LOGGERS ENCROACHING ON THEIR ANCESTRAL LANDS, SAYING THAT THE NATIVES HAD FILED THEIR CASE 25 YEARS TOO LATE.

THE JUDGE RULED THAT THE TRIBAL MEMBERS SHOULD HAVE CONTESTED STATE LEGISLATION WHICH QUASHED THEIR NATIVE RIGHTS WITHIN THREE YEARS AFTER 1958, WHEN THE EXTINGUISHMENT OF NATIVES CUSTOMARY RIGHTS ACT WAS PASSED.

THE NATIVES HAVE APPEALED THE DECISION TO THE SUPREME COURT. DURING THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS TRIBAL MEMBERS HAVE BEEN FIGHTING A LOSING BATTLE AGAINST TIMBER COMPANIES, WHICH THEY CLAIM HAVE RUINED THEIR LIVELIHOOD BY FLOODING RIVERS, SCARING AWAY GAME AND DESTROYING MEDICINAL PLANTS THROUGH INDISCRIMINATE LOGGING.

THE ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP APPEALED TO THE SARAWAK POLICE TO RELEASE THE TRIBESMEN AND ASKED THE GOVERNMENT TO RECOGNIZE NATIVE RIGHTS OVER ANCESTRAL LANDS.

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COLOMBO (AUG. 3) KYODO - TWENTY TAMIL REBELS WERE KILLED IN SEPARATE INCIDENTS BY GOVERNMENT FORCES IN NORTHEASTERN SRI LANKA IN THE 24 HOURS ENDING NOON FRIDAY, A MILITARY OFFICIAL SAID HERE.

ONE MEMBER OF THE LIBERATION TIGERS OF TAMIL EELAM (LTTE) REBEL GROUP WAS KILLED IN EASTERN AMPARA, EIGHT IN BATTICALOA, NINE, INCLUDING A LOCAL LEADER, IN TRINCOMALEE DISTRICT, AND TWO IN NORTHERN PARANTHAN, THE OFFICIAL SAID.

IN OTHER DEVELOPMENTS, TWO MOSLEM CIVILIANS WERE KILLED BY REBELS IN EASTERN AMPARA, THE OFFICIAL ADDED.

THE LTTE HAD BEEN ENGAGED IN PEACE TALKS WITH THE GOVERNMENT SINCE APRIL 1989 BUT LAUNCHED AN OFFENSIVE AGAINST GOVERNMENT FORCES JUNE 11.

AN ESTIMATED 2,000 PERSONS, INCLUDING SECURITY FORCE PERSONNEL, CIVILIANS AND LTTE MILITANTS HAVE BEEN KILLED SINCE THE OFFENSIVE BEGAN.

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TOKYO (AUG. 3) KYODO - ASCII INC., A JAPANESE COMPUTER SOFTWARE MAKER, SAID FRIDAY THAT IT HAS BOUGHT THE TOKYO SUBSIDIARY OF U.S. FILM MAKING AND DISTRIBUTION COMPANY VESTRON INC.

THE 8.6 MILLION-DOLLAR (ABOUT 1.3 BILLION YEN) PURCHASE OF THE SUBSIDIARY, VESTRON PICTURES JAPAN INC., IS AIMED AT EXPANDING ASCII'S BUSINESS INTO AUDIO-VISUAL SOFTWARE PRODUCTIONS, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE NEWLY-PURCHASED FIRM HAS DSTRIBUTION RIGHTS TO SOME 600 MOVIES. ITS NAME WILBE CHANGED TO ASCII VESTRON PCTURES JAPAN INC., AND WIL CONTINUE IN THE FILM DISTRIUTION BUSINESS.

AIMG AT AN ANNUAL SALES OF 2 LLION YEN IN THE FIRST YEAR, THE COMPANY WILL ALSO SELBROADCASTING RIGHTS TO FILMS OR VIDEOTAPE MAKERS AND TV STATIONS, THE OFFICIALS ADDEM

THE U.S. PARENIS A MEDUIM-SIZED FILM MAKER, BUT SOLD THE JAPANESE SUBSIDIARY AFTER FAILING IN ITS ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH A CHAIN OF VIDEO RENTAL SHOPS IN THE U.S.

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TOKYO (AUG. 3) KYODO - THE GOVERNMENT PLANS TO TAKE A WIDE RANGE OF MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT ''KEIRETSU,'' OR INTERLOCKING RELATIONS BETWEEN COMPANIES, DO NOT GIVE RISE TO ANTICOMPETITIVE PRACTICES, CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY MISOJI SAKAMOTO SAID FRIDAY.

SAKAMOTO, THE CHIEF GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN, ISSUED A STATEMENT CALLING FOR THE ''UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION'' OF COMPANIES CONCERNED.

THE STATEMENT SAID THERE ARE ''CERTAIN ASPECTS OF ECONOMIC RATIONALITY'' IN KEIRETSU RELATIONSHIPS, SUCH AS ENCOURAGING EFFICIENT BUSINESS ACTIVITIES THROUGH STABLE TRANSACTIONS AND ENCOURAGING LONG-TERM CORPORATE MANAGEMENT.

BUT IT SAID THE GOVERNMENT WILL BE CONCERNED IF THEY PROMOTE PREFERENTIAL GROUP TRADE AND GIVE RISE TO ANTICOMPETITIVE BUSINESS PRACTICES.

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TOKYO (AUG. 3) KYODO - THE TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY DECIDED FRIDAY TO PERMIT FOREIGNERS TO TRADE AND HOLD SHARES IN THREE MAJOR JAPANESE RAILWAY COMPANIES AFTER THEIR STOCKS ARE LISTED ON DOMESTIC EXCHANGES IN THE FALL OF 1991, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE DECISION WAS BASED ON THE MINISTRY'S JUDGMENT THAT THE CURRENT SLUGGISH PRICE OF NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPPHONE CORP. (NTT) STOCKS IS DUE PARTLY TO A BAN ON FOREIGNERS HOLDING SHARES IN THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS GIANT.

A REQUEST FROM THE UNITED STATES AND OTHER COUNTRIES THAT JAPANESE STOCK MARKETS BE OPENED FURTHER TO FOREIGN INVESTORS WAS ALSO A FACTOR, THEY SAID.

THE THREE RAILWAYS ARE EAST JAPAN RAILWAY CO., CENTRAL JAPAN RAILWAY CO. AND WEST JAPAN RAILWAY CO., WHOSE 8.24 MILLION ISSUED SHARES ARE ALL HELD BY THE GOVERNMENT. THEY ARE AMONG SIX MAJOR SPIONOFFS OF THE DEFUNCT JAPANESE NATIONAL RAILWAYS WHICH WAS PRIVATIZED IN APRIL 1987. NTT WAS ALSO PRIVATIZED IN APRIL 1985.

THE GOVERNMENT PLANS TO OFFER ALL OF THE SHARES, WITH A PAR VALUE OF 50,000 YEN EACH, FOR SALE TO THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

HOWEVER, 30 TO 40 PERCENT OF THE SHARES WILL BE ALLOTTED TO MAJOR JAPANESE ENTERPRISES SUCH AS BANKS AND INSURANCE FIRMS, IN VIEW OF THE PUBLIC NATURE OF THE RAILWAY BUSINESS. HOWEVER, THE BALANCE WILL BE OFFERED FOR SALE TO GENERAL INVESTORS, BOTH JAPANESE AND FOREIGN.

AFTER THE STOCKS ARE LISTED ON DOMESTIC EXCHANGES, THE MINISTRY INTENDS TO LIFT ITS CURRENT RESTRICTIONS ON THEIR EXECUTIVE PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT.

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TOKYO (AUG. 3) KYODO - THE TOKYO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY DECIDED FRIDAY TO SEND A 27-MEMBER MISSION TO THE UNITED STATES FROM NOVEMBER 26 TO DECEMBER 7 TO HELP IMPROVE JAPAN-U.S. ECONOMIC RELATIONS THROUGH PRIVATE-LEVEL DISCUSSIONS.

THE CHAMBER LEADERS WILL MEET WITH THEIR COUNTERPARTS IN LOS ANGELES, CHICAGO AND NEW YORK. THEY WILL ALSO MEET PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH AND HIS ECONOMIC CABINET MINISTERS IN WASHINGTON, CHAMBER OFFICIALS SAID.

THE MISSION, INCLUDING HEADS OF THE OSAKA, NAGOYA AND KOBE CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, WILL BE LED BY ROKURO ISHIKAWA, PRESIDENT OF BOTH THE JAPAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY AND THE TOKYO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 3) MCS-- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The LABOR DEPARTMENT reports this morning that unemployment soared 0.3% to 5.5% in July. That's the highest U.S. jobless rate in two years. Non-farm jobs fell 219,000, or 57,000 not counting Census layoffs. The

consensus expectation had been for a 0.1 percentage point increase to 5.3%. Non-farm payrolls were expected to have increased 5,300, or 130,000 if the impact of Census worker layoffs was excluded. Bond prices are rising on the unemployment news and the dollar is easing. ... The Nikkei closes down 729.42. ... By midday, the FT 100 was up 1.6.

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reported yesterday that factory orders fell 1.5% from May to June. ... ALLIANZ AG of West Germany, Europe's largest insurance company, says it will acquire FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE for $3.3 billion. ... BEAR, STEARNS CO. says fourth-quarter earnings tumbled 30% from the same quarter last year. ... DELTA AIR LINES and the AIR LINE PILOTS ASSOCIATION agree on a three-year contract. ... A federal judge rules that striking EASTERN AIRLINES pilots have the right to replace trainees hired during the carrier's rebuilding. ... R.H. MACY & CO. says it has sold a 1% stake in the company for a price that values its overall equity at $1.5 billion -- about four times what investors paid when the company went private four years ago.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

UNITED TECHNOLOGIES' PRATT & WHITNEY unit says it will cut about 4,000 jobs over the next three years. ... U.S. TRADE REPRESENTATIVE CARLA HILLS says there is only a "50.1%" chance that ongoing trade talks will end with an agreement that expands global free-trade rules.

FROM THE BEARS:

"What we've been seeing is some technical deterioration within the marketplace," says KENNETH SPENCE of SALOMON BROTHERS. He is worried by the market's lack of breadth, as evidenced by the 8-point decline in the NASDAQ index. "We're still expecting the market is going to trade lower, probably down to the 200-day moving average on the Dow," says Spence. He says short-term interest rates may decline, but long-term rates will remain steady. Spence predicts a 10% correction over the next six to eight weeks, but says the market has good support around 2700-2750. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/2)

"The market had been showing signs of a correction, so Thursday's losses were compounded by Iraq," says WALTER LOICK, president of LBS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. "We probably still have more of a move to the downside. But if the Dow falls below 2820 [support level] it could go a lot farther south." ("USA Today", 8/3)

SURESH BHIRUD of OPPENHEIMER & CO., says a likely rise in oil prices will hit stocks as "a prolonged, painful Chinese torture" in which share prices go down gradually rather than plunging and then rebounding quickly. "The risk here is that the price of oil can go up much higher than people are willing to believe," he says. (WSJ, 8/3)

STOCK MARKET:

Uncertainty will set the market back again today, according to PAINEWEBBER's investment strategist MARY FARRELL, who says nervousness could be heightened because of events which might happen in the Mideast over the weekend. But Farrell isn't completely pessimistic. "As difficult as this situation is, it is contained to a great extent. And still you're looking at the opening of Eastern Europe, explosive growth in the Pacific Basin, U.S. consumer products companies selling abroad and also industrial companies benefiting from Eastern Europe." (CNBC "World Business", 8/3)

"We were in a nervous market before and now we've had something [the Mideast flare-up] that obviously caught a lot of people by surprise," says THOMAS CALLAHAN of YAMAICHI INTERNATIONAL. (WSJ, 8/3)

"It does appear that oil prices are going to be higher," says MITCHELL MEISLER of SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. "Obviously, we've set the stage for some pretty choppy markets." ("The Washington Post", 8/3)

Yesterday's slide is "a continuation of the trend we've been seeing here since the market peaked at the 3000 level several weeks ago," says EUGENE PERONI JR., director of technical research at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT. He says the market is "digesting" the gains it has seen since April. He thinks the market will trend slightly lower, but he does not see "any severe breakdown." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/2)

SHEARSON LEHMAN's ELIOT FRIED says yesterday's market decline was "just a total reaction to Iraq" -- an overreaction, at that. GREG DRAHUSCHAK of BUTCHER & SINGER says the Mideast problems are not through affecting the market. "It's certainly not Armageddon, but I suspect a second shoe will drop on this thing," says Drahuschak. ("USA Today", 8/3)

"I was very encouraged by the market action today," says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA of GRUNTAL & CO. "It responded as you would expect, but not as dramatically as some thought it might." He says the market has been overvalued, and needed a correction. (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 8/2)

"It's been a whirlwind for most of the day," says RON DORAN, director of institutional trading at C.L. KING & ASSOCIATES. Iraq's invasion of Kuwait triggered a surge in oil prices, reviving fears of inflation and sparking sharp drops in U.S. share prices in the heaviest trading of the year. Doran continued, "People were trying to understand the net effects and ramifications of the Middle Eastern problem." (Reuters, 8/2)

"They can talk about Iraq and Kuwait, but it merely masks the problems at hand -- the threat of a recession, high interest rates, inflation and the

federal budget deficit," says THOMAS WALSH of NIKKO SECURITIES. "Once the situation in Kuwait clears, you still have those basic underlying economic problems." ("USA Today", 8/3)

STOCK TIPS:

Serious technical deterioration took place while all eyes were on Dow 3000 says STAN WEINSTEIN in the "Professional Tape Reader." "The overwhelming majority of stocks have seen their highs for this cycle," says Weinstein who advises investors to pay closer attention to market sectors and individual stocks rather than the Dow. His favorite sectors: aluminum, drugs and oil-well equipment. Avoid: airlines, broadcasting and toys. (CNBC "World Business", 8/3)

GM and FORD are the favorite stocks of JACK KIRNAN, auto analyst for KIDDER PEABODY. "We think there's a lot of diversity in those companies, balance sheet strength and cash flow strength that will reward investors on a longer term time frame." EATON is a good play on the re-industrialization of America, says Kirnan. He thinks SNAP- ON TOOLS will benefit from the aging of the U.S. auto fleet as well as from the emerging European auto aftermarket. (CNN "Business Day", 8/3)

"The move in oil stocks ... creates a profit-taking opportunity," says GEORGE GASPAR of ROBERT W. BAIRD & CO. He sees crude prices dropping back to $21 a barrel later this summer, then slowly moving as high as $25 a barrel by fall or winter. MICHAEL MAYER of WERTHEIM SCHRODER sees ATLANTIC RICHFIELD and TEXACO as good buys in the oils. Gaspar likes MARATHON, and WILLIAM BROWN of KIDDER PEABODY considers ROYAL DUTCH/SHELL the industry leader. ("USA Today", 8/3)

A number of analysts are recommending food stocks to investors. "The financial characteristics of most of these companies are significantly better than the financial characteristics of most of the market in general " says ROGER SPENCER of PAINE WEBBER. But RONALD MORROW of SMITH BARNEY says "you have to be real, real persnickety" about which stocks to buy. "We still see a lot of opportunities to make money in the group, but you don't necessarily buy them all," says JOHN McMILLIN of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. GENERAL MILLS is a near universal favorite. Others widely recommended include GERBER, CONAGRA INC. and RALSTON PURINA. (NYT, 8/3)

MAL LOWENTHAL of SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON says the best way for investors to play it safe in the current environment is to stay out of the stock market and buy either government bonds or corporate bonds with at least a double-A rating. For those interested in stocks, however, his favorite buys are GLAXO HOLDINGS and SAMNA CORP. His top short sales are McDONNELL DOUGLAS, L.A. GEAR, BAYBANKS, MNC FINANCIAL and C.R. BARD. ("USA Today", 8/3)

KENNETH SPENCE of SALOMON BROTHERS says he would not make investments right now, "but I would watch very closely things like the consumer non-cyclical stocks, such as GILLETTE and PHILIP MORRIS. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/2)

"I question the quality of the earnings of SIERRA ON-LINE INC.," says SETH FEINSTEIN of NEWHARD COOK/ADVEST. He says the company has capitalized much of its R&D costs, and will have to begin paying for them in the second half. "I like the company long-term, but it's going to be tough for them and the industry this year," says Feinstein, who has lowered his earnings estimates from $1.65 to $1.50. ("Investor's Daily", 8/3)

GRUNTAL & CO. recommends stock in FURON CO., a maker of tubing, seals, ducts and other specialized products sold to auto, aircraft and other industrial companies. The brokerage says earnings should grow 12% to 14% annually over the next few years. It notes the company's products are sold to a wide range of industries, which

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"Sentiment is still bearish on the dollar," says CHRISTIANCE MANDELL of SECURITY PACIFIC MERCHANT BANK. "People still basically want to be short dollars and were anxious to get rid of them quickly even after they bought them" following the invasion. ("Investor's Daily", 8/3)

BASSAM SNAIJE of BSI explains the overnight rally in the dollar as "a panic reaction, a run for 'quality' and power, supposedly." He says gold is a better safe haven than the greenback. "The dollar is in trouble, the United States economy is in trouble, and that will be reflected in the prices as soon as the political and military crises" are resolved, according to Snaije. He predicts new lows for the dollar and a decline in interest rates. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/2)

"You bought the dollar on the invasion [of Kuwait], but when it appeared that what was going to happen next was not electric, you sold the dollar," says RICHARD WITTEN of GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. (NYT, 8/3)

The dollar came off it's highs yesterday after the market began thinking Iraq would shortly withdraw from Kuwait, says TOM BENFER of the BANK OF MONTREAL. "But now we're not so sure that's going to happen ... As long as those tensions are there, I'm not so sure how low the dollar will go."

(FNN "World Business Update", 8/2)

Analysts say the underlying market sentiment remained against the dollar because of growing signs of a weakening U.S. economy that could lead to lower interest rates. "Today's recovery in currency futures was an illustration of how rooted the bearishness against the dollar has gotten," says MARC CHANDLER, a futures analyst at MMS INTERNATIONAL. (Reuters, 8/2)

"You have a situation where people flock to the dollar and flock to gold simply because they're stable in times of uncertainty," says PETER REDLING of GEORGETOWN FUTURES. THOMAS WALSH, vice president of equity trading for NIKKO SECURITIES, agrees, noting the energy sector also is firming in response to events in the Middle East. "The only positive that comes out of this, if it a positive, in respect to the stock market, is that all of these energy issues are very, very strong." (CNBC "Business View", 8/2)

Rising oil prices will delay Fed easing, says DAVID JONES, chief economist at AUBREY G. LANSTON, who sees the Fed caught between a slowing economy and the threat of inflation accelerated by oil price hikes. "I think they have to ease ... but rates are not going to come down as fast as they should to help keep this economy out of recession." Jones believes there's a better than even chance the U.S. will slip into a recession early in 1991. (CNN "Business Morning", 8/3)

"It is unlikely that the Fed is about to lower interest rates, even if the current economic situation increases the chances for a recession," says ROBERT BRUSCA of NIKKO SECURITIES.. "This is what bothered many bond investors [yesterday]." (NYT, 8/3)

"The Iraqi move has clearly confused the developing outlook regarding interest rates," says ERIC MILLER of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE. "It adds an extra dampener to the economy because higher [oil prices] will swell the inflation rate and cut into disposable income." Miller believes that may hurt American corporations' profits as well. ("Investor's Daily", 8/3)

"Interestingly enough," the Iraqi invasion does not rule out the possibility of a further Fed easing, according to JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA of GRUNTAL & CO. "The Fed could do little to control oil prices," explains Battipaglia. "What they could do, of course, is push us into a dramatic recession so demand falls, but I don't think they want that." He says FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN may ease because of political pressure. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/2)

"The big questions in the bond market when we went home Wednesday were how much higher prices would go and whether the delay over the federal budget

was preventing the Fed from slashing interest rates," says JONAHAN GREENSPAN, chief trader at AEGIS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT CORP. "We woke up to a cold inflation shower, with Treasury bond prices already crumbling overseas on news of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait." (NYT, 8/3)

"Fundamentally, [the Kuwait invasion] is not good for bonds, it's not good for corporate earnings and therefore, it's not good for stocks," says STEVEN EINHORN of GOLDMAN, SACHS. (WSJ, 8/3)

THE ECONOMY:

"We've been expecting something of a slowdown [in the economy] and then a rebound," says MICHAEL BOSKIN, chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers. "Because of the backup in interest rates and some other factors we now expect that slowdown to stretch out a little longer and the rebound to be a little more gradual and occur a little later." Boskin predicts real GNP growth of 2,2% this year and 2.9% in 1991 and unemployment of 5.4% this year and 5.6% in 1991. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/2)

Higher oil prices would be "distasteful," but not crippling, according to SUNG WON SOHN, chief economist at NORWEST BANK. "From an economic point of view, in comparison to 1973 or 1979, this a mouse compared to an elephant." ("Investor's Daily", 8/3)

"We're in a precarious position, on the edge of a recession," says THOMAS RUNIEWICZ, an economist with the WEFA GROUP in Bala-Cynwyd, Pa. "With the problems in the Middle East and the threat of higher oil prices, that may be just enough to push us over." (NYT, 8/3)

"This is an economy walking on a precipice," says ROBERT DEDRICK, chief economist at NORTHERN TRUST CO. "The last thing it needs is a stiff wind that could push it over. A big jump in oil prices could be that stiff wind." ("Investor's Daily", 8/3)

"The economy was teetering on a cliff anyway," says New York investor MICHAEL HARKINS. "This [the Kuwait invasion] could push it over." JOHN CONNOLLY of DEAN WITTER recommended yesterday that clients more 20% of their investment portfolios into cash. "This not a passing," he says. "This not something that is going to go away this afternoon. It is a basic change in oil politics in the Middle East." (WSJ, 8/3)

"If Iraq really wants the price to stay high and cuts Kuwait's production, will the Saudis make up that shortfall?" asks PETER CANELO of BEAR, STEARNS & CO. "We believe the Saudis will increase production to achieve stability." (NYT, 8/3)

"Not since the Iranian revolution of 1979 have we seen a geopolitical event that threatens world oil production and prices as much as this,"

says PETER GIGNOUX of LEHMAN BROTHERS in London. "If not recession, this certainly carries the theat of stagflation where oil prices rise and exacerbates inflation and at the same time reduces the economic growth rate," says NORMAN ROBERTSON of MELLON BANK CORP. "It's a very vicious brew here." (WSJ, 8/3)

"I think you have to take higher oil prices as a given," explains ROBERT BRUSCA, chief economist of NIKKO SECURITIES, "because you've got this hostility that's underpining the oil prices -- you have Iraq in charge of it own production as well as that of Kuwait's and most likely affecting the production of these other countries too." HENRY SCHULER, of the CENTER FOR STRATEGIC & INTERNATIONAL STUDIES puts a number on the expected oil price increase, "We can expect to see [oil] prices 40% to 50% higher than they have been in recent months." WILLIAM SULLIVAN of DEAN WITTER says: "Any substantial and sustained boost in energy prices would greatly effect the level of inflation. Any boost in energy could easily get the core rate of inflation up to 6% or 6 1/2% in quick order." (CNBC "Business View", 8/2)

"I think we may already be in a recession even though people are afraid to call it one," says ANTHONY WOODRUFF of KIDDER PEABODY. "All the economic statistics point to that." (WSJ, 8/3)

BRIAN KEYSER of FIRST FIDELITY BANCORP. thinks the economy will struggle for the next several months. "We'll be in the same environment we've been in for the last year or year and a half," predicts Keyser. (WSJ, 8/3)

Help-wanted advertising was down again in June, slipping to its lowest level since the mid-1980s, but the CONFERENCE BOARD predicts higher employment as a result of a slight jump in growth. "I'm not looking for a huge bounce back, but rather a subdued one," says Conference Board economist KEN GOLDSTEIN. (WSJ, 8/3)

IN WASHINGTON:

The SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION says at least $500 million in government-backed loans to small business are in liquidation and may never be repaid. That's five times more than a decade ago. "It's obvious [the program] has been totally mismanaged over the years," says SEN. TOM HARKIN (D. - Iowa.) ("USA Today", 8/3)

At hearings on Capitol Hill yesterday, MICHAEL BOSKIN, chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers., told REP. LEE HAMILTON (D. - Ind.) that President Bush had included $7 billion in the 1990 budget to run the RESOLUTION TRUST CORP. "What is your estimate of what it's going to take now?" asked Hamilton. "For fiscal year 1991, we have $62

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#90215p1877 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW CUMBERLAND, PA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of CCNB Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: CCNC) today declared a third quarter cash dividend of $.20 per share of common.

This is equal to the dividend paid for the second quarter of this year. The third quarter $.20 dividend compares favorably to the $.18 and the $.14 paid for the third quarters of 1989 and 1988, respectively.

Net income for the first six months ending June 30, 1990, was $7,014,000. This reflects a 7.58 percent increase over the figure reported on the same date last year.

CCNB Corp. is a multi-bank and thrift holding company based in New Cumberland, and is the parent company of CCNB Bank, the Gettysburg National Bank and Parent Federal Savings Bank, which operate 41 financial service locations in six central Pennsylvania counties.

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#90215p1899 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
DENVER (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd. (AMEX: TPN) elected Jean-Pierre Halbron and Jean-Paul Vettier as directors of the company at the board of directors meeting held in Paris today, the company announced.

Halbron is senior vice president and chief financial officer of Total Compagnie Francaise des Petroles, and Vettier is senior vice president, refining and marketing, of Total Compagnie Francaise des Petroles.

Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd. is a petroleum company with refining and marketing operations in the central United States and exploration and production in Canada. Its shares are listed on the American, Toronto, Montreal and Pacific stock exchanges. Total Compagnie Francaise des Petroles owns approximately 52 percent of the voting shares of Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd.

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COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Hecla Mining Co. (NYSE, PSE: HL) announced today it has acquired a majority interest in Acadia Mineral Ventures Limited (Toronto: ALV) of Toronto in a transaction recently

approved by a solid majority of Acadia shareholders. As a result of the transaction, Hecla holds 52.5 percent of Acadia's common stock and is entitled to majority representation on the Acadia board of directors. It is anticipated that Arthur Brown, Hecla chairman and chief executive officer, who was previously elected to the Acadia board of directors, will become chairman of Acadia at its August board meeting.

Hecla paid $600,000 (Canadian) in cash and turned over its interest in nine Canadian properties to Acadia in exchange for 11.5 million shares of Acadia common stock. The properties transferred to Acadia are: Bachelor Lake, near Desmaraisville, Quebec; North Gold Zone, in the Abitibi region of Quebec; MacKenzie Joint Venture, near Contwoyto Lake, Northwest Territories; Strange Lake, 250 km from Schefferville, Quebec; Mispec Cape Spencer and Cuvier Cape Spencer, both located near Cape Spencer, New Brunswick; Red Bird, near Salmo, British Columbia; Roddickton Zinc, near Roddickton, Newfoundland; and Union Mine, north of Grand Forks, British Columbia.

Under the agreement, Hecla will provide Acadia with another $600,000 in equity financing within six months of closing the transaction and, subject to determination of Acadia's board of directors, up to an additional $4 million in equity financing for exploration over the next two years. Hecla has also agreed to make $900,000 in cash payments to Acadia over the period ended Sept. 15, 1991, with respect to the Mooseland gold property in Nova Scotia. These payments were previously optional.

Hecla Mining Co., headquartered in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, is a leading domestic producer of newly mined silver and gold, and a supplier of premium ball clay, kaolin and specialty aggregates. The company has operations and projects under development in 12 states and three Canadian provinces.

Acadia Mineral Ventures Limited was established as a private company in 1981 and has been listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange since 1986.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Exar Corp. (NASDAQ: EXAR) today reported net sales for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $24,988,000, a 37 percent increase from the $18,188,000 recorded during the first quarter a year ago. The company recorded an after-tax profit of $1,596,000 during the quarter ($0.28 per share) compared to $1,453,000 ($0.24 per share) during the like period in the previous year.

The increase in sales during the first quarter ended June 30, 1990,

reflects a 61 percent increase in sales to unaffiliated customers. Sales of wafer services to Rohm Co. Ltd. remained relatively constant. The company experienced increased sales in most product lines during the quarter. In particular, a significant increase in sales of standard products resulted from sales and marketing efforts in Japan through Exar's wholly-owned subsidiary, Exar Japan Corp. Exar's consumer oriented standard products include disk drives and specialty audio components sold to major Japanese electronic companies.

Founded in 1971, Exar Corp. designs, manufactures and markets mixed signal (linear, digital and EEPROM) application specific integrated products (ASICs) for the telecommunications, data communications, computer peripheral, automotive and industrial markets.

EXAR CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Sales	$24,988	$18,188
Income from operations	1,649	1,558
Net income	1,596	1,453
Net income per common and common equivalent share:		
Primary	$ 0.28	$ 0.24
Fully diluted	0.28	0.20

CONTACT: Ronald W. Guire of Exar, 408-434-6400

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#90215p1906 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTVILLE, N.J. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Stephen C. Marcus, chairman of Mars Graphic Services Inc. (AMEX: WMD) announced today that the board of directors of Mars had declared a 10 percent stock dividend on shares of common stock payable on Sept. 17, 1990, to all shareholders of record on Aug. 24.

Mars and its subsidiary DiMark occupy a prominent position in the direct-response industry. The combination of Mars and DiMark created one of the few vertically integrated direct-response marketing organizations in the country. The firm provides a comprehensive range of services including printing, product development, creative, data base marketing, production and administration to financial services, publishing and consumer products companies. Mars is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol WMD. The company's registered trademark "We

Make Deadlines" is reflective of its commitment to timeliness and service.

CONTACT: Stephen C. Marcus, chairman, or Lesley A. Bachman, secretary and treasurer of Mars Graphic Services Inc., 609-456-8666

-30- 1253

#90215p1907 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ERIE, PA. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Zurn Industries Inc. (NYSE: ZRN) today declared continuation of the $.19 per share quarterly dividend on the company's $.50 par value common stock payable Oct. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 14, 1990.

A regular quarterly dividend of $.25 per share on its $1.00 cumulative convertible preferred stock also was declared, payable Oct. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Steve Adams of Zurn Industries, 814-452-2111

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#90215p1908 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ZANESVILLE, OHIO (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - William T. McConnell, president and chief executive officer of Park National Corporation of Newark, Ohio ("Park"), and William A. Phillips, chairman and chief executive officer of Mutual Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: MFBZ), A Stock Corporation, of Zanesville, Ohio ("Mutual Federal"), have announced that approval has been received from all regulatory agencies for the merger of the two organizations. In order to complete the merger, a favorable vote from shareholders of Park and Mutual Federal is required.

The merger and related matters will be voted upon at Mutual Federal's annual meeting, scheduled for Aug. 28. Park's shareholders will vote on the merger and related matters at a special meeting to be held on Aug. 27.

In the merger, Mutual Federal shareholders will receive an aggregate of 180,000 shares of Park stock or .2086 of a Park share for each share of Mutual Federal common stock. Although no assurance can be given, it is anticipated that Park's stock will be listed on the NASDAQ system upon completion of the merger. Presently, there is no active market in Park's stock but Park's management is aware of a few recent sales at $58.50 per share.

Phillips said, "Mutual Federal will continue to operate under its present name with its present board of directors and management as a subsidiary of Park. The merger will allow us to expand the products and services we offer to our customers in all the communities we serve."

Park National Corporation is a multi-bank holding company with assets totalling $806 million as of March 31, 1990. Park's subsidiary banks are headquartered in Licking, Fairfield and Richland counties in Ohio. Mutual Federal, with assets of $300 million on March 31, 1990 is headquartered in Muskingum County and operates 10 branches in a six-county area.

CONTACT: James E. Bee, senior vice president-marketing for Mutual Federal Savings Bank, 614-455-7288

-30- 2162

#90215p1913 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPOKANE, WASH. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Inland Gold and Silver Corp. (NASDAQ: INGS) has recently retained Dr. Ralph J. Roberts and Dr. Raul J. Madrid of Conquistador Gold Ltd. to evaluate their Toiyabe project in the Bald Mountain Window of the northern Toiyabe Range, the company said today. This project comprises a 50-square-mile area within which Inland's producing Toiyabe mine is situated.

Roberts and Madrid find that the Toiyabe property has an excellent potential for the discovery of additional gold reserves to augment those currently delineated by Inland's mining staff. These potential reserves may occur in step-out zones adjacent to existing pits, in new shallow target areas, and in major deep zones. Gold bearing systems are present over much of the 5- to 6-km wide zone across the Toiyabe property, a width similar to that of the Carlin gold belt.

Several factors enter in these assessments. These include the geologic setting of the property which includes mineralization of both upper and lower plates of the Roberts Mountains thrust; the occurrence of zones of intrusives along the gold belt within which the property occurs; and the intensity and breadth of mineralization found within the property. Roberts and Madrid find that the geologic setting and the types of mineralization present on the Toiyabe property are similar to those found in gold deposits along the Carlin belt and in sedimentary-rock-hosted gold deposits along the Battle Mountain gold belt.

Gold-related mineralization occurs over much of the property, but 80-90 percent remains unexplored. Inland has an excellent property position that provides a large area suitable for continued detailed and grass-roots exploration for gold mineralized zones.

Inland Gold and Silver Corp. has signed a lease agreement giving Inland the exclusive right to explore and develop a 2,160-acre gold property in Nevada.

The Annie Property, comprised of 108 contiguous unpatented mining claims, covers a portion of a major northwest-trending mineralized structural zone which contains FMC Gold Co.'s Paradise Peak Mine (1.29 million ounces of gold) located 4-1/2 miles southeast of the Annie Property, and Kennecott's Denton-Rawhide Mine (1.63 million ounces of gold) located 24 miles northwest of the Annie Property.

Hydrothermally altered volcanic rocks of the favorable Paradise Peak's stratigraphy can be projected under gravel cover into the major northwest-trending structure covered by the Annie claims.

Geologic and geophysical surveys will commence immediately to define the best drill targets on the Annie Property.

CONTACT: Robert W. O'Brien of Inland Gold and Silver, 509-534-5402

-30- 2913

#90215p1916 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Airgas Inc. (NYSE: ARG) today announced the acquisition of Brownwood Welding Supply in Brownwood, Texas, and C & C Welding in Slidell, La.

Both companies are distributors of industrial gases and welding supplies. Combined annual sales are in excess of $1.2 million.

Brownwood Welding Supply will operate as part of Lone Star Airgas. Current management will continue to operate the location.

C & C Welding will be consolidated with an existing Airgas location in Slidell and will operate as part of Gulf States Airgas.

Since April 1, 1990, Airgas has acquired five industrial gas distributors. More than 50 industrial gas distributors have been acquired since March 31 1988, with annual sales of approximately $200 million.

Currently the Airgas distributor network includes more than 230 locations in 29 states and Canada. Airgas Inc. is the largest independent distributor of industrial, medical and specialty gases in the United States.

CONTACT: John P. McNiff of Airgas, 215-687-5253

-30- 1201

#90215p1917 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Food and Drug Administration today said its review of non-prescription drugs to relieve symptoms of

hemorrhoids and other rectal conditions has found 33 active ingredients safe and effective for protecting the skin, reducing swelling, or relieving discomfort, itching and inflammation.

"It should be reassuring to consumers that at least one of these ingredients is present in virtually every major non-prescription rectal product sold in this $150 million industry," said William E. Gilbertson, director of FDA's Division of Over-the-Counter Drug Evaluation.

Today's final rule, however, bans more than 30 other ingredients FDA says have not been proven safe and effective, including boric acid as an antiseptic, lanolin alcohols as a skin protectant, and both cod liver oil and Peruvian balsam as ingredients for treating wounds.

While some products no longer contain these ingredients, those that do include them will have to be reformulated when the regulation becomes effective in 12 months. It was published in today's Federal Register.

FDA said it was not ready to take final action on two ingredients now under review that are expected to take some time to resolve and would have delayed today's ruling. Any products with these ingredients may remain in the marketplace and are not subject to the final rule.

The first concerns the effectiveness of a live yeast cell derivative as a wound-healing agent for relief of hemorrhoidal symptoms. The makers of Preparation H have submitted two clinical studies on the ingredient.

The other issue involves a decision on whether to permit the use of hydrocortisone in combination with other non-prescription ingredients, including the topical anesthetic pramoxine. No non-prescription products with these combinations currently exist, but some manufacturers wish to produce them.

FDA said it would permit rectal products with certain ingredients approved as effective for specific conditions to make such claims on their labels as "for the temporary relief of discomfort," "helps relieve itching" and "temporarily shrinks hemorrhoidal tissue."

Labels will also have to carry warnings specific to certain ingredients. For instance, labels of products with ingredients that temporarily shrink hemorrhoidal tissue will have to state: "Do not use this product if you have heart disease, high blood pressure, thyroid disease, diabetes or difficulty in urination due to enlargement of the prostate gland unless directed by a doctor."

CONTACT: Bonnie Aikman of the Food and Drug Administration, 301-443-3285 or, after hours, 301-986-0697

-30- 2849
#90215p1919 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
(AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) reported today that Unit No. 3 at the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station in York County has returned to service.

PE said the unit began producing electricity for the region's power grid at 10 p.m. last night. It is scheduled to be gradually increased to full power in the next few days.

The unit was shut down on July 27 due to low vacuum in its steam condenser.

During the shutdown, there was a brief release of radioactive gas into the atmosphere. PE said radiation measured for the entire week at the boundary of the plant, including the release during the shutdown, was .0009 millirem (mr), a very small fraction of a chest X-ray, which is about 20 mr.

PE said the cause of loss of vacuum was a valve malfunction in the steam condenser air removal system. During the outage, the valve was repaired and additional maintenance was performed before the unit was returned to service.

Peach Bottom Unit 2 continued to operate at 100 percent power during the Unit 3 outage.

CONTACT: Pat Webster of Philadelphia Electric, 215-841-4127

-30- 1289
#90215p1920 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Leslie's Poolmart has announced that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering an initial public offering of 2,400,000 shares of its common stock.

Of the shares being offered, 1,900,000 are being sold by the company and 500,000 are being sold by selling shareholders. The offering is expected to be priced between $9.00 and $10.50 per share. The managing underwriters for this offering are Montgomery Securities and Robertson, Stephens & Company.

The company intends to use the net proceeds from the sale of company shares to repay certain outstanding long-term indebtedness.

Leslie's Poolmart is a national specialty retailer of swimming pool supplies and related products, including pool chemicals, equipment and

parts. The company markets its products under the trade name Leslie's Swimming Pool Supplies through 85 retail stores in 20 states and through mail order catalogues.

A preliminary prospectus relating to the offering may be obtained from Montgomery Securities, 600 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, CA 94111, or Robertson, Stephens & Company, One Embarcadero Center, Suite 3100, San Francisco, CA 94111.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

CONTACT: Brian McDermott, president of Leslie's Poolmart, 818-993-4212

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#90215p1922 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - R. Howard Stanworth, chairman and chief executive officer of Pearle, Inc., Dallas, announced today that Pearle has completed the sale of its Texas State Optical subsidiary (announced on June 13, 1990) to a company formed and led by Merrill Lynch Interfunding, Inc., and Lord Capital Corporation, both of New York.

Terms of the transaction are not being disclosed. Texas State Optical operates or franchises approximately 243 stores in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Oklahoma, and maintains a distribution center and laboratory in Beaumont, Texas.

According to Stanworth: "The sale of Texas Optical allows Pearle to focus, undistracted, on adding value to the Pearle brand and expanding in the international marketplace."

Pearle is the largest optical retailer in the world and will continue to operate or franchise over 1,100 stores in the United States, Canada, the Netherlands, Belgium, Japan, and West Germany. Pearle recently entered into the joint venture in Taiwan and anticipates opening stores in Taipei by the end of this year.

Pearle forms part of the retailing and property sector of Grand Metropolitan, PLC, London, an international leader in the drinks, food and retailing industries. GrandMet's other interests in the United States include Pillsbury, Burger King, Heublein, Haagen-Dazs and Alpo.

CONTACT: Susan Clay of Pearle, 214-241-3381; or Anne Goodwin of Golin/Harris Communications, 312-836-7294, for Pearle.

-30- 1642

#90215p1925 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Conquest Exploration Company (AMEX: CQX) announced today that H. Robert Hirsch, chairman, president and chief executive officer of the company, and Edward T. Story Jr., vice chairman and chief financial officer of the company had resigned as officers and directors of the company. The company also announced that Randal McDonald had been elected as interim president and chief executive officer of the company and that Roger Cagle had been elected as vice president-finance of the company.

McDonald is the former president and chief executive officer of Pennzoil Company and prior thereto was the chief financial officer of Arthur Andersen Co.

Cagle had been with Conquest since 1981 and most recently served as assistant director of accounting and controller for the company.

Neil Griffin, chairman of the board of directors of the company stated that:

"The company acknowledges with appreciation the contributions of Hirsch and Story to the company and wishes them well in their future endeavors. The company is also pleased that McDonald has joined the company as its acting president and chief executive officer, and we believe McDonald can ably assist the board in continuing to seek to maximize value for our shareholders."

CONTACT: Z.S. Kobiashvili of Conquest Exploration Company, 713-440-2000

-30- 1545

#90215p1928 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LITTLE ROCK, ARK. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - ALLTEL Corporation (NYSE: AT) announced today that it has purchased 19.8 percent interest in the Chillicothe Telephone Company from the Cleveland Foundation for $5,275,000.

Chillicothe Telephone, based in Chillicothe, Ohio, serves approximately 27,000 telephone lines.

In a related move, Herb McGaughey, president of ALLTEL's Midwest Region telephone operations, has been elected to Chillicothe Telephone's board of directors.

Joe Ford, ALLTEL's president and chief executive officer, said, "Chillicothe Telephone has an excellent reputation as a growth company and quality service provider, and we are proud to have a position in this fine company."

ALLTEL Corporation (AT) provides telephone service to more than 1.1 million customers in 25 states, including 236,600 lines in Ohio. The company also has subsidiaries or investments in companies that provide cellular telephone, long-distance and information communicati communications products and other related services.

CONTACT: Ron Payne, vice president-investor relations of ALLTEL Corp., 501-661-8989

-30- 1302

#90215p1931 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

KENT, WA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Flow International Corporation (NASDAQ: FLOW) announced today record first quarter sales of $10.8 million for the quarter which ended July 31, up $.4 million from the same period a year ago. The company plans to report earnings in early September.

As reported in mid-May, the company's board has engaged Wertheim Schroder & Co. Incorporated to explore alternatives to maximize shareholder value. "We are beginning to talk to potential acquirors," said Y. H. Michael Pao, chairman, president, and CEO of Flow International.

The company also reported that Booz Allen & Hamilton Inc. has recently completed a study on strategic options for Flow Asia Corporation, Flow's subsidiary in Taiwan.

After review of the Booz Allen study, the board of directors has authorized management to continue the strategy established in Flow Asia's business plan. This includes increasing sales efforts in Asia and reducing the emphasis on manufacturing.

Flow International is the world's leader in ultrahigh-pressure wtaerjets for industrial cutting and HydroMilling services.

CONTACT: Y. H. Michael Pao, chairman, or Karen Larsen of Flow International, (206) 872-4900; or Anthony J. Russo or Claudia Mueller of Noonan/Russo Communications, (212) 979-9180, for Flow International.

-30- 1495

#90215p1935 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas-New Mexico Power Company, a

wholly owned subsidiary of TNP Enterprises, Inc. (NYSE: TNP), today announced that the administrative law judge (ALJ) has recommended that the Public Utility Commission of Texas adopt an order which issues a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for Units One and Two of TNP ONE, the Robertson County lignite-fueled electric generating project.

This report represents the culmination of proceedings before the PUCT's hearings division as was directed by the commissioners in December 1989.

The ALJ's recommendation that the commission adopt the findings of her report is based on additional information presented during the 1990 hearings and the information contained in the hearing examiner's report issued by the ALJ in the original 1987 CCN proceeding.

The ALJ's report sets forth a schedule for the parties to respond to the report and the case has been scheduled for consideration by the commissioners at an open meeting on Aug. 29, 1990. At that meeting, final action on the ALJ's report will be determined by the commissioners. Management believes that the PUCT will ultimately reaffirm the certification of the first and second units of TNP ONE.

As previously announced, in April TNP filed with the commission an application for increased rates that included Unit One in rate base and recognizes its effect on the utility's cost of service.

TNP will continue to pursue the appropriate legal and regulatory avenues to resolve these issues. Favorable and timely regulatory treatment with respect to the project is essential to the financial integrity of TNP.

TNP is a public utility engaged in the generation, purchase, transmission, distribution, and sale of electricity wholly within the states of Texas and New Mexico. TNP Enterprises, Inc., is an NYSE listed company with headquarters in Fort Worth.

CONTACT: D. R. Barnard or M. W. Smith of TNP Enterprises, (817) 731-0099.

-30- 2184

#90215p1939 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILFORD, OHIO (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Structural Dynamics Research Corporation (NASDAQ: SDRC) announced today that it has entered into a new three-year employment agreement with Ronald J. Friedsam, SDRC's chairman, president and chief executive officer. Friedsam has served in that capacity since he joined the company in August 1986.

SDRC is a leading international supplier of mechanical computer- aided engineering software and engineering services used by automotive, aerospace and industrial manufacturers for the design, analysis and

testing of sophisticated mechanical products. The company's products and services significantly reduce product development time and cost, and result in superior quality products by enabling customers to optimize product designs prior to production. SDRC employs more than 900 people in 36 offices in 12 countries throughout North America, Europe and the Far East.

CONTACT: Jere Brooks Hunter of SDRC, 513-576-2469

-30- 1148

#90215p1952 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVERPOOL, NY (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Fay's Incorporated (NYSE: FAY) today declared a quarterly cash dividend on the company's common stock of $.05 per share, payable Oct. 12, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990.

Fay's currently operates 183 drug stores in the states of New York and Pennsylvania, together with 25 Wheels Discount Auto Supply stores in the state of New York and 18 Paper Cutter stores in the states of New York and Pennsylvania.

CONTACT: Henry A. Panasci, Jr., chairman of the board of Fay's Incorporated, (315) 451-8000.

-30- 755

#90215p1959 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - First Union National Bank of North Carolina has named Ronald L. Fisher community/urban banking officer.

Fisher, who is currently manager of employee relations for the North Carolina bank, will be responsible for managing First Union's lending efforts in low- and moderate-income communities and directing economic development activities across the state.

"I am delighted to announce this promotion in recognition of Ron Fisher's contributions to our company and his sensitivity to the concerns of all people," said Frank H. Dunn Jr., president of First Union National Bank of North Carolina. "I'm counting on him to build upon our record of service and commitment to all of our communities."

Fisher will replace W. Earl Bardin, First Union's Raleigh-based corporate banking executive and community reinvestment coordinator, who is retiring September 1. Fisher will be based in Charlotte, reporting directly to Dunn.

Fisher joined the Cameron-Brown Company, which is now First Union Mortgage

Corporation, in 1973 as a commercial loan administrator. After holding positions in operations and personnel with the mortgage company, he transferred to the parent company in 1980 as regional personnel manager for First Union.

"I share the concerns of neighborhood and community leaders who say help is needed for the disadvantaged, for small- and minority-owned businesses, and for young families seeking their first home," Fisher said.

"I look forward to working in this position to enhance First Union's impact in the communities we serve."

Fisher is president of the Charlotte advisory board of the Self-Help Credit Union, an organization that assists low-income applicants with loans and other financial services.

He serves on the board of the Family Support Center, an agency providing counselling and treatment for children suffering from physical and sexual abuse; and he is also on the board of "To Life," an organization that helps individuals deal with the death of a family member.

Fisher received a bachelor's degree in business administration from North Carolina Central University in Durham and a master's degree in business administration from the University of Wisconsin at Madison. He is a 1989 graduate of Leadership Charlotte.

First Union National Bank of North Carolina is a principal subsidiary of Charlotte, N.C.-based First Union Corporation (NYSE: FTU FTUpr) and operates 268 offices in more than 140 N.C. communities in 64 of the state's 100 counties.

CONTACT: Jeep Bryant of First Union Corporation, 704-374-2957
or 704-335-0415 (home)

-30- 2843

#90215p1961 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Bindley Western Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: BIND) announced today that David D. Swaim had taken early retirement and as such had resigned his position as senior vice president -- corporate planning and as a director effective Aug. 31, 1990.

Swaim joined the company in 1977 and was elected a director in 1983.

CONTACT: Sue Goebel of Bindley Western Industries, Inc., 317-298-9900

-30- 578

#90215p1963 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Jean Philippe Fragrances, Inc. (NASDAQ: JEAN), announced today that the 1 for 2.5 reverse stock split was approved by its shareholders at the 1990 annual meeting. The reverse split will be effective at 9:00 a.m. on Aug. 3, 1990. Also effective at 9:00 a.m. on Aug. 3, 1990, units will no longer be traded, but the components, the new common stock and the warrants, will be traded and quoted on NASDAQ separately.

CONTACT: Neil Fogel, chief financial officer of Jean Philippe, 212-983-2640

-30- 706

#90215p1967 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
BUFFALO, NY (Aug. 3) PR Newswire - Barrister Information Systems Corporation (AMEX: BIS) announced today that it has signed a contract with Halloran & Sage, a fifty-attorney firm located in Hartford, Conn., for the first installation of its new Advanced Law Firm Management System software.

After years of intense product development, the state-of-the-art software package, based on relational data base technology, currently referred to as ALFMS, will bring a new level of power and sophistication to law firm financial management, while providing a base on which to build as the needs of the law firm grow.

A Barrister client since 1982, Halloran & Sage decided to upgrade its present system in an effort to increase service to its clients while reducing overhead costs.

With the new Barrister(TM) system in place, instead of having timekeepers' "chargeable time" routinely collected and forwarded to the accounting department for entry into the system, individual timekeepers, including attorneys, secretaries, and administrative personnel will be able to enter charges directly.

According to Harold Cort, administrator for the firm, the upgrade of their present Barrister system will dramatically improve the firm's accounting operations.

Based on the anticipated increases in productivity, and improved ability to manage timekeeper profitability, the firm projects a short payback period on the Barrister software investment. Cort further stated that the Barrister ALFMS software will easily accommodate the firm's financial management needs through the 1990s and beyond.

Henry P. Semmelhack, president of Barrister Information Systems Corporation stated, "This contract is an important milestone in the

history of the company. This first installation of the company's ALFMS software, at the law firm of Halloran & Sage, represents the culmination of several years of development on this advanced software product.

"ALFMS is a leadership product, designed to fill a specific void within the UNIX(TM)-based segment of the legal software market, where there are no discernible leaders. This unique software system has been designed as a true 'Law Office Management' system, in contrast to the traditional 'back office' accounting systems so prevalent in law firms today.

"In addition to providing standard accounts payable and general ledger functions, it will also provide marketing and personnel management capabilities. We are convinced that ALFMS is the standard by which other law firm financial systems will be judged."

CONTACT: David L. Stabley of Barrister Information Systems Corporation, (716) 845-5010.

-30- 2867

#90215p1968 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Carlisle Companies Incorporated (NYSE: CSL) announced today a program to acquire all shares of Carlisle common stock held by shareholders owning less than 100 shares as of June 30, 1990. The program will provide "oddlot" shareholders a convenient and inexpensive way to sell shares. The program allows eligible shareholders the opportunity to sell all of their shares without paying any brokerage commissions. The program will also reduce the company's shareholder servicing costs.

The program will be offered from Aug. 3, 1990 through and including Sept. 14, 1990. Shareholders tendering shares on or before Sept. 14, 1990 will be paid an amount equal to the closing price of the stock on the New York Stock Exchange on the date the shares are received by the company.

The company today mailed offering materials to shareholders owning less than 100 shares of Carlisle stock on June 30, 1990. The program is voluntary and no shareholder will be required to participate in the program.

CONTACT: Scott C. Selbach of Carlisle Companies, 315-474-2500, or R. F. Hengen Inc., 212-732-0395, for Carlisle

-30- 1344

#90215p1969 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHAPEL HILL, NC (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Kenan Transport Company (NASDAQ: KTCO) today reported results for the second quarter of 1990.

Revenue for the second quarter of 1990 was $11,505,000, an increase of $274,000 and 2 percent from the second quarter of 1989. Net income was $203,000, a decrease of $362,000 and 64 percent. Earnings per share were $.09 compared to $.24.

Revenue for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $23,651,000, an increase of $646,000 and 3 percent over the first half of 1989. Net income was $801,000, a decrease of $416,000 and 34 percent. Earnings per share were $.34 compared to $.52.

Operating results for the quarter and the first half were affected by adjustments to reserves for accidents and claims that reduced second quarter net income by $480,000. The adjustments reflect the effect of unfavorable developments on estimated costs of workers compensation and accident claims that occurred over the last three years. Workers compensation costs, which tend to require longer settlement times, are being driven higher by rapidly increasing medical costs and the trend toward greater involvement by the legal system in claims settlement. These developments are having a pronounced effect on operating costs of trucking and other labor-intensive industries.

	QUARTER ENDED JUNE 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$11,505,000	$11,231,000
Net Income	$ 203,000	$ 565,000
Earnings Per Share	$ .09	$ .24
	SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30	
	1990	1989
Revenue	$23,651,000	$23,005,000
Net Income	$ 801,000	$ 1,217,000
Earnings Per Share	$ .34	$ .52

CONTACT: William L. Boone, Vice President-Finance, Kenan Transport Company, 919-967-8221.

-30- 2145

#90215p1972 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company's (NYSE: EK) award-winning "Techniques of the Masters" returns with a new expanded series this season. The five programs will profile the top photographers, events and photographic institutions from around the world.

Winner of BusinessTV award for Best Live Broadcast of 1990, "Masters" features a videoconference format that encourages viewers to participate. The new season begins on September 27 with a two-hour program on fashion and fine arts photographer Sheila Metzner.

Following is the schedule for this year's broadcasts.

-- September 27, 7 to 9 p.m. EDT, Sheila Metzner, fashion/fine art photographer
-- October 23/30, Rochester Institute of Technology's "Electronic Still Photography in the Future" -- special broadcast time for both sessions, 2 to 5 p.m.; registration required through Sue Rogers at RIT, 716/475-5077
-- November 8, 1 to 3 p.m. EST, James Balog, outdoor and wildlife photographer, and Jerry Uelsmann, expert on darkroom and printing techniques; updates on Photokina and the newly restored Eastman mansion
-- February 14, 1991, 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. EST, Bettina Rheims, fashion photographer, and a visit to Les Rencontres d'Arles
-- March 14, 7 to 9 p.m. EST, An Evening with the Masters, a presentation of Kodak's traveling commercial photography program "Visions in View" with the participating photographers available in the studio for call-in questions and answers
-- April 18, 1 to 3 p.m. EST, College Photographer of the Year, live from the Journalism School at the University of Missouri-Columbia This season's telecasts will be available on C-Band and KU-Band. Satellite coordinates are included in direct mail materials or are available by calling 1-800-44-KODAK, Ext. 910, one week before the broadcast. In addition, The Learning Channel plans a taped delayed broadcast of each show. Check local cable guide for availability, times, and dates.

There is no charge for receiving any program in this series. Promotional materials are available to universities, colleges, and secondary schools. For further information contact Ken Lassiter, Eastman Kodak Company, 343 State Street, Rochester, NY 14650-0402, 716-724-4650.

CONTACT: Paul C. Allen of Eastman Kodak Company, 716-724-5802.

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#90215p1975 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - John F. Grundhofer, chairman, president, and CEO of First Bank System, Inc. (NYSE: FBS), today announced that Robert H. Sayre will join the company as a senior vice president of FBS and director of human resources, effective Sept. 1.

Sayre, 50, has most recently been associated with the Twin Cities office of the New York-based executive search firm of Russell Reynolds Associates,

Inc., where he held the position of executive director.

Prior to that time he served as senior vice president of human resources for Ecolab, Inc., St. Paul, Minn. Sayre began his business career as personnel director of the central research division of Pfizer, Inc., and in 1976 joined The Pillsbury Company where he served as vice president of personnel and organization planning from 1978 to 1983.

"Rob has extensive experience in working with employees whose corporations are operating in a changing environment as well as a turnaround situation " Grundhofer noted. "Strong human resources support is a critical element for our long-term success."

CONTACT: Chris Mahai of First Bank System, (612) 370-5440.

-30- 1319

#90215p1976 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - National Intergroup Inc. (NII) (NYSE: NII) today reported continuing improvement in operating income from its FoxMeyer Drug Co. subsidiary with a 40 percent increase over the first quarter of its 1990 fiscal year.

However, due to the establishment of estimated reserves associated with the final steps of its restructuring plan, the company reported a net loss of $281.7 million, or $13.01 per common share after preferred dividends, for the period.

NII reported that it has established reserves of $239.5 million to cover anticipated losses on the sale of its Ben Franklin and Permian Corp. subsidiaries, including a write-off of $30.3 million of FoxMeyer goodwill related to the Ben Franklin business. These reserves are based upon estimated net realizable values of the businesses as determined through analyses prepared by the company and independent investment bankers. Included in the reserves are the estimated results of operations through the projected disposition dates as well as related transaction costs. In addition, the company recorded a $26.7 million charge associated with the closing of the Pittsburgh office and a $14.8 million non-recurring charge reflecting the market value of the preferred stock and expenses related to the National Steel transaction. These losses were partially offset by a $12.0 million gain on the sale of the company's information services subsidiary, Genix Enterprises Inc., to MCN Corp., a holding company for Michigan Consolidated Gas Co. NII reported net income of $13.0 million, or $0.53 per common share after preferred dividends, in the comparable quarter last year.

CONTACT: Judith A. Hale of National Intergroup Inc., 412-394-4305

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#90215p1977 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
EL PASO, TEXAS (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - William F. Farah, the former chairman and chief executive of Farah Incorporated (NYSE: FRA), who is trying to remove a majority of the board of directors through a proxy fight, said today his main objective, if he wins, would be to sell the company within two years at the best available price.

Mr. Farah said the book value of Farah, one of the country's largest manufacturers of men's slacks, was approximately $9.60 per share at April 30, 1990. Such amount is an estimate which is exclusive of anticipated losses for the third quarter of fiscal 1990, he said. The company's common stock closed yesterday at $2-7/8, down from a high of $8 a share for the first quarter of this year.

"I will work like the dickens," Mr. Farah said, "to turn things around and make this company attractive to an industry buyer." Mr. Farah's parents founded the company 70 years ago and the former chairman is still the largest shareholder, with approximately 16 percent of the common stock.

Farah Incorporated reported sales for the half ended April 30, 1990, of $59.2 million against sales from continuing operations of $78.6 million for the same period last year with a net loss of $1,993,000, after a non-recurring gain of $1,272,000, in fiscal 1990 against income of $166,000 (exclusive of $2,925,000 of losses related to a discontinued operation) in the prior year. Mr. Farah said, however, that operative losses for the six months ended April 30, 1990, were $5.4 million and that based on internal financial statements provided to him, the company had additional operating losses of approximately $5.8 million in May and June of this year.

A special stockholders meeting will be held Aug. 10 in El Paso in which Mr. Farah is attempting to unseat six directors and current management is trying to unseat Mr. Farah and one other director.

CONTACT: William F. Farah, 915-592-5862

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#90215p1981 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
ULAN BATOR, MONGOLIA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Council of Ministers of the Mongolian People's Republic today announced the establishment of the first joint venture between a Mongolian company and a United States company.

The joint venture, called MongolAmicale, will become Mongolia's only integrated producer and distributor of dehaired camel hair, camel hair fabric, and finished products. The two partners are Amicale Mongolia,

Inc., a subsidiary of Amicale Industries, Inc. of New York and the Mongolian Camel Wool Company of Ulan Bator, Mongolia. Modern camel hair processing equipment will be installed at the joint venture's Ulan Bator facility. The equipment was purchased by MongolImpex, one of the leading Mongolian foreign trade companies.

"This joint venture is a landmark event in world production of fine camel hair fabric," said Boris Shlomm, president of Amicale Mongolia and Amicale Industries. "I am confident we can look forward to a higher quality of camel hair and more reliable supplies than ever before."

The agreement was ratified by the Council of Ministers during the first visit of a U.S. Secretary of State to Ulan Bator. James A. Baker III is the highest U.S. official ever to visit Mongolia. The agreement came after an intensive series of negotiations between the two companies and the government of the Mongolian Peoples Republic.

Amicale Industries Inc. is the leading United States manufacturer of fabrics and other products from luxury animal fibers -- cashmere, camel hair, alpaca and angora. It was founded in 1941 by Shlomm's father, Gregory. Amicale currently employs approximately 400 people in three U.S. factories, one in North Carolina and two in Pennsylvania, with its executive offices in New York City.

The Mongolian Camel Wool Company is an enterprise formed by the Council of Ministers of Mongolia for the purpose of upgrading camel wool processing industry in Mongolia through cooperation with foreign countries.

CONTACT: Boris Shlomm, chairman of MongolAmicale, 212-398-0300, or Jennifer Colville of Burson-Marsteller, 212-614-5264, for MongolAmicale

-30- 2339

#90215p1982 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CORPUS CHRISTI, TX (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Salomon Brothers Inc., Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. and Howard, Weil, Labouisse, Friedrichs Incorporated have announced the public offering of three million shares of common stock of Marine Holding Company (NASDAQ-NMS: MDCO) at $6.375 per share. The underwriters have been granted an option to purchase up to an additional 450,000 shares of common stock to cover over- allotments. Copies of the prospectus are available from the company.

Net proceeds from the offering will be used to repay indebtedness, for capital expenditures and for general working capital purposes.

Concurrently with the closing of the underwritten public offering, the company will issue 693,306 shares of common stock in full satisfaction of indebtedness of approximately $4.1 million owed to three principal

shareholders of the company.

The company engages in the contract drilling of oil and gas wells in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico for independent and major oil and gas companies.

CONTACT: William H. Flores of Marine Holding Company, 512-884-8851

-30- 1268

#90215p1985 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (RG&E) (NYSE: RGS) has filed a petition with the New York Public Service Commission asking for increased revenues for electricity and gas.

The company is seeking relief that would raise electric revenues by $38.4 million, or 6.3 percent, and $5.9 million in gas revenues, or a 2.6 percent increase. No increases would take effect until July 1991.

If approved in full, a typical residential electric customer who uses 500 kilowatt-hours of electricity a month would realize a monthly increase of $3.17. The typical residential gas customer who heats with gas would see a monthly increase of $2 on a 12-month average.

The annual average increase for the combination residential electric and gas customer would be four percent. This is in line with the company's goal of keeping energy cost increases within the rate of inflation.

RG&E cited overall inflation, higher operation and maintenance costs as the main factors for the increase. The company is committed to maintaining high standards of performance with the emphasis on safety for all employees and customers.

There are 2,708 RG&E employees serving 293,500 residential electric customers and 239,000 gas customers within the nine-county area surrounding the city of Rochester.

CONTACT: Richard Peck of Rochester Gas and Electric, (716) 724-8813.

-30- 1589

#90215p1986 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

TEMECULA, CA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Temecula Valley National Bank is now open, with offices in Temecula and Murrieta, Calif.

On July 16, Temecula Valley National Bank was established, upon purchasing the assets and assuming the liabilities of Escondido National Bank's Temecula Office. On that date, there were $17.6 million in loans and

$26.9 million in deposits. Former customers of the Escondido National Bank Temecula Office are now customers of Temecula Valley National Bank.

Temecula Valley National Bank joins Escondido National Bank and San Marcos National Bank as a member of the ENB Holding Co. (OTC "Pink Sheets") group of local independent banks in key communities in San Diego and Riverside Counties.

President of the new bank is Larry Hancock, formerly regional vice president of the Temecula Office of Escondido National Bank. Joan Sparkman is senior vice president in charge of business development and Brenda Woeckener is vice president/cashier.

Vice president and manager of the Temecula Office is Denette Stewart and Richard Villalobos is operations officer.

Shirley Fleming is assistant vice president/branch manager of the Murrieta Office. Peter Pizzuto is operations supervisor.

In addition to Hancock, local area members of the board of directors are Chairman John Hoffee, president and CEO of Professional Hospital Supply Co.; Peter Rosen, attorney, Rosen & Flemming; and Larry Markham, president and CEO of Markham & Associates, a land use consulting and civil engineering firm.

Other directors are Harvey Mitchell, president and CEO of ENB Holding Co. and Escondido National Bank; Michael Wexler, chairman of the board of Escondido National Bank, director of ENB Holding Co. and vice president of Pine Tree Lumber Co., Inc.; Bryn B. Evans, chairman of the board of San Marcos National Bank and director of ENB Holding Co.; and Mark Baker, director of ENB Holding Co. and Escondido National Bank and executive vice president of Baker Electric Inc., Escondido, Calif.

"Temecula Valley National Bank was founded to meet the growing needs of businesses and residents in Temecula Valley," Hancock said. "As a local bank, we are able to offer faster response and a higher level of service than large branch banks with headquarters elsewhere."

Hancock also pointed out that checking and savings deposits will be invested back into the community in the form of business, personal and real estate loans to help the local economy.

The bank's main office is at 27314 Jefferson Ave., Suite 10, Temecula, in what was formerly the Escondido National Bank Temecula Office. The new office in Murrieta is in the Plaza Las Brisas shopping center at 39840 Los Alamos Road, Suite D-8, Murrieta.

A three-week grand opening celebration will begin at each office on Monday

Aug. 13 and continue through Friday, Aug. 24. In addition to free gifts, there will be a free prize drawing for an all-terrain bike each banking day for three weeks, a drawing for a 21-inch color TV set with remote control on three consecutive Fridays and a grand prize drawing for a Mexican Riviera Cruise for two people at the end of the banking day Friday Aug. 24.

Both offices will be open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Fridays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon.

Temecula Valley National Bank will soon begin construction of a new 10,000-square-foot, two-story bank building located at the northeast corner of Winchester Road and Enterprise Circle North, in Temecula. This building will become the bank's new main office and is expected to be completed by April 1991.

CONTACT: Larry Hancock, president of Temecula Valley National Bank, 714-699-8008.

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#90215p1987 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Centocor Inc. (NASDAQ: CNTO) today reported that second quarter 1990 product sales increased 22 percent over second quarter 1989 levels to $8.1 million.

Net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, was approximately $125,000.

Centocor has filed product license applications with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and European regulatory authorities for approval to market Centoxin(TM) for the treatment of patients with gram negative sepsis and septic shock. The company's results for the second quarter of 1990 reflect increased expenses from preparations for the launch of Centoxin. Net income for the quarter included a gain, net of tax, of approximately $7.8 million from the sale of the company's holdings of Repligen Corp.

Centocor Inc., based in Malvern, develops, manufactures and markets diagnostic and therapeutic products for human health care. The company's products are based on monoclonal antibody technology and are primarily used in the management of patients with cardiovascular, infectious and autoimmune disease and cancer.

CENTOCOR INC.

(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

Periods ended	Quarter		Six months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				

Sales	$8,100	$6,618	$16,172	$13,002
Research and development	4,808	9,301	13,465	18,083
Total	12,908	15,919	29,637	31,085
Costs and expenses	21,627	16,569	39,391	32,467
Other income, net(A)	10,773	716	11,836	1,503
Income before income taxes	2,054	66	2,082	121
Net income	125	30	142	55
Net income per share	$.01	--	$.01	--
Weighted average shares	12,262	11,555	12,000	11,544

(A) Other income, net in the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, includes a pre-tax gain of approximately $9.7 million from the sale of Repligen Corp. common stock.

CONTACT: Thomas Pearson, 215-648-3975, or Charles C. Cabot III, 215-889-4456, both of Centocor

-30- 2408

#90215p1996 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) today reported the following sales figures:

Memo:	1990	1989	Pct. Change	Selling Days 1990	Selling Days 1989
Total Vehicles					
July 21-31	117,490	123,199	- 4.6	9	9
July	299,690	326,067	- 8.1	25	25
Jan. 1-July 31	2,070,377	2,244,665	- 8.3	179	178
Total Cars					
July 21-31	63,530	73,920	-14.1		
July	166,534	194,645	-14.4		
Jan. 1-July 31	1,188,594	1,352,437	-12.6		
Imported Cars					
July 21-31	3,015	3,184	- 5.4		
July	6,950	8,077	-13.9		
Jan. 1-July 31	39,122	48,997	-20.4		
Total Trucks					
July 21-31	53,960	49,279	+ 9.5		
July	133,156(a)	131,422	+ 1.3		
Jan. 1-July 31	881,783	892,228	- 1.7		

(a) - Truck sales are a record for any July.

Light Trucks			
July 21-31	51,755	46,322	+11.7
July	128,053	125,615	+ 1.9

Jan. 1-July 31	853,470	856,261	- 0.9

Note: Percentage changes are based on daily selling rates.

Comments: The following may be attributed to Robert L. Rewey, vice president - Sales Operations, Ford North American Automotive Operations.

"Led by the success of our new Explorer, Ford's share of the truck market has rebounded. An 84-percent year-to-year sales increase for Explorer/Bronco II in July should enable Ford, for the third consecutive month, to capture sales leadership in the compact utility segment."

"As availability of the all-new 1991 Ford Escort and Mercury Tracer models improves, we are confident that growing numbers of consumers will recognize their exceptional value and sales will gain momentum. Accordingly, we expect Ford's car market share to improve over the balance of the year, following the upturn in our truck market share already in evidence."

"Even if the economy were as robust as a year ago, and it clearly isn't, industry sales during the third quarter were bound to be considerably below 1989, when the seasonally adjusted annual rate reached 16.2 million units.

"Given the reasonable level of present inventories, we do not anticipate a repetition of the extraordinary incentive activity that occurred then, nor of the sales volumes that resulted. On the other hand, favorable fourth-quarter sales comparisons for the industry are quite likely."

CONTACT: Joel Pitcoff, (313) 337-3753, or June Larsen, (313) 337-3755, both of Ford Motor Company.

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#90215p1999 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PULASKI, VA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Pulaski Furniture Corporation (NASDAQ: PLFC), Pulaski, Va., today reported operating results for the three quarters (36 weeks) of its fiscal year and for the third quarter (12 weeks) ended July 8, 1990, and compared them with the results for the corresponding periods of 1989 as follows:

PULASKI FURNITURE CORPORATION
(Dollars in thousands)

	Twelve weeks ended		Thirty six weeks ended	
	7/08/90	7/09/89	7/08/90	7/09/89
Net sales	$26,963	$25,903	$86,229	$83,577
Inc. bef. inc. taxes	926	1,350	4,582	4,574
Net income	582	865	2,882	2,932
Earns. per share	$ 0.20	$ 0.30	$ 1.00	$ 1.02

The increase in sales in the 12 and 36 weeks ended July 8, 1990, is

primarily attributable to the contribution to sales by the Accentrics division which began operations at the beginning of fiscal 1990.

Because of continuing industry softness, there was not sufficient demand for the company's furniture to support full time operations in all divisions. The reduced work schedule was the primary reason for the lower profit margins in the 1990 third quarter and the three quarters of 1990 compared to those in 1989.

The board of directors at its Aug. 3, 1990, meeting declared a dividend of twelve cents per common share payable on Sept. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record on Aug. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Bernard C. Wampler, president of Pulaski Furniture, 703-980-7330

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#90215p2005 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Oppenheimer Management Corporation announces the introduction of its new financial planning guide, "Getting Your Financial House In Order".

"Getting Your Financial House In Order" is a step-by-step approach to help people organize their finances. The guide is a five part planning series which includes sections on:

-- Getting started
-- Controlling cash flow
-- Planning for a college education
-- Planning for retirement
-- Planning an estate

According to Jon S. Fossel, president and CEO of Oppenheimer Management Corporation, "Baby-boomers are now making the transition from spending to saving. And the five areas covered in 'Getting Your Financial House in Order' are topics this group is most concerned about."

He added, "This new guide gives people a starting point for making smart, well-informed decisions concerning their finances."

"Getting Your Financial House In Order" has been designed to help the average person focus on his financial goals and develop sensible investment strategies to meet them. The guide provides worksheets to help investors determine their net worth.

The college education and retirement sections of the guide explain how to estimate future costs and the amount of savings needed to cover these

expenses. In addition. there is a special worksheet which analyzes spending habits, as well as an "estate organizer" worksheet.

The guide is available at no cost by calling Oppenheimer Management at 1-800-525-7048, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. EDT.

Oppenheimer Management Corporation manages over 50 mutual funds with assets in excess of $14 billion and more than 1.2 million shareholders accounts.

CONTACT: Sally A. Cates of Oppenheimer Management Corporation, 212-323-0597

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#90215p2006 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are unit sales for the ten-day period, July 21-31, for Lincoln-Mercury Division:

	Current	Year-ago
Grand Marquis	3,432	5,574
Cougar	2,922	3,289
Sable	4,234	4,134
Topaz	2,424	2,500
Tracer	1,240	2,623
Capri	956	---
Lincoln Town Car	3,504	4,212
Mark VII	727	1,150
Continental	1,861	2,023
XR4Ti	---	178
Scorpio	---	191
TOTAL	21,300	25,874

CONTACT: Edda LaFramboise of Lincoln-Mercury Division, (313) 446-4368.

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#90215p2008 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Crestar Bank announced today that Beryl W. Ball has been named manager of the Institutional Financial Services Division. A unit of Crestar's Trust and Investment Management Group, the division provides trust, record keeping, custody, and paying agency services to employee benefit plans and other institutional customers.

Mrs. Ball, who is a senior vice president, was previously manager of benefits and executive compensation for Crestar. She joined the bank in 1982.

With $11.4 billion in assets, Crestar Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CRFC) is the holding company for four banks operating in Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia. Other subsidiaries provide insurance, brokerage, mortgage banking, leasing and investment advisory services.

CONTACT: Cheryl Jenkins, Corporate Communications, Crestar Financial Corporation, 804-782-5377.

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#90215p2009 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Doral Hotels & Resorts Management Corporation will develop a $68 million project in Telluride, Colo. -- the Doral Telluride Resort & Spa -- as announced by Bruce Blum, chief operating officer of the New York-based hotel group. The project is a joint venture with Nichiei Company, a Yokohama-based construction and real estate firm, and is scheduled to open early in 1992.

The 173-room property will feature deluxe guest rooms and suites, and is designed to mirror its sister property in Miami -- the renowned Doral Saturnia International Spa Resort. As a multi-faceted haven for recreation and relaxation, Doral Telluride Resort & Spa will offer the most advanced exercise, health and nutrition programs in the United States. It will feature a 40,000 square-foot spa facility, three pools, 18-hole championship golf course, tennis facilities, world-class skiing, ski concierge services as well as conference facilities.

Doral Telluride Resort & Spa is located within the exclusive Telluride Mountain Village, and will be connected to the town via a swift, high-speed gondola. Recognized as a National Historic District, Telluride was founded as a mining village and was famed as the site of Butch Cassidy's first bank robbery. Set against the San Juan Mountain Range, it has recently received extensive media exposure for its breathtaking beauty and natural resources.

Easily accessible via air transportation from many U.S. cities, Doral Telluride Resort & Spa is just 10 minutes away from the Telluride Regional Airport. Service is offered from Los Angeles, Denver, Phoenix and Albuquerque, as well as private air transport.

Doral Telluride Resort & Spa is owned and managed by Doral Hotels & Resorts Management Corporation, a division of Carol Management Corporation both based in New York.

CONTACT: Bonnie Reuben of Doral, 212-715-6585

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#90215p2010 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Energy Service Company, Inc. (ENSCO) (AMEX: ESV) announced today that it has reached agreements in principle, subject to negotiating definitive purchase agreements and obtaining government approvals under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act, to acquire all of the interests in 20 offshore supply and service vessels. The vessels are presently owned by Argosy Offshore Limited (Argosy).

Upon completing the Argosy transaction, ENSCO marine's fleet will more than double in size, thus greatly enhancing the company's marine service capabilities in the Gulf of Mexico. Argosy's fleet includes six 180-foot supply vessels, which were built since 1983, three 140-foot mini-supply vessels and 11 116-foot utility vessels, all built since 1979.

Argosy was formed in 1983 and has since that time operated a fleet of marine vessels in the Gulf of Mexico. From 1983 to November 1988 the fleet worked exclusively for Tenneco Oil Company and since then has worked exclusively for Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

It is expected that following the acquisition, all 20 vessels will continue working for Chevron pursuant to a long-term charter. The purchase of all ownership interests in Argosy is expected to be completed during the third quarter of 1990, and it is contemplated that ENSCO Marine will manage and operate the vessels from that time.

The acquisition of Argosy will come at a time when the marine transportation business is showing substantial improvement. ENSCO Marine's current fleet of 18 supply and anchor handling vessels experienced significantly increased utilization and dayrates for the first half of 1990 compared to the previous year. Carl Thorne, ENSCO chief executive officer and chairman, said, "We are very pleased with this segment's performance. We think the acquisition of Argosy will be an outstanding addition to ENSCO's growing asset base."

ENSCO, headquartered in Houston, is engaged in providing contract drilling and related energy services to the international petroleum industry. ENSCO's common stock and preferred stock trade on the American Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Cathy Clonts of Energy Service Company, 713-496-6060

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#90215p2013 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - United Capital Corp. (AMEX: ICU) today reported results for the second quarter of 1990.

Total revenue for the quarter was $18,383,000 vs. $15,633,000 for the second quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter was $1,657,000, or 15 cents per share. Net loss for the comparable 1989 period was $1,446,000, or 13 cents per share. Year-to-date loss was $5,272,000, or 49 cents per share, on $34,185,000 of revenues vs. earnings of $1,491,000, or 14 cents per share, on $23,656,000 of revenues during the comparable 1989 period.

In commenting on the results, A.F. Petrocelli, chairman of United Capital Corp., noted that revenues for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 1990, were at record levels. Net income for the quarter reflects the strong operating performance of the Metex operating companies. The 1990 year-to-date loss reflects the first-quarter write-down of the company's investment in General Development Corporation, which filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in April this year.

Petrocelli also noted that in March 1990 the company had announced that the operating assets of the Metex companies, exclusive of the real estate, would be offered for sale. As a result of the record performance of the businesses and a slow down in merger and acquisition activity, the company has decided to retain and develop these companies. In connection with this decision, Fred Arnold has been promoted to president and chief executive officer of Dorne & Margolin, Inc., a subsidiary of the company.

In addition to the Metex business acquired on March 3, 1989, which provided engineered products to aviation, industrial and automotive markets worldwide, United Capital Corp. owns and manages real estate assets.

CONTACT: A.F. Petrocelli, chairman of United Capital,
212-371-1781

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#90215p2014 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSING, MI (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Oldsmobile Division of General Motors has announced its closeout incentive strategy - "Olds Summer Sell Down" - for the 1990 model year.

"Oldsmobile has offered a mix of dealer and direct consumer incentives during the model year and will continue to do so in the future," said David E. Lahti, Oldsmobile general sales and service manager. "Our 'Olds Summer Sell Down' direct consumer rebate across our entire line is designed simply to clean out all of the 1990 models in one large promotion for August and September."

Beginning today (Aug. 3), direct consumer cash rebates will be offered on

Oldsmobile vehicles as follows:

Cutlass Calais	$ 750
Cutlass Ciera	$1,000
Cutlass Supreme	$2,000 (at participating dealers)
Eighty-Eight Royale	$1,500
Custom Cruiser	$1,000
Ninety-Eight, Touring Sedan	$1,000
Toronado	$2,500
Silhouette	$1,250

The "Olds Summer Sell Down" program also includes GMAC finance rates of 7.9 percent for up through a 48-month term or 10.9 percent rate for 49 through 60 months as an alternative to cash rebates. The "Olds Summer Sell Down" program runs through Sept. 26, 1990.

CONTACT: Jill Witzenburg or Ross Ruehle of Oldsmobile Division, (517) 377-5660.

-30- 1541

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NEW YORK (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Principal photography began today on Orion Pictures' "Married to It," starring Beau Bridges, Stockard Channing, Robert Sean Leonard, Mary Stuart Masterson, Cybill Shepherd and Ron Silver directed by Arthur Hiller, it was announced by Producer Thomas Baer.

Shooting on location in Manhattan and Toronto, "Married to It" is a heart-warming comedy about three contemporary married couples whose lives become intertwined despite their radically different lifestyles.

"The film is unusual because it has six leading characters, all with equal parts," said Baer, responsible for Hugh Hudson's "Lost Angels."

"It's a look at marriage which says, 'it's not easy, but hang in, it's worth it'," says Hiller, who recently completed "Taking Care of Business."

The ensemble cast's host of outstanding credits include "The Fabulous Baker Boys" (Beau Bridges); "Heartburn" (Stockard Channing); "Dead Poets Society" (Leonard); "Some Kind of Wonderful" (Masterson); "Enemies, A Love Story" (Ron Silver); the long-running TV series "Moonlighting" and "Texasville" (Cybill Shepherd).

"Married to It" will be released worldwide by Orion Pictures in 1991.

CONTACT: Janet Lonner of Orion Pictures, 213-282-2564

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LOWELL, MA (AUG 3) PR NEWSWIRE - COMFED BANCORP, INC. (AMEX: CFK) announced today that the company has dropped the interest rate on their "Totally Pointless" 7-year balloon refinancing program to 9.99 percent.

According to Gerald Devlin, senior vice president of COMFED Mortgage Company: "Our 'Totally Pointless' loan gives homeowners a quick and easy option to reduce their monthly mortgage payment without having to come up with a lot of cash or points and closing costs."

COMFED's "Totally Pointless" 7-year balloon program makes it very affordable for homeowners to lower their monthly mortgage payments because it eliminates all points, legal fees, appraisal costs, credit check fees, document preparation fees, and lenders' title insurance fees. With this program, homeowners will also save time receiving mortgage approval in only five business days.

COMFED BANCORP, INC. is a $1.4 billion asset holding company headquartered in Lowell, Mass.

CONTACT: Gerald Devlin, senior vice president of mortgage production for COMFED, 508-454-5663

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THOMASVILLE, GA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Flowers Industries Inc. (NYSE: FLO) reported that sales for the fiscal year ending June 30 were $835,085,000, an increase of 6.7 percent over the $782,580,000 reported in fiscal 1989.

Pre-tax income in fiscal 1990 rose 17.8 percent to $55,939,000, compared to $47,497,000 recorded for the previous year. Income before the extraordinary charge resulting from the Federal Trade Commission's order for the company to divest two of its operating facilities was $34,253,000, an increase of 15.9 percent over the $29,552,000 reported in fiscal 1989. After deducting the extraordinary charge, net income was $29,298,000, compared to $29,552,000 in fiscal 1989. Net income per share before the extraordinary charge was $.97 compared to $.85 a year ago; net income per share after the extraordinary charge was $.84 vs. $.85 last year.

Sales for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, which ended June 30, were $256,338,000 compared to $257,968,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Pre-tax income for the quarter was $23,994,000, a 96.4 percent increase over the $12,218,000 reported last year. Net income was $14,671,000, a 93.7 percent increase over the $7,573,000 reported last year. Net income per share was $.42, a 90.9 percent increase over the

$.22 reported a year ago.

At the regular quarterly board of directors meeting held today, the quarterly divided was increased to $.16 per share. This dividend is payable on Aug. 31 to shareholders of record on Aug. 17. The new annual rate of $.64 represents a 14 percent increase over the $.56 annual rate in effect a year ago. The new dividend represents the 44th consecutive quarter in which the quarterly dividend has been increased.

In commenting on the results of fiscal 1990, Amos R. McMullian, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, noted that the year was a difficult one in which management had to respond quickly to a number of important challenges. "During the year, Flowers Industries was faced with cost increases, intense price competition in our major southeastern markets, and a generally sluggish business environment," he explained.

Flowers Industries Inc. produces and distributes a variety of specialty branded food products throughout the South.

CONTACT: Marta R. Jones, director of communications for Flowers Industries, 912-226-9110.

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ERIE, PA. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Zurn Industries Inc. (NYSE: ZRN), a leading designer and manufacturer of waste-to-energy and water control products and systems, announced today that two directors have been re-elected to three-year terms on the Zurn board.

Directors elected to three-year terms at the company's annual stockholders' meeting held today are Alton S. Cartwright and James A. Zurn.

Cartwright has been a Zurn director since 1984. He is a former chairman and chief executive officer of Canadian General Electric Co. Cartwright is also a director of Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Co-Steel Inc., Xerox Canada Inc., Xerox Canada Finance Company Inc. and Raritan River Steel Co.

Zurn has been a Zurn director since 1970. He is a senior vice president of the company and a director of The First National Pennsylvania Corp.

Directors continuing to serve on the Zurn board include Dr. Juanita M. Kreps and Edward J. Campbell, David W. Wallace, Kenneth S. Axelson, Albert F. Duval and George H. Schofield.

CONTACT: Steve Adams of Zurn Industries, 814-452-2111

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#90215p2029 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVINGSTON, N.J. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Mayflower Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MFFC), the holding company of Mayflower Savings Bank, SLA, today announced that its net income for the three and nine months ended June 30, 1990, amounted to $227,864 and $833,083, or 19 cents and 70 cents per share, respectively, as compared to $254,102 and $931,500, or 21 cents and 80 cents per share, respectively, for the comparable 1989 periods. Net interest income before provision for loan losses amounted to $869,009 and $2,675,422 during the three- and nine- month periods ended June 30, 1990, respectively, compared to $861,514 and $2,787,250 for the same respective periods in 1989.

Norman Goldfarb, president and chief executive officer of the company, stated that but for a $42,451 increase in other expenses, primarily related to the proposed acquisition of Mayflower by Valley National Bancorp, earnings for the three-month period would have been greater than in the comparable 1989 quarter. The primary reason for the decrease in earnings for the nine-month period was an increase in the cost of deposits which reduced net interest income before provision for loan losses by $111,828 over the comparable period in 1989. The decrease in net interest income before provision for loan losses for the nine-month period was partially offset by a $38,972 decrease in income taxes, due primarily to a decrease in pre-tax income over the comparable period in 1989.

Goldfarb reported that, as of June 30, 1990, total assets amounted to $125,979,257 and total stockholders' equity amounted to $18,007,206, which resulted in a ratio of stockholders' equity to total assets of 14.29 percent, one of the highest in New Jersey.

Mayflower Financial Corporation is the holding company of Mayflower Savings Bank, SLA, a New Jersey-chartered, federally insured savings association located in Livingston. The company's principal offices are located at 72 South Livingston Ave., Livingston, N.J., 07039.

CONTACT: Norman Goldfarb, president and CEO of Mayflower Financial, 201-992-6262

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DES MOINES, IA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Meredith Corp. (NYSE: MDP) today announced that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of an additional one million shares of the company's common stock.

A similar repurchase authorization had been approved by the board last November. The company repurchased the maximum one million shares

authorized by the board's November 1989 action.

CONTACT: Steve Salato of Meredith Corporation, 515-284-3386 (office) or 515-279-7608 (home)

-30- 665

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NEW YORK (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Maxwell, chairman of Maxwell Communication plc (MCC), today announced the appointment of Basil Brookes, ACA, MCT, as acting finance director at MCC reporting to Richard Baker, FCA, FCT, deputy managing director of MCC who held the position of finance director of the corporation for several years.

Since 1986, Brookes has been in a senior position in the group's finance division. Prior to joining the group, Brookes was a senior manager at Coopers & Lybrand where he worked for seven years. He takes over from Reg Mogg, the present finance director, who leaves the company by mutual consent to take up the position of finance director of Polly Peck International plc.

CONTACT: Andrew McSmith of Maxwell Communications in London, 071-882-3646

-30- 973

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OAK BROOK, IL (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Chemical Waste Management, Inc., and its parent, Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: WMX), announced today that Chemical Waste Management has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a proposed offering of $500 million principal amount at maturity of Liquid Yield Option Notes (LYONs)(TM) due 2010.

The LYONs are zero coupon, subordinated notes convertible into shares of common stock of Chemical Waste Management. The offering is expected to result in proceeds to Chemical Waste Management of approximately $150 million which will be used to retire existing indebtedness to Waste Management, Inc. Waste Management intends to apply such amounts as are received by it from Chemical Waste Management to the reduction of Waste Management's commercial paper or short-term indebtedness issued to provide funds for use in the ordinary course of business and for general corporate purposes. Merrill Lynch Capital Markets will act as sole underwriter of the offering.

Waste Management is the nation's largest comprehensive waste services company, providing waste reduction and recycling services, as well as the collection, treatment and disposal of solid and hazardous wastes, with

operations in 48 states, Canada and a number of countries overseas.

Chemical Waste Management is the nation's largest environmental services company, specializing in the transportation, treatment and disposal of hazardous wastes and the cleanup of sites contaminated with such wastes, and is a 77-percent-owned subsidiary of Waste Management.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This announcement shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any State in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such State. The offer of these securities shall only be made by means of a prospectus.

Copies of the preliminary prospectus relating to the proposed offering may be obtained from Merrill Lynch Capital Markets.

LYON is a trademark of Merrill Lynch & Co.

CONTACT: Jim Koenig of Waste Management Inc., 708-572-8822.

-30- 2668

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BRANCHVILLE, NJ (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Selective Insurance Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: SIGI) today declared a quarterly common stock dividend of $.26 per share payable Sept. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record Aug. 15.

The company reported net income for the three months ended June 30, 1990 of $7,737,000, compared to $10,673,000 in 1989 or $.60 per share, vs. $.78 per share, respectively. Quarterly earnings, excluding net realized gains on investments (net of tax effect), were $4,616,000, compared with $8,226,000, or $.36 per share, vs. $.60 per share in 1989. Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $16,203,000, or $1.26 per share, compared with $21,447,000. or $1.58 per share, for the same period of 1989. The first six-months earnings, excluding net realized gains on investments (net of tax effect), were $11,622,000, or $.90 per share, compared with $19,090,000, or $1.40 per share in 1989.

Net premiums written increased 4 percent and net premiums earned increased 3 percent during the six months ended June 30, 1990. Net investment income increased 7 percent to $31,162,000, up from $29,012,000 a year earlier.

Selective Insurance had an underwriting loss for the quarter ended June 30 1990, of $10,221,000 vs. $4,791,000 for the same period in 1989. The underwriting loss for the six months was $17,827,000, compared with $5,929,000 a year earlier.

The underwriting loss for both the six months and second quarter ended June 30, 1990, reflects $4,024,000 and $2,871,000, respectively for the New Jersey automobile surtax and assessments incurred as a result of legislation to fund the deficit of the Joint Underwriting Association. In addition to the surtax and assessment, underwriting losses continued during the second quarter of 1990 in private passenger, homeowners and workers' compensation.

SELECTIVE INSURANCE GROUP, INC.

Quarter ended June 30:	1990	1989
Revenues(A)	$133,358,000	$128,064,000
Net investment income	15,755,000	14,628,000
Capital gain	3,901,000	3,059,000
Net income	7,737,000	10,673,000
Net earnings per share:		
Primary	$.60	$.78
Fully diluted	.57	.73
Six months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Revenues(A)	$265,744,000	$254,904,000
Net investment income	31,162,000	29,012,000
Capital gain	5,726,000	2,947,000
Net income	16,203,000	21,447,000
Net earnings per share:		
Primary	$1.26	$1.58
Fully diluted	1.19	1.46

(A) -- Includes net investment income and capital gains as shown.

CONTACT: Charles L. Tice of Selective Insurance Group, 201-948-3000

-30- 3206

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. (NYSE: CHH) today announced that it has signed a $30 million real estate mortgage financing agreement with Prudential Insurance Company. The loan, which is collateralized by three of the company's stores, matures in 1996 and is at an interest rate of 10.20 percent. Proceeds will be used to retire a bridge loan currently outstanding with Bank of America.

Carter Hawley Hale operates 114 department stores under the names of The Broadway-Southern California, The Broadway-Southwest, Emporium, Thalhimers and Weinstocks.

CONTACT: Bill Dombrowski (media), 213-239-6522, or E. Harlin Smith (investors), 213-239-6626, both of Carter Hawley Hale.

-30- 872

#90215p2055 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - William T. Malone, a long- time Gannett executive, has been named president and publisher of the Monroe (La.) News-Star, it was announced today.

"Bill Malone's experience is an unquestionable asset as he moves into the leadership role at the News-Star," said Gary L. Watson, president of Gannett's Community Newspaper Division. "Under Bill's guidance, we're confident of significant progress in serving both readers and advertisers alike."

Malone, 61, succeeds George H. Van Wagner. Malone joined Gannett in 1972, serving as circulation director of the Lafayette (Ind.) Courier & Journal and the Rockford (Ill.) Register Star before becoming corporate director of circulation in 1977. He was named vice president/circulation in 1980.

In 1984, Malone was named president and publisher of the Springfield (Mo.) News-Leader. Two years later, he moved to Little Rock as president and publisher. He was named chairman a year ago.

Gannett is a nationwide news and information company that publishes 83 daily newspapers, including USA Today, and 54 non-daily publications, including USA Weekend, a newspaper magazine. It operates 10 television stations, 15 radio stations, Gannett News Services and the largest outdoor advertising company in North America.

Gannett also has marketing, television news and program production, research satellite information systems and a national group of commercial printing facilities. Gannett has operations in 41 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, the Virgin Islands, Canada, Great Britain, Hong Kong, Singapore and Switzerland.

CONTACT: Mimi Feller, 703-284-6046, or home, 202-363,4335; or Sheila Gibbons, 703-284-6048, or home, 301-445-3231, both of Gannett

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#90215p2058 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO, (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Foodmaker Inc., owner of Jack In The Box restaurants, today announced that within the month of August, all of its restaurants will be converting to 100 percent vegetable oil for the preparation of its food.

"We decided at the beginning of the year to make the transition, and now it is almost completed," said Mo Igbal, executive vice president of marketing for Jack In The Box.

"As a result of our research and development efforts, we have developed a vegetable shortening blend that we believe meets all of our consumers' demand for good taste as well as responds to their growing interest in reducing cholesterol and saturated fat in their diets," Igbal continued. "We believe that this move is in the best interests of the millions of Jack In The Box customers who want good taste and good nutrition when they visit our restaurants."

Jack In The Box is the nation's fifth-largest hamburger fast-food chain with 1,000 company-owned and franchised restaurants concentrated in the western and southwestern United States. Its menu items are developed to appeal to adult customers.

CONTACT: Jan McLane Rieger of Foodmaker Inc., 619-571-2248

-30- 1368

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BALTIMORE (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - In a concentrated effort to make natural gas accessible to more of its customers, Baltimore Gas & Electric (NYSE: BGE) is stepping up a campaign to expand natural gas availability and to promote gas to new home developers, builders, and buyers.

In 1989, BG&E hooked up 900 new residential gas customers, and arranged for gas service to 75 new developments. Efforts are being intensified this year, as BG&E has taken several steps to increase the availability of gas to areas targeted for development. Additionally, the utility has stepped up marketing efforts to new residential customers. Already, BG&E has matched last year's 900 new customers, and expects to top 2,000 by the end of 1990.

"Our market research indicates that our customers like choices," said Michael J. Chesser, BG&E's vice president for Consumer Services. "For many customers, gas is a preference. It's clean, safe, comfortable and reliable. But in order to increase accessibility, we've got to sell the developers and builders on installing gas."

Approximately 47 percent of BG&E's 1 million residential customers presently heat with gas. After focusing efforts on converting oil customers to gas in the early 1980s, BG&E now has decided to concentrate efforts on new construction.

"We will always quote a gas conversion price to an oil customer when feasible," said Ed Skoglin, BG&E's manager of Marketing & Energy Services.

"But the real market is in new construction. We've changed and modified some policies and are willing to be more speculative in where we extend gas. Advances in technology have helped, too."

The major technological advance has been in the area of piping. Plastic pipe has replaced steel pipe in many applications, dramatically cutting installation costs.

Natural gas supplies have also become more plentiful. The fear of shortages, prevalent 5-10 years ago, has abated. And BG&E has increased its number of pipeline suppliers from one to three in the last three years.

While most of BG&E's focus has been on residential customers, it hasn't ignored the industrial and commercial sector. Often, BG&E's residential and industrial/commercial sections have worked hand-in-hand to make gas available to both sectors of new construction.

"For the most part, we are in the places where the growth is occurring, or will occur," said Chesser. "This allows us to take advantage of opportunities when they become available. As a result, more and more customers will be offered the choices they desire. That's good for the customer and good for BG&E."

Developers and builders seeking more information, or customers interested in a list of new gas developments, can call 800-666-5183.

CONTACT: Charles J. Franklin Jr. of BG&E, 301-234-7433

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MIAMI BEACH, FL (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Non-Invasive Monitoring Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: NIMU) (NIMS) today announced that 2,791,600 of its outstanding Class B Warrants were exercised in June and July of 1990, from which the company received gross proceeds of approximately $1,395,800.

On July 31, 1990, F.N. Wolf Co. Inc., the underwriter of the company's (formally Birdfinder Corporation) September 1987 public offering, exercised the Unit Purchase Option granted to it in connection with the offering, as well as the Class A and Class B Warrants underlying the Unit Purchase Option. As a result, 2,663,552 shares of common stock were issued for which the company received gross proceeds of approximately $1,508,000.

NIMS previously announced that a Warrant Reduction Offering Period for the company's Class B Warrants continues through Feb. 28, 1991, during which period each warrant will entitle the holder to purchase one share of common stock at a reduced exercise price of $.50 and after which the

exercise price will revert to $1.20 per Class B Warrant through expiration of Class B Warrants on Sept. 13, 1992, or their earlier redemption.

Earlier this year, 3,005,900 of NIMS' Class A Warrants and 79,800 Class B Warrants were exercised, from which the company received gross proceeds of approximately $1,542,850.

The company now has 33,074,889 shares outstanding.

NIMS, a medical technology company, is engaged in developing, manufacturing and marketing computer assisted, non-invasive monitoring devices designed to detect abnormal respiratory and other medical conditions. The company is based in Miami Beach, Fla.

CONTACT: Lee Rickles of Non-Invasive Monitoring Systems, Inc., 305-534-3694

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BOISE, ID (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to an inquiry today from the New York Stock Exchange, Boise Cascade Corp. (NYSE: BCC) said that in accordance with its long-standing policy, it has no comment on rumors concerning the trading in its stock.

Boise Cascade Corp. is an integrated forest products company headquartered in Boise, Idaho, with operations located primarily in the United States and Canada. The company manufactures and distributes paper and paper products, office products, and building products and owns and manages timberland to support these operations.

CONTACT: Robert B. Hayes of Boise Cascade Corp., 208-384-7675, or after hours, 208-345-9863

-30- 849
#90215p2075 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDDLETOWN, PA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Homestead Holding Corp. (NASDAQ: HMSD) today announced a loss of $2,891,255 or $2.50 a share for the second quarter.

Gary L. Holman, president and chief executive officer, attributed the majority of the loss of income due to an increase in loan-loss reserves. The addition to the reserves was needed to meet the more stringent requirements under new federal regulations in the industry. This reserve will be analyzed by the company on a monthly basis and will be maintained at the estimated level required by the regulators.

Holman also stated that Homestead Savings Association, a subsidiary of the Homestead Holding Corp., is currently being examined by the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Pennsylvania Department of Banking. This exam is a regularly scheduled exam and is not associated with the pending merger with CCNB Corp. (NASDAQ: CCNC). Holman added that until the exam is completed they will not know if the loan-loss reserves are adequate. The association exceeds by nearly double the required amount of core capital that is required even after the addition to the loan- loss reserves.

Second quarter income in 1989 totaled $715,566 or $.62 per share. The board of directors anticipates declaring a third quarter dividend of $.06 per share.

CONTACT: Gary L. Holman, president and CEO, or David A. Doyle of Homestead Holding Corp., 717-944-1301

-30- 1600

#90215p2077 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boston Globe will establish a news bureau in Berlin in September to cover events in Europe, it was announced by Globe Editor John S. Driscoll. The bureau will be officially opened Sept. 11.

The Globe also has foreign bureaus in Tokyo, Jerusalem, and Moscow. The Moscow bureau, staffed by veteran journalist Paul Quinn-Judge, opened last Nov. 1. The paper also covers Latin America through its Washington Bureau.

Jonathan Kaufman, who has covered Europe and Eastern Europe since November will be the Globe's correspondent in Berlin.

Kaufman, 34, joined the Globe in June 1982. He has been a metro reporter, Focus writer, and foreign reporter. He was a member of the Globe team that in 1984 earned a Pulitzer Prize for a series on job discrimination and racism in Boston and other U.S. cities. Prior to joining the Globe, he worked for the Wall Street Journal and the South China Morning Post in Hong Kong.

A 1978 Yale graduate, Kaufman earned an M.A. in East Asian Studies from Harvard in 1982. He is the author of Broken Alliance: The Turbulent Times Between Blacks and Jews in America, published in 1988, which won the National Jewish Book Award in 1989.

CONTACT: Richard P. Gulla of the Boston Globe, 617-929-3288

-30- 1441

#90215p2079 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) has informed employees at its Dearborn (Mich.) assembly plant that the plant will be idled the week of Aug. 13.

The downtime is necessitated by a shortage of dealer orders. Dearborn employs approximately 2,100 hourly employees on two shifts and builds approximately 3,700 Mustangs per week.

CONTACT: Joel Pitcoff, 313-337-3753, or June Larsen, 313-337-3755, both of Ford

-30- 602

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ATLANTA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - At the quarterly meeting of the board of directors of Haverty Furniture Companies Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HAVT HAVTA) held today in Atlanta, the directors authorized an increase in the cash dividend to be paid on the two classes of $1 par value common stock of the corporation on Aug. 24 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 14.

The directors declared a cash dividend of 9-1/2 cents per share on the outstanding shares of common stock (Cusip No. 419596 10 1) and 9 cents per share on the outstanding shares of Class A common stock (Cusip No. 419596 20 0).

The directors also authorized the repurchase of an additional 200,000 shares of the company's common stock. The individual purchase transactions, to be made from time to time in the open market, or through private negotiation, may be either block trades or purchases within the trading limitations imposed by SEC Rule 10b-18. The stock, to be purchased in shares of either of the two classes of common, will be held in the treasury and used for such corporate purposes as the board of directors may determine. Presently there are 3,239,643 shares of common stock and 2,464,730 shares of Class A common stock outstanding.

Haverty's currently operates 85 retail furniture showrooms in 10 states throughout the Southeast and Southwest. The company's two classes of common stock are quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbols HAVT and HAVTA.

CONTACT: Christine Jones, secretary of Haverty Furniture, 404-881-1911

-30- 1743

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SHREVEPORT, LA. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Arkla Exploration Co. (NYSE: ARK)

today reported consolidated net income of $1.075 million, or 3 cents per share, for the second quarter ending June 30, 1990, compared to $3.449 million, or 10 cents per share, for the same period in 1989, based on the same number of average shares outstanding.

For the first six months, consolidated net income was $4.084 million, or 12 cents per share, compared to $6.942 million, or 21 cents per share, for the same period in 1989, based on the same number of average shares outstanding.

Carl S. Quinn, chairman and chief executive officer of Arkla Exploration, attributed the reduction in second quarter net income to lower prices for gas and oil, and higher depletion, depreciation and interest expenses.

Meanwhile, the company's production volumes, revenues and cash flow increased for both the quarter and the half.

Revenues for the second quarter of 1990 totaled $36.888 million, a 4.3 percent increase over 1989 revenues of $35.373 million. Revenues for the first half were $81.726 million, up 14.0 percent from $71.707 million for the first half of 1989. Also, net cash flow from operations (before net changes in working capital) for the second quarter increased 18.9 percent to $18.293 million, up from $15.388 million in 1989; and for the first six months increased 26.1 percent to $39.673 million, up from $31.470 million for the same period last year.

Continuing a trend from the first quarter, Quinn said the drop in operating income was partially offset by additional tax credits gained on increased tight sands gas production.

For the quarter, Arkla Exploration had total sales volumes of 22.5 billion cubic feet of natural gas and gas equivalent (Bcfe), up from 19.4 Bcfe for 1989, a 16.0 percent increase. Sales volumes for the six month period totaled 45.1 Bcfe, up 16.8 percent from 38.6 Bcfe.

During the second quarter, the average sales price for natural gas was $1.56 per thousand cubic feet (Mcf) compared to $1.75 per Mcf in 1989, and for the half was $1.73 per Mcf, down from $1.80 per Mcf in the first half of last year.

Average liquids prices for the second quarter were $17.51 per barrel, compared to $18.89 in 1989. For the half, it was $18.84 per barrel, up from $17.41 per barrel in 1989.

In making this announcement, Quinn also reported that at their regular meeting on Aug. 2, the board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 5 cents per share payable on Sept. 14, 1990, to all shareholders of record as of Aug. 24, 1990.

Arkla Exploration is one of the nation's largest independent gas and oil operators in terms of proved natural gas reserves, with more than 800 Bcfe of reserves. The company is actively engaged in the onshore exploration, development, production and marketing of natural gas and crude oil in the MidContinent and Gulf Coast regions of the United States.

CONTACT: Elvis Thronton, 318-429-2909, or Lou Resweber, 713-623-5033, both of Arkla Exploration Co.

-30- 3252

#90215p2082 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, AZ (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Composition Systems Inc. (DCS) wholly owned subsidiary of DCS International Systems Corp. (Vancouver: DCI), announced an exclusive international distribution agreement with Nantucket Corp. to distribute all dbPUBLISHER products outside North America.

DCS is the creator of the industry's first true Database Publishing technology, dbPUBLISHER Nantucket, a leading developer and publisher of dBASE language technology, is best recognized for its product Clipper. Together, dbPUBLISHER and Clipper provide developers and users with an uniquely powerful, single-source Database Publishing solution.

Under the terms of the agreement, Nantucket will purchase a minimum of $3,000,000 U.S. dollars in dbPUBLISHER products over the initial eighteen-month period of the agreement, or account for at least 40 percent of DCS' total revenues during the last twelve months of the period.

Nantucket, which has offices in the UK, Germany, Japan, Canada, the USSR and Belgium, will add dbPUBLISHER Professional, dbPUBLISHER Report Maker, and dbPUBLISHER for Ventura to its current product line. Nantucket will also introduce the German and French translations of the products this year.

Nantucket will use its international distributors to sell the product through both the reseller market, and directly to its rapidly expanding international user base.

The international partnership with Nantucket both complements dbPUBLISHER technology, and provides DCS with a strong international presence to dramatically increase the company's market share and revenues.

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#90215p2088 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of American Realty Trust Inc. (ART) (NYSE: ARB) today announced dividends will no longer be declared and paid on a quarterly basis. Dividend determination will be made at the end of the year.

The trust changed the dividend payment schedules in order to comply with the requirements of a loan agreement of ART's that restricts the amount of dividends paid to the amount of income the trust has during the year. As this amount cannot be determined on a quarterly basis, the board determined to declare distributions on an annual basis.

"We had previously based the dividend rate primarily on cash flow, but must now consider the level of the trust's earnings in order to comply with our loan agreement," said a spokesperson for the trust. "The mortgage defaults we announced last quarter are continuing to negatively impact cash flow and earnings. Also, although it has no impact on cash flow, our participation in the losses of the real estate investment trusts and partnership in which we own shares will also continue to depress earnings in the near future."

American Realty Trust Inc. is a real estate investment trust which primarily invests in mortgage loans, real estate and real estate-related entities.

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#90215p2089 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

GARDENA, CA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - American Honda Motor Co. Inc. today reported third 10-day, month-to-date and year-to-date automobile sales figures for July 1990:

	3rd 10-day 7/21-7/30		Month-to-date July		Year-to-date 1/1-7/30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total American Honda			81,182	72,971	515,439	452,955
Honda Div. Ttl.			68,006	60,206	430,537	369,130
Acura Div. Ttl.			13,176	12,765	84,902	83,825
Import sales			37,052	39,207	233,068	226,047
Honda Div.			23,876	26,442	148,166	142,222
Acura Div.			13,176	12,765	84,902	83,825
Domestic sales						
Honda Div.	23,020	13,966	44,130	33,764	282,371	226,908

Model Breakouts by division

Honda div. ttl.						
(Imp & Dom)			68,006	60,206	430,537	369,130
Civic(a)			20,807	19,272	158,533	138,171
Accord(a)			43,294	36,524	246,575	202,905
Prelude			3,905	4,410	25,429	28,054
(a) Domestic						
Ttl Memo	23,020	13,966	44,130	33,764	282,371	226,908
Civics	7,493	5,845	15,969	14,643	118,959	101,944
Accords	15,527	8,121	28,161	19,121	163,412	124,964
Acura Division						
Ttl			13,176	12,765	84,902	83,825
Legend			5,491	4,666	34,058	36,063
Integra			7,685	8,099	50,844	47,762

CONTACT: Kurt Antonius of American Honda Motor Co. Inc., 213-604-2584

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#90215p2090 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - When Candice Bergen announced the winner of Revlon's 1990 Unforgettable Woman Contest last night at the Metropolitan Museum of Art Temple of Dendur, a 19 year-old Grand Rapids, Mich., finalist stole the show.

Out of a total of nine finalists, introduced by Revlon model Cindy Crawford, Lisa Russell walked away with the honor of being in a Revlon ad and winning $25,000.

Lisa credits her unforgettable abilities to her grandfather-- "He taught me how to be strong and positive." This attitude has helped her develop a successful modeling career and pursue her professional ambition to become a singer and dancer. She looks at life as a learning experience and performing as a means of sharing and communicating life's experience with others.

As a young woman embarking on the '90s, Russell is looking forward to representing Revlon during the year.

Arnie Zimmerman, Revlon president of cosmetics and fragrances believes all the finalists were truly unforgettable. "Revlon is proud to honor women across the country for their unforgettable qualities. We are looking forward to a wonderful 1990 with Lisa Russell."

A distinguished panel of judges, including: Ford Model Agency President Jerry Ford, celebrity host Regis Philbin, Elite Modeling Agency President Monique Pillard, author Nancy Friday, noted psychologist Dr. Judy Kuriansky and fashion designer Diana von Furstenberg, made the final

decision. Judging criteria included overall beauty, personal style consistent with Revlon's image, poise and presence.

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#90215p2091 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CULVER CITY, CA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - David Gerber, chairman and chief executive officer of MGM/UA Television Production Group Inc., announced today that the studio and Timothy Busfield, who stars in the hit ABC series "thirtysomething," have satisfactorily resolved their differences. Production began Friday, Aug. 3, on the series' fourth season.

"We are pleased that Tim is returning to his Emmy-nominated role," said Gerber.

Busfield, who plays the beleaguered advertising executive and husband of cancer-stricken wife Nancy, was honored last Thursday with his third consecutive Emmy nomination as "Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Drama Series." He recently concluded a starring role in the Broadway production of "A Few Good Men."

"thirtysomething" is a production of the Bedford Falls Company in association with MGM/UA Television Production Group Inc.

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-30- 1141

#90215p2093 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB Texas National Bank (NYSE: NCB), as trustee of Sabine Royalty Trust, today announced a cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of $0.10666 per unit, payable Aug. 29, 1990 to unit holders of record on Aug. 15, 1990.

CONTACT: Ron E. Hooper of NCNB Texas National Bank, 214-508-2400

-30- 519

#90215p2094 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - ADC Telecommunications Inc. (NASDAQ: ADCT) announced today that its board of directors has appointed Marcelo A. Gumucio as a director of the company, to serve in office until reelected by shareholders at the 1991 annual meeting.

Gumucio was president, chief operating officer and a director of Cray Research Inc. from 1988 to July 1990. He joined Cray Research in 1983, as executive vice president of marketing.

Gumucio also held several executive management positions with Northern Telecom Inc. from 1979 to 1983. From 1975 to 1979, he was vice president/general manager of Americas and Asias Group, and later, president of Large Storage Systems Group at Memorex Corp. Gumucio is currently a director of MTS Systems Corp., Zycad Corp., and Quantum Corp.

ADC Telecommunications Inc. designs, manufactures and markets a wide variety of electronic and electromechanical circuit management devices used by telephone companies and in large private telecommunications networks.

CONTACT: Aimee Gallogly of ADC Telecommunications Inc., 612-893-3338

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#90215p2096 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Crompton & Knowles Corporation (NYSE: CNK) today announced that it has signed a definitive agreement to acquire the business and certain assets of Atlantic Industries, Inc., a producer of dyes for the textile and paper industries based in Nutley, N.J. While details of the proposed transaction were not disclosed, Crompton & Knowles did announce that the acquisition would be made for cash and is expected to be completed in the third quarter of this year.

Crompton & Knowles is a producer of dyes for textiles, specialty ingredients for foods and pharmaceuticals and extrusion equipment for the plastics industry.

Atlantic Industries, Inc. is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Great American Management and Investment, Inc. (NASDAQ: GAMI). Great American is a diversified company with interests in manufacturing, agricultural chemicals and fertilizers, and financial services.

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-30- 1155
#90215p2103 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA, (AUG.3) PR NEWSWIRE - International Octane Ltd. (IOL) has announced a $400-million world-scale, petrochemical complex for Qatar.

The plants, which will produce Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether (MTBE) and methanol, are being designed by Fluor Daniel Canada Inc. The facility is designed to produce 500,000 metric tons per year of MTBE and 2,000 metric

tons per day of methanol.

President Robert McBean says International Octane Ltd. signed an agreement with the Qatar General Petroleum Corp. (QGPC) whereby the two companies will form a joint venture company to own and operate the facility. The agreement was signed on June 24, 1990, following the completion of the feasibility work coordinated by Fluor Daniel Canada Inc. McBean adds, ''Demand for MTBE is growing worldwide as the need for environmentally compatible octane enhancers increases. This combined with the availability of low cost, secure butane and natural gas feed stock for the life of the project in Qatar ensure its commercial viability.''

Fluor Daniel Canada President A.B. (Sandy) McArthur says this is the second world-scale MTBE plant to be designed in the company's Calgary offices, ''Our 3D CADD (Computer Assisted Design and Drafting) system provides design enhancements and increased engineering productivity necessary to meet the construction driven FAST TRACK project execution plan.'' He also notes that Fluor Daniel has been a leading engineering contractor on Middle Eastern projects for over three decades.

Qatar, located on the Arabian Gulf, has the single largest known gas condensate reservoir, estimated at 300TCF which is expected to be on stream at an initial rate of 800 mmcf/day late this year.

CONTACT: Robert (Bob) McBean, International Octane Ltd., 403-232-8880; or A.B. (Sandy) McArthur of Fluor Daniel Canada Inc., 403-259-1217

-30- 2048

#90215p2106 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARSON, CALIF. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Nissan Motor Corp. in U.S.A. announced the following car and truck sales for the month of July:

	Final 10 Days		
CARS	1990	1989	
Domestic	4,829	4,477	
Import	--	--	
TOTAL	--	--	TRUCK
Domestic	5,600	4,630	
Import	--	--	
TOTAL	--	--	
	Month End		
CAR	1990	1989	
Domestic	9,349	10,017	
Import	27,487	33,014	
TOTAL	36,836	43,031	TRUCK
Domestic	11,237	10,844	
Import	2,709	1,733	

TOTAL	13,946	12,577	
	CALENDAR YEAR-TO-DATE		
CARS	1990	1989	
Domestic	57,909	60,623	
Import	199,058	245,855	
TOTAL	256,967	306,478	TRUCK
Domestic	79,090	77,116	
Import	19,063	14,676	
TOTAL	98,153	91,792	

These domestic vehicles are manufactured at Nissan's United States Manufacturing plant in Smyrna, Tenn.

CONTACT: Bill Pauli, 213-719-5631, or E.C. Mueller, 213-719-5663, both of Nissan Motor Corp. in U.S.A.

-30- 1898

#90215p2107 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELVILLE, NY (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Aviation Education Systems, Inc. (PHLX: AES.X), announced today its preliminary results for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990. The company estimates reporting net revenues of $2,200,000 for which it will sustain a net loss of approximately $900,000. A substantial part of this loss results from the settlement of an outstanding disputed account for $234,000 and non-recurring expenses occurring in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, including increased expenses associated with the implementation of a new seminar program which has since been discontinued. Approximately $300,000 of this loss is attributable to expenses incurred during prior periods, a significant portion of which relates to the third quarter, which were not accrued by the company.

The company has also substantially reduced its operating expenses since fiscal year end, including the restructuring of its seminar programs.

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#90215p2108 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Hecla Mining Co. (NYSE, PSE: HL) has announced that the Apex Unit in Utah will suspend processing ore from the Apex mine effective Aug. 5. The decision was prompted by the continuing decline in germanium and gallium prices in the world market, with no significant improvement in price expected in the near future. However, the company is investigating the possibility of utilizing the plant to produce germanium, gallium and other metals from higher grade

feedstocks.

The Apex Unit, which produces sodium germanate, achieved start-up in February after undergoing a complete refurbishing of the plant. Unfortunately, Apex experienced metallurgical and operational difficulties which make it imprudent to process Apex ore at current prices.

The suspension of production at Apex will result in a reduction of approximately half of the plant's work force, affecting about 40 full-time employees. Hecla Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Arthur Brown said, "The continuing decline in the price of germanium and gallium is unfortunate for the Apex operation. Until the price of these metals improves, production from lower grade ore such as is found at the Apex mine can't be justified economically." Brown said he is optimistic that the plant will be in operation in the future.

Hecla Mining Co., headquartered in Coeur D'Alene, Idaho, is a leading domestic producer of newly mined silver and gold, and a supplier of premium ball clay, kaolin and specialty aggregates. The company has operations and projects under development in 12 states and three Canadian provinces.

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-30- 1856

#90215p2109 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CALIF. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Hyundai Motor America today announced that it sold 10,669 automobiles in the month of July 1990:

Following is the sales breakdown:

Car Line	July '90	July '89	CY '90	CY '89
Sonata	2,420	3,185	18,486	19,640
Excel	8,249	10,413	62,056	92,248
Total	10,669	13,498	80,542	111,888

Hyundai Motor America has sold over 960,477 vehicles since entering the U.S. market in 1986. Besides introducing the new midsize Sonata V-6 and an all-new redesigned version in 1990 of the award winning Excel, the company plans to introduce the Scoupe, a sporty car, aimed at young buyers seeking stylish, economical transportation, in September.

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#90215p2111 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CYPRESS, CALIF. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America

Inc. today posted year-to-date sales of 126,918 units for the month of July, representing a 62 percent increase over the same period last year. Passenger car sales were up 13 percent from a year earlier, reaching 9,673 units.

"Continued support from our growing dealer body has been on the upswing," said Rick Lepley, vice president of sales. "We're currently ahead of our sales projections and expect volume to further increase with the introduction of several new vehicles for the 1991 model line."

This fall, Mitsubishi will introduce the 3000GT and Galant VR-4, offering consumers a new choice in afforable technology. Both vehicles combine the benefits of all-wheel drive, four-wheel steering, four-wheel independent suspension and four-wheel anti-lock brakes in one integrated package.

Additiona vehicle volume will be available with the U.S. production of the subcompact Mirage, added Lepley. The four-door sedan will be Mitsubishi's second American built product and for 1991 will be available with a new selection of engines and trim levels.

Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc., Cypress, Calif., was established in 1981 by Mitsubishi Motors Corp., Tokyo, and markets a full line of subcompacts, compacts, sport coupes, luxury cars, vans, light trucks and sport/utility vehicles.

MITSUBISHI MOTOR SALES OF AMERICA INC.

	July '90 Month/YTD	July '89 Month/YTD	Percent Change Month/YTD
Total car	9,673/107,555	8,543/60,289	+13/+78
Total truck	2,494/19,363	2,899/18,102	-14/+7
Total vehicle	12,167/126,918	11,442/78,391	+6/+62

(1) Above sales include domestic totals.

	July '90 Month/YTD	July '89 Month/YTD	Percent Change Month/YTD Total
Domestic	3,501/30,792	2,883/14,113	+21/+118

CONTACT: Debbie Stearn of Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc., 818-509-1840

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#90215p2112 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

TRAVERSE CITY, MICH. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald W. Ableson, program manager for the Chevrolet-Pontiac-GM of Canada Group, will present the story of the development and manufacture of the new multi- purpose APV minivan at the University of Michigan's Management Briefing Seminars in Traverse City, Aug. 6-10. The weeklong conference will be held at the Grand Traverse Resort with Ableson addressing the group on Monday, Aug. 6,

as the conference focuses on "World Class Manufacturing."

GM's new minivan, the result of a unique team effort, sets a new standard for design, structure, material usage and manufacturing processes in the automobile industry.

"We created a new manufacturing process by a unique combination of proven technologies and truly revolutionary techniques," Albeson commented. "The result is a new system that efficiently produces a unique new minivan." The APV, a front-wheel-drive minivan, features large reinforced composite panels adhesively bonded to a space frame structure and new, customer-focused features designed to make this vehicle a driving delight.

The premier engineering feat on these new models is the body construction. The vehicle begins with a space frame body structure. The 110-inch wheelbase foundation for this body structure has an integrated ladder frame with full-length longitudinal rails and supporting cross members, which enhances its cargo-carrying capability. Large exterior body panels made of reinforced composite materials, similar to those used on the Chevrolet Corvette, are then adhesively bonded to the space frame. Bonding adds to the integral structure of the frame.

Flexible fascias and a unique, friendly front fender are made of reinforced reaction injection molded material (RRIM). In fact, the fender represents the first commercial application of polyurea RRIM on a major body panel. It is mechanically attached to the space frame and is painted with the body, eliminating the need for separate paint support fixtures.

The composite panels allow for distinctive, innovative styling while providing "friendly" surfaces and increased dimensional accuracy for fits and finishes, and eliminating corrosion. With this body construction method, no sheet metal is exposed on the vehicle, except for the scalp and reveal moldings around the doors and windshield. Together, the panels and space frame form a body that provides a solid structure for ride and handling properties.

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#90215p2118 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines said today that dividends on the company's $2.84 Depositary Preferred Shares (EAL PrD), representing interests in the company's 11.36 percent cumulative junior preferred stock will be paid in cash by Continental Airlines Holdings, Inc. (AMEX: CTA) (formerly Texas Air Corporation) pursuant to Continental Holding's

guarantee of dividend payments at a rate of $.7100 payable on Aug. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Aug. 15, 1990.

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-30- 703

#90215p2122 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Lexington Precision Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: LEXP) reported a net loss of $522,000, or 16 cents per common share, for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, as compared to a net loss of $256,000, or 7 cents per common share, for the quarter ended May 31, 1989. Net sales for the quarter were $17,766,000 as compared to $17,309,000 in the previous year.

Results for the quarters ended June 30, 1990, and May 31, 1989, include write-downs of marketable securities totaling $182,000 and $492,000, respectively. During the quarters ended June 30, 1990, and May 31, 1989, the company recorded direct charges to stockholders' equity totaling $466,000 and $1,028,000, respectively, to reduce the carrying value of common stock held for long-term investment purposes to the lower of cost or market value.

The company reported net earnings of $1,447,000, or 31 cents per common share, for the six months ended June 30, 1990, as compared to a net loss of $850,000, or 23 cents per common share, for the six months ended May 31 1989. Net sales for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were $37,122,000 as compared to $33,356,000 in the previous year.

Results of operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990, and May 31, 1989, including: pre-tax net gains from the sales of marketable securities of $1,378,000 and $694,000, respectively; write-downs of marketable securities totaling $182,000 and $2,142,000, respectively; and extraordinary credits of $266,000 and $110,000 as a result of income tax benefits arising from the utilization of operating loss carryforwards, respectively. During the six months ended June 30, 1990, and May 31, 1989 the company recorded direct charges to stockholders' equity of $983,000 and $1,830,000, respectively, to reduce the carrying value of common stock held for long-term investment purposes to the lower of cost or market value.

Effective Dec. 31, 1989, the company changed its fiscal year-end from May 31 to Dec. 31. Accordingly, the company's statements of operations compare the three and six months ended June 30, 1990, with the three and six months ended May 31, 1989.

Lexington Precision Corporation manufactures metal and rubber components which are used by some of America's leading manufacturers of office

equipment, computers, televisions, medical devices, industrial equipment and automobiles. Principal manufacturing facilities are located in Casa Grande, Ariz.; Blue Ridge and Jasper, Ga.; Lakewood, Manchester, Rochester and Silver Springs, N.Y.; Warren, Ohio; and Rock Hill, S.C.

LEXINGTON PRECISION CORPORATION
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited; amounts in thousands, except per-share amounts)

Periods ended:	Three months		Six months	
	6/30/90	5/31/89	6/30/90	5/31/89
Net sales	$17,766	$17,309	$37,122	$33,356
Earns. (loss) from continuing opers. bef. inc. taxes & extraordinary items	(582)	150	(273)	(936)
Income tax expense (credit)	(250)	120	(160)	(354)
Earns. (loss) from continuing opers. bef. extraordinary items	(332)	30	(113)	(582)
Loss from operation of discontinued business, net of applic. inc. taxes	--	(346)	--	(378)
Loss before extraordinary items	(332)	(316)	(113)	(960)
Extraordinary items:				
Repurchase of 12-3/4 pct. notes	--	--	1,294	--
Utilization (reduction in utilization) of loss carryfrwrds.	(190)	60	266	110
Net earnings (loss)	(522)	(256)	1,447	(850)
Earns. (loss) per common & dilutive common equivalent shares:				
Earns. (loss) from continuing opers. bef. extraord. items	$(.11)	--	$(.08)	$(.16)
Loss from operation of discontinued business	--	(.09)	--	(.10)
Loss before extraordinary items	(.11)	(.09)	(.08)	(.26)
Extraordinary items:				
Repurchase of 12-3/4 percent notes	--	--	.32	--
Utilization (reduction in utilization) of loss carryfrwrds.	(.05)	.02	.07	.03
Net earnings (loss)	(.16)	(.07)	.31	(.23)
Avg. common & dilutive common equivalent shares outstanding	4,049	3,956	4,049	3,956

CONTACT: Warren Delano Jr., president of Lexington Precision, 212-557-6683

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#90215p2127 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors dealers in the United States today reported the following vehicle sales:

	Period July 21-31		Month July 1-31		Calendar Year(b) Jan. 1-July 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989 Total
Vehicles	184,234	159,575	455,135	443,782	3,082,526	3,135,127
Percent Change Per S/D	+15.4	---	+2.6	---	-1.7	---
Total Cars	119,436	104,756	296,008	294,063	2,050,004	2,130,972
Percent Change Per S/D	+14.0	---	+0.7	---	-3.8	---
Total Trucks	64,798(a	54,819	159,127(a	149,719	1,032,522	1,004,155
Percent Change Per S/D	+18.2	---	+6.3	---	+2.8	---

Division	Period July 21-31		Month July 1-31		Calendar Year Jan. 1-July 31	
Total Vehicles	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989
Chevrolet	96,469	85,280	248,658	241,837	1,659,299	1,638,742
Pontiac	25,133	19,477	58,266	55,466	409,011	427,116
Oldsmobile	19,309	19,212	47,329	50,211	328,560	368,582
Buick	21,751	16,531	47,979	46,487	316,952	325,773
Cadillac	7,000	6,966	18,153	17,994	153,627	152,589
GMC	14,572	12,109	34,750	31,787	215,077	222,325
Domestic Sales Cars	112,817	98,310	279,055	277,921	1,933,665	2,030,493
Lt. Duty Trucks	63,018	53,554	155,241	146,227	1,009,478	976,522

NOTE: Nine selling days (S/D) in the July 21-31 period this year and last; 25 selling days for the July 1-31 period this year and last year.

(a) -- Record. (b) -- Year-to-year percent change is not adjusted for selling days. Comment by J.B. Fitzpatrick, vice president for the General Motors Marketing and Product Planning Staff:

General Motors closed out the month of July on a strong sales note. GM total vehicle sales of 455,135 units for the month moved up 2.6 percent over the same period last year. Car sales rose 0.7 percent for the month and truck sales were up 6.3 percent to post a new truck sales record for July.

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-30- 2476

#90215p2133 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MAHWAH, N.J. (AUG. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Jaguar Cars Inc. today reported that

total unit sales for July 1990, were 1,410 compared with 1,472 during August 1989, a 4.2 percent decrease.

Sedan retail sales for the month of August 1990 were 1,084 units versus 1,168 in the prior year's period. XJ-S sports coupe and convertible retail sales for the month were 326 compared with 304 units in the same period last year.

Total year-to-date sales stand at 10,860, a increase of 0.2 percent over the 10,837 units sold in the same period in 1989.

Jaguar Cars Inc. is the U.S. subsidiary of Jaguar Ltd.

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-30- 814

#90215p2134 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PATERSON, NJ (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Net income of $524,000 or $.32 per share was reported by Broadway Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: BFCP) for the three months ended June 30, 1990. In the comparable period a year ago Broadway earned $829,000 or $.50 per share.

Broadway Financial is the holding company for Broadway Bank & Trust Company, a regional bank serving Northern New Jersey.

Second quarter profits, explained Peter M. Kolben, president, were achieved while recording a provision for loan losses of $1.1 million during the period. Nonperforming loans are $15,690,000 compared to $12,784,000 as of the end of the first quarter, 1990. Kolben added that the bank's capital ratios continue well within regulatory requirements.

Book value per share amounted to $12.82 at June 30, 1990, compared with $12.62 at the end of the first quarter and $13.42 a year ago.

Assets, loan levels and deposits all were higher in 1990 than a year earlier. Assets rose to $441 million from $404 million, loan levels increased to $344 million from $310 million, and deposits totaled $375 million versus $331 million a year ago.

For the six months ended June 30, Broadway reported a loss of $1,107,000 or $.68 per share in 1990 versus net income of $1,752,000 or $1.05 per share in 1989.

Broadway Bank operates 10 offices in Bergen, Essex, Morris and Passaic Counties.

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PITTSBURGH (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Allegheny International, Inc. (AI), (NYSE: AG) today reported its results for the third quarter of the 1990 fiscal year which ended on July 1, 1990.

AI reported third quarter fiscal 1990 sales of $237.3 million and a net loss of $32.1 million, or a loss of $3.51 per common share. That compares to sales of $234.9 million and a net loss of $15.3 million, equivalent to a loss per common share of $2.10, for the third quarter of fiscal 1989.

AI's consumer products companies reported operating earnings of $4.1 million in the fiscal year 1990 third quarter, as compared to $5.8 million in the fiscal 1989 third quarter. Sales and operating earnings of AI's barbecue grill business in the fiscal 1990 third quarter were well ahead of the prior year as favorable customer reaction to added product features resulted in higher unit sales and a shift in sales mix to higher margin products. AI's outdoor furniture business' operating earnings were reduced in the 1990 third quarter by unfavorable manufacturing and overhead variances resulting from lower than anticipated year-to-date sales and production levels. Third quarter 1990 results for most of AI's other businesses were below 1989 levels, which is believed to be due in part to a general slowdown in consumer spending and the unstable financial condition of several major retail customers. However, customer orders for small appliances and electric blankets have shown improvement during the last several weeks, and current open orders are above the level at this time last year.

AI also recorded a provision of $13.1 million in the 1990 third quarter for costs associated with the consolidation of its Canadian small appliance and electric blanket businesses, the liquidation of its electric blanket operations in the United Kingdom, and the consolidation of manufacturing operations for its outdoor furniture business.

The $10 million loss from discontinued operations in the 1990 third quarter reflects a provision for estimated additional costs of environmental obligations relating to a previously-divested business.

For the fiscal 1990 nine-month period, AI reported sales of $704.8 million and a net loss of $42.6 million, compared to sales of $730.2 million and a net loss of $18.2 million for the nine-month period of fiscal 1989. AI lost $5.89 per common share in the fiscal 1990 period, compared to a loss per share of $3.75 in the nine-month period of fiscal 1989.

Pittsburgh-based AI manufactures and markets consumer products that include small household appliances, electric blankets, outdoor furniture, and barbecue grills.

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DIBOLL, TEXAS (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Temple-Inland Inc. (NYSE: TIN) today announced the promotion of M. Richard Warner to vice chairman of the board of its Guaranty Federal Savings Bank subsidiary, a new position, and H. J. Shands III, to treasurer of Temple-Inland Inc. succeeding Warner.

Warner will be based at Guaranty's home office in Dallas and report to Richard M. Jones, chairman and chief executive officer. At Guaranty, a thrift with over $4 billion in assets and 52 branches in Texas, Warner will assist Jones in oversight of the bank's operations.

Shands has been senior vice president and treasurer of Lumbermen's Investment Corporation, Temple-Inland's mortgage banking company based in Austin, and will continue to reside there. He will continue with his LIC responsibilities and as treasurer of Temple-Inland, will report to W. Wayne McDonald, executive vice president and chief financial officer.

Warner, who had been treasurer of Temple-Inland since 1986, previously was in the office of general counsel of Temple-Inland Forest Products Corporation from 1983-85. He was in private law practice from 1976 to 1983.

He earned his bachelor of business administration degree from Baylor University in 1974 and his J.D. degree from Baylor Law School in 1975.

Shands joined LIC in 1988 as senior vice president-regional production and was promoted to treasurer in September 1989.

He began his business career with Republic Bank, Dallas in 1977 and moved to Republic Bank, Lufkin in 1980, rising to vice chairman and chief executive officer in 1986.

He is a 1977 graduate of the University of Texas where he earned a B.B.A. in finance, and attended the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking in Dallas in 1985.

Temple-Inland Inc., based in Diboll, is a major manufacturer of paper, packaging and building products, in addition to its financial services operations.

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DETROIT (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors said today that it has completed distribution of $308 million in annual vacation pay and paid absence allowance to approximately 139,000 U.S. hourly employees with seniority dates between Jan. 1 and June 30.

Of the total payment, $284 million was for vacation pay and $24 million was for paid absence allowance not used during the eligibility period.

This payment is in addition to the $424 million in vacation pay and paid absence allowance GM distributed last January to approximately 186,000 hourly employees with seniority dates between July 1 and Dec. 31.

During 1990, payments to GM U.S. hourly employees for vacation pay and paid absence allowance totaled more than $732 million.

GM hourly employees may receive 40 to 160 hours in annual vacation pay, depending on seniority and pay periods worked in the preceding eligibility year. Payments are based on the employee's hourly rate of pay plus any shift premium. Paid absence allowance may be an additional 40 hours per year.

In keeping with GM's current contractual agreements, hourly employees receive vacation pay allowance regardless of whether or not they take vacation time. If vacation time is not taken, employees receive their regular wage plus a vacation pay allowance.

These payments are part of a total cash compensation received by GM hourly employees which averages approximately $44,000 per employee on an annualized basis. When benefits are included, the average annual compensation cost per employee amounts to approximately $62,000.

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#90215p2145 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, COLO. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Wiland Services Inc. (NASDAQ: WSVS), announced today its 9th consecutive profitable quarter. Earnings for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $233,000, or 6 cents per share.

Phillip A. Wiland, president and chief executive officer, commented that "these results represent the third best second quarter in the history of our company. Although earnings are down from our record second quarter of

last year, I am very pleased with our overall results, especially in light of our investment in the rapid growth of our consumer products product line."

Operating revenues were $7,362,000 - an 18 percent increase over revenues of $6,245,000 for the like period in 1989. The company had net income of $233,000 or 6 cents per share, compared to net income of $564,000 or 16 cents per share in the second quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, operating revenues were $13,604,000 -- an 18 percent increase over revenues of $11,508,000 for the like period in 1989. The company had net income of $266,000 or 7 cents per share, compared to net income of $753,000 or 21 cents per share for the first six months of 1989.

Wiland Services, a direct marketing company, specializes in direct marketing services and consumer products. The company's direct marketing services include database management, list enhancement, marketing research list fulfillment, computer printing, information services and mailing lists which assist direct marketers with the planning and implementation of their marketing programs.

The company also sells products direct to individual consumers. Under the trade name Colorful Images, the company sells personalized labels, stationery, note pads, note cards and other products.

Headquartered in Boulder, the company has production facilities in Boulder and Fredericksburg, Va., and sells its products and services nationwide.

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#90215p2146 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, CO. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Wiland Services Inc. (NASDAQ: WSVS), announced today its 9th consecutive profitable quarter. Earnings for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $233,000, or 6 cents per share.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today released the following debenture announcement:

Date of Offering: Aug. 8, 1990 Issue Date: Aug. 10, 1990 Term: 4 years 30 years Callable on or after: 8/10/92 8/10/95 Amount (millions): $500 $450 Maturity Date: 8/10/94 8/10/20 Date of First Interest Payment (then semi-annually): 2/10/91 2/10/91 Date interest rates and prices will be announced: Aug. 7, 1990

The debentures of Aug. 10, 1994 and the debentures of Aug. 10, 2020, are redeemable on or after Aug. 10, 1992, and Aug. 10, 1995, respectively, in whole or in part at the option of the corporation at any time (and from time to time). The redemption price of the debentures of Aug. 10, 1994, will be 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption. The redemption price of the debentures of Aug. 10, 2020, initially will be a percentage of the principal amount redeemed to be announced at the pricing of the issue on Aug. 7, 1990, plus

accrued interest on the principal amount redeemed. The redemption price of the debentures of Aug. 10, 2020, will decrease annually on each Aug. 10 commencing Aug. 10, 1996, through Aug. 10, 2015, as will be set forth in the Supplement to the Guide to Debt Securities information statement relating to those debentures. The amount payable for any redemptions on or after Aug. 10, 2015, and at maturity will be equal to 100 percent of the then outstanding principal balance, plus accrued interest.

The net proceeds of this offering will be added to the working capital of Fannie Mae and used for general corporate purposes.

Debentures will be issued in book-entry form only. The minimum purchase is $10,000 and multiples of $5,000 thereafter. The offering is being made through Fannie Mae's Senior Vice President - Finance and Treasurer Gary L. Perlin, and Vice President and Assistant Treasurer Linda K. Knight, 3900 Wisconsin Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20016, assisted by a nationwide selling group of recognized securities dealers.

The issues that are offered on Aug. 8, 1990, will be free to trade at 8:20 a.m. EDT.

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#90215p2153 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Henry H. Harrell, President and Chief Executive Officer of Universal Corporation (NYSE: UVV), announced today the unaudited results for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. Net income for the year was $45.1 million as compared to last year's $54.0 million. On a per share basis earnings were $2.69 against $3.19 for the prior year. There was a loss of $4.5 million in the fourth quarter or 25 cents per share as compared to a profit of $1.8 million or 11 cents per share for the same quarter last year.

Gross revenues of $2.8 billion were reported for the fiscal year, slightly below the $2.9 billion of fiscal 1989. For the fourth quarter, gross revenues were $543 million as compared to $572 million in the same quarter of the prior year.

Overall results from domestic tobacco improved with a major contribution coming from increased productivity due to previously made capital expenditures. Because of a small burley crop, the total volume of domestic tobacco processed was approximately the same as last year. Foreign source tobacco earnings were good but because of reduced earnings from Brazil and the European companies, earnings did not equal the record level of 1989.

One of the sharpest declines in the real estate economy in this country in many years resulted in Lawyers Title being unprofitable in the fiscal year. In reaction to this, staff was reduced 11 percent and the company wrote off certain non-income producing assets.

Deli Universal's lumber and building products distribution business had another exceptional year while operating results in agri-products were mixed.

The previously announced negotiations to acquire Gebrueder Kulenkampff AG are expected to be completed by the end of August. The negotiations for the purchase of the leaf operations of R.J. Reynolds Tabacos do Brazil, Ltd. from Dibrell Brothers, Inc. have been terminated. To support the financing of the GK acquisition and other corporate needs, the Company recently completed a revolving credit and term loan agreement totaling $150 million.

The Board of Directors fixed the voting record date of September 4th for the annual meeting of shareholders on October 23, 1990. The Board declared a dividend of thirty-seven cents ($.37) per share on the common stock payable November 1, 1990 to shareholders of record on October 1, 1990.

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#90215p2154 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOBILE, AL (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Morrison Inc. (NASDAQ: MORR) reported today that its year-end audit is now complete, and as a result, it is adjusting its previously announced unaudited earnings for Fiscal Year 1990 to $22,952,000 ($1.33 a share).

The reduction of $4,541,000 (27 cents per share) resulted primarily from increases in accruals for fringe benefits, revised estimates of the ultimate cost of self-insured workers compensation claims, and revised estimates of the net realizable value of assets of previously closed units.

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#90215p2155 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DIBOLL, TX (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Temple-Inland Inc. (NYSE: TIN) today declared a regular dividend of 20 cents per common share, payable Sept. 14, 1990 to shareholders of record Aug. 31, 1990. Temple-Inland common stock is traded on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

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#90215p2158 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Centaur Partners Group today issued the following statement about the quarterly report of earnings released by National Intergroup, Inc. (NYSE: NII):

"While we are disappointed with the size of the writeoffs taken by the board, they do not materially affect our estimate of the inherent values of National Intergroup's assets. We remain committed to a timely sale of all of the assets of National Intergroup, and distribution of the proceeds to shareholders, as the best means to maximize shareholder values."

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#90215p2159 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Commercial Metals Co. (NYSE: CMC) headquartered in Dallas, and Siskin Steel & Supply Co. Inc. of Chattanooga Tenn., have entered into an agreement which will result in CMC acquiring substantially all the operating assets related to Siskin's scrap recycling operation. Siskin will retain, operate and expand its new steel service center chain. The closing date for the agreement has been set for mid-September 1990.

In making the announcement Harry J. Heinkele, president of CMC's Secondary Metals Processing Division, said the company will consolidate Siskin's scrap processing operation into CMC's current location, 400 East 20th in Chattanooga. "New equipment on order, along with that of both operations will allow CMC to expand its existing plant and provide all Chattanooga area scrap generators with continued excellent service."

Siskin Steel & Supply Co., a privately owned enterprise, was founded as a Chattanooga scrap recycling company over 90 years ago. It has grown into a multi-location steel service center chain as well as a scrap processing company. Mervin Pregulman, president of Siskin Steel, said the agreement with CMC will allow Siskin to concentrate its total resources to accelerate expansion of its steel service center division, which now serves the states of Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Kentucky and Mississippi.

Commercial Metals Co. was founded 75 years ago as a scrap metal recycling company and has now grown into an organization consisting of three steel

mini-mills, steel fabrication shops, a copper tube plant, over 30 scrap recycling sites and world-wide trading in various minerals, metals and semi-fabricated, nonferrous metal.

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#90215p2162 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

EVANSVILLE, IND. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: SIG) reported earnings per share of 66 cents for the three months ended June 30, 1990, compared to 57 cents in 1989. Increases in retail electric sales and wholesale electric sales, up 2 percent and 29 percent, respectively, were offset by scheduled maintenance project expenditures at one of the company's major generating stations causing electric operating income to remain flat for the quarter while gas operating income increased due to improved margins on gas sales.

For the first six months of 1990, earnings per share were up 11 cents from the same period in 1989. Improved electric sales were more than offset by scheduled maintenance project expenditures which caused a slight decrease in electric operating income while gas operating income increased due to improved margins on gas sales.

Earnings per share of $2.92 for the twelve months ended June 30, 1990 represents a 1.0 percent decrease compared to the prior period of $2.95. The decrease is attributed to much cooler summer weather in 1989 and increased plant maintenance expenditures, partially offset by an increased customer base and increased earnings on cash investments.

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#90215p2164 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Hotelecopy Inc.'s (NASDAQ-NMS: FAXM) fourth quarter witnessed nationwide installation of FaxMail terminals in accordance with its U.S. Postal Service joint-venture and expansion of its relationship with MCI Telecommunications Corporation. Full fiscal year revenues continued to rise as profitability remained limited due to outlays in connection with Hotelecopy's FaxMail Postal Service program and the company's overall growth.

"Hotelecopy's ultra-sophisticated FaxMail terminals are now in place in key markets across America," said Edd Helms, chairman and president of Miami-based Hotelecopy, the world's largest public access facsimile

network. "To support the program, a creative, hard-hitting marketing campaign aimed at our target publics is going into full gear. Normally, it takes several months for marketing to catch up with product," Helms advised, "but, when it does, we expect to be looking at substantial usage figures." Most of the nation's 40,000 post offices could eventually be included in the FaxMail program, Helms pointed out.

RAPID GROWTH LIMITS PROFITABILITY

Rapid growth again limited profitability this quarter, due specifically to outlays for installation of sophisticated, credit-card operated, self-service facsimile terminals in post office lobbies and other high-traffic sites throughout the nation. Additional expenditures were incurred in marketing, servicing and developing new products. The company reported net loss of $214,000 or $.11 per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 on revenues of $1,419,000 comparable with net profit of $205,000 or $.20 per share on revenues of $1,455,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Net income for the 12 months ended May 31, 1990, totaled $151,000 or $.09 per share compared with $409,000 or $.40 per share over the same period last year. Average shares outstanding during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were 88 percent greater than the comparable quarter one year ago. For the 12 months of fiscal 1990, average shares outstanding exceed the prior comparable period by 59 percent.

FIVE-POINT PROGRAM MARKS EXPANDED HOTELECOPY/MCI RELATIONSHIP

Hotelecopy expanded its relationship with MCI via a five-point program aimed principally at the lodging industry, the business travel market and the U.S. Postal Service. "In place is a co-marketing agreement whereby MCI supports Hotelecopy in promoting and advertising our new FaxMail service to the public. The main thrust of that agreement is to inform all target audiences that Hotelecopy FaxMail, using the MCI fax network, is available in various locations, including hotels and post office lobbies, is an alternative to overnight delivery and provides convenient 24-hour facsimile service," Helms explained. The agreement allows MCI to handle all of Hotelecopy's administrative long-distance telephone traffic, as well as fax traffic for the more than 2,100 hotels and post office lobbies in the Hotelecopy network. In addition, a "Corporate Affinity" program will see Hotelecopy marketing MCI's voice services via recommendations to its member hotels.

CONTRACT RENEWALS A KEY INDICATOR; HOTELETICKET CONTINUES GROWTH PATTERN

Helms noted that the renewal rate for Hotel contracts, a key indicator of the corporation's profitability, averages 84 percent with Hotelecopy FaxMail placement in hotel sites now numbering 1,750 nationwide, as compared with 1,577 for the same period last year. The growth of average revenues per machine in hotels showed a year-to-year increase of over six

percent to $3,254 per machine, vs. $3,076.

The fourth quarter saw Hoteleticket, Hotelecopy's subsidiary company, purchase 50 additional satellite ticket printers in line with expansion of it's Travel Agent Satellite Ticketing program. Aggressively seeking to develop its outreach in other areas, Hoteleticket has initiated solicitation of corporate businesses to attract corporate clients to its hotels. In a significant development, ARC (Airline Reporting Corporation) agreed to establish an ETDN (Electronic Ticketing Distribution Network) that can be used by all travel agencies. ARC's ETDN approval provides Hoteleticket -- with its established locations and acceptance of its highly-regarded technology among travel agents across America -- an immediate advantage over the rest of the industry. Hoteleticket has now signed more than 178 contracts with hotels to provide instantaneous airline ticketing and reservations to hotel guests.

OTHER HIGHTLIGHTS

In ceremonies at Postal Service Headquarters in Washington, D.C., U.S. Postmaster General Anthony M. Frank and Edd Helms issued a joint proclamation of support for the FaxMail Program, designating June 25-July 1 as National FaxMail Week. Heavy favorable press coverage continued in all media nationwide including a story on Hotelecopy in the April 16th issue of Business Week. Reviewing Florida's top 50 public companies, Florida Trend, a highly respected regional business publication, ranked Hotelecopy 2nd in return on equity and 31st in return on assets for fiscal 1989.

FAVORABLE OUTLOOK

"Hotelecopy remains optimistic concerning the future," Helms emphasized. "Profitability in the long-term continues as our prime objective and we fully expect to maintain our revenue growth."

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#90215p2166 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

VERNON, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Far West is actively pursuing the international market. Its International Export Division advises Canadian consulates and embassies on Far West's export-ready status as well as catering to and servicing the field. Far West is now investigating the markets in 35 countries and has made contact with over 100 marketing and/or trading companies, inviting discussion on the distribution and sales potential for all Far West products. The international response to Far West has been very positive and is fueling enthusiasm at Far West Industries as they challenge the world market.

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#90215p2168 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH, (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Cellular One Mobile Phone Co. announced today the completion of five new cell sites at a cost of $1.8 million enhancing cellular phone service in Pittsburgh and expanding service for Erie cellular phone customers.

The new cells are located in downtown Pittsburgh, enhancing downtown coverage (especially portable phone coverage); East End, improving service in East Liberty, Mellon Park, Fifth Avenue, and Point Breeze, and Brentwood at the intersection of Routes 51 and 88, covering those heavy traffic routes and Whitehall.

In addition, cellular service has been expanded in Erie, with a new site located in the downtown area covering Presque Isle State Park, and another west of Erie in Girard, Pa., -- totaling three cell sites in Erie.

The expansion increases the number of cells in the Pittsburgh region to 42 with total system coverage at approximately 7,500 square miles.

With cellular technology, a geographic area is divided into a number of "cells," each with its own low-powered radio transmitter linked to a central switching computer. As cellular telephone users drive from one cell to another, the system "hands off" the call from one transmitter to another with uninterrupted phone service.

Cellular One Mobile Phone Co. is owned by Associated Communications Inc. of Pittsburgh (NASDAQ: ACCM) and McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: MCAWA) of Seattle, Wash., the largest national cellular service provider, with systems in 600 cities across 27 states.

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#90215p2170 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROY, UTAH (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Iomega Corp. (NASDAQ: IOMG) announced today that the board of directors of Iomega authorized the repurchase of up to 1,000,000 shares of its common stock on the open market or in negotiated transactions. The repurchased shares will be used primarily for the company's stock option and employee stock purchase plans. Iomega has approximately 15,010,132 shares of common stock outstanding.

Iomega Corp., Roy, Utah, develops, manufactures and sells high-performance removable mass storage products for desktop computers. Iomega's patented Bernoulli technology provides unlimited data storage capability by

combining the removability of floppy drives with the high capacity and performance of rigid drives. Iomega's stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol IOMG.

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#90215p2173 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW BEDFORD, MA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Aerovox Incorporated (NASDAQ: ARVX) and The First National Bank of Boston (FNBB) reached an agreement on July 31, 1990, whereby FNBB will provide a revolving line of credit of up to $7.5 million to Aerovox. The funds will be used for general working capital as well as the purchase of equipment.

Charles H. Ritch, division executive for the banks' southeastern region, stated that, "The bank was delighted to establish this relationship with a strong company like Aerovox who shares the bank's commitment to New Bedford and Southeastern Massachusetts."

The agreement is contingent on, among other conditions, final signed approval by the court of the Settlement Agreement the company reached earlier this year with the federal government and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. That agreement resolves claims against the company resulting from the "Superfund" law.

Aerovox Incorporated, a spin-off of Cooper Industries, began trading on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol "ARVX" in February of this year. The company is a leading manufacturer of AC and Power DC capacitors basic electrical components that store electrical energy and regulate the frequency, timing, and condition of electrical signals.

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#90215p2176 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
BLAKESLEE, PA. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Blue Ridge Real Estate Co. (NASDAQ: BLRGZ) and Big Boulder Corp. have declared a $.05 combined share cash dividend, payable on or about Aug. 20, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Aug. 3.

This marks the fourth consecutive cash dividend paid by the companies. Blue Ridge Real Estate Co./Big Boulder Corp. are the parent companies of Big Boulder Lake and Jack Frost Mountain, under the title of The Big Two Resorts.

The Big Two Resorts are major four-season recreational communities,

offering a host of year-round amenities and luxurious accommodations. The Big Two Resorts are located near exits 42 and 43 of Interstate 80 and exit 35 of the Northeast Extension of the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

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#90215p2177 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Pilots at Eastern Airlines have overwhelmingly authorized their leadership to strike the airline if a collective bargaining agreement cannot be reached by Aug. 11. Eastern pilots passed the measure through a ballot taken at local council meetings held last night.

In a separate but related development, contract talks are scheduled to resume next week in Washington under the auspices of the National Mediation Board.

"The ballot was taken as a last resort since Eastern pilot attempts to negotiate contract terms with the company have not been successful to date. The ballot does not order a strike, but allows the Eastern pilots Master Executive Council to call a strike if deemed necessary. The last thing we want is another strike at this crippled airline, but we do have the pilots' authorization now if it comes down to that," said Capt. Roger Hall, first vice president of the Air Line Pilots Association.

"Labor peace still is an essential ingredient to rebuilding Eastern. Look at the devastating effects of the machinist strike. Look at what happened when the unions blew the whistle on safety violations at Eastern. Then look at some of the recent lawsuits and administrative actions initiated and won by the unions at Eastern's expense. You'll see that there's no way that Martin Shugrue can keep this airline flying unless he quickly settles his labor problems," said Capt. Skip Copeland, chairman of the Eastern pilots MEC.

The 30-day cooling off period to settle expires at midnight the evening of Friday, Aug. 10. At 0001 hours Aug. 11 the pilots are free to begin industrial actions, including a strike, and the company is free to impose its own contract terms.

The issue of job security for the pilots who returned to work after honoring the machinist strike continues to be a major stumbling block in the talks. "We've always indicated that the economic issues can be resolved. However, there's not much sense in discussing pay and benefits if you don't have a job to go back to," Copeland said.

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#90215p2180 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Safeguard Health Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ: SFGD), the nation's largest publicly held provider of fixed fee dental care plans, announced its financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990. Earnings per share were $.13 compared to $.17 a year earlier. Net income was $564,000 compared to $802,000 a year earlier. Health care revenues were $14,943,000 compared to $15,552,000 for the same quarter a year ago. For the six month period ended June 30, 1990, earnings per share were $.25 compared to $.33 a year ago. Net income was $1,126,000 compared to $1,648,000 a year earlier. Health care revenues were $30,051,000 compared to $31,187,000 for the same period a year ago.

"We are pleased to report a continuation of strong earnings for the second quarter of 1990. While net earnings and earnings per share were not at a comparable level to last year, we are pleased to note that membership increased during the second quarter compared to the first quarter of 1990. Overall expenses were higher due to higher selling expense along with an increase in general and administrative expense and a slight increase in health care costs," said Steven J. Baileys, D.D.S., President and Chief Operating Officer.

"We are pleased to note that membership in the company's plans increased in the second quarter to 722,000 members compared to 717,000 members at the end of the first quarter of 1990 and 814,000 members a year ago," Baileys stated. "We have embarked upon an agressive sales campaign including increasing the size of our sales and marketing staffs, making our dental plans available to those clients who are seeking true cost containment in the prepaid dental field. We have also significantly enhanced our administrative and service capabilities through additional staff and systems to fortify our position as a leader in the prepaid dental plan field. We are confident that our dedication to offering dental products which result in long-term cost containment for our clients will result in continued strong acceptability of our programs," Baileys said.

Safeguard operates prepaid dental plans in 13 states providing dental services to members through an independent panel of over 1,700 provider locations.

SAFEGUARD HEALTH ENTERPRISES INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Earnings Summary
(Thousands omitted, except per share data)

Quarter ended June 30	1990	1989
Health care revenues	$14,943	$15,552

Income before taxes	925	1,312
Net income	564	802
Net income per share	$0.13	$0.17
Average shares outstanding	4,492	4,652
Membership enrollment	722	814
Six months ended June 30	1990	1989
Health care revenues	$30,051	$31,187
Income before taxes	1,848	2,702
Net income	1,126	1,648
Net income per share	$0.25	$0.33
Average shares outstanding	4,492	5,016

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YOUNGSTOWN, OH (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Commercial Intertech Corp. (NASDAQ: CTEK) announced today that it has completed its previously announced stock repurchase program of 2.5 million shares of its common stock. As part of the company's long term strategic program to maximize, over time, the value of the company and its common stock, the board will consider, among other things, whether to reinstate an additional stock repurchase program.

Commercial Intertech is a leading multinational producer of fluid purification products, hydraulic components and metal products.

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#90215p2187 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

FRESNO, CALIF. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank of Fresno, a subsidiary of ValliCorp Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ: VALY), and Madera Valley Bank, both of California, today announced that they have signed a nonbinding letter of intent providing for the acquisition of Madera Valley Bank by Bank of Fresno at a cash price of $14.25 per share. Madera Valley Bank has approximately 423,500 shares outstanding, including shares subject to existing stock options.

The banks hope to reach a definitive agreement by Aug. 27, 1990, with the precise structure of the transaction yet to be negotiated. The banks cautioned that there can be no assurance that a definitive agreement will be signed, and that regulatory and Madera Valley shareholder approval will be required. The letter of intent can be extended by the mutual agreement of both parties.

On June 30, 1990, ValliCorp reported total assets of $356,296,000, stockholder equity of $29,591,000 and 1990 year to date income of $1,267,000. ValliCorp operates two banking subsidiaries: Bank of Fresno with six branches in Fresno and one each in Clovis, Sanger, and Kingsburg, and Merced Bank of Commerce N.A., which operates one branch in Merced, Calif. ValliCorp's common stock is publicly traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the ticker symbol VALY.

On June 30, 1990, Madera Valley Bank reported total assets of $39,998,954, total shareholder equity of $3,591,960 and 1990 year to date income of $242,752. Madera Valley Bank began operations in 1980 and operates one branch in the city of Madera. It is Madera's only independent community bank. Madera Valley Bank's common stock is traded in the over the counter market.

John Brocks, president and CEO of ValliCorp and Bank of Fresno, stated that "These upcoming discussions with Madera Valley Bank are in concert with ValliCorp's objective to create a confederation of independent banks which stretches from north of Bakersfield to south of Stockton. Madera county's economy is expanding at an unprecedented rate as a result of the fine economic development efforts of this city and county. Madera is one of the target cities ValliCorp would like to serve in its community banking system."

CONTACT: John Brocks of ValliCorp, Bank of Fresno, 209-221-2220; Hal Giomi of Madera Valley Bank, 209-673-2271; Gary Strong, 312-266-7800, or Scottie Spurzem, 415-986-1591, both of the Financial Relations Board Inc.

-30- 2637

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LIBERTY, TX (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Alliance Well Service Inc. (NASDAQ: AWSI) today reported their results of operations for the second quarter of 1990:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1989	1990	1989	1990
Revenues	$1,713,000	$772,000	$3,341,000	$1,585,000
Net income (loss)	$ 10,000	$(93,000)	$ (23,000)	$ (219,000)
Earnings (loss) per share	$ --	$ --	$ --	$ (.01)

Gregory E. Fourticq, president of Alliance, stated that the 1989 revenues included the operations of two yards which were subsequently sold in September 1989. All operations are now provided from a single yard in Liberty.

In mid-July 1990, the company sold five stacked rigs at an auction for $130,000, which was $16,000 less than net book value. The company now owns 10 rigs and related equipment.

The company, with headquarters in Liberty, provides specialized well completion, maintenance and workover services to the petroleum industry in the East Texas and Texas Gulf Coast area.

CONTACT: Nelson R. Jones of Alliance Well Service Inc., 409-336-8831

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#90215p2197 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Division today reported the following 10-day sales figures:

	July 21-31		Month-to-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Selling days	9	9	25	25
Ford	3,004	4,441	8991	10,782
Thunderbird	3,602	3,489	9,516	9,506
Taurus	9,848	9,192	24,479	29,369
Tempo	6,246	6,043	18,055	17,402
Escort	7,532	12,496	20,826	31,936
Festiva	2,059	2,815	5,243	7,001
Mustang	4,431	4,871	11,438	13,815
Probe	5,508	4,699	14,952	13,100
Total cars	42,230	48,046	113,500	132,911
Bronco	1,724	2,164	3,974	5,168
Bronco II/Expl	7,420	3,883	18,397	10,003
Club Wagon	703	609	1,550	2,200
Van	6,344	6,153	15,265	15,731
Aerostar	6,126	6,255	16,528	18,175
Ranger	10,930	10,378	25,886	25,668
F-Series	18,508	16,880	46,453	48,670
Heavy	2,205	2,957	5,103	5,807
Total trucks	53,960	49,279	133,156	131,422

	CYTD	
	1990	1989
Selling days	179	178
Ford	66,845	65,104
Thunderbird	66,013	72,388
Taurus	191,486	214,809
Tempo	136,082	136,836
Escort	163,211	206,318
Festiva	34,793	43,427
Mustang	76,222	111,595

Probe	78,868	83,746
Total cars	813,520	934,223
Bronco	32,606	35,560
Bronco II/Expl	86,585	63,348
Club Wagon	13,316	16,395
Van	95,589	103,776
Aerostar	114,044	119,540
Ranger	170,560	163,348
F-Series	340,770	354,294
Heavy	28,313	35,967
Total trucks	881,783	892,228

CONTACT: Mike Parris of Ford Division, 313-446-7770

-30- 2374

#90215p2199 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBUQUERQUE, NM (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Today, Aug. 3, 1990, the New Mexico Public Service Commission (NMPSC) issued a decision denying Public Service Co. of New Mexico's (PNM) (NYSE: PNM) request for decertification of 130 MW of San Juan Unit 4. In its April 1989 order on excess capacity, the Commission excluded from jurisdictional rates 130 MW of San Juan Unit 4 and PNM's 130 MW ownership of Palo Verde Unit 3. On May 21, 1990, the Commission approved the Company's request to decertify and relinquish control over Palo Verde Unit 3.

In today's decision, the Commission upheld the June 20, 1990, Hearing Examiner's recommendation to deny decertification. That recommendation was based in part on the Hearing Examiner's belief that the Commission did not intend to relinquish control over the 130 MW of San Juan Unit 4 when it excluded it from rate base.

PNM believes that denial of decertification results in a confiscation of property. New Mexico customers are not currently paying for the excluded San Juan generation and PNM is making wholesale power sales from the plant but is receiving little return on its investment. The Company is reviewing the Commission's order and will decide on an appeal to the New Mexico Supreme Court within the next 30 days.

CONTACT: Frank Craig, 505-848-2366; Michael Temple, 505-848-2210; or John Ault, 505-848-2454 all of Public Service Co. of New Mexico

-30- 1579

#90215p2200 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - In order to offset rising jet fuel costs, Northwest Airlines said today it will add $8 each way to the price of domestic tickets purchased beginning Aug. 9.

The surcharge is a direct result of jet fuel cost increases incurred by Northwest since the military invasion of Kuwait by Iraqi troops in the Middle East. Fuel prices have increased 8 cents a gallon since Wednesday and are expected to increase further.

The surcharge is not designed as a permanent revision to its pricing structure, Northwest said, and its will be reviewed periodically.

"Fuel costs are a major contributor to the operating expenses of all airlines," said Jack Van Der Wege, senior director of fuel administration. "Crude oil prices have jumped considerably since Wednesday and will be sharply higher in August than was previously forecasted."

Fuel is Northwest's second-largest cost, accounting for about 17 percent of its operating expenses.

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-30- 1232
#90215p2202 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKY MOUNT, NC (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - William E. Prather, Jr., President and Chief Executive Officer of Hardee's Food Systems, Inc., today announed that the conversion of Roy Rogers restaurants is on schedule, and that the acquired chain's acquisition is already contributing to earnings growth.

Prather noted that the company's sytemwide sales for the Second Quarter increased 26 percent to $1.1 billion, and was up 18 percent for the year-to-date. Average unit sales of restaurants was also stronger, increasing 4 percent for the year.

The 43-year-old chief executive credits much of the company's success this year to being consumer-driven, adding new nutritional products to its standard menu, and to the aquisition of the 648 unit Roy Rogers restaurants chain, which was finalized in April.

Last month, Hardee's successuflly converted sixty Roy Rogers restaurants, and added Roy Rogers fried chicken to fifty existing Hardee's restaurants in the Baltimore-area. Five Roy Rogers restaurants in the Washington, D.C.-area became Hardee's last week. By the end of the summer, over one hundred Roy Rogers restaurants will have changed to Hardee's. Approximately 20 of these conversions will be franchise-owned restaurants. Company officials are optimistic that the entire Roy Rogers chain will merge to the Hardee's trademark by summer 1991.

Sales boosts during the Second Quarter were also realized by the limited

introduction of a new quarter-pound hamburger, the Lean 1, containing just 17.5 percent of fat (pre-cooked) and 18 grams of total fat (cooked and fully garnised). The leaner hamburger product, which has the lowest total fat of any standard quarter-pound hamburger, has been applauded by health-officials across the nation. Hardee's has also used cholesterol-free, all-vegetable oil to cook all of its fried products since 1988, a switch just announced by the other three hamburger giants this month.

The third largest fast-food hamburger restaurant chain in America, Hardee's Food Systems, Inc., operates about 4,000 restaurants in 41 states and nine foreign countries.

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#90215p2209 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Clarence W. Keel, President, Chief Executive Officer of Seaboard Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ-NMS: SEAB) announced consolidated operating losses for the six months ended June 30, 1990 totalling $214,522 after taxes or $.24 per share. This compared to an operating profit of $32,461 or $.04 per share for the comparable six months of 1989.

After tax losses for the second quarter were $92,891 as compared to losses of $121,632 for the first quarter of 1990. The improvement was due primarily to an increase in net interest income.

The effect of non-earning assets on the Association's interest margin was the primary cause of the reported losses. Interest income not recorded on the non-earning assets for the six months totalled approximately $300,000 of which approximately $110,000 related to the second quarter.

Total assets at June 30, 1990 were $106,732,794 as compared to $118,646,605 at June 30, 1989. The Association's net worth at June 30, 1990 was $6,522,971 or 6.11 percent of total assets.

Seaboard is a Virginia chartered stock savings and loan association and provides mortgage and retail banking services principally in the Hampton Roads area of Virginia. Headquartered in Virginia Beach, Virginia, the Association has five offices, two in Virginia Beach, one in Chesapeake, one in Norfolk and one in Portsmouth. Currently the Association has approximately 900 stockholders and 891,184 shares of stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Clarence W. Keel, President, Chief Executive Officer of Seaboard Savings and Loan Association, 804-490-3181

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#90215p2214 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
CINCINNATI (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) and Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. (NYSE: RPR) announced today they have received notification from the Department of Justice on their strategic alliance. The Department intends to challenge the agreement if the companies proceed. The companies disagree with the Department's conclusion and are currently assessing their alternatives.

This agreement between P&G and Rorer Group was announced on March 13, 1990. Under the agreement, the companies are seeking to form a strategic alliance to develop and market prescription and over-the-counter pharmaceutical products.

The Procter & Gamble Company, with worldwide sales of $21.4 billion in 1989, manufactures and markets a wide range of products for consumer and institutional use.

Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. is a global pharmaceutical company dedicated to the discovery, development, manufacture and marketing of human pharmaceuticals. With worldwide sales of more than $3 billion and R&D expenditures of $400 million, the company operates in all major markets of the world.

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-30- 1433
#90215p2222 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. LOUIS (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Comprehensive Care Corp. (NYSE: CMP) today announced that the 1990 Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be held in St. Louis, Mo. on Thursday, Oct. 11, 1990, at nine o'clock Central Standard Time and that Aug. 13, 1990, at the close of business, has been fixed as the record date for the determination of those stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting.

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#90215p2227 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - DQE (NYSE: DQE) today issued earnings, as follows.

DQE
Financial Data

(all figures in thousands except per share amount; unaudited)

Period Ended	Three Months		12 Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$271,575	$273,079	$1,134,178	$1,126,569
Net income	21,715	19,756	120,576	117,727
Average number of common shares outstanding	54,768	55,419	55,162	58,647
Earnings per share of common stock	$0.40	$0.36	$2.19	$2.01
Dividends declared per share of common stock	$0.34	$0.32	$1.32	$1.26

Duquesne Light Co., an electric utility, is the principal subsidiary of DQE and has the following sales in millions of kilowatt-hours for the periods indicated.

Retail sales:				
Residential	688	707	3,131	3,164
Commercial	1,266	1,236	5,235	5,101
Industrial	817	817	3,206	3,344
Other	21	21	84	85
Total sales to customers	2,792	2,781	11,656	11,694

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-30- 1488

#90215p2229 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Oak Industries Inc. (NYSE: OAK) today announced that it has completed the previously announced sale of the assets of its Oak Communications Inc. subsidiary, including its Taiwan manufacturing subsidiary, Oak Industries Taiwan Ltd., to the Lorain Group, a San Diego-based investment firm. Although no terms were announced, the price is in excess of Oak's book value.

William S. Antle III, Oak's president and chief executive officer said, "This sale represents an important step in Oak's continuing strategy of improving shareholder returns and raising funds for its acquisition program. We plan on reinvesting these proceeds to improve our sales and profits in other U.S. opportunities."

Oak Industries is a 58-year-old international manufacturer of components and controls for the electronics, electrical and communications industries with seven operating divisions. Oak Industries' common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "OAK IND."

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#90215p2235 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Representatives of Alberta Northeast Gas Limited (ANE), the consortium of U.S. local gas distribution companies (LDCs) which will be responsible for almost three-quarters of the gas to be shipped annually on the proposed Iroquois Gas Transmission System, provided their reactions today to the recent action taken on Iroquois by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). On July 25, FERC issued an order which essentially resolved most of the outstanding issues on Iroquois but which set certain narrow issues for evidentiary hearings and established a schedule which will allow final action no later than Nov. 28 1990. FERC has stated it will consider granting full certification to Iroquois at that time.

Robert Catell, president of the Brooklyn Union Gas Company and chairman of ANE, said "We were hopeful that Iroquois would be certified July 25 and there's no question that this action is unfortunate. We need these gas supplies to begin arriving no later than winter 1991/92 and are disappointed that FERC's action did not conclusively deal with the Iroquois Project. We are very encouraged, however, that FERC's order approves most elements of the project. We note that the burden is clearly on opponents to show why FERC should not proceed to finalize its approval of Iroquois in November."

The ANE project, formed in 1985, will provide nearly 400 million cubic feet per day of clean burning natural gas to nearly seven million customers in seven Northeastern states (New York, New England and New Jersey) over a 15-year contract period.

James A. Rooney, president of ANE, described the obstacles encountered by the Iroquois delivery system as "unprecedented". He said, "This development is particularly disappointing given the growing market for gas in the Northeast and the need for timely action to protect both our contracts with the Canadian producers and our export related licenses from the Canadian National Energy Board. Rooney also said that "Local gas distribution companies in the U.S. Northeast and the customers they serve are particularly disappointed that U.S. producer interests seem unwilling to sign the same kind of competitive, long-term deals as Canadian suppliers. Our market has a growing need for all the gas we can get from every competitive source. We are confident that both Iroquois and additional Southwest U.S. gas supplies will play an important role in serving the region's growing needs."

Both Catell and Rooney expressed optimism that FERC will act favorably by November, but cautioned that parties interested in seeing the Iroquois and ANE projects move forward must remain constantly vigilant in these next

months to ensure that no further delays in the certification process are allowed.

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#90215p2239 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - In the second quarter of 1990, Tasty Baking Co. (NYSE: TBC) realized net income in the amount of $1,934,000 which compares to net income earned in 1989 for the comparable quarter of $2,854,000.

Net income per share was $.31 which compares to the second quarter of 1989 of $.45 per share.

For the 26-week period ended June 30, 1990, the company realized a net loss of $1,118,000 which, however, reflects a special pre-tax provision for an early retirement program in the amount of $8.2 million. Excluding the special provision which amounted to $.78 per share, the company realized a profit of $3,834,000 or $.61 per share, which compares to a profit earned in 1989 of $5,074,000 or $.80 per share.

Net sales for the second quarter of 1990 were $68,290,000 which were relatively flat compared to the second quarter of 1989 which were $69,377,000. Net sales for the 26-weeks ended June 30, 1990, of $136,089,000 when compared with the comparable period of 1989 of $137,386,000 were also relatively flat.

Nelson G. Harris, president and chief executive officer, said in a letter to shareholders, "While total sales for the Tastykake Division were down approximately 5 percent on a comparable basis, the control of costs continued to be effective as to commodity, operating and fixed expenses. Management, recognizing the soft economy, promoted heavily throughout the quarter, and such promotion costs materially impacted net income."

Harris further stated, "Management does not anticipate a continuing high level of promotion costs for the balance of the year. The early retirement program has been successfully implemented and the anticipated savings are expected to be reflected in the latter part of the third quarter, fully realized in the fourth quarter, and of course into 1991. In addition, management, being fully aware of the nutritional concerns of its customer, has substantially removed tropical oils and has reduced saturated fats without a loss in taste or quality; and, is continuing in its research toward the development of additional low-fat products."

Relative to Phillips & Jacobs Inc., the company's graphic arts and industrial chemical subsidiary, Harris said, "For the second quarter, the company also is operating in a soft economy, but nevertheless, improved sales levels approximately 5 percent relative to the preceding year, however, profits were comparable for the respective quarters. Management of this subsidiary recognizes the technological changes anticipated within the graphic arts industry and is positioning itself to realize the potential of these new opportunities."

On July 20, 1990, the board of directors amended the by-laws of the company to opt out of the coverage of the 1990 Pennsylvania Anti-Takeover Act.

In conclusion, Harris stated, "It would be unrealistic not to recognize the softness existing in the present economy; however, as a result of the positive actions which management has taken relative to cost containment, stabilization of commodity prices, new product development and expansion of distribution, we believe the balance of the year will be productive for the company and its shareholders."

CONTACT: Donnalyn Pompper of Tasty Baking Co., 215-221-8784

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#90215p2241 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Capital Investment Corp. (WCIC) (NASDAQ: WECA), parent of Bank Western, a federal savings bank, reported a net loss of $29.4 million, or $3.14 per share for the second quarter. A year earlier the company reported a second quarter net loss of $24.8 million or $2.65 per share. The net loss for the first and second quarters of 1990 combined was $31.1 million compared to $26 million for the like period in 1989. An estimated net loss of $29 million for the second quarter was announced in a press release on July 26, 1990.

As previously reported, the quarterly net loss was due in large part to a $20.8 million provision for losses which reflects additional reserves on Bank Western's problem assets to assist in marketing real estate owned in a still depressed Colorado commercial real estate economy. Additionally, a Bank Western subsidiary recorded $10.9 million in write-downs to facilitate disposal of assets previously held for investment or development. For the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, provisions for losses totaled $25.4 million compared to $29.4 million for the like period in 1989. Despite these actions, Bank Western still maintains regulatory capital in excess of all current regulatory requirements.

Net interest income for the quarter was $13.5 million, down $0.6 million from $14.1 million in the like period one year ago. Net interest income for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990 was $28.5 million compared to

$30.7 million in the like period of 1989.

General and administrative (G&A) expenses for the second quarter 1990 were $17.6 million or a reduction of $1.1 million from the 1989 second quarter total of $18.7 million. For the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, expenses totaled $34.3 million compared to $43 million in the like period of 1989. The decrease of $8.7 million reflects $2.6 million of reductions in G&A expenses of ongoing operations and $6.1 million related to a subsidiary sold during the first quarter of 1989.

WCIC's assets totaled $3.3 billion at June 30, 1990 compared to $3.5 billion one year ago. The company's stockholders' equity at June 30, 1990 was $160.1 million.

Western Capital Investment stock is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol "WECA."

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-30- 2574

#90215p2243 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Dallas-based United Medicorp Inc. (NASDAQ: UMCI) announced today the closing of the previously announced public offering of two million shares of common stock at $5.00 per share. Of the two million shares sold, 1,850,000 shares were sold by the company and 150,000 shares were sold by certain selling stockholders.

The company provides medical insurance claims processing, management, collection and advance funding services to health care providers. The company employs proprietary electronic and computer technologies to address the claims management and cash flow needs of its customers, who are primarily hospital, medical clinics and physicians.

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#90215p2244 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Liberty National Bank and Trust Company of Louisville ("Liberty Bank"), the principal subsidiary of Liberty National Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: LNBC) announced today that the Fayette Circuit Court has granted its motion for a new trial in Liberty National Bank and Trust Company of Louisville vs. Archie Donaldson, M.D.

On August 28, 1989, a jury returned a verdict against Liberty Bank for compensatory damages which resulted in a judgment totalling approximately

$7 million, plus interest from the date judgment was entered. The court's order sets aside that judgment. This jury verdict had been offset by a directed verdict in favor of Liberty Bank on its claim on the debt owed by the borrower in the approximate amount of $2.8 million. The court did not expressly rule on the borrower's motions seeking to set aside the directed verdict in favor of Liberty on its claim against the borrower.

Liberty Bank believes that it will prevail in any re-trial of this matter, and, accordingly, no provision for any liability that may result upon adjudication had been made in Liberty's consolidated financial statements.

The motion of Liberty National Bank for a new trial is sustained. The failure of Archie Donaldson to furnish sought-after discovery concerning his tax liability materially contributed to Liberty's inability to present the true facts to the jury. The attempted tax levy on an employee of Liberty National Bank was not such as to give reasonable notice to the bank and its attorneys.

The Court is concerned about many other issues, such as the very general interrogatory which did not permit the jury to decide specific issues; the nature of the notes; whether Dr. Donaldson actually sustained a loss, et cetera. Since the Court is granting a new trial based upon the discovery issue, it is not necessary that other reasons be discussed.

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Liberty National Bancorp, Inc., 502-566-2797

-30- 2199
#90215p2251 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonald & Company Investments, Inc. (NYSE: MDD) reported the completion of the sale of Meuse, Rinker, Chapman, Endres & Brooks, Inc. to Banc One Corporation (NYSE: ONE), a bank holding company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio.

Under the terms of the sale, McDonald & Company received its entire investment and share of undistributed profits in the partnership. The transaction resulted in net income to McDonald & Company of approximately $700,000, or $.12 per share.

Meuse Rinker was formed in 1986 as an equal joint venture partnership between McDonald & Company and Meuse Rinker to carry on the investment banking business of Meuse, Rinker, Chapman, Endres & Brooks, Inc., the predecessor company.

"The acquisition by Banc One affords Meuse Rinker a unique business opportunity," said Thomas M. O'Donnell, chairman of McDonald & Company. "We have had a successful relationship with Meuse Rinker and we wish them

continued success. We are fully supportive of the merger," O'Donnell stated.

McDonald & Company Investments, Inc., through its principal subsidiary, McDonald & Company Securities, Inc., conducts a full-service brokerage and investment banking business. McDonald & Company has 22 offices throughout Ohio, Michigan and Indiana and offices in Chicago, Boston, Jersey City and Dallas.

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WICHITA, KS (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Latshaw Enterprises, Inc. announced today that it is extending until Sept. 28, 1990, its offer to purchase all shares of its common stock from holders of record of 99 or fewer shares as of April 21, 1990, in order to allow stockholders more time to respond. The offer, which had been scheduled to expire on Aug. 3, 1990, will expire on Sept. 28, 1990, at 5 p.m. EDT.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Noble Drilling Corp. (NASDAQ: NDCO) today reported 1990 second quarter operating revenues of $33.0 million compared with $23.7 million for the second quarter a year ago. The resulting net loss was $3.0 million for the 1990 second quarter compared with $4.9 million for the same quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported operating revenues of $65.7 million compared with $44.4 million for the same period of 1989. The net loss was $5.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 1990, compared with $7.8 million for the same period of 1989.

Noble's average domestic rig utilization rate for the first six months was 33 percent, up from 24 percent for the same period of 1989. The company's international rig utilization rate for owned and leased equipment for the six months was 40 percent, up from 32 percent in the 1989 comparable period. At June 30, 1990, the company also operated 14 rigs through labor contracts, 12 in the North Sea, one offshore Malaysia and one in Kenya.

Jim Day, CEO and president said, "While operations improved during the quarter, oil price uncertainty dampened results."

Contracts for four offshore units to be relocated from the Gulf of Mexico to Nigeria were finalized during the quarter. Three posted barges and a shallow-water jackup (which is 50 percent owned by the company) are currently in shipyards where they are undergoing substantial refurbishment and upgrade prior to their scheduled movement to Nigeria in late 1990.

One of the company's land rigs was moved from southern Texas to Venezuela during the quarter in a lease arrangement, marking the company's first entry into that country.

Day said, "We are optimistic about the future of our business. Activity has increased slightly, but steadily, in the past few months and we are beginning to see some improvement in operating margins through increased day rates. The impact of the new Nigerian operations should be an important element in the company's future."

In a previous release dated July 6, 1990, Noble Drilling Corp. announced that it filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the offer and sale of 5,000,000 shares of its Common Stock. The registration statement also covers a total of 4,000,000 shares of Common Stock being offered by two selling stockholders. The net proceeds to be received by the company will be used to repay $15,200,000 of debt and to fund a portion of the costs to upgrade and modify the four offshore rigs being moved to offshore Nigeria. The company will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of shares of common stock by the selling shareholders.

Noble Drilling Corp. is a major drilling contractor providing offshore and onshore contract drilling services worldwide with operations in the United States, Canada, the U.K. North Sea, Africa, the Far East, South America, the Middle East and India. The company's common stock is listed in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol NDCO.

NOBLE DRILLING CORPORATION
Summary of Results
(Unaudited, in thousands except per share amounts)

	Three months ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Operating Revenues	$ 32,964	$ 23,746
Operating Loss	$ (2,451)	$ (4,284)
Net Loss	$ (3,025)	$ (4,884)
Net Loss Per Common Share	$ (.14)	$ (.23)
Average Common Shares Outstanding	23,245	22,549
	Six months ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Operating Revenues	$ 65,686	$ 44,372
Operating Loss	$ (3,992)	$ (6,744)

Net Loss	$ (5,101)	$ (7,762)
Net Loss Per Common Share	$ (.24)	$ (.37)
Average Common Shares Outstanding	23,149	22,205

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#90215p2259 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Mark Twain Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: MTWN) today announced an increase in the company's stock repurchase program, which now authorizes a total of 150,000 shares of its common stock for repurchase in private or open markets. In March, 1990 the company initiated the repurchase program, which, at that time, authorized the repurchase of up to 70,000 shares.

Keith Miller, chief financial officer of Mark Twain, said the bank holding company will use the additional shares as regular treasury stock to pre-fund future employee stock-related benefit programs.

"We expect to realize two tangible benefits from the stock repurchase program. First, because of the current low price of stock, we believe these programs will be financed at a discount. Second, Mark Twain believes an investment in our own stock is an excellent financial decision that has the potential for good appreciation in a relatively short period of time," he said.

Mark Twain stock closed the day of trade Friday, Aug. 3 at 13 1/4. The company's fully diluted book value for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 was $14.79.

Miller said that Mark Twain stock is trading at historically low levels as measured by price-to-book value and price/earnings ratios. The company's performance remains very strong at a time of volatility in the banking industry, according to Miller.

Mark Twain continues to have one of the lowest levels of net loan charge offs in the banking industry, 0.13 percent for the first six months of 1990, and has reduced its nonperforming assets by 18 percent over the last year, Miller said.

Alvin Siteman, chairman of the board of Mark Twain Bancshares, expressed the board's opinion that, "because of the decline in the price of bank stocks generally, we believe that Mark Twain stock represents an exceptional value at its current price. Mark Twain's experienced management team practices sound banking fundamentals. The market should recognize banks will solid performance, solid assets and strong management and there should be significant rebounds in bank stock prices in the near

future."

Mark Twain stock is traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol MTWN.

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#90215p2267 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST MONROE, LA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Manville Forest Products Corp. (MFP) announced today that Richard J. (Dick) Searle has been hired as managing director, Europe, and will manage the DRG carton plant which the company purchased in April.

"We're extremely pleased that Dick Searle will be joining the Manville team," said Tony Orta, MFP's vice president, international. "His knowledge of the packaging business and the region will be beneficial in our efforts to further strengthen our European operations."

Searle joins Manville from CMB Closures where he was most recently group managing director. His duties included production and marketing strategy, new business, licensing relationships, technology and acquisitions. CMB is a worldwide metal closures business and the industry leader in Europe, with 40 percent of the market.

Prior to that position, Searle was group managing director with Johnsen & Jorgensen Packaging plc and general manager of Metal Box's Winsford factory.

Searle holds a 1st Class Honors Degree in chemistry from Leicester University. He and his wife reside in Kent on the southeast edge of London. They have four grown children.

Manville Forest Products Corp. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Manville Corp. (NYSE: MVL) and is headquartered in West Monroe. The company is a diversified manufacturing company with major business segments in paperboard, packaging and wood products. MFP currently operates a paper mill in West Monroe, nine domestic converting plants throughout the U.S.; two paper mills and three container plants in Brazil and the newly acquired Fiskeby carton plant in Bristol, England. Current employment is 7,100 worldwide with 1989 consolidated sales of $777 million. Operating earnings in 1989 of $180 million represented approximately 49 percent of Manville Corp.'s consolidated operating earnings.

Manville Corp. is an international manufacturing and natural resources company headquartered in Denver. In addition to paper and wood products

and packaging, the company's primary businesses include fiber glass and industrial insulation products, roofing systems and filtration and minerals. Founded in 1858, Manville has more than 17,000 people at more than 50 plants and four mines worldwide. The corporation's world headquarters is in Denver. Manville and its subsidiaries have more than $2 billion in assets as of Dec. 31, 1989.

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#90215p2271 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAYWARD, CA (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Sparta Surgical Corp. (OTC bulletin board: SPSG) based in Hayward, has merged with BIO Metallics Inc., it was announced today by Thomas F. Reiner, president and chief executive officer of Sparta.

The closing, which took effect June 29, transferred the assets of BIO Metallics to Sparta through a reverse merger. Accordingly, Sparta retains its name and control of BIO Metallics.

"We are very excited about this merger and believe that the new capitalization will enable Sparta Surgical Corp. to take full advantage of the healthcare industry's phenomenal growth. Our proprietary/patented products sold to hospitals have been largely responsible for Sparta's rapid growth and high gross profit margins. With healthcare industry expansion expected to continue, particularly in our specialty surgical markets, we are very optimistic about the future," Reiner said.

Sparta develops, manufactures, markets and distributes worldwide over 3,500 products for the healthcare industry, including microsurgical instruments, critical care disposables, wound care dressings and oral surgery anesthesia and drug-related supplies. The company was founded in 1987 through the acquisition of Sparta Instrument Corp.

BIO Metallics, a Delaware corporation traded over-the-counter in the Pink Sheets, was organized to research and develop biochemical and microbiological products.

CONTACT: W. Samuel Veazey of Sparta Surgical Corp., 415-887-7717, or John Knox of Knox Communications, 415-255-9043, for Sparta Surgical Corp.

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#90215p2277 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDENDALE, WA (AUG. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Kenneth D. Peterson Jr., chairman

of the board and chief executive officer of Columbia Pacific Aluminum Corp. (CPAC), announced the appointment of Eddie Gaut as general manager of CPAC's extrusion plant located in City of Industry, Calif., effective immediately. The plant currently employs 220 people with sales of $40 million annually.

Since November 1989, Gaut served as the corporation's chief financial officer. Prior to joining CPAC, Gaut was employed by Commonwealth Aluminum Corp. and Martin Marietta Aluminum Corp. for many years.

Columbia Pacific Aluminum Corp., the largest aluminum extrusion and finishing company on the West Coast, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Columbia Aluminum Corp. of Goldendale, Wash.

CONTACT: Douglas R. Shaw of Columbia Aluminum Corp., 800-848-3652.

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#90215p2281 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $2.50 per barrel was effective Friday, Aug. 3, at 7:00 a.m.

Chevron will now pay: $21.75 for West Texas Intermediate $19.75 for West Texas Sour $21.75 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E37. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90215p2284 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, (AUG. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Laurence B. Brody, a respected South Florida business entrepreneur was elected chairman of Amerifirst Bank (NASDAQ: AMRI) today. He has served on the AmeriFirst board since the spring of 1989 and has served on numerous bank boards in Miami since the late 1960s.

In 1974 Dr. Brody founded what is now the CIGNA Dental Health Plan. An avid academic nature has led Dr. Brody to start a software company as well as a management consulting company. He is currently spearheading the conversion of AmeriFirst's multi-computer systems into one.

Dr. Brody holds a B.A. and a D.D.S. degree from the University of Pennsylvania and also currently serves there as an Assistant Professor.

As a computer expert, management consultant and organization builder, Dr. Brody said of his election today, "Our team will be continuing to burn the midnight oil."

In addition to banking, business and medical experience, Dr. Brody has consulted to various government agencies. He was appointed by the Insurance Department to the Board of the Patient Compensation Fund.

AmeriFirst today also released the following letter to shareholders:
August 3, 1990 Dear Shareholder: Fourteen months ago we assumed our positions at AmeriFirst. During that time we have labored to solve the problems we inherited. We sought to return the Bank to profitability. We also communicated to the shareholders the true picture and the unvarnished truth about the business and financial condition of AmeriFirst as it became apparent. It has been a significant responsibility and a difficult and unhappy experience. Your Board and senior managers worked long and hard over the last year to return the Bank to a sound financial footing:

-- We cut operating expenses to the bone. We abolished the "country club" style of operations and cut the operating costs of AmeriFirst for fiscal 1990 by some $33 million when compared to fiscal 1989, an amount roughly equal to 25 percent on an annualized basis.

-- We shrank the company as dramatically and quickly as we prudently could, from about $4.7 billion in assets as of June 30, 1989 to about $3.9 billion in assets as of June 30, 1990, and from about $3.29 billion in deposit liabilities as of September 30, 1989 to about $2.96 billion in deposit liabilities as of June 30, 1990.

-- We retained and, if anything, improved the core retail franchise value of AmeriFirst by keeping about 94 percent of our retail deposits. In doing so, we lowered the cost of deposits from an average of 7.55 percent as of September 30, 1989 to about 7.11 percent as of June 30, 1990. We eliminated all goodwill from the balance sheet as well as about $300 million in high cost brokered certificates of deposit.

-- We made substantial progress in addressing the overwhelming problem of removing foreclosed and development real estate and nonperforming commercial real estate loans from our balance sheet. During the first nine months of fiscal 1990, we had a net reduction in non-earning assets of about

$49.3 million (representing additional non-earnings assets of $40.5 million offset by $89.8 million in payments received on non-accrual loans and sales of non-earning assets). After writing these assets down from their previously stated levels under former management, we sold these assets on average at close to 100 percent of their new marked to market book values, and we sold most of them for cash. When we financed these sales, as we rarely did, we received 20 percent down or more.

-- We replaced 7 of the top 9 senior managers of the company and hired competent real estate professionals -- not bankers -- to deal with the huge commercial real estate exposure of the company. We replaced our outside auditors who had rendered a clean opinion on the company's equity of nearly $200 million as of the beginning of fiscal 1989. We sued those we believed were responsible for AmeriFirst's disastrous losses and are continuing to prosecute those claims vigorously.

Many of these accomplishments brought the Bank close to meeting goals set in the capital plan submitted to federal regulators in January 1990. That capital plan envisaged, among other things, an emphasis on the Bank's core retail businesses, liquidation of the investment in the Bank's real estate subsidiary and of real estate owned by AmeriFirst and other assets, a reduction in operating expenses, and an infusion of approximately $60 million in private capital.

For example, our plan was to cut operating expenses to $79.2 million by June 30, 1990, and we reduced those expenses to about $79.1 million by that date. The plan was to reduce the Bank's investment in its real estate subsidiary to $124.5 million by June 30 and our investment on that date was about $132.2 million and, five days later, was about $117 million. We had non-earning assets of $348.9 million on June 30, and our plan was to have $340 million; a variance of only $8.9 million. Our reduction in total assets also was near the goal in our plan.

To address the capital deficiencies of the Bank, we engaged the services of financial advisors, Kidder Peabody & Co. Kidder Peabody explored the alternatives for raising new capital and maximizing shareholder value, but encountered an unattractive environment for private investment in banks and thrifts.

It has become clear, that the measures we took have not been enough to rescue AmeriFirst from the consequences of its disastrous exposure to commercial real estate. In the quarter ended June 30, 1990, AmeriFirst continued to suffer operating losses. The total loss for the quarter under generally accepted accounting principles was about $15 million,

including an additional provision for loan losses in the amount of about $6 million. The commercial real estate market in Florida has continued to deteriorate, and we see no signs of a turnaround.

The quarterly loss leaves the Bank with shareholder equity of about $48 million, which continues to erode rapidly. AmeriFirst now fails all three capital standards under the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989.

As bad as they are, these results are of questionable significance, because they are based on the assumption the AmeriFirst is a going concern. As previously reported, federal thrift regulators rejected AmeriFirst's capital plan after the Board advised them that it was infeasible to obtain new capital solely from private sources and thus to achieve the goals in the capital plan. The rejection of the capital plan subjects the Bank to numerous onerous operating restrictions and to the possible appointment of a conservator or receiver for the institution.

The federal regulators also requested that the Bank enter into an agreement that would impose additional significant operating restrictions.

As a result of these restrictions, Amerifirst's results of operations in the current quarter are certain to be worse, and perhaps dramatically worse, than the results of operations in the previous quarter. For example, we presently anticipate that operating restrictions affecting AmeriFirst's single largest real estate development asset will result in an additional provision for losses with respect to that project alone in an amount possibly exceeding $10 million.

On July 17, 1990, AmeriFirst announced that its Board had concluded that an infusion of capital from the private capital markets appeared infeasible and that the company would focus on efforts to obtain governmental assistance. With the assistance of AmeriFirst's advisors, we have submitted a proposal to federal regulatory officials that would include:

(i) a transfer to the government of development, foreclosed and nonperforming real estate assets with a book value of about $500 million in return for cash in that amount;
(ii) an additional cash infusion of about $134 million from the government; and
(iii) a private infusion of equity capital in the amount of $160 to $170 million.

We believe that the proposal would offer the federal government the least costly solution of AmeriFirst's problems, but we are unable to predict the likelihood of success. If the proposal were successful, it could result in some value for the existing shareholders of AmeriFirst, although in our

judgement it is unlikely that the value would exceed one or two percent of the equity in the newly recapitalized company.

Today, Dr. M. Lee Pearce resigned as Chairman of the Board and as a Director of AmeriFirst. The Board has decided to accept the Chairman's resignation. The Board has requested Director Laurence Brody to become Chairman of the Board. Dr. Brody has accepted the position as Chairman. Dr. Brody will continue to pursue AmeriFirst's proposal for open bank assistance and will seek in any event to conserve the assets and franchise value of the institution to the maximum extent possible.

We recognize that these developments and conclusions are a bitter pill for shareholders, as they are for the members of the Board and for the officers and employees of AmeriFirst.

We are grateful to you for your support and know you join us in thanking the managers and employees of the Bank for their heroic effectors during this difficult period.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Lee Pearce, M.D.	A. L. Teti
Chairman of the Board	President and CEO

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard C. Hawk, chairman of the board, announced today that HEAF Management Corp. has resigned as the sole member of the Great Lakes Higher Education Corp.

The affiliation of the HEAF group, which includes the Higher Education Assistance Foundation, and Great Lakes was announced in September 1989.

"To underscore and to make unequivocally clear the legal, corporate and fiduciary separateness of the two guarantee agencies, I am announcing my resignation effective immediately," said Hawk.

"I think it is absolutely imperative that there be no misunderstanding about the ability of Great Lakes to operate independently and manage its own affairs," he added.

CONTACT: Scott Hoober of Corporate Communications Group for HEAF, 913-451-2990 (office) or 913-722-3882 (home).

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#90215p2292 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
HONOLULU (AUG. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - First Hawaiian Inc. (NASDAQ: FHWN) today announced that Merrill Lynch Capital Markets exercised its option to purchase 570,000 shares of common stock of First Hawaiian Inc. to cover overallotments in First Hawaiian's common stock offering.

Including these overallotment shares, First Hawaiian's public offering totaled 5,170,000 shares, which were sold to the public through Merrill Lynch Capital Markets at a price of $23.75 per share. Total gross proceeds were $122,787,500.

The company expects to use the net proceeds to help finance the cost of its planned acquisition of First Interstate of Hawaii Inc.

Copies of the prospectus may be obtained in any state from Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Inc. in compliance with the securities laws of such state.

First Hawaiian Inc. is a one-bank holding company whose principal subsidiary is First Hawaiian Bank, one of the two largest financial institutions in Hawaii, with total assets in excess of $5 billion.

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#90215p2293 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROSEMEAD, CA (AUG. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) voted 10-1 today to accept Southern California Edison's proposal to mitigate potential air quality impacts in the Los Angeles Basin of the proposed merger of Edison and San Diego Gas & Electric Company.

The agreement will result in NOx emission reductions over the entire period covered in the California Public Utilities Commission's draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) of approximately 55 percent greater than necessary to fully mitigate the projected merger related increase, an Edison spokesperson said.

The agreement also will result in very substantial reductions in both hydrocarbon emissions and carbon monoxide emissions.

The AQMD staff had concluded that the mitigation agreement is technically sound and provides for the mitigation of all significant air quality impacts. Further, they concluded that the mitigation offsets are quantifiable and enforceable.

The plan calls for Edison to subsidize the conversion of internal combustion engines operated by other companies (used mostly for water and oil pumping) to non-polluting electric motors. Edison also will subsidize the conversion of metal-melting furnaces from gas-fired to electric furnaces as mitigation for the period after 2004 when AQMD rules would eliminate the credits from IC engine conversions. As further mitigation, Edison will install, by the end of 2005, NOx control technology on a 215-megawatt power plant generating unit in the South Coast Basin. This control is in excess of the controls already required of power plants under AQMD rules.

The mitigation package is based upon the merger-related air quality impacts predicted in the CPUC's draft EIR. In approving the agreement, the AQMD board reserved the right to re-examine the issue if the predicted merger impacts in the final EIR are materially different from those identified in the draft EIR.

The agreement comes on the heels of similar understandings reached recently with the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District and the San Bernardino Air Pollution Control District.

The potential for increased power plant emissions in the Los Angeles, Ventura, and Southeast desert regions would arise from increased use of more efficient power plants in those areas after the merger, and reduced use of less efficient power plants in the San Diego area.

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#90215p2297 08/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (AUG. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Helionetics Inc. (AMEX: ZAP) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Xcell Circuit Technology Inc., has successfully relaunched the commercial sale of its printed circuit boards as part of a company-wide strategic effort to deemphasize dependency on military contracting.

Acquired by Helionetics in June 1989, Xcell, which recently had confined its marketing efforts to the federal government, has been impacted by current slowdowns in defense spending. Additionally, Xcell has been temporarily suspended from certain government contracting based on the need to resolve certain matters regarding its affiliation with its prior owner, Calprotech Inc., a company presently under indictment in the U.S. District Court for Central California for allegedly fraudulent acts committed four-to-five years prior to the acquisition of Xcell by Helionetics.

Helionetics has provided the government with documentation that there is no current affiliation between the company or its Xcell subsidiary and Calprotech. Subsequent to acquiring Xcell last year, Helionetics also substantially and effectively changed and upgraded Xcell's operations to conform with the requirements of U.S. government specifications. According to the company, there is reasonable expectation that the government suspension will be rescinded in the near future.

Helionetics' product lines are designed around state-of-the-art 32-bit microprocessors and include vector, scalar, parallel and graphic processors which find applications in computer-aided design (CAD), modeling, simulation and three-dimensional fluid dynamics. The company also designs and manufactures solid-state and rotary power conditioning systems and high-tech printed wiring boards.

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#90215u0102 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - The Arab League has convened an emergency session to consider its response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Kuwait asked its Arab allies to respond to Iraq's aggression with force. Western diplomats say such a response is unlikely and indicate Arab condemnation of the invasion will probably result from the meeting in Cairo.

Sporadic gunfire is reported in Kuwait's capital. Iraq's sheer numerical advantage allowed it to easily conquer its militarily inferior neighbor. Kuwait has issued a plea to its Arab allies and the world community in general to mount a military campaign to oust the Iraqis.

Officials in Trinidad and Tobago say they expect about 350 troops from other East Caribbean nations to arrive Friday to help local security forces. The scheduled arrival comes as government officials in Port-of-Spain asserted control in the aftermath of a six-day coup attempt. A group of Moslem rebels who tried to topple the government surrendered Wednesday. Authorities say the insurgents will be punished to the fullest extent of the law.

Los Angeles prosecutors say they plan to seek the death penalty against the man suspected of killing actress Rebecca Schaefer... a co-star in the sit-com ''My Sister Sam.'' L-A Deputy District Attorney Marcia Clark says she will back off the quest for capital punishment if Robert Bardo's lawyers provide a suitable reason to do so. Bardo reportedly has a history of mental illness, but Clark says she thinks he was sane when he murdered Schaefer last year.

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#90215u0159 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 3) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Baseball

American League
Minnesota at Seattle, 3:35 p.m.
Kansas City at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Cleveland at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at Texas, 8:35 p.m.
Chicago at Milwaukee, 8:35 p.m.
Oakland at California, 10:35 p.m.

National League
Montreal at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
New York at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
San Diego at Cincinnati, 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Houston, 8:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Francisco, 10:35 p.m.
Baseball, World Championships, Edmonton, Alberta

Bowling
Miami - Tournament of the Americas

Equestrian
Stockholm, Sweden - World Games and World Show Jumping Championships

Games
Guatemala City - Central American & Caribbean Games
Seattle - Goodwill Games

Golf
Danvers, Mass. - $350,000 LPGA Boston Five Classic
Memphis, Tenn. - $1 million PGA Federal Express St. Jude Classic
Charlotee, N.C. - Paine Webber Senior Invitational

Rowing
Aiguebelette, France - World Junior Championships

Swimming
Austin, Texas - Phillips 66/USS Long Course Championships

Tennis
Kitzbuhel, Austria - Men's $350,000 Austrian Open
Los Angeles - Men's $250,000 Volvo Tennis
Montreal - Women's $500,000 Canadian Open

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#90215u0183 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

KALAPANA, HI (AUG. 3) UPI - Lava from Kilauea Volcano that has already virtually destroyed the community of Kalapana began claiming the nearby world-famous Kaimu black sand beach Thursday.

The molten rock spilled into the bay at Kaimu about a mile northeast of Kalapana and inched along the palm-fringed black sands of the beach, often seen in travel posters and postcards.

The lava river, which paused overnight and then resumed its march forward, covered half of the bay and scenic beach as it followed the coastline.

''This is the last foothold of old Hawaii,'' said Big Island Civil Defense Administrator Harry Kim.

The flow showed no sign of stopping, Kim said.

''We have been saying for months now ... that Kaimu is in its path (and) unless the eruption ceases or there is some dramatic change, Kaimu will be inundated by lava,'' he said.

Residents of nine homes in the area remained on evacuation alert as a finger of lava moving inland stalled 350 yards from the nearest structure.

Kim said all of the residents were busy packing, were ready to go or had already moved out. The only restaurant in the area, the Blacksand Beach Drive-In and Gift Shop, was closed at the order of civil defense authorities.

Clouds of ''laze'' - potentially dangerous lava haze that forms when the molten rock hits sea water - were being blown harmlessly out to sea by trade winds, authorities said.

But civil defense workers kept visitors a quarter-mile away from the flow as the plumes of haze, which contains hydrochloric acid, moved closer to Kaimu.

Kilauea's current eruption, the longest in recorded history, began Jan. 3, 1984 and has destroyed 169 homes and caused more than $61 million damage on the island of Hawaii, 200 miles away from Honolulu on the island of Oahu.

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#90215u0214 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - The Senate has passed a bill authorizing a $100 million trust fund to compensate hundreds of Americans who developed cancer from radiation exposure because of government neglect during the Cold War.

The legislation would provide damage awards to people exposed to cancer-causing fallout from open-air atomic weapons tests in Nevada and to uranium miners who dug the radioactive ore that went into those bombs.

The bill, approved by unanimous consent early Thursday, differs from a House-passed version of the legislation by placing conditions on compensation based on such factors as smoking, alcohol consumption and age.

The uranimum miners and fallout victims, or ''downwinders'' as they call themselves, turned to Congress for compensation after the courts ruled they were unable to recover damages in lawsuits against the federal government.

Congress previously has enacted measures to compensate victims of fallout from nuclear weapons tests in the Marhall Islands and to veterans exposed to radiation while working at the Nevada Test Site in the 1950s or in Japan at the end of World War II.

The Senate-added provisions establishing conditions for smoking, drinking and age were aimed largely at overcoming objections raised by the administration.

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, the chief sponsor of the Senate bill, said Thursday the Justice Department had informed him it would not oppose the changes adopted by the Senate.

''The government has finally admitted negligence,'' Hatch said in a statement. ''We've fought through layers of red tape for years, through litigation, reversals, and years of pain suffered by those people who lived through the horrors of a death they could not see - radiation.''

Rep. Wayne Owens, D-Utah, the primary sponsor of the House-passed bill, said Thursday he would recommend that the House accept the Senate version of the bill and send it on to President Bush to be signed into law.

Such a move would avoid the need for a potentially lengthy House-Senate conference to reconcile differences between the two bills.

Owens said he expected final House action on the bill in the first week to

10 days after Congress returns from its August recess.

''Those good people who have suffered so long will have been apologized to and offered compensation, and that is very rewarding,'' he said.

However, before any compensation can actually be paid, Congress must pass a companion appropriations bill to set up the $100 million account.

The bill is aimed at an estimated 600 to 800 people from Nevada, Utah and the northwestern corner of Arizona who developed cancer as a result of radioactive fallout from 223 above-ground nuclear explosions conducted at the Nevada Test Site in the 1950s and early 1960s.

Also covered are an estimated 250 to 450 minuers who contracted lung cancer or other respiratory diseases from radiation while working in the underground uranium mines of Utah, Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming to extract ore for federal nuclear weapons from 1947 until 1971.

Many of the uranimum miners of that era were Navajo Indians, with some of the earliest and dirtiest of the mines located on Indian reservations.

The Wyoming miners were added in the version of the bill that cleared the Senate.

The downwinders would be eligible for individual payments of up to $50,000 and the miners could get as much as $100,000 each. Survivors of the victims also could qualify for compensation.

Some 1,200 downwinders, including children of the fallout victims themselves, filed suit several years ago claiming they were exposed to cancer-causing radiation as a result of negligence on the part of the government.

A federal judge in Utah ruled in favor of the plaintiffs in 10 of 24 test cases, but the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals reversed the decision. The appeals court held the government was immune to such damage suits and that compensation was a matter for Congress to decide.

The courts reached similar conclusions in other cases brought by uranium miners.

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ANCHORAGE, AK (AUG. 3) UPI - Federal prosecutors declined to comment on their disclosures that Exxon shipping officials knew in 1985 that Capt. Joseph Hazelwood admitted returning intoxicated to his vessel in port on several occasions.

The disclosures were made in documents ordered filed by U.S. District Judge Russel Holland in the criminal case against Exxon Shipping and its parent company, Exxon Corp., following the March 24, 1989, 11-million gallon oil spill in Prince William Sound, the nation's worst.

In a bill of particulars filed earlier this week, federal prosecutors cited a May 29, 1985, memo written by an Exxon shipping manager, Ben C. Graves, to Exxon USA's legal department noting that Hazelwood ''had admitted to returning to vessels in port in an intoxicated state on several occasions, and that shipmates of Hazelwood's reported that he had violated company alcohol policy on at least several occasions.''

According to testimony collected during inquiries into the cause of the Exxon Valdez spill, which killed tens of thousands of sea birds and mammals, Hazelwood spent much of the afternoon prior to his ship's departure from the Alyeska oil terminal drinking with other crew members in local bars.

A U.S. Justice Department spokeswoman in Washington, D.C., declined comment Thursday on the Hazelwood revelations.

The Justice Department has charged Exxon Corp. and Exxon Shipping with criminal violations of the federal Clean Water Act, the Refuse Act, Migratory Bird Treaty Act, Ports and Waterways Safety Act and the Dangerous Cargo Act.

Exxon contends the federal government is using criminal environmental laws in ways not previously attempted.

The Justice Department spokeswoman agreed.

''Yes, it's not common for criminal charges to be brought under these statutes,'' she said. ''But we're very comfortable using these statutes.''

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(AUG. 3) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
HJohnson 3b	5	1	1	0	DeShields 2b	4	0	2	1
Magadan 1b	4	1	2	0	Nixon cf	4	0	0	0
Jefferies 2b	4	1	1	1	Raines lf	4	0	0	0
Strawbrry rf	4	1	2	3	Wallach 3b	4	0	1	0
McRynlds lf	4	1	1	1	Galarrag 1b	4	0	0	0
Sasser c	4	0	2	0	Grissom rf	4	0	0	0

Boston cf	4	0	2	0	Fitzgerald c	4	0	1	0
Diaz ss	4	0	0	0	Owen ss	2	1	2	0
Viola p	3	0	0	0	DeMartinz p	2	0	0	0
					Rojas p	0	0	0	0
Totals	36	5	11	5	Totals	32	1	6	1

New York 000 002 030- 5
Montreal 001 000 000- 1

DP-Montreal 1. LOB-New York 5, Montreal 6. 2B-DeShields, Owen, Sasser, Magadan. 3B-Jefferies. HR-Strawberry (26), McReynolds (14). SB-Wallach (4), HJohnson (25). S-Viola, DeMartinez.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Viola (W 15-5)	9	6	1	1	1	7
Montreal						
DeMartinez (L 7-8)	7 1-3	11	5	5	0	6
Rojas	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	2

T-2:45. A-32,507.

Umpires-Home, Davidson; 1b, Reliford; 2b, Williams; 3b, McSherry.

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PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Redus 1b	4	0	0	0	Walton cf	3	0	1	0
Bream 1b	0	0	0	0	Assenmchr p	0	0	0	0
Bell ss	5	2	2	0	Wynne ph	1	0	1	0
Van Slyke cf	4	2	3	3	Williams p	0	0	0	0
Bonilla rf	5	3	3	3	Sandberg 2b	5	1	1	0
Landrum p	0	0	0	0	Dunston ss	5	0	1	0
Walk p	0	0	0	0	Dawson rf	5	1	4	2
Bonds lf	5	1	2	2	Salazar 3b	5	0	0	0
King 3b	5	0	2	0	Grace 1b	4	1	3	0
Slaught c	4	0	1	0	Dascenzo lf	4	0	0	0
Lind 2b	5	0	1	0	Varsho ph	1	0	0	0
Smiley p	2	0	1	0	Girardi c	5	1	3	0
Belinda p	0	0	0	0	Wilson p	0	0	0	0
Reynolds rf	1	0	0	0	Pico p	1	0	0	0
					Villanuev ph	0	0	0	0
					Clark lf	1	1	1	3
Totals	40	8	15	8	Totals	40	5	15	5

Pittsburgh 300 030 110- 8
Chicago 100 001 120- 5

DP-Pittsburgh 1. LOB-Pittsburgh 9, Chicago 12. 2B-Bonilla, Girardi. 3B-Van Slyke. HR-Van Slyke (11), Bonilla 2 (23), Bonds (19), Dawson (20), Clark (4). S-Smiley. SF-Clark.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Smiley (W 5-5)	5 1-3	9	2	2	1	4
Belinda	1 2-3	1	1	1	2	3
Landrum	0	3	2	2	0	0
Walk (S 1)	2	2	0	0	0	1
Chicago						
Wilson (L 3-7)	1	4	3	3	0	0
Pico	5	6	3	3	3	1
Assenmacher	2	4	2	2	0	1
Williams	1	1	0	0	0	0

Landrum pitched to 3 batters in the 8th.

PB-Slaught. T-2:47. A-34,493.

Umpires-Home, Layne; 1b, Runge; 2b, Davis; 3b, Winters.

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SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts lf	4	1	1	0	Sabo 3b	3	2	1	1
Alomar 2b	5	1	1	0	Duncan 2b	4	1	3	2
Gwynn rf	5	1	1	0	Larkin ss	4	0	0	0
Clark 1b	3	2	2	0	EDavis cf	4	0	0	1
Carter cf	5	2	3	5	Braggs rf	4	0	0	0
Williams 3b	1	0	0	0	Benzinger 1b	4	0	1	0
Pagliarul 3b	3	0	1	0	Oliver c	3	0	1	0
Parent c	4	0	1	2	O'Neill ph	1	0	0	0
Harris p	1	0	0	0	Hatcher lf	4	1	2	0
Lefferts p	0	0	0	0	Browning p	0	0	0	0
Templetn ss	5	0	0	0	Oester ph	0	0	0	0
Rasmussn p	3	0	1	0	Mahler p	0	0	0	0
Lampkin c	1	1	1	0	Quinones ph	1	1	1	1
					Brown p	0	0	0	0
					Wnnnghm ph	1	0	0	0
					Layana p	0	0	0	0
					Morris ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	40	8	12	7	Totals	34	5	9	5

San Diego 430 000 010- 8

Cincinnati 101 300 000- 5

E-Duncan 2. DP-San Diego 1. LOB- San Diego 9, Cincinnati 4. 2B-Carter, Parent, Duncan, Hatcher 2. HR-Sabo (20), Carter (17). SB-Duncan (11). S-Roberts.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Rasmussen (W 8-9)	6 1-3	8	5	5	2	1
Harris	2	0	0	0	0	2
Lefferts	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati						
Browning (L 10-6)	2	7	7	7	2	1
Mahler	2	0	0	0	0	1
Brown	3	4	0	0	0	1
Layana	2	1	1	1	1	1

WP-Rasmussen. Balk-Layana. T- 2:36. A-35,337.

Umpires-Home, Hirshbeck; 1b, Pulli; 2b, Rippley; 3b, Darling.

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ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Coleman lf	4	0	1	3	Dykstra cf	5	1	1	0
OSmith ss	3	1	0	0	Daulton c	3	1	2	0
McGee cf	3	0	0	0	Herr 2b	4	0	2	1
Guerrero 1b	5	0	0	0	VHayes rf	4	0	1	0
LSmith p	0	0	0	0	Martinez 1b	4	0	0	0
Zeile c	4	1	2	0	Kruk lf	4	0	1	1
Pendleton 3b	5	0	1	0	Thon ss	3	0	0	0
Thompson rf	5	1	2	0	CHayes 3b	4	1	0	0
Oquendo 2b	4	1	2	0	DeJesus p	2	0	1	0
Tewksbury p	0	0	0	0	Cook p	0	0	0	0
Walling ph	0	0	0	0	Ready ph	1	0	1	1
Hudler ph	1	0	0	0	Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0
Dayley p	0	0	0	0	Jordan ph	1	0	0	0
WJones ph	0	0	0	0					
Collins 1b	0	0	0	0					
Totals	34	4	8	3	Totals	35	3	9	3

St. Louis 100 003 000- 4
Philadelphia 200 001 000- 3

E-CHayes, Tewksbury. DP-St. Louis 1. LOB-St. Louis 13, Philadelphia 7. 2B -DeJesus, Coleman. SB-Dykstra (23), Pendleton (3), Coleman (57). S-

Tewksbury, WJones.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Tewksbury (W 6-3)	5	8	2	2	1	0
Dayley	2	1	1	1	1	1
LSmith (S 18)	2	0	0	0	0	0
Philadelphia						
DeJesus (L 2-3)	5 1-3	4	4	3	5	4
Cook	2-3	1	0	0	1	1
Akerfelds	3	3	0	0	1	0

HBP-by Akerfelds (Coleman). WP-De Jesus, Dayley. T-2:48. A-21,898.

Umpires-Home, West; 1b, Brocklander; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Wendelstedt.

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LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Harris 2b	4	0	0	0	Butler cf	4	0	2	0
Gibson cf	3	1	0	0	Thompsn 2b	3	1	2	1
Daniels lf	4	0	0	0	Carter 1b	4	0	0	0
Murray 1b	4	0	2	1	Kingery rf	0	0	0	0
Brooks rf	4	0	2	0	Mitchell lf	4	2	1	0
Scioscia c	3	0	0	0	Williams 3b	4	0	1	1
Sharpersn 3b	3	0	1	0	Litton rf	3	0	1	1
Griffin ss	4	0	0	0	Leach 1b	1	0	0	0
Valenzuela p	2	0	1	0	Manwarng c	4	0	0	0
Vizcaino ph	1	0	0	0	Uribe ss	2	0	0	0
Gott p	0	0	0	0	Burkett p	2	0	0	0
Hatcher ph	1	0	0	0	Thurmond p	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	1	6	1	Totals	31	3	7	3

Los Angeles	100 000 000- 1
San Francisco	000 120 00x- 3

E-Griffin, Sharperson. DP-Los Angeles 1. LOB-Los Angeles 8, San Francisco 7. 2B-Thompson, Litton, Mitchell, Williams. HR-Thompson (10). SB-Gibson (11), Butler (31), Sharperson (9).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Valenzuela (L 8-9)	6	6	3	2	2	8
Gott	2	1	0	0	1	0

San Francisco							
Burkett (W 10-3)	8	1-3	6	1	1	3	4
Thurmond (S 3)		2-3	0	0	0	0	1

WP-Valenzuela. T-2:54. A-28,189.

Umpires-Home, Gregg; 1b, Harvey; 2b, Hallion; 3b, DeMuth.

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CAIRO, Egypt (AUG. 3) UPI - Kuwait's ambassador to the United States insisted his government has not been overthrown even though its leadership has fled following Iraq's military invasion and apparent intention to install a provisional government.

''The people of Kuwait are fighting this penetration,'' said Kuwait's ambassador to the United States, Sheikh Saud Nasir Al Sabah, in an inteview Thursday night on ABC-TV's ''Nightline'' news program.

''No, the government has not been overthrown,'' said Al Sabah. ''The nation still exists. It is under occupation and it is resisting this brutal occupation.''

Al Sabah said the emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sabah, and the prime minister were in a ''haven place'' - neighboring Saudi Arabia - and were talking with other Arab leaders about how to respond to the Iraqi invasion early Thursday ordered by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The attack followed the collapse of talks in Saudi Arabia this week concerning the two Arab nations' disputes over oil rights and their border and a massive buildup of Iraqi forces near the Kuwaiti border.

Iraq said the invasion was mounted to support unspecified revolutionaries who had overthrown the Kuwaiti government and its troops will leave when order is restored and ''the free government of Kuwait'' is established. It said this could be in ''days or weeks.''

The Iraqi invasion and occupation of Kuwait drove up oil prices and wreaked havoc on world financial markets. In early trading Friday, stock prices in Tokyo hit a three-month low in response to the invasion.

A U.S.-based energy expert said an Iraq-Kuwait oil producing bloc would be second only to Saudi Arabia, producing 5.4 million barrels a day compared with the Saudi capacity of 7.5 million barrels a day.

Secretary of State James Baker was cutting short a visit to Mongolia and heading to Moscow Friday, where he and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze planned to make a joint statement condemning the Iraqi action.

Prior to leaving Mongolia, Baker said at a news conference Friday that it appears ''the occupying power is setting up a puppet government.''

Heavy casualties were reported in Kuwait. Witnesses in Kuwait said the brother of Kuwait's emir, Sheikh Fahad al Ahmad al Sabah, was killed while defending the royal palace.

The State Department said no casualties were reported among about 3,000 U.S. citizens in Kuwait.

A State Department official said six American employees of a U.S. oil company in Kuwait, which he would not identify, were missing and there had been unconfirmed reports the six were seen with Iraqi forces.

''We've reminded the government of Iraq that they have a commitment to the security and the welfare of U.S. citizens (in Kuwait) since Iraq invaded a sovereign country,'' the official said.

Iraq has warned against foreign interference while it helped to install a provisional government.

President Bush, while denouncing the invasion and slapping a trade embargo on the Persian Gulf nation, said he was not ruling out any options, including a military response.

The Pentagon said a U.S. Navy task force of an aircraft carrier and six other ships were steaming outside the Persian Gulf but had no plans to enter the strategic waterway. Eight other U.S. warships already are in the gulf.

Kuwait's envoy to Washington, said, ''U.S. intervention at this stage is of paramount importance.''

Kuwait has also asked its Arab allies to forcibly remove the Iraqi forces, said a diplomatic source attending an Arab League foreign ministers meeting Thursday in Cairo.

Other sources at the meeting said Kuwait asked the Arab League to activate the joint Arab defense pact and come to the emirate's aid ''as soon as possible.'' The pact has never been activated before, even in an Arab-Israeli war.

Western diplomats said Kuwait's Arab allies would most likely condemn the invasion but not resort to force.

Kuwait's defense was no numerical match for the Iraqi military. Baghdad boasts a battle-hardened armed forces of 1 million men, a formidable air force and substantial tank divisions. Kuwait's armed forces total about 20,000.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

First Game

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Bradley lf	4	0	1	0	Gantner 2b	4	0	0	0
Ventura 3b	4	1	1	0	Yount cf	1	2	1	0
Calderon dh	4	2	2	2	Sheffield 3b	3	1	1	2
Fisk c	4	1	2	1	Parker dh	3	0	0	1
Thomas 1b	4	0	0	1	Vaughn lf	4	0	0	0
Lyons 2b	0	0	0	0	Brock 1b	4	0	1	0
Sosa rf	4	0	0	0	Deer rf	4	0	1	0
Johnson cf	3	0	1	0	Surhoff c	2	0	0	0
Grebeck 2b	3	0	0	0	Felder pr	0	0	0	0
Pasqua ph	0	0	0	0	Spiers ss	3	0	1	0
Martinez 1b	1	0	0	0	Molitor ph	1	0	0	0
Guillen ss	3	0	0	0					
Totals	34	4	7	4	Totals	29	3	5	3

Chicago 000 300 001- 4

Milwaukee 000 020 010- 3

LOB-Chicago 4, Milwaukee 6. HR-Calderon (9), Fisk (11), Sheffield (8). SB -Yount (12). S-Sheffield. SF-Parker.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Fernandez	7	5	2	2	2	4
Jones (W 11-1)	1	0	1	1	1	0
Thigpen (S 33)	1	0	0	0	1	2
Milwaukee						
Higuera	8	6	3	3	0	6
Veres (L 0-3)	2-3	1	1	1	1	0
Plesac	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

HBP-by Fernandez (Yount). WP- Veres. T-3:09.

Umpires-Home, Denkinger; 1b, Shulock; 2b, McClelland; 3b, Merrill.

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Second Game

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Johnson cf	5	1	1	0	Molitor 1b	3	1	2	0
Ventura 3b	4	0	1	2	Yount cf	5	0	0	0
Calderon dh	4	1	1	0	Sheffield 3b	3	0	1	0
Pasqua lf	2	0	1	0	Parker dh	4	0	1	0
Bradley lf	1	0	0	0	Deer rf	3	0	1	0
Martinez 1b	4	0	1	0	Gantner 2b	4	1	1	0
Lyons 2b	3	1	2	1	Felder lf	2	0	0	0
Karkovice c	3	0	0	0	Surhoff c	1	0	0	0
Sosa rf	4	0	1	1	O'Brien c	2	0	0	0
Guillen ss	3	1	1	0	Vaughn lf	1	0	0	0
					Diaz ss	1	0	0	0
					Brock ph	1	0	0	0
					Spiers ss	1	0	0	0
Totals	33	4	9	4	Totals	31	2	6	0

Chicago 000 011 200- 4
Milwaukee 000 010 010- 2

E-Karkovice, Sosa, Lyons. DP- Milwaukee 1. LOB-Chicago 6, Milwaukee 9. 2B-Deer, Sosa, Gantner, Calderon, Johnson, Molitor. SB-Diaz (3). S-Karkovice, Felder. SF-Lyons.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Perez (W 10-8)	7 1-3	5	2	1	5	5
Jones	2-3	0	0	0	1	0
Thigpen (S 33)	1	1	0	0	0	0
Milwaukee						
Navarro (L 2-3)	6 2-3	9	4	4	2	3
Mirabella	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Edens	2	0	0	0	0	1

WP-Perez. T-2:43. A-25,022.

Umpires-Home, Shulock; 1b, McClelland; 2b, Merrill; 3b, Denkinger.

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KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Seitzer 3b	4	0	0	0	Anderson lf	4	0	0	0

Pecota 2b	3	0	0	0	Gallagher rf	4	1	1	0
Brett dh	4	1	1	0	Milligan 1b	3	1	1	0
Tartabull rf	4	0	1	1	Kittle dh	3	1	0	0
Perry 1b	3	0	1	0	Finley dh	0	0	0	0
Eisenreich lf	4	0	1	0	CRipken ss	4	1	1	3
Wilson cf	3	0	1	0	Devereax cf	4	0	0	0
Boone c	3	0	0	0	Wrthngtn 3b	1	0	1	1
Macfarln ph	1	0	0	0	Hulett 3b	3	0	0	0
Stillwell ss	4	0	1	0	Melvin c	3	1	1	1
					BRipken 2b	3	0	1	0
Totals	33	1	6	1	Totals	32	5	6	5

Kansas City	000	100	000- 1
Baltimore	400	100	00x- 5

E-Tartabull, Seitzer 2. DP-Kansas City 1. LOB-Kansas City 8, Baltimore 5. 2B-Ripken, Brett, Stillwell, Wilson. 3B-Ripken Jr, Milligan. HR-Melvin (3). SB -Finley (12).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Filson (L 0-2)	5	5	5	1	1	2
Stottlemyre	2	1	0	0	0	0
Montgomery	1	0	0	0	0	2
Baltimore						
Johnson (W 11-6)	5 2-3	3	1	1	1	2
Price	2-3	2	0	0	0	0
Schilling	2	1	0	0	2	1
Olson (S 25)	2-3	0	0	0	0	2

HBP-by Montgomery (Kittle). T-2:43. A-22,791.

Umpires-Home, Young; 1b, Meriwether; 2b, Hickox; 3b, McKean.

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DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Whitaker 2b	6	2	2	0	Kelly cf	6	1	2	0
Phillips 3b	4	1	1	0	Sax 2b	7	0	3	1
Fielder 1b	6	1	0	0	Azocar lf	7	0	2	0
Moseby cf	6	1	1	4	Hall dh	6	0	0	0
Ward lf	5	0	2	0	Maas 1b	6	2	3	2
Lusader lf	0	0	0	0	Nokes c	3	0	0	0
Shelby lf	1	0	0	0	Balboni ph	1	1	1	1
Sheets dh	2	0	0	0	Geren c	2	0	1	0

Coles dh	4	0	0	0	Barfield rf	6	1	1	0
Bergman dh	1	1	1	0	Leyritz 3b	6	0	3	1
Lemon rf	6	0	2	1	Espinoza ss	6	0	0	0
Salas c	5	0	1	0					
Fryman ss	6	0	2	0					
Totals	52	6	12	5	Totals	56	5	16	5

Detroit 000 004 100 000 01- 6
New York 001 002 020 000 00- 5

E-Leyritz, Espinoza, Barfield, Salas. DP-Detroit 1. LOB-Detroit 16, New York 10. 2B-Kelly, Leyritz, Ward, Bergman. 3B-Lemon. HR-Moseby (11), Maas 2 (10), Balboni (12). SB-Sax (29). S-Fryman, Shelby.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Terrell	5 2-3	8	3	3	0	3
Gibson	1 2-3	2	1	1	0	2
Henneman	1 2-3	1	1	1	0	2
Gleaton	3	3	0	0	1	2
Parker (W 2-1)	1 2-3	2	0	0	0	1
Tanana (S 1)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
New York						
Robinson	5 1-3	5	4	4	2	3
Cadaret	5 1-3	3	1	0	4	4
Righetti	2 1-3	2	0	0	1	3
Mills (L 1-4)	1	2	1	1	1	0

HBP-by Robinson (Fielder), by Righetti (Moseby). WP-Cadaret. PB- Nokes.
T-4:40. A-20,160.

Umpires-Home, Welke; 1b, Ford; 2b, Coble; 3b, Voltaggio.

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TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson cf	6	1	3	1	Pettis cf	5	1	2	1
Fernandz ss	4	1	2	0	Franco dh	4	0	0	0
Gruber 3b	6	0	2	0	Palmeiro 1b	4	0	1	1
Bell lf	6	1	1	2	Sierra rf	5	2	2	0
McGriff 1b	5	1	3	0	Incaviglia lf	4	0	0	0
Olerud dh	4	0	1	1	JoRussell c	3	1	2	0
Williams pr	0	0	0	0	Petralli c	1	0	0	0
Mulliniks ph	1	0	0	0	Stanley ph	1	0	0	0
Myers c	3	0	2	0	Buechele 3b	5	0	2	1
Borders c	2	0	1	0	Kunkel 2b	4	0	0	0

Lee 2b	4	0	1	0	Green ss	2	1	1	0
Hill rf	5	0	1	0	Huson ss	2	0	0	0
Totals	46	4	17	4	Totals	40	5	10	3

Toronto 000 020 011 00- 4
Texas 002 002 000 01- 5

E-Buechele, Hill. DP-Toronto 2, Texas 3. LOB-Toronto 12, Texas 6. 2B-Myers, Sierra 2, Olerud, Gruber. 3B-Pettis, McGriff. HR-Bell (20), Wilson (2). SB-McGriff (2). SF-Palmeiro.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Key	6	8	4	2	1	0
Ward	4	0	0	0	0	7
Candelaria (L 7-4)	2-3	2	1	1	1	0
Texas						
Brown	7	10	2	2	2	6
Rogers	1 1-3	4	2	2	0	1
Arnsberg (W 5-1)	2 2-3	3	0	0	1	2

WP-Arnsberg. T-3:34. A-30,814.

Umpires-Home, Palermo; 1b, Scott; 2b, Reilly; 3b, Garcia.

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MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Liriano 2b	4	0	1	0	Reynolds 2b	4	1	1	0
Bush dh	4	0	1	0	Cotto rf	4	0	0	0
Puckett cf	4	0	0	0	Briley rf	1	0	0	0
Moses cf	0	0	0	0	Griffey cf	3	1	2	1
Gaetti 3b	4	1	1	0	Leonard lf	5	0	1	0
Hrbek 1b	4	0	1	0	Davis 1b	4	2	3	1
Harper c	3	1	1	1	Martinez 3b	5	2	2	0
Larkin rf	3	0	0	0	Jones dh	5	0	2	2
Mack lf	4	0	1	1	Valle c	4	1	2	1
Newman ss	3	0	1	0	Vizquel ss	4	0	2	1
Totals	33	2	7	2	Totals	39	7	15	6

Minnesota 010 100 000- 2
Seattle 021 100 30x- 7

LOB-Minnesota 6, Seattle 12. 2B- Hrbek, Martinez. HR-Davis (9). SB-Reynolds 2 (24), Griffey (13).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Minnesota							
Guthrie (L 3-4)	5	2-3	9	4	4	4	6
Savage		2-3	4	3	3	0	0
Leach	1	2-3	2	0	0	0	1

Seattle							
Holman (W 11-7)		8	7	2	2	1	5
Jackson		1	0	0	0	0	1

HBP-by Holman (Harper). WP- Holman, Leach. T-2:47. A-14,004.

Umpires-Home, Roe; 1b, Phillips; 2b, Clark; 3b, Hirschbeck.

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OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
RHendrsn lf	3	1	1	0	Polonia lf	4	2	2	1
Lansford 3b	4	1	2	1	Schu ph	0	0	0	0
Canseco rf	5	2	4	5	Venable ph	1	0	0	0
DHendrsn cf	5	0	0	0	Hill 2b	5	0	2	1
Hassey c	5	1	2	1	White cf	5	1	2	3
McGwire 1b	3	1	0	0	Winfield rf	4	0	1	0
Steinbach dh	5	0	1	0	Stevens 1b	4	0	0	0
Weiss ss	4	1	1	0	Downing dh	3	0	1	0
Gallego 2b	4	0	1	0	Parrish c	3	0	0	0
					Anderson 3b	3	1	0	0
					Schofield ss	1	1	1	0
					Ray 2b	2	0	0	0
Totals	38	7	12	7	Totals	35	5	9	5

Oakland	201	310	000-	7
California	000	040	100-	5

DP-Oakland 1. LOB-Oakland 9, California 7. 2B-Hill 2, Downing. HR- Canseco 2 (34), Hassey (5), White (8).

		IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland							
Welch (W 17-4)	5	1-3	6	4	4	4	3
Burns		2-3	2	1	1	0	0
Nelson	1	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Honeycutt		1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Eckersley (S 33)		1	0	0	0	0	1
California							
McCaskill (L 7-8)	3	2-3	6	6	6	4	3

Fetters 5 1-3 6 1 1 1 1

Burns pitched to 2 batters in the 7th.

T-3:05. A-38,698.

Umpires-Home, Reed; 1b, Cousins; 2b, Cooney; 3b, Tschida.

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#90215u0342 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 3) UPI - Tennessee state lawmaker Dwight Henry won the Republican gubernatorial nomination yesterday and will face Democratic Governor Ned McWherter in November. McWherter's administration has been tainted by scandal, but he has NOT been implicated. He remains so popular that several G-O-P leaders refused to run against him.

Health Secretary Louis Sullivan is demanding an apology from California Congressman Fortney Stark, but Stark refuses. The California Democrat yesterday accused Sullivan of changing his views on sensitive issues to appease President Bush. He called Sullivan a ''disgrace to his profession and his race.''

Jim Bakker's scandal-scarred P-T-L ministry apparently has finally been sold. A bankruptcy judge in Fort Mill, South Carolina, yesterday signed an order selling the ministry to California evangelist Morris Cerullo for 52-Million dollars. Cerullo now has 90 days to come up with 45-Million dollars to complete the sale.

Mercy killer Roswell Gilbert is a free man following his release from prison in Florida yesterday. The 81-year-old Gilbert was freed after serving five and one-half years through a clemency order. He says he shot his ailing wife in 1985 to end her suffering, but says he now regrets his action.

Idaho Governor Cecil Andrus fulfilled a two-year-old pledge yesterday by naming the first woman in the state's history to serve on an Idaho appellate court. Boise attorney Cathy Silak was appointed to replace retiring Judge Donald Burnett. Andrus promised in 1989 to name a woman either to the state Supreme Court or the court of appeals.

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#90215u0355 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
MEXICO CITY (AUG. 3) UPI - The last surviving participant in Cuba's war of independence from Spain died at age 108, the official Cuban news agency

Prensa Latina announced.

In a dispatch monitored in Mexico City, Prensa Latina quoted sources as saying Juan Fajardo Vega died Thursday at his home in Contramaestre, 555 miles east of Havana.

Fajardo Vega joined the independence fighters, known in Cuba as ''nambis '' at age 14, and fought under Gen. Saturnino Lora in the second independence war (1895-1898) against Spanish colonialists.

The news agency said Fajardo Vega - who also supported Cuban leader Fidel Castro's revolution that ousted dictator Fulgencio Batista in 1959 - had 21 children, 83 grandchildren, 238 great-grandchildren, and an undetermined number of great-great-grandchildren.

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#90215u0360 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - Joe Torre found out that it's still a numbing experience to win a game, espicially when it's the first one in seven years.

''It wasn't easy,'' said Torre, following the Cardinals 4-3 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies. ''I'm still a little numb.''

The new Cardinals skipper enjoyed his team's first victory since taking the reins from interim manager Red Schoendienst on Wednesday. Schoendienst had stepped in when Whitey Herzog resigned July 6.

Although not new to major league management, Torre hasn't supervised from the dugout since being fired by the Atlanta Braves in 1984.

Vince Coleman's three-run double in the sixth inning off reliever Dennis Cook was the difference offensively and Lee Smith picked up his 18th save by retiring all six batters he faced over the final two innings.

Torre managed the Cincinnati Braves to a National League West title in 1982 and also skippered the New York Mets from 1977-81. He's been in the business long enough to know that a manager can only do so much.

''We got the big hit by Coleman and once we turned it over to Lee Smith there is nothing else you can do,'' Torre said. ''You stop managing, you win it or lose it.''

Held to just one single through the first five innings, St. Louis knocked out starter Jose DeJesus, 2-3, with singles by Todd Zeile, Milt Thompson and Jose Oquendo in the sixth.

Cook came in and struck out pinch hitter Rod Hudler but Coleman lined his

double over center fielder Lenny Dykstra for a 4-2 Cardinal lead.

Philadelphia could only muster one more run in the bottom of the sixth when Charlie Hayes came home on a pinch-hit single by Randy Ready to finalize scoring, 4-3.

--- AROUND THE NL ---

Elsewhere in the National League, New York beat Montreal, 5-1; Pittburgh rapped Chicago, 8-5; San Diego beat Cincinnati, 8-5; Houston stopped Atlanta 3-1, and San Francisco downed Los Angeles, 3-1.

Mets 5, Expos 1

At Montreal, Frank Viola threw a six-hitter to become the National League's first 15-game winner this season and Darryl Strawberry drove in three runs with a single and a homer to lead New York. Viola, 15-5, threw his fifth complete game and improved to 4-0 lifetime against the Expos since coming to the NL a year ago. Dennis Martinez took the loss and fell to 7-8.

Pirates 8, Cubs 5

At Chicago, Bobby Bonilla smacked two solo homers, and Andy Van Slyke and Barry Bonds added two-run shots powering Pittsburgh. John Smiley, 5-5, scattered nine hits over 5 1-3 innings, ending a personal four-game winless streak. Bob Walk finished for his first save since 1986. Steve Wilson, 3-7, pitched just one inning for the loss.

Padres 8, Reds 5

At Cincinnati, Joe Carter drove in five runs with a three-run homer and a double to lift San Diego. Dennis Rasmussen, 8-9, gave up five runs on eight hits and two walks while striking out one over 6 1-3 innings. Tom Browning, 10-6, was belted for seven runs on seven hits and two walks over two innings.

Astros 3, Braves 1

At Houston, Bill Gullickson scattered five hits over seven innings and Carl Nichols and Casey Candaele provided pinch-hit RBI to lead the Astros.Gullickson, 7-8, allowed one run while walking one and striking out one. Larry Andersen pitched the final two innings and recorded his fifth save. Tom Glavine, 6-7, allowed three runs on eight hits in a losing effort.

Giants 3, Dodgers 1

At San Francisco, Robbie Thompson homered in the fifth inning to break a 1-1 tie and Matt Williams contributed an RBI double to lift the Giants. John Burkett, 10-3, scattered six hits over 8 1-3 innings. Mark Thurmond finished for his third save. Fernando Valenzuela, 8-9, worked six innings, allowing six hits and all three Giants runs.

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#90215u0365 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - Two mighty swings from Oakland's Jose Canseco helped put Chicago back in their place despite gaining their first double-header sweep in seven years.

Lead by several rookies Thursday night, Chicago swept Milwaukee 4-3 and 4-2, but Canseco blasted two home runs, including his major league leading 34th in a 7-5 win over California.

The White Sox, who had not swept a double-header since 1983, only gained a half-game on Oakland. Chicago remains 3 1-2 game back in the AL West.

Frank Thomas, making his major-league debut, drove in the winning run in the opener and rookie Robin Ventura lined a two-run single in the nightcap.

June 1990 draft choice Alex Fernandez added seven strong innings in his major-league pitching debut in the first game.

''Our young kids don't seem to be phased with the big league situation,'' White Sox Manager Jeff Torberg said. ''To develop and win at the same time is pretty sensational, and that's what we're doing.''

''You always have jitters and you have to prove you belong here,'' Fernandez, a 20-year-old right-hander, said. ''I think I did that tonight.''

Bobby Thigpen pitched the ninth inning in each game to earn his major-league leading 33rd and 34th saves.

He warned not to count out Chicago.

''The fact that we're young is why everybody is waiting for us to lose four, five, six in a row, fade into the sunset and let Oakland win it,'' Thigpen said.

But if Canseco keeps on bashing home runs to lead Oakland, Chicago might not have much choice.

Canseco overtook Cecil Fielder of Detroit for the major league home run lead and registered his seventh multi-homer game of the season. He's not

talking about Chicago's season or their rookies. Instead he's talking about a 50-50 season.

''You all laughed at me when I talked about 40-40,'' Canseco said, referring to home runs and stolen bases. ''You might see 50-50.''

No player has ever hit 50 home runs and stolen 50 bases in one year and Canseco is the first to ever go 40-40, hitting 42 homers and stealing 40 bases in 1988.

--- AROUND THE AL ---

Elsewhere in the AL, Baltimore ripped Kansas City 5-1, Detroit edged New York 6-5 in 14 innings, Texas shaded Toronto 5-4 in 11 innings, and Seattle pounded Minnesota 7-2.

Orioles 5, Royals 1

At Baltimore, Cal Ripken tripled across three runs and scored another to power the Orioles. Bob Melvin hit his third home run and Craig Worthington added an RBI single. Dave Johnson, 11-6, got the win. Gregg Olson, recorded two outs for his 25th save. Pete Filson remained winless at 0-2.

Tigers 6, Yankees 5, 14 innings

At New York, Chet Lemon's one-out triple in the 14th inning scored Dave Bergman to lift Detroit, ending the 4-hour, 40-minute game. Cecil Fielder struck out five times in six at-bats.

Rangers 5, Blue Jays 4, 11 innings

At Texas, Steve Buechele's two-out single in the 11th inning scored Ruben Sierra from second to carry the Rangers. Brad Arnsberg, 5-1, pitched the final 2 2-3 innings for the Rangers' fourth straight victory. Toronto fell one-half game behind first-place Boston in the AL East. John Candaleria, 7-4, took the loss in relief.

Mariners 7, Twins 2

At Seattle, Tracy Jones drove in two runs and Brian Holman scattered seven hits over eight innings to lead the Mariners.. Alvin Davis added three hits, including a homer, to fuel Seattle's 15-hit attack. Holman, raised his record to 11-7. Mark Guthrie, 3-4, absorbed the loss, allowing four runs in 5 2-3 innings.

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#90215u0369 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

FRESNO, CA (AUG. 3) UPI - Former President Ronald Reagan walked away with a bad taste in his mouth after being attacked by a swarm of light-loving gnats at a $1,000-a-plate fund-raiser with a group of Republican farm businessmen.

Reagan, appearing Thursday evening at the outdoor gathering of San Joaquin Valley agribusinessmen to boost the gubernatorial campaign of Republican Sen. Pete Wilson, spent much of his speech swatting insects and cracking jokes.

The gnats buzzed around the lighted podium, circling the former president as he tried to deliver his address and at times flying into his mouth.

Reagan coughed several times during the speech and at one point apologized for his voice, explaining, ''Some of these gnats got inside.''

A short time later, Wilson brought him a glass of water.

''They don't taste good at all,'' Reagan said, drawing a big laugh.

The $1,000-a-plate affair, which drew 350 guests including many powerful agriculture business figures from the region, was staged along the Kings River, in the backyard of a mansion owned by cattleman John Harris.

Reagan plugged Wilson's gubernatorial candidacy against Democrat Dianne Feinstein in the November general election and praised San Joaquin Valley farmers.

As he was leaving the event, Reagan was asked by a reporter what he thought of Roseanne Barr's contoversial rendition of the national anthem at a recent baseball game in San Diego. ''Once is enough,'' he said.

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#90215u0372 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

CARTERET, NJ (AUG. 3) UPI - A pipeline burst early Friday on the grounds of the oil storage facility, spilling about 84,000 gallons of jet fuel into a contained area on property bordering the Arthur Kill waterway, officials said.

Coast Guard Petty Officer William Falk said the spill was reported at 1:50 a.m. on the edge of the waterway that separates New York and New Jersey.

''Nothing has entered the water,'' Falk said. ''The only threat is fire at this time, and the Carteret Fire Department is on the scene in force.''

Falk said 84,000 gallons of jet fuel gushed from the break in the pipeline into a dike area on the GATX Corp.

Falk said the Hazardous Material Unit from Middlesex County also was called to the scene.

The Arthur Kill - a much-traveled waterway within New York Harbor that straddles New Jersey and New York - has been the scene of a number of fuel oil spills, but Falk said it did not appear the jet fuel accident would contaminate the waterway.

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#90215u0382 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

SEATTLE (AUG. 3) UPI - Boeing Co. officials disagree with a National Transportation Safety Board finding that a spark from a malfunctioning fuel switch may have caused an explosion aboard a Philippine Air Lines 737-300 last May that killed eight people.

The safety board said Wednesday a ''float switch'' that regulated the flow of fuel from the plane's central tank was defective and, combined with damaged wire near the switch, could have caused sparks that ignited the fuel tank.

Boeing spokesman Tom Cole said Thursday company inspectors found no evidence to indicate a spark to the float switch caused the explosion.

''We have not put out any all-fleet advisory about investigating or inspecting the float switch,'' he said. ''At this time, Boeing does not believe that sufficient evidence exists that warrants a call for a fleetwide inspection.''

The NTSB called for immediate inspection of all Boeing 737-300, 737-400 and 737-500 aircraft, warning of possible fuel tank explosions. Federal Aviation Administration officials said the FAA had not decided whether to order inspections.

The board said evidence indicated the explosion aboard the Philippine Air Line 737-300 May 11 may have been caused by a malfunctioning fuel switch, combined with faulty wiring.

The blast, which killed eight and seriously injured 30 of the 119 people aboard, occurred while the plane was preparing to take off from Manila.

The safety board board said in a letter to FAA chief James Busey that faulty wiring could create ''the potential for a fuel tank explosion.''

The float switch, provided to Boeing by Revere Aerospace of Wallingford, Conn., ''may not have passed inspection when originally assembled,'' the safety board said.

Ron Buchanan, president of Revere Aerospace, disagreed, saying there was ''no evidence that there was any defect.''

The safety board told Busey no evidence of a bomb or other sabotage was found.

Boeing has delivered about 750 of the 737 series planes to dozens of airlines. All U.S. carriers would have to conduct any inspections ordered by the FAA.

Altogether, airlines have placed orders for 1,637 of the 737 series planes at a cost of $32 million to $33 million each.

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#90215u0520 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

ASTORIA, OR (AUG. 3) UPI - A judge denied a request to halt a shark fishing tournament starting Friday and opponents say the tournament will lure sharks dangerously close to beaches.

Circuit Court Judge Pat Dooley said opponents failed to give the tournament's organizers sufficient notice of Thursday's hearing for a temporary restraining order.

The opponents, representing Safe Harbors and Recreational Choices, or SHARC, appeared for the hearing but organizers of the event failed to show up.

The hunt, which is set for Friday and Saturday 20 miles off the mouth of the Columbia River, apparently was to go ahead as planned.

Eugene lawyer David Atkin filed a lawsuit Wednesday in an attempt to halt the tournament but Dooley ruled that Atkin failed to give the organizers enough time to prepare their case.

Atkin was hoping the judge would issue a temporary restraining order against the hunt and allow him to prepare a case for a permanent injunction against the event.

Atkin said Wednesday he had solid evidence that chumming - throwing blood and fish parts into the ocean to attract sharks - would lure the creatures close to shore and increase the likelihood of attacks on humans.

But Ron Miller, an organizer of the event, said the contest poses no danger because most of the fishing will take place 20 to 100 miles offshore.

Steve McKenzie, manager of the Cleanlife Surf Shop in Seaside and a member of SHARC, said lifeguards have signed affidavits warning the tournament could bring sharks dangerously close to beaches.

Mark Marks, a white shark behaviorist with the Shark Resarch Committee in Van Nuys, Calif., said the Oregon contest would ''increase the risk of encounters between sharks and the people who use this area for recreation.''

Marks also said the proliferation of shark tournaments in California has seriously affected several types of sharks. He said such contests spring from a ''head-hunting mentality that has no place in a civilized society.''

Miller, a charter boat owner and former lawyer, said only a dozen or so boats are likely to participate in the tournament. The entry fee has been cut from $600 to $10.

He also said most of the sharks would be eaten, not simply photographed, weighed and tossed in a landfill. A shark dinner, free to the public, is planned Saturday night at the Dog Salmon restaurant in Long Beach, Wash.

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#90215u0543 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (AUG. 3) UPI - Airline chief Frank Lorenzo may try to reacquire some of Eastern Airlines' assets from the creditors who wrested control of the financially troubled company from him in April, it was reported Friday.

Lorenzo, whose Texas Air firm changed its name to Continental Airlines Holdings Inc. in June, wants some of Eastern's planes and its gates and slots in Atlanta and the Northeast, The Miami Herald said, citing sources familiar with the carrier's troubles.

As head of Texas Air, then the parent company of Eastern Airlines, Lorenzo oversaw Eastern's filing for protection from its creditors under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code following a crippling strike by the carrier's pilots, flight attendants and ground workers in March 1989.

In April, a federal bankruptcy court judge heeded the requests of the airline's unsecured creditors and took control of Eastern away from Lorenzo and into the hands of court-appointed trustee Martin Shugrue. However, the airline continues to lose about $1 million a day.

Lorenzo wants to regain selected Eastern assets for Continental Airlines. Under bankruptcy law, he is free to bargain with creditors for the assets he wants.

A bid for assets only would mean Lorenzo would have no obligation to hire

any Eastern employees, though he would probably need highly trained workers, such as pilots.

Lorenzo's interest in acquiring specific assets manifested itself in a letter written Aug. 1 to Tom Cooper, president of the working pilots group at Eastern.

With Northwest Airlines parent, NWA Inc., expressing an interest in taking over Eastern, Cooper sent a letter to several other airlines who might consider acquiring Eastern. Northwest Airlines employees are very unionized, which would not necessarily bode well for Eastern's largely non-union staff.

''The only person to respond to my letter so far has been Frank Lorenzo,'' Cooper told The Herald. ''He indicated that although Continental has not yet prepared a bid for the assets of Eastern Airlines, and although they have not made a decision to propose one yet, that if they did, the working employees of Eastern would be of prime consideration.''

The newspaper also reported Lorenzo has talked with NWA Chairman Alfred Checchi about an agreement under which Northwest would bid for some Eastern assets while Continental would acquire others.

If such an agreement does not materialize, Lorenzo could still make a competing bid for assets Northwest also wants.

The airline's creditors probably would receive a combination of cash, notes and a promise to assume the continuing losses in exchange for the carrier, said Daniel Hersh, an airline analyst for Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards in Los Angeles.

Hersh said there are several pieces of Eastern that Continental would like including 53 gates in Atlanta and others at New York LaGuardia and Washington National airports.

''Continental does not have a Southeast hub and this would give it a hub in Atlanta,'' Hersh said. ''Also, Continental is strong in Newark but not at the other New York airports, where this would give it gates and slots.''

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#90215u0591 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - U-S and Soviet officials are preparing to issue an UNprecedented joint condemnation of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Secretary of State Baker is en route to Moscow, where he and the Soviet foreign minister plan to make their joint statement today. In Kuwait, fierce fighting is reported in Kuwait City between pockets of loyalist troops and Iraqi soldiers. Iraqi troops also are reported to be advancing toward the

border with Saudi Arabia.

Most world leaders condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, but NOT radical Libya. The Libyan government joined with Iraq in saying Kuwait provoked the attack by over-producing oil. Libya also warned against outside intervention, saying- ''the Arabs are capable of solving their problems on their own.'' Moscow did condemn yesterday's invasion and suspended arms shipments to Iraq.

There's good news and bad news about the savings-and-loan crisis. The nation's top thrift regulator told a Senate panel the government expects to recover nearly 300-Million dollars this year from settlements in thrift fraud cases. That's about 100-Million more than anticipated. But Attorney General Thornburgh told the panel yesterday it's UNlikely the government will ever be able to recover all the BILLIONS of dollars lost in the S-and-L failures.

The repaired shuttle Columbia was hauled from its hangar to NASA's rocket assembly building yesterday... in preparation for roll-out to the launch pad next week. Columbia is equipped with a new fuel line fitting to replace one that leaked explosive liquid hydrogen in May. The shuttle is scheduled for blast-off September 5th on a long-delayed astronomy mission.

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#90215u0609 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - The National Transportation Safety Board says a spark from a faulty fuel switch might have caused an explosion aboard a Philippine Air Lines jet last May that killed eight people. But Boeing Company, the maker of the jet, disagrees. Tom Cole, a spokesman for the Seattle-based aircraft maker, says company inspectors found NO evidence that a spark to the float switch caused the blast.

More violence in Lebanon. Police and security sources say two car bombs exploded in southern Lebanon, killing 13 people and wounding 19. One of the bombings occurred last night in front of an office of the Syrian-backed Shiite Amal movement in Tyre , 46 miles south of Beirut. Police say another car bomb blew up in an Amal-controlled town, 33 miles southeast of Beirut.

A Hawaiian landmark is being destroyed by lava from the Kilauea Volcano. Officials say lava that has already virtually destroyed the town of Kalapana has started claiming the world-famous Kaimu black sand beach. Big Island civil defense chief Harry Kim says- ''This is the last foothold of old Hawaii.'' Kilauea's current eruption began January 3rd, 1984, and has caused extensive damage on the picturseque island of Hawaii.

Officials in New Jersey say a pipeline burst early this morning on the

grounds of a storage facility near the Arthur Kill waterway, spilling 84-thousand gallons of jet fuel into a contained area on the property. Authorities say it's UNlikely that any of the fuel will spill into the waterway. The Coast Guard initially estimated the spill at half-a-Million gallons, but that was later downgraded.

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#90215u0612 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 3) UPI - A police officer was suspended without pay for failing to help a homeless woman who was literally freezing to death in December, police said Friday.

Officer Raymond Ruczynski, 43, a 19-year veteran of the police force, was suspended this week for 10 days upon the recommendation of the Police Board of Inquiry, police Capt. Richard DeLise said.

Nearly an hour after the officer reported to police headquarters on Dec. 16 that the woman was drunk and had refused assistance, Mary Dennis, 59, was found frozen to death on a bench at a city bus stop.

The temperature that day was 26 degrees with wind gusts up to 26 mph.

Police dispatchers received at least eight calls from passersby who saw the woman convulsing and apparently having trouble breathing. The woman was wearing several layers of clothing but her midsection was exposed, police said.

The Fraternal Order of Police was expected to appeal Ruczynski's suspension.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange plunged Friday in continued light trading on reports that Iraqi troops were approaching the Saudi Arabian border following their invasion of Kuwait.

The blue-chip Nikkei Index of 225 selected shares, which plummented 592.81 points Thursday, tumbled 729.42 points or 2.41 percent to end the week at 29,515.76, its lowest level in three months.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major listed shares, which fell 31.25 points Thursday, lost an additional 40.76 points to end at 2,174.67.

Trading was estimated at a fairly light 430 million shares, compared with 403 million shares Thursday.

Declines hammered advances 861 to 140, while 111 issues managed to escape the selloff.

Analysts said investors were backpedaling to await developments in the tumultuous Middle East.

Reports that Iraq's army, having invaded Kuwait, was moving toward Saudi Arabia, reversed an uptrend of late morning trading.

Although there were no immediate fears for Japan's oil supply, investors worried that higher oil prices and interest rates would result in the near term, analysts said.

''The mood of the market was mainly a wait-and-see,'' said one analyst with Nomura Securities Co.

''The effect on the economy may not be immediately bad.''

Economist Robert Alan Feldman of Salomon Brothers Asia agreed, saying his calculations showed that even if oil prices jumped to $25 a barrel from their second-quarter average of $17.50, Japanese inflation would only rise about one percentage point.

An oil shortage in the near term is unlikely, Feldman said, because inventories are high.

Additionally, Feldman pointed out that Japan's current economic expansion is not dependent on the health of its export markets, because it is driven by domestic investment and consumption.

But other analysts were more pessimistic, noting the fall in bond prices signalled higher interest rates in the near term.

In addition, the market worries that the Bank of Japan would step in to raise its key interest rate as a way to head off the inflationary impact of rising oil prices.

The drop in the yen's value against the dollar of more than two yen in the past two trading sessions on the Tokyo Foreign Exchange added to these fears, analysts noted.

The stock market's losses were broad, as the only buying interest was among bargain hunters looking for stocks with low price-equity ratios, market watchers noted.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange plummeted in volatile trading amid reports that Iraqi troops were massing on the

Saudi Arabian border prompting a wave of selling.

Losses were recorded across the board.

The closely-watched Hang Seng Index, which fell 53.46 points Thursday, plunged 53.23 points or 1.7 percent to end the week at 3,356.65.

Among the narrower market gauges, industrials dropped 60.88 points, utilities tumbled 99.18, financial lost 11.57 and interest sensative properties plunged 83.59 points.

Volume amounted to around 1.88 billion shares, down slightly from 1.90 billion shares changing hands Thursday.

The market opened the day sharply lower, diving more than 31 points in the first hour of trading.

Midmorning buying cut the early losses, but profit-taking in the final minutes of the morning session sent stocks spiraling, analysts said.

''All the selling pressure is coming from what is happening in the Middle East, said David Lavington, a manager with Morgan Grenfell.

''There were reports in the late morning that Iraq was massing troops on the border with Saudi Arabia and that led to a big drop.

''I don't think the institutions are selling too aggressively - it is more trade-orientated and retail clients.''

Iraq invaded its Arab neighbor Kuwait Thursday after talks between the two nations broke down over oil and border disputes.

''There was a bit of panic selling in the secondary issues in the morning '' said an analyst with Chin Tung Investments. ''Everyone is extremely cautious at the moment.''

The wave of selling was cut short in the afternoon amid passive bargain hunting, but profit-taking in the final few minutes of action killed the short rally, market watchers said.

In Singapore, stock prices on the Singapore Stock Exchange nosedived in brisk trading following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and its negative impact on overseas markets.

The closely-watched Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 25.26 points Thursday, fell another 21.45 points to 1,511.05.

The narrower All Singapore Index, which fell 8.09 points Thursday, lost

4.55 points to 430.30.

An estimated 82.7 million shares changed hands, compared with 94.2 million shares Thursday.

Analysts said local investors were concerned about the prospect of the Kuwait Investment Office dumping its sizable holdings in Singapore and Malaysian counters to raise cash to counter attacks.

Following the plunge in Tokyo, brokers said blue chips were particularly hard hit but there was no panic selling.

On the trading floor, Singapore Airlines foreign shares paced the declining issues followed by National Steel Ltd and NST Press.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

BATTING

(Minimum 250 at-bats)

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	339	81	114	.336
Palmeiro, Tex	376	49	123	.327
Harper, Min	320	42	104	.325
Griffey, Sea	407	67	132	.324
Sheffield, Mil	352	51	113	.321
JoReed, Bos	377	50	119	.316
Quintana, Bos	307	36	96	.313
Martinez, Sea	344	52	107	.311
JCanseco, Oak	322	66	99	.307
Trammell, Det	381	46	117	.307

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	373	78	130	.349
Dawson, Chi	343	50	116	.338
McGee, StL	405	63	134	.331
Bonds, Pit	326	69	107	.328
Larkin, Cin	399	57	126	.316
Murray, LA	337	55	106	.315
Mitchell, SF	339	64	106	.313
Gwynn, SD	414	56	129	.312

Jefferies, NY	380	67	117	.308
Sandberg, Chi	416	77	127	.305

Home Runs

American League - J.Canseco, Oak 34; Fielder, Det 33; McGwire, Oak 27; McGriff, Tor 24; Gruber, Tor 22.

National League - Strawberry, NY 26; Mitchell, SF and Sandberg, Chi 25; Bonilla, Pit 23; Gant, Atl, Dawson, Chi, Sabo, Cin and Williams, SF 20.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 88; J.Canseco, Oak 82; Gruber, Tor 77; Parker, Mil 67; McGwire, Oak 66.

National League - Williams, SF 84; Bonds, Pit and Carter, SD 77; Bonilla, Pit 71; Strawberry, NY 70.

Doubles

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos 37; Puckett, Min 31; Boggs, Bos 29; Harper, Min and Brett, KC 28.

National League - Wallach, Mtl 28; Sabo, Cin and Jefferies, NY 27; Presley, Atl, Bonilla, Pit and Guerrero, StL 26.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 13; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos, Webster, Cle and Eisenreich, KC 6.

National League - LSmith, Atl, Thompson, StL and Gwynn, SD 7; Duncan, Cin and Coleman, StL 6.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 47; Sax, NY 29; Calderon, Chi 27; Pettis, Tex 25; Reynolds, Sea 24.

National League - Coleman, StL 57; Yelding, Hou 42; Bonds, Pit 35; Samuel, LA, Nixon and Raines, Mtl 33.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 81; Fielder, Det 70; Puckett, Min and Griffey, Sea 67; Yount, Mil and J.Canseco, Oak 66.

National League - Dykstra, Phi and Bonilla, Pit 78; Sandberg, Chi 77; Sabo Cin 74; Bonds, Pit 69.

Hits

American League - Griffey, Sea 132; Palmeiro, Tex 123; Boggs, Bos, 121; Jo.Reed, Bos and Seitzer, KC 119.

National League - McGee, StL, 134; Dykstra, Phi 130; Gwynn, SD 129; Sandberg, Chi 127; Larkin, Cin 126.

Pitching

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 17; Clemens, Bos and Finley, Cal, Stewart, Oak and Stieb, Tor 14.

National League - Viola, NY 15; R.Martinez, LA and Drabek, Pit 13; Armstrong, Cin and Gooden, NY 11.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 85 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 2.20; Finley, Cal 2.29; Stewart, Oak, 2.68; Hibbard, Chi, 2.91; Stieb, Tor, 2.96.

National League - Viola, NY, 2.28; Gardner, Mon, 2.34; Tudor, StL, 2.65; Whitson, SD, 2.77; R.Martinez, LA, 2.81.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 150; Ryan, Tex 143; Hanson, Sea 139; Witt, Tex 136; Langston, Cal 126.

National League - Martinez, LA 159; Gooden, NY 135; Cone, NY 132; De.Martinez, Mtl 115; Viola, NY 114.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi 34; Eckersley, Oak 33; Jones, Cle and Schooler, Sea 28; Olson, Bal 25.

National League - Franco, NY 23; Myers, Cin 21; Smith, Hou and L.Smith, StL 18; McDowell, Phi and Brantley, SF 16.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 7; Brown, Tex 6; Morris, Det, Saberhagen, KC and Leary, NY 5.

National League - Martinez, LA 7; Morgan, LA and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl and Belcher, LA 5.

Shutouts

American League - Stewart, Oak 3; Clemens, Bos, Perez and King, Chi, Black Cle, Appier, KC, Knudson, Mil, Welch, Oak, and Brown and Ryan, Tex 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl and Viola, NY 3; Eleven players tied with 2.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - The U.S. civilian jobless rate jumped to 5.5 percent in July from 5.2 percent in June in the worst showing in two years the Labor Department reported Friday.

The number of non-farm jobs plunged by 219,000 in July to 110.7 million, with the largest job losses coming in the services sector of the economy, including 162,000 temporary census workers.

The construction industry also suffered heavily as did manufacturing, but the pace of factory job losses was slower than in recent months, according to the report compiled by the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

''July losses were essentially limited to electrical equipment and the industries that produce materials used in construction,'' the Labor Department said.

A government spokesman said July's 5.5 percent civilian jobless rate was the highest since 5.5 percent in July 1988. In April, the jobless rate hit 5.4 percent, but fell to 5.3 percent in May.

Excluding the layoffs of the temporary census workers, employment in the service industries was essentially unchanged in July and health services - which have been rapidly expanding in recent months - posted only a moderate gain. There were also more jobs added in the retail trade industry, but employment held study in wholesale trade, finance, insurance and real estate.

The Labor Department also said there was little change in the payrolls of transportation companies and public utilities.

There was also a bit of a bright spot in the industrial sector of the economy with job increases in the fabricated metals and textiles industries, but the total number of U.S. factory jobs has plunged by more than 300,000 since March, 1989.

The July average weekly workweek held steady at 34.7 hours for the second consecutive month, while the manufacturing workweek fell to 40.9 hours in July from 41 hours in June. July overtime averaged 3.7 hours, down from 3.8 hours in June.

Including military personnel, the July jobless rate increased to 5.4 percent from 5.1 percent.

For blacks, the July jobless rate soared to 11.3 percent from 10.4 percent while the July jobless rate for teenagers leaped to 16.3 percent from 14.1 percent.

The jobless rate for hispanics jumped to 7.9 percent last month from 7.1 percent in June.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - The repaired shuttle Columbia was hauled from its hangar to NASA's rocket assembly building yesterday. Columbia will roll out to the launch pad next week and lift-off around September 5th on a long-delayed astronomy mission.

The Senate yesterday passed a bill authorizing a 100-Million-dollar trust fund to compensate hundreds of Americans who developed cancer from radiation exposure because of government neglect during the Cold War.

Officials in Trinidad say the Moslem rebels who tried to oust the government in a failed six-day coup face prosecution for treason. The charges carry a penalty of death by hanging. There have been NO executions in Trinidad in 15-years.

In southern Lebanon, police and security sources say 13 people were killed and 19 wounded in two car bomb explosions. One was outside an office of the Syrian-backed Shiite Amal militia in Tyre. The other blast was in the Amal-controlled town of Nabatiyeh.

Scientists meeting in Utah say wildfires that burned more than one-third of Yellowstone National Park in 1988 may NOT be the disaster it was first believed. They say the fires will aid the wildlife population in the long run.

Mercy killer Roswell Gilbert is enjoying his first full day of freedom

after serving five and a-half years for killing his ailing wife. Gilbert was freed yesterday in Florida after a clemency order by Governor Bob Martinez.

Reports from Cuba say the last surviving participant in Cuba's war of independence from Spain has died at age 108. The report says Fajardo Vega joined the independence fighters at the age of 14 in the 1895-1898 war.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - Civilian unemployment rates for the past year, revised and adjusted for seasonal factors, as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

Month	Percent
July 1989	5.3
August	5.3
September	5.3
October	5.3
November	5.3
December	5.3
January	5.3
February	5.3
March	5.2
April	5.4
May	5.3
June	5.2
July 1990	5.5

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MIAMI (AUG. 3) UPI - Two accused Colombia cocaine traffickers, one of them a member of the Cali drug family, were extradited to Florida to face drug charges Friday, , the U.S. Marshals Service said.

David Posada, 44, and Martin Alonso Gil, 24, who were charged in separate indictments, arrived in Miami from Bogota, Colombia, at 4:58 a.m., said K. Michael Moore, director of the U.S. Marshals Service.

The defendants will be held in a federal prison pending their arraignment.

Posada, who was indicted in September, was a member of the Cali drug family, supervising cocaine smuggling and distribution in south Flordia. He is accused of importing more than 3,000 pounds of cocaine to Florida from June 1985 to October 1986.

The Colombian native, who is also known as Humberto Vega, was arrested by

Colombian police in February in Bogota.

In 1989, Gil, also a native of Colombia, was indicted with his brother, Jose Fernando Gil, for possession with intent to distribute 11 pounds of cocaine.

When the indictment was returned, the brothers were living in nearby Hialeah but fled the United States. Both men were arrested by Colombian authorities in Medellin in January. Jose Fernando Gil was extradited to Miami on July 18.

Twenty-two suspects have been returned to face charges since the Colombian government began extraditing suspected drug traffickers to the United States in August 1989, Moore said.

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TOKYO (AUG. 3) UPI - Paced by a swollen trade imbalance, Japan's current account surplus in June surged 12.2 percent over a year ago to $4.782 billion, the Finance Ministry said in a preliminary report Friday.

Compared with the previous month, the June surplus was up 327.3 percent over $1.461 billion, the ministry said.

The June figure brought Japan's current account surplus for the first half of this year to $20.55 billion, down 32.0 percent from the like period last year, the ministry said.

The current account covers both merchandize and service trade.

The ministry said the trade surplus in June soared to $7.054 billion, up 270.0 percent from $2.615 billion in May and up 8.0 percent from $6.534 billion a year ago.

In yen terms, the surplus amounted to 735.3 billion yen, up from 224.3 billion yen in May and 613.0 billion yen a year ago.

Japan's exports grew 3.3 percent over a year ago to $23.106 billion while imports rose 1.4 percent to $16.052 billion, the Ministry said.

Exports in May declined 1.3 percent from a year ago to $21.103 billion while imports soared 13.9 percent to $18.488 billion.

''There are ups and downs from month to month and it's too early to conclude that Japan's surplus has begun to increase again,'' a ministry official said.

''Generally speaking,'' he added, ''the recent pattern characterized by shrinking exports and growing imports remains unchanged.''

The official said exports of automobiles and ships increased in June while imports of raw materials declined.

Government officials earlier expressed concern that the recent weakness of the Japanese yen against the U.S. dollar may generate an export drive, rekindling criticism against Japan's huge trade and current account surplus.

The U.S. dollar ranged from 152.17 yen to 155.62 yen in June, compared with 140.18-148.70 yen in the same month last year.

A weak yen makes Japanese products more competitive on overseas markets but makes imported goods more expensive.

The invisible trade account, covering such items as tourism and service trade, posted a deficit of $2.105 billion, up from $1.078 billion in May and $2.073 billion a year ago, the ministry said.

The long-term capital account showed a $7.821 billion deficit, up from $5.557 billion in May and $1.922 billion in June 1989.

The overall balance of payments posted a surplus of $3.008 billion, down from $8.891 billion in May and $8.808 billion a year ago.

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LONDON (AUG. 3) UPI - Stock prices were slightly higher in moderate trading at midday Friday on the London International stock exchange amid some bargin-hunting following Thursday's selloff.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which measures the value of Britain's largest 100 companies in terms of market capitalization, was ahead 2.7 points to 2,307.2. The closely watched index fell 34.5 points Thursday.

The narrower top 30 industrial average was ahead 3.4 points to 1,814.8.

Volume amounted to around 290 million shares compared with 340 million shares traded during the same period Thursday.

Analysts said prices edged higher as some institutional investors, heavy with cash, were buying in the market despite the invasion of Kuwait by Iraqi forces on Thursday.

On the trading floor, British Petroleum a major component of the Financial Times Index was ahead 7 cents to $9.

Elsewhere in the closely-watched oil patch, Enterprise Oil climbed 25 cents to $12.42, London & Scottish Marine Oil climbed 30 cents to $8.60 and Hardy Oil climbed 25 cents to $3.83.

Among some of the day's other widely traded stocks, Imperial Chemical Industries gained 9 cents to $18.40 and Barclays bank PLC slipped 13 cents to $6.75.

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TOKYO (AUG. 3) UPI - The government has agreed to a Kuwaiti request to freeze its assets in Japan and prepared to impose sanctions against Iraq in protest against the Iraii invasion of Kuwait, government officials said Friday.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Taizo Watanabe told reporters the government decided to freeze Kuwait's assets in Japan in response to a request made Thursday by acting Kuwaiti Ambassador to Japan Adel Hasan.

Watanabe said Japan would consider taking further measures after hearing reports on the outcome of deliberations on the Iraqi military action at the U.N. Security Council later Friday.

Watanabe estimated Kuwait's assets in Japan at $20 billion to $30 billion.

The Finance Ministry, meanwhile, asked commercial banks and brokerage houses to freeze Kuwait's financial assets, officials said.

A government spokesman earlier Friday said Japan will take actions against Iraq in cooperation with the United States and other countries.

The United States imposed a sweeping trade embargo, halting imports of oil and other goods from Iraq and banning nearly all U.S. exports to the Gulf nation.

Foreign ministry officials said measures under review by the Japanese government include a freezing of a $2.7 billion aid commitment to Iraq and a halt to bilateral trade, including suspension of Japanese oil imports.

In December last year, Japan agreed to resume providing Iraq with a total of $2.7 billion in yen credit and government-insured export loans, suspended during the eight-year Iran-Iraq war.

Iraq supplies about 6.0 percent of crude oil imported Japan annually.

Government officials disspelled concern about a possible oil crisis arising from the flareup, citing Japan's dependence on Iraqi supplied oil is small and the country can find substitute suppliers to make up for the loss.

''I don't see any possibility that the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait will cause panic or a serious oil crisis in Japan in the short-run,'' said Ryozo Hayashi, director of the International Energy Policy Division at the Natural Resources and Energy Agency.

''Even if the imports from Kuwait should stop completely, the loss would be made up by increasing imports from other exporting countries,'' Hayashi said, citing Japan has enough crude oil reserves equivalent to a supply of 124 days.

Kuwait also supplies about 6.0 percent of Japan's total crude oil needs. Japan's imports of Kuwaiti oil amounted to 220,000 barrels per day for the first half of this year.

Japan has promoted development of alternate energy sources since the 1973 Arab oil embargo. It also has diversified oil supply sources.

Oil imports from the Middle East now account for about 70 percent of Japan's total oil needs, down from over 80 percent in the past.

Saudi Arabia, the world's largest oil producer, the United Arab Emirates and Indonesia are major oil suppliers to Japan.

Japan's trade with Iraq recovered after the end of the Persian Gulf war. In 1989, Japan's exports soared 20.9 percent over the preceding year to $490.6 million while its imports, mostly crude oil, surged 46.6 percent to $1.21 billion, according to government statistics.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - Unemployment rates in 11 selected states, seasonally adjusted, as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

State	July	June	May	July 89
California	5.1	4.9	5.4	5.2
Florida	5.7	6.5	5.6	5.6
Illinois	6.7	6.0	5.3	5.8
Massachusetts	6.1	5.8	5.5	4.3
Michigan	7.4	7.3	7.7	7.0
New Jersey	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.2
New York	5.3	5.1	5.1	4.8

North Carolina	4.6	3.7	4.0	3.4
Ohio	5.7	5.2	5.9	5.5
Pennsylvania	5.0	4.6	4.9	4.5
Texas	6.2	5.6	6.5	7.0

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(AUG. 3) UPI - Key lawmakers say the stalled budget talks between congressional leaders and the White House might be moved to the Camp David presidential retreat next month in a final effort to reach agreement. The talks are aimed at cutting the budget deficit by 50-BILLION dollars next year and by 500-BILLION dollars over five years.

Democratic Senator Timothy Wirth of Colorado is calling for the recycling of newspapers, old tires and used motor oil, but the Bush administration opposes Wirth's bill. A top Energy Department official says the proposal's regulations would be ''cumbersome and intrusive into the marketplace.''

Tropical Storm Cesar swirled across the Atlantic with 50-mile-an-hour winds today. But forecasters say it's NOT expected to pose a threat to land in the foreseeable future. At last report, Cesar was centered about 920 miles west of the Cape Verde Islands, moving west-northwest at 16 miles-an-hour.

University of Washington scientists say they've developed a new drug that could save the lives of thousands of trauma victims every year. The drug would prevent multiple organ failure syndrome, a deadly condition that often occurs after an injured person suffers severe blood loss. The drug was developed through genetic engineering.

In Washington, D-C, a Chinese ballet star says he has applied for asylum in the United States because of political pressures in his country that made it impossible for him to continue his career. He told reporters yesterday that lack of freedom since last year's bloody crackdown in Beijing made it difficult for him to practice.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - President Bush, facing his biggest crisis yet in the volatile Middle East, considered stepped-up retaliation against Iraq Friday for its invasion of Kuwait - and awaited word on eight missing Americans.

Having consulted with allies around the globe, Bush refused to rule out military intervention in the Persian Gulf, but he seemed willing to give Arab leaders time to find a peaceful solution, ''an Arab answer.''

Bush met early Friday with national security advisers at the White House to again review the situation and a spokesman said he may confer again later in the day with foreign heads of state.

''We have many options,'' Bush said Thursday after he turned the economic screws on Iraq for its early morning raid of oil-rich Kuwait.

He banned all U.S. trade with Baghdad - including oil imports - froze its assets in the United States and helped drum up condemnation of Iraq's ''naked aggression.''

A State Department official said Friday, ''One of the U.S. oil companies in Kuwait has reported that eight of its workers in the oil fields near the Iraqi border in northern Kuwait are missing. Our embassy in Baghdad has asked the government of Iraq for information on the whereabouts of these American citizens, reminding the government of Iraq of its commitment to respect the security and welfare of U.S. citizens.''

The official declined to identify the company, but said, ''We haven't gotten an answer yet'' from Iraq.

Bush told reporters if Americans were rounded up by Iraqi forces, ''it would affect the United States in a dramatic way. I view as a fundamental responsibility of my presidency protecting American citizens.''

The president spoke with several Arab leaders Thursday about the lightning attack by a massive Iraqi force that rolled over Kuwait, a small nation closely identified with U.S. interests in the area.

''I am somewhat heartened by the conversations I had with (Egyptian President Hosni) Mubarak, and with (Jordan's) King Hussein and (President) Salih (of Yemen) - all of whom I consider friends of the United States,'' said Bush, who also spoke with King Fahd of Saudi Arabia.

''All of them are trying to engage in what they call an Arab answer ... working diligently behind the scenes to come to an agreement that would satisfy the United Nations and the rest of the world,'' Bush said.

A White House official said the administration was waiting for a proposal from Arab leaders. ''They would like to settle this themselves. We certainly expect the proposal to be non-military.''

Prior to an emergency meeting at the White House early Thursday with top aides, Bush told reporters he was not ''contemplating'' military intervention.

But later in the day, following a previously scheduled talk in Aspen,

Colo., with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, Bush said, ''We're not ruling any option in, we're not ruling any option out.''

The Pentagon said a U.S. Navy task force of an aircraft carrier and six other ships were steaming outside the Persian Gulf but had no plans to enter the strategic waterway. Eight other U.S. warships already are in the gulf.

''We are concerned about this naked aggression,'' Bush said, ''and hopeful that a peaceful solution will be found that will result in the restoration of the leaders of Kuwait to their rightful place.''

Thatcher repeatedly referred to possible action by the United Nations under Chapter 7 of its charter.

That language allows the U.N. Security Council to impose economic or military sanctions - short of armed force - against any country that refuses to abide by its resolutions.

Bush had planned to return to Washington late Friday, but due to the Persian Gulf crisis he arrived shortly after 2 a.m. EDT so he would be in a better position to monitor developments.

The president welcomed word that the Soviet Union - long a backer of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein - had cut off arms shipments to Baghdad. But he responded cautiously to a plea for military intervention from Kuwait.

''We're considering what the next step'' for the United States, the Arab states, and the United Nations should be, Bush told reporters when asked about the appeal.

Bush, in an executive order, froze all Iraqi assets in the United States and also locked up Kuwait assets to prevent an Iraqi-backed puppet government from appropriating them.

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EAST JORDAN, MI (AUG. 3) UPI - A white farmer wants to donate 40 acres in northern Michigan to help establish a settlement of black families in a region where they are a rare sight.

Albert J. Legato, 68, who moved to the area in 1959 from metropolitan Detroit and has not been involved in civil rights activities, said he thinks his unusual plan would benefit both blacks and whites.

He said it would give blacks an opportunity to get away from the city and its urban problems and would expose whites to a different culture.

The rolling, mostly tree-covered acreage is 8 miles southeast of East Jordan in Antrim County, a rural area in northwest Lower Michigan. The property is valued at $20,000.

The 1980 Census recorded only 15 blacks in Antrim County, population 16,194.

Neighboring counties also have few blacks. Charlevoix County, with a population of 19,907, has 15 blacks; Crawford County has 56 out of a population of 9,465; and Kalkaska County has only three out of 10,952.

In Grand Traverse County, the region's most populous county, there are 163 blacks in a population of 54,899.

''I got the idea in June when I attended my grandson's graduation from East Jordan High School,'' Legato said. ''I didn't see one black person.''

Legato said he discussed the idea of donating 40 acres of his 160-acre dairy farm with his wife and son and then wrote the Detroit News in an effort to put his idea before black groups in the Detroit area. The newspaper ran a front-page article on Legato's offer Friday.

''I will give this land to an organization that has at least 1,000 black families or more, with children,'' Legato wrote the newspaper. ''I do not want any money. All I ask is that they establish residency here, by living on this property for 10 years, after which it will be theirs, free and clear.''

He suggested that any organization interested in his proposal visit the property this summer and perhaps investigate employment opportunities.

Legato said he did not have a definite idea of how many families would be able to build on the land, but he spoke of between 10 and 25. But a large black group would have to sponsor them, he said, to make the settlement a success.

''They have been discriminated against so much,'' he said. ''Why not try something like this? There has to be a homogenization of people. People need to get to know each other.''

Antrim County Commission Chairman Conrad Friedemann said he found the proposal curious.

''I don't have any official reaction. How could I?'' he said. ''If he wants to do it, that's his prerogative. I'm sure that if blacks move to Antrim County they would be welcomed like any other new residents.''

The Rev. James Holley, pastor of Little Rock Baptist Church, one of Detroit's largest black churches, said a lack of well-paying jobs in northern Michigan probably would work against Legato's plan.

''We need to be moving people to jobs rather than from them,'' Holley said. ''I'm sure he's sincere, but I don't think we can get all that excited about moving.''

But Holley said he would welcome a year-round campground in northern Michigan for inner city children. ''That's been one of my dreams for a long time. It's beautiful up there,'' he said.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - Industry unemployment rates, seasonally adjusted, as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

Industry	July	June	May	July 89
Mining, Oil	4.4	3.6	3.3	5.8
Construction	10.2	9.7	11.5	10.3
Manufacturing	5.7	4.9	5.4	5.1
Transport & Util.	3.7	3.0	3.2	4.1
Whsl & rtl trade	6.0	6.2	6.3	6.1
Finance & service	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4
Government	2.8	2.9	2.5	2.8
Agriculture	10.6	10.0	7.9	8.9

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(AUG. 3) UPI - The Labor Department says the civilian jobless rate jumped three-tenths of one percent in July to five-point-five percent. The report says the largest job losses were in the services sector of the economy, including 162-thousand temporary census workers. The construction industry also suffered heavily as did manufacturing jobs.

Latest reports indicate as many as eight American oil workers have been taken by Iraqi troops invading Kuwait. The State Department says six Americans were missing amid unconfirmed reports they were last seen with Iraqi troops. But the Texas family of one American says they understand eight Americans are in Iraqi custody... including their relative, 59-year-old Charles Amos.

Fighting reportedly is fierce in Kuwait city as pockets of loyalist troops battle invading Iraqi invasion forces. An estimated 60-thousand Iraqi troops crossed the border yesterday.. overwhelming Kuwait's 20-thousand-strong military. Secretary of State Baker is due shortly in

Moscow where he and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze will make a joint statement condemning Iraq.

Salvage crews in Galveston Bay are continuing the slow process of removing water from a sunken barge in order to clear the Houston Ship Channel. Coast Guard officials say more than 40 ships are waiting to enter the bay, while about 25 are in the Port of Houston waiting to cast off. Officials are using oil-eating microbes to help cleanup a 500-thousand-gallon oil spill.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere wants to move up the date for all-German elections by six weeks... to October 14th... and German unification sooner than that. West German officials reportedly support the move. Government sources in Bonn say swifter unification may be the only way to stop the complete collapse of the East German economy.

A federal judge in Miami has ordered Eastern Airlines to reinstate the pilots who ended their eight-month strike in November. The former strikers have NOT been able to return to work because replacement pilots have been hired. U-S District Judge Edward Davis ruled yesterday that pilot trainees hired during the walkout canNOT be considered permanent replacements for the union pilots.

A force of 350 troops from East Caribbean countries are arriving in Trinidad today to help security forces re-establish order after an unsuccessful six-day coup attempt. Trinidad's chief government spokesman says the rebels who tried to oust the government face treason charges and execution by hanging. There have been NO executions in Trinidad since 1975.

Authorities in suburban Philadelphia say a woman's conscience has led her to confess to the murder and dismemberment of her live-in boyfriend eight years ago. As a result, murder and related charges have been filed against Kathleen Branch and her friend, Catherine Wells. Authorities say the women killed the man by cutting his body into pieces and throwing it into two dumpsters.

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BONN (AUG. 3) UPI - West German soccer fans wanting a souvenir from last month's World Cup championship now can buy a tuft of grass from the Rome Olympic Stadium field on which the final match was played.

''We noticed that soccer fans are crazy about everything that is remotely

connected with the sport,'' said grass salesman Harald Pigall, who runs an advertisement agency in Hamburg. ''There have been cases in the past where people tore down goalposts after matches and took home bits of them. So why not sell the grass?''

Pigall said his company has chopped up the World Cup field into 306,000 pieces. Sales of the grass patches officially will be launched next week.

Fans can buy their souvenir patch of pitch in two forms. A model of the Olympic Stadium, with a patch of grass measuring 13 by 20 centimeters, sells for 160 marks ($100).

Labelled ''Evergreen,'' the patch comes either ''conserved'' in an authentic green color or ''alive'' for the fan to water and mow.

In a limited edition, an acrylic block housing a patch of grass measuring 6.5 by 5 centimeters will be sold for 285 marks ($178).

Both the model and the block will be accompanied by a certificate stating the grass is genuine and an insurance policy covering fire, theft and destruction of the souvenir.

From every piece sold, 10 marks ($6.25) will go to German Sports Aid, a public fund-raising institution to support West German sports.

A month after West Germany's World Cup triumph, the fanaticism which gripped the country throughout the tournament still rages, resulting in record season-ticket sales for Bundesliga teams and soaring demand for souvenirs.

Among the first to be snapped up was shirts and jogging outfits in the German team colors, which sold out nationwide within a week of the final.

Pigall said he went to Italy after the World Cup final and secured the rights to sell the grass from the Olympic Stadium.

He bought the whole field and will launch a worldwide sale, though the biggest part of the pitch will stay in West Germany.

''We had to fight hard to get the rights for the penalty spot from which Andreas Brehme scored the winning goal against Argentina,'' Pigall said.

The penalty spot, preserved in its entirety, will be sold at a special auction for the benefit of German Sports Aid.

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#90215u0890 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - America's civilian jobless rate jumped to 5.5 percent in July from 5.2 percent in June in the worst showing in two years the Labor Department reported Friday.

DRI/McGraw Hill economist Cynthia Latta said the report confirms the economy is ''teetering'' on a recession.

''It finally brought the employment picture into line with all the data we've been seeing,'' Latta said from her office in Lexington, Mass. ''There's just not a lot of strength here.''

The number of non-farm jobs plunged by 219,000 in July to 110.7 million, with the largest job losses coming in the services sector of the economy, mainly 162,000 temporary census workers.

The construction industry also suffered heavily as did manufacturing, but the pace of factory job losses was slower than in recent months, according to the report compiled by the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

''July losses were essentially limited to electrical equipment and the industries that produce materials used in construction,'' the Labor Department said.

The government said July's 5.5 percent civilian jobless rate was the highest since 5.5 percent in July 1988. In April, the jobless rate hit 5.4 percent, but fell to 5.3 percent in May.

''The nation's job market weakened in July,'' said Janet Norwood, a Labor Department official. ''The civilian jobless rate, which had showed little movement for nearly 2 years, increased by 0.3 percentage point.''

In an interview on the Financial News Network, analyst Peter Cardillo of Jesup, Josephthal & Co. said the sharp decline in non-farm payrolls reflects a rapidly falling economy.

Excluding the layoffs of the temporary census workers, employment in the service industries was essentially unchanged in July and health services - which have been rapidly expanding in recent months - posted only a moderate gain.

There were also more jobs added in the retail trade industry, but employment held steady in wholesale trade, finance, insurance, real estate transportation and public utilities.

There was a bit of a bright spot in the industrial sector of the economy with job increases in the fabricated metals and textiles industries, but the total number of U.S. factory jobs has plunged by more than 300,000 since March 1989.

The July average weekly workweek held steady at 34.7 hours for the second consecutive month, while the manufacturing workweek fell to 40.9 hours in July from 41 hours in June. July overtime averaged 3.7 hours, down from 3.8 hours in June.

Weekly earnings, meanwhile, headed up by 0.6 percent in July.

Including military personnel, the July jobless rate increased to 5.4 percent from 5.1 percent.

For blacks, the July jobless rate soared to 11.3 percent from 10.4 percent while the July jobless rate for teenagers leaped to 16.3 percent from 14.1 percent.

The jobless rate for Hispanics jumped to 7.9 percent last month from 7.1 percent in June.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - A jury Friday began its first full day of deliberations on 14 cocaine and perjury counts against Mayor Marion Barry.

The identities of the jurors - 10 blacks and two whites - were revealed Thursday from a pool of 18 jurors and alternates sequestered since they were picked June 18. The nine women and three men deliberated for 40 minutes Thursday afternoon and resumed at about 9:30 a.m. Friday.

''I'm rather anxious, obviously, with the fate of Marion Barry's guilt or innocence in the hands of 12 people, but that's the way it ought to be,'' said the three-term mayor, who could face prison time if convicted.

In his instructions to the jury, U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson said the use of alcohol before using cocaine is not a defense, nor is addiction a defense for cocaine use. He also said the jurors could not consider race and the cost of the federal investigation that led to Barry's arrest.

Barry, 54, is charged with three felony counts of perjury, 10 misdemeanor counts of cocaine possession and a single misdemeanor count of conspiracy to possess cocaine. If convicted of all counts, he could be sentenced to a maximum 26 years in prison and fined $1.85 million.

After a nine-week trial, Barry's lawyer admitted in closing arguments that the mayor lied to his constituents while using cocaine but said the federal government used an unfair standard in targeting Barry.

''He's being prosecuted because he is the mayor,'' lead defense attorney R. Kenneth Mundy said Thursday. ''The government has indicated that if he were a common man, he wouldn't be here for these offenses ...''

The jury watched a videotape of Barry smoking crack and heard 10 government witnesses testify that he used cocaine in 20 homes, 15 hotels, four boats and two government offices.

Mundy acknowledged that Barry secretly used cocaine while publicly leading an anti-drug fight.

''Despite all the denials, Mr. Barry was an occasional user of cocaine,'' Mundy said. ''(But) I don't want you to divine from this ... that we are pleading guilty or admitting to any of these charges.''

Margaret Batson, one of the six dismissed jurors, said, ''I almost fell out of my seat when I heard the man say that because I didn't expect that from the defense.''

Mundy contends the government never proved Barry used cocaine on the dates and times charged and asked jurors to acquit him on those grounds. Jackson said evidence need not point to a specific date.

Mundy said Barry was entrapped in the Jan. 18 sting at the Vista International Hotel. Jackson said even if Barry was induced to use crack, he could be found guilty if it was shown he had a ''predisposition'' to use drugs through prior conduct.

''The sad fact is that Marion Barry was out to get himself,'' Assistant U.S. Attorney Richard Roberts said in rebuttal of the defense arguments. ''Can the defense seriously argue that Marion Barry did not have a predisposition to using drugs?

''Look at all these witneses,'' Roberts said. ''Think how many times he did these drugs. ... Marion Barry is asking you to forget the truth, to ignore it. ... He is particularly insulting your intelligence when he says he was an occasional drug user.''

Mundy said the government wanted to ''hold (Barry) up for scorn and ridicule for his apparent hypocrisy,'' but said Barry was morally right in denouncing drug use in talks to young people even while he was involved with drugs himself.

''Is it consciousness of guilt if I do something wrong and tell my son not to do it? Is it wrong to walk along the ice and fall in and then tell someone following me to turn back, the ice is treacherous?'' Mundy asked. ''Is it wrong if an ill wind blows out my light, if I try to light a candle for another?''

In their closing arguments, prosecutors focused mostly on the three perjury charges, which under federal sentencing guidelines carry an almost certain prison term. They said Barry lied before the grand jury on Jan. 19, 1989, by denying drug involvement with key prosecution witness Charles Lewis.

Lewis, the central figure in seven of the 14 counts, testified as part of a plea bargain stemming from drug charges in Washington. He still faces sentencing on a drug conviction in the Virgin Islands.

''Charles Lewis is kept captive by the government, holding the key to his freedom so long as he will testify against Mr. Barry,'' charged Mundy, who said many government witnesses were compromised by plea agreements or grants of immunity.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $383.70, silver base of $4.90 and platinum price of $492.40:

Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$392.00	400.00
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	201.20	205.00
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	103.30	105.30
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.70	43.50
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	392.00	400.00
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	201.20	205.00
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	103.80	105.80
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.70	43.50
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	398.30	405.90
China Panda .50 troy oz.	205.20	209.10
China Panda .25 troy oz.	106.40	108.50
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.50	46.80
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.50	28.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	392.20	399.60
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	200.40	204.20
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	101.30	103.20
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.60	44.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	391.20	397.70
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	202.50	205.90
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	104.00	105.60
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.20	44.90
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	391.00	397.50
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	201.00	204.40
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	85.30	86.70
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.70	45.40
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	22.80	23.10

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.26	$6.31
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,450	$3,480
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,500	$1,525
Platinum		
Australian Koala	508.00	517.00
Isle of Man Noble	496.00	505.00
Canada Maple Leaf	513.00	522.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90215u0981 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - There's fighting in Kuwait City today between bands of loyalists and Iraqi invasion forces. The fighting is coupled with reports that as many as eight American oil workers have been captured by Iraqi soldiers. Sources say the troops are now advancing toward Kuwait's border with Saudi Arabia. Saudi Arabia and Iraq have a NON-aggression pact, but there is said to be concern in the Saudi capital.

President Bush met today with national security advisers to review the tense situation in the Middle East. The talks came as the administration awaits word on eight missing Americans. The White House says a U-S oil company reported that eight of its workers are missing from oil fields near the Iraqi border in northern Kuwait. The State Department says it has asked Iraq for information on the Americans... but- quoting here- ''we haven't got an answer yet.''

It appears as if a unified Germany will become a reality ahead of schedule. West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl agreed today with East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere's proposal for German unification to take place in the early fall... instead of December. The plan also calls for all-German elections to be held on October 14th. The process is being speeded up to aid East Germany's rapidly crumbling economy.

The Labor Department says the nation's civilian jobless rate jumped to five-and-a-half percent in July, from five-point-two percent in June. The department says the service sector of the economy was the hardest hit,

with construction and manufacturing also suffering heavily. A government spokesman says the jobless figures mark the worst showing in two years.

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#90215u0985 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - The House is scheduled to take action this week on Senate-passed oil spill legislation. Senators say the tough new bill will make major improvements in federal and industry efforts to prevent future spills and ensure effective clean-up. The Senate passed the measure yesterday on a 99up of major accidents... and increases the liability of those responsible eight-fold.

People in Astoria, Oregon, probably won't be watching the movie ''Jaws'' on their V-C-R's this weekend... with a shark fishing tournament scheduled today and tomorrow off the mouth of the Columbia River. Opponents failed in a legal attempt to stop the hunt, which they say will lure sharks dangerously close to beaches and increase the likelihood of attacks on humans.

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#90215u0988 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 3) UPI - Chrysler Corp. negotiators have asked the United Auto Workers this week to try a ''pay-for-performance'' system at two unspecified assembly plants, hoping it could eventually be adopted throughout the automaker.

Chrysler detailed the plan to the union Thursday afternoon, asking the UAW to form a joint study group on the porposal. The union had no immediate official response.

Chrysler first publicly proposed what it called ''gain sharing'' July 20, the opening day of labor talks between the No. 3 carmaker and the union. They are bargaining to reach a new contract covering about 55,000 Chrysler workers to replace the current pact that expires Sept. 14.

But such a plan, described as a system where workers would get extra annual compensation for reduced absenteeism, higher productivity or quality gains, has been regarded skeptically by the union because it seems to put a portion of the worker's pay at risk.

''I don't think you can take this system,'' one UAW official who asked not to be identified told the Detroit News. ''You've still got too many people in our system that are from the old school and this concept would be a drastic change.''

Chrysler has had a gain sharing program in place at its Acustar

parts-making subsidiary plant in Dayton, Ohio, that is not organized by the UAW. That plant, which has 900 employees who produce heating and air conditioning systems, paid workers an average $1,300 last year in gain sharing.

The UAW is also bargaining with industry giant General Motors Corp. and second-ranked Ford Motor Co. for new contracts that also expire Sept. 14. In all, about 500,000 U.S. auto workers are covered by the current three-year agreements.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 3) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Friday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery steady; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 77-80; large 73-79; medium 53-59.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Bank New Hampshire (2nd Q 6-30)	
....	....
$33,000 (.01)	$2,331,000 (.69)
Canadian Tire (2nd Q 6-30)	
$821,641,000	$785,492,000
$ 38,443,000 (.43)	$ 38,755,000 (.43)
Amounts in Canadian dollars	
CCL Industries (2nd Q 6-30)	
$125,100,000	$95,700,000
$ 4,200,000 (.13)	$ 4,100,000 (.12)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Harper Group (2nd Q 6-30)	
$107,902,000	$100,288,000

$4,248,000 (.44) $3,705,000 (.39)

Kamenstein M Inc (2nd Q 6-30)
$6,185,000 $6,143,000
$252,000 (.10) $14,000 (.01)

Kenan Transport Co (2nd Q 6-30)
$11,505,000 $11,231,000
$203,000 (.09) $565,000 (.24)

NUI Corp (3rd Q 6-30)
$57,816,000 $56,686,000
d-$842,000 d-$281,000
d-Deficit.

Software Toolworks Inc (2nd Q 6-30)
$22,325,000 $12,815,000
$5,875,000 (.29) $984,000 (.06)

20th Century Indus (2nd Q 6-30)
$195,670,836 $173,981,304
$19,358,357 (.75) $14,374,866 (.56)

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#90215u1074 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - Just before the House debated the Civil Rights Act Friday, lawmakers booed Rep. Fortney ''Pete'' Stark, D-Calif., for calling Health Secretary Louis Sullivan, who is black, a ''disgrace to his ... race.''

''I find this attack as bizarre as it is deplorable,'' said House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois.

''Coming as it does in the midst of a debate on civil rights as the majority is telling us of its undoubted sensitivity on racial matters, this attack must sadden the majority as it does the rest of us. To gratuitously drag in Secretary Sullivan's race in a dispute over policy brings discredit upon this institution,'' Michel said, drawing applause. He called on Stark to apologize to Sullivan.

Stark, a white liberal, then admitted to his colleagues he ''blew it'' by bringing up race when he said at a Thursday news conference Sullivan ''is a disgrace to his profession and his race.'' Stark is distressed that Sullivan opposes abortion and national health insurance. He contends the secretary has modified or changed his personal views so they coincide with those of President Bush.

But Stark did not apologize for the content of his objection to Sullivan's policies and those of the Bush administration.

''I should not have brought into the discussion his race, because it obscures the fact that he is carrying on a bankrupt policy for an administration who inadvertently has been impacting the poor and the minorities in this country by denying them decent medical care,'' Stark said to a barrage of boos.

Stark continued in his one-minute speech that Sullivan is being led ''down the path of darkness'' by budget director Richard Darman and White House chief of staff John Sununu on an anti-abortion stand and opposition to national health insurance.

Rep. Vin Weber, R-Minn., called Stark's initial comments about race ''nakedly racist,'' and Rep. Jim Kolbe, R-Ariz., said, ''No person should be subjected to remarks degrading their race.''

Meanwhile, Rep. Robert Dornan, R-Calif., an outspoken conservative, pulled out of his pocket a plastic replica of a 12-week-old fetus and, denouncing Stark's pro-abortion views, spoke about the sanctity of life.

Sullivan, who usually maintains a cool decorum while under attack, exploded Thursday when told of Stark's comments, which he took as deeply personal and insulting. He called them ''paternalistic and frankly racist'' and demanded an apology.

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#90215u1077 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 84-86; large 81-84 and mediums 61-64.

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#90215u1092 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (AUG. 3) UPI - Israel, vowing to protect its security interests following the Iraqi takeover of Kuwait, warned Baghdad Friday it will view the movement of Iraqi forces toward Jordan as a direct threat to the Jewish state.

Foreign Minister David Levy told Army Radio that Israel had to be stronger following Thursday's incursion and must coordinate its activities closely with the United States and Western nations.

In the lengthy interview, Levy repeated the established Israeli position that Israel would not tolerate Iraqi troops in neighboring Jordan.

''An Iraqi movement in the direction of Jordan will present a real and immediate danger to Israel,'' Levy said. The foreign minister would not elaborate on what actions Israel would take if Iraq took such a step.

''Israel will do what is necessary to defend its vital security interests '' he said. ''Israel is not threatening, it is being threatened. ... Israel has announced more than once that it has no intention to attack Iraq. On the contrary, it is prepared for peace with any Arab state that wants peace.''

Levy also confirmed that the United States and Israel, its closest ally in the Middle East, were consulting during the crisis. Levy is scheduled to make his first visit to the United States as Israel's foreign minister next week and to meet with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker.

Assessing the consequences of the Iraqi invasion, Israeli leaders and commentators said Friday that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein did not pose an immediate threat, but warned his aggressive intentions would grow if he was permitted to consolidate his hold on the oil-rich Gulf state.

''It will take time for Iraq to digest its takeover of Kuwait, but if Baghdad emerges from its invasion with great profit and minimal loss, there is no doubt that Saddam Hussein's appetite will grow,'' respected military analyst Ze'ev Schiff wrote in the newspaper Ha'aretz.

Israel is 260 miles from Iraq, separated by Jordan and Syria, but within range of medium-range missiles that Iraq has the capability of equipping with chemical warheads.

Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Dan Shomron said Saddam knew he would pay a heavy price for attacking Israel, especially with non-conventional weapons.

''I cannot say that Saddam Hussein is crazy,'' Shomron told the newspaper Yediot Ahronot. ''He is an impulsive, violent and radical man. But even a madman knows to be careful of harsh retaliatory blows against him.''

Shomron said a war between Iraq and Israel would not be decided by chemical weapons and warned Israel would not tolerate a high number of casualties due to chemical weapons.

''Our responses to missiles are not only in the realm of defense. One of

them, maybe the most important, is deterence,'' he said, but declined to elaborate.

Ha'aretz reported that Defense Minister Moshe Arens recently conveyed a message to Iraq stating that Israel had no intention of attacking the Arab state as long as Israel's security was not threatened.

Many Israeli leaders said the invasion would shift international attention away from the Palestinian uprising in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip to the Gulf. But Rabin warned that a stalemate in the Middle East peace process would lead to Palestinians and Arabs looking to Baghdad for inspiration.

Palestinians in the territories followed the events in the Gulf closely, and many said they admired Saddam for his resolve in toppling the rich Kuwaiti ruling family.

''Instead of invading Kuwait or any Arab country, Iraq must invade Israel '' said Naim Abdel Rahman, 60, of Gaza City. ''Saddam is a brave leader and isn't afraid of anybody. But in general this situation doesn't interest us as much as our (Palestinian) question does.''

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#90215u1102 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (AUG. 3) UPI - Egypt called on Iraq Friday to withdraw its troops from Kuwait immediately and stop all attempts to alter Kuwait's political system by force.

Egypt is allied to Iraq in the Arab Cooperation Council and the government of President Hosni Mubarak had previously withheld any official response to the invasion by Baghdad Thursday.

The statement by the Foreign Ministry did not specify what action Cairo may consider if Iraq did not heed its warning, but appeared timed to coincide with the opening in Cairo of a meeting of foreign ministers from the 22-nation Arab League.

The Foreign Ministry said President Saddam Hussein's attack had taken Cairo by surprise because it followed intense efforts by Arab nations to mediate an end to the Iraq-Kuwait land and oil dispute that preceded the invasion.

''The current situation in the (Persian) Gulf requires taking three steps immediately and without delay,'' the statement said.

''The withdrawal of the Iraqi forces from Kuwaiti territory, stopping the attempt to change the ruling system in Kuwait by force, and leaving it up

to the brotherly Kuwaiti people to determine their own internal affairs freely and independently,'' it said.

Egypt is one of the largest military powers in the Middle East.

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#90215u1116 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (AUG. 3) UPI - The United States told its NATO allies Friday it is considering contingency plans and will ''not stand by'' if Iraq extends hostilties beyond the invasion of Kuwait, sources said.

All 16 NATO countries also agreed at a special meeting of NATO's political committee not to supply arms to Iraq. Most countries said they have frozen Iraqi or Kuwaiti assets or are in the process of doing so, the sources said.

The United States on Thursday urged its NATO allies to join a larger trade embargo against Iraq but other countries said they could not act until after an emergency meeting of European Community foreign ministry officials in Rome Saturday.

Ireland is the only member of the 12-nation EC that is not also a member of NATO.

''The United States informed its allies it is considering contingency plans, contingency actions, in the event Iraq expands the hostilities beyond Kuwait,'' the NATO source said.

''Those plans were not outlined in detail, but it was made clear the United States would not stand by, and the allies expressed appreciation of that,'' the source said.

The NATO allies meanwhile expressed ''broad and strong support'' for a concerted U.N. action, after Iraq ignored a resolution passed unanimously on Thursday by the U.N. Security Council, which called for an immediate withdrawal of Iraqi troops.

''Some countries are eager to move rather quickly toward some action,'' the NATO source said.

NATO's political committee scheduled another meeting for Monday, but was prepared to meet over the weekend if necessary.

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#90215u1157 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

BONN (AUG. 3) UPI - West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and East German

Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere agreed Friday that their nations will unite in time to hold all-German elections Oct. 14.

The decision to speed-up the merger of the two German states after 41 years of division was seen as a bid to prevent the total collapse of East Germany's rapidly crumbling economy, which is beset by soaring unemployment, sinking productivity and crippling strikes.

''For the historically significant first all-German elections I propose October 14,'' de Maiziere told reporters in East Berlin, adding that the two states will have to merge before that date.

A few hours later, Kohl gave his full backing to the suggestion.

''The proposal reflects the wishes in the GDR but also (of) the Federal Republic of Germany,'' Kohl said in a statement he delivered from his vacation home in the Austrian town of St. Gilgen.

The two governments had earlier agreed that elections should be held Dec. 2. Although no date had been fixed for unification, it was assumed the merger would take place shortly before the elections.

The two conservative leaders will still need parliamentary approval, will have to seek constitutional changes and will require formal agreement with the four victorious World War II allies - Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States.

If the proposal is adopted, it will mean the two German states will unite one year after popular unrest shook East Germany and brought down the Stalinist leadership, paving the way for unity.

Kohl and de Maiziere expressed confidence that the wartime allies will formally approve the early merger when their foreign ministers meet with their German counterparts in Moscow, Sept. 12 for negotiations on the external aspects of unification - known as two-plus-four.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev removed the major obstacle to unification last month when he told Kohl during a meeting in the Soviet Union that he no longer objected to Germany's membership in NATO.

''My agreements with President Gorbachev have opened the outlook for a successful conclusion of the two-plus-four negotiations already in September,'' Kohl said.

He also said that Bonn and East Berlin were moving rapidly toward agreement on a unification treaty.

''Both are important preconditions for an early election date,'' Kohl said.

He said that the two German governments will now be able to hold ''thorough and responsible talks over the realization of this proposal with all those involved.''

He said people in East and West Germany feel that ''a swift unification process will now reduce the adaptation difficulties and financial burdens.''

The call for early unification followed growing discontent over the East German government's handling of West German funds and its failure to cope with the economic crisis after the strong West German mark replaced the weak East mark July 1.

''We want a rapid improvement of the climate for investments, to crank up the economy in the GDR as well as create and secure jobs,'' Kohl's Chancellery Minister Rudolf Seiters said.

De Maiziere said that early elections will bring ''political clarity and thus economic security.''

''The quicker this happens, the better for the rehabilitation of existing companies, for new investment and for the creation of new jobs,'' he said.

The West German opposition Social Democratic Party said they will challenge the decision saying it is unconstitutional.

SPD spokesman Horst Ehmke claimed that de Maiziere ''is moving from quiet grandeur to quiet delusions of grandeur.''

Officials of the SPD's East German sister party, the second largest in the government coalition, also rejected the proposal, claiming that de Maiziere was afraid to face the full electoral consequences of the economic crisis he brought about.

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DETROIT (AUG. 3) UPI - General Motors Corp. said Friday it suspended participation in a project to build a vehicle assembly plant near Baghdad that was slated to produce Oldsmobile cars and Chevrolet trucks by as early as next year.

The decision to suspend any involvement in the 10-year project was because of an order by President Bush that halted any participation by any American business in Iraq because of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait this week, GM spokesman Jack Harned said.

GM did not have any financial participation in the assembly plant project, for which no ground has been broken yet. Instead, the Iraqi State Enterprise for Automotive Industry had agreed in May 1989 to pay GM for technical support and a license to build Oldsmobile Ciera cars and Chevrolet S-10 pickup trucks and Blazer sport utility vehicles.

The agreement was unique because it is one of the few instances where North American-designed vehicles would be built overseas, Harned said.

GM has also during the past two years sold about 15,000 North American-made cars to Iraq under a deal valued at aboyut $200 million.

''We regret the developments in Kuwait, a country in which GM has done business for many years,'' GM said in a statement, adding that it has two dealers there who sell North American-built cars at an annual rate of about 10,000 units a year.

Harned said it was too early to tell how those dealers, both Kuwaiti nationals, would be affected in the long-term, saying GM has been unable to contact them. All shipments now enroute have been redirected.

GM has no dealers in Iraq.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - Iraq now has troops massed along Kuwait's border with Saudi Arabia... as well as on the Iraqi-Saudi dividing line. One Western diplomat says Saudi Arabia has NOT even put its troops on full alert because it does NOT want to provoke Iraq. Iraqi invasion forces are still battling Kuwaiti loyalists in Kuwait City.

President Bush is considering increased retaliation against Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait. Bush says he wants Arab leaders to come up with a solution to the problem... but he's NOT ruling out U-S military intervention in the Persian Gulf. The president reviewed the situation again today during a meeting with national security advisers.

The Labor Department says the nation's civilian jobless rate had its worst showing in two years last month. The rate jumped to five-and-a-half percent in July from five-point-two percent in June. One economist says the report confirms that the economy is ''teetering'' on the brink of a recession.

A jury in Washington, D-C, is into its first full day of deliberations on 14 cocaine and perjury counts against Mayor Marion Barry. Defense attorney Kenneth Mundy told jurors yesterday that Barry was ''an occasional'' cocaine user. But Mundy added- quote- ''he's being prosecuted because he

is the mayor.''

The U-S Marshals Service says a member of Colombia's powerful Cali drug family is one of two accused cocaine traffickers who were extradited to Florida today. The defendants arrived in Miami from Bogota this morning and were being held in a federal prison pending arraignment.

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#90215u1165 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

TYRE, LEBANON (AUG. 3) UPI - Car bombs triggered in southern Lebanon killed 13 people and wounded a number of others, hospital sources and police said Friday.

A booby-trapped car packed with 220 pounds of explosives blew up late Thursday in front of an office of the Syrian-backed Shiite Amal militia in the port city of Tyre, 46 miles south of Beirut, police said.

Medical sources said 12 people were killed and at least 15 others wounded. Among the dead were three Amal militiamen, the sources said, adding that three children from the same family suffered severe wounds.

Ten minutes earlier, an explosion rocked the same area. No one was killed, however. The second explosion occurred as rescue workers and a number of people began to gather to inspect the damage from the first, police said.

Another car bomb blew up in the Amal-controlled market town of Nabatiyeh, killing one person and wounding four others, authorities said.

Police said the auto, laden with 66 pounds of explosives, blew up near the crowded government house in Nabatiyeh, 33 miles southeast of Beirut.

Amal militiamen cordoned off the area and barred civilians from approaching.

Later, a large funeral was held for the dead in Tyre, during which the crowd chanted anti-Iranian slogans.

Amal has been engaged in a 19-day battle against the Iranian-funded Shiite Hezbollah militia in the mountainuous district of Iqlim Al Tuffah east of the port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut.

The fundamentalist Hezbollah, with reported backing by Iranian Revolutionary Guards, appears bent on expanding its presence in southern Lebanon.

Iran's former interior minister, Ali Akbar Mohtashemi, a leading hard-liner, is believed to enjoy wide authority over Hezbollah militants

in Lebanon.

An Amal statement accused Hezbollah of ''standing behind these sabotage operations which aimed at harming our people in southern Lebanon.''

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#90215u1176 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

PAINESVILLE, OH (AUG. 3) UPI - Another cult member accused in the April 1989 slaying of a family of five pleaded guilty Friday in an arrangement with prosecutors to testify against other defendants.

Susan Luff of Independence, Mo., was to go on trial Monday to face five charges each of conspiracy to commit aggravated murder, complicity to commit aggravated murder and kidnapping in the shootings of members of the Kirtland family, who were part of the cult.

She pleaded guilty to the conspiracy charges and, in exchange for her testimony, prosecutors agreed to consider dropping the other 10 charges. If convicted of all 15 charges, she could have been sentenced to life in prison, but probation is now a possibility.

Luff is the fifth cult member to plead guilty in Lake County Common Pleas Court in arrangements with prosecutors.

Alice Lundgren, the wife of cult leader and alleged triggerman Donald Jeff Lundgren, was convicted Wednesday of conspiracy, complicity and kidnapping charges. Sentencing is pending.

Murder charges against three others cult members have been dropped and four cult members, including Donald Lundgren, still face aggravated murder charges. They could be sentenced to death if convicted.

Donald Lundgren's trial is to begin Aug. 13 and son Damon Lundgren is to go on trial Aug. 20. Ronald Luff, Susan's husband, is to go on trial Sept. 17 and Daniel Kraft is to go on trial Oct. 1.

Thirteen members of the cult, a group which had broken away from the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, were indicted Jan. 5.

The slayings are said to have taken place April 17, 1989, but the bodies were not discovered in a Kirtland barn east of Cleveland until authorities received a call from a tipster in early January.

The group moved from Kirtland to Davis, W.Va., in April 1989 and then on to Chilhowee, Mo., in October before breaking up.

Arrests were made near San Diego, Independence, Mo., and Bay City, Mich.

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#90215u1178 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - An outbreak of the Mediterranean fruit fly has been squelched in Florida, the government said Friday in announcing removal of an agricultural quarantine in Dade County.

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, which has conducted intensive trapping surveys, said no Medflies have been found in Florida since May 21.

''We now feel confident that the pest has been eliminated and that this quarantine is no longer necessary,'' said James Glosser, head of the inspection service.

The Medfly is one of the world's most destructive agricultural pests, attacking 260 kinds of fruits, vegetables and nuts. In countries where the fruit fly is well established, crop losses of 25 percent to 50 percent are not uncommon.

Officials said 23 Medflies were discovered in Dade County between April 12 and May 21. State and federal officials eradicated the pest with a bait that contained the insecticide malathion.

Agricultural officials continue to battle Medflies in California.

Under an agricultural quarantine, shipment of produce is restricted unless there is proof the food is not contaminated.

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#90215u1192 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

PANAMA CITY, PANAMA (AUG. 3) UPI - The operation of the Panama Canal could become seriously compromised if the Panamanian government delays planning for its takeover of the waterway at the end of the decade, a key canal official said Friday.

They said the 7-month-old government of President Guillermo Endara has yet to address the issue of how the canal will be run or how to fill key jobs with qualified Panamanians at the end of 1999, when the United States turns the canal over to Panama.

''There is still quite a way to go before (Panamanian government officials) are ready to take over,'' said Richard Wainio of the Panama Canal Commission, the U.S. government agency that currently operates the canal.

''When you talk about the actual operation of the canal, I don't think the government has a lot of knowledge,'' said Wainio, director of executive planning for commission.

With as many as 40 ships a day easing through its lock and dam system, the Panama Canal is a rare symbol of stability in a country that has been rocked by political turmoil and by the U.S. invasion that ousted military ruler Manuel Noriega.

Although much of the fighting during last December's invasion took place adjacent to the canal, it closed for just 29 hours and backed-up traffic was cleared within a few weeks.

For the past decade, 11,000 to 14,000 ships a year have crossed the isthmus between the Pacific and Atlantic oceans, generating about $300 million a year in tolls. The canal accounts for 10 percent to 15 percent of Panama's gross national product and provides 7,600 jobs.

Opened in 1914 under U.S. control, the canal became a focus of nationalism in the 1960s and 1970s as Panamanians clamored for sovereignty over the central strip across their country.

Under the Panama Canal Treaty, signed in 1977, Panama will assume control of the waterway at noon on Dec. 31, 1999. A second treaty calls for the canal to remain neutral while the U.S. military's Southern Command is charged with defending the canal until the turnover.

But some shippers worry that canal services could suffer once the Panamanian government takes over, said Wainio, an American who grew up in the former Canal Zone.

He pointed out the state-run railroad and ports, which the United States turned over to Panama in 1979, have gone to seed.

''Look what they did to the ports. Look what they did to the railroad. Look what happened to the infrastructure. Everything is falling apart and the grass hasn't been cut,'' said Wainio, paraphrasing complaints he has heard from shippers.

The canal already faces increased competition from rail transit and other shipping routes, and Wainio warned that glitches in operating the canal could scare away longstanding customers.

Many businessmen think a joint venture between the government and private contractors would mean better service than a state-run canal next century, Wainio said.

A commission on privatization, named by Endara, has recommended some private involvement in operating the canal with the government retaining ownership, according to Fernando Manfredo Jr., acting administrator of the Panama Canal Commission.

Miguel Antonio Bernal, a law professor at the University of Panama, said an international board of directors would help to maintain the canal's neutrality.

Manfredo favors an international board, but says it would be a controversial move after Panama's long struggle to sign the canal treaty with the United States and win sovereignty.

Labor troubles could also hurt the canal. Manfredo and others fear an exodus of canal workers to other jobs if wages drop dramatically once Panama takes over. Workers are currently paid U.S. government-scale wages.

Only 72 of the 230 pilots who guide the ships through the canal are Panamanian. Training pilots can take up to 10 years.

Capt. F.W. Skouggard, an American who heads the Panama Canal Pilots Association, said the transition process is going smoothly and that enough Panamanians will be trained by 1999 to fill almost all pilot slots.

Endara spokesman Louis Martinez said the government is busy with more pressing issues than the canal, such as trying to rebuild the economy and to mold a credible police force out of Noriega's former army.

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#90215u1198 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - Security forces in the twin island nation of Trinidad and Tobago are receiving back-up from fellow East Caribbean nations. 350 troops from other countries were to arrive in Trinidad today to help authorities restore order following an abandoned coup attempt. The rebels who tried to oust the government will be charged with treason and murder.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami says a tropical storm is NOT expected to pose a threat to land anytime soon as it swirls across the Atlantic. At 6 a-m, E-D-T, the center of Tropical Storm Cesar was about 920 miles west of the Cape Verde Islands. Cesar was moving with 50-mile-an-hour winds.

The House has passed and sent to the Senate an aviation spending bill that ended up costing airline passengers. House members passed the measure that includes an airport user fee. The fee could add as much as 12 dollars to the cost of a round-trip ticket. The fee is part of a White House plan to improve the nation's aviation system.

Paying a thousand bucks for dinner doesn't always mean you won't walk away with a bad taste in your mouth. Ronald Reagan spoke at a G-O-P fund-raiser last night in Fresno, California, where he was attacked by a swarm of gnats. The former president said the bugs didn't ''taste good at all.''

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#90215u1202 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 3) UPI - Stock prices closed broadly lower in moderately active trading Friday on the London International stock exchange as investors reacted to Wall Street's sharp plunge and unconfirmed rumors of an Iraqi threat to Saudi Arabia.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which measures the value of Britain's largest 100 companies in terms of market capitalization, fell 19.9 points to 2,274.0. The closely watched index fell 34.5 points Thursday.

The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 18.0 points to 1,793.4.

Volume amounted to around 525 million shares compared with 562 million shares changing hands on Thursday.

Analysts said stocks opened higher as some institutional investors, heavy with cash, were buying in the market despite the invasion of Kuwait by Iraqi forces on Thursday.

Investors grew jittery around midday on rumors Iraqi troops were moving into Saudi Arabia.

Analysts said prices were further shaken by Wall Street's 70-point plunge following a weaker-than-expected U.S. jobless report for July.

On the trading floor, oil and related stocks continued to rise on the Gulf situation.

Elsewhere among some of the day's other widely traded stocks, British Aerospace gained 22 cents to $10.36 and Vickers added 5 cents to $4.20 on hopes that tension in the Middle East would translate into higher arms sales.

Barclays Bank PLC fell 16 cents to $6.73 after the bank announced a 2 percent increase in pre-tax profits to $1.11 billion in its report for the half-year.

Berisford International, the troubled food and property group, lost 14 cents to 60 cents a share on bid uncertainties.

Bakery group Rank Hovis McDougall slipped 18 cents to $5.61 after an analyst reduced profits forecasts.

Elsewhere in Europe, in Frankfurt stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange fell 1.5 percent in a market racked by uncertainty surrounding the volatile state of affairs in the Middle East.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which lost 23.51 points Thursday, plunged 28.44 points or 1.5 percent to 1,840.94.

Analysts said prices also fell in light trading as investors worried about the mushrooming East German government deficit.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Burn victim David Opont, in his first interview since he was set afire by a neighborhood bully March 7, said Friday the biggest lesson he learned from his ordeal was ''to say no to drugs.''

In an interview on ''CBS This Morning,'' Opont, dressed in a neat suit and bow tie, smiled pleasantly but kept his answers short and to the point.

When asked about his biggest lesson since a 13-year-old foster child tied him up and set him on fire, David said, ''I learned to say no to drugs.''

Initial reports said Opont's attacker, described by police as a neighborhood ''bully,'' tried to get him to take drugs.

David, who turned 12 the day after the youth set him on fire in the basement of an abandoned Brooklyn building, was treated at New York University-Cornell Medical Center and later transferred to Jamaica Hospital for rehabilitation.

On the show, a videotaped message from former President Reagan was shown.

Reagan said, ''David, we were pleased to be able to see you and I hope that our paths cross again one day in the not-too-distant future. Please know that you're still in our thoughts and prayers.''

David quickly responded, saying, ''Thank you a lot.''

During the first days of his hospital stay, the list of notables visiting the thinly framed boy included Jesse Jackson, Mayor David Dinkins and Mets pitching ace Dwight Gooden.

The brave youngster said it was painful for him to walk at first, but

added that his skin grafts did not hurt but were very ''itchy.''

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OMAHA (AUG. 3) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves 25; insufficient for test.

Hogs 900; butchers 1.00 lower; No 1-3 220-250 lb 60.50-61.00, No 2-3 250-270 lb 59.50-60.50; sows under 500 lb steady, over 500 lb 50 higher; No 1-3 350-500 lb 51.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 52.00.

Sheep None.

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#90215u1221 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
PITTSBURGH (AUG. 3) UPI - The New York investment group Japonica Partners has reached agreement with creditors to take control of bankrupt Allegheny International by Aug. 15, a plan that requires U.S. Bankruptcy Court approval.

Attorneys for AI's 18 creditor banks announced the proposal Thursday at a bankruptcy court hearing. AI's board of directors was scheduled to meet Friday, but an executive committee already recommended approval of the plan.

Japonica, the banks and other AI creditors have been trying to negotiate a deal for weeks that would give Japonica a stake in the company when it emerges from bankruptcy. The latest plan would allow Japonica to own 90 percent of stock in the reorganized firm.

Japonica said it would rename the company Sunbeam/Oster Companies and would keep its headquarters in Pittsburgh.

Under the deal, creditor banks would receive a total of $127 million, or $6.60 a share, for their claims. Unsecured creditors and equity shareholders would get $7 a share of common stock, or $1.53 a warrant. Creditors could elect to retain their shares in the reorganized firm instead of receiving cash.

Japonica would combine $270 milliion of AI's existing cash with equity commitments of $97 million to pay off the banks and creditors of AI's Sunbeam subsidiary.

Japonica must also post a letter of credit to insure creditor payments and provide $100 million in working capital to cover administrative expenses

for the company.

The deal would allow William Webber, a former Sunbeam executive, to become president of the reorganized company. Paul Kazarian, a Japonica principal, would be chairman.

James Milligan, the current Sunbeam president targeted by AI to become the next chairman, would be given a $1.5 million severance payment.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - One result of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait was the addition to a Senate defense bill Friday of a requirement that the United States import no more than half its energy needs.

Sen. Frank Murkowski, R-Alaska, authored the amendment that would require the president to submit an ''energy production and security action plan'' if exports exceeded 50 percent of the U.S. oil supply for six months.

It was adopted without opposition on a voice vote, and now must be approved by the House.

Under the proposal, the oil action plan, which would be subject to Congressional approval, would detail specific steps to get imports back under the 50 percent ceiling.

The oil plan would list federal lands - both on and off shore - now off limits to drillers but that have the potential for oil and gas discoveries. It also would require drawing up a leasing schedule for such tracts. Parklands would be exempted.

In addition, the plan would call for energy conservation measures like better auto fuel economy and use of alternative fuels.

And in a step that would be a boon to oil states, the oil plan would have to include production incentives for domestic oil and gas. The incentives would have to include recommendations on oil import fees, royalty reductions, tax and other incentives for stripper well production.

The incentives also would have to cover the production of offshore, frontier and other oil produced with advanced recovery techniques.

In the first six months of this year oil imports hit a record high of 49.9 percent of U.S. consumption, just below the trigger point in Murkowski's bill.

The Energy Department says that during the period January to May 1990, the

United States imported an average of 610,000 barrels of oil from Iraq daily, accounting for about 8 percent of net oil imports and 3.6 percent of total U.S. demand.

Kuwait supplied approximately 120,000 barrels a day during the same period representing slightly more than 1 percent of net imports and less than half a percent of U.S. consumption.

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#90215u1266 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - Nine days after Congress failed to override President Bush's veto of his family and medical leave legislation, Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., reintroduced the measure Friday, hoping to ''broaden the base of support'' for the plan.

The measure would require all businesses with at least 50 employees to provide up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave per year for childbirth, adoption or serious illness to the employee or an immediate family member, such as a child or parent.

The measure was passed by the House May 10 and by the Senate June 14, but was vetoed June 29 by Bush, who said he favored a voluntary leave system. The House failed to override the Bush veto July 25.

Dodd said he already has 25 Senate co-sponsors for the measure. But he said he is not optimistic the legislation will see much action in the waning months of this session, saying he is hoping ''to broaden the base of support and having the bill in (the Senate) helps keep people aware that we haven't dropped the issue.''

Dodd admitted ''great frustration'' over having to start over with the bill, but he said he is ''confident that the president will respond to the needs of working families'' by eventually backing the legislation.

''Too many workers across the nation lose their jobs when they must care for a newborn or must be home when an adopted child joins the family or when a child is seriously ill,'' Dodd said in a speech on the Senate floor. ''Similarly, in the absence of a national standard for job protection, too many workers lose their jobs when they must care for their elderly parents or when they themselves are ill.''

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#90215u1292 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 3) UPI - Pittsburgh Mayor Sophie Masloff, concerned about possible legal challenges, vetoed legislation Friday that would have banned cigarette vending machines in most public places. Instead, Masloff proposed

new legislation in which such machines could be operated only with tokens purchased by adults.

"Without fairly balancing the needs of owners of publicly used commercial establishments with the need to protect the health of our children, this bill could only be implemented after serious delays," the mayor said in a letter to the council urging that they sustain her veto.

The city council gave final approval to the vending machine ban on a 7-1 vote last week. Its intent was to stop minors from being able to purchase cigarettes. State law already bans the sale of cigarettes to those under 18 years of age.

The controversial measure faced almost certain legal action from tobacco lobbying groups, vending companies and retailers. There were some fears that the ban would hurt smaller mom-and-pop grocery operations and possibly lead to an increased number of cigarette thefts from such stores. The likely litigation would delay the real goal of the legislation, to protect the health of children, Masloff said.

New legislation proposed by Masloff calls for the modification of all cigarette vending machines to accept tokens rather than currency. The only exception, as was the case in the vetoed legislation, would be in establishments licensed by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, private clubs or work places not accessible to the general public.

"This new legislation will accomplish our goal of keeping cigarettes out of the hands of minors while hopefully avoiding the lengthy court battle, which has been threatened since the original legislation was proposed," Masloff said. Councilman Eugene Ricciardi cast the only no vote against the measure last week.

"I believe the bill would have hurt the small neighborhood grocery stores in the city of Pittsburgh," he said Friday, adding he does not think the council will override Masloff's veto.

Masloff said she is writing representatives of the vending and tobacco industries urging them to support the revised measure. "With their help, Pittburgh can lead the way to a solution without violating the competing rights of our citizens."

Cigarette vending machine sales were banned last year in Utah. And the city council of Takoma Park, Md., imposed a ban last month on cigarette vending machines in places accessible to children. The Houston, Texas, City Council recently passed an ordinance banning such machines from all city buildings but rejected a move to ban them from all public buildings.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - The United States and Soviet Union Friday jointly condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, while Japan and West Germany joined U.S. allies freezing Kuwaiti assets to protect them from Iraq and the Arab League huddled in search for a solution.

President Bush consulted with allied leaders on additional concerted action against Iraq after taking the lead in banning all U.S. trade with Iraq, including oil purchases.

''Some countries are eager to move rather quickly toward some action,'' a NATO source said.

The Soviet Union and France, Iraq's two main arms suppliers, have halted weapons shipments, and all 16 NATO countries agreed Friday at a special meeting of the Western alliance's political committee to do the same.

In an unprecedented joint statement, Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shavardnadze in Moscow demanded Iraq's immediate withdrawal from Kuwait and called on all countries to halt arms shipments to Iraq.

Japan said it would consider economic sanctions after discussions at the U.N. Security Council, which unanimously condemned Iraq on Thursday hours after it invaded its southern neighbor Kuwait and demanded its immediate withdrawal.

West Germany imposed a government authorization requirement on all exports to Iraq, civilian as well as military.

In addition to Japan and West Germany, other U.S. allies such as Italy and Belgium joined the United States, Britain and France in freezing Kuwaiti assets to protect them from Iraqi forces occupying Kuwait.

France said it will maintain two warships in the Persian Gulf and will act in concert with its allies in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

''There is a warship present (in the Gulf) that was to be replaced. We will leave it there and the replacement ship will join it,'' France's interim Prime Minister Pierre Beregovoy said in a French radio interview. Beregovoy is acting head of government while Prime Minister Michel Rocard is on vacation.

Arab nations were divided over the response to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, which followed a collapse in talks on Iraqi oil and territorial claims against its southern militarily inferior neighbor.

Egypt took a tough stance, calling on Iraq Friday to immediately withdraw its troops from Kuwait, where it said Baghdad should cease all attempts to alter the invaded nation's political system by force.

The statement by the Egyptian Foreign Ministry did not specify what action Cairo may consider if Iraq did not heed its warning, but appeared timed to coincide with the opening in Cairo of a meeting of foreign ministers from the 22-nation Arab League.

Along with Egypt, Algeria, Morocco and Lebanon condemned the invasion but Iraq has been openly supported by Libya, Jordan and Yemen, and privately backed by Sudan and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Delegates of the 22-nation Arab League tentatively agreed to hold an emergency summit in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, Saturday.

Israel, vowing to protect its security interests following the Iraqi takeover of Kuwait, warned Baghdad Friday it will view the movement of Iraqi forces toward Jordan as a direct threat to the Jewish state.

Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy told Army Radio that Israel had to be stronger following Thursday's invasion and must coordinate its activities closely with the United States and Western nations.

In the lengthy interview, Levy repeated the established Israeli position that Israel would not tolerate Iraqi troops in neighboring Jordan.

The United States told its NATO allies it is considering contingency plans and will ''not stand by'' if Iraq extends hostilties beyond the invasion of Kuwait, NATO sources said.

The 12-member European Community considered a commercial embargo against Iraq and the freezing of Iraqi assets, announced by the United States hours after the invasion.

The International Olympic Committee said it was ''deeply shocked'' at the death of Sheikh Fahad al-Ahmad al-Sabah, the president of Kuwait's National Olympic Committee. The youngest brother of Kuwait's ruler was reportedly shot Thursday when trying to prevent invading Iraqi troops from entering the royal palace.

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GENEVA (AUG. 3) UPI - Reported cases of AIDS rose by 7,327 or 2.75 percent in July to a total 273,425 as of Aug. 1, the World Health Organization said Friday.

WHO said the United States accounted for nearly half of the increase with 3,496 additional cases and a new total of 137,385 - 50.25 percent of the world total.

There are now 156 countries reporting one or more cases of acquired immune deficiency syndrome, WHO said.

Officials cautioned as always that the actual number of AIDS cases is at least two times and probably three times higher because of inadequate or late reporting by developing countries.

WHO this week also reported a surge in people and especially sub-Saharan Africans infected with the AIDS-causing HIV or Human Immunodeficiency Virus.

It said it now estimates there are eight to 10 million people infected with HIV instead of its previous estimate of six to eight million.

That is because the number of sub-Saharan Africans carrying HIV are put at five million instead of the previous 2.5 million, and around one in every 40 adult African men and women are now infected, WHO said.

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BURLINGTON, VT (AUG. 3) UPI - A man and woman wanted for a $1.5 million Louisiana art heist were in custody Friday because a suspicious art dealer alerted police.

FBI Special Agent John Markey said Michael R. Moskaluk, 43, and Ramona E. Arnold, 33, were held on charges of unlawful flight to avoid prosecution.

Markey said the pair face numerous charges in the theft of works from the Louisiana State Museum in New Orleans last month.

Agents said the pair left a trail of stolen artwork with dealers in a number of states.

Police were alerted to the couple's presence in Vermont when an art dealer in Stowe grew suspicious over their offer to sell him a rare Audubon print for a fraction of its value.

''They were living in an abandoned home that they had indicated an interest in purchasing,'' Markey said.

Markey said the pair offered no resistance when police moved in on them on Wednesday.

They appeared before Judge Franklin Billings in federal court in Rutland on Thursday and were held Friday at the Chittenden Community Correctional Center in South Burlington pending an extradition hearing, Markey said.

The artwork stolen in New Orleans also included Japanese woodcuts and prints by Spanish artist Francisco Goya.

Officials said all of the stolen artwork was located and will be recovered.

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#90215u1402 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

GALVESTON, TX (AUG. 3) UPI - Environmentalists Friday disputed claims that Galveston Bay escaped serious damage from a 500,000-gallon crude oil spill, saying evidence that the slick is spreading proves oil remains suspended in the water.

Coast Guard officials contended much of the oil had apparently evaporated, since large patches can no longer be spotted during flyovers of the bay and tests show it is not on the bottom. They rejected allegations that they could not account for 300,000 gallons of the oil that leaked from two damaged barges after a collision with a Greek tanker.

The Houston Ship Channel, which had been closed since the Saturday afternoon collision, was reopened to outbound ship traffic early Friday after a crippled barge was moved out of the way.

Twenty-seven ships had been stranded at Houston docks and 43 were anchored in lower Galveston Bay or the Gulf of Mexico.

The Coast Guard Friday said a shift in winds pushed some of the oil farther north, endangering additional sensitive breeding grounds for birds and saltwater fish.

Some coastal residents said reports of oil washing ashore at Point Houston on the northwest side of the bay proved the oil remains in the water, threatening at least 100 species of birds, 75 types of fish, shellfish, oysters and other marine life.

''As with most disasters, one has to look beneath the surface and, in that sense, our governor is critically lacking in those skills,'' said Ted Eubanks, a spokesman for the Houston Audubon Society.

Gov. Bill Clements, the founder of Dallas oil field equipment company Sedco Inc., reported Thursday that damage was less than expected. He had declared the bay a disaster area on Wednesday, but after a flyover Thursday said the spill could have been much worse.

''My impression, basically, is that we are blessed,'' Clements said. ''It could have been far worse because ... the evaporation has been very rapid.''

Eubanks believes much of the oil remains in the water.

''Oil can move underneath the surface, where it's not visible, and that's one of the difficulties. We have navigational specialists, engineers and government officials heading up the cleanup, where we need wildlife people that are sensititve to the ecological system heading it up. We got the wrong guy driving the train,'' Eubanks said.

He also criticized the Coast Guard for not testing the water between the surface and the bay bottom for oil.

Coast Guard Petty Mark Sedwick said 11 floor samples showed no evidence of oil, adding he was uncertain if officials planned to test the water column. Oil from the spill has stained Houston Point, Redfish Island, Eagle Point, the Texas City Dike and Pelican Island.

David Roberts of the Texas General Land Office agreed with Eubanks that, environmentally, the spill is far from over.

''It (spill) was so ugly a few days ago and so vast and so black. Now, if they see just a sheen, they think it's all past,'' Roberts said. ''But the problem is when it gets into areas like Houston Point. Then you're seeing the real effect of the oil spill.''

During a visit to East Beach Thursday, Eubanks said his hands became covered with oil when he ran his fingers through sand and shells.

''The long-term negative environmental effects on the lower end of the food chain, invertebrates and crustaceans, will have implications over the next several years. The web of life which includes the Galveston Bay will be damaged for a long period of time,'' said Gary Clark, president of the Houston Audubon Society.

Texas Water Commission Chairman B.J. ''Buck'' Wynne Friday awaited water sample tests results to determine the effectiveness of oil-eating microbes sprayed onto Pelican Island beaches late Thursday.

The process known as bioremediation was being used where conventional oil-collecting equipment could not. Crews sprayed the beach at Pelican Island Thursday and planned to spray areas at Houston Point Friday.

Clements vetoed aerial spraying of microbes over the entire spill, saying it had become too fragmented for bioremediation to work.

The owner of the two barges, Apex Towing Co. of St. Louis, Thursday handed over to the Coast Guard responsibility for the remaining cleanup. A Coast Guard official immediately sought $1 million for the job.

Coast Guard Capt. Tom Greene said federal funds would be used for the job, but the bill will be passed on to Apex's insurer for reimbursement.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 3) UPI - Media giant Times Mirror Co., capitalizing on the growth of Southern California's Hispanic community, Friday said it would purchase 50 percent of La Opinion, the nation's largest Spanish-language daily newspaper.

La Opinion and Times Mirror, publisher of the Los Angeles Times as well as other major newspapers, did not disclose the terms of the deal, but said both papers would continue to operate separately.

The Times is the nation's largest daily metropolitan paper, with a daily circulation of 1.22 million. La Opinion has a daily circulation of more than 100,000 and has posted circulation gains of 16 percent in 1988 and 17 percent last year.

Analyst James Goss of Duff & Phelps in Chicago said the move makes sense for Times Mirror because of the continued growth in the numbers of Hispanics now living in Southern California, estimated at four million. "There's a significant group of Hispanics to whom La Opinion has appealed," Goss said. "This is an assertive way for Times Mirror to reach them."

Goss said the acquisition is typical of continuing efforts by the Times to go after new readers in the competitive Southern California market. He cited the newspaper's aggressive campaign to attract readers of the defunct Los Angeles Herald Examiner, which was shut down by the Hearst Corp. last November, and expanded operations in Ventura County, northwest of Los Angeles.

The Times began publishing a bilingual supplement, Nuestro Tiempo, in February with a current distribution schedule of 15 times a year. Nuestro Tiempo is distributed in areas with large Hispanic populations and has a circulation of about 441,000. Times Mirror spokeswoman Suzanne Hovdey said the Times will continue to publish Nuestro Tiempo.

La Opinion was founded in 1926 by the grandfather of current publisher Jose Lozano and has remained controlled by the Lozano family since then. Under the agreement with Times Mirror, editorial policy will remain under Lozano's control and the Lozano family will continue having a majority representation on the board of directors.

"La Opinion remains fully committed to the Spanish-language format which has made our newspaper so successful," Lozano said. "We enter this partnership with the intent of strengthening our newspaper, expanding its coverage and making it even more relevant to the lives of our readers."

Robert F. Erburu, chairman and chief executive officer of Times Mirror, said, "This is an opportunity for our company to make an important investment in a newspaper with a tremendous future, serving a vital community that is increasing in size and significance in Southern California."

Times Mirror has posted earnings declines this year largely as a result of advertising declines at its Eastern newspapers. For the first six months, it earned $93 million, or 72 cents a share, off from $153.8 million, or $1.19 a share, for the year-ago period. Revenues were $1.78 billion, up from $1.7 billion.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - U-S Secretary of State Baker is in Moscow where he arrived today for urgent talks with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze on Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. The United States and Soviet Union are joining together to condemn yesterday's attack that's responsible for about 500 casualties. Baker and Shevardnadze are expected to issue a landmark joint statement denouncing what Baker termed the ''outlaw action.''

The Arab world remains divided over its response to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Jordan's King Hussein traveled to Baghdad, where he and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein agreed on an emergency meeting of Arab leaders in the next few days. The Jordanian leader says the Iraqi invasion is an Arab problem and foreign countries should NOT intervene in the oil and land dispute.

Israel is looking at the bigger possible picture in the wake of Iraq's takeover of Kuwait. Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy warned Baghdad today that it would view Iraqi troop movements toward Jordan as a direct threat to the Jewish state. In an interview today with Israel's Army Radio Levy said Israel will NOT tolerate Iraqi soldiers in neighboring Jordan.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami says Tropical Storm Cesar chugged along today over the open waters of the Atlantic Ocean. The storm was centered about one-thousand miles west of the westernmost Cape Verde Island, and was moving at about 50 miles an hour. Forecasters said the storm is days away from any land... but has the potential of strengthening during the weekend.

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#90215u1427 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 3) UPI - The Senate is trying to finish work on a 287-BILLION-dollar defense budget so lawmakers can take a summer vacation. Senators today rejected a proposal to cut U-S troop levels in Europe even further in debate that is expected to drag into tomorrow afternoon. There also is a dispute simmering about a proposal to boost the size of the National Guard as active duty forces are reduced.

California Democrat Fortney Stark admits he ''blew it'' in bringing up race while criticizing the policies of Health Secretary Sullivan. But Stark told the House today that he's standing by his view that Sullivan is carrying out White House policies that are hurting minorities and the poor. Start was booed by his colleagues for calling Sullivan- who is black- ''a disgrace'' to his race.

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(adding day of week to carlots)
CHICAGO (AUG. 3) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.
Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	77.30	78.10	77.05	77.17	77.57
Oct	77.35	78.40	77.22	77.45	77.80
Dec	76.50	77.47	76.20	76.32	76.85
Feb	76.40	77.20	76.10	76.32	76.60
Apr	76.70	77.50	76.60	76.75	77.00
Jun	74.52	75.00	74.30	74.50	74.70
Aug	73.25	73.60	73.25	73.27	73.30

Est. sales 17,013 contracts; Thursday 18,735; open interest 71,021 off 87.
Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	88.60	89.20	88.25	88.47	88.85
Sep	87.05	87.85	86.92	87.00	87.37
Oct	83.20	86.90	85.97	86.05	86.45
Nov	86.15	87.05	86.00	86.15	86.60
Jan	85.80	86.45	85.65	86.00	86.30
Mar	84.70	84.75	84.55	84.55	84.70
Apr	84.02	84.25	84.02	84.10	84.20
May	82.90	83.10	82.90	83.00	83.20

Est. sales 1,337 contracts; Thursday 1,945; open interest 11,230 up 176.
Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	57.90	58.80	57.65	57.90	58.55
Oct	51.40	52.70	51.10	51.60	52.27
Dec	51.40	52.47	51.15	51.62	51.90

Feb 49.50 50.40 49.20 49.92 49.72
Apr 45.65 46.40 45.50 46.02 45.75
Jun 49.95 50.35 49.95 50.30 49.95
Jly 49.95 50.30 49.95 50.30 50.10
Aug 48.60 48.80 48.60 48.80 48.60 Est. sales 10,312 contracts; Thursday 10,038; open interest 32,236 off 889.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Aug 47.22 49.22 46.65 48.55 47.22
Feb 53.50 55.72 53.45 55.45 53.72
Mar 53.15 55.55 53.15 55.30 53.55
May 53.60 55.60 53.60 55.30 53.60
Jly 55.10 55.10 54.40 54.40 53.30 Est. sales 5,218 contracts; Thursday 2,243; open interest 7,314 off 31.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut- out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 121.07 down 10 cents, 700-850 lbs. 121.22 down 6 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 114.36 down 18 cents, 700-850 lbs. 114.27 down 18 cents.

Pork carlot trading very slow; demand light; fresh pork loins not fully established but had a lower undertone; skinned hams not tested; seedless bellies steady in a thin test; loins 14-18 lbs. 123.00-125.00, 18-22 lbs.123.00-125.00; bellies 16-18 lbs. 59.00.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 1 point higher to 49 points lower. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	9.97	10.09	9.78	9.90	10.39
Mar	10.00	10.01	9.73	9.89	10.23
May	10.00	10.03	9.80	9.97	10.19
Jly	10.00	10.03	9.88	10.03	10.03
Oct	10.07	10.08	9.87	10.08	10.07

Estimated sales: 31,376 contracts
Open interest: 121,217 up 897
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.89

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday 1 point higher to 1 point lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Sep	23.15	23.15	23.05	23.10	23.10
Nov	23.11	23.13	23.11	23.12	23.11
Jan	22.94	22.95	22.92	22.95	22.95
Mar	22.93	22.95	22.93	22.94	22.94
May	22.95	22.95	22.93	22.94	22.95
Jly	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.95
Sep	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.94
Nov	23.00	....	....	22.80	22.80

Estimated sales: 524 contracts
Open interest: 9,892 up 226

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UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 3) UPI - The United States urged the U.N. Security Council Friday to punish Iraq with broad sanctions as that country showed no sign of pulling its invading troops out of Kuwait.

The U.S. initiative, which U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering said was a call for ''all-encompassing sanctions,'' prompted the council's 15 members to go into several rounds of consultations expected to continue through the weekend.

Pickering told reporters that he briefed the council's members and urged them to quickly adopt sanctions ranging from a trade embargo to a freeze on exports of military products to Iraq.

''More than 24 hours have already passed (since the invasion),'' Pickering said, pointing out that the council is ''deeply disturbed'' that Iraq has ignored the U.N. pullout call.

''We are beginning consultations for broad sanctions,'' he said.

He said U.N. sanctions will complement action taken by President Bush Thursday to freeze Iraqi assets in the United States and ban nearly all imports from Iraq.

Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said he met Friday morning with Iraqi U.N. Ambassador Abdul Amir Al-Anbari and ''appealed for the full implementation'' of the Security Council resolution, which demanded ''immediate and unconditional'' withdrawal of Iraqi forces that invaded Kuwait in a pre-dawn attacks Thursday.

Perez de Cuellar, who has been mediating peace talks between Iran and Iraq was trying also to save the negotiations from breaking up after the Iraqi invasion.

Iran and Iraq ended their 8-year war with a U.N.-negotiated cease-fire Aug. 15, 1988. However, peace talks for a comprehensive settlement stalled because of long-standing differences.

Perez de Cuellar also met with representatives from the United States, the Soviet Union, China, France and Britain Friday to discuss the Iraqi invasion.

''We are interested in putting teeth in the present resolution,'' the ambassador told reporters as he entered the Security Council chambers to brief the body's 15 members on the U.S. policy toward Iraq.

''If the Iraqis are not responsive to the move of the Security Council, we want to move rapidly with sanctions,'' he said.

''We are interested in all encompassing sanctions, military, financial, anything you can think of, we would like to do it.''

The Security Council is the highest political body in the United Nations, charged with maintaining peace and security around the world. Its decisions are binding.

U.N. diplomats said Pickering was in Washington Thursday afternoon to discuss with White House officials imposing strong measures to force Iraq to abide by the Security Council resolution, which demanded that Iraqi troops be pulled out of Kuwait ''immediately and unconditionally.''

The council voted 14-0 to adopt the resolution, which called also on Kuwait and Iraq to hold ''intence negotiations'' to resolve their dispute on oil production and borders.

The 15th member of the council, Yemen, did not participate in the vote.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ordered his forces, backed by tanks and artillery, into Kuwait before dawn Thursday, one day after talks between the two nations to iron out their differences failed.

Iraq's U.N. Ambassador Abdul Amir Al-Anbari, who met with Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar Friday morning, declined to comment on the meeting.

''It was a total occupation of Kuwaiti territory,'' said Kuwait's U.N. permanent representative, Mohammad Abulhassan. ''The world community should exert pressure on Iraq to halt its invasion and withdraw'' according terms of the resolution.

Abulhassan said the next step should be to apply sanctions against Iraq,

but he proposed to give that country ''ample time'' to meet the Security Council's demands before other measures should be imposed.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Sharply lower in active trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Sharply lower in active trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in fairly active trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed sharply lower in light trading.

Dollar - Slightly higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Slightly higher.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1 1/4 to 3 1/4, soybeans up 2 to 6 1/4, wheat off 1 1/2 to 4 1/2 and oats down 4 3/4 to 7.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Gold futures closed 20 to 60 points higher Friday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	375.20	382.30	373.00	377.40	376.80
Sep	382.00	382.00	379.60	379.60	379.10
Oct	378.00	386.00	377.50	381.60	381.20
Dec	382.50	390.80	382.00	386.40	385.90
Feb	390.50	395.00	389.50	390.80	390.30
Apr	390.50	397.00	390.50	394.80	394.40
Jun	398.70	....	....	399.00	398.70

Aug	399.30	....	....	403.00	402.80
Oct	403.00	....	....	407.60	407.40
Dec	413.00	....	....	412.20	412.00
Feb	414.50	....	....	417.00	416.80
Apr	417.50	....	....	421.70	421.40

Open interest: 103,165 up 3,197.

Estimated sales: 7,000 contracts.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 3) UPI - A New York branch of a Yugoslav bank Friday was fined $50,000 for its part in an international money laundering operation that turned out to be a federal sting.

U.S. District Judge Jan DuBois imposed the fine on LBS Bank of New York Inc. The bank was convicted last September of filing inaccurate currency transaction reports in connection with the operation. The principals in the scheme, Hubert Francis Cole, 45, and Vjekoslav Spanjol, 43, both of Dallas, were sentenced Thursday in the case.

Cole, a self-described tax protestor, was sentenced to five years in prison despite his testimony for the prosecution. Cole had pleaded guilty to conspiracy and money laundering and spent more than a month on the stand during the trial.

Spanjol, a businessman, was sentenced to six years and five months in prison. He was convicted of conspiracy, seven money-laundering-related counts, and smuggling two restricted underwater breathing devices into West Germany.

The bank was convicted of falsifying on reporting forms information including the identities of Cole and an undercover Internal Revenue Service agent who deposited $135,000 and immediately withdrew cashiers checks.

"The important false information was they did not identify the people who were conducting the transaction," said Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul Sarnousakis.

"The bank officers let Cole, in violation of the bank's compliance program prepare the CTRs (currency transaction reports)," Sarnousakis said. "They knew that the names given were not Cole or the undercover agent."

The conviction is the first of its kind against a bank in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Sarnousakis said. Prosecutors had asked for the maximum fine in the case, $500,000.

Cole and Spanjol were arrested in December 1988 at Philadelphia International Airport after a meeting with undercover customs agents they believed to be criminals.

"It was represented by the undercover agents that they were organized crime types, underworld characters, and some of the money (to be laundered) were from profits made by the export of prohibited items on the munitions and warfare lists," said Sarnousakis.

Also charged in the case were Bahurdin Bijedic, former Yugoslav counsel general in Chicago, and Vinko Mir, a former Yugoslav trade official. They were acquitted.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	378.75	up 5.50
Morning fixing	375.80	off 2.95
Afternoon fixing	379.00	up 0.25
Close	378.125	off 0.625
Paris	378.84	off 6.58
Zurich	379.00	off 1.50
Hong Kong	375.75	off 4.00
New York		
Comex spot close	377.40	up 0.60
Republic cash	377.75	up 0.25
Handy and Harman	379.00	off 1.70

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 380.29 off 1.71 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 399.30 off 1.80 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.842	up 0.007
Republic cash	4.855	off 0.005

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.845 per fine ounce off 0.01

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.865 off 0.02 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.206 off 0.021

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 486.00 off 8.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 586.00 off 8.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 114.00 off 3.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 129.00 off 3.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - Saying there has been evidence of profiteering, Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., called Friday for a presidential task force to monitor whether U.S. oil companies are using the invasion of Kuwait as an excuse to raise gas prices.

''On Thursday, Iraq invaded Kuwait. Today, less than 24 hours later, there are troubling signs that the oil industry may be invading the pockets of consumers,'' Lieberman said.

''The American people have enough trouble with Saddam Hussein. We don't need oil companies making matters worse.''

Lieberman said he has received ''widespread'' reports of price increases in his home state since the invasion, and added that there have been reports of Midwest gas stations hiking prices between 5 cents and 22 cents a gallon.

Lieberman said there is ''no reason'' at present for higher prices for gasoline and heating oil because of a glut on world oil markets.

He sent a letter to President Bush asking him to set up a task force on oil prices with representatives from the Energy and Justice departments, the Federal Trade Commission and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

Lieberman said the group's purpose would be to ''shine a bright spotlight on the oil industry, to let importers and refiners know we're watching,'' and thereby enable Congress to respond to any potential problems.

Lieberman said he also was writing to the American Petroleum Institute asking it to ''pass on to its members this request: don't use Saddam Hussein's madness as a cover to raise prices on consumers. Do you patriotic duty.''

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MONTREAL (AUG. 3) UPI - Mohawk Indians and Canadian government officials are close to an agreement that would permit talks aimed at ending two lengthy armed standoffs between Mohawks and Quebec police, a federal government representative said Friday.

''(The talks are) moving along nicely,'' said Helen Fisher, a federal Indian Affairs representative, who said the agreement to open negotiations may be announced soon.

Mohawk representatives and the federal and Quebec governments had each set conditions before starting further talks to bring down barricades at the Kanesatake and Kahnawake Indian reserves near the U.S.-Canadian border.

''I believe they're very close to signing an agreement (on the three preconditions),'' said Susan Oak, a member of the Kanesatake Mohawk radio station. ''It's a matter of words.''

The conditions demanded by Mohawks include installing members of international groups such the International Federation of Human Rights or the United Nations as independent observers and free movement of food, supplies and Indian advisers across the barricades. The Mohawks want the agreement in writing.

A policeman was killed July 11 in an abortive police raid on a roadblock erected four months ago by Kanesatake Mohawks on a golf course expansion site on Oka land they claim is theirs.

Meanwhile, the federal government has restarted negotiations with Oka's municipal council to buy for $3.3 million the 67 acre golf course expansion site from Oka.

The Canadian government hopes to use 67 acres of land in Oka, which includes 14 homes and forest, along with another 30 acres purchased from a developer last week, as a bargaining chip with Mohawks to end the three-week standoffs.

Many of the Mohawk Warriors guarding the barricade at Kanesatake and the bridge barricade are members of the Warriors Society from the troubled St. Regis Indian reserve that straddles the U.S.-Canada border near Massena, N.Y.

The St. Regis Mohawk Warriors sided with pro-gambling forces and against traditional chiefs when pro and anti-gambling factions clashed in May, leaving two dead. Canadian government officials have accused the Warriors of being criminals who are holding the reserves hostage.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - Gasoline prices were up as much as 14 cents a gallon Friday - prompting cries of price-gouging from certain quarters - as station operators passed on to motorists sharp hikes in wholesale costs following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Nationwide, self-serve unleaded gasoline was averaging $1.115 a gallon - a rise of four cents in two days, according to a spot check of 1,400 gas stations conducted by the American Automobile Association. Retail price increases ranged from four cents to 14 cents a gallon and further hikes were expected this weekend, AAA said.

Alarmed by reports of sudden hikes in gasoline prices, Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox established a special task force to investigate and prosecute price-gouging in his state.

"I began receiving calls (Thursday) night at my home from people who are angry and suspicious about sudden hikes in gasoline prices," Mattox said. "In one day's time, there is no way that Iraq's invasion should translate into higher prices at the pump." Citizen Action, a Washington consumer group, said gas prices would rise a total of 15 cents to 20 cents a gallon over the next few weeks.

The United States gets less than five percent of its crude oil from Iraq and Kuwait - and currently has a three-to-four month oil reserve - but spot oil prices have skyrocketed as world markets fear a crisis in the Middle East may threaten supplies. Gas stations typically pass on the entire amount of wholesale gas price increases to consumers.

Higher prices sparked numerous outcries from industry and consumer groups who claim oil companies should not charge higher prices for gasoline that is already in tanks, ready to be pumped.

The head of the Illinois Gas Dealers Association, Robert Jacobson, said it should take at least ten days for any wholesale price increase to be felt at the pump. Major U.S. oil companies have "aided and abetted" OPEC in raising the price of a barrel of oil in their own "self-interest," he said.

Norm Sather, president of the Washington Oil Marketer's Association, said hiking prices immediately isn't based on reality since there is so much gas in storage. "I think prices are increasing because oil companies see an opportunity to make additional profits."

Don Herring, a spokesman for Pittsburgh-based Marathon Oil Co., which raised its wholesale prices eight cents a gallon Friday, said market conditions dictate the company's prices. "Prices go up and prices go down and it isn't always related to the cost of material you bought last month " he said.

Motor club AAA urged the public to "not succumb to panic buying in an effort to avoid perceived future price hikes."

In California, where prices at the pump rose five cents a gallon earlier this week when a voter-approved hike in the gasoline tax went into effect, the latest wave of increases was especially hard felt.

In Florida, some gas stations were raising prices even though their suppliers had not yet begun charging them more, a spokesman for AAA charged. "They're collecting an increase that they haven't yet suffered. ... I'm sure some people might call it gouging," said William Dodd.

But in Pontiac, Ill., two radio stations celebrated their 25th anniversary by selling gas for 65 cents a gallon - or at 1965 prices - in an event planned a month ago. "If we had had time, we could have had Arab outfits made up," said WPOK-WJEZ General Manager Kevin Anfield.

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BEIJING (AUG. 3) UPI - China Friday accused Taiwan of ''murdering'' 25 mainland Chinese who suffocated on a sealed fishing boat that Beijing said was towed to sea and set adrift by Taiwan authorities.

The official Xinhua news service said fishermen from the mainland coastal province of Fujian discovered a boarded-up fishing boat on July 22 that contained 25 corpses and one gravely ill passenger, who survived to tell a gruesome account of what China called an act of ''inhumane repatriation.''

The survivor, identified as Lin Licheng, reportedly told authorities the group of 26 castaways entered Taiwan illegally aboard a fishing boat in mid-July on a ''business trip,'' Xinhua said.

China is technically at war with Taiwan, where the defeated Chinese Nationalist government fled following its defeat by the Communists in 1949.

On July 21, Taiwan authorities ''seized'' the illegal immigrants in the northeast coastal town of Ilan, blindfolded them and forced them into two small cabins on board their fishing boat, Lin reportedly said.

The cabins, measuring a mere 32 square feet, were ''sealed by long nails and covered with timber and other heavy materials,'' Xinhua said. Taiwan gunboats then towed the fishing boat to waters near the mainland and set it adrift, the report said.

By the time the boat was discovered the next day near the village of Guangyu on Pingtan island, approximately 77 miles from the Taiwan coast,

all but one of the 26 passengers aboard had died from lack of oxygen.

''The mainlanders were suffocated and Lin had a narrow escape by finding a small hole in the wall of the cabin,'' Xinhua said.

Over the years, mainland Chinese have occasionally defected to Taiwan by air and by sea. The Taiwanese government has generally welcomed the defectors as a propaganda gesture to embarrass the neighboring communist regime.

The most recent case of forced repatriation was carried out by the Chinese side and involved double defector Hou Dejian, a Taiwanese pop singer who defected to the mainland in 1983.

Chinese authorities shipped Hou back to his native Taiwan by fishing boat in July following the singer's calls for the release of political prisoners and a more tolerant government.

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#90215u1554 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (AUG. 3) UPI - China's bid to establish diplomatic ties with Singapore accelerated Friday with word that Premier Li Peng would hold an ''in-depth exchange'' with the city-state's prime minister, Lee Kuan Yew, during a visit next week.

China announced Wednesday that Li would spend three days in Singapore Aug. 11-13 following a five-day visit to Indonesia, where he and President Suharto formally will restore diplomatic ties after 25 years of enmity.

But China's Foreign Ministry added weight to the Singapore leg of the trip in Friday's announcement, saying Li would spend not three but eight days in the Southeast Asian nation and would hold a summit with its longtime leader.

The statement, reported by the official Xinhua news agency and quoting Assistant Foreign Minister Xue Dunxin, seemed to assure that the Chinese and Singaporean leaders would act to establish diplomatic ties.

''Xue said he believes the Chinese premier's visit to Singapore will deepen mutual understanding, increase common points of view and promote the development of the two countries relations,'' Xinhua said.

''Li will take the opportunity to visit old friends and get acquainted with the new generation of Singapore's leaders,'' Xue said.

Singapore has said for more than a year that it desired full diplomatic relations with China, but said it would await the results of negotiations

between Beijing and Jakarta. Indonesia severed ties with China in 1967 following an abortive communist coup attempt that Jakarta alleged was backed by Beijing.

China and Indonesia last month removed the remaining obstacles to restoring bilateral ties and announced that Li would visit Jakarta Aug. 6, prompting renewed rounds of negotiations between Beijing and Singapore.

China's Foreign Ministry confirmed the talks Wednesday, saying the two sides ''have started their negotiations on establishing diplomatic relations.''

A key issue for Singapore is its cherished economic and cultural ties with capitalist powerhouse Taiwan, the Nationalist Chinese enclave that has been ''at war'' with the Chinese Communists for 45 years.

A model could be found in the formula accepted last week by China and Saudi Arabia, a key Taiwan ally, under which Riyadh's ties with Taipei will remain virtually unchanged save for the lack of an ambassador.

Indonesia agreed to a similar arrangement with China.

China and Singapore have enjoyed growing trade and cultural relations despite their lack of formal diplomatic ties. Singapore is China's fifth largest export market and bilateral trade in 1989 was $3.2 billion - more than five times the figure in 1980.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $32 to $36 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.90 cent to 1.75 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 2.40 to 3.40 cents a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.23 to 1.11 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.20 to $0.60 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $2.40 to $2.50 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 2.80 cents to 3.50 cents a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 0.5 to 0.7 cent an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.001 cent higher to 0.049 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90215u1563 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - There are fears that Iraqi forces may do to Saudi Arabia what they did to Kuwait yesterday. U-S sources say the Iraqis are consolidating their position in Kuwait and are heading toward the Saudi border. One Western diplomat says the Saudis have NOT even put their troops on full alert because they don't want to run the risk of antagonizing Baghdad.

Secretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze today joined a global chorus of protest by issuing an unprecedented joint statement demanding Iraq immediately withdraw from Kuwait. They also called on all nations to stop arms shipments to Baghdad.

In Brussels, the United States told its NATO allies today that it will NOT simply stand by if Iraq extends hostilities beyond Kuwait. Sources say all delegates from all 16 NATO countries agreed to cut off arms shipments and many of the countries have already frozen Iraqi or Kuwaiti assets that Iraq might use.

The Senate today rejected a proposal to increase the number of U-S troops cut in Europe now that Cold War tensions have eased. Senators voted 59-40 against the proposal offered by North Dakota Democrat Kent Conrad. Lawmakers are still working on the 287-BILLION-dollar defense budget that's being delayed by debate on several other issues.

There's more evidence the economy is slowing down. The Labor Department reports today that the nation's civilian unemployment rate jumped to five-point-five percent in July... the worst showing in two years. Economists agree that the jobless increase is in line with other data and suggests that a recession looms ahead.

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#90215u1580 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1127.4
Thursday	1134.6
Week ago	1141.1

Month ago	1167.0
Year ago	1118.6
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90215u1591 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - Edward J. DeBartolo Corp.'s move to end its real estate partnership with Campeau Corp. may affect Campeau's efforts to sell shopping malls in New Jersey, Massachusetts and Washington state, a Campeau spokesman said Friday.

Representatives from the two companies were discussing DeBartolo's approval rights for such sales, an issue that has been complicated by DeBartolo's desire to break a current agreement, Campeau spokesman Patrick Howe said.

Campeau disclosed in a Securities and Exchange Commission filing this week that DeBartolo, a Youngstown, Ohio, real estate developer, had sent Campeau a letter dated June 21 that "purportedly ends (their) partnership arrangements."

Campeau is currently trying to sell its 50 percent stake in properties developed by the two companies, presumably to reduce its heavy debt load. At the same time, Robert Campeau, the company's embattled chairman and chief executive officer, is seeking new equity investments to shore up his company, according to the SEC document.

Campeau is the Toronto-based parent of the U.S. retail chains Allied Stores Corp. and Federated Department Stores Inc., both of which filed Chapter 11 federal bankruptcy petitions earlier this year.

Allied controls several department store chains, including Jordan Marsh, Maas Inc. and Stern's, while Federated holdings include the Bloomingdale's and Burdines chains. All of Campeau's U.S. operations are grouped under Campeau's Federated Stores Inc. unit.

The DeBartolo/Campeau partnership owns 15 percent of the capital stock of Federated Holdings Inc., parent of Federated Department Stores and part owner of Allied Stores Corp.

In addition, the two partners each have a 50 percent interest in certain shopping malls, including: Northshore Mall in Peabody, Mass.; Bergen Mall in Paramus, N.J.; and, in Washington state, Tacoma Mall in Tacoma, Northgate Mall in Seattle and Columbia Shopping Center in Kennewick.

The five malls, which were acquired from Allied by Campeau in a 1986 merger, have a total combined area of 4.87 million square feet and house

approximately 605 retail stores and services.

The Campeau/DeBartolo partnership was set up to handle future acquisitions and the development of shopping centers and malls, although Campeau has no new projects planned.

Each company under the partnership was to make certain real estate decisions, such as strategic planning for new store locations, loans taken to develop new projects and the administration and management of the U.S. real estate holdings.

The two companies have an agreement that said real estate connected to Allied and Federated could only be sold by mutual consent, but it was not clear whether these conditions pertained to the partnership's primary real estate holdings.

A factor in the partnership's breakup may be Campeau's repeated payment defaults on $480 million owed to DeBartolo, which has already given Campeau at least four extensions when payments were due.

DeBartolo has notified Campeau that its defaults have caused the acceleration of payments due but has agreed not to exercise remedies against secured assets it holds until this Monday.

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#90215u1598 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days	7.76
60 to 89 days	7.68
90 to 119 days	7.62
120 to 149 days	7.55
150 to 179 days	7.52
180 to 270 days	7.46

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.90 - 7.65

Issuers 30 days 7.78

Issuers 90 days 7.52

Issuers 270 days 7.38

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.00

60 to 89 days 8.00

90 to 119 days 8.00

120 to 149 days 8.00

150 to 179 days 8.00

180 days 8.00

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.00 - 8.125

1 month 7.875 - 8.00

3 month 7.875 - 8.00

6 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

Year 7.875 - 8.00

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.32 - 7.30

6 months 7.23 - 7.21

Year 7.08 - 7.06

Federal Funds: High 8 1-16, Low 8, Close 8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.753 off 0.063.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90215u1602 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 3) UPI - Hundreds of troops from neigboring Caribbean islands are on their way to Port-of-Spain to help Trinidad authorities beef up security in the wake of the arrest of a small army of Moslem rebels. A government spokesman says the imprisoned guerrillas who held Trinidad's prime minister hostage for six days in a coup attempt will be tried for treason, murder and kidnapping.

An agreement today between leaders of the two Germanys to speed up the unification of the countries must still be approved by their parliaments. The decision to quicken the pace of unification is seen as a bid to prevent the total collapse of East Germany's troubled economy. All-German elections will take place on October 14th.

A key Panama Canal official says the Panamanian government must get preparations for the 1999 takeover of the waterway in gear. He says the canal's operation could become seriously compromised if the seven-month-old government of President Guillermo Endara continues to delay planning for the takeover.

A fifth member of a cult accused in the April 1989 slaying of an Ohio family of five pleaded guilty today to conspiracy charges stemming from the shootings. Susan Luff struck a deal with prosecutors who will drop 10 of the charges against her in exchange for her testimony against the other defendants.

A white farmer in northern Michigan wants to donate 40 acres of his land to establish a settlement of black families in the area. The land is located in Antrim County... a rural area in northwest lower Michigan where there aren't many blacks. A 1980 Census counted only 15 blacks among Antrim County's 16-thousand 194 residents.

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#90215u1624 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - The Rev. Bruce Ritter, founder of Covenant House, spent the last 20 years engaged in sexual misconduct with young men living at the nationally renowned charity's shelters for runaway youths, it was charged Friday.

A report, the result of a four-month investigation ordered by Covenant House's board of directors, concluded that had Ritter not resigned last February, the board would have been required to fire him.

The probe also found that Ritter should have informed the board about a $300,000 trust the priest established with the charity's monies as well as loans he made to two senior staff members.

An earlier investigation into Covenant House finances conducted by the Manhattan district attorney last February cleared Ritter of any wrongdoing but a separate state inquiry into the trust and loans is still underway.

A lawyer for Ritter, who has consistently denied allegations of sexual misconduct, issued a statement condemning the board for releasing the report, asserting that the disgraced priest had already paid his debt to society.

''In light of Father Ritter's resignation in February, revisiting these allegations now is wholly unnecssary, either for Covenant House or for the public,'' the lawyer, Stanley Arkin, wrote in the statement.

Some 150 Covenant House staffers, former employees and ex-residents were questioned about the allegations against Ritter during the investigation headed by former New York City police chief Robert McGuire.

Five former residents told the investigators they had engaged in sexual activity with Ritter. A sixth claimed the priest made advances to him that the young man rebuffed.

Similar claims by at least four other former residents could not be confirmed because one of the men had reportedly died, while the three others could not be tracked down by the investigators.

The report concluded that while none of the allegations could be proved ''beyond any question,'' Ritter had ''exercised unacceptably poor judgment in his relations with certain residents'' over a period of time from 1970 to 1989.

''It is our opinion that if Father Ritter had not resigned, the termination of the relationship between him and Covenant House would have been required,'' the report said.

Ritter, who was believed to be living in New Jersey, refused to cooperate

with the investigation. The 63-year-old priest was said to be considering leaving the Franciscan order.

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#90215u1640 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

BONN (AUG. 3) UPI - East and West German leaders hope their decision to bring forward German unification and elections will forestall a major economic disaster in East Germany and stop growing discontent in West Germany over the costs of unity, analysts said Friday.

Announcing the decision Friday, East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere and West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl admitted their decision to hold elections on Oct. 14, and unification before that, was partly prompted by the grim conditions in East Germany.

Soaring unemployment, dwindling productivity and collapsing industrial sectors have plagued the East German economy ever since the strong West German mark replaced the virtually worthless East mark July 1.

Government officials and analysts said foreign investors remained suspicious of what is largely viewed as a weak East German government torn by frequent divisions and whose ministers largely lack political experience.

Some West Germans directly blame the East German ministers.

Privately, officials in Bonn admit they were worried by a series of articles this week in the mass-circulation Bild daily, which claimed the ministers were wasting West German taxpayers' money.

''East Germany: The people in despair - the ministers on vacation'' the paper flashed on a front page.

Even the staid conservative Frankfurter Allgemeine criticized the East German government's economic policies, saying that ''Prosperity can only grow and social misery can only dwindle where there is successful management.''

Although there are no official estimates of the overall costs, the West German government has already provided billions of marks to help rebuild the East German economy.

Several government officials in Bonn have privately argued that only swift unification and elections could slow down the erosion of the East German economy by putting it under the control of a strong government with a full electoral mandate.

Analysts in Bonn said these arguments prompted Kohl and de Maiziere to announce their decision - which still needs parliamentary backing.

A new, united German government will face a formidable task in trying to come to grips with the East German economy.

Obsolete equipment, decaying infrastructure and old-fashioned management teams, trained under the former Stalinist leadership have contributed to the economic problems.

Formerly state-owned companies had to lay-off tens of thousands of workers to save money. Every week about 30,000 East Germans, out of a total population of 16 million, lose their jobs.

Massive strikes slowed down output in almost every sector of the economy in recent weeks. Workers complain that their wages have not been adjusted to higher prices that followed the introduction of the West German mark.

In the agricultural sector, farmers have dumped record harvests, because East German stores, flooded with imports would not buy their produce.

Some of the much-praised small-scale joint ventures between West German companies and East German entrepreneurs collapsed after their East German clients began to claim insolvency.

Equipped with brand-new machines from the West, financially backed by a West German partner and heavily indebted, many of the small new firms will face bankruptcy if they don't find a booming market.

Konrad Weiss, spokesman for the small East German Democracy Now party dubbed the decision for early elections ''a bankruptcy declaration by the East German government.''

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#90215u1666 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 3) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.75 1/2-2.84 1/2 off 2 1/2.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.83 1/2-5.87 1/2 up 2 1/2-3 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.46 1/2-2.54 1/2 off 3 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.63 1/2-2.64 1/2 off 3

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#90215u1679 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	60 1-4	off	1 1-8
AT&T	35 3-4	off	1 1-4
BCE	33 1-4	up	3-8
Bell Atl	48 1-4	off	3-4
BellSouth	54 3-4	up	1-4
Exxon	53 1-4	unch	
Ford Motor	39 1-2	off	3-8
Gen Elect	69 3-8	off	1 1-4
Gen Motor	43 1-8	off	3-4
GTE	28 1-2	off	3-8
IBM	107 5-8	off	2 1-8
Mobil	66 7-8	off	3-8
Nynex	74 3-4	off	1-2
Pac Gas El	22 1-2	off	3-8
Pac Teles	42	off	1-4
Phila El	15 7-8	off	3-8
Sears	32 1-2	off	3-8
South Co	24 7-8	off	1-2
Sowst Bell	53 1-2	off	1-2
US West	37 1-8	unch	

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#90215u1691 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.43	off 0.38
10 Public Utils	92.71	off 0.57
10 Industrials	90.16	off 0.18

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#90215u1696 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - American apparel manufacturers were handed Friday their second major defeat in two weeks in their struggle to keep cheaper Asian sweaters out of the U.S. marketplace.

The Commerce Department's International Trade Administration made a final determination that South Korea sells man-made fiber sweaters in the U.S.

marketplace with an average dumping margin so low - 1.3 percent - as to render countervailing duties unlikely or meaningless.

There is dumping, and a product is sold at less than fair market value, if a product's country of origin price - or its price on a third nation market used as a benchmark - is higher than its price on the U.S. market.

"The ITA data prove that Koreans have not engaged in dumping practices," claimed Donald Zarin, a lawyer with the Washington firm Reid & Priest, which represents the South Korean Knitwear and Garment Exporters Association. "Any rate below four percent does not indicate dumping."

The New York-based National Knitwear and Sportswear Association, which last year complained to the ITA that man-made fiber sweaters from South Korea, Hong Kong, and Taiwan were dumped on the U.S. marketplace, voiced its hope that the Commerce Department "will find reason to impose higher margins during subsequent annual reviews." Last year imports of man-made fiber sweaters from South Korea reached $476.1 million.

On July 20, the ITA triggered an outcry from the NKSA by ruling that imports of man-made fiber sweaters from Hong Kong, which reached $208.8 million in 1989, were sold at only 5.86 percent below their fair market value.

At the time, representatives of Hong Kong textiles manufacturers predicted that the International Trade Commission, an autonomous agency, would not find that the Hong Kong sweater imports injure U.S. industries.

Zarin said the low dumping margin calculated for South Korean sweaters should "facilitate" a similar decision by the ITC. The commission now has 45 days to determine if the Korean sweater imports injure U.S. industries.

If the ITC determination is affirmative in either case, the Commerce Department will order Customs to collect anti-dumping duties. Meanwhile, the ITA asked Customs to require a cash deposit or bond equal to the respective dumping margins.

NKSA Executive Director Seth Bodner said the association remains confident "that the ITC will find that the domestic industry has indeed been hurt by this unfair trade activity."

The Commerce Department's International Trade Administration will make its final determination on the import of man-made fiber sweaters from Hong Kong on Aug. 17. Such imports reached $485.5 million in 1989.

In April, the ITA made a preliminary determination that Hong Kong sweaters are sold in the U.S. marketplace with a 25.2 percent dumping margin. The administration then calculated higher dumping margins for both Hong Kong

and South Korea.

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#90215u1706 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 352.21, low 344.46, close 346.63, off 5.52.

There was a loss of 19 cents in the average share price.

Volume 26,650,000 shares, compared with 20,300,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	16
New Lows	95
Advances	138
Declines	544
Unchanged	201
Total Issues	883

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(AUG. 3) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	188.83	off 3.53
ASE Market Value Index	346.63	off 5.52
Dow-Jones Industrial	2809.65	off 54.95

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#90215u1711 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks -	26,650,000 shares
1990 to date -	2,089,683,900
Bonds -	$2,810,000
1990 to date -	$433,091,000

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#90215u1725 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

PORT-OF-SPAIN, TRINIDAD (AUG. 3) UPI - A week after a failed but bloody coup attempt by black Moslem rebels, Trinidadians said Friday they were bewildered, angry and concerned about the virtual paralyzation of the twin-island nation.

The government said the coup attempt sparked violence and widespread looting and destruction in the capital that claimed at least 30 lives and

caused billions of dollars worth of damage and left hundreds without a job.

Unofficially, it was reported that more than 300 died and about 1,000 were injured in the failed coup.

Authorities were moving fast to rush in emergency supplies and to solve sanitation problems caused by piling up of garbage and bodies still left rotting on the streets.

There were scenes of near-total chaos Friday as crowds lined up for food, gasoline and other basic supplies. Most supermarkets and banks remained closed.

With a state of emergency and a curfew in force, industry and commerce were at a standstill, but Acting Prime Minister M. Winston Dookeran announced Friday that plans were being made to reopen banks on Sunday,

The rebels stormed the Parliament and television station the night of July 27, taking captive Prime Minister Arthur Robinson and some 45 others, demanding Robinson resign and calling for new elections.

Rebel leader Yasin Abu Bakr and 68 others surrendered about 1 p.m. Wednesday after releasing 29 hostages from the television station. The rebels inside the Parliament building, including Abu Bakr's second in command, Balil Abdulah, surrendered a few hours later and released the 17 remaining hostages, including Cabinet members and legislators.

Hundreds of troops from other East Caribbean nations were heading to Trinidad and Tobago to assist security forces, and the rebels who tried to oust the government will be prosecuted for treason.

In the wake of the rebels' surrender, the political situation is confusing. Robinson has not spoken to the nation since his release. There also have been reports of wrangling in the government over the handling of the affair after the rebel surrender.

The Daily Express newspaper said military hardliners had ruled out any deal with the rebels.

Government public relations officer Gregory Shaw said there had been an emotional reaction among the population that the rebels should have been shot but that ''this is a democratic country and these people will be tried by law''.

The Express said the police and defense force had refused to sign any agreement giving amnesty to the insurgents.

Shaw also said in a press briefing Friday that Robinson was resting

comfortably and will speak on the radio Sunday.

Two shipments of emergency supplies arrived from Venezuela Friday and more are enroute from the United States, Canada and other countries.

Shaw said charges of treason, murder and kidnapping will be brought against members of the group, but added it would take about three days before charges are filed.

The charges the group's members will face carry a penalty of death by hanging. There have been no executions in Trinidad since 1975.

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#90215u1739 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - More negotiations between the White House and Congress are in store as the two sides try to reconcile their differences on a major civil rights bill soon to be headed for President Bush's desk.

The bill passed by the House Friday is similar to one passed two weeks ago by the Senate and the two chambers should have little trouble working out their differences after the August recess. More important is the question of whether administration concerns can be resolved.

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass. who led the fight for passage in the Senate, said in a statement after the House vote, ''There is still time to negotiate a satisfactory compromise and avoid a veto battle. I urge the administration to abandon its insistence on a watered-down bill as the price of the president's signature.''

The bill is intended to reverse or modify five Supreme Court decisions last year that made it more difficult for women or minorities to prove job discrimination, and also restricted the remedies available to them.

Opponents argued that it goes beyond the court decisions and will result in hiring quotas and many more lawsuits.

The bill passed the House on a 272-154 vote, which would be enough to override a veto if the votes hold firm.

Ralph Neas, of the Leadership Council on Civil Rights, said after the House action, said he was ''very confident'' there would be a two-thirds majority in both chambers for the final version of the bill.

But he stressed, ''we hope the president is going to be part of this'' and not veto the bill.

Bush, in a letter House Republican leader Robert Michel, of Illinois,

urged approval of a subsitute plan, saying it ''represents a sound, practical compromise that my administrtion can and will support.'' But the amendment was rejected by the House, 238-188.

The House adopted two Democratic amendments intended to make clear that quotas are not required and to set a limit on monetary damages that can be awarded, but Bush said the changes ''would not result in a bill I can sign.''

The bill already has been the subject of extensive negotiations with the White House and Neas said, ''I'm sure that there will be more discussions.''

Supporters ''are willing to make clarifications consistent with the intent of the legislation ... but there are not going to be any compromises on principle.''

A statement by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce charged that the House had ''voted against true civil rights, and instead voted for quotas and litigation.'' The business group said ''it is now inevitable that the president will veto this bill.''

The bill, in addition to dealing with the Supreme Court decisions, also, for the first time, allows the award of compensatory and punitive damages for victims of job discrimination based on sex, religion or national origin. Such awards have long been available to victims racial job discrimination.

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#90215u1740 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 3) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Friday - 15,383,000

1990 to date - 1,513,323,000

The market closed broadly lower.

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#90215u1781 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	346.63	off	5.52
High Technology	348.23	off	14.73
Capital Goods	387.86	off	5.21
Consumer Goods	428.45	off	9.97
Service	800.78	off	19.09
Retail	1140.05	off	17.94
Natural Resources	254.43	up	0.09

Housing-Const-Land 366.18 off 14.30
There was a loss of 19 cents in the price of an Amex share.
REGIONALS

New England	438.75	off 7.53
Mid Atlantic	446.21	off 9.66
No Central	504.16	off 11.22
So Atlantic	1018.11	off 18.25
So Central	344.71	off 3.75
Mountain	121.69	off 5.78
Pacific	406.34	off 16.11
Foreign	250.64	up 0.97

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#90215u1784 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	415.29	266.21	140.07	26.45	351.48
Opening	406.97	260.36	137.67	25.88	344.51
11 a.m.	408.12	258.50	138.29	25.90	345.44
Noon	406.72	257.29	138.06	25.85	344.35
1 p.m.	403.49	255.76	137.66	25.73	341.93
2 p.m.	398.96	253.40	136.82	25.44	338.31
3 p.m.	405.52	256.24	138.05	25.87	343.55
Close	407.06	256.39	138.69	25.96	344.86
Change	off 8.23	off 9.82	off 1.38	off 0.49	off 6.62

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#90215u1813 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	272.50	272.55	258.00	266.50	275.00
Dec	271.00	271.00	270.00	270.00	278.60
Mar	....	....	....	274.25	282.85

Previous day volume: 41 contracts.
Open interest: 1,345 up 4

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	348.00	352.00	337.50	346.65	353.90

Dec	352.50	355.85	341.00	350.55	358.10
Mar	351.00	355.50	346.00	352.85	361.55
Jun	356.00	359.00	349.00	357.95	365.65

Today's estimated volume: 48,290 contracts.
Open interest: 118,684 up 2,835
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	192.05	192.40	183.90	189.30	193.40
Dec	194.00	194.00	187.00	191.50	195.65
Mar	....	....	....	193.70	197.90

Open interest: 5,363 up 442
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	578.00	578.80	553.00	569.80	580.55
Sep	579.40	579.40	557.00	572.00	582.70

Estimated volume 4,018 contracts.
Open interest: 6,245 up 248

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#90215u1819 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 23 to 111 points higher.

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	74.80	76.75	74.70	76.40	75.39
Dec	71.25	73.25	70.95	72.77	71.66
Mar	72.20	74.30	72.15	73.80	72.80
May	72.80	73.20	72.60	74.33	73.55
Jly	73.00	73.00	72.50	74.00	73.10
Oct	....	....	....	69.75	69.50
Dec	67.00	67.90	67.00	67.48	67.25

Estimated sales: 10,536 contracts
Open interest: 34,376 up 638
The World spot average: unavailable

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#90215u1841 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	33	59	24
New lows	249	145	79

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	260	34,046,000

Declines	1,447	246,858,400
Unchanged	306	11,455,000
Total	2,013	280,905,000

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#90215u1844 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
USX Corp	5,057,100	34 7/8	up 1/4
Philip Morris	4,102,000	46 1/2	off 1/8
Boeing Co	3,828,500	54	up 1/2
Wal Mart Stores	3,589,000	30 3/8	up 1/2
IBM Corp	3,549,200	108 1/8	off 1 5/8
Genl Electric	3,387,200	69 3/4	off 7/8
Exxon Corp	3,263,400	53 1/8	off 1/8
Mobil Corp	3,257,900	66 7/8	off 3/8
Bristol Myers	2,831,500	60 1/2	off 1 3/4
McDonalds Corp	2,664,300	30 1/4	off 1/2
Texaco Inc	2,660,300	64 5/8	off 1 1/4
Fedl Natl Mtge	2,642,600	35 7/8	off 1/2
AT&T Co	2,619,300	36	off 1
Amer Express	2,435,800	27 3/4	off 1/4
Citicorp	2,353,500	18 5/8	off 3/8

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#90215u1845 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 3) UPI - The Soviet Union and the United States Friday demanded Iraq's immediate withdrawal from Kuwait, and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said Baghdad has assured Moscow it will pull out the troops ''very shortly.''

The unprecedented joint statement issued by Shevardnadze and Secretary of State James Baker also called on all countries of the world to stop arms shipments to Iraq.

''Governments that engage in blatant aggression must know that the world community cannot and will not tolerate such aggression or assist it,'' the statement said.

Baker cut short a visit to Mongolia, concluding a 12-day Asia tour, and flew to the Soviet Union for the urgent talks with Shevardnadze on the Middle East crisis. After the two men issued the joint statement at a brief news conference, Baker left Moscow for Washington.

Shevardnadze told reporters at Moscow's Vnukovo Airport, where he met Baker, that the Soviet Union has had contact with Iraq about the Kuwait invasion.

''We have not had any official answer, but in Baghdad we have had contacts at various levels, and we have been assured that the troops will be withdrawn very shortly,'' he said.

Baker said the U.S.-Soviet statement was ''not just rhetoric, but concrete '' but it did not describe any specific steps the two superpowers might take. Moscow on Thursday stopped arms shipments to Iraq and Washington slapped a trade embargo on Baghdad and froze Iraqi assets in the United States.

''The Soviet Union and the United States reiterate our call for the unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait,'' the joint statement said.

''Today we take the unusual step of jointly calling on the international community to join with us in ceasing all arms deliveries to Iraq,'' it said.

Shevardnadze said he did not believe some 7,000 to 8,000 Soviet citizens in Iraq were in danger, but he warned of ''very very serious consequences'' if their security was threatened.

At a news conference in Ulan Bator, Mongolia shortly before he cut short a visit to fly to Moscow, Baker called Iraq's invasion of Kuwait an ''outlaw action,'' saying the United States was considering a range of responses and refusing to rule out military action.

The secretary of state said Iraq was believed to have 50,000 to 100,000 troops in Kuwait and was consolidating its grip on the country.

''There are indications that the occupying power is setting up a puppet government,'' Baker said.

He said there were no reports of American casualties and ''the integrity of foreign embassies seems to have been preserved so far'' in the occupied nation.

''What you have here clearly is naked aggression by a strong and powerful country with a major military machine against a smaller and much weaker neighbor,'' Baker said. ''This can only be characterized as an outlaw action.''

Asked about the possible U.S. response, Baker said Washington was considering ''a number of different possibilities and options,'' and he would not rule out the use of force.

''I'm not going to run through all those here or get into answering questions about any that would have a military connotation,'' he said.

Baker appeared at the briefing with Mongolian Foreign Minister T. Gombosuren, who announced that Mongolia had also condemned the Iraqi invasion. Baker said this indicated ''Iraq's invasion should be condemned in the strongest terms, and Iraq should withdraw.''

''The international community should draw together and make it clear it will not tolerate such action.''

The Kuwait crisis forced Baker to end his Mongolia visit at the close of its official schedule, which lasted about 26 hours. He had to skip a planned weekend hunting, camping and fishing trip in the Gobi Desert.

The visit was the first by an American secretary of state since the United States and Mongolia established relations in January 1987, but it was overshadowed by Kuwait.

Baker signed agreements during the visit to give Mongolia Peace Corps volunteers, to solidify consular relations and to improve trade and commercial links.

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#90215u1846 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 16
New lows 95

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	138	7,848,700
Declines	544	14,747,000
Unchanged	201	4,054,300
Total	883	22,595,700

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#90215u1847 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks - 292,360,000 shares
1990 to date - 23,758,258,402
Warrants - 2,704,700
1990 to date - 141,887,700

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#90215u1850 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2809.65	off	54.95	1039.05	off	39.23	209.70	off	2.38
Thursday	2864.60	off	34.66	1078.28	off	12.60	212.09	off	0.81
Week ago	2898.51	off	22.28	1134.67	off	7.48	203.35	up	0.19
Month ago	2904.95	up	25.74	1140.69	up	9.67	206.11	off	0.06
Year ago	2653.45	off	8.16	1250.00	off	16.89	218.18	off	0.63
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2543.24			1013.83			200.20		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90215u1853 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Amdahl Corp	1,365,500	12 3/8	off 1 7/8
PW Grp wtB	1,249,600	4 1/4	up 1/2
Diasonics Inc	1,115,400	3	off 1/4
Salomon wt Jan	1,074,400	10 7/8	up 3/8
Denmark K wt	888,700	11 7/8	up 3/8
Tubos De Acero	843,100	5 7/8	up 3/4
Hillhaven Corp	813,200	1 5/8	unch
Echo Bay Mines	802,300	13 5/8	off 1/8
Wang Lab B	790,600	3 3/4	unch
Eksport AS	718,400	4 1/8	up 3/8

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#90215u1868 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended August 3, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Chevron Corp	16,075,100	81 5/8	76 7/8	78 3/4	up 1 1/2
Wal-Mart Stores	14,328,100	31 7/8	28 1/2	30 3/8	off 1 1/4
Exxon Corp	13,191,400	55	49 1/8	53 1/8	up 3 7/8
Texaco Inc	x12,038,300	68 1/2	61 3/8	64 5/8	up 3 1/8
Philip Morris	11,790,000	48 1/4	42 3/4	46 1/2	off 1/8
Boeing Co	11,685,000	59	49 7/8	54	off 5 1/4
USX Corp	10,777,800	35 3/8	34	34 7/8	up 3/8
Mobil Corp	10,672,400	69	64	66 7/8	up 2 3/8

IBM Corp	9,975,100	112 7/8	103 3/4	108 1/8	off	3 1/4
Citicorp	9,737,500	20 3/8	18 1/8	18 5/8	off	1 3/4
Genl Electric	9,332,100	72 1/2	66 3/4	69 3/4	off	2
AT&T Company	9,083,300	37 1/4	35	36	off	1/4
Global Marine	8,772,200	5 5/8	4 1/2	5 1/8	up	1/2
United Telecom	8,736,800	25 1/4	24	24 3/4	off	5/8
Eastman Kodak	8,545,800	42 5/8	38	40 7/8	up	1 7/8
McDonalds Corp	8,090,700	32 1/8	29 1/2	30 1/4	off	1 1/2
Amoco Corp	7,868,900	60 3/8	53 7/8	57 1/2	up	3 1/4
Amer Express	7,798,100	29 1/2	26 1/2	27 3/4	off	1 3/4
Unocal Corp	7,666,600	34 3/8	29 7/8	32 3/8	up	2
Phillips Pet	7,384,800	30 5/8	27 1/2	29 1/8	up	1 1/2

x-ex dividend.

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#90215u1871 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	20.60-20.70	19.40-19.45
North Sea Brent	23.40-23.50	22.00-22.05
West Texas Intermed	24.40-24.50	23.15-23.20
Light Louisiana Sweet	24.85-25.05	23.50-23.65
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	75.95-76.20	71.20-71.35
No. 2 Heating oil	65.35-65.60	63.10-63.25
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	73.45-73.95	67.35-67.60
No. 2 Heating oil	63.00-63.20	61.20-61.45

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#90215u1878 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6850	off 125
PSEG pf	92	up 17
Captl Cities	515 1/2	off 13 1/2
ARch pfC	333	up 9
Household pf	92	off 8
UAL Corp	122 1/2	off 7 1/2
UJB pf	28	off 5 1/2
Bausch Lambert	62 3/4	off 5
Boise Cascade	36 3/8	up 4 7/8
Tosco pf	43 3/4	off 4 3/4

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#90215u1879 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 3) UPI - Amnesty International said Friday it has received reports that hundreds of Iraqis living in Kuwait and suspected of opposing the Iraqi government have been arrested since Iraq's invasion.

The London-based organization, which monitors human rights abuses worldwide, said the reports indicate some of the detainees may have already been taken back to Iraq, where they face imprisonment or are at risk of torture or execution.

The arrests allegedly occurred after Iraqi troops moved into Kuwait early Thursday.

''The Iraqi government has a record of brutal ruthlessness with its opponents,'' Amnesty International said in a prepared statement. ''We fear for the safety, and the lives, of those arrested in Kuwait.''

''Those arrested apparently include members or supporters of the Iraqi Communist Party and Shiite Moslems with links to the opposition group al-Da'wa al-Islamiyya (Islamic Call), membership of which is a capital offense in Iraq,'' Amnesty said.

Many of the arrests reportedly took place in the predominantly Shiite Moslem district of Bnaid al-Gar in Kuwait city, where Amnesty said

security forces apparently carried out house searches and arrested suspected opponents.

Amnesty said the Iraqi government has long been interested in Iraqi political opponents living in Kuwait.

It said the Kuwait government is believed to have handed Iraqi nationals over to Iraqi authorities in the mid-1980s.

The group said it was concerned about the alleged arrests because of Iraq's poor human rights record.

Iraq has held thousands of political prisoners without charge or trial, detaining some after unfair trials and torturing others. Hundreds of Iraqi Kurds have ''disappeared'' and others executed after surrendering to Iraqi officials under recent amnesties, Amnesty said.

The Kuwaiti Embassy in Belgium reported that about 200 Kuwaitis were said to have been killed during the invasion, according to Amnesty, which said the circumstances of the killings remained unclear.

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#90215u1881 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - First Dog Millie is recovering after licking paint remover used to renovate the White House, the presidential spokesman said Friday.

Slightly modifying word the day before from President Bush that Millie was suffering from lead poisoning, press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the family pet had somehow waded into the solvent and licked it off her paws. The solvent is being used to remove old paint from the South Side of the White House.

''Blood tests have shown that Millie had acute lead exposure, which is not the same as lead poisoning,'' the spokesman said in answer to a flurry of questions from a concerned public.

''According to the veterinarian, the condition has already corrected itself through the natural cleansing process.''

He did not elaborate.

Lethargy in the friendly, 4 1/2-year-old English springer spaniel prompted concern in the first family and Bush disclosed the condition Thursday in Aspen, Colo., calling it a ''terrible thing.''

''It has all been removed so that neither Millie nor anyone else can be

exposed to it,'' Fitzwater said of the offending solvent.

''Millie is fine,'' he added. ''Millie is in good shape and back performing her functions as first dog.''

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#90215u1882 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 3) UPI - Here is the text of the joint U.S.-Soviet statement on Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, as read by Secretary of State James Baker at a news conference with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze:

''The Soviet Union and the United States, as members of the United Nations Security Council, consider it important that the Council promptly and decisively (has) condemned the brutal and illegal invasion of Kuwait by Iraqi military forces.

''The United States and the Soviet Union believe that now it is essential that the Security Council resolution be fully and immediately implemented. By its actions Iraq has shown its contempt for the most fundamental principles of the United Nations charter and international law.

''In response to this blatant transgression of the basic norms of civilized conduct, the United States and the Soviet Union have each taken a number of actions, including the Soviet suspension of arms deliveries and the American freezing of assets.

''The Soviet Union and United States reiterate our call for unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait. The sovereignty, national independence, legitimate authorities and territorial integrity of the state of Kuwait must be completely restored and safeguarded.

''The United States and the Soviet Union believe the international community must not only condemn this action, but also take practical steps in response to it. Today we take the unusual step of jointly calling on the rest of the international community to join with us in an international cut-off of all arms supplies to Iraq.

''In addition, the Soviet Union and the United States call on regional organizations, especially the League of Arab States, all Arab governments as well as the non-aligned movement and the Islamic Conference to take all possible steps to ensure that the United Nations Security Council resolution is carried out.

''Governments that engage in blatant aggression must know that the international community cannot and will not acquiesce in or facilitate aggression.''

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#90215u1884 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 3) UPI - Largest net changes amoung NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended August 3, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6850	off 250
Consol Ed pf	320	up 42
Cap Cities ABC	515 1/2	off 40 1/2
UAL Inc	122 1/2	off 40 1/2
Atl Rich pfC	333	up 31 3/4
PSEG pf	92	up 18
Household pf	92	off 18
Crawford B	16 1/2	off 14 3/4
Funds Amer	48 3/8	up 13 3/8
CBS Inc	174 7/8	off 11 5/8
Beneficial pfC	226 1/4	off 11 1/4
Wash Post	237 1/4	off 10 3/4
Matsushita El	128 1/8	off 9 7/8
Lowe's Cos	27 1/4	off 9 3/8

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#90215u1905 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 3) UPI - Families and co-workers anxiously pleaded for news Friday on a dozen or more employees of U.S. oil companies who are missing and believed to have been taken prisoner by Iraqi troops during the invasion of Kuwait.

''The main thing I'd like right now is for (the Iraqis) to let him call us '' said Marjorie Walterscheid of Jacksboro, Texas, whose husband, Rainard, was missing from a Sante Fe Drilling Co. facility in northern Kuwait.

''I'd like to hear his voice,'' she said. ''If I could just talk to him a minute, I could tell by listening that everything is fine. I can tell if anything is wrong.''

A State Department spokesman said in Washington that 14 American citizens - all employees of three American oil companies in fields near the Iraqi-Kuwaiti border - were known to be missing and believed to be in the custody of Iraqi troops.

But three U.S. companies said they had a total of 12 employees unaccounted for in Kuwait, of whom nine are Americans, one is Canadian and two are British.

The State Department said it was pressing Iraq for more information and

had a commitment from the Iraqi government to safeguard Americans.

The U.S. government did not identify the missing workers or their employers, but Santa Fe Drilling Co., an Alhambra, Calif., subsidiary of Sante Fe International Corp., said eight of its employees were taken: six Americans, one Canadian and one British citizen.

Halliburton Co. of Dallas, an oil field services company, said it had not been able to account for one American and one British employee out of 16 workers in Kuwait.

Chevron Research and Technology Co., a Richmond, Calif., subsidiary of Chevron USA Inc., said two of its engineers - both East San Francisco Bay residents - also were missing.

John Mika, a spokesman for Sante Fe International - a subsidiary of the Kuwaiti state petroleum company - said the company did not know where the employees were being held.

''All we have is information that they have been detained,'' he said. ''The information is very sketchy. It is a sensitive issue and at this stage we can't comment any further.''

Mika declined to identify any of the missing Sante Fe employees, but relatives identified two of them as Walterscheid, 52, and Charles Amos, 59 of Harmony, Texas.

Walterscheid had been expected to return from Kuwait Aug. 17, said his daughter, Paula Czap of Lawton, Okla.

''He was talking on the phone to an official from Santa Fe Drilling Co. when he looked up and said, 'The soldiers are here.' Then the line went dead,'' she said.

Santa Fe Drilling officials tried repeatedly to call back and finally reached an Iraqi soldier, she said.

''The Iraqi soldier said they were putting them in a car and taking them away,'' Czap said.

Marjorie Walterscheid said her husband, a drilling superintendent at an exploration site near the Ahmadi in northern Kuwait, had worked in that country since March.

''The main thing I'm worried about is, what if we go in?'' she said, referring to the prospect of U.S. military intervention.

Walterscheid said she doesn't want the United States to attack ''until I

get my husband home. Then let them have it.''

The family of Amos awaited word on his whereabouts at the family home in Harmony.

''We are holding out for whatever information we can get,'' said Amos's son, David. ''We just know he was one of eight being led by Iraqi troops toward the border.''

''We're just concerned for our friends there and Charles,'' said Sarah Amos, wife of the missing oil worker. ''We'd just like to hear from someone to tell us where he's at.''

Halliburton spokesman Guy Marcus said most of his company's employees in Kuwait had escaped to Saudi Arabia by land, but one American and one Briton remained unaccounted for.

''They could be anywhere,'' he said. ''We are in the process of trying to locate them, but the progress is slow with all the turmoil.''

Marcus said he could not identify the workers, nor give details of those who had their families with them.

A Chevron spokesman in San Francisco said that company's two missing engineers had been finishing up a three-week consulting trip to Kuwait when the invasion occurred.

''Neither the company nor their families have had any contact with them since the invasion,'' spokesman Sandy Mackie said. ''Their families are obviously concerned and anxious. ... We don't know whether they've been detained or just unable to contact us.''

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#90215u1909 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended August 3:

High	Low	Last	Net change
355.49	344.46	346.63	off 8.86

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#90215u1910 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - In an unintentional irony, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee voted Friday to confirm career diplomat Edward William Gnehm as the new U.S. ambassador to Kuwait.

Gnehm, 45, of Carrolton, Ga., is now the deputy assistant secretary of

state for Near Eastern and South Asian affairs. He joined the Foreign Service in 1969 and has served in Vietnam, Nepal, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Yemen and Syria.

Committee staffers said it was coincidental the nomination came up Friday. Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., joked that someone should tell the nominee ''the good news is he's been confirmed; the bad news is he's going to Kuwait.''

Gnehm will replace W. Nathaniel Howell, the ambassador since July 1987, who remains in Kuwait, State Department officials said.

Also confirmed on a voice vote were the nominations of Townsend Friedman of Illinois as ambassador to Mozambique, Kenneth Peltier of Texas as ambassador to Comoros and Genta Holmes of California as ambassador to Namibia.

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#90215u1912 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Standard & Poor's stock price index for the week ended August 3:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	420.23	407.06	407.06	off 10.99
20 Trans	272.47	256.39	256.39	off 17.03
40 Utils	141.44	138.69	138.69	up 2.77
40 Fncl	27.50	25.96	25.96	off 1.71
500 Stock	356.15	344.86	344.86	off 8.58

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#90215u1913 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Thu	Fri	Thu
Argntn austrl	.000180	.000186	5545.00	5370.00
Australia dlr	.7847	.7859	1.2744	1.2724
Austria schill	.0894	.0887	11.18	11.27
Belgium frnc-c	.0306	.0304	32.71	32.93
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26

Brazil cruzado	.0141	.0143	70.72	69.73
Britain pound	1.8545	1.8565	.5392	.5386
Britain 1-mo	1.8437	1.8447	.5424	.5421
Britain 3-mo	1.8227	1.8344	.5486	.5451
Britain 6-mo	1.7934	1.7963	.5576	.5567
Canada dollar	.8682	.8687	1.1518	1.1511
Canada 1-mo	.8642	.8645	1.1572	1.1567
Canada 3-mo	.8571	.8573	1.1667	1.1665
Canada 6-mo	.8485	.8489	1.1786	1.1780
Chile peso-f	.003464	.003466	288.67	288.48
China yuan	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127
Colombia pes	.001982	.001984	504.55	503.99
Denmark krne	.1647	.1635	6.0705	6.1150
Ecudr sucr-z	.001108	.001110	902.88	900.90
Egypt pound	.3742	.3742	2.6727	2.6727
Finlnd mrkka	.2669	.2680	3.7470	3.7310
France franc	.1872	.1881	5.3410	5.3165
France 1-mo	.1869	.1878	5.3491	5.3249
France 3-mo	.1863	.1872	5.3672	5.3430
France 6-mo	.1853	.1862	5.3955	5.3695
Greece drach	.006424	.006363	155.67	157.16
Hollnd guildr	.5574	.5594	1.7940	1.7876
HongKong dlr	.1288	.1288	7.7660	7.7662
India rupee	.0578	.0578	17.31	17.30
Indo'sa rupia	.000543	.000544	1841.00	1839.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.6795	1.6770	0.5954	0.5963
Israel shekel	.5000	.5025	2.0000	1.9900
Italy lira	.000858	.000861	1165.25	1161.25
Japan yen	.006671	.006723	149.90	148.75
Japan 1-mo	.006672	.006723	149.89	148.74
Japan 3-mo	.006671	.006723	149.90	148.74
Japan 6-mo	.006672	.006723	149.89	148.74
Jordan dinar	1.5305	1.5305	0.6534	0.6534
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico pes-z	.000349	.000349	2864.00	2864.00
N.Zealand dlr	.5933	.5917	1.6855	1.6900
Norway krne	.1623	.1616	6.1600	6.1900
Pakistn rupee	.0466	.0466	21.48	21.48
Peru inti	.000006	.000006	167,450	167,450
P'pnes peso-z	.0441	.0441	22.66	22.66
Portugl escd	.007148	.007082	139.89	141.20
Saudi riyal	.2668	.2668	3.7480	3.7480
Singapore dlr	.5534	.5539	1.8070	1.8053
S.Africa rand	.3863	.3857	2.5884	2.5924
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57

Spain peseta	.010217	.010202	97.88	98.02
Sweden krona	.1714	.1717	5.8330	5.8250
Switzrl franc	.7402	.7405	1.3510	1.3505
Switzrl 1-mo	.7396	.7399	1.3521	1.3516
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7382	.7385	1.3546	1.3541
Switzrl 6-mo	.7362	.7366	1.3584	1.3576
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.84	26.79
Turkey lira	.000378	.000379	2646.00	2638.00
UAE dirham	.2725	.2725	3.6699	3.6699
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0206	.0206	48.56	48.56
W.Ger Mark	.6277	.6303	1.5930	1.5865
W.Ger 1-mo	.6276	.6302	1.5934	1.5869
W.Ger 3-mo	.6270	.6296	1.5949	1.5883
W.Ger 6-mo	.6257	.6285	1.5982	1.5912
Yugosl dinar	0.0915	0.0907	10.93	11.03

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90215u1915 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter --day as supplied by NASD.

Volume	203,173,600
Advances	484
Declines	1,818
Unchanged	1,980
Total	4,282

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#90215u1916 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending August 3.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	91.67	91.92	91.43	91.43	up 0.15
10 Utils	93.11	93.38	92.71	92.71	up 0.26
10 Indus	90.24	90.46	90.16	90.16	up 0.05

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#90215u1919 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
DETROIT (AUG. 3) UPI - Following are the monthly and 10-day sales figures

for car and light-duty trucks among the nation's domestic automakers:

JULY U.S. CAR SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Year ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	279,055	277,921	up 0.4 pc
Ford	159,584	186,568	off 14.5 pc
Chrysler	60,948	72,313	off 15.7 pc
Honda	44,130	33,764	up 30.6 pc
Nissan	9,349	10,017	off 6.7 pc
Toyota	27,980	16,171	up 73.0 pc
Mazda	7,487	3,772	up 26.5 pc
Mitsubishi	3,501	2,883	up 21.7 pc
SIA	1,965	---	
Total	593,999	603,409	off 1.6 pc

JULY U.S. LIGHT TRUCK SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Year ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	155,241	146,227	up 6.2 pc
Ford	128,053	125,615	up 1.9 pc
Chrysler	72,851	82,059	off 11.2 pc
Nissan	11,237	10,844	up 3.6 pc
SIA	887	---	
Total	368,269	364,745	off 0.1 pc

JULY 21-31 U.S. CAR SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Yr ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	112,817	98,310	up 14.8 pc
Ford	60,515	70,736	off 14.5 pc
Chrysler	24,288	27,445	off 11.5 pc
Honda	23,020	13,966	up 64.8 pc
Nissan	4,829	4,477	up 8.0 pc
Toyota	13,732	8,748	up 57.0 pc
Mazda	4,057	2,024	up 100.4 pc
Mitsubishi	1,638	1,175	up 38.9 pc
SIA	1,073	---	
Total	245,969	226,881	up 8.4 pc

JULY 21-31 U.S. LIGHT TRUCK SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Yr ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	63,018	53,554	up 17.7 pc
Ford	51,755	46,322	up 11.7 pc
Chrysler	28,837	29,938	off 3.7 pc
Nissan	5,600	4,630	up 21.0 pc
SIA	624	---	
Total	149,834	134,434	up 11.5 pc

#90215u1933 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 4) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Basketball

Atlanta - Released center Grady Mateen, forwards Anthony Corbitt and Gerry Wright and guard Kirk Manns; invited forwards Darren Henrie, Darryl Middleton and Howard Wright to training camp.

College

Miami (Ohio) - Fired basketball coach Jerry Peirson for providing false grade to a player.

NCAA - Denied Maryland's appeal of sanctions against men's basketball program.

South Dakota State - Named Scott Nagy assistant men's basketball coach and Jim Lidstone women's golf coach.

Soccer

Dallas - Signed goalkeeper Joe Papaleo to 1-year contract.

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#90215u1936 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended August 3 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	146,477,070	209,036,890	620,100	1,621,800
Tuesday	173,837,130	181,920,620	784,900	1,389,000
Wednesday	176,814,390	163,532,510	752,600	858,400
Thursday	253,042,940	155,044,880	2,721,000	710,200
Friday	292,363,500	149,089,040	2,704,700	904,600
Total	1,042,535,030	858,623,940	7,583,300	5,484,000

	Bonds	
	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 38,055,000	$ 59,979,000
Tuesday	$ 36,127,000	$ 36,556,000
Wednesday	$ 39,360,000	$ 40,742,000
Thursday	$ 53,678,000	$ 67,266,000
Friday	$ 73,405,000	$ 59,946,000
Total	$240,580,000	$267,489,000

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#90215u1937 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Stock exchange sales for the week ended August 3.

New York Stock Exchange: Stocks - 1,042,535,030 shares, compared with 858,623,940 a week earlier and with 912,113,600 the year before. Warrants - 7,583,300 compared with 5,484,000 a week earlier and with 3,181,400 the year before. Bonds - $240,580,000 compared with $267,489,000 a week earlier and with $211,951,000 the year before.

American Stock Exchange: Stocks - 80,982,455 shares, compared with 68,855,845 a week earlier and with 66,827,135 the year before. Bonds - $11,603,000 compared with $16,853,000 a week earlier and with $15,321,000 the year before.

Midwest Stock Exchange: Stocks - 63,355,000 shares, compared with 51,250,000 a week earlier and with 66,822,000 the year before.

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#90215u1945 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended August 3:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	195.02	185.69	188.83	off 4.50
Industrial	243.48	231.55	235.79	off 6.30
Transportation	168.03	155.88	158.11	off 11.45
Utilities	91.06	87.99	89.29	up 1.01
Finance	139.74	131.45	133.41	off 6.29

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#90215u1947 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 3) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.00	8.09	8.93
91-day Treasury bills	7.56	7.69	8.08
182-day Treasury bills	7.59	7.68	7.68
1-year Treasury bills	7.59	7.68	7.50
3-year Treasury notes	7.98	8.02	7.97
7-year Treasury notes	8.32	8.29	7.94
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.54	8.46	8.08
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.10	9.05	8.81
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.60	9.50	9.09

GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.90	8.88	9.02
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.16	9.09	9.03
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.26	9.21	9.26
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.24	9.19	9.24

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90215u1958 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	189.36	185.69	188.82	off 3.54
Industrial	236.59	231.55	235.78	off 4.72
Transport	160.10	155.88	158.11	off 5.33
Utility	89.30	88.24	89.29	off 1.10
Finance	133.56	131.45	133.41	off 2.30

Equivalent to a loss of 62 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 292,360,000 shares.

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#90215u2016 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - President Bush announced Friday he is nominating Richard Y. Roberts, a Washington lawyer, to be a member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for the term expiring June 5, 1995.

Roberts would succeed Joseph A. Grundfest.

In addition, the president also nominated:

-Paula J. Dobriansky, 34, a State Department official, to be associate director for programs of the U.S. Information Agency. She would succeed Charles Edward Horner.

-Juliette Clagett McLennan for the rank of ambasador during her tenure of service as the U.S. representative on the Commission on the Status of

Women of the U.N. Economic and Social Council.

-Antonio C. Amador, a deputy director in the California Employment Development Department, to be a member of the Merit Systems Protection Board for a seven year term. He would succeed Maria Lucia Johnson and upon confirmation would become vice chairman.

-Thomas D. Rath, a Concord, N.H. lawyer, to be a member of the board of directors of the Legal Services Corporation, succeeding John N. Erlenborn. Rath is a founding member of the Pennsylvania law firm of Rath, Young, Pignatelli and Oyer.

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#90215u2018 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Uncertainty about Iraq's next move in the Persian Gulf continued to give the dollar support Friday in thin, nervous New York trading, even though most traders wanted to sell the currency because of a report of higher U.S. unemployment.

Currency traders said rumors and conflicting reports about a possible Iraqi incursion into Saudi Arabia, the world's leading oil producer, kept up buying of the dollar as a safe haven from global turmoil.

But they unhappily eyed a Labor Department report that nonfarm employment, excluding 162,000 temporary U.S. census workers, fell by 57,000 jobs in July, with the jobless rate ticking up to 5.5 percent from June's 5.2 percent. "Without Mideast tensions, the dollar would have come off this morning," said Jack Griffin, a Banque Indosuez assistant vice president.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.5925 German marks, up from 1.5908 marks Thursday, and at 149.90 Japanese yen, up from 149.25.

Barry O'Sullivan, chief trader at Union Bank of Switzerland, said trading was "real nervous, real thin." Griffin said players "seemed to want to stay out of it. ... There was just too much of a chance for it to go either way."

Griffin added that if the Mideast political situation calmed down, the dollar was likely to be sold heavily on ramifications of higher oil prices which would drive up inflation and slow economic growth.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.35 Swiss francs, off from 1.3520; 5.3425 French francs, up from 5.3300; and 1,163 Italian lire, off from 1,164.50. The British pound moved up to $1.8550 from $1.8540.

In Europe, the dollar closed lower against all major currencies as the disappointing U.S. employment figures and a reassessment of the dollar's

value led to erosion of Thursday's gains spurred by the turmoil in the Gulf.

Only unconfirmed rumors of Iraqi troops threatening Saudia Arabia prevented a greater drop in the dollar, dealers said. "The market is very skittish about the dollar," said Andy Baxter of Bank of America's London office.

Baxter said that, with the United States on the verge of a recession and oil prices boding higher inflation, the dollar is vulnerable: "Recession and inflation doesn't add up to a very attractive economy."

The dollar fell in both Frankfurt, to 1.5930 German marks vs. 1.6035 Thursday, and Zurich, to 1.3500 Swiss francs vs. 1.3650.

In London, the pound closed higher at $1.8560 against $1.84975. Dealers said the pound, helped by high British interest rates, advanced on short-covering before the weekend.

The U.S. unit also closed lower in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively, 5.3365 French francs from 5.4270, 32.75 Belgian francs from 32.99 and 1,166.10 Italian lire against 1,185.20.

Earlier, the dollar continued to rise in Tokyo against the yen. The dollar closed at 149.35 yen, ahead from 148.90 yen. "We were run ragged today by various new reports of Iraq's invasion," said Sumitomo Bank chief dealer Tetsuya Taura.

In Zurich, gold closed at $379 an ounce, down $1.50 from Thursday's close of $380.50. In London, gold closed at $378.125 an ounce, off from $378.75.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $377.75 an ounce, up from $377.50 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled gold at $377.40 an ounce, up from $376.80 the day before.

Silver was unchanged in Zurich at $4.90 an ounce but fell in London to $4.86 an ounce from $4.87.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.855 an ounce, down from $4.86. Comex silver ended at $4.842 an ounce, up from $4.835.

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#90215u2019 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - Justice Thurgood Marshall was admitted to the hospital Friday following a fall he suffered while attending a Bar Association convention in Chicago, a Supreme Court official said.

Marshall, at 82 the oldest member of the high court, was admitted to Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md., for observation, court spokeswoman Toni House said. His condition was stable.

Marshall had flown to Chicago Thursday to participate in the annual American Bar Association convention. He stumbled and fell about dinnertime in the lobby of the hotel where he was staying, and flew back to Washington Friday, House said.

House said the justice decided to return to Washington because he wanted to see his doctor. She declined to describe the nature of Marshall's injuries.

However, House said the accident would prevent the justice from returning to Chicago, where he was scheduled to address an ABA dinner Monday night.

With the departure last month of liberal Justice William Brennan, Marshall became the leading liberal voice on the conservative-dominated court.

As an NAACP laywer, Marshall gained national prominence as lead attorney when he won the 1954 Brown vs. Board of Education case that led to nationwide school desegregation.

He served as U.S. Solicitor General - the government's chief representative before the Supreme Court - before being selected as the first black member of the high court by Lyndon Johnson in 1967.

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#90215u2035 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell introduced legislation Friday to ensure that states retain the right to regulate the disposal of low-level radioactive wastes.

Mitchell's proposal was in reaction to a policy statement by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, which said last month it would allow the deregulation of some radioactive waste.

''The NRC decision is a short-sighted attempt to reduce disposal costs at the expense of the public health,'' Mitchell said. The result of the NRC policy would be more people facing a higher cancer risk.''

The proposed measure by the Maine lawmaker would prohibit the NRC from proceeding with its policy of deregulating low-level radioactive wastes.

Nine senators signed the bill as co-sponsors.

The National Research Council of the National Academy of Sciences recently

said the risks of exposure to low-level radiation are three to four times greater than previously estimated, Mitchell said in a statement.

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#90215u2049 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Aug 3, 1990	48	216	232	633	148	1013
July 27, 1990	48	159	288	524	186	998
Aug 4, 1989	106	50	408	394	209	1011

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#90215u2053 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Aug 3, 1990	122	425	595	1389	199	2183
July 27, 1990	80	309	608	1291	276	2175
Aug 4, 1989	567	59	1180	717	266	2163
Aug 5, 1988	70	53	899	935	324	2158

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#90215u2057 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - The United States and the Soviet Union today took the unprecedented step of issuing a joint condemnation of Iraq's takeover of Kuwait by demanding Iraqi troops withdraw immediately. Baghdad has assured Moscow that it will pull out of Kuwait- quote- ''very shortly.''

In Washington, the State Department says it is seriously concerned about the large number of Iraqi troops moving toward Saudi Arabia. But a spokesman refused to comment on possible U-S responses should the Iraqis invade another oil-rich neighbor.

Texas Democrat Lloyd Bentsen lit into Iraq today during a speech on the Senate floor. Bentsen warned that the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait poses a threat to the entire world... and he called for an international embargo of Iraqi oil.

The House today bucked White House opinion by passing a civil rights bill hailed by some as the most important since the landmark 1964 act. The measure is similar and aims to protect minorities against job

discrimination.

Senator Christopher Dodd is once again trying to get his family and medical leave bill turned into law. The Connecticut Democrat reintroduced the measure today... nine days after Congress failed to over-ride a veto of the bill.

The water you drink may be dangerous. The General Accounting Office today charged the E-P-A with negligence for allegedly allowing many water systems to produce drinking water contaminated with chemicals that may cause cancer and other diseases.

Hungary has it first NON-communist head of state in 40 years. The Hungarian Parliament today overwhelmingly elected acting President and former dissident Arpad Goncz to the nation's top post. All the major parties supported Goncz in the voting.

An art dealer with a keen eye helped police in Burlington, Vermont, capture a man and woman wanted for a one-and-a-half-Million-dollar Louisiana art heist. The dealer alerted police after the couple tried to sell him a rare print for a fraction of its cost.

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#90215u2085 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 480.17, off 2.08 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90215u2122 08/03/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 3) - New Issues Scheduled for Public Sale Provided by Salomon Brothers Inc., Subject to change

Week of August 6
U.S. Government & Federal Agencies
Week of August 6

Aug. 7 - $18.4 billion in 13- and 26-week T-bills ($2.4 billion new cash).
Aug. 8 - Quarterly refunding. $11.5 billion in 3-year T-notes.
Aug. 8 - $500 million in 4- and 30-year Fannie Mae debentures.
Aug. 9 - Quarterly refunding. $10.5 billion in 10-year T-notes.
Aug. 10 - Quarterly refunding. $10.25 billion in 30-year T-bonds.
Aug. 10 - $10 billion in 36-day Treasury cash management bills.

Tax-exempt Notes & Bonds
Courtesy of The Bond Buyer
Issues are to be negotiated unless otherwise noted

Week of August 6
$250 million New York City Water Authority revenue bonds.
$211 million New York State Dormitory Authority revenue bonds.
$190 million Los Angeles certificates of participation.
$100 million Vermont general purpose notes (competitive).
$75 million Maricopa County, Ariz., general obligation bonds(competitive).
$75 million Westchester County, N.Y., general obligation bonds(competitive).
$68.7 million Monmouth County, N.J., various purpose bonds(competitive).
$46.87 million Arlington County, Va., bond anticipation notes(competitive).
$20 million Nevada municipal bond bank issue (competitive).
$18.64 million Nevada prison facilities issue (competitive).

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#90215u2126 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2834.40	2863.86	2722.03	2809.65	off 54.95
20 Trans	1072.26	1072.81	1013.87	1039.05	off 39.23
15 Utils	211.58	212.27	206.49	209.70	off 2.39
65 Stock	1004.46	1010.92	962.96	989.32	off 23.06

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	45,358,400	45,377,100
Trans	7,039,100	4,569,400
Utils	4,086,000	4,604,700
65 Stock	56,483,500	54,551,200

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.43	off 0.38
10 Public Utils	92.71	off 0.57
10 Industrials	90.16	off 0.18

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 131.47 off 0.66.

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#90215u2127 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended August 3:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2876.33	2940.10	2833.17	2809.65	off 88.86
20 Trans	1119.53	1134.12	1061.13	1039.05	off 95.62
15 Utils	202.72	213.85	202.09	209.70	up 6.35
65 Stocks	1018.50	1037.86	1000.19	989.32	off 37.96

20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

91.67 91.92 91.43 91.43 up 0.15

Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

131.97 132.90 131.47 131.47 off 0.94

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#90215u2129 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - President Bush said Friday that if Iraqi troops drive through conquered Kuwait into Saudi Arabia, ''I would be inclined to help in any way we possibly can. It's that serious.

''The integrity of Saudi Arabia, its freedom, are very, very important to the United States,'' a grim-faced Bush said after a meeting with national security advisers at the White House and a series of telephone talks with world leaders.

Saudi Arabia is the major Middle East exporter of oil to the United States and is on tiny Kuwait's southern border at the hear of the Persian Gulf. The State Department said Iraqi troops had moved with miles of the border.

The United States and Saudi Arabia have had close ties for more than a half century and in the past decade U.S. officials have cultivated relations with the Saudis by supplying advanced military equipment, such as AWACS reconnaissance planes.

The White House responded skeptically to a report by the semi-official Middle East News Agency. It quoted a spokesman from Iraq's ruling Revolutionary Command Council as saying Iraqi troops would start withdrawing from Kuwait Sunday in accordance with an unspecified timetable. The official did not mention an Iraqi-backed government that Baghdad claimed it was helping install in Kuwait.

''We want an immediate and unconditional withdrawal,'' an administration official said. ''We'll have to wait and see (about the report). There are still many questions. If there are strings, we need to see what they are.''

Although Bush declined to discuss any specific options, a NATO source said

the United States told allies Friday that it is developing contingency plans to counter any further Iraqi aggression, and ''it was made clear the United States would not stand by'' if world oil supplies are further endangered.

With U.S. warships near the gulf but U.S. military options limited, the White House pushed for a U.N.-sponsored worldwide economic boycott of Iraq and joined the Soviet Union in calling for a cutoff all arm sales to Baghdad.

Bush met at the White House Friday with Prince Bandar, the Saudi ambassador to the United States. Late Thursday, he spoke by telephone with Saudi King Fahd.

''When you look at vital interests to the United States, the relationship with Saudi Arabia and its independence and its freedom, come under the heading of very, very important,'' Bush said before leaving the White House for a weekend visit to his Camp David retreat.

Asked how he would respond to an Iraqi thrust toward Saudi Arabia's rich oil fields, the president said, ''If they ask for specific help, it depends obviously what it is, but I'd be inclined to help in any way we possibly can.''

''It's that serious,'' Bush said. ''All you have to do is look at the energy requirements of the world, plus the direct violation of international law'' by Iraqi forces directed by President Saddam Hussein.

Bush, who said he would meet with top advisers again Saturday, told reporters, ''The status quo is unacceptable and further expansion would be even more unacceptable.''

''All options are open - economic and otherwise,'' he said.

As for reports Saddam would withdraw the troops within a few days, Bush snapped, ''Well, let's see him haul them out right now, then.''

The State Department said it had heard reports that Iraq promised to pull out of Kuwait Sunday, but had not been able to confirm it independently.

Just hours after the Kuwait invasion Thursday, Bush imposed a trade embargo against Iraq and froze all Baghdad assets in the United States. As a precautionary measure, he also froze Kuwaiti assets.

Reminded Friday that economic sanctions have had little effect in resolving other trouble spots, such as Panama, Bush said, ''I didn't say they would work, but we are putting them out there, and we're going to do everything we can to see that they do work.''

The Persian Gulf crisis is certain to have economic repercussions in the United States. White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater predicted gasoline pump prices may jump in the short term by six to seven cents a gallon due to disruptions in supply.

Fitzwater said it is difficult to make long-term predictions on the impact on consumers. But he said, ''The possibility of extreme damage is great. It is a large concern. It is a growing concern.''

About half of the oil used in the United States comes from the Persian Gulf, although the Energy Department said Friday that current U.S. and worldwide supplies are high.

Compounding U.S. concerns was the disappearance of 14 American oil workers in Kuwait. The administration said it could not confirm reports they had been seen with Iraqi forces, but pressed Baghdad for answers.

Bush said, ''We have no reports of Americans being held against their will '' but, ''that is a matter of importance to us.''

On the second day of Iraq's occuputation of Kuwait, Iraqi troops moved within five to 10 miles of the border of Saudi Arabia.

''We don't know what their intentions or motives are,'' Fitzwater said. ''But clearly the actions of Iraq, at this point, indicate a ruthlessness and disregard for international law that must make us concerned about all the countries in the region and their security.''

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#90215u2130 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2809.65	off	54.95
20 Trans	1039.05	off	39.23
15 Utils	209.70	off	2.39
65 Stocks	989.32	off	23.06

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#90215u2146 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - The jury in the trial of Mayor Marion Barry completed its first full day of deliberations Friday and planned to meet again Saturday in an effort to reach a verdict on 14 cocaine and perjury counts.

The jurors deliberated 6 1/2 hours Friday after getting final instructions and meeting for about 40 minutes Thursday afternoon.

The panel of nine women and three men, sequestered since June 18, opted to deliberate for four more hours on Saturday rather than take the weekend off, said U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson.

The identities of the jurors - 10 blacks and two whites - were revealed Thursday from a pool of 18 jurors and alternates who sat through more than six weeks of testimony.

Barry spent Friday afternoon at Catholic University with high school students from across the city who serve as representatives of the Marion Barry Youth Leadership Institute.

''I feel fantastic,'' said Barry, who refused to comment further on the case.

Jurors sent a note to Jackson late Friday asking to review an exhibit concerning government witness Doris Crenshaw, whose testimony dealt with the 12th of the 14 counts.

He also said jurors could come into the courtroom to look at a large magnetic chart on which prosecutors had detailed dates of Barry's alleged drug use with 10 government witnesses, who said during the nine-week trial that Barry used cocaine or obtained the drug in 20 homes, 15 hotels, four boats and two government offices in the District of Columbia, Atlanta, the Virgin Islands and the Bahamas, dating to 1983.

Barry, 54, is charged with three felony counts of perjury, 10 misdemeanor counts of cocaine possession and a single misdemeanor count of conspiracy to possess cocaine. If convicted of all counts, he could be sentenced to a maximum 26 years in prison and fined $1.85 million.

Defense attorney R. Kenneth Mundy said he believed jurors would be relocated after a federal drug sting operation Thursday night went awry in the suburban Maryland parking lot of the hotel where the jurors secretly had been sequestered.

Law enforcement officials, using helicopters and police on the ground, searched around the hotel for three hours Thursday night and Friday before calling off the search.

The target of the sting, a man wanted in a drug case, was not captured.

Peter Gruden, a special agent with the Drug Enforcement Administration, said the location of the sting was ''purely coincidental.''

Jackson said he had been assured jurors were ''oblivious'' to the activities, but Mundy said he feared it could have prejudiced the jury.

One of the counts against Barry stemmed from a Jan. 18 FBI drug sting at a Washington hotel.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - President Bush announced Friday he is nominating Gordon L. Streeb, a career diplomat, to be Ambassdor to Zambia.

Streeb, senior inspector in the Office of Inspector General at the State Department, would succeed Ambassador Jeffrey Davidow.

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(AUG. 4) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

College

The NCAA rejected the University of Maryland's appeal of sanctions placed on its men's basketball program in March. The NCAA gave Maryland three years' probation and forbid the Terrapins from appearing in postseason play for two years and from appearing on live television for one year.

Gambling

Oregon is crying foul over its sports lottery, the only one of its kind in the nation. An amendment to a crime bill in the House of Representatives carries a provision that effectively would ban Oregon's Sports Action game for betting on pro football and basketball. Rep. Les AuCoin, D-Ore., says he was not told about the matter. The NBA has filed suit to stop the lottery.

Hockey

Hartford Whalers right wing Kevin Dineen underwent minor knee surgery this week. He is expected to be fully ready for the Sept. 7 start of training camp.

Law

A jury awarded Philadelphia Phillies infielder Randy Ready and his family $24.7 million, ruling a physician prescribed diet pills that caused the player's wife to have a disabling heart attack. The lawsuit against Vincenta Yap of Milwaukee alleged that Dorene Ready, now 27, in 1986 sought help in losing weight from the doctor, who prescribed ionamin, an appetite suppressant. She later suffered a heart attack and now is a spastic quadriplegic with permanent brain damage.

Olympics

The president of Kuwait's National Olympic Committee was shot to death trying to prevent Iraqi troops from entering the palace. Sheikh Fahad al Ahmad al Sabah is the youngest brother of the ruling emir, Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah. The ruling emir fled to Saudi Arabia as the invasion was beginning. His son reportedly died at the palace where some of the heaviest fighting took place.

Sailing

Florence Arthaud of France, sailing in her 60-foot Jeanneau trimaran Pierre I, trimmed more than a day and a half off the record for the fastest Atlantic crossing from West to East. Arthaud completed the crossing in 9 days, 21 hours, 42 minutes.

Soccer

Want a souvenir from last month's World Cup? The field at Rome's Olympic Stadium has been chopped into 306,000 pieces by a West German company. A patch of grass will sell for $100. ... The English League has forbidden players on the fourth division Scarborough club to wear a skull and cross bones insignia on their jerseys. However, the league does not object to the wording ''Black Death Vodka - drink in peace.''

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(AUG. 6) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Suspended				
Perini Investment Properties				
Stock Split				
Network General Corp - 2-for-1				
Reverse Stock Split				
Jean Philippe Fragrances - 1-for-2.5				
Warrantech Corp - 1-for-10				
Stock				
Mars Graphic Svcs	..	10PC	9-17	8-24
Increased				
Flowers Industries	Q	.16	8-31	8-17
Mission West Prop	..	.10	8-31	8-13

RLI Corp	Q	.11	10-15	9-28
Reduced				
Coachmen Industries	Q	.05	9-13	8-23
Emco Ltd	Q	.05	10-31	9-21
Extra				
Allen Organ	..	.02	9-7	8-24
Distribution				
Dover Regional Fncl	..	.07	8-31	8-13
Sabine Royalty Trust	..	.1066	8-29	8-15

Usual				
Aim Strategic Incm Fd	M	.08	8-23	8-13
Allen Organ	Q	.10	9-7	8-24
ASA Ltd	Q	.75	8-24	8-17
Atlanta Gas Light Co	Q	.49	9-1	8-17
CCNB Corp	Q	.20	9-15	9-1
Comstock Ptrs SFI	..	.0666	8-31	8-17
Fay's Inc	Q	.05	10-12	9-28
Haverty Furniture	..	.09 1/2	8-24	8-14
Haverty Furniture A	..	.09	8-24	8-14
Lincoln NC Rlty Fund	Q	.15	9-5	8-16
Merry-Go-Round Ent	..	.02 1/2	8-31	8-17
Middleby Corp	Q	.02	9-15	8-22
Pulaski Furniture	..	.12	9-14	8-31
Scotsman Industries	Q	.02 1/2	10-15	9-28
Selective Insur Group	Q	.26	9-1	8-15
Temple-Inland Inc	..	.20	9-14	8-31
Timken Co	Q	.25	9-10	8-20
Total Petro NA Ltd	Q	.20	9-20	8-31
Universal Corp	..	.37	11-1	10-1
Zurn Industries Inc	Q	.19	10-15	9-14

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - The Dow Jones industrials averted disaster Friday but still fell sharply to cap a volatile week of trading, with the lion's share of the losses coming in the final two days after Iraq invaded Kuwait.

The Dow industrial average plunged 54.95 Friday to close at 2809.65, losing 88.86 points, or 3.1 percent, on the week.

It was the second largest weekly loss this year. Similarly, the Dow's intraday plummet of more than 100 points Friday marked the second time this had happened since last October's ''mini-crash.''

Of the broad market indexes, Standard & Poor's 500-stock index lost 8.58 to end the week at 344.86 and the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 4.51 to close the week at 188.82.

Declines pounded advances 1,389-595 among the 2,183 issues traded this week. Big Board volume totaled 1,042,535,030 shares, compared with 858,623,940 a week earlier and 912,113,600 shares a year ago.

Stocks closed mixed Monday and Tuesday and slightly lower Wednesday. The finaltwo days, however, saw prices plunge in the heaviest trading since the aftermath October after news broke that Iraq's troops invaded Kuwait before dawn Thursday.

Baghdad seized control of its smaller neighbor hours after talks between the two Persian Gulf nations collapsed over Iraq's oil and territorial claims.

The news sent prices for oil, the dollar and gold - a traditional safe haven for money - surging. But Treasury bonds and stocks tumbled because of the inflationary implications of higher oil prices.

The Dow seemed headed for a debacle at mid-afternoon Friday but managed to claw its way back from a loss of more than 123 points at 2 p.m. to close down 55 points. But the average ended the week at its lowest point since May 11, when it stood at 2801.58.

The average turned sharply downward amid rumors that Iraqi troops in Kuwait were within miles of the Saudi border, but prices rebounded when Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said Baghdad had assured Moscow it would pull out the Iraqi troops ''very shortly.''

The Dow's plunge triggered a new NYSE ''circuit-breaker'' that went into effect Tuesday. It requires traders to refrain from using computerized program selling that would destabilize the market when the Dow falls 50 points or more.

Analysts also blamed stocks' weakness on news released Friday morning that the U.S. civilian jobless rate jumped to 5.5 percent in July from 5.2 percent in June - the worst showing in two years. The number of non-farm jobs plummeted.

Some analysts, after examining the data, said the economy may be on the verge of falling into a recession.

''The real fear is that we'll be caught between higher oil prices and a slowing economy,'' said Tom Gallagher, managing director in charge of capital commitment at Oppenheimer & Co.

The invasion of Kuwait ''could have serious implications for oil prices. You just can't tell. That's the scary part about it. He's like a current day Hitler,'' said Gallagher, referring to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

Gallagher said that for now, at least, it seems the bears have won: ''It's hard to make a case for a bull market when you have to be concerned about oil, the economy and a business slowdown.''

Other analysts agreed the market has plenty to worry about.

''If you're trying to think of a hard combination for the market to handle high inflation and interest rates on the one hand and a slow economy and earnings on the other are about as good a one-two punch as you could imagine,'' said Hugh Johnson, chief economist at First Albany Corp. in Albany, N.Y.

Johnson said the anemic job data mean that weakness in the economy and incorporate earnings that characterized the second quarter has ''moved into the third quarter.

''It means the rise in oil prices, the troubling rate of inflation and high long-term interest rates are going to persist into August and September. We can expect a high producer price and consumer price index for both of those months.''

Johnson did not downplay the events in the Mideast, however, saying that they obviously overshadowed even the dramatic economic news released Friday.

On the trading floor this week, Chevron was the most active issue, up 1 1/2 to 78 3/4 as oil stocks rallied on the sharp rise in oil prices.

Wal-Mart Stores followed, off 1 1/4 to 30 3/8. Exxon was third, rallying 3 7/8 to 53 1/8.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T was off 1/4 to 36, IBM tumbled 3 1/4 to 108 1/8, Texaco jumped 3 1/8 to 64 5/8 and Boeing sank 5 1/4 to 54.

On the American Stock Exchange, the Amex Market Value index fell 8.86 to close Friday at 346.63. Declines led advances 633-232 among the 1,013 issues traded.

Amex volume totaled 80,982,455 shares, compared with 68,855,845 traded a week earlier and 66,827,135 traded in the same week a year ago.

Echo Bay Mines led the Amex actives, up 3/4 to 13 5/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index plunged

25.13 to end the week at 417.46.

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MILWAUKEE (AUG. 3) UPI - A jury Friday awarded Philadelphia Phillies infielder Randy Ready and his family $24.7 million, ruling a physician prescribed diet pills that caused the player's wife to have a disabling heart attack.

The ruling in the eight-week trial involving the former Milwaukee Brewer is believed to be the largest personal injury award in Wisconsin history.

Ready's attorney, Dean Laing, said the largest judgment previously was $16.9 million regarding personal injury and $9.9 million in medical malpractice.

The lawsuit against Vincenta Yap of Milwaukee alleged that Dorene Ready, now 27, in 1986 sought help in losing weight from the doctor, who prescribed ionamin, an appetite suppressant. She later suffered a heart attack and now is a spastic quadriplegic with permanent brain damage.

''The money will really be able to help Dorene,'' Laing said. ''They want to give her therapy. She's at a point in her life where she needs this.''

Yap's attorney, Sam Lieb, declined comment and didn't say whether an appeal would be filed. In addition to Yap, the defendants were St. Paul Fire & Casualty Insurance Co., and Wisconsin Patients Corp. Fund.

Laing said Yap still was practicing in Milwaukee, but would be reviewed by the Medical Examining Board. He said the review might not take place ''for a couple years'' and he said he doubted an appeal would be filed.

Yap could not be reached for comment. Ready, who played for the Brewers in 1986, was not immediately available for comment. Dorene Ready was in Milwaukee for the trial, but returned to a nursing home in Del Mar, Calif. Friday.

The jury, which heard eight weeks of testimony in the trial that began June 1, awarded the Readys $19.48 million for medical costs; $4.26 million to Randy Ready for loss of companionship and child care; and $1 million to the couple's three boys.

The jury chose not to award punitive damages.

The Readys received a settlement in a similar case in January against a former Wauwatosa pharmacist over the distribution of the diet pills. They received $160,000 from R. James Bohn, who pleaded guilty earlier in

January to unrelated charges involving prescription drugs. Bohn has surrendered his pharmacist's license.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - The Pentagon says President Bush is reviewing U-S military options amid growing concern that Iraqi troops will invade Saudi Arabia. Possible U-S responses include tactical air strikes in Kuwait, bombing runs in Iraq or blockading Iraqi oil exports in the Persian Gulf. On Capitol Hill, House Armed Services Committee Chairman Les Aspin... a Wisconsin Democrat... urged Bush to- in his words- ''draw a line'' in the sand and warn Iraq that an attack against Saudi Arabia ''means war'' with the United States.

The U-S Customs Service today followed through on presidential orders by confiscating Iraqi oil and other imports. A shipment of 312-thousand gallons of Iraqi oil bound for Corpus Christi, Texas, was seized yesterday in the first few hours after Bush ordered the embargo. A customs official says the office is under strict orders to make NO exceptions.

The Iraqi raid has triggered economic as well as political shockwaves around the globe. U-S oil prices jumped up as much as 14 cents a gallon as station operators strapped with skyrocketing wholesale costs passed the buck to motorists. The triple A Motor Club is warning against panic buying amid speculation that prices could climb higher yet.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - Connecticut Senator Joseph Lieberman, a Democrat, says there's evidence that the U-S oil companies are engaging in profiteering. Lieberman wants a presidential task force to monitor whether the companies are using the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait as an excuse to raise gas prices. He says that less than 24 hours after the invasion there were troubling signs of the oil industry ''invading the pockets of consumers.''

A report based on a four-month investigation into New York-based Covenant House says that if the charity group's founder had NOT resigned last February, the board of directors would have been required to fire him. The report says the Reverend Bruce Ritter engaged in sexual misconduct with young men living at the charity's shelters for the last 20 years. The probe was ordered by Covenant House's board.

A Canadian government representative says officials are close to a preliminary agreement in their standoff with Mohawk Indians at two reserves in Quebec. The representative says an agreement that would pave the way for talks aimed at ending the lengthy armed standoff may be

announced soon. Both sides in the dispute had set conditions to be met before any talks began.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - Iraqi invasion forces in Kuwait approached the border with Saudi Arabia Friday and reportedly secured Kuwait's vital oil-shipping facilities, but Iraq sought to dampen fears of further military action by claiming it will begin pulling troops from the conquered Persian Gulf emirate by Sunday.

Iraq also indicated it would ensure the new regime it installed in Kuwait would remain in place and warned other countries not to interfere.

Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency, in a dispatch from Baghdad, quoted a spokesman from Iraq's ruling Revolutionary Command Council as saying ''the Iraqi troops would start withdrawing from Kuwait as of Sunday in accordance'' with an unspecified timetable.

''We warn against the intervention in the affairs of either Iraq or Kuwait. Any group, no matter how big or small it is, would be firmly confronted,'' the spokesman said. ''The relationship between Iraq and Kuwait in the future will be determined only by the people of Iraq and Kuwait.''

The official did not directly mention an Iraqi-backed government Baghdad claimed it was helping install in Kuwait.

The White House said it would ''wait and see'' if Iraq would actually follow through with the withdrawal.

''There are still many questions,'' White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said. ''If there are strings, we need to see what they are.''

Asked about reports that Baghdad may leave behind an Iraqi-backed government, Fitzwater said, ''We want an immediate and unconditional withdrawal.''

Earlier, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze told reporters in Moscow Iraq had assured the Kremlin that it would pull out the troops ''very shortly.''

U.S. officials said 14 American oil company employees were missing from their posts near the Kuwaiti-Iraqi border and were believed to be under Iraqi control.

In Washington, Iraq's ambassador to the United States, Mohamed al-Mashat,

denied allegations that Iraqi troops were massing to attack Saudi Arabia or that his country held any of the missing Americans.

The Arab world remained divided over Iraq's action, but the United States and the Soviet Union issued an unprecedented joint condemnation after the invasion, and called on all nations to stop arms shipments to Baghdad.

''The Soviet Union and the United States reiterate our call for the immediate Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait,'' said a statement released by Shevardnadze and Secretary of State James Baker, who cut short a visit to Mongolia to travel to Moscow.

King Hussein of Jordan met with Saddam in Baghdad and said the Iraqi strongman agreed to a mini-summit Sunday with him, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, the deposed emir of Kuwait and Saudi Arabian King Fahd bin Abdul Aziz.

Hussein said he hoped the meeting would lead to an Arab solution to the crisis without outside interference. ''I believe that it would be terribly wrong and the results could be devastating for them (the United States) if they intervene,'' he said.

World leaders imposed various retaliatory economic measures to censure Saddam's action, which caused panic-buying of oil, sent U.S. dollars and precious metals soaring and caused precipitous drops on stock exchanges. The price of crude oil surged above $25 a barrel, the level oil-dependent Iraq had sought in diplomatic skirmishes with Kuwait and other Arab countries before the invasion.

The United States redeployed eight warships, including an aircraft carrier from the Indian Ocean to reinforce seven vessels in the Persian Gulf. President Bush said Friday: ''All options are open.''

A NATO source in the Belgian capital said: ''The United States informed its allies it is considering contingency plans, contingency actions, in the event Iraq expands the hostilities beyond Kuwait.''

The State Department said it believes Iraq's troops are within 5 to 10 miles of Kuwait's border with Saudi Arabia. British and U.S. oil sources also reported the Iraqi invasion force had advanced toward the Saudi border.

A Western diplomat in Cairo reported that Baghdad was also mustering a force of an unspecified size along its own border with Saudi Arabia.

The superior Iraqi invasion force swept aside Kuwait's outgunned 20,000-strong military, and on Friday moved beyond Kuwait city to secure ports and oil-shipping facilities. Initial casualty reports from Kuwaiti

diplomats indicated about 500 fatalities, among them the emir's brother.

Egypt's Middle Eastern News Agency said there was some resistance Friday morning by forces loyal to Kuwaiti Emir Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah, who has fled to Saudi Arabia. It said intense fighting had occured around Kuwait city's Shuwair district and the Defense Ministry in the Ahmadi area.

Explosions were reported near barracks on the city's outskirts, but reports indicated a one-way barrage of fire from Iraqis equipped with armor and backed by air strikes.

The news agency and diplomats based in Cairo reported combat at the two key oil tanker ports of El Shwaikh and El Ahmatty, which apparently had fallen into Iraqi hands.

Egyptian Foreign Ministry sources said Iraq was massing troops at el Ahmadi, a Persian Gulf port that is about 50 miles from the border of a neutral oil-extraction zone administered by Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.

Off the battlefield, Iraq faced mounting diplomatic opposition.

Fourteen of the Arab League's 22 member nations meeting in Cairo condemned Iraq's aggression against Kuwait and called for an immediate withdrawl of Baghdad's invasion force, officials said.

Hundreds of Kuwaitis had gathered outside the site of the Arab League meeting in Cairo. They cheered and chanted ''Death to Saddam'' when they heard of the statement issued after more than four hours of talks.

The crisis rendered open the underlying divisions of the Arab world.

Earlier Friday, Egypt - Iraq's most powerful ally in the region - broke its silence and issued a call for an immediate Iraqi pullout.

In addition to Egypt, Algeria, Morocco and Lebanon have condemned the invasion, but Iraq has been openly supported by Libya, Jordan and Yemen, and privately backed by Sudan and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Western nations sought a collective effort to ban trade with Iraq and bring punitive sanctions against the Middle East's greatest military power. A U.S. package proposes forbidding all exports to Iraq except medical supplies, and banning Iraqi oil.

Japan, Italy and West Germany joined Britain, France and the United States in freezing the offshore Kuwaiti assets to protect them from Iraq.

Bush said that if Iraqi troops drive through conquered Kuwait into Saudi Arabia, ''I would be inclined to help in any way we possibly can. It's

that serious.''

Saudi Arabia is the major Middle East exporter of oil to the United States and is on tiny Kuwait's southern border along the Persian Gulf.

A State Department spokesman said 14 Americans - employees of American oil companies in fields near the Iraqi-Kuwaiti border - were known to be missing and believed to be in the custody of Iraqi troops.

Bush has said if Americans were rounded up by Iraqi forces, ''it would affect the United States in a dramatic way. I view as a fundamental responsibility of my presidency protecting American citizens.''

Two of the missing Americans were reported as Charles Amos, 59, whose family is in Harmony, Texas, and Rainard Walterscheid, 52, of Jacksboro, Texas. Both men worked for Santa Fe International Corp.'s Alhambra, Calif. subsidiary.

Walterscheid's daughter, Paula Czap, of Lawton, Okla., said her father ''was talking on the phone to an official from Santa Fe Drilling Co. when he looked up and said, 'The soldiers are here.' Then the line went dead.''

Santa Fe Drilling Co. officials calling back finally reached an Iraqi soldier who ''said they were putting them in a car and taking them away.''

Amos's son, David, said in interviews that witnesses saw the workers ''being led by Iraqi troops'' across the border, and said, ''At that time, they didn't appear to have been abused or any real force used to force them across.''

Telephone links to Kuwait city were severed overnight Thursday and Iraqi occupation forces closed the nation's news service, stopped newspaper deliveries and took over state-run radio and television stations.

At least two radio stations remained in the hands of Kuwaitis, who broadcast clandestine messages calling on all patriots to resist and asked how the rest of the Arab world could refuse their appeals for assistance.

Baghdad Radio said the Iraq-backed provisional government of Kuwait had seized the assets of Kuwait's royal family, which it accused of ''plundering'' the wealth of the people.

In Damascus, Syria, Kuwaiti Ambassador Abdel Aziz al Jassem said a government-in-exile had been created that would have its Foreign Ministry inside the Kuwaiti Embassy in Riyadh.

Kuwait's ambassador to the United Nations, Mohammad Abulhasan, said, ''There is only one government for Kuwait,'' referring to the emir's rule

from outside the country.

Iraq's dispute with Kuwait began with Saddam's demands that the emirate reduce its production of crude oil to allow higher oil prices, which Iraq requires to rebuild an economy left cash-strapped after an eight-year war with Iran.

He then demanded $2.4 billion in compensation for oil he claimed Kuwait stole from a disputed border reserve.

Kuwait has considerable oil reserves and extensive facilities to ship the commodity through the Persian Gulf. Compared to Saudi Arabia's 7.5 million barrels a day production capacity, a combined Iraq-Kuwaiti production would reach an estimated 5.4 million barrels.

Iraq moves its oil through overland pipes across Saudi Arabia and Turkey, and has not been able to revive its gulf port at Basra because Iran is refusing to redredge a vital waterway until a formal cease-fire is signed.

The United States and Saudi Arabia have had close ties for more than a half-century and U.S. officials have cultivated relations with the Saudis by supplying advanced military equipment, such as AWACS reconnaissance planes.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 3) UPI - The Treasury Department Friday night lifted a ban on Iraqi oil already bound for the United States but said other shipments from the renegade state would be seized by the U.S. Customs Service.

The action also cleared the way for Kuwaiti oil already on the high seas to be imported, but appeared to provide a way for the government to block oil Iraq may attempt to export from Kuwaiti fields seized in the military strike.

The department's decision follows the seizure Thursday of 312,000 barrels of Iraqi crude oil from the Liberian-registered Hellespont Dignity by customs agents in Corpus Christi, Texas.

Federal authorities had also planned to board three ships waiting to enter the Port of Houston believed to be carrying Iraqi oil.

''That (oil) will now be permitted to be offloaded,'' said Cheryl Crispen, a Treasury Department spokeswoman.

Earlier Friday, the Customs Service said the trade embargo, ordered by

President Bush in the hours after the invasion, applied to all Iraqi oil, including that already under contract and bound for the United States.

''No exception will be made,'' the agency said in a terse statement.

But the Treasury Department later announced Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil loaded before 5 a.m. EDT Thursday - when the embargo took effect - and ''intended for ultimate delivery to the United States'' can be imported before Oct. 1 at 11:59 a.m. EDT. The same applies for oil for which a formal ''bill of lading'' was applied for prior to the start of hostilities.

The Treasury Department also said that ''any balance not yet paid to Iraq or Kuwait for (these shipments of oil) must be paid into a blocked account in the United States.''

Iraq is the sixth largest supplier of oil to the United States, according to Energy Department statistics.

In the first five months of the year, it provided 8 percent of all oil imports. In 1989, it provided 6 percent of oil imports, or about 450,000 barrels per day, the Energy Department said.

The government said the United States currently has adequate supplies of oil and petroleum products and that inventories are high worldwide.

After Bush established the trade embargo and froze Iraqi assets, the Customs Service said ''ordered that inspectors seize all imports and allow no entry of goods or services of Iraqi origin, including crude and refined petroleum products.''

The Hellespont Dignity ''happened to be in port with the oil when the crisis hit,'' Coast Guard Capt. Anthony Alejandro said in Corpus Christi. ''Since this vessel's oil originated in Iraq, customs made the decision ... to just let them transfer the cargo ashore.''

The government also said that all Iraqi, as well as Kuwaiti, ships and cargo are nonetheless subject to inspection.

''If oil comes in from Kuwait we want to make sure its from Kuwait and not Iraq,'' said Edward Kittredge, a spokesman for the Customs Service. ''We want to make sure Iraq is not putting its oil on Kuwaiti ships.''

In retaliation for Bush's order, Iraq stopped interest payments on billions of dollars in U.S. government loans to protest the ''unjust decision,'' its acting finance minister, Mohammed Mehdi Saleh, said Thursday in Baghdad.

The Customs Service also said it instructed its field offices nationwide

to block U.S. exports to Iraq, with the exception of emergency relief supplies, medical supplies and published materials.

In addition to penalizing Iraq, Bush's order froze all Kuwaiti government assets in the United States to prevent Iraq from gaining control. Other nations, including Britain, France and Japan, have taken similar steps.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 3) UPI - Oil price increases resulting from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait could appreciably boost the U.S. inflation rate, slow economic growth even further and handicap the Federal Reserve in its effort to keep the country out of a full-blown recession, economists said Friday.

They said the full economic impact will depend, though, on how high the price of oil rises as a result of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's rampage. That, in turn, depends on how soon the crisis is defused and how oil output is affected.

In other words, all bets are off.

''It certainly throws everything into a cocked hat, doesn't it?'' said Jerry Jordan, chief economist for Los Angeles-based First Interstate Bank.

''Before, I would have said with conviction (that) inflation, interest rates will be lower in 1991 than in 1990, with unemployment moving down,'' said Jordan. ''This event could screw that up.''

Oil prices had settled late Friday at around $24.60 a barrel, up from about $20 a barrel before the Kuwait invasion.

But Iraq's new role as the policeman ready to enforce price hikes dictated by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries raised the specter of an oil shock like those seen in 1973-74 and 1979. The first followed the Arab-Israeli war of 1973, the second the shah of Iran's overthrow.

In 1974, oil prices quadrupled to $12 a barrel. In 1979, they doubled to $36 a barrel. Jordan said the first oil shock added about 4 points to the inflation rate, driving it up to 12 percent.

''We cannot at this time rule out that we're in the beginning of another politically initiated oil shock, a supply disruption,'' said Jordan. The United States is better prepared today, having built up a strategic oil reserve, but a period of price instability could still result.

''An oil shock,'' Jordan said, ''gives us the worst of all worlds - both

higher inflation and higher unemployment than we would have had.''

Some economists tried to quantify the increased inflation that could result.

Senior economist Michael Englund of financial researchers MMS International said a $23-a-barrel oil price would mean a 0.7 percent inflation rise in August and an increase at nearly that rate in September, producing a year-end rate of 5.8 percent.

Englund said he and his colleagues had expected inflation to come in at just above 5 percent for 1990, assuming that oil prices would end up a little above $20 a barrel, so a $3 increase would translate into 1/2 percentage point more inflation.

Taking a worse-case scenario, Englund said that if Iraq managed to push oil prices up to $30 a barrel U.S. inflation could top 6 percent.

He said it was harder to estimate how the economy's growth could be affected.

''We would expect the economy would be hurt by higher energy prices,'' he said. But this could also spark a resurgence of activity in the oil-dependent states of Texas, Louisiana and Alaska, Englund said.

Economist Roger Brinner of DRI/McGraw-Hill in Lexington, Mass., calculated a slightly different inflation response.

''All told, you might get another 0.5 percent inflation out of a $2 (a barrel) increase,'' Brinner said. ''Right now, you're for $5 - if it doesn't settle down, that's the burden the economy will have to bear.''

But Brinner minimized the effects of costlier oil on a soft economy in which the jobless rate rose in July - well before Saddam started rattling his saber - to a national rate of 5.5 percent, against June's 5.2 percent.

''Right now, there's a kind of hysteria prevailing,'' he said, noting the main damage would be a loss of purchasing power due to higher energy costs. Thiscould take 1/4 percentage point off the national growth rate, according to Brinner.

''There is no need for panic to set in over a $5 increment per barrel for oil,'' Brinner said. ''This is the equivalent of a 12 cent (a gallon) gasoline tax.''

But the Iraqi threat could condition consumer and business attitudes and sharply curtail their spending and investment.

If the situation deteriorated and there was a quantum leap in oil prices, the 1970s oil-shock scenario could be repeated, Jordan said.

Energy-intensive basic industries and transportation would be affected most. ''Boeing gets hit, McDonnell-Douglas gets hit, all the airlines, recreation, travel, tourism - they all get hit,'' Jordan said.

But, once again, the final impact would depend on how high oil prices go. Escalation to $30 a barrel ''could knock us negative,'' Jordan said, meaning that the gross national product would start contracting rather than expanding.

Higher oil costs would exacerbate the U.S. trade deficit. ''We import more than half our oil,'' Jordan said, ''so this means we have to export more bushels of wheat to pay for the same amount of oil.''

They would also make things trickier for Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, who has been trying to reconcile lower interest rates for economic growth with persistent inflation.

''If the Fed would otherwise have been inclined to ease (credit policy), I think that they'll (now) be in a go-slow, steady-as-you-go mode - no sudden moves, but err on the side of tightness'' to avoid unleashing inflation, Jordan said.

David Hale, chief economist of Kemper Financial Services in Chicago, was of a slightly different opinion. ''My impression of the Fed is that there was a bias toward ease before the Kuwait events,'' he said. ''The bias is still there, but there is a cloud because of inflation.''

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(AUG. 3) UPI - (Lipper revises indexes and fund averages)

LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close

Aug. 2, 1990

Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	490.36	up 0.94	off 2.24
Growth & Income	755.82	off 0.28	off 1.12
Balanced	484.10	off 2.36	off 0.62
Average Fund Performances:			
Capital Appreciation (146)		off 0.33	off 2.54
Growth (260)		up 1.11	off 2.29
Small Co. Growth (83)		up 0.17	off 3.46
Growth & Income (198)		up 0.26	off 1.27

Equity Income (65)		off	2.25	off	0.63
Average 752 Equity		up	0.22	off	2.06
Health/Biotech (9)		up	12.74	off	3.86
Natural Resources (17)		up	6.16	up	3.13
Science & Technology (23)		up	5.05	off	4.37
Specialty/Misc (36)		up	1.01	off	2.13
Utility (15)		off	3.13	up	1.51
Financial Services (10)		off	8.26	off	3.37
Real Estate (5)		off	3.41	off	1.23
Option Income (10)		off	0.46	off	1.06
Global (39)		up	2.73	off	1.09
International (54)		up	4.08	off	0.56
European Region (17)		up	12.77	off	0.17
Pacific Region (18)		off	3.41	off	0.59
Gold Oriented (35)		off	8.81	up	3.90
Average All Equity (1040)		up	0.46	off	1.62
Flexible Portfolio (45)		up	0.89	off	0.77
Global Flexible Port (11)		up	1.12	off	0.17
Balanced (61)		up	1.05	off	0.64
Convertible Security (29)		up	0.26	off	1.24
Mixed Income (14)		up	1.01	up	0.23
Income (4)		off	0.10	up	0.68
World Income (41)		up	6.25	up	1.13
Fixed Income (535)		up	3.04	up	0.83
Average 1780 Funds		up	1.42	off	0.73
Median 1780 Funds		up	2.02	off	0.55
Unmanaged Market Indicators:					
DJ Industrial	2,864.60	up	4.05	off	1.92
S&P 500	351.48	off	0.54	off	1.25
S&P 400	415.29	up	2.92	off	1.43
NYSE Composite	192.36	off	1.37	off	1.13
Amex	352.15	off	6.84	off	1.17

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)
Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - Iraq says it will begin withdrawing troops from Kuwait on Sunday. But in the meantime, Iraqi troops are approaching the border of an increasingly nervous Saudi Arabia. Iraq's U-S ambassador denies allegations that the Iraqi troops are massing for an attack on the Saudis. He also denies charges that 14 U-S oil workers have been taken prisoner in

Kuwait.

The United States is taking its battle against Iraq to the United Nations. U-S Ambassador Thomas Pickering asks that the world body pass what he calls ''all-encompassing sanctions'' against the Iraqis. That would include a trade embargo and and a freeze on military shipments. President Bush has already moved to freeze all Iraqi assets in the United States and to ban all Iraqi imports.

White House and congressional negotiators need to settle their differences to avoid a veto battle over a civil rights bill that cleared the House today. The chamber's version would reverse a series of Supreme Court rulings that narrowed job protections for minorities. The Senate approved a similar measure two weeks ago. The White House opposes the legislation on grounds it contains quotas.

The Senate today voted to reduce U-S military forces stationed in Europe, but to limit those reductions until arms talks clear the way for deeper cuts. The Senate's 1991 defense budget now calls for 50-thousand troops to return home from Europe. The body voted 59-40 to reject an amendment that would have called for a cut of 80-thousand troops.

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#90215u2487 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - The General Accounting Office reports that many water systems... especially in smaller communities... violate drinking water standards. The congressional watchdog agency accuses the Environmental Protection Agency of NOT cracking down on water systems that produce drinking water contaminated with chemicals that cause cancer and other diseases.

Citizens of Trinidad are trying to sort through the rubble of a city that seemed on the brink of falling to Moslem rebels only one week ago. Government authorities say they're rushing emergency aid to Port-of-Spain to relieve serious food and supply shortages. New estimates say last Friday's attempted coup cost 30 lives and BILLIONS of dollars in damages.

Texas health officials say they plan on re-opening Galveston Bay this weekend, more than one week after the bay was closed because of a 500-thousand gallon oil spill. The Galveston Bay Foundation says that... even though the massive spill appears to be evaporating... it will pose a lasting ''invisible'' threat.

NASA officials might scratch a proposed fueling test for the shuttle Columbia in order to move its next mission up a few days. Columbia has a new fuel line to repair the problem that scrapped its May mission. The shuttle is set to be rolled out to the launch pad Thursday. If the August

23rd fueling test is abandoned, Columbia's next launch could come as soon as August 30th.

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#90215u2582 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - The American Bowl series which sends NFL teams to Europe and Asia often has been viewed as a distraction by coaches and players. But this year, the Los Angeles Raiders say they are looking forward to their New Orleans Saints matchup at Britain's Wembley Stadium.

''Its nice. We've had a great time out here,'' Raiders defensive tackle Bob Golic said. ''It's a great chance to break the monotony of training camp day after day.

''We have an opportunity to come out here and work against somebody besides our friends. You start feeling guilty slapping your buddy in the head all the time.''

Raiders Coach Art Shell said he looks upon the game as ''a positive.''

''It an extra game for us,'' Shell said. ''If you check the record of the teams which have played these extra games they have gone on to do well.''

Six of the previous eight teams that have played exhibition games in London have gone on to make the playoffs. The only exceptions have been the 1986 Dallas Cowboys and the 1988 Miami Dolphins.

A near sellout 75,000 crowd is expected Sunday for the game, which will be shown on British television and beamed back to the U.S. by NBC.

At Canton, Ohio, Tom Landry and six players will be inducted Saturday into the Football Hall of Fame.

Landry, who guided the Dallas Cowboys to 20 straight winning seasons and two Superbowl victories, will become only only the fifth modern-era coach to be enshrined into the Hall of Fame.

Landry introduced the ''flex'' defense, multiple offenses, reintroduced the shotgun and spread offense, and helped perfect situation substitutions. Until last year the only coach the Cowboys ever had, Landry won 270 games, more than any other coach except for George Halas and Don Shula.

''When I developed the flex defense (as an assistant with the New York Giants), it was Paul Brown's offense in Cleveland that I was trying to stop,'' Landry said. ''By the time I took over the Cowboys (in 1960), the 4-3 defense was pretty well entrenched. I knew the way to beat it was with

multiple sets and motion.''

Bob Griese, Jack Lambert, Franco Harris, Bob St. Clair, Buck Buchanan, and Ted Hendricks will join Landry for induction honors. The Chicago Bears and Cleveland Browns will play in the Hall of Fame game in Fawcett Stadium following the ceremonies, which are scheduled to begin at 10 a.m EDT.

At Tampa, Fla., Buccaneers rookie linebacker Keith McCants returned to practice Friday after nursing a knee injury and plans to participate in a controlled scrimmage Saturday against the Miami Dolphins.

''My knee feels real good,'' said McCants, a 6-foot-3, 255-pounder from Alabama.''I have to catchup now on the physical part. I'm learning the mental parts of my assignments.''

At Kirtland, Ohio, Brian Holloway, a three-time Pro Bowl offensive lineman with the New England Patriots who retired two years ago, is talking to the Cleveland Browns about making a comeback at the age of 31.

''He's still only 31 years old and he was a great player at one time,'' Browns General Manager Ernie Accorsi said, ''so we decided to give him a look.''

Holloway, who was vice president of the NFL Players Association, was traded by the Patriots to the Los Angeles Raiders in 1987 one day after speaking out against Patriots' management on national television.

At Wilmington, Ohio, the Cincinnati Bengals have a glut of linebackers despite losing long-time starter Reggie Williams to retirement.

The list includes Carl Zander and Joe Kelly, 1989 starters on the inside; first-round draft pick James Francis of Baylor and third rounder Leon White from Miami; Leo Barker, Kevin Walker, Chris Chenault, Craig Ogletree Dan Murry and Ed Brady.

At Austin, Texas, third-round draft pick Jimmie Jones ended his 15-day holdout when the defensive tackle from Miami signed a three-year contract with the Dallas Cowboys.

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#90215u2621 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - Iraq is mopping up after its takeover of Kuwait while trying to ease the fears of an increasingly anxious Saudi Arabia. Iraqi troops are reported to be in control of Kuwait's oil-shipping facilities. But as the troops neared the Saudi border, Iraq also issued claims that it will begin withdrawing the troops Sunday. The White House repeated its demand for an immediate withdrawal and reacted with skepticism to the

Iraqi promise of a withdrawal from Kuwait.

President Bush appeared grim after meeting with national security advisers today. He said any Iraqi moves into Saudi Arabia could bring the United States directly into the fray. Bush said he would be- in his words- ''inclined to help in any way we possibly can'' to stem additional Iraqi aggression.

The top leaders of West and East Germany say their decision today to move up German unification was made in part to offset growing concern about the trouble-plagued East German economy. East German Prime Minister de Maiziere and West German Chancellor Kohl say they hope the earlier October 14th all-German elections will improve employment and productivity in the East.

Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall is reported in stable condition following a fall he suffered while attending a Bar Association convention in Chicago today. A high court spokesman says Marshall flew back to Washington after taking the spill and checked himself into the Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. Marshall... at 82... is the oldest member of the court and a strong voice in the body's crumbling liberal coalition.

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#90215u2626 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - 21 survivors of the Greek cargo ship the S-S Corazon arrived in Portland, Maine, today. They were aboard a Soviet merchant vessel that rescued them three days ago after Hurricane Bertha forced them to abandon their ship in the Atlantic. Six members of the crew died when the ship's keel broke about 400 miles east of New York in high waves wrought by Bertha's 90-mile-an-hour winds.

A new satellite monitoring system is helping the Coast Guard crack down on illegal fishing. U-S officials say the orbiting station helped authorities track an illegal Japanese fishing operation that was working 30 miles outside a boundary in the north Pacific Ocean a few days ago. A National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration spokesman says it's the first time the satellite has worked this well.

Britain's opposition Labor Party seems to be gaining ground against the ruling conservative government of Prime Minister Thatcher. A Gallup Poll shows 48 percent of British voters support the Labor Party... a jump of one percent from only one month ago. The same poll says the Conservatives' popularity fell to a 33 percent approval rating.

Pittsburgh Mayor Sophie Masloff has vetoed legislation to ban cigarette vending machines from public places. The bill is an attempt to keep

cigarettes out of the hands of children, but Masloff says it would create more problems than it would solve. The ban faced a legal battle from tobacco companies, vending companies and retailers. In place of the ban, Masloff suggested such machines be re-rigged to accept tokens only adults can buy.

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#90215u2817 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - Talks are in store between the House and Senate on a civil rights bill. The House today passed a bill that strongly resembles one passed by the upper chamber two weeks ago. President Bush has threatened to veto the civil rights bill if the one that emerges from Congress contains what he considers quotas.

Officials at the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport say authorities evacuated a Delta Air Lines jet with 241 people aboard after receiving a bomb threat against the flight. Airport spokesman Joe Dealey says NO explosive devices were found on the plane.

Federal officials have barred the restart of a nuclear facility 25 miles southwest of Fort Worth. In a letter to officials of the Comanche Peak nuclear plant, the Nuclear Regulatory Agency said it will withhold an O-K to re-start the plant until worker safety issues are addressed.

British Prime Minister Thatcher told government workers in Colorado that recent events in the Middle East indicate continued vigilance is needed to ensure peace. Thatcher said strong defenses rely on governments keeping- in her words- ''technology well-funded.''

The jury deciding the drug and perjury case against Washington Mayor Marion Barry is scheduled to continue its deliberations tomorrow. The panel started its deliberations today, meeting for six and one half hours.

An ultra-orthodox Jewish group in Israel today welcomed 200 Soviet Jewish children who were affected by the Chernobyl nuclear disaster four years ago. The arrival is the first of an expected three-thousand youngsters scheduled to go to Israel for medical treatment and education.

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#90215u2928 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - Iraq today warned foreign governments considering military action they risk retaliation if they doN'T mind their own business. Egypt's semi-official Middle East news agency quoted an Iraqi spokesman as saying any military moves would be- in his words- ''firmly confronted.'' The spokesman also said Iraq plans to take extra precautions to make sure the provisional government it is helping to install in Kuwait remains in

place.

Washington softened its stance on the Iraqi economic embargo today by announcing it would lift a ban of Iraqi oil that is already en route to the United States. The action clears the way for oil already on the high seas to be imported and allows 312-thousand gallons of Iraqi oil seized yesterday by customs agents in Texas to be offloaded. The Treasury Department says Iraq WON'T be paid for the oil until Baghdad withdraws its troops from Kuwait.

House and Senate negotiators reached agreement today on legislation calling for chloro-fluorocarbons and other ozone-destroying chemicals to be phased out. The negotiators are still settling other differences in the House and Senate versions of the new clean air act. Environmentalists cheered today's action, saying it sets a much faster timetable for the elimination of C-F-C's than even world-wide agreements call for.

A Milwaukee jury today awarded the family of major league baseball player Randy Ready 24-point-seven-Million dollars. The panel ruled a doctor who prescribed diet pills for Ready's wife was in part responsible for the heart attack that left her brain-damaged four years ago. It's believed to be the largest personal-injury award in Wisconsin history.

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#90215u2935 08/03/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 3) UPI - The General Accounting Office says problems with the nation's water supply are being overlooked- sometimes deliberately- by federal and state officials. The watchdog arm of Congress says small communities are especially prone to dangerous drinking water because they're being ignored by agencies like the Environmental Protection Agency.

East and West German leaders have set a new, earlier date for unification. East German Prime Minister de Maiziere and West German Chancellor Kohl now say they'd like to see the two countries unite before October 14th all-German elections. The plan to move up unification by six weeks was made in part to revive the East German economy.

NASA officials are debating the pros and cons of scrapping a final fueling test in order to speed up Columbia's next launch. Columbia is scheduled to be rolled out to the launch pad Thursday after having a new fuel line installed to repair a problem that scuttled a May mission. Columbia can go up August 30th- instead of September 5th- if NASA drops the test.

A gas station in Pensacola, Florida, has taken down a sign that stirred a religious skirmish. Joe Cross... the new owner of the Cordova Mall Exxon... says he took over the service station Wednesday and today finally managed to get around to taking down a sign that offered discounts to

Christians. The discount was the target of a series of lawsuits filed by Jewish groups and state prosecutors in 1987.

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#90216b0398 08/04/1990 ~Business Wire
FREMONT, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Vitalink Communications Corp. (NASDAQ:VITA), a leading LAN internetworking company, announced Saturday that Michael Yost has been appointed vice president of operations effective Aug. 6.

Formerly the vice president of manufacturing for Vitalink, Yost's responsibilities have been expanded to include both manufacturing and engineering.

According to Donald J. Herman, chairman and chief executive officer of Vitalink, ''Mike Yost's history of demonstrated strong and classical management capabilities make him the ideal executive for combining these two corporate functions.''

Herman went on to say, ''We view this as a very positive and logical union of Vitalink's product design and production functions.''

Prior to his promotion, Yost, who has been with Vitalink since 1983, held the position of vice president of manufacturing for approximately six years.

Vitalink also announced today that John H. Hart, former vice president of engineering, has resigned to pursue other interests.

Founded in 1980, Vitalink Communications Corp. manufactures and markets a complete family of local area network (LAN) internetworking systems including Ethernet and token ring bridges and bridge/routes, and a comprehensive network management system.

Over 13,000 systems are installed worldwide, reflecting the company's premier position as a supplier of advanced internetworking systems used to build large, multivendor computer networks.

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#90216d0330 08/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD, (AUG 4) - Iraq announced Saturday that the provisional government installed in Kuwait following Thursday's invasion was headed by Colonel Ala'a Hussein Ali.

The announcement was made by the official INA news agency in a dispatch dated from Kuwait.

Col. Ali was named commander-in-chief of Kuwait's armed forces, minister of defense and acting interior minister, the agency said.

The new government includes eight other members, all military figures.

The new provisional government, which Iraq said had been installed Thursday, anounced the overthrow of Kuwait's ruling Al Sabah family headed by Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, which it denounced and accused of corruption and mismanagement.

Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait at dawn Thursday after the collapse of Iraqi-Kuwaiti talks in Saudi Arabia on Wednesday over a bitter dispute about oil production quotas and border markings.

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#90216d9620 08/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEL AVIV, (AUG 4) - Iraqi military units reportedly crossed Saturday into Saudi Arabia, advancing into an oilfield in a demilitarized zone, according to Israel's army radio quoting senior Kuwaiti government officials.

Several neutral zones exist along the borders between the Arab oil producing states. The zones are very rich in oil and have long been disputed between the adjoining states.

These countries have therefore agreed to demilitarise such zones and share the petroleum profits from these areas.

By advancing into a neutral oil producing zone, Iraq was said to have for the first time violated Saudi interests.

The Egyptian news agency Mena reported from Baghdad that the Iraqi News Agency had denied reports of Iraqi troops advancing into Saudi Arabia.

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#90216d9650 08/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD, (AUG 4) - Iraq on Saturday denied an Egyptian newspaper report that 120 Iraqi officers had been executed for refusing to take part in the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

An official spokesman, quoted by the Iraqi News Agency, said the report was "without foundation" and based on "dubious sources that want to harm the

image of Iraq and its leader, Saddam Hussein."

The semi-official Egyptian daily Al-Ahram, citing its Baghdad correspondent,

reported that the executions were carried out Friday after being ordered by a military court and approved by President Hussein.

The officers had refused to join the Iraqi invasion force on Thursday, saying nothing could justify an attack on "brother Arab countries," according to Al-Ahram.

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#90216d9740 08/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS, (AUG. 4) - Iraq's decision to conditionally withdraw its troops from Kuwait is "a good decision" which should remove the possibility of foreign intervention, Arab League Secretary General Chedli Klibi said Saturday.

Iraq announced Friday that it will begin to withdraw its forces from Kuwait beginning Sunday if there are "no threats against the security of the country or Kuwait" in the meantime, and if the Al-Sabah government is excluded from power.

The announcement by Iraq is "a good beginning which should facilitate the organisation of an Arab summit," Mr.Chedli said in an interview on Radio France Internationale.

The decision should remove "the spectre of foreign intervention" because there is "no longer any reason" for such intervention which "we have never wanted and which would have been a complication," Mr. Chedli said.

"The Iraqis are serious people," Mr. Klibi said. "If they have undertaken to evacuate Kuwait, they will do it."

Mr. Klibi said a proposed Arab mini-summit to bring Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iraq, Jordan and Egypt to the negotiating table Sunday in Jeddah should achieve "the evacuation of Kuwait" and a negotiated settlement "acceptable to the two parties" and "conforming to Arab League regulations."

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#90216d9860 08/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING, (AUG 4) - China summoned Iraq's ambassador to the Foreign Affairs Ministry here Saturday and urged his country to pull its troops out of Kuwait "as early as possible without preconditions," the official New China News Agency (NCNA) said.

Vice Foreign Minister Yang Fuchang told Ambassador Mohammed Amin al-Jaff that China felt deep regret over Thursday's invasion of the tiny Gulf emirate.

"Iraq and Kuwait are two fraternal Arab countries, and disputes between them should be resolved through friendly consultations," Mr. Yang said.

"The Chinese government hopes Iraq would respond to the mediation of the Arab League and the calls of the international community, and withdraw its troops from Kuwait as early as possible without preconditions," he said.

The statement was also delivered separately to Kuwait's charge d'affaires here, Shukri Naser al-Shraim, NCNA said.

He also told Agence France-Presse that he promptly conveyed the message to the Emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, who took refuge in Saudi Arabia when Iraqi tanks rolled into his capital.

Iraq's ambassador could not be reached for comment.

The Gulf crisis was also raised in a meeting Saturday between foreign minister Qian Qichen and his counterpart from the Seychelles, an island republic in the Indian Ocean which is pushing for a zone of peace in its region.

China is "gravely concerned" about Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and feels the conflict should be resolved through inter-Arab efforts, Mr. Qian told Danielle de Saint Jorre, the Seychelles' minister of planning and external relations.

"To rely on force is futile," NCNA quoted him as saying.

Mr. Qian also recalled that China voted for a U.N. Security Council emergency resolution Thursday that condemned Iraq's invasion and demanded the immediate withdrawal of its forces.

China, one of five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, has diplomatic ties with Iraq and Kuwait, and established full relations with Saudi Arabia just 11 days before the Iraqi invasion.

It was also a major source of weapons for Iraq, as well as Iran, in the Gulf War of 1980-88.

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#90216d9910 08/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME, (AUG. 4) - European Economic Community (EEC) officials decided here

Saturday to impose an "immediate embargo" on imports of crude oil from Iraq and Kuwait, Italian officials said.

The oil embargo was among six measures adopted by foreign ministry officials from the 12 EEC member countries in the wake of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on Thursday, they said.

The EEC officials also decided to freeze Iraqi assets in EEC states, to ban weapons and military equipment sales to Iraq and to suspend all military, scientific and technical cooperation between the EEC and Iraq.

The EEC officials also decided to lift Iraq's preferential trade status with EEC countries.

The meeting of EEC political directors was called by Italy, which holds the EEC presidency.

In calling the meeting, Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis had said the 12 EEC countries would study concrete measures likely to apply "the strongest pressure possible" to obtain an "immediate and unconditional withdrawal by Iraq."

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#90216p2313 08/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Vestron Inc. (NYSE: VV) today announced that following a period of extensive negotiations it intends to present an acquisition proposal made by LIVE Entertainment Inc. (NYSE: LIVE) to certain holders of Vestron's senior and subordinated debt.

The proposal calls for LIVE to acquire all of Vestron's operating assets and liabilities in exchange for a package of LIVE equity securities. Terms of the proposal have not been disclosed.

The parties have agreed to enter into specific agreements if the discussions with Vestron's debtholders are concluded favorably.

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#90216u0121 08/04/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 4) UPI - The White House has adopted a ''wait-and-see'' attitude'' as to whether Iraq will follow through with its promised withdrawal from Kuwait beginning Sunday. The withdrawal plan was reported Friday by Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency. The report came as Iraqi troops were massing near the Saudi Arabia border... although Iraq denies

any plan to invade Saudi Arabia. It's also reported that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein has agreed to meet with Arab counterparts Sunday to discuss the situation.

Environmentalists expressed pleasure Friday after congressional negotiators reached agreement on phashing out chloro-fluorocarbons and other ozone-destroying industrial chemicals. The action is the first concrete step the two chambers have taken on final clean air legislation, and calls for industry to quicken the pace of phasing out C-F-C's.

Trinidad's acting Prime ,inister, M. Winston Dookeran, said Friday the government plans to reopen banks Sunday. The Caribbean nation's economy has been at a standstill since Moslem rebels tried to overthrow the government last Friday. The coup attempt failed, but citizens are having to line up for food, gasoline and other basic supplies.

Hispanic voters in Los Angeles County scored a legal victory Friday when U-S District Judge David Kenyon tentatively approved a redistricting plan. The plan restructures the First District and provides the Hispanic community with a majority. The action greatly greatly improves the chances for a Hispanic to be elected to the L-A Board of Supervisors.

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#90216u0167 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

SEATTLE (AUG. 4) UPI - The Soviet Union dominated competition at the Goodwill Games Friday night, gaining a medal sweep in pairs' figure skating, ending China's stanglehold in diving and rallying to advance to the gold-medal game in volleyball.

About a hour after Sergei Lomonovski held off a late surge from China's Tan Liangde to win the 1-meter springboard in the diving pool, Ekaterina Gordeeva and Sergei Grinkov led a 1-2-3 finish in the pairs' event on the Tacoma Dome rink.

The Soviet volleyball team then completed a startling comeback over favored Cuba at Hec Edmundson Pavilion, winning the final three games after dropping the first two. That set up a Saturday final with Italy, a four-game winner over the United States.

Kurt Browning of Canada prevented another Soviet gold by winning the men's free-style figure skating. Viktor Petrenko of the Soviet Union finished second, with American Todd Eldredge third.

Later Friday, judo was to produce gold-medal winners in three classes: men's 60 and 65 kilograms and women's 56 kilograms.

Lomonovski, a 25-year-old from Moscow, took the lead after seven of 11

dives and held on. Mark Bradshaw of Columbus, Ohio, took his second bronze of the games, with Mark Lenzi of Fredericksburg, Va., finishing fourth.

Liangde had won the 3-meter event Wednesday, and countrywoman Gao Min had captured the women's 3- and 1-meter competitions. Another victory for Liangde and China seemed in store, but Lomonovski intervened.

The Soviet finished with 597 points. Liangde, who was mired in ninth place through seven dives, wound up with 578.04, followed by Bradshaw with 577.05 and Lenzi with 568.59.

''As the dives went on I gained confidence,'' Lomonovski said.

In volleyball, the Cubans appeared on their way to victory after winning the first two games, 15-12 and 15-8. But led by Yaroslav Antonov with 23 kills, the Soviets stormed back, 15-10, 15-12 and 15-10, to deal the Cubans their first loss in 20 matches this year.

Soviet Coach Vyacheslav Platonov said the turning point came ''when there appeared discipline on the floor. In the first two games it looked like ... tons of mongrel armies out there.''

The Americans evened their match with the Italians at a game apiece, but the Europeans surged to victory by winning three straight games. Italy is 4-0 in the tournament. The United States will meet Cuba for the bronze medal Saturday.

Gordeeva and Grinkov prevailed despite the fact Gordeeva fell landing a side-by-side double Axel. Natalia Mishkutenok and Artur Dmitriev finished second and Elena Bechke and Denis Petrov were third in the event.

That gave the Soviets a 152-133 medal advantage over the United States, including a 55-53 edge in golds.

While Friday featured only six gold medals, Saturday will feature 21 - the second-most hectic of the 17-day event. Six will come in the boxing ring. The games conclude Sunday.

Three of the eight Americans to advance to gold-medal boxing matches - Raul Marquez of Houston, Tim Austin of Cincinnati and Sergio Reyes of Fort Worth, Texas - are scheduled to fight Saturday, hoping to continue the Americans' success.

''I'm really happy with the U.S. team,'' said Eric Griffin, the two-time world light flyweight champion who fights Sunday. ''I knew we were coming here to really dominate the tournament. All 24 of us have put on a tremendous performance.''

In another top attraction, Cuban heavyweight Felix Savon meets Yevgeni Sudakov, one of nine Soviets to advance to the finals.

Later, Jill Trenary goes after gold in women's figure skating. The world and three-time U.S. champion skated a sizzling salsa program Thursday night to take the first-round lead over fellow Americans Nancy Kerrigan and Kristi Yamaguchi.

Also scheduled are semifinals in women's basketball and ice hockey, with American teams represented in both sports.

On the hardwood, the United States, winners of its last 39 international matches dating to the 1984 Olympics, meets Bulgaria. Two-time Olympian Teresa Edwards leads the team with 15.7 points per game.

Brazil and flashy Hortencia Oliva - who is averaging a tournament-best 30 points a game - will square off against the Soviets.

On the ice, the Americans will face undefeated Canada as the tournament moves from the Tri-Cities to the Tacoma Dome. The Soviets and Sweden meet in the other semifinal.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 4) UPI - The House passed and sent to the White House Saturday a bill imposing new restrictions on exports of timber logged on public lands, a measure aimed at saving thousands of Pacific Northwest lumber mill jobs.

The log export curbs are contained in the compromise version of a catch-all customs and trade bill worked out Monday by House and Senate negotiators.

The final version cleared the Senate Tuesday. The House approved the bill early Saturday on a voice vote, shortly before the House prepared to leave on its month-long summer recess.

President Bush is expected to sign the bill. ''We have no objection to it '' White House spokeswoman Alixe Glen said Thursday.

The key portion of the trade bill for the Northwest is a compromise section hammered out by lawmakers from Oregon and Washington that would make permanent a year-to-year ban Congress has imposed since 1973 on exports of timber logged on federal land in the West. Alaska is excluded from this provision.

It also places a new prohibition on the export of logs harvested from all

state-owned lands in the West, except in Washington state, which could sell no more than 25 percent of its timber overseas.

There are no restrictions on the export of logs harvested from private lands, as some in the Northwest have advocated.

However, the bill places new limits on the practice known as substitution, in which timber companies can acquire federal logs - either directly or through a third party - to run through their lumber mills in place of private logs they sell overseas.

This practice would be phased out entirely in all Western states, except in Washington, where substitution of federal logs purchased from a third party would be capped at 50 million board feet a year.

In addition, the bill gives the president authority to suspend state log export restrictions if it conflicts with any U.S. trade agreements. The president also can lift state export limits after 1997 if he finds they no longer meet the purposes of the act or the nation's economic interests.

Proponents of the export curbs say they ultimately will save roughly 6,000 jobs in the Northwest that otherwise would be lost to foreign mills, particularly in Japan, that can outbid domestic lumber companies for American timber.

The measure has gained broad support at a time of scarce timber supplies in Oregon and Washington, a region facing sharp new logging restrictions and job losses expected to follow the recent listing of the northern spotted owl as a threatened species.

Opponents of export limits argue they will hamper free trade, cost jobs in ports and in the shipping business and decrease state trust land revenues that go to public school construction.

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#90216u0201 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 4) UPI - The House passed a compromise AIDS assistance package early Saturday authorizing as much as $875 million next year to help local and state governments provide care for AIDS patients.

The bill was approved on a voice vote and sent to the Senate for final congressional action.

''This legislation is a breakthrough in AIDS treatment,'' said Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif..

Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., chairman of the House Energy and Commerce

subcommittee on health, said the bill ''finally brings a federal contribution to the health care needs of the thousands of Americans who are already sick and the hundreds of thousands who soon will be.''

''It's not enough to develop drugs,'' Waxman said. ''We must also make sure that they are available to people regardless of their ability to pay and we must be sure that they are available early enough in people's illness to really make a difference.''

Included in the bill is $275 million in both 1991 and 1992 for emergency grants to cities that have been hardest hit by the AIDS epidemic. An estimated 15 cities would be eligible for funds under the formula provided in the bill.

The measure also would authorize $275 million in each of the two years for grants to the states to improve health care and support services for AIDS patients.

Another $305 million would be available in 1991 for grants to states and heatlh care clinics for early intervention services, such as HIV testing, pre-test and post-test counseling, diagnostic evaluation, and for therapeutic drugs.

The final version of the bill includes a Senate provision that bars use of any funds in the bill for needle exchange programss. AIDS transmission has been linked to sexual contact, tainted blood transfusions and intravenous drug users who share needles.

Although the measure authorizes a substantial increase in funds for AIDS programs, the money will not become available unless Congress pass separate appropriation bills.

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(AUG. 4) UPI - NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
New York	61	41	.598	-	35-16	26-25	7-3	W-3
Pittsburgh	60	42	.588	1	30-17	30-25	5-5	W-2
Montreal	55	51	.519	8	30-23	25-28	3-7	L-3
Philadel.	50	52	.490	11	25-25	25-27	4-6	L-2
Chicago	49	57	.462	14	24-28	25-29	5-5	W-1
St. Louis	47	59	.443	16	24-32	23-27	6-5	L-1

West

Cincinnati	61	43	.587	-	31-16	30-27	2-8	L-2

San Fran.	57	48	.543	4 1/2	30-23	27-25	8-2	L-1
Los Angeles	53	51	.510	8	32-24	21-27	6-4	W-1
San Diego	47	57	.452	14	28-30	19-27	7-3	W-2
Houston	45	61	.425	17	31-21	14-40	5-5	W-2
Atlanta	40	63	.388	20 1/2	22-29	18-34	2-8	L-3

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(AUG. 4) UPI - AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDINGS

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	57	48	.543	-	35-17	22-31	6-4	L-1
Toronto	56	50	.528	1 1/2	29-26	27-24	5-5	L-2
Baltimore	53	53	.500	4 1/2	26-25	27-28	6-4	W-2
Detroit	51	57	.472	7 1/2	26-30	25-27	5-5	L-1
Cleveland	48	57	.457	9	25-26	23-31	3-7	L-1
Milwaukee	45	59	.433	10 1/2	24-30	21-29	1-9	L-6
New York	41	63	.394	15 1/2	21-28	20-35	7-3	W-1

West

Oakland	67	40	.626	-	33-20	34-20	5-5	W-3
Chicago	61	41	.598	3 1/2	31-23	30-18	6-4	W-4
Texas	55	50	.524	11	28-23	27-27	8-2	W-5
Seattle	55	52	.514	12	27-27	28-25	5-5	L-1
California	51	56	.477	16	25-26	26-30	4-6	L-2
Minnesota	51	56	.477	16	28-28	23-28	5-5	W-1
Kansas City	48	57	.457	18	26-24	22-33	3-7	L-3

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(AUG. 4) GOODWILL GAMES MEDAL STANDINGS

(Standings through 156 events)

	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Tot.
Soviet Union	56	58	39	153
United States	53	45	37	135
East Germany	10	7	23	40
Bulgaria	7	6	8	21
China	5	6	3	14
West Germany	3	2	5	10
Cuba	4	2	2	8
Canada	3	1	4	8
Japan	0	2	6	8
Netherlands	1	1	5	7
Romania	1	4	2	7

Australia	0	4	3	7
South Korea	3	1	2	6
Spain	2	2	1	5
Hungary	1	1	3	5
Brazil	0	1	4	5
Italy	1	2	1	4
Jamaica	1	1	2	4
Poland	3	0	0	3
Yugoslavia	2	1	0	3
Turkey	0	2	1	3
Mongolia	1	1	0	2
Denmark	1	0	1	2
Ethiopia	0	2	0	2
Great Britain	0	1	1	2
Kenya	0	1	1	2
Czechoslovakia	1	0	0	1
Mexico	1	0	0	1
Morocco	1	0	0	1
Suriname	1	0	0	1
Bahamas	0	1	0	1
New Zealand	0	1	0	1
Ireland	0	0	1	1

(Tie for silver in men's 200-meter breaststroke in swimming; tie for gold in men's 400-meter individual medley in swimming; tie for silver in men's floor in gymnastics; tie for gold in horizontal bars in gymnastics; tie for gold in parallel bars in gymnastics; tie for bronze in men's 800 meters; tie for silver in women's high jump; tie for bronze in men's 200-meter individual medley; tie for bronze in rope in rhythmic gymnastics; tie for gold in hoop in rhythmic gymnastics; tie for silver in ribbon and ball in rhythmic gymnastics; tie for gold in floor in gymnastics; tie for bronze in female 65 kg judo; tie for bronze in male 60 kg judo; tie for bronze in male 65 kg judo)

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#90216u0260 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 4) UPI - Congress approved and sent to the White House Saturday a bill temporarily increasing the national debt limit to $3.195 trillion.

The House approved the bill 247-172 and the Senate passed it by voice vote.

Treasury Department officials said the government will run out of borrowing authority in mid-August, while Congress is on vacation, unless the debt ceiling is increased from its current level, $3.123 trillion.

The short-term boost of $72 billion approved by the House was estimated to

be enough to carry the government through Oct. 2.

Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, said that Treasury Secretary Nichlas Brady informed him the Treasury Department will run out of funds Aug. 15 and ''has a bill of $21 billion in interest due.''

Without approval of the temporary extension the government could not borrow more cash to pay its bills, a development Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, said would be ''disastrous economic and political consequences.''

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(AUG. 4) UPI - NL BOX SCORES

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
DeShields 2b	3	0	0	0	Walton cf	5	2	2	0
DMartinz cf	4	1	1	0	Sandberg 2b	4	2	2	0
Raines lf	2	0	0	0	Grace 1b	4	2	3	2
Aldrete lf	2	0	1	0	Dawson rf	1	0	0	0
Wallach 3b	2	0	0	0	JSmith rf	3	0	2	2
Noboa 3b	2	1	0	1	Clark lf	4	0	1	0
Galarrag 1b	2	0	0	0	Assenmchr p	1	0	0	0
Johnson 1b	2	0	0	0	Williams p	0	0	0	0
Walker rf	3	1	2	2	Salazar 3b	4	2	3	2
Foley ss	3	0	0	0	Dunston ss	5	1	1	1
Rojas p	0	0	0	0	Girardi c	4	1	1	0
Sampen p	0	0	0	0	Harkey p	3	0	1	2
Grissom ph	1	0	0	0	Dascenzo lf	2	0	1	0
Goff c	3	1	2	1					
Gardner p	0	0	0	0					
Mohorcic p	2	0	1	0					
Owen ss	2	0	0	0					
Totals	33	4	7	4	Totals	40	10	17	9

Montreal	001	003	000-	4
Chicago	620	011	00x-	10

E-Noboa. DP-Montreal 1, Chicago 1. LOB-Montreal 5, Chicago 12. 2B-Grace, Dunston, Harkey, Sandberg, Salazar, Girardi. HR-Goff (2), Walker (12), Salazar (9). SB-Walton (11), Salazar (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Gardner (L 6-6)	1	7	8	8	2	1

Mohorcic			4	6	1	0	1	2
Rojas			2	2	1	1	2	2
Sampen			1	2	0	0	0	0
Chicago								
Harkey (W 10-5)	5	2-3		5	4	4	2	2
Assenmacher	2	1-3		1	0	0	0	3
Williams			1	1	0	0	0	1

Gardner pitched to 2 batters in the 2nd.
HBP-by Harkey (DeShields), by Mohorcic (Salazar). WP-Gardner. PB-Goff. T-2:42. A-33,318.
Umpires-Home, Brocklander; 1b, Marsh; 2b, Wendelstedt; 3b, West.

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Redus rf	5	2	1	0	Dykstra cf	3	0	0	0
Bell ss	6	2	2	0	Campusan cf	1	0	1	0
Van Slyke cf	5	2	3	4	Daulton c	4	0	0	0
King 3b	6	0	2	2	Herr 2b	3	0	0	0
Bonds lf	4	2	0	0	Boever p	0	0	0	0
Slaught c	5	1	3	0	McDowell p	0	0	0	0
Bream 1b	5	1	4	3	VHayes rf	3	0	0	0
Lind 2b	5	1	3	1	Martinez 1b	2	0	0	0
Drabek p	3	0	0	0	Cook p	0	0	0	0
					Booker 2b	1	0	0	0
					Kruk lf	2	0	0	0
					Thon ss	3	0	0	0
					CHayes 3b	3	0	0	0
					Ruffin p	0	0	0	0
					Carman p	0	0	0	0
					Parrett p	1	0	0	0
					Jordan 1b	2	0	0	0
Totals	44	11	18	10	Totals	28	0	1	0

Pittsburgh	323	120	000-	11
Philadelphia	000	000	000-	0

E-Daulton. DP-Philadelphia 1. LOB- Pittsburgh 11, Philadelphia 2. 2B-Slaught, Lind 2, Van Slyke, Bream. 3B- King. HR-Bream (11), Van Slyke (12). SB-Van Slyke (10), Bonds (36).

			IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh								
Drabek (W 14-4)			9	1	0	0	1	5
Philadelphia								
Ruffin (L 6-11)	1	1-3		5	5	5	3	1

Carman	2-3	3	3	3	1	1
Parrett	3	5	3	3	1	5
Cook	2	2	0	0	0	1
Boever	1	2	0	0	0	1
McDowell	1	1	0	0	0	0

Carman pitched to 4 batters in the 3rd.
WP-Carman. T-2:39. A-36,057.
Umpires-Home, Reliford; 1b, Wil- liams; 2b, McSherry; 3b, Davidson.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
McDowell cf	3	0	1	0	Yelding cf	3	1	0	0
Treadway 2b	4	0	0	0	Doran 2b	4	2	3	0
Gant lf	4	0	1	0	Oberkfell 1b	4	0	2	2
Presley 3b	3	0	0	0	Davidson lf	0	0	0	0
Gregg rf	3	0	0	0	Stubbs lf	2	0	0	0
Justice 1b	3	0	0	0	Biggio c	3	0	2	0
Whitt c	3	0	0	0	Wilson rf	3	0	0	0
Blauser ss	3	0	1	0	Caminiti 3b	3	0	0	0
Smoltz p	2	0	0	0	Ramirez ss	3	0	0	0
LSmith ph	1	0	0	0	Scott p	3	0	0	0
Grant p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	29	0	3	0	Totals	28	3	7	2

Atlanta	000 000 000- 0
Houston	002 000 01x- 3

E-McDowell. DP-Houston 1. LOB- Atlanta 4, Houston 4. 2B-McDowell, Gant.
3B-Doran, Oberkfell. SB-Biggio (21), Blauser (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Smoltz (L 7-8)	7	5	2	1	2	7
Grant	1	2	1	1	1	0
Houston						
Scott (W 9-10)	9	3	0	0	2	6

T-2:25. A-17,579.
Umpires-Home, Quick; 1b, Hohn; 2b, Rennert; 3b, Barnes.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Harris 2b	6	3	3	0	Butler cf	4	0	1	0
Gibson cf	2	3	1	1	Leach rf	3	0	1	0
Gonzalez cf	2	1	1	0	O'Neal p	1	0	0	0
Daniels lf	4	2	2	1	Carter 1b	3	0	1	0

Gwynn lf	2	0	1	1	Mitchell lf	2	1	1	1
Murray 1b	3	2	2	2	Litton lf	1	0	0	0
Hatcher 1b	1	0	0	0	Williams 3b	3	0	0	0
Brooks rf	5	0	4	2	Anderson 2b	1	0	0	0
Scioscia c	5	0	2	1	Kennedy c	3	0	0	0
Sharpersn 3b	3	0	0	1	Bathe c	1	0	0	0
Griffin ss	3	0	0	0	Thompsn 2b	2	1	1	0
Vizcaino ss	1	0	1	0	Riles 3b	1	0	0	0
Martinez p	5	0	0	0	Uribe ss	3	0	1	1
					Garrelts p	0	0	0	0
					Hammakr p	2	0	0	0
					Kingery rf	1	0	0	0
Totals	42	11	17	9	Totals	31	2	6	2

Los Angeles	330	004	100-	11
San Francisco	011	000	000-	2

E-Williams, Mitchell, Kingery. DP- Los Angeles 2, San Francisco 2. LOB- Los Angeles 10, San Francisco 5. 2B- Harris, Thompson, Uribe, Daniels, Gonzalez. HR-Mitchell (26). SF-Sharperson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Martinez (W 14-4)	9	6	2	2	3	5
San Francisco						
Garrelts (L 9-8)	1 2-3	6	6	4	2	0
Hammaker	3 2-3	4	3	3	2	2
O'Neal	3 2-3	7	2	2	1	2

WP-Garrelts, Hammaker, O'Neal. T- 2:46. A-35,540.
Umpires-Home, Harvey; 1b, Hallion; 2b, DeMuth; 3b, Gregg.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Johnson 3b	4	0	2	0	Coleman lf	4	1	0	0
Magadan 1b	4	0	1	1	Wilson lf	0	0	0	0
Jefferies 2b	5	0	1	1	Smith ss	2	1	0	0
Strawbrry rf	3	0	1	0	McGee cf	5	0	1	2
McRynlds lf	5	0	0	0	Guerrero 1b	3	0	1	0
Sasser c	3	0	1	0	Collins 1b	1	0	0	0
Miller pr	0	1	0	0	Thompson rf	5	0	0	0
Mercado c	0	0	0	0	Zeile c	4	0	2	0
Carreon ph	1	1	1	0	LSmith p	0	0	0	0
Franco p	0	0	0	0	Walling ph	1	0	0	0
Boston cf	4	2	2	1	Pendleton 3b	4	2	3	0
Elster ss	1	0	0	0	Oquendo 2b	3	0	1	0
O'Malley 3b	1	1	1	0	DeLeon p	2	0	1	1

Cone p	2	0	0	0	Hudler ph	1	0	0	0
Teufel ph	0	0	0	1	DiPino p	0	0	0	0
Ojeda p	0	0	0	0	Pagnozzi c	0	0	0	0
Machado p	0	0	0	0					
Trevino c	0	0	0	1					
Totals	33	5	10	5	Totals	35	4	9	3

New York 010 000 103- 5
St. Louis 010 000 210- 4

E-Pendleton. LOB-New York 9, St. Louis 11. 2B-Oquendo, Sasser, McGee, Pendleton. HR-Boston (8). SB-Johnson (26), Coleman (58), Strawberry (14). S- Oquendo. SF-Teufel, Trevino.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Cone	6	7	1	1	1	7
Ojeda	1 1-3	2	3	3	3	1
Machado (W 4-1)	2-3	0	0	0	2	0
Franco (S 24)	1	0	0	0	0	0
St. Louis						
DeLeon	7	4	2	2	5	5
DiPino	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
LSmith (L 3-3)	1 1-3	5	3	3	1	1

WP-Machado. T-3:28. A-38,087.
Umpires-Home, Runge; 1b, Davis; 2b, Winters; 3b, Layne.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts lf	4	1	2	0	Sabo 3b	5	1	1	1
DrJacksn cf	0	0	0	0	Duncan 2b	4	0	3	1
Alomar 2b	3	0	1	1	Larkin ss	3	0	0	0
Gwynn rf	4	1	1	0	EDavis cf	4	0	0	0
Clark 1b	3	1	1	1	Braggs rf	3	0	0	0
Carter lf	4	0	1	1	O'Neill rf	0	0	0	0
Lefferts p	0	0	0	0	Benzinger 1b	4	0	0	0
Pagliarul 3b	4	0	1	0	Oliver c	3	0	1	0
Lampkin c	2	0	0	0	Quinones ph	1	0	0	0
Templetn ss	3	0	0	0	Reed c	0	0	0	0
Hurst p	3	0	0	0	Hatcher lf	3	1	1	0
Harris p	0	0	0	0	Armstrong p	0	0	0	0
Abner lf	0	0	0	0	Oester ph	1	0	0	0
					Dibble p	0	0	0	0
Totals	30	3	7	3	Totals	32	2	6	2

San Diego 011 000 001- 3

Cincinnati 001 000 010- 2

E-Hurst. DP-San Diego 1, Cincinnati 3. LOB-San Diego 3, Cincinnati 8. 2B-Carter, Roberts, Alomar, Duncan, Clark. HR-Sabo (21). SB-Hatcher (25). S-Armstrong 2.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Hurst	7	6	2	1	1	3
Harris (W 6-5)	1	0	0	0	1	1
Lefferts (S 15)	1	0	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati						
Armstrong	7	5	2	2	3	5
Dibble (L 4-3)	2	2	1	1	0	2

Hurst pitched to 3 batters in the 8th,
Harris pitched to 1 batter in the 9th.
HBP-by Harris (Hatcher). T-2:31. A -34,733.
Umpires-Home, Pulli; 1b, Rippley; 2b, Darling; 3b, Hirschbeck.
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WASHINGTON (AUG. 4) UPI - More than a year after the Exxon Valdez disaster outraged the nation, Congress sent President Bush an oil spill prevention and cleanup bill Saturday requiring double hulls on tankers and federal intervention in major accidents.

On a 360-0 vote, the House gave final legislative approval to wide-ranging legislation that also raises the liability of spillers eight-fold and sets up $1 billion federal trust fund for emergency cleanup and victim compensation and related costs exceeding the liability limits.

The Senate earlier voted 99-0 to approve the bill, which rode through Congress on a wave of public anger generated by the Exxon Valdez and a steady drumbeat of smaller spills over the past year, ranging from New York Harbor to California to the Gulf Coast.

Rep. David Bonior, D-Mich., called the measure ''one of the toughest cleanup bills in the history of the Congress.''

Even as lawmakers voted, cleanup crews struggled to mop up a 500,000-gallon spill menacing fragile wetlands in Texas's Galveston Bay, important breeding grounds for seabirds and commercially valuable fish.

The oil industry is unhappy with several aspects of the bill -

particularly the costly requirement for double hulls - but the national epidemic of oil spills gave the measure irresistible momentum.

Steve Hart, a spokesman for President Bush, said the White House had some concerns about the bill, but noted the president had asked Congress to enact oil spill legislation. He added: ''There has been no veto threat against the bill.''

Hart said Bush was ''disappointed'' Congress did not ratify an international treaty on spills. The administration said the treaty was needed to ensure foreign tankers operating in U.S. waters were held accountable for accidents. But lawmakers said the treaty set unacceptably weak liability and cleanup standards and would override federal or state laws.

Both industry officials and environmentalists predicted Bush would sign the bill.

A key section of the bill would raise the liability of spillers for cleanup costs and damage payments roughly eight times higher than the surprisingly low limits now applicable under federal law.

For example, although Exxon has voluntarily spent more than $2 billion to clean up the Alaska spill, experts estimate it would be legally liable for only $14 million under current federal law. Lawmakers said the low limits gave oil shippers little incentive to prevent spills.

The new liability limits, which range up to $350 million per incident, do not apply to accidents caused by gross negligence or criminal misconduct on the part of tanker or facility operators.

In addition, injured parties can sue for higher compensation under state laws that do not set any ceiling on spiller liability. Eighteen states have unlimited liability for oil spills.

Oil industry officials warned that states with unlimited liability laws faced a cutoff of oil shipments because few tanker operators would risk a major accident that could bankrupt them.

Where cleanup and compensation costs exceed a spiller's liability limit or emergency spill containment action by the Coast Guard is necessary, the government could tap the $1 billion federal trust fund, which is financed by a 5-cent-per-barrel tax on oil.

To assure minimal disruption to affected communities, the fund also could be used for damage payments to fishermen and others who lose their livelihood and cannot get recompense from the spiller within 60 days after an accident. The government would then sue the spiller to recoup the

damage payments.

Oil spill legislation was mired down for 14 years in House-Senate disputes over whether federal liability laws should override state laws, particularly those allowing unlimited liability. The Senate sought to preserve state laws, the House to override them.

The bill was shaken loose by the wreck of supertanker Exxon Valdez on March 24, 1989, which dumped nearly 11 million gallons of crude oil into Alaska's pristine Prince William Sound. The spill blackened miles of beaches and killed tens of thousands of birds, sea otters and other animals.

Public outrage was heightened by the slow and confused cleanup response by Exxon and oil industry crews. Coast Guard officials said they could not take over the cleanup because they did not have enough money and were uncertain about their authority to intervene.

The bill would directly address that problem by giving the president responsibility for ensuring a quick and effective cleanup, either by ordering the spiller to take action or sending the Coast Guard into action. The president also would have the final say on how long cleanup operations must continue.

Another key provision of the bill requires virtually all oil tankers and barges operating in U.S. waters by the year 2015 to be equipped with double hulls, designed to provide extra protection against spills in the event of groundings or collisions.

Environmentalists contend a double hull could have prevented the Exxon Valdez fiasco, but oil industry officials argue that an additional shell would make a foundering ship take on more water and increase the risk of capsizing.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 4) UPI - Here are the key provisions of the oil spill prevention and cleanup bill approved by Congress and sent to President Bush Saturday:

Spiller Liability

The liability of spillers for cleanup costs and damages would be increased eight-fold from current limits in federal law, with dollar amounts varying by the size of tankers or the type of oil facility. For example, for oil tankers the liability limit would rise from the current $150 per gross ton to $1,200 per gross ton. This would mean the liability limit for a tanker

such as the Exxon Valdez would rise from the current $14.3 million to $114 million. The liability limits would not apply where spills were caused by gross negligence or criminal misconduct, as is alleged in the Exxon Valdez disaster. In addition, spillers would be subject to unlimited liability in 18 states that place no ceiling on damage awards to injured parties filing suit in state courts. The bill also would make spillers liable for new types of damages, including loss of use of natural resources and increased costs to state and local governments for spill-related services.

Federal Pre-emption of State Liability Laws

The bill leaves intact state laws that do not place any limit on spiller liability. Some House members and the Bush administration, backed by the oil industry, sought to override those state laws, saying they created uninsurable risks for shippers. Senators refused to accept any federal pre-emption, saying states ought to have full authority to protect their shorelines and citizens' interests.

International Spill Treaties

The bill is silent on an international oil spill treaty, even though the United States has announced support for it. The Senate refused to include provisions ratifying the treaty, saying it set liability and cleanup standards that were much weaker than the new spill law being enacted by Congress. They also said it would pre-empt state laws. The Bush administration and some House members backed the treaty, saying it was needed to ensure foreign shippers operating in U.S. waters were accountable in case of a spill.

Federal Oil Spill Fund

The bill establishes a $1 billion federal trust fund that can be tapped by the Coast Guard to finance emergency cleanup operations and to pay spill victims for damages exceeding the liability limit of spillers. The government also can use the fund for immediate payments to fishermen and others who lose their livelihood but are unable to get recompense from a spiller within 90 days. The government could then sue the spiller for reimbursement. The fund is financed by a five-cent per barrel tax on oil.

Federal Cleanup Authority

The president would be required to ensure speedy and effective cleanup of spills, either by ordering the spiller to take action or sending in the Coast Guard. In the event of major accident, the president would be required to order a federal takeover of cleanup efforts.

Double Hulls

Double hulls would be required on larger oil-carrying vessels by 2010, with a few smaller vessels and those that unload at deepwater ports given until 2015. Environmentalists say double hulls could have prevented the Exxon Valdez accident and many other spills; the oil industry says double hulls could make foundering ships more likely to sink.

Cleanup Task Forces

The Coast Guard is required to maintain major oil spill cleanup task forces in Mobile, Ala., San Francisco and Elizabeth City, N.C. and establish smaller crews in each of the Coast Guard's 10 districts around the country.

Crew Fitness

The Coast Guard must review the driving records of tanker captains and others applying for merchant mariner documents or licenses. The Coast Guard can suspend, revoke or deny licenses or documents to people convicted of drunken or reckless driving in cars. The provision comes in response to revelations that the captain of the Exxon Valdez previously had been convicted twice of drunk driving.

Crew Manning

The number of hours tanker crews can work is limited to 15 hours or 36 hours in three days. Again, the restriction stems from disclosures that the crew of the Exxon Valdez had been working long hours.

Spill Contingency Planning

Tanker and oil facility operators are required to draw up contingency plans for responding to ''worst case'' spills. They also must assure adequate funding to carry it out.

Penalties

The bill raises penalties for violation of oil shipping regulations, including triple damages for shippers who fail to follow the requirements of their contingency plans.

Spill Cleanup Research

The bill authorizes $26.5 million in federal funds each year for research and development of improved spill cleanup technology.

Prince William Sound

The bill creates a Prince William Sound Oil Spill Recovery Institute to

conduct research on the impact of the Exxon Valdez spill. The bill also provides funding to build a warning light on Bligh Reef, the rock upon which the Exxon Valdez ran aground.

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(AUG. 4) UPI - First Oscar Azocar ruined Tom Candiotti's no-hitter, then Mel Hall ruined his night.

Azocar's single with two out in the eighth inning broke up the Cleveland knuckleballer's bid for a gem Friday night, and then Hall took reliever Doug Jones deep for a three-run homer to power the New York Yankees to a 6-4 victory over the Indians.

''I was having such a good time pitching,'' said the 32-year-old junk ball specialist. ''The knuckleball was dancing so much. It was going like crazy.''

After retiring the first two batters in the eighth, though, Candiotti ran into trouble. Steve Sax walked and moved to second when shortstop Felix Fermin booted rookie Jim Leyritz's slow roller for an error.

That brought up the Yankees' rookie outfielder.

''Azocar is a real free-swinger, which is a pretty good match-up for guys who throw knuckleballs,'' Candiotti said.

Wrong.

Azocar promptly denied Candiotti a spot in the record books by grounding a base hit up the middle, just beyond the reach of second baseman Tom Brookens.

''He had a nasty knuckler tonight,'' said Azocar, who had homered off Candiotti in last Saturday's 2-1 Yankee loss in Cleveland. ''Much better than the last time.''

''It was just a ground ball he hit in the right place,'' said Candiotti. ''He's a good hitter - he keeps his hands back real well and sprays to all fields.''

The hit sent Candiotti, 11-7, to the dugout, to watch Jones try to preserve the victory.

''Jones is an off-speed pitcher,'' Candiotti said, ''and Hall is not a good off-speed hitter, so it looked like a pretty good matchup.''

Wrong again.

Hall crushed Jones' first pitch into the upper deck in right for his 10th home run of the season.

''It was a fastball down the middle,'' Jones said. ''I didn't get it in enough. I knew Mel Hall was a first ball hitter. I was hoping to jam him.''

''I was just trying to get a hit,'' Hall said. ''The man (Candiotti) was nasty the whole contest. I was real happy to see him come out.''

All of the Yankees' runs were unearned and Candiotti allowed five of those with only one hit. He walked two and struck out seven. The loss was Candiotti's first to the Yankees since April 26, 1987.

Lee Guetterman, 7-4, pitched 3 1-3 innings, allowing two runs and four hits while fanning two.

Elsewhere in the American League: Minnesota downed Seattle 6-2 in 13 innings, Baltimore bombed Kansas City 14-1, Boston routed Detroit 14-5, Texas clobbered Toronto 9-1, Chicago topped Milwaukee 6-2 and Oakland edged California 8-6.

In the National League it was: Chicago 10, Montreal 4; Pittsburgh 11, Philadelphia 0; New York 5, St. Louis 4; San Diego 3, Cincinnati 2; Houston 3, Atlanta 0; Los Angeles 11, San Francisco 2.

Twins 6, Mariners 2, 13 innings

At Seattle, Kent Hrbek's sacrifice fly snapped a 2-2 tie and Randy Bush added a three-run homer off Mike Schooler, 1-3. Reliever Rick Aguilera, 4-3, got the win. Minnesota's Brian Harper extended his hitting streak to a major league season-high 24 games when he belted a two-run homer in the sixth inning.

Red Sox 14, Tigers 5

At Boston, Ellis Burks belted a three-run homer to highlight a seven-run first inning that knocked out Jeff Robinson, 8-9, before he retired a batter. The Red Sox's first eight batters reached safely. Detroit's Cecil Fielder hit his major league-leading 34th home run. Greg Harris, 9-4, got the win.

Orioles 14, Royals 1

At Baltimore, Cal Ripken hit two of four Baltimore homers and drove in four runs and Joe Orsulak also drove in four runs with a homer and single to help the Orioles reach .500 (53-53) for the first time since June 12.

John Mitchell was ejected in the seventh inning for brushing back Kevin Seitzer.

Rangers 9, Blue Jays 1

At Arlington, Texas, Steve Buechele's first career grand slam capped a seven-run seventh inning that was keyed by an error by Toronto third baseman Kelly Gruber on a potential double play grounder. Jamie Moyer, 1-3 won for the first time since last September and retired 21 of his final 22 batters.

White Sox 6, Brewers 2

At Milwaukee, Frank Thomas tripled home two runs with his first major league hit and Greg Hibbard, 9-5, tossed a seven-hitter to send the Brewers to their sixth straight loss. Mark Knudson dropped to 8-5 despite taking a one-hitter into the seventh.

Athletics 8, Angels 6

At Anaheim, Calif., Dave Henderson homered and collected three RBI and Mark McGwire added a solo shot while Oakland rallied for five runs in the seventh inning to overcome a 6-0 deficit. Rookie reliever Reggie Harris, 1-0, recorded his first major-league win. Dennis Eckersley notched his 34th save.

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(AUG. 4) UPI - After the breaks dealt Doug Drabek during his no-hit bid Friday night, no one could blame the Pittsburgh pitcher for eyeing a place in the record books.

First, Pittsburgh second baseman Jose Lind made a sharp play to preserve Drabek's no-hitter through eight innings.

Then, one out away from becoming the eighth pitcher to throw a no-hitter this season, he faces a .188 hitter instead of a .346 hitter. The odds are in Drabek's favor, right? Not quite.

On a full count, Sil Campusano singled to right for only his 10th hit in 49 at-bats this season, depriving Drabek his day of glory.

''When I saw Chico (Lind) dive and catch it, I thought that had to be a good sign,'' Drabek said after Pittsburgh's 11-0 thrashing of Philadelphia. ''And it was for a few more outs. It was just a tremendous play.''

Pittsburgh Manager Jim Leyland said he also thought Lind's play was an omen.

''I don't usually get too caught up in things like that, but after Chico made that play, I thought he'd get it,'' Leyland said. ''It was just one of those things.

Because of the blowout, Campusano replaced Lenny Dykstra in center field in the seventh inning. With the no-hitter on the line, Campusano fought off a high and inside fastball, and lifted a single to shallow right-center.

''Campusano hit it hard. It was a clean base hit,'' Drabek said. ''I'm glad it was like that, a clean hit, not a question of whether it was a hit or error. No fielder had to feel bad and the scorer didn't have to make a tough decision. If you're going to lose it, that's the way to do it.

''I figured with the count 3-2 and with the defense helping me out and with them hitting the ball at people, I'd throw a fastball. If he walks, fine. If he hits it, I hope he hits it at somebody.''

Drabek, 14-4, had retired 26 of the first 27 Phillies he faced before Campusano's hit. Drabek got Darren Daulton to fly out to right to end his first career one-hitter. Drabek struck out five and walked one in winning his sixth straight start.

The victory was never in doubt as the Pirates pounded out 18 hits against six Philadelphia pitchers.

Andy Van Slyke was 3 for 5 with a home run and four RBI and Sid Bream went 4 for 5 with a homer and three RBI. Lind and catcher Don Slaught also had three hits apiece.

Philadelphia starter Bruce Ruffin, 6-11, gave up five runs on five hits and three walks in 1 1-3 innings. The only good news for Philadelphia on the night was it aquired two-time NL MVP Dale Murphy from Atlanta.

Elsewhere in the National League, Chicago pounded Montreal 10-4, San Diego edged Cincinnati 3-2, Houston blanked Atlanta 3-0, New York overcame St. Louis 5-4 and Los Angeles flattened San Francisco 10-2.

In the AL it was: Minnesota 6, Seattle 2, 13 innings; New York 6, Cleveland 4; Baltimore 14, Kansas City 1; Boston 14, Detroit 5; Chicago 6, Milwaukee 2; Texas 9, Toronto 1; and Oakland 8, California 6.

Cubs 10, Expos 4

At Chicago, Mike Harkey and Mark Grace each hit two-run doubles in a

six-run first inning to propel Chicago. Harkey, 10-5, became the first Cubs rookie to win at least 10 games since Burt Hooton and Rick Reuschel in 1972. Mark Gardner, 6-6, served up seven hits in less than two innings to take the loss.

Padres 3, Reds 2

At Cincinnati, Jack Clark doubled home Tony Gwynn from first with one out in the ninth to lift San Diego. Clark doubled off loser Rob Dibble, 4-3, to make a winner of Greg Harris, 6-5, who pitched one inning in relief of Bruce Hurst. Craig Lefferts pitched the ninth for his 15th save.

Astros 3, Braves 0

At Houston, Mike Scott fired a three-hitter to lead Houston. Scott, 9-10, allowed only a first-inning double to Oddibe McDowell, a third-inning single by Jeff Blauser and a two-out ninth-inning double by Ron Gant. John Smoltz, 7-8 took the loss. Ken Oberkfell drove in two runs.

Mets 5, Cardinals 4

At St. Louis, Dave Magadan and Gregg Jefferies hit bloop RBI singles in a three-run ninth inning to enable New York to keep its one-game lead over Pittsburgh in the NL East with its 24th comeback victory of the season. Lee Smith, 3-3, took the loss. Julio Machado, 4-1, picked up the win and John Franco pitched the ninth for his NL-leading 24th save.

Dodgers 11, Giants 2

At San Francisco, Hubie Brooks had four hits and drove in two runs and Ramon Martinez pitched his major league-leading eighth complete game. Martinez, 14-4, won his fifth straight start. Scott Garrelts, 9-8, lasted 1 2-3 innings in his first start since coming within one out of a no-hitter.

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GALVESTON, TX (AUG. 4) UPI - Authorities reopened portions of Galveston Bay to fishing Saturday, one week after a barge-ship collision dumped a half-million gallons of heavy crude oil into the environmentally sensitive waterway.

Environmentalists voiced growing concern for sensitive marshlands in the northern reaches of the bay, and some said they believed much of the oil had not evaporated and was lingering beneath the surface of the bay.

''The worst is yet to come,'' Galveston Bay Foundation spokesman Jim

Grimes said. ''It's an invisible thing, unfortunately.

''We're going to have to hunt and make a lot of studies to document the damage. It's going to be a long, slow process, but the marine biologists I've heard say we are in for a long period of heavy effect from this,'' Grimes said.

Galveston Bay was closed to all types of fishing at 12:01 a.m. Thursday. Dr. Robert Bernstein of the Texas Department of Health issued an order Friday authorizing parts of the bay to be reopened at 12:01 a.m. Saturday.

The health department declared the entire bay open for taking of fin fish but maintained a ban on shellfish harvest across much of the bay.

The Coast Guard set up booms at Houston Point in the northern end of the bay, saying a shift in winds pushed some oil into breeding grounds for saltwater fish and bird nesting areas.

Environmentalists questioned why booms were set up after some oil already had reached the marshlands. Coast Guard Adm. Jim Loy defended his crews.

''Were we able to pre-deploy everything to every place, it would have gone better. This is not a magic kind of thing, it's not an error-free thing. If we missed by two hours on the placement of a boom at Houston Point, we'll take that hit,'' Loy said.

The Coast Guard said much of the oil had apparently evaporated, since large patches no longer could be spotted during flyovers of the bay and tests showed it was not on the bottom. They rejected allegations they could not account for 300,000 gallons of the oil that leaked from two damaged barges after a collision with a Greek tanker a week ago.

The Houston Ship Channel, which had been closed since the collision last Saturday afternoon, was reopened to outbound ship traffic early Friday after a crippled barge was moved out of the way.

Twenty-seven ships had been stranded at Houston docks and 43 were anchored in lower Galveston Bay or the Gulf of Mexico waiting to reach the Port of Houston.

Gov. Bill Clements said Friday that he was concerned about the economic burden the spill had imposed on Gulf Coast residents, adding he was relieved part of the bay was being reopened to fishing.

''Any spill is bad, and our hearts go out to the Texans who suffered hardships because of this accident. I am also distressed by the potential impact on our wildlife and coastal waters. That's why we are taking every step possible to protect our environment,'' said Clements, founder of

Dallas oil field equipment company Sedco Inc.

His comments came after he was criticized by many environmentalists for reporting Thursday that the damage was less than expected.

''As with most disasters, one has to look beneath the surface and, in that sense, our governor is critically lacking in those skills,'' said Ted Eubanks, a spokesman for the Houston Audubon Society.

Eubanks believes much of the oil remains in the water.

''Oil can move underneath the surface, where it's not visible, and that's one of the difficulties. We have navigational specialists, engineers and government officials heading up the cleanup, where we need wildlife people that are sensitive to the ecological system heading it up. We got the wrong guy driving the train,'' Eubanks said.

He also criticized the Coast Guard for not testing the water between the surface and the bay bottom for oil.

Coast Guard Petty Officer Mark Sedwick said 11 floor samples showed no evidence of oil, adding he was uncertain if officials planned to test the water column. Oil from the spill has stained Houston Point, Redfish Island Eagle Point, the Texas City Dike and Pelican Island.

During a visit to East Beach Thursday, Eubanks said his hands became covered with oil when he ran his fingers through sand and shells.

''The long-term negative environmental effects on the lower end of the food chain, invertebrates and crustaceans, will have implications over the next several years. The web of life which includes the Galveston Bay will be damaged for a long period of time,'' said Gary Clark, president of the Houston Audubon Society.

Texas Water Commission Chairman B.J. ''Buck'' Wynne Friday awaited water sample tests results to determine the effectiveness of oil-eating microbes sprayed onto Pelican Island beaches late Thursday.

The process known as bioremediation was being used where conventional oil-collecting equipment could not. Crews had hoped to use the microbes on Houston Point Friday, but the work was delayed by federal officials.

Clements vetoed aerial spraying of microbes over the entire spill, saying it had become too fragmented for bioremediation to work.

The owner of the two barges, Apex Towing Co. of St. Louis, Thursday handed over to the Coast Guard responsibility for the remaining cleanup. A Coast Guard official immediately sought $1 million for the job.

Coast Guard Capt. Tom Greene said federal funds would be used for the job, but the bill will be passed on to Apex's insurer for reimbursement.

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COLOMBO, SRI LANKA (AUG. 4) UPI - Tamil rebels rampaged through a Moslem town in the eastern part of the country while the villagers were praying at mosques, killing at least 117 people and wounding more than 100 others, police said Saturday.

Authorities said the massacre Friday night was one of the worst ever by the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, who launched a new war against the government June 12 by simultaneously attacking four army camps in the eastern part of the country.

More than 2,000 soldiers, rebels, police and civilians have been killed in the latest round of fighting. Tiger rebels have been battling for an independent Tamil homeland in the north and east of the country since 1983 but the latest war erupted after more than a year of relative calm.

The Tiger rebels believe the minority Tamil community, which is predominantly Hindu, needs a separate country because of years of discrimination by the majority Sinhalese, who are mostly Buddhist and who control the government in Colombo.

Authorities said the Tiger rebels attacked Kathankudy, a village near the eastern provincial capital of Batticaloa, 140 miles east of the capital, Friday night while the predominantly Moslem community was in the midst of weekly prayers.

The Tigers arrived at the village in vans, knocked out the power supply and attacked the civilian community with gunfire during the half-hour raid authorities said.

M.S. Steven, superintendent of police in the region, said 117 Moslem villagers had been confirmed dead. He said more than 100 had been wounded in the attack.

The police official said some of the attackers left the area by sea and were intercepted by military helicopters, which opened fire on the fleeing boats. It was not immediately clear whether any of the attackers had been killed.

M.H.M. Ashroff, the leader of the Sri Lankan Moslem Congress, sharply condemned the attack.

''This is a brutal massacre of innocent civilians by Tiger terrorists who do not hesitate to enter a mosque and kill civilians,'' he said.

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MONROVIA, LIBERIA (AUG. 4) UPI - Fighting intensified in central Monrovia as rebels of Prince Johnson and government troops loyal to President Samuel Doe battled for control of the ravaged city.

Long-range rockets, missiles and shells were fired at the city center by both sides Friday as the front line repeatedly shifted from street to street.

Civilians largely disappeared from the contested streets. Bodies of pedestrians were seen laying on sidewalks, victims of the crossfire.

Previously locked and damaged shop fronts again were blasted in the indiscriminate firing.

The Defense Ministry building on Ashmun Street was claimed by both sides. The building changed hands repeatedly in fierce fighting and was last reported held by Johnson's forces.

Artillery shells touched off a major fire that raged unchecked in a block near an exhibition building burned out Thursday. There is no longer an official fire service in the capital.

Reporters cruising by car through the deserted streets briefly came under fire, but the source of the shooting could not be determined. The rival rebel force loyal to Charles Taylor was nowhere to be seen.

On Bushrod Island, several thousand hungry people stood in line in hope of buying a ticket that would get them a bag of rice. One woman said she had been waiting for three days.

A peace offering was issued by one of Doe's ministers, who asked that his name not be used. He said he wanted to talk to Johnson about possible ways to end the fighting, which has left hundreds of people dead.

The minister said the offer would include Doe's unconditional resignation and nomination of a provisional government. But he said he was acting on his own initiative, and had not advised Doe of his move.

Johnson, informed of the proposal at his headquarters in a roadside cafe on Bushrod Island, scorned the minister's offer and said he was interested only in deposing Doe, not in maneuvers to save himself.

''When I get him, he will be put on trial for killing Liberians,'' he said. ''But if he is convicted, we will imprison him for life. We will not kill him.''

Doe's forces massacred as many as 600 men, women and children in an attack on a Lutheran church on Sunday in an outburst of inter-tribal killing, according to the International Red Cross.

Johnson, a near-illiterate military leader who says he has no interest in becoming president, broke with Taylor and his National Patriotic Front of Liberia in February.

Taylor, a former government official who turned against Doe and launched his rebellion late last year, appears to have the larger of the two rebel forces, but Johnson struck into the capital earlier in the bid to unseat Doe.

The president is bunkered behind heavy fortification in his guarded executive mansion on the beach.

Diplomats in the beleaguered capital - which has been without water, electricity and food for almost a month - said the Johnson-Taylor rivalry might well prolong the Liberian conflict for weeks.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 4) UPI - Producers of the television series ''Law & Order,'' a new NBC-TV entry slated to begin in prime time this fall, offered a $5,000 reward Friday for the return of undeveloped film from the show, Universal Television said.

A carton containing 20 400-foot rolls of exposed negative film was one of three shipped via American Airlines Flight 165 July 21. When a Universal representative went to the airlines' freight office the following day to claim the boxes, only two had arrived.

Officials at the studio's shipping department received a telephone call July 31 from someone identifying himself as ''Charlie,'' who said he found the carton in an alley and inquired about a reward.

The shipping clerk said he did not know about any reward and the caller said he would call back. There has been no further contact, the company said.

Universal said if the film is not recovered, the production company must re-shoot a full day's schedule of scenes for the 13-episode series, which was to have completed production by next week.

Universal said it would pay $1,000 for any information leading to the recovery of the film and $5,000 for recovery of the film itself.

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MARTINEZ, CA (AUG. 4) UPI - Grateful Dead keyboardist Brent Mydland, who died of undetermined causes last month, excluded his two young daughters and his estranged wife from his will and his estate of about $2 million.

''I have intentionally omitted to provide for any person who is an heir of mine,'' the 37-year-old Mydland wrote in a will executed March 12, according to documents filed in Contra Costa County Superior Court.

Mydland, keyboardist, singer and composer with the Grateful Dead since 1979, was found dead July 26 in his home in Lafayette. The cause of death has not yet been determined.

His will, filed Thursday by attorney Ruth Dickerson, provides no benefits for Mydland's daughters Jennifer, 2, Jessica, 5, or his estranged wife, Lisa.

The estate, estimated at $2,163,700 including Mydland's $600,000 home, was left to the trusee of the estate. Mydland nominated James Whitmer, an old friend, as administrator of the estate.

The coroner's office said it was awaiting results of toxicological tests and said the cause of death would not be determined for at least a week.

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(AUG. 3) UPI - Thunderstorms rolled over the Great Lakes Saturday, triggering heavy rains and flooding streams, while scattered storms soaked the rain-weary Plains and dry Canadian air kept skies clear over New England.

The National Weather Service said thunderstorms and rainshowers stretched from western Michigan to the Dakotas, Nebraska and Iowa. Heavy rain covered southern Lake Michigan and the southern two-thirds of Wisconsin.

Thunderstorms with torrential rain, dangerous lightning and gusty winds whipped east-central Wisconsin near the Dells Valley, the NWS said.

Storms doused southeast Minnesota and the Iowa border. Some areas reported rainfall of between a half-inch to nearly to 1 1/4 inches in about 40 minutes, swelling small streams and bringing the threat of urban street

flooding.

Stationary thunderstorms drenched the Wind River Indian reservation in northwest Wyoming, bringing the threat of flash flooding as streams rose quickly and water raced down usually dry washes in the area.

A week of relentless rain in the Plains continued Saturday as storms swept over Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma. Flash flood watches were posted for 11 north Texas counties as thunderstorms roamed across the state's northwest corner.

Strong storms also were reported in the northeast Texas Panhandle, southern Oklahoma and northwest Arkansas, while scattered showers dumped rain from western Oklahoma to northeast New Mexico.

Dry Canadian air flowed across New England, keeping weather pleasant and skies clear across most of the region. Early morning temperatures ranged from 73 under clear skies in Boston and Providence, R.I., to 64 in Concord N.H.

Skies were partly cloudy Saturday in the mid-Atlantic states, with reading ranging from 73 in Newark, N.J., to 65 in Baltimore. Pittsburgh slipped to 63 overnight as fog formed along the Ohio, Allegheny and Monongahela rivers.

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(AUG. 4) UPI - Around the world... around the clock, U-P-I has the latest news.

President Bush is monitoring the situation in the Persian Gulf from the presidential retreat at Camp David this weekend. Bush scheduled an early morning meeting today with his top national security advisers to review U-S options for dealing with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Iraqi forces in Kuwait are approaching the Saudi Arabian border, but Iraq says it will begin pulling troops out of Kuwait by Sunday. The Iraqi government also says it will make sure the new regime it installed will remain in power, and it's warning other countries NOT to interfere.

Israel says it woN'T tolerate a threat to its national security and is warning Baghdad against any movement of Iraqi forces toward Jordan. Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy said yesterday that Israel should coordinate its activities with the United States and Western nations.

Congress has approved and sent to the White House a bill temporarily increasing the national debt limit to nearly three-point-two-BILLION

dollars. Treasury Department officials say the boost is necessary because the government will run out of borrowing authority in mid-August, while Congress is on vacation.

Also this morning on Capitol Hill, the House passed a compromise AIDS assistance package. The measure authorizes as much as 875-Million dollars next year to help local and state governments provide care for AIDS patients. The bill was sent to the Senate for final congressional action.

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TOKYO (AUG. 4) UPI - President Bush pressed Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu Saturday to join in imposing economic sanctions on Iraq in the wake of its invasion of neighboring Kuwait, foreign ministry officials said.

Bush asked Kaifu in a 20-minute telephone conversation Saturday morning to take actions against Iraq, including suspension of crude oil imports and a freezing of governmental loans to Iraq, the officials said.

Bush told Kaifu that Japan's cooperation in imposing economic sanctions against Iraq is needed to gain acceptance of a U.N. Security Council resolution calling for punitive measures against Iraq.

Kaifu said Japan is ready to implement sanctions but will wait until the Security Council issues a formal declaration.

The Japanese government Friday decided to freeze Kuwait's assets in Japan in response to a request by acting Kuwaiti ambassador to Japan Adel Hasan.

Japan, however, has decided whether to freeze $2.7 billion in aid commitments to Iraq and to halt bilateral trade, including imports of crude oil.

Last December, Japan agreed to resume providing Iraq with a total of $2.7 million in Japanese yen credits and government-insured export loans, suspended during the eight-year Iran-Iraq War.

The United States imposed a sweeping trade embargo Thursday to protest against the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, banning imports of oil and other goods from Iraq as well as nearly all exports to the Middle East nation.

The United States also froze all Kuwaiti assets in America.

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(AUG. 4) UPI - A government report says the drinking water in many American communities might be dangerous because federal and state officials have NOT enforced water quality regulations. The report also says there is evidence to indicate that many water test results have been falsified and manipulated.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere agreed yesterday that their nations will unite in time to hold all-German elections on October 14th. The move to speed up reunification is seen as an attempt to help salvage East Germany's crumbling economy.

Texas health officials say they're preparing to re-open the southern end of oil-stained Galveston Bay this weekend. The Coast Guard says much of the 500-thousand gallons of oil that was spilled one week ago has evaporated. But environmentalists remain concerned about sensitive marshlands in the northern part of the bay.

The jury deciding the fate of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry resumes deliberations today, after completing its first day of deliberations yesterday. Barry faces 14 federal drug and perjury counts. The mayor said yesterday he feels ''fantastic'' but he declined to comment on the case.

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City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	89	66	....
Anchorage cy	71	57	....
Asheville pc	85	65	....
Atlanta pc	87	71	....
Baltimore sy	89	64	....
Billings pc	83	59	....
Birmingham pc	92	70	....
Bismarck sy	86	51	....
Boston sy	92	72	....
Brownsville pc	95	78	....
Buffalo pc	88	64	....
Burlington Vt. sy	89	61	....
Charleston S.C.sy	82	78	.01
Charlotte pc	90	70	....
Chicago sh	87	69	.02
Cincinnati ts	86	62	....
Cleveland cy	82	64	....
Columbus Ohio cy	84	64	....
Dallas ts	90	74	.08
Denver pc	85	53	....

Des Moines pc	78	65	.12
Detroit ts	84	64	....
Duluth sy	86	60	.39
El Paso pc	92	67	....
Evansville ts	91	73	....
Fargo pc	91	53	....
Hartford sy	93	63	....
Honolulu sy	90	76	....
Houston pc	96	77	....
Indianapolis ts	85	70	....
Jackson Miss. pc	95	72	....
Jacksonville pc	90	72	....
Kansas City pc	81	68	.86
Las Vegas sy	106	79	....
Little Rock ts	93	77	....
Los Angeles pc	77	64	....
Louisville ts	90	68	....
Memphis ts	93	78	.22
Miami Beach ts	87	79	....
Milwaukee ts	85	65	.09
Minneapolis sy	84	63	.01
Nashville ts	93	71	....
New Orleans pc	90	73	.09
New York pc	93	71	....
Oklahoma City ts	90	67	1.85
Omaha sy	80	64	.15
Orlando ts	96	75	.57
Philadelphia pc	92	69	....
Phoenix fy	105	75	....
Pittsburgh pc	85	62	....
Portland Me. sy	91	61	....
Portland Ore. sy	90	64	....
Providence sy	90	64	....
Richmond sy	86	64	....
St. Louis sh	89	71	.06
Salt Lake City sy	90	60	....
San Antonio pc	92	77	....
San Diego pc	76	68	....
San Francisco pc	68	58	....
San Juan sy	91	76	....
Seattle sy	82	61	....
Spokane sy	86	60	....
Tampa ts	93	73	....
Washington sy	89	68	....
Wichita pc	87	67	.57

c-clear	cl-clearing	cy-cloudy	f-fair
fy-foggy	hz-haze	m-missing	pc-partly cloudy

r-rain sh-showers sm-smoke sn-snow
sy-sunny ts-thunderstorms w-windy

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#90216u0412 08/04/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 4) UPI - President Bush watched the highly charged stand-off in the Persian Gulf from the Camp David presidential retreat Saturday and pressed a personal diplomatic offensive while weighing stepped-up action against Iraq.

Bush met with his top national security advisers for several hours to monitor developments and review U.S. options amid little indication that the confrontation in the volatile region, sparked by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, was nearing an end.

The White House kept up a cautious ''wait and see'' attitude amid reports that Iraqi troops were moving toward the border of neighboring Saudi Arabia and word that Saudi Arabia had abruptly canceled an Arab summit aimed at resolving the international crisis.

Bush warned Friday that Iraqi penetration of Saudi Arabia could provoke U.S. intervention.

The president convened the meeting while spending the weekend at the secluded compound in the Cactoctin Mountains 50 miles from Washington. The Pentagon and a State Department task force also monitored the situation and a telephone line was kept open to the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait.

While reviewing the latest intelligence, Bush also continued his many conversations with world leaders. He pressed Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu by telephone Saturday morning to join in imposing economic sanctions on Iraq, including suspension of crude oil imports and a freezing of governmental loans.

In Tokyo, foreign ministry officials said Bush had emphasized Japan's cooperation was needed to gain acceptance of a U.N. Security Council resolution calling for punitive measures against Iraq.

Earlier Saturday morning, the Senate approved an amendment giving Bush the authority to restrict imports to the United States from nations that continue to trade with Iraq and confirmed a new ambassador to Kuwait, Edward William Gnehm.

Meeting with Bush was Vice President Dan Quayle, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Gen. Colin Powell, national security adviser Brent Scowcroft and White House chief of staff John Sununu.

Secretary of State James Baker, who just returned from Moscow where the two superpowers issued a joint statement condemning the Iraqi invasion, also joined the group.

''We're following it closely,'' Bush said. ''We've got many diplomatic channels open.''

Bush held a similar session Friday morning, gathering top aides for a discussion of U.S. efforts to date and their economic implications, as well as possible moves in the future should the situation deteriorate further. After the meeting, he said, ''All options are open - economic and otherwise.''

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater called it ''a consultation phase that's underway. How long it might take, we don't know. ... Remember that the situation is still unfolding.''

With U.S. warships near the gulf but U.S. military options limited, Bush imposed a trade embargo against Iraq and froze all Baghdad assets in the United States. As a precautionary measure, he also froze Kuwaiti assets and urged all nations to join a U.N.-sponsored worldwide economic boycott of Iraq.

He also warned that if Iraq made a move against neighboring Saudi Arabia, he would ''be inclined to help in any way we possibly can. It's that serious.''

Saudi Arabia is the major Middle East exporter of oil to the United States and is on tiny Kuwait's southern border at the head of the Persian Gulf. The State Department reported Iraqi troops were within miles of the border.

The United States told its NATO allies in Brussels that it would ''not stand by'' if Iraq extends hostilities beyond the invasion of Kuwait, and was preparing contingency plans in case Iraqi President Saddam Hussein made such a move.

With the United States beefing up its forces in the region, officials said Bush was reviewing U.S. military options that include tactical air strikes against Iraqi invasion troops, bombing runs into Iraq or a naval blockade of Iraqi oil exports in the Persian Gulf.

Word also arrived late Friday that Iraq had promised to begin withdrawing troops on Sunday, but White House officials were cautious. Bush just hours earlier issued a direct challenge to Hussein: ''Let's see him haul them out right now.''

Also still unknown were the whereabouts of up to 14 American oil workers

in Kuwait. The administration pressed Baghdad for answers on Friday.

Bush said, ''We have no reports of Americans being held against their will '' but, ''that is a matter of importance to us.''

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Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Aug. 4:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen pc	1pm	68	20
Amsterdam c	1pm	92	34
Ankara c	3pm	79	26
Athens c	2pm	90	32
Auckland r	12a	57	14
Beijing c	8pm	83	28
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	87	30
Bonn c	1pm	94	35
Brussels pc	1pm	95	35
Cairo c	2pm	97	36
Casablanca c	12n	98	37
Copenhagen c	1pm	77	25
Dakar pc	12n	83	29
Dublin pc	1pm	64	18
Geneva c	1pm	82	28
Helsinki c	2pm	76	25
Hong Kong cy	8pm	84	29
Jerusalem c	2pm	91	33
Karachi cy	5pm	87	31
Lisbon c	1pm	89	32
London pc	1pm	90	32
Madrid c	1pm	89	32
Malta c	1pm	87	31
Manila cy	8pm	87	31
Moscow pc	3pm	73	23
Nairobi cy	3pm	-	-
Nassau c	7am	85	29
New Delhi pc	6pm	88	31
Nice c	1pm	84	29
Oslo pc	1pm	72	22
Paris c	1pm	95	35
Pretoria pc	2pm	68	20
Riyadh c	3pm	109	43

Rome c	1pm	86	30
Seoul c	9pm	82	28
Sofia pc	2pm	75	24
Stockholm cy	1pm	80	27
Sydney c	10pm	53	12
Taipei pc	8pm	80	27
Tokyo cy	9pm	82	28
Tunis pc	1pm	81	27
Vienna c	1pm	81	27
Warsaw c	1pm	78	26

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	-	-
Caracas c	8am	69	21
Havana c	7am	77	25
Lima cy	7am	59	15
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	67	19
Santiago cy	8am	43	-06

Canada

Calgary c		74	23
Edmonton pc		75	23
Montreal pc		85	29
Ottawa pc		87	30
Regina pc		71	21
Toronto pc		84	28
Vancouver c		75	24
Winnipeg pc		81	27

c-clear cy-cloudy d-dust fy-foggy
hz-haze pc-partly cloudy r-rain s-snow
w-windy

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#90216u0439 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 4) UPI - The jury weighing drug and perjury charges against Mayor Marion Barry met Saturday to deliberate the 14 federal counts that could result in a prison sentence for the three-term mayor.

The jurors met for 6 1/2 hours Friday, completing their first full day of deliberations after receiving final instructions and meeting for about 40 minutes Thursday afternoon.

The panel of nine women and three men, sequestered since June 18, opted to deliberate four more hours Saturday rather than take the weekend off, said U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson. Deliberations began at 10 a.m.

The identities of the jurors - 10 blacks and two whites - were revealed Thursday from a pool of 18 jurors and alternates who sat through more than six weeks of testimony.

Barry spent Friday afternoon at Catholic University with high school students from across the city who serve as representatives of the Marion Barry Youth Leadership Institute.

''I feel fantastic,'' said Barry, who refused to comment on the case.

Jurors sent a note to Jackson late Friday asking to review an exhibit concerning government witness Doris Crenshaw, whose testimony dealt with the 12th of the 14 counts.

He also said jurors could come into the courtroom to look at a large magnetic chart on which prosecutors had detailed dates of Barry's alleged drug use with 10 government witnesses during the nine-week trial.

The witnesses said Barry used cocaine or obtained the drug in 20 homes, 15 hotels, four boats and two government offices in the District of Columbia, Atlanta, the Virgin Islands and the Bahamas, dating to 1983.

Barry, 54, is charged with three felony counts of perjury, 10 misdemeanor counts of cocaine possession and a single misdemeanor count of conspiracy to possess cocaine. If convicted of all counts, he could be sentenced to a maximum 26 years in prison and fined $1.85 million.

Defense attorney R. Kenneth Mundy said he believed jurors would be relocated after a federal drug sting operation Thursday night went awry in the suburban Maryland parking lot of the hotel where the jurors secretly had been sequestered.

Helicopters and officers on the ground searched around the hotel for three hours Thursday night and Friday before calling off a search for Brian Lee Tribble, who was acquitted in 1987 of charges he supplied the fatal dose of cocaine to University of Maryland basketball star Len Bias. Tribble, wanted in connection with an undercover federal drug investigation, was not captured.

Peter Gruden, a special agent with the federal Drug Enforcement Administration, said the location of the sting was ''purely coincidental.''

Jackson said he had been assured jurors were ''oblivious'' to the activities, but Mundy said he feared it could have prejudiced the jury. One of the counts against Barry stemmed from a Jan. 18 FBI drug sting at a Washington hotel.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 5) UPI - National standards are needed to ensure that DNA ''fingerprinting'' - a controversial, high-tech means of identification - can be used reliably in the courtroom, a congressional report said Saturday.

Analysts from the congressional Office of Technology Assessment found that tests of deoxyribonucleic acid, or DNA, can be an accurate way to identify people when properly performed. But the OTA report warned that because of the lack of technical and procedural standards, serious questions remain about the reliability of any individual test result.

DNA is the genetic material that makes up our chromosomes and contains the instructions for all life. No two people, except for identical twins, share exactly the same DNA.

If done properly, DNA fingerprinting compares the genetic material from two sources, such as hair or semen, and if their chemical patterns match, estimates the likelihood of such a match occurring by chance. Firms that perform such tests have estimated the odds of wrongly matching one person's DNA with another individual's to be one in a billion.

Since 1986, DNA fingerprinting has been used by police in more than 2,000 investigations in the United States, and results of such tests have been admitted into evidence in at least 185 criminal cases in 38 states, the OTA said. The technique also has been used in thousands of non-criminal cases concerning paternity disputes.

''No disadvantages of DNA testing technologies themselves were identified '' the OTA said in its 196-page report. ''DNA testing can save law enforcement and courts time and money by exonerating innocent suspects before trial or through plea bargaining for guilty parties.''

But OTA investigators pointed out that, like other biological identification tests such as for blood or hair, DNA typing has its limitations and does not provide conclusive identification in every case.

''Questions, many stemming from actual court cases, underscore the need to set technical and procedural standards for DNA testing now,'' the OTA said in a statement.

Laboratory mistakes, such as contamination, mislabeling or erroneous readings of DNA patterns, can create mix-ups. Critics also have cited the lack of knowledge about genetic patterns among groups that tend to intermarry as another reason genetic typing should proceed with caution.

Rep. Don Edwards, D-Calif., praised the findings of the new report, adding that he thinks the FBI, National Institute of Standards and Technology, civil liberties experts and perhaps Congress should play a role in developing the guidelines.

''Strict federal standards are needed to ensure the accuracy of DNA tests in criminal cases. After all, a DNA test can put someone in jail for life or send someone to the electric chair,'' said Edwards, chairman of the House subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights.

Phil Gutis, a spokesman for the American Civil Liberties Union in New York said the report ''appears to correctly recognize our concern that there may be an abuse of civil liberties involved with DNA testing.''

The ACLU does not think that results of DNA typing should be the sole evidence used to prosecute a suspected criminial, Gutis said. ''We don't think this is as reliable as a (traditional) fingerprint yet,'' he added.

The ACLU is opposed to plans by the FBI and some states to create banks of genetic information on certain types of convicted criminals, such as rapists. And Edwards said, ''I have serious reservations about actually storing the DNA. That would be subject to abuse.''

OTA, the analytical arm of Congress, conducted the study at the request of the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee.

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WOONSOCKET, R.I. (AUG. 4) UPI - An alleged bigamist was ordered held Saturday on charges he tried to murder one wife with a car bomb so he could move in with his 20-year-old second spouse and avoid divorce proceedings, police said.

Ronald M. Harnois, 40, of Woonsocket, was ordered held on $50,000 cash after his arraignment at the city police station on a charge of assault with intent to murder his wife of 6 1/2 years, Joanne Harnois, 36.

Harnois was arraigned before a bail commissioner on two counts of assault with a dangerous weapon, bigamy, and filing a false document, police said.

The second wife, Tammy Petrin of Woonsocket, allegedly conspired in the plot to kill Joanne Harnois. She was released on $1,000 cash bail and was said to be helping police with their case.

''She is a cooperating defendant at this point,'' police Cmdr. Rodney Remblad said.

Remblad said Petrin, an assembly line worker, and her husband's first wife a waitress, had been friends for about a year before the failed bombing attempt Wednesday night. The two sometimes went bowling and fishing together, he said.

According to police, Ronald Harnois, who drives a truck for a pizza company, married Petrin in May 1989 without telling her he was already married and without letting his first wife know of his second relationship.

Petrin found out two months after her marriage in district court that her new husband had a previous wife, but Joanne Harnois did not know her husband was a bigamist until police arrested him Friday, Remblad said.

''She was sobbing,'' the commander said. ''She was upset. I would describe her as being depressed. She is totally out of it.''

Ronald Harnois allegedly strapped a device consisting of six half-foot pipe bombs to the undercarriage of his wife Joanne's Chevrolet Cavalier hatchback. The bombs were designed to explode in a chain reaction and ignite the gas tank, Remblad said.

But only one of the bombs went off around 11 p.m. Wednesday as Harnois was driving to nearby Millville, Mass., to pick up her husband, Remblad said.

The blast ripped numerous holes in the gas tank, flattened the right rear tire, and smashed some nearby plate-glass windows. Harnois escaped injury and ran to call police.

Police arrested Ronald Harnois and Petrin late Friday afternoon as they were walking together. Harnois wanted to kill Joanne Harnois so he could avoid divorce proceedings and live with Petrin, Remblad said.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 4) UPI - Andrew Young, lagging in the polls in his bid to become Georgia's first black governor, took to the streets Saturday in a plea to voters before Tuesday's historic runoff against Lt. Gov. Zell Miller.

Young, who has had trouble building the uniform black support he needs to win the Democratic nomination, attended a minority contractors' breakfast and planned to mingle at the Atlanta Jazz Festival in search of votes.

''He is out on the streets today doing as much as he can to shake hands and talk to the voters,'' said Lee Echols, press secretary to the former Atlanta mayor. ''We are planning on surprising the experts on Tuesday, and Andy is working extremely hard this weekend to make sure that happens.''

Flat-bed trucks and vans with hundreds of Young campaign workers took off from his headquarters to fan out in a get-out-the vote blitz Saturday morning, Echols said.

Young faces Miller in the Aug. 7 runoff election because neither candidate was able to garner a majority of the vote in a July 17 Democratic primary, in which Miller finished first by more than 10 percentage points.

Recent newspaper and television polls show Miller has widened his lead to 20 points with less than 12 percent of the vote undecided.

The winner of the runoff faces the Republican nominee, state Rep. Johnny Isakson, in November to determine the successor to Gov. Joe Frank Harris, leaving office after serving the maximum two terms allowed by law.

Isakson would be Georgia's first GOP governor in 122 years if he beats the Democratic nominee.

Miller, whose campaign has been bolstered by the popularity of his chief campaign promise - the establishment of Georgia's first lottery - planned a more relaxed schedule Saturday.

The 16-year veteran of the lieutenant governor's office rode in the annual Georgia Mountain Fair parade near his hometown of Young Harris and planned to spend the rest of the day and much of Sunday preparing for a final televised debate scheduled for Sunday night.

On Monday, both candidates planned a final fly-around the state with news conferences scheduled for the major media markets of Albany, Augusta, Columbus, Savannah, Macon and Atlanta.

''Andy will just continue to emphasize his vision for Georgia, a vision of better education, a stronger economy, better health care and strong individual rights for all Georgians,'' Echols said about Young's final campaign messages. Young, following in the footsteps of the nation's first black elected governor, Virginia's Douglas Wilder, has identified himself as a supporter of abortion rights.

However, a poll published Friday in the Atlanta Journal-Consitution, said no one issue in the Young platform has succeeded in rallying voter interest like Miller's backing of a state lottery to benefit educational improvements.

The telephone poll of 1,097 likely Democratic voters showed Miller leading 54 percent to 34 percent with a week to go before the runoff.

Young received almost three-quarters of the black vote, according to the

poll, but less than a quarter of the white vote. Miller, meanwhile, continued to draw a larger than anticipated share of the black vote at 14 percent.

Merle Black, an Emory University political scientist, said a Miller victory appears inevitable, barring a major upset.

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#90216u0525 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency reports in a dispatch from Baghdad that Iraqi troops will begin withdrawing from Kuwait tomorrow. The White House says it's taking a ''wait-and-see'' attitude toward the report. President Bush is meeting with his top Cabinet officials at Camp David today to discuss the crisis and make contignency plans.

The Arab world remains divided about Iraq's action. King Hussein of Jordan has met with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein in Baghdad. Jordan's ruler says the Iraqi leader agreed to a mini-summit tomorrow with him, Egyptian President Mubarak, the deposed emir of Kuwait and Saudi Arabian King Fahd. Hussein says he hopes the meeting will lead to an Arab solution to the crisis.

U-S gasoline prices are up as much as 14 cents a gallon... following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. The steep jump has prompted cries of price-gouging. Nationwide, self-serve unleaded yesterday was averaging about one dollar-11 a gallon. Texas is setting up a special task force to investigate and prosecute price-gouging in the state.

The General Accounting Office says drinking water in many U-S communities might be dangerous because federal and state officials are failing to enforce water quality laws. The agency says many water systems... particulary in smaller communities... violate standards for drinking water. It cites a potential for health problems stemming from ''man-made chemicals'' in the water system.

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#90216u0535 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - A 19-year veteran of the Philadelphia police force has been suspended without pay for 10 days after failing to help a homeless woman who was literally freezing to death in December. About an hour after Raymond Ruczynski reported on December 16th that the woman was drunk and had refused assistance... 59-year-old Mary Dennis was found frozen to death on a bench.

The leaders of East and West Germany... who have been pushing the

unification of Germany at a pace some might consider rapid... say their nations will unite two months earlier than previously announced. The decision to speed up the merger after 41 years of division is seen as a bid to prevent the total collapse of East Germany's rapidly crumbling economy.

A white farmer wants to donate 40 acres in northern Michigan to help establish a settlement of black families in a region where few blacks live. 68-year-old Albert Legato moved to the area in 1959 from Detroit. He says his plan would give blacks an opportunity to get away from the city and its urban problems and would expose whites to a different culture.

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#90216u0561 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (AUG. 4) UPI - Defense Minister Moshe Arens said Saturday he did not believe the Jewish state was Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's next target but warned that Israel would act if Iraq entered Jordan.

''I have no doubt that Saddam will not stop with the occupation of Kuwait. He will look for additional targets,'' Arens told Israel Radio, but added, ''He knows that Israel is not Kuwait. Israel is also not Saudi Arabia.''

Arens criticized as inadequate the response of many nations, including the United States, to Iraq's invasion and called for stronger measures to further isolate Iraq economically and politically.

Citing as an example Saddam's threat earlier this year to wipe out half of Israel with chemical weapons if it attacked Iraq or another Arab nation, Arens said at the time he warned that Western inaction would encourage the Iraqi president.

''I think this time the international community must respond effectively to make sure Saddam cannot get away with it,'' said Arens, who described the Iraqi president as a ''little Hitler.''

Since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Thursday, Israeli leaders have reaffirmed their view that movement by Iraqi forces toward or entrance into Jordan would necessitate action.

''The moment we believe that we are about to witness a general strategic change, such as entry of Iraqi forces into Jordan, we shall act. This has been Israeli policy for very many years,'' Arens said. ''I am confident in our ability to deter him.''

Asked whether he believed the Americans were taken by surprise by the Iraqi invasion, Arens said, ''I think it was a case of wishful thinking.''

''They did not want to see the cruel truth. They did not want to read Saddam Hussein as he really is despite all the data that was open and visible,'' Arens said, referring to intelligence information and other sources.

Slightly more than a week before Iraqi forces invaded Kuwait, Arens told the Israeli Parliament's Defense and Foreign Affairs Committee the possibility of war in the Middle East was higher than when he last was defense minister in 1983.

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#90216u0571 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 4) UPI - The Senate passed legislation Saturday that will allow Pentagon intelligence operatives for the first time to operate commercial businesses as cover for their activities.

The permission was contained in the 1991 intelligence authorization bill, which provides a classified figure for the operation of the nation's intelligence agencies.

Most of the money is salted away in secret portions of the defense bill, and some estimates suggest about $30 billion is devoted to the operations of the CIA, the code-breaking and electronic communications intercepting National Security Agency, FBI counterintelligence work, Energy Department intelligence operations, the intelligence arms of the three branches of service and the Defense Intelligence Agency.

While the CIA long has been able to operate under the cover of commercial firms overseas, the Pentagon's spies have been unable to do so. The bill also lets them have domestic commercial operations to the extent necessary to back up their overseas efforts. Any profits must be turned over to the Treasury.

In the only portions of the bill in which cost figures are made public, the legislation provides $29.5 million for salaries for the group of employees who operate to coordinate intelligence data as part of a communal intelligence adminsitrative operation. And the bill says $164.6 million will be set aside for the CIA's retirement account.

In addition, the legislation contains language dealing with pension rights for divorced spouses of CIA employees.

The measure cleared on a voice vote during a marathon defense bill session early Saturday morning.

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#90216u0607 08/04/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 4) UPI - President Bush is keeping tabs on the situation in the Persian Gulf from the presidential retreat at Camp David. Bush will meet with national security experts this morning to review U-S options for dealing with the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Israel is also monitoring Iraqi troop movements and says any advance toward Jordan will be viewed as a direct threat to Israel. The Israeli foreign minister yesterday said his country will do whatever is necessary to protect its security interests.

U-S gas prices are up as much as 14 cents a gallon following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Industry and consumer groups say oil companies are raising prices out of ''self-interest'' and there is NO reason for higher prices at this time.

Congress approved and sent to President Bush an oil spill bill that would increase tanker operators' liability for any oil spills. The legislation also establishes a federal trust fund for clean-up and victim compensation.

Parts of Galveston Bay in Texas were re-opened to fishing this morning after health officials gave the O-K. Environmentalists say the worst is yet to come from a 500-thousand-gallon oil spill that occurred one week ago.

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#90216u0610 08/04/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 4) UPI - The House this morning passed an AIDS assistance package to help local and state governments cope with the growing number of AIDS patients. The 875-Million-dollar bill now goes to the Senate for final congressional action.

In an effort to save East Germany from its own ravaged economy, the leaders of the two Germanys agreed yesterday to speed up reunification. They want East and West Germany united in time to hold all-German elections October 14th.

Civil war is raging in the West African country of Liberia. Rebel leader Prince Johnson's guerrillas battled government troops loyal to President Samuel Doe in the capital city of Monrovia yesterday.

A jury in Milwaukee awarded Philadelphia Phillies infielder Randy Ready and his family 24-point-seven-Million dollars. The panel ruled a doctor is responsible for prescribing diet pills that caused Ready's wife to suffer a disabling heart attack.

Nearly 200 Soviet Jewish children from cities near Chernobyl arrived in

Israel yesterday to receive treatment for any health problems relating to the 1986 nuclear disaster.

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#90216u0643 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - Iraq's intentions for a conquered Kuwait became clearer today, as Baghdad announced plans to form a Kuwaiti army to defend the so-called ''Provisional Free Kuwaiti government.'' The reports come in total defiance of global demands that Baghdad immediately depart from its oil-rich neighbor.

Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein reportedly has agreed to attend a mini-summit tomorrow with King Hussein of Jordan, Saudi King Fahd and Egyptian President Mubarak. The deposed emir of Kuwait was scheduled to attend, but said he would NOT meet Saddam until all Iraqi troops leave his homeland.

A newspaper report today from Egypt says the Iraqi military executed 120 army officers who refused to participate in the invasion of Kuwait. The report says the 120 officers were executed yesterday because they did NOT want to attack a fellow Arab nation.

In addition to higher gasoline prices at the pump... another result of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait is a move by the Senate aimed at requiring the United States to import NO more than half its energy needs. The measure was adopted yesterday without opposition on a voice vote, and now must be approved by the House.

Authorities in Texas today reopened portions of Galveston Bay to fishing... one week after a barge-ship collision dumped 500-thousand gallons of heavy crude oil into the waterway. Environmentalists are expressing concern for marshlands in the northern reaches of the bay, saying oil lingers beneath the surface.

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#90216u0664 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - A Kuwaiti envoy in Cairo says the emir of Kuwait will NOT meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein until all Iraqi troops withdraw from Kuwait. The Kuwaiti emir had been scheduled to attend a mini-summit in Saudi Arabia tomorrow with Saddam, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, King Hussein of Jordan and Saudi King Fahd.

Iraq says it will begin withdrawing its troops from Kuwait tomorrow. But the Egyptian Middle East News Agency quotes Baghdad Radio as saying Iraq plans to form a Kuwaiti army that will ensure the stability of the new regime Iraq set up in the tiny oil-rich nation. British and U-S oil sources say the Iraqi invasion force has moved to within five to 10 miles

of Kuwait's border with Saudi Arabia.

The House passed a campaign finance reform bill, but rejected an amendement that would've allowed some public financing of congressional elections for the first time. The amendment was a major part of the Democrats' version of the bill, which also contains modest limits on political action committee donations. The Senate already has passed its own campaign finance reform bill.

Lawmakers took steps to guard against another major oil spill similar to the 1989 Exxon Valdez disaster. Congress approved and sent to the White House legislation that would require double hulls on tankers and would make tanker operators more liable for oil spills. The bill also would set up a one-BILLION-dollar federal trust fund for clean-up operations and victim compensation.

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(AUG. 4) UPI - Police in Sri Lanka say Tamil rebels rampaged through a Moslem town in the eastern part of the country last night, killing at least 150 people and wounding 100 others. Authorities say the rebels attacked while villagers were praying at two mosques. It's being called one of the worst rebel attacks ever. The rebels are battling the government for an independent Tamil homeland on the island nation in the Indian Ocean.

The jury in the drug and perjury trial of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry enters its second day of deliberations today. The jurors met for six-and-a-half hours yesterday and asked Judge Thomas Jackson if they could review one of the trial's exhibits. The 54-year-old Barry faces 14 federal counts that could result in a jail term.

The House passed and sent to the White House a bill that would impose new restrictions on exports of timber logged on public lands. President Bush is expected to sign the measure aimed at saving thousands of Pacific Northwest lumber mill jobs. Under the bill, NO more than 25 percent of logs harvested on federal lands in the West, except in Washington state, would be allowed to be sold overseas.

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#90216u0722 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - SATURDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Football

Pittsburgh - Named Jack Henry assistant offensive line coach.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 4) UPI - The Senate, risking a veto, made major changes Saturday in the ''Star Wars'' anti-missile program in a drive to pass a $289 billion Pentagon budget bill representing the first deep military cuts after the Cold War.

The bill, a full $18 billion under the initial Pentagon budget, was due for a final vote late in the day.

A major feature was the rescue of the B-2 stealth bomber from a growing move to kill the $63 billion 75-plane program. The bill has $4.6 billion in research funds and money to build two more of the radar-evading planes. The House bill ends the program at the 15 planes now on order from Northrop Corp.

Final debate centered on proposals to cut or alter the shape of the Strategic Defense Initiative missile defense program.

With the backing of Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., the powerful chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, and the bill's floor leader, Sens. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., and Richard Shelby, D-Ala., won a key 54-44 vote to cut back sharply on the space-based element of the program's first phase. The tally was largely along party lines.

They cut the $329 billion sought for the ''brilliant pebbles'' - small space interceptors to find and kill missiles - to the $129 million being spent this year. They would increase the emphasis on long-term projects such as lasers and boost work on protections against accidental missile launches.

And with Iraq's military conquests in the headlines, Sen. John Warner, R-Va., got a 97-1 vote to urge that up to $300 million of the $3.57 billion in Pentagon funds for SDI be earmarked for finding ways to protect against shorter range tactical ballistic missiles that are a growing threat in the Third World, including Iraq. The missiles can carry chemical biological and nuclear weapons.

SDI was begun by President Ronald Reagan in 1983. The goal is to let the president decide in 1993 whether to proceed with deployment. Some $20 billion already has been spent, and it is expected to cost at least $60 billion for the first phase. It has produced phenominal advances in miniaturization but the leak-proof missile defense concept first advanced has long since been abandoned. Advocates say it could raise the uncertainty that an attack could succeed high enough to deter a nuclear strike.

''The time has come for a structural change, a reordering of priorities within the program rather than a stopgap or half-brained approach,'' said Shelby.

An angry Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said President Bush will veto the bill over the Bingaman-Shelby amendment.

''This would emasculate this nation's ability to defend itself against the greatest threat we face today, the proliferation of ballistic missiles (in Third World nations like Iraq),'' said McCain.

Nunn said he wanted to ''send a clear policy message'' with the vote. ''I do not believe Phase One is an affordable system, with brilliant pebbles or without it. We ought to send them a message and tell them to get off this kick of a 1993 deployment decision.''

The administration wanted $4.6 billion for SDI but Nunn's committee cut it back by about $1 billion. The House bill has just $2.9 billion for SDI.

The Senate killed, 56-41, an amendment to cut $600 million from SDI and send it back to the Treasury and killed, 54-43, one to cut $400 million and give half to the drug war and half to veterans' programs.

The defense bill reflects both the lessened threat in Eastern Europe and from the Soviet Union as well as the intense domestic budget pressures.

It must be reconciled in a conference committee with the $283 billion version that is due on the House floor in early September.

The bill provides broad policy guidance and permission for spending in various programs. A later appropriations bill actually funds the Pentagon's bank accounts. That bill will total $297 billion, a higher figure because bills are coming due now for projects approved in previous years.

Key features of the Senate bill include:

-Cutting 100,000 troops from the all volunteer force, half to come from Europe, along with a package of benefits for those who get pink slips. It also has a 3.5 percent pay raise and cuts civilian employment by 47,000.

-The first effort to throw the Pentagon into the war to save the environment with a $200 million account for environmental research.

-Holding up the SSN-21 Seawolf attack submarines for more development and instead bying two more of the SSN-688 Los Angeles class submarines. It also has $1.2 billion for an 18th and final Trident ballistic missile

submarine.

-Refusal to provide $1.5 billion in procurement money for the Navy's new A-12 attack jet, a replacement for the aging A-6.

-Termination of $40 billion Milstar communications satellite program with the elimination of the 1991 request of $1.1 billion.

-Inclusion of research money for the V-22 Osprey tilt-rotor plane, a project the Pentagon has sought to kill. It also holds the Army's new light helicopter and the Air Force's new Advanced Tactical Fighter in the research and development stage.

-Refused $1.3 billion in procurement funds to put the 10-warhead MX missile on rail cars, leaving it in research pending the outcome of arms talks that will affect both the rail MX and the truck-mounted one-warhead Midgetman missile.

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#90216u0798 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - President Bush held another top-level review of the Persian Gulf situation this morning, with his national security advisers flying to the Camp David mountain retreat for the session. The meeting was billed as another review of current developments in Kuwait and along the Saudi Arabian border. Bush is reviewing U-S options for a response to the Iraqi conquest of its tiny neighbor.

There are new charges of price-gouging on gasoline in cities across the nation. Gas prices soared as much as 14 cents a gallon, while a nation-wide survey of 14-hundred gas stations by the American Automobile Association showed a rise of four cents a gallon in two days. It put the average price of self-serve unleaded regular at one dollar 11 and one-half cents a gallon.

The House approved on a voice vote and sent to the Senate a compromise bill on AIDS assistance. The approval early today authorized as much as 875-Million dollars next year to help state and local governments deal with the health crisis. The Senate is expected to give final congressional aproval to the bill, which also is expected to be signed into law by President Bush.

Authorities today re-opened portions of Galveston Bay to fishing, even though environmentalists say they fear much of the oil from a spill a week ago is still lurking beneath the surface. A barge-ship collision last week sent about 500-thousand gallons of oil into the bay. Environmentalists are voicing growing concern over the effect of the spill on sensitive marshlands in the northern reaches of the bay.

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#90216u0828 08/04/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 4) UPI - Relatives of three U.S. oilfield workers taken prisoner in Kuwait rejoiced at their release Saturday, but other families waited anxiously for news of up to 11 other petroleum workers and 20 tanker crewmen who may be held by invading Iraqi forces.

Paula Czap, daughter of Raynard Walterscheid, 52, of Jacksboro, Texas, said the State Department called the family's home near Fort Worth Saturday afternoon to say her father had been released.

''Raynard is at the Rashad Hotel in Baghdad. They gave us the phone number and we're trying to get hold of him right now,'' she said.

The wife of oil worker Edward Hale, 52, of Spring, Texas, near Houston, said the State Department Saturday afternoon confirmed her husband also was safe a Baghdad hotel.

The State Department in Washington said at least three of the 14 employees of U.S. oil companies believed have been taken by Iraq during Thursday's invasion were taken to Baghdad and released. Five other Americans were apparently also taken to Baghdad and were expected to be freed later in the day.

Shipping executives in Bahrain said Iraqi troops captured 20 American crew off a tanker docked in Kuwait, but a spokesman for the State Department task force monitoring the situation said he could not confirm that report.

The State Department did not release the names of the captive oilfield workers, who officials said worked for three oil companies. Relatives identified three of them as being from Texas.

The family of Charles Amos of Harmony, Texas, said they had not received any news.

''We're very hopeful, with the news that some people have been released,'' said David Amos, son of Charles Amos. ''Things are looking better all the time and we're much more hopeful now.''

Walterscheid's wife, Marjorie, said she got only ''a little bit of sleep'' Friday night after State Department officials indicated prematurely that three of the Americans in Iraqi custody had been released. Officials were unable to confirm the report for more than 12 hours.

Walterscheid, a drilling superintendent, and Amos, 59, both work for the Santa Fe Drilling Co. subsidiary of Sante Fe International and Kuwait Oil

Co., Kuwait's state-owned oil company.

Marjorie Walterscheid said her husband had been working since March at an exploration site near the Ahmadi in northern Kuwait. Sante Fe Drilling told the family that Walterscheid had been on the phone with company officials when he said Iraqi soldiers had arrived and the phone line went dead. Walterscheid had been expected to return from Kuwait Aug. 17, said his daughter, Paula Czap of Lawton, Okla.

Hale, who works through OGE Drilling Inc. in Houston, was in Kuwait as a rig supervisor for Kuwait Oil Co.

Patricia Hale said she last talked with her husband a couple of days before the invasion.

Hale and Walterscheid both worked for American oil companies in Iran before the fall of the shah and the takeover of the U.S. Embassy there in 1976, family members said.

The State Department said it was pressing Iraq for more information and had a commitment from the Iraqi government to safeguard the more than 3,000 Americans who are believed to be in Kuwait.

Santa Fe Drilling Co. of Alhambra, Calif., said eight of its employees were taken: six Americans, one Canadian and one British citizen.

Halliburton Co. of Dallas, an oil field services company, said it had not been able to account for one American and one British employee out of 16 workers in Kuwait, the rest of the employees were believed to have safely fled the country.

''We're currently not open for business right now in Kuwait,'' said Guy Marcus, a Halliburton spokesman.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 4) UPI - Former Mayor Jane Byrne may return from political retirement to challenge Mayor Richard Daley in his 1991 re-election bid, the Chicago Sun-Times reported in its Sunday editions.

''I've been getting encouragement from throughout the city, from blacks, Hispanics, white ethinics,'' Byrne told the newspaper.

Byrne, who is ''leaning strongly'' toward opposing Daley, said she will make a formal announcement this fall about her political future.

Byrne said several reasons have increased the possibility that she may

return to politics, including the strong recovery of her husband, Jay McMullen, from lung cancer.

The former mayor, who considered running on the Republican ticket in the 1987 and 1989 mayoral elections, said she would challenge Daley in the Democratic primary if she ran.

''I'm a Democrat,'' Byrne said.

Her attempt to unseat Daley would be Byrne's second try at recapturing the mayoral office she held from 1979 through 1983. The former mayor narrowly lost the office to Harold Washington in the 1983 Democratic primary. She lost to Washington again in a 1987 rematch.

Byrne, who edged out Daley by 43,396 votes for second place in the 1983 Democratic primary, said she could beat him again.

''I've already beaten him once,'' she said. ''(Daley's) numbers in the polls are always soft,'' Byrne added.

Daley, who was elected mayor after the death of Washington, said he would not feel threatened by Byrne's challenge and said he is optimistic about holding on to his mayoral status.

''Is she really running?'' Daley asked.

Alderman Richard Mell, a former Byrne ally who now supports Daley, said that Byrne is not afraid to fight, but that it could be a hard battle against Daley.

''Jane is feisty, smart and she still has charisma, but I think that she will have a rough time with Daley,'' Mell said.

''But she's not afraid to barge into a fight, and she's at her best as an underdog,'' he added.

Another alderman, Danny Davis, said Byrne would have a good chance against Daley ''if she could get Daley into a one-on-one contest.''

''Jane Byrne has the ability to create a tremendous amount of excitement, and she could even do it without a great deal of resources because of her name recognition and because of her style.'

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(AUG. 4) UPI - A major blow today for diplomatic efforts aimed at resolving the international crisis caused by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Saudi Arabia abruptly canceled a mini Arab summit scheduled for tomorrow in the Saudi city of Jeddah. Senior Arab sources in Cairo say arrangements for the event fell apart and they gave NO specific reason for the collapse.

The cancellation comes amide report that Iraqi troops have advanced dangerously close to Saudi Arabia. But diplomatic and Arab sources are skeptical about one report that Iraqi troops have entered a neutral zone between Kuwait and Saudi Arabia and abducted oil workers. The Iraqi New Agency also denies the claim.

Meanwhile, Iraq announced plans to form a Kuwaiti army to defend the regime it installed in the conquered emirate. Iraqi television claimed that about 100-thousand Kuwaitis had flocked to enlist. Radio Baghdad says the new government decided to form a ''popular army to back up its national aims.''

President Bush is closely monitoring the developments in the Persian Gulf from the secluded Camp David presidential retreat. Bush met with his top national security advisers this morning to review U-S options. The president warned yesterday that Iraqi penetration of Saudi Arabia could provoke U-S intervention.

A defense official in Sri Lanka reports a bloodbath by Tamil rebels. Authorities say rebels attacked a Moslem farm town in the eastern part of the country... firing on villagers as they knelt in prayer at two mosques. At least 150 people were killed and more than 100 others were wounded.

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#90216u0876 08/04/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 4) UPI - The Senate is making a final push to finish work on a 289-BILLION-dollar defense budget so members can go on a month-long vacation. The rare Saturday session opened with debate on the composition of the ''Star Wars'' missile defense program. Republican Senator John Warner of Virginia wants to find defenses against shorter-range tactical ballistic missiles... citing threats from such nations as Iraq and Syria.

Fighting raged in Liberia's capital as rebels and government troops battle for control of the ravaged city. Yesterday, long-range rockets, missiles and shells rained on the heart of Monrovia from both sides as the front line repeatedly shifted from street to street. The bodies of pedestrians caught in the cross-fire were seen laying on sidewalks.

Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami say Tropical Storm Cesar is drifting harmlessly across the Atlantic Ocean. They say the storm is hundreds of miles from any land mass and is NOT expected to strengthen. At last report, Cesar was about 12-hundred miles west-northwest of the westernmost Cape Verde Islands, where it's likely to bypass the islands.

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#90216u0990 08/04/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 4) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today quashed hopes for a swift Arab solution to the three-day-old crisis sparked by Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait. A senior Jordanian official says Jordan's King Hussein today canceled a mini Arab summit planned for tomorrow in Jeddah after Saddam adamantly refused to meet Kuwait's deposed ruler, who has taken refuge in Saudi Arabia. Saddam reportedly wants the Saudis to hand him over to face charges that the emir ''plundered'' the wealth of his oil-rich nation. But the emir vows NOT to meet Saddam until all Iraqi troops leave Kuwait.

Iraq also denied its massive forces are poised to attack Saudi Arabia. The official Iraqi News Agency quotes an ''official responsible source'' as saying that Iraqi forces have NOT entered a neutral zone between Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.

Global condemnation of the Iraqi invasion is widening. The 12-nation European Community today announced that it's freezing Iraqi assets, halting all oil imports from Iraq and banning the sale of arms to Baghdad to punish it for invading Kuwait. At the United Nations, U-S Ambassador Thomas Pickering is meeting with delegates of China, the Soviet Union, France and Britain to discuss convening the full U-N Security Council to impose stronger sanctions against Iraq.

The Senate is wading through a host of issues in a final push to wrap up debate on a 289-BILLION-dollar defense budget. Senators are meeting in a rare Saturday session so they came go home on a month-long vacation. The bill reflects the first major reductions following the collapse of the Warsaw Pact in East Europe and the end of the Cold War. It calls for building two B-2 ''Stealth'' bombers in fiscal 1991... stalls the rail-based M-X missile, and cuts troop strength by 100-thousand.

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#90216u0994 08/04/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 4) UPI - The Texas Coast Guard today reopened parts of Galveston Bay to limited fishing for the first time since a barge-tanker collision closed the bay last weekend. Galveston officials admit that they dramatically under-estimated the amount of oil spilled in the environmentally sensitive waterway after the accident. Officials raised their estimate to 700-thousand gallons from the 500-thousand initially reported.

Andrew Young is taking his bid to become Georgia's first black governor to the streets. Young is trailing in the polls heading into Tuesday's

historic runoff against Lieutenant Governor Zell Miller for the Democratic nomination. The former Atlanta mayor attended a minority contractors' breakfast and planned to shake hands at the Atlanta Jazz Festival in search of votes.

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(AUG. 5) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

FOOTBALL

Tom Landry, the only coach of the Dallas Cowboys until he was abruptly fired last year, joined former Pittsburgh Steelers Franco Harris and Jack Lambert, along with Bob Griese, Buck Buchanan, Ted Hendricks, and Bob St. Clair as an inductee into the Pro Football Hall of Fame. ... Pittsburgh Gladiators owner Bob Gries says he has no intention of unloading the arena football team or moving it from the city, despite losing about $400,000. The Gladiators' fourth and least successful season ended last week in a 61-30 playoff loss to the Detroit Drive.

GOLF

The Pittsburgh branch of the NAACP threatened to protest the all-white Oakmont Country Club if it has not admitted a black member by the time it hosts the women's U.S. Open in 1992. Oakmont has played host to five men's U.S. Opens and will host the tournament again in 1994. The club has no blacks among its 280 active members, but a club spokesman predicted Thursday it is likely a black member will be admitted by 1992. ... Ronan Rafferty of Northern Ireland took a five stroke lead over Ove Sellberg of Sweden in the $630,000 PLM Open at Bokskogens, Malmo, Sweden. Rafferty's two under par 70 put him at 15-under-par 201, while Sellberg had a 72 to be at 10-under-par 206.

LEGAL

A former Maryland high school track star faces drug charges after being accused of selling fake crack cocaine to undercover police. Arundel County police allege that Derek Lamar Love, 19, a former national high school track and field standout at Meade High School, approached an undercover officer with the intent to sell him the fake drugs six weeks ago. Love, the state and national champion in the 200 and 400-meter dashes, attended Taft Junior College in California last year, where he set track records and played on the school's 10-1 football team.

SOCCER

West German soccer champion Bayern Munich received a humiliating 1-0

defeat by FV Weinheim, a minor league team, in the first round of the German Cup at Bonn. Bayern, which is expected by most soccer commentators to win its 13th German national championship in the league season starting next week, lost after Weinheim's Thomas Schwechheimer converted a penalty in the 27th minute.

TENNIS

Horacio de la Pena of Argentina, ranked 191 in the world, defeated defending champion Emilio Sanchez of Spain 7-5, 7-6 (7-5), in the $375,000 Austrian Open to gain a final showdown against Karel Novacek. In the other semifinal, Novacek of Czechoslovakia beat Austrian Horst Skoff 6-4, 4-6, 6-4. ... Steffi Graf breezed into the finals of the $500,000 Canadian Open with a 6-2, 6-2 victory over France's Nathalie Tauziat. Katerina Maleeva upset Gabriela Sabatini, 6-3, 6-4, to earn a match-up against Graf. It's the first time the third-seeded Maleeva has beaten the second-seeded Sabatini.

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(AUG. 5) UPI - NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS:

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
New York	61	42	.592	-	35-16	26-26	6-4	L-1
Pittsburgh	60	42	.588	1/2	30-17	30-25	5-5	W-2
Montreal	55	51	.519	7 1/2	30-23	25-28	3-7	L-3
Philadel.	50	52	.490	10 1/2	25-25	25-27	4-6	L-2
Chicago	49	57	.462	13 1/2	24-28	25-29	5-5	W-1
St. Louis	48	59	.449	15	25-32	23-27	5-5	W-1

West

Cincinnati	61	43	.587	-	31-16	30-27	2-8	L-2
San Fran.	58	48	.547	4	31-23	27-25	8-2	W-1
Los Angeles	53	52	.505	8 1/2	32-24	21-28	6-4	L-1
San Diego	47	57	.452	14	28-30	19-27	7-3	W-2
Houston	45	61	.425	17	31-21	14-40	5-5	W-2
Atlanta	40	63	.388	20 1/2	22-29	18-34	2-8	L-3

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(AUG. 5) UPI - NL BOX SCORES

LOS ANGELES SAN FRANCISCO

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Javier cf	3	0	0	0	Butler cf	4	1	3	0

Sharpersn 3b	4	0	0	0	Leach rf	3	0	0	0
Daniels lf	4	0	1	0	Kingery rf	1	0	0	0
Gonzalez pr	0	0	0	0	Clark 1b	2	0	1	1
Murray 1b	4	0	0	0	Anderson 1b	0	0	0	0
Brooks rf	2	1	1	1	Mitchell lf	3	0	0	0
Dempsey c	3	0	0	0	Williams 3b	4	1	1	1
Harris 2b	2	0	0	0	Carter c	3	0	0	0
Griffin ss	3	0	0	0	Thompsn 2b	3	0	0	0
Morgan p	2	0	0	0	Uribe ss	3	0	0	0
Hatcher ph	1	0	0	0	Wilson p	3	0	1	0
Searage p	0	0	0	0					
Gott p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	28	1	2	1	Totals	29	2	6	2

Los Angeles	000 010 000- 1
San Francisco	100 100 00x- 2

DP-San Francisco 1. LOB-Los An- geles 3, San Francisco 6. 2B-Butler.
HR-Williams (21), Brooks (13). SB-Butler (32). SF-Clark.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Morgan (L 9-10)	7	5	2	2	1	1
Searage	2-3	1	0	0	1	0
Gott	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
San Francisco						
Wilson (W 7-3)	9	2	1	1	3	7

WP-Searage. T-2:12. A-44,922.

Umpires-Home, Hallion; 1b, DeMuth; 2b, Gregg; 3b, Harvey.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Johnson ss	5	1	2	1	Thompson rf	4	0	1	0
Magadan 1b	4	1	2	0	Smith ss	4	0	0	0
Jefferies 2b	4	0	1	2	McGee cf	4	2	2	0
Strawbrry rf	5	1	1	0	Guerrero 1b	4	2	2	2
McRynlds lf	4	0	1	0	Collins 1b	0	0	0	0
Sasser c	3	0	3	1	Zeile c	4	2	2	0
Trevino c	1	0	0	0	Pendleton 3b	4	0	1	3
Boston cf	3	0	1	0	Hudler lf	4	1	1	2
Carreon cf	1	0	0	0	Oquendo 2b	4	0	0	0
O'Malley 3b	3	0	0	0	Hill p	2	0	1	0
Diaz ph	1	0	0	0	Dayley p	1	0	0	0
Gooden p	2	0	0	0	Niedenfuer p	0	0	0	0
Miller ph	0	1	0	0	DiPino p	0	0	0	0

Whitehurst p	0	0	0	0						
Teufel ph	1	1	1	1						
Totals	37	5	12	5	Totals	35	7	10	7	

New York 001 001 102- 5
St. Louis 000 203 02x- 7

LOB-New York 8, St. Louis 4. 2B- Magadan, Johnson, Strawberry, Pendleton. HR-Guerrero (12), Hudler (3), Teufel (4), Johnson (16). SB-Thompson (18). SF-Jefferies.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Gooden (L 11-6)	6	7	5	5	0	7
Whitehurst	2	3	2	2	0	0
St. Louis						
Hill (W 2-1)	6 1-3	9	3	3	0	5
Dayley	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Niedenfuer	1-3	2	2	2	0	0
DiPino (S 3)	2-3	0	0	0	1	0

HBP-by Hill (Miller). T-2:49. A- 41,874.

Umpires-Home, Davis; 1b, Winters; 2b, Layne; 3b, Runge.

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Slaught c	5	0	2	3	Dykstra cf	4	0	0	0
Bell ss	5	0	1	0	Herr 2b	4	0	2	0
VanSlyke cf	4	0	0	0	VHayes lf	4	1	1	1
Bonilla rf	2	0	1	0	Murphy rf	4	0	1	0
Bonds lf	4	0	0	0	Martinez 1b	3	0	0	0
King 3b	4	0	2	0	Campusn pr	0	0	0	0
Bream 1b	3	0	0	0	Kruk 1b	1	0	0	0
Redus 1b	0	1	0	0	CHayes 3b	4	0	1	0
Lind 2b	4	2	3	0	Thon ss	4	0	2	0
Heaton p	2	0	0	0	Nieto c	2	0	0	0
Belinda p	0	0	0	0	Daulton c	2	0	0	0
Patterson p	0	0	0	0	Combs p	2	0	0	0
Reynolds ph	1	0	0	0	Ready ph	1	0	0	0
Power p	0	0	0	0	McDowell p	0	0	0	0
					Jordan ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	34	3	9	3	Totals	36	1	7	1

Pittsburgh 001 000 000 2- 3
Philadelphia 000 000 001 0- 1

DP-Pittsburgh 1, Philadelphia 4. LOB -Pittsburgh 5, Philadelphia 5.
2B-Herr, King, CHayes, Bell, Slaught. HR-VHayes (11). S-Heaton.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Heaton	6	4	0	0	0	4
Belinda	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Patterson (W 8-3)	2 1-3	1	1	1	0	0
Power (S 6)	1	1	0	0	0	0
Philadelphia						
Combs	8	6	1	1	2	4
McDowell (L 3-5)	2	3	2	2	1	0

Heaton pitched to 1 batter in the 7th.

T-2:43. A-45,305.

Umpires-Home, Williams; 1b, McSher- ry; 2b, Davidson; 3b, Reliford.

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(AUG. 4) UPI - An unprecedented visit by Soviet sailors to a U-S naval base in San Diego ended on a bad note today. Officials from both navies say they are conducting a joint investigation into a U-S sailor's claim that she was raped by a Soviet sailor while touring one of the visiting Soviet ships.

Congress today sent President Bush legislation aimed at preventing major oil spills and improving clean-up efforts. The measure requires double hulls on tankers and federal intervention in major accidents. Bush was said to be disappointed that Congress didn't ratify an international treaty to hold foreign tankers responsible for their spills in U-S water.

Texas salvage crews lifted a barge damaged in a shipping collision out of Galveston Bay today only to discover the vessel had spilled even more oil than they had suspected. The barge didn't have a drop of oil on board, and officials now say 700-thousand gallons of oil was dumped into the channel... that's up 200-thousand gallons from earlier estimates.

In light of the Galveston oil spill, Texas officials are debating whether to use experimental oil-absorbing microbes in widespread clean-up operations. But a University of Tennessee-Knoxville microbiologist cautioned today that scientists simply do NOT know enough about microbes and that until they do, they should NOT be used routinely.

Plans for early German elections ran into a wall today when Social Democrats in East and West Germany rejected the proposal. A member of the West German opposition Social Democratic Party says there's NO reason for all-German elections to be held on October 14th... seven weeks earlier than originally planned.

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(AUG. 5) UPI - NFL EXHIBITION STANDINGS

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Cincinnati	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Denver	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Houston	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Indianapolis	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Kansas City	0	0	0	.000	0	0
LA Raiders	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Miami	0	0	0	.000	0	0
New England	0	0	0	.000	0	0
NY Jets	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Pittsburgh	0	0	0	.000	0	0
San Diego	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Seattle	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Cleveland	0	1	0	.000	0	13

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Chicago	1	0	0	1.000	13	0
Atlanta	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Dallas	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Detroit	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Green Bay	0	0	0	.000	0	0
LA Rams	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	0	0
New Orleans	0	0	0	.000	0	0
NY Giants	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Philadelphia	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Phoenix	0	0	0	.000	0	0
San Fran.	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Tampa Bay	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Washington	0	0	0	.000	0	0

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(AUG. 5) UPI - NFL 1990 PRESEASON SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, Aug. 4
Hall of Fame Game
At Canton, Ohio
Chicago 13, Cleveland 0
American Bowl '90
At Tokyo
Denver vs. Seattle, 10 p.m., EDT

SUNDAY, Aug. 5
American Bowl '90
At London
LA Raiders vs. New Orleans, 6 p.m., EDT

WEEK 1
THURSDAY, Aug. 9
Detroit at Houston, 7 p.m.
American Bowl '90
At Montreal
New England vs. Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, Aug. 11
American Bowl '90
At Berlin
LA Rams vs. Kansas City, 1 p.m., EDT
Atlanta vs. Washington at Chapel Hill, N.C., 7 p.m.
Cincinnati at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Green Bay, 6 p.m.
Dallas at San Diego, 7 p.m.
Denver at Indianapolis, 7:30 p.m.
LA Raiders at San Francisco, 6 p.m.
Miami at Chicago, 6 p.m.
New Orleans at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
NY Jets at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Seattle at Phoenix, 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, Aug. 13
NY Giants at Buffalo, 8 p.m.

WEEK 2
FRIDAY, Aug. 17
Buffalo at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Indianapolis at Seattle, 7:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Washington, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, Aug. 18

Chicago at Phoenix, 7:30 p.m.
Cincinnati at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
Dallas at LA Raiders, 1 p.m.
Miami at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
New England vs. Tampa Bay at Jacksonville, Fla., 8 p.m.
New Orleans vs. Green Bay at Madison, Wis., 1 p.m.
NY Giants at Houston, 7 p.m.
NY Jets at Kansas City, 7 p.m.
San Diego at LA Rams, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, Aug. 19
Minnesota at Cleveland, 8 p.m.

MONDAY, Aug. 20
San Francisco at Denver, 6 p.m.

WEEK 3
FRIDAY, Aug. 24
Cincinnati at New England, 7 p.m.
Kansas City at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
LA Raiders at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Seattle, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, Aug. 25
Atlanta vs. Green Bay at Milwaukee, 6 p.m.
Buffalo at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
Denver at Miami, 8 p.m.
NY Jets at NY Giants, 8 p.m.
Phoenix at LA Rams, 7 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Dallas, 8 p.m.
San Francisco at San Diego, 6 p.m.
Washington at Cleveland, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, Aug. 26
Houston at Minnesota, 12 noon

MONDAY, Aug. 27
Philadelphia at Indianapolis, 7 p.m.

WEEK 4
THURSDAY, Aug. 30
Buffalo vs. Chicago at Columbia, S.C., 8 p.m.
NY Jets at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, Aug. 31
Atlanta at New England, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Cincinnati, 7:30 p.m.
Green Bay at Kansas City, 7 p.m.

Indianapolis at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
LA Rams at Washington, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Miami, 8 p.m.
Phoenix at Denver, 7 p.m.
Seattle at San Francisco, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, Sept. 1
San Diego at LA Raiders, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at NY Giants, 8 p.m.
Houston at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 9 p.m.

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#90216u1265 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (AUG. 5) UPI - The U.S. Customs Service, enforcing the trade embargo imposed after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, detained a Kuwait-flagged vessel carrying butane Saturday, while another Kuwait cargo ship steered away from the United States.

Coast Guard Cmdr. Rex Prosser said the authority to detain the Gas Al Kuwait came from the embargo ordered by Bush in retaliation for Thursday's invasion of tiny, oil-rich Kuwait.

The Gas Al Kuwait, carrying an undetermined amount of butane, was detained by Customs and the Coast Guard after it docked at an oil off-loading site on the Houston Ship Channel about 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Prosser said.

''Customs detained their clearance to leave the port and the vessel may offload its cargo before proceeding to an anchorage (Bolivar Roads Anchorage) a couple of miles off the Galveston coast,'' he said.

''The ship is the standard-size gas carrier and was expected to offload Saturday - although it'll take 24 hours - before mooring and awaiting further instructions.''

Another Kuwait-flagged ship, the Al Mubarakiah, was carrying a shipment of rice, machinery and drilling equipment, and was in international waters off the coast of Galveston Friday before changing its course away from the United States. Prosser said the ship apparently steered away because of the embargo.

He said the ship's whereabouts were not known as of late Saturday afternoon.

The Lily Pacific, flagged in Singapore but chartered by Kuwait, also was believed to carrying butane, but had not contacted officials as of late Saturday.

The vessels were among 43 at one time blocked from entering the ship channel by an oil spill in Galveston Bay.

More than 13 million gallons of Iraqi oil were seized from a ship in Corpus Christi Thursday. The oil was seized from the Swedish lightering vessel Hellespont Dignity in the Port of Corpus Christi, Customs officials said.

The 807-foot vessel itself was not confiscated.

After Bush established the trade embargo, the Customs Service said ''ordered that inspectors seize all imports and allow no entry of goods or services of Iraqi origin, including crude and refined petroleum products.''

The government also said that all Iraqi, as well as Kuwaiti, ships and cargo are nonetheless subject to inspection.

''If oil comes in from Kuwait we want to make sure its from Kuwait and not Iraq,'' said Edward Kittredge, a spokesman for the Customs Service. ''We want to make sure Iraq is not putting its oil on Kuwaiti ships.''

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#90216u1276 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

EUGENE, OR (AUG. 4) UPI - A teenager splashed with gasoline in a treehouse and set afire by one of his friends was in serious condition Saturday with burns over 12 percent of his body, officials said.

Two of the victim's friends, including the one who set him afire, told police the boy agreed to be ignited with a cigarette lighter.

Andre Laroque, 13, was in the Oregon Burn Center at Emanual Hospital in Portland with burns on his face, right arm and chest.

Police said Laroque's 12-year-old friend was charged with first-degree arson and first-degree assault after he admitted he set Laroque's clothes on fire.

According to police reports, the 12-year-old told police he was high from smelling gasoline fumes and did not know what he was doing at the time of the incident.

Laroque, the 12-year-old, and a 10-year-old boy were playing with a 16-ounce plastic jug of gasoline in the 12-year-old's treehouse Thursday night.

Police said the 12-year-old kicked Laroque either accidentally or on

purpose, splashing the liqued onto Laroque, who was holding the jug.

Laroque's two friends told police that the 12-year-old boy then asked Laroque if he could use the cigarette lighter he had to set Laroque's clothes on fire, and Laroque agreed.

Laroque told police he remembered being splashed by gasoline but nothing else about his burns.

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#90216u1287 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - Iraq has tightened its grip on Kuwait. Baghdad announced today that it has installed a military government to oversee its tiny oil-rich neighbor and says it plans on raising a Kuwaiti army to protect the new leaders. Diplomatic moves to de-fuse tensions fizzled out when Jordan and Saudi Arabia canceled tomorrow's emergency summit on grounds that Kuwaiti and Iraqi leaders refused to negotiate.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the Bush adminstration does NOT think Iraq plans on blitzing Saudi Arabia... but says the president continues to review his military options should that happen. Fitzwater says Bush also is concerned about the safety of American citizens in Kuwait... including at least 26 missing American oil workers.

Senators risked a presidential veto today by cutting back on funding for the controversial ''Star Wars'' anti-missile program. Supporters cut funding by nearly half... to 129-Million dollars, even though opponents argued that the program could protect America from what they see as the biggest threat facing the world today... the Middle East.

Congress has taken steps to make sure the government doesn't run out of money while lawmakers are on vacation. Congress approved and sent to the White House today a bill that temporarily increases the national debt limit to three-pointTRILLION dollars... a short-term boost of 72-BILLION dollars.

Pentagon spies can now operate commercial businesses to cover their activities. The Senate today passed legislation that for the first time allows intelligence operatives to run companies. The provision was contained in the 1991 intelligence authorization bill, which provides a classified amount of money for the nation's intelligence agencies.

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#90216u1290 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - The Armenian Parliament elected a militant nationalist chairman today amid reports that some vigilantes are ignoring Soviet

President Gorbachev's order earlier this week to turn in their weapons. The Soviet news agency Tass says the legislature's choice as chairman heads the Armenian All-National Movement.

Four hours of deliberation today failed to produce a verdict in the cocaine and perjury trial of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry. The jurors decided to work part of the day instead of taking the entire weekend off. They asked the judge this morning to see all exhibits entered as evidence in the trial.

A newspaper in Tampa, Florida, reports that an unidentified dentist with AIDS who probably infected a patient while pulling her teeth may have been practicing in a mid-sized Florida city. If proven, the case would be the first in which a health professional passed the disease to a patient.

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#90216u1369 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (AUG. 5) UPI - Police investigating a fender-bender in a parking lot Saturday stumbled onto nearly a ton of cocaine worth about $14 million.

The drugs were packed in boxes stacked neatly in the back of one of the two vehicles involved in the accident, a van abandoned at the scene by its driver, police said.

Police confiscated the van and its cargo of 1,544 pounds of cocaine, but had not found the driver as of late Saturday.

Metro Dade County police spokesman Donald Blocker said the blue van had backed out of the parking lot and struck another car. He said the driver of the car spotted a policeman nearby and summoned the officer to investigate the accident.

''The driver of the van indicated he had to make and phone call and he walked away,'' Blocker said. When the man did not return, the officer decided to search the van.

''It was packed with about 40 cardboard boxes with numerical markings on each one. The officer inspected one of the boxes and found aluminum-foil-wrapped cocaine bricks,'' Blocker said. ''They were very professionally wrapped and had typed markings indicating the contents were guaranteed to be pure and of high quality.''

Neither vehicle was damaged, and Blocker said the cocaine likely would have gone undetected if the driver had stayed at the accident scene.

''The damage on both vehicles was so minor there never would have been a police report written anyway,'' Blocker said. ''There is a very high

possibility that the cocaine would not have been found because there would be no reason for him to look in there if the other driver had not panicked.''

Police towed the van to a nearby police station, and were searching for its owner.

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#90216u1437 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - Hopes are fading fast that Iraq will bow to global pressure and withdraw from Kuwait. Baghdad unveiled a puppet military government today and says it will announce hand-picked Kuwaiti Cabinet members tomorrow. Official Iraqi sources say a Kuwait army will be raised in order to protect the new government. The Iraqi ambassador in Washington today ''categorically'' denied Baghdad has designs on Saudi Arabia. Even so, Western diplomats report Saudi Arabia, Egypt and the Persian Gulf states have placed their troops on alert.

President Bush continues to review U-S military options in case the Iraqis push on to Saudi Arabia... options that include tactical air strikes against Iraqi forces in Kuwait, bombing runs on Iraq and a naval blockade of Iraqi oil shipments in the Gulf. Bush met with his national security advisors again today... and afterward, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the president is very concerned about the safety of Americans living in Kuwait.

A number of senators hurried for planes today after the Senate passed a 289-BILLION-dollar Pentagon budget bill in a rare Saturday session. The legislation... approved by a vote of 79-16... makes the first deep post-Cold War military cuts. But changes voted for the ''Star Wars'' missile defense program could subject the bill to a veto by President Bush.

Part of Galveston Bay is now considered safe for fishing again... one week after a tanker-barge collision caused a huge oil spill in the waterway. But Texas Health Department officials kept a ban on shellfish harvesting in effect. Officials increased their estimate of the amount of crude spilled to 700-thousand gallons after the submerged barge was found to contain NO more oil.

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#90216u1444 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - The Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge says it killed 47 Cambodian and Vietnamese soldiers in attacks on five Cambodian military outposts. The Khmer Rouge says the attacks took place last month near Cambodia's second-largest city, Battambang... 150 miles northwest of Phnom Penh. There was NO independent confirmation of the report and in the past the

Khmer Rouge has exaggerated its exploits.

Yugoslavia's news agency says the former head of the nation's notorious secret police will be tried on genocide charges next month. A military statement released today says Lieutenant General Iulian Vlad took part in the decision to fire on demonstrators across the country last December. The statement says Vlad co-ordinated the government suppression.

The Armenian Parliament has again defied Soviet President Gorbachev - this time by electing a militant nationalist chairman. The official Tass news agency says the Yerevan legislature today elected a man who leads the Armenian All-National Movement. The election comes two days after the body voted to annul a Gorbachev decree that demanded nationalist militants turn in their weapons to Soviet troops within 15 days.

Opposition Social Democrats in East and West Germany today rejected a proposal to speed up the process of unification. East German Prime Minister de Maiziere and West German Chancellor Kohl agreed yesterday to move up unification in time for earlier October 14th elections in hopes of offsetting a crumbling East German economy. The opposition party argues that ruling conservative parties will benefit from earlier elections.

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#90216u1516 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - President Bush reviewed military options today as he continues to monitor the Persian Gulf situation. Bush expressed concern for American citizens in the overthrown country of Kuwait during a meeting today with top national security advisers at the Camp David presidential retreat. But a short time later, a State Department spokesman announced all Americans had been accounted for.

Iraq's ambassador to the United States told reporters in Washington today that his country has NO intention of invading Saudi Arabia. And he says all Americans swept up in the Kuwaiti raid are ''free to go.'' The diplomat also said the situation in Kuwait is- in his words- ''back to normal'' and that Baghdad will follow through on its promise to begin withdrawing troops from Kuwait tomorrow unless- QUOTE- ''new threats to security emerge.''

The Senate today followed the House's lead and approved a compromise package to assist state and local authorities in caring for AIDS patients. The legislation authorizes as much as 880-Million dollars next year for the battle against the disease. It includes emergency grants of 275-Million dollars a year for the next two years for cities that have been hit hardest by AIDS.

A congressional report expresses some concern over the use of D-N-A

''fingerprinting'' in the courtroom. The Office of Technology Assessment report says national standards are needed to ensure the controversial high-tech means of identification can be used reliably. O-T-A analysts found the lack of such standards leaves serious questions about the reliability of any individual test result.

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#90216u1527 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - During a rare Saturday session, senators today approved a measure that bars interstate truck drivers and bus drivers from using radar detectors. The measure is part of a 28-BILLION-dollar transportation appropriations package. The radar ban takes effect within a year unless the Transportation Department determines in the meantime that outlawing the devices would NOT improve highway safety.

Tenants in a New York apartment building were forced to evacuate today after building employees stuffed a box of potentially explosive chemicals into a dumpster. A New York City environmental official says the workers found the chemicals while cleaning a basement apartment of an evicted tenant. Two workers died yesterday from burns they received when another box of chemicals from the apartment exploded.

Florida officials today issued a consumer health alert following the discovery of eight more cocaine-laced bottles of a Colombian soft drink. The tainted bottles are believed to be part of a Colombian drug-smuggling operation and were found at a major distributing house that supplies 15-hundred mobile food vendors in Dade and Broward counties. A 25-year-old Miami man who drank a laced bottle last week is still in a coma.

A Chicago newspaper report says a familiar political face will re-appear for the 1991 mayoral election. The newspaper says former Mayor Jane Byrne will come out of political retirement to challenge Mayor Richard Daley in his re-election bid. Byrne, who says factions throughout the city are encouraging her to run, will make a formal announcement about her political future this fall.

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#90216u1653 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - Three days after Iraqi troops took control of Kuwait, Kuwait's ambassador to the United States is denying reports by his Iraqi counterpart that the situation in Kuwait has returned to normal. The Kuwaiti official also denied Iraq's vow today that it will begin removing its invading force tomorrow.

Iraq's ambassador to the United States says his country has NO intention of continuing its Kuwaiti military campaign into Saudi Arabia. The Bush

administration said it doubts Iraq would engage in such an endeavor, but prepared contingency plans in case Iraq renegs on its vow.

President Bush repeated his plea to the Iraqi government today that it remove its forces from Kuwait. His statement came after a meeting with national security advisers to determine the U-S response to further Iraqi aggression.

The Senate today approved its version of the first significant post-Cold War Pentagon budget. The 289-BILLION-dollar spending plan features the rescue of the controversial B-2 stealth bomber and alters the ''Star Wars'' anti-missile program.

Lawmakers in the upper chamber also followed the lead of the House and approved an AIDS spending plan. The measure, which now goes to President Bush, would supply as much as 880-Million dollars to local and state governments to care for people with AIDS.

Liberian rebel leader Prince Johnson says his forces will begin detaining foreigners Monday in an attempt to spur international intervention in his country's bloody civil war. Johnson says the first targets will be American, British, Lebanese and Indian civilians.

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#90216u1654 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - A congressional report today says the federal government needs to establish guidelines for the use of D-N-A tests as a means of identification in legal proceedings. The Office of Technology Assessment says the test is generally accurate but is susceptible to human error.

An election and re-unification plan touted by East and West Germanys' conservative leaders was criticized today by social democrats. The leaders want to push up the all-German elections to October 14th... a move social democrats say would give conservatives an UNfair advantage.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami says Tropical Storm Cesar does NOT pose a threat to land. Cesar's 50 mile-an-hour winds are swirling about 13-hundred miles northwest of the Cape Verde Islands. Forecasters also say the season's fifth tropical depression has formed in the Caribbean Sea.

Portions of Galveston Bay reopened today amid criticism by environmentalists that the sensitive waterway has been significantly marred by last week's 700-thousand-gallon oil spill. Officials haveN'T determined who is responsible for the spill, which resulted when two barges collided with a tanker.

NOT everyone is pleased with this week's release of convicted killer

Roswell Gilbert. The judge who sentenced the 81-year-old man to spend the rest of his life in prison wrote Florida Governor Bob Martinez to criticize his granting clemency to Gilbert... who served five years for fatally shooting his ailing wife.

Jurors in the drug and perjury case of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry deliberated for four hours today without reaching a verdict. The panel asked to see all exhibits entered into evidence before retiring for the day. They will reconvene Monday morning in the nation's capital.

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#90216u1731 08/04/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 4) UPI - The Senate today gave final congressional approval to a compromise AIDS assistance package. The measure... which'll provide as much as 880-Million dollars next year to state and local authorities... was passed on a voice vote, hours after similar action in the House. The money represents a substantial increase for AIDS programs. But it woN'T become available unless Congress passes separate appropriations bills.

Tehran radio says Iran is ready to restore ties with Great Britain. Diplomatic relations between the two countries broke off 17 months ago because of Iranian anger at British author Salman Rushdie's novel ''The Satanic Verses.'' The decision to seek restored ties was made at an Iranian National Security Council session held Thursday to discuss the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Texas officials re-opened the oil-clogged Galveston Bay today... but NO one seemed to be celebrating. The Coast Guard confirms that far more oil than previously thought spilled into the bay after a tanker-barge collision last week... 200-thousand gallons more. Officials now say 716-thousand gallons of oil leaked into the waterway. Environmentalists fear the spill will have a lasting ''invisible'' effect on sensitive marshland areas.

Jurors deciding the fate of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry apparently are taking their roles very seriously. They rejected an offer for a weekend break by putting in half-a-day today... and even worked through lunch. The panel started its day by sending a note to the judge, asking to see all exhibits entered in as evidence concerning the 14 cocaine and perjury charges against Barry. The jurors plan on sorting through the evidence Monday.

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#90217d2960 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG 5) - The White House was skeptical Sunday over radio reports that Iraq was withdrawing its troops from Kuwait, saying there was

no evidence of such a troop pullout.

"The United States continues to seek the immediate, complete and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait and restoration of a legitimate government (in Kuwait). We continue to consider all options in accordance with that policy," said presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater.

Thursday, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein sent tens of thousands of his troops into neighboring, oil-rich Kuwait with which it had a bitter dispute over oil and territory.

The state-controlled radio of the newly formed formed provisional government in Kuwait had announced Sunday that Iraqi trops had begun to withdraw.

"We have no independent or confirmable information on this report," Mr. Fitzwater said.

"Saddam Hussein's actions in the past have raised serious skepticism about his intentions," he added.

The Iraqi troops crossed Kuwait to within a few kilometers (miles) of the border with Saudi Arabia.

Mr. Fitzwater said U.S. officials had no information indicating Iraqi troops had crossed into Saudi territory.

He added that U.S. officials were consulting with members of the U.N. Security Council to seek sanctions against Iraq. He indicated that the Security Council would meet at U.N. headquarters in New York Sunday morning to adopt a resolution calling for sanctions.

President George Bush, who was spending the weekend at Camp David, a presidential retreat near Washington, consulted by telephone with Turkish President Turgut Ozal, Saudi King Fahd, Canadian Prime MInister Brian Mulroney and the ousted emir of Kuwait.

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#90217d3080 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (AUG 5) - Saudi Arabia's military forces were Sunday on a state of alert following Iraq's invasion Thursday of Kuwait, reliable sources here said.

But they excluded any Iraqi military operation against the kingdom, which has an armed forces strength of nearly 66,000 men backed by 56,000 paramilitary national guardsmen, according to the London-based International Institute for Strategic Studies.

Iraqi troops on Saturday entered the Kuwaiti-administered segment of the neutral zone, which Kuwait shares with Saudi Arabia, and were stationed seven kilometers (4.3 miles) from the Saudi frontier, an Agence France-Presse correspondent said.

But an official Iraqi spokesman strongly denied that Iraqi forces had entered the netural zone -- a 5,700-square-kilometer (2,200 square-mile) desert enclave that is one of the richest oil regions in the world.

U.S. President George Bush bluntly warned Iraq late Friday against venturing into Saudi Arabia.

Iraq invaded Kuwait early Thursday after Iraqi-Kuwait talks failed to resolve a bitter dispute over oil production quotas and border markings. It began withdrawing its forces on Sunday morning, the official Iraqi news agency INA reported.

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#90217d3090 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (AUG 5) - Iraq's First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yasin Ramadan brought a message Sunday from President Saddam Hussein to Turkish President Turgut Ozal and said ''Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait will not take long, but the return of al-Sabah family to rule will be impossible''.

''The withdrawal might take a few days or a few weeks depending om the implementation of a timetable arranged between Iraq and the new Kuwaiti government,'' Ramadan told a news conference before his departure.

''But any possible (military) intervention in Kuwait will be considered as if it were done to Iraq,'' he warned.

He vowed that economic sanctions or foreign military intervention would not deter Iraq and would only harm those who resorted to such means.

''They did this (sanctions) in 1972 when Iraq nationalised the oil wells,'' Ramadan said. ''What was the result?''

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#90217d3230 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG 5) - Kuwaiti warplanes Sunday attacked headquarters of the Iraqi army in Kuwait, France Info radio reported.

The radio quoted Kuwaiti sources for its report but gave no additional details. Independent confirmation was not available.

France Info also reported that Iraqi tanks in Kuwait had been spotted moving south. Confirmation was not available. Saudi Arabia lies south of Kuwait and reports of Iraqi violations of the border caused concern on Saturday.

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#90217d3370 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (AUG 5) - Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati discussed with top Syrian leaders here Sunday the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and on efforts to try to get Iraq to pull its troops out of that country, Damascus said.

In a statement, Syrian presidential spokesman Jibrane Kourieh said Velayati handed a letter from President Hashemi Rafsanjani to President Hafez Assad, who issued a reply to be taken back to Teheran.

Velayati had arrived here earlier Sunday for a one-day visit.

''Within the framework of the strong relations between the two countries and their continuing contacts, Velayati delivered a letter concerning the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, and its repercussions,'' Kourieh said.

During the meeting which was attended by Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa, Syrian State Minister for Foreign Affairs Nasser Qaddour, and Iranian ambassador Ali Akhtari ''talks were about the efforts being displayed to achieve the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and to eliminate the consequences of this invasion''.

Kourieh did not elaborate.

In another development, it was announced here that Assad received a phone call from Jordanian King Hussein, and that the two leaders discussed the situation between Iraq and Kuwait.

Jordanian Premier Mudr Badran is expected in Damascus on Monday to head, together with his Syrian counterpart Mahmoud al-Zouebi, the meetings of the regular session of the supreme Syrian-Jordanian Coordination Committee.

Badran will be accompanied by several ministers, including Foreign Minister and Deputy Premier Marwan al-Qassem.

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#90217d3720 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG 5) - The United States expressed scepticism here Sunday about Iraq's announcement that it was starting to withdraw its invasion forces from Kuwait, while the Kuwaiti embassy in Washington accused

Baghdad of playing a ''game''.

Amid the developments in the Iraq-Kuwait crisis, the White House said President George Bush was in constant telephone contact with world leaders to discuss the situation, while reports said that Saudi Arabia had ordered a general mobilisation.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater told the press the U.S. had no ''independent or confirmed information'' about an Iraqi pullout.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's actions gave cause for ''serious scepticism'' about his intentions, Fitzwater said.

The U.S. still demanded the unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops and the restoration of the legitimate government of the Kuwaiti sheikdom, Fitzwater said, adding that Washington was looking at ''all options'' in dealing with the crisis.

Earlier Sunday, the Iraqi News Agency Ina said an urgent message was sent to the U.N. Security Council officially informing it of the start of a phased withdrawal from Kuwait.

At the same time, a military communique in Baghdad said Hussein had ordered the establishment of 11 new military divisions, including one armoured, one presidential guards and nine infantry.

These developments drew a sharp condemnation of Iraq from a Kuwaiti embassy spokesman in Washington.

''They are playing a game,'' the spokesman said. ''They are still in the capital, they are still on the border with Saudi Arabia.''

At the same time about the reports of the Iraqi troop pullout announcement, a Saudi state radio broadcast monitored in Israel said the Riyadh government had issue a mobilisation order.

It called on all young men of service age to report to arms, the mobilisation order specifically directed at the Saudi air force, the radio said.

According to the Jaffe Institute for Strategic Studies in Tel Aviv, Saudi Arabia has about 95,000 men already under arms, including the 15,000 men in the highly-advanced air force.

Parallel to the developments, the Gulf region remained a beehive of top-level diplomatic activity.

Iraqi envoys were touring Arab countries to deliver messages from Saddam

Hussein while Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati was conferring with Syrian leaders in Damascus on the situation.

At the same time, the new Iraqi-installed regime in Kuwait warned foreign countries slapping sanctions against Kuwait, indicating that foreign nationals could be put in danger.

Walid Saud Mohammed Abdullah, foreign minister of the ''free provisional government'' issued a statement - carried by the Iraqi News Agency - which said the foreign countries ''should remember that they have their citizens and interests in Kuwait.

''If they (foreign countries) insisted on attacking Kuwait or Iraq or cause harm to the legitimate interests of Kuwait or Iraq, Kuwait will reconsider the methods of dealing with these countries,'' it said.

The statement came in response to a concerted Western reaction to the Iraqi invasion which has included, among other steps, an arms embargo against Iraq, a blocking of foreign Kuwaiti assets to keep them out of Baghdad's reach, and a European Community embargo on Iraqi oil and a suspension of all economic, technological and military cooperation with Baghdad.

Fitzwater said Sunday that Bush, in his ''telephone diplomacy'' with foreign leaders, was seeking still tougher economic sanctions against Iraq.

At the same time, the Washington Post reported Sunday that the U.S. was keeping its military options open in the event of an Iraqi invasion of Saudi Arabia and was beefing up its naval and air presence in the Gulf.

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#90217d3800 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG 5) - A bomb ripped through a cinema Sunday, killing at least three people and leaving a dozen injured in northern Haryana state, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

The injured were hospitalised, mostly in serious condition, officials quoted by PTI said.

No one claimed responsibility for the bombing, which left at least three dead and took place during an afternoon show in the town of Kurukshetra, the officials said.

Haryana neigbours the Sikh-majority state of Punjab, where some 1,400 people have died this year in violence linked to a Sikh campaign for an independent homeland.

Sikh militants in the past had been known to strike in the predominantly

Hindu state of Haryana.

PTI said Haryana state governor Danik Mandal, who rushed to the site, condemned the "ghastly and inhuman act of terrorists," a commonly used official term in India for Sikh militants in the Punjab or Moslem separatists in Kashmir.

Mr. Mandal appealed to the people of Haryana not to allow the communal harmony in the state to be disturbed by the incident.

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#90217d3810 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (AUG 5) - India has agreed to reopen the last three transit points it closed 17 months ago along its border with Nepal, Nepalese Prime Minister Krishna Prasad Bhattarai said here Sunday.

Mr. Bhattarai said after meeting with Indian Foreign Minister Inder Kumar Gujral that India had agreed to open three more transit points along their common border and had pledged to resolve any remaining differences.

The meeting comes less than two months after Nepal's reformist premier negotiated an end to a 15-month trade and transit dispute between the two countries, which amounted to a virtual Indian blockade of this landlocked kingdom.

A foreign ministry spokesman said the three entry points were in Banbasa, Nepalgunj and Gauriphanta, on Nepal's southeastern border with India.

Mr. Gujral, here on a three-day visit, said after a first round of talks there were "no outstanding issues now between India and Nepal," adding "India will always assist and support Nepal economically."

Mr. Bhattarai said "there is not much of a problem between our two countries," and described Mr. Kumar's trip here as "essentially a goodwill visit."

He added that he had asked India to extend railway lines into Nepal from Lumbini, the birthplace of Lord Gautam Buddha, some 290 kilometers (180 miles) southwest of here, and the Indian towns of Raxaul and Sindhuli.

Such railway links "would be tremendously helpful to develop our economy," Mr. Bhattarai said.

Indo-Pakistani relations and the situation in Kuwait were also raised in the talks, which will resume Monday, he added.

Mr. Gujral said a team of Indian rail experts would visit Kathmandu soon to

study the proposed railway project.

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#90217d3840 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TUNIS (AUG 5) - Kuwaiti embassies in Tunis, Vienna and Algiers on Sunday strongly denounced the Iraqi-installed Kuwaiti government, saying it did not have the support of the people of Kuwait.

Ambassador Abdelmohssen Nasser Al-Jiaane in Tunis said in a press communique that the Baghdad-backed provisional government in Kuwait is led by the son-in-law and personal guard of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, Colonel Ala'a Hussein Ali. Iraq has denied that the two men are related, even distantly.

The Kuwaiti ambassador here, who is also Kuwait's representative to the Arab League, was dismissed as ambassador on Thursday immediately after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The Kuwaiti embassies in Algeria and Austria denounced the provisional authorities in Kuwait as a "puppet government."

The Kuwaiti embassy in Algiers issued a statement calling on the international community to "not stand by paralysed and powerless" after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and for Arab countries to put an end to the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

In Vienna, the Kuwaiti embassy issued a statement saying it refused to recognise the "so-called new Kuwaiti government created by the Iraqi regime," and reaffirmed its loyalty to the ousted Kuwaiti emir, Sheik Jaber al-Ahmad Al-Sabah.

The Kuwaiti embassy in Vienna said the provisional government in Kuwait was "puppet government" that would not be supported by the Kuwaiti people.

In Algiers, the Kuwaiti embassy called on the Arab league to act upon its resolution Friday condamning the "Iraqi aggression" and demanding that Iraq withdraw "immediately and unconditionally" its troops from Kuwait.

The embassy in Algiers said the "pseudo-provisional government" and the "Kuwaiti popular army" are in fact made up of Iraqi army officers led by Mr. Hussein's son-in-law.

The embassy guarded against "any form of relations or collaboration" with the "puppet government" in Kuwait, saying it was a "screen for the pillaging of Kuwait's riches."

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#90217d3850 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PORT MORESBY (AUG 5) - The first round of the Bougainville peace talks ended inconclusively late Sunday on board the truce ship HMNZS Endeavour.

Delegates from the Papua New Guinea government and rebel leaders agreed that dialogue should continue but political declarations relating to the future status of Bougainville should be deferred, Australian Associated Press said.

Rebel leaders on Bougainville, an island province 1,000 kilometers (620 miles) east of Port Moresby, declared unilateral independence on May 17.

In a joint communique issued Sunday the two chief negotiators, PNG Foreign Minister Sir Michael Somare and provincial premier Joseph Kabui, said talks would resume "within eight weeks".

"They agreed the long term political status of Bougainville is to be addressed as part of the continuing dialogue," the statement said. "Meanwhile all political declarations with respect to that future status are deferred."

According to the accord, the national government confirmed that "at the earliest opportunity it would take all practical steps consistent with the constitution of Papua New Guinea to bring about the return of services to Bougainville."

National government services -- including health care, education and telecommunications -- deteriorated markedly during the 20-month rebellion and were severed completely when Bougainville declared its independence.

Both sides have been anxious to restore services -- the government as an essential step towards re-establishing authority over the province, and the rebel authorities to alleviate shortages and to prove that they can provide for the island.

However, the security of public servants who return to the island has been a sticking point. The national government insists the return of public servants must be accompanied by a return of police to the province, but Bougainville leaders say they can guarantee the officials' safety without outside help.

During the talks, the government said the police force could be made up of Bougainvilleans.

The commmunique said both sides agreed services should be returned "as a matter of urgent priority," but gave no indication when this could occur.

"The government of Papua New Guinea will consult regularly with the present Bougainville delegation on the restoration of services," it said.

"The two delegations agreed on the desirability of the full participation of Bougainvilleans in future security arrangements on Bougainville."

The communique thanked the New Zealand government for its assistance in providing three naval vessels, and support facilities, as a neutral base for the talks.

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#90217d3970 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG 5) - The Kuwaiti emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, has called on his people to resist Iraqi occupation and said his country was not alone in the struggle, the Kuwaiti news agency KUNA reported here Sunday.

"The Iraqi aggressor will not be able to destroy Kuwait's national unity," the agency's Paris office quoted Sheikh Jaber as saying.

"With regrets, I must state that the aggressor is a neighbour that we have supported in difficult times," the emir said, apparently referring to Kuwaiti backing for Baghdad in the Iran-Iraq war.

"All the Arabs and Moslems are on our side, as well as the rest of the world which has not hesitated to condemn the aggression," he said.

KUNA said Kuwaiti radio had broadcast the message of Sheikh Jaber, who has reportedly taken refuge in Saudi Arabia since Thursday's invasion. It did not say from where the radio was broadcasting.

The emir Sunday sent an envoy, Sheikh Doueij Jaber al-Ali, to Damascus to deliver a message to Syrian President Hafez al-Assad, a longstanding rival of Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, KUNA said.

An Iraqi-backed provisional government has been set up in Kuwait since the invasion, with Baghdad vowing that it would not allow the return of the ruling Al-Sabah family.

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#90217d3990 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG 5) - The mujahedeen resistance Afghan Interim Government (AIG) on Sunday condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait as a violation of human and Islamic principles and called on Kuwaitis to resist.

Abdul Rasool Sayyaf, the prime minister of the Pakistan-based rebel

government, demanded in a statement the "immediate and unconditional withdrawal" of Iraqi forces from Kuwait and warned Baghdad against any attempt to expand its "military intervention."

He also called on Kuwaitis "never to submit to the puppet regime installed by Iraqi Ba'athist invaders."

"Despite our reservations about certain political instances of Kuwait, we strongly condemn Iraq's invasion which is a flagrant violation of all human and Islamic principles," he said.

Mr. Sayyaf, who heads the pro-Saudi Ittihad-i-Islami faction, said no Moslem would tolerate "further advance" of Iraqi forces, particularly into Saudi Arabian territory.

Saudi Arabia, along with the United States, has given financial support to the mujahedeen in their struggle to topple the Soviet-backed Afghan government.

Kabul reacted cautiously Saturday to the Iraqi invasion, expressing concern over "developments leading to factionalism and dissension" among Arab and Moslem countries.

It did not refer directly to the invasion on Thursday, nor did it condemn Baghdad, a Kabul ally.

Iraq has backed Kabul's attempt to re-enter the Organisation of Islamic Conference, and a foreign ministry spokesman in Kabul said efforts were under way to reopen Iraq's embassy in the Afghan capital.

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#90217d4030 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (AUG 5) - Thousands of Kuwaiti nationals, who were outside their country for the summer holidays when Iraq invaded Kuwait, have been stranded in neighbouring Gulf states hoping to return to their homeland as soon as possible.

Many were in European and southeast Asian countries when Iraqi troops marched into Kuwaiti territory at dawn on Thursday and within hours took conrol of the tiny emirate.

The Bahrain daily Al-Ayam quoted Sunday ''reliable Kuwaiti sources'' as saying there were 300,000 Kuwaiti citizens in Saudi Arabia who have not been able to return home.

Kuwait's Amir Sheikh Jaber al-Sabah and members of his government are believed to be staying in Saudi Arabia.

There are an estimated 90 Kuwaiti families in Bahrain staying at hotels or housing compounds provided by the Kuwaiti embassy here.

In neighbouring United Arab Emirates (Uae) several hundred Kuwaitis, who were holidaying abroad, have landed in Abu Dhabi and Dubai, waiting for any means of transport to reach their homeland.

About 100 Kuwaitis have made Abu Dhabi a temporary residence while about 700 have chosen Dubai, a Kuwaiti diplomat there said.

''We have chosen the Uae because it is close to Kuwait and we feel at home here. But still we want to return home as fast as possible to see our families,'' 65-year-old Tahir Mohammed told Dubai's Khaleej Times newspaper.

Khalid Eissa, 29, said: ''We are in a difficult situation due to the fact that we have our families with us and do not have any money. This is in addition to our anxiety about our loved ones back home.''

Mashary Youssef al-Arefan, who was in Kuwait on the day of the Iraqi invasion, told the Bahrain daily Akhbar al-Khaleej he saw about six Iraqi jets bomb the amir's palace, the crown prince's palace and the people's palace.

''It was exactly like Beirut during the heavy shelling between the Moslem and Christian sectors of the capital,'' said another witness, a frequent visitor to the Lebanese capital, who said rockets fell on the city and automatic rifle and machine-gun fire was heard.

There were reports here of looting by Iraqi soldiers. The daily Al Ayam quoted Bahraini witnesses as saying Iraqi army officers were driving confiscated Kuwaiti Mercedes cars in the capital's streets.

The newspaper quoted ''reliable sources'' in Kuwait as saying the situation in the city was ''highly dangerous''. The sources said gunfire is still heard every now and then in parts of Kuwait.

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#90217d4140 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG 5) - Kuwaiti Ambassador to the United States Saud Nasir Al-Sabah Sunday again urged U.S. military intervention against Iraq which he said was maintaining its invasion forces in Kuwait.

Speaking in a television interview, Mr. Al-Sabah said that Iraq has "a massive presence in Kuwait. Our sources indicate that by no means are the Iraqis withdrawing there. They're dug in in my country, in the southern

border."

"There is a complete conspiracy now, to dominate the country," he said.

(The Iraqi News Agency reported that Iraqi troops began withdrawing from Kuwait at 0400 Gmt Sunday.)

Asked if he wanted the United States and other industrialised nations to mount a military operation against the Iraqi invasion, the ambassador replied: "As I've said before, yes I do.

He maintained that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein "can only understand force."

Asked whether Iraq needed to invade Saudi Arabia to control Saudi oil-production levels and ultimately the world price of oil, the ambassador replied:

"If you look at the map, where his troops are now, they are sitting on top of some Saudi Arabian oil, which is in the Kuwait-Saudi partition zone, which is called the neutral zone."

He said there were "no guarantees" that a long-term process of economic sanctions and diplomatic pressure would work.

Mr. Saud said he did not believe the Arab nations were capable of resolving the crisis sparked by Baghdad's invasion.

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#90217d4210 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 5) - The Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) urged the Soviet Union here Sunday to seek a guarantee from Israel that Soviet Jews would not settle in the Israeli-occupied territories.

The 45-member OIC, in a resolution adopted at its 19th ministerial meeting, also appealed to the Soviet Union and Western countries to allow Jews leaving the Soviet Union to relocate in countries other than Israel.

The OIC resolution asked Moscow to "urge Israel to offer guarantees that it shall not settle Soviet Jewish immigrants in the occupied Palestinian territories," Jerusalem or the Golan Heights.

Noting that the Soviet Union is "generally supportive of the Palestinian cause," the resolution said Soviet Jewish immigration to the occupied territories "constitutes a violation of international laws."

The OIC resolution said that Isreal refuses to "recognise the right of the

Palestinian refugees to return to their homeland," which is a fundamental right according to the universal declaration of human rights.

Settling Soviet Jews in the occupied territories "contradicts the emigrant's freedom to choose the country in which he wishes to settle," the resolution said, adding that the United States "limits the entry" of Jewish immigrants to the United States and that transit centres in Europe have been closed in order to "compel" Jews to go to Israel.

Israel has said that it does not have a policy of sending Soviet Jews in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip but that the immigrants are free to settle where they want.

The OIC also asked the Soviet Union not to deprive Jewish emigrants of their Soviet nationality and allow them to return home if they desire.

The OIC called on Washington to lift restrictions on Jewish immigration, stop assistance supporting resettlement in the occupied territories, and warn that tax-exemption of funds raised in the United States to support Jewish resettlement projects contradicts U.S. policy on the question.

In an appeal to European Economic Community countries, the OIC requested that Jewish immigrants be allowed to settle in Europe if they desire, and that transit stations for emigrants be re-opened.

The OIC, whose meeting here ended Sunday, includes Islamic nations from the Middle East, Africa, and Asia as well as the Palestine Liberation Organisation.

The OIC said Sunday that "the Palestinian problem is the priority of Moslems."

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#90217d4220 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 5) - Britain is seriously considering closing its embassy in war-torn Monrovia, which has been without fresh food, electricity, water and communications for several weeks, the Foreign Office said Sunday.

The Foreign Office said the question of closing the British mission in the Liberian capital was under "active review."

Most Britons left Liberia two months ago to escape the fighting.

The Foreign Office said that only about 60 British citizens remained in Liberia and "many of them are not in the capital."

"These are people who have lived in Liberia for years and have made clear

they have no intention of leaving," the Foreign Office said.

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#90217d4290 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN (AUG. 5) - Iran's judiciary chief Sunday denounced Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, saying ''such aggression is in no way acceptable'', it was reported by the nation's Irna news agency.

Ayatollah Mohammad Yazdi told a meeting of judicial officials that disputes between two countries cannot be resolved ''by resorting to force'', it was reported.

He noted that international measures had been taken against Iraq and that ''we are yet to receive any news of the so-called revolutionary move inside Kuwait''.

Iran and Iraq agreed two years ago to a ceasefire to their eight-year war.

Early last month in Geneva, the foreign ministers of the two countries met face to face for the first time since the ceasefire for talks aimed at achieving a peace treaty.

Yazdi was quoted by Irna as saying the peace talks with Iraq were proceeding normally.

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#90217d4480 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG 5) - Arthur Scargill, president of Britain's National Union of Miners, on Sunday strongly denied claims that British miners accepted Libyan aid during their 1984-85 strike, as reported in the Sunday Times.

Mr. Scargill denied the reported assertion by Libyan leader Colonel Moamer that Kadhafi he gave money to the union for "humanitarian reasons" after meeting with NUM official Roger Windsor in October 1984.

Lybian union official Mohamed Abdullah Ali Al-Khalandi said a cheque for 200,000 dollars was sent to the union.

"The suggestion that a cheque was made payable to the NUM and cashed cannot possibly be true," Mr. Scargill told journalists, saying that the union's funds were sequestered during the strike.

A member of the internal NUM committee that is investigating the handling of union finances during the strike said Saturday night that the committee might soon visit Tripoli to question Lybian leaders.

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#90217d4600 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (AUG. 5) - The Nigerian military government is likely to send three additional naval ships to ensure the safety of its citizens in Liberia, the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) reported here Sunday.

The nation's head of the navy, Rear Admiral Murtala Nyako, and some other naval top officials inspected the ships here Sunday, NAN said.

Two Nigerian frigates, accompanied by a tug, had docked in Freetown last Thursday after failing to evacuate some 3,000 Nigerians from the war-torn West African nation.

The frigates anchored off the Liberian coast for eight days but decided not to go ahead with the evacuation because of fighting in Monrovia.

President Ibrahim Babangida left here Sunday for Banjul to participate in a mini-Ecowas summit on the crisis, scheduled to begin Monday in the Gambian capital.

-30- 1018
#90217d4690 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (AUG. 5) - Iraq on Sunday announced the first phase of its military withdrawal from Kuwait as the international community stepped up economic sanctions to protest the Iraqi invasion.

Washington, which has access to satellite data of the region, voiced scepticism over the withdrawal and there was no independent confirmation of it from witnesses in Kuwait.

Iraqi television showed columns of tanks and trucks and said they were returning home over the Kuwaiti border while Iraqi First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan said the withdrawal would take "days or weeks."

Units of the Kuwaiti "popular army," which has reportedly attracted 140,000 Iraqi volunteers, entered the emirate on Saturday.

The Iraqi-installed Kuwaiti provisional government, made up of nine officers, addressed an implicit warning that foreign nationals could be endangered if third countries intervened.

"Countries that resort to retaliatory action against the government of free Kuwait or brotherly Iraq should remember they have interests and citizens in Kuwait," it said.

A group of four Swedish and Finnish nationals who left Kuwait said Sunday that Iraqi troops were not allowing U.S. and British citizens to leave the emirate, which has 3,000 American residents and another 3,000 Britons.

Mr. Ramadan, on a visit to Ankara aimed at preventing Turkey from closing an Iraqi pipeline across its territory, said Iraq would defend Kuwait if the emirate came under attack.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein meanwhile announced the formation of 11 new army divisions, raising the military to the same strength as at the end of the Gulf war with Iran in August 1988.

Japan on Sunday banned oil imports from Iraq and Kuwait and cut off all trade, credit and other commercial links with Baghdad, following Washington and the European Economic Community with harsh sanctions for Thursday's invasion.

With the economic noose tightening, China joined the Soviet Union in banning arms sales to Iraq, which invaded its southern neighbour in a dispute over oil and borders.

Mr. Ramadan warned Turkey that closure of the Iraqi pipeline, which is vital to Baghdad's economy, would harm relations between the two countries. He described his mission to Ankara as successful.

Hailing the international campaign against Iraq, the Kuwaiti emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, called on his people to resist Iraqi occupation and said his country was not alone in the struggle.

"With regrets, I must state that the aggressor is a neighbour that we have supported in difficult times," said the emir, apparently referring to Kuwait's support for Baghdad in the Gulf conflict.

Saudi Arabia's military forces were on alert Sunday, reliable sources in Riyadh said, although they ruled out any Iraqi military operation against the oil-rich kingdom.

U.S. President George Bush has warned Iraq against venturing into Saudi Arabia.

The Kuwaiti provisional administration Sunday staked its claim for control of diplomatic missions abroad, where officials denounced what they called the Iraqi-installed "puppet government."

The head of the government, Colonel Ala'a Hussein Ali, warned that those who stayed loyal to the emir would be recalled and have their assets seized.

The interior ministry said the curfew imposed Friday was being eased and would only remain in effect from 9 p.m. until 7.30 a.m. Residents said the curfew was not being tightly enforced.

Analysts in the region said Iraq aimed to transform Kuwait into a protectorate by setting up the new administration, with which it was likely to enter one-sided negotiations on their disputed border.

On the diplomatic front, Mr. Hussein met Sunday with PLO leader Yasser Arafat. The Palestine Liberation Organisation, along with Jordan, Sudan and Yemen, voted against an Arab League resolution condemning the Iraqi invasion.

King Hussein of Jordan said he refused to accept Friday's resolution because he feared it could prompt non-Arab intervention.

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#90217d4750 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABERDEEN, SCOTLAND (AUG. 5) - Union officials said an unlimited wildcat strike on North Sea oil and gas wells was "overwhelmingly" followed Sunday while the managements at two oil companies reported only limited responses.

It was not immediately possible to verify any of the claims.

A spokesman for Shell said that the strike call received "a very limited response" from workers.

Shell said its production on North Sea oil rigs was unaffected by the strike and British Petroleum likewise said most of its rigs were unaffected.

The striking workers on a hundred or so rigs and in oilfields from the Shetland Islands in Scotland to East Anglia in southeastern England called the strike to press demands for safer working conditions and to protest the dismissal Saturday of some 1,000 Shell contract workers who had staged a strike of their own.

The contract workers had refused on Thursday to leave North Sea oil rigs to protest safety conditions and to demand recognition of their union.

Shell management warned the strikers that they would be "automatically dismissed" if they did not return to land by Saturday at noon.

-30- 1347

#90217d4800 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 5) - France on Sunday announced an immediate embargo on

imports of oil from Iraq and Kuwait.

A statement from Prime Minister Michel Rocard said the embargo followed "the intervention of Iraqi forces in Kuwait and the declaration (of an economic embargo) by the European Community and its member states".

A government source said imports of Iraqi crude had fallen slightly over the past three years to a total of 5.7 million tonnes in 1989. Some 2.7 million tonnes was imported in the first half of 1990. Hardly any Kuwaiti crude oil was imported.

France spent 5.3 billion francs (1.07 billion dollars) on a range of Iraqi petroleum products in 1989.

-30- 863

#90217d4840 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SIDON, LEBANON (AUG. 5) - Red Cross teams Sunday evacuated the bodies of five militiamen killed in clashes between rival Shiite groups in south Lebanon, raising to 86 the number of dead recovered in a three-day operation.

The latest bodies bo be recovered were those of two militiamen of the pro-Syrian Shiite group Amal and of three members of the Syrian Social Nationalist Party, a Lebanese secular group fighting alongside Amal.

At least 222 people have been killed and 410 wounded in the three-week-old battle between Amal and its Iranian-backed rival Hezbollah.

The dead include 55 fighters of the PLO's mainstream Fatah group which was deployed as a buffer force in the Iqlim al-Touffah mountains, southeast of this port city, and has halted Hezbollah's advance.

The International Committee of the Red Cross evacuated 59 bodies from the battleground on Friday and another 22 bodies on Saturday. They had been abandoned for several days.

-30- 1141

#90217d4880 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 5) - Soviet deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Bolonogov Sunday met with Iraqi Ambassador Ghafil Jassim Hussein to discuss Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait, Tass news agency reported.

The ambassador handed him a message from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in response to a message earlier sent to him by the Soviet leadership, Tass said.

Mr. Bolonogov stressed the importance attached by the Soviet Union to the prompt evacuation of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

Moscow, which has condemned the Iraqi invasion, was closely monitoring the safety of Soviet citizens in the region, the agency also said.

The Soviet Embassy in Kuwait, Tass said, had earlier reported that no Soviet citizens were hurt in the invasion.

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#90217d4890 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (AUG. 5) - Syrian President Hafez al-Assad and Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati held talks here Sunday on the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, Syrian television reported.

Mr. Velayati, on a 24-hour visit to Damascus, delivered a message from Iran's President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani on the repercussions of Thursday's invasion.

Both Iran and Syria have condemned the invasion and called for a withdrawal of Iraqi troops from the Gulf emirate.

Mr. Velayati was also expected to meet here with a delegation of officials from the Iranian-backed Lebanese Shiite group Hezbollah.

The group has been pitted in battle in southern Lebanon against its Shiite rivals in the pro-Syrian movement Amal since mid-July. At least 222 people have been killed in the fighting.

Syria and Iran played key roles in the liberation in April of two U.S. hostages, Robert Polhill and Frank Reed. Pro-Iranian groups are believed to be holding most of the 15 Western hostages still missing in Lebanon.

-30- 1210

#90217d4930 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

QUITO (AUG. 5) - A U.S. naval task force has began joint maneuvers with Ecuadoran naval units as part of the annual UNITAS exercises, Ecuadoran Navy chief Hugo Unda said Sunday.

Admiral Unda, who also heads the armed forces joint chies of staff, was commanding the Ecuadoran units which began the maneuvers Saturday with U.S. Navy surface vessels, submarines, planes and Marines.

The U.S. destoyer Hayler, the frigate Stephen W. Country, the landing craft Harlan Country, and the submarine Greenling were participating in the exercises along with the guided-missile cruiser Josephus Daniel.

The maneuvers are to last until August 14 and are aimed at practicing rapid troop deployment at designated beaches in this oil-producing state as well as defending beachheads.

The landings will focus on Manab province.

-30- 1015

#90217d4950 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARBEL, LIBERIA (AUG. 5) - Charles Taylor's rebels supported an evacuation of U.S. personnel from Liberia on Sunday and announced that a breakaway rebel force had taken hostages in the capital.

Guerrillas of the National Patriotic Front of Lieria (NPFL) had gone into Monrovia to try to release the hostages captured by Prince Johnson, a renegade from the NPFL, who has launched his own bid to take power.

"I have ordered my army into the city of Monrovia since this dangerous development..and I will bring under control shortly this terrorist Prince Johnson," Mr. Taylor said.

No details were released about the identity of the hostages.

Mr. Johnson had Saturday night reportedly threatened to take hostages to try to provoke an international incident as Nigeria considered intervening to end the bloodshed in Liberia, where rebels are fighting to topple President Samuel Doe.

"The top priority is the release of the hostages now,' a spokesman for Mr. Taylor said. "The war is on but the lives of the people is more important, be they American, Japanese or whatever.' he could not say what nationality the hostages were.

"The United States government informed us last night of the intent to evacuate citizens,." the spokesman said.

"The exercise now going on was agreed upon by both parties."

Washington had not specified the timing of the operation, which led to some confusion Sunday morning. One unit commander told AFP his men had fired on a helicopter.

Spokesman Eric Scott said the United States had contacted Mr. Taylor again Sunday about the evacuation.

"Every government has an obligation to protect its nationals," Mr. Scott told reporters.

"We have from time to time evacuted foreigners who have expressed a wish to leave,' he said, adding that support for the U.S. move was consistent with the NPFL's own policy.

Washington had from the start said the three warships carrying some 2,000 Marines would be used for evacuations only, Mr. Scott said.

From behind rebel lines four helicopters could be seen over the capital evacuating U.S. personnel.

Rebels took this correspondent to the palm-fringed beach, just south of Monrovia, from where two U.S. warships could be seen on the horizon.

The helicopters, flying in pairs, were seen landing on a vessel with the executive mansion, where President Doe is believed to be holed up, silhouetted in the background and overlooking the sea.

The helicopters had not ventured as far as the U.S. government's Voice of America radio station, about 30 kilometres (2O miles) north of Monrovia, by late afternoon.

Nine thousand refugees have taken shelter at the radio main facility in West Africa, but all U.S. citizens had already left weeks ago.

The Marines had not gone either to the massive Omega navigation centre, built by the United States in 1973 as one of only half a dozen such facilities around the world to enable ships and lanes to pinpoint their positions. No U.S. citizens remain there.

Mr. Taylor, in a statement about the hostages issued here at his headquarters in the Firestone rubber plantation, said his "government leaves open the option to seek special professional assistance from friendly countries ... Should our efforts to move in and control the problem, prove to be inadequate.

"Prince Johnson, realising that my forces have surrounded him, and Samuel Doe in Monrovia with no way out, seeks to confuse the situation to rescue himself. There is no escape for him or Doe now.'

Sources close to Mr. Taylor noted the "coincidence" of the hostage-taking with the U.S. evacuations, hinting that it was an ideal excuse for Washington to step in.

Mr. Taylor has accused the United States of covertly backing Mr. Johnson, who he says fled from the NPFL when a warrant was issued for his arrest on murder charges.

It has been alleged that Washington refused to deal with Mr. Taylor, a former civil servant who went to live in the United States after being accused of a million dollar fraud, because NPFL men have been trained in Libya.

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#90217d5030 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 5) - The U.N. Security Council was meeting later Sunday for consultations on a resolution calling for economic sanctions and a military embargo against Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait, diplomatic sources said here.

The five permanent members of the council -- Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the United States -- met early Sunday for consultations that might lead to a total boycott of Iraq, the sources said.

The full council was set to meet at 2200 GMT, the sources said.

The resolution is likely to be co-sponsored by the United States, France and Britain, sources said.

A formal vote by the council on such measures could be held late Sunday or early Monday, the sources added.

This is the second time -- after the case of South Africa -- that the Security Council has discussed adopting a military embargo against a member nation of the United Nations.

China has declared that it will not object to the holding of the council meeting.

Sunday, China said it would no longer sell weapons to Iraq after a top U.S. official made a snap visit to Beijing to urge it to join Washington and Moscow in an arms embargo.

In a brief statement, the foreign ministry said that as China had voted for U.N. Security Council resolution 660 condemning Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, "it will, naturally, not sell arms to Iraq under such circumstances."

China is one of Iraq's most important arms suppliers.

The draft resolution calls on all nations, including those that are not U.N. members, to adopt the following measures until Iraq completely and unconditionally withdraws its forces from Kuwait:

-- Block all imports from Iraq and Kuwait.

-- Block the transfer of funds to Iraq and Kuwait.

-- Block the sale to Iraq and Kuwait of all their products, especially arms and other military equipment. The text excludes medical items.

It also proposes to establish a special committee of representatives of the 15 nations in the Security Council to verify the boycott was being implemented.

Finally, the resolution asks that U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar inform the Security Council on the progress of the boycott, with a first report due in 30 days.

The proposal is heading for a Council vote after wide-ranging consultations, not only with the non-permanent members of the Council, but also with other groups in the United Nations, notably the Arab group and the non-aligned countries.

U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. Thomas Pickering was meeting later Sunday with Security Council members that belong to the Non-Aligned Movement: Colombia, Cuba, Ethiopia, Ivory Coast, Malaysia, Yemen and Zaire.

A Security Council resolution adopted unanimously Thursday condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and called for the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces.

Yemen abstained from the vote.

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#90217d5270 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 5) - Israeli intelligence believes Iraq is unlikely to follow up on its invasion of Kuwait with a similar attack on Saudi Arabia, Israeli television said Sunday.

There is no operation plan for a second invasion, according to reports submitted to the government by the intelligence services during a cabinet session here.

But intelligence officials were concerned by the amount of sophisticated Western arms that had fallen into Iraqi hands since Thursday's invasion, the television said.

Finance Minister Yitzhak Modai said in the cabinet meeting that Israel should request an increase in U.S. military aid because of what he called the Iraqi threat.

Saudi Arabia's military forces were on alert Sunday, reliable sources in

Riyadh said earlier, although they ruled out an Iraqi military operation against the kingdom.

The Saudi government also held a special session on the Iraq-Kuwait crisis.

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#90217d5290 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 5) - U.S. President George Bush Sunday said a united front is emerging among Washington's allies to put pressure on Iraq to move its forces out of Kuwait.

Bush, speaking to reporters at the White House, said Iraq had lied again by saying it was withdrawing from Kuwait. There was ''no evidence'' of the Iraqi forces moving out.

Iraq earlier announced that it was beginning to pull out part of its forces from Kuwait following its invasion Thursday.

Asked about the possiblity of Turkey closing down the pipeline which carries Iraqi oil throught its territory to the Mediterranean, Bush said this was being considered.

Bush said he had spoken to Turkish President Turgut Ozal over the telephone and would speak to him again. The said North Atlantic Alliance (Nato) nations, including Turkey, felt strongly that concerted action was needed to isolate Baghdad.

Iraq has warned Turkey against closing the pipeline.

Ozal Saturday warned Iraq about the ''gravity of the situation ''which arose with the invasion of Kuwait and urged it to take into consideration the United Nations Security Council resolution and the reaction of the world community.

Bush said the installation of a puppet government in the oil-rich Gulf country was unacceptable to the rest of the world. ''That signal has gone loud and clear to Iraq,'' he added.

He reiterated that Washington would still keep its options for a respone ''wide open''.

The ''Iraqis lied once again,'' Bush said. ''They said they were going to begin moving out today, and we have no evidence they are moving out.''

Bush is due to have talks Monday with Nato secretary-General Manfred Woerner and British Premier Margaret Thatcher Monday.

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#90217d6390 08/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (AUG. 6) - The killer earthquake which struck the Philippines last month pushed up the national inflation rate to 12.6 percent in July, the government's National Statistics Office said Monday.

The figure was 0.4 percent higher than that for June and 2.3 percent more than the July inflation rate last year, a spokesmen said.

The reversal in the inflation rate, which had been on a downward trend in May and June, was attributed partly to spending on housing repairs.

The spokesmen said the increase also reflected price increases for food, beverage and tobacco brought about by production losses arising from the July 16 temblor which left at least 1,660 people dead.

The inflation rate for Manila was even higher in the period, shooting up to 16.5 percent from 14 percent in June, they said.

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#90217u0109 08/05/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 5) UPI - The White House says President Bush Saturday considered possible responses to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Among the options contemplated were tactical air strikes against Iraqi invasion forces... bombing runs into Iraq... and a naval blockade of Iraqi oil exports in the Persian Gulf. Bush has said he will keep all options open if Iraq continues its military action into Saudi Arabia.

Iraq's ambassador to the United States denied Saturday that his country's forces have taken up positions in the so-called neutral zone between Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. The envoy said there was NO truth to statements that Iraqi forces had pentrated the rectangular piece of oil-rich desert that lies between Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.

Andrew Young spent the day Saturday trying to win the support of Georgian voters in his bid to win the Democratic nomination for governor. Young pounded the pavement and the flesh in a last-minute effort to galvanize his fledgling campaign against Lieutenant Governor Zell Miller. Recent reports indicate Miller enjoys a 20-point lead prior to Tuesday's runoff election.

Yugoslavia's state news agency reported Saturday that Romanian military officials have pressed criminal charges against the former head of Romania's infamous secret police. A military statement released in Bucharest indicates Lieutenant General Iulian Vlad will be tried on genocide charges next month because of his efforts to stem last year's

popular uprising.

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#90217u0111 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - The Navy says it is looking into allegations by crewmembers aboard the U-S-S Nimitz that the aircraft carrier may be UNsafe. Four seamen told a Washington state television station they thought fellow sailors' qualifications may have been falsified to keep the ship's operations on schedule. The sailors also alleged overworked crewmembers had talked about sabotaging the craft.

Britons Saturday celebrated the birthday of a woman they all know and love as the ''Queen Mum.'' The Queen Mother... the mother of Queen Elizabeth... marked her 90th year Saturday with a party attended by thousands of well-wishers. Queen Mum was feted at other celebrations which capped a week-long tribute. The senior stateswoman of Buckingham Palace owes much of her enduring popularity to the pluck she displayed during the dark days of World War Two.

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#90217u0113 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

TACOMA, Wash. (AUG. 5) UPI - Marina Klimova and Sergei Ponomarenko of the Soviet Union won the gold medal in ice dancing at the Goodwill Games Saturday. Maia Usova and Alexander Zhulin of the Soviet Union won the silver and Susan Wynne and Joseph Druar of the United States took the bronze.

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#90217u0139 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - GOODWILL GAMES STANDINGS

(Standings through 176 events)

	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Tot.
Soviet Union	62	65	49	176
United States	56	48	42	146
East Germany	10	7	23	40
Bulgaria	7	7	8	22
China	6	6	3	15
West Germany	4	3	8	15
Japan	2	3	10	15
Cuba	6	4	3	13
Canada	4	1	6	11
South Korea	3	2	3	8
Romania	2	4	2	8
Spain	3	2	2	7

Netherlands	1	1	5	7
Australia	0	4	3	7
Brazil	0	1	6	7
Hungary	1	1	4	6
Poland	4	1	0	5
Italy	2	2	1	5
Jamaica	1	1	2	4
Great Britain	0	2	2	4
Yugoslavia	2	1	0	3
Denmark	1	1	1	3
Turkey	0	2	1	3
Mongolia	1	1	0	2
Ethiopia	0	2	0	2
New Zealand	0	2	0	2
Kenya	0	1	1	2
Czechoslovakia	1	0	0	1
Mexico	1	0	0	1
Morocco	1	0	0	1
Suriname	1	0	0	1
Bahamas	0	1	0	1
Ireland	0	0	1	1
Virgin Islands	0	0	1	1

(Tie for silver in men's 200-meter breaststroke in swimming; tie for gold in men's 400-meter individual medley in swimming; tie for silver in men's floor in gymnastics; tie for gold in horizontal bars in gymnastics; tie for gold in parallel bars in gymnastics; tie for bronze in men's 800 meters; tie for silver in women's high jump; tie for bronze in men's 200-meter individual medley; tie for bronze in rope in rhythmic gymnastics; tie for gold in hoop in rhythmic gymnastics; tie for silver in ribbon and ball in rhythmic gymnastics; tie for gold in floor in gymnastics; tie for bronze in all judo weight classes (9); tie for bronze in all boxing weight classes(6).)

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#90217u0163 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

COLUMBUS, NM (AUG. 5) UPI - A pilot hoping to fly his solar-powered plane across the country to the cradle of aviation completed the first leg of his voyage, a 133-mile hop from Arizona to New Mexico lasting about six hours.

Eric Raymond left Wilcox, Ariz., at 1:03 p.m. Saturday in the solar plane Sun-Seeker and landed at 7:15 p.m. near Columbus, about 75 miles west of his intended target of El Paso, Texas, spokesman Jack Whitehouse said.

Raymond, a champion hang glider from Lake Elsinore, Calif., is attempting to fly the one-man aircraft to Kitty Hawk, N.C., within seven days and

reach the site where Wilbur and Orville Wright made the first powered flight in 1903.

Raymond, 33, made three previous unsuccessful attempts to launch the cross-country trek. He planned to continue the journey Sunday with a goal of landing the 23-foot-long plane in Abilene, Texas, by nightfall.

Sun-Seeker weighs 195 pounds and is constructed from a lightweight carbon fiber and high-density aircraft foam. Raymond spent four years building the aircraft in his garage with the help of his father, who is an engineer and several retired aeronautical engineers interested in the project.

The plane is propelled by a battery-powered, three-horsepower motor charged by 700 solar cells to convert sunlight into electricity. The sun-powered motor is used primarily for takeoffs and landings.

Although the aircraft can fly at night because it has about two hours worth of stored solar power, the plane is not equipped with running lights and will be flown after nightfall only in an emergency, Whitehouse said.

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#90217u0177 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - AL STANDINGS

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	58	48	.547	-	36-17	22-31	8-2	W-6
Toronto	56	51	.524	2 1/2	29-26	27-25	5-5	L-3
Baltimore	53	54	.495	5 1/2	26-26	27-28	6-4	L-1
Detroit	51	58	.468	8 1/2	26-30	25-28	4-6	L-2
Cleveland	49	57	.462	9	25-26	24-31	3-7	W-1
Milwaukee	45	60	.429	12 1/2	24-31	21-29	1-9	L-7
New York	41	64	.390	16 1/2	21-29	20-35	6-4	L-1

West

Oakland	67	41	.620	-	33-20	34-21	5-5	L-1
Chicago	62	41	.602	2 1/2	31-23	31-18	6-4	W-5
Texas	56	50	.528	10	29-23	27-27	8-2	W-6
Seattle	56	52	.519	11	28-27	28-25	6-4	W-1
California	52	56	.481	15	26-26	26-30	5-5	W-1
Minnesota	51	57	.472	16	28-28	23-29	5-5	L-1
Kansas City	49	57	.462	17	26-24	23-33	4-6	W-1

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(AUG 5.) UPI - AL BOX SCORES

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Whitaker 2b	5	0	2	0	JoReed 2b	4	1	1	1
Fryman 3b	4	0	2	0	Rivera 2b	0	0	0	0
Trammell ss	4	0	1	0	Quintana 1b	3	0	1	0
Fielder 1b	4	0	0	0	Boggs 3b	4	1	3	1
Moseby cf	4	1	2	0	Burks cf	3	0	1	0
Sheets dh	3	0	1	0	Greenwell lf	4	0	0	0
Lusader dh	0	0	0	0	Evans dh	2	1	1	1
Ward lf	4	0	1	1	Brunnsky rf	4	0	1	0
Lemon rf	4	0	0	0	Naehring ss	3	0	0	0
Heath c	3	0	0	0	Marzano c	4	0	0	0
Bergman ph	0	0	0	0					
Shelby pr	0	0	0	0					
Totals	35	1	9	1	Totals	31	3	8	3

Detroit	000 100 000- 1
Boston	000 011 10x- 3

DP-Detroit 1. LOB-Detroit 9, Boston 10. 2B-Whitaker, Boggs, Moseby, Brunansky, Trammell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Searcy (L 1-3)	8	8	3	3	6	7
Boston						
Clemens (W 15-5)	8 2-3	9	1	1	2	8
Murphy (S 6)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

T-3:00. A-34,857.

Umpires-Home, Cedarstrom; 1b, McKean; 2b, Young; 3b, Meriwether.

CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Cole Jr cf	5	4	3	0	Kelly cf	4	0	2	0
DiJames 1b	4	1	1	2	Sax 2b	3	1	1	1
Manto 1b	1	2	1	3	Tolleson 2b	1	0	0	0
Alomar c	5	1	2	1	Azocar lf	3	0	0	1
Skinner c	0	0	0	0	Balboni dh	3	0	0	0
Maldonado lf	4	2	1	2	Hall dh	0	0	0	0
CJames dh	6	1	2	1	Barfield rf	4	1	1	0
Jacoby 3b	4	3	2	0	Maas 1b	4	0	1	1
Snyder rf	5	2	3	4	Leyritz 3b	2	0	0	0
Brookens 2b	5	0	1	3	Velarde 3b	1	0	0	0
Fermin ss	4	1	2	0	Geren c	3	0	0	0

Black p	0	0	0	0	Dorsett c	1	0	0	0
					Espinoza ss	3	1	1	0
Totals	43	17	18	16	Totals	32	3	6	3

Cleveland	210 004 523- 17
New York	000 120 000- 3

DP-New York 1. LOB-Cleveland 6, New York 5. 2B-Jacoby 2, Barfield, Sax, CJames, Brookens. HR-DiJames (1), Snyder (13), Maldonado (16), Manto (1). SB-Cole Jr (11). SF-Azocar.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Black (W 10-6)	7	6	3	3	1	4
Ward	1	0	0	0	0	0
Olin	1	0	0	0	0	1
New York						
Leary (L 5-14)	6	7	7	7	3	2
Leiter	2-3	4	5	5	1	1
JJones	2 1-3	7	5	5	3	1

HBP-by Ward (Hall). T-3:00. A- 24,550.

Umpires-Home, Hickox; 1b, Morrison; 2b, Joyce; 3b, Kosc.

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Seitzer 3b	5	0	0	0	Anderson cf	3	0	0	0
Pecota 2b	4	1	2	0	Orsulak lf	4	0	0	0
Brett 1b	5	1	2	1	Milligan 1b	3	0	1	0
Tartabull rf	5	2	2	3	Kittle 1b	1	0	0	0
Eisenreich lf	4	2	2	0	Horn dh	3	0	1	0
Perry dh	4	1	1	0	CRipken ss	4	1	2	0
Wilson cf	3	1	0	0	Tettleton c	4	0	0	0
Tabler lf	1	0	0	0	Hulett 3b	4	0	2	1
Macfarlan c	4	1	2	5	Finley rf	3	0	0	0
Stillwell ss	4	0	2	0	BRipken 2b	2	0	0	0
					Gonzales 2b	1	0	0	0
Totals	39	9	13	9	Totals	32	1	6	1

Kansas City	042 000 201- 9
Baltimore	000 000 100- 1

E-BRipken. DP-Kansas City 1, Baltimore 1. LOB-Kansas City 4, Baltimore 6. 2B-Brett, Hulett. HR-Macfarlane (4), Tartabull 2 (10), Brett (8).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Kansas City						
McGaffigan (W 3-0)	6	2	0	0	1	5
Farr	2	2	1	1	1	1
Montgomery	1	2	0	0	0	2
Baltimore						
Harnisch (L 9-6)	1 1-3	6	4	3	0	1
Williamson	2 2-3	5	2	2	0	3
Ballard	4	1	2	2	1	2
Price	1	1	1	1	0	1

T-2:55. A-48,160.

Umpires-Home, Coble; 1b, Voltaggio; 2b, Welke; 3b, Ford.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Bradley lf	4	1	2	0	Molitor 1b	5	1	3	2
Ventura 3b	5	0	1	2	Surhoff c	5	1	2	2
Calderon dh	4	1	1	2	Sheffield 3b	4	0	0	0
Fisk c	4	1	0	0	Parker dh	4	1	2	0
Thomas 1b	2	2	1	0	Yount cf	4	0	0	1
Lyons 1b	1	0	0	0	Deer rf	4	0	0	0
Martinez 1b	1	0	0	0	Hamilton lf	3	1	1	0
Sosa rf	5	2	2	3	Gantner 2b	4	1	1	0
Johnson cf	4	1	2	1	Spiers ss	4	1	2	0
Grebeck 2b	2	1	0	1					
Guillen ss	3	0	1	0					
Totals	35	9	10	9	Totals	37	6	11	5

Chicago	010 106 001- 9
Milwaukee	001 010 040- 6

E-Molitor, Sheffield, Yount, Thomas, Sosa, Ventura. DP-Chicago 1, Milwaukee 1. LOB-Chicago 6, Milwaukee 5. 2B-Sosa, Molitor. 3B-Spiers. HR-Sosa (10), Calderon (11). SB-Bradley (11), Johnson (19). S-Guillen. SF-Grebeck, Calderon.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Peterson (W 2-3)	7	7	3	2	0	1
Patterson	1-3	3	3	2	0	0
Jones	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Thigpen (S 35)	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Milwaukee						
Krueger (L 5-7)	5	5	4	3	2	1
Edens	3	4	4	4	1	2

Plesac	1	1	1	1	0	1

Krueger pitched to 2 batters in the 6th, Peterson pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

HBP-by Edens (Grebeck). WP- Krueger. T-3:28. A-52,198.

Umpires-Home, Merrill; 1b, Denkin- ger; 2b, Shulock; 3b, McClelland.

TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson cf	4	0	0	0	Huson ss	4	0	0	0
Fernandz ss	4	0	0	0	Franco 2b	4	2	2	0
Gruber rf	4	0	0	0	Palmeiro 1b	4	1	2	1
Bell lf	4	0	1	0	Sierra rf	4	0	2	2
McGriff 1b	4	0	1	0	Reimer dh	3	0	1	0
Olerud dh	2	1	0	0	Incaviglia lf	3	0	0	0
Myers c	3	1	2	0	Petralli c	3	0	0	0
Williams pr	0	0	0	0	Buechele 3b	3	0	0	0
Borders c	0	0	0	0	Pettis cf	3	0	1	0
Mulliniks 3b	3	0	1	1					
Lee 2b	3	0	0	1					
Totals	31	2	5	2	Totals	31	3	8	3

Toronto	000 020 000- 2
Texas	102 000 00x- 3

DP-Texas 1. LOB-Toronto 4, Texas 4. 2B-Myers, Bell, McGriff. 3B-Palmeiro, Sierra. SB-Franco (19).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Stottlemyre (L 10-12)	7	7	3	3	0	7
Ward	1	1	0	0	0	1
Texas						
Witt (W 10-8)	9	5	2	2	2	5

WP-Witt. T-2:36. A-35,211.

Umpires-Home, Reilly; 1b, Garcia; 2b, Palermo; 3b, Scott.

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
RHendrsn lf	5	1	2	0	Polonia lf	4	0	2	3
Lansford 3b	6	0	0	1	Bichette rf	1	0	0	0
Canseco rf	6	0	0	0	Venable lf	5	0	1	0
DHendrsn dh	6	1	2	0	White cf	5	1	2	0

Hassey c	3	0	0	0	Winfield dh	4	1	2	1
Steinbach c	2	0	0	0	Stevens 1b	4	1	3	1
McGwire 1b	0	1	0	0	Ray 2b	5	1	1	1
Blnknshp 3b	1	1	0	0	Parrish c	5	0	0	0
Jennings 1b	0	0	0	0	Anderson 3b	2	1	0	0
Jose cf	5	1	4	1	Hill 3b	1	0	0	0
Weiss ss	5	0	2	3	Schofield ss	4	1	0	0
Gallego 2b	5	0	1	0	Grahe p	0	0	0	0
Totals	44	5	11	5	Totals	40	6	11	6

One out when winning run scored

Oakland	100	003	010	000- 5
California	000	500	000	001- 6

E-Parrish, Ray. DP-Oakland 3, California 1. LOB-Oakland 11, California 9. 2B-RHenderson, DHenderson, Jose, Winfield. 3B-White, Polonia. SB-RHenderson (48). S-Jose, Steinbach, Bichette.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Moore	7	8	5	5	2	3
Honeycutt	1	1	0	0	1	0
Burns (L 2-3)	3 1-3	1	1	1	2	3
Klink	0	1	0	0	2	0
California						
Grahe	5 1-3	6	4	3	4	4
ClYoung	2 1-3	3	1	1	1	3
Harvey	2 1-3	1	0	0	0	2
Eichhorn (W 2-4)	2	1	0	0	1	1

HBP-by Moore (Anderson). T-3:59. A -52,774.

Umpires-Home, Cooney; 1b, Tschida; 2b, Reed; 3b, Cousins.

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Gladden lf	5	0	1	0	Reynolds 2b	4	1	1	1
Liriano 2b	3	0	0	0	Briley rf	2	0	0	0
Puckett cf	3	1	0	0	Cotto rf	1	0	0	0
Gaetti 3b	4	0	0	0	Griffey cf	3	0	0	0
Harper c	3	1	1	1	Davis dh	3	1	1	1
Moses rf	0	1	0	0	O'Brien 1b	4	0	2	1
Hrbek 1b	4	0	3	1	Martinez 3b	4	1	2	0
Ortiz c	2	0	0	0	Jones lf	3	0	0	0
Mack rf	1	0	0	0	Bradley c	4	1	2	1
Larkin ph	0	0	0	0	Vizquel ss	3	0	0	0
Newman ss	4	0	0	1					

Totals 29 3 5 3 Totals 31 4 8 4
Two out when winning run scored

Minnesota 000 200 001- 3
Seattle 000 001 111- 4

DP-Minnesota 2, Seattle 1. LOB- Minnesota 7, Seattle 7. 2B-Harper, Martinez, Bradley, Davis, Reynolds. S- Mack, Jones, Ortiz.

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Johnson	8	5	3	3	5	5
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Johnson pitched to 2 batters in the 9th.

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Umpires-Home, Clark; 1b, Hirsch- beck; 2b, Roe; 3b, Phillips.

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#90217u0192 08/05/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 5) UPI - The Cubs's two big guns are smoking again, but Kevin Gross and the Expos are still cold.

Andre Dawson hit a two-run homer and three-run double Saturday night, while Ryne Sandberg went 4 for 5 and scored four runs to power Chicago to a 10-2 victory over the Montreal Expos, who dropped their fourth straight game.

Gross, 8-9, absorbed the shelling, allowing 11 hits over five-plus innings. He has now lost five straight starts and hasn't won since June 11.

Sandberg emerged from a 17 for 86 (.198) slump.

''I'm just trying to go up there and swing my way through it,'' Sandberg said. ''I just wasn't swinging the bat well.''

The Cubs' second baseman recorded his fifth four-hit game of the season to

bring his average up to .313. He was hitting .335 at the All-Star break.

Sandberg's fellow South Side All-Star has gotten back into the swing of things as well.

Dawson smacked his 21st home run with two out in the fourth, driving in Sandberg who had singled and stole second, and giving the Cubs a 6-1 lead. It was his second homer in three days after going without one since July 7.

''I looked at some films,'' Dawson said. ''I'm just trying to go back up the middle and use my hands more. I was overswinging.''

Dawson is 35 for 90 (.388) since July 1.

''He's hitting both - good pitches and bad pitches - but we haven't thrown him too many good pitches in the last few days so I can't tell,'' Montreal Manager Buck Rodgers said. ''They out pitched, out hit, out hustled, out everything against us.''

The Cubs are leading the league in hitting with a .273 team average.

Rookie Shawn Boskie, 5-6, scattered seven hits, struck out one and walked one, leaving after six innings with a tender right elbow.

''I think it's a good sign that we're putting both (pitching and hitting) together,'' Sandberg said. ''Maybe we can keep this up for awhile.''

The defending NL East champs, who at one point were 16 games under .500, have climbed back to seven under.

''Sixteen games under I would say is ugly,'' said Chicago Manager Don Zimmer. ''Seven under is a little prettier.''

-- AROUND THE NL --

Elsewhere in the National League: St. Louis topped New York 7-5, San Francisco edged Los Angeles 2-1, Pittsburgh downed Philadelphia 3-1 in 10 innings, San Diego slammed Cincinnati 7-3 in 11 innings, and Houston stopped Atlanta 6-2.

In the American League it was: Boston 3, Detroit 1; Cleveland 17, New York 3; Kansas City 9, Baltimore 3; Texas 3, Toronto 2; Chicago 9, Milwaukee 6; Seattle 4, Minnesota 3, and California 6, Oakland 5.

Cardinals 7, Mets 5

At St. Louis, Terry Pendleton stroked a three-run double in the sixth inning and Pedro Guerrero and Rex Hudler smacked two-run homers to lift

the Cardinals. Loser Dwight Gooden, 11-6, gave up five runs and seven hits in six innings to snap an eight game winning streak. Ken Hill, 2-1, allowed three runs, nine hits, walked none and struck out five.

Giants 2, Dodgers 1

At San Francisco, rookie Trevor Wilson, 7-3, pitched a two-hitter and won for the first time in six starts to pull the Giants to within 3 1-2 games of Cincinnati in the NL West. Mike Morgan dropped to 9-10. Brett Butler scored from second base on a fly ball in the first when right fielder Hubie Brooks lost track of the number of outs and began jogging back to the bench.

Pirates 3, Phillies 1, 10 innings

At Philadelphia, catcher Don Slaught, hitting in the leadoff spot for the first time in his career, knocked in three runs including two with a double in the 10th inning to lift Pittsburgh into a first-place tie in the NL East. Bob Patterson, 8-3, got the victory despite surrendering a game-tying home run to Von Hayes in the ninth inning. Roger McDowell, 3-5, took the loss.

Padres 7, Reds 3, 11 innings

At Cincinnati, Joe Carter hit a grand slam off Rick Mahler, 4-5, in the 11th inning to send the Reds to their 11th loss in their last 13 games. The Reds have seen their 9 1-2 game lead since July 25 crumble to 3 1-2 over San Francisco in the NL West. Reliever Greg Harris pitched two scoreless innings for the win. He allowed one hit and two walks.

Astros 6, Braves 2

At Houston, Glenn Wilson's two-run homer highlighted a five-run fourth inning to pace the Astros. Jim Deshaies, 5-9, allowed six hits and walked one while striking out five in his first complete game of the season. Charlie Leibrandt dropped to 4-5. Wilson now has nine homers on the year.

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#90217u0195 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (AUG. 5) UPI - Gary Kubiak hit wide receiver Mark Jackson with a 32-yard touchdown pass and Jeff Treadwell added a 37-yard field goal Sunday to lead the Denver Broncos to a 10-7 victory over the Seattle Seahawks in the American Bowl at the Tokyo Dome.

Both Denver scores were set up by the Broncos defense.

Late in the third quarter, linebacker Michael Brooks intercepted a tipped

Kelly Stouffer pass and returned it to the Seattle 32-yard line.

The Broncos' backup quarterback then hit Jackson on first down with 5:55 left in the third quarter.

Kubiak, the contest's Most Valuable Player, completed 7 of 11 passes for 75 yards.

Treadwell's field goal broke a 0-0 deadlock with 7:30 left in the third period.

Rookie safety Alton Montgomery, the Broncos first pick in the April draft, intercepted Stouffer's pass and returned it to the Seattle 27 to set up the score.

Seattle's lone touchdown came with 4:14 remaining in the contest. Stouffer who tossed three interceptions, found receiver Louis Clark wide open in the corner of the end zone and connected on a 37-yard scoring pass.

Just as in any other opening preseason game, starters played sparingly. Denver quarterback John Elway played only on the Broncos first possession and for the first three plays of their second possession while Seattle quarterback Dave Krieg played the entire first half.

Both teams wasted early scoring opportunities. The Broncos opened the game with a 14-play drive that stalled at the Seattle 9-yard line. Seattle rookie linebacker Terry Wooden, a second round selection out of Syracuse, stopped Denver running back Bobby Humpherey on fourth-and-1.

Broncos quarterback John Elway completed six straight passes on the drive for 44 yards. He finished the game with 64 yards passing.

The Seahawks followed with a 10-play drive that reached the Denver 27-yard line, but kicker Eddie Garcia missed a 39-yard field goal attempt with 11:21 left in the second quarter.

Kubiak later led the Broncos to the Seattle 27-yard line, but Treadwell's 44-yard field goal attempt with 5:25 left in the second quarter was partially blocked by Seattle's Eric Hayes

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#90217u0201 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - At 17 games back in the AL West, the Royals are feeling a little like Rodney Dangerfield. They just want some respect.

Saturday night may have been a step in that direction.

Mike Macfarlane slugged a grand slam and Danny Tartabull belted two home runs, powering Kansas City to a 9-1 victory over the Baltimore Orioles.

The Royals' catcher added a run-scoring single for a career-best five RBI, helping his team snap a three-game losing skid. With Kansas City in last place in the division, Macfarlane realizes his team must have modest goals.

''Our goal is to get back to respectability, then .500 ball.''

The Royals took a 4-0 advantage in the second inning on Macfarlane's first career grand slam.

Jim Eisenreich and Gerald Perry singled and Willie Wilson reached base when second baseman Bill Ripken committed his first error in 52 games, loading the bases. Macfarlane then used his catcher's mentality to read the pitch, belting a 410 footer into the left-field seats.

''He threw me a second straight slider up in the zone,'' Macfarlane explained, referring to Baltimore starter Pete Harnisch, 9-6. ''I knew it would be a slider because I looked so bad on the first one.''

The early-inning lead abetted his work behind the plate.

''The best thing about the home run is it put us on top quickly,'' said Macfarlane. ''That helps your catching game, makes you confident on calling pitches.''

Andy McGaffigan two-hit the Orioles for six innings to up his unblemished record to 3-0.

''Andy is a gutsy competitor,'' MacFarlane said. ''He throws as hard as he can for as long as he can.''

''He has been the find of the year for us and will stay in the rotation.'' Royals' Manager John Wathan added. ''He has thrown three great games for us.''

The Royals rout came after a 14-1 loss to the Orioles Friday night.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Elsewhere in the American League: Boston took Detroit 3-1, Cleveland buried New York 17-3, Chicago downed Milwaukee 9-6, Texas edged Toronto 3-2, Seattle defeated Minnesota 4-3, and California clipped Oakland 6-5 in 12 innings.

In the National League it was: St. Louis 7, New York 5; San Francisco 2, Los Angeles 1; Pittsburgh 3, Philadelphia 1; Chicago 10, Montreal 2; San

Diego 7, Cincinnati 3 and Houston 6, Atlanta 2.

Red Sox 3, Tigers 1

At Boston, Roger Clemens, 15-5, scattered nine hits and struck out eight over 8 2-3 innings, leading the Red Sox to their sixth straight victory. Rob Murphy got the final out for his sixth save. Steve Searcy fell to 1-3.

Indians 17, Yankees, 3

At New York, Cory Snyder broke a 3-3 tie with a sixth-inning grand slam and Candy Maldonado and Jeff Manto added homers to power Cleveland. Bud Black, 10-6, gave up six hits through seven innings. Tim Leary dropped to 5-14.

Rangers 3, Blue Jays 2

At Texas, Bobby Witt, 10-8, pitched a complete game for his seventh straight win and Ruben Sierra drove in two runs in the Rangers sixth straight victory. Blue Jays' starter Todd Stottlemyre went to 10-12.

White Sox 9, Brewers 6

At Milwaukee, Sammy Sosa tagged a three-run homer to ignite a six-run Chicago sixth. Chicago has won 12 of its last 14 games against Milwaukee. Adam Peterson improved to 2-3 and Bobby Thigpen gained his major-league leading 35th save. Bill Krueger, 5-7, suffered the loss.

Mariners 4, Twins 3

At Seattle, Harold Reynolds hit a two-out bloop RBI double with two out in the ninth inning. The ball bounced over left fielder Dan Gladden's head and rolled toward the wall, enabling Scott Bradley to score easily from first. Mike Jackson, 5-3, was the winner and Jack Savage, 0-1, took the loss.

Angels 6, Athletics 5, 12 innings

At California, Dave Winfield stroked a one-out bases-loaded single in the 12th inning to snap the Oakland's three-game win streak. Todd Burns, 2-3, took the loss. Mark Eichhorn, 2-4, hurled two innings of one-hit relief for the victory. Luis Polonia added a three-run triple for the Angels.

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#90217u0236 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO (AUG. 5) UPI - The executions of 120 Iraqi military officers who refused to participate in the invasion of Kuwait were aimed at thwarting a foreign-backed coup attempt against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein,

reports said Sunday.

Egyptian newspapers had reported from Baghdad that Saddam personally signed the death warrants for the condemned men, who were sentenced by a military tribunal and executed on Friday.

Al Akhbar newspaper in its Sunday edition quoted ''official Iraqi sources'' as saying the personnel had been plotting to overthrow Saddam.

''The executions were because of an attempted coup by the officers who were sentenced and led by three officers assisted by an unidentified foreign country,'' it said.

The sources, originally quoted on Radio Monte Carlo, said the thwarted uprising had prompted Saddam to order the withdrawal of his invasion force from Kuwait, a move that reportedly began Sunday.

Reports on Saturday said the men were executed for objecting to ''an unjustifed assault on a fellow Arab country.''

Political observers were skeptical that the withdrawal had been due to internal imperatives.

They said the swift installation of a pro-Iraqi government in Kuwait and creation of a ''popular army'' - complete with new uniforms - indicated Baghdad had thought through a step-by-step plan before embarking on the venture.

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#90217u0251 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 5) UPI - President Bush has postponed his five-nation mid-September trip to Latin America to deal with negotiations with Congress on the budget deficit, an administration official said.

Bush had planned to travel from Sept. 16-21 to Venezuela, Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay and Chile.

The official said that Iraq's invasion of Kuwait was not a factor in the postponement of the trip. He said the primary consideration was the continuing negotiations with congressional leaders on the fiscal 1991 budget and reducing the budget deficit.

Failure to reach an agreement would impel the government by law to impose a $100 billion automatic cut across the board in spending for vital services.

The president also was expected to be preoccupied this fall with

campaigning for Republican candidates in the November elections.

Bush had long planned the journey to Latin America and was expected to spend about a day in each country attempting to enhance his new program for closer economic ties and free trade with South America.

There had been the possibility that more countries would be added to the itinerary.

Starting Friday, however, the White House began informing the host countries that the president had postponed his trip.

No new date was set. It was not thought, however, that the trip could be rescheduled this year in view of other planned travel, including attendance at the Conference on European Security and Cooperation in Paris in mid-November, and the possibility of another summit meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, perhaps in Moscow.

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#90217u0260 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (AUG. 5) UPI - Streaking through space at 24,600 mph, NASA's Magellan radar mapping probe, launched 15 months ago from planet Earth, will sail over the north pole of Venus Friday and plunge out of sight behind the cloudy planet.

At exactly 12:45 p.m. EDT, while the spacecraft is out of contact with controllers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., an on-board computer is to execute a command that will fire a 4,721-pound solid-fuel braking rocket bolted to the base of the solar-powered probe.

Blazing with white-hot fury, the compact rocket motor will push against Magellan with 17,750 pounds of thrust, slowing the space probe by 6,200 mph in the most critical maneuver for the $550 million project since launch from the shuttle Atlantis on May 4, 1989.

If all goes well, the 83-second rocket firing will put the robot spacecraft into an egg-shaped, elliptical orbit tilted 86 degrees to Venus's equator, with a low point of about 170 miles and a high point of about 5,000 miles.

After checkout and calibration, Magellan will begin firing radar pulses at the planet below around Sept. 1, producing photograph-like images that may help determine what caused Venus, similar to Earth in many ways, to end up the 900-degree inferno it is today, the apparent victim of a runaway ''greenhouse effect.''

''The spacecraft is currently working fine. We've had a number of problems ... all of which have been resolved. The bottom line is, we are go for

orbit insertion and the start of mapping,'' said Magellan project manager Tony Spear of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif.

If successful, Magellan will revolutionize knowledge about Earth's sister planet and give NASA a much-needed morale boost after weeks of public criticism over problems with the $1.5 billion Hubble Space Telescope, delays in the shuttle program and trouble with the agency's planned space station.

If the rocket does not work, Magellan will sail past Venus and the mission will be a failure. But engineers are confident the spacecraft will work as advertised, recalling how an alert technician discovered a wiring foul-up before launch that, had it not been corrected, would have prevented the rocket from igniting.

Magellan, named after the 16th century explorer, is the first new U.S. interplanetary mission since 1978 and the first in an armada of high-tech robot craft that will explore Venus, Jupiter, Saturn and a comet during the 1990s, what NASA science chief Lennard Fisk calls a new ''golden age'' of space exploration.

''We are essentially, with Magellan, entering into the second golden age of space science,'' he said. ''You will have a U.S. planetary program in which there is a mission in its prime exploration phase continuously from 1990 to the year 2006. And never again will anyone question U.S. leadership in planetary exploration.''

Built with spare parts left over from other planetary programs, the 7,600-pound Magellan was designed to map up to 90 percent of the surface of Venus, using radar instead of visible light to see through the thick clouds that block the planet's surface from view.

''Venus is of special interest to the geologist for the contrast it presents with Earth and for the clues it provides concerning Earth's origin and evolution,'' wrote Michael Carr and Magellan project scientist Stephen Saunders in a book titled ''The Geology of the Terrestrial Planets.''

''Both bodies are of similar size, composition and distance from the sun yet they have evolved to remarkably different states; one developed into a prolific haven for life, the other into a sterile inferno. Unfortunately, we are far from understanding why this happened.''

Radar data beamed back to Earth from Magellan will be processed by powerful computers to create photograph-quality images of Venus's surface, showing features as small as 350 feet across, about the size of a football field.

Magellan also will be used to learn more about the planet's interior by precisely monitoring how the spacecraft's orbit is affected by the

planet's gravity, which provides an indication of interior mass distribution.

The end result will be enough data to fill some 500,000 library books - enough to fill a shelf 10 miles long - and keep researchers busy for years to come.

The project is funded for a 243-day mapping mission, the length of one Venusian ''day.'' But scientists hope to gain approval for an extended mission expected to generate data through 1995.

''This is not a Voyager encounter,'' said Stephen Saunders, Magellan project scientist at JPL. ''This is not something where we'll have a lot of excitement for a few hours and see pictures the next day. It's not going to be like that at all. What we've got here is not a sprint. ... It's more like a marathon.''

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#90217u0262 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

TYRE, LEBANON (AUG. 5) UPI - The mainstream Shiite Amal militia said Sunday it had arrested a Shiite Moslem accused of kidnapping U.S. Colonel William Higgins in 1988 on orders from the pro-Iranian Hezbollah, or Party of God.

Amal leaders said Imad Mdeihli, 26, will be put on trial for his role in the abduction of Higgins, who disappeared Feb. 17, 1988, after meeting with an Amal official.

''I have participated in kidnapping American Colonel Higgins,'' Mdeihli said at a news conference Sunday in Tyre. ''I and my colleagues followed him after his last meeting in Tyre with Amal offical Abdul Megid Saleh to a place outside Tyre.''

Higgins, 43, head of a U.N. truce-monitoring force in Lebanon and former Washington aide to Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger, was reported hanged July 31, 1989, by a pro-Iranian Hezbollah off-shoot group called the Organization of the Oppressed on Earth, but his body was never found.

The group released a videotape of what appeared to be the U.S. colonel hanging by his neck.

An Amal security official who requested anonymity said Mdeihli was one of five gunmen who abducted Higgins. He said the group comprised a cell that worked for the Iranian Revolutionary Guards and Hezbollah.

An Amal official, who read a written statement at the news conference, did not say when Mdeihli was arrested or whether his colleagues were also

captured, nor would he reveal how the militia uncovered the cell.

Security sources said the militia actually arrested Mdeihli soon after Higgins was abducted, but later set him free under close observation. They said Mdeihli had not been seen in public for the past three months, suggesting he was again taken into custody at about that time.

It was not known why Amal, a moderate group fighting Iranian-backed forces in Southern Lebanon, decided to put Mdeihli on trial at this time.

An Amal source said Mdeihli will be tried by a martial court comprised of Shiite clergymen.

Higgins was the second American believed to be executed by kidnappers in Lebanon. The Islamic Jihad Organization announced June 3, 1985, that William Buckley, 56, the highest ranking CIA official in Lebanon at the time, had been executed.

Six U.S. citizens are among 16 Westerners believed held in Lebanon by Moslem fundamentalist groups loyal to Iran.

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#90217u0268 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (AUG. 5) UPI - NASA's Magellan probe, cobbled together from spare parts left over from other programs, will use radar beams to create a detailed, photo-quality map of cloud-shrouded Venus's hidden surface.

Launched May 4, 1989, from the shuttle Atlantis, Magellan is to slip into orbit around Venus early Friday after a 15-month space voyage.

Its goal: to spend at least 243 days mapping the cloudy planet's hidden surface using a high-resolution radar capable of distinguishing objects as small as a football field.

Built by Martin Marietta Astronautics Co. of Denver, Magellan will be placed in a highly elliptical three-hour, nine-minute orbit around Venus, one tilted 86 degrees to the equator with a low point of about 170 miles and a high point of about 5,000 miles.

As the probe travels through the low-altitude part of each orbit, its 12-foot dish antenna will be used to fire radar pulses at the ground, ''illuminating'' a 15.5-mile-wide, 9,900-mile-long swath, or ''noodle.''

After each 37.2-minute mapping run, Magellan will re-orient itself, pointing the antenna toward distant Earth so the recorded radar data can be beamed back to the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., for

analysis.

The probe then will swing back around, aim its antenna at Venus and make another mapping pass.

''Radar'' is an acronym for ''radio detecting and ranging.'' As the name implies, it uses radio waves, a form of electromagnetic radiation like X-rays and visible light, to determine an object's range, or distance. And as every motorist knows, radar also can be used to determine an object's velocity.

As it turns out, radar is an ideal tool for ''seeing'' through the clouds that shroud Venus. The trick is turning that data into a useable image.

As Magellan sails through the low-point of its orbit, 26.5-millisecond radar pulses will be fired at the surface at the speed of light, 186,000 miles per second. After a very short but measurable delay, the pulse's reflection from the surface will be detected by the spacecraft.

By measuring the time between the pulse and the arrival of its reflection, computers can determine the distance to the point on the ground where the pulse was reflected. But that alone is not enough to assemble a map, because more than one point will lie at any given distance from the spacecraft.

To further pin down a point's location, Magellan also will measure the ''Doppler shift'' of the reflected radar pulse, that is, the amount the radar beam's wavelength has changed because of the spacecraft's orbital motion.

Anyone who has listened to an ambulance siren is familiar with the phenomenon; as the ambulance approaches and then goes past, the pitch of the siren, which depends on the sound's wavelength, will change.

Likewise, a returning radar pulse will have a slightly different wavelength based on whether Magellan is approaching a point on Venus or receding from it.

The Doppler shift, then, provides data about the location of a point on the surface with respect to Magellan's line of flight.

Each point in the Magellan radar image will thus have a unique distance and Doppler shift. By carefully combining that data, along with data giving the precise orientation of the antenna, computers can assemble a photograph-like map of the surface.

The level of detail that can be distinguished by an imaging radar system depends on the size of the antenna, just as the performance of normal

telescopes depends on the size of the lens or mirror.

Magellan's antenna is 12 feet wide, but because the spacecraft moves a considerable distance between the time a radar pulse is emitted and its reflection is received, the antenna has an ''effective'' diameter of some 3,000 feet.

For this reason, Magellan is said to be equipped with a ''synthetic aperture radar'' system and, under the best possible conditions, surface features as small as 350 feet or so can be distinguished. The best previous Venus radar maps have resolutions of about 1 mile.

It would greatly simplify Magellan's mission if the spacecraft could be fired into a circular orbit around Venus, because the probe's velocity and altitude would remain constant. But a tight budget forced planners to settle for a cheaper, less-powerful braking rocket, one that can only achieve an elliptical orbit.

As it is, Magellan's speed will increase as it approaches the low-point of its orbit, called periapsis, and decrease as it climbs to a higher altitude.

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#90217u0287 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

HIROSHIMA, JAPAN (AUG. 5) UPI - People from around the world gathered for an annual memorial service in Hiroshima Sunday on the eve of the 45th anniversary of the atomic bombing of the southwestern port city.

City officials predicted more than 50,000 people will jam Hiroshima's Peace Memorial Park Monday to commemorate the 140,000 who died in the Aug. 6, 1945, bombing. They will also honor some 20,000 victims who later died from the lingering effects of the bomb's radiation.

The 2-ton atom bomb dropped by a U.S. B-29 bomber was the first ever used in war. It destroyed the city of 350,000 people in a split second, killing more than half of the population instantly.

Following the atomic bombing of Nagasaki three days later, Japan surrendered, ending World War II on Aug. 15, 1945.

On Sunday evening, workers tidied the park, located at the site where the bomb exploded, and set up the podium from which Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu will speak Monday morning.

Peace activists planned to form a human chain in the park Monday and exchange messages of peace over worldwide computer networks.

There was new hope among those gathered in Hiroshima that the city's long-standing appeal for abolition of nuclear weapons would be realized.

Maj. Britt Theorin, Sweden's U.N. ambassador for disarmament, declared at a Sunday news conference that nuclear disarmament will follow the new U.S.-Soviet cooperation.

''Nuclear weapons, in principle, are out,'' said Theorin, who is in Hiroshima to attend an international women's symposium on peace.

Hiroshima Mayor Takeshi Araki, in his annual Peace Declaration Monday, was expected to cite the fall of the Berlin Wall and other signs of reconciliation as reasons to fulfill his city's plea for nuclear disarmament.

Earlier Sunday, about 300 Koreans gathered outside the park to remember an estimated 20,000 unidentified Koreans who were forced by the Japanese military to work in Hiroshima during the war and who died in the blast.

Koreans have set up a monument outside of Peace Park but have been unsuccessful in their efforts to establish a monument within the park because the city opposes a proposed inscription that would refer to the victims as forced laborers.

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#90217u0303 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 5) UPI - The government and the black nationalist African National Congress will hold crucial talks Monday expected to herald full-blown negotiations on ending 42 years of white minority rule.

The second-round meeting follows initial ground-breaking talks May 2-4, held three months after President Frederik de Klerk legalized the ANC and launched racial reforms.

Officials, ANC sources and observers believe that Monday's talks will accomplish more than those in May because the parties have gained some trust in each other and are prepared to make firm concessions toward a peaceful settlement instead of hopeful but vague promises.

''V-Day for Peace?'' the government-supporting Afrikaans newspaper Rapport said in a headline Sunday, reflecting widespread national support for the meeting. The optimism was in contrast to charges earlier that the ANC was part of a communist plot to mount armed insurrection if power-sharing discussions fail.

De Klerk's Cabinet and an ANC group led by its deputy president and de

facto leader, Nelson Mandela, are expected to announce agreement on the two key ANC preconditions to substantive talks and possibly also some form of suspension of the ANC's 30-year guerrilla incursion aimed at ending white rule.

The ANC has been insisting some 1,500 prisoners held for politically motivated crimes be released and an estimated 20,000 political exiles allowed to return. Joint working groups on the issues set up by the parties after the May talks have, unconfirmed reports said, reached compromises which will be fine-tuned at the Monday talks.

The meeting, in Pretoria's Union Buildings government complex, ''will certainly result in steps forward... steps to peace by us and the ANC,'' a senior government source said Sunday.

''It is clear we have built up some trust over the past months,'' he said.

ANC spokesmen indicated the talks will concentrate on consolidating progress made since the sides' first encounter, in Cape Town, when both groups committed themselves to a non-violent resolution of apartheid.

''The working groups and certain other private little one-on-one talks... may even have made Monday's meeting something of a formality,'' one ANC official said.

The ANC has also demanded the government scrap myriad so-called security laws curtailing civil rights, withdraw its troops from warring black townships and lift a state of emergency in strife-torn Natal province before negotiations begin on a post-apartheid constitution. The movement is thought to be flexible on these issues.

De Klerk on June 8 lifted a four-year-old state of emergency in South Africa's other three provinces, in a bid to satisfy the ANC. He excluded Natal, citing its virtual Zulu civil war between ANC supporters and elements of the conservative Inkatha movement which has claimed more than 3,000 lives since 1986.

''Regardless... of the many difficulties remaining, we look forward to these talks with great anticipation,'' Mandela has said. ''They are important for all South Africans.''

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#90217u0328 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (AUG. 5) UPI - Wealthy Kuwaitis residing on the French Riviera and members of the Kuwait national soccer team training in France were plagued by uncertainty over their country's future this weekend in the wake of the Iraqi invasion.

An estimated 500 Kuwaitis live in villas and apartments in the area between Nice and Cannes, some of them only for the summer months, according to informed sources in the area.

''I don't understand, I thought Iraq and Kuwait were on good terms,'' said one Kuwaiti on the Riviera who asked to remain anonymous. ''We hope Iraq will withdraw its troops as they have said, but with (Iraqi president) Saddam Hussein, one never knows.''

The weekly Kuwait Airways flight from Nice to Kuwait City has been cancelled until further notice.

''It's terrible not to know what's going on,'' said Victor Gebrane, commercial director for the airline in southern France.

Some Kuwaiti nationals left the Riviera after the invasion to join relatives in Bahrain and Saudi Arabia. Others remained, staying glued to radio and television news.

Members of the soccer squad, who had been training in Vichy, said they were worried about their families back home.

''We don't understand the (French) language. We watch the television but it's impossible to know what's happening,'' said Samir Seid, the goalkeeper for the team, in an interview with the French weekly Le Journal du Dimanche. ''We feel far from everything.''

Seid said he had been unable to withdraw money from the local bank because France froze Kuwaiti and Iraqi assets in retaliation against the Iraqi military strike.

The bulletin board at the team's hotel, normally used to post the training schedule, is now covered with hourly telex messages from the Kuwaiti Embassy in Paris.

''It's not much,'' Seid said. ''It's very general information. We'd like to know what's happening to our people.''

Seid said some of the players hoped to leave within several days for Saudi Arabia to get closer to the situation.

One of the players recieved a phone call from a relative who was able to reach a neutral zone Friday night outside Kuwait, where communications were not cut off.

''Our families have assured us that the Iraqi soldiers are peaceful,'' said Mohamed Othman, secretary general for the Kuwaiti soccer federation.

''They don't intend to harm our people.''

The Kuwaiti Embassy in Paris has declined to recognize the newly organized regime in Kuwait City, calling it in a statement Sunday a ''puppet government ... that involves several Iraqi military invaders.''

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#90217u0346 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 5) UPI - Chancellor Helmut Kohl said in an interview televised Sunday the costs of German unification are ''financially and economically manageable.''

''First of all, I maintain my thesis that (unification) is financially and economically manageable,'' Kohl said. ''Whatever costs more, we will see it in that dimension and I am not afraid to say publicly when it costs more.''

Kohl said swift merger and all-German elections soon afterward will give the government a better chance to handle the costs of rebuilding the ailing East German economy and restructuring the country.

''I want to see the bill... At the moment, many things are not clear to me which is one of the reasons why I hope very much that we will come to a clear decision as soon as possible,'' Kohl said.

Kohl and East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere agreed Friday that the date of the election should be moved up from Dec. 2 to Oct. 14 and that German unification should take place before that.

Opposition leaders rejected the proposal, calling it unconstitutional and accusing Kohl and de Maiziere of pretending that a quick merger will resolve East Germany's grave economic crisis.

Both German parliaments will consider the proposal in special sessions this week.

Ever since the strong West mark replaced the worthless East mark July 1, the East German economy has been hit by growing unemployment, mass strikes dropping productivity and bankruptcies.

In the agricultural sector, farmers have dumped record harvests because East German stores, flooded with imports, would not buy their produce.

Kohl said on the TV program that once the Germanys are unified, East Germany's economy will only need three to five years to grow stable.

''I believe that the economic healing process will advance faster than the

deep wounds that a dictatorship had beaten into the people...throughout decades,'' he said.

In a move to alleviate widespread fears among West German taxpayers that they will have to pay for unification, Kohl declared he does not intend to raise taxes to fund the process.

''The decisive point is that the merger will not run up a cost dimension that will bring any kind of disadvantage to West German citizens,'' Kohl said.

The Bonn government contributed more than one-third to East Germany's budget of $40 billion for the first six months of 1990 in addition to $6 billion in loans.

But East Berlin officials said last week the government had already run out of money and that it desperately needed new funds. Bonn has not made any move to allocate more funds.

Even the West German Finance Ministry recently pointed at huge financial holes in the East German budget that have to be covered within the next six months to avoid a total economic collapse.

A spokesman said about $3.8 billion is needed to pay unemployment benefits to 800,000 jobless.

Each week, 30,000 more lose their jobs - out of a total population of 16 million - and the number is expected to rise to 1 million by the end of the year.

Another $7-9 billion is needed in liquidity to save the ailing formerly state-run companies.

In addition, the Finance Ministry reported that $2.5 billion has to be pumped into the national health system, $3 billion is needed for public facilities such as kindergartens and nursing homes and $1.3 billion for social security.

East German taxes are not yet flowing freely into government coffers because tax offices have only recently been set up and inexperienced East German tax officers are still being trained.

East Germans did not have to pay taxes in the 40 years under the former dismanteled leadership.

On Friday the two German governments issued a first draft of the final unification treaty.

The document states that Berlin will once again be the capital of Germany, as it was until the country was divided almost 41 years ago.

But the treaty also says that an all-German parliament will have to decide whether Berlin will be the seat of government.

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#90217u0367 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

HO CHI MINH CITY, VIETNAM (AUG. 5) UPI - Vietnamese officials and media reports said gradual progress was expected in the first U.S.-Vietnamese talks on Cambodia due to open Monday, but no quick breakthrough on establishing diplomatic relations.

''If we have a good first step then the following steps are a matter of time,'' said Tran Bach Dang, a senior political adviser to Communist Party leader Nguyen Van Linh.

Dang, who conferred with Linh two days ago, said in an interview he expected progress in the talks set to begin Monday in New York between the Vietnamese ambassador to the United Nations, Trinh Xuan Lang, and Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Kenneth Quinn.

The talks, the first bilateral meeting on Cambodia between the two former war-time foes, follow announcement of a new U.S. policy on Cambodia that ends diplomatic support for the three-party resistance coalition fighting the Vietnamese-installed government in Phnom Penh.

Dang said no major breakthrough was likely from the talks, but said they should lead to higher level contacts and a step-by- step improvement in bilateral relations.

''We don't have any idea of exchanging embassies with the United States in the near future,'' he said.

But, he said, an end to a U.S. veto on assistance to Vietnam from multilateral lending institutions such as the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank would be a positive step.

''Maybe the United States should decide to lift the embargo, fully or partially,'' he said.

The U.S. embargo has blocked all U.S. commercial contacts with Vietnam despite its gradual conversion to a market economy open to foreign investment.

Dang said Hanoi would not abandon its allies in Phnom Penh in exchange for U.S. economic help.

''If the U.S. govenment still intends to support the Khmer Rouge then there is nothing to talk about, but we see the American government now taking a promising new line,'' he said.

The official communist party newspaper Nhan Dan also said, in an editorial Saturday, that Vietnam expected gradual progress from the talks.

''It is hoped that Washington will turn its announcements into concrete deeds and will take further steps to contribute to peacefully resolving the Cambodian issue,'' it said.

The paper said the biggest obstacle to peace in Cambodia was the danger that the Khmer Rouge, the strongest group in the resistance would return to power.

Both Vietnam and the United States have publicly opposed any comeback by the Khmer Rouge, who are blamed for the deaths of more than 1 million Cambodians during their genocidal rule from 1975 to 1979.

The resistance coalition, which includes two non-Communist groups supported by the United States, has criticized the change in U.S. policy and the talks in New York.

Son Sann, leader of one of the groups, said in a radio broadcast Saturday night that the United States, Europe and Japan should not end their support for the resistance coalition too hastily because some 45,000 Vietnamese troops remained in Cambodia.

The United States, however, has said it is satisfied that ''the bulk'' of the Vietnamese troops have departed.

The leader of the second faction supported by the United States is former head of state Prince Norodom Sihanouk. The Soviet Union supports Prime Minister Hun Sen, leader of the current government in Phnom Penh.

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#90217u0384 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

DONNYBROOK, ND (AUG. 5) UPI - A California man flying a single-engine plane and his 10-year-old niece were killed when the aircraft crashed in a ravine.

The pilot, Michael Yates, 32, of Marino Valley, Calif., and his niece, Amy Lee Lawson, of Donnybrook, died in the crash Saturday night, said highway patrol trooper Gary Burgett.

The airplane was registered with Pietsch Flying Service of Minot, and

Yates was apparently giving rides to family members, Burgett said.

Burgett said Yates landed on a rural road, picked up the girl and had taken off when the two-seat aircraft suddenly banked and crashed into the side of a hill.

Federal Aviation Administration investigators were on the scene Sunday, trying to determine the cause of the crash.

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#90217u0395 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

TWINSBURG, OH (AUG. 5) UPI - Nine sets of twins from the Soviet Union were among about 3,000 pairs of siblings at the 15th annual Twins Days Festival.

The world's largest annual gathering of twins began in 1976 as part of Twinsburg's celebration of the nation's bicentennial and to honor the northeast Ohio city's twin founders, Aaron and Moses Wilcox.

This year's festival kicked off with the Double Take Parade and included a variety of twin contests.

''For all of you, it is a very good tradition. But for our twins, it is the first time ever that Russian twins take place in such a competition,'' said Marina Parushnikova, the owner of a Moscow modeling agency and sponsor of the Soviet delegation.

''Thank you for welcoming us to your beautiful country,'' she told a cheering crowd Saturday. Parushnikova spoke through an interpreter.

Twins from Pakistan, India, Germany and England, as well as almost every U.S. state, were expected at the festival.

''Usually, if you're a twin, you have to constantly explain that you have a twin,'' said Greg Widener of Lancaster, Ohio. ''But here, if you're not a twin, you have to explain why you're not.''

Greg and his brother, Dana, were celebrating their 34th birthday at the festival.

''Everyone who is a twin should come here once,'' Widener said, ''and everyone who comes here once will come twice, and they'll keep coming back.

''We've had nothing but fun since we've been here.''

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#90217u0398 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

BOURNE, MA (AUG. 5) UPI - An unknown Union soldier believed to be from Massachusetts was buried with full military honors more than 115 years after his death on a Civil War battlefield in South Carolina.

The unknown soldier was buried Saturday at the Massachusetts Veterans National Cemetery in a flag-draped carved wooden coffin similar to those used during the late 1800s. It was pulled by a horse-drawn caisson and lowered into the ground to a 21-gun salute.

''He left in a state of tragic war between brothers and returned as a messenger of peace and unity from the South,'' said Robert Berkeley, a historian who cleared red tape to return the soldier for burial.

Civil War experts believe the soldier was a private, perhaps a member of a Union contingent sent to fight the Battle of Dingle's Mill near Fort Sumter in April 1865. They believe he was killed by sniper fire before the battle.

The soldier's remains were unearthed by a Sumter, S.C., construction crew in 1974, and were kept in a local mortuary until a soldier in a Civil War battle reenactment mentioned the body to Berkeley last year.

The body was clothed in a frayed blue uniform, including buttons with Massachusetts written on them, authorities said. There were marbles in one of the pockets.

''Maybe, a big maybe, we might be able to put a name with the remains,'' said historian James Fahey. ''We won't know that for some time.''

Several military units participated in a parade for the unknown soldier, including Civil War re-enactment units in regimental dress, disabled veterans, Vietnam veterans, veterans of foreign wars and an honor guard unit from the National Guard.

A riderless horse followed the casket in the parade, complete with a grieving ''widow'' dressed in a flowing black hoopskirt. The parade, prayers for the soldier and lowering of the casket as a trumpeter played taps, drew tears from many of the observers.

''It was a very moving service, a symbolism of finding the body, and moving it and bringing the dead home,'' said Marilyn Crowell of Falmouth.

''It is a symbol of our nation's unity, and the cooperation and understanding the people of South Carolina,'' Crowell said. ''He was not a fallen opposing soldier, but someone who fought for the union of our nation.''

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#90217u0423 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 5) UPI - U.S. Navy spokesmen were sent scrambling when a Soviet admiral attempted to express doubt that an American woman sailor was raped on one of his ships and poor translation of his remarks made him appear unconcerned.

The allegations of rape were discussed Saturday at a joint news conference by the commanders of the Soviet and U.S. Pacific fleets, U.S. Adm. Charles Larson and Soviet Adm. Gennediy Khvator.

The Soviets were ending a five-day visit to San Diego, the first by the Soviet Pacific Fleet to the homeport of its U.S. counterpart.

A U.S. Navy woman, who was not identified, said she was raped Tuesday when she became separated from friends while touring a Soviet destroyer tied up at a Navy pier. Larson said the Soviets and Americans showed a common concern over the incident and U.S. Navy spokesman Lt. Cmdr. Bob Pritchard said the Soviets promised to prosecute any sailor implicated in the offense.

At the end of his prepared remarks Saturday, Khvatov, addressing reporters through an English-speaking Soviet Navy officer, attempted to take up the matter.

The interpreter translated the remarks as, ''And as far as the report of the alleged rape ... is concerned, ah, I would like to say that, er, it is not always, always wishful thinking ...''

Later, a reporter told Khvatov he did not understand the admiral's comment on the alleged rape. The interpreter answered for Khvatov, ''To be honest, I know, you mean, but maybe I was, ah, a bit inaccurate. Well, it was just an allegation, what he wanted to say.''

Pritchard jumped in and said, ''We're having trouble translating the word 'allegation.'''

The Soviet Navy interpreter then said, ''Wishful thinking on their part. I meant those who wanted it to make that way.''

Larson then said, ''I think we have a language barrier here. We're really saying 'allegation.' It's only an allegation.''

Two further attempts by reporters to clarify what Khvatov said were cut off by Larson, who said, ''I'm not going to try to go over difficulties in language translation and make a mountain out of a molehill right now.''

Later, with the help of an American reporter who spoke Russian, Pritchard furnished these two translations of what was on tape:

''It is not always possible to pass off what you wish were true as reality '' and, ''You cannot always take what you'd like to have as if it were reality.''

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#90217u0431 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

ANKARA, TURKEY (AUG. 5) UPI - Iraq issued a veiled warning Sunday to neighboring Turkey, which has reportedly been under Western pressure to close an Iraqi oil pipeline that passes through Turkish territory.

Iraqi First Deputy Prime Minister Tahir Yasin Ramadhan flew to Ankara Sunday for a four-hour meeting with President Turgut Ozal amid reports that Ankara was being urged by other countries to join in imposing economic sanctions against Iraq for its invasion last week of Kuwait.

Ramadhan, who said he carried a message for Ozal from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, told reporters later that an atmosphere of distrust would develop between the neighboring countries if Ankara imposed sanctions against Iraq.

He said that he did not specifically ask Ozal to keep the pipeline open, but said: ''We believe the president would evaluate the bilateral relations before applying such sanctions.''

Ramadhan said if Turkey, which shares a 500 mile border with Iraq, joined other countries and imposed economic sanctions, ''this would create an atmosphere of mistrust between the two countries.''

Iraq owes Turkey $1 billion in debts incurred during the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war, and has been repaying the amount in the form of oil supplies.

Aides say Ozal has spoken to President Bush on the telephone three times since Iraqi forces invaded Kuwait Thursday. He has also conferred with Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Syrian President Hafez Assad.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Sunday in Washington that Bush had consulted by phone with Ozal and King Fahd of Saudi Arabia on Saturday afternoon.

''We are continuing to encourage allies around the world to follow the U.S. example by freezing Iraqi assets and instituting sanctions against Iraq,'' he said.

Fitzwater did not divulge whether Ozal and Fahd had agreed to cut off the Iraqi pipelines running through their countries, saying their discussions with Bush had been ''private conversations.''

Fitzwater said that Bush had spoken with world leaders on the Iraqi pipelinesand that they were ''part of the equation.''

''We are working for a solution and we are trying to involve as many leaders in the region as we can...,'' Fitzwater said.

Ramadhan said in Ankara before leaving for Baghdad that he briefed Ozal on the reasons for the Iraqi invasion and ''neither economic sanctions nor military intervention would stop Iraq from reaching its aim.''

A Foreign Ministry source said Friday that Ankara may consider closing the Iraqi pipeline if Riyadh decided to close another Iraqi pipeline passing through Saudi Arabia.

The pipeline through Turkey runs from the Kirkuk oilfields in northern Iraq to a terminal at Yumuxtalik on the Mediterranean, some 275 miles south of Ankara.

Turkey is a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and the United States maintains military bases there. Analysts said the bases could take on increasing significance in the Middle East as relations between Moscow and Washington improve.

Ramadhan's visit to Ankara indicated Baghdad was concerned about moves its northern neighbor might make. Turkey is militarily one of Iraq's most powerful regional neighbors but remained neutral during the Iran-Iraq war.

Officials hinted that if Ankara remained neutral between Iraq and Kuwait, it might leave open to Ozal opportunities to play a mediatory role in the conflict.

Ramadhan said Turkey was pursuing a policy of neutrality as of now, but if it yielded to pressure to apply economic sanctions against Baghdad ''these pressures would yield no results.''

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#90217u0436 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (AUG. 5) UPI - Floods caused by Typhoon Tasha have killed at least 108 people since the storm slammed ashore July 31 in southern Guangdong and Fujian provinces, it was reported Sunday.

The deaths brought to well over 1,000 the number of people killed in China this year in severe weather and other natural disasters.

Chinese officials said Sunday this year's particularly vicious weather had even forced the cancellation of plans to light the Asian Games torch at the foot of Mount Everest in Tibet. The games begin next month.

Typhoon Tasha moved ashore in Guangdong and swept across much of the southern province, increasing its distruction as it moved to northern Fujian, the official Xinhua news agency reported.

In Lhasa, the Tibetan capital, Xinhua reported that foul weather and severe transportation problems have forced Beijing Asian Games organizers to abandon plans to light the international sports festival's torch at Mount Everest.

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#90217u0437 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

WILMINGTON, OH (AUG. 5) UPI - Cincinnati Bengals running back James Brooks has signed a new contract with the team and will be on the practice field Monday.

Brooks, who could well pull down a club rushing record this season, was seeking a $1 million salary. No terms of the transaction were revealed, in keeping with the Bengals' new non-disclosure policy.

But Brooks smiled when asked if he was pleased about the contract he signed Saturday.

''Oh yeah, no doubt about it,'' he said ''Now I'll get in here and get my timing down and I'll be ready to go.''

Last season, Brooks ran for 1,239 yards, bettering his own club record by 152 yards. Barring an injury, he should surpass Pete Johnson's career club record by mid-season. Johnson had 5,421 yards in seven seasons. Brooks has 4,872 in six and needs 550 this year to break the record.

Receiver Tim McGee was also expected to sign over the weekend and be on the practice field Monday.

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#90217u0438 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 5) UPI - A nine-month investigation by The Pittsburgh Press of emergency response by the Red Cross to more than 200 disasters showed there was a widespread pattern of deficiencies, the newspaper reported Sunday.

The Press said in a copyright story that its reporters conducted on-site

obervations of every major disaster in the country in the past year and more than 1,500 interviews.

It said it found that Red Cross shortcomings anger government officials who count on the organization, disillusion victims often desperately in need of services, outrage donors and bewilder the organization's local staff and volunteers, who often see their best efforts hampered or destroyed by actions of national Red Cross Leaders.

The Red Cross claims it was criticized unfairly last year after Hurricane Hugo and the northern California earthquake hit in quick succession.

''It's absurd to look at last fall's hurricane and say the Red Cross can't do the job,'' said Barbara Lohman, a national Red Cross spokeswoman in Washington. ''The Red Cross may have had a few little problems, but we were dealing with two unprecedented disasters.

''If you want to be fair and get an accurate picture, look at the hundreds of other disasters that we worked on and you'll find the Red Cross performance was almost flawless.''

The Press said its investigation showed the Red Cross response to some disasters was flawless. Among the deficiencies the newspaper found in the organization's response to other disaters, however, were:

-Long delays before adequate numbers of trained workers get to the scene.

-After workers arrive, an ''arrogant'' drive to take charge that thwarts cooperation with local agencies and disrupts recovery operations.

-Double standards and discrimination in providing assistance to minorities and the poor.

-A bureaucracy so cumbersome that its rules and regulations often shut out the people they are supposed to help.

-An overemphasis on raising the Red Cross flag and staging media events, rather than getting to the work at hand.

-Advertising and public statements that take credit for work Red Cross did not do and that routinely exaggerate accomplishments and abilities.

-Refusal to give details of its billion-dollar-a-year budget to the public or to state officials who routinely monitor other charities.

-Masking the fact that all money donated by the public for a specific disaster may not be spent on that disaster, as the donor believes.

#90217u0443 08/05/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (AUG. 5) UPI - Iran could bolster its reported desire to restore diplomatic ties with Britain if it helped secure the release of British hostages in the Middle East, the Foreign Office said Sunday.

A Foreign Office spokesman welcomed reports out of Tehran that Iran will seek to restore diplomatic relations with Britain, which were severed 17 months ago in outrage over British author Salman Rushdie's novel, ''The Satanic Verses.''

''It is a step in the right direction, there is no doubt about that, and from that point of view it is welcome,'' the spokesman said of the reports in a telephone interview with United Press International. ''Nevertheless, obstacles to better relations remain.''

Britain hopes Iran can play a role in helping to free British hostages held by pro-Iranian Shiite radicals in Lebanon, and in the release of British businessman Roger Cooper, held on spy charges in an Iranian jail, he said.

''It would signal an improvement in the atmosphere between us if the Iranian authorities could make a gesture of goodwill on one or both of these subjects,'' the spokesman said.

The Foreign Office, which heard of Iran's plans only from a Tehran radio dispatch Saturday, has so far received no official communication from Iran on the matter, the spokesman said. He said his office was hoping to receive confirmation through the Swedish Embassy in Tehran.

Tehran radio said the decision was made at a session of the Iranian National Security Council held Thursday under the chairmanship of President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani to discuss the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Iran said its decision stemmed from recent remarks by Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd, who emphasized Britain's ''greatest respect for Islam.''

Hurd's comments, and similiar respectful statements made earlier this year by Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, were intended to mollify Iran and Britain's Moslem community which were outraged over Rushdie's book, condemned by many Moslems as blasphemous.

But several British newspapers suggested Iran was seeking to take advantage of worldwide condemnation of Iraq to improve its ties with the West.

Iran broke relations with Britain in March 1989 after the late Iranian

leader, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, issued a religious decree calling for Rushdie to be killed.

The move to restore ties is not expected to formally affect the death sentence against Rushdie, who has remained in hiding since it was issued.

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#90217u0453 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

CONCORD, NH (AUG. 5) UPI - Investigators believe a missing indicted New Hampshire judge is alive, and the focus of the search for him has shifted to likely homosexual contacts, the New Hampshire Sunday News reported.

Former Newport District Court Judge John C. Fairbanks has been missing since Dec. 29, 1989, the day after a grand jury indicted him on charges of stealing $1.8 million from clients.

Despite an 8-month-long investigation by New Hampshire authorities, no trace of Fairbanks has been found.

Cpl. Robert J. Adams, a state police detective, said Fairbanks had traveled extensively and authorities in 150 countries have been alerted to watch for him. But he said the search, which includes investigating homosexual contacts, is concentrated on Key West, Fla., Montreal, northern New England and the Adirondack region of New York state.

''His wife admitted to me that he is homosexual,'' Adams told the newspaper. ''She told me and my partner: 'You know, it's no secret. People in (Newport) have probably already told you.'''

Adams said Miriam Fairbanks suggested that her husband's frequent trips to Montreal before his indictment were ''because of his homosexuality.''

Adams said he believes Fairbanks is alive and living off of the money he allegedly stole from legal clients.

Fairbanks, 66, was a district court judge for more than 30 years. He resigned from the bench and the bar in June 1989 as investigators closed in on him.

In addition to the criminal charges, about 50 former legal clients have filed claims totaling $2 million against Fairbanks in U.S. Bankruptcy Court. Among the creditors are three sisters of Fairbanks who are seeking to recover trust funds that the former judge was supposed to have invested on their behalf.

Adams said he believes Fairbanks has been in touch with his family and is probably in the area.

''He may be in Europe, but I personally think he is still close by because of the ties he has in the area,'' Adams said. ''There is a strong possibility he could be under a totally new identification.''

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#90217u0478 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

CHARLOTTE, NC (AUG. 5) UPI - The bombardier who dropped the atomic weapon that destroyed Hiroshima 45 years ago said in an interview published Sunday he has no regrets or apologies, because his action ended World War II.

Thomas Ferebee, 71, told the Charlotte Observer he did not know the blast he unleashed on Aug. 6, 1945, would wipe out the city and kill an estimated 140,000 people instantly.

Nor did he know that it would be an irrevocable turning point in history.

That summer morning 45 years ago, Ferebee, then 26, a native of Mocksville N.C., knew he was getting ready to drop a special bomb, a secret weapon that could end the war.

''People have to go back and study the history of the war and the attitude of the people at that time,'' he said. ''Everybody wanted the war to end. That's what I wanted the most. I wanted the bomb to work and end the war.

''So I felt good, since the first time we used it, it worked. I don't care how much confidence you have in science, until that bomb goes off, you're not certain,'' he said.

Following the atomic bombing of Nagasaki, three days after Hiroshima, Japan surrendered, ending World War II on Aug. 15, 1945.

Ferebee, now a resident of Windemere, Fla., joined the Army in 1940. After two years of flying school in the Army Air Corps, he was assigned to be a bombardier.

After flying missions to Europe and North Africa, he was assigned in 1944 to a B-29 bomber air crew with Col. Paul Tibbets, the pilot, Capt. Theodore ''Dutch Van Kirk, the navigator, and nine other men.

''There was no way that I was going to get into an airplane without Ferebee and Van Kirk,'' Tibbets said. ''They did exactly what they were supposed to do when they were supposed to do it. We were all young kids ... but they were as professional as anybody you could possibly find.''

On Aug. 6, 1945, the bomber Enola Gay lifted off while two technicians

armed the huge, strange-looking bomb.

About two hours from Hiroshima, Tibbets told the crew exactly what they were carrying, but Ferebee didn't hear. He was asleep.

It took 43 seconds for the bomb to fall and make its mark on history.

''At first, I saw this boiling on the ground and the stem (of the mushroom cloud) was going up and you could see buildings going up in the stem,'' Ferebee said.

''It was all colors. You can imagine, I think - brown, red, white - and it was spreading out in all directions. Then, finally, the stem formed completely and the top was there and it kind of broke off.''

The inferno killed 80,000 to 200,000, according to assorted estimates, reducing victims nearest the blast to blackened shadows on walls. Ferebee and Tibbets were blinded temporarily because they neglected to wear their dark glasses.

Van Kirk, 69, left the Army Air Force in 1946, returned to college for a master's degree in chemical engineering. From 1972 to 1978, he lived in Charlotte. Today he lives in San Francisco.

Tibbets stayed in the service, retiring in 1966 as a brigadier general. At 75, he lives in Columbus, Ohio.

Ferebee did not retire until 1970 after flying as an observer on bombing missions over Vietnam.

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#90217u0491 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - The White House says 225 U-S Marines have been sent into Liberia to evacuate American citizens and protect two Voice of America transmitters. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the troops were sent into the capital of Monrovia to ''safeguard lives'' and provide additional security for those Americans who remain. Fitzwater says the Marines are ''in a battle situation,'' and Congress has been notified of that. He says an additional 21-hundred Marines are on ships off the coast of the West African nation.

The U-S action comes after Liberian rebel leader Prince Johnson said yesterday he had ordered his troops to begin arresting foreigners. Johnson said he hoped the arrests would spur international intervention in Liberia's civil war between the rebels and forces loyal to President Samuel Doe. Johnson said American, British, Lebanese and Indian civilians would be singled out for detention, but he promised they would NOT be

harmed.

The Kuwaiti Embassy in Washington denies that Iraqi troops are withdrawing from the tiny Persian Gulf nation, despite reports to the contrary by Egypt's Middle East News Agency. The embassy's spokesman says- ''They are playing games. NO Iraqi troops have left.'' The spokesman says Iraqi forces are still harming Kuwaiti citizens, and said some remain on the Saudi border.

Two strong earthquakes centered deep in the Pacific shook central and northern Japan about two hours apart this morning. The Meteorological Agency in Tokyo says there are NO reports of any casualties or damage. The first temblor measured six-point-six on the Richter scale and was located about 300 miles south of Tokyo and about 330 miles beneath the seabed. The second quake was located east of Tokyo, 18 miles beneath the sea bottom.

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#90217u0498 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - The Japanese have broken their own record as the world's longest living people. The Ministry of Health and Welfare in Tokyo says the life expectancy for women is 81-pointpoint-91 years. The Japanese ministry says a decrease in mortality among infants and middle-aged people is responsible for the latest longevity figures.

The Senate has given final congressional approval to a compromise AIDS assistance package totaling as much as 880-Million dollars. The legislation will help local and state governments provide care for AIDS patients. The bill is named after Ryan White, an Indiana teen-ager who died of AIDS after contracting the disease from a blood transfusion. His public struggle against the virus highlighted the tragedy of AIDS in young Americans. The measure now goes to the White House.

A 15-hundred-acred wildfire prompted officials in Oregon to evacuate a heavily populated area in the central part of the state this morning. An Oregon forestry department spokesman says it's NOT clear exactly how many people were evacuated from the 10-mile area southwest of the town of Bend. Dave Morman says the fire has destroyed at least 10 or 12 structures and still is growing.

Tropical storm Diana is shaping up as the Caribbean's fourth named storm with 40 mile-an-hour winds that threaten the Yucatan Peninsula. Last night Diana was centered about 335 miles southeast of Cancun, Mexico. Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Florida say the storm is moving northwest at 14 miles an hour and is expected to continue on that track through today.

#90217u0523 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 5) UPI - A utility substation explosion and fire Sunday cut off electricity to some 25,000 West Side and suburban customers, including 20,000 hit by an outage eight days earlier that led to scattered looting and millions of dollars in losses.

There were no immediate reports of major problems associated with the latest outage. Power was expected to be restored by Monday morning.

Witnesses reported seeing flames shooting 100 to 150 feet into the air at the Columbus Park electrical substation. The fire, which broke out about 9:10 a.m. was put out about 75 minutes later, leaving West Side and some suburban Oak Park customers in the dark.

Two Commonwealth Edison employees in the substation office to review their work orders for the day ''heard an explosion and exited the building as fast as they could,'' utility spokesman Steve Solomon said. ''These employees were saying this was a serious and powerful explosion. It wasn't just a transformer tripping. It was a major explosion.''

Edison spokesman Margaret Winters said the utility was ''real concerned'' about what started the fire, adding that the possibility of arson was being investigated.

''The cause has not been determined. We're not even sure if it was an electrical fire to begin with,'' she said. ''We did not have any electrical lines that tripped, so we do not believe this is an electrical fire origination.''

''We're not ruling out anything,'' said Solomon.

A July 28 fire at the Crawford substation left some 40,000 West Side residents without electricity, some for as long as three days. Damage from lost business, damaged food, scattered looting and other problems has been estimated as high as $10 million.

The first outage prompted an Illinois Commerce Commission investigation of the circumstances and potential liability for the fire. Edison is mounting its own investigation into the cause of the earlier outage.

The Columbus Park substation had been used by Edison to reroute power to 20,000 customers affected by the earlier outage and was continuing to serve those customers until Sunday's fire.

''It's a very unfortunate situation for the people on the West Side,'' Solomon said.

He added, however, that five of the six transformers in the area were operable and switching gear at Columbus Park suffered far less damage than similar equipment at the Crawford substation damaged in the previous fire.

He estimated customers should have electricity returned by Monday morning and said, ''It doesn't seem like it's going to be days like last time.''

The affected area was entirely blacked out near the substation, but outages became more scattered farther east, he said.

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BY LEE STOKES - UPI

CAIRO, EGYPT (AUG. 5) UPI - The Arab world's appeasement of Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's occupation of Kuwait is drawing clear parallels to futile Anglo-French attempts to stop Hitler from taking over Europe in World War II.

Western diplomats who watched Iraqi troops and tanks roll over the Kuwaiti border last Thursday were disappointed with Arab foot-dragging on the issue and the weak statements condemning Saddam's aggression that eventually trickled out from only 14 of the 20 Arab capitals.

The Saudis - who maintained the closest ties to the ousted Kuwaiti emir and form the military backbone of the six-member Gulf Cooperation Council of which Kuwait is a member - never even mentioned news of the invasion on Riyadh Radio and waited more than 48 hours before hinting the Iraqi invasion was wrong.

''There appears to be an absence of backbone in Saudi Arabia and Egypt when it comes to Iraq,'' said a government official from one of the smaller Persian Gulf states. If it comes to the crunch, the West can only help Arabs help themselves.''

''It remains to be seen if the deserts of Saudi Arabia will become Saddam's Stalingrad,'' the official said, referring to the city where Hitler's thrust into the Soviet Union stalled and eventually began to be repelled.

The official suggested that a move into Saudi Arabia would trigger a military reaction from Western powers.

According to the diplomats, a joint Saudi-Egyptian plan drafted Sunday ''smacks of 1938" in its attempt to offer Saddam a compromise solution, defuse the crisis and prevent any escalation that might oblige outside powers to intervene.

They drew parallels to Hitler's step-by-step occupation of the Rhineland, Czechoslovakia and Austria under the guise of national aspirations and economic necessity, and Hitler's correct calculation that Britain and France would sit back and do nothing.

''The parallels between the Anglo-French appeasement of Hitler after the Nazi takeover of Czechoslovakia's Sudetenland in 1938, and the position of Arab states towards Saddam today, have never been closer,'' said one Middle East-based Canadian diplomat.

The Saudi-Egyptian plan envisions that Kuwait's emir, deposed in the Iraqi invasion, never be reinstated, and that in return Saddam will allow a genuine Kuwaiti civilian government, whose first goal would be to acquiesce on Iraq's claims over disputed oil and territory.

''The Arabs will realize sooner or later that appeasement of bullies with the firepower of Saddam Hussein is not in their interests. ... But like Europe before the Second World War, internal difficulties and economic woes have made them weak and unable to respond effectively.''

West European diplomats have also reflected the deep concern of their governments over the Arab world's apparent lack of will to confront Saddam and force him to back down.

Baghdad's state-run media have made no secret of the fact that Iraq's ruling Ba'athist revolutionary council regards with scorn the royal families of the strategically vital gulf states. In 1958, Iraqi Ba'athists cut their own king into little pieces.

But swift British and Arab League military intervention in the early 1960s prevented Iraq from taking over Kuwait and expanding into the gulf region. Iranian troops fighting an eight-year war with Iraq foiled Baghdad's attempt to seize the strategic Shatt al Arab waterway, Iraq's only outlet to the gulf.

Even though Saddam now has access to gulf waters via occupied Kuwait, diplomats believe he will not stop there.

''All the signals indicate that Saddam will not stop at Kuwait ... and yet none of the Arab states want to admit this even to themselves,'' one European diplomat said.

''The interests of the West in the region are clear. ... We want stability, the free flow of oil and freedom of navigation in the Persian Gulf.

''Those interests are not so different from the aspirations of most Arab states. And yet if Saddam wins the battle over Kuwait, the regional policy

not only of the West but also of the moderate Arab states will be in tatters.

''We might as well start redrawing the maps from now.''

The Western-oriented kings, sheikhs and emirs of the oil-rich Persian Gulf have the most to fear from Saddam's expansionist Ba'athist ideology.

But their inaction also reflects satisfaction over soaring oil prices and booming oil revenues.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 5) UPI - Marines evacuated 61 Americans wishing to flee the war in Liberia Sunday, and the United States said it would keep a skeletal staff at its embassy in the West African nation.

Fifteen helicopters from U.S. warships off the Liberian coast carried 255 Marines into the capital city of Monrovia to protect the Americans. Two Harrier jets provided cover for the operation.

The Marines evacuated 61 U.S. personnel from three sites - 40 from the U.S. Embassy, 18 from a communications site and three others from another communications site. Fifty-nine were flown to the USS Saipan in the Atlantic, and the remaining two stayed at the embassy.

The State Department said the ''drawdown'' of embassy staff was successful. An official said 41 embassy personnel, including the U.S. ambassador, would remain in Monrovia.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said a Marine reinforced rifle company was flown into war-torn Monrovia about 5 a.m. EDT to ''safeguard lives ... and provide additional security for those (Americans) who remain.''

About 70 U.S. diplomats and 300 other Americans had remained in Liberia, which has been the scene of fighting between government troops and rebels.

After the operation's completion, 237 Marines were left to secure the embassy. The operation ended at noon EDT, lasting about seven hours. There were no casualties, the Pentagon said.

The Americans aboard the Saipan were being taken to Freetown in neighboring Sierra Leone.

Fitzwater said U.S. troops will remain in Liberia ''as long as necessary.''

President Bush decided Saturday to send the Marines, who were stationed off the coast, into Liberia after rebel faction leader Prince Johnson threatened to arrest Americans and other foreigners to provoke international intervention in the 6-month-old civil war.

''It was a very clear indication of a threat against American citizens as well as foreign people in that country,'' Fitzwater said.

The Marine unit's mission was to secure the U.S. Embassy, remove workers from two Voice of America transmitter sites and evacuate Americans wishing to leave Liberia.

Liberian President Samuel Doe, who has been holed up in the presidential palace in Monrovia, was notified, Fitzwater said. He said he could not confirm whether the United States had been able to notify Johnson's breakaway rebel faction or the original rebel group headed by Charles Taylor, now a bitter rival of Johnson's.

Doe was told the United States had no intention to intervene or take sides in the war, which has claimed thousands of lives, Fitzwater said. U.S. allies in the region were notified of the president's decision.

Fitzwater said that ''on Saturday, sporadic shooting was heard near the embassy in the downtown district'' of Monrovia, ''a contested area between the Johnson-led rebels and the government.''

Johnson, whose troops have occupied much of the city in their battle to oust Doe, had said he told his men to single out American, British, Lebanese and Indian civilians for detention first. He said the arrests would start Monday.

Liberia was founded around 1822 by U.S. black freedmen who settled there with the assistance of the American Colonization Society, a private organization dedicated to the African repatriation of freed slaves. It became a republic on July 26, 1847.

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BEND, OR (AUG. 5) UPI - More than 2,000 homes were evacuated Sunday as firefighters battled a 2,200-acre central Oregon wildfire that had already destroyed 27 suburban houses and was burning out of control in residential areas.

State forestry officials said the blaze in a heavily populated area southwest of Bend had caused an estimated $4.5 million damage, while hot, dry weather hampered efforts to contain it.

''The fire is literally growing on all sides,'' said Doug Decker, a spokesman for the Oregon Forestry Department. ''With the weather conditions forecast today, it's going to be extremely difficult to hold the fire.''

Temperatures reached 97 degrees Saturday afternoon and 100-degree heat was predicted for Sunday.

Decker said 1,000 firefighters were battling the blaze, calling in six air tankers and six helicopters to drop retardant and water from above.

He said the fire was burning on privately owned land in residential subdivisions.

''The area where the fire is, if it goes anywhere, it's going to affect more homes,'' Decker said. ''It's not commercial timber. It's timber around people's homes.''

The blaze spread rapidly because of high temperatures and low moisture levels in the pinelands where it began. Decker said it was 90 percent contained Sunday, but could easily jump firelines if the winds picked up.

About 600 firefighters spent Saturday night and early Sunday carving a line around the blaze, then burning the fuel between the fire's front line and the fire break, forestry officials said.

About 700 residents in the path of the fire were evacuated Saturday afternoon from the residential subdivisions of Sunrise Village, First on the Hill, Homestead and Deschutes River Woods between the Cascade Lakes Highway and U.S. Highway 97.

Evacuated Sunday as a precaution were the Mount Bachelor Village and Pinebrook subdivisions. The Inn at the Seventh Mountain, a popular area resort, also was evacuated as the fire burned about a mile away.

Decker said friends and relatives took in some of the displaced residents and others were taken to Red Cross shelters in the Bend and Mountain View high schools. He said an accurate count of the number of people evacuated was not available.

Decker said several evacuating residents suffered bruises and sprains, but no major injuries were reported.

The blaze, dubbed the Awbrey Hall fire, grew Saturday from about 300 acres to 1,500 acres in less than eight hours, officials said. The fire's cause was unknown.

The population of the greater metropolitan area of Bend about 75,000. The

city has about 20,000 residents.

Oregon Gov. Neil Goldschmidt Saturday night declared Deschutes County a disaster area and the state fire marshal invoked the state's Conflagration Act, which allows rural fire departments to leave their jurisdictions to aid departments in other districts.

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(AUG. 5) UPI - The White House says 59 Americans were evacuated from Liberia today by Marine helicopters, and officials say more will be evacuated if they want to leave. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the initial stages of the evacuation went well, and he said he's UNaware of any shots being fired or resistance being encountered. Today's evacuations come after 225 U-S Marines were flown into the capital of Monrovia to prevent a threatened rebel roundup of U-S citizens.

The U-S action comes after Liberian rebel leader Prince Johnson said his troops would begin arresting foreigners in the capital city of Monrovia tomorrow. Johnson made the statement yesterday, saying he hoped the detentions would provoke international intervention in Liberia that would help resolve the country's bloody civil war. Rebels continue to battle government troops loyal to President Samuel Doe.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency reports Iraqi troops have started withdrawing from Kuwait, but the Kuwaiti Embassy in Washington say that is NOT true. A spokesman for the Kuwaiti Embassy says the Iraqis are playing games and says NO Iraqi forces have left Kuwait. The news agency report did NOT specify how many of the 100-thousand Iraqi soldiers in Kuwait had left the oil-rich nation.

Coast Guard officials have revised their initial estimate of how much oil was spilled in last week's barge-tanker collision in the Houston Ship Channel. Authorities say it now appears 700-thousand- NOT 500-thousand-gallons of oil was spilled into Galveston Bay. Salvage crews lifted one of the barges which had sunk in the bay yesterday and discovered virtually NO oil aboard.

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#90217u0603 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - Jurors in the drug and perjury trial of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry deliberated for four hours yesterday without reaching a verdict. The panel did ask to see all exhibits entered into evidence during the trial. The jury is scheduled to resume deliberations tomorrow morning as the trial enters in 10th week.

The Florida judge who sentenced Roswell Gilbert to jail for killing his ailing wife says he does NOT believe Governor Bob Martinez should have granted the 81-year-old man clemency. Broward County Judge Thomas Coker sent a sharply worded letter to Martinez this week criticizing the governor's decision to let Gilbert go free. Gilbert says he killed his wife to end her suffering. Emily Gilbert suffered from Alzheimer's disease and osteoporosis.

Officials in Eugene, Oregon, say a teen-ager who was splashed with gasoline and set afire by his friends is in a Portland hospital in serious condition with burns over 12 percent of his body. Two of the victim's friends, including the one who set him on fire, told police the boy agreed to be ignited. The 12-year-old has been charged with first-degree arson and first-degree assault.

The fourth attempt at a transcontinental solar-powered flight from west to east has made headway. Pilot Eric Raymond took off from Wilcox, Arizona, yesterday in his 195-pound solar aircraft, named Sun-Seeker, and landed near Columbus, New Mexico. He is trying to fly to Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, within seven days. Raymond says he wants the flight to demonstrate the possibilities of solar transportation.

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#90217u0634 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

GALVESTON, TX (AUG. 5) UPI - The backlog of vessels waiting to use the Houston Ship Channel improved significantly Sunday, although traffic was still bottlenecked from a barge-tanker collision that dumped 700,000 gallons of oil into Galveston Bay.

Meanwhile, state officials planned to use more oil-eating microbes Sunday to break up oil threatening environmentally sensitive Merril Marsh near the mouth of Cedar Bayou in the upper reaches of the bay.

Coast Guard crews continued manning skimmers on the water and using vacuum trucks on the beaches around the bay to scoop up the oil spilled in the collision of a Greek tanker and a string of barges July 28.

Officials said Friday they feared as much as 700,000 gallons of oil had leaked from one partially submerged barge in the bay portion of the ship channel, which leads from Houston across Galveston Bay to meets the Gulf of Mexico just east of Galveston Island.

The busy waterway, closed since the collision, initially was reopened to outbound ship traffic after the crippled barge was moved Friday. Later, inbound ships and outbound tow traffic were permitted to move until 8:40 p.m. Saturday, Coast Guard officials said.

The traffic pattern was then reversed to allow inbound tow traffic - tugs with one to three barges - that had been stacked up in Galveston, Texas City and the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway to head toward port.

''It's like driving on a highway under construction - going from six lanes down to two - plus you have the backlog of traffic,'' said watch supervisor Tim Hicks at the Coast Guard's vessel traffic services office.

''The backlog is greatly reduced from what it was earlier in the week,'' he said at midmorning Sunday. ''We've already brought in about 90 tows in since last night.''

About 40 tows bound for Houston were waiting in the intracoastal canal Sunday, but Hicks was unsure about the outbound tow traffic. He said eight ships in port were waiting permission to sail, while another 11 to 12 ships remained offshore waiting to come in.

Petty Officer Mark Sedwick said Sunday the area of greatest environmental concern remains the upper reaches of the bay.

''Basically, it's from the Houston Point area to Point Barrow, up near Trinity Bay,'' Sedwick said.

Applying of the microbes, a process known as bioremediation, was being carried out by the Coast Guard, the Texas General Land Office, the Texas Water Commission and the federal Environmental Protection Agency.

The Texas Department of Health Authorities reopened portions of Galveston Bay to fin fishing Saturday, but the bay, a rich source of oysters, remained closed to shellfishing.

Environmentalists voiced growing concern that much of the oil had not evaporated and was lingering beneath the water's surface.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 5) UPI - President Bush declared Sunday that Iraq's aggression against Kuwait ''will not stand'' and the installation of a puppet government in the oil-rich emirate is unacceptable to the rest of the world.

''That signal has gone loud and clear to Iraq,'' Bush said, his voice rising in anger as he also insisted that his options are ''wide open.''

Bush made the remarks at the White House upon returning from the Camp David retreat in Maryland, where he spent much of the weekend on the telephone with world leaders in an effort to isolate Iraq economically for its Aug. 2

invasion of Kuwait.

While at Camp David, Bush also ordered 255 marines into the West African nation of Liberia to rescue 61 Americans caught up in civil war fighting.

For the first time, Bush expressed his disappointment with Arab leaders, particularly King Hussein of Jordan, who have failed to come up with a promised resolution to the Iraqi conquest of Kuwait.

Bush scorned Iraq's contention that it would begin pulling its troops out of Kuwait on Sunday.

''Iraqis lied once again. They said they were going to begin moving out today and we have no evidence they are moving out,'' Bush said.

The president spoke a couple of hours before summoning his top advisers to the White House Sunday to review military options. He planned to meet Monday with NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner and with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, with whom he conferred last week at Aspen, Colo. Thatcher is stopping in Washington while on her return to London.

A White House spokesman declined to comment on reports that Defense Secretary Dick Cheney had been dispatched to Saudi Arabia.

Bush said the world is united against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's aggression against his country's neighbor.

''There is a united front that Iraq, having committed brutal aggression, ought to get out, and this concept of their installing and leaving some puppet behind is not acceptable,'' Bush said angrily.

Bush repeatedly sidestepped questions concerning his next possible moves to thwart the Iraqi takeover.

''I'm not going to discuss moving forces, but I view very seriously any threat to any other countries and our view to take out this aggression,'' he said.

''We will will be working with all for collective action,'' he asserted. ''This will not stand - this aggression against Kuwait,'' Bush said.

''All options are open, and there is a strong feeling on the part of the NATO countries to whom I've talked,'' he added, ''Turkey being one of them that we must have concerted action to isolate Iraq economically.''

''You can assume those matters are being discussed,'' Bush said, adding that he could not discuss ''the state of play'' that threatened Saudi Arabia. Bush spoke twice by telephone with Saudi King Fahd.

Bush discussed with Fahd and Turkish President Turgut Ozal the status of the Iraqi oil pipelines that run through their countries. Bush told reporters that he spoke to Ozal during the weekend and planned to contact him again Sunday afternoon before meeting with his advisers.

Calling Saddam and his forces ''international outlaws and renegades,'' Bush responded laconically as to how he plans to prevent a puppet regime from replacing Kuwait's Emir Jabar al-Sabah: ''Just wait. Watch and learn.''

Bush revealed that he had given "assurances" to the emir, who fled his country and was taking refuge in Saudi Arabia. Bush did not say what the assurances were.

Bush said he would not discuss the intelligence situation on the ground in Kuwaut right now but he had not heard a figure of 18 army divisions moving in, as has been reported.

The president said he did ''not have the feeling'' that any Americans ''are in imminent danger right now.''

''The threat is the vicious aggression against Kuwait and that speaks for itself, and anything collaterally is just simply more indication that these are international outlaws and renegades,'' Bush said.

''And I want to see the United Nations move soon with Chapter 7 sanctions and I want to see the rest of the world join us as they are in overwhelming numbers to isolate Saddam Hussein,'' he added.

If invoked by the United Nations, Chapter 7 would permit a worldwide economic blockade of Iraq and allow other sanctions.

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(AUG. 5) UPI - U-S Marines flew into the capital city of Liberia today to protect Americans from a threatened roundup by rebels opposed to the government of President Samuel Doe. The White House says a re-inforced rifle company of 225 Marines flew into Monrovia by helicopter. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says their mission is to secure the U-S Embassy and evacuate any of 300 other American citizens who want to leave.

President Bush decided to send the Marines into Liberia yesterday. He acted after rebel faction leader Prince Johnson said his forces would arrest Americans and other foreigners to force international intervention in the bloody six-month civil war in Liberia. The White House says about 21-hundred other Marines are on four U-S ships off the Liberian coast. A spokesman says the Marines will remain in Liberia ''as long as

necessary.'' 59 people were flown by Marine helicopters to the Navy vessels off the coast this morning.

The Kuwaiti Embassy in Washington, D-C, is denying reports that Iraqi invasion forces have begun withdrawing from the oil-rich emirate. The Middle East News Agency reported in Cairo that an unspecified number of the 100-thousand Iraqi troops in Kuwait began withdrawing this morning. The report says the U-N Security Council had been informed of the planned withdrawal. But the Kuwaiti Embassy spokesman in Washington said the Iraqis are- his words here- ''playing games.''

An administration official says President Bush has postponed a five-nation trip to Latin American that had been scheduled for mid-September. The official says the action has NO relation to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. He says the postponement comes so Bush can deal with the continuing negotiations with Congress on the budget deficit and the fiscal 1991 spending plan.

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#90217u0669 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - A 30-mile-wide band of showers spread from northeast New Mexico through the western Oklahoma Panhandle into the northeast corner of Colorado this morning. In San Angelo, Texas, several roads were closed because heavy rains sent rivers and streams over their banks. More rains fell over Arkansas, northeast Ohio and the South. Street flooding was reported in Canton, Ohio, and near Akron.

The New York Times reports that two men believed to be top Mafia figures may be hiding in the city. Both dropped out of sight shortly before their indictments on racketeering charges were announced. The report says the two are Vittorio Amuso and Anthony Casso, both of whom are charged with conspiracy and extortion in rigging bids on 142-Million dollars in window contracts awarded by the New York housing authority.

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#90217u0673 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (AUG. 5) UPI - Left-wing Israeli Parliament members and prominent Palestinians Sunday agreed to a set of guidelines for holding negotiations to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

The guidelines, believed to be the first such informal accords reached by Israeli politicians and Palestinians, proposed talks leading to Palestinian self-determination.

Left-wing Israeli leaders said Sunday's document would establish a framework for future meetings between the two sides.

''I don't expect breakthroughs,'' said Dedi Zucker of the Citizens' Rights Movement. ''I just expect to launch a permanent forum that would allow us, Israelis and Palestinians ... to meet and to speak frankly and in the open.''

The four-point plan called for negotiations between the Israeli government and ''the internationally recognized legitimate representative of the Palestinian people,'' an reference to the Palestine Liberaton Organization.

Yosi Beilin of the Labor Party said he believed at least half of the 38 Labor members in Parliament would support the initiative.

''I believe that this is actually building the atmosphere and the background for such negotiations (in the future),'' he said.

The 12 Israelis and 15 Palestinians, who drew up the document, did not sign it. Palestinian journalist Radwan Abu Ayash said the agreement was intended to send a message to the Israeli public showing the Palestinians' desire for a negotiated peace. He said Sunday's agreement would ''push forward the peace process.''

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's right-wing government opposes talks with the PLO and supports and 1989 Israeli peace initiative calling elections leading to limited autonomy in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

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#90217u0678 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

CHETUMAL, MEXICO (AUG. 5) UPI - Tropical Storm Diana swept over the Yucatan with 45 mph winds Sunday, but U.S. forecasters predicted it would cause little damage in its passage across the peninsula from the Caribbean to the Gulf of Mexico.

Diana was expected to re-emerge over gulf waters sometime Monday morning, at which point it could move north to threaten the U.S. coast, said Bob Case of the National Hurricane Center near Miami.

''The people along the Gulf Coast certainly need to keep a wary eye on it '' Case said.

Tropical storm warnings were raised for the east coast of the Yucatan peninsula from Cancun, Mexico, south to Belize City, Belize.

At 2 pm CDT, Diana was centered near latitude 19.3 north and longitude 87.6 west, on the coast about 70 miles northeast of Chetumal, on the border with Belize, forecasters said.

The storm was moving northwest at near 15 mph, with maximum sustained winds of about 45 mph. Forecasters said only slight weakening was likely while the storm passed across the peninsula.

Tropical storm force winds extended outward up to 100 miles, mainly to the north, the hurricane center said.

Diana was considered a weak tropical storm. Meteorologist Daniel Petersen said strong thunderstorms often generate winds of similar strength.

''We're looking at broken tree limbs, that kind of damage. We are not looking at wrecked homes here,'' Petersen said.

Coastal residents in the Yucatan could expect tides of 3 to 5 feet above normal, he said.

''The biggest problem is going to be the rainfall. Locally heavy rains are going to be occurring, on the order of 5 to 8 inches along the path of the storm,'' he said. ''There could be a problem with some flash flooding as the storm moves across the peninsula, late this afternoon and tonight.''

Roberto Vargas, director of the Civil Protection Committee for the Mexican state of Quintana Roo, said the navy and coast guard had been put on alert and that shipping was suspended in the region at 6 a.m.

Vargas said preparations were under way to shelter anyone left homeless by the storm, although he added that weather reports indicated the situation was unlikely to be serious.

Case said forecasters expect the storm to gain strength once it emerges over the warm gulf waters.

''I think it will go ahead and strengthen, possibly even to a hurricane,'' he said. ''It doesn't take much encouragement.''

Case said models prepared by the hurricane center staff showed several possible paths for the storm.

Diana may move west onto the coast of Mexico, or north toward the United States, depending on how the storm is influenced by another weather system over the Gulf of Mexico, he said.

Meanwhile, Tropical Storm Cesar continued to churn across the Atlantic.

At noon EDT, the storm was centered near latitude 25.8 north and longitude 45.7 west, or about 1,225 miles southeast of Bermuda.

Cesar was moving north-northwest at near 8 mph, and forecasters said that

motion was expected to continue through Sunday.

Maximum sustained winds were near 50 mph, and little change in strength was expected during the next 24 hours.

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#90217u0730 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - 225 U-S Marines are in Liberia's capital in what the White House describes as ''a battle situation.'' The troops were flown into Monrovia today to evacuate and protect Americans from a threatened rebel roundup of foreigners. About 21-hundred more Marines are stationed on four ships off the Liberian coast.

There are reports today that Iraqi forces have begun withdrawing from Kuwait in a move that apparently would leave behind a puppet Kuwaiti government. But the United States and its allies in the Middle East are on guard against a possible Kuwaiti push into neighboring Saudi Arabia.

China says it is suspending the sale of weapons to Iraq in keeping with a U-N resolution calling for sanctions against Baghdad in response to its invasion of Kuwait. A Western diplomat in Beijing says the United States had expressed concern to China's government over the lucrative arms sales.

The White House says President Bush is making some changes in his schedule to to allow for more time for negotiations with Congress on reducing the federal deficit. An administration official says Bush is delaying a five-nation tour of Central America that had been scheduled for the middle of next month.

Lebanon's mainstream Shiite Amal militia says it is holding a Moslem accused of kidnapping U-S Colonel William Higgins in 1988. Amal leaders say the man will be put on trial for his role in the abduction of Higgins, who was reportedly hanged last year... although his body was never found.

Firefighters were up all night in central Oregon, fighting a 22-hundred acre wildfire that has damaged or destroyed 22 homes. About 700 people have evacuated the heavily populated area southwest of Bend. The fire was 85 percent contained this morning, but the flames may increase if winds pick up.

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#90217u0739 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

ASPEN, CO (AUG. 5) UPI - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said Sunday the United Nations should enforce a total economic blockade against Iraq unless Baghdad removes its invasion force from Kuwait ''without delay.''

''If we let (the invasion) succeed, no small country can ever feel safe again,'' Thatcher said at the Aspen Institute's 40th anniversay symposium.

The British leader visited the institute, a think tank for international and public affairs, to receive its prestigious Statesman's Award.

''Iraq's invasion of Kuwait defies every principle for which the U.N. stands,''Thatcher said at the symposium's closing ceremonies.

''The U.N. must assert its authority and apply a total economic embargo unless Iraq withdraws without delay,'' said Thatcher, asserting ''the law of the jungle'' must not ''take over from the rule of law.''

Thatcher had planned to stay in Colorado for several days, but decided to return early to London to deal with the Middle East crisis touched off by Iraq's military action against Kuwait.

She met with President Bush last Thursday in Aspen and planned to stop by for ''final consultations'' at the White House Monday before leaving for London.

Thatcher said that to be fully effective, sanctions ''will need the collective support'' of all U.N. members.

''They must stand up and be counted, because a vital principle is at stake: An aggressor must never be allowed to get his way,'' she said.

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#90217u0782 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

WEST BERLIN (AUG. 5) UPI - West Germany's Lufthansa airlines landed in West Berlin Sunday for the first time since the end of World War II, picking up Soviet children who had spent their vacation in East Germany and returning them to the Soviet Union.

The airline, which had not been allowed to fly to Berlin since 1945, needed special permission to land in the long-divided city from the victorious World War II allies - France, Britain, the United States and Soviet Union.

After the war, the allies had reserved all rights for air traffic to Berlin for their own airlines.

''There is no better way to spend a weekend, coming by plane to Berlin for the first time and then for such a good purpose,'' said Lufthansa pilot Robert Salzer.

The Lufthansa 747 jumbo jet landed at Berlin Schoenefeld airport. It picked up 200 Soviet children from the Soviet region around Chernobyl who were returning to Minsk after spending three weeks vacation in East Germany.

Although the children were excited to see Russian-language cartoons and comics on the Lufthansa plane, most said they were sad to leave.

''The three weeks passed much too quickly,'' said an 11-year-old named Igor, who now lives in the Soviet town of Gomel.

The East German airline Interflug had flown the youngsters to Berlin from Minsk in cooperation with Lufthansa.

In Minsk, Lufthansa will pick up another 360 Soviet children and deliver them to East and West Germany where they will spend their vacations.

The holiday program is organized by East German and Soviet citizen groups to give summer vacations to children who live around Chernobyl, many of whom still suffer health problems from the 1986 nuclear reactor explosion.

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#90217u0802 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 5) UPI - Wholesale gasoline prices surged upward by as much as 25 cents a gallon last week as the invasion of Kuwait caught distributors already scrambling for supplies during the peak driving season, an industry analyst said Sunday.

On a nationwide average, the wholesale price for unbranded unleaded gasoline jumped 9.5 cents during the week ended Friday, according to a survey conducted by Trilby Lundberg of the Lundberg Letter.

Some wholesalers also have increased prices by an additional 6 cents since Friday, Lundberg said, but she did not have a broad enough sample to compute a new average.

She said price increases vary greatly, with some wholesalers up 25 cents and some unchanged. Generally, the Midwest saw the biggest increases.

In two other classes of wholesale trade, price increases were less dramatic. Brand-name gasoline sold to distributors moved up less than 5 cents, and gasoline delivered by major brands to their own dealers moved up only 2.5 cents.

Lundberg, who found a nationwide average retail gasoline price of just over $1.05 on July 20, does not have another retail survey scheduled until Aug. 10.

She said the wholesale price increases are being rapidly reflected at the pump.

''It is logical and expected that dealers will act on any potential of protecting or improving profit margin,'' Lundberg said. ''Our system doesn't work without a profit margin in each point in the system.''

The current events in the Middle East increased gasoline prices so rapidly because of the structure of the industry and the time of year, said Lundberg, whose father, the late Dan Lundberg, gained international fame in the 1970s for his surveys during the Arab oil embargo.

News of the invasion of Kuwait sent prices up sharply on the international market for future delivery of crude oil. The jump in the futures market was quickly reflected in the ''spot'' market for immediate delivery of oil and refined products such as gasoline and heating oil, Lundberg said.

Because of peak summer driving demands, wholesalers without sufficient refining capacity to serve the needs of all of their customers were caught up in the skyrocketing spot market.

Lundberg said environmental requirements of different types of gasoline for different areas of the country make it harder for distributors to respond to a crisis without bidding up prices on the spot market.

She said she expects prices to rise further throughout the peak driving period, but said it would take a serious and sustained crude oil shortage to keep prices rising beyond the end of the month.

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LONDON (AUG. 5) UPI - The Emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, pledged Sunday that his nation's independence would be restored and urged his subjects not to surrender.

In a televised statement from an undisclosed location in Saudi Arabia, the emir pledged that the Iraqi invasion ''would never conquer our will, and we would never surrender to aggression.''

''We will never give in to the invaders,'' said the emir, who appeared hesitant and subdued in his first public statement since the assault, which is reported to have left between 600 to 800 Kuwaitis dead.

His remarks came about an hour before a delegation of six Kuwaitis, including one member of the ruling family, landed in Britain after flying from Saudi Arabia, where they, the emir and other ministers had fled to

escape capture by Saddam Hussein's troops.

''The delegation will be visiting Kuwaiti citzens in capitals of Europe to pass on a message of hope and resassurance from the emir and the Kuwaiti government,'' a spokeswoman at the Kuwaiti Embassy in London said.

She said the delegation flew to London's Heathrow Airport aboard a special Kuwaiti Airlines flight. She said they came ''on their own accord,'' for a short visit which includes plans to hold a news conference on Tuesday.

Included in the delegation was Dr. Mohamed al-Sabah, who described the situation in Kuwait in an interview with the British Broadcasting Corp.

''The Iraqis are going through looting everything, rampaging, stealing the homes, taking people out of their cars, getting their money, breaking into banks,'' he said.

In his speech, the emir said he despaired of the invasion, but praised his country's courage in remarks to the Kawaiti people distributed by the Kuwaiti Embassy in London.

''What makes our hearts filled with sadness is that the source of this unjustified aggression was not an enemy, but came from a brother and a close neighbor to whom we have lent our support during his time of difficulty,'' he said.

''The Kuwait people have always, through determination and steadfastness, remained free, dignified and proud, despite previous calamities and painful experiences,'' he said, noting the ''brave and relentless resistance demonstrated by the Kuwaiti armed forces, the national guard, the police and the ordinary people in the face of the invasion.''

He stressed that Kuwait was not alone in confronting the Iraqi aggression and said he was encouraged by the strong and swift international support it had received from around the world.

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#90217u0888 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - The White House says President Bush spent part of the morning on the telephone, speaking with world leaders about the crisis in the Persian Gulf. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says Bush's talks included discussions with the leaders of Turkey and Saudi Arabia, apparently to encourage both nations to block the Iraqi oil pipelines that run through both countries. Fitzwater adds that the administration welcomes Japan's announcement that it will boycott Iraqi oil exports. Tokyo is a major importer of Iraqi oil.

Iraq's News Agency reports today that ''thousands'' of military vehicles and troops in Kuwait began leaving today under a timetable Baghdad claims it delivered to the United Nations. In Washington, however, the White House says it has ''NO independent or confirmable information'' to back up the Iraqi report. Officials say U-S intelligence shows that Iraqi troops are near the Saudi Arabian border- quote- ''generally in the five to 10 mile range.''

The White House say U-S troops will remain on Liberian soil ''as long as necessary.'' Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says a 225-member reinforced rifle company was flown into Monrovia today to protect and evacuate Americans in Liberia. About 21-hundred more Marines are stationed on four ships off the Liberian coast. Fitzwater says the U-S military will NOT intervene in Liberia's civil war.

Forestry Department spokesman Dave Morman says firefighters face ''tough'' conditions as they battle a blaze burning ''out of control'' in central Oregon. Morman says firefighters are dealing with near 100-degree temperatures, low humidity and winds along with the flames. Officials say the 22-hundred-acre wildfire has already destroyed 22 homes and may threaten hundreds more.

Chicago's West Side is once again in the dark. Utility officials say a fire at a Commonwealth Edison sub-station cut off electricity to about 25-thousand West Side and west Suburban customers. Those affected by today's outage include 20-thousand homes hit by another outage eight days ago that led to scattered looting and Millions of dollars in losses. There is NO immediate word on the cause of the blaze or when power would be restored.

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#90217u0943 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - President Bush was on the telephone today with world leaders, pushing for a boycott of Iraqi oil exports. Japan's prime minister told Bush that his country will impose various sanctions against Iran... including an embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil. Bush welcomed the Japanese boycott, saying he is confident that such measures would help drive Iraq out of Kuwait.

Iraq says its invasion force is pulling out of Kuwait, but leaving behind a ''popular army'' of Iraqi volunteers. The White House and other observers are skeptical of the reported withdrawal. The Iraqi-installed government is threatening to close the Kuwaiti embassies of hostile nations.

A reinforced rifle company of 225 U-S Marines is in the war-torn capital of Liberia. The Marines were flown to the west African nation this morning

to protect Americans against a threatened rebel roundup of foreigners. They also will evacuate Americans who wish to leave the country.

Firefighters are racing to protect hundreds of homes threatened by a fast-moving 22-hundred-acre wildfire in Oregon. The blaze has already destroyed 22 houses and forced the evacuation of 700 residents near Bend, which is in the central part of the state. Fire officials fear triple-digit temperatures and low humidity today may make their job particularly tough.

Tomorrow marks the beginning of crucial peace negotiations between the South African government and the black nationalist African National Congress. This will be the second round of talks, which began in May. Government officials and A-N-C sources say they believe more will be accomplished at these talks because the sides have gained some trust in each other.

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#90217u1017 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	58	49	.542	-	36-18	22-31	7-3	L-1
Toronto	56	51	.523	2	29-26	27-25	5-5	L-3
Baltimore	53	54	.495	5	26-26	27-28	6-4	L-1
Detroit	52	58	.472	7 1/2	26-30	26-28	4-6	W-1
Cleveland	49	58	.458	9	25-26	24-32	3-7	L-1
Milwaukee	45	61	.425	12 1/2	24-32	21-29	1-8	L-8
New York	42	64	.396	15 1/2	22-29	20-35	6-4	W-1

West

Oakland	68	41	.624	-	33-20	35-21	6-4	W-1
Chicago	63	41	.606	2 1/2	31-23	32-18	6-4	W-6
Texas	56	50	.528	10 1/2	29-23	27-27	8-2	W-6
Seattle	56	52	.519	11 1/2	28-27	28-25	6-4	W-1
California	52	57	.477	16	26-27	26-30	4-6	L-1
Minnesota	51	57	.472	16 1/2	28-28	23-29	5-5	L-1
Kansas City	49	57	.462	17 1/2	26-24	23-33	4-6	W-1

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#90217u1039 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - DIGEST:

Auto Racing

NASCAR driver Dale Earnhardt led all 50 laps at Michigan International Speedway in the third and final race of the 1990 International Race of Champions to capture the series championship. The victory, coupled with the number of laps he led in the race, gave Earnhardt 60 points in the three-race IROC series.

Equestrian

Eric Navet of France won the World Showjumping Championships at Stockholm. Navet, 31, was one of four riders who qualified for the final, in which they started out on their own horse and then had to cover the course on their competitors' horses. Navet knocked down one obstacle with his own Malesan Quito de Baussy and cleared the course on the horses he never had been on.

Football

Tennessee tailback Chuck Webb said he may turn pro after this season if he has a good year and the money is right. Webb said his jump to the NFL would depend on ''if the money is there and it's a lot of money.'' Webb has two more years of eligibility after this year. ... Tennessee fullback Greg Amsler will undergo counseling following his second alcohol-related offense, but will be able to play in the Pigskin Classic against Colorado on Aug. 26.

Golf

Vicki Goetze, who last year became one of the youngest women's amateur champions in history, heads the field at the 1990 U.S. Women's Amateur Championship beginning Monday in Summit, N.J. Goetze, 17, of Hull, Ga., will attempt to become the third player since 1986 to successfully defend her Women's Amateur title. ... Ronan Rafferty of Northern Ireland led all the way to win the PLM Open in Bokskogen, Sweden. Rafferty started out on Thursday with a record-tying 64 on his way to a four-round total of 270. Vijay Singh of Fiji finished second, four shots behind Rafferty.

Motorcycle Racing

Kevin Schwantz won the 500cc British Motorcycle Grand Prix at Donnington Park, England for the second year in a row. The win reduced Wayne Rainey's lead in the World Championship to 27 points. Rainey finished second and now has 200 championship points for the season to second-place Schwantz's 173. ... Belgian Erik Geboers, the 500cc motocross world champion, will stop racing at the end of the season. ''I will honor my contracts for this year but I am out for next year,'' Geboers said. Geboers, 28, won the Belgian 500cc Grand Prix Motocross at Namur, securing his fifth world title.

Soccer

Alan Rothenberg, a lawyer who entered the race two weeks ago, was elected president of the U.S. Soccer Federation by a large margin. Rothenberg, who this year relinquished his post as general counsel of the NBA's Los Angeles Clippers, unseated incumbent Werner Fricker, claiming 343.9 votes to 169.66 for Fricker. Paul Stiehl, the federation treasurer, received 69.2 votes from the 700 USSF delegates.

Tennis

Unseeded Argentine Horacio de la Pena overcame blistering heat to upset seventh seed Karel Novacek of Czechoslovakia 6-4, 7-6 (7-4), 2-6, 6-2 in the final of the $375,000 Austrian Open tennis tournament at Kitzbuehel. De la Pena, ranked 191th in the world, beat Novacek in a marathon match that lasted 3 hours, 10 minutes in heat that hovered around 102 degrees.

Yacht racing

Ben Robertson held off Andy Bullen in the final two laps to win the 50-lap Pittsburgh Three Rivers Regatta on the Allegheny River. The two exchanged the lead 12 times before Robertson, of Charleston, S.C., won by two lengths to capture his fourth Three Rivers Regatta in the last six years and win $5,000.

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#90217u1052 08/05/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 6) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
New York	61	43	.587	-	35-16	26-27	5-5	L-2
Pittsburgh	61	43	.587	-	30-17	31-26	5-5	L-1
Montreal	55	53	.509	8	30-23	25-30	2-8	L-5
Philadel.	51	53	.490	10	26-26	25-27	5-5	W-1
Chicago	51	57	.472	12	26-28	25-29	7-3	W-2
St. Louis	49	59	.454	14	26-32	23-27	6-4	W-2

West

Cincinnati	62	44	.585	-	32-17	30-27	3-7	W-1
San Fran.	58	49	.542	4 1/2	31-24	27-25	7-3	L-1
Los Angeles	54	52	.509	8	32-24	22-28	6-4	W-1
San Diego	48	58	.453	14	28-30	20-28	6-4	L-1
Houston	47	61	.435	16	33-21	14-40	6-4	W-4
Atlanta	40	65	.381	21 1/2	22-29	18-36	1-9	L-5

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#90217u1118 08/05/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 6) UPI - UPI TRANSACTION:

Baseball

Baltimore - Placed second baseman Bill Ripken on the 15-day disabled list; purchased the contract of infielder Jeff McKnight from Rochester of the International League (AAA).

Football

Green Bay - Signed defensive end Robert Brown.

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#90217u1175 08/05/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 5) UPI - Iraq warned neighboring Turkey today that taking action against Baghdad would result in an atmosphere of distrust between the two Middle Eastern nations. Iraq's deputy prime minister held a four-hour meeting today with Turkish President Turgut Ozal in Anarka. Turkey is under Western pressure to close an Iraqi pipeline that passes through its territory.

President Bush today was continuing efforts to organize an international boycott of Iraq... telephoning world leaders from the Camp David presidential retreat. Bush also made arrangements to meet again tomorrow with British Prime Minister Thatcher for ''final consultations'' on the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait before she returns to London.

An operation to evacuate Americans from the war-torn capital of Liberia today was a success. A reinforced rifle company of more than 200 U-S Marines arrived in Monrovia this morning to assist 61 Americans who wished to leave the West African nation. The Americans were taken aboard a U-S Navy ship off the coast.

Chicago fire investigators are looking into the possibility of arson in the second fire at a utility sub-station that led to a West Side power outage. More than 25-thousand city and suburban customers are without electricity today. Many are the same people who endured days without electricity last week. There is NO indication when power might be back on line.

Vietnamese officials say they doN'T expect to find any quick or easy answers to settling the Cambodia question during the first U-S Vietnamese talks due to open tomorrow in Ho Chi Minh City. The White House recently withdrew U-S support for a Cambodian resistance coalition fighting the

Vietnamese-backed government.

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#90217u1184 08/05/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 5) UPI - Floods caused by typhoon Tasha have killed at least 108 people since the storm slammed China's southern shore six days ago. The official Xinhua news agency says the deaths brought to well over one-thousand the number of people killed in China this year in severe weather and natural disaster.

The Pittsburgh Press says a nine-month investigation of the Red Cross found the organization doesN'T respond to emergencies as fast or as well as it could. The newspaper says the Red Cross was slowed down by bureaucratic delays and had a double standards in helping minorities and the poor. The Red Cross dismisses the charges as ''absurd.''

A problem in translation led to a confusing matter involving the reported rape of a U-S Navy woman by a Soviet sailor aboard a Soviet ship visiting a San Diego military base. A Soviet official stressing that the report was only an allegation was misinterpreted as saying the woman's claim she was raped was wishful thinking.

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#90217u1193 08/05/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 6) UPI - GOODWILL GAMES METAL STANDINGS

(Standings through 186 events)

	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Tot.
Soviet Union	66	68	54	188
United States	61	53	47	161
East Germany	11	8	24	43
Bulgaria	7	7	9	23
China	6	7	3	16
West Germany	4	3	8	15
Japan	2	3	10	15
Cuba	6	4	3	13
Canada	4	1	6	11
South Korea	3	2	3	8
Romania	2	4	2	8
Spain	3	2	2	7
Hungary	1	1	5	7
Netherlands	1	1	5	7
Australia	0	4	3	7
Brazil	0	1	6	7
Poland	4	1	0	5
Italy	2	2	1	5

Jamaica	1	1	2	4
Great Britain	0	2	2	4
Yugoslavia	2	1	0	3
Denmark	1	1	1	3
Turkey	0	2	1	3
Mongolia	1	1	0	2
Ethiopia	0	2	0	2
New Zealand	0	2	0	2
Kenya	0	1	1	2
Czechoslovakia	1	0	0	1
Mexico	1	0	0	1
Morocco	1	0	0	1
Suriname	1	0	0	1
Bahamas	0	1	0	1
Ireland	0	0	1	1
Sweden	0	0	1	1
Virgin Islands	0	0	1	1

(Tie for silver in men's 200-meter breaststroke in swimming; tie for gold in men's 400-meter individual medley in swimming; tie for silver in men's floor in gymnastics; tie for gold in horizontal bars in gymnastics; tie for gold in parallel bars in gymnastics; tie for bronze in men's 800 meters; tie for silver in women's high jump; tie for bronze in men's 200-meter individual medley; tie for bronze in rope in rhythmic gymnastics; tie for gold in hoop in rhythmic gymnastics; tie for silver in ribbon and ball in rhythmic gymnastics; tie for gold in floor in gymnastics; tie for bronze in all judo weight classes (9); tie for bronze in all boxing weight classes(11).)

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#90217u1380 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - President Bush says the world has sent a loud and clear signal to Iraq that it woN'T stand for the puppet government it has installed in Kuwait. A visibly angry Bush says Iraq's aggression against the oil-rich emirate ''will NOT stand.'' The president's remarks came when he returned today to the White House from a weekend of consultations with his top national security advisers at Camp David.

There's only a skeletal staff of 41 people remaining at the U-S Embassy in Monrovia, Liberia, following an evacuation operation today. U-S Marines airlifted 61 Americans who wanted to get away from the fighting that has torn the capital of the West African nation. The Marines will stay in the country indefinitely to provide security for the Americans still in Liberia.

The National Hurricane Center near Miami issued a warning today for U-S residents along the Gulf of Mexico to keep a close eye out for approaching

Tropical Storm Diana. The storm unleashed 45-mile an hour winds and fierce rains that downed trees and triggered flash flooding as it moved northward over the Yucatan today. The storm is expected to hit gulf waters some time tomorrow., the storm was located near the Mexican border with Belize.

Chicago West-Siders are in the dark again today following the second mass power outage in one week. A second fire ripped through a Commonwealth Edison electrical sub-station today, eight days after a similar fire in another Edison plant caused a black-out. In a news conference this afternoon, Mayor Richard Daley blasted the utility company and says he plans to appoint a special task force to investigate power facilities.

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#90217u1389 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - There are high hopes on both sides involved in tomorrow's peace negotiations between South Africa's white-minority government and the black nationalist African National Congress. It will be the second round of talks between the two groups this year. Both A-N-C and government representatives believe the trust created by partial racial reforms will lead to a better outcome than the first meeting.

Religion will make a return to the classroom in Poland after a 41-year absence during the nation's communist rule. Regulations to be published tomorrow say the schools will resume teaching religion to students on September 1st. The religion classes will be taught in all primary and secondary schools... but student attendance will be voluntary.

More than two-thousand homes have been evacuated because of a 22-hundred acre wildfire in Oregon that is roaring out of control. State forestry officials say the fire already has destroyed 27 homes and caused four-point-five Million dollars in damage to the heavily-populated suburbs of Bend. Despite efforts of about one-thousand firefighters, one official reports that the blaze is ''growing on all sides.''

A Catholic organization is backing Catholic politicians criticized by the church because they support abortion rights. Frances Kissling, the president of Catholics for a Free Choice, says Catholics should NOT be expected to sit back while bishops- in her words- ''carry on a campaign of disinformation.'' Kissling said her organization will be out with a publication to address the issue.

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#90217u1463 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - President Bush returned today from his weekend of Camp David consultations with top national security advisers with some harsh words for Iraq. Bush called the Iraqis ''international outlaws and

renegades.'' And he says they will NOT get away with their aggression against Kuwait. Bush also accused Iraqi President Saddam Hussein of lying about a pullout of Iraqi troops set to begin today.

Japan joined the growing list of countries imposing sanctions on Iraq. Japan hit the Middle Eastern country today with immediate economic sanctions... agreeing to halt Iraqi oil imports and suspend BILLIONS of dollars of aid. Japan's Foreign Ministry also says the government will support a possible U-N Security Council resolution on sanctions against Iraq.

Oil industry analyst Trilby Lundberg says gasoline wholesalers have hiked the price of gas by as much as 25 cents since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Lundberg says the increase stems from the perceived threat against the oil supply and a desire by dealers to protect or improve their profit margins. Lundberg adds that prices will likely stay high through the peak driving season, but should lower UNless the oil supply is disrupted.

Power is back on line for some 25-thousand Chicago West Side and suburban customers after an explosion and fire at a utility substation caused the second blackout in the area in eight days. Commonwealth Edison says it restored service following an outage that occurred this morning. Chicago Mayor Richard Daley denounced the electric company and said he plans to investigate all utilities serving the city.

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#90217u1471 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - Sri Lankan government forces say they killed at least 30 Tamil guerrillas today in an air raid against rebel positions. The helicopter attack followed repeated attacks by the rebels against a government-held fort. Another 25 rebels were reportedly killed in a separate clash which left two government soldiers dead. The Hindu rebels are fighting to break away from the largely Buddhist-controlled government.

A bishop in San Salvador today warned that stalled peace talks between El Salvador's conservative military and leftist rebels could lead to a return of death squads. The Roman Catholic official says a pair of recent killings looked like the work of right-wing death squads. Peace talks aimed at ending 10 years of civil war have been slowed by the government's refusal to reform the military.

A published report in New Hampshire indicates that state investigators still hold out hope of tracking down a missing judge. Former Newport District Judge John Fairbanks has been missing since last December 29th, the day after he was indicted for charges of bilking one-point-eight Million dollars from clients. Police say they believe Fairbanks is living off the money he reportedly stole.

West Germany's Lufthansa airlines landed in West Berlin today for the first time since the end of World War Two. World War Two's victorious allies had reserved all rights for air traffic to Berlin for their own planes... and the airline needed special permission to land in the divided city. The Lufthansa 747 jet picked up 200 Soviet children heading home after a three-week vacation in East Germany.

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#90217u1688 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - Middle East sources report that Egypt and Saudi Arabia are trying to soothe Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein by assuring him that the deposed ruler of Kuwait will NOT return to power. The reported offer would be made to ensure the withdrawal of Iraqi troops.

Broadcast reports quote Kuwaitis as saying that Iraqi soldiers did NOT leave Kuwait today as had been promised... but instead headed in the direction of the Saudi Arabian border. Iraqi T-V accounts showed a troop pullout.

President Bush repeated today that he is keeping all options in responding to the Iraqi invasion. Bush refused to discuss possible military plans, although a published report says contingency plans would deploy F52 bombers to the region.

Oil industry analyst Trilby Lundberg says gasoline pump prices rose as much as 25 cents a gallon following last week's Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Lundberg says the industry's profit-nature and the time of year caused the rapid hike.

255 U-S Marines were airlifted into Liberia today to remove 61 Americans from the battle-scarred nation. The move followed yesterday's announcement by rebel leader Prince Johnson that his troops would begin arresting foreigners in the capital tomorrow.

Power has been restored to some 25-thousand Commonwealth Edison customers on Chicago's West Side. The customers lost service following a morning fire and explosion at a substation. Most of those who lost service also lost service eight days ago during a similar fire.

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#90217u1689 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - Military officials in Sri Lanka estimate that security forces killed 30 Tamil rebels in an airborne raid in rebel-controlled territory. The raid occurred near a government fort where government forces have been under guerrilla attack since mid-June.

Sources within the South African government and the African National Congress are expressing optimism about tomorrow's talks between the A-N-C and President F-W de Klerk. Both sides say the talks could lay the groundwork for ending 42 years of white-minority rule.

Britain's Foreign Office tells U-P-I that Iran has NOT approached British officials about restoring diplomatic ties between the two nations. A British official says the Foreign Office learned of Iran's reported desire to better relations through a radio report from Tehran.

A group of left-wing Israeli Parliament members and prominent Palestinians today revealed guidelines they hope will resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The accord calls for Israel to speak with what it calls the ''internationally recognized legitimate representative of the Palestinian people.''

Officials at the Houston Ship Channel say traffic remains bottle-necked at the recently re-opened waterway, but they say that the back-log of vessels waiting to use the channel has decreased significantly. The channel was closed because of a 700-thousand gallon oil spill last weekend.

Twinsburg, Ohio, lived up to its name this weekend as some three-thousand sets of twins descended upon the town for the 15th annual Twins Days Festivals. Organizers say siblings from just about every state were in attendance, as were nine pairs from the Soviet Union and other foreign countries.

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#90217u1760 08/05/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 5) UPI - Sources say that President Bush has dispatched Defense Secretary Cheney to Saudi Arabia, which the administration fears may become Iraq's next target in the Persian Gulf. Saudi Arabia has long refused to permit U-S forces on its bases, but the crisis in the oil-rich region presents a new emergency opportunity for the administration to press its case. Bush met late today at the White House with top aides to again review the situation in the Persian Gulf, where Iraqi troops occupy Kuwait and have moved within miles of the Saudi border. Without a Saudi base of operations, it would be difficult, if not impossible, for the United States to help fend off an attack by Iraqi troops.

Kuwaiti residents are contradicting Iraqi claims that invasion forces are withdrawing from Kuwait. The residents say the troops are actually moving within the conquered emirate toward the Saudi border. President Bush is one of a number of observers who do NOT believe Iraq's claim that a pullout is underway. Bush says there's NO such evidence and the Iraqis were UNtruthful about their vow to withdraw.

Italy's government averted a collapse today when the ruling coalition won final parliamentary approval for a bill regulating broadcasters. The measure limits the amount of advertising on public and private television channels. It also says a company or individual can hold NO more than 25 percent of the total media market. Government use of confidence votes to force the bill through prompted the resignation of five government ministers.

Commonwealth Edison managed to restore electricity to 25-thousand Chicago customers late this afternoon... but NOT before the company was harshly criticized for the city's second black-out in eight days. The lights went out after a fire ripped through a ComEd sub-station used to restore power after last week's power outage on the city's west side. Mayor Richard Daley says he plans to create a task force to investigate all utilities that serve the city.

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#90218b0003 08/06/1990 ~Business Wire

DENVER (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Hamilton Oil Corp. Monday announced financial results for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Net earnings for the second quarter of 1990 were $7,265,000, or 25 cents per share. This is a 160 percent increase from second quarter 1989 net earnings of $2,793,000, or nine cents per share. Revenues for the second quarter were $41,264,000 vs. revenues of $51,295,000 for the same period in 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net earnings were $19,107,000, or 68 cents per share, on revenues of $111,353,000. This compares to first half 1989 net earnings of $13,949,000, or 49 cents per share, on revenues of $117,005,000.

The increase in net earnings for the three and six month periods in 1990 is primarily the result of decreased depletion, depreciation and amortization expense and a reduction in interest expense.

Net production for the first half of 1990 averaged 5,192 barrels of liquids and 162 million cubic feet of natural gas per day. Average daily production for the first half of 1989 was 5,822 barrels of liquids and 166 million cubic feet of natural gas.

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DAYTON, Ohio (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. announced that Wal-Mart Stores Inc., the discount retail chain, has selected NCR PACESETTER scanners and personal computers for installation throughout its enterprise.

The contract with Wal-Mart is valued at approximately $6 million over the next several years.

''We selected the NCR PACESETTER scanner because it can scan and decode even the most difficult-to-read product labels, thus improving customer service,'' said Robert Martin, senior vice president of Corporate MIS, Wal-Mart. ''It also results in improved checker productivity and accuracy. For instance, the scanner has the capability, on the first pass to read bad labels that previously required the POS cashier to scan the label a second time.''

For example, in a medium-sized Wal-Mart store, 20 NCR PACESETTER Scanners would be connected to point-of-sale terminals in order to scan UPC (Universal Product Code) labels on products and coupons, and to capture information for inventory.

The NCR PACESETTER Scanner units will be installed primarily in Wal-Mart's 175 new stores planned for this year and next year.

According to Tony Fano, vice president, NCR Retail Systems Division, ''Based on industry standards, PACESETTER fits in with NCR's Open, Cooperative Computing strategy of providing enterprise-wide computing solutions based on open systems components and cooperative processing.''

Under the current contract, Wal-Mart has installed 125 NCR personal computers with plans to install up to 500 units. The NCR personal computers are connected to a Novell LAN and are used in a personal productivity role.

''This is a significant milestone for us with Wal-Mart, a company we have had a long-standing relationship with,'' said Frank Farrell, area vice president of NCR's Southwest retail division. ''In fact, we already have NCR personal computers installed in more than 900 stores.''

Stores in the 27-year-old Wal-Mart chain are designed as one-stop family shopping centers featuring a variety of merchandise in 36 departments. Wal-Mart has 1,438 stores and 129 wholesale clubs operating in a 30-state trade territory. The company also operates 16 distribution centers nationwide.

Service and maintenance support for NCR products is provided by NCR's 5,000 field and software engineers at over 400 locations throughout the United States.

NCR, based in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information systems for worldwide markets.

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GREENW00D, SC (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - United Financial Corporation of South Carolina Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:UNSA) Monday announced the election of four directors to the Board of Directors of the corporation. They include:

1. Lynn W. Hodge, President and Chief Executive Officer of United Financial Corporation.

2. Joab M. Anderson, co-owner of South Atlantic Constructors, Inc.

3. W. A. Barnette, Jr., President, Greenwood Packing.

4. Dr. C. Herbert Magruder, partner, Carolina Pathology Associates.

These directors were elected at the corporation's Annual Meeting of Shareholders on July 24, 1990, to serve three-year terms. On the same date, the corporation also accepted the resignation of William P. Watkins Jr. as a director, and appointed four directors from the Board of Directors of Home Federal Savings Bank of Rock Hill, S.C, to the Board of Directors of the Corporation, including:

1. James M. Doswell, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Home Federal Savings Bank and retired textile executive; (two-year term)

2. Dr. William M. Hull, Jr., Rock Hill ophthalmologist; (two-year term)

3. Don P. Ferguson, Sr., Senior Vice President of Interstate/Johnson Lane; (one-year term)

4. Dr. Jerry H. Padgett, Dean of the School of Business Administration of Winthrop College (one-year term).

United Financial Corporation of S.C. Inc. is a savings and loan holding company consisting of two subsidiaries: United Savings Bank, Inc. of Greenwood, S.C., and Home Federal Savings Bank of S.C. Inc. The subsidiary banks serve Greenville, Greenwood, Rock Hill and the surrounding area

through 13 full-service and two limited-service offices.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Bishop Inc. (NASDAQ:BISH) Monday announced that Gary Rubin has accepted the position of controller and chief accounting officer with the company, effective Aug. 6.

He replaces Dennis K. Tsuyuki, who recently resigned.

John J. Theiss, president and chief executive officer, stated, ''Gary's extensive experience in the financial management of high-growth companies adds an important dimension to our management team.''

Prior to joining Bishop, Rubin served as controller with Enigma Entertainment, a major joint venture with Capital/EMI Records. He also has held positions as controller with Hospital Satellite Network, manager of corporate planning with Logicon Inc., and manager of financial reporting with AM International.

Bishop Inc., founded in 1965 with headquarters near Los Angeles in Agoura Hills, supplies a complete line of design products and services through its manufacturing, marketing and distribution operations. The company serves the engineering, architectural and drafting markets in the United States and in 72 countries throughout the world.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Brooktree Corp. Monday announced that it has franchised Anthem Electronics in all locations effective Sept. 1, 1990.

As a result, Brooktree will be terminating partial franchises with Insight Electronics (Los Angeles, San Diego, Texas and Arizona), Western Microtechnology (Saratoga, Calif. and Seattle and Portland, Ore.) and JACO/QC (Texas). Brooktree will retain Marshall Industries and Reptron in all North American locations.

According to Brian Rooney, Brooktree vice president of worldwide sales,

the changes will allow Brooktree to provide better service to its distribution customers through a complete franchise arrangement with Anthem and Marshall.

"While we've been very pleased with our association with Insight, Western Microtechnology and JACO/QC, we believe we can be more effective by shifting toward fewer distributors with wider coverage," Rooney explained.

Brooktree designs, manufactures, and markets high-performance mixed signal and VLSI solutions for applications in computer graphics, imaging, and ATE. The company is headquartered in San Diego.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Brooktree Corp. announced Monday the promotion of Richard H. Lee to the position of executive vice president, reporting to James A. Bixby, president, chief executive officer and chairman.

In his new position, Lee will share responsibility with Bixby for all operational aspects of the company. Lee joined Brooktree in 1985 as director of strategic marketing, and has been serving as vice president of worldwide sales.

''Richard Lee's promotion comes as a result of his successes over the course of his term as vice president of worldwide sales,'' said Bixby. ''Richard was largely responsible for Brooktree's sales growth to $65 million in 1990, and we look forward to his contributions as he takes a more active role in Brooktree's operational management,'' Bixby added.

Brian Rooney, formerly national sales manager for Brooktree, has been promoted to vice president of sales to fill the post vacated by Richard Lee. Rooney joined Brooktree in 1988 from Silicon Systems, where he served as vice president of sales for 1-1/2 years. Prior to Silicon Systems, Rooney was at Monolithic Memories, most recently as director of international sales.

Richard Lee has a BSEE from Tulane University, an MSEE from the University of Wisconsin, and an MBA from Clairemont University.

Brian Rooney has an HND from Strachclyde University of Glasgow.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - National Semiconductor Corp.'s Computer Enhancement Group (CEG) Monday expanded its EtherNODE family of Ethernet adapter cards with the introduction of two new products for Apple Macintosh computers.

The adapter cards join CEG's Ethernet solutions for IBMR PCs and compatibles introduced in June 1990 and allow Macintosh computers to connect to Ethernet Local Area Networks (LANs).

National's new boards, the first products to come to market as the result of the company's technology agreement and joint engineering development with Dove Computer Corp., are designed for Apple's Macintosh II and SE/30 computers.

EtherNODE 16 NB is a 16-bit NuBus board for all models of the Macintosh II and EtherNODE 32 SE/30 is a 32-bit DMA (direct memory access) board for the Macintosh SE/30 Processor Direct Slot. Both boards feature the latest IC technology from National Semiconductor and include software drivers that are fully compatible with Apple's EtherTalk.

Paul Jain, general manager of CEG, said: ''National Semiconductor is committed to supplying Macintosh users with the latest and most reliable LAN technology. We offer a fully compatible Ethernet system that will enable Macintosh users to gain the maximum benefit from the large networks and increased throughput made possible by Apple's Phase II networking.

''We expect the number of Ethernet connected Macintosh systems to grow rapidly from the current 7 percent to nearly half of the systems shipped by the end of 1992 and plan to be a major supplier to those systems.''

EtherNODE 32 SE/30 utilizes National's next-generation DP83932 SONICTM (System-Oriented Network Interface Controller) device, which eliminates network bottlenecks and maximizes system performance in 32-bit microprocessor based systems.

It uses surface mount technology wherever possible to maintain the highest level of technology and provide the most reliable product available.

EtherNODE 16 NB is based on National's DP839X, the industry's most widely used Ethernet LAN chip set. It is designed to use the minimum number of components, resulting in the first half-card Ethernet adapter for NuBus and ensuring maximum reliability. The board features total compatibility, even to the level of supporting operation with Apple's EtherTalk driver.

Both boards incorporate connectors for both thick and thin Ethernet coax cable. On-board support for 10BaseT twisted pair Ethernet is planned for introduction later this year.

CEG plans to expand its Macintosh networking line with the introduction of additional new products during 1990 within the scope of the National and Dove agreement. These will include two boards, a new Ethernet adapter for the Macintosh SE and a 32-bit, SONIC-based, ultra high-performance board for the Macintosh II.

In addition to CEG's Apple and PC Ethernet adapter products, the group also offers other connectivity system solutions for IBM PCs and compatibles, including 3270 terminal emulation, PC fax and SNA gateway products.

Ethernet is the most popular network for connecting IBM PCs, UNIX workstations and Digital Equipment Corp. VAX Computers. It has evolved into the de facto LAN standard because of its numerous connectivity options and its ability to carry copious amounts of data between large numbers of connected computers and other devices.

Because of the high reliability of National's board and IC technology, EtherNODE products carry the only five-year warranty available on Ethernet controller boards. Suggested retail price for the EtherNODE 16 NB is $495.00. EtherNODE 32 SE/30 is priced at $595.00. Orders for both products are now being accepted for delivery within 30 days.

The boards are available from leading dealers and distributors. For additional information, call 800/538-8510 or 408/721-5020.

National Semiconductor Corp., with headquarters in Santa Clara, is a leader in the design, manufacturing and marketing of advanced proprietary semiconductor and system products for high-growth markets such as data communications, telecommunications, office peripherals, mass storage and automotive electronics.

Dove Computer Corp., based in Wilmington, N.C., designs, manufactures and sells enhancement products for use in the Apple Macintosh personal computer market. Dove designs and markets memory, networking, accelerator and communications products. Dove products are available through dealers and distributors worldwide.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Sales and operating earnings at Baker Communications Inc. (NASDAQ:BAKR) reached record levels during the second quarter of 1990.

The company reports that sales for the quarter rose to $2,344,050, up 4 percent from the same quarter last year.

The company also showed earnings from operations for the quarter of $501,143, up 12 percent from last year's $447,000.

The company earned $36,275 for the quarter compared with a loss of $421,637 in 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company had sales of $4,465,093, up 15 percent over the first six months of 1989. Earnings from operations for the six months were $804,143, an increase of 46 percent over the first six months of 1989. For the six months, the company showed a loss of $72,800 compared with a loss of $567,718 in 1989.

''In spite of the nationwide weakness in print advertising, our newspapers have shown an overall growth rate of 15 percent in advertising revenue so far this year. We attribute this outstanding result to the dominant position our papers hold in some of the most affluent areas of Southern California,'' according to Seth Baker, chairman and president of the company.

Baker Communications, founded in 1983, publishes newspapers serving Rancho Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills Estates, Rollings Hills, Palos Verdes Estates, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, El Segundo, Redondo Beach, Beverly Hills, Brentwood, Bel-Air, Agoura Hills, Westlake Village and North Ranch in Los Angeles County, and Newport Beach, Huntington Harbour, Laguna Beach, Corona del Mar and Villa Park in Orange County.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Genentech Inc. and Roche Holding Ltd.

of Basel, Switzerland announced Monday that both companies have certified to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) that they are in substantial compliance with its request for additional information on the proposed merger involving the two companies, and have agreed with the staff of the FTC to extend the Hart-Scott-Rodino waiting period for the proposed merger to Aug. 31, 1990.

On March 23, the FTC, under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, requested that each company supply additional information.

The companies will not comment on the information requested and submitted while the matter is still pending before the FTC.

Under the $2.1 billion agreement announced on Feb. 2, Roche will invest approximately $492 million in capital in Genentech and pay about $1.6 billion to Genentech stockholders for a 60 percent equity interest.

For each two shares of existing stock, Genentech stockholders will receive $36 and one share of new redeemable common stock which will be traded on the New York Stock Exchange. During the five years following the merger, Roche has the right to redeem the remaining shares at prices increasing from $38 per share to $60 per share.

On June 8, Genentech stockholders approved the proposed merger with 97 percent of the votes cast in favor of the transaction. The parties intend to complete the merger promptly after expiration or termination of the Hart-Scott-Rodino waiting period.

Roche Holding Ltd. is a global healthcare company spanning more than 100 countries and employing 50,000 worldwide. In 1989, Roche's sales totaled approximately $6.5 billion. Roche's five divisions comprise pharmaceuticals, vitamins and fine chemicals, diagnostics, fragrances and flavors, and plant protection.

In addition to the facilities connected with these divisions, the company maintains four primary research and development centers in Basel, Switzerland, Nutley, N.J., Welwyn Garden City, England and Kamakura, Japan.

Genentech Inc. is a leading biotechnology company focusing on the development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceuticals produced by recombinant DNA technology.

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REDMOND, Wash. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. Monday announced two high-level personnel changes to better implement its overall systems software strategy.

Brad A. Silverberg has been named vice president, systems division with responsibilities for the MS-DOS and Microsoft Windows business unit. Russ Werner, previously general manager of the MS-DOS and Windows business unit becomes general manager, systems marketing.

Silverberg, 36, comes to Microsoft from Borland International Inc. where he was vice president of engineering, in charge of all product and application development. He will report to Steve Ballmer, senior vice president of systems at Microsoft.

''We are pleased that Brad has joined Microsoft,'' said Steve Ballmer. ''His strong background in computer science and development will be a great addition to the systems division. He has the technical skill to drive the products forward.''

Russ Werner has successfully headed up all MS-DOS and Windows efforts over the past two years including the creation and launch of Microsoft Windows graphical environment version 3.0. In his new position as general manager of systems marketing, Werner will be responsible for developing high-level strategic messages about the entire systems family, which includes operating systems, networking products and development tools. In addition Werner will be responsible for all systems developer relations activities across product lines.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ: MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems languages and application programs, as well as books, CD ROM products and hardware for the microcomputer marketplace.

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DALLAS (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - At the Siggraph '90 conference Monday, Sun Microsystems unveiled visualization workstations powered by the new VX

and MVX visualization accelerators.

These new visualization models of Sun's powerful deskside SPARC workstations deliver high performance across the full range of visualization techniques, including image processing, volume rendering, 3-D graphics and high-quality rendering.

Such visualization capabilities have previously been available only on the most costly graphics supercomputers or on multiple special-purpose accelerators.

These latest additions to Sun's visualization product line -- the broadest of any workstation vendor -- will be utilized by developers and sophisticated end users in areas such as medical imaging, remote sensing, earth resources, scientific visualization, pharmaceutical/chemical, geographic information systems and mechanical computer-aided design.

The new SPARCstation VX models contain the single-board VX accelerator, which offers 40 MIPS and 60 peak MFLOPS (double precision). This accelerator has twice the performance and memory of Sun's TAAC-1 accelerator, at a lower price.

A multi-processor MVX board can be added to VX models to boost accelerator performance to 160 MIPS and 240 peak MFLOPS, or more than four to six times faster than the TAAC-1.

Sun already offers a broad range of graphics hardware and software products, including the industry's fastest desktop 2-D graphics systems. Now, Sun has become the leader in visualization by offering a variety of technologies spanning graphics, imaging, rendering and animation. This is in contrast to other vendors, who specialize in only graphics or only imaging technologies.

''Today's leading-edge applications require more than just lines and polygons used in graphics; they need the full range of visualization capabilities,'' said Mary Whitton, director of marketing for visualization products at Sun.

''Our focus is on making visualization more accesible to mainstream applications by integrating technologies, simplifying use, increasing performance at the high end and lowering the cost of entry-level products.''

With the introduction of its visualization workstations, Sun now offers visual computing solutions in a wide range of price points. These solutions begin at under $20,000 for a 15.8-MIPS desktop SPARCstation 1+ running SunVision software up to a 22-MIPS SPARCstation 470VX with the MVX for under $120,000.

An important feature of systems including the VX and MVX is that they boost the performance of SunVision applications by two to 15 times. SunVision visualization software, which will be shipped beginning in August, and XGL, Sun's 2-D/3-D graphics software library (already shipping), are bundled with the VX.

SunVision includes libraries and advanced tools for easy development of visualization applications. All SunVision visualization tools are easy to use, since they share OPEN LOOK, an intuitive graphical user interface.

In addition to using SunVision's tools and libraries, developers can take advantage of the robust C development tools that are bundled with the VX and MVX. With these tools, developers can harness the full processing power of the VX and MVX to extend the capabilities of SunVision or to develop new visualization software.

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, Calif., is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

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REDMOND, WA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. Monday announced the availability of several gateway products which provide additional connectivity capabilities to users of Microsoft Mail version 2.0 for AppleTalk networks.

These products, which allow Microsoft Mail systems to be connected to VMS Mail, All-In-One, MCI MAIL, UNIX SMTP and other external systems, provide connectivity solutions that offer enterprise-wide capabilities for diverse networked environments.

The well-defined set of APIs (application programming interfaces) in Microsoft Mail allows for the development of gateways that offer the highest level of performance and reliability between two systems. The Microsoft Mail architecture is designed to allow developers to seamlessly integrate gateways for a completely transparent connectivity solution. This capability allows developers to provide gateway products that let Mail users communicate with users on external systems without having to learn cryptic addressing protocols or leave the familiar and easy-to-use Microsoft Mail environment.

AlisaMail from Alisa Systems is a Microsoft Mail-compatible VMS Mail server that runs on a VAX and directly communicates with Microsoft Mail servers. AlisaMail's unique Information Switch architecture also provides easy-to-administer gateways to All-In-One, IBM PROFS and X.400. In addition, Alisa offers MailMate/MM, a gateway that resides on a Mac-based Microsoft Mail Server that provides connectivity between Microsoft Mail and DECnet-based mail services.

PacerPost from Pacer Software enables VAX systems running the VMS operating system to function as a fully compatible Microsoft Mail server, gateway or client. PacerPost has been constructed according to Microsoft specifications and is 100 percent compatible with Mail's sophisticated store-and-forward messaging, client-server architecture.

GatorMail-M from Cayman Systems Inc. provides UNIX connectivity, which lets Microsoft Mail users exchange mail directly with any mail system using SMTP (Simple Messaging Transport Protocol), the mail protocol most widely used by UNIX computers. GatorMail-M can be used with or without a GatorBox, Cayman's LocalTalk to TCP/IP bridge.

CommGATE, from Solutions Inc., takes advantage of the Microsoft Mail programmable gateway architecture to provide efficient access to a wide variety of MCI MAIL services. In particular, CommGATE supports the sub-addressing capabilities of MCI MAIL, allowing multiple users to send and receive messages through a single account.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Superstar Michael Jackson's first television commercial in nearly four years will break on network television the week of Aug. 6.

The 30-second commercial, on behalf of L.A. Gear Inc., is titled ''Unstoppable Magic.'' Television industry executives are praising the spot as true ''breakthrough creative.''

''This is a triumphant moment for Michael and L.A. Gear,'' said Sandy Saemann, executive vice president of L.A. Gear. ''Michael has entered the '90s with movement, sound, images and a style that will set the tone for the decade.''

The approximately $700,000 commercial features Jackson dancing in a dark, urban setting shot at night in downtown Los Angeles. It is rich with special visual and sound effects that portray the energy that comes from Jackson's fluid dance movements. The entire set is transformed into a whirlwind of nature tamed only by Jackson himself. At the end of the spot Jackson smiles and nods to an appreciative audience of one.

Jackson was personally involved with every phase of the commercial: he created the storyline, the soundtrack and edited the entire piece.

Jackson is wearing L.A. Gear's ''Billie'' shoes, from L.A. Gear's Michael Jackson line of shoes, currently in stores throughout the country. The black high-top shoes, adorned with silver buckles, retail for about $75.

Also appearing in the commercial is eight-year-old Brandi Jackson, the daughter of Jackie Jackson, Michael's brother.

The ad is part of L.A. Gear's $10 million back-to-school ad campaign which features, along with Jackson, superstars Joe Montana, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Akeem Olajuwon.

The fall advertising campaign media buy will include national primetime shows as well as cable, nationally syndicated shows and top 25 markets.

Based in Los Angeles, L.A. Gear markets and designs fashion performance footwear, apparel and accessories. The company is currently the third largest athletic footwear company in the United States. L.A. Gear products are sold internationally in more than 100 countries.

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LAS VEGAS (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Health Services Inc. (ASE:SIE) Monday reported that income before litigation judgment reserve for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 was $1,620,000 or 28 cents per share compared to net income of $718,000 or 12 cents per share for the second quarter of 1989, an increase of 126 percent.

The company also recorded a reserve of $6.5 million, or $1.12 per share, as a result of a previously disclosed legal judgment. Including the $6.5 million reserve, the company recorded a net loss of $4,880,000 or 84 cents

per share compared to net income of $718,000 or 12 cents per share for the second quarter of 1989.

Revenue for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 was $40,691,000 compared to $33,396,000 for the same period in 1989, an increase of 22 percent.

The above mentioned legal judgment found against the company, Anthony M. Marlon M.D., chairman, president and chief executive officer of the company, and David B. Willis, a former director and officer of the company resulted from a class action lawsuit originally filed on Oct. 10, 1986.

The company and the other named defendants disagree with this verdict and have asked the court for a judgment notwithstanding the verdict. Failing a favorable ruling on this motion, the defendants intend to file an appeal.

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Laser Corp. (NASDAQ:LSER) Monday announced results for the second quarter ended June 30.

Net sales for the three months ended June 30 were $2,359,000, a decrease of 6.4 percent from $2,521,000 in the second quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter was $148,000 or 4 cents per share, as compared with $219,000, or 6 cents per share, for the comparable period in 1989.

Net sales for the six months ended June 30 were $4,725,000 compared with $4,800,000 for the comparable period in 1989, a decrease of 1.6 percent. The decrease in net sales is primarily due to a decrease in new unit sales offset by an increase in service revenues. Net income for the six month period was $188,000, or 6 cents per share, as compared with a loss of $227,000, or (3 cents) per share, for the like period in 1989.

Larry Levy, president and chief executive officer of Laser Corp., commented that he was pleased with the continuing improvements in the areas of cost of products sold, with the resulting gross margins providing the necessary cash for new product development.

''The company is anticipating that third quarter profits will remain low as a result of increased R&D spending, and still estimates a full-year profit before taxes of approximately one million dollars as a result of increased revenues associated with these new products later in the year.''

Laser Corp., based in Salt Lake City, designs, manufactures and markets lasers and laser sub-assemblies.

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BROOMFIELD, COLO. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Hathaway Corp. Monday announced that it has extended its stock repurchase program through Dec. 31, 1990.

The program was established May 25, 1989 whereby the company might from time-to-time to July 31, 1990 use up to $1 million to repurchase its common stock.

As of July 31, 1990, the company has repurchased $813,000 of its stock. The $187,000 balance of the $1 million program may now be used from time-to-time to repurchase its stock through Dec. 31, 1990.

Hathaway Corp. designs, produces and markets computer software, electronic systems, electromechanical systems and instrumentation for world markets.

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SAUSALITO, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Autodesk (NASDAQ/NMS:ACAD) one of the nation's largest software companies, announced Monday that growing anti-piracy awareness among software consumers, as well as increased assistance from law enforcement agencies, combined to net the company over $2 million in payments recovered from those found to have infringed on Autodesk's copyrights.

The $2 million mark was reached just 18 months after the inception of Autodesk's Special Projects Department -- an innovative task force established to fight software piracy aggressively through interdiction, education and legislation.

Special Projects Director Sandra Boulton commented on the milestone saying ''Our efforts are paying off -- literally.'' According to Boulton, Autodesk's programs concentrate their efforts on developing a spectrum of anti-piracy educational materials and on strengthening ties to key law enforcement agencies worldwide.

''We've seen a marked increase in the number of reported piracy cases, even though piracy itself is not on the rise,'' continued Boulton. ''This tells me that our education programs are creating increased

sensitivity towards software piracy issues.

''We've also had tremendous support from law enforcement agencies worldwide, specifically the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in Canada and the FBI here in the U.S., that are converting suspected software pirates into apprehended software pirates.''

Autodesk's Special Projects department augments their ''software police'' actions with the distribution of anti-piracy kits. These kits include brochures detailing the consequences of software piracy, information on current copyright law and sample corporate policy statements to aid organizations in establishing guidelines for software use.

In addition to these information kits, Autodesk also maintains membership in a variety of industry organizations that combat software piracy.

Autodesk also works with organizations like the Business Software Alliance (which includes industry leaders such as Microsoft, Lotus Development and Ashton-Tate among its members) to prosecute software pirates, educate customers and promote clearer copyright legislation to protect against infringement.

Autodesk Inc. develops, markets and supports a family of computer-aided design, engineering and animation software solutions for desktop computers and workstations.

For more information on Autodesk's efforts to curb software piracy, call 415/331-0356 or GO ADESK on CompuServe.

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POWAY, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Patriot Financial Corp. (OTC: Pink Sheets) announced that it has entered into a nonbinding letter of intent with Mel Fisher concerning a $1 million equity investment to provide development financing for Patriot's ground penetrating radar technology (GPR) and concerning the grant to Fisher of limited rights to use the GPR technology.

An early version of the GPR technology developed by Elwood G. Norris, president and chief executive officer of Patriot, has successfully penetrated the earth's surface, during initial field testing, to depths of 200 feet with resolution of approximately 12 inches in diameter at depth. The company's GPR employs visual color display vs. graphs and charts and the company believes it provides greater penetration depth and clarity

than existing devices.

The financing is planned to be used to purchase equipment and develop a prototype GPR device. Development is scheduled to take six to 12 months. The GPR technology, if successfully developed, is expected to have broad applications in such areas as water drilling, construction, pollution control, treasure recovery, military, natural resource and medical applications.

The proposed financing terms contemplate the issuance of 10 million units of Patriot. Each unit would consist of one share of common stock and one Class A common stock purchase warrant exercisable at 10 cents each into one common share and one Class B common stock purchase warrant. The Class B common stock purchase warrant is exercisable at 20 cents each into one common share. The warrants are intended to have the same terms and conditions as the existing outstanding warrants of Patriot.

Patriot presently has 22.5 million common shares outstanding, 15 million subject to an earnout escrow arrangement with Norris related to the performance of the GPR technology. There are presently 3.5 million Class A common stock purchase warrants outstanding.

Fisher would also receive certain rights to use the proposed GPR technology for the locating and recovery of treasure. Patriot shall receive a percentage of all treasure recovered with the technology by Fisher. Patriot retains all other rights to the technology.

The terms of the transaction would also result in Fisher becoming a director of Patriot. Fisher is engaged in locating and salvaging treasure.

The terms of the non-binding letter of intent require the execution of a definitive agreement and negotiation and agreement on a number of material terms and conditions. The proposed closing date is on or before Sept. 21 and until that time Patriot has agreed to work exclusively with Fisher on financing through this proposed transaction.

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RICHMOND, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - AMOT Controls Corporation has been acquired by Roper Industries Inc. in a transaction arranged by Sutro & Co. Incorporated, it was announced by Charles O. Thompson, vice president of corporate finance at Sutro.

Thompson noted that this was the 50th transaction arranged by Sutro's

Mergers, Acquisitions and Leveraged Buyout Group since that unit was formed in 1987.

AMOT, founded in 1948, is a leading manufacturer of valves and industrial controls. Based in Richmond, Calif., the company manufactures its products in that city and also at a facility in Bury St. Edmunds, England.

Thompson said AMOT distributes its products worldwide, both directly and through distributors and representatives. Many of the company's products are designed for use in hazardous, explosive or rugged environments in the oil and gas, maritime and power generation fields. AMOT products meet government and industry standards for use in such situations.

In its most recent fiscal year AMOT had sales of more than $23 million. Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

Roper Industries has its headquarters in Commerce, Ga. It is a manufacturer of industrial pumps for a variety of applications, including hydrocarbon processing and irrigation.

Sutro & Co., founded in 1858, is a wholly owned subsidiary of John Hancock Freedom Securities. Based in San Francisco, the firm has corporate finance offices in that city and in Los Angeles.

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RESTON, VA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint announced that it has won four contracts worth a total of $15.5 million for international data communications networks and equipment.

In the largest contract, Sprint International, US Sprint's private networks and international telecommunications subsidiary, will provide Citibank, N.A. with an international private data communications network linking 149 sites in 74 countries. In addition, US Sprint will install packet switched data networks for corporate customers in Mexico, South Korea and Taiwan.

The contracts announced Monday include:

o An $8.0 million agreement to design and install a private data network, called the Citibank Global Telecommunications Network (GTN) for Citibank, N.A., and for other Citicorp affiliates. The new network will deploy a single switching technology worldwide, interconnecting local Citibank networks in North and South America, Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia and

the South Pacific. The new network will meet Citibank's needs for higher capacity through the 1990s to accommodate a wide range of global financial transactions.

o A contract for Sprint International and its distributor, Pentamex, S.A., to provide a $3.9 million packet switched data network for CIFRA, a Mexico City-based conglomerate that operates retail department stores, supermarkets, and restaurants throughout Mexico. The network, called CIFRA-PACK, is the first major private packet switching network in Mexico for the retail industry, and will enable CIFRA to perform inventory management, check verification, database access, cash transactions and other functions in 150 of its locations throughout the country.

o A $1.8 million contract to build a private data network for Ssangyong, a Korean conglomerate with interest in financial securities, trading, automobile manufacturing and cement industries. Ssangyong Computer Systems Corporation will operate the network to link its sister companies throughout Korea, and also to provide Electronic Document Interchange (EDI) services in the future.

o $1.8 million contract from Taiwan Telecommunications Network Services Company, Ltd., for a data network that will provide public data and electronic messaging communications services throughout Taiwan. Future plans call for applications that will include Electronic Document Interchange (EDI), as well as interconnection to the international SprintNet data network.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City, Mo.

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SUN VALLEY, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Flamemaster Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:FAME) reported net earnings of $283,660 on revenues of $1,379,331 for quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared with net earnings of $83,631 on revenues of $1,038,098 in the previous year's quarter.

Per-share results were 14 cents for the third quarter vs. 4 cents in the prior year's third quarter.

For the nine-month period, earnings were a record net of $622,670 on record revenues of $4,053,176, compared with net earnings of $210,483 on revenues of $2,702,274 in the year earlier period. Per-share results for

the nine months ended June 30, 1990, were 31 cents vs. 10 cents for the nine months ended June 30, 1989.

Joseph Mazin, president, stated that he believes sales and earnings will continue at higher levels for the remainder of the year.

Mazin further stated that Dyna-Seal Corp., a 20 percent-owned packaging and marketing affiliate, has made excellent progress in the quarter and will contribute to Flamemaster's sales and earnings growths in the months ahead.

The Flamemaster Corp.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	July 30, 1990	July 30, 1989	July 30, 1990	July 30, 1989
Revenues	$1,379,331	$1,038,098	$4,053,176	$2,702,274
Income before income taxes	472,376	140,331	1,067,395	299,169
Income taxes	188,716	56,700	444,725	117,494
Income from continuing operations	283,660	83,631	622,670	181,675
Discontinued operations	--	--	--	28,808
Net income	283,660	83,631	622,670	210,483
Net income per share:				
Income from continuing operations	14 cents	4 cents	31 cents	9 cents
Income from discontinued operations	--	--	--	1 cent

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Joseph Mazin, 818/982-1650 or 213/875-1590.

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#90218b0112 08/06/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JOSE, CALIF. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Superior Court of Santa Clara Monday refused to grant Link Technologies and its parent company Wyse Technology of San Jose, a temporary injunction against the Sherwood Division of Inkel Technology Inc. which would have stopped Sherwood from marketing a recently announced line of alphanumeric terminal products.

Link Technologies filed the suit against Sherwood and its parent company, et al., June 1, 1990, alleging misappropriation of Link confidential information in conjunction with the design and development of the Sherwood 750 and 760 CRT-based terminal.

Link was unable to show the court that the Sherwood products contained any technology which was proprietary or unique to Link's product designs.

According to Phil Graham, senior vice president: ''Link's intention in filing its suit against us is clear. They wanted to stop us from entering the market and competing against them with what they perceived to be a competitively threatening product.

''As we said in the beginning, the suit is preposterous and without foundation. This organization worked very hard to develop this line of products which do have competitive advantages over the Wyse and Link product families.

''This attempted delay has been a nuisance, but has had no harmful effects on the introduction of our new product line, which is receiving very favorable reviews in the marketplace.''

Sherwood is an operating division of Inkel Technology Inc. The company specializes in the design and manufacture of CRT-based alphanumeric terminal systems and offers a line of products compatible with most major host computers. Sherwood's products are sold by a direct sales force and qualified resellers throughout the world.

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DALLAS (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Diversified Human Resources Group Inc. (NASDAQ:HIRE) announced today that a proposal by one of its shareholders, DH Partners L.P., to elect a new board of directors, which was presented today to a meeting of shareholders of the company, failed.

As a result, the current board of directors of the company remains in office. Walter E. Auch, Robert J. Gibson, D. Joy Perkins, David H. Segrest, Gary K. Steeds and Raymond E. Wooldridge are currently directors of the company.

Diversified Human Resources Group Inc. is in the temporary and permanent personnel industries specializing in the engineering/technical, data processing, accounting/finance, and administrative areas.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Cleveland-Cliffs Inc announced today it has entered into an agreement to sell its forest lands and associated assets in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan to Ben Benson of Accomac, Virginia for approximately $25 million. Closing of the transaction, which is subject to certain conditions, is expected in the third quarter with an after-tax gain of approximately $15 million or $1.28 per share. Cliffs will retain mineral interests on the lands.

M. Thomas Moore, chairman and chief executive officer, said ''This will complete our planned exit from the forest products business. Upon closing, Cliffs will have received $40 million proceeds from various forest products asset dispositions since 1988, which we believe substantially exceeds what could have been realized during the period by sale to a single buyer.'' Cliffs sold its timber mills for $10 million in 1988, Grand Island, now a national recreation area, for $3.3 million in 1989, and other selected land parcels for $2.3 million in the 1988-1989 period.

The lands are held by Cliffs Forest Products Company, a wholly owned subsidiary headquartered in Munising, Michigan, which had a 1989 operating profit of $630,000 from its harvesting operations. The 10 employees of Cliffs Forest Products Company will be offered employment by Benson, who intends to continue present operations. In 1987, Cliffs decided to concentrate on the iron ore business and began disposition of substantially all of its non-ferrous interests.

Subsidiaries of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc manage six iron ore mines in North America and Australia. The company holds a major iron ore reserve position in the United States and is a substantial iron ore merchant.

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PASCO, WA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Increases in the number of daily flights linking Seattle with both Portland and Spokane are featured in a United Express schedule adjustment effective Sept. 10, the airline announced Monday. United Express is operated by Pasco-based NPA Inc., a subsidiary of WestAir Holding Inc. (ASE: WAH).

United Express said that its prop-jet service between Seattle and Portland will increase from 20 to 23 roundtrips every business day, nearly a 14 percent increase in seats available on the route. Service on the Seattle-Spokane route will increase from seven to ten roundtrips, a 43 percent increase in available seats.

"This adjustment enables us to deploy our aircraft to routes which have clearly demonstrated a demand for increased capacity and flight frequency " said Craig Belmondo, the airline's president.

According to Belmondo, the increase in service on the two routes is made possible by an adjustment on its Spokane-Kalispell, Mont., route. United Express said that it will offer seasonal service on the route with flights operating from mid-May to mid-September each year.

The airline said that its new schedule between the two cities reflects the strong customer demand during the summer months and the significant decline in demand the remainder of the year.

NPA/United Express is a subsidiary of WestAir Holding Inc., headquartered in Fresno, Calif. WestAir Holding Inc. is the largest regional airline company in the United States, operating over 800 daily flights to 60 cities in 13 states and the District of Columbia. In early 1989, the company was named "Regional Airline of the Year" by Air Transport World Magazine.

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MENTOR, OH (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - RB&W Corp. (AMEX: RBW) announced sales for the second quarter and first half of 1990 were $47,001,000 and $89,595,000, respectively, as compared to $51,171,000 and $102,662,000 for the prior year periods.

Net sales for the second quarter and first half 1990 were down from the prior year's record highs due to weaker transportation markets and the sale of the Powdered Metal Products Division (PMP) in August 1989.

Net income (loss) for the respective 1990 periods was $1,136,000 or 22 cents per share and ($3,336,000) or (66 cents) per share. Net income for 1989 second quarter and first half was $1,686,000 or 33 cents per share and $3,294,000, or 65 cents per share.

Net income from operations was down due to the lower sales and the sale of PMP (discussed above). The 1990 year-to-date loss is due to a $4.5 million charge recorded in the 1990 first quarter for the closing of the company's

Cleveland plant.

John J. Lohrman, chairman and chief executive officer, said RB&W was experiencing an improved sales trend, especially in the company's manufacturing segment for which sales rebounded 20 percent over the prior quarter.

Lohrman also stated that union contracts were successfully negotiated at the company's Toronto; Kent, Ohio; and Chicago and Rock Falls, Ill. plants. In addition, he indicated that the company had completed $30 million in debt refinancing on favorable terms with existing lenders.

RB&W Corp. is a leading industrial company engaged in the manufacture and distribution of cold formed parts. With 145 years of experience, it is one of the oldest and largest companies in the metal forming industry.

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ROSWELL, N.M. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Hondo Oil & Gas Co. (ASE:HOG) Monday reported net income of $892,000, or 7 cents per share, for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared with net income of $1,161,000, or 9 cents per share, for the same period of the last fiscal year.

The company reported net income of $2,256,000, or 17 cents per share, for the first nine months of the current fiscal year, compared with a loss of $8,342,000, or 65 cents per share, for the same period of the last fiscal year.

Robert O. Anderson, chairman and chief executive officer, said that the company's Fletcher refinery ran at capacity during the quarter and operated profitably. The company's oil and gas operations were profitable despite depressed oil and gas prices during the period.

Anderson said the company expects positive results from increased drilling in the fourth quarter and continuing profits from refining and marketing operations. Also, the recent rise in oil prices is expected to have a positive effect on profits in the remainder of the fiscal year.

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EAST HANOVER, NJ (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Ultimate Corp. (NYSE:ULT) Monday said that its board of directors has authorized the company's

repurchase of shares of its common stock.

The exact number of shares to be repurchased has not been determined and will be dependent in part on the market price of the company's common shares, according to the announcement by Ultimate Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Michael J. O'Donnell.

''As a result of the overall decline in the stock market and its resultant impact on our share price, we believe our shares are decidedly undervalued. This is an excellent opportunity for the company to repurchase shares of its stock at a very favorable price,'' O'Donnell said.

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FRANKTOWN, CO (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - DCX Inc., a manufacturer of high quality wire harnesses and cable assemblies for defense and industry applications, Monday announced profitable third quarter results as of June 30, 1990.

The company reported net income of $61,209 on $617,629 of sales for quarterly earnings of 2 cents per common share outstanding. This represents profit margins of 9.9 percent on third quarter net sales.

President John Anderson attributed third quarter performance, which entirely reversed current year operating losses, to close attention to core business and careful cost controls implemented upon his return as president and chief executive officer.

The company recently completed the hearings phase of the formal appeal process to the Department of Defense to reverse the termination for default actions on two of three significant government contracts for which the total claims of $6.7 million have been filed.

DCX Inc. also announced that Frederick G. Beisser recently accepted the position of chief financial officer, shortly after the departure of James Kirby. Beisser is a Colorado Certified Public Accountant and brings extensive experience in the defense sector to the company. His previous positions include controller and financial management responsibilities with the U.S. Air Force around the world.

He was deeply involved in financial planning for the Ground Launched

Cruise Missile program in Europe and was a member of the four nation operating committee overseeing the NATO air combat training range in Sardinia. Most recently Beisser headed the Budget and Cost Analysis Office at the Air Force Accounting and Finance Center in Denver.

He holds an MBA from Golden Gate University in San Francisco and has diplomas from the Air War College and the Air Command and Staff College. An active member of the Colorado Society of CPAs, he is vice chairperson of the CPAs in Industry, Government and Education (CPAIGE) committee and is a member of the board of directors of Senior Support Services, a Denver nonprofit organization.

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PICKERINGTON, Ohio (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - R.G. Barry Corp. (AMEX:RGB) today reported a loss of $3,428,000, or 92 cents for the second quarter ended June 23, 1990.

Last year in the second quarter the company had a loss of $1,617,000, or 44 cents per share.

Second quarter sales totaled $10,339,000 vs. $14,683,000 in the second quarter of 1989.

For the first half Barry lost $6,079,000, or $1.63 per share vs. $1,584,000, or 43 cents per share in 1989. Six month sales were $20,423,000 against $34,521,000 for the comparable period last year.

''We continued to feel the impact of the softening in the stretch slipper market during the second quarter,'' said Gordon Zacks, chairman and chief executive officer. ''In most classes of stores, retailers ended 1989 with an excess of stretch slipper inventory. Although we are a secondary supplier of stretch products, many retailers opted to not order additional non-stretch goods until the excess stretch slipper inventory was reduced.

''We also continued to feel the effects of lost low margin, high volume mass merchandise business. The business was temporarily sacrificed last year when we faced production limitations. Those capacity limitations have been corrected and we expect to recapture much of the lost volume during the second half of 1990 and the first half of 1991.

''The company's already successful boxed giftable slipper business is expected to increase in the second half as stores convert space from the declining stretch slipper category to the growing boxed giftable slipper

classification.

''As the leader in boxed giftable slippers, our business has been and will continue to be heavily influenced by Christmas gift buying. Approximately 75 percent of our annual sales take place in the second half. This year will be no exception.

''Despite the very disappointing first half, we expect a good fall season and remain confident about the future.''

R.G. Barry Corp. is the world's largest manufacturer and marketer of soft washable slippers and footwear for at and around the home. Its brand lines include Dearfoams, Madye's, Snug Treds and slipper products under the licensed Capezio and Cannon names.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Semiconductor Equipment and Materials International Monday forwarded a proposal to CoCom to link export controls on semiconductor equipment and materials to decontrolled end products.

The board of directors of SEMI, representing 1,400 companies from Europe, Japan and North America, unanimously adopted the initiative at its annual planning meeting. If adopted by CoCom, the three important technology sectors of manufacturing, components and end products would, for the first time, share a consistent export control rationale.

''Computers, work stations and telecommunication systems which contain advanced semiconductors are either being exported to Eastern Europe, or soon will be. Our industry believes it no longer makes sense to maintain controls on manufacturing tools materials associated with this level of technology,'' observed William H. Reed, president of SEMI.

Reed explained that the SEMI proposal was developed in response to higher than expected levels of technology found in Eastern Europe and because governments were not acting quickly enough to revise export control regulations.

''SEMI's proposal is a simple concept and would be easy to implement. It obviates the need to reconcile many different governmental positions,'' he added.

The SEMI proposal provides a natural, dynamic indexing mechnanism, linking the level of manufacturing products decontrolled to the level of devices.

Copies of the proposal were sent to all 16 nations making up CoCom. CoCom is a multinational organization, based in Paris, that regulates export controls on strategic products.

SEMI is an international organization representing the $20 billion semiconductor equipment and materials industry. Headquartered in Mountain View, Calif., SEMI has offices in Brussels, Belgium; London; Seoul, Korea; Tokyo and Washington.

The board of directors of Semiconductor Equipment and Materials International recommends to CoCom that the level of export control restrictions on semiconductor equipment and materials be coupled to the availability of the most advanced semiconductor devices contained in decontrolled end products. Unanimously adopted on July 24, 1990.

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CARROLLTON, TEXAS (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Westcott Communications Inc. (NASDAQ:WCTV), operator of the Law Enforcement Television Network (LETN) and the Automotive Satellite Television Network (ASTN), Monday reported net income of $418,000, or 5 cents per share, for the three months ended June 30, 1990, as compared to a net loss of $55,000, or 1 cent per share, for the like quarter of 1989.

Revenues for the second quarter of 1990 were $5,466,000, as compared to $3,663,000 for the like quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, Westcott Communications had net income of $473,000, or 6 cents per share, on revenues of $10,705,000, as compared to net income of $125,000, or 2 cents per share, on revenues of $7,323,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

As of June 30, 1990, there were approximately 4,600 and 1,650 revenue sites for ASTN and LETN, respectively.

The company attributed the higher second quarter earnings as compared to second quarter 1989 to the increased number of revenue producing LETN subscribers.

LETN was formed in December 1988, began trial broadcasting on May 5, 1989, and on July 3, 1989 began transmission on its regular 24-hour per weekday schedule.

No fees were charged to subscribers until full-time broadcasting commenced. As of June 30, 1990, approximately 1,800 law enforcement agencies were subscribers to LETN.

Subscription fees which range from $288 to $588 per month, depending on the size of the agency, commence from the date subscribers begin receiving the programming.

As of June 30, 1990, approximately 5,100 dealerships were subscribers to ASTN.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Dividends for BankAmerica Corporation's (BAC) common and preferred stocks were declared by the corporation's Board of Directors at its meeting here Monday. The amounts were $0.25 per share for common stock; $0.86875 for Series A preferred stock; $1.50 for Series B preferred; $0.5625 for BAC's Special Series preferred.

The common stock dividend will be paid on September 10, 1990, to shareholders of record August 22, 1990. Dividends on the three series of preferred stock will be paid on August 31, 1990 to shareholders of record August 16, 1990.

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TULSA, Okla. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Tulsa-based ONEOK Inc. announced Monday that it has settled another take-or-pay lawsuit out of court.

PSEC Inc., of Oklahoma City, and others had filed the lawsuit in the U.S. District Court in Oklahoma County for an unspecified amount.

The lawsuit, which involved a number of wells in Haskell and Pittsburg counties in Oklahoma, was orginally filed two years ago against ONEOK Inc. and its Oklahoma Natural Gas Co. division.

Terms of the settlement were not disclosed.

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AMERICAN FORK, Utah (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - TEL electronics inc. (NASDAQ:TELS) announced Monday that it has added a complete hotel/motel property management system to its product line.

This announcement followed an agreement TEL reached with an established and innovative software vendor.

The management system, called INN-FRONT, complements existing TEL products and is targeted for sale to hotel/motel properties having from 25 to 250+ rooms. It includes automated front desk, reservations, telephone call management and other required functions, including a variety of posting interface options. The call management function is accomplished in software, but the property may also elect to substitute stand-alone hardware.

The system will be marketed through both the existing TEl dealer base and as direct sales to hotels/motels, many of which already utilize TEL telephone call management products.

''Close to 80 percent of TEL's business comes from sales to the lodging industry,'' said LaVell Kennington, vice president of marketing. ''We added the INN-FRONT to our product line in response to the requests of these customers for a low-cost, high-quality property management system. Our customers are very satisfied with our past products and so we are optimistic about the sales potential the INN-FRONT system has to our current end-users.''

TEL electronics inc. designs, produces and markets proprietary microprocessor-based telephone call accounting, telephone management, line scanners and other telecommunications systems. TEL also markets voice mail/processing systems and automated telephone attendants. All of TEL's products are designed for use by the lodging industy, professional firms, government agencies and general business organizations.

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HONOLULU (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Matson Navigation Co.'s 3.6 percent

general rate increase, which became effective March 10, 1990, has been found ''just and reasonable'' in an initial decision by Administrative Law Judge Norman D. Kline, Federal Maritime Commission.

Judge Kline states his decision was based on ''reliable, probative and credible evidence presented by 16 expert witnesses'' on issues set forth by the commission for determination.

One of the key issues in the decision concerned whether ''Matson has an unreasonable amount of excess vessel capacity or has imprudently overinvested in an unreasonably anticompetitive way.''

Judge Kline found: ''The record rather shows that Matson has acquired vessels and improved its facilities in order to maintain first-rate service in response to the reasonably foreseeable needs of its customers and to maintain its position as the premier carrier serving the trade.''

Judge Kline stated in his decision: ''The most important and difficult issue concerns what rate of return should Matson be allowed to seek to earn in the test year.'' In the test year ending March 31, 1991, Matson calculates its 3.6 percent general rate increase will earn a 10.58 percent rate of return.

Judge Kline commented that, ''in view of the definite upsurge in competition,'' Matson would be allowed to seek to earn a rate of return as high as 12.68 to 12.93 percent. He also noted that Matson ''will probably not even earn what the average U.S. manufacturing corporation was able to earn in recent past period (11.93 percent).''

While parties opposing Matson's rate increase sought to limit the company's rate of return to the 9.00 to 10.00 percent range, Judge Kline determined: ''These returns are so low that they even fall below Matson's embedded cost of debt and, if a cost-of-capital test can be used for comparison purposes, it can be seen that such low rates of return would probably adversely affect Matson's ability to attract capital contrary to fundamental principles of rate-making law.''

Exceptions to the initial decision are due August 21 and responses to the exceptions are due August 31. The final decision by the Federal Maritime Commission is due November 5.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Two top officers of PG&E Properties Inc. have been elected by the board of directors of PG&E Enterprises.

Alan W. Beringsmith was elected president and chief executive officer of PG&E Properties and Larry L. Asera was elected vice president -- project development.

Both positions are new and both elections were effective Aug. 1.

PG&E Properties is a wholly owned subsidiary of PG&E Enterprises, the unregulated business unit of Pacific Gas and Electric Co. PG&E Properties is engaged in real estate development in Northern and Central California.

Beringsmith, 45, was formerly vice president -- corporate development and treasurer of PG&E Enterprises. Prior to that he held a series of positions with PG&E, and was assistant treasurer and manager of banking and money management before joining PG&E Enterprises when it was created in 1988.

He earned bachelor's and master's degrees in economics at California State University, Sacramento, before joining PG&E in 1973 as a rate economist.

Asera, 42, has been in real estate development in Yolo County for 10 years. He is a former Vallejo City Councilman and former member of the Solano County Board of Supervisors. He earned a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the University of California, Berkeley, and an MBA from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Mason Willrich, president and chief executive officer of PG&E Enterprises and board chairman of PG&E Properties, said, ''This action confirms our strong commitment to the real estate development business in Northern and Central California.''

Beringsmith added: ''The Northern and Central California economy is expected to grow, and PG&E properties is well positioned to participate in that growth. We will create projects that preserve or enhance environmental values and benefit the commmunities where they are located.''

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SAN JOSE, Calif. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Businessland Inc. will hold a media and industry analyst teleconference to announce its fourth quarter and year-end financial results on Tuesday, Aug. 7, at 9 a.m. PDT, 11 a.m. CDT and 12 p.m. EDT.

The telephone number to call to participate in the teleconference is 415/896-0481. Please call at least five minutes prior to the designated time.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - AMOCO (U.K.) Exploration Co. and its partners Monday announced a gas discovery in the southern basin area of the U.K. North Sea, approximately 25 miles east of Flamborough Head.

The discovery well 42/28b-5 was tested from two separate intervals at stabilized flow rates of 30 million cubic feet of gas per day and 37 million cubic feet of gas per day, respectively.

The 42/28b-5 well was drilled to a total depth of 9,280 feet in 173 feet of water. It is six miles east of the 42/28a-3 Wollaston gas discovery, which was announced in 1989, and within 10 miles of the Frobisher gas discovery in block 47/3b, announced in 1987. Both discoveries are in licenses operated by AMOCO.

According to Charles W. Carr, president of AMOCO (U.K.) Exploration Co.: ''AMOCO and its partners have an active exploration program to find new reserves of natural gas in the southern North Sea. This discovery provides further encouragement and support for this effort.''

AMOCO (U.K.) Exploration Co. is operator and holds 30.77 percent interest in this U.K. 10th round license area. Other working interest owners are Gas Council (Exploration) Ltd., 30.77 percent; Amerada Hess Ltd., 23.08 percent; and North Sea Inc., 15.38 percent.

AMOCO (U.K.) Exploration Co. is an affiliate of AMOCO Corp.

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ST. GEORGE, Utah (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - SkyWest Inc. (NASDAQ:SKYW) Monday reported record net income of $2 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared with $1.7 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

Net income per share was 38 cents for the quarter compared with 34 cents for the same period last year. Operating income was up 31.4 percent to $3.3 million.

Jerry C. Atkin, president and chief executive officer of the regional airline, said ''Our record quarter performance was attributable to strong yields in April and May. Both our Salt Lake City and Los Angeles hubs continue to do well and our passengers

connecting with Delta Air Lines are at an all time high.''

SkyWest Inc. is the parent company of SkyWest Airlines, a regional airline operating as the Delta Connection to 43 cities in eight Western states. SkyWest stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol SKYW.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - IntelliCorp. Inc. (NASDAQ:INAI) a leader in knowledge systems development and delivery software, Monday reported a net loss of $2,142,000, or 28 cents per share, for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares to a net profit of $394,000, or 5 cents per share, for the comparable quarter a year ago. Fourth quarter revenues were $4,399,000, compared to $6,001,000 reported for the like period a year earlier.

For the fiscal year, the company reported a net loss of $826,000, or 11 cents per share, on revenues of $22,762,000, compared to a net profit of $914,000, or 12 cents per share, on revenues of $21,963,000 for the like period a year earlier.

Thomas Kehler, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: ''We are in the midst of introducing our new KAPPA product line and are seeing a greater than anticipated slow-down in sales of our existing KEE product line.

''Going forward, substitution of KAPPA product sales for originally projected sales of the KEE line will make revenue and earnings difficult to predict during the first half of fiscal 1991. On the positive side, the target market for the new product family is a significantly larger mainstream application development market.

''We are pleased by the initial market performance of the first offering in this family -- KAPPA PC, which began shipping during the last month of the fourth quarter.

''We demonstrated the second offering in this family, the PROKAPPA system

at an industry conference in Boston last week; the response to this product, which will be available for general delivery during the second quarter, was very encouraging.''

IntelliCorp develops, markets and supports industry-leading knowledge system products, software development tools and advanced engineering and manufacturing application solutions.

The company's customers span all industries, including financial services, automotive, aerospace, telecommunications, chemical, government, energy, manufacturing and engineering.

IntelliCorp products are marketed through a combination of the company's direct sales force and its authorized dealers, resellers OEMs and VARs. Headquarterd in Mountain View, IntelliCorp has 225 employees and offices throughout the United States, as well as in Europe and Asia.

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CHERRY HILL, NJ (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - THE SCORE BOARD, INC. (NASDAQ Symbol: BSBL), Monday announced it has signed a licensing agreement to manufacture, market and distribute Captain Planet and the Planeteers trading cards.

Score Board has signed a licensing agreement with DIC Merchansiding, Inc. and Turner Broadcasting System (TBS Productions, Inc.) for the right to sell and distribute trading cards featuring Captain Planet and the Planeteers throughout the United States, its territories and possessions. The initial term of the renewable agreement expires on December 31, 1992.

Captain Planet and the Planeteers is an ecology minded weekly cartoon series which is scheduled to debut in September on the Turner Broadcasting System (TBS) and in syndication. The show's cartoon characters will feature the voices of such major stars as Sting, Whoopi Goldberg, James Coburn, Martin Sheen and Meg Ryan, among others. The cards are scheduled to be introduced in early 1991. Commenting on the agreement, Paul Goldin, Chairman and CEO of Score Board, stated, ''Captain Planet and the Planeteers is a step forward in the Company's plan to diversify from traditional sports trading cards and memorabilia into other specialty segments of the entertainment industry.''

THE SCORE BOARD, INC. is one of the largest distributors of baseball cards and sports-related memorabilia. It also markets the Classic Major League Baseball board game and World Wrestling Federation (WWF) trading cards through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Classic Games, Inc.

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ALAMEDA, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Ingres Corp. (NASDAQ:RELY) Monday became the first company to offer a heterogeneous distributed database management system (DBMS) that automatically ensures information at multiple sites remains consistent after being updated by any type of transaction.

The new capability, automatic two-phase commit, is built into the latest release of INGRES/STAR and allows programmers to easily create more flexible distributed database applications.

INGRES/STAR allows any transaction to update information stored at any site. The same transaction can, without modification, update information stored at a single site or at multiple sites. STAR also performs automatic recovery management to ensure related information stays consistent in the event of database, network or computer failure.

Automatic two-phase commit ensures the integrity of transactions that, for example, span multiple warehouse locations. When items are shipped from one warehouse to another, the databases at each site must be updated in the same transaction to show the change in inventory at each location.

If an error occurs at either site while the transaction is in progress, the inventory system may record an inaccurate number of items on hand. Two-phase commit is required to ensure that both databases remain consistent. With INGRES/STAR, this is automatic and transparent to both the programmer and the end user.

''Ingres is the only portable database vendor offering this capability today,'' said Eric Wasiolek, manager of distributed INGRES product marketing. ''Programmers have the choice of trying to do the work themselves, or using distributed INGRES and letting the system do the work for them.''

The automatic two-phase commit feature is built directly into INGRES/STAR. Other implementations of two-phase commit currently on the market are ''programmatic,'' requiring programmers to anticipate all transaction requests users may submit to the system in advance (limiting the number and type of transactions that can be run) and manually recover databases when they fail during or after transactions commit.

Release 6.3 of INGRES/STAR is part of Ingres' second generation

distributed DBMS which includes global optimization for the efficient collection and reporting of data at multiple sites, and a global data dictionary to simplify the management of distributed data.

Ingres Corp. is a world leader in information integration products for mission-critical applications. The company's primary product is the INGRES relational database management system (RDBMS).

Installed on 10,000 manufacturing and enterprise-wide commercial systems worldwide, and available on 40 types of computers including PCs and UNIX workstations, the INGRES RDBMS enables organizations to quickly access data spanning a variety of computer systems connected in a network.

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HERCULES, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc. (ASE:BIO.A/BIO.B) Monday reported that sales for the first half of 1990 were up 18 percent over the first half of 1989 and established a new record.

Sales were up in all three segments of the company's business with diagnostic products continuing to show particular strength. However, lower-than-expected shipments in research products and analytical instruments reduced first-half earnings to 73 cents per share from the 78 cents per share reported last year.

Sales in the second quarter were a record $68.8 million. Earnings in the second quarter were 26 cents per share.

Assessing the prospects for the balance of the year, the company said that the uncertain economic outlook and delays in the release of government funded research grants were leading to slower-than- anticipated growth in sales of research products and analytical instruments, but that in other areas of the company's business, particularly diagnostics, sales growth was ahead of expectations.

Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc. is a multinational manufacturer and distributor of research products, clinical diagnostics and analytical instruments based in Hercules.

BIO-RAD LABORATORIES INC.
Operating Results
(in thousands, except per-share data)

Second Quarter	Six Months

	Ended June 30,		Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$ 68,755	$ 60,036	$136,872	$116,378
Income from operations	4,899	6,057	12,025	12,726
Net income	$ 2,069	$ 2,742	$ 5,713	$ 5,909
Earnings per share	26 cents	36 cents	73 cents	78 cents
Weighted average shares	7,844	7,625	7,818	7,618

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BILLERICA, MA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - BTU International Inc. (NASDAQ:BTUI) Monday announced that it signed contracts with three manufacturers in the past two months, totaling $1.4 million, to provide its new equipment for manufacturing surface mount pc assemblies without producing ozone-damaging chloroflurocarbons (CFCs).

Conventional surface mount assembly processes require a cleaning step that produces CFCs, which are hazardous to the environment. BTU's new equipment called ''Turbo Reflow Solder System'' (TRS), completely eliminates the need for a cleaning step.

''BTU's novel approach includes reflowing a special synthetic-based solder paste in both reactive or standard inert nitrogen atmospheres within a controlled-atmosphere furnace. Because solder flux is consumed by this reflow process, no harmful residue or waste is produced.

''Our new system will yield printed circuit boards as clean as those processed through a solvent cleaner,'' said Paul van der Wansem, BTU's president and chief executive officer. ''Additionally and most importantly, our new system completely eliminates the need to deflux surface mount assemblies and then dispose of hazardous chemicals, solvents or contaminated water.

''Not only do electronics manufacturers have an important environmental reason for using our new product,'' added van der Wansem. ''They also will have economic incentives, because our system is less expensive than the traditional multi-step reflow-and-cleaning process.''

The company expects the worldwide market opportunity for its new product to grow to $168 million by 1993, up from an estimated $85 million market in 1989.

BTU International is one of the principal suppliers worldwide of advanced wafer-processing systems which are used in the manufacture of integrated circuits. In addition, BTU is the leading international supplier of thermal-processing systems used to package and seal integrated circuits.

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FULLERTON, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Beckman Instruments (NYSE:BEC) and Amersham International plc have entered into an agreement which includes the exclusive and worldwide right for Beckman to market and distribute Amersham's ''Autoreader'' DNA Sequencing Autoradiogram Analyzer.

The Autoreader was developed jointly with the Medical Research Council, Cambridge, England.

The agreement will enable Beckman to sell the Autoreader alone or in combination with its own equipment. Amersham will supply compatible reagents and accessories and the two companies will collaborate on promotion and seminar support.

Michael T. O'Neill, vice president of the Bioanalytical Systems Group at Beckman Instruments, said: ''We are delighted to be associated with Amersham and in particular because of the complementary nature of our businesses. The Autoreader will enhance Beckman's already-substantial market position with ''BIOMEK'' for automated laboratory procedures in DNA research.''

Says Ron Long, commercial director of Amersham International, ''By working together, both companies can capitalize on the growing demand for automated systems and reagents in the DNA-sequencing sector of the life-science market much faster than by their own individual efforts.''

Beckman Instruments is a global leader who develops, manufactures and markets automated systems and supplies used in biological laboratories for research, quality control and clinical diagnostics. The company has 7,100 employees in 36 facilities throughout the world and operates in more than 120 countries.

Amersham International, the life-science and healthcare group, is a public limited company located in Buckinghamshire, England.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - NoRad Corp. Monday introduced the NoRad SuperShield, a radiation, glare and reflection shield designed for 19-inch and two-page display monitors which have a curved bezel, or housing, surrounding the glass display.

The SuperShield is optimized for the Sony 1950 and fits the SuperMac 19-inch Display, Radius Two-Page Display, RasterOps 19-inch Display, MegaGraphics Rival, Hitachi Superscan Plus, Sigma Laserview, and other similarly sized and shaped monitors.

Glare and reflections are eliminated by the NoRad SuperShield's high-resolution, precision monofilament mesh, metalized to drain static and block radiation. It is grounded to discharge the static electric field, which attracts dust and ambient particles to the VDT operator's skin and eyes.

Like other NoRad radiation shields, the SuperShield provides broad spectrum electromagnetic radiation attenuation: better than 99.99 percent E-field (electric) radiation above 20 kiloHertz, and better than 50 percent of H-field (magnetic) radiation above 30 kiloHertz.

NoRad Shields have been independently tested to U.S. Military Specification and certified as the most effective at blocking VDT radiation of the many products claiming the ability to block VDT electromagnetic radiation.

According to Bruce Sperka, director of marketing, the growing demand for higher-resolution, larger displays led to development of the SuperShield. ''VDT radiation levels increase with the size of the display, the level of resolution, and with color.

''And, as larger monitors, especially those with curved bezels, become more popular, it made sense for us to extend our product line to take advantage of the two-page display market,'' Sperka said. ''Certainly, demand from our current customers alone warranted development of the SuperShield.''

The NoRad SuperShield measures 17-3/8 inches by 13-3/4 inches from frame to frame. The usable display area is an inch less in each dimension. The fabric within the frame is cut on a bias to eliminate moire patterns which can be a problem on some color monitors. Attached to the bezel by velcro tabs, the SuperShield's frame is shaped to conform to the horizontal

curvature of the bezel.

Suggested retail price for the SuperShield is $349. It is available now directly through NoRad Corp. and authorized dealers and distributors.

NoRad is the leading developer of VDT radiation-blocking products designed for computer and terminal operators. For more information, contact NoRad Corp., 1549 11th St., Santa Monica, Calif. 90401. Telephone: 800/262-3260. Fax: 213/458-6397.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Mitchell Rubenstein, president of the Sci-Fi Channel, one of cable television's most talked-about and anticipated new basic services, announced Monday that the Channel's investment banking team now includes the prominent investment banking firms of Lehman Brothers (a division of Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc.) and Salomon Brothers Inc.

Two of the investment community's most respected firms, they will be raising equity capital for the new basic cable service.

''The Sci-Fi Channel is a truly original programming idea, one that I am confident will prove exciting and attractive to investors as well as to prospective advertisers and viewers,'' said Frederic M. Seegal, co-head of Salomon Brothers Corporate Finance Department.

''Working with the Channel since inception has been a rewarding and exciting experience. We look forward to completing the financing which will transform this original idea to a new reality in cable television,'' said James A. Stern, head of Lehman Brothers Investment Banking and Merchant Banking Groups.

Commenting on the announcement, Rubenstein said: ''Both investment banking firms have a remarkable track record of advising emerging media companies through their development into large-scale media enterprises. The support of these eminent investment banking firms evidences the enormous strength and viability of the Sci-Fi Channel concept and business plan.''

The Sci-Fi Channel is a basic cable service designed to provide the broadest spectrum of program choices ever brought to television in the genres of science fiction, fantasy and horror -- 24 hours a day, 7 days a week -- and will enlist the creative skills of some of the television and

motion-picture industries' most stellar talents.

As members of Sci-Fi Channel's board of advisors, Star Trek creator Gene Roddenberry is advising the Channel along with famed science fiction author Isaac Asimov, who also serves as the Channel's official spokesperson.

Already on the drawing board are plans for an original drama series created by Isaac Asimov, a comic-book show and a haunted house game show.

The Channel will also show science fiction and horror films and series, and recently acquired the exclusive rights to all 1,225 episodes of ''Dark Shadows,'' the classic gothic soap opera, the all-new version of which will be reappearing as a prime-time series on NBC during the upcoming season.

The Sci-Fi Channel has announced major tie-ins with Bantam Doubleday Dell Publishing Group Inc. (for the publication of books on the Channel's programming), Omni Magazine (for joint advertising) and Fan Clubs Inc., the publishers of the Star Trek Official Fan Club Magazine (for a Sci-Fi Channel Fan Magazine).

Rubenstein noted that the Sci-Fi Channel is receiving fan mail at the rate of 150 to 200 letters per week, and that Sci-Fi Channel Fan Clubs are sprouting up all over the country.

The Sci-Fi Channel has contracted protected transponder space on a General Electric satellite and will launch with 5-7 million subscribers.

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The federal Food and Drug Administration has accepted for filing the pre-market approval (PMA) application from Irvine-based Advanced Interventional Systems for its DYMER 200+ Excimer Laser Angioplasty System.

''We at AIS feel proud of our record of 'firsts' in the challenging field of laser coronary angioplasty,'' said Robert Wall, AIS president and chief executive officer.

''While we are excited at being the first company to receive acceptance for filing of our PMA on Excimer Laser Coronary Angioplasty, we also recognize that this is the initial step in a very complex process of proving our devices 'safe and effective.' Although the Food and Drug

Administration has high standards and strict rules and regulations, we are hopeful that our smooth progress will continue.''

More than 1,000 ELCA cases have been performed with the AIS system at leading cardiovascular centers nationwide including:

-- Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles

-- Emory University Hospital, Atlanta

-- Georgetown University Hospital, Washington

-- The Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn.

-- South Miami Hospital, Miami

During the procedure, laser energy is channeled through a fiber-optic catheter and administered in pulses, until it literally breaks down the plaque into a gaseous liquid and micro-miniature particulate form that is carried through the bloodstream and eliminated in the body's natural waste system.

Dr. Frank Litvack, co-director of the cardiac catheterization lab at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, said the ongoing clinical studies of the AIS laser system show that ''ELCA's potential advantage is in treating conditions that are not effectively addressed by PTCA 'balloon angioplasty' -- specifically, unfavorable lesions that may be long, diffuse, ostial or calcified.''

The excimer energy used in these clinical trials is a ''cool'' laser. Although the excimer is capable of cutting through steel, its cool energy makes a clean, precise cut without significant temperature change to adjacent tissue.

AIS, founded in 1986, is a technological leader in the development of laser systems for cardiovascular applications.

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SAVANNAH, GA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Byrd Cookie Co. of Savannah, Ga., recently won first place at the International Fancy Food Show in New York.

The Key Lime Cooler was selected 1990s NASFT (National Association for Specialty Food Trade) Products Awards WINNER for Most Outstanding Dessert

from among 400 international entries.

Dessert entries ranged from elaborate cakes, pies, tortes and other exotic specialties. The Key Lime Cooler received 99 out of 100 votes from the judges. Byrd Cookie Co. President Benny Curl said, ''Considering the stiff competition, winning this award is very exciting. It is also personally gratifying to me, because the cookie was my original idea.''

Benny Curl is the grandson-in-law to company founder B.T. Byrd Sr. Byrd Cookie Co. began as and remains a family business, with the delicious cookie recipes handed down by one generation to the next.

Founded in 1924 in the Old Fort Section of Savannah on St. Julien and Habersham streets, the first cookies were mixed and cut by hand, cooked in black iron pans, packed bulk in wooden boxes and delivered to retailers in a Model ''T'' Ford. Byrd Products are now baked and sold in the Cookie Shanty on Norwood Avenue, Savannah, and available at gift and specialty stories nationwide.

Original favorites are still best sellers, including Benne Wafers (cookies) and Benne Bits (cocktail bits). Each of these and many other Byrd products are made with Benne seeds, sesame seeds originally brought to America by African slaves for good luck.

The Key Lime Cooler is the most recent addition to the Byrd Cookie Line. Benny Curl wanted a cookie resembling his favorite dessert, Key Lime Pie. Once baked and dipped in confectioner's sugar, the tart cookie was an instant success, outselling all other Byrd products. As winner of the NASFT Most Outstanding Dessert, the Key Lime Cooler's popularity can only continue to expand.

Look for more delicious products from the Byrd Cookie Co., now under development.

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CUPERTINO, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer, Inc. Monday announced a new comprehensive collection of Apple development tools for serious Macintosh programmers. E.T.O.: Essentials-Tools-Objects, which is distributed exclusively on CD-ROM, features the most widely used Apple development tools and printed final documentation. It is revised quarterly through a special update program.

E.T.O. includes Macintosh Programmer's Workshop (MPW), a powerful,

multilanguage development environment, as well as the MacApp object oriented application framework, which automatically handles standard Macintosh user interface features. The CD-ROM also provides tools for using 68000 assembly language and for sophisticated object-oriented programming under C++ or Object Pascal. Electronic versions of developer documentation, such as SpInside Macintosh (Inside Macintosh, Volumes 1-5), are also provided on the E.T.O. disk. Updates are automatically distributed four times a year through APDA.

''E.T.O. is an innovative way of providing our developers with a single packag that features the complete Apple development tools product line in a convenient format,'' said David Eyes, Manager, Development Tools Product Marketing. ''Additionally, the subscription update service makes it especially easy for our developers to stay current with the latest versions of development software.''

The complete E.T.O. starter package is available through APDA and is priced at $995. The package includes final version documentation for all E.T.O. tools and a year of updates.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Computer Sciences Corp. (CSC) has been awarded a $48 million contract from the General Services Administration (GSA) to provide system development and software support services for scientific and engineering applications within the GSA Pacific Zone.

The GSA Pacific Zone includes California, Arizona, Nevada, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Hawaii, Alaska, Guam and the Northern Marianna Islands.

CSC will provide a wide range of high-technology services to the GSA and other federal agencies whose applications fall within the areas of engineering, physics, science, and higher mathematics.

The anticipated services require a diversity of skills in a variety of information technology environments including detailed ADP system design, integration, prototyping, computer-aided software engineering, expert systems, applications software development, hardware assessment, independent verification and validation, computer operations, training, documentation and maintenance.

CSC will support multiple off-the-shelf and custom-designed hardware and software products to meet GSA's needs.

CSC's Applied Technology Division, with headquarters in Falls Church, will perform the work.

The contract will have headquarters in San Francisco with primary area offices located in San Diego; Ventura, Monterey and Sacramento, Calif.; and Bremerton, Wash.

The contract covers an initial one-year period with three one-year options.

With annual revenues of more than $1.5 billion, CSC is the largest independent professional services company in the computer industry. CSC has headquarters in El Segundo, Calif.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - RasterOps (NASDAQ:ROPS) Monday reported record sales and net income for the fiscal year and fourth quarter ended June 30.

For the year, sales were $46.4 million, up 84 percent from the $25.2 million in 1989. Net income for the year totaled $2.4 million, or 57 cents per share, up 697 percent from the $301,000, or 8 cents per share in 1989.

For the fourth quarter, sales were $13.3 million, an increase of 85 percent from the $7.2 million for the like period last year, and 14 percent from the third quarter ended March 31. Net income rose 675 percent to $790,000 from $102,000 in the fourth quarter of 1989, and 63 percent from $486,000 in the third quarter of 1990.

Earnings per share for the fourth quarter were 16 cents, compared to 3 cents for the like period last year, and 12 cents in the third quarter of 1990. Common shares and equivalents outstanding in the quarter were 5,006,000 shares compared to 3,940,000 for the 1989 period and 3,997,000 for the third quarter of 1990.

Kieth E. Sorenson, RasterOps' chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''Our strong fiscal 1990 financial performance reflects our continued leadership in bringing the most advanced and affordable color-imaging technology to the rapidly growing graphic arts display marketplace. Our

True Color products spurred our strong revenue growth throughout the year. In addition, in the fourth quarter we began shipping our new digital real-time video graphics product, Video ColorBoard 364.

''The ColorBoard 364 is the first product to put digital TV-in-a-window on the Apple Macintosh for under $2,000. With it, users can display TV or video images in 24-bit color, 'grab' frames from these input sources, and integrate the captured images in layout and design programs running simultaneously.

''We have also extended our 24-bit True Color Technology to the Sun SPARCstation and IBM PS/2 MicroChannel Architecture platforms, making RasterOps the only company that provides 24-bit True Color to multiple platforms,'' Sorenson said.

RasterOps is a leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of photorealistic graphics and color-imaging subsystems for Apple, Sun and IBM desktop computers used primarily for the graphic arts, publishing and related industries. In May, the company completed an initial public offering of 1,870,000 shares of common stock at $12 per share.

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SEATTLE (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Jay Jacobs Inc. (NASDAQ: JAYJ) Monday announced that sales for the month of July 1990 increased approximately 16 percent to $9.1 million from $7.9 million in July 1989.

Sales in comparable stores increased 5 percent for the month. For the five months ended July 31, 1990, sales increased 27 percent from $36.6 million to $46.4 million, while sales in comparable stores increased 16 percent for the same period.

Jay Jacobs sells fashion forward merchandise to young men and women through its 180 apparel stores located principally in regional shopping malls in 11 Western states and two Midwestern states.

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SUFFERN, NY (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Rapitech Systems, Incorporated (RSI) an industry leader in computer language conversion and platform migration Monday announced the completion of the porting of its Conversionware products, FORTRIX-C, COBLIX-C and VMS FORTRIX-C, to International Business Machine's (IBM) 370 Advanced Interactive Executive (AIX) operating system.

Earlier this year IBM and RSI announced the porting of RSI's technology to the RS/6000 Workstation running under the AIX operating system. With the completion of the 370/AIX porting effort, an IBM customer will now be able to port applications written in Fortran and Cobol to additional IBM platforms, such as the 9370, 43XX and 3090, thereby giving the customer a broader range of hardware choices.

Jeffery M. Tolk, RSI's President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, ''We view this as a very important step in the development of RSI's technology and in the industry's recognition of RSI's expertise. As a result of this technological achievement we will now be able to provide a much wider range of solutions to meet the customer's requirements.''

RSI is presently negotiating agreements with other vendors who compete in the mainframe and workstation market and has previously announced a Technology Agreement with Amdahl Corporation, a principal player in the plug compatible mainframe market place.

RSI is a leading developer of a series of language translation and migration tools, Conversionware, which translate proprietary dialects of Fortran, Cobol VMS-Fortran and other languages into industry standard 'C' language, 1977 ANSI Fortran and Ada language. In addition, the Company offers a full range of consulting services which include custom and turnkey translations on a total project management basis.

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Vernon Hills, Il (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Scotsman Industries, Inc. (NYSE: SCT) announced Monday that its subsidiary, Scotsman Group, Inc., has signed a letter of intent with ITV, a privately held manufacturer of ice machines headquartered in Valencia, Spain, providing for the acquisition of 75 percent of the shares of ITV by Scotsman Industries through subsidiary corporations, subject to completion of a definitive agreement and the arrangement of satisfactory financing, for approximately

$25 million.

The purchase price represents a multiple of 1.65 times sales and 11-12 times projected earnings. The current owners will retain a minority interest and continue to operate the company. Scotsman expects to close the transaction in the fourth quarter.

Organized in 1981, ITV is the largest manufacturer of ice machines in Spain, and one of the largest in Europe. Approximately 80 percent of ITV's sales are in spain, with the remaining 20 percent in other European countries. ITV's annual sales are approximately $20 million.

Commenting on the letter of intent, Richard C. Osborne, president and chief executive officer of Scotsman said, ''ITV is a perfect fit with our strategic plan to increase Scotsman's ice machine market share in Europe. This acquisition complements our two italian ice machine businesses resulting in three independent distribution networks in a market that is growing at 10 to 12 percent per year.''

Osborne concluded, ''Scotsman's new product technology, procurement synergy and knowledge of foreign markets will add significant value to ITV as it expands its export efforts.''

The acquisition will be financed through existing cash and additional borrowings with the increase in debt expected to be less than $5 million from the current level.

Scotsman Industries, Inc. is a market leader in the manufacture of commercial refrigeration products, with a primary market focus on the food service industry. The global manufacturing and marketing of ice machines is the largest component of Scotsman Industries' business.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Businessland Inc. (NYSE:BLI) reported fiscal year 1990 revenues of $1,353,634,000, and a net loss of $23,066,000, inclusive of a fourth quarter restructuring charge of $6 million, as compared to revenues of $1,188,741,000, and net income of $32,876,000, for fiscal year 1989.

The company reported a fully diluted net loss, before an extraordinary

item, of 80 cents per share for fiscal 1990, as compared to fully diluted net income of $1.04 per share for fiscal 1989.

The fiscal 1990 fully diluted net loss per share, after giving effect to the extraordinary item, was 76 cents.

For the fourth quarter ended June 30, revenue was $339,344,000, an increase of 5.2 percent over the fourth quarter last year of $322,553,000. The company posted a fourth quarter loss of $21,546,000, or 73 cents per share, inclusive of the restructuring charges, compared to net income of $7,407,000, or 23 cents per share, for the fourth quarter of last year.

In addition, Businessland announced its intention to restate the financial results reported for the second and third fiscal quarters of 1990 to reflect adjustments for accounting errors primarily related to expense accruals in the second quarter, and the recognition of vendor credits in the third quarter.

These adjustments, net of certain related tax effects, are expected to increase the net loss previously reported for the second and third fiscal quarters of 1990 to a total loss of $2,140,000, (7 cents per share) and $3,643,000, (12 cents per share), respectively.

The company stated that the fourth quarter loss principally reflected increased spare parts inventory reserves and other accruals, lower operating margins which were impacted by deferred vendor credits reflecting recent contract revisions and program changes, as well as operating losses in international operations and ComputerCraft.

In addition, the company took a restructuring charge of approximately $6 million as a results of its decision to close down some additional under-utilitzed facilities. The reported losses placed Businessland in violation of certain covenants of its $50 million outstanding senior notes. The company is in contact with its lenders. In addition, the company needs to improve its liquidity position in order to fund growth of its core business. Businessland said its previous decision to aggressively pursue worldwide expansion through acquisitions and internal growth, coupled with changing industry dynamics, strained the company's infrastructure and information systems.

''We are taking a critical look at our business and operating systems in the context of our business and the industry in order to allow Businessland to be positioned for future profitability and growth,'' said David A. Norman, Businessland chairman, president and chief executive officer.

''Our priority is to ensure that the fundamentals of the business are sound and that we recover our balance and strength in fiscal year 1991.''

Founded in 1982, Businessland Inc. is an international leader in the distribution, integration, and support of microcomputer and workstation systems for business.

The company integrates microcomputer products from selected manufacturers to create systems tailored to meet specific customer needs and provides the service and support to maximize their productivity.

Businesssland operates centers and branch offices in 50 major U.S. metropolitan markets, and in Great Britain, Canada, West Germany and Japan.

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MINNEAPOLIS, MN (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Tricord Systems Inc. Monday announced Novell has certified its high-performance super-server, the PowerFrame 40 to run NetWare 3.0.

This certification assures users that Novell's NetWare 3.0 will meet performance standards on the Tricord system.

In addition, within 30 days, NetWare 3.1 will also run on the PowerFrame 40; making the PowerFrame the first super-server to support this advanced operating system.

Novell encourages hardware vendors to assure proper operation of their machines in the NetWare environment, by submitting hardware for testing and certification. The PowerFrame 40 passed all tests without limitations including the dedicated server tests, bridge tests, and workstation tests.

The PowerFrame family was designed for local area networks and client/server computing. It incorporates the newest Intel 486 and 860 technologies to provide mainframe-like processing power. Its multiprocessor architecture supports large numbers of users and compute intensive applications.

Besides, NetWare, the PowerFrame supports other popular operating systems including Microsoft OS/2 and SCO Unix System V. These servers rival the power of a minicomputer by incorporating a high-performance system bus, multiple processors, mainframe-style intelligent I/O processors, and disk arrays into the machines.

Tricord Systems Inc. is a privately held company headquartered in Minneapolis, Minn. It was founded to design and manufacture a new

generation of network servers, based on industry standards, to meet the increasing performane and reliability requirements of LANs and client/server computing.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - It's history in the making: The first Swissair aircraft to fly to Philadelphia -- a Boeing 747-300 -- touches ground Monday at 5:30 p.m. at Philadelphia International Airport.

The opening of Swissair's ninth and newest gateway marks the first time that an international carrier will operate daily, direct service between Zurich, Switzerland, and Philadelphia. The new flight is an extension of the currently existing nonstop Swissair flight between Boston and Zurich, however, the Zurich-Boston flight schedule remains unchanged. Special Inaugural Bonus Mile Offer --

Swissair First and Business Class passengers who are members of the Delta Frequent Flyer, United Mileage Plus and USAir Frequent Traveler programs will earn an extra 2,500 miles for each one-way segment flown from Philadelphia to Zurich and Zurich to Philadelphia.

This special offer -- effective Aug. 6 through Dec. 31 -- is in addition to the regular mileage credit and applicable bonus miles. To qualify, tickets must be issued in the United States or Canada, and travel must originate in the United States or Canada. The Quick Meal --

Philadelphia Business Class passengers will also be able to opt for a ''Quick Meal'' -- newly created for business travelers who prefer a lighter, faster meal service.

The new meal option is a deluxe cold platter featuring an array of top quality fish and meats, such as cold lobster, smoked salmon, goose liver pate and Swiss cold cuts -- and includes salad, cheese and crackers, and dessert -- all served in one tray.

The ''Quick Meal'' -- also offered without seafood -- must be ordered at least 24 hours in advance, is available in Business Class

and can be served any time after departure from Boston. CNN Inflight News --

Passengers flying Swissair out of Philadelphia may enjoy a special Swissair weekday feature: 30-minute inflight news broadcasts from CNN's ''International Hour.'' The broadcast focuses on global events, is updated daily, contains no commercials and is aired immediately after takeoff from Boston in First, Business and Economy Class.

The inflight news service is also available on flights from Atlanta, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Montreal and Toronto. Flights originating in Zurich feature 30 minutes of highlights from CNN's ''Headline News.''

Swissair's worldwide service now includes nine cities in North America: Anchorage, Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, Montreal, New York, Toronto -- and as of Aug. 6, Philadelphia.

Three classes of service are offered on each of the 55 aircraft in Swissair's fleet, from Boeing 747s to its 85-passenger Fokker 100s. Swissair's fleet is among the youngest and most technologically advanced of all international airlines.

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TUCSON, AZ (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - American Southwest Mortgage Investments Corp. (AMEX:ASR) announced earnings for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $2,704,000, 19 cents per share, compared to $826,000, 6 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Earnings for the six months ended June 30, 1990 were $5,294,000, 37 cents per share, vs. $2,633,000, 18 cents per share, for the comparable period in 1989.

Jon Grove, chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''LIBOR rates continued to decline in July. At the current one-month LIBOR of approximately 8 percent, earnings for the second half of 1990 should continue in an upward trend.''

The higher 1990 earnings reflect lower short-term interest rates. The average one-month LIBOR incurred by the company during the second quarter of 1990 was 8.38 percent compared with 9.88 percent during the second quarter of 1989. The benefit was reduced by higher mortgage prepayment rates in the second quarter of 1990 than in the second quarter of 1989. Increases in mortgage prepayment rates typically reduce earnings. The earnings for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990 were

net of amortization of hedging costs of $864,000 and $1,678,000 respectively.

The company also announced that its estimated taxable income for the second quarter of 1990 was $3,607,000, 25 cents per share, bringing the year to date estimated taxable income to $7,390,000, 51 cents per share. The company has declared and paid dividends totalling 17 cents per share for the second quarter and 32 cents for the six months ended June 30, 1990. As a real estate investment trust, the company must distribute annually at least 95 percent of its annual taxable income as dividends to its stockholders.

The company also is pleased to announce that the United States District Court dismissed all four counts in the previously disclosed class action complaint. The company cannot assess whether the plaintiffs will attempt to appeal or seek modification of the U.S. District Court's ruling.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - RasterOps Corp. (NASDAQ:ROPS) Monday announced an OEM agreement with Digital Equipment Corp. (NYSE:DEC) to develop the first high-resolution color display capability combining 24-bit color graphics with on-screen television and video to be incorporated in Digital's growing family of RISC workstations.

First customer shipment of the 24-bit color display products to Digital is scheduled for the first quarter of 1991.

With this agreement, RasterOps continues its series of industry ''firsts'' in providing fully integrated 24-bit True Color displays with full-motion television/video capabilities to industry-leading platforms.

RasterOps is the only company that provides 24-bit color display products with live digital TV-in-a-window capability for multiple manufacturers' platforms, including its own line of high-resolution monitors.

The innovative frame-buffer and live video graphic products for Digital workstations will utilize RasterOps' live digital TV-in-a-window technology. This technology is also in RasterOps' recently introduced Video ColorBoard 364 graphic product, and allows the input and display on the workstation of live TV or video from any NTSC or S-Video source.

RasterOps Corp., with headquarters in Santa Clara, designs, manufactures and markets photorealistic color-imaging products primarily for the

graphic arts, printing, publishing and related industries.

Digital Equipment Corp., with headquarters in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of network computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

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DALLAS (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Chief Auto Parts, the first company to introduce free used motor oil recycling, Monday expanded its program with the addition of nearly 35 reclamation centers in Houston, San Antonio and Waco.

This brings the total number of Chief recycling centers to 180 in California, Arizona, Tennessee, Nevada and Texas.

Since Chief introduced this recycling program in November last year, over 100,000 gallons of used motor oil have been delivered to reclamation centers. Since one quart of motor oil can pollute 250,000 gallons of water, the program has saved a potential of 100 million gallons of water from contamination.

In addition to the oil recycling program, Chief Auto Parts recycles used auto batteries and through its S.A.F.E. program (Specially Adapted For The Environment). The company has introduced 36 environmentally safe products to customers.

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CAMARILLO, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Quad Design Technology Inc., a pioneer of advanced digital-circuit timing analysis software, has signed a distribution contract valued at $12 million with C.Itoh Techno-science Corp. (CTC), the premier Japanese vendor of electronic design automation

(EDA) products.

The agreement launches Quad Design's products into a Japanese EDA marketplace valued at $670 million in 1990 and predicted to grow at an extremely fast 200 percent rate in 1991.

Quad Design's contract with CTC comes just two months after it entered into a cooperative marketing relationship with the leading domestic EDA supplier, Mentor Graphics Corp.

With the top-ranking EDA players in both Japan and the United States selling its timing verification and signal integrity tools, Quad Design can point to rapid success for its recently instituted marketing partnership program, according to Larry Rubin, president of Quad Design.

''We've found the demand for advanced timing analysis software is outpacing that for EDA products overall by a wide margin because of the burgeoning international need for tools to support today's complex, high-speed designs,'' Rubin said.

''By selling Quad Design's tool set, we can give our customers the means to rapidly and automatically minimize timing errors and maximize system performance early in the design cycle -- before the building of hardware prototypes,'' said Kazuo Miyamoto, president of CTC.

A division of Japan's C.Itoh, Tokyo-based CTC serves as an importer and distributor of a wide range of EDA software and hardware, including engineering workstations made by Sun Microsystems Inc.

In 1989 CTC generated $470 million in revenue and currently holds a 30 percent share of the overall Japanese EDA market. It counts Mitsubishi, NEC, Sanyo and other major Japanese electronics vendors among its customers.

Founded in 1987 and based in Camarillo, Calif., Quad Design Technology Inc. is the pioneer of digital circuit timing-analysis software for complex, high performance circuits. The company's family of software tools provides manufacturers with accurate and detailed system timing information early in the electronic design cycle.

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AMSTELVEEN, NETHERLANDS (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - KLM reports traffic and capacity figures for July 1990 and the first four months of the current financial year.

KLM Royal Dutch Traffic and Capacity Figures
(In millions of tonmiles)
July (provisional)

	1990	1989	Growth percentage Scheduled flights
Passengers	167.8	155.1	+ 8
Freight	122.6	113.9	+ 8
Mail	4.2	4.2	+ 0
Charter flights	0.1	0.1	- 15
Total traffic	294.7	273.3	+ 8
Capacity available	406.0	375.2	+ 8
Load factor percentage	72.6	72.8	

April through July

	1990/91	1989/90	Growth percentage Scheduled flights
Passengers	581.0	544.2	+ 7
Freight	487.1	455.9	+ 7
Mail	17.4	17.9	- 3
Charter flights	0.8	1.2	- 31
Total traffic	1,086.3	1,019.2	+ 7
Capacity available	1,524.0	1,411.2	+ 8
Load factor	71.3	72.2	

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DALLAS (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Zfax Image Corp. (NASDAQ:ZFAXF) Monday announced financial results for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The increase in the average number of shares outstanding in the quarter ended June 30, 1990 was the result of the Company's initial public offering of 1,150,000 shares of common stock in September 1989.

Higher sales in the Company's facsimile equipment and supply operations resulted in increased revenues in the current quarter. The net loss in the quarter ended June 30, 1990 increased due to higher selling, general, and administrative expenses incurred in expanding the retail operation and

continued research and development costs associated with the Company's portable facsimile machine, the PF4003.

Harmon F. Hardy, Chief Executive Officer, commented, ''Production design on our portable fax machine is in the process of being finalized. Based on the reception the PF4003 met with at a major trade show last month, we are optimistic that our fax machine will be equally well received in the marketplace.

Zfax Image Corp. has developed a lightweight, portable 9600 baud facsimile machine, the PF4003. The Company also operates a retail store in Dallas, Texas, and shortly, in Seattle, Washington, for the sale of facsimiles and complementary products.

Zfax Image Corp.
Financial Highlights
For the Three Months Ended

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Revenues	$ 66,853	$ 50,401
Net (Loss)	($211,833)	($112,983)
Net (Loss) Per Share	($.07)	($.07)
Average Number of Shares Outstanding	2,887,250	1,737,250

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KNOXVILLE, TENN. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - In a record year, Clayton Homes Inc. (NYSE:CMH) net income rose 22 percent to $19.9 million from last year's $16.3 million.

Earnings per share (fully diluted), for the year ended June 30 were $1.09 up from 91 cents a year earlier. Revenues for the year grew 8 percent to $260 million from $242 million. Homes sold totaled 12,153, a 2 percent increase over the 11,883 sold the prior year.

For the fourth quarter, net income advanced 32 percent to $8 million from $6 million in the prior year. Fully diluted earnings per share for the fourth quarter rose 31 percent to 42 cents per share from 32 cents in the prior year.

Revenues for the fourth quarter climbed 9 percent to $81 million from $74

million. Homes sold totalled 3,666, a 4 percent improvement over the 3,519 sold the prior year. Backlogs of the manufacturing division on June 30, 1990, were $16.3 million as compared to $5.7 million last year, a 185 percent increase.

Clayton Homes Inc. is a vertically integrated manufactured housing company engaged in manufacturing, retailing, financing, and insuring homes, and developing and managing communities in which homes are sited.

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DALLAS (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Spectrum Cellular Corp. (NASDAQ: SPCL) Monday announced an agreement with NEC America Inc. of Dallas, to develope and manufacture a line of cellular data communications products for use with NEC's cellular telephone products.

According to John Rule, president of Spectrum Cellular, the agreement calls for the development of several products designed to provide NEC cellular phone users the ability to transmit facsimile and error-free data via the cellular telephone network.

In specific, the products to be produced include a version of Spectrum's IntelliJack(TM) intelligent cellular telephone interface, simple interfaces for RJ-11 to cellular telephone connection and other data communications products.

Each is designed for use with standard RJ-11 devices such as facsimiles, answering machines and Spectrum's new BridgePlus(TM) cellular/landline modem.

The BridgePlus supports Spectrum's SPCL Protocol(TM), designed for error-free data communications via the cellular network. Using SPCL Protocol, the BridgePlus (V.22bis) provides error-free data throughputs via landline or cellular networks from 5000 to 8000 bits per second, depending on the environment quality and type of information transmitted.

''NEC's packaging approach for the products is particulary exciting,'' noted Rule. ''Each will be available in a compact enclosure which will snap-on to the new NEC P-300 handheld cellular phone.'' A 9 volt battery and cellular telephone connector are included within the enclosure which provides direct RJ-11 for external device connection.

Special packaging will also be available for use of the products with NEC's in-vehicle and other model transportable cellular telephones.

Combined with any of the widely available handheld or notebook computers, the products are ideal for vertical applications requiring true portable computing and connectivity without the encumberances of larger packages.

NEC America is one of the first cellular phone manufacturers to commercially introduce Spectrum's IntelliJack cellular telephone interface. Concluded Rule, ''NEC's cellular telephone products are among the highest quality, smallest, most attractive packages available.

''This combination of NEC and Spectrum technology will offer users an ideal solution for reliable voice and data applications in the field.''

All of the new data products are being developed and manufactured by Spectrum Cellullar in Dallas for distribution by NEC America Inc. this fall.

Spectrum Cellular Corp. is a subsidiary of Spectrum Information Technologies (NASDAQ: SPCL). The company is located at 2710 Stemmons Freeway, 800 North Tower, Dallas, Texas 75207, 214/630-9825.

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TRUMBULL, CT (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - DataEase International Inc., a developer of professional and end user application development software and the DataEase relational DBMS, Monday announced DataEase SQL 1.0, an application development front-end to a variety of database engines in the client/server environment.

DataEase also announced that the first database engine to be supported in the product, as delivered in September, will be the Microsoft/Sybase SQL Server version 1.1 or higher. Under development is support for Oracle Server, IBM OS/2 Extended Edition Database Manager, Micro Decisionware's Database Gateway for DB2, and Teradata DBC/1012.

The DataEase SQL product is comprised of three components: DataEase SQL Professional, a complete application developers tool that supports one user and connectivity to one server type; the DataEase SQL Workstation Master, which allows server-specific execution of an application with limited development and ad hoc query capabilities; and the SQL Workstation Pack, which adds workstation support in five-user increments.

DataEase SQL 1.0 features DataEase's Processing Router for Integrated SQL

Management (PRISM) technology that provides transparent access to distributed server data. DataEase is developing a series of PRISM drivers that integrate the DataEase application development interface with multiple database servers.

The PRISM technology automatically translates all DataEase functions into SQL, optimizing the SQL constructs it generates for the specific server on which the data is located.

Applications developed with DataEase SQL are portable and can be moved from one system platform to another. Users can migrate applications and data from a single user or file server configuration to client/server, or from one server to another by performing a DataEase backup and then restoring the application under DataEase SQL.

DataEase SQL also supports native databases, allowing users to combine existing corporate data resident on an SQL server with personal data stored in a local DataEase database.

Founded in 1982, DataEase International Inc. develops and markets professional and end user application development software. The company's flagship product, the DataEase RDBMS, is distributed in more than 40 countries and 14 languages. DataEase International is headquartered at 7 Cambridge Dr., Trumbull, Conn. 06611, (203) 374-8000.

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GREENVILLE, SC (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Liberty Corp. (NYSE:LC) Monday announced operating earnings for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $9.3 million, or $1.09 per share, compared with second quarter 1989 operating earnings of $5.8 million, or 69 cents per share.

Total net income for the quarter was $8.4 million, or 98 cents per share, compared with net income for the year-earlier period of $8.2 million, or 97 cents per share. The second quarter net income comparison includes realized investment losses of $976,000, or 11 cents per share, compared with realized investment gains of $2.4 million, or 28 cents per share, for the year- earlier period. Revenues from operations for the quarter increased 7 percent to $90.0 million, compared with $84.4 million last year.

Operating earnings for the first six months were $14.5 million, or $1.69 per share, compared with $6.5 million, or 76 cents per share, last year. Total net income was $12.8 million, or $1.50 per share, compared with $9.4 million, or $1.10 per share in the year-earlier period. Revenues from operations were up 5 percent, but essentially unchanged from last year on a total basis including realized investment losses in 1990 compared with gains in 1989.

Liberty Life's operating earnings of $8.9 million were 26 percent ahead of last year's second quarter earnings of $7.1 million. Earnings for the first six months were $15.9 million, up 40 percent from $11.4 million last year. Revenues for the quarter increased 15 percent and were up 13 percent for the first half of 1990.

Favorable lapse experience in the home service line, increased real estate sales, and strong premium growth had a positive effect on the quarterly earnings comparisons.

Cosmos Broadcasting reported net earnings of $4.2 million for the second quarter of 1990 compared with earnings of $3.1 million last year. Earnings for the first half were $6.1 million compared with $3.4 million a year ago. An ongoing weakness in national and local advertising was offset by continued expense control, increased political revenues and a substantial decrease in interest expense due to debt payoff.

The Liberty Corp., headquartered in Greenville, is a holding company whose principal subsidiaries are Liberty Life Insurance Co. and Cosmos Broadcasting Corp.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Strings Ltd. (NASDAQ:STGS), the nation's only retail gift chain specializing in items priced under $10, Monday reported that it opened three new stores between July 18 and Aug. 1 including its first major regional mall location.

The new units doubled the chains' size from a year ago to 12 stores, or 50 percent higher than its Feb. 3 fiscal year end when eight operating units delivered net sales of $2.7 million.

Expressing pride in Strings' ability to ramp its new store openings in a short period of time, Richard Karp, Strings' president, reported that ''sales at these new stores are exceeding our expectations.''

On July 18, Strings opened a 1,400 square foot unit in the CrossRoad Shopping Center, White Plains, N.Y. This was followed by the July 27 opening of a 1,200 square foot unit in the Myrtle Avenue Shopping District (Ridgewood, N.Y.).

Last Wednesday, the company opened its first regional mall site -- a 1,200 square foot unit in the Freehold Raceway Mall, a new Wilmorite Inc. major regional mall in Freehold, N.J.

In keeping with its previously announced expansion schedule, a 950 square foot unit in the Newport Center, a Melvin Simon & Associates project in Jersey City, N.J., is slated for October.

With the momentum of these store openings, and two other stores opened earlier in the year, ''We are ahead of the planned timing of openings for the current fiscal year and are on target with our expansion for the year '' said Karp.

''Our first mall location opened in February 1990 at the New Rochelle Mall. Based on the exceptional results of that store, we expect that our mall/shopping center locations will predominate our store mix as we expand throughout the Northeast,'' he added.

Strings Ltd. (NASDAQ:STGS) is the nation's only retail gift chain specializing in items priced under $10. The company which has 12 Metropolitan New York stores in business, residential and suburban shopping areas is positioned for 25 percent annualized growth in the next few years as it sets the foundation for more rapid expansion.

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PALO ALTO, CA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Co. Monday announced three additional software products, 16 value-added resellers (VARs) and 18 independent software developers (ISVs) for HP NewWave Office.

With the new product announcements, HP NewWave Office now is a suite of more than 20 software products and services that provide customers with communications, decision-support and information-sharing services. This integrated office system makes it easier and faster for people to get the information they need and act on it.

The three new software products are:

o HP NewWave Mail, an electronic-mail product that enables customers to send messages, video objects and other data types, such as spreadsheets and graphics, to other computer users;

o HP AdvanceLink for HP NewWave, terminal-emulation software that allows users to transfer MS-DOS files to and from HP 3000 and HP 9000 computer systems; and

o HP OfficeFax, software that allows users of electronic-mail products such as HP AdvanceMail and HP NewWave Mail to send facsimiles directly from their computers.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. HP has 93,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

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WATERTOWN, MA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - MUSE, the microcomputer industry's first fully featured, language-driven data analysis software, was introduced Monday by Occam Research Corp. to bring users a new level of control over data retrieval, manipulation and visualization.

MUSE converts raw data into finished analysis faster than any other program in the industry and enables users to access its power through the most natural command interface possible -- everyday English. Ask MUSE a question in English -- through keyboard or other input device -- and you'll get your answer quickly and clearly in the most appropriate format: a simple one-line response if it's a one-dimensional question, or a fully labeled, fully functional WorkBook containing numbers and/or test if it's a multi-dimensional answer.

MUSE enables users to simultaneously reference, manipulate, reformat, calculate and visualize large data sets. Its strength lies in its natural language core, which boasts an advanced data dictionary that expands to reflect the individual user's way of thinking and working.

MUSE's relational database manager easily imports data in a variety of

forms and familiar formats, from simple text to mainframe databases. MUSE organizes data as it is imported into WorkBooks. WorkBooks are easily converted into DataBooks that can fully cross-referenced with as many as 15 DataBooks open at once.

When users ask questions, MUSE automatically accesses the relevant data from DataBooks and places the answer into a WorkBook. For example, MUSE can automatically reference and manipulate data from a corporate sales DataBook, a manufacturing DataBook, a personnel DataBook and externally published data, then combine all pertinent information in a single entity to be displayed on a WorkBook with precisely the level of detail needed.

MUSE's natural language architecture also has the potential to utilize input and output for questions and answers beyond keyboard and display, including devices performing speech recognition, speech generation and handwriting recognition.

At present, desktop computer users typically employ spreadsheets, database managers and business graphics packages for data manipulation and analysis. While powerful as standalone products, each requires the users to learn separate command structures, as well as special procedures to transfer, translate and manipulate shared data.

MUSE benefits anyone in a corporate or scientific environment whose job requires them to extract meaning from data sets of all sizes and dimensions. In fact, MUSE is well-suited to any environment where users of 32-bit Macintosh machines are responsible for developing, evaluating, connecting and reviewing large amounts of data to arrive at a recommendation, decision or educated point-of-view.

MUSE can run on any Macintosh of the SE level or higher with 2 MB of RAM, a hard disk and System Version 6.0.5 or higher. It fits easily and completely into almost any environment where Macintosh computers are used. MUSE supports most standard files formats including flat files, ASCII, DBF, WKS, WK1, WK3, SYLK and DIF.

The first shipment of MUSE to key developers and large user sites is scheduled for October, with general distribution targeted for the first quarter of 1991. A single copy of MUSE is $695 without an extended support and development kit.

Occam Research has developed a close working relationship with Apple Computer through the computer maker's Evangelism Program.

Occam Research Corp. is dedicated to the development and marketing of innovative software for PCs and Macintosh computers with an emphasis on ease-of-use and user productivity. Its products are for users in a wide variety of corporate and scientific settings.

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DERRY, NH (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Cornerstone Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:CSTN) announced that its board of directors has approved a repurchase program of the company's convertible subordinated debentures.

Under the program, Cornerstone may, from time to time during the next six months, purchase up to $215,000 of its 8.75 percent convertible subordinated debentures due in 1999 and $2,000,000 in principal amount of its 7 percent convertible subordinated debentures due in 1999. The purchases will be made in open market transactions at then prevailing market prices.

Under previous repurchase programs originally commenced in November 1987, Cornerstone has repurchased $6,350,000 in principal amount of its convertible subordinated debentures. If the repurchase program is completed in its entirety, Cornerstone will have retired all of its 8.75 percent debentures and would continue to have $2,815,000 of its 7 percent debentures outstanding. John M. Terravecchia, chief executive officer of Cornerstone, indicated that the purchase of additional debentures will depend upon the attractiveness of market prices.

Cornerstone Financial Corp. is the parent holding company of Derry Bank and Trust Co. and Cornerstone Bank.

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BILLERICA, MA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacer Systems Inc. Monday announced that net profit for the six months ended June 30, 1990 increased by 104% to $368,000 ($.07 per share).

Net profit for the same period last year amounted to $180,000 ($.04 per share).

Revenue for the period ended June 30, 1990 amounted to $13.1 million, an increase of 14% over the $11.5 million recorded last year.

Contract backlog at June 30 was $73 million, a small increase from the $71 million reported a year ago. Cash on hand at the end of the first half rose to over $3 million, due primarily to improved cash collections and continued growth.

Pacer, principally a provider of engineering services to the U.S. Department of Defense, maintained its strong position in Antisubmarine Warfare (ASW) markets. Approximately one-half of Pacer's revenue is derived from ASW and ASW-related programs.

According to Chairman John C. Rennie, ''The growing realization that over 40 nations now have military submarines adds to the potential threat to commercial sea lanes and strategic waterways. Due to the worldwide proliferation and continuing improvements in the Soviet submarine fleet's quality and capability, ASW remains the U.S. Navy's highest priority mission.''

In its flight simulator line, Pacer's SD-360 Flight Training Device (FTD) was accepted by the customer, WestAir Inc., while work continued on the Embraer EMB-120 FTC contract. Quotations are also being supplied to several domestic and international customers.

Pacer's digital signal processor products continued to gain favor with government customers. During the first-half, Pacer received a second order for a production version of the SPS-8100 communications signal processor. Work continued on U.S. Navy contracts for the SPS-1000 signal processing systems for simulating undersea acoustic environments.

Under contract to the U.S. Navy, Pacer began operational installation of its BALLAST-r ship stability expert system, with eight additional installations scheduled through early 1991.

Pacer maintained its efforts to expand the helicopter air data market, building on its ongoing role as the supplier of that product to the U.S. Army's AH-64 Apache program. Marketng efforts were targeted at the U.S. Army's Light Helicopter program, as well to NATO, Israeli and Japanese programs. The company experienced continuing difficulties with some components.

Correction of these problems has been implemented which should allow Pacer to catch up with production schedules by early fall.

''Growth by acquisition remains a viable strategy for Pacer,'' said Rennie. ''Management,'' he said, ''will examine acquisition opportunities but will only proceed with candidates which show potential to contribute substantially to company operating strength and earnings per share.

The directors declared an interim dividend of $0.03 per share payable Dec.

17, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 31, 1990.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Seitel Inc. (ASE:SEI) Monday announced dates for its 5 cent semi-annual cash dividend on the company's common stock.

The cash dividends are payable Oct. 5, to holders of record as of Sept. 13.

Seitel Inc. is engaged in the development of a proprietary seismic data bank and arranging the acquisition, marketing and brokering of seismic data.

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NASHVILLE, TN (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Dollar General Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DOLR) Monday reported increased sales for July and the second quarter.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Cal Turner Jr. said sales for the period ended July 31, 1990, totaled $48.5 million, compared with $44.9 million in 1989, an increase of 8 percent. Same store sales for the period increased 3.8 percent.

''We are pleased with July sales,'' Turner said. ''However, while we ended the second quarter with this sales improvement, it was not enough to result in positive same store sales for the entire quarter. As a result, we expect our earnings for the quarter to be slightly below last year's level. We look forward to a strong third quarter in both sales and earnings and are encouraged by our customer's early August reponse to the back to school season.''

For the quarter ended July 31, 1990, retail sales totaled $151.6 million, a 3.4 percent increase over sales of $146.7 million during the second quarter of 1989. Same store sales for the quarter decreased 1.2 percent.

Retail sales for the first six months of the year totaled $284.1 million, compared with $275.5 million in 1989, an increase of 3.1 percent. Same store sales have decreased 1.5 percent.

Dollar General is a chain of 1,408 neighborhood stores operating in 23 states with distribution centers in Georgia and Kentucky.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Community National Bancorp Inc. (AMEX:CNB) -- the holding company for Staten Island-based Community National Bank and Trust Co. of New York -- Monday reported lower second quarter results, as expected.

The company said that its continued strength in operating earnings was offset by additional provisions for actual and possible loan losses.

The company said further, however, that despite the large loan loss provisions it has taken and the problems that have plagued the banking industry, Community National Bancorp has continued to show a profit.

John J. Amodio, president and chief executive officer of Community National Bancorp, said that the company did not expect to set aside any further large reserves for the remainder of the year and that he looked for an upturn in earnings, probably in the third quarter.

''Though quarterly and mid-year earnings are lower than last year, we are generally satisfied with our overall performance in light of large loan loss provisions we have taken,'' said Amodio. ''While the entire banking industry was heavily impacted by loan delinquencies and loan losses in first half 1990, our delinquencies have actually stabilized in recent months and we feel the worst of our loan loss problems are now behind us.''

For the second quarter ended June 30, Community National Bancorp had earnings of $51,000 or 2 cents per share, after a loan loss provision of $1.8 million, compared with $1,009,000, or 37 cents per share, after a provision of $600,000, in the same period last year. For the six months ended June 30, the company earned $262,000, or 8 cents per share, after a loan loss provision of $3.1 million, compared with $1,802,000, or 66 cents per share, after a provision of $800,000, a year ago. Total assets at mid-year were $406,000,000 compared with $354,000,000 last year.

Operating income for the second quarter, before the loan loss provision,

was $1,838,000, compared with $2,474,000, before a provision, in the same period last year. For the half year ended June 30, operating income before the loan loss provision was $3,441,000, compared with $4,157,000, before a provision, in the year earlier.

Amodio said that despite the recent improvement in delinquencies, the company feels it was most prudent in its decision regarding its second quarter provision.

Amodio added that while he is optimistic about the comapny's overall future prospects, he emphasized that the bank will continue its highly conservative posture in both lending activities and in the evaluation of its loan portfolios. Community National Bank and Trust Co. of New York is the largest independent community-oriented commercial banking institution with headquarters in Staten Island. The bank has a network of seven branch offices, including five locations in Staten Island and one each in Brooklyn and Manhattan.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 6) - The Board of Directors of American Greetings Corporation (NASDAQ:AGREA) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 17.5 cents per share.

The dividend, payable to holders of both Class A and Class B common shares will be paid Sept. 10, 1990 to shareholders of record on Aug. 27, 1990. This is the 155th consecutive quarter that American Greetings has paid a dividend.

American Greetings is the world's largest publicly owned maker of greeting cards and related products. Shares are traded in the Over-the-Counter market and are listed in the daily NASDAQ national market table.

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COLUMBIA, TN (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Maury Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ/NMS:MFED) Monday reported results for the first fiscal quarter

ended June 30, 1990.

Net income of $187,551 was slightly higher than last year's $182,633. The latest quarter's earnings were 32 cents per share on 589,000 average shares. Prior year quarter earnings were 32 cents per share on 579,000 average shares. The recent quarter earnings represent an annualized return on assets of 1.38 percent.

During the quarter stockholders' equity increased $172,822, after deducting cash dividends of $58,900. Stockholders' equity June 30, 1990, was $10,482,504, representing book value of $17.80 per share on 589,000 shares. With assets of $54,619,607, the bank's capital/asset ratio is 19.2 percent, among the highest banking institutions.

Commenting, John D. Page, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: ''It is noteworthy that we have maintained strong earnings in spite of higher interest costs on deposits, increased special assessments and examination expenses of the Office of Thrift Supervision, and rising inflation in personnel, service and supply costs.

''In the face of continuing daily negative publicity about the thrift industry, we are justifiably proud that we have a highly capitalized profitable company. We are grateful for the loyal support of our customers who recognize our sound, strong position.''

Maury Federal Savings Bank, with offices in Columbia and Mt. Pleasant, Tenn., serves customers primarily in Maury County and southern Middle Tennessee.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Birmingham Steel Corp. (NYSE: BIR) Monday announced net income of $16,306,000 and earnings per share of $1.33 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Earnings in fiscal 1989 were $39,099,000, or $3.16 per share. Net sales were $442,523,000, essentially unchanged from $442,975,000 reported in the prior fiscal year. Steel shipments increased four percent to 1,279,000 tons from 1,234,000 tons in fiscal 1989.

For the fourth quarter, the company reported a net loss of $(512,000), or (four cents) per share, compared with net income of $7,349,000, or 59 cents per share, in the same period last year.

The fiscal 1990 fourth quarter results reflect a pretax accounting charge of approximately $8 million associated with the May shutdown of the melt shop at the company's Norfolk facility.

Net sales for the quarter were $114,889,000 compared with $119,791,000 a year ago. Steel shipments rose slightly to 338,000 tons from 336,000 tons in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

James A. Todd Jr., president and chief executive officer commented: "Fiscal 1990 was a difficult year for the company. Overall financial performance was substantially below the level achieved in fiscal 1989. Although steel shipments remained strong in fiscal 1990, margins were adversely affected by declining steel selling prices.

"In addition, net income was reduced because of construction and start-up delays of the Kankakee melt shop and expenses incurred in connection with the abandoned Buffalo Steel project and the aborted merger transaction with affiliates of Harbert Corp.

"In the fourth quarter," Todd continued, "the most significant factor impacting earnings was the $8 million pretax accounting charge related to the shutdown of the Norfolk melt shop. Without this writedown, earnings for the quarter would have been greater by 43 cents per share.

"We expect business conditions will be competitive in fiscal 1991, but margins should be significantly improved. Although the recent capital improvements have not yet reached full potential, the Kankakee mill is setting production records and continues to reduce operating costs. In addition, the reduced scale of operations at Norfolk should improve profitability in fiscal 1991," Todd concluded.

Birmingham Steel operates steel mini-mills producing steel and steel products, primarily reinforcing bar, and is the largest U.S. manufacturer of steel roof support systems used in underground coal mining.

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - CEM Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:CEMX) Monday announced that the board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 100,000 shares of its Common Stock.

The purchases would be made in the open market or directly from shareholders from time to time at current market prices. The shares authorized for repurchase represent about 2 percent of the 4,609,000

shares outstanding.

Michael J. Collins, president and chief executive officer, said, ''At current price levels, we believe our Common Stock is a good value.''

CEM produces microwave-based instrumentation for testing and analysis. The company's products are used in many manufacturing and processing industries, including chemical and food processing, and the general analytical laboratory market. The company's shares are traded over-the-counter under the National Market System symbol CEMX.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Genentech Inc. and Roche Holding Ltd. of Basel, Switzerland announced Monday that both companies have certified to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) that they are in substantial compliance with its request for additional information on the proposed merger involving the two companies, and have agreed with the staff of the FTC to extend the Hart-Scott-Rodino waiting period for the proposed merger to Aug. 31, 1990.

On March 23, the FTC, under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, requested that each company supply additional information.

The companies will not comment on the information requested and submitted while the matter is still pending before the FTC.

Under the $2.1 billion agreement announced on Feb. 2, Roche will invest approximately $492 million in capital in Genentech and pay about $1.6 billion to Genentech stockholders for a 60 percent equity interest.

For each two shares of existing stock, Genentech stockholders will receive $36 and one share of new redeemable common stock which will be traded on the New York Stock Exchange. During the five years following the merger, Roche has the right to redeem the remaining shares at prices increasing from $38 per share to $60 per share.

On June 8, Genentech stockholders approved the proposed merger with 97 percent of the votes cast in favor of the transaction. The parties intend to complete the merger promptly after expiration or termination of the Hart-Scott-Rodino waiting period.

Roche Holding Ltd. is a global healthcare company spanning more than 100 countries and employing 50,000 worldwide. In 1989, Roche's sales totaled approximately $6.5 billion. Roche's five divisions comprise

pharmaceuticals, vitamins and fine chemicals, diagnostics, fragrances and flavors, and plant protection.

In addition to the facilities connected with these divisions, the company maintains four primary research and development centers in Basel, Switzerland, Nutley, N.J., Welwyn Garden City, England and Kamakura, Japan.

Genentech Inc. is a leading biotechnology company focusing on the development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceuticals produced by recombinant DNA technology.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T and OTC, the international telecommunications carrier in Australia, Monday announced a less expensive and more flexible way for businesses to communicate between the United States and Australia.

Global Software Defined Network service (GSDN), currently available between the U.S. and the United Kingdom, will be extended to Australia in September, according to a filing with the FCC.

''This expansion of Global Software Defined Network service reflects AT&T's continuing commitment to meet our customers' international networking needs,'' said Frank Ianna, vice president of Marketing for AT&T's International Communications Services Group. ''During the next year we plan to announce several enhancements to GSDN, which will allow customers to use a wide range of network options as their businesses begin to globalize.''

AT&T Global Software Defined Network service allows businesses to design their own private seven-digit dialing plan for international calls within the network. It features fast call-set-up times, high-quality transmission and greater management over their international communications.

The service is particularly useful for voice and facsimile transmissions at speeds up to 9.6 kilobits per second. It allows customers the cost savings and customization normally associated with private line services, together with the flexibility of switched service.

AT&T said the new service addresses the needs of customers with medium to heavy calling volumes to Australia. It also helps businesses who use AT&T's domestic Software Defined Network service or Virtual Telephone Network service to extend their networks overseas at a reduced cost.

Global Software Defined Network service rates are significantly below direct-dialed rates and are billed in economical six-second increments after the first 30 seconds.

The peak rate, 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., is 77.5 cents for the first 30 seconds and 6.25 cents for each additional six seconds. A call to Australia during off-peak hours, 8 p.m. to 2 p.m., will be billed at 62.5 cents for the first 30 seconds and 4.8 cents for each additional six seconds. By comparison, direct-dialed rates to Australia are $3.10 for the first minute and $1.25 for each additional minute during the standard rate period.

In Australia, GSDN connects with the OTC's Call Plan service, which is an international extension of the Virtual Private Network concept, offering both additional services and lower rates.

For International Direct Dial customers, OTC Call Plan offers more efficient access to international networks, by providing direct lines between the customer's office and OTC. Other features include network-wide abbreviated dialing, call re-direction and management reports.

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Bruno's Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:BRNO) Monday announced record revenues, net income, and earnings per share for fiscal 1990.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, revenues increased 12.2 percent to $2,394,788,000 from revenues of $2,134,093,000 for the fiscal year ended July 1, 1989. Net income before an extraordinary item and the cumulative effect of a change in accounting was $60,138,000, or 74 cents per share, up 25.8 percent over income of $47,809,000, or 59 cents per share, for fiscal 1989.

Net income, including the extraordinary item and the accounting change, was $58,099,000, or 71 cents per share, compared with net income of $50,235,000, or 62 cents per share.

The extraordinary item is a write-off of deferred debt acquisition costs and the premium paid on bond redemption. The charge was $2,039,000 in fiscal 1990 and $1,151,000 in fiscal 1989. Net earnings for fiscal 1989 included $3,577,000, or 4 cents per share, related to a change in accounting for income taxes.

Commenting on the results, Bruno's President and Chief Executive Officer, Ronald Bruno, said: ''We are pleased to report that we met or exceeded all of our financial objectives for fiscal 1990. Each store concept contributed to the improved results with same store sales increasing 6.3 percent for the year. During fiscal 1990, we opened 20 new stores, 7 of which were replacements, and closed 4 stores, for a net increase of 9 stores.

''Another year of consistent growth is expected in fiscal 1991. We are expanding both of our distribution centers and plan to continue an aggressive store opening program. A total of 50 new stores are scheduled for opening during the next two years.''

Bruno's Inc. is a leading regional food retailer, operating a total of 230 supermarkets in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, Florida and Tennessee.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Lyondell Petrochemical Co. resumed normal crude runs at its Houston refinery Friday night, August 3.

The company had briefly reduced crude runs late Thursday due to uncertainty of crude deliveries associated with President Bush's executive order regarding crude shipments from Iraq and Kuwait.

By Friday, Lyondell had arranged for sufficient crude supplies to return its refinery to normal rates. Currently, crude runs at the Houston refinery are averaging 290,000 barrels per day, well above nameplate capacity.

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SAN FRANSISCO (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Laser Systems Inc. Monday announced the successful conclusion of preclinical trials at the Barraquer Institute, Bogota, Colombia, for corneal sculpting procedures with its Ophthalmic Surgical Workstation (OSW).

According to Phoenix Director of Research and Development, H. Alfred Sklar ''The preclinical test conducted by the staff of Institute Barraquer de America under the direction of Dr. Jose Barraquer have allowed us to identify the working parameters of the workstation to perform refractive correction.'' Sklar explained that the workstation ionizes material inside the cornea to create mid-stromal ''bubbles'' without generating Tindall or other inflammatory response and which seem to disappear within 30 minutes. ''Refractive corrections of one to nine dioplers have been observed,'' he said.

Sklar noted that the diagnostics component of the Workstation has provided accurate measurement of corneal curvatures. ''The high resolution provided by the workstation to indentify corneal curvature within the central three millimeters surrounding the visual axis has proven indispensable in accurately positioning the laser effect.''

''The quantitative experience gained in performing Transepithelial Stromal Keratectomy (TSK) in more than 50 eyes has encouraged the staff at the Institute to proceed with human clinical experimentation under FDA guidelines,'' Sklar announced. He added that patient selection and preoperative preparation are currently underway, with actual testing expected to commence during the week of Aug. 6.

The Phoenix Ophthalmic Surgical Workstation is a self-contained proprietary workstation that combines on-line diagnostic measurement, advanced laser beam positioning, high speed tissue tracking, and therapeutic devices for the precise control of laser surgery. The company's technology permits surgery at cellular levels without creating significant thermal damage to surrounding cells.

When performing corneal refractive surgery, the OSW provides a method of correcting nearsightedness, farsightedness and astigmatism without the stromal dehydration, endothelial cell loss and structural eye trauma associated with ultra-violet, high pulsed energy laser-based surgical devices.

The findings of the preclinical and clinical trials at the Barraquer Institute will be made available through medical literature.

The company also announced that the board of directors of Phoenix Laser System has authorized a plan for the company to buy back up to 5 percent

of the outstanding preferred and common stock in the open market over a period of time. That announcement was made by Steven Schiffer, president of Phoenix Laser Systems Inc.

''The buy-back represents our confidence in our technology based on the intitial preclinical results and the expected results of the testing of the unit with human subjects over the next two to three weeks,'' Schiffer stated.

Phoenix Laser Systems currently has 9.5 million shares outstanding.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Thomas J. Mackell Jr., a widely-respected marketing and client service expert in the field of benefit fund administration, has announced the formation of Mackell & Associates, a firm which he will head.

Mackell resigned from M.D. Sass Associates in May where he spent nine years as director of marketing and client services. In his tenure at the company, his marketing efforts resulted in the organization increasing its pool of managed funds from $350 million in 1981 to $3.8 billion this year.

Mackell, who holds a masters degree in health care administration from Long Island University and a doctorate in labor studies from Rutgers University, is generally regarded as one of the nation's leading experts and consultants in the employee benefit, labor-management and investment management fields.

He spent 14 years as the administrator of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association multi-employer trust fund, and has broad experience in collective bargaining as a negotiator, mediator and arbitrator in the maritime, transportation, steel, public safety, and health care industries.

Mackell has also been a professor at C.W. Post Center, Long Island University's Graduate School of Health and Public Affairs, and an adjunct professor at New York Institute of Technology's Graduate Center for Labor and Industrial Relations.

Mackell is currently President of the Association of Benefit Administrators in New York. He has been a member of the National Labor and Employee Benefit Claims Panel of the American Arbitration Association, and the Labor Arbitration Panel of the New York State Mediation Board, and currently serves as an active member of the International Foundation of

Employee Benefit Plans, the Association of Private Pension and Welfare Plans, the Government Finance Officer's Association, the National Conference on Public Employee Retirement Systems, the National Association of State Retirement Administrators, the National Institute of Pension Administrators, the Council of Institutional investors, and many other organizations.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The following interim report was mailed to Oglebay Norton stockholders on Monday, Aug. 6, 1990.

Oglebay Norton's second-quarter net income amounted to $913,000 or 35 cents per share on sales and revenues of $45,398,000 as compared to net income of $1,639,000 or 64 cents per share on sales and revenues of $47,720,000 for the same period in 1989.

The company, in the first six months of 1990, incurred a loss of $324,000 or 13 cents per share on sales and revenues of $74,704,000 as compared to net income of $1,458,000 or 57 cents per share on sales and revenues of $73,999,000 for the same period in 1989. Included in gross operating revenues in the 1989 second quarter and 1989 year to date are $771,000 and $1,191,000, respectively, (both pretax) which are onetime miscellaneous income items.

The comparative unaudited results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, and for the year to date are set forth on the attachment hereto.

Oglebay Norton Co. has signed a letter of intent to purchase two Great Lakes self-unloading vessels from Bethelem Steel Corp. -- the 1,000-foot M/V Lewis Wilson Foy and the 698-foot S/S Sparrows Point. The Foy, built in 1978, can carry more than 61,000 gross tons of iron ore pellets; the Sparrows Point, built in 1952, carries almost 22,000 tons.

The purchase is subject to several conditions and is expected to be completed this fall. Addition of the two vessels will make Oglebay Norton's combined Columbia Transportation Division and Pringle Transit Co. operations the largest U.S.-flag bulk carrier on the Great Lakes.

Oglebay Norton's vessel transportation segment currently is operating 12 vessels, as demand for its services remains strong. Segment profits, however, are slightly below the prior year, due to a late sailing-season start and other factors, but this is not necessarily indicative of results

anticipated for 1990.

Sales of iron ore pellets for the first six months in 1990 were less than for the first half of 1989. The company, therefore, reduced its share of production from Eveleth Mines and charged to expense certain production costs that could not be absorbed into inventory. Eveleth Mines, under the company's management, negotiated a satisfactory 39-month labor agreement in the second quarter.

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Jack Yewell, 216/861-2835.

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NEWARK, N.J. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - THT Inc. (NASDAQ:TXHI) announced Monday its results of operations for the three months and nine months ended June 30.

Revenues for the three months ended June 30, were $1,493,505 compared to $68,472 for the prior year's comparable period. The company generated a net income of $182,819 (1 cent per share) for the three months ended June 30, compared to a net loss of $237,745 (2 cents per share) for the comparable prior period.

Revenues for the nine months ended June 30, were $1,527,780 compared to $355,579 for the comparable prior year period. Net income was $376,898 (3 cents per share) for the nine months ended June 30, as compared to a net loss of $843,783 (6 cents per share) for the comparable prior period.

Frederick A. Rossetti, president of THT Inc. stated that ''the significant improvement in revenues and earnings were the direct result of the company's acquisition of Setterstix Inc. on April 20, 1990. In a little over two months since the acquisition, Setterstix recorded revenues of approximately $1,468,000 and pre-tax earnings of $278,000.''

On July 27, 1990, the company announced the signing of a letter of intent to acquire a manufacturer of proprietary steel and wire products. The letter of intent is subject to numerous conditions including the execution of a definitive purchase agreement. Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

THT is engaged in the sale of consumer electronics and through a wholly owned subsidiary is primarily engaged in the manufacture of rolled paper sticks used principally in confection and sanitary health related products.

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#90218b0793 08/06/1990 ~Business Wire
RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert H. Hilb, president of Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. (NASDAQ: HRHC) announced the completion of a merger between Employee Benefit Services Inc. of Charleston, S.C., and the Charleston subsidiary of Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co.

Terms were not disclosed.

Employee Benefit Services Inc. is one of the largest third party administrators in South Carolina. Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. believes that, together with the company's Savannah, Ga. administrator, Jones, Hill & Mercer Employee Benefits, it has one of the premier national systems for providing administrative services to companies with employee benefit plans.

Hilb stated: ''This acquisition is another orderly step in the expansion of our company.''

According to Thomas H. Cooper, who will be president of the merged Charleston companies: ''This move will add additional strength, expertise and stability to our firm.''

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. provides insurance agency services to a wide variety of clients through its network of wholly owned subsidiaries which operate 38 insurance agencies in 15 states and the District of Columbia. The company is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol HRHC.

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Robert H. Hilb, 804/747-6500.

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BUFFALO, NY (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - In April and May, 1989, Universal Capital sold 2,386,980 Redeemable Class A Common Stock Purchase Warrants (the "Warrants") to the public.

Under the terms of the Warrant Agreement, as amended, each Warrant entitled the holder thereof to purchase one share of Common Stock, par value $.001 per share, at an exercise price of 40 cents per share until February 13, 1991.

If at any time the closing bid price for Universal Capital Common Stock is greater than or equal to 50 cents for a period of thirty consecutive trading days, Universal Capital may redeem the Warrants at a price of one cent per Warrant upon thirty days' notice.

Pursuant to action by the board of directors of Universal Capital, the date on which the right of Warrantholders to exercise their Warrants will expire has been extended from February 13, 1991 until February 13, 1992.

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DALLAS (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Super Club Retail Entertainment (SCRE) has signed an agreement to purchase 15 retail video units from a subsidiary of Vestron which are located in New Jersey and currently operate under the name ''The Video Store.''

Final closing of the transaction is expected within 30 days.

The existing regional management and store personnel will remain in place -- and overall management responsibility will be under the direction of Video Towne Entertainment, the Dayton-based subsidiary of Super Club.

In making the announcement, Darrell Baldwin, CEO of Super Club, said: ''Through a combination of new-store openings and the incorporation of 40 other Vestron units that we acquired earlier this year, Video Towne has grown from a 22-store chain when we purchased them in September of 1989 to an 86-store chain today. This acquisition will move them over the 100-store mark.

''During the past few months,'' he continued, ''Video Towne has been successfully incorporating audio products into their market through a joint project between our audio and video speciality chains. All 15 of the New Jersey units produce high annual revenue streams from video rental and preliminary studies indicate that a high percentage of the new locations will be suitable for the retailing of audio products and video sell-through.

''Strategically speaking, we see this acquisition as a natural continuation of our expansion plans.''

Markets serviced by The Video Store include: Morristown, North Brunswick, Livingston, Teaneck, Ramsey, Upper Montclair, and Randolph. Over time, it is expected that the stores will be renamed to reflect their relationship with Video Towne.

Super Club Retail Entertainment also owns Alfalfa/Movietime, Automated Video Inc., Best Video, Record Bar/Tracks, Turtle's, and Rhythm and Views.

CONTACT: Super Club Retail Entertainment, Dallas Landa Miller, 214/701-9929

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - FolioTech, an interactive computer software application program capable of selectively retrieving and displaying videotaped images on the computer screen was released Monday by Al Blanco, president of The Team Works, an advertising talent placement agency headquartered in New York City.

FolioTech, more than two years in development, will enable showcasing of a freelancer's entire portfolio, television and radio commericals as well as print work on demand to advertising agencies and corporate communications departments in need of advertising creative talent.

Because FolioTech is interactive, it can be used to recruit talent efficiently and precisely from among the potentially thousands of freelancers that can be included in the database.

The Team Works, with offices in Detriot as well as New York, will be marketing FolioTech, as a subscription service, providing updated disks quarterly.

Since its founding in 1987, The Team Works principals have had visions of creating a means to facilitate the agency-freelancer matching process. As the company's talent lists grew, increasingly sophisticated data base development was necessary to keep track of the unique combinations of skills and experience that each freelancer presented.

However, the nature of advertising assignments is such that the hiring process almost invariably requires a personal interview and presentation of portfolio materials before a project can commence.

FolioTech expands the boundaries of traditional databases. It brings the freelancer's work, in all media (print, audio and/or video) to the computer screen. The freelancer whose resume and work is included on the disk is "available" for interviews 24 hours a day.

Freelancers also may videotape a personal statement to be viewed in addition to their portfolio presentation. For the agencies, precise and efficient recruitment of talent can be achieved in a fraction of the time it might otherwise have taken.

By subscribing to FolioTech, advertising agencies can bring under their control the entire recruiting process for freelance assistance (as well as for permanent staff, if desired). No intermediary is necessary; recruitment fees are eliminated. FolioTech enables targeting of talent for short or long-term assignments through its interactive, virtually instantaneous sorting capabilities.

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-30- 2734

#90218b0810 08/06/1990 ~Business Wire

PURCHASE, NY (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Sunds Defibrator and International Paper Monday announced their worldwide monetary settlement of outstanding infringement claims based on certain patents owned by International Paper that relate to the oxygen treatment of chemical wood pulp. These patents apply to both oxygen delignification prior to chlorination and oxidative extraction following chlorination.

As a result of this agreement, all of Sunds Defibrator's customers currently operating oxygen delignification systems or oxidative extraction systems covered by the patents have been licensed to practice under them.

Furthermore, all of Sunds Defibrator's customers who have contracted for the purchase of certain processes and process machinery from Sunds Defibrator, but have yet to start-up, have also been awarded licenses that will be effective upon start-up.

In addition, this agreement between International Paper and Sunds Defibrator will result in Sunds Defibrator being able to assure all potential customers that they will be licensed in countries where these International Paper patents are in effect.

This agreement between International Paper and Sunds Defibrator has developed during a period of significant cooperation between the two companies. International Paper currently has on order with Sunds Defribrator process machinery with total value in excess of $25 million dollars. Included in this backlog is International Paper's first Sunds' oxygen delignifation system, to be started up at its Texarkana mill later in 1990.

Sunds Defibrator, headquartered in Sundszall, Sweden, is one of the world's leading suppliers of plants, equipment and process technology to the pulp and paper and fiberboard industries.

International Paper, heaquartered in Purchase, is a worldwide producer of paper and forest products. The company is a major producer of printing and writing papers, paperboard and packaging products and wood products.

The company also operates specialty products businesses and distributes paper and wood products. International Paper has manufacturing operations in 22 countries and exports its products from the U.S. to more than 70 nations.

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#90218b0811 08/06/1990 ~Business Wire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Datasouth Computer Corp. announced Monday the addition of PAR Associates to its U.S. distributor network.

Under terms of the agreement, PAR Associates will resell Datasouth's entire product line of heavy duty dot matrix printers including the DS 180 DS 180DD and DS 400 printers through its offices in the Rocky Mountain region.

''We will gain increased market presence through our association with PAR. This relationship provides a high degree of visibility for Datasouth in the Rocky Mountain region,'' said Jim Busby, Datasouth's president.

''And PAR gains a manufacturer with a line of heavy duty dot matrix printers that will complement its existing line of products.''

According to Peter Kertesz, president of PAR Associates: ''Reselling Datasouth's line of heavy duty dot matrix printers reinforces our commitment to providing customers with the best products for their printing needs. Also, Datasouth's reputation for providing durable and dependable printers is second to none, and that blends well with our strategy of working only with quality manufacturers.''

Headquartered in Denver, PAR Associates is a full service distributor and systems integrator offering products in the areas of networking, data communications, workstations, graphics and peripherals.

With six additional offices covering the Rocky Mountain region, PAR provides its customers with comprehensive equipment leasing, technical support and central dispatching services.

Located in Charlotte, Datasouth was founded in 1977 to design, manufacturer and distribute heavy duty dot matrix printers. With speeds ranging from 180 to 620+cps, Datasouth printers are intended for tasks such as printing multi-part forms, invoices, labels, checks and high-speed report printing.

A variety of available interfaces allows plug compatibility with virtually any system. Datasouth sells its products through distributors, VARs and direct to large OEMs.

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or
Hodskins Simone and Searls Inc., San Francisco
David Templeton, 415/327-3434
or
PAR Associates, Denver
Peter Kertesz, 303/394-2772

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Protective Life Corp. (NASDAQ:PROT) announced Monday that it is increasing its quarterly dividend to 19 cents per share, an increase of 8.6 percent.

The company's board of directors declared the quarterly dividend to be paid Sept. 1, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 17, 1990.

William J. Rushton III, chairman of the board and chief executive officer observed that it has been over three years since the company last increased its dividend, and that the dividend increase reflects the company's confidence in its future prospects. The company had recently announced its consolidated net income for the first six months of 1990 was $12.2 million or 90 cents per share, an increase of 17 percent over the same period of 1989.

The company also announced today that its board of Directors has approved the formation of an Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) which will immediately begin purchasing approximately 500,000 shares of the company's common stock in the open market. The company has 13,581,988 common shares outstanding. The stock will be used to match employee contributions to the company's existing 401(k) Plan.

CONTACT: Protective Life Corp., Birmingham
Jerry DeFoor, 205/868-3515.

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#90218b0818 08/06/1990 ~Business Wire

DALLAS (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Uranium Resources Inc. (''URI'') announced a net loss for the second quarter ended June 30, of $76,000, or 0 cents per share vs. net income of $1,101,000, or 16 cents per share in 1989.

Revenue for the period was $2,836,000 compared to $6,500,000 in 1989.

Net income for the six months ended June 30 was $652,000, or 9 cents per

share in comparison to net income for the same period of 1989 or $3,435,000 or 48 cents per share.

Revenues for the six months ended June 30, were $8,061,000 compared to $16,149,000 for the same period in 1989. All per share amounts in this release reflect the adjustment of previously reported amounts for the effect of the 1 for 4 reverse split which became effective on Aug. 1.

The anticipated decline in revenues and earnings in the quarter and the six months ended June 30, was primarily related to lower scheduled deliveries and delivery prices in the first half of this year as compared to the last year's first half.

The company indicated that it expects deliveries for the full year to be comparable to 1989 with the third quarter of this year being the most profitable quarter.

The second quarter also reflected an unusual write off of $327,000 of capitalized costs associated with a prior credit facility, which was replaced by the Citibank facility in May 1990.

Commenting on the quarterly results, Raymond G. Larson, CEO, said ''We continue to look forward to very solid year in 1990 with results comparable to 1989, and a further improvement in 1991. We are encouraged by the continued tightening of supplies available in the spot market for uranium which has resulted in uranium spot price increases from $8.70 per pound in February 1990 to $11.70 per pound currently.

''We believe that a continuation of this trend will assist us in obtaining additional contracts for deliveries in future years. Our efforts this year continue to be focused on our major projects, including putting our Rosita property into production early in the fourth quarter continuing our aggressive marketing efforts and continuing to prepare the New Mexico properties for production over the next few years.''

URI sells uranium to utilities under long-term contracts. At June 30, the company had contracted deliveries of over $100 million through 1997 under its six existing contracts at average selling prices of over $20 per pound.

Uranium Resources Inc. is a Dallas-based uranium mining company, whose shares trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol URX and on NASDAQ under the symbol URIXD. The company's warrants and units trade on NASDAQ under the symbols URIWD and URIUD, respectively. The company produces uranium in South Texas using low cost in situ solution mining techniques, and holds substantial uranium reserves in New Mexico.

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G. Michael Moore, 303/291-9550 (in Denver)

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DFW AIRPORT, TEXAS (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - American Airlines Inc. flew 7.2 billion revenue passenger miles in July, making it the third largest traffic volume month in the airline's history.

Two of the top 10 traffic days, July 12 and July 26, occurred last month.

For the first seven months of the year, American's passenger traffic was up 4.3 percent.

On the cargo side, American continued its outstanding performance. In July, freight alone increased 18.9 percent; for the seven-month period it was up 19.8 percent.

''There are some bright spots in the picture, in spite of the fact that overall passenger traffic was flat,'' said Michael W. Gunn, senior vice president-marketing. ''Our international traffic increased 28.1 percent year over year. European traffic remains strong, and early results from our South American start-up, which began in July, are encouraging.

''In addition, July 1989 traffic was artificially inflated by the 'Kids Fly Free' promotion -- which was not repeated this summer.''

American's available seat miles increased 7.2 percent in July, to 10.9 billion from 10.1 billion. Passenger boardings for the month were down 5.6 percent, to 6,575,230 from 6,964,833. The July system load factor of 66.8 percent was a 4.8 point drop from last year's 71.6 percent.

For the year-to-date period, American's revenue passenger miles were 44.16 billion, up 4.3 percent from last year's 42.32 billion. Available seat miles jumped 6.8 percent for the seven months, to 70.50 billion from 66.03 billion. The system load factor was down 1.5 points to 62.6 percent from 64.1 percent. Passenger boardings were up 1.8 percent to 42,453,151 from 41,682,156.

American's freight ton miles increased 18.9 percent in July, from 55.0 million to 65.5 million. System mail ton miles totalled 20.3 million in July, an 8.2 percent increase from 18.7 million a year ago.

CONTACT: American Airlines, DFW Airport
Mary O'Neill, 817/967-1587

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BOSTON, Mass. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of The Pioneer Group, Inc. (NASDAQ:PIOG) declared a quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share, payable September 14, 1990 to shareholders of record September 4, 1990.

This is the 46th consecutive quarter that the Company will have paid a dividend. Dividends declared or paid to date in 1990 total 60 cents per share. The indicated annual rate for 1990 is 80 cents per share. Dividends totaled 77 cents per share in 1989.

Pioneer Group also announced that its 90% owned subsidiary, Teberebie Goldfields, Ltd. (''TGL''), has experienced delays in gold production at its mine in Tarkwa, Ghana. Sandy, weathered surface ore has proven to be less permeable than necessary for adequate leaching and is being replaced on the leaching pad by coarser ore from below the surface. It had been hoped that the surface ore, which is of a relatively higher grade and required no crushing, would have permitted TGL to commence gold production even before the crusher, agglomerater and stacking conveyor sytems had become fully operational. The surface ore will be stockpiled for processing in the future, when it can be agglomerated and/or mixed with coarser ore. Gold production, which had been expected to commence this summer, will be postponed until at least the fourth quarter, with significant production now scheduled to commence in 1991. Notwithstanding this delay, an unusually mild rainy season has permitted mine development personnel to make great strides toward the completion of the mine and all related facilities and the Company continues to expect that the mine will be operating at full capacity in the second half of 1991.

The Company is primarily an investment manager for the Pioneer Mutual Funds (the ''Funds'') and various private accounts. The Company also distributes shares of the Funds, provides shareholder services to the Funds and serves as trustee for retirement plans and accounts for shareholders of the Funds. In addition, the Company makes venture capital investments and is majority owner of Teberebie Goldfields Limited, a venture formed to mine gold from government-granted concessions in Ghana.

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The Pioneer Group, Inc. (617) 742-7825

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NEW ALBANY, Ind. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Robinson Nugent Inc. (OTC:RNIC) reported net sales of $14,294,000 for its fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, up 3 percent over sales of $13,804,000, a year ago.

Net income for the quarter was $95,000, or 2 cents per share, compared to $515,000, or 9 cents per share, in the prior year.

Net sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, were $55,031,000, an increase of 3 percent over sales of $53,149,000 in the prior year. Net income for the year was $696,000, or 13 cents per share, compared to $1,950,000, or 33 cents per share, for the prior year.

The operating results for the three months and twelve months ended June 30 1990, were adversely affected from lower gross margins. The electronic connector industry is generally characterized as having excess manufacturing capacity, which has caused higher costs for the company and pricing pressures from the marketplace.

The operating results for the year included a one-time pretax charge of $650,000 from a settlement agreement with the company's former president and chief executive officer, who resigned in January 1990, and other one-time charges for various consulting engagements.

Other nonoperating income declined on a year-to-date basis from a reduced level of short-term investment income and currency losses on business transactions in several European currencies.

In addition, net income for the year ended June 30, 1990, included an income tax benefit of $382,000, a change in estimated taxes provided in prior years due to an extended income tax holiday granted to the company's operations in Switzerland.

Unshippped customer orders at June 30, 1990, were $11.7 million, compared to $11.9 million a year ago. Incoming orders for the year amounted to $54.8 million, compared to $53.5 million for the prior year.

The company believes its growth in sales for the year was comparable to activity in the industry as a whole. In anticipation of a continuance of current market conditions, particularly in the United States, the company is reducing costs and its investments in inventories. A number of new products has been intiated with introductions planned in the first quarter of fiscal year 1991.

Short-term financial benefits from these new products will be minor; however, it is expected these new products will contribute to the company's long-term performance.

Robinson Nugent Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets electronic connectors, integrated circuit sockets and cable assemblies. Its products are sold throughout the world for use by manufacturers of computers, telecommunications equipment, automobiles and industrial controls, and a wide variety of other products to interconnect components of electronic systems.

CONTACT: Robinson Nugent, New Albany Larry W. Burke or Clifford G. Boggs, 812/945-0211

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#90218b0830 08/06/1990 ~Business Wire

NEWTOWN, PA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Tseng Labs (NASDAQ/NMS:TSNG) Monday announced results for the three and six months ended June 30. Second quarter revenues increased to $9,723,085 from $9,427,652 in the comparable period last year. Net income was $1,627,750 or $.09 per share compared to $1,759,157 or $.10 per share in the second quarter last year, the best quarter in the company's history.

Revenues for the first half of 1990 were $18,001,833, compared to $18,449,504 in the same period last year. Net income was $2,864,040 or $.16 per share versus $3,355,433 or $.18 per share in the comparable prior year period.

Jack H-N Tseng, president, commented, ''The second quarter continued to demonstrate the strong recovery that the company has made from the second half of 1989. Strong bookings and positive customer response continue for our new VGA products, based on the ET4000, which according to industry experts is the fastest and most sophisticated VGA controller available.

''Design 'wins' with the ET4000 have effectively doubled our VGA OEM customer base, and we expect significant additions to that base during the balance of the year.''

Tseng continued, ''Given the strong demand for ET4000 based products and the new OEM customers recently signed-up, assuming we receive the necessary delivery of chips from our semiconductor manufacturers, the second half of the 1990, and particularly the fourth quarter when the full impact of ET4000 market share gains begin to be experienced, will be substantially ahead of last year's comparable periods and should compare favorably to the first half of 1990.''

Tseng Labs, Inc. is a manufacturer of custom VLSI graphics chips and board level add-on enhancement products for personal computers.

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or
The Equity Group Inc., New York
Bob Goldstein, 212/371-8660.

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#90218b0832 08/06/1990 ~Business Wire

HOUSTON (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Tescorp Inc. (NASDAQ:TESVC) Monday reported net income for its first quarter ended June 30 of $379,000, or 5 cents per share, compared with net income of $136,000, or 2 cents per share, for the first three months of last year.

Revenues increased to $6,165,000 for the first quarter, or about 20 percent, from $5,096,000 in the comparable period last year.

According to C. Robert Bunch, president and chief executive officer of Tescorp, the favorable results are attributable to improved performance by the company's geophysical products segment.

Bunch said, ''We are very pleased with the performance of our geophysical products segment, especially given the continued low level of worldwide seismic activity. Our oil and gas production products segment had acceptable revenue growth and is taking steps to reduce costs and improve profitability.''

As previously announced, Tescorp completed its acquisition of substantially all of the assets of American Century Corp. (NYSE:ACT) on July 11 in exchange for shares of Tescorp common stock, series 1990 preferred stock, and warrants to purchase common stock.

These securities will be distributed to American Century's debentureholders and shareholders of record as of July 11 pursuant to American Century's Plan of Reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

Tescorp securities currently trade on the NASD Automated Quotations (''NASDAQ'') system under the symbols TESVC for its common stock, TEPVC for its preferred stock, and TEWVC for the warrants.

CONTACT: Tescorp Inc., Houston
C. Robert Bunch, 713/462-0867.

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#90218b0846 08/06/1990 ~Business Wire

HERNDON, Va. (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - C3 Inc., a metropolitan Washington-based systems integrator, announced Monday that it had completed the previously announced major financial recapitalization with its shareholders and banks.

The recapitalization infuses new equity capital into the company to enable it to continue to grow and by converting a major portion of its debt into equity.

Under the agreement, C3's common stockholders injected $3 million of cash

into the company for preferred stock. Also, a significant amount of the company's subordinated debt was converted into preferred stock, including a series of preferred stock convertible into 30 percent of the company's common stock.

As a result of the recapitalization, in addition to the company's working capital facility ($6.1 million at June 30), the company's long-term debt consists solely of (i) $6,750,000 in three year senior notes and (ii) $19,500,000 in five year senior debentures. The new series of preferred stock issued in the recapitalization has a face value totalling in excess of $40 million and will be senior to the company's publicly traded preferred stock.

''The completion of this recapitalization, which provides new equity and a substantially reduced debt load, coupled with the company's all time high funded order backlog of $40.9 million, positions the company for future success in the government, applications and systems integration markets,'' stated the company's chairman, Fred Knoll.

C3 Inc. is a custom integrator of mini and microcomputer products and systems for the public and private sectors.

CONTACT: C3 Inc., Herndon; Terrence P. Ford, 703/471-6000

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:35 that trade in Pacific Nuclear Systems (NASDAQ: PACN) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 4 5/8. The company is located in Federal Way, WA.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows High Point Financial Corp. earned $30,000, or $0.06 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $588,000, or $0.45 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Monarch Avalon Inc.(TICKER: MAHI) lost $357,000, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $7.15 million for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $342,000, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $7.58 million in fiscal 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Le Peep Restaurants Inc. lost $470,275, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $4.60 million for the quarter ended June 16, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $493,595, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $3.98 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90218c0008 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Food Lion Inc.(TICKER: FDLN) earned $40.84 million, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $1.27 billion for the 12-week period ended June 16, 1990.

This compares with net income of $31.97 million, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $1.07 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90218c0009 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Commercial Bancorporation of Colorado(TICKER: CBOC) earned $267,660, or $0.16 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $265,391, or $0.17 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90218c0010 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Cosmetic & Fragrance Concepts Inc.(TICKER: COSF) earned $302,000, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $18.09 million for the quarter ended June 29, 1990.

This compares with net income of $155,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $16.20 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90218c0011 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY EGS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 1,372,750 SHARES (10.73%) OF ARTAGRAPH REPRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: XART) OF MARKHAM, CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 23, 1990, EGS Associates LP purchased 30.57 investment units from Artagraph Reproduction Technology Inc. in a private placement pursuant to a subscription agreement for $50,000 per unit. Each unit consists of 20,000 common shares and 10,000 warrants.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From June 5 to July 10, 1990, EGS Associates LP purchased 232,750 shares for $2.41 to $2.69 per share and sold 217,750 shares for $2.35 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 852
#90218c0012 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY D. BLECH OWNS 5,439,228 SHARES (29.50%) OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP (TICKER: BTGC) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 20, 1990, Mr. Blech purchased 166,666 units for $3 per unit. Each unit consists of one common share and one half of a warrant, for a total of 166,666 common shares and 83,333 warrants, exercisable at $6 per share until Feb. 20, 1990.

-30- 596
#90218c0014 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GROUP LED BY TRIZEC INVESTMENTS CORP OF SAN DIEGO, CA OWNS 14,052,602 SHARES (27.50%) OF ROUSE CO (TICKER: ROUS) OF COLUMBIA, MD.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On May 10, 1990, pursuant to an exchange agreement, Amdyx NV transferred all the shares of Hemmo Investments NV, valued at $1.2 million, to Trizec Investments in exchange for 1,200 redeemable preferred shares of Trizec. On May 15, 1990, Hemmo assigned all its assets to Trizec and was dissolved. The assets included Rouse debentures and Rouse prior debentures, which are convertible into 3,048,449 Rouse common shares.

PURPOSE:

Corporate reorganization.

-30- 826
#90218c0015 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY HOS PARTNERS LP OWNS 3,807,147 SHARES (39.14%) OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICE INC (TICKER: HOSS) OF GALVESTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 25, 1990, HOS-2 converted all its series 2 stock into 931,579 common shares. Pursuant to a voting agreement between HOS and Larry D. Hornbeck, each of HOS and Mr. Hornbeck have agreed that they will each designate one of Hornbeck Offshore Service Inc.'s six directors as long as they hold a certain number of shares of the issuer and that the holders of the 1989 preferred stock can also designate one director.

PURPOSE:

Conversion of stock.

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#90218c0016 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 7,160,687 SHARES (8.57%) OF CENTEL CORPORATION (TICKER: CNT) OF CHICAGO, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 4 and Aug. 1, 1990 Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 293,901 shares at $30.50 to $37.25 per share and sold 159,126 shares at $30.63 to $39.10 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 560
#90218c0017 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 766,800 SHARES (14.98%) OF CTS CORP (TICKER: CTS) OF ELKHART, IN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 5 and Aug. 1, 1990 Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 55,200 shares at $20.63 to $22.25 each and sold 26,715 shares at $20.44 to $22.25 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 517
#90218c0018 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY G.B. CLAIRMONT TRUST MAY 8 1951 OWNS 1,500 SHARES (.06%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 1, 1990 WG Signal LP exercised the class B option to purchase 472,500 class B common shares at $6.15 per share. As a result of the transaction, the shareholders agreement was terminated and none of G.B. Clairemont Trust May 8 1951 other than Jacobs beneficially owns any shares.

-30- 648
#90218c0019 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:05 that trade in Pacific Nuclear Systems (NASDAQ: PACN) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/2; down 1 1/8 points from the halt and from the previous close.

-30- 361
#90218c0020 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The NASD that trade in La-z Boy Chair Co. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Trading was resumed at 12:11.

-30- 315
#90218c0022 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 13, 1990, Scottish Heritable Trust plc(TICKER: SHER) and its wholly owned subsidiary, SHT Holdings Inc., filed a complaint for compensatory, punitive and treble damages in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas against its former auditors, Peat Marwick Main & Co. and

KPMG Peat Marwick.

Collectively, Scottish Heritable Trust plc and SHT Holdings own 50.02 percent of the outstanding common stock of Scottish Heritable Trust Inc., the company which submitted this 8-K filing.

The complaint alleges violations of the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, federal securities laws, fraud and negligence in connnection with the audits by Peat Marwick of the financial statements of Scottish Heritable Trust PLC for the fiscal year ending July 31, 1988 and prior years.

Scottish Heritable Trust Inc. is not a party to this litigation.

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#90218c0023 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 23, 1990, Nelson Peltz and Peter W. May, Avery Inc's (TICKER: AVRY) controlling stockholders, proposed to Averry Inc.a transaction in which they would acquire the 17 percent of the shares of Avery Inc.'s outstanding common stock not presently owned by them for $0.35 per share in cash.

Avery's executive office is located at 900 Third Ave., New York, NY 10022 and its telephone number is (212) 230-3190.

-30- 654

#90218c0024 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows World-Wide Technology Inc.(TICKER: WOTK) reporting it had previously concluded a financing agreement with a principal supplier for World-Wide's Princeton Graphics division.

Under such agreement, the supplier agreed to provide World-Wide with a $2 million line of credit and a $5 million secured guaranty of World-Wide's bank indebtedness to enable World-Wide to secure new bank financing in an amount sufficient to repay World-Wide's current revolving credit facility.

World-Wide reports in its 8-K filing that despite repeated requests, the supplier refused to provide the financing specified in the agreement.

On July 23, 1990, World-Wide notified the supplier of its decision to terminate the financing agreement and the supply agreement.

World-Wide reports it is pursuing a similar transaction with other major suppliers to the Princeton Graphics division. Concurrently, World-Wide is

negotiating for a new revolving line of credit with several financial institutions.

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#90218c0025 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 17, 1990, Children's Discovery Centers of America Inc.(TICKER: CDCR) announced it had adopted a plan to sell its wholly-owned subsidiary, Mary Moppet's Day Care Schools Inc.

Children's Discovery reports this will result in a charge to earnings for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 of between $1.8 million and $2 million.

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#90218c0026 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 18, 1990, Mark A. Meyer resigned as a director of Zenox Inc. (TICKER: ZENO).

In his letter of resignation, Mr. Meyer asserted certain disagreements with management of Zenox with respect to its operations, policies and practices.

The 8-K filing adds Mr. Meyer submitted a narrative explanation to rationalize and justify his decision, most of which Zenox claims it disputes.

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#90218c0027 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 31, 1990, Phonetel Technologies Inc.(TICKER: PNTL) announced William D. Moses resigned from Phonetel Technologies Inc.'s board of directors.

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#90218c0028 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 20, 1990, Corporate Investment Co.(TICKER: CICO) retained Ernst & Young as its independent accountants, replacing MacDade Abbott & Co.

MacDade Abbot & Co's report on Corporate Investment Co.'s financial statements for the years ended Dec. 31, 1988 and 1989 contained a going concern qualification because of Corporate Investment Co.'s operating losses.

-30- 574
#90218c0030 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - Petromet Resources Ltd.(TICKER: PNTG) filed a Form 20-F with the NASD stating it lost $813,900, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $385,887 for the fiscal year ended Jan. 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.51 million, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $583,017 in fiscal 1989.

-30- 458
#90218c0031 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on May 31, 1990, Roger V. Davidson resigned as a director of Malibu Inc. and on June 25, 1990, Sherylyn Renwick also resigned as a director of Malibu.

As a result of these resignations, Robert A. Strahl, who is also the president and holder of 9.38 percent of Malibu's outstanding shares, is the sole remaining director and has the power to appoint directors to fill the vacancies on the board.

The resignations were not due to any disagreement with Malibu Inc. as relating to operations, policies or practices.

Malibu's executive office is located at P.O. Box 222639, Carmel, CA 93922 and its telephone number is (408) 625-5665.

-30- 878
#90218c0032 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 24, 1990, Bancorp Hawaii Inc. completed its acquisition of FirstFed America Inc.(TICKER: FFA).

Bancorp Hawaii paid $38.50 for each share of FirstFed stock outstanding.

-30- 393
#90218c0033 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 19, 1990, Tellus Industries Inc.,(TICKER: TLLS) through a foreclosure sale, disposed of the Aloha Mobile Home Park in North Las Vegas, Nevada.

The mobile home park, consisting of 20 acres, was carried on Tellus' assets at $1.50 million.

The affect of the disposition is to reduce Tellus' investments in real estate assets by $1.50 million and to reduce total liabilities by $1.64 million.

The executive office of Tellus is located at 323 North Stewart St., Carson City, Nevada 89701 and its telephone number is (702) 883-3663.

-30- 767
#90218c0034 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

M. MORROW OF BROOKFIELD, CONNECTICUT OWNS 285,779 SHARES (6.60%) OF PHOTRONIC INC (TICKER: PLAB) OF BROOKFIELD, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M. Morrow holds the shares as trustee for trusts benefiting Constantine Macricostas and his children.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 25, 1990 kM. Morrow sold 41,466 shares at $9.30 per share.

PURPOSE:

Diversification of investment portfolio.

-30- 594
#90218c0035 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY PRIVATE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC OWNS 172,400 SHARES (6.29%) OF GREAT BAY BANKSHARES INC (TICKER: GBBS) OF DOVER, NH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 11, 1990 and July 23, 1990 Private Capital Management Inc. purchased 28,200 shares at $6.58 to $6.79 per share.

-30- 491
#90218c0036 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

N.D. GROSS OWNS 324,843 SHARES (12.67%) OF BELL SAVINGS HOLDINGS INC (TICKER: BSBX) OF UPPER DARBY, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

N.D. Gross's holding includes 100,271 shares held by his wife. On Feb. 14, 1990 N.D. Gross was granted two options to purchase a total of 12,500 shares at $5.13 per share, each exercisable for nine years commencing Feb. 14, 1991.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 12, 1990 N.D. Gross's wife purchased 75,000 shares at $1.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Long term investment.

-30- 722
#90218c0038 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Gabelli Group received $37,622,000 in cash in exchange for their total of 723,500 common shares in a tender offer effected at $52 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 18 and July 24, 1990, Gabelli Group purchased 34,600 shares at a price of $51.75 per share.

-30- 497
#90218c0039 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 502,763 SHARES (10.02%) OF CURTISS WRIGHT CORP (TICKER: CW) OF LYNDHURST, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between May 17 and Aug. 1, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 70,200 shares at a price of $63.12 to $69 per share and sold 19,087 shares at a price of $66 to $70.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment

-30- 580
#90218c0040 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.D.HUBBARD OWNS 391,882 SHARES (9.90%) OF HOLLYWOOD PARK REALTY ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: HTRFZ) OF INGLEWOOD, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The shares were purchased for the purpose of seeking to influence the operation of Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises Inc. and Hollywood Park Operating Co. R.D. Hubbard intends to seek representation on the boards of both companies for himself and his nominees, and possible to obtain control of such boards.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 19 and July 31, 1990, R.D. Hubbard purchased 271,983 shares at a price of $26.50 to $30.52 per share.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares to influence company operations.

-30- 884
#90218c0041 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY ATLANTIC DRY DOCK CORP OWNS 48,045 SHARES (7.02%) OF ADDSCO INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: H.AAY) OF MOBILE, AL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 6 1990 and Aug. 2, 1990, Atlantic Dry Dock Corp. purchased 8,584 shares of stock at a price of $11.50 to $12.25 .

-30- 487
#90218c0042 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 28

GROUP LED BY GENEVE CORPORATION OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT OWNS 6,507,148

SHARES (35.80%) OF STAMFORD CAPITAL GROUP INC (TICKER: CGPS) OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective July 27, 1990, Stamford Capital Group Inc. divested the assets of its investment banking division to a private investment group, while retaining a continuing economic interest. Edward Netter assumed the posts of chairman, chief executive officer and president of Stamford Capital Group Inc. with full management authority over all sectors of Stamford Capital Group Inc.

PURPOSE:

Divestment of assets.

-30- 817
#90218c0043 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

B. RITZENTHALER OWNS 67,858 SHARES (5.20%) OF LYNCH CORPORATION (TICKER: LGL) OF GREENWICH, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

B. Ritzenthaler has purchased 4,300 shares of common stock for $15.75 to $21.50 per share and 25,000 principal amount of convertible debentures for $18,475.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 519
#90218c0044 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY KELSO MANAGEMENT CO INC OWNS 294,200 SHARES (8.30%) OF CARVER CORP (TICKER: CAVR) OF LYNNWOOD, WA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 12, 1990, Kelso Management Co Inc. purchased 20,000 shares for $4.30 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares.

-30- 470
#90218c0046 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 199,200 SHARES (5.60%) OF CARVER CORP (TICKER: CAVR) OF LYNNWOOD, WA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 13-30, 1990, Fidelity International LTD purchased 20,700 shares for $4.05 to $4.30 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares.

-30- 485
#90218c0047 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

B.B. ZICARI OWNS 3,702,568 SHARES (7.60%) OF OTC AMERICA INC (TICKER: OTCA) OF ROCHESTER, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

In May of 1990, B.B. Zicari purchased 2,205,568 shares for $50.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares for investment.

-30- 444
#90218c0048 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND L P OWNS 416,000 SHARES (12.20%) OF WHITEHALL CORP (TICKER: WHT) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 1-2, 1990, Cambridge Capital Fund LP purchased 43,400 shares for $11.75 to $12 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares.

-30- 502
#90218c0049 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY FLF ASSOC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 6,490,020 SHARES (8.90%) OF BANK OF BOSTON CORP (TICKER: BKB) OF BOSTON, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Dec. 27, 1990 to Aug. 2, 1990, FLF Associates purchased approximately 2,688,520 shares and sold approximately 935,900 shares for $9.88 to $19.50 per share.

-30- 514
#90218c0050 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 6) COMTEX - Eagle Financial Corp.,(TICKER: EAG) the Bristol, Conn. holding company for Bristol Federal Savings Bank and Torrington, Conn.-based First Federal Savings and Loan Association, said it will buy back up to 10 percent of its common shares on the open market and in negotiated transactions over the next year, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 3, 1990

-30- 632
#90218c0051 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 6) COMTEX - Scottish Heritable Trust P.L.C. and its wholly owned SHT Holdings (US) Inc.(TICKER: SHER) unit, which owns a controlling 50.02 percent interest in Fairfax, Va.-based Scottish Heritable Inc., have filed a racketeering suit against its former auditors, KPMG Peat Marwick, in connection with Peat Marwick's audit of the Fairfax company for 1988 and prior years.

The suit, filed July 13 in federal court in Texas, alleges violations of federal securities laws, fraud and negligence by Peat Marwick, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Scottish Heritable Inc., a maker of kitchen appliances, was formerly known as Rangaire Corp.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 3, 1990

-30- 939
#90218c0052 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 6) COMTEX - Houston-based Commonwealth Mortgage of America L.P.(TICKER: CMA) has agreed to sell its mortgage-servicing operations and $7.2 billion mortgage-servicing portfolio to Barron Financial Group Inc. and Castine Partners Ltd.

The sale will include Commonwealth Mortgage's data-processing center, owned by Commonwealth Federal Savings Assoc., and other assets, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 3, 1990

-30- 693
#90218c0056 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

R.B. MARCUS OWNS 25,200 SHARES (4.64%) OF STEPHAN CO (TICKER: STCP) OF FT. LAUDERDALE, FL.

PURPOSE:

Decrease of investment in Stephan Co.

-30- 344
#90218c0057 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY FINANCIAL EQUITIES FUND OWNS 117,193 SHARES (9.77%) OF WORKINGMENS CORP (TICKER: WCBK) OF BOSTON, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Financial Equities Fund purchased 15,000 shares from July 11-23, 1990 for $1.38 to $2.44 per share.

-30- 454
#90218c0058 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a settlement agreement dated July 27, 1990, Acclaim Entertainment has agreed to waive contractual time restrictions governing MCA's sale of its 1.2 million common shares and register such shares for sale. Acclaim Entertainment also agreed to sell certain receivables and inventory of LJN Toys Ltd. to MCA in return for $1 million and to arrange to have the underwriters pay Acclaim Entertainment for (1) the proceeds from the sale of the lesser of 181,818 of Acclaim Entertainment's shares or the number of shares determined by dividing $2 million by the public offering price of the common shares and (2) an amount equal to 60 percent of the amount by which the offering proceeds of the balance of the shares exceed $9.25 per share. The termination date for such transfer is Nov. 30, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Settlement agreement.

-30- 1070
#90218c0059 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 5, 1990, AAC extended its offer from Aug. 3 to Aug. 6, 1990.

-30- 264
#90218c0060 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:23 that trade in Eldon Industries Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol ELD.

-30- 320
#90218c0061 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mexco Energy Corp. lost $22,133, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $73,041 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $5,904, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $61,104 for the same period in 1989. .stx

BF ENTERPRISES EARNS $758,000 IN SECOND QUARTER

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows BF Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: BFEN) earned $758,000 (including an income tax credit of $791,000), or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $536,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $244,000, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $585,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 863
#90218c0062 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Butler National Corp.(TICKER: BUTL) lost $993,710, or $0.27 per share, on revenues of $3.45 million for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $3.16 million ($1.22 million loss from discontinued operations), or $0.86 per share, on revenues of $5.17 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 513
#90218c0064 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows CFS Financial Corp. (TICKER: CFSC) announced on July 31, 1990 it earned $3.6 million, or $1.20 per share, for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $5 million, or $1.66 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90218c0065 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 30, 1990, Varity Corp.(TICKER: VAT) appointed KPMG Peat Marwick as its independent accountants, replacing Ernst & Young.

For the previous two fiscal years, there were no disagreements between those former auditors and Varity Corp.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90218c0066 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Water Resources Inc.(TICKER: WATR) lost $523,146, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $2,188 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $267,201, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $53,493 for the same period in 1989.

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#90218c0067 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Corporate Software Inc.(TICKER: CSOF) earned $2.31 million, or $0.45 per share, on revenues of $47.59 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.96 million, or $0.39 per share, on revenues of $30.74 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90218c0068 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Liposome Co. Inc.(TICKER: LIPO) lost $1.71 million, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $1.03 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.19 million, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $1.02 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 485
#90218c0069 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Great Northern Gas Co. earned $6,572, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $59,572 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $29,117, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $95,225 for the same period in 1989.

The executive office of Great Northern Gas is located at 621 Seventeenth Street, Suite 2150, Denver, Colorado 80293 and its telephone number is (303) 295-0938.

-30- 627
#90218c0070 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Medalist Industries Inc.(TICKER: MDIN) earned $704,000, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $28.70 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $494,000, or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $31.84 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 482
#90218c0072 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Scanforms Inc.(TICKER: SCFM) earned $385,640, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $16.95 million for the quarter ended July 1, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $129,296, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $16.03 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 472
#90218c0073 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows M. Kamenstein Inc.(TICKER: MKCO) earned $252,000, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $6.19 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $14,000 ($202,000 loss from discontinued operations), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $6.14 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 513
#90218c0074 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Matthews Studio Equipment Group (TICKER: MATT) earned $180,648, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $5.86 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $196,584, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.89 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 501

#90218c0075 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 2:

Bird Medical Technologies Inc. (BMTI)
Medical Care International Inc. - Conv. sub. dbs. due 2015 (MEDCG)
PCC Group Inc. (PCCG)

The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 1:

Pit Stop Auto Centers Inc. (PSAC), Wts 7/31/95 (PSACW)

-30- 494

#90218c0076 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 3:

Nam Tai Electronics Inc. (NTAIF); Issue postponed, security never quoted
Taurus Petroleum Inc. (TAUR); Insuff. No. of active market makers

The following issues were deleted from NASDAQ effective Aug. 2:

Ilio Inc. - Units 10/25/92 (ILIOU); Company request
Integon Corp. (ITGN); Acquired by Jupiter Industries Inc.
Millfeld Trading Co. Inc. - Units 1/22/94 (SHOEU); Company request

-30- 622

#90218c0077 08/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) COMTEX - The following issues will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Aug. 6:

CCR Inc. - New (CCRCD) to CCR Inc. (CCRC)

Warrantech Corp. (WTEC) to Warrantech Corp. - New (1 for 10 reverse split) (WTECD)

-30- 360
#90218c0078 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G.L. SPANGLER OF 109 MASSACHUSETTS AVE, CHERRY HILL, NJ 08002, HAS FILED TO SELL 38,700 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL GAMING MANAGEMENT(TICKER: INGM) THROUGH VANDERBILT SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 31, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL GAMING MANAGEMENT TEL: 612 542-1410)

-30- 460
#90218c0080 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E.G. VIMOND JR OF P O BOX 252, FAR HILLS, NJ 07930, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF BELMAC CORP. (TICKER: BEMC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 25, 1990.

(BELMAC CORP. TEL: 813 286-4401)

-30- 382
#90218c0081 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - N.GREENE OF P O BOX 28205, STATION 16, LAKEWOOD, CO 80228, HAS FILED TO SELL 321,000 SHARES OF COPILOT ELECTRONIC PRODTS INC. THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 23, 1990.

(COPILOT ELECTRONIC PRODTS INC. TEL: 913 780-1221)

-30- 442
#90218c0082 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P.J. CONNERS OF 8 VICTORIA PLACE, LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ 08648, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF COLLEGE BOUND INC. (TICKER: CLBD) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 24, 1990.

(COLLEGE BOUND INC. TEL: 305 587-9110)

-30- 410
#90218c0083 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.P.C. OVERTON OF 7720 E BELLEVIEW AVE, BLDG 46-B, SUITE 200, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,511 SHARES OF SCORPION TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SCPN) THROUGH RAF FINANCIAL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 23, 1990.

(SCORPION TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 452-0700)

-30- 469
#90218c0084 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.J. HOLLADAY OF 1556 WEST 1170 N, PROVO, UT 84604, HAS FILED TO SELL 140,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN CONSOLIDATED MINING CO. THROUGH WASATCH STOCK TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 23, 1990.

(AMERICAN CONSOLIDATED MINING CO. TEL: 801 785-7536)

-30- 444
#90218c0085 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - N.A. KINDWALL OF 3299 BRIGEGATE DR, JUPITER, FL 33347, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF COLLEGE BOUND INC. (TICKER: CLBD) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 23, 1990.

(COLLEGE BOUND INC. TEL: 305 587-9110)

-30- 406
#90218c0086 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.M. WENGER OF 3616 TURBRIDGE RD, BURTONSVILLE, MD 20866, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ALPHA OMEGA CAPITAL INC.(TICKER: ALOC) THROUGH PARSONS SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 23, 1990.

(ALPHA OMEGA CAPITAL INC. TEL: 301 890-7399)

-30- 431
#90218c0088 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H.W. GORDEN OF 5291 NORTH MESA DR, CASTLE ROCK, CO 80104, HAS FILED TO SELL 500,000 SHARES OF ENERCORP INC.(TICKER: ENEI) THROUGH VENTURE

TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 23, 1990.

(ENERCORP INC. TEL: 303 796-8940)

-30- 402
#90218c0089 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.J. ILLIES OF P O BOX 434, BOVEY, MN 55709, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. THROUGH VAN CLEMENS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 23, 1990.

(CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. TEL: 612 941-5093)

-30- 413
#90218c0090 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. STANLEY A TTEE OF 30152 AVENTURA, RANCHO SANTA MARGUER, CA 92688, HAS FILED TO SELL 39,262 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL FOOD & BEVERAGE IN THROUGH FLINT,KRUEGER,BEIMFOHR. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 23, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL FOOD & BEVERAGE IN TEL: 714 858-8800)

-30- 466
#90218c0091 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G.L. ROBINSON OF 14110 EAST DICKENSON DR #F, AURORA, CO 80014, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF PATRIOT FINANCIAL CORP. THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 23, 1990.

(PATRIOT FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 619 679-0504)

-30- 422
#90218c0092 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - N.E. BUCHANAN OF 1990 PHEASANT CIRCLE, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84121, HAS FILED TO SELL 28,000 SHARES OF MICROSHARE CORP.(TICKER: MRSH) THROUGH WASATCH STOCK TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 23, 1990.

(MICROSHARE CORP. TEL: 801 262-6755)

-30- 418
#90218c0093 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H.D. GAREY OF 2300 S E BALBOA DR, 0, VANCOUVER, WA 98684, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,500 SHARES OF ELMER'S RESTAURANTS INC.(TICKER: ELMS) THROUGH PAULSON INVESTMENT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 24, 1990.

(ELMER'S RESTAURANTS INC. TEL: 503 252-1485)

-30- 430
#90218c0094 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - N.G. WILSON OF 5401 GAMBLE DR, ST LOUIS PARK, MN 55416, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL TEXAS INDUSTRIES INC THROUGH MARCHE SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 23, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL TEXAS INDUSTRIES INC TEL: 512 646-0711)

-30- 436
#90218c0096 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.H. MOTEN OF 5700 TRAIL CREST, ARLINGTON, TX 76011, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF QUASAR-TECH INC. THROUGH KNIBBE FNCL GRP INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 31, 1990.

(QUASAR-TECH INC. TEL: 817 261-5353)

-30- 388
#90218c0097 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.F. KUNETKA OF 2230 ELSINORE RD, RIVERSIDE, CA 92506, HAS FILED TO SELL 400,000 SHARES OF RAMEX SYNFUELS INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: RAMS) THROUGH GORIAN THORNES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 31, 1990.

(RAMEX SYNFUELS INTERNATIONAL INC TEL: 501 474-7906)

-30- 453

#90218c0098 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. BERGSTROM OF 1218 SKIPWORTH RD SOUTH, SPOKANE, WA 99206, HAS FILED TO SELL 52,000 SHARES OF SILVER HILL MINES INC.(TICKER: SLVH) THROUGH DILLON SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 31, 1990.

(SILVER HILL MINES INC. TEL: 509 325-1939)

-30- 421
#90218c0099 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G.B. GUSTAFSON OF 751 ESTER WAY, REDLANDS, CA 92373, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF RAMEX SYNFUELS INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: RAMS) THROUGH GORIAN THORNES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 30, 1990.

(RAMEX SYNFUELS INTERNATIONAL INC TEL: 501 474-7906)

-30- 450
#90218c0100 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.A. FREEDMAN OF 12455 SPRING CREEK RD, PARKER, CO 80134, HAS FILED TO SELL 730,000 SHARES OF ENERCORP INC.(TICKER: ENEI) THROUGH HASAN GROWNEY INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 1, 1990.

(ENERCORP INC. TEL: 303 796-8940)

-30- 400
#90218c0101 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OTTO F GROTE OF 141 EAST 89TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10128, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,316 SHARES OF RE CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: RCC) THROUGH DERBY SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(RE CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 203 991-6100)

-30- 401
#90218c0102 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID E MELIN OF 3551 NW 116TH ST, MIAMI, FL 33167, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF SCORE BOARD INC. (TICKER: BSBL) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(SCORE BOARD INC. TEL: 609 354-9000)

-30- 403
#90218c0104 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E JONES WARREN OF 800 LAKEWOOD CIRCLE PO #706, BLAKELY, GA 31723, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,300 SHARES OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(WALBRO CORP. TEL: 517 872-2131)

-30- 404
#90218c0105 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LASER INDUSTRIES LTD OF P O BOX 13135, 0, TEL-AVIV, ISRAEL, OV 00000 HAS FILED TO SELL 7,800 SHARES OF ETZ LAVUD LTD. (TICKER: ETZ) THROUGH OSCAR GRUSS & SON INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(ETZ LAVUD LTD. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 408
#90218c0106 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM C MILLER OF 4225 HARTWOOD LANE, TAMPA, FL 33624, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF AURORA ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: AURE) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(AURORA ENVIRONMENTAL INC. TEL: 813 961-7885)

-30- 434
#90218c0107 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL LEVKOVITZ OF 12020 SW 63 AVE, MIAMI, FL 33156, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF JETBORNE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: JETS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 30, 1990.

(JETBORNE INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 305 635-6060)

-30- 434
#90218c0108 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PIERCE LIBERMAN OF 121 HUNTER AVE #201, ST LOUIS, MO 63124, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH D E WINE INVESTMENTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 431
#90218c0109 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILIP C HANKINS OF 3501 SCENIC HILLS DR, AUSTIN, TX 78703, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CAMBEX CORP. (TICKER: CBEX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(CAMBEX CORP. TEL: 617 890-6000)

-30- 391
#90218c0110 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK G HUDSON OF 778 KINGSWOOD CT, CINCINNATI, OH 45230, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,065 SHARES OF THE KROGER CO. (TICKER: KR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(THE KROGER CO. TEL: 513 762-4421)

-30- 391
#90218c0112 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C SAGE GIVENS OF 727 ASHBURY ST, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94117, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,222 SHARES OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 30, 1990.

(HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. TEL: 205 967-7116)

-30- 446
#90218c0113 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GREGORY L SMITH OF P O BOX 161652, FORT WORTH, TX 76161, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,333 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 394
#90218c0114 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD C DOLL OF 3003 PINE LAKE TRAIL, HOUSTON, TX 77068, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

-30- 424
#90218c0115 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GALLAGHER FRANCIS L TTEE OF 42660 CHRISTY ST, FREMONT, CA 94538, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,106 SHARES OF POWER SPECTRA INC. (TICKER: PWSP) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(POWER SPECTRA INC. TEL: 415 490-6961)

-30- 432
#90218c0116 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COLON WASHBURN OF 3901 ARNOLD AVE, ROGERS, AR 72756, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(WAL-MART STORES INC. TEL: 501 273-4000)

-30- 412
#90218c0117 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAMILL JOAN B TRUST OF 8501 W HIGGINS RD, CHICAGO, IL 60631, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. TEL: 312 639-3040)

-30- 441
#90218c0118 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C BOARDMAN THOMPSON II OF 4650 BAY BLVD, APT #1035, PORT RICHEY, FL 33568, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,000 SHARES OF RIGHT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS INC (TICKER: RMCI) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(RIGHT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS INC TEL: 215 988-1588)

-30- 480
#90218c0120 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALFRED SHOENBERG OF 156 EAST 79TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,317 SHARES OF GRAHAM-FIELD HEALTH PRODUCTS INC (TICKER: GFI) THROUGH ERNST & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(GRAHAM-FIELD HEALTH PRODUCTS INC TEL: 516 582-5900)

-30- 438
#90218c0121 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MILLER ANDREW W IRREVOCABLE TR OF 4515 HARDING RD STE 300, NASHVILLE TN 37205, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF) THROUGH J C BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. TEL: 615 385-3541)

-30- 480
#90218c0122 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK D JACOBSEN OF 4141 WEST GLENDALE #1101, PHOENIX, AZ 85051, HAS

FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF CARDINAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CRTK) THROUGH SIMMONS & BISHOP CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(CARDINAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 314 821-7322)

-30- 448
#90218c0123 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY E GARBIS OF 7300 SW 142 AVE, MIAMI, FL 33183, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,840 SHARES OF DELTONA CORP. (TICKER: DLT) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(DELTONA CORP. TEL: 305 854-1111)

-30- 392
#90218c0124 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR A BEISANG OF 1300 INGERSON RD, ARDEN HILLS, MN 55112, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BIO VASCULAR INC. (TICKER: BVAS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(BIO VASCULAR INC. TEL: 612 631-3529)

-30- 418
#90218c0125 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS C SANDERS OF 151 STERRITT RUN, WATERLOO, IL 62298, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 314 342-2000)

-30- 422
#90218c0126 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LHS ASSOCIATES & CO OF C/O S SILBERSTEIN, 3 PRIORY CT, MELVILLE, NY 11747, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,305 SHARES OF KITCHEN BAZAAR INC. (TICKER: KBAZ) THROUGH A M LEVINE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(KITCHEN BAZAAR INC. TEL: 301 424-4880)

-30- 440
#90218c0128 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RALPH R STAVEN OF 2617 NAGAWICKA RD, HARTLAND, WI 53029, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF FIRST FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FFHC) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(FIRST FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 715 341-0400)

-30- 422
#90218c0129 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK DONAHUE OF 4241 SE WISCONSIN ST, TOPEKA, KS 66609, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF HERITAGE MEDIA CORP. (TICKER: HTG) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(HERITAGE MEDIA CORP. TEL: 214 702-7380)

-30- 415
#90218c0130 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L HENCLEY OF 1424 INDIAN HILLS CT, 0, ARDEN HILLS, MN 55112, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,333 SHARES OF CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CFER) THROUGH R J STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 303 237-5151)

-30- 449
#90218c0131 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L HENCLEY OF 1424 INDIAN HILLS CT, 0, ARDEN HILLS, MN 55112, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,333 SHARES OF CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CFER) THROUGH R J STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 303 237-5151)

-30- 449
#90218c0132 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTH AMERICAN PARTNERS LP OF ONE RESEARCH WAY, PRINCETON FORRESTAL CTR, PRINCETON, NJ 08540, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF THE LIPOSOME CO. (TICKER: LIPO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(THE LIPOSOME CO. TEL: 609 452-7060)

-30- 456
#90218c0133 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VICTOR A DEROSE OF 7600 SARGENT RD, 0, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46256, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,500 SHARES OF DE ROSE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DRI) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(DE ROSE INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 214 258-0330)

-30- 416
#90218c0134 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DELANO R NELSON OF P O BOX 201057, 0, BLOOMINGTON, MN 55431, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF AMERICAN MEDICAL ELECTRONIC INC. (TICKER: AMEI) THROUGH PARADISE VALLEY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(AMERICAN MEDICAL ELECTRONIC INC. TEL: 214 248-6000)

-30- 460
#90218c0136 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANALYTICAL SURVEYS INC OF 1935 JAMBOREE DR, SUITE 100, COLORADO SPGS CO 80920, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,500 SHARES OF GENERATION 5 TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GFIV) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(GENERATION 5 TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 303 427-0055)

-30- 474
#90218c0137 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY T HOLLEY OF 8 EAST THIRD ST, 0, TULSA, OK 74103, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF PARKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: PKD) THROUGH SOUTHWEST SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(PARKER DRILLING CO. TEL: 918 585-8221)

-30- 411
#90218c0138 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERRY L MCCAULEY OF 4611 S 134TH PLACE, TUKWILA, WA 98168, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASS (TICKER: IDEA) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23 1990.

(INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASS TEL: 206 244-6100)

-30- 466
#90218c0139 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JASON D REID OF 1600 HUDSONS BAY CENTRE, 1600 STOUT ST STE 1600, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,500 SHARES OF U.S. GOLD CORP. (TICKER: USGL) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(U.S. GOLD CORP. TEL: 303 629-1515)

-30- 428
#90218c0140 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SANDERSON PAUL O TRUST OF 21150 HAMBURG AVE SOUTH, LAKEVILLE, MN 55044, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,362 SHARES OF ARDEN INTERNATIONAL KITCHENS INC (TICKER: AIKI) THROUGH R J STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(ARDEN INTERNATIONAL KITCHENS INC TEL: 612 469-2000)

-30- 474
#90218c0141 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARGARET YANCEY OF 404 SOUTH FRYERS CREEK CIRCLE #9, TEMPLE, TX 76504, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(ANGEION CORP. TEL: 612 559-3370)

-30- 411
#90218c0142 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT M GELLER OF 1402 KALMIA AVE, BOULDER, CO 80304, HAS FILED TO SELL 158,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN TOXXIC CONTROL INC. (TICKER: ATCX) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(AMERICAN TOXXIC CONTROL INC. TEL: 714 894-1007)

-30- 438
#90218c0144 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD S KERN OF 7306 NE MEADOWS DR, VANCOUVER, WA 98662, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(ALLWASTE INC. TEL: 713 623-8777)

-30- 390
#90218c0145 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARIO PLASENCIA OF 805 PEARY LANE, FOSTER CITY, CA 94404, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,169 SHARES OF TELEBIT CORP. (TICKER: TBIT) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(TELEBIT CORP. TEL: 408 734-4333)

-30- 399
#90218c0146 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT DEVIVIO OF 18 HILL TREE DRIVE, MELVILLE, NY 11747, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,000 SHARES OF COMMUNICATIONS GROUP INC. (TICKER: CMGI) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(COMMUNICATIONS GROUP INC. TEL: 215 265-6615)

-30- 437
#90218c0147 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARVEY ROSENBERG OF 8235 DOUGLAS AVE, SUITE 780, DALLAS, TX 75025, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,250 SHARES OF ZFAX IMAGE CORP. (TICKER: ZFAX) THROUGH SOUTHWEST SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(ZFAX IMAGE CORP. TEL: 214 358-1350)

-30- 415
#90218c0148 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R WAYNE BOSS OF 535 ITHACA DR, BOULDER, CO 80303, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH TRI-BRADLEY INVSTMNTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-7330)

-30- 404
#90218c0149 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PIERRE L LABARGE JR OF 707 NORTH SECOND ST, ST LOUIS, MO 63102, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF LABARGE INC. (TICKER: LB) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 24, 1990.

(LABARGE INC. TEL: 314 231-5960)

-30- 401
#90218c0150 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BENJAMIN ROTHSTEIN OF 2 BAY CLUB DR, BAYSIDE, NY 11360, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,700 SHARES OF KERKHOFF INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: KIX) THROUGH R F LAFFERTY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(KERKHOFF INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 604 585-2001)

-30- 416
#90218c0152 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAM GOWER OF 4 WINWOOD CT, DIX HILLS, NY 11746, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,167 SHARES OF FIRST PROVIDENT GROUP INC. (TICKER: FPGI) THROUGH BAIRD PATRICK & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(FIRST PROVIDENT GROUP INC. TEL: 516 334-5665)

-30- 425
#90218c0153 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GOLDEN JUDITH B SHIMMEL OF 24 BLAKESHIRE PLACE, PALM COAST, FL 32137 HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CARDIAC CONTROL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CCSC) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(CARDIAC CONTROL SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 904 445-5450)

-30- 459
#90218c0154 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRIAN M SMAUL OF 501 REMINGTON CT, CHALFONT, PA 18914, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF MICRONETICS INC. (TICKER: NOIZ) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(MICRONETICS INC. TEL: 603 883-2900)

-30- 397
#90218c0155 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NICK CASABURRI OF 10969 SHADY TRAIL, DALLAS, TX 75220, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,100 SHARES OF STERLING MEDICAL SYS INC. (TICKER: SSYS) THROUGH CENPAC SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(STERLING MEDICAL SYS INC. TEL: 801 975-9700)

-30- 429
#90218c0156 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT DEVIVIO OF 18 HILL TREE DRIVE, MELVILLE, NY 11747, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF COMMUNICATIONS GROUP INC. (TICKER: CMGI) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 23, 1990.

(COMMUNICATIONS GROUP INC. TEL: 215 265-6615)

-30- 435
#90218c0157 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ZAVEL LIEBLING OF 6501 GRAVES AVE, VAN NUYS, CA 91406, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ADVANTAGE LIFE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ADVT) THROUGH CRUTTENDEN & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(ADVANTAGE LIFE PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 714 582-0035)

-30- 433
#90218c0158 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID E BURNELL OF 455 LOTUS LANE, MOUNTAINVIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MASS MICROSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MMIC) THROUGH PENN MERCHANT GRP LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(MASS MICROSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 522-1200)

-30- 429
#90218c0160 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - YALE FARAR OF P O BOX 1309, RESEDA, CA 91337, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT) THROUGH J ALEXANDER SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(INCOMNET INC. TEL: 818 707-4141)

-30- 386
#90218c0161 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILIP BRONSTEIN OF 1390 KNOX DR, YARDLEY, PA 19067, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,333 SHARES OF CELLCOM CORP. (TICKER: CLCM) THROUGH NATIONAL SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 30, 1990.

(CELLCOM CORP. TEL: 800 445-6161)

-30- 393
#90218c0162 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD G REECE OF P O BOX 6046, SUN VALLEY, ID 83354, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,000 SHARES OF BROADCAST INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BRIN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(BROADCAST INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 801 562-2252)

-30- 427
#90218c0163 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GODS UNIVERSAL LIFE CHURCH OF 1800 43RD STREET, ENSLEY, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35208, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,400 SHARES OF FLAMEMASTER CORP. (TICKER: FAME) THROUGH SOUTHTRUST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(FLAMEMASTER CORP. TEL: 818 982-1650)

-30- 441
#90218c0164 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK A CRICHTON OF 22 ROYAL WAY, DALLAS, TX 75231, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. (TICKER: ARSD) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. TEL: 214 692-7872)

-30- 442
#90218c0165 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL TESSLER OF 3031 HOLIDAY SPRINGS BLVD, SUITE #203, MARGATE, FL 33063, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF VIDEO SUPERSTORES OF AMERICA

INC (TICKER: VDSA) THROUGH R B WEBSTER INVTMTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(VIDEO SUPERSTORES OF AMERICA INC TEL: 305 767-4666)

-30- 477
#90218c0166 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM FRANKEL OF 116 S MANSFIELD AVE, MARGATE, NJ 08402, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,310 SHARES OF MEMORY SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: MEMX) THROUGH MARSH BLOCK & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(MEMORY SCIENCES CORP. TEL: 703 361-9745)

-30- 418
#90218c0168 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALLY BERMAN OF 19930 NE 20 CT, 0, N MIAMI BCH, FL 33179, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,055 SHARES OF PLASTIGONE TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GONE) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(PLASTIGONE TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 305 274-1233)

-30- 435
#90218c0169 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRIARCLIFF DEVELOPERS CORP OF 49 FRAME ROAD, BRAIRCLIFF MANOR, NY 10510, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,700 SHARES OF KERKHOFF INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: KIX) THROUGH LADENBURG THALMAN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(KERKHOFF INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 604 585-2001)

-30- 448
#90218c0170 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE M BARTHOLOMEW OF 431 OLD LONG RIDGE RD, STAMFORD, CT 06903, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF SENIOR SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: SENR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 30, 1990.

(SENIOR SERVICE CORP. TEL: 203 834-1644)

-30- 418
#90218c0171 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT I KOLLACK OF 2305 EVERGREEN PT ROAD, BELLEVUE, WA 98004, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CENTURION MINES CORP. (TICKER: CTMC) THROUGH NATIONAL SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(CENTURION MINES CORP. TEL: 801 534-1120)

-30- 430
#90218c0172 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUSAN S CHAFFEE OF C/O MEDIMORPHICS INC, 245 EASY 6TH ST #705, ST PAUL, MN 55101, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF ENDOTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ENDO) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(ENDOTRONICS INC. TEL: 612 786-0302)

-30- 436
#90218c0173 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRIS SHCOLNIK & ASSOC MP PLAN OF 4808 EAST CENTRAL AVE, PHOENIX, AZ 85012, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SHILLELAGH VENTURES CHARTERED (TICKER: SVCO) THROUGH FIRST AMERN BILTMORE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 30, 1990.

(SHILLELAGH VENTURES CHARTERED TEL: 602 246-1794)

-30- 492
#90218c0174 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL A TURTON OF P O BOX 92, HOPKINS, MN 55343, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SCIENTIFIC MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS I (TICKER: SCMS) THROUGH TEXAS FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 31, 1990.

(SCIENTIFIC MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS I TEL: 512 837-4712)

-30- 446
#90218c0176 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES R FERRIMAN OF P O BOX 881870, 0, STEAMBOAT PLAZA, CO 80488, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF INTEGRATED LOGIC SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: ILSI) THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(INTEGRATED LOGIC SYSTEM INC. TEL: 719 590-1588)

-30- 456
#90218c0177 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GREGORY S ABBOTT OF 5078 BENT TREE CT, ROCKFORD, IL 61111, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRFD) THROUGH BLUNT ELLIS & LOEWI. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. TEL: 815 962-3003)

-30- 445
#90218c0178 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARL J AHLGREN OF 1721 WEST SHRYER AVE, ST PAUL, MN 55113, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF HAWKINS CHEMICAL INC. (TICKER: HWKN) THROUGH JOHN G KINNARD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(HAWKINS CHEMICAL INC. TEL: 612 331-6910)

-30- 426
#90218c0179 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 13, 1990, O.J. FONG, DIR. OF BAY COMMERCIAL SERVICES BOUGHT 490 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,330.

-30- 290
#90218c0180 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 11, 1990, R.C. DABAGIA, PRES. OF HORIZON BANCORP INC. (TICKER: HZB), BOUGHT 180 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,200.

-30- 313
#90218c0181 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 25, 1990, CHARLES R SMITH, CHAIRMAN OF NATIONAL BANC OF COMMERCE CO. (TICKER: NBCC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,900.

-30- 341
#90218c0182 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, W.E. WELLS, PRES. OF SCHULT HOMES CORP. (TICKER: SHC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 181,850.

-30- 302
#90218c0184 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, J.D. ARTHUR, OFFICER OF SMS CORPORATION BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 284
#90218c0185 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 24, 1990, C.R. RHINEHART JR, VP OF FCNB CORP BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 530.

-30- 273
#90218c0186 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, WILLIAM M PIERCE JR, OF AFFILIATED BANC CORP. (TICKER: ABCV), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90218c0187 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DAVID A JONES, DIR. OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES (TICKER: ABT), BOUGHT 245 SHARES AT $40.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,613.

-30- 313
#90218c0188 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, MALCOLM R LLOYD, DIR. OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 310
#90218c0189 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, ABE OBERLIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90218c0190 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ABE OBERLIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90218c0192 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, STEPHEN Y N TSE, VP OF AMERICAN INTL GROUP INC. (TICKER: AIG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $101.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,624.

-30- 322
#90218c0193 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, EVERETT V PIZZUTI, PRES. OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER:

ALOT), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 108,550.

-30- 311
#90218c0194 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1989, AEQUITRON MEDICAL INC P/S, BEN. OWNER OF AEQUITRON MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: AQTN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 353
#90218c0195 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JOHN A MICKELSON, OFFICER OF AEQUITRON MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: AQTN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,090.

-30- 331
#90218c0196 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JOHN A MICKELSON, OFFICER OF AEQUITRON MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: AQTN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90218c0197 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JOHN A MICKELSON, OFFICER OF AEQUITRON MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: AQTN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 333
#90218c0198 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ASHLAND OIL LEVER ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), SOLD 9,902 SHARES AT $36.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,838,866.

-30- 341
#90218c0200 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, FRANCESCO GALESI, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADVANCED TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ATEL), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $20.66 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,751,689.

-30- 382
#90218c0201 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ROTTERDAM VENTURES INC, BEN. OWNER OF ADVANCED TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ATEL), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $20.66 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,751,689.

-30- 377
#90218c0202 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ALAN R MCMILLEN, DIR. OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), BOUGHT 126 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90218c0203 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, T J FEOLA, DIR. OF BIOCONTROL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BICO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,000.

-30- 324
#90218c0204 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JACK B ANDREWS, VP OF C-COR ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: CCBL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 315
#90218c0205 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, DONALD M COOK JR, DIR. OF C-COR ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: CCBL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 320
#90218c0206 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JOSEPH R ATKIN, VP OF CIRCLE FINE ART CORP. (TICKER: CFNE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,500.

-30- 310
#90218c0208 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, MARILYN ZIERING, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DIAGNOSTIC PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: DP), SOLD 4,800 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90218c0209 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, MARILYN ZIERING, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DIAGNOSTIC PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: DP), SOLD 2,400 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,445,600.

-30- 340
#90218c0210 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, SIGI ZIERING, CHAIRMAN OF DIAGNOSTIC PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: DP), SOLD 4,800 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90218c0211 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, SIGI ZIERING, CHAIRMAN OF DIAGNOSTIC PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: DP), SOLD 2,400 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,445,600.

-30- 322
#90218c0212 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 15, 1990, MAX M DILLARD, CHAIRMAN OF DI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DRL), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,754,801.

-30- 313
#90218c0213 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JOSEPH T JACOBSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 242,000.

-30- 374
#90218c0214 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $62.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90218c0216 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $62.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90218c0217 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $62.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90218c0218 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $63.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90218c0219 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $62.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90218c0220 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), SOLD 13,500 SHARES AT $62.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90218c0221 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, PATRICK G RYAN, DIR. OF FIRST CHICAGO CORP. (TICKER: FNB), BOUGHT 382 SHARES AT $29.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,746.

-30- 309
#90218c0222 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, WILLIAM F FARLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90218c0224 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 06, 1990, WILLIAM F FARLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), SOLD 84,700 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90218c0225 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, WILLIAM F FARLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC.

(TICKER: FTL), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90218c0226 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, WILLIAM F FARLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC.
(TICKER: FTL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90218c0227 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, WILLIAM F FARLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC.
(TICKER: FTL), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90218c0228 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1990, WILLIAM F FARLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC.
(TICKER: FTL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90218c0229 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1990, WILLIAM F FARLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC.
(TICKER: FTL), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90218c0230 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, WILLIAM F FARLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC.
(TICKER: FTL), SOLD 37,500 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 624,700.

-30- 327
#90218c0232 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, GORDON L BANKS, PRES. OF GVC VENTURE CORP. (TICKER: GPAX), BOUGHT 70,118 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 120,433.

-30- 313
#90218c0233 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, GEORGE V GRUNE, DIR. OF GTE CORP. (TICKER: GTE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 285
#90218c0234 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, JOHN W AXEL, VP OF HON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HONI), SOLD 901 SHARES AT $42.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90218c0235 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, MALCOLM W GAMBILL, PRES. OF HARSCO CORP. (TICKER: HSC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,070.

-30- 304
#90218c0236 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, JEFFERIES GROUP INC ESOP, TTEE OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), SOLD 260 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90218c0237 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 791,675.

-30- 332

#90218c0238 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.99 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 208,280.

-30- 334
#90218c0240 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 12, 1990, JOHN R SLOAN, CHAIRMAN OF ARIS CORP. (TICKER: LMNT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90218c0241 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 15, 1990, JOHN R SLOAN, CHAIRMAN OF ARIS CORP. (TICKER: LMNT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90218c0242 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 24, 1990, JOHN R SLOAN, CHAIRMAN OF ARIS CORP. (TICKER: LMNT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 219,000.

-30- 300
#90218c0243 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, H THOMAS MCMEEKIN, DIR. OF LINCOLN NATL CONVERTIBLE SECS FD INC. (TICKER: LNV), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 347
#90218c0244 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, CAROL R GOLDBERG, DIR. OF LOTUS DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: LOTS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 326
#90218c0245 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, ROBERT W WILLIAMSON, VP OF MERRILL LYNCH & CO.INC (TICKER: MER), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,494.

-30- 322
#90218c0246 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT S KAUFMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARKET FACTS INC. (TICKER: MFAC), BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90218c0248 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JOSEPH J AMOROSO, CHAIRMAN OF MEDICAL PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: MPP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90218c0249 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JOSEPH J AMOROSO, CHAIRMAN OF MEDICAL PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: MPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90218c0250 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, JOSEPH J AMOROSO, CHAIRMAN OF MEDICAL PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: MPP), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90218c0251 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOSEPH J AMOROSO, CHAIRMAN OF MEDICAL PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: MPP), BOUGHT 5,300 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,755.

-30- 331
#90218c0252 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, MELVYN S RIFKIND, DIR. OF MEDICAL PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: MPP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90218c0253 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, MELVYN S RIFKIND, DIR. OF MEDICAL PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: MPP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 323
#90218c0254 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, MORRISON KNUDSEN CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MORRISON-KNUDSEN CO. (TICKER: MRN), SOLD 5,561 SHARES AT $54.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90218c0256 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, MICHAEL J MAPLES, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $56.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,392.

-30- 302
#90218c0257 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, MICHAEL J MAPLES, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $56.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261

#90218c0258 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, MICHAEL J MAPLES, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $56.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90218c0259 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 04, 1990, MICHAEL J MAPLES, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $60.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90218c0260 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 07, 1990, MICHAEL J MAPLES, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $64.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90218c0261 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, MICHAEL J MAPLES, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $67.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,392.

-30- 301
#90218c0262 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, MIN S YEE, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $71.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90218c0264 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, MIN S YEE, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 7,370 SHARES AT $71.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,258.

-30- 290
#90218c0265 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JEROME RAFFEL, VP OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), SOLD 18,025 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,730.

-30- 293
#90218c0266 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, DOUX MARK A LE, PRES. OF NATURAL ALTERNATIVES INTL INC. (TICKER: NATA), SOLD 10,500 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90218c0267 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, DOUX MARK A LE, PRES. OF NATURAL ALTERNATIVES INTL INC. (TICKER: NATA), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90218c0268 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, DOUX MARK A LE, PRES. OF NATURAL ALTERNATIVES INTL INC. (TICKER: NATA), SOLD 3,330 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90218c0269 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, DOUX MARK A LE, PRES. OF NATURAL ALTERNATIVES INTL INC. (TICKER: NATA), SOLD 650 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90218c0270 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, DOUX MARK A LE, PRES. OF NATURAL ALTERNATIVES INTL INC. (TICKER: NATA), SOLD 9,450 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90218c0272 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, DOUX MARK A LE, PRES. OF NATURAL ALTERNATIVES INTL INC. (TICKER: NATA), SOLD 17,500 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90218c0273 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, DOUX MARK A LE, PRES. OF NATURAL ALTERNATIVES INTL INC. (TICKER: NATA), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 483,215.

-30- 337
#90218c0274 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, MATTHEW R DUKSA, SHAREHOLDER OF PEOPLES SAVINGS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PBNB), BOUGHT 567 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,833.

-30- 348
#90218c0275 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, GARY T HOLLEY, VP OF PARKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: PKD), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,171.

-30- 307
#90218c0276 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, KATHY J KUCHARSKI, OFFICER OF PARKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: PKD), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90218c0277 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, KATHY J KUCHARSKI, OFFICER OF PARKER DRILLING CO.

(TICKER: PKD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,500.

-30- 325
#90218c0278 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RALPH GABAI, DIR. OF PRINTRONIX INC. (TICKER: PTNX), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 294
#90218c0280 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, HAROLD L KESTENBAUM, DIR. OF SBARRO INC. (TICKER: SBA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 302
#90218c0281 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RICHARD M STRANG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SBE INC. (TICKER: SBEI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 413,466.

-30- 319
#90218c0282 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, JAMES R YEATES, PRES. OF SHL SYSTEMHOUSE INC. (TICKER: SHKI), BOUGHT 293 SHARES AT $8.76 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,428.

-30- 315
#90218c0283 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1987, CHRISTOPHER T MCGOWAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SPCL), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $0.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 349
#90218c0284 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 29, 1988, CHRISTOPHER T MCGOWAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SPCL), SOLD 8,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,331.

-30- 384
#90218c0285 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 29, 1989, CHRISTOPHER T MCGOWAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SPCL), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,831.

-30- 384
#90218c0286 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 12, 1989, CHRISTOPHER T MCGOWAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SPCL), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,331.

-30- 383
#90218c0288 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, WILLIAM F COYRO JR, CHAIRMAN OF NATIONAL TECHTEAM INC. (TICKER: TEAM), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90218c0289 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, WILLIAM F COYRO JR, CHAIRMAN OF NATIONAL TECHTEAM INC. (TICKER: TEAM), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 841,691.

-30- 329
#90218c0290 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, REUBEN MARK, DIR. OF TOYS 'R' US INC. (TICKER: TOY), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $32.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 297
#90218c0291 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, WILLIAM C KORDIS, DIR. OF TRISTATE BANCORP (THE) (TICKER: TRIB), BOUGHT 245 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,835.

-30- 323
#90218c0292 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, PAUL F PETROSKY, DIR. OF TRISTATE BANCORP (THE) (TICKER: TRIB), BOUGHT 255 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,415.

-30- 322
#90218c0293 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, WILBUR L CREECH, DIR. OF TRANSNATIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRSL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 320
#90218c0294 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, PHILIP M KEELEY, VP OF UNIT CORP. (TICKER: UNT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,115.

-30- 288
#90218c0296 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RONALD D ORDWAY, OFFICER OF VIDEO DISPLAY CORP. (TICKER: VIDE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 282

#90218c0297 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RONALD D ORDWAY, OFFICER OF VIDEO DISPLAY CORP. (TICKER: VIDE), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90218c0298 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RONALD D ORDWAY, OFFICER OF VIDEO DISPLAY CORP. (TICKER: VIDE), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,560,344.

-30- 324
#90218c0299 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, CHARLES W HASH JR, DIR. OF WALSHIRE ASSURANCE CO. (TICKER: WALS), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 323
#90218c0300 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, CHARLES W HASH JR, DIR. OF WALSHIRE ASSURANCE CO. (TICKER: WALS), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,060.

-30- 324
#90218c0301 08/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ALLAN D GILMOUR, DIR. OF WHIRLPOOL CORP. (TICKER: WHR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 305
#90218d0070 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) - The State Department has ordered "non-essential" members of U.S. diplomatic missions in Kuwait and Iraq to leave "as soon as possible," the White House said Monday.

Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Washington had no immediate plans to break diplomatic relations with Iraq.

He emphasized that U.S. diplomatic presence in Baghdad "is important in terms of influence as well as communications at this time," in view of the Gulf crisis sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last week.

He also said there was no new information from the British Foreign Office concerning U.S. and British citizens reportedly seized by Iraqi forces at the Kuwaiti airport and the SAS hotel for transport to Iraq.

"The situation is pretty chaotic" between Baghdad and Kuwait, Mr. Fitzwater noted.

"It's our understanding that people are able to leave (Kuwait)," he said, although he indicated that travel was tightly restricted.

-30- 1134

#90218d0320 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 6) - Moscow welcomed United States plans to slash its armed forces by a quarter by 1995, a foreign ministry spokesman said Monday calling the decision "positive for future Soviet-American disarmament dialogue."

The Soviet statement came in response to U.S. President George Bush's speech in Aspen, Colorado, Thursday, when he explained the cuts saying that a surprise Soviet invasion of Western Europe was "today more remote than at any other point in the postwar period."

Soviet spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh told journalists the decision was an "important advance in the American position."

"For the first time at this level, the United States has recognized that its military strategy and the structure of its forces can and must be modified in response to changes in world politics," he said.

Mr. Gremitskikh nonetheless expressed regret that the United States intended to press ahead with the development of a rail-based intercontinental missile, and did not include its B2 strategic bombers and submarines in the cuts.

A U.S. official in Aspen estimated the cutbacks would eliminate 500,000 positions in the active forces and 200,000 civilian jobs in the military. He said U.S. military bases at home and abroad would be radically reduced.

-30- 1473
#90218d0350 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Khartoum (AUG. 6) - The Sudanese government denied Monday claims that Sudan and Libya were planning to invade neighbouring Chad.

Major General al-Tijani Adam al-Tahir, a member of Sudan's ruling military council, described reports that the two countries were amassing troops on Sudan's western borders as ''unfounded''.

Chad had alleged that Sudan and Libya were assembling an army of dissidents and merceneries to launch ''a total war'' against it.

Al-Tahir said Chad was using the allegation as an excuse to cross into Sudan to pursue Chadian opposition groups.

Meanwhile the Sudanese news agency Suna reported that Sudanese armed forces launched an operation against rebels in the south, inflicting heavy losses in men and equipment.

It quoted an armed forces communique as saying the ''successful'' operation took place in the southern region of Equatoria.

A number of weapons were captured, the communique said but it gave no precise details of casualties.

-30- 1138
#90218d0370 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (AUG. 6) - President Ghulam Ishaq Khan has declared a state of emergency in Pakistan, official sources said late Monday.

The announcement followed the sacking of Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's government and dissolution earlier Monday.

-30- 430
#90218d0450 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 6) - France broadened its embargo on buying Iraqi oil to include all merchandise and announced that a shipment of Iraqi oil headed for a French port will have to go elsewhere.

The embargo on transporting all merchandise between France and Iraq and Kuwait was announced by the Sea Minister, Jacques Mellick. "No merchandise is excluded" from the ban, he said.

The shipment of 200,000 tons of Iraqi oil, loaded a month ago at the Saudi port of Yanbu and carried by a Shell tanker, was expected at Le Havre in mid-August but will be denied permission to dock, the officials said.

-30- 784
#90218d0530 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 6) - Russian President Boris Yeltsin on Monday began a three-week tour to assess the extent of regional problems across the Soviet Federation, TASS news agency reported.

According to the report, Mr. Yeltsin will examine inter-ethnic relations, regional efforts at economic self-determination and the setting up of new power-wielding regional councils.

Mr. Yeltsin was due to start his tour in the southern Tatar autonomous republic, then continuing to the Bashkir autonomous republic, the iron-ore rich Urals, the mining regions of Kemerovo in western Siberia and Vorkuta in the Far North, finishing up in the Far East.

The Russian Federation occupies over 76 percent of the total area of the Soviet Union, stretching from the Far North to the Black Sea in the south, and from the Far East to Kalingrad in the west. Its population is in the large majority Russian, the rest being some 38 national minorities.

-30- 1130
#90218d0640 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUWAIT (AUG. 6) - The Iraqi-installed "free provisional government" of Kuwait ordered Monday most public and private sector employees to resume their jobs normally as of Tuesday morning.

A statement issued by Iraqi-appointed prime minister and interior minister Ala'a Hussein Ali, and carried by Iraqi television, said all hospitals, bakeries, pharmancies, supermarkets, petrol stations, electric power stations, water desalination plants, public services and municipalities should resume normal daily duties.

Another statement also called on civil servants and bank employess to resume work on Tuesday.

-30- 807
#90218d0690 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) - A U.S. Embassy official in Baghdad held two hours of talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Monday to seek a troop withdrawal and the safety of 28 U.S. detainees.

The State Department said U.S. charge d'affaires Joseph Wilson met Saddam in the first direct contact that the U.S. government has had with the Iraqi leader since his forces invaded Kuwait last Thursday.

''We view this as a very serious meeting,'' U.S. State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said.

She declined to give details of the meeting or to describe how Saddam responded to Wilson's demands, but there were few indications that the meeting produced any positive results.

The State Department confirmed reports that Iraqi troops had gathered 28 American citizens from three Kuwaiti hotels and put them on buses bound for unknown destinations.

The State Department's Middle East troubleshooter John Kelly called in Iraqi Ambassador Mohammad al-Mashat Monday to register U.S. concern about the safety of the Americans.

The move has added new tension in what has already become a virtual face-off between Saddam and the industrialised world, led by the United States.

An earlier 14 U.S. oil workers reported detained by Iraqi forces last Friday were said to be safe in a Baghdad hotel and apparently free to leave, Tutwiler said. Three have already left the nation.

In Washington, President George Bush and Secretary of State James Baker kept up a frantic pace of international telephone calls and consultations over the crisis, which Tutwiler described as ''extremely serious''.

Baker spoke on the telephone with his Soviet counterpart Eduard Shevardnadze for about 30 minutes, agreeing to try and expedite passage of a U.N. Security Council resolution that would impose an almost total military, trade, and economic embargo on Iraq.

She said Baker and Shevardnadze had discussed the detention of the 28 Americans and agreed to stay in close touch on developments.

Tutwiler said Iraqi forces in Kuwait seemed to be increasing in number rather than withdrawing, as Iraqi authorities had said they would in an announcement late last week.

As Defence Secretary Richard Cheney flew to Jeddah for consultations with Saudi leaders, and Baker prepared a trip later this week to Turkey, Tutwiler declined comment on press reports that Washington was planning to topple Saddam from power.

A washington Post report said the administration had concluded that unless Saddam was stopped, he would take control of Middle East oil production, a move that could ruin the U.S. economy.

The Post said the White House had therefore decided to overthrow the Iraqi leader using covert means. Asked to respond, Tutwiler said there had been mistakes in recent press reports and that she could not comment on intelligence-related subjects.

She said U.S. policy in the Gulf currently hinged on four issues: an Iraqi troop withdrawal, the restoration of the ousted Kuwaiti government, the safety of all Americans in the region, and the freedom of navigation and free flow of oil in the Gulf.

Over the weekend, Baker spoke by telephone to his counterparts in Egypt, France, Japan, and Oman, while Bush made contacts with regional leaders from his Camp David retreat.

Bush was slated to meet Monday afternoon with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Nato secretary General Manfred Woerner to coordinate plans to toughen the Western response against Iraq for refusing to withdraw its troops from Kuwait.

Bush was scheduled to dine with Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney in the evening.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Jordan's King Hussein had called Bush Sunday night after the U.S. president criticised the monarch for backing Iraq.

Fitzwater said the two leaders wanted to be sure their positions were understood. He said the conversation had been ''frank and cordial''.

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#90218d0770 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) - About 900 anti-nuclear protesters attended nationwide demonstrations marking Monday's 45th anniversary of the dropping of the atom bomb on Hiroshima, Japan. Thirty-eight people were arrested.

About 70 people gathered outside the gates of the Rocky Flats nuclear weapons plant northwest of Denver, Colorado. Twenty-five were arrested as they tried to enter the plant, police said.

On Sunday, a prayer vigil at the plant drew about 100 participants.

Artists staged a parade in Boulder, Colorado, Sunday to protest the planned resumption of plutonium production at the plant. No resumption date has been released.

The plant's production of plutonium triggers for nuclear weapons was suspended last November for safety reasons.

In Oak Ridge, Tennessee, 10 protesters were arrested Sunday for trespassing at the Y-12 Plant, where uranium for the Hiroshima bomb was prepared. About 150 peace activists gathered at the gates for a religious service and hours of speeches.

At the Savannah River nuclear weapons plant near Aiken, South Carolina, more than 250 people attended a vigil Sunday to remember Hiroshima's victims and to protest plans to restart a reactor.

About 30 peace activists spent Saturday night near a site in Liberty Township, Pennsylvania, that would be used as a command center in the event of nuclear war. Three people were arrested for trespassing on the site Sunday.

In Minneapolis, Minnesota, about 250 people attended the city's annual Hiroshima memorial service Monday.

The United States dropped the world's first atomic bomb on Hiroshima August 6, 1945, in an attack to end World War II. It killed about 140,000 people.

Three days later, the United States dropped another atomic bomb on Nagasaki,
 killing 70,000 people.

Japan surrendered on August 15, 1945.

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#90218d0850 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 6) - After dismissing the Bhutto government, Pakistani President Ghulam Ishaq Khan declared state of emergency late Monday, Pakistan Press International said.

The proclamation issued said the security of Pakistan was threatened by ''external aggression and internal disturbance beyond the power of the provincial governments to control'', and so a state of emergency was being declared throughout the country.

A few army vehicles were seen patrolling the main streets in the capital and guarding the television headquarters. But there appeared no unusual movement of troops in the city in the late Monday hours.

Earlier, Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was dismissed by presidential decree Monday after less than two years in office and replaced for the time being by opposition rival Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi. New elections were set for

October 24.

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan announced the dissolution of the Bhutto government at the President's House in the capital.

He said constitutional violations, corruption, failure to maintain law and order and inability to run the government in accordance with the federal constitution were the reasons.

Khan nominated Jatoi, leader of the Combined Opposition Parties (Cop), to be caretaker minister. He was sworn in with four other ministers.

Bhutto, 37, came to power on December 2, 1988 following general elections in November of that year. In her first reaction, she said the dismissal decision was ''unconstitutional and illegal''.

The central executive committee of her Pakistan Peoples Party (Ppp) would consider the decision and might challenge it in the higher court, she said. It is the second Ppp government to have been dissolved.

General Zia ul-Haq, who ruled the country for 11 years, had dismissed her father Zulfikar Ali Bhutto's regime in July 1977.

Announcing his decision, Khan said ''the government of the federation has wilfully undermined and impaired the working of the constitutional arrangements and usurped the authority of the provinces'' which resulted in discord confrontation affecting the integrity and solidarity of Pakistan.

On May 29, 1988 Zia ul-Haq had dismissed the government of prime minister Mohammad Khan Junejo on the same grounds. Unlike Bhutto, Junejo did not contend Zia's action, saying he had acted in accordance with the constitution.

Jatoi, who comes from Bhutto's home province of Sindh, has been leading the opposition's ''crusade against the corruption and misdoings of (the) Bhutto cabinet'' since he won a by-election from a Punjab constituency in early 1989 after failing to win in his home town in the elections of November 16 1988.

He had been a confidante of Bhutto's father and also served as the chief minister of Sindh until its government was sacked by Zia ul-Haq in July 1977.

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#90218d0980 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 6) - Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy has postponed a visit to the United States he was to have started Tuesday to September 6 at

Washington's request, a Foreign Ministry source said here late Monday.

"Mr. (James) Baker, the secretary of state, was obliged to ask Mr. Levy to postpone the visit due to the mission assigned to him by President George Bush to visit Turkey," he said.

The delay of Mr. Levy's first visit to Washington since he became foreign minister is a setback for the Israeli government, which wanted to appear as a privileged ally of the United States in the Middle East following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on Thursday.

"The United States must understand that there is a link between the current situation in the Middle East and the peace process," the spokesman said earlier.

The visit would have softened the image of Israel as an obstacle to the peace process in the region because of the Likud government's hardline positions.

Israeli television said Mr. Levy's visit was pushed back so that U.S. officials would not appear to be planning any joint action with Israel against Iraq. It added that the minister was surprised by Washington's last-minute decision.

Western diplomatic sources said the U.S. had asked for a week's postponement but Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir objected, asking for a maximum delay of 24 hours.

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#90218d0990 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) - U.S. President George Bush Monday nominated career diplomat Herbert Gelber as U.S. ambassador to Mali, the White House said.

Mr. Gelber, an assistant for international affairs with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization military headquarters in Europe since 1986, would replace Robert Pringle.

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#90218d1000 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 6) - Foreign ministers of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) will meet here Tuesday in extraordinary session to discuss the Gulf crisis, Gulf officials said Monday.

They said the meeting -- the second since Iraq invaded Kuwait at dawn Thursday after the failure of bilateral talks to resolve a bitter dispute over oil and border markings -- will examine developments in the Gulf and

the situation in Kuwait.

The meeting comes amid heightened tension in the Gulf, a U.S. military buildup, reports of Iraqi troop movements along the Kuwaiti-Saudi border and a visit to Jeddah by U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney.

The GCC ministers condemned and strongly deplored the Iraqi invasion following a meeting Friday in Cairo.

Ousted Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmad al-Sabah, who fled to Saudi Arabia with most memebrs of the ruling Al Sabah family, will attend Tuesday's meeting.

The GCC groups Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Oman, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates.

The chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), Yasser Arafat, meanwhile arrived here from Egypt for talks with officials on regional tensions.

The PLO, along with Jordan, Yemen and Sudan, refused to join in an Arab League condemnation of Iraq.

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#90218d1070 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 6) - The United States was following developments in Pakistan closely and hoped democracy would not be affected by the sacking of Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and the dissolution of parliament, an embassy spokesman said Monday.

"Obviously the United States and the entire world attach great importance to the democratic process here and elsewhere," the spokesman said.

Earlier Pakistan President Ghulam Ishaq Khan had dismissed Ms. Bhutto for alleged corruption and misuse of power and dissolved parliament.

The spokesman declined to comment on the decree but said: "We will be following the developments with close attention."

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#90218d1080 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOLSWARD, Netherlands (AUG. 6) - A Dutch fishing boat captured by Liberian rebels has been commandeered to carry rebels and food supplies to the war-torn country, its crew still on board, the wife of one said Monday.

Dutchmen Gerard Kuijper and Boudewijn Boekema have been held along with

fellow Ghanian and Liberian crew members since the National Patriotic Front captured their prawn trawler Treesie off the West African coast almost a month ago.

The captain Mr. Kuijper telephoned his wife Petra Kuijper Sunday to say the boat had been fitted with canons and was stationary off the coast of Liberia.

Mrs. Kuijper described the situation as "very bad", adding that the men were "very scared."

The Treesie, from the Dutch Antilles, had been chartered by a British company the Dutch Foreign Ministry declined to name.

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#90218d1110 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 6) - Ousted Pakistan Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was not officially informed of her dismissal and had to telephone the president herself to find out what happened, her spokesman said Monday.

"Nobody had the courtesy to inform her," Kamran Shafi said.

"New elections" was President Ghulam Ishaq Khan's brief reply to Ms. Bhutto's query about the upheaval in the country, Mr. Shafi said.

Mr. Ishaq Khan dissolved the assembly and removed Ms. Bhutto after naming her parliamentary opposition chief Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi as caretaker prime minister.

He later imposed a state of emergency, saying that national security was threatened.

Meanwhile, dozens of armed soldiers in battle gear stood guard outside Ms. Bhutto's official residence late in the night Monday. Sources said they were not obstructing visitors.

Soldiers were also guarding vital installations in Rawalpindi and Islamabad, including radio and television stations, but the situation remained normal. People in some places celebrated her ouster by shooting off firecrackers and firing guns into the air.

Ms. Bhutto was to have left for Karachi on Monday, but her press secretary said she put off her departure until Tuesday.

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#90218d1130 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) - The United States Monday said that ending Iraq's invasion of Kuwait was "clearly in the national interest" amid reports that the aircraft carrier USS Independence -- steaming through the Arabian Sea -- was close enough to the Gulf to deploy its fighter planes.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the invasion threatened regional and world stability and the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, and could force severe economic consequences on the United States.

"From the moment the first Iraqi soldier entered Kuwait, it has been clearly in the national interest to stop (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein " he said.

"This is an overt situation. His tanks are real and moving. Our response is real and moving on all fronts, diplomatic, economic, political and military," said Mr. Fitzwater.

Pentagon sources said the USS Independence and its carrier battle group were on station in the Arabian Sea. From that position, they would be able to launch fighter planes into the Gulf region, the sources said.

Meanwhile, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs John Kelly summoned the Iraqi ambassador to the United States, Mohamed Sadiq Al-Mashat, to demand information on the whereabouts of 28 Americans said to have been rounded up by Iraqi troops in Kuwait.

"We hold Iraq responsible for their safety...It's premature to call them hostages," said State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler.

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#90218d1160 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONTREAL (AUGUST 6) - Canada will give 25.7 million dollars (about 22 million U.S.) in aid over the next five years to develop human resources in French-speaking African nations, officials said Monday.

The project, financed by the Canadian International Development Agency, will assist existing and potential partners of the agency in Burkina Faso, Mali, Nigeria, and the Ivory Coast.

The formation and advancement of human resources tops a list of development priorities in the region, said Minister of Foreign Relations and International Development Monique Landry.

Women's organizations in those countries wuld be given special attention in the development project, Ms. Landry added.

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#90218d1420 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ANKARA (AUG. 7) - A senior aide to Iranian President Hashemi Rafsanjani bearing a message from the Teheran leader met here with President Turgut Ozal of Turkey.

Before seeing Ozal late Monday, Ali Reza Moayyeri told reporters that Teheran would prefer a settlement of the Gulf crisis by the countries of the region.

It was ''not yet'' time for U.S. intervention, Moayyeri said.

Teheran was not against the sanctions call by the U.N. Security Council, he added.

Earlier Monday, Baghdad reduced its oil exports flowing through a a pair of pipelines to a Turkish port.

Ankara has been under pressure from its allies to block Iraqi oil exports through the pipelines. The United Nations also urged Turkey and Saudi Arabia to turn off the pipelines crossing their territory.

Ozal earlier told the U.S. television network Cnn that he ''strongly hoped there would be no need for a military intervention'' by the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato).

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker is expected in Ankara Thursday for talks.

''I wish for the implementation of the U.N. resolutions and the withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait'', Ozal said, adding that Turkey did not recognise Kuwait's new ''puppet regime''.

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#90218d1450 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) - Turkish President Turgut Ozal indicated Monday that his government would obey a U.N. oil embargo against Iraq and shut down two Iraqi pipelines running through Turkey.

"I think we will obey the (U.N.) oil embargo," Mr. Ozal told U.S.-based ABC Television.

He was speaking on Turkey's likely attitude before 13 members of the 15-member U.N. Security Council voted in favor of a resolution imposing mandatory trade, financial and military sanctions against Baghdad for its invasion of Kuwait Thursday.

"If we are going to act, we are going to act legally by the Security Council decision," Mr. Ozal said.

(Iraq on Monday was to close one of two oil pipelines that carries Iraqi oil across Turkey to the Mediterranean and to cut the capacity of the second, the Anatolia News Agency said.

(Iraqi authorities gave no reason for the move nor did they say how long they would keep the line closed.)

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker is due to travel to Turkey Wednesday in an attempt to convince Ankara to shut down the pipelines.

Iraq on Sunday warned Turkey that if Ankara closed the pipeline Iraqi-Turkish relations would be adversely affected.

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#90218d1560 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CARACAS (AUG. 6) - Venezuelan Energy Minister Celestino Armas Monday dismissed the possibility of an emergency meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

"These types of meetings create expectations in the market," Mr. Armas told journalists here.

Venezuela "will not take isolated or hasty actions" on any increase in its petroleum exports because of skyrocketing oil prices after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last week, he said.

"We are aware of the tension that this invasion in the Middle East has created and the speculation it has produced in the futures markets in the United States, Europe and Asia, but we are not inclined to contribute to a distortion in petroleum prices," he said.

"We hope that the 11 countries of OPEC uninvolved in the conflict can take concerted actions," the minister added.

"Venezuela has a policy of setting prices without sharply increasing them and because of that we have not made speculative estimates on a hike in oil prices," Mr. Armas said.

Venezuela was a founding member of OPEC, as were Iraq and Kuwait.

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#90218d1600 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (AUG. 6) - More than a third of East German army generals have gone since the fall of communism, but the force was still no smaller than planned under ousted leader Erich Honecker's regime, the East German Secretary of State for Disarmament said Monday.

In an interview with the daily Neues Deutschland, Frank Marczinek said some 73 of 199 National People's Army generals had been retired from service since Mr. Honecker was toppled last October 18.

However, discounting the effects of shorter compulsory military service there had been "no greater reduction than that envisaged under Erich Honecker",
he said.

Less than a year ago, NPA forces stood at 170,000. Today the army has some 98,000, with Bonn proposing further cuts of 50,000. The West German army is 480,000 strong.

Under an agreement between West German Chancellor Kohl and Soviet President, German forces must be cut to 370,000 three to four years after German unification.

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#90218d6650 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 6) - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu said Monday that Japan would import more crude oil from countries other than Iraq and Kuwait.

Commenting on a Japanese government decision Sunday to suspend crude oil imports from the two Middle Eastern countries, Mr. Kaifu said, "It will not immediately cause serious damage to Japan if we import more from other countries."

Mr. Kaifu did not specify the names of the "other countries" but Jiji Press quoted government sources as saying that they included Saudi Arabia and Oman.

When Mr. Kaifu visits Saudi Arabia on Saturday and Oman next Monday, he is to ask the two countries to increase crude oil exports to Japan, the sources were quoted as saying.

Official sources said that the International Trade and Industry Ministry has asked Japanese traders to diversify crude oil imports.

Mr. Kaifu told a news conference in Hiroshima, western Japan, that Japan depended on Iraq and Kuwait for its crude oil imports at the level of six

per cent each.

He was in Hiroshima to attend the 45th annual memorial service for victims killed in the U.S. atomic bombing of the city on August 6, 1945.

Mr. Kaifu said the government would ask the people to save energy in the wake of Japanese economic sanctions against Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait.

"We have to do various things, including requests to the people to save energy," the prime minister told the news conference.

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#90218d6700 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 6) - Chinese Premier Li Peng, off on a milestone visit to Indonesia, said Monday the spotlight now is on the U.N. Security Council and the Arab League to defuse the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Li is going to Jakarta for Wednesday's long-awaited resumption of diplomatic ties between China and Indonesia, two of Asia's most populous and influentual nations, after a break of 23 years.

He is also to visit Singapore from Saturday, then go to Bangkok on August 13-14.

With him are his foreign and trade ministers, Qian Qichen and Zheng Tuobin.

But the Indonesia trip -- billed has "historic" by Chinese officials -- is being overshadowed by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, and at a pre-departure press conference at Beijing airport Mr. Li became the most senior Chinese leader so far to openly criticize Baghdad's aggression.

"We are opposed to the intrusion of Iraq into Kuwait," he said, recalling that China voted for a U.N. Security Council resolution condemning the invasion and joined the international ban on arms sales to Iraq.

China -- one of five permanent members of the Security Council -- had been one of Iraq's biggest source of weapons, according to diplomats here.

"As for the next step, we will support the mediation carried out by the Arab League and the U.N. Security Council," Mr. Li said.

"We also hope that negotiations can be carried out between Iraq and the legitimate government of Kuwait," he added, indicating that China still recognizes the emir of Kuwait -- now in exile in Saudi Arabia -- as that country's true ruler.

China itself has bitterly criticized an arms embargo imposed on it by Western nations after last year's violent suppression of democracy protests in Tiananmen Square.

But Mr. Li said the Gulf crisis was a different affair.

"I do not see there is any connection between our decision to refrain from selling arms to Iraq and interference in the internal affairs (of other countries)," he said.

The Gulf crisis is expected to come up during Mr. Li's talks with President Suharto in Jakarta, as Indonesia -- like Kuwait and Iraq -- is a member of the Organization Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).

But the primary reason for the trip is to mark the formal resumption of diplomatic ties between the two Asian powers on Wednesday.

Indonesia suspended ties with China in 1967, accusing it of complicity in a communist coup attempt two years earlier. China denied the charge, while accusing Indonesia at the time of persecuting its small, but economically powerful, ethnic Chinese minority.

The decision to resume diplomatic relations was announced here July 3 by Mr. Qian and his Indonesian counterpart, Ali Alatas.

Singapore, which has long-standing trade links with China, but no diplomatic ties, has said it is prepared to follow Indonesia's lead and establish full relations by the end of the year.

Mr. Li said he would be discussing this question with his host, Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew, a regular visitor to China. "There are no major problems in the way of establishing diplomatic relations between our two countries... As for the specific time, I don't think it's far away," he said.

Mr. Li's two-day visit to Thailand, announced at the last minute Saturday, is expected to focus on Cambodia, following the recent U.S. decision to no longer recognize the Cambodian resistance government at the United Nations.

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#90218d6720 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 6) - Crude oil prices on Tokyo's spot market rose to 21.9 dollars a barrel Monday morning, higher than weekend prices of 19.75 dollars at the close of trading in New York, traders said.

Spot market crude oil prices jumped by 1.5 dollars to 18.7 dollars in Tokyo soon after Iraq invaded Kuwait last Thursday.

Company managers said they were worried about crude oil price levels which they said might push up prices in Japan.

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#90218d6750 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 6) - Sales of imported cars in Japan jumped 17.1 percent from a year earlier to 20,304 units in July, the highest for the month, an industry group said Monday.

The figure represented the 79th consecutive rise in foreign car sales in Japan, the Japan Automobile Importers' Association said.

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#90218d6920 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 6) - The U.S. Peace Corps is to hold talks with the Philippine government this month on plans to reinstate its program here after the release of an American volunteer kidnapped by communist rebels, a U.S. diplomat said Monday.

"It's definitely our interest to bring back the Peace Corps volunteers," U.S. Ambassador to the Philippines Nicholas Platt told reporters.

Mr. Platt said Peace Corps officials would return to the Philippines "after two weeks" for talks with the government on a "reconstituted program."

The ambassador accompanied Peace Corps volunteer Timothy Swanson, kidnapped by New People's Army (NPA) guerrillas on June 13, on a courtesy call on President Corazon Aquino four days after his release from captivity in the central island of Negros.

Meanwhile, the private Japanese aid group Organization for Industrial, Spiritual and Cultural Advancemen (OISCA) said it had no intention of withdrawing from the Philippines following the recent kidnapping of one of its Japanese workers.

OISCA member Fumio Mizuno, who was held for 66 days by the NPA in Negros and was also released on August 2, also called on Mrs. Aquino Monday.

OISCA lawyer Edgar Uytiepo, a Filipino, accompanied him on the visit and told reporters afterwards that the organization "will not pull out" from the Philippines.

The NPA, the armed wing of the banned Communist Party of the Philippines which has been fighting the government for 21 years, said it suspected the two of cooperating with the Philippine military on counter-insurgency but

released them for lack of evidence.

The Peace Corps program, begun in the early 1960's, posts volunteer experts and teachers from the United States to help developing countries.

Washington suspended its program in the Philippines on June 27 and pulled out its 261 volunteers citing the threat of possible rebel attacks against them.

On the possible resumption of the program, Mr. Platt said: "I think we'll go very carefully and we'll consult with the armed forces of the Philippines to fix the right places" to assign the volunteers.

Mr. Mizuno, 36, speaking after calling on Mrs. Aquino, said: "I would like to return but I cannot say when."

Mr. Swanson, a 26-year-old from Cheyenne, Wyoming, said: "I'm not coming back as a Peace Corps volunteer. I'm coming back as a private citizen."

Both men are married to Filipinas. Mr. Swanson was critical of the insurgent's motives in kidnapping him. "I kinda resent being used," he told reporters.

Mr. Mizuno, 36, said he lost "12 to 13 pounds" (5.4kg to 5.8kg) in his days in captivity.

Mr. Uytiepo said Mrs. Aquino told Mr. Mizuno that "she's sorry about what happened."

Mr. Swanson said he thanked Mrs. Aquino for the government's help in obtaining his freedom.

He said the NPA "has grievances but I don't think they justify what the NPA is doing."

He said the insurgents "told me not to try to escape" and his life in captivity "was generally very boring."

"Every other day we bath and washed our clothes. We ate at more or less regular times," he said, adding that he missed his Filipina wife.

"They wanted me to understand their point of view. But they didn't really expect me to agree with it," he said.

He said he thought he was singled out by the rebels "probably because I was in an exposed location."

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#90218d6960 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOI (AUG. 6) - Municipal authorities here have declared a freeze on the activities of financially troubled private credit companies, a local newspaper reported Monday.

The firms have been unable to meet their repayment committments in recent weeks according to the capital's daily Hanoi Moi and Hanoi officials have warned depositors against "acts provoking public disorder" which they said would be punished.

The report said there had been protests by depositors who were unable to recoup their money.

These financial problems were due mainly to errors in placing collected money, high interest rates, and misappropriation of funds by some officials, official sources said.

The Hanoi Moi said a company official was recently arrested in Hanoi for having allegedly given a loan of 3.5 billion dongs (about 700,000 dollars) to a firm in return for a bribe of 60 million dongs (10,000 dollars).

Municipal authorities decided to freeze "the operations of deposits, loans, and interest payments", as well as seize "goods, documents and files" of the companies, the daily added.

Maintainance of order will be assured, authorities warned, in order to prevent "bad elements and hostile forces from taking advantage of this situation to incite trouble and provoke political instability in the capital."

Vietnamese authorities have in the last few months denounced what they describe as "an imperialist and reactionary plot" aimed at destabilizing Vietnam.

While many Eastern European countries have rejected communism Hanoi has ignored the changes and plans to pursue the socialist path.

Private financial establishments have developped haphazardly in the last year. But they have drained a considerable share of public savings away from a public banking system that offers few returns.

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#90218d7000 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (AUG. 6) - The pro-Iraqi provisional government in Kuwait called Monday for employees in the service, health and energy sectors to return to work, Iraqi television reported.

The call was directed to bakeries, food depots, hospitals, petrol stations, electricity and desalination plants, as well as municipal workers and telephone company employees.

"With order restored and in view of the easing of the curfew, all employees (in these sectors) are called upon to return to their workplaces," the television cited the interior ministry as saying.

The nine-man military administration, which said it overthrew the Kuwaiti government last Thursday and called on assistance from Iraqi forces, announced Sunday that a round-the-clock curfew was being eased, allowing civilians to venture out between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Iraq announced Sunday that some of its units had begun to pull out of Kuwait but the report was disputed by the United States, which is pressing for tough United Nations sanctions on Baghdad.

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#90218d7050 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 6) - The Gulf crisis sent North Sea Brent oil soaring by more than 8.5 per cent to 26 dollars per barrel on Monday.

Brent closed at 23.95 dollars on Friday.

Monday's price was the highest since January 1986, and was in response to an embargo by the United States, Japan and the European Economic Community (EEC) on oil from Iraq and Kuwait.

Market experts said that the embargo would increase pressure on supplies from other sources, consequently pushing prices higher.

Hoare Govett oil analyst John Toalster said: "We could see the oil price go to 30 dollars and possibly beyond."

But another analyst, Stephen Turner of Smith New Court, said that an increase to 30 dollars was not justified in the short term, and that such a big increase would be justified only in the event of military escalation of the conflict, or of a naval blockade of the Gulf.

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#90218d7070 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (AUG. 6) - Australia's share prices Monday slumped more than 2.5 percent, caught up in worldwide stock market tumbles following the flare-up in the Middle East.

The main market indicator, the all ordinaries index, slumped 41.4 points to 1,548.3, its lowest level in about a month.

One broker said the market feared that rising oil prices following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait would accelerate world inflation and could spark a recession.

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#90218d7120 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 6) - The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and an embargo on oil exports from the two countries will trigger profound disruption on world oil markets and could do irreparable damage to OPEC, the Middle East Economic Survey (MEES) warned here Monday.

A total ban on exports from Iraq and Kuwait would deprive world markets of more than four million barrels of oil a day, according to MEES.

"If anything like the full IraqiKuwaiti shortfall ... manifests itself," the weekly specialist review said, "the world will not be able to get by for very long without some additional supply from other sources, above and beyond the current OPEC levels."

Spare capacity at present within the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, apart from Iraq and Kuwait, amounts to around 3.5 million barrels a day, concentrated in Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Venezuela and Libya.

Saudi Arabia with a spare potential of two million barrels a day, could prove to be reluctant to antagonize Iraq "by cooperating with measures to restrict Iraqi oil exports and increase its own production in deference to the wishes of the U.S. and the world community," MEES noted.

Washington has implicitly warned Iraq that it would intervene militarily if Iraqi forces were to expand their operation into Saudi Arabia.

An Agence France-Presse correspondent on Saturday reported that Iraqi units had entered an oil-rich neutral zone on the Kuwaiti-Saudi frontier, but the report was quickly denied in Baghdad.

"In any case, there will be considerable disruption of world oil markets as a result of steps already taken by the U.S. to embargo purchases of Iraqi oil by U.S. companies," MEES said.

The United States over the first five months of the year imported an average of 609,000 barrels a day from Iraq, or 10 per cent of its total purchases.

If imports are also banned from Kuwait, where Iraq has installed a provisional military government, the United States will have to find roughly 700,000 barrels a day from other sources.

"This will be no small undertaking for the U.S.," according to MEES, "particularly considering that it already bans the importation of oil from Iran and Libya."

Iraq's present crude exports total 2.7 million to 2.8 million barrels a day,

carried through pipelines across neighboring Turkey and Saudi Arabia and the Gulf terminal at Mina al-Bakr.

"Blockading the terminals by means of U.S. naval power could ... be a tricky exercise," MEES said.

"The upshot of all this is that although effective global oil sanctions would undoubtedly cripple Iraq, they would be difficult to implement and administer in practice."

The newsletter warned that "one obvious potential casualty" of the current cisis is an OPEC accord last month to restrict output and push prices up to 21 dollars a barrel by the end of the year "in a more or less orderly fashion."

"Now the normal patterns of oil supply and trade have been radically distorted, and crisis buying has already lifted prices to somewhere around the 21 dollar OPEC basket range.

"Unless conditions return to normal pretty soon, the damage to the agreement -- and perhaps OPEC itself -- may prove beyond repair."

The Gulf crisis sent North Sea Brent oil soaring by more than 8.5 per cent to 26 dollars per barrel on Monday. Brent closed at 23.95 dollars on Friday.

Monday's price was the highest since January 1986.

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#90218d7150 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA, Aug 6 (AFP) - King Hussein of Jordan has contacted several Arab leaders in a new bid to forge a unified Arab stand on resolving the Iraq-Kuwait crisis, officials in Amman said Monday.

King Hussein late Sunday telephoned King Fahd of Saudi Arabia, Presidents Hosni Mubarak of Egypt and Hafez al-Assad of Syria, Libyan leader Moamer

Kadhafi and the emirs of Qatar and Bahrain, Sheikh Khalifa ibn Hamad al-Thani and Sheikh Isa bin Sulman al-Khalifa.

He also received a call from the Yemeni president, Colonel Ali Abdullah Saleh.

Jordan voted against an Arab League resolution condemning last Thursday's Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and calling for a withdrawal of Baghdad's troops from the emirate.

King Hussein said he feared the resolution could encourage non-Arab intervention in the crisis.

Authorized trade unions in Jordan issued a statement Monday hailing what they termed the "heroic" entry of Iraqi troops into Kuwait and marking August 2 as an "historic day."

The Iraqi operation was in keeping with resolutions adopted at the Baghdad summit of Arab leaders in May calling for "joint Arab security," the trade unions said.

The Libyan news agency JANA, monitored here, said a Libyan-Palestinian plan to resolve the crisis began to take effect Sunday, referring to Iraq's announcement that it had started to withdraw troops from Kuwait.

"All sides are satisfied and things are returning to normal," JANA said.

As part of Iraq's consultations with its allies, Parliamentary Speaker Saadi Mehdi Saleh arrived Monday in Sanaa with a message from President Saddam Hussein for Col. Saleh, who met Sunday with Egypt's President Mubarak.

Jordan, Yemen and Egypt are grouped with Iraq in the Arab Cooperation Council. Cairo was the only member to condemn the invasion.

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#90218d7440 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBAI (AUG. 6) - Iraqi troops have seized several ships in the port of Kuwait, including a U.S. tanker and two Iranian vessels, and the crews have been detained, shipping sources said here Monday.

"The ships have not been allowed to leave. They are still there and their crews have been detained," one source said.

A U.S. tanker, the Sea Wolf, and two Iranian ships, the passenger ferry Hormuz and the freighter Safeer, are among the vessels held since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait last Thursday, the source said.

They said there were no passengers on the Hormuz at the time of the invasion. The ferry went into service last month between Kuwait and the Iranian port of Bushehr.

The source said some ships had been allowed to discharge their cargo and leave port since the invasion. These include Iranian launches that have since docked at Dubai.

According to U.S. television reports, the Sea Wolf had a 20-man American crew.

Freighters and container ships heading for Kuwait have discharged their cargos at Dubai and other ports in the United Arab Emirates and the goods are being stored pending a resolution of the crisis, port officials said here.

Lloyds Shipping Agency reported no major disruption to shipping in the Gulf due to the invasion but said "some of the ships are taking precautions."

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#90218d7450 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBAI (AUG. 6) - Iraqi troops controlling Kuwait city are tightening restrictions on movements of residents, who are mobbing supermarkets in the fear that stocks will run out, Lloyds Shipping Agency said here Monday.

The Agency's Dubai branch said it had received a telex from the Lloyds Shipping office in Kuwait Sunday describing the situation there as "relatively calm".

"All our people are safe. They have been able to move around but the Iraqi troops are becoming more restrictive," a Lloyds official said.

"The supermarkets are open but mobbed. There are stocks for about one week, according to the latest message," he added.

He said the telex made no reference to the situation at the port of Kuwait, where according to other shipping sources here, Iraqi troops have blocked several vessels and detained their crews.

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#90218d7680 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (AUG. 6) - Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati Monday warned here that his country would not remain indifferent to last week's Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

''We could not sit indifferently in the face of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and we will continue coordinating with our brothers in Syria,'' Velayati said at the end of a two-day stay in Syria.

The minister earlier said without elaborating that he handed a letter to Syrian President Hafez Assad from his Iranian counterpart Hashimi Rafsanjani.

Velayati reiterated that Damascus and Teheran demand the withdrawal of the Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

He left for Muscat where he is to discuss with high-ranking Omani officials the latest developments in the region, the Iranian News Agency Irna reported.

Iraq and Iran fought an eight-year war until a U.N.-sponsored truce halted battles in August 1988. Kuwait backed Iraq in the war.

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#90218d7750 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 6) - A emergency NATO council meeting was held here Monday to discuss the situation in the Gulf following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait last Thursday, reliable sources said here.

The question of a possible U.S. intervention was not raised, the sourceas said.

The council, which groups the permanent representatives of the 16 member states of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) exchanged views about the latest developments in Kuwait.

Later Monday NATO's political committee was to meet for the same reason.

The Iraqi-installed regime in Kuwait said life was returning to normal Monday after the first phase of an Iraqi pullout, as the U.N. Security Council was set to impose sweeping sanctions on Baghdad.

In Washington government officials mapped contingency war plans and President George Bush blasted Iraqi leaders as liars and outlaws.

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#90218d7760 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 6) - Convicted murderer and ex-body guard Jerry Richardson who killed a 14-year-old black activist on New Year's Day 1988 in the belief he was a police informer, was under the spell of Winnie Mandela, a psychologist said in court here on Monday.

The witness called by Mr. Richardson's defence to help save him from the gallows told the Rand Supreme Court that the 41-year-old coach of the so-called Mandela United Football Club was of limited intelligence, violent, aggressive, easily influenced and "seemed to take his cue from Winnie Mandela."

Mr. Richardson was found guilty in May of murdering Stompie, a child activist with a considerable following among schoolchildren in Johannesburg's black township Soweto, on New Year's Day 1988.

The trial has cast Winnie Mandela, wife of African National Congress (ANC) Deputy President Nelson Mandela, in the role of ghost defendant.

It was she who allegedly had Richardson and other footballers who served as her bodyguards snatch Stompie and three other boys from a Methodist manse in Soweto to be grilled about their supposed homosexual relationship with a minister.

Witnesses told the trial she had beaten the boys when they were brought into her home in Soweto's Diepkloof district, where they were allegedly held for more than one week.

The court also heard that she had accused Stompie of betraying four ANC activists killed by police in Parys, some 100 kilometres (62 miles) south of here.

The hearing to sentence Mr. Richardson began Monday and was expected to last well into the week.

Witwatersrand Attorney-General Klaus von Lieres began considering Monday whether or not to prosecute Mrs. Mandela, who was not called as a witness in the Richardson trial, the Johannesburg Daily Mail reported.

Mrs. Mandela faced new allegations last Friday, when at the multiple murder trial of another Mandela United Football Club member, Charles Bongani Zwane, the mother of a murder victim said Mrs. Mandela had "mandated" Mr. Zwane to kill her son.

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#90218d7810 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 6) - British retail sales fell by 2.6 per cent in June compared with May, official final seasonally corrected figures showed here on Monday.

On July 16 provisional figures had indicated that retail sales were down by 2.8 per cent.

Compared with June 1989, sales in June were up by 1.1 per cent on a revised basis compared with an earlier provisional increase of 0.9 per cent.

In May sales had risen by 1.4 per cent compared with the previous month.

During the three months to June the seasonally adjusted volume of sales showed an increase of 0.6 per cent compared with the previous quarter, unchanged on the provisional figure.

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#90218d7920 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 6) - Work goes on as normal at the Kuwaiti embassy in the West German capital Bonn despite last week's military invasion of the tiny oil-rich Gulf country by its neighbour Iraq.

Ambassador to Bonn Khalid al-Babtin, echoing remarks by other Kuwaiti heads of mission around the world, dismissed the new Iraqi-installed interim government as ''a puppet regime''.

''This regime, which consists only of Iraqis, does not represent the interests of the Kuwaiti population,'' the diplomat said.

Meanwhile, some 100 Kuwaiti demonstrators - men, women and children - staged a protest outside Baghdad's mission in Bonn, carrying banners which said, ''Kuwait is ours - Long live the Emir''.

They also waved photographs of Kuwaiti ruler Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah who fled to Saudi Arabia following Thursday's invasion.

''It is terrible that we don't know what is happening to our families,'' said a 50-year-old Kuwaiti man in despair, who like others, is stranded here now. Originally he had planned to fly home Friday after undergoing an operation here.

''I want (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein's head,'' said another irate demonstrator, standing in the garden of the Kuwaiti embassy where protestors had met for the protest march.

Al-Babtin said that Kuwaitis who travelled to West Germany for a holiday or for medical treatment will not be able to return home for the time being. Most of them had decided to travel on to Gulf states like Saudi Arabia and Bahrain.

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#90218d7930 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMABONN (AUG. 6) - Iraqi occupation forces in Kuwait Monday evacuated foreigners living in hotels to an unknown destination, Gulf-based Western diplomatic sources told the German News Agency dpa.

The sources added that no foreigner was able to cross the border from Kuwait into Saudi Arabia, where diplomats have been awaiting refugees from the invaded country.

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#90218d7960 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 6) - Rioting broke out in Jerusalem Monday as Jews attacked Arabs following the brutal murders of two Jewish youths by unknown assailants.

A crowd of Jewish residents blocked the two main roads leading from the capital to Bethlehem and the main population centres in the West Bank and pelted cars belonging to Palestinians.

Other Palestinians were physically attacked by groups of irate residents.

The bodies of Lior Tubul 17, and Ronen Karamani, 18, missing since Saturday, were discovered at the bottom of a gorge separating a Jewish Jerusalem suburb, Ramot, from its Arab neighbour Shu'afat.

Eye-witnesses said the bodies were found bound and gagged with signs of numerous stab wounds and strangulation. One of the bodies also had had its skull crushed with a rock.

Israel Army Radio reported that family members attacked journalists and photographers upon learning of the deaths, and that crowds of irate Jewish residents gathered in Ramot.

The youths were last seen Saturday night on leaving their homes to visit a girlfriend. An initial investigation indicated they had been ambushed at the roadside by four people who took them on foot down to the gorge.

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#90218d8100 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAMMU, INDIA (AUG. 6) - Four elderly Hindu ascetics fell nearly 1,000 feet (300 metres) to their deaths early Monday on a mountain trek to a popular pilgrimage site in the Himalayas, Indian officials said.

Some 90 others suffered severe breathlessness due to lack of oxygen and many had to be revived by medical teams, officials said in the winter capital of the northern state of Kashmir.

Almost 4,000 people, including 500 foreigners, were on the pilgrimage to the 12,500-feet-high (3,750 metre) holy Amarnath Cave dedicated to Lord Shiva, the Hindu god of destruction, located south of the Kashmir valley.

Monday was the climax of the annual pilgrimage which Moslem separatists had threatened to disrupt unless militants jailed outside Kashmir were returned to the state.

An spokesman said the pilgrims had been provided with a heavy security escort to tackle any eventuality.

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#90218d8250 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 6) - The Iraqi-installed regime in Kuwait said life was returning to normal Monday after the first phase of an Iraqi pullout, as the U.N. Security Council was set to impose sweeping sanctions on Baghdad.

The Middle East waited for key decisions from both the Security Council in New York and from Washington, where government officials mapped contingency war plans and President George Bush blasted Iraqi leaders as liars and outlaws.

Kuwait was cut off from the outside world for the second straight day, but a Gulf shipping agency said residants were mobbing supermarkets in fear that stocks would run out, according to a telex received from Kuwait city.

The provisional government in Kuwait called Monday for employees in the services, health and energy sectors to return to work, Iraqi television reported.

"With order restored and in view of the easing of the curfew, all employees (in these sectors) are called upon to return to their workplaces," the new interior ministry said.

The nine-man military adminstration said Sunday that a round-the-clock curfew imposed after last Thursday's invasion was being relaxed to allow civilians to venture out between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Iraq announced Sunday that some of its units had begun to pull out of Kuwait but the report was disputed by the United States, which is pressing for tough U.N. sanctions on Baghdad.

Washington said there was no independent confirmation of the withdrawal. But Baghdad-based correspondents visited the Iraqi border post of Safwan at the invitation of the information ministry to watch hundreds of soldiers drive north from Kuwait.

An AFP reporter counted 74 loaded lorries and transporters carrying armoured vehicles heading for the southern Iraqi city of Basra.

The Iraqi News Agency reported that tens of thousands of volunteers were still flocking to recruitment centres in Iraq to register for the Kuwait's new "popular army", a force made up mostly of Iraqis.

Baghdad announced Saturday that more than 140,000 volunteers were seeking to join the force to support the provisional government. Hundreds of them have already taken up positions in the centre of Kuwait city.

The ruling Al-Sabah royal family, most of whose members have taken refuge in Saudi Arabia since the invasion, said Sunday that around 700 Kuwaitis were killed in the Iraqi operation.

In New York, the United Nations Security Council was poised to meet later Monday to vote on stiff economic sanctions and an arms embargo against Iraq to protest the invasion.

A Security Council resolution adopted Thursday condemned the intervention and called for an immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces.

While President Bush blasted Iraqi leaders as "international outlaws and renegades," accusing Baghdad of lying about its announced start of a withdrawal, war clouds appeared to be gathering in Washington.

U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney arrived Monday in the Western Saudi city of Jeddah for talks with King Fahd on the Iraqi invasion and the threat posed to oil-rich Saudi Arabia.

President Bush, who has warned Iraq against moving troops into Saudi Arabia, proposed that Ankara shut off Iraqi oil pipelines running through Turkish territory to the Mediterranean. Saudi Arabia also has an Iraqi pipeline that reaches terminals on the Red Sea.

The president has meanwhile instructed U.S. government agencies to study covert action to destabilize Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and stop him turning his country into an "Arab superpower", the Washington Post reported.

The paper, which cited informed sources, said Mr. Bush had given the order after discussing events in the Gulf with William Webster, director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

On the economic front, with Japan having joined the United States and the European Economic Community in an embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil, North Sea Brent oil soared by more than 8.5 per cent to 26 dollars per barrel on Monday.

Brent oil closed Friday at 23.95 dollars. The rise was the highest since January 1986.

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#90218d8280 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (AUG. 6) - Yemeni President Ali Abdullah Saleh has presented recently to his Egyptian counterpart, Hosny Mubarak, a peace plan leading to an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, the Saudi Arabian daily Ashark al-Awsat reported Monday.

It quoted sources from Cairo as saying that consultations were underway to persuade Baghdad to support the proposed plan. No more details were revealed.

There were unconfirmed reports saying that a possible Arab peace plan would include Kuwaiti territorial concessions to Iraq and cash.

Yemen, Iraq, Egypt and Jordan form the Arab Cooperation Council. Saleh held talks in the past few days with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, Saudi King Fahd and Mubarak.

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#90218d8460 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 6) - Britain stressed to Iraq on Monday the seriousness with which it views the security of the 3,000 Britons in Kuwait and 2,000 in Iraq.

Roger Tomkys, under-secretary of state for Middle East Affairs in the Foreign Office, told Ambassador Azmeh al-Sahili that Iraq must "fulfil its obligations to safeguard the British community," a spokesman reported.

He said the ambassador was left with "no doubt of the seriousness with which we see the situation".

Among the Britons are 35 military advisers who were arrested in Kuwait and moved to a hotel in Baghdad.

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#90218d8550 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (AUG. 6) - The United States and Vietnam opened talks here Monday aimed at speeding up a settlement of Cambodia's civil war.

A three-member U.S. delegation led by Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs Kenneth Quinn sat down with a

four-member Vietnamese team headed by Hanoi's chief United Nations representative, Trinh Xuan Lang, at the Vietnamese U.N. mission.

The talks, which are being held at Washington's request, are part of a revised U.S. policy on Cambodia announced by Secretary of State James Baker in Paris July 18.

Under the new policy, aimed at preventing a return to power by the communist Khmer Rouge, Washington withdrew its diplomatic support for the Khmer Rouge-dominated Cambodian resistance at the United Nations. The United States also said it was considering establishing direct contacts with the Hanoi-backed Government in Phnom Penh.

A State Department official Monday said the "get-acquainted" session would be "the first of what we hope will be many talks" on Cambodia.

Mr. Baker said last month that Vietnam's cooperation on Cambodia could lead to a full-scale normalization of relations between Hanoi and Washington, including a lifting of the 15-year-old U.S. trade embargo against Vietnam.

Vietnamese officials have expressed readiness to help bring about free and fair elections in Cambodia. But they have served notice they will not agree to pressure their Cambodian ally into accepting formation of a proposed Supreme National Council.

Formation of the council, which would bring together representatives of the four Cambodian parties -- the Phnom Penh Government, the Khmer Rouge and the two U.S.-backed non-communist factions of the tripartite Cambodian resistance -- has emerged as a key element of a future settlement along with creation of a U.N. interim authority.

The council and the U.N. authority would jointly lead Cambodia to internationally-supervised elections.

The growing military strength of the Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge, who are blamed for the deaths of hundreds of thousands of Cambodians during their rule from 1975 to January 1979 when they were ousted by Hanoi's troops, has triggered alarm in both Washington and Hanoi.

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#90218d8570 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (AUG. 6) - Iran is opposed to any conditions set by Britain for the restoration of full diplomatic relations between the two countries, a senior foreign ministry official said here Monday.

"Iran will not accept any conditions leading to the resumption of political relations with Britain," said Hussein Moussavian, director general of

European and American affairs at the foreign ministry.

He also stressed that any renewal of links between the two countries should be based on principles of "mutual respect, non-interference in the internal affairs of other countries and respect for (religious) beliefs and international regulations."

Iran's Supreme National Council said Saturday it favoured the renewal of ties after recent remarks by British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd.

The British Government noted the Iranian national council's statement with "interest" but also called on Teheran to make "a substantive gesture of goodwill."

A leading Iranian newspaper, Jomhoori Islami, said in a commentary Monday that Britain must take the next step to improve its ties with Teheran.

"The Islamic Republic of Iran, acting with great indulgence, has considered Hurd's statements enough to meet Teheran's term for resumption of diplomatic ties," said Jomhoori Islami, a paper close to anti-Western Islamic hardliners.

"Thus, it is now London's turn to show goodwill and release the Iranian student Mehrdad Kokabi from a British jail," the daily said.

It also stressed that the Iranian death decree against the Moslem-born British author Salman Rushdie would remain valid after any restoration of ties with Britain.

"As a sign of goodwill, (London) must stop protecting him and expel him or hand him over to Moslems," Jomhoori Islami added, describing Britain as a "lion with no mane, tail or belly."

Last week Mr. Hurd said Britain never intended to insult Islam and had nothing to do with publishing "The Satanic Verses," the novel by Mr. Rushdie denounced by many Moslems as blasphemous to Islam.

Iran and Britain severed ties in March 1989, one month after the late spiritual guide, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, issued a death sentence against Mr. Rushdie.

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#90218d8580 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELSHAMBURG (AUG. 6) - The European Community Commission, acting on orders by E.C. foreign ministers over the weekend, Monday began preparations to stop oil imports from Iraq and Kuwait, but some experts raised doubts about how an embargo could be enforced.

The E.C. Commission's plans for cutting off the oil imports were to be discussed by the member countries' ambassadors either Tuesday or Wednesday a Commission spokesman said.

He stressed that the oil cutoff should provide no cause for panic on the market, saying that the Community had sufficient reserves at the moment and that it being summertime, consumption was low.

Last year the E.C. imported 30.2 million tonnes of oil from Iraq, more than one-fifth of the Iraqis' output of 138 million tonnes.

Meanwhile the Dutch foreign ministry said that starting mid-week, the port of Rotterdam would be blocked to tankers carrying Kuwaiti or Iraqi petroleum.

But there were some doubts about whether an embargo could be completely enforced, some industry experts noting that an oil embargo imposed against South Africa in 1977 has been circumvented.

An oil importer in Hamburg, West Germany, remarked that ''if the Iraqis push their price down, there will always be somebody in Europe ready to push a bargain''.

Market analysts said a complete international embargo on Iraqi oil would cost Baghdad 83.2 million dollars a day in lost revenues.

In a related development, the 21-nation International Energy Agency in Paris is to meet on Thursday to review oil market developments in the wake of the Gulf crisis.

An Iea spokesman said the organisation had no plans at the moment to invoke emergency procedures for distributing oil when supplies fall seven per cent short of the member countries' needs.

''We are going to examine all option,'' the Iea spokesman said, among them a review of how strategic oil reserves could be tapped.

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#90218d8620 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANJUL (AUG. 6) - Liberia had become "the country of massacres" and its neighbours should take urgent steps to end the seven-month civil war there, Gambian President Dawda Jawara said here Monday as he opened a regional mini-summit on the continuing combat.

Sir Dawda, current chairman of the 16-nation Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), said it could no longer tolerate the situation in

Liberia. He told his fellow heads of state from Nigeria, Ghana, Guinea and Sierra Leone, and representatives from Mali and Togo, that ECOWAS and the wider international community had been mistaken in thinking when the Liberian crisis broke out late in December that it was a purely internal affair which Liberians could settle themselves.

When rebels seeking to overthrow President Samuel Doe held abortive peace talks in Sierra Leone last month, ECOWAS proposed a ceasefire and the stationing of a peace maintenance force, Sir Dawda said. A government would be set up next to prepare for free elections.

The rebel National Patriotic Front of Liberia headed by former civil servant Charles Taylor has stated its opposition to any intervention force though on Sunday it agreed to an operation by U.S. marines to evacuate American nationals.

Senior rebel spokesman Thomas Woewiyu was due at the summit, but there was no sign of him or any other rebel delegates as the meeting got underway. There were no representatives from Mr. Doe either.

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#90218d8660 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 6) - The chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo), Yassir Arafat, Monday ended talks with Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak on the Gulf crisis and continued to the Saudi Arabian city of Jeddah.

The Egyptian news agency Mena said without elaborating that the two leaders discussed in Alexandria ''the latest developments in the situation in the Gulf region in light of the Iraqi invasion of the state of Kuwait and ways to find a peaceful solution for the issue within the Arab framework''.

Mubarak's advisor, Osama al-Baz, said the Egyptian head of state would continue his contacts with Arab leaders.

Press reports said Mubarak was frustrated because Iraqi President Saddam Hussein promised him shortly before Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait that Baghdad would solve difference with Kuwait politically.

Mubarak's feels he was used by Saddam to calm the world, thus allowing the Iraqis to prepare the surprise invasion of Kuwait, the French daily Le Monde wrote.

Meanwhile, the Kuwaiti embassy in Cairo issued a communique in which it appealed to world relief organisations to help Kuwait's population under Iraqi occupation.

Mena quoted the statement as saying that Iraqi soldiers had plundered ships, banks and shops. Iraqis also stole private Kuwaiti cars. These measures aimed at replacing Kuwaitis with Iraqi nationals, the communique read.

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#90218d8750 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (AUG. 6) - Striking Bangladesh doctors on Monday rejected government calls for talks and turned down a presidential appeal to end their campaign and negotiate, Bangladesh Medical Association (BMA) sources said.

The BMA has repeatedly refused to enter into talks unless a new health policy it opposes is scrapped.

President Hussain Mohammad Ershad urged the doctors Sunday to call off their strike, saying parliament had only approved a resolution on the proposed health care plan, which had yet to become law.

"We want to hold discussions with you about formulating a new health policy," the president said.

A BMA spokesman dismised the offer as a "gimmick".

The BMA, which represents more than 10,000 doctors, turned down a similar offer Thursday from Health and Family Welfare Minister Azizur Rahman.

The BMA said it would be willing to negotiate only with the vice president or prime minister if "formally" invited.

Newspapers reported that hundreds of people were suffering because of the strike.

Twenty-six patients reportedly died overnight in several hospitals, bringing to 76 the death toll since the strike began July 28.

The BMA again refused to comment on the deaths, which officials said occurred because doctors were either unavailable or unwilling to give treatment.

A BMA executive committee member, M. Iqbal Arseline, said the doctors would continue striking and go ahead with a planned mass resignation on August 15, when the stoppage is scheduled to end.

Doctors insist the new health policy is a conspiracy to privatize the health sector, and say that in its current form the policy cannot fulfill its target of serving the masses.

Official sources said the health ministry was preparing papers to declare the health services "essential," enabling them to take legal action against government doctors who ignored the order.

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#90218d8760 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAMMU, INDIA (AUG. 6) - The Kashmir administration clamped a valley-wide curfew and gave security forces shoot-to-kill orders Monday as street protests flared following the arrest of 10 top Moslem militants.

The indefinite curfew was enforced in Srinagar city, the summer capital of Kashmir, and all 25 towns in the strife-torn valley.

Official sources, based here in the state's winter capital, said security forces were armed with orders to shoot curfew-violators on sight.

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#90218d8800 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 6) - The assets of ten of Japan's largest corporations increased sharply during the last fiscal year, according to a study released Monday by the Japan Economic Journal.

Total assets of the top ten Japanese firms, excluding banks, brokerage houses, and insurance companies, rose to 83.2 trillion yen (555 billion dollars) representing an average yearly growth of 45 percent.

The gains in assets, including real estate, machinery, securities, and liquid assets, were attributed to attempts by the firms to diversify and to a rash of mergers and acquisitions, especially abroad, said the study. The study also pointed to those companies, such as automobile manufacturers, that had set up massive operations outside Japan.

Mitsubishi Corporation topped the list, with assets valued at 11.7 trillion yen (78 billion dollars), representing a 55 percent rise in the fiscal year ending March 31.

Telecommunications giant Nippon Telegraph and Telephone came second with assets of 11.4 trillion yen (76 billion dollars), followed by Mitsui and Co. with 9.6 trillion yen (64 billion dollars), Marubeni Corp. with 8.7 trillion yen (58 billion dollars) and Matsushita Electric with 7.8 trillion yen (52 billion dollars).

From sixth to tenth place came the electronics group Hitachi, trading house C. Itoh and Co., automobile manufacturers Toyota and Nissan, and consumer credit company Nippon Shipan.

Sony's assets grew 134 percent, putting them into 15th position, thanks mainly to purchase of Columbia Pictures Entertainment Inc. for 3.6 billion dollars.

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#90218d8810 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK, (AUG. 6) - Thai Premier Chatichai Choonhavan said here Monday his government would target average growth of nine per cent a year over the next half decade.

Mr. Chatichai, announcing the guidelines of the country's Seventh National Economic and Social Development Plan (1991-1995) to an extraordinary cabinet session, said that during the next five years, inflation would be trimmed to an average of 5.5 per cent.

But he said his administration would seek to hold growth of gross domestic product (GDP) at nine per cent, from the current estimated nine to 11 per cent.

Mr. Chatichai said his adminstration would seek to limit the trade deficit to seven per cent of GDP, and would balance the current account by the end of the Seventh Plan.

Per-capita income is expected to increase from 32,400 baht (1,296 dollars) in 1989 to 75,000 baht (3,000 dollars) by 1995, he said.

He also stressed the need to assist poor and landless farmers by giving them more opportunities to own land. He said the government would seek to boost the income of small farmers and low-income urban workers.

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#90218d8850 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (AUG. 6) - Frankfurt stocks plunged on Monday, as the DAX spot trend indicator plummeted by 100.01 points on Gulf and oil news to hit 1,740.93, its low point for the year, representing a drop of 5.4 per cent.

The Commerzbank indicator shed 109 points to finish at 2,152.5.

Operators said that there was no panic selling generally, and a few investors were ready to pick up some stocks on the cheap.

Auto stocks were hit particularly hard, BMW dropping 35 to close at 512, Volkswagen 35.20 to 538, Mercedes 44 to 617, and Daimler-Benz 63 to 771.50.

Capital goods were also marked sharply lower, KHD giving up 32 and Linde

45. In energy, Veba was down 30.50 and Preussag 31.

Mannesmann was hardest hit in the steel sector, off 22.80 to finish at 301.50.

Banks were all losers, Commerzbank falling 16.90 to 275, Dresdner Bank 26 to 407.50, and Deutsche 43 to 755.

The bond market was depressed by the Iraqi-Kuwait conflict and a fear of higher interest rates and taxes in connection with new East German requests for funds. The average yield on government issues zoomed Monday to 8.92 per cent, against 8.80 on Friday.

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#90218d8870 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 6) - The KGB, the Soviet state security service, has arrested a researcher at a Moscow institute as he attempted to transfer top secret material to a representative of a foreign state, Tass news agency reported Monday.

The top secret material was related to defence matters, the agency said, quoting a KGB announcement, giving no detail.

"Criminal proceedings have been instituted under article 64 of the criminal code of the Russian Federation (high treason)," the KGB said.

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#90218d8900 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 6) - Iraqi forces in Kuwait Monday began arresting British and American citizens at the Kuwait airport and at the SAS hotel in the centre of Kuwait City, the Foreign Office announced here.

Those arrested were to be sent to Iraq, the Foreign Office added.

The report came from diplomatic sources in Kuwait, it said, adding that there was no information about the number of people who had been picked up.

Some 3,000 British citizens are currently in Kuwait.

At the weekend 35 British military advisors in Kuwait were arrested and taken to Bagdhad. Diplomatic negotiations on their fate were held unsucessfully throughout the weekend.

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#90218d8910 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EAST BERLIN (AUG. 6) - The East German government of Premier Lothar de Maiziere teetered on the brink of collapse Monday amid controversy over plans for an early general election in both Germanys leading to speedy unification.

The Social Democratic Party (Spd) warned it may leave the three-party coalition headed by de Maiziere's Christian Democratic Union (Cdu). Two weeks ago, the Liberals quit the coalition in a row over a new election law.

The Spd and the right-wing German Social Union (Dsu), which is also in the government, said they would present separate bills for rapid unification with West Germany at Wednesday's session of parliament.

Both bills envisage the former communist East Germany becoming part of West Germany the day a unification accord is signed by East Berlin and Bonn.

The move is aimed at halting the deterioration of the economic situation in East Germany, where the number of unemployed is rising drastically and companies are collapsing owing to the switch from socialism to a free market economy.

De Maiziere's Cdu and his West German ally, Chancelor Helmut Kohl, want unification coupled with early elections on October 14. Originally, general elections in both Germanys were scheduled on December 2.

The East German Cdu is expected to ask parliament on Wednesday to pass a resolution asking its West German equivalent to amend the constitution in order to allow early elections. The Cdu is the largest party in the East German legislature, the Volkskammer.

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#90218d8940 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KINSHASA (AUG. 6) - Zaire's former foreign minister Nguza Karl-I-Bond said Monday he had merged his Independent Republican Party with the National Federation of Convinced Democrats following a tour of his home province Shaba (formerly Katanga) last week.

He said the new grouping would be "a very serious adversary" to President Mobutu Sese Seko's former monopoly party the People's Revolutionary Movement, which last week substituted 'renewal' for 'revolutionary' in its title.

Marshal Mobutu said in April political pluralism would be allowed, with primary elections due early next year to select three major parties from among the nearly 60 movements that have sprung up since his decision.

Marshal Mobutu has said he would himself be above the party fray, acting as a "referee" in the new system.

A split has meanwhile appeared in the MPR, with a close Mobutu aide, Prof. Vunduawe, claiming the newly renamed version is illegal and that only his renewal wing was the true guarantor of the old single party.

Another one-time government minister, Mungul Diaka, said he had formed a party to give representation to intellectuals, who had lacked a voice previously.

Mr. Karl-I-Bond meanwhile said that during his stay in the provincial capital Lubumbashi he had received a lot of evidence confirming that university students there were killed in May in an attack on the campus. He repeated his earlier call for an international inquiry into what he said was clearly a violation of human rights.

Amnesty International and Belgian and Zambian press reports have spoken of between 50 to 150 deaths when local security forces raided the campus, and a panel of Zairean MPs reported there had been a massacre without being able to give a toll. The government account is that one student was killed and a dozen injured.

-30- 2056

#90218d8960 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VICTORIA (AUG. 6) - U.S. Pacific Commander Admiral Huntington Hardisty said here Monday that he does not foresee his fleet being involved in the Iraq-Kuwait conflict.

According to the Seychelles Nation Daily, the admiral who met President France Albert Rene said "we'll have to wait and see what happens."

He said although Eastern and Western block countries have settled their differences, the United States still depended on the seas for communication.

Pointing out that Seychelles was also a maritime nation, the admiral said peace and prosperity in the region could be maintained with the cooperation of armed forces of both countries.

The admiral has already visited Mauritius, Madagascar and Kenya, and was due to leave in the evening for the Maldives.

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#90218d9080 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 6) - Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories are

euphoric over the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein hailed in some quarters as a new liberator for the Arab world.

"Today, Saddam has invaded Kuwait," gushed 18-year-old Moustapha A., a dishwasher in the West Bank community of Azaria. "Tomorrow he will free all of Palestine."

While much of the international community, including the Arab League and the Organization of the Islamic Conference, has condemned Iraq's military operation last Thursday, Mr. Hussein appears each day on the front pages of Palestinian newspapers, a towering figure wearing a medal-bedecked uniform.

"Saddam Hussein is a great patriot who wants the best for the entire Arab nation," declared Adli Aref, a carpenter from east Jerusalem.

"But he must now strengthen his position by invading all the Gulf states before he attacks Israel and solves the Palestinian question."

For Mr. Aref, "The Kuwaitis betrayed the trust of other Arab peoples in stealing oil from Iraq and getting rich on the backs of its population. Saddam was right."

Maher, a young taxi driver from Hebron on the West Bank who once worked in Kuwait, makes no effort to hide his admiration for President Hussein.

"He's the only Arab leader who has the courage to do what he says he will do. The Kuwaitis hate the Palestinians."

In east Jerusalem a moneychanger said he was "disgusted" by the avalanche of international condemnation aimed at Iraq.

"Palestinians in the occupied territories have endured 23 years of Israeli occupation -- but no one condemns or boycotts Israel."

The possibility that President Hussein could make good on a recent threat and attack Israel with chemical weapons, which would cause heavy Arab casualties, does not disturb many residents of the occupied territories.

"If that is our fate, we would prefer to die under Iraqi gas than under Israeli bullets," asserted Umm Ahmad Abu Zina. "It would be no worse than what we are living under now."

Palestinian leaders and dignitaries strike a more measured tone, despite the fact that the Palestine Liberation Organization last week opposed an Arab League resolution condemning the Iraqi invasion.

"We are opposed to any form of occupation and we want to see the parties settle the conflict by diplomatic and peaceful means," according to Ghassan

Hatib, a professor at Bir Zeit University on the West Bank.

For Ramadan Abu Ayash, head of the Association of Arab Journalists from the occupied territories, "this confrontation must end, since the real conflict is the one between Israel and the Palestinians."

Another professor, Sa'eb Erakat of Al-Najah University, said "Palestinians are pleased that Saddam Hussein has been able to shake up the Arab world."

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#90218d9260 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (AUG. 6) - The architects of a new South Africa, 10 government and African National Congress (ANC) leaders, were locked in historic talks late Monday to clear the way for negotiations on enfranchising the black majority.

President Frederik de Klerk sat directly opposite ANC Deputy President Nelson Mandela in Die Oud Presidensie (The Old Presidency) here, the house Sir Herbert Baker designed for the former British Governors-General.

Both sides were optimistic of an agreement that could set up real talks on a post-apartheid South Africa.

But even as they talked one of the main stumbling blocks, politically-motivated violence, made itself painfully felt.

Kagiso black township near Krugersdorp, west of Johannesburg, sank into an orgy of killing as Zulus from Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha party clashed with ANC supporters.

Commercial radio reports said 10 people had been killed since Sunday, when armed Inkatha supporters returning from a rally in Johannesburg's black township Soweto reportedly tried to turn Xhosa-speakers away from the migrant workers' hostels they share.

Four people were killed in the hostels Sunday night, according to police, who found the mutilated corpses on wasteground near the hostels Monday.

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#90218d9330 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROTTERDAM, Netherlands (AUG. 6) - Prices of crude oil and oil products on the Rotterdam spot market dropped late Monday afternoon, a market trader told AFP.

He said the Rotterdam spot price of North Sea Brent oil for September delivery was 25.90 dollars a barrel at the end of the afternoon, against

26.50 dollars in mid-afternoon but 23.50 at the Friday close.

He said that gas oil (diesel oil) was being quoted at the end of the afternoon at 232 dollars a tonne, against 239 dollars earlier in the day and 216 at the Friday close.

Super gasoline (petrol) was at 315 dollars a tonne at the end of the afternoon, compared with 295 dollars at the Friday close.

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#90218d9540 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 6) - The Paris Bourse, like other stock markets, plunged on Monday following an embargo on Iraqi oil imposed by Western powers, as the CAC-40 stock price index finished at 1,773.79, off 5.12 per cent.

Dealers said trading was active.

The Bourse opened with a 2.30 per cent drop of the CAC-40, and was down by more than seven per cent at one point, before recovering a bit of the lost ground.

The index has now lost 10.87 per cent in two weeks, and 11.36 per cent since the start of the year. The Monday loss was the biggest since a 10 per cent one-day plunge last fall in connection with junk bond problems.

Some leading issues depressed the general market, including LVMH (luxury goods), which accounts for 6.48 per cent of the CAC-40 index and plunged by 6.48 per cent on Monday.

Analysts said the markets particularly fear revived inflation at a time when the U.S. economy is giving numerous signs of weakness. They point to likely U.S. stagflation (low level of economic activity combined with high inflation) if oil prices remain at 25 dollars a barrel for some time. Hence the hope of lower interest rates has flown the coop.

Analysts noted Monday evening that the CAC-40 has broken down through a series of resistance levels, and they do not see anything on the horizon at present to stop the downtrend.

The drops Monday included 1.5 per cent for Matra, 1.3 per cent for Saint Louis, 10.2 per cent for Bouygues, and 14.5 per cent for SEB.

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#90218d9550 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 6) - Strikers at the Southern Sun chain of hotels here signed a wage agreement with management Monday to end a five-week

nationwide strike, the hotel group said.

Southern Sun Hotels spokesman Carl Ludick said 6,000 strikers would return to work on Wednesday with assurances of a 15 percent or 100 rands (38 dollars) a month increase backdated to April 1, with a further 20 rands (eight dollars) a month from September 1.

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#90218d9600 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 6) - India's ruling party hit out Monday at the dismissal of Pakistan's Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto, calling her abrupt sacking "anti-democratic," as New Delhi said it was closely watching the situation.

"The dismissal of Benazir Bhutto is a definite setback to the nascent democratic movement in Pakistan," said the Janata Dal (People's Party), the largest constituent of the ruling National Front alliance.

"Although India's relations with Pakistan did not improve under Ms. Bhutto, we are outraged by the anti-democratic character of her dismissal," party general secretary S. Jaipal Reddy said.

He said it was too early to comment on the possible impact the development would have on the often-stormy relations between India and Pakistan.

Relations between the two neighbours have deteriorated in recent months over a violent Moslem secessionist campaign on the Indian side of Kashmir which New Delhi alleges is backed by Pakistan.

India and Pakistan have fought three wars since independence from British rule in 1947, two of them over Kashmir.

Ms. Bhutto's dismissal was announced just three days before foreign secretaries of the two countries were due to meet here for a second round of talks on Kashmir.

The government of Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh reserved comment on the dismissal, but said it was keeping a close watch on developments in Pakistan.

A senior official in the prime minister's office said New Delhi was constantly monitoring the situation following Ms. Bhutto's sacking, and would have a substantive reaction later.

The dismissal was also condemned by the Communist Party of India-Marxist (CPI-M) and the right-wing Bharatiya Janata Party (Indian People's Party), both allies of the V.P. Singh government.

"This is not a positive development," senior CPI-M leader Harkishan Singh Surjeet said. "A democratic government being dismissed like this is retrograde," he added.

Former foreign minister Atal Behari Vajpayee of the BJP said it had led to an "unhappy situation," but did not elaborate.

India had effusively hailed Ms. Bhutto's rise to power in late 1988 as a triumph for democracy, seeing in her a hope for better relations.

But the hope did not materialise as traditional mistrust persisted between the two countries, and relations finally hit rock-bottom this year over Kashmir.

Belligerent statements from both capitals and reports of troop buildups whipped up war clouds in April which were later defused by diplomatic gestures. But tensions have persisted.

Former Indian foreign secretary S.K. Singh told the Press Trust of India that Ms. Bhutto "tried to make too many compromises with too many disparate elements and had fallen between many stools."

He said she had travelled rapidly from a "symbol of youthful hope to a promoter of religious passion."

Retired air commodore Jasjit Singh, director of the Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses here, said Ms. Bhutto's sacking had reconfirmed the "fundamental instability of Pakistan's political system."

He said the next elections would be the "greatest test" for Pakistan's fledgeling democratic movement.

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#90218d9730 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (AUG. 6) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein stressed Monday his nation's ''brotherly ties'' with neighbouring Saudi Arabia.

Saddam's remarks were carried by Iraqi television and followed a meeting with the U.S. charge d'affaires to Baghdad.

He said the two neighbouring Arab countries maintained a ''non-aggression and non-interference in each other's internal affairs treaty'' and ''we respect our commitments''.

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#90218d9740 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 6) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,493.00 (1,548.50) 1,482.50 (1,532.50)
Lead 451.50 (465.50) 457.50 (471.00)
Zinc Sh 1,549.50 (1,577.50) 1,496.50 (1,522.50)
Tin 6,080.00 (6,130.00) 6,185.00 (6,235.00)
Aluminium 1,728.50 (1,726.00) 1,758.00 (1,755.50)
Nickel 10,675.00 (10,750.00) 10,187.00 (10,187.00)

(The last three in dollars per ton)

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#90218d9770 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KABUL (AUG. 6) - The Afghan resistance fired a heavy barrage of rockets at this capital city on Monday, ending a week-long lull, a government spokesman said.

About 15 rockets slammed into Kabul's residential areas of Wazir Akbar Khan and Bibimaharo, killing at least eight people and seriously wounding seven more, government spokesman Humayun Mukammel said.

Airport officials said three of the rockets exploded outside Kabul international airport. There was no damage to the terminal building or any aircraft.

The rockets were fired from the Kohi Safi mountain area, some 30 kilometres (20 miles) northeast of Kabul, where the government has said its troops are carrying out "mopping-up operations" against mujahedeen guerrillas.

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#90218d9790 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (AUG. 6) - The North Atlantic Treaty Organisation announced on Monday that its secretary general, Manfred Woerner, would meet later in the day with U.S. President George Bush.

Mr. Woerner will travel to Washington directly from Canada, where he was on vacation, a spokesman said.

The announcement came after the council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, which is based here, held an emergency meeting to discuss the situation in the Gulf.

The question of a possible U.S. intervention was not raised at the council meeting, well-informed sources said.

NATO's political committee met later for the same reason.

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#90218d9840 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 6) - The United States and the Soviet Union must join forces to deal with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and other regional conflicts, a Soviet Foreign ministry spokesman said here Monday.

Echoing the views of U.S. President George Bush earlier that Iraq's action had threatened the United States, Yuri Gremitskikh told reporters at a press briefing that it "threatens world security in general."

Hence the superpowers needed to follow their joint declaration condemning the conflict, made August 3, with "future cooperation" to deter "increasing military confrontation in the world's explosive regions", he said.

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#90218d9850 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (AUG. 6) - Leaders and ministers of seven West African nations opened a conference in the Gambian capital Banjul Monday to discuss setting up a peace force to end the civil war in Liberia between two rival rebel leaders and President Samuel Doe.

''Given the loss of life, property and the refugee problem in Liberia, we can no longer afford to let the situation deteriorate further,'' Gambian President Dawda Jawara told the standing mediation committee on Liberia. The committee was set up by the 16-nation Economic Community of West African States (Ecowas).

Ghana, the Gambia, Mali, Nigeria and Togo are members of the committee, but ministers from Sierra Leone and Guinea were also attending because they were host to tens of thousands of Liberian refugees.

Salim Ahmed Salim, Secretary-General of the Organistion for African Unity (Oau), said prior to his departure to Banjul he hoped for a ''humanitarian solution'' of the eight-month-old dispute.

More than 300,000 Liberians have fled the country to seek refuge in neighbouring countries, he said.

The meeting came a day after U.S. marines began supervising the evacuation of the first of nearly 400 Americans from the Liberian capital Monrovia.

Nigeria announced last week that it was mobilizing a joint army, naval and airborne force with three other countries, including Ghana, to secure a ceasefire and rescue foreigners.

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#90218d9910 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FENDELL UNIVERSITY, Liberia (AUG. 6) - Tens of thousands of supporters of the rebel forces of Charles Taylor demonstrated here Monday against any intervention by West African states in the Liberian civil war.

The bulk of the protestors, who chanted "no Taylor no government", were from the 184,000 refugees sheltering at this university campus outside the capital, a correspondent reported.

Rebel leader Mr. Taylor also called demonstrations at Buchanan, the country's second port, Kakata, and Gbarnga, in the interior, as the Economic Community of West Africa (ECOWAS) gathered in the Gambia to consider intervening.

The initiative could take the form of an evacuation of non-Liberians caught up in the bloodshed or a bid to establish a ceasefire between two armed forces trying to topple President Samuel Doe.

(Marines landed in Monrovia on Sunday to evacuate U.S. citizens, a move to which Mr. Taylor said he had agreed.)

"Doe must go," shouted men, women and children as they marched on a five kilometre (three mile) circuit around the campus.

Placards warned "Liberia will be the graveyard of foreign aggressors," echoing the words of Mr. Taylor who says his National Patriotic Front (NPFL)' fighters will resist any intervention to the last man.

The demonstrators interspersed their anti-Doe chants with religious songs of hope such as "we shall overcome", waved on by people living in tin shacks along the roadside.

The marchers, occasionally breaking into a jog, crossed on the main road with scores more refugees, many of whom raised their fist in support as they headed away from the fighting in Monrovia.

But not all the refugees at Fendell took part. "Some are hungry, some are tired," explained pastor Eddie Gibson.

"No, no it's not a forced rally," he said.

"People support the NPFL. The NPFL is getting rice to our people. Only the

NPFL is protecting our people," he added. "The only thing the Doe people understand is the barrel of the gun."

A senior security guard on the campus, Rufus Parwon, accused those who did not join the demonstration of backing the tottering Doe regime.

"They are all Doe supporters," he said. "We give them food, everything. But they just sit here."

"But we don't force people. We make them understand ... If they are hungry they come to us and we give them food. But we expected them to join the march."

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#90218d9930 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANJUL (AUG. 6) - The leaders of five West African countries concerned with the fighting in Liberia met here on Monday and were heading toward a decision to declare a cease-fire, send in a peacekeeping force, create a provisional government and set up free elections, sources said.

The meeting of the leaders of Nigeria, Ghana, the Gambia, Guinea and Sierra Leone, along with envoys of Togo and Mali, held a closed-door meeting Monday that was to be followed by a meeting of the military chiefs of staffs of these countries.

The meeting is being hosted by the Gambian leader Dawda Jawara, who is the current president of the 16-nation Economic Ciomunity of West African States (ECOWAS), whose secretary general is also attending, as is the secretary general of the Organization of African Unity.

Regional leaders met in June in Freetown, Sierra Leone but decided to postpone sending in a peace-keeping force until an agreement could be reached between the embattled President Samuel Doe, and the two rebel factions fighting to oust him.

On Sunday, Charles Taylor, the leader of the larger of the two rebel armies, declared that his troops would shoot to kill any foreign troops who tried to interfere in his seven-month-old effort to end the 10-year-old regime of Mr. Doe.

The summit was expected to end Tuesday morning. Officials said the U.S. rescue of its citizens had helped create a mood that the West African neighbors of Liberia should go into action now end end efforts to conciliate the warring factions. The officials said any provisional government would have to exclude the leaders of all three warring armies--Mr. Doe, Mr. Taylor or Prince Johnson, leader of the smaller of the two rebel factions.

#90218d9950 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ANKARA (AUG. 6) - Turkey, whose strategic importance has slipped away since the end of the Cold War, is on the spot again with pressure to close two pipelines here vital to Baghdad following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Ankara was not expected to make any decision until after the United Nations Security Council vote later Monday on whether to impose economic sanctions against Iraq.

But a surprise announcement by the Anatolia News Agency on Monday said Iraq itself would close one of the two pipelines on Monday evening, and reduce the other line's capacity by 70 percent.

Anatolia gave no source for the information. But the move appeared aimed at heading off U.S. pressure on Turkey to shut the lines to get Baghdad to agree to a troop withdrawal.

As a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Turkey was seen in the days of sharp tension with Moscow as the key guardian of NATO's southern flank.

The country geographically bridges Asia and Europe but has long made clear its desire to be seen as an integral part of Europe.

Since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on Thursday, pressure has mounted to back the West's call for sanctions against Baghdad by stopping the Iraqi oil passing through Turkey.

But Iraq warned on Sunday that any such move would adversely affect their bilateral relations.

This has left Ankara with the decision of irritating Iraq, its powerful neighbor to the southeast, or irritating the West, in particular the Europe it has aimed so hard at joining.

Kaya Toperi, spokesman for President Turgut Ozal, said the new attention "is not a sign of the growing significance of Turkey but proof of its importance".

Turkey is the "sole element of stability in the region", he said.

U.S. President George Bush had three telephone calls with Mr. Ozal on Sunday alone, attesting to Turkey's new -- or resumed -- geo-strategic importance.

But the likelihood of whether it would go so far as to allow the U.S. Army to use NATO bases in eastern Turkey was uncertain.

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#90218d9970 08/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ZURICH (AUG. 6) - Zurich stocks plunged on Monday, as the Swiss Performance Index opened with a loss of 30 and finished 70.7 points lower at 1,072.8 (off 6.16 percent).

The Credit Suisse indicator finished at 601.6 against 638.3 at the Friday close, and the Swiss Bank Corp. index finished at 612.8 against 649.6.

Leading issues were hit hard, especially transport stocks and industrials. Swissair bearer stock plunged by 12.94 percent, and Crossair 13.91 percent.

In the industrial sector, Bobst gave up 14.47 percent, while Schindler was off 12 percent and Von Roll 10.39.

In banks, Banque Vaduz bearer stock lost 14.73 percent, and Banque Populaire Suisse 12.73.

Banque du Gotthard participation certificates went against the trend, rising by two percent.

Operators said they expect the next few sessions to be marked by a continuing downtrend.

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#90218e0017 08/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (AUG 6) EFE - Cesar Gaviria, who at the age of 43 is to become Colombia's youngest head of state in nearly a century on Tuesday, took up the mantle of presidential candidate in the aftermath of the slaying by cocaine gangs of the ruling Liberal Party's first hopeful, Luis Carlos Galan.

Gaviria entered the presidential race soon after Galan's teenage son made an emotional plea at his father's funeral almost a year ago for him to carry on his father's legacy.

The presidential race was to see two other candidates gunned down, and Gaviria declared upon winning the May 27 elections "The future starts now."

But almost a year after Galan's death, his alleged killers -- gunmen in the pay of the country's powerful cocaine cartels -- remain one of the most serious challenges to the next president.

President Virgilio Barco declared all-out war on the drug traffickers in response to Galan's slaying, and the billionaire drug lords retaliated with a counter-offensive of bombings and selective assassinations which have left hundreds dead.

Gaviria has promised to continue with his predecesor's tough stance against the traffickers, including extradition to the United States, who last week declared a temporary unilateral truce in their year-long offensive.

The president-elect, who is married and has two children, began his political career in the Los Andes University in Bogota, where he gave up a degree in nuclear engineering and signed up for economics classes, mixing studies with his first public offices.

Gaviria's family roots his interest in politics to years spent in the United States as a teenager, where he attended high school in the early 1960s and was influenced by the idealism of President John F. Kennedy.

On his return to Colombia, Gaviria at 22 became head of planning in Pereira, his hometown 300 km west of Bogota.

At the same time, Gaviria won a seat on Pereira's town council, a position he alternated with the post of assistant to the national planning chief in Bogota.

Gaviria has also held a seat in the House of Representatives of the department of Risarala on and off since 1974, serving as president of the House and a member of various committees.

Between 1978 and 1980, during the administration of President Julio Cesar Turbay Ayala, Gaviria was appointed deputy minister of economic development.

Gaviria also boasts some experience in journalism. In 1982 he directed Pereira's La Tarde newspaper and was a columnist on economic issues for the capital's El Tiempo until 1986.

In 1985, Virgilio Barco called on Gaviria to direct his presidential campaign and a year later, he was named the co-director of the Liberal party at 39.

Once Barco took power, he named Gaviria as treasury minister, between 1986 and 1987, and then interior minister from 1987 to early 1989.

In his last post, Gaviria was the principal advocate of an official peace initiative which led to the disarmament of the M-19 guerrilla group and its transformation into a legitimate political party.

The new president also faces five other active leftist rebel groups, and Gaviria has said he favors continuing with Barco's open-ended offer of peace talks.

Last week, Interior Minister Horacio Serpa Uribe announced that Gaviria would go along with agreements reached to begin direct demobilization talks with right-wing paramilitary groups suspected of killing thousands of leftist peasants.

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#90218e0031 08/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Spain (Aug 6). At least 30 hotels on Spain's Costa del Sol will go out of business at the end of the summer because of a drop in the number of tourists, a tourism industry official said Monday.

Antonio Maldonado, president of the Costa del Sol tourism association, said most of the hotels that will close are three-star hotels which will not qualify for government bailouts.

He blamed the decline in tourism on the depreciation of the pound sterling and the bankruptcy of some charter airlines which served Spain's southern Mediterranean coast.

Hotel bookings in Spain dropped by seven per cent in the first seven months of 1990 compared with the same period last year, according to the Spanish Hotel Federation.

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#90218e0035 08/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (AUG. 6) EFE - An unprecedented security operation was underway in the Colombian capital Monday, 24 hours before President-elect Cesar Gaviria was to be inaugurated in front of four presidents and seven vice-presidents, including U.S. number two Dan Quayle.

To test the effectiveness of the security measures, two look-alikes of Gaviria and his wife, Ana Milena Munoz, Monday ran through the swearing-in ceremony on a specially constructed bomb- and bullet-proof stage outside the Congress building.

During the actual inauguration Tuesday military helicopters will constantly circle over the proceedings, which will be broadcast to television audiences in 20 countries via satellite.

All streets around the presidential palace in Bogota have already been sealed off, and security operation chief, Cmdr. Ramon Niebles Uscategui,

Monday inspected all the hotels that are to house 80 visiting foreign dignitaries.

All Army units in central Colombia have been put on alert and a crack contingent of 200 security agents will accompany the guests from their hotels to the site of the inauguration.

An ambulance will also follow the VIPs along the route.

Gaviria, 43, has good reason to fear an assassination attempt since it was the murder by Colombia's ruthless Medellin cocaine cartel of Liberal Party presidential hopeful Luis Carlos Galan last August that allowed him to become a candidate.

Two other candidates were gunned down during the race for the presidency, which Gaviria won on May 27.

The four presidents attending the swearing-in ceremony are Argentina's Carlos Menem, Ecuador's Rodrigo Borja, Peru's Alberto Fujimori and Carlos Andres Perez of Venezuela.

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#90218e0040 08/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

QUITO (AUG. 6) EFE - Nine people were killed and seven injured Sunday when an Army helicopter burst into flames during an emergency landing in the Amazon jungle, Army officials said.

An engine fault forced the Army pilot to attempt the landing on a helicopter pad near Curaray in Pastaza province, 240 km east of Quito.

Five civilians and four Army pilots were killed in the chopper which had been hired out to an oil company.

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#90218e0043 08/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (AUG. 7) EFE - Prices in Argentina rose 804.2 percent during the first seven months of the year, the National Statistics and Census Institute (INDEC) revealed Monday.

The INDEC report also showed that the cost of living in Argentina for the month of July rose 10.8 percent, in spite of government hopes for a single digit figure.

After eight months of a drastic economic adjustment plan, the government of President Carlos Menem "is still optimistic" for a drop in inflation for the rest of the year, Planning Minister Moises Ikonicoff said.

The austerity and privatization program introduced by Menem has been rejected by trade unions and the opposition, who are demanding salary hikes and resisting the mass lay-offs designed to increase effeciency in state industries.

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#90218f0836 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Whtk	3	0	0	0	JoReed 2b	3	0	1	0
Frym	5	0	2	0	Quintana 1b	4	1	2	0
Trm	4	0	0	0	Boggs 3b	4	0	2	1
Shts dh	4	2	1	0	Burks cf	4	0	0	0
Msby	4	2	0	0	Greenwell lf	4	1	1	0
Wrd lf	4	1	1	0	Evans dh	4	0	2	1
Lsdr lf	0	1	0	0	Brunansky rf	4	0	0	0
Shlby	1	1	1	3	Pena c	4	0	0	0
Brgm	5	0	4	2	Naehring ss	3	0	0	0
					Lemon rf	5	0	1	2
					Heath c	5	0	1	0
					Petry p	0	0	0	0
Totls	40	7	11	7	Totals	34	2	8	2

Detroit 000 300 013- 7

Boston 000 100 010- 2

E-Naehring 2. DP-Detroit 1. LOB- Detroit 11, Boston 6. 2B-Lemon, Greenwell Quintana. HR-Shelby (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Petry (W 9-7)	7 2-3	6	2	2	1	5
Gleaton (S 5)	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	1
Boston						
Boddicker (L 11-7)	7	6	3	0	3	2
Lamp	1	2	1	1	1	1
Hesketh	1-3	1	2	2	1	0
Kiecker	2-3	2	1	1	0	1

T-3:05. A-34,581.

Umpires-Home, McKean; 1b, Young; 2b, Meriwether; 3b, Cedarstrom.

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CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Cole cf	3	2	1	0	Kelly cf	5	1	2	2
Brookens 2b	4	0	1	1	Sax 2b	4	0	0	0
Alomar c	4	0	0	0	Azocar lf	4	0	2	0
Maldonad rf	4	0	1	1	Hall rf	3	0	0	0
DJames dh	3	1	2	1	Barfield rf	1	0	1	0
Jacoby 3b	4	0	0	0	Maas 1b	3	1	0	0
Snyder rf	4	0	0	0	Nokes dh	2	1	1	0
Manto 1b	1	0	0	0	Balboni dh	1	0	0	0
Fermin ss	3	0	0	0	Leyritz 3b	4	1	1	1
DiJames ph	0	0	0	0	Geren c	4	0	1	1
Webster lf	1	0	0	0	Tolleson ss	3	1	1	0
Totals	31	3	5	3	Totals	34	5	9	4

Cleveland 000 011 010- 3
New York 000 300 002- 5

E-Cole, Hall, Leyritz 2, Manto. DP- Cleveland 2, New York 2. LOB-Cleveland 8, New York 7. 2B-Kelly, Barfield. HR-DJames (7), Kelly (9). S- Brookens.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Walker	7	6	3	3	2	1
Orosco	1-3	1	0	0	1	0
Olin (L 1-3)	1	2	2	2	0	1
New York						
LaPoint	7	3	2	1	4	1
Guetterman	2-3	2	1	1	1	0
Robinson	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Cadaret (W 4-4)	2-3	0	0	0	1	1

WP-Walker. PB-Geren. Balk- Walker. T-2:41. A-34,488.

Umpires-Home, Morrison; 1b, Joyce; 2b, Kosc; 3b, Hickox.

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CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Brdly lf	4	1	2	0	Molitor 2b	4	0	0	0
Vntr 3b	4	0	0	1	Surhoff c	4	1	1	0
Cldrn	4	1	2	1	Yount cf	2	0	0	1
Thm	3	0	1	0	Parker dh	4	0	1	0
Mrtnz	0	0	0	0	Deer rf	4	0	0	0
Sosa rf	3	1	0	0	Brock 1b	4	0	0	0
Krkvc	3	1	1	0	Hamilton lf	3	0	1	0

Jhns	4	1	2	3	Gantner 3b	3	0	1	0
Grbck	4	0	0	0	Spiers ss	3	0	1	0
					Guillen ss	4	1	1	1
Totls	33	6	9	6	Totals	31	1	5	1

Chicago 100 200 300- 6
Milwaukee 100 000 000- 1

DP-Milwaukee 1. LOB-Chicago 5, Milwaukee 5. 2B-Calderon, Parker, Bradley, Thomas. 3B-Surhoff, Johnson. SB-Bradley (12), Calderon (28), Sosa (19). SF-Yount, Ventura.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
McDowell (W 7-6)	9	5	1	1	1	0
Milwaukee						
Powell (L 0-3)	6 1-3	7	6	6	3	4
Lee	1 2-3	1	0	0	1	0
Veres	1	1	0	0	0	0

WP-Powell. T-2:25. A-35,541.

Umpires-Home, Denkinger; 1b, Shulock; 2b, McClelland; 3b, Merrill.

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OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
RHndr	4	2	1	1	Polonia lf	4	0	1	0
Blnkns	3	0	0	0	Hill 2b	4	0	1	0
Lnsfr	0	0	0	0	White cf	3	0	1	1
Cnsc rf	3	0	1	0	Winfield rf	4	0	0	0
DHnd	4	1	2	1	Stevens 1b	4	0	1	0
Stnb	4	1	1	0	Downing dh	3	0	0	0
McG	4	0	2	2	Schroeder c	3	0	1	0
Rndl	4	0	0	0	Venable ph	1	0	0	0
Wss ss	3	0	1	0	Anderson 3b	3	0	0	0
Gallg 2b	3	0	0	0	Schofield ss	3	1	1	0
Totls	32	4	8	4	Totals	32	1	6	1

Oakland 100 000 030- 4
California 000 001 000- 1

E-Blankenship. DP-Oakland 1, California 2. LOB-Oakland 6, California 6. 2B-Schroeder, Steinbach. 3B-White. HR-RHenderson (21). SB-RHenderson (49). S-White.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Oakland						
Stewart (W 15-8)	7	5	1	0	1	6
Honeycutt	1	0	0	0	0	1
Eckersley (S 35)	1	1	0	0	0	1
California						
Finley (L 14-5)	8	8	4	4	4	4
Fraser	1	0	0	0	1	0

Stewart pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

T-2:46. A-51,597.

Umpires-Home, Tschida; 1b, Reed; 2b, Cousins; 3b, Cooney.

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MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Lrn 2b	3	0	0	0	Reynolds 2b	3	1	1	0
Moss rf	3	0	0	0	Cotto rf	4	1	1	0
Pcktt cf	3	0	0	0	Griffey cf	3	2	1	1
Gatt 3b	4	0	1	0	Leonard lf	4	0	1	1
Hrbk	3	0	1	0	Davis dh	3	0	2	1
Hrpr	4	0	0	0	Brumley dh	0	0	0	0
Bsh dh	1	0	0	0	Martinez 3b	3	0	0	0
Ortz dh	1	0	0	0	O'Brien 1b	4	0	0	1
Nwmn	4	0	0	0	Sinatro c	4	0	1	0
Gagn ss	3	0	0	0	Vizquel ss	3	0	2	0
					Mack ph	1	0	1	0
Totls	30	0	3	0	Totals	31	4	9	4

Minnesota	000 000 000- 0
Seattle	300 001 00x- 4

E-Martinez, Gagne. DP-Minnesota 1, Seattle 1. LOB-Minnesota 10, Seattle 7.
2B-Reynolds, Gaetti, Vizquel, Davis, Mack. SB-Sinatro (1). SF-Davis.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Anderson (L 4-15)	6	7	4	3	2	4
Drummond	2	2	0	0	1	2
Seattle						
Swift	3 2-3	2	0	0	0	1
Harris (W 1-1)	1 1-3	0	0	0	4	1
Comstock (S 1)	4	1	0	0	2	2

Harris pitched to 2 batters in the 6th.

HBP-by Swift (Moses). T-2:40. A- 17,248.

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, Roe; 2b, Phillips; 3b, Clark.

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TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson cf	5	1	2	1	Pettis cf	4	0	0	0
Fernandz ss	4	1	1	0	Petralli ph	1	0	0	0
Gruber rf	4	0	1	0	Franco 2b	3	0	2	0
Bell lf	4	0	1	2	Palmeiro 1b	5	0	1	0
McGriff 1b	5	2	2	0	Sierra rf	5	1	2	0
Olerud dh	4	0	2	1	Incaviglia lf	5	1	1	0
Myers c	3	0	0	0	JoRussell c	4	0	1	0
Mulliniks 3b	3	1	2	0	Stanley dh	3	1	2	1
Whiten rf	0	0	0	0	Buechele 3b	3	1	1	2
Sojo 2b	4	1	1	0	Baines ph	1	0	0	1
					Huson 3b	0	0	0	0
					Kunkel ss	3	0	2	0
					Daughrty ph	1	0	0	0
					Green ss	0	0	0	0
Totals	36	6	12	4	Totals	38	4	12	4

Toronto 120 001 110- 6
Texas 000 300 010- 4

E-Franco. DP-Toronto 1, Texas 2. LOB-Toronto 8, Texas 10. 2B-Stanley 2, Kunkel, Olerud. 3B-Fernandez. HR- Buechele (6). SB-Gruber (8), Mulliniks (2), Wilson (19), Fernandez (13). S- Myers. SF-Bell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Cerutti (W 8-7)	6 2-3	8	3	3	2	2
Candelaria	2-3	2	1	1	1	1
Henke (S 23)	1 2-3	2	0	0	0	2
Texas						
Ryan (L 11-5)	9	12	6	5	2	5

HBP-by Ryan (Gruber). WP-Ryan 2. T-3:02. A-41,635.

Umpires-Home, Garcia; 1b, Palermo; 2b, Scott; 3b, Reilly.

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#90218f0839 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 6) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Lrn 2b	3	0	0	0	Reynolds 2b	3	1	1	0
Moss rf	3	0	0	0	Cotto rf	4	1	1	0
Pcktt cf	3	0	0	0	Griffey cf	3	2	1	1
Gatt 3b	4	0	1	0	Leonard lf	4	0	1	1
Hrbk	3	0	1	0	Davis dh	3	0	2	1
Hrpr	4	0	0	0	Brumley dh	0	0	0	0
Bsh dh	1	0	0	0	Martinez 3b	3	0	0	0
Ortz dh	1	0	0	0	O'Brien 1b	4	0	0	1
Nwmn	4	0	0	0	Sinatro c	4	0	1	0
Gagn ss	3	0	0	0	Vizquel ss	3	0	2	0
					Mack ph	1	0	1	0
Totls	30	0	3	0	Totals	31	4	9	4

Minnesota 000 000 000- 0
Seattle 300 001 00x- 4

E-Martinez, Gagne. DP-Minnesota 1, Seattle 1. LOB-Minnesota 10, Seattle 7.
2B-Reynolds, Gaetti, Vizquel, Davis, Mack. SB-Sinatro (1). SF-Davis.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Anderson (L 4-15)	6	7	4	3	2	4
Drummond	2	2	0	0	1	2
Seattle						
Swift	3 2-3	2	0	0	0	1
Harris (W 1-1)	1 1-3	0	0	0	4	1
Comstock (S 1)	4	1	0	0	2	2

Harris pitched to 2 batters in the 6th.

HBP-by Swift (Moses). T-2:40. A- 17,248.

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, Roe; 2b, Phillips; 3b, Clark.

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TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson cf	5	1	2	1	Pettis cf	4	0	0	0
Fernandz ss	4	1	1	0	Petralli ph	1	0	0	0

Gruber rf	4	0	1	0	Franco 2b	3	0	2	0
Bell lf	4	0	1	2	Palmeiro 1b	5	0	1	0
McGriff 1b	5	2	2	0	Sierra rf	5	1	2	0
Olerud dh	4	0	2	1	Incaviglia lf	5	1	1	0
Myers c	3	0	0	0	JoRussell c	4	0	1	0
Mulliniks 3b	3	1	2	0	Stanley dh	3	1	2	1
Whiten rf	0	0	0	0	Buechele 3b	3	1	1	2
Sojo 2b	4	1	1	0	Baines ph	1	0	0	1
					Huson 3b	0	0	0	0
					Kunkel ss	3	0	2	0
					Daughrty ph	1	0	0	0
					Green ss	0	0	0	0
Totals	36	6	12	4	Totals	38	4	12	4

Toronto 120 001 110- 6
Texas 000 300 010- 4

E-Franco. DP-Toronto 1, Texas 2. LOB-Toronto 8, Texas 10. 2B-Stanley 2, Kunkel, Olerud. 3B-Fernandez. HR- Buechele (6). SB-Gruber (8), Mulliniks (2), Wilson (19), Fernandez (13). S- Myers. SF-Bell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Cerutti (W 8-7)	6 2-3	8	3	3	2	2
Candelaria	2-3	2	1	1	1	1
Henke (S 23)	1 2-3	2	0	0	0	2
Texas						
Ryan (L 11-5)	9	12	6	5	2	5

HBP-by Ryan (Gruber). WP-Ryan 2. T-3:02. A-41,635.

Umpires-Home, Garcia; 1b, Palermo; 2b, Scott; 3b, Reilly.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Monday 402.91 off 22.30.

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#90218h0094 08/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 6) XINHUA - INDIAN RAILWAY MINISTER GEORGE FERNANDES HAS RULED OUT PRIVATIZATION OF THE RAILWAYS IN A RECENT INTERVIEW WHICH WAS PUBLISHED TODAY.

THE MINISTER NOTED THAT "THE RAILWAYS ARE THE GOVERNMENT'S INFRASTRUCTURAL WHEELS. IN INDIA, THE RAILWAYS CAN NEVER GO FOR PRIVATIZATION."

WHEN ASKED WHETHER THE PROCESS OF PRIVATIZATION HAD BEEN STARTED IN THE RAILWAYS WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE 843-KM KONKAN RAILWAY LINE ON THE WEST COAST, HE SAID THAT "I CANNOT VISUALIZE PRIVATIZATION OF THE INDIAN RAILWAYS, EVEN BRITAIN, FRANCE AND GERMANY HAVE NOT GONE FOR PRIVATIZATION OF THEIR RAILWAYS."

"AND IN THE UNITED STATES ALSO, THE GOVERNMENT TAKES OVER EVERY SICK RAILWAY LINE," THE MINISTER SAID.

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#90218h0095 08/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NIGERIA CALLS FOR EXPEDITED MAIL SERVICE IN AFRICA

LAGOS (AUG. 6) XINHUA - NIGERIAN MINISTER OF COMMUNI- CATIONS OLAWALE IGE HAS CALLED ON POSTAL ADMINISTRATORS IN AFRICAN COUNTRIES TO ESTABLISH THE EXPEDITED MAIL SERVICE (EMS) SYSTEM.

SPEAKING AT A FOUR-DAY INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR WHOSE THEME WAS "DEVELOPMENT ON EXPEDITED MAIL SERVICE IN AFRICA", MR. IGE ARGUED THAT THE BENEFITS OF THE SERVICE ARE TREMENDOUS, JUDGING BY THE EXPERIENCE OF NIGERIA.

WHEN THE EMS WAS FIRST ESTABLISHED IN NIGERIA IN 1986, A TOTAL OF 4,424 ITEMS WERE DISPATCHED TO TWO FOREIGN COUNTRIES, HE SAID.

BUT THE EMS HAS BEEN DEVELOPING RAPIDLY SINCE ITS VERY START WITH A TOTAL OF 295,775 DISPATCHES AND RECEIPTS HANDLED BY NIGERIA TO 40 COUNTRIES LAST YEAR, HE NOTED.

THE MINISTER SAID THE EMS WOULD ALSO OFFER AFRICAN COUNTRIES THE OPPORTUNITY OF PROVIDING A NEW SERVICE TO THEIR PLAN OF ACTION FOR POSTAL SERVICE DEVELOPMENT.

HE URGED DELEGATES FROM ABOUT 20 COUNTRIES TO IMPLEMENT ALL AGREEMENTS REACHED AT THE SEMINAR WHICH ENDED HERE OVER THE WEEKEND AND CALLED FOR BETTER POSTAL SERVICES IN AFRICA TO MEET THE CHALLENGES OF THE NEW POSTAL ERA.

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#90218h0126 08/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 6) XINHUA - A CAR BOMB WAS FOUND THIS MORNING AT THE FORMER LONDON HOME OF FORMER BRITISH CABINET SECRETARY LORD ARMSTRONG, BRITISH TELEVISION REPORTED.

POLICE SAID THAT A HIGH EXPLOSIVE DEVICE FELL FROM UNDERNEATH A CAR BELONGING TO AN AMERICAN WOMAN NOW LIVING AT A NORTHWEST LONDON HOUSE PREVIOUSLY OCCUPIED BY LORD ARMSTRONG, WHO RETIRED FROM THE COMBINED POSTS OF CABINET SECRETARY AND HEAD OF THE CIVIL SERVICE IN DECEMBER 1987.

COMMANDER GEORGE CHURCHILL-COLEMAN, HEAD OF THE ANTI-TERRORIST BRANCH, SAID THAT THE DEVICE HAD BEEN DEFUSED AND WAS UNDERGOING FORENSIC TESTS.

HE SAID THAT THE BOMB APPEARED TO BE PART OF A CURRENT BOMBING CAMPAIGN BY THE IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY (IRA), WHO ARE FIGHTING TO END BRITISH RULE IN NORTHERN IRELAND.

TODAY"S INCIDENT OCCURED ONE WEEK AFTER IAN GOW, A RULING CONSERVATIVE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT AND A CLOSE CONFIDENT OF PRIME MINISTER MARGARET THATCHER, WAS KILLED BY AN IRA CAR BOMB AT HIS HOME IN HANKHAM, ABOUT 65 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF LONDON.

THE IRA HAS RECENTLY STEPPED UP ITS BOMBING CAMPAIGN ON BRITISH MILITARY TARGETS AND POLITICIANS.

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#90218h0143 08/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
MOGADISHU (AUG. 6) XINHUA - SOMALI PRESIDENT MOHAMED SIAD BARRE LAST NIGHT RECEIVED MR. SAMIR MAOHAMED ABDULWAHAB, SPECIAL ENVOY OF IRAQI PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN.

THE OFFICIAL SOMALI NATIONAL NEWS AGENCY (SONNA) SAID HERE TODAY THAT THE IRAQI SPECIAL ENVOY HANDED TO THE SOMALI PRESIDENT A WRITTEN MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT SADDAM AND BOTH SIDES DISCUSSED THE RECENT DEVELOPMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST REGION.

THE BRIEF REPORT NEITHER GAVE ANY DETAIL ON THE TALKS NOR REVEALED THE CONTENT OF THE MESSAGE.

THE IRAQI SPECIAL ENVOY CAME HERE YESTERDAY APPARENTLY TO SEEK SOMALIA'S POLITICAL SUPPORT FOR IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT.

SOMALIA, A MEMBER OF THE ARAB LEAGUE AND A GOOD FRIEND OF IRAQ, HAS MADE NO COMMENT UP TO NOW ON THE INVASION SINCE THE IRAQI TROOPS INTRUDED INTO NEIGHBORING KUWAIT AND INSTALLED A PRO- IRAQ REGIME IN THE OIL-RICH SMALL COUNTRY LAST WEEK.

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#90218h0144 08/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
GABORONE (AUG. 6) XINHUA - MOZAMBICAN FOREIGN MINISTER DR. PASCOAL MOCUMBI ARRIVED HERE TODAY FOR A THREE-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT.

MR. MOCUMBI, ACCOMPANIED BY HIS WIFE AND SOME SENIOR MOZAMBI- CAN OFFICIALS, IS EXPECTED TO HAVE DISCUSSIONS WITH BOTSWANAN OFFICIALS ON BILATERAL AND REGIONAL ISSUES.

MR. MOCUNBI IS ALSO EXPECTED TO BRIEF THE BOTSWANAN GOVERNMENT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE PEACE TALKS BETWEEN MAPUTO AND THE REBEL NATIONAL RESISTANCE (MNR). THE TWO WARRING SIDES WILL START A NEW ROUND OF PEACE TALKS IN ROME ON WEDNESDAY.

-30- 689
#90218h0151 08/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIRUT (AUG. 6) XINHUA - FIGHTING BETWEEN LEBANON'S SYRIAN-BACKED AMAL MOVEMENT AND THE PRO-IRANIAN HEZBOLLAH RENEWED EARLY TODAY IN SOUTH LEBANON, BREAKING A CEASEFIRE ARRANGED A WEEK AGO FOR THE EVACUATION OF THE DEAD AND THE WOUNDED.

SPORADIC CLASHES TOOK PLACE BETWEEN POSITIONS OF THE TWO RIVAL SHIITE MOSLEM MILITIAS IN THE IQLIM AL-TUFFAH DISTRICT, SOUTHEAST OF THE SOUTHERN PORT OF SIDON, IN WHICH MACHINEGUNS AND ROCKETS WERE USED, REPORTS FROM SOUTH LEBANON SAID.

THE "SAWT AL-SHAAB" RADIO STATION OF THE LEBANESE COMMUNIST PARTY QUOTED HEZBOLLAH SOURCES AS SAYING THAT POSITIONS OF THE PRO-IRANIAN MILITIA HAD COME UNDER INTERMITTENT SHELLING BY AMAL SINCE 6:00 A.M. LOCAL TIME TODAY.

THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS AND THE LEBANESE RED CROSS ORGANIZATION HAVE SO FAR EVACUATED AS MANY AS 147 DECOMPOSED CORPSES FROM THE BATTLEFRONTS IN THE REGION DURING THE CEASEFIRE.

AT LEAST 189 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN KILLED AND 570 WOUNDED SINCE THE CURRENT ROUND OF FIGHTING BETWEEN THE TWO FACTIONS BROKE OUT ON JULY 16.

THE TWO SIDES HAVE BEEN FIGHTING ON AND OFF FOR THREE YEARS FOR CONTROL OF LEBANON'S 1.2 MILLION SHIITES.

THE LEBANESE GOVERNMENT HAS ANNOUNCED RECENTLY IT WOULD SEND A GOVERNMENT FORCE TO THE IQLIM AL-TUFFAH DISTRICT TO MAINTAIN SECURITY THERE ON CONDITION THAT A CEASEFIRE BETWEEN THE TWO WARRING PARTIES BE FOLLOWED BY THE WITHDRAWAL OF THEIR FIGHTERS.

OBSERVERS HERE BELIEVE THAT THE CONFRONTATION WOULD NOT COME TO AN END UNLESS SYRIA AND IRAN, WHICH HAVE CONSIDERABLE INFLUENCE ON THE TWO PARTIES, WERE DETERMINED TO QUENCH IT.

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#90218k0062 08/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 6) KYODO - THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF JAPAN ANNOUNCED IT SIGNED AN AGREEMENT IN TOKYO ON MONDAY WITH THE ELECTRICITY GENERATING AUTHORITY OF THAILAND FOR EXTENSION OF A 13,604 MILLION YEN LOAN.

SEVEN MAJOR JAPANESE COMMERCIAL BANKS, INCLUDING MITSUBISHI BANK, ALSO SIGNED THE ACCORD.

THE GOVERNMENTAL BANK SAID THE LOAN WILL BE USED TO HELP FINANCE THE PURCHASE OF AN ADDITIONAL STEAM TURBINE UNIT FROM JAPAN FOR INSTALLATION AT THE BANG PAKONG THERMAL POWER STATION, ABOUT 60 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF BANGKOK.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) KYODO - THE UNITED STATES REACTED CAUTIOUSLY MONDAY TO REPORTS THAT PAKISTANI PRIME MINISTER BENAZIR BHUTTO HAS BEEN FIRED BY PRESIDENT GHULAM ISHAQ KHAN.

''WE DON'T HAVE ANY COMMENT,'' A STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL SAID WHEN ASKED ABOUT THE POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT IN PAKISTAN.

HE HINTED, HOWEVER, THAT THE U.S. MAY HAVE AN OFFICIAL COMMENT ON THE ISSUE LATER IN THE DAY.

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BANGKOK (AUG. 6) KYODO - THE THAI GOVERNMENT ON MONDAY APPROVED A BASIC OUTLINE OF ITS SEVENTH NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN WHICH EMPHASIZES CONITUED ECONOMIC GROWTH, FAIRER INCOME DISTRIBUTION AND IMPROVED QUALITY OF LIFE AND ENVIRONMENT, A HIGH RANKING GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL SAID.

THAILAND'S MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR 1992-96 AIMS AT KEEPING ANNUAL ECONOMIC GROWTH AT 9 PERCENT AND MORE THAN DOUBLING THE NATIONAL PER CAPITA INCOME FROM THE CURRENT 1,200 DOLLARS TO 2,900 DOLLARS BY 1996, ACCORDING TO PISIT PAKKASEM, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD.

THE GOVERNMENT HOPES TO HOLD THE NATION'S INFLATION RATE DOWN TO NO MORE

THAN 5.5 PERCENT ANNUALLY, INSTEAD OF THE CURRENT 6.6-7 PERCENT, PISIT SAID.

PISIT SAID THE GOVERNMENT WILL HAVE TO LIBERALIZE MANY MORE IMPORTS GOODS TO MATCH THE SUPPLY TO THE HIGH GROWING DEMAND STEMMING FROM CURRENT STRONG ECONOMIC GROWTH.

THE THAI ECONOMY HAS GROWN AT DOUBLE DIGIT RATE SINCE 1988 AND WILL EXPAND AN ESTIMATED 10.5-11 PERCENT THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO THE BANK OF THAILAND.

THE NEW PLAN IS IN SHARP CONTRAST TO THE SIXTH PLAN (1986-91) WHICH EMPHASIZES ECONOMIC GROWTH, FOLLOWED BY STABILITY AND BROADER INCOME DISTRIBUTION, PISIT POINTED OUT.

THE SEVENTH PLAN ALSO CONTAINS FOR THE FIRST TIME POLICY GUIDELINES ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, HE ADDED.

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TOKYO (AUG. 6) KYODO - JAPANESE MOTORISTS WILL BE ABLE TO DRIVE AT SPEEDS OF UP TO 140 KILOMETERS PER HOUR BY THE NEXT CENTURY ON TWO NEW EXPRESSWAYS IN CENTRAL AND WESTERN JAPAN, THE CONSTRUCTION MINISTRY SAID MONDAY.

IN ADDITION TO THE NEW SPEED LIMIT IN THE SPARSELY POPULATED MOUNTAINOUS PARTS OF THE NEW NO. 2 TOMEI EXPRESSWAY LINKING TOKYO WITH NAGOYA AND THE SECOND MEISHIN (NAGOYA-KOBE) EXPRESSWAY, THE LIMIT WILL ALSO BE INCREASED FROM 80 TO 100 KPH IN URBAN AREAS.

THE MINISTRY INSTRUCTED ITS REGIONAL BUREAUS, AUTONOMOUS BODIES AND THE ROAD CONSTRUCTION PUBLIC CORPORATION TO CONSOLIDATE STRUCTURAL STANDARDS IN LAYING THE NEW SECTION OF THE NATION'S HIGH-SPEED ROAD TRANSPORT NETWORK.

CONSTRUCTION WORK WILL COMMENCE IN 1992 FOR COMPLETION IN THE EARLY 21ST CENTURY, THE MINISTRY SAID.

THE WIDTHS OF THE LANES AND SHOULDERS OF THE NEW EXPRESSWAYS WILL BE WIDENED TO MATCH THOSE OF AUTOBAHNS IN WEST GERMANY, THE MINISTRY SAID.

THE 140-KPH SPEED LIMIT IS BEING CONTEMPLATED FOR THE SECTION BETWEEN ISEHARA, KANAGAWA PREFECTURE AND TOYODA, AICHI PREFECTURE, OF THE NO. 2 TOMEI EXPRESSWAY AND THE SECTION BETWEEN YOKKAICHI IN MIE PREFECTURE AND JOYO IN KYOTO PREFECTURE OF THE NO. 2 MEISHIN EXPRESSWAY, IT SAID.

THE CONSTRUCTION MINISTRY WILL SEEK SUPPORT FROM THE NATIONAL POLICE AGENCY FOR ITS 140-KPH SPEED LIMIT PLAN, MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

DRIVERS COMPLAIN THAT JAPANESE EXPRESSWAYS ARE NOT WORTHY OF THE NAME SINCE MAXIMUM SPEEDS ARE RESTRICTED TO 100 KPH IN MOUNTAINOUS SECTIONS AND TO 80 KPH FOR URBAN PARTS IN THE ROAD TRAFFIC LAW ON GROUNDS MAINLY OF SAFETY DESPITE DESIGNS ALLOWING FOR SPEEDS UP TO 120 KPH.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 6) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stock markets off 3%-5% with the Nikkei closeing down 916.23, or better than 3%. That's equivalent to an 87-point decline in the Dow. ... The FT 100 is down more than 70 points, and the DAX index is off 78.52.

FORD says it will sell its FORD AEROSPACE subsidiary to LORAL for $715 million. ... SUN MICROSYSTEMS says it has agreed to sell about 4.6 million shares to AT&T for $191.8 million. ... The SENATE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE approves the nomination of WENDY GRAMM for a second term as head of the COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION. ... The BANK OF NEW ENGLAND cut costs by $22 million in the second- quarter, but still managed to lose $33 million because of the slumping regional economy.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The LABOR DEPARTMENT issues second-quarter productivity and labor cost figures later today. Other major economic reports due out this week: June consumer credit from the FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD and home sales and prices from the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RELATORS tomorrow. Wednesday. ... July sales from leading retailers on Thursday. ... and producer prices from the LABOR DEPARTMENT on Friday.

FROM THE BULLS:

While acknowledging that a recession is on its way, JACK McCARTHY, manager of the $3.6 billion AFFILIATED FUND, thinks equities are headed higher. He thinks the current downturn is merely a correction and says bears are being too short-sighted. With weak economic growth, the Fed will ease rates, "and the stock market will go up," says McCarthy, who thinks falling employment levels will prevent excessive inflation. "We are not in a bear market," concludes McCarthy. (WSJ, 8/6)

"Most of the damage has been short term. As far as the long term trendline goes, that's still intact on the upside," says JANNEY MONTGOMERY

SCOTT's EUGENE PERONI JR. "We're still encouraged long- term, but cautious over the next few weeks to a month." Peroni says he was encouraged by the volume Thursday and Friday. "I think we'll have one more good whack on the downside, possibly today. But that should clear the way for some stability and a rebound." (FNN "World Business Update", 8/6)

FROM THE BEARS:

"Wall Street is likely to continue going lower this morning, due to the overseas losses, the uncertainties in the Middle East and the growing likelihood that the economy is heading into recession," says ROBERT WALBERG of MMS INTERNATIONAL. "These factors should combine to pressure stocks a little bit lower again today." He predicts the market will test the 2740 area, but he says the 2680 level may be more important. "If 2680 can hold, I think that would be an attractive area to step back in and buy stocks," advises Walberg. But if 2680 does not hold, he says the Dow could slip to 2400. (FNN "World Business Update", 8/6)

PAUL TUDOR JONES, a world futures trader, is even more bearish on U.S. stocks in the wake of upheaval in the Mideast and new signs of a slowing economy. He had seen a Dow support level at 2830, but says that was taken out last week. He now expects the Dow to drop as low as 2520 in the next six to eight weeks and says the bear market could continue six months or so. "That is typically how long into a recession one has to go before the market turns up," he says. "And I think that the latest jobs report is just another indicator that we've just entered a recession." ("Barron's", 8/6)

"You could be looking at a drop of 15% to 20% [cutting the Dow to 2250] over the next year," says GERALD PERRITT, editor of "Blue Chip Values." ("USA Today", 8/6)

"The mood is very bearish, very troubled. People are looking for direction and can't really find it," says ANDREW SMITH of LONDON & BISHOPGATE INTERNATIONAL. Smith thinks inflation fears are holding the market back. He says, "There's always the fear in everybody's mind of a repeat of the 1973 oil shock," when skyrocketing oil prices brought on inflation and a subsequent recession. (WSJ, 8/6)

STOCK MARKET:

The EXMI is down over 8 points in London this morning. "I think the circuit breakers will be triggered this morning and that will help us from accelerating," says SHEARSON's MICHAEL BENSON from London where oils are the only U.S. shares escaping the selling pressure. "We're going to start out down 50 ... I wouldn't be surprised to see Wall Street finish a hundred points lower and, in a sense, that would only put them in line

with world markets." (FNN "World Business Update", 8/6)

"It may be a little difficult to sell this morning ... the best thing to do may be to sit on the sidelines for a little while," advises JEFF LANDLE portfolio manager for STOVALL/21ST ADVISORS. "It's a little bit late to be dumping a portfolio on the market." Landle says we could see a 100-150 point drop today and suggests investors attempt to buy puts rather than sell stocks today. (CNBC "World Business", 8/6)

If the U.S. market doesn't sell off today, it will over the next several sessions, says A. C. MOORE, director of research at ARGUS, after surveying Monday morning's damage in world stock markets. "We've had a rosy world view. Now we've gone from the glass being half full to half empty." Friday's recovery came on hopes that Iraq would soon be withdrawing; now it's clear that's not happening, says Moore. (CNN "Business Morning", 8/6)

"When they start shooting real bullets at us I think even a self-respecting bull has to pull in his horns a little bit and that's what we did a little bit this week," says RALPH ACAMPORA. "Maybe on a near-term basis, predicated on the news in the Mideast, you might have a little bit of a bounce. I think it would be a near term bounce, however." ("Wall Street Week", 8/3)

"I think the market was lucky because the way it was falling the Dow could have been down 200 to 300 points," says JAY HOHMANN of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE. "There was a lot of bad news. Besides the Mideast, the unemployment data also raised concern about a recession." He says it is hard to tell whether Friday's selloff will continue. "Everything hinges on politics. I doubt Iraq will take a gamble and go into Saudi Arabia. But it would take more nerve than I have to take a long position at this time." ("Investor's Daily", 8/6)

"The New York Times" reports this morning that there are signs "most individual investors" are not selling off their stocks. "Our people were net buyers [Friday]," says THOMAS QUICK, president of QUICK & REILLY. Moreover, he says Friday was the discount broker's heaviest volume day this year. DAVID KOMANSKY of MERRILL LYNCH says his firm's retail customers were net sellers of shares Friday, "but not to a startling extent." He says Merrill Lynch clients "have not exhibited a great enthusiasm to be on the sell side yet." At CHARLES SCHWAB, spokesman HUGO QUACKENBUSH says, "It's a relatively small group that is going through their portfolios and selling everything. ... There are lot of others who are looking for opportunities to buy stocks that are being beat up." Quackenbush says buyers and sellers were almost evenly matched Friday, with most big orders on the sell side and smaller to medium-sized orders on the buy side. (NYT, 8/6)

"Now is the time to keep cash and keep cool," says ALAN ACKERMAN of

GRUNTAL & CO. "The appetite for stocks is poor. There are a lot of bad scenarios and not a lot of strong stomachs." ABBY COHEN of BARCLAYS de ZOETE says: "Up until two weeks ago, there was a 'Don't worry, be happy' attitude. But the market's tone changed two weeks ago." With a weak economy and the threat of higher inflation, she predicts "a gradual erosion" of stock prices over the coming months. ("USA Today" and WSJ, 8/6)

"I think the market is going to have to go through a period of consolidation and digestion after this period of rather substantial indigestion in the last week," says ELIZABETH DATER. ("Wall Street Week", 8/3)

WILLIAM LeFEVRE of ADVEST says stocks bounced up Friday on reports that SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE said Iraq assured Moscow it would withdraw from Kuwait. "Did you ever think that a card-carrying Communist would save the stock market's bacon?" asks LeFevre. JAY GERKEN of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROS. also says the market's late comeback on Friday was due to Shevardnadze's statement, which he says "was timed almost exactly to when the market turned." ("USA Today", 8/6 and CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/3)

"On good news [in the Mideast] I think the market is going to have some resistance now around 2900," says GAIL DUDACK. "I've been negative on the market for a quite a while with a target of 2680, which I still think is most likely the event. But my worst case has been around 2500. I think 2500 on the Dow is going to discount a pretty hefty recession, which I don't foresee at the current time." ("Wall Street Week", 8/3)

"The combination of a slowdown in the economy and a rise in inflation and interest rates is a one-two punch that is guaranteed to produce a [stock market] knockout," says HUGH JOHNSON, chief investment officer at FIRST ALBANY CO. (Reuters, 8/3)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"As long as the tension is in the air," the dollar should remain fairly steady, says THOMAS BENFER of the BANK OF MONTREAL. Benfer says "the whole gamut" of investors flock to the dollar whenever there are problems in the Middle East, and therefore believes that talk of new all-time lows

for the dollar is unfounded. But LISA FINSTROM of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROS. takes a somewhat contrary view. "All in all, conditions argue for the fact that the dollar is in trouble," says Finstrom. (WSJ, 8/6)

"The U.S. dollar and U.S. Treasuries have traditionally been a safe haven for investors," says JAY GERKEN of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROS. He thinks the problems in the Middle East will help boost these two investments. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/3)

"There are questions as to how well the refunding is going to go later on this week and I think we're going to see continued selling there, as well " says ROBERT WALBERG of MMS INTERNATIONAL." He also says "the overall outlook for the dollar right now is bearish" because of rumors that the Fed will ease once again. (FNN "World Business Update", 8/6)

"The Fed's going to ease [this] week," says JOSEPH LIRO, vice president at S.G. WARBURG. "Either they [the Fed] are willing to send us into a recession or they're going to have to act. The risk of recession is more important in a trade-off between inflation." ("Investor's Daily", 8/6)

"The employment numbers confirmed that the economy is weak," says SAMUEL D. KAHAN of FUJI SECURITIES, who thinks that, despite fears of renewed inflation, the Fed will ease in response. "Central bankers always say that their job is to fight inflation, no matter what. But the truth of the matter is, this central bank will only fight inflation when it is sure that economic activity is growing." The Fed does not have that assurance, according to Kahan, and therefore "the fight against inflation will be postponed -- not aborted -- but postponed." (WSJ, 8/6)

"The Fed is in a nasty position," says GILBERT BENZ of SWISS BANK CORP. "Inflation has not abated, but the economy is clearly not resilient. But it [the Fed] will do what it has to do to keep the economy moving along, even if it has to risk higher inflation." ("Investor's Daily", 8/6) 1

"The Mideast situation that erupted in midweek turned the bond market completely around," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN JR., of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "After bond investors had been lured into thinking that the prospect of a recession would diminish, their hopes were dashed by the new specter of oil-fueled inflation." (NYT, 8/6)

"So strong were inflation concerns that even a steep plunge by equity prices [Friday] could not stop bond prices from falling," says JOHN LONSKI senior economist at MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE. ("Investor's Daily", 8/6)

NEIL CAVUTO of "CNBC" quotes bond traders as saying FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN was "between Iraq and a hard place," with growing inflation, but a stagnant economy. (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 8/3)

THE ECONOMY:

"What we're expecting in terms of the macro economy is that this [spurt in oil prices] is going to come close to pushing us into recession," says PRISCILLA TRUMBULL of WEFA GROUP. "What that means is a very weak second half of 1990, which means the first half of 1991 will be very sluggish for manufacturing." ("Investor's Daily", 8/6)

"I suspect that the U.S. is already in a recession, though people don't realize it yet," says AL FRIEDBERG of FRIEDBERG MERCANTILE GROUP of Toronto. "The recent collapse in corporate profits certainly indicates it. And if you take out growth in government spending and the rise in inventories from the recent second-quarter gross national product figures, there was no economic growth at all." ("Barron's", 8/6)

"Payroll employment is weak, the unemployment rate rose 0.3 of a percentage point, manufacturing is flat -- all of these suggest that the economy is dead in the water," says ROBERT CHANDROSS of LLOYD'S BANK PLC. "The bottom line is the Fed would ease right away if it were not for the oil market." ("Investor's Daily", 8/6)

"I still think that we will get a positive growth rate in the second half, but the margin of probability is narrowing," says FRANCIS SCHOTT, chief economist at the EQUITABLE. "We have to think much more seriously that the recession might be at hand. I am convinced of this by the unemployment rate finally going up. I believe that this is the final tip-off for the Fed to ease. They may want to wait another month to see if it shoots up another 0.2 or 0.3 [percentage point], but the balance of policy has shifted to ease." ("Investor's Daily", 8/6)

"The July employment report shows that the weak U.S. economy is not going to hang on much longer," says RICHARD RAHN of the U.S. CHAMBER of COMMERCE. "It is headed directly into a recession." (Reuters, 8/3)

"USA Today" writer MARK MEMMOTT declares in the paper's money section cover story this morning that "The U.S. economy has slipped into a recession. All that's left to do now is hang on and wait for things to pick up again -- most likely in six to nine months." But he says it "isn't a classic recession that's statistically easy to prove" and acknowledges many economists might not concur in his emphatic declaration. ("USA Today", 8/6)

"People think the oil market is a matter of physical fundamentals, but the most fundamental is psychology," says JOSEPH STANISLAW of CAMBRIDGE ENERGY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. People expect the price to rise, so the price rises, he says. (NYT, 8/6)

IN WASHINGTON:

The JUSTICE DEPARTMENT says it will file an antitrust suit to block an agreement giving PROCTER & GAMBLE rights to market and distribute Maalox. The department says the agreement with RHONE POULENC RORER would give Procter & Gamble, maker of Pepto-Bismol, too great a share

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#90218p2324 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA MONICA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - "Continued excellent earnings," was the way in which James A. McIntyre, chairman and chief executive officer, of Fremont General Corp. (NASDAQ: FRMT), characterized the company's 1990 second quarter results in an announcement today.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the company's net income was $7,084,000 or 85 cents a share, against a loss of $6,788,000 or 84 cents a share for the same period last year. Last year's loss was directly attibutable to a writeoff of $13,700,000 or $1.69 a share in the company's commercial finance subsidiary. In the first six months of 1990, however, the commercial finance subsidiary returned to profitability, posting higher than projected earnings of $990,000 or 12 cents per share.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, earnings were $13,671,000 or $1.66 a share versus a loss of $830,000 or 10 cents a share a year ago. The primary contributors to the company's favorable earnings for the first six months of 1990 were the continued excellent performance of its $1 billion investment grade bond portfolio, and the better than projected underwriting results for the company's workers' compensation insurance line of business.

McIntyre commented finally, that he believes a solid foundation has been laid for consistent earnings through the remainder of the year.

Fremont General Corp. is an insurance and financial services holding company.

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#90218p2326 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (AUG.6) PR NEWSWIRE - An innovative and inexpensive gravity-driven Astrocompass(tm) permitting amateur astronomers to quickly and easily locate constellations in the night sky was introduced today by noted inventor Ben Mayer. Mayer is the developer of the popular Starframes and Stellaphanes handheld sky viewing systems used by astronomers around the world.

The Astrocompass viewfinder locates the 13 zodiacal starfields and 12 "bright and easy" constellations in the northern hemisphere by varying the stargazer's viewing angle. The viewing angle (declination) is set by a free-swinging locator held parallel to the horizon by the force of gravity. This is the same principle that keeps a gimballed ship's lantern vertical, regardless of the roll or pitch of the ship.

Although amateur astronomers have no trouble locating geographical direction with the help of magnetic compasses, no inexpensive device has been available, prior to the introduction of the Astrocompass, to determine the height above the horizon, relative to time.

The Astrocompass can be used at any latitude. When combined with Starframes and Stellaphanes it creates easy-to-use windows to the sky.

Mayer came to international astronomical attention in 1975 with his now-famous photographic discovery of the explosion of the Cygnus Nova, accomplished by taking 13 sequential images of the active explosion with a specially modified 35 mm camera.

Mayer is presently negotiating licensing agreements for the Astrocompass, for which he was recently granted U.S. patent No. 4,938,697.

Inventor Mayer is an avid amateur astronomer and the author of four books: Starwatch 1984, Halley's Comet Finder 1985, and Astrowatch 1988, all for Perigee/Putnam, New York; and (with Dr. William Liller) the Cambridge Astronomy Guide 1985, for Cambridge University Press. Mayer is also the founder of Envel Corp., Los Angeles, designers of electronically controlled environments.

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#90218p2347 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation (NYSE: COG) has declared a dividend of 4 cents per share of the company's common stock for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The dividend will be paid on Aug. 30, 1990 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Aug. 15, 1990.

Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation is a producer of natural gas in the Appalachian and Anadarko Basins. The company is headquartered in Houston, with regional offices in Pittsburgh, Charleston, West Virginia, and Oklahoma City.

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#90218p2348 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

OGDEN, UTAH (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Thiokol Corp. (NYSE: TKC) today reported a 16 percent increase in net income for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. Net income for fiscal 1990 was $41.4 million or $2.15 per share compared to the prior year's income of $35.6 million or $1.86 per share on the same basis. Reorganization costs and other unusual charges related to the July 1, 1989 spinoff from Morton Thiokol Inc. adversely impacted net income for 1989 by $17.9 million or 94 cents per share, producing reported net income of $17.7 million or 92 cents per share.

This year's sales of $1,181.4 million increased 1 percent over 1989. Fourth quarter income of $12.2 million or 64 cents per share increased 14 percent from last year's income of $10.7 million or 55 cents per share. Sales for the fourth quarter were $339.1 million, up 14 percent from last year.

Thiokol President and Chief Executive Officer U. Edwin Garrison said, "We are very pleased with Thiokol's performance during its first year as a separate company. We achieved all of the corporate goals established at the beginning of the year."

"Our board of directors has been expanded and strengthened. An experienced corporate office staff is now in place, complementing our effective operating management team."

"Income at each of our operating divisions was ahead of our plan for the year," Garrison said. "In addition, we achieved a strong cash flow from operations. Cash and short term investments increased $98 million during the year, significantly strengthening Thiokol's financial position."

"Sales from Space-related programs accounted for 48 percent of Thiokol's sales in 1990. This strong Space business, combined with a diverse mix of defense programs should provide Thiokol with a sound future sales base. We expect profit margins to continue to improve this coming year, resulting in positive earnings growth for fiscal year 1991," Garrison said.

Thiokol is a Utah-based corporation with approximately 11,500 employees at 11 major facilities nationwide. The company is a leader in a broad range of research, high technology, manufacturing and support services. Thiokol is active in areas of solid propulsion systems, ordnance and composite products for the space and defense industries.

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#90218p2349 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALABASAS, CA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Tekelec (NASDAQ: TKLC) announced that it had finalized a multi-year volume purchase agreement with BellSouth Services Inc. based in Birmingham, Ala. The agreement covers Tekelec's SS7 test equipment for BellSouth's Signaling Transfer Point (STP) sites, Service Switching Point (SSP) sites, and Cutover upgrades of its existing analog offices.

"Digital signaling technology requires advanced communications testing products. Tekelec's signaling surveillance systems are the only products available today with the level of sophistication required for independent monitoring and complete network node simulation. These functions are now required to reduce network downtime to a minimum," stated Peter N. Vicars, Tekelec president and chief executive officer.

BellSouth will be using Tekelec's MGTS (Message Generator Traffic Simulator) MATE (Maintenance Access and Test Equipment) and cutover device systems for SS7 (Signaling System No. 7) communications testing. The cutover device discriminates among various SS7 messages received from the network and directs them to the proper switch (old or new). BellSouth will use Tekelec's cutover devices for cutovers of the SS7 trunks, maintenance and interchange interconnection testing.

Cutovers occur when existing end offices upgrade to new switches and enhanced services to meet customer demands. Prior to Tekelec's cutover device, end office upgrades involved extensive routing table modifications throughout the network and labor intensive "flash cuts" during maintenance hours. The cutover device, based on Teklec's MATE, provides the means to pre-test trunks allocated to the new switch in a controlled, secure environment.

With SS7 each node (Stored Program Control Switch) in the network is assigned a unique Point Code which identifies the switch. "The Cutover Device allows the new switch to have the same Point Code as the switch being replaced, thereby eliminating the need to perform thousands of translation changes previously necessary to properly test new SS7 trunks," said Rex Hester, Tekelec vice president, product manager, signaling products.

Recognized as a leading test equipment manufacturer, Tekelec's product line encompasses testing of data protocols, transmission services and equipment, signaling, and emerging intelligent network applications. Its products are actively marketed worldwide with subsidiaries in Japan and the U.K.

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#90218p2350 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - A definitive merger agreement was announced today by Firstar Corporation (NYSE: FSR), an $8.5 billion bank holding company based in Milwaukee, and Banks of Iowa, Inc. (NASDAQ: BIOW) a $2.5 billion bank holding company based in Des Moines, Iowa. It is the first interstate merger agreement to be announced in the State of Iowa since passage of an interstate banking law earlier this year.

The agreement calls for Firstar to exchange 2.7 of its shares for each outstanding share of the common stock of Banks of Iowa. Based on the closing price of Firstar stock of the New York Stock Exchange on Aug. 3, the shareholders of Banks of Iowa would receive Firstar stock with a value of about $75.60 per share or a total of $219.1 million.

Upon completion of the transaction, the twelve-bank Iowa franchise, which is Iowa's second largest banking organization, will become Firstar Corporation of Iowa, a subsidiary of Firstar Corporation. The combined organization will have 52 banks with 174 offices in Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota, Illinois and Arizona and a trust subsidiary in Florida.

Foster said upon closing of the transaction that James R. Lang would become president and chief executive officer of Firstar Corporation of Iowa. Lang currently is president of the $640 million asset First Wisconsin National Bank of Madison, Wisc. The board of directors of Banks of Iowa has been seeking a successor to Foster, 63, who would retire upon completion of the transaction. Prior to becoming chief executive officer of the Madison Bank, Lang had oversight responsibility for 17 other Firstar Wisconsin banks. He joined the Firstar organization in 1968.

Banks of Iowa has banks in Ames, Burlington, Cedar Falls, Cedar Rapids, Council Bluffs, Davenport, Des Moines, Eldridge, Mount Pleasant, Ottumwa, Red Oak and Sioux City, Iowa. It has a diversified business base of commercial, retail and trust customers. It has shown steady increases in earnings over the past five years as the Iowa economy has improved and become more diversified. In 1989, Banks of Iowa earned $24 million for a return on assets of .97 percent and a return on equity of 11.96 percent.

In connection with the transaction, Banks of Iowa granted Firstar an option to purchase newly issued shares of Banks of Iowa common stock in an amount equal to 24.9 percent of Banks of Iowa's currently outstanding shares.

The transaction is structured to be a tax-free exchange for Banks of Iowa's shareholders and will be accounted for as a pooling of interests. The agreement is subject to, among other things, approval by the shareholders

of both companies and state and federal banking authorities.

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RENO, NV (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Amserv, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: AMSR), today announced that on Aug. 4, 1990, the company's board of directors declared a 5 percent stock dividend, payable on Aug. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 17, 1990.

Gene Mora, chairman and CEO of Amserv, stated, "The stock dividend reflects the directors' confidence in the company's future and rewards shareholders for their loyalty while preserving cash for internal growth and acquisitions."

The company previously announced record fiscal 1990 fourth quarter and year-end results on July 31, 1990 (table follows; see note A).

For the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, sales increased 32 percent to a record $4,149,213, from sales of $3,140,415 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Net income during the recently ended quarter totaled a record $398,664, or $.12 per share(A), representing an increase of 20 percent over net income of $331,774, or $.10 per share(A), reported for last year's fourth quarter.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, Amserv had record net income of $1,494,647, or $.46 per share(A), on record sales of $14,249,152 compared to net income of $1,153,251, or $.37 per share(A), on sales of $10,168,461 in the same period a year ago.

Mora noted that the sales increase is attributed to the continued expansion of the company's nursing services business which now has seven offices located in Fairview Heights, Ill.; Las Vegas, Nev.; Louisville, Ky.; St. Louis, Mo.; Tucson, Ariz.; Portland, Ore.; and Seattle, Wash. "In keeping with our overall strategic expansion plan," Mora stated, "we will continue to open new Amserv offices as well as acquire temporary nursing services."

Amserv, Inc., is a national health care services and products company that provides temporary nursing personnel to hospitals and nursing homes to supplement their permanent staffs under the name Amserv Nurses, and markets cardiographic equipment and services under the name Amserv Medical Products.

(A) -- Reflects the 5 percent stock dividend.

AMSERV, INC.
Summary of Operating Results

Fourth quarter ended June 30	1990	1989
Sales	$ 4,149,213	$ 3,140,415
Net income	$ 398,664	$ 331,774
Net income per share:		
Primary	$.12(A)	$.10(A)
Fully diluted	$.12(A)	$.10(A)
Average shares outstanding:		
Primary	3,220,787(A)	3,197,363(A)
Fully diluted	3,221,828(A)	3,201,390(A)
Fiscal year ended June 30	1990	1989
Sales	$14,249,152	$10,168,461
Net income	$ 1,494,647	$ 1,153,251
Net income per share:		
Primary	$.46(A)	$.38(A)
Fully diluted	$.46(A)	$.37(A)
Average shares outstanding:		
Primary	3,257,003(A)	3,052,648(A)
Fully diluted	3,260,696(A)	3,142,270(A)

(A) -- Net income per share and average shares outstanding reflect the 5 percent stock dividend declared on Aug. 4, 1990.

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#90218p2352 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Marriott Food and Services Management, a division of Marriott Corporation (NYSE: MHS), said today that, as a result of a company-initiated internal review, it will adjust certain past charges by issuing credits to affected clients, to reconcile billings with applicable contract terms.

A spokesman said these adjustments are expected to reduce Marriott Corporation's third quarter net income by approximately $8 million or eight cents per share.

Marriott Food and Services Management stated that, through rapid internal expansion and a number of major acquisitions, it had grown from a regional operation with sales of $200 million in 1984, to the nation's leading contract services business, with sales of $2.3 billion in 1989. Further, a number of the acquired companies previously had purchased other food service management companies, each with its own contract form, resulting in a wide variety of contracts. The division has consolidated these acquisitions, blending management teams and billing procedures.

The division said the review showed inconsistencies between certain charges made to some of its food service management clients and the terms of their contracts. It is contacting all clients immediately, and will make prompt and appropriate adjustments for affected clients. It said the affected accounts are primarily commercial, but include some government clients.

"We have been in the food service management business for nearly 50 years " said Daniel P. Howells, executive vice president and general manager, Marriott Food and Services Management. "Our goal has always been to competitively provide the best possible services to our clients. We believe we have done this. We are taking corrective action to promptly resolve the inconsistencies that have arisen between certain of our charges and contract terms. Credits will be issued where appropriate. We sincerely regret any inconvenience to our clients."

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#90218p2353 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, ILL. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: WMX) officials Sunday called irresponsible a story which appeared over the weekend in the national business publication Barron's that it said tended to mislead investors and called into question certain of its accounting practices.

Waste Management said it follows in all cases generally accepted accounting principles and it noted that its financial statements are reviewed thoroughly by the public accounting firm Arthur Andersen & Co., Chicago, which has audited the company's financial statements for more than 20 years. Company officials said Waste Management adheres strictly to the guidelines of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Financial Standards Accounting Board, and noted that the author of the Barron's article acknowledged that the company was complying with generally accepted accounting principles and with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

James Koenig, vice president, treasurer and chief financial officer of Waste Management, said, "To suggest that our approach is in any way deficient flies in the face of reality and does a disservice to the professionals who meticulously prepare and scrutinize our financial statements. It ignores the fact that literally hundreds of other American corporations use the same accounting methods. The author appears to use Waste Management as a vehicle to criticize certain generally accepted accounting principles with which he takes exception.

"We want to reassure all of our investors that our financial statements

are comprehensive, complete, meet the highest accounting standards and exhaustively represent their interests."

Company representatives had discussed the accounting issues raised in the story with representatives of Arthur Andersen & Co. over the weekend. Waste Management officials said the company had received a letter from the firm Monday reaffirming Arthur Andersen's opinion that Waste Management's accounting practices complied fully with all generally accepted accounting principles.

The company said its officials, including Koenig, would be in contact Monday with financial analysts and investors to respond to any questions arising from the story.

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BALTIMORE (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - MNC Financial Inc. (NYSE: MNC) announced today that MNC has entered into an agreement to raise approximately $180 million through a private placement of cumulative convertible preferred stock to Alfred Lerner, a director of MNC.

The agreement entered into with Lerner provides that up to 50 percent of the private placement may be subscribed to by other directors of MNC, who are currently considering the potential investment. Lerner currently owns approximately 8.9 percent of the company's outstanding common stock.

The action by MNC's board of directors follows the recommendation of the Special Committee of independent directors of MNC formed for the purpose of evaluating and negotiating the terms of the issuance of securities.

The $180 million of preferred shares will bear quarterly cumulative cash dividends at a rate of 12 percent. Each preferred share will be convertible into MNC common stock at a conversion price of $10.75 per common share. The preferred shares will vote along with the common stock and each share of preferred stock will be entitled to one vote per each share of common stock into which such share is convertible. The conversion price of the preferred stock was established during the five-day trading period prior to Aug. 3, 1990. During that time, the common stock of MNC traded at an average price of $9.35 per share.

The agreement with Lerner is subject to the execution of definitive documentation and regulatory approval. It is expected that the investment will be closed during the fall of this year. The agreement provides that MNC may terminate the agreement in the event MNC is able to obtain financing on terms materially more favorable than those contained

in the private placement of preferred shares with Lerner.

MNC Financial is a $27 billion-plus asset diversified financial services company which delivers a broad range of commercial and consumer banking products in the Baltimore/Washington common market, and in the mid-Atlantic states. In addition, MNC is the largest national marketer of endorsed affinity group credit cards through its subsidiary MBNA America, a pioneer in asset securitization and sales, and a leader in regional and national consumer finance products. MNC manages one of the largest trust entities in the region.

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#90218p2359 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRASS VALLEY, CA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Brush Creek Mining and Development Co. Inc. (the company) (NASDAQ: BCMD) today announced the completion of a $6.435 million private placement of securities through Euro Canadian Securities Limited of Toronto to European institutional investors. The private placement consisted, on one part, of the exchange of debt in the amount of approximately $550,000 owed to affiliates of the company for shares of common stock. The additional proceeds of $2.05 million of the private placement resulted from the sale of units consisting of common stock and warrants which, if exercised, will bring an additional $3.835 million into the company's treasury.

The company's president, Michael Pickering, said the funds from the private placement have reduced the company's liabilities to the level of payables and have allowed the company to complete the consolidation of the area by acquiring the historic Ruby Mine, the Rising Sun Mine, the Dreadnaught Mine and the Carson Mine.

In addition, the funds received have allowed the company to perform some work and to start evaluation of the ore bodies on its properties. The company will be releasing the results of the evaluation from time to time as the projects are completed. To assist in the evaluation of its properties, the company has engaged Keewatin Engineering Inc. of Vancouver British Columbia, Canada, as a consultant. Keewatin Engineering is an internationally recognized engineering firm.

The company is involved in the exploration, development and mining of gold. Historically, the Allegheny-Forest-Downieville mining district has been a very productive area whose mines contain ore bodies which yields can be extremely rich. For the past few years, the mining district has been inactive.

Recently however, Billiton Minerals U.S.A., a division of Shell Oil Co., has agreed to perform exploration work at a mine adjacent to the Brush Creek properties with an option to enter into a $6 million joint venture to mine the property at the end of the exploration period.

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#90218p2361 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Healthcare Corporation of America (HCCA) and the City of Baltimore announced today that HCCA will consolidate its White Marsh and Baltimore offices in new corporate headquarters, located in downtown Baltimore at 100 S. Charles St. in The Equitable Bank Center's Tower II.

"The downtown Baltimore location will bring HCCA closer to the geographic center of our market," said David Wolf, president and chief executive officer of HCCA. "Just as we place a priority on providing our members with convenient medical facilities, we also feel it is important to be accessible to corporate decision makers and our corporate customers."

In addition, the new headquarters, located at the center of Baltimore's business district, will increase HCCA's visibility in the corporate community, Wolf said.

"I am pleased to welcome Healthcare Corporation of America to Baltimore City and gratified for the confidence expressed in this move," commented Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke. "HCCA is joining a rich tradition of healthcare delivery for which this city has been known for years. Their decision to move into the heart of downtown is further confidence in the viability of the city's central business district."

Effective today, the 43,000-square-foot new headquarters location will house HCCA's corporate management and administrative staff of approximately 150 employees.

HCCA is a fully integrated healthcare company which owns and manages several healthcare subsidiaries, including CareFirst (HMO), Potomac Health (HMO) and Physicians CareFirst (IPA). HCCA provides healthcare for more than 130,000 members in Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C.

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DALLAS (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Animation, 3-D images and parallel supercomputing with teamed workstations are among the advanced graphics capabilities IBM is showing at the Siggraph computer graphics convention here.

For example, by linking five of its IBM RISC System/6000 workstations together with an optical fiber, a "de facto supercomputer" has been formed to accelerate the performance of computationally intense functions such as ray tracing.

One RISC System/6000 serves as central point; the other four are its computational "assistants."

Ray tracing is a method of creating an artificial scene or animation by having a computer compute all the paths light rays would trace in a specific room, landscape or other scene. Ordinarily, such graphic simulations require very large and expensive supercomputers.

A single IBM RISC System/6000 capable of reaching up to 13 million floating point operations per second (MegaFlops) can perform ray tracing; the IBM parallelism demonstration achieves approximately four times the 6000's normal performance.

Another IBM RISC System/6000 array -- by the Utah Supercomputing Institute -- will also demonstrate the opportunities opened for cost- effective supercomputing by linking very powerful workstations and performing calculations "over the network."

Other IBM demonstrations include the ability to display 3-D images in workstation screen "X windows," the ability to transmit animated video over a local area network (LAN) and display it on a PS/2 screen, and an array of scientific visualizations from the company's Research Division, scientific centers and development laboratories.

IBM's large and technically aggressive exhibit at the iggraph show is intended to signal its accelerated drive toward the forefront of computer graphics technology.

Two exhibitors at the IBM booth will show their work at the juried and widely respected Siggraph Film and Video Theater.

Bill Latham, an artist who collaborates with IBM's Winchester scientific center in the United Kingdom will show his "Solid Modeling in Science and Art" highlighting his method of producing computer-generated sculptures.

The Cornell National Supercomputer Facility will present "Bells and Whistles," a work that blends advanced graphics and music.

In addition, a number of IBM customers and software firms whose applications port to the IBM RISC System/6000 are also exhibiting or will be represented in the IBM booth.

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#90218p2363 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENCINO, CALIF. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Mail Boxes Coast to Coast (NASDAQ: MBCC) announced today that it has consummated the sale of a portion of the company's New York Area Franchise, to Mail Boxes Etc. (MBE) (NASDAQ: MAIL). MBCC sold the Area Franchise known as Long Island (Nassau and Suffolk Counties), and the Burrough of Queens. The sale price was $433,951.000, with a net amount of $356,312 to MBCC.

Gary M. Williams, president of MBCC said, "this transaction will provide MBCC with capital needed to increase our efforts in the marketing and sale of franchises."

He further added, "that with the completion of the sale, it will now allow the company to have a more focused attention on the core of MBCC's business, which is the development of Los Angeles County, Calif., and New York City, besides reducing overhead for the company.

MBCC is the largest Area Franchisee of Mail Boxes Etc., the nation's largest franchisor of postal, business and communication centers.

CONTACT: Gary M. Williams, president of Mail Boxes Coast to Coast, 818-995-2400

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#90218p2364 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - NeuroGenesis, Inc., of Houston, today announced the successful completion of a private placement stock offering.

NeuroGenesis achieved its goal of raising $525,000 through the sale of 700,000 shares of unregistered common stock. The company is bringing to market food supplements that provide for the specific nutritional needs of people suffering from addictive and compulsive behavior, including alcoholism and cocaine addiction.

Two of NeuroGenesis' products, SAAVE and TROPAMINE, are marketed by its subsidiary, Matrix Technologies, Inc. The product's formulations are based on extensive research by Dr. Kenneth Blum, professor of pharmacology at the University of Texas. Dr. Blum's work indicated a potential

specific gene link to alcoholism and drug addiction. In his laboratory research with mice, Dr. Blum discovered that the tendency toward alcohol preference could be reduced by increasing the dietary levels of specific amino acids.

Further, Dr. Blum's work indicates that many of the "emotional problems" experienced by recovering alcoholics and addicts are actually due to nutritional imbalances that have been aggravated by abuse of alcohol and drugs.

NeuroGenesis' product SAAVE helps alleviate the tension, stress and mood swings frequently experienced by recovering alcoholics. Over 18,000 people have taken SAAVE and 6,000 have TROPAMINE in over 600 treatment centers throughout the country.

Future products NeuroGenesis will bring to market include nutritional supplements to aid in weight control and to counteract stress.

"NeuroGenesis' successful completion of this stock offering indicates the marketplace's acceptance of our breakthrough research into the biological roots of the terrible problems of alcohol and drug addiction." NeuroGenesis President Al Bieser said today.

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#90218p2365 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOCA RATON, FLA. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Innovet Inc. (NASDAQ: IVET) today announced that its patented, Microdroplet Technology, drug delivery system now being successfully tested in veterinary applications, will be applied to the field of human medicine in the near future.

Experts now estimate that the market demand for unique human drug delivery technologies that enhance and extend therapeutic effectiveness will reach $4.5 billion by 1994. Innovet's technology will have a major impact on that market.

"We believe many existing pharmaceutical compounds for humans will be made more safe and effective with our Microdroplet Technology. Innovet will actively pursue those avenues," said Dr. Jesse W. Houdeshell, D.V.M., president of Innovet. "Many of these compounds are delivered to the patient by antiquated delivery methods using non-biocompatible oils, organic solvents and surfactants. The Microdroplet Technology provides a method of drug delivery that eliminates the need to use these irritating substances that are foreign to the body and in themselves cause adverse tissue and organ reactions. One of the most important features of our

novel delivery systems is that all components are biocompatible and safe."

Dr. Houdeshell further said, "the expansion of the Microdroplet Technology to human drug applications came about through inquiries from pharmaceutical firms looking for a better alternative for delivery of their drugs. We already have four projects in the early stages of formulations development. Word soon spreads through the industry when a new technology becomes available to reduce injection site pain or prolong the release of medication."

Microdroplet Technology creates tiny beadlets 1/80th the size of a red blood cell that can be engineered to release drug substances at a programmed rate. The beadlets consist of a non-irritating, safe coating that surrounds tiny particles of a medication and can be formulated to release quickly or over several days.

Based in Boca Raton, Innovet is a development-stage company dedicated to innovative healthcare products. The company's patents in Microdroplet Technology hold promise in revolutionizing the way in which pets, livestock and eventually humans may be treated for disease.

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#90218p2368 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, CALIF. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Trefoil Capital Investors L.P. and CNC Holding Corp. today jointly announced that they had agreed to extend the deadline for completion of definitive documents relating to Trefoil's acquisition of CNC Holding's 82 percent equity interest in Child World, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: CWLD) until Friday, Aug. 10. Previously, Trefoil and CNC Holding had said they expected definitive do cumentation for the non-cash equity transaction to be completed by Sunday, Aug. 5.

As previously announced, following the completion of this transaction, Trefoil will acquire the remaining 18 percent interest in Child World thorough the acquisition of all of its 2,021,866 publicly-held shares for $14 per share in cash in a second step merger transaction.

CONTACT: Michael S. Sitrick or Steven Stern of Sitrick and Co., 213-208-1108, for Trefoil Capital Investors and CNC Holding Corp.

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#90218p2369 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - William F. Poe, chairman of Poe & Associates Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: POEA), and Denis I. Pruiett, president of

Golden Eagle Group Inc. and its affiliated companies, today announced Poe's acquisition of Golden Eagle.

Golden Eagle, which will continue to operate in Lakeland, Fla., as a general agent for property and casualty insurance companies, respresents more than 100 agencies in smaller communities throughout Florida and Georgia.

Poe said that he is pleased to have Pruiett and his staff of 12 as part of the Poe team. "The addition of this professional group represents an opportunity to expand our insurance products and service capabilities." He further noted that Pruiett, prior to joining Golden Eagle, was the vice president of Poe's Wholesale Division.

Pruiett described the company as "a new concept in the distribution of insurance through independent agents. Golden Eagle acts as the nucleus of a cluster group of independent agents in smaller communities who are joined together in order to better provide products and services to their clients, sort of the mother ship to a fleet of smaller agencies."

Poe & Associates Inc. is among the nation's leading independent insurance agency organizations. The company has offices throughout Florida, and in Arizona, California, Connecticut, Georgia, New Jersey, North Carolina, and Texas. Poe markets a broad range of property and casualty insurance, financial services, and employee benefits programs through both the traditional retail approach and niche marketing.

Customers range from individuals to blue chip corporations and national associations. Poe's common stock is publicly traded in the Over-the-Counter market and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol POEA.

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#90218p2370 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Circuit City Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CC) today announced July sales of $183.9 million, which represents a 15 percent increase from July 1989 sales of $159.8 million and a 1 percent decrease in comparable store sales.

"Although we are disappointed by the comparable store sales, we remain pleased that comparable store growth year to date has met our expectations " said Richard L. Sharp, Circuit City's president and chief executive officer. "A calendar change that caused July of this year to have one less Saturday than July 1989 contributed to the month's soft comparable

store performance."

Circuit City continued its geographic expansion program during the month with the opening of its twelfth Superstore in San Francisco, Calif., and the relocation of a Superstore in Charlotte, N.C. In addition, Sharp announced that the company will open two more Impulse stores in August as it continues to test and refine the mall-based format. The new stores will be located in Fashion Mall at Plantation in Plantation, Fla., and The Gardens in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

Circuit City Stores, Inc. is the nation's largest specialty retailer of brand-name consumer electronics and major appliances. With headquarters in Richmond, Va., it operates 134 Superstores, 19 Circuit City stores and four Impulse mall stores in the Eastern United States and in California, Nevada and Arizona.

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#90218p2371 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - In a further move to exit the data input device market, AMP Inc. (NYSE: AMP), the world's leading producer of electrical and electronic connection devices, announced today its intent to sell Carroll Touch Inc.

Carroll Touch is a leader in touch-screen technology, specializing in the design, development and manufacture of touch-screen input systems for computer monitors, terminals, and flat panels. Using a patented scanning infrared technology, Carroll Touch's product line consists of standard infrared, custom infrared, and total touch products. Carroll Touch's operations are conducted in Round Rock, Texas, and Tokyo. With 1990 year-to-date sales of approximately $6.4 million (through June 30, U.S.-65 percent and Japan-35 percent), Carroll Touch's strong established position in the touch-screen industry should allow it to continue to play a leading role in providing touch-screen solutions to new market applications.

An AMP spokesman said the company continues to refocus its efforts and resources on its primary field of concentration --electrical/ electronic connection devices -- because of the excellent opportunities it sees ahead there in the 1990's. A year ago AMP sold its small subsidiary that developed and produced membrane switches and keyboards.

AMP recently reported sales up 6 percent to a record $1.52 Billion for the first half of 1990 and earnings up 4 percent to $1.39/share.

Harrisburg-based AMP Inc. is the world's leading producer of electrical/electronic connection devices. It has 24,800 employees in

nearly 160 facilities in the U.S. and 26 other countries. AMP stock is listed on the New York, Pacific and other regional stock exchanges.

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#90218p2373 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Bond Brewing Holdings Limited ("BBH") today announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Dimola Pty. Ltd. ("Dimola"), has extended its offer to purchase all outstanding 12-5/8 percent extendable subordinated debentures of BBH until 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Friday, Aug. 10, 1990. As previously announced, debentures tendered pursuant to the offer may be withdrawn at any time after Tuesday, Aug. 7, 1990, if not previously accepted for purchase pursuant to the offer. The depositary has advised BBH and Dimola that, as of 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on Friday, Aug. 3, 1990, approximately 1.6 percent of the outstanding principal amount of debentures had been tendered to the depositary pursuant to the tender offer.

As BBH has previously disclosed, the availability period for funding under Dimola's tender offer facility lapsed on July 31, 1990. There is no assurance that the lenders under the tender offer facility will agree to extend the availability period and provide funds. It remains a condition to the offer that sufficient funds be available under the tender offer facility to consummate the offer.

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#90218p2375 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MI (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - TriMas Corporation (NASDAQ: TMAS) today reported record quarterly sales and earnings for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990. Net sales for the second quarter of 1990 were $87.7 million, as compared to $58.2 million for the second quarter of 1989. Earnings available for common stock, after providing for preferred stock dividends, increased 18 percent to $4.3 million, or $.44 per common share, as compared to the prior year second- quarter results of $3.7 million, or $.38 per common share.

Earnings per common share for 1990 and 1989 reflect the company's common stock split, effected in the form of a 100-percent stock distribution (one additional share for every share held) issued to shareholders in February 1990.

Results for the second quarter and first half of 1990 include the results

of operations of the three businesses acquired from Masco Corporation in January 1990. As previously announced, TriMas acquired the assets and business of Draw-Tite, Inc., a leading manufacturer of vehicle towing systems for the recreational and light truck markets. The results of operations of Draw-Tite are included in the second quarter since June 1, 1990, the effective date of acquisition. Results from these businesses, after acquisition-related expenses, more than offset lower results from the company's other businesses.

The company said: "Due to seasonal factors, our second-half operating results have historically been lower than the first half, and while a number of our businesses continue to experience softened demand due to general economic conditions, we believe that TriMas will achieve record sales and earnings in 1990."

TriMas Corporation manufactures commercial and industrial products including fasteners, products for the containment and dispensing of fluids and gases, precision cutting tools, specialty insulation and tape products and products for the recreational and marine markets.

TRIMAS CORPORATION
Consolidated Condensed Statement of Income
Amounts in thousands, except per-share data
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$87,660	$58,190	$163,320	$118,350
Cost of sales	(60,290)	(38,760)	(113,000)	(79,520)
Selling, general & administrative expenses	(11,760)	(7,680)	(21,700)	(15,320)
Other expense, net	(5,110)	(2,700)	(9,200)	(5,400)
Income before income taxes	10,500	9,050	19,420	18,110
Income taxes	4,420	3,620	8,010	7,570
Net income	$6,080	$5,430	$11,410	$10,540
Earnings available for common stock	$4,330	$3,680	$7,910	$7,040
Earnings per common share	$.44	$.38	$.80	$.72
Average common shares outstanding	9,833	9,833	9,833	9,833

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#90218p2378 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

OCALA, FLA. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Microdyne Corporation (NASDAQ: MCDY), a leading supplier of specialized radio frequency communications equipment and systems integration services, has announced the appointment of Robert K. Michaels, 46, as chief financial officer, it was reported today by Kenneth G. Harple, president and chief executive officer.

Commenting on the appointment, Kenneth Harple stated, "I am pleased to announce that Bob Michaels is joining the company. His diverse professional background and expertise in the high technology arena will be invaluable in implementing and managing our ambitious growth objectives and building value for Microdyne shareholders."

Prior to joining Microdyne, Michaels was chief financial officer of Generex Corporation, a computer systems company. Earlier, he was chief financial officer of Autech Corporation, and before that was senior vice president of D.B.A. Systems, Inc., a publicly held high technology firm. Michaels served as a certified public accountant for six year with Deloitte, Haskins & Sells after completing his masters in business administration from the University of Georgia in 1967.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Mor-Flo Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: MORF) today reported financial results for the second quarter and first six months of 1990.

Net sales for the second quarter of 1990 were $53,355,219 as compared with $53,556,322 for the second quarter of 1989. The company reported net earnings of $140,303, or 6 cents per share, as compared with a net loss of $1,310,103, or 52 cents per share, for the second quarter of 1989.

Net sales for the first six months of 1990 were $109,057,270 as compared with $109,639,912 for the first six months of 1989. Net earnings for the first six months of 1990 were $428,793, or 17 cents per share, as compared with a net loss of $2,224,093, or 88 cents per share, for the first half of 1989.

Walter L. Abt, chairman of the board and president of Mor-Flo, said that profitable operations were achieved in the second quarter and first half of 1990 primarily as a result of increasing gross profit margin. In both periods, higher average selling prices more than offset increased costs due to complying with the minimum energy efficiency requirements of the National Appliance Energy Conservation Act of 1987 which went into effect

on Jan. 1, 1990 for the manufacture of residential water heaters.

Mor-Flo Industries, Inc. is a leading national manufacturer of gas, electric and solar water heaters, as well as related home heating products. The company is headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio and has major manufacturing facilities in Johnson City and Chattanooga, Tenn. and Santa Monica, California.

	Quarter Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 53,355,219	$ 53,556,322
Net earnings (loss)	140,303	(1,310,103)
Earnings (loss) per share	.06	(.52)
Average number of shares outstanding	2,520,996	2,520,997
	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$109,057,270	$109,639,912
Net earnings (loss)	428,793	(2,224,093)
Earnings (loss) per share	.17	(.88)
Average number of shares outstanding	2,520,996	2,520,997

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OAK BROOK, IL (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Champion Parts, Inc. (NASDAQ: CREB), a major remanufacturer of replacement parts for cars, trucks and farm equipment, today reported a profit for the second quarter and first half year ended July 1, 1990, compared to a loss in both of these periods last year.

For the second quarter of 1990, the company reported net earnings of $212,000 or six cents per share, compared to a loss of $1,025,000 or 28 cents per share in the 1989 quarter. Net sales declined to $29,419,000 from $31,271,000.

For the first half of 1990, the company reported net earnings of $679,000 or 19 cents per share, compared to a loss of $1,067,000 or 29 cents per share a year earlier. Net sales increased to $61,646,000 from $59,117,000.

Charles P. Schwartz Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Champion Parts' return to profitable operations in 1990 reflects an improved product mix, as well as the benefit of price increases and overhead cost reductions. With an inventory reduction behind us, we are producing to meet current sales demand which improves absorption of

factory overhead expense. The second quarter's profit, compared to a loss last year, is especially encouraging, for while we did forecast lower sales and earnings than occurred in the first quarter, we were also affected by generally soft market conditions throughout the automotive aftermarket.

"In the current third quarter, we should benefit from the extreme heat in many parts of the country, which causes vehicle breakdowns, as well as an increased level of orders received from vehicle manufacturers for their service operations. The favorable elements which contributed to the profit for the first six months are also expected to continue.

"In addition to the operating gains which resulted in a $4,000,000 'swing' or improvement in pre-tax earnings, there has also been improvement in Champion Parts' finances," said Schwartz. "Notes payable to banks and long-term debt have been reduced 23 percent ($11.4 million), as compared to last year at this time."

Champion Parts is the country's largest independent automotive replacement parts remanufacturer in the multi-billion dollar automotive, truck and farm equipment aftermarket. It remanufactures, tests and distributes approximately 5 million parts each year throughout the U.S. and Canada. Its major products, representing some 80 percent of the sales volume of rebuilt parts sold by automotive jobbers and retail outlets, include fuel system products such as carburetors, and a complete line of automotive electrical and mechanical parts. The company employs 2,100 men and women and operates five major plants in the U.S. and Canada.

CHAMPION PARTS, INC.
CONSOLIDATED RESULTS
(Unaudited)

	Second Quarter Ended		First Half Ended	
	July 1, 1990	June 30, 1989	July 1, 1990	June 30, 1989
Net sales	$29,419,000	$31,271,000	$61,646,000	$59,117,000
Earnings (loss) before interest, income taxes, and cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	1,623,000	(421,000)	3,666,000	(61,000)
Interest	1,257,000	1,449,000	2,495,000	2,761,000
Earnings (loss) before income taxes, and cumulative effect of change in accounting				

principle	366,000	(1,870,000)	1,171,000	(2,822,000)
Income taxes (benefit)	154,000	(845,000)	492,000	(1,245,000)
Earnings (loss) before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	212,000	(1,025,000)	679,000	(1,577,000)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle(a)	---	---	---	510,000
Net earnings (loss)	212,000	(1,025,000)	679,000	(1,067,000)
Net earnings (loss) per common share: Earnings (loss) before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	.06	(.28)	.19	(.43)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	---	---	---	.14
Net earnings (loss) per common share	.06	(.28)	.19	(.29)
Average shares outstanding	3,655,266	3,640,005	3,650,099	3,634,838

(a) The company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 96 "Accounting for Income Taxes," resulting in a favorable adjustment of $510,000.

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#90218p2384 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANTON, IL (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Canton Industrial Corporation (CNI.B) and (OTC), today announced that an Abbott Products Structural Steel Division has been created to utilize an 83,000 sq. ft. portion of its Canton, Ill., facility which will provide structural steel fabrication for the commercial and industrial construction industry.

Business for the new operation will be generated by Abbott Products, Inc.,

a Chicago-based metal fabricator privately owned by Nelson Carlo, the current president of, and majority stockholder in Canton. As a result of Carlo's dual ownership and Hispanic heritage, both companies qualify as minority owned, Small Disadvantage Business' (SDB) by federal, state and city governments.

Marketing will largely focus on Chicago's construction market but will include other appropriate projects nationwide. As a minority owned business enterprise, the Chicago market, as well as other major metropolitan areas afford outstanding business opportunity because of the requirements for developers and general contractors to participate in their minority owned business programs.

The structural steel division is currently working with Havens Steel Company of Kansas City, Mo., on the Terminal 5 Venture O'Hare International Airport expansion project for structural steel fabrication. Havens Steel is one of the nations leading "total project" structural steel fabricators and erectors. Abbott estimates that its participation in the Terminal 5 Venture will product $6 million in structural sales if its bid is approved. The structural steel division is also working toward four additional projects which could provide up to $50 million in business over the next five years.

Canton is also negotiating two separate projects with a major automotive tire manufacturer and a designer and installer of material handling and warehousing systems. Each project has the sales potential for over $2 million annually.

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#90218p2388 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Spectrum Cellular Corporation today announced an agreement with NEC America, Inc. of Dallas to develop and manufacture a line of cellular data communications products for use with NEC's cellular telephone products.

According to John Rule, president of Spectrum Cellular, the agreement calls for the development of several products designed to provide NEC cellular phone users the ability to transmit facsimile and error-free data via the cellular telephone network.

In specific, the products to be produced include a version of Spectrum's IntelliJack(TM) intelligent cellular telephone interface, simple interfaces for RJ-11 to cellular telephone connection and other data communications products. Each is designed for use with standard RJ-11

devices such as facsimiles, answering machines and Spectrum's new BridgePlus(TM) cellular/landline modem.

The BridgePlus supports Spectrum's SPCL Protocol(TM), designed for error-free data communications via the cellular network. Using SPCL Protocol, the BridgePlus (V.22bis) provides error-free data throughputs via landline or cellular networks from 5000 to 8000 bits per second, depending on the environment quality and type of information transmitted.

"NEC's packaging approach for the products is particularly exciting," noted Rule. "Each will be available in a compact enclosure which will snap-on to the new NEC P-300 handheld cellular phone." A 9 volt battery and cellular telephone connector are included within the enclosure which provides direct RJ-11 for external device connection. Special packaging will also be available for use of the products with NEC's in-vehicle and other model transportable cellular telephones.

Combined with any of the widely available handheld or notebook computers, the products are ideal for vertical applications requiring true portable computing and connectivity without the encumbrances of larger packages.

All of the new data products are being developed and manufactured by Spectrum Cellular in Dallas for distribution by NEC America, Inc. this fall.

Spectrum Cellular Corporation is a subsidiary of Spectrum Information Technologies (NASDAQ: SPCL). The company is located at 2710 Stemmons Freeway, 800 North Tower, Dallas, Texas 75207, 214-630-9825.

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#90218p2390 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - PharmaControl Corp. (NASDAQ: PHAR) announced today that it will delay the record date (currently set for Aug. 6, 1990), of the 8 for 1 reverse split of its common stock to Sept. 21, 1990.

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#90218p2391 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - AAC Acquisition Corp., a subsidiary of Acer America Corporation and a member of the Taiwan-based Acer Group, announced today that it has extended its offer to purchase all outstanding

shares of common stock and all outstanding shares of Series B common stock of Altos Computer Systems (NASDAQ-NMS: ALTO), in each case at $8.35 per share net to the seller in cash. The offer and withdrawal rights, originally scheduled to expire at 12:00 midnight (New York City time) on Friday, Aug. 3, 1990, will now expire at 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on Monday, Aug. 6, 1990, subject to AAC's right to further extend the offer. The offer was extended pending the Aug. 6 expiration of the statutory review period under the Exon-Florio amendment.

Security Pacific National Bank, the depositary for the offer, has advised AAC that, to date, an aggregate of approximately 9,973,681 shares of common stock and 17,750 shares of Series B common stock had been tendered pursuant to the offer (including shares tendered pursuant to guaranteed delivery procedures) and not thereafter withdrawn, representing 91.4 percent of the outstanding common stock and 100.0 percent of the outstanding Series B common stock, assuming the exercise of all outstanding and exercisable options. According to Altos Computer Systems, there are outstanding 10,906,434 shares of common stock, including shares subject to exercisable options, as defined in the offer, and 17,750 shares of Series B common stock. AAC announced that it intends to continue to solicit the tender of additional shares pursuant to the offer.

Alex. Brown & Sons Incorporated is acting as the dealer manager for the offer and Georgeson & Company Inc. is acting as the information agent. Copies of the offer to purchase and letter of transmittal may be obtained from the information agent by calling 1-800-223-2064 or from the dealer manager by calling 415-544-2800 (collect).

Founded in 1977, Altos designs, manufactures and markets UNIX-based networked, multiuser solutions for distribution in 60 countries. More than 128,000 Altos systems have been installed worldwide. Fiscal 1989 sales for Altos were $140 million.

The Acer Group, founded in 1976 and based in Taiwan, is a multinational organization with more than 5,000 employees worldwide and revenue totalling more than $700 million in 1989. Acer's full product line extends from personal computer systems and peripherals to data communications products, ASICs, and multiuser systems. The firm markets its products through an established network of more than 10,000 dealers in over 70 countries. The Acer Group is the largest microcomputer manufacturer in Taiwan. Stock of Acer Incorporated, which heads the Acer Group, is traded on the Taiwan Stock Exchange.

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#90218p2395 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Products Corporation (NASDAQ: DIPC) today reported increased earnings and revenues for its first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues were $894,415 versus $867,694 a year ago. Net income rose to $51,636 from $42,595 in the fiscal 1989 opening period. Earnings per share were $0.006 for both periods, because of a 29 percent increase in shares outstanding this year.

Theodore M. Sabarese, newly appointed president and chief executive officer of Digital, said, "We expect our company to achieve accelerating earnings growth as the year progresses and in the future." He added, "Digital is rapidly positioning itself to take a leadership role in the electronic-monitoring segment of the house-arrest industry. We believe that the next few years are going to see dynamic growth in this market, and I am committed to Digital being in the forefront of this industry."

Digital Products Corporation is a supplier of electronic-monitoring equipment to the house-arrest marketplace. Digital has over 6,500 units installed at 150 locations in 41 states. The company also markets monitoring capabilities for its house-arrest equipment through its service-bureau operation, as well as maintenance and educational services. In addition, Digital manufacturers and markets "Telsol," which is a sophisticated outbound telephone automatic-dialer system, and it has over 10,000 units installed nationwide.

DIGITAL PRODUCTS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Statements of Consolidated Income
(Unaudited)

Three months ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 894,415	$ 867,694
Gross profit	730,631	723,139
S,G&A expense	617,443	648,624
Income from operations	113,188	74,515
Other income (expense)	(61,552)	(31,920)
Income before income tax	51,636	42,595
Provision for income tax	--	--
Net income	51,636	42,595
Average shares outstanding	8,621,092	6,685,000
Net income per share	$0.006	$0.006

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#90218p2398 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Aancor Holdings,

Inc., the parent of National Gypsum Company, today announced that Peter C. Browning, president of National Gypsum's Gold Bond Building Products division, will become president and chief executive officer of Aancor and National Gypsum, effective, Oct. 1, 1990. Browning will succeed John P. Hayes as chief executive officer. Hayes, 69, will retire from the company after 43 years of service and will remain on the board of directors as chairman. Browning will also continue as president and chief executive officer of Gold Bond Building Products.

Browning, 48, joined Gold Bond as executive vice president in February 1989, after 24 years of service with Continental Can Company, Inc., where he last served as executive vice president. In August 1989, he was named president and chief executive officer of Gold Bond and was elected to the Aancor board of directors in December 1989.

Browning was graduated from Colgate University in 1963 with a B.A. degree in history and received an M.B.A. degree from the University of Chicago in 1976.

Hayes joined National Gypsum as a salesman in 1947 and served in a variety of sales management and marketing positions before being named president of Hold Bond Building Products in 1969. The following year he was elected to the National Gypsum board of directors. In 1975, he was named president and chief operating officer, and in 1983 was elected chairman of the board of directors and chief executive officer.

Aancor Holdings, Inc. was formed in 1986 as part of a management-led buyout of National Gypsum. Although Aancor is privately-held, certain debt instruments are publicly traded.

National Gypsum, with 1989 sales of $1.4 billion, consists of two primary operating divisions: Gold Bond Building Products, the nation's second largest manufacturer and supplier of gypsum wallboard and related products and The Austin Company, the oldest and one of the largest design, engineering and construction firms in the United States. In addition, National Gypsum conducts export sales of its products, as well as building supplies from other manufacturers, through its international division.

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#90218p2399 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The appointment of R. Timothy Epps as vice president of people systems for Saturn was announced today by Saturn President Richard G. "Skip" LeFauve.

Epps, who has been vice president in charge of personnel for General

Motors-Europe in Zurich, Switzerland, succeeds James L. Lewandowski who is retiring under the provisions of the GM Retirement Program after a 35-year career.

A native of Welland, Ontario, Canada, Epps began his GM career as a student at General Motors Institute (GMI) in Flint, Mich., where he graduated in 1969 as an industrial engineer. He received a master's degree in business administration from the University of British Columbia.

He returned to GM of Canada at St. Catherines, Ontario, in 1970 as a labor relations representative. He was named staff assistant for personnel benefits in Oshawa, Ontario, in 1971, and was subsequently promoted to supervisor, and later to administrator of salaried personnel administration.

Epps has also served as assistant director of personnel at Cadillac; director, personnel administration and development at Inland Division; and administrator of executive compensation on the GM Personnel Administration and Development Staff.

In June 1981, Epps became director of personnel at Rochester Products Division, Rochester, N.Y., and in September 1984, he became director of personnel for the Saginaw Division in Saginaw, Mich. He was appointed vice president in charge of personnel for General Motors- Europe in Zurich Switzerland, in February 1986.

A native of Detroit, Lewandowski joined General Motors in 1955 as a co-op student at GMI sponsored by Cadillac Motor Car Division in Detroit.

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#90218p2400 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WARREN, NJ (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunomedics, Inc. (NASDAQ: IMMU), announced today that it has filed an Investigational New Drug Application (IND) with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to begin testing of the company's lymphoma monoclonal antibody imaging agent, ImmuRAID-LL2. This product complements the use of ImmuRAIT-LL2, the company's therapeutic product, on which an IND was filed recently. ImmuRAID-LL2 is a monoclonal antibody-based imaging agent which utilizes the company's proprietary antibody linking technology (technetium-99m) to target B-cell lymphomas.

Pilot studies with ImmuRAID-LL2 have shown that the product can detect lymphomas not revealed by conventional methods. "Accurate staging of lymphoma is critically important in selecting appropriate therapy," noted Carl Pinsky, vice president, medical affairs. "Our preliminary results

indicate that this lymphoma antibody is excellent at locating tumor sites, providing information valuable in the treatment of the cancer."

The company recently filed two other INDs for imaging agents that also utilize Immunomedics' proprietary technetium-99m antibody linking technology. The other products, ImmuRAID-AFP and ImmuRAID-MN3, are imaging agents for the detection of liver and germ cell cancers, and infectious diseases, respectively.

"We set a goal of submitting four INDs to the FDA in less than three months, and I am pleased that we have met this objective," noted Russell C. McLaughlan, president. "We currently are on schedule in our Phase III trials for our colorectal imaging agent ImmuRAID-CEA."

Immunomedics is a biopharmaceutical company applying innovative technology to the development of new methods and products using antibody-based radioisotopes and drugs for diagnosis and therapy of cancer, infection and other diseases. The company maintains corporate headquarters in Warren and research facilities on the campus of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in Newark.

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#90218p2401 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANNAPOLIS, MD (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Second National Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: SNFS) opened its second branch in Easton, Md., today in the new Second National building located at 1011 Dover Road in Carlton Business Park, Easton.

"The volume of business at our existing Easton branch on Glebe Road justifies opening a second office in Talbot County," said Henry A. Berliner Jr., president and chief executive officer. "By locating our new office east of Route 50, we hope to facilitate service to our Caroline County customers as well."

The new office will house retail banking, mortgage and regional administrative offices.

Brenda Ford, assistant vice president, will manage the branch. Other staff members are Terri Brannock, customer service supervisor; Terri Mister, teller; Muriel Fernald, teller; and JoEllen "Jody" Murdoch, part-time teller.

Second National now has a branch network of 39 banking offices and 11 mortgage production offices in Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia and the District of Columbia.

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#90218p2402 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTONA BEACH, FLA. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated-Tomoka Land Co. (NASDAQ: CTLC) today released its earnings report for the quarter and six months ended June 30.

Quarter ended 6/30	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 6,290,403	$12,900,921
Net income (loss)	$(1,085,793)	$ 552,587
Earnings per share		
Primary	(.35)	.17
Fully diluted	(.33)	.17
Six months ended 6/30	1990	1989
Revenues	$16,637,754	$24,019,265
Net income (loss)	$(1,515,574)	$ 914,687
Earnings per share		
Primary	(.48)	.29
Fully diluted	(.46)	.28

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#90218p2406 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Stardent Computer Inc., Newton, Mass., introduced the CFD Viewer, which provides advanced visualization for computational fluid dynamics (CFD) research and engineering, as the first add-on product for the Application Visualization System, AVS(tm). The company plans a series of AVS add-on products to be announced over the next year.

The easy-to-use interface provides access to all the functionality necessary to visualize CFD problems using pull-down menu point-and-click operations. The CFD Viewer is based on the underlying AVS networks, modules, data structures and libraries most often used in CFD.

An extensive set of modules specifically designed to handle CFD data sets is supplied with the CFD Viewer. These modules will allow the user to generate isosurfaces and streamlines, slice arbitrary planes through the data model and interrogate the model for physical data, such as stress, pressure and mach number.

The product also provides users with two different data structures

designed to handle CFD data sets. The first type, AVS fields, handles volumes of block structured data, either uniform or curvilinear. The second type, unstructured cell data, describes data as individual "cells", which, in turn, are composed of nodes. Unstructured cell data includes cell types such as line, point, triangle, quadrilateral, pyramid, prism, tetrahedron, and hexadron. With these two data types, users can extend the library of modules available for visualizing and analyzing CFD data. In turn, these modules can be added into networks in order to enhance the functionality of the CFD Viewer.

Stardent plans similar add-on AVS products that will provide powerful tools for scientists doing finite element analysis, animation, chemistry and image processing. Pricing for the CFD Viewer will be below $3,000, depending on system configuration. The product will be available in late 1990 for systems running AVS3, the most recent release of AVS.

Stardent Computer Inc. is the leading developer, manufacturer and marketer of visualization systems. These include graphics supercomputers, departmental supercomputers and interactive 3D visualization software.

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#90218p2407 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Stardent Computer Inc., of Newton, Mass., today introduced the latest version of its Application Visualization System, AVS(tm)3, featuring new data anaylsis capabilities and improved support for applications development. In addition, the new product will add heterogeneous network support, further extending the number of platforms able to run AVS.

"The enhancements to AVS3 extend it from an ideal reserch tool to one designed for production use by scientists and engineers," said Ian Reid, Stardent's vice president of visualization marketing.

AVS3, which is being formally introduced at SIGGRAPH '90 here, features a new tool for generating and manipulating x and y plots and graphs, the Graph Viewer. This tool extends the data analysis capabilities, allowing the user to do 2D plotting and contouring. In addition, Data Probes have been added which will allow users to associate quantitative data values and coordinates with the visual representation of their data. Using a data probe, the user will be able to select a point on the surface and determine the exact value and position of the original data.

The new version also adds support for 8-bit X Window terminals and emulators and remote module execution in heterogeneous networks. AVS3 contains data transport protocols for transparantly passing data between

machines with different formats. Reid noted that this increased portability expands access to AVS on machines ranging from supercomputers to the desktop.

Developers of chemistry, computational fluid dynamics and finite element analysis applications will find additional module support in AVS3. Specifically, the product features new data types for molecular or quantum data and an unstructured cell data type.

Access to a complete Command Line interface provides the developer with full control of network editing, execution and user interface layout operations from within a module. A module can also select X Window events for application-specific user interaction.

Stardent Computer Inc. is the leading developer, manufacturer and marketer of visualization systems. These include graphics supercomputers, departmental supercomputers and interactive 3D visualization software.

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#90218p2411 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Transarc Corp. announced today that it has contracted with the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) to deploy and study an initial Wide Area File System.

This two-year, $1.1 million project will build understanding of the patterns of use, administration and performance characteristics of a system for providing easy access to information distributed across high-speed networks spanning thousands of miles. The results of the initial project will be used to predict the behavior of such a system for millions of potential users.

The information sharing is based on a "distributed file system." Such a system allows a computer user to use information across the country in the same way as that on his own computer. The experiment employs Transarc's AFS(R) 3.0 distributed file system software, which will be run at the 40 sites to be studied over the two-year period. These installations include sites that are currently collaborating on DARPA-funded research projects. The effects of the Wide Area File System on such "focus projects" will be examined.

The sites will use the Wide Area File System as a new method of communication and information sharing. It is expected that the effort and cost associated with joint work by collaborators at distant locations will be greatly reduced, while the quality of resulting work will be enhanced. State-of-the-art security mechanisms are included in AFS to ensure that

data is appropriately protected.

"Easy sharing of information over wide-area networks is a capability that researchers have needed for a long time," said Maj. Brian Boesch, program area manager for distributed and parallel systems at DARPA. "This project offers a new direction for national network services and will provide insight into the nature of the information sharing we will experience over the next decades."

Transarc Corp. provides advanced systems software for local- and wide-area networks of distributed computers. Transarc also is developing transaction processing software to enable commercial computing on UNIX.

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#90218p2412 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CONN. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Three Bond Co. Ltd. of Japan and Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc. (UCC&P) today announced formation of a joint venture to provide parylene coating service in Japan.

"This joint venture will enable us to strengthen our position in providing worldwide coating service," said Eugene J. Boros, vice president and general manager of UCC&P's Specialty Chemicals Division. Parylene is the generic name for a unique polymer series developed by Union Carbide. "Parylene is a conformal polymer that can be used to uniformly protect any component configuration -- sharp edges, points, flat surfaces, crevices and exposed internal surfaces." Some of the uses of these conformal coatings are in circuit boards, transducers and sensors, microelectronics, digital display systems and particle immobilization and encapsulation.

Headquartered in Tokyo, Three Bond is active in many areas of research and development, including conformal coating systems. Other areas of its R&D relate to electronics, and the automotive and construction industries.

UCC&P, a wholly owned subsidiary of Union Carbide Corporation (NYSE: UK), is a leading diversified chemical company manufacturing a wide range of basic and specialized chemicals and plastics sold throughout the world. UCC&P's wholly owned subsidiary, Nova Tran Corporation of Clear Lake, Wis. is the recognized leader in the custom application of parylene coating.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Alamo Rent A Car announced today that it has made a five year commitment to sponsor Florida's first-ever student film competition to be called "The Alamo Film Competition For Florida Students," under the auspices of The Broward County Film Society, presenter of The Greater Fort Lauderdale Film Festival.

Alamo will be recognizing the film talents of students currently enrolled in Florida universities, colleges and high schools. During the Greater Fort Lauderdale Film Festival, Nov. 1-10, 1990, Alamo will award a $1,000 cash prize in a total of five categories (Narrative, Documentary, Public Service Announcement, Music Video and Screenwriting) for a total of $5,000.

"Because film will play a key role in Florida's future, Alamo is committed to supporting Florida's students of film and the film industry as a whole " said Charles D. Platt, Alamo president and chief operating officer. "We wholeheartedly lend our corporate support to nurture the next generation of talented Florida film-makers so that they can receive the exposure and recognition they need for the successful start of their careers."

According to Alamo Public Affairs Director Liz Clark, Alamo chose to support young Florida filmmakers because the company believes "that the film competition will have a major impact not only on Florida's cultural climate but also on its commerce.

"By the year 2000, there will be 21,000 new film jobs in the state. Florida has come from virtual obscurity to being the third leading film capitol in the nation," said Clark.

"We have great hopes for the competition in the next five years," continued Clark. "We think it will encourage those who have budding talent in the field of film and help expand the state's lucrative film industry."

Alamo Rent A Car, the largest independently owned and operated car rental company in the nation, is headquartered in Fort Lauderdale and has taken an active role in supporting community services since its incorporation in 1974.

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STERLING HEIGHTS, MI (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - McClain Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: MCCL) today announced sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 ended June 30, 1990, were $7,480,000 compared to $7,980,000 for the same quarter a year earlier. Net income was $230,000 or $.08 a share compared to $51,000 or $.02 a share for the same quarter a year earlier.

Sales for the nine months ended June 30, 1990, were $22,776,000 compared to $22,790,000 a year earlier. Net income was $606,000 or $.20 a share compared to a loss of $127,000 or $.04 a share during the prior year. Net income for the three months and nine months ended June 30, 1989, have been restated for inventory write-downs at the year ended Sept. 30, 1989.

"The cost controls put in place during the second quarter are working and will have positive effects on manufacturing costs. Our primary goal is to expand our sales and marketing efforts," said Kenneth D. McClain, president and chief executive officer.

McClain Industries is one of the nation's leading manufacturers of solid waste handling equipment for the waste disposal industry.

MCCLAIN INDUSTRIES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(UNAUDITED)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Nine Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$7,480,216	$7,979,797	$22,776,228	$22,790,030
Cost of sales	5,553,276	6,451,562	17,201,362	19,033,345
Gross profit	1,926,940	1,528,235	5,574,866	3,756,685
Selling, general & admin. expenses	1,389,675	1,224,876	4,287,488	3,471,288
Operating income	537,265	303,359	1,287,378	285,397
Other income (expense)	(196,656)	(227,849)	(381,502)	(477,037)
Income before income taxes	340,609	75,510	905,876	(191,640)
Prov. income tax	111,000	25,000	300,000	(65,000)
Net income	$229,609	$50,510	$605,876	($126,640)
Income per share	$.08	$.02	$.20	($.04)
Shares outstdg.	3,048,616	3,048,616	3,048,616	3,048,616

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#90218p2418 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
BLUE BELL, PA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Healthcare (NASDAQ-NMS: USHC), a leading operator of health maintenance organizations (HMOs), recently launched a new advertising campaign, according to Larry Alten, the company's vice president of advertising.

The campaign, designed to enhance the organization's commitment to service and concern for its members, uses a "soft-sell" approach, relying on communicating feelings over words to convey its message.

The 60- and 70-second television spots began airing in June, primarily in East Coast markets, such as New York, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts. Each commercial revolves around a universal sentiment featuring music familiar to many Americans.

For example, the first commercial in the series depicts a summer wedding focusing on the bride and her young bridesmaids. In the background, the song "Thank Heaven for Little Girls" is playing with no voice-over other than the artist singing.

"The message is simple, low-key and reflects the image that U.S. Healthcare embodies - that of a sensitive, caring organization whose whole aim is to enrich the lives of its members," Alten said.

In addition to the television spots, the campaign includes sky typing and aerial banners, a new series of radio ads featuring the Dick Orkin Radio Ranch characters, and print ads depicting Norman Rockwell scenes. Later in the year, U.S. Healthcare plans to introduce five new radio commercials, as well as additional television spots.

U.S. Healthcare Inc. is one of the nation's leading operators of federally qualified health maintenance organizations. Founded in 1976, the organization has more than 1 million members in the Mid-Atlantic, Greater New York and New England marketplaces.

U.S. Healthcare is dedicated to providing quality health services to its members while aggressively seeking solutions to the spiraling costs facing the health care system.

CONTACT: Dava Guerin of Weightman Public Relations, (215) 561-6100, or at home, (215) 635-5985, for U.S. Healthcare.

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#90218p2419 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
FORT WAYNE, IN (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Lincoln Foodservice Products, Inc. (NASDAQ: LINN) today announced operating results for the second quarter

and first half ended June 30, 1990.

Second quarter net loss was $53,000, or $.02 per share, compared to net income of $245,000, or $.07 per share, last year. The loss reflects a write-off of $391,000 before tax, or $.08 per share after taxes, of Lincoln's investment in Bay-Lea Industries Limited. Excluding the write-off, Lincoln's net income for the second quarter would have been approximately $190,000, or $.06 per share. Sales for the three-month period ended June 30, 1990 were $10,872,000 compared to $11,430,000 for the same period in 1989.

For the first six months of 1990, Lincoln's net loss was $11,000, or $.00 per share, compared to 1989 first half net income of $480,000, or $.15 per share. The 1990 net loss includes accounting losses totalling $458,000 before tax, or $.10 per share after taxes, resulting from the Bay-Lea investment. Excluding the accounting losses, Lincoln's net income for the first six months would have been approximately $327,000, or $.10 per share. Sales for the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 were $21,968,000 and $23,180,000, respectively.

The decision to write off the investment in Bay-Lea was made pursuant to a reorganization of Bay-Lea's operations in accordance with Canadian law. After a careful review of the resulting organization, in which Lincoln's 32.5 percent investment was converted to a Class B preferred stock, Lincoln's management determined that the value of Bay- Lea's assets was insufficient to support the book value of Lincoln's preferred stock investment.

Commenting on sales, Thomas C. Griffith, chairman and chief executive officer noted, "Second quarter supply sales were down three percent compared to the record sales achieved by some lines during the second quarter of 1989. Equipment sales were also lower during the three-month period primarily due to lower sales in the mature Galley(R) and Impinger(R) product lines."

"We note that, excluding a one-time $1,000,000 purchase of pizza pans in the first half of 1989, six-month sales comparisons indicate a stable customer base," Griffith noted.

Griffith continued, "Despite our slightly lower sales and disappointing income results, we are encouraged that our gross profit margins continued to improve. Decreased aluminum costs and increased sales of higher margin products have established this trend, which should gather additional momentum when two new Impinger(R) oven models become available in late 1990."

"As expected, 1990 sales will probably be slightly lower than 1989 levels, but we believe that real growth opportunities for Lincoln do exist. Our

two new ovens will give us a complete air-impingement cooking line, and the constantly changing foodservice industry continues to open new gateways for Lincoln products," commented Griffith.

Special Committee, Investment Bank Study Ongoing "The special committee of Lincoln's board of directors is continuing its study of strategic financial alternatives and transactions to enhance Lincoln's stock value," continued Griffith. "Options under consideration include the possible repurchase of all or part of Lincoln's stock and the sale of all or part of the business."

As previously announced, the special committee has retained Bowles Hollowell Connor, an investment banking firm based in Charlotte, N.C., to assist in the study.

Lincoln Foodservice Products, Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets commercial and institutional foodservice cooking equipment and utensils. The company, which produces Impinger(R) conveyor ovens, Steam'r Oven(R) combi-cookers, Wear-Ever(R) and Centurion(R) foodservice utensils, Redco(R) food slicers, cutters, and wedgers, Galley(R) food serving equipment, and Fresh-O-Matic(R) food warmers, markets its products internationally through its own sales force and a network of 1,500 distributors worldwide.

LINCOLN FOODSERVICE PRODUCTS, INC.
Selected Financial Data -- (Unaudited)
($ in 000's, except per share data)

Periods ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$10,872	$11,430	$21,968	$23,180
Pre-tax income	(84)	398	(16)	781
Income taxes	(31)	153	(05)	301
Net income	(53)(A)	245	(11)(B)	480
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,294,000	3,285,000	3,294,000	3,283,000
Net income per share	$ (.02)(A)	$ .07	--(B)	$ .15

(A) -- Includes a write-off of $391,000 before tax, or approximately $.08 per share after taxes, of Lincoln's equity investment in Bay-Lea Industries Limited. Excluding the write-off, Lincoln's net income for the second quarter would have been approximately $190,000, or $.06 per share.

(B) -- Includes a write-off and operating losses (accounting losses) totalling $458,000, or $.10 per share after taxes, associated with Lincoln's investment in Bay-Lea Industries Limited. Excluding the accounting losses, Lincoln's net income for the six-months would have been approximately $327,000, or $.10 per share.

CONTACT: Thomas C. Griffith, chairman and CEO of Lincoln Foodservice Products, 219-432-9511.

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#90218p2423 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Cellmark Diagnostics, a business unit of ICI, located in Abingdon, Oxfordshire, England, has been awarded three quality standards for its pioneering DNA fingerprinting techniques. Cellmark is the first business of its kind to be recognized by these awards.

Cellmark received the British Quality Standard (BS 5750), the European Standard (EN 29002) and the International Standard (ISO 9002) after an objective audit of the business by external quality assessors.

"We are particularly pleased to receive this external confirmation of the total quality of Cellmark's operations, particularly in light of recent concern over the accuracy of DNA fingerprinting tests carried out by some other laboratories," said Philip Webb, general manager, Cellmark Diagnostics.

"This is the official hallmark of quality. Although there is no universal regulation which requires a specified level of quality in DNA fingerprinting, we have always thought it was important to work to an established and definitive standard."

DNA fingerprinting is used to identify individuals and their relatedness to others with a very high degree of accuracy. Paternity testing accounts for around 90 percent of Cellmark's business in the United Kingdom, with forensic requests comprising the other ten percent. The company's tests have been used by the British Home Office for forensic testing since 1988.

Cellmark performs two types of tests to ensure the highest degree of accuracy is achieved. The first multi-locus test produces a DNA fingerprint which resembles a supermarket bar-code, with each bar giving information about the subject's identity.

The second, single-locus test scrutinizes just two of the bars more closely. Seven different tests are used to analyze each paternity case. In addition, in order to guard against mistakes in the laboratory, crucial stages of the process are double checked by a second scientist. These quality control procedures are also employed by Cellmark Diagnostics' sister laboratory located in Germantown, Md.

In the future, the analytical procedures employed in the fingerprinting techniques may be used to screen for the defective genes which are associated with certain genetic diseases.

The Cellmark Diagnostics facility in Abingdon was set up in 1987 and around 1,000 tests were performed in that year. Today the company employs around 50 people and in 1990 around 15,000 samples will be processed. The company received the Queen's award for Technological Achievement in April this year.

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#90218p2447 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Now international travelers and Security Pacific customers can put their extra rubles, deutsche marks, francs, pesetas, etc., to good use by depositing spare currency into special Red Cross of America fund-raising containers at Sea-Tac airport and select bank branches, the bank said today.

The fund-raising effort, called "Global Change," was developed by a Leadership Tomorrow team, and modeled after a similar program implemented in Washington, D.C., by Virgin Atlantic Airways. Leadership Tomorrow is a nine-month leadership training program co-sponsored by United Way of King County and the Greater Seattle Chamber of Commerce.

William Glassford, Leadership Tomorrow team member and senior vice president and manager of Security Pacific Bancorporation Northwest's International Division, said that most of the approximately 1.5 million people who arrive and depart on international flights at Sea-Tac carry some change or currency that, because of its small denomination, cannot be exchanged through banks.

"That's where the 'Global Change' containers come in handy," said Glassford. "We believe that travelers will welcome the chance to lighten their pockets and put their excess foreign currency to excellent use."

The American Red Cross will use the currency for disaster relief and programs directed at promoting international understanding and cooperation. The foreign money will be converted into U.S. currency for the American Red Cross by Security Pacific.

Glassford said that any business that would like to have a "Global Change" container should contact the American Red Cross. Security Pacific installed its containers into the branches that have historically handled a larger amount of foreign currency transactions (Seattle Main, University, Bellevue, Tacoma, Olympia and Sea-Tac branches). Sea-Tac's "Global Change" containers are located at international arrival and baggage claim areas.

"We hope that this effort not only raises much-needed funds for the

American Red Cross," said Glassford, "but that it also promotes worldwide humanitarianism."

In addition to Glassford, the following individuals participated in the Leadership Tomorrow "Global Change" project: Cecile Andrews, director of Continuing Education, North Seattle Community College; Karl Kirn, customer service manager, Puget Sound Power and Light; Richard D. Reed, Law Offices of Richard D. Reed; Randolph J. Punley, program manager, United Way of King County; Candace Ismael, procurement manager, The Boeing Co.

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#90218p2450 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Amdura Corp. (NYSE: ADU) and Our Own Hardware today announced that they have concluded a definitive agreement under which Our Own would purchase assets of Amdura's subsidiary, Amdura National Distribution Co. (ANDCO).

The definitive agreement has been submitted to the Bankruptcy Court for review. The all-cash transaction is subject to various closing conditions and Bankruptcy Court approval. Under the terms of the agreement, Our Own would acquire ANDCO's inventory and its distribution center in Milbank, S.D.

The Trustworthy program, currently supported by ANDCO, would be continued by Our Own, allowing the independently-owned Trustworthy stores to continue operating, without changing their identification. Our Own will also continue programs that support ANDCO's other customers.

Our Own expects to retain the distribution center employees and to hire some of ANDCO's office and field personnel when the agreement closes. As part of its integration efforts, Our Own plans to consolidate its Burnsville distribution center into Milbank, affecting about 65 Our Own employees. Headquarters for Our Own will remain in Burnsville.

As a result of ANDCO's being in bankruptcy, the agreement will be subject to a minimum 20-day Court review process, during which other interested parties may submit "higher or better" bids. The sale requires Court approval.

Amdura and Amdura National Distribution Co. filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code on April 2, 1990. Amdura announced that it would solicit bids for its distribution businesses on April 16, 1990. Our Own Hardware is a Minneapolis-based, dealer-owned hardware cooperative.

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#90218p2452 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAKLAND, CALIF. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Peter A. Magowan, chairman, president and CEO of Safeway Inc. (NYSE: SWY), announced today that Safeway will offer a new stock option program to more than 3,000 employees throughout the company. In addition, the firm also plans to install a payroll deduction system whereby employees at all levels can buy Safeway stock commission-free, and is adding a feature to its 401(k) plan enabling participants to direct their pre-tax savings into Safeway shares.

"Safeway considers broad employee ownership of its shares a key to its long-term success," Magowan said. "As long-term owners, with a more direct financial interest in the company's performance, we are confident that our employees will help us attain our goals. This program takes the principle of employee ownership that began when Safeway went private in 1986 further into the organization."

The plan announced today is a major step that was made possible, in part, by Safeway recently once again becoming a publicly traded company. The broad-based nature of this plan makes it unique in the supermarket industry and will enable Safeway to continue to recruit and develop top-quality employees. Participation in the new stock option plan is concentrated at store manager and assistant store manager levels.

The payroll deduction system will allow all Safeway employees to purchase Safeway stock at the market price, commission-free. In another action, Safeway will be adding a Safeway stock purchase option for those employees who participate in its 401(k) retirement plan.

Vesting for the stock option grants now being made will span a seven-year period to encourage a long-term focus. The payroll deduction and 401(k) features will be implemented in October.

Safeway is one of the world's largest food retailers, operating more than 1,100 supermarkets primarily in the western United States, western Canada and the mid-Atlantic states.

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#90218p2453 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CYPRESS, CA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - PacifiCare Health Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: PHSY) reported today that revenues for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990 increased 40 percent to $251,850,000 compared to revenues of

$179,659,000 in the third quarter last year.

Earnings for the third quarter this year were $4,874,000, or $0.41 per share, an increase of 34 percent over last year when the company reported earnings of $3,629,000, or $0.32 per share.

"Increased membership, revenues and earnings highlight another period of dynamic growth for PacifiCare," said Terry Hartshorn, president and chief executive officer. "Total membership increased 29 percent to 659,686 compared to a year ago.

"Lower hospital costs due to improved utilization in our commercial programs helped to reduce total health care expenses as a percentage of premium revenue. Offsetting this savings was an increase in marketing and administrative expenses, due primarily to increases in advertising as well as additional staffing to serve our expanded membership."

For the first nine months of fiscal 1990, operating revenues were up 53 percent to $703,034,000 over the comparable period last year. Net income for the same period was $11,722,00, or $0.99 per share, a 73 percent increase over the nine month results reported in 1989. Included in the current nine month results is the gain on the sale of the Austin, Texas operations of $0.09 per share, which was reported during the first quarter.

PacifiCare owns and operates HMOs in five states including California, Oregon, Oklahoma, Texas and Washington, and an insurance subsidiary licensed in 33 states. The company also provides independent utilization review services. In fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1989, it posted record net earnings of $10.9 million on revenues of $650.2 million.

CONTACT: Wayne Lowell, CFO, or David Erickson, 714-952,1121, both of PacifiCare Health Systems Inc.

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#90218p2454 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

KINSTON, N.C. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Hampton Industries, Inc. (AMEX: HAI) reported that sales for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 totaled $29,782,000 as compared to $39,583,000 for the same period last year. The Company had a loss of $1,404,000, or $.37 per share, for the quarter as compared to net earnings of $703,000 or $.18 per share in 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, sales totaled $64,467,000 as compared to sales of $79,747,000 in 1989. The Company had a loss of $1,912,000, or $.50 per share, for the period as compared to net earnings of $2,322,000, or $.59 per share last year.

Mr. David Fuchs, Chairman and Chief Executive of Hampton stated that the

softness of current market conditions combined with the retailers efforts to decrease in-store inventories had the effect of reducing sales volume and increasing the Company's inventory levels. The reduced production levels during the quarter continued to affect profit margins. He also indicated that the Company's advance bookings of orders decreased to $95,400,000 from $107,900,000 as of this date last year. However, orders calling for shipment during the period of August through December are slightly greater during the current year than in 1989.

It is anticipated that, barring any unforeseen developments, the Company expects to return to profitability in the third quarter of 1990.

	Thirteen Weeks Ended	
	June 30, 1990	July 1, 1989
Net sales	$ 29,782,000	$ 39,583,000
Net (loss) earnings	$(1,404,000)	$ 703,000
(Loss) earnings per share	$ (.37)	$ .18

	Twenty-six Weeks Ended	
	June 30, 1990	July 1, 1989
Net sales	$ 64,467,000	$ 79,747,000
Net (loss) earnings	$ (1,912,000)	$ 2,322,000
(Loss) earnings per share	$ (.50)	$ .59

CONTACT: David Fuchs, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Hampton Industries, Inc., 212-563-1010

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#90218p2455 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, NY (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Barrister Information Systems Corporation (AMEX: BIS) today reported a net loss of $265,000, or $.09 per share compared to a net loss of $1,574,000 or $.52 per share for the first quarter last year. Total revenue for the quarter was $7,424,000 compared to $7,496,000 last year. Microcomputer system sales continued to show strong growth increasing to $1,590,000 from $866,000 for the same period last year. Service revenues for the quarter increased approximately 5 percent to $4,296,000 as compared to $4,101,000 last year.

While total revenues were approximately even for the comparable quarters, a significant reduction in the amount of loss incurred was principally achieved as a result of reductions in both salary and operating expenses.

Henry P. Semmelhack, president of Barrister, stated that earnings were affected by lower margins associated with the sale of the company's IBM(R)

AS/400(TM) minicomputer and microcomputer products.

"Although we did not return to profitability in this quarter, we are encouraged by the company's overall financial progress. In the first quarter, our hardware service organization successfully initiated a program to provide maintenance services for non-Barrister products and for clients who have not purchased Barrister equipment. It is anticipated that these new revenue sources will contribute to growth in our services business and will offset the anticipated impact on maintenance service revenues resulting from the market's continuing movement to personal computers and LANS," Semmelhack said.

"Software services revenues were strong in the first quarter because of increased installation and training activity for LAN and mini- computer installations." Semmelhack also said.

In the first quarter, the company arranged for $795,000 of additional working capital in the form of a subordinated debenture private placement which was completed on July 3, 1990.

Barrister is a leading supplier of office automation products and services to the legal profession.

CONTACT: Richard P. Beyer, vice president-finance of Barrister Information Systems Corporation, 716-845-5010

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#90218p2456 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - GE Capital today announced it has completed the purchase of 100 percent of the capital stock of LeaseAmerica a wholly owned subsidiary of Aegon USA, Inc. Aegon USA is a diversified financial services company whose parent, Aegon NV (NASDAQ: AEGNY), is headquartered in the Netherlands. Financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

LeaseAmerica, with earning assets of more than $400 million, provides lease financing programs primarily to dealers of office equipment and health care products. Headquartered in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, LeaseAmerica's 200 employees will continue to service more than 1,000 dealers nationwide.

Thomas Mann, general manager of GE Capital Vendor Equipment Financing, said, "The acquisition of LeaseAmerica furthers GE Capital's strategy of leadership in selected financial services niches, and, in particular, supports our commitment to expand our leasing and finance programs to equipment dealers." LeaseAmerica will be part of GE Capital Vendor Equipment Financing, leader in customer leasing and finance programs to equipment manufacturers and dealers.

Tony Golobic, president and chief executive of LeaseAmerica Corporation, stated, "I am very excited about our new association with GE Capital, which will provide us with substantial additional resources for growth, to better serve our customers and enhance our leadership role in our market segments."

GE Capital, headquartered in Stamford, is one of the nation's largest diversified financial services companies with assets of $58.7 billion.

CONTACT: Virginia Steinberg of GE Capital, (203) 357-4489.

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#90218p2461 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENSBORO, NC (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Directors of Jefferson-Pilot Corp. (NYSE: JP) Monday declared a quarterly cash dividend in the amount of $.38 per share payable September 7, 1990, to shareholders of record August 17, 1990.

The Corporation announced its net income for the second quarter of 1990 was $38,057,000, or $1.06 per share, compared to $31,698,000, or $.84 per share, for the second quarter of 1989. Earnings for the six months ended June 30, 1990 were $77,144,000, or $2.11 per share, versus $65,840,000, or $1.74 per share, for the first six months of 1989.

The second quarter of 1990's earnings included $3,215,000, or $.09 per share, of gain from sales of investments net of income taxes, compared to $713,000, or $.02 per share, for the second quarter of 1989. This year's first half earnings included $6,894,000, or $.18 per share, of gain from sales of investments net of income taxes compared to $8,719,000, or $.23 per share, for the first six months of 1989.

The average number of shares outstanding for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 was 35,932,697, compared to 37,740,528 for the same period last year. The average number of shares outstanding for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was 36,485,325, compared to 37,919,545 for the first six months of last year.

CONTACT: John Still of Jefferson-Pilot Corp., 919-691-3382

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#90218p2463 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, GA. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Total System Services Inc. (NYSE: TSS) today announced the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend of $.07 per share to be paid to shareholders of record, Sept. 24, payable on Oct. 1, 1990.

Total System Services Inc. stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "TSS."

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#90218p2464 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Aileen, Inc. (NYSE: AEE), a manufacturer and retailer of women's apparel, today announced that the company, which concluded its third fiscal quarter of July 28, expected to show net profits in the range of approximately $1,500,000 to $2,000,000 for the third quarter, reversing the net loss of $568,000 for the 26 weeks ended April 28, 1990. The anticipated profit compares to a net loss of $1,319,000 for the third quarter of the prior year. In the fiscal year ended Oct. 28, 1989, the company suffered a net loss of $5,492,000.

The improved results, in the face of reduced wholesale activities, reflect an increase of 17 percent in retail stores sales for the quarter over the prior year. These increased sales were generated with 23 fewer stores than were open in last year's third quarter.

Abe Oberlin, chairman of the board and president, attributed the dramatic turnaround to the success of the previously announced restructuring program, which has simplified and reduced the cost of manufacturing operations, shrunk inventories and enabled the company to dispose of excess plant, machinery and equipment. The improved results also reflect the introduction of a "soft career dressing" line, which complements the traditional activewear and playwear lines. "The broader selection available to customers has received a remarkable response and enhanced profits by substantially reducing retail markdowns," according to Oberlin.

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PEAPACK, NJ (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Fedders Corporation (NYSE: FJQ) today announced it no longer expects to reach its anticipated 1990 sales volume, due to unseasonably cool spring and summer weather. The company did not project sales for the balance of 1990. Sales in the first half of 1990 totaled $216 million.

Last October, Chief Executive Officer Sal Giordano Jr. had forecast sales of room air conditioners to exceed $415 million in 1990, assuming normal weather. Giordano noted today, "Into early August, there has not been the

sustained high heat this year that is required to generate strong sales of room air conditioners in the key markets of the Northeast and upper Midwest."

Room air conditioner industry shipments in 1991 normally would decline due to 1990's cool weather, if retailers have a large carryover of inventory. Giordano said, "However, completion of Fedders' recently announced plans to acquire Emerson Quiet Kool will enable us to show a good sales gain in 1991."

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LONDON (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Burmah Castrol plc (NASDAQ: BURMY) announced today that it has sold for immediate settlement 139.9 million shares in Premier Consolidated Oilfields plc, amounting to 29.7 percent of Premier's issued share capital.

The net proceeds of the disposal will amount to approximately 138 million pounds sterling, compared with the 60 million pounds at which the holding is recorded in Burmah Castrol's accounts, giving an extraordinary gain of some 78 million pounds. It is anticipated that the tax attributable to the disposal will not be significant. In the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, the amount of Premier's profits before tax attributable to the shares sold and included in Burmah Castrol's consolidated profits before tax, was 1.5 million pounds.

While remaining confident in Premier's long term prospects, Burmah Castrol wishes to concentrate its resources on the international marketing of specialized oil and chemical products. The disposal is in line with this strategy and the proceeds will be applied to Burmah Castrol's ongoing investment program, which is aimed at expanding the company's manufacturing, distribution, and research and development facilities.

Burmah Castrol plc is a leading international marketer of specialized oil and chemical products. It is also a major transporter of liquefied natural gas through its partnership with Mitsui OSK Lines, and has a number of energy investments in Pakistan. Burmah Castrol's net profit in 1989 was 95.5 million pounds ($156.6 million).

Burmah Castrol exchanged its U.K., U.S. and Columbian oil and gas exploration and production interests for a 25 percent stake in Premier on July 1, 1986.

Burmah Castrol's initial holding (72,243,679 shares) was increased by Premier's subsequent annual 1:10 capitalization issues and, in January

1989, by its purchase of almost 20 million additional shares, which brought its stake to just below 30 percent.

CONTACT: James Alexander of Burmah Castrol, 011-44-793-511-521; or Jeff Zilka or Stuart Carlisle of Dewe Rogerson Inc. 212-688-6840, for Burmah Castrol.

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WAYNE, PA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Orthopedic Services, Inc. ("OSI"), announced today that its common stock is scheduled to begin trading on the NASDAQ National Market on Tuesday, Aug. 7. The stock will trade under the symbol OSII.

Chairman John H. Foster noted that OSI's entry into the NASDAQ National Market provides brokers and others with immediate access to the best bid and ask prices and other information about the company's shares throughout the trading day.

Those prices are available on more than 190,000 electronic terminals in broker's offices throughout the United States and the free world. Trading data is also distributed widely through wire services for selective dissemination by newspapers, radio, and television stations.

OSI, which completed a $55 million initial public offering in July 1990, recently reported record revenues of $8,788,000 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, an increase of 51 percent over the second quarter 1989.

OSI is the largest provider of patient care services in the orthotic and prosthetic rehabilitation segment of the healthcare services industry. OSI currently provides services through 53 patient care centers in 12 states.

CONTACT: Alan Vinick, CFO of Orthopedic Services, (215) 687-8080; or Susan A. Noonan of Noonan/Russo Communications, (212) 979-9180, for Orthopedic Services.

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#90218p2469 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S) and the Dean Witter Financial Services Group today announced that Sears' indirect wholly owned subsidiary, Discover Receivables Financing Corp. filed today with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement for the issuance and sale of $500 million of Discover Card Trust 1990 C credit account pass-through certificates through an underwriting syndicate to be managed by Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. and Salomon Brothers Inc.

The principal asset of Discover Card Trust 1990 C will consist of credit card receivables generated or to be generated by the Discover Card. The certificates will represent undivided ownership interests in the trust.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

A copy of the prospectus, when available, may be obtained from Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., 2 World Trade Center, New York, N.Y. 10048 or Salomon Brothers Inc., Prospectus Department, Two New York Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10004.

CONTACT: Douglas A. Fairweather of Sears Department 903, 312-875-7079

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#90218p2471 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

VIENNA, VA. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - GRC International (NYSE: GRH) announced today that an industry team which includes its subsidiaries, SWL Inc. and General Research Corporation (GRC), has been awarded a contract by the U.S. Navy's Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR), which is expected to cover a five-year period and result in total funding of up to $120 million.

The industry team, led by SWL, Inc., includes GRC, Atlantic Research Corporation, Ball Aerospace (Ball Systems Engineering Division), DCS Corporation, and MAR, Incorporated.

Under the contract, systems engineering and acquisition support will be provided on several SPAWAR activities within the Space and Sensors Systems Program Directorate (PD40). The contract is for an initial one- year $24 million effort with four additional option years of up to $24 million each.

For the GRC International companies, this contract largely replaces contracts that are expiring so that future levels of funding are expected to be similar to the past. The actual levels of contract funding will depend on annual Navy budgeting decisions.

CONTACT: Philip R. Pietras, (acting) CFO of GRC International, 703-506-5060

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Lawrence A. Marsiello has been appointed president of the CIT Group/factoring, one of the nation's largest operations, with annual volume over $7 billion and finance receivables of approximately $1 billion.

The appointment of Marsiello, 40, who reports to Frank Basile, chairman of CIT's factoring operations, was announced today by Albert R. Gamper Jr., president and CEO of the CIT Group.

Marsiello had been executive vice president of CIT's business credit unit, offering acquisition and debt restructuring financing, with responsibilities that included field offices in Atlanta, Dallas, Chicago and Los Angeles.

CIT's factoring unit is a leader in the industry serving the retail, apparel, textile and furniture industries. In addition to its New York headquarters, CIT has major factoring offices in Los Angeles, Charlotte, North Carolina, and Atlanta.

"Larry Marsiello is a seasoned credit executive with experience in lending and servicing clients," said Gamper. "His knowledge of the market includes financing to retailers, and to manufacturers of carpets, clothing and leather goods. Larry has managed difficult situations and is a person who can make a deal and be creative in new business development. These talents are important in our drive to build volume and grow our factoring operations."

Marsiello has worked in various credit administration and new business posts for 16 years. He joined Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. in 1974 and was brought into commercial finance by Basile the following year. Moving quickly into Manufacturers Hanover Commercial Corporation, where he was national new business manager, Marsiello in 1984 became the first Manufacturers Hanover Corporation line officer to move into the then recently acquired CIT.

Marsiello is a graduate of St. Francis College and holds a master's degree in finance from Pace University.

Marsiello is married, has two children, and lives in Fort Salonga, N.Y. The CIT Group is 60 percent owned by Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank, Ltd., and 40 percent owned by Manufacturers Hanover Corporation (NYSE: MHC).

The CIT Group provides business in the United States with flexible funding alternatives and financial advisory services. A leader in secured business lending, the company consists of six strategically focused operating units including business credit, capital financing, equipment and project financing, factoring, industrial financing, and sales financing. The CIT Group was founded in 1908.

CONTACT: Lawrence J. Everling of the CIT Group, 201-740-5239

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#90218p2473 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONROE, Mich. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - At La-Z-Boy Chair Company's (NYSE: LZB) annual meeting today, Charles T. Knabusch, chairman of the board and president, told shareholders that first-quarter earnings would be below those of the first quarter a year ago.

While first-quarter financial results will not be finalized and available for release until the week of Aug. 20, Knabusch said preliminary indications are that the company will be profitable, but well below the $.13 per share reported for the prior-year quarter.

"Several factors contributed to projected lower first-quarter 1990 earnings," Knabusch said, "including lower industry sales, higher costs from expanding capacity, abnormally high expense during the shutdown period to repair and modify manufacturing operations, and poor performance from several casegood operations, due to productivity losses and cost incurred in making major modifications to finishing lines."

First-quarter operations ending in July normally account for less than 15 percent of La-Z-Boy's annual earnings due to the seasonal nature of the furniture industry and scheduled plant closings for vacations.

"Sales and earnings should improve over the next three quarters compared to the prior-year period," Knabusch said, "but unless there is marked improvement in the economy and industry sales, we do not believe La-Z-Boy's year-end results for 1991 will match those of 1990." For the year ended April 1990, La-Z-Boy reported sales of $592 million and net income of $28.3 million ($1.58 per share).

In other business, shareholders re-elected as directors Knabusch, John F. Weaver and Warren W. Gruber. A proposal to authorize the issuance of up to 5 million shares of preferred stock was also passed.

La-Z-Boy is the leading manufacturer of reclining or motion chairs and the largest manufacturer of upholstered furniture in the United States. The company operates 19 plants throughout the United States located in Mississippi, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Missouri, Arkansas

Michigan, Utah and California. The company markets its products through five furniture manufacturing companies: La-Z-Boy, Burris, Kincaid, Hammery and RoseJohnson.

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#90218p2475 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - After a two-year break, Home Savings of America in Los Angeles regained the title of top residential mortgage producer during the first half of 1990, Inside Mortgage Finance announced today in releasing its ranking of lenders.

Meanwhile, consolidation appears to be accelerating this year. The top 20 mortgage lenders in the first six months of 1990 accounted for an estimated one-third of all new one-to-four family originations. Last year the top 20 lenders had about a 28 percent market share.

Inside Mortgage Finance, an independent weekly newsletter that tracks trends and developments in the mortgage market, released its ranking of the top 20 residential mortgage originators for the first part of 1990 in its most recent issue.

Importantly, more than half of the top 20 lenders reported increases in mortgage originations during the first half of 1990. This was no easy feat given the current soft real estate markets in most parts of the country and the fact that mortgage originations overall have not grown this year.

As the table below shows, there has been a considerable amount of movement -- both up and down -- in the ranks of top mortgage lenders this year. Home Savings climbed from third place in 1989 to first place in the first half of 1990 by virtue of a huge $6.9 billion in originations. The last time Home Savings was the largest lender was 1988.

The Fleet/Norstar Financial Group based in Rhode Island jumped from fourth place in 1989 to second place in early 1990 with an impressive $6.7 billion in mortgage volume. The Fleet group, which has been increasing its mortgage originations by leaps and bounds over the past several years, posted one of the largest increases -- 76 percent -- of any top 20 lender in the first half.

Although Citicorp Mortgage in St. Louis, the top mortgage producer in 1989 would not disclose its residential originations for the first half of 1990, industry "guesstimates" place its volume at about $5 billion. This would rank Citicorp and its affiliates number four among lenders -- a noticeable drop for the firm compared to recent years.

Rounding out the top five mortgage originators in the first half of 1990 was San Francisco-based Bank of America. With a healthy 67 percent increase in mortgage originations during the first six months of the year, Bank of America reported $3.7 billion in volume. This enabled Bank of America to climb from ninth place for all of 1989 to fifth place in early 1990.

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#90218p2476 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, VA. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - BDM International, Inc. today announced the receipt of an Air Force contract valued at up to $70 million over a five-year period.

The contract calls for a wide range of support to the Ogden, Utah, Air Logistics Center (ALC) and other ALCs to assist the ALCs in meeting structured goals and objectives for improved reliability and maintainability of Air Force weapons systems and support equipment. The award for the contract, known as Design Engineering Program Phase II, was announced by BDM President Earle C. Williams. The work will be performed by BDM's Advanced Manufacturing and Data Systems Division in Albuquerque, N.M.

Corporate Vice President Michael G. Semmens said: "BDM will be primarily responsible for studies, design engineering, and prototyping to find better ways of building systems and equipment to replace those that do not meet operational goals. We will identify reasons for failures, redesign the items, build prototypes, and assist the Air Force in procuring improved parts and equipment."

The work to be performed will primarily involve items in four Federal Stock Groups (FSG). These include FSG-13, Ammunition and Explosives; FSG-14, Guided Missiles; FSG-15, Airframes; and FSG-69, Trainers and Simulators.

"We are very proud to be part of this vital Air Force program to improve the reliability and maintainability of its systems, thus improving readiness and strengthening the Air Force's ability to meet its mission requirements," said Semmens. BDM is already at work on a $500,000 task for the Sacramento, Calif., ALC.

BDM International, Inc., a Ford Aerospace company, provides diversified professional and technical services to government and private sector clients in national defense and security, communications, energy,

logistics, space, information systems, manufacturing technology, systems integration, and certain other areas.

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DETROIT (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The General Motors board of directors voted to continue the current dividends on all three classes of GM common stock for the third quarter of 1990.

Holders of GM's $1-2/3 par value common stock will receive $0.75 per share; those owning Class E common will receive $0.14 per share; and Class H common stock holders will receive $0.18 per share.

Dividends on all three classes of common stock are payable Sept. 10, 1990 to stockholders of record on Aug. 16, 1990.

The dividend on GM's $1-2/3 par value common stock has continued at its present rate since the first quarter of 1989. Class E and Class H dividends were established at current levels in the first quarter of 1990. In addition, GM's board declared quarterly dividends of $0.28 per share on Series E-I, E-II and E-III preference stock, and $0.36 per share on Series H-I, H-II and H-III preference stock. These dividends are also payable Sept. 10, 1990 to stockholders of record on Aug. 16, 1990.

The board also declared quarterly dividends of $1.25 per share on the $5.00 series preferred stock and $0.9375 per share on the $3.75 preferred stock, payable Nov. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 1, 1990.

-0- 8/6/90 /CONTACT: William B. Winters of General Motors, 212-418-6380/ (GM) CO: General Motors Corporation ST: New York, Michigan IN: AUT SU: DIV

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#90218p2480 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Equitable Gas Co. and Local 12050 of the United Steel Workers have reached agreement on a new three-year contract covering 365 Equitable employees, primarily operations, maintenance and service personnel.

The pact was ratified by a better than 2 to 1 majority at a special meeting of the union rank and file held Sunday, Aug. 5. The new contract, which runs through March 15, 1993, includes increases in wages and benefits, employee contributions to the company medical plan, and more flexible work rules in the areas of operations and maintenance activities.

CONTACT: Brian Plante of Equitable Gas, 412-553-5911.

-30- 829

#90218p2486 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - OIS Optical Imaging Systems, Inc. ("OIS") (OTC: OVON) (formerly Ovonic Imaging Systems, Inc.) announced today that it has signed a license agreement with an electronic component company based in Japan for its amorphous silicon scanning sensor technology which can be utilized in facsimile machines, document scanners and other imaging applications.

Under the terms of the license agreement, OIS granted a worldwide, royalty-bearing, nonexclusive license for the manufacture and sale of amorphous silicon sensors. The license agreement also provides for an initial payment of several hundred thousand dollars of which OIS has already received $250,000. OIS is hopeful that the royalty payments will be meaningful, but there can be no assurance as to the expected return to the company.

Dr. Zvi Yaniv, president of OIS, said, "We are very happy to have signed an additional license agreement; however, OIS will continue to focus on the development of its active matrix liquid crystal flat panel display business, which is not the subject of this license agreement involving only OIS' sensor technology."

OIS is developing its proprietary display technology primarily for avionic and military applications in conjunction with Allied-Signal Aerospace Company and others, and also continuing its joint development of commercial liquid crystal color television displays with Samsung Electron Devices Co., Ltd.

OIS develops electronic displays and scanning systems. Currently, OIS is focusing its proprietary display technology on avionic and military applications in order to become a leading U.S.-based manufacturer of flat panel displays.

CONTACT: Dr. Zvi Yaniv or Joseph Ben-Gal of OIS Optical Imaging Systems, Inc., 313-362-2738.

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#90218p2490 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

TUSTIN, CA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Silicon Systems Inc., a leading manufacturer of integrated circuits primarily for the mass storage, communications and automotive industries, today announced the first phase in a major reorganization undertaken to establish dedicated product line

responsibility and accelerate growth.

Carmelo J. Santoro, president and chief executive officer of Silicon Systems, announced the formation of seven new product line operations focused on segments of these major markets. Making the announcement Santoro stated that, "This new horizontal structure decentralizes the company into a matrix organization of product and market-specific units capable of crisper decision making and quicker response to our customers."

Santoro further announced that Rick Goerner, senior vice president, Marketing and Sales, has been named to the new responsibility of senior vice president, Business Operations, responsible for guiding the seven new product lines and associated support organizations.

Goerner joined the company in 1982 as director, Product Marketing and was named to his previous responsibility in 1985. Reporting to Goerner will be seven product line directors, five of whom were announced today, a director for business planning, and the director of corporate communications.

Four of the seven product line directors will be responsible for storage products which make up the company's largest market segment. They include Peter Maimone, Read/Write and Servo Preamp Products; Vahid Manian, Pulse Detector/Filter Products; Michael Lachance, Data Recovery Products; and, a director to be named for Controller Products.

Maimone's last position was director of Product Marketing for Storage Products. Manian and Lachance were both promoted from product manager positions where they coordinated activities for some of the company's highest revenue products, most of which are now within their new responsibilities.

Two new product line directors were named to focus on communications products, the company's second largest sales segment. Fred Kamp will lead the Digital Transmission product line while Dori Braun will be responsible for Modulation Products.

Kamp was formerly director of Communications Products Marketing and Braun was manager of Product Marketing for Communications Products. The remaining product line is Automotive Products for which a director has yet to be named.

Each product line will contain product planning, marketing, product engineering, test development and other customer support functions such as applications and customer service.

CONTACT: Carmelo Santoro, president, Rick Goerner, Sr. VP-Business Operations, or Mark Jorgensen, director of corporate communications, all of Silicon Systems, (714) 731-7110.

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#90218p2491 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CONCORD, NH (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthsource, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLTH) today reported that net income for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, improved 68.1 percent to $2,069,802 from $1,230,936 in the second quarter of 1989. Earnings per share for the quarter on a fully diluted basis increased 21.4 percent to 34 cents vs. 28 cents for the second quarter last year. Revenue for the quarter was approximately $14 million, up 21.2 percent over revenue of approximately $11.6 million for the second quarter of 1989.

"We are pleased to report that the positive trend in earnings growth continues," said Healthsource President and Chief Executive Officer Norman C. Payson, M.D. "Our consistent strong performance is a product of the company's operational success in our New Hampshire HMO subsidiary, and our Maine and South Carolina partially owned affiliate HMOs. The company's earnings have also improved due to an 111 percent increase in management fees over the second quarter of last year."

Most recently, Healthsource entered into negotiations with Coordinated Medical Services of North Carolina, Inc. (CMS) to purchase a 29 percent interest in CMS, with the opportunity to increase that interest to 49 percent. CMS owns and operates a 37,000-member HMO in the Raleigh-Durham area of North Carolina. Healthsource has also concluded a five-year management agreement with Patient's Choice, a 26,000-member HMO in Syracuse, N.Y., subject to the approval of New York regulatory authority.

Healthsource, Inc. has interests in and manages three health maintenance organizations (HMOs), which market and provide for the delivery of prepaid health care services to approximately 63,000 members. The company's HMOs operate in New Hampshire, Maine and South Carolina and have more than 1,900 participating physicians. The company's stock is traded on NASDAQ with the symbol HLTH.

HEALTHSOURCE, INC.
Financial Summary

	Quarter ended	
	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Revenue	$14,035,116	$11,576,614
Operating	1,999,518	1,483,256
Net income	2,069,802	1,230,936
Average no. of shares:		
Primary	5,424,657	3,805,660
Fully diluted	6,245,667	4,678,860
Earnings per share:		

Net income:		
Primary	38 cents	32 cents
Fully diluted	34 cents	28 cents

	Six Months ended June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Revenue	$28,181,775	$22,805,227
Operating income	3,741,070	2,877,883
Income before extraordinary item	3,732,804	2,296,988
Extraordinary item	---	300,000-(a)
Net income	3,732,804	2,596,988
Average no. of shares:		
Primary	5,397,178	3,795,350
Fully diluted	6,245,667	4,668,550
Earnings per share:		
Income before extraordinary item:		
Primary	69 cents	61 cents
Fully diluted	62 cents	53 cents
Net income:		
Primary	69 cents	68 cents
Fully diluted	62 cents	53 cents

(a)-Tax benefit from tax-loss carryforward.

CONTACT: Tom Congoran of Healthsource Inc., 603-225-5077.

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#90218p2492 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

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#90218p2493 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Virginia Retirement System ("VRS") announced Friday that it had increased its holdings of equity securities in RF&P Corporation ("RF&P") (NASDAQ: RFPCK), a Virginia-based holding company which owns RF&P Railroad Company and RF&P Properties, Inc.

Since April, 1990, VRS has acquired approximately 1,267,000 shares of RF&P dividend obligations in open market and privately negotiated transactions. VRS, upon closing of these transactions, will own 550,400 shares of RF&P common stock, and approximately 4,226,000 dividend obligation shares. In certain of these transactions VRS is obligated to share a portion of any dividends declared by RF&P within the next 90 days.

RF&P has approximately 17.1 million shares outstanding. CSX Corporation ("CSX") (NYSE: CSX) reportedly owns through an affiliate 62.7 percent of RF&P's voting shares and 19 percent of RF&P's total shares and dividend obligations. To its knowledge, VRS is the second largest holder of RF&P voting and non-voting shares.

Earlier this year, CSX had proposed to acquire RF&P in a merger for $34.50 per share, in cash of CSX shares. The proposed merger was abandoned prior to any shareholder vote when VRS and other RF&P shareholders informed RF&P and CSX that they believed the merger price to be inadequate.

Mark Finn, Chair of VRS's Investment Advisory Committee, announced, "VRS

believes based upon its investment criteria that RF&P shares continue to represent an attractive long-term investment. RF&P owns significant, strategically-situated properties in Northeastern Virginia and the Richmond/Washington, D.C. corridor which it has owned for many years. RF&P also has substantial cash resources and is unleveraged.

Mr. Finn added, "VRS intends to consider and explore on a regular basis means to maximize the long-term value of RF&P shares and may purchase additional shares from time to time in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions."

Jacqueline G. Epps, Chair of VRS, stated "VRS has received several inquiries in recent weeks concerning our investment strategy for RF&P. We are pleased to make this announcement today to answer these inquiries and to put an end to recent speculation by outsiders."

Both Ms. Epps and Mr. Finn serve as VRS's representatives on the RF&P Board of Directors. VRS is charged with administering the pension benefits of employees of the State of Virginia. Through its seven-person board, which includs Ms. Epps and Mr. Finn, VRS manages approximately $11 billion.

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#90218p2496 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWMARKET, NH (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Vitronics Corporation (AMEX: VTC) announced today results for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for the six months ended June 30, 1990 were $9,004,000 vs. $10,239,000 for the same period in 1989. Net earnings were $225,000 for the six-month period compared to $235,000 for the comparable period in 1989. Earnings per share were six cents for both six-month periods in the 1990 and 1989.

Sales for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $4,076,000 vs. $5,314,000 for the same period in 1989. Net earnings were $86,000 for the quarter compared to $128,000 for the second quarter of 1989. Net earnings per share were 2 cents compared to three cents reported for the same period in 1989.

Bookings for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $4,518,000 vs. $5,404,00 for the comparable period in 1989. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, bookings were $8,664,000 compared to $10,207,000 for the comparable period in 1989. The backlog as of June 30, 1990 was $3,552,000 as compared to backlog of $4,113,000 as of July 1, 1989 and $3,110,000 as

of March 31, 1990.

James J. Manfield, Jr., president and CEO of Vitronics Corporation said, "The general slowdown of U.S. orders has resulted in our reporting lower sales results for the second quarter and six-month period. However, we have seen an increase in our U.S. booking activity in the past three months and we remain optimistic that the U.S. slowdown has eased.

"Our international business has remained strong throughout this period. Bookings for the last three months ended July, 31, 1990 of $5,507,000 is the highest consecutive three months of bookings in the history of Vitronics Corporation. We have maintained and, in certain expense areas, lowered our 1990 operational spending levels as compared to 1989 in order to maintain our profit margins."

Vitronics Corporation is a rapidly growing supplier of state-of-the-art thermal processing and associated equipment, with an established reputation as an innovator and leader in the surface mount industry.

VITRONICS'(R) equipment is primarily aimed at the huge electronics industry and has achieved considerable technical recognition in the production of printed circuit boards. The company also supplies equipment to the medical, chemical, pharmaceutical, plastics, graphics and textile industries.

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BOISE, ID (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Boise Cascade Corp. (NYSE: BCC) announced today that, as part of its strategic plan, it has identified five major business objectives that it will pursue to substantially increase earnings and shareholder value during the coming five years.

John B. Fery, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, "The steps we are taking, coupled with the return of stronger paper markets, should result in earnings increasing materially in the next five years and provide significantly greater long-term value to our shareholders while improving our competitive position." He said the company expects its next earnings peak to surpass the previous peak of $6.15 per share, which was achieved in 1988.

Carried out within the context of the company's strategy of efficiency, distinctive competence, and focused growth, the five major objectives are: (1) to focus on the white paper business, (2) to achieve world-class status in terms of cost and quality at company pulp and paper mills, (3) to reduce

the company's pulp and paper presence in the Pacific Northwest, (4) to continue to expand in the office products distribution business, and (5) to continue to invest in the company's building products business.

The five objectives include a number of previously announced projects or activities. One is the major expansion project at the company's pulp and paper mill in International Falls, Minn., which will add 30 percent to the company's uncoated white paper capacity, or about 300,000 annual tons, beginning in 1991. Another project is a new coated white paper machine at Rumford, Maine, scheduled to start up in 1993.

Other specific projects or activities include:
- The sale of the company's Vancouver, Wash., carbonless paper mill.
- A reduced position in newsprint, which includes a plan to seek a joint venture partner for adding recycling capacity at the company's newsprint mill in West Tacoma, Wash.
- A plan to reduce over time the company's dependence on outside wood chip supply to the company's paper mills in the Pacific Northwest. That plan includes the purchase of a whole-log chipping facility in northeast Oregon and the development of a hardwood plantation forest in eastern Washington.

Boise Cascade Corp. is an integrated forest products company headquartered in Boise, Idaho, with operations located primarily in the United States and Canada. The company manufactures and distributes paper and paper products, office products, and building products and owns and manages timberland to support these operations.

CONTACT: Scott Lamb of Boise Cascade Corp., (208) 384-7675, or after hours, (208 343-8380.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Datakey, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: DKEY) today reported total revenue for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $2,270,590, compared with $2,533,128 for the same period a year ago.

Net income totaled $587,119, or 16 cents per share, vs. $904,815, or 25 cents per share, reported last year. Included in the 1989 second- quarter results was an extraordinary gain from tax loss carryforwards of $29,000 and a prior year's tax credit of $133,000, or 5 cents per share.

The six-month sales totaled $4,473,234, compared with $4,738,294 for the first half of 1989. The first-half net income was $1,228,817, or 34 cents per share, vs. net income of $1,740,675, or 49 cents per share, for the first six months of 1989. The results in 1989 included extraordinary

items totaling $461,000, or 13 cents per share.

John H. Underwood, president and chief executive officer, said, "This year's first-half revenue results are similar to last year. Government sales remained the most significant portion of total revenue. However, government sales were down slightly from last year due to lower shipments of keys and receptacles to the phone suppliers.

"On the other hand, sales to our commercial customers in the first half of 1990 increased by nearly 40 percent over the same period last year," Underwood noted. "While these results are not overwhelming, we are encouraged that Datakey's current strategies to expand our commercial business are starting to show some results."

Underwood added, "We are making good progress in the commercial market. However, there is some indication that government sales are slowing down. As a result, total sales and other operating revenue for 1990 may be slightly less than in 1989. In addition, with the current expansion of Datakey's product line and our custom design development activities that are necessary to attract commercial business, the company is significantly increasing its investment in marketing and research and development. With this higher level of spending, we estimate that net income in the second half of 1990 will be comparable to the first half just concluded."

Datakey, Inc. designs, produces and markets specialty class portable data carriers in the form of keys, cards and custom shaped devices to OEMs in an application oriented marketplace. These small, semiconductor memory-based, portable devices serve as a convenient way to provide machine-readable electronic information for use in a variety of microprocessor based equipment. The company's portable data devices are packaged to withstand the adverse elements found in transportable human environments. Datakey also designs, produces and markets supporting peripheral equipment for these portable data carrier devices.

DATAKEY, INC. -- CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

	Second Quarter Ended		Six Months Ended	
	6/29/90	6/30/89	6/29/90	6/30/89
Total revenue	$2,270,590	$2,533,128	$4,473,234	$4,738,294
Income before income taxes and extraordinary item	889,119	1,144,815	1,878,817	1,997,675
Provision for income taxes	302,000	269,000	650,000	585,000
Income before extraordinary item	587,119	875,815	1,228,817	1,412,675
Extraordinary item, reduction of income taxes arising from				

utilization of net operating loss carryforward	0	29,000	0	328,000
Net income	$587,119	$904,815	$1,228,817	$1,740,675
Earnings per share:				
Primary and fully diluted:				
Income before extraordinary item	$.16	$.24	$.34	$.40
Extraordinary item	$.00	$.01	$.00	$.09
Net income	$.16	$.25	$.34	$.49
Weighted average number of common shares and common equivalent shares outstanding	3,632,303	3,558,934	3,620,527	3,553,765

CONTACT: George H.M. Rountree of Datakey, Inc., 612-890-6850; or Marian Briggs of Padilla Speer Beardsley, Inc., 612-871-8877, for Datakey.

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - On July 31, 1990, Aerotest Inc., President D.C. Iain Glendinning announced completion of the acquisition of the assets of Aero Equipment Co. Inc., in Van Nuys, Calif.

Aero Equipment, has been operating as an FAA Avionics Repair Station and serves as a dealer for various avionics equipment manufacturers.

The acquisition, according to Glendinning, will enhance the overall capabilities of the Aerotest Mojave Division by instantly providing an ongoing avionics repair station capability, including the technical personnel and equipment to round out its Transport Maintenance facility.

As part of the acquisition, the Aero Equipment company dealership operations, under the direction of Violet Masse, will move to Aerotest subsidiary operations at The Jet Center, Van Nuys.

All of the full-time Aero Equipment personnel have been retained and integrated into either The Jet Center or Mojave operations.

CONTACT: Jonathan P. Bromberg of Aerotest Inc., 714-752-6737.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Geico Corporation (NYSE: GEC) today reported its results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30,

1990. The corporation's interim report to shareholders will be mailed on or about Aug. 14, 1990.

For the six months ended June 30, the company reported profits of $94.7 million ($6.16 per share) on revenues of $952.8 million as compared to earnings of $89.2 million ($5.76 per share) on revenues of $925.5 million in the same period last year.

In the second quarter, Geico earned $48.3 million ($3.15 per share) on revenues of $489.3 million versus earnings of $43.7 million ($2.82 per share) on revenues of $473.3 million in the second quarter last year.

Commenting on the corporation's results, Chairman Bill Snyder said: "The company's financial results through the first six months of 1990 were satisfactory and above those experienced during the first six months of 1989.

"Net income for the period was $94.7 million, up 6.1 percent from last year's $89.2 million. On a per share basis, net income increased 6.9 percent from $5.76 for the period in 1989 to $6.16 in 1990. Net income included realized investment gains after tax of $1.16 per share in 1990 and $1.32 per share for six months of 1989.

"The second quarter underwriting results were quite favorable, but because first quarter results were less favorable, the consolidated underwriting ratio year-to-date was 97.5 percent compared to 96.7 percent at mid-year 1989.

"Weather-related catastrophe losses through the second quarter were well below the level experienced at this point last year. Auto claim frequency and severity continue to increase at a relatively steady rate.

"Property and casualty earned premiums were up 5.9 percent over the first six months of 1989. Growth in voluntary policies in force over the past 12 months was 4.3 percent. This countrywide growth rate is better than we have experienced recently and is the composite of growth rates of 8-10 percent in several states and negative growth in states which have doubtful potential for future profitability.

"In Geico, our principal subsidiary, earned premiums were up 6.2 percent over the 1989 level and new policy sales were 4.6 percent above the policies sold in the first half of 1989. Geico's underwriting ratio was 96.7 percent compared to 96.2 percent in the corresponding 1989 period," Snyder said.

CONTACT: Carroll R. Franklin, director, investor relations, Geico Corporation, (301) 986-2055.

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#90218p2514 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Medstone International Inc. (NASDAQ: MSHK) today reported net loss of $761,793, or $.16 per share, for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990. This compares with net loss of $183,428, or $.04 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1989. Revenues were $2,593,032 compared with $4,433,771 for the similar period of the prior year.

For the first six months of 1990, net loss was $1,364,264, or $.29 per share, on revenues of $6,857,041 compared with net income of $175,106, or $.04 per share on revenues of $8,605,516 for the first six months of 1989.

"Although revenue from equipment sales is lower this quarter reflecting the sale of one system, recurring revenue from procedures and maintenance has reached a high of approximately $1.3 million for the quarter. In addition, significant steps to reduce operating expenses have been completed and Medstone's cash position has improved during the quarter. We believe operating expenses are now at the appropriate level to compliment the expected revenues for the remaining two quarters of 1990," stated Richard Ferrari, president and chief operating officer.

"Contributing to the loss for the second quarter are legal expenses associated with the defense of the class action lawsuit. If these legal expenses had not been necessary, the results for the quarter would be significantly different," he concluded.

Medstone International manufactures the Medstone STS non-invasive shockwave therapy system. Medstone was granted approval by the FDA in April 1988 for general clinical use of the STS on kidney stones and is a pioneer in the use of lithotripsy for the treatment of gallstones.

MEDSTONE INTERNATIONAL INC.
Condensed Comparative Operating Results
June 30, 1990

	For the three months ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,593,032	$4,433,771
Income (loss) before taxes	(952,793)	(310,428)
Net income (loss)	(761,793)	(183,428)
Loss per share	($.16)	(.04)
Number of shares used in the computation of earnings per share	4,660,263	4,954,998

For the six months ended June 30

	1990	1989
Revenues	$6,857,041	$8,605,516
Income (loss) before taxes	(1,705,264)	273,106
Net income (loss)	(1,364,264)	175,106
Earnings (loss) per share	($.29)	$.04
Number of shares used in the computation of earnings per share	4,659,380	4,996,809

CONTACT: David V. Radlinski, EVP-Finance and CFO of Medstone International, 714-587-0500.

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NASSAU, Bahamas (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of British-American Insurance Company, Limited have today, August 6, 1990, declared a second quarter 1990 dividend of U.S. $0.12 per share to shareholders of record as of August 17, 1990. The dividend will be payable on August 20, 1990.

CONTACT: Judy Higgs of British-American Insurance Company, Limited, 809-322-2694.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Lyondell Petrochemical Co. (NYSE: LYO) resumed normal crude runs at its Houston refinery Friday night, Aug. 3.

The company had briefly reduced crude runs late Thursday due to uncertainty of crude deliveries associated with President Bush's executive order regarding crude shipments from Iraq and Kuwait.

By Friday, Lyondell had arranged for sufficient crude supplies to return its refinery to normal rates. Currently, crude runs at the Houston refinery are averaging 290,000 barrels per day, well above nameplate capacity.

CONTACT: Jackie Wilson or David Harpole (media), (713) 652-4596, or Greg Dunlevy (investors), (713) 652-7367, all of Lyondell Petrochemical Co.

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#90218p2523 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Telephone and Data Systems Inc. (AMEX: TDS) reported substantial increases in customers served, revenues,

operating income and earnings per share during the second quarter and first half of 1990. Telephone access lines served grew 8.2 percent, consolidated cellular telephones in service jumped 86.4 percent and pagers in service climbed 23.5 percent from June 30, 1989.

Operating income, net income and earnings per share increased sharply, reflecting strong operating and financial results in all three business segments. Telephone operating margins were unusually high, while cellular and paging operating margins improved significantly. LeRoy T. Carlson Jr., president, commented, "Results for the second quarter and first half of 1990 reflect the strength of our core business units. While we anticipate our strong customer growth will continue, second-half cellular marketing and RSA development programs, along with slower telephone revenue growth, may hold back financial results somewhat for the balance of 1990."

CONSOLIDATED SECOND QUARTER RESULTS

Consolidated revenues increased of 24.2 percent to $71.9 million for the second quarter of 1990 from $57.8 million in 1989. Operating income surged 82.4 percent to $11.9 million in 1990 compared to $6.5 million in 1989. Net income available to common grew 184 percent to $5.9 million from $2.1 million in 1989, and earnings per share climbed 150 percent to $.20 in 1990 compared to $.08 in 1989. The increase in earnings per share reflects the growth in net income, offset somewhat by a 10 percent increase in the number of weighted average common and equivalent shares.

CONSOLIDATED FIRST HALF RESULTS

Consolidated revenues increased 25.3 percent to $139.2 million for the first half of 1990. Operating income grew 88.2 percent to $23.1 million in 1990 from $12.3 million in 1989. All three business units contributed to the rise in operating income. Telephone operating income rose 30.9 percent, and the cellular and paging operating losses declined 45.9 percent and 11.3 percent respectively. Net income increased 193 percent due primarily to the rise in operating income and higher cellular equity income. Net income available to common grew to $11.2 million for 1990 from $3.4 million for 1989. Earnings per share rose 185 percent to $.37 in 1990 from $.13 in 1989. Growth in earnings per share was slowed somewhat by a 14.2 percent increase in weighted average common shares outstanding.

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PITTSBURGH (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Parkvale Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: PVSA) and Fidelity Savings Association (NASDAQ-NMS: FSVA) jointly announced today that they have entered into an agreement whereby the Mount Lebanon branch of Parkvale, located at 728 Washington Road, Mount Lebanon, Pa., will be acquired by Fidelity.

Under the terms of the agreement, Fidelity will assume the deposits held at that office, which on July 31, 1990, totaled $10.0 million, and will continue to operate the office as a branch of Fidelity.

The acquisition is subject to the approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Pennsylvania Department of Banking. As both Parkvale and Fidelity exceed all regulatory capital requirements, it is expected that the transaction will be approved and completed prior to the end of the year.

"The sale of the Washington Road office, a former Concord-Liberty office acquired from the Resolution Trust Corp. in December 1989, is a result of our continual evaluation of our community office network," said Robert J. McCarthy, president of Parkvale. "I'm particularly pleased that our Washington Road office is being sold to Fidelity, a fine institution that values customer service as much as we do," McCarthy added.

The Washington Road branch office will join Fidelity's 312 Beverly Road office as an additional full-service branch. William L. Windisch, president of Fidelity, said he is pleased to be able to acquire this office and expand Fidelity's service to the residents of Mount Lebanon and surrounding communities.

Parkvale has $756 million in assets and presently operates 23 branch offices. Fidelity has $163.3 million in assets and currently operates six branch offices. Parkvale Savings Bank and Fidelity Savings Association are FDIC-insured, Pennsylvania-chartered stock savings institutions.

CONTACT: William L. Windisch, president and chief executive officer of Fidelity Savings Association, 412-931-4300; or Robert J. McCarthy Jr., president and chief executive officer of Parkvale Savings Bank, 412-373-4815

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Mexicana de Aviacion has ordered 22 A320s and taken options on another 14 aircraft from Airbus Industrie.

The contract was signed Aug. 4 confirming a commitment made in May of this year.

With deliveries due to begin in the second half of 1991, this acquisition represents the first step in Mexicana's fleet modernization program by replacing its fleet of 42 Boeing 727-200s. Before the end of the decade Mexicana plans to operate some 50 A320s.

Today 26 customers have ordered a total of 586 A320s, while there are 668 firm orders from the combined A320/A321 program from 30 customers.

CONTACT: Sandy Smith of Airbus Industrie, 703-834-3400

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CHICAGO (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Circle Fine Art Corp. (NASDAQ: CFNE) today reported revenues and earnings for its third quarter and for the nine months ended June 30, 1990.

Third quarter revenues increased 23 percent to $10,906,000, a new third quarter record, up from $8,845,000 for the same period ended June 30, 1989. Net income increased 21 percent to $486,000 or $.19 per share, also a third quarter record, compared to $401,000 or $.16 per share for the third quarter ended June 30, 1989.

Revenues for fiscal 1990's first nine months ended June 30, 1990 increased 17 percent to a new record, $28,407,000, up from $24,317,000 for the same 1989 period. Net income for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 was $80,000 or $.03 per share, compared to $1,095,000 or $.44 per share for the comparable nine months ended June 30, 1989. Results for the third quarter and first nine months are not necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for the full fiscal year.

"Circle's core art gallery business remains strong," Jack Solomon, chairman, said. "Same store retail sales during the first nine months were 22 percent higher than the comparable period of last year," Solomon continued. "During the first half of fiscal 1990, Circle incurred high start up costs to launch 'The Art Collectors Circle(TM),' the innovative club for beginning and advanced art collectors we operate in association with a division of the American Express Co. The launch was very successful, but it had a temporary negative effect on our earnings. During the third quarter, the club became profitable, and we expect it to continue to grow," Solomon stated.

"There is a tougher general retail environment nationwide; however, in my opinion, art collecting in general will continue to grow, but perhaps at a slower pace," he continued. "We are fortunate that we put Art Collectors Circle in place earlier, even though it hurt our earnings temporarily. Now that it is established, the Art Collectors Circle is position to be of great assistance to our company in dealing with what may be more difficult

economic conditions."

Circle Fine Art Corp. publishes and distributes limited edition original graphics, deals in contemporary fine art, manufactures and distributes "Art To Wear" limited edition fine art jewelry designed by a number of the world's leading contemporary artists, and owns and operates 36 fine art galleries and two Tangent, Fine Art for Living(TM) stores in the United States and Canada. The company also owns the Art Collectors Circle(TM), a club for both beginning and advanced art collectors operated in association with a division of the American Express Co.

CIRCLE FINE ART CORP.
Financial Highlights

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
June 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$10,906,000	$8,845,000	$28,407,000	$24,317,000
Net income	486,000	401,000	80,000	1,095,000
Net earnings per common share & common equivalent share	$.19	$.16	$.03	$.44
Weighted average number of shares	2,521,000	2,573,000	2,550,000	2,515,000

CONTACT: Jack Solomon, chairman, or Joseph Atkin, vice president, of Circle Fine Art Corp., 312-616-1300

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ROSEVILLE, MN (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Mirror Technologies (NASDAQ: MIRR) reported today record sales and profitability for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Net sales through June 30, 1990, were $2,728,008, reflecting a 197-percent increase over the first quarter in the previous year. Net earnings were $97,077, compared with a loss of $69,259 for the same period of 1989.

"This is the second consecutive quarter of profitable operations for Mirror Technologies," said Ronald E. Eibensteiner, president. "The dramatic turnaround in sales and profitability is due to our aggressive marketing strategy and emphasis on product line expansion."

The company raised $1,435,000 from a public offering completed on Aug. 1, 1990, and will use these funds to further expand product development and direct marketing programs. "Timely introduction of our competitively priced new products into a marketplace that is increasingly receptive to 'factory-direct' distribution provides us considerable competitive advantages," said Eibensteiner.

Mirror Technologies assembles and markets peripheral products for the

Macintosh personal computer, including a complete line of mass storage devices and data modems, an optical scanner for desktop publishing and two large-screen monitors. The company markets its products directly to end users in the United States and internationally, through a distributor network.

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#90218p2543 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) today announced an agreement to sell seven DC-9-32 aircraft to Australian Aircraft Sales (N.S.W.) Pty. Limited.

The aircraft are scheduled for delivery at various times during 1991. The sale price of the seven aircraft was not disclosed. The purchaser is an Australian corporation which has engaged in international sales of aircraft since 1946.

CONTACT: Delta public relations, 404-765-2533

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EAST HANOVER, N.J. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Sandoz Pharmaceuticals Corporation today said that 62 cases of potentially life-threatening white blood cell deficiencies in patients receiving Clozaril (clozapine) therapy for schizophrenia have been identified so far through the Clozaril Patient Management System (CPMS). Clozaril was first made commercially available in February 1990 through a controlled distribution system linking weekly drug dispensing to a weekly blood test.

"These data demonstrate that weekly monitoring of the patient's white blood count as is done with the Clozaril Patient Management System (CPMS) is essential," said Dr. David Winter, M.D., vice president of scientific and external affairs. "All patients affected with agranulocytosis, the most serious of the white blood cell deficiencies associated with Clozaril were withdrawn from the drug with no fatal outcomes and no lasting adverse effects." Earlier experience abroad indicated that agranulocytosis may have a 35 percent fatality rate if not detected early and managed properly. "CPMS is proving itself to be a lifesaver in the United States " Dr. Winter emphasized. "Potentially, we could have had at least 6 deaths so far if we did not have the system in place."

"This rate of white blood cell deficiencies is consistent with the data from clinical trials," Dr. Winter stated. Dr. Winter added that the rate of these serious side effects, now running at 2-3 per week, was growing,

reflecting the effects of longer-term use and greater patient numbers.

Dr. Winter said that a review of medical literature indicates that the rate of agranulocytosis is at least 20 times greater for clozapine than for other drugs in its class. Deficiencies in white blood cell counts render patients susceptible to potentially fatal infections.

Before the relationship between Clozaril and agranulocytosis was understood, and monitoring requirements instituted, over 40 deaths were reported in Europe in the 1970's. This death rate was considered by the Food & Drug Administration throughout its evaluation of Sandoz' application to approve marketing. "Distributing Clozaril only through the CPMS in the United States is minimizing the risk of deaths in this country while patients who previously had no hope are benefiting from the new therapy," Winter said.

CONTACT: David Winter of Sandoz, 201-503-8600, or Samuel D. Ostrow of the Rowland Company, 212-527-8824, for Sandoz Pharmaceuticals

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#90218p2546 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Rolf S. Andresen, for 23 years a key figure in Eastern Airlines financial activities, has been promoted to senior vice president and chief financial officer of the airline.

Andresen has been an officer of Eastern since 1972, serving as chief financial officer and vice president-finance since November 1987. His previous positions included vice president-treasurer and director-finance.

Prior to joining Eastern, he held financial positions with Getty Oil Company, Ford Motor Company and Sperry Rand Corporation.

Eastern also announced the promotions of Robert C. Coile to staff vice president & controller, and Kenneth L. Burgess to staff vice president-claims management.

Coile was previously assistant controller-corporate accounting for Eastern and has held various positions of increasing responsibility in the company's accounting section. He was with Air Florida and Price Waterhouse before coming to Eastern in 1981. He is a native of Miami and attended Florida International University.

Burgess joined Eastern in 1989 as director-claims management to administer Chapter 11 pre-petition claims after 20 years with Frontier Airlines. In his last position at Frontier as vice president-operations, he managed the claims process in that company's Chapter 11 proceeding. Earlier Frontier positions included vice president-station services and director of system

control. He was previously with Mohawk Airlines and flew as a carrier pilot in the U.S. Navy. A native of San Carlos, Calif., he holds degrees from San Jose State University and the University of Colorado.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, 305-873-3773

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DETROIT (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors Corp. is considering "three-crew" production -- running plants more hours but paying less overtime -- at eight of its 35 active North American vehicle assembly plants, Ward's Automotive Reports said.

Sources told Ward's the plants, which make compact and midsize cars, are: Doraville, Ga.; Fairfax, Kan.; Lordstown, Ohio; Wilmington, Del.; Lansing Mich., A and B; and Oshawa, Ontario, Canada, Nos. 1 and 2. One of those facilities -- probably Doraville or Fairfax -- could be in jeopardy as a result, the sources told Ward's, because the three-crew system can increase production as much as 50 percent at a plant that already runs two shifts.

Ward's said three-crew production, used by GM and other automakers in a few European vehicle plants, sometimes involves three work shifts a day. In other cases, the plant runs 20 hours daily, six days a week without overtime pay; there are three work crews, each on the job four 10-hour days a week.

U.S. autoworkers now work a five-day week and typically are paid overtime for work in excess of eight hours a day and for working on weekends. No North American auto assembly plants presently use the three-crew system.

GM says no decision has been made on which plants to include. Just when the plants might swing to three crews depends on national and local-level talks this summer with the United Auto Workers, which might resist the plan. GM's national contract with the UAW expires Sept. 14.

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BETHLEHEM, PA. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Bethlehem Steel Corporation (NYSE: BS) confirmed today that it has signed a letter of intent to sell two of its Great Lakes ore vessels, the Lewis Wilson Foy and the Sparrows Point, to Oglebay Norton Company (NASDAQ: OGLE), a Cleveland- based raw materials and Great Lakes marine transportation company.

The Foy, built in 1978, is a 1,000-foot-long, self-unloading vessel, which can carry more than 61,000 tons of iron ore pellets. The Sparrows Point, built in 1952, is 698 feet long with an iron ore pellet capacity of almost 22,000 tons.

With the expected completion later this year of the sale of the Foy and the Sparrows Point, Bethlehem Steel's fleet will consist of two 1,000-foot vessels, the Stewart J. Cort and the Burns Harbor, which are used to transport iron ore pellets from Minnesota to Bethlehem's Burns Harbor, Ind., plant on Lake Michigan.

Bethlehem said the sale of the two vessels is in keeping with its overall strategy of selling assets not required to support its core steel business. Bethlehem expects to recognize a material gain as a result of the sale.

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LEXINGTON, MASS. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Raytheon Service Company's overhaul and repair facility in Virginia Beach, Va., has been awarded a major contract for the U.S. Navy's Naval Electronics Systems Engineering Center (NESEC), Portsmouth, Va.

The contract for the operation of NESEC's Electronic Maintenance Center includes four one-year options. The potential value of the contract is approximately $12 million per year. The actual amount will depend on the naval electronic equipment that requires overhaul, repair and modification work.

Raytheon Service Company currently employs 250 people in its Virginia Beach operations. They provide a variety of service work on a wide range of U.S. Navy electronic equipment, including naval missile systems and radar warning equipment, electronic modules and shipboard antennas.

Raytheon officials said this contract win will support and stabilize the company's ongoing business base in the Virginia Beach area and may result in some additional hiring.

The contract was awarded by the Regional Contracting Department, Naval Supply Center, Norfolk, Va.

Raytheon Service Company, headquartered in Burlington, Mass., is a subsidiary of Raytheon Company (NYSE: RTN), a diversified $8.8 billion company active in electronics, aviation, appliances, industry services, publishing and construction.

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GLENVIEW, ILL. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Kraft General Foods (KGF) today projected that revenue from its new fat free products will reach $325 million this year, and $750 million by 1992 -- the equivalent of a Fortune 400 company.

According to KGF Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Michael A. Miles, consumer demand for KGF's non-fat products in seven popular food categories has been unprecedented. "Our biggest challenge is keeping shelves stocked," he said. In fact, he noted that in several categories, including frozen dessert, yogurt, baked goods, and salad dressings, these products are actually expanding the total market.

"Products that are both fat free and taste good are leading many consumers back to foods they may have cut back on. And they're coming back, again and again," Miles said.

The demand tracks with growing concern about the level of fat in the American diet. The National Cholesterol Education Program has announced its goal of reducing the number of calories from fat in Americans' daily diets to 30 percent. Fat currently makes up 36 percent of the average American's daily calorie intake.

Now a recent analysis by KGF nutritionists shows that by substituting all of the company's fat free products for regular versions consumers could trim the level of fat in their daily diet to 33 percent of total calories, based on average consumption figures (see note).

"We know consumers can make a significant improvement in their diet simply by switching from full fat foods to the fat free counterpart in equal amounts. All the taste, enjoyment and satisfaction remain on their menu -- minus the fat -- and that's good news for consumers," said Patricia Kreutler, Ph.D., associate director of KGF's nutrition department.

"Substituting fat free products for full fat products can make a difference, but it is important to note that it's not the only answer to achieving a healthier lifestyle. It is essential to have balance, variety and moderation as part of an overall dietary plan, plus exercise," she said.

Based in Glenview, Kraft General Foods is the multinational food division of Philip Morris Companies Inc. (NYSE: MO).

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Aug. 3, 1990. All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields
(30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago
Conventional			
15-Year FRM	9.35	9.51	9.29
30-Year FRM	9.69	9.80	9.63
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	9.94	10.05	9.88
10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.			
Second Mortgages	9.550	9.720	9.320

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term)
Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1%	6%	8.75	9.00	8.95	2.000%
1 (FHA)	1%	5%	9.00	9.25	9.20	2.000%
1(A)	2%	6%	7.75	8.00	8.00	2.250%
6 mos(A) (COF)(B)	1%	5%	7.85	8.05	8.10	2.125%

(A) - Rate reduction
(B) - New 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM.
Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs.

LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
July 30, 1990	8.063	8.047	8.047	8.109
June 28, 1990	8.328	8.375	8.438	8.500

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 8/03/90	Year to Date	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(A)	663.5	13,390.3	11,579.1
Purchases	587.5	13,386.8	10,164.2
MBS Issued	1,176.0	55,457.7	32,722.8

(A) - Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

CONTACT: Lisa Haas of Fannie Mae, (202) 752-7124.

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DARIEN, CT (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Transact International Inc. (NASDAQ: TACT) today announced that it has been awarded a $3.9 million contract for a new air cargo handling facility at Hickam Air Force Base in Hawaii.

In announcing the award, Frank B. Carder, president of Transact International, said, "We have supplied air cargo handling systems for a number of Air Force bases over the years, but this is our first at Hickam. We're pleased that the Air Force has once again selected Transact to meet its specific requirements."

Carder also noted, "This contract is a significant part of our first quarter bookings, which have exceeded $6 million."

Transact reported sales of $11,000,065 for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990, with a profit of $273,554, or 4 cents per share.

The Hickam contract covers the design, fabrication and installation of an air cargo pallet-handling system -- including pallet lifts, transfer vehicles, conveyors and staging docks -- plus the construction of the foundation and building to house the system and provide secure storage for palletized cargo.

A specialized design, engineering and manufacturing organization, Transact produces air cargo handling systems for airlines, air freight companies and airport operating authorities, as well as the U.S. Air Force.

Headquartered in Darien, the company has manufacturing facilities in Memphis, Tenn.

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#90218p2566 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Ply Gem Industries, Inc. (AMEX: PGI) today declared its regular quarterly dividend of 3 cents per share payable Sept. 6, 1990, to stockholders of record Aug. 17.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Big O Tires Inc. (NASDAQ: BIGO), today reported net income of $332,200, or 2 cents per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to net income of $607,000, or 4 cents per share for the like period in 1989. Sales of $27,721,000 for the second quarter, 1990, represented a decrease of $1,465,900 from sales of $29,186,900 during this same period in 1989.

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, amounted to $167,000 or 1 cent per share, as compared to $636,700, or 4 cents per share for the like period in 1989. 1990 sales for the six months were $50,443,500, as compared to $50,569,500 in 1989.

Steven P. Cloward, president and chief executive officer of the company stated, "We continue to experience increased expense associated with the company's warranty program. These expenses have had an adverse affect on gross profit margins during the last nine months and we expect it to continue through the end of the year. We were disappointed by the decrease in sales, however we anticipate improved sales in the third quarter, 1990. Lack of supply during the fourth quarter, 1989, and first quarter, 1990, resulted in slower sales this period. As we continue our promotional programs and communicate product availability, we expect sales to increase through 1990."

Gross margins for the second quarter, 1990, were 20.7 percent as compared to 21.3 percent for the like period in 1989. The company's warranty expense increased by $232,300 over the same three month period of 1989 accounting for an .8 percent decrease in margins. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, Big O's gross margins were 20.4 percent, as compared to 22.2 percent for the like period in 1989. Warranty expense increased by $629,900, representing a 1.2 percent decrease to gross margins for the same six month period. Margins on product shipments decreased by 1 percent during this six month period as the company sought to return to product mixes sold prior to the 1989 product shortages experienced by the tire replacement industry.

Big O Tires, headquartered in Englewood, provides tires and automotive services through over 330 company and independently owned stores in 15 states. Its common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "BIGO".

CONTACT: Robyn S. Cowles or Robert L. Puckett both of Big O Tires Inc., 303-790-2800.

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#90218p2575 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - United States Cellular Corporation (USM) reported today that service revenues and the number of customers served continued to grow at a strong pace during the second quarter, while the company's operating loss significantly declined.

"Customers served grew at an annualized rate of 48 percent during the second quarter, up from 33 percent during the first quarter of this year," said H. Donald Nelson, president and chief executive officer. "We attribute the higher growth rate to a more aggressive equipment pricing strategy, which we plan to maintain. We expect to continue to add customers at an accelerated pace throughout the remainder of 1990."

For the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, service revenues increased 72 percent to $13.3 million, versus $7.8 million in the same quarter of 1989. USM's net loss of $2.7 million, or $.09 per share, declined 51 percent from $5.4 million, or $.19 per share, from the same period in 1989. The company's operating loss fell to $1.7 million from $4.1 million.

Service revenues for the first six months of 1990 rose nearly 86 percent to $24.9 million from $13.4 million last year. The net loss for the period fell to $6.1 million, or $.21 per share, compared with a loss of $8.7 million, or $.31 per share, last year. Similarly, USM's operating loss for the six months declined to $4.1 million from $6.7 million last year.

"We are very pleased with our improving operating results and also with the progress we are making on our long-term commitment to bringing excellent service to our customers," Nelson said. "During the second quarter, we reduced our monthly disconnect rate to 1.8 percent, compared with 2 percent during the same quarter of 1989. In addition, we completed a survey of our customer base that indicates continued improvement in meeting our customers' expectations."

The company continued its expansion during the second quarter, agreeing to acquire 100 percent of a license authorized to provide service to Texas Rural Service Area (RSA) 20, which is adjacent to three Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA). The company also recently agreed to acquire the licenses authorized to serve Oklahoma RSA 9 and Iowa RSA 10, both of which are adjacent to other company-managed markets. Each of the three acquisitions is subject to approval by the Federal Communications Commission and will increase the company's cellular interests by an aggregate of approximately 623,000 population equivalents (pops).

USM also made progress in gaining additional RSAs by agreeing to acquire

certain interests from Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. (TDS). "These interests, representing approximately 760,000 pops, are expected to be transferred during the current quarter," Nelson said. USM also anticipates receiving a proposal from TDS for the transfer by TDS of its remaining interests in RSAs, totaling approximately 2.6 million pops. USM has retained independent legal counsel and financial advisors in anticipation of receiving such a proposal.

"We expect that the RSA market start-up activity will affect both the company's operating loss and investment income from minority interest during 1990 and 1991," Nelson said. "At the same time, progress in our MSAs is creating a strong foundation for future revenue and earnings growth."

Headquartered in Chicago, USM manages and invests in cellular systems throughout the country. At June 30, 1990, USM owned or had the right to acquire interests in 75 MSAs and 38 RSAs representing approximately 9,071,000 population equivalents. This total excludes the recently announced acquisitions and any interests that may result from the anticipated proposal from TDS. USM expects to manage more than 40 RSA markets in addition to the 31 company-managed MSA markets. Cellular telephone systems serving three RSA markets and all of USM's MSA markets are in operation today.

CONTACT: Kenneth R. Meyers, VP-finance of United States Cellular, 312-399-8900, or 800-521-6350

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#90218p2578 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) has extended its truck buyer incentive program -- scheduled to expire on Aug. 8 -- through Sept. 26, the official introduction date of its 1991 models.

"We are making an early announcement of the program's continuation to help our dealers plan marketing strategies and to maintain the overall sales momentum of Ford trucks," said Robert L. Rewey, vice president -- Ford North American Sales Operations.

The extended program offers special Annual Percentage Rate financing as well as cash allowances of $600 on Ford Aerostar, F-Series and Econoline Van and Club Wagon; $1,500 on Ford Bronco II and Bronco, and $1,000 on Ford Ranger.

CONTACT: Bill Carroll of Ford, 313-322-1300.

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#90218p2579 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGDALE, NY (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Del Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: DLI), today reported results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

DEL LABORATORIES, INC.

Periods ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$32,093,000	$31,780,000	$65,332,000	$64,027,000
Earnings before income taxes	876,000	700,000	2,145,000	1,929,000
Provision for income taxes	315,000	252,000	772,000	694,000
Net earnings	$ 561,000	$ 448,000	$ 1,373,000	$ 1,235,000
Primary earnings per share (A)	$.48	$.35	$1.13	$.94
Average shares outstanding	1,363,000	1,396,000	1,370,000	1,402,000

(A) - Primary E.P.S. for the first and second quarters of 1990 and 1989 have been adjusted to reflect the application of a modification of the Treasury Stock Method.

Del Laboratories, Inc., under its brand trademarks, manufactures and markets Sally Hansen "Hard as Nails" nail care products, America's number one nail protection; Quencher cosmetics; Flame-Glow cosmetics; Rejuvia beauty care products; Nutri-Tonic hair care products; La Cross nail and beauty implements; Schiaparelli Fragrances and "Auro," "Tanac," "Orajel," "Propa P.H.," "Dermarest," "Pronto," "Diaper-Guard," "Stye," "Triptone" and other proprietary pharmaceuticals.

CONTACT: Dan K. Wassong, president and CEO, or Melvyn C. Goldstein, vice president of finance of Del Laboratories, (516) 293-7070.

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#90218p2580 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHBROOK, IL (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - IMCERA Group, Inc. (NYSE: IMA), formerly International Minerals & Chemical Corporation, today reported a significant increase in sales and operating earnings for the quarter and year ended June 30, 1990. Net sales for 1990 were $1,424.6 million, compared with $982.9 million in 1989. Operating earnings were $112.6 million in 1990, more than double the $55.7 million in 1989.

Pitman-Moore's 1990 operating earnings were $55.6 million, compared with $15.2 million a year ago. "Pitman-Moore's successful consolidation of the Coopers Animal Health acquisition and significant increase in earnings speak for themselves," Kennedy noted.

Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals' full year operating earnings were $48.6 million, a 31 percent increase over last year's earnings of $37.1 million. "Strong earnings in analgesics, flavors, and science products and significantly improved performance in fluoroaromatics were the major factors in that improvement," Kennedy said.

Net earnings for the fiscal year were $56.5 million, or $2.42 per share, compared with $117.0 million, or $4.49 per share, in the previous year. These results included IMCERA's after-tax equity in IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc. (IFL) net earnings of $1.05 per share in 1990 and $2.14 per share in 1989.

This year's earnings from continuing operations also included several unusual items that, in the aggregate, reduced net earnings by $1.5 million after taxes, or 7 cents per share. Net earnings in 1990 also included net charges of $2.4 million, or 11 cents per share, related to discontinued operations.

Net sales for the fourth quarter were $402.8 million compared with $265.9 million in the same period a year ago. Net earnings for the fourth quarter were $20.3 million, or 88 cents per share, compared with $41.3 million, or $1.82 per share, last year. Results included IMCERA's after-tax equity in IFL net earnings of 10 cents per share in 1990 and 51 cents per share in 1989.

IMCERA's businesses are Mallinckrodt Medical, Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals and Pitman-Moore. In addition, IMCERA owns approximately 38 percent of the common stock of IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc.

CONTACT: Dave Prichard (press), 708-205-2270; or Elizabeth Higashi (investors), 708-205-2189, both of IMCERA

-30- 2521

#90218p2584 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was released today by Fund America Investors Corporation:

Fund America Investors Corporation is not in any way associated with FundAmerica Inc. of Irvine, Calif. That was the message sent today in a letter to major investment and commercial banking firms by Steven B. Chotin, president of Fund America Investors Corporation, a Denver-based limited purpose finance company.

FundAmerica Inc. is presently under investigation by state authorities, which prompted Fund America Investors Corporation to announce that there is no relationship whatsoever between the two organizations.

In today's letter to financial institutions Chotin says, "I want to state in the clearest terms possible that our company, Fund America Investors Corporation, does not now have, and has never had, any affiliation, or contact of any kind with FundAmerica Inc. or any of its affiliates or officers."

Fund America Investors Corporation is an issuer of bonds and other similar securities collateralized by mortgage loans or mortgage certificates. It recently priced a $400 million security known as a Collateralized Mortgage Obligation.

FundAmerica Inc., on the other hand, has been described in the media as "a discount buying club." There has been some confusion as to whether there is any relationship between Fund America Investors Corporation and FundAmerica Inc. because of the similarity in names. Chotin sent the letter to clarify the situation for the investment community.

Chotin also stated: "We want to assure the public that FundAmerica Inc. has nothing whatsoever to do with this recent transaction nor with any future security issued by Fund America Investors Corporation."

This release does not constitute an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to buy, any securities. Any such offering will be made only by the means of a prospectus.

CONTACT: Edward Gruben of Fund America Investors Corporation, (303) 741-0100.

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#90218p2585 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

EXTON, PA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Intelligent Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ: INEL) announced today that it was delaying its proposed public offering of 2 million shares of its common stock due to current market conditions.

According to Richard D. Sanford, IE's chairman and chief executive officer "The delay will not impact the company's operations or plans."

Intelligent Electronics Inc. is North America's largest network of computer dealers, with more than 900 centers in three chains: Todays Computer Business Centers (TCBC), Entre' Computer Centers, and Connecting Point of America Inc. Intelligent Electronics is headquartered in Exton.

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-30- 870

#90218p2588 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

POMPANO BEACH, FLA. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Oriole Homes Corp. (AMEX: OHCA, OHCB) today declared its regular semi-annual cash dividend on the company's Class A and Class B common stock.

The regular semi-annual dividend of 20 cents per share on the company's Class A stock and the semi-annual dividend of 22-1/2 cents per share on the company's Class B stock was declared.

The dividends are payable on Sept. 4, 1990, to stockholders of record on Aug. 22, 1990.

CONTACT: Ron Como & Associates, 212-227-3010, for Oriole Homes

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#90218p2589 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Tandy Corp. (NYSE: TAN) introduced the new Tandy(R) 1500 HD portable computer, the industry's first under six-pound (including battery) notebook PC equipped with both standard floppy and hard disk drives.

The system, which sells for $1,999, will be available in September at more than 7,000 participating Radio Shack Computer Centers(R), Radio Shack(R) stores and dealers nationwide.

With its slim size, the Tandy 1500 HD fits comfortably in a briefcase, on an airline tray table, or in a user's lap.

The 1500 HD has a NEC V-20 microprocessor, a clock speed of 10 megahertz and zero wait state memory. A full 640 kilobytes (KB) of memory, expandable to 1.64 megabytes (MB), provides enough power to run the most popular business and personal productivity software. A LIM 4.0 expanded memory driver is also supplied to configure additional memory.

One 3.5-inch, 1.44MB floppy disk drive and an internal 20MB hard drive (23 millisecond access speed) are standard. The MS-DOS(R) 3.3 operating system and Tandy's easy-to-use DeskMate(R) personal productivity software are installed on the hard drive for instant, out-of-the-box computing.

The 1500HD has a high-definition, blue-on-white liquid crystal display with 640 x 200 CGA color resolution. Backlit for improved contrast and readability, the 1500 HD's screen measures 7.5 inches by 4.8 inches.

A rechargeable, removable nicad battery gives more than three and one half hours of computing power. To monitor the battery status, the new Tandy "Power View" LED system is located on the top right of the 1500 HD's case.

In this location, both the On/Off indicator and battery indicator are clearly visible--without lifing the display. The Power switch is also located underneath the display to prevent accidental battery drain.

The battery weighs three-quarters of one pound and recharges in only four hours with the unit off (eight hours if the unit is on). An 8-ounce AC adapter/charger is also included.

The 1500 HD's 84-key keyboard has a new, exclusive Tandy Key-Switch(TM) feature that allows the user to interchange the (Control) key cap and function with the (Caps Lock) key cap and function. By switching these two keys, the 1500 HD's keyboard layout resembles a standard typewriter.

Tandy Corp. is a major manufacturer of consumer and PC-compatible personal computer electronics.

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-30- 2667

#90218p2590 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Kimmins Environmental Service Corp. (NYSE: KVN) today announced its second quarter gross revenue and earnings.

Gross revenue for the quarter ended June 30 was $25,337,000 compared to $27,978,000 for the same period in 1989. Gross revenue for the six months ended June 30 was $52,840,000 compared to $49,796,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income from operations increased to $1,875,000 or 15 cents per share, compared with $1,295,000 or 14 cents per share in 1989.

Francis M. Williams, president of Kimmins Environmental Service Corp., commenting on the quarter stated: "We are pleased with our results in the second quarter of 1990. The 9 percent decrease in gross revenue is the result of our phasing out of general construction contracting into higher margin environmental work. This was reflected in the 47 percent increase in net income for the second quarter and the 45 percent increase in net income from operations for the six months ended in June. We are aggressively entering into the solid waste management and recycling business. We are confident we are adding significant value and future earning power to the company. Through the end of July, we were open in four Florida cities with five other eastern United States locations in various stages of permitting."

Kimmins Environmental Service Corp. is headquartered in Tampa, Fla., and has regional offices in Niagara Falls, N.Y., and Houston.

Kimmins Environmental Service Corp.'s common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "KVN."

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#90218p2591 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNETONKA, MN (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Advance Circuits, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ADVC), Minnetonka-based manufacturer of printed circuits, announced today the company's board of directors had approved a plan to repurchase up to 200,000 of its shares from time to time in the open market.

CONTACT: Thomas F. Leahy or Thomas I. Mueller of Advance Circuits, (612) 935-3311.

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#90218p2592 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, Fla. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The average cost of self-serve unleaded gasoline -- which had increased 4 cents per gallon in two days as of Friday -- jumped another 7.1 cents over the weekend, the American Automobile Association said today.

AAA's Fuel Gauge Report shows self-serve unleaded averages $1.186 per gallon, up from $1.115 on Friday and $1.075 on Wednesday.

The survey, based on a spot check, of 1,400 stations nationwide for AAA by Computer Petroleum Corp. of St. Paul, Minn., shows retail prices have increased at the fastest level since the two-week period following the March 1989 oil spill in Alaska, when prices rose nearly 12 cents.

Regionally, the average price has increased from 4 to 5 cents in Texas to 12 to 15 cents in some areas of California.

AAA, which Friday called on wholesales gasoline suppliers and retailers to use restraint in their pricing policies -- and for car owners to practice common sense conservation -- said a major factor in the rapid price hike is that many oil companies base their prices on the spot market.

Spot market traders buy and sell shipments of oil electronically in what has become a global marketplace. Prices, therefore, now respond immediately to current events, AAA said.

While it may take a shipment of oil 60 days to arrive in the U.S. from the Middle East or elsewhere, the price of the oil in the shipment can change almost daily. Ultimate per-gallon prices at the gas pump can reflect anticipated replacement cost more than actual production cost of the product on hand, AAA says.

Besides surveying for the AAA Fuel Gauge Report, Computer Petroleum Corp. publishes the National Petroleum Price Index, which monitors more than 50,000 daily wholesale and retail gasoline prices throughout the U.S. and Canada.

AAA is a not-for-profit federation of 150 motor clubs with more than 1,000 offices providing its nearly 32 million members in the U.S. and Canada with travel, insurance, financial and auto-related services.

CONTACT: Jerry Cheske or Geoff Sundstrom, both of American Automobile Association, 407-444-8000

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#90218p2593 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MASON CITY, IA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Workers at the 270-worker IMI Cornelius plant in Mason City, Iowa, voted by a margin of more than 2-1 yesterday for union representation with the United Steelworkers of America (USW) it was announced today.

USW District 33 organizer Mike Dinardo, who coordinated the successful organizing effort, said this campaign was prompted by management's poor treatment of hourly workers the desire to gain justice and dignity on the job.

"The workers wanted a voice," Dinardo said. "They have one now." The secret ballot election, overseen by the National Labor Relations Board, was held at the beverage dispenser-producing firm on Thursday. After the final ballots were cast, the votes were counted and the United Steelworkers were victorious by a 176 to 79 margin.

Dinardo said the employer hired professional anti-union consultants in an attempt to dissuade workers from a vote for union representation, but to no avail. More than 100 of the IMI Cornelius workers volunteered to become members of the in-plant organizing committee, taking an active role in the Steelworkers' campaign.

Key support for the union drive also came from the sister plant of the Iowa facility, which is located in Anoka, Minn. Employees from that location volunteered to come to Iowa to help in the organizing drive. Workers in the Minnesota IMI Cornelius plant are represented by USW Local 15199.

CONTACT: USW Organizing Department in Pittsburgh, (412) 562-2550, or Mike Dinardo of the USW, (612) 222-4786.

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#90218p2595 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Super Club Retail Entertainment (SCRE) has signed an agreement to purchase 15 retail video units from a subsidiary of Vestron which are located in New Jersey and currently operate under the name "The Video Store." Final closing of the transaction is expected within 30 days.

The existing regional management and store personnel will remain in place -- and overall management responsibility will be under the direction of Video Towne Entertainment, the Dayton-based subsidiary of Super Club. In making the announcement, Darrell Baldwin, CEO of Super Club, said: "Through a combination of new-store openings and the incorporation of 40 other Vestron units that we acquired earlier this year, Video Towne has grown from a 22-store chain when we purchased them in September of 1989 to an 86-store chain today. This acquisition will move them over the 100-store mark.

"During the past few months," he continued, "Video Towne has been successfully incorporating audio products into their market through a joint project between our audio and video speciality chains. All 15 of the New Jersey units produce high annual revenue streams from video rental and preliminary studies indicate that a high percentage of the new locations will be suitable for the retailing of audio products and video sell-through. Strategically speaking, we see this acquisition as a natural continuation of our expansion plans."

Markets serviced by The Video Store include: Morristown, North Brunswick, Livingston, Teaneck, Ramsey, Upper Montclair, and Randolph. Over time, it is expected that the stores will be renamed to reflect their relationship with Video Towne.

Super Club Retail Entertainment also owns Alfalfa/Movietime, Automated Video, Inc., Best Video, Record Bar/Tracks, Turtle's, and Rhythm and Views.

CONTACT: Landa Miller of Super Club Retail Entertainment, 214-701-9929.

-30- 2112
#90218p2605 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
DEERFIELD BEACH, FL (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - CheckRobot Inc. (NASDAQ: CKRB) announced today that it had received a loan commitment from its largest stockholder, OmniCorp Holdings, Inc., to provide a credit facility of up to $2,500,000 to CheckRobot for working capital purposes. The loan is subject to the execution of definitive documents, and certain other conditions, which is scheduled to occur by Aug. 15, 1990.

Through May 1991, the company will be entitled to draw down monthly under

the facility in the approximate amount of its budgeted cash requirements, as established by the company and OmniCorp, subject to the absence of material adverse changes in the company's business. Borrowings will bear interest at the prime rate of a bank, payable semi-annually. The loan will mature in May 1992 and repayment will be secured by a security interest in all of the company's assets.

In order to meet certain immediate cash needs of the company, OmniCorp advanced $200,000 to the company on Friday, Aug. 3. This advance is intended to be part of the credit facility, but in the interim will be secured by the pledge of the company's stock in Advanced Promotion Technologies, Inc.

In consideration for extending the credit facility, the company will grant to OmniCorp five-year warrants to purchase 2,500,000 shares of its common stock at an exercise price of $1.00 per share and additional five-year warrants to purchase 1,000,000 shares at an exercise price of $2.50 per share. Exercise of the $1.00 warrants would give OmniCorp ownership of slightly more than 50 percent of CheckRobot's voting stock, on a basis assuming conversion of all outstanding shares of CheckRobot's convertible preferred stock, including shares held by OmniCorp. Exercise of options and warrants held by others could reduce OmniCorp's percentage ownership.

In addition, CheckRobot's board of directors will be expanded to 11 members and OmniCorp will have the right to designate a majority of the directors, so long as it owns or has the right to acquire more than 50 percent of CheckRobot's outstanding Common Stock.

Other than a $500,000 bank loan, (which will be repaid in part with the proceeds of the facility) and the private placement of $500,000 of Preferred Stock, the company had been unable, during the last few months, to obtain financing from other sources sufficient to fund future operations. The company will continue to explore other financing avenues.

CheckRobot Inc. develops and markets ACM (R) automated checkout machines. The systems are designed to improve customer service and profitability for the supermarket industry. Using enhanced laser bar-code scanners and a proprietary merchandise security system, the ACM allows shoppers to quickly scan the check out merchandise before paying centrally located cashiers.

CONTACT: Richard W. HonerKamp, vice president and chief financial officer of CheckRobot Inc., 305-426-1600.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - KFF Management Inc., an Arby's franchisee

in southern California, has converted a Wendy's restaurant in the ABC Entertainment Center in Century City, Calif., into an Arby's roast beef sandwich restaurant.

Completed in mid July, the new Arby's features nine "Touch 2000(R)" units a computerized, touch-sensitive ordering system developed jointly by Arby's, IBM and Management Information Support Inc.

The Century City restaurant is 3,872 square feet, with seating for 115 people. It has more Touch 2000 units than any other fast-food restaurant in the nation.

With Touch 2000, customers place their orders directly using a color touch-screen. As the food selection is touched on the color screen, it is processed through an IBM Personal System/2 (R) Model 30 computer and displayed on IBM monitors in the food preparation area. The touch-screen automatically indicates the selections made and keeps a running account of the cost of the order. The system is also multilingual, allowing customers to order in English, Spanish or other languages.

Arby's was the first fast-food chain to introduce a touch- screen ordering device. Currently, 35 Arby's across the country feature the system, and the chain expects to add 50 more units by the end of the year.

"Major technological innovations like Touch 2000 will become more common in the fast-food industry during the 1990s, since automation saves labor and food costs, provides faster service, and allows personnel to focus on providing hospitality," said William Brusslan, president of KFF.

Arby's is the world's largest roast beef sandwich chain, with appxoximately 2,300 restaurants located throughout the United States, Canada, Asia, the Middle East and the Caribbean. In 1989, Arby's added a record 239 new restaurants and surpassed the $1.3 billion mark in system-wide sales.

CONTACT: Steve Cannon or Angelica Bayona, both of KFF Management, 213-851-2800, or Lynn Sokler or Claudia D'Avanzo, both of Manning, Selvage and Lee, 404-875-1444, for Arby's

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SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Enzon, Inc. (NASDAQ: ENZN) today announced the appointment of three new members to its current board of directors. These additions are A.M. "Don" MacKinnon, former president and chief operating officer of CIBA-GEIGY Corporation; Richard Cooper, M.D., professor, dean and executive vice president of the Medical College of Wisconsin; and Norman Gross, president of Norman Gross Associates, Inc.

"I am pleased to announce the expansion of Enzon's board with these three distinguished men," said Abraham Abuchowski, Enzon's president and CEO. "Their counsel, experience and wise judgment will further the potential of Enzon's unique drug delivery technology."

MacKinnon served as president and chief operating officer of CIBA-GEIGY for six years, previously serving as president of its pharmaceuticals division. He continues to serve as a member of CIBA-GEIGY's board of directors.

Prior to joining CIBA-GEIGY, MacKinnon held the positions of treasurer and chief financial officer at Warner Lambert. He is currently chairman of the board and CEO of DNA Pharmaceuticals Inc. and a director of Synbiotics Corporation, Houston Biotechnology, Inc. and ImmunoPharmaceuticals, Inc. He received an M.B.A. from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

Cooper, a hematologist and oncologist, is currently dean and executive vice president of the Medical College of Wisconsin, a position he has held since 1985. For the preceding 14 years, he was a professor of medicine and director of the Cancer Center of the University of Pennsylvania, and prior to that a faculty member of the Harvard Medical School. Cooper has been a consultant to E.R. Squibb and Sons, Inc., CIBA-GEIGY Corporation and Sandoz Pharmaceutical Corporation, and served on the scientific advisory board of Cytogen. He has also served as consultant to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Food and Drug Division and to the National Cancer Institute. He received an M.D. degree from Washington University, St. Louis, and completed post graduate training at Harvard Medical School and the National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md.

Gross is currently president of Norman Gross Associates, a management consulting company specializing in healthcare since 1979. Among his former clients are Schering-Plough, E.F. Hutton, Hoffman- LaRoche, and American Hospital Supply. Previously he served as vice president of planning of IU International and as director/chief planning officer at Warner-Lambert. He also initiated the Strategic Planning Consulting Practice at Hay Associates. He holds an M.A. in economics from the University of Kansas and also studied economics at Yale University. Gross has served as an adjunct professor for the M.B.A. program at the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School.

Enzon is a biopharmaceutical company developing improved therapies for life-threatening disease through the application of its proprietary technology, Pegnology(TM), to enhance the delivery of protein-based drugs. In March 1990, Enzon received marketing approval from the FDA for Adagen(TM) (PEG-ADA), a treatment for a form of Severe Combined Immunodeficiency Disease (SCID).

CONTACT: Donna Chappina of Enzon, 201-668-1800; or Jason Rubin of Hill and Knowlton, 202-944-5158, for Enzon.

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#90218p2611 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - CRSS Inc. (NYSE: CRX), announced today that its board of directors has elected Richard L. Daerr as director and a member of the executive committee of the board.

Daerr joined with CRSS in 1979 as general counsel. He has since held positions of increasing responsibility, including vice president, general counsel; senior vice president, chief administrative officer; executive vice president, and currently president and chief operating officer.

Daerr holds a bachelor of science from Texas A&M University, a doctor of jurisprudence from the University of Texas and a master of business administration from George Washington University. Prior to joining CRSS he was associate counsel with Dresser Industries after having served as a trial attorney with the U.S. Department of Justice.

He is an active board and executive committee member of Junior Achievement of Southeast Texas, Inc. and a board member of the Texas Council on Economic Education.

Commenting on the appointment, CRSS Chairman, Bruce W. Wilkinson, stated, "Richard Daerr has been a key member of the management team responsible for the reorganization of CRSS into a more diversified and efficient company, and his election to the board and executive committee is well-deserved."

CRSS, through its subsidiaries, is a diversified design and construction services company and is involved in the independent power/cogeneration industry. CRSS has also expanded through its interest in NaTec Resources, Inc., into the acid rain pollution control market.

CONTACT: Steve Pierce of CRSS, 713-552-2158

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#90218p2612 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways said today it has filed a 10 percent fare increase on both domestic and international routes to offset jet fuel price increases resulting from developments in the Middle East.

Pan Am said the domestic fare increases are effective Thursday, Aug. 9,

while the increase in international markets takes effect Aug. 15.

Pan Am said that since last week's developments, the airline's jet fuel prices have risen significantly and further increases are expected. Pan Am said fuel expense is its second largest expense item, representing approximately 15 percent of total operating expenses in the most recent second quarter.

CONTACT: Pamela Hanlon of Pan Am, 212-880-6183

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#90218p2614 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Sprague Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: SPG) announced today that Donald B. Christiansen was named vice president-chief financial officer. He also holds the position of controller.

Christiansen was previously vice president-finance and controller. Christiansen has been an employee of Sprague for 31 years.

Sprague is a world-wide manufacturer of capacitors and other electronic components.

CONTACT: R. Kevin Matz, assistant treasurer of Sprague Technologies, 203-964-8628.

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VERO BEACH, Fla. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Dixon Ticonderoga Company (AMEX: DXT) today reported a loss of $1,562,578 or 51 cents per share, for its third quarter ended June 30, including a one-time pretax charge of $1,896,000 for the restructuring of its operations. This compares with a net of $604,122, or 19 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989. Revenues for the quarter were $24,700,958 compared with $26,563,237 last year. Average common shares outstanding for the quarter were 3,064,358 compared with 3,184,099 last year.

For the first nine months, Dixon reported a loss of $2,708,996, or 89 cents per share, on revenues of $66,768,901 compared with a net of $1,349,607 or 43 cents per share, on revenues of $65,859,677 a year ago. Average common shares outstanding were 3,056,833 in 1990 compared with 3,168,057 a year ago.

President Gino N. Pala attributed the loss to a number of non- recurring items, most notably the company's restructuring plans which were recently announced. "The consolidation of several of our manufacturing plants,

which is presently under way, will greatly improve our manufacturing efficiency and contribute to even lower inventory levels. Moreover, the consolidation of our entire management team, marketing, sales and customer service, will produce significant administrative cost savings and stimulate management effectiveness."

CONTACT: Gino N. Pala of Dixon Ticonderoga Company, 407-231-3190; or Joseph Graves of Investor Relations Associates, 708-858-0016, for Dixon Ticonderoga Company

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#90218p2628 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Freda Corp. (FRDA), a manufacturer of an extensive variety of delicatessen luncheon meats, marketed throughout the continental United States, today reported gross revenues and net income for the third quarter and nine months of the fiscal year ending Sept. 1, 1990.

Net income for the 13 weeks ended May 26, 1990, was $112,305 or 6 cents per share as compared with $213,304 or 12 cents per share for the 13 weeks ended May 27, 1989, on 1,807,800 average shares outstanding in both periods. Third quarter gross revenues amounted to $15,662,966, an increase from $14,269,229 in the year-earlier period.

For the 39 weeks ended May 26, 1990, net income was $187,982 or 10 cents per share as compared with $128,223 or 7 cents per share in the comparable 26-week period ended May 27, 1989, on 1,807,800 average shares outstanding in both periods. Gross revenues amounted to $45,702,370, an increase from $43,477,978 in the year-earlier period.

The company's stock is traded over-the-counter.

FREDA CORP.
(Unaudited)

Three months ended	May 26, 1990	May 27, 1989
Gross revenues	$15,662,966	$14,269,229
Income before taxes	195,705	335,437
Provision for income taxes	83,400	122,133
Net income after taxes	112,305	213,304
Earnings per share	$.06	$.12
Average shares outstanding	1,807,800	1,807,800
Nine months ended	May 26, 1990	May 27, 1989
Gross revenues	$45,702,370	$43,477,978
Income before taxes	344,782	201,206
Provision for income taxes	156,800	72,983
Net income after taxes	187,982	128,223
Earnings per share	$.10	$.07
Average shares outstanding	1,807,800	1,807,800

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#90218p2630 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - American Drug Screens, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADSI), announced today that it filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement for the public offering of 700,000 units consisting of four shares of common stock and two warrants. Each warrant is exercisable to purchase one share of common stock at $1.50 per share at any time on or before Dec. 31, 1991. Although the offering price for the units has not been determined, the company anticipates that the total amount to be raised from the offering, if the offering is successful will be between $2 million and $3 million. Malone & Associates, Inc., Denver, is acting as managing underwriter in the offering.

In connection with the announced public offering, the company also announced that the exercise price of the company's 480,000 outstanding warrants had been reduced to $1.50 per share and the period for exercise of the warrants had been extended to terminate on Dec. 31, 1991. These changes will make the terms of the outstanding warrants consistent with the warrants to be offered in the public offering.

American Drug Screens, Inc. is the only public company devoted exclusively to providing testing for drugs of abuse to corporations, government agencies, universities and the private sector. The company operates drug testing laboratories under the name Laboratory Specialists, Inc. in New Orleans, and Los Angeles and has signed a letter of intent to acquire a third laboratory in Bridgeport, Conn.

With the net proceeds from the sale of its securities, American Drug Screens intends to acquire additional drug testing laboratories toward creating a national network of regional laboratories to provide quality drug testing to corporate America. Cash not used for acquisitions will be used for market development and advertising, development of the company's home drug test kit, AWARE(R), currently pending FDA approval, and for working capital.

CONTACT: John Simonelli, chairman and CEO of American Drug Screens, 405-949-1722.

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#90218p2633 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Logicon Inc. (NYSE: LGN) announced that the board of directors, at a regularly scheduled meeting today, declared a quarterly cash dividend on the company's common stock of nine

cents per share.

Shareholders of record as of Sept. 20, 1990, will receive the dividend, which will be paid on Oct. 9, 1990.

Logicon is a leader in providing advanced technology systems and services to support national security, civil and industrial needs.

CONTACT: John C. Tuffy of Logicon Inc., 213-373-0220

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#90218p2634 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Nycal Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: NYCL) today announced the sale of its 29.99 percent interest in Claremont (UK) Plc ("Claremont") for $1.27 million, for a profit to Nycal of approximately $675,000.

On July 12, 1990, Nycal acquired 11.8 million ordinary shares of Claremont in consideration of 148,250 shares of Nycal common stock, valued at $593,000.

In September 1989, Graham Lacey acquired control of Nycal, formerly a development stage mineral resource company, at management's invitation and undertook a recapitalization and reorganization of the company which was completed in first quarter 1990. Last week, Nycal announced that it had acquired a controlling interest in Shephard Insurance Group Ltd., a holding company owning insurance brokerage/agency firms in the United Kingdom and Canada with a pending acquisition of a credit life insurance company in the U.S. Nycal expects to make other acquisitions in the insurance and financial services field, as well as in oil and gas and in other industries.

CONTACT: Graham Lacey of Nycal, 202-625-6600.

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#90218p2641 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRISTOL, CONN. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Bowman Distribution, the largest operating unit of Barnes Group Inc., will hold a special one-day seminar Aug. 9 on fastener safety. The seminar will be held twice on the same day, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Holiday Inn, Denver I-70 East, 15500 East 40th Avenue.

The Bowman seminar will focus on the counterfeit bolt problem that is continually plaguing the U.S. industrial supply system. U.S. Customs officials will be on hand to discuss the problem of bolts that are intentionally mismarked to deceive the buyer or end-user, and outline its

program for combating the problem.

Guy Avellon, sales applications engineer for Bowman and a leading fastener consultant, will conduct the seminar. He has served as a consultant since 1975 to numerous industries, maintenance organizations and safety associations, and is active in several engineering and materials testing groups.

Based in Cleveland, Ohio, Bowman is a leading direct-to-user distributor of maintenance and repair products and services to the industrial and automotive aftermarkets, serving more than 80,000 customers in North America.

CONTACT: J. Day, of Bowman Distribution, 216-391-7200, or J. F. Sand, Jr., of Barnes Group, 203-583-7070, for Bowman

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DALLAS (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Centex Corp. (NYSE: CTX) has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per share payable on Oct. 4, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 13, 1990.

Centex is a Dallas-based company with operations in home building and mortgage banking, general construction, construction products and savings and loan.

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WOOSTER, OHIO (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Rubbermaid Incorporated (NYSE: RBD) and Eldon Industries, Inc. (NYSE: ELD) announced today the signing of a definitive agreement covering Rubbermaid's acquisition of Eldon Industries a publicly-held company, headquartered in Inglewood, Calif. The agreement was approved by the board of directors of each company and closing is subject to appropriate regulatory approval and approval by Eldon's stockholders. Rubbermaid has received commitments from Eldon's major stockholders to vote approximately 2,714,000 shares, or 29 percent of the outstanding shares.

Eldon stockholders will receive Rubbermaid common stock with each Eldon share being converted into no fewer than .5438 and no more than .6320 Rubbermaid shares. The exact number of Rubbermaid shares to be issued per Eldon share subject to this range will equal $23.75 divided by the price of Rubbermaid shares during the ten trading days ending three days

prior to the Eldon stockholders' meeting. The total number of Rubbermaid shares to be issued will be between 5,448,000 and 6,332,000.

Eldon's office products segment, which consists of its Eldon Office Products and Davson Divisions, represents over 86 percent of Eldon's total sales. The Eldon Office Products Division offers a wide range of innovative office accessories, with emphasis on enhancing productivity through more efficient storage, handling, and retrieval of information for traditional paperflow and computer related media.

The Davson Division markets an array of communication boards, building directories, signage and conference room items under the Davson name.

The Ungar segment offers a line of sophisticated production equipment for the assembly and repair of electronic circuits.

Eldon has developed leading positions in several markets, and its products are sold in over 40 countries around the world. Net sales for the year ended Dec. 30, 1989, were $113 million and net earnings were $8.6 million.

CONTACT: Richard Agins, vice president, secretary and general counsel of Eldon Industries, Inc., 213-642-7716, or Richard D. Gates, vice president and treasurer of Rubbermaid Incorporated, 216-264-6464

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#90218p2651 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROADVIEW, ILL. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The German automotive equipment manufacturer Robert Bosch GmbH, Stuttgart, has acquired a 50 percent interest in the Canadian cellular telephone manufacturer, NovAtel Communications Ltd., Calgary, from Alberta Government Telephones (AGT) subject to approval by government agencies in Germany and Canada. Robert Bosch is already well known in the consumer electronics industry for its Blaupunkt brand car stereos and vehicle navigation systems. NovAtel, Canada's only cellular phone maker, has extensive sales and distribution throughout North America and Europe.

The agreement was signed in Calgary on July 24, 1990 by Bosch chairman, Dr. Marcus Bierich, AGT chairman, Dr. Neil Webber and NovAtel's chairman and CEO, John Burrows.

By investing in NovAtel, Bosch Telecom will expand its presence in the mobile communications market. Adding to the vehicle navigation, security and entertainment resources of Blaupunkt, Bosch will be in an excellent position to meet the future requirements of the automobile industry for fully integrated automotive electronics systems.

"For Blaupunkt," said James Straus, National Marketing Manager, Blaupunkt

Bosch Telecom, "this acquisition offers exciting prospects for our mobile communications business in the United States. Mobile telephones today are definitely the area of highest growth and technological progress in telecommunications."

NovAtel Communications Ltd., formed in 1983, has established a strong position in the North American market for cellular phones and associated systems technology. The company employs 1,600 people in Canada and in its distribution companies in the United States, Great Britain, and Norway. Its 1989 sales exceeded US$260 million. Both partners expect strong growth for the cellular phone market in the next few years.
Robert Bosch GmbH was founded in Germany in 1886 and has been incorporated in the United States since 1906. The company is well known for its electronics and electromechanical technology -- especially in the automotive industry. Robert Bosch presently employs more than 179,800 people in 130 countries, and has over 100 manufacturing facilities over 18 of these countries. In 1989 Robert Bosch sales were $16.3 billion worldwide, with U.S. sales of $1.1 billion.

CONTACT: Gordon Sell of Gordon Sell & Associates, 201-509-0097, for Blaupunkt; or James Straus, 708-865-5200 of Blaupunkt Bosch Telecom Marketing; or Margret E. Nordquist, 708-865-5367 for Robert Bosch; or Leone G. Bechard of NovAtel Communications, 403-295-4605

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#90218p2652 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The liquidation of retail merchandise at Sakowitz officially concluded at 7 p.m. last Saturday, with all but 20 odd items that fit on a six-foot table sold.

The eight-week event generated approximately $6.8 million in retail sales, according to Paul Buxbaum, executive vice president of Buxbaum, Ginsberg & Associates, the Encino, Calif.-based firm that ran the liquidation.

Sale of all remaining fixtures and equipment from the chain's five Texas stores will be concluded this week at the flagship Post Oak location in Houston. To date, fixture sales have raised over $500,000 at retail, Buxbaum said.

Assessing the sale's overall results, Buxbaum commented: "Results exceeded our expectations and were especially gratifying given current economic conditions in Texas. The return here was similar to what we got on the liquidation of the Joseph Magnin stores in California in 1985, which was one of our most successful sales.

"Apart from the great public response, we were also extremely pleased with the Sakowitz employees," he continued. "They're loyal, hardworking

people whose cooperation was pivotal to the success of the sale."

Buxbaum noted that approximately 38 percent of the stores' inventory was sold at the initial 20 percent markdown, with a full 70 percent sold prior to going to 50 percent off.

Interestingly, the last men's suit in Sakowitz's inventory was sold to a long-time customer who claimed that his father purchased the first suit sold by Tobias Sakowitz in the original Galveston, Texas, store back in 1902. Houston resident William Donald Shephard purchased the last suit, which originally retailed for $815, for $24. "We figured that's about what his father would have paid for a suit back in 1902," Buxbaum said.

Buxbaum, Ginsberg began liquidating Sakowitz's five Texas stores in mid-June. The retailer, which filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on May 4, continues to operate in a Cincinnati mall owned by parent company LJ Hooker Corp.

CONTACT: Paul Buxbaum of Buxbaum, Ginsberg, 818-708-2370, or Bill Parness of Parness & Associates, 201-290-0121, for Buxbaum, Ginsberg

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#90218p2655 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Alliance New Europe Fund, Inc. (NYSE: ANE), a closed-end management investment company, announced today that the board of directors of the fund has approved a program for the repurchase by the fund of up to 1 million shares of the fund's common stock. Repurchases of fund shares will take place in the open market; there is no specific timetable within which repurchases will be effected. As of Aug. 3, 1990, 21,009,000 shares of the fund's common stock were outstanding.

Commenting upon the board's action, David H. Dievler, chairman of the board, stated, "In approving the share repurchase program, the board of directors has reaffirmed its determination that it is in the best interests of the fund's shareholders to take action to attempt to reduce or eliminate any market discount from the net asset value of the fund's shares. The board of directors will continue to monitor the market behavior of the fund's shares, and will in the future take such further action in this regard as it may determine to be in the interests of the fund and its shareholders."

Mr. Dievler further stated, "In view of the favorable performance of the fund since the inception of its investment operations in April of this year, shares of the fund are, I believe, a more attractive investment than is reflected in their current market price. The share repurchase program approved by the board can be funded entirely from the fund's existing cash position and, therefore, will not require the disposition of securities in

the fund's investment portfolio."

Alliance New Europe Fund, Inc. is managed by Alliance Capital Management L.P.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - American Health Services Corp. (NASDAQ: AHTS), a medical diagnostic/treatment center operator and developer, has named E. Larry Atkins as president and chief executive officer. He is replacing S. Lewis Meyer who has resigned, effective immediately, from his positions as president, chief executive officer and director of the company. In accepting Meyer's resignation, the company expressed its appreciation for Meyer's efforts over the past six years in guiding the company from its earliest development to its present position as a leader in its field.

For the past four years, Atkins has served American Health Services as executive vice president and chief operating officer and was responsible for all diagnostic imaging center activities, and as a member of the company's board of directors.

From 1979 to 1986, he was president of the American Medical International Diagnostic Services Inc. (AMI/DSI), a California-based corporation engaged in state-of-the-art mobile diagnostic imaging. During his tenure at AMI/DSI, revenues grew to $40 million and AMI/DSI became the largest provider of diagnostic imaging services in the nation.

Prior to his service at AMI/DSI, Atkins served as European Marketing Director for Technicare Corp. of Amsterdam, where he established a product distribution network in Europe, India and the Middle East for this healthcare firm.

American Health Services Corp. is the largest operator of hospital-affiliated, fixed-site magnetic resonance imaging diagnostic centers in the nation. The corporation also develops and operates centers affiliated with HMOs, multi-specialty clinics and physician group practices.

CONTACT: Bradley K. Serwin of American Health Services Corp., 714-476-0733

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#90218p2661 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - American Airlines Inc. flew 7.2 billion revenue passenger miles in July, making it the third largest traffic volume month in the airline's history. Two of the top 10 traffic days, July 12 and July 26, occurred last month.

For the first seven months of the year, American's passenger traffic was up 4.3 percent.

On the cargo side, American continued its outstanding performance. In July freight alone increased 18.9 percent; for the seven-month period it was up 19.8 percent.

"There are some bright spots in the picture, in spite of the fact that overall passenger traffic was flat," said Michael W. Gunn, senior vice president-marketing. "Our international traffic increased 28.1 percent year over year. European traffic remains strong, and early results from our South American start-up, which began in July, are encouraging. In addition, July 1989 traffic was artificially inflated by the 'Kids Fly Free' promotion -- which was not repeated this summer."

American's available seat miles increased 7.2 percent in July, to 10.9 billion from 10.1 billion. Passenger boardings for the month were down 5.6 percent, to 6,575,230 from 6,964,833. The July system load factor of 66.8 percent was a 4.8 point drop from last year's 71.6 percent.

For the year-to-date period, American's revenue passenger miles were 44.16 billion, up 4.3 percent from last year's 42.32 billion. Available seat miles jumped 6.8 percent for the seven months, to 70.50 billion from 66.03 billion. The system load factor was down 1.5 points to 62.6 percent from 64.1 percent. Passenger boardings were up 1.8 percent to 42,453,151 from 41,682,156.

American's freight ton miles increased 18.9 percent in July, from 55.0 million to 65.5 million. System mail ton miles totalled 20.3 million in July, an 8.2 percent increase from 18.7 million a year ago.

Freight ton miles for the year-to-date period climbed 19.8 percent, to 430.0 million from 359.0 million. Mail ton miles were up 18.1 percent, to 154.3 million from 130.6 million.

"The expansion of our Central and South American routes that began in July will boost our international cargo traffic even further," said William R. Boesch, the airline's vice president-cargo. "Significant improvements in our cargo service are helping to lift our domestic business. The combined result is substantial growth in our cargo traffic overall."

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#90218p2662 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, Conn. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc. (UCC&P) today announced its acquisition of Quantum Chemical Corporation's Norkool(R) Industrial Products business. Businesses acquired include Norkool(R) Industrial Coolants, Norchem(TM) Corrosion Inhibitors and Norkool(TM) Industrial Cleaners and Degreasers.

The major component of the sale -- Norkool Industrial Coolants -- is a line of ethylene glycol-based heat transfer fluids used primarily as coolants for stationary engines in the natural gas transmission industry.

According to W.E. Shackelford, vice president of UCC&P's Industrial Chemicals Division, the Norkool business will complement UCC&P's current line of UCARTHERM(R) and UCARTritherm(TM) heat transfer fluids. "The acquisition will broaden our customer base in heat transfer fluids, as well as provide us with new technology especially related to inhibitor and specialty cleaner products," he pointed out.

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BIRMINGHAM, MICH. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Kuhlman Corporation (NYSE: KUH) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per share payable Oct. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 11, 1990.

Today's action represents a significant increase in Kuhlman's regular quarterly dividend rate. The prior rate was 3 cents per share.

Kuhlman Corporation has paid dividends in either cash or stock in every year since 1946.

Kuhlman Corporation is a manufacturer of distribution, power and instrument transformers, and spring products.

CONTACT: Kuhlman Fluehr of Kuhlman Corporation, 313-649-9300

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Keene Corporation, which today became an independent public company following its spin off by Bairnco Corporation, has declared a cash dividend and announced its operating results for the second quarter and first half.

Keene now trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "KEEN."

Bairnco shareholders of record on July 30 will receive one share of Keene common stock for each share of Bairnco common stock, to be distributed today. Keen's board of directors has declared a cash dividend of 7 cents per share for the second quarter to be distributed to Keene stockholders of record on Aug. 16, payable Aug. 17, 1990.

Keene now has one operating division, Reinhold Industries, a leading producer of composite materials, structures and ablatives for aerospace, defense and commercial applications.

Keene's second-quarter sales and net income improved significantly over the comparable 1989 period. Sales increased 32 percent to $6,110,000. Net income increased 15 percent to $1,648,000, or 16 cents per share, despite spin-off expenses of $304,000.

For the first half, sales increased 35 percent to $11,245,000. Net income increased 32 percent to $3,586,000, or 34 cents per share, despite spin-off expenses totaling $325,000.

CONTACT: Ed Utz or Frances O'Brien, 212-557-1900, both of Keene.

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CALABASAS, Calif. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Lockheed Corp. (NYSE: LK) board of directors today approved a quarterly dividend of 45 cents per share to holders of the corporation's common stock. The dividend is payable Sept. 4, 1990, to shareholders of record Aug. 20, 1990.

CONTACT: Bob Slayman, 818-712-2468, or Scott Hallman, 818-712-2477, both of Lockheed Corp.

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#90218p2692 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Essex Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ESEX) announced that it expects substantial conclusion by Sept. 30, 1990, of its involvement in the TRIDENT submarine logistics and maintenance planning data base development and support program.

This program accounted for approximately $2.6 million (20 percent) of first half 1990 revenues and approximately $5.0 million (17 percent) and $4.2 million (16 percent) of annual revenues in 1989 and 1988, respectively. Beginning with the fourth quarter of 1990, the company

expects its revenues to be reduced accordingly pending replacement of such volume by other sources. This revenue loss will have proportionately unfavorable impacts upon earnings and absorption of non-operating expenses. Because diversification and downsizing efforts are now underway the company is unable to estimate further effects, if any, upon operating results.

The company's operations in Mechanicsburg, Pa., and Portsmouth, N.H., will be sharply reduced. Approximately 45 jobs (15 percent of Essex total workforce) will be affected. The company expects full recovery of all costs associated with the transition of this program to the prime contractor.

The company, performing initially as prime contractor to the Navy for six years, has been under subcontract to Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics (NYSE: GD) for seven years. General Dynamics is undertaking a transition of most of the remaining work to its various divisions. In the early 1980s, Essex yearly revenues from the TRIDENT program were nearly $7 million, amounting to 40 percent of annual revenues.

CONTACT: Harry Letaw Jr., chairman and CEO, Essex Corporation, 703-548-4500.

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#90218p2693 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Medtronic, Inc. (NYSE: MDT) announced today that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration had approved commercial release of the new 18K catheter for coronary balloon angioplasty.

The 18K, which derives its name from gold plating on the inner spring-coil construction, is a 3.5 French over-the-wire device with refinements that increase performance and improve ease of handling. They are:

-- Improved balloon design that provides greater inflation consistency and returns easily to a tightly wrapped, low-profile pre- inflation diameter.

-- Shaft markers that help the physician estimate tip location before beginning fluoroscope tracking, thus reducing X-ray radiation.

-- An inside diameter designed to accommodate any guidewire up to 0.018 of an inch.

-- Enhance(TM) coating applied to the inner lumen and to the distal 30 cm. of the device. This lubricious coating facilitates smooth movement over the guidewire and easier access to the lesion once the 18K moves beyond the guiding catheter.

Medtronic also announced that clinical evaluation of two more new catheters is expected to begin this month. The Axxess(TM), a 3.4 French over-the-wire device, incorporates a new low-profile, low-compliance balloon material that allows precise control of balloon inflation in treating very tight lesions.

The Torx(TM), a fixed-wire device, is a 2.7 French catheter also using a low-profile, non-compliant balloon material. It features a steerable tip.

Medtronic, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, is a leading developer and manufacturer of biomedical devices for improving cardiovascular and neurological health. The company's Interventional Vascular business has headquarters in San Diego.

CONTACT: Elizabeth Combs, 612-574-3038, or Dick Reid, 612-574-3052, both of Medtronic

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#90218p2697 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Essex Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ESEX) announced today that it has been awarded a $1.2 million contract by Motorola Inc. (NYSE: MOT) to perform previously announced work on Motorola's IRIDIUM satellite cellular communications system.

Essex began systems engineering in satellite and network control and development of the network simulator in March 1990. This work is expanded and extended through December 1990 under the terms of the definitive agreement. Essex expects additional work in 1991 and beyond.

Dr. Harry Letaw Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of the system design and manufacturing concern, stated: "Our relationship with Motorola on this venture clearly demonstrates the value of Essex capabilities in the commercial marketplace. This successful crossover to commercial products is an outgrowth of work previously performed for government customers."

Essex Corporation designs and manufactures systems and ultra-speed digital-optical processors and supplies products and support for aerospace training, information, electronic and military systems.

CONTACT: Harry Letaw Jr., chairman and CEO, Essex Corporation, 703-548-4500.

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#90218p2701 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOLMDEL, NJ (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Prudential policyholders can now

receive bigger discounts on their auto insurance bill if their cars have driver side and passenger side safety devices.

Prudential Property and Casualty Insurance Co. (PRUPAC), a long-time vocal supporter of airbags, has offered a 30 percent discount for cars with driver and passenger side airbags since 1975. This established discount reduces the part of the premium that covers direct compensation injury to the occupant of the car.

With the announcement of an additional discount for cars having passenger side safety devices, Prudential becomes the first auto insurer to offer a discount of five percent of bodily injury liability premium for cars equipped with passenger side airbags and three percent for those with passenger side automatic belts.

"For the past 20 years, PRUPAC has been a strong supporter of airbags," comments Stephen R. Braswell, president. "Airbags are a smart purchase and anyone who's been protected by an airbag in an accident will attest that the cost of the airbag was insignificant when compared to their ability to prevent serious injury." Braswell continues, "In addition to the discounts for injury protection, our collision coverage automatically includes the replacement of a deployed airbag. We hope the extra incentives will encourage even more drivers to consider safety devices when they are car shopping."

Prudential Property and Casualty Insurance Co. is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Prudential Insurance Company of America. Its products -- car, home, boat and personal liability insurance -- are sold through more than 17,000 licensed agents throughout the country. Contact any Prudential agent to see when the discount will be offered in your state.

CONTACT: Alana Kirman of Prudential Property and Casualty Insurance Co., 201-946-5133.

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#90218p2704 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SIMSBURY, CT (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Kollmorgen Corporation (NYSE: KOL) announced today that it has decided to close its Multiwire Division, Hicksville, N.Y., after failing to reach a definitive agreement with Winthrop Investment Corp. to sell that facility.

The company had announced on July 13, the signing of a letter of intent to sell that facility to Winthrop.

Kollmorgen had previously stated that a closing of the Multiwire Division, taken together with the sale of its discrete wiring portion of its PCK Technology Division, will not result in a significant gain or loss to the

company.

CONTACT: James A. Eder of Kollmorgen, 203-651-3757, or Kathy Liebmann of Gavin Anderson Doremus & Company, 212-964-0700, for Kollmorgen

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#90218p2706 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Essex Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ESEX) reported consolidated revenues for the second quarter ended July 1, 1990, of $6,367,000 which were $987,000 or 13 percent lower than the $7,354,000 reported in the second quarter of 1989.

Consolidated quarterly revenues include $939,000 in 1990 and $825,000 in 1989 for its subsidiary, System Engineering and Development Corporation (SEDC), which was acquired June 1, 1989. Essex consolidated revenues for the first half of 1990 totalled $13,138,000 which was $415,000 or 3 percent lower than the $13,553,000 reported during 1989.

Without the SEDC revenues of $2,082,000 and $825,000 in first half 1990 and 1989, respectively, the company's revenues would have been $11,056,000 or 13 percent lower in 1990 versus 1989. A major factor in the sales volume decline was the completion by year end 1989 of Essex efforts as subcontractor to Boeing Corporation on its Navy aircraft maintenance trainer work.

Essex is reporting a net loss of $263,000, or 16 cents per share, for the second quarterly period of 1990, as contrasted to net income of $81,000, or 6 cents per share, in the 1989 second quarter period. For the first half, Essex is reporting a net loss of $460,000, or 28 cents per share, in 1990 versus net income of $110,000, or 8 cents per share, in the first half of 1989. The SEDC results showed a net loss for the first half of 1990 of approximately $501,000, or 31 cents per share, with a net loss of $283,000, or 17 cents per share, occurring in the second quarter of 1990. The SEDC results which are included in the 1989 figures showed a net loss for June 1989 of $51,000, or 4 cents per share.

Excluding SEDC, the company would have reported net income of $20,000, or 1 cent per share, in the second quarter of 1990 compared to $132,000, or 10 cents per share, in the same period in 1989. In the first half, the company would have reported net income of $41,000, or 3 cents per share, in 1990 versus $161,000, or 12 cents per share, in 1989. The company's decline in earnings was principally due to the substantial completion of the aircraft maintenance trainer program by year end 1989.

Primary elements of the SEDC first half loss in 1990 were core staff and facility expenses exceeding coverage from current business volume by $350,000 and acquisition-related amortization expenses of $163,000. In

addition, SEDC increased its reserves by $80,000 (5 cents per share) in the second quarter of 1990 to fully reflect the tentative settlement agreement reached with the U.S. Attorney, District of Maryland, regarding allegations of mischarging on certain projects in years prior to the acquisition of SEDC by Essex. If the settlement is approved by the court, SEDC will pay a fine for which it believes it has now fully reserved.

Dr. Harry Letaw, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: "Despite major disruptions in programs and funding experienced by many of our government customers, Essex continues to find opportunities in this area on a selective basis. We are also gratified by our progress in commercializing publications and hardware products based upon our expertise in human technology and training. Added to this is growing market acceptance to Essex by SEDC. By strengthening and repositioning Essex, we have made progress necessary to achieve future profitability."

Established in 1969, Essex Corporation does business in systems effectiveness and information technology, designing, developing, manufacturing, selling and supporting products and systems for public, private and commercial customers. Primary fields of interest include systems engineering, interactive training programs, reliability and maintenance support, safety, error reduction and man-machine interface design, fitness-for-duty test systems and electronic and photonic information work stations. The firm employs a staff of over 300 at more than a dozen locations across the country.

ESSEX CORPORATION FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	3 Month Periods Ended		6 Month Periods Ended	
	July 1, 1990	July 2, 1989	July 1, 1990	July 2, 1989
Revenues	$6,367,000	$7,354,000	$13,138,000	$13,553,000
Income (loss) before taxes	$(316,000)	$185,000	$(563,000)	$238,000
Net income (loss)	$(263,000)	$81,000	$(460,000)	$110,000
Weighted average shares outstanding	1,650,007	1,405,958	1,650,077	1,339,208
Earnings (loss) per share	$(0.16)	$0.06	$(0.28)	$ 0.08

CONTACT: Harry Letaw Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, Essex Corporation, 703-548-4500

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#90218p2707 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - McCormick Capital, Inc. (NASDAQ: MKOR) announced today the results for the second quarter and six months ended

June 30, 1990. Revenues for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $1,758,055 as compared to $2,705,756 for the same period in 1989. Net income for the three months showed a loss of $38,124 ($.03 per share) compared to income of $76,951 ($.03 per share) for the second quarter last year. Shares outstanding were 1,415,200.

Revenues for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, were $3,659,686 compared with $5,292,719 for this period in 1989. Net income showed a loss of $123,908 ($.09 per share) compared to income of $190,642 ($.08 per share) for the six-month period ended June 30, 1989.

Peter Dauchy, president of McCormick Capital, Inc., said, "Commission, clearing costs and interest expenses show reductions when comparing these periods in 1990 with 1989. And while other expenses also have been reduced, we are still in a period of investment spending with start-up and development costs incurred in establishing our own NASD Broker/Dealer subsidiary, McCormick Capital Investments, Inc. However, we look to this proprietary capability for the underwriting, distribution and sales of commodity pools to provide the company with better control and economy in bringing future offerings and to evolve into a fully functioning profit center.

Our major profit center, McCormick Futures Incorporated, one of the 125 clearing members firms of the Chicago Board of Trade, continues to produce excellent earnings which should be enhanced along with customer equity when McCormick Capital Investments markets future commodity pools."

Dauchy went on to say, "We continue to pursue lower interest payments through our buyback program of McCormick Capital subordinated notes, and during the second quarter of 1990 purchased in the open market $142,000 in par value of these notes bringing our total for the six months ended June 30, 1990, to $167,000."

McCormick Capital, Inc. is engaged in various aspects of the commodity futures and securities industry, including futures brokerage and organization and management of futures investment limited partnerships.

MCCORMICK CAPITAL, INC.
Consolidated Statement of Income
(Unaudited)

Periods ended June 30, 1990:	Second quarter	Six months
Revenues:		
Commissions	$969,250	$1,914,340
Interest income	923,160	$1,751,010
Other income (loss)	(134,355)	(5,664)
Total	1,758,055	3,659,686
Expenses: Commissions and clearing costs	614,290	1,432,545
Interest	667,178	1,318,841

Other	529,711	1,077,208
Total	1,811,179	3,828,594
Income (Loss) before taxes	(53,124)	(168,908)
Prov. (benefit) for income taxes	(15,000)	(45,000)
Net income (loss)	(38,124)	(123,908)
Earnings (loss) per share	$(.03)	$(.09)

Periods ended June 30, 1989:	Second quarter	Six months
Revenues:		
Commissions	$1,439,542	$2,801,474
Interest income	1,198,366	2,339,820
Other income (loss)	67,848	151,425
Total	2,705,756	5,292,719
Expenses:		
Commissions and clearing costs	1,135,026	2,228,022
Interest	833,313	1,675,512
Other	622,046	1,121,323
Total	2,590,385	5,024,857
Income (loss) before taxes	115,371	267,862
Prov. (benefit) for income taxes	38,420	77,220
Net income (loss)	76,951	190,642
Earnings (loss) per share	$.03	$.08

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#90218p2710 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco (U.K.) Exploration Company and its partners today announced a gas discovery in the Southern Basin area of the U.K. North Sea, approximately 25 miles east of Flamborough Head.

The discovery well 42/28b-5 was tested from two separate intervals at stabilized flow rates of 30 million cubic feet of gas per day and 37 million cubic feet of gas per day, respectively.

The 42/28b-5 well was drilled to a total depth of 9,280 feet in 173 feet of water. It is six miles east of the 42/28a-3 Wollaston gas discovery, which was announced in 1989, and within 10 miles of the Frobisher gas discovery in block 47/3b, announced in 1987. Both discoveries are in licenses operated by Amoco.

According to Charles W. Carr, president of Amoco (U.K.) Exploration Company, "Amoco and its partners have an active exploration program to find new reserves of natural gas in the southern North Sea. This discovery provides further encouragement and support for this effort."

Amoco (U.K.) Exploration Company is operator and holds 30.77 percent interest in this U.K. 10th round license area. Other working interest owners are Gas Council (Exploration) Ltd., 30.77 percent; Amerada Hess Ltd., 23.08 percent; and North Sea Inc., 15.38 percent.

Amoco (U.K.) Exploration Company is an affiliate of Amoco Corporation (NYSE: AN).

-0- 8/6/90 /CONTACT: Mike Thompson, 312-856-5566, or C.T. Geary 312-856-5388, both of Amoco/

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#90218p2718 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

RIVER EDGE, NJ (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The appointment of Fred Berk as chief executive officer of Huffman Koos (NASDAQ: HUFK) was announced today by William Hellman, chairman of the board.

Berk has held the position of president and chief operating officer since March 1989. Prior to this assignment, he was president of Barker Bros., one of Southern California's larger furniture retailers.

Hellman, who held the CEO title until he relinquished it to Berk effective Aug. 1, said, "Fred has done an outstanding job improving the operations and customer service at Huffman Koos and this increase in authority and responsibility reflects the confidence of the board of directors in his ability to take the company forward into the 90s."

Huffman Koos, which operates nine stores in the New York-New Jersey area, offers a wide selection of high-quality name brand furniture and accessories for discriminating homes.

CONTACT: Joe Albanese, 201-343-4300, for Huffman Koos.

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#90218p2720 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Hoechst Mitsubishi Kasei Co. Ltd. of Tokyo, Japan, has designated Hoechst Celanese Corp. as its exclusive distributor.

The appointment is effective Aug. 29, 1990. Hoechst Celanese succeeds Atlantic Industries as the exclusive distributor of Dianix (R) disperse dyes and other dyes.

During a transition period, Atlantic Industries may continue to sell the

inventory it has on hand.

The Charlotte-based Colorants and Surfactants Division of Hoechst Celanese's Specialty Chemicals Group will distribute Dianix dyes together with its Samaron (R) disperse dyes.

The combined product line of azo and anthraquinone dyes will permit Hoechst Celanese to offer disperse dye users a complete product line for polyester and other man-made fibers.

The Colorants and Surfactants Division markets textile dyes, organic pigments and textile and specialty chemicals and has a strong U.S. production base.

Hoechst Celanese, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hoechst AG of West Germany, has leading positions globally in textile dyes, chemicals, fibers, advanced materials and technologies and the life sciences.

CONTACT: James P. Allen, 704-554-2224, or Chester L. Caulder, 704-554-2025, both of Hoechst Celanese Corp.

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#90218p2723 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTOWN, PA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Tseng Labs (NASDAQ-NMS: TSNG) today announced results for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Second quarter revenues increased to $9,723,085 from $9,427,652 in the comparable period last year. Net income was $1,627,750 or $.09 per share compared to $1,759,157 or $.10 per share in the second quarter last year, the best quarter in the company's history.

Revenues for the first half of 1990 were $18,001,833 compared to $18,449,504 in the same period last year. Net income was $2,864,040 or $.16 per share vs. $3,355,433 or $.18 per share in the comparable prior-year period.

Jack H-N Tseng, president, commented, "The second quarter continued to demonstrate the strong recovery that the company has made from the second half of 1989. Strong bookings and positive customer response continue for our new VGA products, based on the ET4000, which according to industry experts is the fastest and most sophisticated VGA controller available. Design 'wins' with the ET4000 have effectively doubled our VGA OEM customer base, and we expect significant additions to that base during the balance of the year."

Tseng continued, "Given the strong demand for ET4000 based products and the new OEM customers recently signed up, assuming we receive the

necessary delivery of chips from our semiconductor manufacturers, the second half of the 1990, and particularly the fourth quarter when the full impact of ET4000 market share gains begin to be experienced, will be substantially ahead of last year's comparable periods and should compare favorably to the first half of 1990."

Tseng Labs Inc. is a manufacturer of custom VLSI graphics chips and board level add-on enhancement products for personal computers.

TSENG LABS INC.
(Unaudited)

Three months ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$9,723,085	$9,427,652
Income before income taxes	2,549,750	2,752,157
Income taxes	922,000	993,000
Net income	1,627,750	1,759,157
Net income per share	$.09	$.10
Average shares outstanding	18,442,000	18,313,000
Six months ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$18,001,833	$18,449,504
Income before income taxes	4,506,040	5,270,433
Income taxes	1,642,000	1,915,000
Net income	2,864,040	3,355,433
Net income per share	$.16	$.18
Average shares outstanding	18,466,000	18,225,000

CONTACT: Jack Gibbons, CFO of Tseng Labs, 215-968-0502, or Sharon Hunt, 212-836-9605, or Bob Goldstein, 212-371-8660, both of The Equity Group Inc., for Tseng Labs

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#90218p2725 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Central Fidelity Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: CFBS) announced today an extension of its stock repurchase plan adopted in 1987 which will enable the corporation to purchase up to 750,000 shares of its common stock. This represents approximately 5 percent of its outstanding shares. These shares will be in addition to the 800,000 shares acquired under the 1987 repurchase plan.

Management of Central Fidelity stated that purchases will be made periodically in either open-market or private transactions, or both, in accordance with guidelines established by the Securities and Exchange Commission, which include volume restrictions designed to minimize the impact of such purchases and the number of shares, if any, actually acquired will depend on subsequent developments and corporate needs and that when and if commenced, the purchase may be discontinued or interrupted at any time.

Central Fidelity Banks, Inc. presently has 15,063,785 shares of common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Lewis N. Miller, Jr., President, 804-697-6742 or Linda Garcia, Public Relations Manager, 804-697-7261, both of Central Fidelity Banks, Inc.

-30- 1343

#90218p2738 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - After exhaustive testing of the leading biometric identification systems from around the world, Comparator Systems Corp.'s (NASDAQ: IDID) ID-1 and ID-2 were the only units that have not been rejected by those in charge of security for the Olympic Games and Olympic Village.

Representatives of Comparator Corp. are currently in operational negotiations over implementing an initial 40 units at the sight of construction, in Barcelona, Spain, for the Olympic Village and Olympic Games.

Executives of Comparator Corp., who are currently in Europe on business, are pleased at what they believe will develop into a large contract, and a showplace for the corporation's new technology.

CONTACT: Karen Hitt of Comparator Systems Corp., 714-851-4300

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#90218p2739 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, Conn. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - W.R. Berkley Corporation (NASDAQ: BKLY), an insurance holding company, today announced that an award had been rendered in an arbitration involving one of its subsidiaries and several of the subsidiary's former reinsurers. The reinsurers had denied coverage of losses paid by the subsidiary on surety bonds guaranteeing performance by investors in real estate limited partnerships, and had requested rescission of their contract. The arbitration panel denied the reinsurers' demand for complete rescission. However, it rendered an award which, if implemented, would result in the subsidiary recovering significantly less than the amount it demanded from the reinsurers.

As a result, Berkley estimated that it could face a charge against earnings of approximately $10 million ($.84 per share), on an after-tax basis. The charge, which is likely to affect third-quarter earnings, would result from the write-down of amounts previously reflected as reinsurance receivable. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, Berkley had net after-tax income of $26.9 million ($2.27 per share) and for the

year ended Dec. 31, 1989, had net after-tax income of $55.8 million ($4.73 per share).

The company noted that the subsidiary's recovery of less than it had anticipated as a result of the arbitration would have no material impact on the subsidiary's operations or financial condition. The subsidiary ceased writing limited partnership surety bonds more than three years ago.

Robert S. Gorin, senior vice president-general counsel of Berkley, stated, "We are disappointed in the award and are presently considering our alternatives, including the possibility of appeal or other legal action."

W.R. Berkley Corporation is a holding company whose subsidiaries operate in three major segments of the insurance business: regional property casualty insurance; specialty lines of insurance (including excess and surplus lines, commercial transportation and reinsurance), and insurance services operations (including management of alternative insurance market mechanisms).

CONTACT: Robert V. Mendelsohn, executive VP, or John D. Vollaro, senior VP, 203-629-2880, both of W.R. Berkley

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#90218p2743 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTICELLO, N.Y. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Frontier Insurance Group Inc. (NASDAQ: FRTR) today announced its unaudited results through the second quarter of 1990 as follows:

FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC.
UNAUDITED RESULTS
Three Months Ended

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989	Percent Change
Earned premium revenues	$18,167,000	$11,995,000	51.5
Net investment	$3,233,000	$1,952,000	65.6
Realized capital gains (losses)	($25,000)	$110,000	N/A
Claims adjusting income	$315,000	--	N/A
Total revenues	$21,690,000	$14,056,000	54.3
Total expenses	$17,552,000	$10,794,000	62.6
Net income before income taxes	$4,138,000	$3,262,000	26.9
Net income	$2,818,000	$2,326,000	21.2
Earnings per share -- net income	$.63(a)	$.52(a)	21.2
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,436,103(a)	4,433,703(a)	0.0

"Fresh start" benefits:			
Net income amount	$47,000	$40,000	17.5
Per share amount	$.01(a)	$.01(a)	0.0

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Percent
	1990	1989	Change
Earned premium revenues	$35,630,000	$24,010,000	48.4
Net investment	$5,843,000	$3,821,000	52.9
Realized capital gains (losses)	$23,000	$131,000	N/A
Claims adjusting income	$742,000	--	N/A
Total revenues	$42,238,000	$27,962,000	51.1
Total expenses	$34,639,000	$22,110,000	56.7
Net income before income taxes	$7,599,000	$5,852,000	29.9
Net income	$5,457,000	$4,235,000	28.9
Earnings per share -- net income	$1.23	$.96(a)	28.1
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,435,570(a)	4,433,703(a)	0.0
"Fresh start" benefits:			
Net income amount	$113,000	$81,000	39.5
Per share amount	$.03(a)	$.02(a)	50.0

(a) In July 1990 and August 1989, the company paid a 10 percent stock dividend. Weighted Average Shares Outstanding presented and used in the calculations of per share amounts presented above have been adjusted retroactively to reflect the stock dividends.

Frontier is an underwriter and creator of specialty insurance products which serve the needs of insureds in niche markets.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Arby's Inc. has purchased 22 of its franchised restaurants in south Florida from the Horn & Hardart Co. (AMEX: HOR), one of Arby's franchisees for the state.

The acquisition increases the number of company-owned Arby's restaurants to 246 and the total Arby's restaurants located in Florida to 103.

The newly purchased restaurants are located in Boca Raton, Fort Lauderdale North Miami, West Palm Beach, Miami, North Miami Beach, Lauderdale Lake,

Boynton Beach, Hollywood, Lantana, Light House Point, Margate, Oakland Park, Pembroke Pines, Plantation, and Pompano Beach.

"The acquisition from Horn & Hardart further strengthens Arby's presence in Florida," said Kam Nassar, Arby's executive vice president of finance and business development. "Unlike many other fast-food concepts, which are reaching saturation points, Arby's still has room to grow in many major areas across the nation, including Florida."

"Arby's expects to have 200 restaurants in that state by 1995," said George Nadvit, executive vice president of operations. "Florida has tremendous growth potential for Arby's with both company-owned and franchised restaurants."

Arby's is an international fast-food chain, over 2,300 restaurants in the United States, and in Canada, Asia, the Caribbean and the Middle East. The company reached a record $1.3 billion in sales for 1989, a 13 percent increase over the previous year. Headquartered in Atlanta, Arby's is ranked as an industry leader, which emphasizes growth through innovations in technology, marketing products, nutrition/consumer information and community service.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Spinnaker Software Corporation (NASDAQ: SPKR), a leading provider of personal computer software, today announced that it has completed the sale of its education software line to Queue Inc. of Fairfield, Conn.

Queue, which is privately held, specializes in the publication and distribution of software to educational institutions. The sales price included immediate and deferred cash payments of $1 million, as well as ongoing royalty payments to Spinnaker.

In connection with the sale, Spinnaker also licensed certain other products to Queue on a non-exclusive basis, and granted Queue a limited right to use its Spinnaker(R) and Springboard(R) trademarks for purposes related to the continued marketing of the products purchased and licensed.

Spinnaker estimated that sales of its education software products accounted for approximately 13 percent of the company's total net revenue for the 12 months ended June 30, 1989 and for approximately 11 percent of currently anticipated net revenue for the year ending June 30, 1990.

C. David Seuss, chairman and chief executive officer of Spinnaker noted that the sale was consistent with the company's previously announced strategic decision to focus on the small business software market, and on the corporate information management market represented by its new PLUS product line.

Proceeds from the sale will provide additional working capital to fund the development and marketing of the PLUS products and the company's next generation of productivity software.

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#90218p2758 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - General Dynamics (NYSE: GD) today announced that it will consolidate its Valley Systems and Pomona Divisions into a single business unit called the Air Defense Systems Division.

"The consolidation, effective immediately, is the result of declining business prospects in the defense industry," said Ralph Hawes, executive vice president -- missiles and electronics at General Dynamics.

Hawes said the expected result of consolidation activities and the erosion of the business base at the former Pomona and Valley Systems Divisions will be layoffs of 1,500 to 2,000 employees through the end of 1991. More than 600 of the layoffs will be caused by the elimination of duplicate jobs as the divisions are combined.

Michael C. Keel has been named corporate vice president and general manager of the new division. He had been corporate vice president and general manager of the Valley Systems Division since January 1988. Sterling Starr, who had been corporate vice president and general manager of the Pomona Division, will assist in the initial steps of the consolidation pending reassignment.

"While we all welcomed a diminished threat from the Soviet Union and the end of the Cold War, these changes have brought unfortunate personal economic consequences for many people in the U.S. defense industry," said Keel. "We very much regret that layoffs will be necessary, and we will try to cushion the impact by providing professional career consulting and placement assistance services to affected employees."

Pomona Division, located in Pomona, Calif., is approximately 16 miles west of Valley Systems, which is in Rancho Cucamonga, Calif. Pomona Division produces standard and sparrow missiles, and phalanx close-in weapon systems, while valley systems builds stinger and rolling airframe missiles

for the U.S. military and its allies.

"In order to remain competitive in a declining market for missiles and other air defense systems, General Dynamics must more efficiently use its existing resources and reduce overhead," said Keel. "Between our Pomona and Rancho Cucamonga sites, we will have more capacity than is required to meet our future needs. However, we have not yet made any firm decisions to relocate any production lines."

The Pomona Division was formed in 1952 and Valley Systems was created in 1985 in response to the then expanding military market. Currently, the new Air Defense Systems Division will not only operate facilities in Pomona and Rancho Cucamonga, but also in New Mexico, Arizona, Arkansas and San Diego county.

With this consolidation, General Dynamics had eight divisions and six subsidiaries. The company is primarily engaged in the design, development and manufacture of highly sophisticated defense systems, including F-16 fighter aircraft, M1A1 Abrams tanks and Ohio- and Los Angeles-class submarines.

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ELMIRA, N.Y. (AUG. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Artistic Greetings Inc. (NASDAQ: ARTG) today announced earnings of $24,742 for the second quarter, ended June 30, 1990, versus earlier results of $60,547.

Stuart Komer, president and chairman, said earnings were in line with company projections that the second quarter would be flat from one year earlier.

Sales for the second quarter were $7,682,050, versus $4,198,735 for the previous year.

However, Komer said that more than $2 million of the jump in 1990 sales for the quarter was due to a contract expiration resulting in the discontinuation of a joint venture at the end of 1989. Prior to that time the joint venture sales were split approximately 50/50 between Artistic and its partner. Artistic continues to sell to the same market, but all sales dollars are booked by Artistic. The costs and profits of joint venture sales were also shared approximately equally, but now all accrue to Artistic. Consequently, Artistic's costs and profits are now greater per unit of product formerly sold by the joint venture.

Six month sales figures for Artistic were $18,911,645 versus $8,935,556, with much of the increase contributed to the discontinuation of the joint venture. Earnings for this first six months are $583,943 versus $351,970 for the year earlier.

Artistic Greetings Inc. is primarily engaged in the mail order sale of personalized stationery and gift items.

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#90218p2783 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Agouron Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ: AGPH) reported revenues of $3,349,000 and a net loss of $6,224,000 or $1.77 per share, for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

The results for fiscal 1990 compared to a loss of $4,719,000 or $1.77 per share on revenues of $2,569,000 for the prior year, and reflect the company's increased investment in its research and product development programs.

Agouron Pharmaceuticals Inc., based in La Jolla, is developing new drugs to treat a number of major diseases including cancer and AIDS. Using an advanced technology called "three-dimensional, protein structure-based drug design," the company's scientists design drugs to interact specifically with proteins that play key roles in human disease.

AGOURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL RESULTS

Fiscal 1990

	Quarter Ended June 30,		Year Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$972,000	$757,000	$3,349,000	$2,569,000
Net Loss	($1,738,000)	($1,475,000)	($6,224,000)	($4,719,000)
Net Loss per share in dollars	($.45)	($.55)(a)	($1.77)	($1.77)(a)
Weighted Average Number of Shares	4,187,800	2,660,000(a)	3,739,000	2,660,000(a)

(a) Restated to reflect the issuance of a dividend of 34,413 shares of common stock to the preferred stockholders on Nov. 3, 1989.

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#90218p2785 08/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHULA VISTA, CA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - First International Bank (OTC "Pink Sheets") released its 1990 second quarter earnings report, indicating outstanding progress in the achievement of its growth objectives for the first half of 1990. Second quarter earnings were up 26 percent to $178,000 from last year, with shareholders' equity increasing by 29 percent, to $3.8 million.

Compared to the same period during 1989, loans increased 40 percent from $24 million to $33.5 million. Deposits increased 20 percent from $35 million to $41.9 million.

For the six month period, net interest income increased 15.8 percent from $1.4 million to $1.6 million, and net income of $272,000, or approximately $.09 per share, is on track with 1989's record year.

Capital adequacy remains at a strong 8.32 percent. And total assets stood at $45.7 million, up 18 percent from the same period 1989.

The new Otay Mesa branch is now open for business, with a formal opening ceremony scheduled for Sept. 13, 1990, in cooperation with the Otay Mesa Chamber of Commerce. Newly organized specialty lending departments: SBA, Construction and Professional lending are poised for third and fourth quarter results.

Additionally, the Money Order Division continues to make significant market gains, having this month sold its one millionth money order.

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#90218u0157 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 6) UPI - Sources in Washington say President Bush has sent Defense Secretary Cheney to Saudi Arabia to try and convince King Fahd to allow U-S forces to land on Saudi soil. The Bush administration is concerned that Iraqi forces will NOT stop with their conquest of Kuwait, but will continue on to Saudi territory. The sources say Cheney will try to persuade Fahd to let American troops station on Saudi territory to stem a possible Iraqi attack.

The White House offered NO immediate comment on the reported Cheney trip. It also did NOT respond to a published report that says the president has ordered U-S agencies to work toward toppling Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. Sources are quoted as saying that Bush O-K'd the new effort after C-I-A

Director William Webster described Hussein as intent upon controlling the world oil market.

The United States and Vietnam are set to begin talks Monday on Cambodia. Vietnamese officials say they do NOT expect dramatic breakthroughs. But officials say they hope the two sides can make gradual progress to settle the Cambodian issue and improve U-S-Vietnamese relations. Vietnam's official communist newspaper says the biggest obstacle to Cambodia peace is the threat of the Khmer Rouge resistance group.

Regulations scheduled to be published Monday in Poland indicate that Polish classrooms will NO loger be devoid of religious instruction. The new rules call for a resumption of the teaching of religion in September, which were last offered to students before the communists took power 41 years ago. Officials responsible for the new rules say that student attendance will be voluntary.

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#90218u0158 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - The Emir of Kuwait looked hesitant and subdued Sunday in a televised statement made from an UNdisclosed location in Saudi Arabia. Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah said his nation would never give in to its Iraqi invaders. It was Al-Sabah's first public statement since the invasion of his country last Thursday.

Chances are that you would've experienced double vision if you visited Twinsburg, Ohio, last weekend. But that doesN'T mean your vision needed checking. Officials estimate the town played host to some 25-hundred sets of twins who were on hand to participate in the 15th annual Twins Day Festival.

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#90218u0165 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - Chicago Cubs Manager Don Zimmer has been involved in more than 2,500 major-league games as a player and manager, but Sunday's victory over Montreal featured something even he hasn't seen before.

Shawon Dunston scored a run on a bizarre play in the seventh inning, helping the Cubs to their 3-1 victory and three-game sweep of the Expos.

With Chicago leading 2-1 in the seventh, Dunston singled and advanced to third on a sacrifice and a groundout. With Jerome Walton batting, Duntston took off for home but was tagged out by Montreal catcher Mike Fitzgerald.

While the Wrigley Field fans sighed, Dunston headed back to the dugout. But home plate umpire Harry Wendelstedt ruled Dunston safe because

Fitzgerald stepped over the plate with the pitch on the way.

Fitgerald was charged with catcher's interference, giving Walton first base and allowing Dunston to score. After consulting the rule book after the game, pitcher Oil Can Boyd was given a balk.

Zimmer and Expos Manager Buck Rodgers agreed Wendelstedt made the correct call.

What Rodgers did see in the weekend series was his team being outscored 23-7 by the Cubs. He also witnessed a pitcher who evened his record after having a losing one at the All-Star break.

Greg Maddux, 4-8 at the break, hurled a five-hitter for his fifth straight win. Maddux, 9-9, struck out six and walked three in pitching his second complete game of the year.

In his last five starts, the 24-year-old right-hander has allowed just four earned runs and 28 hits and struck out 26 over 42 2-3 innings - an ERA of 0.84.

Boyd, 6-4, took his first loss since June 10, though he allowed just five hits in seven innings while striking out seven.

Trailing 1-0, the Cubs scored twice in the sixth. Walton walked and moved to second on Ryne Sandberg's deep fly to center, Mark Grace ripped an RBI double down the first-base line. Andre Dawson followed with an RBI triple.

Grace extended his hitting streak to 15 games and Dawson raised his average to .342 with two hits.

--- AROUND THE NL ---

Elsewhere in the National League: St. Louis ripped New York 8-3, Philadelphia beat Pittsburgh 8-6, Cincinnati stopped San Diego 6-2, Houston rapped Atlanta 6-2 and Los Angeles slammed San Francisco 12-6.

Cardinals 8, Mets 3

At St. Louis, John Tudor scattered six hits over eight-plus innings and Ozzie Smith rapped four hits, scored twice and drove in two runs to lead St. Louis. Tudor improved to 11-3 while Sid Fernandez, 7-8, took the loss after allowing five runs in four innings.

Phillies 8, Pirates 6

At Philadelphia, Von Hayes broke a sixth-inning tie with a two-run homer to help Philadelphia snap a three-game losing streak. Hayes homered off

Scott Ruskin, 2-2, for his 12th home run of the season. Don Carman, 5-0, pitched two hitless innings for the win and Joe Boever notched his 11th save.

Reds 6, Padres 2

At Cincinnati, Jose Rijo scattered five hits over nine innings and Hal Morris and Billy Hatcher hit home runs to help Cincinnati snap a three-game losing streak. Rijo, raised his record to 8-4. Calvin Schiraldi 3-4, took the loss.

Astros 6, Braves 2

At Houston, Danny Darwin drove in a run, scored twice, and won his fifth straight start to lift Houston. Darwin, 7-1, was touched for seven hits in five innings in improving to 7-0 lifetime against the Braves. Steve Avery, 1-6, dropped his fifth straight decision.

Dodgers 12, Giants 6

At San Francisco, Eddie Murray belted a pair of three-run home runs and Kirk Gibson added two more homers to power Los Angeles. Mike Hartley, 3-1, gained the win in relief for the Dodgers. Giants starter Rafael Novoa, 0-1 gave up seven runs over 3 2-3 innings.

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#90218u0170 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 6) UPI - For Lance Johnson it was a matter of pretending. For Milwaukee, the result was all too real.

Johnson drove in three runs Sunday with a triple and a single to pace Chicago to a 6-1 victory over the reeling Brewers and give the White Sox a sweep of the five-game series.

With the score tied 1-1 in the fourth inning, Johnson laced a two-run single to put Chicago ahead to stay. Of Johnson's 40 RBI this season, 21 have come with two out.

''I pretend I'm leading off and there's nobody on base and just try to get a hit,'' Johnson said. ''If I don't, I make an out.''

The Brewers, however, cannot pretend - their record speaks for itself.

The club was swept in a five-game series at home for the first time and their 0-8 homestand was the worst in Brewers history.

Johnson wasn't in the best situation to begin the contest, but he made the

most of it.

Johnson was a late addition to the lineup because hot-hitting Ivan Calderon had a jammed finger and was unable to play the outfield. Calderon who was 8 for 20 with three homers and eight RBI in the series, moved to designated hitter.

Jack McDowell, 7-6, tossed a five-hitter, needing just 89 pitches for his team-high third complete game of the season.

Chicago extended its lead to 6-1 in the seventh. Johnson belted an RBI triple, Ozzie Guillen contributed a run-scoring single, and Robin Ventura lofted a sacrifice fly.

Chicago took a 1-0 lead in the first inning on Calderon's RBI double and Milwaukee answered with a run in the first on Robin Yount's sacrifice fly.

--- AROUND THE AL ---

Elsewhere in the American League, Detroit bombed Boston 7-2, New York clipped Cleveland 5-3, Oakland beat California 4-1, Seattle blanked Minnesota 4-0 and Toronto tripped Texas 6-4. Kansas City at Baltimore was postponed by rain.

Tigers 7, Red Sox 2

At Boston, Dave Bergman stroked a two-run single and went 4 for 5 to help the Tigers snap a 10-game Fenway Park losing streak. Dan Petry, 9-7, posted his fourth win in his last five decisions. Jerry Don Gleaton notched his fifth save to help halt Boston's six-game winning streak. Mike Boddicker, 11-7, suffered the loss.

Yankees 5, Indians 3

At New York, Roberto Kelly hit a two-run home run in the bottom of the ninth inning to lift the Yankees. With one out, Wayne Tolleson reached on an infield single and Kelly followed by belting pitch from Steve Olin, 1-3. Greg Cadaret, 4-4, recorded two outs for the win.

Athletics 4, Angels 1

At Anaheim, Calif., Rickey Henderson homered and Mark McGwire capped a three-run eighth inning with a two-run single. McGwire's two-out single broke up a tight pitching duel between Dave Stewart, 15-8, and California starter and loser Chuck Finley, 14-5. Dennis Eckersley notehed his 35th save.

Mariners 4, Twins 0

At Seattle, Billy Swift, Gene Harris and Keith Comstock combined on a three-hitter, also snapping the 25-game hitting streak of Minnesota's Brian Harper. Harris, 1-1, earned the victory after replacing Swift, who was hit on the forehead by a line drive. Comstock gained his first save. Minnesota starter Allan Anderson dropped to 4-15.

Blue Jays 6, Rangers 4

At Arlington, Texas, Fred McGriff scored the go-ahead run in the sixth inning and came up with two of Toronto's 12 hits off Nolan Ryan, 11-5, to help end the Rangers' six-game winning streak. John Cerutti, 8-7, gained the victory and Tom Henke collected his 23rd save.

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#90218u0224 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 6) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

BATTING

(Minimum 275 at-bats)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	352	84	117	.332
Palmeiro, Tex	390	51	128	.328
Harper, Min	331	44	107	.323
Griffey, Sea	419	69	134	.320
JoReed, Bos	388	52	123	.317
Quintana, Bos	319	38	101	.317
Sheffield, Mil	360	51	113	.314
Martinez, Sea	354	53	110	.311
Boggs, Bos	410	60	127	.310
Guillen, Chi	345	45	106	.307

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	384	78	133	.346
Dawson, Chi	351	51	120	.342
McGee, StL	418	66	139	.333
Bonds, Pit	338	73	108	.320
Larkin, Cin	411	58	130	.316
Murray, LA	349	59	110	.315
Gwynn, SD	426	59	134	.315
Mitchell, SF	348	65	108	.310
Sandberg, Chi	429	83	133	.310
Jefferies, NY	392	68	121	.309

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det and J.Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 28; McGriff, Tor 24; Gruber, Tor 22.

National League - Mitchell, SF and Strawberry, NY 26; Sandberg, Chi 25; Bonilla, Pit 23; Sabo, Cin, Williams, SF and Dawson, Chi 21.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 89; J.Canseco, Oak 82; Gruber, Tor 78; McGwire, Oak 69; Parker, Mil and Bell, Tor 67.

National League - Williams, SF 86; Carter, SD 84; Bonds, Pit 77; Bonilla, Pit 72; Strawberry, NY 71; Dawson, Chi 70.

Doubles

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos 37; Puckett, Min and Boggs, Bos 31; Harper, Min and Brett, KC 29.

National League - Wallach, Mtl 30; Sabo, Cin 28; Jefferies, NY 27; Bonilla, Pit, Presley, Atl, Gwynn, SD, McGee, StL and Guerrero, StL 26.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 14; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos, Polonia, Cal Webster, Cle and Eisenreich, KC 6.

National League - Thompson, StL, L.Smith, Atl and Gwynn, SD 7; Duncan, Cin and Coleman, StL 6.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 49; Sax, NY 29; Calderon, Chi 28; Pettis, Tex 27; Reynolds, Sea 24.

National League - Coleman, StL 58; Yelding, Hou 45; Bonds, Pit 36; Samuel, LA, Nixon, Mtl and Raines, Mtl 33.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 84; Fielder, Det 71; Puckett, Min andGriffey, Sea 69; Yount, Mil 67; Canseco, Oak and McGriff, Tor 66.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 83; Dykstra, Phi and Bonilla, Pit 78; Sabo Cin 75; Bonds, Pit 73.

Hits

American League - Griffey, Sea 134; Palmeiro, Tex 128; Boggs, Bos 127; Jo.Reed, Bos 123; Seitzer, KC 121.

National League - McGee, StL 139; Gwynn, SD 134; Sandberg, Chi and Dykstra Phi 133; Larkin, Cin 130.

Pitching

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 17; Clemens, Bos and Stewart, Oak 15; Finley, Cal and Steib, Tor 14.

National League - Viola, NY 15; Martinez, LA and Drabek, Pit 14; Armstrong Cin, Tudor, StL and Gooden, NY 11.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 85 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 2.14; Finley, Cal 2.40; Stewart, Oak 2.58; Hibbard, Chi 2.85; Steib, Tor 2.96.

National League - Viola, NY 2.28; Tudor, StL 2.49; Martinez, LA, Drabek, Pit and Whitson, SD 2.76.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 158; Ryan, Tex 148; Witt, Tex 141; Hanson, Sea 139; Johnson, Sea 128; Langston, Cal 126.

National League - Martinez, LA 164; Gooden, NY 142; Cone, NY 139; Smoltz, Atl 116 and DeLeon, StL 116.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi and Eckersley, Oak 35; Schooler, Sea and Jones, Cle 28; Olson, Bal 25.

National League - Franco, NY 24; Myers, Cin 21; Smith, Hou and L.Smith, StL 18; Brantley, SF and McDowell, Phi 16.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 7; Brown, Tex 6; Leary, NY, Saberhagen, KC

and Morris, Det 5. Six players tied with 4.

National League - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl and Belcher, LA and Maddux, Chi 5. Six players tied with 4.

Shutouts

American League - Stewart, Oak 3; Appier, KC, Perez and King, Chi, Brown, Ryan, Tex, Knudson, Mil, Clemens, Bos, Welch, Oak and Black, Cle 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl and Viola, NY 3; 12 players tied with 2.

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#90218u0269 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - The South African government will meet with the African National Congress today for what's expected to be a crucial round of talks. President Frederik de Klerk's Cabinet and A-N-C leader Nelson Mandela are expected to announce an agreement on two A-N-C pre-conditions to substantive talks.

The backlog to enter the busy Houston Ship Channel was eased somewhat yesterday as officials allowed inbound and outbound ships to move. Coast Guard skimmers continued to scoop up oil from last week's 700-thousand-gallon spill. State officials were planning to use more oil-eating bacteria to break up the oil.

The jury in the drug and perjury trial of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry resumes deliberations today. The jurors have been granted access to more than 100 exhibits used in six-and-a-half weeks of testimony after requesting the evidence from Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson Saturday.

Witness testimony in the New York City case of the Central Park jogger who was raped and beaten is expected to end today with Manhattan's chief sex crimes prosecutor taking the stand. On Friday, state Supreme Court Justice Thomas Galligan told jurors they could expect to get the case this week.

For the first time since the end of World War Two, West Germany's Lufthansa airlines landed in West Berlin yesterday. The airline was granted special permission to land in the divided city to pick up Soviet children who were returning home after spending their summer vacation in East Germany.

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#90218u0341 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 6) UPI - President Corazon Aquino met Monday

with a U.S. Peace Corps volunteer and a Japanese aid worker who were released by Communist guerrillas last week in the central island of Negros after about two months in captivity.

''We talked about what I went through and I thanked her for the help that the government provided in getting us released,'' said Timothy Swanson, 27 of Cheyenne, Wyo., who was held by guerrillas for 50 days.

With Swanson was Fumio Mizuno, 36, training director of the Tokyo-based private aid group Organization for Industrial, Spiritual and Cultural Advancement. He spent 65 days in captivity.

Swanson and Mizuno were released separately Thursday in the rugged municipalities where they were kidnapped on Negros Island, 300 miles south of Manila.

The New People's Army, the 19,000-strong armed wing of the outlawed Communist Party of the Philippines, said the two were kidnapped on suspicion they were spying on the 21-year insurgent movement.

U.S. officials said they discovered Swanson's abduction while enforcing Washington's directive suspending the 29-year Peace Corps program in the Philippines and withdrawing 261 volunteers. The action was taken after information was received that the NPA planned to kill or kidnap volunteers.

Swanson, who speaks the native Ilongo dialect, dismissed suggestions he went voluntarily June 13 with the guerrillas, some of whom were reported to be his friends.

''There are grievances, but I don't think they justify what the NPA's are doing,'' Swanson said when asked if he thought the rebels were fighting for a just cause.

He said he was fed rice and salt most of the time, although several times his meal included fish, vegetables and meat. He said the guerrillas attempted to get him to accept their point of view during his captivity, which he said was ''generally boring.''

Swanson was accompanied by U.S. Ambassador Nicholas Platt during the call on Aquino at the presidential palace.

Platt told reporters the Peace Corps program would be resumed ''as soon as it is safe and agreeable to the government.''

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#90218u0371 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - An 5-month-old boy was shot in the head Monday

while sleeping in a Manhattan apartment, the city's sixth shooting incident involving a child in just over two weeks, authorities said.

The infant, who was not identified, was sleeping in a third-floor apartment when a bullet ripped through the wall of an adjacent apartment and struck the child at 12:35 a.m., said Sgt. Mary Wrensen, a police spokeswoman.

The boy was taken to nearby St. Luke's Hospital, where he was in serious but stable condition and expected to survive, hospital officials said.

Three adults and another child were in the apartment at the time of the shooting, but only the 5-month-old was injured, Wrensen said.

The shooting incident was the sixth in 16 days to injure or kill a child in New York City, police said.

On July 22, a 9-year-old girl was killed by a stray bullet as she slept in a car on a Brooklyn street. Three days later, also in Brooklyn, a 1-year-old and her father were shot to death as they sat in a car together.

A 3-year-old Brooklyn child was shot to death July 26 in his family's apartment as he lay sleeping. A 9-month-old in the Bronx was killed July 29 as he played in a walker behind a door hit by gunfire.

A 16-month-old was wounded Saturday during a holdup in a Bronx apartment house.

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#90218u0385 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA (AUG. 6) UPI - Cardinal Jaime Sin, Roman Catholic Archbishop of the Philippines, said Monday his country would not have a problem with AIDS if it were not for prostitutes working near U.S. military bases.

''We do not have any AIDS problems in other parts of the country except near where the Americans are,'' the cardinal said at the International Conference on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific.

''This is because of prostitution and so we are trying our best to do everything we can in order to solve prostitution. But it is because of poverty. They are poor people,'' he said. ''These women don't like to be prostitutes but they sometimes don't have any alternative.''

Sin's claims brought a strong defense of U.S. personnel by the president of the American Foundation for AIDS Research, Dr. Mervyn Silverman.

Silverman said the servicemen and the prostitutes could share the blame and said the U.S. military personnel were ''probably less risky than any other military people in the world.''

''I don't know whether it's the chicken and the egg here. The fact that it's near the bases could mean that the prostitutes or the Americans brought it,'' Silverman said.

''The Americans traveling around the world as part of the U.S. Army and Air Force have all been tested and are not allowed to travel if they are tested positive,'' Silverman said.

Silverman said that it did not mean they could not get infected while overseas.

''I'm not saying we are not spreading it. Believe me, I am not here as an apologist in defense of the United States,'' he said. ''As a military group (U.S. personnel) are probably less risky than others.''

Dr. Mechai Viravaidya, secretary-general of the Population and Community Development Association of Thailand, gave qualified support to Silverman's defense.

''I think the safest military person is the American military person and the safest prostitute is the Dutch and Australian prostitute,'' Viravaidya said.

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#90218u0396 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - Heavy rain in Texas kept rivers and streams flooded Monday as scattered storms swept the Southern Plains, while light showers teased drought-parched California and crews battled raging forest fires in the Northwest.

Isolated storms rolled through eastern New Mexico and southwestern Arkansas Monday as heavy rains in west Texas prompted flood warnings for the Pecos, Rio Grande and Devils rivers, the National Weather Service said.

Heavy rainfall flooded rivers and streams in southwest Texas, closing roads in Val Verde County. Widely scattered storms, some with heavy rain, pushed over the northeast Mexican coast near Brownsville.

The showers were remnants of a band of powerful thunderstorms that battered north Texas Sunday, leaving some Fort Worth streets under 4 feet of water. Several vehicles stalled in the high water, and Fort Worth firefighters were forced to rescue the occupants of one car, authorities said.

A severe thunderstorm dumped up to 4 inches of rain on Fort Worth Sunday afternoon. ''Sometimes you don't get that much rain in that amount of time during a hurricane,'' said Greg Dial, a NWS meteorologist.

Officials said slick roads caused a Dallas Fire Department engine to skid into a ditch and overturn Sunday. No one was injured, officials said.

Southern California, suffering from a four-year drought, got a teasing taste of rain Sunday night from a series of thunderstorms that moved across the area. Trace amounts of rain were reported in Los Angeles and nearby suburbs.

Thunderstorms rattled along the Colorado River in Arizona, bringing strong winds and heavy rains before moving toward Southern California.

In the Pacific Northwest, marine air brought relief to western Washington and Oregon after a weekend of temperatures in the high 80s. Temperatures dropped to 58 in Seattle overnight under fair skies, and stood at 62 in Portland, Ore.

Firefighters in central Oregon were battling a 3,300-acre forest fire that burned down 28 homes and forced thousands of people to flee the area. More than 2,000 homes were evacuated over the weekend, officials said.

More than 1,400 firefighters using 122 engines and 70 bulldozers fought the flames through the night, officials said.

A cold front pushed through the South, causing scattered thundershowers in parts of Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi. Early morning temperatures ranged from 73 in Knoxville, Tenn. 73, to 79 in Charleston, S.C. and 80 in Miami.

Heavy showers moved into western Connecticut and the Berkshires of Massachusetts Monday morning, with additional showers predicted for later in the day as temperatures headed into the 70s across most of the Northeast.

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#90218u0399 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 6) UPI - Singer Janet Jackson collapsed during a concert and was treated at a hospital and released, officials said Monday.

The singer had finished her third song Sunday when she went backstage and passed out, said her publicist, Maureen O'Connor.

She said Jackson collapsed and was taken to the emergency room at Barnes

Hospital for tests. She was released about two hours later, a hospital spokeswoman said. The hospital did not release the nature of Jackson's illness.

O'Connor said Jackson has been on the road for several months and was exhausted.

Jackson canceled a performance Thursday night in Lexington, Ky., and Sunday's show was postponed for one night.

Jackson's tour is scheduled to run through Sept. 4, O'Connor said.

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#90218u0506 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - A Western diplomat reports that Saudi Arabia has ordered a full-scale mobilization of its armed forces. The unidentified source also reports the entry of armored columns into a neutral zone next to Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. Defense Secretary Cheney is traveling to Saudi Arabia today... where sources say he'll ask the Saudi royal family for permission to station U-S troops in their country.

With the exception of technical advisers, Saudi Arabia has NEVER has allowed U-S troops soldiers to be stationed on its soil. The Bush administration hopes the Persian Gulf crisis will prompt the Saudis to change their minds. The threat to much of the world's oil supply has pushed up oil prices and caused global panic buying of U-S dollars and precious metals.

Today is the 45th anniversary of the United States atom bomb attack on Hiroshima... which led to the end of World War Two. Hiroshima Mayor Takeshi Araki marked the anniversary by calling for the abolition of nuclear weapons... and praised recent U-S-Soviet steps toward disarmament. The assembly honored the estimated 140-thousand people who died in the bombing.

Half a world away, the bombardier who dropped the A-bomb that destroyed Hiroshima says he has NO regrets or apologies because his action helped end the war. 71-year-old Thomas Ferebee said that he did NOT know the blast would wipe out the city. Said Ferebee... ''Everybody wanted the war to eg nrh9

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#90218u0522 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - Firefighters in central Oregon are battling a 33-hundred-acre forest fire that so far has destroyed 28 homes. Officials say more than two-thousand homes were evacuated during the weekend in a

residential and resort area southwest of the town of Bend. Officials say the evacuees will NOT be allowed back in their homes until this morning at the earliest.

A second round of talks between the South African government and the African National Congress began today in Pretoria. Observers say growing confidence and good will between the government and the A-N-C could produce greater strides toward dismantling South Africa's policy of racial segregation. President De Klerk and A-N-C leader Nelson Mandela are leading the delegations.

Philippine President Aquino today met with U-S Peace Corps volunteer Timothy Swanson and and a Japanese aid worker who were released last week by Communist guerrillas. Both Swanson and Fumio Mizuno spent about two months in captivity on the central island of Negros. The communist New People's Army kidnapped the men on suspicion they were spying on the insurgent movement.

A nine-month Pittsburgh Press study of Red Cross responses to more than 200 disasters nationwide shows a widespread pattern of deficiencies. While admitting that some Red Cross responses were flawless... the newspaper said in a copyright story that some workers display an ''arrogant'' drive to take charge that thwarts cooperation with local agencies and disrupts recovery operations.

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#90218u0546 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

BUFFALO, NY (AUG. 6) UPI - For the second time in less than two weeks, a Niagara Falls tourist helicopter pilot saved someone in danger of being swept over falls.

Rainbow Helicopter pilot and owner David Banks plucked Alice Goldman, 38 of Ontario from the Niagara River less than 50 yards from the brink.

Goldman allegedly attempted suicide by jumping in the river from a pedestrian bridge on Grand Island on the American side of the falls, Niagara Parks police said.

Goldman changed her mind once in the water but was unable to swim to shore and grabbed some rocks about 30 yards from the brink, police said.

Police called Banks, who hovered 4 feet above the river, allowing Goldman to grab the chopper's landing struts so Banks could haul her to shore.

''There's no doubt that the rescue would have been very difficult without the helicopter,'' said Niagara Parks Police Officer Ron Privett.

Residents living near the falls have become critical of the tourist choppers, saying their noise is a nuisance.

Police said Goldman was on a weekend leave from Toronto mental health facility and was taken to Niagara Falls Memorial Hospital for psychiatric evaluation after the rescue. Police said she will not be charged with jumping into the river, an act which usually results in a fine and arrest for perpetrators who survive.

It was the second time in 10 days that Banks has assisted authorities in a rescue. Ten days ago, a 21-foot-boat went beyond warning signs and got hung up on a reef in the Niagara River.

Banks flew out over the boat, dropped a line, and towed the boat to safety.

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#90218u0610 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney is in Saudi Arabia this morning to meet with Saudi government officials. U-S sources say Cheney will seek permission to station American troops on Saudi soil to ward off a possible Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia.

A Western diplomat says Saudi troops are launching a full-scale mobilization, including armored personnel carriers, on the border of a neutral zone next to Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

The South African government and the African National Congress are meeting today for talks aimed at securing the release of some 15-hundred political prisoners and a suspension of the A-N-C's 30-year war.

Philippine President Corazon Aquino met today with freed U-S Peace Corps volunteer Timothy Swanson and a Japanese aid worker. Both were released by Communist rebels last week after being held hostage for weeks.

55-thousand people gathered a Peace Memorial Park in Hiroshima , Japan, today to mark the 45th anniversary of the dropping of the first atomic bomb. Hiroshima's mayor called for an end to nuclear weapons and praised super-power steps toward disarmament.

The British Foreign Office says Iran could help further its reported desire to restore diplomatic ties with Britian by helping win the release of the British hostages in the Middle East. Iran and Britain broke ties 17 months ago.

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#90218u0625 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - New York City police say a five-month-old boy was shot in the head early this morning as he slept in a Manhattan apartment. He was hospitalized in serious condition. It's the sixth shooting incident involving a child in New York City in just over two weeks.

Firefighters in central Oregon continue to battle a 33-hundred-acre blaze that has burned 28 homes. The fire prompted officials to evacuate thousands of residents and tourists near the town of Bend yesterday.

Two lightning-sparked fires are burning in the California Sierra mountains near Kernville and Wofford Heights this morning. Authorities say the small brushfires could join up together and endanger the two small mountain towns.

Jury deliberations in the drug and perjury trial of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry continue this morning. The panel has been granted access to more than 100 government exhibits and 30 defense exhibits used in the trial.

Chicago's Mayor Richard Daley says he is setting up a private task force to inspect every utility which serves the city. This follows yesterday's second major power outage in eight days. 25-thousand West Side customers were left without electricity.

Forecasters in Miami say Tropical Storm Diana is continuing to gain strength and presents a threat to far south Texas. The center of the storm is now about 35 miles west-southwest of Merida, Mexico, and is moving northwest near 15 miles an hour.

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#90218u0688 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - Diplomats say Saudi Arabia has launched a full-scale military mobilization to meet the threat of Iraqi forces, which reportedly are poised inside Kuwait on the other side of the border. Oil industry sources say Iraqi troops are digging trenches around oilfields in southern Kuwait.

The Saudi movements apparently are aimed at showing Riyadh's resolve to resist Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. But few political observers believe Saddam would invade Saudi Arabia because of likely U-S military retaliation. Defense Secretary Cheney is in Saudi Arabia today for high-level talks.

In Japan, U-S and Soviet delegates to a women's peace conference in Hiroshima today joined in laying a wreath to mark the 45th anniversary of U-S atomic bombing that led to the end of World War Two. 55-thousand people reportedly attended the ceremony at Peace Memorial Park.

The South African government and the African National Congress put their growing mutual trust to work today in a second round of talks to end apartheid. The A-N-C hopes to win agreement on the release of some 15-hundred political prisoners and a suspension of the A-N-C's 30-year guerrilla war.

Chicago Mayor Richard Daley is denouncing the electric company Commonwealth Edison after the second major power outage in eight days left some 25-thousand West Side customers in the dark. Last night's outage prompted Daley to announce an investigation of all utilities serving Chicago.

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#90218u0699 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - The Bush administration says Marines will stay in Liberia as long as necessary to protect Americans gathered at the U-S Embassy in the capital of Monrovia. About 70 U-S diplomats and 300 other Americans remain in Liberia, which has been the scene of fierce fighting during a civil war.

Cardinal Jaime Sin says in Australia that the Philippines would NOT have an AIDS problem if it were NOT for prostitutes working near U-S military bases. The Roman Catholic prelate said- ''We do NOT have any AIDS problems in other parts of the country except near where the Americans are.''

Vietnam and the United States open talks on Cambodia today in New York. Vietnamese officials and media reports say gradual progress but NO swift breakthrough is expected. The talks are the first bilateral meeting on Cambodia between the two former adversaries.

In Warsaw, new government regulations published today will permit schools across Poland to resume teaching religion in classrooms on September 1st. Official religion classes will be taught in all primary and secondary schools, with student attendance voluntary.

Janet Jackson collapsed during a concert in St. Louis last night... and was treated at a hospital and released. Jackson's publicist says the pop singer had finished her third song when she went backstage and passed out. Jackson was treated and released... reportedly for exhaustion.

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#90218u0741 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange plummeted Monday in a selling wave triggered by the continued tension in the Middle East.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which tumbled 729.42 points Friday, plunged 916.23 points - or 3.1 percent - to 28,599.53, its lowest closing level since April 17.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major listed shares fell 76.14 points to 2,098.53.

Trading was slow with turnover estimated at around 330 million shares, down from 431 million shares last Friday.

The decline was almost across the board, as losers hammered advances 997 to 30, with only 34 issues escaping the sell off.

Analysts said index-linked selling sent all sectors sharply lower as no one wanted to buy until Iraq's intentions become clear.

With the lack of buyers, program-selling aimed at squeezing profits from discrepancies between the spot and futures markets was particularly potent the brokers said.

Ogawa predicted that even if the situation in Kuwait cools down, higher oil prices will hurt the market. If tensions escalate, then the Nikkei will test the 28,000 level, which is this year's low.

On the trading floor, shipbuildings like Mitsubishi Heavy Industries and Hitachi Zosen declined along with constructions and electricals such as Matsushita Electric Industrial and Sony.

Steels like Nippon Steel and Kawasaki Steel also weakened along with trading houses, electric power and financial issues.

Some textiles and foods were among the day's few scattered gainers.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks suffered their worst single day loss in more than a year on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as investors dumped issues in reaction to a drop of more than 900 points on Japan's stock market. Trading was described as active.

The blue-chip Hang Seng Index, which fell 53.23 points Friday, plunged 248.97 points - or 7.4 percent of its market value - to 3,107.98.

Prices in Japan tumbled 916.23 points as investors reacted to Japan's Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu's decision to join the West in condeming Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Volume was heavy as an estimated 2.8 billion shares changed hands, compared with 1.8 billion shares Friday.

Brokers said rumors of the Kuwait Investment Office selling off many of its blue chips increased the selling pressure.

Since Iraqi troops took control of Kuwait on August 2, the Hang Seng Index has lost more than 360 points.

Stocks went into a tail spin from the opening bell, diving more than 130 points in the first few minutes of trading.

Short rallies lacked conviction and the market continued to sink throughout the morning.

The trend held over into afternoon trading and stocks were unable to make up any ground, analysts said.

Monday's plunge was the largest drop on the Hang Seng Index since June 5, 1989, when stocks lost more than 581 points following China's brutal crackdown on mainland democracy advocates.

In Singapore, stocks closed sharply lower in heavy trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange as investors remained cautious over the situation in Middle East.

The key Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 21.45 points Friday, dived 96.03 points to 1,415.02. The narrower All Singapore Index plunged 27.17 points to 403.13.

An estimated 103.3 million shares chnaged hands, compared with 121.7 million shares Friday.

Analysts said heavy selling was evident in the market with blue chips and quality stocks bearing the blunt of the plunge.

Overseas fund managers were loading off their portfolios, market watchers said.

Analysts said the market would remain violatile and react in tandem with other overseas bourses to the tension in Middle East.

The word for the day to get out of the market, one market watcher added.

On the trading floor, only one issue managed to escape the selloff. United Overseas Land Loan gained a few cents.

Singapore Airlines foreign shares paced the declinig issues followed by Singapore Airline common stock, Development Bank of Singapore foreign shares and Singapore Press foreign shares.

Meanwhile in Manila, stock prices eased moderately in active trading on the Manila Stock Exchange.

Continuing declines of global markets, which resulted from Iraq's invansion of Kuwait last week, analysts said provided enough selling pressure to drag prices lower.

The closely-watched Manila Composite Stock Index of 25 selected issues dropped 25.62 points or 2.77 percent to 896.71.

In Seoul, stock prices on the Korea Stock Exchnage fell sharply for the fourth consecutive session. Trading was described as slow.

The Korean Composite Stock Index fell 10.02 points to 661.40 its lowest closing level of the year.

Declines far outnumbered advances 565 to 118, while 141 issues remained unchanged.

Analysts said prices fell as the recent price hikes in global oil would work against the local ecomony.

In Australia, local investors dumped blue chip stocks on the Sydney Sharemarket in the wake of the sharp decline in Tokyo.

The blue-chip All Ordinaries Index, which fell 27.2 points Friday, tumbled 41.5 points - or 2.6 percent - to 1,548.2.

An estimated 96.2 million shares changed hands, compared with 122 million shares Friday.

Analysts said prices fell across the board from the opening bell sparked by higher global oil prices which could lift inflation internationally and depress economic growth.

Market watchers said the Japanese, almost totally dependent on the Middle East for their oil, are terrified Iraq will push into Saudi Arabia, or even worse, lead to a major disruption of oil supplies.

Investors ditched industrials and resources in hectic trading.

On the trading floor, in blue chips sector, News Corp. tumbled 65 cents to $11.60, Brambles lost 20 cents to $14.40, TNT lost 10 cents to $2.48, Adsteam eased 15 cents to $3.75 and ICI fell 5 cents on $4.25.

In the banking sector, Westpac Bank fell 14 cents to $5, NAB Bank lost 24 cents to $6.56 and ANZ Bank lost 10 cents to $5.

Leading oil producer BHP crumbled 10 cents to $10.85, Santos Oil gained 14 cents to $4.88 and Woodside Oil remained unchanged at $3.12.

In the mining sector, Pacific Placer lost 13 cents to $3.15, Highlands Gold eased 3 cents to $1.76, GMK Mining lost 5 cents to 93 cents a share and Poseidon Mining fell 6 cents to $2.30.

In New Zealand, stock prices fell sharply in light trading as declines on international markets in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait sapped local investor confidence.

The closely watched Barclays Share Price Index tumbled 48.06 points to 1,716.89.

In Johannesburg, stocks turned mixed in light trading on the Johannesburg Stock exchange, as local investors adopted a wait-and-see attitude after gold shares surged last week following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Gold was pegged at $378.75 to $379.25 an ounce.

The All Gold Index was reported at 1651.0, fractionally higher than Friday's close at 1646.7.

Among heavyweights, Vaal Reefs slipped, South Vaal eased and while Hartees edged higher.

De Beers and Anglo American both lost ground.

On the industrial board, Barlows eased along with Iscor.

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#90218u0766 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - The 45th anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima , Japan, was remembered today with a ceremony at the Peace Memorial Park. 55-thousand people gathered at the park and honored those who died in the bombing with a silent prayer for peace. During a speech, Hiroshima's mayor called for an end to nuclear weapons and praised super-power efforts toward disarmament.

A five-month-old boy is in serious condition in a New York hospital after being shot in the head early this morning as he slept in a Manhattan apartment. Police say this is the sixth shooting incident involving a child in New York City just over two weeks. The baby was hit by a bullet fired from the apartment next door. Hospital officials say the infant is expected to survive.

The color of U-S currency could take on a different hue. Congress is considering legislation that would order the Treasury Department to study the option of changing the color or size of money to thwart drug dealers or money launderers. The Drug Enforcement Agency also is actively pursuing the idea. American money has NOT had a design change since 1927.

Heavy rains drenched Texas this morning, keeping rivers and streams flooded after storms yesterday left some Fort Worth streets under four feet of water. Light scattered showers didN'T do much to quench a four-year-old drought in California. Heavy showers also moved into western Connecticut and the Berkeshires of Massachusetts this morning. Cooler air is bringing relief to the Great Lakes and Pacific Northwest.

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#90218u0783 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

KOBE, JAPAN (AUG. 6) UPI - Kobe Steel Ltd. and Texas Instruments Inc. said Monday they would start manufacturing computer chips in 1992 at a $367 million plant to be built in Japan.

The companies said the new firm, KTI Semiconductor, Ltd., would build a factory in Nishiwaki in Hyogo Prefecture. Construction is slated to begin next spring with completion scheduled for 1992.

The facility will employ about 300 workers and produce 16,000 6-inch wafers a month, the companies said.

Shizuka Fukita, former general manager of Kobe's Systems Engineering Department, will serve as president of the new venture.

Shin Ohkura, a director of Texas Instruments Japan Ltd.. has been named vice president of KTI Semiconductor, the companies said.

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#90218u0791 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 6) UPI - Stock prices were broadly lower in brisk trading at midday on the London International stock exchange as worries over increasing oil prices gripped investors.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 19.9 points Friday, was down 60.4 points or about 2.6 percent to 2,224.2. The narrower top 30 industrial average was down 51.1 points to 1,742.3.

Volume amounted to around 378 million shares compared with 290 million shares traded during the same period Friday.

Analysts said prices fell across a broad front amid rapidly rising price

of global oil - or ''stagflation'' - coupled with worries of inflation in the British economy.

Brent crude oil for September delivery surged $3 a barrel around midday to $26.40 a barrel from $23.40 a barrel late Friday.

Analysts noted few large investors entered the market, instead, they preferred to stay on the sidelines beause of the unsettling influence of the oil crisis.

On the local economic front, the Central Statistical Office reported Britain's retail sales volume fell a revised 2.6 percent in June from May but was up 1.1 percent from June 1989.

Analysts noted the report went almost unnoticed by investors.

In an active oil patch, Shell Oil eased 11 cents to $8.89, Burmah Oil fell 14 cents to $11.18, Ultramar fell 13 cents to $6.30, Enterprise Oil gained 5 cents to $12.38, British Petroleum added 4 cents to $6.60, London & SCottish Marine Oil gained 14 cents to $8.66 and British Gas gained 2 cents to $4.23.

Among the some of the day's other highlights, Imperial Chemical Industries tumbled 97 cents to $17.02 and Barclays Bank PLC fell 22 cents to $6.55.

Elsewhere in Europe, in Frankfurt, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange were broadly lower at midday in active trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which lost 28.44 points Friday, was off 90.01 points to 1,750.93.

Traders said prices fell due to the crisis in the Middle East.

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#90218u0803 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - Weather around the U.S.A.

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	pc	86	59	.05
Anchorage	cy	68	56	....
Asheville	sh	88	67	.02
Atlanta	ts	93	71	.01
Baltimore	ts	82	70	1.40
Billings	sy	89	59	....
Birmingham	pc	93	69	....
Bismarck	sy	85	57	....
Boston	sh	86	71	....
Brownsville	sh	97	74	....

Buffalo sh	80	66	.23
Burlington Vt. r	83	64	.10
Charleston S.C.ts	84	80	....
Charlotte sh	87	70	.08
Chicago pc	76	58	....
Cincinnati pc	84	64	....
Cleveland pc	73	66	.07
Columbus Ohio pc	81	65	....
Dallas cy	82	65	.23
Denver cy	73	56	....
Des Moines sy	76	55	....
Detroit pc	82	60	....
Duluth sy	70	48	....
El Paso cy	87	69	....
Evansville sh	87	62	....
Fargo sy	80	52	....
Hartford sy	97	58	....
Honolulu sy	90	75	....
Houston pc	99	71	....
Indianapolis pc	85	56	....
Jackson Miss. pc	94	72	....
Jacksonville pc	92	69	....
Kansas City sy	79	55	....
Las Vegas f	108	79	....
Little Rock pc	89	66	....
Los Angeles pc	75	70	....
Louisville pc	86	65	.17
Memphis sy	90	70	....
Miami Beach pc	88	81	....
Milwaukee pc	73	55	....
Minneapolis sy	73	52	....
Nashville pc	80	71	....
New Orleans ts	100	73	....
New York r	79	68	1.80
Oklahoma City sy	86	62	....
Omaha sy	75	50	....
Orlando pc	94	75	....
Philadelphia r	83	72	.86
Phoenix f	108	87	....
Pittsburgh cy	81	67	.44
Portland Me. sh	83	69	....
Portland Ore. sy	92	59	....
Providence sh	84	72	....
Richmond ts	88	74	....
St. Louis sy	83	62	....
Salt Lake City sy	94	64	....
San Antonio pc	96	72	....
San Diego pc	77	68	....

San Francisco sy	76	56	....
San Juan pc	86	75	.05
Seattle pc	85	55	....
Spokane sy	96	66	....
Tampa pc	96	77	....
Washington ts	84	71	1.57
Wichita sy	81	58	....

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

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#90218u0812 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
PARIS (AUG. 6) UPI - Former CIA Director Stansfield Turner said in an interview published Monday that the United States does not have the military capability to intervene in the Persian Gulf.

Turner told the Paris newspaper Liberation a naval blockade of Iraq is possible but only if all Western and gulf countries take part.

He also said it was necessary for Saudi Arabia and Turkey to cut off the pipelines that transport Iraqi oil to the Mediterranean and Red seas through their territories. Both countries, fearing Iraqi reprisals, have not taken taken such a step.

Turner said the United States ''can do nothing for the moment against a well-armed military of 1 million men,'' adding that a naval operation against Iraq, while possible, would take weeks to prepare.

''Our base should be the sea,'' Turner said. ''It is necessary to transport aircraft carriers and bombers squadrons to the gulf. It would be possible to attack Iraqi targets from the aircraft carriers.''

He said it would also be possible to fly in airborne divisions but warned it would take at least half a million men to ensure the success of such an operation.

Turner said U.S. policy makers had made a mistake by emphasizing a land war in Europe when many experts have been saying for years that the gulf ''is vital to the free world.''

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#90218u0849 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for August 3: Purchases of 589,680 shares and sales of 1,036,503 shares including 172,184 shares sold short.

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#90218u0880 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - The Labor Department said Monday non-farm productivity increased 1.6 percent in the second quarter.

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#90218u0886 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

GALVESTON, TX (AUG. 6) UPI - Coast Guard officials Monday said wind shifts pushed much of the remaining 700,000 gallons of spilled oil away from the shore and back into Galveston Bay as crews worked to protect sensitive marshlands.

''From our estimates and the contractors' estimates, we have recovered at least 315,000 gallons of oil,'' said Coast Guard Petty Officer Rich Mueller. ''But the guessing game then becomes how much of what was left is evaporated or dissipated. That we don't know.''

The Coast Guard Monday planned to survey the bay by helicopter to locate the oil that had been pushed back out into the bay and to estimate the size of the remaining spill.

Capt. Tom Greene Sunday predicted cleanup efforts would take another week and that the total cost would reach $5 million. Five streams of oil, as long as 300 yards, drifted up to 2 miles into the bay after northeast winds pushed the oil offshore late Sunday, he said.

''We saw that some oil escaped and was carried back out,'' Greene said. ''Our priority was to get it off the water before it moved farther east.''

Coast Guard crews and private contractors have released about 1,500 feet of plastic deflection boom at Point Barrow, north of Houston Point, to prevent oil from seeping into wildlife refuges northeast.

Dead crabs, mussels and other small marine animals have been found along Houston Point shores.

State officials Monday planned to use more oil-eating microbes on marshlands there. Bioremediation crews Sunday used the microbes to break up oil threatening environmentally sensitive Merril Marsh near the mouth of Cedar Bayou in the northern reaches of the bay.

In bioremediation, natural microbes reduce the oil to a fatty substance that sinks and is eaten by fish. When the oil is gone, the microbes die.

''If the microbes can degrade the oil fast enough, hopefully the crabs and other animals will come back before permanent damage is done,'' said B.J. ''Buck'' Wynne, chairman of the Texas Water Commission.

''We're talking about oil on a living organic system,'' he said. ''Whether we can mitigate it enough to where the community can come back, I don't know. It's in pretty bad shape now.''

The bioremediation is a joint effort of the Coast Guard, the Texas General Land Office, Texas Water Commission and Environmental Protection Agency.

Contractors continued using skimmers on the water and vacuum trucks on the beaches around the bay to scoop up the oil spilled in the collision of a Greek tanker and three barges July 28.

Petty Officer Mark Sedwick said the area of greatest environmental concern remains the upper reaches of the bay.

''Basically, it's from the Houston Point area to Point Barrow, up near Trinity Bay,'' Sedwick said.

The Texas Department of Health Authorities reopened portions of Galveston Bay to fin fishing Saturday but the bay, a rich source of oysters, remained closed to shellfishing.

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(AUG. 6) UPI - A woman involved in a scandal that rocked the Roman Catholic Archdiocese in Atlanta has hired a church-specialist lawyer to handle possible legal action. Lawyer Tony Fontana of Abbeville, Louisiana, says he met yesterday with 27-year-old Vicki Long in Atlanta. It was revealed last week that Archbishop, Eugene Marino resigned after being romantically linked with Long. Another priest also confessed by letter to a similar involvement with Long.

A Niagara Falls tourist helicopter pilot saved a woman in danger of being swept over the falls during the weekend. Pilot David Banks plucked Alice Goldman from the Niagara River, less than 50 yards from the brink. Police say the woman attempted suicide by jumping into the river from a bridge on the American side of the falls. Police say the woman changed her mind, but was UNable to swim to shore and grabbed some rocks until the chopper hauled her to land. It's the second time in 10 days that Banks has assisted police in a rescue.

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TOKYO (AUG. 6) UPI - Mitsubishi Motors Corp. said Monday it would start a automobile manufacturing venture in Venezuela this month.

Mitsubishi, the Japanese affiliate of Chrysler Corp., said the new company will assemble Mitsubishi's passenger models Galan and Delica with components supplied by the Japanese automaker.

Venezuela currently bans imports of finished vehicles.

The venture will produce about 3,500 units in 1991, the company said.

Production is expected to eventually include small-sized trucks, the company said.

The company said the new firm, MMC Auto Motriz de Venezuela S.A. of Caracas, will be 49 percent owned by Consorcio Inversionista Fabril S.A. of Venezuela. Holding company Nissho Iwai will take a 42 percent stake.

The remaining 9 percent of the company will be owned by the Japan International Development Organization Ltd., a partnership between the government-financed Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund and 98 private companies.

Mitsubishi said it will have no stake in the venture but is expected to provide technological assistance in manufacturing Mitsubishi cars.

The new venture plans to export cars it produces to Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Chile and other Latin American and Caribbean nations in the future, the company said.

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#90218u0900 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (AUG. 6) UPI - Iraq's ambassador to France said Monday any threats against his country or the Iraqi-installed government in Kuwait could stall the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from the tiny gulf emirate.

The ambassador, Abdel Razzak al Hashimi, also said Iraq has no intention of invading Saudi Arabia, ''with whom we have solid fraternal relations and which cannot in any way be compared to Kuwait, where there has been a change of government, which demanded our assistance.''

He said any threats against Iraq or the new government in Kuwait could lead to delays in the withdrawal of the estimated 100,000 Iraqi troops that invaded oil-rich Kuwait Thursday.

Iraq previously announced that its troops would begin to pull out of Sunday but Western governments were skeptical that any such operation is under way.

In a statement he read before television cameras, the ambassador said there was absolutely no chance that the former Kuwaiti rulers could return to power.

''If certain governments continue to believe that the overthrown regime

can be re-established, they should know that they are deluding themselves '' al Hashimi said. ''The former regime of the al-Sabah family is finished. Kuwait today has a new government.''

The emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jabbar al Ahmad al Sabah, is in exile in Saudi Arabia, where he fled when the Iraqi army invaded his oil-rich kingdom Thursday.

France, meanwhile, stepped up its economic pressure on Iraq on Monday by banning the use of French cargo ships for Iraqi oil.

In a statement, the French foreign ministry also said it would refuse permission to dock at French ports for any ships at sea carrying Iraqi petroleum or under Iraqi control, including Kuwaiti tankers.

Informed sources said at least one tanker under contract to Shell Oil expected at Le Havre in mid-August would not be allowed to dock in France.

The European Economic Community on Saturday voted to boycott Iraqi oil. France took the additional step of making the embargo immediate, including shipments already at sea.

Ambassador al Hashimi lashed out against France's adoption of sanctions against the government of President Saddam Hussein, including an embargo on imports of Iraqi petroleum and a halt to arms deliveries.

He said the adoption of sanctions ''harms the major interests France has in Iraq, not only immediately but also in the future, particularly in the future.''

''Iraq notes with much regret and surprise the position taken by the French government,'' the ambassador added.

He said the adoption of economic sanctions against Iraq and Kuwait ''risk aggravating the situation and increasing tensions.'' He said those countries that adopt sanctions will suffer in the long term.

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#90218u0921 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (AUG. 6) UPI - Domestic drilling declined again last week while offshore drilling increased, energy industry surveys showed Monday.

Baker Hughes Inc. reported U.S. drilling dropped to 966 rotary rigs last week from 996 the previous week and compared to 1,022 rigs two weeks earlier. Activity was up from the same week last year when 874 domestic rigs operated.

Offshore Data Services said marine drilling activity increased last week in most areas of the world. Officials said that was coincidental to the crisis in the Middle East. Company planning and government permits for offshore drilling take too much time for such quick reaction.

The Gulf of Mexico led the way as six more rigs went back to work in those waters. That boosted the utilization rate in the Gulf to 65.4 percent with 140 rigs working out of a fleet of 214.

One more rig went to work in European waters, already a hot market, hiking the utilization rate there to 94.9 percent with 129 rigs working out of a fleet of 136.

Two more rigs went to work in other areas, increasing the worldwide utilization rate for mobile offshore rigs to 81.2 percent with 543 rigs working out of a fleet of 669.

Other relevant rig counts include 147 in Louisiana last week compared with 140 the week before and 142 the same week one year ago; Oklahoma, 124, 134 and 117; Texas, 306, 322 and 256; and Canada, 117, 122 and 198.

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(AUG. 6) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Baseball

American League

Cleveland at New York, 1 p.m.
Milwaukee at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
Chicago at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
Toronto at Texas, 8:35 p.m.

National League

Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, 2, 5:35 p.m.
New York at St. Louis, 7:35 p.m.
San Francisco at Houston, 8:35 p.m.
Edmonton, Alberta - World Championships

Roller Skating

Pensacola, Fla. - U.S. Indoor Speed Championships

Skiing

Mount Hutt, New Zealand - Men's World Cup

Tennis
Cincinnati - Men's $1.02 million ATP Championships

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#90218u0961 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
BEND, OR (AUG. 6) UPI - Weary, heat-baked firefighters struggled Monday to douse a 3,300-acre wildfire that raged through a central Oregon resort area, burning about 28 homes as thousands of residents anxiously waited to return home.

Temperatures close to 100 degrees were expected again Monday, hampering the efforts of firefighters tackling the blaze, which was 50 percent contained Sunday night. Authorities did not expect to contain the fire until at least Tuesday evening. They hoped to have it under control by late Thursday.

More than 2,000 homes were evacuated during the weekend in a residential and resort area southwest of Bend as the fire spread to an area 6 miles long and a mile wide, state Department of Forestry spokeswoman Doug Decker said Monday.

Authorities said 21 to 28 homes, some worth up to $300,000, burned down in three subdivisions nestled among scenic lodgepole pines in central Oregon's high desert country, about 120 miles southeast of Portland.

Oregon forestry officials said the Awbrey Hall blaze had caused at least $5 million damage and was the state's most destructive wildfire in 60 years, since a fire that hit Bandon on the southern Oregon coast in the 1930s.

The exact number of evacuees was uncertain because many people went to stay with friends or relatives rather than Red Cross shelters set up at high schools but estimates ranged from 3,000 to 5,000.

Many evacuated residents spent a nervous night wondering if their homes would be standing when they returned.

''They did not have all the addresses so there's going to be a lot of anxiety and surprise,'' Decker said. ''There's going to be some shocks over there.''

Others already had the bad news.

''There's my Bronco and there's my boat,'' resident Tom Davidad said Sunday as he returned to the area to survey the remains. ''I had a three-car garage.''

More than 1,400 firefighters using 122 engines and 70 bulldozers fought the flames through the night, to be joined in daylight hours by 10 helicopters and six air tankers. Crews kept the fire from making any major runs Sunday night and there were no reports of injuries.

Fire crews with bulldozers carved a 100-foot-wide perimeter around the fire late Sunday, but authorities held off on declaring containment due to more hot, dry and windy conditions expected Monday, with a chance of thunderstorms.

''They're not really feeling too secure so they will mop up the perimeter to 300 feet and are fire-safing 200 to 400 feet around the structures,'' said Department of Forestry spokesman Tom Ferguson.

The cause of the fire was under investigation but Decker said there was no lightning in the area when the blaze broke Saturday afternoon on a ridge in Shevlin Park, 6 miles southwest of Bend.

The federal government approved a request by Gov. Neil Goldschmidt for federal aid to cover about 40 percent of the costs of fighting the fire. Phil Cogan, Northwest manager of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, said Sunday the fire had cost $646,000 to fight so far.

Goldschmidt declared Deschutes County a disaster area Saturday night and the state fire marshal invoked the state's Conflagration Act, which allows rural fire departments to leave their jurisdictions to aid another district.

The blaze came just weeks after state forestry officials warned that thousands of homes around Oregon were in danger from wildfires due to very dry fuels too close to structures after four years of drought conditions.

''Some of us believed that this was a distinct possibility,'' Decker said.

The area near Mount Bachelor, a popular ski resort, has lured thousands of retirees and other new residents in recent years.

Millworker Ron Beckingham was evacuated Sunday from his home near Bend, a town of about 20,000 where the fire's smoke cast a hazy pall. He said he returned home to find Red Cross volunteers telling people to leave immediately.

''We came down to Bend High School and have been treated like gold,'' he said. ''People are just super. We're eating really well and being well taken care of.''

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#90218u0978 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS (AUG. 6) UPI - Holland Monday imposed an embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil shipments to the huge European oil depots in the major port of Rotterdam, a Foreign Ministry spokesman announced.

''In keeping with the European Community decisions last Saturday we have decided to ban oil shipments to Rotterdam from these two countries,'' Foreign Ministry spokesman Robbert van Lanschot told United Press International.

The EC decided last Saturday to ban oil imports from Iraq and Kuwait and to freeze the two countries' assets in member countries.

Holland's port of Rotterdam, the world's largest oil harbor, handles 85 million tons of crude oil a year, some 12 million tons of which comes from Kuwait or Iraq.

Cargo already paid for or under way to Rotterdam was not affected by the embargo.

''We are banning all new shipments. Not those already contracted for, paid and under way,'' van Lanschot said.

The spokesman added that all Iraqi and Kuwaiti assets in the Netherlands were to be frozen. The sum of Iraqi assets was not known but said to be ''limited.'' Kuwait is believed to have assets of $1.3 billion.

An Economics Ministry spokesman said all main petroleum companies operating in Holland were to meet late Monday in Rotterdam to discuss the Dutch and EC embargo.

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#90218u0981 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Aug. 6:

. City	Local Time	Temp F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	58	14
Amsterdam pc	1pm	63	17
Ankara cy	3pm	66	19
Athens c	2pm	84	29
Auckland r	12a	59	15
Beijing r	8pm	82	28
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	71	22
Bonn pc	1pm	70	21
Brussels cy	1pm	62	17

Cairo c	2pm	93	34
Casablanca c	12n	87	31
Copenhagen pc	1pm	66	19
Dakar pc	12n	84	29
Dublin pc	1pm	64	18
Geneva cy	1pm	74	23
Helsinki c	2pm	67	20
Hong Kong cy	8pm	85	30
Jerusalem c	2pm	82	28
Karachi c	5pm	-	-
Lisbon c	1pm	87	30
London cy	1pm	66	19
Madrid c	1pm	90	32
Malta c	1pm	87	30
Manila cy	8pm	83	28
Moscow c	3pm	79	26
Nairobi pc	3pm	71	22
Nassau c	7am	82	28
New Delhi pc	6pm	92	33
Nice c	1pm	81	27
Oslo pc	1pm	67	19
Paris pc	1pm	70	21
Pretoria pc	2pm	67	20
Riyadh c	3pm	107	41
Rome pc	1pm	84	29
Seoul c	9pm	82	28
Sofia c	2pm	81	27
Stockholm pc	1pm	67	20
Sydney c	10pm	54	12
Taipei c	8pm	87	31
Tokyo c	9pm	81	27
Tunis cy	1pm	87	30
Vienna cy	1pm	82	28
Warsaw cy	1pm	73	23
Latin America			
Buenos Aires cy	9am	65	18
Caracas pc	8am	73	23
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	58	15
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	70	21
Santiago pc	8am	40	04
Canada			
Calgary c		85	29
Edmonton pc		87	30
Montreal r		81	27
Ottawa cy		72	22
Regina c		86	29

Toronto cy	77	25
Vancouver c	85	29
Winnipeg c	83	28

c-clear

cy-cloudy

d-dust

fy-foggy

hz-haze

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

s-snow

w-windy

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $382.60, silver base of $4.90 and platinum price of $484.00:

Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$398.40	392.00
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	204.40	201.00
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.00	103.30
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.40	42.70
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	392.00	392.00
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	201.20	201.20
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.50	103.80
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.70	42.70
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	404.80	398.30
China Panda .50 troy oz.	208.50	205.20
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.20	106.40
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.70	46.50
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.90	27.50
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	398.50	392.20
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	203.60	200.40
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	102.90	101.30
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.30	43.60
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	396.50	391.20
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	205.30	202.50

Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.40	104.00
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.20	44.20
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	396.80	391.00
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	204.00	201.00
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.60	85.30
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.30	44.70
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.00	22.80

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.31	$6.26
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,490	$3,450
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,525	$1,500

Platinum		
Australian Koala	508.00	508.00
Isle of Man Noble	496.00	496.00
Canada Maple Leaf	513.00	513.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90218u1027 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - Diplomats Monday reported a full-scale Saudi military mobilization and the deployment of armored columns next to a neutral oil-extraction zone separating Saudi Arabia from Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. Iraqi forces reportedly were poised in Kuwait on the other side of the neutral zone.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney arrived Monday in Saudi Arabia, where sources said he would seek permission to place U.S. troops in the strategic Persian Gulf nation to repel Iraqi forces should they launch an attack from Kuwait.

President Bush sent Cheney to the Middle East after expressing skepticism over Iraq's claim Sunday it had begun withdrawing the 100,000-strong force that invaded Kuwait Thursday and seized the tiny sheikhdom over an oil and border dispute.

The West has pressured Turkey and Saudi Arabia to shut down oil pipelines carrying Iraqi oil to protest the Kuwait invasion but Iraq announced that it had shut one pipeline itself and restricted another.

The Washington Post, quoting anonymous sources, reported Monday Bush ordered U.S. agencies to begin secretly planning to destabilize and topple Saddam. The Post quoted the sources as saying Bush initiated the effort after meetings in which CIA Director William Webster described Saddam as a ruthless leader determined to control world oil prices.

In the aftermath of the report, the Iraqi News Agency reported about 4 million people were being trained in evacuation drills in Baghdad, Basra and other cities, because authorities wanted to be prepared for any attack.

It said thousands of members of the ruling Ba'ath Party had been armed to defend the nation as tens of thousands of civilians flocked to join the military.

''The door will remain open for more volunteers,'' INA quoted the Baghdad commander of the newly created Kuwaiti Popular Army.

In New York, the U.N. Security Council scheduled a meeting Monday to resume consultations on sanctions against Iraq, which had accused Kuwait of stealing oil from a border well and of driving up oil prices through overproduction. The proposed sanctions included an oil embargo against Iraq.

In Ankara, Turkey, officials said Iraq had closed one of its two oil pipelines crossing Turkey to the Mediterranean and cut the flow in the second to 70 percent. Iraq informed Turkey the cuts were ordered because of reduced demand.

Two pipelines from the Kirkuk oilfields in northern Iraq carry a total of 1.5 million barrels a day to Yumurtalik, some 275 miles south of Ankara.

On the New York Stock Exchange, the Dow Industrials plunged more than 100 points on opening Monday before rebounding slightly, as the tension in the Middle East sparked a barrage of selling.

In Tokyo, Japan's decision to join Western allies in imposing economic sanctions on Iraq sent the key Nikkei stock market average down more than 900 points Monday at the conclusion of trading, a drop of more than 3 percent.

Japan said Sunday it would embargo oil imports from Iraq and suspend billions of dollars of aid to the cash-strapped country.

Reports from Kuwait belied Baghdad's claims its troops had started to withdraw and said military movement began on the Saudi side of the border.

Western and Middle East diplomats based in Riyadh said Saudi armored

columns moved north overnight and were deployed on the edge of a neutral oil-extraction zone administered by Kuwait and also possessed by Saudi Arabia.

The Saudi movements apparently were aimed at showing Riyadh's resolve to resist Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

''The armored columns have not crossed the border into the neutral zone, but their reconnaissance units went in and came out last night,'' a Middle Eastern diplomat said.

One report said between 200 and 300 tanks were involved in the maneuvers.

The contested area is shared by Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, and sits on the Persian Gulf. A second zone in the desert to the west is administered by Iraq and Saudi Arabia.

The Saudi air force was at its highest state of alert, the diplomats reported.

Saudi Arabian news services announced a full mobilization of the nation's armed forces, which has about 95,000 troops and top-range fighters supplied by the United States.

The services said Saudi officials had authorized Saudi youths of military service age to carry arms, and that all reserves had been called up.

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#90218u1082 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (AUG. 6) UPI - A man apparently obsessed with the late actress Marilyn Monroe called police and claimed responsibility for spray-painting graffiti on a newly dedicated statue of President John F. Kennedy, officials said Monday.

The vandaliam, discovered Sunday, included a white splotch of spray paint on the forehead of the 8-foot bronze statue and the word ''murderer'' on the memorial's granite base.

The defacement took place on the 28th anniversary of Monroe's death by suicide. The blond sexpot has been linked romantically to Kennedy in some published reports in recent years.

''The individual that did this was one sick turkey,'' Capitol Police Lt. Paul McDonald told the Boston Herald. ''Many tourists have come up today and been shocked and dismayed.''

The man telephoned Capitol Police early Sunday morning ''ranting that

(Kennedy) 'is a murderer, the statue is a disgrace,''' said McDonald. The caller also mentioned Monroe's death, he said.

Capitol Police Capt. Paul Mahoney said the caller, if arrested, would be charged with malicious destruction of property, which could be a felony depending on the amount of damage.

Workers were hosing the spray paint off the base of the statue Monday morning.

''We've got the conservator (of the statue) coming to look at it and we've got a call in to the artist to come and look at it,'' said Greg Arnold, superintendent of state buildings. ''We're only addressing the base. As far as the statue, we're going to let the conservator do it.''

The statue, which depicts a standing Kennedy striding forward on the Statehouse lawn, was dedicated May 29 on what would have been Kennedy's 73rd birthday. His widow, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, and daughter Caroline Kennedy Schlossberg, joined the president's youngest brother, Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., at the dedication.

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#90218u1084 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - Fire authorities say a wildfire raging in central Oregon probably will NOT be contained until this evening at the earliest. The 33-hundred-acre blaze has destroyed nearly 30 homes in an area southwest of the town of Bend. More than two-thousand homes were evacuated during the weekend as the flames spread.

Coast Guard officials say shifting winds pushed much of the remaining 700-thousand gallons of spilled oil away from the Texas shore and back to Galveston Bay. The Coast Guard plans to survey the bay by helicopter today to locate and estimate the amount of oil remaining.

A federal jury is deliberating a fourth day, trying to decide the fate of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry. Jurors held a rare session during the weekend trying to reach a verdict on all 14 drug and perjury counts against Barry. If convicted, Barry could get a maximum 26 years in jail and face nearly two-Million dollars in fines.

New York police say a bullet tore through the wall of a Harlem apartment today, hitting a five-month-old baby in the forehead as he slept. The infant is hosptialized in critical condition but is expected to live. The latest incident is the city's sixth random shooting of a child in recent weeks.

#90218u1088 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - U.S. Marines sent into war-torn Liberia have evacuated 62 Americans, two Italians, a Canadian and eight Liberians from the West African country but some 300 Americans remain, apparently voluntarily, U.S. officials said Monday.

''They've had three weeks or more to get out of there, so I guess they want to stay,'' a Pentagon spokesman said.

No shots were fired during the U.S. evacuation, officials said.

President Bush ordered some of the 2,400 Marines on four U.S. warships off the coast of Liberia, including the helicopter carrier USS Saipan, to move into the capital of Monrovia and secure the U.S. Embassy.

With two U.S. Harrier jets providing cover, 15 helicopters carried 255 combat Marines into Monrovia at about 5 a.m. EDT Sunday to ''safeguard lives ... and provide additional security for those (Americans) who remain '' White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said.

By midday Monday, the Marines had evacuated 62 Americans - 51 U.S. government employees and 11 private citizens - along with eight Liberian dependents of Americans, two Italians and a Canadian, the Pentagon said.

Of those evacuated Americans, 35 were flown to Freetown in neighboring Sierra Leone and then on to London, where travel arrangements were being made for travel to the United States.

''Marine Corps helicopters will continue to ferry back and forth from the U.S. Embassy to the USS Saipan at unspecified times,'' the Pentagon said.

The State Department said the ''drawdown'' of embassy staff was successful and that 41 embassy personnel, including the U.S. ambassador, will remain in Monrovia.

In addition, 237 of the combat Marines will remain at the U.S. Embassy ''as long as necessary to ensure the safety of U.S. citizens in that country,'' Fitzwater said.

U.S. personnel were evacuated from the embassy and two communications sites.

About 300 Americans still remain in Liberia, the scene of fighting between government troops and two rebel groups, the State Department said.

Bush decided Saturday to send the Marines into Liberia after rebel faction leader Prince Johnson threatened to arrest Americans and other foreigners

to provoke international intervention in the 6-month-old civil war.

The Marine unit's mission was to secure the U.S. Embassy, remove workers from two Voice of America transmitter sites and evacuate Americans wishing to leave.

Fitzwater said the United States informed Liberian President Samuel Doe of the operation beforehand. Doe was told the United States had no intention to intervene or take sides in the war, Fitzwater said.

But he could not confirm whether the United States had been able to notify Johnson's breakaway rebel faction or the original rebel group headed by Charles Taylor, now a bitter rival of Johnson's.

Johnson, whose troops have occupied much of the city in their battle to oust Doe, had said he told his men to single out American, British, Lebanese and Indian civilians for detention first. He said the arrests would start Monday.

Liberia was founded in 1822 by former U.S. black slaves who settled there with the assistance of the American Colonization Society, a private organization dedicated to the African repatriation of freed slaves. It became a republic on July 26, 1847.

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#90218u1096 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - Responding to a request from Philippine President Corazon Aquino to President Bush, the U.S. Export-Import Bank Monday offered a $170 million guarantee to support $200 million in American exports slated to help the Asian country rebuild in the wake of the devastating July 15 earthquake.

Commercial bank loans extended under the guarantee facility will carry a 10-year repayment term, and will finance 85 percent of the costs of U.S. goods and services needed to restore buildings, schools, bridges, water systems, road and other infrastructure, the bank said.

The earthquake caused about $900 million in damage in Northern and Central Luzon.

The Philippines is the Eximbank's fourth largest customer, and owes the bank $1.1 billion.

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#90218u1102 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Corporate profits have declined for four

consecutive quarters, reflecting a weakness in the U.S. economy that analysts expect will not turn around soon, according to a Wall Street Journal quarterly review of corporate earnings.

In the second quarter, net income of 639 major corporations fell 11 percent from a year earlier, while after-tax earnings on continuing operations fell 7 percent, a Journal survey showed Monday.

Analysts said companies are moving to shore up profit margins by holding down labor costs through slower hiring.

Earnings fell for autos, banks, thrfits and steel in the second quarter, while oil companies and the computer industry posted mixed performances.

''Below average economic growth will hold profits essentially flat over much of the 1990-92 period,'' according to the consulting firm of DRI-McGraw-Hill in Lexington, Mass. ''Although no recession is expected soon, neither is a boom.''

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#90218u1108 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 6) UPI - The grain market was mostly higher at midmorning Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade, although gains were limited by sharply lower prices on the New York Stock Exchange.

Soybeans rallied to session highs within a few minutes of the opening bell in active trading. Some of the demand was based on inflationary fears due to the tension in the Middle East and higher oil prices.

Soybean meal was higher on reports of strong bids on European markets.

Corn was fractionally higher on spillover from the soybean pit but gains were limited by fairly active commercial selling.

Cool weather across the Midwest provided underlying support for corn and soybeans. Record low temperatures for the date were reported overnight in the western Corn Belt.

Even so, traders said the corn and soybean crops remain in good condition.

Follow-through selling and the continued lack of export business pressured wheat.

Country movement was light during the weekend.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.49 3/4 up 1/4; Dec 2.45 1/4 up 1; Mar 2.53 1/4 up 1.

Soybeans Aug 5.89 1/2 up 3; Sep 5.93 3/4 up 3 1/4; Nov 6.01 1/2 up 4; Jan 6.12 up 4 1/4.

Wheat Sep 2.79 1/4 off 1 1/4; Dec 2.95 off 2; Mar 3.03 3/4 off 1/2.

Oats Sep 1.15 3/4 up 1 3/4; Dec 1.25 3/4 up 1; Mar 1.36 1/4 up 1.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 73.00-74.00 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 141.40 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$265.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.50-$118.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $492.00-$494.00; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $118.00-$119.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 293.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 77.50-87.75 c-lb.

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(AUG. 6) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
USUAL				
Commerce Bncshrs	Q	.18	9-28	9-10
KMS Industries	Q	.03	9-14	8-15
Lincoln NC Rlty	Q	.15	9-5	8-16
Mission West Props	Q	.10	8-31	8-13
Northwest Publ Svc	Q	.36 1/2	9-1	8-15
Old National Bncp	Q	.21	9-14	8-31
PennEngineer&Mfg	Q	.20	10-2	9-14
Rayonier Timber cl-A	Q	.90	9-28	8-31
Savannh Fds & Ind	Q	.09	10-1	9-10
Synalloy Corp	Q	.10	9-3	8-15
Temple-Inland Inc	Q	.20	9-14	8-31
Wendy's Intl	Q	.06	8-27	8-13

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AUG. 6) UPI - Yugoslavia's inflation rate rose to 2.2 percent in July, fueled by large increases in utility rates, housing and transportation, the government said Monday.

Branko Maricic, deputy secretary for prices, said the utility, housing and transportation price hikes were implemented by the administrations of Yugoslavia's six republics following the end of freezes imposed by federal authorities.

The freezes were implemented late last year as part of Prime Minister Ante Markovic's program to cool raging inflation, which totaled 2,600 percent for 1989.

The freezes were relaxed June 22 after anti-inflation policies resulted in tightening of the domestic money supply, liberalizing of import policies and making the dinar the first convertible currency in Eastern Europe.

The policy produced negative inflation rates beginning in May, and Maricic said that with the service sector price rises excluded, the level for July would have been minus 1.7 percent.

Higher housing and utility costs accounted for 66 percent of total inflation for July, which averaged 2.2 percent for all sectors, said Maricic. Public transport fare increases accounted for 22 percent of the total, he added.

He said the government expected monthly inflation rates of less than 1 percent for the rest of the year.

For the period of July 1989 to July 1990, he said, retail prices had risen 1,112 percent, service sector prices increased 1,276 percent and industrial producer prices rose 1,063 percent.

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#90218u1125 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - The government Monday approved a drug to treat a breathing disorder that affects about 50,000 babies born prematurely in the United States each year and kills some 5,000 infants.

The Food and Drug Administration approved a synthetic form of a naturally occurring substance known as surfactant to treat babies born with respiratory distress syndrome.

The drug has been shown to reduce by as much as half the death rate of very prematurely born infants, researchers said.

''This will make a significant impact on neonatal and infant mortality in the United States,'' said Dr. Anthony Corbet, an associate professor at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston who has studied the substance.

Respiratory distress syndrome is a condition that most commonly afflicts premature babies, whose lungs tend to be underdeveloped and often collapse. The syndrome is the leading cause of death and disability among premature infants.

Of about 250,000 infants born prematurely each year in the United States, up to 50,000 have the condition and about 5,000 die. In 1963, a baby boy born to President Kennedy and his wife died of the condition.

Surfactant is a naturally occurring foamy substance that coats the inside of the lungs and keeps them from collapsing when the infant exhales. Premature babies often lack surfactant.

Dr. John Clements of the University of California at San Francisco

developed a synthetic form of surfactant in powdered form that can be mixed with sterile water and administered to a baby's lungs through a tube in the windpipe.

Surfactant can be given in up to three doses immediately after birth to high-risk infants weighing less than 3 pounds or in two doses to infants who have developed the disease, the FDA said.

Burroughs Wellcome Co. of Research Triangle Park, N.C., which licensed the drug from Clements, will distribute surfactant under the trade name Exosurf Neonatal.

The drug was designated an ''orphan drug'' by the FDA under a program that provides incentives for development and production of drugs and other medical products to treat conditions affecting small numbers of patients.

The FDA made the drug available experimentally in July 1989. The company applied for general approval in February.

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#90218u1130 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AUG. 6) UPI - Lotus Development Corp., a computer software maker caught in a profit squeeze, said it began laying off 40 employees Monday as part of cost-saving measures that include a hiring freeze through much of the company.

Most of the cuts will be in Massachusetts, where Lotus employs about 2,000 of its 3,100-person workforce, said spokesman Richard Eckel.

However, Lotus said it will continue to hire for some parts of the company and expects to add from 150 to 200 new people this year, which ''should result in a net increase in the number'' of employees, Eckel said.

Also, Eckel said the cuts alone would result in a net decrease in jobs of fewer than 20, because some job descriptions are being changed and will be filled with new hires.

Eckel said the cuts and hiring freeze resulted from ''new priorities based on where we're headed'' though he said he does not know what those priorities are. As for the company's recent disclosure it would have lower earnings in the current quarter than a year ago, Eckel said ''obviously, I can't say it's completely unrelated, but it's that and looking at the changing needs of the business.''

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#90218u1142 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

HO CHI MINH CITY, VIETNAM (AUG. 6) UPI - Vietnamese authorities arrested more than 30 ethnic Vietnamese, including some allegedly trained by the CIA, in a campaign against agents trying to destabilize the communist regime, an official source said Monday.

But officials and legal sources said a recent security crackdown in Vietnam has included far fewer arrests than the thousands charged by Western human rights groups.

Vietnamese officials and media reports, meanwhile, said gradual progress but no swift breakthrough was anticipated in the first U.S.-Vietnamese talks on Cambodia.

''If we have a good first step, then the following steps are a matter of time,'' said Tran Bach Dang, a senior political adviser to Communist Party leader Nguyen Van Linh.

Dang, who conferred with Linh last week, said in an interview he expected progress in Monday's talks in New York between the Vietnamese ambassador to the United Nations, Trinh Xuan Lang, and Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Kenneth Quinn.

The talks, the first bilateral meeting on Cambodia between the two former wartime foes, follow the announcement of a new U.S. policy on Cambodia that ends diplomatic support for the three-party resistance coalition fighting the Vietnamese-installed government in Phnom Penh.

A Vietnamese carrying a foreign passport was arrested last month at Ho Chi Minh City's Tan Son Nhut Airport with 17.6 pounds of gold meant to finance sabotage activities, a senior Communist Party official who asked not to be identified said Monday.

''He had the gold, a list of names and instructions on sabotage,'' the official said, but declined to say whether the unidentified suspect would be formally charged.

He said about 30 other Vietnamese exiles, some armed, were arrested in mid-June in the Central Highlands region around Dalat, about 150 miles north of Ho Chi Minh City.

He said the dissidents infiltrated through Cambodia and Laos from camps in Thailand after training by the CIA. He said they appeared to belong to a California group known as the National United Front for the Liberation of Vietnam.

The group was responsible for at least two previous armed attempts to infiltrate into Vietnam through Laos.

Lao and Vietnamese army troops smashed the two attempts, killing dozens of the intruders and capturing 115 others in 1987 and 1989. The prisoners were returned to Vietnam for trial and punishment.

The party official, however, said there was unlikely to be any public trial of the most recent group, as most had already been moved to labor camps.

He said the infiltration along with activities of other anti-government groups had endangered security in the highlands.

For the past several months, he said, security authorities have banned most foreigners from traveling to the area.

Independent sources said part of the security problem in the area was caused by unemployed former Vietnamese soldiers who have turned to armed robbery in the area following their return from fighting in Cambodia.

Vietnamese security agencies have stepped up controls on foreign visitors, especially overseas Vietnamese, because of a belief the CIA has mounted efforts to overthrow the Vietnamese Communist Party in mass protests such as those in Eastern Europe.

Official media have repeatedly warned against such a plot and reported the seizure of more than 3,000 subversive documents.

The security campaign has included the arrest or investigation of a number of Catholic intellectuals and dissident communists.

One government official estimated the number of arrests in Ho Chi Minh City at fewer than 100, with a smaller number in the rest of the country.

That is far fewer than the 16,000 arrests charged by the International League for Human Rights in testimony before the U.N. Human Rights Committee in Geneva last month.

Independent legal sources also said the human rights group was mistaken.

Some Communist Party officials believe the still-powerful security agencies have been overenthusiastic in their hunt for anti-government activists.

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#90218u1152 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, Monday predicted the Persian Gulf crisis could cause long lines at the gasoline pump by Christmas, but suggested quick Senate action on his bill to open Alaska's North Slope to exploration might soften the blow.

Stevens met with reporters before returning to the state for the August recess and used the occasion to promote his legislation that has been stalled since before the Exxon Valdez ran aground in Price William Sound, fouling Alaska's shoreline with millions of gallons of crude oil.

It would open about 1 million acres of environmentally fragile coastal plain east of the Prudhoe Bay field to exploration.

Stevens said many in the oil industry think the area, if there is oil there, has reserves that would exceed those of Saudi Arabia. And he suggested that in anticipation of finding oil there the flow of the Prudhoe Bay field could be boosted to make up for shortfalls in oil caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Exploration in the region, he said, has been stalled since 1980, even though three separate environmental studies have cleared the effort.

''If I'm right there's going to be gas lines by Christmas and when people (senators) come back here next year, if they don't pass this bill before then, next year they're going to be looking places and mandating the development of places like the Outer Continental Shelf and public lands,'' said Stevens.

But, he said, if his bill is passed, U.S. supplies would be increased. He also noted that Prudhoe Bay production is gradually declining.

''If we haven't learned a lesson from this then I say we will just have ignored the warning like at Pearl Harbor. This is just as much of a situation for the United States as was the warning at Pearl Harbor, totally ignored,'' said Stevens.

''We're in a war of reserves, military reserves and oil reserves. If we put an economic embargo on (Iraqi leader Saddam) Hussein and Iraq, the question is how long can the world maintain that. Do we have the (oil) reserves to maintain it, the reserves to say, 'Let's not any of us buy the substantial amount of oil he has under his control,''' said Stevens.

He said motorists should not be angry at service station operators for raising prices, noting that they must buy replacement gasoline for their tanks at prices that have been driven up by the Iraqi invasion and for purely market reasons must recoup their higher costs.

Even though a station owner may have tanks full of gasoline that cost him $1 per gallon, he must charge more at the pump when the replacement gasoline costs him $1.20 a gallon.

Stevens expressed the opinion that Hussein is aiming to drive the price of

Persian Gulf oil up to $30 a barrel.

September contracts began the day up $2.51 to $27, reflecting concern over the unresolved crisis in the Middle East.

The price of crude oil futures for September delivery soared above the $26-a-barrel level by mid-afternoon Friday but retreated later in the day on a reassuring statement by Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze conveying an Iraqi pledge that Baghdad would remove its troops from Kuwait during the weekend.

But when the market opened, there was no evidence of withdrawal, and major industrialized nations had announced an embargo of Iraqi oil.

The New York market followed an even stronger price surge in London, where the widely traded British Brent from the North Sea was quoted at $27.30 a barrel, compared with a close of $22.70 a barrel Friday.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 6) UPI - President Corazon Aquino said Monday rebel soldiers had been circulating handbills threatening another coup attempt and that the military was taking measures to surpress the possible uprising.

Aquino said armed forces chief Gen. Renato de Villa had reported that rightwing elements were distributing handbills threatening a weekend coup.

''He informed me that all necessary measures were being undertaken in order to prevent another coup attempt,'' Aquino said at a regularly scheduled news conference.

Maj. Gen. Cesar Nazareno, chief of the Philippine Constabulary, said special forces had been placed on alert but denied news reports that a maximum state of preparedness has been called for the 159,000-member armed forces.

''We are not really expecting any destabilization from these ultra-rightists,'' Nazareno said. ''Their capability remains on the terrorist level - abduction, kidnapping, bombing.''

He said he did not think the rebel soldiers could mount another rebellion on the scale of the Dec. 1-9 uprising last year in which 119 people were killed and more than 500 were injured.

The December coup attempt was the sixth and worst insurrection against Aquino since she took office four years ago in a popular uprising.

The coup rumors are being fueled by a widening rift between the armed forces and the National Bureau of Investigation over the July 10 killing of army Col. Rolando de Guzman and two of his aides.

The NBI said de Guzman was a drug trafficker caught with $10 million worth of heroin during a sting operation that erupted in a ''shoot-out.'' The military said de Guzman's slaying was a ''cold-blooded rubout.''

The NBI is headed by retired Manila Police chief Gen. Alfredo Lim, who helped Aquino crush the December coup attempt.

Also in the Philippines Monday, gunmen shot and killed a high ranking police officer and his driver in the southern port city of Davao. Authorities could not immediately determine if the slayings were the work of communist New Peoples Army guerrillas, who have been responsible for the assassinations of police officials in the past.

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#90218u1175 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 6) UPI - The wife of African National Congress President Oliver Tambo returned home from 30 years in exile Monday, but her husband remained in London undergoing medical treatment for a stroke he suffered a year ago.

Dozens of ANC members, among them black leader Nelson Mandela's wife, Winnie, turned out to greet Adelaide Tambo on her arrival to attend the launch of the ANC's Women's League, in the Indian Ocean port city of Durban planned for Thursday.

Mrs. Tambo's arrival coincided with the start of an important round of talks between the ANC and the government Monday aimed at clearing obstacles still standing in the way of formal power-sharing negotiations.

The Sunday Times reported that Tambo, president of the ANC for 23 years, is expected to surrender leadership in December, when the ANC holds its first annual conference in 30 years in South Africa following the movement's unbanning in February.

Mandela is deputy president of the ANC, but he would not automatically assume the presidency. The ANC congress will decide the issue of leadership.

The 72-year-old Tambo suffered a stroke in August 1989 in exile in Lusaka.

ANC spokeswoman Gill Marcus said Tambo did not return with his wife to avoid interrupting his medical treament, but she said the ANC president

would return for the December ANC meeting to deliver an address.

''We know there has been lots of speculation,'' Marcus of the rumors Tambo will officially step down in advance of the first election inside South Africa of an ANC leader since Nobel Peace Prize winner Albert Luthuli was voted president in 1952.

''Obviously, he's not well, but as far as we're concerned it has never come up for discussion.''

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#90218u1187 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - The government said Monday it would lift its agricultural quarantine on parts of four southern California counties because it has been at least 14 weeks since Mediterranean fruit flies were found in those areas.

Enough time has elapsed, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service said, to give officials confidence that the areas were free of the destructive pest and safely could be removed from the quarantine.

State and federal officials have been battling an outbreak of the Medfly for the past year. The Mediterranean fruit fly is one of the world's most destructive agricultural pests, attacking 260 verieties of fruits, vegetables and nuts. Officials say it could cause billions of dollars in damage if it became established in the United States.

The inspection service said no flies have been found since last Nov. 5 in the Sylmar area of Los Angeles County, last Jan. 10 in the Garden Grove area of Orange County, last April 12 in Riverside County, or last April 25 in the San Bernardino City area of San Bernardino County.

As a result, quarantines were being lifted for those areas, the service said. Agricultural quarantines prohibit shipment of produce that could harbor a pest unless the material is inspected or proven to be safe.

The inspection service announcement came four days after California officials said they believed they were nearing the end of the battle against the Medfly. They said no Medflies have been found in the past three weeks.

Offsetting its announcement on the Medfly, the inspection service said discovery of Oriental fruit flies, a species related to the Medfly, had prompted an expansion of a quarantine area in Los Angeles County.

Nine Oriental fruit flies were found from July 9-12 in an area that includes Lynwood, South Gate, Downey, Paramont, Compton, Willowbrook and

Watts. The region will be added to other sections of Los Angeles and Orange counties already under quarantine for the Oriental fly, the service said.

The Oriental fruit fly attacks many of the same plants that are targets of the Medfly.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 6) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 77-80; large 73-79; medium 53-59.

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(AUG. 6) UPI - The Iraqi News Agency says about four-Million people are practicing evacuation drills in the capital of Baghdad and other cities to prepare for a possible attack. The agency also says tens of thousands of civilians have joined the military following the nation's invasion of Kuwait. The agency quotes a military commander as saying the door is open ''for more volunteers.''

In New York, the U-N Security Council is meeting today to review proposed sanctions against Iraq that could include an oil embargo against Baghdad. Before invading Kuwait, Iraq accused the tiny emirate of stealing oil from a border well and driving up prices by glutting the market. Iraq today closed one pipeline to the Mediterranean, citing reduced demand.

U-S officials say about 300 Americans remain in Liberia, one day after President Bush sent in U-S Marines to evacuate those who wanted to leave. The officials say the marines evacuated 62 Americans, two Italians, a Canadian and eight Liberians from the war-torn West African country. A Pentagon spokesman says the Americans still in Liberia apparently have decided to stay.

The Bonn government says it will investigate allegations that more than 100 West German companies illegally exported military equipment to Iraq. Word of the probe comes after a weekly news magazine cited numerous incidents in which West German firms allegedly delivered military

equipment to Iraq, despite export restrictions. West German firms are prohibited from selling military goods to Iraq... and need the government's permission to export any parts which could be used for military purposes.

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#90218u1234 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 6) UPI - An American Honda Motor Co. spokesman said Monday a report the automaker would enter the light-duty truck market and raise its U.S. vehicle sales to 1.5 million units a year by the mid-1990s was untrue.

''We have not announced plans to enter the truck market in any way whatsoever,'' company spokesman Kurt Antonias said, although he added ''Honda is studying these segments very carefully because they are potentially huge markets.''

The trade publication Ward's Automotive Reports quoted Thomas Elliot, executive vice president of auto sales operations at American Honda, as saying Honda intends to enter the U.S. truck market, which has become one of the most competitive segments of the industry. Over a third of all vehicle sales comprised of minivans, sport utility vehicles and pickup trucks.

''Eventually, we want to be in every segment of the market with the possible exception of full-size,'' Elliott told Ward's during a preview of its Acura NSX sports car last week. ''We believe that by just entering the light truck market, we can get a 5 to 6 percent share.''

But Antonias said that does not mean Honda has concrete plans to enter the market at this time.

Honda also never publicly stated its sales goals for the mid-1990s, Antonias insisted. ''We have only said that we are looking at 1 million sales a year by the early 1990s. We never said anything other than 1 million,'' he said.

Ward's, in its latest weekly issue, said Honda is gearing up to sell about 1.5 million vehicles a year in the U.S. market, which would be up over 50 percent from current projected sales of 840,000 Honda and Acura cars for 1990.

Those aggressive sales targets would also require that Honda add production capacity equal to the output of two more plants, Ward's said. Honda's North American capacity is now about 600,000 units, while its imports from Japan are likely to remain under 425,000.

Ward's said Honda is likely to enter the truck market with a compact minivan, but it is still unclear whether it would be imported from Japan or built domestically at a new plant, since Honda is already using its North American capacity and its allotment of imports.

Honda executives also said a joint venture, like the one between Ford Motor Co. and Nissan Motor Co. to produce a minivan at an Ohio plant, ''is not in the cards,'' Ward's said.

Such a minivan would also likely be based on an existing front-drive car platform and be powered by a V6 engine, with one company official telling Ward's that ''a four-cylinder engine just isn't competitive'' - an apparent shot at archrival Toyota Motor Co., which recently unveiled its Previa minivan that is powered by a 16-valve engine with four cylinders.

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#90218u1244 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - A caretaker government now controls Pakistan... where Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was fired amid charges of nepotism and corruption. Pakistan's president says he dismissed Bhutto and dissolved the National Assembly, naming the leader of the opposition to head a caretaker government. He set elections for October 24th. Army contingents moved into the capital, taking control of the television headquarters, Radio Pakistan, the Information Ministry and several government offices.

Continuing tensions in the Middle East are fueling an upward surge in crude oil prices. The price of crude oil futures for September delivery soared more than two dollars and 50 cents- to the 27-dollar-a-barrel mark- at the opening of the New York Mercantile Exhange. Industry analyst Steve Platt in Chicago says it's impossible to predict what direction the market will take since political developments in the Mideast now dominate the oil market.

The government today approved a drug to treat a breathing disorder that affects about 50-thousand American babies born prematurely each year. The Food and Drug Administration approved a synthetic form of a naturally occurring substance known as surfactant. Researchers say the drug has shown a potential to cut in half the death rate of babies born with respiratory distress syndrome. The ailment kills about five-thousand U-S infants each year.

A key member of the old Glenn Miller band has died of cancer in Los Angeles. Since 1938... Wilbur Schwartz played the clarinet that was central to the distinct big band sound. And he was in demand at recording sessions and on television until just months before he died at 72 Friday. Relatives revealed Schwartz's death today.

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ATHENS, GREECE (AUG. 6) UPI - Iran said Monday turbulence in the world oil market caused by the Iraq-Kuwait crisis was temporary and asked OPEC member-states to stick to their production quotas, the official Islamic Republic News Agency reported.

Iranian Oil Minister Gholamreza Aqazadeh told reporters in Tehran the industrialized states would fall back on their oil reserves during the crisis to tide over shortages in the market caused by a possible halt or slowdown in Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports, INRA said.

Aqazadeh, who played a leading role in the ministerial conference of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries in Geneva last month, said the turbulence in the world oil market was temporary and ''should not affect long-term policies'' of the cartel.

He called on other members to ''preserve their restraint'' and stick to the quotas set at the last OPEC conference. ''Iran will continue to observe its official output quota as before,'' Aqazadeh said.

Iran's production quota currently stands at 3.14 million barrels a day, but recent reports put its current production capacity at 3.5 million barrels a day.

OPEC also set Iraq's quota at 3.14 million barrels a day, but Iraq exported the bulk its oil by means of pipelines passing through Turkey and Saudi Arabia.

Arab diplomats said before Iraq attacked Kuwait last week that Baghdad sought a safe outlet for its oil through a water channel west of Bubiyan Island. Iran destroyed its offshore terminals at the mouth of the Shatt al Arab river during the eight-year Persian Gulf war.

Major industrial states around the globe have condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and have announced economic sanctions against Baghdad. President Bush was reported to have pressured both Saudi Arabia and Turkey to close Iraqi pipelines.

Iraq admitted Monday that demand for its oil has fallen, and closed one of two pipelines passing through Turkish territory to the Mediterranean, reducing the flow in the second by 30 percent.

A total boycott of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil (now controled by Iraq) could cut world supplies by 4.64 million barrels a day, but several other OPEC member-states have spare production capacities.

Aqazadeh said the OPEC agreement does not allow any member-state to make up for shortages in production of another member-state.

The Iranian oil minister predicted that oil prices would continue to rise for a while on the world market, but he ''was not sure how long it would continue,'' He asked OPEC member-states therefore to ''preserve their self-control.''

He said Iran sold its oil at more than $23 per barrel as a result of the crisis and ''this rising trend will probsbly continue'' for the time being. But a strike by North Sea oil workers also contributed to the recent surge in prices, he said.

Several of Aqazadeh's recent predictions om world oil trends have proved correct, but regional analysts said he had an axe to grind in asking other OPEC member-states not to produce more. Iran stands to make considerable revenue gains from price rises.

Tehran believed crude oil was underpriced on the world market even after OPEC set its target reference price at $21 per barrel at its last conference in Geneva.

Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani said after the conference that oil was selling at about $10 below what he called its real value.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 84-86; large 81-84 and mediums 61-64.

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#90218u1252 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

GALVESTON, TX (AUG. 6) UPI - Only a few birds suffered immediate effects from a 700,000-gallon crude oil spill in Galveston Bay but more victims are expected, wildlife observers said Monday.

By Sunday the Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Coalition successfully treated and washed eight sea gulls and a black crowned night heron that had been caught in the oil, said Sharon Schmalz, a coalition spokeswoman.

Two gulls were dead on arrival and an immature yellow crowned night heron died later, she said.

The minimal number of birds suffering so far from exposure to the oil could be misleading, Schmalz said. She expects more birds for treatment daily for the next few weeks.

Schmalz said migratory birds coming into the area in the fall and winter also could be affected by the residue of the spill.

Gary Clark, president of the Houston chapter of the Audubon Society, said almost 1,000 people volunteered to monitor the area for injured wildlife and to clean up the shoreline.

Clark said he anticipates more injured animals if the spill reaches into the Anahuac National Wilidlife Refuge along East Bay, home to numerous waterfowl species.

Officials also are concerned that oil seeping into the area would contaminate fish that the birds feed on.

Although the state health department reopened the bay to finfishing during the weekend, Spillway Fishing Pier owner Jim Holley said only nine people fished from his pier near Bacliff Sunday when normally there would have been about 300.

The oil has never reached the immediate vicinity of the pier, Holley said. He said the fishing appeared to be good, and the sand trout and flounder he saw caught were clean.

''We need some good news,'' Holley said. ''That oil never did impact us here. In fact, I'm eating some flounder tonight that came off the pier.''

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#90218u1264 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

DUCHESNE, UT (AUG. 6) UPI - Firefighters battling a wildfire on a remote 5,300-acre stretch of the Uinta-Ouray Indian Reservation used helicopters Monday to dump water and start backfires to stem the damage.

Because of the ''extreme fire danger'' in rugged Florence Canyon, Forest Service dispatcher Fran Reynolds said, ''We're using five choppers to make water drops.''

Firefighters also dropped incendiaries from the helicopters to burn out areas in the path of the wildfire.

''We're trying to remove pockets of heavy fuel (with the backfires),'' Reynolds said.

The backfires will halt the spread of the lightning-sparked fire ignited six days ago. Fire was burning Monday about 150 miles southeast of Salt Lake City, consuming Douglas fir, pinion pine, juniper and scrub oak. The area is prime habitat for deer, elk and mountain sheep.

The 530 firefighters were divided Monday into two units, Reynolds said, with one group sent ''to an area two miles to the south of the fire'' to clear away timber and brush and create a firebreak ahead of the flames.

''We're still hoping for Wednesday for containment,' Reynolds said. ''But with the high temperatures and low humidity, it could take more time.''

The Bureau of Land Management put 90 firefighters on a 105-acre fire reported Sunday afternoon in southwestern Utah's Iron County. The Steamboat Fire, in the rugged mountains about 15 miles west of Lund, was burning primarily in aspen, fir and ponderosa pine.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Mike Tyson may have lost his heavyweight title, but he can take heart in leading Forbes magazine's list of the 30 richest athletes.

The cover story of the magazine's Aug. 20 issue says Tyson will net an estimated 1990 income of $28.6 million. Not bad for someone who was knocked out in the 10th round by Buster Douglas in February.

Tyson was joined by three other boxers on the ''Super 30'' list: Douglas was No. 2 at $26 million, Sugar Ray Leonard was No. 3 at $13 million and Evander Holyfield was No. 10 at $8.1 million.

The world's 30 highest-paid athletes will make a total of about $230 million this year.

Formula One auto racing placed two drivers into the top 10 - Aryton Senna of Brazil and Alain Prost of France.

Senna, who drives for the Marlboro McLaren-Honda team, will make more money this year than the starting lineup of the Boston Celtics. He came in No. 4 on the Forbes list with $10 million. Prost, who drives for Ferrari, is No. 5 at $9 million.

Golfers Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer and Greg Norman also made the grade. Nicklaus and Palmer share the honor of earning the highest amount in

''other income,'' with an estimated $8 million apiece.

Michael Jordan, the aerial guard of the Chicago Bulls, is the only basketball player in the top 10. On top of his $2.5 million salary, Jordan will make more than $6 million this year in endorsements.

There are six tennis players on the list, the most of any sport. Boris Becker leads the way at $7.2 million in 1990. Two notches below is West German compatriot Steffi Graf at $6.1 million.

The other four tennis players are: Andre Agassi and Stefan Edberg, both with $5.5 million, Ivan Lendl at $5.3 million and Gabriela Sabatini at $4.5 million.

Jose Canseco of the Oakland Athletics recently signed a five-year, $23.5 million contract, the richest in baseball history. But he is only 14th on the ''Super 30'' list at $6 million in 1990 earnings.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 6) UPI - Al Capone has finally won his case.

Unfortunately for the Prohibition-era ganglord known as ''Scarface Al,'' his victory came in a mock trial during the American Bar Association's annual meeting.

Capone lost the trial that counted in 1931, and was sentenced to 11 years in prison. He served almost eight years and died in 1947.

Sunday's innocent verdict - on two counts of failure to file tax returns and three counts of attempted income tax evasion - was based on the original facts and current law.

''The retrial was a wonderful and fun opportunity to argue one of the greatest cases in Chicago's history,'' said Linda Pence, attorney for the prosecution in the mock event.

Defense attorney Michael Tigar said the retrial ''allowed the defense to adopt new argument strategies in the area of litigation.''

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VANDALIA, IL (AUG. 6) UPI - Queenie the change-making gasoline station ''cash dog,'' who flirted with fame in the mid-1970s, died Monday, said her owner, Orville ''Sug'' Schukar.

Queenie was featured in national newspaper, radio and television stories in 1975 for her ability to take cash from a customer and return the change Schukar said.

Queenie wandered into his U.S. 51 service station as a stray in 1974, said Schukar, who sold the station in 1980 after running it for 30 years.

''Queenie could take a $10 bill out of a customer's hand and bring it inside,'' said Schukar, 67, who still farms about 300 acres near Vandalia in southern Illinois. ''We'd put the change in an envelope and she'd take that back to the customer.''

Queenie knew the smell of money, Schukar said.

''She wouldn't take checks or credit cards, only cash,'' he said.

Schukar said the ''cash dog'' - a shepherd - would have been 18 in November.

The dog was to be buried Monday in a pine coffin on Schukar's farm.

''She hadn't been so good in the last few months. She couldn't walk much at the end,'' Schukar said. ''I just want to make sure people remember her.''

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(AUG. 6) UPI - U-S Defense Secretary Cheney is in Saudi Arabia, where a full-scale military mobilization is under way. Sources say Cheney is looking for permission to place U-S troops in Saudi Arabia to fight Iraqi forces should they attack from Kuwait. Saudi Arabia has long resisted Washington's requests that U-S troops be stationed on the kingdom's soil. But U-S sources say Cheney will argue there's now a clear need for a U-S military presence.

President Bush reportedly has ordered U-S agencies to begin planning ways of destabilizing and toppling Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Anonymous sources are quoted in the report that says Bush initiated the effort after meetings with C-I-A Director Webster. The C-I-A head reportedly described Saddam as a ruthless leader determined to control world oil prices.

Alaskan Senator Ted Stevens is hoping the Persian Gulf crisis will speed up action on his bill to open up Alaska's North Slope to oil exploration. The republican lawmaker says his proposal could soften the blow of oil shortfalls caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Stevens' bill would open up about one-Million acres of environmentally fragile coastal land.

Firefighters are struggling to douse a 33-hundred-acre wildfire raging in central Oregon where as many as 28 homes have been destroyed. 100-degree temperatures hampered the efforts yesterday, and the heat wave is expected to continue today. About two-thousand homes were evacuated during the weekend.

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(AUG. 6) UPI - Miami forecasters say tropical storm watches will likely be posted along portions of the Mexican Gulf coast later today in advance of Tropical Storm Diana. At last report, the storm was centered 365 miles east-southeast of Tampico, Mexico... and was traveling west-northwest at about 17 miles an hour. Top winds were clocked at nearly 50 miles an hour. Forecasters said Diana may move inland, or bounce back and head to the north or northeast.

A dog that received brief national attention in the mid-1970's for working at a southern Illinois gas station has died. Owner Orville Schukar says Queenie ''the cash dog'' would have been 18 years old in November. Schuklar of Vandalia, Illinois, says the shepherd dog gained fame in 1975 for her ability to take cash from customers and return change to them.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - Against a backdrop of uncertainty over oil prices and the health of the U.S. economy, The Treasury Department announced Monday the government's quarterly refunding auctions will proceed as scheduled this week because Congress approved legislation increasing the debt limit to $3.195 trillion.

President Bush is expected to sign into law a bill granting $72 billion in additional borrowing authority through Oct. 2 to keep the federal government running.

Robert Glauber, Treasury under secretary in charge of finance, had said the quarterly refunding would be delayed if the House and Senate failed to pass legislation increasing the debt limit.

''Congressional action to increase the debt limit permits the Treasury to proceed with the auctions,'' the department said in a brief statement announcing its plans.

The offerings include:

-An auction of 3-year notes Tuesday totaling $11.5 billion.

-An auction of 10-year notes Wednesday totaling $10.5 billion.

-An auction of 30-year bonds Thursday totaling $10.25 billion.

-An added auction of 36-day cash management bills Thursday totaling $10 billion.

All the issues will settle Aug. 15.

The crisis in the Mideast, spiraling energy costs, higher inflation, an increased threat of recession and turbulence in stock markets are all elements that will influence this week's auctions.

Samuel Kahan, chief economist for Fuji Securities in Chicago, said it appears investors could be especially receptive to the shorter term, 3-year notes.

''In periods of uncertainty, people will drive to short-term paper and preferably, U.S. short-term paper,'' Kahan said. ''There is traditionally a flight to quality.

''In terms of government securities at the longer end, all hell breaks out '' he said, but added: ''A lot of the bad news is already incorporated in these securities. How much worse could it be?''

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#90218u1364 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

COLOMBO, SRI LANKA (AUG. 6) UPI - Tamil rebels continued a campaign of terror against Moslem civilians Monday, hacking to death 25 farmers at work in a rice paddy in the eastern part of the country and leaving notes on their bodies warning Moslems get out of the region.

The farmers accounted for more than half of the 49 Moslem villagers killed since Sunday night, police said. The latest violence came just three days after the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam massacred at least 150 Moslems in an eastern farming village.

The militants who attacked the farmers in Akkaraipattu Monday left a note on each body, warning Moslems to leave the region, police said. They said the militants also killed five other Moslems along a road in the region.

The rebels, fighting for an independent homeland for Tamils, charge the Moslem villagers support government attempts to crush the insurgency.

The Tigers have been fighting for an independent homeland since 1983, but the latest round of fighting erupted June 12 when rebels attacked four army camps in the eastern part of the country.

The fighting shattered a one-year period of relative calm. More than 2,000 soldiers, rebels, police and civilians have been killed since the start of hostilities.

The Tiger rebels believe the minority Tamil community, which is predominantly Hindu, needs a separate state because of years off alleged discrimination by the majority Sinhalese, who are mostly Buddhist and who control the Colombo government.

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#90218u1377 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

SRINAGAR, INDIA (AUG. 6) UPI - Indian security forces stormed a house in the Kashmir Valley Monday and arrested the head of the leading Moslem militant group fighting for independence, a government intelligence source said.

The intelligence source said the border police arrested Yasin Malik, 22, the chief commander of the Jammu and Kashmir Liberation Front, and 11 of his associates.

There was no independent confirmation of the arrests and authorities did not offer proof of Malik's capture. On at least one previous occasion, authorities claimed they had killed Malik.

The Jammu and Kashmir Liberation Front is one of the leading militant groups fighting for Kashmir's separation from India, and Malik's capture would be considered a major victory for the government in its battle against the rebels.

The source said that a government informer tipped off authorities about the location of Malik, who was taken to an undisclosed location following the raid.

The separatist movement in Kashmir has heated up since mid-January, with 700 people dead in fighting since then.

Virtually all 4 million Moslems in the Kashmir Valley support the separatist movement, saying a separate state is necessary because of years of alleged discrimination by successive Hindu-dominated New Delhi administrations.

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#90218u1380 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (AUG. 6) UPI - Andrew Young, trailing badly in the polls against Democratic rival Lt. Gov. Zell Miller, made a final plea to voters Monday

in his bid to become Georgia's first black governor.

The top two finishers in a July 17 primary in which Miller led by more than 10 percentage points are vying for the Democratic nomination in a race Young jumped into late and has never commanded.

The two meet in a primary election runoff Tuesday.

''Certainly, we would feel better if the numbers were closer, but Andy has always said that a way would be made,'' Young campaign manager, Hobby Stripling, said before the former Atlanta mayor headed out for a fly-around tour of the state. ''I guess we are flying on faith right now that things will work out and we will win the thing.''

Recent polls show Miller, a 16-year veteran of the lieutenant governor's office, has widened his lead to 20 points with 12 percent of the voters undecided.

The poll indicated that Young had failed to amass uniform black support and collect the portion of white backing needed for victory, while Miller, buoyed by a popular proposal for a state lottery, won over many blacks and at least three-quarters of the white vote.

Young, former U.N. ambassador, congressman and confidant of Martin Luther King Jr., spent much of Sunday morning plying the church circuit in the heart of his Atlanta stronghold.

At one of the stops, the former preacher conceded that his chances for becoming Georgia's next governor rely on ''a miracle on Tuesday.''

The winner of the runoff faces Republican gubernatorial nominee, state Rep. Johnny Isakson, in the November general elections, to determine who will succeed Gov. Joe Frank Harris. Harris is leaving office after the maximum two terms allowed by law.

Isakson would be the first GOP governor in Georgia in 122 years if he wins the race.

Miller, whose key issues have been promoting a state lottery to benefit educational improvements and the establishment of boot camps for first-time criminal offenders, also flew around the state on the final campaign day.

''He's going to be talking about the same things he's been talking about for the last two years - new solutions to new problems,'' said Miller campaign manager, James Carville. ''I suspect he feels pretty good at this point, but he doesn't want to let up.''

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#90218u1384 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (AUG. 6) UPI - Stock prices tumbled in London and Frankfurt Monday in volatile trading sparked by developments in global oil markets as a result of unrest in the oil-rich Middle East.

In England, on the London International stock exchange, stocks plunged as the price of oil surged to a five-year high in response to the worsening conflict in the Middle East.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 19.9 points Friday, tumbled 64.4 points, or about 2.7 percent, to 2,220.2. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 61.5 points to 1,731.9.

Volume amounted to a heavy 592 million shares compared with 523 million shares changing hands on Friday.

Analysts said prices fell across a broad front from the opening bell amid the rapidly rising price of global oil coupled with worries of inflation in the British economy.

Market watchers said the sharp increase in the price of oil to $26.55 a barrel could plunge the world economy, particularly that of the U.S., into a recession and could push world inflation higher if the rise was sustained for a long period.

Gwynn Hacche of James Capel in London said the impact of higher oil costs on the world economy and industry was causing the most concern, and predicted a slowdown in world growth as a direct result of the price increases.

The fall in London mirrored those on other global markets, most notably in Tokyo where the blue-chip Nikkei Average tumbled 916.23 points to 28,599.53, a fall of 3.1 percent.

Analysts noted few large investors entered the market; instead, they preferred to stay on the sidelines because of the unsettling influence of the oil crisis.

On the local economic front, the Britain's Central Statistical Office reported retail sales volume fell a revised 2.6 percent in June from May but was up 1.1 percent from June 1989. Analysts noted the report went unnoticed by most investors.

On the trading floor, international issues fell sharply.

Imperial Chemical Industries tumbled $1.08 to $17.10, Rothmans

International, the tobacco giant, fell 81 cents to $12.95 and B.A.T Industries another tobacco maker, lost 54 cents to $9.73.

British Airways PLC eased 7 cents to $3.27 amid speculation the higher price of fuel would hurt the airline's earnings, expected to be announced on Tuesday.

Unitech fell 27 cents to $6.50 as investors awaited the electronic company's earnings report.

In a strong oil patch, British Petroleum gained 4 cents to $6.60 and London & Scottish Marine Oil gained 13 cents to $6.60.

In Frankfurt, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange lost 5.4 percent of their value in active trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which lost 28.44 points Friday, tumbled 100.01 points to 1,740.93.

Traders said prices fell due to the crisis in the Middle East.

Traders said the selling spree was explained by the crisis in the Persian Gulf following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and by fears that the Iraqi army was preparing to enter Saudi Arabia.

In addition the market was worried that sharply higher oil prices that have resulted from the Gulf crisis may further increase U.S. inflation at a time when the American economy is showing signs of weakness.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 6) UPI - State health officials said Monday there is an outbreak of salmonella poisoning in Minnesota and three other Midwestern states and it is believed related to the consumption of raw tomatoes.

There have been 38 confirmed cases of salmonella javiana reported in Minnesota, 51 in Illinois, 10 in Michigan and three in Wisconsin, officials said.

The 38 confirmed cases in Minnesota occurred in people who became ill June 28-29. Most of the cases involved adults.

Health officials cautioned that the number of reported cases may represent as little as 1 percent of the cases that actually occur during a salmonella outbreak.

Efforts are under way to find the source of the outbreak, which has been

linked to tomatoes from restaurants and grocery stores.

Health officials are advising restaurant workers and consumes to wash their tomatoes thoroughly in cold water before serving or eating them. They also suggest removing the part where the stem was attached, as well as any bruised or damaged areas.

Home-grown tomatoes from Minnesota have not been implicated in the outbreak, although health officials routinely recommend that all produce be washed prior to consumption. Cooked tomatoes and tomato products are not a problem because cooking destroys the salmonella bacteria, officials said.

A 1989 outbreak of salmonella javiana in Minnesota and neighboring states was traced to the consumption of certain cheese products. But the current outbreak involves a different strain of the bacteria and is not believed to be related to the earlier outbreak.

Salmonella causes a type of gastrointestinal illness characterized by nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal cramps and fever. People who have those symptoms are urged to see a doctor, officials said.

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WASHIBGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - President Bush plans to address the United Nations General Assembly Oct. 1, a White House spokesman announced Monday.

Press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said that the president also would attend the U.N. Conference on Children Sept. 30.

There was a possibility that Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev also will attend the conference on children in New York, and the two leaders may meet, sources said.

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#90218u1405 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (AUG. 6) UPI - Tropical Storm Diana swept into the Gulf of Mexico Monday after soaking the Yucatan and headed west toward the Mexican coast, but experts said the storm still posed a threat to the U.S. Gulf Coast.

Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center said tropical storm watches would likely be posted for portions of the Mexican Gulf coast later Monday.

At 11 a.m. CDT, Diana was centered near latitude 21 north and longitude 92.3 west, or about 365 miles east southeast of Tampico, Mexico. The storm was moving west northwest at near 17 mph.

Forecasters said they expected the storm to continue on that path, although perhaps at a slower pace later in the day.

Maximum sustained winds built by about 5 mph early Monday to near 50 mph, and further stregthening was likely, forecasters said.

Tropical storm force winds extend outward up to 200 miles.

The hurricane center said gusty winds and heavy rains were possible along the Mexican coast to the south and west of the storm in advance of its approach. Rainfall amounts of five inches were possible along the path of the storm.

Bob Case, a hurricane specialist at the hurricane center, said Diana would reach the Mexican coast late Tuesday or early Wednesday, if the storm maintained its current forward speed.

However, Case said Diana could stall over the Gulf waters and then move north later in the week to threaten the U.S. Gulf coast.

''The mechanism that is pushing it toward the west is forecast to weaken '' he said. ''If Diana doesn't get over onto the Mexican coast and move inland, then there is the possibility that it could sit there for another day.''

If Diana slows, the storm could be drawn north later in the week by a cold front that forecasters expect to move over the northern gulf, Case said.

In either case, Case said forecasters expected Diana to develop into the second hurricane of the Atlantic-Caribbean season.

The storm emerged over the gulf after lashing the Yucatan with 45 mph winds and moderately heavy rains during a day-long trek across the peninsula. The storm swept ashore Sunday on the Yucatan's east coast north of Chetumal.

Forecasters at the hurricane center said they had no immediate reports of damage. Overnight winds in Merida, Mexico reached 34 mph, said Barry Satchwell, a forecaster at the hurricane center.

''They have thunderstorms that move through the Yucatan that have stronger winds,'' he said. ''If there is any real concern we have, it would be localized heavy rainfall.''

Meanwhile in the Atlantic, Tropical Storm Cesar continued to weaken, as expected, and was downgraded to a tropical depression.

At 12 noon EDT, the depression was centered near latitude 27.2 north and longitude 46.8 west, or about 1,145 miles east southeast of Bermuda.

Cesar was moving west northwest at near 3 mph, the hurricane center said, with maximum sustained winds of about 35 mph, or 4 mph shy of tropical storm strength.

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#90218u1413 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (AUG. 6) UPI - President Ghulam Ishaq Khan dismissed Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and dissolved the National Assembly Monday, charging her 20-month-old administration with nepotism and corruption.

The president called new elections for October and swore in the leader of the opposition to head a caretaker government that will rule Pakistan until then.

Army contingents moved into the capital and took control of the Pakistan television headquarters, Radio Pakistan, the Information Ministry and several other government offices.

Bhutto, 37, whose Pakistan People's Party came to power in democratic elections in November 1988, described Ishaq Khan's move as illegal and unconstitutional.

''It is unfortunate that an elected people's government has been sacked and an unrepresentative government has been installed,'' said Bhutto, who appeared confident and composed at a news conference.

But, she said, ''we will not provide them any excuse to bypass the political process which they say they will follow.''

Under Pakistan's unique system of government, Ishaq Khan, elected president by the National Assembly and provincial assemblies in December 1988, has the constitutional authority under certain conditions to cut short Bhutto's five year term and call new elections, which he has scheduled for Oct. 24.

Sabihuddin Ahmed, a constitutional lawyer in Karachi, said Ishaq Khan may have transcended his powers ''because under the constitution the (Bhutto) government has not failed to carry out its activities.''

The Pakistani president swore in as caretaker president Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi, a Bhutto foe who had announced Sunday he intended to bring a vote of no confidence on her government to the National Assemly. Bhutto narrowly won a similar vote last November.

Bhutto took office December 1988, following the first democratic election in 11 years in Pakistan, which has been under military rule for almost two thirds of its 43 year existence.

She has since come under fire for failing to control growing ethnic violence in southern Sind province and alleged corruption by members of her administration and family, sparking tension between her government and the army.

International observers said the military was attempting to regain control of Pakistan by having Bhutto dismissed.

''This is a constitutional coup instigated by Pakistani military leaders through Ishaq Khan,'' said Sugota Bose, an expert on the region from Tufts University in Massachusetts.

A spokesman for the Janata Dal Party of Indian Prime Minister V.P. Singh described Bhutto's removal as "a setback to the democratic movement in Pakistan.''

The Pakistani capital of Islamabad remained calm after the announcement.

In Karachi, the capital of troubled Sind province, thousands of supporters of an opposition party representing Mohajir migrants from India cheered and chanted ''Down with Benazir'' outside the home of a Mohajir leader.

Mohajirs have clashed in recent months with the youth wing of Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party.

In dismissing Bhutto's government, Ishaq Khan charged it with being ineffective and corrupt and said it had violated the constitution by attempting to usurp authority from the provinces.

''The utility and efficacy of the National Assembly as a representative institution elected by the people under the constitution ... is defeated by internal dissention and frictions, persistent and scandalous horse trading for political gain and furtherance of personal interests, corrupt practices and inducement,'' Ishaq Khan said in a statement he read at a news conference.

''I ... dissolve the Assembly with immediate effect and the prime minister and the Cabinet cease to hold office forthwith,'' he said.

Ishaq Khan, former chairman of the Senate, succeded Gen. Mohammed Zia ul-Haq as president of Pakistan after Zia was killed in a mysterious airplane crash in August 1988. Ishaq Khan was elected to the post in his own right by the National Assembly and provincial assemblies in December of that year.

Zia had ruled the country since his 1977 coup against Bhutto's father, Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, who was later executed.

Benazir Bhutto's party was victorious in elections Zia had called before his death, making her the first woman prime minister of an Islamic nation.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - Although he delayed a Latin American trip to be on hand for budget talks, President Bush still plans to spend at least eight days on the campaign trail during September, the White House said Monday.

Press secretary Marlin Fitzwater confirmed that Bush had postponed the planned trip Sept. 16-21 to Venezuela, Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay and Chile ''based on the need to be personally involved in the budget negotiations in September.''

At the same time, the spokesman announced a rigorous campaign schedule for the president that will take him to more than a dozen cities on behalf of at least eight Republican candidates.

On Sept. 3, Bush returns from a 25-day vacation in Kennebunkport, Maine. The continuing negotiations with congressional leaders on the fiscal 1991 budget and reducing the budget deficit are tentatively set to resume that week.

By law, failure to reach an agreement would force the government to impose an estimated $100 billion in across the board cuts in vital services on Sept. 30.

But the president, as evidenced by the schedule announced Monday, will also be fairly preoccupied with campaigning for Republican candidates in the November elections.

According to Fitzwater, Bush plans trips:

-Sept. 6, to Topeka, Kan., and Tallahassee, Fla., to attend fund-raisers for Kansas Gov. Mike Hayden, who faces a tough re-election primary on Tuesday, and Rep. Bill Grant of Florida, who recently switched to the GOP.

-Sept. 9, to New York for a dedication ceremony at Ellis Island.

-Sept. 11-12, first to Denver for a fund-raiser for the Hank Brown for Senate campaign, then to Los Angeles for a fund-raiser for Sen. Pete Wilson, who faces a tough race for governor against former San Francisco

Mayor Dianne Feinstein. Bush travels Sept. 12 to San Francisco for another fund-raiser on Wilson's behalf.

-Sept. 26-27, starting in Akron, Ohio, on behalf of George Voinovich, former mayor of Cleveland who is running for governor, heading next to Chicago for Rep. Lynn Martin, who is running for the Senate. The next day, he will attend a fund-raiser in Minneapolis for whoever wins the Independent-Republican gubernatorial primary, head next to Cleveland on behalf of Voinovich again before a final stop in Detroit for unidentified Michigan GOP candidates.

In addition, Bush will travel to New York Sept. 30, as previously announced, to attend an international summit on children. The following day, Oct. 1, he is to address the United Nations General Assembly.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 6) UPI - Midwest farmland values continued to rise during the second quarter, but not as fast as in the first three months of the year, the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago reported Monday.

The increase of just under 1 percent was the fourteenth consecutive quarterly gain, Economist Peter J. Heffernan said in the Seventh Federal Reserve District's Agricultural Letter.

The gain was sharply lower than the increase recorded in the first quarter but Heffernan said it was consistent with the pattern of moderate changes in farmland values during the spring and early summer months.

The district includes all or portions of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin and Iowa.

Survey responses from 420 agricultural bankers indicate a majority expect the market to remain stable during the third quarter, although a significant number expect further strengthening.

''Farmland values in the portion of Indiana in the District rose more than 2 percent during the spring,'' Heffernan said. ''The increase was just under 1 percent in Illinois and Wisconsin and less than one-half of one percent in Iowa and Michigan.''

All five states reported increases for the first six months of the year with an average gain of 6.4 percent over the same period of 1989.

Iowa farmland values showed the largest gain over the 12-month period, rising about 8 percent. Wisconsin was second with a gain of about 7.5 percent, Illinois 5.6 percent, Indiana 5 percent and Michigan 3.5 percent.

Interest rates charged on farm real estate mortgages remained stable during the second quarter. The average rate among the District's agricultural banks on June 30 was 11.08 percent, unchanged from 3 months earlier but nearly one-half of one percentage point lower than one year ago.

Banks in Iowa reported the lowest average rate of 10.9 percent, 45 basis points lower than one year earlier. Bankers in Illinois and Wisconsin reported average rates of 11.1 percent, Indiana 11.25 percent and Michigan 11.6 percent.

The survey found farm real estate lending in the five states likely will continue to rise during the third quarter.

''The proportion of bankers indicating their volume of lending would be higher than a year ago was nearly double the proportion indicating the volume would be down,'' Heffernan said. ''However, two-thirds of the respondents noted their volume of lending in the third quarter would be unchanged from year-ago levels.''

He said that since the turnaround in the farmland market began, agricultural banks throughout the nation, and particularly in the Corn Belt states, have acquired a growing share of the outstanding institutional farm real estate debt.

''Farm banks in early 1990 accounted for almost 26 percent of outstanding farm real estate debt held by financial institutions, up from 18.4 percent at the beginning of 1987,'' Heffernan said. ''Most of the gain has come at the expense of the Farm Credit System, although the FCS is still the dominant farm real estate lender.''

The Farm Credit System's share of outstanding debt dropped from 52.5 percent to 46.1 percent during the three-year period.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (AUG. 6) UPI - The price of Businessland Inc. stock plummeted Monday after the computer reseller reported a $21.5 million fourth-quarter loss and said second- and third-quarter losses were twice as large as previously reported.

The stock's price was off $4 to $2.875 a share by mid-afternoon in active trading on a sharply lower New York Stock Exchange.

Businessland said its large losses placed the company in violation of certain covenants on $50 million in outstanding debt.

Businessland's fourth-quarter loss compared with a profit of $7.4 million, or 23 cents a share, recorded in the same period in fiscal 1989. Sales rose to $339.3 million from $322.6 million in the year-earlier quarter.

The company said it would restate results from the second and third quarters to reflect accounting errors. The adjustments increased the company's total loss in the two quarters to $5.8 million, compared with $2.9 million reported earlier.

For all of fiscal 1990, the company posted a loss of $23.1 million, compared with earnings of $32.9 million, or $1.08 a share, in the prior year. Sales grew to $1.35 billion from fiscal 1989's $1.19 billion.

The company, which took a restructuring charge of $6 million in the fourth quarter to close ''underperforming'' facilities, attributed the large quarterly loss to an increase in spare parts inventory reserves, lower operating margins and continued operating losses overseas and at its ComputerCraft chain of retail stores.

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#90218u1445 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AUG. 6) UPI - The trial of the first American to be charged with drug trafficking under Malaysia's harsh anti-narcotics law was delayed Monday as the judge considered whether to strike a key piece of prosecution evidence.

Kerry Lane Wiley, 38, a computer specialist from Sacramento, Calif., faces the death sentence if convicted. He appeared calm as defense attorney Shafee Abdullah asked the court to hold as inadmissable evidence that Wiley had admitted ownership of the drug, because he had not been informed of his rights at the time of his arrest.

The request came after prosecution witness Zainal Mulid told the court Wiley had admitted owning a parcel containing marijuana which he delivered to Wiley's home near Kuala Lumpur last November.

Postal officials had already been alerted by the customs department that the parcel contained marijuana, which Wiley had allegedly posted to himself from Thailand.

Zainal, a customs official, accompanied the postman when the parcel was handed to Wiley at his home in the suburbs of Kuala Lumpur.

Zainal gave evidence he returned with four customs officers half an hour later and raided the house. They discovered a bag in the storeroom beneath the stairs which contained several items of clothing and several tins

containing dried leaves.

Wiley is the first American to be charged under statutes which mandate the death sentence for anyone caught with half an ounce or more of heroin, 2 pounds of opium or 6.4 ounces of marijuana.

Malaysia first introduced the death penalty for drug offenses in 1975 as an option for judges sentencing convicted traffickers. The government amended the law in 1983 to make it mandatory for all traffickers to be sent to the gallows.

Since 1975, more than 100 people have been executed, including 27 foreigners, the most recent being eight Hong Kong citizens who were hanged in May.

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DAR ES SALAAM, Tanzania (AUG. 6) UPI - A meeting that began Monday in the Gambian capital of Banjul could provide a peaceful solution to seven months of bloody civil war in Liberia, the chief of the Organization of African Unity said.

OAU Secretary General Salim Ahmed Salim, speaking on official Radio Tanzania before flying to Gambia, said he hoped the meeting betweeen senior officials of seven countries could produce a humanitarian solution to the Liberian conflict.

The fighting has left about 5,000 people dead and forced almost 300,000 refugees to flee to neighboring countries, the OAU leader said.

''I say there is a political solution and a humanitarian one. The basic thing now is the humanitarian solution,'' Salim said.

Officials from Nigeria, Gambia, Ghana, Mali, Guinea, Sierra Leone and Togo began a meeting Monday to discuss the possible formation of a joint African peace-keeping force to be sent into Liberia.

The fighting there between government soldiers and two rebel forces which are also battling each other has degenerated into tribal revenge killings and a series of massacres.

Four American warships were standing off the Liberian coast after a weekend which saw U.S. marines landed in Monrovia, the Liberian capital, to evacuate Americans and fortify the embassy there.

Salim, invited to join the Banjul meeting as a representative of Africa's oldest cooperative organization, said he still hoped for a peaceful

solution.

He said peace was urgently needed if West Africa's refugee problem was not to worsen.

''At present there are more than 180,000 refugees in Guinea, more than 40,000 in Sierra Leone and 60,000 in the Ivory Coast,'' he said. ''All these people are in a very critical condition.''

''Furthermore there are refugees inside the country,'' he said. ''Inside the Guinean embassy in Monrovia there are more than 2,500 Guinean refugees. Can you imagine how these people live in terms of food and health?''

Sixty-nine Liberian government troops, including four lieutenant colonels, fled to Freetown, Sierra Leone, during the weekend to escape the fighting in neighboring Monrovia.

They arrived in groups of 50 and 19 in two trucks loaded with a large quantity of arms and ammunition.

About half of the deserters had been wounded and were admitted to the goverment military hospital in freetown.

The head of the OAU Commission on Refugees, Chief Segun Olusola, who is in Sierra Leone to assess the refugee situation, said the number of Liberian refugees in Sierra Leone has increased from an estimated 20,000 in May to more than 60,000 in mid-july and rising.

The OAU has donated $25,000 to the Sierra Leone government to aid the Liberian refugees, he said.

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MIAMI (AUG. 6) UPI - Eastern Airlines said Monday that Rolf S. Andresen has been promoted to senior vice president and chief financial officer of the airline.

Andresen has been an Eastern officer since 1972, serving as chief financial officer and vice president-finance since November 1987. His previous positions included vice president-treasurer and director-finance.

Prior to joining Eastern, Andresen held financial positions with Getty Oil Co., Ford Motor Co. and Sperry Rand Corp.

Eastern also announced the promotion of Robert C. Coile to staff vice president and controller and Kenneth L. Burgess to staff vice

president-claims management.

NEW YORK - Saks Fifth Avenue Monday announced the appointment of two new senior executives.

Arthur C. Martinez, former senior vice president of Batus Inc., Louisville Ky., and Philip B. Miller, former chairman and chief executive officer of Marshall Field & Co., Chicago, were each named vice chairman and will be elected to Saks' board.

Martinez will be responsible for all financial and administrative functions, while Miller will be responsible for marketing, growth, strategy and new ventures, Saks said.

Burton Tansky, the retailer's president and a member of the Saks board, will continue to be responsible for merchandising and store operations nationwide.

ROCHESTER, N.Y. - Eastman Kodak Co. said Monday that Dennis M. Peck has been appointed chief executive officer of Interactive Systems Corp., a Kodak subsidiary based in Santa Monica, Calif.

Peck has more than 20 years of technical and management experience in the UNIX industry, with companies such as NCR Corp. and Saber Technology. For the past two years, he has been an independent marketing and management consultant, Kodak said.

Interactive Systems supplies UNIX-based products and services to original equipment manufacturers, distributors and resellers.

TROY, Mich. - Saturn Corp., a subsidiary of General Motors Corp., announced the appointment of R. Timothy Epps as vice president of people systems.

Epps, who has been vice president in charge of personnel for General Motors-Europe in Zurich, Switzerland, since 1986, succeeds James L. Lewandowski.

Epps joined GM in 1969. In 1981, he became director of personnel at Rochester Products Division and was named in 1984 director of personnel for the Saginaw Division in Saginaw, Mich.

FORT WASHINGTON, Pa. - Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. Monday announced the appointment of Gary R. Downing as vice president and general manager in charge of the company's U.S. consumer pharmaceuticals business.

The appointment followed last Friday's announcement by the Justice Department that it plans to challenge a strategic alliance for

gastrointestinal products between Rhone-Poulenc Rorer and Procter & Gamble Co.

The companies are seeking to form the alliance to develop and market prescription and over-the-counter pharmaceutical products.

Prior to this appointment, Downing was overseeing Rhone-Poulenc Rorer's U.S. consumer sales on an interim basis.

DALLAS - Aancor Holdings Inc., the parent of National Gypsum Co., said Monday that Peter C. Browning will become president and chief executive officer of Aancor and National Gypsum starting Oct. 1.

Browning, president of National Gypsum's Gold Bond building products division, will succeed John P. Hayes as chief executive officer.

Hayes, 69, will retire from the company after 43 years of service but remain on the board of directors as chairman. He will also continue as president and chief executive officer of the Gold Bond division.

Browning, 48, joined Gold Bond as executive vice president in February 1989after 24 years with Continental Can Co. where he last served as executive vice president. A year ago, he was named president and chief executive officer of Gold Bond and was elected to the Aancor board last December.

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(AUG. 6) UPI - President Bush will try to build a unified Western front to economically isolate Iraq when he meets with allied leaders. Bush scheduled meetings with British Prime Minister Thatcher, NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner and Canadian Prime Minister Mulroney. A Bush spokesman says the massing of Iraqi troops on the Saudi Arabia border is an ''extremely serious'' situation.

The United States also is trying to punish Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait by pushing the U-N Security Council to adopt a worldwide embargo of all commodities and products from the two nations. The council was to vote later today on the embargo which would be binding on all U-N member states.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency reports that Tehran is asking fellow OPEC nations to stick to their oil production quotas during the crisis caused by the Iraqi invasion. Iran's oil minister says industrialized states will fall back on their oil reserves during the crisis, so going over quotas will just produce a glut on the market.

Pakistan has a new prime minister who's heading a care-taker government

following today's dismissal of Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto . President Ghulam Ishaq Kahn fired Bhutto and dissolved the National Assembly... charging her administration with nepotism and corruption. Ishaq Kahn is calling for new elections in October.

Things were anything but peaceful in a black South African township west of Johannesburg today as the white minority government sat down to peace talks with the African National Congress in Pretoria. At least five people were killed in the township, raising to nine the death toll from two days of unrest.

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#90218u1553 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - A new slant to the mystery surrounding the death of President John F. Kennedy. A Texas oil salesman says his father, a former Dallas police officer, was part of a three-man hit squad who took part in a plot to kill Kennedy in 1963. Ricky Don White says he learned after his dad's death that his father had been a covert U-S intelligence operative.

The mayor of Hiroshima is calling for the abolition of nuclear weapons on the 45th anniversary of the first atom bomb drop. Mayor Takeshi Araki spoke today to about 55-thousand people in the Japanese park memorializing the estimated 140-thousand people who died in the bombing. In his words- ''Hiroshima's prayer has become the world's prayer.''

Washington says it will lift the agricultural quarantine on parts of four California counties because it has been at least 14 weeks since Mediterranean fruit flies were found in those areas. The quarantines prohibit shipment of produce that could harbor pests unless the material is inspected beforehand.

Wildlife observers in Texas say only a few birds suffered immediate effects from a 700-thousand-gallon oil spill in Galveston Bay... but they say more victims are expected. A Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Coalition spokeswoman says of all the oil-covered birds found, two sea gulls and a heron have died. She fears for birds migrating to the region.

A senior Communist Party official in Ho Chin Minh City today disclosed that Vietnamese authorities have arrested more than 30 ethnic Vietnamese in a campaign against agents trying to destabilize the regime. The official charged that some of the suspects were trained by the C-I-A.

Philippine President Aquino says right-wing rebel soldiers are circulating handbills threatening another coup attempt and that government special forces have been placed on alert. The military chief heading up the government operation says he expects the rebels to use terrorist tactics, NOT full-scale attacks.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 6) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	76.80	77.25	76.65	76.95	77.17
Oct	76.75	77.65	76.70	77.15	77.45
Dec	76.00	76.55	75.65	76.07	76.32
Feb	76.00	76.45	75.75	75.97	76.32
Apr	76.52	76.90	76.45	76.62	76.75
Jun	74.07	74.50	74.00	74.50	74.50
Aug	73.25	73.30	73.07	73.07	73.27

Est. sales 16,037 contracts; Friday 15,903; open interest 70,037 off 984.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	88.17	88.75	88.10	88.55	88.47
Sep	86.75	87.40	86.60	87.02	87.00
Oct	85.85	86.45	85.60	86.02	86.05
Nov	85.75	86.55	85.60	86.12	86.15
Jan	85.40	86.00	85.40	85.95	86.00
Mar	84.45	84.60	84.35	84.45	84.55
Apr	83.75	83.90	83.70	84.10	83.70
May	82.80	82.90	82.60	82.60	83.00

Est. sales 1,568 contracts; Friday 1,528; open interest 11,341 up 111.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	57.75	58.92	57.40	58.72	57.90
Oct	51.00	52.05	50.90	51.80	51.60
Dec	51.45	52.17	51.12	51.85	51.62
Feb	49.90	50.50	49.70	50.35	49.92
Apr	46.00	46.50	46.00	46.12	46.02
Jun	50.25	50.45	50.25	50.27	50.30
Jly	50.25	50.55	50.25	50.45	50.30
Aug	....	49.30	49.15	49.12	48.80

Est. sales 8,344 contracts; Friday 10,530; open interest 30,355 off 1,881.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	48.02	50.55	48.02	50.55	48.55
Feb	54.00	57.45	54.00	57.45	55.45
Mar	54.00	57.30	53.90	57.30	55.30
May	56.75	57.30	56.75	57.30	55.30
Jly	55.50	56.40	55.50	56.40	54.40

Est. sales 3,040 contracts; Friday 4,696; open interest 6,725 off 589.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Monday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut- out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 121.11 down 3 cents, 700-850 lbs. 121.50 up 6 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 114.40 up 6 cents, 700-850 lbs. 114.65 up 33 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were not fully established; skinned hams and seedless bellies generally steady; loins 14-18 lbs. 123.00-125.00; hams 17-26 lbs. 92.00; bellies 14-16 lbs. 59.00-60.00.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Gold futures closed 730 to 810 points higher Monday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	382.50	384.70	381.60	384.70	377.40
Sep	385.00	387.00	385.00	387.00	379.60
Oct	385.00	389.20	385.00	389.00	381.60
Dec	390.50	394.00	390.10	393.80	386.40
Feb	395.30	398.40	395.00	398.20	390.80
Apr	400.00	402.50	400.00	402.30	394.80
Jun	405.00	406.60	403.50	406.60	399.00
Aug	407.00	....	....	410.70	403.00
Oct	411.60	....	....	415.30	407.60
Dec	420.50	....	....	420.00	412.20
Feb	425.00	....	....	425.00	417.00
Apr	425.70	....	....	429.80	421.70

Open interest: 105,717 up 2,552.

Estimated sales: 34,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and

palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold			
London			
Previous close fix	378.125	off	0.625
Morning fixing	380.00	up	1.875
Afternoon fixing	382.25	up	4.125
Close	382.50	up	4.375
Paris	382.96	up	4.12
Zurich	382.25	up	3.25
Hong Kong	378.95	up	3.20
New York			
Comex spot close	384.70	up	7.30
Republic cash	384.75	up	7.00
Handy and Harman	382.25	up	3.25

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 383.55 up 3.26 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 402.73 up 3.43 per troy ounce.

Silver			
Comex spot close	4.892	up	0.05
Republic cash	4.915	up	0.06

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.87 per fine ounce up 0.025

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.88 up 0.015 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.22 up 0.014

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 485.50 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 585.50 off 0.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 115.50 up 1.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 130.50 up 1.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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(AUG. 6) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein assured President Bush Monday he will not attack Saudi Arabia and wants ''normal relations'' with Washington, but he appeared to raise the stakes of war by rounding up 28 Americans and hundreds of other foreigners in occupied Kuwait.

Baghdad Radio, monitored in Beirut, also reported that Saddam warned ''Iraq is capable of protecting its rights and interests whatever the

pressures and threats were and that the country's readiness to sacrifice for that cause is unlimited.''

The radio said Saddam summonned the U.S. charge d'affaire in the Iraqi capital and conveyed the verbal message intended for Bush, saying Iraq, which invaded Kuwait last Thursday, would not attack Saudi Arabia because the two countries have a non agression pact.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney arrived Monday in Saudi Arabia, where sources said he would seek permission to place U.S. troops in the strategic Persian Gulf nation to repel Iraqi forces should they launch an attack from Kuwait.

Egypt's Middle Eastern News service said Saddam's first message to U.S. President Bush since the dispute erupted included a warning against ''any behavior that may undermine security and stability in the area.''

The State Department later said it had summoned Iraq's ambassador in Washington to a meeting to discuss the whereabouts of the Americans and foreigners Iraqi troops rounded up in Kuwait city.

Spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said Iraqi forces took the 28 Americans and a number of other westerners from three hotels and drove them away in buses. She said it was premature to consider them hostages, but she said the United States views it as ''a very serious matter.''

According to State Department figures some 3,000 Americans had been in Kuwait last week. Some of them apparently have left the country, but Tutwiler said most of them are believed to be still in Kuwait.

A British Foreign Office spokesman said 200 British and U.S. citizens were taken by Iraqis from their hotels in Kuwait and sent by bus to Baghdad, among them people who had been stranded in Kuwait aboard a British Airways jumbo jet when the invasion began.

The information was based on a two-line telex sent by the British Embassy in Kuwait saying, ''British and U.S. citizens have been taken from the airport and SAS hotels and taken to Iraq.''

In Bonn, the West German Foreign Ministry said West Germans were also among the foreign nationals removed by Iraqi troops.

Bush sent Cheney to the Middle East after expressing skepticism over Iraq's claim Sunday it had begun withdrawing the 100,000-strong force that invaded Kuwait Thursday and seized the tiny sheikhdom over an oil and border dispute.

Bush talked by telephone to Cheney after his arrival in the Saudi capital

of Riyadh to confer with King Fahd and other Saudi officials.

Saudi Arabia has long resisted allowing U.S. troops on its soil, and American sources said Cheney would argue there was now a clear need for a U.S. military presence.

In New York, the U.N. Security Council met to vote on a U.S. proposal for drastic economic sanctions against Iraq, which had accused Kuwait of stealing oil from a border well and of driving up oil prices through overproduction. The proposed sanctions included an oil embargo against Iraq.

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#90218u1657 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (AUG. 6) UPI - An oil equipment salesman said Monday that his father, a former Dallas police officer, was one of three U.S. intelligence operatives who killed President John F. Kennedy on Nov. 22, 1963.

The story that Ricky Don White and others who had investigated his evidence told reporters adds yet another theory to the assassination that has captivated history buffs for more than 25 years.

White, 29, of Midland, Texas, also said that evidence his late father, Roscoe Anthony White, left behind indicated that presumed Kennedy assassin Lee Harvey Oswald never fired a shot. Instead, he said, Oswald was set up to take the blame for the assassination as part of a plot that included the man who killed Oswald on Nov. 24, 1963, Jack Ruby.

White said he was shocked to learn in 1978 from a family friend who had worked for U.S. intelligence that his father had been a covert U.S. intelligence operative who used the code name ''Mandarin.'' The friend also warned that it would eventually be revealed that Roscoe White, who died in an industrial accident and explosion in 1971, had been involved in the Kennedy assassination.

In 1982, Ricky White found his father's diary that detailed plans for the assassination. It called for Roscoe White to go to work for the Dallas police department in September 1963. In the diary, White outlined a plan involving three gunmen in Dealey Plaza in Dallas. Lee Harvey Oswald was not one of those men who fired a total of six shots, Ricky White said.

The diary also contained Roscoe White's admission that he, and not Oswald, killed Dallas Police officer J.D. Tippit during the manhunt for the presidential assassin. Tippit was a friend of the elder White's and an unwitting accomplice in the plot, he said.

Ricky White said the diary mysteriously disappeared from his home in 1988

shortly after he had shown it to FBI agents in Midland, but never confronted bureau officials about the missing diary.

''I know you all are taking one man's word on a diary that doesn't exist but I'm an individual that will tell you the truth. I'm here to tell you the truth, but through complications, I don't have the diary,'' White said Monday.

White says he was so badly shaken by his treatment at the hands of the federal agents, who grilled him for five hours, he will no longer work with the FBI.

''The FBI scared me so bad, I completely dropped my father's investigation '' White said.

Tom Kirspel, supervisor of the Midland FBI office, would neither confirm nor deny the agents had seen the diary.

In March 1989, White contacted officials of the JFK Assassination Information Center in Dallas, who were interested, but unconvinced. Their inquiry picked up speed in June when White said he found hidden in his grandfather's home in Paris, Texas, a metal cylinder containing his father's Marine Corps dogtags and three coded intelligence messages that refer to a directive to carry out the assassination.

One of those messages, dated in 1963, states the objective of the exercise was ''to eliminate a national security threat to worldwide peace.''

The people who urged Ricky White to tell his story do not dismiss the possibility that it is yet another assassination conspiracy hoax.

''We think it's true, but even if everything that's said here today checks out on further investigation, this case is still not solved,'' said Bernard Fensterwald an Alexandria, Va., president of the Assassination Archives and Research Center in Washington. ''We still will not know who planned, paid for it, or basically what the shooting was about.''

Ricky White has managed to convince a group of seven Midland businessmen of the authenticity of his story, so much so that they put up more than $100,000 to investigate the story, with the idea of eventually benefiting from a book to be written by officials of the Dallas center.

The Warren Commission concluded that Oswald acted alone and fired two shots, which was the same conclusion reached by the House Select Committee in 1979. The House committee also concluded that there was a ''high probability'' that an unidentifed second gunman was firing from the nearby grassy knoll, but missed.

Ricky White said his father was the gunman on the grassy knoll who fired two shots that hit Kennedy in the throat and head as his motorcade passed through downtown Dallas.

''My father was an individual that I loved and deeply admire, even today '' White said.

He declined to speculate on a motive for his father's actions, saying that he presumes his father was only following orders.

''He was told by our government to do something,'' White said. ''You don't question the government.''

A Dallas minister and White family friend told the news conference that Ricky White's mother, Geneva, overheard her husband and Jack Ruby discussing the plot before the assassination and that Ruby threatened to kill her if she talked.

The Rev. Jack Shaw says Mrs. White later underwent four shock treatments at her husband's insistence to help her forget what she heard. Shortly before Roscoe White's death, Mrs. White began to remember what had happened after speaking with a man in New Orleans who Shaw said was involved in organized crime. She confronted her husband who told her much of what happened, he said.

White said his mother is the only other person who has read the diary's account of the assassination, but that she is unable to talk with reporters because of poor health.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - Yields fell sharply on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Monday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $9.21 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 7.23 percent, down from 7.50 percent last week and the lowest since Sept. 19, 1988, when the auction yielded 7.17 percent.

Offerings of 13-week T-bills on Sept. 26, 1988, and Oct. 3, 1988, also yielded 7.23 percent, the Treasury Department said.

The government also sold $9.2 billion of 26-week bills Monday at an average discount of 7.19 percent, down from 7.37 percent last week and the lowest since Aug. 1, 1988, when the rate stood at 7.15 percent.

The investment rate was 7.47 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,817.20 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26-week bill

was 7.56 percent at an average of $9,636.50 per $10,000.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Former Wall Street trader Salim ''Sandy'' Lewis, who admitted manipulating Fireman's Fund Corp. stock prices, agreed Monday to pay $475,000 to settle a lawsuit filed by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

In the civil suit, filed Monday in U.S. District Court in Manhattan, the SEC sought the $475,000 as partial compensation for the impact of the manipulation on the stock price in May 1986, said Lewis' attorney, Theodore Wells Jr.

The money is to be paid back to investors.

Lewis, 50, of Short Hills, N.J., pleaded guilty in the same courthouse last August to three felony counts relating to manipulation of the stock to help American Express Co. sell part of its Fireman's Fund stake at an advantageous price.

He was sentenced in December to three years probation and performing community service in a drug treatment center. He was fined $250,000.

The consent order agreement by Lewis still requires the approval of U.S. District Court Judge William Conner.

Bruce Hiler, an SEC attorney in Washington, said the signed consent order ''clears the deck of Mr. Lewis.''

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(AUG. 6) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

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NYSE Stocks - Broadly lower in active trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Braodly lower in active trading.

London Stocks - Closed sharply lower in brisk trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed sharply lower in light trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Mixed.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 2 1/2 to 5, soybeans up 6 1/4 to 13 wheat unchanged to up 2 1/4 and oats up 2 1/2 to 2 3/4.

Cattle Trade - $1 to $1.25 lower; top $76.75.

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CARACAS, VENEZUELA (AUG. 6) UPI - Venezuela will adhere to OPEC quotas and will not increase its oil production as a result of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, a government official said Monday.

Mines and Energy Minister Celestino Armas said 11 of 13 ministers of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries agreed over the weekend to maintain production of 22.5 million barrels a day, with a price goal of $21 a barrel.

Market prices for crude oil have risen past $25 a barrel since the Iraqi invasion last week of its oil-rich Persian Gulf neighbor.

"Venezuela resolved to not alter its petroleum policies, maintaining its support of OPEC agreements from Geneva, producing the 1.9 million barrels daily that it was assigned, and will not take isolated actions that could affect the international market," a government official said Monday.

Similarly, exports to the United States will not be increased, despite the fact that the Venezuelan government is "negotiating a larger participation in the imports to that country," the official said. Some $10 billion - more than 80 percent of Venezuela's export earnings - come from oil or petroleum products.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 6) UPI - Monday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.77 1/4-2.86 1/4 up 1 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.94 1/2-5.95 1/4 up 7 3/4-10 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.51 1/4-2.59

1/4 up 4 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.59 1/4-2.69 1/4 off 4 3/4 to up 4 3/4.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - President Bush's handling of the Iraq-Kuwait conflict is being carefully watched for more reasons than the immediate crisis, analysts said Monday, noting that the outcome may set a tone for how the world deals with future problems in the post-Cold War era.

''This is an enormous opportunity for the international community,'' said Donald McHenry, a former ambassador to the United Nations under President Carter who now is a foreign policy professor at Georgetown University.

''Iraq, it seems to me, is not going to stop here if it can get away with this step. Sooner or later it will get Saudi Arabia and it will get Israel '' added McHenry. ''This is an opportunity for the international community to stand together for once.''

Thus far, the firm and deliberate diplomacy used by Bush has generally won him high marks and several foreign policy experts theorized Monday that the president's careful steps may also help him build a large reservoir of support that will be useful if events worsen.

They add that a confluence of other factors - such as the mid-summer timing of the crisis and the president's already-high approval ratings - are also playing in Bush's favor. But they caution that may not last if the crisis deepens dramatically and drags on.

''It's very early on in this thing,'' noted Stephen Hess, a governmental studies expert at the Brookings Institution. ''Importantly, something has not yet happened - no Americans are involved. The minute that happens in one way or another, the equation changes and it becomes our crisis. At the moment it's somebody else's crisis.''

So far, Bush has tried to bring together other nations in a united policy against what he has termed Iraq's ''naked aggression'' and has been helped enormously in that task by the changed nature of the U.S.-Soviet relationship.

Rather than fearing that any steps in the Middle East will escalate tensions with the Soviet Union, Bush has been able to secure cooperation from Moscow - a not insignificant development.

''This is the first of the post-Cold War crises,'' noted McHenry, ''It has

always been clear that if you could get the Cold War out of a crisis, at least the handling will not be made more difficult.''

''Here the Soviets and the Chinese both understand that it is necessary to stop that kind of aggression,'' he said.

Hess argued that while Bush has had some luck with a changed world situation, the president's decision to back Mikhail Gorbachev and his personal diplomacy with the Soviet leader contributed to his ability to deal with Moscow in this matter.

''After all, he (Bush) is in part responsible for that attitude. It wasn't by any means a given when he threw his chips in with Gorbachev,'' said Hess. ''This is one immediate benefit.''

But several analysts also added that the Iraq-Kuwait crisis may not be a perfect model for future problems because it was relatively clear cut and Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein was identified so clearly as a villian.

''By and large this is an adversary that is hardly well liked in the United States,'' noted Hess.

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#90218u1700 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 6) UPI - Police defused a suspected Irish Republican Army bomb Monday that had been planted beneath a car parked outside the former home of a retired Cabinet member.

The discovery came a week after an IRA car bomb killed Ian Gow, a prominent Conservative Party member of Parliament and a fierce opponent of the outlawed organization.

There was no claim of responsibility for the device found in the St. John's Wood neighborhood of northwest London, but Scotland Yard suspected the IRA, which has staged at least a dozen bombings in England this year as part of its drive to end British rule in Northern Ireland.

Police said the latest device, packed with two pounds of plastic explosive was probably intended for Lord Robert Armstrong, the government's former chief of civil services. However, he moved six years ago from the house near where the bomb had been placed, police said.

Scotland Yard said the device was believed to be ''part of the campaign being waged by the IRA.''

Armstrong was one of Thatcher's closest aides until he retired in 1987. He worked on the Anglo-Irish agreement, an accord designed to promote peace

and stability in Northern Ireland.

A passerby who was walking his dog Monday morning told police he saw a suspicious package in Armstrong's old driveway. The device apparently had fallen off a car when an American woman, who now lives at the address, drove away, police said.

Cherry Freeman said she remembered hearing a scraping sound as she pulled out of her driveway.

The bomb was successfully defused.

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#90218u1719 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

KHARTOUM, SUDAN (AUG. 6) UPI - Sudan's military government launched a marathon 75-day conference Monday to work out the country's political future, seeking ways around ''the shortcomings of previous political systems,'' the official Sudan News Agency reported.

Ruler Gen. Omar al Bashir, who toppled a democratically elected government in June 1989, told 500 government-nominated conference delegates to find a new political path, ''to return to the beliefs of the Sudanese people and its needs, so as to authenticate the thoughts of our political system.''

Al Bashir and 14 other military officers have ruled Sudan by decree for the past year, reintroducing draconian Islamic laws and drawing sharp international criticism for his disregard for human rights and ruthless suppression of opposition.

He has repeatedly promised wider power-sharing this year and the establishment of a broad-based political party.

Al Bashir said the collapse of three previous Sudanese attempts at multi-party democracy, all of which ended in coups, ''proves the fatalism of their failure if they are to rule Sudan once again.''

One-party rule, he said, was equally unsuccessful.

He said he aspired to a political system of patriotic national unity based on Islam, Christianity and African religions.

Earlier this year, Sudan agreed in principle on a political merger with Libya.

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#90218u1724 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Monday	1139.1
Friday	1127.4
Week ago	1135.7
Month ago	1167.0
Year ago	1117.2
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90218u1732 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

KATMANDU, NEPAL (AUG. 6) UPI - Visiting Indian Foreign Minister I.K. Gujral called Monday for the creation of a common market that would include seven South Asian nations within the framework of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation.

"I have no doubt that our goal ultimately - which does not mean a far-distant future - should be to establish a South Asian free-trade association or common market," Gujral told the Nepal Council for World Affairs.

"SAARC is the obvious framework within which this should be done. India has great faith in the potentialities of SAARC and we will do everything possible to enable their realization."

He said India will present the proposal during a summit of seven South Asian nations to be held in Maldives in November. The seven participants will be India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, and Maldives. Gujral, discussing environmental issues, accused the industrialized nations of making unrealistic demands on developing nations.

Referring to the limits placed on chlorofluorocarbons and to the greenhouse effect, Gujral said that the nations of the developing world "are being obliged to make disproportionate sacrifices."

Nepal and India "should work jointly" along with other developing countries, Gujral said, "to ensure that the approacing burden for imposing restrictions on the production and consumption of substances which pose a threat to the environment is borne by those who have been mainly responsible for the environmental degradation."

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#90218u1741 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	58 1-8	off	2 1-8
AT&T	34 3-8	off	1 5-8
BCE	32 1-2	off	3-4
Bell Atl	46 1-8	off	2 1-8
BellSouth	52 7-8	off	1 7-8
Exxon	54 3-8	up	1 1-4
Ford Motor	38 1-2	off	1 3-8
Gen Elect	65 7-8	off	3 7-8
Gen Motor	41 3-8	off	2
GTE	27 5-8	off	3-4
IBM	x103 5-8	off	3 1-4
Mobil	68 1-4	up	1 3-8
Nynex	73 1-8	off	1 5-8
Pac Gas El	21 3-4	off	3-4
Pac Teles	40 1-8	off	1 7-8
Phila El	15 1-4	off	5-8
Sears	31 1-8	off	1 3-8
Southn Co	24 1-4	off	5-8
Sowst Bell	52 1-4	off	1 1-4
USWest	35 3-4	off	1 1-8

x-ex-dividend.

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#90218u1767 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 6) UPI - Good news for managers who have been laid off or fired - a survey released Monday by an international outplacement consulting firm indicates managers who have been laid off or fired are finding new jobs in an average of three months.

The quarterly survey for the period ending June 30 showed the speed with which discharged managers are being rehired is reaching record levels, Challenger, Gray & Christmas Inc. said.

It was the third consecutive quarter that the median job search length has been 3.1 months or less. That compares with the norm of 3.2 months established by the Challenger firm in more than 15 years of research.

The all-time median low is 2.85 months in the first quarter of 1985. The Challenger Index is a quarterly survey of 600 managers that measures and reports significant trends in the job market.

"The whole matter of winning a new job rests on the job seeker's ability to convince the employer that he or she is the best person that can be hired, and that in turn is the result of citing accomplishments for past employers," Challenger President James E. Challenger said.

"The more the prospective employer sees that the person made significant contributions to earlier employers, the more likely it is the job offer goes to that individual versus others who may have started out with approximately equal qualifications in the eyes of the employer," he said.

The survey listed three reasons for the accelerated rate of rehiring in the past three quarters: the critical nature of international competition, which has increased the demand for skilled managers; the increasing awareness by managers of the need to sell prospective employers on their past accomplishments; and the increasing use of a staggered severance-pay plan, which speeds up rehiring.

Challenger says that under staggered severance, discharged employees do not get their severance money in one lump sum, nor is it unconditionally guaranteed. "The payments are directly tied to the dischargee's job-search efforts, creating an incentive to look for a job and resulting in shorter median job-search lengths than would be present under other circumstances."

He added that companies operating under such a system realize substantial savings by not having to make unnecessary severance payments, presumably once the discharged manager finds another position.

The emphasis by companies on maintaining their competitive positions has put employers in the position of quickly hiring those with proven skills, Challenger said.

"Employers may even be skipping some of the steps in the traditional hiring process in order to get the people they want on board faster," he said. "Firms that hire on the basis of proven skills gain the advantage of employees who can quickly fit into a new job situation and become productive immediately."

The strong rate of rehiring continued during the second quarter of this year despite the mixed signals from the economy. Downturns in some industries and cutbacks in others affect the job market, but employers realize they are in a competitive race to attract the best personnel.

The competitive atmosphere of the job market may telescope the time frame of job searches. Job seekers may expect and receive immediate hiring decisions rather than being required to undergo added screening processes. Challenger, Gray & Christmas is the nation's oldest outplacement company.

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#90218u1773 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks - 240,400,000 shares

1990 to date - 23,998,653,432
Warrants - 2,101,900
1990 to date - 143,989,600

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#90218u1775 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:
Stocks - 23,270,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,112,956,355
Bonds - $3,970,000
1990 to date - $437,064,000

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#90218u1776 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.43	off 0.13
10 Public Utils	92.25	off 0.46
10 Industrials	90.36	up 0.20

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#90218u1784 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 346.63, low 339.81, close 340.27, off 6.36.

There was a loss of 21 cents in the average share price.

Volume 23,270,000 shares, compared with 22,595,000 Friday.
What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	23
New Lows	144
Advances	132
Declines	574
Unchanged	165
Total Issues	871

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#90218u1797 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 6) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Monday - 13,317,000
1990 to date - 1,526,640,000

The market closed sharply lower.

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#90218u1803 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 27 points higher to 50 points lower.

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	75.90	77.50	75.90	76.61	76.40
Dec	72.25	73.41	72.25	72.43	72.77
Mar	73.40	74.30	73.30	73.30	73.80
May	73.70	74.60	73.70	74.00	74.33
Jly	74.25	74.25	73.60	73.60	74.02
Oct	69.50	....	....	69.75	69.75
Dec	67.45	67.75	67.40	67.75	67.48

Estimated sales: 7,500 contracts
Open interest: 34,002 off 374
The World spot average: 79.83

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#90218u1806 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2716.34	off	93.31	980.29	off	58.76	204.85	off	4.85
Friday	2809.65	off	54.95	1039.05	off	39.23	209.70	off	2.39
Week ago	2917.33	up	18.82	1125.00	off	9.67	207.05	up	3.70
Month ago	2914.11	off	9.16	1149.09	up	8.40	205.11	off	1.00
Year ago	2694.99	up	41.54	1344.06	up	94.06	221.51	up	3.34
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2543.24			980.29			200.20		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90218u1807 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index 183.32 off 5.50
ASE Market Value Index 340.27 off 6.36
Dow-Jones Industrial 2716.34 off 93.31

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#90218u1810 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - The dollar rode a see-saw Monday in light New York trading, weakening early in the day on perceptions the Federal Reserve might have to lower interest rates but rallying later on Mideast war fears.

Currency traders pointed to a carry-over effect from the news last week that the U.S. jobless rate ticked up to 5.5 percent in July from 5.2 percent in June, confirming that the economy is winding down. That was enough to offset whatever benefit the dollar was enjoying from fears of a Mideast war.

"We started the day with everybody discounting the (dollar's) 'safe-haven' role and focusing on prospects for Fed easing," said Earl Johnson, a vice president and currency adviser with the Harris Trust & Savings Bank.

Later, the dollar recovered on ominous news of Iraqi troops massing on the Saudi Arabian border and on reports that 28 Americans had been removed from Kuwait City hotels by the Iraqi military.

In late New York trading, the dollar eased to 1.5770 German marks from 1.5925 Friday but advanced to 150.40 Japanese yen from 149.90.

National Westminster Bank trader Mark Morris said purchasing the U.S. unit as a so-called safe haven in times of crisis did not give the dollar as much support as in the past - particularly in light of the bleak U.S. economic and financial prospects.

"I think the dollar may be losing some of the safe-haven allure it had in the past," Morris said. If the United States "came to fisticuffs" with Iraq, the dollar would benefit, he said, but short of that it was anemic.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3310 Swiss francs, down from 1.35; 5.2850 French francs, off from 5.3425 francs, and 1,154.40 Italian lire, off from 1,163. The British pound advanced to $1.8720 from $1.8550.

In Europe, the dollar weakened further against the key currencies amid rising tensions in the Mideast. The pound sterling and the Swiss franc were the major beneficiaries, analysts said.

One bank dealer said many expected the dollar to move up on the crisis, but the bearish impact on the sluggish U.S. economy and Wall Street's plunge were too serious to be offset by dollar-buying.

But the dollar was helped off its lows late in the day by news that U.S. Secretary of State James Baker was to visit Turkey - whose pipelines are a conduit for Iraqi crude - to consult with officials.

In Frankfurt, the dollar closed at a new postwar low of 1.5730 German

marks -2 pfennigs off Friday's close of 1.5930 marks. The dollar also plunged in Zurich, to 1.3275 Swiss francs compared with 1.3500. In London, the pound ended nearly two cents higher at $1.8740 against $1.8560.

The U.S. unit also fell in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively, 5.2790 French francs from 5.3365, 32.29 Belgian francs against 32.75 and 1,153.20 Italian lire compared with 1,166.10 at Friday's close.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar rose against Japan's currency, closing at 149.50 yen vs. 149.35 yen late last week.

Foreign exchange dealers said the dollar continued to benefit from escalation of tensions in the Middle East on the perception that Japan, heavily reliant on imported oil, stands to suffer greatly from an economic standpoint.

Japan's imposition of a ban on oil imports from Iraq and Kuwait and suspension of trade with both nations were a blow to the yen.

Gold closed higher in Zurich, at $382.25 an ounce against $379 Friday, and inLondon, at $382.50 an ounce against $378.125.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold $7 higher at $384.75 an ounce compared with $377.75 Friday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled gold at $384.70 an ounce, also well up from $377.40.

Silver was also up in Zurich, at $4.91 an ounce compared with $4.90, and in London, at $4.90 an ounce from $4.86.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.915 an ounce, up from $4.855. Comex silver was also higher, at $4.892 an ounce compared with $4.842.

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#90218u1820 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 6) UPI - Attorney General Richard Thornburgh suggested Monday the Bush administration might pay less heed to American Bar Association ratings of judicial nominees if the ABA fails to rescind its pro-abortion rights policy.

A proposal to scrap the abortion policy adopted by the ABA House of Delegates last February and replace it with a neutral stance faced a vote later Monday, with all members attending the annual ABA meeting eligible to vote.

The ABA board of governors has recommended a neutral stance. Monday's vote would constitutes only a non-binding recommendation to the House of Delegates, which is to act on the proposal Wednesday.

Thornburgh said the present pro-abortion rights policy ''creates, in my view, a perception problem for the American Bar Association and I believe they are wisely undertaking reconsideration of that position.''

''I think it would be appropriate for this association to be neutral on every issue that does not fall within the ambit of its area of expertise '' Thornburgh told reporters after addressing the opening assembly of the annual meeting.

''When the ABA, as in my view, extends its inquiry beyond judicial and into political and philosophical issues, its reach exceeds its grasp and its credibility on these issues is not entitled to the same respect that we have given it when it comes to assessing judicial temperament and qualifications of intellectual ability and character and integrity that would recommend someone for the bench,'' he said.

Thornburgh said he has noted growing concern the ABA ''may be moving toward litmus tests for judicial nominees.''

He emphasized, however, that he has seen no evidence of any such tests in his dealings with the ABA Standing Committee on the Judiciary, which provides the administration with ratings of potential nominees for the federal bench.

''Nonetheless,'' he said, ''the credibility of that (committee) work will suffer, in my view, if the American Bar Association chooses to take positions on every hot-button emotional political issue of the day because it will create - in the public's view - the notion that if someone, as a prospective judicial nominee, does not sign on to those views, they may be viewed with disfavor.''

Addressing an ABA awards luncheon later Monday, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., accused Thornburgh and the administration of ''unseemly attempts ... to muzzle the Senate confirmation process'' for Judge David Souter, President Bush's nominee to replace William Brennan on the Supreme Court.

''It is true that Judge Souter has said and written little about the significant legal issues of our time, but that means the Senate must ask more, not less, about his views,'' Kennedy said.

''In this day and age, the Senate will not confirm a blank slate to the Supreme Court of the United States,'' said Kennedy, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

But Thornburgh said the only concern of the administration is to head off any possible ''attempt to secure a comitment from any judicial nominee to rule one way or the other in a case or on an issue.''

''Nobody is asking confirmation of a blank slate,'' Thornburgh added. ''Judge Souter has a distinguished record of 12 years of service on the state courts in New Hampshire - not unlike the prior judicial career of retiring Justice William Brennan.''

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#90218u1833 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	407.06	256.39	138.69	25.96	344.86
Opening	398.36	250.19	134.61	25.07	336.82
11 a.m.	395.37	245.62	134.82	24.99	334.69
Noon	396.37	246.64	135.00	25.10	335.54
1 p.m.	394.23	245.18	134.52	25.00	333.84
2 p.m.	396.48	246.69	134.91	25.14	335.63
3 p.m.	395.94	247.10	134.94	25.15	335.29
Close	394.74	245.98	134.82	25.15	334.43
Change	off 12.32	off 10.41	off 3.87	off 0.81	off 10.43

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#90218u1851 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	340.27	off 6.36
High Technology	329.19	off 19.04
Capital Goods	377.96	off 9.90
Consumer Goods	417.26	off 11.19
Service	766.91	off 33.87
Retail	1087.92	off 52.13
Natural Resourc	258.80	up 4.37
Housing-Const-L	351.60	off 14.58

There was a loss of 21 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	428.08	off 10.67
Mid Atlantic	433.63	off 12.58
No Central	484.40	off 19.76
So Atlantic	984.00	off 34.11
So Central	337.81	off 6.90
Mountain	118.54	off 3.15
Pacific	389.69	off 16.65
Foreign	254.74	up 4.10

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#90218u1856 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 6) UPI - (Dow Jones has revised the Utils and 65 stk close

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.
30 Indus 2716.34 off 93.31
20 Trans 980.29 off 58.76
15 Utils 204.92 off 4.78
65 Stocks 951.70 off 37.62

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#90218u1867 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2711.63	2758.42	2683.17	2716.34	off 93.31
20 Trans	991.24	1006.57	970.07	980.29	off 58.76
15 Utils	206.24	207.24	203.41	204.92	off 4.78
65 Stock	954.71	968.74	941.31	951.70	off 37.62

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	35,238,800	45,358,400
Trans	5,660,800	7,039,100
Utils	3,158,300	4,086,000
65 Stock	44,057,900	56,483,500

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.30	off 0.13
10 Public Utils	92.25	off 0.46
10 Industrials	90.36	up 0.20

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100)
closed at 132.46 up 0.99.

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#90218u1874 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - The Securities and Exchange Commission would be able to take unilateral action during a market emergency under a recently passed Senate bill, government officials said Monday.

Although the most publicized part of the bill - giving the SEC authority to halt stock trading when emergencies occur - would require presidential approval, other parts of the legislation enable the SEC to temporarily amend its own rules, or those of stock exchanges, without prior notification.

The bill, titled the Market Reform Act of 1990, would also formalize the SEC's ability to gather information from other government regulators on companies affiliated with securities brokerages.

While SEC officials have focused on these information gathering powers, the emergency authority offered through the legislation seems just as significant.

The bill, passed late last Saturday, specifically says that in an emergency, "the commission may take action to alter, suspend, supplement or impose requirements or restrictions with respect to any matter or action subject to regulation by the SEC, or a self regulatory organization " such as the New York and American stock exchanges.

This means, for example, that the SEC could change a reporting requirement to gain information more quickly, or even change the national market system, according to Kathy McGuire, a staff member in the SEC's Division of Market Regulation.

The legislation broadly defines emergency as "a major market disturbance characterized by, or constituting a substantial threat of sudden and excessive fluctuations of securities prices generally that threaten fair and orderly markets or a substantial disruption of the safe or efficient operation of the national system for clearance and settlement of securities."

But such changes would only last up to ten days, and McGuire said the SEC plans to rarely use the emergency powers. "We anticipate that the exchanges will continue to take primary responsibility for responding in a crisis, and this is just residual power that we do not anticipate having to use," she said.

The SEC plans to make more use of the Act's information gathering provisions, primarily to protect brokerages owned by larger companies from financial damage caused by the parent or its other affiliates.

But the bill does not give the SEC oversight of possible brokerage affiliates, such as banks or interest rate swap brokers. Rather, it spells out the SEC's right to obtain information on the affiliate from the corresponding regulator, thus formalizing a longstanding, but unofficial, SEC practice.

The bill requires most broker-dealers to keep records on policies, procedures or systems for monitoring and controlling financial and operational risks to it brought about by affiliates.

"We are interested in risk exposure and we are looking for things that

would be potential sources of risk such as interest rate bridge loans," said Mark Fitterman, associate director of the SEC's division of market regulation.

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#90218u1875 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Eastern Airlines and eight employees pleaded innocent Monday to criminal charges of falsifying records to cover up maintenance that was not performed on jets in an scheme to keep the beleaguered carrier flying on schedule. A ninth employee, former Eastern supervisor Elia Dragone, pleaded guilty last week to conspiracy and obstruction of justice in a plea agreement.

Eastern and the employees, including a former vice president, were charged in a 60-count criminal indictment last month accusing them of falsifying records to cover up the fact that maintenance work was not performed at three major airports due to pressure to keep Eastern aircraft flying.

If convicted, Eastern faces a maximum fine of $30 million, while each defendant could be sentenced to a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a $250,000 fine. The arraignment was held at U.S. District Court in Brooklyn.

Maintenance was overlooked and records were falsified at LaGuardia and Kennedy international airports in New York and at Hartsfield International Airport in Atlanta between 1985 and 1989, the indictment said.

The indictment said Eastern used "unreasonable demands, pressure and intimidation" to force workers to doctor records "to keep the aircraft in flight at all costs."

"The motivation was to get airplanes in the air because an airline does not make money when its planes are on the ground," U.S. Attorney Andrew Maloney said in announcing the indictment July 25.

Among the violations alleged by the government was Eastern's failure to drain water from planes' fuel lines - which Maloney said could have blocked the flow of jet fuel or caused inaccurate fuel gauge readings. Other violations included failing to maintain landing gear and radar properly and installing faulty cockpit gauges, he said.

The indictment charges Eastern and the employees with conspiracy, wire fraud, falsification of federal records and obstruction of justice. Eastern has said it has taken "full corrective action" and has noted the alleged violations occurred before March 1989, when the carrier's three major unions staged a crippling strike against the carrier.

Among those charged was Edward Upton, a former vice president of maintenance and engineering. The indictment also named six supervisors, including Dragone, a maintenance director and a maintenance manager. All eight were released on their own recognizance.

Eastern had tried to negotiate a plea agreement with the U.S. Attorney, but talks collapsed when Eastern refused to admit guilt to the conspiracy charge, Martin Shugrue Jr., the carrier's court-appointed trustee, said last month.

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#90218u1878 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	254.00	258.50	253.00	255.65	266.50
Dec	256.00	261.00	256.00	259.05	270.00
Mar	260.25	263.25	260.25	262.85	274.25

Previous day volume: 226 contracts.

Open interest: 1,356 up 11

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	334.65	341.65	334.00	334.40	346.65
Dec	338.55	345.55	337.70	338.20	350.55
Mar	341.85	345.50	340.50	341.50	353.85
Jun	347.30	349.00	345.00	345.60	357.95

Today's estimated volume: 43,381 contracts.

Open interest: 118,407 off 277

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	186.30	186.30	181.30	182.90	189.30
Dec	184.50	186.90	183.00	185.00	191.50
Mar	187.70	189.00	187.70	187.10	193.70

Open interest: 5,824 up 461

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	549.80	558.00	547.00	550.85	569.80
Sep	552.00	559.20	549.50	553.30	572.00

Estimated volume 5,017 contracts.

Open interest: 6,884 up 639

#90218u1883 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.79

60 to 89 days 7.71

90 to 119 days 7.64

120 to 149 days 7.59

150 to 179 days 7.54

180 to 270 days 7.49

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.86 - 7.65

Issuers 30 days 7.76

Issuers 90 days 7.53

Issuers 270 days 7.27

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.90

60 to 89 days 7.87

90 to 119 days 7.85

120 to 149 days 7.84

150 to 179 days 7.84

180 days 7.84

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

1 month 7.875 - 8

3 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

6 month 7.875 - 8

Year 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.31 - 7.29

6 months 7.24 - 7.22

Year 7.13 - 7.11

Federal Funds: High 8, Low 7 15-16, Close 7 15-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 7.737 off 0.016.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		

UAE's Dubai light	23.75-23.80	20.60-20.70
North Sea Brent	26.75-26.80	23.40-23.50
West Texas Intermed	28.05-28.10	24.40-24.50
Light Louisiana Sweet	28.70-28.85	24.85-25.05

New York Harbor spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	85.50-85.75	75.95-76.20
No. 2 Heating oil	74.05-74.30	65.35-65.60

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	83.75-84.25	73.45-73.95
No. 2 Heating oil	71.90-72.10	63.00-63.20

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FAIRFAX, VA (AUG. 6) UPI - Saying he did not want to turn a custody dispute into a media circus, a judge Monday put a gag order on a 12-year-old boy who, in effect, wants to divorce his father.

Daniel Etlin had done several interviews and wanted to speak to other reporters about his being in the middle of a decade-long custody dispute. He voluntarily went into foster care during the weekend rather than return to the custody of his father, Vladimir Etlin.

Daniel spends alternate weekends and the month of July with his mother, Michelle, but wants to live with her full-time.

He has retained an attorney, noted constitutional expert Bruce Fein, who argued in Fairfax County Circuit Court last week that Daniel has a constitutional right to an attorney.

Judge F. Bruce Bach, who has been involved in the case since 1982, allowed Fein to represent the boy but declined to hear his request for a change in custody. Bach said Monday that last Friday's hearing, on the issue of the boy's getting an attorney, was not the appropriate time to debate custody.

Bach convened Monday's emergency hearing because he was concerned about the boy's emotional well-being and said his case should not be tried in the media.

''He is a very, very fragile, emotionally disturbed kid,'' Bach said.

The judge said he did not think Daniel's well-being would best be served by allowing him to continue talking with the media, even though a social worker testified that Daniel wanted to talk with reporters because it ''empowered'' him.

Bach said he was particularly disturbed by a story in Sunday's editions of The Washington Post and by an attempt by a Washington, D.C., television station to interview Daniel on a morning news program.

''I think it's bad. I think it's bad for this case, to go to the media,'' the judge said, noting he was bothered by the image of Daniel marching into court with his briefcase, followed by his attorney and a cadre of reporters.

''I don't think it's in Danny's best interest to turn this case into another Elizabeth Morgan case,'' Bach said, referring to the celebrated Washington, D.C., custody dispute that led Morgan to hide her daughter and spend more than two years in jail.

On Thursday, a hearing will be held on the foster care matter. It was not known when the ultimate custody question would be decided.

Following last Friday's court appearance, Daniel was taken to the county Department of Human Development, where he was evaluated by a psychologist and placed in foster care.

Social worker Elizabeth Lender testified that Daniel was very angry and frustrated after his court appearance and that he spoke of suicide and homicide if he were forced to return to his father's home.

Bach said his order would remain in effect until the boy receives a complete psychological evaluation. The judge also said he would not prevent the parents from speaking with the press, although he said he did not believe that would be beneficial to their case.

Meanwhile, Michelle Etlin filed suit on Monday to remove Bach from the case. She contends the judge's rulings have hurt her son and caused him great pain.

Etlin said her son wants to ''divorce'' his father until he gains control of his feelings. She said Daniel is psychologically and emotionally abused

allegations his father denies.

Etlin said she believed her son's constitutional rights to free speech were violated by Bach's order.

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#90218u1892 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Amdahl Corp	1,634,400	11 3/4	off 5/8
Salomon wtJn	1,495,300	12 5/8	up 1 3/4
Denmark K wt	897,900	13 3/8	up 1 1/2
Paine Webber wtB	840,600	4 7/8	up 5/8
Continental Air	744,300	4	off 5/8
Salomon wtFb	658,300	13 1/2	up 1 3/4
Eksport AS	646,800	4 3/4	up 5/8
Dow Chemical rt	491,600	9 1/8	up 3/8
Summa Medical	465,800	2 1/4	up 1/4
Bankers Trs wt	451,200	31 1/4	up 4 3/4

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#90218u1900 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austrl	.000183	.000180	5475.00	5545.00
Australia dlr	.7878	.7847	1.2694	1.2744
Austria schill	.0905	.0894	11.05	11.18
Belgium frnc-c	.0309	.0306	32.35	32.71
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0141	.0141	70.82	70.72
Britain pound	1.8715	1.8545	.5343	.5392
Britain 1-mo	1.8598	1.8437	.5377	.5424
Britain 3-mo	1.8395	1.8227	.5436	.5486
Britain 6-mo	1.8096	1.7934	.5526	.5576
Canada dollar	.8697	.8682	1.1498	1.1518
Canada 1-mo	.8657	.8642	1.1552	1.1572
Canada 3-mo	.8551	.8571	1.1695	1.1667
Canada 6-mo	.8501	.8485	1.1763	1.1786

Chile peso-f	.003462	.003464	288.81	288.67
China yuan	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127
Colombia pes	.001980	.001982	505.09	504.55
Denmark krne	.1668	.1647	5.9950	6.0705
Ecudr sucr-z	.001111	.001108	899.91	902.88
Egypt pound	.3742	.3742	2.6727	2.6727
Finlnd mrkka	.2695	.2669	3.7100	3.7470
France franc	.1891	.1872	5.2890	5.3410
France 1-mo	.1888	.1869	5.2974	5.3491
France 3-mo	.1881	.1863	5.3165	5.3672
France 6-mo	.1871	.1853	5.3460	5.3955
Greece drach	.006480	.006424	154.31	155.67
Hollnd guildr	.5626	.5574	1.7776	1.7940
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1288	7.7720	7.7660
India rupee	.0580	.0578	17.25	17.31
Indo'sa rupia	.000543	.000543	1842.00	1841.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7055	1.6795	0.5863	0.5954
Israel shekel	.5025	.5000	1.9900	2.0000
Italy lira	.000866	.000858	1154.50	1165.25
Japan yen	.006658	.006671	150.20	149.90
Japan 1-mo	.006658	.006672	150.19	149.89
Japan 3-mo	.006658	.006671	150.19	149.90
Japan 6-mo	.006658	.006672	150.20	149.89
Jordan dinar	1.5328	1.5305	0.6524	0.6534
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico pes-z	.000349	.000349	2864.00	2864.00
N.Zealand dlr	.5980	.5933	1.6722	1.6855
Norway krne	.1640	.1623	6.0960	6.1600
Pakistn rupee	.0466	.0466	21.48	21.48
Peru inti	.000007	.000006	147,750	167,450
P'pnes peso-z	.0441	.0441	22.66	22.66
Portugl escd	.007219	.007148	138.53	139.89
Saudi riyal	.2668	.2668	3.7480	3.7480
Singapore dlr	.5549	.5534	1.8022	1.8070
S.Africa rand	.3889	.3863	2.5715	2.5884
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010325	.010217	96.85	97.88
Sweden krona	.1726	.1714	5.7950	5.8330
Switzrl franc	.7508	.7402	1.3320	1.3510
Switzrl 1-mo	.7500	.7396	1.3334	1.3521
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7483	.7382	1.3364	1.3546
Switzrl 6-mo	.7460	.7362	1.3405	1.3584
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0373	26.88	26.84
Turkey lira	.000379	.000378	2642.00	2646.00
UAE dirham	.2725	.2725	3.6699	3.6699

Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0206	.0206	48.56	48.56
W.Ger Mark	.6337	.6277	1.5780	1.5930
W.Ger 1-mo	.6335	.6276	1.5785	1.5934
W.Ger 3-mo	.6328	.6270	1.5803	1.5949
W.Ger 6-mo	.6313	.6257	1.5841	1.5982
Yugoes dinar	.0925	.0915	10.81	10.93

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90218u1903 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - Exporters sold 211,328 metric tons of U.S. corn for delivery to Japan, the No. 1 buyer of U.S. agricultural products, the Agriculture Department reported Monday.

The grain was worth $21.2 million, based on Chicago prices. There are 39.4 bushels of corn in a metric ton of 2,204.6 pounds, so the sale called for delivery of 8.3 million bushels of new-crop corn.

With the latest sale, Japanese buyers have purchased 3.85 million tons of U.S. corn for delivery during the 1990-1991 marketing year, which begins Sept. 1. Japan has purchased 14.7 million tons of U.S. corn during the current corn marketing year.

Japan was forecast to buy $8.3 billion worth of U.S. farm exports this fiscal year, a $150 million increase from the preceding year. The purchase was announced three days before Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter was due to leave on a trip to Japan and other Asian nations to discuss trade matters.

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#90218u1907 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas asked the Justice Department to begin an antitrust investigation Monday into gasoline ''price-gouging'' by U.S. oil companies after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

In a letter to Attorney General Dick Thornburgh, Dole asked for a Justice Department antitrust investigation to determine if there was illegal ''collusive activity among oil refiners, wholesalers and retailers.''

'''Price-gouging' is a harsh term, but it is a term that seems to most

aptly describe the situation we are now witnessing,'' Dole told Thornburgh.

Dole said: ''In some areas, gasoline prices have risen by as much as 25 cents per gallon - all in a matter of a few days.''

Raising concern about the overall state of the economy, Dole said, ''If antitrust violations have anything to do with the soaring prices at the gas pumps, these violations should be identified and remedied without delay.''

The Justice Department had no immediate comment.

Meanwhile, Sen. Richard Bryan, D-Nev., said he would hold a hearing Tuesday on a ''feeding frenzy'' and ''price-gouging'' by ''the big oil companies.''

Bryan said, ''Our stockpile of oil is at the highest level in eight years. There is no supply shortage to justify these price increases.''

Bryan said his Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation subcommittee had invited top oil company executives to testify, including the chief executives of Texaco, Mobil, Exxon, Chevron, Shell, Atlantic Richfield, Occidental Petroleum and Phillips Petroleum.

It was not known which companies, if any, would appear, Bryan said.

Bryan's consumer subcommittee also is interested in the justification, if any, of fuel surcharges being added to some airline tickets.

Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., estimated that American consumers are paying between $12 million and $42 million extra each day for gasoline because of oil company ''profiteering'' from the Middle East crisis.

Gas prices have shot up nationwide, Lieberman said, and ''none of that price increase is justified. It is a multimillion-dollar ripoff of the American consumer.''

American oil companies are using the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait as an excuse ''to invade the pockets of American consumers'' by unjustified increases in gasoline prices, Lieberman said. He said President Bush should call on major oil companies to roll back their price hikes.

Sen. Donald Riegle, D-Mich., said: ''I think it's essential that the president be tough as nails on this issue. This is price-fixing, pure and simple.''

Lieberman, Bryan and Riegle - who appeared together at a news conference - all said that the American economy is extremely vulnerable to the effects

of gasoline price shocks and could be pushed into a recession.

Lieberman, who on Friday asked Bush to convene an emergency task force on oil prices, said Monday that 17 senators had since signed his letter. Lieberman said he had received no reaction from the White House.

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#90218u1921 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6625	off 225
Gatx pf	57 3/4	off 23 3/4
Captl Cities	497	off 18 1/2
Benf pfC	213 1/2	off 12 3/4
UAL Corp	110 3/4	off 11 3/4
Luby's Cafe	19	off 11 1/8
Household pf	83 3/4	off 8 1/4
Am Brdcst pfA	126 1/2	off 7 5/8
Barns Group	27 1/4	up 7 1/4
Disney World	102 3/8	off 7 1/8
Wash Post	230 1/4	off 7

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#90218u1930 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - Some Soviet officials predict a huge, record-breaking grain crop this year but the crop may be smaller than now claimed, an agricultural attache's report said Monday.

The report, based on Soviet documents, noted there is less land in grain production than when the record was set in 1978, more grain may be kept for livestock feed and weather conditions have not been as uniformly favorable as in 1978.

The record for Soviet grain production is 237 million metric tons. In the past week, a senior Soviet agricultural official said this year's crop could total 260 million tons.

By contrast, the Agriculture Department consistently has pegged the crop at 215 million tons, which would be the largest crop since 1978. The department is due to update its forecast Thursday.

"Although some Soviet officials compare this crop to the record ... the article notes that there are offsetting factors which preclude achievement of this goal," the Moscow-based attache said, drawing on a report from the

Soviet State Commission for Statistics.

About 111 million hectares were sown to grain this year, 17 million less than in 1978. About four million hectares of grain may not be harvested or may be harvested for feed. There are roughly 2.5 acres in a hectare.

One U.S. observer said Soviet reports of a large crop might be an attempt at "talking down the market" price for imported grain. The Agriculture Department has forecast the Kremlin would import 36 million tons of foreign grain during the 1990-1991 trade year despite having a large domestic crop.

Reform policies implemented last year with the hope of persuading farmers to sell more grain to the state brought only limited results. Some analysts said Soviet farmers held on to their grain for use as livestock feed because they felt prices for premixed rations were too steep.

Agriculture Department analysts estimate about 13 percent of the Soviet crop will be lost to dockage or waste, partly due to the tendency to store grain on the farm.

The analysts have forecast Soviet yields to be a record high 1.92 metric tons per hectare, or the equivalent of 28.5 bushels of wheat an acre. They also have noted winter kill losses were half the usual rate this year.

The report of a possible huge Soviet crop have prompted concern in the U.S. grain industry about a downturn in export sales. The United States is the No. 1 grain merchandiser to the Soviets and has sold 20.3 million tons of corn and wheat to the Kremlin this fiscal year.

One observer noted the grain industry has some assurance of sales, thanks to the new U.S.-Soviet grain agreement, which obligates the Soviet Union to buy ten million tons a year of U.S. grain.

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#90218u1936 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - Liberian rebels have taken a number of foreigners hostage, including one American, the State Department said Monday.

Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler described the prisoners taken by rebels led by Prince Johnson as hostages.

She said 14 or 15 foreigners, including one American, were taken by the Johnson forces from the Africa Hotel in downtown Monrovia.

When Johnson threatened to take hostages, the United States started an

aerial evacuation of most Americans in Monrovia. According to the State Department, 74 people were taken to ships on Sunday, including 62 U.S. citizens. She said another 20 people were taken to U.S. ships on Monday by Marine helicopters..

An estimated 300 Americans remain in Liberia, unable to reach the embassy in Monrovia, where the evacuation operation is centered.

She did not identify any of the hostages.

She said Monrovia remains relatively quiet, with only sporadic fighting. All major stores remain closed. There is no public water, electricity or phone service. Food shortages are worsening.

The hostages, she said, were taken by the Johnson forces to rebel forces headquarters in the town of Calweld, near Monrovia. She said that none of the hostages had been harmed, to the best of her knowledge.

Prince Johnson is an opponent of the government of Samuel Doe, but he is also opposed to the principal rebel force, led by a former government minister, Charles Taylor.

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#90218u1940 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.93	8.03	8.75
91-day Treasury bills	7.54	7.69	7.93
182-day Treasury bills	7.59	7.68	7.75
1-year Treasury bills	7.61	7.68	7.59
3-year Treasury notes	8.07	8.02	8.00
7-year Treasury notes	8.54	8.29	7.98
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.79	8.46	8.08
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.25	9.05	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.82	9.50	9.12
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.09	8.88	9.04
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.39	9.09	9.03
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.46	9.21	9.26
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.44	9.19	9.24

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90218u1941 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	127,986,536	37 1/4	off 2
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	102,698,000	34	off 1 3/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	78,866,368	72 3/4	off 7 3/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	71,030,664	60 1/2	off 2 3/4
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	65,400,188	27 5/8	off 3 1/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	59,963,236	52 3/4	off 3 1/4
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	59,142,380	39 1/2	off 1 3/4
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	57,667,472	81 1/2	off 4 1/4
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	47,872,664	21 7/8	off 3 1/8
St Jude Medcl	(STJM)	39,312,424	26 5/8	off 2 3/8

Composite Index 175.11 off 7.77

NMS volume 134,901,008 shares.

Advances	340
Declines	1,564
Unchanged	914
Total	2,818

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#90218u1942 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - The U-N Security Council today imposed a global economic and military embargo on Iraq in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. The embargo includes a ban on oil imports from Iraq or Kuwait and on arms sales to the Baghdad regime.

Iraq's U-N ambassador declared before the vote that ''everyone will suffer'' if the council adopted the embargo. The diplomat also denounced the United States for initiating the measure that his government considers- as he puts it- ''null and void.''

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein sent a message to President Bush today saying he will NOT attack Saudi Arabia. Hussein also says he wants normal relations with Washington. But that could be threatened by- among other things- today's roundup of 28 Americans in Kuwait.

About 21-hundred Marines aboard five amphibious warships left their home

port in Norfolk, Virginia, today to bolster U-S forces in the Middle East. The Marines will be joined in the Atlantic tomorrow by an aircraft carrier and a 10-ship battle group.

International observers say today's dismissal of Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was an attempt by the military to regain control of the nation. Bhutto was elected to office in December 1988 after more than a decade of military rule.

The mother of one of three youths charged with beating and raping a Central Park jogger was thrown out of a New York courtroom today after she screamed that prosecutors were lying. The mother says police coerced a confession from her 15-year-old son.

Sri Lankan rebels continued a campaign of terror against Moslem civilians today by hacking to death 25 farmers at work in a rice paddy in the eastern part of the country. The separatist rebels left notes warning Moslems to get out of the region.

The chief of the Organization of African Unity says he hopes the O-A-U's scheduled meeting today in Gambia will produce a resolution on the seven-month-old Liberian civil war. The war has left five-thousand people dead.

A Malaysian judge is considering whether to rule as inadmissible a possibly illegal confession in the trial of the first American charged under the country's tough drug law. Californian Kerry Wiley faces a death sentence if convicted.

Coast Guard officials in Texas today scaled down efforts to clean up 700-hundred thousand gallons of oil spilled in Galveston Bay. They say most of the oil has been recovered or has evaporated.

Famed Chicago gangster Al Capone got a new trial today and was found innocent of income tax evasion charges. But the mock trial at the American Bar Association meeting in Chicago was about 60 years too late for Capone... who was sentenced to 11 years in prison on the charges in 1931.

Brooklyn Borough President Howard Golden wants the name ''Brooklyn Dodgers'' to become part of the public domain. Golden is seeking a court order to head off a lawsuit filed by the Los Angeles Dodgers against two New York men who use ''Brooklyn Dodgers'' in the name of their restaurants.

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#90218u1947 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - With internationalization of retailing on the increase, unions representing commercial workers in 20 countries met Monday

and vowed to join forces in fighting unfair labor practices they said multinational companies engage in.

Their conference, sponsored by the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union and the Geneva-based Federation of Commercial, Clerical, Professional and Technical Employee Unions, is the first to plan coordinated strategies for dealing with international companies.

"Just as our employers hopscotch national borders and oceans, so too must labor's strategies," said UFCW International President William H. Wynn in hisopening adress. Wynn said workers worldwide are threatened by multinationals trying to apply "lowest-common-denominator labor protections."

Using as an example of this a free-trade treaty signed by the United States and Canada, Wynn said that "the U.S. government eyes Canada's superior package of social insurance and sees a threat to free trade." But intead of raising U.S. standards, the Bush administration "is demanding that Canada reduce its benefits to our inferior levels," Wynn continued.

The internationalization of retailing promises greater choice and perhaps lower prices for many of the world's consumers, said Philip Jennings, acting general secretary of FIET. "But this must come from economies of scale and increased efficiency, not lowering workers' standards."

Jennings exhorted the unions to develop a "database giving precise information on companies, their union strength and where we have collective bargaining rights, and more systematic reporting on retailers which abuse union rights."

He also asked for a global campaign to obtain more rights for workers in takeovers and for "corporate campaigns which involve close coordination and involvement of our affiliates."

Working groups will sit down Tuesday to develop strategies for organizating workers and combatting union-busting, aimed at specific multinational companies. The Tuesday meetings will take place behind closed doors.

According to UFCW spokesman Bruce Kozarsky, the targets include Food Lion Inc., a supermarket chain in the southeastern United States owned by the Belgian company Delhaize; the Furrs supermarket chain, based in Albuquerque, N.M., and owned by the German company Leibbrand; and the Swedish retailer Ikea, which is expanding in the United States and Europe.

Attending the conference were union leaders from Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Britain, Canada, Denmark, France, West Germany, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Malaysia, the Netherlands, Poland, Singapore, South Africa,

Sweden, the United States and Zimbabwe.

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#90218u1950 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 6) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 23
New lows 141

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	132	9,779,500
Declines	574	11,473,100
Unchanged	165	2,017,400
Total	871	23,270,000

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#90218u1954 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 6) UPI - The lawyer for U.S. District Judge Robert Aguilar told jurors in the opening day of Aguilar's corruption retrial Monday that ''he never took one dirty nickle.''

Aguilar, 59, began his second - and significantly scaled-down - trial on five counts of conspiring to obstruct justice, lying to the FBI and disclosure of wiretap information.

Aguilar sat impassive behind the defense table as the prosecution accused him of using his office in a failed attempt to influence another judge.

The government abandoned its attempt to convict Aguilar of the more serious charge of racketeering. His original indictment in 1989 made Aguilar the first federal judge in the nation tried on racketeering charges.

His 1989 trial on eight counts ended March 19 with acquittal on one count of obstruction of justice. Jurors deadlocked on the remaining counts, voting heavily for acquittal.

Aguilar is accused of attempting to influence U.S. District Judge Stanley Weigel to overturn the 1980 embezzling conviction of former Teamsters union leader Rudy Tham.

Tham, 66, and Abe Chapman, 84, a distant Aguilar relative and purported 1930s mob assassin, allegedly conspired to persuade Aguilar to help Tham.

Federal prosecutor William Keefer told jurors that Aguilar was ''reluctant more cautious, but was willing to go along'' with the conspiracy.

The object of Tham and Chapman was ''turning Aguilar away from being an honest and fair judge,'' Keefer said.

Paul Meltzer, Aguilar's new lawyer, countered, ''No decision by Judge Aguilar was ever improperly influenced. ... No fix was ever requested. No fix was ever offered. He never took one dirty nickle.''

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#90218u1956 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	417.34	399.42	400.04	off 17.42
Industrial	444.57	426.12	426.59	off 21.34
Finance	405.67	397.09	397.86	off 8.97
Insurance	477.28	460.77	462.78	off 15.24
Utility	570.95	547.66	550.34	off 26.11
Bank	305.21	296.79	299.02	off 6.70
Transport	450.98	434.73	435.93	off 21.14

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 468.86

1990 Low (1-30) 410.72

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	175.11 off 7.77
Industrial Index	168.44 off 8.58
NASDAQ-100 Index	402.91 off 22.30
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.91 off 0.37
Volume	174,810,400 shares
Advances	340
Declines	1,564
Unchanged	914
Total	2,818

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	184.70	183.06	183.32	off 5.50
Industrial	231.19	228.58	228.87	off 6.91
Transport	154.02	151.20	151.33	off 6.78
Utility	86.98	86.69	86.85	off 2.44
Finance	129.75	129.22	129.64	off 3.77

Equivalent to a lose of 97 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 240,400,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	174,810,400
Advances	421
Declines	2,058
Unchanged	1,802
Total	4,281

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#90218u1973 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 6) UPI - Nearly 1,700 people died in political violence in the first seven months of the year, surpassing the death toll for all of 1989, the South African Institute of Race Relations reported Monday.

The report coincided with an upsurge in fighting Monday in the township of Kasigo, west of Johannesburg, between alleged supporters of the African National Congress and the rival Zulu movement Inkatha.

Six new deaths were reported in the offshoot of a conflict once confined to the Indian Ocean province of Natal, pushing the death toll to 10 since Sunday night. The two sides traded accusations over who was responsible and police said they arrested 57 people.

State-run radio reported 16 others suffered stab wounds in the fighting at a township hostel - the worst Inkatha-ANC clash since 22 people died in the township of Sebokeng south of Johannesburg last month.

The independent race relations institute reported 1,591 people had died in political violence between January and June, with some 75 percent of the fatalities ocurring in Natal, where the ANC-Inkatha conflict exploded in 1987.

Another 92 people died in political violence in July, nearly triple the number of the previous month.

The death toll for 1989 was 1,403, the SAIRR report said, and some 7,130 people have died since since September 1984 when widespread

anti-government rioting over the continued exclusion of blacks from national power first erupted.

Of the killings this year, 48 were classified as 'necklace murders,' or the wiring of a burning tire around the victim's neck. The report said most of these killings had occurred in Natal.

The institute said the cause of all the fatalities was difficult to determine.

It reported a ''substantial number of deaths due to police action'' in January, February and March, but said, ''It appeared that the number of such deaths had more than halved in the second three months of the year.

''There had, however, been a very large increase in the number of security forces killed, most such fatalities being municipal policemen,'' the report said.

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#90218u1992 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 6) UPI - The fourth and final defendant in the Enrique Camarena murder trial was convicted Monday of charges he participated in the murders of two American tourists killed after being mistaken for U.S. drug agents.

Javier Vasquez Velasco, 38, who served as a bodyguard for Mexican drug lords, was convicted on two counts of committing violent crimes to further drug trafficking.

The charges stemmed from Vasquez's role in the fatal beatings of John Walker and Alberto Radelat at a Guadalajara restaurant. The two were killed when they inadvertently walked into a party of drug traffickers at the La Longosta restaurant on Jan. 30, 1985 and were mistaken for Drug Enforcement Administration agents.

At the time, Walker had been living in Guadalajara and was writing a mystery novel. Radelat, his friend, was visiting him.

The slayings occurred a week before Camarena, a DEA agent, was abducted on a Guadalajara street, interrogated, tortured for more than 30 hours and killed by drug traffickers, allegedly in retribution for DEA raids on marijuana plantations.

In seperate convictions by the same jury, three other defendants have been found guilty of conspiracy, kidnapping and other crimes stemming from Camarena's murder. Vasquez was the only defendant charged with the Walker and Radelat slayings.

Most of the evidence against Vasquez was provided by a former Mexican police officer, Enrique Placencia Aguilar, who testified that he saw Vasquez join 10 to 15 drug traffickers in the beatings of the two Americans.

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#90218u2010 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Monday it granted permission to NCNB Corp., the nation's third-largest bank, to offer securities brokerage services through subsidiary NCNB Capital Markets Inc.

NCNB, based in Charlotte, N.C., has $69.4 billion in assets, operates ten subsidiary banks and already underwrites and deals in municipal revenue bonds, mortgage-backed securities and commercial paper.

The company is registered as a broker-dealer under federal and state securities laws and is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, the Fed said.

In addition to selling stocks and bonds, the subsidiary will provide investment advisory services and participate in the private placement or sale of an entire issue of stock to a small group of investors.

"The board expects that the ... entry of NCNB into the market for these services would increase the level of competition among providers of these services," the Fed said.

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#90218u2021 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - The sequestered jury in the cocaine and perjury trial of Mayor Marion Barry, beginning their eighth week apart from their families, spent a fourth day in deliberations Monday without reaching a verdict

The jury was in the deliberation room for nearly eight hours Monday, starting earlier than expected at 9:15 a.m. and sending out for lunch while working to reach a verdict on all 14 counts.

The jury, which received the case late Thursday and deliberated 6 1/2 hours Friday, also met for four hours Saturday in a rare weekend session, asking for and receiving more than 100 documents from testimony during the trial.

It was not known if the jury deliberated the entire time it was behind closed doors Monday.

Defense attorney R. Kenneth Mundy said he did not expect the jury to return with a verdict before Wednesday, adding that, by then, ''They will have had a chance to go over all the counts and the evidence.''

The panel of 10 blacks and two whites, which has been sequestered since June 18, is considering Barry's guilt or innocence on three felony counts of perjury, 10 misdemeanor counts of cocaine possession and a single misdemeanor count of conspiracy to possess cocaine.

If convicted of all counts, Barry could be sentenced to a maximum of 26 years in prison and fined $1.85 million.

Ten prosecution witnesses took the stand during 6 1/2 weeks of testimony to say that Barry used cocaine or obtained the drug dating back to 1983.

The government also showed a videotape of Barry taking two long puffs from a crack pipe during the Jan. 18 FBI sting operation during which he was arrested.

Mundy acknowledged during his closing arguments that Barry had been an ''occasional'' cocaine user, but argued prosecutors never proved Barry used the drug at most of the times alleged in the indictment.

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#90218u2023 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - Some 2,100 Marines aboard the assault ship USS Inchon and four other amphibious warships left port Monday to beef up U.S. forces in the Middle East where Iraqi troops were poised on Saudi Arabia's border.

The naval movements came as Defense Secretary Dick Cheney flew to Saudi Arabia to reassure King Fahd of U.S. support and to try to persuade him to allow U.S. forces to use his desert military bases for staging points.

The five-ship amphibious force that left port Monday is to be joined in the Atlantic Tuesday by the aircraft carrier USS Saratoga and a 10-ship battle group that includes the battleship USS Wisconsin, two guided-missile cruisers and three destroyers.

The United States currently has a total of 34 warships in the Middle East and Persian Gulf region. With the expected arrival of the Saratoga and amphibious group in about 10 days, the United States will have 49 warships in the area.

With the new addition, the United States will have three aircraft carriers in the Middle East - the Saratoga and the USS Eisenhower in the

Mediterranean and the USS Independence in the northern Arabian Sea, outside the Persian Gulf.

Each aircraft carrier is capable of launching up to 80 fighter and attack jets that could be used for tactical air strikes on Iraqi invasion troops - one of the military options that Bush is considering.

Other options, according to a senior defense official, include launching U.S. bombers, perhaps from Incirlik Air Base in Turkey, against the Iraqi capital of Baghdad and Iraqi oil fields, or to conduct a naval blockade of Iraqi oil exports in the Persian Gulf.

The Pentagon declined comment on news reports that U.S. F-111 fighter-bombers were transferred Monday from bases in Britain to Incirlik in Turkey.

The United States has eight warships, led by the command ship USS LaSalle, patrolling inside the Persian Gulf.

The Pentagon said officially that the Saratoga was being sent to replace the Eisenhower, which has been deployed for the standard six-month tour, but no one expects the Eisenhower to be withdrawn in the midst of the crisis.

The five-ship Mediterranean Amphibious Ready Group left Norfolk, Va., Monday, carrying the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit of Camp LeJeune, N.C. It is led by the USS Inchon, an Iwo Jima-class amphibious assault ship that carries about 2,100 combat Marines, 31 helicopters and landing craft.

At the White House, spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said President Bush talked to Cheney before the defense secretary headed into his first meeting Monday with Fahd.

''Quite obviously we are discussing the possible threat by Iraqi forces directly to that country,'' Fitzwater said.

''The Iraq forces are consolidating their strongholds in Kuwait. They are close to the Saudi Arabian border and ... we are very concerned about that and believe there is a threat there that we need to discuss directly with the Saudis.

''Again,'' Fitzwater said, ''I don't want to confirm details but it's quite clear that that would involve appropriate ways to defend their country.''

A senior Pentagon official familiar with U.S. intelligence reports said Iraq is not withdrawing its 100,000 invasion troops from Kuwait, despite claims to the contrary by Baghdad.

''Nothing is moving back to Iraq,'' the official said.

Between 25,000 and 30,000 Iraqi troops were massed on the Saudi Arabian border, the U.S. official said, and the Saudis - which have a total of about 67,000 men in uniform - had moved some troops and tanks north, but not in numbers that would threaten the Iraqis.

''It's a standoff at this point,'' he said.

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#90218u2028 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

SAN ANTONIO (AUG. 6) UPI - Tesoro Petroleum Corp. Monday reported fiscal third quarter earnings of $8 million, or 40 cents a share, compared with a loss of $9.3 million in the same period of last year.

Last year's loss included a $4.8 million write-off of the company's investment in exploration activities in France. Revenues in the third quarter ended June 30 totaled $237.4 million, up from $223..6 million last year.

The latest quarter's earnings was due largely to higher gross margins on refined products and to operating results from the company's operations in Bolivia.

In the nine months of this year, Tesoro earned $15.7 million, or 62 cents a share, compared with a net loss of $16.5 million in the same period of last year. Revenues for the nine months totaled $692.4 million, compared with $549 million last year.

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#90218u2036 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 6) UPI - The future of U.S.-Soviet economic relations will depend on the Kremlin's commitment to establishing rule of law and ensuring free emigration for Soviet Jews, Attorney General Richard Thornburgh said Monday.

"One of these Soviets' principles and reasons for their great interest in the rule of law is their immediate and pressing need to jump-start their participation in the world economy by attracting foreign know-how and investment," Thornburgh told the American Bar Association.

But he said the Soviets must show they are truly committed to the rule of law in general, and specifically to a law-based right of emigration for Soviet Jews, before the United States will grant them most-favored-nation trade status.

"So-called new thinkers in the Soviet Union have now embarked on what appears to be a truly idealistic and laudable attempt to establish the rule of law, or, in President Gorbachev's word, 'law-based state,'" Thornburgh said. "So often you hear it optimistically said, 'Remember that Mikhail Gorbachev was trained as a lawyer'; yes, but so was Lenin," Thornburgh said.

"But the Soviets recognize that, to attract investments and commercial developments, they must establish the kind of predictability and stability that can only emerge from a body of commercial law, which, in turn, respects the sanctity of contracts and, yes, recognizes property rights as well."

"Fear of abrogation of contract rights or expropriation of investments, they recognize, could well stump otherwise attractive commercial and industrial initiatives," Thornburgh added. He noted the Supreme Soviet, the Soviet Union's legislative body, is currently drafting property-rights legislation.

Thornburgh also noted that the Soviet's "adept legal accommodation" is evident in their liberalization of emigration policies. "We are convinced they are now doing their legal utmost to facilitate the issuance of emigration visas - and a new exodus follows upon a rise of anti-semitism in Russia. But here, again, their interest is not wholly altruistic," Thornburgh said.

He said the Soviets hope to meet the requirements of the Jackson-Varnik legislation in which Congress made free emigration a requirement for extension of most-favored-nation trade status.

"Still," Thornburgh said, "we must must be convinced - as in so much else undertaken in the name of Soviet legal reform - that not just the letter but the spirit of the law has taken root in the Soviet Union.

"That is the essence of the agreement reached between Presidents Bush and Gorbachev during the recent summit: that any trade agreement remains contingent upon legislative action by the Supreme Soviet in support of free emigration," he said.

"We are, in short, watching to see that opportunities to emigrate are institutionalized in law and practice and not just episodic in the present flux of Soviet democratization," Thurnburgh said.

A large ABA delegation will travel to Moscow next month for a "legal summit" - following in the footsteps of Thornburgh, who visited the Soviet Union last fall for wide-ranging discussions on Soviet legal reform.

"Happily, the very things the Russians found most curious about our democracy let us discuss those practices in our law that really make our democratic process work," he said.

He said the Soviets were particularly interested in the federal system - how the United States remains united despite differences among federal and state governments.

"Obviously, there are worrying about the unrest among their own republics. ... They are looking to us for ways, if you will, to deal with their own diversity," Thornburgh said.

He said the Soviets seem very confused about the U.S. constitutional principle of separation of powers. "But more than confusion over concepts characterizes the concern of Soviet legal thinkers," he said. "For example the most dire emergency they face - besides national unrest - is the state of their economy. To survive economically, they must enter the free-world marketplace."

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#90218u2042 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 465.33, off 3.18 percent. This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90218u2044 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein told President Bush Monday he will not attack Saudi Arabia and wants ''normal relations'' with Washington, but he appeared to raise the stakes of war by rounding up 28 Americans and hundreds of other foreigners in occupied Kuwait.

Despite Saddam's assurances, Saudi and U.S. military officials braced for a possible Iraqi attack on the oil rich kingdom and the United Nations imposed harsh economic sanctions aimed at pressuring Saddam to withdraw his troops from Kuwait.

Baghdad Radio, monitored in Beirut, also reported that Saddam issued a veiled warning to Bush, telling the U.S. charge d'affaires in Baghdad that ''Iraq is capable of protecting its rights and interests whatever the pressures ... and that the country's readiness to sacrifice for that cause is unlimited.''

In developments Monday in the explosive crisis, which began Thursday when Iraq sezied Kuwait:

- Defense Secretary Dick Cheney arrived in Riyadh, reportedly to discuss strategies for sending U.S. troops into Saudi Arabia should Iraqi troops massed at the Kuwaiti-Saudi border launch an attack.

- Stock prices around the world plummeted and gas prices rose in reaction to reports the world will shun oil from Iraq and Kuwait, which provide an estimated 10 percent of the crude on the market.

- The U.N. Security Council directed all 159 member states of the United Nations to impose a worldwide economic and military embargo on Iraq in one of the stiffest penalties ever meted out by the international agency. Bush praised the action and vowed they would be enforced.

- Officials in Bonn, Washington and London said Iraqi troops ordered approximately 400 foreigners, including 28 Americans, out of Kuwait city hotels and took them in buses toward Baghdad. Eleven other American oil workers are already being detained in Iraq.

- Saudia Arabia reportedly fully mobilized its army and massed troops in a neutral zone of oil fields along the country's border with occupied Kuwait.

- In response, Iraq ordered drills to evacuate 4 million residents from Baghdad in the event of an air attack and issued rifles to government supporters.

- The Pentagon announced in Washington further U.S. naval vessels would leave port Monday and Tuesday to strengthen forces in the vicinity of the crisis zone.

- Hundreds of Jordanians flocked to the Iraqi Embassy in Amman to get visas so they could travel to Iraq and fight on the side of Baghdad.

- Turkey announced that, in a surprise move, Iraq had shut off the flow of oil along a pipeline that runs across Turkey to the Mediterranean and reduced the flow in another pipeline to 70 percent.

Iraq invaded its oil-rich neighbor Thursday, accusing it of overproducing oil and driving down prices. International observers have said Saddam seized Kuwait in hopes of infusing Iraq's troubled economy with its riches and in an effort to appease his military supporters.

But Bush pushed for a worldwide freeze on Kuwaiti assests and other economic sanctions that have left Saddam empty handed. And while no one appeared ready to go to war over Kuwait, moves by Washington and other countries Monday indicated Iraq would face more than the Saudi army should it send its troops across Kuwait's border.

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#90218u2056 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL (AUG. 6) UPI - Foreign Minister Francisco Rezek defended Brazilian arm sales to Iraq Monday, but said it would review future sales following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Rezek said the "Brazilian arms are purely defensive and we are disappointed to see them used in offensive military actions." Brazil in recent years has sold Iraq $100 million in missiles, armored personnel carriers and missile launching trucks. In the face of the current Middle East crisis, Rezek said the Brazilian government "will have to review its criteria and rethink arm sales to Iraq."

The Brazilian foreign minister also said his country does not recognize the provisional government of Col. Al-Huss Ein Ali installed by the Iraqi government in Kuwait. Rezek said Brazil does not plan to adopt any repraisals against Iraq.

Iraq is Brazil's chief supplier of petroleum, exporting an estimated 140,000 barrels of oil daily, appoximately 30 percent of Brazil's total imported crude.

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#90218u2057 08/06/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 6) UPI - U-N member nations are under orders to obey an economic and military embargo on Iraq because of its invasion of Kuwait. The U-N Security Council voted 13-0, with two abstentions, to impose the embargo pushed by the United States. Kuwait's ambassador thanked the council for the action. But Iraq's U-N envoy said everyone will suffer from the action which his government considers- quote- ''null and void.''

A U-S State Department spokeswoman says it would be premature to describe as hostages 28 Americans who were taken from their hotels in Kuwait today. The Americans and several other westerners were rounded up by Iraqi forces and driven away on buses. But the spokeswoman says the situation is- in her words- ''a very serious matter.'' U-S officials in Washington called in the Iraqi ambassador to discuss this latest development in the Middle East.

President Bush is staying close to home because of on-going budget negotiations... delaying a trip to Latin America. But the White House says Bush still plans to hit the campaign trail to drum up support for Republican candidates. Bush will hit more than a dozen cities during an eight-day swing next month.

Scotland Yard investigators say they suspect a bomb found beneath a car

parked outside the former home of a retired Cabinet member today was the work of the Irish Republican Army. Police say the bomb they defused may have been intended for Lord Robert Armstrong. The discovery comes one week after a I-R-A bomb killed Conservative Party member Ian Gow .

Andrew Young hit the streets today to try to rally fresh support for his bid to become Georgia's first black governor. Young has only a few hours to narrow the gap between himself and front-runner Zell Miller before tomorrow's Democratic run-off. Recent polls show Miller... the state's lieutenant governor... enjoys a 20-point lead.

A study that asked the question... ''Did Poe Just Say No''... found that American author Edgar Allen Poe did NOT deserve his reputation as a drug addict. A researcher commissioned by Pennsylvania's National Park Service combed through Poe's letters and other sources for evidence of Poe's reputed opium and morphine habits, but found none. There are plans for the study to be used to teach children that drugs have nothing to do with creativity.

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#90218u2071 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

BOGOTA, COLOMBIA (AUG. 6) UPI - Cesar Gaviria, a 43-year-old economist, takes office Tuesday as the new president of violence-torn Colombia amid massive security measures against possible attacks by a warring cocaine cartel.

Soldiers were stationed on nearly every block along key routes in the capital to protect Latin American and foreign delegations arriving for the ceremony. Vice President Dan Quayle was to represent the United States.

Helicopters patrolled from the air, while police set up roadblocks and were searching vehicles for arms and explosives for possible use in attacks by a warring cocaine cartel or communist guerrillas.

Soldiers and police occupied buildings surrounding the inauguration site in the center of the city, where traffic was suspended. Hospitals and ambulances were put on alert.

Gaviria will take the oath of office in an open air ceremony between congress and the presidential palace. The new president, his family, outgoing President Virgilio Barco and other top officials will participate from behind a facade of bulletproof glass on a specially built platform.

Gaviria's Cabinet was revealed Monday, including a former guerrilla who was named health minister. Gaviria would name a Cabinet that includes five members of other political parties, aides said. The president-elect had pledged to head a government that included representatives from the major

political forces.

Antonio Navarro, a former guerrilla leader who now leads a leftist political party, confirmed to reporters he had accepted the health ministry post. Navarro once was jailed for guerrilla activities and was seriously wounded in an attack before his M-19 group gave up its arms earlier this year and formed a politial party.

The security measures came despite a peace declaration July 27 by the warring Medellin Cartel. The cartel, blamed for dozens of bombings and hundreds of murders since it declared war on the nation last year, said it would not carry out further attacks.

But the communique signed by the cartel hit squad The Extraditables also appeared to warn that it expects an end to extradition of trafficking suspects to the United States.

During the presidential campaign, Gaviria took the toughest stand against the cocaine cartels, promising to improve on Barco's hard-line policies. He said he viewed extradition as one of the tools in the fight against the cartels.

But a diplomat said it appeared Gaviria may not be willing to extradite mid-level trafficking suspects, reserving the measure for top cartel figures.

Extradition touches a sensitive nationalistic nerve in Colombia, where any perceived involvement by the United States in internal matters brings instant outcries of protest.

One of Gaviria's top priorities will be to rebuild the nation's justice system. The court system is virtually paralyzed and judges are routinely assassinated if they make decisions against cocaine traffickers.

Hundreds of people have been killed since the Medellin Cartel declared war on the nation in August 1989. The war came after Barco instituted a state of siege following a string of assassinations and launched an all-out offensive against the cocaine traffickers.

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#90218u2074 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 6) UPI - The Soviet government has adopted denationalization guidelines that would encourage the sale of small businesses to private owners but keep large companies and utilities under state control, the Interfax news service said Monday.

Moscow created the recommendations to help Soviet republic and city

governments sell off some state-owned enterprises, the independent news agency said.

The guidelines urge local governments to set up ''special denationalization commissions'' of officials, economists, sociologists and attorneys to smooth the way for economic diversification.

In the Marxist terms that have governed the Soviet Union for seven decades the regulations envision the emergence of a ''petit bourgeoisie'' of small shopkeepers - but not a nation of big-time capitalists.

As the Kremlin took another faltering step toward a market economy, Russian Federation President Boris Yeltsin met with a group of advisers drafting a radical reform package.

The radical Yeltsin, offering his latest innovative initiative, also announced an official contest with the equivalent of $8,500 in prize money for the person who writes the best new treaty to govern ties between the Russian government and smaller jurisdictions within the huge territory.

Vladimir Shcherbakov, chairman of the State Committee for Labor and Social Issues, told reporters that the central government is gearing up for the possibility of ''mass unemployment and high rates of inflation'' during a turbulent transition to free enterprise.

''Denationalization - that is, the leasing or selling of property to individuals or cooperatives - will concern shops, restaurants, canteens, cafes, hair-styling salons, bathhouses, repair shops, trucking companies and small-industry operations,'' Interfax said of the new government standards.

''As far as larger public amenities equipped with expensive, sophisticated machines, such as hotels, are concerned, they should remain under state control,'' it said.

The Soviet Parliament earlier this year adopted a law permitting a limited range of commercial holdings to be sold or leased, but the legislature put off until its fall session action on a more sweeping measure.

Under the guidelines adopted by Moscow, power plants, water pipes, natural gas mains and other utility facilities ''meeting basic social needs'' are to remain in the public domain.

Small businesses that are not sold or leased ''may be reformed into shareholding companies,'' with capital stock divided through open subscription or distribution via charter funds, the recommendations say.

Yeltsin led a session of the working group he and Soviet President Mikhail

Gorbachev agreed to form last week to develop a comprehensive economic program for the country.

Gorbachev invited Yeltsin, his one-time protege and emerging rival for power, to join forces after Yeltsin unveiled a radical 500-day plan to privatize property and free prices in the Russian republic that makes up three-quarters of the Soviet Union.

The joint working group of the Soviet and Russian governments is using Yeltsin's plan as a blueprint for a program to present to Soviet Parliament early next month when it opens its fall session.

Shcherbakov, head of the state labor committee, said the Soviet government is divided bewteen supporters of Yeltsin's strategy and a less radical plan of Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov, which calls for a slower transition to a market economy.

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#90218u2083 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Deep fears of a long-lasting impasse or a full-scale war in the Middle East are propelling petroleum prices to new heights, with a barrel of oil likely to trade in the $30 range this week, analysts said.

That would be nearly 50 percent above the price levels that existed before last week's Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Experts unanimously agreed that substantially higher oil prices would have a serious to devastating effect on the economy of industrialized countries expecially the United States, whose growth rate is already so sluggish as to indicate a possible recession.

''Every time the barrel of crude oil goes up by $1, the gallon of gasoline in the United States goes up by 2 cents,'' said Joseph Tovey, who heads Tovey & Co. Investment Bankers. ''Each time the barrel goes up by $2.50, the U.S. inflation rate goes up by 1 to 1.5 percent.''

''The whole market is still driven by the Middle East situation,'' said oil industry analyst James Fiedler, with E.D.&F. Man International Futures Inc. ''A price of $30 a barrel this week certainly is a possibility. The only people who are selling today are profit takers selling against a cash position, because everyone feels the market will keep moving up and prices will keep going up.''

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, crude oil futures for September delivery soared throughout the day and were quoted at mid-afternnon at $27.67 a barrel, up $3.16. The September contracts, which gained $4.45

last week, now are approaching $8 above their level at the opening Monday last week - a 40 percent gain in six sessions.

Oil and Middle East experts agreed that oil markets around the world will not regain any composure until the potentially explosive situation created by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait is resolved, one way or the other.

''Since there is no sign that the Iraqis are pulling out of Kuwait, the whole issue hinges on Saudi Arabia and the United States,'' said David Mizrahi, editor of the authoritative Mideast Report.

''Saudi Arabia would be willing to open its bases to the United States provided that the United States really means business,'' Mizrahi added. ''Otherwise, you can imagine what Saudi Arabia would look like in the Arab world. You can imagine what would happen to (Saudi) King Fahd.''

Mizrahi said that either a U.S. military intervention in the Middle East or a lack of intervention could result in higher oil prices.

''If the United States does not intervene, (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein can feel he has a free hand and move to seize the oil facilities in the neutral zone jointly operated by Saudi Arabia and Kuwait,'' he said.

The 'neutral' zone produces about 350,000 barrels a day, which would add to the estimated 4.5 million barrels already under Iraqi control and further shrink oil supplies for the Western countries which declared an embargo on Iraqi and Kuwait oil imports.

''If the United States intervenes, Hussein would find another good reason to move into Saudi Arabia,'' Mizrahi said. ''One scenario or the other spells out higher oil prices.''

Philip Verlerger, president of the Institute for International Economics in Washington, also agreed that prices will go up - possibly into the $40 range, their highest level ever on U.S. markets.

''The world is confronted with an oil shortage representing roughly 8 percent of the free world oil consumption, and with an embargo which is going to work,'' Verleger said. ''In the absence of sales of strategic oil stocks or increased production from Venezuela or other countries, prices will head up to $40 a barrel.''

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#90218u2087 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - President Bush, moving more U.S. warships and top officials into play, called Monday for the ''full and total implementation'' of sweeping United Nations sanctions against Iraq for its

invasion of Kuwait.

Ending a meeting with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, one of several in a day of stepped-up diplomatic manuevering, Bush declared, ''We need to discuss full and total implementation of these sanctions, ruling out nothing at all. These sanctions must be enforced.''

Although Bush refused to offer specifics, the Pentagon said five more amphibious ships began making their way toward the Middle East, with plans to link up with an aircraft carrier and battleship before reaching the Mediterranean.

With the Persian Gulf crisis in its fifth day, Bush, Thatcher and NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner praised the unanimous decision by the U.N. Security Council to order a total economic and military embargo against President Suddam Hussein's Iraq.

As Iraqi forces in Kuwait seized 28 Americans and a number of other Westerners, Bush also discounted assurances from Saddam that he would not extend his invasion into neighboring Saudi Arabia.

''I have had no such assurances, directly, to me,'' he told reporters at a rainy Rose Garden ceremony with Thatcher.

At the State Department, spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler would not call the Americans ''hostages,'' but she called the situation ''a very serious matter.''

The developments came as tensions continued to mount over the stand-off that began with the massive Iraqi invasion of its tiny, oil-rich neighbor last Thursday.

The five warships that left Norfolk, Va., Monday, will join U.S. forces in the region, currently a total of 34 warships and expected to hit 49 ships in about 10 days. The ships, in both the Mediterranean and the northern Indian Ocean near the gulf, will include the battleship Wisconsin and three aircraft carriers.

The buildup of U.S. military might coincided with intensified diplomatic efforts in the region. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney arrived in Saudi Arabia for talks Monday and and Bush ordered Secretary of State James Baker to fly to Turkey late Wednesday.

Much of Iraq's oil production flows to European markets through pipelines that cross Turkey, a NATO member that is home to several U.S. Air Force bases.

Pentagon and administration officials reported that Iraqi troops remained

massed dangerously near the Saudi border, despite earlier assurances from Saddam that the 100,000-strong invasion force would be withdrawn.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater described the situation as ''extremely serious'' because of the ''large and threatening'' force along the border and noted with concern the hike in gasolines costs and threat to U.S. strategic interests in gulf-state oil reserves.

As for what the United States is doing, Fitzwater said, ''Our response is real and moving on all fronts: diplomatic, economic, political and military.''

Working to coordinate the massive international retaliation against Saddam. Bush also met with Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, and kept up a flurry of telephone calls to world leaders.

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And while applauding the U.N. Security Council vote, 13-0, to impose a worldwide economic and military embargo on Iraq, he waited on word from Cheney, who was in the Saudi capital of Riyadh to confer with Saudi officials, who, like many others in the area, have appeared reluctant to anger Saddam.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - Representatives from Vietnam and the United States held their first meeting Monday on ways to settle the conflict in Cambodia and both sides described their discussions as ''useful.''

Trinh Xuan Lang, Vietnam's ambassador to the United Nations, met with U.S. Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Kenneth Quinn for 3 1/2 hours at the Vietnamese U.N. mission.

''Our meeting was useful,'' Lang told reporters.

Lang said discussions centered on the Cambodian issue, but the question of U.S.-Vietnamese relations did came up briefly in his talks with Quinn.

Lang said the meeting was a ''modest step ... but a good beginning'' for the United States and Vietnam to try to put an end to the 11-year conflict in Cambodia. Vietnamese troops invaded Cambodia in December, 1978, and set up the pro-Hanoi government of Prime Minister Hun Sen.

Hun Sen is opposed on the battlefield as well as in diplomatic arena by a three-party coalition movement headed by exiled Cambodian Prince Norodom Sihanouk, which is mainly armed by China. Sihanouk and the other

non-communist faction headed by Son Sann also received non-military help from the United States.

The third party, the Khmer Rouge, the strongest armed faction, was held responsible for the deaths of more than 1 million Cambodians during its three-year reign beginning in 1975.

A spokeswoman for the State Department's East Asia Bureau in Washington, Mary Carlin Yates, said in a statement that the meeting was to initiate a ''formal dialogue'' that would lead toward a comprehensive settlement in Cambodia.

Yates denied the meeting was an attempt to normalize relations with Vietnam, ''except we reiterated our policy on this issue.''

''The United States considers this first meeting useful,'' she said.

The two countries have agreed to meet again at a date and location to be agreed on, Yates said.

The Vietnamese ambassador said Vietnam wanted to immediately establish a Supreme National Council which - under a U.N. plan to bring peace to Cambodia through internationally supervised elections - will rule Cambodia during the transition period.

''We believe that it is the desire of the other side, too,'' Lang said.

Besides the Cambodia issue, the two officials discussed the question of American prisoners-of-war and missing-in-action during the war in Vietnam, Lang said.

American and Vietnamese diplomatic sources said they did not expect the first meeting to make progress in the complex Cambodian situation.

Other Cambodian issues confronting Vietnam and the United States were a moratorium on foreign arms supplies to the warring Cambodian factions, a cease-fire, the establishment of a U.N. interim administration and U.N.-supervised elections.

The talks were held following a change in policy by the United States to withdraw diplomatic support for Sihanouk's resistance movement in the United Nations.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, in announcing the change in Paris in July, said the United States wanted Vietnam to help convince the Phnom Penh regime to accept the U.N. plan for free and fair elections in Cambodia.

Diplomats said the New York talks would lead to the first diplomatic contacts between Washington and Phnom Penh. An American delegation visited Phnom Penh last month to inspect and repatriate remains of some of the 83 American MIAs.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 6) UPI - American Bar Association members narrowly approved a resolution Monday to rescind the ABA's abortion rights policy and instead adopt a neutral stance on the politically explosive issue.

The 885-837 non-binding vote came at an ABA Business Assembly hours after Attorney General Richard Thornburgh suggested that the Bush administration might pay less heed to ABA ratings of judicial nominees if the abortion rights policy was maintained.

The ABA Board of Governors previously recommended scrapping the pro-choice position adopted last February by the association's House of Delegates and adopting a neutral position.

The ABA House of Delegates will act on the proposal Wednesday. If it is approved, neutrality on abortion will become ABA policy. If the House of Delegates rejects the proposal, the Business Assembly could reconvene and, with a two-thirds majority vote, could force a referendum by the group's 360,000 members.

Abortion rights advocates pledged Monday to lobby to defeat the neutrality proposal before the House of Delegates.

''We're going to go to the American Bar Association and speak to the delegates and try to convince them to take a pro-choice stand,'' said Norma McCorvey - the Jane Roe of the landmark Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision on abortion rights.

McCorvey's lawyer, Gloria Allred, said the neutrality proposal is a ploy by anti-abortion groups to ''neutralize the power and the influence of the ABA.''

''I don't think the ABA should be neutral on an issue of such import, such significance,'' Allred said. ''And, really, to be neutral, I think, is to buy into the anti-choice position, and that's why we're opposed to this so-called position of neutrality.''

Thornburgh said the present pro-abortion rights policy ''creates, in my view, a perception problem for the American Bar Association and I believe they are wisely undertaking reconsideration of that position.''

''I think it would be appropriate for this association to be neutral on every issue that does not fall within the ambit of its area of expertise '' Thornburgh told reporters after addressing the opening assembly of the annual meeting.

''When the ABA, as in my view, extends its inquiry beyond judicial and into political and philosophical issues, its reach exceeds its grasp and its credibility on these issues is not entitled to the same respect that we have given it when it comes to assessing judicial temperament and qualifications of intellectual ability and character and integrity that would recommend someone for the bench,'' he said.

Thornburgh said he has noted growing concern the ABA ''may be moving toward litmus tests for judicial nominees.''

He emphasized, however, that he has seen no evidence of any such tests in his dealings with the ABA Standing Committee on the Judiciary, which provides the administration with ratings of potential nominees for the federal bench.

''Nonetheless,'' he said, ''the credibility of that (committee) work will suffer, in my view, if the American Bar Association chooses to take positions on every hot-button emotional political issue of the day because it will create - in the public's view - the notion that if someone, as a prospective judicial nominee, does not sign on to those views, they may be viewed with disfavor.''

Addressing an ABA awards luncheon later Monday, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., accused Thornburgh and the administration of ''unseemly attempts ... to muzzle the Senate confirmation process'' for Judge David Souter, President Bush's nominee to replace William Brennan on the Supreme Court.

''It is true that Judge Souter has said and written little about the significant legal issues of our time, but that means the Senate must ask more, not less, about his views,'' Kennedy said.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 6) UPI - Senators assailed a savings and loan owner Monday for not telling federal regulators about a fraud charge brought against a company he controlled before he bought 15 failed Texas thrifts in 1988.

"I'm troubled by what seems to be your less-than-forthcoming responses to federal regulators," Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, told Arizona businessman James Fail during a Senate Judiciary subcommittee hearing into Fail's acquistion of the Texas thrifts, which he consolidated under the name

Bluebonnet Savings Bank.

"You never, ever provided a copy of the Alabama indictment" to the government, Hatch said, referring to a 1976 fraud indictment and conviction against an insurance firm Fail controlled. The firm was barred from writing any more insurance in Alabama and fined $5,000. Fail was also indicted individually for securities fraud in Alabama in 1976,but the charge was dropped in a plea bargain.

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., told Fail that "based on the record ... there was inadequate disclosure" of his background to the government. "You really wonder ... whether the taxpayers are going to come in and bail out this thing (the thifts Fail bought) all over again," he said.

Under tough questioning from Hatch, Specter, and Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, the panel's chairman, Fail acknowledged that forms he submitted to thrift regulators about his background mentioned only his personal indictment but omitted mention of his company's fraud conviction. But he insisted that he never intended to mislead federal authorities.

He said that while the forms he signed and submitted "might be construed as being incomplete," he provided additional documents to the government that detailed both indictments and his business's conviction - a contention senators disputed.

"We made an extraordinary effort to disclose this (to federal regulators) " said Fail, who testified voluntarily. "If I was preparing that document today, I would have included" the omitted facts.

Asked if he had read the completed forms prepared by assistants before he signed them, Fail said "probably not." "I have had a very bad habit in the past that I assure you I won't have in the future of signing a great many things that are put in front of me for signature" without reading them first, such as the documents in question.

A federal regulator testified July 31, at the panel's second hearing into the Fail purchase, that had the government known about Fail's 1976 indictment and his company's fraud conviction, his application to buy the Texas thrifts would have been rejected.

Fail said his purchase and successful management of Bluebonnet were "part of the solution to the savings and loan crisis, not a part of the problem." Metzenbaum said Bluebonnet is profitable only because Fail will receive more than $3 billion in federal subsidies for rescuing the failed thrifts. Fail credited prudent business management.

Fail also defended a complex web of business loans that allowed him to purchase the thrifts, but he repeatedly pleaded ignorance when asked about

specific dollar amounts, dates and details of those transactions.

Metzenbaum, who has criticized the deal, told Fail that "it would just appear that somehow this deal was greased to go" despite Fail's indictment and his lack of adequate funds at the time of purchase.

"Mr. Fail, you're an amazing man," Metzenbaum said. "You're able to get money that other people don't seem to be able to get. ... You read documents the way that you want to and forget that you signed them."

Also Monday, Thomas Pennington, former president of several insurance companies owned by Fail who was fired after he became suspicious of Fail's financial dealings, testified that Fail felt his purchase of the failed thrifts was "a no-brainer" that would make a lot of money. "He thought it was a very good deal," Pennington said of Fail. "He thought you'd have to be awfully stupid not to make money" on the purchase.

Washington lobbyist Robert Thompson, hired to Fail to help him acquire the Texas thrifts, was supposed to testify under subpoena Monday, but his appearance was postponed until September.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock				
Amserv Inc	..	5PC	8-31	8-17
Increased				
Banks of Iowa	Q	.89	9-14	8-31
Protective Life	Q	.19	9-1	8-17
Usual				
Blue Ridge Real Est	..	.05	8-20	8-3
British-American Ins	..	.12	8-20	8-17
Cabot Oil & Gas Corp	..	.04	8-30	8-15
General Motors Corp	Q	.75	9-10	8-16
General Motors cl-E	Q	.14	9-10	8-16
General Motors cl-H	Q	.18	9-10	8-16
Jefferson-Pilot Corp	Q	.38	9-7	8-17
Logicon Inc	Q	.09	10-9	9-20
Morrison Knudsen Corp	Q	.37	9-17	8-15
Oriole Homes Corp A	S	.20	9-4	8-22
Oriole Homes Corp B	S	.22 1/2	9-4	8-22
Ply-Gem Industries	Q	.03	9-6	8-17

Total System Svcs	Q	.07	10-1	9-24

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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Waste Management was also active, plunging 3 1/8 to 36 3/8. The company said a story which appeared in Barron's over the weekend calling into question some of its accounting principles was irresponsible.

Among the other active blue chips, AT&T sank 1 5/8 to 34 3/8, IBM tumbled three to 103 7/8, General Electric plummeted 3 3/4 to 66, and Boeing slid 3 1/2 to 50 1/2.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 273,264,110 shares, compared with 345,201,990 shares traded in the previous session.

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The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 17.42 to 400.04, topping its 14.90-point loss of Oct. 13.

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(AUG. 6) UPI - The United States has won its battle for a world-wide economic and military embargo of Iraq by U-N countries. The U-N Security Council today imposed the embargo on Iraq as punishment for invading Kuwait and setting up a proxy government in the tiny emirate. 13 of the 15 council members voted for the embargo... with Cuba and Yemen abstaining.

Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas wants the Justice Department to look into allegations of gasoline ''price-gouging'' by U-S oil companies as a result of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Dole asked the department to launch an anti-trust probe to determine if oil refiners, wholesalers and retailers are illegally colluding to boost prices. One lawmaker says the hikes cost Americans as mucha s 42-Million dollars extra a day.

The U-S State Department says an American is among the foreigners taken hostage today by rebels in Liberia. Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler says rebels led by Prince Johnson took 14 to 15 people from the Africa Hotel in downtown Monrovia. A Johnson threat to take hostages prompted the United States to evacuate most Americans from the capital of the west African nation yesterday.

Pakistan's Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was removed from office today by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, who accused her goverment of nepotism and corruption. The president called new elections for October and swore in the leader of the opposition to head a caretaker government. Bhutto says she it's unfortunate the country is now under the rule of a NON-elected government.

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There's fresh hope for the release of hundreds of political prisoners in South Africa. Leaders of the African National Congress and the minority white government today held crucial talks aimed at securing the freedom of some 15-hundred detainees. Delegates led by black nationalist Nelson Mandela and President Frederick DeKlerk also are working toward a suspension of the 30-year A-N-C guerrilla war against apartheid.

State health officials say they're concerned that an outbreak of salmonella poisoning in four Midwestern states may be linked to the consumption of raw tomatoes. There have been 38 confirmed salmonella cases in Minnesota, 51 in Illinois, 10 in Michigan and three in Wisconsin. Health officials are advising restaurant owners and consumers to wash their tomatoes thoroughly in cold water before serving or eating them.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 6) UPI - The U.S. Treasury bond market took a major hit Monday as oil inflation fears and misgivings about the week's exceptionally heavy quarterly refunding operation drove long bond prices down as yields shot up.

''The bond market has just absolutely been crushed,'' said F. Ward McCarthy, a managing director of Stone & McCarthy Research Associates Inc. a financial consulting firm based in Princeton, N.J.

''I haven't seen anything this dramatic in quite some time,'' said Continental Bank bond trader Steve Bracken, in Chicago. ''There's a lot of nervousness and tension'' in the market over current events.

Bids for the benchmark 30-year bond, the 8 3/4 of 2020, declined to 99 13/32, a 2 20/32 drop from Friday's closing price of 102 03/32. The long bond's yield soared nearly 1/4 point, to 8.76 percent from 8.55 percent last week.

The decline of the long bond price corresponded to a loss of $26.25 for every $1,000 bond face value. A $10 loss is considered heavy.

McCarthy said investors were responding to inflationary implications of large increases in oil prices seen since Iraqi forces seized neighboring Kuwait last week, and on possible further hikes if the crisis deepens.

There were concerns about a bond glut given the Treasury's schedule this week to auction $32.25 billion in multi-year bonds and notes. The eleventh-hour passage by Congress of legislation raising the U.S. debt ceiling also cut into the time dealers had for pre-auction order-taking.

The sell-off also reflected market disappointment that the Federal Reserve did not lower short-term rates as the week opened. Players had hoped the Fed would ease credit to offset the impact of higher oil prices.

McCarthy said the ''absolutely dramatic sell-off in bonds'' reversed the market gains of recent weeks. ''As recently as Friday, July 13, the yield was an 8.45 (percent),'' he said. It now may be headed for 9 percent.

The analyst noted that rising yields on the 30-year bond can translate into higher home mortgage rates, with negative effects on the

rate-sensitive real estate and conststruction sectors, already hurting.

''We all should be a little bit concerned now,'' he said, referring not only to shaky financial markets but to the wider impact of oil prices which Monday had risen to $28 from around $20 before Iraq invaded Kuwait.

McCarthy pointed to the dilemma of the Fed, which must attempt to maintain a modicum of economic growth without freeing the inflation genie. The unexpected surge in oil prices has dealt policymakers a tough hand.

If Fed officials were to raise short-term interest rates to counter inflation stemming from higher oil prices, he said ''there's no question they'd drive the country into a recession that could be long and deep.''

But if they ease to counter pricy oil's economic damping effect, ''They'll be criticized for throwing in the towel'' on inflation.

''The Fed doesn't have many options, and the few options it has, none of them are very appealing,'' said McCarthy, who predicted that the Fed will pursue its easing path very cautiously.

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PRETORIA, South Africa (AUG. 6) UPI - The African National Congress announced Tuesday the immediate suspension of its nearly 30-year guerrilla war against minority white rule, after striking a deal with the government on the release of political prisoners.

The announcement was made in a joint communique issued after nearly 15 hours of talks Monday between an ANC delegation led by Nelson Mandela and a government team headed by reformist President Frederik de Klerk.

The two men appeared at a news conference shortly before 1 a.m. Tuesday to announce the historic agreements.

''There will be no infiltration of men and arms into South Africa and any related activity to military action will be suspended,'' the 72-year-old Mandela said. ''Of course we hope we will be able to communicate with our people and inform them of what we have decided.''

The announcements broke a deadlock in the negotiations, lay the groundwork for the repatriation of an estimated 20,000 political exiles and opened a new phase for talks on how to conduct full-blown power-sharing negotiations.

''We think what has happened today forms an important turning point which in all probability will result in a much more peaceful situation in South

Africa,'' de Klerk said. ''We're not dealing with fixing the price of a house. We're dealing with the future of the country.''

The nation's two most powerful men appeared tired when they addressed the televised news conference but both had entered the conference room smiling broadly.

Mandela described the suspension of the ANC's armed struggle, formally waged since December 1961, as a ''significant concession'' in the negotiations to end South Africa's protracted racial conflict.

The limited guerrilla war was launched after the government in 1960 outlawed the ANC and forced it into exile.

As the talks opened Monday, violence flared in a black township west of Johannesburg to underscore the complexities of the country's racial conflict.

Police said at least six people were killed in the township of Kagiso Monday, pushing the death toll to at least 10 since Sunday in fighting at a township hostel between supporters of the ANC and the rival Zulu movement Inkatha.

The clashes were the worst between the warring factions - the battles ostensibly have been waged in the Indian Ocean province of Natal - since 22 died last month in fighting in the township of Sebokeng south of Johannesburg.

The talks began at 9:20 a.m., some 20 minutes behind schedule, at the Presidency, the 85-year-old mansion that once served as the official residence of various governors general under British rule and later of South African presidents. They did not formally adjourn until 12:12 a.m. Tuesday.

It was the second formal session between the government and the ANC since de Klerk lifted a 30-year ban on the anti-apartheid alliance in February. The two sides first met May 2-4 in Cape Town in a ground-breaking session to establish a climate of trust and set an agenda of specific issues for working groups to tackle.

The talks followed several weeks of public exchanges between the two sides over an alleged plot by the ANC's ally, the South African Communist Party, to stage an insurrection if the power-sharing talks fail. Using its sweeping powers under the Internal Security Act, the government detained without charge several senior ANC and SACP leaders, prompting two unscheduled meetings between de Klerk and Mandela.

This issue too was expected to be raised Monday, but both parties appeared

to have brushed it aside. De Klerk said, however, that his government remained ''as firmly opposed to communism as ever.'' The latest agreement was ''no declaration to the effect that we've gone soft on communism.''

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(AUG. 6) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says he wants ''normal relations'' with the United States. Despite his comment, Iraqi forces in Kuwait today rounded up 28 Americans and hundreds of other foreigners in the occupied emirate. Iraqi radio also issued a veiled threat directed at U-S envoys in Baghdad. The report said Iraq is capable of protecting its rights whatever the pressures.

A senior U-S defense official says the United States could respond to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait with an air attack on Baghdad or Iraqi oil fields. He says U-S bombers could perhaps be launched from Turkey. However the Pentagon declined to comment on news reports that U-S warplanes were transferred today from bases in Britain to one in Turkey. But the United States did send 21-hundred Marines from their home port of Norfolk, Virginia today to the Middle East.

A new study by the National Conference of State Legislatures says 23 states can expect huge tax increases during the next fiscal year. The study found that taxes in those states will jump seven-point-six-BILLION dollars as elected officials deal with education reform, increasing crime and higher health care costs. The report says 85 percent of the tax hikes will occur in six states.

Officials in San Antonio, Texas, say a military trainer jet collided with a civilian small plane this afternoon... but NONE of the four fliers aboard the craft suffered serious injuries. The mishap occurred after the Air Force TK to descend to make a practice instrument approach. The Air Force pilots parachuted to safety while the pilots aboard the small Cessna made a forced landing.

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BEND, Ore. (AUG. 6) UPI - Weary, heat-baked firefighters struggled Monday to finish lines around a 3,300-acre wildfire that raged through a central Oregon resort area and destroyed 20 homes.

Thousands of residents were allowed to return home as temperatures climbed toward 100 degrees, hampering efforts to combat the fire, which was about half-contained. Authorities did not expect to contain the whole Awbrey Hall fire until Tuesday and hoped to have it under control by late Thursday.

More than 2,000 homes and an estimated 5,000 residents and visitors were forced to flee during the weekend as the fire raced over 6 square miles in a residential and resort area southwest of Bend, state Department of Forestry spokesman Doug Decker said.

Twenty homes, some worth up to $300,000, burned down in three subdivisions nestled among scenic lodgepole pines in central Oregon's high desert country, about 120 miles southeast of Portland. Authorities had believed 28 homes were lost but determined the other eight were structures such as sheds or barns.

''The folks that owned the destroyed homes were allowed back in with some professional escorts, such as the Red Cross, so they can deal with their loss,'' said Don Ferguson, another state forestry spokesman.

A couple of hours later, other residents were allowed to return home, although roadblocks were posted to keep out sightseers and the general public, Ferguson said.

Capt. Dan Brosnan of the Oregon State Police said many sightseers trying to reach the area resulted in two-mile-long traffic jams on Highway 97.

Oregon officials said the blaze caused at least $5 million in damage. In terms of residential losses, it was the state's most destructive wildfire since 1936, when a blaze roared through Bandon on the southern Oregon coast, killing 11 people and destroying 750 homes and businesses.

Myra Lee, administrator of the state Emergency Management Division, said the fire could be ''sort of a forerunner of problems to come'' in Oregon, as housing subdivisions push farther and farther into forested areas.

''As people continue to build in those areas, these problems are going to increase,'' Lee said. ''I hope we don't get into the kind of thing California has experienced.'' Hundreds of homes in Santa Barbara, Calif., were destroyed by fire earlier this year.

Meanwhile Terry Marsha of the National Weather Service in Salem predicted more lightning strikes - a common cause of forest fires - in much of central Oregon late in the week.

''It's going to be a pretty hairy week,'' he said. ''I'd be awfully surprised if we get out of this week without a major lightning outbreak.''

The number of people evacuated was uncertain because many people stayed with friends or relatives instead of at Red Cross shelters set up at two high schools. Estimates ranged from 3,000 to 5,000.

The cause of the fire was under investigation, but Decker said there was no lightning in the area when the blaze broke Saturday afternoon on a ridge in Shevlin Park, 6 miles southwest of Bend.

The federal government approved Gov. Neil Goldschmidt's request for aid and will cover about 40 percent of the firefighting costs. Phil Cogan, Northwest manager of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, said the fire had cost $646,000 to fight by Sunday.

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(AUG. 6) UPI - Indian Foreign Minister I-K Gujral told the Nepal Council for World Affairs in Katmandu today that the seven nations of the South Asian Association for Regional Co-operation should establish a common market. He added that his country will pursue such a route and release a proposal for a South Asian free market in November.

The sequestered jurors in the cocaine and perjury trial of Washington, D-C Mayor Marion Barry spent their fourth day in deliberations today... and there's NO sign they are any closer to a verdict. For nearly eight hours, the jury sorted through more than 100 trial documents it requested during a rare weekend session Saturday. The defense attorney says he doesN'T expect a decision until Wednesday.

The Chicago area was racked by more power outages today, after a pair of major power failures in eight days. Commonwealth Edison officials blamed today's minor blackouts on power lines damaged by wildlife. Officials also said that yesterday's day-long black-out on the West Side was caused in part by damage from last week's black-out.

A steady rain soaked much of the nation today. The National Weather Service issued a flash flood warning until tomorrow in portions of Texas, especially around the Trinity River in the northern part of the state. And some residents in Central part of the nation awoke to record-low morning temperatures as the mercury dipped in some places to a chilly 37 degrees.

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(AUG. 6) UPI - Talks between the South African government and the African National Congress have produced a major breakthrough. After 15 hours of meetings, A-N-C leader Nelson Mandela and President F-W de Klerk announced that the A-N-C has renounced the use of violence in its bid to end white minority rule.

Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein repeated his promise today that he will NOT sent his forces into Saudi Arabia. But Iraqi radio reported that he told a

U-S official Baghdad that Iraq is ''capable of protecting its rights and interests.''

President Bush predicted this evening that the international community will rally against Hussein for his invasion of Kuwait. The comments from Bush came after the U-N Security Council approved sweeping sanctions against Iraq, and following the deployment of additional U-S military forces to the Middle East.

America's largest consumer advocacy group today criticized the U-S oil industry for the steep hike in gas prices since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Citizen Action says the quickness with which the increases were adopted shows they are a matter of industry greed and NOT market-based factors.

The American Bar Association today narrowly approved a resolution that calls for the legal group to back off its abortion rights policy. The A-B-A's House of Delegates will consider the endorsement and vote on the issue Wednesday in Chicago.

Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto appeared confident and composed today after she was dismissed from office by the Pakistani president. Bhutto criticized the move as UNconstitutional.

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(AUG. 6) UPI - The State Department reported today that one of Liberia's two rebel factions began taking foreigners hostage today. Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler says Prince Johnson's forces took more than one dozen foreigners from the Africa Hotel in the capital.

The National Transportation Safety Board and the Air Force are looking into the cause of today's collision of a military jet and a small civilian plane. NONE of the four people aboard the two planes suffered serious injury.

Forecasters at the National Hurrican Center in Miami predict that Tropical Storm Diana will likely evolve into a hurricane by tomorrow evening. Meteorologist Jerry Jarrell says Diana will gain strength as it heads over the warm waters of the Gulf of Mexico. Diana was located some 330 miles southeast of Tampico, Mexico.

The Food and Drug Administration today O-K'd the use of a synthetic drug to treat a breathing disorder that affects some 50-thousand prematurely born babies each year in the United States. Researchers say the drug cuts in half the death rate of very prematurely born infants.

Television actor Kelsey Graamer was sentenced to 90 days of house arrest after he pleaded NO contest to a charge of cocaine possession. The regular on the T-V show ''Cheers'' also received three years probation and was ordered to complete a drug treatment program.

Officials for the Miss America Pageant say they are trying to lure former contest emcee Bert Parks back to the pageant. The executive director of the 69-year-old contest said talks are proceeding with Parks' agent, but said NO deal has been signed.

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#90218u2697 08/06/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 6) UPI - The Soviet government today took another tentative step toward a market economy. The semi-independent Interfax news service reports that Moscow is adopting a de-nationalization program to urge local governments to encourage private ownership of small businesses. However, the measure does NOT aim to privatize large companies and utilities, which Kremlin guidelines say should remain within the fold of state control.

The Cold War's end is beginning to take a toll on the defense industry. St. Louis-based General Dynamics announced today that in the face of a new internal merger, it will have to lay off as many as two-thousand employees. The missile and electronics giant says the plan to merge departments into a single Air Defense Systems Division is the result of declining prospects in the defense industry.

Thousands of residents in a central Oregon resort area were allowed to return to their homes today as fire-fighters continued to work at containing a 33-hundred-acre wildfire in the area. A heat wave that sent temperatures soaring toward 100 degrees delayed firefighting efforts. But officials hope to have the flames under control by Thursday.

Progress was reported as slow, but steady during a day-long meeting today between U-S and Vietnamese officials trying to settle key differences on Cambodia. They were the first round of talks since Washington recently announced it was withdrawing support from the three-party rebel coalition fighting the Vietnamese-backed Cambodian government.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Technology has made the founding investment in ARTIS Ltd., Lexington, Mass.

ARTIS is establishing an electronic information network to deliver time-vital information to dealers of art, antiques, collectibles, and other hard to find commodities. This network will provide a reliable low

cost, high speed method of exchanging information among geographically dispersed sites.

It greatly improves the timeliness of the information, expands the coverage of the markets to be served and reduces the dealer's cost of doing business. ARTIS combines addessable data broadcasting technology with existing high performance software in order to support the unique and varied needs of market segments. ARTIS' objective is to be the authoritative source of information about art, antiques and collectibles in the world.

Richard Goldberg and Christopher Burns are co-founders of ARTIS. Goldberg, president of ARTIS, has been a senior manager in the electronic automation business for 27 years. He was the president and chairman of Computerized Library Systems Inc., the world's largest supplier of library automation systems, which he managed as a profitable $35 million/year company.

Applied Technology invested in ARTIS with its newest fund, Technologies for Information & Publishing L.P. The Highgate Venture Capital Fund, Toronto, was the co-founding investor.

Applied Technology is an early stage venture capital firm which supports significant enabling technologies in information industries including: information management, access, and distribution; multi-media; telecommunications; electronic imaging; electronic printing; electronic data interchange; and executive information systems. Applied Technology employs a unique strategy of focused industry teamwork, combining proven venture management with industry-based management consultants, academic researchers and major industry corporations.

Applied Technology is managed by Frederick Bamber and Thomas Grant, seasoned venture capitalists, Woodrow Vandever, General Partner, has 25 years of experience in software engineering, management, and market research. Nicholas Negroponte, special general partner, founded and directs MIT's Media Laboratory, a world class research facility on future computer, communications and media technologies.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Tejas Gas Corp. Tuesday announced financial results for the six months and three months ended June 30, 1990.

Net earnings for the six months ended June 30, 1990 increased 9 percent to $4,865,000, or 70 cents per share, on revenues of $130,788,000 compared

with net earnings of $4,455,000, or 65 cents per share, on revenues of $133,638,000 for the first half of 1989.

Net earnings for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $1,236,000, or 18 cents per share, on revenues of $57,496,000. Net earnings for the same quarter in 1989 were $1,117,000, or 16 cents per share, on revenues of $61,670,000.

Net earnings for the 1990 periods increased primarily because of decreases in interest expense attributable to substantial reductions in long-term debt during the last twelve months.

Revenue declines were primarily attributable to reduced natural gas processing plant revenues resulting from certain plant dispositions and to reduced off-system natural gas sales, partially offset by increases in natural gas systems sales.

Natural gas systems sales and transportation volumes for the first half of 1990 increased to 556 million cubic feet per day (MMCF/D) from 529 MMCF/D in the first half of the prior year.

Emphasis on lower profit off-system sales was reduced becasue of currently depressed margins resulting from record mild weather and alternate fuel competition; these volumes declined to 83 MMCF/D from 112 MMCF/D. Natural gas processing volumes declined to 67 MMCF/D from 101 MMCF/D as a result of the plant dispositions.

Tejas Gas Corp. is engaged in intrastate natural gas pipeline operations in Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and West Virginia. Tejas owns approximately 2,000 miles of pipelines and nine natural gas processing and treating plants. The company's common stock trades in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol TEJS.

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#90219b0019 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

LOUISVILLE, CO (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Storage Technology Corp. (NYSE: STK) Tuesday announced an agreement with the Clemson University Research Foundation to produce software providing contents management services for the StorageTek 4400 Automated Cartridge System (ACS). The first product produced under the agreement, Expert Library Manager (ExLM), was shipped June 30.

"As StorageTek broadens its focus toward becoming a provider of storage solutions for high performance and networked computing, software products

become more critical," said Don Patterson, StorageTek vice president and program manager for software solutions.

"A venture with a major university such as Clemson brings considerable software expertise to StorageTek. This strategic alliance is very helpful to our solutions-oriented strategy because it leverages and complements our existing programming expertise.

"Continuously introducing new software products and enhancements for our storage products is one of StorageTek's top priorities," Patterson added. "We foresee a continued relationship with Clemson and plan to develop alliances with other organizations, thereby expanding our support for StorageTek's current and future products."

"This relationship allows us to bring our information systems and programming expertise to the commercial marketplace," said Dr. Chris Duckenfield, Clemson University vice provost. "We are looking forward to continuing this relationship with StorageTek and to developing additional software for their ACS and future products."

The 4400 ACS is a fully automated 18-track cartridge NearlineR_ storage system integrating robotics, software, hardware and microcode into a system that stores and retrieves data cost effectively.

Support for the 4400 ACS has been announced or is available in nine environments including Bull HN/S.A. Control Data Corp., Cray Research, Digital Equipment Corp., Fujitsu, IBM, ICL, Unisys and Unix. ExLM provides customers with the platform for further automating existing and future 4400 ACS management functions.

Clemson University Research Foundation is a nonprofit organization performing research activities in a variety of disciplines for industry, government, and other clients. Storage Technology Corp. manufactures, markets and services, worldwide, information storage and retrieval subsystems for high-performance computers.

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SAN RAFAEL, CALIF. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Westamerica Bank has become the first bank in the country to offer banking by fax.

The innovative, easy-to-use ''Star Fax'' is Westamerica's response to cumbersome, personal computer banking. The service is offered free with

the bank's newest product, a business banking package for small to mid-size companies.

''Most businesses, 65 to 75 percent, already have a fax machine. By contrast, only 20 to 30 percent have the costly personal computers and modems required for computer banking. Using the fax machine will be among the most popular ways to bank in the next decade,'' said Patricia Hudson, senior vice president and director of marketing for Westamerica.

Customers can obtain account information and authorize fund transfers by calling an 800 number, 24-hours-a day, 7-days-a-week. The information and transaction confirmations are transmitted to the customer's fax machine within minutes.

Information can be obtained on deposit accounts as well as loans. Balance information can be requested along with transaction details such as checks paid and dates paid, service charges and current loan payoff amount. Specific checks can be identified by number and date. In addition, Westamerica's ''Star Fax'' system can activate stop payments and transfers between accounts.

''Star Fax'' is a feature of the new ''Business Star'' account, one of Westamerica's products targeted to entrepreneurs. The banking package also includes an assigned personal banker for every client, earnings allowance on savings balances, an overdraft line of credit and a host of no-fee services.

To introduce the new product, Westamerica is offering new accounts a one-half-off coupon for a Canon fax machine through September. The promotion follows the bank's successful offer of a cellular telephone for new accounts earlier this year.

Westamerica is a regional community bank with 33 offices in Marin, Sonoma, San Francisco, Contra Costa, Mendocino, Nevada, Sacramento and Solano counties.

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DENVER (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Forest Oil Corp. reported a second quarter 1990 net loss of $3.3 million before redeemable preferred stock dividend requirements, compared to a net loss of $2.2 million for the comparable period of 1989.

The increased loss in the second quarter of 1990, compared to the same

period of 1989, resulted primarily from lower prices received for natural gas. Net loss for the first six months of 1990 was $60.7 million before redeemable preferred stock dividend requirements, compared to a net loss of $.5 million in 1989.

The loss for the first six months of 1990 was primarily attributable to a non-cash after-tax charge of $55 million against net earnings in the first quarter principally from a writedown of the value of the company's oil and gas reserves in accordance with SEC regulations.

After making provisions for dividends on the company's redeemable preferred stock, the net loss attributable to common stock for the second quarter of 1990 was $4.7 million, or 43 cents per share, compared to a net loss after redeemble preferred stock requirements of $3.6 million, or 37 cents per share, for the second quarter of 1989.

The net loss attributable to common stock for the first six months of 1990 after making provisions for dividends on the company's redeemable preferred stock, was $63.5 million, or $5.75 per share, compared to a net loss of $3.3 million, or 34 cents a share, for the comparable six months of 1989.

Total revenue for the second quarter of 1990 was $20.7 million, a decrease of 23 percent from the same period of 1989. The decrease was due primarily to lower average sales prices for natural gas.

Year-to-date total revenue for 1990 was $42.8 million as compared to total revenue of $90.7 million reported for the first six months of 1989 which included the one-time effect of $34.1 million settlement related to take-or-pay gas contract dispute.

Expenses incurred during the second quarter and first six months of 1990, other than oil and gas property writedowns and depreciation, depletion and amortization charges, were 17 percent and 21 percent less, respectively, than for the same periods of 1989. General and administrative expense decreased 19 percent for the first six months of 1990 primarily due to non-recurring reorganization costs in 1989.

Interest expense decreased 35 percent and 27 percent in the second quarter and first six months, respectively, due primarily to the repurchase of subordinated debentures and lower interest rates applied to a reduced loan balance.

Forest Oil Corp. is engaged in the exploration for and acquisition, development and production of oil and natural gas. The company's principal reserves and producing properties are located offshore Louisiana and in Texas, Wyoming, Oklahoma and Canada. The company is traded on the NASDAQ/NMS system under the FOIL symbol.

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#90219b0039 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

DENVER (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - CREDO Petroleum Corp. said Tuesday that it has acquired acreage positions in both the Austin Chalk and Niobrara horizontal drilling plays, and that it intends to actively pursue drilling arrangements for the prospects.

James T. Huffman, president, said that the company and its partners have purchased approximately 6,000 gross acres in the Atascosa County, Texas, portion of the Austin Chalk trend. CREDO's interest in the acreage is 50 percent. The acreage consists of four separate horizontal drilling prospects ranging from 800 to 3200 acres each. The prospects are located in fault grabens where the Chalk formation is expected to be highly fractured.

''Some of the most significant onshore U.S. discoveries in the last decade have been made in the Austin Chalk during the past 18 months, and approximately 10 percent of the drilling rigs working in the onshore U.S. are presently drilling in the play,'' Huffman said.

''We have carefully studied the Austin Chalk play and believe it represents an excellent opportunity for CREDO to be involved in drilling very high potential wells at moderate risks.''

The company and its partners have also acquired a 600-acre horizontal drilling prospect in Routt County, Colo. CREDO's interest in the acreage is 38 percent. The prospect adjoins the Bear River Field which has produced over 1 million barrels of oil from the fractured Niobrara formation.

''The prospect offsets excellent vertical Niobrara production and represents and ideal application for high potential horizontal drilling,'' Huffman said. CREDO is presently negotiating with several companies to drill a horizontal well on the prospect.

CREDO Petroleum Corp. is a publicly traded independent oil and gas company based in Dever. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ System under the symbol CRED and is quoted daily in the ''NASD Bid & Asked Quotations'' section of ''The Wall Street Journal.''

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-30- 2254
#90219b0065 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire
SAN BRUNO, Calif. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - National Insurance Group (NASDAQ/NMS:NAIG), a leading provider of computer delivered forced order insurance and flood hazard area identification, Tuesday announced that revenues for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $4,629,000, an increase of 16 percent from revenues of $3,986,000 for the like quarter of the previous year.

Net income for the quarter decreased 79 percent to $197,000, or 5 cents per share, from $927,000, or 22 cents per share, for the like quarter of 1989.

The weighted average shares for the first quarter decreased to 4,271,535 compared with 4,276,163 for the previous year.

Revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were $9,078,000, an increase of 4 percent from revenues of $8,719,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

Net income for the six-month period decreased 60 percent to $735,000, or 17 cents per share, from $1,856,000, or 43 cents per share, for the like period in 1989.

The weighted average shares for the six months ended June 30, 1990, decreased to 4,268,143 from 4,273,954 for the previous period in 1989.

During the second quarter, revenues from the company's computerized flood hazard area identification system increased to $192,000 from $27,000 in the second quarter of the previous year. The $192,000 was a modest increase over the $185,000 in revenues in the first quarter of 1990.

The company's board of directors has declared its quarterly dividend of 5 cents per share of common stock outstanding which will be payable to the holders of record on Aug. 20, 1990. Such dividend will be paid on Sept. 5 1990.

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#90219b0073 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire
RICHARDSON, TX (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Micrografx Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:MGXI) a leading developer of personal computer graphics application software for the Microsoft Windows environment, announced that the company's common stock will be included in Tuesday's expansion of the NASDAQ National Market System (NMS).

Micrografx' entry into NMS enables the company's investors to access continuous transaction data of the exchange, and increase visibility among multiple market makers.

Through the new NMS listing, stockbrokers will be able to provide last-sale and up-to-the-second volume information on Micrografx' stock for their customers throughout the trading day. Micrografx will now be included in the NMS newspaper stock table which indicates high, low and closing prices for the most active and prominent NASDAQ securities.

''Our addition to the NASDAQ NMS is an exciting move for the company,'' said J. Paul Grayson, chairman and chief executive officer of Micrografx. ''This will allow multiple market makers to directly compete with each other to execute customer orders, and our stock will be represented more aggressively on the stock exchange.''

Micrografx completed an initial public offering of 1,529,280 shares of common stock at $16 per share on July 9. The company's stock price has since ranged between $20 to $25 per share.

''People buy our products because they love the ease of use of the Windows environment and the power of Micrografx applications,'' according to Grayson. ''Microsoft's successful May introduction of Windows 3.0 will continue to reinforce our position in the PC graphics market.''

On July 30, 1990 Micrografx reported record revenues of $5,395,000 for its first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended June 30, 1990, a 38 percent increase over $3,917,000 in revenues for the three month period ended June 30, 1989. Net income for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was $641,000, or 15 cents per share, more than doubling net income of $272,000, or 7 cents per share for the like period a year ago.

Micrografx was founded in 1982 and has been profitable in each year of its history. The company develops all of it products internally and markets its software products worldwide through a network of distributors and dealers.

Micrografx offers a comprehensive family of products including Micrografx Charisma, Micrografx Designer, Micrografx Draw Plus, Micrografx XPort, and a variety of clipart collections. Micrografx generates nearly half of its revenues through sales outside the United States and has over 170 employees in the United States, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany and the United Kingdom.

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#90219b0078 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire
SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Investment Real Estate Trust (ASE:WIR) announced Tuesday that it has sold its property in Capitola, Calif., for $675,000, which is nearly three times the Trust's original cost.

The proceeds of the sale will be invested in a property yet to be designated pursuant to a tax deferred exchange.

It is anticipated that the yield on the new investment will be more than double that which had been provided by the Capitola investment.

Western Investment Real Estate Trust is a self-administered equity real estate investment trust based in San Francisco. The Trust has invested in properties consisting, for the most part, of shopping centers and commercial buildings in northern and central California and in northern Nevada.

Founded in 1962, the Trust has investments in 58 income producing properties, including 35 supermarkets and shopping centers.

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#90219b0079 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire
SACRAMENTO, CA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The California Trucking Association (CTA) announced Tuesday that it has entered into four-year multi-million dollar contracts with AT&T and PacTel Cellular.

AT&T and PacTel Cellular will provide virtual private network service and statewide cellular service respectively to CTA's Express Network.

The California Trucking Association, in an effort to reduce telecommunications overhead as well as improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the trucking industry, has assembled a number of telecommunications products and services and made them available to its membership.

In addition the CTA serves as the single point of contact for all of its members service, support, sales and information needs.

AT&T will provide Software Defined Network (SDN) service which will serve as the backbone of CTA's Express Network. ''SDN will significantly reduce the long distance and calling card costs for CTA members who make use of

the Express Network,'' explained AT&T account executive Jim Della Santa.

Of PacTel Cellular's role in the system, PacTel Cellular's major accounts manager, Bill Cullifer explained: ''Cellular capabilities will significantly increase CTA members' productivity and effectiveness. By including cellular in its Express Network, CTA is bringing its members into the 90's with the most advanced technology available.''

''These services when combined with Pacific Bell's Centrex and GTE's CentraNet, (both of which are current providers to the Express Network), provide our members with the most advanced communication network currently available,'' stated Schumacher.

''This network will take the trucking industry a long way toward reducing congestion on our highways as well as improving the air quality by allowing instantaneous communications between a dispatcher and his fleet, which in turn increases the efficiency of the vehicles as well as the company.''

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CARMEL, IN (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Conseco Inc. (NYSE: CNC), a financial services company headquartered in Carmel, announced today that its board of directors increased the company's regular quarterly cash dividend to six cents per share from five cents per share, effective with the next dividend payment on Oct. 1, 1990. Shareholders of record on Sept. 20, 1990, will be entitled to the Oct. 1 dividend.

"This is the first increase since Conseco's dividend was initiated in the fourth quarter of 1988," said Conseco Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Stephen C. Hilbert.

"While our primary goal remains enhancement of shareholder value through reinvestment of earnings, we felt that a modest increase in the dividend would properly reflect the earnings growth Conseco has achieved and our optimism for the future."

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HOUSTON (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Cooper Industries Inc. (NYSE:CBE) Tuesday declared quarterly dividends on the

company's outstanding common and preferred shares. Regular quarterly dividends of 27 cents on each common share and 40 cents on each convertible exchangeable preferred share are payable Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 17, 1990.

Cooper Industries, with 1989 revenues of $5.1 billion, is a diversified, worldwide manufacturer of electrical products, electrical power equipment, tools and hardware, automotive products, and petroleum and industrial equipment.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Molecular Biosystems Inc. (NYSE:MB) Tuesday reported earnings of zero cents per share for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended June 30, reflecting a nominal loss of $46,758 for the period, compared with earnings of 20 cents per share, or $1,897,634, for the like period in the prior year.

In the three months ended June 30, total revenues including interest income were $3,032,598, compared with $5,908,933 in the corresponding period in 1989.

''The first-quarter financial results are consistent with our expectations '' said Dr. Kenneth J. Widder, chairman and chief executive officer. ''The major differences between the first quarter this year compared to last year are that last year we received a one-time license fee from Nycomed for rights in India, and we were still recognizing revenues from the achievement of a prior contract milestone.

''Development efforts have also increased this year, which has resulted in an increase in operating expenses of about $650,000, but also in a decrease in the income tax provision of about $1.5 million in the current period,'' he said.

''As we stated a couple of months ago, we expect the earnings picture to continue to be soft through about the second quarter. However, we believe that with the attainment of Albunex-related milestone payments, and the anticipated establishment of new strategic alliances for Syngene later in the year, revenues and earnings should then pick up,'' he said.

Molecular Biosystems Inc., located in San Diego, is a leading biomedical firm developing proprietary medical products that diagnose human disease, including Albunex, an injectable contrast agent for use in ultrasound imaging. In addition, it is a leading developer of direct,

non-radioactively labeled genetic probe products.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Howell Corp. Tuesday announced that Charles B. (Chuck) Hauf has joined its exploration and production unit as vice president, exploration.

The company expects to direct a significant portion of its annual budget in the coming years to exploration activities. Hauf will be responsible for directing and managing the exploration, as well as development activities of the company, with special emphasis on the geology and geophysics of the company's oil and gas prospects.

Chuck Hauf has 25 years of diversified domestic and international experience. He has held similar responsibilities with other independents, most recently with Thermal Exploration Inc. Hauf has worked for many other successful oil and gas companies over the years, including Amerada Petroleum, Natomas International, Wainoco, American Exploration and Kerr-McGee.

Chuck Hauf is married and has two children. He holds B.S. (with honors) and M.S. degrees in geology from the University of Wyoming. Hauf is a member of AAPG and the Houston Geological Society.

Howell Corp. (NYSE:HWL) is an energy industry holding company. Through wholly-owned operating units, it is engaged in oil and gas exploration and production, crude oil marketing, technical fuels refining and marketing, custom chemical processing, product terminalling and common carrier bulk liquids transportation of hydrocarbons and chemicals.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Los Angeles-based Falcon Cable TV announced Tuesday that it completed the acquisition of a group of cable systems from Cooke Media Group Inc. serving approximately 41,500 subscribers in communities in Oregon and Georgia.

Terms of the acquisitions were not disclosed.

As previously announced, all of the cable systems were purchased by affiliates of Falcon Holding Group Inc.

Falcon Cable Systems Co., a publicly traded partnership (ASE:FAL), acquired cable systems serving nearly 7,000 subscribers in the Oregon communities of Florence and Cottage Grove.

Falcon Classic Cable Income Properties, L.P., a publicly owned limited partnership formed by Falcon in 1989 and offered through Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., acquired the cable system serving approximately 3,600 subscribers in Redmond, Ore.

Falcon Community Ventures I, a private partnership owned by Falcon management, Hellman & Friedman Capital Partners and Falcon Community Enterprises Inc., acquired cable systems serving approximately 28,700 subscribers in the communities of Astoria, Roseburg and The Dalles, Ore., and 2,100 subscribers in the community of Rockmart, Ga.

''The completion of these acquisitions further demonstrates Falcon's commitment to the states of Oregon and Georgia. We look forward to providing the very best in cable entertainment and information to our new customers,'' stated Marc B. Nathanson, chairman and chief executive officer of Falcon Holding Group Inc.

''We believe these cable markets are excellent investments and have outstanding operating potential. For most of the these acquisitions, Falcon currently operates in neighboring markets,'' added Nathanson.

Falcon Cable TV owns, operates and develops ''classic'' cable television systems that do not receive a wide variety of clear television broadcast signals. Including pending acquisitions, Falcon provides cable service to more than 800,000 subscribers in 500 communities and 28 states throughout the nation.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Source Capital Inc. (NYSE:SOR), has declared a quarterly distribution of 90 cents per share on the company's common stock, payable Sept. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record as of the close of business Aug. 24, 1990.

A regular quarterly income dividend of 60 cents per share was declared on the company's preferred stock, also payable Sept. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record as of the close of business Aug. 24, 1990.

Source Capital is a Los Angeles-based closed-end investment company managed by First Pacific Advisors Inc., an Angeles company.

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SEATTLE (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Seattle FilmWorks Inc., (NASDAQ:FOTO), Tuesday announced its intent to repurchase up to 200,000 shares of its issued and outstanding common stock.

The repurchase will be accomplished through open market purchases at prevailing market prices, through block purchases, or through privately negotiated transactions. This program may be discontinued at any time.

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DENVER (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Mountain Medical Equipment Inc. (ASE:MTN) Tuesday reported a $176,000 or 5 cent per share loss on revenues of $6,616,000 for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares to net income of $321,000 or 10 cents per share on revenues of $8,598,000 for the same period last year.

Sales of the company's ultrasonic medication nebulizer, MicroStat, continued to be strong. Clinical testing and sales of the Avatar Personal Bowel Care System are encouraging.

Selling, general and administrative expenses are at their lowest level since the third quarter of fiscal 1987. Cost of sales as a percent of revenues were 62 percent for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 vs. 69 percent for the quarter ended Mar. 31, 1990. These improvements are, management believes, the results of streamlining the organizational structure and cost savings programs.

Mountain Medical is a leading supplier of oxygen concentrators and other respiratory therapy equipment for the home health care market. Through its wholly owned subsidiary Aegis Medical Inc., the company markets the Avatar Personal Bowel Care System, an innovative method of bowel management for institutional use.

MOUNTAIN MEDICAL
Financial Highlights
(In thousands except per share data)

	First Quarter Three Months Ended 6/30/90	6/30/89
Net revenues	$6,616	$8,598
Income before interest and Taxes	218	842
Net income (loss)	$ (176)	$ 321
Net income (loss) per share	(5 cents)	10 cents
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	3,228,829	3,274,344

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Scottsdale-based Ambassador's Original English Scones is pleased to announce the appointment of Elizabeth Kuyasa as director of marketing.

Kuyasa joins Ambassador's Original English Scones with more than 10 years in-depth experience in specialty food development and retail management.

Marie Ravenscroft, president of Ambassador's, said: ''Elizabeth is a real find for us. Her background in the retail side of the specialty food business will be of tremendous value in our efforts to meet the needs of the major retail and specialty outlets which will be serviced by our distributors, nationwide.''

''I'm so pleased to be working with Marie and Aubrey (Franklin, Ravenscroft's partner). They are both perfectionists, totally dedicated to producing the very best possible product at the right price for the consumer. They're fun to work with, too,'' stated Kuyasa.

Ambassador's Original English Scones products are distributed in the western states, and expansion announcements on new territories, including Canada, will soon be made.

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PEABODY, MA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Warren Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:WRNB) Tuesday reported its operating results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The corporation reported a net loss of $2.7 million, or 77 cents per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared with net income of $138,000 or 4 cents per share, for the comparable period in 1989. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the corporation reported a net loss of $3.3 million, or 95 cents per share, compared with net income of $795,000, or 23 cents per share, for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

Stephen F. O'Sullivan, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Warren Bancorp Inc. noted that the 1990 second quarter results reflected the continuation of the same regional economic and real estate market conditions that have impacted the performance of the corporation, and other New England financial institutions during the past year.

These conditions have contributed in general to higher levels of non-performing loans which do not accrue interest, increases in real estate acquired through foreclosure and substantively repossessed (and the administrative expenses associated with acquiring and maintaining these properties) and write-downs of principal on real estate acquired through foreclosure and investments in real estate joint ventures.

''We continue to focus the full resources of the corporation on resolving non-performing asset situations, to restore the asset quality and profitability of the corporation,'' said O'Sullivan. ''I am pleased to note that through our asset management and real estate marketing programs, we continue to make progress in this area during 1990, as evidenced by a reduction in the level of non-performing assets at June 30, 1990 to $35.0 million, from $40.5 million at March 31, 1990, and $42.5 million at December 31, 1989,'' he added.

During the 1990 second quarter, the corporation's subsidiary, Warren Five Cents Savings Bank, received a report of the recently completed regulatory examination. O'Sullivan noted, ''We expect to discuss with the regulators the appropriate steps to be taken in light of the examination findings, including an informal agreement setting forth a series of specific responsive actions to be taken by the bank, among which are an increase in the bank's capital ratio to 8 percent and restrictions on payment of dividends and acceptance of brokered deposits.''

The provision for loan losses was $1.9 million in the 1990 second quarter, and $2.2 million for the first six months of 1990, compared with $400,000, and $800,000, respectively, for the same periods in 1989. O'Sullivan noted that the provision was increased in the 1990 second quarter from that of the 1990 first quarter, to reflect current market conditions and the potential impact on the corporation's loan portfolio.

The allowance for loan losses totalled $6.9 million at June 3, 1990, compared with $5.7 million at March 31, 1990 and $2.2 million at June 30, 1989; the ratio of the allowance for loan losses to total non-performing loans was 28.41 percent at June 30, 1990, compared with 22.03 percent at March 31, 1990, and 11.09 percent at June 30, 1989.

Warren Bancorp Inc. had net charge-offs totalling $688,000 during the 1990 second quarter, compared with $928,000 in the second quarter of 1989.

Net loans decreased to $434.6 million at June 30, 1990, compared with $443.1 million at March 31, 1990 and $489.5 million at June 30, 1989. Included in net loans at June 30, 1990 are $11.2 million in condominium development loans, $11.7 million in land loans, and $2.4 million in commercial construction loans.

Loans in a non-performing status at June 30, 1990, totalled $24.4 million, or 5.52 percent of loans, compared with $25.8 million, or 5.75 percent of loans, at March 31, 1990 and $20.2 million, or 4.11 percent of loans at June 30, 1989. Real estate acquired through foreclosure and substantively repossessed at June 30, 1990 totalled $9.2 million compared with $12.3 million at March 31, 1990, and $4.2 million at June 30, 1989.

Continuing in a non-performing status at June 30, 1990 are $1.5 million of real estate joint venture projects. Total non-performing assets at June 30, 1990 were $35.0 million, compared with $40.5 million at March 31, 1990 and $24.4 million at June 30, 1989.

Warren Bancorp Inc.'s assets totalled $578.4 million at June 30, 1990, a decrease of approximately 8.2 percent from total assets of $630.4 million reported at June 30, 1989.

Stockholders' equity of $40.0 million was equivalent to $11.43 per share, or 6.91 percent of total assets at June 30, 1990.

Warren Bancorp Inc.is the holding company for Warren Five Cents Savings Bank. A Massachusetts-chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank, Warren Five services the North Shore, Merrimack Valley and Cape Ann communities through eight branches and two loan offices in Peabody, Beverly, Andover and Gloucester.

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DENVER (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Speaking at the Tele-Communications Inc.

annual meeting of shareholders Tuesday, John C. Malone, president of TCI, responded to shareholders' questions regarding Liberty Media Corp., the proposed new company which will hold most of the company's cable investments and programming investments.

He said under the plan, the company's investment interest, generally 50 percent or less, in 18 affiliated entities which operate cable systems serving approximately two million subscribers in 28 states under approximately 1,130 franchises and in 12 cable program services would be transferred to Liberty Media.

The cable investments include Lenfest Communications Inc., TKR Cable Co., Intermedia Partners and Kansas City Cable Partners. The program investments include American Movie Classics, The Discovery Channel, QVC and The Family Channel, but exclude Turner Broadcasting System Inc.

Briefly recounting the history, he said that the company announced in January that the directors had authorized development of a plan to distribute these investments to the company's shareholders. In March, the company announced that it was considering effecting the distribution by means of a rights offering to its shareholders which would entitle them to exchange a portion of their shares of TCI Class A and Class B common stock for shares of Liberty.

As currently structured, TCI would contribute its interest in the investments to Liberty in exchange for several classes of Liberty preferred stock. At the same time, TCI shareholders would contribute a certain portion of their TCI holdings in exchange for Liberty securities.

Thus, upon completion of the transaction, Liberty will hold cable and programming investments as well as some TCI stock. TCI would hold certain Liberty preferred stock, and the TCI shareholders would hold all of the Liberty common stock.

Tele-Communications Inc. is traded over-the-counter with Class A common stock and Class B common stock trading separately under symbols of TCOMA and TCOMB, respectively. The company's 11-1/8 percent senior subordinated debentures, 7 percent convertible subordinated debentures, and TCI Rights are traded in the over-the-counter markets, the latter two under the symbols of TCOMH and TCOMR respectively.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Metro Mobile CTS Inc. (AMEX:MMZ.A,

MMZ.B) reported its operating results Tuesday for the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990:

For the Quarter Ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$49,911,000	$27,434,000
Operating income (loss)	(2,130,000)	(2,345,000)
Net loss	$(22,115,000)	$(11,002,000)
Net loss per share	(35 cents)	(17 cents)

For the Nine Months Ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$166,792,000	$71,252,000
Operating income (loss)	2,201,000	(10,528,000)
Net loss	$(54,299,000)	(33,757,000)
Net loss per share	(86 cents)	(52 cents)

During the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990, 14,000 and 41,000 subscribers were added, respectively, to cellular systems operated by Metro Mobile. Its systems served 128,000 subscribers at June 30, 1990.

Included in the results for the quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990, are revenues of $12,168,000 and $64,566,000, respectively, of Vision Energy Resources Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary which sells and distributes propane. Vision reported an operating loss of $2,836,000 for the quarter compared with operating income of $1,920,000 for the nine months. Vision was not in operation prior to June 30, 1989.

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RICHMOND, CA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Pixar Tuesday announced ClipObjects Sampler, the first in a series of clip object libraries for three-dimensional RenderMan picture-making on the Apple Macintosh family of computers.

Pixar ClipObjects contain dozens of 3D clip-art objects that provide users with the source materials they need to easily make realistic pictures for visual presentations. The objects may be used with Pixar's new Showplace picture composition software (see related release), or with other RenderMan-compatible applications.

''High quality objects are the foundation for creating photorealistic pictures,'' said Charles Kolstad, president of Pixar. ''Pixar ClipObjects give people who don't have the time or skill to produce a high quality model access to premade 3-D art for presentations and other every-day picture-making.''

ClipObjects Sampler includes a wide variety of models with realistic detail and curved surfaces which eliminate the ''jaggies'' often found in conventional clip art. Since the objects are three dimensional, they may be rotated to the perspective the user needs -- a beverage cup may be viewed from any side, the top, or the bottom.

Each Pixar ClipObject is hierarchically modelled from smaller geometric elements, which gives users the ability to move the parts that comprise each object. For example, a Pixar Showplace user can 'open' the driver's side door on an automobile ClipObject.

Surface appearances can also be changed with Pixar Looks libraries (see related release). Each Looks library includes dozens of surface appearances which provide users with additional picture-making variety -- so the user can change the roof on the automobile ClipObject from blue metal to black vinyl with the appropriate Look.

ClipObjects Sampler includes objects ranging from message bearers like a mailbox and a tombstone, through furniture, symbols, borders, columns and miscellaneous objects, to text presentation vehicles such as t-shirts, a billboard and a ticker tape machine.

ClipObjects Sampler will ship in November for $195. It will be available directly from Pixar, and through standard dealer distribution channels.

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RICHMOND, CA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Pixar Tuesday announced Showplace, the first three-dimensional picture composition software for the Apple Macintosh family of computers.

Showplace gives users an easy, visual way to compose and produce photorealistic pictures on the Macintosh.

Showplace users act much like studio photographers, setting the stage for a picture and then ''photographing'' it. The user:

-- brings in objects or ''props'' from 3D modeling applications or Pixar's ClipObjects supplied with Showplace and also available separately;

-- arranges the objects in a scene;

-- gives each object a distinct appearance - or Look - using the Pixar Looks surface appearances supplied with Showplace and also available separately (for example, the frame of a chair might be made oak, and the seat fabric red wool);

-- locates light sources, such as lamps and windows;

-- sets up a camera to ''shoot'' the picture;

-- creates a finished picture.

Showplace employs a visual, full color user interface to guide the user through operations. Objects may be imported from modeling applications that produce RenderMan-compatible files (RIBs), such as Swivel 3D Professional, or from Pixar's separate ClipObject libraries.

Showplace also lets users place 3-D textual messages anywhere in a scene (such as, engraved on a tombstone, chiseled onto a granite monument, or ''embroidered'' on a sampler).

Showplace pictures may be saved as either TIFF and PICT files, which can then be used in other applications like MacroMind Director, Aldus Persuasion, Adobe Photoshop and QuarkExpress.

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BOSTON (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Oracle Corporation, the world's largest supplier of database software and services, today announced ORACLE Server for Macintosh Version 1.0, the first open database server for all Macintosh computer networks. The product is being demonstrated today at Macworld.

ORACLE Server for Macintosh 1.0 completes Oracle's comprehensive client/server computing strategy in the Macintosh environment. This product complements ORACLE for Macintosh 1.2, the industry's leading Macintosh client database product.

ORACLE Server for Macintosh 1.0 is Oracle's SQL relational database server for the Macintosh. It is the open server that transforms Macintosh networks from simple file and print workgroups to true client/server and multi-server systems. It provides enterprise-wide connectivity for Macintosh environments. Now Macintosh users can take advantage of Macintosh-only client/server computing and can use the same Macintosh computers to access data residing on minicomputers, mainframes and even OS/2 client/server systems.

ORACLE Server for Macintosh is compatible with the Macintosh Operating System (Version 6.0.2 and above) and supports a comprehensive set of end-user, development and administration tools.

ORACLE Server for Macintosh will support a range of Apple networking standards including LocalTalk, EtherTalk and TokenTalk. Oracle's SQL Net for AppleTalk allows Macintosh clients to access ORACLE Server for Macintosh, using the AppleTalk protocol. In addition, to exchange corporate data between Macintosh servers and Oracle databases residing on minicomputers or mainframes, Oracle provides additional protocol support including SQL Net for TCP/IP, DECNet, Async and 3270. ORACLE Macintosh users also will be able to access IBM's DB2 and SQL/DS and Digital's RMS by using Oracle's SQL Connect in combination with SQL Net. Full Server Functionality

Oracle Corporation, headquartered in Redwood Shores, Calif., is the largest supplier of DBMS software and the third largest software and services company in the world.

Oracle develops and markets an integrated line of software products for database management, applications development, decision support and office automation, as well as families of financial and manufacturing applications packages. All Oracle products are available on PCs, minicomputers and mainframes, and ORACLE is the first and only database to run on supercomputers.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. Tuesday announced it has reduced the price of its CS/1 communications server and its EtherLink/MC adapter board for IBM PS/2 Micro Channel computers and compatibles, providing customers with high-quality hardware products at competitive prices.

Reflecting recent design and manufacturing changes, the price of the CS/1 has been reduced by as much as 30 percent, and the EtherLink/MC has been reduced between 14 and 16 percent. The EtherLink/MC also includes improved hardware features that provide customers with increased system performance.

The CS/1, a high-performance asynchronous communications server, supports key industry-standard networking protocols in one product, including Transmission Control Protocol/Internetwork Protocol (TCP/IP), Xerox Network Systems (XNS) and Open Systems Interconnect (OSI).

By supporting these protocols, 3Com meets customers increasing requirements for devices that connect systems from multiple vendors. The CS/1 also provides connectivity for up to 64 asynchronous devices or host ports, allowing customers to expand their networks in low cost increments.

The CS/1 chassis is a component of 3Com's GS/1-X.25 Ethernet-to-X.25 gateway and the CS/1-SNA Ethernet-to-IBM SNA gateway. Both products also benefit from the CS/1 price reduction.

The CS/1 chassis, originally priced at $6,000, is available as of Aug. 1 for $4,500. The 16-port asynchronous input/output (I/O) card for the CS/1 is reduced from $2,500 to $1,500 and the 8-port asychronous I/O card is reduced from $1,900 to $1,300.

3Com's EtherLink/MC adapter now offers improved performance resulting from a faster Intel 82586 Ethernet controller and improved memory access provided through suppression of the adapter RAM wait state.

With lower component count and power requirements, the EtherLink/MC is more reliable. This is because there is less chance for heat-related stress failure on fewer individual components. Also, because the EtherLink/MC now consumes less power from a five-volt power source, additional power is available to run other add-in cards.

Effective Aug. 1, the price of the EtherLink/MC decreases from $495 to $425 and the EtherLink/MC 5-pack is reduced from $2,225 to $1,875, a decrease of $70 per board. The EtherLink/MC is covered by 3Com's recently announced lifetime limited warranty for EtherLink adapters.

3Com Corp. is a leading independent global data networking company, providing multivendor connectivity that spans organizations and businesses

worldwide. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports networking systems based on industry standards and open systems architecture.

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(AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Four Seasons Hotels Inc. (TSE/ME:FSH) announced Tuesday that earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 increased 21 percent to $7 million, from $5.8 million for the same period in 1989.

This improvement is attributed to the deconsolidation of the Santa Barbara hotel discussed below, and solid operating results from our management activities. In particular, a strong quarter at the Four Seasons Hotel, Chicago, which opened March 1989; additional fee revenues from the Four Seasons Resort, Wailea, Maui, which opened March 20, 1990; and the fees generated from our hotels and resorts under development helped increase management earnings.

On a normalized basis, earnings for the first six months of 1990 increased 13 percent over the first six months of 1989, after removing the effect of the sale of the Four Seasons Hotel, Ottawa which occurred Mar. 7, 1990 and the effect of the deconsolidation of the Four Seasons Biltmore Hotel, which took place in the second quarter of 1990.

Including the effect of these two items, net earnings for the six months ended June 30, 1990 increased 48 percent to $8.7 million, from $5.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

Revenues under management for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $178.7 million, an increase of 4 percent over the same period in 1989. For the first half, revenues under management increased 5.9 percent to $322 million, from $304 million for the first six months of 1989.

A decision has been made to attempt to dispose of the company's 50 percent ownership interest in the Four Seasons Biltmore Hotel, while retaining the long-term management of the hotel. The completion of the renovation program for the hotel, and the operational success the hotel has achieved places the company in a good position to attempt to maximize the value of the asset at this time.

As a result of this decision, operating results, fixed assets, and

long-term debt related to the Santa Barbara hotel have been deconsolidated. Without the effect of this deconsolidation, net earnings for the quarter increased 12 percent over the prior year's second quarter. If the hotel is sold, it is management's intention to use the proceeds to pay down debt.

Four Seasons Hotels is the world's largest operator of hotels and resorts exclusively in the luxury class, and currently owns and/or operates 23 properties in Canada, the United States and England, and has 10 hotels and resorts under development.

Four Seasons resorts under development are located in Kona, Hawaii; Nevis, West Indies; Carlsbad, Calif.; Scottsdale, Ariz.; Costa Isabela, Puerto Rico; and Ko Olina, Oahu, Hawaii. International urban hotels under development are located in Mexico City, Tokyo, Paris and Singapore.

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COLUMBUS, Ohio (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Buckeye Financial Corp. (NYSE:BCKY), parent of Buckeye Federal Savings and Loan Association, Tuesday announced earnings of $601,000, or 23 cents per share, for the quarter ended June 30.

This compares with earnings of $668,000, or 25 cents per share, for the second quarter of 1989.

Net income was $1.151 million, or 44 cents per share, for the first six months, compared with earnings of $1.236 million, or 47 cents per share, for the like period in 1989.

On March 1, Buckeye Financial Corp. signed a definitive agreement to be acquired by National City Corp. (NYSE:NCC), parent company of BancOhio National Bank. Completion of the merger, which is subject to approval by regulatory agencies and Buckeye Financial shareholders, is anticipated during the fourth quarter of 1990.

National City is a $23 billion regional bank holding company with headquarters in Cleveland.

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DENVER (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Bayly Corp. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, George K. Hansen, announced that, ''Bayly has retained Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. as its financial advisor to help it review various strategic options, including a recapitalization or a business combination.

''Goals include reduced reliance on debt and increased counter-seasonal business.''

Hansen continued, saying, ''We have had preliminary discussions with several organizations but have not reached a definitive agreement to implement our strategy nor can we give assurance that any such transaction will actually occur.''

Headquartered in Denver, Bayly Corp. (NASDAQ:BAYLY) designs, manufactures and sells young men's walkshorts under license from Ocean Pacific (Op) Sunwear Ltd.; men's and boys' sportswear under the nationally known brand name of O'Neill; men's and boys' swimwear, walkshorts and pants under the brand name Morey Boogie Bodywear, as well as private-label apparel.

Bayly's customers include major department and specialty stores for its branded products and mass merchandisers and other retailers for its private-label apparel.

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SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - National Medical Enterprises, Inc. (NYSE/PSE/LoSE:NME) (NME) has signed a definitive agreement with Columbia Hospital Corp. to sell NME's Southside Community Hospital in Corpus Christi, Texas.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Southside Community Hospital, which NME purchased in December 1984, operates as a general acute-care hospital with 164 licensed beds.

Columbia Hospital Corp. became a publicly held company on May 16, 1990, when it merged with San Diego-based Smith Laboratories Inc., a manufacturer and supplier of medical equipment. Founded in 1987 in Fort Worth, Texas, Columbia currently operates 10 hospitals with 1,846 beds in Texas and Florida.

National Medical Enterprises, one of the nation's largest health care services companies, owns, operates and manages acute, psychiatric, and physical rehabilitative hospitals and substance-abuse treatment centers

throughout the United States and internationally.

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Famous Restaurants Inc. (NASDAQ:FAMS), operator of full-service Mexican and seafood restaurants, reported net income of $399,000, 6 cents per share, for the second quarter and $905,000, 14 cents per share, for the first two quarters ended July 15 1990, as compared to net income of $486,000, 8 cents per share, and $771,000, 12 cents per share, for the corresponding periods in 1989.

Revenues for the second quarter and first two quarters of 1990 were $24,081,000 and $55,759,000, respectively, compared to $23,040,000 and $47,549,000 for the corresponding periods in 1989, or increases of 5 percent and 17 percent, respectively. These results include the operations of 11 Casa Lupita Mexican Restaurants since their acquisition in May 1989.

Dennis B. Mullen, chairman, president and chief executive officer stated: ''The less than expected results are due to the continued sales softness primarily in Phoenix and Denver where we operate a total of 16 restaurants. We have commenced aggressive marketing activities featuring new price-value television in our Phoenix market. It is anticipated that the television will be expanded to other appropriate markets along with newspaper support.''

The company currently operates 55 restaurants: 44 Garcia's Mexican Restaurants, nine Casa Lupita Mexican Restaurants and two Famous Fish Co. Restaurants. Currently, three Garcia's are under construction which will open before year-end - one in the San Francisco area; one in Sacramento, Calif.; and one in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. There are five franchised Garcia's open, including one recently opened in Thomas River, N.J., which is experiencing large early volumes.

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SUNNYVALE, CA. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Micro Devices has defeated a legal effort by Intel Corp. aimed at disrupting shipments of the AMD 80C287 math coprocessor chip.

U.S. District Court Judge William Ingram Tuesday ruled that Intel failed to satisfy the burden of proof required to prevent others from using the ''87 product numbering system'' to designate math coprocessor devices.

''The product designation number was the principal issue of concern to AMD in the hearing on Intel's request for a preliminary injunction,'' said Thomas W. Armstrong, vice president and general counsel.

''All of the other concerns raised by Intel were essentially irrelevant because in an effort to expedite the case we had previously agreed to virtually everything subject to today's order.

''We are deeply gratified that Judge Ingram's ruling will allow free market forces to determine the success or failure of this product,'' Armstrong continued. ''AMD never claimed to be an authorized second source for Intel's math coprocessor.

''Indeed, even before the hearing on the preliminary injunction, we had either agreed to or had already put into place each of the actions included in Judge Ingram's order. As a result, today's ruling will have no impact whatsoever on AMD's ability or plans to ship the product.

''The genuine question at issue is whether Advanced Micro Devices has the right to copy and distribute Intel's microcode under a cross-license agreement between the two companies. We believe we clearly have that right, and we are prepared to do everything possible to expedite a court decision on that question.''

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HONOLULU (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - American Savings Bank (NYSE:ASB) a federal savings bank and subsidiary of Hawaiian Electric Industries Inc. (NYSE:HE), received regulatory approval from the Federal Office of Thrift Supervision on August 6, 1990 to acquire the Hawaii branches and deposits of First Nationwide Bank.

American Savings Bank (ASB) is the fourth largest financial institution in the state of Hawaii. As of June 30, 1990, ASB had assets of $1.8 billion and deposits of $1.2 billion, with 36 branches on five islands.

The acquisition will increase ASB's deposit base by nearly $245 million and expand its retail branch network by nine branches. ASB has offered employment to all of First Nationwide's retail banking employees. The

transaction is expected to be completed by early October. The transaction does not include First Nationwide's loan portfolio.

ASB will receive approximately $235 million in cash in the transaction equal to the deposit liabilities less a 3.25 percent premium on the deposits and other deductions which are expected not to exceed $10 million in the aggregate.

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DALLAS (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Popular third part software packages for image processing program development, desktop publishing and a Unix graphical user interface are now available for Ramtek's Millennium imaging system.

The Visualization Workbench from Paragon Imaging and Looking Glass from Visix Software can now be ordered with Millennium, a high-performance, high-resolution system designed to accelerate the processing and visual display of technical and scientific data. In addition, FrameMaker can be ordered separately from Frame Technology to operate with Millennium.

Introduced in February, Millennium can turn a Unix-based workstation into a powerful image processing system for remote sensing geophysical, geographical information systems, medical, publishing and other image-oriented applications.

Millennium performs float-point calculations at the rate of 80 megaFLOPS, and can complete Fast Fourier Transformations of 512 by 512 by 8 pixel images in 3.8 seconds vs. 11.6 seconds on an Apollo DN10000 and more than four minutes on a Sun 3/110.

The Visualization Workbench is an application oriented electronic imaging software system that integrates image processing with graphics, visual programming, automatic program generation and graphical user interface tools. Based on Unix and the X Window system, the Visualization Workbench uses Millennium's Imaging Kernel System (IKS) developed by the University of Lowell.

IKS will comply with the proposed ANSI standard Programmer's Imaging Kernel (PIK) and offers an extensive program development tool set. Visualization Workbench can simplify the organization of these tools into application programs, according to Swanson.

FrameMaker 2.1-X workstation publishing software for newsletters, books

and manuals features a WYSIWYG mouse-based interface with icons, dialog boxes and pull-down menus. The system offers complete document design and layout features, full word processing, graphics drawing and handling, and specialized book-building and math support features.

Looking Glass is a powerful desktop manager that lets users take advantage of the functionality of Unix through an easy-to-use icon and mouse-driven interface.

The full range of Unix file and directory operations is intrinsic to Looking Glass, which is implemented in compliance with the OSF/Motif look-and-feel standard.

Looking Glass can be customized with user-defined icons and operations. Standard file management commands include Create, Open, Copy, Move, Link, Print, Change Properties, Information, Build, Find and Select By Pattern. A proprietary File System Server overcomes built-in Unix limitations with accurate iconographics file display and high-speed directory access.

The Visualization Workbench is available from Ramtek for a unit price of $5,500: Looking Glass, available from Ramtek, ranges from $795 for the SparcStation 1 version to $1,295 for the Sun 4 version; FrameMaker from Frame Technology is $2,500.

Ramtek Corp., headquartered in San Jose, designs and manufactures high-performance imaging and graphics display systems and peripherals.

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VANCOUVER, BC (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp. (NASDAQ:CLCDF; VSE:CLV), the registered holder of the trademark ''Clearly Canadian'', Tuesday announced that sales for the month of July exceeded $3.9 million (Cdn. $4.5 million) as compared to $1.1 million (Cdn. $1.3 million) for July 1989.

Case sales for the month of July were approximately 940,000 versus 164,310 cases during July 1989.

The company stated that July sales surpassed the company's previous record monthly sales of $3.1 million (Cdn. $3.6 million) achieved in June 1990.

''We are extremely pleased to announce another record month,'' stated Douglas L. Mason, president and chief executive officer of Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp. ''Our July sales results are testimony to the

product's increasing consumer acceptance, a trend that we anticipate will continue throughout our first quarter and fiscal 1991.''

In a separate announcement, the company stated discussions with a number of qualified parties regarding an investment in the Company have taken place and continue to progress.

Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp. produces and markets ''Clearly Canadian'', a line of natural and flavored sparkling mineral waters. Through distribution agreements, ''Clearly Canadian'' is sold in 30 states all of Canada, Japan and England.

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LAKEWOOD, COLO. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Capital Associates Inc. (NASDAQ:CAII), a financial services and asset management company, announced Tuesday that it is anticipating a loss in its fiscal fourth quarter and year ended May 31.

The loss is expected to result largely from reserves to be established for assets leased to companies experiencing severe financial difficulties. The company is in the process of closing its books for the fiscal year just ended, and cannot yet quantify the amount of the fourth quarter loss, although it is expected to be substantial.

Richard Kazan, the company's chief executive officer, stated: ''We do not expect to release our operating results until later this month. However, timely communication to the financial community is essential to the continued success of Capital Associates. Therefore, I want to inform the market place at this time.''

Kazan stated that he will not be able to provide further information regarding the company's financial performance until the full operating results are available. He noted that, ''Although incurring this loss is painful, the company is going through a transition period in which a number of positive steps have been taken, including the restructuring of the company's administrative and management functions.

Capital Associates Inc. has arranged approximately $2 billion of asset financing. The company provides its predominantly Fortune 1000 customers with innovative and customized solutions to their equipment financing needs. Capital Associates is headquartered in the greater Denver area

and maintains 20 offices nationwide and in Japan.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Laserscope (NASDAQ:LSCP) Tuesday announced that it had granted a sole sub-license for ophthalmic use of KTP crystals to Biovision S.A., a privately held French corporation.

Under the sub-license agreement, Laserscope will receive certain royalty payments.

Laserscope has an exclusive license from E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. for in-vivo medical applications of KTP under certain U.S. patents. The sub-license applies only to ophthalmic applications. Laserscope markets its own KTP/532 and KTP/YAG Surgical Laser Systems to the hospital market for use in several specialties, including gynecology, general surgery and ear, nose and throat surgery.

Commenting on the sub-license, Herbert Taus, Laserscope chief executive officer, stated: ''We are pleased to have Biovision expand the use of KTP lasers to this additional market segment. We have been impressed with the capabilities of Biovision's management and with the quality of its products.''

Biovision distributes KTP laser systems for the ophthalmic market. Initial sales have been in France and distribution will now be expanded to the United States upon receipt of FDA clearance. Biovision indicated that it anticipates FDA clearance shortly. The company is based in Cournon D'Auvergne, France, and operates in the United States from Walnut Creek, Calif.

Laserscope designs, manufactures and markets an advanced line of KTP/532 and KTP/YAG surgical laser systems and related accessories and disposables. These systems employ the company's proprietary laser technology based on KTP crystalline material and enable the surgeon to cut coagulate and vaporize tissue in a wide variety of applications and procedures.

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SANTA CRUZ, CALIF. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The Santa Cruz Operation Inc. announced Tuesday that it is now shipping Microsoft Word 5.0 for AT&T 3B2/400, 3B2/500 and 3B2/600 computers running the AT&T 3B2 UNIX Operating System, and for AT&T 6386 computers running the AT&T UNIX System V/386 Release 3.2 Operating System.

Microsoft Word 5.0 for UNIX Systems brings the sophistication of MS-DOS word processing features to U.S. government agencies and other organizations running multiuser, multitasking UNIX Systems. Designed for offices of any size, Microsoft Word 5.0 makes it easy to create a full spectrum of documents, including columns and graphics.

The UNIX System version is functionally similar to the MS-DOS version, including menus with prompts, as well as speed keys for bypassing menus. Microsoft Word 5.0 requires fewer keystrokes than other word processors to set tabs, margins, headers and footers, or to execute other routine processing tasks.

Microsoft Word 5.0 provides a full set of workgroup productivity tools, all of which are designed to work with the powerful multiuser, multitasking features of the UNIX System.

These tools include links to other applications, so that graphics and spreadsheets can be integrated into word processing documents; style sheets that ensure consistent, high-quality output; an advanced outliner that makes it easy for groups to brainstorm and restructure documents quickly; annotation and redlining features which take the confusion out of editing documents within a workgroup; and advanced tools for archiving and retrieving documents.

Microsoft Word 5.0 for UNIX Systems is available now from SCO authorized distributors and resellers in the United States and Canada for the AT&T 3B2/400 at a U.S. list price of $1,495, for the AT&T 3B2/500 and 3B2/600 at a U.S. list price of $2,395, and for the AT&T 6386 running AT&T UNIX System V/386 at a U.S. list price of $1,095.

For further information on these products, call 1-800/SCO-UNIX (726-8649) in the United States and 1-800/461-6962 in Canada.

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CHERRY HILL, NJ (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The Score Board, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: BSBL) Tuesday announced that its common stock has begun trading on the NASDAQ National Market System (NMS) as of today under its same symbol BSBL.

The company's entry into the NASDAQ/NMS market provides brokers and other investment community members with immediate and continuous access to the company's stock transaction data.

This data is available over more than 150,000 electronic terminals in brokers' offices throughout the United States and the free world. Stockbrokers will be able to provide last-sale prices and up-to-the-second volume information on the company's common stock for their customers throughout the trading day. In addition, core Board will be included in the NMS newspaper stock table which shows high, low and closing prices.

The Score Board, Inc. is one of the largest distributors of baseball cards and sports-related memorabilia. It also markets the Classic Major League Baseball board game and World Wrestling Federation trading cards through its wholly owned subsidiary, Classic Games, Inc.

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DEERFIELD, IL (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Schwitzer, Inc. (NYSE: SCZ) Tuesday reported second quarter net income of $1.0 million or 15 cents per share for its second quarter ended July 1, 1990, compared with pro forma net income of $1.5 million or 22 cents per share reported in the second quarter of 1989.

The 1990 tax rate is abnormally high due to the effect of Brazilian currency exchange rates on Brazilian taxes. Results for the 1989 quarter are reported on a pro forma basis due to the company's spinoff from Household International in April 1989. Revenue for the second quarter was $29.3 million, down 10 percent from 1989's second quarter revenues of $32.5 million.

For the first six months of 1990, net earnings were $2.0 million or 28 cents per share compared with year ago six-month pro forma earnings of $3.0 million or 43 cents per share. Revenue for the first six months of 1990 was $60.3 million, while 1989's six-month revenues were $66.1 million.

Gary Dillon, president and chief executive officer of Schwitzer, said, ''While Schwitzer's sales for the second quarter were 10 percent below

last year's, published truck industry information indicated that first quarter truck production declined by 20 percent in North America and 9 percent in Europe, including 45 percent in the United Kingdom, one of our key European markets. Similar trends continued during the second quarter.

Looking ahead, Dillon said that Schwitzer's third quarter is traditionally its lowest volume quarter, due to key customer vacation shutdowns in the summer months. The company expects sales volume in the second half of 1990 to be similar to the second half of 1989, with somewhat stronger earnings, depending on the level of activity in the truck and construction markets worldwide. Schwitzer's Brazilian business was affected by a two-month major industry volume decline as the government's economic reforms went into effect during the quarter. Subsequent months' activity has improved; and, while the economic climate in Brazil remains uncertain, the company expects its operations there to be profitable for the year.

Schwitzer is a leading producer of turbochargers, engine cooling systems and vibration dampers for major non-passenger car engine manufacturers worldwide. The company has state-of- the-art manufacturing processes and facilities strategically located for serving the company's global markets for medium and heavy-duty engine components.

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LENEXA, KN (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Syntro Corp. (NASDAQ:SYNT) and The Upjohn Co. (NYSE:UPJ) jointly announced Tuesday resolution of their dispute regarding patent rights to a genetically engineered pseudorabies vaccine for swine.

The agreement will end litigation brought by Upjohn claiming that its patent is infringed by a pseudorabies vaccine sold by SyntroVet Inc., Syntro's animal health subsidiary. The agreement, with Syntro taking a license under the Upjohn patent and paying royalty to Upjohn, provides worldwide cross-licensing in exchange for royalties under each companys' patent rights in the field of pseudorabies.

Both companies market pseudorabies vaccine products claimed in the Upjohn patent, Upjohn's TOLVID vaccine and SyntroVet's PRV/Marker.

''We are pleased to have this matter behind us,'' said Dr. J. Donald Todd, Syntro's president and chief executive officer, ''and have the dispute settled in a reasonable and equitable manner which recognizes the value of both partys' technology. Syntro will now focus our resources on additional applications of our technology.''

According to Gerald A. Welch, Upjohn senior vice president and general manager for the Agricultural Division, ''Upjohn's patent resulted from our pioneering research program in veterinary biotechnology. We are pleased that this settlement provides further recognition of our scientific efforts.''

Syntro and Upjohn have been involved in litigation since March 1989 when Upjohn filed suit in Delaware charging Syntro with infringement of the Upjohn patent. A similar suit was filed by Upjohn in Kansas against SyntroVet in September 1989. Counterclaims had been filed by Syntro against Upjohn in the Delaware action.

Syntro Corp., founded in 1981, is a Lenexa and San Diego based biotechnology company engaged in the development and commercialization of technology in the health sector. SyntroVet, a wholly owned animal health subsidiary of Syntro, was established in 1985 to manufacture and market products resulting from Syntro's research program.

The Upjohn Co. is a world-wide, research-based provider of human health care products and services, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, Mich., the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Winners Circle Inc. (NASDAQ:WNRS), dba High Five Sportswear, announced Tuesday its agreement to manufacture and sell garments with a total value of $94,000 to Commtron Video in connection with that company's upcoming home video distribution of the Paramount Pictures film ''The Hunt for Red October.''

The sale includes jackets with a ''The Hunt for Red October'' embroidered logo that will be used to stimulate sales of the home video to retail outlets.

''These types of sales to home video distributors who use our products to promote purchases have become increasingly important to us and our customers as competition in the home video market has increased,'' commented Joel Serber, Winners Circle's senior vice president responsible

for corporate and promotional sales.

''This year alone, our sales to this industry have increased substantially partially as a result of another sale to Warner Home Video of about $45,000 worth of jackets that were used in the home video release of 'Lethal Weapon 2,''' Serber continued. ''We look forward to further penetration of this market,'' he concluded.

Under the name High Five Sportswear, Winners Circle designs, manufactures and markets a line of domestically produced recreational-wear garments, including satin, leather and cotton jackets, as well as sweat shirts and pants and T-shirts, which are embroidered or silk screened with corporate logos, slogans or promotional messages, for the corporate promotional market.

Under the name Team Systems, the company also produces a line of high-fashion lycra and spandex junior wear for various retail department stores and specialty chains.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - SynOptics Communications Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SNPX) Tuesday announced it will incorporate wide-area networking into its LattisNet intelligent concentrator products with the addition of remote bridging capabilities.

Integrated as a module in the LattisNet System 3000 intelligent wiring hub SynOptics' LattisNet Model 3356 Remote Ethernet Bridge interconnects geographically dispersed Ethernet local area networks (LANs) over a variety of high-speed, wide-area serial links such as T1.

The LattisNet Model 3356 offers the advanced features expected in a high-performance remote bridge, including adaptive routing (AR), multilink and triangulation. Adaptive routing provides increased network efficiency. For example, in Spanning Tree networks with AR, the remote bridge will route traffic over serial connections held in Spanning Tree standby mode, optimizing the use of all available bandwidth.

Multilink allows a single station to transmit over the full bandwidth of two serial lines. Data is interleaved across the two lines on a packet-by-packet basis, doubling the throughput capacity available to the user. This reduces delays due to line congestion and ensures full utilization of available bandwidth.

Triangulation enables a single Model 3356 with two serial interfaces to route traffic between two different remote LANs, without generating any load on the local LAN. The advantage of triangulation is that a network connection between two remote sites can be created through a central point without increasing the local traffic on the central LAN.

In addition, the auto configuration feature allows the bridge to configure itself automatically upon installation. The bridge senses line speed and configuration directly from the serial line and automatically configures transmission speeds and buffer sizes.

The LattisNet Model 3356 Ethernet Remote Bridge, available now through SynOptics' direct sales force and value-added resellers, is priced between $11,800 and $14,600 depending on serial lines used.

SynOptics Communications Inc. designs, manufactures and markets local area networking products based on its Network Utility Architecture, a value-added product strategy that incorporates network connectivity, internetworking and network management solutions into an integrated networking system.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Landmark Graphics Corp. Tuesday announced the availability of SyntheSeis, a productivity tool for seismic interpreters and the company's second product designed under the OpenWorks software framework.

In the search for oil and gas deposits, seismic interpreters often create a synthetic seismogram -- an artificial, computer generated model of the subsurface -- based on actual measurements from a nearby well.

The ''synthetic'' is then compared to the actual seismic data to verify accuracy of the data itself. The creation of a synthetic is a reiterative process; typically completed on a system other than an interpretation workstation. Thus, the process of reformatting the synthetic for use on a different system and making changes to it are tedious and time consuming tasks sometimes offsetting the value of the technique.

Designed under the OpenWorks software framework, SyntheSeis enables

interpreters to efficiently access and itegrate well information from a common database shared by the company's seismic and OpenWorks applications. Synthetic seismograms can be generated and modified interactively during the interpretation process or as new data becomes available. The ability to create and display them on one system will allow interpreters to use synthetics on all interpretaion projects when well data is available.

''The use of synthetic seismograms is a means of linking geophysics and geology to obtain a more accurate picture of the subsurface. However, the value of this technique is often sacrificed due to the difficulty and time necessary to complete the process,'' says Gene Ennis, Landmark president and chief executive officer.

Landmark is the leading supplier of computer-aided exploration (CAEX) technology with systems installed in over 27 countries. The company's user base encompasses 18 of the 20 largest multi-national oil companies, national oil companies, large independents, and young exploration and production companies. -0- OpenWorks is a registered trademark of Landmark Graphics Corp. SyntheSeis and Voyager are trademarks of Landmark Graphics Corp.

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EMERYVILLE, CA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Cetus Corp. (NASDAQ:CTUS) reported a net loss of $61,513,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, compared to a net loss of $49,911,000 for fiscal 1989.

The increased loss was due principally to spending increases associated with establishing the company's marketing and manufacturing infrastructure to support anticipated sales of Proleukin interleukin-2 (IL-2), and a significant decrease in net interest income.

''We are disappointed that the FDA Biological Response Modifiers Advisory Committee did not recommend approval of Proleukin during the drug's first hearing on Monday, July 30,'' said Robert A. Fildes, president and chief executive officer.

''The committee's request for us to meet with the FDA and resolve various issues regarding the Proleukin filing will result in a delay in the review of the product for the U.S. market. It is not possible to estimate the length of the delay until we are able to meet with the agency, but we are working with FDA officials to get the meeting scheduled as soon as possible.''

Costs and expenses increased significantly over the previous year. ''We expect to make adjustments in our spending to reflect the delay now anticipated in the regulatory review of Proleukin in the United States, and intend to implement such actions after we determine the probable extent of that delay,'' Fildes said.

Total revenues for the quarter and the fiscal year increased by 75 percent and 54 percent compared with the like periods in the prior year. These increases were due primarily to initial product sales of Proleukin in Europe and improved product sales in the company's research instrumentation and generic chemotherapeutics joint ventures.

Revenues earned by the company's unconsolidated joint ventures have increased due primarily to improved sales of the DNA Thermal Cycler instrument and related reagents by Perkin-Elmer Cetus Instruments, and sales of doxorubicin, a generic chemotherapeutic, by Cetus-Ben Venue Therapeutics.

Costs and expenses of these ventures increased as a result of the expanded sales and product development activities. Improved venture profitability resulted in the increased income allocated to the company's venture partners.

Net interest income declined from period to period in response to a lower average portfolio of cash and marketable securities and a decrease in capitalized interest expense.

The company's cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities at June 30 were in excess of $155,300,000.

Cetus Corp. is a leading biotechnology company primarily engaged in the development, manufacturing and marketing of pharmaceutical products to treat cancers and serious infectious diseases. The company also is developing commercial applications of its GeneAmp polymerase chain reaction technology. Founded in 1971, Cetus is based in Emeryville and also operates EuroCetus in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

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MARLBORO, MASS. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Stratus Computer Inc. (NYSE:SRA) and Perception Technology Corp. (Canton, Mass.), Tuesday announced an agreement to market Stratus XA 2000 Continuous Processing Systems with Perception's voice processing systems through joint marketing and sales

support programs.

The joint marketing program is aimed at those telecommunications suppliers and corporate network users who can use the Perception-Stratus solution for a variety of voice-based applications in the telecommunications, financial services and retail markets. Applications include telemarketing, talking telephone directories, telephone banking, order processing, and 800-number services.

Prior to the marketing agreement, Perception and Stratus had installed Perception's advanced voice systems and Stratus' fault-tolerant online transaction processing (OLTP) computers together at several customer sites.

For example, the Atlanta-based service bureau, United States Advanced Network Inc. (USAN) runs the Perception-Stratus solution to provide voice-response services to telecommunications firms.

In addition, JBS Associates in Ringwood, N.J., uses the Perception-Stratus system to provide online check guarantee and verification services to retailers and banks.

''This relationship will afford Perception an opportunity to penetrate the many market segments that we have been unable to reach through our direct sales force,'' said Raymond Phillips, Perception's manager of reseller programs. ''The strength and breadth of Stratus' sales force coupled with its recognized technology, provides Perception with a significant advantage in this marketplace.''

Based in Canton, Mass., Perception Technology designs, manufactures and markets voice processing solutions to a broad spectrum of industries and for a wide variety of applications.

Stratus Computer Inc. is a leading supplier of fault-tolerant systems for critical online applications, such as online transaction processing and online data communication and telecommunication applications.

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DALLAS (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - RasterOps Corp. (NASDAQ:ROPS), a leader in color display technology for Sun, Macintosh and IBM platforms, Tuesday introduced the first high-resolution, 24-bit live video-in-a-window

capability for the Sun Microsystems SPARCstation line of workstations.

The PIP (Picture-in-Picture) Video Option is a card installed directly onto the SPARC Card TC (True Color) product, RasterOps' recently released 24-bit color SBus display card. The two products together provide users with the ability to work with more than 16.8 million colors simultaneously to produce photographic quality images, as well as importing and capturing live video images.

This capability is ideal for applications such as desktop publishing, color pre-press, image processing, multimedia and interactive training. True Color is especially crucial in applications where the computer-generated image must be of high or photographic quality.

The SPARC Card TC provides two frame buffers on a single card -- a 24-bit and 1-bit buffer. The 24-bit buffer also can be used as a fully functional 8-bit buffer to run dedicated 8-bit software.

Live television and video can be integrated directly onto the screen with the PIP Video Option, providing a sizable live video window that can be placed anywhere on the screen.

The video window acts as a standard Sun window from any application. Video can be run simultaneously with other applications (e.g., GIS packages, graphic design, layout, spreadsheet, etc.) providing users with a dynamic information input source.

The SPARC Card TC is a double-size SBus card which plugs into two of the SPARCstation SBus slots. It supports Sun's 16-inch and 19-inch monitors, as well as RasterOps' 19-inch Trinitron monitors. Because these monitors display 1152-by-900 pixels, the SPARC Card TC can show 1,036,800 different colors at a time.

The SPARC Card TC PIP Video Option is a daughter board and occupies no additional slots. It supports inputs of NTSC and PAL signals in composite, S-Video and RGB/Sync formats. Typical input devices would be TVs, VCRs, laserdiscs and video cameras.

Suggested retail price for the RasterOps SPARC Card TC is $4,995. The RasterOps SPARC Card TC PIP Option has a suggested retail price of $1,995. Both products are now available.

RasterOps Corp., with headquarters in Santa Clara, Calif., designs, manufactures and markets photorealistic color-imaging products primarily for the graphic arts, publishing and related industries. RasterOps is the only company that provides 24-bit color display products with live video-in-a-window capability for multiple manufacturers' platforms, including its own line of high-resolution monitors.

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PICKERINGTON, OH (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Physicians Insurance Company of Ohio (PICO) recorded consolidated net income of $690,000, or 22 cent per share, for the second quarter of the year, up from $584,000, or 19 cents per share, a year ago.

For the six months ended June 30, the company's consolidated net income was $1.3 million, or 43 cents per share, up from $1 million, or 34 cents per share, for the same period last year.

The company's results include an extraordinary credit from utilization of a net operating loss carryforward; this tax benefit was $338,000, or 11 cents per share, for the first half of 1990, compared to $318,000, or 10 cents per share, a year ago. For the second quarter, the tax benefit was 7 cents, compared to 6 cents during the same period last year.

Consolidated revenues for the Pickerington-based insurer were $33.2 million for the six-month period, up slightly over the previous year. These revenues include premium income earned, net investment income, and income from non-insurance operations.

According to Robert L. Dion, president and chief executive officer, operating results from medical professional liability nearly doubled in the second quarter of 1990 to $955,000, up from $484,000 for the same period a year ago. For the first half, operating income from medical professional liability increased to $1.63 million from $1.25 million a year ago.

Dion said the company's emphasis upon operating efficiencies and its focus on profitable market segments have contributed to the company's stronger results. Total operating expenses in the first half of the year were $8.2 million, down more than 14 percent from the comparable period in 1989.

PICO and subsidiaries reported total net premiums written of $19.5 million for the first half of the year, up nearly 9 percent from $17.9 million in the comparable period the previous year.

Premium income earned by American Physicians Life Insurance Co. (APL), a PICO subsidiary, rose substantially during the second quarter to $978,000,

compared with $215,000 for the same period a year ago. APL provides life and health insurance and annuities to select markets, and has increased its efforts in the marketing of major medical plans.

Investment income, net of expenses, increased during the first half, from $7.6 million in 1989 to $8 million in 1990.

Net income from continuing operations increased 23 percent in the second quarter, and by 38 percent in the first half over comparable periods one year ago. PICO has recorded nine consecutive profitable quarters from continuing operations.

The company's reserves for unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses, primarily on medical professional liability claims, were $132.1 million at mid-year, compared with $135.5 million at the close of 1989.

Shareholders' equity at June 30 was $28.5 million, or $9.24 per share, compared with $26.1 million, or $8.49 per share at the end of 1989. The company's total consolidated assets at June 30 were $223.8 million.

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NEWARK, N.J. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The National Management Association (NMA) today announced the selection of Dr. P. Roy Vagelos, chairman, president and CEO of Merck & Co., Inc., as 1990 American Manager of the Year.

The award is presented annually by thirty national cosponsoring organizations.

Representing one of the nation's highest management distinctions, the award honors an ''executive whose leadership, integrity and management skills have profoundly, visibly and favorably influenced the outstanding performance of a key element of American business, industry or governmental activity such as to set the person apart among contemporaries.''

The presentation was made today during a news conference held at the Newark International Airport Marriott Hotel.

Dr. Vagelos joins President Ronald Reagan and other past recipients of the award: Donald E. Peterson, chairman and CEO, Ford Motor Company; Kenneth H. Olsen, president, Digital Equipment Corp.; Stanley C. Gault chairman and CEO, Rubbermaid Inc.; Roger B. Smith, chairman and CEO,

General Motors Corp.; and J. W. Marriott, Jr., president and CEO, Marriott Corp.

Dr. Vagelos was elected president and chief executive officer of Merck in July 1985 and chairman of the Board of Directors in April 1986. He was previously executive vice president of the worldwide health products company and before that, president of its Merck Sharp & Dohme Research Laboratories division, which he joined in 1975.

In nominating Dr. Vagelos for the award, NMA President Ronald E. Leigh said, ''Under Dr. Vagelos' leadership, Merck has become synonymous with outstanding levels of competence, dedication and product innovation -- a direct reflection of the leadership of its chairman.''

Merck's discovery, development and subsequent donation of supplies of Ivermectin -- a medicine that treats a disease known as ''river blindness '' which affects millions of people in Africa and Central and South America -- was highlighted during the award presentation.

Merck & Co. Inc., the world's largest pharmaceutical company, discovers, develops, produces and markets human and animal health products and specialty chemicals. The company has over 34,500 employees, 17 research centers and manufacturing facilities in 18 countries.

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INDIANA, PA. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Biocontrol Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:BICO), recently concluded a restructuring of its long-term debt by selling its building and land in Indiana, Pa., to a consortium of investors for $800,000.

The company will lease back the property from the investor partnership.

David L. Purdy, president of the company, said proceeds from the sale would be used by Biocontrol Technology to pay off present mortgages and satisfy its financial obligations with holders of maturing debentures.

The remainder of the funds, he said, will be used to finance development of the company's new non-invasive glucose sensor, a device designed to measure glucose in the blood of diabetic patients without pricking the finger for a blood sample and to provide working capital for Biocontrol.

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SANTA ANA, CA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsemi Corp. (NASDAQ:MSCC) Tuesday reported improved fiscal-year 1990 third-quarter results.

Revenues for the third quarter increased 5 percent over the prior quarter of fiscal-year 1990 to $23,576,000 and net earnings increased to $377,000 in the third quarter from $214,000 in the second quarter, which included a non-recurring gain of $200,000.

Compared with the prior fiscal year, revenues for the third quarter of this fiscal year decreased 11 percent from $26,426,000 to $23,576,000. The prior-year third quarter included $3,904,000 in revenues from businesses either disposed of or planned for disposition.

Net earnings improved from the year-earlier quarterly loss of $707,000 to net earnings of $377,000 for the current quarter. Third-quarter fiscal-year 1990 per-share earnings improved to 5 cents from the 9-cents-per-share loss for the year-earlier quarter.

Revenues for the first nine months of fiscal-year 1990 decreased 17 percent to $65,358,000 from the $78,318,000 for the first nine months of fiscal-year 1989. The prior-year nine-month period included $13,477,000 in revenues from businesses either disposed of or planned for disposition.

Net loss for the first nine months of fiscal-year 1990 is $39,000, compared with net earnings of $1,050,000 for the corresponding prior-year period. Per-share earnings decreased from 14 cents for the first nine months of fiscal-year 1989 to a per-share loss of 1 cent for the first nine months of fiscal-year 1990.

It should be noted that net earnings and earnings per share in the first nine months of fiscal-year 1989 included $570,000, or 8 cents per share, from the re-purchase of the company's convertible debentures at less than face value.

The third-quarter earnings, as well as for the first nine months, continue to be affected by the conditions experienced in the first two quarters of this fiscal year but to a lesser degree. Although improving, operating income in the Semiconductor group continues to be lower than prior years and the company continues to experience operating losses within the Microelectronics Assemblies and Testing group.

The decrease in operating income in the Semiconductor group is due to shifts in products-sales mix to products which require considerably more high-reliability screening as well as more-complex packaging techniques. This has resulted in stretch outs and delays of shipments.

As the company has increased its capacity in several key areas this situation has continued to improve. The net losses in the Microelectronics Assemblies and Testing group, which have subsided somewhat in recent months due to cost-control measures and improved marketing, resulted from lower demand for these products and strong competitive pressures on pricing.

Phil Frey Jr., president, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, ''We are pleased to report sequential improvement in quarterly operating income and we continue to examine new methods and strategies to improve our performance.''

Sales-order backlog was $44.1 million at July 1, 1990, a 15-percent decrease from the backlog of $52 million a year earlier and 4 percent less than the backlog of $45.8 million at the beginning of the quarter. The prior-year backlog included $6,050,000 from businesses either disposed of or planned for disposition.

Frey commented further: ''Although we continue to see our competitors reporting lower sales in the military and related markets, as well as more price competition and despite the modest drop in backlog, we remain confident that our reputation for providing the highest-quality power conditioning and related products and services remains solid and should provide the continuing foundation for our rebuilding program.''

Microsemi is a leading supplier of high-reliability discrete semiconductors, microelectronic hybrid and surface-mount assemblies and hi-rel screening and testing services for the electronics, computer, telecommunications, defense/aerospace and medical markets.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix-based America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL/PSE:AWA) reported increased traffic of 979.2 million revenue passenger miles, or 44.2 percent over July 1989s level of 679.1 million.

Available seat miles for the month rose 37.4 percent over last year to 1.6 billion producing a load factor of 61.2 percent. The carrier's July 1990

load factor was 2.9 points higher than July 1989.

Peter Otradovec, vice president of planning, said, ''We continue to experience a positive trend in our traffic growth. While year-to-date available seat miles have increased approximately 32 percent over last year, revenue passenger miles have more than kept pace at nearly 43 percent growth.''

He continued, ''Advanced bookings remain strong and we are optimistic that our year-end traffic results will reflect tremendous development and the maturation of America West's route system.''

America West currently operates a modern, fuel efficient all-Boeing fleet of 94 aircraft including 747s, 757s, 737s and de Havilland Dash 8s. The airline employs nearly 13,000 people in its 60 city route network which stretches from coast-to-coast and across the Pacific to Honolulu.

The following is a summary of America West's July and year-to-date traffic for 1990 and 1989: -0- T

	JULY 1990	JULY 1989	PERCENT CHANGE
Passengers enplaned	1,344,617	1,178,337	14.1
Revenue passenger miles (000)	979,219	679,117	44.2
Available seat miles (000)	1,599,781	1,164,550	37.4
Load factor (percent)	61.2	58.3	2.9 pts.

	YEAR-TO-DATE 1990	YEAR-TO-DATE 1989	PERCENT CHANGE
Passengers enplaned	8,979,084	7,547,625	19.0
Revenue passenger miles (000)	6,273,294	4,389,979	42.9
Available seat miles (000)	10,117,366	7,645,443	32.3
Load factor (percent)	62.0	57.4	4.6 pts.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Landmark Graphics Corp. Tuesday announced it has begun customer shipments of several new enhancements to its seismic interpretation software.

Landmark's highly successful ZAP! Zoned Auto Picker software has been replaced by a new product, Turbo ZAP! a fully interactive and significantly faster version.

In addition, the company is now shipping the 20th release since 1984 of its industry leading seismic interpretation software.

When introduced in 1989 ZAP! Zoned Auto Picker provided the unique ability to accurately and automatically pick horizons across an entire 3D survey. Before ZAP!, this crucial step in the interpretation process could take from weeks to months to accomplish.

With ZAP!, the productivity improvements realized by users reduced the time required to hours. Landmark's new Turbo ZAP!, with speed improvmements of 50-60x, makes horizon picking truly interactive and makes dramatic breakthroughs by reducing the time required to autopick entire 3D data sets to minutes.

It tracks at speeds up to 150,000 traces per minute. Also, a new tracking mode has been added specifically designed for picking horizons in highly complex faulted areas.

''The interactive capabilities of Turbo ZAP! provide users with results while ideas are still fresh. The ability to instantly test new ideas and reinvest time savings into deeper analysis or new projects offers unique productivity advantages for our customers,'' stated C.E. Ennis, Landmark's president and chief executive officer.

Release 20 of Landmark's seismic interpretation software dramatically increases 3D interpretation capabilities. New map analysis tools allow users to highlight subtle features such as faults and reefs which may not be apparent on structure maps.

Specific new features include: azimuth maps which show direction of dip relative to a reference location; difference maps which calculate the amount of displacement along a fault or mistie in the inline or crossline direction; dip maps which calculate true dip; and edge detection maps which exaggerate any subtle feature for easier identification.

Landmark is the established leader in CAEX technology, with more than 550 systems installed worldwide. Landmark's user base encompasses 18 of the 20 largest multinational oil companies, large independents, and young exploration and production companies. -0- ZAP! and Turbo ZAP! are trademarks of Landmark Graphics Corp.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlas Venture Tuesday announced

the closing of a $1.25 million venture capital investment in Boston & Pacific Co. Inc.

Other investors in this financing are SEAVI, a leading Southeast Asian venture capital fund affiliated with Advent International and, Ssang Yong Cement Ltd., a major Singapore-based cement producer. Boston & Pacific--headquartered in Boston--designs, manufactures, and distributes disposable medical products for international markets. This product line sold under the brand name 4 Sure, includes urological products such as a comprehensive range of catheters and drainage bags, as well as examination and surgical gloves, gauze dressings and other disposable products.

Boston & Pacific has operating subsidiaries in Penang, Malaysia; Australia--responsible for distribution in Australia and New Zealand; and Miami, Fla.--responsible for distribution to Latin America and the Caribbean. European and North American markets are supported from the Boston headquarters.

This is Boston & Pacific's first venture capital financing. The company was formed in the summer of 1989 by former employees of the Kendall Co. led by Gio Oritz, who was previously responsible for Kendall's Far East operations. Oritz, CEO of the new company, decided to seek venture capital financing in order to permit the company to accelerate development of its international operations and product range: ''Boston & Pacific selected venture capital firms that could provide active support for Boston & Pacific's international strategy. Our three investors collectively have broad-based experience in the European, U.S., and Southeast Asian markets and can offer strong support for our products through their local offices and partners,'' he said.

Atlas Venture is an international venture capital group managing $100 million from offices in Boston, U.S.A.; Amsterdam, the Netherlands; and Munich, West Germany. The U.S. partnership specializes in investments in the healthcare and information technology industries.

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HORSHAM, PA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanta Corp. (NASDAQ: ADVN) announced Tuesday that its board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to an additional 200,000 shares of the company's common stock, bringing the company's total 1990 authorization of stock repurchases to 600,000 shares.

At the same time, the company's board of directors declared the third

quarter dividend, approving a 20 percent increase in the quarterly dividend from 2.5 cents to 3 cents per common share. The dividend will be payable to stockholders of record on Aug. 31, and will be paid Sept, 18.

Dennis Alter, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, ''We believe that our stock remains a very attractive investment for the company at current price levels. Our strong liquidity position and anticipated record earnings enable us to continue to take advantage of this opportunity. At the same time, we are increasing the dividend as a way of sharing the success of the company with our shareholders.''

The purchase of the additional 200,000 shares may be made from time to time, in the open market or negotiated transactions. The company currently anticipates that it may commence purchasing shares as soon as practicably possible.

In February 1990, Advanta's board had approved the purchase of 400,000 shares of the company's common stock. These purchases were recently completed.

Advanta Corp. is a financial services holding company that operates through its subsidiaries to market credit cards, home equity loans, equipment leases and deposit products to consumers nationwide. The company manages assets in excess of $2 billion at June 30, including more than $600 million of receivables serviced for investors.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Synbiotics Corp. (NASDAQ:SBIO), the developer of advanced biomedical technologies, Tuesday announced record revenues and decreased losses for their first fiscal year quarter, which ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the three months ended June 30 rose to $1,944,000 from $1,638,000 in the same period a year earlier. The company reduced losses by 31 percent in the June 30 quarter compared with the same quarter last year. Net losses declined to $981,000 (20 cents per share) from $1,324,000 (29 cents per share) a year ago.

These gains were made possible, according to Dr. Edward T. Maggio, Synbiotics' president and chief executive officer, by increased sales in the company's companion animal-products business and reduced-cost demands from internal research and development.

''Our core business of providing advanced medical products for companion animals is the principal contributor,'' Maggio said. ''Increased success in this area during the quarter was due to expanded marketing programs and particularly strong sales of VacSyn/FeLV, our first vaccine product.''

VacSyn/FeLV, a proprietary vaccine for feline leukemia, was introduced last year.

''Reduced research and development costs reflect the company's recent reorganization and strategic focusing,'' Maggio stated. ''Our research emphasis is now centered on near-term product opportunities in animal health.

''Other product areas will be explored through our subsidiary companies, which will be independently funded by partners and investors -- but in which Synbiotics will retain a major ownership position.''

''For example,'' Maggio continued, ''the company's wholly owned subsidiary UniSyn Fibertec, which produces cell-derived materials, on June 26 purchased all of the assets associated with the cell culture business of The Dow Chemical Company's CD Medical subsidiary.

Maggio said that UniSyn and another recently created subsidiary, ImmunoPharmaceutics, which was created to exploit products in the area of antibody-directed drug design and compound-screening techniques, are ultimately expected to make ''important contributions to the consolidated results of Synbiotics.''

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HOUSTON (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Chiles Offshore Corp. (AMEX:CHC), the Houston-based offshore drilling contractor, achieved increased revenues though experiencing a net loss for the second quarter of 1990.

This announcement was made today by William E. Chiles, president and chief executive officer of the company.

Drilling revenues for the three months ended on June 30 totaled $11,979,000, an increase of 36 percent from the preceding quarter. However increased depreciation and interest expenses associated with three mobile jackup units purchased by the company late in the first quarter resulted

in a net loss of $475,000, or 4 cents per share, for the second quarter.

On a year-to-date basis, the recent quarter's performance brought the company's drilling revenues to $20,778,000, while the company's net loss totaled $214,000, or 2 cents per share.

Utilization of the company's expanding fleet averaged 92.7 percent for the second quarter and 91.9 percent for the first six months of the year, Chiles reported.

''It was a gratifying quarter in light of our initial public offering and the enlargement of our fleet by more than 40 percent,'' said Chiles in making the announcement.

Chiles said that the company's initial public offering in May produced net proceeds to the company of $64,600,000. That capital is being held in short-term interest-bearing securities while the company considers investment opportunities that fit into its long-term growth strategy.

Chiles Offshore Corp., with offices in Houston and in Lafayette, La., is engaged in the drilling and workover of offshore oil and gas wells. The company works on a contract basis for major and independent oil and gas companies. In addition to operating its own fleet of 10 mobile offshore jackup units and the three bareboat charters mentioned above, the company manages a self-contained platform rig owned by Conoco Inc.

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LISLE, IL (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Molex Inc. (OTC:MOLX), an international electronic connector company, Tuesday reported record sales of $158.8 million for its fiscal fourth quarter, ending June 30, up 7.4 percent over last year's $147.9 million.

Sales were adversely affected in this quarter by the higher value of the U.S. dollar vs world currencies. This reduced sales by $1.6 million compared to a $5.5 million reduction for the same period last year.

Net quarterly earnings of $16.5 million were recorded, down from the company's year-ago fourth quarter report of $18.8 million. The strong U.S. dollar vs prior year exchange rates reduced earnings by $343,000, compared to a $208,000 reduction for the fourth quarter last year.

Earnings per share were 33 cents for the fourth quarter, compared to 38 cents for the same period last year. Last year's fourth quarter results

include 4 cents per share from the disposition of holdings in another firm. Earnings per share figures have been retroactively adjusted for the stock dividend issued to shareholders on July 25.

For the year, Molex sales were $594.4 million compared to $571.9 million last year, a gain of 3.9 percent. The strong U.S. dollar adversely affected the reported sales increase for the year by $14.9 million, compared to a year-ago increase of $683,000.

Earnings for the fiscal year were $62.1 million, a gain of 7.6 percent over last year's $57.7 million. The strong U.S. dollar reduced earnings for the year by $2 million, compared to an increase of $1 million over the previous year.

Earnings per share for the year were $1.24 compared to the previous year's earnings of $1.14 per share.

Molex's backlog on June 30 was a record high of $120.4 million, compared to $98.6 million for the same period last year, an increase of 22.1 percent.

A Fortune 500 company, Molex has 46 plants in 20 countries manufacturing connectors, electronic interconnect systems, ribbon cable, switches and application tooling. The 52-year-old company is based in Lisle and employs 6,700 worldwide.

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DALLAS (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Computer Systems announced Tuesday that the SABRE Travel Information Network will use AT&T networked computers in SABRE travel agencies and its administrative offices in Europe, Canada, the Caribbean, and the Pacific Rim.

The SABRE Travel Information Network, a division of American Airlines, is the marketing arm of the SABRE computerized reservation system.

The multi-million-dollar agreement calls for AT&T to provide SABRE travel agencies worldwide with the latest in technology to handle today's personal computer office functions, while also assuring compatibility with emerging software development in the future.

AT&T will provide its 6386/SX and 6386/25 WorkGroup Systems. The AT&T computer hardware platform will provide SABRE subscribers with products to better meet their growing office automation needs. SABRE is the first

computerized reservation system to offer 386 technology in the travel agency environment.

''The decision to use AT&T's personal computers was based on AT&T's ability to deliver outstanding technology and products,'' said David Collier, vice president-Europe, SABRE Travel Information Network.

The agreement with the SABRE Travel Information Network is in addition to a major US-domestic computer contract awarded to AT&T by American Airlines in June, 1989. Under the new international agreement, AT&T will provide personal computers to SABRE travel agencies in the United Kingdom, Germany France, Spain, Belgium and several other European nations, as well as in Canada and the Caribbean.

''This agreement represents another important milestone in AT&T's growing relationship with American Airlines,'' said Roger Dudley, AT&T Computer Systems Regional Sales Vice President and General Manager. ''This opportunity is important because we are able to demonstrate AT&T's global capabilities in the full range of customer service.

SABRE is the world's largest privately owned, real- time computer network. The computerized reservation system connects more than 200,000 computer terminals, ticket printers, boarding pass printers and other devices to American Airlines offices as well as more than 17,000 travel agencies worldwide.

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FAIRFIELD, CONN. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - General Electric Co. announced Tuesday that Frederick A. Shinners, 47, has been appointed vice president and general manager, GE Silicones, Waterford, N.Y.

He was previously president, GE Plastics Japan Ltd., Tokyo.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - In the quarter ended June 30, Harris & Harris Group Inc. (''H&H Group'' or the ''Company'') reported net income of $36,000 vs. $59,000 in the second quarter of 1989.

Revenues declined by 11 percent to $2,357,000 vs. $2,646,000 last year.

For the six months ended June 30, H&H Group reported net income of $141,000 or 2 cents per share vs. $355,000 or 4 cents per share last year. Revenues increased by six percent to $5,322,000 vs. $5,023,000 last year.

The decline in net income and revenues in the second quarter reflected the expected decline for the period in net income and revenues at the company's Harris & Harris of Kentucky insurance-brokerage subsidiary. As previously noted in the company's report to shareholders for the quarter ended March 31, 1990, dated May 7, 1990, ''Harris & Harris of Kentucky's results were aided in the first quarter by the timing of the receipt of a portion of its revenues, which will make its earnings and revenue comparisons in the second quarter more difficult.'' In the current quarter ending Sept. 30, revenue growth in the company's wholly owned operations, as well as in its 50 percent owned affiliate, Ag Services, is budgeted to resume.

The increase in revenues in the six months' period reflected continued strong growth by Capital Trust Co. and a near doubling of revenues by the company's smaller insurance-brokerage operation, Harris & Harris of Georgia.

The company's income from operations more than doubled in the first half, from $178,000 last year to $393,000 this year, reflecting the growth of Capital Trust and smaller losses by Harris & Harris of Georgia. The decline in net income in the first half of this year, to $141,000 from $355,000 last year, reflected the inclusion in last year's first half of $441,000 in net gain on investments (vs. $19,000 this year) and $140,000 in extraordinary items (vs. $7,000 this year).

Revenues generated by the parent corporate entity (as opposed to those of the operating subsidiaries) declined sharply in both the second quarter (to $67,000 from $243,000 last year) and the first half (to $198,000 from $383,000 last year). This decline reflects decreased interest income, owing to the company's $2 million cash repurchase of shares on June 19, 1989 and the company's $3.3 million cash investment in Ag Services of America Inc. on April 12, 1990.

Pre-tax income in the three months' and six months' periods ended June 30, was boosted by $200,000, representing the company's equity interest in the earnings of Ag Services. This figure equals 50 percent of Ag Service's net income in the two months ended May 31 (after amortization). Ag

Services reports its results on a Feb. 28 fiscal year, and more than one hundred percent of its net income is realized in the first six months ended Aug. 31 or each fiscal year.

H&H Group is using the equity method of accounting for Ag Services and not consolidating the results of Ag Services in its own results, which means that Ag Services revenues are not included in H&H Group's revenues, and only 50 percent of Ag Service's after-tax earnings (after amortization) are included in H&H Group's pre-tax earnings. For accounting purposes, H&H Group records income taxes against its share of Ag Service's net income, even though such taxes would be actually payable only upon sale by H&H Group at a profit of shares of Ag Services.

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MANHASSET, NY (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Martinair Holland is offering reduced fares to Amsterdam that afford travelers savings of almost 25 percent off normal, low fares. The airline's "End of Summer" fares are available from New York, Newark, Detroit, and Minneapolis/St. Paul.

From Newark and JFK, travelers can fly non-stop to Amsterdam for $224 each way, a savings of $85 off the regular air fare. This special, low fare is valid on departures from August 19 with the purchase of roundtrip travel.

A $249 one way fare is obtainable with the purchace of a round trip ticket from Detroit and Minneapolis through September 6. The fare is $65 less than the normal, half roundtrip fare from Detroit and $80 lower than the comparable Minneapolis fare. Travelers departing from these cities also receive an extra bonus: a free Ford Fiesta, or equivalent Group A rental car, with unlimited mileage for one week.

The car rental offer is valid only on departures August 16 and 30, and September 6, 1990. Contact Martinair for information on conditions and restrictions.

Headquartered in the Netherlands, Martinair Holland operates passenger and freight service to Amsterdam Schiphol Airport from 12 North American gateways: Baltimore/Washington, Detroit, Los Angeles, Miami, Minneapolis, Newark, New York, San Francisco, Seattle, Tampa, Toronto and Puerta Plata in the Dominican Republic. Its toll-free reservation number is 800-FON-HOLLAND.

CONTACT: Martinair Holland, Manhasset, Janice Holden, (516) 365-6146 by Torrance & Associates Inc., New York, Richard Jones, (212) 979-0980.

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CHICAGO, IL (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Aon Corp. Tuesday announced financial results for the second quarter and the first half of 1990. Patrick G. Ryan, president and chief executive officer, said, ''Second quarter net income was 98 cents per share, an increase of 4.3 percent from last year's 94 cents. Income excluding realized investment gains was 97 cents per share in the quarter compared with 93 cents per share in last year's second quarter.''

Highlights of the second quarter and first half follow:

(Thousands except per share)	Second Quarter 1990 Amount	% Change from 1989	First Half 1990 Amount	% Change from 1989
Premiums and policy fees	$373,612	7.0%	$734,406	4.9%
Net investment income	159,076	10.3	312,113	9.5
Realized investment gains	1,302	18.7	2,574	(30.7)
Brokerage commissions, fees, and other	102,744	33.9	208,381	32.7
Total revenue earned	636,734	11.4	1,257,474	9.7
Income before tax	88,927	7.6	169,057	8.5
Net Income	65,327	6.2	124,257	7.8
Per share	.98	4.3	1.87	6.3
Income excluding realized investment gains - net of tax	64,425	6.1	122,383	8.8
Per share	.97	4.3	1.85	7.6

CONTACT: Aon Corp., Chicago
Joan Steel, 312/701-3016

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HERNDON, VA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - EDS has signed a dual award contract with the U.S. Army Information Systems Selection and Acquisition Agency for technical support services to the Army's Information Systems Software Center (ISSC) at Fort Belvoir, Va. Maximum life cycle value is approximately $116 million.

The contract will run for five years in one-year increments and will provide life cycle management services of Standard Army Management Information Systems (STAMIS). The indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity contract will include cost plus fixed fee, cost plus award fee and firm fixed price task orders for a wide range of software engineering services.

Under the contract, EDS will support ISSC by providing system development, conversion and maintenance for various STAMIS. Assigned systems under the contract include financial, payroll, personnel and force development among others.

Work will be performed at Fort Belvoir, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., the Army MELPAR building in Falls Church, Va. and EDS' Eastern Regional Headquarters in Herndon, Va.

''This is EDS' first major systems engineering services contract with the Army,'' said Robert McCashin, Group Executive for EDS' Federal Government business. ''It is in keeping with our strategy of expanding our professional services work with the government.''

''This contract will enable EDS to assist the Army during a critical period of transition and consolidation,'' said George Sibley, president of EDS' Military Systems Division. ''The contract will improve the ability of the existing STAMIS to respond to functional user need and provide more timely and accurate information to all levels of the Army.''

EDS has operations in 27 countries and is the leader in providing information technology services to customers around the world. Stock reflecting EDS' performance is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

CONTACT: EDS, Herndon
Randy Dove, 703/742-1511

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#90219b0699 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

HOUSTON (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Sanifill Inc. (AMEX:FIL) announced quarterly results Tuesday for its second quarter of fiscal 1990.

Sanifill Inc., headquartered in Houston, is an environmental services company specializing in nonhazardous waste disposal.

Sanifill Inc.
Financial Highlights
(000's omitted)

	3 Months Ended June 30		6 Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$ 7,597	$ 5,305	$ 13,676	$ 10,710
Net income	$ 1,086	$ 606	$ 1,770	$ 1,042
Earnings per share	$ .14	$ .08	$ .24	$ .14

CONTACT: Sanifill Inc., Houston
Al Warrington or John Sanders, 713/865-9800

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#90219b0702 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

HOUSTON (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Enex Resources Corp. (NASDAQ:ENEX) announced Tuesday that its board of directors has approved the purchase of up to 150,000 shares of the company's common stock.

A portion of the shares will be acquired through a cash tender offer to holders of 99 or fewer shares at $4 per share. The company currently has approximately 1.5 million shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Enex Resources Corp., Houston
Robert E. Densford, 713/358-8401

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#90219b0709 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

WACO, TX (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Corp. (NASDAQ:ASKC) (''ASK'') and the Sheet Metal Workers' National Pension Fund (''NPF') announced pursuant to a meeting of the principals that negotiations concerning the letter of intent previously announced July 10 are proceeding on schedule and that an agreement in principle is expected to be reached within the near future for an infusion of $20 million by NPF and another institution.

As earlier reported, the capital infusion is to be structured as part debt and part equity. The funds are to be used primarily for acquisition of certain technology, equipment and equity of another company and for general corporate purposes.

The contemplated transaction will be subject to the approval of the ASK board of directors, the board of trustees of the National Pension Fund and the finalization of certain other items and conditions.

CONTACT: ASK Corp., Waco
Brian D. Pardo, 817/776-3860
or
Sheet Metal Workers' National Pension Fund, Washington
Edward J. Carlough, 202/662-0838.

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#90219b0714 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Modern Controls Inc. (MOCON) has acquired the technology, known as the Model 100 Film Thickness Gauge, from Strato-Tec Inc. The Model 100 is a portable instrument which measures the

thickness of plastic films.

"The Company is investigating incorporation of this technology into its exisiting Profiler line of gauging instruments," said Chairman, William N. Mayer. "The acquisition of this product will help the Company meet its present goals of increasing earnings at an average rate of 20 percent over a five year period."

MOCON is a leading developer, manufacturer and marketer of high technology instrumentation designed to test packages and packaging materials for permeation of gases and water vapor. The company also has a new line of thickness gauging systems used to measure plastics and coatings on and off the production line.

MOCON testing instrumentation is used in quality control and research laboratories in the food and pharmaceutical industries, to test plastic packaging materials for cost effective protection against loss of color, flavor, fragrance, texture, potency, and freshness.

The company also manufactures weighing and sorting instrumentation that helps the pharmaceutical industry maintain the rigid weight tolerances needed in producing drugs in capsule and tablet form.

MOCON's shares are traded over-the-counter and are listed in the NASDAQ National Market System. The company's electronic NASDAQ trading symbol is MOCO.

CONTACT: MOCON, Minneapolis, Ron Meyer, (612) 560-2900.

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#90219b0715 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

DALLAS (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Republic Health Corp. Tuesday announced that its common stock has been approved for inclusion in the NASDAQ National Market System (NASDAQ/NMS).

The company's shares will commence trading on NASDAQ/NMS today under the symbol ''REPH.''

Republic Health owns or leases and operates 14 general acute care hospitals with 3,166 licensed beds.

The company also owns and operates two psychiatric and chemical dependency hospitals with 170 licensed beds. The facilities operated by the company are located in 19 states.

CONTACT: Republic Health Corp., Dallas
Craig R. Clark, 214/851-3104

by
The Sawyer/Miller Group, New York
Lynn Guggenheimer, 212/303-2520

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#90219b0719 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire
JACKSONVILLE, FL (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Koger Properties Inc. (NYSE:KOG) announced Tuesday that its board of directors authorized the Company to begin a substantial program of acquisition of suburban office buildings offered for sale by banks and other financial institutions.

Koger, the leading developer and manager of suburban office parks, currently operates 36 office parks, containing 337 buildings, in cities in the Southeast and Southwest. Its acquisitions would not be limited to these regions.

In other action at its meeting Tuesday, the board approved a 70 cents per share quarterly distribution, payable Oct. 23, to shareholders of record Sept. 28.

CONTACT: Koger Properties Inc., Jacksonville
James L. Wilkey, 904/396-4811

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#90219b0720 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire
PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Fleer Corp. (NASDAQ:FLER) Tuesday reported record sales and earnings for the period ended June 30.

Net sales for the second quarter increased 69 percent to $40,359,000, compared to $23,818,000 for the same period last year. Net income for the quarter increased 132 percent to $7,068,000, or 91 cents per share, compared to the prior year's pro forma quarterly results of $3,050,000, or 42 cents per share.

Net sales for the first half increased 82 percent to $80,551,000 from $44,368,000 for the same period last year. Net income for the first half increased 192 percent to $13,472,000, or $1.78 per share, compared to pro forma net income of $4,621,000, or 63 cents per share.

Fleer became a public company in June, 1990 by issuing 1,955,000 shares of common stock. As a result, the company has 9,456,103 shares of common stock outstanding on a fully diluted basis.

Fleer is a leading marketer of sports picture cards (baseball, basketball and football) and confectionery products, including Dubble Bubble gum products.

CONTACT: Edelman Worldwide, New York
Robert Hubbell or Ellie Freedman, 212/704-8255/8103

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#90219b0722 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

BALA CYNWYD, PA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Global Entertainment Ltd. (OTC) announced Tuesday that it has signed an agreement with Synchronal Marketing Inc. for the production of up to eight ''Fun Time Shopper'' programs per year over the next five years.

Under the terms of the agreement in principle, Synchronal will fund a portion of the production costs of the ''Fun Time Shopper'' programs that it and Global Entertainment mutually agree to produce and market. In exchange, Sychronal has the exclusive worldwide rights to market and exploit the ''Fun Time Shopper'' programs that the companies jointly produce.

Global Entertainment will receive a portion of the selling price of any product or service sold as a result of a ''Fun Time Shopper'' program produced by Synchronal and Global Entertainment.

Synchronal sells personal-care, kitchen and home, motivational and other consumer products through 30-minute and 60-minute television commercials (''infomercials''), a technique that Synchronal pioneered. Synchronal's sales for its last fiscal year (1990) exceeded $180 million, which represented an 85-percent increase over 1989 sales.

Global Entertainment's subsidiary, Corsa Ltd., has developed the 30-minute infomercial, the ''Fun Time Shopper,'' as a vehicle for marketing APLON hair remover and other products directly to television viewers. The ''Fun Time Shopper'' is filmed before an audience and relays commerical information in an entertainment format.

Global Entertainment previously announced on Aug. 2 that it had signed a five-year agreement in principle with Synchronal for the marketing of APLON hair remover.

Global Entertainment licenses entertainment properties and television shows, produces and sells television shows, sells products on television directly to the consumer, produces and sells prerecorded videotape, and sells other related entertainment products.

Global conducts its business through three operating subsidiaries: (1) International Artists Inc.; (2) Clebrity Fundraisers Inc.; and (3) Corsa Ltd.

CONTACT: Global Entertainment Ltd., Bala Cynwyd
Christine M. Sullivan, 215/667-1004.

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FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Clifton H. Morris Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of URCARCO Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CARS) announced net income for the year ended June 30, 1990, of $15.8 million or 68 cents per share as compared to $2.9 million or 20 cents per share for the year ended June 30, 1989.

Earnings per share increased 240 percent. Sales for the year increased 292 percent from $38.4 million to $150.4 million.

For the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, sales were $51.0 million vs. $20.3 million, an increase of 151 percent over the same period in 1989.

Net income for the quarter was $5.7 million, as compared with $2.1 million for the fourth quarter last year, up 180 percent. Earnings per share for the quarter were 21 cents, as compared with 12 cents for the same period last year, a 75 percent increase.

Morris also noted that results for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990 increased as compared to the third quarter 1990. Sales were up 16 percent over the third quarter figure of $43.9 million. Net income increased 19 percent over the previous quarter's $4.8 million and earnings per share were up 17 percent from the third quarter's 18 cents.

URCARCO sold 18,692 cars during the year, as compared with 6,500 units the previous year, Morris added, and the company is now operating 17 retail facilities.

URCARCO Inc. operates a chain of ''we finance'' used car retail lots in Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston and Austin, Texas, selling quality used cars and light trucks and typically financing customer purchases.

CONTACT: URCARCO Inc., Fort Worth
Henry T. Stanley, 817/882-7008
Robyn Trent, 817/882-7018

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#90219b0727 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

DALLAS (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Mars Microsystems, a new U.S. high tech start-up, and Tatung Co., the largest Taiwanese SPARC licensee, Tuesday introduced the Mariner 4i, the first product that combines SPARC and PC technology in one workstation.

The product is significant because it enables both UNIX and DOS applications software to run on the same platform with full functionality.

With a base price of $5,995, the Mariner 4i provides a low-cost platform that bridges SPARC workstations and MS-DOS computers. This makes it potentially appealing to both corporate and scientific/engineering users. Because it is based on an ISA (PC/AT) architecture, users can configure their workstation at lower costs than any other Sun compatible or SPARC-based system.

A Mariner 4i equipped with a 19-inch color monitor and 207 MB hard drive costs $8,995.00. A similarly configured SPARCstation 1+ costs $15,000.00 While the SPARCstation offers the ability to run some DOS applications, compatibility is achieved by emulating a PC in software, providing greatly diminished performance.

The Mariner's 4i optional DOS compatibility adds a genuine 386 processor and VGA to the base SPARC system, enabling it to provide optimum performance in either environment.

With its optional DOS module, the Mariner 4i is the first SPARC compatible UNIX workstation to provide true, full-featured PC capability. The plug-in module lets users replace their PCs with a 386 processor with cache, VGA display and memory, independent of the SPARC/UNIX system.

The Mariner 4i runs SPARC/OS 1.0, a derivative of SunOS, Sun's version of the UNIX operating system, making it fully compatible with the 2,100+ hardware and software solutions available for SPARC workstations.

The Mariner 4i's low cost PC compatibility enables high-end PC users to upgrade to the power of a high performance SPARC workstation while preserving their investment in PC applications and peripherals. This approach contrasts sharply with Sun's more limited DOS capability. Sun SPARCstations offer optional PC/XT class emulation in software, which runs PC applications at lower performance and does not allow users to take advantage of low-cost, proven PC peripherals.

Headquartered in Mars, Pa., Mars Microsystems is an independent designer and developer of innovative SPARC compatible workstations and peripherals. Tatung Co. is a $2 billion manufacturer of PCs, monitors and consumer electronics based in Taipei, Taiwan.

CONTACT: Beaupre & Co. Public Relations
Christine Flaherty, 603/436-6690
or
Mars Microsystems, Dallas
Kevin Gonor, 412/934-1040.

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#90219b0732 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire
HAUPPAGE, NY (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Richard Projain, president and chief executive officer of ElectroSound Group Inc., (AMEX:ESG), Tuesday reported the operating results for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

For the year the company incurred a loss of $207,000 which included the following special items:

-- A gain of $418,000 on the June 1989 sale of the assets of the company's commerical duplicating equipment manufacturing operations.

-- A charge of $200,000 for the costs associated with relocation of duplicating capacity from a closed facility.

-- A fourth quarter gain of $138,000 from the settlement of an insurance claim.

The prior fiscal year loss of $8,267,000 reflects charges of $9,409,000 associated with the company's investment in Memory-Tech, the compact disc joint venture with Mitsubishi Corp. This joint venture was sold to Mitsubishi at the end of the prior fiscal year.

As a result of the June 1989 disposal of duplicating equipment and computer peripheral distribution activities sales declined 31 percent for the year to $23,602,000.

Sales of duplication activities declined 8 percent for the current fiscal year. During the fourth fiscal quarter, sales declined 56 percent including a 32 percent decline in duplicating services. These declines reflect the overall slowness in the music industry.

The relocation of the company's West Coast audio tape duplicating capacity to its other existing operations on Long Island and Indiana has now been completed.

CONTACT: ElectroSound Group Inc., Hauppauge
Ronald Hoffman, 516/234-2010

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#90219b0736 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire
JACKSONVILLE, FL. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Koger Equity Inc. (AMEX: KE), at its meeting on Aug. 7, approved a 45 cents per share quarterly dividend, payable Oct. 23, to shareholders of record on Sept. 28.

CONTACT: Koger Equity Inc., Jacksonville
Allen Ransom, 904/398-3403

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#90219b0746 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire
GREENVILLE, S.C. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The Liberty Corp. (NYSE:LC) Tuesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 23 cents per share on common stock, payable on Sept. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 15, 1990.

Liberty's 7,826,863 common shares currently outstanding are traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: The Liberty Corp., Greenville
Barry L. Edwards, 803/268-8435

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#90219b0749 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire
AKRON, OHIO (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 45 cents per share, payable Sept. 15 to shareholders of record Aug. 16.

The dividend payment represents an annual rate of $1.80 per share.

CONTACT: Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Akron
Hank Ruppel, 216/796-9143

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#90219b0752 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire
FAIRFIELD, N.J. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Gibralter Biological Laboratories Inc. of Fairfield, received approval July 12 from the United States Environmental Protection Agency to offer its in vitro Hepatitis B protocol.

The announcement follows the EPA approval June 11 of Gibralter Laboratories in vivo Hepatitis B protocol. Before these protocols became available, no protocol for disinfectants was recognized by the U.S. EPA as effective in destroying the deadly Hepatitis B virus (HBV).

According to Dr. Dan L. Prince of Gibralter Laboratories, ''The availability of this approved protocol, for the first time, will allow disinfectants to be tested to assure they will kill HBV. This will help eliminate infection from this deadly virus.''

The EPA's recognition of this protocol will enable a direct test for disinfectant manufacturers to certify their product kills the HBV virus, thereby enabling hospitals, physicians, dentists and other health care agencies to provide safer health care.

Hepatitis B, which is spread through blood, sexual contact, and on contaminated medical/dental utensils, causes chronic liver disease in human begins.

It is the leading cause of cirrhosis and liver cancer and the world's ninth largest killer. One to one-an-a-half million Americans are chronic carriers of HBV, and approximately 300,000 new cases appear each year in the United States (a 200 percent increase since 1975 in adults aged 25 to 29). Worldwide, 5 percent of the world's population is chronically infected.

The in vitro protocol offers a tremendous stride forward as it eliminates the need for controverisal animal testing. This makes it the most consumer-acceptable technology available for the formulation of disinfectants efficacious against HBV.

By allowing manufacturers to certify that their disinfectants kill Hepatitis B virus, the new protocol will be critically important not only to hospitals, health care professionals and patients, but to the business community, as it opens new marketing niches for antimicrobials in the $350 million U.S. disinfectant marketplace, and ushers in a new area of high-technology disinfectants.

The in vitro Hepatitis B protocol is also approved for use in West Germany Austria and Switzerland.

CONTACT: Menil Communications, Kingston, N.Y.
Vicki Macia, 914/339-6900

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#90219b0757 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

WOODBURY, CT (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Graystone Cos. Inc. Tuesday announced preliminary results for the second quarter ending June 30.

The company reported revenues of approximately $413,301 and a pre-tax net loss of approximately $377,556.

For the six months ended June 30, the company reported revenues of approximately $1,041,215, a 45 percent increase over revenues for the same period in 1989 of $721,064.

Net loss for the six month period 1990 is approximately $627,381.

The company previously reported the cancellation of credit lines with two major Connecticut banks. Efforts to secure replacement financing have not been successful to date. The company has filed a Form S-1 application with the Securities and Exchange Commission to register 575,000 additional shares of common stock for public sale through warrant offerings proposed by the company.

The company continues to attempt to borrow or raise equity capital of approximately $250,000 which it believes would give it sufficient working capital through October 1990.

The Graystone board of directors rejected on Aug. 3 an offer of short term financing from Hibbard Brown & Co., New York City, because of lending terms the directors felt were unacceptable.

As cost cutting measures, the company recently took the following steps:

The workforce has been reduced to 30 full time employees, a reduction of 10 persons from its 1990 high. Additional layoffs are anticipated. The company closed its Washington D.C. sales office, eliminated all research and development activities and drastically scaled back its marketing activities.

William Giarratana, vice president - marketing communications, and a director, has taken an unpaid leave of absence for an indeterminate period.

The company will further abandon its lease at its Woodbury location and integrate its prinicpal executive offices into the newly-expanded Waterbury facilities.

In other developments, the company announced that Stephen B. Hadelman resigned as a director effective Aug. 3.

CONTACT: Graystone Cos. Inc., Woodbury
203/263-3265

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#90219b0761 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

WILMINGTON, MA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Dynamics Research Corp. (NASDAQ:DRCO) announced Tuesday that its board of directors has increased the company's authorization to repurchase its common stock by 250,000 shares, bringing the total number of shares authorized for purchase to 750,000.

The stock may be purchased in open market transactions, private purchases, or by other means.

To date, the company has purchased approximately 325,000 shares under this program. There are currently 4,719,705 shares of common stock outstanding.

Dynamics Research Corp. provides a wide range of specialized technical services to the Department of Defense and also manufactures components for industrial measurement and control.

CONTACT: Dynamics Research Corp., Wilmington
James F. Pablo, 508/658-6100 x2441

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#90219b0766 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

STATEN ISLAND, NY (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantic Express Inc. (NASDAQ Symbols:ATEX) announced Tuesday that it has declared a one for two reverse split on shares of its common stock outstanding as of a record date of Aug. 20.

As of Aug. 6, there were 4,993,537 shares of the company's common stock outstanding. After giving effect to the reverse split approximately 2,496,769 shares of common stock will be outstanding. Fractional shares will be rounded to the nearest whole share.

Atlantic Express Inc. is one of the largest private school bus carriers in North America with a fleet of 1,400 buses transporting approximately 65,000 school children daily. The company has also recently expanded into the charter and commuter bus transportation business.

The operations of Atlantic Express Inc. also includes an entertainment division consisting of a 64 lane state of the art bowling facility, a joint venture participation in a ten-plex theatre complex and several restaurants.

CONTACT: Atlantic Express Inc., Staten Island
Michael Lombardi, 718/984-4666.

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#90219b0767 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

DAYTON, OH (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of the Dayton Power and Light Co. declared Tuesday quarterly dividends on the Dayton Power and Light Co. preferred stocks as follows:

$.9375 per share on the 3.75 percent Series A, Cumulative
$.9375 per share on the 3.75 percent Series B, Cumulative
$.975 per share on the 3.90 percent Series C, Cumulative
$1.87 per share on the 7.48 percent Series D, Cumulative

$1.925 per share on the 7.70 percent Series E, Cumulative
$1.84375 per share on the 7.375 percent Series F, Cumulative
$2.15625 per share on the 8-5/8 percent Series H, Cumulative
$2.34375 per share on the 9-3/8 percent Series I, Cumulative

The preferred dividends are payable on Sept. 1, 1990, to holders of record on Aug. 20, 1990.

CONTACT: Dayton Power & Light Co., Dayton
DPL Media Line, 513/224-5940.

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#90219b0769 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

SIDNEY, OH (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The Monarch Machine Tool Co. (NYSE:MMO), meeting on Aug. 7, 1990, declared a regular quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share, payable Sept. 1, 1990, to Monarch common shareholders of record on Aug. 22, 1990.

The board of directors also declared a dividend of 45 cents per share, payable Sept. 1, 1990, to Monarch Series A preferred shareholders of record on Aug. 22, 1990.

1990 is the 78th consecutive year in which Monarch has paid dividends to its shareholders.

CONTACT: Monarch Machine Tool Co., Sidney
Earl Hull, 513/492-4111

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#90219b0773 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

NORTH SPRINGFIELD, Vt. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Vermont Research Corp. announced that net product sales for the third fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1990 increased substantially from the third quarter of 1989.

Net product sales were $1,173,000, up $282,000 from $891,000 one year ago. There was a net loss for the quarter amounting to $16,000, or $0.01 per share as compared to net income for the third quarter of 1989 of $342,000 or $0.10 per share.

The quarterly net income of last year resulted primarily from a one-time gain on the curtailment of a pension plan.

Operations have improved in each successive quarter of this fiscal year. In the third quarter of this year net sales increased by $201,000 over net sales in the second quarter of this year and the quarterly net loss decreased by $40,000 in the third quarter.

As indicated by the increase in sales, the company has received orders and has shipped products at a higher level than in the previous quarters of the year.

The company announced a new product for the telephony industry during the past quarter and shipments are expected next fiscal year. Over one year ago the company conceived of an additional solid state storage product, designated the K2, to supplement the standard Model 4256 solid state product now being sold.

The K2 is in final development and production will start in 1991. A significant order for prototypes of the K2 has been received from a major computer manufacturer. Other computer manufacturers have shown significant interest in the K2.

CONTACT: Vermont Research Corp., North Springfield Edward D. Winkler Jr., 802/886-2256

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#90219b0776 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OH (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Riser Foods Inc. (AMEX:RSR) announced today that Anthony Petrillo has signed a three year agreement to provide consulting services to the company.

Under the terms of the agreement, Petrillo will maintain his principal residence in the Cleveland area and provide at least three full days per week of services at Riser's headquarters. The specific financial terms of the agreement were not disclosed. Anthony Rego, chief executive officer of the company, said that this agreement formalizes the consulting arrangement previously announced.

Riser Foods was formed two years ago from the merger of Rini Supermarkets, Rego Supermarkets, American Seaway Foods and Fisher Foods. The company operates 50 retail supermarkets under the Stop-n-Shop and Carl's Superstore names, and services over 300 wholesale customers through its Seaway wholesale division.

CONTACT: Riser Foods Inc., Bedford Heights
Anthony Rego, 216/591-2743
or Edward Howard & Co., Cleveland
William L. Dupuy, 216/781-2400.

-30- 1226

#90219b0779 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

WESTBURY, NY (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - E-Z-EM Inc., an international

manufacturer and distributor of diagnostic products, has signed a licensing agreement with Baylor College of Medicine, in Houston, for the exclusive worldwide rights to a patented antigen of Helicobacter pylori.

Commonly known as H. pylori, this bacterial infection of the gastrointestinal tract is the predominant cause of gastritis, and peptic and duodenal ulcers. The antigen was developed in the laboratory of Dr. David Y. Graham, one of the world's leading H. pylori researchers, and his associates at Baylor College of Medicine, Dr. Doyle J. Evans Jr., and Dr. Dolores G. Evans.

H. pylori is a recently discovered bacteria that infiltrates the stomach lining and plays a key role in the development of inflammations and the subsequent occurrence of peptic and duodenal ulcers. These painful irritation strike 1 out of every 50 Americans each year. In 1987 alone, the National Center for Health Statistics recorded 4,580,000 new cases of peptic ulcer.

Dr. Graham, Chief, Gastroenterology Division, Baylor College of Medicine and Chief, Digestive Disease Section at the Houston VA Medical Center, stated that, ''With recent research showing H. pylori as having a clear link and potential major role in the pathogenesis of gastric duodenal ulcers, the need to detect and diagnose H. pylori is critical.''

According to Philip Meyers, M.D., E-Z-EM co-founder and Medical Director, ''This agreement is a major demonstration of our long-term corporate commitment to the detection and diagnosis of gastrointestinal diseases and disorders. Efforts are already underway to introduce at least two H. pylori test products into the marketplace within the next year. Strategically, we see these tests supporting the need to perform upper G.I. barium studies, thus enhancing our core business as the leading manufacturer of barium sulfate diagnostics in North America.''

Herbert Hechter, E-Z-EM vice president and chief scientist stated that, ''This patented antigen has demonstrated a specificity for the H. pylori antibodies of 100 percent, and a sensitivity of 98 percent.

Gastrointestinal disease is the number one reason why individuals seek out medical care from their family physician or local hospital. According to the National Digestive Disease Information Clearinghouse, upper gastrointestinal distress is also a leading cause of absenteeism in the U.S. accounting for over 200,000 cases each day.

CONTACT: E-Z-EM Inc., Westbury
Robert Bloomfield, 516/334-1980.

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#90219b0781 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire
YORKTOWN, IN (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Marsh Supermarkets Inc. (NASDAQ:MARS) Tuesday reported that its board of directors approved a quarterly dividend on common stock of 10 cents per share, payable Nov. 5, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 19, 1990, which represents an 11 percent increase from the current rate of 9 cents.

Marsh operates 79 supermarkets and 167 Village Pantry convenience stores in mid Indiana and western Ohio.

CONTACT: Marsh Supermarkets Inc., Yorktown
John S. Hayford, 317/759-6211

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#90219b0786 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire
HOUSTON (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Cooper Industries Inc. (NYSE:CBE) announced today that it has signed an agreement to acquire AB Sani Maskiner of Malmo, Sweden.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

AB Sani Maskiner is a privately owned manufacturer of machinery for the assembly of window blinds and shades, and of components for the fabrication of blinds and shades. It has annual sales of approximately $20 million. Its manufacturing facility is located in Malmo, Sweden, and it maintains warehouses in the U.K., West Germany and the United States.

AB Sani Maskiner would become part of the Kirsch Division of Cooper Industries, which manufactures drapery hardware and window products. The Kirsch Division is part of Cooper's Tools & Hardware business segment.

Houston-based Cooper Industries, with 1989 revenues of $5.1 billion, is a diversified, worldwide manufacturer of electrical products, electrical power equipment, tools and hardware, automotive products, and petroleum and industrial equipment.

CONTACT: Cooper Industries, Houston
Ellen H. Myers, 713/739-5423

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#90219b0788 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire
ALBANY, N.Y. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Lawrence Insurance Group Inc.'s (AMEX:LWR)(LIG) net earnings for the three months ended June 30 were $1,773,000 which represents a 35 percent increase over net earnings of $1,309,000 for the same period in 1989.

Operating results for the second quarter of 1990 reflect the positive impact on earnings generated as result of LIG's acquisition of United Republic Reinsurance Co. (URRC) during the fourth quarter of 1989. Per share earnings increased to 13 cents on 14,121,482 shares outstanding from 12 cents on 10,963,587 shares for the same quarter last year.

Gross premiums increased 51 percent over the second quarter of 1989. Consolidation of URRC's financial data with LIG for the three month period ended June 30 accounted for 22 percent and 29 percent was contributed by the other companies, United Community and Senate.

Net premiums earned increased by 78 percent reflecting the fact that less reinsurance was purchased, thus keeping more of the business in-house. Net investment income rose 59 percent reflecting the increase in the average invested asset base between the second quarters of 1990 and 1989.

Total operating expenses rose in approximately the same proportion as the increase in net premiums earned.

On a year-to-date basis, net earnings for the six months ended June 30 increased 46 percent to $4,048,000 from $2,773,000 for the same period in 1989. Earnings per share increased 16 percent to 29 cents on 14,121,482 shares outstanding from 25 cents on 10,963,587 shares.

Through its subsidiaries, Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. is currently licensed or accredited in 45 states and Washington with applications in process in the remainder.

The group is comprised of United Community Insurance Co.; United Republic Reinsurance Co.; Senate Insurance Co.; and Commercial Resources Insurance Co. Executive offices of Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. are located at 770 Broadway, in New York City, while the operating headquarters is at 33 Elk Street, Albany, N.Y.

CONTACT: Lawrence Insurance Group Inc., Albany Floyd N. Adams or Edward Kovalefsky, 518/465-0457

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#90219b0796 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

ROCHESTER, NH (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Cabletron Systems Inc. (NYSE:CS) one of the local area networking industry's fastest growing companies and a leading supplier of connectivity hardware and software products, Tuesday announced that David Kirkpatrick has joined the company as chief financial officer, while John Caruso has been hired as director of manufacturing.

According to Craig Benson, Cabletron's chairman and chief operating officer, ''We are pleased to be able to welcome these seasoned

professionals to our management team. We have hired individuals who share similar experiences with dominant corporations within their industries, and we believe those experiences will enable Cabletron to anticipate the ongoing growth and demands of the networking industry.''

Reporting to Benson, Kirkpatrick is responsible for all areas of finance, accounting and related functions for Cabletron's worldwide operations.

Kirkpatrick assumes his new role on Aug. 20, 1990 after 15 years of extensive experience as vice president, finance and chief financial officer with Zenith Data Systems, a micro computer division of the $1.5 billion Zenith Electronics Corp. Mark Lapham, Cabletron's current chief financial officer has agreed to work through an interim and transition period with Kirkpatrick before pursuing other career interests.

''David brings a tremendous track record and background with him to the chief financial officer position. At Zenith, he has proven his abilities with one of the largest corporations in the world,'' said Benson. ''During his tenure with Zenith, David helped the company grow from $60 million to $1.5 billion in sales. We believe this type of experience will be instrumental in Cabletron's future growth.''

Kirkpatrick holds a masters in business administration in finance from Northwestern University, and a bachelor of arts degree in economics from Dennison University.

Caruso joins the company as director of manufacturing with complete responsibility for worldwide manufacturing operations including overseeing production control, materials, purchasing, quality assurance, test engineering and manufacturing engineering.

Caruso assumes his role after 12 years with Data General Corp. where he has served as a plant manager, director of technology and corporate quality, and director of manufacturing for the $1.3 billion manufacturer of microcomputers, minicomputers and medium-range computer systems.

Caruso began his extensive career with the RCA Corp., where he spent eight years in various roles including manager of labor relations, compensation and employee development.

Caruso holds both a masters in business administration at Fairleigh Dickinson University and a bachelor of science degree in business administration at Oklahoma City University.

Cabletron Systems Inc.., headquartered in Rochester, develops and manufactures networking products based on its Integrated Network Architecture, a strategy which provides standards-based products and services necessary to build and manage a global, distributed platform of

interconnected local area networks. The company currently has a worldwide installed base exceeding 1.3 million nodes.

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Michael Welts, 603/332-9400 x156
Ed Cortes, 603/332-9400 x 225

-30- 3561
#90219b0808 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

WAYNE, PA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Laurentian Capital Corp. (ASE: LQ), a life insurance holding company based in Philadelphia, is pleased to announce continued increases in earnings following a period of operational restructuring.

The company Tuesday reported unaudited consolidated net income for the second quarter of $1,690,000, or 10 cents per share, compared to a net income of $923,000, or 5 cents per share, for the correspondiing period in 1989.

The increase in earnings of $767,000 over last year reflects improved business performance. For the six-month period ended June 30, the company had an unaudited net income of $2,794,000, or 16 cents per share, as compared to an unaudited net income of $1,437,000, or 8 cents per share, for the corresponding period in 1989.

Consolidated revenues were $63,312,000 for the first six months of 1990 as compared to $72,948,000 for the corresponding period in 1989. The decline in revenues is due primarily to past divestitures of certain unprofitable lines of business in 1989 as well as lower realized investment gains.

Investment income continues to improve following a period of restructuring of the investment portfolio. Earnings per share for both the three- and six-month periods ended June 30 were based upon 16,229,000 shares outstanding for both 1990 and 1989.

The improvement in earnings follows a period of change with administrative and operational restructuring, divestitures and consolidations to produce the expected efficiencies in the business. The company continues to invest and concentrate on sales and distribution development with its life and health insurance specialty markets.

Laurentian Capital Corp. has assets of approximately $890 million and total life insurance in force in excess of $7 billion. Laurentian's primary life insurance subsidiaries are: Loyal American Life Insurance Co. of Mobile, Ala.; Prairie States Life Insurance Co., of Rapid City, S.D.; and American Defender Life Insurance Co., of Raleigh, N.C.

CONTACT: Laurentian Capital Corp., Wayne
G. Alan Lansdell, 215/889-7400.

-30- 2285

#90219b0813 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The Steel Service Center Institute (SSCI) Tuesday forecast that business activity for most major metal-consuming industries would hold steady through year-end, propelling the $24 billion steel service center industry to higher shipments in 1990.

Andrew G. Sharkey, SSCI president, today predicted that total 1990 steel service center shipping levels would climb 1 percent ahead of the 23.7 million tons shipped last year.

''Total service center shipments in the range of 23.9 million tons is now a likely scenario, and would result in the industry's eighth consecutive record shipping year,'' said Sharkey. ''Unfortunately, volume doesn't necessarily translate into operating profit and margin. Economic conditions continue to vary widely for SSCI members both by region and by product.''

Through six months, service centers' average daily shipping rate is running 1.5 percent ahead of last year's pace, when service centers shipped more than 23.7 million tons of steel products for the year.

In the first half, all product categories, with the exception of carbon flat rolled, showed average daily shipping rate increases over the similar 1989 period. The average daily shipping rates for structurals and plate were up 9.7 percent and 8.8 percent, respectively, through the second quarter.

The Steel Service Center Institute is a trade association representing the interests of 85 percent of the steel service center industry. America's steel service centers purchase and distribute one out of every three tons of carbon industrial steel products and nearly half of all stainless steel produced in the United States.

Service centers are the largest single customer group of the domestic steel industry and serve the metal supply needs of more than 300,000 manufacturers and fabricators through plant locations nationwide.

CONTACT: Steel Service Center Institute, Cleveland
by Watt, Roop & Co., Cleveland
Michael Zimmerman, 216/566-7019

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WINDSOR, CT (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of ADVO-System Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ADVO) has approved the purchase by the company of up to 500,000 shares of the company's common stock.

The purchase will be for cash from time to time within the next few months at prevailing market prices, either in the over-the-counter market, in private transactions, or otherwise, for corporate purposes.

The company currently has 12,790,637 outstanding shares of common stock.

Robert Kamerchen, chairman and chief executive officer of the company said that the company is undertaking this program because it believes that its stock is undervalued at current market prices. He also said that the company has no specific plans regarding the use of the shares to be purchased.

ADVO is the nation's largest company specializing in Direct Mail and Direct Mail Marketing services. The company's brand of shared mail, Marriage Mail and Mailbox Values, are distributed nationally to over 52 million households weekly.

ADVO also processes solo mailings and offers limited printing and transportation services. It has 20 production facilities and 69 sales offices nationwide. ADVO's Corporate headquarters are located at One Univac Lane, Windsor, Conn., 06095.

CONTACT: ADVO-System Inc., Windsor
Don McCombs, 203/285-6391

-30- 1522

#90219b0820 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

PROVIDENCE, RI (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Nortek Inc. (NYSE:NTK) announced Tuesday that net sales from continuing operations for the second quarter of 1990 totaled $283,715,000 compared to $286,250,000 for the second quarter of 1989.

Net earnings for the quarter were $3,700,000 compared to $5,100,000 for the second quarter of 1989. The 1989 second quarter included a net after-tax extraordinary gain of $5,450,000 from the exchange of senior notes for convertible debentures, compared to a gain on debt requirements in the 1990 second quarter of $3,600,000.

Pre-tax operating earnings from continuing operations for the quarter were $8,951,000, a 39 percent increase over $6,440,000 reported for the second quarter of 1989.

For the second quarter of 1990, net sales increased slightly at the Air Conditioning and Dixieline Products Groups, offset by a 7 percent drop in sales at the Plumbing Group, as compared to the second quarter of 1989.

Pre-tax earnings improved significantly at the Building Products Group and more than doubled at the Air Conditioning Group, but these gains were partially offset by losses at the Plumbing Group, as compared to the second quarter of 1989.

During the quarter, the company purchased, at a discount, $16,608,000 face amount of its outstanding subordinated debentures.

For the first six months of 1990, net sales from continuing operations were $549,434,000 compared to $551,296,000 for the first six months of 1989. Net earnings for the first six months were $400,000 compared to net earnings of $2,450,000 for the first six months of 1989.

The first six months of 1989 also included a net after-tax extraordinary gain of $5,450,000 from the exchange of senior notes for convertible debentures and $1,250,000 gain on retirement of debt, compared to a gain on debt retirements of $5,300,000 in the comparable 1990 period.

More significantly, pre-tax operating earnings from continuing operations for the first six months were $14,019,000, a 25 percent increase over $11,181,000 reported for the first six months of 1989.

For the first six months of 1990, net sales increased at the Air Conditioning and Dixieline Products Groups, offset by lower sales levels at the Wood and Plumbing Groups. Pre-tax earnings trebled at the Air Conditioning Group and increased at the Building Products Group, partially offset by a significant drop in earnings at the Plumbing Group, compared to the first six months of 1989.

Operating results at Universal-Rundle Corp., in the Plumbing Group, have been particularly hard hit by weak market conditions, lower volume of shipments to its major customer and a shift of product mix from high volume wholesale customers to retail and other markets, which carry much higher selling costs.

The company continued, and is continuing, its debt reduction program. During the first six months of 1990, the company purchased, at a discount, $28,152,000 face amount of its outstanding subordinated debentures.

Richard L. Bready, president and chief operating officer of Nortek Inc., stated that ''the improvement in our operating earnings reflects the investments made and strategies put in place over the past year and are encouraging.

''Our operations do, however, continue to be impacted by weak market conditions in the building industries and continued improvement in our operating results are highly dependent on conditions in home building and the other industries that we serve.''

Nortek Inc. is a diversified Fortune 500 corporation, manufacturing and marketing residential and commercial building products and commercial ventilating and air conditioning systems.

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Richard J. Harris, 401/751-1600

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#90219b0821 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

HOUSTON (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Sanifill Inc. (AMEX:FIL) has entered into letters of intent to acquire three nonhazardous disposal sites.

Two of the sites receive construction and demolition waste, and one is a special waste site, permitted to dispose of nonhazardous industrial waste.

For their respective years ended Dec. 31, 1989 these companies reported unaudited combined revenues of approximately $8,191,000 and unaudited income before taxes of approximately $4,559,000.

Consideration will consist of Sanifill common stock and cash. Each of these proposed acquisitions is subject to the performance and completion of extensive environmental and financial due diligence and the negotiation of final acquisition agreements.

Threrafter, closings are expected to occur on or before Sept. 30.

Sanifill has also terminated negotiations on a previously announced letter of intent to acquire a new permit on a construction/demolition site.

Currently Sanifill has six letters of intent outstanding, including the three announced above.

Sanifill Inc., headquartered in Houston, is an environmental services company specializing in nonhazardous waste disposal.

CONTACT: Sanifill Inc., Houston
Al Warrington, or John Sanders, 713/865-9800

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#90219b0828 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - American Vanguard Corp.

(NASDAQ:AMGD) Tuesday announced unaudited results for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 1990.

Financial results for the prior year periods have been restated to reflect a discontinued operation.

	Three Months Ended	
	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989 (Restated)
Revenues	$5,674,300	$5,541,600
Operating income	270,100	920,600
Interest expense	(50,500)	(45,600)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	219,600	875,000
Income taxes	96,100	344,400
Income from continuing operations	123,500	530,600
Income from operations of discontinued segment (less applicable income taxes)	--	44,100
Net income	$ 123,500	$ 574,700
Per Share:		
Net income from continuing operations	$.05	$.23
Income from discontinued segment	--	$.02
Net income per share	$.05	$.25
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,281,396	2,281,396

	Six Months Ended	
	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989 (Restated)
Revenues	$9,403,000	$10,182,600
Operating income	11,600	1,635,200
Interest expense	(90,100)	(128,300)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	(78,500)	1,506,900
Income taxes (benefit)	(23,500)	593,100
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(55,000)	913,800
Income from operations of discontinued segment (less applicable income taxes)	--	48,100
Net income (loss)	$(55,000)	$ 961,900
Per share:		
Net income from continuing operations	$(.02)	$.40
Income from discontinued segment	--	$.02
Net income per share	$(.05)	$.42
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,281,396	2,281,396

American Vanguard Corporation, through its wholly-owned subsidiary AMVAC CHEMICAL, is a manufacturer and formulator of chemicals for crop, human and animal protection.

CONTACT: American Vanguard Corp., Los Angeles
Herb Kraft, 213/264-3910
by
The Equity Group Inc., New York
Tamara Ehlin, 212/836-9607

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EL SEGUNDO, Calif. (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Softsel Computer Products Inc. (NASDAQ:SOFS) Tuesday reported a net loss of $1,104,000 for the second quarter, down from the same period in 1989, while earnings per share decreased to a loss of 4 cents.

Net income for the calendar year 1990 decreased to $1,379,000, down 34 percent from the same period in 1989, while earnings per share decreased to 7 cents.

Net sales for the second quarter were $325,377,000, up 129 percent from the same period in 1989. Net sales for the six months ended June 30, 1990 increased to $529,613,000, up 83 percent from the same period in 1989.

''The increase in our sales level is not only reflective of our recent merger with Microamerica and our consistent increase in international sales, but also the continued growth rate of the combined entity of Softsel and Microamerica,'' said President and Chief Executive Officer Michael D. Pickett.

''We are very pleased with the sales level, and operating expenses continue to run slightly higher than expected in the U.S. and Canada as the merger process progresses. We are essentially still on track to complete the merger process by October 1990 and to achieve the economies of scale we expected.''

In June, Softsel chose Merisel as its new company name, reflecting the company's desire to combine the best of Microamerica and Softsel. This name change is pending a shareholders' vote, scheduled for Aug. 21, 1990.

Softsel Computer Products, soon to be Merisel, is one of the largest distributors of microcomputer hardware and software products to computer resellers worldwide. The company presently stocks over 7,000 products from more than 400 hardware and software vendors for sale to 35,000 computer resellers in the United States.

International operations account for approximately 30 percent of sales and consist of seven wholly owned subsidiaries serving resellers in Canada, Europe, Latin America and Australia. The company supplies products for microcomputer platforms including Apple Macintosh, IBM and compatibles, and a variety of UNIX systems, in addition to offering a wide range of services to help resellers support these products.

CONTACT: Softsel Computer Products Inc., El Segundo James Brill, 213/615-1259 or 213/615-3080

-30- 2499

#90219b0858 08/07/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA (AUG. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - F.G. Fabian Jr., chairman of the board of For Better Living Inc., reported that net income for the three months ended June 30, 1990 was $189,000, or 20 cents per share, as compared with net income of $315,000, or 34 cents per share, for the comparable period of the prior year.

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $335,000, or 36 cents per share, as compared with net income of $248,000, or 27 cents per share, for the comparable period of the prior year.

CONTACT: For Better Living Inc., San Juan Capistrano
William J. Nolan Jr. III, 714/831-9600

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#90219c0002 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Eldon Industries Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ELD. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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#90219c0003 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:05 that trade in Component Guard Inc. (NASDAQ: PLUG) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 5/16. The company is located in Valhalla, NY.

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#90219c0004 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Arden International Kitchens Inc.(TICKER: AIKI) earned $97,980, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.68 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $124,409, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $3.09 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90219c0005 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ocean Bio-Chem Inc.(TICKER: OBCI) earned $147,663, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $1.58 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $117,710, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.35 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90219c0006 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows H.W. Kaufman Financial Group Inc.(TICKER: HWKF) earned $239,962, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $5.78 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $124,152, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $4.72 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90219c0008 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Image Entertainment Inc.(TICKER: DISK) earned $111,860, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $10.19 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $94,624, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $4.69 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90219c0009 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 31, 1990, the director of the Office of Thrift Supervision closed United Savings Bank (TICKER: USBK). The Resolution Trust Corp. was appointed receiver of United Savings Bank.

Following the closing of United Savings Bank, the RTC entered into an agreement with United Federal Savings Bank, a newly chartered federal savings association, wherey United Federal acquired certain assets and accepted the transfer of certain liabilities of the failed United Savings Bank.

On July 31, 1990, the OTS took possession of United Federal and appointed the RTC as conservator of the institution.

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#90219c0010 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - Shop Television Network Inc. (STNP) began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 3.

Prime Cellular Inc. (PCEL) began trading on NASDAQ effective Aug. 2.

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#90219c0011 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - Filmstar Inc. - Cl B Wts (FLTRZ) was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 6 due to insuff. No. of active market makers.

The following issues were deleted from NASDAQ effective Aug. 3:

Global Venture Corp. (GLOV), Units 4/10/91 (GOLVU), Cl A Wts 4/10/91 (GLOVW),
Cl B Wts 4/10/91 GLOVZ); Delinquent in fees

Greenery Rehabilitation Group Inc. (GRGI); listed on NYSE
Pit Stop Auto Centers Inc. - Units 8/1/95 (PSACU); Company request
Ryka Inc. - Units 7/16/95 (RYKAU); Company request

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#90219c0012 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Aug. 6:

Corporate Data Sciences Inc. (CODS) to (CODSE)
Home Federal Savings Bank of Xenia, Ohio (HFOX) to Ultra Bancorp (HFOX)

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY C.N. KARCHER TRUST OWNS 1,137,200 SHARES (8.80%) OF VTN CORP (TICKER: VTNC) OF ORANGE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

C.N. Karcher acquired 1,131,200 shares upon the conversion of $282,800 in 12 percent convertible debentures on Mar. 3, 1989.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90219c0014 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J.G. DASTI OF MORRISTOWN, NJ OWNS 370,580 SHARES (10.43%) OF NMR OF AMERICA INC (TICKER: NMRR) OF MORRISTOWN, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.G. Dasti intends to provide their names as nominees for directors to be voted on at the annual meeting to be held on Aug. 10, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90219c0016 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Argosystems Holding Co., a subsidiary of the Boeing Co., has made a $4.75 per share cash tender offer for all outstanding shares of UTL(TICKER:

UTLC). The board of UTL has voted to accept the offer as fair and urges shareholders to tender their shares pursuant to the merger agreement signed by the parties on July 31, 1990.

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#90219c0017 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 27

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Centaur Partners IV announced that they are committed to a sale of National Intergroup Inc.'s (TICKER: NII) assets despite the fact that large writeoffs have been taken by the board.

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#90219c0018 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY WEBCOTT HOLDINGS OF LOS ANGELES, CA OWNS 917,100 SHARES (9.723%) OF DEL WEBB CORP (TICKER: WBB) OF PHOENIX, AZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On May 30, 1990, the New Jersey Casino Control Commission permitted the termination of Webcott Holdings' Interim Authorization Trust. The trust was then terminated on July 3, 1990 and the 917,000 shares in the trust were returned to Webcott from July 24 to Aug. 2, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Termination of a trust.

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#90219c0019 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 127,800 SHARES (4.80%) OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC (TICKER: PEBW) OF WORCESTER, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Harris and Tri-Partners ceased to be beneficial owners of more than five percent of the class of securities reported herein on July 27, 1990. Harris Associates LP also claim that they do not constitute a group.

LATEST TRANSACTION: Between June 19 and July 27, 1990, Harris Associates LP sold 35,000 shares at a price of $17 to $17.82 per share.

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#90219c0020 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY FIRST SAVE ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 59,000 SHARES (6.50%) OF WORKINGMENS CAPITAL HOLDINGS INC (TICKER: WCHI) OF BLOOMINGDALE IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

First Save Association disclaim that they constitute a group. No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 8 and July 25, 1990, First Saving Association purchased 46,700 shares at a price of $11.02 to $12.09 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90219c0021 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 1,904,167 SHARES (10.30%) OF PANSOPHIC SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: PNS) OF LISLE, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 16 and July 26, 1990, Harris Associates LP purchased 187,700 shares at a price of $12.86 to $12.88 per share.

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#90219c0022 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 813,787 SHARES (5.50%) OF UNITED ASSET MANAGEMENT CORP (TICKER: UAM) OF BOSTON, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between May 30, 1990 and July 26, 1990, Harris Associates LP sold 121,700 shares at a price of $18.23 to $19.88 per share.

-30- 493
#90219c0024 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.D. WEIL OF ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI OWNS 140,000 SHARES (5.43%) OF OGLEBAY NORTON CO (TICKER: OGLE) OF CLEVELAND, OH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 1, 1990 and July 25, 1990, J.D. Weil purchased 22,900 shares at a price of $32.75 to $33 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 493
#90219c0025 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Gabelli Group received 1,801,317 common shares of Pacificorp (TICKER: PPW) and $4,032,389 in cash in exchange for their total of 914,374 common shares in a statutory merger effected at a conversion ratio of 1.97 and $4.41 in cash per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 509
#90219c0026 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 6,664,750 SHARES (36.95%) OF CHRIS-CRAFT INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: CCN) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 4 and Aug. 2, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 434,123 shares at a price of $28.36 to $34.635 per share and sold 85,248 shares at a price of $28.50 to $34.14 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 605
#90219c0027 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CARBOEX INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 1,834,600 SHARES (9.00%) OF ASHLAND COAL INC (TICKER: ACI).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This report is being made to reflect that as of Sept. 1, 1990, Carboex International Ltd. may exercise a warrant to purchase 450,000 shares of the common stock of Ashland Coal Inc. par value $.01.

-30- 514
#90219c0028 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

L. LOWIN OF GREENWICH, CT OWNS 765,400 CLASS A SHARES (19.70%) OF AEL INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: AELN) OF LANDSDALE, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 18, 1990 and Aug. 2, 1990, L. Lowin purchased 60,000 shares at a price of $4.63 to $5.56 per share.

-30- 453
#90219c0029 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 21

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 3, 1990, counsel for Apple Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: APK) delivered a letter to the Chancery Court responding to Stahl's motion seeking an order vacating the court's denial on May 17, 1990 of the purchaser's application for a preliminary injunction and requiring that the 1990 annual meeting be convened on or before Sept. 14, 1990. The letter requests that the motion be denied.

-30- 599
#90219c0031 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

MERCURY ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC OWNS 795,000 SHARES (4.50%) OF OFFSHORE LOGISTICS INC (TICKER: OLOG) OF LAFAYETTE, LA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Mercury Asset Management PLC sold 245,000 shares from Mar. 30 to July 25, 1990 for $11.50 to $13.65 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 509
#90219c0033 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

MOLEX INC OF LISLE, IL OWNS 3,000,000 SHARES (30.70%) OF BETA PHASE
(TICKER: BETA) OF MENLO PARK, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 12, 1990, Molex paid $1 million to Beta Phase Inc. pursuant to the license agreement dated Feb. 1, 1990, and received a warrant to purchase 3 million common shares.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 528
#90219c0034 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

MOLEX INC OF LISLE, IL OWNS 716,666 SHARES (100.00%) OF BETA PHASE
(TICKER: BETA) OF MENLO PARK, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 12, 1990, Molex paid $1 million to Beta Phase Inc. pursuant to the license agreement dated Feb. 1, 1990, and received a warrant to purchase 3 million common shares.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 523
#90219c0035 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

E.L. PARKER OWNS 413,340 SHARES (5.30%) OF SANIFILL INC (TICKER: FIL) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

E.L. Parker acquired all 413,340 shares on June 29, 1990 pursuant to an agreement and reorganization plan among Sanifill Inc., Sanifill Campbell Acquisition Inc., Campbell Wells Corp., Logan L. Nichols and Ernie L. Parker, pursuant to which Sanifill Inc. acquired all shares of Campbell Wells Corp. Nichols and Parker executed employment agreements with Sanifill Inc.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 716
#90219c0036 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY PANAYOTIS TSAKOS OWNS 305,000 SHARES (10.10%) OF GLOBAL OCEAN CARRIERS LTD (TICKER: GLO) OF PIRAEUS, GREECE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between May 29, 1990 and August 2, 1990, Panayotis Tsakos purchased 200,000 shares for a total aggregate purchase price of $1,751,354.50.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 537
#90219c0037 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 423,100 SHARES (4.40%) OF DONALDSON CO (TICKER: DCI) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 2, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of Donaldson & Co.'s common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 5, 1990 and July 16, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. sold 65,400 shares at a price of $29.25 to $34.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment and sales of shares.

-30- 696
#90219c0038 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC OF MILWAUKEE, WI OWNS 2,010,900 SHARES (11.30%) OF MEASUREX CORP (TICKER: MX) OF CUPERTINO, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 31, 1990 and August 3, 1990, Harnischfeger Industries Inc. purchased 1,010,900 shares at a price $19 to $20.50 per share.

-30- 504

#90219c0039 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

W. WRIGLEY OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 11,979,592 SHARES (35.80%) OF WM WRIGLEY JR CO (TICKER: WWY) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares amount includes 20,000 shares of common stock which on June 1, 1990, or within 60 days thereof, are subject to an exercisable option granted under the 1988 stock option program. The option period runs from Feb. 27, 1989 to Aug. 27, 1998.

-30- 604
#90219c0041 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY G.W. DEHART OWNS 1,363,133 SHARES (14.06%) OF SURETY CAPITAL CORP (TICKER: LOAN) OF HURST, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 26, 1989 and May 10, 1990, G.W. Dehart purchased 871,946 shares at a price of $0.19 to $1.190 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 489
#90219c0042 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

AMERICAN TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 18,570,240 SHARES

(20.00%) OF SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC (TICKER: SUNW) OF MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 3, 1990, Sun Microsystems Inc. gave a fifth notice to AT&T of a partial exercise of its right to sell common stock to AT&T pursuant to which AT&T will be required to purchase 4,575,469 shares of newly issued common stock for cash consideration of $191,82,239 or $41.92 per share at a closing to be held on or about Sept. 4, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION: On July 20, 1989, American Telephone & Telegraph Co. purchased 181,000 shares at a price of $16.80 per share. As of Aug. 3, 1990, AT&T has purchased a total of 4,256,500 shares of common stock for an aggregate consideration, exclusive of brokers' commissions, of $74,344,833.

-30- 1027
#90219c0043 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

HORNBY TRADING INC OF BRIDGETOWN, BARBADOS, WEST IND OWNS 460,000 SHARES (6.30%) OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESEARCH CORP (TICKER: ACRCA) OF FAIRFAX, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 2, 1990, Hornby sold 500,000 shares to American Capital Research Corp. for $12.50 per share. On Aug. 3, 1990, pursuant to the terms of a subscription agreement, Hornby purchased 69 preferred shares, convertible into 460,000 class A shares, for $100,000 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 698
#90219c0044 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

NORWEST CORP OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN OWNS 3,837,233 SHARES (19.99%) OF UNITED BANKS OF COLORADO (TICKER: UBKS) OF DENVER, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 25, 1990, United Banks of Colorado agreed to be merged into Norwest, with each of United Bank of Colorado's common shares being converted into 1.22 common shares of Norwest. United Bank of Colorado also agreed to issue an option to Norwest to purchase up to 3,837,233 common shares at $20 per share exercisable in certain circumstances that would prevent a merger.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition.

-30- 759
#90219c0045 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

I.A. FEINBERG OWNS 160,000 SHARES (5.00%) OF PIONEER SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: PAE).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 353
#90219c0046 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY M.J. MARKOWSKI OWNS 1,316,960 SHARES (13.50%) OF QUADRAX CORP

(TICKER: QDRX) OF PORTSMOUTH, RI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From May 7 to June 27, 1990, M.J. Markowski acquired 122,300 warrants.

PURPOSE:

Ordinary course of business as investment banker.

-30- 479
#90219c0047 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY R. RANKIN OWNS 6,096,300 SHARES (38.20%) OF TOP SOURCE INC (TICKER: TOPS) OF PALM BEACH GARDENS, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 27, 1990, Roger Rankin, Christer Rosen and Stuart Landow agreed to vote their shares together at any annual or special meeting of Top Source Inc. only in accordance with the unanimous consent of all three persons. The purpose of the transaction was to induce Landow to become president and CEO of Top Source Inc. Landow was appointed to fill a vacancy on Top Source Inc.'s board and the board was increased to six persons and Joseph N. Capretta, Francis Fisk Adams Jr. and Howard Silver were appointed to fill the vacancies on the board resulting from the increase in size.

PURPOSE:

Stockholders agreement.

-30- 969
#90219c0050 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD OWNS 1,900,000 SHARES (9.11%) OF HENLEY GROUP INC DEL (TICKER: HENG) OF HAMPTON, NH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 31, 1990, Aboukhater filed notification under the HSR act of his intent to acquire in excess of 15 percent of the outstanding common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On August 2, 1990, Libra Invest & Trade purchased 300,000 shares for $29.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

To increase investment in excess of 15 percent of the outstanding shares of Henley Group Inc. Del.

-30- 744
#90219c0051 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY WORMALD INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 10,000,000 SHARES (19.20%) OF TYCO LABORATORIES INC (TICKER: TYC) OF EXETER, NH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On August 1, 1990, Tyco Labs Inc. entered into a letter agreement pursuant to which certain terms of the purchase agreement were amended. Such amendments principally relate to the structure of the sale to Tyco Labs Inc. of Wormald's German subsidiary, Wormald Deutschland GmbH, assumption by Tyco Labs Inc. of certain receivables, and the reduction of the cash portion of the consideration to be paid at closing by approximately $5.76 million, as a result of certain bonus payments to be made to certain employees of the transferred subsidiaries. On August 2, 1990, the

transactions contemplated by the purchase agreement were consummated and 5 million common shares and warrants to purchase an additional 5 million common shares were issued to Wormald's subsidiary, Netherlands Engineering Services BV, as a selling subsidiary. As contemplated by the purchase agreement, Tyco Labs Inc., Wormald and NES entered into a standstill agreement and a registration rights agreement.

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#90219c0052 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:57 that trade in Component Guard Inc. (NASDAQ: PLUG) has been resumed. The first bid was 9/32; down 1/32 point from the halt and from the previous close.

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#90219c0053 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Al Copeland Enterprises, Inc.(TICKER: acop) lost $4.73 million on revenues of $118 million for the 12-week period ended June 17, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $12.05 million on revenues of $124.91 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 466

#90219c0054 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Escalade Inc.(TICKER: esca) lost $1.49 million, or $0.41 per share, on revenues of $22.26 million for the quarter ended July 14, 1990.

This compares with net income of $840,000, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $18.96 million for the same period last year.

-30- 487

#90219c0055 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United Counties Bancorporation(TICKER: UCTC) gained $3.80 million, or $1.70 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $4.55 million, or $2.00 per share, for the same period a year ago.

-30- 458

#90219c0056 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows APA

Optics (TICKER: APAT) lost $48,452, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $608,903 for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $44,186, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $553,800 for the same period in 1989.

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#90219c0058 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Gold Reserve Corp.(TICKER: GLDR) lost $1.42 million, or $0.26 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $162,622, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $544,327 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 436

#90219c0059 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 25, 1990, Time Energy Systems Inc.(TICKER: TESI) acquired all of the outstanding capital stock of Heating and Cooling Supply Inc.

Heating and Cooling Supply is a wholesale distributor of heating, air conditioning and refrigeration equipment parts and supplies.

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#90219c0060 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Multivest Corp.(TICKER: MVST) lost $257,989, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $14.26 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $922,981, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $15.51 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 446

#90219c0061 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows O! Deli Corp. lost $1.61 million, or $1.24 per share, on revenues of $947,511 for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $649,205, or $0.64 per share, on revenues of $585,865 in fiscal 1989.

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#90219c0062 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 13, 1990, Shirt Shed Inc.(TICKER: SHRT) and Signal Apparel Co. Inc.(TICKER:SIA) reported they had completed a previously announced plan for Signal to to invest $6 million in Shirt Shed.

Under the agreement, Signal has purchased an 8 percent subordinated note which is convertible, upon authorization by Shirt Shed shareholders, into 8 percent convertible preferred stock or 2 million shares of Shirt Shed common stock.

As part of the agreement, three Signal nominees also were elected to the Shirt Shed board of directors, increasing its membership to nine.

The new directors are Stephen Walsh, Paul R. Greenwood and Roger Holland.

-30- 867

#90219c0063 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 31, 1990, Piedmont Federal Corp.(TICKER: PFSB) reported it lost $7.7 million, or $2.96 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.5 million, or $0.56 per share, in the same period in 1989.

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#90219c0064 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Electronics, Missiles & Communications Inc.(TICKER: ECIN) lost $171,459, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.62 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $234,265 (including an extraordinary gain of $79,000), or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $2.50 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 566

#90219c0066 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bancorp Hawaii Inc.(TICKER: BNHI) earned $22.91 million, or $1.38 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a gain of $19.62 million, or $1.22 per share, for the same period last year.

-30- 429
#90219c0067 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows a net gain of $240,000, or $0.39 per share, in the three months ended June 30, 1990 for First Franklin(TICKER: FFHS).

This compares with a net gain of $185,000, or $0.29 per share, for the period in 1989.

-30- 432
#90219c0068 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - Zycad Corp.(TICKER: ZCAD) filed a Form S-3 registration statement with the SEC relating to 334,350 shares of Zycad common stock to be sold by from time to time by John Fahlberg.

Mr. Fahlberg is the chairman of Zycad's board of directors and if he elects to sell all 334,350 shares, he would own 122,825 shares following the offering.

-30- 517
#90219c0069 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - Dento-Med Industries Inc.(TICKER: DTMD) filed a Form S-3 registration statement with the SEC to register 1.20 million shares of Dento-Med Industries Inc.'s common stock on behalf of National Patent Development Corp.

National Patent Development may offer these shares from time to time at prices to be determined at the time of such sales.

Dento-Med is engaged primarily in the development of oral health care products for the professional market.

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#90219c0070 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective July 30, 1990, Bowmar Instrument Corp.(TICKER: BOM) engaged Laventhol & Horwath as its independent accountants, replacing Deloitte & Touche.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

Deloitte & Touche issued an unqualified opinion on Bowmar's financial statements for the fiscal years ended Sept. 30, 1989 and 1988.

Bowmar's executive office is located at 5080 North 40th Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85018 and its telephone number is (602) 957-0271.

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#90219c0071 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - Northwest Acquisitions Inc. filed a Form 8-K with the SEC announcing on July 30, 1990 that, by mutual agreement, Northwest and AorTech Inc. terminated negotiations to merge.

Northwest is a publicly traded blind investment pool and AorTech is a manufacturer and marketer of implantable cardiovascular devices.

The companies had previously entered into a letter of intent, dated June 19, 1990.

The executive office of Northwest Acquisitions is located at 1901 Nightingale Road, Thief River Falls, MN 56701-0790 and its telephone number is (218) 681-6267.

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#90219c0072 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 31, 1990, Evergreen Resources Inc.(TICKER: EVER) executed a letter of intent with an investment banking firm for a public offering of 800,000 shares of Evergreen's common stock.

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#90219c0074 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) COMTEX - Westbury Equities Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 50,000 units. Each unit consists of 10 shares of common stock and 5 Class A warrants.

The initial public offering price is $10.00 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of Westbury Equities Corp. is specified.

Westbury Equities Corp.'s executive office is located c/o Gary B. Wolff, P.C., 747 Third Ave., New York, NY 10017 and its telephone number is (212) 644-6446.

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#90219c0075 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

WYANT & CO GIVEN APPROVAL TO BUY 229,288 NEW SHARES OF HOSPOSABLE PRODUCTS INC (TICKER: HOSP) OF BOUND BROOK, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 10, 1990 Hosposable approved the sale of 229,288 new shares of its common stock to the filer at $5.75 per share.

Leonard Schramm has granted Wyant & Co. options to purchase 443,702 common shares of Hosposable at $5.75 per share.

Additionally, Hosposable has granted Wyant an option to purchase 456,157 common shares at prices of not less than $7.00 per share.

Gerald W. Wyant, the chairman of Wyant & Co. and James A. Wyant, the president of Wyant & Co., have been appointed to Hosposable's board of directors.

The employment agreement between Schramm and Hosposable has been amended as of June 22, 1990.

-30- 985
#90219c0076 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Weico Holdings and Mr. Goddard filed a supplement to the offer on Aug. 6, 1990 and a motion for preliminary injunction in a case involving Weiman Co. (TICKER: WC) was filed on Aug. 2, 1990.

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#90219c0078 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The offer expired on Aug. 6, 1990, with a total of 10,456,788 common shares and 17,750 series B shares tendered and accepted, representing 96 percent and 100 percent, respectively, of the outstanding common and B shares.

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#90219c0080 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The company announced in its 14D-9 filed on Aug. 2, 1990 that its board has determined that the offer is inadequate. On Aug. 6, 1990, the purchaser filed an amended complaint in Missouri alleging that the company made false and misleading statements in its 14D-9 filing. The company is seeking, among other things, an order forcing the company to call a special meeting and provide a shareholder list to the purchaser, and injunctive relief to remedy the violations.

-30- 689
#90219c0083 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K.D. KRAUSMAN OF 2073 S PEARL ST, DENVER, CO 80210, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF W-W CAPITAL CORP. THROUGH H T FLETCHER SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 1, 1990.

(W-W CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 316 227-7111)

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#90219c0084 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K.D. KRAUSMAN OF 2073 S PEARL ST, DENVER, CO 80210, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF W-W CAPITAL CORP. THROUGH VSR FINANCIAL SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 1, 1990.

(W-W CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 316 227-7111)

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#90219c0086 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M. HARRIE OF 5465 WHITE OAK AVE #112, ENCINO, CA 91316, HAS FILED TO SELL 250,000 SHARES OF FUJI ELECTROCELL CORP. (TICKER: FJEC) THROUGH ROBERT THOMAS SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 1, 1990.

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#90219c0087 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - Z.J. KISS OF P O BOX 177, 330 BAKERS BASIN RD, PRINCETON, NJ 08542, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CHRONAR CORP.(TICKER: CRNR) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 1, 1990.

(CHRONAR CORP. TEL: 609 799-8800)

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#90219c0088 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M. BLONSTEIN OF 19547 BERMUDA ST, NORTHRIDGE, CA 91326, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,240,000 SHARES OF DCC COMPACT CLASSICS INC. THROUGH T L SMITH SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 2, 1990.

(DCC COMPACT CLASSICS INC. TEL: 818 993-8822)

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#90219c0089 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D. NICKLUS OF 44 LAUREL AVE E, ORANGE, NJ 07017, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MSYS) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 2, 1990.

(MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 813 576-6311)

-30- 443
#90219c0090 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E.W. PERKINS OF 400 TRILLIUM RIDGE, DAWSONVILLE, GA 30534, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF B.C. COMMUNICATIONS INC. THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 1, 1990.

(B.C. COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 914 627-2060)

-30- 422
#90219c0091 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.L. LAWSON OF 3415 COURTYARD CIRCLE, FARMERS BRANCH, TX 75234, HAS FILED TO SELL 146,125 SHARES OF ENER CRAFT INC. THROUGH L.M. DREW & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 2, 1990.

(ENER CRAFT INC. TEL: 512 385-3444)

-30- 398
#90219c0092 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.W. VALENZA JR OF 108 STRATFORD AVE, WESTMONT, NJ 08108, HAS FILED TO SELL 28,000 SHARES OF REGAL COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: RCOM) THROUGH MYERSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 6, 1990.

(REGAL COMMUNICATIONS CORP. TEL: 609 778-8900)

-30- 432
#90219c0094 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H. COSTELLO & B. ARVEY OF MILE POST 82 STERLING HWY, STERLING, AK 99672, HAS FILED TO SELL 125,000 SHARES OF SEAFOOD FROM ALASKA INC.(TICKER: SEAF) THROUGH WAYNE HUMMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 6, 1990.

(SEAFOOD FROM ALASKA INC. TEL: 907 262-9050)

-30- 450
#90219c0095 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - D. MUSTAIN II OF 4040 SANCTUARY LANE, BOCA RATON, FL 33431, HAS FILED TO SELL 500,000 SHARES OF CELESTA CORP. THROUGH G K SCOTT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 6, 1990.

(CELESTA CORP. TEL: 702 878-2443)

-30- 379
#90219c0096 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E.R. HOLMBERG OF 10801 ELECTRON DR STE 308, LOUISVILLE, KY 40299, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF SKOLNIKS INC. (TICKER: SKNS) THROUGH PAULSON INVESTMENT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 6, 1990.

(SKOLNIKS INC. TEL: 502 267-7667)

-30- 411
#90219c0097 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Galt Financial Corp. lost $5,200, at an unknown price per share, on interest income of $3,909 for the quarter ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $8,797, at an unknown price per share, on interest income of $1,781 for the same period in 1989.

On May 9, 1990, Galt Financial issued a total of 4.80 million shares of its outstanding common stock in exchange for 100 percent of the issued and outstanding common stock of Metropolitan Golf Club Inc.

The Metropolitan Golf Club shareholders received 4.80 million shares of Galt Financial's common stock and, as a result, now own 60 percent of the issued and outstanding common stock of Galt.

Metropolitan Golf Club owns and operates an indoor golf driving range and practice facility in Denver, Colorado.

Galt's executive office is located at 1685 Pennsylvania Street, Denver, Colorado 80202 and its telephone number is (303) 571-1105.

-30- 1147
#90219c0098 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEILA C STRAIN OF 909 GRAND AVE, P O BOX 989, GRAND LAKE, CO 80447, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ELECTRO SCIENTIFIC INDUSTRIES IN (TICKER: ESIO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(ELECTRO SCIENTIFIC INDUSTRIES IN TEL: 503 641-4141)

-30- 456
#90219c0099 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHERMAN T MAYNE OF ROUTE 2 BOX 35, GOLD HILL, NC 28071, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,000 SHARES OF RADIATION DISPOSAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RDIS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(RADIATION DISPOSAL SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 704 527-6406)

-30- 449
#90219c0100 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 26, 1990, Cordero Industries Inc.(TICKER: CCDE) announced that Pattinson Hayton and Grant Record were appointed directors of Cordero Industries Inc.

They replaced Karim Eddine, Ravi Bhola, Allen Falcone and Stephen Raven. Mr. Hayton was appointed president and chief financial officer.

The executive office of Cordero, which recently changed its name from 3CI Inc., is located at 5465 Morehouse Drive, No. 190, San Diego, Ca. 92121 and its telephone number is (619) 453-9700.

-30- 712
#90219c0102 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN W ROLLINS JR OF P O BOX 1791, WILMINGTON, DE 19899, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,250 SHARES OF ROLLINS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES I (TICKER: REN) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(ROLLINS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES I TEL: 302 479-2700)

-30- 446

#90219c0103 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILIP MORGAMAN OF 4020 GALT OCEAN DR, APT #1103, FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33308, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BANKATLANTIC FEDERAL SVGS BANK ((TICKER: ASAL) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(BANKATLANTIC FEDERAL SVGS BANK (TEL: 305 760-5000)

-30- 480
#90219c0104 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GROVE FOUNDATION OF 3065 BOWERS AVE, SANTA CLARA, CA 95051, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(INTEL CORP. TEL: 408 987-8080)

-30- 397
#90219c0105 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILBUR H GANTZ OF 1101 SENECA ROAD, WILMETTE, IL 60091, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,467 SHARES OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX) THROUGH HARRIS INVESTORS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 708 948-2000)

-30- 423
#90219c0106 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Alpnet Inc.(TICKER: AILP) lost $68,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $5.9 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $418,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $5.5 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 451
#90219c0107 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BARRY M BLOOM OF 235 E 42ND ST, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO

SELL 7,191 SHARES OF PFIZER INC. (TICKER: PFE) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(PFIZER INC. TEL: 212 573-2323)

-30- 384
#90219c0108 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BENJAMIN RUSSELL OF 1 WILLOW POINT RD, ALEXANDER CITY, AL 35010, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(RUSSELL CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 403
#90219c0110 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NOYCE ROBERT N TRUST OF 3065 BOWERS AVE, SANTA CLARA, CA 95051, HAS FILED TO SELL 500,000 SHARES OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(INTEL CORP. TEL: 408 765-8080)

-30- 404
#90219c0111 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NOYCE ROBERT N TRUST OF 3065 BOWERS AVE, SANTA CLARA, CA 95051, HAS FILED TO SELL 1,000,000 SHARES OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(INTEL CORP. TEL: 408 765-8080)

-30- 408
#90219c0112 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROSS ELLEN G TTEE OF 333 CLAY STREET, SUITE 3700, HOUSTON, TX 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,872 SHARES OF STERLING CHEMICALS INC. (TICKER: STX) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(STERLING CHEMICALS INC. TEL: 713 650-3700)

-30- 446
#90219c0113 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 18, 1990, Design Institute of America Inc.(TICKER: DEIS) filed a petition for reorganization under Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code.

Design Institute of America Inc. is operating its operations and assets as a debtor-in-possession.

Design Institute of America Inc.'s executive office is located at 123 Empire Street, Montpelier, Ohio 43453 and its telephone number is (419) 459-5551.

-30- 638
#90219c0114 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL W DUNAWAY OF 16818 VIA DEL CAMPO CT, SAN DIEGO, CA 92127, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,900 SHARES OF PSICOR INC. (TICKER: PCOR) THROUGH MORGAN GRENFELL INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(PSICOR INC. TEL: 619 485-5599)

-30- 403
#90219c0115 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREDERICK J OSWALD III OF 3312 BIG HORN TRAIL, PLANO, TX 75075, HAS FILED TO SELL 41,665 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH CANTOR FITZGERALD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 406
#90219c0116 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAY BROWN OF 1801 WALDMAN AVE, LAS VEGAS, NV 89102, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF CELLCOM CORP. (TICKER: CLCM) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(CELLCOM CORP. TEL: 702 384-3433)

-30- 393
#90219c0118 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD A SMITH OF 145 CENTRAL PARK W, APT #19C, NEW YORK, NY 10024, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. (TICKER: MS) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. TEL: 212 703-4000)

-30- 443
#90219c0119 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on June 1, 1990, Macintosh Video News Inc. stopped production of its video magazines due to the lack of capital to finance further production.

Macintosh Video News Inc. reports it continues to ship tapes to ongoing subscribers and meet all of its other short term obligations.

Macintosh Video News Inc. reports that while it is continuing to pursue various sources of additional financing, no additional capital is currently available.

The executive office of Macintosh Video News is located at 215 Union Blvd., Suite 401, Lakewood, Colorado 80228 and its telephone number is (303) 988-0102.

-30- 828
#90219c0120 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN S WADSWORTH JR OF 1251 AVE OF THE AMERICAS, NEW YORK, NY 10020, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. (TICKER: MS) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. TEL: 212 703-4000)

-30- 449
#90219c0121 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLEN W ZERN OF 11 GLEN EAGLES DR, LARCHMONT, NY 10538, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. (TICKER: MS) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. TEL: 212 703-4000)

-30- 428
#90219c0122 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective July 30, 1990, First Community Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: FRFD) engaged KPMG Peat Marwick as its independent accountants.

The executive office of First Community is located at 827 Joe Frank Harris Parkway, S.E., Cartersville, Georgia 30120 and its telephone number is (404) 382-1495.

-30- 522
#90219c0123 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN F CURLEY JR OF 333 GODWIN AVE, RIDGEWOOD, NJ 07450, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,000 SHARES OF MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. (TICKER: MS) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. TEL: 212 703-4000)

-30- 433
#90219c0124 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK E ENGLISH JR OF 185 CHESTNUT ST, WINNETKA, IL 60093, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,908 SHARES OF MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. (TICKER: MS) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. TEL: 212 703-4000)

-30- 434
#90219c0126 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J KNEISEL OF 1251 AVE OF THE AMERICAS, NEW YORK, NY 10020, HAS FILED TO SELL 78,500 SHARES OF MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. (TICKER: MS) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02,

1990.

(MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. TEL: 212 703-4000)

-30- 445
#90219c0127 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLARD F FOSTER OF 1741 CLATTER BRIDGE RD, OCALA, FL 32671, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF HEIST (C.H.) CORP. (TICKER: CHHC) THROUGH INTERSTATE JOHNSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(HEIST (C.H.) CORP. TEL: 904 622-2043)

-30- 416
#90219c0128 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD J FLAMSON III OF 333 S HOPE ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90071, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,200 SHARES OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC) THROUGH SECURITY PACIFIC INVTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. TEL: 213 345-4540)

-30- 435
#90219c0129 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP INC OF 251 S LAKE AVE, PASADENA, CA 91101, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. TEL: 617 876-1170)

-30- 453
#90219c0130 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WENDELL HORNECKER OF 250 PARKCENTER BLVD, P O BOX 20, BOISE, ID 83726, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,400 SHARES OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(ALBERTSON'S INC. TEL: 208 385-6248)

-30- 414
#90219c0131 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WENDY J SELDON OF 278 BEECHWOOD ESTATES, ATHENS, OH 45701, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: RJF) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL INC. TEL: 813 581-3800)

-30- 448
#90219c0132 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JFP HOLDINGS LP OF 201 EAST FIFTH ST, 1300 CENTRAL TRUST TOWER, CINCINNATI, OH 45202, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF JACOR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: JCOR) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(JACOR COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 513 621-1300)

-30- 469
#90219c0134 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRY S SCALING OF 110 WEST STREET, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,999 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 399
#90219c0135 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS G GRACE OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 399
#90219c0136 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AMN INVESTMENTS LTD OF 6950 E BELLEVIEW AVE, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,622 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 408
#90219c0137 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY A AGRON OF 6950 E BELLEVIEW AVE, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,332 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 394
#90219c0138 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT C DOBKIN OF 17350 CREEKSIDE COURT, MONTE SEVANO, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 408 942-0810)

-30- 438
#90219c0139 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT B ALLARDICE III OF 250 SOUTH END AVE, APT #16F, NEW YORK, NY 10280, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. (TICKER: MS) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. TEL: 212 703-4000)

-30- 453

#90219c0140 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID G BOOTH OF 24 MONROE PLACE, APT 9A, BROOKLYN, NY 11201, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. (TICKER: MS) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. TEL: 212 703-4000)

-30- 436
#90219c0142 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN BEAHN OF 1912 FAIRCLOUD DR,
EDMOND , OK 73034, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF FIRST FINANCIAL MGMT CORP. (TICKER: FFM) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 30, 1990.

(FIRST FINANCIAL MGMT CORP. TEL: 404 321-0120)

-30- 429
#90219c0143 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID W LESTER OF 804 BROOKHILL RD, LOUISVILLE, KY 40223, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF KENTUCKY MEDICAL INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: KYMD) THROUGH ADVEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(KENTUCKY MEDICAL INSURANCE CO. TEL: 502 459-3400)

-30- 441
#90219c0144 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J MORROW OF 222 SOUTH WALNUT, BLOOMINGTON, IN 47403, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,500 SHARES OF NOBLE ROMAN'S INC. (TICKER: NROM) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(NOBLE ROMAN'S INC. TEL: 317 634-3377)

-30- 418
#90219c0145 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED V RAFANELLO OF 195 NORWICH CT, LAKE BLUFF, IL 60044, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,525 SHARES OF COMMERCIAL FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: CFCN) THROUGH CHICAGO CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(COMMERCIAL FEDERAL CORP. TEL: 402 390-5345)

-30- 426
#90219c0146 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD M HAWKINS OF 22312 SUGARBUSH RD, ELK RIVER, MN 55330, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,412 SHARES OF HAWKINS CHEMICAL INC. (TICKER: HWKN) THROUGH S J WOLFE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(HAWKINS CHEMICAL INC. TEL: 612 331-6910)

-30- 421
#90219c0147 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STENDER E SWEENEY OF TIMES MIRROR SQ, LOS ANGELES, CA 90053, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,272 SHARES OF THE TIMES MIRROR CO. (TICKER: TMC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(THE TIMES MIRROR CO. TEL: 213 237-3745)

-30- 413
#90219c0148 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JUDITH G IRREVOCABLE TRUST ALDE OF 1 WASHINGTON ST, WESTBORO, MA 01581, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ALDEN ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ADNE) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(ALDEN ELECTRONICS INC. TEL: 508 366-8851)

-30- 438
#90219c0150 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J BRENNAN OF 4 POMPANO ST, 0, RUMSON, NJ 07760, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,018 SHARES OF NYCOR INC. (TICKER: NYCO) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY.

THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(NYCOR INC. TEL: 201 781-5400)

-30- 386
#90219c0151 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK A LAMPRECHT OF 3205 VIEW ST, FORT WORTH, TX 76103, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,554 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 399
#90219c0152 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WARREN K NOVICK OF 29 ELM AVE, MT VERNON, NY 10550, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF DAWN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: DAWN) THROUGH M RIMSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(DAWN CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 914 668-1922)

-30- 402
#90219c0153 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN D HAY OF 1002 MAPLETON AVE, BOULDER, CO 80304, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,935 SHARES OF CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CELL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 303 443-8155)

-30- 409
#90219c0154 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SIMONE C KAUFMAN OF 501 OFFICE CENTER DR, FORT WASHINGTON, PA 19034, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF GREENWICH PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: GRPI) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(GREENWICH PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 215 540-9500)

-30- 455
#90219c0155 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAUREN A MCFARLAND OF 12094 EAST MEXICO AVE, AURORA, CO 80012, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. (TICKER: MCFE) THROUGH OLDE DISCOUNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. TEL: 213 944-0181)

-30- 429
#90219c0156 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OF SACRED HEART CONVENT OF 1177 KING ST, GREENWICH, NJ 08831, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,400 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 400
#90219c0158 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AL SERKEZ OF 336 OLD HOOK RD, WESTWOOD, NJ 07675, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF STANDARD OIL & EXPL OF DELAWARE (TICKER: STDO) THROUGH G K SCOTT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(STANDARD OIL & EXPL OF DELAWARE TEL: 813 365-5950)

-30- 439
#90219c0159 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WINTERFELT ROLF & JEAN FAMILY TR OF 2401-2411 LINCOLN BLVD, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AVON RENT-A-CAR & TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: AVON) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(AVON RENT-A-CAR & TRUCK CORP. TEL: 213 645-7645)

-30- 489

#90219c0160 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES LARK OF 4901 TOWNE CENTRE RD, SAGINAW, MI 48604, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. (TICKER: PMCX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. TEL: 517 790-4764)

-30- 416

#90219c0161 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW DALOIA OF 29 ELM AVE, MT VERNON, NY 10550, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DAWN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: DAWN) THROUGH M RIMSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(DAWN CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 914 668-1922)

-30- 397

#90219c0162 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN C WALSKE OF 147 THORNDIKE ST, BROOKLINE, MA 02146, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 440

#90219c0163 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES D CHILDRENS 1981 TRUST LE OF FOUR POST OAK CIRCLE, HOUSTON, TX 77024, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,500 SHARES OF REPUBLIC WASTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RWIN) THROUGH SANDERS MORRIS MUNDY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(REPUBLIC WASTE INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 713 956-1110)

-30- 462

#90219c0164 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN R DOLAN OF 7 FT BEACH WAY, MARBLEHEAD, MA 01945, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,300 SHARES OF EG & G INC. (TICKER: EGG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(EG & G INC. TEL: 617 237-5100)

-30- 380
#90219c0166 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HENRY ALLAN STARK OF 218 BEAUMONT LANE, BARRINGTON, IL 60010, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,903 SHARES OF SUN ELECTRIC CORP. (TICKER: SE) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(SUN ELECTRIC CORP. TEL: 815 459-7700)

-30- 414
#90219c0167 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORMAN A ZOBER OF 1010 WISCONSIN AVE NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20007, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,460 SHARES OF NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: NME) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC TEL: 213 315-8000)

-30- 454
#90219c0168 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES A PERKINS OF 6699 WILDBERRY LANE, MEMPHIS, TN 38119, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX) THROUGH FORUM SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. TEL: 901 395-3382)

-30- 419
#90219c0169 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS D SEGE OF 29 EUGENIA LANE, WOODSIDE, CA 94062, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: VAR) THROUGH CHARLES

SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC. TEL: 415 493-4000)

-30- 421
#90219c0170 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH F BARLETTA OF 23 CHATHAM COURT, NEWPORT BCH, CA 92660, HAS FILED TO SELL 453,327 SHARES OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. TEL: 415 589-8088)

-30- 457
#90219c0171 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES H ERHART JR OF 149 EAST 73RD ST, 0, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,667 SHARES OF GRACE (W.R.) & CO. (TICKER: GRA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(GRACE (W.R.) & CO. TEL: 212 819-5500)

-30- 413
#90219c0172 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SOLOMON RUDMAN OF 106 HILLTOP COURT, CHERRY HILL, NJ 08003, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI) THROUGH BUTCHER & SINGER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 647-8277)

-30- 455
#90219c0174 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EUGENE E SMITH OF TWO PERIMETER PARK S, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35243, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. TEL: 205 967-7116)

-30- 450
#90219c0175 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HERBERT J BELLUCCI OF 859 CARNATION COURT, LOS ALTOS, CA 94022, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(LASERSCOPE TEL: 408 943-0636)

-30- 399
#90219c0176 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL D FERGUSON OF P O BOX 336, REXBURG, ID 83440, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,133 SHARES OF BROADCAST INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BRIN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(BROADCAST INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 801 562-2252)

-30- 429
#90219c0177 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT W WISELY OF 27402 VALDERAS, MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF KARCHER (CARL) ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CARL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(KARCHER (CARL) ENTERPRISES INC. TEL: 714 778-7118)

-30- 449
#90219c0178 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE G DALTON OF 2152 SOUTH 114TH STREET, WEST ALLIS, WI 53227, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,000 SHARES OF FISERV INC. (TICKER: FISV) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(FISERV INC. TEL: 414 546-5000)

-30- 396
#90219c0179 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAULINE DALTON OF 2152 S 114TH ST, WEST ALLIS, WI 53227, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,212 SHARES OF FISERV INC. (TICKER: FISV) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(FISERV INC. TEL: 414 546-5000)

-30- 384
#90219c0180 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LESLIE M MUMA OF 2152 SOUTH 114TH STREET, WEST ALLIS, WI 53227, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF FISERV INC. (TICKER: FISV) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(FISERV INC. TEL: 414 546-5000)

-30- 392
#90219c0182 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAFFE ENERGY INC OF 1770 SKY PLACE BLVD, 0, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78216, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,600 SHARES OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(APACHE CORP. TEL: 303 837-5072)

-30- 405
#90219c0183 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN D WILLBANKS JR OF 8601 IRON GATE CT, FORT WORTH, TX 76179, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,518 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 332-7000)

-30- 408
#90219c0184 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R S ERLICH & CO OF 770 BASKET RD, WEBSTER, NY 14519, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,891 SHARES OF PHOTOGRAPHIC SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: PSCX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(PHOTOGRAPHIC SCIENCES CORP. TEL: 716 265-1600)

-30- 442
#90219c0185 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH J MONACO JR OF 62 SENTINEL HILL RD, DERBY, CT 06418, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC) THROUGH ADVEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(DS BANCOR INC. TEL: 203 736-9921)

-30- 396
#90219c0186 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACQUELINE SCIBELLI OF 2936 BAY DR, MERRICK, NY 11566, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,900 SHARES OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 516 921-4200)

-30- 430
#90219c0187 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERRY H GUINN OF HIGHWAY 152 WEST, P O BOX 922, PAMPA, TX 79066, HAS FILED TO SELL 42,600 SHARES OF SERVICE FRACTURING CO. (TICKER: SERF) THROUGH JOHNSON & RICE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(SERVICE FRACTURING CO. TEL: 806 665-7221)

-30- 420
#90219c0188 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VERTICAL LIFT PARTNERS OF 400 MADISON AVE, SUITE 1410, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 325,337 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY

THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 463
#90219c0190 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CISCLE DON S CONTRACTOR INC OF 1714 FAIRGROVE AVE, P O BOX 178, HAMILTON, OH 45013, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,700 SHARES OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. TEL: 513 867-4700)

-30- 478
#90219c0191 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GORDON A CAMPBELL OF 3050 ZANKER ROAD, SAN JOSE, CA 94134, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 441
#90219c0192 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 900,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 463
#90219c0193 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH W BITTICKS OF 12009 PRADERA ROAD, CAMARILLO, CA 93010, HAS FILED TO SELL 42,091 SHARES OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 818 706-8989)

-30- 465
#90219c0194 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM M SILVER OF 15 CRAWFORD ST, NEEDHAM, MA 02194, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(COGNEX CORP. TEL: 617 449-6030)

-30- 389
#90219c0195 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN S LEWIS OF 2131 VALLEJO ST #4, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94123, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 451
#90219c0196 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHELDON M BONOVITZ OF 2116 DELANCEY STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,250 SHARES OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 647-8277)

-30- 469
#90219c0198 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALVIN L LUSKEY OF 101 NORTH HOUSTON, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,333 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH FIRST WESTERN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 397
#90219c0199 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHAUL SHANI OF 5 WINGTON CLOSE, 0, LONDON, ENGLAND, OV 00000, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF OSHAP TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: OSHS) THROUGH BANK LEUMI. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(OSHAP TECHNOLOGIES LTD. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 422
#90219c0200 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN L FORD OF 7211 HAWKINS CREAMRY RD, GAITHERSBURG, MD 20820, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS) THROUGH FERRIS BAKER WATTS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. TEL: 301 294-5140)

-30- 445
#90219c0201 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OF JESUS CHRIST LATTERDAY CHURCH OF 1875 S STATE ST, OREM, UT 84058, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF WICAT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: WCAT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(WICAT SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 801 224-6400)

-30- 424
#90219c0202 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES L FILLMAN OF RT #4, P O BOX 415, 0, MOOREVILLE, NC 28115, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,398 SHARES OF ENGRAPH INC. (TICKER: ENGH) THROUGH INTERSTATE JOHNSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(ENGRAPH INC. TEL: 404 329-0332)

-30- 401

#90219c0203 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PANHANDLE PRODUCING CO OF 601 NW LOOP 410, SUITE 808, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78216, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SERVICE FRACTURING CO. (TICKER: SERF) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(SERVICE FRACTURING CO. TEL: 806 665-7221)

-30- 444
#90219c0204 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARCIA FAVROT OF 3600 E 48TH AVE, DENVER, CO 80216, HAS FILED TO SELL 31,000 SHARES OF TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: RRRC) THROUGH BARCLAYS BANK. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 303 399-6351)

-30- 403
#90219c0206 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEEPAK KAMRA OF 1730 FOX DRIVE, SAN JOSE, CA 95131, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 408 331-2200)

-30- 440
#90219c0207 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRIAN B DORN OF 15910 E CRESTRIDGE PLACE, AURORA, CO 80015, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,625 SHARES OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(FOREST OIL CORP. TEL: 814 368-7171)

-30- 403
#90219c0208 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H WILLIAM JAMIESON OF 72616 TWO MILE RD, PALMS, CA 92277, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH BRENNAN ROSS SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 433
#90219c0209 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD M STRANG OF 1062 SPRINGFIELD DR, WALNUT CREEK, CA 94598, HAS FILED TO SELL 149,000 SHARES OF SBE INC. (TICKER: SBEI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(SBE INC. TEL: 415 680-7722)

-30- 397
#90219c0210 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCOTT G SHERMAN OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,834 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH GREENMAN PARKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 398
#90219c0211 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
NEW YORK (AUG 7) COMTEX - Today's weekly auctions of Citicorp Auction (CAPS) Paper set rates of 7.793% for 91-day paper, down from 7.8192% last week, and 7.7186% for 182-day paper, down from 7.728% last week.

For the 91-day paper, accepted bids ranged from a low rate of 7.789% to a high rate of 7.797%. A total of $410 million in bids was submitted, of which $50 million was accepted. Citicorp said that 100% of the bids at the high rate were accepted on a pro-rata basis.

For the 182-day paper, accepted bids ranged from a low rate of 7.698% to a high rate of 7.73%. A total of $370 million in bids was submitted, of which $50 million was accepted. Citicorp said that 100% of the bids at the high rate were accepted on a pro-rata basis.

Citicorp will take bids totalling $50 million on new 91-day paper and $50 million on new 182-day paper next Tuesday.

-30- 1005
#90219c0212 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, HAPOALIM B M BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90219c0214 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, HAPOALIM B M BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 1,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90219c0215 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 11, 1990, HAPOALIM B M BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 1,700 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90219c0216 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 12, 1990, HAPOALIM B M BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 5,500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90219c0217 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 13, 1990, HAPOALIM B M BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 6,300 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90219c0218 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 16, 1990, HAPOALIM B M BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 37,500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90219c0219 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 17, 1990, HAPOALIM B M BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 300 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90219c0220 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 18, 1990, HAPOALIM B M BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 9,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90219c0222 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 20, 1990, HAPOALIM B M BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 8,800 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90219c0223 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, HAPOALIM B M BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 2,500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90219c0224 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 24, 1990, HAPOALIM B M BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 1,300 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90219c0225 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 25, 1990, HAPOALIM B M BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 2,700 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90219c0226 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, HAPOALIM B M BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 1,500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,212,358.

-30- 354
#90219c0227 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 2, 1990, M.T. GILES, PRES. OF CHARTER BANCSHARES INC. BOUGHT 595 SHARES AT $4.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 595.

-30- 294
#90219c0228 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 16, 1990, B.L. GRANT, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,019.

-30- 287
#90219c0230 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, B.B. ZICARI, OFFICER OF OTC AMERICA INC.(TICKER: OTCA) BOUGHT 2,205,568 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,702,568.

-30- 332
#90219c0231 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 16, 1990, HARRY C SCHRADER, DIR. OF SYS. BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $0.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,988.

-30- 275
#90219c0232 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 25, 1990, NATHANIEL LTD, BEN. OWNER OF WASTE CONVERSION SYSTEMS INC. SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90219c0233 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, NATHANIEL LTD, BEN. OWNER OF WASTE CONVERSION SYSTEMS INC. SOLD 17,600 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90219c0234 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, NATHANIEL LTD, BEN. OWNER OF WASTE CONVERSION SYSTEMS INC. SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,375,304.

-30- 343
#90219c0235 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, W.J. BARRETT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ESI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ESI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,663.

-30- 329
#90219c0236 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 16, 1990, C.W. FONTENOT, PRES. OF CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC. BOUGHT 10,008 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90219c0238 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 3, 1990, B.B. CHANDLER, SHAREHOLDER OF INSITUFORM GROUP LTD. (TICKER: IGLSF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90219c0239 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, B.B. CHANDLER, SHAREHOLDER OF INSITUFORM GROUP LTD. (TICKER: IGLSF), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90219c0240 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, B.B. CHANDLER, SHAREHOLDER OF INSITUFORM GROUP LTD. (TICKER: IGLSF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90219c0241 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 11, 1990, B.B. CHANDLER, SHAREHOLDER OF INSITUFORM GROUP LTD. (TICKER: IGLSF), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90219c0242 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 20, 1990, B.B. CHANDLER, SHAREHOLDER OF INSITUFORM GROUP LTD. (TICKER: IGLSF), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90219c0243 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, B.B. CHANDLER, SHAREHOLDER OF INSITUFORM GROUP LTD. (TICKER: IGLSF), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90219c0244 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 5, 1990, R.W. GOODRUM, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.67 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0246 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, R.W. GOODRUM, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.85 PER SHARE, BRING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,617.

-30- 330
#90219c0247 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 15, 1990, F.R. MILLSAPS, DIR. OF TEMPLETON GLOBAL UTILITIES INC. (TICKER: TGU), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 333
#90219c0248 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90219c0249 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 13, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 23,125 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90219c0250 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 16, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 5,218 SHARES AT $1.42 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90219c0251 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 16, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90219c0252 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 16, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90219c0254 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,961,138.

-30- 325
#90219c0255 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 13, 1990, FOR SOCIAL & SCIENT DEVELOP INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF NEW AGE CORP (TICKER: NAGE) SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90219c0256 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 24, 1990, FOR SOCIAL & SCIENT DEVELOP INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF NEW AGE CORP (TICKER: NAGE) SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $0.02 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90219c0257 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 5, 1990, R.J. LOMMA, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF JERMYN PENNSYLVANIA, BOUGHT 555 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90219c0258 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 17, 1990, R.J. LOMMA, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF JERMYN PENNSYLVANIA SOLD 555 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,580.

-30- 328
#90219c0259 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, L.J. JORDAN, VP OF H & R BLOCK INC.(TICKER: HRB) SOLD 1,164 SHARES AT $42.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 294
#90219c0260 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 18, 1990, G. FELS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: CGCO) MASSACHUSETTS, SOLD 6,700 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,517.

-30- 341
#90219c0262 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 20, 1990, G. FELS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: CGCO) MASSACHUSETTS, BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 93,682.

-30- 345
#90219c0263 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 18, 1990, S.M. PATEL, DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP INC.(TICKER: CGCO) MASSACHUSETTS BOUGHT 6,700 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90219c0264 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 20, 1990, S.M. PATEL, DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP INC.(TICKER: CGCO) MASSACHUSETTS, BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,795.

-30- 324
#90219c0265 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 25, 1990, D.J. WILLARD, DIR. OF FCNB CORP BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,338.

-30- 272
#90219c0266 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, THOMAS JAMES TAYLOR, VP OF ALUMINUM CO. OF AMERICA (TICKER: AA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $69.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,756.

-30- 320
#90219c0267 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JAMES A HANLEY, VP OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES (TICKER: ABT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $40.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90219c0268 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JAMES A HANLEY, VP OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES (TICKER: ABT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $42.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90219c0270 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JAMES A HANLEY, VP OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES (TICKER: ABT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $44.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90219c0271 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JAMES A HANLEY, VP OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES (TICKER: ABT), SOLD 1,456 SHARES AT $45.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,960.

-30- 312

#90219c0272 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, BRUCE K ANDERSON, VP OF ADVO-SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: ADVO), BOUGHT 161 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,343.

-30- 304
#90219c0273 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, LARRY D JENNINGS, VP OF ADVO-SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: ADVO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,500.

-30- 319
#90219c0274 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, JOSEPH D FREEDMAN, DIR. OF ADVANCED ENVIRONMENTAL RECYCLING TECH INC. (TICKER: AERT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 367
#90219c0275 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, C LEE ELLIS, OFFICER OF ALFA CORP. (TICKER: ALFA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,900.

-30- 292
#90219c0276 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, ANTHONY A SIRNA III, DIR. OF AMETEK INC. (TICKER: AME), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,660.

-30- 297
#90219c0278 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, HICKS B WALDRON JR, DIR. OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO.

(TICKER: ARC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $116.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90219c0279 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, HICKS B WALDRON JR, DIR. OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO. (TICKER: ARC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $115.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90219c0280 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, HICKS B WALDRON JR, DIR. OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO. (TICKER: ARC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $128.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,540.

-30- 322
#90219c0281 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, DONALD E JAMES, VP OF ATMOS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: ATO), SOLD 1,900 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90219c0282 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, DONALD E JAMES, VP OF ATMOS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: ATO), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,801.

-30- 300
#90219c0283 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, POWELL FRANCIS ESTATE, SHAREHOLDER OF AMERICAN TRAVELLERS CORP. (TICKER: ATVC), SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,108,462.

-30- 366
#90219c0284 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90219c0286 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90219c0287 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90219c0288 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90219c0289 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90219c0290 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90219c0291 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 34,700 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90219c0292 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90219c0294 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 12,714 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90219c0295 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 21,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90219c0296 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,071,435.

-30- 336
#90219c0297 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, WALTER F MONDALE, DIR. OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 2,750 SHARES AT $26.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90219c0298 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, WALTER F MONDALE, DIR. OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 1,504 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,746.

-30- 336
#90219c0299 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, CARL N DCROIX, OFFICER OF BANISTER INC. (TICKER: BAN), SOLD 860 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14.

-30- 296
#90219c0300 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DAVID OLSAN, DIR. OF BEL FUSE INC. (TICKER: BELF), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 294
#90219c0302 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JAMES R MARQUISS, VP OF BETZ LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BETZ), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $79.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90219c0303 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JAMES R MARQUISS, VP OF BETZ LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BETZ), SOLD 6,738 SHARES AT $78.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,702.

-30- 320
#90219c0304 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ALLAN W FULKERSON, DIR. OF BOSTON FIVE BANCORP. (TICKER: BFCS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,000.

-30- 325
#90219c0305 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, CLARENCE J JAMESON III, DIR. OF BANK MARYLAND CORP. (TICKER: BKMD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,082.

-30- 318
#90219c0306 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, BURTON N NOAH, DIR. OF BMC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BMC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 300
#90219c0307 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, BRADY WILLIAM H JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BRADY (W.H.) CO. (TICKER: BRCO), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,136,131.

-30- 348
#90219c0308 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ELIZABETH B LURIE, DIR. OF BRADY (W.H.) CO. (TICKER: BRCO), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 201,090.

-30- 314
#90219c0310 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, CRAIG G MATTHEWS, DIV. OFFICER OF THE BROOKLYN UNION GAS CO. (TICKER: BU), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $28.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 856.

-30- 335

#90219c0311 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, HELMUT W PETER, VP OF THE BROOKLYN UNION GAS CO. (TICKER: BU), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,977.

-30- 317
#90219c0312 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, THOMAS E CATO, VP OF CATO CORP. (TICKER: CACO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,174.

-30- 285
#90219c0313 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, DOMINION TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CATO CORP. (TICKER: CACO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,121,863.

-30- 319
#90219c0314 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, GARRY W MCKINNEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,658.

-30- 333
#90219c0315 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, LAURENCE H POLSKY, VP OF COOPER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CBE), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $44.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2.

-30- 299
#90219c0316 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, EDWARD VILLANUEVA, DIR. OF CIRCUIT CITY STORES INC.

(TICKER: CC), SOLD 19,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90219c0318 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, MICHAEL FALLON, VP OF COMMUNICATIONS GROUP INC. (TICKER: CMGI), BOUGHT 26,667 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,667.

-30- 321
#90219c0319 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, WERNER E NEUMAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90219c0320 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, WERNER E NEUMAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90219c0321 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, WERNER E NEUMAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90219c0322 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, WERNER E NEUMAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 931,266.

-30- 347
#90219c0323 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, GEORGE F TAYLOR, CHAIRMAN OF CITYTRUST BANCORP. (TICKER: CYT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90219c0324 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, PHILIP H ALSPACH, DIR. OF DATA-DESIGN LABORATORIES (TICKER: DDL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 329
#90219c0326 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, LEE H KASPER, VP OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90219c0327 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, LEE H KASPER, VP OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK), SOLD 42,667 SHARES AT $0.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,031,681.

-30- 321
#90219c0328 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT G FINNEY, SHAREHOLDER OF ELECTRONIC ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: EA), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,300.

-30- 339
#90219c0329 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, RINA K SPENCE, TTEE OF EASTERN ENTERPRISES (TICKER: EFU), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 304
#90219c0330 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, LOUIS E AZZATO, DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,020.

-30- 334
#90219c0331 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 02, 1990, PRIMERICA HOLDINGS INC, BEN. OWNER OF FINGERHUT COS. (TICKER: FHT), SOLD 6,000,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90219c0332 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 07, 1990, PRIMERICA HOLDINGS INC, BEN. OWNER OF FINGERHUT COS. (TICKER: FHT), SOLD 345,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,306,081.

-30- 338
#90219c0334 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, WILBUR M FELTNER, CHAIRMAN OF F & M NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FMNT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0335 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, J FRANK LOY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF F & M NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FMNT), BOUGHT 131 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,868.

-30- 326
#90219c0336 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, RICHARD D HANNIGAN, VP OF GENUS INC. (TICKER: GGNS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,650.

-30- 295
#90219c0337 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, KENNETH G NORCROSS, VP OF GENUS INC. (TICKER: GGNS), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 295
#90219c0338 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1989, CLIFFORD F SMEDLEY, DIV. OFFICER OF GENUS INC. (TICKER: GGNS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90219c0339 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ROBERT M FRIEDLAND, DIR. OF GALACTIC RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: GLC), BOUGHT 558,625 SHARES AT $3.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,288,615.

-30- 336
#90219c0340 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, LEWIS B CAMPBELL, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 640 SHARES AT $49.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,324.

-30- 307
#90219c0342 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, STEPHEN A WYNN, CHAIRMAN OF GOLDEN NUGGET INC. (TICKER: GNG), SOLD 3,400 SHARES AT $35.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90219c0343 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, STEPHEN A WYNN, CHAIRMAN OF GOLDEN NUGGET INC. (TICKER: GNG), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90219c0344 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, STEPHEN A WYNN, CHAIRMAN OF GOLDEN NUGGET INC. (TICKER: GNG), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $34.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90219c0345 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, STEPHEN A WYNN, CHAIRMAN OF GOLDEN NUGGET INC. (TICKER: GNG), SOLD 4,700 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90219c0346 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, STEPHEN A WYNN, CHAIRMAN OF GOLDEN NUGGET INC. (TICKER: GNG), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90219c0347 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, STEPHEN A WYNN, CHAIRMAN OF GOLDEN NUGGET INC. (TICKER: GNG), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $34.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90219c0348 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, STEPHEN A WYNN, CHAIRMAN OF GOLDEN NUGGET INC. (TICKER: GNG), SOLD 18,800 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90219c0350 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, STEPHEN A WYNN, CHAIRMAN OF GOLDEN NUGGET INC. (TICKER: GNG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $34.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90219c0351 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, STEPHEN A WYNN, CHAIRMAN OF GOLDEN NUGGET INC. (TICKER: GNG), SOLD 45,700 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,460,831.

-30- 321
#90219c0352 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, CHARLES H ERHART JR, PRES. OF GRACE (W.R.) & CO. (TICKER: GRA), SOLD 3,667 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,287.

-30- 320
#90219c0353 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, VIRGINIA A KAMSKY, DIR. OF GRACE (W.R.) & CO. (TICKER: GRA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 314
#90219c0354 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, CHARLES GELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF GELMAN SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GSC), BOUGHT 36,000 SHARES AT $7.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90219c0355 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, CHARLES GELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF GELMAN SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GSC), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 327,841.

-30- 322
#90219c0356 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, FATIH M AKBEN, VP OF ACCUGRAPH CORP. (TICKER: ACUA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,251.

-30- 300
#90219c0358 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, GEORGE A THORNTON III, DIR. OF HEILIG-MEYERS CO. (TICKER: HMY), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 104,173.

-30- 320
#90219c0359 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, LAWRENCE J TOIMIL, DIR. OF HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: HRDG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,460.

-30- 325
#90219c0360 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, KYLE KRAUSE, DIR. OF HAWKEYE BANCORP. (TICKER: HWKB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 307
#90219c0361 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, PETER B BEDFORD, BEN. OWNER OF ICM PROPERTY INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: ICM), BOUGHT 208,600 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 811,825.

-30- 347

#90219c0362 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, GEORGE S NORFLEET, OFFICER OF IMTEC INC. (TICKER: IMTC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 303
#90219c0363 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, CHARLES L ANDERSON, DIR. OF INTERMEC CORP. (TICKER: INTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,000.

-30- 310
#90219c0364 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ROGER G HARKER, DIR. OF INTERMEC CORP. (TICKER: INTR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,825.

-30- 302
#90219c0366 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, J ALAN DAY, SHAREHOLDER OF INTERNATIONAL PAPER CO. (TICKER: IP), SOLD 130 SHARES AT $54.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,858.

-30- 317
#90219c0367 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DONALD W MACLEOD, CHAIRMAN OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,527.

-30- 316
#90219c0368 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DONALD W MACLEOD, CHAIRMAN OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 118,700.

-30- 320
#90219c0369 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ROGER L CUNNINGHAM, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ISCO INC. (TICKER: ISKO), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,140.

-30- 326
#90219c0370 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, G RAY MILLER, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL TELECHARGE INC. (TICKER: ITI), SOLD 30,700 SHARES AT $1.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0371 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, G RAY MILLER, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL TELECHARGE INC. (TICKER: ITI), SOLD 52,900 SHARES AT $1.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,400.

-30- 327
#90219c0372 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JESSE W HOUDESHELL, PRES. OF INNOVET INC. (TICKER: IVET), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $1.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 344,234.

-30- 311
#90219c0374 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, WARREN C STERN, DIR. OF INNOVET INC. (TICKER: IVET), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.59 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90219c0375 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, WARREN C STERN, DIR. OF INNOVET INC. (TICKER: IVET), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 296
#90219c0376 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JAMES TYLER, VP OF JASON INC. (TICKER: JASN), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 204,638.

-30- 288
#90219c0377 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RICHARD A KIRSTEIN, DIR. OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,840.

-30- 324
#90219c0378 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90219c0379 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 783,680.

-30- 361
#90219c0380 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, KINGMAN DOUGLASS JR, DIR. OF KEWAUNEE SCIENTIFIC CORP. (TICKER: KEQU), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 328
#90219c0382 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, LOUISE E VAN PELT, OFFICER OF LIBRARY BUREAU INC. (TICKER: LBUR), BOUGHT 7,374 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 201,989.

-30- 325
#90219c0383 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN B SCHULZE, CHAIRMAN OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,400.

-30- 330
#90219c0384 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, GENE H BISHOP, AFFILIATED PERSON OF LOMAS MORTGAGE SECURITIES FUND INC. (TICKER: LSF), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 374
#90219c0385 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, DAVID T KOLLAT, DIR. OF THE LIMITED INC. (TICKER: LTD), SOLD 36,452 SHARES AT $21.11 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,000.

-30- 305
#90219c0386 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, GEORGE R KLANN, VP OF MAGNA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MAGI), BOUGHT 104 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,107.

-30- 298
#90219c0387 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, DOUGLAS HAAS, SHAREHOLDER OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90219c0388 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, DOUGLAS HAAS, SHAREHOLDER OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90219c0390 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, DOUGLAS HAAS, SHAREHOLDER OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90219c0391 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, DOUGLAS HAAS, SHAREHOLDER OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90219c0392 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, DOUGLAS HAAS, SHAREHOLDER OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $16.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 117,837.

-30- 332
#90219c0393 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, GERALD R SMITH, OFFICER OF MEDAR INC. (TICKER: MDXR), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90219c0394 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, GERALD R SMITH, OFFICER OF MEDAR INC. (TICKER: MDXR), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 297
#90219c0395 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ROBERT N LANDES, VP OF MCGRAW-HILL INC. (TICKER: MHP), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $54.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,164.

-30- 299
#90219c0396 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, BRUCE D NESBIT, DIR. OF MCCORMICK CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: MKOR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 318
#90219c0398 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JOHN W ROWE, VP OF MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MTRC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 304
#90219c0399 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, EMPIRE CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NASH FINCH CO. (TICKER: NAFC), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $21.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90219c0400 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, EMPIRE CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NASH FINCH CO. (TICKER: NAFC), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90219c0401 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, EMPIRE CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NASH FINCH CO. (TICKER: NAFC), SOLD 97,445 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 933,451.

-30- 317
#90219c0402 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, EMPIRE CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NASH FINCH CO. (TICKER: NAFC), SOLD 10,500 SHARES AT $20.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90219c0403 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, EMPIRE CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NASH FINCH CO. (TICKER: NAFC), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $20.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90219c0404 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, EMPIRE CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NASH FINCH CO. (TICKER: NAFC), SOLD 48,700 SHARES AT $21.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90219c0406 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, EMPIRE CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NASH FINCH CO. (TICKER: NAFC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90219c0407 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, EMPIRE CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NASH FINCH CO. (TICKER: NAFC), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,000.

-30- 317
#90219c0408 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, BILL M KNIGHT, BEN. OWNER OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,037.

-30- 344
#90219c0409 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 27, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,533,727.

-30- 330
#90219c0410 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 01, 1989, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,566,227.

-30- 332
#90219c0411 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,530,727.

-30- 328
#90219c0412 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, JOHN G BUXBAUM, VP OF NICHOLS RESEARCH CORP.

(TICKER: NRES), SOLD 350 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0414 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WILLIAM S ANTLE III, PRES. OF OAK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: OAK), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,000.

-30- 312
#90219c0415 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DREW ST J CARNEAL, VP OF OWENS & MINOR INC. (TICKER: OMI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 654.

-30- 306
#90219c0416 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, GLENN J DOZIER, VP OF OWENS & MINOR INC. (TICKER: OMI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90219c0417 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, GLENN J DOZIER, VP OF OWENS & MINOR INC. (TICKER: OMI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 302
#90219c0418 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, BARRY M BLOOM, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PFIZER INC. (TICKER: PFE), SOLD 7,191 SHARES AT $75.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,847.

-30- 318

#90219c0419 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, GEOFFREY PLACE, OFFICER OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $86.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90219c0420 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, WILLIAM P CADDEN, OFFICER OF PROGRESSIVE CORP.(OH) (TICKER: PGR), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,529.

-30- 328
#90219c0422 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, MICHAEL J YOMAZZO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PHOTRONIC INC. (TICKER: PLAB), SOLD 41,467 SHARES AT $9.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,573.

-30- 332
#90219c0423 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, P L C BOOKER, BEN. OWNER OF LEINER (P.) NUTRITIONAL PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: PLI), BOUGHT 243,224 SHARES AT $11.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,025,966.

-30- 364
#90219c0424 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, NOEL G POSTERNAK, DIR. OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC), SOLD 22,922 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90219c0425 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JOHN W ROLLINS JR, DIR. OF ROLLINS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: REN), SOLD 6,250 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 240,000.

-30- 341
#90219c0426 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, WILLIAM C TURNER, OFFICER OF SALOMON INC. (TICKER: SB), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90219c0427 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, WILLIAM C TURNER, OFFICER OF SALOMON INC. (TICKER: SB), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $26.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 305
#90219c0428 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, FRED J SUTTON, PRES. OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0430 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1990, FRED J SUTTON, PRES. OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,127.

-30- 307
#90219c0431 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JOSEPH E MADIGAN, DIR. OF SKYLINE CHILI INC. (TICKER: SKCH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 315
#90219c0432 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 27, 1990, ROYCE C SEIFERT, DIR. OF SELLERSVILLE SAVINGS & LOAN ASSN. (TICKER: SLRV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90219c0433 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 27, 1990, ROYCE C SEIFERT, DIR. OF SELLERSVILLE SAVINGS & LOAN ASSN. (TICKER: SLRV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90219c0434 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1990, ROYCE C SEIFERT, DIR. OF SELLERSVILLE SAVINGS & LOAN ASSN. (TICKER: SLRV), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90219c0435 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, DAVID MATTER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SIMETCO INC. (TICKER: SMET), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,006.

-30- 319
#90219c0436 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 20, 1989, CHRISTOPHER T MCGOWAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SPCL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90219c0438 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, BRIDGE CAPITAL INVESTORS II, BEN. OWNER OF SERV-TECH INC. (TICKER: STEC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90219c0439 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, BRIDGE CAPITAL INVESTORS II, BEN. OWNER OF SERV-TECH INC. (TICKER: STEC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90219c0440 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, BRIDGE CAPITAL INVESTORS II, BEN. OWNER OF SERV-TECH INC. (TICKER: STEC), SOLD 14,250 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 503,983.

-30- 347
#90219c0441 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JAMES B GOODWIN, DIR. OF SERV-TECH INC. (TICKER: STEC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0442 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JAMES B GOODWIN, DIR. OF SERV-TECH INC. (TICKER: STEC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0443 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JAMES B GOODWIN, DIR. OF SERV-TECH INC. (TICKER: STEC), SOLD 14,250 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 503,983.

-30- 310
#90219c0444 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JEROL C DOWNER, VP OF SPROUSE-REITZ STORES INC. (TICKER: STRS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 260.

-30- 315
#90219c0446 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, DAVID I HIRSH, DIR. OF SYNERGEN INC. (TICKER: SYGN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 278,750.

-30- 302
#90219c0447 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, LARRY SOLL, CHAIRMAN OF SYNERGEN INC. (TICKER: SYGN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90219c0448 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, LARRY SOLL, CHAIRMAN OF SYNERGEN INC. (TICKER: SYGN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90219c0449 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, LARRY SOLL, CHAIRMAN OF SYNERGEN INC. (TICKER: SYGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 170,907.

-30- 304
#90219c0450 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, DAVID D HUNTER, VP OF TALLEY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 302
#90219c0451 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, STENDER E SWEENEY, VP OF THE TIMES MIRROR CO. (TICKER: TMC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $29.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0452 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, STENDER E SWEENEY, VP OF THE TIMES MIRROR CO. (TICKER: TMC), SOLD 272 SHARES AT $29.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,600.

-30- 306
#90219c0454 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, GARY H COX, VP OF TRION INC. (TICKER: TRON), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,750.

-30- 283
#90219c0455 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, MONTANA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF TSI INC. (TICKER: TSII), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,533,353.

-30- 296
#90219c0456 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, EDWARD W MARSHALL JR, VP OF TRANS WORLD MUSIC CORP. (TICKER: TWMC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,109.

-30- 324
#90219c0457 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JAMES R WILLIAMSON, VP OF TRANS WORLD MUSIC CORP. (TICKER: TWMC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90219c0458 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90219c0459 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0460 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $26.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0462 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0463 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0464 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0465 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0466 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0467 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0468 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0470 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $25.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0471 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0472 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $25.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0473 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0474 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0475 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0476 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $26.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0478 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0479 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0480 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0481 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0482 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0483 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,700,714.

-30- 324
#90219c0484 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0486 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0487 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0488 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 17,100 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90219c0489 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0490 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0491 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0492 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0494 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0495 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 16,400 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90219c0496 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0497 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0498 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0499 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0500 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0502 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 7,200 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0503 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0504 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0505 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $22.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0506 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 8,100 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0507 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0508 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0510 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0511 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0512 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90219c0513 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0514 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0515 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90219c0516 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90219c0518 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90219c0519 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0520 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $26.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0521 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0522 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0523 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0524 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0526 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0527 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0528 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0529 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0530 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $25.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0531 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0532 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $25.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0534 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0535 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0536 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $26.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0537 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0538 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0539 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0540 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0542 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0543 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,700,714.

-30- 314
#90219c0544 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0545 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0546 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER:

VIA), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0547 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0548 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 17,100 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90219c0550 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0551 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0552 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0553 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER:

VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0554 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0555 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 16,400 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90219c0556 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0558 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0559 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0560 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER:

VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0561 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0562 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 7,200 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0563 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0564 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0566 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 8,100 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0567 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER:

VIA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0568 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0569 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $22.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0570 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0571 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0572 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90219c0574 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER:

VIA), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0575 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90219c0576 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90219c0577 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,770,014.

-30- 314
#90219c0578 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 23, 1990, WALTER MARKOWITZ, OFFICER OF VTX ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: VTX), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 320
#90219c0579 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1990, STANLEY J EDWARDS, DIR. OF WOODBINE PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: WDBN), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90219c0580 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 25, 1990, STANLEY J EDWARDS, DIR. OF WOODBINE PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: WDBN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 498,416.

-30- 328
#90219c0582 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, STANLEY J EDWARDS, DIR. OF WOODBINE PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: WDBN), SOLD 19,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90219c0583 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 06, 1990, STANLEY J EDWARDS, DIR. OF WOODBINE PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: WDBN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90219c0584 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, STANLEY J EDWARDS, DIR. OF WOODBINE PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: WDBN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90219c0585 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, STANLEY J EDWARDS, DIR. OF WOODBINE PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: WDBN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90219c0586 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, STANLEY J EDWARDS, DIR. OF WOODBINE PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: WDBN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90219c0587 08/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, STANLEY J EDWARDS, DIR. OF WOODBINE PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: WDBN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90219c0588 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, STANLEY J EDWARDS, DIR. OF WOODBINE PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: WDBN), SOLD 400,000 SHARES AT $0.11 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,416.

-30- 330
#90219c0590 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, THOMAS J ROLFS, DIR. OF ZIEGLER CO. (TICKER: ZEGL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,318.

-30- 293
#90219c0591 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JOHNSTON PETER O LAWSON, CHAIRMAN OF ZEMEX CORP. (TICKER: ZMX), BOUGHT 8,772 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,702.

-30- 318
#90219c0592 08/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JOHNSTON PETER O LAWSON, CHAIRMAN OF ZEMEX CORP. (TICKER: ZMX), BOUGHT 10,409 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90219d2240 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 7) - Crude oil prices rose to 24.75 dollars a barrel on Tokyo's spot market Tuesday morning, up 2.5 dollars from Monday's closing level, traders said.

It was higher than the closing price of 24.05 dollars in New York overnight.

Crude oil prices have been on the steady rise on the Tokyo market since Thursday, when Iraq invaded Kuwait.

-30- 535

#90219d2400 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 7) - Chinese Premier Li Peng will make a three-day visit to Singapore from Saturday, the foreign ministry confirmed Tuesday.

A ministry statement said Mr. Li, who is making the visit at the invitation of his Singapore counterpart, Lee Kuan Yew, will call on President Wee Kim Wee.

He will also have talks with Mr. Lee and First Deputy Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong.

Mr. Li will be accompanied by Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, Minister for Foreign Economic Relations and Trade Zheng Tuobin and senior officials, the statement added.

-30- 743

#90219d2470 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 7) - Nine children were killed and 20 injured Tuesday when a school bus in which they were travelling was hit by a passenger train in the northwestern Indian state of Rajasthan.

The accident occurred at an unmanned railway gate near Jaipur city. Seven of the injured children were in critical condition in local hospitals.

United News of India news agency quoted local officials as saying the bus driver miscalculated the time for crossing the railway track while the passenger train was approaching the point.

-30- 719

#90219d2650 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 7) - Japan's Trade Conference, chaired by Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, decided Tuesday to set up a working panel to further promote imports, officials said.

The body, called the Import Board, will be made up of Japanese government officials as well as Japanese and foreign businessmen, and will study measures to boost Japanese imports, they said.

The 30-member Trade Conference is composed of economic and trade ministers and private sector trade experts.

-30- 669
#90219d2710 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 7) - The Gulf crisis sent the price of North Sea Brent crude soaring by more than two dollars to 28.65 a barrel on the London physical market here Tuesday.

North Sea oil closed at 26.10 dollars on Monday.

-30- 365
#90219d2730 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein told a ranking U.S. diplomat that Iraq would attack Saudi Arabia if it shuts down oil pipelines carrying Iraqi crude across its territory to the Red Sea, The Washington Post reported Tuesday.

The Post, citing an unidentified official, said Mr. Hussein delivered the specific warning Monday in a meeting with U.S. charge d'affairs in Baghdad, James Wilson.

The Iraqi president further warned that if U.S forces intervened in the region, Iraq would "embarass" the United States, the official told the Post.

Mr. Hussein also told Mr. Wilson that Kuwait now belongs to Iraq and there would be no going back, administration officials told the Post. One official characterized his message as: "It's a done deal."

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler noted Monday that Mr. Wilson had been summoned to the meeting with Mr. Hussein but declined to comment on the contents of the two-hour discussion.

"We viewed it as a very serious meeting," she said.

Meanwhile, the Pentagon presented U.S. President George Bush with a proposal for a multinational naval force, including the Soviet Union, should it be necessary to enforce a U.N. trade embargo against Iraq, the Post said.

The newspaper, citing U.S. officials monitoring the buildup of naval forces in the Middle East, said a Soviet guided missile destroyer with two supply ships was reported entering the strait of Hormuz, which leads into the Gulf.

The French government was preparing to send three warships to supplement two French ships already stationed in the Gulf and Briton has ordered in

two more ships to support the cruiser HMS York, the officials told the Post.

The United States has aircraft carrier-led battle groups in the eastern Mediterranean and in the Arabian sea, and has ordered the carrier Saratoga the battleship Wisconsin and eight other ships to set sail Tuesday for the eastern Mediterranean.

-30- 2173

#90219d2740 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 7) - An army sergeant was acquitted Tuesday of the 1986 murder of Rolando Olalia, leader of the Philippines' largest legal leftist group, government television reported.

A local court in Antipolo town east of here acquitted Sergeant Franco Espartero of the murder of Mr. Olalia and his driver in November 1986, saying it had no evidence he was involved, state-run television reported.

Sgt. Espartero spent the past three years in jail after he was arrested on murder charges.

The killing of Mr. Olalia, who headed the New Nationalist Alliance (BAYAN), the country's largest leftist labor coalition, sparked a public outcry amid accusations that the government of President Corazon Aquino was incapable of controlling the military.

BAYAN has been accused by the military of being a front for communist insurgents, and rightist forces in the military are widely suspected of having abducted and killed Mr. Olalia and his driver.

-30- 1142

#90219d2760 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (AUG. 7) - Australia's largest bank, Westpac Banking Corp., said Tuesday it would cut its prime rate and home loan rate in response to Canberra's recent easing of monetary policy.

Stuart Fowler, Westpac's managing director, said the prime rate for business customers would be cut 0.5 percentage points to 17.75 per cent next Monday.

The floating home loan rate will also be cut by 0.25 percentage points to 16.25 per cent on September 3, he said.

Mr. Fowler said he welcomed the recent move easing of interest rates by the central Reserve Bank, which last week cut official cash rates by about one per cent.

-30- 798
#90219d2800 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (AUG. 7) - The Philippine Air Force is seeking as much as 76 billion pesos (3.16 billion dollars) over 10 years to upgrade its aircraft and equipment, spokesman Avelino Abiol said here Tuesday.

Colonel Abiol said the air force commander, Major General Gerardo Protacio, had made the request at a meeting with legislators Monday.

The congressmen were reportedly sympathetic to the general's call for the 10-year modernization program, which he estimated would cost between 62.52 to 76.1 billion pesos (2.6 to 3.16 billion dollars).

The plan would cover the acquisition of advanced fighter aircraft and weapons, including missiles, and upgrading radar and communications facilities.

The program is aimed at bringing the Philippine Air Force to par with other forces in the region, Col. Abiol said.

The Air Force hopes to acquire at least two squadrons of fighters and is eyeing the U.S.-made F-16 or F-5E, the French Mirage 2000, the Israeli Kfir or the British Harrier.

Col. Abiol said the F-16 was the first choice, but they may not be able to afford it, adding that the air force hoped to pay for the aircraft and materiel as much as possible through countertrade or the exchange of goods.

The Philippines used a counter-trade package to pay for 18 S211 trainer jets from the Italian firm Agusta early this year.

The Philippine Air Force is one of the most primitive in the region, its only fighter aircraft consisting of more than a dozen F-5 jets acquired in the 1960s.

Col. Abiol said the air force also expected to acquire 29 MD 520 helicopters from the United States, the first four arriving in mid-August and the rest spread out in small groups until 1992.

-30- 1890
#90219d2850 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANJUL (AUG. 7) - The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) is currently providing aid to nearly 400,000 Liberian refugees in neighbouring countries, a UNHCR official said here Monday.

Of this refugee total, 215,000 were in Guinea, 110,000 in Ivory Coast and more than 50,000 in Sierra Leone, Maxime-Leopold Zollner de Mederios, UNHCR delegate to West Africa, told Agence France-Presse.

The exodus was creating enormous problems for the host countries and the for international community assisting the three nations, he said.

"Figures rise so fast that contributions we have received up to now no longer cover all needs", he added.

He was in Banjul to discuss the refugee issue with Salim Ahmed Salim, secretary general of the Organization of African Unity (OAU).

Mr. Ahmed Salim attended a mini summit of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) that opened here Monday focussing on the Liberian civil war and the possible dispatch of a peace-keeping force to Liberia to end the fighting.

-30- 1231
#90219d2910 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (AUG. 7) - The new pro-Iraqi government in Kuwait Tuesday decided to equalize the value of the Kuwaiti and Iraqi dinars, the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported.

INA, citing a statement issued by the "provisional government of free Kuwait," said the move was consistent with the "national relations of the two brother countries as well as supreme Arab... principles."

But INA did not say when the step would be implemented.

Before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait last Thursday the Iraqi currency was trading at 1.115 Kuwaiti dinars.

-30- 733
#90219d3220 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (AUG. 7) - The West German unemployment rate rose in July for the first time this year to 6.4 percent of the workforce from 6.2 percent in June, official figures showed on Tuesday.

A total of 55,700 people became unemployed in July taking the total to 1,863,700.

The head of the federal labour office Heinrich Franke said that the increase was due entirely to seasonal factors linked to the end of the school year.

But the number of jobs available increased in all sectors of the economy because of the effects of the process of German unification, he said.

Meanwhile the economy ministry reported that the number of people employed in June hit a record high level of 28.4 million people, representing an increase of two million since 1983 and of one million during the last two years.

Most of the new jobs were created in service industries, and 60 percent of them were done by women.

-30- 1088

#90219d3360 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 7) - The International Finance Corp., an affiliate of the World Bank, announced Tuesday a 10-year bond issue for 10 billion yen (66 million dollars) with interest payable in Australian dollars.

The so-called dual currency offering, lead managed by Nikko Securities Co. Ltd. and Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan Ltd., carries a coupon rate of 7.1 per cent, the bank's Tokyo office said.

The issue price has been discounted to 95 per cent of face value, offering a yield to investors of around 7.47 per cent.

-30- 712

#90219d3390 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (AUG. 7) - Iraqi troops have killed one Thai national and detained more than 200 others in Kuwait, labour department officials said here Tuesday.

The victim, identified as Sangiam Kankaew, was a construction worker for the UGCC oil company, they said. He was shot dead Thursday while driving to a site near the border.

At least 200 Thai workers from sites near Kuwait city are still detained while eight workers were trapped in the Kuwait Tower, the officials added, citing a report from the Thai labour office in Iraq.

Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan said Monday he was ready to order the evacuation of thousands of Thai workers in Iraq and Kuwait if necessary.

-30- 859

#90219d3430 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (AUG. 7) - An attack on Iraq or Kuwait would have "disastrous repercussions," a leading newspaper warned here Tuesday, as the official

press insisted that the two countries were prepared to foil any foreign intervention.

"Iraqi troops knew very well what they were doing when they decided to back the revolution in Kuwait. They have studied all the possibilities and have decided to cut off any arm raised against Kuwait or Iraq," vowed the influential Al-Joumhouriya newspaper.

Iraq said it sent troops into Kuwait last Thursday at the request of the "provisional government of free Kuwait," which it claimed had toppled the ruling Al Sabah family.

But Al-Joumhouria stressed that "Baghdad needed no authorization to intervene ... because Kuwait is but a part of Iraqi territory that ... the British colonial powers took away from Baghdad to weaken Iraq and deprive it of a real outlet on the Gulf."

The Iraqi operation came two weeks after an oil and border dispute in which Baghdad accused Kuwait of stealing oil and encroaching on its territory in an unmarked part of their frontier.

Ath-Thawra newspaper warned those "getting ready to carry out an aggression against Iraq and or to foil the Kuwaiti revolution."

"They must think beforehand of the disastrous repercussions that any aggressive act on their part would trigger," the newspaper said.

The remarks were echoed by all newspapers here, with the warnings aimed at the United States and their "Zionist (Israeli)" allies.

"Wiping up the remains of imperialism is a sacred national duty that Iraq has taken upon itself to purge the Arab nation of plotters," said Al-Qadissiyah,
 published by the defense ministry.

"The Al Sabah regime is finished and a new situation is moving, created by our united people on its united territory in Kuwait and Iraq," the newspaper added.

-30- 2066
#90219d3490 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (AUG. 7) - Philippine President Corazon Aquino on Tuesday declined to wholly endorse broad sanctions imposed by the U.N. Security Council against Iraq, saying Manila would decide on specific measures with "our own national interest" in mind.

She said the United States would have to undertake "prior consultation with

our government" if Washington decided to launch a military operation against Baghdad from U.S. military bases in the Philippines.

"We will support all peaceful means to resolve this dispute, including those within the framework of the United Nations," Mrs. Aquino But she said "specific measures" would have to be decided "in the light of their merits in each given case depending on the facts and circumstances prevailing and taking into account our own national interest".

The U.N. Security Council on Monday overwhelmingly passed a resolution imposing mandatory trade, financial and military sanctions against Baghdad.

Philippine foreign department sources said its experts had counselled Manila to go no further than to support the current U.N. effort to seek a peaceful resolution to the conflict and that no condemnation should be made.

They said Manila needed Baghdad's support within the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC) to foil the membership bid in the OIC of the Moro National Liberation Front, which has been waging a separatist campaign in the south of the country.

The sources, who asked not to be named, said foreign department experts also feared the country's oil imports from Kuwait and Iraq would be cut and were concerned for the safety of close to half a million Filipino overseas workers in the Gulf if war engulfed the whole region.

The Philippines has up to 80,000 workers in Kuwait and 5,000 workers in Iraq. It imported more than 20 per cent of its oil from Kuwait and Baghdad in 1989.

Manila had recently been negotiating with Baghdad a new framework for an economic relationship based on Iraqi oil exports and a flexible commitment to buy Philippine products.

-30- 2244

#90219d3540 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT MORESBY (AUG. 7) - Australian miner CRA Ltd. on Tuesday said it hoped to return to Bougainville island in Papua New Guinea, the site of its giant copper mine and the focus of the South Pacific's bloodiest conflict since World War II.

Speaking two days after the end of peace talks between the government of Papua New Guinea and secessionist rebels on Bougainville, Ian Johnson, CRA's chief here, said the company was keen to return to the island once the crisis was over.

"We certainly hope to go back to Bougainville and we are fully committed to going back," he said.

The company, which owns 53.6 percent of Bougainville Copper Ltd. (BCL), believes most of its assets have been damaged on the island since the government imposed a transport and communications blockade in May in response to a unilateral declaration of independence, he said.

Representatives of the Bougainville Revolutionary Army reached an agreement with the government this week to return services to the island, the site of a 16-month war which claimed more than 80 lives before a March cease-fire.

The Bougainville mine was mothballed in May last year during the height of the conflict, which began when government forces took the side of the company against local landowners seeking compensation for damages caused by mining.

"The government is clearly engaged in an activity that is much bigger than the Bougainville mine and at a subsequent time we will be asked to get involved in negotiations," Johnson said.

"We have been told of course that there will be re-negotiations of the mining agreement and the terms and conditions under which it operates.

"We are ready to do that when called upon," he said.

BCL's copper agreement, which should have been reviewed twice in 1981 and 1988, was allowed to lapse.

The company initially estimated that damage to equipment would be about 75 million U.S. dollars, but according to Johnson the figure could be higher.

-30- 2184

#90219d3570 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (AUG. 7) - The official number of people unemployed in East Germany in July was 270,017 or 3.1 percent of the workforce, representing an increase of 130,000 over June, officials said here on Tuesday.

Secretary of State for Labour Horts Kinitz said that 656,200 people were on part-time work which was particularly marked in agriculture where 12 percent of employees did not have work for a full week, textile and clothing 12 percent, and electronics nine percent.

At the end of July the economy had 27,728 job vacancies.

East Germany Secretary of State for the Economy Martin Dube said on Tuesday

that one million East Germans were either wholly or partially unemployed.

Meanwhile the official responsible for privatising East German companies, Reiner Golke, said that the East German economy was in chaos and that the next six months would be the most difficult.

"The economic situation is more dramatic than I had imagined, it is complete chaos, nothing is normal," Golke, who is responsible for privatizing 8,000 companies, told the East German Neue Zeit daily newspaper.

Golke, who was formerly head of the West German Bundesbahn rail network, said: "We're going from one abyss to another."

But he said that he was confident because the economy had "remarkable resources" and "well-trained people", and that "company chiefs are incredibly motivated, they see their salvation in the market economy".

-30- 1622

#90219d3850 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (AUG. 7) - Brazil has invited 30 of its creditors holding more than half its foreign debt with private banks to send representatives to Brazil for an exchange of ideas before formal debt restructuring talks begin.

The government issued invitations to its principal creditor banks Monday by telegram, the government's chief debt negotiator, Jorio Dauster, told reporters.

The talks, he said, would give the government the opportunity to learn the banks' position before presenting them with a debt renegotiation proposal.

He said the talks probably would be held between Aug. 20 and Sept. 14, probably after the conclusion of negotiations with the International Monetary Fund for a 1.4 billion dollar stand-by credit.

An IMF technical mission is currently in Brasilia gathering information on the Brazilian economy for a report to Michel Camdessus, the IMF's managing director.

After that report is approved, Brazil will draft a letter of intent with the IMF to obtain a loan and then begin formal negotiations with the World Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, the member countries of the Club of Paris and the commercial banks.

The 30 commercial banks invited to Brasilia hold 54 percent of the country's 72.1 billion dollar debt with private international banks.

Brazil's foreign debt, the Third World's largest, amounts to 114.7 billion dollars.

Without officially declaring a unilateral moratorium, Brazil suspended interest and amortization payments on its foreign debt in July 1989, because its foreign reserves had dropped to the critical level of seven billion dollars.

Brazil's foreign reserves are currently about eight billion dollars while its arrears total some 5.5 billion dollars, Dauster said.

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#90219d3890 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 7) - The WPP Group, the biggest advertising group in the world, on Tuesday reported that six-monthly profits were up by 76 percent from 26.03 million pounds in the same period of last year, to 46.03 million pounds (86 million dollars).

Sales rose by 74.6 percent to 2.25 billion pounds against 1.288 billion pounds.

The results were better than had been expected by analysts who had forecast 44 million pounds.

For the first time the results included the performance of Ogilvy and Mather which was taken over in June 1989.

In early trading WPP shares rose by 17 pence to 583 pence.

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#90219d4000 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 7) - Four Britons resident in Liberia are among 16 hostages taken in the capital Monrovia by maverick rebel leader Prince Johnson, the Foreign Office said here Tuesday.

The others included five Lebanese, two Liberians, two Germans, a Dutchman, an American and an Argentinian.

News from Liberia was "confused", the Foreign Office said, but Mr. Johnson had apparently said the captives would soon be freed, though without making it clear whether they would be released all together.

Some of the hostages had reportedly met up with journalists and were said to be in good health.

Mr. Johnson threatened last Saturday to arrest foreigners, which prompted intervention by U.S. marines from warships offshore.

Using helicopters, they evacuated nearly l00 people, mostly Americans, on Sunday and Monday.

Mr. Johnson was one of the leaders in the offensive launched late in December by former civil servant Charles Taylor to oust President Samuel Doe. He has since fallen out with Mr. Taylor, and their guerrilla forces have been fighting each other on the outskirts of Monrovia.

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#90219d4010 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 7) - Soviet deputy foreign minister Alexandre Belonogov met Tuesday with the U.S. Ambassador in Moscow, Jack Matlock, to discuss the Gulf crisis, the Soviet news agency Tass said.

The two diplomats "studied questions linked to the situation created in the Gulf by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait", the agency said.

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#90219d4060 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 7) - The Soviet Union is to have an exchange market next year where companies operating in the country can buy and sell foreign currencies against rubles, TASS news agency said Tuesday.

The decision marks a first step in the process towards making the ruble convertible, the date for which is usually given as the year 2000.

The authorities are now anxious to speed up the process given the current economic crisis, observers said.

The cabinet had decided Saturday to set up such a market as of January 1, TASS said.

The move was aimed at preparing the transition to a market economy and "developing wide cooperation of many types with foreign countries", the official news agency said.

The government's decision provided for the setting up of a "permanent federal market in Moscow, as well as regional and republican markets, which will be the centres for all dealings concerned with foreign currency to be carried out on the basis of market rates," TASS said.

The ruble is currently a non-convertible currency, with several rates operating. The dollar is officially worth 0.6 rubles at the commercial

rate, six rubles at the rate offered tourists and some 15 rubles on the black market.

"As of January 1, 1991, all enterprises having a judicial status in the Soviet Union will have the right to buy and sell foreign currency with Soviet rubles at the market rate," the government announcement said.

Trading would be based on "supply and demand on Soviet territory through interbank operations, operations on the exchange market, auction sales and other forms allowed by the law," it added.

Operations in the exchange markets would be controlled by the state bank, Gosbank, the foreign trade bank Vnechekonombank and the finance ministry.

The rate of the ruble could be regulated by using the federal and republican governments' exchange reserves and "foreign banks' means", TASS said.

Two foreign currency auctions have been held in the Soviet Union in the past year, and reforms to the law on enterprises in 1988 gave enterprises the right to open foreign currency accounts for their foreign dealings.

Since August 1, Soviet citizens have been allowed to hold foreign currency and spend it in special shops which accept only foreign money.

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#90219d4090 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 7) - Richard Lugar, head of the U.S. Senate subcommittee on Asia-Pacific affairs, will visit the Philippines from August 12 to 15 and will tour U.S. facilities in this country, diplomatic sources said here Tuesday.

He will meet President Corazon Aquino, Finance Secretary Jesus Estanislao and Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos, the sources said.

Mr. Lugar will also visit the northern city of Baguio, which was devastated by a major earthquake on July 16, they said.

He is to visit the U.S. Clark Air Base and Subic Naval Base in the northern Philippines as well as tour two U.S.-assisted economic projects in the southern city of General Santos, the sources added.

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#90219d4100 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SPRINGS, South Africa (AUG. 7) - Julian Ogilvie Thompson, chairman of the giant Anglo American Corporation (AAC) announced here Tuesday a 514 million

rand (198 million dollar) capital injection into the Mondi paper group.

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#90219d4200 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (AUG. 7) - Iraq on Tuesday denied it had threatened to attack Saudi Arabia, citing its non-aggression pact with the kingdom, as reports emerged of preparations to evacuate foreign residents from both Iraq and Kuwait.

An Iraqi spokesman said Baghdad was convinced that Saudi Arabia would not shut down a vital pipeline that carries Iraqi oil across Saudi territory to export terminals on the Red Sea.

"We don't believe that Saudi Arabia will stop crude oil from passing through its territory because this would seriously harm Iraq and nothing would justify such an action," said the spokesman, quoted by the Iraqi News Agency.

The United States was meanwhile moving swiftly to bolster its eight-vessel naval presence in the Gulf, as were Britain, France and -- according to U.S. press reports -- the Soviet Union.

Two U.S. aircraft carriers, the USS Eisenhower and the USS Independence, moved within range of launching warplanes that could reach Iraqi targets, U.S. Defense Department sources said.

The Iraqi spokesman denied a report earlier Tuesday in The Washington Post that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had told the U.S. charge d'affaires in Baghdad that Iraq would attack Saudi Arabia if it shut down the pipeline.

He dismissed the Post article as part of a "conspiracy" aimed at "sowing confusion and dividing (Arab) ranks."

Regional analysts have said the Saudi pipeline, along with two others passing through Turkey to the Mediterranean, will have to be closed if an international embargo on purchases of Iraqi oil is to be effective.

The campaign to isolate Iraq has been spearheaded by the United States in the aftermath of Baghdad's August 2 invasion of neighboring Kuwait.

Amid speculation on Saudi reluctance to antagonize Iraq and its million-strong army, U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney travelled to Jeddah on Monday to meet King Fahd.

As Baghdad's standoff with the rest of the world intensified, concern mounted over the fate of some 200 foreigners, mostly British and American, who had been rounded up by Iraqi troops in Kuwait on Monday and taken by

bus to Iraq.

But in Amman, Jordan, a Western diplomatic source said preparations were underway there for the evacuation of foreign residents from both Kuwait and Iraq.

In Rome, Iraqi Ambassador Mohammad al-Sahaf declared that his government "had made clear its readiness to facilitate the evacuation of foreigners to Iraq, where they could leave for Jordan."

There are some 3,800 U.S. citizens living in Kuwait, as well as 3,000 Britons, 300 West Germans and 250 French residents.

The United States warned that Iraq would be held responsible for the safety of the U.S. citizens detained on Monday, but added: "It's premature to call them hostages."

Nevertheless, the status of foreigners in both Kuwait and Iraq could prove a factor in U.S. military planning. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Monday that Washington was discussing "military possibilities" with Gulf states to prevent Iraq from expanding its invasion into Saudi Arabia.

Defense analysts in Washington have said the United States is not contemplating a land-based operation but has not ruled out air strikes on Iraqi economic and military targets.

The six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council, grouping Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Oman and Bahrain, was to hold a ministerial meeting in Saudi Arabia later Tuesday.

The members of the GCC, with enormous oil resources, are seen as being most vulnerable to any Iraqi expansion in the region.

Iraqi forces invaded Kuwait last Thursday after Baghdad accused its southern neighbor of joining a U.S.-inspired conspiracy to exceed its oil production quota and harm the Iraqi economy by depressing world prices.

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#90219d4230 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (AUG. 7) - A lasting peace in Cambodia is closer than at any time since the war began 11 years ago, Australian Foreign Minister Gareth Evans said as he wrapped up a two-day vist to Thailand on Tuesday.

Mr. Evans, in an upbeat mood after a 30-minute meeting with Thai Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan which included discussion of Cambodia, said a comprehensive solution was "closer to completion than has been the case in any previous time.

"There are many more pieces in place than before," he added.

But he stressed that a proper agreement must include the Khmer Rouge, saying that if it is left out a genuine, lasting solution would be impossible.

"The Supreme (National) Council (a proposed transitional body), whatever the composition, must genuinely represent all strands. If any group is left out it is more likely to put the chances of peace back," said Mr. Evans.

The future role of the Khmer Rouge, held responsible for killing hundreds of thousands of Cambodians while in power from 1975-1979, has been the major stumbling block to peace in Cambodia.

Mr. Evans described recent suggestions that the Khmer Rouge was dangerously close to taking Phnom Penh as being alarmist.

He said the guerrillas' present tactics "were nothing much more than hit and run. There is no risk at present to Phnom Penh falling," he said.

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#90219d4270 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 7) - The British Broadcasting Corporation said Tuesday Iraq had stepped up attempts to jam its World Service broadcasts in Arabic since the invasion of Kuwait.

A number of shortwave frequencies were affected, but none carrying World Service programmes in English.

''Jamming the Bbc is always the last resort of those who wish to suppress the truth. In a way it is a tribute to the role of the World Service at times of crisis,'' said service deputy chief David Witherow.

The Bbc said its engineers traced the jamming to a site south of Baghdad. It displayed a so-called ''wobble-type'' electronic modulation typically associated with Iraqi interference. Iraq had first tried to jam the Bbc during the war with Iran.

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#90219d4390 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROUBAIX, France (AUG. 7) - French thermal underwear maker Damart said Tuesday it had taken control of the Valero company and its Orvale holding, France's leading lingerie maker.

Damart already held a 25 percent stake in Orvale and will inject 100 million francs (18.5 million dollars) into Valero.

Valero, set up in 1986, produces lingerie under the Silhouette and Tropic labels and under licence for Yves-Saint-Laurent, and had a turnover of 700 million francs (129 million dollars) last year.

Damart saw its consolidated net profit fall 4.8 percent last year to 145.6 million francs (27 million dollars), and said the Valero acquisition would enable it to pursue the necessary diversification of the thermal underwear specialists after three mild winters.

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#90219d4410 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (AUG. 7) - Turkey, as Iraq's neighbor a new focus of attention in the Gulf crisis, for the last 10 years has allowed the U.S. Army use of "facilities" where U.S. fighters and bombers maintain a permanent rotation.

Western military sources here said under the agreement, 14 to 18 U.S. F-111 bombers and 44 F-16 fighters were in permanent rotation on the Turkish air base of Incirlik, near Adana not far from the Syrian border and 600 kilometers (375 miles) from the border with Iraq.

The F-111 from bases in the United States and Britain and the F-16 from the base in Toreron in Spain are all part of rotating squadron known as the 39th tactical group, the source said.

The latest group of 14 F-111 bombers arrived in Turkey on July 19 and was scheduled to return to Britain on August 10, a separate source close to the U.S. Embassy here said.

Turkey temporarily cut back these "facilities" in a retaliatory measure in late 1989 when the U.S. Senate tried to push through a resolution to designate a date of national remembrance for the "Armenian genocide of 1915 to 1923" under the former Ottomin Empire.

But the Senate failed to pass the resolution and Ankara later restored use of the facilities.

They are part of a five-year framework between Ankara and Washington called the Defense and Cooperation Agreement (DECA), which is due to expire on December 18.

DECA, signed on March 29, 1980 in Ankara, granted U.S. military forces various "facilities" in 12 installations under Turkish Army headquarters, under the heading "support for North Atlantic Treaty Organization defense plans".

The Incirlik air base is the biggest of these installations, and under the DECA accord the U.S. Army has use of its airfield, of the Mediterranean port of Iskenderun, and access to oil supplies at Yumurtalik, at the terminal of an Iraqi pipeline that crosses Turkey.

The number of U.S. military personnel present in Turkey is a classified secret. The sources estimate their number at 5,000 to 10,000, though said it was difficult to know how may were there with NATO or how many as military instructors in the Turkish army.

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#90219d4540 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 7) - The five percent increase in fuel prices since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait could push Britain's inflation rate to as high as 10.7 percent in August from the current 9.8 percent, according to some City economists.

Oil companies have already raised petrol prices by between 5.5 and 10.5 pence per gallon (2.3 to 4.3 U.S. cents per litre).

David Cocker of Chemical Bank said these rises would push year on year inflation to 10.7 percent in August, instead of the previously predicted 10.1 percent and the current 9.8 percent.

James Capel is predicting year on year inflation of 10.6 percent in August, while UBS-Phillips and Drew put it at 10.3 percent and 9.25 percent for the whole of 1990.

The rise in oil prices will have only a marginally beneficial effect on the country's balance of payments and public coffers, given that North Sea oil accounted for only 6.4 percent of exports and 1.2 percent of state revenue last year.

The London Business School has calculated that oil prices of 28 to 30 dollars a barrel would mean a 0.2 percent reduction in the growth of the British economy in 1991 and 1992.

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#90219d4550 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 7) - Japan, by showing solidarity for the first time with the United States and the European Community over a Middle East crisis, appears ready to assume an international political role compatible with its economic might, analysts here said Tuesday.

In the past, Japan always maintained its own economic interests above any

political considerations, they said, citing as an example Tokyo's refusal to participate in the embargo against Iran during the 1979 hostages crisis.

The Japanese government has displayed unusual political courage not only by joining the embargo on Iraqi oil and following U.S. and EEC actions, but by announcing its own sanctions without even waiting for the United Nations commercial, financial and military boycott to be voted.

As early as Sunday evening, Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu had banned all crude imports from Iraq and Kuwait, suspended all exports to the two countries and branded President Saddam Hussein's invasion of Iraq's small southern neighbor as the "unpardonbable conduct of a sovereign state."

It was the first time Japan, which is totally dependent on imports for its oil needs, had decided on such an embargo.

But it was not an easy decision.

Iraq and Kuwait together provide 12 per cent of Japan's oil needs, and Tokyo's powerful ministry of international trade and industry (MITI) did not favor such harsh action.

One reason is that Japanese businessmen fear Iraq will simply stop paying back some 700 billion yen (about 4.6 billion dollars) it owes them.

Another source of concern is that by joining the international sanctions against Iraq, the government may have jeopardized the safety of some 200 of its citizens trapped in Kuwait by Thursday's invasion.

But the firm action by Mr. Kaifu, whose popularity in opinion polls is constantly on the rise, is only the latest in a series of assertive moves by Japan to seek international diplomatic clout comparable to the economic power it wields.

In June, the government organized a meeting among rival Cambodian factions in a bid to bring peace to the war-torn Southeast Asian country and end 11 years of strife there.

Japan has begun a dialogue with communist North Korea to thaw the ties frozen in a Cold War atmosphere for more than four decades, with former vice-premier Shin Kanemaru, an influential leader of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, expected to visit Pyongyang in late September.

The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait is also likely to give an added dimension to the Middle Eastern tour Mr. Kaifu will undertake later this month.

The trip, which had been planned and announced well before the latest crisis in the region, will take the premier to Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Oman,

Jordan and Egypt from August 15 to 27.

It will likely be the first trip to the region by a head of government actively participating in the anti-Iraq boycott.

The aim of the visit was originally to promote economic and cultural ties with the five countries, but the international community will now be observing the visit with particular care.

The tour -- the first to the Middle East by a Japanese premier in 12 years -- will give Mr. Kaifu the opportunity to tell the region how petroleum importing countries feel about the clash with Baghdad, and also to sound out regional countries on how to achieve peace in a part of the world whose oil supplies are vital to Western industrial powers.

But he will not be able to play the conciliatory role he apparently relishes -- as he has done in the Cambodian conflict -- because of the firmness of Japan's stand against the Iraqi invasion.

"Japan is not in a position to mediate in the conflict," a Japanese official commented, "because we have put our thumbs down on Iraq."

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#90219d4650 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (AUG. 7) - Kenyan political prisoners are being held in the psychiatric wing of Nairobi's Kamiti jail in filth and squalor reminiscent of Stalin's prison camps, a journalist freed last week said Tuesday.

Gitobu Imanyara, a lawyer and editor of the Nairobi Law Monthly, was detained without trial for three weeks after calling for multi-party democracy in one-party Kenya, shaken by anti-government riots that cost 22 lives last month.

He was released two weeks ago only to be arrested immediately and then charged with sedition for publishing articles advocating political reform.

''After my arrest, I was transferred to a windowless cell in the psychiatric wing of Kamiti where I was held in custody for a week before being freed on bail,'' Mr. Imanyara told AFP.

''It's squalid and degrading. You never see sunlight. Political prisoners like myself and at least four others I saw were in solitary confinement, with dangerous certified lunatics in the adjoining cells.

''Their doors were left open, and they would run up and down the corridor and threw urine through the grill in my door into my cell. The stench and filth were sickening.

''I was given a chamber pot which I was allowed out to empty once a day. I had to use it as a washbasin too. We had to queue for meals with the lunatics in the corridor outside our cells.

''It's like the Gulag Archipelago,'' Mr. Imanyara said, referring to the novel about life in Soviet prison camps by exiled writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn.

''The idea is to dehumanise you. You've got to be strong to last two weeks without breaking.'' Mr. Imanyara faces a seven-year jail term if convicted of sedition.

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#90219d4720 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 7) - Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens warned on Tuesday that Israel would "act" if the Iraqi Army entered Jordanian territory.

"The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, has, so far, not had geo-strategic consequences for Israel, but if such a change occurs as a result of Iraqi troops entering Jordan, we'll act," he told parliament.

Israel has already warned that it would not tolerate any threat to its security, notably since it shares a sizeable border with Jordan.

"Israel is following with the greatest interest (Iraqi) President Saddam Hussein's machinations and is capable of defending its interests and security," Mr. Arens said.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said Friday he did not exclude the possibility of a "military initiative against Israel by the Iraqi president. We must be ready for that and be able to face all eventualities."

The armed forces chief of staff, General Dan Shomron, said Friday that "President Saddam Hussein knows that if he attacks us, he'll pay a high price...We have various answers to Iraq's chemical weapons and missiles."

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#90219d4780 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA (AUG. 7) - Prime Minister Andrei Lukanov handed in his government's resignation on Tuesday, as planned following the country's first free elections last June, though the composition of a new cabinet was still uncertain.

Mr. Lukanov, a member of the Socialist Party, the former communists who won a clear majority in the June elections, will now be charged by the new President Zhelio Zhelev with forming a new governement.

Until now, the opposition has refused to enter into a coalition governent dominated by the former communists. The Socialist Party, in turn, has refused to govern alone as Bulgaria takes on a new democratic system and tries to rise out of its deep economic crisis.

Observers said they expected the solution to be the formation of a government "of national responsibility" composed largely of technocrats.

This could be held off until September, after the various political forces in parliament reach a consensus on program of reforms to open the way to a market economy.

Until then, the outgoing government will stay on in a caretaker capacity.

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#90219d4790 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 7) - Some 850 Soviet citizens were in Kuwait during the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, and the women and children are to be evacuated shortly, the Soviet news agency Novosti said Tuesday.

The official news agency, quoting informed Soviet Foreign Ministry sources, reported shell damage to the fourth and fifth floor of the Soviet embassy, but said that no Soviet citizens had been killed or wounded during last Thurdsay's invasion.

Those to be evacuated would be taken to Dubai by sea before flying to Moscow.

The Soviet nationals working in Kuwait are embassy or trade mission employees, but are also concerned with technical maintenance or training Kuwaiti officials.

Some Soviet engineers and technicians are involved in constructing Kuwaiti oil installations at El-Ahmed, Novosti said.

The Soviet specialists, who live close to the Kuwaiti armed forces general staff where fighting raged after the invasion, would be "evacuated later", Novosti said.

It added that the Iraqi military had insisted on the evacuation of the building occupied by Novosti, "on the pretext of wanting to establish a security perimeter".

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#90219d4800 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PIETERSBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 7) - A South African farmer is to sue the South African Air Force (SAAF) after a pilot dropped a practice bomb near a farm worker in an onion field -- 16 kilometres (10 miles) off target.

Farmer Lourens de Jager said one of his workers, Elisa Huma, was blown clean into the air when the bomb landed on his farm about 400 kilometres (250 miles) northwest of Johannesburg, the Afrikaans daily newspaper Beeld reported Tuesday.

Mr. De Jager said it was the fifth time it had happened in the past three years. "If the air force can't hit the target, maybe the solution would be to move the target to where the bombs fell on my farm," he said.

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#90219d4810 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 7) - A group of 22 Japanese tourists crossed into Turkey from Iraq by bus Tuesday without difficulty, according to a television report here.

They were the first batch of Japanese to leave Iraq since the country closed its airports and borders after sending troops into Kuwait on Thursday.

"We could get out without much difficulty," Masako Nakata, one of the tourists, said in a telephone interview with a Japanese television network from the Turkish border town of Mardin.

The 22 were visiting Iraq as part of a group tour to see historical sites in the Middle East when Iraq invaded Kuwait.

Mrs. Nakata said the group was able to complete its itinerary in Iraq as planned.

They were among the 182 Japanese holidaymakers and businessmen visiting Iraq. There are also 307 Japanese nationals on long-term stays.

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#90219d4820 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HAMBURG (AUG. 7) - Citing higher costs on the Rotterdam oil market in the wake of the Gulf crisis, West German oil companies Tuesday announced price increases for petrol and heating fuels.

Esso was the first to raise per-litre prices for all grades of petrol by

six pfennigs (4 U.S. cents). Soon afterwards, other companies such as British Petroleum, Shell and Dea (formerly Texaco) announced price hikes on the same order.

An Esso spokesman said that since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait last Thursday, petrol prices in Rotterdam had shot up by 10 pfennigs per litre.

Heating oil prices were also rising on Rotterdam, a Dea spokesman said. Light heating oil there was now running at 395 Deutschmarks (251 dollars) per tonne, compared to 290 marks before the Iraqi invasion.

Fuel oil traders reported that end-user prices in West Germany were accordingly running at 7 to 10 Deutschmarks per 100 litres higher than a week ago.

However, there had been no panic buying by customers, the Dea spokesman said. Demand was lively but apparently people were awaiting further developments. Another factor was that many German households had already made their heating oil purcsases when prices were low in June and July.

A mobil Oil official in Hamburg said ''the whole scare will be over in a few days or in a week at the latest'' because in fact no real crisis in oil supplies was foreseen.

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#90219d5030 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (AUG. 7) - A new attack by Mozambican troops backed by Zimbabwe units could derail a second round of direct peace talks due to be held in Rome this week, the rebel movement RENAMO warned here Tuesday.

It said Zimbabwean troops were gathering in the Gorongoza region of the central province of Zambezia to boost government forces which aimed to recapture Inhaminga, Inhamitanga, Maringue, Canxixe and Inhamicala.

RENAMO leader Afonso Dhlakama "does not understand why Zimbabwe troops are preparing to back the government offensive at a time when Mozambicans are seeking a negotiated solution" to the 15-year conflict, a rebel statement said.

After a number of false starts in the past few years, the Maputo government and RENAMO (Mozambique National Resistance) had their first direct talks in the Italian capital last month.

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#90219d5090 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 7) - An Italian court has ordered the lifting of a freeze on

796 million dollars held by the Italian subsidiary of British bank Lloyds, a Lloyds Bank spokesman said here Tuesday.

The court at Pisa had ordered the freezing of the money on the request of two Italian businessmen involved in a three-year-old dispute with the British bank.

The same court had now lifted the freeze, the Lloyds Bank spokesman said, but could give no further details on the reason for the Italian court's decision.

The dispute with the Italian subsidiary involved two Italian import-export agents, Roberto Esposito and Antonio Marinari, who were arrested in 1987 in Manchester after trying to draw on their Lloyds account using Philippines letters of credit.

Lloyds believed that the letters of credit, received by the two Italians in payment for a contract in Lebanon, were false and had the two arrested.

Esposito and Marinari were acquitted by a British court in 1988 and have since tried to claim reparation through the Italian courts.

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#90219d5170 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KIGALI (AUG. 7) - The chief editor and three journalists on Rwanda's oldest newspaper, the Catholic fortnightly Kinyamateka which was founded in 1933, have been charged with sedition, sources at the publication said here Tuesday.

The charges relate to articles appearing from June to December last year asserting that the authorities were appropriating people's goods by buying vast properties.

Fr. Andre Sibomana, the editor, and writers Sylvestre Nkubili, Antoine Rwagahilima and Gaspard Gasasira are to appear in court in mid-September.

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#90219d5270 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 7) - The Paris stock market recovered on Tuesday after Monday's 5.12 percent plunge, with the CAC-40 index ending the day up 2.15 percent.

The market had opened the day down 0.93 percent, and was down one percent in early trading, but then started to recover on news from the Gulf, as Iraq denied it was planning to attack Saudi Arabia following last week's invasion of Kuwait, and indicated that foreigners would be evacuated from

both Iraq and Kuwait.

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#90219d5280 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HAMBURG, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 7) - The East German leadership knew about Libya's preparations to bomb a West Berlin discotheque frequented by U.S. servicemen and did nothing about it, the Hamburg mass-circulation Stern reported in its Thursday issue.

The bombing triggered the U.S. bombing of Tripoli.

Stern said that the East German intelligence service knew as early as 1985 that Libyans operating out of the Libyan Embassy in Berlin were planning to bomb "La Belle" discotheque in West Berlin.

They informed several leaders, including the East German leader Erich Honecker, who told them not to interfere.

The April 5 1986 bombing, in which three people died and 204 were injured, was followed on April 9 by the expulsion from West Germany of two Libyan diplomats.

On April 15, U.S. warplanes based in Britain and on aircraft carriers in the Mediterranean bombed Tripoli and Benghazi, killing 37 and injuring 87. In retaliation, three hostages, two Americans and one Briton, were executed in Beirut.

Stern added that on this past July 19, a Berlin court issued arrest warrants against six persons suspected of being the authors of the discotheque bombing.

They were identified as a Palestinian, Yasser Shraidi; a Libyan, Musbah Abdulgazem Eter; two Moroccans, Hamadi Abu Yabber and Mohammed Suleiman Benalli, and two Lebanese, Imad Salim Mahmoud and Ali Fuad Mansur, who was arrested in West Berlin on July 25, Stern said.

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#90219d5290 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (AUG. 7) - Pakistan's sacked prime minister Benazir Bhutto vacated the official residence here Tuesday and left for Karachi.

Ms. Bhutto, 37, whose 20-month rule ended abruptly Monday after President Ghulam Ishaq Khan dismissed her government, was allowed to travel for the last time on the special Boeing jet which had been hers to use as prime minister.

But party sources said other facilities at the premier's official residence were withdrawn shortly before her departure. Reporters watched as her household goods were packed up and transported to the airport in a truck.

U.S. Ambassador Robert Oakley met with Ms. Bhutto before she left Islamabad, diplomatic sources here said.

Dozens of her Pakistan People's Party (PPP) supporters were present to bid good-bye to their leader, who appeared composed. Talking to reporters, she reiterated that the president's move had been unjust.

"If he was sincere he would have appointed an impartial person as prime minister instead of naming Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi," she said, referring to the leader of the parliamentary opposition appointed caretaker premier.

About 50 party leaders, including ex-ministers and aides, accompanied her to Karachi on her flight.

Ms. Bhutto is expected to convene the PPP executive committee's meeting in Karachi before leaving for Larkana, her home town about 480 kilometers (300 miles) north of the port city.

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#90219d5350 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (AUG. 7) - The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) has appointed Ed Nijpels of the Netherlands its goodwill ambassador, UNEP's executive director Mostafa Tolba annouced here Tuesday.

Mr. Nijpels, mayor of the Netherlands city of Breda and former Dutch housing, physical planning and environment minister, joins such other goodwill ambassadors as entertainer Olivia Newton-John and Swedish actor Max Von Sydow.

Mr. Nijpels, who is also chairman of his country's the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF), the Forest Against Carbon Dioxide Emissions (FACE) foundation, and Foundation for the Recycling of Durable Consumer Goods, will help to promote U.N. goals, programmes, and activities dealing with environmental issues, particularly the threat of global warming and climatic change.

His appointment comes at a time of growing public concern for the environment and considerable pressure on governments and the United Nations to take action to avert a number of looming environmental crises.

It also coincided with the opening here Monday of a three-week meeting of the preparatory committee for the U.N. Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED).

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#90219d5410 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (AUG. 7) - U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney left the northern port of Alexandria (eds: correct) Tuesday afternoon after a brief visit and talks with President Hosni Mubarak on ways of ending the crisis between Iraq and Kuwait peacefully, the official MENA news agency reported.

Mr. Cheney, had arrived Tuesday from Saudi Arabia, where he discussed the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait with Saudi officials.

Mr. Mubarak also met with Izzat Ibrahim, vice-president of Iraq's decision-making Revolutionary Command Council. It was the Egyptian leader's first meeting with a senior Iraqi official since Baghdad invaded Kuwait August 2.

The United States has led a campaign to isolate Iraq because of the invasion, notably through a world-wide embargo on purchases of Iraqi oil. For the embargo to be effective, regional analysts say, Saudi Arabia will have to agree to close down a pipeline on its territory that carries Iraqi oil to Red Sea terminals.

Amid fears that Saudi Arabia might be reluctant to take such a step, Mr. Cheney conferred with the Saudi monarch, King Fahd, on Monday, and saw Defense Minister Prince Sultan ibn Abd al-Aziz on Tuesday before leaving for Cairo.

He was accompanied on his visit by dozens of senior military and intelligence specialists, reliable sources said.

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#90219d5440 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDADKUWAIT (AUG. 7) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein met Tuesday with Colonel Ala'a Hussein Ali head of the ''free provisional government of Kuwait'' installed following the Iraqi invasion.

Iraq meanwhile showed no indication of whether it would go ahead Tuesday with a second phase of troop withdrawal from Kuwait.

Last Sunday, Baghdad said it had pulled out troops from its estimated 140,000 force, said the second phase would take place Tuesday, but by afternoon Iraqi state-run media made no mention of any withdrawal.

In a related development, the Iraqi National Assembly, was called into extraordinary session at 2200, an announcement broadcast over Iraqi television said.

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#90219d5480 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VIENNA (AUG. 7) - Foreign ministers of the 12 EEC nations are to meet in Brussels Friday to thrash out a common position on the Gulf crisis ahead of a NATO meeting, French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said here Tuesday.

He made the announcement after talks with his West German and Italian counterparts Hans-Dietrich Genscher and Gianni de Michelis, in Vienna for the funeral of former Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky.

European ministers would assess European Economic Community and United Nations Security Council measures already taken against Iraq following its invasion of Kuwait, and consider if further action was needed "to contain" Iraqi aggression, Mr. Dumas said.

On the safety of foreigners on Iraqi and Kuwaiti soil, Mr. Dumas and Mr. Genscher had asked Italy, which currently holds the EEC presidency, to back up bilateral moves with EEC action.

Mr. Dumas said Iraq's invasion had been a "serious attack" on practice governing relations between sovereign states and had "increased the risk" of conflict in the region.

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#90219d5550 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (AUG. 7) - The widely condemned Iraqi invasion of tiny and rich Kuwait has ''shaken the Arab nation to the core'', in the words of an editorial in the daily Egyptian Gazette.

The newspaper was not alone Tuesday with its assessment. Analysts in the Middle East see the Arab world in a deep dilemma after the first time in recent history that an Arab state has invaded another and effectively annexed it.

Most Arab governments fear a foreign intervention in this Gulf conflict because it would remind them of how dependent they are on the West.

''Any foreign intervention, be it by Israel or otherwise, in the Arab world will have a reaction and could set the area ablaze,'' King Hussein of Jordan warned Monday.

Hussein must be worried because his country, whose population is mainly Palestinian, is squeezed between Iraq and Israel. Any confrontation between these powerful neighbours could be carried out or could spill over to Jordanian territory.

Observers in the region do not rule out the possiblity of a panicky Iraqi President Saddam Hussein grabbing the bull by the horns and ordering a military strike against Israel, in a move to rally the Arab governments behind him.

Experts say Arab military intervention in the Gulf is impossible. Since a truce stopped its eight-year war with Iran in August 1988, Iraq has built up with western and Soviet help the strongest army in the region besides Israel.

Military pacts between Arab states proved useless in the event of the current crisis.

Until now, no Arab leader has seriously put forward the idea of implementing the mutual defence accord, which links the 21-nation Arab League and pledges military backing for an attacked Arab state.

Another military pact linking Egypt, Iraq, Jordan and Yemen within the Arab Cooperation Council (Acc) failed miserably.

To this can be added that Saudi Arabia, Oman, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Bahrain did not even try to rescue Kuwait under a military agreement linking them with Kuwait in the Gulf Cooperation Council (Gcc).

''The Acc is a grouping which raises questions, and the Gcc collapsed in its first test,'' the Egyptian newspaper al-Akhbar said.

Iraq now stands alone in an Arab world having difficulties imposing western-style sanctions on Baghdad.

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#90219d5560 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 7) - Japan's Hitachi Ltd. claimed a world first Tuesday after successfully transmitting 40 gigabits of information per second over a single strand of optical fiber.

At present, most facsimile machines and computers optically send information at a rate of 1.6 gigabits per second. One giga means one billion.

Hitachi officials said the 40 gigabit transmission signal remained constant over a distance of 40 kilometers (25 miles).

The success has paved the way for development of very large capacity optical transmission systems, the officials said.

Optical fiber is replacing copper wire with its ability to carry vast amounts of data and video images at lightning speeds over telephone wire.

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#90219d5580 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 7) - Ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party (PPP) rejected accusations of corruption Tuesday and said it was ready to seek a fresh mandate.

Senior party leaders deplored as unconstitutional President Ghulam Ishaq Khan's decision Monday to dissolve the National Assembly and provincial assemblies and remove the 20-month-old Bhutto government.

They warned the president and interim Prime Minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi that a delay in polls would be dangerous for the country.

At a meeting chaired by Ms. Bhutto here, party leaders dismissed the president's action as "arbitrary, illegal and unconstitutional."

Meanwhile, the new cabinet held its first meeting under Mr. Jatoi. An official spokesman here said the discussions focussed on various administrative matters. Mr. Jatoi's cabinet has six members in addition to the caretaker premier.

At the end of their meeting, PPP leaders issued a strongly worded statement, the party's first since Mr. Ishaq Khan's decision to dismiss the government and impose a state of emergency in the country.

"The (president's) action not only subverts the nascent democratic order in Pakistan but also deals a grievous blow to the valiant and brave struggle of the Kashmiri people" waging a war against Indian rule, the statement said.

"The action has strengthened our enemies, whose forces are poised on borders, by demoralising the nation," the statement said, referring to the alleged buildup of Indian troops along Pakistan's borders.

The statement said the PPP would press just one demand: "Hold fair and free elections, on schedule, and let the people decide."

Party leaders said there was "hardly any difference" between Mr. Ishaq Khan's statement and late military ruler General Mohammed Zia ul Haq's comments when he sacked Mohammed Khan Junejo's government on May 29, 1988.

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#90219d5610 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (AUG. 7) - Iraqi authorities have detained 61 Bangladeshi civilians working at a Kuwaiti air base and another 17 are reported missing, a foreign office spokesman said here Tuesday.

The detainees were employed as civilian officers, technicians, cooks and cleaners at Ahmad Al-Jaber Air Base, the spokesman said.

The 17 missing persons were working for a local cleaning company not attached to the base.

Bangladesh appealed for their immediate release, through its embassy in Baghdad and the Iraqi mission in Dhaka.

The Dhaka government also called for safety guarantees for Bangladeshi nationals in Kuwait, the spokesman said.

Some 70,000 Bangladeshis were working in Kuwait when Iraqi troops invaded its tiny southern neighbour Thursday.

Foreign Minister Anisul Islam Mahmud called on the Kuwaiti ambassador Tuesday and conveyed Dhaka's support for resolutions adopted by the U.N. Security Council, the Arab League and the Organisation of Islamic Conference, the official BSS news agency reported.

The resolutions called for the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of all Iraqi troops from Kuwait and restoration of the legitimate government of Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmed Al-Sabah, the agency said.

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#90219d5690 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GRASSE, FRANCE (AUG. 7) - A British estate agent was Tuesday charged with manslaughter here and jailed after his powerful motor boat crashed into a pleasure craft, killing one of five youths on board and injuring another, court sources said.

The estate agent, 55-year-old David Morris from Hampshire in southern England, was also charged with involuntarily causing injury and fleeing from the scene of the incident which occured near Antibes, on the French Riviera, on August 17, 1988.

Another charge of failing to help a person in danger was also retained.

Mr. Morris was placed in detention in the absence of his lawyer.

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#90219d5750 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 7) - The Indian government ordered a ship to Liberia to help evacuate stranded Indians in that strife-torn country, an official statement said Tuesday.

A government-owned Shipping Corporation of India (SCI) vessel on the high seas near Gibraltar was ordered diverted to Monrovia, the statement from the Ministry of External Affairs said.

National television said about 460 Indians have taken shelter at a school in Monrovia.

The statement said another ship was directed to stand by at Marseilles if necessary aid in the rescue, and that India asked U.S. authorities to provide food and medicine to the stranded Indians in Monrovia.

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#90219d5770 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 7) - A senior Soviet official has urged the United States to "be prudent" in considering military action against Iraq following the invasion of Kuwait, the government newspaper Izvestia reported Tuesday.

Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Belonogov told a news conference for Soviet journalists that U.S. intervention "could turn around the Arabs, and the prevailing anti-Iraqi feelings could become anti-American."

Speaking Monday, he said however that U.S. intervention might be envisaged "if something tragic happens to American citizens in Kuwait, or if Iraq invades Saudi Arabia."

He noted that the new strains in Soviet-Iraqi relations "don't make us very happy, but we had no choice." Moscow currently has about 1,000 military advisers in Iraq.

Moscow initially opposed the economic sanctions voted by the United Nations Security Council, but changed its position because of lack of support from other nations, Mr. Belonogov said. "The Soviet Union will apply the resolution rigorously," he said.

The Kremlin has no plans to recognize the Iraqi-installed Kuwaiti government, he added.

He said a message sent by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to President Mikhail Gorbachev yielded "no extenuating circumstances" on the invasion, and a Soviet reply urged Baghdad to follow a U.N. resolution and withdraw unilaterally.

Mowscow has not received a reply from that note, he said, but the

publication of an anti-Soviet article in the Iraqi government-controlled press "is no accident -- it's a warning to us."

However the Soviet foreign ministry "feels it is unlikely that Baghdad will accept a degradation in its relations with the Soviet Union" because "Saddam Hussein has no interest in making another enemy."

In Vienna, Spanish Prime Minister Felipe Gonzales also spoke out against U.S. military action, saying "We defend the principle of non-intervention."

He made the remarks during an interview with Spanish television while in Vienna to attend the funeral of former Austrian chancellor Bruno Kreisky.

"In a region that is so explosive, I think this principle should be maintained with extraordinary firmness," he added.

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#90219d5810 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 7) - Aluminium and nickel reached their highest level since last October on the London Metal Exchange (LME) Tuesday, in the wake of copper, supported by expectations of higher demand in the fourth quarter, traders said here.

Base metals were also supported by the sentiment that Monday's losses, based on fears of recession due to soaring oil prices, had been overdone, they added.

Aluminium was quoted at 1,808 dollars per ton on the kerb, having closed at 1,812 dollars on the afternoon ring, the highest level since October, against 1,759 Monday.

Nickel finished at 10,500 dollars per ton on the kerb, against 10,550 on the afternoon ring and 10,200 dollars Monday. The metal had reached 10,650 dollars at the close of the morning ring, its highest level since October.

Copper finished at 1,533 pounds per ton on the kerb against 1,537 pounds on the ring and 1,483 Monday. The rise occurred despite a 3,425-ton rise in LME stocks, at a seven-months high of 107,775 tons.

Lead and zinc were also stronger, but tin lost ground.

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#90219d5840 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (AUG. 7) - South Africa's gold and foreign reserves rose by five percent to 5.434 billion rands (2.066 billion dollars) in July from 5.159 billion rands (1.997 billion dollars) in June, the Reserve (central) Bank

said here Tuesday.

The rise was mainly due to an increase of 236.64 million rands (91 million dollars) in the gold reserves, which totalled 3.108 billion rands (1.186 billion dollars) on July 31.

The valuation of gold rose by 22.46 rands (8.57 dollars) to 863.72 rands (332.2 dollars) per fine ounce during the month of July, the bank said.

Foreign exchange reserves also rose -- to 2.325 billion rands (887.4 million dollars) from 2.287 billion rands (863 million dollars) at end-July.

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#90219d5850 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) - The U.S. State Department and Iraq are discussing a plan under which some of the estimated 500 Americans in Iraq would soon leave that country by land, U.S. officials said Tuesday.

"We are currently exploring the possibility of moving some people out by road within a day or two. We will continue our efforts and report on them when they succeed," the official said on condition he not be identified.

The Italian foreign ministry had said Monday that Iraq's ambassador to Rome, Mohammed Al Sahaf, said Baghdad was prepared to evacuate foreigners in Kuwait to Jordan via Iraq.

Iraqi forces overran Kuwait Thursday in a lightning invasion that ousted the emirate's ruling family and has prompted global sanctions against the regime of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The presence of foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait, including U.S. citizens, has raised fears in the United States that a hostage crisis could develop if the situation in the Gulf deteriorated further.

That concern was accentuated Monday when dozens of foreigners in Kuwait, including 28 Americans, were rounded up from hotels and put on buses apparently bound for Baghdad.

Another U.S. official said some of the foreigners have been taken to a Baghdad hotel that was already housing 11 American oil field workers picked up by Iraqi forces Thursday.

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#90219d5880 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (AUG. 7) - The administration set up in Kuwait after the Iraqi

invasion announced Tuesday that the country had been proclaimed a republic.

A statement read on Iraqi television said the emirate's regime had been abolished forever.

The official INA news agency, quoting the statement by the provisional government of free Kuwait, as it is termed, said that following an "uprising" against the ruling family of Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, "the government decided to abolish the princedom in Kuwait and declare the republic."

It added: "By this, the corrupt satellite regime installed by colonialism is entombed forever."

On Saturday, Iraq announced the makeup of a military government installed Thursday after the invasion.

The administration is headed by Colonel Ala'a Hussein Ali, also appointed commander-in-chief of the armed forces, minister of defense, and acting interior minister, the news agency said.

Eight other members of the government are all military officers.

The government had announced the overthrow of the Al Sabah family and seizure of Sheikh Jaber's fortune as well as those of several royal family members and senior Kuwaiti officials.

Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait at dawn Thursday after the collapse of Iraqi-Kuwaiti talks in Saudi Arabia on August 1 over a bitter dispute about oil production quotas and border markings.

In a related development, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein held talks here Tuesday with the head of the pro-Iraqi government in Kuwait ahead of an emergency meeting of Iraq's 250-member national council, parliament.

The official Iraqi News Agency (INA) said the meeting between Mr. Hussein and Col. Hussein Ali was the first since last week's formation of the provisional government.

According to INA, Colonel Hussein Ali "thanked Iraq and the Iraqi army for their support to the uprising of the Kuwaiti people." Iraq has said it intervened in Kuwait at the request of revolutionaries dissatisfied with the regime.

President Hussein praised the new government, saying it had "restored Kuwait to its national and Arab dimension."

The Iraqi leader is to make a nationwide address late Tuesday to mark what

Iraq considers its victory over Iran, which it had fought for eight years.

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#90219d5950 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 7) - The British Government welcomed Tuesday the decision by the African National Congress to suspend the 29-year armed struggle against white rule in South Africa.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was pleased with "progress made between the South African Government and the ANC in opening the way to peaceful negotiations on South Africa's future."

The ANC's decision to suspend the armed struggle was meanwhile welcomed by the Foreign Office, who called it "a significant step forward."

Mrs. Thatcher who held talks with ANC leader Nelson Mandela in early July said she had "been pushing for this for some time" and that the suspension "echoed conversations held when Mr Mandela visited Britain."

In response to the ANC decision, South African President F.W. de Klerk agreed to the release of political prisoners and the return of political exiles.

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#90219d5980 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (AUG. 7) - Burmese security units and high school teachers dispersed about 60 students demonstrating for democracy in Mandalay Tuesday, state-run Radio Rangoon said in a broadcast monitored here.

Similar demonstrations broke out a day earlier at several high schools in Mandalay, but security personnel broke them up without any incidents or injuries, the radio said.

About 200 Buddhist monks also took to the streets Monday in downtown Mandalay, the former Burmese capital 590 kilometers (366 miles) north of Rangoon, but they dispersed peacefully when troops arrived at the scene.

The radio dismissed as rumours allegations currently circulating that government soldiers killed six students, two of them female and two monks, during a recent street confrontation.

It attributed the allegations to elements wanting to incite mob violence against the military regime.

Local traders were also blamed for fanning an atmosphere of unrest, allegedly to take advantage of the unstable political situation to raise

prices of commodities and consumer goods.

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#90219d6020 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDADKUWAIT (AUG. 7) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will deliver a major address on television and radio Tuesday evening, Iraqi television announced.

It said the address would be broadcast at 1700 Gmt.

Saddam met earlier Tuesday with Colonel Ala'a Hussein Ali, head of the ''free provisional government of Kuwait'' installed following the Iraqi invasion.

Iraq meanwhile showed no indication of whether it would go ahead Tuesday with a second phase of troop withdrawal from Kuwait.

Last Sunday, Baghdad said it had pulled out troops from its estimated 140,000 force, said the second phase wuold take place Tuesday, but by afternoon Iraqi state-run media made no mention of any withdrawal.

In a related development, the Iraqi National Assembly was called into extraordinary session Tuesday evening, an announcement broadcast over Iraqi television said.

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#90219d6120 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FREETOWN (AUG. 7) - President Joseph Momoh said forces being sent to Liberia soon would play a peace-keeping role and "nothing more", when he returned here on Tuesday after the emergency ECOWAS summit in Banjul on Liberia.

He told reporters at the airport that "the plight of Liberians deserves worldwide sympathy. It is necessary for the widespread indiscriminate killings of innocent civilians to stop."

He stressed that peace-keeping troops expected to "enter Liberia soon" will only "play a peace-keeping role and nothing more".

Diplomatic sources in Freetown said Tuesday that a secret meeting of military advisers of the member-states of the ECOWAS mediation committee was held in Freetown on Saturday and took a decision to send the peace-keeping force to Liberia on Monday.

The sources said the delay in getting troops in was due to the last minute decision by two unnamed countries which had asked that the troops be held

back until the end of the emergency summit.

Government officials here refused to comment on the issue.

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#90219d6140 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 7) - The African National Congress (ANC) defended on Tuesday the watershed ceasefire pact it signed with the South African government in the early hours of the morning, claiming it had made real gains.

"We took historic steps to shape the future of South Africa," said ANC Secretary General Alfred Nzo, one of the five ANC leaders who emerged from 15 hours of talks with the government shortly after midnight with an agreement to suspend the ANC's 29-year armed struggle.

Answering accusations at a press conference here that the ANC gave away more than it gained, Mr. Nzo said the government had made very specific commitments.

It had agreed that political prisoners -- estimated by the ANC at some 1,500 -- would be released, that ANC exiles would be allowed to return to South Africa, and that security legislation would be re-assessed.

He revealed that Justice Minister Kobie Coetsee would soon invite public criticism of security laws, which would then be re-examined.

Earlier, the ANC's main anti-apartheid rival, the hardline Pan Africanist Congress (PAC), branded the accord one-sided in favour of the government.

Ailing PAC president Zeph Mothopeng said at a press conference that the government had agreed to amend only "irrelevant" sections of the Internal Security Act (ISA), but had left intact the infamous section 29, which allows indefinite detention without trial.

But Mr. Nzo and another ANC delegate to the talks, South African Communist Party General Secretary Joe Slovo, stressed that if the government reneged on its deal to amend the ISA, the accord would collapse.

"The repeal of section 29 is going to be an important issue," Mr. Slovo told the press conference, warning that the ANC would not tolerate its use against anyone, whether left- or right-wingers.

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#90219d6170 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) - U.S. efforts to resolve the Gulf crisis were

centering Tuesday on the enforcement of sanctions against Iraq mandated by the U.N. Security Council with the despatching of a flotilla of ships capable of maintaining a naval blocade of Iraq and Kuwait.

As soon as the Security Council agreed, by a 13-0 vote, on the sanctions against Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait, President George Bush called for "full and total implementation of these sanctions, ruling out nothing at all."

He made that pledge Monday as he greeted British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and the secretary general of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), Manfred Woerner, at the White House to discuss a coordinated allied strategy to the crisis.

The two countries considered essential to the success of the U.S. objective are Turkey and Saudi Arabia, the two transit points for most of Iraq's oil exports.

U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney -- accompanied by Mr. Bush's deputy National Security Adviser Robert Gates, the central U.S. Army Commander General Schwarzkopf, and Under-secretary for Defense Paul Wolfowitz -- was in Riyadh Monday to discuss strategy with Saudi officials.

By Tuesday, the aircraft carrier USS Saratoga and four escort ships -- the guided missile cruiser Philippine Sea, the frigate Elmer Montgomery and the destroyers Spruance and Sampson -- were steaming out of their northern Florida base.

The Pentagon said the Saratoga battle group was headed toward the Mediterranean. Military analysts said it could be diverted to the Gulf.

At the same time, some 2,500 U.S. Marines from Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, were being shipped out to the coast of Liberia which has been brought to its knees by civil war.

Marine Colonel W.C. Fite, commander of the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, told journalists as he left Camp Lejeune: "We haven't been told about our future plans. As far as we know, this is a routine deployment. We have plans to go to Spain, which is routine, and also plans if needed to go to the coast off Monrovia, Liberia."

But officials here were saying that the diplomatic efforts in Riyadh were key to U.S. plans as Washington wants full cooperation from Saudi Arabia, which is considered the next potential target for Iraq.

This cooperation, Washington believes, should not be limited to simply closing the Iraqi oil pipeline through its territory, but should also include military assistance.

Mr. Cheney reportedly had with him detailed reports from U.S. intelligence detailing the threat posed by recent Iraqi movements toward Saudi Arabia.

U.S. officials believe Saudi cooperation will be essential should the U.N.-mandated sanctions fail. Logistically, U.S. and allied forces would need ground facilities in the region for their military hardware.

Meanwhile, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker was expected Thursday in Turkey, already the scene of intense diplomatic activity with the arrival since the weekend of the Iraqi regime's deputy leader Taha Yassin Ramadan and Iranian presidential adviser Ali Reza Moayeri.

According to several U.S. officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity, Mr. Baker's visit to Turkey is primarily to reassure this NATO partner that Washington and other allies will ensure that it does not suffer economically by joining in the Iraqi economic blocade and closing down the Iraqi pipeline through its territory.

One U.S. official, cited by The New York Times Tuesday, said Mr. Bush had asked Mr. Woerner to get the assurance of all members of the 16-nation NATO alliance that they would support Turkey.

The official was quoted as saying: "The message to Woerner was: there are very few things that would threaten NATO more than the implication of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait or some Iraqi push into Saudia Arabia. NATO has to be prepared to play a military role either collectivelky or through individual states."

Despite planning for some sort of possible military intervention, administration officials are insisting that they are concentrating on winning through economic measures.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater, talking of the U.N.-mandated economic sanctions, said, "We expect them to work."

But a Pentagon official, insisting on anonymity, said that -- en route to Riyadh -- Mr. Cheney had stopped off in Cairo to ask Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak for permission for the aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower, now in the Mediterranean, to pass through the Suez Canal.

Another carrier, the USS Independence, and its escort group were already in the Arabian Sea, at the mouth of the Gulf, on Tuesday, Pentagon swources said.

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#90219d6270 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SRINAGAR, India (AUG. 7) - Indian paramilitary soldiers sprayed gunfire into Moslem homes in Kashmir's summer capital here overnight, killing at least 15 people, police sources and residents said Tuesday.

Meanwhile 18 people, including 12 suspected Moslem militants, died and 28 were injured in other violence related to a bloody Moslem secessionist campaign in the strife-torn Kashmir valley Monday night and Tuesday.

Border Security Force personnel deployed on internal security duty burst into several houses in the curfew-bound Hawal area here, apparently choosing the targets at random, and opened fire, residents said.

Police officials in Jammu, Kashmir's winter capital, said 15 people were killed. The Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency said another 16 people were wounded.

They added that several women said they had been raped by the troops, who allegedly set two houses on fire.

Kashmir Governor Girish Chandra Saxena said police had filed charges of murder and rape against the soldiers and launched an investigation.

An Agence France-Presse correspondent saw nine coffins at a mourning ceremony attended by more than 5,000 people who defied a curfew to assemble at Srinagar's Islamia college, near Hawal in the heart of Srinagar.

The ceremony was followed by a mass funeral joined by thousands of Moslems shouting anti-Indian and pro-independence slogans, witnesses said.

There was no violence at the funeral, which security forces allowed despite the curfew.

Residents in Hawal, a middle-class Moslem neighbourhood, said they did not know what provoked the soldiers to go on the rampage.

"We were sitting at home, all of a sudden soldiers broke into the house," said a teenaged girl, whose father Gholam Qadir, 40, and two younger brothers aged 13 and 11 were shot and killed.

"My mother tried to stop them, but she was overpowered," she said, pointing into a room whose walls were splattered with blood. "The men went upstairs and without saying a word they shot my father and two brothers and left."

Blood-soaked mattresses littered the bedroom in another house, where residents said troopers had shot dead Basheer Ahmed, a 40-year-old tailor, his two sons aged 16 and eight, his mother and a colleague.

-30- 2477
#90219d6360 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD, (AUG 7) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on Tuesday justified the invasion of Kuwait by Iraqi forces last Thursday, saying it was the legitimate outcome of Iraq's victory over Iran.

In a speech broadcast on Iraqi television, Mr. Hussein said the operation "ended the colonial division" which separated a rich minority from the less fortunate majority.

He praised the planners of the August 2 operation, in reference to the provisional Kuwaiti Government made up of nine unknown officers who proclaimed the former Gulf emirate a republic on Tuesday.

-30- 759
#90219d6420 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS, (AUG 7) - Iraq was continuing to amass troops at the Saudi Arabian border, NATO's general staff told the alliance's political committee here Tuesday, NATO sources said.

However diplomats said, for the moment, NATO did not have a military role in the crisis, dozens of other warships in the Gulf being adequate to ensure the effectiveness of a U.N. blockade.

On Monday another NATO source had said that Altantic Alliance solidarity would be brought into play in the event of Iraqi agression against Turkey, the only NATO member to border Iraq.

NATO's political committee was meanwhile deeply concerned about the fate of foreign nationals in Iraq and Kuwait, having received no information to confirm that Iraq had released them across the Jordanian border, the source said.

On the effects of a U.N. embargo against Iraq, an economic report before the committee said some 65 per cent of Iraq's oil exports went to NATO countries, while some 60 per cent of Iraqi imports were of NATO origin.

Diplomats said these figures gave an indication of the effectiveness of NATO's participation in the sanctions.

An informed source Tuesday said NATO would hold a ministerial level meeting on developments in the Gulf before the end of the week. Officials refused to give any details of the initiative.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas earlier Tuesday announced a European Economic Community meeting in Brussels Friday to formulate a common EEC

position on the crisis.

Observers said both meetings would address ways of implementing the international economic embargo.

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#90219d6450 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT ARTHUR, TX (AUG. 7) - U.S. customs officials enforcing a ban on trade with Baghdad seized a shipload of Iraqi oil here Tuesday.

The officials said the Swedish-flagged tanker Thoraas would be held until customs authorities decide what to do with the 76 million liters (20 million gallons) of oil it was carrying.

President George Bush banned imports of Iraqi oil as part of economic sanctions he ordered in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last Thursday.

The Thoraas takes on oil from larger vessels and brings it into port in a process called lightering.

A U.S. customs spokeswoman in Houston said the oil had been transferred from the ship Cartha Gonova, but that she did not know that vessel's whereabouts or registry.

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#90219d6510 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 7) - The European Community imposed Tuesday a general trade embargo against Iraq and Kuwait in a decision which follows a similar resolution by the United Nations Security Council.

Under the embargo, which will take effect Wednesday, no goods may be imported from or exported to the two Gulf nations.

The embargo does not cover arms sales which do not come under the community's remit but is a matter for individual members.

E.C. foreign ministers are to meet here Friday to discuss the crisis in the Gulf, French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said in a radio interview in Paris.

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#90219d6610 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBAI (AUG. 7) - Nervous savers lined up Tuesday at banks and foreign exchange houses in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) as fears of a new Gulf

war undermined confidence in the local dirham and sent dollar sales soaring.

"I'm not going to wait for the dirham to fall further. I need to have my money in a currency I can change anywhere in the world," said an Indian expatriate after rushing to his bank to open a dollar account. "Look at the Kuwaiti dinar," he added. "Nobody wants to touch it now."

Thomas Cook exchange offices in the emirates of Dubai and Sharjah said the demand for dollars had almost wiped out their stocks of the currency while pushing the greenback up to 3.8 dirhams from the 3.74 Monday and the normal pegged rate of 3.68.

"People have seen what has happened to the Kuwaitis, whose cash has no value, and they are trying to be safe," said a manager of a leading exchange company here. "If the Americans attack Iraq or Kuwait, there will be a war that will have a financial effect on the region for some time," he added. "There's a sense of fear."

The Kuwaiti dinar and Kuwaiti credit cards are officially no longer accepted in the UAE, but unofficial trading in the currency has seen it lose two-thirds of its value against the dirham since the Iraqi invasion of Aug 2.

The exchange company manager said both UAE nationals and expatriates were buying dollars, aware that the greenback is linked to the dirham and could be recovered without great loss when the crisis passes.

A Thomas Cook teller in Sharjah said people refused to accept travellers cheques and would only take cash. Some banks were informing their clients that they could not supply them with dollars in cash, depositors said.

The rush began Monday amid reports of a troop build-up on the Saudi-Kuwaiti border and statements from Washington indicating that a military option was being considered in addition to the sanctions announced against Iraq.

Foreign exchange houses said they were being cautious in accepting large amounts of Saudi riyals and denied rumors that the currency was no longer being accepted.

Analysts here said that while the crisis would have a negative effect on confidence in the UAE and harm investment, the country would benefit from higher oil prices and increased trans-shipment activities due to the closing of the Kuwaiti ports.

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#90219d6670 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (AUG. 7) - Thousands of emotional, slogan-chanting party workers welcomed sacked Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto on her arrival at the airport here Tuesday.

Although her arrival was not formally announced, young activists swarmed the airport terminal building as several hundred policemen, paramilitary rangers and troops stood by, watching the defiant crowd.

Ms. Bhutto's husband, Asif Ali Zardari, had to climb over an iron gate to join his spouse. As they drove to their residence, Bilawal house, Pakistan People's Party (PPP) supporters formed a procession stretching a couple of miles.

Addressing a highly charged cadre of PPP workers at her residence, Ms. Bhutto accused President Ghulam Ishaq Khan of imposing anti-democratic forces on the people.

When the combined opposition failed to destabilize her government, the president "imposed these elements on the people of Pakistan through the back door," she said.

She said the president's charges against her government were unacceptable.

The imposition of interim government "is a conspiracy against the people of Pakistan and an insult to the electorate," she declared.

Flanked by her Sindh PPP leaders, she said despite all the difficulties, her government was able to finalize nuclear power plant deals with France and China and bring the Kashmir issue to the forefront of world politics.

"We are the product of the people's mandate and want to serve them," she said. "Right from the beginning, conspiracies have been hatched against my party to keep it out of the election process."

Ms. Bhutto urged her party workers "to remain disciplined and to work for defeating the terrorists in Sindh so that the biased interim administration does not get any opportunity for punitive action against the PPP."

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#90219d6750 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (AUG 7) - The State Department has set up a task force that is working round-the-clock to answer calls from friends and family members of the estimated 3,500 Americans trapped in Iraq and Kuwait.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler, who spoke at length about U.S. concern for the situation, said the task force's 60 to 80 personnel had already received 10,000 calls.

U.S. spokesmen have refrained from describing the Americans as hostages, but the possibility that they could become so was a palpable undercurrent in press briefings here.

Tutwiler said the Americans' welfare had been raised in ''every meeting'' held over the past few days between Iraqi and American officials.

Assistant Secretary of State John Kelly summoned Iraqi Ambassador Mohammed al-Mashat for a meeting Monday that Tutwiler described as ''short and to the point''.

She said Kelly ''forcefully'' told Mashat that Washington held Iraq responsible for the safety of the Americans and expected information on their whereabouts in Kuwait.

Mashat replied that he would convey Kelly's message to Baghdad, but apparently indicated later that he had received no particular response from Iraqi authorities.

About 3,000 Americans were estimated to be in Kuwait and 500 in Iraq before Baghdad's invasion of the tiny Gulf nation last Thursday. Tutwiler said 39 Americans are being held in Baghdad's Hotel Rashid, most of them rounded up from Kuwaiti hotels Monday and bused to the Iraqi capital.

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#90219d6890 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (AUG. 7) - Father Laslo Tokes, the priest at the centre of events which led to the Romanian revolution in December, was seriously injured in a road accident in Hungary Tuesday, Hungarian television reported.

The Romanian priest, an ethnic Hungarian, suffered a concussion and fractures when the driver of the vehicle he was travelling in swerved to avoid a cyclist and crashed into a pylon between the northeastern towns of Sarospatak and Miskolc.

Doctors said he was recovering in hospital in Miskolc.

Father Tokes, whose dissidence became a rallying point for the uprising that overthrew Nicolae Ceausescu's Stalinist dictatorship, had been travelling with body guards supplied by the Hungarian Government.

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#90219d6990 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 7) - The African National Congress (Anc) Tuesday

reaffirmed its commitment to suspending its armed struggle against South Africa's white rulers, but warned it would resume military activity if the government reneged on the agreements reached between the two parties Monday.

Joe Slovo, Communist Party (Sacp) chief and a member of the Anc delegation which met the government for the second round of preliminary peace talks Monday, said the Anc remained confident of the government's sincerity in the fast-developing negotiation process and of its commitment to a peaceful settlement.

He said that while the armed struggle had been suspended, other forms of pressure, including economic sanctions, would be maintained in order to force the pace of racial reform.

Mangosuthu Buthelezi, president of the powerful Inkatha Freedom Party, welcomed the Anc decision to cease hostilities, but said there was a need for joint action against the violence between supporters of the two organisations in the strife-torn Natal province.

''We are now in the golden moment of history which will soon pass if we do not put negotiations on track and make rapid progress in moving towards a South Africa in which apartheid is abolished and a multi-party democracy is introduced.

''Violence as a major stumbling block hindering this movement can now be addressed at the local and regional levels,'' he said.

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#90219d7020 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 7) - The Indian parliament's lower house rejected an opposition move Tuesday to censor the government of Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh.

The Lok Sabha, or people's assembly, voted 202 to 117 against the motion over price rises. It was made by former premier Rajiv Gandhi's opposition Congress (I) party.

Finance minister Madhu Dandawate admitted the prices of many of the consumer goods had increased, but the situation was "not as gloomy" as claimed by the Congress (I) MPs.

Mr. Dandawate said the rise in prices of a number of goods was less than in the corresponding period last year, before the present government took over.

Earlier, Mr. Gandhi said the new eight-month-old National Front alliance

government had failed to control price increases and lost credibility with the people.

He said the new government was wasting the nation's time in factional party quarrels, an apparent reference to differences in the Janata Dal (people's party) of Mr. V.P. Singh, which is the core constituent of the five-party alliance.

"People are realising that prices will never stop soaring so long as the ruling party is preoccupied with its internal bickerings," said Mr. Gandhi, whose Congress (I) party lost the November polls to the alliance.

Simmering differences in the Janata Dal culminated in Mr. V.P. Singh firing his deputy, Devi Lal, from the cabinet earlier this month.

Mr. Devi Lal accused a few of his cabinet colleagues of corruption and in comments to the press showered abuse on some of them. He described Mr. V.P. Singh as "weak" and "spineless" in a press interview.

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#90219d7050 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) - The United States welcomed political developments in South Africa Tuesday but said U.S. sanctions would remain in place until the state of emergency is lifted in Natal.

The U.S. administration "warmly welcomes" Pretoria's announcement that it would free political prisoners and allow the return to South Africa of members of the once banned African National Congress, a spokeswoman said.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler added that the developments constituted ''a major step'' towards the establishment of a non-racial democracy.

''We hope the same positive spirit can bring an end to violence in Natal,'' she said, the site of frequent violent outbreaks between rival black groups.

American law stipulates that congressionally-mandated economic sanctions must stay in place until all political prisoners are freed and the state of emergency is lifted throughout the country.

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#90219d7160 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker will be in Brussels Friday for a meeting with his counterparts in the 16-nation North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) to discuss the Gulf crisis, the State

Department said Tuesday.

Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said Mr. Baker had also sent a message to Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze about the crisis, but she refused to divulge any of the message's contents.

Mr. Baker and Mr. Shevardnadze met last Friday when they issued a joint statement calling for an international arms embargo against Iraq.

Announcing the planned NATO meeting, Miss Tutiler said: "The events in the Gulf impact all NATO nations."

Mr. Baker was already scheduled to leave Washington Wednesday to visit Turkey, which borders Iraq.

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#90219d7170 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (AUG. 7) - Law enforcement agencies in Hong Kong and Canada smashed an international syndicate believed to be supplying forged travel documents to mainland Chinese, the government here said Tuesday.

Simultaneous raids carried out by police and immigration officials in Toronto and Hong Kong led to 15 arrests, an official statement quoted Tang Chiu Shing, head of the investigation division of the Hong Kong immigration department, as saying.

Hong Kong officials raided 35 locations, arrested nine people and seized forged seals and dies used to forge travel documents meant for mainland Chinese seeking residence in Canada, Mr. Tang said.

Law enforcement agents in Toronto arrested six people and seized a number of documents including forged Singaporean passports and records.

Between March and July, Hong Kong officials arrested 25 mainland Chinese for using forged documents, including Singaporean, Brazilian, Chinese and British (Hong Kong) passports and identity cards, the statement said.

The syndicate, which reportedly charged 130,000 Hong Kong dollars (16,700 U.S.) for each forged passport and passage to Canada, was a sophisticated one with bases in Hong Kong, Thailand and Canada, Mr. Tang said.

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#90219d7180 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (AUG. 7) - Some 116 British tourists were plucked to safety as a Greek pleasure boat sank just off the coast of the south-east Aegean island Rhodes Tuesday, the Greek merchant navy ministry said.

Nearby vessels also rescued the three crew members from the stricken 70 tonne Maria Astrapi, on its way between Rhodes and neighbouring Symi, to the north.

The ministry said it was not known why a fire had broken out in the vessel's engine room.

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#90219d7310 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) - The White House Tuesday said invading Iraqi troops in Kuwait were posing an "imminent threat" to Saudi Arabia, and reports said U.S. air and ground forces were racing for Saudi Arabia.

Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater withheld comment on a television report that a major deployment of U.S. troops and aircraft would soon begin to defend the oil-rich Saudi kingdom.

"The deployment of Iraqi troops poses an imminent threat to the Saudis," said Mr. Fitzwater.

"There have been changes of the sort that lead us to believe it's a growing threat...The U.S. Government is prepared for every eventuality and is doing and planning as appropriate," he said.

"We have reports that there are considerable (Iraqi) forces in an offensive posture massed at the Saudi border ...(Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein acted as an international oulaw," the spokesman said.

The ABC television network announced that Saudi Arabia had agreed to a request by U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney to allow U.S. fighter-bombers and ground troops to be stationed on Saudi soil.

Mr. Cheney was on his way back to Washington Tuesday after holding talks with King Fahd and other Saudi leaders on the threat posed by Iraqi troops occupying neihgboring Kuwait.

The television reports said U.S. ground troops from the elite 82nd Airborne Division based in Fort Bragg, North Carolina would be used to protect bases in Saudi Arabia that will receive U.S. fighter bombers.

The USS Independence was reported to be 30 miles from the Strait of Hormuz at the entrance of the Gulf and in a position to provide air cover for U.S. forces when they land in Saudi Arabia.

Another battle group led by the aircraft carrier USS Saratoga left Mayport, Florida, bound for the Mediterranean and possible Middle East deployment.

The battleship Wisconsin left Norfolk, Virginia, to join this battle group.

Television reports said Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak had granted permission for the U.S. aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower to transit through the Suez canal from the Mediterranean en route to the Gulf.

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#90219d7350 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) - A leading U.S. energy expert Tuesday said Moscow was deriving substantial financial benefits from the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and warned the West against helping the Soviet Union develop its energy resources to bring more oil to the world market.

Roger Robinson, a former member of the National Security Council under the Ronald Reagan administration, was testifying before a congressional committee assessing the impact of the Iraqi invasion of oil-rich Kuwait.

Referring to Soviet cooperation in the U.S.-led drive to isolate and punish Iraq for the invasion, Mr. Robinson said: "Before the West celebrates this development, we should remain mindful of the litany of windfall benefits already accruing to the Soviet Union from the Iraqi thurst into Kuwait and possibly beyond."

Moscow agreed to cut off arms supplies to Baghdad and voted in favor of the U.N. Security Council imposing mandatory financial, trade and military sanctions against Iraq.

Mr. Robinson pointed out that due to the Gulf crisis and the resulting soaring oil prices, the Soviet Union pocketed roughly one billion dollars annually for every one dollar increase in the price of a barrel of oil. About two thirds of Soviet hard currency income is derived from oil and gas exports, he noted.

Spot oil market prices have jumped from 15.50 dollars a barrel in mid-June to around 28 dollars a barrel as of Monday.

Moscow has 6,000 to 7,000 advisers in Iraq and provided the bulk of Iraq's sophisticated military arsenal, Mr. Robinson said.

"Against this backdrop, we are now hearing calls from the Department of Energy and others in the Administration that one way to bring more oil to the market is through substantial U.S. and Western energy-related assistance to the Soviet Union.

"This would be an exceedingly ill-considered way to strengthen Western energy security. After all, the Soviet Union has amply demonstrated just this year its willingness to withhold oil and natural gas deliveries as an

instrument of repression against Lithuania.

"It is also cutting back desperately needed oil supplies to countries in Eastern Europe such as Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland, and Bulgaria by some 20-30 percent," Mr. Robinson said.

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#90219d7460 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AUG. 7) - The Iraqi pipeline passing through Saudi Arabia and terminating in the Western port of Yanbu on the Red Sea was shut late Tuesday, a source at the ARAMCO oil company said.

"The Saudis did not shut down the line, but it had to be closed because the oil tanks at the Saudi port of Yanbu were full," the source said.

Earlier, an Iraqi pipleine passing through Turkey was shut down a day after a United Nations Security Council called for sweeping sanctions against Baghdad to protest its invasion of Kuwait on Aug 2.

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#90219d8760 08/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 8) - Nippon Life Insurance Co., Japan's leading insurance firm, has taken a two-percent stake in the Dutch bank Algemeene Bank Nederland NV (ABN), a Nippon Life spokesman said Wednesday.

The spokesman said the purchase of 2.4 million ABN shares would be officially announced shortly.

Nippon Life holds two per cent of Amsterdam-Rotterdam Bank and will become the biggest foreign stockholder after its expected merger with ABN.

The two banks are the largest in the Netherlands.

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#90219e0001 08/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LAS PALMAS, SPAIN (AUG 7) EFE - A Spanish man out for a drive with his wife and child was Monday killed by a fellow motorist who had tried to overtake him in heavy traffic, and then stabbed him, police said.

The Guardia Civil said the attack on the popular tourist Gran Canaria island occured after the killer had repeatedly tried to overtake the victim, named as Angel Garcia, who was driving in the fast lane and could not pull over.

Once he had finally overtaken, the killer stopped Garcia's car and

attacked him with a knife.

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#90219e0003 08/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LIMA (AUG. 7) EFE - With just days to go before President Alberto Fujimori is to announce his economic reform plan, health workers have announced that at least 60 per cent of Peru's 20 million inhabitants suffer from malnutrition.

The director of the National Nutrition College, Lourdes Turriarte, said Monday that some seven million inhabitants lived on a +survival+ basis while five million more only ate one meal per day.

Increasingly widespread malnutrition in recent years has caused a drop in the average height of adult Peruvians from 1.72 m to 1.68 m, she added.

Turriarte said studies had shown that basic foodstuffs for a six-member family curently cost around dlrs 70 per month while the average wage was around of dlr 40.

The announcements came just two days before Fujimori is scheduled to unveil his long-awaited plan to boost the struggling Peruvian economy.

While few details have been released regarding the proposed package, Prime Minister Juan Carlos Hurtado Miller has indicated it will be drastic while acknowledging that measures to redress the country's dire poverty rate were urgent.

Throughout his election campaign Fujimori frequently mentioned proposals for a +social compensation plan+ for those likely to be hardest hit by the economic measures but analysts have expressed scepticism that the new president has the resources available to carry this through.

On his swearing July 28, Fujimori said, +Poverty in Peru has arrived at inhuman extremes. It highlights the insensitivity on behalf of society, of the government, of the country's leaders who did not know what solutions to apply to attack the problem at its roots.+

Unease over the forthcoming economic measures has seen food prices shoot up by over 200 per cent in the last two weeks, according to officials.

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#90219e0013 08/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BERNE (AUG 7) EFE - In an unprecedented move, the Swiss government Tuesday announced it would impose economic sanctions against Iraq and Kuwait in retaliation for the Baghdad-ordered invasion last week, the

Swiss Foreign Ministry announced.

The decision came a day after the United Nations Security Council voted to ban all imports from the two countries, freeze all financial assets belonging to Kuwait and Iraq and suspend any contract to export sell or transport goods to the two Gulf states.

Because of its neutrality, Switzerland has traditionally refused to adopt economic boycotts against any country.

Foreign Minister Klaus Jacobi Monday called the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait last Thursday "brutal."

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#90219e0019 08/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SEVILLE, SPAIN (AUG. 7) EFE - More than 130 kg of hashish and 6,000 doses of heroin have been seized in three separate anti-narcotics operations across Spain, police said Tuesday.

A police spokesman said two people were arrested on a road leading into the southern city of Seville after police officers found 52 kg of hashish hidden in their car.

The suspects' statements led to the arrests of another two people who were hiding 56 kg of hashish in a cache by a swimming pool at a house in the city, 400 km southwest of Madrid.

The spokesman did specify when the four arrests were made but said that the hashish was destined for sale in Europe.

In a separate operation, six people were arrested Monday in Madrid after police discovered 6,000 doses of heroin hidden in one of the walls of their home during a raid.

The police spokesman also told press that a man was arrested with 24 kg of hashish in the eastern Mediterranean port city of Valencia, 310 km southeast of Madrid, when he tried to board his car onto a ferry bound for the Spanish island of Majorca.

Police did not say when the arrest was made. They are still looking for another man who fled from the car.

A Spanish government report released last month said more drugs were seized in Spain last year than in any other European nation.

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#90219e0026 08/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (AUG. 7) EFE - A collision Tuesday between a Cypriot oil tanker and a Norwegian ship carrying ammonia has caused a fuel spill of between 6,000 and 8,000 tonnes in the Straits of Gibraltar, officials said Tuesday.

The collision took place in El Estrecho, 13 km northwest of Cabo Spartel near Tangier, breaking one of the oil ship's tanks and emptying its contents into the sea.

The oil slick is 11 km from the Spanish coastal town of Tarifa in the southern province of Cadiz and 5 km from the Moroccan coast in the middle of the Straits of Gibraltar where currents could move it into the Mediterranean Sea and disperse it before it reaches either coast, Spanish merchant marine officials said.

They added that several helicopters were flying over the slick to monitor its movements and that merchant marine units and the Spanish Navy were both undertaking control operations.

The Cypriot boat was traveling from the United States to Cartagena in the southeastern province of Murcia.

The Norwegian boat which was sailing from Cagliari in Sardinia to Mohammedia in Morocco, 250 km northeast of Marrakech, continued its journey after the collision.

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#90219e0028 08/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MEXICO CITY (AUG 7) EFE - Mexico will not be able to increase oil exports to countries whose supplies are affected by the Persian Gulf conflict, a spokesman for the Mexican oil company PEMEX said Tuesday.

An embargo on oil imports from Iraq and Iraqi-held Kuwait following Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait last Thursday has left many countries looking towards Mexico for oil supplies.

Mexican experts said that their country cannot increase the 2.5 million barrels it produces daily without risking the deterioration of its oil layers.

Mexico exports about 1,230,000 barrels daily, of which some 700,000 go to the United States, some 150,000 to Spain and another 150,000 to Japan.

Spain would like to import 30,000 barrels more from Mexico, and Israel, which receives a million tons of crude oil annually from Mexico, would now like to buy another 500,000 tons annually.

The price of Mexican crude oil has risen about dlrs seven to more than dlrs 22 since the invasion.

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#90219f1779 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 7) UPI - Grain and soybean futures were narrowly mixed at the close Tuesday on the Chicago Board of Trade. The volume was relatively light and trading was choppy throughout the day.

Corn and soybeans had underlying support from the cool weather around the Midwest and the prospect it would slow development of the crops. Continued inflationary fears also were supportive, but corn and beans were pressured by the light buying interest.

The weekly crop report indicated a slight decline in the condition of the soybeans and a little improvement in the corn crop. Wheat futures were narrowly mixed with commercials on both sides of the trade.

Japan bought a small quantity of corn and Algeria was in the market for 150,000 tons of wheat, otherwise there was little news on the export front.

Much of the activity through Thursday is expected to be position-squaring ahead of the August crop report. Country movement was light except for moderate selling of wheat in the harvest areas.

At the close, corn was off 1/4 to up 3, soybeans up 1 to down 2 1/2, wheat off 1 to up 1/2 and oats up 1/2 to 3/4.

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#90219f1943 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 8 to 13 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.37	10.56	10.37	10.50	10.42
Mar	10.25	10.38	10.25	10.35	10.22
May	10.30	10.43	10.28	10.40	10.29
Jly	10.32	10.44	10.32	10.43	10.30
Oct	10.42	10.50	10.42	10.50	10.37

Estimated sales: 10,293 contracts
Open interest: 119,703 off 2,087
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.56

Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 8 points higher to 1 point

lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Sep	23.00	23.15	22.80	23.05	23.04
Nov	23.10	23.20	23.10	23.19	23.12
Jan	23.00	23.05	22.95	23.05	22.97
Mar	22.96	22.96	22.95	22.95	22.96
May	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	22.95
Jly	22.98	23.05	22.97	23.00	22.95
Sep	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	22.95
Nov	23.00	....	....	22.86	22.80

Estimated sales: 853 contracts
Open interest: 9,561 off 428

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#90219f2191 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Tuesday 405.31 up 2.40.

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#90219h0028 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NAIROBI (AUG. 7) XINHUA -- AFRICAN COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN URGED TO PRODUCE MORE FOOD BY PROPERLY UTILISING THEIR LAND RESOURCES.

KENYAN MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES DR. NJOROGE MUNGAI MADE THE APPEAL WHEN HE OPENED A REGIONAL TRAI- NING COURSE ON LAND USE MANAGEMENT HERE YESTERDAY.

THE MINISTER SAID THAT ONLY 30 PERCENT OF AFRICA'S LAND IS UTILIZED FOR CULTIVATION BECAUSE OF WIND AND SOIL EROSION, VE- GETATION DEGRADATION AND DESERTIFICATION.

HE SAID THE CURRENT FOOD CRISIS IN AFRICA WAS CAUSED BY LOW LEVEL OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY AGAINST THE RAPIDLY GROWING OF POPULATION, ADDING THAT AFRICAN COUNTRIES SHOULD NOT GENERALISE THE CAUSES OF AND REMEDIES FOR LAND DEGRADATION BUT TAKE UTMOST CAUTION TO FORMULATE SPECIFIC LAND MANAGEMENT STRA- TEGIES FOR SPECIFIC LAND USE PROBLEMS.

AFRICAN COUNTRIES, HE WENT ON, SHOULD DEFINE THE ROLE OF LAND IN RELATION TO ENVIRIONMENTAL FACTORS TO INCREASE FOOD PRODU- CTION SINCE AFRICA'S LAND RESOURCES ARE UNDER PRESSURE TO PRODUCE MORE GOODS AND SERVICES FOR ITS EXPANDING POPULATION LIVING IN EXTREME VARIATIONS OF BOTH LAND AND

AGRICULTURAL SYSTEMS.

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#90219h0040 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 7) XINHUA - THE STATE STATISTICAL BUREAU ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT IN THE FIRST HALF OF THE YEAR, THE PER CAPITA WAGE INCOME OF CHINESE WORKERS AVERAGED 935 YUAN, AN INCREASE OF 6.4 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR WITH INFLATION FACTORS DEDUCTED.

ACCORDING TO THE BUREAU, THE PER CAPITA WAGE INCOME OF WORKERS AT STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISES WAS 998 YUAN. WORKERS AT COLLECTIVELY OWNED ENTERPRISES AVERAGED 734 YUAN AND WORKERS AT FOREIGN-INVESTED ENTERPRISES EARNED 1,361 YUAN AVERAGELY, THE BUREAU REPORTED.

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#90219h0041 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 7) XINHUA - THE MISSING OF FOUR PRICELESS ICONS HAS AROUSED GENERAL CONCERN OVER THE PROTECTION OF CULTURAL RELICS IN CYPRUS. THE FOUR PIECES OF SEVENTEENTH CENTURY ICONS WERE STOLEN FROM METAMORPHOSIS CATHEDRAL IN DRYMOU VILLAGE IN PAPHOS ON FRIDAY EVENING, THE LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY.

THESE ICONS ARE PAINTINGS OF SAINT BASIL, APOSTLE LOUCAS, ST. PANTELEIMON AND ST. DEMETRIS.

THE PRESS QUOTED SENIOR CLERGYMAN ARCHIMANDRITE IOANNIS OF THE PAPHOS BISHOPRIC AS SAYING THAT THE ICONS "ARE VERY IMPORTANT AND INVALUABLE."

"WE HAD ASKED THE VILLAGERS TO PLACE THE ICONS IN THE BISHOPRIC'S BYZANTINE MUSEUM SO THAT THEY WERE SECURE FROM THEFT AND DECAY BUT THE VILLAGERS OBJECTED TO THE IDEA," IOANNIS WAS QUOTED AS SAYING.

A VARIETY OF ICONS DATING AS FAR BACK AS TO THE 12TH CENTURY WERE DISPLAYED IN THE BISHOPRIC'S MUSEUM.

THE PRESS REPORTED THAT THE ICONS WERE IN THEIR PLACE FRIDAY EVENING WHEN A WOMAN WAS AT THE CHURCH TO LIGHT THE CANDLES. BUT ON SATURDAY MORNING THEY HAD GONE, SHE SAID.

UP TO NOW NOBODY KNOWS WHETHER THE ROBBERS WERE LOCAL VILLAGERS, FOREIGNERS OR PERSONS FROM OTHER VILLAGES. POLICE INVESTINGATION IS UNDERWAY.

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#90219h0048 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

JAKARTA (AUG. 7) XINHUA - TALKS ON FURTHERING SINO- INDONESIAN ECONOMIC, TRADE AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION WERE HELD IN JAKARTA THIS MORNING.

ZHENG TUOBIN, VISITING CHINESE MINISTER OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS AND TRADE, LED THE CHINESE SIDE AT THE TALKS.

PARTICIPATING IN THE TALKS ON THE INDONESIAN SIDE WERE RADIUS PRAWIRO, COORDINATING MINISTER FOR ECONOMY, FINANCE, INDUSTRY AND DEVELOPMENT SUPERVISION; ARIFIN SIREGAR, MINISTER OF TRADE; AND HARTARTO, MINISTER OF INDUSTRY.

IN THE TALKS, BOTH SIDES BELIEVED THAT THERE EXIST GREAT POTENTIALS FOR ENHANCING THE SINO-INDONESIAN COOPERATIVE RELATIONS IN ECONOMIC, TRADE AND TECHNICAL FIELDS.

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MANILA (AUG. 7) XINHUA - THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (ADB) HAS APPROVED A 600,000 U.S. DOLLAR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT FOR BANGLADESH TO PREPARE AN INTEGRATED FLOOD PROTECTION PROJECT FOR THE CAPITAL CITY OF DHAKA, THE BANK ANNOUNCED TODAY.

GREATER DHAKA IS SURROUNDED ON ALL SIDES BY RIVERS, WHICH RECEIVE HEAVY RAINS DURING THE MONSOON SEASON. WHILE THE CENTRAL PARTS OF THE CITY ARE HIGH ENOUGH TO GENERALLY ESCAPE FLOODING, FRINGE AREAS REMAIN EXTENSIVELY INUNDATED FOR SEVERAL MONTHS EACH YEAR BY OVERFLOWS FROM THESE RIVERS.

ONE OF THE OBJECTIVES OF THE ASSISTANCE IS TO PREPARE A BASIC PLAN FOR INTEGRATED FLOOD PROTECTION AND IDENTIFY A PLAN FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION. SPECIAL EMPHASIS WILL BE LAID ON PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS RELATED TO THE MANAGEMENT INVOLVING LAND USE, WATER QUALITY AND SOLID WASTE TREATMENT, SANITATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF SLUM AND SQUATTER AREAS.

SINCE ALL THESE CONCERNS ARE CLOSELY LINKED WITH DIRECT PROGRAMS FOR FLOOD PROTECTION AND DRAINAGE, THE NEED FOR INTEGRATION IS OBVIOUS, THE BANK SAID.

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#90219h0058 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

FUZHOU (AUGUST 7) XINHUA - A NEW SHIPPING ROUTE WAS RECENTLY OPENED BETWEEN CHINA'S FUZHOU PORT IN FUJIAN PROVINCE AND INDONESIA.

THE FUJIAN PROVINCIAL SHIPPING COMPANY WILL OPERATE SAILINGS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

SO FAR, THE COMPANY HAS OPENED SHIPPING LINES TO MORE THAN 80 PORTS IN

OVER A DOZEN COUNTRIES, INCLUDING SINGAPORE, THAILAND, THE PHILIPPINES AND JAPAN. ENDITEM 07/08/90 1204GMT

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#90219h0059 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 7) XINHUA - A TOTAL OF 989 TAIWAN TRADEMARKS HAVE BEEN REGISTERED ON THE CHINESE MAINLAND SINCE 1988, ACCORDING TO A SEMINAR THAT BEGAN HERE TODAY.

THE MAINLAND HAS RECEIVED SOME 2,800 APPLICATIONS FOR TRADEMARK REGISTRATION FROM TAIWAN SINCE THEN, SAID LI JIZHONG, DEPUTY COUNCIL DIRECTOR OF THE CHINA INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION, AT THE TWO-DAY SEMINAR.

LI SAID THAT THE TRADEMARK BUREAU OF THE STATE ADMINISTRATION FOR INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE ANNOUNCED IN 1985 THAT TAIWAN BUSINESSMEN ARE WELCOME TO APPLY FOR TRADEMARK REGISTRATION ON THE CHINESE MAINLAND. IN FEBRUARY 1989 THE TRADEMARK BUREAU DECIDED TO SET UP AN AGENCY IN HONG KONG TO HANDLE TRADEMARK REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS FROM TAIWAN COMPATRIOTS.

MORE THAN 60 EXPERTS AND SCHOLARS FROM THE MAINLAND AND TAIWAN ARE ATTENDING THE SEMINAR, WHICH IS SPONSORED BY THE NATIONAL TRADEMARK COMMISSION OF THE CHINA INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION.

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#90219h0060 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NANJING (AUG. 7) XINHUA - A STATUE OF DR HOU DEBANG, THE LATE PIONEER OF CHINA'S MODERN CHEMICALS INDUSTRY, WAS UNVEILED HERE TODAY.

WITH AN INSCRIPTION WRITTEN BY MARSHAL NIE RONGZHEN, THE STATUE IS SITUATED IN THE GARDEN OF THE NANJING CHEMICAL INDUSTRY COMPANY, WHICH HOU SET UP 56 YEARS AGO.

HOU, WHO WAS BORN AUGUST 9, 1890, SET UP CHINA'S FIRST CAUSTIC SODA AND SYNTHETIC AMMONIA ENTERPRISE IN THE EARLY 1920S AFTER HE GAINED A PH.D IN THE UNITED STATES.

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#90219h0070 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 7) XINHUA - TIAN JIYUN, VICE-PREMIER OF THE STATE COUNCIL, STRESSED HERE TODAY THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ACHIEVE A BUMPER HARVEST OF COTTON THIS YEAR AND TO IMPROVE COTTON PURCHASING.

ADDRESSING THE OPENING CEREMONY OF A NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON COTTON PURCHASING, TIAN NOTED THAT THE SITUATION OF COTTON PRODUCTION THIS YEAR

IS BETTER THAN LAST YEAR'S AND THE COTTON-GROWING AREA IS LARGER.

HE SAID THAT SINCE AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER ARE AN IMPORTANT PERIOD FOR COTTON GROWTH, GOVERNMENTS AT ALL LEVELS IN THE COTTON-GROWING AREAS SHOULD MAKE ALL EFFORTS TO ORGANIZE DEPARTMENTS OF AGRICULTURE, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPLY AND MARKETING TO CARRY OUT THE WORK OF FIELD MANAGEMENT, AND CONTROL PLANT DISEASES AND INSECT PESTS TO ENSURE A GOOD HARVEST AND AN INCREASED OUTPUT OF COTTON.

HE ALSO CALLED FOR MORE ATTENTION TO BE PAID TO THE WORK OF PURCHASING COTTON TO AVOID A "COTTON WAR."

HE SAID THAT NEXT YEAR ONE OF THE FOREMOST TASKS WILL BE TO FURTHER EXPAND THE COTTON-GROWING AREA TO SIX MILLION HA.

MEANWHILE, HE SAID, EFFORTS SHOULD ALSO BE MADE TO PROMOTE ADVANCED COTTON-GROWING TECHNOLOGY TO RAISE PER-HA OUTPUT.

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#90219h0074 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HELSINKI (AUG. 7) XINHUA - PORTABLE TELEPHONES ARE ON THE RISE IN FINLAND WITH A TOTAL OF 200,000 PHONE PURCHASES RECORDED BY THE END OF JULY.

WITH THE FINNISH POPULATION NOT MORE THAN FIVE MILLION, EVERY 25 FINNISH OWN A PORTABLE TELEPHONE. FINLAND IS THE SECOND COUNTRY AFTER SWEDEN WITH THE MOST PORTABLE PHONES.

FINLAND STARTED IMPLEMENTED THE NEW PHONE SYSTEM IN 1982. PRESENTLY, ABOUT 4/5 OF FINNISH CITIZENS LIVE IN THE REGION WHICH IS UNDER NORTHERN EUROPE'S PORTABLE PHONE SYSTEM.

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#90219h0081 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (AUG. 7) XINHUA - VIOLENCE IN SOUTH AFRICA CLAIMED 1,591 LIVES IN THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, "THE CITIZEN" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA SAID TODAY.

THE PAPER QUOTED THE SOUTH AFRICAN INSTITUTE OF RACE RELATIONS AS SAYING IN JOHANNESBURG ON MONDAY THAT POLITICAL VIOLENCE CLAIMED MORE LIVES THIS YEAR COMPARED WITH 1989, WHICH SAW 1,403 PEOPLE DIE IN VIOLENCE.

ACCORDING TO THE INSTITUTE, THREE-QUARTERS OF THE FATALITIES THIS YEAR OCCURRED IN WAR-TORN NATAL PROVINCE, WHERE RIVAL BLACK GROUPS BACKING EITHER THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC) OR THE ZULU INKATHA MOVEMENT HAVE BEEN FIGHTING FOR YEARS.

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF FATALITIES IN POLITICAL VIOLENCE SINCE ITS OUTBREAK IN SEPTEMBER 1984 STOOD AT 7,130 BY THE END OF JUNE 1990.

MEANWHILE, THERE HAS BEEN A MARKED INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF FATALITIES OF SECURITY FORCES, MOSTLY MUNICIPAL POLICEMEN.

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#90219h0083 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISTANBUL (AUGUST 7) XINHUA - TURKEY HAS IMPOSED A SWEEPING RISE IN PETROLEUM PRICES STARTING TODAY BECAUSE OF THE HIKE OF OIL PRICES IN THE WORLD MARKET DUE TO IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT, THE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED LATE MONDAY NIGHT.

THE PRICE OF SUPER PETROLEUM HAS RISEN FROM 1,410 TURKISH LIRA (ABOUT 0.53 U.S. DOLLAR) PER LITER TO 1,620 LIRA (ABOUT 0.60 DOLLAR), WHILE THAT OF ORDINARY PETROLEUM HAS GONE UP BY 15 PERCENT, SAID THE ANNOUNCEMENT.

OTHER PRICE HIKES INCLUDE A 5 PERCENT INCREASE OF DIESEL OIL AND FUEL OIL.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT CAME AS OIL PRICES IN WORLD OIL MARKET SHOT UP BETWEEN 8 TO 9 DOLLARS A BARREL SINCE THE GULF CRISIS BEGAN IN LATE JULY WHEN IRAQ TROOPS WAS MASSED ON THE BORDER WITH KUWAIT.

IRAQ'S MOVE TO CLOSE ONE OF ITS TWIN PIPELINES CARRYING VITAL CRUDE EXPORTS THROUGH TURKEY AND SLASH A 30 PERCENT OF ITS OIL FLOW THROUGH THE SECOND PIPELINE WAS ALSO A FACTOR CONTRIBUTING TO THE RISE OF OIL PRICES IN TURKEY, WHICH DEPEND ON IRAQI OIL FOR ABOUT 64 PERCENT OF ITS OIL CONSUMPTION.

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#90219h0086 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 7) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINE NAVY TODAY TRANSFERRED 33 DRUMS OF ROCKET FUEL FROM SANGLEY NAVAL BASE IN CAVITE TO THE CABALLO ISLAND, SOME 30 MILES SOUTH OF MANILA.

NAVY COMMANDER ADMIRAL MARIANO DUMANCAS ORDERED THE TRANSFER OF THE POISONOUS ANHYDROUS HYDRAZINE CHEMICALS AS A PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE TO ALLAY APPREHENSIONS OF CAVITE RESIDENTS THAT THE TOXIC GAS MIGHT EXPLODE AND CAUSE DAMAGE IN NEARBY AREAS.

THE ANHYDROUS HYDRAZINE HAD BEEN STORED AT THE NAVAL SANGLEY DEPOT IN THE EARLY 1970S AS PART OF THE MILITARY'S SECRET PROJECT TO DEVELOP ITS OWN GUIDED MISSILES.

THE PROJECT WAS ABANDONED AFTER THE TESTING OF TWO TYPES OF ROCKETS MADE WAS DECLARED FAILURE.

A NAVY BARGE WAS USED TO MOVE THE 33 DRUMS OF PROCESSED AND UNPROCESSED HYDRAZINE CHEMICALS TO THE NAVAL ORDNANCE DEPOT IN CABALLO ISLAND FOR DISPOSAL.

DUMANCAS SAID THE NAVY IS NEGOTIATING WITH SOME GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE COMPANIES WHICH NEED PART OF THE CHEMICALS FOR MAKING INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS. THE REST IS EXPECTED TO BE DESTROYED.

WHILE THE PROCESSED ANHYDROUS HYDRAZINE WAS STORED AT A HEAVILY FORTIFIED BUNKER NEAR AN AIR FORCE AIRSTRIP, AT LEAST THREE DRUMS CONTAINING THE POISONOUS GAS SHOWED SOME DEGREE OF BULGING, THUS TRIGGERING FEARS THAT THEY MIGHT EXPLODE.

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#90219h0087 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

COLOMBO (AUG. 7) XINHUA - SRI LANKAN STATE MINISTER FOR DEFENSE RANJAN WIJERATNE PLEDGED TODAY THAT THE CRIMINALS OF THE LIBERATION TIGERS OF TAMIL EELAM (LTTE) RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MURDER OF INNOCENT PEOPLE IN THE EASTERN PROVINCE WOULD BE DESTROYED.

HE MADE THE PLEDGE WHEN ANSWERING QUESTIONS RAISED BY OPPOSITION LEADERS MRS. SIRIMAVO BANDARANAIKE IN PARLIAMENT.

PRESS REPORTS SAID THAT 67 MUSLIM FARMERS WERE KILLED BY THE LTTE IN AMPARA DISTRICT, EASTERN PROVINCE, ON MONDAY AND SUNDAY. THIS FOLLOWED THE MASSACRE BY THE LTTE OF OVER 140 MUSLIMS ON AUGUST 3 IN TWO MOSQUES IN KATHANKUDY, ALSO IN THE PROVINCE.

THE MINISTER SAID HE WOULD SEE TO IT THAT NO MORE INNOCENT MUSLIM BLOOD WOULD BE SHED BY LTTE REBELS.

"WE SHALL SHOW THEM NO MERCY. NO ONE SHOULD CALL FOR A CEASEFIRE. WE ARE GOING ALL OUT TO DESTROY THE LTTE CRIMINALS," HE SAID.

MRS. BANDARANAIKE SAID THAT THERE WAS NO DOUBT THAT THE ACTS OF BARBARISM AT KATHANKUDY OVER WHICH THE OPPOSITION AND OTHER POLITICAL PARTIES HAD EXPRESSED SHOCK, HORROR AND GRIEF WAS THE LTTE'S BARBARISM.

THE LTTE HAD NO RESPECT FOR TEMPLES, MOSQUES OR CHURCH, SHE SAID, ADDING THAT "THEIR RELIGION IS VIOLENCE."

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#90219h0089 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 7) XINHUA - THE MEMBER OF THE PHILIPPINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES EARLIER CONVICTED OF GUN SMUGGLING TODAY GAVE UP HIS

CONGRESSIONAL SEAT IN AN UNCONDITIONAL RESIGNATION.

IN A STIRRING PRIVILEGE SPEECH, REPRESENTATIVE NICANOR DE GUZMAN GAVE UP HIS HOUSE SEAT "TO SPARE THE HOUSE FROM FURTHER DIVISION."

A LOWER COURT HERE FOUND DE GUZMAN GUILTY OF SMUGGLING IN THE COUNTRY ABOUT 300 PIECES OF HAND GUNS FROM THE UNITED STATES.

DE GUZMAN HAS DENIED THE CHARGE AND HAS APPEALED HIS CONVICTION BEFORE THE COURT OF APPEALS.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES RAMON MITRA SAID GUZMAN'S RESIGNATION IS A STEP TO REGAIN THE REPUTATION OF THE HOUSE.

"BY CHOOSING TO RESIGN, DE GUZMAN AFFIRMS THE TIME-HONORED RULE THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THIS HOUSE MUST BEHAVE WITH UTMOST PROPRIETY," HE SAID.

ALERT MILITARY GUARDS OF THE MANILA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FOUND DE GUZMAN AND AN ASSOCIATE BUSINESSMAN WITH PIECES OF HANDGUNS IN HIS LUGGAGE LAST YEAR WHEN THEY ARRIVED BACK FROM A TRIP TO THE U.S.

THE GUN SMUGGLING SPARKED ANOTHER CONTROVERSY IN THE SCANDAL-RIDDEN HOUSE, PROMPTING HOUSE SPEAKER MITRA TO CALL OPENLY FOR HIS OUSTER.

LAST MONDAY, A HOUSE ETHICS COMMITTEE HAS RECOMMENDED FOR THE CONGRESSMAN'S OUSTER. A VOTING IS SCHEDULED TOMORROW, BUT THIS HAS BEEN PREEMPTED BY DE GUZMAN'S RESIGNATION OF HIS SEAT.

THERE HAVE BEEN PERCEPTIONS THAT HIS COLLEAGUES WOULD VOTE FOR HIS OUSTER. MITRA EVEN WARNED THAT HE WOULD GIVE UP HIS SPEAKERSHIP AND HIS SEAT IN THE HOUSE IF DE GUZMAN REFUSES TO RESIGN.

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#90219h0096 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

COLOMBO (AUG. 7) XINHUA - CURFEW WAS IMPOSED IN THE TRINCOMALEE DISTRICT FROM 7 P.M ON MONDAY IN ORDER TO DEFUSE MOUNTING TENSION BETWEEN THE MUSLIM AND TAMIL COMMUNITIES.

SECURITY SOURCES IN COLOMBO TODAY DISCLOSED THAT THE SECURITY OF MUSLIM AND TAMIL LEADERS IN THE TRINCOMALEE DISTRICT HAS BEEN THREATENED BY THE LIBERATION TIGERS OF TAMIL EELAM (LTTE) FOLLOWING THE GRUESOME MASSACRE OF OVER 140 MUSLIM WORSHIPPERS ON FRIDAY AT KATHANKUDY IN THE DATTICALOA DISTRICT.

"THERE HAS BEEN AN EXTRA DEPLOYMENT OF POLICE AND ARMY PERSONNEL IN THE AREA, AND VILLAGE DEFENSES HAVE BEEN STRENGTHENED," A TOP DEFENSE SOURCE HERE SAID.

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#90219h0102 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 7) XINHUA - FIFTEEN PASSENGERS AND TWO FIREMEN WERE INJURED WHEN SMOKE FROM TWO ENGINES CAUSED AN EMERGENCY EVACUATION OF A CANADIAN JUMBO JET AT LONDON'S GATWICK AIRPORT ON TUESDAY.

THE BOEING 747, BELONGING TO CANADIAN CHARTER COMPANY NATIONAIR, WAS MOVING OFF THE RUNWAY AFTER A FLIGHT FROM MONTREAL, CANADA, WHEN SMOKE WAS SEEN COMING FROM THE ENGINES.

THE 439 PASSENGERS AND CREW ON BOARD SLID DOWN ESCAPE CHUTES AS FIRE ENGINES AND AMBULANCES SURROUNDED THE AIRCRAFT.

AN AMBULANCE SERVICE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT 15 PASSENGERS WERE SLIGHTLY HURT WHILE ESCAPING AND TWO FIREMEN WERE OVERCOME BY SMOKE.

A GATWICK AIRPORT SPOKESMAN SAID: "THE AIRCRAFT HAS BEEN TAKEN AWAY FOR EXAMINATION TO DISCOVER THE CAUSE OF THE SMOKE.

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#90219h0112 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

OTTAWA (AUG. 7) XINHUA - DRIVEN BY HIGH INTEREST RATES AND A SOARING CANADIAN DOLLAR, CANADA'S CORPORATE PROFITS DECLINED SHARPLY IN THE SECOND QUARTER OF THIS YEAR.

IN A DOW JONES SURVEY OF 190 EARLY-REPORTING CANADIAN COMPANIES, SECOND-QUARTER OPERATING EARNINGS WERE 2.36 BILLION CANADIAN DOLLARS (TWO BILLION U.S. DOLLARS), DOWN 29 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER, BUT UP 21 PERCENT FROM THE FIRST QUARTER.

IN ALL, SIX-MONTH EARNINGS DROPPED 34 PERCENT TO 4.31 BILLION CANADIAN DOLLARS (3.44 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS), ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY PUBLISHED TODAY IN THE MONTREAL-BASED DAILY "GAZETTE".

ANALYSTS HERE EXPECT PROFIT DECLINES TO CONTINUE THROUGH THE END OF THE YEAR.

THOSE SUFFERED THE BRUNT OF THE DOWNWARD TREND IN THE SECOND QUARTER WERE FORESTRY AND MANUFACTURING COMPANIES, WITH EARNINGS AMONG SURVEYED COMPANIES DOWN 76 PERCENT AND 39 PERCENT RESPECTIVELY, FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

CANADA'S CENTRAL BANK HAS BEEN PURSUING A HIGH INTEREST RATE POLICY TO FIGHT THE INFLATION, WHICH STANDS AT ABOUT 4.3 PERCENT ANNUALLY. AS A RESULT, THE COUNTRY'S PRIME LENDING RATE HAS REMAINED AT AN EIGHT-YEAR

HIGH OF 14.75 PERCENT FOR MONTHS, AND THE CANADIAN DOLLAR HAS RECENTLY HIT 10 YEARS' HIGH, REACHING 87.10 U.S. CENTS MONDAY.

CANADIAN ANALYSTS SAY THE TIGHT MONETARY POLICY HAS ERODED CORPORATE EARNINGS BY QUASHING EXPORTS AND STIFLING CONSUMER SPENDING.

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#90219h0114 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ATHENS (AUG. 7) XINHUA - INFLATION IN GREECE REMAINED AT THE HIGH LEVEL OF 21.6 PERCENT IN JULY, REPORTS HERE SAID.

THE JULY 21.6 PERCENT INFLATION RATE COMPARES WITH CORRESPONDING RATES OF 13.5 AND 13.2 PERCENT IN THE PREVIOUS TWO YEARS.

THE AVERAGE LEVEL OF INFLATION FOR THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD (JANUARY-JULY) THIS YEAR WAS 19 PERCENT, AS AGAINST 13.5 AND 13 PERCENT IN 1989 AND 1988.
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#90219h0126 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA (AUG. 7) XINHUA - AUSTRALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER GARETH EVANS FLEW IN HERE TODAY ON A THREE-DAY VISIT TO BANGLADESH.

THE AUSTRALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, CURRENTLY ON A SOUTH ASIAN TOUR, HAS ALREADY VISITED INDIA AND PAKISTAN AND WILL FLY TO SRI LANKA FROM HERE AT THE THIRD LAP OF HIS TOUR.

BANGLADESH OFFICIAL SOURCES INDICATED THAT EVANS' VISIT IS AIMED AT ENLISTING DHAKA'S SUPPORT AND UNDERSTANDING ON THE AUSTRALIAN POLICIES AND INITIATIVES IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC AND INDIAN OCEAN REGION.

DURING HIS STAY HERE, EVANS IS EXPECTED TO MEET WITH BANGLADESH PRESIDENT H.M. ERSHAD AND HIS BANGLADESHI COUNTERPART ANISUL ISLAM MAHMUD AND SOME OPPOSITION LEADERS.

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#90219h0148 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LIMA (AUG. 7) XINHUA - PERUVIAN POLICE HAVE BOLSTERED SECURITY AT VARIOUS CAPITAL COMMERCIAL CENTERS, FEARING THAT THE IMMINENT PUBLICATION OF THE GOVERNMENT'S ECONOMIC STABILIZATION PROGRAM MAY TRIGGER A RASH OF ASSAULTS ON SHOPS AND THEIR GOODS.

GOVERNMENT SOURCES SAID MONDAY THAT WITHIN THE WEEK THE NEWLY-INSTALLED ADMINISTRATION OF PRESIDENT ALBERTO FUJIMORI WILL REVEAL ITS ECONOMIC STABILIZATION PROGRAM, WHICH WILL INCLUDE SEVERE AUSTERITY MEASURES

DESIGNED TO RESTRUCTURE THE NATION'S RAVAGED ECONOMY.

OFFICIALS STRESSED THE SEVERITY OF THE ECONOMIC PLAN AND SAID IT WILL NOT INCLUDE THE TRADITIONAL ECONOMIC PACKAGE INTRODUCED IN EARLIER MONTHS IN ORDER TO HELP THE POPULATION'S PURCHASING POWER TO BOUNCE BACK AND BRING THE PRICE OF PUBLIC UTILITY UP TO REAL COSTS.

OFFICIALS SAID THE PLAN ALSO INCLUDES REAL WAGE INCREASES RIGGED TO A PROJECTED INFLATION RATE, BUT ALLAYED FEARS OF A SELF-PERPETUATING INFLATIONARY TREND HAPPENING AGAIN, AS IT DID DURING THE PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATION.

IN SPITE OF THE GOVERNMENT'S REASSURANCES, RESIDENTS ANXIOUS ABOUT THE INEVITABLE RISE IN PRICES ARE BUYING AND HOARDING ESSENTIAL GOODS.

IN MANY NEIGHBORHOOD SHOPS, RESIDENTS CANNOT FIND SUCH BASIC DIETARY STAPLES AS BREAD, RICE, COOKING OILS AND SUGAR. IN THE DISTRICT OF VICTORIA, DISGRUNTLED CONSUMERS HAVE MADE MASS RUNS ON STORE SHELVES.

TO PREVENT FURTHER ASSAULTS ON STORES AND POSSIBLE MASS LOOTING, METROPOLITAN POLICE HAVE STATIONED REINFORCEMENTS AT MAJOR SHOPPING CENTERS.

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#90219h0150 08/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BOGOTA (AUGUST 7) XINHUA - COLOMBIA'S INCOMING PRESIDENT, CESAR GAVIRIA TRUJILLO, NAMED THE OTHER EIGHT MEMBERS OF HIS CABINET MONDAY, ONE DAY BEFORE THE TRANSITION OF POWER TAKES PLACE LATER TODAY.

OF THE EIGHT NEWLY-NAMED MINISTERS, FOUR ARE KNOWN TO BE CONSERVATIVES, THREE LIBERALS AND ONE IS A FORMER GUERRILLA REPRESENTING THE M-19 DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE.

THE NEW CABINET MEMBERS ARE: 42-YEAR-OLD ANTONIO NAVARRO WOLF, AN EX-PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE OF THE M-19 DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE AND THE NEW ADMINISTRATION'S MINISTER OF HEALTH COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER ALBERTO CASAS SANTAMARIA, A 46-YEAR-OLD CONSERVATIVE CONSERVATIVE JUSTICE MINISTER JAIME GIRALDO ANGEL, 60 CONSERVATIVE AGRICULTURE MINISTER MARIA DEL ROSARIO SUTES, 39 AND CONSERVATIVE LABOR MINISTER FRANCISCO POSADA DE LA PENA, 60.

THE REMAINING, LIBERAL CABINET MEMBERS ARE: PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION MINISTER JUAN FELIPE GAVIRIA, 50 NATIONAL EDUCATION MINISTER ALFONSO VALDIVIESO SARMIENTO AND MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINERAL RESOURCES LUIS FERNANDO VERGARA, 44.

THE FIRST FOUR MEMBERS OF GAVIRIA'S NEW CABINET WERE NAMED JULY 23 AND ARE ALL CONSIDERED TO BE LIBERALS: INTERIOR MINISTER JULIO SANCHEZ, FOREIGN

RELATIONS MINISTER LUIS FERNANDO JARAMILLO, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MINISTER ERNESTO SAMPER PIZANO AND MINISTER OF FINANCE RUDOLFO HOMMES.

GAVIRIA HAS FILLED HIS CABINET'S 12 CIVILIAN POSTS, BUT HAS YET TO DESIGNATE ANYONE TO THE FINAL AND REMAINING POST OF DEFENSE MINISTER TO HEAD THE COUNTRY'S MILITARY. OBSERVERS BELIEVE HE WILL ASK THE COUNTRY'S CURRENT CHIEF OF THE ARMED FORCES, OSCAR BOTERO RESTREPO, TO STAY ON AS DEFENSE MINISTER.

THE PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE LATER TODAY, ALONG WITH THE SWEARING IN OF HIS CABINET.

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Donahue

(Transcript #3004) August 3, 1990

A Whole New You The latest and best in plastic surgery techniques, collagen injections, lipo-suction, and silicon gel breast implants. Dr. Luis Navarro explains the procedures and benefits of surgical alterations.

Good Morning America (ABC)

(Transcript #1080) August 3, 1990

Threat of Iraq; Kuwait invasion and oil prices; new Football Hall of Famers; Candice Bergen interview; suit over Agent Orange; 65th Running of the Hambletonian (harness race); Spike Lee interview; Review: Duck Tales: The Movie; Ron gets in harness.

Oprah Winfrey

(Transcript #1015)August 3, 1990

My Kid's a Video Zombie: Parents share their frustration about children who play video games non-stop for hours. Dr. Gary Stollack, University of Michigan child psychologist, offers advice on how to control video game ''addiction.''

Geraldo

(Transcript #752) August 3, 1990

Mothers-in-Law v. Daughters-in Law Mothers-in-law and their daughters-in-laws discuss relationships, and what they feel a mother's role should be in her child's marriage

Sally Jessy Raphael

(Transcript #500) August 3, 1990

I'm Out of Prison and I Want My Baby Back: A mother who asked a couple to take care of her child while she was in prison has difficulty getting her daughter back due to legal complications. She says the couple wants to keep her. The couple denies this, says they want mother and daughter reunited, but also want what's best for the child.

Larry King Live (CNN)

(Transcript #100) August 3, 1990

Swartz Murder Case / Extraordinary Policemen: Author Leslie Walker, Sudden Fury, discusses her research with John Reily, who lived with family murdered by Larry Swartz; and Warren Duckett, prosecutor in the Swartz case; Undercover policemen/authors Vincent Murano, Cop Hunter; Frank Friel Breaking the Mob, discuss their books.

Crossfire (CNN) (Transcript #110) August 3, 1990

Between Iraq and a Hard Place: Former U.S. 6th Fleet Commander, Adm. Eugene Carroll, USN (Ret.); former Assistant Secretary of State Richard Hormats, and OPEC analyst Kenneth Miller discusse military, economic and diplomatic options open to the United States in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Moneyline (CNN)

(Transcript #154) August 3, 1990

Panic buying became panic selling on New York Mercantile Exchange, with oil traders struggling to make sense of situation in the Persian Gulf; prices for crude oil surge despite worldwide glut; Dep. Secretary of Energy, W. Henson Moore discusses how Middle East events affect U.S. energy policy; Nation's unemployment up in July to 5-1/2 percent, highest in two years, signalling U.S. eoconomy close to recession; Mitchell Hutchins Asset Management portfolio manager Nimrod Fachler says best way

to hedge investments is to diversify through global investing.

Nightline (ABC)

(Transcript #2400) August 3, 1990

How Far Will Saddam Hussein Go?: Although condemned world wide, including by the Arab League, many leaders do not believe Iraqi Pres. Hussein will withdraw from Kuwait; worry over Iraqi troops' continued march toward Saudi Arabian border.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV)

(Transcript #140) August 3, 1990

New York's Crime Problem: Mayor Dinkins proposes amnesty to those who turn in illegal weapons. Mayor denies Daily News report he's angry with Police Commissioner Lee Brown for asking for 5,000 more cops on streets; fighting crime in NYC.

Washington Week in Review (WETA) (Transcript #123) August 3, 1990

''Hussein Seizes Kuwait''; ''Signs of U.S. Weakening Economy'' (unemployment rate has hit two-year high); ''Savings & Loan Scandal Grows'' (while budget deadlock goes on, unbroken).

20/20 (ABC)

(Transcript #1031) August 3, 1990

''The Long Road Back'' (former skid-row bum and Pulitzer Prize- winning journalist Bob Richardson talks about the Los Angeles suburb of Watts); ''The Piano Man'' (singer Billy Joel); ''Feeling Nauseous'' (How to avoid motion sickness); ''Whatever Happened to Evel Knievel?'' Health Week (CNN) (Transcript #26) August 4, 1990

The U.S. approves first gene therapy: modified genes to tell the body what to do to overcome disease; a new bill in Congress would force tobacco companies to pay part of Medicare/Medicaid costs for patients with smoking-related illnesses; controversy continues over a person's right to die, as well as treatment of terminally ill or in comas; National Institute on Mental Health says millions of Americans who suffer physically from panic attacks may miss out on appropriate treatment.

Moneyweek (CNN)

(Transcript #31) August 4, 1990

Resolution Trust Corporation to sell off nearly $12 billion in seized assets; IBM to shed low technology,typewriter business; UAW, Big Three auto makers hammering out new contract; Gorbachev, rival Boris Yeltsin form joint committee to revamp the Soviet economy; A cooperative program in Moscow may show way for future of Soviet economy.

Your Money (CNN)

(Transcript #31) August 4, 1990

FDIC's new rules on certain deposit accounts; Community Home Buyers Program creates partnership between lenders, the GE Mortgage Insurance Company and Fannie Mae; Magellan Fund portfolio manager Morris Smith discusses his future plans; passbook savings accounts make a comeback; auto''lemon law.''

The Wall Street Journal Report

(Transcript #410) August 4, 1990 ''Roll Out the Barrels'' (Economic impact of Iraq as OPEC ''enforcer,'' and why U.S. probably not headed for major recession, despite recent economic downturn); ''Ring in the New'' (GM's new Saturn automobile draws yawns from Wall Street analysts); ''I Do or Do I?'' (do's and don'ts of pre-nuptial agreements); ''Yankee, Go Home'' (N.Y. Yankees new limited partner George Steinbrenner's management techniques).

Business World (ABC)

(Transcript #196) August 5, 1990

Economic fallout from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait; battle over entertainment dollars in Orlando; Germany could replace Britain as Europe's economic capital.

This Week with David Brinkley (ABC) (Transcript #458) August 5, 1990

U.S. Rescue Mission into Liberia/Iraq-Kuwait Situation: Possibility of U.S. military action to protect U.S interests; Roundtable discussion on President Bush's options; Rep. Fortney ''Pete'' Stark's (D-CA) apologies about remark that Health and Human Services Secretary Dr. Louis Sullivan was a'' disgrace professionally and to his race.''

60 Minutes (CBS)

(Transcript #2246) August 5, 1990 ''Middle East Crisis'' (live report on Iraq's attack on Kuwait); ''Dr. Day is Quitting'' (San Francisco surgeon demands more be done to ensure health care workers' safety when treating AIDS patients); ''Melinda''(young,extraordinary multiple sclerosis

sufferer); ''Andy Rooney'' (holding things together).

The Health Show (ABC)

(Transcipt #172) August 5, 1990 ''Gene Therapy Cancer Treatment Experiment'' (''souped-up'' immune fighters); ''Piggyback Heart Transplants'' (new surgical technique); ''Washington Nuclear Reservation Leak'' (researchers looking for illness caused by radioactive iodine); ''Travel Cautions'' (where to go for help before you pack); ''Curtis Pride Pro Outfielder'' (deaf major league player).

Evans & Novak (CNN)

(Transcript #20) August 4, 1990

Persian Gulf Crisis: Sen. Lloyd Bentsen (D-TX), Sen. Arlen Specter (R-PA) on Persian Gulf/Kuwait/Iraq situation

Inside Business (CNN)

(Transcript #31) August 5, 1990

Two economists discuss Middle East crisis and its effect on our economy, especially the economic justification for sudden rise in gas prices; whether U.S. economy is headed towards a recession.

Science & Technology Week (CNN) (Transcript #26) August 4, 1990

Killer whales being trained by sound signals; new Soviet cosmonauts relieve crew on Mir space station; Motorola develops 2 oz. watch with pager; Gobi fish invading Great Lakes; new aircraft de-icing system; computers ''see'' like human eye; HDTV (High-density television) theatres opening.

Newsmaker Saturday (CNN)

(Transcript #20) August 4, 1990

Persian Gulf Crisis: Adm. William Crowe, USN (Ret.), Sen. Howard Metzenbaum (D-OH), Rep. Les Aspin (D-WI), and David Mizrahi discuss Iraq/Kuwait confrontation.

Newsmaker Sunday (CNN)

(Transcript # 20) August 5, 1990

Persian Gulf Crisis: Discussed by Amb. Clovis Maksoud, Sen. Richard Shelby (D-AL) and Gary Ross, Petroleum Industry Research Associates.

CNN Specials

(Transcript #3) August 5, 1990 Tropics in Trouble:Special report shows how scientific study in Costa Rica's rain forest fosters better management of the tropics.

Pinnacle (CNN) August 4, 1990

Eugene Lang (REFAC Technology Development Corp.): Today, 40 years after it began, REFAC Technology Development Corp. has helped create hundreds of new businesses in 15 countries, by licensing production of new technology. Lang sharess wealth by giving scholarships, inspiration to black and Hispanic students.

Like It Is (WABC-TV)

(Transcript # 777) August 5, 1990

Al Vann (Brooklyn, N.Y. Assemblyman): discusses efforts to improve economic, social conditions, among NYC Afro-American males.

Monday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Candice Bergen & the Cast of Murphy Brown Sally Jessy Raphael: Elephant Man's Disease Geraldo: Garbo Syndrome (reclusive stars) Oprah Winfrey: Situational Anxiety

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TOKYO (AUG. 7) KYODO - THE NATIONAL PERSONNEL AGENCY (NPA) ON TUESDAY RECOMMENDED AN AVERAGE 3.67 PERCENT OR 10,728 YEN MONTHLY WAGE INCREASE FOR CENTRAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES DURING FISCAL 1990, NPA OFFICIALS SAID.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE NPA MADE THE RECOMMENDATION TO THE GOVERNMENT AND THE DIET TO RAISE THE RATE RETROSPECTIVE TO APRIL 1.

THE 3.67 PERCENT INCREASE IS UP 0.56 PERCENTAGE POINT FROM THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR'S WAGE INCREASE RATE, AND THE RISING RATE REFLECTS THE AVERAGE 5.95 PERCENT INCREASES IN MONTHLY WAGES IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

WAGES OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES WILL INCREASE FROM AN AVERAGE OF 291,949 YEN FOR FISCAL 1989 TO 302,677 YEN FOR FISCAL 1990 IF THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE NPA IS IMPLEMENTED, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE GOVERNMENT WILL DECIDE IN THE AUTUMN WHETHER OR NOT TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATION AND IS EXPECTED TO ALLOCATE 550 BILLION YEN TO FINANCE THE WAGE INCREASE, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

IF THE GOVERNMENT IMPLEMENTS THE NPA'S RECOMMENDATIONS ON WAGE INCREASES WITHOUT ASKING FOR A REVISION, IT WILL BE THE FIFTH YEAR IN A ROW FOR IT TO DO SO, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE STARTING MONTHLY WAGES OF UNIVERSITY GRADUATES WHO ARE EXPECTED TO EVENTUALLY ASSUME HIGHER CAREER POSTS IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE HAVE BEEN SET AT 157,300 YEN, AN INCREASE OF 7.3 PERCENT OVER FISCAL 1989 THAT ENDED MARCH 31, 1990.

THE NPA RECOMMENDED THE HIGHER STARTING RATE FOR UNIVERSITY GRADUATES BECAUSE MORE AND MORE YOUNG PERSONS ARE TENDING TO STAY AWAY FROM GOVERNMENT JOBS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

AS FOR YEAR-END BONUSES, THE AGENCY HAS RECOMMENDED THAT GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES BE GIVEN BONUSES EQUIVALENT TO 5.35 MONTHS WAGES, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE NPA HAS ALSO URGED THE GOVERNMENT TO ADOPT A 40-HOUR WORKING WEEK SYSTEM FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES IN A BID TO IMPLEMENT A FIVE-DAY WEEK SYSTEM IN GOVERNMENT OFFICES.

IT HAS ALSO PROPOSED A THREE-DAY SUMMER VACATION FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES.

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#90219k0060 08/07/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 7) KYODO - RECOVERING CONFIDENCE IN THE DOMESTIC ECONOMY LED JAPANESE CONSUMERS TO FEEL THEIR LIVING STANDARD HAS PICKED UP IN THE SECOND QUARTER THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO A GOVERNMENT SURVEY RELEASED TUESDAY.

THE ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY (EPA) SAID IN ITS QUARTERLY REPORT THAT ITS INDEX OF CONSUMER CONFIDENCE ROSE 0.9 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS QUARTER TO A SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED 47.2 PERCENT IN THE APRIL-JUNE QUARTER.

THE FIGURE FOLLOWS A 1.8 PERCENT DROP IN THE JANUARY-MARCH PERIOD, THE FIRST DECLINE IN THREE STRAIGHT QUARTERS. THE DOWNTURN WAS CAUSED BY GROWING UNCERTAINTIES OVER THE JAPANESE ECONOMY DUE TO THE SLUMP IN FINANCIAL MARKETS EARLY THIS YEAR AND RISING INTEREST RATES, IT SAID.

THE EPA'S LATEST SURVEY IS THE RESULT OF A QUESTIONNAIRE CIRCULATED IN MID-JUNE TO 5,040 HOUSEHOLDS NATIONWIDE, TO WHICH VIRTUALLY ALL REPLIED.

THE SURVEY, CONDUCTED ON A QUARTELY BASIS SINCE 1982, IS AIMED AT GAUGING BASIC CONSUMER SENTIMENT IN 20 AREAS SUCH AS INCOME GROWTH, INTEREST BURDENS, EMPLOYMENT, AND PURCHASING BEHAVIOR, AS WELL AS TRACKING SPENDING ON DURABLE GOODS.

OUT OF THE 20 CATEGORIES, 16 FIELDS SHOWED IMPROVEMENT OVER THE PREVIOUS QUARTER IN THE APRIL-JUNE PERIOD, COMPARED WITH 10 IN THE JANUARY-MARCH PERIOD AND 16 IN THE OCTOBER-DECEMBER QUARTER LAST YEAR.

DESPITE A GENERAL SENSE THAT LIVING STANDARDS HAVE IMPROVED, JAPANESE CONSUMERS REMAINED DISSATISFIED WITH THE HEAVY BURDEN OF INTEREST RATE PAYMENTS ON LOANS AND THE LOW LEVEL OF DISPOSABLE INCOME, IT SAID.

BETWEEN APRIL AND JUNE PURCHASES OF 16 DURABLE GOODS SHOWED YEAR-ON-YEAR GAINS, INCLUDING AUTOS, MICROWAVE OVENS, AND GOLF SETS. HOWEVER, SALES OF 17 ITEMS LIKE VIDEO CASSETTE RECORDERS AND REFRIGERATORS DROPPED. PURCHASES OF FIVE OTHER ITEMS REMAINED UNCHANGED.

FOR THE JULY-SEPTEMBER QUARTER, JAPANESE HOUSEHOLDS SHOWED AN INCREASING APPETITE FOR CAMCORDERS, RUGS, AIRCONDITIONERS, BUT WERE LESS INTERESTED IN VACUUM CLEANERS, AUTOMOBILES, WASHING MACHINES AND VCRS, IT SAID.

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#90219k0064 08/07/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 7) KYODO - SOME 80 RUNNERS, INCLUDING 20 AMERICAN INDIANS AND 30 JAPANESE, STARTED AN 8,500-KILOMETER MARATHON FROM LONDON ON MONDAY TO PRAY FOR PEACE AND CALL FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

THE RUNNERS ON MONDAY MARCHED THROUGH LONDON CITY AND PRAYED FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE ATOMIC-BOMBING OF HIROSHIMA 45 YEARS AGO, AND STARTED RUNNING THE MARATHON TUESDAY MORNING.

THE MARATHON, CALLED THE ''SACRED RUN,'' WAS ORGANIZED BY DENNIS BANKS, A FOUNDER OF THE AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT IN THE UNITED STATES.

IT WILL TAKE THE RUNNERS THROUGH FRANCE, BELGIUM, EAST AND WEST GERMANY, POLAND, THREE SOVIET BALTIC REPUBLICS, SWEDEN, NORWAY, AND FINLAND, AND THEY ARE SCHEDULED TO REACH MOSCOW ON OCTOBER 10, THE ORGANIZERS SAID.

DURING THE RUN, MUSIC, DANCE, POETRY, SONGS, AND STORYTELLING FROM THE DIFFERENT CULTURAL TRADITIONS OF THE PARTICIPANTS WILL BE PRESENTED, THEY SAID.

MEMBERS OF THE AINU ETHNIC MINORITY OF HOKKAIDO, NORTHERN JAPAN ARE AMONG THE JAPANESE PARTICIPANTS. MAKOTO OKUNO, 37, FROM JAPAN, SAID, ''THE EARTH HAS REACHED THE LIMIT AS A RESULT OF ENVIRONMENTAL DESTRUCTION, POLLUTION, WAR AND VARIOUS FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION. I HOPE THIS JOURNEY WILL REMIND ME OF WHAT CIVILIZATION FORGOT.''

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#90219k0066 08/07/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 7) KYODO - MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY KABUN MUTO SAID TUESDAY THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS READY TO EASE ITS RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF OIL STOCKPILES IN JAPAN TO MINIMIZE FEARS OF AN OIL CRISIS.

''IF THE SPIRAL IN OIL PRICES CONTINUES, WE ARE READY TO ALLOW A DRASTIC DECLINE IN THE REQUIRED OIL STOCK LEVEL IN ORDER TO COOL THE MARKET,'' MUTO TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE.

JAPAN'S BAN ON OIL IMPORTS FROM IRAQ AND KUWAIT FOLLOWING IRAQ'S INVASION OF ITS OIL-RICH NEIGHBOR LAST WEEK KINDLED FEARS OF AN OIL CRISIS IN JAPAN AND BOOSTED OIL PRICES.

JAPAN DEPENDS ON IMPORTS FOR 99 PERCENT OF ITS OIL AND THE EMBARGO IN OIL IMPORTS FROM THE TWO COUNTRIES IS EXPECTED TO CUT THE NATION'S SUPPLY BY 12 PERCENT. IN TOKYO DEALINGS, TUESDAY, THE PRICE OF THE SPOT BENCHMARK DUBAI CRUDE SURGED NEARLY 4 DOLLARS TO AROUND 26 DOLLARS PER BARREL.

ASKED WHETHER THE USE OF OIL STOCKPILES WILL START IN THE PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SECTOR, MUTO SAID IT IS APPROPRIATE TO USE STOCKS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR FIRST.

JAPANESE STOCKPILES OF OIL WERE SUFFICIENT FOR 142 DAYS OF CONSUMPTION AT THE END OF JUNE, OF WHICH 88 DAYS WORTH ARE RESERVED IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

UNDER GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS, OIL COMPANIES ARE REQUIRED TO STOCKPILE ENOUGH OIL TO LAST FOR AT LEAST 82 DAYS.

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#90219k0071 08/07/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

GENEVA, SWITZERLAND (AUG. 7) KYODO - TWO JAPANESE SCALING THE 4,807-METER MONT BLANC DIED SUNDAY WHEN THEY FELL FROM THE MOUNTAIN BECAUSE OF A ROCKSLIDE, THE JAPANESE CONSULATE GENERAL IN MILAN, ITALY, SAID TUESDAY.

THE TWO DEAD MOUNTAINEERS, TOSHIAKI UNE, 42, AND KAYOKO WADA, 37, WERE TRAVERSING TOWARD THE GRANDES JORASSES WITH A FRENCH GUIDE AND ANOTHER JAPANESE WHEN THEY MET WITH THE ACCIDENT.

THE GUIDE AND THE THIRD JAPANESE ESCAPED UNHURT. ROCKSLIDES ON MONT BLANC HAVE OCCURRED FREQUENTLY THIS SUMMER BECAUSE THE PERPETUAL SNOWFIELD THERE HAS BEEN RAPIDLY THAWING IN THE UNUSUALLY HOT WEATHER.

NINE PERSONS DIED BECAUSE OF ROCKSLIDES IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE SWISS ALPS LAST WEEKEND.

WADA'S HUSBAND DIED SEVERAL YEARS AGO WHILE CLIMBING MT. ACONCAGUA IN CHILE.

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#90219k0073 08/07/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 7) KYODO - THE BANK OF JAPAN (BOJ) SAID TUESDAY IT WILL SELL 600 BILLION YEN WORTH OF FINANCING BILLS (FB) TO THE PRIVATE SECTOR WEDNESDAY UNDER REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS SET FOR AUGUST 16.

THE SELLING RATE IS SET AT 7.5299 PERCENT. THIS TYPE OF FUND-ABSORBING SELLING OPERATION IS USUALLY CONDUCTED WHEN THE MARKET HAS AN AMPLE FUND SURPLUS, AND THIS TIME IT IS RATHER UNUSUAL, ACCORDING TO FINANCIAL MARKET SOURCES.

THE CENTRAL BANK EXPECTS A NARROW FUND SHORTAGE WEDNESDAY AS IT HAS 1 TRILLION YEN WORTH OF MATURED DISCOUNT BILLS AGAINST AN EXPECTED FUND SURPLUS OF ONLY 200 BILLION YEN, THEY SAID.

OTHER SOURCES, HOWEVER, SAID THE OPERATION IS ''ADEQUATE.'' THE CENTRAL BANK'S REPURCHASE AUGUST 16, WHEN COMMERCIAL BANKS START TO RAISE FUNDS TO MEET THE MONTHLY DEADLINE FOR RESERVE REQUIREMENTS, WILL MEAN REINJECTION OF FUNDS TO THE MARKET TO CONTROL AN EXCESSIVE RISE OF INTEREST RATES DUE TO CONCERN OVER THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST, THEY SAID.

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#90219k0080 08/07/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 7) KYODO - NIKON CORP. WILL ESTABLISH A SUBSIDIARY IN THAILAND TO PRODUCE PHOTOGRAPHIC LENSES FOR SINGLE-LENS REFLEX CAMERAS FROM 1991, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

THE NEW COMPANY, NIKON (THAILAND) CO., WITH A CAPITAL OF 160 MILLION BAHTS OR ABOUT 1 BILLION YEN, WILL PRODUCE 300,000 LENSES ANNUALLY, WHICH ACCOUNT FOR 25 PERCENT OF NIKON'S DOMESTIC PRODUCTION OF THESE LENSES, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

NIKON WILL INVEST SOME 5 BILLION YEN IN ITS FIRST OVERSEAS PRODUCTION BASE WHERE IT ALSO PLANS TO PRODUCE COMPACT CAMERAS IN THE FUTURE WITH THE AIM OF REDUCING THE COMPANY'S OPERATIONAL COSTS.

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#90219k0081 08/07/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (AUG. 7) KYODO - THE HEAD OF INUI STEAMSHIP CO. SAID TUESDAY THE COMPANY HAS BEEN ORDERED TO PAY ABOUT 32.6 MILLION DOLLARS TO ITS PHILIPPINE CREW AS A RESULT OF A LAWSUIT IN THE UNITED STATES INVOLVING A DISPUTE OVER WAGES.

HIDEFUMI INUI, PRESIDENT OF THE MEDIUM-SIZED KOBE-BASED SHIPPING FIRM, TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE THAT THE COMPANY HAS IMMEDIATELY APPEALED TO A U.S. HIGHER COURT AGAINST THE RULING BY THE FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT IN WASHINGTON STATE.

''THE JUDGMENT TOTALLY IGNORES OUR PLEA. WE WILL CONTINUE TO FIGHT,'' INUI SAID.

THE SUIT WAS FILED IN LATE JANUARY BY 20 PHILIPPINE CREWMEMBERS OF THE LUMBER CARRIER PINE FOREST AGAINST DELICA SHIPPING, INUI'S WHOLLY OWNED PANAMANIAN SUBSIDIARY, FOR UNDERPAYMENT OF WAGES.

THE FILIPINOS CLAIMED THE WAGES PAID TO THEM WERE LOWER THAN THE MINIMUM WAGES DECIDED BY THE LONDON-BASED INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT FEDERATION (ITF). THE CREW WAS SEEKING COMPENSATION TOTALING ABOUT 43 MILLION DOLLARS.

INUI ALSO SAID THE SUIT HAS PLACED THE COMPANY IN A DIFFICULT FINANCIAL SITUATION AND THAT IT MAY BE DIFFICULT FOR IT TO REACH THE INCOME TARGET OF 100 MILLION YEN IN FISCAL 1990 ENDING MARCH 31, 1991.

THE COMPANY HAS ALREADY SPENT 100 MILLION YEN IN THE SUIT AND THE AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION IS EQUAL TO THE COMPANY'S ANNUAL SALES, HE ADDED.

INUI STEAMSHIP IS ALSO IN A SIMILAR SUIT AT AN OREGON FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT FILED BY 13 PHILIPPINE SEAMEN OF THE LUMBER CARRIER FIR BLOVE. THE SUIT IS EXPECTED TO CONCLUDE NEXT JANUARY.

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#90219k0083 08/07/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NAGOYA (AUG. 7) KYODO - THE NAGOYA-BASED DAIDO STEEL CO. SAID TUESDAY IT HAS AGREED WITH GAUTSCHI, A SWISS ALUMINUM FURNACE MAKER, TO BE PROVIDED WITH GAUTSCHI'S KNOW-HOW ON ALUMINUM FURNACE PRODUCTION.

DAIDO PLANS TO INCREASE PRODUCTION OF ALUMINUM FURNACES TO SELL TO ALUMINUM PLATE MAKERS IN JAPAN AMID INCREASING DEMAND FOR ALUMINUM PLATE FOR SUCH PRODUCTS AS AUTO BODIES AND CANS FOR FOODS, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

DAIDO HAS AGREED TO PAY GAUTSCHI 3.5 PERCENT OF ITS PROSPECTED ANNUAL SALES OF 3 BILLION TO 4 BILLION YEN IN RETURN FOR THE KNOW-HOW, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90219k0086 08/07/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 7) KYODO - PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO SIGNED INTO LAW TUESDAY A 10 BILLION PESO (50 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) REHABILITATION ACT THAT WILL PROVIDE INITIAL FUNDING FOR AN EXTENSIVE RELIEF AND REBUILDING SCHEME FOR NORTHERN PHILIPPINE REGIONS DEVASTATED BY THE JULY 16 EARTHQUAKE.

DESCRIBING THE ACT AS ''THE FASTEST BILL EVER ENACTED,'' AQUINO TOLD LEGISLATORS PRESENT DURING THE SIGNING: ''THIS ACCOMPLISHMENT IS A MARK OF LEADERSHIP AND COMPASSION TO THE FILIPINO PEOPLE WHOM WE ALL VOWED TO SERVE.''

AQUINO SIGNED THE BILL 16 DAYS AFTER SHE APPEALED BEFORE CONGRESS, IN HER STATE-OF-THE NATION ADDRESS LAST JULY 23, TO HELP HER IN THE MASSIVE RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM FOR QUAKE-DAMAGED AREAS, INCLUDING SIX NATIONAL BRIDGES AND FIVE NATIONAL ROADS.

''FROM THE RUINS, WE SHALL BUILD STRUCTURES THAT ARE MORE MODERN AND STRONGER,'' SHE SAID.

AT LEAST 1,648 PERSONS WERE KILLED, 3,513 OTHERS WERE INJURED, AND 1.5 MILLION FILIPINOS LOST THEIR JOBS OR HOMES BECAUSE OF THE QUAKE MEASURING 7.7 ON THE OPEN-ENDED RICHTER SCALE.

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#90219k0091 08/07/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 7) KYODO - MITSUBISHI MOTORS CORP. SAID TUESDAY IT WILL INSTALL SAFETY DEVICES SUCH AS AIR BAGS, REAR SEAT BELTS, AND FIRE RESISTANT MATERIALS IN ALL OF ITS PASSENGER CARS BY 1992.

MEANWHILE, OTHER AUTOMAKERS ALSO ARE TAKING STEPS TO IMPROVE THE SAFETY OF THEIR AUTOMOBILES.

MAZDA MOTOR CORP. ANNOUNCED EARLIER IN THE YEAR THAT SIDE DOOR BEAMS TO HELP ABSORB LATERAL SHOCKS WILL BE INCLUDED IN ITS CARS WITHIN THE NEXT THREE YEARS.

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#90219k0092 08/07/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
MANILA (AUG. 7) KYODO - THE PHILIPPINES BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DEFICIT, INCLUDING EXTERNAL DEBT RESCHEDULING, FOR THE JANUARY-MAY PERIOD THIS YEAR NARROWED DOWN TO 58 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FROM THE 200 MILLION DOLLARS POSTED DURING THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, THE CENTRAL BANK REPORTED TUESDAY.

THE CENTRAL BANK SAID THAT WITHOUT THE FOREIGN DEBT RESCHEDULING, THE DEFICIT FOR THE FIVE-MONTH PERIOD COULD HAVE SWELLED TO 614 MILLION DOLLARS.

THE CENTRAL BANK ATTRIBUTED THE IMPROVEMENT IN THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS POSITION TO STRONGER PERFORMANCE OF THE NONMONETARY CAPITAL AGAINST THE WEAKER CURRENT ACCOUNT POSITION.

THE CURRENT ACCOUNT DEFICIT WORSENED TO 1,045 MILLION DOLLARS DURING THE PERIOD FROM 585 MILLION DOLLARS IN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR DUE TO A WIDER TRADE GAP.

IMPORTS CLIMBED TO 4,854 MILLION DOLLARS WHILE EXPORTS GREW TO 3,264 MILLION DOLLARS, THE BANK SAID. THE 20.1 PERCENT SURGE IN IMPORTS, HOWEVER, REFLECTED A SLOWDOWN IN DOMESTIC DEMAND IF COMPARED WITH THE 30.6 PERCENT INCREASE DURING THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, IT SAID.

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#90219k0095 08/07/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
FUKUOKA (AUG. 7) KYODO - A U.S. ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY HAS BECOME A MEMBER OF THE KYUSHU-YAMAGUCHI ECONOMIC FEDERATION BASED IN FUKUOKA, THE FEDERATION SAID TUESDAY.

THE NEW MEMBER, MONTANA POWER CO., HAS NOT YET SET UP A BUSINESS BASE IN KYUSHU, BUT WAS ALLOWED TO JOIN THE FEDERATION FROM THE VIEWPOINT OF PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION, THE FEDERATION SAID.

THE POWER COMPANY, WHICH PROVIDES ELECTRIC POWER AND GAS TO 82 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION IN MONTANA, IS EXPECTED TO BUILD BUSINESS TIES WITH LOCAL JAPANESE COMPANIES, IT ADDED.

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#90219m0001 08/07/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys
FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 7) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei closed dramatically down 946.46 ... After opening lower, U.S. stocks trading in London move higher. Around mid-afternoon, the FT 100 was up 34.0, and the DAX index had jumped 29.66. ... The LABOR DEPARTMENT says productivity improved in the second-quarter for the first time in 18 months, climbing at a 1.6% annual rate. ... GENERAL DYNAMICS announces a consolidation of two California defense divisions that will result in 1,500 to 2,000 layoffs. ... EASTERN AIRLINES and eight top managers plead innocent to charges of falsifying safety and maintenance records. ... RUBBERMAID has agreed to purchase ELDON INDUSTRIES.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The FEDERAL RESERVE will release June Consumer Credit Data later on today. ... The HOUSE ENERGY AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE will hold hearings at 10 a.m. EDT on how a boycott of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil would affect oil prices.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I think this inflation scare will be temporary and the crack in the stock market will be temporary," says MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER & CO. "I expect a better stock market from here, although it may take time to move out of the lower end of this trading range, which I would put at 2700 to 3000." Metz predicts that Monday will be the first strong day for the market, and says there is "more than a 50% chance" that the market has bottomed out. "It's my feeling the market will not have to go through the huge liquidation process because most investors ... are undercommitted to stocks," says Metz. "The real problem will be what will motivate the potential buyers to come back in the market." ("Investor's Daily", 8/7)

FROM THE BEARS:

CARMINE GRIGOLI, chief portfolio strategist at FIRST BOSTON, has a decidedly negative near-term view of the overall market. He predicts that the Dow will fall to 2500 because of rising oil prices and a weakening U.S. economy. In a full-blown recession, Mr. Grigoli expects the market would trade even lower. Given the stock market's current volatility, Grigoli believes a 50 or 100-point rally in the industrial average is a real possibility, especially if the U.S. launches a successful military strike at Iraq. In that case, Grigoli 1 says, "I would use it as an opportunity to sell." (WSJ, 8/7)

Newsletter writer JOE GRANVILLE is predicting a stock market crash within a few days. He thinks the Dow industrials will fall below 2200 by month's end and, before recovering in the spring of 1992, will drop below the October 1987 low of 1738. (WSJ, 8/7)

"The psychology of the [OTC] market has been badly bruised if not fractured," says BRADLEY TURNER of McDONALD & CO. SECURITIES. "Not even the bluest of the blue chips seem to offer enough value to avoid the decline. At this point, there's not a lot of buyers." ("Investor's Daily" 8/7)

STOCK MARKET:

A survey of investor hotlines this morning finds ANDREW ADDISON bullish on bonds, bearish on gold and neutral on stocks. "It looks like we might have had a selling climax," says Addison. "No new buying should be done for now." says CARLTON LUTZ of the "Cabot Market Letter," and he advises investors to sit tight with their present holdings. "Longer term we don't think the blood letting has ended," says JAMES STACK of "Investech" who thinks this smells like a bear market. GLENN CUTLER of "Market Mania" is more bullish: "Sentiment pieces are in place for a good market low ... [the market is] setting up for an important buying opportunity at some point this week." DON WOLANCHUK thinks it's too early to tell if the market has found its lows, but adds "Everybody is scared out of their wits now

"The markets are all reacting to the same bogeymen: higher oil prices, higher interest rates, higher inflation and lower growth," says international economist BILL STERLING of MERRILL LYNCH. ("USA Today", 8/7)

"We have been looking for a 10-15% correction," says PETER WASSERMAN of ALTMAN, BRENNER & WASSERMAN. "What we see here is basically no panic." He is somewhat encouraged that the market has not fallen further, given the negative factors it is facing, but is still very cautious. "I would doubt that there would be any meaningful rise in the market until a resolution in the Mid-East happens," says Wasserman. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/6)

"I think people are totally overreacting here in terms of selling stocks at any price," says TOM GALLAGHER of OPPENHEIMER & CO. "If the public is thinking of doing any selling, I'd say to wait until later in the week. Things should settle down in a couple of days, and we'll have a better idea of what's going to happen [in the Middle East]." (UPI, 8/6)

"The market is awfully oversold. It really is compressed," says CHARLES CLOUGH of MERRILL LYNCH. But he feels this compression is not sustainable and while he claims to be a poor market timer, he says sometime in the near future the market is due "for a narrow reflex rally." (CNBC "Business View", 8/6)

"It looks like there's a lot of selling pressure still," says ED LAUX of KIDDER, PEABODY. "There's been a big change in psychology in the market. That won't go away tomorrow." ("Investor's Daily", 8/7)

"It is not like the panics of the two Octobers," says JEFFREY TABAK, a partner with MILLER TABAK HIRSCH & COMPANY, a New York investment banking firm. "This time, the circuit breakers worked much more effectively." (NYT, 8/7)

Circuit breakers have contributed to an orderly decline, says MARIA RAMIREZ of RAMIREZ CAPITAL CONSULTANTS. "You don't feel the pain and 2 the panic," says Ramirez who believes that the circuit breaker mechanisms don't remove selling pressure but act to spread it over several trading sessions. (CNN "Business Morning", 8/7)

"It absolutely didn't feel like Oct. 19 or 20, 1987. At no time was there panic selling," says DONALD STONE, vice chairman of the NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE and a senior partner at LASKER, STONE AND STERN. "But it felt like the market was under real pressure." (WSJ, 8/7)

"You haven't had a panic yet," says JEAN-MARIE EVEILLARD, president of SOGEN INTERNATIONAL FUND. "There is still the hope that somehow or other, things will settle down." ("USA Today", 8/7)

"I think investors are extremely worried that the Iraqis are not going to stop where they are now," says JEFF LANDLE of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. "The uncertainty surrounding that has moved investors to move away from the market." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 8/6)

"If it looks like it will be a long ordeal [in the Middle East], the market could be in trouble for quite a while," says JOHN BURNETT of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE. "But if it looks like we can make short work of it through diplomacy or military action, we could get a bounce in stocks and oil prices will come down. But we'll have to wait and see." (UPI, 8/6)

"I think there will be a lot of uncertainty and volatility, but I don't expect it to have ... a strong downward bias," says ROBERT HEISTERBERG of ALLIANCE CAPITAL. He thinks the U.N.'s sanctions against Iraq will be "stringent" enough to bring some stability back to the market. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/6)

ANDREW ROJEK, international market strategist for MERRILL LYNCH, explains that world markets are being drawn together by the events in the Middle East. "I would still think that Tokyo is watching us rather than us watching Tokyo. This morning's selling in Europe was a reaction of our losses on Friday, but of course it was affected by news over the weekend." (CNBC "Business View", 8/6)

"Everything went wrong today," says BYRON WIEN, chief U.S. investment strategist for MORGAN STANLEY. "The prospect of some stabilization of the situation in the Middle East diminished. There's a feeling that [President] Bush will respond militarily. If [Saddam Hussein] were stopped in some way, using military force, it would be viewed as bullish for the market and a positive for Bush. If they don't stop him, he will hang as a cloud over the market. You can't have oil, the most vital material in American life, in the hands of an unpredictable leader." ("The Washington Post", 8/7)

"As long as there is a possibility of a wider war and a greater oil cutoff the prospects are bad everywhere," says ROBERT HORMATS of GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL. ("USA Today", 8/7)

STOCK TIPS:

"Famous last words, but this is a very low risk entry point into the stock market right here," says MICHAEL METZ, chief market analyst at OPPENHEIMER. "I think we're in a [shallow] recession but ... the most economically sensitive sectors of the market have already assumed we're in a recession." Metz says cyclical stocks start to decline before a recession and then go up once a recession happens. He would buy INTERNATIONAL PAPER, REYNOLDS, DUPONT, JOHNSON & JOHNSON and BRISTOL MEYERS. "And, frankly, down here I think IBM is a buy." Metz also says, "People will still need medicine and buy food" and thus he recommends ALBERTSON'S, COCA-COLA, SCHERING-PLOUGH and 3 SYNTEX. ARCO is Metz's pick among the oils and he adss the TOSCO, an oil refiner, has probably been beaten down too far and might be attractive. Metz also likes the ten and three year bonds coming up at auction, but would avoid the thirty year issue. (CNN "Business Day" and WSJ, 8/7)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 7) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"I don't think the dollar has any safe-haven attractiveness right now," says CLAUDE TYGIER, a foreign exchange specialist, partly because of the unattractiveness of the United States economy. NEAL SOSS, chief economist at the FIRST BOSTON CORPORATION, adds, "If you call this a flight to quality, you have to call it a flight to the Deutschemark." (NYT, 8/7)

The fall of the dollar "is all emotional trading," according to LILIANA NEALON of the UNION BANK OF SWITZERLAND in New York. She says traders are

afraid of lower interest rates because of the weak economy, but wary of missing an upward move caused by further military action in the Middle East. ("Investor's Daily", 8/7)

"The Fed's failure to cut interest rates contributed to a severe loss of confidence that spread through all markets," says DAVID JONES, chief economist at AUBREY G. LANSTON. "To be fair, however, the Fed has to contend with soaring interest rates in Japan and West Germany, and the prospect that a decline in domestic interest rates could further undermine the value of the dollar. Then there is this week's record Treasury refunding auctions." (NYT, 8/7)

"It was the worst day in the bond market since the 1987 debacle," says BRIAN FABBRI, chief economist at MIDLAND MONTAGU. "The impact of rising oil prices hit the long-term bond market harder than it did the overall stock market, mainly because bond investors fear inflation much more than they do the prospect of a recession." He continues, "Aside from the flight to quality that poured funds into the short end of the Treasury market, the persistent belief that the Federal Reserve will have to lower interest rates keeps the shorter Treasury maturities from going much lower." (NYT, 8/7)

"For the moment, the bond markets are being held hostage by oil prices," says JEFF TYLER, Treasury fund manager at BENHAM CAPITAL mutual fund group. "About the only thing you count now on is more of the same volatility." ("USA Today", 8/7)

"There is no doubt that the failure of the Fed to reduce interest rates hit the [bond] market almost as hard as the inflationary rise in oil prices and the prospect of our country being directly involved in a conflict with Iraq," says IRWIN KELLNER, chief economist at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER TRUST COMPANY. He says the fixed-income market actually expected the Fed to cut interest rates last Friday after the 1 sharp rise in unemployment. "Today's disappointment with the Fed was even more profound." (NYT, 8/7)

The yield on the long Japanese bond has moved above eight percent. This will take the edge off Japanese interest in the U.S. Treasury auction, says SIMON SMITHSON of KLEINWORT BENSON in Tokyo. "I don't think the bigger Japanese institutions will entirely desert the Treasury auction. But when there's an eight percent risk free yield at home with no currency risk at all, that's obviously going to be very attractive to a group of investors who are very nervous." (CNN "Business Morning", 8/7)

THE ECONOMY:

"I think we're certainly on the brink of [a recession] if not in one," says CHARLES CLOUGH of MERRILL LYNCH. "Middle East hostility and the

inflation fears that it has brought on has only exacerbated the recessionary pressures that were already there." (CNBC "Business View", 8/6)

"The inflation numbers for the rest of the year look horrible, especially with the shock of the Middle East oil crisis," says MICHAEL EVANS, who heads a Washington economic forecasting firm. (NYT, 8/7)

The 1.6% rise in productivity reported yesterday is "one tiny bright spot in the midst of a lot of negatives," says DAVID JONES, an economist with AUBREY G. LANSTON. (NYT, 8/7)

GORDON RICHARDS, staff economist for the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS says he was "a little bit surprised how strong [the productivity figures] were, considering how slowly GNP grew." He continues, "I think if the productivity figures are correct, they suggest that GNP may be revised upwards." (WSJ, 8/7)

Commenting on the productivity report, PRISCILLA TRUMBULL, senior industrial economist at WEFA GROUP, says "It's a fairly bad report for the non-manufacturing side of things. It shows a weakness in a number of sectors, and yet labor costs are increasing." (WSJ, 8/7)

"We're looking at ... a situation that's going to give us higher inflation " says DAVID GERMANY of MORGAN STANLEY. He says the jump in oil prices will add a point to the rate of inflation and will "hit" growth. "I think stagflation is the order of the day," says Germany. (FNN "World Business Update", 8/7)

"Without Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil, prices could hit $32 [a barrel] in a month $37 in two months, at least," says WILLIAM BROWN, international oil analyst for KIDDER, PEABODY. ("USA Today", 8/7)

"It's certainly positive for the U.S. oil industry in the sense that in the short run we're going to see higher prices, possibly as high as $30 or $35 a barrel," says CYRUS TAHMASSEBI, chief economist at ASHLAND OIL. But when all is said and done, Tahmassebi thinks oil prices will actually be much lower. He says this mini-crisis "will set in motion new conservation measures and it will raise awareness of the vulnerability of the country's oil supply and its dependency on imported oil." He thinks those realizations will lead to lower consumption, and therefore lower prices. ("Investor's Daily", 8/7)

"The most dramatic impact, in toto, is the likelihood that these [oil] price increases would tip the U.S. economy into recession," says DENNIS EKLOF of CAMBRIDGE ENERGY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. "If we begin to see an economic recession, then interest rates go up and it becomes more expensive to do business." ("Investor's Daily", 8/7)

2 "The big problem with oil is that it always moves further and faster than ... anybody gives it credit for being able to," says PETER BEUTEL, vice-president and oil trader at MERRILL LYNCH. "We know this will end, we just don't know when or where." A boycott of Iraqi oil will leave the U.S. with a 4 billion barrel per day shortfall, and Beutel says other OPEC producers are unlikely to be able or inclined to make up the difference. (CNBC "World Business", 8/7)

IN WASHINGTON:

Lawmakers in Washington are pushing PRESIDENT BUSH and the FTC to investigate cases of gasoline price fixing and gouging since the Middle East crisis. "It's pretty clear the big oil companies have gone on a feeding frenzy," says SENATOR RICHARD BRYAN (D. - NEV.). SENATOR DON RIEGLE (D. - MICH.) adds, "The public deserves answers and a price rollback." ("Nightly Business Report", 8/6)

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - British Airways today announced a 111 million pounds sterling ($194 million) net profit for the fiscal first quarter ended June 30, 1990. The figure reflected a 79 percent increase over 62 million pounds reported for the same period last year.

Group revenue for the period, April 1 through June 30, reached a record level, rising 13.6 percent to 1.3 billion pounds ($2.3 billion) from 1.2 billion pounds.

Earnings per American Depository Share (ADS) were 1.54 pounds ($2.70) compared to .86 pounds for the same period last year, an increase of 79 percent.

Group operating surplus was 123 million pounds ($215 million), down 1.0 million pounds against last year's first quarter.

Chairman Lord King, commenting in London on the results said: "The profit benefited from the gain on the sale of one Boeing 747 and the sale and leaseback of 10 Boeing 737s. However the recent unofficial engineers strike at London Heathrow Airport cost the airline 4 million pounds."

Passenger load factors rose from 70.4 percent to 72.2 percent. Scheduled passenger numbers increased 11.9 percent from 5.9 million to 6.6 million, revenue passenger miles increased by 13.2 percent and cargo ton miles rose marginally over last year. Scheduled passenger yields showed a modest improvement, 2.2 percent.

Shareholder equity, excluding the proceeds of the Convertible Capital Bonds, rose by almost 27 percent. The net debt to total capital ratio was 22.1 percent.

Lord King continued, "A number of productivity initiatives were launched at the end of last year and these are developing many ideas which should reduce costs and improve efficiency, the effect of which will not be felt until later in the fiscal year.

"Current events in the Middle East, and particularly their effect on fuel prices are a matter of concern. Nevertheless traffic remains buoyant. The increased value of the pound sterling is putting some pressure on yields but the revenue prospects remain good."

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SAN DIEGO, CA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Wahlco Environmental Systems Inc. (NYSE: WAL) today reported results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Revenue for the quarter was $15,735,000 compared to $7,816,000 for the second quarter of 1989. Net income was $2,606,000 or 16 cents per share versus $2,195,000 or 15 cents per share for the comparable quarter. Average common shares outstanding were 16,431,000 versus 14,260,000.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenue was $26,308,000 as compared with $13,986,000 for the initial six months of 1989. Net income was $4,581,000 or 30 cents per share versus $3,561,000 or 25 cents per share.

Second quarter and six month net income benefitted from a reduction in Puerto Rican tollgate taxes of approximately $240,000.

Huta continued, "Although we still anticipate a strong demand for flue gas conditioning equipment, we are experiencing delays in order placement and a decline in backlog because Congress has not, as yet, passed the clean air legislation. We expect a significant increase in flue gas conditioning backlog once the final legislation passes."

Wahlco Environmental Systems Inc. is a manufacturer of equipment used primarily by electric utilities to assist in the reduction and control of air pollution. In addition, the company designs, manufactures and installs products that enhance the efficiency of industrial and utility boilers, and also manufactures water pollution and control devices.

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#90219p2808 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL SEGUNDO, CA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Infonet today announced it has entered into an agreement with Siemens Communication Systems Inc., Boca Raton, Fla., to deploy and market Siemens' EWSP line of packet-switching systems.

Infonet will install Siemens equipment worldwide for use in its Public Data Network (PDN) and Virtual Private Data Network (VPDN). Recently announced, Infonet's VPDN offers managed, fixed cost solutions for multinational companies with heavy data traffic.

Siemens has also given Infonet the rights to resell its packet- switching equipment to multinational corporations as part of Infonet's Enterprise-Defined Network Services (EDNS) offering. Infonet's EDNS includes network consulting and design, acquisition and implementation, and facilities management for integrated voice and data private and hybrid networks.

"Our customers are once again the real winners," said Jose Collazo, Infonet's chairman. "With this alliance Infonet can now transition users beyond PDN services to our VPDN and EDNS network solutions without disruptions," he added.

According to Collazo, "Global networking capabilities face a formidable challenge in light of the diverse facilities and regulations around the world. We are pleased to be partners with a company like Siemens who brings a solid understanding of both international data communications and global business requirements."

Siemens Communication Systems Inc. is a division of German-based Siemens AG. Siemens provides complete end-to-end digital based public networks including central office switching systems, transmission systems, data networks, and fiber optic technology.

"This partnership expresses the confidence that large users worldwide place in the EWSP line and its future development," said Volker Jung, president and chief executive officer of Siemens Communications Systems. "At 40,000 packets per second, the recently released EWSP has the throughput, expandability, and multi-purpose networking function these users require," he explained.

Established in 1970, Infonet is the leading standards-based international value-added network services company. It provides communication and computer services and directly supports those services throughout the world. The company is jointly owned by MCI and 10 major telecommunications administrations in Europe and the Asia-Pacific.

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LA JOLLA, CALIF. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Marrow-Tech Inc. (NASDAQ: MAROA) announced today that it has filed for an investigational Device Exemption (IDE) with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the company's dermal replacement product. Approval of the IDE will allow Marrow-Tech to begin clinical trials in burn patients.

Marrow-Tech has developed a transplantable dermal replacement product intended for use in the treatment of burns and wounds. More than 70,000 patients with second- and third-degree burns are admitted to burn centers in the United States annually. The IDE filing is based on the recent completion of pre-clinical trials of the product in collaboration with researchers at a major U.S. burn center. The company plans to begin clinical trials in burn patients at selected burn centers in the United States after FDA approval is obtained.

Marrow-Tech is engaged in the growth of human tissue outside the body. The company recently announced that it had received a Notice of Allowance from the U.S. Patent Office on its core technology patent application. The technology has a number of potential therapeutic and laboratory applications. To date, the company has successfully grown bone marrow, skin and liver tissue.

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#90219p2813 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

VERO BEACH, FL (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Dixon Ticonderoga Company (AMEX: DXT) will commence the second phase of its Restructuring Program, designed to improve profitability and reposition the company to best serve its markets, President Gino N. Pala announced today.

First, the company will relocate its Corporate Headquarters to Orlando, Fla., where it will consolidate offices with Marketing and Sales operations. "Our move from Vero Beach will allow us to be under one roof

thus stimulating effectiveness as a management team. Additionally, administrative cost savings will contribute to improved profitability," Pala said. In addition, the company's entire Customer Service Group will join Marketing and Sales in Orlando. "We believe our plan will result in improved customer ordering and delivery systems and make it possible to more quickly react to market changes," Pala added.

Also, the company will close an additional plant located in Shelbyville, Tenn., which presently manufactures advertising specialty products. These operations will be transferred to existing plants in the United States. The company previously announced the closing of its plant in Newmarket, Ontario.

Pala concluded, "These plans represent the continuation of an overall Restructuring Program that is but a part of our strategic business plan to reposition the company to best access and service our markets. Equally important, on a long-term basis, it ensures our future as one of the leading producers in the industries we serve."

Dixon Ticonderoga Company is a diversified manufacturer and marketer of the well-known Dixon Ticonderoga, Wearever and Prang writing and art products, a producer of graphite and lubricant products and an operator of refractories.

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#90219p2815 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Silicon Graphics Inc. (NYSE: SGI) today announced NetVisualyzer(TM) Data Station software, designed to monitor network activity from remote sites. Communications between NetVisualyzer Data Stations(TM) and centrally located NetVisualyzer Display Stations(TM) are over the Internet Protocol (IP) through either local area network media or any wide area network links such as serial- line modems, X.25, T-1 or microwave and fiber optics.

NetVisualyzer is the industry's first set of visual network monitoring and diagnostic tools for distributed heterogeneous environments. Its simple-to-use interface enables network managers to monitor in pictures a distributed network's real-time configuration and traffic from a central vantage point on any Silicon Graphics IRIS(R) 4D workstation. Centralized visual monitoring speeds up network diagnostics, reduces network downtime, tightens network security and serves as a network control and planning tool.

"NetVisualyzer is an ideal tool for network managers providing centralized management of network activity and interoperability in multi-vendor, multi-protocol environments," said James M. Barton, vice president and general manager, Silicon Graphics' System Software Division. "By combining our networking expertise with the basic features of visual processing -- color, 3-D and motion -- Silicon Graphics creates images never before seen by the MIS community." Benefits of Central Network Monitoring

The ability to centrally monitor a geographically dispersed network with NetVisualyzer provides many advantages to MIS managers. Changes in network configuration, real-time traffic patterns, and security breaches can all be monitored and detected in their early stages. Direct benefits to organizations using NetVisualyzer are greater network control, more effective network planning, minimizing and identifying security breaches, and quick diagnosis of network problems. This powerful tool now allows network managers to address remote site failures immediately.
NetVisualyzer Toolkit

Silicon Graphics Inc. is the leading manufacturer of high performance workstations and computing systems for visual processing applications. The workstations are used by engineers, scientists and creative professionals in the design, analysis, manufacture and simulations of three dimensional products. The company's common stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SGI.

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#90219p2816 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Silicon Graphics Inc. (NYSE: SGI) today announced VideoFramer(TM), the first single frame video input and output solution for Silicon Graphics' entire family of IRIS 4D(TM) workstations. VideoFramer lets video and graphics professionals isolate or "grab" a single image from a live video source, process it using Silicon Graphics' advanced imaging and compositing features, and output the final image to video with individual frame accuracy.

"Silicon Graphics' workstations and video products have become the de facto standard in professional video and computer graphics production houses because of their superior visual processing capabilities," said Thomas Jermoluk, vice president, Advanced Systems Division. "In addition we've seen increased interest in our video products from users in a number of diverse markets such as animation, general science, and medical imaging."

VideoFramer features include broadcast quality encoding and decoding,

software controlled video setup and remote video device control. All of the product's features can be performed while video signals are transmitted, freeing the workstation for other tasks. The result is increased user productivity.

VideoFramer supports multiple formats and standards including built-in D1, D2, RGB, Betacam, NTSC, PAL, and S-Video formats. The product includes the V-LAN(TM) transmitter from Videomedia(TM) which enables frame accurate control and can direct over 30 remote video decks, singularly or independently.

VideoFramer sells for $7500 on the entire line of Silicon Graphics workstations; customer shipments will begin Sept. 1, 1990.

VideoFramer is the latest in the Silicon Graphics' video product family. The first two products are Live Video Digitizer(TM), which allows users to integrate live video images with computer-generated graphics, and VideoCreator(TM) which provides a complete video output solution. Together these products provide users with advanced video capabilities.

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#90219p2817 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Led by the continuing strength of its ammonium perchlorate operations, American Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: APFC; Pacific: APFP) today reported sharply higher revenues, net income and net income per share for the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990.

For the quarter, net income was $1,897,000, equal to 35 cents per share on 5,200,000 average shares outstanding. Third quarter revenues advanced to $13,564,000. Results for the prior year are not directly comparable since the company was operating in a startup mode for the first 10 months of fiscal 1989. In last year's third quarter, net income was $345,000, or 5 cents per share, on revenues of $396,000. For the nine months of fiscal 1990, net income climbed to $5,544,000, or $1.05 per share, on revenues of $44,192,000. Startup operations in fiscal 1989 generated net income of $13,000 on revenues of $2,974,000. After accrued dividends on cumulative preferred stock, the company reported a loss of 2 cents per share for the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

Fred D. Gibson Jr., chairman, president and chief executive officer, commented: "In the third quarter we continued to see excellent results from our ammonium perchlorate facility, operated by our Western Electrochemical Company (WECCO) subsidiary in Iron County, Utah. The plant opened last July and has since proven itself to be an efficient, high quality producer. Through the first nine months of fiscal 1990, this facility was operating at an annual rate of approximately 20.5 million pounds of ammonium perchlorate.

"The strength of our ammonium perchlorate business provides a solid foundation for the company's growth. We are also seeing positive signs for the company in all three of its business segments.

"In our real estate operation, we recently reached an agreement to sell 4.22 acres of development property in Gibson Business Park, located in the high growth southeast Las Vegas Valley, to an industrial user for $367,000 or $87,000 per acre. We anticipate closing the sale prior to the end of this fiscal year.

American Pacific's principal business activities consist of the production of ammonium perchlorate, the oxidizer utilized in composite solid rocket propellants employed by a large number of space and military systems. Through direct and indirect subsidiaries, the company is engaged in the manufacture of chlorate and perchlorate chemicals, the design and manufacture of electrolytic systems and electrodes, the design and manufacture of pollution control systems, and industrial real estate development.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Titan Corp. (NYSE: TTN) today reported strong gains for the second fiscal quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990. Revenues in the quarter increased 18 percent to $27,497,000 from $23,373,000 reported in the prior year.

Net income for the second quarter before dividends on preferred stock doubled to $559,000 in 1990, from $281,000 in 1989, with earnings per share (after preferred dividend requirements) increasing to $.04, from $.01 a year ago.

For the six months, revenues rose 16 percent to $53,127,000, from $45,838,000 in the comparable year-earlier period, with net income (before preferred stock dividends) increasing 82 percent to $1,110,000 from

$611,000. Earnings per share (after dividend requirements) were $.08 vs. $.02 in the prior year six-month period.

Gene W. Ray, Titan president and chief executive officer, attributed the improved results to 1989 contract awards which have now entered the revenue stream. "We are extremely pleased with the results of our first six months," he said.

The company's acquisition on July 12 of M/A-COM Government Systems Inc., now Titan Linkabit Corp., a leading supplier of earth-based satellite communications equipment to the United States government, has added approximately $40 million per year to Titan revenues and in excess of $50 million in backlog, Ray said. The total backlog of the combined operations is approximately $183 million, excluding priced contract options of $145 million, he noted.

"Titan Linkabit's leadership in satellite communications, in combination with Titan's broad capabilities spanning the command, control, communications and intelligence (C3I) market, establishes a solid market base upon which we expect to build significantly," he said. "The acquisition last month of what is now Titan Linkabit will contribute to the achievement of the long-term strategic objectives which we have established."

The Titan Corp. specializes in providing turnkey hardware and software systems solutions to the high technology needs of the United States, state and local government agencies; and to commercial and industrial clients, both foreign and domestic. Specific areas of expertise include systems development and integration, advanced technology development and electronics manufacturing.

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FORT LEE, NJ (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - A. L. Laboratories, Inc. (NYSE: BMD) today reported that for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 net income increased to $2,599,000 compared with $2,328,000 in the prior year. Fully diluted per share earnings increased to $0.23 versus $0.21 in the same quarter of 1989. Revenues for the second quarter were $64,846,000 compared with $66,948,000 in the 1989 period.

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990 increased by 18.7

percent, from $5,131,000 last year to $6,091,000 in the first half of 1990. Fully diluted per share earnings increased to $0.53 from $0.46 in the same 1989 period. Revenues for the six months 1990 were $134,154,000 compared with $137,001,000 in 1989.

Commenting on the results, I. Roy Cohen, president and chief executive officer said, "We are pleased by the continued profit improvement of our business. The second quarter, normally seasonally weaker, was nevertheless heartening in its results. The lower revenue is to a large extent a consequence of our de-emphasizing lower margin products. As a result of this and a concerted effort to lower manufacturing costs, gross profit percentage improved substantially. At the same time, our operating expenses are increasing due to greater effort on R&D (including our periodontitis project, albuterol and our Biomed fish bacterins), quality and regulatory compliance."

"Despite a more difficult economic, business and regulatory environment, our first half results are most encouraging.

In the second half we will remain alert to offset any industry weakness by emphasizing further gross profit improvement and efficiencies in our operating expenses. With the second half the stronger part of the year, we believe that we can maintain our planned, consistent growth record."

At June 30, 1990, shareholders' equity was $99.9 million, or $8.93 per share, strengthened by another profitable quarter.

A. L. Laboratories is a multinational manufacturer and marketer of specialized value-added branded pharmaceuticals and animal health micronutrients, with plant sites in Chicago Heights, Illinois; Niagara Falls, New York; Baltimore, Maryland; Bellevue, Washington; Copenhagen, Denmark; and Jakarta, Indonesia.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 7) - MarketPulse(tm), the leading supplier of data-driven marketing products and services, today announced it has signed a strategic marketing partnership agreement for reciprocal product and sales with Group 1 Software (NASDAQ: GSOF), the leading supplier of software to the marketing industry.

Under the terms of the agreement, the companies will leverage each other's sales forces and existing customer bases through joint sales of

complementary products.

MarketPulse provides a comprehensive marketing database software package supported by an extensive array of professional analysis, database planning, implementation and support, as well as direct marketing consulting services. The MarketPulse product set incorporates all available information about customers and prospects from either internal or external sources. It also provides fast online counts, profiling, and statistical analysis against the entire database, as well as automated mail planning.

MarketPulse not only puts direct control in marketers hands, it allows them to identify the highest potential prospects; generate lists, labels and tapes to execute new marketing programs; performs a complete range of response analyses, including statistical modeling; and also easily creates business graphics. MarketPulse currently runs on an IBM mainframe, with easy access provided to marketers and other non-technical professionals via their individual PCs.

"This agreement with an established organization like Group 1 validates our market strategy and the acceptance of the MarketPulse product by the direct marketing industry," said Francie Anhut, executive vice president of MarketPulse. "MarketPulse will now leverage Group 1's sales force to help reach our broad potential market. Conversely, MarketPulse's strong technological and consulting service capabilities offer Group 1 customers access to a more extensive collection of strategic resources."

Group 1 Software President Ron Friedman said, "Group 1's agreement with MarketPulse establishes an ideal marketing relationship. It marries two complementary product lines to offer complete marketing capabilities as a total solution to customers' needs."

Group 1 Software is the leading provider of mainframe, midrange and microcomputer software to the marketing and mail management industry. Group 1 offers a broad range of list management, postal discounts, mail personalization, demographic database software products and professional services. The company has offices throughout the U.S. and Canada, and is represented in the U.K., Australia and New Zealand.

MarketPulse is a division of Computer Corporation of America of Cambridge, Mass., and provides data-driven marketing solutions through a wide variety of services and software. Introduced in September 1989, MarketPulse has numerous customers, including Random House, LMC and College Marketing Group.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Houston Industries Incorporated ("HI") (NYSE: HOU) today reported consolidated earnings of $77.5 million or $.61 per share for the second quarter of 1990, compared to $56.7 million or $.45 per share for the second quarter of 1989.

The improvement in HI's second quarter earnings resulted primarily from increased earnings at Houston Lighting & Power Company (HL&P), the company's electric utility subsidiary, due to the recording of cost deferrals related to previous periods. HI's cable television subsidiary, KBLCOM Incorporated ("KBLCOM"), also reported improved results for the second quarter of 1990 compared to the same period last year.

Consolidated earnings for the first six months of this year fell to $68.7 million or $.54 per share from $141.9 million or $1.15 per share for the comparable period in 1989. For the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, HI reported consolidated net income of $340.2 million or $2.69 per share, compared to earnings of $369.4 million or $3.06 per share for the same period last year.

The decline in earnings for the six and 12 months ended June 30, 1990, resulted primarily from cost disallowances incurred by HL&P in connection with decisions related to its general rate case, and increased losses at KBLCOM related to cable systems acquired in March 1989. Last year's results also included gains from the sale of HI's oil and gas properties.

HL&P reported income after preferred dividends of $90.2 million for the second quarter of 1990 compared to $72.4 million for the second quarter in 1989.

HL&P's earnings for the first six months of 1990 fell to $96.6 million from $148.8 million for the same period in 1989. For the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, HL&P's earnings were $385.1 million, compared to $362.4 million a year earlier.

HL&P's earnings reflect a number of significant regulatory decisions made by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) earlier this year. In June 1990, the PUC issued final orders in connection with HL&P's general rate case and the inquiry into the prudence of the planning, management and construction of the South Texas Project (STP). As a result of these orders, HL&P incurred after-tax charges of approximately $29 million related to disallowed expenses and its investment in STP.

The PUC also authorized HL&P to use deferred accounting for STP Unit 2 retroactive to its commercial operation date of June 1989. HL&P's second quarter results include $56.4 million of cost deferrals related to prior periods. HL&P's earnings for the first six months of 1989 also reflected

$33.6 million of 1988 cost deferrals associated with STP Unit 1.

In addition to the effects of these regulatory decisions, HL&P's earnings for the 12 months ended June 30, 1990 were bolstered by the recording in December 1989 of $70.3 million related to the settlement of a 1982 rate order.

Houston Industries is headquartered in Houston. Other subsidiaries include Innovative Controls, Inc., a manufacturer of consumer lighting products; Houston Industries Finance, Inc., a receivables factoring company; and Development Ventures, Inc., a venture capital company.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Berlitz International, Inc. (NYSE: BTZ), yesterday declared a preferred stock dividend of $2,964,000 on its preferred stock payable Aug. 10, 1990, to the holders of record at the close of business on July 2, 1990.

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TORRANCE, CA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) will introduce dBASE IV Run Time PLUS tomorrow, on the opening day of MacWorld Exposition in Boston. dBASE IV RunTime PLUS runs most dBASE IV and dBASE III PLUS DOS applications on the Apple Macintosh without modification.

dBASE IV RunTime PLUS also offers the dBASE IV language and Dot Prompt for manipulating and browsing data, and creating or modifying applications on the Macintosh. These applications can then be moved back to the PC, unchanged.

dBASE IV RunTime PLUS is based on dBASE IV version 1.1, which Ashton-Tate announced and began shipping last week. dBASE IV includes over 440 commands and functions that enable developers to build complete applications without programming in C.

"dBASE IV RunTime PLUS plays a vital role in Ashton-Tate's cross- platform strategy of delivering dBASE-compatible products for DOS, Macintosh, VAX VMS and UNIX systems," said Bill Lyons, Ashton-Tate's president and chief operating officer. "It offers the connectivity and flexibility our customers and developers need to run their DOS- based applications on the

Macintosh."

Added Dave Proctor, vice president and general manager of Ashton- Tate's Database Division, "dBASE RunTime PLUS gives our customers access to thousands of dBASE applications -- many of which are listed in Ashton-Tate's Developer Registry -- that were previously unavailable to Macintosh users. These applications are designed for virtually every vertical category, including office automation, accounting, manufacturing and inventory control."

Headquartered in Torrance, Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software. The company's major product categories include database management systems word processing, integrated decision support, spreadsheets, graphics and software utilities. Ashton-Tate has operations worldwide, with products available in 20 languages in more than 50 countries. The company also offers a comprehensive line of training and support services for individuals, corporations and government agencies.

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TORRANCE, CALIF. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) will introduce FullWrite Professional version 1.5, tomorrow, on the opening day of MacWorld Exposition in Boston. FullWrite Professional 1.5 is a new version of the company's full- featured word processing software for the Macintosh. The software begins shipping today at a suggested retail price of $395; it is available through Ashton-Tate authorized resellers.

As a major upgrade to FullWrite Professional 1.1, the new product expands usability with new page layout features, expanded file conversion capabilities and improved learning and help facilities. FullWrite meets the demands of serious writers and word processing professionals who require both WYSIWYG clarity and sophisticated document features. FullWrite's ease of learning and ease of use help novice users become productive quickly.

"FullWrite Professional 1.5 is another step in our commitment to the Macintosh market," said Bill Lyons, Ashton-Tate's president and chief operating officer. "It offers such Macintosh characteristics as superior graphics capabilities, adherence to the Apple interface and true WYSIWYG display."

Added Terry Smail, director of Word Processing Products, "FullWrite Professional 1.5 has been designed to meet customer requests for

additional file conversion formats, more intuitive page layout, increased file stability and improved documentation. And, the new click and drag sidebars maximize the product's page layout capabilities." Features and Benefits:

Instructive manuals guide users through the various aspects of learning and using FullWrite Professional 1.5. Titles include: Learning FullWrite Professional, Using FullWrite Professional, Using Tycho Table Maker, and FullWrite Toolbox.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - United HealthCare Corporation (NASDAQ: UNIH) today announced revenues and earnings for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Second Quarter Results Revenues for the second quarter were $150.2 million a 46 percent increase over the same period one year ago. Net earnings of $7.8 million represented a 168 percent increase over second quarter. Earnings per share were 32 cents on a primary basis and 29 cents fully diluted, compared with 14 cents for last year's second quarter.

Six Months Revenues for the six months ended June 30 were $280.1 million, up 41 percent from the same period in 1989. Net earnings totaled $14.5 million, an increase of 178 percent over net earnings for the first six months of last year. Earnings per share were 61 cents primary and 54 cents fully diluted, compared with per-share earnings of 26 cents for the first half of 1989.

"We're very pleased to report these revenues and earnings for the year's second quarter -- our seventh consecutive quarter of improved results, and the best quarter to date in our company's history," said UHC Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Kennett L. Simmons.

Simmons credited specialty company growth and continuing reductions in SG&A costs, as well as careful medical expense controls, as major factors

in the company's continuing earnings growth.

SG&A Costs Down SG&A costs as a percent of UHC revenues were 24.4 percent for the quarter, compared with 27.9 percent for the preceding quarter. Combined SG&A costs (total selling, general and administrative expenses for all of the company's owned and managed HMOs as a percent of their combined premium revenues) were 9.8 percent. President and Chief Operating Officer William W. McGuire, M.D., said the SG&A levels reflect improved operating efficiencies, ongoing systems improvements and the continuing impact of centralization of a number of administrative functions.

Revenue, Enrollment Growth Dr. McGuire attributed the second quarter's 16 percent revenue growth over the first quarter to several factors: the inclusion of three full months' revenues from PrimeCare Health Plan, Inc., the purchase of which became final March 1, 1990; commercial rate increases averaging 16 percent during the quarter in the company's HMOs; and sales growth, including significant gains for UHC's specialty operations.

The company's specialty businesses now serve over 5 million lives, reflecting 19.5 percent growth during the second quarter and significant sales activity during July. "We expect our specialty operations to show continued strong growth as we move forward," McGuire said.

Enrollment in UHC's HMOs stood at 1,159,100 at June 30. Membership growth for the year remains on target, with an increase of 8,000 during the second quarter, a period traditionally characterized by slow sales, McGuire said.

Also noted by McGuire: -- Following completion of the company's debenture conversion on July 12, 1990, UHC shareholders' equity now stands at over $128 million, compared with $60.3 million at Dec. 31, 1989. Shareholders' equity stood at $88.3 million on June 30, 1990, reflecting conversion of debentures valued at $12.7 million during that month.

-- The company's second quarter medical loss ratio (MLR) was 84.9 percent for its owned HMOs and related insurance company activities, and 85.5 percent for its managed HMOs, compared with 83.2 percent and 85.5 percent, respectively, for the first quarter of 1990. McGuire said the MLR for UHC's owned HMOs and insurance business reflected the addition of revenues contributed by PrimeCare in the second quarter and PrimeCare's relatively higher MLR. "We have stated that we expect our acquisition of PrimeCare to be non-dilutive during its first year as a UHC HMO and that we expect its medical loss ratio to show improvement by early 1991. These results are consistent with our previous expectations," McGuire said.

"We continued to make excellent progress during the second quarter, and we're extremely pleased to report these results to our shareholders," Simmons said.

United HealthCare Corporation is a national leader in health care cost management, serving both the providers and purchasers of health care since 1974. The company's services include HMOs and PPOs, combination plans, Medicare and managed care programs for the aged, administrative services, pharmaceutical cost management, mental health and chemical dependency services, health care evaluation services, and utilization review.

UNITED HEALTHCARE CORPORATION
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenues	$150,229	$102,834	$280,133	$198,808
Net earnings	7,778	2,903	14,506	5,225
Net earnings per share:				
Primary	$0.32	$0.14	$0.61	$0.26
Fully diluted	$0.29	--	0.54	--
Average number of common shares outstanding:				
Primary	24,231	20,261	23,913	19,837
Fully diluted	29,487	--	29,468	--

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WILMINGTON, DEL. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) has started up an industrial nylon fiber plant in Izmit, Turkey, the company announced today.

The plant is part of DUSA, a 50/50 joint venture with the Sabanci Group, a leading Turkish industrial company.

The facility has a capacity of 50 million pounds a year and employs more than 300 people. It will produce nylon 6,6, a high-strength fiber that will be used primarily for tire reinforcement and other industrial applications in Europe and the Middle East.

Commercial shipments are scheduled to begin in mid-August. The Izmit plant underscores Du Pont's globalization effort and business philosophy of getting closer to the customer, as well as the companys strong commitment to the European market, said Don R. Linsenmann, worldwide business manager for nylon and industrial specialties.

Du Pont also manufactures industrial nylon at Richmond, Va.; Chattanooga,

Tenn.; Kingston, Ontario; and Berazategui, Argentina.

The plant in Turkey is consistent with Du Pont's previously announced expansion plan to double its business in Europe by the mid-1990s.

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BINGHAMTON, NY (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Resource Recycling Technologies, Inc. (AMEX: RRT), a diversified waste recycling concern posted revenues of $6.3 and $11.6 million for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 1990, respectively, a 72 percent and 63 percent improvement over the same period last year, reports Lawrence J. Schorr, president. Net income for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990 was $309,000 ($.12/share) and $119,000 ($.07/share) respectively versus $77,000 ($.02/share) and $23,000 (($.07)/share) for the comparable prior year periods. Schorr indicated that the second quarter net earnings reflect beginning seasonal improvements over the first quarter for RRT's Deposit Legislation Division contributions from RRT's new Plastics Division and RRT's 50 percent interest in Count Recycling Systems, Inc., an equipment manufacturer, and reduced losses in its Municipal Recycling Division. Start-up and expansion costs in the first and second quarter of 1990 were up significantly over 1989 as RRT brought the Cape May, N.J. MRF (Materials Recycling Facility) on line in April and the Syracuse, N.Y. MRF on line in July.

Schorr announced that RRT's significant revenue gains continue to track with expectations and that he remains generally optimistic about continued earnings improvement for RRT in 1990 and 1991. Two MRF design, build and operation contracts for Ocean County, N.J. and Palm Beach, Fla. representing $13.0 million in combined project construction, although slower to start than originally projected, have both broken ground and are fully under way. Both projects are scheduled for completion May 1991 and will contribute to revenue growth through the next several quarters. The Ocean County MRF will provide the company with a greater overall presence in the Southern New Jersey and Philadelphia area where the Cape May, N.J. and Bucks County, Pa. MRFs are currently operating.

Schorr further indicated that the second quarter marked the occurrence of a number of significant developments such as the securing of a $25.0 million bonding commitment from Reliance Surety Co., public sale of one million newly issued common shares, raising $8.0 million for the company, placement of a $7.5 million unsecured credit facility with State Street Bank and Trust Co. of Boston, successfully passing the nation's most extensive and rigorous acceptance test for an MRF to date in Cape May County, N.J., and the selection of RRT as a preferred vendor to design,

build and operate an $8.5 million MRF in Monroe County, N.Y.

Resource Recycling Technologies, Inc. is a vertically integrated organization dedicated to the advancement of recycling programs and technologies, and the development of new markets for secondary materials.

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COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Ramtron Holdings, Ltd. (formerly Ramtron Australia, Ltd.) (ADRs - NASDAQ: MEMRY) announced that its majority-owned microelectronics subsidiary based in Colorado Springs, Ramtron Corporation, today formally dedicated its new research and development and manufacturing facility for the further development and manufacture of ferroelectric random access memory (FRAM) technology and products. Ramtron began processing wafers in the facility in June 1990.

The new 69,000-square-foot facility, located on a 32-acre site north of Colorado Springs, is equipped for the pilot production of memory products of up to 4-Mbit (4 million bits), and has a capacity of approximately 6,500 wafers per month.

The manufacturing capacity of Ramtron's new facility, combined with capabilities of Ramtron's co-development and manufacturing partners -- NMB Semiconductor and Seiko-Epson Corporation, both of Japan, and ITT Semiconductors of West Germany -- will provide the capacity required to serve the global markets for Ramtron's memory products.

Richard Horton, president and chief operating officer of Ramtron Corporation, said, "The facility significantly expands the company's research and development capabilities for sub-micron products of 4-Mbit and higher density."

Ramtron Corporation develops, manufactures and markets leading-edge semiconductor memory products based on ferroelectric materials, advanced processing and design technologies. The company holds 22 international patents and has another 40 patents pending.

Ramtron's products include nonvolatile ferroelectronic random access memory products, as well as high performance dynamic random access memory (DRAM) products.

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Gateway Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: GWAY) announced today the results of its operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990. For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $101,000, or $.02 per share on total revenues of $6,017,000. In the comparable 1989 period, net income was $215,000 or $.05 per share on total revenues of $6,465,000. Total revenues increased $511,000 or 9 percent during the three month period ended June 30, 1990, as compared to the comparable period in 1989, excluding revenues from the company's Australian subsidiary which was substantially liquidated during April 1990.

For the six months ending June 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of ($.04) per share, or ($198,000) on total revenues of $11,634,000. Net income for the comparable period in 1989 was $424,000, or $.09 per share on total revenues of $12,736,000.

"The second quarter marked a significant milestone for the company," said David S. McMaster, president and chief executive officer. "During the quarter we introduced ComSystem, the company's first integrated systems-level product. ComSystem has been well- received by the industry and represents the company's increasing emphasis on systems-level communications products."

Also during the second quarter, the company launched an aggressive marketing program for the recently introduced G/EtherTwist line of LAN products. As a result, shipments of G/EtherTwist products have been excellent.

The company has experienced a strong demand for its products from its European distributors whose second quarter sales comprised 30 percent of the company's worldwide revenues. Export trade restrictions on technology products have recently eased in the USSR and East Bloc countries. As a result, Gateway expects its new business partners in these countries to expand the range and volume of Gateway products offered.

Formed in 1981, Gateway Communications is a major supplier of award-winning networking and communications products for the IBM PC and compatible market. Gateway products are sold through nine sales offices and 107 distributors in more than 70 countries worldwide. The company's corporate and international headquarters are located at 2941 Alton Avenue, Irvine, Calif., 92714; telephone, 714-553-1555; fax 714-553-1616.

The table below compared results of operations for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989:

GATEWAY COMMUNICATIONS
Summary of Operations
(Unaudited)

Three months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Total revenues	$6,017,000	$6,465,000
Income before taxes	$172,000	$324,000
Net income	$101,000	$215,000
Net income per share	$.02	$.05
Shares of common stock used in computing per share amounts	4,576,252	4,548,017
Six months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Total revenues	$11,634,000	$12,736,000
Income (loss) before taxes	($237,000)	$663,000
Net income (loss)	($198,000)	$424,000
Net income (loss) per share	($.04)	$.09
Shares of common stock used in computing per share amounts	4,570,808	4,544,086

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LONG BEACH, CA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc. (NASDAQ: HQOSA), one of the leading office products and equipment superstore retailing chains in the Western United States, reported today that it has signed four new store leases for locations in Buena Park, Covina, Montclair and Torrance, Calif. These additional store leases will further consolidate the company's position in Southern California, the nation's largest market for office supplies and related products.

These newly-signed leases, along with additional store leases expected to be signed in the next 45 days, will give HQ Office Supplies Warehouse a total of six new locations anticipated to be opened in the Southern California market. The six new locations added to the 14 stores currently operating would give the company a total of 20 superstores in California and Nevada.

The company experienced a shortage of merchandise during the quarter ending June 30, 1990, which was the direct result of a delay in a public financing which was finally completed June 14, 1990. Immediately following the successful completion of this public offering, HQ Office Supplies Warehouse stores were once again well- stocked in all merchandise areas. During the past month, the company reported comparable stores sales increases of over 20 percent.

HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc. 14 current locations, utilize a

merchandising strategy offering a wide selection of quality, brand- name office products, including general office supplies, business machines, office furniture and other business-related products at discount prices primarily to small and medium-sized businesses. The stores averages at least 25,000 square feet of selling space with an inventory of approximately 8,000 stock keeping units.

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#90219p2848 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

OMAHA, NE (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - America First Participating/Preferred Equity Mortgage Fund (PREP Fund) announced today that the Deed of Trust loan that it owns on Casa Sandoval senior living center in Hayward, Calif. was assigned to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on Friday, Aug. 3, 1990, as provided by the HUD mortgage insurance policy. HUD will pay 99 percent of the outstanding principal balance of $18,667,000 plus interest from the default date of Dec. 1, 1989, at a government debenture rate of 9 percent. HUD will withhold a 1 percent FHA assignment fee of $186,670 from the insurance proceeds. It is anticipated that the Fund will initially receive 90 percent of the insurance proceeds, equal to approximately $16,600,000 plus debenture interest from Dec. 1, 1989, at 9 percent, and that the balance of the insurance proceeds, approximately $1,880,000 plus debenture interest, will be received within six months of the assignment date.

The Casa Sandoval project is one of 12 complexes financed with government-insured mortgages and preferred equity investments by the PREP Fund. The default occured as a result of the real estate developer's inability to keep the mortgage current. All of the remaining government-insured mortgages in the Fund are guaranteed by GNMA, and investors in the Fund are protected up to the amount of their monies invested in the mortgages.

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KALAMAZOO, MI (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) and Syntro Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SYNT) jointly announced today resolution of their dispute regarding patent rights to a genetically engineered pseudorabies vaccine for swine.

The agreement will end litigation brought by Upjohn claiming that its patent is infringed by a pseudorabies vaccine sold by SyntroVet, Inc.,

Syntro's animal health subsidiary. The agreement, with Syntro taking a license under the Upjohn patent and paying royalty to Upjohn, also provides cross-licensing of worldwide rights in the field of pseudorabies under each company's patent rights in exchange for royalties. Both companies market pseudorabies vaccine products claimed in the Upjohn patent, Upjohn's TOLVID Vaccine and SyntroVet's PRV/Marker.

"We are pleased to have this matter behind us," stated Dr. J. Donald Todd, Syntro's president and CEO, "and have the dispute settled in a reasonable and equitable manner which recognizes the value of both parties' technology. Syntro will now focus our resources on additional applications of our technology."

According to Gerald A. Welch, Upjohn senior vice president and general manager for the Agricultural Division, "Upjohn's patent resulted from our pioneering research program in veterinary biotechnology. We are pleased that this settlement provides further recognition of our scientific efforts."

Syntro and Upjohn have been involved in litigation since March 1989, when Upjohn filed suit in Delaware charging Syntro with infringement of the Upjohn patent. A similar suit was filed by Upjohn in Kansas against SyntroVet in September 1989. Counterclaims had been filed by Syntro against Upjohn in the Delaware action.

Syntro Corporation, founded in 1981, is a Lenexa, Kan., and San Diego, Calif.-based biotechnology company engaged in the development and commercialization of technology in the health sector. SyntroVet, a wholly owned animal health subsidiary of Syntro, was established in 1985 to manufacture and market products resulting from Syntro's research program.

The Upjohn Company is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care products and services, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

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#90219p2852 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FL (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Revenues for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990 reflect improved sales in both Publishing and Insurance when compared with the same periods in 1989.

Net losses for the second quarter were $22.97 million (39 cents per share) on revenues of $348.47 million as compared to losses of $42.56 million (84 cents per share) on revenues of $328.63 million for the same quarter in 1989.

The loss from continuing operations improved for both periods at a rate exceeding the increase in revenues primarily due to cost-reduction programs in Publishing, as well as lower interest expense due to the paydown of debt from the proceeds of the sale of Parks and Land in the fourth quarter of 1989.

More specifically, Publishing revenues increased $24 million, or seven percent, in the six months ended June 30, 1990 over the six-month period ended June 30, 1989 because of strong performance in medical books, international sales, test products, and other services.

Publishing income from operations for the 1990 six-month period improved significantly - $27 million - over the loss in the 1989 period owing to this stronger revenue performance, as well as cost savings associated with the marketing redirection of the School group.

Insurance revenues were $31 million, or 14 percent, ahead for the 1990 six-month period because of increased premiums in most lines of business and higher investment income. Operating income was down slightly in the six months ended June 30, 1990 as compared with the six months ended June 30, 1989 owing to increased loss ratios in accident and health lines, especially group, and lower realized capital gains.

Interest expense was significantly lower in the 1990 six-month period as compared with 1989 owing mainly to the retirement of bank debt with proceeds from the sale of Parks.

The 12-month period ended June 30, 1990 includes the following write-offs recorded in the third quarter of 1989: $95 million in Publishing, including a writedown of inventory, plate, and development costs for some elementary and secondary school publications (both published and unpublished), as well as certain school publication rights; $17 million for Insurance acquisition costs and a general increase in insurance reserves; $12 million for the write-off of certain corporate assets, as well as other reserves; and $3 million of interest expense as a writedown of deferred interest costs.

Also in the second half of 1989, HBJ (NYSE: HBJ) recorded an extraordinary loss of $32 million (net of taxes of $17 million) for the write-off of debt acquisition costs associated with long-term bank borrowings which were retired in 1989.

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Jovanovich, Inc., (407) 345-3406.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Cellular Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: COMM) announced today its operating results for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990:

CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
(In thousands except per share data)

Three months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Revenues:		
Service	$26,462	$17,536
Equipment, net	940	(171)
Total	27,402	17,365
Expenses:		
Operating	5,330	3,629
SG&A	13,593	11,031
Total	18,923	14,660
Operating income	8,479	2,705
Deprec. & amort.	(6,980)	(3,839)
Loss on sale of operating equip.	--	(9,921)
Net int. & other income (expense)	(1,478)	1,323
Net income (loss)	21	(9,732)
Net income (loss) per common share	$.00	$(.26)
Six months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Revenues:		
Service	$48,346	$32,159
Equipment, net	1,685	(350)
Total	50,031	31,809
Expenses:		
Operating	10,012	6,806
SG&A	25,401	20,827
Total	35,413	27,633
Operating income	14,618	4,176
Deprec. & amort.	(13,618)	(7,437)
Loss on sale of operating equip.	--	(9,921)
Net int. & other income (expense)	(2,142)	335
Gain on sale of partnership interest	48,118	--
Total	46,976	(12,847)
Provision for income taxes	(939)	--
Net income (loss)	$46,037	($12,847)
Net income (loss) per common share	$1.11	($.36)

Cellular service revenue increased from $17,536,000 to $26,462,000 in the second quarter primarily because of subscriber growth that increased the current revenue stream. The gross profit from telephone equipment in 1990

is due to telephone servicing and warranty revenues from the company's sales and service centers and revenue from the company's cellular phone rental programs.

Operating expenses increased from $3,629,000 to $5,330,000 in the second quarter, representing 21 percent and 20 percent of service revenues, respectively. The increase in absolute terms reflected the increasing level of subscriber activity.

Selling, general and administrative expenses rose from $11,031,000 to $13,593,000 in the second quarter. The increase was attributable to the increase in the costs of servicing and maintaining the larger subscriber base and increases in corporate expenses.

In March 1990, CCI closed a transaction with McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. ("McCaw"), by which CCI exchanged the former CCI subsidiary that owns a 5.56 percent interest in the Dallas non-wireline cellular partnership for 1,601,036 shares of CCI common stock that were owned by McCaw. The stock was valued at $50,633,000 and a gain of $48,118,000 was recognized. As a result of this gain, a provision for income taxes of $939,000 was recorded.

In June 1989, the company recorded a loss of $9,921,000 on the sale of $21,296,000 of switch and radio equipment which was sold for $11,375,000. CCI purchased and installed new switch and radio equipment for $12,786,000 that replaced the equipment sold.

CCI owns cellular systems in Ohio and Puerto Rico. CCI's ownership interests in these systems represent 9,400,000 "pops" (the population of a market multiplied by CCI's ownership interest in the system).

CONTACT: J. Barclay Knapp, chief operating officer, or Richard J. Lubasch vice president-general counsel of CCI, 212-319-7014.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Country Lake Foods Inc. (NASDAQ: CLFI) today reported net earnings of $926,000, equal to 21 cents per share, for the three months ended June 30, 1990, compared with $1,220,000, or 27 cents per share, in the second quarter last year. Net sales increased to $44,303,000 from the previous year's $38,049,000.

The company said the sales gains resulted from the acquisition of Superior-Dairy Fresh Milk Co., sales of which were included as of June 1, 1990, and higher selling prices for products.

"Despite continued high prices for raw milk, our margins have recovered

from the effects of last year's steep price increases," President Thomas N. Packard said. "The planned costs of the Superior-Dairy Fresh acquisition reduced earnings, as expected, and the expenses of assimilating the acquisition will continue to have a negative impact in the short term. The new operation is performing better than expected, and the long-term efficiencies will more than offset the short-term cost."

Packard said the company's Tasty Light & Creamy (TM) line of low-fat products continued to show gains over the previous year. TLC (TM) refrigerated non-fat yogurt, introduced early in the year, has done particularly well, and TLC non-fat milk has established a solid market position, Packard said.

For the six months, Country Lake reported net earnings of $1,410,000, equal to 32 cents per share, compared with last year's $1,434,000, also 32 cents per share. Net sales for the six months were $85,677,000 compared with $74,990,000 last year.

Headquartered in Minneapolis, Country Lake produces and distributes fresh packaged milk, ice cream, other dairy products and fruit juices in a six-state Midwest region.

COUNTRY LAKE FOODS INC.
(in thousands, except per-share amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net sales	$44,303	$38,049	$85,677	$74,990
Net earnings	926	1,220	1,410	1,434
Earnings per share	$.21	$.27	$.32	$.32
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,431	4,430	4,431	4,430

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#90219p2862 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOBURN, MA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Cardiosystems Inc. (AMEX: TCA) today reported revenues of $798,000 for the second quarter of 1990, compared with $593,000 for the same period in 1989. Net loss for the quarter was $34,000, compared with a net income of $105,000 for the same period in 1989.

"Our record second quarter revenues have resulted from the increase in clinical sites that are now using our HeartMate(tm) ventricular- assist devices (VADs)," said Victor L. Poirier, president of Thermo

Cardiosystems. "We have eight sites approved as implant centers by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and nine additional sites awaiting approval. At the same time, we've increased spending to further our development and marketing efforts."

Thermo Cardiosystems Inc. is a leader in research and development of implantable ventricular-assist devices. These devices are designed to perform substantially all or part of the pumping function of the ventricle of the natural heart for patients suffering from cardiovascular disease. Thermo Cardiosystems is a public subsidiary of Thermedics Inc. (AMEX: TMD) and Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

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#90219p2864 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Apple Bancorp, Inc. (NYSE: APK) announced today that the Delaware Chancery Court denied Stanley Stahl's motion in which Stahl sought to compel the holding of the company's 1990 annual meeting of shareholders on or before Sept. 14, 1990. In the course of the hearing the court indicated its present view that the annual meeting should be held no later than Oct. 1, 1990, and that any claim by Stahl pursuant to Section 211 of the Delaware General Corporation law to compel the holding of an annual meeting could not be brought prior to Sept. 15, 1990. The company also announced that the court reserved judgment on Stahl's motion for partial summary judgment seeking to invalidate a portion of the definition of beneficial ownership set forth in the company's shareholder rights plan.

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#90219p2865 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Cognitronics Corporation (AMEX: CGN) announced today that it has been awarded a significant contract by Phoenix-based AG Communication Systems Corporation (AGCS) to supply 200 additional units of Cognitronics' Multi-channel Intelligent Announcement System, McIAS(TM) 2100, for use as an integral part of AGCS' GTD-5(R) EAX telephone network switching system. The contract, including options, is valued at approximately $5,000,000 and requires the systems to be equipped with Cognitronics' new digital T1 interface. It is anticipated that delivery of the additional systems will begin in the fourth quarter of this year and continue through 1991. Completion of deliveries under contract with AGCS will bring to 500 the number of McIAS 2100 systems supplied for use in the GTD-5 switching systems.

The McIAS 2100 is an advanced, high-capacity announcement system which AGCS is marketing to implement Custom Local Area Signaling Services (CLASS) and pay phone variable rate message services being offered by telephone operating companies to subscribers, who use the interactive announcement capability of McIAS to control incoming calls through such CLASS features as Call Blocking, Selective Call Forwarding and Call Alerting. The system also provides automatic variable rate voice prompts to pay phone users for toll deposits. The availability of the McIAS 2100 enables AGCS to lead the switching system market in implementing such services.

The McIAS 2100, which was developed especially for AGCS, is part of Cognitronics' McIAS 2000 series of large capacity voice processing systems used by telephone operating companies and telephone switch manufacturers for providing the entire range of announcements required on the public switched network.

Cognitronics is a leading manufacturer and supplier of voice processing equipment, including telephone network announcement products and interactive voice response (IVR) systems, to telephone operating companies OEMs and commercial users. Cognitronics also manufactures optical scanning and image processing systems and precision machined parts.

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#90219p2866 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - A vivid blue 1991 Mazda Navajo sport utility vehicle rolled off the end of the assembly line today at Ford Motor Company's Louisville Assembly Plant, marking not only Mazda's first entry into this rapidly growing segment of the automotive market, but also the first time that a vehicle produced in the United States by a domestic manufacturer would be sold by an import manufacturer through its own dealer network.

The Navajo, which goes on sale this fall, was designed and engineered by the Ford Motor Company, renowned for its leadership in truck engineering and quality, with developmental input from Mazda in the areas of vehicle standards, development and testing. Mazda also was responsible for designing the areas of differentiation and for developing option packages to satisfy its customers. The Mazda Navajo is based on the 1991 Ford Explorer which was introduced earlier this year.

Clark J. Vitulli, chief operating officer for Mazda Motor of America Inc., stated, "The Navajo rounds out our four-wheel drive line-up. Mazda is one of the few manufacturers to offer such a wide range of four-wheel drive vehicles, namely the B-series 4X4 pickup truck, the five-passenger

Protege 4WD sedan, the seven-passenger MPV 4WD multi-use vehicle, and now the Navajo."

The Mazda Navajo will be offered as a two-door, and features standard four-wheel drive, a 155-horsepower V-6 engine, power steering, power windows and door locks and a rear-wheel Anti-Lock Brake System (ABS). The Navajo is well equipped in standard form, and offers a choice of two preferred equipment packages, including one which features the luxury of leather seating surfaces. Four exterior colors will be available, including one -- Newport Blue Metallic -- which is exclusive to the Navajo.

The Navajo, like all Mazda vehicles, is covered by one of the most comprehensive warranties available. This three-year, 50,000- mile zero-deductible bumper-to-bumper warranty covers every part of the vehicle except those subject to normal wear. Tires are covered by a separate warranty.

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#90219p2868 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOBURN, MA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermedics Inc. (AMEX: TMD) today reported record revenues of $6,887,000 for the second quarter of 1990, compared with $5,674,000 for the same quarter in 1989. Net income was $776,000, compared with $379,000 for last year's second quarter.

"Second quarter revenues were at a record high, due largely to contributions from our first full quarter of operations that included Universal Voltronics Corp. (AMEX: UVL)," said John W. Wood, Jr., president of Thermedics.

"Universal Voltronics, a company in which Thermedics now owns a controlling interest, enjoyed a significant increase in its sales of high voltage power supplies to various industrial markets in the past quarter."

Thermedics develops, manufactures, and markets biomaterials, biomedical products, analytical instruments, and explosives- and drug-detection devices, and provides analytical laboratory services. Thermedics is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

THERMEDICS INC. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	7/1/89	6/30/90	7/1/89
Revenues	$6,887,000	$5,674,000	$13,517,000	$11,675,000
Income before provision for				

income taxes	387,000	705,000	1,556,000	1,428,000
Net income	776,000	379,000	1,536,000	762,000
Earnings per share	4 cents	2 cents	9 cents	4 cents
Weighted average shares	17,774,000	17,269,000	17,756,000	17,062,000

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#90219p2869 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines today said it flew 1.49 billion revenue passenger miles and had a 64.0 percent load factor in July. Capacity was 2.33 billion available seat miles; passenger boardings were 1.88 million.

The results are not comparable with July, 1989 levels when the airline's operations were greatly diminished by a March 4 strike. One year ago capacity was 934.6 million available seat miles and the airline flew 698.8 million revenue passenger miles with a 74.8 percent load factor. Passenger boardings were 749,000.

Eastern currently operates about 800 daily flights to some 85 cities.

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#90219p2871 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Reuters this week opened its first reporting bureau in Hanoi to meet an increasing demand for news of Vietnam as the country adjusts to the dramatic changes in the communist world.

The first resident Reuter correspondent, Kathleen Callo, a 31-year-old U.S. national, took up her post yesterday. She has had previous reporting assignments for Reuters in London, Brussels, Manila, and Hong Kong.

Reuters maintained a bureau in Saigon (now Ho Chi Minh City) until the capital of the former South Vietnam was taken over by communist forces in 1975.

Editor in Chief Mark Wood said: "Opening a bureau in Hanoi underlines our commitment to extend our worldwide news coverage and we are convinced Vietnam will be an increasingly important news story in the years ahead." The opening of the Hanoi bureau brings the number of Reuters reporting bureaus to 119 in 78 countries.

Reuters Holdings PLC supplies the global business community and news media with a wide range of facilities including real-time financial data and transaction services, access to numeric and textual historical databases, news, and news pictures. Reuters has a controlling interest in Visnews, the international television news agency, and Reuter Group companies design and install Trading Room Systems.

Reuters obtains information from around 160 exchanges and over-the-counter markets and from a network of some 1,310 journalists, photographers, and cameramen.

Reuters distributes information through approximately 200,000 video terminals and teleprinters. This includes information directly transmitted to clients' computers.

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#90219p2874 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - General Re Corporation (NYSE: GRN) reports net income excluding realized capital gains or losses for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $1.60 per share, an increase of 3.2 percent from the comparable results in the second quarter of 1989 of $1.55 per share. After-tax realized capital gains were $.17 per share in the second quarter of 1990, compared with $.02 per share in the second quarter of 1989. Net income for 1990's second quarter was $1.77 per share compared with $1.57 per share in the second quarter of 1989, an increase of 12.7 percent. Net income includes "fresh start" benefits of $.03 and $.08 per share in the second quarters of 1990 and 1989, respectively.

The combined underwriting/expense ratio for the domestic property/casualty companies for the second quarter of 1990 was 99.1 percent compared with 99.1 percent for the same quarter in 1989, 99.0 percent for the first quarter of 1990, and 99.6 percent for the year 1989. In the first half of 1990, the combined ratio was 99.0 percent, the same as in the first half of 1989.

Net income excluding realized capital gains or losses for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $3.10 per share, an increase of 4.0 percent from the comparable results in the first half of 1989 of $2.98 per share. After-tax realized capital gains were $.30 per share and "fresh start" benefits were $.06 per share in the first half of 1990 which compares with $.28 per share and $.12 per share, respectively, in the first half of 1989. Net income for 1990's first half was $3.40 per share compared with $3.26 per share in the first half of 1989.

Shareholders' equity at June 30, 1990, amounted to $3,153.9 million. As of June 30, 1990, the Corporation had 88,050,119 shares of common stock outstanding compared to 89,950,364 at Dec. 31, 1989 and 91,326,762 shares at June 30, 1989. As of today, August 7, the Corporation has repurchased 1,978,800 shares of its common stock during 1990.

GENERAL RE CORPORATION
(In millions except for per share figures)

Periods ended June 30:	Second quarter 1990	Second quarter 1989	Six months 1990	Six months 1989
Revenues	$690.9	$673.0	$1,424.5	$1,409.1
Net income excluding realized gains (losses)	142.6	141.9	277.7	274.1
Realized gains (losses)	14.6	2.0	26.6	25.7
Net income	$157.2	$143.9	$304.3	$299.8
Per share data: Average common shares outstanding	88,054	91,697	88,433	91,968
Net income excluding realized gains (losses)	$1.60	$1.55	$3.10	$2.98
Realized gains (losses)	.17	.02	.30	.28
Net income	$1.77	$1.57	$3.40	$3.26
Net investment income after taxes	$143.7	$138.1	$285.2	$271.6
Net premiums written:				
Domestic prop./casualty	$457.5	$440.1	$935.6	$861.3
Overseas operations	20.6	19.4	74.3	71.4
Total	$478.1	$459.5	$1,009.9	$932.7
Combined underwriting ratio of domestic property/casualty companies:				
Loss Ratio	67.2%	69.0%	68.8%	69.8%
Expense Ratio	31.9	30.1	30.2	29.2
Total	99.1%	99.1%	99.0%	99.0%

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ATLANTA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of IRT Property Co. (NYSE: IRT) today announced a quarterly dividend of $.29 per share payable Sept. 1 to shareholders of record Aug. 17.

IRT Property Co. is a real estate investment trust that focuses on shopping centers in the southeastern United States. The company owns in excess of five million square feet of retail space in its portfolio of 90 investments.

CONTACT: W. Benjamin Jones III, senior vice president and general counsel of IRT Property, (404) 955-4406, or J. Pratt Farmer of Farmer & Madison, (404) 873-5751, for IRT Property.

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#90219p2879 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Chiles Offshore Corporation (AMEX: CHC), the Houston-based offshore drilling contractor, achieved increased revenues though experiencing a net loss for the second quarter of 1990. This announcement was made today by William E. Chiles, president and chief executive officer of the company.

Drilling revenues for the three months ended on June 30, 1990, totaled $11,979,000, an increase of 36 percent from the preceding quarter. However, increased depreciation and interest expenses associated with three mobile jackup units purchased by the company late in the first quarter resulted in a net loss of $475,000, or $.04 per share, for the second quarter.

On a year-to-date basis, the recent quarter's performance brought the company's drilling revenues to $20,778,000, while the company's net loss totaled $214,000, or $.02 per share.

Utilization of the company's expanding fleet averaged 92.7 percent for the second quarter and 91.9 percent for the first six months of the year, Chiles reported.

"It was a gratifying quarter in light of our initial public offering and the enlargement of our fleet by more than 40 percent," said Chiles in making the announcement.

Chiles said that the company's initial public offering in May produced net proceeds to the company of $64.6 million. That capital is being held in short-term interest-bearing securities while the company considers investment opportunities that fit into its long-term growth strategy.

"As part of our strategic plan, we are also now earnestly looking beyond the Gulf of Mexico, where our rigs are currently deployed, and exploring opportunities in other markets around the world," he said.

On July 10, the company announced that it had entered into three- year bareboat charter agreements to operate three additional mobile offshore jackup drilling units. Under the charters, the company has the option to purchase the rigs at an agreed-upon price on or before Nov. 30, 1990.

Chiles Offshore Corporation, with offices in Houston and in Lafayette, La.

is engaged in the drilling and workover of offshore oil and gas wells. The company works on a contract basis for major and independent oil and gas companies. In addition to operating its own fleet of 10 mobile offshore jackup units and the three bareboat charters mentioned above, the company manages a self-contained platform rig owned by Conoco Inc.

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#90219p2883 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Horn & Hardart Company (AMEX: HOR) today announced the sale to Arby's Inc. of Horn & Hardart's 22 franchised units in South Florida for total consideration of $5 million. Horn & Hardart has been a dominant Arby's franchisee in Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach counties.

The sale of Horn & Hardart's Arby's units represents the termination of Horn & Hardart's restaurant operations in Florida.

"Today's announcement is part of Horn & Hardart's previously announced restructure program," said Donald Schupak, chairman and chief executive officer. "The company is currently in negotiation with several parties concerning the sale of its other restaurant concepts and real estate assets."

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#90219p2884 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Alco Standard Corp. (NYSE: ASN) today approved the regular quarterly cash dividend of $.21 per common share.

The dividend is payable Sept. 10, 1990, to holders of record Aug. 20. Regular dividends to shareholders of serial preferred stock of record Sept. 18, 1990, will be paid Oct. 1.

Alco Standard Corp., headquartered in Valley Forge, is a publicly held company specializing in high-growth, service-intensive industries. For its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1989, revenues were $4.1 billion.

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#90219p2889 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HERNDON, VA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - EDS has signed a dual award contract with the U.S. Army Information Systems Selection and Acquisition Agency for technical support services to the Army's Information Systems Software Center (ISSC) at Fort Belvoir, Va. Maximum life cycle value is approximately $116 million.

The contract will run for five years in one-year increments and will provide life cycle management services of Standard Army Management Information Systems (STAMIS). The indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity contract will include cost plus fixed fee, cost plus award fee and firm fixed price task orders for a wide range of software engineering services.

Under the contract, EDS will support ISSC by providing system development, conversion and maintenance for various STAMIS. Assigned systems under the contract include financial, payroll, personnel and force development among others.

Work will be performed at Fort Belvoir, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., the Army MELPAR building in Falls Church, Va. and EDS' Eastern Regional Headquarters in Herndon.

"This is EDS' first major systems engineering services contract with the Army," said Robert McCashin, group executive for EDS' Federal Government business. "It is in keeping with our strategy of expanding our professional services work with the government."

"This contract will enable EDS to assist the Army during a critical period of transition and consolidation," said George Sibley, president of EDS' Military Systems Division. "The contract will improve the ability of the existing STAMIS to respond to functional user need and provide more timely and accurate information to all levels of the Army."

EDS has operations in 27 countries and is the leader in providing information technology services to customers around the world. Stock reflecting EDS' performance is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

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#90219p2890 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Halifax Engineering, Inc. (AMEX: HX) today released results for its first quarter ended June 30, 1990. The company reported net income for the quarter of $311,000, or 26 cents per share, on revenues of $7,420,000. This compares with last year's first

quarter net income of $83,000, or 7 cents per share, on revenues of $7,522,000. Howard C. Mills, president, stated that income was a first quarter record for Halifax.

Halifax is a national professional, technical and support services firm.

HALIFAX ENGINEERING
First Quarter Results

First quarter ended June 30,	1990	1989
Revenues	$7,420,000	$7,522,000
Income before income taxes	517,000	138,000
Income taxes	206,000	55,000
Net income	$ 311,000	$ 83,000
Net income per share	$ 0.26	$ 0.07
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	1,192,429	1,192,429

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#90219p2895 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - An agreement to form a new company, Siam Occidental Electrochemical Ltd. (S.O.E.C.), has been reached between Dallas, Texas-based Occidental Chemical Corporation and Bangkok- based United Srichai Chemicals Co. Ltd. The establishment of S.O.E.C. marks the first chlor-alkali investment for OxyChem in the Far East.

Under the agreement, the new company would purchase United Srichai's chlor-alkali facility near Bangkok. An expansion that would more than double the capacity of that facility would be undertaken to meet the increasing demand for chlorine and caustic soda in Thailand. The plant's current annual capacity stands at 20,000 metric tons of chlorine and 23,000 metric tons of caustic soda. The transaction is expected to be completed by October 1990, with completion of the expansion planned for fourth quarter 1992.

OxyChem is a major worldwide producer of electrochemicals and specialty products, petrochemicals, plastics and resins and agricultural products. It is the largest U.S. merchant producer of chlorine and caustic soda and also has a strong presence in those businesses in Latin America.

United Srichai is one of two major producers of caustic soda in Thailand. It presently operates advanced membrane cell technology supplied by

Occidental Chemical's affiliated company OxyTech Systems, Inc.

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WICHITA, KN (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Brite Voice Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: BVSI) entered into a three-year agreement granting Infovox AB of Solna, Sweden the rights to manufacture and sell Brite's equipment in Sweden and Norway.

"Infovox is typical of the type of company we are seeking to enter into partnerships with to represent our interests abroad," said Stan Brannan, president and CEO of Brite. "Its reputation as a high technology company and a leading provider of "text-to-speech" systems is important to us. Both of us work hard to provide superior after-the-sale support. This service philosophy is a key to winning new customers."

Infovox AB is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Swedish Telecom Administration and is responsible for speech technology-based systems and applications within the Administration. Infovox AB is one of the leading providers of text-to-speech technology in the world. Its technology converts text into spoken English (American and British), German, French, Spanish, Italian and Scandinavian languages using synthetic speech. Infovox's products are sold in over 20 countries including the United States. The company also provides turnkey interactive voice response (IVR) solutions for banking, travel information, road information, order entry, game results, etc. "The use of Brite's equipment will enhance our ability to provide turn-key IVR products," said Lars Magnusson, president of Infovox AB. "In addition, we see opportunities to use Brite's systems with our text-to-speech products."

Known as a leading provider of audiotex and interactive voice response equipment in the United States, Brite has other manufacturing license agreements in Australia, Canada, New Zealand and the United Kingdom (including Great Britain and Northern Ireland). "Our equipment is in operation in nine countries and we are looking for additional representatives in other countries," states Bill Daugherty, director for international sales at Brite. In addition to manufacturing license agreements, the company also sells its products through a combination of distributorships and direct sales. Brite has the largest installed base of voice response equipment of all of the U.S. vendors marketing in Europe according to Probe Research, an independent research company.

CONTACT: Brian Schoenthaler of Brite Voice Systems Inc., 316-687-4444.

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Emerson Electric Co. (NYSE: EMR) announced today that it is proceeding with the development of a plan that, if implemented, would spin off to Emerson shareholders all of the equity interest in a new company that would own Emerson's defense business. It is intended that the plan will be finalized in sufficient time to allow completion of the spin-off, if undertaken, by the close of Emerson's fiscal year on Sept. 30, 1990.

Primary issues to be addressed by the plan include obtaining financing for the new company's working capital requirements and for the payment of a cash dividend by the new company to Emerson, developing satisfactory arrangements to protect Emerson with respect to its existing guarantees of certain defense contract obligations, and approval of the listing of the new company's securities on a national securities exchange or other quotation system.

The new company would own all the outstanding shares of five Emerson operating subsidiaries: Electronics & Space Corp., based in St. Louis; Hazeltine Corporation, based in Greenlawn (Long Island), N.Y.; Rantec Microwave and Electronics, Inc., based in Calabasas, Calif.; Southwest Mobile Systems Corporation, based in St. Louis; and Vacco Industries, based in South El Monte, Calif.

Equity ownership interest in the new company would be distributed on a pro rata basis to Emerson shareholders.

Charles F. Knight, chairman and chief executive officer of Emerson, stated "This action would create a new company tightly focused on the defense industry. We believe a spin-off would be a positive step for Emerson, its shareholders, these subsidiaries and their employees."

Fiscal 1989 aggregate net sales for the five defense units totaled approximately $600 million, representing approximately 8 percent of Emerson's overall net sales of $7.1 billion. Fiscal 1989 pre-tax earnings for the five units totaled approximately $15 million, or approximately 1.5 percent of total pre-tax earnings. The five operating subsidiaries employ approximately 6,000 employees.

Emerson Electric Co. manufactures a broad range of electronic, electrical and other products for commercial, consumer, industrial and government and defense markets.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Fuji Capital Markets Corporation, a subsidiary of the Fuji Bank, Limited, announced today the formation of a Derivative Products Group and that Steven A. Schwimmer has joined Fuji from First Boston Corporation to head the New York-based operation.

Schwimmer, whose title will be managing director-Fuji Capital Markets Derivative Products Group, was most recently a director of First Boston in its Interest Rate Swaps Department.

Financial derivative products, which include interest rate and currency swaps and options, have become increasingly important tools for corporations and financial institutions seeking to manage their balance sheets, minimize funding risk and cost or maximize portfolio returns and flexibility.

The Derivative Products Group, which is expected to be fully operational by the year-end, will be responsible for integrating derivative products into Fuji's worldwide activities. Through this extension of its capabilities, Fuji intends to establish a significant market making-presence in dollar-denominated and other financial derivative products.

On July 30, Fuji Capital Markets received approval from the Federal Reserve Board to act as principal, broker and advisor with respect to interest rate and currency swaps and related transactions.

Commenting on the announcement, Shiro Yanagihara, president and chief executive officer of Fuji Capital Markets Corporation, said: "We have studied the market for interest rate and currency swaps and options very thoroughly and are convinced that with the right people and commitment, Fuji can achieve a significant presence in this area. Our success in recruiting Steve Schwimmer puts us well on our way to achieving that goal."

Schwimmer said: "While the derivative products market has become well established within the financial markets, product innovation and new customer applications continue to broaden the market. I am convinced that the combination of Fuji Bank's capital strength and global presence will make us a formidable competitor in the field."

Schwimmer, 36, received a bachelor's degree in accounting and business administration from SUNY Albany and an M.B.A. with a concentration in finance from New York University. Prior to joining First Boston in 1985, he was director and co-head of the Transactional Finance/Swaps Department at Marine Midland Bank. Schwimmer is a Certified Public Accountant. He resides in Fair Lawn, N.J., with his wife and two children.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Grace Specialty Chemicals Co., the specialty chemicals unit of W. R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA), today announced that it will spend US$2.5 million to further reduce emissions at its manufacturing plant in Worms, West Germany, by installing two cooling towers to further lower the wastewater temperature to below 30 degrees Celsius. The company will also install a second membrane press to treat sludge resulting from the manufacturing process.

The Worms site is the European manufacturing and research development center for Grace Specialty Chemicals' catalysts, silica products and molecular sieves.

Jacques Theumann, president of the European Darex division, spoke of the company's environmental gains, saying, "In order to maintain our high environmental standards as manufacturing capacity expands, we will enhance our effluent treatment facility." He continued, "We want to be on the cutting edge of progressive corporate environmental policy."

Last year GSC spent more than $10 million in order to expand silica production at this site. The company recently announced the spending of $7 million to strengthen its environmental and safety standards at its facility in Heidelberg. In 1989 Grace Specialty Chemicals spent $65 million on environmental matters, and this year that figure is expected to surpass $80 million.

Headquartered in Lausanne, Switzerland, the European Darex division's product lines include flexible packaging materials and equipment; separators used by the industrial and automotive battery industry; container sealants used to protect food and beverages; and catalysts used for emission control and petroleum refining.

Grace Specialty Chemicals is the world's largest specialty chemicals company, with sales of $3.3 billion. Grace is an international specialty chemicals company with interests in energy, manufacturing and service businesses. Its sales exceed $6 billion.

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Transmation, Inc. (NASDAQ: TRNS), a manufacturer and distributor of electronic instrumentation, today

reported sales of $5,971,000 and net income of $131,466, or 6 cents per share for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990. This figure compares to sales of $5,752,200 and net income of $271,251 or 9 cents per share for the same quarter in 1989.

William J. Berk, president, said, "During the first quarter, gross margins were reduced compared to last year, primarily as a result of change in the mix of products sold in 1990 vs. 1989. Additionally, company spending on development engineering increased by 20 percent compared to last year." Berk pointed out several new products are expected to be introduced in the market late in the current year.

"Shipments of products to the international market were down in the first quarter of 1990 compared to the same three months in 1989," Berk stated. "We received an order for more than $650,000 of analog instrumentation in early 1990 which has not yet shipped," Berk continued. He said he expected this order to be shipped during the second quarter which ends Sept. 30

Berk pointed out that business continues to be strong for the company's Transcat subsidiary and also that international interest for the company's products was high. Berk said that he believed new sales and marketing initiatives, together with new product introductions, will spur demand for the company's products in the United States later in the current fiscal year.

For the year ended March 31, 1990, the company had announced record sales of $23,734,395, and earnings of $1,068,550, or 45 cents per share.

Transmation develops, manufactures and distributes instrumentation used in monitoring industrial processes. Its products include analog instrumentation, portable test and calibration equipment, and computerized systems for supervisory control and data acquisition. Transcat, Transmation's distribution subsidiary, sells both Transmation products and those of approximately 200 additional manufacturers through catalogs produced by the company.

Transmation's annual meeting will be held at noon on Tuesday, Aug. 21, at the Holiday Inn-Airport, 911 Brooks Ave., Rochester.

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#90219p2906 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Gibson Greetings, Inc. (NASDAQ: GIBG) today announced record revenues for the second quarter and first half of 1990.

Revenues for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $79.6 million, up 20.4 percent from the comparable period in 1989. Income before taxes was $3.2 million, down 15.4 percent from the second quarter of 1989. Net income of $2.0 million was 24.8 percent below the like period of 1989, with net income per share of $.13 versus $.16, down 18.8 percent. The effective tax rate was 39.1 percent compared to 31.4 percent in the second quarter of 1989.

Income before taxes for the second quarter of 1990 reflected an increase of $2.4 million in the bad debt provision resulting from the Ames Department Store bankruptcy and additional provisions considered appropriate in view of the weakened financial condition of certain other retailers. In addition, interest expense, net, increased $1.5 million, relating to earlier production at Cleo Inc in anticipation of increased shipments in the last half, increased asset additions and decreased short-term investment income.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $160.4 million, up 18.8 percent, while income before taxes was $13.3 million compared to $13.1 million for the first half of 1989. Net income was $8.2 million, down 5.9 percent from the like period in 1989, with net income per share of $.52 versus $.55, down 5.5 percent. The effective tax rate was 38.2 percent compared to 33.7 percent for the first half of 1989.

Income before taxes for the second quarter and first half benefited from increases in revenues and decreases in operating expense ratios. However, these benefits were offset by higher cost of products sold ratios due to changes in product mix and substantially higher interest expense resulting from increased borrowings.

The effective tax rates for the second quarter and first half were above the like periods of 1989 due to the impact of the reversal of a tax penalty on last year's rates.

Benjamin J. Sottile, chairman, president and chief executive officer, stated that the strong gains in revenues for the second quarter and first half of 1990 were principally attributable to increased shipments, primarily to existing accounts, of everyday card and non-card products, as well as increases for Cleo brand seasonal gift wrap products. Improvement in the return and allowance rates of certain products also contributed to the gains. The basic seasonality of the business typically results in revenues and net income for the last two quarters substantially exceeding first half revenues and net income.

Sottile emphasized that stockholders' equity at June 30 increased 20.0 percent to $231.8 million compared to $193.1 million on the year ago date. In addition, the company's long-term debt increased to $30.1 million reflecting the $16.5 million financing in late 1989 for a manufacturing/distribution facility in Memphis, Tenn., partially offset by a $4.7 million reduction in other long-term debt obligations. This new facility is expected to be completed in early 1991. Concerning the acquisition of New Peck late last year, Sottile added that operations had been successfully integrated with Cleo operations.

Sales of products featuring such licensed properties as Walt Disney and Sesame Street characters, Dick Tracy, Mother Goose & Grimm, The Jungle Book, Lynn Hollyn, as well as Neat Stuff alternative cards, continue to be encouraging. In addition, a new greeting card fixture system called Concept 2000 is scheduled for initial introduction in the fall. This modular design is expected to increase the sales productivity of retail chain accounts.

GIBSON GREETINGS, INC.
SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT DATA
(in thousands except per share amounts - unaudited)

	Three Months (A) Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 79,570	$ 66,112
Income Before Income Taxes	3,214	3,797
Net Income	1,957	2,604
Net Income Per Share	$.13	$.16
Average Common Shares and Equivalents Outstanding	15,830	15,758

	Six Months (A) Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$160,447	$135,032
Income Before Income Taxes	13,250	13,127
Net Income	8,182	8,697
Net Income Per Share	$ .52	$ .55
Average Common Shares and Equivalents Outstanding	15,833	15,750

Note (A) -- Because the company's business is seasonal in nature, the results of interim periods are not necessarily indicative of yearly results.

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#90219p2909 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Enex Resources Corporation (NASDAQ: ENEX) announced today that its board of directors has approved the purchase of up to 150,000 shares of the company's common stock. A portion of the shares will be acquired through a cash tender offer to holders of 99 or fewer shares at $4 per share. The company currently has approximately 1.5 million shares outstanding.

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#90219p2911 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
LIMERICK, PA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Teleflex Incorporated (AMEX: TFX) today announced that its board of directors took action effective Aug. 6, 1990 to declare a cash dividend of thirteen and one half cents ($.13-1/2) per share on shares of common stock held of record at the close of business on Aug. 24, 1990 and payable Sept. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: John F. Schoenfelder of Teleflex, 215-948-5100

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#90219p2912 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Contel Corp. (NYSE: CTC) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 27.5 cents per common share payable Aug. 31 to stockholders of record on Aug. 17.

This represents an annual dividend of $1.10 per common share. All per share amounts reflect the 2-for-1 stock split which became effective on Aug. 16, 1989.

Contel, a company with more than $3 billion in revenues and sales, provides a broad range of telecommunications products and services.

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#90219p2913 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - AAC Acquisition Corp., a subsidiary of Acer America Corporation and a member of the Taiwan-based Acer Group, announced today that its offer to purchase all outstanding shares of common stock and all outstanding shares of Series B common stock of Altos Computer Systems, in each case at $8.35 per share net to the seller in cash,

expired at 5 p.m. New York City time on Monday, Aug. 6. 1990.

Based on a preliminary count, Security Pacific National Bank, the depositary for the offer, has advised AAC that, as of the expiration date of the offer, an aggregate of approximately 10,456,788 shares of common stock and 17,750 shares of Series B common stock had been tendered pursuant to the offer (including shares tendered pursuant to guaranteed delivery procedures) and not thereafter withdrawn, representing 95.5 percent of the outstanding common stock and 100.0 percent of the outstanding Series B common stock, assuming the exercise of all outstanding and exercisable options, as defined in the offer. All validly tendered shares have been accepted for payment subject to the terms and conditions of the offer.

CONTACT: Leonard Y. Liu of Acer America Corp., 408-922-0333, or Ronald C. Conway of Altos Computer Systems, 408-432-6200, or C. Brian Maddox of Georgeson & Company, 212-440-9862.

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#90219p2914 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Co.'s Louisville Assembly Plant (LAP) today built the first 1991 Mazda Navajo, a sport utility vehicle which will be sold by Mazda's U.S. dealers.

When the vivid blue Mazda Navajo rolled from the assembly line, it marked the first time a U.S. auto company built a vehicle for a Japanese auto company and its dealers.

The Mazda Navajo was designed and engineered by Ford, with developmental input from Mazda. Mazda specified and Ford designed the areas of product differentiation. Mazda developed option packages unique to its vehicle.

The Mazda Navajo, a two-door model with four-wheel drive, will be introduced at Mazda dealerships this fall. It will feature a 155-horsepower, multi-port fuel-injected Ford 4.0-liter V-6 engine and will be available with either Mazda's five-speed manual or Ford's four-speed automatic transmission.

The Mazda Navajo is based on the 1991 Ford Explorer utility vehicle, also built only at LAP. The Explorer has been one of the auto industry's strong-selling new models since its introduction at Ford dealerships last March 15.

Product differentiation between the Ford Explorer and the Mazda Navajo will include a unique Mazda Navajo paint color, and designs for bumpers, grilles, headlights and side marker lights, wheels, tail lights, steering wheel, seat cloth and door panel and armrest design.

Phong Vu, truck program manager for Ford, said: "When another company signs up to buy our vehicles, it's an endorsement which our outstanding work force rightfully enjoys. We are pleased to be building the Navajo for Mazda."

The development of that vehicle is the latest in a series of cooperative ventures between Ford and Mazda.

Clark J. Vitulli, chief operating officer for Mazda Motor of America Inc., said: "The development of the Navajo was a textbook study in teamwork. The Navajos produced in Louisville represent another high point in the mutually beneficial relationship which Mazda and Ford began some 20 years ago."

Ford said it expects to build about 18,000 of these vehicles during the first year of production.

Ford invested $260 million to expand LAP to build the Ford Explorer and Mazda Navajo. Plant Manager Les Tischler said: "The 162,000-square-foot expansion, increasing the plant to 2.6-million square feet, included a new area for frame and chassis assembly and a new pre-trim facility.

"Every plant employee went through a comprehensive training program before production of the Explorer and Mazda Navajo began," Tischler said. "This extensive program taught subjects ranging from statistical process control for continued quality improvements, to 1990s philosophies of the auto industry."

LAP produced its first Ford Explorer last Feb. 14. The Explorer and Mazda Navajo assignments meant about 1,200 jobs at the plant. The number relates to added employment and to other employment which would have been eliminated if Ford had not selected LAP to build the vehicles. The plant employs 3,800.

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#90219p2915 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Reliance Group Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: REL) announced today that it intends to purchase, from time to time in the open market, up to 700,000 shares of its outstanding common stock, depending on prevailing market conditions. Such shares will be used to fund the company's contribution to its employee benefit plans.

Reliance Group Holdings, Inc., headquartered in New York, has major property and casualty, life, title and mortgage insurance operations;

engages in real estate development; provides consulting and technical services; and makes diversified investments. Reliance has assets of $10.6 billion and had 1989 revenues of $4.0 billion.

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#90219p2916 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW CASTLE, PA. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - First Western Bancorp Inc., (NASDAQ-NMS: FWBI) parent of First National Bank of Western Pennsylvania, honored Thomas V. Mansell at a dinner held in his honor Saturday, Aug. 4.

In charge of the proceedings were John W. Sant, chairman and chief executive officer of First Western and Thomas J. O'Shane, president and chief operating officer of First Western and president and chief executive officer of First National. The highlight of the evening was the announcement by O'Shane that the former N.C. Professional Building, located at 113 E. Washington St., had been renamed One Mansell Place in recognition of Mansell's contributions to First National since 1952, when Mansell joined the Union Trust Co., then the parent of First National.

Mansell graduated from Westminster College in 1929, from Harvard Law School in 1933, and was admitted to the practice of law in 1934. During the second World War, service as an officer in the U.S. Navy in the Pacific theater interrupted his law practice, to which he returned shortly after the end of the war.

In 1952, Mansell joined the Union Trust Co. and in 1956 became a director of both Union Trust Co. and First National Bank. In 1972, Mansell became president of First National and, in 1976, he became president and chief executive officer, which office he held until his retirement in 1984. Subsequent to his retirement, he was retained as chairman of First National and vice chairman of First Western. Mansell retired as a director of First Western and First National in 1990 and was named chairman emeritus and senior advisory director of First National at that time. He still comes to work at his office in First Western every day.

In summing up the essence of Mansell's service to First National, Sant said that First National acts in a responsible manner because Mansell is a gentleman; that First National treats its employees with care and concern because Mansell was concerned about human welfare; and that First National treats its customers and associates fairly because Mansell is honest. Therefore, both First National and First Western reflect his influence and his example of how to conduct oneself both in business and in private life.

CONTACT: Robert H. Young, vice president-finance, secretary and treasurer of First Western Bancorp, 412-652-8550

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#90219p2920 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Reliance Insurance Company today declared the regular quarterly dividend on its Series A preferred stock in the amount of $.67 per share, payable Oct. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Sept. 14, 1990. The shares are listed on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange (symbol RIC Pr A).

Headquartered in Philadelphia, Reliance Insurance Company, with its subsidiaries, is one of the nation's largest property and casualty stock insurance groups and is represented by more than 3,000 independent insurance agents in the United States.

Reliance Insurance is the largest subsidiary of Reliance Group Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: REL), headquartered in New York. Reliance Group Holdings has major property and casualty, life, title and mortgage insurance operations; engages in real estate development; provides consulting and technical services; and makes diversified investments. Reliance Group Holdings has assets of $10.6 billion and had 1989 revenues of $4.0 billion.

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#90219p2921 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
CARSON, CALIF. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Infiniti, the new luxury car division of Nissan Motor Corp. in USA, today was recognized as a leader in customer service on J.D. Power & Associates' "1990 Sales Satisfaction Index" (SSI), ranking second among all manufacturers.

Less than a year after entering the marketplace, Infiniti challenged the leader in the Index, Mercedes-Benz, scoring only two points fewer than the German automaker -- 143 to 145. The survey evaluates salesperson measure delivery activities and initial product quality.

"The ranking validates the effectiveness of what we call the 'Total Ownership Experience,' (TOE) which mandates excellence in product quality, sales environment and ongoing service," said William R. Bruce, vice president, general manager of Infiniti. "Our philosophy -- action not just words -- is to treat each customer as an honored guest and make customer service our highest priority."

Bruce added that to insure the support of the division philosophy, no dealership opens until its staff has graduated from the Infiniti National Training Center in Phoenix, Ariz., where the training focus is on pleasing the Infiniti customer.

Infiniti earned high ratings in all three components of sales satisfaction placing first on how the salesperson treats the customer and ranking among top industry leaders in initial product quality and how a product is delivered to the customer.

"The survey leaves no doubt that the program works," he said. "And, we take pride in the fact that Infiniti and its products, the Q45 sedan and M30 sport coupe, rank at the top with the acknowledged leader in the field Mercedes Benz."

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VALHALLA, NY (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - ComponentGuard, Inc. (NASDAQ: PLUG; warrants: PLUGW), a provider of name brand service plans on a wide range of electronics products, today announced third quarter and nine months results in light of a change in the company's method of recognizing revenue and expensing costs.

In its financial reporting prior to the third quarter, ComponentGuard has recognized revenues and expenses in full in the period they were received or incurred, and accrued an estimate for future claims. Under the newly adopted method of accounting, which will be retroactively applied to prior periods, net revenues and direct selling expenses are not recognized for the first 180 days after the sale of a warranty contract and are thereafter recognized during the subsequent 36 months using the straight line method. The period of recognition approximates the period that an extended warranty contract becomes and remains effective.

Under the new method of accounting, net revenues increased to $217,963 for the three months ended April 30, 1990 from $17,195 for the three months ended April 30, 1989, and to $412,723 for the nine months ended April 30, 1990 from $25,825 for the comparable year ago period. In addition, under this new method, all $1,730,816 of revenues from the sales of extended service contracts during the three months ended April 30, 1990 and substantially all of the $4,668,247 of such revenues for the nine months ended April 30, 1990, were deferred to future periods. At April 30, 1990, the company's financial statements included $5,687,712 of deferred revenues associated with extended service contracts and $740,987 of deferred costs associated with such contracts. These amounts will be recognized in future periods, along with the non- deferred expenses incurred in those periods.

In view of the costs associated with the expanded level of activities of the company, under the revised accounting method, the company reported a third quarter loss of $1,061,900 or $.05 per share, compared with a loss of $400,946, or $.02 per share, in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended April 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $2,006,143, or $.10 per share, as compared with a loss of $1,173,546, or $.06 per share, in the corresponding prior year period.

"The change in accounting method was prompted by comments from the Securities Exchange Commission when it reviewed the registration for the company's publicly traded stock purchase warrants earlier this year," said Robert P. Minnick, ComponentGuard president and chief executive officer. "The new method of revenue recognition was determined after discussion with the SEC as to the current status of generally accepted accounting principles applicable to the company's revenue generation. Similar restatements have also been announced by several of our competitors, suggesting an industry-wide move toward greater conservatism in treating revenue and profit recognition. This should, of course, result in diminished operating results in the near-term. Future periods will, however, be favorably affected by the company's current significant sales increases."

Minnick attributed the company's record nine-month growth in sales of extended warranty contracts to advertising efforts that have promoted ComponentGuard to both the consumer and the consumer electronics retailer as the only brand name extended service contract, and to the success of the Guardman program introduced at the end of fiscal 1989. Guardman has distinguished itself as the country's first packaged "off- the-shelf" extended service plan.

The company also announced that subsequent to the end of the reported quarter, the company sold to a Switzerland based investment fund, for an aggregate purchase price of $1,500,000, a $1,500,000 principal amount convertible subordinated note and a five-year warrant to purchase 3,000,000 shares of common stock of the company at an exercise price of $1.25 per share. The note is repayable on Dec. 31, 1990, without interest subject to automatic conversion into 3,000,000 shares of common stock of the company upon the amendment of the certificate of incorporation of the company to provide for sufficient authorized but unissued shares therefor.

COMPONENTGUARD, INC.
Statement of Operations Data (Unaudited)

Period Ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
April 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues from sales of extended serv. contacts	$1,730,816	$335,167	$4,668,247	$759,068
Less: deferred revenue	1,730,816	335,167	4,575,270	748,291
Current deferred revenue	--	--	92,977	10,677

Prior dfd. revenue earned	217,963	17,195	319,746	15,148
Net revenue	217,963	17,195	412,723	25,825
Net (loss)	(1,161,900)	(400,946)	(2,106,143)	(1,173,546)
Net (loss) per com. share	(.05)	(.02)	(.10)	(.06)
Wgt. avg. number of common shares outstanding	20,753,929	18,999,938	30,753,929	18,999,938

Balance Sheet Data (Unaudited)

	April 30, 1990
Cash	$ 504,367
Deferred costs associated with extended service contacts	$ 740,987
Total assets	5,384,313
Working capital	721,228
Deferred revenues associated with extended service contracts	5,687,712
Stockholders' equity	(2,359,208)
Total liabilities and Stockholders' equity	5,384,313

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ROCHESTER, NY (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Curtice Burns Foods (AMEX: CBI), a major food processor, today reported record sales of $926,879,000 for the fiscal year ending June 29, 1990, up 8.3 percent from the prior year. Net earnings of $11,601,000 or $1.37 per share including the cumulative effect of an accounting change declined 22 percent while net operating earnings of $7,351,000 or $.87 per share were off 50.6 percent from the prior year's record earnings of $14,873,000 or $1.78 per share.

"The abrupt drop in earnings at operating level after four consecutive years of sales and three years of earnings growth," said President David J. McDonald, "is a result of unusual growing conditions during the 1989 pack year in the Northeast where crops are produced for the company's largest product lines, frozen and canned vegetables. This caused a shortage of raw product that had a major impact on both sales and margins of these important product lines. This particularly impacted the last quarter of fiscal 1990.

"This situation, coupled with record raw material costs for the company's meat snack and aseptic businesses, added to the one-time expense entailed in a number of cost reduction and development programs, account for most of the earnings decline."

McDonald added, "These development activities include consolidations in

five plants and four administrative operations directed toward cost reductions and the costs of the introduction if several new products including, in the West, a line of microwaveable single serve entrees."

In the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, Curtice Burns declared a net loss of $910,000, or ($.11) per share, on sales of $224,762,000. This compared with prior year fourth quarter net income of $3,855,000 or $.46 per share, on sales of $236,024,000. The 1989 fourth quarter was comprised of 14 weeks compared with 13 weeks in 1990. On a 13-week basis, sales increased 2.6 percent for the period.

The year-to-year earnings decline was partially offset by a credit addition to net earnings of $4,250,000 or $.50 per share as a result of the company electing to comply with Financial Accounting Standard No. 96 "Accounting for Income Taxes." The principle effect of this accounting change adjusts deferred taxes to the current corporate tax rate. This adjustment is retroactively reflected in the first quarter of the fiscal year.

Rochester-based Curtice Burns Foods consists of 10 autonomously managed divisions, 60 plants and warehouses, and 6,000 employees located throughout the United States and Western Canada. The company is unique in the food industry with its strategic focus on regional brands and development and processing of custom packed foods for the retail grocery and food service industry.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Shiley Inc. announced today that it will launch a program to attempt to identify recipients of the Bjork- Shiley 60 degree Convexo-Concave (60 degree C/C) heart valve in an effort to establish a patient registry to facilitate the flow of medical information to these patients.

Shiley, a subsidiary of Pfizer Inc (NYSE: PFE), said it is in the process of developing this innovative, far-reaching program so that recipients of the valve, once identified, can more easily be provided with information about their prosthetic heart valves. The program will help promote patient awareness of the signs and symptoms of the serious or life-threatening complications associated with all mechanical valves, and the steps to be taken in the event emergency medical treatment is required. Wherever possible, the information will be provided through the patient's personal physician, although the program will also be

designed to provide information directly to patients if necessary.

Roger Sachs, M.D., vice president and medical director of Shiley Inc., said: "Shiley has frequently provided physicians with information about our heart valves, and did so again this March to a very large number of doctors and other health professionals. This enables physicians to provide their patients with appropriate information in a sensitive and timely way. We firmly believe this is the proper way to provide such information to patients.

"Recently, the Food and Drug Administration began to reevaluate ways to assure that important medical information is being obtained by patients. The agency is concerned that physicians may not always have transmitted the information they have or may not have done so in an effective manner. Shiley has closely followed FDA hearings on this issue. We are constantly seeking better ways to help patients using our products and have advocated the concept of patient registries for critical, implanted medical devices. We strongly prefer to enhance the flow of information between physician and patient, if this can be done, but in light of FDA's new concerns Shiley will utilize other ways of getting critical information directly to patients.

"Our intent with this program is to identify as many Shiley heart valve patients as we can and also identify their physicians. We will then encourage and, by providing helpful materials, facilitate an effective dialogue between patient and doctor. We will also explore alternative means to provide patients medically appropriate information, without the presence of a physician. In the latter case, any communication prepared by Shiley will be reviewed by FDA before being sent."

Sachs said today, "The FDA's concern and reevaluation as well as HRG's interest in enhanced patient communications were among the several important factors in our decision to attempt to develop a patient registry which could assist Shiley in our ongoing medical communication program and perhaps serve as a model for other critical devices. We expect the program will make it unnecessary for HRG to pursue further its petition with FDA."

Shiley said it would develop the details of the program over the next several weeks in coordination with FDA and expects to have the program fully operating in the United States in the fall.

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TORONTO (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Campeau Corporation today announced that The Edward J. DeBartolo Corporation (EJDC) has agreed to extend to Aug. 15 1990 a previously signed agreement whereby EJDC will not exercise remedies against certain collateral as a result of defaults arising under loan agreements with the corporation without first giving nine days notice to Campeau Corporation. The previously signed agreement expired Aug. 6. A similar agreement remains in effect with two subsidiaries of Olympia & York Developments Limited.

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WACO, TEXAS (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - ASK Corporation (NASDAQ: ASKC) ("ASK") and the Sheet Metal Workers' National Pension Fund ("NPF") announced pursuant to a meeting of the principals that negotiations concerning the letter of intent previously announced July 10, 1990 are proceeding on schedule and that an agreement in principle is expected to be reached within the near future for an infusion of $20 million by NPF and another institution.

As earlier reported, the capital infusion is to be structured as part debt and part equity. The funds are to be used primarily for acquisition of certain technology, equipment and equity of another company and for general corporate purposes.

The contemplated transaction will be subject to the approval of the ASK board of directors, the board of trustees of the National Pension Fund and the finalization of certain other items and conditions.

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MELBOURNE, FL (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) reported that net income for the fiscal year ended June 30 increased 13 percent to $130.7 million, compared with income from continuing operations of $116.2 million the previous year. Earnings per share were $3.30 on 39.6 million shares outstanding, compared with $3.00 per share on 38.7 million shares in fiscal 1989. Sales were $3.1 billion, compared with sales from continuing operations of $2.2 billion the year before. Both net income and sales established new records.

Fiscal 1990 included the first full year's operating results of Lanier Worldwide (formerly Harris/3M), which became a wholly owned Harris subsidiary effective April 28, 1989. It also included twelve-months operation of GE Solid State (GESS), compared with seven months the previous year. GESS was acquired on Nov. 30, 1988 and is now part of the Harris Semiconductor Sector.

Fourth-quarter net income increased 14 percent to $39.5 million or 99 cents per share, compared with income from continuing operations of $34.8 million or 90 cents the previous year. Sales were $807.6 million, compared with sales from continuing operations of $768.3 million in the previous fourth quarter.

Total orders from continuing operations were up for the year as a whole, although lower in the fourth quarter. While Semiconductor Sector orders increased substantially for the quarter, Communications Sector orders were down sharply, and Electronic Systems Sector orders also were down significantly compared with last year's strong fourth quarter. Backlog at year end was $1.1 billion, compared with $1.3 billion at the end of fiscal 1989.

HARRIS CORPORATION
1990 Fiscal Year and Fourth Quarter Summary
(Amounts in thousands except per share)

	Years Ended June 30		Quarters Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue				
Revenue from sales, rentals and services	$3,052,686	$2,213,649	$807,562	$768,268
Interest	45,848	25,458	11,804	8,637
Equity Income	--	15,339	--	1,149
	3,098,534	2,254,446	819,366	778,054
Costs and Expenses Cost of sales, rentals and services	1,974,889	1,483,944	506,473	523,118
Engineering, selling and administrative expenses	861,330	565,140	240,660	178,331
Interest	73,702	36,570	20,147	14,775
Other - net	(1,250)	1,633	(950)	9,623
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	189,863	167,159	53,036	52,207
Income taxes	59,172	50,994	13,500	17,421
Income from continuing operations	130,691	116,165	39,536	34,786
Discontinued operations				

net of income taxes	--	(94,849)	--	(86,779)
Net income	$ 130,691	$ 21,316	$ 39,536	$(51,993)
Income per share:				
Continuing operations	$3.30	$3.00	$.99	$ .90
Discontinued operations	--	(2.45)	--	(2.24)
Net income per share	$3.30	$ .55	$.99	$(1.34)
Average shares outstanding	39,559	38,743	40,058	38,725

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MOUNT VERNON, NY (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Micro Bio-Medics, Inc. (NASDAQ: MBMI) today announced that it has completed the acquisition of certain assets of Eastern Medical Supply, Inc. of Stamford, Conn., with sales in excess of $3 million for the last 12 months.

"The acquisition of Eastern Medical provides our Caligor Physician Supply Division with entry into the state of Connecticut, a new territory for the division. It is also in keeping with our strategy of moving away from lower margin hospital sales toward the higher margin physician supply market. With the integration of Eastern's 800 customers and four sales representatives into our Caligor Physician Supply Division, operated out of our Mount Vernon facility, we continue to expand our market share as the largest physician supply company in the New York Metropolitan area," commented Bruce J. Haber, president of Micro Bio-Medics.

Micro Bio-Medics, Inc., is a leading supplier of thousands of medical and pharmaceutical products to doctors in their offices, nursing homes, hospitals and government agencies. In addition, the company is the nation's largest distributor of sports medicine supplies to professional sports teams, schools and colleges.

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#90219p2939 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND CITY, FL (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert H. Gagne, president of Caribbean Select, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSEL, CSELU, CSELW) announced today that he has reached an agreement with a financial institution to provide the company with a $7 million secured revolving line of credit.

Commenting on this development, Gagne stated, "We are extremely pleased to announced this credit line, which demonstrates the lender's confidence in

the company's continued prospects for growth as well as the continued demand for Caribbean Select product."

Commenting on the company's business, Gagne stated, "We are very excited about the company's strong growth over the past year. During the first half of fiscal 1990, we successfully increased brand awareness and our network of bottlers and distributors. As we enter the second half of Fiscal 1990 our corporate strategy is to continue to expand into niche markets for our products, domestically and internationally, thereby resulting in increased revenues and profitability for Caribbean Select.

The company continues to feel confident with analysis projections of $50 million in sales and earnings of $.18 - $.22 per share.

Caribbean Select, Inc. produces and markets "Caribbean Select," a line of 100 percent fruit and vegetable juices. In November of 1989, Caribbean Select acquired "Allsun Pure Juice," a citrus processing and packaging plant located in Highland City, Fla.

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#90219p2942 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Corroon & Black Corporation (NYSE: CBL) announced today the appointment of Gary Sindler to the position of senior vice president, administration.

In his new post, Sindler will be responsible for a wide range of corporate administration, including professional development, facilities planning, real estate, corporate office administration, compensation, benefits, employee relations, and corporate communications.

His appointment was announced by Richard M. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer of Corroon & Black Corporation. In making the announcement, Miller commented: "As Corroon & Black has grown, we have needed additional expertise in the area of administration, and Gary's background has covered a broad range of duties. He comes to us well qualified for this important new role."

Sindler has 20 years of experience with another insurance brokerage firm, where he has served as controller, director of administrative operations, assistant to the president, and as an automation consultant.

Corroon & Black Corporation, headquartered in New York, is one of the world's largest full-service insurance intermediaries, providing insurance

brokerage, risk management services, reinsurance brokerage, and employee benefits, compensation, and actuarial consulting to individuals, local governments, professions, business and industry.

It has subsidiaries across the United States and affiliated offices throughout the world. The corporation was founded in 1905 in New York City.

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SAN ANTONIO, TX (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Diamond Shamrock, Inc. (NYSE: DRM) today approved the company's regular dividend of 12 cents per common share for the first quarter, payable Sept. 7 to shareholders of record on Aug. 17. This is the fourteenth consecutive quarterly dividend of the corporation.

Diamond Shamrock, Inc. is a regional refiner and marketer of petroleum products with annual sales of approximately $2.1 billion. The San Antonio-based corporation has two Texas refineries, markets gasoline and diesel through approximately 2,000 Diamond Shamrock branded stores, processes natural gas, and stores and markets natural gas liquids and petrochemicals.

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NEWTON, MASS. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Health and Rehabilitation Properties Trust (NYSE: HRP) today announced its results of operations for the quarter and six month period ended June 30, 1990.

Gross revenues for the June 30, 1990 quarter were $8,452,000. Net income and net income per share in this period were $3,525,000 and 22 cents per share, respectively. For the quarter ended June 30, 1989, gross revenues were $5,659,000 and net income was $1,859,000 or 19 cents per share.

Gross revenues for the six month period ended June 30, 1990 were $16,217,000. Net income and net income per share for the period were $7 million and 44 cents per share, respectively.

David J. Hegarty, treasurer of HRP, pointed out that management bases its dividend calculation on cash available from operations, defined as net income plus depreciation and amortization of prepaid interest costs, rather than net income. In the quarter ended June 30, 1990, HRP's cash

available from operations was $4,816,000 (30 cents per share). Cash available from operations for the quarter ended June 30, 1989 was $3,017,000 (30 cents per share). Average shares of beneficial interest outstanding for the quarters ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 were 15,997,500 and 9,997,500, respectively.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, cash available from operations was $9,557,000 (60 cents per share) as compared to $6,011,000 (60 cents per share) for the six months ended June 30, 1989. Average shares of beneficial interest outstanding for the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 were 15,997,500 and 9,997,500, respectively.

On July 17, 1990, HRP declared a dividend of 29 cents per share to shareholders of record at the close of business on July 30, 1990.

Health and Rehabilitation Properties Trust is a real estate investment trust headquartered in Newton, Mass. HRP has investments in 22 health care related real estate properties located in 12 states and operated by five separate operating companies.

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Trans World Airlines announced today that its July international load factor of 81.4 percent was the highest ever posted for a single month.

International load factor climbed 10 percent over the same period in 1989 and has risen 4.1 percent for the year. 503,700 passengers flew TWA's international routes in July compared to 473,000 last year.

The airline's domestic traffic also increased in June. Domestic load factor in July was 65.7 percent compared to 63.9 percent for the same period last year. TWA carried 1.904 million passengers last month compared to 1.898 million in 1989. Systemwide, TWA has carried .2 percent more revenue passenger miles on 1.5 percent fewer available seat miles for all of 1990.

TWA and its commuter affiliates serve more than 125 cities throughout North America, the Middle East and Africa.

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MOSCOW (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - As Moscow-McDonald's celebrated its first six months of operation on August 1, Soviets continue to line up for a taste of McDonald's food, bringing the total customers served past the 7 million mark, more than two-thirds the size of Moscow's population.

Besides being McDonald's busiest restaurant in the world, Moscow-McDonald's has become a place where many Muscovites and visitors come to socialize, enjoy themselves and even fall in love. It was love at first bite for newlyweds and Moscow-McDonald's employees Konstantin and Elena Voronin who became the first couple to get married after meeting at the restaurant, said Vladimir Malyshkov, chairman of Moscow-McDonald's.

Even a visiting American student from Vermont met his fiancee there, said George A. Cohon, vice chairman of Moscow-McDonald's. "I received a letter from this young man who said he and his fellow students had fun introducing their new Soviet friends to McDonald's food. He wrote that he and his Soviet fiancee will be married in two years after she finishes her degree in physics," said Cohon.

Moscow-McDonald's has taken on a unique life of its own, said Malyshkov. "More than providing food and service, our customers have come to view the restaurant as a special place where they can meet their old friends and make new ones."

A major reason for Moscow-McDonald's success is the hardworking and motivated crew, said Malyshkov. The restaurant has hired more Muscovites to help meet its incredible popularity. When the restaurant opened, Moscow-McDonald's employed 630 crew making it the largest McDonald's crew in the world. The restaurant now employs 1,150 crew members.

"We are delighted by Moscow-McDonald's success," said Cohon. "One of our greatest challenges here has been to produce the large volume of food to satisfy each one of our Soviet customers while continuing to meet the quality standards that our customers have come to expect from us worldwide. With the hard work of our Soviet crew, we have met this challenge. It's gratifying to see so many smiling Soviets enjoying their restaurant."

Moscow-McDonald's is a joint venture partnership between McDonald's Restaurants of Canada Limited and Mosrestaurantservice, the Food Service Administration of the Moscow City Council. The largest joint venture agreement ever made between a Canadian food company and the Soviet Union, the Moscow-McDonald's agreement calls for an initial 20 McDonald's restaurants as well as a 10,000-square-meter food production and distribution center which is now in operation.

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#90219p2958 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
TROY, MI (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Federal Bank (NYSE: SFB) continued its lead among residential mortgage lenders in southeastern Michigan for the month of May 1990.

According to Lawyer's Title Insurance Corporation, in the four-county area of Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Washtenaw, Standard Federal recorded 1,602 residential mortgage loans of $250,000 or less, for a total of $81,816,919.

"Our extensive network of branch offices and loan originators, combined with our on-line computer systems, helps us to maintain our competitive edge," stated Thomas R. Ricketts, chairman and president of Standard Federal. "As a result, Standard Federal continues to be one of the Midwest's leading home mortgage lenders."

Standard Federal Bank operates 113 branch offices throughout Michigan and Indiana and has been the leading home mortgage lender in Michigan for 13 of the last 16 years.

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#90219p2959 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Continuing to expand staff to accommodate annual card transaction growth of nearly 30 percent, Visa International today announced the appointment of Jeremy Danks as senior vice president and head of its Product Development Division.

In his new position, Danks, 49, will be responsible for the development and enhancement of Visa International products and services on a global basis.

The veteran marketing executive joins Visa following 14 years with American Express where most recently he headed product marketing and sales in Germany. He also has extensive experience in Japan and Italy.

Danks, a native of Sussex, England, who speaks five languages, becomes the fourth senior executive to join Visa International in recent months. He reports directly to Jean-Jacques Desbons, executive vice president and head of the International Consumer Products Group. Desbons, a leading French financier, joined Visa International in 1989 along with Executive Vice President H. Robert Heller, former governor of the Federal Reserve

Board, who is responsible for worldwide economic forecasting, government affairs and country and financial institution risk analysis.

"Mr. Danks' depth of experience in international marketing and product development will serve Visa well in its mission to become the predominant consumer payments system in the world," said Charles T. Russell, Visa International chief executive officer.

Visa, the world's largest card program, expects its transaction volume to increase from $259 billion to $1 trillion in the next several years as a result of strong international growth and penetration of new markets.

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#90219p2962 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Dow Chemical U.S. Area today recognized MCI Telecommunications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) as a qualified supplier in conjunction with Dow's Supplier Partnership Process.

Dow made the announcement at an award presentation held at MCI's Midwest Division Chicago headquarters.

Only one other company of Dow's computer and telecommunications suppliers has achieved this status to date. The announcement marks MCI's first time participating and earning recognition from a major corporate customer through a supplier partnership program.

"We look for a supplier's passion for quality and their willingness to continually improve," said Linn Brady, quality productivity manager for Dow's Computer Operations department.

"MCI's flexibility and commitment to quality enhance our own goals of setting the standard for quality within our industry," added Brady.

Dow is a diversified, worldwide manufacturer and supplier of more than 2,000 products, including chemicals and performance products, plastics, hydrocarbons and energy, and consumer specialities -- which include agricultural products, consumer products and pharmaceuticals. Headquartered in Midland, Mich., Dow operates 179 manufacturing sites in 31 countries, and employs 62,000 men and women around the world. In the 1989 Fortune 500 listing of America's largest companies, Dow ranked 21st in sales and sixth in profits.

MCI, with 1989 revenues of $6.5 billion, is the world's second-largest long distance company. Headquartered in Washington, it provides a full range of global telecommunications services, including voice, data, telex

and electronic messaging services to businesses, consumers and government agencies.

MCI Midwest is an operating division of MCI Telecommunications Corporation serving Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin.

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PALM COAST, FL (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Cardiac Control Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: CCSC) ("CCS") announced today that it has executed a license agreement with Intermedics, Inc. ("ITM") granting ITM a worldwide license covering technology relating to CCS' Maestros (R) SAVVI (TM) single-pass atrial rate-response ventricular pacing ("VDD") system, and an agreement providing for CCS to supply its single-pass A-Track (TM) leads to ITM at a specified price for a period of three years.

Pursuant to the agreements, CCS will receive upfront payments from ITM aggregating up to $1.5 million. In addition, future royalties could be $7 million under certain circumstances.

The Maestro SAVVI is a truly rate-responsive pacing system that uses a single lead to achieve the hemodynamic benefits of atrio-ventricular synchrony in patients who have conduction block and a healthy sino-atrial ("S-A") node. The S-A node is the heart's natural pacemaker, located in the right atrium (upper chamber) of the heart. Normally, the impulses generated by the S-A node are carried by the heart's specialized conduction pathways to the ventricles (lower, pumping chambers). In patients whose conduction pathways are blocked, the heart's pumping rate may be too slow to sustain normal activity. The SAVVI system uses a unique single A-Track lead, which acts like a conventional ventricular pacing lead but also incorporates sophisticated sensors that float freely in the blood pool of the right atrium. The SAVVI pacemaker uses these floating atrial sensors to track the natural rhythm of the healthy S-A node, and paces the right ventricle in response. This provides changes in heart rate required to meet the patient's varying needs. Previously, this could only be accomplished by implanting two leads in the heart wall. The dual-lead approach necessitates longer surgical time and exposes the patient to potentially greater risk.

After three years of clinical evaluation, the Maestro SAVVI model 305 VDD pacing system received a unanimous recommendation for commercial release at a recent meeting of the Circulatory System Devices Advisory Panel to the United States Food and Drug Administration ("FDA"). Final FDA approval for open marketing of the system is expected shortly. At that

time, the SAVVI system will be the only commercially available system in the U.S. to employ this advanced single-lead sensing technology.

Intermedics, Inc., located in Angleton, Texas, is the third largest pacemaker manufacturer in the world. In addition to its pacemaker operations, Intermedics also designs, develops and manufactures mechanical heart valves, orthopedic prostheses, and dental implants. Acquired by Sulzer Brothers Limited in 1988, Intermedics is now part of the Swiss firm's medical devices group, SULZERmedica.

Cardiac Control Systems, Inc. headquartered in Palm Coast, Fla., develops, manufactures and markets implantable cardiac pacing systems.

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ST. PETERSBURG, FL (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Geonex Corporation (NASDAQ: GEOX) reported today revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1990 increased 62 percent to $11,575,000 from $7,152,000 for the second fiscal quarter of the previous year. Year-to-date revenue for the nine month period ending June 30, 1990 rose 53 perent to $30,032,000 from $19,621,000 during the corresponding period of the previous year. Revenue from its existing client base was up 22 percent coupled with strong new sales from recent acquisitions and international operations.

Net income in the third quarter of fiscal 1990 was $505,000 or $.15 per share compared to net income of $413,000 or $.12 per share as reported for the third quarter of fiscal 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 was $1,191,000 or $.35 per share as compared to $995,000 or $.29 per share for the same period last year.

Gross profit and operating profit percentages to revenue, have remained relatively stable as compared to prior year. This was attributable to expenditures in acquisition integration, national marketing effort and international start-up activity.

On May 1, Geonex acquired the Story Group of companies located in London, England. The Story Group is a 50 year old firm with 90 employees specializing in land surveying, aerial surveying, architectural surveying, detection and surveying of underground services, cartography and reprographics. This acquisition is in line with the Geonex goal of pursuing complementary opportunities in the international market.

Geonex continues to maintain a strong position with respect to cash and

short term investments and shareholders equity; $4.9 million and $13.5 million respectively at the end of the third quarter.

Long term debt, exclusive of real estate loans, has increased by $4.8 million, while the total asset base has increased by $16.4 million. The increase in long term debt since September 1990 resulted from loans for acquisition and capital expenditure activity this year.

Based on assignments of $55,000,000 at the end of the third quarter, Geonex believes it can maintain planned growth in revenues and profits for the remainder of fiscal 1990, and beyond.

Geonex Corporation, based in St. Petersburg, Fla. is the nation's largest geo-information company. Using the most advanced technology, Geonex provides mapping, and resource interpretation services to telephone, electric and gas utilities, local, state and federal government agencies and a variety of commercial industries. Geonex has overall competence in mapping for agriculture and forestry as well as oil, gas, and mineral exploration. In the environmental and waste area, Geonex provides analysis and testing services and hazardous waste investigation services.

GEONEX CORPORATION

Comparative Three Month Data:	Q3 FY90	Q3 FY89
Revenue	11,575,000	7,152,000
Gross Profit	3,982,000	2,503,000
Operating Profit	1,034,000	815,000
Net Income	505,000	413,000
Earnings Per Share	$ .15	$ .12
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	3,443,000	3,422,000
Comparative Nine Month Data:	Q1/Q2/Q3 FY 90	Q1/Q2/Q3 FY 89
Revenue	30,032,000	19,621,000
Gross Profit	9,998,000	6,585,000
Operating Profit	2,612,000	1,957,000
Net Income	1,191,000	995,000
Earnings Per Share	$ .35	$ .29
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	3,451,000	3,381,000

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Rockefeller Center Properties, Inc. (RCPI) (NYSE: RCP) announced today net income for the second quarter of 1990 of $8,818,000, or 23 cents per share, on revenues of $30,269,000. For the same period in 1989, the company reported net income of $10,648,000,

or 28 cents per share, on revenues of $31,489,000. The results for the second quarter of 1990 include an extraordinary loss of $461,000, or 1 cent per share, resulting from the repurchase of convertible debentures at a premium.

Income before extraordinary item for the second quarter of 1990 was $9,279,000, or 24 cents per share, compared to 28 cents per share for the same period in 1989. RCPI stated that the difference of $1,369,000, or 4 cents per share, includes a charge of $828,000, or 2 cents per share, in connection with an unanticipated early redemption of a AAA- rated bond, collateralized by government-guaranteed securities. This non-cash charge did not result in any loss of principal, and will not impact RCPI's cash position. RCPI further stated that the balance of the decrease in earnings before extraordinary item was anticipated and is reflective of its capital structure.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Nash Finch Company (NASDAQ: NAFC) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 17 cents per share of common stock.

The dividend is payable Sept. 7, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 24, 1990. It is the company's 256th consecutive quarterly cash dividend.

There are 10,870,366 shares of common stock outstanding.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Whitman Corp. (NYSE: WH) announced today that the president and CEO of its food subsidiary, Pet Incorporated, J. Robert Copper, has resigned his position with the company. The resignation is effective immediately.

Miles L. Marsh, while continuing as president and chief operating officer of Whitman Corp., will assume day-to-day responsibility for the management of Pet until a successor for Copper is appointed.

James W. Cozad, chairman and CEO of Whitman, said, "Pet is our largest company and the center of our food and soft-drink strategy. Its brands are

leaders in their markets. We have added substantially to Pet in recent years through acquisitions. We remain fully committed to applying all the resources necessary to continue Pet's growth and profitability."

Whitman's operating companies are Pet Incorporated, Pepsi-Cola General Bottlers, Midas International, and Hussmann Corp.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Occupational-Urgent care Health Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: OUCH) today announced second quarter 1990 results. Revenue was $5,392,000 up 19 percent from the second quarter of last year. Net income was $783,000 or 8 cents per share, compared to $977,000 (10 cents per share) in the same period of 1989.

"Revenue was about in line with our expectations. The record revenue was achieved in part from the addition of several small customers during the quarter," stated W. Robert Keen, OUCH president. "System training and operating expense has been higher than expected and is reflected in this quarter's results. Other conversion costs have been generally within budget. The system is now demonstrating the efficiency and flexibility we promised. We are fully operational in our Sacramento, Los Angeles, and Texas sites and expect to process directly in a customer's office this quarter.

Current sales efforts have continued to add small and medium size customers during the third quarter. The OUCH and EDS marketing teams have now begun presenting new capabilities to all exisiting and prospective customers. The investments we have made in systems, marketing and customer service enable us to add substantial new business and improve customer response during the second half of 1990 and beyond."

OUCH offers medical and administrative cost containment services to insurance carriers, third party administrators and employers. The company is headquartered in Sacramento.

Below is a summary of OUCH's unaudited results:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$5,392,009	$4,522,844	$10,129,395	$8,740,456
Income before income taxes	$1,303,946	$1,628,911	$2,626,350	$2,917,861
Income tax provision	(521,000)	(652,000)	(1,050,000)	(1,168,000)

Net income	$782,946	$976,911	$1,576,350	$1,749,861
Earnings per share:				
Net income	$.08	$.10	$.16	$.18
Shares used in per share calculations	10,169,000	9,818,000	10,124,000	9,730,000

CONTACT: W. Robert Keen of Occupational-Urgent Care Health Systems Inc., 916-924-5200.

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#90219p2982 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Clifton H. Morris Jr., chairman and CEO of URCARCO, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CARS) today announced net income for the year ended June 30, 1990, of $15.8 million or 68 cents per share as compared to $2.9 million or 20 cents per share for the year ended June 30, 1989. Earnings per share increased 240 percent. Sales for the year increased 292 percent from $38.4 million to $150.4 million.

For the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, sales were $51.0 million versus $20.3 million, an increase of 151 percent over the same period in 1989. Net income for the quarter was $5.7 million, as compared with $2.1 million for the fourth quarter last year, up 180 percent. Earnings per share for the quarter were 21 cents, as compared with 12 cents for the same period last year, a 75 percent increase.

Morris also noted that results for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990 increased as compared to the third quarter 1990. Sales were up 16 percent over the third quarter figure of $43.9 million. Net income increased 19 percent over the previous quarter's $4.8 million and earnings per share were up 17 percent from the third quarter's 18 cents.

URCARCO sold 18,692 cars during the year, as compared with 6,500 units the previous year, Morris added, and the company is now operating 17 retail facilities.

URCARCO, Inc. operates a chain of "we finance" used car retail lots in Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston and Austin, Texas, selling quality used cars and light trucks and typically financing customer purchases.

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DENVER (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Express, the third largest

carrier from Stapleton Airport, announced today record breaking boardings of 100,000 passengers for the month of July. This represents the largest number of customers carried in a single month for the airline and a 32 percent increase over July, 1990. Throughout the summer season, the airline's traffic has steadily increased by an average of 18 percent each month.

Don Smith, president of the Western Region of Continental Express, said, "We are pleased to see the increased demand for travel to our destinations during the summer season. This record breaking month surpasses previous winter months, our typical peak season. It is gratifying to us that the improvements we have made, both in the introduction of new equipment and increased frequency, have resulted in market share gains and traffic growth. Clearly, Continental Express is the dominant regional airline serving Denver."

Continental Express, in 1990, expects to board nearly one million passengers in its Denver hub system, representing a 25 percent gain over 1989. The airline has experienced this strong growth with the successful introduction of service to four new cities, and additional seat capacity in response to significantly greater customer demand. The new cities include Gillette and Sheridan, Wyoming; Farmington, N.M., and Lubbock, Texas. The airline plans to begin serving Ft. Collins/Loveland, Colo. this fall.

In October, the airline's Denver operation will celebrate its fourth anniversary as a Continental Express carrier. The airline's route system has grown from 12 cities in three states in 1986, to its present route system of 26 cities in six states. Between 1986 and 1989, passenger traffic increased nearly 180 percent. Continental Express currently operates more than 100 daily departures from Denver's Stapleton Airport and connects approximately 65 percent of its customers to Continental Airlines.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Today, Kansas City Power & Light Co. (NYSE: KLT) announced that it's board of directors has increased the indicated annual level of dividends from $2.56 to $2.68 by declaring a quarterly dividend of 67 cents per share on its common stock, payable Sept. 20, 1990, to stockholders of record on Aug. 29, 1990. In addition, the board of directors declared regular dividends on the preferred stock, payable Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 9, 1990.

Kansas City Power & Light's second quarter earnings per average common

share were 66 cents, the company reported. Last year's second quarter earnings were 65 cents per share. Earnings per average common share for the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, increased to $3.19 from $2.86 for the like period a year ago. "The earnings for the most recent three month period reflect a surge of warmer weather near the end of the period but were offset by a portion of the costs associated with the Wolf Creek refueling outage which was completed May 16, 1990," explained Bernard J. Beaudoin, KCPL's vice president-finance and chief financial officer.

Second quarter operating revenues were $189.8 million, compared to $176.8 million for the like period a year ago. For the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were up 2.4 percent to $744.8 million from $727.6 million a year earlier.

KWH sales increased 5.5 percent for the quarter. KWH sales increased 1.8 percent for the 12 month period.

Second quarter 1990 net income was $21.9 million compared to $21.6 million for the like period a year ago. Net income for 12 months totaled $105.1 million, compared to $95.1 million during the previous 12 month period.

Kansas City Power & Light provides electric service to about 408,000 customers in a 4,700 square mile area in eastern Kansas and western Missouri, including metropolitan Kansas City.

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#90219p2987 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Rand V. Araskog, chairman and chief executive of ITT Corporation (NYSE: ITT), announced today that Dale Comey, executive vice president, has been assigned responsibility for two additional major business areas of the corporation. In addition to his present responsibilities, Comey will now also direct ITT Electronic Components and ITT Fluid Technology, each billion-dollar engineering, manufacturing and sales organizations with plants in the United States, Europe and Asia.

Comey will continue to be responsible for ITT Rayonier, a major forest products operation; and ITT Communications Operations and Information Services Group (COINS), the largest yellow pages directory producer outside the United States and the operator of nearly 40 technical schools in this country. He is a member of the ITT management policy committee and a director of ITT Hartford, the ninth largest property and casualty insurance company in the United States.

As a result of the change, reporting to Comey will be Heinz F. Roessle, ITT senior vice president and president, ITT Electronic Components; Raymond J. Gill, ITT senior vice president and president, ITT Fluid Technology; and L. Wayne Oliver, ITT vice president and group general manager -- Electromechanical Components worldwide. All previously reported to DeRoy C. Thomas, ITT president and chief operating officer. Continuing to report to Comey are Ronald M. Gross, president, ITT Rayonier and Daniel P. Weadock, ITT executive vice president and president, ITT COINS. Comey reports to Thomas.

"Dale has an impressive record of managerial and professional achievements. His performance since joining the ITT headquarters management team has indicated to us that he is now in a position to absorb the additional responsibility for more of our key worldwide businesses," Araskog said.

"This confidence in Dale is shared by Pete Thomas and the board of directors," Araskog added.

ITT Electronic Components operations are major manufacturers of integrated circuits, electronic interconnect systems and switches. Its products can be found in a vast array of electronic applications -- from aerospace and defense to automotive, consumer and commercial products.

Operating in more than 80 countries, ITT Fluid Technology is a world-class supplier of pumps and accessories for heating and cooling systems, valves, heat exchangers and instruments.

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#90219p2992 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH WILKESBORO, NC (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Lowe's Companies, Inc. (NYSE: LOW) announced its July sales totaled $299.5 million, a 6 percent increase from July of 1989. Sales to retail customers increased 9 percent and sales to contractors increased 1 percent.

The table below presents sales comparisons and trends:

5 Weeks Ended:		August 3, 1990		August 4, 1989	
	Pct Change	Total Sales (000,000)	Pct of Total	Total Sales (000,000)	Pct of Total
Retail Sales	+ 9	$194.6	65	$178.2	63
Contractor Sales	+ 1	$104.9	35	$103.8	37
Total Sales	+ 6	$299.5	100	$282.0	100
Comparable Stores(a) (277)	-	$265.5	89	$265.1	94

New Projects(b) (30) +125	$ 34.0	11	$ 15.1	5
Closed Stores(c)			$ 1.8	1
Total Stores (307)	$299.5	100	$282.0	100

(a) Stores open more than one year on July 1 with comparable square footage.
(b) Stores open less than one year and stores which have been retrofitted or relocated within the past twelve months. (c) 4 stores closed through July 1990.

A new contractor yard opened in Durham, North Carolina during the month. Relocated stores in Summersville, West Virginia, Athens, Georgia, and Sumter, South Carolina opened in July. Remerchandising projects in six stores were completed.

Lowe's now operates 307 stores in 20 states, in the South Atlantic and South Central regions of the United States. Lowe's is a specialty retailer pursuing three businesses in our stores: the home center do-it-yourself business, the consumer durables business, and the building contractor business.

Lowe's monthly sales results are based on four-week, four-week, and five-week reporting periods. Lowe's quarterly news release on sales and earnings will continue to reflect precise totals.

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#90219p2993 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
WEST CHESTER, PA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Roy F. Weston Inc. (NASDAQ: WSTNA) (WESTON) said today it is pleased to announce that Michael E. Herron has joined the company as Corporate Communications director in the Marketing Division.

Herron has more than 20 years of experience in marketing communications and investor relations. He has held communications management positions with SEPTA, The Insurance Company of North America, The Insurance Federation of Pennsylvania, RCA and The Rouse Co.

"Mike's breadth of experience in public relations, advertising and investor relations will be a strong asset to WESTON as it continues on a strong growth pattern in this decade of the environment," said Executive Vice President of Marketing Thomas J. Tuffey, Ph.D.

Herron has been recognized by his peers with professional awards from the

Public Relations Society of America and the International Association of Business Communicators. He is listed in "Who's Who in Advertising in America."

He earned his undergraduate degree in English from St. Joseph's University and a master's degree in communications from Temple University.

Herron resides in Cinnaminson, N.J., with his family. He may be contacted at Roy F. Weston Inc., One Weston Way, West Chester, Pa., 19380, phone 215-344-3442.

WESTON is a recognized leader in the environmental engineering, design and consulting industry. As a full-service environmental and health and safety firm, WESTON provides nationwide analytical laboratory services, consulting and engineering, remediation, facility construction and operations, technical information management and major program management services.

WESTON's clients include many Fortune 500 companies and most major cities in the country. The company is a principal provider of services to the U.S. Department of Defense and the Department of Energy.

WESTON is headquartered in West Chester, and operates a network of four analytical laboratories and 44 offices, including Los Angeles, Houston, Chicago, Atlanta, Boston, New York and Washington, D.C.

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#90219p2995 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK (N.J. AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines announced today it will begin daily service to Atlanta from Newark International Airport beginning Sept. 5.

"Our research indicated a growing business link between corporations in the New York metropolitan area and the Atlanta market," said Continental City vice president Richard Lisser, who oversees Newark operations for the carrier. "As part of our continuing goal to meet the needs of the business traveler in this region, we determined an Atlanta link was a key element in this program."

Continental will operate four daily round-trip flights which will depart Newark each day at 7:50 a.m., 11:25 a.m., 3 p.m. and 5:10 p.m. Northbound flights will depart Atlanta at 7:05 a.m., noon, 2:15 p.m. and 5:55 p.m. The airline has chosen Boeing 737 and 727 aircraft to service the route.

With the announcement of service to Atlanta, Continental and Continental Express now service 65 destinations from Newark.

The new service announcement comes on the heels of the airline's recent filing of several additional route applications with the U.S. Department of Transportation for expand international service from Newark. Continental, over the past few weeks, has sought permission to fly non-stop from Newark to Moscow, Berlin, Rome, Milan and Madrid.

Continental Airlines is Newark International Airport's largest carrier, moving more than 10 million passengers through its Terminal C on 303 daily jet and commuter flights. The company employs more than 6,000 workers in New Jersey and 37,000 systemswide.

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Kellwood Company (NYSE: KWD) held its 29th annual shareowners meeting today in St. Louis.

Shareowners approved the directors standing for reelection and the incentive stock plan proposal.

Kellwood, a Fortune 500 company, is an international manufacturer and marketer of apparel, home fashions and camping soft goods.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Quaker Oats Co. (NYSE: OAT) today reported that earnings per share for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 were $2.15 compared to $2.56 last year. Net income for fiscal 1990 was $169 million compared to $203 million last year. Earnings per share from continuing operations (excluding Fisher-Price) were $2.93 versus $1.88 a year ago. Fisher-Price was classified as a discontinued operation following the company's April 24, 1990 announcement that it plans a tax-free distribution of Fisher-Price to Quaker shareholders.

William D. Smithburg, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Fiscal 1990 results were below expectations after several years of outstanding performance. Excluding restructuring charges and credits taken in both fiscal 1990 and 1989, earnings per share for our ongoing businesses would have been $2.75 compared to $2.88 a year ago. The company's operational

streamlining over the last year, combined with our renewed focus as a pure food company, will help us regain the earnings momentum established during the 1980s."

Sales from continuing operations were $5.03 billion, or 3 percent higher than last year's $4.88 billion. Operating income from continuing operations was $544.2 million compared to $349.6 million last year. Excluding restructuring charges and credits in both years, operating income from continuing operations would have been $526.7 million in fiscal 1990, or 11 percent higher than the $473.9 million of a year ago.

Smithburg added, "In our U.S. grocery products business, intense competition in cereals and pet foods, along with unfavorably cool weather conditions for Gatorade early in the fiscal year, and the sudden decline in demand for oat bran products, all combined to produce results below expectations even though operating income was up for the year.

"International grocery products achieved record sales and operating income even before a credit of $17.5 million (18 cents per share) for the reversal of most of a $20.7 million (20 cents per share) restructuring charge taken in fiscal 1989 for a then-planned pet food manufacturing consolidation. International's substantial operating income improvement, excluding restructuring charges and credits in both years, was offset by higher financing costs, especially in Brazil.

"We expect fiscal 1991 to be a good year," said Smithburg. "However, earnings from continuing operations for the first fiscal quarter, which ends Sept. 30, 1990, are expected to be lower than the 49 cents per share earned in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. This is primarily due to planned increases in marketing support of key products, especially the expansion of Gatorade in Europe."

Fourth-Quarter Results For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, earnings per share from continuing operations were $1.31 compared to 52 cents a year ago. Excluding the effect of significant restructuring charges and credits for both years, earnings per share would have been $1.13, or 14 percent below the $1.32 last year. Sales of $1.41 billion were 4 percent above a year ago, due to gains in international grocery products. Operating income from continuing operations in fiscal 1990 was $200.5 million compared to $92.1 million last year. Excluding restructuring charges and credits in both years, operating income would have been $183 million in fiscal 1990, or 6 percent below the $195.7 million of a year ago, as lower results from U.S. and Canadian grocery products more than offset improved performance from international grocery products.

Quaker is an international marketer of foods and pet foods.

THE QUAKER OATS CO. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Condensed Statements of Consolidated Income and Reinvested Earnings
(Unaudited -- Millions of dollars except per share data)

Periods ended	Three Months		Twelve Months	
June 30(A);	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,410.5	$1,359.2	$5,030.6	$4,879.4
Cost of goods sold	756.8	739.7	2,685.9	2,655.3
Gross profit	653.7	619.5	2,344.7	2,224.1
Selling, general & administrative exp.	476.6	430.7	1,844.1	1,779.0
Interest expense-net	19.4	15.4	101.8	56.4
Other expense-net	(15.2)	111.6	16.4	149.6
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	172.9	61.8	382.4	239.1
Provision for income taxes	72.2	21.0	153.5	90.2
Income from continuing operations	100.7	40.8	228.9	148.9
Income/(loss) from discontinued operations	(34.4)	15.7	(59.9)	54.1
Net income	66.3	56.5	169.0	203.0
Preferred dividends -- net of tax	1.1	--	4.5	--
Net income available for common	$65.2	$56.5	$164.5	$203.0
Per Common Share: Income from continuing operations	$1.31	$0.52	$ 2.93	$ 1.88
Income/(loss) -- discontinued operations -- net of tax	(0.45)	0.19	(0.78)	0.68
Net income	$0.86	$ 0.71	$ 2.15	$ 2.56
Dividends declared	$ 0.35	$ 0.30	$ 1.40	$ 1.20
Average number of common shares outstanding (in thousands)	75,525	79,262	76,537	79,307

(A) -- All periods presented exclude the results of the Fisher-Price segment, which was discontinued effective March 31, 1990. Previously reported results have been restated.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - California Federal Bank, FSB, announced today that it will acquire approximately $265 million in deposits from Empire Federal Savings Bank of America, Buffalo, N.Y., effective Sept. 7, 1990. The transaction, which is subject to regulatory approval, involves Empire's 13 California branches.

Three Empire offices, located in Santa Monica, Monterey Park and Woodland Hills, will be purchased and operated by California Federal. Deposits at the other 10 Empire offices will be consolidated into nearby California Federal offices. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

"This transaction presents Cal Fed with an excellent low cost opportunity to expand its customer base in the bank's largest market, Southern California," said William L. Callender, California Federal president and chief executive officer.

The branch offices to be acquired by California Federal are located at 1811 Wilshire Blvd., Santa Monica, 126 S. Atlantic Blvd., Monterey Park, and 21945 Erwin St., Woodland Hills.

The other 10 Southern California Empire branches whose deposits are included in the transaction are located in Westlake Village, Encino, Hacienda Heights, Bellflower, Seal Beach, Fountain Valley, Costa Mesa, Irvine, Upland and Laguna Hills.

Upon completion of the purchase, California Federal will have 141 branches in California with 107 in Southern California.

Empire customers will have access to California Federal's full line of consumer banking services, including checking accounts, certificates of deposits, individual retirement accounts, annuities and California Federal's newest service, its Automatic Saving and Planning (ASAP) Account.

California Federal Bank, with more than $23 billion in assets, is the nation's fourth largest savings institution and the principal subsidiary of Los Angeles-based CalFed Inc. (NYSE: CAL). California Federal Bank has 200 offices in California, Florida, Nevada, Georgia and Arizona and provides customers 24-hour access to their funds through over 40,000 ATMs nationwide as a member of the CIRRUS, Star and Plus ATM networks.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Noting that crude oil prices have increased more than 50 percent since early July while average retail gasoline prices have risen less than 20 percent, the president of Texaco Refining and Marketing Inc. told a congressional committee today that refiners are not yet recovering in the marketplace a significant portion of the crude oil cost increases they have incurred since tensions between Iraq and Kuwait began.

"Prior unrecovered cost increases have been in the system since early July when crude prices, then at $17 per barrel, started to increase in anticipation of the OPEC price meeting," said Glenn F. Tilton of Texaco, testifying before the House Subcommittee on Energy and Power. "The average retail price of regular unleaded gasoline across the United States in early July was about $1.05 per gallon. Since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 1, the price per barrel of crude had risen to $28.05 by Monday, Aug. 6, an increase of about $11 per barrel over the early July price. Meanwhile, Texaco's delivered price for gasoline to resellers has increased on an average of only about 8 cents per gallon during the same period."

Recognizing widespread public confusion about the reasons for mounting gasoline prices at the pump, Tilton stated, "crude oil and petroleum products are commodities whose wholesale prices are determined by commodity markets.

"The rising price of oil and product has an instantaneous effect on the market because the purchase price is, in a substantial number of cases, set on the day of delivery," added Tilton.

"So the load of oil or product shipped from the Persian Gulf several weeks ago and arriving at a U.S. port today is most often paid for at today's market price, not the price in force 45 days ago or more. Also, much of the inventory reported to have been available was on ships at sea and, as yet, unpriced."

Focusing on the reasons behind recent increases in prices of oil and refined products, Tilton noted that supply and demand in the commodity markets is heavily influenced by anticipation.

"Iraqi pressures on OPEC pricing meetings, followed by the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq and the embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude oil threaten to reduce oil supplies," he said. "These events have led to increased crude oil and product prices on world commodity markets. These increases, of course, are passed along through the various channels of distribution to the retail level in the competitive marketplace."

Since more than 50 percent of U.S. crude oil needs, as well as a significant portion of its refined product supplies, must currently be imported, any refiner or marketer committed to keeping its customers fully supplied with product must be willing to pay prevailing world prices for raw materials and refined products, according to Tilton.

The Texaco executive noted that his company produces about 830,000 barrels a day of crude oil and liquids, while it refines 1.44 million barrels a day and sells 2.12 million barrels of product a day. "In other words, 60

percent of what Texaco sells is purchased on the open market at prevailing prices," he added.

More than 90 percent of Texaco's roughly 16,000 branded retail outlets are owned by independent businessmen, according to Tilton. "Independent businessmen who operate at the retail level set their own prices and may increase the price of product sold now in order to generate sufficient resources to cover the higher cost of replacement product."

Tilton, pointing to the same competitive market forces that were at work during last winter's dramatic increase in the cost of home-heating oil, noted that industry critics contended at the time that oil companies were "price-gouging and taking advantage of the situation," despite the fact that market forces were "indeed at work, causing prices to rise." A recently released report by the U.S. Energy Information Agency, which was congressionally requested, confirmed the competitive market force explanation and analysis provided by the industry: that the market, in December 1989, was driven by natural forces in response to extraordinarily cold weather, and not by any sort of collusion or gouging.

Tilton said that Texaco, in line with its "Guiding Principles," strives for the delivery to consumers of products of "proven high quality at fair prices" and to serve customers in such a manner as to earn their continuing respect, confidence and loyalty -- both before and after the sale."

Following these long-established, fundamental principles, Tilton said, Texaco will use its best efforts to keep its customers supplied with petroleum products in those difficult circumstances. He vowed that Texaco would price its products fairly, noting that "prices must include the increased cost of crude oil and product purchased from third parties to provide the funds necessary to obtain replacement supplies of crude oil and product to run our business on an ongoing basis."

As a fully integrated international oil and gas company, "Texaco's exploration, producing, refinery, marketing and transportation efforts are dedicated to finding, producing, acquiring and supplying crude oil and refined products throughout the world to supply our customers," Tilton stressed. He added, "Experience has shown that competitive market forces provide the best and most effective system of supplying energy markets." He warned that government intervention in the form of price controls and allocation systems, such as those which existed during the 1970s, created costly supply disruptions and shortages.

"With government and industry working together in a free-market setting," Tilton concluded, "we will have the best prospects for meeting our country's energy needs during this period of supply disruption."

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HERSHEY, Pa. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Hershey Foods Corp. (NYSE: HSY) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.225 on the common stock, an increase of 15.4 percent, or $.03 per share.

In addition, the board declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.2025 on the Class B common stock, an increase of 15.7 percent or $.0275 per share. The dividends are payable Sept. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record Aug. 24. It is the 243rd consecutive regular dividend and 16th consecutive annual increase on the corporation's common stock and the 24th consecutive regular dividend and sixth consecutive annual increase on the Class B common stock.

In addition, the board today declared a one-time special dividend of $.15 per share on the common stock and $.135 on the Class B common stock. The special dividends are a result of the one-time gain realized on the corporation's previously announced sale of its investment in AB Marabou. The special dividends are also payable on Sept. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record Aug. 24.

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MOONACHIE, NJ (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Vader Group Inc. (AMEX: VDR) today reported net income (applicable to common shares) of $55,317 (or 2 cents per share) during the third quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $159,275 (or 8 cents per share) for the same period last year.

For the first nine months of the September 1990 fiscal year, Vader had net income (applicable to common shares) of $58,800 (or 3 cents per share) compared to a net loss of $251,233 (or 12 cents per share) the previous year.

THE VADER GROUP INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

	Quarter		Nine Months	
Periods ended June 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Interest & other income	$143,731	$59,815	$424,922	$219,141

Gain on sales of marketable securities	(8,492)	32,282	4,437	67,502
Total	135,239	92,097	429,359	286,643
Expenses:				
General & administrative	(96,942)	(177,596)	(379,121)	(344,771)
Interest	--	(69)	--	(25,514)
Pretax income (loss)	38,297	(85,569)	50,238	(83,642)
Income tax (expense) benefit	(8,500)	12,300	(11,000)	12,300
Income (loss) from continuing operations	29,797	(73,268)	39,238	(71,342)
Discontinued operations net of tax	(1,914)	(4,544)	21,124	38,999
Income (loss) before extraordinary items	27,883	77,812	60,362	(32,343)
Extraordinary item, utilization of loss carryforward	8,500	(8,500)	17,500	--
Net income (loss)	36,383	(86,312)	77,862	(32,343)
Common stock accretion attributable to put options	18,934	(72,963)	(19,062)	(218,890)
Net income (loss) applicable to common stock	55,317	159,275	58,800	251,233
Earnings (loss) per share:				
Continuing operations	$.01	($.04)	$.02	$.04
Common stock accretion	.01	(.04)	(.01)	(.10)
Net continuing operations	.02	(.08)	.01	(.14)
Discontinued operations	--	--	.01	.02
Extraordinary item	--	--	.01	--
Net income (loss) applicable to common shares	$.02	($.08)	$.03	($.12)
Weighted average shares	2,263,279	2,094,821	2,263,279	2,093,141

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeles Corp. (AMEX: ANG) announced that Brian E. Petersen has joined the company as executive vice president of property management. He is responsible for management and leasing of the $1.7 billion real estate portfolio controlled by Angeles which includes approximately 10.8 million square feet of commercial and industrial space and more than 16,000 residential units.

Petersen has 12 years of property management experience. He was previously vice president and director of properties for RREEF Funds, an institutional real estate investment management firm. In that position, he was responsible for the management and leasing of approximately 10

million square feet of commercial space in the Southwest United States. Earlier he was a vice president of property management for Coldwell Banker in Los Angeles. He received a bachelor of science degree from California State University, Los Angeles.

Petersen will also serve as a member of the Senior Review Committee -- the company's major real estate policy setting group. Angeles Corp. President Joseph Cattivera stated, "We are especially pleased to add someone of Petersen's quality to the organization. It is another example of our continuing commitment to real estate and to our institutional clients."

Angeles also develops and manages senior housing facilities, factory merchant malls and manufactured home communities. Angeles owns or manages properties in 30 states throughout the country and in Canada.

Angeles Corp. is a diversified investment management company which manages in excess of $4 billion of real estate, securities, mutual funds and leased equipment assets for institutions and corporation, and for more than 130,000 individual investors.

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OAK BROOK, IL (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: WMX) today announced the appointment of Joan Z. Bernstein to the new position of vice president of environmental policy and ethical standards.

Bernstein, vice president and general counsel of Chemical Waste Management Inc. since 1985, will assume her new position Sept. 1. She will remain a vice president of Chemical Waste Management.

"The appointment of Ms. Bernstein to this new position reflects our determination and commitment to making certain that Waste Management not only conforms to the highest standards of environmental compliance and ethical conduct, but that we are a leader in these critical areas," said Dean L. Buntrock, chairman and chief executive officer of Waste Management Inc. "I am extremely pleased to have a person of her caliber, credentials and integrity assume this very important role."

As the company's chief environmental officer, Bernstein will direct development of the company's strategy as it relates to environmental issues and counsel the company's operating groups on environmental and ethics programs. She will interpret external environmental policies and developments as they influence Waste Management business. It will also be her role to direct the expanding environmental audit program.

In addition, she will communicate the company's ethics standards, direct ethics training programs throughout the organization and work to improve and oversee internal support systems designed to ensure ethical and environmental compliance.

Prior to joining Chemical Waste Management as general counsel in 1985, Bernstein was a partner in the Washington, D.C. law firm of Wald, Harkrader & Ross. Between 1977 and 1981, she served as general counsel of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of Health and Human Services and vice chair, Administrative Conference of the United States.

Bernstein graduated from the University of Wisconsin with a bachelor of arts degree in economics and earned a law degree from Yale University. She is a member of the boards of directors of the Environmental Law Institute and the Environmental and Energy Study Institute and is on the board of visitors of the School of Public and Environmental Affairs of Indiana University.

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#90219p3012 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Selected by and reporting directly to Eastern Airlines' CEO Martin R. Shugrue Jr., Jack E. Robinson III has been named vice president of corporate develoment for the airline.

Robinson's new responsiblity comes in addition to his recent appointemnt as president and CEO of Eastern's commuter airline division, Eastern Express, which services Florida's business travelers with more than 80 intrastate flights daily.

Overseeing corporate strategic development for Eastern's future is Robinson's primary responsibility. "We will use every resource available to exploit growth opportunities for this airline," Robinson said.

With credentials that include an undergraduate degree in applied mathematics and economics from Brown University and both and M.B.A. and Juris Doctor from Harvard, the 30-year-old Robinson is no stranger to the airline industry. He was part of team overseeing marketing and planning at Texas Air Corporation before an assignment assistant to the president of MasterCard International. Robinson spent a brief period of time consulting to the airline industry before arriving at Eastern in May of 1990.

Robinson operates out of Eastern Airlines' headquarters in Miami and commutes back to his home in Manhattan when time allows.

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#90219p3013 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Centaur Partners Group announced today that a preliminary count by the independent inspector of elections of proxies cast by stockholders of National Intergroup, Inc. (NYSE: NII), had given Centaur Partners a landslide victory in its proxy contest to elect three members of National Intergroup's board. Three corporate governance initiatives proposed by Centaur also won by decisive margins, Centaur said.

Melvyn J. Estrin and Abbey J. Butler, principals of Centaur, said: "We are gratified at the overwhelming support our fellow stockholders gave us in our fight to maximize stockholder value. We believe this landslide victory is a clear mandate from stockholders in favor of our plan to sell all the assets of National Intergroup in a timely manner and distribute the proceeds to stockholders."

Centaur's slate of nominees consisted of Estrin, Robert J. Slater, the former vice chairman of Crane Co., and William G. Tull, the former president of American Security Bank. Centaur said each member of the slate received the votes of more than 11 million shares of National Intergroup common stock, representing approximately two-thirds of the shares voted at National Intergroup's annual meeting last July 25.

Centaur's corporate governance resolutions provide for confidential voting by stockholders, prevent the National Intergroup board from lowering the trigger of the company's "poison pill" below 20 percent, and require approval of a majority of stockholders of any "golden parachute" plans for management. The proposals received between 65 percent and 70 percent of the votes cast, not counting abstentions, Centaur reported.

In light of the overwhelming rejection by stockholders of the company's January amendment lowering the "poison pill" trigger from 20 percent to 10 percent, Centaur called on the National Intergroup board to rescind its amendment and to withdraw its appeal of a Delaware Chancery Court decision which struck down the amendment.

The resolution proposed by the National Intergroup board to change the name of the company to FoxMeyer Corp. failed to obtain the necessary two-thirds vote, Centaur said.

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#90219p3015 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Life USA Holding, Inc. today reported increased income for the second quarter of 1990 and record growth for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

Due to an increase in life insurance and annuity business written by the company's wholly owned subsidiary, LifeUSA Insurance Company, consolidated net income for the second quarter was $3,843,771, compared with $828,013 for the same period one year ago.

Total consolidated revenues of the company increased by 97 percent to $24,764,777 for the second quarter of 1990, compared with total consolidated revenues of $12,557,391 for the second quarter of 1989. Total six-month consolidated revenues were $38,833,283, compared with $48,319,372 of revenues for all of 1989.

Due to the retention through a retrocession agreement with its reinsurer, of 25 percent of the business written by its subsidiary, the company's assets and capital surplus have shown significant growth. The company's total consolidated assets were $122,337,395 at the end of the second quarter of 1990, compared with total consolidated assets of $23,072,089 at the end of 1989. During the last four consecutive quarters, capital surplus has increased from $(227,234) to $15,193,374.

Robert W. MacDonald, chairman of Life USA, said: "During the first six months of 1990, in most major categories, Life USA has either equalled or exceeded the results achieved during all of 1989. These remarkable results are due to a number of factors: broadened acceptance of the ownership concept resulting in increased recruiting activity, increased marketing efforts, and ongoing control of total expenses. We believe that production will continue to accelerate as the marketplace becomes familiar with our revolutionary new life insurance policy, Universal Annuity Life(SM)."

LifeUSA Insurance Company reported total second quarter collected life and annuity premiums of $195,918,401, representing a 164 percent increase in premiums over the same quarter in 1989. Total life and annuity premiums for the first six months of 1990 were $276,609,002, compared with $283,181,634 for all of 1989.

The number of agents representing LifeUSA is currently more than 14,000 agents nationwide.

Life USA's stock is not publicly traded. The company currently has more than $1.3 billion of life insurance in force.

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#90219p3017 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Wainoco Oil Corp. (NYSE: WOL) today reported revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1990 of $9.2 million six percent below those of $9.8 million in the prior year's second quarter. A net loss of $843,000, or 4 cents per share, resulted from reduced revenues, increased expenses and lower income tax benefits. Reserves and production capacities are increasing as a result of successful exploration and acquisition programs.

Revenues from natural gas declined along with production as sales from certain wells were withheld when gas prices fell below established company minimums. Oil revenues decreased because of depressed prices even though production volumes were higher than in the second three months of 1989.

Natural gas production of 4.5 billion cubic feet, or 49 million cubic feet per day, was eight percent under that in last year's period while the average price of $1.35/mcf received for it rose three percent through selective marketing. Oil production of 166,000 barrels, or 1,824 barrels per day, increased four percent but its average price dropped 12 percent or $1.95 to $14.92/bbl.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues of $20.5 million were six percent above those of the prior year's first half. A loss of $7.2 million, or 36 cents per share, as against net income of $2.4 million, or 12 cents per share in the 1989 period was primarily due to the first quarter's $7.2 million noncash write-down of U.S. properties, amplified by the second quarter results.

Natural gas production of 9.9 billion cubic feet for the first half year was slightly below that of the 1989 period, but the average price of $1.35/mcf received for it was four percent higher. Oil production of 335,000 barrels rose seven percent and its average price of $16.69/bbl was up six percent.

"Recent exploratory success and the acquisition of producing properties have had a beneficial effect on reserves and producing rates," said Wainoco's president, James R. Gibbs. Stating that the effect will begin to be felt in the next quarter, he also said that the company's operations would remain at high levels throughout the year's remainder.

Wainoco Oil Corp. is an oil and gas exploration and production company with operations throughout North America. Wainoco's common shares are listed on the New York and Alberta Stock Exchanges.

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#90219p3018 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - A McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) MD-11 has completed the longest flight ever made by a commercial tri-jet, covering 9,080 miles (14,615 km) in 16 hours and 35 minutes.

The flight was part of a three-day mission to test the big aircraft's cruise endurance, navigation equipment near and over the North Pole and to evaluate pilot workload during takeoffs, landings and cruise. MD-11 ship 4 was used for the test, which was conducted as part of the MD-11's Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) certification flight test program.

Forty people, including operations planners, maintenance personnel, Douglas Aircraft Co. and FAA flight crews and test engineers, and representatives of Honeywell, manufacturer of the navigation computers and displays, were on board for the historic flight.

The mission included four flight legs beginning and ending at the McDonnell Douglas flight test facility at Yuma, Ariz. Takeoff from Yuma was at 11:20 a.m. (MST) on July 30. The MD-11 landed at Denver one hour and 40 minutes later, taxied to the end of the runway and then took off for Seattle, Wash., where it landed following a two hour and 30 minute flight.

From Seattle the MD-11 then headed for Anchorage, Alaska, arriving there two hours and 55 minutes after takeoff. The aircraft and crew remained there for the night and then began the historic polar flight the next morning at 11:20 MST. It ended at 3:55 a.m. MST the following day.

"The flight plan called for us to make four passes directly over the geographic North Pole and one off to one side," according to Joe Ornelas, business unit manager for ship 4. "We wanted to see if the displays would reverse from north to south as the aircraft passed over the pole.

"This is a particularly difficult test because three computers from the inertial reference system and two from the flight management system are independently computing the aircraft's position and must signal displays on both sides of the instrument panel to reverse at exactly the same time " Ornelas said.

"On two of the passes we intentionally failed the flight management computers, and reverted to back-up navigation. The equipment did just what it was supposed to do on all five passes. This is the first time this test has been successfully completed on the first try. We're very

pleased," Ornelas said.

"Another objective of the segment was to use the flight management system (FMS) to calculate optimum altitudes for fuel conservation and long range " according to Ornelas. "We flew as high as 43,000 feet (13,106 m) and still landed with well over an hour's worth of fuel, more than enough to reach our alternate airport if we had to," Ornelas said.

MD-11s are equipped with advanced digital flight deck systems and are capable of carrying up to 410 passengers over inter- continental ranges nonstop. As of Aug. 1, McDonnell Douglas had received orders and other commitments for 378 MD-11s.

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#90219p3019 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The O'Brien Fuel Inc. division of O'Brien Energy Systems (AMEX: OBS), a leading energy project developer, today announced a joint venture agreement with COSAP, Inc., a Dallas engineering firm, to develop traditional and alternative fuel reserves for O'Brien's existing and new cogeneration projects. COSAP is a leading natural gas and coalbed methane evaluation, exploration and production company.

The joint venture will first develop the recently announced 15,000- acre coalbed methane reserves in southwestern Pennsylvania. The joint venture program at this site calls for a $1.1 million initial expenditure for evaluation and test bores, followed by a drilling program of approximately $6.7 million.

This acreage, according to geological estimates, contains up to 40 billion cubic feet of pipeline quality gas, according to Bruce Levy, O'Brien vice president.

"We expect that the Middle East situation and its escalating effect on fuel prices will increase demand for the fuels to be developed in our new joint venture and for our company's coal gas operations," Levy said.

"In addition to our coalbed methane activities, we are firmly positioned in other important niche markets. They include approximately $100 million landfill gas reserves, the American Hydrotherm division's patented process to develop energy requiring no fossil fuels, and the British subsidiary, Enercol Energy, which specializes in compressed natural gas for vehicle fuel," he added.

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Energy Systems

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#90219p3024 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Ocean Bio-Chem Inc. (NASDAQ: OBCI), reported record sales, up 25 percent, for six months ended June 30, 1990.

OCEAN BIO-CHEM INC.
For the six months
Ended June 30,

	1990	1989	
Sales	$2,984,877	$2,386,373	Income
Before Tax	212,805	72,009	
Net Income	144,805	$72,009	Net Income
Per Share	.05	.03	

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#90219p3027 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
OAK BROOK, IL (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The L.E. Myers Co. Group today announced that its board of directors had declared a dividend of $.03 per share for the second quarter of 1990 payable Sept. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 31.

Myers specializes in overhead and underground outdoor electrical construction. This includes construction and maintenance of transmission lines, distribution systems, substations, outdoor lighting and signal control systems for public investor-owned electric utilities, heavy industry and government facilities.

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#90219p3029 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
PASADENA, CA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (NYSE: JEC) announced today that its subsidiary, Robert E. McKee Inc., has been awarded a contract by Glendale Memorial Hospital Health Center for the construction of an addition to the Hospital and Health Center in Glendale, Calif.

The 130,000-square-foot Hospital and Emergency Center addition, which has a constructed value of $15.6 million, will include surgical suites, emergency center and x-ray imaging. The addition will be an extension

to the existing hospital facilities which will be kept in operation throughout the new construction period.

The project is scheduled for completion in early 1992. In addition to construction, Robert E. McKee also will be responsible for all site demolition, renovations, and tenant improvements to existing facilities and equipment installation within the new addition.

Robert E. McKee, a wholly owned subsidiary of Jacobs Engineering Group Inc., offers both construction and construction management services and specializes in constructing high-tech, health care and commercial and institutional facilities.

Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. provides single-source environmental and hazardous waste management, consulting, engineering, design, architectural contract maintenance, and operations services to government and industry worldwide.

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#90219p3030 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Gas Resources Inc. (NYSE: WGR) (the "company") announced today that the first six months of 1990 were very successful as revenues reached an all-time high for the six months ended June 30 of $106,604,000 (compared to $86,707,000 for the like period in 1989).

Revenues were $43,080,000 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 (compared to $43,806,000 for the like period in 1989). Net income was $933,000, or 9 cents per common share, for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 (compared to $601,000, or 8 cents per common share, for the like period in 1989, net of an unusual item) and $3,119,000, or 29 cents per common share, for the six months ended June 30, 1990 (compared to $1,204,000, or 16 cents per common share, for the like period in 1989, net of unusual items). The weighted average number of common shares outstanding increased from 7,380,617 for the 1989 periods to 10,908,117 for the 1990 periods. Working capital provided by operations was $4,667,000 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 (compared to $5,122,000 for the like period in 1989, net of an unusual item) and $12,752,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1990 (compared to $9,907,000 for the like period in 1989, net of unusual items). The unusual items excluded for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1989 from net income were $1,285,000 and $2,273,000 respectively, and from working capital provided by operations were $4,000,000 and a net $6,900,000, respectively, related to certan commitment fees and interest received and

a related settlement paid by Western.

On July 26, 1990, the company purchased substantially all of the assets of Parker Gas Cos. Inc. ("Parker"), except for Parker's subsidiary Parker Gas Treating Co., for approximately $21 million. The assets acquired consist of gas gathering assets located in Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas. The most significant asset acquired was Parker's approximate 75 percent interest in a gas gathering system located near Giddings, Texas (the "Giddings System"), processing gas from the Austin Chalk formation. The Giddings System includes approximately 475 miles of gathering lines connected to approximately 400 wells with current throughput of approximately 35 MMcf per day and a capacity of 65 MMcf per day. The effective date of the acquisition was July 1, 1990 and the company assumed operation of the acquired assets at closing.

Additionally, on May 24, 1990, the company entered into a definitive agreement to purchase substantially all of the assets of Parker Gas Treating for approximately $4 million. The assets being acquired consist primarily of gas treating plants located in Texas, Louisiana, New Mexico and Mississippi, the releated gas treating contracts and equipment rental contracts. The expected closing for the acquisition is late August 1990 with an effective date of Aug. 1, 1990.

The company continues to actively seek opportunities for expansion of its operations and believes that it has well positioned itself to take advantage of improvements in both gas and liquid prices.

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#90219p3036 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - MLX Corp. (NASDAQ: MLXX) today announced operating results for the second quarter and the six months ended June 30, 1990.

MLX reported net earnings of $519,000 or 2 cents per share for the second quarter of 1990 compared to net earnings of $2.6 million or 15 cents per share for the second quarter of 1989. Net sales for the second quarter of 1990 were $132.1 million compared to $134.9 million for the second quarter of 1989.

For the first six months of 1990, MLX reported net sales of $216.5 million and a net loss of $4.7 million, or $.24 per share, compared to net sales of $221.1 million and a net loss of $385,000 or $.02 per share in the first half of 1989.

With the adverse impact of restructuring now behind the company, Panny

indicated he expected earnings for the second half of the year to improve significantly.

MLX Corp. is the largest independent nationwide distributor of commercial refrigeration and air conditioning equipment, parts and supplies and is a leading global manufacturer of high-energy friction products and components used in aircraft brakes and in clutches, brakes and transmissions for heavy duty trucks and off-highway equipment.

MLX CORPORATION
CONDENSED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(unaudited)
(in thousands, except per-share data)

Operating Results:	Quarter Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales:				
Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	$117,477	$119,723	$188,086	$190,774
Specialty Friction Materials	14,577	15,223	28,440	30,298
Total Net Sales	$132,054	$134,946	$216,526	$221,072
Operating Earnings:				
Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	$ 6,504	$ 10,942	$ 2,417	$ 10,181
Specialty Friction Materials	1,958	2,698	3,928	5,636
Corporate Office	(698)	(709)	(1,423)	(1,587)
	7,764	12,931	4,922	14,230
Interest Expense, Net	(5,743)	(7,209)	(11,932)	(13,715)
Other Income (Expense)	71	(104)	102	(297)
Earnings Before Income Taxes, Minority Interest	2,092	5,618	(6,908)	218
Credit (Provision) for Income Taxes	(1,222)	(2,352)	1,390	(776)
Minority Interest	(351)	(656)	792	173
Net Earnings (Loss)	$ 519	$ 2,610	$ (4,726)	$ (385)
Net Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share	$.02	$.15	$(.24)	$(.02)
Average Outstanding Shares of Common Stock	22,961	16,949	19,998	16,947

Financial Condition:	June 30 1990	June 30 1989
Current Assets	$183,007	$194,856
Property, Plant & Equipment	25,345	22,949
Intangible Assets, Net	110,248	114,525
Other Assets	1,380	2,212
	$319,980	$334,542

Current Liabilities	$ 99,351	$152,176
Long-Term Liabilities	184,052	147,473
Minority Interest	1,998	3,522
Shareholders' Equity	34,579	31,371
	$319,980	$334,542

CONTACT: J. Jack Christin, investor relations executive, 412-833-6230, for MLX Corp.

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ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - At a regular meeting today of the board of directors of The St. Paul Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: STPL), a regular quarterly dividend of 60 cents per share was declared, payable Oct. 17, 1990, to shareholders of record as of the close of business Sept. 28, 1990.

The company has paid cash dividends without interruption for 118 years. The St. Paul Companies owns a number of businesses providing insurance and insurance-related products and services to customers in the commercial, industrial, institutional and personal marketplaces.

Its members include St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, Seaboard Surety Company, St. Paul Reinsurance Management Corporation, St. Paul (UK) Limited, Minet Holdings PLC and John Nuveen & Co. Incorporated.

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#90219p3048 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

RAPID CITY, SD (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Harley-Davidson Inc. (NYSE: HDI) announced today that its board of directors had adopted a revised stock purchase rights plan in which preferred share purchase rights will be distributed as a dividend at the rate of one right for each outstanding common share. In addition, the board authorized the redemption of the existing rights which were created in May 1988.

"While the board is not aware of any effort to acquire control of the company, we believe the revised stock purchase rights plan represents a sound and reasonable means of safeguarding the interests of stockholders," said Richard F. Teerlink, president and chief executive officer, in explaining the rights issuance. "The plan addresses the responsibility of the board to provide protection against abusive and coercive takeover tactics, such as creeping accumulations, market sweeps and squeeze-outs. Also, the plan seeks to ensure that shareholders realize the long-term values of their investments. The plan does not prevent a takeover, but

should encourage anyone seeking to acquire the company to treat all shareholders equally and to negotiate with the board prior to a takeover attempt."

When exercisable, each new right will entitle stockholders to buy one-hundredth of a newly issued share of the company's preferred stock at an exercise price of $100. Each one one-hundredth of a share of the preferred stock has terms designed to make it substantially the economic equivalent of one share of common stock. The rights will be exercisable only if a person acquires 15 percent or more of the common stock or announces a tender offer, the consummation of which would result in ownership by a person or group of 25 percent or more of the common stock.

If the company is acquired in a merger or other business combination transaction, each right then exercisable will entitle its holder to purchase that number of shares of the acquiring company's common stock that has a market value equal to twice the right's exercise price.

In addition, if a person or group acquires 15 percent or more of the company's common stock, each holder of a right, other than the 15 percent stockholder, will also have the right to receive, upon payment of the exercise price, that number of shares of the company's preferred stock having a market value equal to two times the exercise price. The former rights plan provided that a person or group must acquire 25 percent of the common stock before triggering this discount purchase feature. If insufficient shares of the company's preferred stock are available for the exercise of the rights to purchase the company's preferred stock, holders of rights will receive upon exercise shares of the company's preferred stock to the extent available and then cash, property or other securities, including common stock, of the company in proportion determined by the company, so that the aggregate value received is equal to twice the exercise price.

The board may redeem the rights for $0.01 per right at any time until the 10th day after a person or group acquires 15 percent or more of the outstanding common stock of the company (subject to adjustment by the board).

Until such date that the rights become unredeemable, the company may, except with respect to the redemption price or date of expiration of the rights, amend the rights in any manner. The new rights plan permits the company to amend the exercise price in cash of better than anticipated stock performance.

Shareholders of record as of the close of business on Aug. 20, 1990, will receive the redemption payment for each existing right which is attached to each outstanding common share of the company, payable on Sept. 3, 1990. This distribution will be included in the taxable income reported to

shareholders on Form 1099 for calendar year 1990 as dividend income.

The new rights will be available to stockholders of record as of Aug. 20, 1990 and are not taxable to the company or its shareholders. The new rights will expire on Aug. 20, 2000.

Harley-Davidson Inc., the only American motorcycle manufacturer, produces heavyweight motorcycles and a complete line of motorcycle parts and accessories. Its Holiday Rambler subsidiary is a leading manufacturer of premium recreational vehicles, specialized commercial vehicles and a diverse range of related products. Harley-Davidson Inc. is also a manufacturing contractor for a variety of industries, including the U.S. Department of Defense.

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SPRINGFIELD, VA. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Erol's Inc., the nations largest independently-owned video rental chain, today announced plans for a nationwide franchise operation.

Details of the initiative were announced by Erol's Vice President of Sales and New Business Development Troy Cooper.

Erol's, which currently operates more than 200 video rental stores in six states with a major concentration in selected East Coast and Midwest cities, plans to expand its business by franchising new stores in some markets where the company currently has a presence and opening new markets with franchise outlets. Franchise offerings will initially be made in Philadelphia, Cleveland, Richmond and Norfolk, Va. and Chicago. Plans also call for Erol's franchise offerings in Atlanta, Rochester and Buffalo N.Y. and Pittsburgh. Additional cities will be announced by the end of the year. Franchises will not be available in the Baltimore/Washington region, where Erol's already has a dominant market position.

Cooper said: "We are using franchising as a means to expand nationally. Erol's is the top video chain in the Washington market and has strong penetration in the majority of the cities where we operate. We see franchising as a means to become even stronger. We plan to grow market share in new cities by offering the Erol's identity and the benefits of being affiliated with a winner to franchisees capable of financing and managing a multi-store operation."

Erol's looks to individuals, investor partnerships and corporations as potential individual and multi-unit operators. Potential franchisees can expect an initial investment ranging from $400,000 to $600,000 which

includes a $30,000 initial franchise fee, plus inventory, leasehold improvement, equipment, advertising and related expenses. The franchise agreement includes a 5 percent Monthly Royalty Fee and a 3 percent Advertising and Marketing Fee, both based on gross revenues.

Cooper sees the move to franchising as a strategically aggressive one for the company. "In the past two years we have maintained a leadership position as the marketplace changed from one of primarily small video stores to one dominated by large video chains. Franchising will allow us to expand rapidly, stay on top, and offer franchisees a business opportunity unlike that of other video chains," he said.

CONTACT: Kathy Szymanski of KSCommunications, 703-534-1253, for Erol's Video Inc.

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WALL, NJ (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - New Jersey Natural Gas Company (NJNG) today filed a petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU) for a $14.8 million increase in base rates to reflect higher operating, financing, and capital construction costs.

The proposed increase would raise the annual bill of a typical residential heat customer who uses 1,263 therms of gas per year, the average annual use, by about $41, or 4.5 percent.

At the same time, the utility said it would issue a one-time credit to customers totaling about $14.5 million, or $40 per residential heat household, sometime during the last calendar quarter of 1990 because of an expected refund from its primary natural gas supplier, the Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation.

"We've planned adequately for growth, but there is no escaping the fact that new customers require new facilities and services," said Philip H. Reardon, NJNG president and chief executive officer.

"As a result, we must continually upgrade our distribution system, extend mains and service lines, maintain equipment and facilities, and add appropriate personnel to continue our excellent record of service.

"We've grown exceptionally fast, and regulatory lag - the delay between the time we incur new operating and capital costs and the time we can include them in our rates - is a real problem for us," Reardon said.

He pointed out that NJNG is spending about $50 million and increasing its net utility plant in service by about ten percent every year. In addition, greater manpower requirements to serve the needs of NJNG's strong customer

growth and higher costs related to employee benefits, particularly health care, all contribute to the need for further rate relief, he said.

"Existing base rates do not cover our costs sufficiently to allow the company to earn a reasonable return on its plant investment," Reardon said. "Therefore, timely and adequate base rate increases are needed to reflect the incremental operating and capital costs not covered in current rates in order to maintain a sound capital structure."

NJNG said its base rate filing represents an increase of about 4.4 percent in firm revenues. About 43 percent of the increase, or $6.3 million, is for federal income and state gross receipts and franchise taxes.

The filing, which is based on a six-month actual and six-month projected test year ending Dec. 31, 1990, reflects the addition of about 7,000 customers, 22 employees and $50 million in construction of new and renewal utility plant since the conclusion of NJNG's last base rate case.

CONTACT: Glenn J. Phillips, (201) 938-1112, or Theresa Marotta, (201) 938-1280, both of New Jersey Natural Gas.

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OKLAHOMA CITY (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Tierco Group Inc. (NASDAQ: TIER) incurred a net loss of $2,995,572 ($1.32 per share) on revenues of $7,563,057 for the six months ended June 30, 1990 compared to a loss of $6,067,374 ($2.85 per share) on revenues of $10,664,424 for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

For the second quarter the company incurred a net loss of $2,085,055 ($.92 per share) on revenues of $3,227,161 in 1990 compared to a loss of $3,543,294 ($1.67 per share) on revenues of $5,307,733 in 1989.

The improved results reflect lower interest and administrative expenses as a result of the debt restructuring in October, 1989, and increased operating income from the company's hotel and marina complex.

TIERCO GROUP INC.

	Six months ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 7,563,057	$ 10,664,424
Net loss	$ (2,995,572)	$ (6,067,374)
Net loss per share	$ (1.32)	$ (2.85)
Average shares outstanding	2,276,097	2,126,097
	Three months ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 3,227,161	$ 5,307,733

Net loss	$ (2,085,055)	$(3,543,294)
Net loss per share	$ (0.92)	$ (1.67)
Average shares outstanding	2,276,097	2,126,097

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#90219p3058 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORKED RIVER, N.J. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - An ongoing evaluation of yesterday's unusual event includes a report that off-site radiation monitoring equipment detected a small release of radioactivity from Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station.

The N.J. Department of Environmental Protection, bureau of Nuclear Engineering, notified the plant that the release was detected by its extremely sensitive off-site monitoring equipment.

For about 15 minutes, the state-run equipment reportedly showed radiation levels that rose from a normal background of about 0.005 millirems per hour to an average of 0.022 millirems per hour, with a brief peak at 0.128 millirems per hour, well within federal limits. The average Ocean county resident receives about 220 millirems of exposure per year from naturally occurring sources of radiation.

A valve malfunction yesterday allowed about 300 gallons of water to flow through a sprinkler system in the drywell, which encloses the reactor and associated equipment including sections of steam piping. As a result, an unusual event -- the lowest level of emergency -- was in effect from 3:15 p.m. to 5:50 p.m.

Some of the water turned to steam, causing a slight pressure increase -- less than a half-pound per square inch -- inside the drywell. Pressure was relieved by venting the drywell to the plant vent stack. Other plant safety systems were tested overnight and found to be fully functional.

Oyster Creek is operated by GPU Nuclear Corp. and is owned by Jersey Central Power & Light Co.

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#90219p3060 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of The St. Paul Companies (NASDAQ-NMS: STPL) today elected Ian A. Martin and Lawrence E. Honig as members of the corporation's board of directors.

They fill vacancies created by recent director retirements and bring the current number of directors to 15.

Martin is a director of Grand Metropolitan PLC, one of Great Britain's largest international companies, and chairman of Grand Metropolitan's U.S. operations. He is also chairman, chief executive officer (CEO) and president of the Pillsbury Company, Minneapolis, and chairman of Burger King, Miami. Honig is vice chairman of The May Department Stores Company (NYSE: MA), a prominent U.S. retailer based in St. Louis, and a member of its board of directors.

Martin joined Grand Metropolitan in 1979 in the company's Watney Mann & Trumans Brewers becoming chairman and CEO in 1982. He was also chairman and CEO of Grand Met's brewing and retailing divisions before coming to the United States in 1987. Grand Met's leading international brands include Pillsbury, Smirnoff Vodka, J&B Scotch, Burger King and Pearle Vision stores.

Martin began his career with Timex Corporation and has worked for several international corporations in eight countries. A chartered accountant, he is a graduate of St. Andrews University, Scotland.

Honig joined May in 1982 and was named vice chairman in 1986. May's principal stores include Lord & Taylor, Foley's, May Company, Hecht's, Robinson's, Kaufmann's, Famous-Barr, Filene's, May Ohio, May D&F, G. Fox, L.S. Ayres and Meier & Frank.

Prior to joining May, Honig was a principal at McKinsey & Company, Inc. and an investment banker at Shearson Loeb Rhoads. He has a master of business administration degree from the Harvard Business School, a master of arts degree from the University of Texas and bachelor's degrees from Washington & Lee University.

Headquartered in St. Paul, The St. Paul Companies is a worldwide insurance organization whose members provide insurance underwriting, insurance brokerage and investment banking services. Founded in 1853, The St. Paul is Minnesota's oldest business corporation.

CONTACT: Suzi Kanyr Hagen of The St. Paul Companies, 612-221-8022.

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MELBOURNE, FLA. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) has authorized the repurchase of up to 1.5 million shares of the company's common stock in the open market. The shares will be used for general corporate purposes.

Harris Corporation, with worldwide sales of more than $3 billion, is focused on four major businesses: advanced electronic systems, semiconductors, communications, and the Lanier Worldwide office-equipment distribution network.

CONTACT: Jim Burke of Harris Corporation, at 407-727-9126

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#90219p3064 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Howell Corp. (NYSE: HWL) announced today that Charles B. (Chuck) Hauf has joined its exploration and production unit as vice president, exploration. The company expects to direct a significant portion of its annual budget in the coming years to exploration activities. Hauf will be responsible for directing and managing the exploration, as well as development activities of the company with special emphasis on the geology and geophysics of the company's oil and gas prospects.

Hauf has 25 years of diversified domestic and international experience. He has held similar responsibilities with other independents, most recently with Thermal Exploration Inc. Hauf has worked for many other successful oil and gas companies over the years, including Amerada Petroleum, Natomas International, Wainoco, American Exploration and Kerr-McGee.

Hauf is married and has two children. He holds B.S. (with honors) and M.S. degrees in geology from the University of Wyoming. Hauf is a member of AAPG and the Houston Geological Society.

Howell Corp. (NYSE: HWL) is an energy industry holding company. Through wholly-owned operating units, it is engaged in oil and gas exploration and production, crude oil marketing, technical fuels refining and marketing, custom chemical processing, product terminalling and common carrier bulk liquids transportation of hydrocarbons and chemicals.

CONTACT: Paul W. Funkhouser of Howell Corp., 713-658-4000.

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#90219p3066 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of TNP Enterprises Inc. (TNPE) (NYSE: TNP), announced today quarterly dividends of 40-3/4 cents per share of common stock.

Quarterly dividends will be paid on Sept. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 24, 1990. This will be the 219th consecutive dividend

paid by TNPE or its predecessor companies.

TNP Enterprises is the Fort Worth-based holding company of Texas-New Mexico Power Co., an electric utility.

The company also announced 5.1 and 3.2 percent increases in operating revenues for the quarter and 12-month periods ended June 30, 1990.

The increase in operating revenues was the result of higher rates and increases in electricity sales of the utility.

Although consolidated revenues increased, consolidated net earnings decreased for both the quarter add 12 months ended June 30, 1990. These decreases were partly due to decreases in the contribution to earnings by nonutility operations. During the 12 month period in 1989, the final affairs of the sale of cogeneration facility helped produce earnings.

Consolidated net earnings during the quarter ended June 30, 1989, decreased from $3,480,322 in 1989 to $3,352,988 in 1990. During the 12-month period just ended, consolidated net earnings decreased from $22,404,568 in 1989 to $16,404,776.

Texas-New Mexico Power Co. currently has a request for a rate increase pending before the Public Utility Commission of Texas. This increase would include the first unit of a new lignite-fueled power plant into the utility's rate base.

A summary of consolidated earnings for the quarter and 12 months ended June 30, 1990, and for the same periods in 1989 is shown below.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Orion Capital Corporation (NYSE: OC) announced today that, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, earnings from insurance operations (before realized investment gains (losses)) increased to a record level of $9,346,000, or $1.15 per share (after preferred dividends) based upon 6,481,000 weighted average primary common shares outstanding, from $8,894,000 for the second quarter of 1989, or $1.07 per share (after preferred dividends) based upon 6,503,000 weighted average primary common shares outstanding. For the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, earnings from insurance operations were $17,456,000, or $2.11 per share, and $15,799,000, or $1.81 per share, based upon 6,495,000 and 6,493,000 weighted average primary common shares outstanding, respectively.

Realized investment gains for the second quarter of 1990 and 1989 amounted to $291,000 and $2,688,000 on a pre-tax basis, respectively. The non-deductibility for federal income tax purposes of certain investment losses caused the net realized gain during the 1990 quarter to result, on an after-tax basis, in a net realized loss of $197,000, or $.03 per share. This compares with after-tax realized investment gains of $1,888,000, or $.29 per share, in the second quarter of 1989. Year- to-date after-tax realized investment gains (losses) were $(1,163,000), or $(.18) per share, and $3,108,000 , or $.48 per share, in the first half of 1990 and 1989, respectively.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, net earnings were $9,149,000, or $1.12 per share, compared with $10,782,000, or $1.36 per share, for the second quarter of 1989. Year-to-date net earnings amounted to $16,293,000 or $1.93 per share, and $18,907,000, or $2.29 per share, respectively.

On a fully diluted basis, earnings from insurance operations amounted to $.97 per share and $.91 per share, on 9,109,000 and 9,129,000 fully diluted shares, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively. After-tax realized investment gains (losses) per fully-diluted share amounted to $(.02) and $.21 in the second quarter of each year, respectively. Fully-diluted net earnings amounted to $.95 per share and $1.12 per share for the three months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Orion Capital is engaged in the specialty property and casualty insurance business through various wholly owned insurance subsidiaries.

CONTACT: Vincent T. Papa of Orion Capital, 212-541-4646, or Robert D. Siegfried of Kekst & Company, 212-593-2655 for Orion Capital.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Energy Service Co. Inc. (ENSCO) (AMEX: ESV) and R.D. Smith and Co. Inc. (R.D. Smith) announced today an agreement to sell two third generation semi-submersible rigs from Penrod Drilling Corp.'s fleet of 79 rigs. The two rigs, the Penrod 73 and 78, will be sold by Penrod for $90 million. This transaction is in addition to the previously announced agreement for the sale by Penrod of the Penrod 76 and 77 for $95 million. The rigs are all currently located in the Gulf of Mexico.

The sale of the rigs is conditional upon approval by the U.S. maritime administration and completion of the acquisition of the remaining 31.3 percent of Penrod's senior debt and equity securities that are not already owned by ENSCO and its affiliated group of investors, and by affiliates

of R.D. Smith. The ENSCO Group and affiliates of R.D. Smith expect to complete the acquisition of the remaining Penrod interest on or before Oct. 31, 1990.

The buyer of the Penrod 73 and 78 will be A/S HAV (HAV), an affiliate of Helmer Staubo & Co. HAV is a publicly traded Norwegian corporation based in Oslo, Norway.

The ENSCO Group of investors, which currently owns 40.2 percent of Penrod's senior debt and equity, consists of ENSCO; Natural Gas Partners L.P.; Rainwater Inc.; PMJ Investment Corp.; Goldman, Sachs and Co.; and a subsidiary of Bankers Trust New York Corp. A group led by R.D. Smith, a New York based investment firm which specializes in securities of troubled companies, currently owns 28.5 percent of the senior debt and equity.

ENSCO, headquartered in Houston, is engaged in providing contract drilling and related energy services to the international petroleum industry. ENSCO's common stock and preferred stock trade on the American Stock Exchange (ESV).

CONTACT: Cathy Clonts, Energy Service Co. Inc., 713-496-6060

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TWINSBURG, OH (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Anac Holding Corporation, parent of Revco D.S., Inc., announces that Charles Lindsay has been selected as a new director of Anac and Revco. He replaces Lee D. Powar, who has resigned from the board of directors.

Lindsay, 37, is president of Dublind Partners of New York City. He was previously managing director for taxable fixed income, trading and sales for Dillon, Read & Co., Inc., of New York, with prior experience at that firm in the corporate bond and preferred stock departments. He joined Dillon, Read in 1978.

Revco, one of the nation's foremost drugstore chains, is a privately owned company based in Twinsburg, Ohio.

CONTACT: Diana Lueptow of Revco D.S., Inc., (216) 425-9811, ext. 6145, or (216) 487-1060 after hours.

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#90219p3071 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Cagle's Inc. (AMEX: CGLA) today released earnings for the quarter ended June 30.

The drop in earnings compared to the same period of a year ago is attributed primarily to broiler market prices which averaged approximately 20 percent lower than for the same period a year ago.

(In thousands except per share amounts)

Period ended	13 wks. 6/30/90	13 wks. 7/1/89
Net sales	$47,180	$49,624
Net income	$ 824	$ 1,926
Net income per share	$ .36	$ .84
Shares used in per share calculation	2,272	2,297

CONTACT: Kenneth R. Barkley, secretary-treasurer of Cagle's Inc., 404-355-2820

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#90219p3074 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, VA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Vie de France Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: VDEF) announced the successful completion of its $6 million rights offering, in which it offered 3 million shares of common stock to its shareholders at a price of $2 per share.

The company received a total of $7,059,000 in subscriptions, which exceeded the offering's stated maximum by approximately $1.1 million. The $1,059,000 oversubscription will be refunded to subscribing shareholders on a pro rata basis.

After expenses, the company realized a total of $5.7 million in additional equity capital from the offering. From these funds, $5 million has been applied to repay debt, with the remainder being used for working capital requirements.

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DALLAS (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Metro Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ: MAIRC) today announced that July 1990 traffic set an all-time monthly record for the company. Metro flew 59.9 million revenue passenger miles during the month a 37.2 percent increase from 43.6 million in July 1989. A revenue passenger mile is the equivalent of flying one paying passenger one mile.

Passenger boardings for the month totaled 311,342, up 38.9 percent from 224,134 in July 1989. Metro had 99.4 million available seat miles in July 1990, compared to 78.4 million in 1989, for a 26.8 percent increase. Load

factor, or percentage of seats filled by paying passengers, increased to 60.3 percent, up 4.6 percentage points from 55.7 percent in July 1989.

For the first seven months of 1990, Metro flew 362.7 million revenue passenger miles, a 42.0 percent increase from 255.4 million a year ago. The airline had 659.7 million available seat miles for the first seven months of 1990, compared to 495.6 million a year ago, an increase of 33.1 percent. Load factor for the first six months of 1990 increased 3.5 percentage points to 55.0 percent from 51.5 percent last year. Passenger boardings for the period were 1,923,437, a 42.6 percent increase from 1,349,144 a year ago.

Metro Airlines, Inc., one of the nation's largest regional airlines, operates over 100 aircraft serving 73 cities in the southwestern and eastern United States and the caribbean. Metro operates as American Eagle from its Dallas/Fort Worth hub, as Eastern Metro Express at the Atlanta and San Juan hubs, and as Trans World Express in the northeast.

	Month Ended July 31,		
	1990	1989	Percent Change
Passengers	311,342	224,134	38.9
Revenue passenger miles	59,871,519	43,647,078	37.2
Available seat miles	99,362,017	78,382,236	26.8
Load factor (percent)	60.3	55.7	4.6 pts.

	Seven Months Ended July 31,		
	1990	1989(i)	Percent Change
Passengers	1,923,437	1,349,144	43.6
Revenue passenger miles	362,679,819	255,369,075	42.0
Available seat miles	659,689,089	495,620,576	33.1
Load factor (percent)	55.0	51.5	3.5 pts.

(i) Includes operations of Metro Air Northeast, formerly Brookway Air, from date of acquisition in April 1989.

CONTACT: Brian K. Miller of Metro Airlines Inc., 214-453-4400; or Larry Howell of Howell Communications Inc. for Metro Airlines Inc., 214-340-9994

-30- 2905

#90219p3081 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) issued the following debenture pricing:

Date of Offering: Aug. 8, 1990

Price:	Par	98.875%
Issue Date:	August 10, 1990	
Term:	4 years	30 years
Callable on or after:	8/10/92	8/10/95
Interest Rate:	8.55%	9.65%
Yield:	8.55%	9.767%
Amount (millions):	$500	$450
Maturity Date:	8/10/94	8/10/20
Date of First Interest Payment (then semi-annually):	2/10/91	2/10/91

The debentures of Aug. 10, 1994, and the debentures of Aug. 10, 2020, are redeemable on or after Aug. 10, 1992, and Aug. 10, 1995, respectively, in whole or in part at the option of the corporation at any time (and from time to time). The redemption price of the debentures of Aug. 10, 1994, will be 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption. The redemption price of the debentures of Aug. 10, 2020, initially will be 106.820 percent of the principal amount redeemed plus accrued interest on the principal amount redeemed. The redemption price of the debentures of Aug. 10, 2020, will decrease annually on each Aug. 10, commencing Aug. 10, 1996, through Aug. 10, 2015, as will be set forth in the Supplement to the Guide to Debt Securities information statement relating to those debentures. The amount payable for any redemptions on or after Aug. 10, 2015, and at maturity will be equal to 100 percent of the then outstanding principal balance, plus accrued interest.

The net proceeds of this offering will be added to the working capital of the Federal National Mortgage Association and used for general corporate purposes.

Debentures will be issued in book-entry form only. The minimum purchase is $10,000 and multiples of $5,000 thereafter. The offering is being made through Fannie Mae's Senior Vice President - Finance and Treasurer Gary L. Perlin, and Vice President and Assistant Treasurer Linda K. Knight, 3900 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016, assisted by a nationwide selling group of recognized securities dealers.

The issues that are offered on Aug. 8, 1990, will be free to trade at 8:20 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

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ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines passenger traffic

grew 10.4 percent last month compared with July 1989, NWA Inc., Northwest's parent, said today.

Northwest flew 5.02 billion revenue passenger miles in July, up 10.4 percent from the 4.55 billion revenue passenger miles flown in July 1989. Capacity was up 6.7 percent to 6.9 billion available seat miles in July from 6.47 billion a year earlier. Load factor increased 2.4 points to 72.7 percent. The airline's cargo ton miles decreased 9.3 percent to 146.4 million from 161.4 million a year earlier.

"Our load factor increase was the result of strong performance on both domestic and international routes," said A.B. Magary, Northwest executive vice president of marketing.

For the first seven months of 1990, Northwest flew 29.66 billion revenue passenger miles, an increase of 15.1 percent over the 25.78 billion flown in the first seven months of 1989.

Available seat miles were up 13.4 percent to 44.64 billion from 39.35 billion in 1989. Load factor for the seven-month period increased one point to 66.5 percent from 65.5 percent. Cargo ton miles were down 1.2 percent to 1.03 billion from 1.05 billion.

NORTHWEST AIRLINES TRAFFIC SUMMARY SYSTEM SCHEDULED SERVICE (000 omitted)

	July 1990	July 1989	Percent Change
Revenue Passenger Miles	5,020,509	4,547,105	10.4
Available Seat Miles	6,902,478	6,471,336	6.7
Passenger Load Factor (percents)	72.7	70.3	2.4 pts
Cargo Ton Miles	146,437	161,395	(9.3)

	Seven Months 1990	Seven Months 1989	Percent Change
Revenue Passenger Miles	29,661,526	25,775,038	15.1
Available Seat Miles	44,635,113	39,354,184	13.4
Passenger Load Factor (percents)	66.5	65.5	1.0 pts
Cargo Ton Miles	1,034,827	1,047,517	(1.2)

CONTACT: Doug Miller or Bob Gibbons of Northwest Airlines, (612) 726-2331.

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#90219p3088 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HARTFORD, CT (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The most popular jet engine in aviation history reached a major program milestone recently when American Airlines took delivery of its 1,000th Pratt & Whitney JT8D turbofan.

The JT8D, legendary in the industry for its excellent reliability record,

powers more than half of the world's commercial transports. More than 13,500 JT8Ds are in service with some 350 operators around the globe.

The milestone engine is a JT8D-200 series model, the newest and most advanced version of the JT8D family and exclusive powerplant for McDonnell Douglas' MD-80 twinjets.

Since the first JT8D went into service in 1964, these workhorse engines have flown nearly 400 million hours, and continue to log more than 25 million hours each year, carrying an estimated 1.7 million passengers each day to their destinations.

American has the world's largest fleet of JT8D engines powering Boeing 727s and 737s, and McDonnell Douglas MD-80 series aircraft. The airline operates the largest MD-80 fleet with some 190 of the JT8D-200 powered twinjets in service and an additional 70 of the aircraft on order.

Pratt & Whitney is an operating unit of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX) in Hartford, Conn.

CONTACT: Peg Ford of Pratt & Whitney, 203-565-9600

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#90219p3090 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - First Bank System, Inc. (NYSE: FBS) today announced that Edward R. Landes has been named senior vice president of corporate banking for First Bank N.A. Landes has most recently served as senior vice president of credit administration for FBS with responsibility for special industries. Landes succeeds James R. Rice, who resigned.

John D. Banker, who has been senior vice president of credit administration for corporate banking since 1989, will assume Landes' duties for special industries.

Landes has been associated with First Bank since 1966 when he joined First Bank Minneapolis. Since that time, he has held positions as a credit analyst, in human resources and in national, regional and metropolitan area commercial lending.

Banker, who has more than 18 years experience in commercial banking, joined FBS in 1983 as an executive vice president of First Bank La Crosse. He held a variety of positions in the credit and commercial lending areas of First Bank Minneapolis and First Bank St. Paul prior to assuming his current duties in 1989.

CONTACT: Chris Mahai of First Bank System, Inc., 612-370-5440

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OKLAHOMA CITY, (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Pit Stop Auto Centers Inc. today announced its decision to purchase shares of the company's common stock in one or more block transactions from Paulson Investment Co. Inc.

Tom E. Hays, president of the company, in announcing the decision, said, "The company believes that because of general market conditions the stock is undervalued and that it is in the company's best interest to purchase at the current market price."

The company purchased a block of 25,000 shares on Aug. 7 and may purchase up to an additional 35,000 shares in one or more transactions. The company may discontinue such repurchase program at any time.

CONTACT: Tom E. Hays of Pit Stop Auto Centers Inc., 405-843-9632

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - GTE Chairman and Chief Executive Officer James L. "Rocky" Johnson and Contel Chairman Charles Wohlstetter today signed a definitive agreement that will result in the largest merger in the history of the telecommunications industry.

The definitive agreement to merge GTE Corp. (NYSE: GTE) and Contel Corp. (NYSE: CTC), which was approved earlier today by each company's board of directors, "will create a new company with a market value of $25 billion," said Johnson.

A preliminary agreement was announced on July 12. The merger is subject to approval by both companies' stockholders as well as various regulatory agencies. As previously announced, GTE will issue 1.27 shares of its common stock in a tax-free exchange for each Contel common share, or about 200 million GTE shares. Both companies will hold special shareholder meetings in the fall, and expect to close the merger around year end.

"We have undertaken a comprehensive review of this merger, and have unanimously agreed with our counterparts at GTE that it is clearly in the best interests of both companies," said Wohlstetter. "I am absolutely certain that the new company resulting from this merger will be even greater than the sum of its parts."

Contel is a major local-telephone and cellular-service provider. Its telephone operations serve 2.6 million access lines in 30 states and it operates cellular systems through a 90 percent-owned subsidiary, Contel

Cellular, Inc. (NASDAQ: CCXLA), in 36 metropolitan areas and is a limited partner in 31 additional metropolitan areas. Contel's 1989 revenues were $3.1 billion, with net income of $287 million. It employs 22,000.

GTE subsidiaries operate in 46 states and 41 countries, with combined revenues and sales of $17.4 billion and net income of $1.4 billion in 1989. GTE is a leader in its three core businesses -- telecommunications lighting and precision materials -- providing products and services worldwide.

CONTACT: Harvey W. Greisman, 203-965-2903, or after 5 p.m., 203-255-6593 or in Washington, Julia Spicer, 202-463-5206, both of GTE; or Brian Farley, 404-391-8217, or after 5 p.m., 404-872-3321, or Benjamin Parrish, 404-391-8016, or after 5 p.m., 404-458-8574, both of Contel

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CALGARY, Alberta (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Alberta Natural Gas Co. Ltd. (Montreal, Toronto, Vancouver: ANG) announces that as an ongoing expression of confidence in its investment in both Magnesium Co. of Canada Ltd. (MAGCAN) and the recently constructed magnesium production facility near High River, Alberta, it is now continuing to fund both its and its partner's share of the costs associated with the extended start-up and commissioning of the High River Plant.

ANG is a Calgary-based company involved in the hydrocarbons, specialty chemicals and primary magnesium businesses.

CONTACT: W.J. Demcoe of Alberta Natural Gas Company Ltd, 403-260-9905.

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PHILADELPHIA, (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) today said that with its transition over the past two decades from a fossil fuel based generation mix to a nuclear based mix the company and its customers are well positioned to withstand significant increases in the price of oil resulting from the Mideast crisis.

PE now ranks third of the 206 investor-owned electric utilities in the United States in terms of nuclear power capacity and therefore southeastern Pennsylvania will be one of the least affected regions of the country as a result of the recent dramatic rise in oil prices.

In the first half of 1990, PE generated 73 percent of its total output to customers from nuclear power compared to only 4 percent from oil. In comparison, in 1972 just prior to the Arab Oil Embargo, PE had no electric

output from nuclear while 46 percent was generated by oil.

During the first half of 1990, PE estimates the fuel cost to generate by nuclear power was $350 million less than the cost would have been to produce the same amount of electricity with oil.

Although only 4 percent of PE's output this year has been generated by oil the company has seen higher oil prices over the past several days. For example, between Wednesday, Aug. 1, and Tuesday, Aug. 7, No. 6 oil increased about $3 per barrel and No. 2 oil has jumped about $5 per barrel.

Based on PE's projected generating budget, if the average price of oil increases by about $3 per barrel it would increase the typical customer's bill (500 kilowatt hours per month) by less than 1 cent per day.

Joseph F. Paquette, Jr., PE chairman and chief executive officer, said, "That while the last two decades have been a challenge to complete our nuclear construction program, we now are in a position of energy independence unlike many regions of this country. While customers of other electric utilities, unfortunately, will feel the effects of the latest Mideast crisis, our customers should see their rates remain virtually stable."

The company's nuclear generation is comprised of 6 units: two at the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station in York County, Pa., two units at the Limerick Generating Station in Montgomery County, Pa., and two units at the Salem Generating Station in Salem County, N.J.

CONTACT: Neil McDermott of Philadelphia Electric, 215-841-4122

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#90219p3099 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Columbia Gas System Inc. (NYSE: CG) announced today that it has elected to call for a mandatory sinking fund redemption on Oct. 1, 1990, $595,000 principal amount of its 9 percent debentures, series due Oct. 1, 1994.

The 9 percent debentures were issued in 1969 under the indenture of the corporation to Morgan Guaranty Trust Co., trustee, dated as of June 1, 1961, as amended and supplemented by 37 supplemental indentures, including the Thirteenth Supplemental Indenture dated as of Oct. 1, 1969, which provides for the issuance of the 9 percent debentures.

The 9 percent debentures will be redeemed at the office of Morgan Guaranty Trust Co., Corporate Trust Administration, 30 W. Broadway, New York, N.Y., 10015. The redemption is being made in accordance with the provisions of the indenture as amended and supplemented.

The debentures to be redeemed will be selected by lot from the holders of record on Aug. 17, 1990. Upon surrender of the debentures to the trustee, there will be paid in cash a redemption price equal to 100.20 percent of the principal amount of the debentures, plus accrued interest to the redemption date. On the redemption date, the debentures selected for redemption will cease to bear interest. Following the sinking fund redemption on Oct. 1, 1990, $20,250,000 of the 9 percent debentures will be outstanding.

CONTACT: William McLaughlin, 302-429-5443, or Bruce Quayle, 302-429-5261, both of Columbia Gas

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#90219p3101 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - At a hearing on Aug. 7, 1990, the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida set the case of United States v. General Development Corporation for trial commencing Jan. 7, 1991. That case involves a 16-count indictment charging General Development Corporation (NYSE: GDV) ("GDC"), its mortgage banking subsidiary, GDV Financial Corporation, and GDC's former president, Robert Ehrling and former chairman, David Brown, with mail fraud, conspiracy and certain related offenses.

The setting of the trial date resulted from a breakdown in settlement negotiations between GDC and the government. GDC announced that it regretted that the government had chosen not to proceed with an earlier agreement pursuant to which this dispute would have been resolved and substantial payments made to thousands of GDC house purchasers. GDC is now engaged in preparing its defense which it will pursue vigorously at trial.

CONTACT: Otis Wragg of General Development Corporation, 305-859-4256

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#90219p3102 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors will broaden its public relations function to enhance two-way communications with all its employees and increase the focus on the corporate goal of continuous improvement in customer satisfaction, it was announced today by Alan Smith executive vice president.

"GM is committed to putting the customer first," Smith said. "And our staffs must be organized to promote even greater teamwork and effectiveness in supporting the operating organization in achieving this objective." Smith said current public relations activities will be aligned

with GM's marketing function in a new staff, Communications and Marketing.

He said the new staff will integrate public relations and marketing expertise to achieve its communication goals, and that the renaming of the Public Relations Staff more accurately describes the overall function it has been performing -- communications.

"Communications is the heart of all corporate staff activity," Smith said. "We are depending on the communications experts to find ways to more effectively listen and communicate with all of our employees."

Smith also announced a realignment of product planning and economics activities in a new Product Planning and Economics Staff.

Effective immediately will be a realignment of the responsibilities of the group executives reporting to Smith, Dr. Marina v.N. Whitman and Charles Katko.

Dr. Whitman's new title will be vice president and group executive, Public Affairs and Marketing. Katko continues as vice president and group executive, Operating Staffs. Both executives will have additional responsibilities.

Reporting to Dr. Whitman, who was vice president and group executive, Public Affairs Staffs, will be the new Communications and Marketing Staff, headed by Vice President James B. Fitzpatrick, formerly vice president of the Marketing and Product Planning Staff. The existing Environmental Activities and Industry-Government Relations staffs will continue to report to Dr. Whitman.

Reporting to Katko, will be the newly aligned Product Planning and Economics Staff, headed by Vice President George C. Eads, formerly vice president of the Economics Staff. The current Customer Sales and Service Industrial Relations and Personnel Administration and Development staffs will continue to report to Katko.

Smith said the creation of the Product Planning and Economics Staff "will better integrate and enhance the corporation's product planning and vehicle forecasting capabilities while enabling its present economic forecasting and analysis activities to better serve operating units, here and overseas."

CONTACT: James W. Crellin of General Motors, 313-556-2027

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#90219p3107 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Southnet Corp. (OTC) announced today

that it has received an order from its London marketing affiliate, Metro Communications Ltd., for 4,000 World Cards to be distributed by TWA to the airline's international frequent flyers.

Southnet's World Card product provides universal access to discount long distance calling services from 15 countries. The product targets the international business traveler, especially those who are non-U.S. residents.

The company estimates that the TWA card distribution will generate $1.8 million in annual revenues.

Southnet Corp. is a Tampa, Fla.-based telecommunications company, providing long distance and operator services to customers throughout the U.S. and abroad. The company's stock is publicly traded on the Philadelphia Exchange and the OTC market. NASDAQ listing is pending.

For further information call 800-277-0055.

CONTACT: Robert J. Zradicka of Southnet, 813-287-2880.

-30- 1147

#90219p3108 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOMERVILLE, NJ (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Hoechst Celanese Corporation today announced second-quarter net earnings of $67 million on net sales of $1.5 billion.

Key Hoechst Celanese Corporation business activities completed in the second quarter include the acquisition of Union Carbide's primary alcohol ethoxylates business.

In the Hoechst Celanese Fibers and Film Group, year-to-year sales reflected the weak domestic economy in housing, furniture and apparel markets. This weakness was partially offset by strong demand for filter and cellulose acetate-flake products. Year-to-year earnings held constant due to reduced operating costs and strong demand for acetate products. In film and fiber intermediates, results from majority-owned Cape Industries were affected by weakened export pricing and lower demand.

In the Chemical Group, favorable acetic acid, vinyl acetate and acetic anhydride prices and volumes partially offset unfavorable pricing shortfalls in ethyelene glycol and ethylene oxide.

In Specialty Chemicals, earnings for the quarter were aided by strong performance in colorants and surfactants with improvements over the prior quarter in both dyes and pigments.

The Advanced Materials Group performance was unfavorably affected by the continued U.S. auto-industry slump and slowdown in the electronic market due to weak consumer demand.

In specialty products, earnings improved in the quarter, reflecting margin improvements in high-density polyethylene (HDPE) sales and changes in product mix.

The Hoechst Celanese Advanced Technology Group in the quarter filed a liquid use (soft drinks) petition with the Federal Food and Drug Administration for its Sunette(R) sweetener.

The Life Sciences Group net sales for the second quarter reached $156 million, due to continued strong sales of Claforan(R) antibiotic, aided by the newly developed market in outpatient therapy, Trental(R) hemorrheologic, and the animal-health fenbendazole product line.

Hoechst Celanese is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hoechst AG of West Germany, with leading positions in chemicals, fibers, advanced materials and technologies, and life sciences. Its 1989 sales were $6 billion, placing Hoechst Celanese 77th on the Fortune 100 list.

CONTACT: E.C. Norton of Hoechst Celanese, 201-231-3752, or (home) 201-447-5612.

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#90219p3109 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Cotton States Life and Health Insurance Co. (NASDAQ: CSLH) reported per share earnings from operations of $.16 for the second quarter, compared to $.11 for the year-earlier quarter.

Earnings from realized investment gains were $.01 for the quarter, compared to $.08 for the second quarter of 1989. Year-to-date earnings from operations increased $.13 per share to $.30 per share, while per share earnings from realized investment gains decreased from $.14 per share to $.08 per share.

COTTON STATES LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY
Unaudited Consolidated Summary of Earnings

6 mos. ended 6/30	1990	1989
Income:		
Premium income	$3,564,071	$3,622,184
Mortality and expense charges earned	1,951,171	1,441,401
Investment income	2,803,274	2,664,361
Realized investment gains	260,091	441,633
Brokerage and other income	244,206	24,360

Total income	8,822,813	8,193,939
Benefits and expenses:		
Life benefits and claims	2,938,462	3,017,274
A&H benefits and claims	1,272,282	1,277,280
Amortization of policy acquisition costs	840,045	705,745
Operating expenses	2,512,969	2,209,174
Total benefits and expenses	7,563,758	7,209,473
Earnings before federal income taxes	1,259,055	984,466
Federal income taxes	214,039	137,825
Net earnings	$1,045,016	$ 846,641
Earnings per share of common stock	$ 0.38	$ 0.31
Weighted average number of shares used in computing earnings per share	2,748,370	2,748,370
3 mos. ended 6/30	1990	1989
Income:		
Premium income	$1,767,520	$1,761,469
Mortality and expense charges earned	985,815	698,956
Investment income	1,366,902	1,368,678
Realized investment gains	62,991	282,990
Brokerage and other income	128,277	24,360
Total income	4,311,505	4,136,453
Benefits and expenses:		
Life benefits and claims	1,449,397	1,439,165
A&H benefits and claims	601,185	646,081
Amortization of policy acquisition costs	460,957	369,666
Operating expenses	1,220,380	1,076,083
Total benefits and expenses	3,731,919	3,530,995
Earnings before federal income taxes	579,586	605,458
Federal income taxes	98,529	84,631
Net earnings	$ 481,057	$ 520,827
Earnings per share of common stock	$ 0.17	$ 0.19
Weighted average number of shares used in computing earnings per share	2,748,370	2,748,370

CONTACT: Gary W. Meader, senior vice president/treasurer, 404-391-8786, or Cindy Swinson, vice president, secretary, general counsel, 404-391-8769, both of Cotton States

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#90219p3111 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Global Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: GIM), today announced a monthly dividend from net investment income of $0.075 per share payable Aug. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Aug. 17, 1990.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Mistele, secretary of Templeton Global Income Fund, Inc., 800-237-0738

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#90219p3116 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CRYSTAL LAKE, IL (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Sun Electric Corp. (NYSE: SE) announced today that sales for its second quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $71,212,000 compared to $45,744,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1989. For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, the company reported net earnings of $4,786,000, or $.55 per share, compared to a net loss of $335,000, or a $.04 per share loss, for the comparable 1989 period.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported sales of $128,074,000 compared to $94,513,000 for the comparable period in 1989. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported net earnings of $6,641,000, or $.78 per share, compared to a net loss of $2,151,000, or a $.30 per share loss, for the comparable 1989 period.

Included in net earnings for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990, is an extraordinary credit of $1,120,000, or $.13 per share, representing utilization of the company's net operating loss carryforward in the United States.

Gerald A. Kien, chairman, president and chief executive officer, stated, "There was a significant improvement in sales and operating results achieved by the company's North American automotive operations, principally in the United States, as a result of the sale of emission analyzers for use in California and other state-mandated vehicle emission testing programs. The company's international operations also reported improved sales and operating results, principally due to increased sales of automotive diagnostic and test equipment in Europe."

Sun Electric Corp. is primarily engaged in the design, manufacture, marketing and service of diagnostic, test and service equipment for the motor vehicle industry and motor vehicle manufacturers in more than 100 countries. The company also markets point-of-sale management systems for retail petroleum and convenience store operations.

CONTACT: Martin M. Ellen of Sun Electric, 815-459-7700

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#90219p3117 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEWTOWN SQUARE, PA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - ARCO Chemical Co. (NYSE: RCM) today filed a shelf registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering up to $400 million of debt securities which the company may offer from time to time as medium-term or long-term notes.

The securities will be offered on terms determined by market conditions at the time of sale. Proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes, including capital expenditures.

CONTACT: Millicent W. Pitts (investors), 215-359-3382, or Gerald T. Davis (media), 215-359-3198, both of ARCO Chemical

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#90219p3119 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. PETERSBURG, FL (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Trust America Service Corp. announced today that Sidney A. Lewis has resigned as chairman of the board and president of Trust America Service Corp. and that W. Michael Daughtry has resigned as executive vice president and secretary of Trust America Service Corp.

In addition, Lewis and Daughtry have resigned from all of their positions as directors and executive officers of Resource America Mortgage, Inc., The Florida Group, Inc., TARI Inc., SW Mortgage, Inc. and Trust America Acquisition Corp., which are subsidiaries of Trust America Service Corp.

All of such resignations were effective as of Aug. 2, 1990. Sidney A. Lewis and W. Michael Daughtry have informed the board of directors of Trust America Service Corp. that they will remain as two of the five members of the board of directors of Trust America Service Corp.

Trust America Service Corp. also announced that its board of directors has appointed Harold Erwin, who is currently chief operating officer of Trust America Service Corp., as president of Trust America Service Corp. In addition, Erwin has been appointed president and sole director of all of the subsidiaries of Trust America Service Corp.

Erwin has over 35 years of experience in the mortgage banking industry. The board of directors of Trust America Service Corp. also appointed Jorge Ojeda as secretary of Trust America Service Corp.

In addition, on Aug. 2, 1990, United States Bankruptcy Judge Thomas E. Baynes Jr. gave Bankruptcy Court approval for one Trust America Service Corp. subsidiary, SW Mortgage, Inc., to resume its business operations of originating, purchasing, packaging, and reselling FHA-insured and

VA-guaranteed mortgage loans.

Trust America Service Corp. and its subsidiaries are currently debtors-in-possesion under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. Headquartered in St. Petersburg, Fla., Trust America Service Corp. is a mortgage banking company which, prior to its filing for protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, was principally engaged in the business of purchasing, packaging, and reselling one to four family residential mortgage loans which were FHA-insured VA-guaranteed or FNMA and FHLMC eligible.

CONTACT: Harold Erwin of Trust America Service Corp., 813-343-5309

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#90219p3125 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Robson Petroleum Ltd. (Toronto: ROP.) announced today that revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1990 increased by 20 percent as compared to 1989, from $204,586 to $246,405. This increase is primarily the result of higher product prices received during 1990. A loss of $32,495 was incurred in the second quarter of 1990 compared with a loss of $42,707 during the same period of 1989.

Robson Petroleum Ltd. is traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol ROP.

CONTACT: Bruce Robson of Robson Petroleum Ltd., 918-585-3644

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#90219p3140 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard & Poor's Corporation has announced today that it will move General Instrument from its Composite Index of 500 stocks at the close of market trading Monday, Aug. 13, 1990. The company is being removed due to its acquisition by Forstmann Little & Company.

Pep Boys, a retailer of automotive parts and accessories, will replace General Instrument in the index.

CONTACT: Elliott Shurgin, 212-208-8709, or Christina Gombar, 212-208-8793, both of Standard & Poor's

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#90219p3141 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBUQUERQUE, NM (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Gas Co. of New Mexico (GCNM) reported today that the New Mexico Public Service Commission approved both

a Cost of Service and gas Transportation stipulation which will result in a $7 million, or 3.1 percent rate increase. The new rates are scheduled to be in effect on Aug. 15, 1990.

The rate case originated from GCNM's Jan. 2, 1990, request for a $19 million, 8 percent rate increase based upon a 14 percent return on equity. The Cost of Service stipulation, which was filed on June 20, 1990, was reached solely through negotiation and does not include a determination of rate base, capital costs, or expenses. Prior to this case, GCNM's rates were set on an allowed ROE of 12.7 percent.

CONTACT: Frank Craig, 505-848-2366, Michael Temple, 505-848-2210, or John Ault, 505-848-2454 all of Public Service Co. of New Mexico

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#90219p3143 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Vintage Petroleum Inc. (NYSE: VPI) announced today that, on Aug. 3, 1990, it completed its initial public offering of 4 million common shares at $10.50 per share and its common shares began trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

Of the total, 3.4 million shares were sold by the company and 600,000 shares were sold by a stockholder. The offering represents approximately one-fourth of the company's outstanding common shares. Dillon, Read & Co. Inc. and Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. acted as managing underwriters.

Net proceeds to the company of approximately $32.8 million will be used to fund the acquisition of certain oil and gas properties and to reduce indebtedness under the company's revolving credit facility.

Vintage Petroleum Inc. is an independent energy company engaged in the acquisition, exploitation and development of oil and gas properties and the marketing of natural gas and crude oil. The company is headquartered in Tulsa, and its common shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol VPI.

CONTACT: William C. Barnes of Vintage Petroleum Inc., 918-592-0101

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#90219p3146 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, Alberta (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Earnings for Ranger Oil Ltd. (Toronto: RGO) for the first half of 1990 increased to U.S. dollars 19.4 million (dollars 0.22 per share) compared to U.S. dollars 7.9 million (dollars 0.10 per share) for the same period in 1989. Final earnings in 1989 including extraordinary items of U.S. dollars 25.8 million (dollars 0.34 per share) were U.S. dollars 33.7 million (dollars 0.44 per share).

Funds generated from operations for the first six months of 1990 rose 59 percent to U.S. dollars 45.5 million from U.S. dollars 28.6 million for the same period in 1989.

Revenues increased 19 percent to U.S. dollars 71.2 million in the first six months of 1990 from U.S. dollars 60.0 million as a result of increased Canadian production.

Production averaged 17,853 barrels of oil and 43,489 thousand cubic feet of gas per day for the first half of 1990 (1989 - 16,118 barrels per day and 26,314 thousand cubic feet per day).

The company's working capital at June 30, 1990 was U.S. dollars 143.9 million.

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#90219p3151 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

VAN NUYS, CA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Pinkerton Security and Investigation Services (NASDAQ: PKTN) today announced the promotion of Daniel C. Weaver to chief financial officer.

Weaver, 44, previously served as vice president of finance. He had been undertaking many of the duties of chief financial officer during the past year following the departure in 1989 of former chief financial officer Roy Little.

Weaver joined Pinkerton as controller in November 1988 and assumed responsibilities for general accounting, accounts payable, accounts receivable, management information systems and payroll.

Upon Little's 1989 departure, Weaver became vice president of finance and took on additional duties involving financial analysis, cash management and various banking relationships.

Prior to joining Pinkerton, Weaver worked for two years at Beverly Enterprises, the national healthcare organization, and, prior to that, was involved in a small entrepreneurial venture capital funded healthcare organization as chief financial officer and later as president.

Weaver also worked at Six Flags Corp. from 1982-84 where he was involved in acquisitions and financings.

A 1967 graduate of Oregon State University with a bachelor's of science degree in business administration, Weaver joined Arthur Young and Co. that

same year. A certified public accountant, he spent the next 15 years at Arthur Young, serving in audit and consulting capacities at various staff and management levels for clients in Portland, Ore., Los Angeles, New York and Beverly Hills. Clients ranged from very simple small businesses to complex billion dollar companies involved in filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

As Pinkerton's chief financial officer, Weaver will report directly to Vice Chairman and Chief Operating Officer Albert Berger, and will oversee some 100 employees and the finances of a corporate operation that took in $600 million in gross revenues last year.

Pinkerton is one of the largest security and investigation companies in the United States with 208 offices in 40 states and two foreign countries and more than 40,000 employees. The company is based in Van Nuys.

CONTACT: Pete Sawyers of Pinkerton, 818-373-8804

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#90219p3152 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Atari Corp. (AMEX: ATC) today reported operating results for the second quarter 1990. Sales for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $84.9 million as compared to $82.7 million last year, an increase of $2.2 million. Net income was $1.5 million as compared to $300,000, an increase of $1.2 million.

Sales for the six month period ended June 30, 1990 were $170.4 million as compared to $171.5 million for the like period last year. Net income was $3.1 million as compared with $3.6 million for the like period last year.

Atari President Sam Tramiel stated, "The company is continuing to make progress in the rollout of its new products including the Lynx color handheld portable video game and the Portfolio, a handheld MS DOS command compatible computer. The Atari TT030 computer, based on the Motorola 68030 microprocessor, is being shipped during quarter three."

He further stated, "We are pleased by the continued broadening of our distribution base for our new products and we will continue to direct our resources toward building market share as we enter the traditional selling season ahead."

Atari Corp. is one of the largest companies in the world manufacturing and marketing personal computers and video games for the home, office and educational marketplaces.

CONTACT: Greg Pratt of Atari Corp., 408-745-2349

-30- 1557

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ROCKFORD, Ill. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Sundstrand Corp. (NYSE: SNS) board of directors has elected DeWayne Fellows corporate vice president, effective immediately.

Fellows, 46, joined Sundstrand in 1962, and has since held several positions of increasing responsibility. In 1985, Fellows was named chief financial officer for the U.S. operations of the Sundstrand-Sauer joint venture. In 1988 he was named corporate director of Financial Analysis and Planning, and then named controller of Aerospace Products. In March 1989, he was elected corporate controller and an officer of the corporation.

Sundstrand Corp., with 1989 sales of $1,595.4 million, is a market leader in the design, manufacture, and sale of a variety or properietary, technology-based components and subsystems for aerospace (67 percent of 1989 sales) and industrial (33 percent of 1989 sales) markets. Sundstrand's common stock is listed on the New York, Midwest, and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol SNS.

CONTACT: Corporate Communications of Sundstrand Corp., 815-226-6245

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#90219p3156 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKFORD, Ill. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Sunstrand Corp. (NYSE: SNS) today announced that Gary Hedges has been named corporate vice president, Personnel and Public Relations, replacing Phil Polgreen who has announced his intention to retire in January 1991. Hedges' assignment is effective immediately.

Hedges, 46, joined Sundstrand in 1965, and has held a number of positions of increasing responsibility in personnel and industrial relations. He was named vice president, Human Resources for the company's Advanced Technology Group in 1986.

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CONTACT: Corporate Communications, Sundstrand Corp., 815-226-6245

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#90219p3157 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROCKFORD, Ill. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Sundstrand Corp. (NYSE: SNS) today announced that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to five percent of its common stock in the open market, from time to time, at prevailing prices.

Sundstrand will hold the repurchased shares as treasury stock. The board authorized the action in the belief that Sundstrand's shares are undervalued at current prices.

Sundstrand has approximately 37.1 million shares of common stock outstanding. Today's closing price for Sundstrand common stock was $28.25 per share.

Sundstrand's board of directors also declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.275 per common share payable on Sept. 20, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 6, 1990. It will be the 185th consecutive quarter that the company has paid a dividend.

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CONTACT: Sundstrand Corp., corporate communications, 815-226-6245

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#90219p3158 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROCKFORD, Ill. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Sundstrand Corp. (NYSE: SNS) today announced that its board of directors has approved the expansion of the corporate executive office to include the following:

- Paul Donovan -- Executive vice president and chief financial officer, will be responsible for financial, accounting, administration, personnel and public relations activities. Donovan, 43, joined Sundstrand in 1988, and has served since December 1988, as vice president of finance, treasurer and chief financial officer.

- Robert Smuland -- Executive vice president and chief operating officer, aerospace, will be responsible for the corporation's aerospace businesses and government contracts and compliance activities. Smuland, 54, has been group vice president for the Advanced Technology Group since he joined Sundstrand in January 1989.

- Berger Wallin -- Executive vice president and chief operating officer, industrial, will be responsible for the corporation's industrial businesses and all environmental matters. Wallin, 60, was named group vice president for the Industrial Group in October 1989, and has more than 35 years of service with Sundstrand.

Legal and Internal Audit will continue to report directly to Harry Stonecipher, president and chief executive officer.

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CONTACT: Corporate Communications, Sundstrand Corp., 815-226-6245

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#90219p3165 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, (Aug. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $3.50 per barrel was effective Aug. 7, at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$26.50 for West Texas Intermediate $24.50 for West Texas Sour $26.50 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E39. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Sherri Zippay, 415-894-4581, or Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440, both of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

-30- 938

#90219p5342 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Chicago Milwaukee Corp. (NYSE: CHG), a closed-end, non-diversified, management investment company, today reported results for the first six months ended June 30, 1990.

Net increase in net assets resulting from operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were approximately $9.6 million. Net investment income totalled approximately $9.1 million for the first six months of 1990. This compared to $9.2 million for the first six months of 1989.

Net realized gain on sale of investments for the first six months ended June 30, 1990, totalled $1.7 million. This compared to $1.4 million in 1989, after excluding the net gain of $22.7 million from then sale of timberland.

Unrealized appreciation on investments for the six months ended June 30, 1990, declined $1.1 million during the first six months of the year. At June 30, 1990, unrealized gains in the securities portfolio were $92,000, while the unrealized change in real estate properties declined $1.2 million, primarily because of real estate sales during the first six months of the year.

On June 27, 1990, substantially all of the real estate properties, together with certain other assets and certain liabilities, totalling approximately $80 million, were transferred to CMC Heartland Partners. Heartland Partners, L.P. was formed to receive the real estate assets and business of Chicago Milwaukee Corp. in a spin-off as a dividend distribution to Chicago Milwaukee Corp. shareholders on June 30, 1990. Each shareholder received one partnership unit for each share of the Chicago Milwaukee Corp. common stock held as of June 18, 1990.

Following the spin-off, net assets at June 30, 1990, totalled $322.1 million. Net asset value per common share was $135.53 at June 30, 1990, based on 2,142,438 shares outstanding.

On July 23, 1990, the company announced that its board of directors authorized the expenditure of up to $30 million for repurchases of its outstanding shares of common stock and up to $15 million for repurchases of its preferred stock. Purchases will be made from time to time, in the open market, subject to availability of shares at prices deemed appropriate by Chicago Milwaukee Corp.

CONTACT: Leon F. Fiorentino of Chicago Milwaukee Corp., 312-294-0440, or Michael Millar of Dragonette Inc., for Chicago Milwaukee, 312-565-4300

-30- 2576

#90219p5343 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Global Utilities, Inc. (AMEX: TGU), today announced its initial monthly dividend from net investment income of $0.06 per share payable Aug. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Aug. 17, 1990.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Mistele, secretary of Templeton Global Utilities, Inc. 800-237-0738

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#90219p5355 08/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - At its regularly scheduled meeting, Aug. 7, 1990, the IE Industries Inc. (NYSE: IEL) Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of 51.5 cents per share on the common stock, for an indicated annual dividend of $2.06. The dividend is payable Oct. 1, 1990 for shareholders of record Sept. 14, 1990.

The Board of Directors also had preliminary discussions on strategies for the use of proceeds that will be generated by the merger of Telecom USA and MCI Communications Corp. The merger, announced in April, is expected to be complete in the third quarter. IE Industries holds a 9 percent interest in Telecom USA.

Under the agreement, MCI will acquire all outstanding shares of Telecom USA's common stock at a price of $42. For IE Industries, which holds 2.46 million shares, the sale will generate proceeds of $103 million.

The IE Industries Board is reviewing diversification alternatives and utility-related business opportunities for the use of these proceeds. Mr. Lee Liu, chairman of the board and president said the Board will be examining financial and strategic alternatives to use these proceeds wisely to create a positive impact on long-term shareholder value.

CONTACT: Colleen Reilly of IE Industries, 319-398-7288

-30- 1478
#90219u0173 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Cole cf	3	0	1	0	Kelly cf	4	1	2	1
DJames 1b	4	0	1	0	Sax 2b	4	0	0	0
Alomar c	4	0	0	0	Azocar lf	4	0	1	0
Maldonad dh	4	0	1	0	Balboni dh	3	0	1	0
CJames lf	4	1	2	0	Velarde dh	0	0	0	0
Jacoby 3b	4	0	1	1	Maas 1b	4	1	2	1
Snyder rf	4	0	1	0	Barfield rf	3	0	0	0
Brookens 2b	4	0	0	0	Hall rf	0	0	0	0
Fermin ss	2	0	0	0	Leyritz 3b	4	0	1	0
Swindell p	0	0	0	0	Geren c	3	0	1	0
					Tolleson ss	3	0	0	0
					Hawkins p	0	0	0	0
					Righetti p	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	1	7	1	Totals	32	2	8	2

Cleveland	000 100 000- 1
New York	100 001 00x- 2

E-Tolleson. LOB-Cleveland 7, New York 8. 2B-D James 2, Geren. HR- Kelly (10), Maas (11). SB-Cole (12), Kelly (24).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Swindell (L 7-7)	8	8	2	2	2	8
New York						
Hawkins (W 3-9)	8	7	1	1	2	3
Righetti (S 22)	1	0	0	0	0	1

T-2:32. A-22,205.

Umpires-Home, Joyce; 1b, Craft; 2b, Hickox; 3b, Morrison.

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MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 1b	5	1	2	0	Liriano 2b	4	0	2	0
Surhoff c	4	0	3	1	Bush rf	4	0	3	0
Sheffield 3b	4	0	0	1	Puckett cf	4	0	0	0
Parker dh	5	0	3	0	Gaetti 3b	4	0	0	0
Diaz 2b	0	0	0	0	Hrbek 1b	4	0	0	0
Yount cf	5	2	2	0	Harper c	4	0	1	0
Deer rf	4	0	1	0	Larkin dh	3	0	0	0
Felder rf	0	1	0	0	Mack lf	3	0	0	0
Hamilton lf	4	1	2	2	Newman ss	3	0	0	0
Gantner 2b	3	1	1	2					
Spiers ss	4	0	0	0					
Totals	38	6	14	6	Totals	33	0	6	0

Milwaukee	002 200 020- 6
Minnesota	000 000 000- 0

E-Spiers. DP-Milwaukee 1. LOB- Milwaukee 8, Minnesota 7. 2B-Molitor 2, Yount. 3B-Gantner. SB-Spiers (6). SF- Sheffield.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Robinson (W 5-3)	9	6	0	0	1	2
Minnesota						
Smith (L 5-10)	7 1-3	11	6	6	2	3

Berenguer	1 2-3	3	0	0	0	1

WP-Smith. T-2:33. A-27,583.

Umpires-Home, Reed; 1b, Cooney; 2b, Tschida; 3b, Brinkman.

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CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
Bradley rf	4	0	0	0	Seitzer 3b	3	1	0	0
Ventura 3b	4	1	1	0	Eisenrech cf	4	0	1	0
Calderon lf	4	1	1	0	Brett 1b	4	1	1	1
Pasqua dh	3	1	1	2	Tartabull rf	3	1	1	1
Fisk c	3	1	1	0	Jeltz rf	0	0	0	0
Thomas 1b	4	0	1	1	Perry dh	4	1	1	2
Johnson cf	4	0	1	0	Tabler lf	2	0	2	0
Fletcher 2b	4	0	1	1	Wilson cf	2	0	0	0
Guillen ss	3	0	1	0	Stillwell ss	4	0	1	0
					White 2b	2	0	0	0
					Boone c	3	1	2	0
Totals	33	4	8	4	Totals	31	5	9	4

Chicago	000 202 000- 4
Kansas City	005 000 00x- 5

E-Fisk 2. LOB-Chicago 4, Kansas City 5. 2B-Perry, Ventura, Fisk, Pasqua.
SB-Perry (12), Calderon (29). SF-Pasqua.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Perez (L 10-9)	2 1-3	8	5	5	1	0
Edwards	4 2-3	1	0	0	2	3
Radinsky	1	0	0	0	0	1
Kansas City						
SDavis (W 5-7)	5	5	2	2	0	1
Stottlemyre	0	2	2	2	1	0
Farr	3	1	0	0	0	1
Montgomery (S 16)	1	0	0	0	0	0

Stottlemyre pitched to 3 batters in the 6th.

WP-SDavis. T-2:39. A-38,084.

Umpires-Home, Young; 1b, Merriwether; 3b, McKean.

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TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson cf	4	1	2	0	Huson ss	5	0	0	0
Sojo ss	4	1	1	1	Franco 2b	3	1	2	2
Gruber rf	3	0	0	0	Palmeiro 1b	4	0	1	1
Bell lf	3	0	0	1	Sierra rf	3	0	1	0
McGriff 1b	4	0	1	0	Baines dh	4	1	1	0
Olerud dh	4	0	0	0	Daugherty lf	3	0	1	0
Mulliniks 3b	3	1	2	0	Petralli c	2	1	1	0
Borders c	4	0	2	0	Buechele 3b	2	0	0	1
Williams pr	0	0	0	0	Pettis cf	4	1	2	0
Lee 2b	4	0	2	1					
Totals	33	3	10	3	Totals	30	4	9	4

Toronto 002 000 001- 3
Texas 003 100 00x- 4

E-Petralli, Sierra, Stieb, Huson. DP- Toronto 1, Texas 1. LOB-Toronto 7, Texas 9. 2B-Wilson, Franco, Palmeiro. SB-Wilson (20), Gruber (9), McGriff (3). S-Petralli, Buechele 2. SF-Bell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Stieb (L 14-4)	6	7	4	4	3	4
Wills	2	2	0	0	1	2
Texas						
Hough (W 9-7)	7	7	2	1	3	7
Arnsberg	1 1-3	2	1	1	0	0
Rogers (S 11)	2-3	1	0	0	0	0

PB-Borders. T-3:01. A-28,638.

Umpires-Home, Palermo; 1b, Scott; 2b, Reilly; 3b, Garcia.

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#90219u0195 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - The United States Monday scored a significant victory in its quest to isolate Iraq. The U-S ambassador to the United Nations swayed his peers in the U-N Security Council to adopt tough sanctions against Baghdad. President Bush referred to the U-N action as an indication that many members of the world community would NOT tolerate Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's aggression.

Actions against Iraq on the economic and diplomatic fronts co-incided with a dramatic build-up of American military might in the Persian Gulf region. Five U-S warships left Norfolk, Virginia, Monday for the tense region. 34 U-S vessels are currently in Middle East waters, and it's reported that Fplanes have been re-located to Turkey from Britain.

The American Bar Association's Business Assembly Monday recommended that the A-B-A's House of Delegates vote to adopt a neutral stance on the abortion issue. In February, the House of Delgates decided to take a pro-choice stance on abortion. Advocates of a neutral stance say the pro-choice position has cost organization many members. The House of Delegates will consider the Assembly's endorsement Wednesday.

Security is reported tight preceding Tuesday's inauguration of Colombian President-elect Cesar Gaviria. The 43-year-old economist will take office amid extraordinary protective measures that include soldiers on nearly every block in Bogota . On Monday, traffic was suspended surrounding the specially built inauguration site. Security forces also searched vehicles for arms and explosives.

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#90219u0200 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - A doctor who performed blood-alcohol analysis on three Northwest Airlines pilots accused of flying while intoxicated says he stands by the accuracy of the tests. Dr. Harry McCoy testified Monday at the pilots' Minneapolis trial and said all three tested positively for alcohol. Despite the testimony, prosecutors still must prove the pilots' ability to fly was impaired.

Martha's Vineyard Community Services had some 63-thousand dollars added to its coffers Monday following the 12th annual Possible Dreams Auction. Among the items bid on by vactioners and residents at the island off the Massachussetts coast were a song by Carly Simon and a saliboat ride for two with former T-V news anchorman Walter Cronkite. The song by Simon netted the high bid, raking in 85-hundred dollars.

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#90219u0229 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

PRETORIA, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 7) UPI - The African National Congress's immediate suspension Tuesday of its nearly 30-year guerrilla war against minority white rule came in a deal with the government for phased release of political prisoners and the return of exiles.

ANC leader Nelson Mandela and reformist President Frederik de Klerk appeared together at a news conference after nearly 15 hours of talks in the capital, declaring in a joint statement the deal ''can become a

milestone on the road to true peace and prosperity.''

The historic agreement has opened the way ''to proceed toward negotiations on a new constitution'' to abolish apartheid and end the country's protracted racial conflict, they said, and exploratory talks on the framework for such negotiations will begin soon.

Mandela, 72, said, ''There will be no infiltration of men and arms into South Africa and any related activity to military action will be suspended '' referring to the limited guerrilla war waged since December 1961 but which has been at a virtual standstill for many months.

''We hope we will be able to communicate with our people and inform them of what we have decided,'' he said.

The nation's two most powerful men appeared tired, but entered the conference hall smiling after leading their delegations through the talks at The Presidency - an 85-year-old mansion that once served as the official residence of governors general under British rule and later of South African presidents.

In Cape Town, Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu welcomed the announcement as ''tremendous news'' and commended the ANC ''very warmly for its actions.''

But the 1984 Nobel Peace laureate warned the government ''very sharply that if it does not act very firmly indeed to bring the police under control, then it will wreck the prospects of a negotiated settlement.''

In Washington, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said, ''We welcome the report of a cease-fire in South Africa. We are very encouraged and congratulate both parties for having made this important step forward.''

The two sides accepted recommendations of a working group on how to handle the sensitive issue of releasing an estimated 1,500 political prisoners that also will allow for the safe return of some 20,000 political exiles.

What constitutes a political offense is broadly defined, and laws under which pardons or indemnity may be granted are stated. A timetable calls for releases to begin as a result of presidential pardons on Sept. 1, mass indemnity grants by Oct. 1 and sets a final completion date of April 30, 1991.

''We think what has happened today forms an important turning point, which in all probability, will result in a much more peaceful situation in South Africa,'' said de Klerk, who has forged ahead with his racial reform plans in spite of a right-wing backlash.

Asked about tradeoffs, the president said, ''We're not dealing with fixing the price of a house. We're dealing with the future of the country.''

Mandela described the suspension of the ANC's armed struggle as a ''significant concession'' in the negotiations but noted the government had still ''not succeeded'' in curbing police abuses. The limited guerrilla war began after the government in 1960 outlawed the ANC.

The two leaders engaged in a brief but sharp debate over ANC allegations of police excesses.

Mandela said, ''We're dissatisfied with the government in this regard.''

De Klerk said, ''It's the viewpoint of the government that the police must at all times deal with all problems in an even-handed manner.''

The government did not meet ANC demands for the repeal of sweeping security legislation but pledged ''an ongoing review'' and the scrapping of some of the most contentious elements of the Internal Security Act.

The government also agreed to ''consider'' lifting a state of emergency in Natal province ''as early as possible in the light of positive consequences that should result from this accord.''

It was the second formal session between the government and the ANC since de Klerk lifted a 30-year ban on the anti-apartheid alliance in February. They first met May 2-4 in Cape Town in a ground-breaking session to establish a climate of trust and set an agenda of specific issues for working groups.

The talks followed several weeks of public exchanges over an alleged plot by the ANC's ally, the South African Communist Party, to rise up if the power-sharing talks fail. Using its sweeping powers under the Internal Security Act, the government detained without charge several senior ANC and SACP leaders.

This issue too was expected to be raised Monday, but both parties appeared to have brushed it aside. De Klerk said his government remained ''as firmly opposed to communism as ever.'' The latest agreement was ''no declaration to the effect that we've gone soft on communism.''

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#90219u0273 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak

Boston	58	49	.542	-	36-18	22-31	7-3	L-1
Toronto	57	52	.523	2	29-26	28-26	4-6	L-1
Baltimore	53	54	.495	5	26-26	27-28	6-4	L-1
Detroit	52	58	.472	7 1/2	26-30	26-28	4-6	W-1
Cleveland	49	59	.454	9 1/2	25-26	24-33	3-7	L-2
Milwaukee	46	61	.430	12	24-32	22-29	2-8	W-1
New York	43	64	.402	15	23-29	20-35	7-3	W-2
West								
Oakland	68	41	.624	-	33-20	35-21	6-4	W-1
Chicago	63	42	.600	3	31-23	32-19	6-4	L-1
Texas	57	51	.528	10 1/2	30-24	27-27	8-2	W-1
Seattle	57	52	.523	11	29-27	28-25	6-4	W-2
California	52	57	.477	16	26-27	26-30	4-6	L-1
Kansas City	50	57	.467	17	27-24	23-33	5-5	W-2
Minnesota	51	59	.464	17 1/2	28-29	23-30	4-6	L-3

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(AUG. 7) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	63	43	.594	-	30-17	33-26	7-3	W-2
New York	61	44	.581	1 1/2	35-16	26-28	5-5	L-3
Montreal	55	53	.509	9	30-23	25-30	2-8	L-5
Philadel.	51	55	.481	12	26-28	25-27	3-7	L-2
Chicago	51	57	.472	13	26-28	25-29	7-3	W-2
St. Louis	50	59	.459	14 1/2	27-32	23-27	6-4	W-3
West								
Cincinnati	62	44	.585	-	32-17	30-27	3-7	W-1
San Fran.	58	50	.537	5	31-24	27-26	6-4	L-2
Los Angeles	54	52	.509	8	32-24	22-28	6-4	W-1
San Diego	48	58	.453	14	28-30	20-28	6-4	L-1
Houston	48	61	.440	15 1/2	34-21	14-40	7-3	W-5
Atlanta	40	65	.381	21 1/2	22-29	18-36	1-9	L-5

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#90219u0308 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - After a season of spectacular losses, a ''boring game'' was all Andy Hawkins needed to snap his slump.

Hawkins won for the first time at Yankee Stadium since Sept. 30, 1989 by scattering seven hits over eight innings Monday to lead New York to a 2-1 victory over the Cleveland Indians.

Hawkins, who has been characterized as a hard-luck loser this year, had been 0-7 in 10 home starts this season.

''It's really strange, I've pitched well enough to win here on a number of occasions,'' Hawkins said. ''I knew I'd win a game here this year. This is my home park, you can't dread pitching at home.''

Hawkins, 3-9, also walked two and struck out three. Dave Righetti pitched the ninth for his 22nd save.

Some of Hawkins recent games have been anything but boring.

The right-hander had been 1-5 over his last 11 starts. Among those losses were a no-hitter he tossed in Chicago, an outing in which he pitched 11 shutout innings and another when Chicago's Melido Perez pitched a six-inning rain-shortened no-hitter at Yankee Stadium.

Kevin Maas, who has filled in for the injured Don Mattingly at first, blasted a solo homer into the upper deck to provide half of the offense. Roberto Kelly provided the other half with a first-inning home run, his second in two at-bats. Kelly belted a two-run homer in the ninth Sunday to give New York a 5-3 victory.

Maas snapped a 1-1 tie in the sixth inning off loser Greg Swindell, 7-7, with his 11th homer in 92 at-bats this season. The homer was Maas' seventh at Yankee Stadium, where the left-handed hitter takes advantage of the short right-field wall.

Maas went 2-for-4 to bolster his claim that he can handle left-handed pitching.

The Indians tied it 1-1 in the fourth on Brook Jacoby's RBI single.

--- AROUND THE AL ---

Elsewhere in the American League, Milwaukee blanked Minnesota 6-0, Kansas City downed Chicago 5-4 and Texas edged Toronto 4-3.

Brewers 6, Twins 0

At Minneapolis, Ron Robinson fired a six-hitter to record the first shutout of his career and help Milwaukee snap an eight-game losing streak. Darryl Hamilton and Jim Gantner drove in two runs apiece. Robinson, improved to 5-3 and Roy Smith, 5-10, gave up 11 hits in 7 1-3 innings to take the loss.

Royals 5, White Sox 4

At Kansas City, Gerald Perry doubled home two runs and scored another in Kansas City's five-run third inning to boost Kansas City out of the AL West Cellar. Storm Davis, improved to 5-7 and Jeff Montgomery, worked the ninth for his 16th save. Melido Perez, 10-9, allowed all five runs to absorb the loss.

Rangers 4, Blue Jays 3

At Arlington, Texas, Julio Franco's two-run double highlighted a three-run third inning to lead Texas to its eighth victory in their last 10 games. Charlie Hough, 9-7, scattered seven hits and two runs over seven innings for the win. Kenny Rogers earned his 11th save. Dave Stieb, 14-4, took the loss.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - With international diplomatic, economic and military pressure answering Iraqi aggression in the Middle East, the United States sought information Tuesday on 28 Americans believed to be among 300 Westerners seized in Kuwait and transported by bus to Baghdad.

A State Department official said the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad was checking on a ''sketchy report'' that 12 of the 28 Americans had arrived in Iraqi capital. There was no word on their location and U.S. officials restated that there was not enough information available to classify them as hostages.

Bush scheduled a cabinet meeting Tuesday morning and also planned to meet with CIA officials in the afternoon.

Meanwhile, Bush called for ''full and total implementation'' of Monday's United Nations Security Council decision to impose an economic and military embargo on Iraq as punishment for its invasion of oil-rich Kuwait last Thursday. The embargo could include a military blockade.

Approved by the U.N. Security Council by a 13-0 vote, Bush said the embargo ''gives an awful lot of muscle to countries and we want to see them use it. ... Certainly petroleum is considered under that definition, subject to being cut off.''

The world developments occurred as tensions continued to mount over the stand-off that began with the massive military invasion directed by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Pentagon and administration officials reported that Iraqi troops remained massed dangerously near Saudi Arabia border, despite earlier assurances

from Saddam that the 100,000-strong invasion force would be withdrawn.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater described the situation as ''extremely serious'' because of the ''large and threatening'' force along the border and noted with concern the hike in gasolines costs and threat to U.S. strategic interests in gulf-state oil reserves.

Bush said he was ''ruling out nothing at all'' in considering his next moves.

On Monday, five warships left Norfolk, Va., to join U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf region where a total of 49 warships - some with aircraft capabilities - are expected to position themselves within striking distance of Iraq by next week.

The military buildup also included ships from France, Great Britain and the Soviet Union. Those efforts coincided with intensified diplomatic efforts in the region.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney arrived in Saudi Arabia to persuade leaders to shut off the Iraqi oil pipeline through their nation and to seek permision to use Saudi Arabia as a staging site for possible military action against Iraq.

In addition, Bush ordered Secretary of State James Baker to Turkey to confer with President Turgut Ozal. Much of Iraq's oil production flows to European markets through pipelines that cross Turkey, a NATO member that is home to several U.S. Air Force bases.

Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner all praised the U.N. Security Council decision.

Asked if he thought a blockade would be necessary, Mulroney said, ''If you look at the geography, it certainly wouldn't hurt at all.''

Thatcher added that if the sanctions were not effective, a blockade would be considered. ''If not, we shall ... have to jointly consider collective action of the kind of thing such as a blockade.''

On the homefront, the White House urged pricing restraint following cries that U.S. oil companies are capitalizing on Middle East turmoil by inflating gasoline prices when market factors do not justify such action.

Accusations of unjustified increases, or price gouging, touched off an avalanche of angry reaction from consumers and lawmakers. The complaints prompted the Justice Department to say that it would look into the matter.

Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., estimated that American consumers are paying between $12 million and $42 million extra each day for gasoline because of oil company ''profiteering.''

Self-serve unleaded gasoline was averaging about $1.15 a gallon Monday, spokesman George Petrie of AAA said.

The United States gets less than 5 percent of its crude oil from Iraq and Kuwait - and now has a three-to-four month oil reserve.

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#90219u0313 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - Thousands of residents who were forced to flee from a 3,300-acre wildfire in a central Oregon resort area were allowed to return to their homes, while weary firefighters struggled to surround the blaze that destroyed 20 homes.

Temperatures climbed toward 100 degrees Monday, hampering efforts to combat the fire, which was about half-contained. Fire bosses said they did not expect to completely contain the blaze until Tuesday and hoped to have it under control by late Thursday.

More than 2,000 homes were evacuated, and an estimated 5,000 residents and visitors were forced to flee during the weekend as the fire raced over 6 square miles in a residential and resort area southwest of Bend, state Department of Forestry spokesman Doug Decker said.

Twenty homes, some worth up to $300,000, burned down in three subdivisions scattered among scenic lodgepole pines in central Oregon's high desert country, about 120 miles southeast of Portland. Authorities had believed 28 homes were lost but determined the other eight were sheds or barns.

''The folks that owned the destroyed homes were allowed back in with some professional escorts, such as the Red Cross, so they can deal with their loss,'' said Don Ferguson, another state forestry spokesman.

Roadblocks were posted to keep out sightseers and the general public, Ferguson said. There were no injuries, but damage was estimated at more than $5 million.

About 1,100 firefighters were working the fire with 65 fire engines, 14 bulldozers, six helicopters and six air tankers.

Millworker Ron Beckingham and his wife, Pat, were among the first to return to their home.

''It looked like kind of a ghost town,'' Beckingham said. ''It did look a

little spooky, but we're just happy to be back in here.''

Pat Beckingham said they were forced to leave the house in a mess and with dishes in the sink when they fled Saturday night, but considering what others lost, she said, ''It was absolutely wonderful to think that we had a home to come to.''

In terms of residential losses, it was the state's most destructive wildfire since 1936, when a blaze roared through Bandon on the southern Oregon coast, killing 11 people and destroying 750 homes and businesses.

Myra Lee, administrator of the state Emergency Management Division, said the fire could be ''sort of a forerunner of problems to come'' in Oregon, as housing subdivisions push farther and farther into forested areas.

''As people continue to build in those areas, these problems are going to increase,'' Lee said. ''I hope we don't get into the kind of thing California has experienced.'' Hundreds of homes in Santa Barbara, Calif., were destroyed by a wildfire earlier this year.

Terry Marsha of the National Weather Service predicted more lightning strikes - a common cause of forest fires - in much of central Oregon late in the week.

''It's going to be a pretty hairy week,'' he said. ''I'd be awfully surprised if we get out of this week without a major lightning outbreak.''

Four other fires were also burning in Oregon, the biggest covering 1,250 acres by late Monday. That fire was 60 percent contained, and the others were all surrounded by fire lines late Monday.

In central California's Sequoia National Forest, residents of about 150 houses in the mountain community of Wofford Heights were ordered to evacuate Monday in the face of a 950-acre fire fanned by erratic winds.

And nearly two dozen lightning-caused fires raged out of control in remote hard-to-reach areas of the Sierra National Forest east of Fresno.

The fires were started by dry lightning storms Sunday, said Sue Exline, a spokeswoman for the U.S. Forest Service.

''We have confirmed 23 fires and there could a number of smaller ones that we haven't spotted yet,'' Exline said. She said the largest of the fires had burned 75 acres.

Most of the blazes were located in the John Muir and Ansel Adams wilderness areas, where there are no structures, and about 50 smokejumpers were being flown in from as far away as Montana.

Two 500,000-volt power lines from the Pacific Northwest were knocked out Monday night by soot from the northern California fires, causing a blackout that left several thousand residents of Sacramento without power for about three hours. The soot caused arcing on the lines, and they automatically shut-down.

Firefighters used helicopters Monday to dump water on a 5,300-acre blaze burning on northeastern Utah's Uinta-Ouray Indian Reservation.

Officials said the fire was started last week by lightning and created an ''eceptionally hazardous situation for the firefighters,'' 530 of whom were on the lines.

The fire about 150 miles southeast of Salt Lake City was burning in Douglas fir, pinion pine, juniper and scrub oak - prime deer, elk and mountain sheep habitat.

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#90219u0314 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - Willie McGee threw his glove into the stands and Rex Hudler threw his body all over the field.

Hudler did it all for the St. Louis Cardinals Monday night, singling, doubling, tripling, running the bases with abandon and making several fine defensive plays in left field to power the Cardinals to a 5-1 victory over the New York Mets.

''It's great to have a job that thousands of other Americans and people around the world would love to have,'' Hudler, a utility infielder by trade, said. ''Those are the people I play for.

''But one game doesn't make it all. You don't get too high or too low.''

McGee looked pretty low after dropping Ron Darling's fly ball in the second inning that gave New York its only run. It was McGee's 16th error of the season in center field, and he commemorated the occasion by turning his glove into a souvenir when he returned to the dugout.

''It's not like he loafed after it,'' said Cardinals Manager Joe Torre. ''I can never criticize anybody for trying hard. And he's trying as hard as he can.''

So is Hudler, and that fact isn't escaping Torre either.

''It's the way he goes about it,'' Torre said. ''He busts his tail. He's not leaving anything in the bag, that's for sure.''

Mets Manager Bud Harrelson, whose club dropped one and one-half games behind the Pittsburgh Pirates in the NL East, agreed.

He didn't look bad in the field, either, making a diving grab on the warning track to rob Gregg Jefferies of extra bases in the third.

Even the turf burns from his less-than-graceful landing didn't bother Hudler.

Then, after committing a two-base error on a sinking Dave Magadan line-drive in the fifth, Hudler redeemed himself by throwing out Magadan at the plate as he tried to score on Kevin McReynolds' single.

Hudler, with little respect for his body, also did a fair impersonation of Pete Rose on the base paths, as he belly flopped hard into third on his triple.

''Sometimes I get too excited out there,'' Hudler admitted. ''It's great to entertain these people. They're the best fans in the world.''

Hudler's entusiasm might just be contagious. The Cardinals won the final three games of the four-game series from the Mets and are 4-1 under Torre.

Cardinal starter Joe Magrane, 7-12, walked four and struck out three. Lee Smith pitched 1 1-3 innings for his 19th save.

Mets starter Ron Darling, 4-6, took the loss.

--- AROUND THE NL ---

Elsewhere in the National League: Pittsburgh crushed Philadelphia 10-1 in the first game of a double-header, and won the nightcap 4-3 in 10 innings, and Houston topped San Francisco 4-1.

Pirates 10, Phillies 1, 1st game
Pirates 4, Phillies 3, 10 innings, 2nd game

At Philadelphia, Barry Bonds homered and knocked in five runs and Bobby Bonilla stroked a career-high five hits in the first game of Pittsburgh's double-header sweep. Randy Tomlin pitched a five-hitter in his major-league debut. Terry Mulholland dropped to 6-5.

In the nightcap, Sid Bream doubled home Bonilla in the tenth inning to make a loser of Roger McDowell, 3-6. Mike LaValliere hit a three-run home run in the sixth inning to tie the score at 3-3. The Pirates' two wins gave them a one and one-half game lead over the New York Mets in the NL East.

Astros 4, Giants 1

At Houston, Bill Doran hit a two-run homer and scored twice and Bill Gullickson scattered eight hits to lead the Astros to their fifth straight victory. Gullickson, 8-8, hurled his first complete game since Sept. 14, 1987. The right-hander spent the last two seasons in Japan. Don Robinson fell to 8-2.

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(AUG. 7) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... U-P-I brings you the news, next:

Saudi and U-S military officials are bracing for a possible Iraqi attack against Saudi Arabia despite assurances from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that he has NO intention of doing so. Saddam has rounded up 28 Americans and hundreds of other foreigners in occupied Kuwait.

The U-N Security Council yesterday voted to impose an economic and military embargo against Iraq... compelling all 159 member states to abide immediately by the resolution. It's one of the stiffest penalties ever handed down by the international body. President Bush praised the action.

In Washington, the Justice Department is examining allegations that U-S oil companies are taking advantage of the Middle East turmoil by inflating gasoline prices. There are charges that market factors do NOT justify such increases. A Senate panel will hold a hearing today.

The State Department says one of two Liberian rebel factions is holding a number of foreign hostages, including one American. U-S Marines landed in the capital of Monrovia on Sunday and evacuated 62 Americans, two Italians a Canadian and eight Liberians from the West African country. About 300 Americans remain.

Forecasters issued a hurricane warning last night for parts of Mexico as Tropical Storm Diana heads west toward the coast. Diana was centered about 200 miles east of Tuxpan, Mexico. Officials in Miami say Diana is expected to strengthen before making landfall this afternoon.

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#90219u0332 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - The South African goverment and the African National Congress have reached a major milestone on the way to dismantling apartheid . The A-N-C announced the suspension of its nearly 30-year guerrilla war against the Pretoria government, which in turn pledged to

release political prisoners.

Voters in Georgia today select a Democratic gubernatorial candidate... either former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young or Lieutenant Governor Zell Miller. Young is trailing badly in the polls against Miller... and made a final plea to voters yesterday in his bid to become Georgia's first black governor.

Thousands of residents in central Oregon are returning to their homes after being forced to flee from a 33-hundred-acre wildfire. The blaze so far has destroyed 20 homes. Temperatures climbed toward 100 degrees yesterday, hampering efforts to combat the fire, which was about half-contained.

In Chicago, the American Bar Association approved a NON-binding resolution to rescind its pro-choice policy on abortion and instead adopt a neutral stance. The vote came after Attorney General Thornburgh suggested the Bush administration might pay less heed to A-B-A ratings of judicial nominees if the policy was kept.

In Bogota, Colombia's youngest president will be sworn in this afternoon under heavy security to guard against feared attacks by the drug lords he has vowed to crush. Bulletproof glass has been put in place to protect Cesar Gaviria, his family, outgoing President Virgilio Barco and other officials.

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#90219u0344 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 7) UPI - Lithuania's old capital of Kaunas has dismantled its monument to Vladimir Lenin, and citizens in a major Ukrainian city signed a petition to haul down their Lenin statue n a growing repudiation of the Soviet state's founder.

The official Tass news agency said the conservative faction of the divided Lithuanian Communist Party protested Monday's dismantling of the Lenin statue in Kaunas, an 11th-century city that was Lithuania's capital when the Baltic nation was independent between the two world wars.

In Lvov, an industrial city of 742,000 people in the rebellious western Ukraine, anti-Communists are collecting signatures on a petition to pull down its statue to Lenin, who instituted Communist rule in Russia in November 1917, the independent Interfax news service said.

Two smaller western Ukrainian towns, Chervonograd and Sosnovka, took Lenin off the pedestals in their main squares last week. Another city in the Ukraine, Ternopol, has decided to dismantle its Lenin monument.

The mounting assault on Lenin got the go-ahead when the Soviet Communist Party's 28th Congress said in its platform last month that he was just one many great socialist thinkers such as Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels.

The dethroning of Leninism-Marxism as the ruling ideology in the vast country set off demands for Lenin memorials to be pulled down.

At the two sessions of the Congress of People's Deputies last year and a third in March, some deputies suggested Lenin be taken out of the mausoleum in Red Square and buried.

Lenin, who died Jan. 21, 1924, was embalmed and placed in the mausoleum on the orders of his successor, Josef Stalin.

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#90219u0384 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (AUG. 7) UPI - Newly christened Hurricane Diana took aim at the Mexico's Caribbean coast Tuesday with high winds and heavy rains as coastal regions prepared for up to 8 inches of rain.

Diana was upgraded from a tropical storm at 5:30 a.m. EDT as winds reached 78 mph and the hurricane continued on its westward path toward Mexico, where storm warnings extended almost the entire Gulf Coast.

At 5 a.m. EDT, the center of Diana was located about 115 miles east northeast of Nautla, Mexico, near latitude 20.5 north, longitude 95.7 west and was moving due west at 14 mph.

Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami said Diana was expected to make landfall on Mexico's Gulf Coast Tuesday afternoon.

The Mexican government issued a hurricane warning from Lerdo de Tejada north to La Pesca and a tropical storm warning from La Pesca north to Boca Jesus Maria, about 100 miles south of Brownsville, Texas.

Small boats were advised to remain in port from Baffin Bay, Texas, southward.

Tides between 2 feet and 4 feet above normal were expected at the center and to the north of where the storm makes landfall.

Diana is the second hurricane of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from May 1 to Nov. 30.

The storm emerged early Monday over the gulf after lashing the Yucatan with 45 mph winds and moderately heavy rain during a day-long trek across the peninsula. The storm swept ashore Sunday on the Yucatan's east coast

north of Chetumal.

In the Atlantic, Tropical Storm Cesar continued to weaken, as expected, and was downgraded to a tropical depression.

Forecasters reported the formation of another depression just northeast of Cesar. It was centered near latitude 37.5 north and longitude 33.5 west.

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#90219u0497 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

GALLMAN, MI (AUG. 7) UPI - A spring wild turkey hunting trip has landed impeached former U.S. District Judge Walter L. Nixon Jr. back in jail on a charge of violating parole by carrying a gun.

Nixon, paroled in November on two 1986 perjury convictions, was arrested at his Ocean Springs home Monday and taken to the Copiah County Detention Center near Jackson.

A preliminary hearing is set for Thursday to determine whether Nixon's parole should be revoked for violating a federal statute that prohibits convicted felons from carrying firearms. It will also be determined whether he should be released on bail.

Tom Kowalski, regional administrator for the Parole Commission in Atlanta, said the closed-door hearing will be held at the detention center.

Nixon, 61, was convicted in federa court in Hattiesburg in 1986 of lying to a federal grand jury about his involvement in a state drug case. He was sentenced to five years in prison.

The Senate impeached Nixon last Nov. 3, stripping him of his judgeship and $89,500 annual salary. The action came 18 days before he was paroled after serving nearly two years of the perjury sentence.

Nixon and a long-time friend were convicted July 6 of violating state game laws by hunting wild turkey last April over a baited field, a misdemeanor, in rural Jackson County. He is appealing a $200 fine.

When arrested on the hunting trip, investigators testified Nixon had a 12-gauge shotgun and a rifle with a telescope attached. They acknowledged, however, that both guns were in cases.

Whether Nixon was carrying a gun ''is really the purpose of the hearing,'' said Kowalski.

If the examiner rules Nixon's case should go foward, a final hearing would be held to and the examiner would recommended whether to revoke Nixon's

parole and whether he should serve some or all of the three years remaining on his perjury sentence, he said.

Kowalski said the seven-member commission has the authority to give Nixon as little as a reprimand and as much as the remaining three years of his sentence.

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#90219u0597 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - Pakistan state-run television reports President Ghulam Khan has imposed a state of emergency one day after stripping Benazir Bhutto of her job as prime minister. Sources say leading members of Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party have gone into hiding out of fear of reprisals. Khan removed Bhutto from office yesterday, charging her 20-month-old administration with nepotism and corruption.

Forecasters say Tropical Storm Diana has reached hurricane strength. This morning, Diana was packing 75-mile-an-hour winds and was centered 65 miles east northeast of Nautla, Mexico, moving west at about 15 miles-an-hour. The Mexican government has issued a hurricane warning from Lerdo de Tejada northward to La Pesca.

The United States is trying to determine the fate of 28 Americans believed to be among 300 Westerners seized in Kuwait and taken to Baghdad. A State Department official says the U-S Embassy in Baghdad is checking a ''sketchy report'' that 12 of the Americans had arrived in the Iraqi capital. U-S officials say there is NOT enough information to classify the Americans as hostages.

The Persian Gulf crisis caused crude oil prices to soar and stock prices to plummet this morning in Tokyo. The key Nikkei average fell nearly 950 points to close at 27-thousand-653, the year's lowest closing. One Tokyo broker says people are realizing the situation probably woN'T be resolved quickly. In New York yesterday, blue-ship stocks suffered their worst loss since the October 1987 mini-crash.

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#90219u0601 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - The State Department says one American is among 14 or 15 foreigners taken hostage by Liberian rebels. Spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler says the foreigners were taken from the Africa Hotel in downtown Monrovia yesterday. She says there is NO indication the hostages have been harmed. U-S Marines have evacuated 73 people from the West African nation since landing Sunday.

The controversial abortion issue has turned out to be the focus of this

year's American Bar Association convention in Chicago. The A-B-A's Assembly held a preliminary vote yesterday to rescind the organization's pro-choice stance on abortion. The A-B-A is considering adopting a neutral stance on the issue. Abortion rights advocates say they'll work to defeat the neutrality proposal.

Senators blasted a savings and loan owner yesterday for NOT informing federal regulators about legal problems involving a company he controlled before he bought 15 failed Texas thrifts in 1988. During the Senate Judiciary subcommittee hearing, Arizona businessman James Fail admitted he mentioned only the fraud charge leveled against him personally, but omitted the fraud conviction against his company.

Thousands of central Oregon residents who were evacuated this weekend because of a 33-hundred-acre wildfire are back in their homes. Firefighters continue to battle the blaze that has consumed 20 homes near the town of Bend. Officials originally thought the fire had consumed 28 homes, but eight structures were sheds or barns. Fire bosses hope to have the fire contained today.

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#90219u0673 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

CARSON, CA (AUG. 7) UPI - Union negotiators for Southern California supermarket clerks and butchers Tuesday reported significant progress in overnight talks with management and pushed back their strike deadline indefinitely.

''There is no strike right now. It has been postponed,'' union spokesman Bob Bleiweiss said as the talks ended shortly before 5 a.m. PDT so the union could study a ''partial contract'' proposed by six major supermarket chains. The talks, he said, were to resume at 1 p.m.

Bleiweiss declined to discuss details of the proposal, but described it as ''significant progress.''

The union workers had set a 12.01 a.m. Tuesday strike deadline, but that was ''frozen'' as the talks continued through the night.

Bleiweiss, spokesman for the United Food and Commercial Workers Union that represents more than 80,000 retail clerks and meat cutters, said negotiators accepted a mediator's suggestion that if significant progress was made, ''we would freeze the clock and keep talking.''

David Willauer, a spokesman for the Food Employers Council, which represents six major supermarket chains - Albertson's, Alpha Beta, Lucky, Ralphs, Stater Bros. and Vons - said a breakthrough came in the talks about 7 p.m. Monday.

''We were able to put one major issue behind us and there has been progress on other issues,'' Willauer said. ''Those two factors are encouraging.''

The union announced Monday that should it go on strike, it would picket only Lucky stores and members would show up for work at the other five chains.

But Willauer said a strike against one chain would be considered a strike against all, and the other chains would lock out union workers.

The union said it had obtained the support of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, which promised not to cross picket lines.

Willauer said management had been preparing for a strike for more than a month by hiring and training replacement workers. He said any disruption in operations would be fairly minimal if a strike occurs, with the most likely effect to be in some reductions in operating hours at 24-hour supermarkets.

The negotiators, who are meeting at the Food Employers Council headquarters in Carson, were trying to hammer out a pact after the workers' previous three-year contract expired July 29.

Union members last week overwhelmingly rejected a management offer after the leaders of their locals recommended they turn down the package.

Union officials said that offer had contained unacceptable cuts in health benefits and contained problems with job security, since it allowed lower-paid workers to do jobs currently performed by higher-paid employees.

The supermarket clerks currently earn between $4 and $13.05 per hour, while the meat cutters earn between $9.31 and $14.33 per hour.

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#90219u0690 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - 28 Americans believed to have been in Kuwait reportedly are in Baghdad after Iraq's invasion. But the State Department is NOT referring to the Americans as hostages while the Bush administration tries to clarify their status.

World economic markets continue to react wildly to instability in the Middle East following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Tokyo's key Nikkei average plunged nearly 950 points. The Dow dropped 90 points yesterday.

Saudi Arabia is preparing for possible Iraqi aggression by massing troops

near a neutral zone of oil fields along the country's border with occupied Kuwait. The United States is sending more warships to the Persian Gulf.

In New York, the U-N Security Council yesterday imposed economic sanctions aimed at pressuring Iraq to remove its forces from Kuwait. Iraq invaded Kuwait last week, charging it with over-producing oil and driving down prices.

Tropical Storm Diana now is a hurricane. Forecasters say the storm was packing winds of 78 miles an hour as it bears down on the Mexican coast., Diana was centered about 65 miles east-northeast of Nautla.

The U-S coasts are getting socked with heavy rains. Forecasters say storms are soaking Southern California as floodwaters closed highways in New York and heavy rain washed out a section of railroad track in Vermont.

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#90219u0702 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 7) UPI - The polls are open in Georgia as voters choose a Democratic candidate for governor. Lieutenant Governor Zell Miller holds a hefty lead over former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young entering today's primary runoff.

The State Department is expressing concern over a possible hostage situation in Liberia, which is wracked by civil war. One of two Liberian rebel factions reportedly is holding one American among 14 or 15 foreign hostages.

Pakistani President Khan has imposed a state of emergency. The move comes one day after he fired Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto for alleged corruption. Ishaq Khan says ''a grave emergency'' exists in Pakistan.

In Washington, jury deliberations resume for a fifth day this morning in the drug and perjury trial of Mayor Marion Barry. Barry's lawyer says the jury woN'T reach reach any conclusions before tomorrow.

The South African Institute of Race Relations says nearly 17-hundred people died in political violence in the first seven months of 1990. Many of those killed died in violence between rival black factions.

The father of the Soviet Union, Vladimir Lenin... is NOT the most popular guy anymore. Lithuania's old capital dismantled its monument to Lenin... and citizens of a major Ukrainian city have petitioned to haul down theirs.

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#90219u0794 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - Newly christened Hurricane Diana is taking aim at Mexico's Gulf Coast. Coastal regions are preparing for up to eight inches of rain. Early this morning, Diana was centered 65 miles east northeast of Nautla, Mexico, packing winds near 75 miles-per-hour.

The Iraqi government says it may free 400 foreigners seized yesterday in several Kuwait hotels. 28 Americans are among the foreigners and the State Department is trying to determine their location. Iraq may be trying to ease Western fears about a reported build-up of fresh troops.

Defense Secretary Cheney travels to Egypt today to meet with President Hosni Mubarak. Egypt is considered an ally of Iraq but has voiced opposition to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait through the 21-nation Arab League. Cheney is expected to seek Egyptian support for mounting pressure against Iraq.

Pakistani President Khan declared a state of emergency today, one day after he removed Benazir Bhutto as prime minister. Bhutto took office in December 1988 after Pakistan's first democratic election in 11 years. Khan charged Bhutto's government with nepotism and corruption.

A State Department spokeswoman says there's NO indication that any of the foreigners taken hostage by Liberian rebels yesterday have been harmed. U-S officials say one American is among the 14 or 15 foreigners taken in the capital city of Monrovia. U-S Marines have evacuated 73 people from the West African nation.

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#90219u0798 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 7) UPI - Chancellor Helmut Kohl began talks Tuesday with West German political rivals who oppose his bid to advance the date of all-German elections from December to October.

If the opposition rejects the proposal, Kohl would be unable to obtain the two-thirds majority needed to advance the elections planned for Dec. 2.

Kohl invited his main Social Democratic challenger in the elections, Oskar Lafontaine, to talks that were also attended by Hans-Jochen Vogel, who heads the opposition party, and Otto Graf Lambsdorff of the Free Democratic Party and Theo Waigel of the Christian Social Union.

The proposal for early elections was made last week by East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere and promptly backed by Kohl, who called on the opposition Social Democratic Party to support the necessary constitutional changes in Parliament.

Before the negotiations started, Lambsdorff said he doubted the Social

Democrats would change their mind on the election date and indicated his party would back an eventual proposal to hold elections Nov. 18, the earliest date possible without a change in the constitution.

Kohl interrupted his vacation in Austria to discuss the issue with Lafontaine.

Hours before the talks started, Vogel reiterated his objections to the early election date, but said his party favors early unification and wants the two states to merge by Sept. 15.

At a meeting of the Social Democratic Party and its East German sister party Monday night in Bonn, the parties agreed to oppose early elections. But the East German party leaders stressed that they would not pull their party out of de Maiziere's broad-based government coalition.

Although they rejected early elections as unconstitutional, the two parties agreed that unification should be achieved as soon as possible.

The two Germanys, in place since Germany was divided after World War II, have been moving toward unification since last year when East Germany's Communist government fell and the Berlin Wall was torn down.

Officials in Bonn and East Berlin, meanwhile, indicated there was a strong chance East Germany may formally request unification this week.

Klaus Reichenbach, a cabinet minister and top aide to de Maiziere, said Tuesday it was ''very likely'' the East German parliament will decide Wednesday to immediately issue the request.

The two German governments agreed earlier that East Germany would join the West German federal republic, as provided for under the West German constitution.

Reichenbach told the West German daily Bild that ''elections and unification should take place at the same time - preferably on Oct. 14.''

Kohl and de Maiziere said the simultaneous developments are possible now that Moscow has indicated full support of unification and the rapid economic decline of East Germany is also a persuasive factor.

Sunday, Kohl said in a television interview that unification is ''financially and economically manageable.'' But he remained vague about the possibility that taxes could be increased in West Germany to support the cost of unification.

Several West German papers claimed Kohl is preparing the ground to break his earlier promise not to raise taxes.

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#90219u0807 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 7) UPI - Security is extremely tight in the Colombian capital of Bogota , this morning as the country prepares for today's inauguration of President-elect Cesar Gaviria. Gaviria has taken a strong position against the cocaine cartels, saying he'll improve on outgoing President Virgilio Barco's anti-drug policies.

The White House is praising a historic agreement between the African National Congress and the South African government. To pave the way for further talks, the A-N-C yesterday suspended its nearly 30-year guerrilla war against white minority rule and the government agreed to begin a phased release of political prisoners.

Former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young admits he needs a ''miracle'' to help him win today's Democratic nomination for governor of Georgia. Young faces Lieutenant Governor Zell Miller who leads in the polls. The winner of today's election will face state Representative Johnny Isakson in November.

Two expert witness testified yesterday at the Minneapolis trial of three Northwest Airlines pilots charged with flying while under the influence of alcohol. Both witnesses said the pilots were too drunk to fly the jetliner when they made the flight from Fargo, North Dakota, to Minneapolis five months ago.

The F-D-A has approved a drug to treat a breathing disorder that affects about 50-thousand premature babies a year, killing five-thousand infants. The drug is a synthetic form of a naturally occurring substance known as surfactant. The drug has been shown to reduce the death rate by as much as half in very premature infants.

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#90219u0825 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
DALLAS (AUG. 7) UPI - Six Americans, including a Texas couple, hid from Iraqi troops and later escaped from Kuwait when the invaders began rounding up foreigners, a son of the Texans said Monday.

Kevin Calvin said relatives received a telephone call from his parents, Jim and Phyllis Calvin of San Antonio, after they fled across the Kuwaiti desert early Monday and made their way through Iraqi lines to Saudi Arabia.

''My dad just decided, 'I'm not going to be held hostage. I'm not goint to let them take me to Baghdad, live there for three years and then end up with a bullet in my head,''' the younger Calvin said.

''They've been in contact with the (U.S.) Embassey (in Saudi Arabia) and they expect to be sent to a European country'' sometime Tuesday, Calvin said.

The six Americans hid for about four days in the basement of their bombed apartment building and were nearly out of food when a Kuwaiti friend told them the Iraqis had begun taking foreigners into custody, Calvin said.

Calvin said his parents described the efforts of some Iraqi troops to stop them as they headed to Saudi Arabia. He said his parents' vehicle at one point had to swerve around an Iraqi tank that was blocking the road.

Calvin said his father had been in Kuwait for about a year coaching the country's national basketball team.

Several other Texans managed to leave Kuwait before the invasion was complete, but Texas relatives of five U.S. oil workers captured by the Iraqis indicated Monday they have not heard from their kin.

''We think that my stepfather is a hostage,'' said Tommy Ogle, stepson of Rainard L. Walterscheid of Jacksboro. ''We want to be told the truth and I don't think we are hearing what's really going on.

I feel that they're (the U.S. government) is not saying he's a hostage because that would be bad politically right now.

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#90219u0835 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 7) UPI - Stock prices were broadly higher in brisk trading at midday Tuesday on the London International stock exchange as investors went on a strong buying spree following several days of large losses.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index which measures the value of Britain's largest 100 companies in terms of market capitalization, was ahead 33.5 points to 2,253.7. The index plunged 64.4 points Monday.

The narrower top 30 industrial average, which fell 61.5 points Monday, was up 30.7 points to 1,762.6.

Volume amounted to around 295 million shares compared with 377 million shares traded during the same period Monday.

Market watchers said prices moved higher amid selective buying from institions taking advantage of sharply lower stock prices, despite expecations of continued volatility brough about by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Stocks also benefited from program trades against the September Financial Times 100 stock index contract, taking advantage of price fluctuations between the two, analysts said.

Among the most widely traded stocks, British Airways PLC added 2 cents to $3.28 after the airline reported its latest pretax profits surged 62 percent. The carrier warned however, it was concerned over the rapidly increasing price of fuel oil.

WPP, the advertising company, gained 32 cents to $10.51 after reprting its latest pretax profits surged 77 percent.

In the continuing active oil patch, Shell gained 4 cents to $8.93, British Petroleum was unchanged at $6.60 and London & Scottish Marine Oil fell 16 cents to $8.42.

Among some of the international issues, Imperial Chemical Industries climbed 31 cents to $17.55, Barclays Bank PLC gained 14 cents to $6.75, Rothmans International surged 65 cents to $13.73 and Glaxo gained 38 cents to $14.10.

Elsewhere, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange were broadly higher at midday in active trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which tumbled 100.01 points Monday rebounded 20.37 points to 1,761.30.

Traders said stocks moved higher following reports that Iraq was considering allowing foreigners to leave Iraq and Kuwait.

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#90219u0855 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney flew from Saudi Arabia to Egypt today for talks with President Mubarak to drum up more international support against Iraq. Cheney held talks yesterday with the Saudis... hoping to persuade King Fahd to allow U-S military personnel on Saudi soil. The outcome of Cheney's meeting with the Saudis remains unclear.

In the face of growing concern over foreigners taken into custody in Kuwait by Iraqi troops... Iraq says it may free about 400 foreigners through Jordan. There's been NO official word from Baghdad. War fears are spreading following mobilization by Saudi Arabia. Official Iraqi media report that a flood of volunteers has swelled army ranks by 250-thousand men.

Oil prices continue to rise in the aftermath of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait... but in some places it's rising higher than others. In Ohio, the

price of gasoline at one Bonded station in the St. Mary's area jumped 17 cents overnight to a dollar-29. The manager of that station says he was just following orders.

Hurricane Diana is packing heavy rain and 75-mile-an-hour winds as it moves toward Mexico's Gulf Coast. Forecasters warn that Diana's torrential rains could trigger flash floods and mudslides as it moves ashore in the mountainous coast between Veracruz and Tuxpan de Rodriguez Cano., Diana was centered about 115 miles east-northeast of Nautla, Mexico.

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#90219u0856 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

MONROVIA, LIBERIA (AUG. 7) UPI - A Liberian rebel leader holding an American and at least seven other foreigners said he would attack Marines protecting the U.S. Embassy unless a U.S. or West African peace-keeping force intervenes to end the country's civil war.

Prince Johnson, who leads a breakaway rebel faction, made the threat Monday as heavy fighting was reported in the area near the U.S. Embassy.

The rebel also indicated he would keep the foreigners hostage until peace-keeping forces arrive. The hostages, all taken by rebels loyal to Johnson, included three Britons, two West Germans, a Dutchman, an Argentinian and a U.S. mining contractor identified as Chris Mendes, 27, of Sacramento, Calif.

Sources within the Lebanese community said some of their nationals also were taken hostage and the total number of hostages in the West African country was believed to be as high as 16.

The rebel leader, whose forces control about half of Monrovia, Saturday declared his intention of taking hostages. He said at the time he was giving international organizations two days to agree to send a peace-keeping force into Liberia, which was founded in 1822 by former U.S. black slaves.

Johnson said he told his men to single out American, British, Lebanese and Indian civilians for detention first. The hostages were taken from the Luxory Hotel Africa on the city's outskirts and U.S. State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said they were held in the town of Calweld, near Monrovia.

Johnson told reporters who visited him on Monday he had rounded up the foreigners the previous night. But the hostages themselves said they had only been arrested an hour before they were allowed to talk to the news media.

Johnson, speaking Monday to a crowd of 3,000 in rebel-held Bushrod Island, said: ''What this country really needs is the peaceful intervention of the United States or ECOWAS (Economic Community of West African States).''

''If they don't intervene, I will attack the American Marines,'' said Johnson, whose group is a breakaway faction of the original rebel force headed by Charles Taylor fighting to oust President Samuel Doe from power over the country, which became a republic on July 26, 1847.

Sunday, U.S. Marines were airlifted into the war-torn country and evacuated 62 U.S. government employees, relatives and civilians, two Italians, one Canadian and eight Liberians.

The State Department said the ''drawdown'' of embassy staff was successful and that 41 embassy personnel, including the U.S. ambassador, would remain in Monrovia. A total of about 300 Americans remained in Liberia,

Monday, more than 200 Marines who stayed after the evacuation to protect the embassy and its staff abandoned three roadblocks they had set up near the embassy in the Mamba Point District of the capital. The Marines moved to set up defensive positions inside the walled compound, an embassy spokesman said.

''There is no need to expose people,'' the embassy spokesman said. ''Initially we didn't know what people's reaction was going to be.''

The embassy has insisted the Marines will not intervene in the civil war, despite repeated calls from many Liberians for them to do so.

Soon after the Marines withdrew from the street, heavy fighting broke out Monday in the embassy district within a few hundred yards of the Marine positions. The fighting continued throughout Monday afternoon, although control of the area remained in doubt.

Tutwiler said all major stores remain closed. There was no public water, electricity or phone service, and food shortages were worsening.

Five West African presidents met Monday in the Gambian capital of Banjul to discuss an ECOWAS peace plan for Liberia. A peace-keeping force made up largely of Nigerian troops already was preparing to land in the country.

Johnson said Sunday night he ordered the execution of the former Liberian minister for youth and sports, Senator Fred J. Blay. He claimed Blay had been sent by Doe to spy on his headquarters and ordered that he be shot by firing squad.

A Liberian congressman, William T. Jasvan, was paraded before reporters Monday and led away with his hands bound. Johnson said he also would be

executed for spying.

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#90219u0876 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 7) UPI - In South Africa, church leaders and human rights groups are endorsing the African National Congress suspension of its guerrilla war against the Pretoria government. A-N-C leader Nelson Mandela announced the immediate suspension of the limited guerrilla war after nearly 15 hours of talks with President de Klerk yesterday. In return, the white-minority government will release 15-hundred political prisoners.

Firefighters in central Oregon are struggling to surround a 33-hundred-acre wildfire that's destroyed 20 homes. Roadblocks are posted to keep out sightseers and the general public... but thousands of residents have been allowed to return to their homes after being forced to flee during the weekend.

Security is tight in Bogota, Colombia, today as Cesar Gaviria prepares to take the oath of office and become Colombia's youngest president. The intense security measures come despite a peace declaration by the Medellin drug cartel, which has been blamed for hundreds of slayings since it declared war on Colombia last year. Several presidential candidates were slain during the violence.

The White House says President Bush still plans to spend at least eight days on the campaign trail during September, despite putting off a Latin American trip to be on hand for budget talks. The White House says Bush postponed next month's planned South American trip because he needed to be personally involved in the budget negotiations.

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#90219u0903 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for August 6: Purchases of 519,036 shares and sales of 917,346 shares including 110,385 shares sold short.

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#90219u0905 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - President Bush summoned Cabinet members to the White House Tuesday for an update on the Persian Gulf crisis and White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said reports of a possible naval blockade of Iraq are ''premature.''

''We have the sanctions in place,'' Fitzwater told reporters, referring to

the overwhelming vote Monday by the U.N. Security Council for a tough economic boycott against Iraq for its invasion of neighboring oil-rich Kuwait. ''We expect that to happen,'' Fitzwater added, saying, ''This blockade talk is premature.''

However, if the embargo fails to be effective, Western leaders, including British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney said they expected continued intransigence by Iraq could lead to a military blockade.

Bush called for ''full and total implementation'' of Monday's U.N. Security Council decision to impose an economic and military embargo on Iraq.

Bush said the U.N. embargo, adopted by a 13-0 vote, ''gives an awful lot of muscle to countries and we want to see them use it. ... Certainly petroleum is considered under that definition, subject to being cut off.''

On Monday, following a meeting with Bush, Mulroney, Thatcher and NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner all praised the U.N. Security Council decision.

Asked if he thought a blockade would be necessary, Mulroney said, ''If you look at the geography, it certainly wouldn't hurt at all.''

Thatcher added that if the sanctions were not effective, a blockade would be considered. ''If not, we shall ... have to jointly consider collective action of the kind of thing such as a blockade.''

Bush said Monday he was ''ruling out nothing at all'' in considering his next moves.

Bush has received a full report on a meeting U.S. Charge d'Affairs Joseph Wilson had with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad Monday.

Fitzwater declined to reveal any details of Saddam's message to Bush. The Washington Post reported Tuesday that Saddam told the U.S. diplomat that Kuwait now belongs to Iraq and there was no going back. The Post quoted a U.S. official as characterizing Saddam's message as: ''It's a done deal.''

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney visited Monday with Saudi officials with a key goal of persuading King Fahd to allow U.S. personnel on Saudi soil in light of Iraq's invasion of oil-rich Kuwait. The outcome of the meeting remained unclear.

On Tuesday, Cheney flew to Egypt to meet with President Hosni Mubarak in the seaport city of Alexandria. Mubarak's government is allied with Iraq but has denounced the invasion through the 21-nation Arab League.

There were reports that Egyptian and Moroccan forces were being sent to Saudi Arabia to bolster its defense against a massive buildup of Iraqi troops close to the Saudi border.

In other developments, Prince Saud, the Saudi foreign minister, was expected to arrive in Washington for consultations with Bush and other administration officials.

Fitzwater said that Secretary of State James Baker was still expected to travel Wednesday to Turkey where he will meet with Turkish President Turgut Ozal on the gulf crisis. Ozal is reported to have shut down the two Iraqi pipelines that pass through his country to the Mediterranean, in accordance with the U.N. sanctions.

A State Department official said Monday the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad was checking on a ''sketchy report'' that 12 of 28 Americans had arrived in the Iraqi capital. The Americans were part of several hundred Westerners reportedly taken from hotels in Kuwait following the Iraqi invasion. There was no word on their location and U.S. officials restated that there was not enough information available to classify them as hostages.

Pentagon and administration officials reported that Iraqi troops remained massed dangerously near the Saudi Arabia border, despite earlier assurances from Saddam that the 100,000-strong invasion force would be withdrawn.

On Monday, five warships left Norfolk, Va., to join U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf region where a total of 49 warships - some with aircraft capabilities - are expected to position themselves within striking distance of Iraq by next week.

The military buildup also included ships from France, Great Britain and the Soviet Union.

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#90219u0907 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - Mayor Marion Barry's lawyer says the jury should be nearly done sifting through piles of evidence in the cocaine and perjury case after four days of deliberations.

The jury, which has been sequestered for eight weeks, deliberated for nearly eight hours Monday without reaching a verdict and returned to the jury room Tuesday morning for its fifth day in deliberations.

Barry's lawyer, R. Kenneth Mundy, said Monday the jury will need until Wednesday to reach any conclusion in the 14 count indictment, adding that by then ''they will have had a chance to go over all the counts and the

evidence.''

The jury, which received the case late Thursday and deliberated 6 1/2 hours Friday, also met for four hours Saturday in a rare weekend session, asking for and receiving more than 100 documents from testimony during the trial.

The panel of 10 blacks and two whites, which has been sequestered since June 18, is considering Barry's guilt or innocence on three felony counts of perjury, 10 misdemeanor counts of cocaine possession and a single misdemeanor count of conspiracy to possess cocaine.

If convicted of all counts, Barry could be sentenced to a maximum of 26 years in prison and fined $1.85 million.

Ten prosecution witnesses took the stand during 6 1/2 weeks of testimony to say that Barry used cocaine or obtained the drug dating back to 1983.

The government also showed a videotape of Barry taking two long puffs from a crack pipe during the Jan. 18 FBI sting operation during which he was arrested.

Mundy acknowledged during his closing arguments that Barry had been an ''occasional'' cocaine user, but argued prosecutors never proved Barry used the drug at most of the times alleged in the indictment.

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#90219u0922 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 7) UPI - Church leaders and human rights groups endorsed the African National Congress's suspension of its guerrilla war against white rule and warned the government Tuesday to reign in its security force or risk derailing peace talks.

ANC leader Nelson Mandela told President Frederik De Klerk in a nationally televised news conference early Tuesday that the ANC decision was a ''significant concession'' offered despite the government's failure to bring ''state violence'' under control.

Mandela, playing perhaps his most important trump card, announced Monday an immediate suspension of the limited guerrilla war, which had been waged since 1961, following nearly 15 hours of talks with the government.

In return, the government agreed to the phased release of an estimated 1,500 political prisoners that also will allow for the return of some 20,000 exiles without fear of arrest in a process expected to be completed by no later than April 30, 1991.

Within hours of the ANC announcement, religious leaders in the anti-apartheid movement stepped in to caution the international community that other forms of pressure must continue against Pretoria to maintain the seemingly unstoppable reform process.

The historic agreement has opened the way ''to proceed towards negotiations on a new constitution'' to abolish apartheid and end the country's protracted racial conflict, De Klerk and Mandela said in a joint communique. Exploratory talks on the framework for such negotiations will begin soon, they said.

Since the release of Mandela from 27 years imprisonment in February, the ANC has been under mounting pressure to suspend its armed struggle to demonstrate its commitment to a peaceful end to the country's racial conflict. At the same time, the suspension is expected to give De Klerk ammunition against his right-wing critics.

The demand has dogged Mandela on his foreign tours, most recently in the United States, where President Bush urged an end to the armed struggle. One of the strongest appeals calls came earlier this year from Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu, who early Tuesday welcomed in announcement as "tremendous news."

But Tutu added, ''We must warn the South African government very sharply that if it does not act very firmly indeed to bring the police under control, then it will wreck the prospects of a negotiated settlement.

''On the issue of violence, the ball is now squarely in the court of the government,'' Tutu said.

The South African police and defense forces stand accused of lagging behind De Klerk in accepting the moves for a peaceful settlement with the country's black majority. Charges range from using excessive force on anti-government protests to openly backing the ANC's rival Zulu movement Inkatha in bloody clashes.

''A grave responsibility lies on the De Klerk government now to stop all forms of state violence, particularly that of the police and the army,'' South African Council of Churches General Secretary Frank Chikane said in a statement Tuesday.

''A negotiated settlement is going to be the most difficult phase of the process of change in the country and we call on all Christians worldwide to continue praying and mobilizing the world to ensure that apartheid is totally dismantled and eliminated,'' Chikane said.

Chikane urged the world community to continue to apply pressure on the South African government.

''It is therefore of vital importance to maintain the international pressures on the apartheid regime until the dismantling of apartheid is irreversible,'' he said.

The Pretoria-based Lawyers for Human Rights Tuesday applauded the ANC's decision and declared state-inspired violence as the ''gravest threat to the prospects of a peaceful and negotiated settlement in South Africa.''

''We continue to view with grave concern... the armed actions and intimidatory tactions of the South African Police,'' it said.

A brief but rather intense public exchange on the issue between Mandela and De Klerk during the news conference underscored the difficulties that lie ahead for the nation's two most powerful men.

Mandela described police tactics as a ''totally unsatisfactory sitution'' and dismissed De Klerk's reiteration that complaints and allegations against police were thoroughly investigated and strong measures taken if necessary.

''I am not happy and can't agree with the president,'' Mandela said. ''The actions of the police indicate to us the government has not succeeded in restraining this activity.''

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(AUG. 7) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
INCREASED				
Kuhlman Corp	Q	.10	10-10	9-11
USUAL				
Amer Greetings cl-A	Q	.17 1/2	9-10	8-27
Arkla Exploration	..	.05	9-14	8-24
Arnold Industries	Q	.25	9-5	8-17
Centex Corp	Q	.10	10-4	9-13
Garan Inc	Q	.25	8-30	8-23
Golden West Fncl	Q	.04	9-10	8-15
Lockheed Corp	Q	.45	9-4	8-20
Manor Care Inc	Q	.033	8-27	8-15
Piccadilly Cafe	Q	.12	10-1	9-7
Pioneer Group	Q	.20	9-14	9-4
Preston Corp	Q	.12 1/2	10-31	9-28
Research Inc	Q	.11	9-28	9-7

Seitel Inc	..	.05	10-5	9-13

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $381.70, silver base of $4.88 and platinum price of $483.60:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$397.40	398.40
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	203.90	204.40
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	104.70	105.00
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.30	43.40
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	397.40	392.00
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	203.90	201.20
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.20	105.50
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.30	42.70
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	403.80	404.80
China Panda .50 troy oz.	208.10	208.50
China Panda .25 troy oz.	107.90	108.20
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.60	46.70
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.80	27.90
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	397.50	398.50
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	202.10	203.60
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	102.60	102.90
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.20	44.30
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	397.60	396.50
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	205.80	205.30
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.60	105.40
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.90	44.20
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	397.40	396.80
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	204.40	204.00
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.70	86.60
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	45.30
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.10	23.00

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.29	$6.31
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,470	$3,490
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,525	$1,525

Platinum

Australian Koala	507.00	508.00
Isle of Man Noble	496.00	496.00
Canada Maple Leaf	513.00	513.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90219u0991 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, LEBANON (AUG. 7) UPI - Kuwaiti soldiers and civilians fighting to oust Iraqi invasion forces said Tuesday they had launched three successful strikes in conquered Kuwait, killing or wounding 11 soldiers.

The Kuwaiti News Agency, Kuna, monitored in Beirut said Kuwait radio resumed broadcasting Tuesday after a four-day interruption. It said the radio broadcast patriotic songs and anti-Iraqi programs from a region inside Kuwait near the Saudi border.

The news agency noted the presence of Kuwaiti ministers and high-ranking officials in the border region, which remains under Kuwaiti control.

Iraq invaded its tiny southern neighbor Kuwait Thursday after talks to settle a dispute on the borders and oil production collapsed.

In a statement released in Beirut, Kuna said Kuwaiti resistance forces attacked Iraqi troops in the areas of Ahmadi and Salmiyah using machine guns, hand grenades and rocket-propelled grenades.

Seven Iraqi soldiers were killed or wounded in Ahmadi and three others were killed or wounded in Salmiyah, the statement said, and two Iraqi military vehicles were destroyed in the attacks.

In addition, an Iraqi captain was stabbed to death inside a hotel in Kuwait city, the statement said.

The Kuwaiti fighters pledged to continue ''military operations against the invading troops until we expel the last Iraqi soldier from Kuwaiti territories.''

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#90219u1010 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - One day after the U-N endorsed international trade sanctions against Iraq for the invasion of Kuwait, Baghdad said it may

free about 400 foreigners seized in the invasion. An Iraqi embassy official in Jordan says Baghdad is considering a U-S request asking for the release of foreign nationals. Defense Secretary Cheney headed from Saudi Arabia to Egypt today for talks with President Mubarak apparently aimed at mustering U-S economic and military pressure against Iraq.

Cabinet members huddled with President Bush at the White House this morning to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. But Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwter says talk of a naval blockade of Iraq is ''premature.'' Fitzwater says the economic sanctions called for by the U-N Security Council against Iraq are the first step. Western leaders, including British Prime Minister Thatcher, say if the embargo fails to be effective, Iraq could face a military blockade.

A Liberian rebel leader holding an American and several other foreign hostages says he'll attack Marines at the U-S embassy in Monrovia unless the United States helps end Liberia's civil war. The threat was made by Prince Johnson, breakaway rebel faction leader. He vows to keep the foreigners hostage until peace-keeping forces arrive. The hostages include U-S mining contractor Chris Mendes of Sacramento, California. Forces loyal to Prince Johnson control about half of Monrovia, Liberia's capital city.

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#90219u1016 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 7) UPI - Toyota Motor Co. could assume control of the New United Motor Manufacturing Inc. (NUMMI) plant in Fremont, Calif., when its joint venture with General Motors Corp. expires in 1996, it was reported Tuesday.

Gary L. Convis, vice president for engineering and manufacturing at NUMMI, said during the University of Michigan's annual automotive seminar in Traverse City that Toyota is interested in the plant, partly because of its good workforce and high quality.

''Our estimation is that we might become a Toyota factory here in America '' Convis told the Detroit News, adding he did not feel that labor representation by the United Auto Workers union at NUMMI would be a negative factor in Toyota's decision to assume control of the former GM facility.

Like most Japanese ''transplant'' operations in the United States, workers at Toyota's car assembly plant in Georgetown, Ky., are not UAW-represented.

Toyota announced last year a $300-million project to begin building pickup trucks by the spring of 1991 at NUMMI, which now makes Geo Prizm and Toyota Corolla subcompact cars.

The joint venture was established in 1982, but car production started two years later. It was limited by U.S. anti-trust laws to a 12-year run, meaning the arrangement expires in 1996.

Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. has said it must expand its U.S. production capacity dramatically if it is to meet its goal of domestically producing half of its projected 1.5 million U.S. vehicle sales by 1995.

Bob McCurry, executive vice president of sales and operations for Toyota's U.S. subsidiary, said late last year another U.S. plant appears unlikely by 1995, and a company spokesman said that is still the case.

But McCurry did not rule out an expansion of its Georgetown plant or the NUMMI joint venture.

''We have to expand a plant or put another line in a plant,'' McCurry said. ''All I know is that it has to happen.''

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#90219u1018 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - Voters in Georgia go to the polls today to choose between former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young and Lieutenant Governor Zell Miller in a Democratic gubernatorial primary runoff. Young is trying to become Georgia's first black governor... but Miller was leading Young by about 20 points in the latest opinion polls. In November, the winner of today's vote will face Republican state Representative Johnny Isakson. He's trying to become Georgia's first G-O-P governor in 122 years.

In Moscow, the Communist Party newspaper Pravda has praise for both Soviet President Gorbachev and Russian Federation President Boris Yeltsin. Pravda says the two showed ''a high sense of responsibility and political flexibility'' in setting aside their political differences last week. They decided to form a joint working group of their two governments to develop a program that might deliver the Soviet Union from economic disaster.

Diana now is a hurricane... aiming its 75-mile-an-hour winds at Mexico's Gulf Coast. Forecasters say the coastal regions should prepare for up to eight inches of rain which could trigger flash floods and mudslides as Diana moves ashore. The center of the hurricane is expected to make landfall around mid-afternoon between Veracruz and Tuxpan , east of Mexico City. In the Atlantic Ocean, Tropical Storm Cesar continued to weaken and was downgraded to a tropical depression.

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#90219u1022 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen pc	1pm	62	17
Amsterdam pc	1pm	63	17
Ankara pc	3pm	73	23
Athens c	2pm	86	30
Auckland r	12a	55	13
Beijing cy	8pm	75	24
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	66	19
Bonn pc	1pm	64	18
Brussels pc	1pm	60	16
Cairo c	2pm	90	32
Casablanca c	12n	79	26
Copenhagen pc	1pm	68	20
Dakar ts	12n	83	28
Dublin cy	1pm	61	16
Geneva c	1pm	71	22
Helsinki c	2pm	66	19
Hong Kong c	8pm	85	30
Jerusalem c	2pm	82	28
Karachi cy	5pm	85	30
Lisbon c	1pm	83	29
London cy	1pm	67	20
Madrid c	1pm	81	27
Malta pc	1pm	88	31
Manila cy	8pm	82	28
Moscow pc	3pm	80	26
Nairobi cy	3pm	73	23
Nassau pc	7am	81	27
New Delhi cy	6pm	86	30
Nice cy	1pm	80	27
Oslo pc	1pm	62	17
Paris pc	1pm	71	21
Pretoria pc	2pm	68	20
Riyadh c	3pm	107	42
Rome pc	1pm	84	29
Seoul c	9pm	86	30
Sofia c	2pm	86	30
Stockholm c	1pm	65	18
Sydney c	10pm	52	11
Taipei c	8pm	86	30
Tokyo cy	9pm	83	29
Tunis cy	1pm	88	31
Vienna cy	1pm	64	18
Warsaw r	1pm	60	16

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	67	19
Caracas pc	8am	71	22
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	59	15
Mexico City hz	6am	55	13
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	67	20
Santiago cy	8am	51	10

Canada

Calgary c	92	33
Edmonton pc	91	33
Montreal r	70	21
Ottawa cy	66	18
Regina c	91	32
Toronto cy	72	22
Vancouver c	77	25
Winnipeg c	91	32

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90219u1030 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 7) UPI - Police Tuesday questioned an Asian grocer who shot and killed a black man he said attempted to rob his store in the same neighborhood where a similar incident sparked racially charged protests.

Cortez DeVore, 27, was shot once in the chest and once in the leg Monday night and pronounced dead at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, police Sgt. Theresa Young said.

Keith Vong, 25, a Vietnamese, told police he shot the man after he attempted to rob his store. DeVore ran out of the store and collapsed a few blocks away.

Vong said he thought DeVore had a gun because he kept his hand in a paper bag as if concealing a weapon, police said. No gun was found.

The incident marked the second time in the past two months that an Asian

storekeeper gunned down a black man who attempted to rob his shop.

On June 13, five blocks from Monday's shooting, a Korean storekeeper at the Wild Wild West sandwich shop shot and killed Gregory Dorn, 25, who police said attempted to rob and shoot him.

Dorn's death sparked community protests and calls for a boycott of the store.

District Attorney Ronald Castille ruled in that case that Yung Soo, son of store owner Yong Chang, justifiably shot Dorn in self-defense.

Mayor Wilson Goode, in response to community pressure, asked Castille and Police Commissioner Willie Williams to take another look at the case.

The protests continued Tuesday morning when about 15 members of a militant black activist group, Uhuru, and its white support group, Uhuru Solidarity Committee, demonstrated outside of City Hall to pressure Castille to reopen the Dorn case.

The protestors made no mention of Monday night's shooting but called for a boycott of Korean-owned businesses and demanded Asian and white merchants leave black neighborhoods.

Meanwhile, the neighborhood where Monday's shooting occurred was quiet as police maintained a presence. Young said police would ''continue to monitor the area and evaluate it'' to determine if more security was needed.

Officer William Kern said it was ''anybody's guess'' as to how neighbors would react to the latest shooting.

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#90219u1038 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 7) UPI - Retired Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd Jr., veteran of two world wars and commandant of the Marine Corps during the Korean War, died of bone cancer late Monday. He was 94.

A service will be held Friday in Shepherd's adopted home town of La Jolla, Calif. He will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery.

''Our corps and nation have lost a great leader and valiant warrior, one that will be sorely missed,'' said Gen. Alfred M. Gray, the current Marine Corps commandant.

Shepherd, a native of Norfolk, Va., enlisted in 1917 when the United States entred the World War and served for 42 years.

He was awarded 60 decorations, including the Navy Cross, the French Croix de Guerre and the Distinguished Service Cross.

He was wounded twice during the bloody battle of Belleau Wood in 1918. He went on to command troops as a general during World War II invasions of Cape Gloucester, Guam and Okinawa.

Shepherd commanded the 6th Marine Division during the fierce fighting on Okinawa and seized two-thirds of the island.

Retired Lt. Gen. V.H. Krulak served with Shepherd on Okinawa and said he and other Marines admired his leadership capabilities.

''They believed in him professionaly, admired him personally, and followed him in combat with great devotion,'' Krulak told The San Diego Union.

During the Korean War, Shepherd was the commander of the Marines in the Pacific and advised Gen. Douglas MacArthur during the Inchon landing.

Shepherd was appointed commandant of the Corps in 1952 by President Harry Truman and served in the post until 1955. After a brief retirement in 1956 he was recalled to active duty to serve as chairman of the Inter-American Defense Board.

Shepherd retired for the final time in 1959 and lived in Warrenton, Va., before moving to La Jolla in 1968.

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#90219u1045 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (AUG. 7) UPI - Officials of Benazir Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party went into hiding Tuesday to evade arrest after her government's dismissal and authorities ordered airports to stop some former legislators from leaving the country, sources said.

Bhutto, meanwhile, met with aides to discuss President Ghulam Ishaq Khan's actions Monday in dismissing her 20-month-old government, dissolving the National Assembly and declaring a state of emergency.

A spokesman said Bhutto was likely to fly to the family home in the southern port of Karachi, contradicting reports she had been placed under house arrest.

There was no indication that a curfew had been imposed anywhere in the South Asian nation. Islamabad was calm Tuesday.

Ishaq Khan said he had fired the government because of its ''corruption and

nepotism'' and its failure to control escalating ethnic violence.

In a further sign of upheaval, the legislative assemblies of all four provinces have been dissolved, the official television reported Tuesday.

The 37-year-old Bhutto, in a statement after she met with her aides, said the president had made ''old and hackneyed charges, which have only one object - to undermine the will of the people.

''The PPP is not afraid to face these charges,'' she said. ''It is confident that if elections are held as promised, on schedule, it shall be vindicated in the court of the people.''

Security sources said authorities had issued airports with the names of a number of prominent people, including some PPP legislators, who have been barred from leaving the country.

Army contingents moved into the capital and took control of the Pakistan television headquarters, Radio Pakistan, the Information Ministry and several other government offices.

Bhutto charged that ''anti-democratic elements'' had taken up a caretaker status in the government.

''The partisan and blatant nature of these steps clearly betray the game plan - which is to deny the PPP any role in the future,'' she said.

The PPP central committee is to meet in Karachi during the next few days to decide whether to petition the Supreme Court to declare Ishaq Khan's decree unconstitutional.

Ishaq Khan Monday appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi to head an interim government until elections scheduled for Oct. 24. The assemblies of all four provinces were also dissolved.

A PPP spokesman said the state of emergency was imposed because ''a grave emergency exists in which the security of Pakistan is threatened by external aggression.'' The emergency gives authorities wide powers of detention.

PPP sources said a number of the party's leaders had gone into hiding, fearing arrest.

Reaction to the president's announcement was muted in most of the country Tuesday. But in Karachi, supporters of the Mohajir Qaumi Movement, a major opposition party representing Mohajir migrants from India, danced and shouted ''Down with Benazir'' outside Bhutto's family home in the southern port.

The opposition party has alleged the Bhutto government failed to protect the interests of its supporters, and Mohajir youths have clashed frequently in southern Sind Province in recent months with members of the PPP youth wing.

Bhutto took office in November 1988 following the first democratic elections in 11 years in Pakistan, which has been under military rule for almost two-thirds of its 43-year existence.

As the first woman leader of a mainly Islamic country, she had come under fire for failing to control growing ethnic violence in Sind and alleged corruption by members of her administration and family, charges which have increased tensions with the army.

Bhutto's PPP has also failed to pass any significant legislation and there have been persistent and acrimonious disputes with the opposition.

Ishaq Khan was formerly chairman of the Senate and took office on the death in a mysterious August 1988 plane crash of President Mohammad Zia ul-Haq, who had ruled the country since overthrowing Bhutto's father, Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, in a 1977 coup.

The elder Bhutto was hanged two years later on charges of plotting to murder a political opponent.

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#90219u1049 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

ROSSFORD, Ohio (AUG. 7) UPI - The Aluminum, Brick, and Glass Workers union and the Libbey-Owens-Ford Co. have agreed to a contract extension that entails the loss of more than half of the 1,000 hourly jobs at the Rossford float and automotive glass plant.

LOF said Monday it will reduce the size of its Rossford workforce to 425 and move the majority of its automotive glass production to a newer plant in Shelbyville, Ind., by the end of 1991.

Gerald Biggs, director of employee relations for LOF, said the rest of its automotive glass work would be moved to other plants that could include facilities in Lathrup, Calif., Ottawa, Ill., Sherman, Texas, and a joint venture with Nippon Glass in Versailles, Ky.

About 475 workers will be given an early retirement package or laid off. The company said a limited number of people would be offered transfers.

''The whole idea from from the union standpoint for the negotiations in St. Louis and the extension of the contract was to address the downsizing

that we knew was going to occur and its effect on our members and their families,'' said Roy Ocheske, president of Local 9.

The Rossford plant will continue its float glass operation and will receive a $15 million product development center for the automotive industry.

Negotiations that ended Saturday in St. Louis led to a 3 1/2-year extension to the current labor agreement.

The contract runs from October 1991 to through April 1995 and covers only the Rossford plant.

The company said the cost of operating the Rossford plant was a primary reason for moving production to Indiana.

''Mainly because of cost disadvantages here, such as an old facility we have in Rossford, that's a major reason,'' Biggs said.

The severance agreement calls for a $3 million fund for workers with less than 30 years of service, or $1,300 a year for each employee who agrees to leave.

There is a separate $1 million fund for employees who are already laid off.

In January LOF laid off 150 employees, which led to negotiations between the union and LOF to reduce the effects on the Rossford plant.

Biggs said obtaining a five-year contract was a factor to keeping the float operations in Rossford.

Ocheske said union rules precluded a ratification vote by the membership.

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#90219u1057 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEWPORT, OR (AUG. 7) UPI - A snapped cable is being blamed for the loss of a $250,000 camera system that scientists were using to map the ocean floor 200 miles off the northern Oregon coast.

Scientists from Oregon State University's Hatfield Marine Science Center said Monday they know exactly where to find the camera they lost last week but that it might be difficult, if not impossible, to retrieve.

Steve Hammond of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration said he hopes the Alvin, a three-man submersible unit, will be able to retrieve the camera when it dives in the same area later this month.

But Hammond said if the camera tangled in the broken cable, it may be impossible for the Alvin to get close enough to pick it up.

Scientists aboard the 303-foot NOAA vessel Discoverer were using the camera to help map the ocean floor, searcing for signs of hot water vents. The camera was lost when the 3/4-inch cable holding it broke, leaving it more than a mile under water.

The camera is a mapping system with a low-light video camera as well as a 35-millimeter still camera and various temperature, conductivity and depth sensors, along with an altimeter.

A special mooring buoy was launched to mark the camera's location and send out an electronic signal that will guide other ships to the location. The Alvin's mother ship, Atlantis II, will leave Astoria Aug. 15 to make 20 dives in the area where the camera was lost.

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#90219u1110 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - With the threat of U-N-endorsed trade sanctions and an oil embargo facing Iraq, the Middle Eastern nation says it's considering releasing about 400 foreigners. The hostages were taken from Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. Iraq decided to ponder a release after U-S officials made the request through Jordan.

The son of a San Antonio, Texas, couple says his parents and four other Americans already have made their escape from Iraqi forces. Kevin Calvin says the group hid in the basement of their bombed apartment building in Kuwait for about four days. He says the group then fled across the Kuwaiti desert to Saudi Arabia.

In Washington, President Bush called Cabinet members to the White House this morning for an update on the Persian Gulf crisis. A White House spokesman says reports of a possible naval blockade of Iraq are ''premature.'' But Western leaders who met with Bush yesterday say if a U-N embargo fails, it could lead to a military blockade.

Pakistan is under a state of emergency one day after Benazir Bhutto was fired as prime minister amid charges her government was marred by corruption and nepotism. The state of emergency gives the provisional government wide powers of arrest. Sources in Bhutto's party report some party leaders have gone into hiding, fearing arrest.

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#90219u1115 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (AUG. 7) UPI - A newly dedicated statue of President John F.

Kennedy on the Statehouse lawn will be returned to its foundry to clean graffiti painted by a man apparently obsessed with Marilyn Monroe.

Workers using a mild acid were able to hose the paint off the base of the statue but did not attempt to treat the statue itself.

The man who claimed responsibility for spray-painting white splotches of paint and the word ''murderer'' on the 8-foot bronze statue during the weekend.

''They're going to take it back to the foundry and try to put additional protection on it,'' said Greg Arnold, superintendent of state office buildings.

Arnold said the cleansers used on the base of the memorial were not suitable for the statue. ''It's a stone wash and you can't do that to the bronze and the patina of the statue.''

No estimate for the amount of damage to the statue was immediately available. The statue was to be removed Wednesday, Arnold said.

The defacement took place on the 28th anniversary of Monroe's suicide. The blond sexpot has been linked romantically to Kennedy in published reports in recent years.

The statue, which depicts a striding Kennedy, was dedicated May 29 on what would have been Kennedy's 73rd birthday.

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#90219u1122 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 73.00-74.00 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 141.40 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$265.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.50-$118.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $492.00-$494.00; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $118.00-$119.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 297.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 77.50-87.75 c-lb.

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#90219u1137 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

KEY WEST, FL (AUG. 7) UPI - The U.S. Navy said Tuesday it was deploying a fleet of wood chunks and oranges to test whether endangered turtle hatchlings would drift into a weapons test site in the Gulf of Mexico.

The Navy planned to detonate 1,200-pound underwater explosives to test components for a new submarine, said Dan Probert, head of the Navy's ordnance-testing program in Key West.

But environmentalists asked them to halt the tests, cautioning that endangered turtle hatchlings from the Dry Tortugas, a chain of coral islands in the Gulf, could drift into the blast area.

The Navy decided to test the hatchlings' probable path by releasing ping-pong balls from the nesting side and monitoring their course. But that idea was promptly nixed, Probost said.

''Ping-Pong balls are not biodegradable. Our ecological friends were worried that the pelicans would swoop down and eat one up,'' Probost said.

''So we're using little pieces of balsa wood. We made 'em round, a quarter-inch thick and 1 1-8 inches in diameter. We're also using oranges.

Turns out they float just about right,'' he said.

The Navy began releasing the wood chunks Monday and was still considering whether to use oranges or some other fruit in the test, Probert said.

He said navel oranges would be ''most appropriate.''

''But we may use key limes. They're about the size of a turtle or a half-dollar,'' he said.

If the wood or fruit drift into the explosive testing area, the Navy will have to find a new test site, Probert said.

The Dry Tortugas comprise a chain of seven coral islands about 70 miles west of Key West. The Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de Leon named them for their lack of fresh water and abundance of sea turtles. ''Tortuga'' is Spanish for ''turtle.''

The endangered hawksbille turtle and the threatened loggerhead species frequent the area.

Michael Eng, the National Park Service's superintendent for the Fort Jefferson National Monument on the biggest island, said his staff has counted 40 turtle nests, containing 100 to 120 eggs each, on the islands.

Probost said the Navy was unaware they were there until environmentalists raised the issue.

Richie Moretti, who runs the Hidden Harbor Environmental Project in Marathon, asked the Navy Monday to haly the tests until the end of the August-to-October hatching season so the baby turtles could swim ''without need of a pith helmet.''

''Mother Nature provided them with a shell but not one that can withstand a blast,'' he said.

Instead, the drift-testing plan was devised. Moretti was not sure when test results would be available. He said the Navy had planned to monitor the test site to avoid endangering adult turtles and dolphins, but its aerial surveillance and sonar could not detect the quarter-sized hatchlings.

''The little guys are hard to see,'' he said. ''What happens is, the little guys crawl out of the shell and if the birds don't eat them, they get in the ocean and drift with the current.''

#90219u1157 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 7) UPI - Federal investigators cited Eli Lilly & Co. for violations at three of its drug factories in Puerto Rico last year, a published report said Tuesday, citing Food and Drug Administration documents.

The FDA informed Lilly Chairman Richard D. Wood that Lilly drug products were adulterated, The Indianapolis Star reported. The Star said it got its information through a Freedom of Information Act request.

FDA district director Edward R. Esparza of San Juan, Puerto Rico wrote Wood April 20 about inspections conducted last June through October about three Lilly plants at Carolina, Puerto Rico. Esparza said Lilly responded with a satisfactory schedule for making corrections.

The problems included an uncovered section of a conveyor line in which bottles were filled with Ilosone liquid, an antibiotic. The federal report said black plastic used to make bottle caps ended up in at least three of the bottles.

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#90219u1161 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (AUG. 7) UPI - A Foreign Ministry official confirmed Tuesday that two Soviet warships were heading for the Persian Gulf, but said Moscow did not ''want to flex any muscles'' in the conflict over Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Soviet commentators said Iraq's ''plundering'' of its neighbor Kuwait forced Moscow to stop arms exports to its longtime ally and speak out against Baghdad.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Yuri Grimitskikh confirmed reports from Washington that Soviet troops were on their way to the Persian Gulf aboard two ships steaming toward the site of conflict.

Grimitskikh said political means should be used instead of force to persuade Iraq to end its Kuwaiti incursion.

''We don't want to flex any muscles,'' he said.

Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Belonogov said the Soviet Union would scrupulously observe the U.N. Security Council's decision Monday to impose full trade and economic sanctions against Iraq.

''Appropriate conclusions will be drawn from this, and I do not doubt that the Soviet agencies through which cooperation (with Iraq) was maintained will take the necessary measures,'' he said.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and Secretary of State James Baker condemned the invasion in an unprecedented joint statement last Friday, a day after Iraqi troops poured into Kuwait. Moscow also cut off all shipments of weapons to Iraq, its largest buyer.

Political analyst Yuri Glukhov, writing in the Communist Party newspaper, Pravda, said it was difficult for Moscow to act against a friend.

''Considering the good-neighborly relations of long standing with this country, the decision to take such sanctions did not come easy for us,'' he said. ''In the most difficult times for Iraq, we took its side. But it is one thing to participate in defending, another - in plundering.''

The Leninskoye Znamya newspaper said: ''The present conflict is all the more unpleasant for us as it involves two states with which we have maintained friendly relations. As for Iraq, those relations went so deep that a treaty on friendship and cooperation was concluded between our two countries.''

Glukhov said that the Iraqi government of President Saddam Hussein badly miscalculated in going into Kuwait because of disputes over territory and oil prices.

''I don't know how carefully Baghdad considered its huge losses in this essentially adventurist step,'' Glukhov said. ''Illusory ideas of an easy and almost bloodless victory over a weak neighbor prevailed. As to their military aspect, these ideas were not groundless.

''But in its political aspects this may prove to be a Pyrrhic victory.''

The Pravda analyst said that with the invasion of Kuwait, Iraq added another border crisis to its already-strained ties with neighboring Syria and Iran, with whom it fought an eight-year war that formally ended in 1988.

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#90219u1191 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 7) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Football

Pittsburgh - Waived offensive tackle Jeff Fryar.

San Diego - Signed safety Vencie Glenn; released cornerback Keith Collins.

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#90219u1203 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (AUG. 7) UPI - North Korea said Tuesday it planned to send a delegation next week to console South Korean dissidents jailed for unauthorized trips to the North, but the idea was promptly rejected by Seoul.

North Korean Prime Minister Yon Hyong-muk, in a telephone message to his Southern counterpart Kang Young-hoon, said the delegation would take advantage of South Korean President Roh Tae-woo's promise to open the border to free travel during the period Aug. 13-17.

But Yon's proposal, made despite North Korea's refusal to reciprocate for Roh's offer by allowing visitors to the North, was rejected by officials in Seoul as a violation of South Korean law governing visits with prisoners.

''Our proposal for free visits supposes that visitors from the North will respect our system and order,'' a government official said. ''It does not mean that trips to sensitive military installations and meetings with convicts will be allowed.''

Yon said the delegation from the North planned to cross into the South on Tuesday at the truce village of Panmunjom, 35 miles north of Seoul, North Korean officials said.

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#90219u1210 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 7) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Tuesday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 77-80; large 73-79; medium 53-59.

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#90219u1215 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (AUG. 7) UPI - NASA managers have canceled a planned fueling test for the shuttle Columbia, allowing the repaired spaceship's launch to move up four or five days to around the first of September, officials said Tuesday.

Sources who requested anonymity said several top agency officials argued against the decision, but apparently were overruled. William Lenoir, NASA's associate administrator for spaceflight, planned to discuss the agency's launch plans at an afternoon news conference in Washington.

In the meantime, engineers at the Kennedy Space Center are gearing up to haul Columbia to launch pad 39A early Friday for final preparations before liftoff around the first of the month on a long-delayed astronomy mission.

Equipped with a new fuel line fitting to replace one that leaked explosive hydrogen in May, Columbia had been scheduled for a fueling test Aug. 23 to make sure the leak has been eliminated once and for all.

But officials said Tuesday NASA managers had decided to eliminate the test to save time. Instead, sensors will be used to search for any leaking hydrogen as the shuttle is fueled for launch.

''We're actually going to do a tanking test,'' said one agency official who asked not to be identified. ''It just happens to be the day (before) launch. We're still going to have sensors there and if they pick up anything and we go out of specification, we'll stop.''

Engineers said the National Aeronautics and Space Administration had little to gain from another fueling test because regardless of when another leak might be detected - during a fueling test or the night before launch - Columbia would have to be hauled back to its hangar for repairs.

And that would prevent any chance of launching the ship before the shuttle Discovery's high-priority flight Oct. 5 to carry the European-built Ulysses solar probe into orbit.

Given that Columbia is equipped with a new fuel line fitting and that engineers have no reason to suspect additional problems, many NASA managers believe the agency has nothing to gain by conducting another fueling test.

A launch around Sept. 1 would be scheduled for around 1:17 a.m.

At the controls will be commander Vance Brand, 59, and co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42. Their crewmates are John ''Mike'' Lounge, 43, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46.

The goal of the 10-day mission is to study the high-energy ultraviolet light emitted by stars, galaxies and other deep space objects, radiation that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

The astronauts originally were set for launch May 30, but during fuel

loading the night before, hydrogen gas was detected spewing into Columbia's engine compartment.

Subsequent tests traced the potentially dangerous leak to seals inside the ship's 17-inch-wide hydrogen ''disconnect'' fitting where fuel lines from the external tank enter the belly of the orbiter. The disconnect assembly allows the external tank to be jettisoned in space.

Columbia's disconnect fitting was replaced by one built for the new shuttle, Endeavour, presumably fixing the problem.

While that work was going on, NASA proceeded with plans to launch Atlantis on a four-day military mission, but the mid-July flight was put on hold when a leak showed up in a joint where the ship's 17-inch-wide hydrogen line bolts to its disconnect assembly.

The problem, unrelated to the leak that grounded Columbia, could not be fixed at the launch pad, and Atlantis will be hauled back to the Vehicle Assembly Building Thursday to make room for Columbia on pad 39A.

Discovery is scheduled to follow Columbia into space, with liftoff from pad 39B planned for Oct. 5. If all goes well, Atlantis will finally get off on its secret military mission in early November.ASA's launch schedule is built around the Discovery mission. In order to fly over the poles of the sun, Ulysses must first be fired to Jupiter so it can use the giant planet's gravity for a slingshot boost down and out of the plane of the solar system, back toward the sun.

Because of the positions of Earth and Jupiter, Ulysses must be launched during October or the flight will be delayed 13 months to allow the planets to return to a good launch position.

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#90219u1246 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 84-86; large 81-84 and mediums 61-64.

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#90219u1267 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (AUG. 7) UPI - The FBI is questioning tanker crew members about discrepancies in accounts of a collision that triggered a 700,000-gallon oil spill in Galveston Bay, the Houston Chronicle reported Tuesday.

The tanker collided July 28 with three oil-laden barges, forcing the Houston Ship Channel to be closed for five days and prompting a ban on shellfishing as crews work to protect sensitive marshlands.

A person close to the case told the newspaper that the FBI query focused primarily on possible violations of the Clean Water Act, which outlaws the negligent or intentional discharge of oil into open water.

FBI special agent Del Mitchell of Galveston declined to confirm or deny whether an investigation is under way. He referred all calls to the Houston FBI office, where a spokesman also declined to comment.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Leslie Banks of Houston, the prosecutor assigned to the case, said her knowledge of the FBI's investigation covered only the potential Clean Water Act violations.

''It is not a foregone conclusion that there's a criminal case here. It's a terrible thing that's happened, but I don't know if anybody can be prosecuted for it,'' Banks said.

Cleanup efforts Tuesday moved from the water to the shore, Coast Guard spokesman Rich Muller said.

''What we are mainly looking for now are small pockets that are trapped along the shoreline that have already been boomed off,'' Muller said, adding a meeting is planned to consider the continued use of oil-eating microbes.

On Monday Capt. Thomas Greene rolled back his estimate of the total cleanup cost from $5 million to somewhere between $1 million and $3 million.

''We still have two or three days out there making sure we've got everything, but we're approaching the end,'' Greene said.

Texas General Land Commissioner Garry Mauro and Texas Water Commission Chairman B.J. ''Buck'' Wynne coordinated the use of the microbes, or bioremediation, with the Coast Guard and the Environmental Protection Agency.

Mauro said the state needs a standing oil spill response plan so that booms, skimmers and bioremediation crews can be deployed sooner next time.

Mauro's concerns echoed those of Galveston Bay environmentalists who

criticized the response efforts because the first boom was not put in place until more than 24 hours after the accident.

The governor's oil spill response committee is expected to meet in Austin Thursday to consult with Florida state officials about their spill response plans, an aide to Mauro said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - A lawyer for one of three youths charged with beating and raping a Central Park jogger last year Tuesday urged the jury to ignore the teenager's confession because it was the result of ''threats and lies'' by detectives under pressure to quickly solve the case.

''There is not one piece of scientific evidence linking him to the crime '' attorney Michael Joseph said of Antron McCray, 16, in his final argument.

The jury of 10 men and two women was expected to begin deliberating as early as Wednesday.

Joseph said the prosecution's case ''rests almost exclusely on the statements'' of defendants. ''But those statements should be rejected because they were obtained improperly,'' he said.

Joseph said the videotaped confession by his client that was shown to the jury was ''the result of lies and threats by police under pressure to quickly solve a high-publicity case.''

McCray, Yusef Salaam, 16, and Raymond Santana, 15 are on trial for the ''wilding'' rampage by a gang of youths through Central Park that left the woman jogger battered and near death.

Salaam was only 15 at the time but prosecutors testified he produced a bus pass after his arrest that showed he was 16. He later told police he had altered the pass to make himself older to ''impress girls.''

Salaam's age is a key point in his case. His mother testified earlier that she told police when she arrived at the police station he was only 15 but that detectives kept on questioning him.

Under state law, youths under l6 are not to be questioned without a parent present.

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BOSTON (AUG. 7) UPI - A bacteria-killing drug taken after sexual intercourse appears highly effective in preventing recurring urinary tract infections in women, researchers said Tuesday.

Women who took a combination antibiotic drug after sex were far less likely to develop an infection of the bladder or urethra than those given a worthless placebo, said Dr. Ann Stapleton of the University of Washington in Seattle.

The study results indicate that for most infection-prone women, taking the drug only after intercourse is as effective a prevention measure as taking the drug daily, Stapleton and co-researchers reported in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

An estimated one woman in five develops an infection of the urinary tract sometime in her life, and four out of five who seek medical treatment have another infection within 18 months. The infections can usually be treated effectively with antibiotics. But if left untreated, a urinary infection can lead to serious kidney damage or blood poisoning.

Women are far more likely than men to develop urinary infections, partly because their urethras - the tube leading to the bladder - are much shorter than a man's, so that bacteria can more easily reach the bladder. If bacteria are allowed to multiply, the resulting infection can cause symptoms ranging from abdominal pain to a burning sensation during urination and blood-tinged urine.

Sexual intercourse is thought to increase the risk of infection by allowing bacteria to move more easily from the vaginal and bowel areas, where they can live harmlessly, into the urethra.

In the new study, 16 women who had experienced at least two urinary tract infections within the previous year took a drug combining 40 milligrams of trimethoprim and 200 milligrams of sulfamethoxazole each time they had sex.

The treatment is sold as Bactrim by Hoffmann LaRoche & Co. in Nutley, N.J. and Septra by Burroughs Wellcome Co. of Research Triangle Park, N.C.

Eleven other women who were included for comparison took the placebo after each intercourse. The women in each group had an average age of 23. Sixty-nine percent of women in the drug group and 91 percent in the comparison group used diaphragms, which have been linked to higher risks for urinary infection.

After six months, nine of the women in the placebo group, but only two who had taken the drug had developed urinary infections, Stapleton said. Both women in the drug group who experienced infections were found to harbor strains of bacteria resistant to antibiotics.

Researchers said that among women who took the placebo - but not those who took the drug - a higher frequency of intercourse was associated with a higher rate of urinary infection. The finding supports prior studies indicating that sex increases the infection risk, they said.

Until now, the standard practice for treating women with frequent urinary infections was to have them take antibiotics daily or three times a week, Stapleton said. But the study indicates taking the drug within two hours of sex can be equally effective in preventing infections, she added.

Stapleton said that for women such as those involved in the study, who were largely unmarried college students, there are obvious advantages in not having to take a drug every day.

''For a young woman who may have a steady partner for several months and then, perhaps no one for six months, it doesn't make sense to take a drug continuously,'' she said.

In addition, she said decreasing the frequency with which any antibiotic is taken lessens the chances that strains of bacteria will develop that are resistant to the drug, rendering it ineffective.

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(AUG. 7) UPI - Resistance forces in Kuwait say they're keeping up the fight against Iraqi troops. Kuwaiti soldiers and civilians fighting to oust the Iraqi invasion sources say they launched three successful strikes that killed or wounded 11 Iraqi soldiers. The Kuwaitis pledge to continue their military operations until they- quote- ''expel the last Iraqi soldier from Kuwaiti territories.''

Sources in Pakistan say authorities have ordered airports to halt some former legislators from leaving the country. The move is part of a crackdown against officials of ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party. Authorities today declared a state of emergency prompting many officials to go into hiding to evade arrest. Bhutto says she's sure her administration will be vindicated of charges of corruption when free elections are held.

West German Chancellor Kohl has begun a push to convince his political rivals to agree to an earlier date for all-German elections. Opposition parties are opposed to moving the elections from December to October. Kohl must have their support to obtain the two-thirds majority needed to advance the early election proposal. The opposition parties today reiterated their objections to early voting but say they support early unification.

A lawyer for Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry says the jury should be nearly done going through the evidence in the cocaine and perjury case. The jury today began a fifth day of deliberations. Barry's lawyer, Kenneth Mundy, estimates it will take until tomorrow for jurors to reach any conclusion in the 14-count indictment. If convicted on all counts, Barry could get a maximum sentence of 26 years in prison and be fined one-point-eight-Million dollars.

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MOREHEAD CITY, NC (AUG. 7) UPI - Some 2,500 Marines set sail for the Mediterranean Tuesday wearing khaki fatigues and long faces, but one told his young daughter not to fret over strife in the region because the Marines plan to ''kick butt.''

Staff Sgt. Gene DeForest, 36, said his goodbys to wife Susan and children Melissa, 10, Nicole, 5, and Ryan, 4. Melissa had heard about the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on television, so DeForest wanted to be sure she did not worry.

''Daddy and all his friends are going to take care of it,'' he whispered, cupping her face in his hands. ''Daddy is going to go over and kick butt.''

The Marines from Camp LeJeune are part of 15,000 sailors and soldiers who were scheduled for a routine, six-month training exercise in the Mediterranean when Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's forces invaded oil-rich Kuwait last Thursday.

Tensions in the region escalated sharply. President Bush warned Hussein to get out of Kuwait or face the consequences. The U.N. Security Council voted unanimously in favor of an economic boycott of Iraq.

Thirty-four battleships are already in the region, led by the aircraft carriers USS Independence and USS Eisenhower. The 15,000 additional men aboard 15 ships that left East Coast ports Tuesday are led by the Mayport, Fla.-based carrier USS Saratoga.

The Pentagon said the contingent will replace Eisenhower forces due to return home, but in previous Gulf crises the United States has doubled up its naval units, holding ships beyond their normal rotation.

''This is honestly a planned, routine deployment,'' said Col. William Fite the Marine commander. ''Whether it is routine in conduct later on, we don't know. Right now we are headed either for the Mediterranean or Liberia, but there are no plans now to go to the Persian Gulf.

''President Bush and the fleet commanders, in short, have the opportunity to add us to their options,'' he said.

The Marines arrived in Morehead City before dawn aboard buses, wearing camouflage fatigues and carrying helmets, duffel bags, bedrolls, canteens and rifles, to board three ships - the dock landing ship USS Whidbey Island, the amphibious transport USS Nashville and the USS Inchon. By early afternoon, the last of the troops had boarded the vessels.

The troops had known for four months that they would be deployed, but their goodbys were especially poignant because families feared war could erupt by the time they reach the region two weeks from now.

First Lt. Chris Maxmin, 26, of Wilmington, Del., said he wasn't afraid of the escalating hostilities because ''that's my job.''

But it bothered him that his mother cried.

''She said, 'I know you're trained for this, but just keep your head down ''' said Maxmin, who plans to marry his fiancee, Gina Reed, shortly after he returns. Reed flew to Camp LeJeune to see him before the he set sail.

''She's scared to death,'' Maxmin said. ''I'm a little apprehensive too. I'd be stupid if I wasn't.''

Maxmin called his mother and sisters to say goodby Monday night, but his mother called him again before he left Camp LeJeune Tuesday.

Tori Maxmin, 22, said her brother became the man of the family when their father died. He was 8 years old at the time.

"I was 5 and my sister was 7 and Chris was only 8," she said. ''When he joined the Marines, I hated them because they took my brother away when I was growing up. He couldn't come to my high school graduation because of the Marine Corps.''

She said her mother cried after talking to Maxmin Tuesday morning.

''He said he was scared,'' Tori Maxmin said. ''But this is something he decided on his own. It's something he wants to do. His unit didn't get called to Panama last year and he felt rejected in some ways.''

She said her brother has a cool head and she believes he will fight valiantly if he is sent into battle.

''He's a good guy. I'd rather have my brother fighting for this country than someone who doesn't have his heart in it,'' she said.

Tori Maxmin said she intends to pray every day for the next six months that her brother comes home safely.

''When I talked to him I said, 'I'll pray for you,''' she said.

''He said, 'I'm not really religious.'

''I said, 'Yeah, but it doesn't hurt to have a lot of people on your side.'''

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SRINAGAR, INDIA (AUG. 7) UPI - About 20 Indian border police went on a rampage in the old city overnight, setting houses ablaze, dragging residents outside and shooting dead at least 12 men, women and children, police and witnesses said Tuesday.

Jammu and Kashmir state Governor Girish Saxena confirmed at least 10 people were killed in Srinagar's old city and said murder charges were filed against the director general of the Border Security Force in connection with the incident.

The lodging of the murder charge was the most serious action taken so far in a case of alleged wrongdoing by the Indian security forces in Kashmir.

Kashmiris, most of whom are Moslems, have been fighting for autonomy from India, charging the Hindu-dominated government has been insensitive to their needs.

Residents have repeatedly accused the Indian security forces of using excessive violence in their bid to put down the secessionist movement by Kashmiri militants.

The 12 people slain in Srinagar's old city were among 21 people killed in secessionist violence in the Kashmir Valley since Monday night, police and witnesses said. The other nine people were killed in separate incidents in the region.

Witnesses said the violence in the old city erupted when about 20 members of a border police patrol, apparently angered by earlier attacks on security forces, entered the neighborhood about 10 p.m. Monday.

They set fire to three houses near Islamia College and shot out the windows of at least a dozen houses, witnesses said. One of the houses burned to the ground while the other two fires were later extinguished by the local fire brigade, the witnesses said.

The patrol shouted ''Pakistani dogs,'' dragged people from their houses and then shot them, said Nazir Ahmad Baba, a lawyer who lives in the area.

India has accused Pakistan, a Moslem country, of aiding the Kashmir separatists.

Police confirmed that 12 people were killed in the incident.

The behavior of the security forces may have been prompted by two earlier attacks against them by militants in the same neighborhood.

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(AUG. 7) UPI - Philadelphia officials are questioning an Asian grocer who shot and killed a black man the grocer says was trying to rob his store. The shooting occurred in the same neighborhood where a similar incident June 13th ignited racial protests. Police say that in last night's shooting, the store owner believed the man had a gun, but NO gun was found. A black activist group and its white support group today called for city officials to re-open the investigation of the earlier shooting.

Former Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky was eulogized in Vienna as one of that nation's greatest leaders during a state funeral today. P-L-O chief Yasser Arafat was among more than 150 foreign dignataries attending the services. Tens of thousands of Austrians stood in the rain to view the funeral procession as it moved from the parliament building to the Imperial Palace grounds. Kreisky died last week at age 79.

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SPRINGFIELD, IL (AUG. 7) UPI - Wham! Bang! Jim Wham is in the race for the House of Representatives, at the head of his own party.

The Republican attorney from Centralia wants to run for Congress and he took the first step Monday by filing petitions with the Illinois State Board of Elections to form his own party, named the Jim Wham Party.

Wham, 71, turned in petitions containing what he said were more than 12,000 signatures to oppose Democratic Rep. Glenn Poshard of Carterville, who had been unopposed.

Wham's platform is based on his disapproval of Poshard's vote against a proposed constitutional amendment to ban flag burning. Wham said Poshard's vote on the issue took place after the deadline to run as an established candidate so the only way he could get on the ballot was to form his own party.

''He's not going to get a free ride with a vote like that,'' Wham said.

Wham, who has been a delegate to four Republican national conventions, needs at least 11,385 valid signatures to get his name and party on the ballot. Opponents have until the end of the week to file objections and try to have some of Wham's signatures disqualified.

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OMAHA (AUG. 7) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves 1,100; slaughter steers and heifers steady; trading moderately active; slaughter cows; steers choice 2-3 few 4 1100-1350 lb 76.00-77.00, select and choice 2-3 1050-1250 lb 74.50-76.00, select 2-3 71.50-74.00; holstein steers select and choice 2-3 1200-1350 lb 68.50-70.00; heifers choice 2-3 few 4 1000-1150 lb 75.50-76.00, load 76.50 select and choice 2-3 950-1100 lb 73.00-75.50, select 2-3 71.00-73.00; cows breaking 53.50-56.00, boning 53.50-56.00, canner and low cutter 50.00-53.50.

Hogs 1,400; butchers firm, some sales 50 higher; No 1-3 220-260 lb 59.50-60.00, No 1-2 210-230 lb 59.00-59.50; sows 50-1.00 lower; No 1-3 350-500 lb 51.50, package 51.75, No 2-3 500-650 lb 52.50, package 52.75.

Sheep 200; slaughter spring lambs and ewes steady; spring lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb 53.00-55.00, 100- 120 lb 47.00-51.00; shorn ewes cull to good 13.00-17.00.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - As oil prices continue their steep ascent, Marathon Oil is struggling to resume its oil operations in Libya, company officials said Tuesday.

But the effort is meeting stiff resistance from the Libyan National Oil Co., a state-owned company that oversees Libya's oil operations.

Marathon, a Houston-based subsidiary of USX Corp., reported Monday in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission that company officials have told the Libyans the company is ready to resume production there.

But Libya has been unwilling to allow Marathon back in, and the SEC document says the company ''is uncertain when or if those arrangements can be completed.''

Marathon is one of three U.S. companies that formed the Oasis Oil Co., which holds rights to approximately 49 percent of an estimated 2-billion barrel oil reserve in northeastern Libya's Sirte Basin. Its partners are Conoco Inc., owned by the Du Pont Co. of Delaware, and Amerada Hess Corp., which is based in New York.

Libya's NOC owns the other 51 percent of the concession, according to Michael O'Connor, a Conoco spokesman.

Oasis produced at the concession about 400,000 barrels of crude oil daily until 1986, when the U.S. government imposed trade sanctions on Libya and ordered U.S. companies to leave the country.

The U.S. Department of Treasury in June 1989 gave Marathon and its partners permission to resume Libyan production, provided the companies employed only non-Americans there and did not ship in any technology or spare parts.

The Libyan government however, has told Marathon it cannot return until the U.S. government lifts its trade sanctions, said Richard Chamblin, Marathon's vice president of international production.

The Libyans maintain that a standstill agreement they concluded with Oasis which permits Libya to continue pumping oil and keep all revenues, is still in effect.

Marathon claims that the standstill agreement has expired and that Oasis should be able to resume operations. Libya is also supposed to split revenues from the concession when the standstill agreement expires, but is not doing so, Chamblin said.

The SEC filing reported that Marathon is ''evaluating its legal remedies '' and Chamblin mentioned arbitration as an alternative.

Meanwhile, there is little hope the U.S. government will lift the Libyan sanctions anytime soon.

''We have had discussions with (the) State (Department) and Treasury and there is no indication that they will be lifted,'' said Chamblin.

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LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AUG. 7) UPI - Representatives of Navistar International Transportation Corp. and the United Auto Workers agreed Tuesday the federal government should take responsibility for providing health insurance.

''We have a good health program. We can make it better. But we're going to insist the company join with us to lobby for national health insurance, whose time has come,'' said Bill Casstevens, UAW serectary-treasurer and director of its Navistar department.

''It is a nagging problem. They (Navistar officers) are going to have to join with us to handle that legislatively,'' the union negotiator said. ''It's time for national health insurance in this country.''

John Sheahin, senior vice president of employee relations and administration, agreed a national health program could help solve the health insurance problem.

''We agree from a philosophy standpoint that whatever the number is of people that have no health insurance at all, we need to find a way to take care of that problem as a nation,'' Sheahin said.

''But whether that means national health care or some other way, we're still taking a look at it. We see an awful lot of waste in the system and what we're really working at is how to get rid of the waste in the health care system.''

The company employes 14,000 people in the United States and Canada. The UAW represents about 8,000 Navistar production, maintenance and clerical employees at manufacturing plants in Springfield, Ohio, Indianapolis, and Melrose Park, Ill.; parts distribution centers in Atlanta, Baltimore and Dallas; and at Navistar's Technical Center in Fort Wayne, Ind.

The hour-long ''ceremonial'' meeting Tuesday opened negotiations towards new labor agreements to replace those expiring Oct. 1.

''This is the first session where the union normally opens up with a short speech and gives us a list of their demands, what they expect to get out of the contract talks,'' said Sheahin, the lead company negotiator.

''The main issue from our side is we need to find ways to improve health care quality. I think, obviously from the union's side, they've made no bones about telling us their No. 1 job is to improve job security.''

Sheahin said there was no question that the UAW was very concerned about layoffs with the auto companies.

''There is less concern with us because we have a different job security program than the auto companies do, and the workers have received more protection through our job security program,'' he said.

''We do have job security, but it needs to be shored up somewhat,'' Casstevens countered. ''We are going to have some money too. It's been

quite a while.''

The union leader said a week-long shutdown was scheduled for some Navistar manufacturing plants beginning Aug. 13, ''but other than that I know of no other layoffs pending.''

Sheahin said there were few grievances from the union at this stage of the 1990 negotiations compared with the number of grievances in previous negotiations.

''I think that's an indication of the improvement in the relationship between the company and the union,'' Sheahin said.

''The negotiators will return to Louisville the last week in August and then, typically, we will get back together in the middle of September, when we will start the serious negotiations.

''That will follow the UAW negotiations with Ford, Chrysler and General Motors.''

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DETROIT (AUG. 7) UPI - The first Mazda sport utility vehicle rolled off the line Tuesday at Ford Motor Co.'s Louisville, Ky., plant, marking the first time a vehicle built in this country by a domestic automaker will be sold by an import manufacturer through its own dealer network.

Slated to go on sale this fall as a 1991 model, the Mazda Navajo is essentially a re-badged version of the new Ford Explorer sport utility vehicle, which hit showrooms in March and has been selling strongly.

But the Navajo will be offered in a two-door version only, while the Explorer is also sold in a four-door model - the latter expected to account for 70 percent of total sales because of a boom in the truck ''sedan'' market.

That market last year was dominated by the Chevrolet S-10 Blazer made by General Motors Corp. and the Jeep Cherokee, made by Chrysler Corp.

''We considered a four-door version, but it was determined that our MPV is a better way to serve customers,'' Mazda spokesman Fred Aikins said. The MPV is Mazda's rear-drive minivan that is also offered with all-wheel-drive.

A Ford spokesman said there were discussions between the No. 2 automaker and 25 percent-owned Mazda, which has been an affiliate for about 20 years about the Japanese automaker marketing a four-door version. But he

conceded Ford never formally offered Mazda such a deal.

''But that does not infer that Ford tried to snooker Mazda,'' he said. ''Given their sales volumes, they just decided not to complicate their lives with two versions.''

Mazda hopes to sell between 15,000 and 18,000 Navajos a year, each one equipped with Ford's V-6 engine, four-wheel-drive, 5-speed manual transmission, power windows and door locks, and rear anti-lock brakes as standard.

Ford, however, is intent on becoming the segment leader in the sport utility vehicle market, meaning it must sell 180,000 or more Explorers a year to do so to outstrip the Blazer, also offered in a four-door version for the first time this year.

No prices have yet been announced on the Mazda Navajo. But a similarly equipped two-door Explorer starts at over $16,200, and typically equipped versions have been selling for about $18,000, a company spokesman said.

The four-door Explorer ranges from about $16,500 for the four-wheel-drive model to over $24,000 for the top-line ''Eddie Bauer'' edition.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (AUG. 7) UPI - Christin Brando, the eldest son of actor Marlon Brando, pleaded innocent Tuesday to murdering his pregnant half-sister's boyfriend at the actor's estate.

Brando, 32, also pleaded innocent at his Superior Court arraignment to a charge of possessing a machine gun.

Judge David Perez ordered Brando held in lieu of $10 million bail - believed to be the highest ever set in Los Angeles County - and to return to court for a pre-trial hearing Sept. 14.

Defense attorney Robert Shapiro said he would ask the judge during a hearing Thursday to reduce Brando's bail, which he said would normally be set at $50,000 to $100,000.

''We are going to ask that Christian not be singled out and be treated like any onther person,'' Shapiro said.

The court, which also demanded Brando's passport, should not be concerned about his fleeing the United States, Shapiro said.

''We are going to present a very structured plan that will satisfy the

most skeptical person that Christian will make all his court appearances '' Shapiro said.

Marlon Brando did not attend Tuesday's arraignment, the first court appearance he has missed since his son's arrest.

Brando was ordered last month to stand trial in the case following a two-day preliminary hearing in Municipal Court.

If convicted of first-degree murder, he could be sentenced to 25 years to life in state prison. Prosecutors are not seeking the death penalty.

Brando was charged with shooting to death Dag Drollett, 26, the boyfriend of his half-sister, Cheyenne Brando, 20, in their father's 12-room estate in the Santa Monica Mountains on May 16.

Prosecutors said the shooting was pre-meditated. They claim Christian Brando accused Drollet, the son of an influential political figure in Tahiti, of beating his half-sister.

Prosecutors said Drollet was shot in the head at point-blank range while watching television. They said his body was found with a television remote control in one hand and a cigarette lighter in the other hand.

Christian Brando told police that he accidentally shot Drollet while he and the victim were wrestling for the weapon, a .45-caliber handgun.

''I shot him, man, but not on purpose,'' Los Angeles police quoted Brando as telling them after the incident. ''Please believe me. I wouldn't do it my father's house.''

However, prosecutors say that Cheyenne Brando in mid June gave a statement to police in which she indicated that Christian had pre-meditated the slaying. Shortly after giving that statement, Cheyenne returned to Tahati, where she is a citizen, in an apparent move to avoid testifying against her half brother.

She has since given birth to Drollet's child.

Marlon Brando was home at the time of the shooting, but was in a different room. He telephoned police after hearing the gunshot.

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JERUSALEM (AUG. 7) UPI - Police increased patrols in Jerusalem Tuesday to prevent revenge attacks on Arabs during the funerals of two Jewish teenagers found stabbed to death near an Arab neighborhood.

Palestinian cars were stoned and Arab workers beaten Tuesday morning, but the number of incidents was much lower than on Monday evening when hundreds of Jews joined the anti-Arab violence. In Israel, the slayings have overshadowed the developing crisis in the Persian Gulf.

Police were investigating whether the shooting death of a Palestinian woman from the West Bank city of Hebron was related to killings of the two Jewish teenagers.

Jewish settlers said the killing might have been related to Arab collaborator activity, but warned that Arabs should realize that attacks on Jews cause attacks on Arabs, Israel Radio reported.

Widespread disturbances erupted in Jerusalem Monday after police found the bodies of two Jewish teenagers missing since Saturday.

Lior Tubul, 17, and Ronen Karamani, 18, had been bound and stabbed in the back. Police said they believed the killings were political and not criminal and had been committed by Arab nationalists.

Despite calls for restraint, more than 20 Arab-owned cars were damaged by rocks and several vehicles set on fire in the anti-Arab violence that lasted until nearly midnight Monday. Police said most of those participating in the rock-throwing were teenagers or members of the extremist anti-Arab Kach movement.

Palestinian sources said Azizeh Salem Jaber, 25, was shot in the head as she road in a car with her brother-in-law after leaving his pregnant wife at a hospital Monday evening. The driver of the car, Najeh Omar Jaber, 24, who was wounded by bullet fragments in the back, said as many as 15 shots were fired at his car as it passed near the Jewish settlement of Kiryat Arba.

Large numbers of police patrolled Jerusalem to prevent violence during the youths' funerals Tuesday.

Prominent Palestinians issued a statement expressing sorrow about the deaths and denounced the killing of innocent people on both sides of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

The statement said the deaths were ''the fruit of the evil'' planted by the Israeli occupation and blamed them on Israel's ''refusal ... to deal seriously with the peace process.''

In the wake of the killings, right-wing Israeli politicians called for the arrest and deportation of prominent Palestinians, charging they were the leaders of the Palestinian uprising.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Television viewers boarded the rerun express in a big way last week with repeat programs, ranging from sitcoms to movies, all ranking in the top 10, it was reported Tuesday.

Competition was neck-and-neck among the networks in the weekly Nielsen ratings race. NBC had three shows, including the top-rated ''Cheers,'' in the top 10. CBS had three shows as well, while ABC and Fox had two shows each.

It was a five-show pileup in third place, with NBC's ''Empty Nest'' and ''Unsolved Mysteries'' garnering a 13 rating and a 26 share, ABC's ''America's Funniest Home Videos'' and ''Roseanne'' with a 13 rating and a 24 and 22 share respectively, and Fox's ''Married...With Children'' with a 13 rating and 22 share.

The share for ''Roseanne'' was one of the lowest ever in its regular time period.

The July 31 broadcast of part 2 of the CBS movie ''Murder Ordained'' fared well in 10th place. In the previous ratings period, part 1 of the movie tied for the No. 3 spot.

In addition to ''Married...With Children,'' Fox scored high with ''The Simpsons'' in ninth place. Missing from the top 10 was NBC's ''The Cosby Show,'' which dropped to 11th place. ''The Simpsons'' is slated to go head to head with the Cosby juggernaut in the coming fall season.

In the weekly network competition, NBC edged into first place with a 9.0 rating and a 17 share, followed by ABC with an 8.9 rating and a 17 share. CBS posted an 8.5 rating and a 16 share and Fox earned a 5.2 rating and a 10 share.

On a night-by-night basis, CBS won Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, NBC won Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday and ABC took Friday.

''Peak freaks'' held sway in the Sunday night movie race, with ABC's rebroadcast of the two-hour pilot of ''Twin Peaks'' scoring an 11.6 rating and a 20 share, tying for 14th place with CBS's ''Murder, She Wrote.''

NBC's Sunday night movie entry, ''Parker Kane,'' one of the few original broadcasts for the week, landed in 31st place with a 9.9 rating and a 17 share, and CBS's repeat of the TV movie ''Leap of Faith'' was grounded in 46th place, tied with ABC's ''Growing Pains'' and ''Head of the Class.''

For news, once again more Americans watched ABC's ''World News Tonight'' with Peter Jennings, in first place with a commanding 8.8 rating and a 20 share.

However, ''NBC Nightly News'' with Tom Brokaw, which had been moving up on the outside, broke through to second place with a 7.8 rating and an 18 share, narrowly edging ''The CBS Evening News'' with Dan Rather, which had a 7.7 rating and an 18 share.

It was the first time since the week of April 2 that the NBC news broadcast was No. 2 in the rankings.

In the 46-week season-to-date competition, NBC has a 13.2 rating and a 23 share, followed by ABC with an 11.9 rating and a 21 share, and CBS with an 11.3 rating and a 19 share.

Each ratings point represents about 921,000 households. A share is the percentage of TV sets in use that are tuned to a particular show or network.

The top programs for the week ending Sunday, Aug. 5, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., were:

1. Cheers (NBC)
2. 60 Minutes (CBS)
3. (tie) Empty Nest (NBC)
4. Unsolved Mysteries (NBC)
5. America's Funniest Home Videos (ABC)
6. Roseanne (ABC)
7. Married...With Children (Fox)
8. Designing Women (CBS)
9. The Simpsons (Fox)
10. Murder Ordained, part 2, CBS Tuesday Movie

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(AUG. 7) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein took a hard-line stance on U-N-endorsed trade sanctions, vowing to repel any attack on Iraqi forces in Kuwait. But Hussein also sought to ease fears of a hostage crisis by saying Iraq may free 400 foreign nationals seized in Kuwait. To prevent Iraqi military action beyond Kuwait, the Soviet Union announced today it is sending two warships to the Persian Gulf region where the United States already has mounted a formidable naval presence.

Turkey says it agrees in principle with U-N-endorsed sanctions against Iraq and implied it was closing two Iraqi oil pipelines on Turkish territory. The move comes after Turkish President Ozal held an emergency

Cabinet meeting yesterday. A government spokesman implied, but did NOT directly say, that Turkey will close two Iraqi oil pipelines. He also denied reports that American F-111 bombers landed at a U-S air base in southern Turkey, some 400 miles from the Iraqi border.

Bulgaria's government resigned today... clearing the way for the formation of Bulgaria's first democratically elected Cabinet in four decades. Prime Minister Andrei Loukanov handed in his government's resignation in the planned move. He's expected to stay on to form the new Cabinet. Loukanov, a member of the former Communist Party now known as the Socialists, says he'll include members of the democratic opposition in his new government.

U-P-I today obtained a letter of apology which California Representative Fortney ''Pete'' Stark sent to Health Secretary Louis Sullivan. The white Democratic lawmaker had called the black Cabinet member a disgrace to his race for allegedly reversing personal views to gain the government post. Stark says in the letter dated August 6th that his comments were ''indefensible.''

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#90219u1455 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - West German Chancellor Kohl failed to strike a deal with his political rivals to move up the date of all-German elections from December to October. Kohl told reporters in Bonn there was agreement that German unification should be completed soon, but NO deal was reached on changing the election date. Political analysts say the Social Democratic party challenging Kohl would have a better chance to win an end-of-the-year election.

NASA managers today canceled a planned fueling test for the shuttle Columbia to save time in preparing the spacecraft for launch. The cancellation of the August 23rd test moves Columbia's launch date up about five days to around September 1st. Authorities say they'll use sensors during the shuttle's fueling process just before launch to determine whether Columbia still has a fuel leak.

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#90219u1468 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (AUG. 7) UPI - A senior army commander charged that some civil servants are helping civilian political parties and anti-government groups to plan disturbances set for Wednesday, official Rangoon radio reported.

''Some public service personnel are engaging in politics on office time and are operating in their departments - either quietly or openly,'' said Maj. Gen. Myo Nyunt, the military chairman of Rangoon. ''They are using

office equipment to print and spread propaganda.''

Myo Nyunt said in a speech broadcast Monday night the military would take ''severe action'' against such civil servants.

Under martial law, the local military commander can hand down the death sentence for violations of tight restrictions on political activity that remain in place despite the May 27 elections that gave an overwhelming mandate to the leading opposition political party.

The Rangoon commander said the propaganda campaign, aided by foreign radio stations, was aimed at creating mass disturbances on Wednesday, the second anniversary of nationwide demonstrations calling for a return to democratic rule.

''We have already stated categorically that we will not allow a recurrence of the 1988 situation,'' he said.

Myo Nyunt said the military junta was ruling under martial law that gave it ''the right to take immediate action and we are capable of taking such action.''

He denied what he said were rumors of a split between him and military intelligence chief Maj. Gen. Khin Nyunt (no relation).

''This rumor was spread to create division,'' he said.

Myo Nyunt reiterated that the military would not yield power until a new constitution had been drafted to the satisfaction of the military and approved by the people.

Civilian politicians have charged that the military is deliberately drawing out the process for the civilian government to take office in order to hold onto power.

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#90219u1489 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

DENVER (AUG. 7) UPI - Gov. Roy Romer ordered a statewide grand jury investigation Tuesday into allegations that homebuilder M.D.C Holdings and the failed Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan may have made illegal contributions to his and other political campaigns.

M.D.C. and Silverado may have laundered political contributions to several local, state and federal campaigns by funneling the payments through subcontractors and employees, according to accounts in The Denver Post and the Rocky Mountain News.

Romer said he had ordered Attorney General Duane Woodard to act as a special prosecutor and convene a statewide grand jury to investigate the allegations. The Colorado Bureau of Investigation was ordered to aid Woodard's investigation.

The Democratic governor, who is up for re-election this year, also placed $32,900 in an escrow account, representing contributions his 1986 campaign received from Silverado and two developers implicated in the thrift's failure, Ken Good and Bill Walters.

Romer said he would give the money to the Resolution Trust Corporation if Woodard's investigation showed the contributions were illegal or should have gone to pay off the debt being picked up by taxpayers because of the thrift's failure in 1988.

The Rocky Mountain News said M.D.C. "systematically pressured subcontractors for hundreds of thousands of dollars in contributions on behalf of state political candidates for at least four years." One contractor said M.D.C. promised to reimburse him by padding invoices on building services, the newspaper said.

Silverado's failure, which could cost the taxpayers $1 billion, has been under investigation by the government's Office of Thrift Supervision. It has become a symbol of the thrift industry debacle partly because a former director of Silverado was Neil Bush, son of the president.

"I was shocked by the allegations of laundering in numerous campaigns, including my campaign, in 1986," Romer told a news conference. "I had absolutely no knowledge of this event."

The governor said politicians are forced to raise large amounts of money and must take most of it "in good faith." He also said he had never received any contact from anyone associated with Silverado seeking favors because of the contributions.

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#90219u1496 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

HOLLYWOOD (AUG. 7) UPI - ''Ghost,'' materializing as the summer's surprise hit, floated past Harrison Ford's courtroom drama ''Presumed Innocent'' to narrowly spirit away the No. 1 spot at the box office by taking in $10.8 million over the weekend at 1,766 screens.

''Ghost,'' a love story-thriller starring Patrick Swayze and Demi Moore, had finished in first place two weekends ago in its second week of release and landed in second place on its first and third weekends. It has scared up an impressive $69.1 million in ticket sales in 24 days for Paramount Pictures.

Overall, the top 10 films did a solid business over the weekend with $61.1 million in ticket sales, up 4 percent from the $58.9 million in the year-ago period and off 4 percent from the previous weekend's brisk $63.5 million.

For the week, the domestic box office totaled $132.3 million, up from $126.4 million for the same week last year and $118.5 million two years ago.

The weekend pushed the year-to-date box-office total to $2.94 billion, off slightly from the $3.02 billion at this point last year, when audiences bought a record-setting $5 billion in tickets.

''Presumed Innocent'' continued to make a persuasive argument as audiences gave it a second place verdict on its second weekend, with $10.2 million at 1,380 screens. The Warner Bros. release, based on Scott Turow's best-selling novel about a prosecutor charged with murdering his estranged lover, has brought in a convincing $28.4 million in 10 days of release.

Fox's ''Young Guns II'' blasted its way into the No. 3 spot with a fairly explosive weekend gross of $8 million in 1,770 theaters. The Wild West sequel, starring brat-packers Kiefer Sutherland and Emilio Estevez, has taken in an arresting $11.8 million in five days of release.

''Problem Child'' kept up its hell-raising pace for Universal in its second weekend, taking in $6.8 million at 1,768 screens, as it moved from third to fourth place. The comedy, starring John Ritter as the adoptive father of a devilish child, has taken in a boisterous $22.1 million in 10 days.

Disney's horror-comedy ''Arachnophobia'' scurried from fourth to fifth place, but still showed some legs in its third weekend, with $5.9 million on 2,005 screens. The film, the first release from Disney's Hollywood Pictures unit, has entangled a solid $34.1 million in its web during 19 days of release.

''Die Hard 2,'' which shot into first place on three consecutive weekends last month, fell from fifth to sixth place with $4.8 million over the weekend on 1,946 screens. The sequel, which sees Bruce Willis reprise his role as an off-duty cop taking on terrorists, has attacked the box office for an impressive $95.6 million gross during its first five weeks in release.

Spike Lee's tribute to jazz, ''Mo' Better Blues,'' hit the right notes with audiences and finished in seventh with a swinging opening weekend of $4.4 million at 544 screens for a lively per-screen average of $8,065.

Disney's animated feature, ''Duck Tales,'' flew into eighth place with an opening weekend of $3.8 million at 1,549 screens.

Meanwhile, the studio's comic-book extravaganza, ''Dick Tracy,'' became the fifth film released this year to top $100 million with a $2 million week at 990 screens to bring its gross to $101.1 million.

The year's top performer, ''Pretty Woman,'' kept showing its legs, adding $1.1 million over the weekend at 892 screens. After 20 weeks of release, its gross has reached $164.1 million.

For the year, the second, third and fourth best grossers: ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles,'' $131.4 million in 19 weeks; ''The Hunt for Red October,'' $120 million in 22 weeks; and ''Total Recall,'' $112.8 million in 10 weeks.

The top 10, last weekend's gross, total gross, weeks in release:

1. ''Ghost,'' $10.8 million, $69.1 million, 4 weeks.
2. ''Presumed Innocent,'' $10.2 million, $28.4 million, 2 weeks.
3. ''Young Guns II,'' $8 million, $11.8 million, 1 week.
4. ''Problem Child,'' $6.8 million, $22.1 million, 2 weeks.
5. ''Arachnophobia,'' $5.9 million, $34.1 million, 3 weeks.
6. ''Die Hard 2,'' $4.8 million, $95.6 million, 5 weeks.
7. ''Mo' Better Blues,'' $4.4 million, 1 week.
8. ''Duck Tales,'' $3.8 million, 1 week.
9. ''The Freshman,'' $3.4 million, $10.1 million, 3 weeks.
10. ''The Jungle Book,'' $2.6 million, $31.7 million, 4 weeks.

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#90219u1502 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - The manufacturer of a potentially defective heart valve Tuesday announced plans to notify patients who have the devices in their chests of the possible dangers.

Shiley Inc. of Irvine, Calif., a subsidiary of Pfizer Inc., of New York, said it would establish a patient registry to ''facilitate the flow of medical information to these patients.

The action comes in response to concerns raised by the Public Citizen Health Research Group in Washington, a consumer group that asked the Food and Drug Administration in July to order the company to warn patients.

About 86,000 people were implanted with the Bjork-Shiley ''convexo-concave'' heart valve, which was voluntarily withdrawn from the market in November 1986 - five years after the first reports of life-threatening valve fractures surfaced.

The company sent warning letters to surgeons who implanted the devices, but Public Citizen contended each patient deserved direct notification.

Public Citizen estimates that at least 50,000 people worldwide still have the valves, including about 20,000 in the United States.

''The program will help promote patient awareness of the signs and symptoms of the serious of life-threatening complications associated with all mechanical valves, and the steps to be taken in the event emergency medical treatment is required,'' Shiley said in a statement.

''Whereever possible, the information will be provided through the patient's personal physician, although the program will also be designed to provide information directly to patients if necessary,'' the company said.

''The FDA's concern and reevaluation as well as (Public Citizen's) interest in enhanced patient communications were among the several important factors in our decision to attempt to develop a patient registry '' said Dr. Roger Sachs, vice president and medical director of Shiley, in the statement.

Shiley officials have said replacing valves already in patients would be foodhardy because the death rate from replacement surgery would be about 5 percent, far higher than the .02 percent to .13 percent annual risk that a Shiley valve will fail.

In May, a California judge dismissed a lawsuit filed by Public Citizen against Shiley and Pfizer, citing a technicality, that sought to force the companies to warn patients.

As of July 6, 395 of the valves had fractured, leading to at least 252 deaths, Public Citizen said. The death toll may be as high as 750 because not all deaths have been reported to officials, Public Citizen said.

''Pfizer is to be commended for changing its mind because its about face will save the lives of many patients,'' Public Citizen said in a statement.

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#90219u1578 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Electricity bills in the New York metropolitan area could jump by mid-September as the higher cost of fuel oil generated by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait is passed to consumers, utility executives said Tuesday.

Long Island Lighting Co. and Consolidated Edison, which provide power to Long Island, New York City and most of Westchester County, have been hit

by jumps of as much as $5 a barrel in No. 6 fuel oil, executives said.

No one could predict just how much the hikes could be.

Public officials pointed out, however, that both utilities have millions of gallons in reserve, and vowed that consumers' electricity bills would not be affected until the higher-priced oil reaches power generators.

Marty Gidden, spokesman for Consolidated Edison, said the company had ''several million barrels in storage that we bought at earlier prices.''

He said that in the summer, Con Ed burned natural gas that wasn't needed to heat homes and businesses, and that helped to stretch fuel oil reserves. He added that Con Ed also could tap into nuclear-generated power.

''Last year, a quarter of (our) electricity use came from natural gas,'' Glitten said.

But he said the price jumps ''certainly are going to have an impact on the fuel adjustment portion of bills.''

''You certainly are going to see the price start to go up in the next month or 45 days,'' he said.

Elaine Davis, spokeswoman for the Long Island Lighting Co., said LILCO had 1.8 million gallons of No. 6 fuel oil in reserve, and another 1.8 million gallons ''on the way that we purchased before the Kuwait situation.''

''These inventories will be burned through August and well into September '' she said, and predicted that any higher-priced oil would not be used by LILCO for six or eight weeks.

She said LILCO was mostly dependent on No. 6 oil, but occasionally used natural gas to power two smaller generating units.

Davis said there was usually a lag in billing, and consumers billed on the monthly budget program would see the hike first, probably in their October bill, then others on their regular two-month billing for October-November.

''We hope that prices will start to go down,'' she said. ''Nobody wants to raise prices, and we are constantly looking at the market and trying to buy the cheapest oil possible.''

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CHICAGO (AUG. 7) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.83 1/2	2.83 1/2	2.81	2.81 1/4	2.82 1/4
Dec	2.99 1/2	2.99 1/2	2.96 1/2	2.96 3/4	2.97 3/4
Mar	3.07	3.07 3/4	3.05 1/4	3.05 1/2	3.06 1/2
May	3.08	3.10	3.07 1/2	3.07 1/2	3.07
Jly	3.09	3.09 1/2	3.07 1/2	3.07 1/2	3.07 1/2

Monday sales 51,435 bushels; Monday open interest 302,095 off 2,345.

Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.54 1/2	2.54 3/4	2.52 1/4	2.54	2.54 1/4
Dec	2.49 1/4	2.50 1/4	2.47 1/4	2.49 1/4	2.49 1/4
Mar	2.57	2.58 1/4	2.55 1/4	2.57	2.56 3/4
May	2.63 3/4	2.64 1/4	2.61 3/4	2.63 3/4	2.63 3/4
Jly	2.66 3/4	2.67 1/2	2.65 1/2	2.67 1/4	2.66 3/4
Sep	2.61	2.62	2.61	2.61	2.60
Dec	2.57 1/2	2.60	2.57 1/4	2.59 3/4	2.56 3/4

Monday sales 191,845 bushels; Monday
open interest 1,044,255 off 11,970.

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.18 1/2	1.18 1/2	1.15 3/4	1.17 1/4	1.16 3/4
Dec	1.29	1.29 1/2	1.26 1/2	1.28 1/4	1.27 1/2
Mar	1.40	1.40	1.37	1.38 1/2	1.38
May	1.43	1.44	1.42 1/2	1.44	1.43 1/2
Jly	1.47	1.48 1/2	1.47	1.48 1/2	1.48

Monday sales 4,445 bushels; Monday open interest 57,870 off 605.

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Aug	5.96	5.96	5.93	5.95 1/4	5.95 1/4
Sep	5.99	6.01	5.98	6.00 1/4	5.99 3/4
Nov	6.07	6.10	6.04 3/4	6.09 1/4	6.08 1/2
Jan	6.18	6.20	6.15 3/4	6.19 3/4	6.18 3/4
Mar	6.28 1/2	6.30 1/2	6.26 3/4	6.30 1/2	6.31
May	6.37	6.38 1/2	6.34 1/2	6.38 1/4	6.38
Jly	6.43	6.44	6.40	6.43 3/4	6.43
Aug	6.42	6.42	6.39 1/2	6.39 1/2	6.42
Sep	6.29	6.29	6.29	6.29	6.30
Nov	6.25	6.25	6.21	6.25	6.24 1/2

Monday sales 191,775 bushels; Monday open interest 447,595 up 3,565.

Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Aug	24.20	24.33	24.15	24.31	24.20
Sep	24.10	24.25	24.07	24.23	24.08
Oct	24.09	24.25	24.08	24.21	24.06
Dec	24.12	24.30	24.08	24.23	24.08

Jan	24.25	24.38	24.25	24.25	24.17
Mar	24.30	24.55	24.30	24.35	24.30
May	24.45	24.50	24.40	24.41	24.42
Jly	24.40	24.50	24.38	24.38	24.40

Monday sales 9,170 contracts; Monday open interest 81,584 off 598.

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Aug	171.80	172.40	170.70	171.90	172.10
Sep	173.00	173.90	172.00	173.40	173.00
Oct	174.50	175.00	173.30	174.60	174.00
Dec	177.00	177.50	175.40	177.10	176.70
Jan	178.30	178.70	177.00	178.20	178.00
Mar	180.50	181.50	179.70	180.50	180.50
May	181.50	182.50	181.00	182.10	181.00
Jly	183.00	184.00	181.50	183.20	182.50
Aug	180.00	180.50	180.00	180.50	180.20

Monday sales 14,934 contracts; Monday
open interest 65,379 off 1,888.

Open interest is reported by the CBOT in thousands of bushels.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (AUG. 7) UPI - American automakers will continue to lose U.S. market share to the Japanese in the 90s as the industry faces a stagnant domestic market, tougher competition and more government regulation, a management consulting firm predicted Tuesday.

Meanwhile, the process of making cars ''will undergo more extensive and exciting changes'' than in any previous decade because of a ''new emphasis on design and technology,'' the consultants, Arthur D. Little Inc., said.

''By the year 2000, the typical automobile will have $2,000 worth of electronic components, versus $200 in 1980,'' Little said.

Also, ''servicing and repair of automobiles, a traditional customer, complaint, will become a major arena of competition ... particularly with the lower production volumes as a result of the sluggish demand and niche marketing.''

The firm said ''cars will be dramatically redesigned, causing today's vehicles to appear visually and functionally dated.''

But cars will be more expensive, Little believes. ''Increased use of materials such as aluminum and plastics, introduced to reduce weight and improve fuel economy (to meet more stringent federal requirements), also will simplify assembly and yield greater design freedom, while at the same

time increasing the cost of cars and trucks.''

The erosion of the U.S. automakers' share of the domestic market will continue at a slower pace than in the previous decade, Little estimated. The Big Three automakers' share of the domestic market likely will slip to 59 percent by 1995 and the Japanese share will climb to 31 percent from 29 percent five years ago, the company said.

In just the five years from 1985 through 1989, the U.S. carmakers' share plunged to 61 percent of all autos sold in the United States from 71 percent at the start of the period, Little said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Gold futures closed 10 points higher to 70 points lower Tuesday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	384.50	385.50	380.00	384.50	384.70
Sep	387.00	....	....	386.90	387.00
Oct	389.00	390.00	384.00	389.10	389.00
Dec	394.20	394.50	388.70	393.70	393.80
Feb	399.00	399.50	393.50	398.00	398.20
Apr	400.00	402.00	397.30	402.00	402.30
Jun	404.50	406.20	402.40	406.20	406.60
Aug	409.30	410.20	409.30	410.20	410.70
Oct	413.00	414.80	413.00	414.80	415.30
Dec	416.60	419.40	416.50	419.40	420.00
Feb	424.00	424.40	424.00	424.40	425.00
Apr	429.80	....	....	429.10	429.80

Open interest: 105,598 off 119.

Estimated sales: 65,000 contracts.

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#90219u1639 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Hank Steinbrenner will have to wait a while before New York Yankees partners can vote on his nomination to succeed his father as general partner of the team.

A meeting of partners scheduled in Cleveland for Wednesday has been

postponed because of a family emergency involving one of the partners. The partners have not set a new date but it's unlikely the Yankees will have a new general partner in place by Aug. 20.

That is the date Commissioner Fay Vincent told Yankees principal owner George Steinbrenner he must permanently resign as general partner. George Steinbrenner has nominated his son Hank to take over the club and he must first be approved by 67 percent of the Yankees partners.

Vincent, who punished George Steinbrenner for paying $40,000 to a gambler for providing information on former Yankee Dave Winfield, has said he will not delay his sanctions if the Yankees don't have a replacement for Steinbrenner by Aug. 20.

''If George has to step down, I guess the place will run itself for a while,'' one Yankees official said Tuesday.

If Hank Steinbrenner is approved by the partners, he must then gain approval from 10 of the 13 remaining American League owners and a majority of the 12 National League owners.

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#90219u1640 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - Iraq's President Saddam Hussein warned today he will confront what he described as ''any imperialist, Zionist attack'' against Iraqi forces occupying Kuwait. The official Iraqi News Agency says Hussein met in Baghdad with the prime minister and military commander of the government he installed after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Thursday.

The Soviet Union says two of its warships are on their way to the Persian Gulf. But the Soviet foreign minister in Moscow today said there's NO intention to ''flex any muscles'' there. The Soviet press notes Iraq is a long-time ally... but says the Soviets cannot excuse what it called ''the plundering'' of Kuwait.

The Kuwaiti resistance movement says it has killed or wounded 11 Iraqi soldiers. The Kuwaiti News Agency says Kuwaiti soldiers and civilians used machines guns and grenades to launch three attacks against Iraqi forces. The news agency also said Kuwait radio resumed broadcasting today with anti-Iraq programs.

In Bonn... West Germany's top political leaders could NOT agree today on when to hold elections for a unified Germany. Chancellor Kohl wants to move the vote up to October and to merge the two states at the same time. But the opposition Social Democrats want the election in December... counting on hard times to help the party's cause by then.

Democratic Representative Fortney ''Pete'' Stark of California has apologized to Health Secretary Louis Sullivan. U-P-I today obtained a copy of yesterday's letter... in which Stark calls his earlier remarks against Sullivan ''indefensible.'' Stark had called Sullivan a ''disgrace'' to the black race because of his stands against abortion funds and national health insurance.

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#90219u1641 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - Here are the names and types of the major U.S. warships in the eastern Mediterranean Sea and Persian Gulf region:

(Eastern Mediterranean - Eisenhower battle group, 13 ships)

USS Dwight D. Eisenhower, Nimitz-class, nuclear-powered aircraft carrier

USS Ticonderoga, guided-missile cruiser (with AEGIS air defense system)

USS Scott, guided-missile destroyer

USS Tattnall, guided-missile destroyer

USS Peterson, destroyer

USS John L. Hall, guided-missile frigate

USS Paul, frigate

Oilers, ammunition ships, etc.

(Northern Arabian Sea - Independence battle group, 13 ships)

USS Independence, Forrestal-class aircraft carrier

USS Antietam, guided-missile cruiser(AEGIS equipped)

USS Jouett, guided-missile cruiser

USS Goldsborough, guided-missile destroyer

USS Brewton, frigate

USS Reasoner, frigate

Oilers, ammunition ships, etc.

(Joint Task Force-Middle East in Persian Gulf, 8 ships)

USS LaSalle, command ship

Guided-missile cruiser (not identified)

Destroyer (not identified)

USS Robert G. Bradley, guided-missile frigate

USS Taylor, guided-missile frigate

frigate (not identified)

frigate (not identified)

frigate (not identified)

(On way to Mediterranean - Saratoga battle group, 15 ships)

USS Saratoga, Forrestal-class aircraft carrier

USS Wisconsin, battleship

USS Philippine Sea, guided-missile cruiser (AEGIS equipped)

USS Biddle, guided-missile cruiser

USS Sampson, guided-missile destroyer

USS Spruance, destroyer

USS Elmer Montgomery, frigate

USS Thomas C. Hart, frigate

USS Detroit, fast combat ship

Oilers, ammunition ship, etc.

Mediterranean Amphibious Group - 2,100 combat Marines

USS Inchon, amphibious assault ship

USS Nashville, amphibious transport ship

USS Whidbey Island, dock landing ship

USS Newport, tank landing ship

USS Fairfax County, tank landing ship\

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#90219u1652 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
ANCHORAGE, AK (AUG. 7) UPI - Officials in Alaska, which receives 85 percent of its revenues from oil royalties, are reacting cautiously to the events unfolding in the Middle East that have sent oil prices soaring.

''The situation is so unclear. The situation needs to clarify. It may take days. It may take weeks. We have to wait and see what happens next, talk to our advisers,'' Hugh Malone, Alaska's revenue commissioner, said Tuesday.

Alaska is the nation's largest oil-producing state. At 1.8 million barrels per day, Alaska provides approximately one-fourth of U.S. needs.

After the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, Alaska's congressional delegation has begun a push to open the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil exploration.

Efforts to open the refuge have been stymied ever since the Exxon Valdez spilled nearly 11 million gallons of crude in Prince William Sound in March 1989.

Declining oil revenues in the past year also has forced Gov. Steve Cowper to make more than $325 million in cuts from the state's $2.9 billion budget. The cuts included a new deposit to Alaska's Permanent Fund account from which residents are annually paid dividends ranging from $500-$1,000 per person.

''We don't have any reason to think the events of the last few days suggest any reason to make any immediate policy changes or changes in operations right now,'' Malone said.

Alaskan policy-makers are being advised that long-term fiscal implications of the invasion will depend on changes in daily Mideast oil production and pricing levels that may be affected by Iraqi initiatives and world reaction.

Until production levels change, Malone said, ''We have to think this is a temporary aberration.''

Malone added, however, that advisers have warned the situation in the Mideast could remain unstable and dangerous.

''No one can predict what the Iraqis will do next, and whatever they

decide, if we don't like it, the only thing that will change their mind is military force,'' Malone said.

State Rep. Kay Brown echoed concerns expressed by the governor and others in the state that Alaskans don't want to be viewed as profiting from an international crisis.

''Certainly Alaska's revenue picture is substantially improved with a higher price (for oil). At least hopefully we'd meet projections for the current year. But we don't know what the world situation will be from day to day. Alaskans want to see their budgetary situation settled, but not at the expense of the rest of the country and world peace,'' Brown said.

Brown said there is legislative sentiment for a special session, not entirely driven by the Mideast crisis, to address the governor's budget vetoes and a looming crisis in subsistence fish and game management.

But, she added, ''it seems awfully early'' to rely on what may be temporary oil price increases to solve budgetary woes, and there is overwhelming public opposition to tapping the Permanent Fund for that purpose.

''There's a lot of sentiment that if we restored the cuts it would only be if we balanced the budget. That means if we put something back, we'd take something else out. That really complicates the debate,'' Brown said.

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ATLANTIC CITY, NJ (AUG. 7) UPI - The 11 Atlantic City casinos that were in business a year ago made 14.3 percent less off of gamblers last month than they did in July 1989, New Jersey Casino Association officials said Tuesday. The fall-off is a "cause for concern," the business group's president said.

Not counting the Taj Mahal, which opened in April, the city's casinos had a July win of $247.2 million - a decrease of more than $40 million from $288.4 million a year earlier. The figures are even gloomier than estimates released last week by the association, which projected the casinos made nearly $250 million in July.

Adding the $40 million won by the Taj Mahal, the casinos made $1.3 million less last month than in 1989. The association had forecast the casinos' total win would be $2.1 million more than in July 1989.

Tom Carver, the association's president, said the less than 1 percent discrepancy in the estimated and actual figures did not change the overall picture, which he said was bleak. "The fact we did not have any growth in

one of the major months of the year with a beautiful new facility is a cause of concern," Carver said.

Carver interpreted the latest win figures as a sign that Atlantic City has reached a point where there are too many casinos and not enough gamblers. "It's obvious we have too much capacity for the amount of market," he said. "What we have to do is expand the market."

Carver said Gov. Jim Florio's appointment last week of a new government panel to oversee the promotion and development of Atlantic City should help the New Jersey casino industry.

The "coordinating council" of state and local officials has set an ambitious agenda that includes developing a major airport, building a new convention center and sprucing up the city's physical appearance.

"For too long, the future of this city was left in the hands of a municipal government that wasn't prepared to handle it," Carver said. "Finally we have the government processes in order to turn Atlantic City into a year-round resort."

The latest figures showed too casinos made more money last month than in July 1989. The Claridge, the city's smallest casino, made $13.3 million for the month vs. $11.7 million, while the Sands reported a modest two percent increase.

Losers were led by Trump Castle, whose July gaming revenues plunged nearly 28 percent to $21.4 million from $29.7 million a year earlier. Other big losers were: Trump Plaza, down 23.6 percent, and Bally's Grand, down 20.1 percent.

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BOSTON (AUG. 7) UPI - Very overweight people who go on stringent diets apparently do not experience long-term metabolic changes that work against efforts to lose weight, scientists said Tuesday.

A study involving 18 obese women who were put on diets found that while their resting metabolic rates initially fell by more than twice the weight they lost, after 48 weeks their weight loss was greater than their metabolism drop, said Thomas Wadden of the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.

Prior studies had indicated that when dieters cut back severely on calories, the corresponding slowing of their metabolisms hampered their ability to lose weight, even over a long period.

But the new study indicates that although falling metabolic rates might initially prevent the kind of weight loss dieters would otherwise expect from strict caloric cutbacks, the body readjusts itself over a long period and metabolism eventually is reset to a weight-appropriate level.

The findings show that dieting combined with modest physical activity does not result in metabolic rate reductions that exceed the degree expected with weight losses, Wadden and colleagues reported in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

The study shows that ''once you lose 30 to 50 pounds, your metabolic rate is lower, but it is a rate that is completely appropriate for your reduced body weight,'' Wadden said.

Metabolism refers to ''the amount of energy the body has to spend to maintain functions such as heart rate, blood pressure and temperature,'' he said. Resting metabolic rate refers to ''the amount of energy you expend if you are just lying in bed, doing nothing'' and accounts for about 70 percent of the calories most people expend in a day, he added.

In the study, nine women were limited to a 1,200-calorie daily diet for the entire 48 weeks, while the other nine women were restricted to a liquid diet of 420 calories for 16 weeks and then slowly returned to a solid food diet so that between weeks 24 and 48, they consumed between 1,200 and 1,500 calories daily.

The women in the 1,200-calorie group averaged 41 years old, while those in the other group had an average age of 34. The women weighed an average of 237 pounds when the study began.

During the first five weeks of dieting, those in the 1,200-calorie group experienced a drop of 10 percent in their resting metabolic rates and those in the group with the greater caloric restrictions had a 21 percent metabolic decrease. In both groups, the metabolic drops were about twice the percentage decreases in their weights, Wadden said.

But by the end of the study, those in the 1,200-calorie group had metabolic rates that were 9 percent lower than at the start and average weights 16 percent less than when they began. Those in the other group had an average 8 percent drop in metabolism and 19.5 percent drop in body weight.

The women on the constant 1,200-calorie diet lost an average of 40 pounds by week 48, while the others lost an average of 47 pounds.

While those on the more restrictive diet initially lost more than those on the 1,200-calorie diet, the fact that long-term weight loss in the two groups was not that much different means that ''it is hard to see much

advantage of one diet over the other,'' said Wadden.

The fact that women in both groups had lower metabolic rates after they lost weight was to be expected, he said, since ''like a small house versus a large house, it takes less energy to heat a smaller house.''

Wadden said only women were included in the study since he and the other researchers ''work mainly with women and women make up 75 percent of the dieters in the United States'' although the proportion of men and women who are overweight is roughly the same.

He cautioned that the study results dealt only with obese people and may not be applicable to those who are only a few pounds overweight. Wadden said he and his colleagues are now involved in one follow-up study involving obese men and another one looking at the impact of caloric restrictions on metabolic rates during exercise.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 7) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Tuesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	77.15	77.85	77.15	77.77	76.95
Oct	77.60	78.32	77.55	78.30	77.15
Dec	76.40	77.00	76.40	76.95	76.07
Feb	76.30	76.80	76.30	65.75	75.97
Apr	76.95	77.32	76.95	77.27	76.62
Jun	74.75	75.00	74.70	74.95	74.50
Aug	73.50	73.50	73.35	73.35	73.07

Est. sales 14,561 contracts; Monday 14,736; open interest 69,052 off 990.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	89.00	89.70	89.00	89.67	88.55
Sep	87.40	88.35	87.40	88.20	87.02
Oct	86.40	87.30	86.40	87.22	86.02
Nov	86.50	87.25	86.50	87.10	86.12
Jan	86.05	86.65	86.05	86.65	85.95
Mar	84.55	85.05	84.55	85.05	84.45
Apr	84.10	84.30	84.05	84.25	83.70
May	83.00	83.40	83.00	83.40	82.60

Est. sales 1,464 contracts; Monday 1,654; open interest 11,543 up 206.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	58.85	59.07	57.95	58.07	58.72
Oct	52.00	52.00	50.62	50.85	51.80

Dec 51.90 52.17 50.95 51.17 51.85
Feb 50.60 50.70 49.40 49.82 50.35
Apr 46.50 46.80 46.00 46.00 46.12
Jun 50.30 50.50 49.90 50.20 50.27
Jly 50.35 50.55 50.35 50.50 50.45
Aug 49.40 49.20 49.17 49.12

Est. sales 8,381 contracts; Monday 8,192; open interest 29,155 off 1,053.
Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Aug 51.70 52.55 50.60 51.07 50.55
Feb 57.45 58.15 56.30 57.05 57.45
Mar 57.10 57.90 56.35 56.90 57.30
May 57.40 58.00 56.70 57.00 57.30
Jly 56.40 56.60 56.40 56.40 56.40

Est. sales 5,127 contracts; Monday 2,913; open interest 6,109 off 615.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Tuesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut- out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 121.17 down 3 cents, 700-850 lbs. 121.61 down 5 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 115.09 up 58 cents, 700-850 lbs. 115.61 up 70 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow to moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were not fully established; skinned hams mostly 50-2.00 lower; seedless bellies steady in a thin test; butts 4-8 lbs. 98.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 90.00, 20-26 lbs. 87.00-91.50, 32 lbs. and up 82.00-83.00; bellyies 10-12 lbs. 58.00, 12-18 lbs. 60.00.

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#90219u1702 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:
Gold
London
Previous close fix 382.50 up 4.375
Morning fixing 383.95 up 1.45
Afternoon fixing 383.25 up 0.75
Close 383.50 up 1.00
Paris 386.54 up 3.58
Zurich 383.50 up 1.25
Hong Kong 384.75 up 5.80
New York

Comex spot close	384.50	off 0.20
Republic cash	384.50	off 0.25
Handy and Harman	383.25	up 1.00

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 384.55 up 1.00 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 403.78 up 1.05 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.857	off 0.035
Republic cash	4.89	off 0.025

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.85 per fine ounce off 0.01

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.855 off 0.025 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.195 off 0.025

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 485.00 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 585.00 off 0.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 116.00 up 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 131.00 up 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90219u1704 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NAPA, CA. (AUG. 7) UPI - Fierce wind gusts slammed four hot air balloons to the ground Tuesday, injuring six riders who were tossed out as one of the giant balloons bounced back into the air.

A passenger in another balloon suffered a sprained ankle.

The worst injured was a woman who was admitted to Queen of the Angels Hospital in serious condition, Napa Fire Capt. Don Cohn said.

The excursion balloons, which take people on rides over the wine country, went down shortly after lifting off from Yountville when they were hit by gusts of 15 to 20 mph during a sudden lightning and windstorm, Cohn said.

The first balloon forced down spilled a woman from its passenger basket as it hit and then bounced back up 200 or 300 feet, Cohn said.

The balloon's other five passengers were thrown out when it hit the ground a second time, he said. They suffered minor to moderate injuries.

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#90219u1735 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - The union representing a quarter of the city's taxi drivers will propose a 25-cent surcharge on all taxi fares to compensate for the jump in gas prices sparked by the Persian Gulf crisis, officials said Tuesday.

The union said it would ask the city's Taxi and Limousine Commission at its monthly meeting Wednesday night to consider the surcharge to help drivers who have been pinched by the hike in gas prices, which have risen as much as 14 cents a gallon in the city since Iraq invaded Kuwait last week.

"Our members have spoken to us about it, we've been getting phone calls constantly," said Larry Goldberg, secretary-treasurer of the union, the Taxi Drivers and Allied Workers, local 3036, which represents about 6,000 of the city's nearly 25,000 cab drivers.

"The gas prices are killing them," Goldberg said. "Business has been slow as is this summer. Between the bad economy and the fear of crime and now this, taxi drivers are just not going out to work."

He said there was a precedent for the proposal - a 15-cent surcharge on taxi fares implemented following the 1973 oil crisis sparked by the war between Israel and Egypt. The 25-cent surcharge could not go into effect until the middle of September at the earliest, said Anthony Carter, a spokesman for the TLC.

The TLC will probably agree Wednesday night to hear the proposal, Carter said, thereby beginning the procedure by which the organization considers fare hikes. After the meeting, the TLC would schedule an open hearing on the surcharge to solicit comments on the matter from the public.

At its next meeting in September, the members of the TLC might then vote on the surcharge, said Carter, who pointed out that if gas prices decline by that time, the matter would be a "dead issue."

Ronald Stoppelman, the president of the Metropolitan Taxi Cab Board of Trade, which represents 19 taxi fleet owners, said his organization supported a surcharge, though one not as steep as that proposed by the union.

"I think 25 cents per trip for the driver only as a gas surcharge is slightly excessive," Stoppelman said. "Although, I don't know how much gas is going to go up (in the future). Something less would certainly be warranted."

He said the fuel price hike does not directly affect the MTCBT's members, who own and lease 1,821 of the city's 11,787 cabs to drivers. But he pointed out that if drivers feel they cannot make money, they will not lease cabs.

"It affects the fleet owner in terms of the driver coming to work," Stoppelman said. "If they don't come to work, obviously we're at a loss."

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CHICAGO (AUG. 7) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.76 1/4-2.85 1/4 off 1.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.95 1/4 unch to up 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.51-2.59 off 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.59-2.69 off 1/4.

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HONOLULU (AUG. 7) UPI - A yacht with an all-woman crew competing in the Kenwood Cup Hawaiian inter-island race apparently struck a reef off the island of Molokai before dawn Tuesday and sank, killing one crewmember.

The Japanese entry An, taking part in the race from Oahu to Maui and back, reported it was taking on water at about 5 a.m. off Cape Halawa on the northeast tip of Molokai, Coast Guard Petty Officer Sid Williams said.

The 40-foot vessel sank sometime between then and 5:20 a.m. about 300 to 400 feet offshore with 14 women aboard, Williams said. One of the crew members was from Hawaii and the rest were from Japan, race officials said.

Identity of the victim was not immedately established. Maui fire department divers recovered her body next to the sunken yacht in 30 feet of water, Coast Guard spokesman Dennis Hubbard said.

Other yachts in the race diverted to the scene, and the Will Jr. picked up 13 crew members, race officials said.

''There was extensive damage to the front end of the vessel, so it appears it may have run into the reef, which was 200 feet away,'' rescue Capt.

Conrad Ventura said.

The other 13 rescued crew members were reported safe and sound. They were being taken to Honolulu by another vessel, officials said.

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(AUG. 7) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in active trading.

Bonds - Mostly lower.

American Stocks - Lower in active trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed sharply lower in light trading.

Dollar - Slightly lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Slightly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1/4 to up 3, soybeans up 1 to down 2 1/2, wheat off 1 to up 1/2 and oats up 1/2 to 3/4.

Cattle Trade - Steady; top $76.00.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - Investor fear over an oil shock pushed yields on three-year Treasury notes down to 8.10 percent in disappointing bidding Tuesday at the start of the government's three-day quarterly refunding.

"It doesn't look good," said Roger Craig, director of the fixed income portfolio at Banc One Asset Management Corp., in Columbus, Ohio. "Whenever a short issue like this has trouble in the market, it doesn't bode well for the longer issues."

The Treasury Department auctioned $11.53 billion of the eight percent interest rate notes at an average of $99.738 with 100 equaling the face value and one point representing $10 on each $1,000 investment.

At the last quarterly refunding, May 8, the average yield on three-year Treasury notes was 8.74 percent. Tuesday's 8.10 yield was the lowest yield on a three-year offering since 7.77 percent Nov. 9, 1989. In times of doubt, many investors prefer short-term securities, such as the three-year notes.

But against a backdrop of a new Mideast crisis and a weakening domestic economy, bids outnumbered acceptances by about 2.4 to one, which is considered a rather poor showing.

"This reflects more than anything else the uncertainty about the oil situation and the potential impact, if any, on inflation," said Samuel Kahan, chief economist at Fuji Securities in Chicago.

The quarterly refunding will continue Wednesday with an auction of ten-year notes totaling $10.5 billion. Cash raised through the auctions allows the government to settle its debts, including other securities reaching maturity.

On Thursday, the Treasury Department will auction 30-year bonds totaling $10.25 billion as well as 36-day cash management bills Thursday totaling $10 billion. All the issues offered through the refunding will settle Aug. 15.

There was doubt last week as to whether the refunding would go on as planned because Congress had yet to increase the debt limit. But lawakers passed a short-term bill granting $72 billion in additional borrowing authority through Oct. 2 to keep the government running.

Robert Glauber, the under secretary of the Treasury for finance, had said the quarterly refunding would be delayed if the House and Senate failed to pass the legislation increasing the debt limit.

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MONROVIA, LIBERIA (AUG. 7) UPI - Seven African countries agreed Tuesday to send a peace-keeping force to Liberia after a rebel leader threatened to attack the U.S. Embassy in Monrovia in order to provoke international intervention in his country's civil war.

Liberian rebel leader Prince Johnson, who is holding an American and at least seven other foreigners hostage, said he would attack Marines protecting the U.S. embassy unless a U.S. or West African peace-keeping force was sent to end the fighting. Johnson also said he would hold the foreigners until the peace-keeping forces arrived.

The hostages were all abducted from a Monrovian hotel Monday, the day

after U.S. Marines evacuated 62 U.S. government employees, relatives and civilians from the war-torn country.

The hostages held by Johnson included three Britons, two West Germans, a Dutchman, an Argentinian and a U.S. mining contractor identified as Chris Mendes, 27, of Sacramento, Calif.

Diplomatic sources said representatives of the seven African countries, meeting in Banjul, Gambia, want to hold talks on Liberia that would include all political parties and ethnic groups in order to find a solution to the conflict.

Rebel leader Charles Taylor has been fighting for the past six months to overthrow Liberian President Samuel Doe, who took power in a coup a decade ago. When the rebels reached the capital of Monrovia last month, a splinter group led by Johnson broke from Taylor. Doe has remained in his presidential palace.

The United States staged Sunday's evacuation of U.S. embassy personnel when Johnson threatened to kill foreigners in a bid to force international intervention in the dispute.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said in Washington the Marines would not intervene in the war.

''The U.S. Marines are in Liberia to defend the embassy, with force if necessary,'' she said. ''They are not there to intervene in the fighting.''

She said the rebel forces had not harmed the hostages, who are being kept in a location outside of the capital. U.S. officials have urged Johnson to release the group immediately.

African diplomats said they did not know how many soldiers would be included in the peace-keeping force or when it would be sent to Liberia.

Gambian President Dawouda Jawara, the host of the talks, said it was no longer possible to allow the situation in Liberia to deteriorate given the high loss in human lives during the past several weeks.

The heads of state from the seven countries - Ghana, Gambia, Mali, Nigeria Togo, Sierra Leone, and Guinea - said it would like to organize a provisional Liberian government that would not be dominated by any one of the four main tribes in Liberia, which was founded in 1922 by former American slaves.

If it becomes reality, the peace-keeping force will mark the third time that an all-African army has intervened in a local conflict. Similar peace-keeping operations have been previously conducted in Chad and Zaire.

Johnson, speaking Monday to a crowd of 3,000 in rebel-held Bushrod Island, said, ''What this country really needs is the peaceful intervention of the United States or ECOWAS (Economic Community of West African States).''

''If they don't intervene, I will attack the American Marines,'' said Johnson.

The State Department said about 41 embassy personnel, including the U.S. ambassador, would remain in Monrovia with about 300 other Americans.

Also Tuesday, the Marines abandoned a series of roadblocks in front of the embassy and moved within the compound.

''There is no need to expose people,'' an embassy spokesman said. ''Initially we didn't know what people's reaction was going to be.''

Soon after the Marines withdrew from the street, heavy fighting broke out in the embassy district within a few hundred yards of the Marine positions. The fighting continued throughout Monday afternoon, although control of the area remained in doubt.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1125.0
Monday	1139.1
Week ago	1127.4
Month ago	1151.0
Year ago	1111.3
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - The Bank of New York said Tuesday it was dropping out of the ranks of primary dealers of U.S. government securities in the latest exit from a business whose once-hefty profits have become badly squeezed. BNY Securities Inc. would continue its trading activities for the proprietary account of the Bank of New York only, a spokesman said.

Bank spokesman Pierre Brull said what convinced the institution to get out of the wholesale trade in Treasury bonds was "simply the fact that the business, as you know, is no longer profitable enough to stay in it."

Brull declined to provide any figures on profits or losses from the business. But, "From a profit standpoint it became very marginal," he said adding that it was "not very profitable, but profitable" in 1989.

Asked whether recent sharp losses motivated the decision, he responded, "The Bank of New York is not in the habit of staying in a business and incurring huge losses before we decide to get out of it - it's not our style."

Said one New York bank analyst, who declined to be named, "It's not a big deal, I don't think. I'm sure it's just a judgment on what businesses are more profitable than others."

The Bank of New York's decision brought the number of U.S. securities primary dealers to 41, compared with 46 in 1989. The attrition is blamed on paper-thin profit margins in a crowded business short of customers.

More than half the country's primary dealers lost money in 1989, a senior New York Federal Reserve Bank official was reported to have said in a speech to dealers this year. Many others showed the barest of profits.

Last month Midland Montague Securities Inc., a unit of Britain's Midland Bank PLC closed its primary dealership, and shortly before that Westpac Banking Corp. closed its Westpac Pollock Government Securities Inc. In 1989 National Westminster Bank PLC and Lloyds Bank PLC both got out of the business, as did L.F. Rothschild & Co., a U.S. firm.

The ranks were also thinned by the bankruptcy filing late last year of Drexel Burnham Lambert Group Inc., which had a bond unit, and by Prudential-Bache Securities Inc.'s purchase of Thomson McKinnon Securities Inc.

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 7) UPI - Emerson Electric Co. Tuesday reported third-quarter earnings of a record $160.5 million, or 72 cents a share, up 4.4 percent from the $153.8 million, or 69 cents a share, earned in the same period a year ago.

Sales for the quarter ended June 30 were $1.98 billion, also a record. The company had sales of $1.78 billion in the fiscal 1989 quarter.

Earnings for the fiscal 1990 nine months were $458.6 million, or $2.06 a share, up 4.6 percent from $438.4 million, or $1.96 a share, in the first three quarters of fiscal 1989.

Nine-month sales climbed to $5.5 billion from $5.3 billion.

Earnings, earnings per share and sales reported for the nine months were allcompany records.

The 72 cents a share earned in the latest quarter represented the highest achieved in any quarter in the company's history, said Charles Knight, chairman and chief executive officer.

Emerson, which also announced plans Tuesday to spin off five defense businesses as a separate company, manufactures a broad range of electronic electrical and other products for commercial, consumer, industrial and government and defense markets.

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#90219u1815 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	58 5-8	up	1-2
AT&T	35 3-8	up 1	
BCE	32 1-2	unch	
Bell Atl	45 3-4	off	3-8
BellSouth	53 5-8	up	5-8
Exxon	x53 3-8	off	1-4
Ford Motor	38	off	3-8
Gen Elect	67	up 1	
Gen Motors	40 1-8	off 1	3-8
GTE	27 1-4	off	1-4
IBM	102 7-8	off 1	
Mobil	67 5-8	off	3-8
Nynex	74	up	5-8
PacGasE	21 7-8	unch	
PcTeles	39 5-8	off	1-2
Phila El	15 3-4	up	1-2
Sears	29 7-8	off 1	1-8
South Co	24 7-8	up	5-8
Swst Bell	51	off 1	1-4
US West	35	off	5-8

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.80

60 to 89 days 7.71

90 to 119 days 7.56

120 to 149 days 7.57

150 to 179 days 7.55

180 to 270 days 7.48

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.85 - 7.60

Issuers 30 days 7.77

Issuers 90 days 7.58

Issuers 270 days 7.32

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.93

60 to 89 days 7.90

90 to 119 days 7.89

120 to 149 days 7.88

150 to 179 days 7.88

180 days 7.88

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8 - 8.125

1 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

3 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

6 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

Year 8 - 8 1-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.38 - 7.36

6 months 7.33 - 7.31

Year 7.24 - 7.22

Federal Funds: High 8, Low 8, Close 8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.762 up 0.025.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 19,440,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,132,366,355
Bonds - $2,410,000
1990 to date - $439,474,000

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#90219u1862 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Tuesday - $66,090,000
1990 to date - $6,968,644,000

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#90219u1866 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Tuesday it will offer $18.4 billion in 13- and 26-week T-bills at the government's weekly auction next Monday and raise about $2.25 billion in new cash.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.25	off 0.05
10 Public Utils	92.31	up 0.06
10 Industrials	90.19	off 0.17

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#90219u1881 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Only 0.6 percent of the nation's certified public accountants are black, up from 0.15 percent 20 years ago, according to a study published Tuesday in the Journal of Accountancy.

The study, commissioned by the New York State Society of CPAs, showed that black CPAs currently number less than 2,500 out of the nation's 400,000 CPAs.

A similar study conducted in 1969 identified 150 CPAs who were black in the country.

''Admittedly, progress has been made,'' said Bert N. Mitchell, a managing partner with Mitchell/Titus & Co., the accounting firm that conducted the study. ''Yet the profession is still a long way from true integration.''

Mitchell/Titus is the largest minority-owned accounting firm in the country and one of the 50 largest overall.

While blacks represent less than 1 percent of the accounting profession, blacks by comparison make up 3.3 percent of the medical profession and 2 percent of the legal profession.

The study said that the number of black-owned accounting firms has grown from under 30 to almost 200 in 20 years but that ''these firms are not participating in the expanded opportunities enjoyed by public accounting firms in general and report litle growth in size over the past few years.''

Although 55 percent of the black CPAs in the study reported beginning their careers with the industry's largest firms, only 10 percent are currently employed by the so-called Big Six, the study said.

To strengthen the number of black CPAs, the study recommends a number of measures, including more strident recruitment, internships for black accounting students and ''providing key management positions for blacks.''

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#90219u1885 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	183.45	up	0.13
ASE Market Value Index	339.84	off	0.43
Dow-Jones Industrial	2710.64	off	5.70

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#90219u1889 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2710.64	off	5.70
20 Trans	964.78	off	15.51
15 Utils	204.41	off	0.51
65 Stocks	946.07	off	5.63

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#90219u1895 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Tuesday	2710.64	off	5.70	964.78	off	15.51	204.41	off	0.51
Monday	2716.34	off	93.31	980.29	off	58.76	204.92	off	4.78
Tuesday	2905.20	off	12.13	1093.43	off	31.57	210.01	up	2.96
Month ago	2890.84	off	23.27	1145.62	off	3.47	203.60	off	1.51
Year ago	2699.17	up	4.18	1355.80	up	11.74	221.64	up	0.12
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2543.24			964.78			200.20		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90219u1898 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 341.64, low 338.86, close 339.84, off 0.43.

There was a loss of 2 cents in the average share price.

Volume 19,410,000 shares, compared with 23,270,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	6
New Lows	87
Advances	266
Declines	344
Unchanged	249
Total Issues	859

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#90219u1902 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks -	231,580,000 shares
1990 to date -	24,230,233,432
Warrants -	1,367,000
1990 to date -	145,356,600

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#90219u1908 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 38 points higher to 35 points lower.

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	76.80	77.10	76.55	76.99	76.61
Dec	72.50	72.73	72.05	72.11	72.43
Mar	73.50	73.62	73.26	73.13	73.30
May	74.01	74.05	73.90	73.65	74.00
Jly	73.70	74.00	73.70	73.50	73.60
Oct	69.50	....	....	69.68	69.75
Dec	67.90	67.90	67.60	67.75	67.75

Estimated sales: 4,500 contracts
Open interest: 33,807 off 195
The World spot average: 80.10

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#90219u1934 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 7) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Tuesday -	12,329,000
1990 to date -	1,538,969,000

The market closed lower.

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#90219u1939 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI) - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
IntelCp	(INTC)	105,646,984	37 7/8	up 5/8
Micrsoft	(MSFT)	71,749,848	61 1/4	up 3/4
AppleC	(AAPL)	69,749,480	39 1/2	unch
MCI Com	(MCIC)	66,786,016	34 5/8	up 5/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	65,039,052	80 1/4	off 1 1/4
NikeIncB	(NIKE)	52,499,336	74 7/8	up 2 1/8
ConnerP	(CNNR)	41,586,816	22 7/8	up 1
ReuterH	(RTRS)	40,334,376	54 1/8	up 1 3/8
SunMicro	(SUNW)	40,069,852	28 5/8	up 1
LizClaib	(LIZC)	34,892,408	26	up 1 1/8

Composite Index 176.00 up 0.89

NMS volume 127,083,704 shares.

Advances	873
Declines	779
Unchanged	1,175
Total	2,827

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#90219u1949 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2744.06	2763.86	2676.24	2710.64	off 5.70
20 Trans	989.60	999.45	954.56	964.78	off 15.51
15 Utils	205.23	206.99	202.28	204.41	off 0.51
65 Stock	959.85	967.72	934.95	946.07	off 5.63

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Tuesday	Monday
Indus	42,831,000	35,238,800
Trans	4,984,800	5,660,800
Utils	4,437,400	3,158,300
65 Stock	52,253,200	44,057,900

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.25	off 0.05
10 Public Utils	92.31	up 0.06
10 Industrials	90.19	off 0.17

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100)

closed at 132.54 up 0.08.

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#90219u1956 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	394.74	245.98	134.82	25.15	334.43
Opening	397.55	248.21	135.63	25.50	336.95
11 a.m.	397.07	247.70	134.98	25.46	336.38
Noon	394.78	245.66	134.69	25.37	334.63
1 p.m.	393.97	244.36	134.56	25.34	333.99
2 p.m.	394.17	244.41	134.35	25.35	334.07
3 p.m.	394.00	245.34	134.26	25.34	333.95
Close	395.10	245.61	134.47	25.43	334.83
Change	up 0.36	up 0.37	off 0.35	up 0.28	up 0.40

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#90219u1957 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	259.50	261.70	256.50	259.90	255.65
Dec	263.20	263.50	260.00	263.10	259.05
Mar	....	....	....	266.80	262.85

Previous day volume: 86 contracts.

Open interest: 1,378 up 22

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	340.00	341.00	333.50	337.20	334.40
Dec	345.00	345.00	337.50	341.10	338.20
Mar	....	347.00	340.50	344.30	341.50
Jun	348.10	351.00	344.90	348.40	345.60

Today's estimated volume: 51,620 contracts.

Open interest: 124,952 up 6,585

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	185.90	186.50	182.30	184.30	182.90
Dec	188.00	188.60	185.10	186.40	185.00
Mar	....	....	....	188.50	187.10

Open interest: 5,748 off 76
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	556.00	560.25	548.50	553.20	550.85
Sep	560.00	563.00	551.50	555.40	553.30

Estimated volume 3,781 contracts.
Open interest: 7,096 up 212

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#90219u1980 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Tue	Mon	Tue	Mon
Argntn austrl	.000181	.000183	5515.00	5475.00
Australia dlr	.7915	.7878	1.2634	1.2694
Austria schill	.0899	.0905	11.12	11.05
Belgium frnc-c	.0309	.0309	32.34	32.35
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0141	.0141	70.82	70.82
Britain pound	1.8733	1.8715	.5338	.5343
Britain 1-mo	1.8620	1.8598	.5371	.5377
Britain 3-mo	1.8415	1.8395	.5430	.5436
Britain 6-mo	1.8118	1.8096	.5519	.5526
Canada dollar	.8693	.8697	1.1503	1.1498
Canada 1-mo	.8651	.8657	1.1559	1.1552
Canada 3-mo	.8583	.8551	1.1651	1.1695
Canada 6-mo	.8499	.8501	1.1766	1.1763
Chile peso-f	.003455	.003462	289.42	288.81
China yuan	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127
Colombia pes	.001978	.001980	505.65	505.09
Denmark krne	.1663	.1668	6.0150	5.9950
Ecudr sucr-z	.001116	.001111	895.95	899.91
Egypt pound	.3755	.3742	2.6628	2.6727
Finlnd mrkka	.2686	.2695	3.7225	3.7100
France franc	.1884	.1891	5.3075	5.2890
France 1-mo	.1881	.1888	5.3162	5.2974
France 3-mo	.1874	.1881	5.3356	5.3165
France 6-mo	.1864	.1871	5.3660	5.3460
Greece drach	.006478	.006480	154.37	154.31
Hollnd guildr	.5607	.5626	1.7835	1.7776
HongKong dlr	.1286	.1287	7.7735	7.7720
India rupee	.0580	.0580	17.23	17.25

Indo'sa rupia	.000543	.000543	1841.00	1842.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.6950	1.7055	0.5900	0.5863
Israel shekel	.5051	.5025	1.9800	1.9900
Italy lira	.000863	.000866	1159.25	1154.50
Japan yen	.006651	.006658	150.35	150.20
Japan 1-mo	.006652	.006658	150.34	150.19
Japan 3-mo	.006652	.006658	150.34	150.19
Japan 6-mo	.006652	.006658	150.34	150.20
Jordan dinar	1.5352	1.5328	0.6514	0.6524
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico pes-z	.000349	.000349	2866.00	2864.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6017	.5980	1.6620	1.6722
Norway krne	.1635	.1640	6.1170	6.0960
Pakistn rupee	.0466	.0466	21.48	21.48
Peru inti	.000004	.000007	246,250	147,750
P'pnes peso-z	.0441	.0441	22.66	22.66
Portugl escd	.007207	.007219	138.76	138.53
Saudi riyal	.2668	.2668	3.7480	3.7480
Singapore dlr	.5545	.5549	1.8035	1.8022
S.Africa rand	.3881	.3889	2.5765	2.5715
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010293	.010325	97.15	96.85
Sweden krona	.1724	.1726	5.8010	5.7950
Switzrl franc	.7499	.7508	1.3335	1.3320
Switzrl 1-mo	.7493	.7500	1.3346	1.3334
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7476	.7483	1.3376	1.3364
Switzrl 6-mo	.7457	.7460	1.3410	1.3405
Taiwan dollar	.0371	.0372	26.93	26.88
Turkey lira	.000380	.000379	2635.00	2642.00
UAE dirham	.2725	.2725	3.6699	3.6699
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0207	.0206	48.41	48.56
W.Ger Mark	.6312	.6337	1.5843	1.5780
W.Ger 1-mo	.6310	.6335	1.5847	1.5785
W.Ger 3-mo	.6303	.6328	1.5865	1.5803
W.Ger 6-mo	.6289	.6313	1.5901	1.5841
Yugoes dinar	.0926	.0925	10.80	10.81

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

#90219u1986 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Texaco Inc	16,404,900	64 5/8	off 3/8
Alcan Aluminum	4,004,100	22 1/2	unch
Wal Mart Stores	3,488,500	28 5/8	unch
Genl Electric	2,996,100	67 1/4	up 1 1/4
Philip Morris	2,857,000	45 1/4	up 1 1/4
Boeing Co	2,671,100	52	up 1 1/2
Genl Motors	2,591,600	40 1/8	off 1 3/8
Exxon Corp	2,263,400	53 3/8	off 1/4
IBM Corp	2,235,200	103	off 7/8
AT&T Co	2,216,400	35 3/8	up 1
McDonalds Corp	2,164,600	29 3/4	up 5/8
Waste Managemnt	2,071,000	37 5/8	up 1 1/4
Utd Telecom	1,997,800	24	up 1/4
Citicorp	1,857,000	18 3/4	up 1/4
Bristol Myers	1,810,200	60 1/8	up 1 5/8

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#90219u2000 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - Lawmakers vowed Tuesday to seek anti-price gouging legislation against oil companies, saying the government is powerless to stop "virtual thievery" by the industry in raising gasoline prices due to the Persian Gulf crisis.

At Senate and House hearings, some legislators and economists also urged the Bush administration to sell oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve as a way to reduce market concerns about future supply shortages and, thus slow rising crude oil prices.

Administration officials said that action was not warranted at present and that the reserve should be used only to cope with shortages, not to counter price swings.

However, an Energy Department official said the U.S.-led embargo against Iraqi oil could trigger a "severe energy supply interruption" requiring use of the 590-million-barrel reserve.

Oil industry officials also suggested the government might want to tap the reserve to calm oil markets and make up any shortfalls. But they spent most of their time rejecting intense criticism from lawmakers, some of whom accused the industry of being unpatriotic in imposing potentially ruinous gasoline price hikes on the U.S. economy.

The oil executives denied they were taking advantage of American consumers and said the price increases were the natural result of crude oil price hikes of $8 a barrel since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Legislators said the price increases at the pump were so enormous as to be indefensible, averaging 12.6 cents per gallon nationwide since last Wednesday - adding $33 million a day to Americans' fuel bill. "The American public is angry," Sen. Richard Bryan, D-Nev., told oil company executives at a Senate Commerce Committee hearing. "They are mad as hell."

Bryan said most Americans were prepared to accept some sacrifices to stop Iraq, but he added: "That in no way justifies the virtual thievery that we have seen over the last few days. The giant corporations are plundering the American consumer."

Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., went further, saying of the industry's behavior: "It raises questions even about patriotism and the best interests of the country."

Legislators said the price hikes were especially galling because they followed two similar episodes last year - volcanic gasoline price rises in the wake of the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska last March and the huge heating oil price increases during last December's cold snap.

Despite growing public outrage, however, administration officials and lawmakers agreed the president had no authority to roll back such price hikes, no matter how suspicious they seemed.

They said Bush's only options were "jawboning" the industry to reduce prices or launching an antitrust investigation into possible collusion by oil companies to boost prices - a tough crime to prove.

The Justice Department expressed concern about the price hikes Monday and said it would closely examine oil industry behavior for possible anti-competitive activity. However, Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., said Attorney General Dick Thornburgh had "already articulated a kind of powerlessness."

Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., said the government's impotence was intolerable in view of the oil industry's repeated "profiteering." "After putting up with oil industry ripoffs in the 1970s and as recently as last winter, it's time to say, 'enough is enough,' and it's time to give the government the power it needs to protect American consumers at a time of national crisis.

"We've had enough of oil industry mumbo-jumbo every time they pick our pockets," he added. "When they take us to the cleaners, we should take them to court." Lieberman did not detail his proposal but said it could be modeled on existing state laws in Connecticut and New York.

Under intense criticism from lawmakers, Charles DiBona, president of the American Petroleum Institute, said oil companies were being unfairly maligned and that similar allegations in the past had been refuted.

He pointed to a recent Energy Department report that cleared the industry of improper behavior in the heating oil price increases of last December. The report said the price hikes resulted from normal market forces.

DiBona said while heating oil prices went up in December when demand rose, they fell in January when weather got warm and consumption dropped, illustrating the free market forces at work.

However, lawmakers said Energy Department data showed gasoline prices invariably and immediately soared when crude oil prices went up, but that pump prices did not decrease as sharply when crude oil prices fell.

"I don't see the same reaction driving (gasoline) prices down immediately " Bryan told DiBona. "Apparently the laws of economics only work one way - against the consumer. It's heads you all win and tails the consumers lose."

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#90219u2001 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	402.08	up	2.04	439.38	463.30
Industrial	429.01	up	2.42	473.87	452.02
Finance	397.41	off	0.45	423.11	544.60
Insurance	467.47	up	4.69	496.25	536.40
Utility	553.10	up	2.76	605.30	721.05
Bank	298.57	off	0.45	322.61	478.88
Transport	444.59	up	8.86	478.30	462.57

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 410.72

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 176.00 up 0.89

Industrial Index 169.38 up 0.94

NASDAQ-100 Index 405.31 up 2.40

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#90219u2002 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Tuesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6725	up 100
UAL Corp	101	off 9 3/4
Lilly Eli wt	76 3/4	off 5 1/4
Hitachi Ltd	86	up 3 7/8
Captl Cities	500 7/8	up 3 7/8
Atl Rch pfC	323	off 3 1/2
Benf pfC	210	off 3 1/2
Great Nthn Iron	53	off 3 1/4
CBS Corp	169 1/4	off 3
Tosco pf	46 1/2	up 2 3/4
Lilly Eli & Co	75 3/4	off 2 3/4

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#90219u2025 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Kansas City Power & Light (2nd Q 6-30)	
$189,826,000	$176,797,000
$21,895,000 (.66)	$21,617,000 (.65)
RB&W Corp (2nd Q 6-30)	
$47,001,000	$51,171,000
$1,136,000 (.22)	a-$1,686,000 (.33)

a-Includes extraordinary credit of $649,000.
Corrected from an earlier report.

Sun Electric Corp (2nd Q 6-30)	
$71,212,000	$45,744,000
$4,786,000 (.55)	d-$335,000

d-Deficit.

Trico Products (2nd Q 6-30)	
$63,617,000	$61,350,000
a-$1,614,000 (.87)	d-$4,009,000

a-Includes gains of $442,000 for the latest quarter and $875,000 for the latest six months from utilization of loss carryforward.
d-Deficit.

Urcarco Inc (4th Q 6-30)	
$51,034,000	$20,299,000
$5,739,000 (.21)	$2,053,000 (.12)

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#90219u2028 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 7) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.94	8.04	8.95
91-day Treasury bills	7.56	7.54	7.95
182-day Treasury bills	7.64	7.59	7.67
1-year Treasury bills	7.68	7.61	7.62
3-year Treasury notes	8.17	8.07	7.98
7-year Treasury notes	8.60	8.54	7.96
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.84	8.79	8.08
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.35	9.25	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.92	9.82	9.12
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.14	9.09	9.07
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.30	9.39	9.03
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.50	9.46	9.29
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.48	9.44	9.27

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90219u2042 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 7) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	5	33	48
New lows	185	370	77

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	732	97,468,500
Declines	848	107,299,600
Unchanged	444	26,811,900
Total	2,024	231,580,000

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#90219u2046 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 7) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	6
New lows	88

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	266	4,208,600
Declines	344	7,967,700
Unchanged	249	7,233,700
Total	859	19,410,000

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#90219u2051 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	184.67	182.95	183.45	up 0.13
Industrial	230.34	228.22	228.87	unchanged
Transport	153.18	150.51	150.51	off 0.82
Utility	87.44	86.83	86.99	up 0.14
Finance	130.89	130.11	130.29	up 0.65

Equivalent to a gain of 3 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 231,580,000 shares.

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#90219u2055 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

ANALYSIS BY LEE STOKES

CAIRO, EGYPT (AUG. 7) UPI - Profits from soaring oil prices may bring gulf crude producers more cash but little in the way of security from regional bully Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, analysts said.

''Oil producers may increase their revenues in the short-term, but this income will be swallowed up by Western arms purchases,'' said Ian Jones, a Cairo-based writer on Middle East affairs.

''Nobody's thinking about making a quick buck but about how to survive the military threat from Iraq,'' he said.

''Most of these states are already armed to the teeth ... so money alone, even lots of it, cannot buy them peace of mind.''

Other Middle East experts said to talk of fat profits for Persian Gulf crude producers at this stage showed a basic misunderstanding of the region's acute sensitivity to outside threats.

''To talk about the benefits of increasing oil prices is premature, and exposes the fragility of the region as a whole,'' David Butter, editor of the London-based Middle East Economic Digest told United Press International in a telephone interview.

''People in the Gulf wish this thing wasn't happening,'' he said. ''All of them, including Kuwait, invested huge amounts in security ... but it hasn't done them much good.''

He said oil producers might expect their revenue to increase as crude prices hit a five-year high at $28 a barrel, but they also knew that soaring energy costs could trigger a world recession, inflation and a fall in demand.

Western bankers in the gulf state of Bahrain said the whole region was marked by weak social, political and economic structures that did not inspire investor confidence at the best of times.

''The problem with the gulf banking institutions, for example, is that they are basically rather weak ... and this manifested itself when oil prices dropped in the mid-1980's,'' said one Japanese banker who asked that his name not be used.

''When you add military insecurity and fears about the free flow of oil through the gulf to problems associated with a basically weak infrastructure, then you are talking about countries with an uncertain future,'' the banker added.

Unlike gulf Arab states with relatively small populations, Persian Iran has demanded higher oil prices to finance the war-shattered and cash-strapped nation of 51 million's postwar economic recovery.

But Iranian Foreign Minister Ali-Akbar Velayati, during a visit to Damascus Monday, indicated that any extra revenues would have to be spent on the country's armed forces rather than on the economy.

''We need to ensure our armed forces are well-equipped ... we cannot sit idly by while Iraq occupies Kuwait,'' Velayati said.

On a purely economic level, one oil industry source in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, said Western pressure on Gulf producers to pump more and replace boycotted Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude could lead to further fluctuations on the market and doubtful benefits to producers.

Iran, Venezuela and the United Arab Emirates have already said they will not pump more than their OPEC-decreed quotas, apparently for fear that boycotted Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude might find its way on the black market

and depress prices.

''OPEC members could pump more crude on the quiet ... the gap is not so enormous, especially if the crisis (over Kuwait) can be resolved quickly '' the industry source said.

''There is a danger to producers of wildly fluctuating prices ... but the industrialized countries have large oil stocks ... if they keep their nerve they can last for a long time,'' the source added.

Gulf-based Western diplomats said the economic future of regional states was secondary to security considerations.

''During the gulf war, external rather than internal security was the major headache ... but these countries found it hard to admit they relied on outside powers for their protection,'' one Bahrain-based envoy said.

''When Iraq protected the Gulf Arabs from Iran, it exacted an economic price. ... When the West offers support against Iraq, it will also demand an economic price,'' the envoy added.

''But after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, there is no talk here about the benefits from higher oil prices ... the danger is very real here now and the focus is on physical survival.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	406.72	400.11	402.08	up	2.04
Industrial	434.87	427.53	429.01	up	2.42
Finance	400.70	397.27	397.41	off	0.45
Insurance	467.85	462.97	467.47	up	4.69
Utility	561.81	551.73	553.10	up	2.76
Bank	300.69	297.32	298.57	off	0.45
Transport	445.91	436.11	444.59	up	8.66

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 468.86

1990 Low (1-30) 410.72

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index 176.00 up 0.89

Industrial Index 169.38 up 0.94

NASDAQ-100 Index 405.31 up 2.40

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share 9.05 up 0.14

Volume	165,473,800 shares
Advances	873
Declines	779
Unchanged	1,175
Total	2,827

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(AUG. 8) UPI - DIGEST:

Baseball

Hank Steinbrenner must wait before New York Yankees partners can vote on his nomination to succeed his father as general partner. A meeting scheduled for Cleveland Wednesday was postponed because of a family emergency involving a partner. It's unlikely the Yankees will have a new general partner by Aug. 20, when Commissioner Fay Vincent ordered George Steinbrenner to step down. ... The United States, backed by two homers from Chris Gomez of Loyola Marymount, routed Venezuela 13-4 at the World Baseball Championships in Edmonton, Alberta. The U.S. is 3-0 in the six-team division. The top four in each of the two divisions advance to Saturday's second round.

College

Following the lead of other conferences, the Pacific-10 is considering expansion. The league has made no formal moves but speculation centers on Brigham Young, Fresno State and San Diego State. ... Former Kentucky point guard Sean Sutton will be joining his father on the court again - at Oklahoma State. Sean Sutton did not play last year after leaving Kentucky. The Wildcats had been placed on probation and Coach Eddie Sutton was forced to resign. ... The basketball team of Upsala College of Division III was hit with NCAA sanctions for paying players, including cash handouts by the coach, and providing players with no-show jobs. Division III schools do not grant athletic scholarships.

Boxing

Promoter Butch Lewis may become an adviser to heavyweight champ James ''Buster'' Douglas against the wishes of manager John Johnson. Lewis has guided former heavyweight champ Michael Spinks and won legal battles against promoter Don King, HBO and the Las Vegas Hilton. ''(Douglas) needs a trench fighter,'' Lewis says.

Honors

The Ohio Baseball Hall of Fame inducted four members: pitchers Dave

Dravecky and Willis Hudlin; infielder and ex-manager Gene Michael, and outfielder Al Oliver.

Horse Racing

The Arlington Challenge Cup, jinxed by injuries that forced the retirement of Easy Goer and Sunday Silence, featured another casualty. Santangelo, who finished seventh in the eight-horse race, injured a tendon and will be retired to stud.

Law

Pete Rose, baseball's all-time hit leader, is expected to report to prison in Marion, Ill., by the end of the week to begin serving his five-month sentence for tax fraud.

Politics

Two Bulgarian women basketball players did not return home with their Goodwill Games team and remained in Seattle. That makes five Goodwill Games visitors who have spoken to U.S. immigration officials about asylum.

Soccer

A West German politician has proposed that stars who play abroad be banned from the national team. Some half dozen players from the World Cup champs play outside West Germany. The proposal was assailed by the team's coach and players. ... West Germany will play a squad of international stars in the second half of 1991, with proceeds going to UNICEF. ... Romania is planning a soccer players' union.

Yachting

A yacht in the Kenwood Cup race apparently struck a reef off the Hawaiian island of Molokai before dawn Tuesday and sank, killing one member of the all-female crew.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Stock prices closed lower Tuesday in the fourth straight day of heavy trading as selling tied to growing nervousness about the tensions in the Middle East erased early gains.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which plummeted 93.31 Monday in its biggest one-day drop since the October 1989 mini-crash, closed down 5.70 to 2710.64 after jumping more than 30 points in the opening minutes of trading.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index edged up 0.13 to 183.45 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 0.40 to 334.83. The price of an average share rose three cents.

Declines led advances 840-739 among the 2,025 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 231,580,000 shares, down from the 240,400,000 traded Monday but the fourth straight 200-million-share day.

After a three-day plunge following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Thursday, stocks opened broadly higher after news that Iraq, facing U.N.-endorsed international trade sanctions and an oil embargo, said it was considering freeing about 400 foreigners seized in Kuwait.

Also heartening to traders, analysts said, was Iraq's denial of a Washington Post report that President Saddam Hussein threatened to attack Saudi Arabia if the Saudis shut down a pipeline that transports Iraqi oil to the Red Sea.

Within the first 15 minutes, the Dow industrials had jumped more than 30 points. But investors, nervous about what may happen in the region, then took prices down.

Later in the day, Saddam said his country would fight for "Arab honor," responding with defiance to crippling economic sanctions and an awesome gathering of international military might.

And the White House refused to comment on a CBS News report that members of the 82nd Airborne Division would be deployed to Saudi Arabia, which was sending troops to its border with occupied Kuwait to counter a feared attack by Iraqi troops.

ABC News, meanwhile, reported that Egyptian troops would move into Saudi Arabia to support that country. Analysts said all the reports of military activity made for a very jittery market.

"There's a lot of nervousness here," said James Andrews, first vice president in charge of institutional trading at Janney Montgomery Scott Inc. in Philadelphia.

"But the Dow basically hung in there at 2700 and it seems like we may be finding a bottom shortly," he said. "People are starting to see light at the end of the tunnel."

Andrews said the market seems to be running out of selling on the Mideast news. "We're down about ten percent from the highs and I've got to believe we're just about overdone here. The nervous nellies have already sold," he said.

Oil issues retreated after their rally of the past three sessions as the sharp rise in oil prices since the Iraqi invasion began to lose steam. Oil futures opened lower but were higher in late trading.

On the trading floor, Texaco was the most active issue, down 3/8 to 64 5/8. Alcan Aluminum followed, unchanged at 22 1/2. Wal-Mart was third, unchanged at 28 5/8.

General Electric was also active, up 1 1/4 to 67 1/4, as was Philip Morris up 1 1/4 to 45 1/4.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T rose one to 35 3/8, Sears fell 1 1/4 to 29 7/8, General Motors tumbled 1 3/8 to 40 1/8, Procter & Gamble jumped 1 5/8 to 77 1/4 and IBM lost 7/8 to 103.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 273,706,340 shares, compared with 273,264,110 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices closed lower in heavy trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index fell 0.43 to close at 339.84. Declines led advances 343-265 among the 861 issues traded. The price of an average share fell two cents. Composite volume totaled 22,199,700 shares, compared with 26,885,000 shares traded Monday. The Kingdom of Denmark's put warrants on the Tokyo stock market's Nikkei index led the Amex issues, down 1/2 to 12 7/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 2.04 to 402.08.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - Last week, Congress bit the hand that feeds it. But representatives of political action committees whose hands are aching from the assault say legislation passed to restrict PACs is not likely to become law.

Even if some version is signed into law, PACs will find other ways to influence elections with their money, these officials say.

''You cannot eliminate the ability of an organization to be involved in politics,'' said John Motley, chief lobbyist for the National Federation of Independent Business, whose PAC gave $500,000 to Senate and House candidates during the last election cycle .

Motley predicted that contributions for advertising, voter registration and other efforts to help candidates would increase if the legislation

becomes law.

''I think (the legislation) was designed for members of Congress who can go home and say they voted for campaign finance reform,'' said Steven Stockmeyer, executive director of the National Association of Business PACs.

Before members of Congress scurried home for their summer vacations, they approved two versions of reform bills last week that took a broadside at the greatest perceived wrong of campaign fundraising - the lopsided domination of PACs.

The Senate bill would ban PACs, though lawmakers hastily approved a fallback position after questions were raised over the legality of the move. Many senators suspect the provision, if the bill becomes law, would be challenged and ruled unconstitutional as a violation of free speech.

The Senate would then reduce from $10,000 to $2,000 the total contributions PACs could make to candidates in an election cycle.

Senate supporters of the PAC proposals say the changes will diminish the role of PACs in elections, which they contend is a healthy evolution.

The House bill, intended to entice modest contributions, would reduce from $10,000 to $2,000 contributions PACs could make to candidates if they fill their coffers with employee and individual donations exceeding $240.

But House bill, if it becomes law, would not greatly alter the PAC landscape. Between January 1989 and March 1990, individual donations under $200 accounted for an impressive $154 million of the $198 million PACs received from individuals, according to the Federal Election Commission.

''I think that ($240) figure is clearly arbitrary,'' said Stockmeyer, who added that corporate PACs received an average $60 from employees during the last election cycle.

Critics contend the House legislation is specious because its contribution and spending limits are well above current levels.

The House bill would impose a ceiling of $275,000 in PAC contributions and a total spending limit of $550,000. Public financing provisions contained in the bill could raise that ceiling to $715,000 for many candidates.

In 1988, House incumbent victors spent an average $378,000 in their re-election bids, while PACs made average candidate contributions of $82,000, the FEC reported.

The Senate adopted a sliding scale for voluntary spending limits, ranging

from $950,000 to $5 million, depending on the size of a candidate's state.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - The dollar showed its safe-haven pulling power again Tuesday in New York trading as it moved up briskly on reports late in the day that the United States would send troops to defend Saudi Arabia.

As on previous days, the foreign exchange market was preoccupied with Mideast developments and watched attentively for signs that the West's standoff with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein might turn to war.

The dollar slipped in early trading but surged when CBS News said the United States would send ground troops and combat aircraft to buttress the Saudi defense against invasion by Iraq, which seized Kuwait last week.

"The dollar has gotten an additional boost today on the back of rising Middle East tensions," said Robert White, a vice president and corporate currency manager with First Interstate Bank Corp., Los Angeles.

In late New York trading, the dollar moved up to 1.5865 German marks against 1.5770 marks Monday. It was at 150.90 Japanese yen, up from 150.40.

Chemical Bank currency vice president Linda McLaughlin said dealing "got kind of nasty" after reports of a U.S. deployment decision.

She said the yen earlier reclaimed ground against the dollar on comments from the Bank of Japan calming the nervous Tokyo Stock Exchange, and rumors that U.S. and Japanese officials would act to stabilize markets.

But no one was ready to start selling dollars as most would be inclined to do on a purely economic basis. White of First Interstate noted that U.S. consumer credit plunged in June, indicating low confidence.

Such news "weighs the dollar down" even in the present crisis, White said. But, he added, "It's a very nervous market. People are trying to step very lightly and be very careful."

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3380 Swiss francs, up from 1.3310; 5.3180 French francs, ahead from 5.2850; and 1,160 Italian lire, off from 1,163. The British pound eased to $1.8710 from $1.8720.

In Europe, the dollar made small gains against most major European currencies in a calmer day on foreign exchange markets, analysts said.

They said speculators held back awaiting Mideast developments. "People played safe and stayed away from the dollar except for some shortcovering

" said a Lehman Brothers International trader.

With "no clear fresh news from the Gulf" there was a surge in cross-trading of the Swiss franc and the yen in particular, he said.

In Frankfurt, the dollar closed higher at 1.5790 German marks, against 1.5730 Monday. It rose in Zurich to 1.3315 Swiss francs from 1.3275.

In London, high British interest rates meant the pound remained a good bet on currency markets. It closed firmer at $1.8800 against $1.8740.

The U.S. unit was up in Paris and Brussels, at 5.2865 French francs compared with 5.2790, and 32.45 Belgian francs against 32.29. It was also up in Milan at 1,154 Italian lire against 1,153.20 Monday.

In Tokyo, the U.S. dollar soared to a four-week high against the Japanese yen on continuing tension in the Middle East. It closed at 150.60 yen, up 1.10 yen from Monday's close of 149.50 yen.

In Zurich, gold closed higher at $383.50 an ounce, against $382.25 Monday. In London, gold rose to $383 an ounce against $382.50.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold slightly lower at $384.50 an ounce, compared with $384.75. The New York Commodity Exchange settled gold at $384.50 an ounce, also off from $384.70.

Silver was up in Zurich at $4.95 an ounce compared with $4.91. But it eased in London, to $4.89 an ounce against $4.90.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.89 an ounce, down from $4.915. Comex silver was also lower, at $4.857 an ounce compared with $4.892.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - The jury in the trial of Mayor Marion Barry reached a verdict on one of 14 counts Tuesday, but did not announce whether it found Barry guilty or innocent on the single misdemeanor cocaine possession charge in question.

Jury foreman Edward Eagles told U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson that the jury had reached a verdict on Count 12, a charge that Barry possessed cocaine between Nov. 7 and Nov. 10, 1989.

A second juror, Hilson Snow, told Jackson that the jury was not yet prepared to announce its decision, and the judge accepted that.

Although Jackson had told the jury earlier it was allowed to return a

verdict in piecemeal fashion, prosecutors Tuesday asked that an announcement be delayed until a decision was reached on all the counts. Jackson overruled prosecutors and said that decision would remain in the jury's hands.

The jury then recessed for the day, its fifth day of deliberations. It was to resume deliberating on the 13 remaining counts at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday.

''The anxiety is great, let me tell you,'' Barry said outside court. ''There is a great deal of anxiousness on my part, a great deal of just feeling I made it through the waiting period.''

Count 12 refers to testimony of Doris Crenshaw, a former Barry friend who testified that on Aug. 26, 1989, she used cocaine with Barry at a hotel.

Last week, jurors had asked for an exhibit showing an agreement that Crenshaw had signed with prosecutors regarding her promise to testify truthfully.

Shortly before its announcement of a verdict on Count 12 Tuesday, jurors sent a note to Judge Jackson asking whether another government witness, Darrell Sabbs, had testified under any kind of agreement.

Jackson sent the jurors a note back saying there was no ''written agreement'' between Sabbs and prosecutors that could have prompted his testimony.

Sabbs, a friend of Barry's for two decades, testified that he used cocaine with Barry at least five times from 1986 to 1989.

But the testimony that was most important was his statement that he used cocaine with Barry on the date charged in Count 11, another of the 10 misdemeanor cocaine possession counts facing Barry.

The jury's question could be important because the government acknowledged that many of its other witnesses testified under plea agreements or with grants of immunity.

Asked his interpretation of Tuesday's events, Barry said: ''I have no idea. I can't read them. I can't tell what they're thinking about. My fate is in their hands. My faith is in God.''

Defense attorney R. Kenneth Mundy gave a thumbs-up sign to reporters, and said he was encouraged by the development, calling Crenshaw ''the government's strongest witness.''

''I'm still confident,'' Mundy said. ''Read your tea leaves.''

The jury, which has been sequestered for eight weeks, deliberated for nearly eight hours Monday without reaching a verdict and returned to the jury room Tuesday morning for its fifth day in deliberations. It broke at about 4:30 p.m.

The panel of 10 blacks and two whites, which has been sequestered since June 18, is considering Barry's guilt or innocence on three felony counts of perjury, 10 misdemeanor counts of cocaine possession and a single misdemeanor count of conspiracy to possess cocaine.

If convicted of all counts, Barry could be sentenced to a maximum of 26 years in prison and fined $1.85 million.

''I'm on an even keel here. I'm very hopeful. I'm very prayerful,'' Barry said. ''If I'm found guilty, my mood will be the same as if I were found not guilty. It's about an even keel.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Madonna has hair that ''makes your head turn'' and Barbara Bush has hair that ''makes your stomach turn,'' according to results of a poll of leading hairstylists and colorists released Tuesday by the International Hair Color Exchange.

The national organization of 150 coiffure experts gave no reason for turning thumbs down on the first lady's matronly white curls or approving the free-fall blond locks of pop music's material girl. But it put Bush at the top of its list headed ''Awful Hair/Women'' and named Madonna No. 1 on its ''Great Hair/Women'' listing.

According to Dee Levin of Philadephia, IHCE chairman, the key to best hair looks today are ''elegant, natural, casual, soft, light, working with rather than against the shape of the face, classic, free-spirited, loose, young, and fresh.''

The worst hairlooks are ''drab, dull, stiff, carboardish, fake, contrived, flat, glued, sleazy, greasy and plain old ugly,'' Levin said.

Following Bush on the hairstylists' nix list were Kathleen Sullivan, Roseanne Barr, Jane Pauley, Kim Bassinger, Dolly Parton, Elizabeth Taylor, Ivana Trump, Jamie Lee Curtis, and Angie Dickinson.

Most have been wearing their ''awful'' hairstyles for years, but Trump made news earlier this year by adopting a new Brigitte Bardot retro hairstyle soon after her real estate tycoon husband, Donald Trump, left her, reportedly for a younger woman with a free-spirited, loose, and fresh hairdo.

Sharing IHCE's ''great hair'' cachet are Michelle Pfeiffer, Kimberly Foster, Barbara Walters, Joan Rivers, Cybil Shepherd, Jane Seymour, Brooke Shields Melanie Griffith and Valerie Bertinelli.

The hair poll took aim at men celebrities, too, naming Don King of the shocked locks look as having the most ''awful'' hairdo and citing Sylvester Stallone with natural, casual, soft hair as possessing the ''greatest'' hair.

Named with Stallone as sporting best dressed tresses are Michael Bolton, Arsenio Hall, Michael Douglas, Shadoe Stevens, Mel Gibson, Bryant Gumbel, Chuck Berry, Richard Lewis and Robert Plant.

Lumped with King on the ''awful'' hairstyle list were Geraldo Rivera, Ted Koppel, Michael Jackson, Donald Trump, Ronald Reagan, Alice Cooper, Prince Bruce Willis and David Letterman. Ivana's Donald made it without turning a hair of his old-fashioned, collar-grazing styling.

''Eighty percent of a first impression is conveyed by your face and 80 percent of that impression is created by your hair,'' Levin, owner of the Philadelphia's Salon Norman Dee, cautioned.

''The great images of today begin in beauty salons. Unfortunately, some of the worst also begin there.''

She said it first.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	25.75-26.00	23.75-23.80
North Sea Brent	28.40-28.50	26.75-26.80
West Texas Intermed	29.75-30.00	28.05-28.10
Light Louisiana Sweet	30.35-30.80	28.70-28.85

New York Harbor spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	87.40-87.65	85.50-85.75
No. 2 Heating oil	73.90-74.15	74.05-74.30

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	84.40-84.95	83.75-84.25
No. 2 Heating oil	72.05-72.30	71.90-72.10

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BEAVERTON, Ore. (AUG. 7) UPI - The Food and Drug Administration has approved an request by Epitope Inc. to begin human testing of a saliva-based AIDS test, the company announced Tuesday.

The decision represents the FDA's first approved clinical study of a saliva-based AIDS test, the company said.

''Collecting saliva is preferable to collecting blood,'' said Adolph Ferro Epitope's president and chief executive officer, noting the relative ease of such collection and the lower risk of infection to health-care workers.

Epitope's AIDS diagnostic system contains a saliva collection kit called OraSure that collects samples from the mouth. It is designed to be pressed between the gums and cheek for about two minutes, then placed in a sealed tube for mailing to Epitope's laboratory, Immunologic Associates.

The system initially is slated for testing at San Francisco General Hospital,the Tampa, Fla., HRS Regional Laboratory, Portland's Veterans Administration Medical Center, New York University Medical Center and Northwestern University Dental School in Chicago.

The study is expected to last nine months and involve more than 4,000 samples of blood and saliva.

Epitope ''will be working with an outside agency to adequately address the concerns related to home use, such as counseling and anonymity,'' Ferro

said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Tuesday was 466.70, up 0.30 percent.
This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90219u2190 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 7) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is challenging United Nations-endorsed trade sanctions and an oil embargo voted against Iraq. He says his forces are ready to confront what he terms ''any imperialist, Zionist attack'' aimed at ousting Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

In Washington, the State Department says that 39 Americans are known to be in a hotel in Baghdad. A spokeswoman says the group has NOT been able to leave the hotel... but it would be premature to describe them as hostages. It's believed most of those involved were bussed to Iraq from Kuwait.

Seven African countries agreed today to send a peace-keeping force to Liberia. A rebel leader there had threatened to attack the U-S Embassy in Monrovia to provoke international intervention in the country's civil war.

Angry Jews attacked Arabs and stoned their cars in Jerusalem today following the funeral of two Israeli teen-agers found stabbed to death near an Arab neighborhood. At least six Arabs were injured.

Space agency officials say they have decided against a scheduled fueling test for the shuttle Colombia at Cape Canaveral. This will allow for a blastoff of the trouble-plagued space vehicle on a 10-day voyage around the first of September.

A lawyer for one of three youths on trial for the attack on a jogger in New York's Central Park suggested today that the woman was never gang-raped. The attorney said the woman cannot remember whether she had sex with anyone that night last year because of the beating she suffered.

Christian Brando... the eldest son of actor Marlon Brando... pleaded innocent today to murdering his pregnant half-sister's boyfriend. The younger Brando also pleaded innocent in Santa Monica, California, to a charge of possessing a machine gun.

Colorado Governor Roy Romer has ordered a statewide grand jury probe into the activities of a home-building firm and a savings and loan company.

Romer wants the panel to check into allegations that the firms made illegal contributions to political campaigns, including his own.

The manufacturer of a potentially defective heart valve today announced plans to notify patients who have the devices in their chests of the possible dangers. The action by Shiley Incorporated of Irvine, California, is in response to concerns raised by a consumer group.

Hurricane Diana is aiming its 85-mile-an-hour winds at Mexico's Gulf Coast. Weathermen say the storm's torrential rains could trigger flash floods and mudslides once it moves ashore.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 7) UPI - The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait could leave Americans paying $2 a gallon for gasoline and waiting in long lines to buy the fuel, energy law experts told reporters at the American Bar Association's annual meeting Tuesday.

Whether Saudia Arabia, they said, is willing to increase oil output will be a key factor in determining the extent of world oil shortages - and the Soviet Union could prove a wild card in determining the severity of shortfalls.

''The past several years have left us adrift on energy policy and, I think grossly underprepared for the kind of situation we face today,'' said Sheila Hollis, head of the ABA Coordinating Committee on Energy Law.

If an embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil is effective and the turmoil impedes shipments from Saudi Arabia, the impact could equal or exceed that of the 1974 Arab oil embargo, when Americans spent hours in line trying to buy high-priced gas, Hollis and other experts warned.

''I'd say $2 a gallon would be easy to get to,'' said Hollis, former chief of enforcement for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission under President Carter.

''No aspect of our economy is safe in the event of a runup in oil prices and a shortage of supply,'' Hollis said.

Edward Renwick, former head of the ABA Section on Natural Resources, Energy and Environmental Law, said an effective blockade of Iraq and Kuwait would reduce world oil supplies by between 4 million and 5 million barrels a day - about 10 percent of the world output.

''Saudi Arabia could make up about 2 million barrels of that, but they have a lot of political reasons not to do that, and exactly what they will

do remains to be seen,'' said Renwick, an energy law specialist with the firm Hanna & Morton in Los Angeles.

Renwick said that the extent of price runups depends on numerous factors -including Saudi Arabia's willingness and ability to help bridge the crude oil gap - but that $2 a gallon was not an unreasonable expectation.

Jack Moore, former general counsel for oil giant Caltex Inc. and currently a partner in the Austin, Texas, law firm of Johnson & Gibbs, noted the International Energy Agency requires that the burden of any oil shortage be shared equally among its members.

That means available supplies will be divided up among IEA members, including the United States, the nations of Western Europe and Japan, so that supply reductions in each nation, on a percentage basis, are equal.

''It's a shared misery that could conceivably bring back some of the scenes we had in '73 and '74,'' said Moore.

However, ''the Soviet Union is not a part of the IEA, and it's anybody's guess what their position will be,'' Moore said.

Renwick noted the Soviets could be a wild card in the equation - at least in terms of sharing supplies of oil available for import.

But Hollis disputed this, saying it is doubtful the Soviets could become a significant supplier of oil.

''The Soviet Union clearly has enormous reserves, but they lack deliverability,'' Hollis said, noting it would take years to build pipelines and other facilities needed to bring Soviet oil to market.

Moore, Hollis and Renwick all urged against any move to impose price controls on gasoline.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.80	10.51
Anchor Fund Inv	15.34	16.28
Delaware Mutual	17.15	18.39
Fidelity Fund	17.03	17.03
Investors Mutual	11.19	11.78
Investors Stocks	18.60	19.57
Invest Select	8.28	8.71
IDS Equity Plus	9.27	9.76
Mass Inv Growth	8.77	9.46

Nicholas Fund	3.36	3.36
United Accumulated	6.55	7.16
United Income	17.67	19.31
Vanguard Wellington	16.58	16.58

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - President Bush ordered U.S. warplanes and several thousand troops Tuesday to bases in Saudi Arabia to help Saudi forces defend against a possible attack by Iraq, U.S. defense sources said.

Members of the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C., were preparing to leave as early as Tuesday night and were expected to land in Saudi Arabia Wednesday morning Washington time, the sources said.

The White House and the Pentagon officially declined comment other than to express continuing concern over the presence of Iraqi troops on Kuwait's border with Saudi Arabia.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the United States would not send U.S. forces without a Saudi invitation - one of the requests Defense Secretary Dick Cheney made in Saudi Arabia Monday during a meeting with King Fahd.

''I have no comment on any military movements,'' Fitzwater said. ''I won't confirm or deny any military movements.''

Cheney, who was in Morocco Tuesday night for consultations before returning to Washington, received permission from Saudi Arabia during his talks to allow U.S. forces to use the bases, paving the way for the U.S. mobilization.

U.S. defense sources said the plan calls for sending aircraft and several thousand U.S. troops who will act in a defensive rather than an offensive role. Egypt is also believed to be sending troops, the sources said.

Few details were available but B-52 bombers were reported to be on Diego Garcia, a remote island in the Indian Ocean south of the Persian Gulf.

Reaction to the U.S. military moves on Capitol Hill, where lawmakers had soundly denounced Iraq's oil-grabbing invasion of Kuwait last week, was positive.

Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, issued a statement saying, ''I support the reported decision to send U.S. combat aircraft to Saudi Arabia. This is a clear signal of our commitment to defend Saudi Arabia from a possible Iraqi attack.''

He added, ''A firm U.S. position, combined with United Nations sanctions, offers the best hope for ending Iraq's occupation of Kuwait without the use of force.''

Rep. Dante Fascell, D-Fla., House Foreign Affairs Committee chairman, praised Bush's move and called on the president to submit ''a timely report'' to Congress under the War Powers act. Under the law, Bush must notify Congress within 48 hours when he sends American troops into areas of imminent or actual hostilities.

Bush was reported to be on the phone talking to U.S. allies about the plans.

The president earlier told a Cabinet meeting ''that he viewedterests,'' Fitzwater said.

''That has been our message to Saudi Arabia and we believe that they understand that, and are appreciative of that statement.''

He said of the Iraqi presence near the border: ''We do have information showing that the Iraqi forces are there in considerable quantity and they are in an offensive posture and we believe there is an imminent threat to Saudi Arabia from the way that they are positioned and located in Kuwait.''

Fitzwater added, ''There have been changes of a sort that cause us to believe there is a growing and continuing threat.''

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(AUG. 7) UPI - President Bush ordered U.S. ground troops and combat aircraft to bases in Saudi Arabia to defend against a possible Iraqi attack, while Iraqi President Saddam Hussein held firm against mounting international pressure, saying his country will fight for ''Arab muscle and Arab honor.''

U.S. defense sources said members of the 82nd Airborne Division were preparing to leave as early as Tuesday night for Saudi Arabia, which was sending troops to its border with occupied Kuwait to counter a feared attack by Iraqi troops.

The White House and Pentagon officially declined comment other than to express continuing concern over the presence of Iraqi troops on Kuwait's border with major oil power Saudi Arabia.

U.S. defense sources said the U.S. plan also calls for sending aircraft and several thousand U.S. troops to serve in a defensive rather than an

offensive capacity. Egypt also is believed to be sending troops, the sources said.

U.S., Soviet and French ships meanwhile steamed toward the region, displaying an unprecedented united front.

In a statement in Saddam's name read in Baghdad, Iraq, and translated by Cable News Network in Amman, Jordan, the Iraqi president defended his conquest of Kuwait, exalting his country as ''a most honorable country which fights for the Arab muscle and Arab honor.''

But in an apparent gesture to ease fears that Iraq had taken Western hostages, Baghdad said it was considering freeing about 400 foreigners seized in Kuwait.

The State Department said 39 Americans, including 11 oil workers in Iraqi custody since the invasion Thursday, and U.S. citizens taken from three hotels in Kuwait city were being held in a Baghdad hotel and told they were not allowed to leave.

There have been no indications of any mistreatment of the foreigners, nor any signs that they are being held hostage.

In keeping with the overwhelming U.N. Security Council decision Monday to impose tough sanctions against Iraq - five days after the world body condemned the invasion and demanded that Iraq pull its forces from Kuwait - Turkey said it closed two Iraqi pipelines passing through its territory.

Turkish President Turgut Ozal said in an interview with CBS News, ''The Turkish ... pipeline is not giving any drop of oil to the tankers.''

But the nation's oil minister later clafified that Turkey would not close the pipeline, but would instead store Iraqi oil and block it from leaving the country.

The twin pipelines, running about 700 miles from the Kirkuk oilfields in northern Iraq to a Mediterranean terminal at Yumurtalik, transport about 1.5 million barrels of Iraqi oil each day.

The United States hopes an oil embargo on Iraq engineered by closing the Turkish and Saudi pipelines will compel Saddam to leave Kuwait.

But the official Iraqi News Agency quoted a government spokesman as saying ''We do not believe that Saudi Arabia would cut the flow of oil through its territory because such a measure would seriously harm Iraq.''

Iraq and Saudi Arabia have a non-aggression pact, and most analysts believe closing the pipeline in Saudi Arabia would be construed as a

declaration of war.

To prevent Iraqi military action beyond Kuwait, the United States has mounted a formidable naval presence and boosted its military readiness in the Persian Gulf region.

The Soviet Union and France bolstered their naval forces in the region. Even Switzerland broke its long tradition of neutrality and said it would support the U.N. sanctions.

President Bush met with his Cabinet and maintained contacts with allied leaders, while Defense Secretary Dick Cheney went to Morocco Tuesday night for consultations before returning to Washington. Cheney received permission from Saudi King Fahd on Monday to allow U.S. forces to use the bases, paving the way for the U.S. mobilization.

Although White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said reports of a possible naval blockade of Iraq were premature, Western leaders said continued Iraqi intransigence could lead to such a move.

In Baghdad, Saddam met Lt. Col. Alaa Hussein, the prime minister and military commander of the ''provisional free Kuwait government,'' which was installed by Iraq after it overthrew the Kuwaiti leadership. ''Kuwait and Iraq share the same destiny,'' Alaa was quoted by the Iraqi News Agency as saying.

The news agency said Saddam assured Alaa that ''Iraq will confront any imperialist, Zionist attack against the Kuwaiti uprising,'' referring to a rebellion Iraq claims it had to intervene to support.

Iraqi media also reported that a flood of volunteers across Iraq had led to the creation of 25 new military divisions - about 250,000 men - to prop up the provisional government believed made up of Iraqi military officers.

Before the invasion, Iraq was estimated to have a 1 million-strong battle-tested military and about 700,000 reserves.

Saudi and Iraqi forces are deployed on the borders of an neutral oil extraction zone owned by both Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, and the kingdom - the main supplier of oil to the United States - has fully mobilized its military to show resolve against the Iraqis.

The United States has given Saudi Arabia firm assurances of its resolve to assist the kingdom against any further Iraqi advances and is vastly reinforcing its military strength in the region.

An Iraqi Embassy official in Amman, Jordan, said Baghdad was considering a U.S. request delivered through Jordan asking for the release of the

foreign nationals. ''Iraq has not issued an official declsion on the matter yet,'' he told United Press International.

A Jordanian official said the foreigners were welcome in Jordan and ''all facilities will be given to them.''

Jordan's borders with Iraq have been closed since the invasion and it is a five-hour drive from Baghdad to Amman, should the group be evacuated overland.

Officials in Bonn, Washington and London said Iraqi troops ordered about 400 foreigners, including 28 Americans, out of Kuwait city hotels and took them in buses toward Baghdad.

According to State Department figures, some 3,000 Americans were in Kuwait last week. Some of them apparently have left, but State Department officials said most are believed to still be in Kuwait.

Analysts believed any U.S. action would mostly involve air power and avoid committing ground troops against Iraq's formidable army, which has about 5,500 tanks.

They said any U.S. personnel in Saudi Arabia would be more likely to be ground crew for planes which Washington would like to deploy at bases from where any attack force would cross friendly air space to reach targets.

A group of U.S. F-111 bombers arrived Tuesday in Turkey from bases in England. Officials said the planes were on a routine training mission to the NATO ally bordering Iraq.

U.S. officials said Cheney may have sought permission from Egypt's Mubarak for the aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower and other vessels to pass from the Mediterranean through the Suez Canal and into the Red Sea and Indian Ocean.

Another U.S. carrier battle group has left the United States, and officials said Washington in 10 days would have 49 ships in the region, including three aircraft carriers, more than 200 aircraft and about 2,100 marines. Britain, France and the Soviet Union also have deployed warships.

The Soviet Union said Tuesday two other Soviet vessels were steaming towards the Gulf, but emphasized that the dispute should be solved diplomatically.

The Soviet Union and the United States have issued an unprecedented joint condemnation of the invasion, and some reports have said a combined naval action is possible between the superpowers.

Egypt is allied to Iraq, but has denounced the invasion through the

21-nation Arab League. Its role and military muscle are now regarded as crucial should Saudi Arabia's 95,000-strong military engage the superior Iraqis.

The British Broadcasting Corp.'s Arabic Service reported that the United States has offered logistical and air support to an unspecified Arab country, believed to be Egypt, as part of a wider plan of rallying the Arab world to confront Iraq.

Any Egyptian involvement would require massive airlift capability to take its troops to the conflict site.

At the United Nations, all 159 members of the world body have been asked to begin immediately observance of the U.N. Security Council's embargo on Iraq.

Yugoslavia said it had not decided whether to join the U.N. sanctions against Iraq, where it is building $1.9 billion in construction projects employing 9,000 of its citizens.

Mubarak of Egypt met in Alexandria with the crown prince of Kuwait, Saad al Abudallah al Sabah, the defeated nation's prime minister who has been the frontman for Kuwait's global appeals for help.

Exiled Kuwaiti groups issued a statement in Beirut claiming they killed and wounded 11 Iraqi soldiers in three ambushes.

The volatile situation in the Middle East caused further disruptions in financial markets, and the Bush administration bgan to examine increases in U.S. gasoline retail prices.

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ANKARA, TURKEY (AUG. 7) UPI - Turkey said Tuesday it would prevent the export of Iraqi oil from two pipelines that pass through its territory and would abide by U.N. Security Council sanctions against the Persian Gulf state.

The semi-official Anatolia News Agency quoted state minister Mehmet Keciler as saying the Iraqi authorities were told no loading would be allowed from the pipeline into oil tankers in the Mediterranean.

The twin pipelines, running about 700 miles from the Kirkuk oilfields in northern Iraq to a Mediterranean terminal at Yumurtalik, transported approximately 1.5 million barrels of Iraqi oil a day.

The Iraqi government shut off the flow from one of the lines Monday and

reduced the other by 30 percent, apparently because of reduced demand because of the embargo.

The British Broadcasting Corp. quoted oil experts in the gulf as saying Iraq had cut back the oil flow through its Saudi overland route as well because storage tanks at the pipe's terminus had been filled to capacity.

The Turkish minister's statement followed an earlier announcement that Turkey agreed in principle to the economic sanctions imposed by the security council against Iraq for invading Kuwait, but only implied Ankara was closing the pipelines.

Keciler said all Turkish trade with Iraq was being stopped, with the exception of trade in food and medicines.

President Turgut Ozal said in an interview with CBS News, ''The Turkish ... pipeline is not giving any drop of oil to the tankers.''

The Arab Service of the BBC quoted Ozal as saying that ''the flow and shipment of Iraqi oil through Turkish territories would be stopped.''

Turkey's oil minister later clarified that oil from the pipes would be put into storage and not allowed to be shipped from the country.

Government spokesman Mehmet Yazar said Ozal chaired an emergency Cabinet meeting after the U.N. sanctions were announced Monday. Chief of Staff Gen. Necit Turumtay and Defense Minister Safa Giray attended.

Yazar told reporters after the meeting that Turkey accepted in principle the Security Council sanctions against Iraq, which invaded Kuwait last week, and would take what he called a common stance with other U.N. member nations.

Yazar dismissed reports that American F-111 bombers had landed at the U.S. air base at Incirlik in southern Turkey, some 400 miles from the Iraqi border.

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(AUG. 7) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Reverse Stock Split				
Atlantic Express Inc - 1-for-2				
Increased				

ACM Managed Multi-Mkt	M	.12 1/2	8-31	8-17
Advanta Corp	Q	.03	9-18	8-31
Avemco Corp	Q	.11	10-24	9-28
Conseco Inc	Q	.06	10-1	9-20
Hershey Foods Corp	Q	.22 1/2	9-14	8-24
Hershey Foods cl-B	Q	.20 1/4	9-14	8-24
Kansas City Pwr & Lt	Q	.67	9-20	8-29
Special				
Hershey Foods Corp	..	.15	9-14	8-24
Hershey Foods Corp B	..	.13 1/2	9-14	8-24
Distribution				
Source Capital Inc	Q	.90	9-15	8-24
Usual				
ACM Govt Income Fund	..	.10 1/2	8-31	8-17
ACM Govt Opport Fund	..	.084	8-31	8-17
ACM Managed Income Fd	..	.084	8-31	8-17
Alco Standard Corp	Q	.21	9-10	8-20
Contel Corp	Q	.27 1/2	8-31	8-17
Cooper Industries	Q	.27	10-1	9-17
Diamond Shamrock Inc	..	.12	9-7	8-17
DPL Inc	Q	.39	9-1	8-20
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	Q	.45	9-15	8-16
Insteel Industries	Q	.06	10-5	9-14
IRT Property Co	Q	.29	9-1	8-17
Koger Equity Inc	Q	.45	10-23	9-28
Koger Properties Inc	Q	.70	10-23	9-28
Monarch Machine Tool	Q	.20	9-1	8-22
Myers (LE) Group	..	.03	9-14	8-31
Nash Finch Co	Q	.17	9-7	8-24
Reliance Group Hldgs	Q	.08	10-1	9-14
St Paul Cos	Q	.60	10-17	9-28
Teleflex Inc	..	.13 1/2	9-14	8-24

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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MEXICO CITY (AUG. 7) UPI - Hurricane Diana pounced on Mexico's Gulf Coast Tuesday, threatening villages at the foot of the eastern Sierra Madre mountains with 85 mph winds and up to 10 inches of rain.

Juan Antonio Neme, chief spokesman for the state government of Veracruz, told United Press International in a telephone interview that the coastal area had been put on hurricane alert.

Speaking from the state capital of Jalapa, 135 miles east of Mexico City, Neme said shipments of food and medical supplies are being flown in to emergency centers near the area, in preparation for possible damage from Diana.

There were no immediate reports of casualties or damage as Diana moved ashore.

At 5 p.m. EDT, the National Weather Service in Miami reported that the eye of Diana had moved onshore near Tuxpan, Mexico, and that a hurricane warning was in effect from Lerdo de Tejada northward to La Pesca. Cities covered by the hurricane warning included Veracruz, Tuxpan and Tampico.

Forecasters warned that Diana's torrential rains could trigger flash floods and mudslides.

''The main threat to life will be the rising waters on the coast and the heavy rains producing flash floods and mudslides inland,'' said Max Mayfield, a forecaster at the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

''We expect very strong rains,'' Neme said. ''We have asked people not to venture onto highways because we are expecting mudslides.''

In September 1988, Hurricane Gilbert hit Mexico's Caribbean coast with nearly 200 mph winds and killed more than 150 people. Gilbert hit the Caribbean resort of Cancun on the Yucatan peninsula, killing 25 people, and then moved up to the inland industrial city of Monterrey, 425 miles north of Mexico City, where it claimed 125 lives, flooded cities and forced evacuation of hundreds of thousands of people.

Diana was upgraded from a tropical storm Tuesday morning, slowing its forward speed and strengthening steadily as it moved toward Mexico.

Forecasters warned that Diana's tides would be 4 feet to 6 feet above normal with additional high waves to the north of landfall.

As the hurricane gathered strength as it closed in on Mexico, hurricane winds extended 85 miles from the center and tropical storm force winds outward up to 200 miles.

The Mexican government issued a hurricane warning from Lerdo de Tejada northward to La Pesca, including the cities of Veracruz, Tuxpan and Tampico. A tropical storm warning was in effect from north of La Pesca to Boca Jesus Mira, about 100 miles south of Brownsville, Texas.

Small boats were advised to remain in port from Baffin Bay, Texas, southward.

Gusty winds and rain were already spreading across the coast over portions of the warned area.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - Great Britain has agreed ''in principle'' to delay a threatened ban on U.S. lumber imports that could cost the Northwest wood products industry $400 million a year, it was disclosed Tuesday.

The European Community,citing fears of insect infestation, had planned to impose a Common Market ban Jan. 1, 1991, on American shipments of ''green'' lumber products - those not treated with a special insecticide.

But Jo Ann Smith, assistant secretary of agriculture, informed Rep. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., in a letter made public Tuesday that a breakthrough on the issue had been reached in talks between U.S. and British negotiators.

''We are pleased to report that our Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service and the Forestry Commission of Great Britain have agreed in principle to develop a program that will permit the continued export of green coniferous lumber to that country,'' Smith wrote.

Smith's letter said she was ''hopeful'' that such a program could be in place by Jan. 1, the date that the lumber ban would take effect.

Terms of the compliance agreement would remain in effect for one year, said John Duncan, a spokesman for the Agriculture Department agency.

''It is not a done deal, but we feel we have it pretty well worked (one) out with them,'' Duncan said.

The British are in effect negotiating on behalf of the EC, and any agreement reached with Britain is expected to be adopted by the entire Common Market, an aide to Wyden said. A similar agreement already has been reached with Canada.

The talks apply for the most part to basic structural lumber, such as 2-by-4s and other wood beams used in construction.

The EC's planned ''green'' lumber prohibition ostensibly was aimed at preventing the possible spread of the pine nimatode, a type of wood-boring grub native to North American forests.

But the United States maintains European fears about the nimatode are unfounded.

Wyden said green lumber from North America has been shipped to Europe for centuries without causing insect-related damage to European forests.

''There is no question that the Europeans are trying to put up barriers to getting our lumber in there,'' Wyden said.

''We know the economy is a little sluggish, housing starts have tapered off and these export markets are critical,'' the Oregon congressman said.

Exports of green lumber to EC nations from Oregon and Washington, comprising the biggest timber-processing region of the United States, are valued at about $400 million a year, Wyden said.

An aide to Wyden said that without exports of green lumber from the United States, the EC would likely turn to Scandanavia, Central Europe and possibly the Soviet Union for structural wood products.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - U.S. Savings Bond sales totaled $629 million in July, up 2 percent from June and a 4 percent gain over July, 1989, the Treasury Department said Tuesday.

The government sold $615 million in savings bonds in June and $607 million last July.

For the first 10 months of fiscal 1990, sales of the bonds - exempt from federal taxes when used for college tuition - were $6.58 billion vs. $6.57 billion for the same period of fiscal 1989.

''The value of all savings bonds held by Americans is now $122.55 billion, seven percent more than the $114.38 billion outstanding a year ago,'' the Treasury Department said.

U.S. Savings Bonds pay a market-based rate when held for five years or longer. The current market-based rate is 7.01 percent through Oct. 31.

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(AUG. 7) UPI - Turkey today said it would cut off the flow of the export of oil from two Iraqi pipelines on its territory... leaving Saudi Arabia as the main outlet for Iraqi oil. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein promises to defend ''Arab honor'' against any attack on his forces. Amid these developments... the White House refuses to comment on news reports that the United States is airlifting troops to Saudi Arabia. Meanwhile... the

State Department says 39 Americans are NOT being allowed to leave a Baghdad hotel.

Seven African nations plan to send a peace-keeping force to Liberia. The agreement was reached today in Gambia. Diplomatic sources say they want to hold peace talks to end Liberia's civil war. The initiative comes after rebel leader Prince Johnson threatened to attack Marines protecting the U-S Embassy in Monrovia... unless a U-N or West African peace-keeping force arrives.

A multitude of lightning strikes have helped spawn more than 100 wildfires along the West Coast. At least 70 of those fires burned in California woodlands from Lake Tahoe to Los Angeles County. Nearly three dozen sprang up in the Sierra National Forest. Hundreds of firefighters are hustling from one blaze to another to try to keep up.

Defense attorneys are presenting closing arguments at the trial of three youths accused of beating and gang-raping a woman jogger in New York's Central Park last year. One lawyer suggested in his summation today that the woman was never raped... but instead had a sexual romp at her apartment before jogging in the park.

The funeral of two Israeli teen-age girls found stabbed to death near an Arab neighborhood on the ouskirts of Jerusalem touched off violence in the city today. Police say at least six people were injured in a series of attacks by gangs of angry Jews who attacked groups of Arabs and stoned their cars.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Travelers face higher airfares as U.S. airlines raise ticket prices or add surcharges to offset rising fuel costs triggered by Middle East hostilities, analysts and airline spokesmen said Tuesday.

Pan American World Airways has announced a fare hike and Northwest Airlines has added a surcharge to compensate for rising jet fuel prices. Other major carriers said they are considering similar moves.

The Airline Passengers Association of North America urged the U.S. Department of Transportation to prohibit surcharges as a means to recoup increased fuel costs.

Higher ticket prices could discourage summer travelers from flying and send the already ailing domestic industry into a tailspin, said George James, chairman of Airline Economics, a consulting firm in Washington.

''In this particular economy, which is not very strong anyway, they could get hit both ways,'' James said. ''They're paying for the inflationary costs of fuel, etc., and can't get it back in the sense that traffic will leave.''

The consulting firm has revised downward its yearly economic forecast for the U.S. airline industry in the wake of the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, James said.

The industry could face a billion-dollar loss for 1990, he said. Before the invasion, domestic airlines had been expected to make between $400 million and $500 million in operating profits, he said.

The airline industry already is suffering from lower-than-anticipated passenger loads this summer, and fuel is airlines' second-largest cost after labor.

West Texas Intermediate, the key U.S. crude for immediate delivery on the New York Mercantile Exchange, gained 26 cents to $28.31 a barrel.

The price of crude hovered around $18 a barrel before the Iraqi invasion, and every dollar increase translates into an additional $550 million in annual fuel costs for U.S. airlines, he said.

Every dollar rise in a barrel of crude also translates into a 3.5 cent-a-gallon increase in a gallon of jet fuel, industry experts said.

The per-gallon price of jet fuel has risen about 5 cents to about 70 cents a gallon from about 65 cents since the Iraqi invasion, they said.

Airlines may have to raise fares about 8 percent to cover higher fuel costs,nd another 4 percent to cover other rising prices related to the fuel hikes, James said.

Pan Am said it planned to raise domestic fares by 10 percent to offset higher jet fuel prices beginning Thursday, and increase international rates 10 percent next Wednesday.

Northwest Airlines announced last week it will raise fares, also beginning Thursday, by adding an $8 surcharge each way on domestic flights.

American Airlines, Delta Airlines, Eastern Airlines, Trans World Airlines, USAir and Continental Airlines were studying the possibility of adding fuel surcharges, spokesmen said.

American is anticipating an additional $10 million a month in fuel costs, a spokesman said in Fort Worth, Texas.

A spokeswoman for United Airlines, headquartered in Chicago, declined to comment.

Airline stocks dropped Tuesday on the New York Stock Exchange. UAL Corp., the parent of United, lost $9 to close at $101. Delta was down 62.5 cents to $58.50 a share.

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(AUG. 7) UPI - Now that Eric Dickerson finally wants to play football, he has to wait at least a week.

The four-time NFL rushing champion must rehabilitate his strained left hamstring before joining the Indianapolis Colts in training camp. Dickerson failed his physical Monday night after ending at 10-day holdout by reporting to the Colts' camp in Anderson, Ind.

Dickerson, who strained a tendon during workouts in June, is expected to take another physical next week.

''There's really no mystery involved in it,'' Colts General Manager Jim Irsay said Tuesday. ''We tested the hamstring and it was 40 percent down in strength from the right one. Basically, he needs to get the strength back in it, and it should be no problem.''

Irsay said he expected Dickerson back with the team in ''one to three weeks,'' plenty of time to prepare for the team's Sept. 9 opener at Buffalo.

Indianapolis Coach Ron Meyer said the team was aware of the injury but thought it would not prevent Dickerson from returning to practice.

Dickerson, the NFL's seventh-leading all-time rusher, said last week he was in good condition and ready to play.

''Reading his (newspaper) quotes, we assumed he was ready to go. Hopefully it's not a prolonged thing,'' Meyer said.

Dickerson was scheduled to go to Houston late Tuesday to begin rehabilitation, Meyer said.

Last season, Dickerson injured his right hamstring and missed a game because of injury for the first time in his seven-year career. He finished the season with 1,311 rushing yards and a lot of ill will toward the Colts.

At Flagstaff, Ariz., the Phoenix Cardinals waived running back Stump Mitchell, who was attempting to come back after a severe knee injury.

Mitchell, 31, was released along with free-agent kicker Kevin Nicholl and running back Donnie Riley, a 12th-round draft pick from Central Michigan.

Mitchell's 1989 season ended after he suffered the injury in the third game against the New York Giants. In announcing Mitchell's release, General Manager Larry Wilson called him ''one of the great players in the history of the franchise.''

Mitchell is the Cardinals' all-time leader in kickoff returns with 4,007 yards and in combined yardage - 11,988 yards including 4,649 rushing, 4,007 in kickoff returns, 1,955 receiving and 1,377 in punt returns.

He also is third in rushing touchdowns with 32 and seventh in overall touchdowns with 42. He gained more than 100 yards in 14 games, second in club history.

At Fredonia, N.Y., the Buffalo Bills offensive line took another hit when guard Leonard Burton suffered a sprained right knee near the end of the morning workout. Burton, a five-year pro who filled in on the offensive line last year, was attempting to fill the vacancy at right guard created by the release of veteran Joe Devlin at the end of last season.

Bills Coach Marv Levy said Burton's knee would be examined more extensively in the next day or two.

''It's a sprain and I hope it's not a serious one,'' Levy said. ''I hope that all it is is a nick and that he'll be back in there pretty quickly. But I'm no doctor.''

The Bills already are without tackle Will Wolford, who has a contract dispute, and guard Jim Ritcher is expected to miss at least three weeks with a left shoulder injury.

At Kirtland, Ohio, Cleveland tackle Rickey Bolden abruptly retired and the Browns acquired tackle Ken Reeves from Philadelphia for undisclosed draft picks.

Bolden was the second tackle to retire since camp opened. Cody Risien retired earlier.

Bolden walked off the field with about 20 minutes left in the early practice, saying: ''The main reason I'm going to leave is my body.'' He has been on injured reserve in four of his six seasons with Cleveland.

At Madison, N.J., defensive end Eric Dorsey signed a two-year contract with the New York Giants and began practice. Dorsey's signing leaves the Giants without five defensive starters - linebackers Lawrence Taylor and Gary Reasons, end Leonard Marshall, nose tackle Erik Howard and cornerback

Mark Collins.

In other roster moves, Green Bay signed linebacker Brian Noble and waived defensive lineman Deatrick Wise; San Diego signed safety Vencie Glenn and waived cornerback Keith Collins; and Pittsburgh waived tackle Jeff Fryar.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 7) UPI - Sundstrand Corp. said in documents filed Tuesday with the Securities and Exchange Commission that it has agreed to a confidentiality and standstill agreement proposed by its acquisition target, Milton Roy Co.

The Rockford, Ill.-based Sundstrand owns 796,000 shares of Milton Roy common stock, representing 14.99 percent of the outstanding stock, and has offered $28 a share for the rest of the company.

Under their July 30 agreement, Milton Roy will provide Sundstrand with documents detailing its finances and operations, while Sundstrand will refrain from buying additional Milton Roy assets or stock. Sundstrand will also be barred from soliciting proxies and exercising its voting rights.

The standstill agreement runs for one year but would be superseded by a ''transaction agreement'' between the two companies.

The agreement ''ensures anything done within a year will be done on a friendly basis,'' said John McNamara, Milton Roy's chief financial officer.

Milton Roy is a St. Petersburg, Fla.-based manufacturer of metering and flow control devices and laboratory instruments. The company's West Coast division makes equipment used in auto emissions tests.

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(AUG. 7) UPI - The global scope of the embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil, aimed at punishing Baghdad for invading the Arab sheikdom, should make it easy to enforce, energy experts said Tuesday.

Industry specialists said it also will be extremely risky to violate the embargo, at least in the short term, because punishment can be severe and will be internationally coordinated. The U.S. embargo against Iranian oil, by comparison, did not work because it was imposed unilaterally by the United States and not many countries supported the action.

The only one way to transport crude oil in bulk is in huge tankers that can be detected easily. The sea lanes through which the tankers must sail

can be policed and even more effectively if the policing is done under international supervision and coordination.

Geophysical sciences are now so sophisticated that simple chemical tests can determine the oil's type, its specific gravity and composition and also accurately pinpoint where it was produced.

Oil also is so strictly controlled that it cannot be taken out of a producing country or transported to a buyer's port without voluminous documentation such as bills of lading, insurance papers, the transporter's own credentials and much other paperwork on where the oil was loaded and its intended destination, the volume shipped and the oil's physical characteristics.

Jay Amberg, managing editor of Oil Buyers' Guide International in Lakewood N.J., explained how the embargo will work in the United States.

''Let us say the destination is Galveston or Houston. There the tanker will first be met by the immigration people. Then the U.S. Customs will take over. If the cargo is a hazardous material, which oil is, the vessel will be checked by the U.S. Coast Guard.

''You see how many agencies will be checking the cargo? The papers accompanying the cargo must show the port of embarkation. U.S. authorities will also board the vessel and carefully test the cargo.''

Similar procedures are in place throughout the industrialized world.

''Much of the Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil has been going to the (Western European nations) and the governments of these countries have good control over their private sector,'' said Alvin Silber of Brean, Murray, Foster Securities Inc. in New York. ''So between them, the United States and also Japan this embargo should be quite effective.''

But problems can arise in the developing world where price consideration will eventually take priority over political concerns, Silber said.

He said reports indicated that Indonesia, a member of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, may not abide by the embargo.

Indonesia buys the cheaper and lower-quality Iraqi oil, instead of using its own higher-quality oil, to run its oil production machinery. The Indonesian oil is shipped mostly to Japan.

Brazil is another large buyer of Iraqi oil. If a major supply disruption takes place, these countries may be hard-pressed to go along with the embargo.

At that point, Silber said, it may become necessary to use a naval blockade to prevent any Iraqi or Kuwaiti oil from leaving their terminals.

The U.N. Security Council voted Monday to impose economic sanctions on Iraq and occupied Kuwait. U.S. and British official indicated they would be prepared to organize a naval blockade to enforce the boycott.

''Basically that is the next stage,'' he said. ''If the U.N. resolution eventually fails and before military action takes place, a naval blockade will be necessary. Inevitably, though, Iraq will lose the contest.''

In any case, the embargo will automatically take effect once the Ceyhan pipelines in Turkey and the Yanbu pipelines in Saudi Arabia - through which much of the Iraqi oil flows - are closed. One of the Ceyhan pipelines has already been closed by Iraq, indicating it is feeling the pinch of the embargo.

Donald Morton of Paine Webber Inc. in Boston said the immediate question is how the embargo will be policed.

''It has to be a consortium of several countries and only their navies can do the job of policing,'' he said. ''You have to be in the high seas to check any violation and seize the cargo. Only their navies are equipped to do the job.''

Again because of the international scope of the embargo, the experts said there is little likelihood of violating it at high seas or at spot - or free-market - terminals like Rotterdam.

In the oil business, ownership of a cargo of oil changes hands several times while the product still is at sea. Oil companies swap these cargoes to take advantage of fluctuations in transporation costs or when market conditions change.

At terminals like Rotterdam, crude and oil products are bought and sold freely by matching buyers and sellers. Rotterdam now accounts for more than 50 percent of the spot oil traded globally.

''But no matter what you do, you are going to know the origin of the cargo and you also have an international commitment. The oil is like your blood group. You can't change it at will,'' Morton said.

But Morton warned that after some time when the severity of the embargo gets worse, a black market may develop that could erode the effect of the ban.

''Iraq will get so squeezed it will start offering its oil at cheaper prices and that might encourage the development of a black market,'' he

said. ''The longer this embargo remains in effect, the more opportunities there will be to develop a black market.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 7) UPI - Travelers face higher airfares as U.S. airlines raise ticket prices or add surcharges to offset rising fuel costs triggered by Middle East hostilities, analysts and airline spokesmen said Tuesday.

Pan American World Airways has announced a fare hike and Northwest Airlines has added a surcharge to compensate for rising jet fuel prices. Other major carriers said they are considering similar moves.

The Airline Passengers Association of North America urged the U.S. Department of Transportation to prohibit surcharges as a means to recoup increased fuel costs.

Higher ticket prices could discourage summer travelers from flying and send the already ailing domestic industry into a tailspin, said George James, chairman of Airline Economics, a consulting firm in Washington.

''In this particular economy, which is not very strong anyway, they could get hit both ways,'' James said. ''They're paying for the inflationary costs of fuel, etc., and can't get it back in the sense that traffic will leave.''

The consulting firm has revised downward its yearly economic forecast for the U.S. airline industry in the wake of the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, James said.

The industry could face a billion-dollar loss for 1990, he said. Before the invasion, domestic airlines had been expected to make between $400 million and $500 million in operating profits, he said.

The airline industry already is suffering from lower-than-anticipated passenger loads this summer, and fuel is airlines' second-largest cost after labor.

West Texas Intermediate, the key U.S. crude for immediate delivery on the New York Mercantile Exchange, gained 26 cents to $28.31 a barrel.

The price of crude hovered around $18 a barrel before the Iraqi invasion, and every dollar increase translates into an additional $550 million in annual fuel costs for U.S. airlines, he said.

Every dollar rise in a barrel of crude also translates into a 3.5

cent-a-gallon increase in a gallon of jet fuel, industry experts said.

The per-gallon price of jet fuel has risen about 5 cents to about 70 cents a gallon from about 65 cents since the Iraqi invasion, they said.

Airlines may have to raise fares about 8 percent to cover higher fuel costs, and another 4 percent to cover other rising prices related to the fuel hikes, James said.

Pan Am said it planned to raise domestic fares by 10 percent to offset higher jet fuel prices beginning Thursday, and increase international rates 10 percent next Wednesday.

Northwest Airlines announced last week it will raise fares, also beginning Thursday, by adding an $8 surcharge each way on domestic flights.

American Airlines, Delta Airlines, Eastern Airlines, Trans World Airlines, USAir and Continental Airlines were studying the possibility of adding fuel surcharges, spokesmen said.

American is anticipating an additional $10 million a month in fuel costs, a spokesman said in Fort Worth, Texas.

A spokeswoman for United Airlines, headquartered in Chicago, declined to comment.

Airline stocks dropped Tuesday on the New York Stock Exchange. UAL Corp., the parent of United, lost $9 to close at $101. Delta was down 62.5 cents to $58.50 a share.

U.S. airlines should increase fares ''as justified by higher fuel cost over time,'' the Airline Passengers Association said in a statement.

''What passengers don't need are additional, artificial 'surcharges' that are not imposed or approved by federal government agencies but are invented by the airlines as sales and marketing alternatives to straight fare increases,'' the organization said.

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#90219u2401 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

RICHMOND, Va. (AUG. 7) UPI - A federal appeals panel ruled Tuesday insurers who claimed fraud - and then balked at covering mortgage-backed securities that made their way into S&L portfolios - must cover the losses because they should have known they were insuring faulty investments.

Mortgage-backed securities from Equity Programs Investment Corp., of Falls Church, Va., wound up in the portfolio of Silverado Banking, Savings and

Loan Association of Colorado and First National Bank of Maryland, among others.

EPIC collapsed in 1985, and the insurers, Foremost Guaranty Corp. and United Guaranty Residential Insurance of Iowa, refused to back its loan guarantees on the grounds EPIC officials had misled them.

But in a 29-page opinion, the three-judge panel of the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said the insurers had in their possession documents that would have shown them EPIC's troubled financial condition. The court described EPIC's pool of limited partnerships as ''illiquid, highly leveraged and deficit producing.''

The panel wrote: ''The insurers had the ability to unearth the misrepresentations. The insurers did not investigate, however. Had they questioned, the lack of credibility of the misrepresentations would have been at once apparent. Having reason to investigate but choosing not to do so, ... (means) the insurers may not rescind'' coverage.

Christopher Wolf, an attorney for the banks left holding the bag after EPIC defaulted and the insurers balked, called the ruling ''a major victory for the S&Ls who were innocent investors in the EPIC products.''

Wolf added: ''The court emphasized the duty of financial guarantors prudently to underwrite the transactions they back, even if lulled into a false sense of security by oral statements of issuers.

''The case has significance not only for the insurance industry but also for other third-party backers of financial transactions. The case is seen as requiring, in minimum, the meticulous reading of transaction-related documents.

''The case may serve as a precedent in other cases in which savings and loans are seeking to cut their losses on bad deals ... and are looking to third-parties on whom they relied,'' Wolf said.

The insurers had won at the original trial, but the banks won the reversal on appeal. The amounts in question were detailed only as ''millions.''

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#90219u2403 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - Seven African countries have agreed to form a peace-keeping force to send to Liberia. The decision is a reaction to threats by Liberian rebel leader Prince Johnson. He says he will attack Marines protecting the U-S Embassy in the capital of Monrovia unless a U-S or West African peace-keeping force arrives. Johnson also says he will continue to hold an American and at least seven other foreigners hostage

until the outside forces show up.

One member of an all-women crew was killed early today... marring an inter-island yacht race in Hawaii. The 40-foot vessel from Japan apparently struck a reef off the island of Molokai and sank. Officials say the remaining crew members were rescued and transported to Honolulu by another vessel. All the survivors are reported to be safe.

A freak and severe windstorm slammed four giant hot air balloons to the ground today in northern California, injuring 17 people. Authorities say the injured were thrown out of, or bounced around the passenger baskets. Injuries ranged from cuts and bruises to broken ankles and fractured ribs. Three women were hospitalized, including one who is in serious condition.

Colorado Governor Roy Romer today ordered a grand jury to investigate whether a homebuilder and the failed Silverado savings and loan made illegal contributions to campaigns... including Romer's. Published reports say M-D-C Holdings and Silverado may have disguised political contributions to local, state and federal campaigns by funneling payments through subcontractors and employees.

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#90219u2421 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (AUG. 7) UPI - Houston Industries Inc. Tuesday reported net income of $77.5 million, or 61 cents a share, for the second quarter compared with earnings of $56.7 million, or 45 cents a share, for the same period last year.

The improvement in HI's earnings stemmed primarily from increased earnings at Houston Lighting & Power Co. The electric utility's gain was attributed to the recording of cost deferrals related to previous periods.

HI's cable television subsidiary, KBLCOM Inc., also reported improved results for the second quarter compared with the same period last year.

HI revenues for the second quarter were $1 billion compared with $950 million for the three months ended June 30. Six month revenues were $1.9 billion compared with $1.75 billion for the first half of 1989.

Consolidated net earnings for the six months were $68.7 million, or 54 cents a share, compared with $142 million, or $1.15 a share, for the same time last year.

The decline resulted from cost disallowances that HL&P experienced in its general rate case and also resulted from losses at KLBCOM related to cable systems acquired in March 1989.

Last year's results also included gains from the sale of HI's oil and gas properties.

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#90219u2422 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (AUG. 7) UPI - The struggling Bank of New England Corp. said Tuesday it plans to merge its healthier Springfield subsidiary - the last of what were five separate Bay State banks - into its Boston operation.

The move, if approved by banking regulators, would create a single bank from what until February had been five separate institutions that all used versions of the Bank of New England name.

Also, the consolidation of Bank of New England-West into the Bank of New England N.A. ''immediately bolsters the capital of the (Boston) bank,'' said Lawrence K. Fish, chairman and chief executive officer of the parent corporation.

''The Springfield bank is well capitalized and can help us out,'' said James Dorsey, a company spokesman. It has about $1.5 billion in assets and a stronger ratio of assets to liabilities than the Boston bank, Dorsey said. With the merger, the Boston bank would have pproximatley $14 billion in assets, he said.

The western Massachusetts bank has 40 branches and about 700 full-time employees, Dorsey said. Any possible layoffs or branch closings would be decided within a month or so, he added.

The president of BNE-West, C.D. Harrington, who has been with the bank some 35 years, previously said he planned to retire this summer but will remain with the bank until a ''regional'' president can be named, probably in the next month or so, Dorsey said.

The parent company, which lost more than $1 billion last year in the region's collapsing real estate market and has continued losing money this year, had been trying to sell some of its subsidiaries as part of a recovery effort designed to return it to its core businesses.

The company had some out-of-state inquiries for purchase of the Springfield bank last spring, but the price was not high enough, Dorsey said.

Meanwhile, he said ''discussions are continuing'' about a possible sale of the company's Rhode Island subsidiary, Bank of New England-Old Colony. The company recently decided to stop seeking a buyer for its Maine bank.

Fish has said the Boston bank and Connecticut Bank & Trust were part of

the core franchise and would not be sold.

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#90219u2442 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - Democrat Zell Miller, for 16 years a fixture as Georgia's lieutenant governor, was favored to take a giant step Tuesday toward the state's top job and end the campaign of Andrew Young, who had hoped to become the state's first black chief executive.

Miller and Young faced each other in a runoff, made necessary by a July 17 primary in which they captured the top two spots. State election officials said about a third of the eligible voters would cast ballots Tuesday.

The polls closed at 7 p.m. EDT.

Earlier this year, Young's supporters had hoped he would be able to succeed retiring Democratic Gov. Joe Frank Harris. But Young's campaign never seemed to catch fire and he ran far behind Miller in the July primary.

Polls showed that Young not only was unable to effectively extend far beyond his base in the primary, but that the former confidant of Martin Luther King also was having trouble attracting enough black voters.

Going into the Tuesday runoff, surveys showed Miller holding a lead of about 20 points and even Young - a former Atlanta mayor and ambassador to the United Nations - conceded he would need ''a miracle'' to win.

But Young campaigned down to the wire Tuesday and state election officials reported a ''heavy black turnout in urban areas ... heavier than in the primary.''

''We did everything we could in the primary, and that wasn't enough,'' said Young. ''So we buckled down, we worked harder, we prayed. We leave it to the Lord and the people.''

Regardless of the outcome, Young said race had not been a key factor in the campaign. Instead, he attributed Miller's strong support to a well-financed and organized campaign.

''I have not found this was a backward, racist state that was not ready to receive a black candidate,'' said Young, who generated controversy by his refusal to offer a handshake while on the campaign trail.

Waiting in the wings for the November election is the Republican nominee, state Rep. Johnny Isakson. But the odds against him are long since the state has not had a GOP governor for 122 years.

While the Georgia showdown was the top race of the day, primaries also were held in three other states.

The top races included:

-Michigan: Gov. James Blanchard and Sen. Carl Levin, both running for third terms, were unopposed in the Democratic primary. State Senate Majority Leader John Engler was favored to win the Republican gubernatorial nod, while Rep. William Schuette was expected to capture the GOP Senate nomination. Also, Detroit Councilwoman Barbara-Rose Collins was expected to win a Democratic primary to succeed retiring Rep. George Crockett.

-Kansas: The prime race was Republican Gov. Mike Hayden's battle to win nomination for a second term. Polls gave conflicting signals whether Hayden or real estate executive Nestor Wiegand was favored.

-Missouri: With no Senate or gubernatorial primaries, attention was on a handful of races in the state's congressional districts, but no incumbents appeared to be in danger.

Since he began his race in Georgia, Young's effort to become the first black elected governor in the Deep South was considered an uphill task.

After Democrat Douglas Wilder became the nation's only black governor last year with a win in Virginia, analysts wondered whether Young would be able to duplicate the feat in the Deep South.

However, Young has been criticized for not approaching the race with enough fire and has had difficulty stimulating substantial support among black voters.

State political analysts had estimated that in order to win, Young would need to pull about 95 percent of the black vote and more than one-quarter of the white vote. But exit polls showed that in the July 17 primary, Young's black support was only near 80 percent in some areas.

In addition to that problem, Miller, who heavily outspent Young, was able to stake out a popular position early in the race - promoting a state lottery to pay for educational changes.

He also made a strong law-and-order pitch, promoting the establishment of boot camps for first-time criminal offenders, while attacking Young for being mayor of Atlanta at a time when crime rose in the city.

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IRVINE, Calif. (AUG. 7) UPI - Howard Ruff said Tuesday he has been fired as president and chief executive officer of troubled FundAmerica Inc., a week after assuming the job and promising to reform the discount buying club.

Ruff, the financial iconoclast who had revealed last week that FundAmerica had paid $17 million to founder Robert T. Edwards, blamed his ouster on the revelation about Edwards, who is facing criminal fraud charges in Florida.

''I believe I was sacked because I was honest,'' Ruff said. ''I was sacked because I revealed true but damaging information about Bob Edwards.''

Ruff was named July 30 to replace Edwards as president and chief executive officer. He also said that FundAmerica plans to file for Chapter 11 banruptcy protection.

Officials at FundAmerica, based in Irvine, were not immediately available for comment.

Ruff, the Utah-based publisher of the ''Ruff Times'' newsletter, said he was informed Monday that he had been fired late Sunday at a previously unannounced shareholders meeting.

Ruff, who made his name predicting a financial collapse was imminent, had said last week that he and unnamed associates were negotiating to acquire the stock of FundAmerica, which is designed to obtain cash rebates for its members.

But Florida officials have charged membership dues from new investors are used to pay bonuses to existing members.

On Monday, a federal judge in San Francisco barred the sale of memberships in FundAmerica and continued a freeze on an estimated $17 million in the company's bank accounts.

The actions by U.S. District Judge Marilyn Hall Patel arose from a class-action lawsuit filed against FundAmerica by some of its investors, who are seeking more than $150 million in damages on behalf of its 100,000 members.

Ruff had announced last week that FundAmerica would stop selling memberships, Ruff spokesman Goerge Duggan said.

FundAmerica claims to offer its members cash rebates on bulk-purchased goods and services, such as catalog merchandise, travel services, long-distance telephone calls and bank credit cards.

But authorities contend the company, which does business in eight states, has no real product and exists solely as a pyramid scheme.

Texas state Attorney General Jim Mattox said Tuesday that in recent weeks some suppliers, such as Best Products Co., of Richmond, Va., and Maryland Bank NA, of Newark, Md., have stopped offering their products and services through FundAmerica.

MCI Communications Corp., the long-distance provider, has also notified FundAmerica that it plans to sever service to some 50,000 customers unless it receives immediate payment for services.

Mattox earlier forced FundAmerica, which has been dubbed the ''yuppie pyramid'' because of its mostly young and upscale clientele, to make substantial disclosures to Texas consumers about its marketing practices and services.

Edwards, the company's founder and former president, posted a $1 million bail on the Florida charge but cannot be located, said Mattox.

The attorney general said Edwards reportedly fled the country after taking some $17 million from the company's bank accounts during the past nine months.

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#90219u2476 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (AUG. 7) UPI - The European Community outlawed all trade with Iraq and Kuwait, the Council of Ministers said Tuesday.

''There is no need for an oil embargo as this set of rules which the EC agreed upon covers all trade,'' European Commission spokesman Willy Helin told reporters late Tuesday after the meeting of ambassadors of the 12 EC member states.

The official statement said that ''from Aug. 7, 1990 it is forbidden to either import any product that is originating or on its way from Iraq or Kuwait or export toward those countries any product that originates from the Community.''

The U.N. Security Council voted Monday to direct all 158 member states to impose an embargo on Iraq and occupied Kuwait in an effort to pressure Iraq to withdraw its troops from the oil-rich emirate, which it invaded Thursday.

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#90219u2506 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
MONTREAL (AUG. 8) UPI - Canadian Pacific Tuesday reported second-quarter earnings of $86.4 million, or 27 cents a share, down 25 percent from $115.9 million, or 37 cents a share, in the year-ago period. Revenues edged up to $2.27 billion compared with $2.26 billion in the second quarter of 1990.

For the first six months, CP reported earnings of $151.1 million, or 48 cents a share, compared with $229.8 million, or 72 cents a share, in 1989. Revenues slipped to $4.47 billion from $4.49 billion a year earlier.

CP said the biggest drop came from its forest products division which reported earnings of $7.7 million in the first six months, down from $93.4 million in 1989.

The earnings drop reflected weak market conditions, reduced volumes and prices for market pulp and led to production cutbacks at several forest product plants, CP said.

The company said its energy division - oil and gas, and coal interests - also reported decreased earnings. But CP's transportation and waste services divisions reported strong gains during the first half.

CP is diversified company with a number of subsidiaries, including Soo Line Corp., CP Ships, Laidlaw Inc., Fording Coal Ltd., and Canadian Pacific Forest Products Ltd.

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#90219u2511 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 7) UPI - Defense sources say President Bush today ordered combat aircraft and several thousand U-S ground troops to Saudi Arabia. The sources report that the soldiers are meant to help Saudi forces defend bases against a possible Iraqi attack. Members of the 82nd Airborne at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, are said to be preparing to leave as early as tonight. The White House woN'T comment... but congressional leaders praise the move.

Last week's Iraqi invasion of Kuwait sent more ripples through world markets today. The New York Stock Exchange dipped slightly... with the Dow Jones industrial average down about six points. In Japan, the blue-chip Nikkei Average plunged more than 900 points- more than three percent. But prices rebounded on most European stock exchanges. Stocks benefited from reports Iraq might let foreigners in Kuwait leave the country.

Turkey says it is cutting off the flow of oil from two Iraqi pipelines that cross its territory. A semi-official news agency quotes the state minister saying NO loading will be allowed at the pipelines' terminal at

the Mediterranean coast. The Iraqi government yesteday shut off one of the lines and reduced the other... apparently because of reduced demand. Turkey's move is part of a U-N-endorsed embargo on trade with Iraq.

Hurricane Diana slammed ashore along Mexico's Gulf Coast late today near Tuxpan. Diana was upgraded from a tropical storm this morning. The storm is threatening villages at the foot of the eastern Sierra Madre mountains with 85 mile-an-hour winds and up to 10 inches of rain. Officials say the main threat to life will be rising waters on the coast and heavy rains producing flash floods and mudslides inland.

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#90219u2519 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - Colombia today swore in a new president, who vowed to fight cocaine cartels with everything he's got. Economist Cesar Gaviria declared that he will confront the drug trade withOUT concessions... calling it the ''principal threat'' to Colombia's democracy. Vice President Quayle attended the ceremony in Bogota and called on Gaviria to continue extraditing drug suspects to the United States.

NASA managers today canceled a fueling test for the shuttle Columbia. Officials say the decision puts the repaired spaceship on track for launch sometime between September 1st and 5th... barring further problems. Engineers at Florida's Kennedy Space Center plan to haul Columbia to the launch pad tomorrow for final preparations before the craft takes off on its long-delayed astronomy mission.

Two Spokane, Washington, men jailed for refusing to stand in respect for a judge were back in court today pursuing their civil rights lawsuit. Robert Newmeyer and Glenn Braunstein claim their rights were violated in 1988 when both were cited for contempt after failing to heed the ''all rise'' call by the bailiff. Both men say they frequent courtrooms as observers. When the judge entered the courtroom to begin today's proceedings, Newmeyer and Braunstein again stood out- by NOT standing.

The results of a poll of leading hairstylists and colorists was released today and entertainer Madonna and first lady Barbara Bush head the list. But while the national organization of coiffure experts put Madonna number one on its ''Great Hair-Women'' list, the first lady was given the ignominous distinction of topping the ''Awful Hair-Women'' category. Put another way, the poll says Madonna's locks ''make your head turn''... while Mrs. Bush's curls ''make your stomach turn.''

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#90219u2726 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - The deployment of American warplanes and troops to Saudi

Arabia apparently has begun. They are being sent to defend against a possible attack by Iraq. Witnesses report F-15 fighter jets departing Langley Air Force Base in Virginia. The planes were equipped with exterior fuel tanks... indicating an extended trip overseas.

U-S defense officials say paratroopers of the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, are leaving tonight and will be in Saudi Arabia tomorrow morning. In Morehead City... 100 miles east of Fort Bragg... some 25-hundred Marines from Camp LeJeune set sail for the Mediterranean.

The Bush administration reportly has obtained landing rights from the Saudis for 14 Air Force Fbombers... now in Turkey... that could be used to bomb Iraq, refuel and pick up more bombs.

The Gulf Coast of Mexico is being pummeled by the 100-mile-an-hour winds and torrential rains of Hurricane Diana. The storm moved ashore this afternoon near Tuxpan... hitting with greater force than anticipated. Flooding and property damage is reported, but authorities say NO deaths have been reported.

A Liberian rebel leader may have gotten his wish of international intervention in his country's seven-month-old civil war. Seven African nations agreed today to send a peace-keeping force to Liberia after rebel leader Prince Johnson threatened to attack the U-S Embassy in Monrovia to force such intervention.

The polls have closed in Georgia, where former Atlanta mayor Andrew Young faces an uphill battle to become the state's first black governor. Lieutenant governor Zell Miller is favored to win the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in the run-off made necessary when Miller and Young captured the top two spots in the July 17th primary.

While the Georgia showdown was the top race of the day, primaries also were held in Michigan, Missouri and Kansas... where the prime race was Republican Governor Mike Hayden's battle to win nomination for a second term.

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#90219u2729 08/07/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 7) UPI - California authorities say 17 people were injured when a freak windstorm hit the usually serene Napa Valley today... slamming four giant hot air ballons to the ground. Three people were hospitalized, one in serious condition.

Tragedy struck an inter-island yacht race in Hawaii early today when one of the entries- a Japanese yacht with an all-woman crew- apparently hit

a reef off Molokai and sank. One crewmember drowned. The others were rescued.

Christian Brando, the oldest son of actor Marlon Brando, pleaded innocent today in a Santa Monica, California, courtroom to murdering the lover of his pregnant half-sister last May. The judge set bail for Brando at 10-Million dollars- believed to be the highest ever set in Los Angeles County.

Researchers at the University of Washington in Seattle say antibiotics taken after sex appear to be just as effective as daily doses of the medication for women prone to urinary tract infections. The results are reported in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

A Beaverton, Oregon, company says the government has approved its request to begin human testing of a saliva-based AIDS test. Officials for Epitope say the decision represents the F-D-A's first approved clinical study of a saliva-based test for the deadly disease.

Navy officials in Key West, Florida, have deployed a fleet of wood chunks to test whether endangered turtle hatchlings would drift into a weapons test site in the Gulf of Mexico. Spokesman Dan Probert says they're also considering using fruit in the test. He says navel oranges would be ''most appropriate.''

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#90219u2757 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 8) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

(late games not included)

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Pittsburgh	63	43	.594	-	30-17	33-26	7-3	W-2
New York	61	44	.581	1 1/2	35-16	26-28	5-5	L-3
Montreal	55	53	.509	9	30-23	25-30	2-8	L-5
Philadel.	51	55	.481	12	26-28	25-27	3-7	L-2
Chicago	52	57	.477	12 1/2	27-28	25-29	8-2	W-3
St. Louis	50	60	.455	15	27-32	23-28	6-4	L-1
West								
Cincinnati	63	44	.589	-	33-17	30-27	4-6	W-2
San Fran.	58	50	.537	5 1/2	31-24	27-26	6-4	L-2
Los Angeles	54	53	.505	9	32-24	22-29	5-5	L-1
San Diego	49	58	.458	14	28-30	21-28	6-4	W-1
Houston	48	61	.440	16	34-21	14-40	7-3	W-5
Atlanta	40	66	.377	22 1/2	22-30	18-36	1-9	L-6

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#90219u2819 08/07/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 7) UPI - After several days of talking tough about Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, President Bush took action today while remaining publicly silent. Defense sources say the president has ordered several thousand troops to Saudi Arabia to defend bases against a possible Iraqi attack. Bush is expected to make a formal announcement tomorrow morning... after the ground forces and combat planes have reached their destinations.

Andrew Young's bid to become Georgia's first black governor fell short in today's runoff for the Democratic nomination. With votes in half the precincts counted, the former Atlanta mayor and U-N ambassador lost to lieutenant governor Zell Miller by a margin of 68 to 32 percent. Miller now faces Republican state Representative Johnny Isakson and Libertarian Carol Ann Rand in November to determine who will succeed retiring Democratic Governor Joe Frank Harris.

Mexico's Gulf Coast is feeling the wrath of Hurricane Diana. The National Weather Service in Miami reports that the eye of the storm moved onshore this afternoon... bringing with it 100-mile-an-hour winds and torrential rains. Sea levels rose seven feet and rains flooded highways and rivers. There were NO reports of people killed or missing, but hundreds of homes were damaged.

Seven African countries agreed today to send a peace-keeping force to Liberia. The countries bowed to the demands of Prince Johnson, the Liberian rebel leader who threatened to attack the U-S embassy in the capital of Monrovia to provoke international intervention in his country's civil war. Johnson is holding an American and at least seven other foreigners hostage and says he will NOT release the captives until the peace-keeping forces arrives.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Mercury General Corp., a major California automobile insurer, reported Wednesday that net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $20.2 million, or $1.50 per share, compared with $9.7 million, or 72 cents per share, reported a year ago.

Results for the first six months of 1990 include a provision for potential rate refunds under Proposition 103, the California insurance initiative enacted in November 1988, of $6.8 million. This includes $500,000 of interest recorded in the second quarter. That provision reduced earnings for the full six months by 33 cents per share.

Earnings in the first half of 1989 were reduced by 55 cents per share as

the result of an $11.3 million provision for potential rate refunds, all of which was recorded in the second quarter. Per-share results in both periods are based on 13,505,000 outstanding shares.

Net income in the second quarter was $12.3 million, or 91 cents per share. In the 1989 second quarter, a loss of 5 cents per share was reported principally as a result of the $11.3 million provision for potential rate refunds which reduced earnings for that period by 55 cents per share.

The company's reserve for potential Proposition 103 rate refunds totaled $21.8 million at June 30, 1990. Except for accrual of interest in the second quarter, which impacted earnings in the period by 2 cents per share the reserve was unchanged from the level recorded at March 31, 1990.

Proposition 103 substantially revised the California insurance code and mandated a 20 percent rate rollback for policies issued or renewed during the period Nov. 9, 1988, to Nov. 8, 1989. The proposition was upheld in part by the California Supreme Court in May 1989. The court held that premium refunds could not be imposed if they produced less than a ''fair return'' to the insurance company.

The issue of ''fair return'' has been the subject of extensive, so-called ''generic'' hearings, now concluded, conducted by an administrative law judge who issued his recommended decision to the California Insurance Commissioner on May 7, 1990.

The commissioner, in a decision issued on June 12, 1990, and amended on June 15, 1990, adopted the principal elements of the ''fair return'' standards recommended by the administrative law judge applicable to the prior approval of rates subsequent to the conclusion of the rollback period, November 1988 to November 1989.

With respect to the rollback period, however, the commissioner departed significantly from the recommended decision and adopted a number of positions, including a fair return standard of 11.2 percent on actual statutory surplus for leveraged companies such as Mercury, which are unsupported by the weight of evidence developed in the ''generic'' hearings.

It is management's opinion that the record developed in those hearings, together with the recommended decision of the administrative law judge, supports the company's position that its profits during the rollback period were not in excess of the ''fair return'' standard imposed by the California Supreme Court. The company intends to contest vigorously any order or argument to the contrary.

If the commissioner's amended decision were upheld in its entirety and the company were unable to obtain some variance from its effect, the company's

potential refund liability could approximate $37 million.

Management believes, however, that the reserve of $21.8 million established for the potential impact of refund liability is a reasonable estimate and is adequate as of June 30, 1990, to reflect any probable adverse court determination.

The company's earnings subsequent to the rollback period, i.e., 1990 year-to-date results, appear to be near the upper limits of the allowable range of returns, which are also subject to potential refund, as defined in the prior approval portion of the commissioner's amended decision.

Premiums earned in the second quarter increased by 3 percent to $119.7 million. Underwriting results in the quarter were sharply improved over the year-earlier period.

The combined ratio (GAAP basis), computed without respect to potential rate refund provisions, was 97.2 percent, compared with 105.9 percent in 1989. For the full six months, the combined ratio was 97.6 percent, compared with 102.7 percent a year earlier.

Investment income in the quarter increased 20 percent to $12.5 million. After taxes at an effective rate of 16 percent in 1990, and 9 percent in 1989, investment income per share was 77 cents, compared with 70 cents a year ago. For the full six months, investment income was $24.8 million, a year-to-year increase of 23 percent.

Apart from the refund provisions, the year-to-year improvement in after-tax net results for the six months was 44 percent.

Capital gains in the first half of 1990 contributed 1 cent per share to net results, compared with 3 cents a year earlier.

Total assets at June 30, 1990, were $705.3 million, and shareholders' equity, net of the potential refund liability, was $191.5 million, or $14.18 per share.

On Aug. 3, 1990, the company's board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share to be paid on Oct. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990.

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RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - On Aug. 7, 1990, the board of

directors of Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. (NASDAQ: HRHC) declared a quarterly cash dividend of 7 cents per share, payable on Sept. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Sept. 14, 1990.

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. provides insurance agency services to a wide variety of clients through its network of wholly owned subsidiaries which operate 38 insurance agencies in 15 states and the District of Columbia. The company is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol HRHC.

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DALLAS (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Atmos Energy Corp. (NYSE:ATO) Wednesday announced that William M.(Bill) Quackenbush would retire from its board of directors effective Sept. 1, 1990.

Quackenbush has served on the board since February 1984.

In making Wednesday's announcement, Charles K. Vaughan, Atmos chairman, said, ''Bill is an astute businessman and his knowledge of the oil and gas industry has been a great asset to our company and its shareholders. Although his retirement comes at a normally anticipated time, Bill will be greatly missed.''

Quackenbush, an independent petroleum geologist in Amarillo, has been involved in evaluating, generating and participating as a non-operating working interest owner in oil and gas prospects within Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Kansas.

Atmos Energy Corp. provides natural gas service to more than one-half million customers in Texas, Louisiana and Kentucky through its operating companies - Energas Co., Trans Louisiana Gas Co. and Western Kentucky Gas Co.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Decision Systems, a leader in defense and commercial applications of artificial intelligence (AI), is pleased to announce that Mike Kaul has been promoted to vice president.

Kaul holds a masters degree in systems management from the University of Southern California and worked previously as director of advanced technology applications for the BDM Corp. This promotion comes in recognition of Kaul's strong contributions as chief operating officer.

Founded in 1979, the company has enjoyed consistent growth in revenue and in staff related to its efforts in AI applications and research.

Revenues reached approximately $17.5 million in 1989, with continued growth projected for 1990. The company currently has 175 employees, most of whom work in the Mountain View headquarters. A second office in Arlington, Va., has grown quickly this year and now has 30 full-time staff.

Advanced Decision Systems conducts basic and applied research, prototype system development, applications consulting, custom system development, and product development in the areas of artificial intelligence, estimation and control systems, and decision theory for clients in the public and private sectors.

The employee-owned company is the largest independent supplier of AI services to the federal government.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint announced Wednesday that it has reached an agreement with South Central Bell Telephone Co. and Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co. to provide a complementary 800 service, to simplify the ordering, billing and maintenance of 800 services in the Southeastern United States.

The agreement will allow customers in the BellSouth region to choose US Sprint as their interLATA 800 service carrier and the BellSouth Companies as their intraLATA carriers and order the full service through these companies.

Under the agreement, US Sprint can carry the interLATA 800 calls that reach outside the service boundary of the BellSouth Companies. The BellSouth Companies will transport intraLATA 800 calls. The service will utilize the recently deployed BellSouth Signalling System 7 Technology to provide this dynamic capability.

This is the second agreement of this kind for US Sprint. In November 1989 the company teamed with Pacific Bell to market complementary 800 service.

The California Service introduction has been remarkably successful. The service allows customers the convenience of ''one-stop'' shopping.

''This is another step towards providing customers the opportunity to make a choice,'' said Ron LeMay, president of US Sprint. ''Technology has opened the door for customers to have the freedom to tailor their 800 service and not be subjected to administrative policies which have long prevented flexibility between customers' marketing desires and their choice of long distance carriers.''

Long distance 800 service has been provided under an interim arrangement since 1987 that gives exclusive rights of NXX numbers (the three digits following the ''800'') to competing long-distance companies. Under the interim arrangement, customers desiring to change long distance carriers had to change their 800 number, thus preventing true competition in the market.

Now because of changing technology and regulations, companies such as the BellSouth Companies may utilize centrally located databases with the ability to process all 800 numbers, allowing customers to choose their 800 service carriers while retaining their 800 number. The provision of this service will begin when the BellSouth Companies have filed and received approval of appropriate tariffs.

''The agreement between US Sprint and BellSouth marks another step forward in the industry's progress toward a competitive 800 service market,'' said Brian Twomey, director of product management for US Sprint. ''The bottom line is that the customer will benefit from these types of agreements in terms of convenience and efficiencies.''

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City, Mo.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Wednesday announced a network enhancement that dynamically impacts the international telecommunications market, providing a platform for Signaling System 7 (SS7) on US Sprint's international DMS-300 switches.

The company has completed installation of Northern Telecom's SuperNode central processing unit which performs computing functions for call processing and system control.

US Sprint has installed the upgrade in its international switches at New York, Stockton, Calif. and Honolulu, Hawaii. Last September US Sprint announced the completion of a nationwide SuperNode upgrade on its 41 Northern Telecom domestic DMS-250 switches.

On the threshold of innovative dimensions, US Sprint is leveraging its nationwide all digital fiber-optic network with advanced intelligent network architecture enhancements to provide evolving technologies for voice and data products of the '90s.

''With the implementation of SuperNode and SS7 on their DMS-300 systems, US Sprint has taken a major stride toward transparent global networking,'' said Lou Lafferty, vice president, US Sprint account, Northern Telecom Inc.

Implementing the DMS-300 SuperNode involved replacing Northern's NT40 16-bit central processing unit with a new high performance 32-bit microprocessor.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City, Mo.

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SOLANA BEACH, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Chart House Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:CHT) announced the opening of three new Chart House restaurants located in Greenwich, Connecticut; Alexandria, Virginia and Cohasset, Massachusetts.

This brings the 1990 openings to six with a seventh restaurant due to open in Scottsdale, Arizona in October.

Paradise Bakery Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the company announced the opening of two new retail bakeries in Southern California. Seven more units are projected to open by year-end.

The company also announced the consummation of a long-term debt financing with Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. The transaction involved the issuance to Metropolitan Life of a 10.40 percent Senior Secured Note due 2000 in the amount of $15 million. The company applied the proceeds to reduce borrowings under its bank credit line.

Chart House Enterprises Inc. operates 83 restaurants, including 64 Chart

Houses, one Peohe's, 15 Paradise Bakeries and three Cork 'N Cleavers. The company's restaurants are located in 20 states, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. In addition, the company's franchisees operate 13 Paradise Bakeries in Northern California, Colorado, Arizona, Oklahoma and Oregon.

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - An 8.3 percent sales increase for Budweiser, along with the continuing growth of Bud Light and Bud Dry Draft drove Anheuser-Busch to the highest July sales performance in the company's 138-year history, it was announced by Patrick T. Stokes, president of Anheuser-Busch Inc.

''Our strategy behind the Budweiser brand is working,'' said Stokes. ''The trends for the brand are positive and, with the continuing growth of Bud Light and Bud Dry Draft, we have a competitive triple threat going into the 1990s.''

In July, Anheuser-Busch recorded a 15.6 percent companywide sales increase compared to July of 1989. July year-to-date, Anheuser-Busch experienced a 6.7 percent increase in sales, significantly outperforming the U.S. brewing industry overall, which grew at the rate of only about 1 percent during the same period.

Bud Light experienced a 14.9 percent increase in July compared to the same period in 1989. And Bud Dry Draft, which was introduced nationally in April, has sold more than 1.5 million barrels through July.

''The strong performance of Budweiser in July is important,'' Stokes said, ''because it brings the brand to a year-to-date position which is equal to its 1989 performance. We've held Budweiser sales steady despite a strong increase from Bud Light and the successful introduction of Bud Dry. The trend for the Budweiser family of brands is extremely positive.''

A variety of factors have contributed to Budweiser's performance, said Stokes.

''Our new 'Nothing Beats a Bud' summer promotion has been received enthusiastically by both retailers and consumers,'' he said. ''And our decision to meet our competitors' discounted prices has returned Budweiser to a level playing field where it clearly can compete very effectively.''

The Budweiser family of brands -- Budweiser, Bud Light and Bud Dry Draft

-- represents approximately one-third of all beer sales in the United States. Budweiser, which alone outsells the combined barrelage of the next largest U.S. brewer, accounts for more than one of every four beers purchased in America.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Alan V. Kaufman, president of Sandwich Chef Inc. (NASDAQ:SHEF), Wednesday reported increased sales and earnings for the fourth quarter and year ended June 30, 1990.

In addition, it was announced that the board of directors declared a three-for-two stock split. The stock split will be effected in the form of a 50 percent stock dividend. The new shares will be distributed on Sept. 7, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Aug. 20, 1990.

Fiscal 1990 revenues increased 9.3 percent to $37.4 million, up from $34.2 million recorded in fiscal 1989. Net earnings for the year increased over threefold to $629,400, compared with $208,900 in fiscal 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share increased 200 percent to 60 cents per share, compared with earnings of 20 cents in fiscal 1989.

Net sales for the fourth quarter increased 8.6 percent to $9.8 million, compared with sales of $9.0 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Net earnings rose by 38.8 percent to $236,000, compared with $170,100 in the same period last year. Fully diluted earnings per share increased 37.5 percent to $.22 per share compared with 16 cents per share in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

''Our earnings improved dramatically in fiscal 1990 as a result of our focusing on the development of larger units,'' stated Kaufman. ''This was achieved even though the number of operating units decreased. The 20 stores opened in fiscal 1990 are among the most profitable to date. During fiscal 1990, we continued our program of upgrading units, opening new units and closing units that did not meet our profit expectations.

''We closed or sold 29 units during the year, virtually eliminating the smaller and under-performing stores. We believe our existing store base is now the strongest in our company's history.

''With the close of fiscal 1989, we marked our tenth consecutive quarterly improvement in same store sales. Same stores sales increased 4.5 percent in the fourth quarter, largely due to higher sales in stores that we remodelled and to higher occupancy levels in many of the buildings in

which we have units,'' concluded Kaufman.

Sandwich Chef owns and operates a chain of 134 delicatessen-style sandwich shops in nine cities.

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PORTLAND, OR (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The Benj. Franklin Federal Savings and Loan Association reported a $9.7 million profit during the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, increasing year-to-date earnings to $14.5 million.

Earnings for the first six months included a gain on sales of assets of $9.6 million.

The Benj. Franklin was placed into conservatorship Feb. 21, 1990, by the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC) because it had a negative tangible net worth and did not meet new industry capital rules passed by Congress last year.

RTC initiated a major write down of assets and other adjustments in fourth quarter 1989 in accordance with new regulatory and accounting requirements including the write-off of goodwill remaining from prior acquisitions. This restructuring has significantly benefited earnings.

Leland R. ''Rocky'' Johnson, Benj. Franklin executive vice president, said ''The institution's performance during this period of transition is testimony to the tremendous amount of support we have received from our customers and our highly committed staff.''

RTC is seeking a purchaser for The Benj. Franklin and has found significant interest. All parties bidding on The Benj. Franklin must be prequalified and meet certain financial and legal requirements. RTC has set an objective of finalizing the sale of The Benj. Franklin by Sept. 30, 1990.

In preparation for sale, RTC continues to restructure The Benj. Franklin by selling assets and repaying debt. The restructuring has reduced total assets to $3.8 billion as of June 30, compared to $4.7 billion six months earlier.

Deposits remain federally insured up to $100,000 and customers have full access to their funds through the date of sale and after.

The Benj. Franklin is the largest savings and loan headquartered in Oregon

with 88 branch offices in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Utah.

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BOSTON (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - cc:Mail Inc., the industry's leading provider of Local Area Network (LAN)-based distributed electronic mail (E-mail) systems, announced Wednesday at MACWORLD Expo that Martin Marietta Corp. has standardized on cc:Mail as its enterprise-wide E-mail system.

This announcement follows a comprehensive product evaluation performed by Martin Marietta. Products from 11 E-mail vendors were initially considered by the 90-person E-mail evaluation team. From that group, four vendors were chosen to participate in a rigorous nine month, multisite pilot program.

Based on superior connectivity, performance and overall product quality, cc:Mail emerged as the E-mail vendor of choice.

Martin Marietta's search for an enterprise-wide LAN-based E-mail solution followed an in-depth internal study of the company's electronic communication patterns. The 1988 Office Systems Survey conducted by their Computing Standards unit found that ''more than 40 percent of communications (at Martin Marietta) is within a department.''

According to Alan Soucy, manager of Computing Standards for Martin Marietta, Information Systems Group, ''Our study clearly indicated that our flow of information at Martin Marietta was moving into the local communications environment. As a result, we concluded that our strategic mail direction should be LAN-based with strong connectivity to our existing mainframe systems.''

As a premier Apple corporate account, Martin Marietta carefully tested all E-mail vendors' capabilities in the Macintosh arena during the selection process. ''Since roughly 50 percent of our LAN-based mailboxes would be MAC-based, we were intent on finding an E-mail vendor whose multi-platform line included a strong Mac offering,'' stated Soucy.

cc:Mail Inc. is a privately held developer and marketer of a variety of E-mail and other LAN software office automation products for Fortune 1,000 companies, large government agencies and eductional institutions.

The company's E-mail system runs on all major LANs and workstation platforms and provides transparent connectivity (gateways) to other major E-mail systems and to Group 3 facsimile machines worldwide.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Unitrin's (NASDAQ/NMS:UNIT) board of directors announced Wednesday that it has declared an initial quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share payable to its shareholders of record as of Aug. 21.

The dividend will be paid to shareholders on Sept. 5.

Unitrin Inc. is engaged in life and accident and health insurance through United Insurance Co. of America and its subsidiaries; property and liability insurance through Trinity Universal Insurance Co. and its subsidiaries; and the thrift and loan businesses through Fireside Thrift Co.

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SHREVEPORT, LA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Arkla Inc.'s (NYSE:ALG) board of directors Wednesday declared cash dividends as follows:

Common Stock	Twenty-Seven Cents ($0.27) per share
Preferred Stock	Seventy-five Cents ($0.75) per share

Both payable Sept. 14, 1990, to record owners Aug. 22, 1990.

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Scott Mundy, 318/429-385.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Zero Corp. (NYSE/PSE:ZRO) Wednesday announced a program under which it will repurchase up to 400,000 shares of its common stock in open-market transactions.

The shares will be used to satisfy requirements of the company's stock option plan and for other corporate purposes.

Zero is a leading supplier of cases, cabinets and cooling equipment supplied primarily to the electronics industry and of cargo enclosures for airborne cargo and baggage. Its consumer, industrial and commercial cases are marketed under the Zero Halliburton and Anvil names.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Voicemail International Inc. (VOICEMAIL) Wednesday announced that it has expanaded its VOICEMAIL II system to 256 ports and increased the message storage capacity of its system product line.

The capacity of the VOICEMAIL II system has been expanded to support 256 ports with 1,000 hours of storage, making it the most powerful single-node system available today.

Like all VOICEMAIL systems, the VOICEMAIL II can simultaneously integrate with multiple external host systems -- PBXs, Centrex or computers -- to support multiple voice processing applications from a single platform.

The VOICEMAIL I system, which is designed to operate in a business office environment and can support from eight to 24 ports, has now been upgraded to provide up to 70 hours of message storgae.

''VOICEMAIL's increasing system capabilities will position the company to meet the foreseeable requirements of telecommunication service providers, universities and large corporations as voice processing applications continue gaining acceptance as a tool to increase revenues, improve customer support and streamline communication,'' said James M. Thompson, VOICEMAIL's vice president of sales and marketing.

VOICEMAIL is a publicly held company that markets voice processing services and systems worldwide. The company's proprietary, patented VOICEMAIL systems allow callers to record and retrieve natural voice messages and information from any telephone.

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ANAHEIM, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Inland Bancorp (NASDAQ: PIBC) Wednesday reported financial results for its 1990 second quarter and first six months, ended June 30, 1990.

For the second quarter, the Bancorp reported net income of $71,200, or 6 cents per share, including a net operating loss carryforward of $24,103, or 2 cents per share. The company reported net income of $184,143, or 13 cents per share, including a net operating loss carryforward of $78,700, or 6 cents per share, for the second quarter of 1989.

For the first six months of fiscal 1990, the Bancorp reported net income of $129,055, or 10 cents per share, including a net operating loss carryforward of $47,903, or 4 cents per share. The company had net income of $424,483, or 29 cents per share, including a net operating loss carryforward of $186,200, or 13 cents per share, for the first half of 1989.

PIBC's banking subsidiary, Pacific Inland Bank, reported an operating profit of $202,000 for the quarter, compared with an operating profit of $258,000 for the prior-year period. Pacific Inland Bank's 1990 second-quarter operating profit was reduced $22,000 by losses associated with PIB Mortgage Co., a newly created mortgage banking subsidiary of the bank.

The Bancorp's asset management subsidiary, Trident Investment Management Inc., reported an operating loss of $59,000 for the quarter, compared with a loss of $19,000 for the second quarter of 1989.

Pacific Inland Bancorp is comprised of Pacific Inland Bank, a business and professional bank based in Anaheim and Trident Investment Management Inc., a registered investment advisor.

Pacific Inland Bancorp's common stock is traded over the counter. It is listed on NASDAQ as PIBC, and in newspapers as PACINLD or Pac Inland Bk.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Current

Income Shares Inc. (NYSE:CUR) Wednesday voted unanimously to declare a quarterly dividend of 27.5 cents per share payable on Sept. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record Aug. 31, 1990.

Current Income Shares is a closed-end bond investment company managed by Union Bank.

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Richard E. Grayson, 213/236-7096.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 8) BIZWIRE - The board of directors of Unitrin Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:UNIT) has authorized the repurchase of up to 5 million shares of its common stock in the open market or in negotiated transactions.

The stock will be purchased from time to time depending on market conditions, availability of funds and other considerations.

Unitrin currently has approximately 55.4 million common shares outstanding.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America's M.L. (Larry) Greenberg, head of its Asia commercial banking activities, has been named an executive vice president by the bank's board of directors.

Greenberg, 52, has been with Bank of America for 23 years, 18 of them in Asia. He has been responsible for commercial banking products and relationships in Asian countries since February, and reports to the bank's Asia Division Executive Vice President, John V. Rindlaub, in Hong Kong.

''Larry's personal understanding of Asia's cultures and banking environments, and his extensive customer relationships in the region, add to the stregth of our operations here,'' said Rindlaub.

Greenberg joined Bank of America in 1960 as a trainee, later serving as an administrative officer responsible for credit extensions to South and Southeast Asian banks and corporations.

In 1964, he was assigned to Bombay, where he helped open the bank's first Indian branch. Two years later he moved to Calcutta as senior credit officer to help open a branch there, and, in 1969, was named manager of

that branch.

Greenberg was appointed vice president and general manager of the bank's Thailand operations in 1972. He moved to the bank's New York Edge Act Office in 1975, with responsibility for developing its international business.

Greenberg left the bank temporarily in 1976 to head American Express International Banking Corp.'s Asia network and later served as chief executive officer of a San Francisco bank.

He returned to Bank of America in 1983 to manage its Taiwan activities. He was named senior vice president and manager of the Tokyo-based Japan/Korea area in 1986.

In 1988, he was named area manager of its East Asian Area activities, the position he held prior to assuming his current responsibilities in Hong Kong.

Born in Philadelphia and raised in Japan, Greenberg holds a BA degree from Claremont-McKenna College in California and has completed Harvard University's Advanced Management Program.

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LOUISVILLE, CO (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Storage Technology Corp. said Wednesday it has adopted a new, ten-year shareholder rights plan to replace its existing one-year plan which expires Aug. 31, 1990.

The plan is designed to deter coercive or unfair takeover tactics and to prevent an acquirer from gaining control of the company without offering a fair price to all of the company's shareholders. The company said the plan has not been adopted in response to any offer to acquire control of the company and that it is not aware of any such offer.

The new plan takes effect Aug. 31, 1990 and expires Aug. 31, 2000. It is substantially the same as the plan it replaces. Differences include a higher exercise price ($150 as opposed to $35) and a revised ownership "flip-in" provision which lowers the triggering threshold to 15 percent from 25 percent.

Storage Technology Corp. manufactures, markets and services, worldwide, information storage and retrieval subsystems for high-performance computers.

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Financial Savings Bank (NASDAQ:WSTF) Wednesday announced an offering of $150 million of automobile receivable collateralized bonds by its wholly owned subsidiary, Western Financial Auto Loans 2 Inc.

With this latest announcement the bank has now offered 11 auto bond issues totaling over $1.3 billion over the past four years. Stephen W. Prough, bank president, said the amount is indicative of the continuing demand for automobiles and light trucks in the California market.

The bank historically has done a significant portion of its business in automobile financing, both purchasing motor-vehicle sales contracts from new-car dealers and providing loans directly to consumers from its statewide branch network.

The newest bonds, Series 1990-A, due Oct. 1, 1995, have a coupon-rate of 8.35 percent, and were priced at 75 basis points over the two-year treasury to yield 8.51 percent. The average rate of the pool of receivables collateralizing the bond issue is approximately 16.05 percent.

Western Financial is the principal subsidiary of Westcorp Inc. (ASE:WES), a diversified financial-services company. Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette is sole manager of the offering which includes a guarantee of timely interest payment and of ultimate payment of the principal provided by Financial Security Assurance Inc.

This guarantee ensures the bonds will be rated in the highest category by at least one nationally recognized rating agency.

Western Financial Savings Bank operates 24 retail bank branches, 10 real estate loan offices and 5 automobile finance centers throughout California. The bank also offers consumer-finance services across the state through Westcorp Financial Services, a wholly owned subsidiary with 27 offices.

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CARSON, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Dynasty Classics Corp. (NASDAQ:DNST) Monday reported net earnings from operations of $352,000, or 5 cents per share, for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This represents a 78 percent increase over net earnings of $198,000, or 3 cents per share, for the second quarter 1989.

Net sales for the second quarter 1990 increased to $15,053,000, compared with $13,837,000, for the same period in 1989.

Dynasty Classics markets home decor products principally through major retailers. The company designs, imports, manufactures and distributes decorative and fixtured lighting, Christmas lighting and accessories and comfort products under the brand names Dynasty Classics, South Coast and Holiday Classics.

The company's customers include warehouse clubs, major nationals, home centers and, to a lesser extent, mass merchandisers, catalog retailers and hardware cooperatives.

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REDMOND, WA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - A new combination of ingredients will hit the menu board when America's favorite quick-service restaurant and America's number-one video game company -- McDonald's and Nintendo of America Inc. -- team up for a national ''Super Mario Bros. 3'' Happy Meal promotion.

The ''Super Mario Bros. 3'' Happy Meal will be available in all participating McDonald's restaurants from Wednesday, Aug. 8. Customers who purchase the Mario Happy Meal will receive one of four toys based on characters in the popular Nintendo video game ''Super Mario Bros. 3.''

''The Nintendo/McDonald's promotion represents our first major tie-in with a quick-service restaurant,'' said Peter Main, Nintendo's vice president of marketing, ''and responds to the incredible popularity of Mario, this country's number-one video game hero.''

''This is a great opportunity,'' said David Green, McDonald's vice president of national marketing, ''to bring the fun of Nintendo to the more than 18 million U.S. customers of McDonald's restaurants, particularly since Mario and McDonald's have such strong appeal to the entire family.''

Nearly 30 million games in the ''Super Mario Bros.'' series have been sold since the nationwide introduction of the Nintendo Entertainment System in the fall of 1986. The latest in the series, ''Super Mario Bros. 3,'' is projected to be the largest-selling video game in history, with sales of 9 million game paks expected in 1990 alone, representing retail revenues of $450 million.

Nintendo is supporting the ''Super Mario Bros. 3'' game with more than $10 million in television advertising and merchandising support -- in more than 12,000 retail outlets -- throughout the second half of the year.

Redmond-based Nintendo of America Inc. sells personal, home and arcade video games in the United States. The company is the headquarters for marketing in North America and is the largest subsidiary of the world's largest manufacturer and marketer of video games, Nintendo Company Ltd.

McDonald's is the world's leading food-service organization, serving 22 million people each day in more than 11,200 restaurants in 52 countries. Seventy-five percent of McDonald's restaurant businesses are locally owned and operated by independent entrepreneurs.

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STANFORD, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Franklin Ebaugh Jr., chief of staff at the Palo Alto Veterans Affairs Medical Center since 1972, died Tuesday, Aug. 7, at his Stanford home after a long illness. He was 68.

Ebaugh had been on medical leave since July 10 and had recently stepped down from his position as associate dean for VA affairs and professor of medicine at Stanford University School of Medicine.

''Frank did an outstanding job during his long tenure at the PA VAMC, and he was widely recognized as perhaps the most outstanding chief of staff in the entire VA system,'' said Dr. David Korn, vice president and dean of the Stanford University School of Medicine.

''He was of enormous assistance to me as dean, and he was positively heroic in holding together our diverse VA academic programs in the aftermath of the Loma Prieta earthquake. He surely will be missed.

''He has made significant contributions to the Palo Alto VA Medical Center in the past 18 years,'' said James C. DeNiro, director of the VA center. ''His commanding presence, intelligent leadership and belief in the VA health care system will be missed.''

Ebaugh was well-known throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs and had testified before Congress. He had been pushing for congressional funding to replace the medical center buildings damaged by the earthquake last Oct. 17.

''Dr. Ebaugh has been a positive force for the betterment of health care for veterans,'' said Robert Lindsey Jr., director of the VA's Western Regional Office. ''As a mentor and leader, his qualities of persistence, generosity and willingness to break new ground have left us with a benchmark in management.''

Ebaugh graduated magna cum laude from Dartmouth College in 1944 and received his M.D. from Cornell Medical College in 1946. He did his medical internship and hematology residency at New York Hospital. After positions as research associate and member of the U.S. Public Health Service, he worked as associate director of laboratories in Hitchcock Clinic and Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital in Hanover, N.H.

He became dean of the Boston University School of Medicine in 1964. Four years later, he became dean of the University of Utah School of Medicine, where he remained until he came to the Palo Alto VAMC.

A colonel in the Army Reserves, Ebaugh recently received two of the highest honors awarded by the Department of Veterans Affairs: the Chief Medical Director's Commendation and the Secretary's Distinguished Physician Award.

He was also honored for his contributions to Stanford University, including being named ''Advisor of the Year'' in 1987. Korn has announced a faculty award will be presented annually at commencement in Ebaugh's name. It will honor a faculty member who has demonstrated outstanding dedication to advising medical students.

Ebaugh is survived by his mother and three daughters.

Before his death, Ebaugh had requested that memorials be donations to the Palo Alto VAMC Child Care Fund, made through the Community Foundation of Santa Clara County, 960 West Hedding, Suite 220, San Jose, Calif., 95126.

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GRANDVIEW, Mo. (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - North American Savings Bank announced Wednesday net earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $953,267, or 42 cents per share.

This compares to net income of $430,162, or 27 cents per share, for the same period in the prior year.

The nine-month period ended June 30, 1990 reflects a net loss of $1,155,777, or 59 cents per share. This compares to a net income of $1,365,478, or 85 cents per share, for the same period in 1989. The loan loss provision for the three quarters in 1990 was $3,190,944 and for the comparable period in 1989 was $874,411. North American exceeds the current and fully phased-in capital requirements.

Following the end of the quarter, North American received approval from its stockholders to change its name from North American Savings Association to North American Savings Bank. This change was made to more accurately reflect the business generally being conducted by North American.

The bank's stock is traded on the NASDAQ over-the-counter exchange under the symbol NASB.

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KANSAS CITY, MO - (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - At their regular meeting on Aug. 8, 1990, the board of directors of BMA Corporation (BMAC) approved several actions:

- declared a regular quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share payable Sept. 14 to stockholders of record Sept. 11;

- declared a one-time, special dividend of $3.70 per share payable Sept. 14 to stockholders of record Sept. 11;

- elected James R. Seward - senior vice president

- elected Beth S. Hall - secretary, in addition to her current position as senior vice president.

- elected Steven K. Fitzwater - vice president, treasurer, assistant

secretary and chief accounting officer.

W. Thomas Grant, president and chief executive officer of BMA Corp. said, ''We are pleased that BMA Corp. stockholders are able to directly share in the value of the recent sale of BMAC's insurance subsidiary with the payment of the special dividend of $3.70 and the regular quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share, for a total of $4 per share.

''In a news release on July 31, we also confirmed board authorization of $70 million for BMAC to enter the market from time to time, for the purpose of acquiring shares of BMAC and/or Home Office Reference Laboratory (HORL) shares. Of the $70 million, up to but not in excess of $20 million may be utilized for repurchase of HORL stock.

''Although the sale of insurance operations will be booked in the third quarter, financial data regarding the estimated $35 million after-tax gain from the transaction will be included when the second quarter earnings are released next week.''

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 8) - Pacific Telesis Group announced the government of East Germany has asked Mannesmann Mobilfunk, a consortium in which Telesis holds a 26 percent interest, to submit a proposal to extend its D2 cellular service into the German Democratic Republic.

Last week the telecommunications ministers of East and West Germany announced their intention to make such an offer; Mannesmann Mobilfunk received the official invitation Wednesday, Aug. 8.

Terms of the invitation specify that Mannesmann Mobilfunk must submit a proposal by the end of November 1990.

Mannesmann Mobilfunk is currently building the world's largest digital cellular system in West Germany, known as D2. This will compete with the government-owned D1 system which will also be extended into East Germany. Mannesmann Mobilfunk won the West German D2 license in December 1989 through competitive bidding with nine other international consortia.

It expects to begin offering service in the summer of 1991.

According to Lee Cox, president and chief executive officer of PacTel Corp., the holding company for Telesis' diversified companies, ''We are pleased that Mannesmann Mobilfunk was the only group the East German

government approached for a cellular proposal and we're confident it will submit a plan fully responsive to East Germany's needs.

If our consortium is granted this license, its German D2 system would cover a total of 77 million potential customers (POPs). Telesis' share of these would equal 20 million POPs.''

Pacific Telesis Group is a worldwide diversified telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

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ZURICH, SWITZERLAND (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Switzerland's leading firms in the field of advertising and public relations -- the GGK Group and the Trimedia Group respectively -- have signed a basic agreement to form a partnership.

The resulting consolidated communications group will have an annual gross income exceeding $88 million. Through its 29 offices in 20 countries and total staff of more than 850, it will be well placed for the single European market.

GGK and Trimedia agreed to complete all major legal, organizational and financial aspects of the partnership before the end of the year. ''Our common goal is to keep the well-established identities of GGK as advertising experts and Trimedia as public relations and financial communications experts, giving our clients the best of both worlds,'' stressed Paul Gredinger.

Further information about the new partnership structure will be released as soon as all the necessary detailed agreements have been signed.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - SJNB Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:SJNB), holding company for San Jose National Bank, San Jose, and Tri-Valley National Bank, Dublin, reported net income of $294,000, or 18 cents per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $1,024,000, or 64 cents per share, for the like period in 1989. The per-share amounts have been adjusted for the 10 percent stock dividend declared in March of 1990.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company posted net earnings of $539,000, or 33 cents per share, as compared with a net loss of $658,000, or 41 cents per share, for the first six months of 1989.

The company's total consolidated assets at June 30, 1990, were $104 million, as compared with $107 million at the same date in 1989. Total consolidated loans grew to $74 million at June 30, 1990, from $68 million in 1989, while consolidated deposits decreased from $92 million at June 30 1989 to $89 million at June 30, 1990.

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SEATTLE (AUG.) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Washington Energy Co. Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend of 34 cents a share on the $5.00 par value common stock, payable Sept. 10, 1990, to holders of record as of Aug. 24, 1990.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Cipher Data Products Inc. Wednesday announced that its business conditions have stabilized and that interest in the company's latest products and engineering developments should lead to improved revenue growth during the next 12 months.

The company, a subsidiary of Archive Corp., had previously been feeling the effects of a negative business environment within the minicomputer systems market.

Cipher President Craig V. Turner said: ''Cipher has placed focused emphasis on product development and marketing over the last several months.'' Recently, the company announced the addition of an embedded SCSI (Small Computer Systems Interface) on its F880 Microstreamer, thereby improving reliability while reducing cost and saving space in the industry's best-selling phase-encoded tape drive.

''We are very pleased with the marketplace reaction to our F880ES drive,''

Turner continued. ''Both Digital Equipment Corp. and Datapoint are taking volume deliveries of the drive and, most recently, Olivetti has accepted the product as well.''

Turner added that the company was also beginning to see positive results from recent marketing efforts: ''Within the last three months, Denmark's R.C. International, a division of I.C.L. in the United Kingdom, has accepted our 3830 half-inch cartridge drive and ROCC in the United Kingdom has qualified our M995 low-profile GCR CacheTape drive.

''In the United States, Dickens Data, which is another long-term Cipher customer, has qualified both the F880ES and the M995. The M995 is also part of the $16 million contract with DEC, which we announced earlier in the year.''

The company expects that its future growth, however, will come mainly from an anticipated product to be introduced in early fall.

''We are already seeing a great amount of interest in our 3480-compatible half-inch cartridge drive,'' Turner noted. ''The OEMs with whom we have spoken are impressed with the product's performance and capability. This tape drive will be significantly less expensive and offer more exciting attributes than its nearest competitors. Those are very persuasive selling points.

''We are convinced that 1991 will be a very strong year for Cipher and its new half-inch 3480-compatible drive. As a result of this new product, as well as the refinements we have made within our existing product line and our increased marketing activity, we expect Cipher to enjoy a period of growth and expansion over the next 12 months.''

Cipher Data Products Inc., an Archive company, is a leading designer/manufacturer of half-inch tape drives. More than 260,000 drives have been shipped by the company for use with systems ranging from personal computers to mainframes. Cipher markets its products through a worldwide network of direct sales offices, leading distributors, value-added resellers and system integrators.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America's board of directors has named Sheryl L. Bartolucci, director of its World Banking Group Human Resources, a senior vice president. Bartolucci, 47, has been responsible for providing human resources services for the World Banking Group's domestic and international operations and several of its

subsidiaries since June. She reports to Vice Chairman Lewis W. Coleman, head of the World Banking Group.

Coleman said Bartolucci's strong corporate management and entrepreneurial skills are an excellent match for the varied human resources needs of the international marketplace. Bartolucci joined the bank in 1989 as head of Human Resources Planning and Development in Corporate Human Resources. In addition to managing her own consulting firm for three years, Bartolucci had also been a senior vice president in human resources for Crocker Bank in San Francisco and Los Angeles for seven years. Bartolucci received a BA in political science and psychology from the University of California, Los Angeles, in 1965, and served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Peru in 1966 and 1967.

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SACRAMENTO, CALIF. (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The Association of California Life Insurance Companies (ACLIC) Wednesday called for the enactment of guaranty fund legislation to protect policyholders from losses due to an insurance company insolvency.

ACLIC, representing 39 California life insurers, called for the passage of AB 4076 (Johnston), which sets up a state guaranty fund to provide coverage for insurance contract obligations. California is one of only six states without a life guaranty fund.

''Although our industry remains very healthy, we recognize the concern that policyholders be protected in the event of a company insolvency. They aren't now and this should be changed,'' ACLIC President Brad Wenger told members of the Senate Insurance Claims and Corporations Committee Wednesday.

''Under this legislation, 80 percent of contracts are covered, up to $250,000 for death benefits and $100,000 in cash values. With these limits, we are providing a safety net to life and annuity policyholders in case of an insolvency, but we avoid covering every failure of every company.''

''We don't want to guarantee investors a risk-free return nor force responsible companies to fully bail out irresponsible ones. At the same time, we must provide security for the innocent policyholder most in need of coverage. This legislation strikes that balance.''

''Insurance purchasers, insurers and regulators all have a stake in sound

marketplace and regulatory decisions. This legislation will motivate the California Department of Insurance to maintain strong regulatory controls and motivate insurance buyers to make informed marketplace decisions.''

In most states, industry contributions to the guaranty fund are offset against state taxes. California's fund will be paid for by company assessments, but without the tax offset. ''We firmly believe tax offsets provide the best system of coverage, but recognize the need to move forward with a California fund at this time,'' Wenger said.

The California law will apply to California residents only and will be used to pay claims after an insolvency.

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NEWBURY PARK, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - HOH Water Technology Corp. (NASDAQ:HOHI/HOHIU/HOHIW) Wednesday announced that it has delivered the first products to roll off its Puerto Rico subsidiary's production line -- High Purity (TM) water systems capable of producing up to 15 gallons per day of ultrapure water (greater than one megohm-cm resistivity) from tap water with minimal pretreatment.

According to the announcement made by HOH President James E. Cruver, water processing steps in the High Purity system include filtration, carbon adsorption, reverse osmosis, deionization, and ultraviolet light disinfection.

Cruver said that the first 300 units were sold to Health Distillers International Inc., a Puerto Rico-based distributor of water treatment systems with whom HOH is currently negotiating an agreement for certain exclusive marketing territories.

Cruver added that HOH has already received additional orders for High Purity systems, as well as for less-costly standard versions of its reverse osmosis system. The family of systems and models are available in configurations that range in end-user price from approximately $400 to approximately $1,100 per unit.

All feature high salt rejection, enhanced product flow, reduced wastewater volume and an uncomplicated construction to facilitate installation and

service.

''As our marketing reach expands, we expect to quickly attain sales levels of 1,000 units per month and to add new geographic regions to our distribution network,'' Cruver said. ''We already have orders from distributors in several states, and we are responding daily to new-dealer inquiries.'' He emphasized that dealer inquiries are invited, and that dealers should contact the company at 805/499-0507.

The company's principal technology -- the patented Electropure electrodeionization (EDI) water desalination system -- is now in pre-production field testing and showing excellent results. The first Electropure unit, scheduled to be marketed in late fall 1990, will be a point-of-use version designed to provide up to 720 gallons per day of high-purity water.

HOH Water Technology is engaged in the development and supply of a breakthrough line of water filtration and treatment systems for residential, commercial and industrial water treatment.

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MIDDLETWON, PA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - CareerCom Corp. (NYSE:CCM) Wednesday reported results for the three months and nine months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1990 declined to $28,999,000 from $36,077,000 in the comparable period of fiscal year 1989.
As a result of the substantial decline in revenue, the company posted a net loss in the third quarter of fiscal 1990 of $2,253,000 or 22 cents per share, compared with net income of $301,000 or 3 cents per share in the third quarter of fiscal 1989.

Revenues for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 decreased to $105,599,000 from $109,259,000 in the comparable period of fiscal year 1989. Net income for the period was $475,000 or 5 cents per share, compared with $561,000, or 5 cents per share in the first nine months of fiscal year 1989.

Revenues and net income in the most recent fiscal quarter were adversely affected by a 49.6 percent year-to-year decrease (from approximately 2,139 to approximately 1,078) in average enrollments in the company's Truck Driver Training Schools.

The Truck Driver program represents approximately 33 percent of tuition and fee revenue, and at historical enrollment levels, constituted the most profitable program offered by the company.

The enrollment decline in the Truck Driver Training Schools was attributable primarily to changes in available federal financial aid for students attending programs in that division.

However, earlier this year, CareerCom implemented an improved program curriculum intended to respond to changes in industry requirements and for which student funding is more readily available. As a result, enrollments in the Truck Schools, while still below the 2,750 average enrollment level achieved in December 1989, have more than tripled from their low point of 590 in March 1990.

Company results were also adversely affected by an 8.2 percent decrease in average enrollments in the company's other schools between the third quarter of fiscal year 1989 and the third quarter of fiscal year 1990.

CareerCom Corp. is a leading owner and operator of career training institutes located throughout North America. The company currently maintains 72 accredited, post-secondary schools offering programs of study in a variety of career-oriented disciplines.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - MERET Optical Communications Inc. has promoted Staphen J. Madigan to the position of executive vice president and general manager.

Madigan will assume responsibility for research and development, engineering, quality, manufacturing operations and program management.

Madigan recently joined MERET in May 1990 as vice president of program management. Madigan has accumulated over 20 years of experience in the microelectronics industry with companies such as Raytheon, TRW, General Instrument, NARDA Microwave, Semtech, CTI, ILC Data Device and PCO, playing key roles in manufacturing, engineering, strategic planning and the implementation of new facilities.

''Madigan's knowledge of the industry along with his excellent management

and decision-making abilities prompted us to make this choice,'' said Walter Menetrey, MERET's chief executive officer. ''His leadership will expedite the growth in which MERET is headed.''

Madigan will be establishing organizational goals, implementing interdepartmental systems and controls, as well as recommending and implementing strategic development and expansion requirements.

Madigan is a charter member of the International Society of Hybrid Manufacturers.

Established in 1972, MERET recently became a wholly owned subsidiary of Amoco Technology Co., part of the Amoco Corp.

MERET designs, manufactures and distributes fiber-optic video and data communications systems for a wide variety of military and commercial applications, such as high-resolution computer graphics; medical imaging; HDTV; teleconferencing; flight simulation; industrial automation and control; military communications, C3I and CCTV.

MERET specializes in wideband analog fiber-optic systems and has developed a sophisticated variety of modulation schemes, components and custom-designed hybrid electronics to satisfy almost any system requirement.

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WATSONVILLE, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - David H. Watts, president and chief executive officer, announced that Granite Construction Inc.'s (NASDAQ, NMS:GCCO) second quarter revenue was $138.7 million, an increase of $21.0 million (17.8 percent) over the second quarter of 1989.

Granite's second quarter net income rose 34.9 percent to $5.9 million, or 53 cents per share, as compared to net income of $4.4 million, or 44 cents per share, in the second quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, revenue was $226.5 million, or 22.2 percent higher than the $185.3 million for the like period last year. The increase is primarily due to higher backlog of ongoing work, and successful settlement of contract claims and change orders on completed

jobs.

Net income increased $2.6 million (110.2 percent increase) to $5.0 million or 47 cents per share. The improvement in net income is the result of increased revenues, improved gross profit margin (0.4 percent increase to 12.6 percent), and lower general and administrative expenses as a percent of revenue.

Backlog at June 30 reached an all time high of $454.3 million, a $43.4 million (10.6 percent) increase over the like period last year, and $76.8 million (20.3 percent) over Dec. 31, 1989. New business awarded of $236.6 million in the second quarter of 1990 included the previously announced City of Dallas Cole Park Detention Vault ($28.1 million) and Las Vegas McCarran International Airport ($33.8 million) and also included California Department of Transportation highway contracts, other public works jobs and private subdivision site development work.

Granite Construction Inc. is one of the largest heavy construction contractors in the United States. Granite operates throughout the United States, focusing primarily in the west and southwest, and serves both public and private sector clients. The company concentrates on infrastructure projects, including the construction of roads, highways, bridges, dams, tunnels, canals, rapid transit facilities, airports and site preparation for buildings, plants, subdivisions and other facilities.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Jay Gottlieb, president of The Computer Factory (NYSE:CFA), informed analysts this morning of the company's plans to restructure its retail operations. ''We have entered into a strategic repositioning of our retail operations which will require the consolidation of some of our smaller less profitable branch locations into larger and more efficient Superstores,'' he said. ''We intend to open up four of these 20,000-to-30,000 square foot units over the next nine months. The units, equivalent to about a 3 stores-into-one consolidation, will offer customers a significantly broader range of products.''

''We will obviously be gradually reducing our overall total number of stores. Contributing to that reduction will be the sale or closing down of certain other outlets over the next two years. It is important to note that we will maintain our presence in all of our current key markets,'' he emphasized.

In commenting on Computer Factory's just released third quarter results,

Mr. Gottlieb noted that one of the adverse factors affecting the company's performance was an inventory clearance sale held in May. ''Our margins were hurt by that sale'' he said. ''We established a reserve in the second quarter to cover anticipated losses from the liquidation of this inventory. In determining the reserve, we underestimated the sales value of the inventory.'' He also pointed out that a $4,000,000 pre-tax reserve was established to cover the expenses associated with the consolidation.

The Computer Factory had reported operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990, prior to the analyst meeting. Net sales for the third quarter rose to $83,895,000 from the $81,971,000 reported for the same period of the prior year. Net loss from operations amounted to $4,733,000, or 55 cents per share. In addition, a one-time charge of $2,600,000 (net of tax benefit), or 30 cents per share, brought the net loss to $7,333,000, or 85 cents per share. This loss compares to net income of $82,000, or one cent per share, for the previous year's third quarter. Net sales for the first nine months rose seven percent to $297,688,000 from the $279,076,000 reported for the same period of fiscal 1989. Net loss for the fiscal 1990 nine month period was $10,428,000, or $1.21 per share, as compared to a net income of $6,496,000, or 73 cents per share, for the fiscal 1989 nine months.

The Computer Factory is engaged in the sale and service of personal computers, business computer systems, peripherals, computer software, training and computer networking through its network of company-owned stores.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - ILC Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:ILCT) reported earnings from continuing operations of $419,000, or 19 cents per share, for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to income from continuing operations of $449,000, or 20 cents per share, for the comparable period last year.

Sales were $6.5 million, 9 percent higher than sales in the third quarter a year ago. After taking into account the net loss on disposition of assets from discontinued operations, the net loss was $413,000, or 19 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $367,000, or 17 cents per share for the prior year's quarter.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, income from continuing operations was $1,057,000, or 46 cents per share, compared to $1,076,000, or 49 cents per share, for the nine months ended June 30, 1989.

Sales for the current nine months were $17.5 million, a 6 percent increase over the prior year. Net income, after taking into account the results of discontinued operations, including embezzlement recoveries, was $1,125,000, or 49 cents per share, for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 compared to a net loss of $791,000, or 36 cents per share, for the prior year's nine months.

As previously announced, the company closed the sale of the UDT Components and Opto Hybrids Groups, Akra Tool Inc. and the UDT Instrument Group in the quarter ended June 30, 1990. Due to post-closing adjustments and expenses incurred related to the divestitures, a pretax loss of $1.1 million was realized on the disposition of net assets from discontinued operations. This loss is included in the results of operations for the quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990.

On Aug. 2, 1990, the company signed a letter of intent for the sale of substantially all of the assets of Scientific Spectrum Inc., a manufacturers' representative for the laser and electro-optics industries. It is anticipated that this transaction will be completed by the end of the company's fiscal year.

ILC manufactures high performance light sources used in laser excitation, fiber optics illumination, spacecraft lighting and film set lighting applications worldwide.

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NEW ELLENTON, SC (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Roscoe Walker, president of Environmental Monitoring & Testing Corp. (NASDAQ:EMON), announced that third quarter revenue was $846,751 vs. $721,622 for the like period in 1989.

Walker stated the quarter showed a loss of $55,857 of which $21,518 represented a non-recurring loss on sale of equipment vs. net income of $17,151 for the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months total revenue was $2,314,814 with net loss of $228,144 vs. $1,935,297 and profits of $99,377 for the like period in 1989.

As announced earlier, the backlog is presently in excess of $5 million as compared to $900,000 backlog a year ago. Walker stated, ''Most all the

company's rigs are in operation and we expect a very strong fourth quarter with revenue in excess of $1.2 million and profits in excess of $250,000.''

As was previously reported, the company discontinued operations of the pump business and closed two unprofitable divisions which resulted in approximately a 30 percent savings on general and administrative expenses. As a result, the company experienced profitable operations in the month of June with revenue of $324,000 and a profit of $17,500.

Environmental Monitoring & Testing is engaged in the business of drilling, primarily for the purpose of environmental monitoring and testing. EMON is listed on NASDAQ (over the counter).

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WILMINGTON, MASS. (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Altron Inc. (NASDAQ:ALRN) announced that it has entered into a multiyear agreement with Motorola, Inc., to supply complete backpanel and card cage assemblies for Motorola's latest cellular telephone systems.

Altron is currently the major backplane supplier for Motorola's present system, and the agreement further expands the two companies' partnership.

This agreement is a major success for Altron's recent expansion of its backplane product line to include card cages and other system packaging components. Altron is currently negotiating design proposals with several other major users of these products. The company expects this new capability will add $7,000,000 to $10,000,000 per year in sales within the next two to three years.

Altron recently reported sales of $27,178,000 and earnings of $875,000 or 26 cents per share for the first six months of 1990.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Effective Wednesday, Altera Corp. announced that it intends to withdraw its registration statement for a proposed stock offering, due to unfavorable market conditions.

On July 16, 1990, Altera Corp. announced that it had filed a registration

statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in conjunction with the company's proposed sale of 2.5 million shares of its common stock. At the time of the filing, the price of the company's stock was 13-3/4.

Subsequent to the filing of its registration statement, equity market conditions for technology stocks declined significantly, making the prospects for the company's offering much less favorable. As a result, Altera has requested that the SEC withdraw the registration statement.

Altera Corp., the inventor of the erasable programmable logic device (EPLD), was founded in 1983 and is the market leader in high-performance, high-density user configurable integrated circuits and associated computer aided engineering (CAE) software development tools. Altera common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System using the symbol ALTR.

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ORLANDO, FLA. (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Laser Photonics Inc. (NASDAQ:LAZR) Wednesday announced results for the periods ended June 30.

Sales for the three months ended June 30, declined to $1,836,000, as compared to last year's sales for the comparable period of $3,428,000. A net loss of $(1,218,000) or (33 cents) per share was reported for the second quarter, as compared to net income of $104,000 or 2 cents per share for the second quarter last year.

Sales for the six months ended June 30, declined to $4,587,000, as compared to last year's sales for the like period of $7,087,000. A net loss of $(1,770,000) or (50 cents) per share was reported for the six months ended June 30, 1990, as compared to net income of $484,000, or 11 cents per share for the comparable period in 1989.

Commenting on the results, Mark T. Fukuhara, president and chief executive officer stated, ''While the financial results for the second quarter are worse than we anticipated, they do not reflect the improvement in our long-range business opportunities. We are finally seeing orders resulting from efforts put forth during the past six months.

''While the order rate is still not as strong as 1988, orders for the second half of 1990 are approaching 1989 levels. New orders are from a diversified group of customers rather than predominantly from one large OEM, and we anticipate that sales will continue to strengthen through 1991.''

In August we were able to make significant reductions in employees and overhead expenses through the consolidation of our California operations. We believe that the anticipated increase in sales, combined with reduced expenses, will allow us to achieve income from operations for the third and fourth quarters of 1990 and return to reasonable profitability in 1991.

Laser Photonics Inc., designs, manufactures, and markets solid-state and gas laser systems and other peripheral equipment for applications in medical and scientific markets.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Piiceon, a Fortune 1000 third-party memory manufacturer, Wednesday introduced a 2MB memory module for the Toshiba T1600 portable computer.

This is in addition to Piiceon's 2MB modules for the Toshiba T3100e, T3200SX, T5200, and T8500. All memory modules are ready for immediate delivery.

Suggested listed price for the T1600 2MB memory is $945.00.

The Toshiba T1600 portable computer is currently one of the world's best selling portable computers, and Piiceon expects the demand for additional memory to be quite strong.

''Toshiba is leading the pack in the laptop arena,'' stated John Chess, Piiceon's vice president of sales and marketing. ''By adding T1600 memory to our line of Toshiba compatible memory, Piiceon is furthering its commitment to the Toshiba marketplace.''

Piiceon's memory boards are competitively priced, are identical to Toshiba's technical specifications, and include a five-year warranty. They are designed, manufactured and tested in-house using state-of-the-art manufacturing technology and stringent quality control procedures.

Piiceon, Inc. is the largest subsidiary in Dynatech Corp.'s speciality computer and broadcast group. Dynatech (NASDAQ: DYTC), a Fortune 1000 company, was named one of the 101 best performing companies in America by Chicago's Probus Publishing.

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MURRYSVILLE, PA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - RESPIRONICS, INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol:RESP) Wednesday announced record sales and net income for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales for the fourth quarter were $7,748,000, an increase of 61% over net sales of $4,798,000 recorded in the comparable quarter last year. Net income increased 61% to $822,000, or $0.23 per share, from $510,000, or $0.15 per share, reported in the quarter ended June 30, 1989. Per share results for the fourth quarters ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 have been adjusted to reflect the 2 for 1 stock split effected in June 1990.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, net sales increased 37% to $23,009,000 compared to $16,843,000 reported for the year ended June 30, 1989. Net income was $2,155,000, or $0.62 per share, an increase of 63% over net income of $1,320,000, or $0.39 per share, for the year ended June 30, 1989. Per share results for the fiscal years ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 have been adjusted to reflect the 2 for 1 stock split effected in June 1990.

RESPIRONICS INC. designs, develops, manufactures and sells respiratory medical products for use in the home, hospitals and in emergency medical situations.

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PHOENIX, AZ (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Frontier Adjusters of America Inc. (NASDAQ:FRON), one of the largest and fastest growing insurance adjusting networks in the United States, Wednesday announced a special dividend of 1 cent per share.

The special dividend will be payable Sept. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 20, 1990. It is the second special dividend declared since June, when the company paid a special one-half cent dividend. Frontier also pays a regular quarterly dividend of 1 cent. The company

said the 1 cent special dividend and regular 1 cent dividend will be paid together in one check.

Frontier president and chief executive officer William J. Rocke said the board of directors declared the special dividend in response to the company's overall growth and financial strength.

''Frontier Adjusters enjoyed an excellent year in fiscal 1990,'' said Rocke. ''Revenue and earnings continued to trend upwards and our nationwide network of offices grew to more than 400 locations. As always our special dividend is a way of rewarding our many loyal shareholders.''

Through nine months of fiscal 1990 Frontier reported record net income of $509,931, or 12 cents per share, on record revenue of $2,787,873. Unaudited fourth quarter results were strong as well and the company expects to announce record year-end results later in August.

In addition to its more than 400 locations in the United States and Canada Frontier operates company owned adjusting businesses in Arizona and Oregon.

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WILMINGTON, MA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Ernest W. Lattanzi, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Kevlin Microwave Corporation (NASDAQ National Market System:KVLM) Wednesday announced that James J. Connolly and Carmine Vittoria, Ph.D. have been elected to the Company's Board of Directors, bringing the total to seven members.

The new directors fill the vacancies on the Board resulting from the resignation of former president, E.J. Simmons in March of this year and the death of outside director Bernard Plansky last fall.

James J. Connolly, age 53, is Chief Operating Officer of Technical Communications Corp., based in Concord, Massachusetts, a company engaged in communications security systems. From 1980 until 1989, Mr. Connolly had held senior level positions with Adams-Russell Company, Inc., resigning as Senior Vice President prior to its merger with MA/COM.

Connolly started his career as a research engineer with Philco Corporation in 1958, after receiving a masters degree in mathematics from Villanova

University. He served as President of two companies, Inter Computer Electronics and Computer Product Service and Research. Between 1975 and 1980, Connolly was with Sanders Associates as Director of Development - Federal Systems Group. He has published a number of technical papers in the field of radar detection and as well as in related subjects.

Vittoria, age 49, is a professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Boston's Northeastern University. Before that, he had spent 20 years in government service as a consultant and/or on staff at the Naval Research Laboratory, Hanscom Air Force Base and Army Materials Technology Laboratory. A fellow of the IEEE and American Physical Society, Dr. Vittoria's research has been published extensively and he is a frequent speaker at technical meetings.

Vittoria received a Ph.D. in solid state physics from Yale University in 1970 after completing his masters and bachelors in electrical enegineering from Toledo University.

Commenting, Mr. Lattanzi, stated, ''Each of our two new directors brings to our Company superior qualifications and valuable experience. We welcome them both.''

Kevlin Microwave Corporation is a leading supplier of microwave rotary couplers and high frequency connectors and components which are sold to the major manufacturers of modern radar and communications systems.

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BOSTON (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Informix Software Inc. (NASDAQ:IFMX) announced Wednesday that it has signed an agreement with The Du Pont Co. that will enable Du Pont to market and sell Informix's database management software products for Du Pont's MacBLITZ co-computer.

The combination of Du Pont's MacBLITZ and Informix's DBMS products gives Apple Macintosh users a powerful UNIX-based information management system solution.

MacBLITZ is the first co-computer for the Apple Macintosh. It uses reduced instruction set computing (RISC) technology to combine UNIX and Macintosh processing power through the Macintosh graphical user interface

(GUI).

Through the agreement, Du Pont will offer its MacBLITZ customers Informix's complete line of relational database management system software including Informix-OnLine, the first database engine to combine fault tolerant online transaction processing performance with multimedia capabilities.

With OnLine, MacBLITZ users can integrate information objects such as word processing documents, graphs, scanned and digitized images, facsimiles and voice into an SQL-based relational database on their Macintosh.

When installed in a Macintosh, Du Pont's board-mounted MacBLITZ co-computer adds new levels of performance, speed and functionality to both Macintosh- and UNIX-based applications.

Du Pont will offer MacBLITZ customers Informix's complete line of application development tools in addition to the Informix-OnLine engine.

These tools include the Informix-4GL family of fourth generation programming tools that dramatically reduce application development time; Informix-SQL, a menu-driven relational database management system; and the Informix-ESQL family of development tools for embedding SQL into C, COBOL, and Ada programs.

Informix products also include Wingz, a leading graphical spreadsheet for multiple desktop platforms. The recently introduced Wingz-DataLink technology enables Macintosh users to access corporate data from an Informix SQL database on the MacBLITZ co-computer via the graphical environment of Wingz.

With Wingz-DataLink, Macintosh users can access data directly into a Wingz spreadsheet, or use the HyperScript programming language in Wingz to create a completely customized graphical database application.

Du Pont expects to ship the first MacBLITZ with Informix database software during the second half of 1990.

Informix Software Inc. is a leading supplier of information management software providing solutions from the database through the desktop.

Informix products include powerful distributed database management systems robust application development tools, and graphical- and character-based productivity software for delivering information to every significant desktop platform.

Headquartered in Menlo Park, Informix has a European headquarters in London and an Asia/Pacific headquarters in Singapore.

Du Pont is a diversified energy, chemicals and specialty products company with 1989 sales of $35 billion.

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GAITHERSBURG, MD. (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Genex Corp. (GNEX:NASDAQ) Wednesday announced the issuance of a broad U.S. patent protecting its single-chain antigen-binding (SCATM) protein technology.

SCA proteins are novel bioengineered molecules that have the potential of replacing antibodies in medical diagnosis and therapy, notably cancer detection and treatment.

The patent, No. 4,946,778, titled ''Single-Chain Polypeptide Binding Molecules,'' protects the genes, vectors, hosts and manufacturing methods necessary for producing SCA proteins.

In addition to cancer detection and treatment, which are among the world's foremost medical challenges, the potential applications of SCA proteins include the treatment of cardiovascular and certain infectious diseases, clinical diagnostics, and the practical use of catalytic antibody technology.

''The claims issued to Genex will dominate the whole industry. Companies wishing to make, use or sell genetically engineered SCA proteis will have to negotiate with Genex for the rights to do so,'' said Dr. Jorge Goldstein, biotechnology head of the Washington, D.C. patent law firm of Saidman, Sterne, Kessler and Goldstein.

Reed R. Prior, Genex president and chief executive, said, ''We believe that the worldwide market opportunity for SCA proteins in diagnosing and treating life-threatening diseases is enormous. Our patent position give Genex a strategic advantage over our competition. In order to commercialize this technology as quickly as possible, we plan to collaborate with corporate partners, replacing their monoclonal antibodies with our better performing SCA proteins.''

Monoclonal antibodies are laboratory versions of the body's defense proteins that target and bind to cancer cells, viruses, and other ''foreign enemies.'' SCA proteins provide the binding capabilities of monoclonal antibodies, but overcome many of their drawbacks and are only

one-sixth their size. Potential advantages of SCA proteins include lower immunogenicity, faster clearance from non-targeted tissues, less expensive production and the ability to engineer further improvements.

Dr. Richard Lerner, director of the Research Institute at Scripps Clinic in La Jolla, Calif. said, ''Genex has carried SCA proteins from an idea to a proven technology. The ability to manipulate the genetic code to produce a novel single-chain, antigen-binding protein patterned after a biologically active antibody is a major advance.''

Scientists at the National Cancer Institute (NCI) reported in the July 18 issue of the Journal of the National Cancer Institute successful in vivo targeting of cancer sites using a Genex SCA protein directed at human tumors transplanted into mice.

Dr. Jeffrey Schlom, chief of the tumor immunology and biology laboratory at the NCI, and co-author of the report said, ''Compared to monoclonal antibodies and antibody fragments, SCA proteins bind as effectively to tumors, are passed more quickly from the body, and reach optimal tumor-to-normal tissue ratios in hours instead of days and weeks. Our studies demonstrate that SCA molecules can now be seriously considered for clinical application.''

Genex previously was issued three patents on SCA protein design methods. Additional patents covering the SCA proteins, their uses and other related technology are pending in the U.S. and foreign countries.

Genex Corp. utilizes its proprietary expertise in protein engineering to design and produce specialized pharmaceuticals, surgical bioadhesives and other high value added healthcare products.

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BOSTON (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Group Technologies Inc. announced Wednesday at Macworld Expo the release of Aspects 1.0, its new, real-time document conferencing software for the Macintosh.

Aspects is the first simultaneous collaborative computing software program for Macintosh computers. It allows users of networked or modem-linked

Macintoshes to view, create and edit the same graphics and text documents simultaneously, regardless of any distance that may separate them.

Aspects is designed to enable geographically dispersed workgroups to visually and interactively communicate with each other quickly, clearly and inexpensively. It introduces an entirely new way to utilize the personal computer -- the creation of ''dynamic documents'' which instantly reflect the thinking of the workgroup.

This new concept in electronic group communications was inspired by the basis of human interaction: the free-flow of ideas.

''We want to give people the power to communicate visually with one another in much the same way they communicate verbally over the phone,'' said Reid Lewis, president of Group Technologies.

''That kind of interaction needs to be dynamic. Individuals need to be able to make visual suggestions that are as quickly and easily perceived as the verbal comments they currently make to one another using the telephone. That's why we developed the dynamic document.

Group Technologies was founded in August, 1988 in Arlington, Va. The company's mission is to improve workgroup communication through the use of computer and communication technology, bringing people and their ideas together more simply and completely than ever before.

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BOSTON (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - RasterOps Corp. (NASDAQ:ROPS), a leader in color imaging technology for Apple, Sun, Digital and IBM platforms, Wednesday announced the RasterOps 24S and 8S color graphics boards -- products that bring affordable 24-bit and 8-bit color to the Apple Macintosh II product family.

The 24S and 8S products, for Apple 13-inch and compatible monitors, support the Apple Block Mode Data Transfer standard for transferring large amounts of data across the Apple NuBus. Engineered to work in conjunction with the RasterOps Accelerator, which also supports the Apple standard, the boards provide Macintosh II users with up to a 600 percent

boost in performance.

The new RasterOps boards also utilize the company's surface-mount proprietary VLSI board design to increase product reliability by reducing the total number of components required and the heat generated by them.

''RasterOps is able to bring new generations of products to the Macintosh II quickly because of its custom chip-set technology,'' said John Barco, product manager at RasterOps. ''This provides the customer with the most advanced solution at a price-to-performance ratio unmatched in the industry.''

The 24S and 8S boards provide support for NTSC and PAL interlaced output -- when recording Macintosh graphics to videotape with the RasterOps Video Expander -- and will automatically switch to either frequency when using the required video cable. Hardware pan and zoom capabilities permit two, four or eight times screen enlargement and quick document panning.

The extended desktop feature creates an addressable window up to 2046-by-512 pixels, advantageous when working with large documents. Genlock capability, for locking to an external source, is also provided.

The 8S graphics board offers the same features as the 24S but provides an inexpensive initial color solution which can easily be upgraded to 24-bit True Color (16.7 million colors) with the RasterOps 8S Upgrade Kit.

The 24S and 8S boards were developed to complement the recently introduced large screen display systems, the RasterOps 24L and 8L. ''With the addition of the RasterOps 24S and 8S boards, we now have a complete line of small and large screen products compatible with our accelerator,'' said Barco.

The RasterOps 24S and 8S color graphic boards will be available in September 1990. The suggested retail price of the RasterOps 8S will be $695. The RasterOps 24S will be sold only as a bundle with the RasterOps Accelerator, at a suggested retail price of $1,195. The RasterOps Video Expander retails for $695, the Accelerator lists for $495.

RasterOps, with headquarters in Santa Clara, Calif., designs, manufactures and markets photorealistic color-imaging products for the graphic arts, printing, publishing and related industries. RasterOps is the only company that provides 24-bit color display products with live video-in-a-window capability for multiple manufacturers' platforms, including its own line of high-resolution monitors.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - URS Corp. (NYSE:URS) announced Wednesday that its board of directors has fixed Aug. 17, 1990 as the record date for determining the qualified shareholders entitled to receive nontransferable rights to purchase an aggregate of 800,000 common shares from the company at a price of $4.774 per share.

The term ''qualified shareholders'' means all holders of record of common shares at the close of business on Aug. 17, 1990, except entities managed or advised by Richard C. Blum & Associates Inc., Richard C. Blum, and, with respect to the common shares it acquired from the company on Feb. 21, 1990, Wells Fargo Bank N.A.

The company agreed to make this rights offering to qualified shareholders in connection with the restructuring of the capitalization of the company that was otherwise completed on Feb. 21, 1990.

Each qualified shareholder will receive rights to purchase the same proportion of the 800,000 common shares as the number of common shares held by such qualified shareholder on the record date bears to the total number of common shares held by all qualified shareholders on the record date (subject to downward adjustment to avoid the issuance of rights to purchase fractional common shares).

The proceeds of the offering will be used to repay outstanding indebtedness of the company to certain entities managed or advised by Richard C. Blum & Associates Inc. Any shares not purchased by qualified shareholders will be purchased for cash or cancellation of indebtedness by entities managed by Richard C. Blum & Associates Inc.

The company expects to mail prospectuses and rights, evidenced by nontransferable subscription certificates, to qualified shareholders on or about Aug. 20, 1990, subject to prior regulatory approval. The rights will be exercisable for 30 days after they are first mailed to qualified shareholders.

URS Corp., through its subsidiary URS Consultants Inc., is a multi-disciplinary engineering, architectural, planning and consulting firm. It provides a diverse range of professional services to governmental, industrial, educational and health care clients to solve hazardous material, environmental, transportation and water treatment problems.

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OAKLAND, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The Clorox Company (CLX-NY, PSE) today reported that for the year ended June 30 net earnings, all from continuing operations, were $153,626,000 or $2.80 per share, up 6 percent over year ago earnings from continuing operations of $145,560,000 or $2.63 per share.

Year ago net earnings were $124,144,000 or $2.24 per share after a loss of $21,416,000 or 39 cents per share from the divested paints and stain business.

Net sales increased 9 percent to $1,484,042,000 from $1,356,294,000 a year ago.

Fourth quarter net earnings, all from continuing operations, were $42,346,000 or 78 cents per share. That was an improvement of 4 percent over year ago earnings from continuing operations of $40,789,000 or 74 cents per share. Year ago net earnings for the fourth quarter, after the divestiture, were $18,829,000 or 34 cents per share.

Fourth quarter net sales were $434,619,000, a gain of 5 percent over $413,609,000 a year ago.

Clorox chairman and chief executive officer C. R. Weaver said, ''We feel the earnings progress during the past year was quite satisfactory in view of the heavy investment spending for marketing support of new products.''

The improved performance, he noted, reflects in part total record shipments of the Company's products. The higher volume was due to a combination of individual shipment records for several nationally distributed grocery store brands and new product activity.

National introductions during the year included Take Heart, a new line of low-fat, no-cholesterol bottled salad dressing targeted at health-conscious consumers. Professional Strength Liquid-plumr drain opener, a thicker product based on unique technology, also was introduced nationally.

Introductory spending continued for Clorox Detergent and for Control cat litter, both of which are in distribution in about half the country.

Commenting on the fourth quarter, Weaver said three factors contributed to a lower than normal growth rate. Sales for the year ago fourth quarter

reflect shipments of Clorox Detergent to fill new distribution channels in about 25 percent of the country. Competitive activity has increased in some of the company's markets, including bottled salad dressing. And wet weather in much of the country on the Memorial Day weekend impacted sales of charcoal briquets.

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OAKLAND, NJ (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Diagnostic/Retrieval Systems Inc. (ASE:DRS.A, DRS.B) Wednesday reported net earnings of $141,000 or 3 cents per share for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The net earnings for the first three months of fiscal 1991 represent a decrease of 52 percent, as compared with net earnings of $294,000, or 5 cents per share, for the same period last year.

Revenues declined 23 percent to $10,619,000 from revenues of $13,789,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Contract backlog at June 30, 1990, was approximately $48 million, a 14 percent increase over backlog of approximately $42 million at March 31, 1990, the company's fiscal year end. The company received new contract awards approximating $16.6 million during the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

The decrease in revenues primarily was due to the reduction of shipments and completion of certain production contracts for the company's signal processing and recording system product lines during the quarter.

Revenue reduction also was attributable to delays in U.S. Government funding on the Advanced Video Processor (AVP) program for which the company is developing display workstations to be installed on Naval ships engaged in antisubmarine warfare.

The earnings decline resulted from lower sales levels and lower operating margins on business performed during the quarter.

Leonard Newman, chairman and chief executive officer, in commenting on the quarter said, ''Although the company has taken steps to curtail overhead

costs and expenses, improved performance this year will depend upon receiving certain production contracts within the next three quarters.''

Diagnostic/Retrieval Systems Inc., designs and manufactures special-purpose computer and display systems, as well as recording, trainer and optical systems for military and industrial applications.

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SIMI VALLEY, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - PerfectData Corp. (NASDAQ:PERF) Wednesday announced results of operations for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for the first quarter increased 84 percent to $1,424,000 from $773,000 reported in the year-earlier period. The net income for the quarter increased from earnings of less than $1,000 in the comparable period a year earlier to $138,000, or 4 cents per share.

Management believes that the quarter ended June 30, 1990, was the strongest first fiscal quarter in the history of the company. The increase in sales and earnings reflects the continued success of the operational restructuring and redirection of the marketing and product development of the company which commenced during fiscal 1988.

PerfectData is a leading designer, wholesaler and marketer of media maintenance equipment and aftermarket supplies and accessories sold under the PerfectData brand name.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Europe's leading semiconductor technology committee has awarded the JESSI label to Anamartic Ltd., Bull S.A. and Siemens AG for the development of solid-state intermediate storage devices that use the latest semiconductors and a wafer-scale architecture, the companies announced Wednesday.

The award of the Joint European Submicron Silicon (JESSI) label will clear the way for up to $11.6 million in funding over four years -- for development of high-density reconfigurable computer memory (also called supercomponents).

These whole-wafer supercomponents will be used in a variety of intermediate storage devices including solid-state disk drives and expanded memory systems. The three partners are concentrating on 4-Mbit and 16-Mbit technologies for the whole-wafer supercomponents.

Half of the funding for JESSI projects is underwritten by each company's host country -- in this case, the United Kingdom, France and Germany. The other half is provided by the companies.

Anamartic's contribution to the technology alliance is its patented wafer-scale integration technology. This technology uses an entire silicon wafer -- rather than individual chips cut from the wafer -- as the basic unit of the supercomponent.

Proprietary Anamartic software and hardware, located adjacent to each chip create a network that can be configured to avoid faulty portions of chips and use the remaining good portions. The result is improved performance and reliability with reduced size and cost over intermediate storage devices that use discrete chips.

The German company Siemens, one of the world's largest high-technology companies, is contributing its semiconductor manufacturing and chip design expertise. The French computer maker, Bull S.A., is providing systems and packaging expertise to evaluate and optimize the system benefits of proposed intermediate storage products.

JESSI's objective is to help private industry in the European Economic Community remain competitive with other worldwide powers by fostering leadership in critical technologies. Started by Europe's leading technology companies in 1988, the initiative is supported politically and financially by EEC member countries.

Anamartic Ltd., founded in 1986, manufactures high-performance computer storage devices based on proprietary whole-wafer integration technology.

Anamartic's first intermediate storage system product is The WaferStack solid-state disk drive, based on 1-Mbit supercomponents and targeted to systems integrators and OEMs. The company began shipping systems in 1989.

Anamartic Ltd. is a privately held international company, with corporate headquarters, R&D and manufacturing operations in Cambridge, United Kingdom. Anamartic's U.S. subsidiary, based in San Jose, Calif., is primarily focused on sales, marketing and technical support.

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OSHKOSH, WI (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Oshkosh Truck Corp. (NASDAQ:OTRKB) announced Wednesday that John P. Carroll has chosen to resign as president effective at the end of the company's fiscal year, Sept. 30, 1990, to pursue other interests.

The responsibilities of the position will be assumed by R. Eugene Goodson, Oshkosh Truck's chairman and chief executive officer.

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WAYLAND, MA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Candela Laser Corp. (CLZR) announced Wednesday financial results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported revenues of $10,266,000 for the quarter, an increase of 50.6 percent over revenues of $6,818,000 for the same quarter one year ago. Net income for the quarter was $1,976,000, an increase of 350 percent from $439,000 in 1989. Earnings per share for the fourth quarter were 38 cents, versus 9 cents for the same quarter last year, an increase of 322 percent. For the quarter, net income before the benefit of net operating tax loss carryforward was $1,246,000, or 24 cents per share.

Revenues for the 12-month period ended June 30, 1990 were $32,825,000, versus $18,219,000 for the previous year, an increase of 80.2 percent year to year. Net income for the year was $5,119,000, or $1.06 per share, as compared to a net loss of $3,820,000, or $1.01 loss per share, in 1989. For the year, net income before the benefit of net operating tax loss carryforward was $3,390,000, or 70 cents per share.

CANDELA LASER CORP.
($000's, except share data)

	Three Months Ended		Twelve Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS DATA:				
Net revenues	$10,266	$6,818	$32,825	$18,219
Cost of goods sold	4,302	3,296	14,458	10,165
Gross margin	5,964	3,522	18,367	8,054
Research and development	1,188	598	3,957	2,420

Selling, general and administrative	2,674	2,244	8,884	8,100
Restructuring, financing and other costs	--	--	0	985
Total operating expenses	3,862	2,842	12,841	11,505
Income (loss) from operations	2,102	680	5,526	(3,451)
Other income (expense)	2	(241)	125	(369)
Income (loss) before taxes	2,104	439	5,651	(3,820)
Provision for income taxes	858	--	2,261	--
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	1,246	439	3,390	(3,820)
Benefit of net operating loss carryforward	730	--	1,729	--
Net income (loss)	$1,976	$439	$5,119	$(3,820)
Income (loss) per common and common equivalent share before extraordinary items	$0.24	$0.09	$0.70	$(1.01)
Income (loss) per common and common equivalent share from extraordinary items	0.14	0.00	0.36	0.00
Income (loss) per common and common equivalent share	$0.38	$0.09	$1.06	$(1.01)
Weighted average number of common equivalent shares	5,151,907	4,646,344	4,823,631	3,772,119
Profit Margins:				
Gross margin	58.1%	51.7%	56.0%	44.2%
Operating income	20.5%	10.0%	16.8%	-18.9%
Pre tax income	20.5%	6.4%	17.2%	-21.0%
Net income	19.2%	6.4%	15.6%	-21.0%

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FEDERAL WAY, WA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Nuclear Fuel Services Inc. (PNFS), a subsidiary of Pacific Nuclear Systems Inc., announced Wednesday that Duke Power successfully completed the initial loading of spent nuclear fuel into the NUHOMS spent fuel storage system.

Duke's Oconee Nuclear Station near Seneca, S.C., becomes the third on-site independent spent fuel storage facility in the United States.

The NUHOMS system at Oconee was designed and fabricated by Pacific Nuclear and Duke Power. The system was approved by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission in April 1989. Duke Power received a license from the NRC to load as many as 88 fuel storage canisters over the next 20 years at their Oconee Nuclear Station near Seneca, S.C. According to PNFS Vice President William McConaghy, ''The successful initial loading of spent fuel at

Oconee culminates nearly three years of intensive effort by both Duke Power and Pacific Nuclear.''

The Department of Energy (DOE) is developing a permanent repository for spent nuclear fuel, which according to DOE's estimates, will become operational no earlier than the year 2010. Many of the nation's nuclear power plants will require additional storage capacity prior to the final repository becoming operational. The NUHOMS system, or systems offered by other vendors may be used to provide the additional storage capacity for the operating nuclear plants.

Pacific Nuclear Systems Inc. and its subsidiary companies (Nutech Inc.; NuPac Services Inc.; Nuclear Packaging Inc.; PN Services Inc.; and Alaron Corp.) provide a wide range of services to the nuclear industry. The company, founded in 1983 and headquartered in Federal Way, is traded in the NASDAQ - National Market System under the symbol PACN.

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WILMINGTON, MASS. (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Dynamics Research Corp. (NASDAQ:DRCO) announced Wednesday that Arthur Brown has been elected Vice President - Contracts, effective immediately.

Brown has been with the Company since 1963, and prior to his election, he was serving as the Director of Contracts and Administration.

Albert Rand, president and CEO said, ''Art Brown has served the Company diligently in various administrative positions. It is a pleasure for me to announce this promotion as an important part of our corporate restructuring.''

Dynamics Research Corp. provides a wide range of specialized technical services to the Department of Defense and also manufactures components for industrial measurement and control.

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TERRE HAUTE, IN (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - General Housewares Corp. (NYSE:GHW) announced Wednesday that its board of directors declared a cash common stock dividend of $0.6 per share payable September 28, 1990 to common stockholders of record at the close of business on September 14, 1990.

The company stated that the action of the board represents the thirty-ninth consecutive quarterly payment since the company's dividend policy was first instituted in March of 1981.

General Housewares Corp. is a leading manufacturer and marketer of cookware and cutlery products.

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FORT LEE, NJ (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - On-Line Software International Inc. and Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) Wednesday announced a partnership to develop and market a new family of CASE tools that follow the IBM SAA guidelines and the AD/Cycle framework.

On-Line Software will use its worldwide marketing organizations to promote the new products, available Fall, 1990.

The new family of CASE tools will support the specific job functions of data administrators and data architects. Expert system validation facilities will perform many of the time consuming functions of model quality control, reducing project costs and improving overall applications quality. The new products will be compatible with Repository and all AD/Cycle tools from IBM and IBM's AD/Cycle cooperative software partners.

Headquartered in Bombay, India, TCS is part of the Tata Group of Companies one of India's largest corperations. TCS has extensive experience in designing, developing and implementing software solutions in numerous micro and mainframe systems. TCS has developed CASE tools such as CasePac a generalized CASE tool with an open architecture addressing all phases of the software development lifecycle, and project management software systems such as PRISM. TCS has offices and is working in the U.S., U.K., Australia, Japan and throughout the Middle East, Far East and Europe.

On-Line Software International is a NYSE company (OSI) headquartered in Fort Lee. The 21-year-old firm combines consulting and educational services with CICS, DB2 productivity software, and development systems products that enhance the productivity of IBM computer systems users.

As a Charter Vendor Member of the International DB2 Users Group and a Founding Member of R/AD, the Repository and AD/Cycle users group, On-Line Software supports the IBM user community. With 15 domestic and international offices, On-Line Software's distribution network services more than 25 countries. The company is an IBM Business Partner that has products and professional services utilized in more than 90 of the Fortune 100 corporations.

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SEBRING, FL (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The shareholders of First Home Federal Savings and Loan Association approved a merger agreement with Huntington Bancshares Inc. (Columbus, Ohio).

At a special meeting of shareholders held Tuesday, 83.3 percent of the total shares outstanding were cast in favor of the transaction. A total of 83.7 percent of the shares were represented.

Shareholders of First Home Federal will receive not more than 1.56099 nor less than 1.27718 shares of Huntington common stock for each share they own of First Home Federal stock in the tax-free exchange. Based on the current market price of the Huntington common stock, the maximum number of shares would be issued.

However, the actual number of shares to be issued will depend upon the average price of the Huntington common stock during the five trading days prior to the closing.

Approval for the merger has also been received from the Federal Reserve. Approval from the Office of Thrift Supervision is still pending. Consummation of the merger is currently expected to take place at the end of September 1990.

First Home Federal has $208 million in assets and operates eight banking offices in south-central Florida. Huntington Bancshares is an $11.7 billion regional bank holding company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio.

The company's banking subsidiaries operate 253 offices in Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. In addition, Huntington's mortgage, trust, investment banking, and automobile finance subsidiaries manage 32 offices in the six states mentioned as well as

Florida, Delaware, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Rhode Island, and Virginia.

Both First Home Federal's and Huntington's common stock are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System using the symbols ''FSEB'' and ''HBAN'' respectively.

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COLLEGE PARK, GA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantic Southeast Airlines, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ASAI) flew 37.2 million revenue passenger miles during July 1990, a .3 percent increase over the same period last year, according to John W. Beiser, a senior vice president for the Atlanta-based airline.

ASA's load factor was 50.9 percent compared with 54.2 percent during July 1989. Available seat miles increased to 73.2 million from 68.4 million, for a 7.0 percent increase.

The company enplaned 175,179 passengers during July, compared with 179,083 passengers for the previous July.

On a year-to-date basis, ASA carried 1,176,041 passengers compared with 1,128,767 during 1989, a 4.2 percent increase. Revenue passenger miles totaled 250.3 million compared with 230.7 million, for an 8.5 percent increase.

Available seat miles increased 9.8 percent from 445.3 million to 489.2 million. The load factor on a year-to-date basis was 51.2 percent compared with 51.8 percent during the previous year.

Atlantic Southeast Airlines Inc. is Atlanta's largest regional air carrier and now offers service to 15 cities from a second hub in Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas.

ASA's stock is traded in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol ASAI.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Masstor Systems Corp. (NASDAQ

National Market:MSCO) Wednesday announced it intends to hold a special shareholder meeting on Thursday, Sept. 20.

The meeting is being held for the purpose of obtaining shareholder approval to amend the company's certificate of incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 25 million to 50 million shares.

The primary reason for the increase in authorized common shares is to allow the company to raise at least $2 million through the sale of its equity securities by Sept. 30.

Founded in 1976, Masstor Sytems Corp. manufactures and services mass storage systems for IBM, Cray and Bull HN mainframe customers with very high volume applications. It has over 100 large company and institutional customers in 10 countries in North America and Europe.

Its focused business strategy helps MIS managers quickly leverage their huge installed mainframe investments by automating their storage processes and expanding their on-line applications.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Effective Aug. 1, 1990, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines will join Delta Air Lines' Frequent Flyer program.

Members of Delta's Frequent Flyer program who fly KLM from the U.S. to Amsterdam and KLM destinations worldwide will now earn mileage credit. Passengers traveling on KLM's economy fares will receive actual mileage credit, while business class travel will earn 125 percent and first class will earn 150 percent of actual mileage.

In addition to mileage awards on Delta flights, passengers may use mileage credits towards free or discounted travel on KLM to Amsterdam, London, Frankfurt and Paris. ''KLM is pleased to join Delta's Frequent Flyer program. KLM and Delta share the common goal of providing excellent service to our passengers. For example, KLM has launched a wide-ranging program of quality and service enhancements, called ''Product 90'', as part of our commitment to translating customer wishes into KLM services. Participation in this program is another way to enhance customer service ''said Peter van Vliet, vice president and general manager of KLM USA.

With more than 70 years of experience, KLM operates one of the most modern passenger aircraft fleets in the world. KLM serves eight U.S. gateways: Atlanta, Baltimore/Washington, Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Orlando and Anchorage, and a total of more than 145 cities in 77 countries. KLM now flies to more cities in Europe, the Mid-East and Africa than all U.S. airlines combined.

''Delta is proud to welcome KLM, an airline that continues to distinguish itself in the industry, as our newest Frequent Flyer partner,'' said Whit Hawkins, Delta's senior vice president of marketing.

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MEMPHIS, TN (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Response Technologies Inc. (ASE:RTK)(NASDAQ/NMS:BITXP) Wednesday announced the opening of its fourth IMPACT (IMPlementation of Advanced Cancer Technology) Center in Columbia, Mo.

The company also announced that it has reached a tentative agreement to sell up to 10 million shares of newly issued common stock at 50 cents per share to Dakota Ventures Inc. in a private placement. The investor has had no previous association with the company.

Closing of the transaction is subject to execution of a definitive agreement and board and shareholder approval. The investor will also receive warrants to purchase up to 9 million shares of common stock at prices ranging from 50 cents to $1. If all shares are purchased, and all warrants exercised, the investor will obtain a majority position in the company's common stock.

Response Technologies owns and operates IMPACT Centers which provide private practicing oncologists with the resources necessary to deliver advanced cancer treatments on an outpatient basis, principally through licensed pharmacies, laboratories and blood banks. The company operates IMPACT Centers in Memphis and Tampa and Hollywood, Fla., in addition to the newly opened center in Columbia.

The common stock of Response Technologies Inc. is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol RTK and its Preferred Stock is traded on the NASDAQ/NMS under the symbol BITXP.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Wednesday announced it has begun shipping server and node editions of 1-2-3/G, the graphical version of its best-selling 1-2-3 spreadsheet designed for the OS/2 and Presentation Manager personal computer operating system.

1-2-3/G is available in standard, server and node editions.

''Response to 1-2-3/G has been very positive,'' said Jeffrey Beir, director of marketing for 1-2-3/G. ''Customers have responded enthusiatically to gaining 1-2-3 compatibility within a graphical user interface, and to getting the power of Solver, which delivers an advanced, yet easy-to-use, goal-seeking capability to OS/2 users. Because OS/2 is an extremely powerful networking environment, we've received many requests from customers for the network editions of 1-2-3/G.''

OS/2, with its multitasking capaibilities and access to large amounts of memory, is well-suited to networking. It can handle simultaneous operations efficiently, offering users superior perfomance on a local area network.

The 1-2-3/G server edition supplies network administrators with tools for easier network management. A count utility, for example, enables administrators to control and manage the number of users on a network. In addition, a file reservation feature in 1-2-3/G preserves the data integrity of files shared over a network.

1-2-3/G, which began shipping in March, combines advanced spreadsheet functionality with the familiarity of 1-2-3 and a graphical user interface allowing users to move to the new operating environment, while preserving their investments in 1-2-3. 1-2-3/G maintains familiar 1-2-3 commands, first letter selection, and provides full keyboard and mouse support. 1-2-3/G is fully compliant with IBM's System Application Architecture (SAA) and Common User Access (CUA) graphical interface guidelines for Presentation Manager applications. It also supports Dynamic Data Exchange (DDE) for sharing live data with other OS/2 applications.

1-2-3/G brings a range of new spreadsheet features to OS/2 users including Solver, an advanced goal-seeking technology that solves problems defined in the familiar spreadsheet environment. Solver automates the tedious ''what-if'' process, and shows the user ''how to'' achieve desired results.

In addition, 1-2-3/G incorporates true three dimensional worksheets; file linking across worksheets and files in memory or on disk; and the Lotus

DataLens technology, which allows users to access external data sources, directly from within the spreadsheet.

The server edition of 1-2-3/G is licensed for shared use from a central file server and includes a LAN administrator's guide, one complete copy of documentation, a license for one network user, and software in both 5.25- and 3.5-inch media. It has a suggested retail price of $895.

The node edition provides for an additional concurrent 1-2-3/G user on the network. The node edition has a suggested retail price of $595 and includes a single license for network use and complete documentation.
System Requirements and Special Upgrade Pricing

1-2-3/G requires an IBM PC AT, IBM PS/2, IBM PS/2 models 50Z, 60, 70, P70, 80, Compaq 286, 386, Compaq Portable 386, or 100 percent compatibles. Lotus recommends a 386-based computer. A minimum of 5 megabytes of RAM is required with the network versions of 1-2-3/G.

1-2-3/G is designed for use with networks that support OS/2 1.1 or higher including: IBM LAN Server 1.2 (with nodes using LAN Requester, a component of OS/2 Extended Edition 1.2), 3Com 3+ Open LAN Manager 1.1, Novell Advanced or SFT NetWare version 2.15, and Novell NetWare 386 version 3.0 (with nodes using NetWare Requester for OS/2 1.1 or higher).

Users 1-2-3 Release 2.2 or Release 3 node editions may upgrade to the 1-2-3/G node edition for a suggested retail price of $150; users of 1-2-3 Release 2.2 or Release 3 server editions may upgrade to the 1-2-3/G server edition for a suggested retail price of $250.

Users of 1-2-3 2.0, 2.01 and 1A stand-alone editions may upgrade to 1-2-3/G node and server editions for suggested retail prices of $150 and $250, respectively. For more upgrade information, customers may call 1-800-343-5414.

Lotus Development Corp. is the leading provider of applications software for personal computers and information services delivered on CD-ROM, and is a worldwide supplier of applications software for workstations, minicomputers and mainframes.

All prices and terms are for the U.S.A. only.

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WOODCLIFF LAKE, N.J. (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - BMW of North America, Inc.,

plans to sharpen the driving skills of motorists this year at the expanded mobile version of the BMW/Skip Barber Advanced Driving School.

The Traveling Driving School motors into the Detroit area with its arrival at the Pontiac Silverdome on August 13-16. Now in its third year, the Traveling Driving School will visit more than 20 cities. Motorists may obtain further information on cost and how to reserve a seat at the school by calling 1-800-221-1131 or by contacting an authorized BMW dealer.

Celebrating its fifth full season of operation, the Advanced Driving School improves driving skills in everyday and emergency situations. Motorists also get the opportunity to experience the exhilaration of driving a BMW automobile.

Launched in September of 1985 at Lime Rock Park in Lime Rock, Conn., the school also teaches students about the active and passive safety features in BMW automobiles. The school operates at three other permanent racetrack facilities: Road America, Elkhart Lake, Wis.; Sebring International Raceway, Sebring, Fla.; and Willow Springs International Raceway, Rosamond, Calif.

''BMW designs automobiles to involve the driver fully in the driving experience, and the Advanced Driving School enables students to make the most of that experience,'' said Karl Gerlinger, president and chief executive officer of BMW of North America, Inc. ''Since automotive safety is BMW's highest priority, we are committed to providing drivers with the opportunity to improve their driving skills, and teaching them to utilize the active and passive safety features built into all BMWs.''

The school is taught by Skip Barber, a 15-year veteran of international racing competition and 12-year instructor to some of the world's most competitive race car drivers. Participants in the school are instructed by professional drivers.

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BOSTON (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Gulf Resources & Chemical Corp. (NYSE:GRE) announced income from continuing operations for the three months ended June 30, 1990 of $2.9 million, or 28 cents per share fully diluted, compared to income from continuing operations of $1.1 million, or 10 cents per share fully diluted, for the same quarter in 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990 income from continuing operations was $0.2 million compared to $1.7 million, or 16 cents per share fully diluted, for the same six-month period in 1989.

Included in income for the second quarter of 1990 is an unrealized gain of $5.2 million resulting from the reduction in the unrealized market loss and foreign currency translation gains on marketable securities of approximately $2.9 million and foreign currency translation gains of $2.3 million on assets and liabilities other than marketable securities.

Included in income for the six months ended June 30, 1990 is a net unrealized gain of $5.9 million resulting from unrealized market and foreign currency translation gains on marketable securities of $5.7 million, and a net unrealized foreign currency translation gain of $0.2 million on assets and liabilities other than marketable securities.

Between June 30, 1990 and Aug. 7, 1990 there was an additional unrealized gain on marketable securities of $6.2 million, representing unrealized market gains of $3.3 million and unrealized foreign currency translation gains of $2.9 million. Pre-tax gains of $2.7 million and $4.6 million, respectively, were realized for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1989 from the sale of marketable securities.

Interest income for the second quarter of 1990 was $2.6 million, compared to $5.5 million for the same quarter in 1989. Interest income for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $5.7 million, compared to $9.4 million for the same six-month period in 1989.

The decrease is the result of reduced cash balances due substantially to the previously announced investment in City Realties Limited, (''CRL''), a New Zealand Stock Exchange listed real estate investment company, other real estate properties and certain marketable securities.

Included in income is a gain of $1.4 million for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990, related to the sale of certain non-active assets of the company.

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BURBANK, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Matthews Studio Equipment Group (NASDAQ Symbol:MATT) Wednesday announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990. In making the announcement, the company noted that record revenues were achieved during the latest third quarter

on a 51 percent increase over revenues during the third quarter ended June 30, 1989. Matthews also noted that net income for the latest nine months evidenced an extremely strong gain.

Revenues for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990 rose to $5,863,490, compared to $3,882,207 in the previous third quarter. Net income for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 was $180,648, or 2 cents per share, as compared to net income of $196,584, or 3 cents per share, for the previous comparable quarter.

Revenues for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 increased 44 percent to $14,814,542, up from $10,262,912 in the first nine months of fiscal 1989. Net income for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 increased substantially to $437,857, or 6 cents per share. This compares to net income of $5,720 (nil per share) for the nine months ended June 30, 1989.

Commenting on the results, Carlos DeMattos, co-chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Matthews, and Edward Phillips, co-chairman of the board and chief operating officer, jointly stated,''We are confident that these positive results and the reasons for them clearly reflect management's recognition that the entertainment industry far prefers utilizing supply sources that offer the widest possible range of services. That factor has led us to continue our aggressive acquisition program, implementing our strategy of continually increasing the lines of equipment we can make available to our growing roster of customers. During the latest third quarter alone, we added some $2.5 million of new equipment to our rental inventory, one of our most basic lines of business. Our increasing revenues also reflect the impact of the state-of-the-art technology we have developed and the industry's growing awareness of the benefits inherent in these technological advancements.

''Also enhancing our increasingly positive results has been an extremely strong entertainment industry environment, with its constant increase in both domestic and international production and growing box office receipts.

''All of these factors contributed to the continued improvement in revenues and earnings we experienced during the latest nine months. Based on these developments and the current continuation of these trends, we are very optimistic that there will be a substantial increase in revenues and earnings during the fourth quarter that will continue to be reflected in our fiscal 1991 results.

''Several factors are noteworthy in reviewing the latest third quarter and nine months results. Earnings for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990 reflect a full provision for income taxes as compared to a reduced tax provision in the prior third quarter. Earnings per share for both of the latest periods are based on substantially more shares outstanding,

primarily as a result of our public offering early in the current fiscal year. In another significant financial development, we recently entered into a new revolving credit and term loan agreement with a major bank that is providing additional working capital and financing to support our continued growth.

''Approximately 26 percent of the substantial increase in revenues achieved during the nine months ended June 30, 1990 was contributed by companies added to Matthews subsequent to the end of the previous fiscal year, while the remaining gains were generated principally from our equipment rental business.''

Matthews Studio Equipment Group is one of the fastest growing companies in its industry. The company designs, manufactures, rents, leases and sells a broad range of equipment used in the production of films, television shows and commercials, professional photography and theatrical productions. One of the company's major and most innovative products is its electronic Cam-remote System, a remote controlled system that makes possible a diversity of camera angles that would be virtually impossible or far too dangerous for any cameraman to attempt in standard camera operation.

Matthews Studio Equipment Group & Subsidiaries
Financial Highlights
(unaudited)

	For the third quarter ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$5,863,490	$3,882,207
Net income	180,648	196,584
Earnings per share	$ .02	$ .03

	For the nine months ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$14,814,542	$10,262,912
Net income	437,857	5,720
Earnings per share	$ .06	---

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MANSFIELD, MA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Codex Corp. Wednesday announced the appointment of Richard Peabody as vice president and general manager

for data networking.

In his new position, Peabody is responsible for the direction, development and overall profit and loss management of products and programs that support Codex's data networking business in the world-wide market.

Before joining Codex, Peabody served as vice president and general manager of Philips Electronics Ltd. in Toronto where he had full profit and loss responsibility and overall management of a computer peripherals business. Prior to joining Philips Electronics, Peabody served seven years as president of Amdahl Communications Inc., significantly growing the company's multiplexer business by increasing product and customer diversification, and emphasizing high-speed T1 networks.

In 23 years, Peabody has managed overall company revenues and employees, introduced new products in various engineering management positions, and has tested and developed founding products in the electronics industry. Peabody currently lives in Mississauga, Ontario with his wife, Marilyn.

Codex Corp., a subsidiary of Motorola, is based in Mansfield, Mass. The company is a leading supplier of network products and integrated network solutions. Offerings include network management systems, T1/E1 switches, LAN Internetworking products, X.25 networks, multiplexers, modems, and professional services.

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MORGANVILLE, NJ (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Corfacts Inc. (formerly Business Journal of New Jersey Inc.) Wednesday released financial results for the first six months ended June 30.

Revenues were $367,529 for the current period ended June 30, 1990, as compared to $407,514 for the six month period a year ago. The loss from continuing operations in the first six months of 1990 was $453,384, or $.04 per share, as compared to a gain of $45,894 or $.00 per share, in the first six months of 1989.

Due primarily to the sale of the company's magazine business, on Mar. 2, 1990, net income for the six months was $2,470,369, representing 21 cents per share. Included in the net income was a gain from the disposal of the magazine business of $2,742,253 or 23 cents per share, and a tax benefit of $181,500, or 2 cents per share, resulting from a net operating loss carry forward.

There were approximately 11,800,000 shares outstanding for both periods.

Corfacts Inc. publishes business directories and other information products in New Jersey and the Philadelphia metropolitan area.

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MONROE, La. (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Century Telephone Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:CTL) Wednesday announced that net income for the second quarter of 1990 increased 63.6 percent to $8,692,000 from $5,314,000 a year ago.

Revenues from telephone, cellular and paging operations increased 23.5 percent to $60,732,000 from $49,192,000 in the second quarter of 1989. Earnings per share increased 55.6 percent to 28 cents compared with 18 cents a year ago on 9.0 percent additional shares outstanding.

For the first six months of 1990, net income increased to $15,444,000 from $10,369,000, a 48.9 percent increase over the same period in 1989. Total revenues increased 25.4 percent to $121,160,000 from $96,655,000 for the same period in 1989. Earnings per share climbed 36.1 percent to 49 cents per share compared with 36 cents in the first half of 1989.

During the second quarter of 1990, Century sold its remaining investment in Telecom USA common stock for $4,081,000 which resulted in a gain in $2,237,000 (7 cents per share). As previously reported, Century sold a portion of the investment in the first quarter of 1990 which added $354,000 (1 cent per share) to that quarter.

''Major contributors to Century's increased net income during the second quarter were increases in telephone operating income and an increase in the number of cellular and paging units in service.

''We now have over 300,000 access lines, 30,000 cellular and 14,000 paging units in service,'' said Glen F. Post III, president and chief operating officer.

''The August 1989 acquisition of Universal Telephone Inc. and continuing strong earnings from our telephone operations, coupled with improved operating results from our cellular and paging segments, contributed to the strong performance of the company through the first half of the year.

''We are pleased with our results and remain committed to making strategic acquisitions of both telephone and cellular properties.''

Century Telephone Enterprises Inc., headquartered in Monroe, is a diversified telecommunications company with operations in 15 states.

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BASKING RIDGE, NJ (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Wednesday announced that Richard S. Bodman will become a senior vice president of the company, responsible for strategic planning and corporate development.

He currently is president of the Washington (D.C.) National Investment Corporation.

Bodman, 52, will report to AT&T Chairman Robert E. Allen and will be a member of the company's executive committee.

''Dick brings us a wealth of experience from the corporate, private and public sectors and has an extensive background in making strategic choices '' Allen said.

Bodman, a graduate of Princeton University with a master's degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has been president of Washington National Investment since 1985.

Prior to that he was with Communications Satellite Corporation, where he served as president of Comsat General Corporation and later Satellite Television Corporation.

He also has held positions in the federal government as assistant director of the Office of Management and Budget in the Office of the President and assistant secretary, management and budget, in the Department of the Interior.

He also has been a partner of Touche Ross & Company and held various management positions with E.I. DuPont de Nemours.

Bodman, a certified public accountant, is married to Karna Small Bodman. They have four sons.

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SALT LAKE CITY, UT (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Equity Oil Co. (NASDAQ:EQTY) said Wednesday that despite continuing growth in revenues, production levels and cash flow, two unusual, non-cash abandonment charges contributed to a loss in the second quarter ended June 30 of ($1,385,619) or (11 cents) per share.

This compares to net income for the same period in 1989 of $303,984 or 2 cents per share. Reflecting the second quarter loss, results for the first half of fiscal 1990 were a net loss of ($393,203) or (3 cents) per share, compared to net income in the same period in the prior fiscal year of $601,174 or 5 cents per share.

Fred H. Evans, president of Equity Oil, commenting on the results stated, ''While we are disappointed that earnings have impacted adversely in the first half as a result of two unusual non-cash items, we continue to be very pleased with the production levels we achieved and the success and pace of our exploration program.

''Despite the fact that average oil prices were 20% lower in the second quarter than in the first quarter of 1990 and were 16% lower than in the second quarter of 1989, revenues increased 13% to $8,385,026 and cash flow from operations increased 44% to $3,537,581.''

Evans commented further, ''We believe that the company will have positive earnings for the full year if the price of oil remains at or above the average price sustained in the first half of the year.''

During the first half of 1989, Equity's oil production increased 2% to 345,476 barrels and gas production increased 79% to 735 million cubic feet. This translates into an oil/gas ratio of 74/26, converting gas to oil on a 6,000 per cubic feet per barrel equivalent basis.

The loss reported for the quarter, and subsequent first half loss, were a direct result of a non-cash charge of $1,960,000 resulting from the abandonment of two wells in Pecos County, Texas, and a non-cash charge to Leasehold Abandonments of $336,000. The well abandonment charge relates to the proposed abandonment of two deep gas wells drilled in 1978 that have been producing at nominal rates since that time but can no longer be produced economically due to the increasing presence of hydrogen sulphide gas.

The addition to Leasehold Abandonments resulted from the abandonment of exploratory leases that are outside of the presently identified geologic structures on Equity's Palisades prospect and consequently are no longer

considered to be prospective of oil and gas production. The plugging and abandonment of the two Texas wells will result in the minimal loss of 35 million cubic feet of gas reserves and no loss in future net revenue. The abandonment of the exploratory acreage will result in no loss of reserves or future net revenue.

Commenting further on these items, Evans stated, ''In short, both actions were non-cash events that have no impact on the company's ability to conduct its business and minimal impact on the reserve base of the company.''

The company reports that by the end of the first half, Equity had drilled or committed to drill a total of 19 wells during the year. Drilling expenditures and Leasehold Acquisition costs in the first half totaled $1,948,855 and are expected to reach a total of approximately $5 million by year end.

Highlights include the successful stimulation and production of hook-up of the third well in the company's Cemetary Ridge prospect as well as the drilling of a fourth well; the completion of a second horizontal well in the Austin Chalk; and the initiation of drilling a well at the Pinecliff prospect.

On July 18, the company successfully stimulated and placed on production the third well in the Cemetary Ridge prospect in Goliad County, Texas. The well, No. 1 Fromme, began producing into the pipeline following the stimulation and while still recovering stimulation fluids, is producing at a rate of 1,050 MCF per day at a flowing tubing pressure of 2,700 pounds through 9/64 inch choke.

The fourth Cemetery Ridge well, Albrecht No. 1, is presently drilling below 11,900 feet having set intermediate casing at 10,550 feet. The well is scheduled to be drilled to total depth of 12,500 feet to test the zones penetrated in the first three Cemetery Ridge wells. The well has already penetrated sands that appear to correlate with the producing zones in the No. 1 Fromme.

Equity also completed a second horizontal well in the Austin Chalk in Frio County, Texas. The No. 1 Johnston was drilled to a total vertical depth of 5,070 feet and a horizontal depth of 1,128 feet. During the drilling, circulation problems resulted in the loss of large amounts of water which will need to be recovered before an accurate gauge of the production potential can be determined. The well is currently producing at the rate of 123 barrels of oil and 425 barrels of water per day.

Drilling at the Exxon No. 1-7 Bingham well was begun on July 6. Located in the Pinecliff prospect in Summit County, Utah, the well, in which Equity has a 25 percent working interest, is operated by Exxon.

It is currently drilling below 6,500 feet and is scheduled to be drilled to a total depth of 12,500 feet to test the Twin Creek and Nugget formations at that depth.

Evans commented further, ''Our fundamental enthusiasm for the outlook for our business remains intact. While full year net income will be less than anticipated, we fully expect to continue our strong cash flow generation and an exciting exploration program which has significantly transformed our oil and gas production mix. We also are well positioned for the future with a strong balance sheet and no debt.''

Equity Oil Co., headquartered in Salt Lake City, is an independent oil and gas exploration and development company with operations in nine western states and Canada.

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CLIFTON, N.J. (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Keystone Camera Products Corp. (ASE: KYC) announced Wednesday that Congress Financial Corp. has agreed to an amendment to its loan agreement with the company, which will permit the company to borrow, on a short-term basis, up to an additional $600,000.

The loan proceeds are in addition to proceeds of $1.2 million realized during July from the sale of an interest in a lease, and other short-term borrowings, plus a $400,000 extension of credit by a supplier.

The funding will enable the company to increase its work force by 270 people to a total of approximately 800 employees. This increase in employment is needed to accommodate the production demands of the current $3.5 million Christmas backlog, as well as to place its new motorized Tele-Wide and motorized Compact 35mm cameras into production.

These cameras are the latest additions to Keystone's family of popularly priced compact ''point & shoot'' 35mm cameras. With features such as autowind/rewind, easy film loading, and an exclusive Tele-Wide lens for double magnification, they are expected to retail between $29.95 - $49.95 at leading mass market retailers throughout the country.

Myron J. Berman, chairman and chief executive officer of Keystone, said, ''The company anticipates that the $2.2 million of financing will provide

sufficient working capital to enable Keystone to complete its preparation for the Christmas season.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Petrolane Gas Service Limited Partnership (owned since August 1, 1989, by QFB Partners) reported 1990 second quarter revenues of $129 million, a 4 percent decrease over 1989.

Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization for the 1990 second quarter were $11.5 million, a 18 percent decrease compared with 1989's second quarter. For the 1990 second quarter, the partnership had net loss after taxes of $33.5 million, compared with net loss of $4.9 million for the second quarter of 1989. Results of operations were adversely affected by reduction of retail and wholesale sales volumes due to a reduced number of retail customer deliveries and a reduction in wholesale business, higher unit cost of propane and higher interest expense due to the incurrence of debt to finance the acquisition.

Petrolane Gas Service Limited Partnership reported 1990 six months revenue of $378.7 million, a 4 percent increase over 1989. Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization for the 1990 six months were $62.9 million, a 9 percent decrease compared with 1989.

For the six months ended June 1990, the partnership had net loss after taxes of $27.1 million, compared with net income of $30.2 million, for the six months ended June 1989.

Results of operations were adversely affected by exceptionally warm weather in the 1990 first quarter, a reduced number of retail customer deliveries in the second quarter, a reduction in wholesale business, higher unit cost of propane, and higher interest expense due to the incurrence of debt to finance the acquisition.

Petrolane Gas Service Limited Partnership is engaged in the domestic retail and wholesale distribution of liquified petroleum gas, predominantly propane, for residential, commercial, industrial and agricultural uses. The company is the largest domestic retailer and one of the largest wholesale distributors of propane based on gallons sold.

QFB Partners is a general partnership formed by affiliates of Quantum Chemical Corp. and CS first Boston Inc.

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SOUTHPORT, CT (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Crystal Brands Inc. (NYSE) Wednesday announced the appointment of Terry Conway as the new president of its Eagle Shirtmakers division.

He will report to Jay Shaw who is president of the Gant division of Crystal Brands.

Conway was formerly executive vice president of Megastar Apparel, an Interco division, and prior to that was president of The Designer Group, where he was responsible for the launch of Halston and Geoffrey Beene shirts. He was also executive vice president of sales and marketing for both the Van Heusen Co. and The Designer Group.

Chuck Smith, executive vice president of Crystal Brands said ''A major part of Conway's success stems from his innovative marketing direction in the better shirt business. His contributions to the prestigious Eagle Shirtmakers label will further enhance our market standing, and I look forward to his involvement in this business.''

Crystal Brands produces tailored clothing, dress furnishings and sportswear for men, women and boys under the brand names Eagle Shirtmakers Evan-Picone, Gant, Haspel, Izod, Izod Lacoste, Palm Beach, John Weitz, Polo by Ralph Lauren for Boys, Pierre Cardin for Boys, Hunter Haig, Turnbury, Brannoch, Fulcrum, Firenza, Milano and Austin-Hill. The company also produces costume jewelry and accessories under the brand names Monet, Trifari and Marvella.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The Continental Corporation (NYSE:CIC) Wednesday reported second quarter 1990 net income of $2.5 million, or $.02 per share, compared with $65.2 million, or $1.18 per share, for the second quarter of 1989.

''Income from operations -- before capital gains or losses and 'fresh start' tax effects -- was $.19 per share, compared with $.55 per share for

last year's second quarter,'' said John P. Mascotte, chairman and chief executive officer. ''This result is about as expected given the depressed pricing environment. We're continuing to emphasize our traditional strengths in package and specialty business while cutting back on marginal accounts and non-strategic lines of insurance.''

Revenues for the second quarter were $1.4 billion, down from $1.5 billion in 1989. Consolidated net investment income for the quarter was $186.0 million, compared with $185.2 million a year ago. The company realized pretax capital losses in the 1990 second quarter of $11.8 million, versus pretax capital gains of $37.4 million for the same period last year.

After tax, second quarter 1990 realized capital losses were $.17 per share against realized capital gains of $.48 per share in 1989. Earnings for the 1990 second quarter do not include a tax benefit resulting from the ''fresh start'' provision of the Tax Reform Act of 1986. Second quarter 1989 earnings included a ''fresh start'' benefit of $.15 per share.

Book value per share was $39.62, compared with $41.98 at June 30, 1989. Book value with all investments valued at market prices was $39.56, versus $43.93 a year ago.

Insurance operations contributed second quarter pretax income of $29.6 million, compared with $89.1 million in 1989. The decrease resulted from a substantial reduction in realized capital gains and higher underwriting losses.

Net written premiums for the quarter were $1.1 billion, down from $1.2 billion a year ago. Growth in personal and commercial package business and in specialty lines where prices are adequate was offset by continued sharp reductions in reinsurance and monoline coverages such as general liability. Insurance operations' second quarter 1990 combined ratio, after policyholders' dividends, was 112.8%, compared with 111.2% for the second quarter of 1989.

Net income for the first six months of 1990 was $34.7 million, or $.60 per share, against $109.4 million, or $1.98 per share, through June 1989.

Year-to-date revenues were $2.8 billion, compared with $3.0 billion in the prior year. Consolidated net investment income for the period was $374.1 million, up from $361.8 million in 1989. The company realized six months 1990 pretax capital gains of $14.8 million, versus gains of $44.1 million for the same period last year. After tax, realized capital gains for the first six months of 1990 were $.15 per share, against $.54 per share in 1989.

First half 1990 results did not include a ''fresh start'' benefit, while the comparable 1989 period included a ''fresh start'' benefit of $.15 per

share.

Year-to-date pretax income from insurance operations was $75.0 million, versus $154.7 million through the first six months of 1989. Net written premiums for the first six months of 1990 were $2.3 billion, down from $2.4 billion through June 1989. Insurance operations' year-to-date combined ratio, after policyholders' dividends, was 113.8 %, compared with 111.0% for six month 1989.

The Continental Corporation, headquartered in New York City, has over $6 billion in annual revenues and $13 billion in assets. Its insurance subsidiaries write property/casualty coverages through independent agents and major brokers, with an emphasis on commercial package policies and select specialized insurance products and services.

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MISSION VIEJO, CA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The Federal Reserve System has approved Viejo Bancorp (NASDAQ:VBMV), the owner of Mission Viejo National Bank, for sale of its stock through margin accounts, the company announced Wednesday.

The effect of this approval, according to the Federal Reserve, is that the bank company's stock -- which is now listed on NASDAQ -- has, effective August 14, ''loan value under Regulation T, permitting brokers and dealers to make margin loans using this security as collateral.'' This means that investors can purchase the stock at a lower immediate cash payment by using the stock as collateral for a loan to pay the balance of the purchase price.

Viejo Bancorp Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William T. Brady said: ''We are very pleased to receive this approval as it reflects the solid position of Mission Viejo National Bank and our growing presence as a public company. Also this should broaden the number of investors interested in becoming our shareholders.''

Mission Viejo National Bank is the largest independent bank in Mission Viejo. Its parent company, Viejo Bancorp, had assets of $131 million and earnings of $2.3 million, or 89 cents per share, at the year ended Dec. 31 1989.

Viejo Bancorp was recently listed on the NASDAQ exchange under the symbol VBMV.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Michael S. Hudner, President of B+H Ocean Carriers Ltd. (ASE: BHO) announced Wednesday that for the period April 1 through June 30, 1990 the Company had a total of 68 days of off-hire for its thirteen vessels.

This off-hire resulted mainly from two scheduled drydockings totalling 63 days, for M/T's IVER ALKE and MACLE as compared to the budgeted 49 days. Each of these two product tankers had longer than normal drydockings. IVER ALKE had extensive renewal of deck steel and MACLE had blasting and coating of a number of ballast tanks.

Hudner said that this work will add to the trading life of the vessels and is part of the Company's policy of maintaining its dry cargo vessels for a 25 year life and a minimum of 22 year life for the product tankers. He estimated that the loss of revenue resulting from the off-hire was approximately $580,000.

For the remainder of 1990 the Company expects to drydock three vessels, M/T OSCO EDMO and M/V's NAIMO and ELSO, two in the third quarter and one in the fourth quarter.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Michael S. Hudner, President of B+H Bulk Carriers Ltd. (NASDAQ: BULKF) announced today that for the period April 1 through June 30, 1990 the Company's vessels realized technical off-hire totalling 107 days, as compared to the budgeted 26 days.

This off-hire resulted mainly from drydocking two vessels (M/V MENTO and SPORT) for a total of 31 days and from major repairs to two vessels (M/V BREA and HOPE) which realized a total of 74 days off-hire. M/V MENTO had a regularly scheduled drydocking while M/V SPORT had an unscheduled drydocking to repair insured hull damage caused by a grounding.

M/V BREA had difficulties with her generators. Two of them are being

replaced, one already done and the other to be completed by mid-August. Repair work on BREA was impeded by the vessel being on the west coast of South America where adequate parts and shore-based logistical support were not readily available. M/V HOPE had a main engine repair which was completed in mid-July. Hudner added that this level of off-hire was completely unacceptable on a continuing basis and that he did not expect it to happen again.

The Company's objective is to operate its remaining seven vessels until they are 25 years old and Mr. Hudner said that the repairs effected on BREA and HOPE would get those vessels a long way towards that goal.

He estimated that for the period the Company incurred a loss of revenue of approximately $440,000 as a result of the off-hire and added that operating expenses for BREA and HOPE would be well above normal as a result of these repairs.

The Company expects one more drydocking this year, M/V ANTIO, in September.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Michael S. Hudner, President of B+H Maritime Carriers Ltd. (ASE: BHM) reported Wednesday that for the period April 1 through June 30, 1990 the Company had realized 23 days of technical off-hire on its ten vessels as compared to the budgeted 38 days.

Fifteen days of this off-hire was attributable to M/T NANI and was caused mainly by damage repairs following contact with a pier and a problem with cargo pumps.

Hudner estimated that the loss of revenue from the off-hire was approximately $210,000. The Company did not drydock any vessels during the quarter but during the remainder of 1990 three vessels, M/V's ENA and REMA and M/T LIVI are scheduled to be drydocked, one in the third quarter and two in the fourth quarter.

The Company is upgrading three of its product tankers and the operating expenses, including approximately $500,000 for spare parts for M/T's NANI, LIVI and ITER, will be substantially above normal for the second quarter.

The Company's vessel upgrading program requires the use of much of the current cash flow but will go a long way towards allowing the Company to meet its objective of operating its vessels to 25 years of age for dry bulkcarriers and at least 22 years of age for product tankers.

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MIDVALE, UT (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Broadcast International Inc. (NASDAQ:BRIN) Wednesday announced the commencement of its Satellite Energy Network, SENERGY, a satellite-delivered petroleum information and price notification network now available through Bonneville Market Information, a wholly owned subsidiary of the company.

Charles McQuinn, president of Bonneville Market Information, stated: ''In active petroleum markets where immediate news of price changes is essential to compete, SENERGY provides petroleum marketers, jobbers and distributors with fast, accurate information. Today's volatile market conditions demonstrate the need for a reliable information network to eliminate the several-hour delay common to telephone-based price notification systems.''

SENERGY resulted from the joint efforts of Bonneville, Computer Petroleum Corp. and Sun Refining & Marketing (SUNOCO) to develop a better price and information distribution network. Sun conducted the initial testing and is now in the process of implementing SENERGY for its customers. Similar testing is being conducted by several other major petroleum suppliers with implementation expected within 30 days.

''We are offering SENERGY, free of charge, to petroleum marketers who currently deal with four or more suppliers delivering information on the SENERGY network. We estimate that over 90 percent of the 10,000 petroleum marketers now using telephone-based systems will qualify for the free service. SENERGY is designed to become the standard network of the energy industry,'' said McQuinn.

James Amaroso, Sun R & M general manager for Fuels West, stated: ''Although the initial work on the SENERGY petroleum market information/pricing network was a joint effort of Sun R & M, Bonneville and CPC, we also took the time to evaluate other alternatives.

''As an industry, we have learned in the past that for this kind of network to be viable, it must be able to be used by all suppliers and their customers. We at Sun are very excited with the potential of SENERGY to satisfy the information delivery needs of the industry with a fast, reliable, efficient satellite network.''

Based in Salt Lake City, Broadcast International installs and operates private satellite communications systems that deliver background music,

point-to-multipoint data communications, in-store point-of-purchase advertising and video conferencing services. Through its wholly owned subsidiary, Bonneville Market Information, it also distributes financial market data and agricultural and energy commodity data to a wide variety of subscribers.

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BATAVIA, NY (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Graham Corp. (ASE:GHM) announced Wednesday that the Employee Stock Ownership Plan of Graham Corp. (the ''ESOP''), adopted by the board of directors on February 23, 1990 and effective as of January 1, 1990, acquired 43,010 shares of Graham common stock on August 7, 1990.

The ESOP is an employee benefit plan for both salaried and hourly-rate employees of Graham and certain other of its affiliates and is intended to be qualified as a stock bonus plan under section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

Of the 43,010 shares purchased by the ESOP, 21,505 shares were purchased from the company and 21,505 shares were purchased from Frederick D. Berkeley, the president and chairman of the board of the company. In each case the shares were purchased at a price of $23.25 per share, the closing price of the company's common stock on the American Stock Exchange on August 6, 1990.

Graham designs and manufactures vacuum and heat transfer equipment for the process industries.

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BATON ROUGE, LA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Piccadilly Cafterias Inc. (NASDAQ:PICC), Wednesday announced sales and earnings for the quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for the fourth quarter were $77,248,000, an increase of 4 percent

over sales of $73,956,000 recorded in the same period last year.

Net income for the fourth quarter increased 11 percent to $2,898,000 or 30 cents per share, from $2,612,000, or 27 cents per share, posted in the same quarter last year.

Sales for the year ended June 30, 1990 increased 11 percent to $306,655,000 from last year's $276,198,000. Net income for the 12 month period was $11,901,000, or $1.25 per share, compared to net income of $11,270,000, or $1.20 per share last year. Fiscal 1990 earnings include the second quarter nonoperating charge of $550,000, or 6 cents per share, incurred by Institutional Equipment & Interiors Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Piccadilly based in Elmhurst, Ill.

James C. Malmberg, president and chief executive officer, said that the fourth quarter earnings increase was primarily the result of improved margins, reflecting the company's successful efforts in controlling direct costs, namely food and labor.

''We are encouraged by our efforts in controlling direct costs, especially labor, in light of the pressure we face during the quarter from the mandatory increase in minimum wage compensation and soft customer counts.''

Malmberg added, ''The conclusion of the fourth quarter marks another year of growth and we expect continued growth in 1991 through higher sales volumes and efficient management of direct costs.''

Malmberg added that total customer traffic for the quarter decreased 1 percent over the last year while total customer traffic for the fiscal year increased 3 percent compared to last fiscal year, reflecting the contribution of new cafeterias opened. Customer traffic in cafeterias open during both fiscal years decreased 6 percent.

Piccadilly opened cafeterias during the quarter in Miami, and Nashville, Tenn. A total of nine new cafeterias were opened during fiscal 1990. Piccadilly opened a second new cafeteria in Nashville during July 1990.

Piccadilly currently owns and operates 142 cafeterias in 14 states and six Ralph & Kacoo's seafood restaurants. All operating units are company owned.

CONTACT: Piccadilly Cafeteriad Inc., Baton Rouge
Rodney A. Garrison, 504/293-9440
by
Financial Relations Board Inc., New York
Kerry Thalheim, 212/661-8030
Stephanie Rohlin, 312/266-7800 (in Chicago)

-30- 2779
#90220b0778 08/08/1990 ~Business Wire
LOS ANGELES (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - St. Ives Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ:SWIS) Wednesday announced that net sales for the three months ended June 30, 1990, were $26,757,000, a decrease of $1,894,000, or 6.6 percent, from sales of $28,651,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

Net income for the second quarter of 1990 was $961,000, or 14 cents per share, vs. $1,532,000, or 22 cents per share, for the comparable quarter in 1989.

Net sales for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, decreased 12.4 percent to $51,041,000 from $58,247,000 in the same period of 1989. This decrease was the result of a $7,842,000 decrease, or 18.7 percent, in Personal Care Products sales in the United States as well as a $755,000 decrease, or 6 percent, in the Custom Label business.

Internationally, Personal Care Products sales increased $1,391,000, or 39.2 percent, during this period.

The decrease in sales of Personal Care Products relates to the introduction of a new packaging format for SWISS FORMULA Hair Care System Packs, late in 1989, that was not accepted by the consumer, resulting in lower sales volume and lower operating margins during the six-month period. The company, when sensing the problem, converted back to the original packaging.

Company inventories and virtually all of the trade-warehouse inventories have been converted to the original format. The company believes the packaging difficulty has been solved.

Net income for the six-month period in 1990 was $1,633,000, or 24 cents per share, vs. $3,123,000, or 45 cents per share, for the comparable period in 1989.

CONTACT: St. Ives Laboratories Inc., Los Angeles
John L. Boyle, 818/709-5500

-30- 1869
#90220b0789 08/08/1990 ~Business Wire
BRIARCLIFF MANOR, NY (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc. has declared the dividend for the three-month period ending Sept. 15 on its Series B Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock in the amount of $1.00 per share.

The dividend is payable Sept. 15 to shareholders of record on Sept. 1. It

will be paid in shares of common stock of Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc., valued at 90% of the average closing price of the common stock over the 15 trading days immediately preceding Sept. 1. The Series B Preferred Stock and the Common Stock of Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc. are listed on the New York Stock Exchange and Pacific Stock Exchange.

Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc. is an international leader in providing insurance and reinsurance brokerage, employee benefits consulting, and risk management services.

CONTACT: Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc., Briarcliff Manor
Paul Cristiano, 914/742-3093

-30- 1108

#90220b0818 08/08/1990 ~Business Wire

WESTON, WV (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - A team of New Hampshire teenagers recently competed against 14 states during the 11th annual National 4-H Forestry Invitational, a four-day event sponsored by the International Paper Company Foundation.

About 60 teenagers from across the country tried their skills at tree measurement, forest evaluation and other forestry events during the event held July 30 - Aug. 2 at Jackson's Mill State 4-H Camp.

Boys and girls competed for overall team and individual awards in tree identification, insect and disease identification, compass orienteering, forest evaluation and tree measurement. Participants also took a written test in forestry and competed in the ''Forestry Bowl,'' an academic contest of forestry knowledge.

Representing New Hampshire were Jason Aiken, Claremont, H.H.; Sham Beaulieu, Epsom, N.H.; Tony Gilbert, Gilmanton, N.H.; and Sylvia Taylor, Lyneboro, N.H.

Team awards went to Georgia, first place; Arkansas, second; Florida, third; Tennessee, fourth; and Missouri, fifth.

Dennis Kurkendall, 19, of Mena, Ark., was the top individual scorer during the invitational.

Second was Jeff Bennett, 17, Statenville, Ga.; third, Dee Staten, 17, also of Statenville, Ga.; fourth, Lance Lavergne, 17, Ville Platte, La.; and fifth, Lamar Spells, 17, Lake Park, Ga.

Anneta Smith, 18, of Hayneville, Ala., earned the Joe Yeager Leadership award, given to the participant who demonstrated excellent communication, management, decision-making and interpersonal skills.

Participants hailed from Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Florida, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and West Virginia.

The 4-Hers learned firsthand the importance of managing and conserving woodlands as a source of products and for recreation.

International Paper is a major worldwide producer of wood pulp, printing and writing papers, paperboard and packaging products and wood products. The company also operates specialty products and distributes paper and wood products. International Paper has manufacturing operations in 22 countries and exports its products from the U.S. to more than 70 nations.

CONTACT: International Paper, Memphis
Kaye Dickie, 901/763-5954.

-30- 2494
#90220b0819 08/08/1990 ~Business Wire
DELMAR, N.Y. (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Mega Group Inc. (NASDAQ:MGIN) (''Mega'') Wednesday announced that the expiration date of its common stock purchase warrants has been extended from Aug. 15, 1990 to 5:00 p.m. (est) on Jan. 31, 1991.

Mega coordinates a network of insurance agencies providing insurance brokerage services throughout New York State. Mega places various types of insurance, including property, casualty and life insurance, for clients ranging from individuals to mid-size commercial and industrial accounts.

Mega's principal sources of revenue are insurance sales commissions and profit-sharing payments received from insurance carriers by its wholly owned agencies and fees paid by members of its cluster group of companies.

CONTACT: Mega Group Inc., Troy, N.Y.
Thomas W. Barner, 518/271-6044

-30- 1012
#90220b0827 08/08/1990 ~Business Wire
HOUSTON (AUG. 8) BIZWIRE - American Exploration Co. (ASE:AX) Wednesday announced that a registration statement including proxy materials relating to its acquisition of Hershey Oil Corp. was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The terms of the tax-free acquisition call for American Exploration to exchange 1.611 shares of AX common stock for each share of Hershey common stock. At the election of Hershey shareholders, American Exploration will

pay $7 in cash for up to 17.257 percent of the outstanding shares of Hershey common stock.

The acquisition is subject to approval by the shareholders of each company at special meetings to be held on Tuesday, Aug. 29.

CONTACT: American Exploration Co., New York
Kenneth J. Huffman, 212/644-6900
Hershey Oil Corp.,
Daniel N. Evans, 818/405-8888

-30- 1015

#90220b0838 08/08/1990 ~Business Wire

SHREVEPORT, LA (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Crystal Oil Co. (ASE:COR) Wednesday reported the operating results for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989.

Crystal Oil Co.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 6,413,000	$ 7,712,000	$14,446,000	$15,521,000
Income before provision in lieu of income taxes	$ 265,000	$ 1,343,000	$ 2,017,000	$ 2,831,000
Net income/a	$ 85,000	$ 802,000	$ 1,110,000	$ 1,683,000
Increase to equity/b	$ 235,000	$ 1,322,000	$ 1,952,000	$24,011,000
Income per common equivalent share	-0-	3 cents	4 cents	7 cents
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	25,294,820	24,354,124	25,294,672	22,978,105

(a) Includes the effect of a non-cash charge to operations of $100,000 and $520,000 in the three months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively, and $792,000 and $1,098,000 in the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 respectively, for a provision in lieu of income taxes for financial reporting purposes only. Because of the company's quasi-reorganization in 1986, the offset to such charge is to increase paid-in capital.

(b) Includes the effect of the closing of a discount to market common

stock rights offering in which the company raised approximately $21,230,000, net of expense in 1989 and the net effect of non-cash charges to operations for a provision in lieu of income taxes for financial reporting purposes only which is recorded as a credit to additional paid-in capital in 1990 and 1989.

CONTACT: Crystal Oil Co., Shreveport
L.G. Caskey, 318/222-7791

-30- 2129
#90220b0842 08/08/1990 ~Business Wire

LONG ISLAND CITY, NY (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Recoton Corporation (NASDAQ:RCOT) Wednesday reported results for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 increased 24% to $10,376,000 from $8,387,000 in the previous year's second quarter. The Company reported a net loss in the second quarter of 1990 of $48,000 or $.02 per share compared to net income of $14,000 or $.01 per share in the same period last year.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, sales were $21,121,000, an increase of 17% from the $18,009,000 reported in the first half of 1989. In the first half of 1990, there was a net loss of $146,000 or $.07 compared to net income of $249,000 or $.12 per share in the corresponding period the prior year.

The increase in sales for the current quarter and six months is primarily due to the addition of sales from Recoton's Calibron, Inc. subsidiary, the assets of which were acquired in September 1989, and from sales of Rembrandt antennas, which product was acquired in December 1989 from All Channel Products, Inc.

Net income in the first half of 1990 was adversely impacted by the weak economy. The consumer electronics industry has for at least the past six months been suffering from a lowered level of consumer buying and, as a result, most retailers have reduced their inventories by curtailing their purchases. The resulting increase in competition by suppliers aiming to protect their market shares has necessitated increased promotional expenses, thereby putting pressure on Recoton's profit margins.

Robert L. Borchardt, President, stated, ''Recoton continues to expand its leadership position in the consumer electronics accessory industry. Calibron and Rembrandt continued to contribute to our growth in this period and Recoton's assortments of video, audio, telephone and home office products available at many leading retailers performed very well in the first half of 1990.

''Blank video tape sales, which contributed to the Company's performance last year, have decreased substantially due to severe price competition among most leading brands. We anticipate that this category will contribute substantially less in sales for the balance of the year.''

Mr. Borchardt added, ''As we enter the fall, we have high expectations for our new wireless video sender, ''Room Service'', which we introduced to much acclaim at the June consumer electronics show in Chicago. Room Service transmits picture and sound from any source -- including over-the-air-broadcasts, cable, satellite transmissions, VCRs and camcorders -- to a television set in any other room without the use of wires.

''Recoton also introduced over 30 new products which will be sold during the balance of the year. Although we anticipate that sales will continue to be effected by the weak economy, we are optimistic about our prospects for the balance of the year.'' Recoton Corporation's products include over 1,000 accessories that are used for the maintenance, hookup, interconnection and enhancement of consumer electronics equipment, including video cassette recorders, audio equipment, telephones and personal computers.

RECOTON CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$10,376,000	$8,387,000	$21,121,000	$18,009,000
Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes	(96,000)	21,000	(246,000)	405,000
Income Tax Provision (Credits)	(48,000)	7,000	(100,000)	156,000
Net Income (Loss)	$ (48,000)	$ 14,000	$ (146,000)	$ 249,000
Earnings (Loss) per Share	$(.02)	$.01	$(.07)	$.12
Number of Shares Used in Computing Earnings per Share	1,981,000	2,039,000	1,981,000	2,045,000

CONTACT: Recoton Corporation, Long Island City
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by
The Equity Group Inc., New York
Tamara Ehlin, 212/836-9607.

-30- 4529
#90220b0844 08/08/1990 ~Business Wire

MESA, AZ (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Army combat helicopter pilots of the 21st century will concentrate more on the fight and less on the flight thanks to leap-ahead technology going into its new LH armed reconnaissance/attack helicopter.

This dramatic transformation is being demonstrated during evaluation flights this month in an LH surrogate helicopter by Army pilots at McDonnell Douglas/Bell Helicopter Textron LH SuperTeam headquarters in Arizona.

A modified AH-64 Apache attack helicopter, known as the Advanced Cockpit Evaluator (ACE), is serving as the LH surrogate during development. The ACE looks like an Apache except for its ominous coat of black paint and an LH SuperTeam logo. But inside, it's a helicopter of the future with capability that radically alters the way aircrews fly it and fight with it.

This leap forward in capability is made possible by advanced sensors, computers and information displays, and an advanced flight control system, according to Cap Parlier, a veteran combat helicopter pilot and SuperTeam director of test and evaluation. ''Carefree flying'' is the result, Parlier says.

In current generation combat rotorcraft a pilot has more than his hands full. He controls rotor thrust with a collective lever in his left hand and maneuvers with a cyclic control stick in his right.

He adjusts the aircraft's heading trim with directional control pedals while scanning numerous cockpit instruments and terrain ahead and below through the canopy. Meanwhile, he's mentally integrating all of these functions to fly his mission. Weapons targeting, delivery and intelligence-gathering tasks are superimposed on these flying responsibilities, and he must be ever alert to threats from enemy aircraft and air defense systems.

Five new systems installed in the SuperTeam's ACE will substantially simplify the LH pilot's flying workload and increase his ability to achieve military objectives such as targeting.

The SuperTeam is one of two industry teams competing for a contract to construct and demonstrate prototype LH helicopters during the upcoming full-scale engineering development phase of the LH program, scheduled to begin in January 1991.

The team is comprised of McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co., Bell Helicopter Textron and McDonnell Aircraft Co. The Army plans to replace 3,200 tactically obsolete, Vietnam-era helicopters with 1,875 LH helicopters.

CONTACT: McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co., Mesa
Ken Jensen, 602/891-2119

-30- 2701

#90220b0864 08/08/1990 ~Business Wire

MATTITUCK, NY (AUG. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - North Fork Bancorporation, Inc. (NYSE:NFB) announced Wednesday that, based on Eastchester Financial Corporation's (NASDAQ:ECFC) financial condition and results of operations for the period ending June 30, 1990, North Fork would not be prepared to consummate its previously announced agreement to acquire Eastchester at the price of $20 per share of Eastchester common stock.

However, North Fork said that it advised Eastchester representatives that North Fork would be willing to acquire Eastchester on significantly revised terms. North Fork stated that it is unable to assess at this time whether or not Eastchester will agree to enter into a transaction under revised terms.

As previously announced, North Fork Bancorporation, Inc. and Eastchester Financial Corporation entered into a merger agreement on Apr. 18, 1990, pursuant to which Eastchester Financial Corporation was to merge with a subsidiary of North Fork Bancorporation, Inc.

CONTACT: North Fork Bancorporation, Mattituck
Frank J. Dell'Aglio, 516/298-5000
by
Morgen-Walke Associates, New York
Edward Nebb or Bill Newbould, 212/986-5900

-30- 1348

#90220c0002 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:20 that trade in Phoenix Medical Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: PHNX) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1 3/4. The company is located in Andrews, SC.

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#90220c0003 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:41 that trade in Alcom LTD has been halted pending news. The ticker symbol is ROM.

-30- 265

#90220c0005 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on

July 27, 1990, Datronic Rental Corp.(TICKER: DRC) appointed Price Waterhouse as its independent accountants, replacing Weiss & Co.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

Datronic Rental's executive office is located at 425 N. Martingale Road, Schaumburg, Illinois 60173 and its telephone number is (708) 330-1050.

-30- 1031

#90220c0006 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 11, 1989, PNB Financial Group(TICKER: PNBF) entered into an agreement with Merchant House, a California corporation.

Pursuant to the agreement, Merchant House acquired 734,375 units of PNB Financial.

On Feb. 18, 1990, Terry M. Giles, an individual residing in California, purchased all of the outstanding shares of Merchant House from its existing shareholders.

Accordingly, Terry M. Giles is now the sole owner of all shares in Merchant House, which owns approximately 50.22 percent of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock and 100 percent of the issued and outstanding warrants of PNB Financial.

PNB Financial's executive office is located at 4665 MacArthur Court, Newport Beach, California 92660 and its telephone number is (714) 851-1033.

-30- 993

#90220c0007 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 25, 1990, a lawsuit was filed by Mario J. Gabelli against Sikes Corp.(TICKER: SKA), certain of its current and former directors, Premark International Inc. and PMI Acquisition Co.

The suit relates to the acquisition of Sikes by PMI Acquisition Co., a subsidiary of Premark International Inc.

Sikes Corp. believes the lawsuit is without merit.

The executive office of Sikes Corp. is located at One Sikes Blvd., Lakeland, Florida 33801 and its telephone number is (813) 687-7171.

-30- 694

#90220c0008 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 27, 1990, American Health Care Management Inc.(TICKER: AHI) appointed Ernst & Young as its independent accountants, replacing Coopers & Lybrand.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

However, these reports are modified to refer to the uncertainties relating to American Health Care Management Inc.'s operation of its business as debtor-in-possession under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code from Aug. 7, 1989 until Dec. 29, 1989, the effective date of American Health Care Management Inc.'s plan of reorganization.

The report of Coopers & Lybrand on American Health Care's financial statements for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989 was further modified as to the uncertainty regarding the ability of American Health Care Management Inc. to generate sufficient cash flows to meet all of its requirements under the plan of reorganization.

American Health Care Management Inc.'s executive office is located at 14160 Dallas Parkway, Suite 900, Dallas, Texas 75240 and its telephone number is (214) 385-7000.

-30- 1713

#90220c0009 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Rio Algom LTD has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ROM. Trading was resumed at 10:07.

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#90220c0010 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY OMNICORP INTERNATIONAL BV OWNS 3,973,426 SHARES (40.80%) OF CHECKROBOT INC (TICKER: CKRB) OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT: On Aug. 3, 1990, Omnicorp International BV, through their subsidiary, OmniCorp Holdings Inc., committed to loan up to $2,500,000 to Checkrobot pursuant to a commitment letter. The first part of the loan, the bridge loan was made on Aug. 3, 1990 and is due on Sept. 3, 1990. In turn, Checkrobot Inc. has agreed to expand the present board from 7 to 11 and to elect designees of Omnicorp International BV to those seats and to call its regular stockholders meeting as soon as possible. In consideration for making the loan, Checkrobot Inc. will grant the subsidiary loan warrants to purchase up to 3,500,000 shares of Checkrobot Inc.'s common stock upon the execution of the loan documents. On April 11, 1990, the subsidiary was issued 72,920 common shares of Checkrobot Inc., in lieu of cash dividends on the subsidiary's series A and series B preferred stock.

PURPOSE:

Bridge loan and commitment letter.

-30- 1275
#90220c0011 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 3, 1990, certain D.G. Frey sent a letter to Mr. Richard L. Antonini, and similar letters to each of the members of the board, requesting consideration for representation on the board of the Irrevocable Trust and the Frey Foundation, regular communication between shareholders and the board, and the board's expression of interest in the purchase of Foremost Corporation of America (TICKER: FCOA).

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#90220c0013 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

G.N. FARIS OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 9,979,246 SHARES (42.57%) OF AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP (TICKER: AIPN) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 825,000 shares issuable upon exercise of options owned by Dr. Faris.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 3, 1989, Mr. Faris gave a gift of 200,000 shares to an undisclosed party.

-30- 577
#90220c0014 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

G.N. FARIS OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 10,179,246 SHARES (47.76%) OF AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP (TICKER: AIPN) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 825,000 shares issuable upon exercise of options owned by Dr. Faris.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

In April 1989, G.N. Faris acquired 100,000 shares of stock options which are exercisable at $1.50 per share.

-30- 603
#90220c0015 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

G.N. FARIS OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 10,072,246 SHARES (53.56%) OF AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP (TICKER: AIPN) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 725,000 shares issuable upon exercise of options owned by Dr. Faris.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Dec. 1, 1988 and February 1989 G.N. Faris purchased 300,000 shares at an undisclosed price, gave a gift of 23,000 share to his wife, and sold 110,000 shares at a price of $1.81 to $2.02 per share.

-30- 702
#90220c0016 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

G.N. FARIS OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 9,875,246 SHARES (52.52%) OF AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP (TICKER: AIPN) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 725,000 shares issuable upon exercise of options owned by Dr. Faris.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 29, 1988, G.N. Faris sold 30,000 shares at a price of $1.94 per

share.

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#90220c0017 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

G.N. FARIS OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 9,905,246 SHARES (52.68%) OF AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP (TICKER: AIPN) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 725,000 shares issuable upon exercise of options owned by Dr. Faris.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 1, 1988, G.N. Faris privately purchased 20,100 shares for the consideration for making a loan. On Nov. 3, 1988, G.N. Faris purchased 466,666 shares at a price of $.75 per share in a debenture conversion. On Nov. 18, 1988, G.N. Faris gave a give of 135,000 shares to an undisclosed person.

-30- 797
#90220c0018 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

G.N. FARIS OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 10,020,146 SHARES (58.61%) OF AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP (TICKER: AIPN) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 725,000 shares issuable upon exercise of options owned by Dr. Faris.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 19, 1988, in an open market sale, G.N. Faris sold 138,000 shares at a price of $1 per share.

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#90220c0019 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWNS 1,883,600 SHARES (14.40%) OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC (TICKER: LQM) OF SAN ANTONIO, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Industrial Equity Pacific LTD purchased 174,700 shares from May 9 to Aug. 3, 1990 for $13.95 to $15.16 per share.

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#90220c0021 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY UNIVERSAL PROCESS EQUIPMENT INC OWNS 181,000 SHARES (11.40%) OF BETHLEHEM CORP (TICKER: BET) OF EASTON, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a stock purchase agreement dated July 27, 1990, R. Gale and J. Gale each purchased 70,000 shares from James Leuthe for $222,500 and UPE purchased 30,000 shares for $94,500. The agreement limits the acquisition of shares by Universal Process Equipment Inc. without consent from Bethlehem Corp. that would give them more than 20 percent of the class of stock. The Gales then granted on July 27, 1990 a security interest in the 140,000 shares to Leuthe to secure the notes.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 31, 1990, UPE purchased 11,000 shares for $1.88 to $2 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90220c0022 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GARRET MANUFACTURING INC OWNS 213,624 SHARES (13.50%) OF BETHLEHEM CORP (TICKER: BET) OF EASTON, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 27, 1990, Garret and Nikki each transferred 40,000 shares to Leuthe. Pursuant to a stock purchase agreement dated July 27, 1990, R. Gale and J. Gale each purchased 70,000 shares from James Leuthe for $222,500 and Universal Process Equipment Inc. purchased 30,000 shares for $94,500. The agreement limits the acquisition of shares by Garret Manufacturing Inc. without consent from Bethlehem Corp. that would give them more than 20 percent of the class of stock. The Gales then granted on July 27, 1990 a security interest in the 140,000 shares to Leuthe to secure the notes.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 968
#90220c0023 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:22 that trade in Southern Mineral Corp. (NASDAQ: SMIN) has been resumed. The first bid was 4 7/8; down 3/8 point from the halt and unchanged from the previous close.

-30- 364
#90220c0024 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:05 that trade in Petroleum Equipment Tools Co. (NASDAQ: PTCO) has been halted pending news. The last saled was 6 1/2. The company is located in Houston, TX.

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#90220c0025 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

KELLWOOD CO OF ST. LOUIS, MO OWNS 4,189,167 SHARES (93.70%) OF DECORP INC (TICKER: D.DPW) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 1, 1990, Kellwood Co. and its wholly-owned subsidiary DCI Acquisition Co. entered into a merger agreement with DeCorp Inc. and Michael D. Coit, pursuant to which Decorp Inc. will merge with and into DCI Acquisition Co. upon shareholders' approval at the September 1990 meeting. Following consummation of the merger, registration of the common stock of Decorp Inc. will be terminated.

PURPOSE:

Merger agreement.

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#90220c0026 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY C.E. PARENTE OF WILKES-BARRE, PA OWNS 4,572,893 SHARES (53.88%) OF C-TEC CORP (TICKER: CTEX) OF WILKES-BARRE, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This schedule 13D transaction represents Amendment No. 9 for Group and Amendment No 11 for Charles E. Parente. Pursuant to the shareholders' agreement, each shareholder of ECC is required to use his or its best efforts to cause any shares of C-TEC stock owned by ECC or subsidiary of ECC to be voted only as determined by an affirmative vote of a majority of

the whole board of directors, inclusive of proxies. Pursuant to an agreement dated June 30, 1985 among SEI, National Tree Surgeons Inc., and George B. Sordoni, SEI has a right of first refusal to purchase any shares or voting trust certificates, that George B. Sordoni may elect to sell. This right of first refusal currently applies to voting trust certificates with respect to 350,000 shares currently held by SEI under the voting trust agreement and will apply to the 350,000 shares subject to the voting trust agreement following its expiration on June 30, 1995.

-30- 1285
#90220c0027 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

STOREBRAND AMERICA INC OWNS 2,963,100 SHARES (49.90%) OF BELVEDERE CORP (TICKER: BLV) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 6, 1990, Christiania, on behalf of Storebrand America, Inc. delivered a letter to Belvedere Corp. extending the expiration date of the merger offer to September 7, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Extension of merger expiration date.

-30- 566
#90220c0029 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 22

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Since July 30, 1990, there have been and continue to be discussions between the Partnership and Pic n Save Corp.(TICKER: PICN) relating to a settlement along the lines described in schedule 13d, amendment no. 21. There can be no assurance, however, that any settlement will be reached.

PURPOSE:

Settlement discussions.

-30- 562
#90220c0030 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 12 and July 23, 1990, RCM Partners LP sold 21,100 shares for $5.13 to $5.63 per share.

-30- 370
#90220c0031 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

SUNDSTRAND CORPORATION OWNS 796,000 SHARES (14.99%) OF MILTON ROY CO (TICKER: MRC) OF ST. PETERSBURG, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 27, 1990, Milton Roy Co. notified Sundstrand that it is willing to discuss Sundstrand's proposal to acquire Milton Roy Co. and that it would not opt out of any of the provisions of Pennsylvania's anti-takeover law. On Aug. 3, Sundstrand and Milton Roy Co. entered into a confidentiality/standstill agreement.

PURPOSE:

Confidentiality/standstill agreement.

-30- 707
#90220c0033 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:35 that trade in Gemini Capital Corp.(NASDAQ: GEMI) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 5-5 1/8. The company is located in Van Buren, AZ.

-30- 344
#90220c0034 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - Business Houston-based Tuboscope Inc., a unit of Tuboscope Corp.(TICKER: TUBO), has acquired Sound Optics Systems Inc., which does business as Sound Optical Systems Inc., for $15.77 million, consisting of $11.77 million in cash and a $4 million note.

Sound Optical provides ultrasonic inspection services for tubular petroleum equipment, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 7, 1990

-30- 676
#90220c0035 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - Murfreesboro, Tenn.-based Pricor Inc. (TICKER: PRCO) has acquired Broad Horizons of Ramona Inc., a Ramona, Calif.-based provider of psychiatric treatment for juveniles, from National Psychiatric Centers Inc. for $2 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 7, 1990

-30- 558
#90220c0036 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - Whirlpool Corp.(TICKER: WHR), the Benton Harbor, Mich., appliance manufacturer, has agreed with Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. to operate Matsushita Floor Care Co. in the production of vacuum cleaners for the U.S. and export markets, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 7, 1990

-30- 578
#90220c0038 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - DSC Communications Corp.(TICKER: DIGI), a Plano, Texas, telecommunications equipment maker, has acquired Optilink Corp., a Petaluma, Calif.-based designer and manufacturer of optical-fiber carrier systems, for $54 million cash, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 7, 1990

-30- 542
#90220c0039 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - La Jolla, Calif.-based Watson General Pictures Inc.(TICKER: WTGR) has agreed to buy 1.2 million common shares of TRI-R Systems Corp. for $1 million, increasing its stake in TRI-R to 27.9 percent, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

As part of the private placement deal between the two companies, Watson will receive two seats on the five-member TRI-R board of directors.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 7, 1990

-30- 663
#90220c0040 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:41 that trade in Phoenix Medical Tech. Inc. (NASDAQ: PHNX) has been resumed. The first sale was 1 5/8; down 5/8 point from the halt and the previous close.

-30- 363
#90220c0041 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:55 that trade in Petroleum Equipment Tools Inc. (NASDAQ: PTCO) has been resumed. The first sale was 6 3/4; up 1/4 point from the halt and previous close.

-30- 359
#90220c0042 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the NASD shows Kestrel Acquisitions Inc. is seeking to offer 50 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock, one Class A warrant and

one Class B warrant.

The initial public offering price is $0.005 (one half of one cent) per unit.

Tri-Bradley Investments Inc. is underwriting the offering.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

Kenstrel Acquisitions Inc.'s executive office is located at 29713 Troutdale Scenic Drive, Evergreen, Colorado 80439 and its telephone number is (303) 674-4211.

-30- 851

#90220c0043 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 7:

Chester County Bancshares Inc. (CCBA)
Keene Corp. (KEEN)
Vanguard Real Estate Fund II Shares of Beneficial Interest (VRETS)

-30- 353

#90220c0044 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - Mayor's Jewelers Inc. (MAYJ) was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 8. The issue was postponed, security never quoted.

Care Plus Inc. - Cl A Wts 8/13/90 (CPLSZ) was deleted from NASDAQ effective Aug. 7. The warrants expire 8/13/90.

-30- 396

#90220c0046 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:53 that trade in Unitrin Inc.(NASDAQ: UNIT) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 29 1/4. The company is located in Chicago, IL.

-30- 326

#90220c0047 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Exhibit no. 1 is being filed in replacement of exhibit no. 1 to the schedule 13D.

-30- 287
#90220c0048 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY C.J. WALSH OWNS 4,477,951 SHARES (10.17%) OF PLANO PETROLEUM CORP (TICKER: PLNO) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This transaction involved the sale of warrants back to Plano Petroleum Corp. by the individuals who had purchased them less than sixty days earlier. The consideration paid by Plano Petroleum Corp. for these warrants was the same consideration paid by the individuals when they purchased them from Plano Petroleum Corp., $.0001 per warrant. C.J. Walsh ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than 5 percent of the class of securities on July 15, 1989.

PURPOSE:

To rescind the sale of warrants by Plano Petroleum Corp. to its shareholders.

-30- 894
#90220c0049 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY MIM BRITANNIA LTD OWNS 20,317,700 SHARES (24.62%) OF OAK INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: OAK) OF RANCHO BERNARDO, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 31, 1990, Mimi Britainnia LTD purchased 1,020,000 shares for $.88 to $.57 per share and sold 1,000,000 shares for $.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 525
#90220c0050 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The management subscription agreements for Motel 6 LP (TICKER: six) have been amended to delete references to the exchange of units in section 2.3 and to add a reference to a spin-off or other substantial distribution of cash or assets to section 4.6.

-30- 459
#90220c0051 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 22

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 6, 1990, the Chancery Court denied Stahl's motion seeking an order to vacate the Court's denial on May 17, 1990 of the purchaser's application for a preliminary injunction and requiring that the 1990 meeting be convened on or before Sept. 14, 1990. The court stated that if on Sept. 15, 1990, Stahl brought a motion to order a meeting to be held, the court would be strongly inclined to order a meeting be held by Oct. 1, 1990.

-30- 645
#90220c0053 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

GROUP LED BY D.C. WALENTAS OWNS 336,100 SHARES (6.82%) OF BUILDERS TRANSPORT INC (TICKER: TRUK) OF CAMDEN, SC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 18, 1990, Walentas and Dinstein met with senior management of Builders Transport Inc. to discuss alternatives to a proxy contest that D.C. Walentas have proposed. D.C. Walentas expect to gain control of Builders Transport Inc. in the event of a proxy contest or at the very least request a majority of seats on the board or the election of Mayoras as CEO and Walentas as chairman of the board. Builders Transport Inc. rejected the request and offered two nominees to D.C. Walentas and expressed its willingness to cooperate in a due diligence review regarding Walentas' possible acquisition of Builders Transport Inc., providing that D.C. Walentas refrain from a proxy contest, to which Walentas refused. On July 27, 1990, D.C. Walentas entered into agreements with Arthur Baxter and George Hirschorn that are similar to the agreement with Frederick Morton described in amendment no. 9 to this 13D.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 13, 1990, Mayoras purchased 3,000 shares for $9.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Proxy contest.

-30- 1396

#90220c0055 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows DCX Inc.(TICKER: DCXI) earned $61,209, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $617,629 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $63,372, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $782,445 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 453

#90220c0056 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mark Controls Corp.(TICKER: MRCC) earned $753,000, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $20.62 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $835,000, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $19.29 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 485

#90220c0057 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 30, 1990, Deloitte & Touche notified First Executive Corp. (TICKER: FEXC) that it declined to stand for re-election as First Executive Corp.'s independent accountants.

In June 1990, First Executive hired William L. Sanders, the partner-in-charge of auditing First Executive for Deloitte & Touche, as First Executive's chief financial officer.

Since that time, First Executive has hired a number of former employees of Deloitte & Touche who participated in the audit of First Executive.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified.

However, such report was modified to include explanatory paragraphs as to the uncertainty of certain matters.

-30- 984

#90220c0058 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Park Communications Inc.(TICKER: PARC) earned $5.87 million, or $0.28 per share on revenues of $42.77 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $5.83 million, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $43.22 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 497

#90220c0059 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Financial Resources Marketing Corp. lost $46,914, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $60,594 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $40,114, at an unknown price per share,

on revenues of $209,521 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 494

#90220c0060 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 1, 1990, Security Environmental Systems Inc.(TICKER: SENV) appointed BDO Seidman as its independent accountants, replacing Deloitte & Touche.

Deloitte & Touche's report for the fiscal year of Security Environmental Systems Inc. ended June 30, 1989, contained the following qualification as to uncertainty:

"As discussed in Note 9c of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, a number of lawsuits have been filed against the company. The ultimate outcome of the litigation cannot presently be determined. Accordingly, no provision for any liability that may result upon adjudication has been made in the accompanying financial statement."

"The accompanying consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 1989 have been prepared assuming that the company will continue as a going concern. As discussed in Note 2, conditions exist which raise substantial doubt about the company's ability to continue as a going concern unless it is able to generate sufficient cash flows to exercise its option for its operating property, meet its obligations and sustain its operations. Management's plan in regards to these matters are also described in Note 2. The consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty."

Security Environmental Systems Inc.'s executive office is located at 7245-D Garden Grove Blvd., Garden Grove, CA 92641 and its telephone number is (213) 431-8486.

-30- 1743

#90220c0061 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Metro Cable Corp.(TICKER: METO) earned $8,205, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $26,313 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $73,967 (including a gain on sale of marketable securities of $240,883), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $32,349 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 514

#90220c0063 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows

Interference Control Technologies Inc.(TICKER: ICTX) lost $1.56 million (including a loss of $520,906 from discontinued operations), or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $5.03 million for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989.

This compares with net income of $84,333, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $4.88 million in 1988.

Interference Control Technologies Inc.'s executive office is located at P.O. Box D, State Route 625, Gainesville, Virginia 22065 and its telephone number is (703) 347-0030.

-30- 733
#90220c0064 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:58 that trade in Unitrin Inc. (NASDAQ: UNIT) has been resumed. The first sale was 30; up 7/8 point from the halt, and up 3/4 point from the previous close.

-30- 344
#90220c0065 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D. FRIEND OF 267 CLARENDON ST, BOSTON, MA 02116, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,812 SHARES OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO.(TICKER: SDEV) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 2, 1990.

(SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO. TEL: 617 337-0877)

-30- 414
#90220c0066 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.F. VENTURA OF 100 BISHOP HOLLOW RD, MEDIA, PA 19063, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EXTENDED PRODUCT LIFE INC.(TICKER: EXED) THROUGH SHAMROCK PARTNERS LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 2, 1990.

(EXTENDED PRODUCT LIFE INC. TEL: 303 457-3375)

-30- 437
#90220c0067 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. HOLMBERG OF 9008 BLOSSOM LANE, LOUISVILLE, KY 40299, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF SKOLNIKS INC. (TICKER: SKNS) THROUGH J.J.B. HILLIARD.

THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 3, 1990.

(SKOLNIKS INC. TEL: 502 267-7667)

-30- 393
#90220c0068 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. HOLMBERG OF 9008 BLOSSOM LANE, LOUISVILLE, KY 40242, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF SKOLNIKS INC. (TICKER: SKNS) THROUGH HILLIARD-LYONS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 3, 1990.

(SKOLNIKS INC. TEL: 502 267-7667)

-30- 395
#90220c0069 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J. LOCKE OF 2408 KARLI DR, LAS VEGAS, NV 89102, HAS FILED TO SELL 1,346,900 SHARES OF CELESTA CORP. THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 6, 1990.

(CELESTA CORP. TEL: 702 877-0414)

-30- 373
#90220c0071 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P.W. KELLAWAY OF 6737#201 FRIAPS RD, SAN DIEGO, CA 92108, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF GOLDEN QUEST INC. THROUGH RCL NORTHWEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 6, 1990.

(GOLDEN QUEST INC. TEL: 509 325-7106)

-30- 399
#90220c0072 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L. DEVERA OF 312 DOLOMITE DRIVE STE 212, DOWNSVIEW ONTARIO CA, OV, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,688 SHARES OF OFFICELAND INC. (TICKER: OFLD) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 6, 1990.

(OFFICELAND INC. TEL: 416 736-4000)

-30- 407
#90220c0073 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K.D. KRAUSMAN OF 2073 S PEARL ST, DENVER, CO 80210, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF W-W CAPITAL CORP. THROUGH H.T. FLETCHER SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 6, 1990.

(W-W CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 316 227-7111)

-30- 390
#90220c0074 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHOENIX RADIOLOGY LTD DB PLAN OF FIVE HIGH RIDGE PARK, STAMFORD, CT 06905, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF NYCOM INFORMATION SERVICES INC. (TICKER: NYCM) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(NYCOM INFORMATION SERVICES INC. TEL: 203 322-7300)

-30- 480
#90220c0075 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT J NIELSON OF 46 WEST 300 SOUTH, SUITE 235, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84101, HAS FILED TO SELL 700,000 SHARES OF AMERALIA INC. (TICKER: AALA) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 01, 1990.

(AMERALIA INC. TEL: 801 596-2622)

-30- 415
#90220c0076 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROY L FAULKS OF 1621 WOODLAKE DR, 0, COLUMBIA, SC 29206, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF THE SEIBELS BRUCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: SBIG) THROUGH SOUTH CAROLINA NATL BK. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(THE SEIBELS BRUCE GROUP INC. TEL: 803 748-2000)

-30- 443

#90220c0077 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK ROSS OF 300 EAST 74TH STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF TRVLSYS INC. (TICKER: RITE) THROUGH M RIMSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(TRVLSYS INC. TEL: 505 265-5791)

-30- 385
#90220c0079 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LARRY M BLINCHIKOFF OF 1130 SW 16TH ST, BOCA RATON, FL 33432, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,394 SHARES OF MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. (TICKER: MIXX) THROUGH J.W. GANT & ASSOCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. TEL: 303 792-0079)

-30- 442
#90220c0080 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEE FISCHER OF 9621 HILLRIDGE DR, KENSINGTON, MD 20895, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,395 SHARES OF MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. (TICKER: MIXX) THROUGH J.W. GANT & ASSOCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. TEL: 303 792-0079)

-30- 429
#90220c0081 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERNEST A KERSHAW OF 2526 SW 12TH ST, BOYNTON BCH, FL 33426, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,395 SHARES OF MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. (TICKER: MIXX) THROUGH J.W. GANT & ASSOCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. TEL: 303 792-0079)

-30- 436
#90220c0082 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD F OLKER OF 5981 VISTA LOOP, SAN JOSE, CA 95124, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ZITEL CORP. (TICKER: ZITL) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(ZITEL CORP. TEL: 408 946-9600)

-30- 381
#90220c0083 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PERRY CONSTANTINE OF 20490 GLASGOW DR, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF LSI LOGIC CORP. (TICKER: LSI) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(LSI LOGIC CORP. TEL: 408 263-9494)

-30- 406
#90220c0084 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLAYTON D WOOD OF 600 SOUTH CHERRY, SUITE 105, DENVER, CO 80222, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH TRI-BRADLEY INVSTMNTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-7330)

-30- 419
#90220c0085 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK K BRADFORD JR OF 119 WEST SHORE DR, MARBLEHEAD, MA 01945, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF INDEX TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: INDX) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(INDEX TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 494-8200)

-30- 435
#90220c0087 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE RABIN OF 16 EVERS STREET, HICKSVILLE, NY 11801, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,000 SHARES OF LOGIMETRICS INC. (TICKER: LOGI) THROUGH SHEARSON

LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(LOGIMETRICS INC. TEL: 516 349-1700)

-30- 406
#90220c0088 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALTER K LEDGARD JR OF 3 GRANDVIEW DR, HOLMDEL, NJ 07733, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF BRISTOL RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: BRCC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(BRISTOL RESEARCH CORP. TEL: 714 642-3373)

-30- 429
#90220c0089 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVESTMENTS AGS OF 289 LEZAK ROAD, P O BOX 518, SEALY, TX 77474, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,907 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH JONES GABLE & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 409 885-4158)

-30- 403
#90220c0090 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BILLY BROWNE OF P O BOX 796, SAN FELIPE, TX 77400, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 389
#90220c0091 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DENNIS DRIBIN OF 226 INDIAN CREEK RD, OVERBROOK, PA 19151, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF PLASMA-THERM INC. (TICKER: PTIS) THROUGH GILFORD SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(PLASMA-THERM INC. TEL: 609 767-6120)

-30- 404
#90220c0092 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LISA DRIBIN OF 226 INDIAN CREEK RD, OVERBROOK, PA 19151, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF PLASMA-THERM INC. (TICKER: PTIS) THROUGH GILFORD SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(PLASMA-THERM INC. TEL: 609 767-6120)

-30- 400
#90220c0093 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BEVERLY DRIBIN OF 226 INDIAN CREEK RD, OVERBROOK, PA 19151, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF PLASMA-THERM INC. (TICKER: PTIS) THROUGH GILFORD SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(PLASMA-THERM INC. TEL: 609 767-6120)

-30- 403
#90220c0095 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM H CROUSE OF 2150 WIMBLEDON CIRCLE, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91361, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,400 SHARES OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI) THROUGH PARSONS SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. TEL: 800 752-7377)

-30- 459
#90220c0096 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFFREY RUBIN OF 171 RADFORD ST, YONKERS, NY 10705, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF ZFAX IMAGE CORP. (TICKER: ZFAX) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(ZFAX IMAGE CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 397
#90220c0097 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - GIRI INC OF 1020 15TH ST #21-F, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,500 SHARES OF FOLIAGE PLUS INC. (TICKER: FOLI) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(FOLIAGE PLUS INC. TEL: 612 445-0257)

-30- 395
#90220c0098 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEWEY R IMHOFF OF 28 WARREN TRAIL, 0, DENVILLE, NJ 07830, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF BIOSEARCH MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: BMPI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(BIOSEARCH MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 201 722-5000)

-30- 447
#90220c0099 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS C HOWARD OF 25464 BIRCHWOODS DR, NOVI, MI 48050, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF NATIONAL TECHTEAM INC. (TICKER: TEAM) THROUGH OHIO COMPANY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(NATIONAL TECHTEAM INC. TEL: 313 277-2277)

-30- 414
#90220c0100 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J CARLYLE COX OF 821 GLENWOOD DR, 0, GAINESVILLE, GA 30501, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF CYTRX CORP. (TICKER: CYTR) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(CYTRX CORP. TEL: 404 368-9500)

-30- 393
#90220c0101 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R LEE MYERS OF 9216 O'NEAL RD, RALEIGH, NC 27613, HAS FILED TO SELL

35,000 SHARES OF COMPUCHEM CORP. (TICKER: CCEM) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(COMPUCHEM CORP. TEL: 919 549-8263)

-30- 396
#90220c0103 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARVIN S HAUSMAN OF 1341 OCEAN AVE, SUITE 372, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 426
#90220c0104 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DWIGHT A HOLDER OF P O BOX 998, PICKENS, SC 29671, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,777 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 392
#90220c0105 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAFFE ENERGY INC OF 1770 SKY PLACE BLVD, 0, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78216, HAS FILED TO SELL 521,450 SHARES OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(APACHE CORP. TEL: 303 837-5072)

-30- 409
#90220c0106 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORMAN H BLOCK OF 26670 HAVEY CREEK RD, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA 90274, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,700 SHARES OF DYNASTY CLASSICS CORP. (TICKER: DNST) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(DYNASTY CLASSICS CORP. TEL: 213 834-3637)

-30- 442
#90220c0107 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B J MOORE OF 15305 ELM PARK, MONTE SERENO, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ADAPTEC INC. (TICKER: ADPT) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(ADAPTEC INC. TEL: 408 945-8600)

-30- 392
#90220c0108 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL F ROGERS OF 7116 PAR LANE NE, VANCOUVER, WA 98662, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,730 SHARES OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(ALLWASTE INC. TEL: 713 623-8777)

-30- 394
#90220c0109 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT L RAIN OF 3643 DAUPHINE, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,998 SHARES OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 708 948-2000)

-30- 422
#90220c0111 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS K LEMON OF 9315 DICKSON RD, FT WORTH, TX 76179, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN CREDIT OPTICAL INC. (TICKER: ACOI) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(AMERICAN CREDIT OPTICAL INC. TEL: 817 332-4008)

-30- 443
#90220c0112 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD J BURCH OF 1465 FAIRWAY DR, LOS ALTOS, CA 94022, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

-30- 390
#90220c0113 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PARKER DRILLING BONUS TRUST FUND OF 8 EAST 3RD STREET, PARKER BLDG, TULSA, OK 74103, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF PARKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: PKD) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(PARKER DRILLING CO. TEL: 918 585-8221)

-30- 462
#90220c0114 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED CURRY OF 3131 ROBINSON RD, MISSOURI CITY, TX 77450, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,055 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7008)

-30- 390
#90220c0115 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SENECA VENTURES OF 39 WOODLAND ROAD, 0, ROSLYN, NY 11576, HAS FILED TO SELL 202,000 SHARES OF HELIAN HEALTH GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGR) THROUGH WHALE SECS CO L P. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(HELIAN HEALTH GROUP INC. TEL: 408 646-9000)

-30- 437
#90220c0116 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY A MOSKO OF 1380 SOUTH FEDERAL, DENVER, CO 80219, HAS FILED TO SELL 34,866 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 391
#90220c0117 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TERRY COUNTERMINE OF 1151 MCKINLEY AVE, AUBURN, AL 36830, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF MARKITSTAR INC. (TICKER: MARK) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(MARKITSTAR INC. TEL: 212 629-5777)

-30- 404
#90220c0119 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FACKA CHARLES G TRUST OF 2550 BERNER ST, FORT WORTH, TX 76111, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,888 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 332-7000)

-30- 406
#90220c0120 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BILLY PUGH OF 4242 GULF BREEZE #502, CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78402, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HOSS) THROUGH GREENMAN PARKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES INC. TEL: 409 762-8228)

-30- 443
#90220c0121 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GORDON A CAMPBELL OF 3050 ZANKER ROAD, SAN JOSE, CA 94134, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH

GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 438
#90220c0122 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY G HENDRIX OF 216 MARMONA DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SYMANTEC CORP. (TICKER: SYMC) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(SYMANTEC CORP. TEL: 408 253-9600)

-30- 400
#90220c0123 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BEAUFORT INVESTMENTS LTD OF 410 UNIVERSITY AVE, WESTWOOD, MA 02090, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CORPORATE SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: CSOF) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(CORPORATE SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 617 329-3500)

-30- 448
#90220c0124 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN DOLPHIN OF 520 STATION AVE, 0, GLENSIDE, PA 19038, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,271 SHARES OF FIRST EASTERN CORP. (TICKER: FEBC) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(FIRST EASTERN CORP. TEL: 717 826-4623)

-30- 415
#90220c0125 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SMITH DAVID H B TRUST OF 8501 W HIGGINS RD, CHICAGO, IL 60631, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. TEL: 312 693-3040)

-30- 445
#90220c0127 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEO B SHPIZ OF 15 CRAWFORD ST, NEEDHAM, MA 02194, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,900 SHARES OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(COGNEX CORP. TEL: 617 449-6030)

-30- 386
#90220c0128 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL CHING HU OF 14200 BERRY HILL LANE, LOS ALTOS HILLS, CA 94022, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. TEL: 503 681-0118)

-30- 451
#90220c0129 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAM N WILSON OF 11 ABBOTS FORD CT, DALLAS, TX 75225, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF INTERTRANS CORP. (TICKER: ITRN) THROUGH SAN JACINTO SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(INTERTRANS CORP. TEL: 214 258-4888)

-30- 404
#90220c0130 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THERESA M WEEDEN OF P O BOX 100968, FORT WORTH, TX 76185, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,664 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 391
#90220c0131 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL P DE ANGELO OF 5325 EAST HUNTER AVE, ANAHEIM, CA 92807, HAS FILED TO SELL 76,000 SHARES OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(THE CLOTHESTIME INC. TEL: 714 779-5881)

-30- 423
#90220c0132 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT L RAIN OF 3643 DAUPHINE, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,998 SHARES OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 708 948-2000)

-30- 422
#90220c0133 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN SHERWIN JR OF 454 HANNA BLDG, CLEVELAND, OH 44115, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF BRUSH WELLMAN INC. (TICKER: BW) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(BRUSH WELLMAN INC. TEL: 216 443-1000)

-30- 411
#90220c0135 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLEN GRIMSLEY OF P O BOX 630, ROCKY FORD, CO 81067, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF UTILITECH INC. (TICKER: UTLL) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(UTILITECH INC. TEL: 213 441-4119)

-30- 395
#90220c0136 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT D GOLDSTEIN OF 784 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF INSTA COOL INC. OF NORTH AMERICA (TICKER: KOOL) THROUGH EQUITY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(INSTA COOL INC. OF NORTH AMERICA TEL: 916 638-8357)

-30- 451
#90220c0137 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WENDELL A KLIEN OF 647 DIAMOND LEAF, HOUSTON, TX 77079, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,110 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 387
#90220c0138 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MOLLY FOREMAN OF 2900 N MILITARY TRAIL, 0, BOCA RATON, FL 33431, HAS FILED TO SELL 177,246 SHARES OF BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOCA) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 394-3066)

-30- 444
#90220c0139 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED C YAGGI OF C/O FYCO TOOL & DIE, 1710 WEST 27TH, HOUSTON, TX 77008, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,444 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 408
#90220c0140 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - YONG B YANG OF 1654 19TH AVE #3, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94122, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PHOENIX NETWORK INC. (TICKER: PHXN) THROUGH

SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(PHOENIX NETWORK INC. TEL: 415 332-3030)

-30- 421
#90220c0141 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLAN G HOCK OF 8 SUTTON PLACE, LONDONDERRY, NH 03052, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF HOWTEK INC. (TICKER: HTK) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(HOWTEK INC. TEL: 603 882-5200)

-30- 389
#90220c0143 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BARMMER-KAMINER INC OF 18 EAST 41ST ST, 15TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 83,188 SHARES OF COMVERSE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CMVT) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(COMVERSE TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 516 921-0470)

-30- 448
#90220c0144 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PANELOPE SHAW OF 9010 GYDA AVE, ARVADA, CO 80002, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,521 SHARES OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(EXABYTE CORP. TEL: 303 442-4333)

-30- 387
#90220c0145 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD G KEEFE OF 2201 LAURELWOOD RD, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 38,415 SHARES OF SILICONIX INC. (TICKER: SILI) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(SILICONIX INC. TEL: 408 988-8000)

-30- 405
#90220c0146 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM E PLETCHER OF 3450 GLADSTONE, AMARILLO, TX 79121, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE (TICKER: SPCL) THROUGH KNIBBE FNCL GRP INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE TEL: 214 630-9825)

-30- 464
#90220c0147 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM M SILVER OF 15 CRAWFORD ST, NEEDHAM, MA 02194, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,700 SHARES OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(COGNEX CORP. TEL: 617 449-6030)

-30- 389
#90220c0148 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BO BERNARD OF 5124 MUSTANG TRAIL, PLANO, TX 75093, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,500 SHARES OF PRONET INC. (TICKER: PNET) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(PRONET INC. TEL: 214 964-9500)

-30- 387
#90220c0149 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRAUN DAVID EST OF 3200 GIL CHRIST RD, MOGADORE, OH 44260, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,100 SHARES OF AMERICAN BUSINESS COMPUTERS CORP (TICKER: ABCC) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(AMERICAN BUSINESS COMPUTERS CORP TEL: 800 321-0969)

-30- 460
#90220c0151 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID D COHEN OF 82 TARA DR, ROSLYN, NY 11576, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,366 SHARES OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW) THROUGH REICH & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(DATA SWITCH CORP. TEL: 203 926-1801)

-30- 388
#90220c0152 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLIFFORD C THYGESEN OF 4893 IDYL WILD, BOULDER, CO 80301, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN EDL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: AMEP) THROUGH BOETTCHER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(AMERICAN EDL PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 303 447-0505)

-30- 427
#90220c0153 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED BEZOLD OF 16 S EL MOLINO, ALHAMBRA, CA 91801, HAS FILED TO SELL 900,000 SHARES OF COMPARATOR SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: IDID) THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(COMPARATOR SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 714 851-4300)

-30- 425
#90220c0154 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PEDRO B MACEDO OF 6100 HIGHBORO DR, BETHESDA, MD 20817, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,000 SHARES OF DURATEK CORP. (TICKER: DRTK) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(DURATEK CORP. TEL: 301 290-2340)

-30- 396
#90220c0155 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TED L BEVIS OF 7285 POST & RAIL LANE, CINCINNATI, OH 45243, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 393
#90220c0156 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, J.C. MILLER, DIR. OF CNB BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,240.

-30- 285
#90220c0157 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MARCH 15, 1990, E.A. GILMOUR, DIR. OF NBT BANCORP INC (TICKER: NBTB) BOUGHT 158 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,835.

-30- 302
#90220c0159 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, E.P. LABUE, PRES. OF OTC AMERICA INC.(TICKER: OTCA) BOUGHT 2,205,569 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS 3,702,569.

-30- 325
#90220c0160 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 20, 1990, A.A. SPRINGS III, DIR. OF ANCHOR FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 390 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,543.

-30- 302
#90220c0161 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 12, 1990, I.W. DELANEY, DIR. OF HORSHAM CORP. (TICKER: HSM), SOLD 2,231,440 SHARES AT $10.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90220c0162 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, M.J. GILLIGAN, VP OF NORTH COUNTY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBH), BOUGHT 115 SHARES AT $8.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,137.

-30- 314
#90220c0163 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, J.M. GREGG, PRES. OF NORTH COUNTY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBH), BOUGHT 209 SHARES AT $8.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 131,586.

-30- 318
#90220c0164 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, R.D. JONES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NORTH COUNTY BANCORP (TICKER: NCBH), BOUGHT 156 SHARES AT $8.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,825.

-30- 334
#90220c0165 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, LEEAM LOWIN, BEN. OWNER OF AEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AELN), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90220c0167 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DAVID J GLADSTONE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALLIED CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: ALLC), SOLD 19,250 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,197.

-30- 348
#90220c0168 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, AMERITRUST CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERITRUST CORP. (TICKER: AMTR), SOLD 6,361 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90220c0169 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, AMERITRUST CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERITRUST CORP. (TICKER: AMTR), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90220c0170 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 04, 1987, DANIELLE NISIVOCCIA, SHAREHOLDER OF APPLE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: APK), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 325
#90220c0171 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, DAVID S GOLDMAN, VP OF AEROSONIC CORP. (TICKER: ASON), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $1.26 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 151,112.

-30- 305
#90220c0172 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, EVERETT P EDER, VP OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 2,100 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90220c0173 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, EVERETT P EDER, VP OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $36.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279

#90220c0175 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, EVERETT P EDER, VP OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $36.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90220c0176 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, EVERETT P EDER, VP OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,488.

-30- 313
#90220c0177 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, ROBERT S THROOP, CHAIRMAN OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 10,700 SHARES AT $36.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90220c0178 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, ROBERT S THROOP, CHAIRMAN OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $35.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90220c0179 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ROBERT S THROOP, CHAIRMAN OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,255.

-30- 330
#90220c0180 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, DANIEL E GILL, CHAIRMAN OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), SOLD 10,008 SHARES AT $72.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,776.

-30- 317
#90220c0181 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CECE SMITH, DIR. OF BIZMART INC. (TICKER: BZMT), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $14.96 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 628,030.

-30- 299
#90220c0183 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, THOMAS C THEOBALD, CHAIRMAN OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90220c0184 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, THOMAS C THEOBALD, CHAIRMAN OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90220c0185 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, THOMAS C THEOBALD, CHAIRMAN OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90220c0186 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, THOMAS C THEOBALD, CHAIRMAN OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90220c0187 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, THOMAS C THEOBALD, CHAIRMAN OF CONTINENTAL BANK

CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90220c0188 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, THOMAS C THEOBALD, CHAIRMAN OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,000.

-30- 331
#90220c0189 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, COCA-COLA CO, BEN. OWNER OF COCA-COLA ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CCE), SOLD 2,883 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90220c0191 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, COCA-COLA CO, BEN. OWNER OF COCA-COLA ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CCE), SOLD 160,927 SHARES AT $14.99 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90220c0192 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, COCA-COLA CO, BEN. OWNER OF COCA-COLA ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CCE), SOLD 72,058 SHARES AT $15.17 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90220c0193 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 07, 1990, HOWARD R CURD, CHAIRMAN OF COMMUNITY NATIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CNB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90220c0194 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 30, 1990, HOWARD R CURD, CHAIRMAN OF COMMUNITY NATIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CNB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 356,904.

-30- 341
#90220c0195 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 16, 1990, HOWARD R CURD, CHAIRMAN OF COMMUNITY NATIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CNB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90220c0196 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 28, 1990, HOWARD R CURD, CHAIRMAN OF COMMUNITY NATIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 336,904.

-30- 339
#90220c0197 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1990, MARTEL D WILSON JR, DIR. OF CHITTENDEN CORP. (TICKER: CNDN), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90220c0199 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, EDELMAN ASHER B LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 121,800 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90220c0200 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, EDELMAN ASHER B LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 15,600 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90220c0201 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, EDELMAN ASHER B LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90220c0202 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, EDELMAN ASHER B LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 874,620.

-30- 333
#90220c0203 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, DONALD R STENQUIST, DIR. OF DATA I/O CORP. (TICKER: DAIO), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90220c0204 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, DONALD R STENQUIST, DIR. OF DATA I/O CORP. (TICKER: DAIO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90220c0205 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, DONALD R STENQUIST, DIR. OF DATA I/O CORP. (TICKER: DAIO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90220c0207 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JAMES W MCGLOTHLIN, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 335
#90220c0208 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JAMES W MCGLOTHLIN, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 339,000.

-30- 338
#90220c0209 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, TIMOTHY TARRILLION, PRES. OF ENCLEAN INC. (TICKER: ENCL), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,788.

-30- 312
#90220c0210 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM F FARLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), SOLD 142,500 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90220c0211 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WILLIAM F FARLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90220c0212 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WILLIAM F FARLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90220c0213 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, WILLIAM F FARLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), SOLD 83,500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90220c0215 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, WILLIAM F FARLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 327,200.

-30- 327
#90220c0216 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, PERRY MULLEN, DIR. OF GARAN INC. (TICKER: GAN), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 249
#90220c0217 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, PERRY MULLEN, DIR. OF GARAN INC. (TICKER: GAN), SOLD 6,700 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90220c0218 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, PERRY MULLEN, DIR. OF GARAN INC. (TICKER: GAN), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 249
#90220c0219 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, PERRY MULLEN, DIR. OF GARAN INC. (TICKER: GAN), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90220c0220 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, PERRY MULLEN, DIR. OF GARAN INC. (TICKER: GAN), SOLD

6,300 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90220c0221 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, PERRY MULLEN, DIR. OF GARAN INC. (TICKER: GAN), SOLD 10,500 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,273.

-30- 291
#90220c0223 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ARCH G GOTHARD III, DIR. OF COLLINS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,900.

-30- 316
#90220c0224 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JOSEPH I KESSELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF GREENTREE SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: GTSW), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90220c0225 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JOSEPH I KESSELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF GREENTREE SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: GTSW), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 275,000.

-30- 338
#90220c0226 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, MARVIN M SPEISER, CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH-CHEM CORP. (TICKER: HCH), BOUGHT 12,800 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90220c0227 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MARVIN M SPEISER, CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH-CHEM CORP. (TICKER: HCH), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90220c0228 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MARVIN M SPEISER, CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH-CHEM CORP. (TICKER: HCH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90220c0229 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, MARVIN M SPEISER, CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH-CHEM CORP. (TICKER: HCH), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90220c0231 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JAMES H KING, DIR. OF HOOPER HOLMES INC. (TICKER: HH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 91,125.

-30- 309
#90220c0232 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1989, MARK R CALLEGARI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INFORMIX CORP. (TICKER: IFMX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90220c0233 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, RUSSELL L CARSON, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL MICROELECTRONIC PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: IMPX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 312

#90220c0234 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, RUSSELL L CARSON, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL MICROELECTRONIC PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: IMPX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,773,847.

-30- 353
#90220c0235 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, HOWARD R CURD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE JESUP GROUP INC. (TICKER: JGRP), BOUGHT 102,000 SHARES AT $7.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 558,709.

-30- 343
#90220c0236 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, HERBERT W ENGERT, DIR. OF LIBRARY BUREAU INC. (TICKER: LBUR), BOUGHT 80,693 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90220c0237 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, HERBERT W ENGERT, DIR. OF LIBRARY BUREAU INC. (TICKER: LBUR), BOUGHT 7,371 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,064.

-30- 316
#90220c0239 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, RICHARD L KARPEN, CHAIRMAN OF LIBRARY BUREAU INC. (TICKER: LBUR), SOLD 364,175 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90220c0240 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN M LADD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LIBRARY BUREAU INC. (TICKER: LBUR), BOUGHT 48,433 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90220c0241 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN M LADD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LIBRARY BUREAU INC. (TICKER: LBUR), BOUGHT 7,371 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,954.

-30- 333
#90220c0242 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, RICHARD P RIFENBURGH, DIR. OF LIBRARY BUREAU INC. (TICKER: LBUR), BOUGHT 157,400 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90220c0243 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, RICHARD P RIFENBURGH, DIR. OF LIBRARY BUREAU INC. (TICKER: LBUR), BOUGHT 7,371 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 458,296.

-30- 326
#90220c0244 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, RUDOLPH F SCIALDO, CHAIRMAN OF LIBRARY BUREAU INC. (TICKER: LBUR), BOUGHT 157,401 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 362,353.

-30- 346
#90220c0245 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, L GERALD TARANTINO, DIR. OF LIBRARY BUREAU INC. (TICKER: LBUR), SOLD 113,494 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90220c0247 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, PETER J VAN PELT, PRES. OF LIBRARY BUREAU INC. (TICKER: LBUR), BOUGHT 7,374 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 201,989.

-30- 318
#90220c0248 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JEROME ROSENTHAL, DIR. OF MEDALIST INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MDIN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90220c0249 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JEROME ROSENTHAL, DIR. OF MEDALIST INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MDIN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,800.

-30- 320
#90220c0250 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, JUNE P WILLIAMS, SHAREHOLDER OF MEMORY SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: MEMX), BOUGHT 487,500 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 540,100.

-30- 338
#90220c0251 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, DONALD M ROWE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MARIETTA CORP. (TICKER: MRTA), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 375,000.

-30- 333
#90220c0252 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, PAUL G ALLEN, DIR. OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $68.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90220c0253 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, PAUL G ALLEN, DIR. OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 160,000 SHARES AT $70.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,350,000.

-30- 309
#90220c0255 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, MILTON B HOLLANDER, BEN. OWNER OF NEWPORT ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: NEWE), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $3.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 256,990.

-30- 345
#90220c0256 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JACK F IRVING, VP OF NORDSTROM INC. (TICKER: NOBE), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90220c0257 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JACK F IRVING, VP OF NORDSTROM INC. (TICKER: NOBE), SOLD 3,400 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 296
#90220c0258 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 24, 1990, STEVEN G CHRUST, DIR. OF NYCOM INFORMATION SERVICES INC. (TICKER: NYCM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90220c0259 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORS CORP.

(TICKER: ORSC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90220c0260 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORS CORP.
(TICKER: ORSC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90220c0261 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORS CORP.
(TICKER: ORSC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90220c0263 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORS CORP.
(TICKER: ORSC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90220c0264 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORS CORP.
(TICKER: ORSC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90220c0265 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORS CORP.
(TICKER: ORSC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90220c0266 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORS CORP.

(TICKER: ORSC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90220c0267 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORS CORP. (TICKER: ORSC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,085,787.

-30- 323
#90220c0268 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ROBERT S EHRLICH, SHAREHOLDER OF PHOTOGRAPHIC SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: PSCX), SOLD 25,282 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 157,109.

-30- 349
#90220c0269 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), SOLD 4,700 SHARES AT $37.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90220c0271 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90220c0272 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90220c0273 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE.

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#90220c0274 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $38.25 PER SHARE.

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#90220c0275 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $37.75 PER SHARE.

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#90220c0276 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE.

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#90220c0277 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $37.75 PER SHARE.

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#90220c0279 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, M ANTHONY BURNS, CHAIRMAN OF RYDER SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: R), SOLD 25,535 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,897.

-30- 317
#90220c0280 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ALAN BOWMAN, VP OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $0.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 293
#90220c0281 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, MARSHALL B PAYNE, DIR. OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,591.

-30- 303
#90220c0282 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, EDWARD W ROSE III, DIR. OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 339,337.

-30- 304
#90220c0283 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, EDWARD W ROSE III, DIR. OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

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#90220c0284 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SHERMAN T MAYNE, PRES. OF RADIATION DISPOSAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RDIS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 357,648.

-30- 341
#90220c0285 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT A NESHER, VP OF SEI CORP. (TICKER: SEIC),

SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90220c0287 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ROBERT A NESHER, VP OF SEI CORP. (TICKER: SEIC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,570.

-30- 289
#90220c0288 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 06, 1990, JUANITA A BORICK, BEN. OWNER OF SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTL INC. (TICKER: SUP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 486,692.

-30- 336
#90220c0289 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, CHARLOTTE R LORENZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VARCO INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: VRC), SOLD 8,600 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

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#90220c0290 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, CHARLOTTE R LORENZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VARCO INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: VRC), SOLD 16,400 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,068,839.

-30- 349
#90220c0291 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, CHARLES L FRITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WESTAMERICA BANCORP. (TICKER: WAB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 337
#90220c0292 08/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, EDGAR F CAMPBELL III, VP OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,750.

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#90220c0293 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, DANIEL R DONHAM, VP OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,120.

-30- 297
#90220c0295 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

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#90220c0296 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90220c0297 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 26,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

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#90220c0298 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90220c0299 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90220c0300 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90220c0301 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 22,500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90220c0303 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90220c0304 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

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#90220c0305 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90220c0306 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90220c0307 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 22,800 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90220c0308 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 5,300 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90220c0309 08/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,065,384.

-30- 324
#90220d0110 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAKARTA (AUG. 8) - Members of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) will stick to their output quotas although world demand has surged with the Gulf crisis, an Indonesian minister said here Wednesday.

"Not a single OPEC member will take advantage of the current situation," Indonesian Mines and Energy Minister Ginanjar Kartasasmita was quoted by the official Antara news agency as saying.

He said he had discussed the current oil situation with most of his OPEC counterparts since last week's Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent international embargo on oil supplies from Iraq and Kuwait.

He said Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Iran, Venezuela and Algeria had agreed that all members should stand by the OPEC agreement on quotas reached at the group's meeting in Geneva last month.

The Geneva meeting set a production ceiling for OPEC's 13 members at 21.5 million barrels a day to lift oil prices to 21 dollars a barrel.

However, spot oil prices have since soared, with Brent crude quoted at 28.30 dollars a barrel in London from less than 20 dollars before the Iraqi invasion.

Mr. Ginanjar said any OPEC action on output would be taken jointly.

"This situation is very sensitive, and any violation by a member will make it hard to restore OPEC solidarity in the future," he said.

He also said the panic buying that helped push up oil prices in the past few days was unwarranted as industrial countries had large enough stocks to meet any immediate shortages, citing Japan's 140-day reserves as an example.

"The panic is a reflection that they were not ready to face this kind of situation and also that speculators were taking advantage of the situation " he said.

Asked about the embargo on trade with Iraq mandated by the U.N. Security Council, Mr. Ginanjar said the government was currently studying the issue.

He said Indonesia would look to the international market if supplies of Iraqi oil to Indonesia were disrupted.

Indonesia imports some 30,000 barrels of Iraqi crude a day as part of an agreement in exchange for exports of Indonesian textiles and other commodities.

-30- 2346

#90220d0120 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG (AUG. 8) - Former West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, 71, was recovering at home in suburban Hamburg Wednesday following release from a Kiel hospital where he was treated for a heart attack he suffered two weeks ago.

Doctors at Kiel University Hospital said Tuesday that the former chancellor had come close to requiring a bypass operation.

In confirming that his condition had been more serious than initially believed, doctors said they used a balloon catheter to relieve a

constricted coronary artery. Had that procedure not been successful, bypass surgery would have been necessary, they said.

Schmidt, who has a history of heart problems and has worn a pacemaker since 1981, was admitted to the hospital July 25 complaining of discomfort.

The former chancellor, who spent recent months working on a second volume of memoirs due for publication next month, was said to have recovered most of his former strength following treatment.

-30- 1158

#90220d0210 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 8) - The USS aircraft carrier Eisenhower, backed by five U.S. warships, entered the Suez Canal Wednesday on its way to the Gulf, officials here said.

The move follows discussions here Tuesday between President Hosni Mubarak and visiting U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, amid a U.S. military buildup in the region following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last Thursday.

Another aircraft carrier, the USS Independent, was reported to be 50 kilometers (30 miles) from the entrance of the Gulf and in a position to provide air cover for U.S. forces when they land in Saudi Arabia.

The United States is sending 2,000 to 4,000 ground forces to Saudi Arabia as part of a multinational force approved by Riyadh to counter any attempt by Iraq to invade Saudi Arabia -- which has the world's largest oil reserves after Iraq and Kuwait.

-30- 1034

#90220d0290 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN (AUG. 8) - West Germany's annual inflation rate in July edged up to 2.4 percent, compared to 2.3 percent in June, the Federal Office of Statistics said here Wednesday.

The office attributed the cost of living rise above all to higher rents. In July, rents were 3.5 percent higher in West Germany than in the same month in 1989.

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#90220d0310 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (AUG. 8) - Tamil rebels fighting for a separate state in Sri Lanka massacred more than 50 civilians, including 16 children, in two separate attacks in northeastern Sri Lanka in the last 24 hours, authorities said Wednesday.

A military spokesman here said that guerrillas of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) shot dead 27 people Wednesday after they were dragged out from a bus moving from northcentral Anuradhapura towards the eastern town of Trincomalee.

The Tigers also killed 30 Sinhalese villagers on Tuesday night after raiding a colony in neighbouring Ampara district, a senior police official in the area said.

The military spokesman said that the bus carrying mostly Sinhalese passengers was flagged down in the morning by three persons posing as passengers.

The moment the vehicle stopped, more guerrillas waiting in ambush emerged and ordered the passengers out before gunning them down, the spokesman said.

Troops who rushed to the scene found the bodies of 15 women, nine men and three children and despatched to hospital six survivors who were critically wounded, military officials said.

The attack came less than 24 hours after the Tigers allegedly massacred at least 30 Sinhalese villagers at a settlement in Ampara.

A senior police official said that 13 children and 17 men and women had died in the Tuesday night raid on the Bandaraduwa settlement of some 60 families.

Military officials here said the Tigers had not used automatic weapons when they stormed the colony, probably thinking that it would set off an alarm.

But the spokesman said that the nearest army detachment was 20 kilometers (12 miles) away from the colony which is surrounded by forests.

The police official said that many others in the colony had fled into the bush and jumped into a nearby lake.

He said that four others admitted to hospital with serious cut wounds included two children aged five and 12 years old.

-30- 2161

#90220d0490 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AUG. 8) - Americans and Britons were leaving key Saudi cities Wednesday as the first batch of U.S. warplanes landed in the kingdom ahead of an expected U.S. deployment there.

U.S., British and other Western nationals left Dhahran, Dammam and Al-Khobar and were heading in convoys of cars to Riyadh and Jeddah to catch flights for Europe.

Witnesses said Dhahran airport was closed to air traffic Wednesday with only military landings allowed, as U.S. warplanes landed in the eastern Saudi province to help protect the kingdom against a possible Iraqi invasion.

Americans and Britons in Saudi Arabia have been advised by their embassies in Riyadh to leave the kingdom, Western diplomatic sources said.

On Wednesday, the U.S. embassy advised dependents of U.S. nationals to leave the United Arab Emirates (UAE) but stressed there was no "specific threat" against the country following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Sami Hajjar, spokesman for the embassy in Abu Dhabi, said the U.S. State Department was "permitting the dependents of U.S. government officials to depart the area on a voluntary basis."

"The department advises other American citizens to consider doing the same -- that is voluntary departure of dependents only," he added, quoting a communique from Washington.

He said the area cited in the communique comprises the "eastern province of Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates."

But he added: "The embassy has no information to indicate that there is a specific threat against the UAE or American citizens at this time."

"We will advise them if there is any change in our current assessment."

The State Department has also advised Americans to defer travel to the areas concerned "due to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the continuing unstable conditions in the region."

-30- 2054

#90220d0520 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (AUG. 8) - A special meeting of the East German parliament was to vote later on Wednesday on three proposed timetables for unification and the holding of pan-German elections, against the background of mounting economic crisis.

The 167-strong CDU parliamentary group linked to the West German Christian Democratic Union headed by Chancellor Helmut Kohl was calling for the planned December 2 elections to be brought forward to October 14 to coincide with a fusion of East Germany with West Germany.

This would require a change to the West German constitution and therefore the support of two thirds of the Bundestag, the West German parliament. The move was expected to fail for want of support from the West German Social Democratic party led by Oskar Lafontaine.

The East German SPD with 91 MPs was to propose that East Germany join West Germany by September 15, and that the elections be held as planned on December 2.

Since both proposals are expressions of intent, they could be voted by a simple majority. The CDU which is supported by the conservative German Social Union with 25 members and the 23-strong Liberals, can count on 221 votes out of a total of 400.

But the SPD proposal has scant chance of being approved.

The German Social Union has said that it intends to make a third proposal, that East Germany join West Germany immediately. It tried unsuccessfully to push this through in mid June, and the proposal was sent to committee.

It is now up to the parliamentary praesidium to decide whether the DSU proposal should be put on the agenda. But in any case, it was given little chance of success since it would require a two-thirds majority.

Like the Bundestag, the East German parliament also has to ratify an inter-German treaty setting out the rules for pan-German elections.

The agreement was reached at the end of July between the main political parties in the two states. It envisages proportional voting in a single electoral territory, requiring a minimum level of five per cent of the votes to qualify for seats in parliament.

-30- 2287

#90220d0640 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ADELAIDE, AUSTRALIA (AUG. 8) - About 150 Australian workers and their families will be evacuated from Saudi Arabia following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, their employer said here Wednesday.

Don Corey, operations manager of Adelaide-based British Aerospace Australia (BAA), said the Australians were employed on contract in Saudi Arabia's major oil port of Dhahran.

Mr. Corey said the decision to evacuate had been taken by BAA's parent company British Aerospace after discussions with the British embassy.

The Australians are part of a large multi-national contingent including New

Zealanders working on a contract with the Saudi Arabian Air Force in the towns of Dhahran, Riyadh and Khamis-Musayt.

Mr. Corey said the port of Dhahran would be particularly vulnerable in the event of an Iraqi assault on Saudi Arabia, where the United States is sending troops .

He said the evacuees would be flown to Britain before returning to Australia or New Zealand.

Telecom Australia (International) Ltd. (TA) said in a statement issued in Melbourne that it was monitoring events in the Gulf where 449 workers and their families were involved in a joint venture with Saudi Arabia.

TA was half way through a three-year 86 million dollar (68 million U.S. dollar) contract to operate and maintain the Saudi Telecommunications network,
 it said.

The joint venture employed 143 mainly Australian advisors many of whom had families with them, the company said.

-30- 1665
#90220d0650 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SINGAPORE (AUG. 8) - Rising Gulf tension and market rumours that Baghdad had been bombed pushed prices up on the Singapore rubber market on Wednesday.

Prices went to a high of 156.25 Singapore cents for September 1 RSS while forward positions put on three-quarters of a cent just before the midday break on the rumours of a bombing of Baghdad.

The afternoon session saw prices marked fractionally lower at the start as the bombing story proved unfounded, but they moved up again towards the close on reports of increased Gulf tension.

U.S. troops were despatched to Saudi Arabia in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last week, and there were reports that Iraq had stoppped a convoy of foreigners trying to leave the country for Jordan, along with news that Iraq planned to announce union with Kuwait later in the day.

The market had opened unchanged from overnight closing levels, with September 1 RSS offered at 154.75 Singapore cents and initial trading quiet with some underlying buying interest.

The Singapore rubber market will be closed Thursday for the National Day public holiday.

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#90220d0680 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SINGAPORE (AUG. 8) - Singapore's economic growth has slowed down and could further languish in the coming months if the Middle East conflict is not resolved quickly, a government official said Wednesday.

Senior Minister of State for Trade and Industry Mah Bow Tan said the situation in Gulf made it uncertain that Singapore could achieve its projected growth of eight to 10 percent this year.

The latest economic survey showed that the economy grew by 6.8 percent in the second quarter compared with 10 percent in the first and 9.7 percent in the corresponding period last year.

The survey showed that all major sectors except construction slowed in the second quarter and only financial and business services achieved double digit growth to remain the economy's leading sector with 12 percent.

Manufacturing and transport and communications both rose by 8.4 percent, while commerce and construction grew at 7 percent and 6.5 percent, it said.

Singapore's total trade growth was slower at 6.1 percent in the second quarter of 1990 against 19 percent in the first -- a trend attributed to reduced growth in both imports and exports.

The survey, conducted before Iraq invaded Kuwait, showed that the general expectation was for business to remain good in the next six months, but said the Gulf conflict was almost certain to have dampened that feeling.

"Higher oil prices will affect us directly, raising energy costs and the cost of living," it said, noting that this would have a "ripple effect" in developed economies -- Singapore's main export markets.

Warning against the danger of globally higher inflation, the survey said: "The U.S. economy, which is already sluggish, may be pushed into a recession."

Singapore exports would be "less buoyant" and foreign investors would be less ready to start new projects, which made it much less likely that the national economy could exceed eight percent growth in 1990, it said.

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#90220d0710 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 8) - The Soviet Union is to make an "important and significant" statement in the next few hours, a foreign ministry official

said Wednesday, without revealing if it concerned the Gulf crisis.

The announcement came from Yuri Volkov, head of the ministry's press department.

Ministry spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh earlier refused to comment when asked by Agence France-Presse what the Soviet Union's position was on the deployment of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia to discourage a possible Iraqi invasion.

-30- 711

#90220d0740 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 8) - Nigeria has signed two separate agreements on its six billion naira (755 million dollars) petrochemical project in Eleme, near Port Harcourt, south-eastern Nigeria, press reports said here Wednesday.

Nigeria signed the accords Tuesday with the Nigerian Agip oil Company (NAOC) and Phillips Oil Nigeria, joint partners in the project on a 6O:20:20 percent arrangement.

The first agreement covers the exchange of loans and trust agreements providing for a more vigorous pursuit of export credit facilities of about six billion naira needed for the execution of the project.

The second is a liquid gas feedstock agreement under which it is expected that liquid gas from an NAOC plant would be released as raw materials to the Eleme project, the reports said.

While over 80 percent of the six billion naira credit facilities are expected from Japanese financial institutions, NAOC has voted 300 million dollars for the construction of the gas plant and other facilities.

The plant, when it comes on stream in 1992, would produce 480,000 metric tons of ethane, propane and butane, and 150,000 tons of pentane for the petrochemical project.

The petrochemical project, scheduled for completion in 1993, is designed to produce 3000,000 tons of ethylene, 400,000 tons of propylene, 80,000 tons of polypropylene, 250,000 tons of polythelene and 22,000 tons of butane yearly, said the report.

-30- 1626

#90220d0780 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBAI (AUG. 8) - With Iraqi troops still in Kuwait, the national armies of Kuwait's five allies in the Gulf Cooperation Council (Gcc) can count on a military strength of about 145,700 troops.

Saudi Arabia, Oman, the United Arab Emirates (Uae), Qatar and Bahrain have a combined total of 800 tanks and 330 fighter airplanes. Their hardware comes mainly from the United States, Britain and France. The Omani army is the only one which has seen combat in modern history.

If these forces joined in a war aaginst Iraq, they would face a regular army of one million troops and 850,000 reservists, 5,500 tanks, 160 combat helicopters and 510 aircraft. Iraq also possesses short-range and medium-range missiles with conventional and chemical warheads. The bulk of the Iraqi arsenal is Soviet-made.

Following are the strengths of the five Gcc forces:

Saudi Arabia: The army has 65,700 ground troops and 550 heavy battle tanks. The air force has 180 fighter aircraft and 20 helicopters. Reports in 1988 said the kingdom purchased an unspecified number of Chinese-made Df-3 medium-range missiles.

The Uae: It has 43,000 soldiers, 130 battle tanks and 300 light armoured vehicles. Military experts estimate that 30 per cent of the army consists of foreigners. The air force has 60 aircraft and 20 combat helicopters. The navy has 15 ships.

The Sultanate of Oman: It has a 25,000-man army, including 20,000 ground troops. There are heavy battle tanks and 60 light ones. The air force has 60 aircraft, the navy 12 ships. The Omani army experienced battles against Marxist rebels in southern Oman in the early 1970s. Omani troops were then supported by Iran and Britain.

Qatar: Its army counts 7,000 troops, 6,000 of them ground forces. Its weaponry consists of 24 heavy battles tanks, 200 light armed vehicles, 13 figher aircraft, 20 combat helicopters and nine ships.

Bahrain: The smallest Gulf army has about 3,350 troops, including 2,300 ground-based. It has 54 heavy tanks, 140 light armoured vehicles, 12 aircraft,
12 combat helicopters and 13 ships.

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#90220d0790 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 8) - Fujitsi Ltd. said Wednesday it had developed new soldering technology for printed circuit boards that does not require feron gas as a flux, or cleaning agent.

Fujitsu officials said the new technology jointly developed with Roverbond Research, a private institute, uses a new alchohol-based flux, without

giving details.

Feron gas is made up of chlorofuluorocarbons which are said to be responsible for global warming and destroying the ozone layer.

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#90220d1050 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) - Iraq, in the face of an international embargo on its oil, has stopped pumping petroleum through Saudi Arabia, independent reports said here Wednesday.

Both the Washington Post newspaper and British Broadcasting Corporation reported that the oil flow through the pipeline leading to the Red Sea had been halted as of Tuesday.

Bbc said that the Iraqis stopped pumping the oil due to the international embargo against its oil. The Red Sea port tanks were now completely filled up with unsold Iraqi oil, the radio said.

According to the New York Times newspaper, meanwhile, Saudi Arabia had decided to increase its oil output by two million barrels per day. That volume corresponds approximately to about one-half of what Iraq and Kuwait were producing.

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#90220d1110 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 8) - West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl made plain Wednesday he still hopes all-German elections will go ahead October 14, despite opposition from the Social Democrats.

This was the message in an appeal he made to the East German Volkskammer (pariament) just before it was due to debate the whole unity issue.

''A huge majority of people in East Germany wants accession (to West Germany) and also elections,'' he told reporters in Bonn. The Social Democrats had an obligation to bow to this will, he said.

The Social Democrats, who form the main opposition in West Germany and are part of an increasingly fragile broad coalition in East Germany, repeated their refusal to go along with early elections.

''Accession there can be, but not early elections,'' Social Democrat Chairman Hans-Jochen Vogel said. The party can block early elections because these require a two-thirds Volkskammer majority.

The Social Democrats accuse Kohl and his conservative Christian Democrats

and Social Democrat partners of seeking an early poll to cash in on the surge of popularity recent events have brought them.

Especially popular was the currency union which brought the longed-for West German Deutschmark to the pockets of East Germans last month.

However, the Social Democrats and other opposition parties have long warned that accompanying unemployment will soar, and reckon later elections in December will give them a better chance.

-30- 1666

#90220d1160 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (AUG. 8) - Business has been booming this year for South Korea's shipbuilding industry, which has received a record number of orders, officials said here Wednesday.

In the seven months to July, the country's 12 shipyards have won orders to build 71 vessels worth 3.7 billion dollars and weighing a total of 4.67 million gross tons, the officials said.

Almost all the orders came from abroad, they said.

The figures represent a whopping 176 percent increase in gross tonnage and 96 percent growth in value from the same period last year, according to statistics released by the Trade and Industry Ministry.

Ministry officials said the amount of shipbuilding orders received in the January-July period was the largest since the peak year of 1983, when South Korea received orders to build 4.09 million gross tons of ships in the whole year.

By the end of this year, the total amount of shipbuilding orders is expected to pass five million gross tons, the officials said.

Since strike fever subsided under a harsh government crackdown on labor disputes, the shipyards have been operating at full capacity, building 1.73 million gross tons in the first seven months, up 77 percent from the same period of 1989.

Most of the ships ordered this year were Very Large Oil Carriers, bulk carriers and combined carriers.

South Korean shipyards have often been accused of dumping in the past.

However, one ministry offficial said: "The world's shipbulding markets have turned into sellers' markets from buyers' markets and shipbuilders choose what orders they receive among orders rushing in.

"There is no need for us to offer dumping prices."

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#90220d1170 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 8) - Foreign Minister Wong Kan Seng said Wednesday that Singapore would abide by the United Nation's decision on the Gulf crisis and observe a trade embargo on Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Speaking to reporters after a National Day observance ceremony, Wong said that as one of the U.N. members, ''Singapore will comply with the U.N. decision.''

Wong added that Singapore had some trade with Iraq and Kuwait.

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#90220d1220 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 8) - Indian Foreign Minister Inder Kumar Gujral said Wednesday that Iraq had given India assurances on the safety of Indian nationals in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

He told parliament there had been no confirmed casualties among the 172,000 Indians in Kuwait after the Iraqi invasion last week.

He said there were unconfirmed reports that five to six Indians were admitted to hospitals after being caught in the crossfire. However, Iraqi officials assured New Delhi that there were no Indian casualties after a check of hospitals, the minister said.

Gujral told deputies that New Delhi had requested Baghdad to ensure that Iraqi troops extented protection to Indian nationals in Kuwait. ''We have been assured by the Iraqi authorities that such instructions had been sent '' he said.

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#90220d1270 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (AUG. 8) - A group of about 400 Yugoslavian gypsies has presented a petition to the federal parliament here in which they ask to be classed as Egyptians, press reports said Wednesday.

The gypsies, from the autonomous province of Kosovo in the republic of Serbia, have asked parliament to count them as Egyptians during the 1991 census because they feel they are Egyptians, the reports added.

According to the Yugoslavian federal constitution, citizens can declare

themselves members of any nation.

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#90220d1330 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (AUG. 8) - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir on Wednesday congratulated the U.S. administration on its decision to send troops to Saudi Arabia to face Iraq, saying Washington had given "confidence to the free world."

"The United States have shown proof of their determination and given all the free world confidence," Mr. Shamir told the U.S. Deputy Secretary of State for Human Rights Richard Shifter, officials here said.

Mr. Shamir said that the crisis triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2 had overshadowed all the other problems in the Middle East, including the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

Mr. Shifter Wednesday began a fact-finding visit to Israel and the occupied territories.

Mr. Shamir's remarks came as the first batch of U.S. military planes landed in the Saudi city of Dhahran as part of the deployment in the Saudi kingdom of 2,000 to 4,000 American ground forces.

Saudi Arabia approved the deployment, provided they were part of a multinational force.

There have been no immediate Arab and Gulf reactions to the U.S. move although the news was reported in many cities, including Syria and Egypt.

The Syrian dailies provided no comments while those in Egypt published the reports under banner headlines predicting large-scale military confrontations to come.

"Zero hour nears," was headlined in red in the Al-Gomhouriya newspaper, while the front-page headline of the semi-official daily Al-Ahram said: "Premonitory signs for a large military confrontation between the United States and Iraq."

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#90220d1380 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DUBAI (AUG. 8) - United States and West German embassies in the Gulf region Wednesday called on their citzens to ''defer from travelling to Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates''.

Statements issued by the West German embassy in Abu Dhabi and Bonn's

mission in Bahrain advised German residents to send home their dependents, and recommended people not on urgent business to leave.

A U.S. embassy statement said permission had been granted to ''dependents of U.S. government officials to depart the area on a voluntary basis.

In Bonn, the West German foreign ministry said the ambassadors of all E.C. countries in Riyadh have recommended that relatives of their citizens living on the Saudi side of the border area near Kuwait should go away temporarily.

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#90220d1450 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 8) - The Tokyo grain futures market and London's Futures and Options Exchange (FOX) are working on a collaboration plan which would enable both markets to deal in the same contracts, the FOX said Wednesday.

FOX electronic terminals would be installed in Tokyo under the plan.

At the moment on-screen futures transactions are carried out in London for white sugar, rubber and an indicator price for non-ferrous metal, the MGMI, introduced in June.

There are plans to introduce an arabica coffee futures market which could take place at the end of the year, said FOX spokesman Chris Kennedy.

Transactions are still carried out on the trading floor in the robusta coffee, cocoa and raw sugar futures markets and these will not be included in the Tokyo tie-up, Kennedy said.

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#90220d1550 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 8) - President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt Wednesday announced that his country was willing to contribute troops to an Arab buffer force to be deployed after an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

The United States and Britain have announced plans to send ground troops to Saudi Arabia to bolster the kingdom's defenses against a possible attack from Iraqi troops now occupying Kuwait.

Mr. Mubarak, in an address to the nation, said Egypt could participate in a "common Arab force" to separate Iraq and Kuwait after an Iraqi troop withdrawal.

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#90220d1620 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (AUG. 8) - The Thai government will temporarily suspend trade with Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait while a special committee considers a permanent ban, a senior foreign ministry official said Wednesday.

Private firms that have contracts and deals with those Mideast countries will have to judge for themselves whether to continue their dealings while sanctions are being studied, said Thai Ambassador-at-large Kobsak Chutikul

The move comes in the wake of a United Nations Security Council resolution Monday to impose economic sanctions on Baghdad to force a withdrawal of its troops from Kuwait, which Iraq invaded last Thursday.

Thailand agreed in principle to the resolution but "the basic thrust of Thailand is to try to maintain good relations with all states in the Middle East," he added.

According to official figures, Thailand last year imported crude oil and other petroleum by-products worth 3.31 billion baht (132.4 million dollars) from Kuwait and exported consumer goods totalling 2.87 billion baht (114.8 million dollars) to the country.

Trade volume with Iraq is smaller, with Thailand last year importing one billion baht (40 million dollars) worth of oil and its by-products and exporting 38.8 million baht (1.55 million dollars) worth of consumer goods.

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#90220d1660 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (AUG. 8) - Italy and Greece are getting ready to boost gasoline (petrol) prices in the light of surging world oil prices, while a French oil company executive attacked the government's plan to control gasoline prices.

The Italian Petroleum Union, a private agency, reported Wednesday that a rise in retail prices of Italian fuels is to be decided by a special inter-ministerial prices committee "before the end of the week".

It said the expected increase is 25 lire (slightly over two U.S. cents) per liter for super, ordinary and lead-free gasoline, and 20 lire for diesel.

However, the anticipated increase is actually supposed only to reflect the decision by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) to raise its target price from 18 to 21 dollars a barrel, and commentators here noted that the inter-ministerial committee could hardly avoid taking the current Gulf conflict into account.

Meanwhile, in Athens, Prime Minister Konstantinos Mitsotakis announced

Wednesday that the government would decide on Thursday on new fuel prices in connection with the Gulf crisis.

He told reporters that the government "is seeking a system making it possible to follow fluctuations in world oil prices automatically" to avoid the need for major price adjustments from time to time.

Economic sources said the increase should find super gasoline going up from 120 drachma (75 U.S. cents) at present to 135 or 140 (84 to 87 cents). The super price has already been hiked by 58 per cent since December.

In France, Shell-France chairman Henri Pradier attacked the recent French government decision to control fuel prices to prevent excessive rises, saying on Wednesday that "We'll be short of gasoline as long as control remains", and that "the government's decision is utterly impractical".

He said that today's France "is completely open to international competition,
 and only international prices count".

He said Shell would have to ration supplies to its French stations because it must "pay attention to our reserve stocks and our production is limited".

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#90220d1680 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ANKARA (AUG. 8) - Turkey will decide about joining a multinational force stationed in Saudi Arabia only after the U.N. Security Council has itself reached a decision about forming one, presidential spokesman Kaya Toperi said here Wednesday.

He was commenting on an American TV report that such a force might be deployed with American troops arriving in Saudi Arabia to ward off any invasion by Iraq and could include Turkish army units.

Speaking on the eve of a visit by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, Mr. Toperi said no country or organisation had yet asked to use the Incirlik air base near Adana in south-east Turkey for reprisals against Iraq.

The U.S. air force already has ''facilities'' there under a bilateral defence and economic cooperation agreement. Likewise under other agreements, Turkish military installations can be used to support NATO defence plans. Turkey is a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.

President Turgut Ozal meanwhile said in an American TV interview on Wednesday that Turkey would continue to respect the decisions of the

international community for tackling the Gulf crisis.

On Tuesday, Turkey stopped the loading of Iraqi oil at its Mediterranean pipeline terminals, in line with a United Nations Security Council resolution Monday for a trade embargo in Iraq and Kuwait.

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#90220d1720 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 8) - Only sporadic anti-Arab rioting took place in Jerusalem Wednesday after police chiefs negotiated a ''ceasefire'' with the ultra-rightwing Kach movement which had coordinated the disturbances on the two previous days.

The most serious incidents took place on the highway leading from Jerusalem to the West Bank city of Bethlehem with groups of young Jewish hooligans stoning Arab-owned vehicles. Though a number of windshields were smashed, no injuries were reported.

Jerusalem mayor Teddy Kollek harshly criticised rioters, stating that the disturbances which were touched off Tuesday by the slaying of two Jewish youths by Palestinian extremists were ''the hardest day Jerusalem ever had''.

Kollek also called for an investigation of the police failure to quell Tuesday's rioting. ''Why the police didn't prevent these attacks, I don't know,'' he told Israel Radio.

Israeli police chief Ya'acov Turner said police had held back out of understanding for the feelings of rage sparked by the murders of the two Jewish youths.

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#90220d2180 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (AUG. 8) - Former U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs Chester Crocker arrived in the Angolan capital Luanda Wednesday for three days of talks with government officials, the Portuguese news agency Lusa reported.

Crocker is expected to meet Angolan President Jose Eduardo dos Santos Friday and will also confer with high-ranking officials of the foreign affairs, budget, energy, building and transportation ministries. He was expected to discuss future U.S. investments in Angola.

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#90220d2220 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (AUG. 8) - Bangladesh has asked the Iraqi government to release immediately 61 Bangladeshi nationals working for the Kuwaiti air force who were taken into custody by Iraqi troops during the invasion, a foreign ministry spokesman said in Dhaka Wednesday.

He said 61 Bangladeshi nationals were arrested by Iraqi forces from the Ahmad al-Jaber air base. Some 17 other people from Bangladesh were missing since the invasion. A total of about 75,000 Bangladeshis live in Kuwait.

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#90220d2240 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 8) - A Pakistani army spokesman denied here Wednesday a claim by former prime minister Benazir Bhutto that the army was behind her government's dismissal by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan.

The spokesman said Ms. Bhutto's statement that military intelligence had pushed Mr. Ishaq Khan to sack her late Monday was "incorrect."

"First of all, it is a question to ask the interim government and the presidency," army press chief General Riaz Ullah told Agence France-Presse.

"The Army is an organ of the State, under the government, we dont have the right" to intervene in politics, he said, adding that the subject was "too serious."

Ms. Bhutto earlier told reporters in Karachi that the army was behind her dismissal and could overthrow the interim government now in place.

She said the dismissal order was prepared in the army's General Headquarters (GHQ) by military intelligence staff, who told President Ghulam Ishaq Khan "either you do it or we do it."

This was the first time Ms. Bhutto had directly linked the army with her government's dismissal late Monday for alleged corruption and abuse of power.

Gen. Riaz Ullah said soldiers posted outside official buildings, radio and television stations, the post office, Prime Minister's secretariat and Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) since Monday would stay for "one or two days."

"Precaution was taken" to "guard these places against any possible reaction," he said, denying that the soldiers had entered the buildings to give orders as had been reported in local newspapers.

He said the army was mainly concerned with "security" issues, adding that the "threat of war remains" for Pakistan.

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#90220d2380 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) - U.S. forces sent to Saudi Arabia will be armed with cruise missiles programmed to destroy specific Iraqi targets such as oil refineries, Pentagon sources said Wednesday.

President George Bush, formally announcing the deployment, said U.S. forces would be on a "wholly defensive" mission in the oil-rich kingdom and "will not initiate hostilities but they will defend themselves."

If U.S. forces are in fact attacked, one source said, the 32 Tomahawk cruise missiles being taken to the Gulf area aboard the battleship USS Wisconsin would be a key part of the American arsenal.

"They are sophisticated, terrain-following cruise missiles programmed with special software packages that allow them to hone in on specific targets, such as Iraqi oil refineries," the source said.

The Wisconsin, escorting the carrier USS Saratoga, would take at least a week to reach the eastern Mediterranean, the source said.

Sources also said U.S. ships with heavy battle tanks had left a top-secret U.S. naval base at the island of Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean.

"The first movement is of light infantry and airborne troops. But these ships have the heavy tanks, M1-A1 Abrams and M-60's, that are needed for heavy-duty ground fighting," one source said.

Mr. Bush, in his address from the Oval Office, gave no details of the composition of the U.S. contingent, except to say that "key elements" of the elite 82nd Airborne Division based in Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and key air force units were arriving in Saudi Arabia to take up defensive positions. Nor did he say how long they would stay there.

Mr. Bush said he was sending in U.S. forces to defend Saudi Arabia from attack by Iraqi troops occupying Kuwait.

Pentagon sources had reported Tuesday that Mr. Bush also ordered into action elements of the 101st Airborne Division from Fort Campbell, Kentucky and of the 24th Infantry Division (Mechanized) from Fort Stewart, Georgia.

Sources said at least 5,000 ground troops were involved in the U.S. operation, along with 140 sophisticated war planes.

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#90220d2390 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 8) - Japan backs U.S. President George Bush's decision to send American troops and warplanes into Saudi Arabia to repel any Iraqi attack, a Japanese Foreign Ministry official said Wednesday.

"We support the measures taken by the United States to transfer military forces into Saudi Arabia for defensive purposes at the request of the Saudi Government," the official said to the press.

The top government spokesman said Japan had been informed by the United States in advance of the military action. The ministry official said Japan "understands the circumstances" under which Saudi Arabia had to request U.S. help. He hoped that "the situation will not escalate and that peace will be maintained. "It is our hope that the (U.S.) measures will contribute to this objective," the official added.

Meanwhile, the Japanese Embassy in Kuwait is trying to locate a 49-year-old Japanese trader who has not been heard from since Saturday, the Foreign Ministry here said.

Of the 277 Japanese nationals in Kuwait, 246 are holed up at the embassy compound and 30 others, including long-time residents, continued to live in their own homes, the ministry said.

But the trader, who arrived in Kuwait in late July on a business trip, has been unheard from since he was seen at a hotel where he had been staying, the ministry said. He was not identified.

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#90220d2400 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
THE HAGUE (AUG. 8) - Iraq Wednesday issued a stern warning to the Netherlands, charging that its attitude in the Gulf conflict endangered the country's ''present and future interests''.

A statement read out to journalists by Iraqi ambassador S.F. al-Faki said Baghdad viewed the position of the Netherlands government with ''deep regret and with surprise''.

Holland closed the port of Rotterdam for Iraqi oil exports on August 6 in line with European Community (E.C.) sanctions imposed after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last Thursday. Iraqi and Kuwaiti assets in the Netherlands have been frozen.

The Iraqi statement said continued efforts to impose sanctions against trade from Iraq and Kuwait and to freeze capital assets only served to worsen the current situation.

In the long term, the sanctions would damage those who had imposed them, said the statement. It also contained a denial that Iraq had any intention of attacking Saudi Arabia.

The Dutch government has already advised nationals working in the eastern provinces of Saudi Arabia to leave the country. Several of them have left already, the Dutch Foreign Ministry announced in the Hague.

Washington has asked the Dutch to help participate in the military operation to help back up a trade boycott against Iraq, a spokesman for the Dutch foreign ministry said here Wednesday.

He did not say whether the U.S. had requested the Netherlands to contribute airborne, naval or land-based forces.

Foreign Minister Hans van den Broek had promised Washington that the matter would be given ''very serious consideration'', said the spokesman.

He said a decision on Dutch participation would not be decided until the forthcoming emergency meeting of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato) and the E.C. on Friday in Brussels.

The evening paper, Nrc handelsblad reported Wednesday that the Dutch navy expected a frigate to be despatched to the Gulf.

The report said Dutch frigates were particularly suited to submarine surveillance duties and locating mines.

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#90220d2430 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 8) - The world oil market was hit by ups and downs on Wednesday, with prices rising at the announcement of dispatch of U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia, and then falling on rumors of a possible output increase by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).

An Algerian source told AFP that the OPEC president, Algerian Mining Minister Sadek Boussena, was expected to make a statement during the day, but gave no indication of the content.

Iranian Oil Minister Gholamreza Aghazadeh added to the uncertainty by saying that OPEC "would be prepared to increase production in case of shortages". But he added in speaking to the BBC that the recent rise in oil prices is due to "market reaction to events, and not to a shortage".

And in Jakarta, Indonesian Mines and Energy Minister Ginanjar Kartasasmita said that OPEC members will stick to their output quotas, even though world

oil demand has surged with the Gulf crisis - set off when Iraq invaded Kuwait last Thursday. "Not a single OPEC member will take advantage of the current situation", he was quoted by the official Antara news agency as saying.

In London, North Sea Brent crude opened higher Wednesday, at 27.35 dollars a barrel against 26.55 at the Tuesday close, following Washington's decision to deploy forces at the Saudi Arabian border with Iraq.

But the price then plunged to 25.15 dollars a barrel on rumors that OPEC might up output to offset the effect of the embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports, which deprives the market of about four million barrels of oil a day. "The market's very nervous", one trader said. "The slightest news item can lead to a price explosion again. It's hard to see what will happen".

The New York Times, quoting Saudi officials, said that Saudi Arabia is getting ready to hike its output by two million barrels a day. It is now 5.38 mbd.

Early this week, the Iranian minister and his counterpart from the United Arab Emirates, Mana Saeed Otaiba, called on OPEC members to continue to respect their output quotas.

Following Turkey's closure on Tuesday of the only remaining Iraqi pipeline in operation in that country, the Iraqi pipeline through Saudi Arabia was also closed. A source close to the Saudi oil company Aramco said the reason was that storage facilities were full.

One European oil analyst said "oil companies had not been rushing" the last few days to load Iraqi oil at the Saudi terminal of Yanbu in view of the oil embargo on Iraq ordered by several Western powers, and then generalized on Monday by the United Nations Security Council.

Altogether, Iraq has now lost an export capacity of 1.6 mbd via Turkey and 800,000 barrels a day by way of Yanbu, Western analysts say. The same expert said Iraq can still load at its Mina Al Bakr terminal on the Gulf, which has a capacity of 400,000 barrels a day, but few tankers venture there.

He said that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's position has now been weakened - but experts fear that, under pressure, Iraq might bomb Saudi oil terminals. If Iraqi, Kuwaiti, and Saudi oil exports should all be halted, that would deprive the world market of around 10 mbd, almost 20 percent of world supply (excluding planned economies).

The expert said that "One cannot let Iraq blackmail Saudi Arabia . . . Saddam Hussein would have control of much too much oil". Reserves of Iraq,

Kuwait, and Saudi Arabia account for 45 percent of known world reserves.

Pierre Terzian, editor of the specialized review Petrostrategies, said that the Gulf conflict is rooted in the stubbornness displayed by Kuwait and the U.A.E. in keeping oil prices low, depressing the economies of poorer OPEC members, including Iraq.

"Even after the riots in Caracas, Algiers, and Lagos, they did not want to relieve the price pressure", he commented. "Some 400,000 ethnic Kuwaitis and 200,000 Abu Dhabians had 450 million people in the other OPEC countries at their mercy".

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#90220d2550 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 8) - Anglo-Dutch group Shell and Mitsui of Japan are planning to link up to produce a chemical component of polyurethanes in Europe, Shell said here Wednesday.

Polyurethanes are a type of polymer used in furnishing and insulation material.

Shell International Chemical Company (SICC) and Mitsui Toatsu Chemicals (MTC) have carried out a feasibility study into the venture, Shell said in a statement.

MTC would provide the technology to make the component, diphenyl methane diisocyanate and production from the joint venture would be marketed independently by the two partners.

A decision on whether to go ahead with the project is expected early next year, Shell said.

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#90220d2600 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 8) - A woman passenger who was aboard a British Airways jet trapped in Kuwait during the Iraqi invasion was raped by an Iraqi soldier who threatened to kill other passengers if they intervened, a witness said here Wednesday.

The rape took place as passengers were being transferred by bus from the Regency Palace Hotel in Kuwait City to the nearby SAS Hotel, Jameel Alsane, managing director of the Regency Palace Hotel, told the British domestic news agency Press Association.

Mr. Alsane, who arrived here Wednesday on a flight from Bahrain, said a Lebanese crew member of the stranded British Airways flight had pleaded

with the soldier to show mercy towards the woman.

"The soldier took his gun and said: 'One move and I'll blow you up.' The rest of the soldiers were laughing," according to Mr. Alsane, who fled Kuwait Monday along with his two sisters and five children.

All the other passengers were taken into the SAS Hotel lobby and the woman, who was not identified, was released.

A spokesman for the British Foreign Office said they were aware of the incident and had taken it up with the Iraqi authorities.

"We managed to smuggle a doctor in," Mr. Alsane said. "The woman was scared and terrified. We kept the doctor until the hotel was evacuated.

A British Airways spokesman said the company could not comment on the case while passengers and crew from the flight were still in Kuwait.

Mr. Alsane also claimed that Iraqi forces staged a withdrawal from Kuwait shortly after the invastion by "stealing Kuwaiti tanks, painting them in Iraqi colours then driving them away."

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#90220d2610 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 8) - Bonn has received no request for West German naval vessels to be despatched to the Gulf to join United States warships cruising there, defence minister Gerhard Stoltenberg told journalists here Wednesday.

Without saying whether West German navy ships could be deployed in the Gulf in the future, Stoltenberg said there was no need to make a decision on the issue at the moment. The U.S. could use its bases in West Germany to transfer forces to the Middle East, he added.

Stoltenberg said the deployment of U.S. warships and forces in the Middle East was an ''unmistakable warning'' that further aggression by Iraq against its neighbouring states would not be allowed to take place unchecked.

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#90220d2620 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) - The United States can for the time being cope with an energy crisis resulting from the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait thanks to its huge Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR), energy experts say.

President George Bush said Wednesday he would consider tapping from the 590 million barrels in the SPR -- the equivalent of about 70 days' total U.S.

oil imports -- if necessary.

Gasoline and crude oil prices have skyrocketed in the wake of the invasion of Kuwait and consumers and members of Congress have accused U.S. oil companies of speculation and profiteering.

Tuesday, John Easton, a senior official at the Energy Department, said the administration was prepared to use the SPR "to address any severe energy supply interruption to this country."

But Mr. Easton stressed the situation was not sufficiently serious to warrant use of the SPR yet. He said unused production capacity in several oil-producing countries, such as Venezuela, Britain and Nigeria, could be brought in line to deal with any interruption of oil supply from the Middle East.

Energy experts seem to agree. Said Charles DiBona, president of the American Petroleum Institute (API): "While the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait has had a substantial impact on world oil markets, we are in a much better position to handle this than we were 10 years ago and there is no reason for panic.

"We have an asset we did not have in the 1970's -- a large government-held strategic (oil) reserve."

"Kuwait and Iraq provide a supply of oil to America approximating nine per cent of our daily imports. With a 590,000,000 barrel stockpile in the SPR, we could easily cover a shortall in supply from these two sources for a period approaching two-and-a-half years," said Senator Howard Metzenbaum in a letter to Mr. Bush sent Tuesday.

Roger Robinson, an energy consultant who served in the National Security Council during the Ronald Reagan administration, said the energy picture today was similar to that of the winter of 1983-1984 when the tanker war in the Iran-Iraq conflict had intensified and oil facilities were under periodic attack.

"To dampen undue market speculation, we initiated a round of quiet negotiations with our allies, designed to secure a firm, multilateral commitment on the immediate and coordinated release of Western oil stocks at the first sign of significant price hikes," he noted.

"Along with other steps taken at the time, this initiative helped to avoid any significant price increasess ... Today, the United States could release approximately 2-3 million barrels of oil per day (mbd) onto the market from the SPR. For their part Japan could release about one mbd, and Germany roughly one mbd. Other European nations like Britain, France and Italy might make additional contributions to this price-stabilization

effort."

The United States and its partners in the International Energy Agency are to meet in Paris Thursday to discuss this type of cooperation.

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#90220d2640 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (AUG. 8) - The Italian government announced Wednesday that it is providing logistic support for the United States military presence in the Gulf region.

The assistance was said to include granting permission for U.S. warplanes to refuel at Italian air bases.

Sources close to Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti said Rome was complying with a request from the Washington administration. No further details were released.

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#90220d2660 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 8) - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, alarmed by the looming prospect of Western military intervention, made an impassioned appeal to Iraq Wednesday to pull out of Kuwait and to accept an Arab resolution of the Gulf crisis.

"I am trying to save Arab honor," said Mr. Mubarak, addressing himself to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

"But if you want to destroy it, you will have to accept the responsibilities," he said at a press conference here.

Mr. Mubarak urged Arab leaders to meet within the next 24 hours to forge an "Arab solution" to the Gulf crisis, triggered by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait in the midst of a bitter row over oil production.

Describing the current situation as "grave and terrifying," he called for a joint Arab force to separate Iraq and Kuwait following an Iraqi military withdrawal from its tiny but enormously wealthy neighbor to the south.

But Mr. Mubarak ruled out Egyptian participation in a non-Arab multinational force in the Gulf.

U.S. Defense Department sources had said Egyptian troops would join U.S. forces who were reported to be arriving in Saudi Arabia Wednesday to shore up the kingdom's defenses against a possible attack by Iraqi troops in Kuwait.

The Egyptian leader called on President Hussein to "withdraw his troops, re-establish the legal authority in Kuwait ... and accept an Arab umbrella to contain the crisis."

"If Arab countries do not act quickly," he said, "foreign military forces will impose themselves," warning that Iraq was now threatened with a "destructive attack."

Mr. Mubarak said Saudi Arabia's appeal for U.S. military assistance was justified because of legitimate doubts concerning Iraqi intentions. He noted that Mr. Hussein had ordered the invasion of Kuwait after assuring Arab leaders that he would not take such a step.

"You lost all credibility after that," said Mr. Mubarak of his Iraqi counterpart.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency meanwhile reported that King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and Presidents Hafez al-Assad of Syria and Chadli Benjedid of Algeria had already already accepted Mr. Mubarak's call for an emergency summit, which could he held here.

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#90220d2710 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HABUR, TURKEY (AUG. 8) - The Iraqi Army is strengthening positions in northern Iraq near the Turkish border, truck drivers arriving here from Baghdad said Wednesday.

Turkish oil tank truck drivers said Iraqi forces were being reinforced in the Zaho region near this Turkish border town.

There was no immediate official confirmation of the report.

The truckers said they saw unusual military activity along the route they take transporting Iraqi oil to Turkey. The road runs parallel to the Iraqi pipeline shut down by Turkey on Tuesday.

Drivers had had to return to Turkey with their trucks empty because Iraq "hasn't been loading oil into Turkish trucks since Tuesday," one driver said.

A senior customs official meanwhile said the border crossing at Habur was "practically closed."

Iraqi authorities sealed off the frontier completely early last Thursday and reopened it after the invasion of Kuwait. But since Tuesday night, they had been barring everyone except Iraqi nationals from entering Iraq.

Trucks wanting to cross into Iraq were also being turned back, while others on the Iraqi side waiting to enter Turkey had formed a back-up 10 kilometers (six miles) long due to "excessive" Iraqi police and customs formalities.

More than 6,000 Turkish truckers are in Iraq at present, the customs official said.

Meanwhile foreign nationals, particularly Americans and Japanese working in Kuwait and Iraq, were expected to cross the frontier here Thursday or Friday "if Iraq lets them leave," a Turkish official here said.

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CAEN, France (AUG. 8) - A group of runners, consisting of American Indians, Japanese and Europeans pounded the soil of northern France between La Hague and Caen Wednesday on the continental leg of a relay race to save the environment.

The 80 runners in the "race for land and life" started their relay in London on Monday, coinciding with the anniversary of the August 6, 1945 U.S. atomic bombing of the Japanese city of Hiroshima.

They are to complete more than 7,000 kilometres (4,300 miles) by the time they arrive in Moscow on October 12 after crossing Europe.

Before setting off from La Hague on the 200 kilometres (125 miles) to Caen the racers took part in a religious ceremony, dressed in traditional Indian costume, at the local nuclear waste processing station.

"The land is our mother, this race is a sacred race," they said.

Chippewa chief Dennis Banks, the co-founder of the American Indian Movement, said he decided to organise the event race to show that "by destroying rivers, trees, and animals to which his life is directly linked man has destroyed the balance which existed between himself and nature. Humanity is preparing a difficult future for itself."

The runners, sponsored by public donations given at meetings organised along the way, were due in Paris on Saturday, via Le Mans and Orleans.

The last "sacred race" was held two years ago between New York and Horonobe, in Japan, with a stop in Hiroshima.

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#90220d2760 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 8) - French Secretary of State for Defense Gerard Renon has postponed a visit he was to pay to Ankara on Thursday "due to defence meetings in Paris," his office announced Wednesday.

The announcement noted that Mr. Renon had been scheduled to meet with his Turkish counterpart, Vahit Erdem, whom he met here in June.

Separately, sources at the Thomson-CSF Group said that signature of a contract for supplying Turkey with military radar sets should take place "in the very near future."

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#90220d2820 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (AUG. 8) - Nigeria is totally opposed to any individual action by any OPEC member nation that would breach recent agreement on crude oil production and prices reached at its recent conference in Geneva, minister of petroleum resources Jibril Aminu said here Wednesday.

At a news conference on the crisis in the Gulf region, the minister called for individual and collective resistance to any temptation to take advantage of the unfortunate situation to renege on the accord.

He stated the country's preparedness to offer its services in any capacity that may be considered useful in resolving the crisis.

Such services, he said, would be specifically aimed at preserving the integrity of OPEC and ensuring that the decisions of its members at the Geneva conference were respected, he stated.

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#90220d2830 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KHARTOUM (AUG. 8) - Some 23 rebels in southern Sudan were killed by government forces in Bahr el Ghazal region, the Sudanese armed forces general command said here Wednesday.

A statement said the army ''injured many rebels, captured seven Kalashnikov submachine guns and a great quantity of ammunition'' in the fighting which occured at Nyilo camp, which was ''completely destroyed.'' There was no information when the clash took place.

The rebels of the Sudan Peoples Liberation Army (Spla), led by Colonel John Garang, have been fighting since 1983 to change the political system in Sudan.

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#90220d2850 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 8) - Independent British oil and gas company Ultramar PLC reported a net profit of 36.1 million pounds Wednesday for the first six months of 1990, 42 percent down from 62.5 million a year earlier because of softer oil prices early in the year and downstream difficulties in California.

Turnover came to 866.8 million pounds against 877.4 million in the year-earlier period, and earnings per share dropped to 9.8 pence from 17.1 pence, reflecting a fall from 13 to 10 percent in the return on average invested capital.

Ultramar said lower oil and gas production, reduced refinery margins, higher interest rates and the strength of sterling against the U.S. and Canadian dollars all had adverse effects on its financial performance, but the main problems came from tough market conditions in California. These affected the first quarter but have since improved markedly.

The board has declared an increased interim dividend of 3.5 pence per share, up from a 3-pence payout in 1989, to reflect "the underlying strength and growth potential" of the company.

John Darby, chairman, said it was too early to predict effects of the current turmoil in the Gulf, but noted that Ultramar had no assets in the region and processed only North Sea and American crude in its refineries.

During the first half, production of crude averaged 24,300 barrels per day and 464.5 million cubic feet of gas, compared to 28,000 barrels and 461 million on average last year.

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#90220d2900 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 8) - Sales of new cars dipped by 1.6 percent to 18,367 units in July compared to June's figure of 18,659, the National Association of Automobile Manufacturers of South Africa (NAAMSA) said Wednesday.

Compared to the corresponding month in 1989, June's sales show a decline of 7.5 percent, or 1,480 units.

In a statement here, NAAMSA predicted that due to high interest rates, conservative fiscal policy and disruptive industrial action in certain sectors of the industry, sales of new cars would continue to dip in the coming months.

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#90220d3000 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 8) - The South African economy is in a real recession and a zero growth rate for the year can be expected, the South African Chamber of Business (SACOB) said here Wednesday.

Although SACOB's Business Confidence Index (BCI) improved marginally from 91.8 in June to 92 in July, SACOB director general Raymond Parsons said the latest figures indicated that the country showed a negative real growth rate in output over the past two quarters.

"While marginal shifts in the business mood must be expected over the short term, it is uncertainty over future options, such as nationalisation, which has a serious corrosive effect on business confidence," Mr. Parsons said.

SACOB called on all political parties in South Africa to show greater sensitivity and understanding on their economic policies.

Business confidence took a dive after African National Congress (ANC) deputy-leader Nelson Mandela said the ANC would nationalise mines and industries in his first public speech on February 11 after he was released from 27 years in South African prisons.

On August 2, Joe Slovo, the secretary general of the South African Communist Party -- the ANC's main ally-in-arms -- said the ANC would fully nationalise some industrial and financial groups as part of its restructuring of the economy.

"It is clear that the increased uncertainty created by political development has already contributed to the postponement of a number of investment plans and to the flight of short-term capital," SACOB said.

The increase in the gold price over the past week to 383.20 dollars Wednesday was one of the positive factors that affected the BCI in June, while negative factors were an increase in unemployment and an overall decline in average prices on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE).

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#90220d3090 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) - Iraq announced "total and irreversible" union with Kuwait on Wednesday as U.S. President George Bush said U.S. forces were being deployed in Saudi Arabia to defend the kingdom against possible Iraqi attack.

Iraq's decision-making Revolutionary Command Council said in a statement released by the official Iraqi news agency that the merger between Iraq and

Kuwait had been requested by Kuwait's provisional government.

Iraqi troops invaded the tiny Gulf emirate on August 2, ousting Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, and have since taken up positions along Saudi border.

In a televised address from the White House's Oval Office, Mr. Bush said that at the request of Riyadh, U.S. ground and air forces were being deployed in Saudi Arabia as part of a multinational force to defend the kingdom against any Iraqi aggression.

He said the decision followed telephone consultations with Saudi leaders and a visit by Defense Secretary Dick Cheney to Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Morocco.

Mr. Bush appealed for support from the American people for the "decision I've made to stand up for what's right and condemn what's wrong."

"Let me be clear, the sovereign independence of Saudi Arabia is of vital interest to the United States," he said.

"We must resist aggression or it will destroy our freedom ... Appeasement doesn't work," Mr. Bush said, describing Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as "an aggressive dictator threatening his neighbors."

The Iraqi leader, in an address to the nation on Tuesday, warned against foreign intervention and said that Iraq "would not hesitate to pluck out the eyes of those who dare to attack Iraq, or Arab and Islamic values."

Mr. Bush gave no details of the composition of the U.S. contingent, except to say that elements of the elite 82nd Airborne Division based in Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and key air force units were arriving in Saudi Arabia to take up defensive positions. Nor did he say how long they would stay there.

The first U.S. military transport planes landed at the Dhahran airport in eastern Saudi Arabia early Wednesday, according to eye-witnesses, and between 2,000 and 4,000 ground troops were expected later in the day.

In Cairo, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said he was willing to contribute troops to an Arab buffer force to be deployed between Iraq and Kuwait following an Iraqi withdrawal from the emirate. But he ruled out Egyptian participation in any multinational force in the Gulf that included non-Arab units.

He urged Arab leaders to hold an emergency summit within 24 hours to forge "an Arab solution" to the crisis.

In London, Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said Britain would contribute naval and air forces to the multinational force following an appeal from Saudi King Fahd. Britain has dispatched two frigates to join a navy destroyer already in the Gulf to protect merchant shipping in the region.

In other developments, Italy and Spain said that Washington was welcome to use U.S. bases in those nations to support its deployment in the Gulf, and Saudi Arabia and Turkey both shut down pipelines that carry Iraqi oil.

"America does not seek conflict ... But America will stand by its friends," Mr. Bush said. Of the invasion of Kuwait, he said: "There's no justification whatsoever for this outrageous and brutal act of aggression.

"A puppet regime imposed from outside is unacceptable. The acquisition of territory by force is unacceptable.

"The stakes are high. Iraq is already a rich and powerful country that possesses the world's second largest reserve of oil and over a million men under arms," he said.

Mr. Bush said his policy was based on four principles: seeking the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait, the restoration of the legitimate Kuwaiti Government, a U.S. commitment to ensure the security and stability of the Gulf and his resolve to protect the lives of Americans.

Mr. Bush accused Mr. Hussein of lying twice first when he said he did not plan to invade Kuwait and four days ago when he said he would withdraw his troops. "His promises mean nothing," the president said.

He said Iraq had massed "an enormous war machine on the Saudi border." "To assume Iraq will not attack again would be unwise and unrealistic," he added.

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#90220d3120 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 8) - Armenia's new nationalist leader Levon Ter-Petrossian arrived here on Wednesday for talks with Soviet officials, just hours ahead of the expiry of a Soviet ultimatum for Armenian militias to turn in their weapons and disband, Armenian officials and Tass news agency said.

Tass said that Mr. Ter-Petrossian, who was elected president of the Armenian Supreme Soviet, or parliament, on Saturday, was scheduled to meet with Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov and Interior Minister Vadim Bakatin.

He was also to discuss the looming crisis with Moscow over the defiance of armed Armenian nationalists with Alexander Yakovlev, a close advisor of

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, the news agency said.

Mr. Gorbachev issued an ultimatum on July 25 demanding that unauthorized militias in the Soviet Union lay down their weapons and disband by midnight Wednesday or face possible Soviet intervention.

Tass reported that Mr. Ter-Petrossian had asked militia forces to be sworn in before the Armenian parliament.

Mr. Ter-Petrossian, whose Armenian National Movement holds a majority in the republic's parliament, also said that he could control the situation in Armenia without foreign intervention.

On Wednesday, he said many Armenian deputies believed a settlement to the crisis was in sight. The Armenian Supreme Soviet voted in favour of suspending Mr. Gorbachev's decree, although the resolution's legal standing was not clear.

The Armenian militia has ignored the decree, insisting that its existence was necessary for "Armenia's defence." Armenian militiamen have been accused by Soviet authorities of stealing arms from Soviet military camps.

Observers say Mr. Ter-Petrossian's visit here is aimed at delaying intervention of Soviet troops in Armenia.

In a front-page article, the newspaper Pravda referred to Mr. Ter-Petrossian by saying it "supported the position of those who propose to stabilise the situation by political means, through discussions and compromise, even if that should postpone the enforcement of the ultimatum."

The Communist Party daily added, however, it regretted that the Gorbachev decree is being defied in "other regions" where the "inertia and weakness of local authorities have only contributed to the illegality of the situation."

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#90220d3140 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 8) - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and other senior government ministers turned out Wednesday amid tight security to attend the funeral of Conservative MP Ian Gow, assassinated by the IRA in a car bomb attack earlier this month.

Police sniffer dogs searched the church prior to the service and roads around the church in the southeastern coastal city of Eastbourne were sealed off while a police helicopter flew overhead as part of the security operation during the funeral.

Over 650 mourners, including Deputy Prime Minister Sir Geoffrey Howe and Conservative Party chairman Kenneth Baker, packed the church to pay their last respects to Mr. Gow.

Thousands of people were also gathered outside the church to listen to the service on loudspeakers.

Mr. Gow, 53, an outspoken critic of the Irish Republican Army (IRA), was killed July 30 as he left his home in the southern village of Hankham when a powerful bomb placed under his car by an IRA hit squad exploded.

Mr. Gow, who served from 1979 to 1983 as Mrs. Thatcher's parliamentary private secretary, knew his name was on an IRA "hit list" discovered by police in a south London flat in December 1988.

In 1985, Mr. Gow resigned his post as minister of state at the treasury in protest at the signing of the Anglo-Irish agreement, which he said gave the government in Dublin too great a say in Northern Ireland affairs.

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#90220d3150 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 8) - At least 41 Westerners managed to depart from Iraq by land to Jordan on Wednesday, but hundreds more were believed to have been held back and forbidden to cross the frontier to safety.

There were growing signs that resident foreigners - Arab and western - in Iraq and Kuwait would be kept as bargaining chips against any possible western military intervention against Iraq.

British Airways in London confirmed that 295 passengers who had been aboard a jumbo jet stranded in Kuwait during the August 2 Iraqi invasion were still in a Kuwait City hotel but were unharmed, while a further 36 were being held in Baghdad.

Jordanian Tourism Minister Abdul-Karim Kabariti said only foreigners with exit visas or visitors' visas not exceeding one month were being allowed to leave Iraq. He said Iraq had communicated this decision to the Jordanian authorities. It included Arabs, he said.

An Italian embassy spokesman said Iraqi soldiers turned back a convoy of eight cars carrying Italians and one Swiss before they reached the border.

Other diplomats in Amman said 61 tourists arrived Tuesday by land, while 78 non-Iraqis had come out on an Iraqi Airlines flight Tuesday.

Kabariti announced that 22 Britons, 11 Germans, four Americans and four Czechs had crossed the border into Jordan on Wednesday, while many more

were awaiting permission on the Iraqi side of the border.

People who succeeded in crossing told the German Press Agency dpa that 70 Jordanian families had been stranded on the Iraqi side of the border because they were holders of Iraqi residence permits.

Euphoric westerners who crossed the border could not hide their feelings as they waited for buses to carry them to Amman.

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A british man who asked not to be identified said in Amman earlier Tuesday. ''The shadow of war is hanging over Baghdad. Everybody is waiting for the first strike. It is miserable. People feel it. They feel the war.''

Asked about the fate of other foreigners left behind, the Briton said: ''All are under the mercy of (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein. There is no telling what he would do. I hope that the Americans do not do something foolish and risk everybody's lives.''

In Bonn, the West German foreign office said the European Community was recommending to all its citizens in Iraq and Kuwait to leave those countries for the time being. Gulf reports said U.S. and West German diplomats were counselling their citizens to stay away from Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates.

Yoshiko Masui, a tour guide who left Baghdad on a Monday flight with 16 Japanese tourists, told reporters on arrival in Vienna that the situation in Baghdad had been quiet with neither soldiers nor tanks to be seen on the streets.

The group's was stranded August 2 while making a stopover on a flight from Bangkok to Frankfurt. One of the group, Yumi Nugase, 21, said she and the others were put up at the Hotel Kadhimya, ,fqbfvj Babylon. Masui said the younger Japanese had enjoyed the stopover as something exciting during their world tour.

She said she had noticed how there were hardly any people at Baghdad international airport when their Iraqi Airlines flight took off from Baghdad. They flew onwards to Europe with Royal Jordanian Airlines.

Austria earlier banned Iraqi aircraft as part of the worldwide economic embargo against Baghdad.

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#90220d3170 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 8) - Estonian Prime Minister Edgar Savisaar arrived in Moscow Wednesday, the unofficial news agency Interfax reported, a day after the Estonian parliament voted a resolution declaring invalid the 1940 Soviet annexation of the Baltic republic.

Mr. Savisaar is to meet with Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov during his visit.

The resolution adopted by the Estonian parliament said "The law of August 6, 1940 on the incorporation of the Soviet Socialist Republic of Estonia into the USSR does not bind Estonia," the official Soviet news agency Tass reported.

Future negotiations must be based on treaties signed by Estonia and the Soviet Union prior to the June 17, 1940 Soviet invasion, the resolution said.

It specifically excluded the Soviet constitution and laws that stem from it as a basis for relations between Estonia and the Soviet Union.

Meanwhile, the parliament of Lithuania, another Baltic republic seeking independence, sent a telegram to the Soviet leadership protesting the presence and conduct of Soviet troops in Lithuania.

A copy of the text obtained by Agence France-Presse, said the troops were "increasing tension and worsening relations between Lithuania and the Soviet Union".

The parliament also protested illtreatment of Lithuanians serving in the Red Army and called for them to have the right to return to Lithuania.

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#90220d3190 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (AUG. 8) - Greece authorised Wednesday the use of its airspace by U.S. warplanes headed for the Gulf, Greek government spokesman Vyron Polydoras said.

In a communique, Mr. Polydoras said permission was granted when the U.S. asked Wednesday for the possible use of Greek air space.

The communique added that "the position of Greece is in complete agreement with decisions taken by the international community" concerning the Middle East crisis.

U.S. President George Bush announced Wednesday that U.S. air and ground forces were being deployed in Saudi Arabia at the request of Riyadh following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90220d3200 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABERDEEN, Scotland (AUG. 8) - Union leaders called Wednesday for a 24-hour strike Thursday of workers on British oil and natural gas platforms in the North Sea, a union source said here.

If the strike call is fully observed, it would affect about 100 rigs.

On Sunday, a strike call for those workers was "widely observed," according to union members of the Offshore Industry Liaison Committee, but on Wednesday only about 500 Shell employees were still observing the strike call.

Shell said production had not been affected.

Unions are demanding official recognition and better safety conditions on the platforms. They are also protesting against the firing of more than 1,000 contract workers who struck last Thursday.

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#90220d3230 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
EAST BERLIN (AUG. 8) - East Germany's Volkskammer parliament voted at a session Wednesday evening against immediate accession to West Germany.

Deputies urged a swift merger of the two Germanys but said the move, which means the demise oxti uedc ae h be subject to three conditions.

They said accession must depend first on the ratification of the treaty on German unity and on clarification of the foreign policy aspects of unity at forthcoming ''two-plus-four'' talks.

They also stipulated that the five future German states on East German territory must be constituted before unity.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl had appealed in Bonn to the East German parliament just before it was due to debate the issue. He made it plain he hoped all-German elections would go ahead October 14 despite opposition from the Social Democrats.

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#90220d3270 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RIOM, France (AUG. 8) - French movie actor Gerard Depardieu was handed down a two-month suspended sentence for drunk driving by a court in central France Wednesday.

The celebrated actor, whose latest film Cyrano de Bergerec is a major hit here, had twice the legal limit of alchohol in his blood when he smashed into an oncoming car, slightly injuring two people.

On the day of the accident, Mr. Depardieu had been through three takes of the movie Uranus in which he played a drunken bar owner, his lawyer Serge Teillot explained to the court.

His client had just finished making the film under the direction of Claude Berri, when he lost control of his car on a motorway near Vichy.

Mr. Depardieu did not appear in court which his lawyer said would allow for greater "serenity" in the proceedings.

Mr. Teillot added that Mr. Depardieu had no previous convictions and that he "fully acknowledged his responsibility" for the accident.

At the time of the accident July 20, Mr. Depardieu's a blood-alcohol level was of 1.6 grams, double the maximum legal limit of 0.8 grams.

In addition to the two month suspended jail sentence, he had his driver's licence suspended for six months and was fined 10,000 francs (1,900 dollars).

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#90220d3420 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 8) - An emergency Arab summit on the gathering crisis in the Gulf will open here Thursday evening, presidential spokesman Mohammad Abdel Meneem announced Wednesday.

The summit had been proposed Wednesday by Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak as a last-ditch Arab effort to avert foreign military intervention in the Gulf following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Egypt, Syria, Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Libya, Yemen, Tunisia, Oman and Mauritania have already announced they will attend.

Foreign Ministers from the 20-member Arab League met here last Friday and approved a resolution condemning the Iraqi invasion and demanding the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

But Arab diplomatic efforts have since then proved powerless to defuse the crisis, as an international campaign to isolate and punish Iraq, led by the United States, gathered momentum.

Mr. Mubarak in remarks here Wednesday expressed alarm at the likelihood of foreign military intervention, notably as U.S. military forces were reported to have arrived in Saudi Arabia to shore up the kingdom's defenses against a possible attack by Iraqi troops in Kuwait.

Warships from the United States, Britain, France and the Soviet Union were also heading toward the Gulf region.

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#90220d3450 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 8) - Britain would consider sending more military forces to the Gulf if the naval and air units being sent to Saudi Arabia to defend against an attack from Iraq fail to do so, Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said here Wednesday.

"We are dealing with the real risk that one act of aggression will be followed by further acts of aggression," Mr. Hurd said, hours after announcing the government's decision to send British naval and air units to help defend Saudi Arabia.

"We have never ruled out further measures if these do not work," he said, adding: "There is a threat of further violence by Saddam Hussein against Saudi Arabia and other states in the Gulf.

U.S. President George Bush said Wednesday that he had ordered U.S. ground forces into Saudi Arabia which the United States says is now threatened by 100,000 Iraqi troops deployed in neighboring Kuwait, which Iraq invaded Thursday.

Both Mr. Hurd and Defence Secretary Tom King declined earlier to specify what forces Britain was sending to join a multinational force to protect Saudi Arabia.

But the ministry of defence confirmed that there are currently two Royal Air Force Tornado F3 fighter squadrons in Cyprus. One of the squadrons which was due to be returning to Britain will remain because of the situation in the Gulf, the MOD said.

Informed sources said Britain could also deploy a number of Rapier anti-aircraft missile batteries to protect the fighters and two Royal Navy frigates were already steaming to the Gulf to join the destroyer York, already on patrol there.

"The essential point is that President Saddam Hussein now knows an attack on Saudi Arabia, were he to contemplate one, would not be an attack on Saudi Arabia alone," Mr. Hurd said earlier.

Mr. Hurd also said London was keeping Moscow informed of British military measures in the Gulf and added he was "glad and slightly surprised" that the Soviet Union had voted in favor of the United Nations Security Council resolution demanding the pullout of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

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#90220d3490 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENNA (AUG. 8) - OPEC President Sadik Boussena Wednesday said members should avoid "individual initiatives," implicitly urging that no member should unilaterally increase its oil production to compensate for the shortfall in Kuwaiti and Iraqi output.

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#90220d3510 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (AUG. 8) - Unlike Hungary, Poland has no intention of leaving the Warsaw Pact but will scale back its forces by almost a third, the Polish Defense Minister, Rear Admiral Piotr Kolodziejczyk, said in an interview published Wednesday.

"We will not take the path that Hungary took to leave the Warsaw Pact," he told Rzeczpospolita, the Polish government organ.

"The dominant opinion in Poland is that the Soviet Union is the guarantor of our independence," said the minister, who was appointed on July 7.

However, as part of the restructuring of the Warsaw Pact, Poland plans to cut its army of 347,000 by 100,000, he said.

The Warsaw Pact will become a "political-consultative organ" rather than a "Soviet policeman," he said.

In another change he said Polish officers will not be trained exclusively in the Soviet Union, but also in other countries, which he did not name.

Likewise, Poland may in the future buy arms in countries other than in the Soviet Union. The price of airplanes such as the MiG-29, will increase in price eight-fold when trade between Warsaw and Moscow will be carried on in U.S. dollars as of next year, he said.

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#90220d3570 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN, (AUG 8) - Official Iranian radio on Wednesday warned that foreign military intervention in the Gulf would run counter to the interests of the peoples of the region.

"The continued occupation of Kuwait by Iraqi forces has increased the possibility of foreign military action in the region," the radio said. "The United States, in deploying military forces in Saudi Arabia, is backing Riyadh in order to protect its oil installations."

U.S. forces were reported to have begun arriving in Saudi Arabia Wednesday in what Washington said was a defensive move to protect the kingdom from an attack by Iraqi troops in Kuwait.

The English-language Kayhan International newspaper meanwhile criticized the "short-term" policy of the government in reacting to the situation.

The paper said the crisis "is directly linked to our national security and we should not merely be delighted over rising oil prices."

Iran "should do its best in preventing the consolidation of the Iraqi-installed government in Kuwait and join the world community to this end," it said.

After condemning the August 2 invasion of Kuwait and demanding that Iraqi troops withdraw, Teheran has remained largely silent on the crisis.

But analysts here said Iran is apparently finding it increasingly difficult to reject foreign intervention in the region, as Iraqi dominance of Kuwait would be even more difficult for it to accept.

The governement of President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani is under pressure from hardliners to intervene against Iraq, "in union with the world community," suggesting that they consider a foreign presence in the region to be less menacing than an emboldened Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

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#90220d3760 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT, (AUG 8) - Radical Palestinian kidnappers in Lebanon released late Wednesday one of their two Swiss hostages after ten months of captivity, Syrian military sources said.

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#90220d3860 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PANAMA CITY (AUG. 8) - A bomb exploded Wednesday near the home of a cabinet minister probing alleged corruption under ousted military leader Manuel Noriega, police said.

No injuries were reported in the pre-dawn blast in the garden of the Panama City home of Treasury Minister Mario Galindo, the police added.

The explosion caused unspecified damage to the building. There was no claim of responsibility.

Last week, the home of another member of the cabinet, auditor general Ruben Carles, was attacked.

Both men sit on a government panel probing corruption and embezzlement allegedly committed by government officials while Mr. Noriega was in power.

Mr. Noriega was ousted in last December's U.S. invasion of Panama, and is currently jailed in the United States awaiting trial on drug trafficking charges.

Wednesday's bomb blast came a day after police launched a campaign aimed at curbing a wave of robberies at banks and private homes.

Officials said they did not rule out the possibility that the bomb was set off by a group calling itself M-20, which has claimed responsibility for a night club bombing that killed a U.S. soldier and injured 15 other people.

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#90220d3880 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 8) - Iraq on Wednesday declared it had no intention of attacking Saudi Arabia but warned Israel and other Gulf states against joining any U.S. military operation against Baghdad.

"Iraq has no plans to launch an attack on Saudi Arabia or any other country," said a spokesman for the country's Revolutionary Command Council in a dispatch monitored here from the Iraqi News Agency.

He said Iraq respects its 1989 non-aggression pact with Saudi Arabia, with whom it enjoys "fraternal relations."

The spokesman said Iraq regretted that Saudi authorities had allowed themselves to be influenced by U.S. allegations that Iraqi troops in Kuwait were now threatening Saudi Arabia.

In an earlier statement the council vowed that it was prepared for "confrontation" following a U.S. decision to send ground forces to Saudi Arabia.

"We are saying to all plotters that we are ready to encounter your forces," the Revolutionary Command Council said in a communique carried by Iraqi television.

"The people of Iraq are ready for confrontation until victory," the statement added.

"Those who are implicated (in the plot against Iraq) will pay a heavy price," the communique said, warning other unnamed Gulf states against according military facilities to "the forces of evil."

U.S. President George Bush earlier in the day announced that he had sent troops to Saudi Arabia "to stand up for what's right and condemn what's wrong."

Iraq has come under an avalanche of international denunciation following its August 2 invasion of Kuwait, which Washington says now endangers Saudi Arabia.

Iraqi authorities also warned Israel against taking part in any "American aggression" against Baghdad.

A military spokesman said Iraq had informartion that "Israeli planes had been repainted in U.S. colors and that Israeli pilots chosen to take part in an aggression against Iraq had been given identity papers with American names."

In Israel a military spokesman said such statements were "lies" designed to enhance Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's "aggressive intentions by mobilizing the Arab world."

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#90220d3920 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 8) - Sumitomo Chemical, one of the largest Japanese chemical firms, announced plans Wednesday to set up an agro-chemical production and marketing subsidiary in France by October.

The subsidiary, to be located in the Paris area with an inital capital outlay of seven million francs (1.3 million dollars), will focus on sales to France, Europe and Africa, the company said.

Sumitomo Chemical, part of the giant Sumitomo organisation, declared a 1989 turnover of 68 billion yen (453 million dollars) of which 35 billion yen (233 million dollars) came from exports.

Sumitomo Chemical has run sales outlets in the United States since 1988 and a sales network in Singapore since July 1989.

The company leads Japan in the production of high-grade chemicals and most agro-chemical products such as herbicides and pesticides.

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#90220d4010 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MADRID (AUG. 8) - Spain refuses to acknowledge the annexation of Kuwait by Iraq following the invasion of the Gulf sheikdom, the foreign ministry here announced Wednesday evening.

The statement read: ''The goverment of Spain, in accordance with the charter of the United Nations, regards the violent acquisition of territories as unacceptable.

''Consequently, it rejects the annexation of Kuwait by the Republic of Iraq announced by Baghdad today.''

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#90220d4050 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (AUG. 8) - West Germany condemned Wednesday the Iraqi annexation of Kuwait and offered the United States use of West German air space for the deployment of U.S. forces in the Gulf.

A Foreign Ministry communique said Bonn "condemns the annexation, which is contrary to international law, of Kuwait by the government in Baghdad."

The statement added that West Germany "will not accept this shocking violation of the rights of an independent state and its population," and called on Iraq to revoke at once its decision to annex the oil-rich emirate.

A West German government spokesman said meanwhile that Bonn had accepted a request made Tuesday by the United States for landing rights and use of West German air space in light of U.S. military moves in the Middle East.

"Taking into account the Iraqi military invasion, which violates international law, and the resulting threat to peace in the Gulf region, the government in Bonn gave its consent," the spokesman said.

Informed sources said the U.S. would use West German air space mainly for military transport aircraft carrying troops and equipment that would need to make a stop at U.S. military bases in West Germany.

U.S. President George Bush said Wednesday that U.S. ground and air forces were being deployed in Saudi Arabia at the request of the kingdom following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

West German Defense Minister Gerhard Stoltenberg said meanwhile that West Germany did not plan "for the moment" to send warships to the Gulf region to back up U.S. forces already in the area.

He said West Germany had not yet received any request for naval assistance

from Washington.

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#90220d4060 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (AUG. 8) - Jordan's King Hussein said Wednesday the situation in the Gulf was ''deteriorating rapidly'' and that an emergency Arab summit conference to be held within 24 hours ''could be the last chance for a peaceful settlement to the crisis''.

Speaking at a press conference, Hussein said he hoped all Arab leaders would attend the summit set down for 7 p.m. local time Thursday in Cairo, including Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Kuwaiti Emir Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah who fled Kuwait during Iraq's invasion last week.

''I cannot be sure that all will attend, but I hope they do,'' the king told reporters. ''This may be our last chance to solve the problem within an Arab context and away from foreign military intervention.''

He said there was no specific peace plan to be proposed at the summit and said he was not aware of an Egyptian proposal to send a joint Arab force from several Arab states to replace Iraqi forces in Kuwait.

''Actions and reactions are escalating rapidly and dangers are growing with the passage of every moment,'' Hussein warned. ''The summit must succeed, otherwise the escalation would be allowed to lead us to the verge of disaster.''

The Jordanian monarch reaffirmed his country's position which recognises the former Kuwaiti regime, rejects the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait and ''all that the occupation has entailed''.

Asked whether he could personally influence Saddam Hussein not to ''fire the first shot,'' the king said: ''I do not think I am in any position to let anybody do or refrain from doing anything.''

Hussein refused to comment on his position on the deployment of U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia: ''Saudi Arabia is a sovereign state and it is its right to seek any kind of assistance that it may feel it needs. It is not for me to say whether it is a right or a wrong thing to do. Only time can tell whether it is was right or not.''

The king continued: ''We must do everything we can at the summit. I believe the area is passing through one of the most dangerous crises, and we hope we can halt the slide.''

In an apparent reference to Israeli threats, the monarch said Jordan had put its armed forces on alert since the crisis began ''as a precautionary

measure'' against ''certain parties taking advantage of the Gulf situation''.

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#90220d4350 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 8) - The economic embargo imposed against Iraq could prove to be a more powerful weapon than "all the military force the United States is deploying in the Persian Gulf," Soviet television said Wednesday.

The presence of U.S. troops in the Gulf is "an important source of restraint" for Iraq, Soviet television said.

"But it is unlikely that the United States can concentrate enough forces in the region in the next few days to stop the Iraqi army," which has one mi5/8_L(E!ousands of foreigners, including Americans, who are in Kuwait "could become hostages in a direct conflict between the U.S. and Iraq," Soviet TV added.

The television also noted without commentary Iraq's annexation of Kuwait on Wednesday.

A Soviet spokesman had said earlier that Moscow planned to make an "important and significant" statement on Wednesday, without revealing if it concerned the Gulf crisis.

But the announcement was delayed without explanation and a Soviet Foreign Ministry press department spokesman said: "There will be no announcement today. Maybe tomorrow morning."

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#90220d4510 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VANCOUVER (AUG. 8) - Authorities here halted an Iraqi-bound ship loaded with 60,000 tonnes of grain after the Canadian Government decided to implement U.N. Security Council-approved sanctions against Iraq, an official said Wednesday.

The Panamanian-registered Oceanic Explorer was kept in port after authorities received orders not to ship any supplies to Iraq or Kuwait, said Canadian Wheat Bureau official Charles Thompson.

Canada voted in favor of the U.N. Security Council sanctions against Iraq and Kuwait in an effort to pressure Baghdad to remove its troops from Kuwait, which it invaded on August 2.

The U.N. embargo calls on all states to boycott Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil exports, to block the transfer funds and other financial resources to the

two countries, and to stop all exports -- especially of military equipment -- to the two countries.

Iraq imported 900,000 tons of grain from Canada last year. Iraq is the world's third largest purchaser of grain and the largest importer of Canadian grain.

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#90220d4610 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) - The chief foreign trade negotiators of the United States and Mexico Wednesday agreed that their governments should begin formal negotiations "on a comprehensive free trade agreement" between the two countries.

A joint statement issued by U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills and Mexico's Secretary of Commerce and Industrial Development Jaime Serre Puche recalled that on June 11 the presidents of the two countries had "directed us to undertake the consultations and preparatory work needed to initiate negotiations on such an agreement."

The two trade negotiators said: "Today, we jointly recommend to the presidents the initiation of formal negotiations ... on a comprehensive free trade agreement.

"Our consultations and preliminary work have convinced us that a free trade agreement could serve as a catalyst for a new prosperity and greater partnership between our nations."

They pointed out that the United States accounted for two-thirds of Mexico's trade, while Mexico was the third largest U.S. trading partner.

But the two trade negotiators also recognized that "there are concerns about the adjustments inherent in a free trade agreement."

Nevertheless, "we could address them creatively, such as through appropriate phase-in provisions."

The United States has already negotiated separate free trade agreements with Canada and Israel and President George Bush recently suggested the establishment of a regional free trade area to embrace all of the American continent.

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#90220d4750 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (AUG. 8) - The emir of Bahrain, Isa bin Salman al Khalifa, will attend a special Arab summit on the Gulf crisis called by Egyptian

President Hosni Mubarak, an official source said here Wednesday.

The summit, to be held Thursday evening, was proposed Wednesday by Mr. Mubarak as a last-ditch Arab effort to avert foreign military intervention in the Gulf following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Lebanon, Jordan, Morocco, Kuwait, Egypt, Syria, Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Libya, Yemen, Tunisia, Oman and Mauritania have already announced they will attend.

The Arab League has 21 members, including the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The PLO, Iraq, Sudan, Somalia and Djibouti have not yet indicated whether they will attend the Cairo meeting.

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#90220d4840 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 8) - Colonel Ala'a Hussein Ali, head of the Iraqi-installed military government in Kuwait, has been named Iraqi deputy prime minister, the official Iraqi news agency announced Wednesday.

The appointment by presidential decree of Col. Hussein Ali as a deputy prime minister of Iraq follows Baghdad's announcement earlier Wednesday of "total and irreversible" union with Kuwait.

Iraq's decision-making Revolutionary Command Council also named eight military men, including seven members of the "provisional government of Kuwait," advisors to the Iraqi presidency with ministerial rank, the INA news agency said in a dispatch monitored here.

They were Lieutenant-Colonels Walid Saud Mohammad Abdallah and Fuad Hussein Ahmed and Majors Fadel Haidar al-Wafiqi, Misha'l Saad al-Hadab, Nasser Mansur al-Mandil, Issam Abdel Majeed Hussein and Yacub Mohammed Shallal.

An eighth member of the nine-man provisional government named Saturday, Lieutenant-Colonel Hussein Ali al-Shamari, was not included on the list of presidential advisors.

However, INA named an eighth advisor as Major Adel Ali Khamis.

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#90220d5190 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, (AUG 9) - British Ambassador Harold Walker left here Wednesday for Jordan with plans to take up his post in Baghdad, airport authorities said late Wednesday.

The Foreign Office refused to confirm the report, a spokesman saying only that Mr. Walker was on leave when Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait on August 2.

Mr. Walker, who left on a Jordanian aircraft, according to the Heathrow airport information service, was reported to have said: "One of my first concerns is to help the British community and those who come from Kuwait.

"Beyond that, I really mustn't say anything."

Fifty-nine British civilians, with 36 Royal Air Force personnel who had been serving as military advisors in Kuwait, are in a Baghdad hotel, according to the Foreign Office.

Some 2,000 British nationals reside in Iraq.

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#90220d5800 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (AUG. 9) - Enterprise Oil of Britain has discovered oil and gas from its operation off the eastern coast of Java island, the Indonesian state oil firm Pertamina said Thursday.

Pertamina said in a statement that the Bunku-1A discovery well in the Bawean Block flowed 835 barrels of 42.3 API degree crude oil a day and 1.12 million cubic feet of natural gas.

Enterprise operates the bloc under a production-sharing contract with Pertamina.

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#90220d9160 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 8) - The threat of a major strike by 16,000 black miners at South Africa's 22 collieries receded Wednesday following an improved pay offer made late on Tuesday by the Chamber of Mines.

Marcel Golding, of the 200,000-strong National Union of Mineworkers, said the union would recommend acceptance of the offer to colliery members, who had voted by more than 90 per cent for a strike.

No details of the new offer were available. The NUM had asked for increases of between 18 and 20 per cent.

But the union said it would conduct a strike ballot among 11,000 members at De Beers diamond mines after annual pay talks reached stalemate Tuesday.

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#90220d9230 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRETORIA (AUG. 8) - South Africa's maize farmers are set to borrow as much as two billion rands (772 million dollars) this year to plant and grow maize, the National Maize Producers' Organisation (NAMPRO) said here late Tuesday.

NAMPRO warned that if the crop failed the agricultural industry's debt could rise to a record 15 billion rands (5.8 billlion dollars) by the end of the year.

Production costs increased by 27 per cent last year to 468 rands (180 dollars) a hectare, which rose to 726 rands (280 dollars) a hectare when capital costs were taken into account, NAMPRO said.

Fuel, fertiliser, seed and other production costs were expected to rise 25 per cent this year, NAMPRO said.

But it revealed that the number of maize farmers going bust was decreasing, from 691 in 1987 to 425 in 1988 to 348 last year.

This season's crop would cover four million hectares, NAMPRO said.

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#90220d9300 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 8) - Malaysia's Tin Industry Board said Wednesday that it saw no prospects of prices rising above 6.29 U.S. dollars a kilo in the near future because of summer holidays in industrialised countries and high stocks in Europe.

The board, which oversees tin research and development, said in its market review that the daily public auction of metal from the United States' strategic stockpile since July 2 could further weaken the market.

It said the recent fall in tin prices as a result of a build-up in world stocks had caused many mines to close down in Malaysia. At the end of April,
217 mines were operating, down from 255 mines at the end of last year.

The seven-member Association of Tin Producing Countries estimated stocks to have risen to 43,200 tons at the end of February from 32,900 tons a year earlier.

At the end of June, London Metal Exchange warehouses stocked some 12,000 tons of metal of mostly Brazilian origin.

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#90220d9470 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 8) - Brent North Sea oil prices were on the rise again Wednesday morning, at 27.35 dollars a barrel in early London trading after closing Tuesday at 26.55, industry sources said.

The rise in Brent, which had reached 28.10 dollars a barrel in Far East trading overnight, was somewhat curbed however by reports that Iran had indicated the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries could boost production to compensate for the loss of Iraqi and Kuwait deliveries.

International sanctions following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last week include an embargo on oil from the two countries.

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#90220d9520 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (AUG. 8) - The Securities Exchange of Thailand (SET) stopped its plunge on Wednesday, provisionally finishing 35 points or 3.77 per cent up at 957.35 points against Tuesday's 922.35 points close.

In early trading the index rose nearly 60 points but in the final 90 minutes slipped back.

The rise reversed a trend that had seen the SET slide nearly 20 per cent since the start of the month.

Analysts said the market was still jittery over tension in the Middle East and fears of higher oil prices.

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#90220d9540 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 8) - Japan's Mazda Motor Corp. said Wednesday it was forming a transmission venture in Thailand with local car distributor Kijkamol Sukosol Ltd. and Japanese trading firm Toyo Menka Kaisha Ltd.

The new company, called Sukosol and Mazda Engineering Co. Ltd., will be capitalised at 393 million baht (15.4 million dollars) and involve additional investment of about 4.2 billion yen (28 million dollars), it said.

The venture -- owned 51 per cent by Kijkamol Sukosol, 40 per cent by Mazda and nine per cent by Toyo Menka -- is to build a plant in Chacheongsao province producing 4,000 transmissions a month for small vehicles from January 1992.

Mazda already assembles and distributes cars in two existing ventures with

Kijkamol Sukosol, which is also the Mazda dealer in the Bangkok area.

Japanese camera-maker Nikon Corp., meanwhile, said it was forming a 160 million baht (6.3 million dollar) unit in Thailand and investing 800 million baht (31.3 million dollars) in a new production facility north of Bangkok.

The wholly-owned subsidiary, to be called Nikon (Thailand) Co. Ltd., is scheduled to start producing photographic lenses in the year to March 1992, eventually expanding its production to include cameras, it said.

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#90220d9610 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MEXICO CITY (AUG. 8) - Hurricane Diana lashed the Mexican coast east of here packing 120 kilometers per hour winds (75 miles), causing floods which left 3,000 people homeless, the authorities said.

There were no reports of deaths but "we cannot say the danger is over, because we expect widespread floods near the mountains," said Rafael Velasco,
Civil Defense coordinator for the state of Veracruz.

The hurricane, which came ashore Tuesday 300 kilometers (116 miles) east of Mexico City near the town of Tecolutla, was expected to be downgraded to a tropical storm, he added.

He said reports indicated that some rivers were already in flood and 1,500 people had been evacuated from the Poza Rica area.

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#90220d9800 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 8) - Several U.S. warplanes landed in this eastern Saudi province Wednesday, witnesses said.

The United States is sending warplanes and troops to help protect Saudi Arabia against a possible Iraqi invasion.

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#90220d9810 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 8) - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher called an emergency meeting of a key cabinet security committee Wednesday as the Ministry of Defense reviewed plans for British military action in the Gulf officials said.

Though British frigates were ordered to head to the Gulf, a spokesman for

the Ministry of Defense said no troop deployments were planned for the time being.

The Foreign Office, meanwhile, said it had still made no progress in getting 58 British nationals who were sent by bus from Kuwait to Baghdad out of Iraq, though a spokesman said they were in regular and unimpeded contact with British diplomats in the Iraqi capital.

Government sources said the crisis meeting at Downing Street of the Cabinet Overseas and Defence Committee would discuss not only the military situation in the Gulf but also the impact the tension will have on the British economy.

Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major was expected to deliver a report on the consequences the embargo against Iraq and rising oil prices could have on the British economy.

According to media reports here, the rising oil prices could restrict the government's prospects of lowering interest rates and could further delay British entry into the exchange rate mechanism of the European Monetary System.

Britain has already announced that the frigates Jupiter and Battleaxe are being sent to the Gulf to join the destroyer York as part of the Armilla Patrol, but the defense ministry spokesman said no troop deployments were planned at the moment.

"There is a lot of activity looking at what can be done, by whom, if the need arises," one ministry source said, adding: "We are looking at the whole spectrum of military options."

But another source stressed: "We are looking to the diplomats and economic sanctions for a resolution of the problem."

Meanwhile it was announced that Iraqi nationals living in Britain will need special permission from the Bank of England to withdraw funds for living expenses.

There are between 1,500 and 2,000 permanent Iraqi residents in Britain with a further 600 living here on temporary student visas.

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#90220d9820 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBAI (AUG. 8) - The U.S. Embassy advised dependents of U.S. nationals Wednesday to leave the United Arab Emirates (UAE) but stressed there was no "specific threat" against the country following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Sami Hajjar, spokesman for the embassy in Abu Dhabi, said the U.S. State Department was "permitting the dependents of U.S. government officials to depart the area on a voluntary basis."

"The department advises other American citizens to consider doing the same -- that is voluntary departure of dependents only," he added, quoting a communique from Washington.

He said the area cited in the communique comprises the "Eastern province of Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates."

But he added: "The embassy has no information to indicate that there is a specific threat against the UAE or American citizens at this time."

"We will advise them if there is any change in our current assessment."

The State Department has also advised Americans to defer travel to the areas concerned "due to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the continuing unstable conditions in the region."

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#90220d9870 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT ARTHUR, TX (AUG. 8) - U.S. Customs seized 75 million liters (20 million gallons) of Iraqi crude oil from a Norwegian ship docked at a refinery here, officials said.

Customs spokeswoman Sharon Goodson said the oil was seized Tuesday because Bay Oil Co. paid for the shipment Monday, four days after U.S. President George Bush ordered an embargo on Iraqi oil.

The oil was unloaded from the Spanish-registered supertanker Cartho Genova onto the Thoraas, a Norwegian ship that was docked at Sun Oil Nederland holding area in Port Arthur.

Ms. Goodson said there probably would be no penalty against either Bay Oil or the Thoraas.

"The cargo was seized, not the ship," said Erik Leikvang, Norway's consul general in Houston. "The ship itself will not be held back once the oil is removed.

The Cartho Genova, carrying 1.6 million barrels of crude, was in international waters in the Gulf of Mexico beyond the jurisdiction of the U.S. Customs.

But Ms. Goodson said the Coast Guard would be on the lookout for any more oil from the Spanish super tanker.

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#90220d9900 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROME (AUG. 8) - Iraqi troops held up and turned back a convoy of foreigners heading Tuesday from Baghdad to the Jordan border, the Italian news agency ANSA said in a report Wednesday.

Four Italians were in the convoy of about ten cars. The foreigners had been travelling for about four hours when they were stopped by Iraqi soldiers and told to go back to Baghdad, according to the report which cited Italian diplomats in Amman.

The four Italians telephoned to their employers, a firm in Brescia near Milan, when they got back to the Sheraton Hotel in the Iraqi capital.

The Amman diplomatic sources said the travellers set off on the strength of assertions by Jordanian officials who maintained that the border between Jordan and Iraq had been opened for foreigners stranded in Iraq by the Iraq-Kuwait crisis.

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#90220d9970 08/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 8) - Japanese stock and bond prices rebounded as the dollar lost steam in Tokyo Tuesday despite rising tension in the Gulf.

The Nikkei Stock Average jumped more than 856 points to just over 28,509 points -- up 3.1 per cent from the previous close -- following four days of steep losses triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Volume swelled from 526 million shares to 580 million shares but remained relatively light.

"It's basically a technnical rebound which isn't likely to go very far," said the managing director of the Tokyo branch of a European securities firm, noting that tension in the Middle East was if anything getting stronger.

Brokers agreed that a recovery was normal given the Nikkei's plunge of almost 3,200 points or 11 per cent since Thursday of last week, especially in the absence of any sharp deterioration of the situation in the Gulf.

"No news is goods news," one broker said. Others added that Japanese investors were encouraged by overnight rallies in stockmarkets abroad and reports that Saudi Arabia might increase its oil production.

Japanese government bond prices also surged, driving the yield on the

benchmark 10-year issue down from 8.08 per cent to 7.87 per cent. Short-term interest rates, under strong upward pressure in recent days, also receded.

The dollar, which has enjoyed strong buying demand since the Middle East crisis erupted, meanwhile shed 0.60 yen to settle at 150 yen as traders took profits. Spot volume shrank from 11.1 billion dollars to 10.5 billion dollars.

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#90220e0011 08/08/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SAN SALVADOR (AUG 8) EFE - Outbreaks of violence thoughout El Salvador have left at least 37 dead and more than 1,700 injured during the past week, officials have reported.

Police Tuesday said that at least 33 civilians died in sporadic violence in different parts of the country during the the annual national festival, "El Salvador of the World," held over the past week.

Meanwhile, some 41 people were killed or wounded in clashes between leftist guerillas and the Army in the northern Chalatenango province between Monday and Tuesday, military officials said.

The battle was described as the fiercest since representatives of the rightist government met with rebel leaders of the leftist Farbundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) in Costa Rica last month to discuss ending the decade-old civil war.

The officials said three FMLN guerrillas were killed and one soldier wounded in a confrontation in the eastern province of San Miguel over the weekend.

Elsewhere, one civilian was killed after stepping on a suspected rebel landmine on the outskirts of the northern town of Cinquera.

Meanwhile, Red Cross workers reported having attended more than 1,700 cases over the last week, adding that most of the people dealt with had been involved in civilian violence or accidents.

More than 70,000 have been killed since the FMLN began fighting a series of U.S.-backed Salvadoran governments in 1980.

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#90220e0034 08/08/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ASUNSION (AUG 8) EFE - Paraguayan police have arrested two suspected members of the notorious Colombian "Medellin" cocaine cartel in an

Asuncion restaurant as they were discussing plans to steal a plane, officials said Wednesday.

The two suspects, who were arrested late Monday, have been identified by police as Ruben Granados Medina, a Paraguayan pilot, and Marcos Obdulio Sanchez, a Colombian citizen.

Officers failed to detain another three people who were with Granados Medina and Obdulio Sanchez at the restaurant.

According to the police, Granados and Obdulio were plotting to steal a plane on Tuesday, although it was no clear where the aircraft was to be flown to.

The Medellin cartel, which takes its name from the northwestern Colombian city where it is based, is the most powerful of Colombia's cocaine cartels.

Colombian police have mounted a months-long operation aimed at capturing suspected Medellin cartel chief Pablo Escobar.

Escobar is alleged to have ordered a counter-offensive against the Colombian government's 11-month war on drug-traffickers in which hundreds of people have died in bomb and gun attacks.

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#90220e0040 08/08/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG 8) EFE - Three Palestinians were injured Wednesday as gangs of Israelis continued attacks on Arabs in the Occupied Territories following the discovery earlier this week of the bodies of two murdered Israeli teenagers, police said.

The three Palestinians were injured near the Jordanian border in the West Bank where the attackers also overturned two cars.

Israelis have carried out several indiscriminate attacks on Arabs in the Occupied Territories in the backlash to the killings of Israeli teenagers Lior Tubul and Ronen Karamami, whose bodies were found Monday near East Jerusalem.

The two teenagers, who had been stabbed several times and gagged, had been missing since Saturday.

Despite heavy police reinforcements, gangs of hooded Israelis screaming, "Death To The Arabs" attacked Arabs Tuesday in several parts of Jerusalem, injuring 15.

Police said they suspected most of the attacks have been carried out by

members of a racist political party led by Meir Kahane.

Police chief Yaacov Turner, who is in charge of investigations into the killings of Tubul and Karamani, said Wednesday he would release Israelis suspected of being responsible for attacks against Arabs if they promised not to renew the assaults.

Over 1,000 Arabs and some 60 Israelis have been killed in the Occupied Territories since the Palestinian uprising or "intifada" began 31 months ago.

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#90220f2187 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $386.70, silver base of $4.89 and platinum price of $484.00:

Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$402.20	397.40
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	206.30	203.90
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	106.00	104.70
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.80	43.30
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	402.20	397.40
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	206.30	203.90
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.00	105.20
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.80	43.30
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	408.70	403.80
China Panda .50 troy oz.	210.50	208.10
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.20	107.90
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.20	46.60
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.20	27.80
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	402.30	397.50
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	205.60	202.10
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.80	102.60
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.70	44.20
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	400.80	397.60
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	207.40	205.80
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.50	105.60
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.30	44.90
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	400.76	397.40
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	206.00	204.40
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.40	86.70
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.70	45.40
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.30	23.10

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Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.30	$6.29

90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,480	$3,470
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,525	$1,525

Platinum

Australian Koala	504.00	507.00
Isle of Man Noble	493.00	496.00
Canada Maple Leaf	510.00	513.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90220f2188 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 8) UPI - Wheat futures were higher on a pick-up in export business while other grain and soybean prices were mostly lower Wednesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

The overnight sale of wheat to Japan and Algeria and news the Philippines was in the market for 280,000 tons boosted wheat prices. Commercials were featured buyers, but the volume was relatively light.

Corn and soybeans traded in narrow ranges and were mostly lower at the final bell. Traders were consolidating their positions before release of the August crop report Thursday afternoon. Most of them expect the Agriculture Department to predict a corn crop at the high end of trade estimates.

Soybeans were pressured by the lack of activity as many buyers were on the sidelines ahead of the USDA report. Selling was tied to liquidation and closing prices were at or near session lows.

Losses in both corn and beans were limited by light country movement and the cool weather covering the Midwest.

Soybean oil futures were virtually unchanged and meal prices were slightly higher. An estimated 20,000 tons of meal changed hands in Rotterdam at lower prices.

Interior and Gulf basis levels generally were steady.

At the close, corn was off 2 1/2 to up 1/2, soybeans down 1 1/4 to 3, wheat up 2 1/2 to 3 3/4 and oats off 3/4 to up 1/2.

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#90220f2191 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 73.00-74.00 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 141.40 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$265.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.50-$118.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $492.00-$494.00; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $118.00-$119.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 288.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 77.50-87.75 c-lb.

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#90220f2196 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 411.16 up 5.85.

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#90220f2200 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 8) UPI - Stock prices closed slightly higher in anxious trading Wednesday on the London International stock exchange as investors continued to worry whether there would be a military confrontation in the Persian Gulf.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 15.6 points Tuesday, added another 1.7 points to 2,237.5. The narrower top 30 industrial average gained 0.1 point to 1,748.5.

Volume amounted to around 430 million shares, vs. 497 million that changed hands on Tuesday.

Analysts said that trading remained tense but that prices were more stable than in previous days, as the market absorbed a strong speech from President Bush, who called for Iraq's complete withdrawal from Kuwait.

Stocks cut early double-digit losses amid some late bargin hunting, bolstered by a confident Wall Street opening following Bush's speech on the deployment of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia to deter a possible attack by Iraq.

The market opened slightly higher on news that U.S. troops were heading to Saudi Arabia to help stabilize the Middle East, but prices - sensitive to any news and rumors surrounding the region - turned lower around midday amid unconfirmed rumors suggesting Iraqi troops were about to invade Saudi Arabia.

On the trading floor, oil stocks continued to benefit from the Gulf turmoil.

Shell added 5 cents to $8.85 and British Petroleum gained 5 cents to $6.57.

The unrest had the opposite effect on British Aerospace, which has about 3,000 employees based in Saudi Arabia. The stock fell 18 cents to $9.72.

In the pharmaceuticals sector, Smithkline Beecham climbed 65 cents to $9.73 after reporting better-than-expected second-quarter results.

In the insurance sector, General Accident lost 11 cents to $8.90, Royal Insurance lost 14 cents to $7.74 and Commercial Union added 2 cents to

$8.42.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange lost 2.63 percent of their value on concerns over the intensifying troubles in the Persian Gulf.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 29.37 points Tuesday, tumbled 46.62 points to 1,723.68 a - new low for the year and the lowest close since last Dec. 22.

Analysts said prices fell on continuing worries over international political developments, which dampened investor sentiment.

Market watchers also said prices fell amid a deadlock over the timing of the planned full merger of the two Germanys into one nation and the related Pan-German election.

In Zurich, stock prices on the Swiss Stock Exchnage slid in nervous trading that was also marked by uncertainty about the Mideast situation.

The Credit Suisse Stock Index fell 13.4 points to 600.9, while the Swiss Market Index lost 32.8 points to 1,596.5.

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#90220h0135 08/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (AUGUST 8) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN STEPS TO MINIMIZE WHATEVER ADVERSE EFFECTS THE RECENT IRAQ-KUWAIT CONFLICT WILL BRING ABOUT AND TO ENSURE THAT OIL SUPPLIES REMAIN SUFFICIENT TO MEET DOMESTIC REQUIREMENTS, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY CATALINO MACARAIG SAID TODAY.

IN A STATEMENT ISSUED TO THE PRESS TONIGHT, MACARAIG SAID THAT WITH IRAQ AND KUWAIT UNABLE TO FREELY TRADE THEIR OIL PRODUCTION, THE PHILIPPINES HAS TO LOOK FOR ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF CRUDE OIL.

"FOR THE PHILIPPINES, THIS MEANS LOOKING FOR NEW SOURCES OF CRUDE FOR ABOUT ONE-FIFTH OF ITS REQUIREMENTS. DURING THE FIRST SIX MONTHS THIS YEAR CRUDE OIL FROM IRAQ AND KUWAIT ACCOUNTED FOR 20 PERCENT OF NATIONAL SUPPLY," SAID MACARAIG.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY SAID THE AQUINO GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY UNDERTAKEN MEASURES IN THE LIGHT OF THE UNRESOLVED IRAQ-KUWAIT CRISIS INCLUDING: FIRMED UP A NEW TERM CONTRACT WITH IRAN FOR THE SUPPLY OF 20,000 BARRELS OF CRUDE OIL PER DAY; REPLACED SCHEDULED AUGUST CRUDE OIL LIFTINGS FROM KUWAIT WITH THE SAME VOLUME OF 720,000 BARRELS FROM IRAN; STARTED HIGH-LEVEL NEGOTIATIONS WITH POSSIBLE SOURCES OF ADDITIONAL CRUDE OIL.

MACARAIG SAID THE PHILIPPINES HAS ENOUGH OIL INVENTORIES FOR MORE THAN 70

DAYS.

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#90220h0153 08/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LAGOS (AUG. 8) XINHUA - NIGERIA WILL GET LOANS OF ABOUT 750 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FROM THREE FOREIGN CONSORTIUM FIRMS.

THE JAPANESE CONSORTIUM WILL PROVIDE 600 MILLION DOLLARS WHILE THE REST WILL BE PROVIDED BY FRENCH AND ITALIAN CONSORTIUMS UNDER AN AGREEMENT SIGNED HERE YESTERDAY.

SPEAKING AT THE SIGNING CEREMONY, NIGERIAN MINISTER OF PETROLEUM RESOURCES JIBRIL AMUNU SAID THE LOANS WILL BE USED TO ESTABLISH A LARGE PETROCHEMICAL COMPLEX IN BENDEL STATE, SOUTHERN NIGERIA.

THE COMPLEX CONSISTS OF AN OIL REFINERY, A POLYETHYLENE PLANT, A BUTENE PLANT AND UTILITIES AND OFF-SIDE FACILITIES.

THE OIL REFINERY OF THE COMPLEX CAN BE EXPECTED TO TURN OUT AN ANNUAL PRODUCTION OF 300,000 METRIC TONS OF ETHYLENE AND 90,000 METRIC TONS OF PROPYLENE WHEN THE COMPLEX IS COMPLETED.

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#90220h0167 08/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LUANDA (AUG. 8) XINHUA - A DELEGATION OF THE U.S. BECHTEL SERVICE COMPANY ARRIVED HERE TODAY FOR A TWO-DAY VISIT TO ANGOLA.

ANGOLAN PRESIDENT JOSE EDUARDO DOS SANTOS WILL MEET WITH THE AMERICAN DELEGATION HEADED BY HOWARD WAHL AND DISCUSS WITH IT ANGOLA'S SOCIO-ECONOMIC MATTERS AND U.S. INVESTMENT IN THE COUNTRY.

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#90220h0180 08/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NAIROBI, AUGUST 8 (XINHUA) -- SOME AREAS OF ETHIOPIA AND SUDAN COULD FACE THE THREAT OF FAMINE FOR THE SECOND YEAR BECAUSE OF INADEQUATE RAINFALL AT THE START OF THE 1990 CROPPING SEASON, THE U.N. FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION (FAO) SAID TODAY.

IN ITS THIRD SPECIAL AFRICA REPORT OF 1990, THE FAO SAID THAT DRY CONDITIONS STILL EXIST IN NORTHERN DARFUR AND KORDOFAN OF SUDAN, AND THESE AREAS ARE ENCOUNTERING SEVERE FOOD SUPPLY DIFFICULTIES FOLLOWING LAST YEAR'S DROUGHT.

WIDESPREAD CROP FAILURE IS EXPECTED IN NORTHERN AND WESTERN ETHIOPIA UNLESS GOOD RAINS ARE RECEIVED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE CROPPING SEASON,

SAID THE REPORT ENTITLED "FOOD SUPPLY SITUATION AND CROP PROSPECTS IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA".

FAO DIRECTOR-GENERAL EDOUARD SAOUMA URGED DONOR COUNTRIES TO GET READY TO INCREASE FOOD AID IN 1990/91 AS ETHIOPIA AND SUDAN MAY NEED SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE.

THE FAO REPORT SAID THAT THE FOOD SITUATION REMAINS CRITICAL IN ANGOLA AND MOZAMBIQUE WHILE FOOD SHORTAGES ARE BECOMING INCREASINGLY SERIOUS IN LIBERIA.

WITH CONTINUING CIVIL STRIFE IMPEDING THE MARKETING AND DISTRIBUTING OF FOOD AND DISRUPTING AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES, LIBERIA WILL NEED SUBSTANTIAL EMERGENCY FOOD RELIEF FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR, IT SAID.

ALTHOUGH THE FOOD SUPPLY SITUATION IS GENERALLY SATISFACTORY IN OTHER AFRICAN COUNTRIES, THE TOTAL FOOD AID REQUIREMENT OF THE 46 SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN COUNTRIES IN 1990/91 COULD EXCEED THEIR 1989/90 LEVEL OF 4.2 MILLION TONS, THE FAO PREDICTED.

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#90220h0182 08/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 8) XINHUA - IRAN'S OIL MINISTER GHOLAMREZA AQAZADEH SAID HIS COUNTRY WILL BE PREPARED TO RAISE ITS OIL PRODUCTION IN CASE OF A WORLD SHORTAGE, ACCORDING REPORTS FROM THE BBC.

IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE PERSIAN SERVICE OF THE BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION IN LONDON ON TUESDAY, AQAZADEH SAID IRAN WANTED A BALANCE MARKET AND WAS PREPARED TO RAISE OUTPUT AS PART OF A DECISION BY THE WHOLE OF OPEC.

BUT HE SAID THE RECENT SURGE IN OIL PRICES WAS TRIGGERED BY MARKET REACTION AND POLITICAL STATEMENTS, AND WAS NOT THE RESULT OF A SHORTAGE OF SUPPLIES.

ON MONDAY, HE CALLED ON OPEC TO STICK TO PRODUCTION AND PRICE QUOTAS AGREED UPON IN GENEVA LAST MONTH.

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#90220k0017 08/08/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 8) KYODO - KYOCERA CORP. SAID WEDNESDAY THAT ONE OF ITS U.S. SUBSIDIARIES HAS BOUGHT THE REMAINDER OF VARELCO LTD., A BRITISH ELECTRONICS CONNECTOR MAKER IN WHICH IT ALREADY OWNED STOCK.

THE PURCHASE WAS MADE BY ELCO CORP., ITSELF A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF KYOCERA CORP. SUBSIDIARY KYOCERA INTERNATIONAL INC. ELCO INCREASED ITS

STAKE IN VARELCO FROM 49 PERCENT TO 100 PERCENT.

THE CALIFORNIA-BASED ELCO BOUGHT THE REMAINING 51 PERCENT OF THE SHARES FOR 2.9 MILLION POUNDS FROM CAMBRIDGE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRIES, A BRITISH ELECTRONICS PARTS PRODUCER, ON JULY 27, THE MAJOR MAKER OF CERAMIC INTEGRATED CIRCUIT (IC) CASINGS SAID.

VARELCO, BASED IN NEWMARKET, BRITAIN, WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1964 TO MANUFACTURE ELECTRONICS CONNECTORS USED TO CONNECT PARTS OF PERSONAL COMPUTERS AND OTHER ELECTRONICS PRODUCTS.

THE COMPANY POSTED 796,000 POUNDS IN PRETAX PROFITS ON SALES OF 10.55 MILLION POUNDS IN THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31.

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#90220k0057 08/08/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 8) KYODO - THE PHILIPPINES MAY SEEK EXEMPTION FROM THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION FOR A WORLDWIDE EMBARGO ON TRADE WITH IRAQ AND IRAQI-OCCUPIED KUWAIT IF IT COULD NOT FIND AN ALTERNATIVE SOURCE OF OIL, A DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICIAL SAID WEDNESDAY.

''IF WORSE COMES TO WORST, THE PHILIPPINES WILL NOT EVEN BE THE FIRST BLOCKADE BUSTER,'' SAID THE OFFICIAL WHO REFUSED TO BE NAMED.

THE OFFICIAL EXPLAINED THAT IN CASE THE PHILIPPINES IS UNABLE TO SECURE OIL FROM ALTERNATIVE SOURCES, MANILA MAY SEEK EXEMPTION FROM THE SECURITY COUNCIL'S MOVE.

ABOUT 20 PERCENT OF THE PHILIPPINES' OIL SUPPLY COMES FROM IRAQ AND KUWAIT.

THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON MONDAY VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO PUT AN ECONOMIC STRANGLEHOLD ON IRAQ, URGING U.N. MEMBER NATIONS TO STOP TRADING WITH IT AS A PUNITIVE ACTION FOR ITS INVASION AND OCCUPATION OF OIL-RICH KUWAIT.

FOREIGN SECRETARY RAUL MANGLAPUS HIMSELF HINTED THAT MANILA MAY NOT JOIN THE WORLDWIDE EMBARGO.

''WE WILL ABIDE BY THE DECISION OF THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL, (BUT) WE ARE TAKING NOTE OF THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 50 OF THE U.N. CHARTER WHICH PERMITS US TO GO BEFORE THE SECURITY COUNCIL ONCE WE FEEL THAT OUR ECONOMIC POSITION HAS BEEN SEVERELY AFFECTED BY ITS DECISION,'' MANGLAPUS TOLD REPORTERS WEDNESDAY.

MANGLAPUS, HOWEVER, SAID MANILA REMAINS ''OPTIMISTIC'' THAT THE PHILIPPINES WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE UP FOR THE SHORTAGES THAT MAY BE CAUSED BY THE EMBARGO.

HE SAID HE HAS PERSONALLY CONTACTED FOREIGN MISSIONS IN MANILA WHICH ARE IN A POSITION TO HELP THE PHILIPPINES WHILE THE DIFFERENT BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT ARE COORDINATING EFFORTS TO ADDRESS THE SHORTAGE.

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#90220k0070 08/08/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 8) KYODO - MITSUI TOATSU CHEMICALS, INC. SAID WEDNESDAY IT WILL ESTABLISH A FIRM IN SOUTHERN EUROPE JOINTLY WITH SHELL INTERNATIONAL CHEMICAL CO. OF BRITAIN TO PRODUCE DIPHENYL METHANE DIISOCYANATE (MDI) BY 1993.

MITSUI TOATSU WILL INVEST ABOUT 30 BILLION YEN IN THIS EQUALLY OWNED JOINT VENTURE, WHICH WILL PRODUCE 50,000 TONS OF MDI, POLYURETHANE RESIN RAW MATERIALS, ANNUALLY, MITSUI TOATSU SAID.

DEMAND IS EXPANDING SHARPLY FOR MDI, THANKS TO ITS WIDESPREAD APPLICATION IN AREAS SUCH AS HOUSEHOLD ELECTRIC APPLIANCES AND AUTO PARTS. WORLD PRODUCTION OF MDI IS ESTIMATED TO HAVE TOTALED 1.3 MILLION TONS LAST YEAR.

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#90220k0084 08/08/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 8) KYODO - STUTTGART TRUCK AND BUS SALES CO. (STB), A TOKYO-BASED JOINT FIRM SET UP BY MITSUBISHI MOTORS CORP. AND DAIMLER-BENZ AG, ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY IT STARTED MARKETING MERCEDES-BENZ AMBULANCES THROUGH MITSUBISHI FUSO'S 47 NATIONWIDE CAR DEALERS.

THE AMBULANCES ARE THE PRODUCTS OF CHRISTIAN MIESEN FAHRZEUG UND KAROSSERIEWERK GMBH OF WEST GERMANY, A SPECIALIST MAKER OF MEDICAL VEHICLES SUCH AS AMBULANCES.

THE AMBULANCES, EQUIPPED WITH FIRST-AID MEDICAL TREATMENT EQUIPMENT, ARE PRICED AT ABOUT 15 MILLION YEN EACH.

BRISK INQUIRIES ARE FLOWING IN FROM LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL OFFICES AMID AN INCREASING CALL FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT SYSTEMS COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

STB HOPES TO SELL ABOUT 100 AMBULANCES ANNUALLY.

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#90220k0086 08/08/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 8) KYODO - CHANG HWA COMMERCIAL BANK OF TAIWAN OPENED A REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN TOKYO ON WEDNESDAY, THE FIRST TAIWANESE BANK TO SET UP AN OFFICE HERE IN ABOUT 40 YEARS.

IT WAS OPENED UNDER A JAPANESE-TAIWANESE RECIPROCITY ACCORD WHICH ALLOWED THE BANK OF TOKYO TO OPEN ITS REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN TAIPEI LAST FRIDAY FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE THE TAIPEI GOVERNMENT INTRODUCED A ONE COUNTRY-ONE BANK POLICY IN THE LATE 1950S.

FINANCIAL INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES FROM BOTH JAPAN AND TAIWAN, INCLUDING K.H. YEH, PRESIDENT OF THE TAIWANESE BANK, ATTENDED AN OPENING CEREMONEY HELD IN TOKYO ON WEDNESDAY. THE EVENT WAS DELAYED ABOUT ONE MONTH FROM THE ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED DATE DUE TO STRONG OPPOSITION BY CHINA.

FINANCE MINISTRY AND OTHER JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS DID NOT ATTEND THE CEREMONY APPARENTLY OVER CONCERN ABOUT CHINA'S FEELINGS ON THE MATTER AND THE PRESENT ABSENCE OF DIPLOMATIC TIES BETWEEN TOKYO AND TAIPEI, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

WITH INVESTMENTS BY THE STATE AND A GROUP OF PRIVATE SECTORS AT A RATIO OF 51-49 PERCENT, CHANGE HWA COMMERCIAL BANK IS A MAJOR COMMERCIAL BANK IN TAIWAN. ITS NEW TOKYO OFFICE WILL CONTRIBUTE TO EXPANDING BILATERAL TRADE AND BUSINESS TIES AND WILL EVENTUALLY AIM AT BEING UPGRADED TO A BRANCH OFFICE, THE SOURCES SAID.

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#90220m0001 08/08/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 8) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei rebounds from its string of losses to close up 856, the eighth largest gain in history. ... In early afternoon trading, the FT 100 is down slightly. ... Happy Birthday to the S&L bailout, which turns one year old today. The $50 billion originally allocated is expected to be exhausted by the Fall. ... TRANS WORLD AIRLINES is the latest airline to boost ticket prices because of higher fuel costs. year ago. ... ATTORNEY GENERAL DICK THORNBURGH says the Justice Department has decided to prosecute savings and loan officials for specific, case-by-case violations rather than trying to pursue more complex criminal conspiracies to loot failed thrifts.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

PRESIDENT BUSH is addressing the nation on the Mideast crisis at this hour (9 a.m.) in a televised speech from the Oval Office. ... Iraqi leader SADDAM HUSSEIN is supposed to appear in his own televised speech about an hour later. ... EMERSON ELECTRIC plans to spin off its defense units into a separate company. ... The FEDERAL RESERVE is scheduled to release their

"beige" book report on the economy at noon EDT.

FROM THE BULLS:

FNN's JEFF BOWERS reports that technical analyst JUSTIN MAMIS of the "Mamis Guide" writes that "a surprising turnaround in the utility average may be at hand." Overall he feels the stock market looks a lot more scary than it really is. In his eyes, a textbook new bull market bottom is forming. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/7)

"You have some of the highest-quality companies in this country down 25% to 30% in a week," says JAMES AWAD, president of BMI CAPITAL, a money management firm. "I am buying aggressively. My cash level is down to 10% and going lower, and I expect to be fully invested." Awad expects a quick resolution to the Middle East crisis and looks for the Federal Reserve to cut interest rates. He says both events would trigger a quick rebound in stock prices. "Bearishness is pervasive, capitulation is pervasive," says Awad. "But every time there has been a panic like this, if investors bought stocks they made money." (WSJ, 8/8)

"The individual investor should use this [market decline] as an 1 opportunity, once things quiet down, to add to long-term portfolios the stocks that they wanted to buy," says TOM SCHLESINGER, a vice president and equity strategist at A.G. EDWARDS & SONS. "Our brokers are looking for stocks to buy, and that says something about the overall system and the long-term prospects." (NYT, 8/8)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I think we're in a bear market," says BERT DOHMEN of WELLINGTON MANAGEMENT CO. He thinks stocks have been hurt by a weak economy and high interest rates, and is predicting that the Dow may rally to 2800, but will then fall to its first "good support" at 2500. "The portfolios of many investors are underwater this year," says Dohmen. ("Investor's Daily", 8/8))

KENNETH SPENCE, director of technical analysis for SALOMON BROTHERS, says he expects the market to stabilize for a time between 2700 and 2750 on the Dow, but is pessimistic about a sustained rally from there. "This sell-off is fairly orderly," he says. "We don't have any significant institutional panicking. What that indicates to me is that there are still a lot of people left to sell." ("The Washington Post", 8/8)

P.Q. WALL believes the market has topped out until next Spring. He says, "3010.40 was it as an upside breakout scenario" and the probility of reaching that "has been demoted to a mere 10% probability." He adds that the market will find "an intermediate bottom in mid-October and the final bottom late in March 1991." (CNBC "Business View", 8/7)

STOCK MARKET:

"I think the message is getting through to individual investors not to disassemble a portfolio in a period of stress," says BRIAN MATTES, a vice president with the VANGUARD GROUP OF INVESTMENT COMPANIES. STEVEN NORWITZ, a vice president with T. ROWE PRICE ASSOCIATES, adds, "Investors are taking a wait-and-see attitude." (NYT, 8/8)

"We've all been turned into a group of event watchers and reactors to events," says ROBERT STOVALL of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. "If anything, I expect if this continues we'll all profess to be interpreters of camel talk and tent gossip. ... We could see this going on for some time. I think, stepping back, I'd have to conclude that the market will stay under pressure for awhile longer unless there is some real reversal in the Iraqi attitudes." He continues saying the events in the Middle East will "cause the market to be very volatile, but in the background, I think, inflationary pressures are worse now than they were several weeks ago." Stovall's advice to the small investor is "to sit on their assets." (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/7)

"It would probably be best not to be doing a lot of selling now," says RICHARD McCABE, a first vice president at MERRILL LYNCH & COMPANY. MICHAEL SHERMAN, chief investment strategist with SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS agrees: "I don't think you can predict how all this will come out or what it will all mean. Something that sounds right today could change tomorrow." (NYT, 8/8)

BOB BRINKER writes in "Marketimer" that the new price range "will be bounded by 3200 on the upside and 2600 on the downside." Given this scenario he recommends an overall equity weighting of 75% with "a 45% position in the U.S. and 30% in Europe" as "European markets have led the way." (CNBC "Business View", 8/7)

Reports of military activity in the Middle East made for a jittery market. "There's a lot of nervousness here," says JAMES ANDREWS, 2 first vice president in charge of institutional trading at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT INC. "But the Dow basically hung in there at 2700 and it seems like we may be finding a bottom shortly. People are starting to see light at the end of the tunnel. We're down about ten percent from the highs, and I've got to believe we're just about overdone here. The nervous nellies have already sold." (UPI, 8/7)

"It doesn't take much to shake the market up in here," says JEFFREY KAMINSKY of MABON, NUGENT & CO. He says stocks will be traversing "treacherous waters" until the Middle East crisis is resolved. (WSJ, 8/8)

"If the Iraqi situation settles down somehow and oil ends up down toward

the low 20s, then you have a much more favorable investment environment," says PETER CANELO, the chief investment strategist at BEAR, STEARNS & COMPANY. "Everyone understands this is the key to investment strategy. The problem is, there ain't nobody who knows where the price of oil is going to go." (NYT, 8/8)

"Don't forget, one of the things that has been driving world markets of late was the fact that walls were tumbling, democracy was spreading through the world, the Cold War was over," says MITCHELL MEISLER of LEHMAN BROTHERS. "But now we're facing with the realization that there is one area of the world where things haven't gotten better, but only worse." ("The Washington Post", 8/8)

"Most fund managers want to see the Treasury auction, the U.S. budget compromise and the Middle East crisis resolved before they commit heavily to the stock market," says PETER VANDENBERG, senior vide president at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. (WSJ, 8/8)

SARA CERATO of NOMURA SECURITIES says portfolio managers were cautious about getting back into stocks yesterday because "they remember some of the slaughters where the courageous stepped back in" too soon in earlier sell-offs. She advises them to sit tight because the market has been had "by forces beyond our control. There's no solution on the horizon." ("USA Today", 8/8)

STOCK TIPS:

GRUNTAL & CO. recommends stock in DONALDSON CO., a Minneapolis-based maker of air cleaners, filters and exhaust systems used in factories and engines. It says the company's earnings should grow 32% in fiscal 1991 as major acquisitions are integrated and become profitable. ("USA Today", 8/8)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

The U.S. dollar's enormous liquidity and investment opportunities still make it the safe haven currency, but VARICK MARTIN of MANUFACTURERS HANOVER says many are turning to the stability of the Swiss franc. "U.S. interest rates, fear of inflation may make money in the United States less valuable in the months and years ahead. There is some desire for stability and, of course, that's the Swiss franc." It may sound bloodthirsty, says

Martin, but coordinated military action against Iraq would be good for the dollar. (FNN "World Business Update", 8/8)

"The Fed learned [after the 1973 Arab oil embargo] that the thing you absolutely do not do is [push rates down] sharply after an oil shock," says JAMES SOLLOWAY, chief economist at ARGUS RESEARCH. LYLE GRAMLEY, chief economist at the MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION and a former Fed governor, says he believes the Fed will stick to its announced long-range objective of bringing down inflation. ("USA Today", 8/8)

"We might very well see a 9% long bond by Friday," says BRIAN FABBRI, chief economist for MIDLAND MONTAGU ECONOMICS. Fabbri attributes this rate primarily to the breakdown in the budget process, inflationary fears and events in the Middle East. (CNN "Moneyline", 8/7)

"This is a [bond] market in a state of disarray," says JOE PLOCEK of McCARTHY, CRISANTI & MAFFEI. "It's completely buffeted by rumors." Consultant MARIA RAMIREZ of RAMIREZ CAPITAL CONSULTANTS calls the bond market "disastrous" and says, "Investors won't focus on the market when there's so much political uncertainty. They want cash and gold." ("USA Today", 8/8)

"As estimates of the oil-fueled inflation keep rising, it does not improve the environment for a record Treasury refunding or indeed for fixed-income securities in general," says DONALD STRASZHEIM, chief economist at MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MARKETS. "What also preoccupies the bond market is that the budget process in Washington has broken down. Now the Mideast crisis gives the Congress and the Administration perfect excuses not to act on the soaring budget deficit." (NYT, 8/8)

Treasury bonds rallied overnight on news that other OPEC members are willing to increase oil production. "This caused inflation fear to 1 be wrung out of the long bond, temporarily," says LAWRENCE LEUZZI, bond analyst at S. G. WARBURG, who is still looking for a topsy-turvy auction of the ten year note today and the thirty year bond tomorrow. One reason is the competitively high level of interest rates in Japan and Germany. Leuzzi looks for shorter dated issues to continue to rally and the yield curve to steepen as the yield between short and long term issues widens. (CNN "Business Morning", 8/8)

THE ECONOMY:

LAWRENCE KUDLOW, chief economist at BEAR, STEARNS & COMPANY, says he expects a mild recession lasting only six months or so, if the price of oil stabilizes at about $25. Should prices settle a bit higher at

$30, however, "the recession will be longer and deeper," lingering until mid-1991 or later. (NYT, 8/8)

Ten of the fifteen economists surveyed by CNN say we are close to a recession, but not yet in one. "We're near recession, [the economy is moving] about ten miles an hour," says DAVID JONES, chief economist at AUBREY G. LANSTON. Among those surveyed, only LACY HUNT of CARROLL McENTEE & McGINLEY thinks recession can still be avoided: "Even the stock market is not pointing to a recession yet. The stock market will normally decline for about four consecutive quarters from its peak to the start of a recession, and at most right now we have a one quarter decline." (CNN "Business Morning", 8/8)

"We're already in some sort of recession," says ALLEN SINAI, chief economist at BOSTON CO. "What else do you call it when consumer spending and business investment declined in two out of the three latest quarters?" DAVID HALE of KEMPER FINANCIAL SERVICES answers, calling the latest economic downturn "a cyclical cul-de-sac." ("BusinessWeek", 8/13)

"I certainly believe economic growth is going to be at best 0% - 1%," say BRIAN FABBRI, chief economist for MIDLAND MONTAGU ECONOMICS. His worst case scenario calls for recession throughout 1991. (CNN "Moneyline", 8/7)

The U.S. may have to suffer a recession as part of the price of stopping Iraqi strongman SADDAM HUSSEIN's grab for power in the Gulf, according to an unidentified SENIOR U.S. OFFICIAL. "We may have to take the hit. A recession is a real possibility." (Reuters, 8/7)

The inflationary impact of higher oil prices may be blunted by the weakness in the economy, reducing the likelihood of a repeat of the upward price spirals that accompanied fuel-price increases in the 1970s. "There is no doubt companies will try to raise prices to offset oil price hikes," explains CHARLES CLOUGH, chief investment strategist at MERRILL LYNCH & COMPANY. "The question is whether they can make the increases stick in the face of weak demand." (NYT, 8/8)

Consumer credit growth slowed in June to a 0.8% rate from a 6.1% pace in May, according to a Federal Reserve report yesterday. "Consumer spending is sluggish, so people are not extending themselves as far as credit is concerned," says ROSALIND WELLS, chief economist of the NATIONAL RETAIL MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION. "I don't think credit is really going to grow strongly." (WSJ, 8/8)

"We had a financial situation that was a bit like walking on eggshells and the oil crunch is like a Mack truck coming out and driving over the eggshells," says FRANCIS SCOTLAND, managing editor of the "International Bank Credit Analyst," a Montreal-based investment publication. ("The Washington Post", 8/8)

"Clearly the Saudis do want to overproduce ... particularly now that

they are pretty confident that the U.S. will come and prevent Saddem Hussein from entering Saudi Arabia without a visa," says NAUMAN BARAKAT, oil analyst with SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. But he cautions that new excess production from Saudi Arabia and Venezuela will take three to four weeks to come into the market. (FNN "World Business Update", 8/8)

IN WASHINGTON:

"The American public is angry -- they're mad as hell," says SENATOR RICHARD BRYAN (D. - NEV.) in Congressional testimony lambasting U.S. oil companies for price gouging consumers. SENATOR JOHN KERRY (D. - MASS.) asks, "How is it that gasoline that has already been paid for

that is sitting in a tank underneath the service station goes up 11 cents in three days?" ("Nightly Business Report", 8/7)

Critics of the savings and loan industry bailout say that the program is a failure. "It failed on two fronts," CATHERINE ENGLAND, a government affairs expert at the CATO INSTITUTE says of the program. "It didn't provide sufficient funding to clean up the mess that we have [and] it did not deal with the fundamental causes of the savings and loan crisis." (Reuters, 8/7)

Budget negotiators are growing increasingly worried that budget cuts will have a severe impact on the economy. "With the economy in a state of slow growth, people get worried that any adjustment will tip us over," says REP. BILL FRENZEL (R. - Minn.). House Budget Committee Chairman REP. LEON PANETTA (D. - Calif.) agrees, saying, "Obviously, we are going to have to make some adjustments based on what is happening with the economy." One of the problems being faced by the negotiators is an economy that has grown weaker since the original budget estimates were developed. (WSJ, 8/8)

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COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Hecla Mining Co.'s (NYSE, PSE: HL) Yellow Pine Unit has resumed gold production, after a one-year suspension of operations in order to construct a new plant and heap leach pad at the site, the company said today. The Yellow Pine mine, located about 45 air miles east of McCall, Idaho, poured its first gold bar of the season on June 19. By the end of June, the gold mine had produced nearly 8,500 ounces of gold.

Yellow Pine produced about 21,000 ounces of gold during the 1988 season, using another company's heap leach facility located near the mine site. The mine is expected to produce about 60,000 ounces of gold this year, using Hecla's newly constructed gold recovery plant. Full production was

realized three days after plant start-up, with the first processed gold poured just 10 days later.

The Yellow Pine mine has an average grade of 0.08 ounce of gold per ton. Hecla's seasonal heap leach operation will process over 900,000 tons of ore during a seven-month season this year.

Existing oxide ore reserves at Yellow Pine are sufficient to produce about 20,000 ounces of gold during the 1991 mining season, in addition to the 60,000 ounces expected this year. Not included in the present mining operation is Hecla's large sulfide gold deposit at Yellow Pine estimated at between 15 and 20 million tons containing approximately 0.1 ounce of gold per ton.

Hecla Mining Co. is a leading domestic producer of newly mined silver and gold, and a supplier of premium ball clay, kaolin and specialty aggregates. The company has operations and projects under development in 12 states and three Canadian provinces.

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Computer Systems Division of Toshiba America Information Systems Inc. today announced a dramatic $800 price cut on the T1200XE notebook PC, from $3999 to $3199. Other price reductions were also implemented, all of which are effective immediately.

"As a leader in the laptop category, Toshiba has a tradition of providing superior value in terms of price/performance," stated Bill Johnson, vice president and general manager. "These price reductions maintain our leadership position by rapidly responding to recent competitive price reductions and new entries into the market.

"Given our exceptional feature set, the T1200XE once again sets the price/performance standard for 286 notebook PCs," Johnson said.

He pointed out that an independent study conducted in February 1990 documented the superiority of Toshiba's T1200XE. In the study, conducted by Lieberman Research West Inc., over 80 percent of PC business users polled selected the Toshiba laptop over the Compaq LTE.

"The T1200XE offers full functionality with a 20MB hard disk, superior keyboard, large high resolution sidelit supertwist LCD display, yet weighs only 8.1 lbs. and fits easily into a briefcase," Johnson said.

Other affected models include the Toshiba T1200HB, T1600/20T1600/40 and

T1000XE.

The T1600/20 (20 megabyte hard disk version) is now $3499, reduced from $3999, the T1600/40 (40 megabyte version), is now $3999, reduced from $4699. The T1000XE, previously $2699, is now selling for $2399.

Toshiba America Information Systems is a wholly owned subsidiary of Toshiba America Inc. Five divisions within TAIS market a wide range of office automation products within the United States. The Toshiba Computer Systems Division markets and supports high-quality Toshiba portable personal computers and peripherals for the United States marketplace.

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#90220p3177 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

DURHAM, N.C. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Recent publicity regarding the weight loss industry has prompted many obese people to adopt a wait and see attitude toward dieting.

''That's a dangerous approach,'' said Susan S. Schiffman, Ph.D, professor of medical psychology and director of the obesity clinic, Duke University. Many people may be harming themselves by choosing not to lose weight.

She points to studies that indicate that obesity is a condition that can predispose people to many health problems, including heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes and gallbladder disease.

Schiffman said that obese men and women are three to four times more likely to develop gallstones. This is supported by a statistic from the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Disease that indicated that more than 500,000 Americans have their gallbladders surgically removed each year.

In addition, a study on the risks of developing cardiovascular disease found that the prevalence of coronary disease was approximately 2.0 times higher for the heaviest group of obese men and 2.4 times higher for the heaviest group of obese women both under the age of 50.

''Recently one of my patients told me that she was 'scared to diet' because of the unfounded danger being communicated to people,'' said Schiffman.

There have not been any studies linking health problems to a weight loss program comprising 1,000-1,500 calories per day, which is the desired

caloric intake while losing weight, according to Schiffman.

''When studies demonstrate that obese individuals show a high mortality rate from cancers of the colon, rectum, prostate, gallbladder, breast or uterus, the message is clear: obesity, not weight loss is the real danger '' Schiffman warned.

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#90220p3179 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Pacific Enterprises (NYSE: PET) today announced a net loss of $229 million, or $3.34 per common share, for the second quarter. The loss included $275 million ($3.94 per share) in charges to earnings of the company's oil and gas and retailing businesses.

"Although these charges reduce income now, they should help to position our companies for future earnings growth. At the same time, the solid performance of our utility and our continued strong consolidated cash flow readily accommodate our dividend policy," said Pacific Enterprises Chairman James R. Ukropina.

Ukropina emphasized that although the company was reporting a loss, it continues to enjoy a healthy cash flow. He said that cash flow should be further enhanced by recent significant increases in oil prices.

Cash flow from operations totaled $148 million, or $2.07 per common share, compared with $155 million, or $2.36 per share for the second quarter of 1989. For the first six months of 1990, cash flow from operations was $330 million, or $4.65 per share, compared with $343 million, or $5.26 per share, for the same period a year ago.

Included in the charges against second quarter earnings were a $175 million ($2.51 per share) noncash write-down taken by the parent's Pacific Enterprises Oil Co. unit and a $100 million ($1.43 per share) charge by its Thrifty Corp. retailing business.

In announcing the quarterly results, Ukropina said a number of calculations and decisions were needed to determine the amount and timing of the charges. Final figures were only approved by senior management for recommendation to the board of directors just prior to the directors' Aug. 7 meeting.

In accordance with the Securities and Exchange Commission's full cost accounting rules, the oil company wrote down its oil and gas properties to reflect low energy prices in effect on June 30.

Ukropina noted that if current oil prices had prevailed on June 30, the company would not have had to take a write-down. The size of the write-down also was influenced by a decline in oil and gas reserves since the end of 1989.

The charge to retail operations, which represents 10 percent of retailing's assets, is part of an intensive review of retail group operations by corporate and retail management aimed at improving Thrifty's earnings performance over time. The company has identified preliminary steps to be taken, including accelerated closings of marginal stores, inventory adjustments and organizational changes.

In its retailing business, Ukropina announced that Richard G. Eils, 52, Thrifty president and chief executive officer, resigned to pursue other interests.

Daniel A. Seigel, 48, executive vice president, was named president and chief operating officer, effective immediately. Before joining Thrifty, Seigel served as president of two other Pacific Enterprises subsidiaries -- Pacific Energy and Pacific Enterprises Leasing Co. Leonard H. Straus continues as chairman.

Excluding the $275 million charge, but including an $11 million (16 cents per share) depletion benefit resulting from the oil and gas write-down, net income was $46 million, or 60 cents per share, for the second quarter of 1990.

For the second quarter of 1989, the company reported net income of $53 million, or 78 cents per share.

Reflecting the write-down, Pacific Enterprises reported a net loss of $161 million, or $2.44 per share, for the first six months of 1990. The company reported net income of $120 million, or $1.80 per share, for the same period of 1989. Excluding the $275 million charge but including the depletion benefit, net income for the first six months of 1990 was $114 million, or $1.53 per share.

Ukropina noted that the per share figures reflected an 8 percent increase in the weighted average number of common shares outstanding since the second quarter of 1989. For the second quarter of 1990, the company's weighted average number of shares was 69.8 million.

Consolidated operating revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, totaled $1.6 billion, compared with $1.5 billion for the same quarter a year ago. For the year-to-date, consolidated operating revenues were $3.5 billion, compared with $3.4 billion for the same period of 1989.

Interest expense after taxes was $30 million for the second quarter of

1990, the same as last year.

Pacific Enterprises, with headquarters in Los Angeles, also owns Southern California Gas Co., the nation's largest natural gas distribution utility.
  Its Los Angeles-based Thrifty Corp. is a drug store and sporting goods chain retailer with more than 1,000 stores. Pacific Enterprises Oil Co., headquartered in Dallas, is a leading independent oil and gas company with operations concentrated onshore in the United States.

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#90220p3191 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - A California psychologist, dressed as a bum, will be panhandling in various sections of New York City, from Sunday afternoon Aug. 12 until Tuesday evening Aug. 14, 1990, to study people's reactions toward beggars. Media will be able to contact the researcher while he is on the street, via his cellular telephone, to get updates on his experiences.

Psychologist Robert R. Butterworth, Ph.D., wearing three rumpled shirts, a week's growth of beard, a disheveled appearance but with a concealed microphone up his sleeve, conducted a research project in May to discover firsthand, how beggars are treated on the streets of Los Angeles.

Now it's the Big Apple's turn to be tested. Butterworth will be experiencing firsthand how New York attitudes toward it's beggars differ from Los Angeles.

Butterworth's account of his experiences as a street panhandler in Los Angeles was chronicled in a story in the Los Angeles Times , (May 20, 1990; View section, page 1) titled, "Psychologist Goes Panhandling on the Streets of L.A. -- Not able to make minimum wage but rarely encountered hostility."

"Looking like a panhandler I said, 'Gotta Nickel?' in various sections of Los Angeles. I rarely met hostility but couldn't make minimum wage getting an average of 85 cents an hour -- Adult males gave the most, females over 50 ignored me and teenagers were the most annoying. My overall impression was that Los Angeles does not treat it's panhandlers harshly," according to Butterworth in the L.A. Times story.

The story stirred up, mixed emotions regarding people's feelings toward panhandlers. However, the Los Angeles' researcher feels for this study to be representative of the United States he needs to focus on an East Coast city.

Accordingly, Butterworth dressed as a bum and wired for sound will be begging on the streets of Manhattan by day, and sleeping in his car at night. He will be equipped with a cellular telephone so he can be contacted for updates. Stuffed in his sock will be an American Express Card and recent press clippings in case he is arrested.

Psychologist Robert R. Butterworth, Ph.D., is president of Contemporary Psychology Associates Inc., a counseling and research organization in Los Angeles. Butterworth's comments, observations and surveys have appeared in print and broadcast media throughout the United States and Europe.

WHEN: Sunday Aug. 12 starting at 4 p.m., until Tuesday, Aug. 14 at 6 p.m.

WHERE: Media sources can call Butterworth via his cellular phone to check on his daily progress and current location in Manhattan. Cellular phone no. 212-359-3719 activated on Aug. 12, 1990, 4 p.m. 4 p.m. Phone contact before Aug. 12, 213-487-7339.

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#90220p3192 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Transcisco Industries (AMEX: TNIA/TNIB) announced today that its 20 percent owned joint venture railcar leasing unit, SOVFINAMTRANS, has leased 830 additional Uni-Temp equipped tank cars. SOVFINAMTRANS is a joint venture owned by the Ministry of Rail and Petro Chemicals of the U.S.S.R., HAKA Corp. of Finland and Transcisco Trading Co., a subsidiary of Transcisco Industries Inc. SOVFINAMTRANS will purchase the Uni-Temp heating systems from Transcisco Trading Co. and install them in existing Soviet tank cars in Finland and the U.S.S.R. With the addition of these 830 leased tank cars, SOVFINAMTRANS will now have a fleet of over 1,300 Uni-Temp equipped heated tank cars. SOVFINAMTRANS also operates an additional 1,500 non Uni-Temp equippped tank cars and is the first and only railcar leasing company in the U.S.S.R.

Mark C. Hungerford, chairman of Transcisco Industries, said, "This new order of Uni-Temp equipped tank cars in the U.S.S.R. validates the tremendous technical performance and market acceptance of Uni-Temp tank cars both in the U.S.S.R. and by its export customers in Western Europe. We expect to begin delivery this fall and continue deliveries into 1991. SOVFINAMTRANS anticipates adding more Uni-Temp equipped tank cars to its lease fleet in the future. Adequate financing can be obtained for these tank cars because of the very positive financial and operating performance of SOVFINAMTRANS since it founding in 1989."

Transcisco Industries operates railcar maintenance and retrofitting operations through its Transcisco Rail Services division and its wholly owned subsidiary, Transcisco Tours, operates a dinner train in San Antonio Texas. Transcisco owns 36 percent of PLM International, an AMEX-listed diversified equipment leasing company, and Transcisco also owns 20 percent of SOVFINAMTRANS, a U.S.S.R. railcar leasing company that operates tank cars with Trancisco's Uni-Temp heating system. Trancisco expects to diversify its exposure, both in equipment-types and geography, to proprietary transportation equipment, parts and operating businesses using its own unique technologies and its proven financing skills.

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#90220p3193 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIMAS, CALIF. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Vestar Inc. (NASDAQ: VSTR) announced today that it has been granted U.S. patent No. 4,946,683, which covers an efficient method for the preparation of liposomes containing the cancer drugs doxorubicin or daunorubicin. The claims encompass a wide variety of liposome formulations without limitations as to size. The process enables the drugs to be added to preformed liposomes such that the drugs are fully taken up into the internal part of the liposome by the end of the process.

Dr. Roger J. Crossley, president and chief executive officer, of Vestar, said, "We see this as a very important patent for Vestar since the process covered by this patent encompasses a highly effective method used by Vestar in developing its doxorubicin and daunorubicin anticancer agents."

Vestar currently holds 9 U.S. patents, 3 of which have been issued in 7-11 foreign countries, with 21 U.S. and 306 foreign patents pending. Vestar has also licensed rights under 3 additional U.S. patents.

Vestar Inc. is a pharmaceutical company focused on the development of therapeutic and diagnostic agents for cancer, AIDS, and related diseases.

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#90220p3197 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SASKATOON (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan Inc. (NYSE: POT) announced today that its board of directors has declared a quarterly dividend of Cdn.$0.18 per share payable Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record Oct. 25, 1990.

PCS is also filing today, with the Canadian securities commissions, a

preliminary prospectus relating to the qualification of the common shares into which the special warrants sold on Aug. 2, 1990 may be exchanged once a final prospectus has been cleared by the Canadian securities commissions. An S-1 Registration Statement respecting the common shares is also being filed today with the Securities and Exchange Commission in the United States.

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#90220p3198 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Vestron Inc. (NYSE: VV) has announced the sale of its wholly owned subsidiary, Vestron Pictures Japan, to ASCII Corporation.

Vestron launched its Japan operations in 1984 with the groundbreaking home video success "Making Michael Jackson's Thriller." The company distributes motion pictures in all media through its own sales and marketing organization based in Tokyo with a branch office in Osaka.

In conjunction with the sale of its Japan subsidiary, Vestron has executed a multiyear license agreement covering theatrical, non-theatrical, home video and television catalog, including "The Princess Bride," "Hamburger Hill," "Young Guns" and "Dirty Dancing."

ASCII's acquisition includes completed product for release during 1990/1991 including the thriller "Blue Steel," starring Jamie Lee Curtis and Ron Silver, and "Back Track," starring Dennis Hopper and Oscar- winner Jodie Foster.

ASCII Corporation is a worldwide organization with diverse interests related to the personal computer market including book and magazine publishing and the development, manufacture and marketing of computer networking services and software.

All of Vestron's Japan management and staff, headed by Managing Director Dick Sano, have been retained by ASCII. Vestron's Japan home video rights will continue to be marketed under the Vestron Video International label by the new organization to be known as ASCII-Vestron Pictures Japan.

Jon R. Peisinger, chairman of Vestron International Group, stated: "The sale of Vestron Japan reflects Vestron Inc.'s previously announced intention of divesting itself of certain assets and operating units. We are pleased to have reached an agreement with ASCII, which assures us that Vestron's product for the Japan market will continue to be in strong hands."

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#90220p3201 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANTON, OH (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - In one of the largest ATM orders placed this year, Bank One, Texas, NA is purchasing 400 automated teller machines (ATMs) from Diebold, Incorporated (NYSE: DBD) primarily for installation in Diamond Shamrock-owned convenience stores in Texas.

Bank One will install more than 350 Diebold Modular Delivery System 1060 compact cash dispensers in Diamond Shamrock-owned stores, while the other 1060s will be used in other off-premises locations. The multi-million dollar order also includes pedestals, signage towers and video surveillance cameras for the cash dispensers.

Installation will begin in San Antonio in September with replacement of 84 competitive machines owned by a former savings and loan organization. About half of the machines will be installed in 1990, with the remainder set to be installed by mid-1991.

Purchase of the Diebold machines is an important step in expanding Banc One's ATM network, according to Dominick. The bank will have over 500 machines in Texas, and Banc One Corporation (NYSE: ONE), based in Columbus Ohio, will then have over 1,000 ATMs nationally, making it the sixth largest bank ATM network in the United States.

Banc One Corporation has assets of $27.9 billion, not including Bank One, Texas, and common equity of $2.69 million as of June 30, 1990; Bank One, Texas reported assets of $13.1 billion. Banc One Corporation now operates banking organizations in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin and Texas with 716 offices.

Diebold, Incorporated is a world leader in the automation of self- service transactions, security products, software and service for these systems. Headquartered in Canton, Ohio, Diebold maintains offices worldwide.

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#90220p3203 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, NY (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Integrated Waste Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: IWSI) today reported record revenues and earnings for the second quarter and first half of 1990, ended June 30, 1990. Revenues for the second quarter were up 79 percent to $4.1 million, from $2.3 million for

the comparable 1989 period.

Net income for the quarter ending June 30, 1990, was $449,093, representing an increase of 192 percent from the $153,558 reported for the second quarter of 1989. Earnings per share were $0.10 for the recent quarter, compared with $0.05 per share in the 1989 period, with a larger number of weighted average shares outstanding in the 1990 period due to the company's initial public offering.

For the first half of 1990 the Company's revenues were up by 72 percent to $7.3 million, compared with $4.3 million for the 1989 period. Net income for the first half of 1990 was $620,093, representing a 140 percent increase from the $258,558 earned in the first half of 1989. Earnings per share for the first six months of 1990 were $0.17 on a larger number of weighted average shares outstanding, versus $0.09 per share for the similar 1989 period.

James H. Williams, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said "Our record performance for the first half of 1990 was primarily due to significant profit margin improvement. Several of our operations began to achieve higher levels of productivity, in particular our Buffalo Transfer Station and Construction and Demolition Landfill."

He noted that the company's net profit margin widened to 19 percent in the second quarter of 1990 from 11 percent in the comparable 1989 period.

Reviewing the outlook for the remainder of 1990, Williams said, "We expect the second half of 1990 to equal or exceed the first half in profitability. The robust growth in our Buffalo Transfer Station is expected to continue throughout the rest of the year. In addition, we expect growth in earnings from our Construction and Demolition Landfill, where we are currently the only licensed operator in the region."

Williams added, "Our acquisition of a 200 acre facility near Buffalo for a sanitary landfill should prove to be very profitable once it is operational. We are currently waiting to obtain the necessary permits and expect to receive them within the next year."

Integrated Waste Services, Inc. of Buffalo is a non-hazardous waste management company which provides solid waste management services to governmental, commercial and industrial customers. The company's services include collection, transfer, disposal and recycling of solid waste, and tire shredding and slitting, including on-site remediation of tire stockpiles.

Integrated Waste Services, Inc. completed its initial public offering on May 14, 1990. The company sold 2,587,500 shares providing gross proceeds of $12,937,500.

INTEGRATED WASTE SERVICES, INC.
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Periods ended:	Three months		Six months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$4,106	$2,300	$7,329	$4,254
Income from operations	1,667	972	2,731	1,951
Income before provision for income taxes	787	255	1,105	449
Net income	449	153	620	259
Net income per share (A)	.10	.05	.17	.09
Wtd. avg. common shares outstanding	4,336,401	3,000,000	3,671,892	3,000,000

(A) -- Rounded.

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#90220p3204 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - SmithKline Beecham (NYSE: SBH) announced todaythat second quarter sales from continuing operations increased 9 percent to $1,966 million (1,130 million pounds sterling) and operating profit (trading profit) from continuing operations increased 30 percent to $393 million (226 million pounds), compared to the second quarter of 1989.

Reflecting this strong operating performance, and despite higher interest arising from the merger, pre-tax profits rose 6 percent to $343 million (197 million pounds) compared to $322 million (185 million pounds) in the second quarter of 1989. Interest expense in the second quarter was $52 million (30 million pounds) compared to $2 million (1 million pounds) for the second quarter of 1989. However, compared to the first quarter 1990, interest expense fell by 45 percent, reflecting the reduction in SmithKline Beecham's debt to $1,430 million (822 million pounds) on June 30, 1990.

Earnings for the quarter rose 2 percent to 16.2 cents (9.3 pence) per Ordinary Share and $0.81 (46.5 pence) per Equity Unit compared to the second quarter last year. The average number of shares outstanding increased 3 percent to 1,325 million from 1,289 million.

For the first six months of 1990, sales and trading profit from continuing operations were up 14 percent and 27 percent respectively. On a pro forma basis, profit before tax rose 34 percent and earnings per share rose 26 percent.

Operating profit growth for the second quarter was not materially affected by movements in exchange rates. Operating profits for six months gained 4 percent due to the effect of currency fluctuations.

Robert P. Bauman, chief executive, stated: "The second quarter performance was highlighted by continued sales growth, strong operating profit and significant debt reduction.

Henry Wendt, chairman, said: "Our results this quarter continued in line with our expectations. We are pleased with the accomplishments of SmithKline Beecham's first year."

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#90220p3205 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - A spokesman for Jay H. Shidler and Robert W. Holman announced today that their consent solicitation materials to replace Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ: GROS) current board of directors with their own nominees have been finalized. Solicitation of the company shareholders' consents will begin immediately.

The Shidler/Holman Group has been the second largest beneficial owner of Grossman's shares for the past 19 months. The Group made proposals to acquire all of the company's common shares on June 9, 1989, for $10.25 per share and 83 percent of the common shares for $9.00 per share on Oct. 21, 1989. The company's board of directors judged this second proposal as "not fair and adequate."

According to Shidler/Holman Group's spokesperson, the Group is committed to "taking all necessary steps to realize value for all Grossman's shareholders" in contrast to the failure of the company's highly publicized "value enhancement" program and the currently depressed stock price.

The Group's specific plans for creating value for Grossman's shareholders addresses what they believe is a fundamentally flawed strategy by the company to take on the industry giants like Home Depot in head to head competition. The Shidler/Holman Group also proposes a restructuring of Grossman's balance sheet to refinance subordinated debt and provide additional working capital, which could also be used in conjunction with a share repurchase program.

The nine nominees proposed by the Shidler/Holman Group to replace the current Grossman's board members are:

-- Jay H. Shidler, of Honolulu. Managing partner of the Shidler Group, a nationwide investment organization founded in 1972 investing in corporate securities, corporate sale-leaseback transactions, and commercial real estate properties.

-- Robert W. Holman Jr., of San Francisco. Chairman and CEO of Holman/Shidler Investment Corporation, specialists in corporate sale/leasebacks transactions.

-- W. Allen Doane, of Philadelphia. Currently chief operating officer of the Shidler Group and previously group vice president of IU International, a $1.6 billion revenue corporation.

-- Robert Harrow, of Newton, Mass. A 17-year veteran of Grossman's, he was most recently executive vice president before leaving the company in 1989.

-- Stephen Oresman, of Greenwich, Conn. Partner and president of the Canaan Group, Ltd., a management consulting firm, and previously president of the BBDO International advertising agency and chairman of Booz Allen & Hamilton, International.

-- Peter J. Elrick, of New York. Managing director of Elrick Capital Incorporated, an investment banking firm, and a former vice president of Allen & Co., Inc.

-- Stuart Rose, of Dayton, Ohio. Chairman and CEO of Audio/Video Affiliates, Inc., a NYSE retailer of consumer electronics.

-- James Rodden, of Honolulu. A private investor and former president of Monarch Building Supply, a privately owned building supplies wholesaler.

-- Stephen Cucchiaro, of Boston. Management consultant and former president and co-founder of Datext, Inc., a business information services company.

Jefferies & Company, Inc., is serving as financial advisor to the Shidler/Holman Group in connection with the consent solicitation and D. F. King & Co., Inc., is serving as the Group's consent solicitor.

Copies of the consent solicitation materials may be obtained from D. F. King & Co., Inc., 77 Water St., New York, NY 10005 (telephone 212-269-5550 collect or toll-free 1-800-522-5001).

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#90220p3207 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) today announced it will feature the recently-released dBASE IV version 1.1 and demonstrations of prototype cross-platform ports for that product, at its forthcoming Technical Conference, Sept. 9-12, 1990, in Anaheim, Calif.

The conference will offer 40 technical sessions, many of which will highlight dBASE IV version 1.1 programming and usage tips, techniques and insights. Session topics include What's New in dBASE IV version 1.1; Programming Techniques for Multiuser Applications; Getting the Most out of Windowing and Menus; and Optimizing dBASE Applications for Performance.

"Our technical conference comes at a perfect time following the recent release of dBASE IV version 1.1," said Ron Dennis, head of Developer Services at Ashton-Tate. "There are many people out there who have a lot of questions about the product, and we have assembled a faculty of the most knowledgeable dBASE product experts to provide the answers."

Dennis said the conference will feature more than 70 speakers in all, including such noted dBASE product experts as Robert Davies, president, SBT Corp.; Adam Green, author and lecturer; Tony Lima, author and president of Pacific System Design Workshop Inc.; Michael Masterson, president of the Silicon Valley dBASE User Group; and Dr. Peter L. Olympia president of Darwin Systems.

During general sessions, Ashton-Tate executives and technologists, including president Bill Lyons, are scheduled to brief conference attendees on the company's strategies and plans. Heading discussion topics will be an update on Ashton-Tate's efforts to port dBASE IV to new hardware and operating system platforms.

Headquartered in Torrance, Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software. The company's major product categories include database management systems word processing, integrated decision support, spreadsheets, graphics and software utilities. Ashton-Tate is an international company with products available in 20 languages in more than 50 countries. The company also offers a comprehensive line of consulting, training and support services for individuals, corporations and government agencies.

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AUSTIN, TX (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - GONOSTAT, a genetic transformation test (GTT) for the detection of gonococcal infection, will be available for use in clinical and reference laboratories in reagent form in September, it was announced today by GenTrans Technology Inc., an Austin-based microbiology company.

The GONOSTAT test, which had previously been available only through the direct mail of specimens to the company's own reference laboratory, will be marketed in 40-test, reagent kits for use in other public and private laboratories.

The company, which recently acquired Technology Management & Marketing Inc. (TMMI) for the purpose of manufacturing and marketing the new reagent has completed construction of a manufacturing facility near Austin. Manufacturing prototype work and regulatory reviews are scheduled to be completed in August.

GONOSTAT is based on the detection of gonococcal DNA in clinical material and is independent of living gonococcal organism. It is a culture-based test similar to the long-established, standard gonorrhea culture methodology which depended on the living specimen reaching a laboratory. GONOSTAT has similar high specificity and sensitivity to the culture method, but does not require the costly and complicated transport of specimen under strict environmental conditions.

GenTrans Technology (which continues to operate TMMI's clinical laboratory at San Antonio) will initially direct its marketing program toward public health laboratories throughout the United States. Public health historically conducts most gonorrhea testing in the United States, and the GONOSTAT process is designed for larger volume testing and screening programs, such as state and regional public health, planned parenthood, and family planning, which require a highly- efficient, cost-effective method for testing.

GONOSTAT received 510K marketing clearance in August 1989 from the Food and Drug Administration.

GONOSTAT allows specimen to be shipped even by regular mail in transit for as long as 20 days, and specimen are not affected by heat or cold while in transit. Since the GONOSTAT test is conducted from the extract of DNA from patient samples, only the dry swab used for collecting samples must be shipped. The swab does not have to be shipped to the processing lab in special containers or under prepared environmental conditions.

The GONOSTAT Reagent's ease-of-use at the laboratory is enhanced by its similarity to standard culture methodology, and its compatibility with existing equipment found in most large clinical laboratories.

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Corollary Inc. today announced an agreement with European Marketing & Sales Ltd. (EMS) of Heathrow, England, to develop distribution channels in Europe for Corollary's multiport products.

Corollary's family of Serial I/O Subsystems are used by leading PC OEMs who want to provide support for multiple users.

"We have been very successful in the U.S. through OEM agreements with Digital Equipment Corp. and Hewlett-Packard," said George White, president of Corollary. "With the help of EMS, we expect to achieve the same level of success in Europe."

Over the past eight years, EMS has developed export markets for companies such as Compaq, Lotus, Sequent, Cygnet and MIPS, by securing large contracts for volume distribution and OEM channels in both Europe and Asia.

Corollary's agreement with EMS encompasses Europe's fastest-growing high-tech markets: The United Kingdom, Germany, France, Benelux, Scandinavia, Spain and Italy.

"We are excited about the opportunity to work with Corollary because of its leadership in the UNIX-based PC marketplace," said Carter Alexander, president of EMS. "Corollary is setting the de facto standard in PC multiprocessing, and its multiport products are used by two of the world's leading computer companies."

Corollary's multiport product family currently consists of the 8x4 Serial I/O Subsystem, which supports 286, 386 and 486 ISA, EISA and Micro Channel-based computers. A single 8x4 card provides high-speed support for 32 terminals from one slot; up to four cards may be used to support 128 users.

Corollary Inc. develops, manufactures and markets proprietary high-performance hardware and software products that extend the power of 386- and 486-based PCs running the UNIX operating system by increasing processing capacity via multiprocessor technology and by providing support for multiple users.

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BOSTON (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Radius Inc.(TM) today announced an open standard for the calibration of color display systems for Macintosh II computers. The Radius PrecisionColor(TM) Calibrator which supports multiple color reproduction standards, will now also support third party manufacturers' display systems. With the PrecisionColor Calibrator standard graphic designers and publishing professionals can specify colors at the design stage that can be accurately reproduced at the proofing and, most importantly, production stages.

PrecisionColor Calibrator Software Version 1.2 supports multiple color reproduction standards including PANTONE(R) (Pantone Inc.'s check-standard trademark for color reproduction and color reproduction materials.) Color Simulations, ANPA-COLOR(TM), and AD-LITHO(R)/AdPro(R) ROP Newspaper Color standards. Third party software developers that support the PrecisionColor Calibrator standard include Adobe Systems Inc., Letraset U.S.A., and Quark Inc. PrecisionColor Calibrator is also supported by third party printer manufacturers including QMS Inc. and Nikon Inc.

With today's announcement, the Radius PrecisionColor Calibrator is now compatible with the complete line of Radius displays, Apples's 13 inch RGB Color Monitor and selected third party Sony Trinitron displays, including those marketed by manufacturers such as E-Machines Inc., RasterOps Corp. and SuperMac Technologies.

"With the support of third party displays, only the Radius PrecisionColor Calibrator can provide an open solution that assures color accuracy and color fidelity across a wide variety of applications, and a number of different displays and printers," continued Bailey.

The Radius PrecisionColor Calibrator corrects individual display biases and calibrates the display to achieve accurate color simulations resulting in on-screen colors which can be accurately reproduced through the production process. It also displays accurate and repeatable gray scale values for professional black and white image processing.

Developed for graphics and publishing professionals, PrecisionColor Calibrator combines optical sensing hardware with Radius proprietary software.

To calibrate a display, the user selects the PrecisionColor icon in the Control Panel, and places the optical sensor on the screen. Calibration is simple and takes up to three minutes.

PrecisionColor achieves color consistency and accuracy by measuring light

output from the display and adjusting the display system. By adjusting the color temperature and gamma settings, a single display may be set to achieve any number of design objectives. In addition, displays in remote design locations may be calibrated to one another.

Color temperature control allows the user to compensate for various lighting conditions and variations in software applications. Gamma settings for scanning devices improve the display of scanned images so that all details, even those in shadows, appear accurately on screen. Gamma settings which display captured video images as they would appear on an NTSC (composite) display may also be chosen.

An Apple Desktop Bus Device (ADB), PrecisionColor installs with no more difficulty than a keyboard. When not in use, the optical sensing device stores in the base recess. PrecisionColor Calibrator requires any member of the Macintosh II family of computers with a minimum of 8- bit display capability.

Software products which will support the PrecisionColor Calibrator standard through the toolkit include: Adobe Illustrator 88(R), Aldus FreeHand(TM), Aldus PageMaker(R) Color Extension, Crosfield Lightspeed Color Layout System(R), Letraset ColorStudio(TM), Letraset DesignStudio(TM), Letraset LetraStudio(TM), Letraset Ready Set Go!, Electronic Arts Studio 32 and Quark XPress. Printer products include: Oce Graphics G5232 Color PostScript(R) Printer, QMS ColorScript 100 Printers, NEC Technologies, Nikon and Tektronix. Price and Availability

PrecisionColor Calibrator Software v1.2 will be included with every PrecisionColor Calibrator shipped in the fourth quarter. Current PrecisionColor Calibrator owners may obtain PrecisionColor Calibrator Software v1.2 from their local Radius Authorized Reseller. It may also be obtained electronically from AppleLink under the Radius icon, from CompuServe at 76004, 2155, from America On Line at RadiusDS, or from Connect at Radius.tech.

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DEARBORN, MICH. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The waiting is over, in more ways than one.

Today, the centralization of Ford Motor Company's (NYSE: F) Customer

Assistance Center is complete, as the last three of the Ford Parts and Service Division's 28 districts are brought on-line and all customer assistance requests are now handled by a Ford team stationed on three floors in Detroit's Renaissance Center.

Lee Miskowski, Ford vice president and general manager of the Ford Parts and Service Division, marked the launch of the center by personally handling a customer phone call.

With the consolidation complete, and a new national toll-free phone number in place, all customer calls and letters are being handled at the national center, meaning higher accessibility and quicker responses than ever for Ford and Lincoln-Mercury owners.

"Our goal is 95-percent customer accessibility on the first call for customers who call the center," said Al White, owner relations operations manager.

"Gone forever are the days when customers would call, get a ring, keep waiting but never get an answer," he added. "The move to centralization with one toll-free number for customers across the country was done for only one reason -- to improve customer satisfaction."

The Customer Assistance Center began handling inquiries from some parts of the country in March of this year. With the centralization complete, all calls that previously went to individual district offices now come to the national center, via the toll-free number: 1-800-392-3673 (FORD).

Customers who call the old district owner relations number now receive a phone recording of the new toll-free number. Starting in the 1991 model year, owner guides in every Ford-built car and truck sold in the U.S. will contain the new toll-free number.

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BEDFORD, MASS. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Computervision, a Prime Company, today introduced a new series of aggressively priced solutions for computer-aided engineering, design, and manufacturing (CAE/CAD/CAM) based on the new SPARCStation IPC from Sun Microsystems.

The new CADDSolutions couple Computervision's integrated CADDS 4X CAE/CAD/CAM software with the Sun SPARCStation IPC workstation. The systems offer performance of 15.8 MIPS, greatly expanded memory and storage capability, and a warranty extended to one year, at a savings of up to 15 percent off previous systems. Prices for an entry level

drafting seat are as low as $23,995, and a fully configured mechanical design system is available from $41,400.

An entry level drafting seat, BabyCADDS 42F/CADDSdraft, on the new SPARCStation IPC is now priced at $23,995, reduced from $28,900. The new system provides greater memory and storage capacity than the previous system, as well as a one-year warranty. With CADDSdraft, users can view, manipulate, and detail product models and drawings created on any CADDS 4X system without the data conversion and translation required from other low-cost drafting tools. The entry level system provides many features of the full CADDS software, including associativity between 3-D models and 2-D drawings, and the ability to meet full ANSI, ISO, JIS, and DIN dimensioning specifications. In addition to its lower price, the new 42F/CADDSdraft offers customers expanded software options and an upgrade path to a full CADDSolution.

"The recent advances in Sun's hardware makes it possible for us to deliver much greater capability to our customers is a more cost- effective package " said Massood Zarrabian, Computervision vice president for CADDS marketing. "With these new systems, manufacturing firms can distribute the power of CADDS to more designers and engineers throughout their organizations."

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FORT WASHINGTON, PA. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. (NYSE: RPR) today announced that it is considering divestiture of its Dermik Laboratories subsidiary, with the objective of obtaining prescription product lines in exchange.

Dermik Laboratories will have projected sales in 1990 in excess of $42 million and income before taxes and interest of $15.4 million, reflecting continued strong profitability, cash flow and growth. Dermik Laboratories competes in the topical steroid and acne segments of the dermatological marketplace and currently ranks third in sales overall among other dermatological specialty companies.

Rhone-Poulenc Rorer is seeking to offer Dermik in exchange for product lines that better fit the company's strategic direction in human pharmaceuticals (cardiovascular, allergy/inflammation, cancer, infectious

disease, central nervous system, and bone metabolism). Rhone-Poulenc Rorer said it believes that Dermik will be strategically attractive to a company whose R&D focus includes dermatology.

Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. is a global pharmaceutical company dedicated to the discovery, development, manufacturing and marketing of human pharmaceuticals. With worldwide sales of more than $3 billion and R&D expenditures of $400 million, the company operates in all major markets of the world.

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OAKBROOK TERRACE, ILL. (AUG. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Telesphere Communications Inc. (AMEX: TSP), a full service long distance telephone company and a leading provider of interactive 900 network services, today announced that it has signed an agreement with Voice Control Systems of Dallas, to integrate voice recognition and speaker verification technology into Telesphere's TravelNet calling card. Available later this year, the new feature will allow users to speak, instead of dial, authorization codes and destination telephone numbers.

According to Scott Moster, Telesphere's director of product marketing, the new voice recognition capability will allow Telesphere cardholders to select their own authorization codes rather than use numbers assigned to them by the carrier. In addition, speed-dial feature will allow cardholders to reach frequently called numbers with spoken commands such as "home" or "office."

A further advantage of the new capability is that fraud resulting from lost or stolen credit cards will be minimized, since a thief would have to be able to imitate accurately the owner's voice when trying to make an unauthorized call.

"We're proud to be a pioneer in using state-of-the-art voice processing technologies as part of our calling card system" commented Moster. "Voice recognition represents a major feature enhancement to our long distance service offering. It will also allow us to offer calling card services to rotary dial as well as touch-tone telephone users."

Voice Control Systems is a privately held Dallas-Based manufacturer of enhanced voice processing products. The company is the world's leading provider of speaker-independent voice recognition technology, with more than 25,000 systems in use worldwide. VCS technology spans a variety of applications, including interactive voice response, telephone operator automation, cellular "hands-free" dialing and consumer electronics.

Telesphere Communications Inc. operates a nationwide, state-of-the- art digital fiber optic network over which it provides long distance, operator interactive 900 and other enhanced telecommunications services.

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TRAVERSE CITY, MICH. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - To work more effectively with all of its stakeholders, General Motors is forming a new GM Supplier Policy Forum, GM President Lloyd E. Reuss announced today. The forum will provide the supplier community with specific opportunities to interact with top GM policymakers on cross-divisional and corporate issues.

In a keynote address at the University of Michigan Management Briefing Seminar, Reuss said that the new forum is part of an overall effort to "profitably regain North American market share."

Reuss said this will be achieved by listening closely to customers and delivering the products they want, with a balance of "quality, cost, speed to market and total customer satisfaction" with the entire ownership experience.

In addition, he said, GM would leverage its specific assets -- its nameplates, customer base, dealer body and technological resources -- into competitive advantages.

Reuss said that GM's strategy is a decentralized one that balances corporate "strategic coordination" with "local freedom of execution." He emphasized that the new GM management team "is (now) moving the organization and all of its partners into an action mode," shifting from the "what" of strategizing to the "how" of execution.

Echoing the theme of the conference -- "Managing Paradoxes" -- Reuss said that the contradictions that face the industry, such as stimulating employee loyalty while under intense competitive pressures, can be managed only if each organization works constructively with all of its constituencies to do whatever will best serve the interests of its customers.

To satisfy its customers, GM has committed itself to "patient, hard" work with its stakeholders, including its employees, its dealers, and its suppliers, Reuss said.

He cited ways in which GM is working more closely with its people by identifying "the best operating methodologies and leadership practices in

the business world" and spreading them, via its joint union- management Quality Network, throughout the corporation. He said examples include the "synchronous organization" concept used by the Automotive Components Group and the production material inventory system used at the GM truck assembly plant in Shreveport, La.

Reuss pointed to the new GM-Dealer Policy Committee, recently formed to "ensure continuous dealer input on corporate issues and policy matters that affect dealers," as an example of how GM is working with another key constituency. To date, the committee has made progress on issues such as the 1990 Sales and Service Agreement.

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PASADENA, CALIF. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (NYSE: JEC) announced today that its subsidiary, Robert E. McKee Inc., has been awarded a contract by the California Department of Corrections for the construction of the reception facilities at the California State Prison, Kern County, Delano.

The new reception center facilities, which have a constructed value of approximately $51 million, will include 430,000 square-feet of housing cells and dormitories, medical and dental facilities, holding cells, processing centers, visiting centers, chapels, administrative offices, and support facilities such as a modern kitchen. McKee is also responsible for the installation of all security and fire protection systems.

The project is expected to take 16 months to construct with occupancy slated for the end of 1991.

Robert E. McKee, a wholly owned subsidiary of Jacobs Engineering Group Inc., offers both construction and construction management services and specializes in constructing high-tech, health care, and commercial and institutional facilities.

Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. provides single-source environmental and hazardous waste management, consulting, engineering, design, architectural construction, construction management, contract maintenance, and operations services to government and industry worldwide.

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TROY, MICH. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - K mart Corporation (NYSE: KM) announced the first of four Atlanta Little Caesars(R) Pizza restaurant test sites opens for business today at the K mart store located at 5615 Memorial Drive, Stone Mountain, Ga.

K mart and Little Caesars announced in April they had signed an agreement to test the operation in eight stores: four Michigan and four Georgia K marts. The first Michigan location opened in Rochester on July 3, 1990. Exact locations will be announced as they open.

The Little Caesars operation will be located near the store entrance and operate during K mart's normal hours.

Special breakfast pizzas as well as muffins and Danish will be served from 9-10:30 a.m. After 10:30 a.m., the menu will offer pizza by the slice, Baby Pan! Pan!(TM), Caesar Sandwiches(R), salads, Crazy Crust(R), Pizza! Pizza!(R) (medium only), ice cream, yogurt, soft drinks and slushes.

Little Caesars, the world's largest carry-out pizza chain, currently has more than 2,900 restaurants worldwide and expects to reach 3,300 by the end of 1990. Sales are projected to reach $1.5 billion by year end.

K mart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. K mart, currently operating 2,331 K mart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse, Inc. and The Sports Authority.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Marriott Hotels, Resorts and Suites announced today the acquisition of the rights from Champions Sports, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSBR) to open sports bar restaurants under the "CHAMPIONS" trademark in its hotels.

"The CHAMPIONS' concept in conjunction with Marriott is an excellent fit. It is popular with both our male and female hotel guests. The agreement will allow us to expand the number of CHAMPIONS in more of our hotels nationwide," said Bill Hulbert, vice president of Marriott's Bar and Restaurant Development.

At present, there are 10 CHAMPIONS in operation at Marriott hotels throughout the country. A number of hotels are targeted under the new

agreement, including the Philadelphia Downtown Marriott scheduled to open in 1993.

Although terms of the agreement were not disclosed, this arrangement will provide CHAMPIONS Sports, Inc. the financial means to further develop its marketing and franchising efforts nationally and internationally.

James Martell, president and chief executive officer of Champions Sports, Inc. noted, "The trademark licensing agreement we have negotiated with Marriott Hotels, Resorts and Suites is a win/win proposition for both companies."

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FLINT, MICH. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company has opened a new facility to provide state-of-the-art training for its gas workers to prepare them to meet the challenges of the 1990s and beyond. The Gas Operations Training Center, located in Flint, includes more than 34,000 square feet of space dedicated to classroom-style and hands-on instruction for the utility's 1,000 natural gas system employees.

The facility, located in the utility's Flint Service Center, on East Court Street, has 12 classrooms, six laboratories and three outside field training areas. Here, Consumers Power employees receive instruction on how to perform their jobs better, whether they answer customer calls, respond to gas emergencies, install gas appliances or maintain the company's vast gas distribution system.

"The training is extensive and allows us to provide our employees with the knowledge and skills they need to continue to provide the best and safest service to our customers," said Gary Ewert, gas operations training supervisor.

The state-of-the-art facility was specifically designed to meet the training needs of the natural gas business. The labs contain gas meters, mains and appliances hooked up to simulate real-world devices. The outside areas are being developed into training fields for corrosion fighting and gas line location exercises.

The Flint Service Center will hold a public open house, which will include tours of the Gas Operations Training Center, on Saturday, Sept. 15, 1990, from noon until 5 p.m. The Consumers Power Energy Van will also be available for public viewing at the site.

Consumers Power serves more than 3.4 million people with natural gas in a 12,900-square-mile service territory covering 40 Michigan counties. It is the lowest cost major natural gas utility in the state.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Net income of Woolworth Corporation (NYSE: Z) rose 4.2 percent to $50 million, or 39 cents per share, in the second quarter ended July 28, 1990, from $48 million, or 37 cents per share, in the corresponding year-earlier quarter, Harold E. Sells, chairman and chief executive officer, reported today.

For the 26 weeks ended July 28, 1990, net income rose 4.8 percent to $88 million, or 68 cents per share, from $84 million, or 65 cents per share, in the comparable 1989 period.

Per-share data for the prior year has been restated to reflect a two-for-one split of common stock on May 31, 1990.

Revenues for the 13 weeks ended July 28, 1990, rose 10 percent to $2,191 million from $1,983 million in the comparable 1989 period. Specialty store revenues rose 14 percent and general merchandise revenues rose 8.4 percent. Domestic revenues increased 7.4 percent and foreign revenues, expressed in U.S. dollars, increased 15 percent. If foreign revenues had been translated into U.S. dollars at year- earlier foreign exchange rates, foreign revenues would have increased 7.8 percent and total revenues 7.5 percent.

For the 26 weeks ended July 28, 1990, revenues increased 10 percent to $4,256 million from $3,860 million in the corresponding period of 1989. Specialty store revenues rose 15 percent and general merchandise revenues increased 7.0 percent. Domestic revenues increased 8.5 percent and foreign revenues, expressed in U.S. dollars, increased 13 percent. Foreign revenues would have increased 7.3 percent, and total revenues 8.0 percent, had foreign revenues been translated into U.S. dollars at year-earlier exchange rates.

Operating profit (income before unallocated items) rose 7.9 percent in the 13 weeks ended July 28, 1990, to $123 million from $114 million in the comparable 1989 period. Specialty store operating profit was unchanged

from the $66 million reported in the comparable period of 1989, and general merchandise operating profit rose to $57 million from $48 million. Domestic operating profit rose to $68 million from $62 million and foreign operating profit rose to $55 million from $52 million. If foreign operating profit were translated at year-earlier exchange rates, foreign operating profit would have been unchanged from the prior year. Sells stated, "Operating profit improvements in our European, domestic Woolworth and domestic Kinney operations offset profit declines resulting from increased promotional activity in the specialty chains making up our U.S. Apparel Group and in our Canadian and Australian operations."

For the 26 weeks ended July 28, 1990, operating profit rose 8.1 percent to $214 million from $198 million in the comparable period of 1989. Specialty store operating profit rose to $118 million from $112 million and general merchandise operating profit rose to $96 million from $86 million. Domestic operating profit rose to $141 million from $130 million and foreign operating profit rose to $73 million from $68 million. If foreign operating profit were translated at year-earlier exchange rates, foreign operating profit would have been $1 million higher than the prior year.

On Aug. 6, 1990, Moody's Investors Service upgraded Woolworth Corporation's senior debt rating to A1 from A2. According to Moody's, its action "is based on its expectation that the company will continue to show the above-average performance of the last five years" and "reflects the improvement in the balance sheet which has been achieved in spite of the aggressive capital expenditure program."

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COSTA MESA, CA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Irvine Sensors Corp. (NASDAQ: IRSN) today reported operating results for the firm's third fiscal quarter ended July 1, 1990.

Contract revenues were $1,015,000 versus $822,300 in last year's third quarter. Revenues through the first 39 weeks of fiscal 1990 were $2,768,700, a 26 percent improvement from the $2,202,300 of revenues in last year's first three quarters. Net loss for the fiscal 1990 third quarter was $151,200 versus the $252,400 loss incurred in the comparable fiscal 1989 period. Losses through the first three quarters of the current fiscal year were $458,500, a 35 percent reduction from the $708,900 in losses incurred through the comparable three quarters of fiscal 1989.

James Alexiou, president, said, "Our results to date ensure that fiscal

1990 will be significantly improved over last year. Furthermore, the underlying reasons for this improvement suggest that this trend should continue into fiscal 1991. However, until our commercial penetration becomes more broadly established, we remain sensitive to the short-term variability of government procurements which still constitute the majority of our business base."

Irvine Sensors, headquartered in Costa Mesa, is primarily engaged in the development of infrared devices and high density packages of computer electronics which will have broad applications in military and commercial systems.

IRVINE SENSORS CORP.
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(Unaudited)

	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	July 1, 1990	July 2, 1989	July 1, 1990	July 2, 1989
Contract revenues	$1,015,000	$822,300	$2,768,700	$2,202,300
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of contract revenues	704,500	589,900	1,925,000	1,499,500
General and administrative	224,100	176,900	610,800	449,800
Research and development	8,100	16,500	68,700	17,700
Unabsorbed indirect expenses	223,300	281,200	601,500	920,500
Total	1,160,000	1,064,500	3,206,000	2,887,500
Loss from operations	(145,000)	(242,200)	(437,300)	(685,200)
Interest expense	(6,400)	(10,200)	(20,900)	(24,000)
Interest income	200	---	300	600
Loss before provision for income taxes	(151,200)	(252,400)	(457,900)	(708,600)
Provision for income taxes	---	---	600	300
Net loss	($151,200)	($252,400)	($458,500)	($708,900)
Net loss per common and common equivalent				

share	($0.02)	($0.03)	($0.05)	($0.08)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	9,394,400	8,599,300	9,152,600	8,546,900

CONTACT: John Stuart of Irvine Sensors Corp., 714-549-8211.

-30- 3201

#90220p3235 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunex Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNX) today reported, as expected, a net loss of $3.8 million, or 48 cents per share, for the quarter ending June 30, 1990. The quarterly loss was due in part to increased investment in proprietary research and development spending as well as higher general and administrative costs related to necessary preparations for the eventual marketing of GM-CSF. For the same three-month period in 1989, the company reported a net loss of $1.6 million or 20 cents per share.

Immunex also reported net income applicable to common stock of $1.3 million, or 16 cents per share, for the six months ending June 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $2.6 million, or 34 cents per share, for the same period in 1989. The improvement was due primarily to $9 million in one-time fees from Hoffmann-La Roche Inc. and Behringwerke AG realized in the first quarter.

"Immunex during the second quarter continued on target to prepare for the eventual marketing of the company's GM-CSF," said Stephen A. Duzan, Immunex chairman and chief executive officer. "For the rest of the year, clinical development will continue to increase as we focus more on the development of other products for the oncology and autoimmune markets to which we have marketing rights."

During the period, Immunex successfully converted its outstanding 7 1/2 percent convertible debentures into common stock thereby reducing the company's long term debt by $40 million. The conversion, completed on July 6, 1990, added 2.12 million shares outstanding and reduces annual interest expense by $3 million.

In addition, 5,000 preferred shares held by Eastman Kodak Company were converted into common stock on June 1, 1990, adding 275,000 shares to the common stock outstanding. That transaction reduces annual preferred stock dividends by $300,000.

Duzan noted that the company remains in excellent financial position, ending the second quarter with $47.4 million in cash and marketable securities.

Immunex is a leading biotechnology firm focused on the research, development, manufacture and marketing of immunological therapeutic products for cancer and autoimmune disease. The company is developing one of the biopharmaceutical industry's largest proprietary portfolios of cytokines and cytokine receptors.

CONTACT: Valoree Dowell of Immunex Corp., 206-587-0430; or Joseph Jennings or Gregory Spector, both of Joseph Jennings Communications Inc., 415-349-8400, for Immunex Corp.

-30- 2712

#90220p3236 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, BC (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - HQ Office International Inc. (NASDAQ: HQOIU) announced today that holders of record of its Class A Common Stock Purchase Warrants (the Warrants) as of Aug. 6, 1990, will have the right to exercise the Warrants at a price of $1.50 per share for a 30-day period beginning Aug. 6, 1990, and ending on Sept. 5, 1990. After Sept. 5, 1990, the exercise price of the Warrants will return to $2.00.

George J. Handgis, president and chief executive officer stated, "We anticipate that the reduction of the exercise price of the warrants will lead to their quick exercise. The proceeds from the exercise of the warrants will allow Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse to continue our expansion plans. We intend to open our third superstore on Aug. 9, 1990, in the downtown area of Edmonton, Alberta an two additional locations in Calgary and Victoria in September and October."

Robert J. McNulty, chairman stated, "Sales at Great Canadian's two existing superstores have exceeded original expectations. Annualized sales at our Vancouver superstore are 30 percent over plan, and sales at our Edmonton superstore are 20 percent over original expectations. Average sales per transaction at both of our Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouses continue to exceed $80.00 per transaction."

Founded on a unique merchandising strategy based on direct shipment from manufacturers, rapid inventory turnover, and centralized control of purchasing, replenishment, and pricing, Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse maintains deeply discounted prices and excellent service. The company plans to have up to eight superstores open in Canada by the end of 1990.

CONTACT: George Handgis, President and CEO, 604-273-3133, or Douglas MacLellan, (investors), 213-491-3500, of HQ Office International Inc.

-30- 2027

#90220p3238 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODLAND HILLS, CALIF. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - New Image Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: NMS) announced today that it anticipated releasing earnings for its 1990 fiscal year on Friday, August 10, 1990. Dennis Smolinski, chief financial officer of the company, said that the company's auditors were in the process of completing their work and anticipated that audited results would be available at that time. The company expects to recognize a loss in the quarter ended June 30, 1990, but will remain profitable for the year ended June 30, 1990. New Image indicated that it would have no further comment with respect to the results of operations for fiscal year 1990 until audited numbers are available.

CONTACT: Dennis Smolinski of New Image Industries Inc., 818-702-0285

-30- 943

#90220p3239 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - NovaCare, Inc. (NASDAQ: NVCR) today announced audited results for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. Net revenues totaled $102,110,000, an increase of 46 percent over the prior year. Gross profits for fiscal 1990 increased 54 percent to $39,478,000 or a 39 percent gross profit margin as compared with $25,586,000 or a 37 percent gross profit margin for the prior fiscal year. Fiscal 1990 income from operations totaled $19,534,000 compared with $8,999,000 for the previous year. Income from operations as a percent of revenue increased from 13 percent to 19 percent. Fiscal 1990 net income was a record $.87 per share compared with prior year earnings of $.38 per share, a 129 percent improvement.

The company's performance continues to improve on a quarter-to- quarter basis. Compared with the three months ended March 31, 1990, gross profits and income from operations for the June 1990 quarter increased by 8 percent and 10 percent, respectively. Net earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $.27 per share compared with $.24 per share for the March quarter 1990, and $.13 for the same period last year.

John H. Foster, chairman and chief executive officer, stated that, "Growth and improved profitability on a year-to-year and quarter-to- quarter basis resulted primarily from our larger number of rehabilitation therapists coupled with our acquisition of Heartland Prather in April which posted fourth quarter revenues of $613,000. Most importantly, our efforts to become the 'Employer of Choice' reduced employee turnover from an annualized rate of 47 percent during the fourth quarter of 1989 to an unprecedented 21 percent in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990. Implementation of a 401K Plan and a new management training program during the fourth quarter contributed significantly to that success. Consistent with expectations, near-term productivity softened during the June 1990 quarter because of increased hiring. Fiscal year-to-year employee productivity improved by nearly 2 percent. We are confident that

staffing and productivity gains will continue into the new year".

NovaCare, Inc. is the largest provider of contract rehabilitation therapy services to the healthcare industry and the only provider of such services on a national basis.

CONTACT: Timothy E. Foster, senior vice president of NovaCare, 215-631-9300, or Susan A. Noonan or Anthony J. Russo of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for NovaCare

-30- 2727

#90220p3240 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Heritage Electronic Dictionary, with powerful SearchText(tm) technology, is now available directly to PC users, Houghton Mifflin Company (NYSE: HTN) announced today.

The American Heritage Electronic Dictionary (AHED) is a sophisticated reference and writing tool that provides PC users with instant access to the information contained in Houghton Mifflin's American Heritage Dictionary. AHED contains complete dictionary information for more than 116,000 words in an integrated and easy-to-read format.

The SearchText feature helps users generate ideas, remember unusual words, verify facts, and find words when only a vague meaning, or a related concept is known. Type in "stock and market," for example, and SearchText returns bullish, bearish, rally, ticker, and stock market.

AHED also includes Roget's II Electronic Thesaurus, with half a million synonyms for 42,000 words, as well as Wildcard, Anagram, and Cut and Paste functions. As a free introductory offer, AHED also includes Writer(tm), a basic word processing system.

AHED is the first in Houghton Mifflin's Upon Request(tm) Series of reference and writing utilites designed to help PC users write more clearly, quickly, and with greater impact. Houghton Mifflin's Software Division previously distributed its business products through agreements with original equipment manufacturers. The division will continue to seek such agreements, while expanding into the retail market with its Upon Request Series.

AHED differs significantly from spelling checkers and other electronic dictionaries by offering a superior database of dictionary information, and innovative ways to access and use it. AHED's entries include: detailed definitions, parts of speech, spelling correction, hyphenation, usage notes, pronunciation, synonyms, inflections, and idioms, related words, example sentences, and more.

Houghton Mifflin's Software Division is a leading supplier of reference, writing, and proofreading software.

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-30- 2300

#90220p3242 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Two partners of Chartwell Associates, the Fisher family and Gordon P. Getty and family interests, reported today that their newly formed investment vehicle, Malakand Associates, L.P., purchased an additional 1,233,508 shares of Avon common stock from A/J Partnership, pursuant to an option agreement previously granted to Malakand by A/J on July 5, 1990.

The Fisher family and Gordon P. Getty and family interests, together with Argonaut Partners I, L.P., constitute all the partners of Chartwell.

Today's purchase brings the aggregate holdings of Chartwell and Malakand to 26.19 percent, or 14,824,100 shares, of Avon's common stock. In addition, Chartwell owns 50,000 shares of Avon preferred.

CONTACT: Roanne Kulakoff or Lissa Perlman of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Malakand Associates

-30- 1020

#90220p3243 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Nasta International, Inc. (AMEX: NAS), announced today a $1 per share cash offer by Tyco Toys, Inc. (NASDAQ: TTOY), for the approximately 1.3 million outstanding shares of Nasta that Tyco does not already own. Tyco announced it intends to commence shortly a tender offer directly to the stockholders of Nasta.

Tyco also announced its intention to offer to exchange, on a dollar for dollar basis, a new issue of Tyco ten-year 8 percent subordinated debentures for Nasta's outstanding $7.5 million principal amount of 12 percent convertible subordinated debentures (AMEX: NAS.A). Tyco said agreement in principle has been reached for the exchange of over $3 million of the Nasta debentures. A Tyco spokesperson said a registration statement covering the debentures will be filed promptly and the exchange offer would commence upon its effectiveness.

A spokesperson for Nasta said that its board of directors has appointed a special committee of directors to review Tyco's tender offer and exchange offer and that such committee has retained an investment banking firm to assist it in evaluating Tyco's offers.

CONTACT: Burt Neuman of Nasta International, 215-698-2121

-30- 1383
#90220p3244 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Volkswagen United States, Inc. today announced that on Aug. 10 it will launch an unprecedented customer assurance program called the Passat Satisfaction Guarantee. With this program, the company will become the first automaker to offer a "money-back" guarantee on a new car purchase.

The program guarantees that a buyer of the company's new Passat family sedan or wagon will be completely satisfied with the purchase or the vehicle can be returned for a full refund within 30 days or 3,000 miles. Normal costs associated with purchase, such as sales tax, title and license fees, will also be refunded.

Bill Young, vice president in charge of Volkswagen United States, said: "If you buy a Passat, you'll like it - that's the message we got when 97 percent of our Passat owners said they'd recommend the car to a friend or family member. Based on that research, we're launching the Passat Satisfaction Guarantee. It's clean and it's simple: you're either completely satisfied with your new Passat or we refund all of your money. Period."

Young said the proliferation of models, "gimmicky" financing options and rebates within the mid-size family car segment in which the Passat competes have resulted in uncertainty and confusion on the part of the customer.

"Because buying a car is a significant investment, the consumer feels there's an element of risk involved. Is this a car they're going to be happy with and is this the right price, or is there a better price coming? With this program, we eliminate that risk by creating a no-lose purchase," he said.

The program is an extension of the non-traditional marketing approach which VW/US implemented last October. At that time, the company set itself apart from the competition by reducing prices on many of its models and announcing that it would do away with consumer rebates.

Concurrently, the company launched its Fahrvergnugen campaign designed to emphasize the European driving experience which differentiates Volkswagen products from Japanese and American competitors.

Volkswagen's first entry into the highly competitive mid-size car market, the Passat, is powered by a 134-horsepower, 16-valve engine. For its base suggested retail price of under $15,000, the Passat offers a long list of standard equipment such as four-wheel disc brakes, air conditioning,

height-adjustable steering wheel and more interior space than most of its direct competitors.

CONTACT: Donna Boland of Volkswagen United States, (313) 362-6769.

-30- 2748

#90220p3245 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW CASTLE, PA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Galaxy Cheese Co. (NASDAQ: GALX) -- manufacturer of FORMAGG(R), the no cholesterol, premier cheese alternative -- today announced improved financial results for the company's first quarter of fiscal year 1991.

The company reported a 23 percent increase in net sales to $5,237,935 for the three-month period ended June 30, 1990, compared to $4,274,139 for the first quarter ended June 30, 1989. Net income for the quarter was $10,114 or $0.00 per share vs. a net loss of $87,784 or $0.02 per share in the comparable period of 1989.

Sales to food service customers increased 90 percent in the first quarter of fiscal 1991, vs. the comparable quarter last year. "While we are pleased that our sales growth continues to come from all markets served the tremendous opportunities in the food service sector are beginning to make a major impact on the company's sales," stated Angelo S. Morini, Galaxy's chairman and chief executive officer.

Galaxy Cheese Co. manufactures FORMAGG(R), the premier line of cheese alternatives, in over 30 varieties, made from pure skim milk protein, and canola and soybean oil. FORMAGG(R) developed in response to the public's increasing demand for more health-conscious products, contains no cholesterol, lactose or butterfat. These products are lower in calories, saturated fat, and higher in vitamins, calcium and other minerals than conventional cheese. Galaxy Cheese Co. also produces and sells two all-natural, soy-based cheese alternatives under the brand name SOYCO(TM) and SOYMAGE(TM).

GALAXY CHEESE CO.
Comparative Analysis (Unaudited)

Period ended June 30	Three Months	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$5,237,935	$4,274,139
Net income (loss)	10,114	(87,784)
Earnings (loss) per common share	$.00	$(.02)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	4,015,810	4,015,810

CONTACT: Peter J. Perfetti, chief financial officer of Galaxy Cheese Co.,

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-30- 2351
#90220p3252 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Champions Sports Inc. (NASDAQ: CSBR), a publicly-held Washington, D.C. area based sports bar and restaurant company announced today that it has agreed to the acquisition by Marriott Corporation (NYSE: MHS) of the rights to the "CHAMPIONS" trademark for use in their hotels.

The new trademark/licensing agreement will provide Champions Sports Inc. the financial means to further develop its marketing and franchising efforts nationally and internationally and allow Marriott Corporation to expand the number of CHAMPIONS sports bar/restaurants in more of their hotels nationwide.

James Martell, president and chief executive officer of Champions Sports Inc. stated: "This agreement is a win/win proposition for both companies. Since taking over as president and CEO in May of this year, I have implemented a number of changes in the company. I am confident that those changes and this new agreement will result in a profitable year to come."

"We are thrilled with this agreement which gives Champions a great expansion boost," said Michael O'Harro, the founder of the Champions concept. "Champions looks forward to a very long standing relationship with Marriott."

There are currently 15 CHAMPIONS sports bar restaurants. Ten of those are operating in Marriott hotels: Boston; Tampa, Fla.; Atlanta; Chicago (O'Hare); Baltimore (BWI); Los Angeles (LAX); Raleigh, N.C.; Portland, Ore.; Irvine, Calif.; and Springfield, Mass. The other company owned and franchised CHAMPIONS are in San Antonio, Texas; Falls Church, Va.; Tysons Corner, Va.; Richmond, Va.; and Hyannis, Mass. The original CHAMPIONS is located in Washington, D.C.

Entrepreneur magazine this year named Champions "Franchiser of the Year" in the Sports Bars and Tavern industry. Champions was also named "1988 Bar Chain of the Year" by Nation's Restaurant News. It is famous for its "Good Food, Good Times, Good Sports" theme, sports memorabilia, televised sports viewing and high energy promotions.

Champions Sports, Inc., owns, franchises and manages Champions Sports Bars and Restaurants nationwide.

CONTACT: Linda Roth of Champions Sports, Inc., 703-241-1000.

-30- 2388
#90220p3255 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Honeywell (NYSE: HON) said today it has signed a memorandum of understanding for the sale of Honeywell Federal Systems Inc. (HFSI) to Bull HN Information Systems Inc., headquartered in Billerica, Mass. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed. Honeywell said the sale continues a transition begun in 1987 to focus the company on its controls businesses.

In March 1987, Honeywell sold majority interest in its computer business to Compagnie des Machines Bull and NEC, while it retained the division of the computer company that marketed computers to the U.S. government.

Honeywell said that together with Bull HN, it is seeking all necessary approvals for the transaction, including approval by Honeywell's board of directors.

HFSI, headquartered in McLean, Va., provides systems integration, marketing, computer products and technical services to the U.S. government and prime contractors. The unit employs approximately 1,600 people. Its 1989 sales were $274 million.

Bull HN Information Systems Inc. is a provider of proprietary and open information systems, software and services. With over 17,000 employees, including 8,100 employees based in the United States, the company had revenues of $2.1 billion in 1989.

Honeywell is a global controls company that provides products, systems and services for homes and buildings, industry, and aviation and space. The company had 1989 sales of $6.1 billion.

CONTACT: Susan M. Eich of Honeywell, 612-870-6730

-30- 1706
#90220p3259 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Intellicall, Inc. today begins trading common stock on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "ICL."

Intellicall's common stock has been traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "INCL" since the company's initial public offering in September 1987. Intellicall completed a secondary offering of common stock in December 1989, and currently has 6,665,230 common shares outstanding.

"Intellicall's listing on the New York Exchange is a logical step in the ongoing growth and success of our company," said R. Stephen Polley, president and chief executive officer. "We believe that this move

further clarifies our position as a major player in the telecommunications industry."

Intellicall, Inc., founded in 1984, is a diversified telecommunications company providing innovative technology and services to private payphone networks throughout the United States. The nation's largest manufacturer of privately owned payphones and micro-automated systems, Intellicall provides communications products and services through its dealers nationwide at locations such as Los Angeles International Airport, Walt Disney World, Marriott hotels and 7-Eleven convenience stores.

CONTACT: William J. Collinsworth of Intellicall, 214-416-0022, or Rob Martin or Larry Meltzer, Meltzer & Martin Public Relations, 214-953-0808, both for Intellicall

-30- 1574

#90220p3261 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENSBURG, PA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Sulcus Computer Corp. (NASDAQ: SULC) announced today it has established an operating arm in Conshohocken, Pa., to conduct business under a new wholly owned subsidiary: Radix Systems Inc.

The new corporation is based on an assemblage of certain former key management, systems integration, marketing, and sales and support personnel of WSI Inc., the largest automator of law firms in the Delaware Valley. Radix will hire certain of these people and certain Sulcus employees initially to establish a solid presence in the Philadelphia, New York, Washington and Baltimore markets. Management plans a phased expansion of Radix into a significant regional hub for products and services for law firms along the Eastern Seaboard.

Sulcus chose the Philadelphia area because of its geographic desirability and the availability of high-tech professionals. The company anticipates eventually creating upward of 200 positions in management, research and development, product engineering, software development, customer support and service, and other high-tech areas.

Sulcus designs, develops, manufactures and sells hardware and software systems for law firms through its Sulcus Law Management Services subsidiary. Sulcus Law, along with its Data Law Division, has 12 programs approved by the American Bar Association for use by the legal profession.

Corporate headquarters are in Greensburg, Pa. Sulcus and its subsidiaries have combined branch offices in 21 cities throughout North America.

Alan Ellenbogen, president of Radix, stated, "All of us involved are excited about the future of Radix, our opportunity to be a major supplier

to law firms throughout the East, and the added ability to develop software for additional applications as we continue to grow."

CONTACT: Jeffrey S. Ratner of Sulcus Computer, 412-836-2000.

-30- 2045

#90220p3262 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENSBURG, PA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Sulcus Computer Corp. (NASDAQ: SULC) announced today it has established an operating arm in Conshohocken, Pa., to conduct business under a new wholly owned subsidiary: Radix Systems Inc.

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CONTACT: Jeffrey S. Ratner of Sulcus Computer, 412-836-2000

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#90220p3263 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways will increase its

flights out of Miami this winter with service to eight new destinations in the U.S., Central and South America and the Caribbean.

Included in the Miami buildup will be new service to Valencia, Venezuela; Managua, Nicaragua; Belize City, Belize; San Pedro Sula, Honduras; San Salvador, El Salvador; Aruba, Curacao and Newark, N.J.

Service between Miami and Europe will also increase with the addition of two weekly nonstop Miami-Frankfurt flights, bringing the total to three weekly nonstop flights between the two cities. All three flights will be operated with Boeing 747 aircraft.

Service between Miami and Los Angeles will be improved with the addition of a third daily nonstop flight between the two cities, effective Oct. 28. In addition, one daily flight will be added between Miami and Tampa, Orlando, St. Thomas, St. Croix and Montego Bay and Kingston in Jamaica. Additional frequencies will also be added on Dec. 15 between Miami and Port-Au-Prince.

"As the largest airline currently serving Miami, we are continuing to move forward with our expansion of service from a city that is so vital to Pan Am's total operation," said John M. Lindsey, senior vice president of corporate affairs for Pan Am, based in Miami. "Our increase in operations will include several new and exciting destinations that are already showing heavy advance booking levels," he added.

Effective Oct. 28, Pan Am will operate three weekly nonstop flights between Miami and Managua, Nicaragua. Flight 411 will depart Miami at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, arriving in Managua at 1:00 p.m. Northbound, flight 412 will operate on the same days, departing Managua at 2:00 p.m., arriving in Miami at 5:30 p.m.

Pan Am currently offers daily service to San Salvador from Los Angeles and will begin nonstop operations between Miami and San Salvador on Oct. 28. Flight 401 will operate Monday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, departing Miami at 11:30 a.m. and arriving in San Salvador at 1:15 p.m. Flight 400 will depart San Salvador at 2:05 p.m., with arrival scheduled for 5:30 p.m. in Miami.

Nonstop service between Miami and Belize City, Belize with a continuation on to San Pedro Sula, Honduras will also begin on Oct. 28. Flight 419 will operate on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, departing Miami at 11:30 a.m. and arriving in Belize at 12:40 p.m. The flight will depart Belize at 1:15 p.m., arriving in San Pedro Sula at 2:00 p.m. Flight 419 departs San Pedro Sula at 2:35 p.m. and arrives back in Miami at 5:35 p.m.

Another addition to the Oct. 28 schedule is the startup of nonstop service between Miami and Aruba, with a continuation on to Curacao. Flight 407

will depart Miami at 4:45 p.m. on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday and arrive in Aruba at 8:30 p.m., then continue to Curacao for a scheduled arrival of 9:40 p.m. Northbound, flight 408 will depart from Curacao on Monday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 9:00 a.m., from Aruba at 10:10 a.m. and arrive in Miami at 11:55 p.m.

Pan Am's current three times per week service to Maracaibo will extend on to include Valencia, Venezuela. Flight 409 will depart Miami at 4:45 p.m., arriving in Maracaibo at 8:40 p.m. and in Valencia at 10:20 p.m. on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday. Flight 410 will depart Valencia on Monday, Thursday and Saturday at 1:00 p.m., arrive in Maracaibo at 2:05 p.m. and is scheduled to arrive in Miami at 4:30 p.m.

Additional changes to the Miami schedule include the resumption of Miami-Newark service on Oct. 28, with two daily flights. On Dec. 15 a third daily flight will be added.

CONTACT: Elizabeth Hlinko of Pan Am, 212-880-6265

-30- 3965

#90220p3265 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Conquest Exploration Company (AMEX: CQX) today reported a net loss for the first six months of 1990 of $6,917,000, compared to net income of $1,584,000 for the first six months of 1989. The company's net loss for the second quarter of 1990 totaled $3,377,000 compared to net income of $1,211,000 in the second quarter of 1989. The company's net income for the six months and second quarter of 1989 includes an extraordinary item, the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards to reduce the company's provision for federal income taxes, of $595,000. The company's results of operations include the effect of the operations of Canadian Conquest Exploration, Inc., from April 17, 1989 the effective date of the acquisition of that company.

After giving effect to dividends on the company's preferred stock, the company reported a net loss attributable to common shares of $7,985,000, $.18 per share, in the first half of 1990 compared to income of $426,000, $.01 per share, in the first half of 1989.

Results for the first six months and second quarter of 1990 include charges to expense of $5,784,000 and $2,144,000, respectively, representing reductions, primarily due to price declines, in the carry value of certain proved oil and gas properties to expected future recoveries. Such charges totaled $2,818,000 and $811,000, respectively, in the first six months and second quarter of 1989.

Conquest Exploration Company explores for, develops and produces oil and gas. The company's exploration operations are concentrated in the

onshore and offshore areas of the Gulf Coast and certain international areas. The company's principal producing properties are located in Louisiana, Mississippi, Montana, North Dakota, Texas, Utah and Wyoming. The company also conducts exploration and production operations in Canada through its subsidiary, Canadian Conquest Exploration, Inc. Conquest is headquartered in Houston. The company's common stock and debentures are listed on the American Stock Exchange and trade under the symbols CQX and CQX.A, respectively.

CONTACT: Sharleen L. Walkoviak of Conquest Exploration, 713-440-2000

-30- 2387

#90220p3269 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Oceaneering International, Inc. (NASDAQ: OCER) today announced financial results for the first quarter of its 1991 fiscal year which ended June 30, 1990.

On revenues of $34,267,000, Oceaneering reported net income of $4,739,000, or $0.21 per common share. These figures compare favorably with net income of $2,285,000, or $0.11 per common share, on revenues of $54,640,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. "This has been a record quarter, with the highest earnings in Oceaneering's 26-year history," stated John R. Huff, president and chief executive officer.

OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL, INC.
(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

Quarter ended June 30:	1990	1989
Revenues	$34,267	$54,640
Net income	4,739	2,285
Net income per common share	$0.21	$0.11
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	22,647	21,459

Oceaneering, together with its affiliate companies, is one of the world's largest underwater services companies. Oceaneering supplies a comprehensive range of integrated technical services to a wide array of industries. Principal services are directed to the offshore oil and gas industry and include drilling support; subsea construction; production systems; facilities maintenance and repair; survey and positioning; engineering; and specialized inspection, both offshore and onshore.

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DALLAS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwest Airlines Co. (NYSE: LUV) flew

922.2 million revenue passenger miles (RPMs) in July 1990, a 7.5 percent increase over the 857.5 million RPMs flown in July of last year. Available seat miles (ASMs) increased 12.4 percent to 1,437.1 million from the July 1989 level of 1,278.9 million. The load factor for the month was 64.2 percent, down 2.9 points from last year's load factor of 67.1 percent.

For the first seven months of 1990, Southwest flew 5,806.0 million RPMs, compared with 5,473.4 million RPMs recorded for the same period in 1989, an increase of 6.1 percent. Available seat miles increased 11.4 percent to 9,398.7 million from the 1989 year-to-date level of 8,436.2 million. The 1990 year-to-date load factor was 61.8 percent, compared to 64.9 percent for the same period last year, a decrease of 3.1 points.

Herbert D. Kelleher, chairman of the board and CEO stated: "We were disappointed with the traffic results posted for the first week of July but very encouraged with the traffic results for the balance of the month. The Fourth of July holiday fell on Wednesday this year and depressed our business traffic and revenue yields, as a result. However, the results for July excluding the first week compare very favorably with July 1989's results. Further, the increase in passenger counts was a brisk 13.8 percent, resulting in a drop in the passenger trip length of 5.5 percent. Our traffic growth continues to be generated from our short-haul markets, consistent with our second quarter 1990 results."

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WICHITA, KS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Midwest Inc. (NASDAQ: AMWI) reported that it carried 70,862 passengers during July of 1990, a decrease of 17.9 percent over the 86,282 passengers boarded in the like period last year. Revenue passenger miles were down 6 percent to 16,080,820 and available seat miles decreased from 41,003,990 to 39,003,246 in the like reporting period, a decrease of 4.9 percent. The load factor for July, 41.2 percent, is a decrease of .5 percentage points from last year.

AIR MIDWEST INC.

	Month Ended July 31,		
	1990	1989	Percent Change
Passengers	70,862	86,282	-17.9
Available seat miles	39,003,246	41,003,990	-4.9
Revenue passenger miles	16,080,820	17,112,319	-6.0

Load factor	41.2pct.	41.7pct.	-.5pts.

Seven Months Ended
July 31,

	1990	1989	Percent Change
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Available seat miles	246,130,153	256,729,899	-4.1
Revenue passenger miles	101,459,335	108,910,769	-6.8
Load factor	41.2pct.	42.4pct.	-1.2pts.

CONTACT: Robert L. Priddy of Air Midwest Inc., 316-942-8137

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#90220p3275 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

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CONTACT: Robert L. Priddy of Air Midwest Inc., 316-942-8137.

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#90220p3276 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MI (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dutch College for the Assessment of Drugs and The Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) in the Netherlands today announced the reregistration of the company's product Halcion 0.25 and 0.125 tablets at a news conference held in Holland.

"Upjohn is very pleased that Halcion is now available in the Netherlands as an option for the short-term treatment of insomnia," said Geoffrey Rodgers, corporate vice president for Europe, Africa & Middle East Pharmaceutical Operations. "The registration emphasizes the Dutch College's confidence in the safety and efficacy of the product and paves the way for patients to receive the world's most prescribed sleeping medication, when deemed appropriate therapy.

"The reintroduction of the product in the Netherlands is particularly satisfying to Upjohn, because the company has resolved this unique regulatory issue."

Reregistration was necessary after the Dutch Registration College canceled the original product license for Halcion in 1980. This action came after an initial six-month withdrawal of the registration in 1979 in which the Registration College asked Upjohn to include in its labeling a list of possible and unusual side effects. Upjohn refused, as the side effects were unsubstantiated in the world medical literature, in extensive clinical tests and in worldwide experience with the product.

In 1980, an appeal was filed by Upjohn with the Dutch Council of State. The council recommended to the country's ruling body, the Crown, to cancel the earlier decision by the Registration College. In 1985, the Crown did cancel the Registration College's earlier decision, stating that the college acted without adequate review of available data. The Dutch Council of State suggested at the time of the decision that Upjohn apply for a new product license for Halcion through the Registration College. Today's registration is the result of Upjohn's reapplication and negotiations with the Dutch College.

The Netherlands is the only country where the product registration has been withdrawn since Halcion's worldwide introduction in 1979.

The Upjohn Company is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care products and services, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

CONTACT: Nancy H. Lassen of The Upjohn Company, 616-323-6902

-30- 2695

#90220p3278 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir today reported a 4.3 percent increase in revenue passenger miles flown in scheduled service during July compared with the same month of 1989.

Available seat miles rose 9.1 percent, while passenger boardings were down 3.8 percent from the same month a year earlier. July load factor was 62 percent compared with 64.8 percent for July 1989.

During the first seven months of 1990, USAir posted a gain of 4.6 percent in revenue passenger miles versus the same period of 1989, a gain of 7.1 percent in available seat miles flown, and a drop of 2.2 percent in passenger boardings. Year-to-date load factor was 59.8 percent compared with 61.2 percent for the same period of 1989.

Statistics for 1989 periods prior to USAir's merger with Piedmont Airlines on Aug. 5, 1989, have been restated to reflect the combined airline operations of both carriers on a pro forma basis.

	July		Percent	Year to Date		Percent
	1990	1989	Change	1990	1989	Change
Passengers Enplaned	5,187,837	5,395,546	(3.8)	35,085,756	35,873,175	(2.2)
RPMs (000)	3,200,231	3,067,064	4.3	20,532,109	19,627,611	4.6
ASMs (000)	5,159,170	4,729,697	9.1	34,334,799	32,069,733	7.1
Passenger Load Factor (percent)	62.0	64.8	(2.8)pts	59.8	61.2	(1.4)pts
Avg. Passenger Journey (miles)	616.9	568.4	8.5	585.2	54.Z	7.0

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, (703) 418-5100 or (213) 417-1294 (Western Region).

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#90220p3280 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - LaBarge, Inc. (AMEX: LB) today announced results for its fiscal year ended July 1, 1990.

Net sales for fiscal 1990 were $70,460,000 compared to $69,140,000 recorded for the year ended July 2, 1989.

Earnings from operations for the 12 months were $5,738,000 up 30 percent from $4,383,000 recorded for fiscal 1989.

Net earnings for the fiscal year were $1,609,600 compared to net earnings of $2,707,000 recorded for fiscal 1989. Net earnings for fiscal 1989 included two one-time gains from previously divested businesses which totaled $609,000. No such gains occurred during fiscal 1990. Further, net earnings for fiscal 1990 were impacted by the higher interest costs resulting from the recapitalization which was completed in August 1989.

After giving effect to preferred stock dividends, which were significantly lower in fiscal 1990 as a result of the recapitalization completed during the first fiscal quarter, earnings per common share for the fiscal year were 6 cents. This compares to earnings of 8 cents per common share reported for the 12 months of fiscal 1989. Earnings per common share for fiscal 1989 were enhanced by more than 4 cents per share as a result of the one-time gains recorded during that period.

LABARGE, INC.

	Three months		Year	
	7/1/90	7/2/89	7/1/90	7/2/89
Net sales	$17,461,065	$18,269,320	$70,460,384	$69,139,596
Earnings from operations	1,427,838	1,342,111	5,738,284	4,382,807
Earns. from cont. opers. before income taxes & extraord. item	429,821	482,216	1,642,611	2,329,299
Provision for income taxes	191,200	225,800	603,500	853,800
Earns. from cont. opers. bef. extraord. item	238,621	256,416	1,039,111	1,475,499
Discont. opers.: Royalty income, net	--	--	--	285,649
Net earns. bef. extraord. item	238,621	256,416	1,039,111	1,761,148
Extraordinary item: Tax effect of net operating loss carryforwards	158,200	170,800	570,500	946,000
Net earnings	396,821	427,216	1,609,611	2,707,148
Less: preferred stock dividends	50,000	260,308	278,240	982,808
Preferred stock discount accretion	148,354	120,096	500,206	652,346

Net earnings available to common stock-holders	198,467	46,812	831,165	1,071,994

CONTACT: Colleen P. Clements of LaBarge, 314-231-5960

-30- 2830

#90220p3285 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Norwest Bank Minnesota has combined the marketing functions for corporate banking and has promoted J. Scott Slater to the new position of vice president and director of corporate bank marketing. He was director of marketing for the bank's capital management and trust group.

In his new post, Slater has marketing responsibility for the bank's relationship management, international, cash management, commercial insurance and capital management and trust business. He also will coordinate research, sales programs and sales and product training for corporate banking.

James R. Campbell, president of Norwest Bank Minnesota and head of corporate banking for Norwest, said, "Each of these business areas of the bank has grown to the point where a coordinated approach to marketing for all corporate bank functions is needed to help ensure continued growth and to make certain our marketing efforts are consistent with our strategic goals."

Norwest corporate banking serves the banking needs of domestic and international mid-sized and large businesses, and other banks and other financial institutions.

Slater joined Norwest in October 1987 from General Mills, where he had worked in product management for three years. Prior to receiving an MBA degree from the University of Chicago in 1984, he was at Citibank in New York City for two years, most recently as a unit manager in its international financial institutions group.

Slater, who grew up in Bronxville, N.Y., is a graduate of Phillips Exeter Academy (1976) and has a B.A. degree in English from Dartmouth College (1980).

He is vice president and treasurer of the Dartmouth Alumni Association of the Northwest and serves on the board of directors of the Hennepin County Historical Society.

He and his wife, the former Karen Gerster of Anoka (Minn.), reside in

Minneapolis.

Norwest Bank Minnesota is the largest banking affiliate of Norwest Corporation (NYSE: NOB), a $26.8 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking-related and specialized financial services through more than 1,290 offices in 47 states and internationally.

CONTACT: Jack Kerr of Norwest Corporation, 612-667-0148

-30- 2450

#90220p3286 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, NJ (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - S2 Golf Inc. (NASDAQ: GOLF) (doing business as Square Two Golf), a manufacturer of a complete line of men's and women's golf clubs, today announced record sales and earnings for the quarter and for the first six months which ended June 30, 1990. Square Two Golf is the officially endorsed club of the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA).

Shipments for the second quarter rose to $2,762,803 from $1,829,946 for the second quarter of 1989. Shipments for the first half rose to $4,560,901 from $2,793,743 in the first half of 1989.

For the second quarter, the company posted a net profit before taxes of $468,168, with an after tax profit of $334,163 or $.042 per share as compared with a pre-tax profit of $427,767 and after-tax profits of $272,415 or $.035 per share for the second quarter of 1989. For the first half, pre-tax profits were $595,852 with net after taxes of $433,186 or $.054 per share. This compares with a net profit before taxes of $494,181 share with after-tax profits of $331,961 or $.042 per share in the first half of 1989.

L. R. Jeffrey, president attributed the improved sales results to continuing high levels of consumer acceptance of the company's products, a higher percentage of shipments of graphite clubs and to an increased number of dealers. Jeffrey stated "While the April-June period is usually the best quarter for the entire golf equipment industry, we did somewhat better than we had anticipated. Shipments were up almost 65 percent over those of the first half of 1989. At the present time, we believe that the 1991 golf season should be reasonably good. We are bringing out several new lines of clubs which should strengthen our dealer organization as well as providing a greater choice of clubs for the consumer. We also plan to bring out a line of quality golf bags for the Christmas season, We are continuing to add new dealers and expect to be in an excellent position for the 1991 golf season."

The company's common stock is listed daily in the Additional NASDAQ Quotes list (additional list) which is carried in the Wall Street Journal,

Investors Daily and The New York Times.

S2 GOLF INC.

Periods ended:	Three months		Six months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$2,762,803	$1,829,946	$4,560,901	$2,793,743
Income before taxes	468,168	427,767	595,852	494,181
Income taxes	134,005	155,352	162,666	162,220
Net after taxes	334,163	272,415	433,186	331,961
Earnings per share	$.042	$.035	$.054	$.042
No. of shares outstanding (weighted average)	8,021,487	7,885,820	8,021,487	7,885,820

CONTACT: L. R. Jeffrey of S2 Golf, 201-227-7783.

-30- 3048

#90220p3287 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Columbia Gas System Inc. (NYSE: CG) today reported a loss of $4.6 million, or $.10 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, compared to net income of $3.6 million, or $.08 per share, for the same period in 1989.

For the first six months, net income was $43 million, or $.92 per share, compared to net income of $80.3 million, or $1.77 per share, in the first half of 1989.

Columbia Gas Chairman John Croom said second quarter results are generally nominal because of the seasonal nature of the natural gas business. He added that second quarter earnings would have been substantially unchanged from last year's earnings except for a change in the method used to allocate annual contract reformation costs among the quarters.

For the second quarter, net income from transmission operations was $4 million, a decrease of $1.9 million from 1989 primarily because the change in allocating contract reformation costs more than offset the beneficial effect of an improved rate design. A $6.8 million loss in distribution operations was greater than the loss in the prior period because increased operating expenses continue to outpace authorized rate increases. Oil and gas operations had net income of $300,000, a decrease of $3.2 million from the previous year. A higher depletion rate and an increase in operations and maintenance costs contributed to the decline in oil and gas earnings.

Croom said warm weather was the principal factor in the earnings decline in the first six months. Temperatures in Columbia's operating territory in 1990 were 14 percent warmer than in the first six months of 1989 and both years were significantly warmer than normal.

CONTACT: W.R. McLaughlin of Columbia Gas, 302-429-5443

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#90220p3289 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - THORN EMI plc announces today in London an agreement to acquire the whole of the issued share capital of the independent U.K. music publishing company, Filmtrax plc, and its U.S. subsidiary, Filmtrax Copyright Holdings Inc. The announcement was made by Jim Fifield, president and chief executive officer, EMI Music Worldwide; Charles Koppelman, chairman and chief executive officer, EMI Music Publishing; and Martin Bandier, vice chairman, EMI Music Publishing.

The total consideration to be paid by THORN EMI after completion, when all necessary adjustments to the purchase price have been agreed or determined will be up to $115 million (which includes the assumption of borrowings), but is dependent on the outcome of a due diligence examination of Filmtrax' catalogs and accounts.

The acquisition, which covers over 90,000 titles, brings EMI Music Publishing's total portfolio to over 600,000 titles, adding further variety to its music publishing catalog.

Commenting on the acquisition, Fifield said, "We are very pleased to be entering into this agreement with Filmtrax, which features an extensive array of music ranging from TV and film to truly classic compositions. This acquisition adds to our already worldclass music publishing company and enhances our position in the global marketplace."

Said Koppelman, "The addition of the Filmtrax group of companies and songs will enhance our ability to excel in a marketplace with ever-increasing demands for music in all areas of the media. We are also pleased with the continuing association with Columbia Pictures Entertainment and look forward to handling the music from their upcoming projects."

John Hall, chief executive of Filmtrax, said, "In six years Filmtrax has grown to be a major international company. As a leading independent music publisher, it has occupied a unique place in the British music industry. I am pleased that, in this agreement with THORN EMI, we have the opportunity to join forces with one of the leaders in the global music business to achieve huge success in the 90s and beyond."

CONTACT: Sue Satriano of Capital-EMI Music Inc., 213-871-5131

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#90220p3292 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, NY (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Dreyfus Pennsylvania Municipal Money Market Fund, a no-loaded fund designed to enable Pennsylvania residents to earn double tax-free income while preserving capital and maintaining liquidity, has just been introduced by The Dreyfus Corporation.

The new fund will invest in municipal obligations of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The interest from such investments is exempt from Federal and Pennsylvania income taxes.

Dreyfus said that, to provide shareholders with an extraordinary high yield, it has agreed to waive its management fee and absorb all fund expenses until the fund's assets reach $50 million of Jan. 1, 1991, whichever comes first, at which time further extension will be considered.

Minimum investment in the fund is $2,500, or $1,000 if shares are purchased through a broker/dealer. There is no charge to invest, reinvest or redeem shares and dividends are declared daily. Investors may also issue unlimited checks in amounts of $500 or more and exchange their shares for those of other Dreyfus no-load funds at any time, without charge.

Designed to maintain a fixed price of $1.00 per share, Dreyfus Pennsylvania Municipal Money Market Fund is managed by The Dreyfus Corporation, which currently manages of administers approximately $58 billion in assets for more than 1.7 million investor accounts nationwide. Investors who are interested should obtain a prospectus containing more information and read it carefully before they invest.

CONTACT: Jack Bernstein Associates Inc., (212) 397-0660 for Dreyfus.

-30- 1775

#90220p3297 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTLAKE, OH (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Nordson Corporation (NASDAQ: NDSN) announced today that its board of directors has declared a fourth quarter 1990 dividend in the amount of $0.18 per common share, payable on Sept. 28 1990 to shareholders of record on Aug. 31, 1990.

This amount equals the $0.18 per common share cash dividend paid in each of the first three quarters of fiscal 1990, which began on Oct. 30, 1990.

Nordson Corporation is a manufacturer of industrial equipment and systems used to apply materials including liquid and powder coatings, thermoplastic adhesives and sealants. Nordson application systems work hand in hand with advanced-technology materials developed by manufacturers throughout the world.

CONTACT: E.P. Campbell of Nordson Corporation, 216-892-1580.

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#90220p3298 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Andal Corp. (AMEX: ADL) today reported a net loss of $1,652,000 or 25 cents per share for its 1990 fiscal third quarter which ended June 30, 1990, compared with net income of $101,000, or $.02 per share, in the comparable quarter ended June 30, 1989. Revenues were $16,459,000 in the current quarter compared with $31,194,000 last year. The decline in revenues in the current quarter compared to last year resulted from the divestiture in July 1989 of 75 percent of Andal's ownership in its business of trading and distributing flat rolled steel and tin mill products. After elimination of the divested business, pro forma revenues and the net loss would have been $13,690,000 and $29,000, respectively, for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, Andal reported a net loss of $2,425,000, or $.37 per share, from revenues of $48,645,000, compared with net income of $189,000, or $.03 per share, from revenues of $86,811,000 in the nine months ended June 30, 1989. After elimination of the divested business, pro forma revenues and net income for the prior year nine-month period would have been $41,285,000 and $197,000, or $.03 per share, respectively.

Andal, through its Multi-Arc Scientific Coatings division, is engaged in surface enhancement as a leading provider of thin-film metal coating services and systems. Andal also operates Salem Tube, Inc., which is in the business of manufacturing stainless steel, high nickel alloy and superalloy seamless and welded tubing.

Andal's nine month operating performance declined from the prior year primarily because of reduced operating profits from Salem Tube, Inc. caused principally by competitive pressures on selling prices. In addition the Multi-Arc division experienced reduced operating profits from its coating services business largely attributable to softness in the automobile industry and the effects of strikes at customers' facilities.

Andal owns a 21 percent interest in Steve's Homemade Ice Cream, Inc., a seller, franchisor and distributor of premium and super-premium ice cream and frozen yogurt.

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-30- 2390
#90220p3300 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
CARTHAGE, MO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Leggett & Platt Inc. (NYSE: LEG) today declared a 21 cent per share third quarter cash dividend on the company's common stock. Shareholders of record on

Aug. 24, 1990 will be paid the new dividend on Sept. 14, 1990. Dividends for the first two quarters of 1990 were also paid at the same 21 cents per share rate, which is 11 percent above the previous rate of 19 cents per share for the third and fourth quarters of 1989.

Headquartered in Carthage, Leggett & Platt is a Fortune 500 company that specializes in manufacturing and marketing a broad line of components used by companies making furniture and bedding for homes, offices and institutions. Other home furnishings products include select lines of finished furniture and carpet cushioning materials. A variety of diversified products are also produced and sold in several different markets unrelated to the home furnishings industry. Leggett & Platt's common stock is listed on The New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

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-30- 1305

#90220p3302 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CONSHOHOCKEN, PA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Apparel Business Systems Inc. (ABS) has joined forces with another Conshohocken-based firm, Integrated Productivity Systems Inc. (IPSi) to offer its customers complete bar code printing, scanning and integration services.

IPSi is the leader of a group of associated bar code systems integration companies located throughout the United States that provide local systems expertise and installation support. As a result, ABS customers can now benefit from dealing with a local bar code systems integrator and support service that knows the integration requirements of the ABS system.

In addition, all of the bar code systems integration companies in the IPSi group have experts working with apparel and shoe companies. Their user lists include such high-profile firms as Ellen Tracy, West Point Pepperell and Farah.

"This relationship with IPSi and its associated companies is the best solution for our customers who need bar code systems that integrate smoothly with their ABS systems," said ABS President Bob Shallow. "IPSi has the knowledge and expertise to link up any kind of bar code system to ABS systems no matter what the platform: S/36; S/38; AS/400; PS/2; or RISC/6000.

Apparel Business Systems is the leading developer of specialized computer software for the apparel and leather goods industries. Based in Conshohocken in suburban Philadelphia, the company serves more than 600 customers worldwide with systems and services oriented to IBM equipment, specifically the IBM AS/400 and the new IBM PS/2 and RISC/6000.

ABS is also an IBM Industry Remarketer, selling IBM software and hardware in addition to its own products, as well as providing support and services for all the products it sells.

IPSi is a Safeguard Scientifics Inc. (formerly Safeguard Business Systems) Partner Co. that develops and implements applications utilizing bar code technology as a leading supplier of complete data entry, tracking, time recording and verification systems for business. As a system integrator, IPSi has developed solutions for distribution centers, manufacturing shop floor control, and data centers.

AS/400, PS/2 and RISC/6000 are trademarks of IBM.

CONTACT: John Shiffert of Shaeffer & Associates, 215-546-1660, for Apparel Business Systems.

-30- 2505

#90220p3303 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesaba Aviation, Inc., today reported that it flew 20.6 million revenue passenger miles during the month of July, a 24 percent increase over 16.6 million revenue passenger miles flown during the same month last year (one revenue passenger flown one mile equals one revenue passenger mile). The airline said it carried 96,700 passengers in July, an increase of 24.2 percent over 77,868 passengers carried last July. Mesaba's load factor during the month was 57.8 percent, compared to 60.5 percent last year.

Robert D. Swenson, president and chairman of Mesaba, said that July's passenger figures were an all-time record for the regional airline, which has added considerable capacity to its Detroit and Twin Cities hubs over the past year.

Mesaba operates as Northwest Airlink under an airline marketing agreement with Northwest Airlines at the Minneapolis/St. Paul, Detroit and Milwaukee airports. The regional carrier currently provides scheduled airline service to 35 airports in the 10 states of Illinois, Iowa, Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

Mesaba Aviation, Inc., is the wholly owned subsidiary of AirTran Corporation. AirTran's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ATCC.

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#90220p3304 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAIFA, ISRAEL (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Elscint Ltd. (NYSE: ELT) today announced its unaudited consolidated results of operations for the second fiscal quarter and the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

Consolidated revenues for the second quarter totalled $38.8 million, as compared with $35.5 million in the corresponding quarter of the preceding year. Revenues for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, totalled $74.4 million, as compared with $71 million for the same period in 1989.

Net income for the second quarter of 1990 totalled $2.8 million, or $0.04 per share, as compared with $0.1 million, or zero cents per share, for the corresponding quarter of 1989. For the six-month period, the company recorded net income of $5.1 million, or $0.07 per share, as compared to a net loss of $0.5 million, or a loss of $0.01 per share, for the first half of 1989.

Gross margin for the second quarter of 1990 was 42.4 percent of revenues, as compared with 41.8 percent for the second quarter of 1989. Gross margin for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, was 44.1 percent, as compared with 40.9 percent for the corresponding six months of the preceding year.

Operating profit continues to improve and totalled $3.6 million for the quarter, as compared with $2.5 million for the same period of 1989. For the first half of 1990, operating profit was $6.8 million, as compared with $4.1 million for the same period of the prior year.

These results manifest the contributions of three major factors: continuing strong demand for nuclear medicine systems, growing MRI sales, and temporary softness in CT sales. The APEX SP family of Nuclear Medicine Gamma Cameras and Data Processors continues to be well received. Demand is particularly strong for the APEX SP-6 rectangular head camera with capacity booked into the first quarter of 1991. The "APEXVIEW" Advanced Nuclear Medicine Remote Viewing and Image Processing station was shown at two major trade shows and elicited favorable responses.

Elscint designs, manufactures, distributes and services medical diagnostic imaging equipment for selected international markets.

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DANBURY, CONN. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The licensing of the UNICARB System technology to Nordson Corporation was announced today by Union Carbide

Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc. (UCC&P).

Under the UCC&P license, Nordson will develop, manufacture and market specially designed UNICARB System spray coating equipment.

The UNICARB System technology, a major advance in reducing VOC emissions, was designed to allow coating applicators to economically meet the environmental regulations proposed for the Clean Air Act amendments. Tom White, business manager for the UNICARB System, said: "coating operations that utilize the UNICARB System technology will be able to meet the Clean Air regulations at a cost significantly less than those using competing coating technology such as waterborne, or powder coatings and abatement systems like carbon adsorption or incineration."

Nordson Corporation, headquartered in Westlake, Ohio, has served the finishing industry for over 35 years with innovative, high-quality equipment and systems for applying protective and decorative coatings to wood, metal and plastic products. Nordson's strength has been its creativity and expertise in the design and manufacture of advanced-technology spray equipment. The UNICARB System is a continuation of Nordson's commitment to be a technology leader.

The UNICARB equipment developed by Nordson includes delivery systems and specially designed electrostatic and non-electrostatic spray guns. Unlike other VOC abatement systems that generate carbon dioxide, the UNICARB System uses recycled carbon dioxide that has been generated in other industrial processes, thereby not contributing to the greenhouse effect.

"We see UNICARB as a major breakthrough in spray coating technology," says Bob Lindrud, general manager of Nordson's Liquid Business Group. "With the new Clean Air Act amendments, we anticipate the UNICARB System supplier, we will work with coating applicators to retrofit our new UNICARB equipment in their existing coating operations."

Nordson joins UNICARB System licensees who will supply equipment and coatings to the automotive, wood and metal furniture, heavy equipment, appliances, aerospace, and truck and bus markets.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Kirby Corporation (AMEX: KEX) formerly Kirby Exploration Company, Inc., announced today that it has resumed the purchase of stock under its common stock repurchase program. In May 1988, the board of directors of Kirby authorized the purchase on the American Stock Exchange and in privately negotiated transactions of up to two

million shares of Kirby's common stock. Kirby has previously purchased approximately 1,310,000 shares under this program. Any additional purchases will be subject to price, trading volume and other market considerations. Shares repurchased may be used for reissuance on the exercise of stock options, on the conversion of outstanding debentures or in future acquisitions for stock.

Kirby is engaged in marine transportation, diesel repair and property and casualty insurance.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways today reported that last month's traffic was the highest ever recorded by the company in the month of July, with revenue passenger miles increasing 5.5 percent from 3.128 billion revenue passenger miles to 3.301 billion, the highest July traffic ever recorded by the company.

Available seat miles were up 3.6 percent, from 4.220 billion to 4.370 billion, and load factor improved 1.4 points from 74.1 percent to 75.5 percent.

Traffic statistics include Pan American World Airways' operations only, and do not include the Pan Am Shuttle or Pan Am Express flights.

Atlantic RPMs were up 6.5 percent compared with the same month a year ago, ASMs were up 2.8 percent, and load factor improved 2.8 points, from 76.1 percent to 78.9 percent.

In Latin America, RPMs were up 10.0 percent, ASMs were up 7.9 percent, and load factor improved 1.4 points from 71.8 percent to 73.2 percent.

In U.S. domestic markets, RPMs were down 1.1 percent, ASMs were up 2.0 percent and load factor was down 2.2 points from 70.6 percent to 68.4 percent.

Scheduled freight ton miles were up 0.3 percent, from 63.2 million to 63.4 million.

Year To Date. For the first seven months of the year, scheduled traffic was up 10.5 percent, from 16.314 million RPMs to 18.021 million. Capacity was up 6.9 percent from 25.943 billion ASMs to 27.722 billion. Load factor increased 2.1 points, from 62.9 percent to 65.0 percent.

Scheduled freight ton miles were unchanged at 435.3 million.

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OAK BROOK, IL (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Chemical Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: CHW) today announced that James T. Banks has been appointed vice president and general counsel of the company.

He has been associated with Waste Management, Inc. since March 1985, serving as director of government affairs in Washington. Prior to joining Waste Management, Banks was senior staff attorney for the Natural Resources Defense Council, and also served as director of the Council's Clean Water Project.

Banks holds a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from the University of Kansas and a juris doctor degree from the University of Michigan. He has served as a past vice chair of the American Bar Association's Water Quality Committee, Natural Resources Law Section and is a member of the District of Columbia bar.

He will be located at the Chemical Waste Management headquarters in Oak Brook and, with his wife, Alison Martyn, and their children, will be relocating to the Oak Brook area in the near future.

Chemical Waste Management is the nation's largest environmental services company specializing in the recovery, treatment and disposal of hazardous wastes and the cleanup of properties contaminated by such wastes, and is a 77 percent-owned subsidiary of Waste Management, Inc.

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GAITHERSBURG, MD (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Optelecom, Inc. (NASDAQ: OPTC) today released the following earnings information for the quarter ended June 30, 1990:

	Three Months Ended June 30, 1990	Three Months Ended June 30, 1989	Three Months Ended March 31, 1990
Revenue	$996,207	$1,291,331	$1,017,869
Net Income	$ 1,587	$ 62,987	$ (71,652)
Earnings Per Share	$ .001	$ .02	$ (.02)
	Six Months Ended	Six Months Ended	

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Revenue	$2,014,076	$2,729,336
Net Income	$ (70,065)	$ 102,400
Earnings Per Share	$ (.02)	$ .03

Recently announced defense contracts for optical communication links used to control unmanned aircraft significantly increased the company's net income compared to the first quarter of 1990. The use of unmanned remotely controlled aircraft has the significant advantage of saving pilots' lives and preventing hostage situations during limited third world conflicts.

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HYANNIS, MA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Fibronics International Inc. (NASDAQ: FBRX) today announced second quarter operating results (April-June 1990).

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $14,748,000, as compared with revenues of $11,102,000 for the same period in 1989, a 33 percent increase. The net income for this period was $922,000 or 14 cents per share, as compared with net income of $230,000 or 4 cents per share for the equivalent period in 1989. This represents a 300 percent increase in earnings.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $29,425,000, as compared with revenues of $22,2 24,000 for the same period in 1989 (a 32 percent increase). The net income for six months was $1,770,000 or 27 cents per share, as compared with net income of $939,000 or 15 cents per share for the equivalent period in 1989, an 88 percent improvement.

Fibronics International Inc. designs, manufactures, sells, installs, and services fiberoptic and other high-bandwidth information transfer and distribution systems. Fibronics provides total systems capability for integrated, on-premises networks.

FIBRONICS INTERNATIONAL INC.
Financial Summary
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net revenues	$14,748	$11,102	$29,425	$22,224
Earnings before income taxes and extraordinary credit	$1,066	$227	$2,021	$989

Provision for income taxes	$406	$35	$803	$300
Earnings before extraordinary credit	$660	$192	$1,218	$689
Extraordinary credit - Utilization of net operating loss carryforward	$262	$38	$552	$250
Net earnings	$922	$230	$1,770	$939
Per share of common stock:				
Earnings before extraordinary credit	10 cents	3 cents	19 cents	11 cents
Extraordinary credit	4 cents	1 cent	8 cents	4 cents
Earnings per share	14 cents	4 cents	27 cents	15 cents
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	6,559,727	6,410,853	6,505,607	6,289,914

CONTACT: John L. Hale, president and chief executive officer, or John T. Hislop, chief financial officer, of Fibronics International Inc., 508-778-0700.

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EL PASO, TX (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Property Trust of America (NYSE: PTR) reported today that total revenues and net earnings for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $3,159,000 and $506,000, or $0.10 per share, respectively. In the same period of the prior year total revenues were $2,626,000, while net earnings were $665,000, or $0.13 per share.

Total revenues and net earnings for the six months ended June 30, 1990 were $5,952,000 and $994,000, or $0.20 per share, respectively. Total revenues for the first six months of the prior year were $5,429,000, while net earnings were $1,397,000, or $0.28 per share.

The trust's cash flow from operations available for distribution to shareholders for the three months ended June 30, 1990 was $999,000, or $0.20 per share. For the prior quarter ended March 31, 1990 cash flow from operations was $905,000, or $0.18 per share. For the three months ended June 30 of the prior year cash flow from operations was $985,000, or $0.19 per share.

The trust's cash flow from operations available for distribution for the six month period ended June 30, 1990 was $1,904,000, or $0.38 per share, compared with $2,230,000, or $0.44 per share, in the year earlier period.

The board of trustees of the Trust have declared a $.21 per share quarterly distribution payable September 7 to shareholders of record August 24.

Commenting on the six months performance, James H. Polk III, president and chief executive officer, noted that conditions for new investment opportunities are improving, particularly in the apartment area. Construction of the Trust's new 180-unit apartment complex in El Paso is almost complete and is 72 percent occupied and 98 percent leased. The trust's Las Cruces, New Mexico 160-unit project is also 98 percent leased and occupied and the trust has optioned the adjacent five acres for a potential 135-unit second phase.

Property Trust of America is an El Paso based equity real estate investment trust with properties located in the states of Texas, New Mexico, Colorado and California.

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INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Inland Container Corporation, a Temple-Inland Inc. subsidiary, announced today that it has reached agreements in principle to acquire Crockett Container Corporation, based in Santa Fe Springs, Calif., and Pakway Container Corporation, based in Indianapolis.

Inland also announced plans for an upgrade and expansion of its Ontario, Calif. recycle linerboard mill.

With the addition of Crockett and Pakway, the number of Inland corrugated box plants will increase to 40. The additional box plants will increase Inland's containerboard consumption by about 150,000 tons annually. Sales of the two companies in their last fiscal years totaled approximately $115 million.

The expansion of the Ontario mill, which began production in 1985, will increase production by about 200 daily tons to 800 tons per day. The mill expansion will provide new technology and additional state-of- the-art equipment which will result in the production of the premier recycle sheet in the industry. A new boiler is also being added which will supplement the steam produced by the existing cogeneration plant.

Ben J. Lancashire, Inland's chairman, president and chief executive officer, said, "The addition of Crockett Container and Pakway Container to Inland is exciting for our company. Crockett strengthens Inland's presence in the expanding California market. Pakway gives us a manufacturing facility in Indianapolis, our headquarters' city, and its operations will complement Inland's facilities in the Midwest.

We are also pleased that Randy Crockett, founder and owner of Crockett Container, Lee Bekiarian, vice president and general manager of Crockett, and Ken Matthews and Lloyd Baldwin, Pakway's owners, will continue in their respective management positions after the change of ownership. Both Crockett and Pakway will operate as wholly owned subsidiaries of Inland."

Crockett Container operates corrugator plants in Santa Fe Springs, Buena Park and El Centro, a sheet plant in Santa Fe Springs, and a distribution center in National City, all in California.

Pakway operates a corrugator plant, warehouse and polystyrene foam plant in Indianapolis, a corrugated sheet plant in Knoxville, Tenn., and a sheet plant and warehouse in Miamisburg, Ohio.

These two acquisitions are subject to execution of definitive agreements. Final determination of the mill upgrade and expansion cost has not been made. However, it is anticipated the total cost of these three programs will approximate $100 million.

Inland Container Corporation is an Indianapolis-based manufacturer of containerboard and corrugated containers. The company currently operates six containerboard mills and 33 box plants throughout the United States. Sales in 1989 exceeded $1.1 billion.

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WILSON, NC (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Commercial Corporation (NYSE: STW) today reported that sales for its first quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $193.1 million compared to $197.4 million for the same quarter of 1989, a decrease of 2.2 percent. For the 1990 quarter, the Company had income from operations of $1.5 million versus an operating loss of $1.6 million in 1989. Income before extraordinary items for the 1990 quarter amounted to $60,000 or $0.01 per share compared to a loss of $786,000 of $0.10 per share in 1989. There were benefits of tax loss carryforwards in 1990 of $99,000 and in 1989 of $18,000. Net income of $159,000 or $0.02 per share was posted for the June 1990 quarter in comparison with a loss of $768,000 or $0.09 per share in the comparable 1989 quarter.

Tobacco sales were up 18.8 percent from $87.7 million in 1989 to $104.2 million in 1990 and represented 54 percent of total sales for the 1990 quarter versus 44 percent in 1989. Wool sales of $86.1 million for the 1990 quarter, including $6.2 million by a company acquired as of April 1, 1990, were 19.2 percent lower than the $106.6 million for the comparable 1989 period, and represented 44 percent of total sales in the current quarter compared to 54 percent a year earlier. Increased deliveries of

oriental tobacco and higher prices were the principal reasons for the increase in tobacco sales. Lower wool prices in 1990 compared with 1989, attributable to an increasing over-supply, was the main reason for the decline in wool sales.

Margins on tobacco sales were somewhat better when comparing the 1990 quarter to 1989, and there was a substantial improvement in wool results in 1990 compared to 1989, when margins and inventory values were impacted adversely by an overall long stock position in a falling market. The wool division is expected to resume making a contribution to earnings in the third quarter.

Because of the seasonal nature of the Company's businesses, results for the interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results for the full year.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(In thousands, except per share amounts, unaudited)	Quarter Ended June 30 1990	1989
Sales	$193,106	$197,399
Income (loss) before extraordinary items	60	(786)
Extraordinary items	99	18
Net income (loss)	159	(768)
Earnings (loss) per share		
-before extraordinary items	$0.01	$(0.10)
-after extraordinary items	$0.02	$(0.09)
Average shares outstanding	8,227	8,213

Standard Commercial is one of the world's largest leaf tobacco dealers and among the top international wool trading companies. It operates in virtually every tobacco and wool producing nation and sells worldwide to tobacco manufacturers and various wool users. Standard also owns small companies engaged in the landscape nursery and building supply businesses.

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PLYMOUTH, MI (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Highland Superstores, Inc. (NASDAQ: HIGH) reported sales for the second quarter ended July 31, 1990, of $196.5 million, down 1 percent from second-quarter 1989 sales of $198.5 million. The company noted that the sales decline was principally attributable to significantly lower sales of air conditioners. Exclusive of air conditioner sales, second-quarter 1990 sales increased 4 percent over 1989 sales. Comparable store sales declined 4 percent for the quarter and increased 1 percent for the quarter, exclusive of air conditioner sales.

Sales for July 1990 were $64.3 million, down 2 percent from July 1989 sales of $65.7 million. July 1990 included one less selling day than 1989 due to timing of physical inventories. Exclusive of air conditioner sales July 1990 sales increased 2 percent over 1989 sales. Comparable store sales declined 6 percent for the month and decreased 1 percent for the month, exclusive of air conditioner sales.

Sales for the six months ended July 31, 1990, were $381.8 million, down 3 percent from sales of $395.0 million during the same six-month period of 1989. Comparable stores sales declined 7 percent for the six months.

Sales for each of the 1990 periods exclude sales from the Shreveport, La., and Milwaukee markets, from which the company exited during 1990.

Highland Superstores, Inc., headquartered in Plymouth (Detroit), is one of the largest volume specialty retailers of consumer electronics and appliances in the United States. The company currently operates 92 retail stores in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, New York and Texas, including a new store opened on Aug. 2, 1990, in Chicago.

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DALLAS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Atmos Energy Corporation (NYSE: ATO) today reported net income of $109,000, or $.02 per share, on increased operating revenues of $75.2 million for its third fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1990. This compares with a net loss of $1.1 million, or $.19 per share, on operating revenues of $66.5 million for the previous year's third quarter. The third quarter usually is unprofitable due to the seasonal nature of natural gas heating sales.

Volumes of gas sold and transported by the company during the third quarter increased to 27.6 billion cubic feet (Bcf), compared with 25.3 Bcf during the third quarter a year ago.

The company attributed the improved results to unusually dry weather and 21 consecutive days of 100-plus degree temperatures during June in its Texas service area. The dry conditions caused a surge in demand for gas sold for irrigating crops, more than doubling sales in June compared with sales for the month in the previous year. The area is a major contributor to the nation's cotton crop.

Operating expenses excluding purchased gas costs for the quarter were down

slightly from last year's third quarter.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, Atmos reported net income of $11.0 million, or $1.80 per share, on operating revenues of $296.2 million. This compares with net income of $10.4 million, or $1.71 per share, on operating revenues of $284.7 million for the nine months ended June 30, 1989.

Volumes of gas sold and transported by the company during the nine- month period were 97.6 Bcf, up from 95.5 Bcf for the same period the previous year.

Although the fourth quarter is expected to be unprofitable as usual, Atmos Chairman Charles Vaughan said he was optimistic that continued strong irrigation sales in July and the company's cost containment programs will have a positive impact on fourth quarter results.

Atmos previously announced that it had applied for new rates in the Kentucky service area on Feb. 13, 1990. Public hearings have been conducted and concluded, and the company anticipates it will be allowed to place new rates into effect in Kentucky before the fiscal 1991 heating season. Vaughan added, "We are currently reviewing rates of return in the company's other jurisdictions as well."

The board of directors of Atmos today declared a $.29 per share regular quarterly dividend on the company's common stock to be paid on Sept. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 24, 1990.

Atmos Energy Corporation provides natural gas service to more than one-half million customers in Texas, Louisiana and Kentucky through its operating companies -- Energas Company, Trans Louisiana Gas Company and Western Kentucky Gas Company.

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ANDREWS, SC (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Phoenix Medical Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: PHNX) reported sales of $3,761,000 for the quarter ended June 24, 1990, a decrease of six percent from the second quarter of 1989.

A net loss of $845,000, $.43 per share, was incurred as compared with a net loss of $1,084,000, $.55 per share, for the prior year quarter. The prior year quarter included a writedown of latex inventory of $540,000 and an income tax credit of $291,000.

Net sales for the six month period ended June 24, 1990 were $7,704,000, a decrease of two percent from the first six months of 1989. A net loss of $1,682,000, $.86 per share, was incurred as compared with a net loss of $843,000, $.43 per share, for the first six months of the prior year.

The company also announced that it had entered into a letter of intent with MBf International Limited, a Hong Kong Corporation. MBf International Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of MBf Holdings, Berhad, a diversified Malaysian company which owns a latex glove manufacturing subsidiary.

The letter of intent provides for the sale by the company to MBf International Limited of 2,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock at a price of $1 per share, which will represent slightly more than 50 percent of the then outstanding common stock.

It is contemplated that as part of such transaction, all or a substantial portion of the company's glove capacity would be moved to Malaysia over a period of several years.

The completion of this transaction is subject to the completion of the foreign corporation's due diligence, successful negotiation of final agreements, and obtaining any necessary approvals, including approval of the company's bank. There can be no assurance that such a transaction will take place.

The company has suffered recurring losses from operations and the losses are continuing. The company has exhausted its available cash and credit line. The company must have additional capital to continue operations. The company has attempted to provide cash for operations through lowering its inventory levels and receivables.

As a result of this reduction in inventory and receivables, the company, at July 31, 1990, had outstanding borrowings on its revolving line of credit of approximately $443,000 more than the borrowing base available on the line of credit.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - British Aerospace, Inc. today announced that AMR Eagle, Inc., the regional airline partner of American Airlines, has placed a follow-on order for 35 BAe Jetstream Super 31s, with options on a further 15 aircraft. The total value of the order plus options is approximately $200 million.

The order exercises options for 25 aircraft AMR Eagle had reserved as part of the Jetstream transaction announced in June 1989, plus an additional 10 aircraft.

The airline also has existing options for 50 of the new Jetstream 41 aircraft, to be operated in a 29-seat configuration.

Delivery of the first Jetstream Super 31 from this second order is scheduled for November 1990 with remaining aircraft delivered by the end of 1991. Currently operating 25 Jetstreams based at its Nashville, Raleigh/Durham, and Miami hubs, the Eagle fleet will grow to 125 Super 31s and 41s assuming all options are exercised.

Robert E. Martens, AMR Eagle's president, said the new order builds on its established Jetstream fleet and increases the carrier's flexibility.

"These aircraft give us a strong competitive advantage," Martens said. "The Jetstream Super 31 has become a dependable and valuable part of our fleet, helping us provide superior service to smaller communities."

Brian Thomas, president of British Aerospace, Inc., explained the significance of the new order. "The follow-on commitment by AMR Eagle to the Jetstream is an indication of its suitability to one of the world's largest operators," Thomas said. "Their confidence in the aircraft is a testament to its technological superiority and passenger acceptance."

The Jetstream Super 31 is renowned for its unique stand-up headroom, comfortable seating, generous baggage stowage area, and individual reading lights and air conditioning units.

To date, 345 orders have been placed for the Jetstream 31/Super 31 aircraft, with more than 290 of those in service with 33 operators worldwide. In the North American market there have been 296 orders for the aircraft, with more than 240 in service with 18 operators.

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BOXBOROUGH, MASS. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Racal InterLan, Inc. today announced the results of benchmark testing conducted to analyze performance differences between board-based and host-based transmission control protocol/internet protocol (TCP/IP) implementation in a client/server networking environment. The company will provide the information to users and network integrators for use when making network specification and purchasing decisions.

Designed by the consulting firm of Arthur D. Little Corp. of Cambridge, Mass., the benchmark testing distinguishes the appropriate use and load capacity of board-based and host-based TCP/IP implementation.

"The benchmark results will provide users with hard information useful in choosing between board and host-based network interface solutions. In addition, system integrators can use the test results to guide non-network decisions regarding memory requirements, disk performance, CPU speed and overall system capacity," said Bob Nerz, product line director at Racal InterLan.

Host-based TCP/IP refers to the TCP/IP protocol stack being processed in the main CPU of the computer, while board-based TCP/IP processes the protocol stack in memory located on an adapter card slotted into the computer.

Each network adapter solution has certain performance advantages, but end users and VARs have had little hard data to help determine which solution is best for their application. Racal InterLan commissioned benchmark tests to help users make such choices.

Racal InterLan, Inc. designs and manufactures hardware and software solutions for standards-based local area networking at the workgroup, departmental, and premises levels. Headquartered in Boxborough, Mass., Racal InterLan employs 275 people in the United States and abroad. Racal InterLan is a subsidiary of the Racal Corporation, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., a company within the $550 million Data Communications Group of $2.6 billion parent corporation, Racal Electronics Plc.

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GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Knape & Vogt Manufacturing Co. (NASDAQ: KNAP) today reported record sales and earnings for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

In the fourth quarter, net sales increased 8.8 percent to a record $33.2 million from $30.5 million a year earlier. Net income for the 1990 fourth quarter, which included a gain on the sale of a facility, was $5,980,773, or $1.53 per share, compared to net income of $1,440,356, or $0.37 per share in the 1989 quarter.

For the full year, net sales rose 8.2 percent to a record $124.3 million from $114.9 million in fiscal 1989. Net income for 1990, which also

includes the gain on the facility sale, was $9,749,107, or $2.49 per share as compared to net income of $5,324,159, or $1.31 per share in 1989.

The previously disclosed sale of the La Mirada, Calif., facility resulted in an after-tax gain of $4,038,988, or $1.03 per share, in both 1990 periods.

Raymond E. Knape, chairman and president, pointed out that accounting rules require the gain on the La Mirada sale to be treated as other income although the company considers it a one-time gain. "Treating this sale as an extraordinary item, Knape & Vogt showed a strong fourth quarter strictly from operations," Mr. Knape said. "Earnings were up a strong 35 percent to $1,941,785, or $0.50 a share, from the previous year's quarter. This was slightly better than we had anticipated going into the quarter. Eliminating the gain from the full year's results shows an increase in line with our most recent forecasts."

Knape & Vogt manufactures wall-attached shelving, a wide variety of home-furnishing items, and also derives about one-third of its sales from drawer slides for kitchen and utility cabinet manufacturers.

CONTACT: Knape & Vogt Vice Chairman Robert Bowman, 606-459-3311; or Jack Queeney, 312-266-7800, or Kathleen Phelan, 212-661-8030, both of The Financial Relations Board, for Knape & Vogt

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PITTSBURGH (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - National Intergroup Inc. (NII) (NYSE: NII) announced today that, in accordance with its previous announcement, it has increased the offer price under its outstanding tender offer for all outstanding cumulative convertible preference units representing limited partnership interests of Permian Partners, L.P, to $3.85 per preference unit, in cash, subject to adjustment, and one non-transferable contingent value right per preference unit.

The $3.85 per preference unit cash portion of the offer price is subject to reduction on a per unit basis to reflect any distributions on the preference units as of a record date subsequent to May 18, 1990, and prior to the consummation of the offer, other than the regular quarterly distribution of $0.2875 per preference unit for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 (which will be paid on Aug. 31, 1990). The contingent value rights (which are more fully described in the supplement dated Aug. 8, 1990, amending the terms of the offer) will afford unitholders the right to participate, subject to certain conditions, in the net proceeds (as defined in the supplement), if any, allocable to the preference units acquired by NII in excess of the cash portion of the purchase price paid pursuant to the tender offer, in the event of a sale of the partnership to

an unaffiliated party within a specified period of time after the consummation of the offer and the minority acquisition referred to below. The specific terms of the contingent value rights are set forth in the supplement and the foregoing is qualified in its entirety by reference to the supplement. NII commenced the tender offer on May 24, 1990, at an original price of $3.75 per preference unit in cash, subject to reduction on a per unit basis to reflect any distributions on the preference units subsequent to May 18, 1990, and prior to the consummation of the offer, other than the regular quarterly distribution for the quarter ended March 31, 1990 (which was paid on May 31, 1990).

The increased offer price under the tender offer reflects the terms of the previously announced settlement of certain litigation relating to the tender offer and is subject to approval by the Delaware Court of Chancery (and the resolution of any appeals therefrom). The tender offer is conditioned on, among other things, a majority of the publicly held preference units being validly tendered and not withdrawn; the adoption of an amendment to Permian's partnership agreement that would permit NII, upon acquiring a majority of the publicly held preference units pursuant to the tender offer, to purchase all remaining preference units at a price equal to the purchase price paid under the tender offer (the "minority acquisition"); and the issuance of a final, unappealable judicial order approving the terms of the settlement. A hearing date for approval of the settlement has been scheduled for Aug. 27, 1990, subject to adjournment at the court's discretion.

In connection with increasing the offer price under the tender offer, NII also announced that it is extending the tender offer until 12:00 midnight (New York City time) on Aug. 27, 1990, subject to NII's right to extend the offer further. The tender offer was previously scheduled to expire at 12:00 midnight (New York City time) on Aug. 10, 1990. NII stated that the supplement and the other definitive offering materials containing the terms of the amended offer are being filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission today and will be mailed to holders of preference units promptly.

NII also announced that it has been advised by The Permian Corp. (TPC), a wholly owned subsidiary of NII and the sole general partner of Permian, that TPC plans to commence today its solicitation of consents from the limited partners of Permian with respect to the adoption of the amendment that is a condition of NII's tender offer.

As of the close of business on Aug. 7, 1990, approximately 5,177,510 preference units had been tendered and not withdrawn under the offer, representing approximately 32.9 percent of the publicly held preference units.

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BALTIMORE (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE), in conjunction with the City of Baltimore, the Rouse Co., and various other city, private and non-profit organizations, is sponsoring a one-stop crisis intervention center at the Mondawmin Mall.

The center will provide Baltimore City residents with a centralized resource which can respond immediately and effectively to emergency human service problems. Opening ceremonies are scheduled at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 15.

Baltimore Gas and Electric customer relations representatives, already located in the mall, will closely coordinate their efforts with the center to provide energy assistance to low-income citizens. Representatives will help eligible customers develop acceptable utility payment plans as well as provide them with guidance on obtaining funding from other sources such as the Fuel Fund.

Current human service programs are designed to provide non-emergency service to city residents. The crisis center will provide timely emergency service to low- to moderate income residents by putting existing resources together under one roof.

In addition to the Urban Services Agency and the Mayor's Station Program, BG&E, the Mayor's Office of Community and Neighborhood Relations, the Department of Social Services, the Baltimore Police Department and Energy Advocates will jointly assist in the coordination of services. City residents faced with crisis situations such as energy assistance, eviction prevention, homeless services, emergency food, substance abuse and juvenile delinquency can now receive timely help, if eligible, by visiting the crisis center.

Mondawmin Mall was chosen because of its accessibility by MTA lines, the Metro substation, the large number of area residents requiring crisis intervention services and the availability of other city, state, federal and private service providers currently located in the mall. The crisis center will be a valuable resource to the communities of Pimlico, Lower Park Heights, Upton, Rosemont, Reservoir Hill and Wyman Park.

While this is a new one-stop center, BG&E reminds its customers that representatives are always available to counsel those having problems paying their utility bills. For more information, please call 301-685-0123.

CONTACT: Charles J. Franklin Jr. of BG&E, 301-234-7433

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#90220p3337 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Bechtel Corp. is developing a prequalified bidding process for construction-related work on the PGT-PG&E Pipeline Expansion. Bechtel, project manager to construct the 845-mile natural gas transmission pipeline expansion of Pacific Gas Transmission Co. (PGT) and Pacific Gas and Electric Co.'s (PG&E) existing facilities recently awarded the engineering contract for the project to Gulf Interstate Engineering-ICF Kaiser Engineers and Fish Engineering, both of Houston.

The PGT-PG&E Pipeline Expansion will use 36-inch and 42-inch pipeline to transport Canadian natural gas to the Pacific Northwest and California. It will traverse parts of Idaho, Washington, Oregon and California. Pending approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and California Public Utilities commission, construction of the $1.2 billion expansion will occur over a two-year period estimated to begin in late 1991.

An extensive range of ancillary products and services will be required to construct the pipeline expansion and related compressor and meter station facilities. Bid opportunities for qualified subcontractors and suppliers are being developed and will be announced soon.

Qualified minority and women-owned business enterprises will be actively sought as suppliers in all phases of the project and are encouraged to participate.

CONTACT: Roland K. Young of the PGT-PG&E Pipeline Expansion Project, 415-768-3331

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#90220p3338 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Tranwood Earl & Company Limited, a U.K.-based private investment firm led by Peter Earl, has announced that agreement has been reached on the terms of a recommended acquisition of The VPI Group PLC, a global financial public relations firm, including its U.S. subsidiary, Quorum Communications, Inc., formerly The Carter Organization. The acquisition is to be implemented by TCF Partners PLC, a special-purpose company controlled by The Tranwood Consortium Fund, of which Tranwood Earl is manager.

The transaction is valued at approximately $13.1 million plus additional amounts that may arise by way of awards for damages pursuant to litigation entered into by VPI in relation to the acquisition and subsequent operation of Quorum Communications.

Richard Koch and Peter Earl, directors of TCF Partners, have been appointed to the board of VPI as non-executive directors. Following completion of the acquisition, it is intended that The VPI Group's U.K. and U.S. businesses will operate as two entirely separate entities, with Koch as chairman of the U.K. businesses, and Earl as chairman of Quorum Communications, Inc. in the U.S.

Quorum Communications, acquired by VPI in 1987, currently employs 70 people at its New York headquarters and offers proxy solicitation services.

Peter Earl, 35, was a Kennedy Scholar at Harvard University before joining Boston Consulting Group as an advisor on corporate strategy. He went on to work in international mergers and acquisitions at Blyth Eastman Dillon and Orion Royal Bank. In 1982, he became a vice president of Arab Banking Corporation, helping to establish its merchant banking arm, ABC International Limited, of which he was a director. In 1985 he formed Tranwood Earl. Currently chief executive of Tranwood PLC, Earl is also a non-executive director of Prospect Industries PLC and co-author of International Mergers & Acquisitions (Euromoney Publications, 1986).

The Tranwood Consortium Fund is a limited partnership established under English Law and formed for the purpose of investing in equity and equity-related securities in the U.K. and elsewhere in Europe. The Fund was established in the second half of 1989 and has aggregate capital commitments of approximately $44 million.

For a full copy of the announcement made to the Stock Exchange in London, contact Broadgate Consultants, Inc. in New York at 212-742-1280.

CONTACT: Thomas C. Franco of Broadgate Consultants, 212-742-1280, for Tranwood Earl & Company Limited.

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BETHESDA, MD (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Washington Real Estate Investment Trust (WRIT) (AMEX: WRE) cash flow from operations for the second quarter of 1990 was up 16 percent to $4,933,677, compared with $4,260,242 for the second quarter of 1989 (32 cents vs. 29 cents per share).

Net income for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $4,093,347 was up 16 percent compared with $3,523,311 for the second quarter of 1989 (26 cents vs. 24 cents per share).

All four of WRIT's property groups contributed to the increased operating profits. WRIT's heavy emphasis on achieving high occupancy rates produced an overall occupancy rate of 94 percent for the second quarter of 1990.

The restaurant and the last two remaining stores in the new 19,500-square-foot addition to the Concord Shopping Center have been leased, resulting in the entire 76,400-square-foot center now being 100 percent leased.

WRIT's capital improvement program continues at 444 North Frederick Ave., the office building acquired last October. At the time last fall that the trust signed its purchase contract, 444 was 40 percent vacant and leases for an additional 44 percent were expiring on or before May 31, 1990. The majority of the expiring leases renewed and some expanded. With other new leases signed, the leased space on Aug. 1 had increased to 74 percent, and climbing. Pepsi-Cola moved into its 69,000-square-foot distribution center during the second quarter, and WRIT completed capital improvements in excess of $1 million for Pepsi. Construction is in progress at the 145,000-square-foot Capitol Freeway Center for the District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department under a 10-year lease. WRIT is committed to an ongoing program of reinvestment in is properties to produce greatly increased rental revenues.

WRIT's third quarter dividend of 27 cents per share will be paid on Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 7, 1990. This will be the 116th consecutive quarterly dividend equal to or greater than the previous dividend.

CONTACT: Howard E. Cochran, vice president - finance, Washington Real Estate Investment Trust, 301-652-4300

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NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - USLIFE Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: UIF), a closed-end investment company, reported today that net investment income from interest and dividends decreased to $5,042,261 or 94 cents per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, compared to income of $5,238,048 or 98 cents per share in the previous fiscal year. Regular quarterly dividends totalling 93 cents per share were paid to stockholders during the fiscal year.

For the twelve months ended June 30, 1990, net realized losses from securities transactions amounted to $2,480,398. The net increase in unrealized losses on investment securities during the period amounted to $3,102,872.

The net assets of USLIFE Income Fund totalled $46,741,889 at June 30, 1990 compared to $52,264,599 on June 30, 1989. Net asset value per share at June 30, 1990 was $8.73 compared to $9.76 on June 30, 1989.

The board of directors of USLIFE Income Fund today declared a quarterly

dividend of 23 cents per share from net investment income. The dividend will be payable on Sept. 4, 1990 to stockholders of record on Aug. 24, 1990.

USLIFE Income Fund is managed by USLIFE Advisers, Inc., a subsidiary of USLIFE Corporation (NYSE: USH).

USLIFE INCOME FUND, INC.
Condensed Comparative Results of Operations

Twelve months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Interest & dividend income	$5,723,775	$5,913,817
Expenses	681,514	675,769
Net investment income	5,042,261	5,238,048
Net investment income per share	$.94	$.98
Other pertinent data:		
Net realized loss from securities transactions:		
Amount	(2,480,398)	(112,162)
Per share	$(.46)	$(.02)
Net unrealized gain (loss) from securities transactions:		
Amount	(3,102,872)	1,083,617
Per share	$(.58)	$.20
Net assets Total	46,741,889	52,264,599
Per share	$8.73	$9.76
Number of shares outstanding at end of period	5,356,668	5,356,668

CONTACT: John G. Kelly, vice president and corporate secretary of USLIFE Income Fund, 212-709-6415

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#90220p3347 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SARASOTA, FL (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Salvarori Ophthalmics (NASDAQ: EYES) today announced an increase in earnings for its second quarter ended June 30, 1990. On sales of $1,542,135, Salvatori had net income for the current quarter of $39,589 compared to 1989 second quarter sales of $1,436,761 and net income of $11,231. Salvatori also reported, for the first time, a profit at the conclusion of its first six months of 1990 operations. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company had net income of $6,211 on sales of $2,853,405 compared to a net loss of $61,237 on sales of $2,232,161 for the same period in 1989. In addition to record earnings, the company reports that the sales achieved for the two 1990 periods are both records. The 1990 results of operations includes a $17,000 extraordinary credit for the tax benefit of a net operating loss carryforward.

Salvatori attributes its continuing growth in sales and earnings to increased sales of its Sof-form (R) 55 Toric contact lens (a soft lens that corrects astigmatism) as well as increased sales of RGP (rigid gas permeable) contact lenses. The RGP sales increase results from the company's March 1989 acquisition of its Lincoln, Neb. sales and manufacturing division ("Lincoln") from BMC Industries, Inc. The Lincoln division primarily manufactures and sells RGP contact lenses.

Salvatori is looking for further growth in its RGP sales with its previously announced introduction of the Boston Envision (R) contact lens. The Boston Envision (R) lens will be manufactured under a license with Polymer Technology Corporation ("PTC"), a division of Bausch & Lomb. The Boston Envision (R) lens will only be available from Authorized Manufacturers of PTC such as Salvatori. The Boston Envision (R) contact lens design, PTC believes, is a significant advance which will create new levels in patient comfort and fit. Salvatori believes this new product will have a positive impact on its RGP sales in the last half of 1990.

SALVATORI OPHTHALMICS, INC.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED
STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$1,542,135	1,436,761	$2,853,405	$2,232,161
Gross profit	715,590	664,706	1,325,715	1,002,195
Operating income (loss)	46,524	34,824	20,494	(24,300)
Income (Loss) before income taxes and extraordinary item	42,839	13,731	9,711	(55,237)
Income taxes	20,250	2,500	20,500	6,000
Income (Loss) before extraordinary item	22,589	11,231	(10,789)	(61,237)
Extraordinary item	17,000	--	17,000	--
Net income (loss)	$ 39,589	$ 11,231	$ 6,211	$ (61,237)
Net income (loss) per common share:				
Before extraordinary item	$ 0.01	$ --	$ --	$ (0.01)
Extraordinary item	--	--	--	--
	$ 0.01	$ --	$ --	$ (0.01)
Weighted average shares outstanding	5,408,609	5,408,609	5,408,609	4,117,714

CONTACT: Lawrence Magill or David Dougherty of Salvatori Ophthalmics, Inc., 813-355-8802.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Santa Fe Railway has advised its intermodal customers that it is considering a surcharge related to fuel prices. Don McInnes, vice president-intermodal, said the surcharge would be effective as early as Aug. 15, if the railway concludes to apply it.

"Our final decision, including the magnitude of the surcharge, will be related directly to the cost of fuel," he said. "By Aug. 15 we should have a better feel for the extent of the fuel cost increase, and perhaps some indication of its duration. Our tentative plan is to adjust our intermodal surcharge as needed after Aug. 15, based upon the price of fuel."

McInnes reported that the railway's costs for diesel fuel have increased nearly 30 percent in the past two weeks. "We are reluctant to raise our tariffs, and do not want to act precipitously, but if these conditions continue we really have no alternative," he said.

The railway said it was also considering what action to take with regard to non-intermodal traffic, but that since intermodal is completely deregulated it can move quicker in that area of its business.

CONTACT: Bob Gehrt of Santa Fe Railway, 312-786-6268

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#90220p3352 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that the initial public offering of Bradmar Petroleum Corporation of Oklahoma City, began trading 1,890,559 common shares today on a "when issued" basis. Bradmar Petroleum is a recently-formed oil and gas company that was organized to consolidate the businesses, assets and operations of Petroleum Investments, Ltd. and certain limited partnership interests in nine Oklahoma limited partnerships into a single, publicly-traded entity.

Trading under ticker symbol BPC.WI, the common stock opened on 100 shares at 3-3/4.

Bradmar Petroleum will explore for, develop, produce and market oil and gas and conduct well operation activities. The company's oil and gas activities will be concentrated in Oklahoma, and to a lesser extent in Texas and Kansas.

CONTACT: Lisa Kravitz of American Stock Exchange, 212-306-1632

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#90220p3358 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE: KLT) announced today that the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act applicable to its tender offer for Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) expired at 11:59 p.m., yesterday evening, Aug. 7, 1990.

On July 23, 1990, Kansas City Power & Light commenced an all cash, fully financed tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of Kansas Gas and Electric. The offer price for the common stock, approximately $857 million in the aggregate, represents a 37 percent premium over the market price of Kansas Gas and Electric on July 20, 1990, the last trading day prior to the commencement of Kansas City Power & Light's offer.

CONTACT: J. Turner White of Kansas City Power and Light Company, 816-556-2997, or Joele Frank of Adams and Rinehart, 212-557-0100, for Kansas City Power and Light.

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#90220p3360 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - American Airlines announced today that it will increase all fares by 10 percent to offset skyrocketing fuel costs.

The increase will be effective Aug. 10 for fares in the continental United States, Hawaii, and the Caribbean. A similar increase for international fares will take effect Aug. 15.

"We regret that recent events in the Middle East have caused a significant increase in fuel prices, leading to the need to increase air fares," said Michael W. Gunn, American's senior vice president- marketing.

"American wants to be fair with its customers and we are especially sorry to do this because we know that higher fares will create hardships for many," Gunn said.

"Unfortunately, unlike some other industries, airlines feel the effects of fuel price increases almost immediately; thus we must move quickly to recover these rapidly rising costs, particularly since a high percentage of our seats have already been sold at prices which do not reflect the impact of higher fuel prices."

Fuel is an enormous cost item for us, Gunn said, and a 10 percent fare increase will, at best, simply recover our increased costs after allowing for the expected loss of business which higher prices will inevitably mean.

In an attempt to avoid any need for further price increases, American has launched an aggressive effort to find additional ways to reduce costs.

Every 1-cent increase in the price per gallon of jet fuel adds more than $2 million a month -- or $25 million a year -- to American's costs, Gunn said, and he pointed out that American uses more than 200 million gallons of jet fuel each month.

CONTACT: Tim Smith of American Airlines, 817-967-3273

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#90220p3362 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MI (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Leeco Diagnostics, Inc. (OTC: LECO) announced today the following second-quarter results and its performance for the first six months of 1990.

LEECO DIAGNOSTICS, INC.

Three months ended June 30	1990	1989
Total revenues	$4,105,787	$3,776,318
Net loss	(366,563)	(123,321)
Net loss per share	(0.06)	(0.02)
Weighted average number of shares	5,729,074	5,731,124

Six months ended June 30	1990	1989
Total revenues	$8,831,920	$8,067,193
Net income (loss)	(508,258)	139,136
Net income (loss) per share	(0.09)	0.02
Weighted average number of shares	5,729,074	5,807,220

Leeco's Chief Financial Officer Franco Tomasini stated, "Overall product sales increased 10.74 percent during the quarter. The increase came from strong foreign sales contributed by Leeco's wholly owned subsidiary in Italy, Technogenetics. Losses this quarter and for the six-month period resulted primarily from high costs of goods sold at Leeco, increased SG&A expenses at Technogenetics and the shift from net interest income to interest expense. The company is continuing to focus its efforts on bringing its costs in line with industry standards and implementing automation."

As reported on July 31, 1990, Leeco announced the appointment of Rod Raynovich as chief executive officer and Ron Steckel as vice president of operations. Additionally, Leeco announced the promotion of Michael Miller to senior vice president.

Through facilities in the United States, Italy and the People's Republic of China, Leeco develops, manufactures and markets test kits used in the diagnosis of more then 50 medical conditions or diseases. These test kits are supplied to hospitals, clinical laboratories and over-the-counter markets.

CONTACT: Franco Tomasini of Leeco Diagnostics, Inc. 313-353-2620.

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#90220p3366 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Caere Corp. (NASDAQ: CAER) today introduced a hand-held scanner with true 300 dpi CCD input array that can import text and numbers directly into the user's personal computer application. Announced here at the MacWorld Show, Caere's Typist(TM) lets users scan information into an application at the rate of 500 words per minute.

The product's affordable price and high performance will create new market opportunities for Caere, according to Larry Miller, Caere's vice president of marketing and sales for office products. "The Typist is designed to function as a personal scanner," Miller said. "It sets a new standard for speed, ease-of-use, practicality and versatility, and its price point -- under $700 -- makes page recognition very affordable to individuals as well as all sizes of businesses."

Designed specifically for page recognition, the Typist uses Caere's AnyFont(TM) optical character recognition technology to recognize text regardless of the font style or the number of columns on a page. This enables users to take information from almost any hard copy source and put it directly into word processors, spreadsheets, databases or other applications. Direct Input into Applications

Caere's Typist enables the user to input scanned, recognized material directly into whatever application is currently running on the user's computer. As the user scans the page, the text or numbers automatically appear in the report, presentation, analysis, etc. that he/she is working on. This direct input is made possible by a design methodology which interrupts the keyboard operation and allows data to enter the application via the keyboard buffer. Fast, Easy Scanning

The Typist offers a scanning speed of up to two inches per second, while competing products offer a speed of only one inch per second. In addition the Typist includes the ability to recognize multicolumned pages, one column at a time. To prevent column overlap, the Typist recognizes the column that is in the physical center of the scanner and throws away the incomplete columns on either side.

Users may scan either horizontally or veritcally without adjusting any

settings. The Typist's software automatically interprets the direction. When scanning horizontally, the Typist automatically discards repeated text which occurs when two scans overlap. The Typist accomplishes this process by comparing the ASCII text of the last line of the first scan with the ASCII text of the first line of the second scan. This procedure is commonly referred to as "stitching." Ergonomically Designed Hardware

The Typist was specially designed for user comfort and flexibility. Its two-inches-per-second scanning speed not only saves users time, but is optimized to allow the user's hand to have a more consistent pull rate than is possible with the typical one-inch-per-second speed. "Caere studied this issue and found that this feature can make scanning easier and more comfortable for the user, thereby contributing to increased productivity," Miller said.

The Typist also has a five-inch scan width, which enables the user to scan a typical business document with only two scans of the page. A large, well-lit viewing window makes the data visible to the user from a wide variety of angles. Five yaw-resistant rollers prevent side-to-side movement, and a single wide button enables right- and left-handed people to use the Typist equally effectively. Affordably Priced

The Typist is priced to appeal to a wide variety of users. The suggested retail price for the Apple Macintosh version, which includes a SCSI interface box, is $695. The suggested retail price for the 80286- and 80386-based personal computer version which includes an AT- or MCA-interface card, is $595. "At this price point, the Typist is affordable for people who don't have the volume needs or office space to justify buying a flatbed scanner and a separate page recognition package like Caere's OmniPage(R) or a high-volume system like our Parallel Reader(TM)," Miller said. "It may also be easier for more people to buy, because its low price places it in a category of products, that typically is not subject to lengthy purchase approval processes." Multiple Markets and Environments

The Typist is intended for use in new markets, such as home office, finance, education and research environments. as well as those markets traditionally served by Caere's current page recognition product line, including the general office, desktop publishing and legal environments. "People will discover new applications for the Typist as they use it," Miller said. "A home-based writer with one personal computer will find it useful, as will a salesperson working with a laptop in the field, as will a manager or a secretary who uses a computer network in a corporation." Additional Features

The Typist includes the ability to scan graphic images through image capture software that supports industry standard PCX, TIFF and PICT output file formats. A dither pattern switch enables the user to choose among

four different patterns when working with photos or line art. Clicking the scan button once automatically sets the contrast correctly.

Standard page recognition features of the Typist include Caere's AnyFont technology, which reads fonts from six points to 72 points in size and in either landscape or portrait orientation. It also reads any nonstylized font in any type of layout or mix of text and graphics. AnyFont supports 11 languages. System Requirements and Availability

The Macintosh version of the Typist requires four megabytes of RAM and a Macintosh SE or any member of the Macintosh II family. It will ship in September 1990.

The 80286 and 80386 versions require IBM PC or compatible with an AT bus or a Micro Channel bus, 640 kilobytes of base memory, two megabytes of expanded/extended memory and a hard disk. They will ship in the fourth quarter of 1990.

Caere Corp., based in Los Gatos, Calif., designs, manufactures and markets information recognition software and systems products that provide a low-cost, accurate means of converting text, numeric and bar code data into computer-usable form.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern Mineral Corp. (NASDAQ: SMIN) announced today its best ever three-month and six-month periods. Prompted by a $9.4 million gain from the June sale of its interests in the Trimble Field, the company set a new net income record of $5,715,000 or $1.42 per share for the three months ending June 30, 1990, compared to net income of $337,000 or $.08 per share, for the three months ending June 30, 1989. While the provision for income taxes rose to $3,386,000 in the 1990 second quarter from $150,000 in the 1989 second quarter, revenues soared to a $9,753,000 record this quarter from $850,000 in the 1989 second quarter as a result of this sale.

Due to the gain, the company also posted impressive totals for the first six months. Compared to net income of $660,000, or $.16 per share, for the six months ending June 30, 1989, net income rose 900 percent to a new record of $5,983,000, or $1.49 per share, for the six months ending June 30, 1990. Revenues for this period rose to $10,926,000, also a record, from $1,672,000 for the same period last year. Partly offsetting the rise in revenues, the provision for income taxes increased to $3,512,000 this six months from $292,000 for the same period last year.

Southern Mineral Corp. is primarily an exploration company with production in the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas and Wyoming.

SOUTHERN MINERAL CORP.

Periods Ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
REVENUES				
Oil and gas	$ 326,000	$803,000	$1,394,000	$1,585,000
Interest	57,000	43,000	113,000	83,000
Gain on sale of producing properties	9,362,000	3,000	9,401,000	3,000
Other income	8,000	1,000	18,000	1,000
	$9,753,000	$850,000	$10,926,000	$1,672,000
EXPENSES				
Production	63,000	59,000	180,000	109,000
Exploration	294,000	63,000	682,000	157,000
Depreciation and depletion	72,000	42,000	145,000	84,000
General and administrative	223,000	199,000	424,000	370,000
	$ 652,000	$363,000	$ 1,431,000	$720,000
Income before income taxes	9,101,000	487,000	9,495,000	952,000
Provision for federal and state income taxes	3,386,000	150,000	3,512,000	292,000
Net income	$5,715,000	$337,000	$5,983,000	$ 660,000
Net income per share	$1.42	$.08	$1.49	$.16

Price range of common stock -- NASDAQ National Market System
Source of quotations -- National Association of Securities Dealers Inc., Washington, D.C.

PRICE RANGE (A)

	1990		1989		1988	
	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW
First quarter	$4.38	$3.75	$3.75	$3.25	$3.75	$3.00
Second quarter	5.00	3.63	4.25	3.25	3.88	3.25
Third quarter			4.25	3.88	3.50	2.50
Fourth quarter			4.25	3.50	3.75	2.75
For the year			$4.25	$3.25	$3.88	$2.50

(A) Effective April 5, 1988, the company's stock commenced trading as a NASDAQ National Market Issue. Prices listed prior to that date are based on "Bid Price."

Number of stockholders of record -- 1,058.

BALANCE SHEET:	6/30/90	6/30/89
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash & cash equivalents	$2,360,000	$ 4,000
Marketable securities	9,681,000	1,910,000

Receivables	333,000	490,000
Oil & gas property held for sale	-	230,000
Prepaids and other	30,000	35,000
	$12,404,000	$2,669,000
PLANT, PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT, at cost using the successful efforts method		
Mineral rights	81,000	81,000
Unproven properties	425,000	558,000
Oil & gas producing properties	2,438,000	2,056,000
Office equipment	55,000	51,000
Accumulated depreciation and depletion	(631,000)	(594,000)
	$ 2,368,000	$2,152,000
Oil & gas properties held for sale	122,000	273,000
Total assets	$14,894,000	$5,094,000
Liabilities & stockholders' equity		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	$ 684,000	$ 180,000
Income taxes payable	3,339,000	38,000
	$4,023,000	$ 218,000
Deferred income taxes	428,000	404,000
Stockholders' equity Common stock-par value $.01 per share Authorized 10,000,000 at June 30, 1990 and 1989, issued 4,161,600 at June 30, 1990 and 1989	42,000	42,000
Additional paid-in capital	843,000	843,000
Retained earnings	9,631,000	3,660,000
	$10,516,000	$4,545,000
Less cost of 137,179 shares of common stock in treasury at June 30, 1990 and 1989	(73,000)	(73,000)
Total liabilities and stock-holders' equity	$14,894,000	$5,094,000

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#90220p3371 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Forney International, Inc., for more than 60 years a leading designer and fabricator of electronic control systems and combustion products, today reported that revenues were up by 20 percent and order backlog by 100 percent for fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Forney, which entered 1990 with a backlog of $14 million, added $50 million in new business during the year. Based on products shipped, the company recorded sales of $36 million compared to $30 million in 1989. The company enters fiscal year 1991 with a backlog of $28 million, double the previous year's total. Forney, a privately held company, generated profits and positive cash flow for the year.

Based on its current backlog and continuing market penetration, the company estimates sales for 1991 will be 30 percent over the 1990 level. The company attributes its improved performance to three factors: a change in sales and marketing strategies, new ownership, and new management. The growth in Forney's business has enabled the company to increase its workforce by 140 during the last 12 months, bringing total employment to 380.

In March 1989, New Orleans-based TANO Corp. acquired Forney from Foster Wheeler. The new owners selected Jesse M. Lawrence, a 29-year veteran of General Electric, to head the company as president and chief executive officer.

In addition to expanding its domestic market share, Forney has succeeded in penetrating foreign markets. Forney has a strong track record in the Pacific Rim marketplace, including South Korea, Taiwan, Republic of China, Philippines, Australia and India. Founded in 1927, Forney International products have been installed in over 2,700 facilities worldwide.

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#90220p3374 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

FULLERTON, CA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Yokohama Rubber Co. Ltd., the second largest tire manufacturer in Japan, has announced its investment and production plans for the Mohawk Rubber Co. of Akron, Ohio which Yokohama Rubber acquired last October.

According to the plan, Yokohama-brand radial tires for passenger cars and light trucks the replacement market will be produced by the end of the year, in addition to the existing production of Mohawk- brand and private brand tires. Yokohama also intends to supply OEM tires in North America.

The production capacity of Mohawk, which now is 4.1 million units per year will be increased to 5.3 million in 1991. Yokohama's plan is to increase capacity to 10 million units per year by the mid- 1990's.

Initial investment will be $40 million for expansion of production with a total investment of 200 million. Approximately 100 employees will be

hired in 1991.

Yokohama Rubber has already begun discussions with the state government, Mohawk's labor union and other concerned parties, seeking their cooperation and support.

Mohawk has already begun improvements of the production lines at its plant in Salem, Va. At the same time, Yokohama Rubber's technical instructors have been sent to Mohawk, and Mohawk trainees and engineers have been sent to Japan to refine their technical knowledge.

Yokohama-brand tires produced at Mohawk will be marketed by Yokohama Tire Corp. in the United States and Yokohama Tire (Canada) Inc. in Canada.

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#90220p3383 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Bio-Medicus, Inc. (NASDAQ:BMDS) today reported net income of $1,547,000, or 20 cents per share, for its first quarter ended June 30, 1990, an increase of 30 percent over net income of $1,189,000, or 15 cents per share, for the same period of fiscal 1990. Sales were $8,085,000 in the first quarter of 1991, compared with $7,658,000 for the same period last year, an increase of 6 percent.

The company's financial results in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were adversely affected by expenses incurred as a result of its proposed merger with Medtronic, Inc. In the comparable period of fiscal 1990, results were adversely affected by takeover defense and merger expenses incurred by HemoTec, Inc., which became a wholly owned subsidiary of Bio-Medicus on Aug. 29, 1989.

Sales of Bio-Medicus circulatory support products increased 5 percent over last year's first quarter, in spite of a 51 percent decrease in Bio-Console sales. The company attributed the Bio-Console sales reduction primarily to uncertainties among its independent domestic and foreign distributors, arising from the proposed merger with Medtronic, Inc., and to a more conservative approach by the medical community to supported angioplasty procedures. Bio-Pump unit sales increased 19 percent over last year's first quarter.

Sales of HemoTec products for the management of clotting factors increased 7 percent over the prior year's first quarter.

Bio-Medicus has signed a definitive agreement to merge with Medtronic, Inc., subject to certain conditions, including approval of Bio-Medicus

shareholders. Bio-Medicus operations would become part of Medtronic's cardiopulmonary business.

Bio-Medicus is the world's leading producer of centrifugal blood pumps and related equipment for circulatory support systems. Through HemoTec it produces computer-based instruments and disposables for the management of clotting factors during medical procedures. BIO-MEDICUS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES--CONSOLIDATED OPERATING SUMMARY

3 Months Ended June 30	1990	1989
Sales	$8,085,000	$7,658,000
Cost of products sold	2,912,000	2,791,000
Selling, general and administrative expenses	2,150,000	2,159,000
Research and development	298,000	505,000
Merger and takeover defense expenses	384,000	567,000
Income before taxes	2,694,000	1,906,000
Net income	$1,547,000	$1,189,000
Earnings per common and common equivalent share	$0.20	$0.15
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	7,833,739	7,757,958

BIO-MEDICUS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (IN THOUSANDS)

	6/30/90	3/31/90
Assets:		
Cash and short term investments	$17,566	$16,132
Accounts receivable	6,503	5,807
Inventories	4,460	4,282
Other current assets	710	312
Total current assets	29,239	26,533
Property, plant and equipment less accumulated depreciation and amortization	5,785	5,837
Other assets	252	248
	$35,276	$32,618
Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity		
Current liabilities	$ 4,148	$ 3,706
Deferred income taxes	1,047	770
Stockholders' equity	30,081	28,142
	$35,276	$32,618

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#90220p3385 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

PENNSAUKEN, N.J. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - MEDIQ Inc. (AMEX: MED), a provider of healthcare and financial services, today reported operating results for the third quarter and the first nine months of fiscal 1990.

For the third quarter ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $94,596,000 vs. $87,940,000 for the comparable period last year and net income was $2,884,000 or 12 cents per share, vs. $3,024,000 or 13 cents per share, for the year-earlier period.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $274,968,000 compared to $252,780,000 during the same fiscal 1989 period. Net income for the nine-month period in 1990 was $6,133,000 or 26 cents per share. For the comparable 1989 period, net income was $8,134,000 or 34 cents per share.

Bernard J. Korman, president and chief executive officer of MEDIQ, stated that the increase in 1990 third quarter revenues in comparison to 1989 was largely due to the significant continued growth of Copelco Financial Services Group's revenues which increased 31 percent over 1989 levels. Operating profit was adversely affected by the continuing poor performance by the company's free-standing psychiatric facilities, home care and optical subsidiaries. In the third quarter of 1990 the company's financial services subsidiary, mobile x-ray, and healthcare facility planning and project management companies exceeded 1989 third quarter results.

The 1990 results include the effects of the company's adoption, in the third quarter of fiscal 1990, of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 96, "Accounting for Income Taxes," as of Oct. 1, 1989. The effect of adopting this change in accounting principle resulted in income of $362,000 or 2 cents per share and is shown as a separate component of income in the company's consolidated operating results.

MEDIQ Inc., whose shares (MED and MED.Pr) and debentures (MED.C) are traded on the American Stock Exchange, provides products and services to hospitals, nursing homes, health care professionals and consumers through its subsidiaries. MEDIQ's businesses include diagnostic imaging and testing; maintenance of diagnostic equipment; pharmaceutical packaging; medical equipmental rental; health care facility planning, design and project management; management and ownership of psychiatric units; utilization review of medical claims made to insurance companies, and financial services.

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#90220p3387 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - ADC Telecommunications, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADCT), announced today estimated sales and orders for the quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1990.

Estimated sales were $65.8 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, representing a 32 percent increase over the $50.0 million recorded in the quarter ended July 31, 1989. Estimated orders were $66.1 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, representing a 27 percent increase over the $52.1 million recorded in the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

For the nine months ended July 31, 1990, estimated sales were $188.0 million, reflecting a 37 percent increase over the nine months ended July 31, 1989 ($137.3 million). Estimated orders of $189.3 million for the nine months ended July 31, 1990, were 33 percent greater than the $141.8 million in estimated orders reported for the nine months ended July 31, 1989.

The quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1990, include estimated sales and orders for Kentrox Industries, Inc., purchased by ADC in July 1989, and American Lightwave Systems, purchased by ADC in July 1990. Due to the timing of these acquisitions, the sales and orders amounts for the quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1989, do not reflect significant contributions from the acquired companies. Final sales, orders and earnings for third quarter 1990 will be announced in late August.

ADC Telecommunications, Inc., designs, manufactures and markets a wide variety of electronic and electromechanical circuit management devices used by telephone companies and in large private telecommunications networks.

NOTE: All amounts are estimated as of Aug. 8, 1990.

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#90220p3389 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATCHISON, KS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Midwest Grain Products, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MWGP) reported that results for its fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, improved slightly over the preceding quarter, but were down from the same period a year ago.

Similarly, annual profitability was overshadowed by last year's record performance.

The earnings decline stems mainly from price reductions in four of the company's major product lines, according to Ladd Seaberg, president and

chief executive officer. "The reductions were enacted," he said, "to protect our markets in response to abnormally intense competition."

Although competitive pressures are still being felt, Seaberg expects steady improvements based on lower raw material costs, increased mill production, and greater operational efficiency. He also indicated that recent developments in oil producing countries in the Middle East could stimulate greater growth in the company's fuel and industrial alcohol markets.

"My initial optimism is based on the fact that we did make some headway in our fourth quarter," Seaberg said. "Even though the results are disappointing compared to a year earlier, I feel we at least achieved a step toward getting things turned around."

Net income for the quarter was $1,737,000, or 27 cents per share, on sales of $44,284,000. For the same period last year, net income was $3,127,000, or 48 cents per share, on sales of $49,395,000. Part of the decrease was attributed to an unexpected, recently determined rise of $590,000 in annual workers' compensation costs.

Net income for the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, was $8,352,000, or $1.28 per share, on sales of $184,025,000. Last year's net income was $13,146,000, or $2.09 per share, on sales of $191,750,000.

Since November, the company's sales of vital wheat gluten have been hampered by an excess of imports, initially from Australia and most recently from the European Community. "This extra supply of gluten has caused price decreases and pushed our unit sales below last year's level," Seaberg explained. Counter measures being taken by the company include "attempts to establish more equitable trade practices to soften the impact of imports on the U.S. gluten market. Additionally, lower raw material costs resulting from this year's bumper wheat crop are allowing us to compete more aggressively in the current quarter," he said.

The combined effects of competition on the company's total alcohol operation also had considerable adverse impact on fiscal 1990 earnings. "Although our beverage alcohol unit sales were down for the year compared to fiscal 1989, we did experience slight volume and price increases in the fourth quarter," Seaberg noted. The increases were accomplished, he said, despite rigid competition from producers who switched their production from the industrial to beverage alcohol areas. "Meanwhile, our fuel alcohol production was increased to offset reduced demand in the higher margin industrial category," he said, adding that this shift was accompanied by a slight rise in fuel alcohol prices over last year's average.

The company experienced a decline in flour milling in 1990 due principally

to reduced internal use of flour for gluten production. However, Seaberg said he is "optimistic about a significant turnaround in milling output," as Midwest recently obtained two sizable flour export contracts and has developed new opportunities for increased domestic sales.

Premium wheat starch production continues to grow at a steady pace, with unit sales increasing approximately 17 percent over 1989. "We are confident this trend will gain momentum," Seaberg said, "as new applications are developed and our marketing efforts increase both here and abroad."

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#90220p3392 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Vintage Petroleum Inc. (NYSE: VPI) announced today the consummation of the acquisition by Vintage from Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (NYSE: CHV) of certain oil and gas properties located in Plaquemines Parish, La., for approximately $14 million. Funding for this acquisition will be obtained from Vintage's previously announced initial public offering of 4 million common shares, which became effective on Aug. 3, 1990, and the acquisition was described in the Prospectus for that offering. Net daily production from the acquired properties averages approximately 665 Bbls of oil and 1,860 Mcf of gas. Vintage will assume the operation of those acquired properties which were previously operated by Chevron.

Vintage Petroleum Inc. is an independent energy company engaged in the acquisition, exploitation and development of oil and gas properties and the marketing of natural gas and crude oil. The company is headquartered in Tulsa, and its common shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol VPI.

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#90220p3394 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWALK, CT. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Trans-Lux Corporation (AMEX: TLX) today reported earnings of 3 cents per share for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Gross revenues for the quarter rose slightly to $5.5 million, compared to $5.3 million for the previous year. Net income for the quarter was $44,000 (3 cents per share) versus $153,000 (10 cents per share) in 1989.

For the six months, gross revenues were $9.8 million, compared to $9.7

million last year. The company had net income of $67,000 (5 cents per share) versus $233,000 (16 cents per share) for the same period in 1989.

Richard Brandt, chairman of the board, said, "Second quarter results, while an improvement over the prior quarter, continue to reflect softness in the stock and commodity brokerage display markets and the ongoing decline of our teleprinter terminal business. At the same time, our information displays are finding increased acceptance in various industrial markets, and some increased demand is evident in specialized segments of our terminal business. Results for the most recent three and six month periods from the entertainment division also represent an improvement over last year."

Trans-Lux Corporation has two operating divisions. The communications division designs, leases, sells and services large-scale LED information displays, credit terminals, facsimile equipment and teleprinters. The entertainment division operates a chain of theatres in the southwest and several other theatrical properties.

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#90220p3396 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHESDA, MD (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Realty Investment Trust (NYSE: FRT) reported today that funds from operations for the second quarter of 1990 increased 38 percent to a record $6.3 million compared to $4.6 million in the second quarter of 1989.

On a per share basis, funds from operations posted a 15 percent gain reaching a record 38 cents per share in the second quarter of 1990 compared to 33 cents per share for the same period in 1989. Contributing to this increase are positive results from intensified leasing efforts, improved performance from recently renovated and remerchandised centers, and continued growth from the trust's base portfolio. Funds from operations also increased for the six months ended June 30, 1990, rising 28 percent to a record $12.5 million (75 cents per share) compared to $9.7 million (70 cents per share) in the first half of 1989.

Federal Realty is an equity real estate investment trust which concentrates on acquiring older shopping centers in prime locations. Trust properties are located in 10 states concentrated in the mid-Atlantic region between the New York metropolitan area and Richmond, Va.

FEDERAL REALTY INVESTMENT TRUST

Financial Highlights

(Amounts in thousands, except for share data)

For the three months ended June 30,

	1990	1989	Change
Revenues	$22,733	$20,100	13 percent
Funds from operations	$ 6,307	$ 4,581	38 percent
Funds from operations per share	$ .38	$ .33	15 percent
Dividends Paid	$ .35	$ .33	6 percent
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	16,693	14,057	19 percent
Depreciation and Amortization	$ 4,572	$ 4,036	13 percent
Income Before Gain on Sale of Real Estate	$ 1,735	$ 545	218 percent
Net Income	$ 2,482	$ 7,760	(68)percent
Earnings Per Share			
Income before gain on sale of real estate	$ .10	$ .04	150 percent
Gain on sale of real estate	$ .04	$ .51	(92)percent
Earnings Per Share	$ .14	$ .55	(75)percent

	For the six months ended June 30,		
	1990	1989	Change
Revenues	$ 44,333	$ 40,793	9 percent
Funds from operations	$ 12,460	$ 9,743	28 percent
Funds from operations per share	$ .75	$ .70	7 percent
Total Assets	$556,069	$494,150	13 percent
Dividends Paid	$ .70	$ .66	6 percent
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	16,674	13,953	20 percent
Depreciation and Amortization	$ 9,124	$ 7,805	17 percent
Income Before Gain on Sale of Real Estate	$ 3,336	$ 1,938	72 percent
Net Income	$ 4,083	$ 9,153	(55)percent
Earnings Per Share Income before gain on sale of real estate	$ .20	$ .14	43 percent
Gain on sale of real estate	$ .04	$ .52	(92)percent
Earnings Per Share	$ .24	$ .66	(64)percent

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#90220p3398 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRINGTON PARK, NJ (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Hackensack Water Company filed today with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU) for a rate increase of 17.36 percent which will provide the utility with almost $17 million in additional annual revenues.

If granted, the proposed hike would raise the average residential customer's quarterly bill by $17.80. The average residential customer using approximately 22,440 gallons (3,000 cubic feet) of water per quarter would pay $86.63 for water usage compared to the current charge of $68.83.

This is the first time in five years Hackensack Water has filed for a rate boost that is not fully related to costs associated with its now completed major construction projects. The company's last "base," or general operating increase, went into effect on Jan. 1, 1986, when rates went up by 7.26 percent.

"Over the past five years, we've witnessed increases in virtually every cost associated with our utility operations. Overall operating expenses have risen by 31 percent. Some of the increases contributing to that are a 250 percent increase in costs reflecting the full operation of the Wanaque South Project; and a 66 percent increase in employee health care and benefits," said company President George M. Haskew Jr. He added that real estate taxes on utility properties have risen by 96 percent and that depreciation costs associated with plant and facilities have jumped by 127 percent.

In addition, the company expects to invest $19 million over the next 12 months in other water-related projects, such as construction of a new water-quality testing laboratory in Haworth and toward continuing the implementation of HOMER (Hands-Off Meter Reading) technology.

Under the company's proposal, rates for public and private fire protection would also rise for the first time since 1986. This 17.36 percent increase would raise the monthly rental charge to municipalities for fire hydrants from $116.16 to $136.32.

Facilities charges, which help cover the cost of water service lines, meter installation and billing, will rise for the first time since 1986 from $8.61 a quarter for an average-sized residential meter to $20.73.

"During the series of CWIP increases, only water consumption charges were raised," Haskew explained. "As a result, Hackensack has the lowest facilities charge of any major BPU-regulated water utility in the state. This increase will bring our facilities charges more in line with the related costs we incur," he said. As part of the increase, consumption charges will rise by 9.43 percent.

Hackensack Water Company, a subsidiary of United Water Resources (NYSE:

UWR) serves 750,000 people in Bergen and Hudson counties. The company operates and maintains four surface reservoirs with a capacity of almost 14 billion gallons and a complex network of 2,000 miles of water mains.

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#90220p3399 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Kerr Glass Manufacturing Corporation (NYSE:KGM) today reported net earnings of $1,121,000 (prior to preferred stock dividends) for the second quarter of 1990, compared to $2,454,000 for the second quarter of 1989.

Kerr had net earnings applicable to common stockholders (after deduction for preferred stock dividends) of $914,000, or 25 cents per common share (primary and fully diluted), for the second quarter of 1990, compared to $2,247,000 or 61 cents per common share primary and 56 cents per common share fully diluted, for the second 1989 quarter.

The company said the decrease in earnings in the second quarte of 1990, as compared to the same period in 1989, was primarily the result of lower earnings in the consumer products business. Net sales for the 1990 second quarter were $85,580,000 compared to $83,235,000 for the second quarter of the prior year. The increase in sales was attributable to an increase in sales of glass containers and plastic products.

Roger W. Norian, chairman, president and chief executive officer, stated that consumer products results declined in the second quarter of 1990, compared to the same period in 1989, due to the sale of higher cost inventory, lower sales of home canning supplies and the cost of introducing the new Kerr pie filling and pickling spices product lines.

Norian stated that the plastic products business showed substantial improvement over 1989 primarily due to significant productivity improvement. During the second quarter, the company consolidated its prescription packaging operations at its new plastic packaging facility in Jackson, Tenn. The second quarter glass container operating results were lower than a year ago.

Net loss for the first six months of 1990 (prior to preferred stock dividends) was $303,000 compared to net earnings of $2,035,000 a year ago. Net loss applicable to common stockholders in the first six months of 1990 was $717,000 or 19 cents per common share (primary and fully diluted) compared to net earnings applicable to common stockholders of $1,621,000 or 44 cents per common share (primary and fully diluted) in the first six

months of 1989.

Net sales for the first six months of 1990 were $156,551,000 compared to $150,394,000 a year ago. The increase in net sales for the six months is due to higher sales of glass containers and plastic products.

Kerr, headquartered in Los Angeles, is a major producer of glass containers, plastic products, metal crowns and home canning supplies.

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#90220p3401 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, CA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The publishing division of The Walt Disney Company (NYSE: DIS) will launch a new magazine in October called Disney Adventures, for children and pre-teens 7 to 14. It will appear monthly at check-out stands nationwide.

The 128-page, digest-sized magazine will be the first major publication for kids produced directly by Disney in the United States. A similar Disney-owned publication, Topolino, has been a success in Italy for years.

In highly readable articles and innovative graphics, Disney Adventures will present adventures and excitement relevant to kids today -- stories about real life heroes, fashion and styles, science, electronic games, sports, movies and celebrities.

The magazine will also contain comics starring characters from Disney's top-rated set of cartoon shows collectively known as "The Disney Afternoon " including "Chip 'n Dale Rescue Rangers," "DuckTales" and "TaleSpin." "The connection to 'The Disney Afternoon' is a key part of our plans for the magazine," said Michael Lynton, vice president of marketing for Disney Publications. Kids will instantly recognize the characters from our television programs. We believe the further adventures of these characters in Disney Adventures will have great appeal."

One objective of Disney Adventures will be to address parental concerns about literacy and their desire to have attractive alternatives to television.

Time Distribution Services (TDS) has been contracted to handle the distribution of Disney Adventures. The magazine will be available in racks at check-outs in supermarkets, drugstores and convenience stores, as well as bookstores and mass merchandisers. The initial circulation is expected to be 350,000. The magazine will be supported through national TV and print advertising, local TV co- promotions and sweepstakes

contests. An introductory promotion currently under way offers a previous copy of the magazine on 33 million boxes of Kellogg's Cornflakes.

The mix has been proven in the Disney Magazine Topolino. With sales of some 700,000 copies each week, Topolino is the third most popular weekly in Italy. Similar formats are being marketed throughout Europe, where sales of Disney comics and magazines exceed three million copies each week.

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#90220p3404 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARLSBAD, CA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Everlast Filtration Corp. of Carlsbad (manufacturer of oil by-pass filtration systems for cars and trucks) announces it has contracted with Power Technologies Inc. of Phoenix, Ariz. an affiliate of P.A.C.E. Setters Seminars of America Inc. thereby establishing 30,000 distributors in 23 countries. Minimum sales of $5,000,000 are anticipated for the first year from passenger cars alone.

The company further announces it is expanding the assembly facility by 13,000 sq. ft. to accommodate new business.

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#90220p3407 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share on its outstanding common shares.

The dividend is payable Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 27.

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#90220p3413 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Oil Company issued the following statement in support of President Bush's comments this morning about oil and gasoline prices:

"Amoco supports the President's call for responsible pricing in gasoline markets during this time of world crisis. Amoco's actions since the Iraqi invasion last week show the company's commitment to prudent and

responsible pricing.

"Despite the rapid general market increases in crude oil and refined product prices in the past week, Amoco has increased its own wholesale gasoline prices on average only by about 10 cents per gallon since Aug. 1. This compares with general increases of about 20 cents per gallon in the Gulf Coast and New York spot markets, which serve as the benchmark for gasoline prices in the United States.

"We understand that the market system of supply and demand and open competition in petroleum product pricing can allow for rapid price increases. We believe that in both upward and downward markets, the competitive system assures American consumers the lowest average price and most efficient system of delivery and supply of petroleum products.

"Failure to respond to wholesale trends weakens a marketer's ability to replenish product supplies that are drawn down by lower prices than the competition.

"Supply disruptions at a major company like Amoco could be far worse for consumers than temporary higher prices. The consumer is better served by a market system that reacts and distributes products efficiently.

"Amoco has been acting responsibly and reasonably throughout this period and will continue to do so. We have also encouraged our dealers and jobbers to do the same."

CONTACT: Mike Thompson, 312-856-5566, or C.T. Geary, 312-856-5388, both of Amoco.

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#90220p3417 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Chiquita Brands International, Inc. (NYSE: CQB) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.10 per share on its capital stock, payable Sept. 10, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business Aug. 22, 1990.

CONTACT: Sandra W. Heimann of Chiquita Brands International, Inc., 513-784-8011.

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#90220p3425 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Communications Workers of America today released the following:

Members of the Communications Workers of America (CWA) who work for

Western Union are demanding that Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette, the Wall Street investment firm which chairs the company's creditors committee, force management to stop ripping off the company and negotiate a fair contract with its workers.

The workers will set up a picket line and distribute leaflets in front of Donaldson's headquarters at 140 Broadway (between Cedar and Liberty) at 8:30 a.m., Friday, Aug. 10. The contract covering 2,500 members of the CWA at Western Union expired midnight, Monday, Aug. 6.

Western Union workers have made repeated concessions over the last six years to assist the company in its struggle to survive. The company faces an Aug. 14 deadline for refinancing its debt under a reorganization plan recently approved by the creditors committee. John Halisey Kennedy, a senior vice president at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette, chairs that committee. If Western Union fails to meet the deadline, it faces bankruptcy.

"The workers have sacrificed plenty over these past many years," said Nick DeSantis, president of CWA Local 1177, which represents Western Union workers in New York. "From wage cuts and pension terminations to vacation rollbacks and inferior health care plans. If the creditors committee really wants to save the company, it ought to put a stop to the ripoffs by top management and insist Western Union adopt a collective rather than confrontational approach to these negotiations."

DeSantis noted that Chairman of the Board Bennett LeBow receives $250,000 a month in fees from Western Union through Western Union's contract with LeBow's management consulting firm.

According to statements by Western Union spokesman Warren Bechtel, management has trained and housed 1,000 scabs in hotels at key work locations throughout the country. "The creditors committee should investigate the cost of training and putting up scabs in hotels and compare that to what we're asking for. The company is acting in an irresponsible manner that may trip over to a confrontation that will cost the bondholders plenty -- and the jobs of thousands of long time Western Union employees may be jeopardized," DeSantis said.

CONTACT: Bob Master, 212-344-2515 or 718-788-6639, or Harold Forman, 202-728-2407, both of the Communications Workers of America

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#90220p3426 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwest Realty, Ltd. ("SRL") (AMEX: SWL) today announced results of its operations for the first half of 1990. Net cash from operations was $278,000 in the first half of 1990 compared to a

net cash deficit from operations in the first six months of 1989 of ($707,000).

Total revenues for the first half of 1990 were $7,863,000 compared to $6,144,000 for the similar period in 1989.

SRL had a net loss of ($1,191,000) or ($.29) per common share (common depository receipt) for the six months ended June 30, 1990. Net loss for the first half of 1989 was ($2,109,000) or ($.52) per share.

SRL also announced that a preferred distribution for the fourth quarter of 1990 of 45 cents will be made about February 15, 1991. The distribution rate is 15 cents per share per month and will be made to monthly holders of record of preferred shares (preferred depository receipts) as of the first business day of October, November and December 1990.

CONTACT: John S. Schneider of Southwest Realty Ltd., 214-369-1995.

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#90220p3427 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OH (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Roadway Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROAD) announced today that the company's board of directors, in its regular quarterly meeting today, elected Daniel J. Sullivan to the board, effective immediately.

Sullivan, 44, has served as vice president and group executive of the company since July 1. He has responsibility for the national carrier group consisting of Roadway Express, the company's principal operating subsidiary, and Roadway Package System (RPS).

He previously served as president of RPS since it began operations in 1985. Under his leadership, RPS became one of the fastest growing startup companies in the United States. During the past year, RPS has made substantial contributions to Roadway Services' earnings.

Sullivan has been with the Roadway organization since 1972. The board of directors also declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.27 1/2 per share, payable November 1 to holders of record as of October 15.

CONTACT: D.A. Wilson of Roadway Services, Inc., 216-384-8184.

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#90220p3429 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S) today announced realignment of management responsibilities in its merchandise group.

Edward A. Brennan, chairman and chief executive officer of Sears, Roebuck and Co., will assume the additional responsibilities of the chief executive officer of Sears Merchandise Group.

Michael Bozic, former chairman and chief executive officer of Sears Merchandise Group, will serve as president and chief operating officer of the group, a new position, and will continue to report to Brennan. Bozic will be responsible for the group's catalog, credit, product services, logistics, international and staff functions.

Laurence E. Cudmore, president of Sears Merchandise Group's retail segment and Alfred G. Goldstein, president of the group's specialty merchandising segment, will also report to Brennan.

The chairmen of Allstate Insurance, Dean Witter Financial Services and Coldwell Banker Real Estate Groups will continue to report to Brennan.

The action was approved by the board of directors at a regularly scheduled meeting today and is effective immediately.

Brennan said, "The realignment is designed to create a highly focused management team whose skills are well-matched with the challenges currently facing the retailing industry. Our basic merchandising strategy is in place and will remain the same. While we have complete confidence in our strategy, we need to move faster and step up its implementation. We will focus our efforts on reducing costs and improving profitability while we continue to feature competitive values and aggressively roll out our power formats," Brennan said.

CONTACT: Gerald E. Buldak of Sears, Roebuck, 312-875-8371

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#90220p3430 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Trust America Service Corp. announced today that on Aug. 7, 1990 Trust America and its subsidiaries, The Florida Group, Inc.; Resource America Mortgage, Inc.; SW Mortgage, Inc.; TARI Inc. and Trust America Acquisition Corp., which are currently debtors-in-possession and in reorganization under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code, filed a lawsuit in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division, against First Union National Bank of Florida and First Union Mortgage Corporation (collectively, "First Union").

The lawsuit, which was filed by the Tampa, Fla., law firm of Rudnick & Wolfe, alleges a variety of wrongdoings by First Union including breach of contract, tortious interference with contractual relationships and

business opportunities, breach of covenant of good faith and fair dealing, breach of fiduciary duties and gross negligence. In addition to the above and in connection with those allegations, Trust America will seek to prove that the alleged wrongdoings of First Union caused (i) approximately $16 million to remain unpaid to third party originators of mortgage loans which sold such mortgage loans to The Florida Group, Inc., (ii) the Government National Mortgage Association ("GNMA") to seize and take title to mortgage loan servicing rights on GNMA mortgage-backed securities pools in the principal amount of $745 million which were owned by TARI Inc. and The Florida Group, Inc., and (iii) the Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") and the Veterans Administration ("VA") to initiate administrative proceedings to withdraw essential HUD approvals and VA authorities held by Trust America Service Corp. and certain of its subsidiaries.

Headquartered in St. Petersburg, Fla., Trust America Service Corp. is a mortgage banking company which, prior to its filing for protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, was principally engaged in the business of purchasing, packaging, and reselling one to four family residential mortgage loans which were FHA-insured, VA-guaranteed or FNMA and FHLMC eligible.

CONTACT: Harold Erwin, president of Trust America Service Corp., 813-384-0833

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#90220p3431 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The National Audubon Society announced today that it has received a grant from Fuji Photo Film U.S.A., Inc. to support a three-year, nationwide environmental program dedicated to finding "Solid Solutions for Solid Waste."

The Fuji grant will underwrite Audubon's solid waste community action project. The program, dubbed "Solid Solutions for Solid Waste," is a two-stage grassroots project aimed at helping communities formulate realistic and environmentally sound municipal solid waste management policies. The first step will be the publication of a guidebook entitled "Audubon's Community Solid Waste Management Program." The volume will outline Audubon scientists' strategies for devising and implementing a practical, cost-efficient and environmentally sound solid waste management policy.

"One of the most critical problems facing the environment is the amount of misinformation perceived to be truth," said Peter A. A. Berle, president, The National Audubon Society. "Therefore, the key goal of this program is to find practical, economical answers to the solid waste crisis that currently affects the U.S.

"Fuji's belief in and dedication to this project has been exemplary," added Berle. "The commitment displayed by the company has shown us that they will be indispensable when working to solve this country's solid waste crisis. We look forward to a productive relationship."

Arlington, Va., and Atlanta, Ga., have been chosen as pilot communities for guidebook testing and refinement. Project coordinators will work with local Audubon leaders to develop training workshops and organize citizens in each community.

By the end of the first year, Audubon will expand the program into ten communities. The communities will be chosen on the basis of recycling "need" and the presence of local Audubon personnel qualified to implement the project. Two national program coordinators will train, guide, advise and provide overall support to Audubon leaders in these areas.

"We're extremely honored to support The National Audubon Society in its efforts to improve solid waste management in the United States," said Osamu "Sam" Inoue, president, Fuji Photo Film U.S.A., Inc. "The National Audubon Society is unique among national environmental organizations in its ability to provide sound scientific evaluation of alternative solutions as well as effective community leadership. We share a common goal of finding ways to manage this country's solid waste problem. That is why Fuji is prepared to wholeheartedly support Audubon's efforts in this truly beneficial program."

To further demonstrate their commitment to improving the environment, Audubon and Fuji have published a free booklet entitled "Solid Solutions for Solid Waste." The booklet gives advice on how Americans can reduce solid waste at home, the workplace and in their community. Concerned citizens can receive the booklet by writing: Solid Solutions for Solid Waste, P.O. Box 1752, Ridgely, MD 21681.

CONTACT: Thomas H. Shay of Fuji Photo, 914-789-8145; Susan DeVico of the National Audubon Society, 212-546-9202; or Matthew Afflixio of Edelman P.R., 212-768-0550, for Fuji

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#90220p3432 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - A quarterly dividend of 22 cents per share on Common Stock was declared by the Board of Directors of Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Consolidated (NASDAQ-NMS: COKE). The dividend is payable on Sept. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record as of August 24, 1990.

The Board further declared a dividend of 13 cents per share on the Class B Common Stock also payable Sept. 10, 1990, the shareholders of record as of

August 24, 1990. Dividends on the Class B Common Stock may not exceed dividends on the Common Stock.

CONTACT: Lauren C. Steele, Vice President/Corporate Affairs, Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Consolidated, 704-551-4551

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#90220p3434 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - CF Income Partners L.P. (NYSE: CFI), formerly Cal Fed Income Partners L.P., a Los Angeles- based master limited partnership, today reported a net loss of $862,000, or $.06 per unit, for the three months ended June 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $2.0 million or $.15 per unit, for the three months ended June 30, 1989.

The decreased net loss for the second quarter of 1990, reflects the gain of $1.4 million realized by the partnership from sales activity in the resale portfolio acquired at year end.

Operating results from the partnership's investment properties for the second quarter of 1990 produced net income of $178,000 compared to a net loss of $341,000 for the same period in 1989. This improvement is primarily attributable to increased rental revenue and tenant reimbursements reflecting higher occupancy levels and reduced rental concessions.

Non-cash expenses consisting primarily of depreciation and deferred interest, which do not affect available cash flow, totaled $2.7 million in the first quarter of 1990, in comparison to $3.5 million for the same 1989 period. The decrease in non-cash expenses during 1990 is the result of the year-end debt restructuring that placed more of the partnership's debt on a current pay basis.

The second quarter of activity for the partnership's new Resale Portfolio generated $1.4 million in income before financing costs and costs to administer the Resale Portfolio. Sales activity from the real estate held for sale generated $660,000 in income for the partnership during the first three months of 1990. The investments in real estate partnerships, which are accounted for using the equity method, produced income of $703,000 for the partnership.

For the second quarter of 1990, available cash flow was $3.9 million. This amount includes $3.3 million or $.25 per unit which the partnership will distribute to unitholders of record as of July 31, 1990, payable Aug. 14, 1990. The general partner will also receive a distribution of $34,000 which represents the general partner's 1 percent share of total distributions from the partnership pursuant to the partnership agreement, and $501,000 in payment of the 1990 second quarter Performance Incentive

Fee.

CF Income Partners L.P. is a publicly traded master limited partnership which has invested in income-producing multi-family residential, commercial and industrial properties.

CONTACT: Barbara J. Pape, 213-444-3968, or Leeann Morein, 213-444-3969, both of CF Income Partners L.P.

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#90220p3435 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, CO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - NBI Inc. (NYSE: NBI) today reported a net loss from continuing operations for the fourth fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $2.6 million, representing a loss of 29 cents per common share. This compares to a net loss from continuing operations of $6.1 million, or a loss of 72 cents per common share for the like period of the previous year. For the fiscal year, the company had a net loss from continuing operations of $39 million, or a loss of $4.50 per common share. Comparable figures for the previous fiscal year showed a net loss from continuing operations of $21.7 million, or a loss of $2.60 per common share. Included in the net loss from continuing operations for the fourth fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1990 is $1.1 million of additional income tax expense resulting from a change in the estimated tax provisions for periods prior to June 30, 1988.

NBI designs and markets advanced word processing software packages. NBI has been a leader in the word processing industry for more than a decade and also provides customer service and support to a wide base of system users in domestic and international locations.

Microsoft is a registered trademark and Windows is a trademark of Microsoft Corp.

Legacy is a trademark of NBI Inc.

NBI INC.
Summary Of Financial Performance
Fourth Quarter and Fiscal Year
Condensed Statement of Operations
(Unaudited)
(Amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	Quarter Ended June 30,		Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$9,865	$18,739	$47,122	$89,158
Costs and expenses	12,947	24,799	66,324	110,835
Restructing costs	(1,632)	---	16,960	---

Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	(1,450)	(6,060)	(36,162)	(21,677)
Income tax expense	1,100	---	2,800	---
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(2,550)	(6,060)	(38,962)	(21,677)
Discontinued operations, net of tax	428	(5,513)	(3,603)	(8,527)
Net income (loss)	$(2,122)	$(11,573)	$(42,565)	$(30,204)
Income (loss) per share from continuing operations	$(.29)	$(.72)	$(4.50)	$(2.60)
Discontinued operations per share	.05	(.65)	(.41)	(1.01)
Net income (loss) per share	$(.24)	$(1.37)	$(4.91)	$(3.61)
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares	9,092	8,519	8,751	8,476

CONTACT: Jill Hoekstra of NBI Inc., 303-938-2442

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#90220p3439 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Consolidated (NASDAQ-NMS: COKE) today announced the election of David L. Kennedy of Atlanta to its Board of Directors.

Kennedy, Vice President for Business Development at The Coca-Cola Company (NYSE: KO), replaces M. Douglas Ivester who is leaving the Coca-Cola Consolidated board after being named President of Coca-Cola USA. "We have been fortunate to have Doug Ivester as a part of the Coca-Cola Consolidated Business Family and we wish him great success as he takes the helm at Coca-Cola USA," Consolidated Chairman J. Frank Harrison, Jr., said.

"We are very pleased to have someone with the broad background and experience of David Kennedy joining Coca-Cola Consolidated's Board of Directors to replace Doug. We look forward to his input and counsel as Coca-Cola Consolidated continues to grow in the dynamic and rapidly changing soft drink industry," Harrison said.

Charlotte-based Coca-Cola Consolidated is the nation's fifth largest Coca-Cola bottler whose major markets include Charlotte, Raleigh,

Greensboro and Winton-Salem in North Carolina; Roanoke, Va.; Charleston, W.Va.; Nashville, Tenn.; Mobile, Ala.; Columbus and Albany, Ga.; and Panama City, Fla..

As Vice President for Business Development for The Coca Cola Company, Kennedy is responsible for worldwide acquisitions and divestments and the restructuring of the Coca-Cola bottling system. Before assuming his present position, Kennedy served as Executive Vice President for Operations of Columbia Pictures Industries when the major motion picture company was a subsidiary of The Coca-Cola Company.

Kennedy is a certified public accountant with a BS from the University of North Alabama and an MBA from the University of California at Los Angeles. His career with The Coca-Cola Company began in 1980 after nearly a decade with the accounting firm of Ernst & Whinney.

CONTACT: Lauren C. Steele, Vice President, Corporate Affairs, Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Consolidated, 704-551-4551

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#90220p3440 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOHEMIA, N.Y. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Symbol Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: SBL), today announced the strengthening of its worldwide selling channels with the signing of a strategic alliance with Andersen Consulting, headquartered in Chicago.

Andersen Consulting, an expert in systems integration with more than 18,000 professionals worldwide, will combine efforts with Symbol to provide bar code based system solutions, utilizing Symbol's broad range of bar code reading equipment portable data terminals and radio frequency products.

The initial focus of the Andersen Consulting relationship will be in implementing Quick Response support systems utilizing both Andersen Consulting's and Symbol's products and services. Quick Response is a partnership philosophy among U.S. retailers and their suppliers to effectively meet customer requirements utilizing the latest in technology tools.

Andersen Consulting and Symbol already have mutual customers across the entire retail spectrum and, with the agreement, now offer a full range of Quick Response services.

Other areas of joint marketing efforts will be explored in warehousing, wholesale distribution utilities, telecommunications, insurance and health care.

Under the agreement Andersen Consulting and Symbol will make joint sales calls, exchange sales leads, develop joint marketing programs, share existing information and cross-train each other on products.

"The primary motivation for our agreement is the synergy between Andersen Consulting's systems integration capabilities and Symbol's complete line. We complement each other by offering a complete package of data capture building blocks leading to a fully integrated system.

Symbol Technologies is the world leader in bar code based data capture systems with over one million scanners and terminals installed. The company designs, manufactures and markets bar code reading equipment, portable data terminals and radio frequency data communications products which are used as strategic building blocks in data collection systems for retail, military, manufacturing, distribution, health care and many other applications.

CONTACT: Michael G. Archambault of Symbol Technologies, 516-244-4632

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#90220p3441 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced a change in the posted prices it will pay for crude oil from California and Alaska fields. Postings are increased by varying amounts.

The change was effective today, August 8 at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

for 35 API -- Cook Inlet -- $20.65 26 API -- Buena Vista -- $19.65
19 API -- Huntington Beach -- $18.05 13 API -- Kern River -- $16.00
27 API -- Long Beach -- $20.15 13 API -- Midway Sunset -- $16.00
17 API -- Wilmington -- $17.50

The gravity adjustment scale is as follows:
Above 40.0 deg. -- $0.000 per tenth degree API
34.0 to 40.0 -- $0.010 per tenth degree API
Below 34.0 -- $0.025 per tenth degree API

New prices for all fields are reflected in Chevron's California and Alaska Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-CA26. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACTS: Sherri Zippay, 415-894-4581, or Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440, both of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

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#90220p3443 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
ENGLEWOOD, CO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Alan M. Angelich has been named chief executive officer of Jones Capital Markets Inc., a wholly- owned subsidiary of Jones International Ltd.

Jones Capital Markets Inc. develops institutional financial involvement in various corporate projects.

In his new position, Angelich will be responsible for institutional financing for the Jones International complex of companies.

Prior to this promotion, Angelich served in a number of key positions with Jones Intercable Inc. (NASDAQ: JOIN). Most recently, he served as chief financial officer of Jones Intercable and group managing director/finance of Jones International. He will remain in his position as vice chairman of the board of directors of Jones Intercable and a member of the executive committee of the board.

At this time, many of Angelich's current duties with Jones Intercable will be assumed by Vice President/Treasurer Kevin P. Coyle and Vice President/Taxation Timothy J. Burke. Both will report to the president of Jones Intercable, James B. O'Brien.

In announcing Angelich's promotion, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Jones International Glenn R. Jones said, "With this key appointment, we are strengthening the financial management capability of our various corporations. We need to take advantage of Mr. Angelich's financial skill and knowledge in all of our operations."

Prior to joining Jones Intercable in 1982, Angelich was with Arthur Andersen & Co., certified public accountants. He received a bachelor of arts degree in accounting from the University of Illinois and a master's degree in business administration from DePaul University.

CONTACT: Nancy Reed Long of Jones International, 303-792-3111

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#90220p3447 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOGOTA, N.J. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Del-Val Financial Corporation (NYSE: DVL) today declared a dividend of 16 cents per share payable on Sept. 4, 1990 and Oct. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record on Aug. 28, 1990 and Sept. 24, 1990, respectively.

Del-Val also announced 1990 second quarter net income of $2,934,000 (49 cents per share) on operating revenues of $6,470,000, compared to 1989 second quarter net income of $1,817,000 (47 cents per share) on operating revenues of $5,087,000.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net income was $5,618,000 (96 cents per share) on operating revenues of $12,526,000, compared to year earlier levels of $3,702,000 (95 cents per share) and $9,936,000, respectively.

The second quarter increases in net income (61 percent) and operating revenues (27 percent), in large part, reflect the results of the company's successful public offerings of its common stock in May 1990 (1,200,000 shares) and in August 1989 (1,802,000 shares).

Average shares outstanding for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 were 6,011,571 and 3,909,571, respectively.

DEL-VAL FINANCIAL CORPORATION
Second Quarter Earnings
($000s omitted except share amounts)

Periods ended	Quarter		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$6,470	$5,087	$12,526	$9,936
Net income	2,934	1,817	5,618	3,702
Net income per share	$.49	$.47	$.96	$.95
Average shares outstanding	6,011,571	3,909,571	5,883,000	3,909,571

CONTACT: Francine Barbaro of Del-Val Financial, 212-421-6400

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#90220p3454 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Spelling Entertainment Inc. (AMEX: SP) a leading entertainment production and distribution company, announced today that it is no longer exploring a possible sale of the company.

The company indicated that although it received some interest in acquiring the company, the interest is not at a level management believes reflects the values of the company and its future prospects in both distribution and production.

The company specifically cited its distribution of "Twin Peaks," the highly successful and acclaimed television program recently nominated for 14 Emmy awards, which has been renewed for the fall season. This program is distributed worldwide by the company's Worldvision Enterprises, Inc., subsidiary and is achieving record international sales levels. In addition, Fox Television Network has ordered 13 episodes of "American Chronicles," also distributed by Worldvision.

As previously announced, Torand Productions, a wholly owned subsidiary of

Spelling Entertainment Inc., is involved in the production of a one-hour dramatic series scheduled this fall entitled "Class of Beverly Hills" for the Fox Television Network. Production has been completed on "Jailbirds " a two-hour television movie for CBS, starring Phylicia Rashad and Dyan Cannon. Also, Laurel Entertainment, a wholly owned subsidiary of Spelling Entertainment Inc., is in production on 24 additional half-hour episodes of "Monsters," its current first-run syndication series, bringing the total to 72 half-hours for distribution. Spelling Entertainment is also co-producing and will distribute "Wake, Rattle and Roll," a half-hour five-times-weekly program for children, in association with Hanna-Barbera Productions. In addition, the company continues to experience strong international revenues from its library of more than 11,000 hours of programming.

Spelling Entertainment Inc. is primarily engaged in the development, production and distribution of television series, television series pilots movies for television, and television mini-series. The company also produces feature films financed and distributed primarily by major studios and licenses music and merchandising rights associated with its television properties.

CONTACT: John T. Brady, chief financial officer of Spelling Entertainment, 213-965-5822; or Jim Goldman, 212-661-8030, or Donna Limper 312-266-7800, both of the Financial Relations Board, for Spelling Entertainment

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#90220p3459 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWOOD, MA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Analog Devices, Inc. (NYSE: ADI) today announced that it has acquired Precision Monolithics Inc. from Bourns Inc. for $60.5 million in cash plus warrants to purchase one million shares of Analog Devices common stock at $12 per share.

In making the announcement, Ray Stata, president and chairman of the board of Analog Devices, said, "The acquisition of PMI strengthens Analog Devices' leadership position in high-performance analog and mixed-signal integrated circuits and makes ADI the world's second-largest nonconsumer analog IC supplier. With PMI we now have the people and resources to become the world leader in this market, and that is our goal.

"Already we have several major thrusts to expand into new segments of the analog IC market," he continued, "including computer peripherals and telecommunications equipment. A reallocation of resources in the combined companies will allow us to fund these new initiatives while expanding market share in our traditional markets."

Alan King, former president of PMI, has been named vice president and

general manager of the PMI division of Analog Devices, reporting to Jerry Fishman, executive vice president of Analog Devices. PMI's sales organization will be combined with Analog Devices', which reports to Doug Newman, Analog's vice president of sales and marketing.

The acquisition was financed with a combination of approximately $35 million in cash and $25 million in additional bank debt. "Even with the additional bank debt," Stata pointed out, "our debt-to-equity ratio is still less than 15 percent."

Stata said that Analog expects to have acquisition-related charges of $12 to $15 million applied against earnings for the fourth fiscal quarter that will end November 3rd. "These expenses," he explained, "will result from anticipated restructuring expenses and other nonrecurring operating costs.

"We expect the restructuring phase to be largely completed within six months," he continued, "by which time we are confident that the acquisition will be earning an attractive return on investment. The effect of the acquisition-- barring an unforeseen drop in revenues--should be antidilutive even during the restructuring phase except for the acquisition-related charge."

Stata estimated third quarter sales at $120 million, which adjusted for 13 weeks would have been about $112 million vs. the $116.4 million reported for the prior quarter and $113.3 million for the third quarter last year. Analog plans to announce its third quarter results on August 22nd.

The combined sales of Analog Devices and PMI are currently running at an annual rate of approximately $540 million. Analog Devices is a leading manufacturer of precision high-performance integrated circuits used in analog and digital signal processing applications. The company also manufactures board-level products used in computerized data acquisition and measurement and control applications. The company employs approximately 5,900 people worldwide, and has manufacturing facilities in Massachusetts; Greensboro, N.C.; Santa Clara, Calif.; Ireland; the Philippines and Japan.

CONTACT: James O. Fishbeck, director of corporate communications of Analog Devices, (617) 461-3282

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NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Henry A. McKinnell, Ph.D., vice president-finance, Pfizer Inc (NYSE: PFE), announced today that Myron Kornbluh will be appointed vice president-taxes and will be nominated for election as a corporate officer. Kornbluh will succeed Philmore H. Friedman, who will retire Oct. 1 after 26 years with Pfizer.

Kornbluh joined Pfizer in 1968 as a tax attorney with Pfizer International. He subsequently held several positions in the corporate tax division, including tax manager, director of domestic tax planning and director of tax administration. He holds a B.B.A. in accounting from City College of New York and a law degree from Brooklyn Law School.

CONTACT: A.A. Biesada, 212-573-2055, or Rick Honey, 212-573-2051, both of Pfizer

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#90220p3465 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

COATESVILLE, PA. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Maurice "Gus" Gustin, 41, has been named to the specially created position of manager, Export Sales, for Lukens Steel Co., the largest subsidiary of Lukens Inc. (NYSE: LUC).

Gustin will assume his new responsibilities Sept. 1. According to Lukens Steel Co. President and Chief Operating Officer A. W. Eastburn, changing world economic conditions, especially in Europe, indicate the potential for competitive opportunities for Lukens Steel. Gustin will be responsible for evaluating Lukens' potential for participation in the international plate steel market.

Gustin, a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, joined Lukens' sales organization in 1976. Following several advancements, he was named general manager of sales -- and later vice president and general manager -- of Canadian Lukens Limited, Toronto, a former subsidiary of Lukens Steel Co. Prior to his latest assignment, he served as manager of purchasing since 1988.

Lukens Steel Co. is one of the nation's leading plate steel producers.

CONTACT: Charles H. Hossack of Lukens, 215-383-2504

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#90220p3466 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) said today its jet fuel costs are continuing the strong upward spiral that began last week with the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, rising 10 cents per gallon since July 31.

On an annual basis, such an increase in the price of fuel represents an increase to Delta of more than $200 million in operating expenses.

"We have taken every step possible to ensure that fuel is being purchased and utilized in the most efficient way possible," said Whit Hawkins,

Delta's senior vice president - marketing. "For example, our fleet, with an average age of only 8.6 years, is the youngest and most fuel efficient among the nation's eight largest airlines."

Fuel is Delta's second-largest operating expense, and all of the airline's fuel suppliers have announced price increases. "Given the uncertainty surrounding the impact of these fuel increases, travelers who can confirm their plans might be well advised to make their reservations and purchase tickets now," Hawkins said. "Bargain fares are still plentiful, but price increases are likely as the cost of fuel escalates."

Delta, a major world airline, serves 177 cities and offers more than 2,400 flights each day.

CONTACT: Delta public relations, 404-765-2533.

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#90220p3467 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Blackstone Income Trust Inc. (NYSE: BKT) today issued the following August monthly update:

Distribution Information:

Amount	Payable Date	Record Date	Declaration Date
$0.0875	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 15, 1990	Aug. 1, 1990

Portfolio Databank (As of July 31, 1990):

Portfolio Composition	Current percentage
Mortgage Pass-throughs	48 percent
Multiple class mortgage pass-throughs	12 percent
Stripped mortgage-backed securities	10 percent
CMO residuals	23 percent
U.S. treasury & high quality money market securities	7 percent

Performance Update

	July 31	June 29	May 31
NAV	$8.41	$8.28	$8.23
Stock price	$8.25	$8.25	$8.25

	On initial offering price ($10.00)	On July 31 stock price ($8.25)
Annualized distribution rate	10.50 percent	12.73 percent
Annualized bond equivalent distribution rate	10.73 percent	13.07 percent

General Overview

The Blackstone Income Trust Inc. is a closed-end fund whose primary objective is to generate high monthly income using high quality mortgage securities. The trust is advised by Blackstone Financial Management L.P., a registered investment adviser based in New York. Additional information on the trust's assets and performance is contained in the semi-annual report for the period ended April 30, 1990. For further information on the trust, call 212-214-3334.

CONTACT: Steve Fisher, 212-214-3334, for Blackstone Income Trust

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#90220p3469 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEREA, OH (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Bolstered by increased new certificates and fewer lapses, Central Reserve Life Corp. (NASDAQ: CRLC) today reported strong gains in both premium revenues and net income for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Fred Lick Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, said the company's performance was also advanced by a 3 percent decline in claims loss ratio, to 68 percent of premiums from 71 percent at the end of the first quarter.

"We appear well on our way to exceeding last year's record pace of $100 million in premiums," Lick said. "Not only are we selling more policies and retaining more of our existing customers, we are also exercising better control over our expenses, which we hope will enable us to improve upon last year's overall profitability as well."

For the second quarter, net income was $842,167 or 20 cents per share, up substantially from $75,975 or 2 cents per share in the prior year, when the provider of accident and health insurance for small business groups was impacted by an inordinate number of large-scale claims.

Total revenues were up 30 percent, to $35,653,880 from $27,359,570 in the year-ago period. Premiums were $34,478,484, compared to $26,298,118, while investment income was $1,162,301, 11 percent higher than the $1,044,730 reported last year.

For the six months, net income was $1,069,806 or 26 cents per share, on total revenues of $69,537,048, with premiums of $66,967,603 and investment income of $2,219,465.

Last year, Central Reserve had mid-year net income of $634,125 or 15 cents per share on total revenues of $53,572,926, premium income of $51,513,337 and investment income of $2,055,332.

Lick said 80,141 certificates were in force at June 30, reflecting an 18

percent net gain for the six-month period. A total of 21,842 new certificates were issued in the period, compared with 11,798 in 1989, while policy lapses fell almost 7 percent, to 9,646 from 10,403 in the year earlier.

Central Reserve's shareholders' equity at June 30 was $19.6 million, or $4.99 per share, and the company's $45 million investment portfolio was composed primarily of investment grade quality bonds, Lick added.

Central Reserve Life is a leading insurer of preferred risk accident and health insurance, specializing in groups of less than 25 employees. Based in Berea, Ohio, the company currently concentrates its activities in 14 of the 35 states in which it is admitted to sell insurance. Common stock is traded over the counter under the NASDAQ National Market Market System symbol CRLC.

CENTRAL RESERVE LIFE CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENT OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

	3 MONTHS ENDED 6-30		6 MONTHS ENDED 6-30	
REVENUES:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Premiums	$34,478,484	$26,298,118	$66,967,603	$51,513,337
Investment income	1,162,301	1,044,730	2,219,465	2,055,332
Gain (loss) on sales of investments	5,856	9,273	336,800	(6,046)
Other income	7,239	7,449	13,180	10,303
TOTAL	$35,653,880	$27,359,570	$69,537,048	$53,572,926
BENEFITS, LOSSES & EXPENSES: Benefits, claims, losses & settlement expenses	23,856,168	18,317,965	46,674,305	35,356,763
Commissions	5,140,698	3,818,568	10,017,107	7,521,705
Other operating expenses	5,916,847	5,118,583	11,575,830	9,935,333
TOTAL	$34,643,713	$27,255,116	$68,267,242	$52,813,801
Net income before fed. inc. taxes	1,010,167	85,958	1,269,806	759,125
Federal inc. taxes	168,000	10,000	200,000	125,000
NET INCOME	$ 842,167	$ 75,958	$ 1,069,806	$ 634,125
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,048,951	4,120,445	4,070,469	4,106,334
EARNINGS PER SHARE				
Before fed. inc. taxes	$0.25	$0.02	$0.31	$0.18
Fed. inc. taxes	0.05	0.00	0.05	0.03
NET INCOME	$0.20	$0.02	$0.26	$0.15

CONTACT: Fred Lick Jr., chairman and CEO of Central Reserve Life, 216-826-4100; or Ron Millman of The Financial Relations Board, 312-266-7800; or 212-661-8030, for Central Reserve Life.

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#90220p3472 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Blackstone Advantage Term Trust Inc. (NYSE: BAT) today issued the following August monthly update:

Distribution Information:

Amount	Payable Date	Record Date	Declaration Date
$0.0813	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 15, 1990	Aug. 1, 1990

Portfolio Databank (As of July 31, 1990):

Portfolio Composition	Current Percentage
Mortgage Pass-Throughs	50 percent
CMO Residuals	18 percent
Zero Coupon Bonds	19 percent
U.S. Treasury and high quality money market securities	13 percent

Performance Update

	July 31	June 29	May 31
NAV	$9.74	$ 9.66	$9.56
Stock Price	$9.88	$10.13	$9.88

	On initial offering price ($10.00)	On July 31 Stock price ($9.88)
Annualized distribution rate	9.75 percent	9.88 percent
Annualized bond equivalent dist. rate	9.95 percent	10.09 percent

General Overview

The Blackstone Advantage Term Trust Inc. is a closed-end fund whose primary objective is to generate high monthly income using high quality mortgage securities and return $10 per share to investors on or shortly before Dec. 31, 2005. The trust is rated AAAf by Standard & Poor's Corporation. The trust is advised by Blackstone Financial Management L.P. a registered investment adviser based in New York. Additional information on the trust's assets and performance will be available later this month in the semi-annual report for the period ended June 30, 1990. For further information on the trust, call 212-214-3334.

CONTACT: Steve Fisher, 212-214-3334, for Blackstone Advantage Term Trust

-30- 2000

#90220p3473 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRAINTREE, MASS. (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Mike Grossman, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ: GROS) said today that in response to the consent solicitation proposal made by Hawaii-based real estate investor Jay H. Shidler and another real estate investor named Robert W. Holman, Jr., the directors of Grossman's unanimously oppose Shidler/Holman's efforts to take control of the

company's board. The company urged Grossman's stockholders not to take action until Grossman's sends to stockholders a complete response to the Shidler/Holman solicitation materials, including important information about Shidler, Holman and their nominees.

"Over the last few years, Grossman's has vigorously sought to restore the company's financial strength," Grossman said. "In three and one-half years, from December 31, 1986 to June 30, 1990, Grossman's has reduced its total debt from $226 million to $86 million and improved its debt-to-equity ratio dramatically from over 9:1 to less than 1:1. In addition, Grossman's stockholders' equity has increased 252 percent from $1.26 per share to $4.44 per share as of June 30, 1990."

Thomas R. Schwarz, president and chief operating officer of Grossman's said, "We believe that our program for the future is the right strategy. Beginning in May 1990, we initiated an aggressive remodeling and merchandising program in our Eastern Division to appeal to a broader customer base. We believe that this program will have a positive effect on the company's long term growth and competitive position. The program contributed to improved sales in the second quarter, with June sales registering a 6 percent increase on a comparable store basis over last June's sales, despite the continuing decline in the new housing market."

Grossman's, a major retailer of lumber and building materials, operates 156 stores in nine Northeastern states and California.

CONTACT: Stanley Berman of Grossman's, 617-848-0100, ext. 2350

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#90220p3474 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Comair Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: COMR), the parent corporation of Comair, Inc., the Cincinnati and Orlando based "Delta Connection" carrier, reported that passenger boardings for July 1990 were up 20.5 percent to 155,371. RPMs increased 33.1 percent while ASMs increased 61.5 percent.

	JULY		
	1990	1989	Percent Change
ASMs (000)	78,089	48,352	61.5
RPMs (000)	32,212	24,203	33.1
LOAD FACTOR	41.3 pct	50.1 pct	(17.6)
PASSENGERS	155,371	128,893	20.5
	Fiscal YTD		
	1991	1990	Percent Change
ASMs (000)	303,109	202,149	49.9
RPMs (000)	130,074	98,708	31.8
LOAD FACTOR	42.9 pct	48.8 pct	(12.1)

PASSENGERS	632,049	523,306	20.8

	Calendar YTD		
	1990	1989	Percent Change
ASMs (000)	503,075	342,386	46.9
RPMs (000)	214,724	158,211	35.7
LOAD FACTOR	42.7 pct	46.2 pct	(7.6)
PASSENGERS	1,061,705	847,171	25.3

CONTACT: Gloria M. Weber of Comair, Inc., 606-525-2550.

-30- 1599

#90220p3483 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - NACCO Industries, Inc. (NYSE: NC) announced that the board of directors today declared a cash dividend of 15 cents per share. The dividend is payable on both the Class A and Class B Common Stock, and will be payable Sept. 14, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: John R. Cook, senior vice president, finance and administration and chief financial officer of NACCO, 216-752-1000

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#90220p3484 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Asia Pacific Fund Inc. (NYSE: APB) today issued the following August monthly review:

July was a good month for the fund with the NAV rising by 6.4 percent. This was a result of good performance in Thailand and Hong Kong. Shortly after the month-end, Iraq invaded Kuwait. The impact of this has been a fall of approximately 10 percent in most of the Asia Pacific markets. The implications of a higher oil price and slower OECD growth are likely to impact the economies of the region. Inflation is likely to rise by 0.5 percent to 1.5 percent with the oil price at $25. Malaysia, a net oil exporter, is likely to benefit to the tune of $300 million per annum for each $1 US increase in oil prices. Slower growth in the OECD economies will, in the short term, impact export growth from the Asia Pacific countries. However, these economies remain amongst the most cost competitive in the world and, as the world adjusts to higher oil prices, the S.E. Asian economies will remain at the front of competitiveness. The markets have already discounted much of the new environment. As emotion in the market overtakes rational valuation, the managers intend to take advantage of these inefficiencies.

The Asia Pacific Fund, Inc. is a closed-end management investment company whose investment objective is long-term capital appreciation through investment primarily in equity securities of companies in Hong Kong, Korea

Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, and Thailand. The fund's investment manager is Baring International Investment (Far East) Limited. Additional information on the fund's assets and performance is contained in the annual report for the year ended March 31, 1990. For further information on the fund, call 212-214-3334.

CONTACT: Steve Fisher, 212-214-3334, for the Asia Pacific Fund

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#90220p3487 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Scripps Howard Broadcasting Company (NASDAQ: SCRP), an 80-percent owned subsidiary of The E.W. Scripps Company (NASDAQ: EWSCA), today signed a definitive agreement to purchase television station WMAR, Baltimore, from Gillett Group, Inc.

Scripps Howard Broadcasting announced July 19 that it had agreed to acquire the station from Gillett Group, Inc. for $154.7 million.

The parties expect to complete the transaction before the end of this year subject to certain regulatory approvals.

Scripps Howard Broadcasting currently operates nine television stations: ABC affiliates WXYZ in Detroit and WEWS in Cleveland; CBS affiliate WCPO in Cincinati; and NBC affiliates WMC in Memphis, WPTV in West Palm Beach, and KJRH in Tulsa. The company has three Fox affiliates: WFTS in Tampa, KNXV in Phoenix, and KSHB in Kansas City, Scripps Howard Broadcasting operates radio stations WBSB-FM, Baltimore, KUPL-AM/FM, Portland, and WMC-AM and WMC-FM in Memphis.

In addition to its broadcasting group, The E.W. Scripps Company also operates 19 daily newspapers and cable television systems with 576,000 basic subscribers, including 237,000 subscribers in systems owned through Scripps Howard Broadcasting. The E.W. Scripps Company is also a worldwide syndicator and licensor of news features and comics including "Peanuts" and "Garfield."

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#90220p3493 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, AZ (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntellect Inc. (NASDAQ: SYNL) announced today that it has signed a letter of intent to acquire Dytel Corp., a manufacturer of call processing and voice messaging systems. The letter of intent contemplates that Dytel shareholders would receive $12.1 million in Syntellect restricted common stock based upon the market value

of such stock prior to closing, with no more than 650,000 nor less than 450,000 shares to be issued in the transaction. It is expected that the proposed transaction would close on or about Dec. 31, 1990. The letter of intent further contemplates the signing of a mutual distribution agreement by the two companies within the next 30 days.

"We are witnessing a revolution in which voice information systems will become pervasive in businesses worldwide," said Dr. S. Thomas Emerson, president and CEO of Syntellect. "Our combination with Dytel will allow us to provide our customers with products that can have a tremendous impact on their efficiency, productivity and profitability. Dytel and Syntellect share the view that there is an emerging opportunity for advanced voice processing systems which are feature-rich and easy to implement. The combined Syntellect and Dytel technologies will put us at the forefront of this voice information revolution. The experienced staffs of voice processing professionals at Syntellect and Dytel are joining hands to make this vision a reality in the marketplace.

"Dytel is a unique company," Emerson continued. "It was the first company to introduce Automated Attendant(TM) systems, and their technology is innovative and robust." Sanford J. Morganstein, president and founder of Dytel, said, "The technologies of the two companies will facilitate the merger of three important aspects of this industry by adding Dytel's expertise in voice messaging, voice mail and auto attendant systems to Syntellect's expertise in interactive voice response. Dytel's broad patent position in the voice processing industry yields significant royalty revenue and will allow Syntellect to move freely into additional arenas of voice processing technology. Dytel's strong and loyal distributor network will further the market penetration of the combined company's products."

"The merger brings together two companies with complementary strengths in market coverage, products, distribution and compatible hardware and software technology," said Jose Reines, chairman and CEO of Dytel. "This synergy should enhance the value for shareholders of both companies."

Syntellect Inc. develops, markets and supports a family of interactive voice response (IVR) systems, and is the leading supplier of these systems worldwide. Syntellect sells its products primarily through a direct sales force and has an OEM relationship with IBM (NYSE: IBM), which markets and sells private-label versions of the company's products on a worldwide basis. The company's technology allows individuals to use a touch-tone telephone to access information in, or services controlled by, host computer networks. Syntellect was founded in 1984 and is headquartered in Phoenix.

Dytel Corp., headquartered in Schaumberg, Ill., manufactures and sells advanced call processing systems through an extensive nationwide dealer

network. Call processing systems connect to the public switched networks and automatically answer incoming telephone calls and use touch-tone signals to route calls to the desired location. Voice messaging and voice mail capabilities are also provided as needed and desired by customers of these systems. Since its founding in 1982, Dytel has sold approximately 4,000 systems which currently answer more than 80 million telephone calls per month.

The proposed acquisition is subject to the completion and execution of definitive agreements and approval thereof by the Board of Directors of each company and the stockholders of Dytel; to certain investigations by each party; and to the satisfaction of several conditions, including required approvals and consents.

CONTACT: Philip Chapman, CFO, or Evon Theis, both of Syntellect Inc., 602-789-2800

-30- 4399

#90220p3499 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Carnival Cruise Lines, Inc. (AMEX: CCL) announced that on July 10, 1990, its board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of $0.12 per share for the third quarter ending Aug. 31 1990, payable Sept. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record Aug. 31, 1990.

Carnival is the world's largest cruise line based on the number of passengers carried. Together with its subsidiaries Holland America Line and Windstar Sail Cruises, Carnival currently operates 15 ships in Alaska, the Caribbean, the South Pacific and the Mediterranean. The company also operates Carnival's Crystal Palace Resort & Casino, a 1,550-room hotel and casino complex in Nassau, Bahamas. The Fantasy, Carnival's new 2,600-passenger ship, began service on March 2, 1990. Carnival has a second 2,600-passenger vessel under construction, scheduled for delivery in April 1991. Negotiations are underway for construction of a third 2,600-passenger vessel for the Carnival fleet. Carnival also recently contracted to construct three more ships for Holland America Line which are scheduled for delivery in late 1992, 1993 and 1994.

CONTACT: Tim Gallagher of Carnival Cruise Lines, Inc., 305-599-2600, ext. 776

-30- 1406

#90220p3500 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The law firm of Holstein, Mack & Klein today released the following:

Eli Lilly and its subsidiary, Dista Products Co., were named today in a

federal lawsuit involving Lilly's antidepressant, Prozac.

The complaint, brought in the Northern District of Illinois by the Chicago law firm of Holstein, Mack & Klein, charges that Eli Lilly falsely represented Prozac's general safety and side effects.

According to the complaint, Prozac, approved by the Food and Drug Administration in 1987, has been presented to the medical profession and to the general public as an almost side-effect free alternative to earlier tricyclic antidepressants.

Shortly after plaintiff Ralph Langer began taking Prozac, he attempted suicide. Langer, although being treated for depression, never before expressed suicidal thoughts or engaged in self-destructive acts.

After taking Prozac, the plaintiff was hospitalized and diagnosed as a high-risk, potentially suicidal patient.

The suit alleges that Lilly has not provided accurate warnings to consumers and physicians concerning Prozac's ability to increase and create aggression and hostility towards oneself or others.

Holstein, Mack & Klein is a Chicago-based law firm which specializes in complex civil litigation.

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-30- 1549

#90220p3503 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Trading on the Vancouver Stock Exchange in July was up sharply from the same month in 1989. Year-to-date activity, especially trading value, was also up significantly.

Value for the month, at $462 million, was more than double the July 1989 value, but was down from the 1990 record monthly value set in June. Year-to-date value was $2.7 billion, an increase of 50 percent from the same period in 1989.

July 1990 volume was 404 million shares, an increase of 55 percent over July 1989's volume of 261 million shares, but a 13 percent decrease from the previous month's volume. Year-to-date volume at 2.6 billion shares was up 25 percent over the same period last year.

The senior sections (Commercial/Industrial and Resource) accounted for 15 percent of VSE volume and 43 percent of the value in July.

The VSE Composite Index closed the month at 776.71, a slight decrease from last month but up 10 percent from a year ago. At the end of July the market capitalization of the 1,634 stocks included in the Composite Index was $4.7 billion.

July financings by VSE listed companies totalled $46 million, down 4 percent from the previous month but up 16 percent from the same period last year.

Of the 2,390 issues listed on the VSE at month-end, 149 posted new highs and 277 posted new lows. The most active issues by volume in July included Eurus Resource, Wise Boy Resources, Aigner Holdings, Avondale Resources and Barkhor Resources -- all from the Venture section.

Vancouver accounted for 44 percent of Canadian trading volume in July, thus continuing a trend started in June 1990. The VSE's share of Canadian value, at 8 percent, was up sharply from the previous year's value of 3 percent. The average price per share was $1.14, up sharply from the July 1989 level of 85 cents, but down slightly from the previous month's 1990 record level of $1.22.

LISTINGS During the month of July, 10 new companies were posted and called for trading on the Vancouver Stock Exchange consisting of seven natural resource based companies and one each in the fields of finance, software and waste disposal.

Eight companies hold interests outside of British Columbia, two in Ontario and one each in Washington State, Nevada, North Carolina, Quebec, Newfoundland and the Yukon.

July's 10 new listings compared to eight last month and 23 in July 1989. The number of companies delisted in July was 14 compared to 35 last year.

During July one company was upgraded to the Resource section bringing the total number of companies in the Resource and Commercial/Industrial sections to 371.

CONTACT: Dave Laundy of the Vancouver Stock Exchange, 604-689-3334

-30- 2924

#90220p3504 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Blackstone Target Term Trust Inc. (NYSE: BTT) today issued the following August monthly update:

Distribution Information:

Amount	Payable Date	Record Date	Declaration Date
$0.0792	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 15, 1990	Aug. 1, 1990

Portfolio Databank (As of 7/31/90):

Portfolio Composition	Current Percent
Mortgage Pass-Throughs	32
Multiple Class Mortgage Pass-Throughs	3
Stripped Mortgage-Backed Securities	6
CMO Residuals	24
Zero Coupon Bonds	31
U.S. Treasury & High Quality Money Market Securities	4

Performance Update

	July 31	June 29	May 31
NAV	$9.28	$9.23	$9.18
Stock Price	$10.00	$9.88	$9.75

	On Initial Offering Price ($10.00)	On July 31 Stock Price ($10.00)
Annualized Distribution Rate	9.50 pct.	9.50 pct.
Annualized Bond Equivalent Distribution Rate	9.69 pct.	9.69 pct.

General Overview

The Blackstone Target Term Trust Inc. is a closed-end fund whose primary objective is to generate high monthly income using high quality mortgage securities and return $10 per share to investors on Dec. 31, 2000. The trust is rate AAAf by Standard and Poor's Corporation. The trust is advised by Blackstone Financial Management L.P., a registered investment adviser based in New York. Additional information on the trust's assets and performance is contained in the semi-annual report for the period ended April 30, 1990. For further information on the trust, call 212-214-3334.

CONTACT: Steve Fisher of Prudential-Bache, 212-214-3334, for the Blackstone Target Term Trust

-30- 2184

#90220p3508 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, WA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Pacific Telecom Cable Inc. (PTC) owner of the U.S. end of the 1,260 Mbit/s fiber optic North Pacific Cable (NPC) that will provide the first direct link between the United States and Japan, reports that the project is on schedule toward its December activation date as three cableships proceed with deployment in the Pacific.

The NPC project will also provide the first fiber optic connection between Alaska and the contiguous 48 states through an underwater branching unit located some 700 miles south of its Seward landing station. NPC's main landing stations are at Pacific City, Ore., and Miura, Kanagawa, Japan.

According to David Walker, PTC's vice president, engineering and

operations, cable for the Alaskan Spur is being placed by the Kuroshio Maru, while that portion from Pacific City to the splice point 500 miles west of the branching unit is being placed by the DSV Northern Installer. Both sections use cable manufactured by Ocean Cable Co. and NEC of Japan. The western part of the cable stretching 3,550 miles from Japan to the splice point is being placed by the CS Cable Venture using product manufactured by STC in the United States and United Kingdom.

Capable of carrying more than 85,000 simultaneous telephone calls, the North Pacific Cable is a project of Pacific Telecom Cable Inc. of the United States, Cable and Wireless plc of the United Kingdom and International Digital Communications Inc. of Japan. More than 50 percent of NPC's capacity has been subscribed to by international service carriers.

Pacific Telecom Cable Inc. is an 80-percent owned subsidiary of Pacific Telecom Inc. (NASDAQ: PTCM) of Vancouver, Wash.

CONTACT: Stephen E. Lovas of Pacific Telecom Cable, 206-690-4878.

-30- 1956

#90220p3520 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TRAVERSE CITY, MI (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - ASC Incorporated and Modern Engineering, a division of CDI Transportation Group, today announced a joint venture that will eventually include mini plant assembly for specialty vehicle programs.

The joint venture matches a world leader in the design and manufacturing of specialty vehicles (ASC) and the world's largest full- service, independent automotive engineering service firm (Modern Engineering). The joint venture will operate under the name of Aeromotive Systems Company. Aeromotive Systems Company is currently a division of ASC, headquartered in Troy, Mich. Under the new agreement, the assets of Aeromotive Systems Company will be divided equally between ASC and Modern Engineering.

According to ASC Chairman Heinz C. Prechter and Modern Engineering President Ralph L. Miller, the initial intent of the joint venture will be to provide added horsepower for design, engineering, modeling, prototyping and development services to meet growing manufacturers' needs in the specialty vehicles market.

ASC Incorporated, headquartered in Southgate, Mich., is the parent company of American Sunroof Company and Automobile Specialty Company. The ASC organization has 31 facilities worldwide and employs nearly 3,000 people.

Modern Engineering is a division of CDI Transportation Group. Based in Warren, Mich., the CDI Transportation Group employs more than 5,000 specialists at 38 locations across southeastern Michigan. The largest

independent, full-service automotive engineering services operation in the world, the CDI Transportation Group is a subsidiary of CDI Corp. (NYSE: CDI) of Philadelphia.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S) and the Dean Witter Financial Services Group announced that Sears' indirect wholly owned subsidiary, Discover Receivables Financing Corp., today offered for sale $500 million of Discover Card Trust 1990 C 8.75 percent class A credit card pass-through certificates through an underwriting syndicate managed by Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. and Salomon Brothers Inc. The securities have an expected average life of three years. Principal payments to certificateholders will commence March 15, 1993. The securities were priced at 99.765 percent of par plus accrued interest from Aug. 1, resulting in a yield of 8.87 percent.

The principal asset of Discover Card Trust 1990 C will consist of credit card receivables generated or to be generated by the Discover Card. The certificates will represent undivided ownership interests in the trust. The certificates will be rated Aaa by Moody's, AAA by Standard & Poor's and AAA by Duff & Phelps.

A copy of the prospectus may be obtained from Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., Two World Trade Center, New York, N.Y. 10048 or Salomon Brothers Inc, Prospectus Department, Two New York Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10004.

CONTACT: Douglas A. Fairweather of Sears, Roebuck and Co., 312-875-7079

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CINCINNATI, (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - American Financial Enterprises, Inc. ("AFEI") announced today that its net earnings for the first six months of 1990 were $5.1 million or $.39 per share compared to $8.6 million or $.65 per share in 1989. For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, AFEI recorded net earnings of $2.7 million or $.20 per share compared to a net loss of $2.4 million or $.18 per share.

At June 30, 1990, AFEI owned 23.0 percent of the common stock of The Penn Central Corporation (NYSE: PC) and 21.2 percent of Sprague Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: SPG). AFEI accounts for these investments on the equity method by recording a proportionate share of the investees' reported net

earnings in its results of operations. Results for the first six months of 1990 and 1989 include $15.8 million and $20.9 million, respectively, in equity in net earnings of these two companies.

Penn Central reported net income of $51.1 million for the first six months of 1990 compared to $119.6 million for the same period in 1989. Penn Central's net income for the first six months of 1989 included a net gain of $68.2 million from the sales of certain foreign wire and cable operations in the first quarter. Sprague reported net income of $3.4 million in the first six months of 1990 compared to a net loss of $45.3 million for the same period in 1989. Sprague's results for the second quarter of 1989 included a provision for restructuring of $39.2 million.

AFEI's common stock is listed on the Pacific and Midwest Stock Exchanges. Approximately 82 percent of the stock is owned by American Financial Corporation.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Phillips Products Company, Minneapolis has named Viking Creative Concepts, Inc. as agency of record. Steve Gill Phillips' president, cited Viking's consumer- oriented merchandising experience as reason for the move.

Phillips is currently focusing on expanding its sales areas and product lines. Viking has worked on a project basis with Phillips several years prior to the announcement.

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#90220p3532 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - LAC Minerals Ltd. (NYSE: LAC) today reported increased revenues and gold production during the second quarter and the first six months of 1990, reflecting the consolidation of Bond International Gold, Inc. (BIG).

Earnings for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $1.4 million or one cent per share on revenues of $118.6 million. For the corresponding period in 1989, earnings were $13.4 million or 14 cents per share on revenues of $41.4 million.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, earnings were $4.8 million or four cents per share on revenues of $229.9 million. For the same period in 1989 earnings were $19.3 million or 20 cents per share on revenues of $78.7 million.

Earnings from operations improved for the second quarter and the six month period of 1990 to $6.7 million and $13.6 million respectively compared to $4.5 million and $3.6 million for the same periods last year.

Other income declined in the first six months of 1990 to $3.6 million from $26.6 million a year earlier. The decline was a result of reduced financial income, higher interest expense and the non-reoccurrence of certain other income items realized in the first half of 1989. In addition the company experienced an unrealized loss on foreign exchange due to the impact of a stronger Canadian dollar on the company's U.S. cash balances.

Also offsetting the increase in operating earnings was a higher effective income and mining tax rate.

Cash flow from operations for the first half of 1990 was up significantly to $67.3 million compared with $13.6 million a year earlier.

LAC's total gold production for the second quarter of 1990 was 246,802 ounces of which LAC's share was 187,248 ounces compared to 92,822 ounces for the same period in 1989. A total of 492,438 ounces of gold was produced in the first half of 1990 with LAC's share being 368,890 ounces compared to 164,595 ounces a year earlier.

Cash production costs per ounce for the quarter and six months were $246 and $247 per ounce respectively compared to $249 and $285 per ounce during the same period in 1989. Lower cash costs reflect lower cash production costs at the Canadian operations and the consolidation of the BIG operations.

A total of 495,665 ounces of gold was delivered during the first half of 1990 of which LAC's share was 372,202 ounces at an average realized price of $405 per ounce. Comparative figures for the first half of 1989 were 169,378 ounces at an average price of $406 per ounce.

LAC Minerals Ltd. is an international gold mining company with operating gold mines in Canada, Chile and the United States. The company is actively exploring for gold and other metals in North and South America.

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#90220p3539 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation (OTC) announced today that it has been advised by the National Association of Securities Dealers that, effective immediately, its securities will no longer be quoted on the NASDAQ system.

This is due to the company's failure to meet the minimum NASD capital and surplus requirements as of March 31, 1990, the date of CPT's most recent financial report. The company stock will continue to trade in the over-the-counter market.

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#90220p3541 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Charter Company (NYSE: CHR) reported a net loss of $17.8 million ($.38 per share) for the second quarter of 1990 primarily due to a $20 million loss provision on its preferred stock investment in The Circle K Corporation (NYSE: CKP) which filed Chapter 11 bankruptcy on May 15, 1990. Charter had previously recorded a provision of $25 million on this investment during the fourth quarter of 1989. As a result of these provisions, Charter's $50 million investment in Circle K is now carried at $5 million. Comparable net earnings for the second quarter of 1989 were $5.3 million ($.11 per share). For the first half of 1990 Charter's net loss was $12.6 million ($.27 per share) compared to earnings of $16.0 million ($.33 per share) for 1989.

Charter's pretax earnings excluding the Circle K provision were $2.4 million in the second quarter of 1990 compared to $5.9 million in 1989. On the same basis, results for the first half of 1990 were $7.8 million compared to $15.7 million in the prior year. Other items which adversely affected 1990 earnings were lower market demand for residual fuel oil and the absence of $1.9 million and $3.7 million of deferred income recognized during the second quarter and first six months of 1989.

Charter is engaged primarily in petroleum marketing and the production and sale of crude oil from a 24.5 percent production interest in an oil concession located in the Persian Gulf.

American Financial Corporation owns 51 percent of Charter's 46.8 million shares. Charter's common stock trades on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol CHR and CHRP, respectively.

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#90220p3543 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOSTON (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - David Mugar, chairman and chief executive officer of the New England Television Corporation, today announced that Sy Yanoff, president and general manager of WHDH-TV, has been promoted to the position of executive vice president of New England Television, the parent company of WHDH.

Yanoff's new role will consist of handling long-range strategic planning for New England Television. Yanoff will continue serving as a member of New England Television's board of directors and will continue reporting directly to Mugar in his new postion.

Prior to his present position, Marson served as senior vice president for programming at Metromedia Producers Corporation, a position he took after 10 years at WCVB-TV, where he served as vice president for programming. Marson began his career in broadcasting in 1961 at the old WHDH-TV. In accepting his new position, Marson said, "We've got a wonderful team here at Channel 7 and I'm delighted to be given the opportunity to expand my role in charting the station's future."

And Mugar added, "Bruce Marson has been a vital and positive force in Channel 7's development for quite some time now. Obviously, I have tremendous confidence in his ability to help me continue the progress we have made over the years."

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#90220p3544 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - DWG Corporation (AMEX: DWG) announced today that its Annual Meeting of Shareholders, which had previously been postponed because of litigation pending in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, has now been scheduled to be held on Oct. 12, 1990 and that Sept. 13, 1990 has been fixed as the record date for such meeting.

CONTACT: Renee Mottram, senior vice president of DWG Corporation, (305) 866-7771.

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#90220p3558 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
DANVILLE, VA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Dibrell Brothers, Incorporated (NASDAQ-NMS: DBRL) ("Dibrell") announced today that it has terminated the previously proposed sale to Universal Leaf Tobacco Company, Incorporated ("Universal") of the Brazilian tobacco leaf processing business formerly

owned by R.J. Reynolds Tabacos do Brasil, Ltd. ("RJR Brasil"). Mr. Claude B. Owen, Jr., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Dibrell, stated that Dibrell has determined that the leaf tobacco assets and business of RJR Brasil have greater strategic and financial value for Dibrell's present business needs and long-term growth than previously anticipated. Accordingly, Dibrell has decided to retain the RJR Brasil leaf tobacco business and today assumed full operational and administrative control over its facilities. Universal had been operating the leaf business for Dibrell's account during the pendency of the negotiations for the proposed sale.

The leaf business was one of the two types of operations sold by R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company ("RJR") on April 9, 1990, pursuant to a Stock Purchase Agreement dated March 2, 1990, between Dibrell and RJR. Simultaneously with such sale, Dibrell signed the agreement-in-principle with Universal to sell the leaf business, and sold the assets related to RJR's Brazilian cigarette business to Philip Morris Marketing, S.A. Dibrell also obtained the leaf tobacco export contracts of RJR Brasil as part of the acquisition, which have not been affected by Dibrell's termination of the proposed sale of the RJR Brasil leaf tobacco business. Mr. Owen stated that the increasingly clear efficiency of servicing these export contracts with RJR Brasil leaf tobacco business was one of the reasons Dibrell determined to retain the business.

As a result of these developments, Dibrell will review its capital structure and will explore various methods of financing this acquisition.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - TCF Bank Savings fsb (TCF) today announced that it will resume education loan operations, including disbursements of loan checks and processing of loan applications, following discussions with student loan industry officials.

Pending this resolution, TCF had temporarily suspended funding of education loans.

"We've now received the assurances we have been asking for," said William A. Cooper, TCF chairman and chief executive office. "We're encouraged by the attention being given to the guarantee situation and believe the Department of Education will take action to ensure the continued viability of education loan programs."

TCF will promptly disburse education loan funds to the schools the student borrowers attend. Applications will continue to be processed so funds

will be available for the start of the fall term.

TCF is the largest education loan provider in Minnesota and one of the largest in the nation. Overall, 70 percent of TCF's education loans are to students attending four-year colleges and universities, 25 percent to students of community or technical colleges, and 5 percent to students attending proprietary schools. The default rate for TCF education loan originations is comparatively low for the industry, due primarily to TCF's conservative underwriting standards.

TCF Bank Savings fsb, a federal savings bank, operates 55 branches in Minnesota and 20 branches in northern Illinois.

CONTACT: Mary Buckley of TCF Bank, 612-370-1576

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#90220p3565 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMOT, WI (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Continued control of operating expenses coupled with concentrated growth, enabled Gander Mountain, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: GNDR) to today report record earnings for the year ended June 30, 1990. Net income jumped 178.5 percent to $2.3 million. The mail order and retailer of outdoor sporting goods also reported that fourth-quarter results improved 56.0 percent over the same period in 1989.

Ralph L. Freitag, chairman and president, stated, "The record performance of the company demonstrates our ability to manage our growth in sales and control expenses to achieve strong financial performance and increased shareholder value. During the past year, we devoted significant attention to our core business and to building the infrastructure necessary to grow this business in the future."

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS The company's net income for fiscal 1990 increased 178.5 percent to $2.3 million, up from the $0.8 million for 1989. Earnings per share rose to $.84 per share from $.30 per share reported in 1989.

For the fourth quarter of 1990, a traditionally poor quarter for the company, the net loss was $0.4 million, an improvement from the loss of $0.9 million in the same period last year. The loss per share in the fourth quarter of 1990 was $.14, compared to a loss of $.33 per share for the same quarter last year.

Annual net sales increased to $115.7 million for the year, up from the $113.8 million from the prior year. Fourth-quarter net sales were $20.3 million, down from the $21.2 million in the same quarter of 1989.

Total operating expense declined $1.8 million to $35.2 million for the

year ended June 30, 1990, and other expense declined $1.1 million to $1.0 million for the same period.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS Freitag indicated that the company has embarked upon a focused strategy for the future expanding in areas where it has market strength and a competitive advantage. This strategic plan to build the core business included the sale of its two closely related mail-order subsidiaries Western Ranchman Outfitters and Master Animal Care. These subsidiaries were sold on Aug. 31, 1989, and May 14, 1990, respectively.

"When removing the effects of the two subsidiaries from the sales performance of the company, the core business sales increased over 10 percent. This shows the effect of our continued emphasis on customer service combined with our improved merchandising and marketing efforts," Freitag added.

"We are continuing our emphasis toward development of new operational programs, information systems and filling our key management positions. In particular, our efforts to improve inventory management have greatly improved our cash flow, thus lowering borrowing costs," said Freitag.

MARKET INFORMATION Gander Mountain, Inc. is a customer-oriented specialty merchandiser primarily serving the outdoor recreation market through mail-order catalogs and retail outlets. The company's stock trades on the NASDAQ National Market System; its symbol is GNDR.

GANDER MOUNTAIN, INC.
Statement of Operations
(In thousands, except per-share income)

	Unaudited Fourth Quarter Ended June 30		Audited Year Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$20,266	$21,209	$115,668	$113,798
Income (loss) bef. income taxes	(523)	(1,439)	4,011	1,439
Net income (loss)	(396)	(901)	2,309	829
Net income (loss) per share	($.14)	($.33)	$.84	$.30
Weighted avg. no. of shares outstanding	2,760	2,760	2,760	2,760

GANDER MOUNTAIN, INC.
Consolidated Condensed Comparative Balance Sheet
(In thousands)

Audited
Year ended June 30

	1990	1989
Assets		
Cash	$ 33	$ 210
Accounts receivable	970	1,054
Inventory	22,684	26,312
Other current assets	2,637	5,761
Total current assets	26,324	33,337
Fixed assets	8,091	8,994
Other assets	1,250	542
Total assets	$35,665	$42,873
Liabilities & shareholders' equity		
Accounts payable, trade	$ 7,489	$ 7,388
Notes payable	5,760	15,840
Other current liabilities	4,358	3,581
Total current liabilities	17,607	26,809
Long-term liabilities	2,000	2,571
Other liabilities	591	334
Total liabilities	20,198	29,714
Total shareholders' equity	15,467	13,159
Total liabilities & shareholders' equity	$35,665	$42,873

Note: 1989 total assets include $4.8 million of assets of the two subsidiaries divested during 1990.

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#90220p3571 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Larry D. Horner today announced that he will not seek re-election as chairman and chief executive of KPMG Peat Marwick when his six-year term ends in October. He will continue as chairman of the international firm until December when that term of office expires.

Under partnership rules, Horner would have been eligible to serve an additional three years as U.S. chairman, but he declined, saying, "The firm needs a chairman who can serve a full six-year term to implement our strategies.

"Over the past six years we have built the world's largest accounting and consulting firm with the KPMG merger," Horner said. "It is my view that

KPMG is in the best strategic position of any of the Big Six firms." "We believe the benefits of the merger have been validated with recent client acquisitions such as PepsiCo., Varity Corp., Beckman Instruments, Rolls Royce and others. We have just completed a record year for the firm; it is now time to turn over the leadership to new people. I'm confident that the partners will select a new leader who can capitalize on the opportunities that lie ahead."

The U.S. firm's chairman is elected by a majority vote of the 1,850 partners at its annual meeting, which will be held this year on Oct. 3. Nominations for the positions of chairman, deputy chairman, and other board vacancies will be finalized by Sept. 20.

KPMG Peat Marwick is the U.S. practice of KPMG, the world's largest professional services organization. In fiscal 1989, KPMG posted revenues of $4.3 billion. The firm has 6,100 partners and 69,000 staff in 117 countries.

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BELLINGHAM, WA (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Contract negotiations begin today with the Association of Western Pulp and Paper Workers and its Local Union No. 309 representing the employees of Georgia-Pacific Corp.'s (NYSE: GP) tissue operations at Bellingham.

"These negotiations are very important to Georgia-Pacific and our employees and, indeed, are critical to Bellingham's long-term viability," said A.D. Correll, executive vice president - pulp and paper. "Every pulp and paper manufacturer is having to consider ways to operate in today's world-wide markets. Some in our industry have decided to move operations to foreign countries where the cost of doing business, including the cost of labor, is lower. This is not an option we want to consider, but we must be able to compete.

"Approximately 15,000 Georgia-Pacific paperworkers in all parts of the country, except the Northwest, have agreed to terms similar to those being proposed at the Bellingham mill. They understood and agreed with the changes necessary to help keep their facilities competitive.

"In addition to the critical impact of foreign competition, our collective bargaining proposals reflect the cyclical nature of our pulp and paper industry, bargaining trends in the majority of our industry and the need to continue to make capital investments.

"If we are to preserve the long-term viability of our operations here, and provide an equitable working environment across the Georgia-Pacific system we must take seriously our position on workrule flexibility, containment of the increases of healthcare costs and Sunday premium pay.

"Premium pay and overtime pay are not the same things. Federal and state laws clearly provide for overtime pay for hours worked in excess of 40 hours in one week. Premium pay, in the case of the Bellingham mill, is one-and-a-half times pay for all hours worked on Sunday whether or not any other work has been performed in the week. This is also sometimes referred to as pay for 'Sunday-as-such'. In today's intensely competitive environment, it is unrealistic to pay a premium simply for Sunday work.

"We have a responsibility to our shareholders to earn a return on their investments in Georgia-Pacific that is better than they could earn elsewhere. We have an obligation to provide our customers with superior products and superior services. The company also has a responsibility to provide an equitable and fair work environment for all its employees," Correll concluded.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Navigators Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: NAVG) reported today that net after-tax income for the first six months of 1990 was $4,806,000 compared to $5,278,000 in 1989, a decrease of 9 percent. On a per-share basis, net income was $1.38 compared to $1.52. However, included in pre-tax income were $136,000 and $1,625,000 in realized capital gains in the first half of 1990 and 1989, respectively. On an after-tax basis these gains added $90,000, or $.03 per share, in 1990 compared to $1,073,000, or $.31 per share, in 1989 to the group's net after-tax income.

For the first six months of 1990 net written premium was $29,222,000 as contrasted to $20,815,000 last year, an increase of 40 percent. Net earned premium was $32,612,000 compared to $21,540,000 an increase of 51 percent. Net investment income was $5,183,00 as contrasted to $4,237,000, representing a 22 percent increase. The statutory combined ratio was 94.1 percent for the first six months of 1990 vs. 94.5 percent for the same period last year.

For the second quarter of 1990, net income was $2,461,000, or $.71 per share, as compared to $2,990,000, or $.86 per share, a decrease of 18 percent. These results included $140,000 in realized capital gains for the second quarter of 1990 compared to $1,336,000 for the same period last

year. On a per-share after-tax basis these gains increased net income by $.03 in the second quarter of 1990 vs. $.25 in the second quarter of 1989.

Net written premium for the quarter was $9,732,000 compared to $9,537,000, representing a slight increase. Net earned premium for the quarter increased 12 percent from $9,836,000 to $11,057,000 and net investment income increased 15 percent from $2,118,000 last year to $2,437,000 for the second quarter of 1990. The statutory combined ratio for the quarter was 92 percent compared to 94.8 percent last year.

Shareholders' equity at June 30, 1990, was $66,901,000, an increase of more than 6 percent since Dec. 31, 1989, and 15 percent since June 30, 1989.

As stated in the first-quarter report, when comparing the results of 1990 with 1989 it should be noted that in January 1990 Navigators Insurance Company and Progressive Casualty Insurance Company entered into an agreement whereby Navigators assumed $12.3 million in Progressive's net loss and unearned premium reserves attributable to its participation in the marine pools managed by Navigators' underwriting affiliates. Navigators received in return an equal amount of cash, $11.3 million of which was recorded as written premium. Since there were no expenses related to the assumption, the transaction had the effect of increasing Navigators' loss ratio and decreasing its expense ratio for the first six months of 1990.

"Navigators' second-quarter operating results are essentially the same as the first-quarter results," said Terence N. Deeks, chairman of Navigators. "The company continues to be on target for our 1990 business plan. We are seeing increasing signs of hardening in the market particularly in the reinsurance area, however, as yet we have seen no real evidence of rates improving on the direct side of the business. We continue to expect that 1990 will be a successful one for Navigators and are very optimistic about our opportunities over the next several years."

THE NAVIGATORS GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
(Thousands, except per- share amounts)

Three months ended June 30:	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Net premium written	$9,732	$9,537	2
Revenue:			
Premium earned	11,057	9,836	12
Net invest. income	2,437	2,118	15
Realized cap. gains	140	1,336	(90)
Total revenue	13,634	13,290	3
Operating Expenses:			
Incurred losses	7,021	6,188	13
Commissions	2,913	2,759	6

Other	620	490	27
Total expenses	10,554	9,437	12
Inc. bef. taxes	3,080	3,853	(20)
Income taxes			
Current	547	878	--
Deferred (benefit)	72	(15)	--
Total taxes	619	863	(28)
Net income	2,461	2,990	(18)
Per Share Results:			
Net income	$.71	$.86	--
Avg. shares outstg.	3,485,000	3,465,000	--
Statutory Figures:			
Loss ratio	63.4 pct.	62.9 pct.	
Expense ratio	28.6 pct.	31.9 pct.	
Combined ratio	92.0 pct.	94.8 pct.	

Six months ended June 30:	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Net premium written	$29,222	$20,815	40
Revenue:			
Premium earned	32,612	21,540	51
Net invest. income	5,183	4,237	22
Realized cap. gains	136	1,625	(92)
Total revenue	37,931	27,402	38
Operating Expenses:			
Incurred losses	25,359	13,476	88
Commissions	5,433	6,079	(11)
Other	1,209	1,035	17
Total expenses	32,001	20,590	55
Inc. bef. taxes	5,930	6,812	(13)
Income taxes			
Current	1,800	1,580	--
Deferred (benefit)	(676)	(46)	--
Total taxes	1,124	1,534	(27)
Net income	4,806	5,278	(9)
Per Share Results:			
Net income	$1.38	$1,52	--
Avg. shares outstg.	3,485,000	3,465,000	--
Statutory Figures:			
Loss ratio	77.8 pct.	62.6 pct.	
Expense ratio	16.3 pct.	31.9 pct.	
Combined ratio .	94.1 pct.	94.5 pct.	
Balance Sheet			
Investment assets	130,906	114,397	14
Operating cash flow	12,574	10,463	20
Shareholders' equity	66,901	58,151	15
Loss reserves	69,453	58,748	18
Losses paid	15,383	9,053	70

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#90220p3593 08/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron Corp. (NYSE: CHV) Chairman Ken Derr at a news conference here today pledged strong support of the President's actions in the Middle East crisis, including his call for gasoline pricing restraint. He said the following:

The President has called for oil companies to exercise restraint in pricing their products. I have sent the President a wire to tell him that Chevron will and is exercising restraint in passing on sharply higher raw-material costs to its customers, and I also told him that we'll do everything we can to augment the supply of oil to the American consumer.

Our recent wholesale gasoline price increases to dealers, ranging in different areas from 5 to 8 cents per gallon since last Friday, have fallen far short of recovering our increased costs for our raw material, namely crude oil. Crude oil prices have skyrocketed from about $16 per barrel in late June to a high of $28 per barrel yesterday (8/7), an increase of $12 per barrel (about 29 cents per gallon).

Nevertheless, we will increase our prices only when it becomes absolutely necessary, and we are calling today on our dealers and jobbers throughout the country to join us in exercising restraint.

Since last Friday, when we increased our wholesale prices to our dealers 5 cents per gallon, there has been a tremendous expression of concern about gasoline prices from our customers, government officials and the news media. We understand the reaction to gasoline price increases and we're very much concerned about how our customers feel about the situation.

However, many of the reports we've seen and many of the statements that have been made demonstrate misconceptions and a lack of understanding of the complexity of the economic world and of our business.

For example, people have not understood that we pay for a tanker of imported crude at the market price for crude oil at the time the cargo is delivered, not when we load the tanker in a foreign port, weeks earlier. If the price for crude oil is skyrocketing, the only way we can recover the enormous increased costs for our imported oil, and ensure continued supplies for our millions of customers, is to raise the price we charge for our finished product.

In fact, our raw-material has increased in cost since early last month by

about 50 percent, while our wholesale product prices have been raised by less than 20 percent.

The current crisis in the Middle East again demonstrates how overly dependent the American people -- including every one of Chevron's employees and their families -- are on receiving a critically important commodity from an historically unstable and unpredictable part of the world.

The current situation is the third major disruption in the crude oil market in the last 20 years. At the same time, our dependence on foreign sources of oil in this country has increased to almost 50 percent. In part, this is because it has become increasingly difficult to explore for and to produce U.S. resources, as areas of high-resource potential in this country are placed off limits to exploration or production.

In the short term, while we continue to work hard to ensure continued supply, Chevron sees the following additional steps that it can take as the nation's largest refiner and marketer of petroleum products to counteract what's happening in the world oil market. For example:

-- Yesterday, we decided to increase spending by an additional $100 million this year on U.S. production projects where we feel we can in a very short time increase the amount of oil flowing from existing fields;

-- We are operating our seven refineries in the continental United States at maximum rates possible to ensure that we are manufacturing as much gasoline and other important products as our customers need;

-- Our crude oil supply experts have been working hard since the Middle East conflict began to further diversify Chevron's crude oil sources from all over the world so that we can avoid any oil shortages;

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(AUG. 8) UPI - Officials with two John F. Kennedy assassination research centers have asked the Texas attorney general to investigate yet another theory about who killed the president. A Midland man... Ricky Don White... claims his father, a former Dallas police officer, was one of three C-I-A operatives who killed J-F-K as he traveled by motorcade through downtown Dallas on November 22nd, 1963. White says presumed Kennedy assassin Lee Harvey Oswald was set up to take the blame but NEVER fired a shot.

The late Sammy Davis Junior left most of his estate to his widow... but he

also left a ''Gary Cooper'' gun to actor Clint Eastwood. The song-and-dance man's will filed in Los Angeles Superior Court lists two-Million dollars worth of personal property and two-Million dollars in real estate. Davis, who died May 16th of cancer, also left 100-thousand dollars each to Morehouse Teachers College in Atlanta and to his housekeeper.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - CALDENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Baseball

American League
Baltimore at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.
Texas at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.
Detroit at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
Chicago at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
New York at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.
Boston at California, 10:35 p.m.

National League
Philadelphia at New York, 1:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
San Francisco at Houston, 2:35 p.m.
Montreal at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
San Diego at Atlanta, 7:40 p.m.
Edmonton, Alberta - World Championships

Basketball
Argentina - Men's World Championships

Roller Skating
Pensacola, Fla. - U.S. Indoor Speed Championships

Shooting
Moscow - World Championships

Skiing
Mount Hutt, New Zealand - Men's World Cup

Tennis
Albuquerque, N.M. - Virginia Slims of Albuquerque

Mason, Ohio - $1.02 million ATP Championships
San Diego - $225,000 Great American Bank Women's Classic

Track and Field
Plovdiv, Bulgaria - World Junior Championships

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(AUG. 8) UPI - Fighter jets were seen leaving Langley Air Force Base in northern Virginia and paratroopers at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, reportedly were leaving Tuesday night for Saudi Arabia. Defense sources say President Bush Tuesday ordered U-S warplanes and ground troops sent to Saudi Arabia to guard against a possible Iraqi attack. The White House says the president will address the nation Wednesday morning, but there's NO advance word on what he'll say.

Mexican authorities say the cities of Tuxpan and Tamiahua, 15 miles to the north, bore the brunt of Hurricane Diana... which slammed ashore with 100 mile-an-hour winds Tuesday afternoon. At least two people were killed and four injured by the storm, which also damaged homes and communication lines before being downgraded to a tropical storm late Tuesday. Diana's rains flooded highways and rivers in northern Veracruz and southern Tamaulipas states. Fallen trees left a number of roads impassable.

China and Indonesia formally resumed diplomatic relations Wednesday in a palatial ceremony in Jakarta that ends a 23-year freeze. China's prime minister and the Indonesian president witnessed the signing of the document by Indonesia's foreign minister and his Chinese counterpart. Indonesia is the second country to establish ties with China since the suppression of pro-democracy demonstrators in Beijing's Tiananmen Square in June 1989. Saudi Arabia was the first.

Reports say an AIDS patient from New York died shortly after undergoing an experimental blood-heating treatment by an Atlanta doctor working in Mexico. The patient, who was said to be near death before the treatment, was the third person to undergo the controversial procedure. He died a week ago, 18 hours after the treatment. One man who underwent the procedure at Atlanta Hospital in May claims he was cured of the AIDS virus. Doctors say the second patient has shown only slight progress.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - Police in Dallas say a woman suffered minor cuts to her finger and back after she took away stereo and Nintendo privileges from her teen-age children, and they attacked her. Detectives say 31-year-old Verma Conley's 14-year-old son pulled a pocketknife and her 13-year-old

daughter struck her with a telephone late Monday. Another person called police, but the children fled by the time they arrived. The girl was later apprehended. The boy is still at large.

In Los Angeles, a would-be actor is suing Star Magazine and one of its reporters for 10-Million dollars. Roy Emerald claims the magazine libeled him by publishing a story in May linking him romantically with then-hospitalized actress Elizabeth Taylor. The story was published in the Star and by other news organizations who'd been called by a person claiming to be Taylor's New York publicist. The story was followed up by others accusing Emerald of perpetrating the hoax for publicity.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

Chicago (NL) - Placed pitcher Shawn Boskie on the 15-day disabled list; called up pitcher Lance Dickson from Charlotte of the Southern League (AA).

Kansas City - Called up outfielder Brian McRae from Memphis of the Southern League (AA); placed outfielder Jeff Schulz on the 15-day disabled list; moved outfielder Bo Jackson from 15-day to 21-day disabled list; moved pitcher Mark Gubicza from 21-day to 60-day disabled list.

Philadelphia - Placed pitcher Ken Howell on 21-day disabled list; recalled pitcher Jason Grimsley from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre of the International League (AAA).

Pittsburgh - Purchased the contracts of pitcher Mark Ross and infielder Mark Ryal from Buffalo of the International League (AAA); placed pitcher Ted Power on the 15-day disabled list; optioned pitcher Rick Reed to Buffalo.

Basketball

Cedar Rapids (CBA) - Named Todd DeMoss trainer.

Houston - Signed forward David Wood to 1-year contract.

Portland - Signed forward Alaa Abdelnaby to 4-year contract.

College

NCAA - Placed Upsala basketball team on five years' probation and banned school from Division III postseason for three years for paying players.

Football

Green Bay - Signed linebacker Brian Noble; cut nose tackle Deatrick Wise.

NY Jets - Claimed linebacker Dan Murray on waivers from Cincinnati.

NY Giants - Signed defensive end Eric Dorsey to 2-year contract.

Philadelphia - Signed center David Alexander to a 4-year contract and defensive end Steve Kaufusi to a 2-year contract.

Phoenix - Waived running backs Stump Mitchell and Donnie Riley and kicker Kevin Nicholl.

Pittsburgh - Waived offensive tackle Jeff Fryar.

San Diego - Signed safety Vencie Glenn; released cornerback Keith Collins.

Hockey

Minnesota - Acquired center Bobby Smith from Montreal Canadiens for fourth-round choice in 1992 draft.

NY Islanders - Signed left winger Randy Wood and goaltender Glenn Healy to multi-year contracts.

Soccer

St. Louis (MSL) - Signed goalkeeper David Brcic and defenders Mark Frederickson and David Eise.

U.S. National Team - Lent defender Steve Trittschuh to Sparta Prague of Czechoslovakian League through June 15, 1991.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	59	49	.546	-	36-18	23-31	8-2	W-1
Toronto	58	52	.527	2	30-26	28-26	5-5	W-1
Baltimore	53	55	.491	6	26-26	27-29	5-5	L-2
Detroit	52	59	.468	8 1/2	26-30	26-29	4-6	L-1
Cleveland	50	59	.459	9 1/2	26-26	24-33	3-7	W-1
Milwaukee	47	61	.435	12	24-32	23-29	2-8	W-2

New York	44	64	.407	15	23-29	21-35	7-3	W-3
West								
Oakland	69	41	.627	-	34-20	35-21	6-4	W-2
Chicago	64	42	.604	3	31-23	33-19	6-4	W-1
Texas	57	52	.523	11 1/2	31-24	26-28	7-3	L-1
Seattle	57	53	.518	12	29-28	28-25	5-5	L-1
California	52	58	.473	17	26-28	26-30	4-6	L-2
Kansas City	50	58	.463	18	27-26	23-32	4-6	L-1
Minnesota	51	60	.459	18 1/2	28-30	23-30	3-7	L-4

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(AUG. 8) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

First Game

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts lf	4	2	2	0	McDowell cf	4	0	1	0
Alomar 2b	4	0	2	1	Treadway 2b	4	0	2	0
Gwynn rf	4	1	0	2	Gant lf	4	0	1	0
Clark 1b	2	1	2	1	Presley 3b	5	0	0	0
Carter cf	3	1	1	0	Justice rf	5	1	1	1
Pagliarul 3b	5	0	0	0	Gregg 1b	4	0	4	0
Parent c	5	0	1	2	Whitt c	4	0	0	0
Templetn ss	5	1	1	0	Blauser ss	3	1	1	0
Benes p	3	1	1	0	Glavine p	2	0	0	0
Stephensn ph	1	0	0	0	Bell ph	1	0	0	0
Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0	Henry p	0	0	0	0
Harris p	0	0	0	0	Castillo p	0	0	0	0
					Grant p	0	0	0	0
					LSmith ph	1	0	1	1
Totals	36	7	10	6	Totals	37	2	11	2

San Diego 100 200 022- 7

Atlanta 000 000 011- 2

E-Gregg, Templeton. DP-San Diego 2. LOB-San Diego 11, Atlanta 12. 2B-Clark 2, McDowell, Gregg, Roberts, Parent, Blauser, LSmith. HR-Justice (9).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Benes (W 8-8)	8	8	1	1	3	4
Rodriguez	0	3	1	1	1	0
Harris (S 6)	1	0	0	0	0	2
Atlanta						

Glavine (L 6-8)	7	8	3	2	4	5
Henry	2-3	0	2	2	3	0
Castillo	0	0	0	0	1	0
Grant	1 1-3	2	2	2	1	0

Rodriguez pitched to 4 batters in the 9th.

WP-Grant. Balk-Glavine. T-3:01.

Umpires-Home, Williams; 1b, McSherry; 2b, Davidson; 3b, Reliford.

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Second Game

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Alomar 2b	5	2	3	0	LSmith lf	3	1	1	1
Templetn ss	4	1	3	2	Treadway 2b	5	1	2	2
Gwynn rf	4	1	1	1	Gant cf	5	2	2	0
Clark 1b	3	2	1	1	Justice rf	4	3	4	4
Stephensn 1b	2	0	0	0	Parrett p	0	0	0	0
Carter lf	1	2	1	2	Presley 3b	5	0	2	1
Jackson cf	2	0	0	0	Gregg 1b	5	0	1	0
Pagliarul 3b	5	0	2	2	Whitt c	2	0	0	0
Lampkin c	5	0	0	0	Castillo p	0	0	0	0
Abner cf	3	2	2	0	Lemke ph	1	0	1	1
Show p	4	1	1	0	Luecken p	0	0	0	0
Lilliquist p	1	0	0	0	Cabrera 1b	2	0	0	0
Lefferts p	0	0	0	0	Blauser ss	3	1	0	0
					Clary p	1	0	0	0
					Olson c	3	1	1	0
Totals	39	11	14	8	Totals	39	9	14	9

San Diego 311 051 000- 11
Atlanta 010 103 130- 9

E-Treadway, Blauser 2, Presley, Gregg. DP-San Diego 2, Atlanta 3. LOB -San Diego 12, Atlanta 8. 2B-Alomar, Templeton, Carter, Abner, Gant, Olson. HR-Justice 2 (11), Treadway (11). S- Templeton 2. SF-Carter.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Show (W 3-8)	5 1-3	7	5	5	3	1
Lilliquist	2	5	4	4	2	0
Lefferts (S 16)	1 2-3	2	0	0	0	1
Atlanta						
Clary (L 1-9)	4 2-3	9	9	7	5	2

Castillo	1	1-3	4	2	2	0	0
Luecken		2	1	0	0	0	1
Parrett		1	0	0	0	2	0

HBP-by Luecken (Abner). Balk-Show 2. T-3:04. A-10,991.

Umpires-Home, McSherry; 1b, Davidson; 2b, Reliford; 3b, Williams.

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LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Sharpersn 2b	4	0	0	0	Larkin ss	3	0	0	0
Gibson cf	4	0	2	0	O'Neill rf	3	0	2	0
Daniels lf	4	0	1	0	Sabo 3b	3	0	0	0
Murray 1b	4	0	2	0	Davis cf	3	0	0	0
Brooks rf	4	0	1	0	Morris 1b	3	0	0	0
MHatcher 3b	3	0	0	0	Duncan 2b	3	0	0	0
Harris 2b	0	0	0	0	Oliver c	3	0	0	0
Dempsey c	4	0	0	0	BHatcher lf	3	1	0	0
Crews p	0	0	0	0	Browning p	2	0	0	0
Griffin ss	4	0	2	0	Myers p	0	0	0	0
Neidlinger p	3	0	0	0					
Searage p	0	0	0	0					
Scioscia c	1	0	0	0					
Totals	35	0	8	0	Totals	26	1	2	0

Los Angeles	000 000 000- 0
Cincinnati	000 000 01x- 1

E-MHatcher, Griffin. LOB-Los Angeles 10, Cincinnati 5. 2B-Gibson.
S-Browning.

		IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles							
Neidlinger (L 0-1)	7	2-3	2	1	0	1	6
Searage		0	0	0	0	1	0
Crews		1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati							
Browning (W 11-6)		8	8	0	0	2	5
Myers (S 22)		1	0	0	0	0	0

HBP-by Neidlinger (Sabo). WP- Searage, Crews. T-2:03. A-31,154.

Umpires-Home, Runge; 1b, Rapuano; 2b, Winters; 3b, Davis.

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ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Thompson rf	5	1	1	0	Walton cf	4	3	2	0
OSmith ss	4	0	0	0	Sandberg 2b	4	1	2	2
McGee cf	4	0	1	0	Grace 1b	3	0	1	2
Guerrero 1b	3	0	1	1	Dawson rf	4	0	0	0
Zeile c	3	1	0	0	Clark lf	4	0	0	0
Pendleton 3b	4	0	1	0	Williams p	0	0	0	0
Hudler lf	3	1	1	1	Salazar 3b	4	1	3	0
Oquendo 2b	3	0	2	1	Dunston ss	4	0	1	1
Tewksbury p	2	0	0	0	Girardi c	3	0	0	0
Coleman ph	0	0	0	0	Bielecki p	2	0	1	0
Terry p	0	0	0	0	Assenmchr p	0	0	0	0
CWilson ph	1	0	0	0	Varsho ph	1	0	0	0
					Long p	0	0	0	0
					Wynne lf	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	3	7	3	Totals	33	5	10	5

St. Louis 011 000 100- 3
Chicago 101 001 20x- 5

E-Pendleton. DP-St. Louis 1. LOB- St. Louis 8, Chicago 5. 2B-Hudler, Thompson, Walton, McGee, Oquendo. 3B -Dunston. HR-Sandberg (26). SB-Sandberg (19), Hudler (10). S-OSmith, Coleman. SF-Grace.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Tewksbury	6	9	3	3	0	3
Terry (L 1-6)	2	1	2	1	0	1
Chicago						
Bielecki	6	5	3	3	3	5
Assenmacher (W 4-2)	1	0	0	0	0	0
Long	1 1-3	2	0	0	1	0
Williams (S 13)	2-3	0	0	0	0	1

Bielecki pitched to 2 batters in the 7th.

T-2:20. A-34,791.

Umpires-Home, Bonin; 1b, Quick; 2b, Hohn; 3b, Rennert.

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SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	4	0	0	0	Yelding cf	4	1	1	0

Thompsn 2b	4	0	0	0	Doran 2b	3	0	2	0
Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0	Caminiti 3b	4	0	2	1
Hammakr p	0	0	0	0	Stubbs 1b	2	0	0	1
Oliveras p	0	0	0	0	Nichols ph	0	0	0	0
Clark 1b	4	0	1	0	Oberkfell 1b	0	0	0	0
Mitchell lf	4	0	1	0	Biggio c	4	0	0	0
Williams 3b	4	0	0	0	GWilson rf	3	0	0	0
Riles ss	3	0	0	0	Smith p	1	0	0	0
Kennedy c	3	0	2	0	Rhodes lf	3	1	1	0
Kingery rf	0	0	0	0	Ramirez ss	2	1	0	0
Leonard rf	1	0	0	0	Portugal p	2	0	0	0
Anderson 2b	1	0	1	0	Agosto p	0	0	0	0
Burkett p	2	0	0	0	Candaele rf	1	1	1	0
Carter c	1	0	0	0					
Totals	31	0	5	0	Totals	29	4	7	2

San Francisco 000 000 000- 0
Houston 000 100 03x- 4

E-Clark. DP-San Francisco 1, Houston 1. LOB-San Francisco 5, Houston 5.
S-Ramirez. SF-Stubbs.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Burkett (L 10-4)	7	4	1	1	0	4
Bedrosian	1-3	3	3	2	1	0
Hammaker	0	0	0	0	1	0
Oliveras	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Houston						
Portugal (W 5-9)	7 1-3	5	0	0	1	9
Agosto	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Smith (S 19)	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0

WP-Hammaker. PB-Carter. T-2:23. A-18,648.

Umpires-Home, Pulli; 1b, Rippley; 2b, Darling; 3b, Hirschbeck.

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MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Nixon cf	6	1	3	1	Redus 1b	3	1	1	0
Grissom lf	4	1	2	2	Bream 1b	2	1	1	1
Aldrete ph	1	0	0	0	Bell ss	5	1	3	2
Goff c	0	0	0	0	King 3b	4	0	0	1
Galarrag 1b	6	0	1	0	Bonilla rf	5	0	1	0
Wallach 3b	5	0	2	0	Bonds lf	3	0	0	0

Walker rf	4	0	0	0	Reynolds cf	3	0	0	0
Rojas p	0	0	0	0	Ryal lf	2	0	1	0
Foley ph	1	0	0	0	Slaught c	4	0	0	0
Burke p	0	0	0	0	Ross p	0	0	0	0
Mohorcic p	1	0	0	0	Lind 2b	5	1	1	0
Fitzgerald c	3	0	1	0	Smiley p	2	0	0	0
DMartinez rf	0	1	0	0	Backman ph	1	0	0	0
Noboa 2b	3	0	1	0	Patterson p	0	0	0	0
Frey p	0	0	0	0	Belinda p	0	0	0	0
Raines lf	1	0	0	0	Belliard ph	0	0	0	0
Owen ss	5	0	0	0	Ruskin p	0	0	0	0
Smith p	2	0	1	0	LaValliere c	0	0	0	0
DeShields 2b	3	0	0	0					
Totals	45	3	11	3	Totals	39	4	8	4

(Two out when winning run scored)

Montreal	100 000 011 000- 3
Pittsburgh	000 200 010 001- 4

E-Bell, King, Slaught. DP-Montreal 1, Pittsburgh 2. LOB-Montreal 11, Pittsburgh 8. 2B-Redus, Lind. 3B-Bell. HR-Grissom (2), Bream (12). SB-Bonds (37), DMartinez (9), Nixon (34). S-Goff, LaValliere. SF-King, Bell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Smith	6	3	2	2	0	5
Frey	1 1-3	3	1	1	1	1
Rojas	1 2-3	0	0	0	1	1
Burke	2	1	0	0	1	1
Mohorcic (L 1-2)	2-3	1	1	1	1	0
Pittsburgh						
Smiley	8	8	2	2	0	7
Patterson	2-3	1	1	0	1	1
Belinda	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Ruskin	1 1-3	1	0	0	2	1
Ross (W 1-0)	2-3	1	0	0	1	1

HBP-by Burke (Belliard). PB- Slaught. T-3:56. A-23,666.

Umpires-Home, Gregg; 1b, Harvey; 2b, Hallion; 3b, DeMuth.

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PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	4	1	1	2	Johnson 3b	3	0	0	0
Herr 2b	5	0	2	1	O'Malley 3b	1	0	0	0

Booker 2b	0	0	0	0	Magadan 1b	3	0	0	0
VHayes lf	4	1	1	1	Jefferies 2b	4	0	0	0
Murphy rf	4	0	1	0	Strawbrry rf	2	0	1	0
Campusan rf	1	0	0	0	Carreon rf	1	0	0	0
CHayes 3b	5	2	1	0	McRynlds lf	3	0	0	0
Thon ss	5	1	2	0	Trevino c	0	0	0	0
Jordan 1b	5	2	3	2	Sasser c	3	0	0	0
Daulton c	4	1	1	1	Machado p	0	0	0	0
DeJesus p	2	1	0	1	Boston cf	3	0	1	0
					Diaz ss	2	0	0	0
					Pena p	0	0	0	0
					Torve lf	0	0	0	0
					Viola p	1	0	0	0
					Miller ss	2	0	0	0
Totals	39	9	12	8	Totals	28	0	2	0

Philadelphia 010 033 110- 9
New York 000 000 000- 0

E-Johnson 2, Diaz. DP-Philadelphia 1. LOB-Philadelphia 8, New York 4. 2B -Jordan 2, Daulton, Dykstra. HR- VHayes (13). SF-Dykstra.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
DeJesus (W 3-3)	9	2	0	0	2	4
New York						
Viola (L 15-6)	5 1-3	8	6	5	0	6
Pena	1 2-3	3	2	2	2	0
Machado	2	1	1	0	2	2

HBP-by De Jesus (Torve). WP-Viola. T-2:44. A-33,120.

Umpires-Home, West; 1b, Brocklander; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Wendelstedt.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

BATTING
(Minimum 275 at-bats)
American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	355	84	117	.330
Palmeiro, Tex	398	52	131	.329

JoReed, Bos	392	52	125	.319
Harper, Min	339	44	108	.319
Griffey, Sea	423	69	134	.317
Quintana, Bos	324	38	102	.315
Martinez, Sea	357	53	111	.311
Boggs, Bos	415	61	129	.311
Sheffield, Mil	367	51	114	.311
Guillen, Chi	351	46	108	.308

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	393	80	136	.346
Dawson, Chi	355	51	120	.338
McGee, StL	426	66	142	.333
Bonds, Pit	346	75	111	.321
Murray, LA	353	59	112	.317
Larkin, Cin	414	58	130	.314
Sandberg, Chi	433	84	135	.312
Gwynn, SD	434	61	135	.311
Mitchell, SF	356	65	110	.309
Jefferies, NY	399	68	121	.303

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 35; J.Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 28; McGriff, Tor 24; Gruber, Tor 22.

National League - Mitchell, SF, Strawberry, NY 26 and Sandberg, Chi 26; Bonilla, Pit 23; Sabo, Cin, Williams, SF and Dawson, Chi 21.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 90; J.Canseco, Oak 82; Gruber, Tor 78; McGwire, Oak 70; Bell, Tor, Palmeiro, Tex, Sierra, Tex 68.

National League - Williams, SF 86 and Carter, SD 86; Bonds, Pit 82; Bonilla, Pit 74; Strawberry, NY 71; Dawson, Chi 70.

Doubles

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos 37; Boggs, Bos 32; Puckett, Min 31; Harper, Min and Brett, KC 29.

National League - Wallach, Mtl 30; Sabo, Cin 28; Jefferies, NY, Bonilla, Pit, McGee, StL, and Dykstra, Phi 27; DPresley, Atl, Gwynn, SD, and Guerrero, StL 26.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 14; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos, Polonia, Cal, Webster, Cle and Eisenreich, KC 6.

National League - Thompson, StL, L.Smith, Atl and Gwynn, SD 7; Bell, Pit, Duncan, Cin, Coleman, StL and Dunston, Chi 6.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 49; Sax, NY, Calderon, Chi 29; Pettis, Tex 27; Kelly, NY 25; Reynolds, Sea 24.

National League - Coleman, StL 58; Yelding, Hou 46; Bonds, Pit 37; Nixon, Mtl 35; Samuel, LA, Butler, SF and Raines, Mtl 33.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 84; Fielder, Det 72; Yount, Mil 70; Puckett, Min, 69; Griffey, Sea 69; Franco, Tex and McGriff, Tor 67.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 84; Bonilla, Pit 82; Dykstra, Phi 80; Sabo Cin and Bonds, Pit 75.

Hits

American League - Griffey, Sea 134; Palmeiro, Tex 131; Boggs, Bos 129; Jo.Reed, Bos 125; Parker, Mil 123; Kelly, NY 122; Seitzer, KC and Franco, Tex 122.

National League - McGee, StL 142; Dykstra, Phi 136; Gwynn, SD 135; Sandberg, Chi 135; Alomar, SD and Larkin, Cin 130.

Pitching

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 18; Clemens, Bos and Stewart, Oak 15; Finley, Cal and Steib, Tor 14; Brown, Tex 12.

National League - Viola, NY 15; Martinez, LA and Drabek, Pit 14; Armstrong and Browning, Cin, Tudor, StL and Gooden, NY 11.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 85 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 2.14; Finley, Cal 2.40; Stewart, Oak 2.58; Hibbard, Chi 2.85; Saberhagen, KC and Steib, Tor 3.10.

National League - Viola, NY 2.28; Tudor, StL 2.49; Whitson, SD, Martinez, LA, and Drabek, Pit 2.76; Gardner, Mtl 2.89.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 158; Ryan, Tex 148; Hanson, Sea 146; B.Witt, Tex 141; Johnson, Sea and Langston, Cal 128.

National League - Martinez, LA 164; Gooden, NY 142; Cone, NY 139; Viola, NY 120; Smoltz, Atl and DeLeon, StL 116.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi and Eckersley, Oak 36; Schooler, Sea and Jones, Cle 28; Olson, Bal 25.

National League - Franco, NY 24; Myers, Cin 22; Smith, Hou and L.Smith, StL 19; Brantley, SF, McDowell, Phi and Lefferts, SD 16.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 7; Brown, Tex 6; Leary, NY, Saberhagen, KC and Morris, Det 5. Six players tied with 4.

National League - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl and Belcher, LA and Maddux, Chi 5. Six players tied with 4.

Shutouts

American League - Stewart, Oak 3; Appier, KC, Perez and King, Chi, Brown, Ryan, Tex, Knudson, Mil, Clemens, Bos, Welch, Oak and Black, Cle 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl and Viola, NY 3; 12 players tied with 2.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... U-P-I brings you the latest news.

F-15 fighter jets began taking off from Langley Air Force Base in Virginia last night, apparently part of a group of warplanes headed for Saudi Arabia. President Bush also ordered troops to the Persian Gulf nation to help defend against a possible attack by Iraq. Bush is to speak to the nation on the matter this morning.

Thousands of people are fighting a dozen forest fires in Oregon state... part of some 170 wildfires burning in Oregon, California and Utah. Many of the fires were started by lightning. At least 92 blazes are burning in California, including more than 50 in the Sierra National Forest.

Preparations are moving forward for next month's launch of the repaired shuttle Columbia on a long-delayed astronomy mission. The leaking shuttle Atlantis is to be hauled off the launch pad today to make room for Columbia, which is set to begin its rollout to the launch pad tomorrow.

Vice President Quayle led the U-S delegation to the inauguration of new Colombian President Cesar Gaviria, who was sworn in yesterday in Bogota. Quayle urged Gaviria to continue extraditions of suspected drug lords to the United States.

Authorities in Pakistan ordered airports to bar legislators of Benazir Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party from leaving the country. Bhutto was dismissed as prime minister Monday, and her government was dissolved because of what the president termed ''corruption and nepotism.''

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#90220u0326 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (AUG. 8) UPI - Burmese security forces opened fire Wednesday on protesting Buddhist monks and students in the central city of Mandalay, reportedly killing four people, diplomats said.

''A (security force) captain was hit on the head by a rock and that started the shooting,'' said a diplomat contacted by telephone from Bangkok.

The diplomat, who asked not to be identified, said reports from Mandalay, 300 miles north of Rangoon, indicated two monks and two students were killed and two other people were wounded in the shooting.

No Burmese government officials could immediately be contacted to comment on the account, which came amid tension between the military and the winning party in recent elections.

The incident came on the second anniversary of major anti-government demonstrations that led to harsh military repression in 1988.

All schools in Mandalay, Burma's second-largest city, have been closed and army troops have moved in to secure the center of the town, the diplomat said.

He quoted witnesses as saying the incident began at 6:00 a.m. with a large procession of Buddhist monks with begging bowls apparently commemorating

the 1988 demonstrations.

The monks were joined by anti-government students, including members of the youth wing of the National League for Democracy, which the won May general elections, he said. The military has so far delayed turning over power to the elected representatives.

The diplomat said the monks' procession continued peacefully for more than 90 minutes until a student tried to raise the ''fighting peacock'' flag that symbolizes student defiance of the government.

A security official tried to arrest the student, leading to a scuffle, rock-throwing and the shooting, he said.

There were no reports of violent incidents in the capital, Rangoon, but troops patrolled the streets and searched some students heading to classes diplomats said.

The incident in Mandalay followed anti-government demonstrations by hundreds of Buddhist monks and high school students.

Witnesses said a crowd of about 300 students hurled firecrackers at troops stationed in a Buddhist temple, but no violence was reported.

Rangoon radio Tuesday night took the unusual step of denying rumors that several protesters were killed in the earlier demonstrations.

The radio said there had been demonstrations by monks in one temple and by students from five high schools, but no one was wounded.

''About 200 monks came out of the compound making loud noises,'' the radio said. ''They dispersed when security personnel arrived.

''The rumors that are quite different from the truth are purposely being spread by those unscrupulous people who want to take advantage of the situation, to disrupt peace and tranquility,'' the radio said.

The demonstrations followed statements by the military government that it would not transfer power to the legislature elected May 27 until a new constitution, acceptable to the military and approved by the people, was promulgated.

The opposition National League for Democracy swept 80 percent of the seats in the elections, but the military has repeatedly refused to meet the party or release party leaders still in detention.

The military has said it would never allow the massive pro-democracy demonstrations that erupted two years ago.

The military finally crushed the demonstrations, killing hundreds, if not thousands of people.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - Heavy showers blew into New England Wednesday, flooding Massachusetts and New Hampshire, while thunderstorms rolled over the South and temperatures dropped in the Southern Plains as Hurricane Diana died south of the Mexico border.

Slow-moving rainstorms drifted across Connecticut, Rhode Island and Massachusetts early Wednesday, causing heavy showers in some areas, the National Weather Service said.

Heavy storms caused flooding in eastern New Hampshire, dumping more than 4 inches of rain in less than 24 hours over North Groton. A flood watch was posted for central Massachusetts as heavy storms flooded roads in poor-drainage areas.

Partly cloudy skies covered parts of Maryland, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and New Jersey early Wednesday as scattered showers dotted Maryland. Overnight lows ranged mostly in the 50s and 60s.

High pressure pushed into the South, following a cold front that produced thundershowers across much of the region. The front moved over coastal areas Wednesday, causing spotty showers in south Georgia, the coastal Carolinas and the Gulf Coast and Florida Keys.

High pressure spread over New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana Wednesday, keeping overnight temperatures in the 60s and daytime readings in the 80s, as much as 10 degrees below normal.

The remnants of Hurricane Diana caused only isolated showers Wednesday over Brownsville, at the southern tip of Texas. ''It's poopin' out pretty quick,'' said Stanley Christmas, a NWS forecaster in Fort Worth.

The hurricane whipped Veracruz state in Mexico Tuesday with 110 mph winds and heavy rains that flooded homes, cut telephone service and toppled trees, killing two people and injuring four, authorities said.

Diana was upgraded from tropical storm to hurricane Tuesday, then lost momentum after hitting the mountains of the eastern Sierra Madre and was downgraded again. Peak winds fell to about 46 mph Wednesday, officials said.

An unstable weather pattern over California kicked up winds of 50 mph in

the desert community of Palmdale near Los Angeles, triggering dust storms Tuesday that resulted in chain-reaction accidents involving dozens of cars.

Unexpected wind gusts slammed four hot-air balloons down for hard landings Tuesday near Napa, Calif., injuring 17 helpless riders. They were caught by a surprise thunderstorm and fierce winds that came out of clear skies.

Hot weather and gusty winds in California, Oregon and Utah kept at least 170 wildfires - many started by lightning - burning over a total of 42,000 acres.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - In South Africa, far-right and left-wing groups are questioning the motives of the African National Congress, which has suspended its nearly 30-year guerrilla war against white rule. Religious and human rights leaders joined the A-N-C in warning President Frederik de Klerk to keep control of his security forces.

Andrew Young's bid to become Georgia's first black governor fell short as he lost the Democratic gubernatorial primary runoff to Lieutenant Governor Zell Miller. With 93 percent of yesterday's vote counted, Miller had 65 percent compared to Young's 35 percent. Young is a former U-N ambassador and former Atlanta mayor.

A clandestine Palestinian group says it plans to release two Swiss nationals being held hostage in Lebanon within 24 hours. It's the first claim of responsibility for the abduction of the two Swiss Red Cross workers, who were kidnapped October 6th, 1989, on the outskirts of Sidon .

A tentative, 920-thousand-dollar settlement is reported in an anti-war protester's suit against the government and the crew of a Navy weapons train that ran over him. Brian Willson lost both legs when he was run over by the train in September 1987, while sitting on tracks outside the Concord Naval Weapons Station in California.

China and Indonesia formally resumed diplomatic relations today in a ceremony in Jakarta that ends a 23-year break. Indonesia is the second country to establish diplomatic relations with China since the bloody crackdown on pro-democracy demonstrators in Beijing last year. Saudi Arabia earlier resumed diplomatic ties.

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WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. (AUG. 8) UPI - Former Navajo Tribal Chairman Peterson Zah and suspended leader Peter McDonald took the top two spots in the

primary race for tribal leader and will face each other in the November general election.

Unofficially, Zah finished first in Tuesday's voting with 13,785 votes and MacDonald 10,322. Election officials said absentee ballots were included but challenge votes were being tabulated Wednesday.

In a surprise finish, Interim Tribal President Leonard Haskie finished with 9,729 votes, falling short of MacDonald's total by 593.

Zah lead the primary throughout the night as the precinct reports were announced by election officials.

Overall, out of 96,840 registered voters, 45,515 showed up at the primary election polls. Election experts earlier estimated a voter turnout of 50,000.

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RICHLAND, Wash. (AUG. 8) UPI - A scientist activist sent jam made from radioactive mulberries to Gov. Booth Gardner and Energy Secretary James Watkins as an object lesson on mismanagement of nuclear waste at the Hanford Nuclear Reservation.

Norm Buske, owner of a private research company that for years has studied ground-water contamination at Hanford, said Tuesday he made the jam from berries he picked at N-Springs along the Hanford shoreline of the Columbia River.

He said no harm was intended, and added that the level of strontium 90 in the mulberries used in the jam was not sufficient to be dangerous.

But he did not recommend that either the governor or Watkins try the jam on toast. Each jar contains 1,300 units of strontium 90, he said - about 80 times more strontium 90 than is allowed for daily consumption under drinking-water standards.

Buske notified officials that he was sending the jam.

Roger Woodruff, an environmental scientists for Battelle Pacific Northwest a Hanford contractor, said officials are aware that vegetation along this stretch of the river is contaminated. And he disputed the application of drinking water standards to jam.

''That is why it is posted - to preclude public access,'' he said.

The area is posted with a ''no tresspassing'' sign, and one contaminated

area 70 yards away was marked with radiation-warning signs.

Buske said his examination revealed higher concentrations of strontium 90 in plant life than was known to officials managing Hanford. He said Hanford managers were not aware of edible vegetation in the area, but that point was disputed by Battelle officials.

The radioactivity, he said, stems from ground water flowing from the nuclear reservation to the river.

''They've got a problem out there,'' Buske said about officials in charge of Hanford. ''If they can't see what their present problems are, how well-directed are they in spending billions of dollars cleaning the thing up.''

Hanford officials have admitted they don't know the location of every contaminated spot.

Buske said the area of the contaminated mulberry patch also has edible green plants called curly dock, which are 200 times as radioactive as the mulberries. He said a 1.75-ounce sample of the curly dock contains all the strontium 90 that he legally can possess.

Dick Milne, spokesman for Gov. Gardner, said state health officials would conduct an independent analysis of potential health risks at the site of the mulberry patch.

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#90220u0493 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (AUG. 8) UPI - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz has disappeared from public view amid the crisis of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, puzzling Western diplomats who speculated Wednesday he may have been ousted in a power struggle.

The diplomats said Aziz dropped out of sight Friday about the time Iraq announced it had executed 120 military officers for allegedly plotting a coup against President Saddam Hussein at the instigation of an unnamed foreign power.

Initially, Baghdad Radio reported the officers were executed for refusing to participate in the invasion of a fellow Arab nation but later cited the alleged coup plot.

The diplomats said Aziz did not as expected attend an emergency summit by Arab League foreign ministers Friday in Cairo, which ended with a condemnation of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait the day before.

They also were mystified at the veteran diplomat's absence during Baghdad's frantic shuttle diplomacy throughout the Middle East during the crisis.

Instead, Baghdad's diplomatic blitz to bring other Arab nations into line with its stand on Kuwait has been conducted by Ezaat Ibrahim, vice chairman of Baghdad's secretive ruling Revolutionary Command Council. Ibrahim attended the Arab League summit Friday.

The diplomats said they believed Aziz was connected to a power struggle within the council, linked to the executions of the officers who were sentenced by a military tribunal and whose death warrants, according to Baghdad radio, were signed by Saddam.

The diplomats also said official Iraqi newspapers had recently carried file photographs, rather than new images, of Aziz.

Aziz is regarded as third in line from Saddam after First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadhan. He is a Protestant, unlike most other senior figures in the Islamic republic. Aziz also has served as a right-hand man to Saddam after helping him in the 1958 revolution that brought the Ba'ath Party to power.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - The wild pitch that Dodger reliever Tim Crews unleashed Tuesday night proved dangerous to himself.

With the bases loaded, Crews entered the scoreless game against National League West-leading Cincinnati in the eighth inning. On an 0-2 pitch, Crews unraveled, hurling past catcher Mike Scioscia and scoring Billy Hatcher to hand the Cincinnati Reds a 1-0 victory over Los Angeles.

''My spike caught in the clay and I just fell down and lost control of the ball,'' Crews said. ''Then I started to get heartburn, all of a sudden. I picked a bad time to fall on my face and then when I tried to get up I fell again. And that's when I panicked.''

Hatcher had reached first when his one-out grounder was misplayed by shortstop Alfredo Griffin for an error. Barry Larkin then walked and Hatcher took third on Ray Searage's wild pitch. Paul O'Neill walked to load the bases.

The Reds, which lead second-place San Francisco by six games, survived an eighth inning threat by the Dodgers. Starter Tom Browning, 11-6, gave up singles to Eddie Murray and Hubie Brooks before walking Mickey Hatcher to load the bases. But unlike Crews, Browning maintained his composure and

got Rick Dempsey to fly out.

Crews might benefit from listening to Browning, who was roughed up by San Diego in an 8-5 loss in his last start.

''I just went out and pitched my ballgame,'' Browning said. ''I moved the ball in and out and I got some great fielding plays behind me, particularly by Larkin. I didn't worry about that last game, because those things happen and you have to put them behind you.''

Browning scattered eight hits in eight shutout innings, striking out five and walking two. Myers retired the Dodgers in the ninth for his 22nd save.

Rookie Jim Neidlinger, 0-1, making his second major league start, limited the Reds to two hits over 7 2-3 innings. He struck out six and walked two, giving up both hits to O'Neill.

--- AROUND THE NL ---

In other National League games, Chicago downed St. Louis 5-3, Philadelphia pummeled New York 9-0, Pittsburgh edged Montreal 4-3 in 12 innings, San Diego swept a double-header from Atlanta 7-2 and 11-9, and Houston blanked San Francisco 4-0.

Cubs 5, Cardinals 3

At Chicago, Ryne Sandberg hit a two-run homer in the seventh inning, giving the Cubs their fourth straight victory. With the score 3-3 in the seventh, Jerome Walton reached on an error and Sandberg his homer off Scott Terry, 1-6. Paul Assenmacher, 4-2, was the winner in relief.

Phillies 9, Mets 0

At New York, Jose DeJesus pitched a two-hitter, scored a run and drove in another run to lead Philadelphia. New York's loss, coupled with a 12-inning victory by Pittsburgh, increased the Pirates' lead in the NL East to 2 1-2 games. DeJesus improved to 3-3. Frank Viola, 15-6, was the loser.

Pirates 4, Expos 3 (12 innings)

At Pittsburgh, Jose Lind scored on Jay Bell's sacrifice fly in the 12th inning. Mark Ross, 1-0, the fifth Pittsburgh pitcher, was the winner. Lind opened with a double off Dale Mohorcic, 1-2, and was sacrificed to third. Sid Bream was intentionally walked and Bell lifted a fly to right.

Padres 7-11, Braves 2-9

At Atlanta, Andy Benes, 8-8, scattered eight hits over eight innings in

the opener for the Padres. Loser Tom Glavine, 6-8, allowed eight hits over seven innings.Garry Templeton, Joe Carter and Mike Pagliarulo drove in two runs each in the nightcap. Eric Show, 3-8, was the winner and Marty Clary, 1-9, took the loss.

Astros 4, Giants 0

At Houston, Mark Portugal pitched a five-hitter over 7 1-3 innings and struck out a season-high nine to help Houston win its sixth straight and hand the Giants their third consecutive loss. Portugal, 5-9 this season, improved his lifetime record against the Giants to 5-0. Dave Smith garnered his 19th save. San Francisco starter John Burkett dropped to 10-4.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange rebounded sharply Wednesday as investors snapped up bargain-priced issues after five straight losing sessions triggered by Iraqi's invasion of Kuwait.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which plunged 946.46 points Tuesday, soared 856.07 points - or 3.1 percent - to 28,509.14.

The broader-based Toyko Stock Exchange Price Index of all major listed shares, which plunged 52.11 points Tuesday, recovered 53.60 points to 2,100.02.

Advances widely outnumberd declines 819 to 173, while 102 issues remained unchanged.

An estimated 580 milion shares changed hands, compared with 527 million shares Tuesday.

Analysts said the rally was a natural reversal after a more than 10 percent drop of Nikkei Average in five consecutive trading days.

''Investors thought stock prices could not fall further after a substantial plunge since last week,'' said Mitsuhiro Nakano, a strategist for Daiwa Securities Co.

The Nikkei average has lost more than 3,300 points, or 10.8 percent of its value, since Iraq began its invastion of Kuwait last Thursday.

On Tuesday, the Nikkei average posted the year's lowest closing of 27,653.07 in the wake of Monday's plunge on world stock markets.

Brokers kept a close watch to the Middle East situation, but a lack of new

developments in the conflict prompted some investors to buy bargain-priced issues.

''Gainers were almost across the board,'' said Daiwa Securities dealer Toshiyuki Nishiguchi.

''The rally was led by natural resource issues first and then some steels and construction brought prices higher.''

Oil issues led the rally with Teikoku Oil and Nippon Oil surging sharply.

Elsewhere on the trading floor, steel and construction issues also gained.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks posted gains in brisk trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange amid reports that oil production will be stepped up to quell higher prices sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The blue-chip Hang Seng Index, which eased 9.29 points Tuesday, surged 46.88 points to 3,145.57.

Among the narrower indexes, financials added 14.07 points, oil sensitive utilities shot up 174.34 points, industrials inched up 10.56 and interest related properties rose 29.29 points.

The volume was described as brisk as an estimated 2.87 billion shares changed hands, down from the 3.28 billion shares Tuesday, the most active trading session of the year.

The market opened the day sharply higher, rising more than 43 points in the first few minutes of action.

Buying gave way to light profit-taking, trimming the early gains, analysts said. The morning session closed up 27.95 points.

''The Hang Seng Index opened higher, following yesterday's rebound,'' said Albert Leung, a broker with ChinTung Investments.

''There was a rumor during the morning that Saudi Arabia had been attacked by Iraq - this pushed prices down. Later, a number of Middle East countries announced they were producing more oil to meet the demand.''

Bargain hunters, particularly in the utilities, snapped up shares before mid-afternoon selling took hold, analysts said.

''The market is still volatile, but sentiment is better. Oil prices will stabilize and this news stabilized the Hong Kong market,'' Leung said.

Iraq's invasion of oil-rich Kuwait last Thursday caused international oil

prices to soar and threw stock markets around the globe into a tail spin.

In Singapore, stocks rebounded in fairly heavy trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange amid a round of healthy bargain hunting.

The closely-watched Straits Times Industrial Index, which plunged 54.54 points Tuesday, rebounded 15.24 points to 1,375.72.

The narrower All Singapore Index rose 3.51 points to 393.26.

An estimated 143.7 million shares changed hands compared with 139.7 million shares Tuesday.

Analysts said bargain hunters flooded the market picking up good buys throughout the day.

The market rebounded as crisis in Middle East become relatively calmer, observers noted.

Brokers said unless Iraq further aggravated the Middle East tension by invading Saudi Arabia, the market was expected to climb back.

On the trading floor, Keppel Corp. paced the advance followed by Singapore Airline foreign shares, Far East Shipping, Development Bank of Singapore foreign shares and Neptune Orient Lines.

Oriental Holdings led the declining issues followed by Singapore Land warrants, Overseas Union Enterprise, Singapore Airlines, Singapore Land common and Singapore Press foreign shares.

In Bangkok, stock prices closed higher in active trading on the Stock Exchange of Thailand as bargain hunters pushed prices up 3.8 percent after two days of sharp drops.

The closely-watched Stock Exchange Thailand Index surged 35.52 points to 957.87.

An estimated 6.07 billion shares changed hands with approximately 5.7 billion in trades from domestic investors.

Analysts said bargain hunters pushede prices higher across the board.

Market watchers noted that shortly before the market closed, some profit-takers and overseas selling pressure came into play.

The main influence in the market was the crisis in Middle East.

''Market movements will depend on the price of oil and the next development in the military situation - especially if Iraq invades Saudi Arabia,'' one local analyst said.

Analysts noted that local stocks were suffering even though Thailand had nothing to do with the crisis and the Thai economy was doing well.

In Seoul, stocks, reeling under the shock of the Middle East conflict, hit a two years low in on the South Korean Stock Exchange.

The closely-watched Composite Stock Price Index fell 9.85 points to 646.03 its lowest level since May 11, 1988 when the index stood at 636.68.

Declines hammered advances, 537 to 149 among the 793 issues traded.

Analysts said reports of escalating tension in the Middle East and possible U.S. military intervention were largely to blame.

In Australia, stock prices on the Sydney Sharemarket closed higher backgrounded by bargain hunting and strong demand for blue-chip issues.

The blue-chip All Ordinaries Index, which eased 0.6 points Tuesday, climbed 20.9 points to 1,568.4.

The All Industrials Index rose 26.7 points to 2,365.8 and the All Resources index gained 15.8 points to 951.0.

An estimated 86.7 million shares chnaged hands, compared with 96.2 million shares Tuesday.

Analysts said there was strong buying demand across the boards.

Brokers said Tokyo's rebound and strong demand for BHP Oil underwrote the bargain hunting.

BHP stormed 30 cents higher to $11.15, just 40 cents short of its all-time high.

Elsewhere in the oil patch, Santos Oil rose 4 cents to $4.94 while Woodside Oil slipped 1 cent to $3.12.

Base metal resource issues found strong support. WMC rose 12 cents to $5.38 and MIM Mining added 2 cents to $2.48.

In the industrial sector, Elders IXL rose 8 cents to $1.78 supported by speculation that Canadian brewer Molson intends to buy 30 percent of the company.

In Johannesburg, a firm but drifting gold price had little effect on stock prices, which were mixed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange.

Gold was pegged at $383.40 to $383.90 per ounce.

The Kuwait effect on shares now seems to have tailed off, one dealer said.

The closely-watched All Gold Index stood at 1642.0, marginally down from Tuesday's close of 1644.0.

On the trading floor, heavyweight Vaal Reefs eased 50 cents to 307.50 and Harmony added 25 cents at 32.25.

Among marginals, Elsburg was unchanged at 4 and Zandpan added 5 cents at 4.10.

De Beers lost 25 cents to 88.50 and Anglos eased 25 cents at 117.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - Andrew Young's bid to become Georgia's first black governor failed as the former U.N. ambassador lost a primary runoff to Lt. Gov. Zell Miller, who parlayed a state lottery into the Democratic nomination.

With 93 percent of Tuesday's vote counted, Miller, the nation's longest-serving lieutenant governor, had 65 percent of the vote to Young's 35 percent.

''Today's election is a victory for new ideas, new solutions and new approaches,'' Miller said. ''Most of all, today's election is a victory for the Georgia that can be. For too long, we've been told Georgia can't move ahead. Tonight, the people of Georgia said, 'Yes, we can.'''

Young, also a former Atlanta mayor and congressman, disavowed any suggestion that race played a role in his failure to become the first black governor in the Deep South and the second in the nation. Virginia Gov. Douglas Wilder became the first black governor last November.

''I have met with and been supported by some of the most wonderful people on this earth, and I've been all over this world,'' Young said to hundreds of supporters as they chanted, ''Andy, Andy.''

''Really and truly, everywhere we went and everywhere we worked, we achieved the kind of support we have from you tonight,'' Young said, adding, ''I don't really get disappointed unless I don't do my best. I did

my best.''

Miller now faces Republican state Rep. Johnny Isakson and Libertarian Carol Ann Rand in the November general election to determine who will succeed Democratic Gov. Joe Frank Harris. Harris is leaving office after the maximum two terms allowed by law.

Isakson, who would be the first GOP governor in Georgia in 122 years if he wins the race, was to meet with President Bush at the White House Wednesday to seek help in his well-financed campaign, and he was slated to launch a television commercial blitz.

Isakson said he wants voters to realize that a Republican governor can do what no Democrat can - ''take Georgia issues to Washington.''

Earlier in the day, Young attributed his failure in the polls to an opponent whose campaign was better financed and organized, rather than racial attitudes in the one-time Confederate state.

''I have not found this was a backward, racist state that was not ready to receive a black candidate,'' he said. ''Everywhere I have gone, I have been well-received.''

Young spent the latter part of the campaign trying to shore up support among black voters in urban areas, a group he neglected prior to the primary in search of white votes, and kept campaigning until the polls closed.

Miller, whose key issues have been promoting a state lottery to benefit educational improvements and the establishment of military-style boot camps for first-time drug offenders, took a casual approach on Election Day, opting to spend time with his grandchildren after voting in his mountain hometown, Young Harris.

Miller collected up to 20 percent of the black vote in the primary, striking a blow to Young's hopes of getting support of at least 95 percent of the group.

Young, a minister and former confidant of Martin Luther King Jr., ended the day Monday on the church circuit in the heart of his Atlanta stronghold, commemorating the 25th anniversary of the 1965 Voting Rights Act and reminding blacks of their struggle for the ballot.

''I don't believe anyone marched, and I don't believe anyone went to jail or died ... for a lottery,'' he said on a statewide tour.

Tuesday's runoff was necessary because neither candidate captured more than 50 percent of the vote in the July 17 voting.

''We did everything we could in the primary, and that wasn't enough,'' said Young, who finished more than 10 percentage points behind Miller in the primary.

While the Georgia showdown was the top race of the day, primaries also were held in three other states.

The top races included:

-Michigan: Rep. William Schuette, R-Mich., won the Republican Senate nomination despite a stronger than expected showing by conservative attorney Clark Durant. As expected, Senate Majority Leader John Engler swamped political outsider John Lauve in the race for the GOP gubernatorial nomination.

Gov. James Blanchard and Sen. Carl Levin, both running for third terms, were unopposed in the Democratic primary.

-Missouri: All nine of Missouri's congressmen - five Democrats and four Republicans - were nominated as expected. Five of the incumbents won nomination without effort because they did not have opponents in the primary.

-Kansas: Republican Gov. Mike Hayden battled off a challenge from real estate executive Nestor Wiegand to win nomination for a second term.

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#90220u0554 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 8) UPI - The threat of an oil cutoff from the Persian Gulf is reviving the campaign for domestic offshore oil drilling, much to the dismay of environmentalists.

In congressional testimony Tuesday on the emerging oil crisis, American Petroleum Institute President Charles DiBona urged that ''more of the outer continental shelf should be made available (for drilling), especially areas which already have been leased.''

DiBona and other drilling advocates, including a handful of elected officials, have long argued that instability in the Middle East was a compelling reason to explore offshore drilling at home.

That argument held little weight during a decade of quiet and surplus. Republican state Assemblywoman Carol Bentley of El Cajon, Calif., who has long favored offshore development, said, ''My political consultants have always told me, 'You're not in tune with the voters on this issue. We show 75 percent are opposed to offshore drilling.'''

But the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait has resurrected public fear of long lines at gasoline stations, an image probably as disconcerting as oil rigs on the Pacific horizon.

''If people find themselves waiting in line again, they're going to turn to officeholders and ask, 'What have you been doing about this?' And we'll have to say, 'Well, we stopped offshore drilling,''' Bentley said.

Bob Gore, a spokesman for Gov. George Deukmejian, said the governor's consistent (and largely futile) support for offshore oil development now appears prescient.

''The events in the Middle East certainly illuminate the governor's point that, given responsible environmental controls and carefully selected sites, offshore oil production is a national responsibility,'' Gore said.

''California cannot continue to consume far more oil than it produces. It's just not economically possible,'' he said.

Environmentalists who have kept Deukmejian at bay vowed to relinquish no ground and said drilling proponents are behaving like political predators this week.

''The people from the oil industry are probably salivating at the prospect of a Middle East crisis allowing them to pursue drilling in sensitive areas,'' said Michael Paparian, the Sierra Club's California state director.

''The oil companies seem intent on exploiting this crisis to their advantage,'' said Assemblyman Tom Hayden, the Santa Monica Democrat and state environmental leader.

''First, they raise gas prices for motorists. Then they renew the call for offshore drilling. That's nonsense. We ought to be saving energy instead of allowing the oil industry to profit from its waste. How many Middle East crises do we have to have before we get serious about energy conservation?'' Hayden said.

Hayden and other drilling opponents say offshore drilling cannot produce substantial amounts of oil and will not produce oil any time soon. Industry sources say the supply is there and could be tapped fairly quickly.

''In California, at Point Arguello off Santa Barbara, Chevron and several other companies are ready to produce 80,000 barrels of oil a day. That's about one-seventh of the 600,000 barrels we've been getting from Iraq and Kuwait,'' said API Vice President William O'Keefe.

For the time being, President Bush's moratorium on oil development off most of California's coast will keep the rigs quiet. And drilling opponents in the state can take heart that the next governor, whether it be Republican Pete Wilson or Democrat Dianne Feinstein, has taken a firm stand against offshore exploration.

But some Californians fear that, as American troops move into Saudi Arabia the entire nation will take another hard look at oil production at home - and especially out West.

That's the view of Dan Lungren, Republican candidate for attorney general and one of the few statewide contenders favoring offshore exploration (''Our group could meet in a phone booth,'' he quipped).

''I've always said if we find ourselves in the midst of an oil crisis, the other 49 states are likely to turn to California and say, 'You've been obstinate about oil drilling. Now we're just going to go in there and drill where we please,''' he said.

''I don't like the idea of having any oil wells off any beach, but if I have to face a parent whose child is being sent off to fight in the Middle East, I want to be able to say with a clear conscience that I've done everything I can to solve the energy crisis,'' Lungren said.

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#90220u0610 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush ordered U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia but Iraqi President Saddam Hussein rebuffed mounting international economic and military pressure to withdraw his forces from Kuwait, saying Iraq will fight for ''Arab honor.''

With Iraqi troops also poised near Kuwait's border with Saudi Arabia, the first of the U.S. troops reportedly arrived and a group of Americans held in Baghdad was released in Jordan.

The tension in the Middle East was compounded by a Washington Post report that Iraq was loading up chemical weapons.

State-run Baghdad Radio, in a broadcast Wednesday morning, called on all Arabs to tune in that evening for ''an important statement in a day of joy in the history of your struggle.''

Also Wednesday, state-run Cairo Radio reported there had been ''a complete shutdown in the flow of Iraqi oil through the Saudi and Turkish pipelines.'' Iraq had earlier reduced the flow of oil through Turkey, apparently because of reduced demand in the wake of international

sanctions. Turkey said Tuesday it would not allow Iraqi oil to be loaded onto tankers.

U.S. Embassy officials in Amman, Jordan, said an Iraqi Airways plane arrived in Amman Wednesday from Baghdad, carrying ''about two dozen Americans,'' 12 Britons and 100 Arabs. It was not immediately clear if the passengers had been among the foreigners held by Iraq in Baghdad.

The latest move to thwart Saddam came Tuesday in Washington when Bush, who planned to address the nation Wednesday morning, ordered U.S. warplanes and thousands of troops to bases in Saudi Arabia to help repulse a possible Iraqi attack. Saudi Arabia is the main supplier of oil to the United States.

U.S. defense sources said members of the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C., were preparing to leave for Saudi Arabia. The United States also was sending U.S.-based F-15 fighter jets and B-52 bombers from the Indian Ocean island of Diego Garcia.

The British Broadcasting Corp. reported Wednesday the first deployment of U.S. troops had arrived in the eastern province of Saudi Arabia. But in Washington, a Pentagon spokesman said, ''Since we never said troops are leaving, it would be hard to say that they have arrived.''

The White House and Pentagon officially declined comment other than to express continuing concern over the presence of Iraqi troops on the Kuwaiti border of a neutral oil extraction zone owned by Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. Saudi troops have moved to their side of the zone to counter a potential Iraqi attack.

Iraq invaded Kuwait, sent its leadership into exile and installed a provisional government last week after accusing its oil-rich neighbor of overproducing crude and driving down prices.

International observers have said Saddam seized Kuwait in hopes of infusing Iraq's troubled economy with Kuwaiti riches and in an effort to appease his military supporters.

U.S. defense sources said the U.S. plan calls for sending aircraft and several thousand U.S. troops to serve in a defensive, rather than offensive, capacity.

A group of U.S. F-111 bombers arrived Tuesday in Turkey from bases in England. Officials said the planes were on a routine training mission to the NATO ally bordering Iraq.

Officials in Washington said that in 10 days the United States would have 49 ships in the region, including three aircraft carriers, more than 200

aircraft and about 2,100 Marines.

Also, Soviet and French ships were steaming toward the region, displaying an unprecedented united front.

Egypt is believed to be sending troops, the U.S. defense sources said. Egypt is allied to Iraq, but has denounced the invasion. Its role and military muscle are now regarded as crucial should Saudi Arabia's 95,000-strong military engage the superior Iraqis.

Diplomatic sources said the United States offered logistical and air support to Egypt as part of a wider plan to rally the Arab world to confront Iraq. They said if Egypt became involved, it would require a massive airlift to take Egyptian troops to the conflict.

U.S. sources said Defense Secretary Dick Cheney raised the proposal during his meeting Tuesday with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, but Cairo rejected the idea.

The Egyptian Defense Ministry said it does not intend to send any forces to join U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia.

Egypt's semi-official news agency MENA reported Wednesday that a U.S. battle group including the USS Eisenhower, a nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, had passed through the Suez Canel from the Mediterranean and was in the Red Sea.

In further diplomatic efforts by the United States to gather worldwide support, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney went to Morocco Tuesday for consultations. A day earlier, Cheney won Saudi King Fahd's approval to allow U.S. forces to use the bases, clearing the way for the U.S. mobilization.

Cheney arrived back in the United States early Wednesday, hours before President Bush was scheduled to address the nation from the White House.

In a statement Tuesday in Saddam's name read in Baghdad and translated by Cable News Network in Amman, Jordan, the Iraqi president defended his conquest of Kuwait, exalting his country as ''a most honorable country which fights for the Arab muscle and Arab honor.''

The Washington Post, quoting unnamed U.S. intelligence officials, said Wednesday Iraqi military forces apparently loaded poison gas weaponry aboard combat aircraft. The officials said the loading of chemical weapons was ''most plausible explanation for what we have seen'' of Iraq's operations Tuesday.

The Post report did not specify where the loading took place or what

possible role it could play in the current crisis. Iraq is believed to have several tons of the deadly chemicals and used the gases in its eight-year war with Iran and against its own Kurdish ethnic minority.

The Pentagon had no immediate comment on the Post report.

Baghdad, in an apparent gesture to ease fears that Iraq had taken Western hostages, said it was considering freeing about 400 foreigners seized in Kuwait.

The State Department said 39 Americans, including 11 oil workers in Iraqi custody since the invasion Thursday, and a number of U.S. citizens taken from three hotels in Kuwait city were being held in a Baghdad hotel and told they could not leave.

There have been no indications the foreigners have been mistreated.

In keeping with the overwhelming U.N. Security Council decision Monday to impose tough sanctions against Iraq - five days after the world body condemned the invasion and demanded Iraq pull its forces from Kuwait - Turkey said it closed two Iraqi pipelines running through its territory.

Turkish President Turgut Ozal said in an interview with CBS News, ''The Turkish ... pipeline is not giving any drop of oil to the tankers.''

But the nation's oil minister later clarified that Turkey would not close the pipeline, but would instead store Iraqi oil and block it from leaving the country.

The pipelines, running about 700 miles from the Kirkuk oilfields in northern Iraq to a Mediterranean terminal at Yumurtalik, transport about 1.5 million barrels of Iraqi oil daily.

The United States hopes an oil embargo on Iraq engineered by closing the Turkish and Saudi pipelines will compel Saddam to leave Kuwait.

But the official Iraqi News Agency quoted a government spokesman as saying ''We do not believe that Saudi Arabia would cut the flow of oil through its territory because such a measure would seriously harm Iraq.''

Iraq and Saudi Arabia have a non-aggression pact, and most analysts believe closing the pipeline in Saudi Arabia would be construed as a declaration of war.

In Baghdad, Saddam met Lt. Col. Alaa Hussein, the prime minister and military commander of the ''provisional free Kuwait government,'' which was installed by Iraq after it overthrew the Kuwaiti leadership. ''Kuwait and Iraq share the same destiny,'' Alaa was quoted by the Iraqi News

Agency as saying.

The news agency said Saddam assured Alaa, ''Iraq will confront any imperialist, Zionist attack against the Kuwaiti uprising,'' referring to a rebellion Iraq claims it had to intervene to support.

Iraqi media also reported that a flood of volunteers across Iraq had led to the creation of 25 new military divisions - about 250,000 men - to prop up the provisional government believed made up of Iraqi military officers.

Before the invasion, Iraq was estimated to have a 1 million-strong battle-tested military and about 700,000 reserves.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - In Iraq, state-run Baghdad Radio is urging all Arabs to tune in later for- quoting- ''an important statement in a day of joy in the history of'' their struggle, possibly a union of Iraq and Kuwait. In Washington, President Bush addresses the nation later this morning on the crisis in the Persian Gulf. Bush yesterday ordered U-S warplanes and troops to Saudi Arabia to help defend against a possible attack by Iraq.

Good news on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. Share prices rebounded today, with investors snapping up bargain-priced issues after five straight losing sessions triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Tokyo's key Nikkei average rose more than 856 points, after falling more than 946 yesterday. In New York yesterday, prices dipped because of nervousness about the Persian Gulf crisis.

A Liberian rebel leader wants a peace-keeping force sent in to end Liberia's civil war, and it looks like he might get his wish. Seven African countries have agreed to send a peace-keeping force to the West African nation. Rebel leader Prince Johnson is holding one American and at least seven other foreigners hostage. He says he will keep holding the captives until the peace-keeping forces arrive.

Diplomats in Thailand say security forces in Burma opened fire today on protesting Buddhist monks and students in the central city of Mandalay. Reports from Mandalay indicate two monks and two students were killed and two other people wounded. The incident comes amid tension between the military and the winning party in recent elections. Mandalay is 300 miles north of Rangoon.

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#90220u0646 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - The flap between Health Secretary Louis Sullivan and

California Congressman Fortney Stark apparently is over. Sullivan yesterday accepted a written apology from Stark. The California Democrat last week called Sullivan a ''disgrace to his profession and his race'' because he opposes national health insurance and abortion funds for the poor. Stark calls his own comments ''inaccurate'' and ''inept.''

The New York Times says a mirror flaw in a new one-BILLION-dollar weather satellite system could delay its launch. Experts found that the flat mirrors in the Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellites would warp when exposed to the Sun's heat. That would keep the weather telescopes from properly relaying weather information back to Earth.

Mental instabililty is a growing problem among Chinese university students and the government is trying to do something about it. The state-run China Daily says social scientists are prescribing psychological counseling for the students. They are encouraged to seek psychotherapy, a new discipline in China, in order to overcome depression, feelings of frustration, and other problems.

Former Marine Corps Commandant Lemuel Shepherd died this week in San Diego. He was 94. Shepherd fought in three wars during his 42-year military career, and was the only Marine four-star general. He attended the Virginia Military Institute and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in 1917. He fought in World War One, World War Two and the Korean War.

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#90220u0669 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - Weather around the U.S.A.

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	f	84	61	....
Anchorage	cy	65	51	....
Asheville	cy	81	62	.12
Atlanta	pc	87	70	....
Baltimore	pc	83	66	....
Billings	sy	103	65	....
Birmingham	pc	86	60	....
Bismarck	sy	93	64	....
Boston	sh	82	71	.56
Brownsville	cy	96	74	.02
Buffalo	pc	74	56	....
Burlington Vt.	sy	71	62	.09
Charleston S.C.	ts	82	77	2.02
Charlotte	sh	90	68	....
Chicago	sy	79	55	....
Cincinnati	sy	77	58	....
Cleveland	sy	72	52	....

Columbus Ohio sy	76	53	....
Dallas f	87	67	....
Denver pc	90	61	....
Des Moines sy	78	55	....
Detroit sy	75	52	....
Duluth sy	79	53	....
El Paso pc	67	62	.60
Evansville pc	76	57	....
Fargo sy	88	61	....
Hartford pc	76	63	.50
Honolulu sy	90	77	....
Houston pc	91	68	....
Indianapolis sy	76	51	....
Jackson Miss. f	87	59	....
Jacksonville ts	97	71	.51
Kansas City pc	78	57	....
Las Vegas pc	107	82	....
Little Rock sy	77	58	....
Los Angeles pc	76	66	....
Louisville pc	76	59	....
Memphis pc	79	60	....
Miami Beach ts	89	82	....
Milwaukee sy	71	60	....
Minneapolis sy	78	56	....
Nashville cy	78	62	....
New Orleans pc	90	73	....
New York pc	80	68	....
Oklahoma City sy	83	63	....
Omaha pc	77	56	....
Orlando ts	95	72	....
Philadelphia pc	84	67	....
Phoenix f	102	86	....
Pittsburgh pc	73	54	....
Portland Me. r	68	63	.01
Portland Ore. pc	89	65	....
Providence sh	81	70	1.12
Richmond cy	83	63	....
St. Louis sy	78	61	....
Salt Lake City f	98	67	....
San Antonio pc	91	72	....
San Diego pc	80	70	....
San Francisco pc	73	59	....
San Juan pc	89	77	.18
Seattle sy	83	59	....
Spokane f	92	59	....
Tampa pc	94	77	....
Washington pc	83	66	....
Wichita pc	82	58	....

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

-30- 2694
#90220u0723 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush is scheduled to address the nation this morning, to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. Defense Secretary Cheney returned from Saudi Arabia and Egypt this morning and went straight to the White House.

Bush has ordered U-S warplanes and troops to Saudi Arabia out of concern over a possible attack by Iraqi forces. U-S defense officials say paratroopers of the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, are leaving for Saudi Arabia. Members of the 82nd Airborne jumped into Panama in December.

President Saddam Hussein is dismissing international pressure to withdraw from Kuwait, saying he'll fight for ''Arab honor.'' State-run Baghdad Radio this morning urged Arabs to tune in tonight for an ''important

statement.'' It's NOT clear what the statement may be.

Official sources in Pakistan say the provisional government is considering setting up special courts to try leaders of Benazir Bhutto's ousted administration and her family. Bhutto was dismissed as prime minister by Pakistan's president on Monday.

Former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young was defeated yesterday in his bid to forGeorgia's Democratic gubernatorial nomination. Lieutenant Governor Zell Miller will face Republican state Representative Johnny Isakson in November.

More than 170 wildfires are burning across valuable forest land in California, Oregon and Utah. Hot weather, strong winds and lightning sparks are to blame for the blazes. More than 42-thousand acres have been consumed.

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#90220u0738 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - Colombia's new president, Cesar Gaviria, says he personally will lead a major fight against the drug cartels. Vice President Quayle led the U-S delegation to Gaviria's inauguration yesterday.

After a 23-year freeze on diplomatic ties, China and Indonesia formally resumed relations yesterday during a ceremony in Jakarta, Indonesia. The two nations signed a document stressing the need for NON-interference and peaceful co-existence.

The defense is scheduled to begin presenting its case today in the Minneapolis trial of three Northwest Airlines, charged with flying while under the influence of alcohol. The pilots are expected to testify.

America's foremost actors' union, Actors Equity Association, has denied an Englishman permission to play a Eurasian on Broadway in the hit play ''Miss Saigon.'' British actor Jonathan Pryce originated the role in a London production.

Scientists of the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia say obese people who go on strict diets do NOT appear to experience long-term metabolic changes. Previous studies found lower metabolism rates hampered dieters' efforts to drop extra pounds.

The F-D-A has approved a request by Oregon-based Epitope, Incorporated, to begin human testing of a saliva-based AIDS test. Company officials say collecting saliva is easier and carries less risk of infection to health workers than drawing blood.

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#90220u0742 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for August 7: Purchases of 667,958 shares and sales of 716,285 shares including 53,476 shares sold short.

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#90220u0811 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 8) UPI - The United States is toughening its stance toward Iraq. U-S troops and warplanes reportedly are en route to Saudi Arabia to help deter a possible attack by Iraq. Reports out of Egypt say a U-S battle group including the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier U-S-S Eisenhower passed through the Suez Canal from the Mediterranean and is in the Red Sea.

President Bush is to address the nation this morning on the situation. The White House and Pentagon officially declined comment except to voice concern about Iraqi troops along Kuwait's border with Saudi Arabia. Saudi troops moved to their side of the border to counter any potential attack.

The increasingly volatile situation in the Middle East is affecting oil prices. Crude oil prices ended higher in New York yesterday after sharp fluctuations. Volume was a heavy 179-thousand estimated contracts. Traders say news that U-S troops were being sent to Saudi Arabia came too late to affect the market yesterday.

Pakistan's president removed Benazir Bhutto as prime minister on Monday and dismissed her 20-month-old administration. And now the provisional government reportedly is considering setting up special courts to try officials of Bhutto's administration and members of her family. One source says officials were told ''NOT to spare anyone.''

Flooding is reported in Massachusetts and New Hampshire as heavy showers blew into New England today. Slow-moving rainstorms drifted across Connecticut, Rhode Island and Massachusetts, causing heavy showers in some areas. Forecasters say one inch of rain fell in half an hour in Taunton in southeast Massachusetts.

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#90220u0814 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - Text of President Bush's Wednesday morning address to the nation on his decision to send troops to Saudi Arabia:

In the life of a nation, we're called upon to define who we are and what

we believe. Sometimes these choices are not easy. Today, as president, I ask for your support in the decision I have made to stand up for what is right and condemn what is wrong, all in the cause of peace.

At my direction, elements of the 82nd Airborne Division, as well as key units of the United States Air Force are arriving today to take up defensive positions in Saudi Arabia. I took this action to assist the Saudi Arabian government in the defense of its homeland. No one commits America's armed forces to a dangerous mission lightly. But after, perhaps unparalleled international consultation, and exhausting every alternative, it became necessary to take this action. Let me tell you why.

Less than a week ago in the early morning hours of Aug. 2, Iraqi armed forces, without provocation or warning, invaded a peaceful Kuwait. Facing negligible resistance from its much smaller neighbor, Iraq's tanks stormed in blitzkrieg fashion in a few short hours. With more than 100,000 troops along with tanks, artillery and surface-to-surface missiles, Iraq now occupies Kuwait. This aggression came just hours after Saddam Hussein specifically assured numerouus countries in the area that there would be no invaison. There is no justification whatsoever for this outrageous and brutal act of aggression.

A puppet regime, imposed from the outside, is unacceptable. The acquisition of territory by force is unacceptable. No one, friend or foe, should doubt our desire for peace and no one should underestimate our determination to confront aggression.

Four simple principles guide our policy.

First, we seek the immediate, unconditional and complete withdrawal of all Iraqi forces form Kuwait.

Second, Kuwait's legitimate government must be restored to replace the puppet regime.

And third, my administration, as has been the case with every president, from President Roosevelt to President Reagan, is commited to the security and stability of the Persian Gulf.

And fourth, I am determined to protect the lives of American citizens abroad.

Immediately after the Iraqi invasion, I ordered an embargo of all trade with Iraq. And together with many other nations, announced sanctions that both froze all Iraqi assets in this country and protected Kuwait's assets.

The stakes are high. Iraq is already a rich and powerful country that possesses the world's second largest reserves of oil and over a million

men under arms. The fourth largest military in the world. Our country now imports nearly have the oil it consumes and could face a major threat to its economic independence. Much of the world is even more dependent on imported oil and is even more vulnerable to Iraqi threats.

We succeeded in the struggle for freedom in Europe because we and our allies remained stalwart. Keeping the peace in the Middle East will require no less. We are beginning a new era. This new era can be full of promise, an age of freedom, a time of peace for all peoples. But if history teaches us anything, it is that we must resist aggression or it will destroy our freedoms. Appeasement does not work.

As was the case in the 1930s, we see in Saddam Hussein an aggressive dictator threatening his neighbors. Only 14 days ago, Saddam Hussein promised his friends he would not invade Kuwait. And four days ago he promised the world he would withdraw. And twice we have seen what his promises mean: his promises mean nothing.

In the last few days, I've spoken with political leaders from the Middle East, Europe, Asia, the Americas and I met with Prime Minister Thatcher, Prime Minister Mulroney and NATO general secretary Woerner. And all agree that Iraq cannot be allowed to benefit from its invasion of Kuwait. We agree that this is not an American problem, or a European problem or a Middle East problem. It is the world's problem. And that's why, soon after the Iraqi invasion, the United Nations Security Council, without dissent, condemned Iraq, calling for the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of all of its troops from Kuwait.

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#90220u0836 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 8) UPI - The Chicago Board of Trade has confirmed its former chairman will receive $120,000 in severance pay. A spokesman said Tuesday that Karsten "Cash" Mahlmann, who resigned last week, will be paid the remainder of his $240,000 salary "in recognition of his efforts on behalf of the Board of Trade."

Mahlmann's one-year term would have expired Jan. 22, 1991. He resigned as chairman of the Stotler Group Aug. 1 and later that day also resigned as chairman of the CBOT.

His actions followed allegations that a Stotler subsidiary illegally defrauded customers by using investors' money to make at least $5.5 million in loans to the parent company. A "special master" was appointed to oversee the operation of Stotler's three commodity pools and Stotler was forced into involuntary bankruptcy.

U.S. District Judge Milton Shadur was told by Stotler attorneys at a

hearing Tuesday that $2.8 million wired out of Stotler late Friday was being returned to the special master, Kenneth Rosenzweig.

That transfer apparently violated an order by Shadur freezing all assets of Stotler, although Stotler attorneys said the firm had the authority to make the transfer.

A class action lawsuit was filed Monday charging the Stotler Group with misleading investors about the company's financial condition and internal controls.

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#90220u0838 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - Possible good news about the Hubble Space Telescope. Scientists say two critical instruments aboard the crippled observatory appear to be working properly. And a camera once thought to be out of action altogether might still be able to snap useful pictures. The comments are from Hubble program scientist Edward Weiler.

A smuggling ring that moved thousands of Chinese into the United States and Canada has been smashed. Royal Canadian Mounted Police in Toronto say the arrest of a Pittsburgh man helped smash the ring that operated for two to three years. Some of the people smuggled were hardened criminals who continued their careers in Canada.

Authorities in Napa, California, say 17 people were injured when a freak windstorm slammed four giant hot air balloons to the ground yesterday. Fire Captain Don Cohn says the excursion balloons were tossed about by the surprise thunderstorm and strong winds.

In Window Rock, Arizona, former Navajo Tribal Chairman Peterson Zah and suspended leader Peter McDonald took the two top spots in the primary race for tribal leader. They will face each other in the November general election.

Police in New York City say five AIDS activists were arrested during a demonstration outside the mayor's residence at Gracie Mansion. Members of the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power staged the demonstration outside Mayor Dinkins' mansion last night... to protest plans to house homeless people with AIDS in city shelters.

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#90220u0874 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (AUG. 8) UPI - An AIDS patient from New York died shortly after undergoing an experimental blood-heating treatment by an Atlanta doctor working in Mexico, it was reported Wednesday.

The patient, whose death was announced Tuesday by his doctor in New York, was the third person to undergo the controversial procedure. He died a week ago, 18 hours after the treatment, the Atlanta Constitution reported.

Dr. Kenneth Alonso, one of two Atlanta physicians using the blood-heating treatment, called hyperthermia, said he agreed to treat the New York man at his doctor's request. The patient reportedly was near death before undergoing the procedure.

Alonso told Cable News Network the death of the 48-year-old patient in Mexico was no surprise. Guzman said the patient, who was not identified, was suffering from ''horrendous tumors in his throat, aorta and lungs.''

''What concerns me is that people are expecting miracles,'' he said. ''We're not offering miracles.''

One man who underwent the procedure at Atlanta Hospital in May claims the treatment eliminated the AIDS virus from his body. The second patient has shown only slight progress, doctors said.

Alonso began working in Mexico last month after Georgia health officials shut down Atlanta Hospital for violations unrelated to the hyperthermia experiment. Alonso has said he hopes to use the treatment on up to 10 patients in Mexico.

But Dr. Joseph Guzman, an associate of Alonso, told The Atlanta Constitution that Mexican officials are trying to stop further hyperthermia treatments in that country.

Federico Chavez Peon, director of the Mexican government's National Council for AIDS Prevention and Control, opposed Alonso's efforts to move his experiment to Mexico, calling for a ''more profound investigation of this procedure.''

Guzman said the patient's father paid $50,000 for the procedure.

Dr. William Logan, an Atlanta heart specialist who first advocated use of hyperthermia to treat AIDS-related cancers, is negotiating with hospitals in Illinois and Georgia to perform hyperthermia experiments.

But officials at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases are reviewing the records of the first two cases to determine whether the procedure lives up to claims made by the doctors and by AIDS patient Carl Crawford, who claims the most benefit.

The second patient, Tony Mascio of Chicago, has shown minimal improvement.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush, warning the task could be long and costly, appealed to the American people Wednesday to ''stand up for what is right and condemn what is wrong'' and support his deployment of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia to deter a possible attack by Iraq.

Bush, in a televised Oval Office address, stressed that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's ''blitzkrieg-fashion'' invasion of neighboring Kuwait could not be allowed to stand and he argued that the lessons learned in World War II proved such an ''outrageous and brutal act of aggression'' must not go unanswered.

With a formidable buildup of air, ground and naval forces under way, Bush said the U.S. military role in Saudi Arabia would be ''wholly defensive'' in guarding against aggression by an ''enormous war machine'' of Iraqi forces poised along the Kuwaiti border.

The president said Iraq, which has the world's fourth-largest military, had moved ''more than 100,000 troops, along with tanks, artillery and surface-to-surface missiles'' into Kuwait. Before Bush's speech, it had not been known that Iraq had transported the missiles into Kuwait.

Administration officials have not given details of which U.S. forces are being moved into Saudi Arabia, although sources said thousands of paratroopers and at least 48 F-15 fighters were arriving Wednesday. A light infantry division was expected to be sent later. The United States already has 34 warships in the area, with more en route.

Warning that it would be ''unwise and unrealistic'' to assume that Saddam's adventurism would end with the takeover of Kuwait, Bush said the deployment of U.S. force became necessary only after ''exhausting every alternative.''

''I want to be clear about what we are doing and why,'' Bush said. ''America does not seek conflict, nor do we seek to chart the destiny of other nations. But America will stand by her friends.''

''In a life of a nation, we are called upon to define who we are and what we believe,'' he said. ''Sometimes these choices are not easy. Today, as president, I ask for your support in the decision I've made to stand up for what is right and condemn what is wrong, all in the name of peace.''

''The stakes are high. Iraq is already a rich and powerful country that possesses the world's second largest reserves of oil and over a million men under arms,'' Bush said. ''It's the fourth largest military in the world.''

The president added, ''If history teaches us anything, it is that we must resist aggression or it will destroy our freedoms. Appeasement does not work. As was the case in the 1930s, we see in Saddam Hussein an aggressive dictator threatening his neighbors.''

But while appealing to the public, the president also warned Americans that the job may not be easy and he asked them not to waver in their support.

''Standing up for our principles is an American tradition. As it has so many times before, it may take time and tremendous effort, but most of all it will take unity of purpose,'' Bush said. ''America has never wavered when her purpose is driven by principle. On this August day, at home and abroad, I know she will do no less.''

Many military analysts believe the U.S. deployment of troops in Saudi Arabia may help deter Iraq from invading that oil-rich nation, but most say the forces being sent would be inadequate to drive Hussein from Kuwait.

U.S. officials have emphasized that the combat troops are being sent to protect air bases that would launch attacks against Iraqi armored and air forces in the event of a high-risk push into Saudi Arabia.

Bush said the U.S. forces will ''work together with those of Saudi Arabia and other nations'' in trying to deter and intimidate Saddam, whose lightning strike into Kuwait almost a week ago has led to international condemnation.

Still unclear, however, was whether other Arab nations, such as Egypt and Morocco, would participate in what U.S. officials hoped to see emerge as a multinational force capable of standing up to Saddam.

''No one, friend or foe should doubt our desire for peace and no one should underestimate our determination to confront aggression,'' Bush said.

In the meantime, Bush, who has worked tirelessly in recent days to line up international support for the U.S. position, said the United States would be ''working around the clock to deter Iraqi aggression.''

But Bush made no mention of a new, ominous development in the confrontation: A Washington Post report that U.S. intelligence had detected possible preparations by Iraq to equip its warplanes with chemical weapons.

On Capitol Hill, House Armed Services Committee Chairman Les Aspin, D-Wis. acknowledged reports that the Iraqis had ''loaded and then downloaded'' chemical weapons on aircraft ''rather publicly'' in ''a rather deliberate move'' to send a warning to other countries.

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#90220u0897 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 8) UPI - U-S officials in Jordan say an Iraqi Airways plane landed in Amman today from Baghdad. They say the plane was carrying ''about two dozen Americans,'' 12 Britons and 100 Arabs. It's NOT clear if the passengers were among the foreigners held by Iraq in Baghdad. Also today, state-run Cairo Radio in Egypt reports there has been ''a complete shutdown in the flow of Iraqi oil through the Saudi and Turkish pipelines.''

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein appears to be standing firm against mounting international pressure to withdraw from Kuwait, saying Iraq will fight for ''Arab honor.'' State-run Baghdad radio has announced there will be an ''important message'' broadcast today. It is NOT clear what the statement may be.

NASA engineers at Cape Canaveral will haul the leaking shuttle Atlantis off the launch pad today to make way for the shuttle Columbia, which is supposed to lift off around September 1st. Columbia is tentatively scheduled to begin the three-and-a-half-mile trip to the same launch pad tomorrow. The spaceplane has been fitted with a new fuel line after a defective one forced the grounding of a May flight.

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#90220u0904 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 8) UPI - T. Boone Pickens says the rise in gasoline prices at Indiana's service stations in recent weeks is due not to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait but to "greed ... by some oil companies."

Pickens, an iconoclastic Texas oilman also known as a corporate raider, made the comments Tuesday in Indianapolis before a campaign fund-raiser for Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind. "I think what you're seeing is greed has set in by some oil companies," Pickens said.

He said gasoline now at Indiana service stations was refined long before Iraq's invasion. But prices since then have increased an average of ten cents per gallon, according to the AAA Hoosier Motor Club. "So I think they've been a little quick to draw," Pickens said. "They are taking advantage of the situation."

Americans should, however, expect higher gasoline and oil prices in the coming months, he said. "The Iraqis are heavy in the game and they're going to push the price up," he said. "I think this time next year you could very well be at $25 or $30 (for a barrel of) oil." That's likely even if Iraq pulls out of Kuwait, he said.

"There won't be anybody cheating at OPEC," Pickens said. "They understand the (production) quota now." Pickens said there is a good side to the high prices in that people will be more careful about conserving energy.

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#90220u0911 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - Andrew Young lost his bid yesterday to become Georgia's first black governor. The former Atlanta mayor faced Lieutenant Governor Zell Miller in a Democratic gubernatorial primary election run-off and was defeated by a wide margin. With 93 percent of the vote counted, Miller had 65 percent of the vote compared to Young's 35 percent. Young denies race played a role in his defeat.

The jury in the drug and perjury trial of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry has reached a verdict on one of 14 federal charges facing the mayor. But the panel yesterday chose NOT to reveal its decision. Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson says the jury can return verdicts as they are decided if they choose. Today will be the sixth day of deliberations.

New York police say a 16-year-old boy sprayed bullets into a crowd of young people at an East Side housing project last night, striking three youths. The shooting occurred just hours after members of various community associations gathered in the crime-ridden neighborhood to hold a cook-out and rally against violence. Hospital officials say the victims are in stable condition.

A scientist activist has sent jam made from radioactive mulberries to Washington Governor Booth Gardner and Energy Secretary James Watkins. Norm Buske says he sent the jam to alert officials to the effects of mismanagement of nuclear waste at the Hanford Nuclear Reservation. Buske notified officials he was sending the jam and says the jam is NOT harmful.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Aug. 8:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	63	17
Amsterdam cy	1pm	66	19
Ankara c	3pm	77	25
Athens c	2pm	-	-
Auckland cy	12a	52	11
Beijing cy	8pm	77	25
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	68	20

Bonn pc	1pm	68	20
Brussels c	1pm	63	17
Cairo c	2pm	91	33
Casablanca	12n	78	26
Copenhagen r	1pm	61	16
Dakar pc	12n	85	30
Dublin cy	1pm	65	18
Geneva c	1pm	69	21
Helsinki pc	2pm	66	19
Hong Kong c	8pm	85	30
Jerusalem c	2pm	80	27
Karachi dzl	5pm	79	26
Lisbon c	1pm	84	29
London pc	1pm	73	23
Madrid c	1pm	81	27
Malta c	1pm	87	30
Manila cy	8pm	85	29
Moscow c	3pm	81	27
Nairobi pc	3pm	74	24
Nassau pc	7am	84	29
New Delhi cy	6pm	89	32
Nice ts	1pm	78	26
Oslo cy	1pm	67	20
Paris c	1pm	71	22
Pretoria c	2pm	70	21
Riyadh c	3pm	106	41
Rome pc	1pm	82	28
Seoul pc	9pm	78	26
Sofia pc	2pm	85	30
Stockholm cy	1pm	63	17
Sydney c	10pm	52	11
Taipei pc	8pm	89	31
Tokyo cy	9pm	80	27
Tunis c	1pm	90	32
Vienna cy	1pm	69	21
Warsaw cy	1pm	65	18
Latin America			
Buenos Aires cy	9am	52	11
Caracas pc	8am	73	23
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	58	14
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	69	21
Santiago cy	8am	42	06
Canada			
Calgary c		84	28
Edmonton pc		78	25
Montreal c		67	19

Ottawa c	75	23
Regina c	91	32
Toronto c	75	24
Vancouver pc	77	25
Winnipeg c	91	32

c-clear

cy-cloudy

d-dust

fy-foggy

hz-haze

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

s-snow

w-windy

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#90220u0950 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (AUG. 8) UPI - President Hosni Mubarak called Wednesday for an emergency Arab summit within 24 hours and opened the door to a possible joint Arab peace force to help resolve the Iraq-Kuwait conflict.

The Egyptian President said he feared Iraq could experience a ''severe blow from any direction'' and predicted ''an aggression which could be terrifying and destructive'' if negotiations failed to begin.

Mubarak urged Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw his forces from the tiny Persian Gulf state and restore legitimacy to the deposed regime of Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah, the emir of Kuwait. Mubarak said the present danger in the Middle East had ''no precedent.''

The Egyptian leader, in an address broadcast live on state-run Egyptian television, also criticized Arab nations for their slow response to the Iraqi invasion, indicating the United States, Britain and France had been forced to fill the gap by the Arab world's inaction.

At the moment, Mubarak said, no Egyptian forces were involved in the conflict. U.S. forces arrived in Saudia Arabia Wednesday and U.S. ships were steaming toward the Gulf.

''I appeal from this forum (to) President Saddam Hussein and the Iraqi leadership to respond to the Arab umbrella and withdraw their forces from Kuwait and restore legitimacy to Kuwait ... There are no objections that a joint Arab force will be stationed between the two sides,'' Mubarak said in calling for negotiations to to resolve the conflict.

''I'm sure that this can be effective,'' he said.

But Mubarak also cast a shadow on the reliability of Saddam's words, outlining in detail his discussions with the Iraqi president before the invasion, during which he said he was assured no attack would occur and that the Iraqi forces were only on maneuvers.

''My thought was, as a matter of fact, paralyzed,'' Mubarak said in describing his reaction to first hearing about the Iraqi invasion. ''As a military man I can easily assess the consequences of such a situation ... I couldn't believe what was happening ... Iraq and Kuwait fighting each other - two Arab countries!''

In a 40-minute speech to reporters at the Presidential Palace, Mubarak indicated the Arab nations lacked confidence in each other.

''When you said you wouldn't launch an aggression and you launched an aggression. You say you won't launch an aggression against Saudi Arabia. I don't believe Saudi Arabia will believe it,'' Mubarak said during his speech.

Mubarak's call for an Arab summit within 24 hours, possibly in Egypt, was his latest move in trying to resolve the Iraq-Kuwait conflict. Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 after talks on oil and border disputes broke down between the two sides.

In reaction to apparent criticism for allowing U.S. ships to traverse the Suez Canal, Mubarak said he could not prevent passage to any country's naval fleet unless Egypt was at war with that country.

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#90220u0963 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush likened Iraq's Saddam Hussein to Germany's Adolf Hitler Wednesday in explaining why he ordered U.S. forces into the Persian Gulf.

''If history teaches us anything, it is that we must resist aggression or it will destroy our freedom,'' a grim-faced Bush said in a nationally televised address from the Oval Office.

''As was the case in the 1930s,'' when Hitler's forces marched through Europe, ''we see in Saddam Hussein an aggressive dictator threatening his neighbors,'' Bush said.

''Only 14 days ago, Saddam Hussein promised his friends he would not invade Kuwait,'' Bush said. ''Four days ago, he promised the world he would withdraw. And twice we have seen what his promises mean. His promises mean nothing.''

The president said he sent U.S. troops into Saudi Arabia to counter a possible attack by Iraqi forces now stationed in Kuwait. ''America will stand by her friends,'' he said.

Bush, who served as a Navy pilot during World War II, said, ''We succeeded in the struggle for freedom in Europe because we and our allies remained stalwart. Keeping the peace in the Middle East will require no less.''

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#90220u0972 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

MONROVIA, LIBERIA (AUG. 8) UPI - Rebel leader Prince Johnson has freed Western hostages held by his troops, including an American and at least seven other foreigners, the British Embassy said Wednesday.

''They were released earlier today (Wednesday),'' a British Foreign Office spokesman said the embassy informed London. He said four Britons were among those who were freed in Monrovia, ''but they are not in our hands.''

Details were sketchy because the embassy had not yet talked with the former hostages, the spokesman said.

Earlier reports said Prince Johnson, who is leading an insurgency against President Samuel Doe, held three Britons, two West Germans, a Dutchman, an Argentinian and a U.S. mining contractor identified as Chris Mendes, 27, of California.

The discrepancy in the number of British hostages could not be immediately reconciled.

Seven African countries agreed Tuesday to send a peace-keeping force to Liberia after Johnson threatened to attack the U.S. Embassy in Monrovia in order to provoke international intervention in his country's civil war.

Johnson said he would attack Marines protecting the U.S. Embassy unless a U.S. or West African peace-keeping force was sent to end the fighting. Johnson also said he would hold the foreigners until the peace-keeping forces arrived.

The hostages were abducted from a Monrovia hotel Monday, the day after U.S. Marines evacuated 62 U.S. government employees, relatives and civilians from the war-torn country.

Diplomatic sources said representatives of the seven African countries, meeting in Banjul, Gambia, wanted to hold talks on Liberia that would include all political parties and ethnic groups in order to find a solution to the conflict.

The other rebel leader, Charles Taylor, has been fighting for more than six months to overthrow Doe, who took power in a coup a decade ago. When the rebels reached the capital of Monrovia last month, a splinter group led by Johnson broke from Taylor. Doe has remained in his presidential palace.

The United States evacuated U.S. Embassy personnel Sunday when Johnson threatened to kill foreigners in a bid to force international intervention in the dispute.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said in Washington the Marines would not intervene in the war.

''The U.S. Marines are in Liberia to defend the embassy, with force if necessary,'' she said. ''They are not there to intervene in the fighting.''

The State Department said about 41 embassy personnel, including the U.S. ambassador, would remain in Monrovia with about 300 other Americans.

African diplomats said they did not know how many soldiers would be included in the peace-keeping force or when it would be sent to Liberia.

Gambian President Dawouda Jawara, the host of the talks, said it was no longer possible to allow the situation in Liberia to deteriorate given the high death toll in recent weeks.

The heads of state from the seven countries - Ghana, Gambia, Mali, Nigeria Togo, Sierra Leone, and Guinea - said it would like to organize a provisional Liberian government that would not be dominated by any one of the four main tribes in Liberia, which was founded in 1922 by former American slaves.

If it becomes reality, the peace-keeping force will mark the third time that an all-African army has intervened in a local conflict. Similar peace-keeping operations have been previously conducted in Chad and Zaire.

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#90220u0977 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 8) UPI - Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi contacted Arab leaders to discuss the ''danger'' posed by U.S. troops being deployed in Arab lands, the Libyan news agency said Wednesday.

President Bush ordered U.S. warplanes and troops to Saudi Arabia to guard against a possible attack by Iraq, which last week invaded and took control of Kuwait. The first deployment reportedly arrived in the Saudis' eastern province Wednesday.

Gadhafi telephoned seven Arab leaders to talk about the ''danger posed to Arab freedom and dignity'' by the deployment of U.S. forces on Arab land, said a report by the Libyan news agency JANA monitored by the British Broadcasting Corp.

The contacts, which took place late Tuesday and early Wednesday, covered ''the crisis in the Arab Gulf, the start of the landing of American forces on Arab territories, and the danger this poses for Arab freedom and dignity,'' JANA said.

Gadhafi talked to Algerian President Bendjedid Chadli, Yemen President Ali Abdullah Saleh, Tunisian President Zine el Abidine Ben Ali, King Hassan of Morocco, King Hussein of Jordan, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat, the agency said.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 8) UPI - The American Bar Association House of Delegates Wednesday narrowly voted to rescind their pro-choice abortion stance and adopt a neutral position on the issue.

Following nearly two hours of debate, the delegates voted 200-188 to remain neutral on abortion, affirming an 885-837 vote taken Monday by the ABA General Assembly.

The neutrality position now becomes ABA policy.

The vote followed hints from the administration that the ABA's influence in Washington would dwindle unless it reversed its pro-choice stance. Attorney General Dick Thornburgh Monday told the lawyers' group the administration might pay less attention to ABA judge ratings if the pro-choice stance was not rescinded.

''Choosing sides is unnecessary and harmful to the association as a whole '' said Charles Weiss of St. Louis at the opening of Wednesday's debate.

''While we in the past have taken stands on controversial issues none have struck such a deep cord as (the abortion stand).''

Weiss said rescinding the policy ''is the right thing to do. It is in the best interest of the association as whole. It will allow many of our colleagues to remain a part of us.''

Shortly after the ABA adopted its pro-choice stance in February, hundreds of its 360,000 members dropped out of the group. The ABA Board of Governors previously recommended scrapping the pro-choice position.

Abortion rights activists have spent the week lobbying to defeat the neutrality resolution.

Gloria Allred, an attorney representing Norma McCorvey, the Jane Roe of the landmark U.S. Supreme Court case that granted women the right to an abortion, said those supporting neutrality are just trying to ''neutralize the power and the influence of the ABA.''

''I don't think the ABA should be neutral on an issue of such import, such significance,'' she said earlier this week. ''And, really, to be neutral, I think, is to buy into the anti-choice position, and that's why we're opposed to this so-called position of neutrality.''

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#90220u0984 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush called on oil companies Wednesday to ''show restraint'' and not to exploit the Persian Gulf crisis with unnecessary price hikes, and asked Americans ''to do their part'' with conservation.

In a nationwide address, Bush also said he will call on oil-producing nations to increase production ''in order to minimize any impact that oil flow reductions'' in the Middle East will have on the world economy.

The United States imports nearly half of its oil, much of it from the Persian Gulf, where Iraqi forces have occupied Kuwait and now pose a threat to Saudi Arabia.

Since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last Thursday, gasoline prices in the United States have increased an average of 12.6 cents per gallon, triggering charges of price gouging by consumer groups and lawmakers.

Bush, concerned about the impact of the energy supply and prices on the economy, also said, ''I will explore whether we and our allies should draw down on our strategic petroleum reserves,'' which now holds about 600 million barrels.

''Conservation measures can also help,'' Bush said in a televised speech

from the Oval Office, during which he formally announced the deployment of U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia.

''Americans everywhere must do their part,'' the president said. ''I'm asking the oil companies to do their fair share. They should show restraint and not abuse today's uncertainties to raise prices.''

Oil industry officials deny the American consumer is being cheated. They say that fuel price increases are legitimate and directly linked to higher costs caused by Middle East turmoil.

But lawmakers vowed Tuesday to seek anti-price gouging legislation against oil companies, saying the government is powerless to stop ''virtual thievery'' by the industry in raising the cost of fuel.

''The American public is angry,'' Sen. Richard Bryan, D-Nev., told the oil executives at a Senate Commerce Committee hearing. ''They are mad as ell.''

At congressional hearings, some legislators and economists urged the Bush administration to sell oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve as a way to reduce market concerns about future supply shortages and, thus, slow rising crude oil prices.

Administration officials said that action was not warranted and that the reserve should be used only to cope with shortages, not to counter price swings.

An Energy Department official said the U.S.-led embargo against Iraq oil could trigger a ''severe energy supply interruption'' requiring use of the 590 million barrel reserve.

Oil industry officials also suggested the government might want to tap the reserve to calm oil markets and make up shortfalls.

But they spent most of their time rejecting intense criticism from lawmakers, some of whom accused the industry of being unpatriotic in imposing potentially ruinous gasoline price hikes on the U.S. economy.

The oil executives denied they were taking advantage of American consumers and said the price increases were the natural result of crude oil price hikes of $8 a barrel since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Bryan said most Americans were prepared to accept some sacrifices to stop Iraq, but he added: ''That in no way justifies the virtual thievery that we have seen over the last few days. The giant coprorations are plundering the American consumer.''

Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., went further, saying of the industry's behavior:

"It raises questions even about patriotism and the best interests of the country."

Legislators said the price hikes were especially galling because they followed two similar episodes last year - volcanic gasoline price rises in the wake of the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska last March and the huge heating oil price increases during last December's cold snap.

Despite growing public outrage, administration officials and lawmakers agreed the president had no authority to roll back such price hikes, no matter how suspicious they seemed.

They said Bush's only options were ''jawboning'' the industry to reduce prices or launching an anti-trust investigation into possible collusion by oil companies to boost prices - a tough crime to prove.

The Justice Department expressed concern about the price hikes Monday and said it would closely examine oil industry behavior for possible anti-competitive activity. Kerry said Attorney General Dick Thornburgh had ''already articulated a kind of powerlessness.''

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#90220u0988 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

GALVESTON, TX (AUG. 8) UPI - The Coast Guard and state officials said Wednesday that oil-eating microbes used on the spill in Galveston Bay appear to be working but it will be weeks before test results can confirm it.

Meanwhile, cleanup crews worked on isolated pockets of oil around Houston Point in the northern reaches of the bay. The 700,000-gallon spill began July 28 when a Greek tanker collided with three barges.

A ban on shrimp and oyster harvesting in the bay remains in effect but might be lifted soon, Texas Water Commission Chairman B.J. ''Buck'' Wynne said.

Laboratory results from the Texas Department of Health will determine when the partial fishing ban will be lifted. Richard Thompson, director of the division of shell fish sanitation control for the health department, said lab results should be completed Wednesday afternoon.

''I would expect to see the shrimp come out OK, but I'm not as optimistic about the crabs and oysters coming out OK,'' Thompson said. ''I hope to get an answer so these shrimpers can get out and make a living.''

Wynne and Coast Guard Capt. Thomas Greene late Tuesday surveyed Marrow Marsh near Cedar Bayou on Houston Point, where oil-eating microbes were

sprayed Sunday and Monday.

Both men said they could see some change in the oil since the microbes were applied. The Environmental Protection Agency is testing water samples taken before and after the microbe application.

''It's beginning to break up in little blotches and there was white bubbles, kind of a froth, that was evidence of the microbe activity. It was even more pronounced in areas where there was a slick on the water itself in this little inlet,'' Wynne said.

In bioremediation, a powder of dried microbes is mixed with water and sprayed onto oil-stained water, beaches or marshlands. The microbes reduce oil to an emulsion of fatty acid that sinks and is consumed by marine life. The microbes die when the oil is gone.

''We saw some oil there against the boom,'' Greene said. ''There are some changes going on. On top, it looks like regular oil, but when you stir it with a stick, there is light oil underneath. I'm told ... there's some kind of bioremediation going on.''

Greene said most of the remaining oil - the largest area having about 1,000 gallons - will be cleaned up by using vacuum trucks and absorbent pads. All cleanup efforts should be completed by the end of the week, he said.

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ORLANDO, FL (AUG. 8) UPI - A Florida man has apparently become the first American convicted of counterfeiting Polish currency and faces 20 years in prison and a fine of $500,000.

Longwood resident Joseph Hill, 61, was convicted Tuesday of charges he manufactured 3 million zlotys, an amount worth about $316, said Rick Johnson, head of the Secret Service office in Orlando.

''The guy could have printed a boxcar full of them and not have enough to buy an expensive suit,'' Johnson said. ''We can only speculate that he was going to return to Poland and live like a king.''

According to Secret Service records, no other American has been convicted of counterfeiting Polish currency, Johnson said. A spokeswoman for the Polish Embassy in Washington said that it takes 9,500 zlotys to equal $1.

Hill, a former building contractor, also was convicted of counterfeiting an unspecified amount of U.S. notes. The jury deliberated about 90 minutes before returning its verdict.

Hill faces $500,000 in fines and up to 20 years in prison when sentenced on Oct. 17.

Hill was arrested on June 15 after police arrested Timothy Clayton, 25, for passing two counterfeit $20 bills at a gas station. Clayton led authorities to Hill's home, where Secret Service agents found burned pieces of $20, $50 and $100 bills in a fireplace. Charges against Clayton were dropped.

Investigators found a color laser copier and 15 Polish bills in 200,000 zloty denominations.

Hill, who is married to a Polish woman and traveled to Poland earlier this year, testified that he was not involved in the scheme. He said he got the $19,000 laser copier to duplicate greeting cards and make wallpaper.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Careercom (3rd Q 6-30)	
$28,999,000	$36,077,000
d-$2,253,000	$301,000 (.03)
d-Deficit.	
Cascades Inc (2nd Q 6-30)	
$199,202,000	$171,904,000
$5,049,000 (.10)	a-$8,987,000 (.19)
a-Includes a $5,401,000 non-recurring gain.	
Clorox Co (4th Q 6-30)	
$434,619,000	$413,609,000
$42,346,000 (.78)	$40,789,000 (.34)
Garan Inc (3rd Q 6-30)	
$32,534,000	$35,624,000
$2,005,000 (.80)	$2,552,000 (1.01)
Granite Const (2nd Q 6-30)	
$138,700,000	$117,692,000
$5,946,000 (.53)	$4,409,000 (.44)
Hoechst Celanese (2nd Q 6-30)	
$1,496,000,000	$1,578,000,000

$67,000,000 $83,000,000

Knape & Vogt (4th Q 6-30)
$33,201,519 $30,527,034
a-$5,980,773 (1.53) $1,440,356 (.37)
a-Includes an after-tax gain of about $4 million, or $1.03 per share, from the previously announced sale of the company's La Mirada, California facility.

Liqui-Box Corp (2nd Q 6-30)
$31,090,000 $25,732,000
$3,262,000 (1.43) a-$2,655,000 (1.15)
a-Includes $326,000 pre-tax gain from plant sale.

Novacare Inc (4th Q 6-30)
$30,191,000 $19,682,000
$3,915,000 (.27) $1,810,000 (.13)

Pacific Ent (2nd Q 6-30)
$1,604,000,000 $1,545,000,000
d-$229,000,000 $53,000,000 (.78)
d-Deficit. Includes $275 million, or $3.94 a share, in pretax charges to earnings of the company's oil and gas retailing business.

Softsel Computer (2nd Q 6-30)
$325,377,000 $142,014,000
d-$1,104,000 $2,124,000 (.17)
d-Deficit.

Trans Mt Pipe (2nd Q 6-30)
$20,519,000 $19,835,000
$2,040,000 (.24) $4,165,000 (.55)

Turner Corp (2nd Q 6-30)
$836,669,000 $942,304,000
$2,052,000 (.36) $1,338,000 (.30)

Viacom Inc (2nd Q 6-30)
$383,114,000 $363,919,000
d-$20,037,000 d-$34,710,000
d-Deficit.

Woolworth Corp (2nd Q 7-28)
$2,191,000,000 $1,983,000,000
$50,000,000 (.39) 48,000,000 (.37)

#90220u1011 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NAGASAKI, JAPAN (AUG. 8) UPI - Despite having been shot barely six months ago, the mayor of Nagasaki said Wednesday he would again denounce Japan's World War II behavior on the 45th anniversary of his city's demolition by an atomic bomb.

''I cannot say there is no danger,'' Mayor Hitoshi Motoshima, 68, told reporters. ''But at this age, I'm not going to change my beliefs.''

Motoshima said that in his annual ''peace declaration'' on Thursday he wouldurge the Japanese government to make reparations to the thousands of Chinese, Koreans and other foreigners who were in Nagasaki when the atom bomb fell on Aug. 9, 1945, three days after a similar U.S. atomic attack on Hiroshima.

''We brought those people (to the city) by force. Just apologizing does not solve anything,'' Motoshima said.

Motoshima enraged right-wing extremists in 1988 by saying the late Emperor Hirohito bore some responsibilty for World War II.

This year, the mayor was shot in the back Jan. 18 as he was leaving City Hall. The bullet passed through his lung, narrowly missing the heart. His alleged assailant, arrested on the spot, was a well-known rightist.

Motoshima now lives under 24-hour police protection and the threats continue. The leader of a right-wing group, in an interview published Saturday in The Japan Times, said the mayor will eventually be attacked again for his views.

Nevertheless, Motoshima continues to speak out, both against the bombing that claimed 78,000 lives in Nagasaki and the war that provoked it.

He calls the bombing a crime against humanity, but adds, ''It resulted from 100 years of Japanese aggression against other countries.

''People around the world, and especially in Asia, were jumping for joy when the bomb fell. That gives us cause to reflect deeply.''

Motoshima, a former high school teacher, stands out among Japanese for his candor. Those who know him say his belief in Catholicism compels him to speak his conscience, even at the risk of assassination.

Nagasaki was for four centuries the center of Japan's tiny Christian community. The Christians were driven underground by government persecution that begin in the 17th century. But the faith persisted and re-emerged in the 19th century after Japan reopened to the world.

The atomic bomb, nicknamed ''Fat Man,'' exploded with the power of 22,000 tons of dynamite over the heart of Nagasaki's Catholic community. It shattered the Urakami Cathedral and killed or maimed most of the 15,000 Catholics who lived nearby.

Although the city has rebuilt, many of the survivors, Christians and others, continue to suffer.

Special hospitals and rest homes have been set up for them. Even those who were not burned, crippled or maimed now face a high risk of cancer from their exposure to the bomb's radiation, medical authorities said.

Many lost their entire families and have no one to depend on in their old age.

In his declaration Thursday, Motoshima said he plans to ask the government to provide care for all atom-bomb survivors, inside and outside Japan.

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#90220u1017 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush appealed to the American people this morning to- as he put it- ''stand up for what's right and condemn what's wrong'' by supporting his movement of U-S troops to Saudi Arabia. In a nationally broadcast address, Bush called the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait an ''outrageous and brutal act of aggression.'' Bush said the American troops in Saudi Arabia are on a purely defensive mission... to guard against further aggression by the more than 100-thousand troops Iraq has in Kuwait.

Bush says the American troops in Saudi Arabia will work with the Saudis and forces of other nations. The president has worked tirelessly since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait to build a multi-national response to the attack. Bush acknowledged that the stakes are high in the Persian Gulf and said the U-S goal is to secure an unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and restoration of the emirate's government.

Several American units have been deployed to Saudi Arabia, including the 82nd Airborne Division, the 24th Light Infantry Division, B15 fighters from Virginia. Defense Secretary Cheney secured permission from Egypt for the nuclear carrier U-S-S Eisenhower to move through the Suez Canal to the Red Sea.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says his nation will fight on for what he termed ''Arab honor.'' And state-run Baghdad Radio called on the Arab world to tune in for ''an important statement'' this evening. There are reports that Iraq will announce the annexation of Kuwait. Cairo Radio, meanwhile, reported a total shutdown of the movement of Iraqi oil in pipelines through Turkey and Saudi Arabia.

Western diplomats say the Iraqi foreign minister may have been ousted in a power struggle. They point out that Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz disappeared from public view amid the crisis over the invasion of Kuwait. The diplomats say Aziz dropped out of sight on Friday... at about the time Iraq announced the execution of some 120 military officers who refused to take part in the invasion of Kuwait.

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#90220u1020 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
INCREASED				
Marsh Supermarkets	Q	.10	11-5	10-19
USUAL				
BankAmerica Corp	Q	.25	9-10	8-22
Cntrl Ill Publ Svc	Q	.46	9-10	8-17
Emerson Electric	Q	.31 1/2	9-10	8-17
Liberty Corp	Q	.23	9-30	9-15
Natl Insurance Grp	Q	.05	9-5	8-20
Nature's Sunshine	Q	.06	8-31	8-23
Precision Castpart	Q	.03	10-1	9-7
Sigma-Aldrich Corp	Q	.10	9-14	8-31
TNP Enterprises	Q	.40 3/4	9-15	8-24

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 8) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Tuesday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 77-80; large 73-79; medium 53-59.

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#90220u1052 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

RASHAYA, LEBANON (AUG. 8) UPI - Rival Shiite groups clashed Wednesday in the Syrian-policed Bekaa Valley in eastern Lebanon, killing two people and wounding nine others, police and security sources said.

Gunmen from both the pro-Syrian Amal movement and the Iranian-backed Hezbollah exchanged machine-gun fire and rocket propelled grenades in the village of Sohmor in southwestern Bekaa valley, 28 miles east of Beirut, police said.

Police sources said an Amal militiaman was killed and five others were wounded. They said a Lebanese soldier was also killed and a Lebanese Army officer was injured when an army force, stationed at the entrance of Sohmor, tried to intervene and stop the clashes.

Security sources said Amal militiamen ambushed the convoy of Sheikh Abdallah Badaoui, a prominent Hezbollah leader, in the nearby Majdal Balhees village.

Sheikh Badaoui along with his family escaped unharmed while eight of his bodyguards were taken prisoner by Amal, security sources said. They said three of the bodyguards were injured.

Amal and Hezbollah have been engaged in fierce fighting for control of the strategic district of Iqlim Al Toffah, east of the port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut, since last December.

More than 1,000 people have been killed since rival groups started fighting three years ago for control of Lebanon's estimated 1.5 million Shiites.

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#90220u1059 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush said Wednesday the United States was moving troops and aircraft to Saudi Arabia for defensive reasons and the ''protection of American life,'' but insisted the nation was not at war in the Middle East.

At a White House news conference only hours after he appealed for public support for the military deployment, Bush said the main purpose of the move was defensive and not to try to drive Iraqis out of Kuwait.

''We are hoping the economic boycott will do that,'' Bush said. ''Nobody can stand up forever to total economic deprivation.''

''We're not in a war,'' Bush told reporters. ''We've sent forces to defend Saudi Arabia.''

Bush stressed that the United States, as well as other countries he would not identify, were moving troops into Saudi Arabia at the request of the Saudi government.

''Hopefully our presence there will prevent (Iraqi) adventurism into other gulf countries,'' Bush said.

Bush said he did not want to heighten tensions in the Persian Gulf, but added: ''I can provide only the assurance that I consider the protection of American fife fundamental to my job and responsibilities as president.''

As he did in his speech to the nation, Bush refused to delve into details of the U.S. military operation, although he indicated that other countries including Great Britain and other Arab nations, would join the United States in defending Saudi Arabia.

Bush said he would leave it up to Saudi Arabia to announce which other countries were asked to help defend the country, but he added that Egyptian President Hosni Mubarek was in ''very close agreement with him'' for the need of a multinational presence.

He added that he believed the Soviet Union had ''been very responsible in my view. They've joined the United Nations resolution (calling for sanctions against Iraq). I can't ask for a more favorable response.''

Asked his reaction to reports that Iraq was showing signs of using chemical weapons in the region, the president said such a step would be ''intolerable and would be dealt with very, very severely.''

Bush appeared tired but firm as he answered questions in the middle of the biggest foreign policy crisis of his administration.

''If this international lesson is taught well, Saddam Hussein would behave differently in the future,'' Bush said.

''A line has been drawn in the sand and I must say we are getting very, very firm support from around the world,'' the president added. ''I would hope that all of this would result in (Iraqi leader) Saddam Hussein or some calmer heads in Iraq'' pulling out of Kuwait.

Bush said despite the tensions in the Middle East and the boyvott of oil from Kuwait and Iraq, he hoped prices would drop once it was understood there were sufficient oil reserves.

''We have a reserve,'' Bush said. ''I hope that this rapid spike on oil prices will not be permanent.''

Bush insisted the United States had tried ''very hard'' to improve

relations with Iraq, but ''that had to stop with this type of agression. We've still been very, very wary all along of his intentions.''

The president also said he had no information on rumors from the Middle East that Hussein was dead.

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#90220u1071 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - Rising oil prices from the Middle East crisis, coupled with poor domestic economic policy desisions, have propelled the U.S. economy toward recession, economists said Wednesday.

"While Iraqi adventurism in the Middle East is exacerbating this country's economic weakness, the impending recession is due to bad economic policy by the U.S. government," said Richard Rahn, vice president and chief economist of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

"The Federal Reserve Board has left the economy no margin for error, and by fulfilling Murphy's law, the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait only makes a bad situation worse," Rahn said.

The chamber said "anti-growth Fed high-interest rate policy," which has been used to fight inflation, has brought the economy down faster and further than intended.

Last month, Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan told Congress that the economy was edging toward recession and hinted that interest rates might be lowered if the budget deficit is trimmed substantially. Lower interest rates would loosen corporate pursestrings and encourage spending.

The forecast of a "mild" recession was compiled before last week's invasion of Kuwait by Iraq, which heightened tensions in the oil-rich and volatile Middle East, Rahn added.

The economy is in a recession when economic growth shows little, no, or negative growth for two consecutive quarters. The last recession to hit the U.S. economy in 1981-82.

"We anticipate that the economy will grind to a virtual standstill during the thrid quarter of this year and actually contract by 1.4 percent in the fourth quarter," Rahn said.

Since the invasion, oil prices have skyrocketed worldwide, leading to a sharp increase in gasoline prices of an average of 12.6 cents per gallon. With the U.S economy already showing signs of softness in several sectors, rising oil prices have cut into corporate spending plans and consumers' pocketpooks.

"The oil price rise will aggravate the economic downturn," Rahn said, adding that a $5 per barrel increase in the price of oil could reduce U.S. economic growth by 0.5 percent.

Oil is currently selling for about $28 a barrel and several economist believe a mild recession could last for about six months if oil settles at about $25 a barrel. Should prices push beyond $30 a barrel, the recession could last longer.

Phillip Verleger, a visiting fellow at the Institute of International Economics, told the Joint Economic Committee that a price runup appears inevitable because oil exporting nations will not be able to replace more than one-third of the oil lost from Kuwait and Iraq due to the embargo.

"Prices will undoubtedly go higher, possibly reaching $40 (a barrel) to $50 (a barrel) in the absence of action by consuming nations," he said. "This new price shock will almost certainly trigger a recession in both the United States and possibly throughout the industrialized world."

Verleger said real GNP will decline by one or two percent in the current quarter and three to four percent in the fourth. Unemployment could rise to 7.5 percent by the middle of 1991, he said.

However, Joel Popkin, an economist, told the panel that oil prices would probably stabilize due to natural reaction of the market. He said as prices rise, supplies will increases and demand will slacken, providing downward pressure on prices.

But Popkin said the price increase was "badly timed," coming before Federal Reserve had succeeded in its battle against inflation. "If oil prices stay up for 2-3 months, a recession could become a reality," he said.

President Bush, in his address to the nation, said he will look to other countries to offset oil shortages created by the embargo against Iraq and Kuwait and explore whether oil should be drawn from the 600 million-barrel U.S. Strategic Petroleum Reserve, intended for use in acute emergencies.

In the face of a sharp rise in gasoline prices, which has provoked charges of price gouging at the pump, Bush vowed efforts to "minimize any impact that oil flow reductions will have on the world economy" and urged oil companies not to "abuse today's uncertainties to raise prices."

Rahn said the economy could rebound by the third quarter of next year if the Fed, Congress, and the Bush administration adopts pro-growth economic policies.

The chamber called on the White House and Congress to restrain the level

of federal spending, cut the capital gains tax rate, enact a moratorium on new economic regulations and open to the public the Fed's decision-making process.

"There is nothing the Fed can do to lessen the economic impact of a protracted rise in the price of oil, and if it attempts to do so, it will repeat the experience of the 1970s and give us more inflation," Rahn said.

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#90220u1095 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 84-86; large 81-84 and mediums 61-64.

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#90220u1099 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - The Federal Reserve warned Wednesday the pace of economic growth is weakening and that consumer prices are rising dramatically in many parts of the country.

Although the data in the Fed's regular "beige book" assessment of the economy was collected before the start of hostilities in the Mideast and subsequent jump in energy prices, it echoes the concerns of many economists.

"Business and banking contacts... generally report continued economic growth, though most noted that the pace was slow or had slackened recently " the Fed's report said.

"Wages were reported as rising in a range of three to five percent, in most cases excluding benefits," the Fed said. "Reports on prices did not display as much consensus, with some reporting widespread increases and other noting difficulty in passing on cost increases."

But gas and oil companies and farmers appeared to be optimistic, "reflecting better weather conditions in major crop and livestock producing areas and an improved energy sector," the report said.

Retail sales showed marginal improvement over last year, the report indicated, but demand has fallen off for "big ticket" goods, such as

expensive household appliances.

In some regions of the country, "retailers indicated they had become less optimistic about the outlook for the rest of the year, though in others they were anticipating a slight pickup in sales," the Fed said.

Manufacturing was flat, real estate and construction remained weak and borrowed money was difficult to obtain in many places, further evidence of a "credit crunch" on businesses by banks and other lenders. The 12 Federal Reserve Districts reported the following regional observations:

Boston - Growth appears to be "slow and slowing." Retailers and wholesalers report soft sales, intense price competition, inventory trimming. Most businesses expected weak economic conditions through 1991.

New York - Unemployment below national average, but retailers have varied sales. Despite pickup in office leasing, vacancy rates have moved somewhat higher in Manhattan. Homebuilding activity weakening.

Philadelphia - Pace of growth easing. Manufacturers report slowdown. Retailers report sales down. Auto sales off. Bankers report loan growth slowing overall, but consumer lending up.

Cleveland - Revival reported in manufacturing sector. Consumer spending improving after slump earlier in year. Retailers "cautiously optimistic about sales prospects for fall season."

Richmond - Business conditions weakening. Tourism not as strong as past summers. Retail sales off. Manufacturing activity softening. Port activity mostly unchanged. Crop conditions improved.

Atlanta - More slow growth expected. Businesses report increased efforts to conserve cash by not paying suppliers promptly. Factories posting modest growth. Real estate and business lending up.

Chicago - Mixed economic conditions. Employment rebounded in May after two months of modest declines. Crop prices volatile, but weather conditions ideal. Manufacturing reports modest gains.

St. Louis - Sluggish economic growth. Manufacturers plan to eliminate several thousand jobs in near future. Retail growth generally flat. Loan growth slowed at largest banks in region.

Minneapolis - Economic conditions moderately good. Labor markets strengthening. Retail sales growing. Tourism strong. But new cars selling slowly and housing activity has been lackluster.

Kansas City - Moderate growth reported. Oil and gas drilling has picked up

recently, remaining well above level of a year ago. Winter wheat yields are average or better.

Dallas - Slow growth reported. Retail sales outpacing rest of nation. Oil and gas drilling "has reached a plateau." Low soil moisture causing problems for farmers. Small upturn in construction.

San Francisco - Conditions remain satisfactory. Many real esate markets exhibit "robust activity," but factory activity appears flat. Retailers report satisfactory sales.

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#90220u1101 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG.8) UPI - CHRONOLOGY: CONFLICT IN THE MIDDLE EAST

The following is a chronology of recent conflicts in the Middle East.
1948:

The United Nations voted to partition Palestine to create a Jewish homeland and Israel became an independent nation. Arab nations attacked the new state the following day. It took a year for cease-fire agreements to be negotiated.

1956:

Israel invaded Egypt after President Gamel Nasser closed the Suez Canal to Israeli ships. First British and French and then U.N. forces occupied the canal banks until a cease-fire was negotiated the following year.

1957:

U.S. Marines were dispatched to Beirut at the request of Lebanese President Camille Chamoun, who had failed to put down a Moslem insurrection even with the help of a U.N. peace-keeping force. The turmoil eventually faded and Chamoun served to the end of his term.

1967:

Egypt closed the Gulf of Aqaba to Israeli ships, sparking the Six-day War that pitted Israel against a united Egypt, Jordan and Syria. The fighting halted June 10 under a U.N.-arranged cease-fire, leaving Israel in possession of Arab East Jerusalem and the West Bank, (formerly Jordan), the Golan Heights, (formerly Syria), and the Gaza Strip and Sinai Peninsula, (formerly Egypt).

1970:

Jordanian troops defeated Palestinian guerrillas in the short Black September civil war and drove the Palestine Liberation Organization from the country.

1973:

The Yom Kippur War began on that Jewish holiday Oct. 6, when Egypt and Syria attacked Israel to regain their lost territories. A cease-fire took effect Oct. 24.

1975:

Civil war broke out in Lebanon between Christian Phalangists and leftist Moslems. Syria sent troops into the conflict the following year as part of an Arab peace-keeping force.

1978:

Israeli Prime Minister Menachim Begin and President Anwar Sadat of Egypt signed the Camp David peace accord on Oct. 12, under which Israel ended its occupation of some of Egyptian territory. Most Arab nations broke relations with Egypt in retaliation.

1979:

Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi was overthrown in Iran and replaced by the Islamic fundamentalist Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, whose militants seized the U.S. Embassy in Tehran and held Americans hostage until January 1981. A rescue attempt failed when U.S. military helicopters crashed in the Iranian desert.

1980:

Iraq invaded Iran after months of border clashes, starting a deadly war that raged off and on for eight years and killed hundreds of thousands on both sides.

1981:

Sadat was assassinated Oct. 6 while reviewing a military parade in Cairo and was replaced by Hosni Mubarak, who vowed to continue Sadat's peace efforts.

On Dec. 14, Israel annexed Syria's Golan Heights, which it had occupied since the 1967 war.

1982:

Israel invaded Lebanon and occupied Beirut, forcing out the PLO. A U.N. peace-keeping force that included U.S. Marines was dispatched to the troubled country and Israeli troops retreated to a self-proclaimed security zone in Southern Lebanon.

1983:

Terrorists blew up the U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut, killing 241 Americans in a protest against U.S. presence in Lebanon. The United States withdrew its peace-keeping forces from the country the following year.

1985:

Jordan and the PLO announced a Middle East peace plan that called for the return of occupied Arab land in exchange for Arab recognition of Israel, but Israel rejected the offer and refused to negotiate.

The year was unamatched in terrorism in the Middle East, including the seizure of the luxury liner Achille Lauro in the Mediterranean, five hijackings, car bombs, kidnappings and air strikes between Lebanon and Israel.

1986:

The United States staged an air attack on Libya in retaliation for alleged terrorist acts, bombing leader Moammar Gadhafi's headquarters in Tripoli and killing dozens of Libyans.

1988:

Iraq and Iran agreed to an uneasy cease-fire negotiated by the United Nations, ending the eight-year Persian Gulf war.

1990:

Iraq invaded the tiny oil-rich emirate of Kuwait in a dispute over oil production quotas and borders. The United States led the world in an economic boycott of Iraq and sent troops to Saudi Arabia to guard against an invasion of the kingdom.

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#90220u1123 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

JAKARTA, INDONESIA (AUG. 8) UPI - Chinese Premier Li Peng said Wednesday Beijing will never support the Khmer Rouge as the dominant power in Cambodia and ruled out a battlefield solution to the 11-year-old conflict.

Li, the first Chinese prime minister to visit Indonesia in 25 years, made

the remarks after China and Indonesia formally resumed diplomatic relations in a ceremony at Merdeka Palace ending a 23-year freeze.

In a wide-ranging news conference, Li also said he has no objections to President Bush ordering U.S. ground troops and combat aircraft to bases in Saudi Arabia to help Saudi forces defend against a possible Iraqi attack.

''In general terms, China is opposed to the military involvement of big powers in the Middle East because the situation in the Middle East is complicated enough,'' Li said.

''However, Saudi Arabia is a sovereign state,'' Li said. ''If it wants to invite U.S. armed forces to help maintain its safety out of security considerations, then we respect the decision of Saudi Arabia.''

Li and President Suharto witnessed the signing of the historic document by Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas and his Chinese counterpart, Qian Qichen.

The two sides agreed to provide temporary offices for embassies in Beijing and Jakarta and to dispatch advance teams to resolve the technical matters concerning the opening of their respective embassies.

Jakarta broke off relations with Beijing in 1967, charging China with complicity in an unsuccessful coup attempt, an accusation China has steadfastly denied.

Indonesia followed Saudi Arabia to become the second country establishing diplomatic relations with China since the suppression of pro-democracy demonstrators in June 1989.

Li heads to Singapore Saturday to accelerate restoration of diplomatic ties with the island nation. Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew has said Singapore would follow Indonesia in normalizing links.

Although China arms the Khmer Rouge, the most powerful of the three resistance factions fighting the Hanoi-backed government in Cambodia, Li said, ''China will never support the Khmer Rouge to dominate power.''

Criticizing the recent U.S. policy shift withdrawing diplomatic recognition of the resistance at the United Nations, Li said, ''The seat should be left as it is.'' He adopted the same stance as the six-member Association of Southeast Asian Nations, still bristling over the U.S. move.

Li said China would stop arming the Khmer Rouge ''if other countries stop their military assistance.'' The Soviet Union bankrolls Hanoi, and the United States provides non-lethal aid to the non-communist factions headed by Prince Norodom Sihanouk.

U.S. officials have stressed the main reason for the turnaround was the fear the Khmer Rouge could fight their way back into power. The Khmer Rouge are blamed for the deaths of more than 1 million Cambodians during their harsh, communist rule from 1975 to 1979 when they were toppled by the Vietnamese.

In response to the urgings of Suharto that China convince the Khmer Rouge peaceful negotiations are the best way to end the bloodshed, Li said, ''China is ready to make its due effort for seeking a political settlement''

He said, however, ''China cannot order anyone around or act as a surrogate for the Cambodian factions.''

Backing a power-sharing arrangement pending free elections under U.N. supervision, Li said, ''Any solution must have the agreement of all four '' including the Phnom Penh government.

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#90220u1130 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush, drawing a line in the sand of the Arabian desert, said Wednesday he ordered U.S. troops and warplanes to Saudi Arabia to defend the oil kingdom from possible attack by Iraq.

Bush, in a televised Oval Office address, stressed that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's ''blitzkrieg'' invasion of Kuwait could not be allowed to stand and he argued that the lessons learned in World War II proved such an ''outrageous and brutal act of aggression'' must not go unanswered.

With a formidable buildup of air, ground and naval forces under way, Bush said the U.S. military role in Saudi Arabia would be ''wholly defensive'' in guarding against aggression by an ''enormous war machine'' of Iraqi forces poised along the Kuwaiti border.

At a later news conference, the president stressed, ''We are not in a war '' but underlined his determination to challenge Saddam by declaring, ''A line has been drawn in the sand. ... This kind of international behavior is unacceptable.''

While saying the U.S. forces - including a massive naval presence - are ''not there to drive Iraqi forces out of Kuwait,'' Bush said his aim is to ''try to reverse out this aggression.''

Bush said he expects Iraq will be forced to withdraw by the effects of international economic sanctions approved the United Nations and said there will be other ''steps taken to be sure they are effective'' - an

indication a full-scale blockade may be used to choke Iraq's oil-dominated economy.

In his early morning speech, Bush said Iraq has ''the world's fourth-largest military'' with 1 million men under arms and had moved ''more than 100,000 troops, along with tanks, artillery and surface-to-surface missiles'' into Kuwait. Bush's revelation was the first word Iraq had transported the missiles into Kuwait.

Under questioning later, Bush said he was ''concerned about'' reports Iraq was mobilizing chemical weapons units. He noted Iraq has used chemical warfare in the past but ''it would be intolerable'' if U.S. forces were attacked with poison gas and ''would be dealt with very, very severely.''

A tired-looking Bush, in his morning address, announced what had been revealed late Tuesday: ''At my direction, elements of the 82nd Airborne Division as well as key units of the United States Air Force are arriving today to take up defensive positions in Saudi Arabia.''

Pentagon officials later said some paratroopers had landed inside Saudi Arabia by late Wednesday morning and scheduled an afternoon briefing to provide some details.

Sources said thousands of paratroopers and at least 48 F-15 fighters were arriving Wednesday. A mechanized infantry division was expected to be sent later. The United States already has 34 warships in the area, with more on the way, including the battleship USS Wisconsin.

The Pentagon said the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower, which had been in the Mediterranean, transited the Suez Canal with the permission of the Egyptian government and was in the Red Sea near Saudi Arabia. It is headed to the northern Arabian Sea, where the aircraft carrier USS Independence is already deployed.

Warning that it would be ''unwise and unrealistic'' to assume that Saddam's adventurism would end with the takeover of Kuwait, Bush said he ordered U.S. troops and planes to the Arabian penninsula only after ''exhausting every alternative.''

''I want to be clear about what we are doing and why,'' Bush said. ''America does not seek conflict, nor do we seek to chart the destiny of other nations. But America will stand by her friends.''

''In a life of a nation, we are called upon to define who we are and what we believe,'' he said. ''Sometimes these choices are not easy. Today, as president, I ask for your support in the decision I've made to stand up for what's right and condemn what's wrong, all in the name of peace.''

''The stakes are high. Iraq is already a rich and powerful country that possesses the world's second largest reserves of oil and over a million men under arms,'' Bush said.

The president added, ''If history teaches us anything, it is that we must resist aggression or it will destroy our freedoms. Appeasement does not work. As was the case in the 1930s, we see in Saddam Hussein an aggressive dictator threatening his neighbors.''

But while appealing to the public, the president also warned Americans that the job may be easy and he asked them not to waver in their support.

''Standing up for our principles is an American tradition. As it has so many times before, it may take time and tremendous effort, but most of all it will take unity of purpose,'' Bush said. ''America has never wavered when her purpose is driven by principle. On this August day, at home and abroad, I know she will do no less.''

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#90220u1149 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - Crude oil prices tumbled up to $3 a barrel in early trading on world markets Wednesday after reports that Saudi Arabia would pump 2 million barrels a day extra to help make up for oil output lost in the embargo of Iraq and Kuwait.

''Prices are moving down on the reports late Tuesday that Saudi Arabia is willing to raise its production by 2 million barrels a day,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading for United Energy Inc. in New York.

''If there's a war, the whole market will take off. Meanwhile, it looks like things are easing,'' Bentz said.

''Traders feel that the Saudi move eases some of the output tension,'' agreed Randall Rothenberg of Dean Witter Reynolds' International Energy Futures Group in New York.

On the European cash markets, Dubai light, the key Mideast crude produced by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries that is shipped mainly to the Far East, was being quoted at $22.70 a barrel at midday, down $3 from late Tuesday.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent crude dove $2.70 to $25.75 a barrel.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for September delivery had fallen $1.61 to $26.70 a barrel by midday.

Unleaded gasoline for September delivery had slumped 3.99 cents by midday on the Merc to 78.40 cents a gallon, while September heating oil dropped 3.04 cents to 72.10 cents a gallon.

Unconfirmed reports of the Saudi increase came late Tuesday after the oil markets had closed in conjunction with reports that the United States would send ground troops and warplanes to Saudi Arabia to defend the kingdom from Iraqi forces that invaded neighboring Kuwait last Wednesday.

Venezuela also was reported to be ready to raise its output by 500,000 barrels a day.

Iraq had been pumping more than 3.1 million barrels a day and Kuwait was producing 1.5-2.0 million barrels a day prior to the invasion, after which theUnited Nations ordered an embargo of oil shipments from the two nations.

Saudi Arabia, the OPEC cartel's largest producer, has been pumping about 5.5 million barrels daily and has the capability to produce several million more.

Peter Gignoux of Shearson Lehman Hutton's London office said: ''I think we're on a collision course with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. President Bush couldn't be clearer. He wants a restoration of the Kuwaiti government.''

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SEATTLE (AUG. 8) UPI - Police say a young mother loaded up her infant son, stuffed a .22-caliber pistol into his diaper bag and took a cab to stick up a local bank.

The woman asked the unsepecting cab driver to wait and watch her son while she walked into Security Pacific Bank in Ballard and gave a teller a note demanding cash, police said Tuesday.

The woman handed the teller a shopping bag for the cash and then took it and left the bank, re-entering the cab and telling the driver to speed off. However, police alerted by a silent alarm caught up with the cab, found the pistol in the diaper bag and confiscated an undisclosed amount of cash.

''It was all very quiet, very subdued,'' a witness to the Monday afternoon robbery said. ''There were about 10 customers in the bank. She walked in with the bag and not a one of us was aware of what was going on until she left.''

Police said the woman was arrested on suspicion of bank robbery and the baby was turned over to Child Protective Services for placement in a foster home.

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#90220u1165 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

MENANDS, NY (AUG. 8) UPI - Police in upstate New York said Wednesday they were searching for a bandit who used a fishhook to snag a bag of money from a supermarket night deposit box.

Police said the theft occurred sometime early Monday, when the angling bandit lowered a large fishhook into a safe in the office of a Great American supermarket in the Albany County village of Menands.

The thief managed to pull out a bag containing more than $5,600 in cash, $928 in food stamps and $4,400 in checks.

Employees from an armored car company discovered the theft Monday morning when, upon opening the safe, discovered only four of the usual five money bags and the fishhook.

''The employees of the armored car company have the keys to the door but don't have the combination to the safe. The store employees have the combination but not keys to the door. It was supposed to be a 'fail safe' system,'' Patrolman David Klefback told the Albany Times Union.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush asked the nation today to support his decision to send U-S forces to Saudi Arabia to defend it against a possible attack by Iraq. He described Iraq's blitzkrieg-style invasion of

neighboring Kuwait as an ''outrageous and brutal act of aggression'' and said it must NOT go unanswered.

Bush said in a nationally broadcast speech that the U-S presence in Saudi Arabia- involving air, naval and ground forces- will be ''wholly defensive'' and could be long and costly. He warned that it's ''unwise and unrealistic'' to assume that Iraq's adventurism would end with the takeover of Kuwait.

Bush made NO mention of a published report that U-S intelligence had detected possible preparations by Iraq to equip its warplanes with chemical weapons. Bush won strong bi-partisan backing from Congress for his decision to send troops to Saudi Arabia and mass forces near the Persian Gulf.

On the economic front, Bush said he will look to other countries to offset oil shortages created by the embargo against Iraq and Kuwait. And in the face of a sharp rise in gasoline prices, Bush asked oil companies to ''do their fair share'' and NOT take advantage of the situation by raising prices.

British Foreign Secretary Hurd says British naval and air forces will join a multi-national effort confronting Iraq in the Persian Gulf. Hurd made the announcement after Prime Minister Thatcher met with Cabinet officials in response to Saudi King Fahd's request for military assistance to stop Iraq from attacking Saudi Arabia.

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#90220u1189 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - It's day six of deliberations for the jury in the drug and perjury trial of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry. Jurors reached a verdict on one misdemeanor cocaine charge yesterday but refused to reveal the decision... choosing to continue deliberating on the remaining 13 counts. Barry said outside the federal courtroom- quoting here- ''The anxiety is great.''

The American Bar Association House of Delegates meeting in Chicago opened debate today on rescinding its pro-choice abortion stance. The move comes after Attorney General Thornburgh indicated that the Bush administration may give less weight to A-B-A ratings of judges if the lawyers' group fails to return to neutrality on the abortion issue.

Former Pakistan Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto accuses the military of engineering her dismissal and says she fears a military takeover of Pakistan in the next few weeks. Speaking in the port city of Karachi, Bhutto told reporters- quoting now- ''the military is running the show.''

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#90220u1295 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

FLINT, MI (AUG. 8) UPI - About 3,200 hourly workers walked off the job Wednesday at General Motors Corp.'s AC Rochester West Stamping plant, and a company spokesman said a prolonged walkout could close many of GM's vehicle assembly plants by early next week as the parts pipeline dries up.

Representatives of the United Auto Workers local 659 said the union has been angered over work speed-ups, subcontracting and a lapse in health and safety conditions at the plant, which makes gas tanks, engine valves and exhaust manifolds and other parts for GM vehicles.

''Some of these issues have now been hanging for over a year, some as much as two years,'' said Ruben Burkes, director of the UAW's Region 1C. ''The company has not responded with anything favorable thus far.''

Talks between the union and GM were slated to resume Thursday morning, Burkes said.

The union served GM with a five-day letter of intention to strike the AC West plant on Aug. 1, giving the two sides five working days to settle their differences.

''We are deeply disappointed by the UAW's decision to strike at the AC Rochester West plant,'' GM spokesamn John Maciarz said. ''We continue to believe the issues involved can be resolved, and we will make every effort to do so.''

Maciarz said that so far the walkout has not affected the steady pace of the national contract talks that began in mid-July. Those talks are aimed at reaching a new agreement covering about 330,000 GM workers. The current three-year pact expires Sept. 14.

''This is a completely separate issue from the national talks,'' Burkes said.

Some GM assembly plants could begin to feel the impact of the walkout almost immediately, Maciarz said, since they operate on a just-in-time inventory basis and the AC West plant, which also makes van doors and truck grilles, is a key supplier.

''This could affect the majority of our assembly operations, but not until at least a day or two, or early next week,'' he said.

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#90220u1305 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - A 16-year-old boy fired a shotgun into a crowd at a housing project in Brooklyn, hitting three youths just hours after residents observed a ''National Night Out'' against crime, authorities said Wednesday.

Police said Jamal Stith fired the shotgun pellets at the youths, a 12-year-old boy and two 14-year-old boys.

The victims, who were not identified, were in stable condition at Brookdale Hospital, a hospital official said.

The shooting took place at 10:40 p.m. Tuesday behind 375 Williams Ave., near the Unity housing project.

Earlier in the day, Stith had apparently offended a young woman by touching her thigh, said police Sgt. Tina Mohrmann. Four male teenagers came to her defense, arguing with Stith, who soon left the area.

''He returned at night and fired into the crowd,'' Mohrmann said. ''He hit three of the four youths he had argued with.''

After the attack, Stith fled, and the crowd then started beating up his cousin, police said.

The unidentified cousin finally told them where Stith might be found, and police soon arrested him at his apartment.

Stith was charged with second- and third-degree assault, criminal possession of a deadly weapon and reckless endangerment, Mohrmann said.

The shooting took place in the same neighborhood where last month a random bullet took the life of a 9-year-old girl and a 1-year-old was killed by gunfire meant for her father.

Earlier in the evening members of various community associations in the crime-ridden neighborhood held a cookout and rally to band together in the fight against violence.

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#90220u1314 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO (AUG. 8) UPI - Egypt hiked its crude oil export prices Wednesday for the second time since Iraq's invasion of neighboring Kuwait last week, bringing its total increase on the week to $6 a barrel.

The Egyptian General Petroleum Corp. (EGPC) said it was raising prices $2 a barrel across the board.

This follows a $4-a-barrel increase Thursday, the day after Iraqi forces occupied Kuwait.

The latest increase brings the respective prices of the premium Zeit Bay-Ras el Behar and Gulf of Suez blends to $23.30 and $23.00 a barrel, said EGPC Vice Chairman for Foreign Sales Hammad Aiyyoub.

Prices of the medium Balaim and Ras Badran crudes were raised to $22.15 and $21 a barrel respectively, Aiyyoub said. The heavy Ras Ghareb was priced at $20.70 a barrel, he said.

Aiyyoub said his department would adjust its oil prices on a weekly basis as a result of recent events in the Gulf, a reference to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait that has sent world oil prices soaring.

Egypt normally only adjusts its crude oil export prices on a two-week basis.

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#90220u1322 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - The owner of the exclusive rights to novelist Ian Fleming's James Bond character is putting the super spy on the auction block after a long run of movie hits that has grossed more than $1 billion worldwide, it was reported Wednesday.

Variety, the entertainment weekly, said the decision was made by veteran film producer Albert Broccoli because revenues from the ''007'' films have been slipping. The latest film, ''License to Kill,'' released last year, cost $30 million to make and has grossed only $16 million in domestic theaterical rentals so far.

Variety described the 81-year-old Brocolli's decision to ''protect and modernize'' his franchise on James Bond as a ''bloodless coup'' within the MGM/UA empire, which has made all but one of the 17 James Bond productions.

According to Variety, Broccoli has put Danjaq, a company that owns exclusive rights to Fleming's James Bond writings, up for sale. He also has turned over control of Eon Products, producers of 16 Bond United Artist releases to his daughter, Barbara Broccoli, and stepson, Michael Wilson.

The value of the Danjaq franchise, of which Broccoli is 100 percent owner, is not known, but analysts estimate the worth of the Bond library of l7 films at $166 million, and Danjaq could be worth considerably more, Variety reported.

Broccoli also has cut off Richard Maibaum, who wrote or co-wrote 13 Bond

movies, and John Glen, who has directed the last five Bond films, from future participation in Bond projects, Variety reported, and is negotiating with several other directors to replace Glen. He is also looking for a rewriter for a new draft of an original script by Wilson.

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ANALYSIS BY JIM ANDERSON

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush, looking and sounding as if he had spent some sleepless nights over his decision to send troops to Saudi Arabia, explained to White House reporters Wednesday his reasons for sending U.S. military forces to the Middle East.

The strategic decision, as he described it, grew from these considerations:

-Protecting an ally, Saudi Arabia, which also happens to be sitting on top of reserves of 255 billion barrels of oil.

-Deterring a Middle East megalomaniac, Saddam Hussein, who has shown himself to be deceitful and obsessed with placing himself atop the fragmented Arab world, and who has the well-equipped, large army to do it.

-Preserving U.S. credibility by standing up to an aggressor.

Linked to these were some other unstated reasons that Bush did not mention but which were just as compelling.

One obvious consequence of a world oil shortage would be brutal price increases, with some industry analysts think could reach $35 barrel, compared to the present $27.

That kind of price increase and fuel shortage - as President Carter found out in 1978 - creates the basis for an economist's and politician's worst nightmare, a double whammy of inflation and unemployment, adding up to a recession.

If the effect in the United States would be unfortunate, the impact would be disastrous in the Third World.

As the Council on Hemispheric Affairs, a left-leaning Washington ''think tank,'' said in a recent analysis:

''What could be a recession in the United States and the other industrialized nations would reflect itself in Latin America as a full-scale depression, which would threaten not only to undo the positive accomplishments of a wide array of past international debt relief measures

but dash any hopes of positive results from President Bush's recently announced 'Enterprise for the Americas' initiative.''

What happens in Latin America would be duplicated around the world, including eastern Europe, with unforeseeable political effects but which might bring an avalanche of political changes, reversing the trend toward democratic reforms.

The Middle East has been in a state of low-level tension, punctuated by brutal but generally contained skirmishes and wars, for the past 10 years.

The prospect of a triumphant, strengthened Iraqi government directing its aggression toward Israel gives rise to the ultimate nightmare: a war fought between two Third World powers, possibly with chemical weapons, as Saddam Hussein has threatened, and conceivably with nuclear weapons.

That possibility would almost certainly involve the United States, either directly or indirectly as a guarantor of Israel's security.

Some of Saddam Hussein's rhetoric in the past week has suggested that Israel is his ultimate target. Whether that has been done to increase the number of his supporters in the Arab world, or whether he really means it as a direct threat to Israel is unanswerable.

President Bush decided - in light of Saddam Hussein's unpredictability - that the prudent course would be to figure out a worst case scenario, and that required him to draw ''a line in the sand'' sooner, rather than later.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush told the nation in a nationally broadcast address today that Iraqi leader Saddam's invasion of Kuwait was an ''outrageous and brutal act of aggression'' and it must NOT go unanswered. Bush said that because America stands by its friends he ordered U-S ground air and naval forces to take up defensive positions in Saudi Arabia to

deter any possible invasion by Iraq. Bush said the deployment of U-S forces became necessary only after ''exhausting every alternative.'' He emphasized that the deployment is a defensive move.

Bush said Iraq has the world's fourth-largest military and has moved ''more than 100-thousand troops, along with tanks, artillery and surface-to-surface missiles'' into Kuwait. Before Bush's speech, it had NOT been known that Iraq had transported the missiles into Kuwait. The Pentagon confirms that the aircraft carrier U-S-S Eisenhower has passed through the Suez Canal into the Red Sea, off Saudia Arabia. It reportedly is heading for the northern Arabian Sea, near the Persian Gulf. There now are 34 American warships in the region... with more en route.

Sources say thousands of American paratroopers and at least 48 F-15's are arriving in Saudi Arabia today. A light infantry division is expected to be sent later. Many military analysts believe the deployment of U-S forces may help deter Iraq from invading that oil-rich nation... but most say the forces being sent would NOT be adequate to drive Saddam from Kuwait.

Bush said the U-S forces will ''work together with those of Saudi Arabia and other nations'' in trying to deter and intimidate Saddam, whose lightning strike into Kuwait last week led to international condemnation. However, still unclear is whether other Arab nations, such as Egypt and Morocco, will join in what American officials hope to see emerge as a multi-national force capable of standing up to Saddam.

In Cairo today, Egyptian President Mubarak called for an emergency Arab summit within 24 hours. Mubarak predicted terrifying aggression in the region if negotiations fail to begin. He said the present danger in the Middle East is unprecedented. The Egyptian leader also criticized Arab nations for their slow response to the Iraqi invasion... indicating that the United States, Britain and France were forced to fill the gap by the Arab world's inaction. Mubarak said that, so far, NO Egyptian forces are involved in the conflict.

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#90220u1352 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (AUG. 8) UPI - Pan American World Airways said Wednesday it will add service this winter to eight destinations in Central and South America, the Caribbean and New Jersey as part of the continued expansion of its Miami hub.

The airline will add flights from Miami to Valencia, Venezuela; Managua, Nicaragua; Belize City, Belize; San Pedro Sula, Honduras; San Salvador, El Salvador; Aruba, Curacao; and Newark, N.J.

Pan Am already has obtained U.S. route authority for all the flights, but

was still awaiting approval from the Nicaraguan government for the Managua flight, spokeswoman Pamela Hanlon said in New York.

The airline also said it would add two weekly nonstop flights between Miami and Frankfurt, West Germany, bringing the total to three weekly nonstop 747 flights between the two cities.

Pan Am said it will add a third daily nonstop flight between Miami and Los Angeles beginning Oct. 28.

In addition, the airline will add one daily flight each on exisiting routes between Miami and Tampa, Orlando, St. Thomas and St. Croix in the Virgin Islands, and Montego Bay and Kingston in Jamaica.

Additional flights will be added Dec. 15 between Miami and Port-Au-Prince, Haiti, Pan Am said.

Pan Am employs about 7,000 workers in the Miami area, about 1,000 more than it did 14 months ago, Hanlon said.

''Miami is becoming a very important hub operation to Pan Am. Two years ago we had 43 flights a week out of Miami. We're up this winter to over 100,'' she said.

Pan Am said plans were in the works to expand its Pan Am Express commuter service, which currently serves seven Florida cities.

''For the most part, for the expansion we announced today we'll be able to operate using the current employee headcount. However, certainly there will be some instances, perhaps in sales, where people will be added,'' Hanlon said.

Pan Am faces increased competition in Latin America from American Airlines which recently acquired Eastern Airlines' routes.

But Pan Am remains the largest carrier currently serving Miami, said John Lindsey, the airline's senior vice president for corporate affairs.

''The routes announced today are intended to maintain our strength in Latin America but they are also part of our buildup of Miami,'' Hanlon said.

Separately, Pan Am said it flew 3.301 billion revenue passenger miles last month - the highest July traffic ever posted by the airline.

A revenue passenger mile represents one passenger flown one mile.

Pan Am also said its load factor, which measures how full the airline's

planes were during the month, rose to 75.5 percent.

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#90220u1354 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (AUG. 8) UPI - Serbia launched a new purge of ethnic Albanian officials in the troubled province of Kosovo and temporarily banned the only daily Albanian-language newspaper, the republic's communist goverment announced Wednesday.

The government of the largest of Yugoslavia's six republics said an undisclosed number of dismissals was aimed at ending alleged economic sabotage committed as part of a drive by members of Kosovo's ethnic Albanian majority for independence from Serbia.

Kosovo has long been wracked by tensions over demands for more autonomy by its 1.7 million ethnic Albanians, who claim a denial of rights by Serbia. Violence this year has left at least 30 people dead and more than 200 injured.

Serbs, of whom there are more than 7 million in Serbia, but only 200,000 in Kosovo, regard the province as the ''cradle'' of their heritage and religion and contend that the demand for more autonomy is the first step by ethnic Alabnians toward joining the province with their adjacent Stalanist-ruled homeland.

On July 5, Serbia dissolved the Kosovo assembly and administration after ethnic Albanian lawmakers, provoked by Serbian intentions to eliminate virtually all provincial self-rule, declared independence from the republic. Serbia took direct control of Kosovo and also purged the managements of the state-run media and several state-owned mines.

The announcement of the new round of dismissals was made at a news conference in the Kosovo capital of Pristina, 200 miles south of Belgrade, by Dragan Nikolic, a Serbian government official, and Serbian Vice Premier Momcilo Trajkovic.

State-run Belgrade Radio quoted the pair as saying that under a decision by the republic's single-party Parliament, the managements of ''many'' government-owned enterprises in Kosovo were replaced Tuesday and Wednesday.

In a related move, Serbia banned the publication of Rilidija, the province's only daily Albanian-language newspaper, until the next session of the republic's assembly, the date for which was not announced.

''These moves of the Serbian Assembly are forced by Albanian separatists who brought economic collapse of these enterprises by politicalization and national divisions among workers,'' Nikolic was quoted as saying by

Belgrade Radio.

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#90220u1367 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush called on oil companies ''to show restraint'' and NOT use the Persian Gulf crisis as an excuse to unnecessarily raise prices. Bush also asked Americans to ''do their part'' by making efforts to conserve energy. In a nationally broadcast speech today, Bush vowed to explore whether the nation should draw on its petroleum reserves... estimated at 600-Million barrels.

The American Bar Association House of Delegates today adopted a neutral stance on the abortion issue, narrowly voting to rescind its pro-choice position. The delegates meeting in Chicago voted 200-188 to make the lawyers' group officially neutral on the abortion issue. The vote followed hints from Bush administration officials that the A-B-A's influence would suffer unless it reversed its pro-choice stance.

The nation's longest-serving lieutenant governor is the Democratic gubernatorial candidate in Georgia on a run-off election victory over former U-N ambassador Andrew Young. With 93 percent of the vote tallied, Georgia Lieutenant Governor Zell Miller had 65 percent to Young's 35 percent. Miller faces G-O-P state lawmker Johnny Isakson and a Libertarian candidate in the November general election. Young refused any suggestion that race played any role in his bid to become the first black governor in the Deep South.

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#90220u1371 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 8) UPI - Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar appealed Wednesday for ''utmost restraint'' from all parties involved in the Persian Gulf crisis and called on Iraq to withdraw its troops promptly from Kuwait.

Perez de Cuellar said in a statement that any measures to deal with the Iraqi invasion should be taken ''in conformity'' with the U.N. Charter and ''directed towards the fulfillment of the recently adopted decisions of the Security Council.''

The U.N. Charter, which serves as the constitution for the 159-nation world organization, bars interference in the internal affairs of any state but it allows its member states to act in self-defense.

''The secretary-general appeals to all concerned parties to exercise the utmost restraint so that the crisis can be contained and resolved,'' the statement said.

U.N. spokeswoman Nadia Younes said the U.N. leader neither disagreed nor agreed with the sending of U.S. troops and Navy ships to Saudi Arabia to counter any possible attacks by Iraqi troops on the Saudi kingdom.

Perez de Cuellar told reporters Wednesday morning that President Bush's decision to send American troops to help the Saudis was a ''parallel action'' with Security Council resolutions demanding the Iraqi withdrawal and imposing drastic economic and military sanctions against Iraq.

''As it appears to be a common decision of the United States and Saudi Arabia, I have nothing to say,'' Perez de Cuellar said.

''The only hope is that this decision will help in easing and not increasing tension in the area.''

Bush appealed to the American people Wednesday to support the deployment of unspecified U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia to counter Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's ''blitzkrieg-fashion'' invasion of neighboring Kuwait.

He said the U.S. military role in Saudi Arabia would be ''wholly defensive.''

The 15-nation Security Council Monday ordered a worldwide embargo on oil imports from Iraq and Kuwait. It banned sales of arms and military equipment to Iraq and called on all governments to cut off financial loans and economic aid to that country.

Last Thursday, the council adopted a resolution demanding the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of the estimated 100,000 Iraqi troops that invaded the small but oil-rich emirate.

The sanctions were imposed after Iraq showed no sign of pulling out.

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#90220u1392 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
ANALYSIS BY HELEN THOMAS

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush stressed Wednesday the defensive nature of the U.S. military involvement in the Persian Gulf, and is relying instead on worldwide sanctions to drive Iraq out of Kuwait.

Bush has insisted that Iraq must withdraw its troops from the tiny Persian Gulf nation that Baghdad swiftly overran last Thursday. He demonstrated his determination by ordering U.S. troops to the area, but outside Kuwait.

A U.S. move into Kuwait to drive out the Iraqis would be an act of war and

Bush told a news conference U.S. troops are assuming a ''defensive posture'' in the gulf. ''We are not in a war,'' Bush said, adding, ''That's not the mission - to drive Iraq out of Kuwait.''

''We have sanctions to that end,'' he noted, referring to the U.N. Security Council's 13-0 vote to impose a worldwide boycott of trade - including oil and food - with Iraq. The embargo ''should begin to bite pretty soon'' on cash-poor Iraq, Bush said.

Observers said that it would take an effort on the magnitude of World War II to put enough troops into Kuwait to liberate that oil-rich kingdom from the occupying force of more than 100,000 Iraqi troops and 5,000 supporting tanks.

Iraq has about 1 million troops and its fighting force has not been idle. Hostilities with Iran erupted into war Sept. 22, 1980, and ended in August 1988, when Iraq accepted a U.N. resolution calling for a cease-fire.

Pentagon strategists would like to have a 3-to-1 advantage in facing ground forces of the magnitude that Baghdad already has amassed in Kuwait.

That would mean 300,000 American troops, and, officials say, it would take months to get such a U.S. fighting contingent there.

Looming over any U.S. response in the Persian Gulf is the bitter memory and unhealed wounds of the decade-long Vietnam War, which divided the United States, alienated a generation of Americans and drove Lyndon Johnson from the White House.

More than 58,000 American soldiers were lost as a result of the Southeast Asia war and the United States would like to avoid getting embroiled in another ground war half way around the world.

Bush, in announcing the deployment of U.S. troops into Saudi Arabia to counter further Iraqi aggression, said in a nationally televised address:

''I want to be clear about what we are doing and why. America does not seek conflict, nor do we seek to chart the destiny of other nations. But America will stand by her friends.

''The mission of our troops is wholly defensive. Hopefully, they will not be needed long. They will not initiate hostilities, but they will defend themselves, the kingdom of Saudi Arabia and other friends in the Persian Gulf.''

Bush hopes that a U.N.-backed worldwide economic boycott, perhaps backed by a military blockade, will force Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait. Sources say efforts also would be made to

destabilize Saddam through U.S.-backed opposition and covert action.

The president has repeatedly called Saddam an international outlaw, and on Wednesday, he even likened the Iraqi president to Germany's Adolf Hitler.

Amid all the presidential rhetoric and military movements, are mounting concerns over reports that U.S. satellite photographs have shown the Iraqis loading chemical weapons on their warplanes.

Bush, in his speech, also mentioned for the first time that Iraq is supporting its tanks and artillery in Kuwait with surface-to-surface missiles.

One U.S. option is an air attack against Baghdad. But the administration would like to avoid such an escalation of hostilities.

As a Navy pilot shot down by the Japanese during World War II, Bush also has observed as a member of past administrations U.S. involvement in two no-win wars - Korea and Vietnam.

Bush must also be mindful of the withdrawal of American peace-keeping forces from Lebanon in the aftermath of American bloodshed

President Reagan on March 30, 1984, announced he was ending U.S. military involvement in Lebanon, citing the 264 U.S. troops killed and 134 wounded in action during their peace-keeping role in the capital. The Oct. 23, 1983, attack on the headquarters of the U.S. Marine peace-keepers killed 241 American servicemen.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Atari Corp (2nd Q 6-30)	
$84,895,000	$82,740,000
$1,525,000 (.03)	$327,000 (.01)
Columbia Gas Sys (2nd Q 6-30)	
$458,800,000	$411,600,000
d-$4,600,000	$3,600,000 (.08)
d-Deficit.	
Continental Corp (2nd Q 6-30)	
$1,400,000,000	$1,500,000,000
$2,500,000 (.02)	$65,200,000 (1.18)

Famous Rest (2nd Q 7-15)
$24,081,000 $23,040,000
$399,000 (.06) $486,000 (.08)

La Barge Inc (4th Q 7-1)
$17,461,065 $18,269,320
$396,821 (.01) $427,216 (.01)

Oceaneering Intl (1st Q 6-30)
$34,267,000 $54,640,000
$4,739,000 (.21) $2,285,000 (.11)

Standard Commercial (1st Q 6-30)
$193,106,000 $197,399,000
$159,000 (.02) d-$768,000
d-Deficit.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - For 27 million households, owning or renting a home doesn't mean they are any closer to fulfilling the American dream because they cannot afford to buy other necessities, a study released Wednesday said.

The study's author, Michael Stone, a professor of community planning at the University of Massachusetts in Boston, noted that 50 years ago, President Franklin D. Roosevelt said one-third of the nation lacked adequate housing.

''If President Bush were to be so candid, he would have to acknowledge that we are now one-third of a nation 'shelter poor,''' Stone said in his report issued by the Economic Policy Institute, a liberal think tank in Washington.

''Nearly 27 million households in the United States - containing 78 million people, or 32 percent of the population - face so great a squeeze between in adequate incomes and high housing costs that, after paying for their housing, they are unable to meet their non-shelter needs at even a minimum level of adequacy.''

Stone blamed this ''shelter poor'' squeeze on lagging incomes, escalating housing costs, overdependence on credit, ownership arrangements that encourage speculation and mortgage rate instability.

Between 1970 and 1987, housing costs increased more sharply than incomes, Stone said, with renters particularly hard hit. Median rent rose by 26

percent, while median income declined by 13 percent, he said.

The study found that more than 42 percent of all renters - 13.9 million households - were shelter poor in 1987, most with incomes of less than $20,000.

As for homeowners, 22 percent, or 12.7 million households, were shelter poor in 1987, and Stone said many are risking foreclosure.

Rob Rosenblatt, an economist with the Mortgage Bankers Association, said the foreclosure rate has declined slightly in recent years. At the end of the first quarter of 1990, the foreclosure rate was 0.76 percent of all loans, down from 0.95 percent for the first quarter of 1989.

Racially, the majority of shelter-poor households are white, Stone said, but the problem is disproportionately borne by blacks and Hispanics. While one-third of households are shelter poor, Stone said, 50 percent of black households, or 5 million, and 50 percent of Hispanic households, or 2.5 million, are shelter poor.

Congress recently passed legislation to reverse an eight-year decline in federal housing funds, including grants to the poor under a program called HOPE, Homeownership and Opportunity for People Everywhere.

Bush has threatened to veto the bill because it spends more money than he requested, but congressional negotiators are optimistic a compromise can be worked out.

Stone offered several long-term recommendations, including:

-Expansion of non-profit, non-speculative production and ownership of housing.

-Direct public grants to finance production and acquisition of housing.

-Reform of the financial system to reduce speculative uses of credit and assure an adequate supply of low-cost credit for housing.

-Full and aggressive enforcement of anti-discrimination laws.

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#90220u1416 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (AUG. 8) UPI - An epidemic of a potentially fatal blood disorder linked to the food supplement L-tryptophan was caused by a chemical contaminant, but reseachers have not yet identified the substance, scientists said Wednesday.

The contaminant was present in samples of L-tryptophan made by a one Japanese company, Showa Denko K.K. of Tokyo, which changed aspects of its manufacturing process at the start of 1989, said Michael Osterholm of the Minnesota Department of Public Health in Minneapolis.

In November, the Food and Drug Admistration recalled products containing L-tryptophan, an amino acid that occurs naturally in some foods, after it was linked to outbreaks of eosinophilia-myalgia syndrome, or EMS.

EMS can cause muscle pain, fatigue, breathing difficulties and in severe cases, heart failure and death. To date, the federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta has received reports of 1,535 EMS cases nationwide and 27 deaths. Most of the cases occurred between July 1989 and the time of the initial recall.

In March, the FDA expanded the recall, which at first covered L-tryptophan products designed to be taken in doses of at least 100 milligrams, to include even small doses of the supplement.

Osterholm said an investigation of the EMS outbreak in Minnesota, where 63 cases have been reported, found that among 30 EMS victims whose source of L-tryptophan was known, 29 had consumed a product containing the supplement manufactured by Showa Denko. He said product mislabeling may account for the single discrepancy in the findings.

By contrast, only 21 of 35 people in a comparison group who took L-tryptophan and did not develop EMS used supplement made by Showa Denko, Osterholm and co-researchers said in The New England Journal of Medicine.

Altogether, six Japanese companies supplied the raw material, in the form of a crystalline compound, that went into L-tryptophan products sold in the United States. However, only Showa Denko has been linked to the EMS epidemic.

While L-tryptophan can be made through a chemical process, Osterholm said Showa Denko used a multi-step bacteriological process that involved fermentation. At the start of 1989, the company made changes in its manufacturing methods that researchers believe are connected to the EMS outbreak.

Laboratory tests using chemical anaylsis known as high performance liquid chromatography showed that samples of L-tryptophan made by Showa Denka contained traces of 33 different chemical contaminants, but that only one contaminant - yet to be identified - was strongly associated with retail lots of the supplement consumed by people who developed EMS, Osterholm said.

When those particular lots were manufactured, between January and July of

1989, he said Showa Denko had changed the strain of bacteria used in the fermentation process and had also cut in half the amount of powered carbon used to purify each batch.

Osterholm said it is possible that the new bacteria strain somehow led to the appearance of the chemical contaminant in question. Alternatively, he said the contaminant might have present all along, but that the larger amount of carbon previously used in the purification process had removed it.

''We know the carbon didn't put the contaminant in there, but maybe, once the amount of carbon was reduced, it also didn't take it out,'' he said.

Osterholm said researchers believe the reason some people became ill from contaminated L-tryptophan, while others did not, is largely related to the amount they took. ''We think it is primarily dose related,'' he said. ''Some people took only a few milligrams a day, while others took 250 milligrams a day. That's a big difference.''

He said he was optimistic that ''within months'' further laboratory tests will identify the chemical contaminant that caused the epidemic.

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#90220u1425 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - McDonnell Douglas Corp. may develop a new wide-body jet to compete with the Boeing Corp.'s 747-class aircraft, McDonnell Douglas officials said Wednesday.

Although the company has not introduced its new MD-11 tri-jet to market yet, it is already considering the production of another tri-jet aircraft, based on the MD-11, that would have a larger cargo and passenger payload.

In addition, the St. Louis manufacturer has also committed to the development of advanced versions of its MD-80 twin jet aircraft, to be designated as the MD-90 series of aircraft, according to documents the company filed recently with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Elayne Bendel, a McDonnell Douglas spokeswoman, said her company is currently requesting customer feedback on the concept for the new wide-body jet, which is called the MD-12X.

"We are presenting concepts to airlines ... over the next few months, and will base our next steps on how well those concepts are received," Bendel said.

Bendel cautioned, however, that the company has not committed to developing the plane, which would have a price that would be "competitive"

with those currently charged by Boeing for comparable aircraft.

She added that McDonnell Douglas' large customer base for its tri-jet series - about 50 clients - would provide a potential market for the MD-12X, which is expected to complement, rather than replace, the MD-11.

The MD-11 is larger and has greater range than McDonnell Douglas's current flagship, the DC-10. Specifically, the MD-11 will be about 18.6 feet longer, will hold about 50 more passengers, and will have an additional range of 1,500 to 2,000 miles.

McDonnell Douglas has projected that 14,100 new aircraft will be needed over the next 20 years to replace present craft and to accomodate increased air traffic. Nearly one half of the market value of those planes will be in long-range, twin-aisle aircraft like the MD-11 and the MD-12X.

"With the MD-11 and this larger airplane as a complementary aircraft, we would be in position to get our share of (that) market," Bendel said.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 8) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednes- day.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	77.92	78.10	77.47	78.00	77.77
Oct	78.35	78.65	77.77	78.52	78.30
Dec	76.75	77.27	76.35	77.20	76.95
Feb	76.72	76.90	76.25	76.80	76.75
Apr	77.27	77.40	76.85	77.32	77.27
Jun	74.72	75.00	74.67	75.00	74.95
Aug	73.35	73.50	73.25	73.37	73.35

Est. sales 15,129 contracts; Tuesday 13,873; open interest 68,501 off 551.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	89.70	90.00	89.45	89.95	89.67
Sep	88.30	88.80	87.90	88.47	88.20
Oct	87.30	87.60	86.85	87.52	87.22
Nov	87.35	87.45	86.95	87.20	87.10
Jan	86.65	86.70	86.40	86.70	86.65
Mar	85.00	85.00	84.55	85.00	85.05
Apr	84.15	84.45	84.00	84.40	84.25
May	83.20	83.40	83.05	83.40	83.40

Est. sales 1,382 contracts; Tuesday 1,732; open interest 11,604 up 61.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	57.75	57.85	56.57	56.57	58.07
Oct	50.35	50.50	49.35	49.47	50.85

Dec 50.85 50.97 49.67 49.95 51.17
Feb 49.27 49.55 48.32 48.32 49.82
Apr 46.00 46.10 44.50 44.50 46.00
Jun 49.70 49.90 48.70 48.70 50.20
Jly e.... 49.20 49.00 49.00 50.50
Aug a.... a.... 47.67 47.67 49.17 Est. sales 12,352 contracts; Tuesday 7,806; open interest 29,250 up 95.
Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Aug 51.00 51.65 49.30 50.50 51.07
Feb 56.75 56.90 55.05 55.05 57.05
Mar 56.65 56.80 54.90 54.90 56.90
May 56.10 56.55 55.00 55.30 57.00
Jly 56.20 56.70 54.70 54.70 56.40 Est. sales 3,938 contracts; Tuesday 4,288; open interest 5,839 off 270.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut- out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 121.77 up 21 cents, 700-850 lbs. 122.06 up 30 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 114.79 down 13 cents, 700-850 lbs. 115.22 down 1 cent.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were not fully established but a lower undertone prevailed; skinned hams 1.00-2.00 lower; seedless bellies 2.00-3.00 lower in a light test; loins 14-18 lbs. 123.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 90.00, 20-26 lbs. 85.00-90.50, 32 lbs. and up 84.00; bellies 12-16 lbs. 57.00.

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#90220u1458 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
MARION, IL (AUG. 8) UPI - Pete Rose, baseball's all-time hit leader, arrived at prison just after noon Wednesday to begin serving a five-month sentence for tax evasion, U.S. Penitentiary at Marion officials said.

In a prepared statement, Warden John Clark said Rose would not grant interviews during his stay. He said Rose would go through an orientation process and then would be assigned an eight-hour-per-day job in the prison work camp.

Prison officials said Rose's release date is Jan. 7

The work camp is adjacent to, but separate from, the U.S. Penitentiary at Marion, which is the nation's most secure prison.

''I want to emphasize every attempt will be made to protect Mr. Rose's privacy and to have his term pass as uneventfully as possible for him and the other prisoners here,'' Clark said.

The work camp is a 100-acre facility that houses about 250 white-collar inmates with average terms of fewer than five years.

Rose, former manager of the Cincinnati Reds, was convicted in April of filing two fraudulent tax returns. He admitted concealing about $300,000 of income from gambling and baseball card shows.

Last August, Rose was banned from baseball by Commissioner A. Bartlett Giamatti after admitting to illegal gambling. Although the agreement did not say so, Giamatti said at a news conference that Rose had bet on baseball, including his own team.

Rose became manager of the Reds in 1984. He played for the Reds, Phillies and the Expos and broke Ty Cobb's hitting record in 1985 to become baseball's all-time hits leader.

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#90220u1464 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

MEXICO CITY, MEXICO (AUG. 8) UPI - Hurricane Diana, after slamming the gulf coast of Mexico with 110 mph winds, killing two people and leaving thousands homeless, dissipated into a tropical depression Wednesday and disappeared.

A spokewoman for the National Weather Service said the tropical depression dissolved at about 9 a.m. between Salamanca and La Piedad, in the state of Michoacan, some 120 miles northwest of Mexico City.

''It is all over,'' she said.

Hurricane Diana lost much of its momentum after hitting the mountains of the eastern Sierra Madre and was downgraded to a storm by Tuesday evening, with winds dropping to about 60 mph, said Rafael Velasco, government spokesman for the state of Veracruz that borders the Gulf of Mexico.

The storm was downgraded further to a tropical depression in the early morning hours Wednesday, bringing sporadic rain and winds to the central Mexican states of Guanajuato and Queretaro.

''The depression moved west Wednesday morning at 12 mph with maximum winds of 30 mph,'' the spokeswoman said.

She said all of central Mexico, including the capital, was covered by cloudy skies throughout the morning, with heavy isolated showers.

Diana smashed ashore at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday between Tuxpan and Tamiahua, unleashing up to 110 mph winds that ripped roofs off houses, and uprooted trees and communications cables, Velasco said.

''The bad news is that two people died in Tuxpan. One person was killed when a wall fell, and the other was electrocuted by high-tension cables knocked down by a falling tree,'' Velasco said.

Four other people were reported injured, but none seriously, Velasco said.

In Tuxpan, the main communications tower was knocked down by winds, cutting off telephone communications to most of northern Veracruz, a telephone operator said.

Torrential rains flooded rivers and wipping winds felled trees and knocked over houses, leaving about 3,500 people temporarily homeless in the affected area. People whose homes were flooded or destroyed took refuge in city buildings and schools.

Army and civil officials distributed emergency kits of food and medicine to victims of the summer torment.

In September 1988, Hurricane Gilbert hit Mexico's Caribbean resort of Cancun with nearly 200 mph winds, killing 25 people before moving up to the inland industrial city of Monterrey where it killed 125 people.

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#90220u1465 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush said Wednesday he feels "liberated" from an agreement with congressional leaders to avoid public comment on their stalled budget talks, warning he will soon start venting his anger at Democrats on the issue.

Bush told a White House news conference that despite the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and related economic uncertainties, ''It is absolutely essential'' to reach an agreement with Congress on a plan for reducing the budget deficit.

''That's going to require a lot of compromise and that's going to require a lot of principle,'' Bush said of the ellusive budget deal.

Bush said his earlier agreement with congressional leaders not to talk publicly about the ongoing talks was off and that he intended to be more partisan and critical of Democratic actions in the future.

''But you know what I want to do is separate out my feelings about the

budget now that I feel uninhibited by an agreement not to say anything,'' Bush said. ''I want to tell you exactly how strongly I feel about it but I don't want to do it here today.''

The president said he preferred to avoid more pointed remarks about the budget during a news conference that was ''largely dominated by the world concern about the Middle East.''

''But I feel like a liberated human being now,'' he said. ''I don't feel bound by an agreement that I've told the congressional leaders is no longer in effect. We've been getting one side of that, mainly from the Democrats in the Congress, and you're fixing to get the other but not this minute. You have to stay tuned.''

Budget negotiators have until about Oct. 1 to reach and implement a budget deal, aimed at reducing the federal deficit by about $50 billion during the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1 and $500 billion over five years.

Failure to do so would trigger about $100 billion in automatic spending cuts, split between defense and domestic programs. Both the White House and Congress have said they want to avoid such cuts because they would be devastating to the economy and to government programs.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Fears of a military conflagration in Mideast oilfields have spurred some classic buying of the dollar as a financial refuge, but currency analysts say the U.S. unit has lost some of its appeal as a "safe haven" investors can retreat to in crises.

Since Iraq invaded Kuwait last week, the dollar has moved up only slightly in value on the German mark but has gained at a greater clip against the Japanese yen. The muted response did not seem commensurate with the Mideast crisis.

At midday Wednesday, the dollar traded at 1.5910 German marks vs. 1.5875 at the close a week ago, prior to Iraq's seizure of oil-rich Kuwait. The dollar was also quoted at 150.10 yen vs. 147.20.

In the Gulf region itself, however, there was a run on the dollar as anxious foreign residents and locals exhausted greenback stocks. Most hard currencies were at a premium as thousands prepared to flee in the event of war.

On world currency markets, however, the traditional flight to quality no longer led only to the dollar. The main reason for this is the parlous state of the U.S. economy, which many economists believe is headed back to

the "stagflation" of the 1970s, when inflation ravaged an economy that had lost its impetus to grow.

Meanwhile, analysts say, sophisticated global investors are likely to regard other currencies as equally desirable - especially as Europe's perception of a Soviet military threat has eased along with lessened superpower tensions. These factors and others have prompted foreign-exchange traders and analysts in recent days to remark on the dollar's changing status.

"I think the dollar may be losing some of the safe-haven allure it had in the past," said National Westminster Bank trader Mark Morris. "People just don't have a lot of confidence in the U.S. economy right now."

"You have to wonder if the dollar is as much of a safe-haven currency as previously," said Robert White, vice president and corporate currency manager for First Interstate Bank in Los Angeles. "With the U.S. economy in the shape it's in, it's a little less enticing to put ... a lot of your portfolio in dollars right now," he added.

Stephen King, a currency analyst with the London investment bank James Capel, said the flight into dollars has been markedly less pronounced in the current oil crisis than in similar periods of turmoil in 1973 and 1979.

Given U.S. economic woes and a possible easing of credit policy by the Federal Reserve, King said that "what the market is focusing on is not the safe-haven status but the fact that the dollar must weaken over the short term."

As world oil prices rise, countries, like Germany and Japan, whose economies are growing strongly will have leeway to raise interest rates to counter resulting inflation. By contrast, higher U.S. rates could tip the nation into recession.

King also noted that money nowadays moves faster and easier in global financial markets, widening investors' choice of safe havens. "The notion of a safe-haven currency is somewhat diminished," he said. In the past, the dollar's main attraction in safe-haven buying was its liquidity - the ease with which it could be bought and sold in large amounts.

"As exchange regulations have been broken down, it means that currencies are more easily interchangeable than they were before," he said. "Increasingly, people are becoming indifferent to what currency they hold."

But Andrew Hodge, a foreign exchange vice president with the Banque Brussels Lambert in New York, said he believed the decline in the dollar's appeal was a direct consequence of lessened superpower tensions.

He said that flights to the dollar in the past often correlated to risks of an East-West superpower faceoff but that now "the risk of superpower confrontation and the risk to Europe has practically disappeared."

In the current crisis, unlike any since the end of World War II, the Soviet Union has actually backed up the U.S. position. "In those circumstances," said Hodge, "perhaps that is a reason why the dollar has been less responsive to the size of this crisis."

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#90220u1472 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

ANAHEIM, CA. (AUG. 8) UPI - Dave Winfield angrily called accusations that he gambled on sporting events ''outrageous'' and said those who lend credence to them ''believe in the tooth fairy.''

Sports Illustrated reported several people close to Winfield said he knew Howard Spira had connections to gamblers and that the $15,000 Winfield gave him was earmarked to pay off gambling debts.

Winfield, a California Angels outfielder, played for the New York Yankees when he paid Spira $15,000 in 1981. Winfield said the money was a loan.

''When they were trying to develop the story, I told them how ridiculous this was anyway,'' Winfield said at Anaheim Stadium. ''It's outrageous that Winfield gambled. If you believe in that, you believe in the tooth fairy.''

Baseball Commissioner Fay Vincent forced Yankees principal owner George Steinbrenner to resign as Yankees' general partner last month for his involvement with Spira. Steinbrenner paid the self-described gambler $40,000 in an effort to gather damaging information on Winfield.

Barbara Frohman, the widow of Winfield's former agent Al Frohman, told the magazine that her late husband informed her of Spira's involvement in gambling.

She stated Winfield agreed to the give Spira the money after coming to both Winfield and Frohman ''crying, hysterical, on bended-down knees'' for help in covering huge debts he apparently owed to illegal bookmakers.

Al Frohman died in 1987.

''There is nothing to the story,'' Winfield said. ''It's a bunch of shady allegations and it's outrageous. Dave Winfield does not gamble. You get sick and tired of this and, yeah, I'm mad about it.

''It's stupid, it's ridiculous, it's a lie.''

But Albert Whitton, a chauffeur for a promotional company called Top Hat that was created by Frohman, told the magazine a similar story to Barbara Frohman's.

Whitton, who spent eight months in prison for bookmaking, said ''both men (Winfield and Frohman) were aware that Spira gambled'' and ''Frohman told (Winfield) that the money was to pay off Spira's gambling debts.''

In addition, the magazine quoted an unidentified source who claims Spira currently owes organized crime $2 million from gambling.

These reports conflict with Winfield's account of his relationship with Spira.

Winfield, one of the central figures in baseball's investigation - and subsequent removal - of Steinbrenner as general partner of the Yankees, testified under oath during Vincent's investigation in July that he had not associated with gamblers.

Winfield first denied making the payment to Spira, a former employee for Top Hat, but eventually admitted doing so.

However, Winfield insisted the payment was a loan rather than a gift. He also denied knowing Spira was a gambler or that Whitton was a convicted bookie.

The outfielder told baseball investigators during the inquiry that he consented to Spira's loan at his agent's request, without the knowledge of what the money was to be used for.

Two other sources, one a freelance writer for a New York weekly newspaper, overheard Winfield discussing ''his own apparent involvement in sports gambling.''

Allen Barra, a writer for the The Village Voice, heard Winfield ''talk about sports wagers ... and heard him make phone calls to get odds on sports events.''

Barra said that Winfield never bet on baseball.

During Vincent's investigation, Steinbrenner repeatedly wondered aloud why Winfield escaped the scrunity he received for his involvement with Spira.

Vincent responded by saying that his probe was confined to Steinbrenner and that Winfield's association with Spira was a separate issue.

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#90220u1477 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 8) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.81 1/2	2.86	2.80 1/2	2.84 1/2	2.81 1/4
Dec	2.97 1/2	3.01 1/2	2.96 1/2	3.00 1/2	2.96 3/4
Mar	3.06 1/2	3.09 1/2	3.05	3.09	3.05 1/2
May	3.08	3.11 1/2	3.07 1/4	3.10	3.07 1/2
Jly	3.08	3.11 1/2	3.08	3.10	3.07 1/2

Tuesday sales 40,400 bushels; Tuesday open interest 301,100 off 995.

Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.53 3/4	2.53 3/4	2.51 3/4	2.52 1/4	2.54
Dec	2.48 3/4	2.48 3/4	2.46 1/2	2.46 3/4	2.49 1/4
Mar	2.57	2.57	2.54 3/4	2.55	2.57
May	2.63	2.63 1/4	2.61 1/2	2.62 1/4	2.63 3/4
Jly	2.66 1/2	2.66 3/4	2.65 1/2	2.66 1/4	2.67 1/4
Sep	2.60 1/2	2.62 1/2	2.60	2.60	2.61
Dec	2.58 3/4	2.61 1/2	2.58	2.60 1/4	2.59 3/4

Tuesday sales 158,360 bushels; Tuesday open interest 1,042,355 off 1,870.

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.17 1/2	1.18	1.16 1/2	1.17 1/4	1.17 1/4
Dec	1.28 3/4	1.28 3/4	1.27	1.27 1/2	1.28 1/4
Mar	1.39 1/4	1.39 3/4	1.37 3/4	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2
May	1.44	1.44 1/2	1.44	1.44	1.44
Jly	1.49 1/2	1.49 1/2	1.47 1/2	1.49	1.48 1/2

Tuesday sales 4,835 bushels; Tuesday open interest 58,610 up 740.

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Aug	5.95	5.95 1/4	5.92	5.93 1/4	5.95 1/4
Sep	6.00 1/2	6.01	5.97 3/4	5.99	6.00 1/4
Nov	6.10	6.10	6.05 1/2	6.07 1/4	6.09 1/4
Jan	6.19	6.20	6.16	6.17 3/4	6.19 3/4
Mar	6.31	6.31	6.27	6.29	6.30 1/2
May	6.38	6.38	6.34 1/4	6.36 1/2	6.38 1/4
Jly	6.43	6.43 1/2	6.40	6.40 3/4	6.43 3/4
Aug	6.35	6.38	6.38	6.38	6.39 1/2
Nov	6.23 1/2	6.24	6.22	6.22 1/2	6.25

Tuesday sales 168,300 bushels; Tuesday open interest 442,805 off 4,790.

Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Aug	24.35	24.35	24.23	24.29	24.31
Sep	24.25	24.27	24.11	24.15	24.23
Oct	24.25	24.28	24.14	24.16	24.21

Dec	24.20	24.28	24.14	24.20	24.23
Jan	24.25	24.33	24.25	24.25	24.25
Mar	24.35	24.45	24.35	24.36	24.35
May	24.40	24.45	24.34	24.45	24.41
Jly	24.45	24.50	24.35	24.47	24.38
Aug	24.35	24.35	24.35	24.35	24.35

Tuesday sales 9,391 contracts; Tuesday open interest 82,374 up 790.

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Aug	172.30	173.60	172.00	172.90	171.90
Sep	173.70	174.60	173.20	173.80	173.40
Oct	175.00	175.60	174.20	174.90	174.60
Dec	177.40	178.00	176.30	176.90	177.10
Jan	178.80	179.00	177.60	178.40	178.20
Mar	181.00	181.00	180.00	180.80	180.50
May	182.50	182.50	181.30	181.60	182.10
Jly	183.00	183.50	183.00	183.20	183.20
Aug	181.50	182.50	180.50	182.20	180.50

Tuesday sales 18,163 contracts; Tuesday open interest 64,429 off 950.

Open interest is reported by the CBOT in thousands of bushels.

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#90220u1478 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - British Embassy officials say a Liberian rebel leader has freed Western hostages held by his troops, including one American and at least seven other foreigners. Seven African countries yesterday agreed to send a peace-keeping force to Liberia after one rebel faction leader, Prince Johnson, threatened to attack the U-S Embassy in Monrovia. Johnson also vowed to hold the foreigners hostages until peace-keeping forces arrived.

Lawyers for three former Northwest Airlines pilots accused of flying while intoxicated are presenting their case in a Minneapolis courtroom. Two air traffic controllers testified the crew on March 8th guided in a professional manner the Boeing-727 with 91 passengers aboard. Defense lawyers say that since the crew flew the aircraft safely in adverse weather, it proves the crew was NOT impaired. The three men were fired by Northwest Airlines one week following their arrest after a flight from Fargo, North Dakota, to Minnesota.

The Coast Guard says oil-eating microbes appear to be doing their job on a spill in Galveston Bay, Texas... but it'll be weeks before test results can confirm it. The 700-thousand-gallon oil spill was created July 28th when a Greek tanker collided with three barges. Coast Guard officials yesterday surveyed the bay where oil-eating microbes were sprayed this week. The-E-P-A is testing water samples taken before and after the

microbes were applied.

Lawmakers in the parliaments of both East and West Germany began debate today on uniting the two nations amid differences over the date of unification and all-German elections. There were heated arguments today in the East German parliament on a plan favored by both West German Chancellor Kohl and the East German premier to speed up the unification process.

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#90220u1483 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - Crosman Products Inc. is recalling nearly 53,000 of its air rifles, used for target practice, because they may have a malfunctioning trigger mechanism, the Consumer Product Safety Commission said Wednesday.

The Model 3100 air rifles, which shoot pellets, may contain an improperly hardened sear, which is a piece of metal attached to the trigger mechanism the consumer agency said.

''An improperly hardened sear may wear prematurely and the consumer may be unable to cock the air gun. But if the air gun can be cocked, the air rifle could unexpectedly discharge without pulling the trigger, even if the safety mechanism is engaged,'' the agency said.

No reports of injury or accidental discharge have been reported. Crosman discovered the problem after inspecting a returned rifle that would not cock, the commission said.

Owners of Crosman Model 3100 air rifles should discontinue use and call the company's toll-free hotline - 1-800-836-3100 - for instructions on returning the rifles. Crosman, of East Bloomfield, N.Y., will inspect all returned rifles and replace improperly hardened sears, then return the guns at no charge.

-30- 1373

#90220u1494 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - Yields fell on ten-year Treasury notes Wednesday to an average of 8.77 percent on the second day of the government's quarterly refunding.

The Treasury Department auctioned $10.5 billion of the 8 3/4 percent interest rate notes at an average of $99.869 with 100 equaling the face value and one point representing $10 on each $1,000 investment.

At the last quarterly refunding, May 9, the average yield on ten-year

Treasury notes was 8.88 percent. Wednesday's 8.77 yield was the lowest yield on a ten-year offering since 8.59 percent Feb. 7. The notes will mature Aug. 15, 2020.

Fresh cash raised through the auctions, from institutional as well as individual investors, allows the federal government to settle its debts that include other securities reaching maturity.

On Tuesday, investor fear over the crisis in the Middle East slammed yields on three-year Treasury notes down to 8.10 percent - the lowest level since last November - in weak bidding at the start of the auction marathon. The Treasury Department sold $11.53 billion of the three-year notes at an average price of $99.738.

At the last refunding, May 8, the average yield on three-year Treasury notes was 8.74 percent. On Nov. 9, the yield was 7.77 percent. The selling will continue Thursday with the auction of 30-year bonds totaling $10.25 billion. The Treasury Department will also offer 36-day cash management bills Thursday totaling $10 billion. All the issues sold at the refunding will settle Aug. 15.

There had been doubt as to whether the refunding would go on because Congress had yet to increase the debt limit. But lawmakers late last week passed a short-term bill granting $72 billion in additional borrowing authority through Oct. 2 and clearing the way for the sale of the bills, notes and bonds.

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#90220u1500 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - A group of former soldiers, some with limbs missing, walks slowly past the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Some put down bouquets of flowers. One man copies a name off the wall. Pictures are taken. Few words are exchanged.

The scene at the long, black wall, which lists the names of the 58,176 American soldiers killed in the Vietnam War, is commonplace - except for one difference: These visitors are not Americans but Soviet veterans of the Afghanistan war.

''We hope that some day we will have a similar memorial for our brothers who died in Afghanistan,'' said Rimas Ruzas, chairman of a recently formed veterans group in Lithuania and one of the 12 Soviets whose visit Wednesday morning was sponsored by Common Fate, a Vietnam veterans organization.

The Soviets and their American hosts wore white T-shirts that said in big black letters: ''Brothers in fate.'' The front showed an apple with an

American flag on one half and a Soviet flag on the other. Around the apple it said, ''War Veterans Vietnam Afghanistan.''

The Soviets arrived in the United States Tuesday and will leave Aug. 28 after a canoe trip in the lake country of Minnesota.

They came to exchange their experiences with Vietnam veterans and learn how the Americans are coping with their war experiences. For many it is the first time in America.

They found more similarities than differences. ''Our friends were killed, and their friends were killed,'' said Valerij Kurdyinkow, 28, from Minsk in Byelorussia, who served in Afghanistan in 1983-84. ''There were many differences between the two wars, but war is war.''

''They had exactly the same experience, probably worse,'' said Jim Otto, a Vietnam veteran. ''They are just starting their journey, learning to let their tears go and to grieve.''

The idea to invite the Soviet veterans to the United States came from Daniel Sandstorm of Minnesota, who lost both legs in Vietnam. Sandstorm met several Afghanistan veterans on a trip to the Soviet Union last year. ''The more we talked the more it became clear that they face a similar situation,'' he said. ''It was like looking in the eyes of younger brothers.''

American veterans plan to visit the Soviet Union next year as part of Common Fate's exchange program.

Jan Scruggs, president and founder of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund Inc., told the Soviet guests, ''Our government did not want this memorial, did not want to remember us, but we forced it to. We hope you will win the battle in your country, too.''

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#90220u1517 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 8) UPI - Agriculture experts predicted Wednesday the conflict in the Middle East would soon hit consumers at the grocery store.

Allan Lines, an agriculture economist at Ohio State University, predicted a three percent to five percent increase in food prices over the next year, based on the $10-a-barrel increase in oil prices that has already taken place. And he said inflation will undoubtedly cause additional increases.

"As oil prices go up and Americans funnel more money overseas, that can spur demand for our grain products - corn, soybean meal and wheat," Lines said. "Although that's good news for grain farmers, the demand will raise

prices of those products here, and that will increase the cost of raising livestock in the United States." Livestock producers may decide to cut back production as a result, which Lines said would raise the price of beef, pork, poultry, and milk.

Economists were already seeing signs of a recession in the economy. If people have less money to spend, they'll cut back at the grocery store, bypassing expensive cuts of meat for less expensive items such as hamburger and poultry.

Kamyar Enshayan, research associate for Ohio State's Sustainable Agriculture Program, said most people don't realize how much agriculture depends on oil and other fossil fuels.

Besides needing fuel to run tractors and other equipment, fertilizer and other agricultural chemicals are produced with energy-intensive methods and would likely become more expensive. Lines said grain farmers would be hurt by those increased costs.

Off the farm, the cost of transporting food will also increase because of higher oil prices, both researchers said. Enshayan also sees an increase in the cost of processing and packaging that food. Enshayan said the Middle East conflict should make the nation question its use of energy.

"The United States has three percent of the world's population, but uses 30 percent of the world's fossil fuels," Enshayan said. "Fossil fuels will run out someday, and the situation in the Middle East shows that the supply is already insecure. We should be questioning our reliance on fossil fuels and make research into renewable energy sources a priority."

Renewable energy sources include solar, wind, and hydro-power. They show promise, Enshayan said, but have not received the attention needed to make them more useful to the nation. He said efforts have focused on nuclear energy, but the waste it produces is causing even more problems.

Enshayan also advocates emphasizing regional markets to trim the cost of transporting food. "Most of the food eaten in Ohio is not grown in Ohio, even though our climate does enable us to produce a wide variety of products," Enshayan said. "If we concentrate more on a regional food supply system, our transportation costs would decrease and that food would be fresher and more nutritious."

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#90220u1532 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Gold futures closed 120 to 150 points lower Wednesday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	385.00	386.50	381.50	383.20	384.50
Sep	387.00	387.00	385.50	385.40	386.90
Oct	389.00	391.00	385.00	387.60	389.10
Dec	393.80	395.80	389.60	392.20	393.70
Feb	398.00	399.20	394.40	396.50	398.00
Apr	403.00	403.00	399.00	400.50	402.00
Jun	403.50	404.70	403.50	404.70	406.20
Aug	408.00	408.80	407.90	408.80	410.20
Oct	414.80	414.80	413.50	413.50	414.80
Dec	421.00	421.00	417.00	418.20	419.40
Feb	425.00	425.00	421.00	423.20	424.40
Apr	429.10	....	....	427.90	429.10

Open interest: 104,940 off 658.

Estimated sales: 50,000 contracts.

-30- 978

#90220u1535 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AUG. 8) UPI - Launch of new weather satellites will be delayed because of flawed mirrors, but officials said Wednesday older satellites already in space should be able to provide crucial coverage of storms and hurricanes.

Forecasters currently rely on a single ''GOES'' satellite to provide the hemispheric television views of Earth familiar from nightly newscasts, a satellite that was due to be replaced in February 1992 by the first in a series of advanced ''GOES-NEXT'' spacecraft.

But trouble with critical relay mirrors in the new satellites likely will delay their launch beyond early 1992, forcing the nation to continue relying on the GOES currently in orbit and putting forecasters a single failure away from an inability to instantly track developing storms and hurricanes.

''We're concerned, of course, about any delays in launching a new satellite because we always want two of them up there,'' said Bud Littin of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. ''We've had this single satellite since early '89. It was launched in '88 so it's into its third year.''

But he said the satellite is in excellent condition and it likely will

continue to operate beyond its planned five-year lifetime.

''This is in very good health. We see no flaws in it,'' he said. ''It has fuel enough aboard ... to go a couple or three more years, anyway. It also has some built in longevity features ... that the earlier satellites didn't have.''

The mirror problem with the GOES-NEXT satellites is unrelated to the flaws crippling the $1.5 billion Hubble Space Telescope. In that case, Hubble's primary 94.5-inch mirror was ground into a slightly incorrect curvature, preventing the telescope from bringing starlight to a sharp focus.

The mirrors in the GOES-NEXT satellites, built by Ford Aerospace for NASA and NOAA, are flat and are used simply to relay images to various sensors. But engineers at ITT Aerospace/Optical Division of Fort Wayne, Ind., discovered that temperature extremes like exposure to sunlight can cause warping.

''They describe it as a temperature gradient across the surface of the mirror and this causes an unacceptable degree of warping,'' said Frank Lepore, a spokesman for NOAA. ''This fact was discovered by computer modeling and then tested experimentally.

''NASA has assembled a tiger team consisting of ITT, NASA and some independent consultants to examine the problem. They expect to come up with some kind of recommendation by the end of this month. There are a number of different fixes that could be employed.''

It is not yet known how long it will take to make repairs or how much the work will cost. First launch had been scheduled for February 1992, but it now will be delayed at least two months and possibly as long as a year.

Potential ''fixes'' range from coating the mirrors with a material that makes them less susceptible to temperature extremes or replacing them altogether.

In the meantime, Lepore said, engineers believe the GOES satellite currently in space will last well into 1993 and that even if it failed before the first GOES-NEXT could be launched, polar orbiting satellites and military weather stations would be able to take up the slack.

Lepore said when the mirror problem first cropped up, NOAA developed a contingency plan that ''calls upon polar, defense and European satellite coverage to provide these images. It would not be as timely, but we would still have the information.''

The ''Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellites'' operate 22,300 miles above the equator. At that altitude, objects take 24 hours to

complete one orbit and thus appear to hang stationary in the sky as Earth turns.

Satellites in such ''geostationary'' orbits can photograph one third of the entire planet every 30 minutes. Satellites in lower polar orbits might pass over a developing hurricane once a day while a GOES satellite can monitor the storm on a continuous basis.

The GOES system was designed for two satellites, one stationed over the Atlantic Ocean and one over the Pacific.

But since 1989, when the GOES stationed over the Pacific Ocean failed after six years of service, only a single GOES has been fully operational.

Ford Aerospace currently is building five advanced GOES-NEXT satellites that use mirrors to relay images to various sensors.

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#90220u1544 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	383.50	up 1.00
Morning fixing	384.75	up 1.25
Afternoon fixing	384.75	up 1.25
Close	382.25	off 1.25
Paris	386.75	up 0.21
Zurich	383.10	off 0.40
Hong Kong	383.65	off 1.10
New York		
Comex spot close	383.20	off 1.30
Republic cash	383.25	off 1.25
Handy and Harman	384.75	up 1.50

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 386.05 up 1.50 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 405.35 up 1.57 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.843	off 0.014
Republic cash	4.865	off 0.025

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.855 per fine ounce up 0.005

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.87 up 0.015 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.211 up 0.016

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 480.50 off 4.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 580.50 off 4.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 115.00 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 130.00 off 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 4 to 11 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.25	10.51	10.25	10.39	10.50
Mar	10.18	10.39	10.18	10.30	10.35
May	10.25	10.41	10.24	10.32	10.40
Jly	10.32	10.43	10.28	10.35	10.43
Oct	10.50	10.50	10.46	10.46	10.50

Estimated sales: 15,190 contracts

Open interest: 118,527 off 1,176

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.45

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 5 points higher to 6 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Sep	22.75	23.13	22.75	22.90	23.05
Nov	23.20	23.22	23.15	23.19	23.19
Jan	23.00	23.08	22.95	23.06	23.05
Mar	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.95
May	23.00	23.03	23.00	23.03	23.00
Jly	23.00	23.05	23.00	23.05	23.00
Sep	22.95	....	....	23.05	23.00
Nov	22.90	....	....	22.90	22.86

Estimated sales: 820 contracts

Open interest: 9,396 off 165

-30- 1245

#90220u1576 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - Penn Central Corp.'s major shareholder has opted out of the company's recently announced stock buy-back program, according to documents released Wednesday by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

American Financial Corp., which beneficially owns about 34.3 percent of Penn Central's common stock outstanding, has informed Penn Central "that it does not intend to tender any of its shares," under the buy-back program, announced by Penn Central July 26. American Financial Corp. officials could not be reached for comment.

Penn Central's board of directors authorized the company to repurchase up to six million shares of common stock at $26 a share, along with an additional 1.5 million shares if the offer is oversubscribed.

The company began the stock buy-back program because it believed its shares were undervalued, according to Bob Burton, manager of investor relations. Penn Central, based in Cincinatti, has 64.5 million shares outstanding.

In addition to its Penn Central stake, American Financial Corp. owns Great American Insurance Co., a property and casualty insurance outfit, and also has an estimated 65 percent stake in Chiquita Brands International Inc.

Penn Central is a diversified holding company with operations in wire and cable manufacturing, heavy equipment manufacturing, insurance and defense. Its combined revenues in 1989 totaled $1.7 billion.

-30- 1619

#90220u1589 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (AUG. 8) UPI - Four leftist rebels died and two soldiers were wounded in a series of clashes in the eastern countryside of El Salvador, an armed forces spokesman said Wednesday.

Combat in the town of Chirilagua, 70 miles east of the capital, left two rebels dead and three wounded, the spokesman said. Two other rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front died in fighting in the eastern province of La Union.

Rebels also attacked a coffee processing plant early Wednesday morning in Chinameca, San Miguel province, 75 miles east of San Salvador, setting fire to the factory, Civil Guard Commander Juan Antonio Salmeron said.

''About 100 guerillas attacked the coffee plant with gunfire,'' Salmeron said.

He said two soldiers were wounded when rebels descended on an army convoy enroute to the coffee plant to confront the rebel attack.

The violent clashes continue despite recent peace talks between the government and the rebels to end the decade-long war in El Salvador that has cost more than 72,000 lives, mostly civilians.

-30- 1248

#90220u1601 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

CARSON, CA (AUG. 8) UPI - Union negotiators in Southern California's supermarket contract dispute, citing a "crisis" in talks with management, toughened their position Wednesday and imposed a new settle-or-strike deadline.

The announcement of the 7 p.m. PDT Thursday strike deadline came after 18 hours of talks between the management of six supermarket chains and the United Food and Commercial Workers Union, which represents 80,000 clerks and meat cutters.

The negotiations recesssed at about 7 a.m. Wednesday. They were scheduled to resume at 9 a.m. Thursday in Carson at the headquarters of the Food Employers Council, which is representing the six chains.

"After several days of marathon bargaining, we have reached a crisis situation," said Tom Vandevelt, president of the union's San Diego Local 135, which represents about 12,000 of the workers.

"For a while, I had been optimistic that we might conclude these negotiations without a strike. This morning at 6 a.m., all our efforts of putting together an agreement seemed to unwind," Vandevelt said.

On Monday, the union had promised to strike Lucky Stores Inc. at midnight, but a few hours before the deadline, it pulled back and indefinitely postponed the walkout. The union will not push back the strike deadline this time, Vandevelt said, adding, "There will be no more extensions."

A strike against Lucky, the No. 2 chain in Southern California, would probably spread quickly to the other five chains involved in the negotiations - Albertson's, Alpha Beta, Lucky, Ralphs, Stater Bros., and Vons.

David Willauer, a council spokesman, has said that a strike against one of the chains would be viewed as a strike against all, and that the other chains would lock out the union workers. The chains operate about 800 stores between San Luis Obispo and San Diego.

The statement from Vandevelt was in sharp contrast to comments from negotiators Tuesday. Spokesmen for both sides strongly indicated that the probability of a strike had diminished as a result of progress in talks and that a settlment could come soon.

Both sides said Wednesday that they have imposed a news blackout on the negotiations and referred calls to federal mediator Frank Allen, who was not immediately available for comment.

The negotiators have been holding talks on and off since June 18. The union had previously threatened to strike when their previous three-year contract expired July 29, but also backed off that threat as a result of movement toward a settlement. Once a settlement is reached between the negotiators, it would have to be approved by the membership of ten union locals.

Union officials said previous offers had contained unacceptable cuts in health benefits and contained problems with job security, allowing lower-paid workers to do jobs currently performed by higher-paid employees. The supermarket clerks currently earn between $4 and $13.05 per hour, while the meat cutters earn between $9.31 and $14.33 per hour.

Willauer has said that the chains have been preparing for a strike for more than a month by hiring and training replacement workers. He said any disruption in operations would be fairly minimal if a strike occurs, with the most likely effect to be in some reductions in operating hours at 24-hour supermarkets.

The region's last supermarket strike came in 1985, when meat cutters and drivers struck. Retail clerks last walked off the job in 1976.

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#90220u1622 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $2 to $10 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.75 cent lower to 1.20 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 2.00 to 3.65 cents a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.13 cent higher to 0.41 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.20 to $1.50 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - unchanged to $0.10 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.40 cent to 1.75 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 1.4 to 1.8 cent an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.004 to 0.011 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

-30- 969

#90220u1625 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in active trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed slightly higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Slightly lower.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 2 1/2 to up 1/2, soybeans down 1 1/4 to 3, wheat up 2 1/2 to 3 3/4 and oats off 3/4 to up 1/2.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

-30- 764

#90220u1637 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

AUBURN, WASH. (AUG. 8) UPI - A heart-shaped tombstone carved 79 years ago for a 3-year-old Japanese girl was returned to its original resting place this week - 45 years after thieves stole it in the final months of World War II.

''Pretty good,'' Frank Natsuhara, 79, said with a smile as he surveyed the gray marble marker on the grave of his sister, Yu Natsuhara, who was struck by a train in 1911 near the family farm.

Workers at Auburn's Pioneer Cemetery said vandals knocked down headstones on several tombs of Japanese immigrants during the last months of the war. But only one was taken, that of the little girl.

It was finally found in late June, when a backhoe digging land for a new building behind Highline High School unearthed the stone. Officials got it to Frank Natsuhara by checking the local telephone directory.

The marker, lettered in English and Japanese, was in place when the Natsuharas left during World War II for internment at Japanese relocation camps in California and Idaho. But when the family came home in September 1945, they were stunned to see the marker had been taken.

Because the young girl's father had a cement replacement marker affixed to the grave that could not be removed, the original marker had to be cemented to that.

Natsuhara said his older sister, Mary Natsuhara Takemura, 83, of San Francisco, who had witnessed her sister's death, had taken the headstone theft very hard, viewing the missing stone as a message that the spirit of her sister was wandering.

''When I told her the marker was found, she cried like the devil,'' Frank Natsuhara said. ''She's coming up next month for her granddaughter's wedding. The first thing she'll do is come and see this.''

-30- 1924

#90220u1638 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush says his order to send U-S troops and combat jets to Saudi Arabia is needed to protect the Saudis from Iraq... which he said has the fourth-largest military in the world. Bush said history has shown that ''appeasement'' does NOT work... that the world must resist aggression.

At a news conference in Washington... the president said it would be ''unwise and unrealistic'' to assume Iraq would NOT attack again... after invading Kuwait on Thursday. Bush stressed the United States is NOT at war... but is in a defensive position. He said further steps will be taken to bolster an international embargo against Iraq... suggesting a blockade may be established.

Iraq today took more direct control of Kuwait... declaring its annexation. A spokesman for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad justified the overthrow of the Kuwaiti leadership as part of an intifada, the Arabic word for uprising. The spokesman said ''history has proved Kuwait is a part of Iraq.''

Libya's news agency says Libyan leader Gadhafi is talking to Arab leaders about what the report called the ''danger'' posed by U-S troops in Arab lands. The agency says Gadhafi telephoned seven Arab leaders today and yesterday to discuss the alleged threat to ''Arab freedom and dignity.''

Egyptian President Mubarak in Cairo today called for Arab leaders to hold an emergency summit within 24 hours to resolve the Iraq-Kuwait conflict. Egypt's Middle East News Agency said Mubarak's summit offer was swiftly accepted by Algeria, Yemen, Libya, Morocco and Syria. Mubarak also suggested that a joint Arab peace force could be set up.

-30- 1803

#90220u1640 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Entertainment giant Viacom Inc. reported a second-quarter loss Wednesday of $20 million compared with a wider loss of $34.7 million in the year-earlier period.

Viacom's revenues for the period amounted to $383.1 million, up 5 percent from $363.9 million for the 1989 second quarter.

A spokeswoman for Viacom - whose interests include the cable networks MTV, Showtime and Nickelodeon, basic cable systems and televison and radio stations - attributed the deficit to interest expense, which amounted to $73.4 million in the period.

Consolidated earnings from operations of $48.2 million for the second quarter increased 100 percent over $24.1 million recorded a year earlier.

For the first six months, Viacom reported a loss of $37.1 million, compared to earnings of $181.9 million, or $1.54 a share, a year earlier, when the company recorded a one-time gain from the sale of cable systems in suburban New York and Cleveland.

First-half revenues amounted to $776.3 million, an increase of 10 percent from 1989's $705 million.

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#90220u1666 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - The American Bar Association changed its stance on abortion today... taking a neutral position on the issue. The A-B-A's House of Delegates meeting in Chicago narrowly voted to rescind their pro-choice abortion stance. The tally was 200-188. The vote came after hints from the White House that the A-B-A's influence in Washington would dwindle without a change.

The prosecution wrapped up its case today in the New York trial of three

youths accused of beating and raping a Central Park jogger last year. While the prosecution charged that the teen-agers went on a ''spree of uncontrollable violence,'' about a dozen spectators abruptly left the courtroom to hold a prayer vigil for the defendants.

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#90220u1668 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - The parents of one of three youths on trial for the gang rape of a woman jogger stormed out of the courtroom Wednesday when a prosecutor described ''the spree of uncontrolled violence'' in Central Park.

''Imagine what this attack on (the jogger) was like. Imagine the frenzy of these teenagers as they gathered around her waiting to take their turn, grabbing at her, reaching, beating,'' Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer told the jury in her summation at state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

Antron McCray, 16, Yusef Salaam, 16, and Raymond Santana, 15, were indicted in the rape and attempted murder of the 30-year-old investment banker on April 19, 1989. They were allegedly in a group of up to 30 youths that roamed the moonlit park on a random crime spree, attacking nine victims.

''Antron McCray, Yusef Salaam and Raymond Santana went on a spree of uncontrolled violence - they went wild in the park - beating, kicking anyone they could find,'' Lederer told the jury of 10 men and two women, which was expected to begin deliberating the case by Thursday.

During the summation, two loud bangs boomed through the packed courtroom as McCray's parents and 10 supporters stormed out of the room. They held a prayer vigil in the hallway outside, humming and singing spiritual songs.

An angry Justice Thomas Galligan banned the group from returning to his courtroom. It was just two days after he ejected Salaam's mother for screaming ''Liar!'' during a witness' testimony and ordered her not to come back.

Rebutting defense claims that the inconsistencies in the youths' confessions show they were coerced by police, Lederer attributed the differences to the mayhem of the rampage.

''There were so many people there,'' Lederer said. ''In the chaos of what was going on, the rush not to get caught, the rush to get involved, are you surprised that the defendants can't remember the exact details? What do you think their attention was focused on? It was on the wildness of what was going on.''

During defense summations, Santana's lawyer questioned why his client's blue jeans would be clean if he had sexually attacked the jogger in the muddy gully where her naked and battered body was found.

Lederer explained that the jogger was raped on a relatively dry patch of grass but after thrashing and kicking in protest, rolled down an embankment into the mud gulch.

All three defense lawyers also questioned the absence of blood on their clients' clothing.

Lederer said the jogger was bleeding from severe head wounds - far from the prime areas of contact during the sexual attack - and much of the bleeding occurred in the four hours after the gang left her for dead.

To bolster the rape charge, Lederer read aloud McCray's written confession in which he admits penetrating the jogger's vagina with his penis.

She noted that aiding another individual to commit a rape - by subduing the victim with a blow to the head or holding her down, for example - make both assailants equally guilty of rape. Santana admitted on his videotaped confession and Salaam told a detective that they helped others rape the jogger.

Turning to the attempted murder charge, Lederer said the youths could have raped her without repeatedly throttling her with a metal pipe and a rock and then leaving her ''bleeding and unconscious in the most desolate part of the park.''

With two skull fractures, the jogger struggled to survive but could never remember the night that changed her life. When she testified for the prosecution, she could not recall a single detail of the attack.

''It's a miracle that she survived,'' Lederer told the jury.

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#90220u1695 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

BOGOTA, COLOMBIA (AUG. 8) UPI - Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez, whose country belongs to OPEC, said his nation could increase oil production but would not do so without an agreement with other members of the oil cartel.

Perez, speaking to reporters after meeting with newly installed President Cesar Gaviria, also said his nation supported the decisions made by the United States in the Iraq crisis.

Responding to a question about whether Venezuela would increase its oil production, Perez said "We do not have the capacity to supply the United States, but we could increase production by a maximum of some 400,000 to 500,000 barrels."

He said the increased production would "add to others like Saudia Arabia and other producers (of OPEC) but decisions will be made in collective agreement with the members of OPEC and not unilaterally by Venezuela."

Perez met Tuesday with Vice President Dan Quayle, who led the U.S. delegation to the Gaviria inauguration. Quayle brought a message from Bush explaining the U.S. actions after the Iraq invasion of Kuwait, Perez said.

"I am fully in agreement with the decisions made by the United States," he said. He also expressed his nation's "profound solidarity" with the United Nations Security Council resolution concerning the Iraq invation of Kuwait. Venezuela and Ecuador are the ony two South American nations who are members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

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#90220u1709 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.86

60 to 89 days 7.77

90 to 119 days 7.70

120 to 149 days 7.65

150 to 179 days 7.63

180 to 270 days 7.59

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.92 - 7.65

Issuers 30 days 7.79

Issuers 90 days 7.51

Issuers 270 days 7.30

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.97

60 to 89 days 7.97

90 to 119 days 7.96

120 to 149 days 7.96

150 to 179 days 7.97

180 days 7.97

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight	8.00	- 8.125
1 month	7 15-16	- 8 1-16
3 month	7.875	- 8.00
6 month	7.875	- 8.00
Year	8 1-16	- 8 3-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months	7.38	- 7.36
6 months	7.31	- 7.29
Year	7.20	- 7.18

Federal Funds: High 8 1-16, Low 8 1/8, Close 8 1/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7.808 up 0.046.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90220u1727 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 8) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.79 1/2-2.88 1/2 up 3 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.93 1/4 off 2.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.49 1/4-2.57 1/4 off 1 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.57 1/4-2.67 1/4 off 1 3/4.

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#90220u1735 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - The tip-off of the influential role environmental and consumer groups have played in writing the farm policy bill appeared, by some estimates, weeks before the bill was called for floor debate.

It was the overwhelming House vote June 14 for two amendments to cut back on water subsidies to Western farmers. Leaders of two environmental groups say the lopsided victories sent a signal to farm-state legisators.

"The environmental community was able to demonstrate the ability to win," said Justin Ward of the Natural Resources Defense Council. "I think that was helpful to leverage some more environmental concerns (into the bill)."

Although environmental and consumer groups did not get as much as they intially proposed, they secured inclusion of a half-dozen items in the House and Senate versions of the farm bill.

The legislation faces two more hurdles before becoming law: House and Senate negotiators have to write a compromise version and President Bush must decide whether to sign it. The White House has threatened to veto a bill that is a budget-buster or establishes unacceptable policies. Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter indicated Wednesday the veto threat

is still alive but declined to specify adminsitration objections.

The victory list for environmental and consumer groups includes language for the first-ever national standard for what can be called organic food, stronger protection of wetlands, a ban on export of pesicides barred from use by U.S. farmers, a requirement for farmers to keep records on use of pesticides, programs that would help defray the cost for farmers to switch to production methods that reduce the risk of water contamination, and to investigate what effect grading standards have on pesticide use.

Ken Cook of the Center for Resource Economics said the farm bill, formerly a "subsidy and food stamp bill" - half of the Agriculture Department budget is spent on public feeding programs - is being broadened to include other goals.

"Farm bill processes now have to carry additional weight: Consumer and environmental concerns," Cook said, noting how the 1985 farm policy law was the first to link environmental and farm program goals. Since 1985, farmers have been required to practice conservation in order to be eligible for benefits such as crop loans and subsidy payments.

At the start of the year, a coalition of a dozen consumer and environmental groups proposed an expansion of that requirement to control use of pesticides and fertilizers in environmentally sensitive land. That idea faltered, but the water quality programs proposed by the House and Senate are similar to proposals from the coalition.

During House debate, farm-state congressmen used an environmental argument to defeat an amendment to ban crop support payments to big farmers. Opponents said the ban would drive farmers out of the program and remove the government's only tool for assuring environmental compliance. They were aided by letters from four environmental groups that made the same appraisal.

The NRDC, however, supported the cut-off and other groups were neutral. One consumer advocate questioned if it was "a great thing" for environmentalists to take the role of deal-makers.

Cook and House Agriculture Committe Chairman Kika de la Garza, D-Texas, said there were no deals. The events, however, may have strengthened ties between the two sides.

"The committee played it this way," Cook said, "'We will go the extra mile. We want to make this an environmental bill but we want to know if you're going to clobber us on the floor."'

Cook disputed suggestions that environmental groups now are locked into supporting the farm program. "If it turns out that the environmental

portions of the farm bill aren't working ... it's very likely the environmental arguments will turn against the subsidies," he said.

Consumer and environmental groups proved their mettle with passage of the organic food provision. It was the only noteworthy amendment in the House to pass over the objection of Agriculture Committee leaders.

Allen Rosenfeld of Public Voice for Food and Health Policy said passage was aided by rising public interest in food safety and environmental quality. In addition, proponents created a well-organized lobbying effort that included the delivery of a six-pack of organic raspberry lemonade as a reminder of the issue.

"There are quite a few people in Congress (who) if they don't have a local vested interest ... they'll be looking for a 'green' (pro-environment) or a consumer vote," Rosenfeld said.

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#90220u1736 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1126.9
Tuesday	1125.0
Week ago	1130.7
Month ago	1148.7
Year ago	1109.3
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90220u1756 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady defended Wednesday the Bush administration's efforts to rescue the nation's crippled savings and loan industry, but said no one is certain how much the process eventually will cost.

Speaking on the eve of the one-year anniversary of the signing of the Financial Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act, Brady said the job of rescuing the thrift industry is getting done.

''But make no mistake. The problem is immense and the solution is not painless. A problem that was decades in the making cannout be eradicated in one year,'' Brady said in a speech before the Naitonal Press Club.

The government's thrift bailout effort has come under heavy congressional criticism for its slowness and lack of resources. The bailout is expected

to cost taxpayers between $130 billion and $500 billion, making it the most expensive financial enterprise since the Great Depression.

Brady said the exact cost of the bailout hinges on the health of the nation's real estate markets, which have softened in recent months.

''No one can be precise about the exact cost of the cleanup,'' he said. ''It depends almost entirely on the state of the real estate market at the time the (Resolution Trust Corp.) sells the assets it has taken over.''

The RTC was created last August by FIRREA to sell the assets of failed thrifts placed under government control. The agency has taken over 472 insolvent thrifts and has sold the assets of 211 institutions, or one every 48 hours, Brady said.

The rising costs of the bailout, which initially had been estimated at $166 billion, has led to several heated rounds of fingerpointing between the Bush administration and several members of Congress in recent months.

Brady said the bailout's ''staggering'' costs have alarmed taxpayers and firghtened politicians seeking to avoid the wrath of their constituents.

''The line in the political world goes, 'Since I don't make mistakes, someone else must be making them','' he said.

Brady also reiterated the administration's support for the federal deposit insurance system, which guarantees deposits of up to $100,000. So far, he said, the government has paid out $62.8 billion to protect 6.4 million accounts in failed institutions.

''A year after FIRREA, the government's promise to depositors is rock solid,'' he said. Not one single American who trusted in the government's promise to protect his savings has seen that promise violated.''

Later, under questioning from the audience, Brady declined to criticize the monetary policy of the Federal Reserve, but added that the administration would like to see lower interest rates to spur economic growth.

''Although inflation is important, the maintenance of economic growth, or pushing economic growth is very important,'' he said.

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#90220u1765 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	60 1-8	up	1 7-8
AT&T	35	off	3-8
BCE	33	up	1-2
Bell Atl	46 1-2	up	3-4
BellSouth	53 7-8	up	1-4
Exxon	51 3-4	off	1 5-8
Ford Motor	38	unch	
Gen Elect	68	up	3-4
Gen Motor	40 3-4	up	5-8
GTE	27 1-2	up	3-8
IBM	103 1-8	up	1-8
Mobil	66 3-8	off	1 1-8
Nynex	75 3-8	up	1 3-4
Pac Gas El	22 1-8	up	1-4
Pac Teles	41 1-4	up	1 5-8
Phila El	16	up	1-4
Sears Roeb	29 5-8	off	3-8
Southn Co	24 5-8	off	1-8
Sowst Bell	52 3-4	up	1 3-4
US West	36 1-8	up	1 1-8

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#90220u1798 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 15,020,000 shares

1990 to date - 2,147,386,355

Bonds - $2,290,000

1990 to date - $441,764,000

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#90220u1801 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Wednesday - $55,360,000

1990 to date - $7,024,004,000

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#90220u1802 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (AUG. 8) UPI - Brascan Ltd. Wednesday reported second quarter earnings of $44.6 million, or 42 cents a share, down 29 percent from $62.9 million, or 65 cents a share, in the year-ago period.

Revenues at the company increased to $2.26 billion up from $2.02 billion in the second quarter of 1989.

For the first six months, Brascan reported earnings of $82.5 million, or

77 cents a share, compared with $123.3 billion, or $1.28 a share, in 1989. Revenues increased to $4.43 billion from $3.97 billion a year earlier.

Brascan said its results reflected a ''poor economic environment'' and its impact on the company's natural resource earnings.

Natural resource earnings dropped 56 percent to $29.1 million mainly as a result of lower commodity prices, the stronger Canadian dollar and higher interest rates, the company said.

Income from Brascan's consumer and industrial products and financial services divisions, and its investment and other income segment edged upward, the company said.

Brascan said it was confident its base level of earnings - from its consumer and industrial and financial services operations - would allow the company to report a lower than 1989 but reasonable level of earnings in 1990.

Brascan has interests in Noranda Inc., Westmin Resources Ltd., John Labatt Ltd., Scott Paper Co., of Philadelphia; and Trilon Financial Corp.

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#90220u1816 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks	-	190,400,000 shares
1990 to date	-	24,420,633,432
Warrants	-	1,366,700
1990 to date	-	146,723,300

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#90220u1830 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 340.51, low 339.53, close 340.03, up 0.19.

There was a gain of 1 cent in the average share price.

Volume 15,020,000 shares, compared with 19,440,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	5
New Lows	49
Advances	313
Declines	283
Unchanged	242

Total Issues 838

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#90220u1837 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 13 points higher to 41 points lower.

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	76.80	76.95	76.50	76.58	76.99
Dec	72.10	72.41	71.81	71.87	72.11
Mar	73.15	73.29	72.95	72.98	73.13
May	73.66	73.90	73.60	73.66	73.66
Jly	73.55	73.55	73.55	73.50	73.50
Oct	69.80	69.82	69.80	69.67	69.68
Dec	67.90	67.95	67.80	67.88	67.75

Estimated sales: 3,000 contracts
Open interest: 33,591 off 216
The World spot average: 79.81

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#90220u1840 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 8) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Wednesday - 21,098,000
1990 to date - 1,560,067,000

The market closed higher.

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#90220u1866 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - The Bush administration wants Americans to help throw some sand into the gears of Iraq's war machine by turning out lights and driving more slowly.

In a nationally televised speech on the Middle East crisis, President Bush said, ''Conservation measures can also help. Americans everywhere must do their part.''

Reid Detchon, a top assistant in the Energy Department's conservation department, said one of the simplest ways to reduce gasoline consumption is to drive smoothly and carefully.

''Avoid jackrabbit starts,'' said Detchon. ''Don't jump from a dead stop by pushing your accelerator to the floor.''

Inflating automobile tires to the recommended level also saves gas, he said, because ''underinflated tires increase the drag on the vehicle and hurt your efficiency.''

Not exceeding the speed limit of 55 mph on most highways also saves gas, Detchon said. So does carpooling.

''Energy efficiency is important to anybody's economics, if nothing else '' the Energy Department official said. ''Almost anything you do can save money.''

Another easy energy-saving tip involves installing new light bulbs in your home. Replace ordinary incandescent bulbs with new compact flourescent bulbs, Detchon said. They last five times longer and use a fifth of the energy.

''They're expensive on the front end,'' he said, ''but on a life cycle they're quite a lot cheaper than ordinary bulbs'' because they last long and use little energy.

During the summer air-conditioning season, Detchon said, another way to save energy is to replace or clean filters. Also, air conditioners should be operated on a thermostat setting - automatically turning them on and off - rather than on a continuous-operation cycle.

''Use curtains to block heat during the day,'' Detchon added. ''Turn out lights in unoccupied rooms.''

Long-term conservation measures include buying energy-efficient appliances such as refrigerators and furnaces. When replacing windows, new ''low emissivity'' glass insulates far more than ordinary panes.

''There is a great loss of heat through windows,'' Detchon said.

Caulking and insulation also save money, he said. Before winter, furnaces should be tuned up for better heating efficiency.

The Energy Department said people may call a toll-free telephone number to receive a free booklet, ''Tips for Energy Savers.'' The number is (800) 523-2929.

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#90220u1868 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.73	off 0.52

10 Public Utils 91.73 off 0.58
10 Industrials 89.74 off 0.45

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#90220u1875 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	259.10	263.60	259.10	262.60	259.90
Dec	263.50	266.60	263.50	265.80	263.10
Mar	....	....	....	269.50	266.80

Previous day volume: 169 contracts.
Open interest: 1,359 off 19

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	336.50	341.30	336.50	339.55	337.20
Dec	340.20	344.70	340.20	343.45	341.10
Mar	345.00	348.00	343.50	346.65	344.30
Jun	....	352.00	347.00	350.75	348.40

Today's estimated volume: 45,388 contracts.
Open interest: 126,784 up 1,832

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	183.85	186.60	183.85	185.60	184.30
Dec	185.70	188.35	185.70	187.70	186.40
Mar	189.75	189.75	189.75	189.80	188.50

Open interest: 5,940 up 192

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	554.00	558.50	550.50	555.65	553.20
Sep	553.20	560.00	553.20	558.25	555.40

Estimated volume 4,625 contracts.
Open interest: 6,620 off 476

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#90220u1877 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	395.10	245.61	134.47	25.43	334.83

Opening	395.47	245.83	134.51	25.51	335.17
11 a.m.	398.01	247.20	135.13	25.99	337.17
Noon	398.83	247.87	135.71	25.67	337.99
1 p.m.	398.92	248.86	136.19	25.74	338.28
2 p.m.	399.11	247.86	136.34	25.73	338.41
3 p.m.	398.54	247.08	136.21	25.69	337.94
Close	398.96	247.57	136.38	25.76	338.35
Change	up 3.86	up 1.96	up 1.91	up 0.33	up 3.52

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#90220u1888 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	134,705,216	37 1/8	off 3/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	87,951,576	75 1/2	up 5/8
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	78,066,672	82 1/2	up 2 1/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	74,352,992	63 1/2	up 2 1/4
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	55,717,676	30 1/4	up 1 5/8
Sigma Allied		48,540,012	55	off 5/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	43,128,772	34 7/8	up 1/4
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	41,668,328	45 7/8	up 2 1/4
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	36,921,236	23 1/2	up 5/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	35,591,536	40 1/8	up 5/8

Composite Index 178.53 up 2.53

NMS volume 111,977,400 shares.

Advances	1,015
Declines	575
Unchanged	1,237
Total	2,827

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#90220u1905 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - Having rallied global support against Iraqi aggression and ordered U.S. troops into the Saudi Arabia, President Bush seemed emotionally drained Wednesday.

Speaking at a White House news conference following a nationally televised address, Bush made a couple of slips of the tongue. And he even thanked reporters for pointing out his misstatements.

''I've screwed up a couple of times here, and I'm very grateful for your assistance in straightening it out,'' Bush said. ''God, I'd hate to have

of those answers stand.''

At one point, asked to explain his military objectives in the Persian Gulf Bush said, ''the defense of the Soviet Union.''

''Saudi Arabia?'' a reporter inquired.

Bush nodded and said, the ''defense of Saudi Arabia.''

Asked if any one specific action prompted his decision to send troops, Bush said: ''It would perhaps be the Saudis moving south when they said they were withdrawing.''

''You mean the Iraqis, sir?'' another reporter asked.

''I mean the Iraqi - thank you very much,'' Bush said. ''It's been a long night.''

It was a long night for lot of people at the White House.

At about 3 a.m., Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, just back from the Persian Gulf, sat in a limousine in the White House driveway and was handed a copy of the speech the president planned to deliver to the American people later in the morning.

Cheney promptly began to review the address, and then returned to the White House shortly past dawn to confer with the president.

''I'm very pleased with the cooperation we're receiving'' from other nations, Bush told a reporter while walking from the executive mansion to the Oval Office at 6:40 a.m.

His collar was open. His demeanor was upbeat.

An hour later, Bush held a breakfast meeting with Secretary of State James Baker, national security adviser Brent Scowcroft, and Cheney, who on his trip to the Middle East persuaded King Fadh of Saudi Arabia to permit U.S. troops on his bases.

At 9 a.m., Bush, in a dark suit with a maroon tie, delivered his televised address.

''If history teaches us anything, it is that we must resist aggression or it will destroy our freedom,'' said Bush, likening Saddam to Adolf Hitler.

''America's does not seek conflict, nor chart the destiny of other nations '' he said. ''But America will stand by her friends.''

After the president's 13-minute speech, photographers were ushered in to take pictures of Bush. The president was still at his desk.

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#90220u1924 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	340.03	up 0.19
High Technology	339.41	up 8.71
Capital Goods	378.72	up 1.60
Consumer Goods	417.82	up 0.03
Service	778.53	up 7.04
Retail	1097.38	up 8.74
Natural Resourc	252.65	off 3.78
Housing-Const-L	355.52	up 3.61

There was a gain of 1 cent in the price of an Amex share.

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REGIONALS

New England	428.58	up 0.12
Mid Atlantic	438.03	up 3.00
No Central	482.32	off 0.17
So Atlantic	986.40	up 6.62
So Central	334.38	off 0.58
Mountain	122.75	up 1.33
Pacific	398.89	up 7.36
Foreign	249.88	off 3.58

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#90220u1929 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austrl	.000180	.000181	5560.00	5515.00
Australia dlr	.7944	.7915	1.2588	1.2634
Austria schill	.0889	.0899	11.25	11.12
Belgium frnc-c	.0305	.0309	32.74	32.34
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0141	.0141	71.02	70.82
Britain pound	1.8695	1.8733	.5349	.5338
Britain 1-mo	1.8586	1.8620	.5380	.5371
Britain 3-mo	1.8372	1.8415	.5443	.5430
Britain 6-mo	1.8091	1.8118	.5528	.5519

Canada dollar	.8713	.8693	1.1477	1.1503
Canada 1-mo	.8671	.8651	1.1533	1.1559
Canada 3-mo	.8601	.8583	1.1626	1.1651
Canada 6-mo	.8511	.8499	1.1750	1.1766
Chile peso-f	.003454	.003455	289.54	289.42
China yuan	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127
Colombia pes	.001978	.001978	505.65	505.65
Denmark krne	.1650	.1663	6.0605	6.0150
Ecudr sucr-z	.001116	.001116	895.95	895.95
Egypt pound	.3742	.3755	2.6727	2.6628
Finlnd mrkka	.2668	.2686	3.7485	3.7225
France franc	.1875	.1884	5.3330	5.3075
France 1-mo	.1872	.1881	5.3413	5.3162
France 3-mo	.1865	.1874	5.3617	5.3356
France 6-mo	.1855	.1864	5.3915	5.3660
Greece drach	.006442	.006478	155.22	154.37
Hollnd guildr	.5580	.5607	1.7920	1.7835
HongKong dlr	.1286	.1286	7.7735	7.7735
India rupee	.0580	.0580	17.25	17.23
Indo'sa rupia	.000543	.000543	1842.00	1841.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.6845	1.6950	0.5936	0.5900
Israel shekel	.5025	.5051	1.9900	1.9800
Italy lira	.000859	.000863	1164.00	1159.25
Japan yen	.006665	.006651	150.03	150.35
Japan 1-mo	.006669	.006652	149.95	150.34
Japan 3-mo	.006670	.006652	149.93	150.34
Japan 6-mo	.006671	.006652	149.90	150.34
Jordan dinar	1.5328	1.5352	0.6524	0.6514
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico pes-z	.000349	.000349	2864.00	2866.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6010	.6017	1.6639	1.6620
Norway krne	.1625	.1635	6.1525	6.1170
Pakistn rupee	.0466	.0466	21.48	21.48
Peru inti	.000004	.000004	246,250	246,250
P'pnes peso-z	.0441	.0441	22.66	22.66
Portugl escd	.007183	.007207	139.21	138.76
Saudi riyal	.2668	.2668	3.7480	3.7480
Singapore dlr	.5537	.5545	1.8060	1.8035
S.Africa rand	.3889	.3881	2.5715	2.5765
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010235	.010293	97.70	97.15
Sweden krona	.1715	.1724	5.8310	5.8010
Switzrl franc	.7474	.7499	1.3380	1.3335
Switzrl 1-mo	.7469	.7493	1.3389	1.3346
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7454	.7476	1.3416	1.3376

Switzrl 6-mo	.7435	.7457	1.3450	1.3410
Taiwan dollar	.0370	.0371	27.00	26.93
Turkey lira	.000378	.000380	2643.00	2635.00
UAE dirham	.2725	.2725	3.6699	3.6699
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0207	.0207	48.36	48.41
W.Ger Mark	.6287	.6312	1.5905	1.5843
W.Ger 1-mo	.6286	.6310	1.5909	1.5847
W.Ger 3-mo	.6279	.6303	1.5926	1.5865
W.Ger 6-mo	.6264	.6289	1.5963	1.5901
Yugoes dinar	.0919	.0926	10.88	10.80

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90220u1933 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Alcan Aluminum	12,532,000	22 7/8	up 3/8
Philip Morris	3,026,300	45 5/8	up 3/8
AT&T Co	2,407,400	35	off 3/8
Wal Mart Stores	2,292,000	30 1/4	up 1 5/8
GTE Corp	2,116,900	27 1/2	up 3/8
Boeing Co	2,033,000	53	up 1
Exxon Corp	1,981,900	51 3/4	off 1 5/8
IBM Corp	1,884,800	103 1/8	up 1/8
Utd Telecomm	1,854,500	24 3/8	up 3/8
Global Marine	1,827,500	5 3/8	unch
Texaco Inc	1,655,300	62 3/4	off 1 7/8
Genl Electric	1,586,900	67 7/8	up 5/8
Eastmn Kodak	1,547,200	41 1/8	up 1 1/8
McDonalds Corp	1,515,900	30 1/8	up 3/8
Waste Management	1,501,400	39 1/8	up 1 1/2

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#90220u1937 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	407.73	up	5.65	435.91	462.41
Industrial	436.54	up	7.53	470.38	450.19

Finance	399.92	up	2.51	417.59	546.10
Insurance	472.97	up	5.50	490.91	536.80
Utility	559.43	up	6.33	601.90	718.50
Bank	301.34	up	2.77	315.83	481.11
Transport	447.57	up	2.98	482.44	462.89

Composite 1990 High 469.60
1990 Low 410.72
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	178.53	up	2.53
Industrial Index	172.42	up	3.04
NASDAQ-100 Index	411.16	up	5.85

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#90220u1940 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Salomon wtJn	765,000	11 1/8	off 7/8
Denmark K wt	652,200	11 7/8	off 1
Eksport A S	516,400	4 1/4	off 1/4
Wstrn Digital	482,300	9 7/8	off 1/4
Amdahl Corp	468,100	13 3/8	up 7/8
Amrcs gte sc	432,700	8 5/8	up 1/8
Salomon wtFb	427,500	12 1/4	off 5/8
Wang Labs B	419,400	3 3/4	unch
Bankers Trst wt	416,200	27 5/8	off 1 5/8
Summa Medical	374,700	1 7/8	unch

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#90220u1944 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WESTOVER AIR FORCE BASE, MA (AUG. 8) UPI - Eight giant Air Force Reserve C-5A cargo jets, the largest airborne transport in the U.S. military, were called into action, but officials would not say Wednesday what role the aircraft could play in the Middle Eastern crisis.

The eight C-5A Galaxy transports are among 16 of the aircraft assigned to the 439th Tactical Airlift Wing at Westover Air Force Base in Chicopee, Mass., base spokesman Gordon Newell said. They took off from Westover at different intervals, beginning with one already scheduled flight that left during the weekend, he said.

''Eight of the aircraft have been put into the regular Air Force system to move equipment. Where, I don't know, and if I did, I could not release

that information until the mission is over,'' Newell said.

One of the eight aircraft was on ''a routine mission to Turkey that was planned before all this started,'' Newell said. ''It's what we call a routine 'Turkey trot.'''

Air bases in Turkey, a member of the NATO alliance, are within striking distance of Iraq and could play a major role in U.S. military actions in the area, military analysts have said.

Some C-5As were seen landing at Pope Air Force Base, adjacent to Fort Bragg, N.C., where they likely would pick up heavy artillery equipment and helicopters troops will need in Saudi Arabia.

Dozens of Air Force reservists called Westover to volunteer for action in Saudi Arabia, where U.S. troops have been deployed to deter a possible attack by Iraq, Newell said.

''The phones have been ringing off the hook,'' he said. ''We're taking their names at this point.''

The Westover C-5As were last called into active duty during the Dec. 20 invasion of Panama in which that nation's de facto leader, Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega, was deposed, Newell said. The C-5As transported military personnel and equipment during the Panama mission, he said.

A C-5A can carry up to two M-1 battle tanks, three CH47 Chinook helicopters, eight to 10 Cobra gunship helicopters, and 73 support personnel, Newell said. It also can be converted into an airbus and carry up to 263 military personnel, he said.

''The C-5A is the largest transport in the free world and is designed for rapid on-loading and off-loading of equipment and personnel,'' Newell said.

With a maximum payload of 7,069 pounds, the C-5A can travel at speeds of about 570 mph. It is 252 feet long and has a 222-foot wingspan.

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#90220u1947 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

TRAVERSE CITY, MI (AUG. 8) UPI - A top Ford Motor Co. executive said Wednesday the auto industry was ready with fuel-efficient cars should the Persian Gulf situation worsen.

Speaking at the University of Michigan's annual Management Briefing seminar in Traverse City, Ford Executive Vice President Louis Ross said the industry was much better prepared than it was in the late 1970s, when the last oil shocks occurred.

''Very high mpg small cars are available today from Ford even though they meet the needs of very few customers,'' Ross said.

Figures show that subcompact car sales now account for about 18.5 percent of the total U.S. vehicle market. But some analysts said only a substantial price increase at the gasoline pump or a lack of availability will create a dramatic shift in current buyer habits.

Ford recently introduced all-new versions of its Escort and Tracer subcompact cars, based on designs by its Japanese affiliate Mazda but produced at plants in Michigan and Mexico.

Ford must sell nearly 500,000 of those small cars a year to meet corporate average fuel economy (CAFE) standards. Otherwise, it may have to curtail domestic production of its larger, more profitable but less fuel-efficient cars or risk government fines.

Ross also said that rapidly changing geopolitical events have the power to shape the auto industry as never before, with great sales potential opening up in Eastern Europe, the Soviet Union, India and the Pacific Rim.

''Fundamental economic changes must occur to support the dramatic political reform they are now experiencing,'' he said, adding that otherwise, any political progress already made could be undermined.

''It is for these reasons that Ford has been cautious in its approach to Eastern Europe,'' Ross said.

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#90220u1953 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6825	up 100
UAL Corp	114 1/2	up 13 1/2
Pitney pf	162	off 8
Captl Cities	508 3/4	up 7 7/8
CBS Corp	176	up 6 3/4
Wash Post	239	up 6 1/2
Pioneer Elec	80 1/4	off 5
Disney World	108	up 4 5/8
Lilly Eli wt	81	up 4 1/4
Dillard DS	84 1/4	up 4 1/4
Enron pf	185 1/2	off 4 1/4

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#90220u1967 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
BOSTON (AUG. 8) UPI - Two city councilors and a coalition of religious and political conservatives are taking new aim at the Robert Mapplethorpe exhibit at the Institute of Contemporary Art because of seven photographs they find objectionable or obscene.

Councilor Albert L. ''Dapper'' O'Neil asked the full council Wednesday to order the museum to remove seven photographs depicting homoeroticism or child nudity from the exhibition of 120 Mapplethorpe works.

''I don't want to close the show. I just want those seven photographs taken down,'' O'Neil said. The council tabled his motion.

The controversial exhibition opened Aug. 1 in Boston and closes Oct. 4.

Councilor James Kelly said he will seek $210,000 in back rent on the city-owned building, a former firehouse the ICA began leasing in 1973 for $14,000 a year for 99 years.

Kelly, no fan of Mapplethorpe's work, asked for a hearing to investigate the lease arrangement and require the museum to pay any back rent or face the possibility of closure. The request was referred to committee.

''The ICA is going to make a handsome profit on the Mapplethorpe show,'' Kelly told The Boston Globe. ''In light of that, I think it is high time they pay the rent they owe to the city.''

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#90220u1970 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 8) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	185.40	up	1.95
ASE Market Value Index	340.03	up	0.19
Dow-Jones Industrial	2734.90	up	24.26

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#90220u1971 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2734.90	up	24.26
20 Trans	991.41	up	26.64
15 Utils	205.55	up	1.14
65 Stocks	958.79	up	12.72

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#90220u1974 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2734.90	up	24.26	991.42	up	26.64	205.55	up	1.14
Tuesday	2710.64	off	5.70	964.78	off	15.51	204.41	off	0.51
Tuesday	2899.26	off	5.94	1090.88	off	2.55	212.90	up	2.89
Month ago	2932.67	up	41.83	1155.29	up	9.67	204.79	up	1.19
Year ago	2686.08	off	13.09	1406.29	up	50.49	220.32	off	1.32
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2543.24			964.78			200.20		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90220u1980 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
VATICAN CITY (AUG. 8) UPI - Pope John Paul II urged Christians to pray for world peace Wednesday and the Vatican newspaper L'Osservatore Romano lamented ''the attack by Iraqi troops on the little emirate'' of Kuwait.

Speaking to a group of Japanese pilgrims during his weekly general audience in the vast Paul VI hall at the Vatican, the Roman Catholic pontiff made no direct reference to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

But he said ''the solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in heaven is now imminent. I know that this same day you commemorate the end of World War II.''

''Now, therefore, most dear pilgrims, invoking the maternal intercession of the Madonna, let us pray for peace in the world,'' the Polish pope said speaking in Japanese.

It was the first time the pope, who took time off from his annual vacation at his summer palace at Castel gandolfo outside Rome to hold the general audience, has mentioned, albeit indirectly, the turmoil in the Middle East.

Some Vatican sources said the pontiff may be reluctant to jeopardize the fate of Iraq's large Christian community by condemning the invasion of Kuwait more explicitly. Roman Catholics will celebrate the Assumption of Mary Aug. 15.

It was left to the semi-official Vatican newspaper L'Osservatore Romano to explore the issues at stake in the Gulf stand-off more at length.

''What has happened to the dignity and sovereignty of an independent state a fully-fledged member of the international community?'' asked L'Osservatore.

The newspaper said that concerns over the effect of the crisis on world petroleum markets and share values may have missed the point.

''The tone of the first day, emphasizing a worldwide condemnation of the attack by Iraqi troops on the little emirate, synthesized in an immediate and strong resolution by the U.N. Security Council, has, slowly but surely shifted to the problems of stock exchanges and the increase (in the price) of petroleum.''

''Many display a profund political uncertainty, perhaps seeing on the scales a relationship of forces - military and economic - well before a balance of values,'' said the newspaper of the Holy See.

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#90220u1987 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 8) UPI - UAL Corp. directors Wednesday considered whether to extend Thursday's financing deadline for a foundering $4.4 billion, $201-a-share buyout bid by United Airlines employees.

The UAL board convened at 2 p.m., but there was no immediate word on a decision on the deadline extension. Three of five banks that tentatively agreed to take the lead in financing the deal have backed down in recent weeks.

The employee group was able to recruit a replacment for one of the three deserting banks, sources said. But the sources said uncertainty over the effects of the Iraq-Kuwait crisis - and soaring oil prices - on the airline industry left the proposed deal on shaky ground. Experts said it will take more than resolving the Persian Gulf crisis to persuade bankers that the UAL buyout is viable.

Kurt Karmin, chairman of the Chicago-based investment firm Rodman & Renshaw, said the buyout price is too high, even without the problems in the Persian Gulf. "That $200 price is ridiculous. United Airlines isn't worth $200, and certainly not in today's environment." he said. "They're probably going to have to come way down in price - probably to $125 to $150 - to make it work," Karmin said.

United's three employee unions - the Airline Pilots Association, the Association of Flight Attendants and the International Association of Machinists - reached agreement with UAL directors last April on the $4.4 billion, $201-a-share, employee buyout.

Under the agreement, United Employee Acquisition Corp. had until Thursday to obtain commitments or reasonable assurances of financing for the deal, and until Dec. 9 to complete the acquisition.

The union groups agreed to major contract concessions in exchange for ownership stakes in the airline. Non-union workers also recently signed on to the deal, agreeing to concessions for a stake in the company.

Earlier this summer, the UAL board - at the request of United Employee Acquisition Corp. Chairman Gerald Greenwald - delayed granting contracts on a major purchase of widebody aircraft.

Greenwald planned to use that order - expected to be worth $15 billion - as leverage to get suppliers to invest in convertible bonds that would be subordinate to bank financing.

A source in the employee group said Greenwald had been hoping to raise as much as $1 billion by selling the subordinated bonds to UAL suppliers - specifically aircraft and engine builders and aircraft leasing companies that stood to profit from the widebody order. The remainder of the financing was to come from banks.

The employee group last month reached tentative agreements with Bankers Trust Co., Manufacturers Hanover Corp., Chase Manhattan Corp., Chemical Bank and Citicorp. But Citicorp, Chemical Bank and Chase Manhattan backed down in recent weeks.

Citicorp and Chase Manhattan were the lead banks in the attempt to syndicate financing for a $6.75 million, $300-a-share employee-led buyout of UAL that collapsed for lack of financing last October.

Security Pacific Corp., however, joined Bankers Trust and Manufacturers Hanover in backing the new buyout bid and trying to syndicate the remainder of the financing.

"They've (the lead banks) been pitching this to a lot of people, and might even have had a little interest until last week," a Chicago banking source said. "Now nobody even wants to talk about it."

He said the buyout proposal was "only marginally viable a week ago, even to an optimist." "Now with the goings on in the Persian Gulf with Iran and Kuwait, financing something like this is unthinkable," he said.

The buyout plan offered UAL stockholders $155 a share in cash plus $35 a share in senior subordinated notes bearing 16 percent interest and a proportional stake in a new security of Covia Corp., the UAL subsidiary that holds a 50 percent stake in the Apollo computer reservations system.

United's financial advisers have calculated the value of the Covia interest to be worth about $11 a share.

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#90220u2005 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush said Wednesday he was satisfied that U.S. intelligence agencies knew in advance and offered adequate warning of Iraq's preparations to invade Kuwait.

''I don't feel let down by the intelligence at all,'' Bush said. ''When you plan a blitzkrieg-like attack that is launched at 2 o'clock in the morning, it's pretty hard to stop.''

During a White House news conference, Bush, a former CIA director himself, went to bat for the intelligence community against grumbling from some circles that the swift Iraqi takeover of Kuwait caught the United States by surprise.

Intelligence officials complain that politicians are all too quick to point a finger of blame at ''intelligence failures'' for crises the United States in the best of circumstances might be ill-prepared or even helpless to prevent.

CIA Director William Webster has been a frequent target of criticism, accused of presiding over a bureaucracy that was slow to foresee unrest in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union and coup attempts in Panama and the Philippines.

When similar doubts surfaced again Wednesday, Bush offered a vote of confidence for the CIA, which took the unusual step last Friday of breaking with a policy of not commenting on such matters to defend its monitoring of events leading up to the invasion.

''We provided policymakers with very useful and timely information on these events and continue to do so,'' a CIA spokesman said at the time. ''There were no surprises.''

Based on satellite reconnaissance photos and reports from diplomats in the region, American intelligence analysts were aware more than two weeks ago that Iraq had massed as many as 30,000 troops along its border with Kuwait.

At the time, however, outright invasion was anything but a foregone conclusion. U.S. officials first believed Iraq's unpredictable leader, Saddam Hussein, was merely up to a bit of intimidation, hoping to extort oil revenues and loan forgiveness from the rich Kuwaiti royal family.

What the CIA had problems determining then as well as now were Saddam's precise intentions. While actions speak for themselves, said one administration official, ''we've just not been able to get inside the guy's head.''

The hard intelligence was there, officials said, even if it did not predict the speed or ease with which Iraqi troops would sweep through Kuwait or what Saddam would do once he had expanded his Persian Gulf power base.

Bush suggested that Saddam's own denials of any hostile intent, which should have been viewed with no small amount of skepticism by U.S. analysts, made it even more difficult to forecast events with any degree of certainty.

Overall, he said, ''the intelligence community deserves certain credit for picking up what was a substantial (military) buildup and then reporting it to us.'' The intelligence community assumes responsibility only for seeing the information gets into the right hands, not for any political or military decisions that may result.

''This information was relayed properly to interested parties,'' Bush said ''but the move was so swift that it was pretty hard to stop it.''

Should the United States have taken a far more aggressive early stand against Saddam even without conclusive evidence that he would send his 100,000 or more troops across the border into Kuwait, stay there and annex it as his own?

The fact of the matter is that the available intelligence was not so much inaccurate as incomplete. Even when the invasion appeared imminent, U.S. officials could not tell whether Saddam would stay just long enough to demand a big payoff from Kuwait for claims against its oil profits or for good.

As White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Wednesday, ''We did the best we could.''

''We think it was the best reading of the situation and attempt to influence events,'' he said. ''And the fact is that Saddam Hussein has acted as an international outlaw in this matter. And you just can't predict those things.''

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#90220u2017 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - Bush Administration officials flew to Paris Wednesday to confer with oil-consuming allies on the possible use of petroleum reserves to offset the economic effects of Iraq's invasion of Persian Gulf neighbor Kuwait.

U.S. crude prices rose more than $8 a barrel, or about 40 percent, in the

week since the Aug. 2 Iraqi takeover of Kuwait. The United Nations has placed an embargo on oil shipments from Iraq and Kuwait.

John Easton, the Energy Department's assistant secretary for international affairs and emergencies, led a team of administration officials to attend an emergency meeting of the International Energy Agency on the Mideast crisis set for Thursday.

The Paris-based IEA is made up of most of the world's oil-consuming industrialized nations.

Some IEA nations maintain oil reserves similar to the U.S. Strategic Petroleum Reserve of nearly 600 million barrels of crude oil stored in salt caverns in the southwestern part of the nation.

''We are prepared to use our SPR but would prefer to coordinate its use with our allies,'' said the Energy Department's Penny Adams, speaking for Easton.

''We will draw down the SPR if the severity of the situation warrants it '' she said.

In their meeting Thursday, Easton and representatives of allied nations will discuss the possible use of their reserves and other issues, Adams said.

Before supplies can be taken from the SPR, President Bush must make a presidential determinaton that the severity of the situation warrants its use, the spokeswoman said.

The United States used an average of 16.9 million barrels a day during the first six months of 1990. Of that amount, 8.43 million barrels - representing 49.9 percent of the total - were imports.

The SPR now has stores of 587 million barrels, about a 70-day supply of imported crude.

Congress authorized the U.S. reserve in 1975 after the Arab oil embargo, ordered after the 1973 Arab-Israeli war, led to long lines at U.S. gasoline stations.

Current SPR capacity is 627 million barrels, but when a new storage area in the Big Hill caverns 20 miles southwest of Beaumont, Texas, is ready to accept oil in September 1991, capacity will reach its authorized 750 million barrels.

New Senate legislation calls for increasing the authorized capacity to 1 billion barrels.

The SPR is now being filled at a rate of 39,000 barrels a day, or 14.2 million barrels a year, down from a peak rate of 336,000 barrels a day in 1981. Each barrel equals 42 gallons.

Daily deliveries dropped off from 119,000 barrels in 1985 to 51,000 barrels in 1986, the year an overproduction crisis in the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries dropped the bottom out of support for world prices.

But as memories of the oil problems of the 1970s faded, Congress became reluctant to authorize money to purchase more oil for the SPR.

As a result, the SPR office has turned to leasing, rather than purchasing, oil as a cheap way of filling the caverns.

The Senate bill would give SPR officials broad powers for leasing crude from foreign suppliers such as Saudi Arabia, Venezuela and Norway, all of which have expressed an interest in this type of deal.

A separate bill passed by the House would require congressional approval of each leasing deal on a case-by-case basis.

The differences between the two bills must still be ironed out by a House-Senate conference committee.

Whether leasing is feasible depends on the amount of latitude the SPR is given in making deals, one U.S. government official said. The idea of leasing oil for the SPR came from Saudi Arabia or the United States - depending on who one talks to.

Last fall, Deputy Energy Secretary W. Henson Moore was quoted as saying Saudi Arabia had proposed a leasing arrangement that would allow the United States to get maximum mileage out of the meager dollars approved by Congress for filling the reserve.

The Saudis, in turn, would be able to make money on crude that would not be counted against the limit imposed on its output by the OPEC cartel.

OPEC quotas are in terms of crude sold to foreign nations. Any oil leased to the SPR would still be owned by the Saudis even though it was located in an underground U.S. cavern.

But, perhaps embarassed by this proposed end-run around OPEC quotas, Hisham Nazer, the Saudi oil minister, in March said: ''The leasing idea came from the United States. We do not yet know for sure what it is they want to do.''

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#90220u2033 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2712.38	2763.37	2691.34	2734.90	up 24.26
20 Trans	972.08	1002.55	964.60	991.42	up 26.64
15 Utils	204.16	207.05	202.72	205.55	up 1.14
65 Stock	948.16	968.50	940.92	958.79	up 12.72

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	28,102,200	42,831,000
Trans	4,213,600	4,984,800
Utils	3,837,000	4,437,400
65 Stock	36,152,800	52,253,200

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.73	off 0.52
10 Public Utils	91.73	off 0.58
10 Industrials	89.74	off 0.45

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 132.45 off 0.09.

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#90220u2034 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - Thirty-nine Americans held by Iraq since the invasion of Kuwait remained confined to a Baghdad hotel Wednesday, permitted to ''use the swimming pool,'' but prevented by armed guards from leaving, U.S. officials said.

U.S. officials have refused to say that the detained Americans, including a 10-year-old girl from California, are held as hostages, describing them instead as being ''sequestered'' by Iraqi soldiers at the Hotel Rashid.

The Americans have not been threatened and are free to move about the hotel, State Department officials said.

President Bush said Wednesday he was ''encouraged'' by reports that other Americans in Kuwait and Iraq were free to leave, and he refused to speculate about whether Iraqi President Saddam Hussein might try to use U.S. citizens as pawns in the Persian Gulf crisis.

The 39 Americans include 11 oil field workers taken into Iraqi custody at

the outset of last Thursday's invasion, 25 Americans who were among 155 foreigners rounded up from three hotels in Kuwait City days later, and three others who already were in the Baghdad area, State Department officials said.

The United States has demanded the Iraqi government let the Americans leave, but the response has ''not been satisfactory,'' State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

A U.S. diplomat has been in contact with the Americans at the hotel in downtown Baghdad, and all appeared to be safe and unharmed, a senior U.S. official said.

''There are armed guards located at the hotel, but the Americans have not been threatened,'' Boucher said.

''They can use the swimming pool, but they can't leave the hotel,'' one official said.

Among the 39 Americans at the Hotel Rashid is 10-year-old Penelope Nabokov Albany, Calif. Her father, Peter, a professor at the University of California at Berkeley, said Wednesday the State Department first notified him of his daughter's whereabouts on Tuesday.

''She was pronounced in good spirits, spunky, and well-groomed,'' the anthropology professor told reporters at a news conference in suburban Oakland, Calif.

Penelope was on a flight from London to India when the plane, a British Airways jetliner, became stranded in Kuwait during a stopover in the emirate while the Iraqi invasion was underway.

The State Department declined to identify any of the Americans held in Baghdad, but confirmed that a 10-year-old California girl was among them.

The State Department has warned the Iraqi ambassador, Mohamed al-Mashat, that the United States holds the government of Iraq responsible for the safety of the Americans.

On Saturday, al-Mashat had said the 11 American oilfield workers were ''free to leave.''

About 350 Americans reside in Iraq, according to State Department officials, but there were no signs that they were being detained or prevented from leaving.

In addition, more than 3,000 Americans were in Kuwait at the time of the invasion and many are reported to have crossed by land into Jordan.

A State Department consular task force has fielded 11,000 telephone calls from relatives of the Americans believed to still be in Iraq and Kuwait.

At a White House news conference Wednesday, President Bush responded to a question about the potential for hostage-taking by saying: ''I've been encouraged that there ... have been announcements, I believe, saying people were free to leave. So I'm not going to speculate ... beyond that. I want to see them (Americans) out of there, obviously. But what he (Saddam) does, that's a bit unpredictable.''

Bush added, ''I'm not going to heighten tensions in this regard by responding to hypothetical questions.''

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(AUG. 8) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.95	8.05	9.24
91-day Treasury bills	7.61	7.56	7.92
182-day Treasury bills	7.68	7.64	8.60
1-year Treasury bills	7.71	7.68	7.55
3-year Treasury notes	8.18	8.17	7.98
7-year Treasury notes	8.60	8.60	8.02
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.84	8.84	8.14
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.35	9.35	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.90	9.92	9.09
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.16	9.14	8.97
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.46	9.30	8.92
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.50	9.50	9.17
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.49	9.48	9.16

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90220u2046 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - The dollar was mixed in New York trading Wednesday as market participants remained nervous but took some reassurance from

President Bush's declaration he would not launch an offensive against Iraq.

The dollar moved up and then retraced on Bush's speech to the nation, traders said. "It was almost (a situation of) 'buy on the rumor, sell on the speech,'" said David Wilson, a Girozentrale Vienna currency vice president.

Bush's declaration "basically keeps the tensions somewhat lower key for the time being," thus moderating buying of the dollar by investors in search of a safe haven, Wilson said. But the risk of Iraqi attack remained.

Lisa Finstrom, a Shearson Lehman Hutton analyst, agreed Bush "helped to calm the nerves a little bit." But doubt about Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's next move "leaves the dollar ready to bounce," she said.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.5925 German marks, ahead from 1.5865 late Tuesday but had lost ground against the Japanese yen, at 149.85 yen compared with 150.90.

Finstrom said the day's decline in oil prices helped the dollar, because oil price surges make a U.S. recession more likely. But she noted an underlying bearish sentiment on the unit, given U.S. economic woes.

Trader Stephen Burnett of the Bank fur Gemeinwirtschaft concurred. "More than likely we will see the dollar gain strength as confrontations develop" in the Mideast, he said. "But economic considerations will prevail."

Wilson described a seasonally thin market of mostly routine trade-related and corporate transactions. "The speculators, to an extent, are sitting on the sidelines ... and looking for opportunities," he said.

Most dealers saw a reduction of the dollar's attractiveness as a safe haven for investors in political crises, pointing to dim U.S. economic prospects and heightened competition in world financial markets. The dollar "is losing that glamour," Burnett said. "People are more concerned about the return on their money."

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3385 Swiss francs, up slightly from 1.3380; 5.3380 French francs, up from 5.3180; and 1,165.00 Italian lire, also ahead from 1,160 late Tuesday. The British pound moved down slightly to $1.8700 from $1.8710.

In Europe, the dollar strengthened in cautious trading against the European currencies as the U.S. deployment of troops in Saudi Arabia brought a measure of stability to currency markets and lifted the U.S. unit.

Dealers were wary of buying or selling but maintained their dollar positions in safe-haven strategies amid the military buildup. "The market is very nervous, bearish, looking for direction," a London dealer said. "No one wants to be short of dollars in case of an attack in the Middle East, so it is the safe-haven currency to some extent."

The dollar rose in both Frankfurt, to 1.5940 marks against 1.5790 Tuesday, and Zurich, to 1.3435 Swiss francs from 1.3315. In London, the pound sterling fell to end at $1.8675 against $1.88.

The U.S. unit advanced in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively, 5.3480 French francs compared with 5.2865, 32.775 Belgian francs against 32.45 and 1,165.25 lire against 1,154.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar fell against the yen as stabilizing oil prices eased fears of how a war over oil would affect Japan's economy, closing at 150.0 yen vs. Tuesday's 150.60.

Gold eased in Zurich, closing at $383.10 an ounce vs. $383.50 Tuesday, and in London, at $382.25 an ounce vs. $383.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $383.25 an ounce, off from $384.50. The New York Commodity Exchange settled gold at $383.20 an ounce, down from $384.50.

Silver slipped in Zurich, to $4.87 an ounce from $4.95, and in London, to $4.87 an ounce against $4.89.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.865 an ounce, off from $4.89. Comex silver also declined, to $4.843 an ounce from $4.857.

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#90220u2052 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - The Pentagon said gave the following accounting Wednesday of major U.S. warships either in the Middle East or en route. There are about 34 warships in the region; several auxiliary ships and those that remained in the Mediterranean were not named.

(Red Sea - Eisenhower battle group)
USS Dwight D. Eisenhower, Nimitz-class, nuclear-powered aircraft carrier
USS Ticonderoga, guided-missile cruiser (with AEGIS air defense system)
USS Scott, guided-missile destroyer

(Northern Arabian Sea - Independence battle group)
USS Independence, Forrestal-class aircraft carrier
USS Jouett, guided-missile cruiser
USS Goldsborough, guided-missile destroyer

USS Brewton, frigate
USS Reasoner, frigate
USS Flint, ammunition ship
USS Cimarron, oiler

(Joint Task Force-Middle East in Persian Gulf)
USS LaSalle, command ship
USS Antietam, guided-missile cruiser(AEGIS equipped)
USS England, guided-missile cruiser
USS Bradley, guided-missile frigate
USS Taylor, guided-missile frigate
USS Reid, guided-missile frigate
USS Barbey, frigate
USS Vandergrift, frigate

(On way to Mediterranean - Saratoga battle group)
USS Saratoga, Forrestal-class aircraft carrier
USS Wisconsin, battleship
USS Philippine Sea, guided-missile cruiser (AEGIS equipped)
USS Biddle, guided-missile cruiser
USS Sampson, guided-missile destroyer
USS Spruance, destroyer
USS Montgomery, frigate
USS Hart, frigate
USS Detroit, fast combat ship

Oilers, ammunition ship, etc.

Mediterranean Amphibious Group - 2,100 combat Marines
USS Inchon, amphibious assault ship
USS Nashville, amphibious transport ship
USS Whidbey Island, dock landing ship
USS Newport, tank landing ship
USS Fairfax County, tank landing ship

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#90220u2058 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	144,846,900
Advances	1,225
Declines	729
Unchanged	2,329
Total	4,283

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#90220u2097 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 8) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	9	5	49
New lows	120	185	91

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	1,015	129,704,500
Declines	595	48,806,200
Unchanged	402	11,889,300
Total	2,012	190,400,000

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#90220u2101 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 8) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	5
New lows	49

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	313	4,799,600
Declines	283	7,399,700
Unchanged	242	2,820,700
Total	838	15,020,000

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#90220u2110 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	185.54	183.67	185.40	up 1.95
Industrial	231.27	229.14	231.25	up 2.38
Transport	152.90	150.95	152.51	up 2.00
Utility	87.91	87.01	87.88	up 0.89
Finance	131.90	130.62	131.90	up 1.61

Equivalent to a gain of 34 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 190,400,000 shares.

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#90220u2113 08/08/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 9) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

Cincinnati - Activated pitcher Danny Jackson from the disabled list; optioned pitcher Keith Brown to Nashville of American Association (AAA).

College

Hofstra - Named Nadine Lilavois assistant volleyball coach.

Football

Chicago - Signed quarterback Peter Tom Willis to 3-year contract.

Detroit - Named Robert Thomas assistant trainer.

Philadelphia - Signed wide receiver Calvin Williams, a draft pick, to 2-year contract.

Hockey

Buffalo - Named Rochester head coach John Van Boxmeer NHL assistant.

Hartford - Named Dr. John Fulkerson team physician.

NY Rangers - Signed left winger Louie DeBrusk.

San Diego (IHL) - Signed left winger Charlie Simmer as player-assistant coach.

Soccer

San Diego - Signed defender Kevin Crow to 1-year contract.

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#90220u2115 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

RANGOON, Burma (AUG. 8) UPI - Security forces shot and killed four Buddhist monks and students in the central Burmese city of Mandalay Wednesday on the second anniversary of massive pro-democracy demonstrations, diplomats said Wednesday.

The capital Rangoon, however, remained quiet and the leading political party, which is demanding the military turn over power to the newly elected legislature, urged its followers to avoid actions that might lead to bloodshed.

A Rangoon-based diplomat contacted from Bangkok said the shooting took

place after Buddhist monks and dissident students staged an early morning procession in Mandalay, 300 miles north of Rangoon.

Two monks and two students were reported killed and two other people were injured in the shooting which broke out when a security captain was struck on the head by a rock, said the diplomat, who asked not to be identified.

No Burmese government officials could immediately be contacted to comment on the account.

The situation has been tense in Burma between the military and National League for Democracy (NLD), which swept general elections in May but has not yet been allowed to form a government.

All schools in Mandalay, Burma's second-largest city, have been closed and army troops have moved to secure the center of the town, the diplomat said.

He quoted witnesses as saying a large procession of Buddhist monks with begging bowls began moving through the city streets at 6 a.m., apparently commemorating the 1988 democracy demonstrations which were crushed by the army.

The monks were joined by anti-government students, including members of the NLD youth wing, he said.

When a security official tried to arrest a student raising a flag, a scuffle broke out that led to the rock-throwing and the shooting, he said.

In Rangoon, an NLD party spokesman said party headquarters was not observing the anniversary and had sent out a circular to all party branch offices in the country telling them to commemmorate the occasion only if conditions permit.

In a statement issued on the occasion, the NLD pledged to ''vindicate the sacrifices made by the heroes'' of the 1988 demonstrations by carrying on the struggle for democracy.

''But in this continuing struggle, we have resolved not to allow a repetition of that kind of situation which would entail spilling of the people's blood,'' the statement said.

Government offices and schools remained open in the capital as army troops on trucks patrolled the city.

Fewer people than normal were on the streets, possibly because of rumors of earlier violence in Mandalay.

Rangoon radio Tuesday night took the unusual stept of admitting there were

demonstrations, but denied that several demonstrators were killed in the demonstrations.

''The rumors that are quite different from the truth are purposely being spread by those unscrupulous people who want to take advantage of thesituation, to disrupt peace and tranquillity,'' the radio said.

Last week the military government announced it would not give up power to the legislature elected on May 27. It said the only function of the elected representatives was to draft a new constitution acceptable to the military and the people.

The NLD, which swept 80 percent of the seats in the election, has rejected the military announcement.

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#90220u2116 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 471.99, up 1.13 percent. This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90220u2118 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (AUG. 8) UPI - Polaroid Corp., resisting the rising tide of layoffs in Massachusetts, plans to build a plant that could employ up to 450 workers next to its factory in New Bedford, United Press International has learned.

The estimated $13.75 million plant would have about 100 workers when it opens with a single shift, said James Oliveira, director of economic development for the city. But the company, based in Cambridge, Mass., ''absolutely'' intends to go to three shifts eventually, he said.

Polaroid said Wednesday it ''is going to be building a major manufacturing facility in Massachusetts'' but declined to give details until an official announcement scheduled for Thursday.

However, New Bedford zoning officials have already approved the company's request for a 275,000-square-foot addition to make ''coated imaging web'' on a site next to a factory that makes coated negatives for the company's instant film. In its appeal for a zoning variance, the company said it planned to employ about 450 people.

An analyst, B. Alex Henderson, who follows Polaroid for Prudential-Bache Securities, said the new plant may be used to make a digital imaging film

for X-ray photography that the company has promised to introduce by next year.

The film, to be part of the company's forthcoming Helios line of medical printers and films, is based on a new technology that Polaroid has developed, Henderson said.

The new film uses a heat sensitivity process instead of the standard silver halide used in most photography.

Henderson said the new film is ''a very exciting product. We think it can be a $100 million product within one to two years. It should be a major hit for them.''

If he is wrong about the heat-sensitive film, the analyst said, the New Bedford plant may be designed for the company's new Hybrid 4 film to be introduced next year as a replacement for its Spectra instant film.

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#90220u2136 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - Jurors in the drug and perjury trial of Mayor Marion Barry asked Wednesday to see the videotape of the Jan. 18 sting operation on which Barry is seen taking two long puffs from a crack cocaine pipe.

Although jurors, who deliberated for a sixth day Wednesday without reaching a verdict on all counts, already had access to an exhaustive manuscript of the 83-minute FBI surveillance tape, U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson granted them the right to review the actual tape.

The tape shows Barry and Rasheeda Moore - a top government witness who lured Barry to the Vista International Hotel - lounging around the hotel room and talking for more than an hour before Barry smokes from the crack pipe and is arrested by FBI agents and police who stormed the room.

Jurors viewed the tape or portions of it numerous times throughout Barry's trial on 14 cocaine and perjury charges, which is in its 10th week.

The tape forms the basis of Count 14, a misdemeanor charge of cocaine possession.

Prosecutors contend it proves Barry was predisposed to use illegal drugs.

But defense lawyer R. Kenneth Mundy claimed it shows Barry was entrapped, rejecting drugs a number of times before being coerced into using them by Moore, a former model with whom Barry carried on a two-year romantic relationship.

Moore had testified she used cocaine with Barry more than 100 times over a two-year period.

The panel of nine women and three men has deliberated more than 30 hours over six days while apparently reaching a verdict on only one of the 14 counts.

The jury informed Judge Jackson on Tuesday it had reached a verdict on Count 12, one of 10 misdemeanor cocaine possession counts, but did not announce whether it found Barry guilty or innocent of that charge.

In addition to the possession charges, Barry faces three felony counts of perjury and a single misdemeanor count of conspiracy to possess cocaine. He could be sentenced to 26 years in prison and fined $1.85 million if convicted of all counts.

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#90220u2163 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 8) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.83	10.54
Anchor Fund Inv	15.51	16.46
Delaware Mutual	17.34	18.60
Fidelity Fund	17.18	17.18
Investors Mutual	11.23	11.82
Investors Stocks	18.75	19.73
Invest Select	8.27	8.71
IDS Equity Plus	9.34	9.83
Mass Inv Growth	9.02	9.73
Nicholas Fund	3.36	3.36
United Accumulated	6.58	7.19
United Income	17.89	19.55
Vanguard Wellington	16.67	16.67

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#90220u2182 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Wednesday it approved the applications of C&S/Sovran Corp., and Sovran Financial Corp., to act as an agent in the private placement of securities.

A private placement is the sale of an entire issue of securities to a small group of investors.

The activity will be conducted through a subsidiary, Sovran Investment Corp., of Richmond, Va., and also include related advisory services and the buying and selling of all types of securities.

C&S/Sovran, of Norfolk, Va., has consolidated assets of $48.8 billion and is the 12th largest banking organization in the nation, operating 15 subsidiary banks and three trust companies.

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#90220u2232 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - The leaders of Egypt and Jordan are appealing to fellow Arab nations to work out a solution to the crisis caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Officials say several nations are responding to Egyptian President Mubarak's call for an Arab summit to be held within 24 hours to discuss the conflict. The meeting of the 21-nation Arab League will open tomorrow in Cairo.

Thousands of foreign workers are fleeing the Persian Gulf... and the United States is asking Americans to put off travel to the region. Airlines in several Arab states say flights to most European and Asian cities are fully booked for the next month.

Defense Secretary Cheney says Saudi Arabia is keeping American reporters out of the country. The kingdom refuses to allow a pool of U-S reporters to follow American troops dispatched in Saudi territory.

Police and security sources in Lebanon say renewed fighting between rival Shiite groups took place today in the Syrian-patrolled Bekaa Valley. Two people were killed and nine others wounded in the fighting.

Police battled crowds of rioters hurling stones and gasoline bombs in a third day of unrest in South Africa. Five people were killed and dozens injured in the fighting, which left mixed-race townships of the Indian Ocean city of Port Elizabeth littered with burning debris.

Polish officials say residents in northeast Poland attacked and destroyed a waste disposal facility that was slated to burn imported toxic waste. A state official said journalists aroused fear of the facility with unsubstantiated reports.

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#90220u2235 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - The chairman of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, citing the Middle East crisis, asked President Bush Wednesday to reverse his decision limiting offshore oil and gas development.

Sen. Bennett Johnston, D-La., sent a letter to the president asking Bush to ''revisit'' his decision imposing a moratorium ''on oil and gas leasing

and development on large areas of the Outer Continental Shelf.''

Johnston wrote, ''Given the crisis in the Middle East and at a time when nearly 50 percent of the oil we consume is imported, I question the wisdom of banning the development of these substantial domestic resources.''

Johnston's letter echoed recent remarks by oil industry officials and their political allies calling for a new assessment of the need for domestic offshore drilling in light of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

On June 26, Bush sharply limited drilling off the coasts of California, Washington, Oregon, Florida and New England, saying additional studies were needed on the potential environmental effects of drilling.

But Johnston noted that the president, in making his decision, reserved the right to change his mind if national security was endangered by oil supply disruptions.

''I believe the embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil and unfolding events in the Middle East warrant reconsideration of your previous decision in view of national security concerns,'' the senator said.

The White House had no immediate comment on Johnston's letter.

Johnston noted, ''Nearly one-quarter of U.S. estimated oil reserves and well over one-quarter of U.S. estimated gas reserves are located on the Outer Continental Shelf.''

In recent congressional testimony, American Petroleum Institute President Charles DiBona said that ''more of the Outer Continental Shelf should be made available (for drilling), especially areas which already have been leased.''

DiBona and other drilling advocates, including a handful of elected officials, have long argued that instability in the Middle East was a compelling reason to explore offshore drilling at home.

A vice president of the American Petroleum Institute, William O'Keefe, said, ''In California, at Point Arguello off Santa Barbara, Chevron and several other companies are ready to produce 80,000 barrels of oil a day. That's about one-seventh of the 600,000 barrels we've been getting from Iraq and Kuwait.''

Environmentalists maintain offshore oil reserves are not substantial enough to make a significant improvement in the nation's energy security or justify damage to environmentally sensitive coastal areas.

''The people from the oil industry are probably salivating at the prospect

of a Middle East crisis allowing them to pursue drilling in sensitive areas,'' said Michael Paparian, California director of the Sierra Club.

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#90220u2242 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - Scientists say the nation's satellites which track storms and hurricanes should remain adequate despite flawed mirrors that will delay the launch of replacement satellites. Scientists would prefer to have back-ups in space in case the main satellite fails.

Officials say a feared military assault on Mohawk Indians near Oka , Canada, has prompted nearly one-third of the population to flee. The exodus follows the expiration of a Quebec government deadline for the Mohawks to resume negotiations over disputed land.

A Florida man apparently has become the first American convicted of counterfeiting Polish currency. The man was convicted in Orlando yesterday on charges that he made three-Million zlotys... worth about 316 dollars. The Secret Service speculates that he was going to Poland to ''live like a king.''

Seattle police say a young mother took her infant son with her in a cab to hold up a bank. Police say that after stuffing a 22-caliber pistol into her son's diaper bag... the woman had the cabbie wait outside while she pulled the job on Monday. Police caught up with the taxi and arrested the woman.

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#90220u2243 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - Gen. Colin Powell said Wednesday reports Iraq has distributed chemical weapons to its forces are ''ambiguous'' but the threat is being taken seriously and U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia are prepared for gas attacks.

Analysts said Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, who has used chemical weapons on Iran as well as upon his own people, may think twice about using them against Saudi Arabia or U.S. forces because of the massive retaliation that could provoke.

Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, would not say if the U.S. air, sea and land forces going to the region are equipped to retaliate with chemical weapons to an Iraqi attack.

Published reports Wednesday said Iraqi military forces appeared to have been loading gas weapons on aircraft.

''The Iraqi armed forces do have chemical weapons, artillery delivered as well as other means (missiles and bombs),'' Powell told reporters at the Pentagon. ''It's a threat we're concerned with. I treat it as a capability that is there to be used.''

''I don't want to heighten any concern with respect to that because the intelligence is somewhat ambiguous,'' he added. ''It is a capability they have demonstrated in the past they will use. We understand that and are preparing our forces accordingly.''

And at his press conference, President Bush said use of chemical weapons ''would be intolerable and it would be dealt with very. very seriously. So I hope there would be no use of chemical weapons.''

U.S. forces train in gas masks and rubber suits that cover a soldier from head to toe. In addition, many aircraft and tanks can be ''buttoned up,'' sealed to keep outside contaminants from affecting the crews.

But because of the high temperatures - anywhere from 100 degrees to 120 degrees - troops on the ground in the Arabian desert can become quickly dehydrated, and communciation is difficult in the suits and masks. Analysts say that while unable to launch offensive assaults in the protective gear, troops can mount a credible defense in the equipment.

Powell said that in addition to taking protective gear, the U.S. forces President Bush ordered to the region are equipped with medicines to combat Iraq's nerve gases and mustard gas blistering agent.

Nerve agents, actually odorless and colorless liquids, attack and disrupt the nervous system, causing vomiting, loss of bladder and bowel control, headaches, blindness, convulsions, coma and death.

Brad Roberts, a scholar at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, said that if Saddam used chemical weapons, the United States would likely not retaliate in kind, but rather by bombing Iraq's chemical factories and military facilities - and perhaps even by taking aim at Saddam himself.

Seth Carus, a fellow at the Naval War College Foundation and author of a number of papers on chemical weapons, said Iraq has the world's largest active chemical weapons production operation.

He noted that during the Iran-Iraq war, Saddam delegated authority to employ chemical weapons to the divisional commanders, well down in the chain of command, suggesting that they are viewed as routine, not extraordinary, weapons.

While Iran could not retaliate, Carus noted the United States could strike

back both in kind and with massive conventional air attacks. And, he said, the military power of the United States carries with it the implied threat of nuclear weapons and Saddam ''has to think about it.''

The United Nations said Iraq used chemical weapons - primarily mustard gas and perhaps the nerve gas Tabun - during its eight-war war against Iran. Many of the casualties were civilians. The last attack, on an Iranian border village, occurred in 1988 after Iran agreed to a cease-fire.

Iraq ratified the 1925 Geneva Protocol outlawing use of chemical weapons but reserved the right to respond to first use by an enemy. Iraqi officials admitted to using chemical weapons but claimed that Iran did so first. Iranian use was never confirmed.

The CIA said Iraq also used chemical weapons against its own people, attacking the ethnic Kurdish minority.

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#90220u2262 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - Crude oil prices tumbled nearly $4 a barrel on world markets Wednesday after reports that Saudi Arabia would pump an extra 2 million barrels a day to help make up for oil output lost in the embargo of Iraq and Kuwait.

''Prices are moving down on the reports late Tuesday that Saudi Arabia is willing to raise its production,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading for United Energy Inc. in New York. ''If there's a war, the whole market will take off. Meanwhile, it looks like things are easing.''

''Traders feel that the Saudi move eases some of the output tension,'' agreed Randall Rothenberg of Dean Witter Reynolds' International Energy Futures Group in New York.

On the European cash markets, Dubai light, the key Mideast crude produced by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries that is shipped mainly to the Far East, was quoted at $21.80 a barrel, down $3.95 on the day.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent crude dove $3.65 to $24.75 a barrel.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for September delivery fell $2.35 to $25.96 a barrel.

Unleaded gasoline for September delivery nosedived 6.18 cents on the Merc to 76.21 cents a gallon, while September heating oil dropped 5.01 cents to 70.13 cents a gallon.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast cash market, prompt delivery WTI plunged $3.80 to $25.95 a barrel.

Sun Co., of Radnor, Pa., dropped the posted price it will pay for crude at the wellhead by 75 cents to $2, while Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, subsidiary of USX Corp., and Conoco Inc., Du Pont's Houston-based subsidiary, cut their posted price by $1.75 across the board. The changes brought the WTI posted price of all three companies to $24.75 a barrel.

Merc WTI prices had risen $8 a barrel, or 40 percent, in the week following the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait ordered by Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, who has positioned his forces for a possible attack on Saudi Arabia.

Unconfirmed reports of the Saudi increase came late Tuesday after the oil markets had closed.

Venezuela also was reported to be ready to raise its output by 500,000 barrels a day.

Saudi Arabia's embassy in Washington would neither confirm nor deny reports the kingdom had agreed to increase its output. A knowledgeable source in the U.S. oil industry also said his company had not yet been able to confirm the increase.

Saudi Arabia, the OPEC cartel's largest producer, has been pumping about 5.5 million barrels daily and has the capability to produce several million more.

Iraq had been pumping more than 3.1 million barrels a day and Kuwait was producing 1.5-2.0 million barrels a day prior to the invasion, after which the United Nations ordered an embargo of oil shipments from the two nations.

But Nauman Barakat, first vice president of Shearson Lehman Hutton's International Energy Desk in New York, said he had independently confirmed that the Saudis tentatively agreed to raise output by 2 million barrels.

Barakat said his understanding was that Saudi Arabia and other members of the 13-nation OPEC cartel would raise production in exchange for the United States using oil stored in its Strategic Petroleum Reserve to drive down prices.

''I think the deal has been struck that the United States will open the SPR,'' Barakat said.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 8) UPI - Pacific Enterprises, the parent of Southern California Gas Co. and the Thrifty drugstore chain, announced Wednesday a major second-quarter loss of $229 million, stemming from $275 million of charges to its oil and gas and retailing businesses.

The holding company also said that the management of Thrifty Corp., which operates 1,070 drug and sporting goods stores, has been shaken up, with President and Chief Executive Officer Richard Eils resigning. Eils was replaced by Executive Vice President Daniel Siegel, while Leonard Straus continues as chairman.

''Although these charges reduce income now, they should help to position our companies for future earnings growth,'' said James Ukropina, chairman of Pacific Enterprises.

''At the same time, the solid performance of our utility and our continued strong consolidated cash flow readily accomodate our dividend policy,'' he said.

The company earned $50 million, or 78 cents a share, in the year-ago quarter. Second-quarter revenues for Pacific Enterprises were $1.6 billion up from $1.54 billion for the year-ago quarter.

The charges against included a $175 million non-cash writedown by Pacific Enterprises Oil Co. and a $100 million charge by Thrifty Corp. Both segments represent areas in which the parent company has diversified its business, largely through $1.6 billion in acquisitions between 1985 and 1989.

The company said it was forced to write down its oil and gas properties to reflect low energy prices as of June 30. Analyst Joseph Culp of First Manhattan said that those charges were not unexpected, as company executives have been indicating for some time that the company would have to make such a move.

''By writing down properties that are likely to increase in value, it will probably help their earnings in the long term,'' Culp said.

Second-quarter operating income before the writedown was $16 million, off from $20 million for the year-ago quarter. The 1990 quarter included an $11 million aftertax benefit from reduced depletion expense stemming from the writedown.

Ukropina said the unit is making a number of moves to increase efficiency.

The retailing business posted operating income of $2 million for the

quarter prior to the charge, off from $11 million for the year-ago quarter. Sales were up 6 percent to $671 million.

Ukropina said disappointing earnings will persist for the rest of the year.

Second-quarter operating income for utility operations was $58 million, up from $54 million for the year-ago quarter.

The company also posted a first-half loss of $169 million, vs. year-earlier earnings of $115 million, or $1.80 a share, for the year-ago period. Six-month revenues were $3.51 billion, up from $3.4 billion.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Illinois Power Co				
Suspended				
NECO Enterprises Inc				
Stock Split				
Cardinal Distribution Inc - 5-for-4				
Sandwich Chef Inc - 3-for-2				
Distribution				
Burger King Inv Mstrs	Q	.43	9-13	9-10
Initial				
Unitrin Inc	..	.20	9-5	8-21
Special				
Frontier Adjustrs Amer	..	.01	9-10	8-20
Usual				
Arkla Inc	Q	.27	9-14	8-22
Atmos Energy Corp	Q	.29	&+1/8?	-+1/41/2
Chiquita Brands Intl	Q	.10	9-10	8-22
Coke Consolidated	Q	.22	9-10	8-24
Frontier Adjustrs Amer	Q	.01	9-10	8-20
Leggett & Platt Inc	..	.21	9-14	8-24
Nordson Corp	Q	.18	9-28	8-31
Potash Corp Saskatch	Q	.18	11-15	10-25
Property Trust Amer	..	.21	9-7	8-24

RAC Income Fund	..	.10 1/2	8-31	8-10
Sears Roebuck & Co	Q	.50	10-1	8-27
USLIFE Income Fund	Q	.23	9-4	8-24

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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(AUG. 8) UPI - The U.S. decision to send troops to protect Saudi Arabia, the free world's largest oil supplier, underscores how vital Persian Gulf oil is to the economic health of the industrialized nations.

With an international embargo removing 4.5 million barrels of oil produced by Iraq and Kuwait from the world market, only Saudi Arabia can make up much of the shortfall through its additional capacity, experts said.

Saudi Arabia, OPEC's largest producer, currently is pumping 5.1 million barrels a day. The kingdom and its Gulf neighbors - Kuwait, Iraq, Iran, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and Oman - together produce about 30 percent of the free world's oil needs.

''If we don't get the full cooperation from all countries that have spare capacity, there would be a steady decline in (current excess) inventories and in a period of two to four months, supply dislocations would show up ''said Larry Goldstein at Petroleum Industry Research Foundation. ''The longer that is allowed to exist the deeper the impact would be on industrialized countries.''

But he said there now is a higher probablity that Saudi Arabia and other producers will make up the shortfall of oil from Iraq and Kuwait.

If Iraq knocked out Saudi Arabia's oil production, the consequences to the Western economies would be unimaginable, other specialists said.

''Persian Gulf oil has an incredible influence on the world economy and in the worst-case scenario, it would be absolutely horrible,'' said John Redpath at Energy Security Analysis Inc. in Washington.

Persian Gulf producers pumped about 16 million barrels of oil a day in 1989, or 37 percent of the free world's production of 44 millon million barrels a day, according to the American Petroleum Institute in Washington. The communist countries added another 16 million barrels a day in 1989, of which the Soviet Union's output was 11.4 million barrels a day making Russia the world's largest producer.

Saudi Arabia's current production accounts for 11.5 percent of the free world's production, or about 9 percent of non-communist oil demand..

The Middle East has proven reserves of 660 billion barrels, or 72 percent of the free world's reserves. Saudi Arabia alone has proven reserves of 255 billion barrels.

''Those oil supplies form a large part of the energy in the free world,'' said API economist Ed Murphy. ''In the United States 42 percent of our energy comes from petroleum.''

The United States currently is importing about 8.4 million barrels of oil a day to supplement its own production of about 7 million barrels a day. The United States is the world's second-largest producer after the Soviet Union.

Saudi Arabia, which supplies 1.3 million barrels a day, is the principal source of U.S. imports. Fellow OPEC member Venezuela supplies 980,000 barrels a day, OPEC member Nigeria 923,000 barrels, independent Canada 900,000 barrels and non-OPEC Mexico 698,000 barrels a day.

Europe consumes 12.6 million barrels a day, of which 4.7 million barrels come from its own sources. The Pacific Rim region, where Japan is the principal oil consumer, uses 5.8 million barrels a day, most of it imported.

''If we lost the Saudi production, along with that of Iraq and Kuwait, that would be larger than any energy crisis we have ever faced,'' Murphy said.

Chairman George Mitchell of Mitchell Energy & Development Corp. near Houston said it would be virtually imposible to make up some 40 percent of the free world's production that would result if the Saudi output also were lost.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - First Dog Millie, despite initial hopes for a quick recovery, still is suffering from acute lead exposure caused by a solvent used to strip paint from the White House, a spokesman said Wednesday.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater, reporting new word on the condition of the 4 1/2-year-old English springer spaniel, said first lady Barbara Bush is ''very concerned'' about the dog.

''She's still sick,'' Fitzwater said. ''Her recovery is not going well.''

President Bush first disclosed the dog's illness last week, calling it a

''terrible'' situation related to lead poisoning.

Fitzwater then reported that blood tests had showed Millie was suffering from acute lead exposure, which veterinarians felt she picked up from walking through the paint thinner and then licking it from her paws.

Millie, a lively dog whose continued lethargy triggered alarms in the first family, has been with the first lady at the Bush's summer compound in Kennebunkport, Maine.

Mrs. Bush was scheduled to return to Washington Thursday before heading back on Friday with the president.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - The Securities and Exchange Commission alleged Wednesday that a pair of investors violated federal securities laws in their bid to buy the DeLaurentis Entertainment Group, a Beverly Hills, Calif., film maker that declared bankruptcy in 1988.

Anthony Serivola of Jacksonville, Fla., and Paul Landerman, of Rigby, Idaho, have been charged with violating the anti-fraud provisions of securities laws in a complaint filed by the SEC August 7 in a federal court in Washington state.

The SEC has alleged that the two men, who served as executives at the time for a Bellevue, Wash., company called Excoa Oil and Gas Inc., never had the funds needed to back their offer to buy DEG in 1988.

In addition, the SEC said in a statement that the two men ordered about 135,000 shares of DEG stock through a pair of brokerages, Morgan Stanley and Dain Bosworth Inc. ''without having the ability and intent to pay for the stock.''

The SEC said the two men had hoped that the stock's price would rise above the order price so they could sell it, pay the balance due, and pocket the difference, a practice known as free riding.

The primary charge, however, relates to the defendants' offer to buy the entire company.

Serivola, who also goes by the name Anthony Steele, allegedly sent a letter to DeLaurentis chief executive officer Stephen Greenwald in June 1988 offering to buy 10 million DEG shares for $1 a share.

Simultaneously, Serivola and Landerman issued a June 10 press release stating that they planned to buy a controling interest in DEG.

DEG, which was having financial difficulties at the time, agreed to consider the offer.

But Robert Goldsmith, a general counsel for DEG at the time, said ''we tried to do a due diligence to find out what they were all about, and we couldn't satisfy ourselves of their bona fides.''

DEG broke off contact after only two weeks, and issued a press release stating that it had determined the Excoa offer was not in the best interest of shareholders.

Goldsmith said that Serivola then sent a letter to DEG stating he would continue attempts to purchase a controling interest in the company.

Noting that filmmaker Dino DeLaurentis held 61 percent of DEG stock at that point, Goldsmith said Serivola and Landerman could have ''accumulate(d) stock until (they) were blue in the face and never taken control of the company.''

In any event, DEG did not last much longer. The company filed a voluntary petition for bankruptcy in August, 1988, and was purchased last May by Carolco Pictures Inc., of Los Angeles, for about $20 million in cash and $6 million in Carolco stock.

While in business, DEG made about 20 motion pictures, including ''King Kong Lives'' - a sequel to the DeLaurentis remake of King Kong - ''Date with an Angel,'' ''Hiding Out,'' and ''Million Dollar Mystery''.

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#90220u2336 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 8) UPI - A man filed a $1 million federal suit Wednesday against the company that manufacturers the antidepressant drug Prozac, charging the drug led him to attempt suicide.

Ralph Langer, of Lake County, described as in his early 50s, filed suit in U.S. District Court in Chicago against Eli Lilly and Co. and its subsidiary, Dista Products.

The suit was the second filed in as many days against the drug, which both plaintiffs charged made them suicidal.

Suits seeking $300 million in damages also have been filed in New York and Kentucky by people claiming they were either driven to suicide attempts by the drug, or were related to victims slain by a man who had taken the drug.

''What we're saying is that what happened is that after being changed to a

regimen of Prozac he (Langer) began exhibiting suicidal tendencies,'' said Aron D. Robinson, Langer's attorney. ''After he was removed from the drug he returned to a peaceable state of mind.

''We are alleging Prozac led to suicidal tendencies.''

Robinson said Langer, who is seeking compensatory and punitive damages, has been under treatment for depression since 1985. He began taking Prozac in August or September 1988 and remained on the drug until he attempted suicide in November 1988.

Robinson said prior to the suicide attempt, Langer never had been hospitalized for depression.

The suit charges Lilly failed to provide accurate warnings to consumers and doctors over Prozac's ability to increase or create aggression and hostility toward oneself and others.

Tuesday an Indianapolis woman sued Lilly for what she said was the company's carelessness and negligence in selling the drug.

''They knew or should have known that Prozac was a substance known to produce ill effects upon certain users,'' said the claim by Janet Sims, who is involved in a national campaign to counsel Prozac users.

Sims, who seeks unspecified damages in her lawsuit, filed suit in Marion Superior Court.

Lilly spokesman Edward West said the company does not comment on pending litigation. He said, however, that Lilly had tested Prozac on 12,000 people since the mid-1970s and since it came on the market nearly three years ago the drug has been prescribed to more than 2 million people.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - Parents of one of three defendants on trial for the rape and beating of a jogger in New York's Central Park stormed out of the courtroom today. The parents of Antron McCray walked out with 10 supporters during a prosecutor's summation. They sang spiritual songs outside court. The angry justice banned the group from returning. The furor arose as a prosecutor asked the jury to imagine the ''frenzy'' of the teens during last year's attack.

Three teen-agers wounded in Brooklyn, New York, last night are listed in stable condition. They were shot when gunfire abruptly ended a neighborhood celebration of a ''National Night Out'' against crime. Police later arrested a 16-year-old youth who allegedly fired a shotgun into the

crowd.

Baseball great Pete Rose arrived at a federal prison in Marion, Illinois, today to begin a five-month sentence for tax evasion. Warden John Clark said Rose would be assigned an eight-hour-a-day job in the prison work camp. The warden emphasized every effort will be made to protect Rose's privacy.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) UPI - The United States and Mexico agreed Wednesday to move ahead on a free trade agreement that would open the border to more trade and investment and Mexico also said it would sell more oil north of the border.

But U.S. Special Trade Representative Carla Hills, who is lead negotiator for the United States, said that the agreement, when it is concluded, ''would not include matters that are in the category of immigration.''

In public statements, the Mexican government has said it would insist that the free trade agreement, or FTA, include free migration.

The two countries, in an unusual reference to the Middle East, both condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and urged an immediate withdrawal of Iraqi troops.

The head of the Mexican delegation, Foreign Secretary Fernando Solana Morales, said Mexico would agree ''for a couple of months'' to increase its oil exports to the United States by about 100,000 barrels per day, in response to the U.S. request to make up for oil supplies that will be lost by economic sanctions against Iraq.

Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady expressed appreciation for the offer.

Both sides, in a news conference at the end of a one-day meeting of their Binational Commission, glossed over differences arising from the alleged seizure by U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration officers of a Mexican doctor accused of involvement in the torture killing of a DEA agent.

Attorney General Dick Thornburgh said the level of cooperation between the two countries in narcotics matters is the highest in history.

President Bush told the commission he will formally notify Congress in September the United States and Mexico intend to negotiate a free trade agreement, his spokesman said.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater, announcing the step that

will officially set the process in motion, said Bush made the pledge contingent on agreement from Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari, who has been actively seeking such a pact in his drive to restructure the Mexican economy.

The agreement in principle to move ahead on the FTA appeared to remove any obstacles to beginning the negotiations. Similar negotiations with Canada lasted for five years and the two-year-old U.S.-Canadian trade agreement remains a controversial political issue in Canada.

A formal free-trade agreement between Mexico and the United States, which had more than $52 billion in two-way trade last year, would cover tariffs and other import barriers, access to investment, trade in goods and services, and the protection of copyrights, patents and trademarks.

The United States and Mexico have taken a series of trade expansion steps since 1986, when Mexico embarked on the road to economic reform and joined the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, the world trade organization.

Mexico, concerned with the issue of sovereignty, has rejected the idea of a North American common market, but has made clear its enthusiasm for a bilateral free trade agreement with the United States.

Salinas and Bush issued a joint statement in June agreeing to begin negotiations on such an agreement after the conclusion in December of the so-called Uruguay Round of trade liberalization talks by members of GATT.

Sensitive areas that the United States would include in discussions are steel, agriculture and textiles, a U.S. official said.

Mexico's average import tariff for U.S. imports was unilaterally reduced last year to around 10 percent, although under GATT accords, Mexico is bound to maximum 50 percent tariff and can return to that level at any time.

Mexico, the United States' third largest trading partner, does not enjoy the lowest tariffs in the United States and its products are subject to about a 6 percent tariff.

The two sides also exchanged diplomatic notes, agreeing to cooperate on a sewage treatment facility in Tijuana, Mexico. Untreated sewage from Tijuana, with a population over 1 million, now flows into the Pacific Ocean and the Tijuana River, contaminating beaches in both countries.

The agreement establishes a bilateral commitment for the construction of an international sewage treatment plant to treat and dispose of 25 million gallons per day of sewage from Tijuana.

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 8) UPI - Anheuser Busch Inc. said Wednesday it recorded the best July sales performance in the company's 138-year history, registering an 8 percent increase in sales of Budweiser and growth in sales of Bud Light and Bud Dry.

The brewer said companywide sales rose 15.6 percent from July 1989.

''Our strategy for the Budweiser brand is working,'' said President Patrick T. Stokes. ''The trends for the brand are positive and, with the continuing growth of Bud Light and Bud Dry Draft, we have a competitive triple threat going into the 1990s.''

Anheuser Busch said Bud Light sales increased 14.9 percent in July compared with last year. Bud Dry Draft, introduced nationally in April, sold more than 1.5 million barrels through July.

''The strong performance of Budweiser in July is important,'' Stokes said, ''because it brings the brand to a year-to-date position which is equal to its 1989 performance. We've held Budweiser sales steady despite a strong increase from Bud Light and the successful introduction of Bud Dry.''

The company said it had met competitors' discounted prices, which ''returned Budweiser to a level playing field, where it clearly can compete very effectively.''

The three Budweiser brands represent approximately one-third of all beer sales in the United States, Anheuser Busch said.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - Defense officials say the first U-S combat planes have landed in Saudi Arabia. Sources say 48 F-15 jet fighters from Langley, Virginia, .. and about 23-hundred paratroopers from Fort Bragg, North Carolina... are in the first wave of U-S forces. Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Colin Powell says Iraq's estimated army of one-Million is NOT all ready to storm across any border. He voiced confidence that the U-S force can help defend Saudi Arabia.

The secretary-general of the United Nations today called for ''utmost restraint'' by all sides involved in the Persian Gulf confrontation. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar also urged Iraq to promptly withdraw from Kuwait. Perez de Cuellar said the U-S deployment of troops is ''parallel'' to a U-N embargo against Iraq... but his spokeswoman said the U-N leader neither agrees NOR disagrees with the move.

Iraq declared that it is taking possession of Kuwait today despite the arrival of U-S troops and combat jets to neighboring Saudi Arabia. In Cairo... Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak denied that his troops are part of a force to defend oil-rich Kuwait. He called for an emergency Arab League summit within 24 hours. Mubarak was joined by Jordan's King Hussein ... who later pledged to come up with ''an Arab resolution.''

President Bush has asked oil companies to- in his words- ''show restraint'' in altering their prices at the gas pump to reflect the UNcertainty in the Middle East. But Bush did NOT suggest any concrete steps to hold down gas prices, which have risen more than 16 cents a gallon in the first week of this month. ARCO responded by saying it would freeze prices for one week, but the consumer group Citizen Action called the Bush statement ''a weak response to the widespread price-gouging.''

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#90220u2501 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - Iraq declared the annexation of Kuwait even as U.S. troops combat planes and a formidable naval force began arriving in the Persian Gulf region to protect Saudi Arabia against what President Bush called Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's ''enormous war machine.'' Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak denied his troops were part of an multinational effort to defend the oil-rich kingdom, and instead called an emergency Arab League summit within 24 hours to press a regional solution to the escalating Persian Gulf crisis.

Vowing that ''America will stand by her friends,'' President Bush announced an unprecedented buildup of U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia to deter aggression by Iraq and pressure its withdrawal from Kuwait.

In what may prove to be a risky escalation of tensions, Bush said U.S. troops, combat aircraft and warships will remain committed to Saudi Arabia as long and at whatever cost required to see Iraq end its occupation of Kuwait.

At the same time, he welcomed an outpouring of support for the multinational force the United States has begun to form in Saudi Arabia and said Iraq already has begun feeling symptoms of economic strangulation from U.N.-ordered sanctions.

Thirty-nine Americans held by Iraq since the invasion of Kuwait remained confined to a Baghdad hotel, permitted to use the swimming pool, but prevented by armed guards from leaving, U.S. officials said.

President Hosni Mubarak called for an emergency Arab summit within 24 hours and opened the door to a possible joint Arab peace force to resolve

the Iraq-Kuwait conflict. He urged Hussein to withdraw his forces from Kuwait and restore legitimacy to the deposed regime of Emir Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah. He also denied that he had committed troops to the defense of Saudi Arabia.

Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi contacted Arab leaders to discuss the ''danger'' posed by U.S. troops deployed in Arab lands and ''the danger this poses for Arab freedom and dignity.'' the Libyan news agency said Wednesday.

JANA, monitored by the British Broadcasting Corp., said Gadhafi talked to the leaders of Algeria, Yemen, Tunisia, Morocco, Jordan, Egypt and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Giant cargo jets filled with troops of the Army's crack 82nd Airborne Division roared into the skies under presidential orders to keep Iraq from invading Saudi Arabia.

About 15,000 Marine and Navy personnel left East Coast ports Tuesday bound for the Mediterranean and about 2,000 from Fort Bragg's elite 82nd Airborne were believed ordered to Saudi Arabia. Other units were being sent also, possibly the 101st Airborne Division in Fort Campbell, Ky.

British naval and air forces will join the multinational effort confronting Iraq, Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said. He said the government will contribute to the collective defense of Saudi Arabia and other threatened states and in support of the United Nations embargo.

Stock prices closed sharply and broadly higher in active trading, breaking a six-day string of losses, as concerns about an imminent escalation of the conflict in the Mideast began to fade. The Dow Jones industrial average, which fell 5.70 Tuesday, gained 24.26 to 2734.90, its first gain since July 30. It marked the first day of gains in both the Dow and the broad market since July 25.

Share prices rebounded Wednesday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange with investors snapping up bargain-priced issues after five straight losing sessions triggered by Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. In New York Tuesday, the Dow Jones industrial average erased early gains and dipped 5.70 points in heavy selling, unleashed by growing nervousness over the crisis in the oil-rich Persian Gulf.

Congress applauded President Bush for being tough on Iraq, but some Democrats said he was too lenient with U.S. oil companies and Senate Republican leader Robert Dole warned of a windfall profits tax unless gas prices come down.

Crude oil prices tumbled nearly $4 a barrel on world markets after reports

that Saudi Arabia would pump an extra 2 million barrels a day to help make up for oil output lost in the embargo of Iraq and Kuwait.

President Bush, responding to public outrage over soaring gasoline prices urged oil companies to ''show restraint'' and not exploit uncertainties over Mideast oil supplies by profiteering at the pump. At the same time, Bush called for greater conservation efforts on the part of American consumers.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - President Bush warned congressional Democrats today that he was about to step into the budget debate. Bush said he feels ''liberated'' from his promise NOT to comment on the talks and that he might soon give Democrats a tongue-lashing. Bush told White House reporters... ''I want to tell you exactly how strongly I feel about it, but I don't want to do it here today.''

The Consumer Product Safety Commission announced today in the nation's capital that Crosman Products is recalling 53-thousand air rifles. The Model 31-hundred rifles are used for target practice, but they may have a defective trigger mechanism. The problem makes it difficult to cock the rifles, but could also result in the gun going off UNexpectedly. NO injuries have yet been connected to the problem.

Hurricane Diana has dissipated after leaving two people dead on Mexico's east coast. The hurricane hit the shore yesterday afternoon, but was downgraded to a tropical storm last night, and by this morning a U-S National Weather Service official said ''it is all over.'' The hurricane's 110-mile-an-hour winds caused two deaths yesterday, but by this morning the winds had diminished to 30 miles an hour.

Government scientists reported today that they have found the chemical lock that marijuana apparently opens in the brain to produce its effects. The finding is a major step in the long quest to understand how the drug works. The discovery should aid research to develop drugs to treat diseases by mimicking marijuana's medicinal benefits... withOUT producing unwanted narcotic symptoms.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 8) UPI - MGM-UA Television Production Group sued CBS Wednesday in an attempt to block the network from broadcasting a movie starring Kenneth Olin during the premiere week of an ABC series Olin stars in - ''thirtysomething.''

The Superior Court lawsuit said CBS knew when it hired Olin to star in ''The Charles Stuart Murders'' that Olin's contract with MGM-UA carries an exclusivity restriction.

The restriction bars Olin from making any guest appearances in programs to be broadcast during the season's premiere week of ''thirtysomething'' - in which Olin plays Michael - or opposite any first run broadcast of an episode of the series, the lawsuit said.

CBS intends to broadcast ''The Charles Stuart Murders'' Sept. 18 in a time slot opposite the fall 1990 season premiere episode of ''thirtysomething '' the lawsuit said.

In addition, CBS has refused to comply with MGM-UA' demands that it reschedule its broadcast of the movie, the suit said.

The lawsuit seeks injunctions barring CBS from broadcasting the movie at a time that would violate Olin's alleged exclusivity agreement.

A lawyer for CBS said the network never comments on legal matters.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 8) UPI - UAL Corp.'s board of directors Wednesday gave United Airlines employees two more months to put together financing for their $4.4 billion, $201-a-share buyout of parent UAL, which has fallen on hard times in recent weeks.

The action extending the deadline to Oct. 9 came just a day before the original deadline - set four months ago when the board and the union reached agreement on the buyout proposal.

In a statement, directors said they agreed to extend the deadline because economic uncertainties arising from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait hampered efforts of the employee group - United Employee Acquisition Corp. - to arrange financing.

But the statement also noted, ''In the light of events in the Middle East, the state of the finaicial markets and the softening economy, there can be no assurance that a transaction can be completed.''

The board instructed its financial advisers to conduct further discussions with the employee group to explore changes in the structure of the agreement that might be necessary to win financing.

Spokesmen for UAL and the employee group refused to say what kind of changes might be involved. The board statement, however, stressed that

only structural changes ''that would provide values to UAL's shareholders commensurate with those contemplated in the Merger Agreement'' would be weighed.

Analysts and banking sources, however, said the pricetag on the deal is simply too high - far too high - to win the support of bankers.

As presently structured, the deal would give UAL stockholders $155 a share in cash plus $35 a share in senior subordinated notes bearing 16 percent interest and a proportional stake in a new security of Covia Corp., the UAL subsidiary that holds a 50 percent stake in the Apollo computer reservations system.

United's financial advisers have calculated the value of the Covia interest to be worth about $11 a share - bringing the total to $201 a share, or just under $4.4 billion.

But Kurt Karmin, chairman of the Chicago-based investment firm Rodman & Renshaw, said the price is too high, even without problems in the Persian Gulf.

''That $200 (a share) price is ridiculous. United Airlines isn't worth $200, and certainly not in today's environment.'' he said.

''They're probably going to have to come way down in price - probably to $125 to $150 - to make it work,'' Karmin said.

United's three employee unions - the Airline Pilots Association, the Association of Flight Attendants and the International Association of Machinists - and non-union workers all agreed to major contract concessions in exchange for ownership stakes in the airline.

Earlier this summer, the UAL board - at the request of United Employee Acquisition Corp. Chairman Gerald Greenwald - delayed granting contracts on a major purchase of widebody aircraft.

Greenwald planned to use that order - expected to be worth $15 billion - as leverage to get suppliers to invest in convertible bonds that would be subordinate to bank financing.

A source in the employee group said Greenwald had been hoping to raise as much as $1 billion by selling the subordinated bonds to UAL suppliers - specifically aircraft and engine builders and aircraft leasing companies that stood to profit from the widebody order.

The remainder of the financing was to come from banks.

The employee group last month reached tentative agreements with Bankers

Trust Co., Manufacturers Hanover Corp., Chase Manhattan Corp., Chemical Bank and Citicorp to take the lead in finacing the deal. The banks were to pitch in $500,000 each, and recruit other banks to provide the remainder of the money.

But Citicorp, Chemical Bank and Chase Manhattan backed out in the past two weeks. Citicorp and Chase Manhattan were the lead banks in the attempt to syndicate financing for a $6.75 million, $300-a-share employee-led buyout of UAL that collapsed for lack of financing last October.

Security Pacific Corp. recently joined Bankers Trust and Manufacturers Hanover in backing the new buyout bid and trying to syndicate the remainder of the financing. But it has proved a tough task.

''They've (the lead banks) been pitching this to a lot of people, and might even have had a little interest until last week,'' a Chicago banking source said. ''Now nobody even wants to talk about it.''

He said the buyout proposal was ''only marginally viable a week ago, even to an optimist.''

''Now with the goings on in the Persian Gulf with Iran and Kuwait, financing something like this is unthinkable,'' he said.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - Diplomats say six Arab nations want the U-N Security Council to declare Iraq's annexation of Kuwait ''null and void.'' The six nations... Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates and Oman... are members of the Gulf Co-operation Council. They requested an emergency meeting of the security council, which will meet tonight to react to the annexation.

U-S troops rolled out of Fort Bragg, North Carolina, today... bound for Saudi Arabia. More than two-thousand paratroopers from the 82nd Airborne have been pressed into action. Two World Airways D-C-10's took off for the 14-hour journey. Also departing were three mammoth CA cargo planes... capable of carrying tanks and helicopters. Military officials say plenty of reservists are volunteering, and the sale of dog tags is way up.

At his White House news conference today, President Bush said he was NOT ''let down'' by intelligence reports before Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Bush... a former C-I-A director himself... was responding to criticism that intelligence reports did NOT give enough warning. The C-I-A was aware more than two weeks ago that Iraq was massing troops on its border with Kuwait... but operatives say they could NOT determine what Iraq's intentions were.

NASA officials are readying to move the crippled shuttle Atlantis from the launch pad to its hangar for fuel-line repairs. Rain fell today at Cape Canaveral, delaying the move. Officials say Atlantis will be moved as soon as weather permits. The newly repaired shuttle Columbia is to be rolled out to the launch pad tomorrow in preparation for blast-off about September 1st.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - East Germany appears to have settled on a compromise on whether to hold elections before or after re-unification takes place. East German lawmakers voted today to hold elections with West Germany on October 14th, and to make that also the formal date for the merger of the two countries. The move is interpreted as a victory for West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

The jurors in the trial of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry asked to see the tape of Barry's arrest in a January F-B-I sting once again today as their deliberations continued for a sixth day. Yesterday, the jury announced it had reached a verdict on only one of the 14 drug and perjury charges against the mayor of the nation's capital.

A professor at the University of Massachusetts in Boston says one-third of Americans are UNable to pay for their needs after paying for housing. In a report issued today by the Economic Policy Institute in Washington... Michael Stone blamed the problem on lagging incomes, escalating housing costs and tight credit. He suggested more NON-profit housing... public housing grants... and credit reform.

A published report says 81-year-old film producer Albert Broccoli is giving up the rights to Ian Fleming's superspy, James Bond. The 17 movies involving Double-Oh-Seven have grossed more than one-BILLION dollars in revenues... but the last Bond movie- ''License to Kill''- grossed only 16-Million after costing 30-Million to make.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - Iraq remained defiant today, despite mounting military, economic and political pressure against it. Iraq announced that it had formally annexed Kuwait. The U-N Security Council was to meet tonight to discuss the latest actions by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Baghdad later claimed Israel was planning to attack. It says Israel has painted U-S military insignias on its aircraft and issued American identity cards to its pilots under plans to carry out- what it called-

''aggressive missions.''

In a last-ditch bid to find a regional solution to the crisis, Egypt's President Mubarak called for an emergency meeting of the Arab League tomorrow in Cairo. Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi landed in Cairo tonight as the first arrival for the meeting. It's NOT known if Saddam will attend.

U-S officials flew to Paris today to confer with oil-consuming allies on the possible use of petroleum reserves to offset the economic effects of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. The emergency meeting of the International Energy Agency, which includes most of the world's oil-consuming industrialized nations, is set for tomorrow.

In Washington, President Bush urged oil companies NOT to view the crisis as a way to increase profits. At the same time, he urged conservation on the part of American consumers. Atlantic Richfield announced a one-week freeze on its wholesale prices... beginning today.

The United States and Mexico agreed today to move ahead on a free trade agreement that will open the border to more trade and investment. Mexico also says it will sell more oil to the United States to make up for oil supplies that will be lost by economic sanctions against Iraq.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - In Chicago today, the American Bar Association House of Delegates rescinded its pro-choice abortion stance and adopted a neutral position. The vote followed hints from the Bush administration that the A-B-A's influence in Washington would dwindle unless it reversed its pro-choice stance.

The British Embassy in Monrovia, Liberia, says rebel leader Prince Johnson has freed his Western hostages... which included at least eight foreigners. Among them- an American identified as a mining contractor from California.

Military sources in the Indian Ocean nation of Sri Lanka say Tamil rebels killed at least 59 civilians in the country's eastern section today. It's the fourth day in less than a week that the rebels have massacred large numbers of civilians.

A Salvadoran armed forces spokesman says four rebels died and two soldiers were wounded in a series of clashes in eastern El Salvador. The fighting comes despite recent peace talks aimed at ending the decade-long civil war.

Residents of Mexico's Gulf Coast are cleaning up after Hurricane Diana, which roared ashore yesterday- killing two people and leaving thousands

more homeless before turning into a tropical storm. Diana was downgraded further early today before dissipating over northwestern Mexico.

All is NOT well with first dog Mille. Despite hopes for a quick recovery, a White House spokesman says the four-year-old English springer spaniel is still suffering from acute lead exposure. Veterinarians believe Millie got sick after walking through paint thinner and then licking it from her paws.

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#90220u2949 08/08/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 8) UPI - 10 Arab nations today said they will attend tomorrow's emergency Arab summit to discuss Iraq's annexation of Kuwait. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak called for the summit and suggested a joint Arab peace force. Jordan, Syria, Libya and Saudi Arabia intend to participate in the meeting in Cairo. But it's NOT clear whether Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will attend.

The Energy Department has come up with tips for Americans to honor a presidential request to save energy. President Bush asked Americans today to conserve energy because of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. A top assistant at the Energy Department suggests that one of the simplest ways to save gasoline is to drive more smoothly. That means avoiding jackrabbit starts... keeping tires properly inflated... and car-pooling.

The United States and Mexico today began the formal process of putting together a free-trade agreement like the one on U-S-Canadian trade. That deal took five years to negotiate, and the U-S-Mexican agreement could take just as long to complete. U-S officials re-asserted today that negotiations will NOT touch on immigration. Free immigration is one of the foremost demands of the Mexican government.

Idaho is suffering its worst timber fire of the year- just one of more than 170 wildfires that have charred more than 72-thousand acres in four Western states. Many of the fires were sparked by lightning. More than 400 such strikes were recorded last night in the Klamath Falls area of Oregon alone. And more thunderstorms are predicted tonight.

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(AUG. 8) UPI - A retired Federal Aviation Administration safety consultant testified for the defense today in the Minneapolis trial of three former Northwest Airlines pilots accused of flying under the influence of alcohol. Robert Collette says in reviewing all the tapes and transcipts from the flight last March, he found NO evidence of the pilots being impaired in their operation of the plane.

A study by the University of Washington finds that common shore-cleaning methods used after oil spills can actually increase environmental damage. The study released in Seattle today says oil spills since the mid-1970's reveal that crude oil does NOT cause the severe damage often suggested in the media. The report says cleanup crews with rakes and hoses can cause more damage by trampling delicate plants and animals.

Controversy has followed the Robert Mapplethorpe photo exhibit to Boston, where it opened at the Institute of Contemporary Art last week. Councilor Albert ''Dapper'' O'Neil asked the city council today to order the removal of seven pictures he found obscene. O'Neil says- ''I don't want to close the show. I just want those seven photographs taken down.'' The council tabled the motion.

A heart-shaped tombstone has been returned to the Auburn, Washington, grave of a three-year-old Japanese girl- 79 years after her death and 45 years after the grave was vandalized during the final months of World War Two. The graves of several Japanese immigrants were vandalized in 1945, but the heart-shaped tombstone of Yu Natsuhara was the only one taken. It was unearthed in June at the site for a new high school and was returned to the Natsuhara family, who oversaw its replacement this week.

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WILMINGTON, DE (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - On July 31, 1990, TA Instruments Inc., a newly formed company, completed the previously announced acquisition of the thermal analysis business of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., it was announced Thursday by David Chalmers, chairman and chief executive officer of TA Instruments.

The primary shareholders of TA Instruments are its management and employees and Chemical Venture Partners, an affiliate of Chemical Banking Corp. The purchase price was undisclosed.

TA Instruments is the worldwide leader in the design, manufacture and sale of thermal analysis instruments. Thermal analysis is an analytical technique used to measure the composition and reactive properties of materials as a function of temperature.

The primary materials are plastics and composites. These analytical instruments are used in academic and industrial research and development, as well as in quality control and assurance applications.

Chemical Venture Partners is a New York-based investment group managing more than $450 million of capital. The firm specializes in management buyouts and recapitalizations, as well as growth equity and venture capital transactions. Since its inception in 1984, Chemical Venture

Partners has closed more than 50 transactions. The headquarters of TA Instruments will remain in the Wilmington area, according to Chalmers.

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BARRIE, Ontario (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - InterTAN Inc. (NYSE:ITN) announced Thursday that Robert E. Keto, the company's president and chief operating officer would assume the additional duties of chief executive officer of the company effective immediately.

John V. Roach, who recently resigned as chief executive officer of the company, will continue to serve on the company's board of directors as its chairman.

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INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Lilly Industrial Coatings Inc.'s (NASDAQ:LICIA) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer J. Robert Pickering stated Thursday that he is estimating the company's third quarter results to be below previous expectations and that the company's 1990 year-to-date results following the third quarter will be essentially flat with the results following the third quarter in 1989.

He noted the downturn in general economic conditions, which has occurred during the company's third fiscal quarter, as the reason for this change.

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Wasatch Education Systems Corp. (NASDAQ:WESC) announced Thursday the appointment of two vice presidents and a corporate controller who will be assuming immediate responsibilities in new positions at the growing company.

Steven C. Chiaramonte, who joined the company in July of this year, has been appointed to the new position of vice president, treasurer and chief financial officer. Dr. Shari Robinson, corporate training director for the company since 1987, has been promoted to vice president for Educational Consulting Services.

Chiaramonte, who for several years has operated a private consulting practice, had been assisting the company since February of this year. Previously, Chiaramonte held an executive post similar to his new role at Wasatch with an industry competitor of the company. A native of the San Francisco Bay area, he held various executive positions with Atari Inc. before relocating to Salt Lake City in 1985. During his tenure at Atari, Chiaramonte witnessed from its genesis, a decade of growth, giving rise to a $2 billion international company.

Following the appointment of Chiaramonte, Kim Kimura joined the company as controller, replacing Keith Bradford. Kimura has a substantial background as corporate controller which she will apply as she undertakes to manage the company's day-to-day financial affairs under the direction of Chiaramonte.

Robinson has been an integral component in attaining the success Wasatch has achieved in recent months. She has, since 1987, led the industry's most dynamic and effective team of field-based educational consultants - all of whom are experienced teachers who assist the customer in training and program implementation for the company's Integrated Learning Systems product.

A former classroom teacher and researcher at the Harvard Graduate School of Education, Robinson developed educational courseware for the Bank Street College of Education, New York, and for an industry competitor of the company, before joining Wasatch in 1987.

Wasatch Education Systems Corp., of Salt Lake City, develops and markets fully integrated computer-aided learning systems for the elementary and secondary markets and for adult students enrolled in basic education programs. Wasatch Education Systems Corp.'s stock is traded over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol WESC.

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JACKSON, Miss. (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - LDDS Communications Inc. (NASDAQ:LDDSA) Thursday reported results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, sales increased 45 percent to $37,352,000 compared with $25,812,000 in the second quarter of 1989. Net income rose 91 percent to $2,055,000 from $1,075,000 in the year-earlier period. Earnings amounted to 25 cents per share, up 47 percent from 17 cents per share in the same quarter last year.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, sales increased 51 percent to $71,107,000 compared with $47,133,000 in the first half of 1989. Net income rose 155 percent to $3,618,000, or 44 cents per share, compared with $1,421,000, or 23 cents per share, a year ago.

LDDS Communications Inc. is a provider of long distance telephone services in Mississippi, Tennessee, Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Texas, Alabama, Florida and Georgia. Its shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol LDDSA.

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HAYWARD, CA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Carolyn Bean Publishing Ltd. announced Thursday that it now meets the shareholder's equity requirements for continued inclusion in the NASDAQ system, and as a result, the fifth character ''C'' will be deleted from its trading symbol.

On Aug. 6 the shareholders approved a 1-for-16 reverse stock split, and pending the issuance of new certificates, the trading symbol will be CBENV.

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Bruce Wilson, 415/732-9320.

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AMERICAN FORK, UTAH (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - TEL Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ:TELS) Thursday reported on financial results for the second quarter of 1990.

The company reported a net income of $15,230 for the quarter ending June 30, 1990 on net sales of $648,554. The company reported that the sales for the quarter were less than projected, despite encouraging results in certain sectors of its business. Management indicated that most of the lag in sales came from two factors: a restructuring of the sales force mid-quarter in hopes of increased sales in the future and marketing expenses related to its voice products.

The decrease in net income compared to the same quarter of 1989 was mainly due to increased selling expenses in the voice processing segment and lower gross margins on these products.

The company focused, however, on indicators that it considers more fundamental to the company's long term health, such as the number of new dealers signed and an increase in the average sales per dealer. The company also indicated that at mid quarter certain cost cutting measures were taken which will be reflected in the third and fourth quarters.

Despite flat sales for the second quarter, net sales for the first half of 1990 of $1,308,036 still reflected an increase of 13 percent over 1989. Selling, general and administrative expenses wee $818,169 for the first half, up by $78,355 when compared to the first half of last year. The company continued to expand approximately 11 percent on research and development, which is another indication that the company is committed to the future at the expense of short term results.

Dr. John L. Gunter, TEL's president, stated, ''We believe that we have the best products available in call accounting. Coupled with improvements in our voice products and the addition of our new property management system, INN-FRONT, TEL continues to be a leader in the industry.''

TEL electronics inc. designs, produces, and markets microprocessor-based telephone call accounting, telephone management, line scanners and other telecommunications systems. TEL also markets voice/mail processing systems, automated telephone attendants and property management systems for use by the lodging industry, professional firms, government agencies and general business organizations.

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TEMPE, AZ (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - MicroAge Computer Centers Inc. Thursday announced that Dan Shaver will join the company Sept. 4 as vice president of marketing.

Shaver, 48, brings to MCCI more than 25 years of sales and marketing experience in the computer industry, primarily with major manufacturers inclding IBM and Apple. Most recently he was employed by Apple Computer Corp. where during eight years, he held a variety of sales and marketing positions, including director of corporate accounts, and most recently, vice president of channel strategy and reseller development.

Under Shaver's leadership, Apple sales increased dramatically through the

reseller channel. Apple's relationships with the major computer resellers also improved. During that time, Shaver developed a particularly productive relationship with MicroAge.

''As I worked at developing relationships with Apple's major reseller partners, I became particularly impressed with MicroAge's management style especially the processes in place to enhance the management team and focus on long-term objectives,'' said Shaver.

''In an industry that moves so quickly, it's unique to see that kind of effort and longer-term thinking. It's that kind of organization-building strategy that will provide MicroAge an opportunity for continued success. It's also an area where I feel I can contribute significantly.''

Shaver's responsibilities will include strengthening MicroAge's relationships with its major manufacturing partners, including IBM, Apple, Compaq, Hewlett-Packerd, NEC, Epson, AT&T, AST Research and others.

A Chicago native, Shaver began his career with IBM. After 10 years at IBM he was self-employed for six years before joining Apple in 1982. Shaver has a liberal arts degree in economics from Dickinson College in Carlysle, Pa. products from more than 550 manufacturers.

MicroAge markets and distributes information technology products and services through an international network of more than 700 franchised, dealer and company-owned locations.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Trunkline Gas Co., a subsidiary of Panhandle Eastern Corp., Thursday will begin providing natural gas transportation services on the Lebanon Lateral, formerly referred to as the Indiana-Ohio pipeline.

The Lebanon Lateral is located between Grant County, Ind., and Lebanon, Ohio. Trunkline owns the Indiana portion of the pipeline while the Ohio portion is jointly owned by Trunkline and ANR Pipeline Co., a subsidiary of The Coastal Corp.

Trunkline will operate the 52-mile, 30-inch Indiana pipeline and the 61-mile, 36-inch Ohio pipeline that links Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line (PEPL) to the facilities of Texas Eastern Gas Pipeline, CNG Transmission Corp. and Columbia Gas Transmission Corp.

Initial capacity will be 480 million cubic feet per day and will be equally shared by Trunkline and ANR. Capacity could be expanded to more than 1 billion cubic feet per day to meet future market demands.

''The completion of this project creates a strategic interconnection of Panhandle Eastern Corp.'s pipelines,'' said Fred Fowler, vice president of marketing. ''We are now able to provide the Northeast market area with direct access to the abundant Mid-Continent gas supplies on the Panhandle Eastern system and to provide access to Gulf Coast supplies on the Trunkline system.''

Shippers requesting transportation services should ask for the Master Receipt Point List on their PEPL and Trunkline transportation agreements to provide maximum flexibility in their supply options. Shippers who plan to transport gas will need a PEPL transportation contract redelivering to Grant County, as well as a Trunkline agreement for each redelivery to Lebanon.

For additional information or assistance, shippers should call the Panhandle Eastern marketing services department at 713/627-4765. Panhandle Eastern Corp. operates one of the nation's largest interstate natural gas pipeline systems, providing natural gas to the Midwest and Northeast markets.

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CLEVELAND, OHIO (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - August 9, 1990 -- At the request of The New York Stock Exchange, Ferro Corporation (symbol: FOE) is making the following statement:

''The Company is aware of its disclosure obligations under the securities laws and is in compliance with these obligations. The Company does not comment on unusual market activity or rumors.''

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxtor Corp. (NASDAQ:MXTR), a leading supplier of high-performance data storage products, Thursday announced a new contract with Sun Microsystems.

Maxtor is shipping its LXT-213 3.5-inch SCSI disk drives (formatted to 207 megabytes) to Sun for use in its newest line of workstations.

''Our companies have been developing a partnership over the last several months during the qualification of our LXT 3.5-inch products,'' said George Scalise, Maxtor's president and chief executive officer. ''We are pleased to have been chosen as the 3.5-inch drive supplier for the new Sun SPARCstation.''

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, Calif., is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating systems and productivity software.

Maxtor Corp. was founded in 1982 and has headquarters in San Jose, The company and its subsidiaries manufacture high-capacity Winchester and optical data storage products in San Jose, Singapore, Hong Kong and Malaysia, and has a worldwide sales and distribution network.

Maxtor's products range from 40 megabytes to 1.7 gigabytes, and are designed for use in high-performance computer systems, workstations, personal computers, laptop computers and local area networks.

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LAKEWOOD, CO. (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - K N Energy Inc.'s (NYSE:KNE) board of directors Thursday declared a third quarter common stock cash dividend of 28 cents per share payable Sept. 30 to common shareholders of record on Sept. 14.

The cash dividend reflects a 3 cents per common share increase, or 12 percent, over the previous quarterly cash dividend level of 25 cents per share which had been maintained since late 1987. The dividend will be paid on the 9,527,041 K N Energy common shares outstanding.

''We continue our commitment to maximizing long-term value for K N Energy's shareholders,'' said Charles W. Battey, K N Energy's chairman and chief executive officer. ''The third quarter dividend reflects the board of directors' confidence in the strength of K N's operating performance and recognition of K N's opportunities for the future.''

In other action the board also declared the following preferred dividends payable Oct. 1 to preferred shareholders of record on Sept. 14:

Quarterly dividend of $1.25 per share on the Class A $5 cumulative preferred stock (without par value).

Quarterly dividend of $2.125 per share on the Class A $8.50 cumulative preferred stock (without par value).

Quarterly dividend of $2.075 per share on the Class B $8.30 cumulative preferred stock (without par value).

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ALAMEDA, CA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Hana Biologics Inc. (NASDAQ:HANA) Thursday reported quarterly revenues of $998,000 for the company's fourth fiscal period ended June 30, down 37 percent from $1,595,000 reported for the like period last year.

Contract manufacturing accounted for all revenues in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990. Revenues for fiscal 1989 included sales from the company's now divested cell biology and diagnostic product lines. The company posted a net loss for the fourth quarter of $1,643,000, or 25 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $1,685,000, also 25 cents per share, for the like period of the prior year.

For fiscal 1990, the company recorded total revenues of $4,280,000, down from $5,746,000 in fiscal 1989, resulting in net income for fiscal 1990 of $5,315,000, or 48 cents per share, in contrast to a net loss for fiscal 1989 of $6,869,000, or $1.04 per share.

Net income in fiscal 1990 reflects both a gain of $12,756,000 on the sale

of the cell biology and diagnostic product lines and an expenditure of $1,640,000 as a result of a reorganization, both of which occurred during the first quarter.

Absent these non-operating items and the income tax incurred on the gain, the company would have had a net loss of $5,637,000 for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Hana Biologics Inc. is a biotechnology company dedicated to providing mammalian cells for therapeutic purposes. The company's research and development programs center primarily on the identification, purification, proliferation and processing of cells for the treatment of chronic, cell-based diseases such as diabetes, Parkinson's disease and various liver disorders.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The Orange County, Calif., office of Snell and Wilmer has announced that, effective Aug. 20, five new partners will join the firm.

Four of the partners, Raymond Ikola, William O'Hare, Richard Derevan and David Evans, were formerly with the Orange County office of Hufstedler, Kaus & Beardsley, a Los Angeles-based law firm. Ikola, O'Hare and Derevan are litigation attorneys and Evans practices tax and estate planning.

In addition to the Hufstedler attorneys, Gary Wolensky, formerly a partner with Lavin, Coleman, Finarelli & Gray in Philadelphia, Pa. will join the firm. His practice concentrates on automotive product liability cases.

The former Hufstedler partners have practiced together in Orange County for over a decade, originally practicing in the firm of Wenke, Taylor, Evans & Ikola.

Their practice merged with Hufstedler in 1987. The move to Snell & Wilmer was motivated by ''the unique opportunities of the firm -- we were looking for a firm with experienced corporate and real estate attorneys to complement our practices. We also wanted to be able to offer clients better rates than the Los Angeles-based firms without sacrificing quality. Snell & Wilmer's size and state-of-the-art intra-office communications systems, along with very competitive rates, made this possible,'' explained O'Hare.

O'Hare, who served as the managing partner of Hufstedler's Orange County

Office is currently a member of the board of directors of the Orange County Bar Association and the chairman of the Orange County Conference of Delegates to the State Bar of California.

Snell & Wilmer's Orange County office opened in February of 1989 with one full-time attorney. It is now among the 15 largest firms in Orange County with 21 attorneys and provides a full range of services to California clients.

Robert Gibson, the managing partner of Snell & Wilmer's Orange County office, stated, ''We are very pleased to be able to add these fine attorneys to the firm. This development, along with the addition of Gilbert Kruger, Creighton Mills and Charles Hurst (formerly of Wyman Bautzer Kuchel & Silbert's Orange County office) in February of this year, have added some real depth to our practice here.''

Snell & Wilmer is a firm of over 230 attorneys with offices in Phoenix and Tucson, Ariz. and Orange County, Calif. The firm serves clients regionally, nationally and internationally.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Foundation Health Corp., (AMEX:FH) which operates one of the largest HMOs in California, Thursday reported record net earnings of $11.1 million for fiscal year 1990, compared to a $2.8 million loss in FY1989.

The fiscal year ended June 30.

Earnings per share for FY1990 amounted to $1.37 on 7.2 million common and common equivalent shares outstanding compared with a 55 cents per share loss on 6.9 million outstanding in FY1989.

Operating income nearly tripled to $25.1 million, compared with $9.3 million in FY1989. Consolidated revenues for the year were $895.2 million compared with $762.3 million in 1989, a 17 percent increase.

Comprising FY1990's total were revenues of $319.5 million for the commercial HMO, $569.1 million for the CHAMPUS Reform Initiative, and $6.6 million in interest and other income, compared to FY1989 figures of $316.8 million, $438.9 million and $6.6 million, respectively.

Daniel D. Crowley, president and chief executive officer of Foundation Health Corp., attributed the improvements in large part to tighter

management controls over costs and more focused marketing.

''Foundation Health Corporation has been re-worked from top to bottom in the past year, setting its sights on well-defined performance targets,'' he said. ''We streamlined the organization and focused all of our energies on controlling health care and adminisitrative costs, improving service and better targeting our marketing efforts.

''We're now beginning to reap the rewards of all the hard work.''

Crowley added: ''This past year was a milestone for Foundation. By focusing the company on well-defined targets, we put ourselves on strong financial footing, showed that we could save the U.S. Department of Defense millions of dollars, invested in new automation, initiated new products, began cultivating new markets and strengthened our provider panels throughout our regions.

We believe Foundation is in the strongest financial position of its 12-year history.''

For the fourth quarter of FY1990, net income tripled to $2.7 million, compared to $899,000 a year earlier, with EPS at 32 cents vs. 9 cents. Revenues and operating income were $247.8 million and $6.4 million, respectively, compared with year-earlier results of $200.9 million and $4.1 million, respectively.

Crowley, who joined Foundation in May of 1989 and initiated the new management directions, noted that the company's cost containment efforts had reduced its administrative expenses to 8 percent of total revenues, compared with 10 percent in 1989.

Through improved health care utilization controls, the company also brought its HMO health care expenses as a percentage of revenues -- called the ''loss ratio'' -- to 81.1 percent, compared to 82.1 percent a year earlier.

Contributing to the low loss ratio was hospital days per thousand members of only 285 in 1990, compared to 306 in 1989.

''We are quite proud that we have among the lowest loss ratios in the health care industry,'' Crowley said. ''This is a key indicator of how well we are doing controlling health care costs.''

Membership increased from 273,000 to 281,000 from FY1989 to FY1990, with per member per month premium increases averaging approximately 14 percent. While the company does not offer a ''Medicare risk'' product, it does have about 20,000 Medicare supplement, or ''Medi-gap,'' members.

''We took a very conservative approach to membership growth this past year as we focused on profitability,'' Crowley said. ''Now that those controls are in place, we expect -- and already are realizing -- much higher increases in enrollment for FY1991.''

Foundation Health Corp. administers the Pentagon's CHAMPUS Reform Initiative program for 860,000 eligibles in California and Hawaii, making Foundation the country's 29th largest defense contractor.

Its HMO also serves approximately 280,000 individuals in northern and central California, making it the largest IPA-model (''open-panel'') HMO in the state and fifth largest in the nation.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - During the past few weeks, Galactic Resources Ltd., has filed prospectuses with the Toronto Stock Exchange qualifying shares, previously issued to Yorkton Continental Securities Inc. for trading.

These shares consist of a) 1,582,625 shares that were issued as a result of private purchases of Cornucopia Resources Ltd.'s shares on the basis of 0.5 of a Galactic common share for each common share of Cornucopia, as announced in the Galactic news release of July 12, 1990, and b) 350,000 units issued to Yorkton Capital Markets (Overseas) Ltd., as agent's commission issued pursuant to a private placement of 5,000,000 shares which took place in September 1989. Each unit consists of one common share and one warrant for 0.8 shares of Galactic. The warrants will be exercisable in October 1990.

Yesterday's Dow Wire, which carried the recent announcement by the Toronto Stock Exchange, was merely clarifying the terms under which these shares may be traded and should not be construed as a new issue which will increase the number of presently issued and outstanding shares of Galactic Resources Ltd.

Galactic produces gold at the Ridgeway Mine in South Carolina with joint venture partner The RTZ Corporation PLC, and at its wholly owned Summitville Mine in Colorado. Galactic also has precious metal development projects in Nevada, California, Canada, China, and the Philippines.

Galactic trades on the American, Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver Stock Exchanges (symbol GLC). American Stock Exchange quotes in U.S. dollars

are listed daily in the ''Wall Street Journal'' under AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE COMPOSITE TRANSACTIONS.

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MILWAUKEE (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Milwaukee Insurance Group Inc. (OTC:MILW) Thursday reported second quarter net income of $480,000, or 16 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $803,000, or 26 cents per share in the first quarter of 1990 and compared to net income of $1,450,000, or 47 cents per share, for the same period last year.

First-half 1990 net loss was $323,000, or 10 cents per share vs. first-half 1989 net income of $2,244,000, or 73 cents per share.

Included in net income are pre-tax realized gains of $24,000, or 1 cent per share, for the second quarter of 1990 compared to $5,000 for the second quarter of 1989 and $138,000, or 4 cents per share, for the first half of 1990 compared to $8,000 in the first half of 1989.

Property-Casualty Insurance:

Milwaukee Insurance Group Inc.'s property-casualty insurance segment produced a net loss of $42,000, or 1 cent per share, for the second quarter of 1990 compared to net income of $866,000, or 28 cents per share, in the corresponding period of 1989.

''Premium rates on our personal auto policies were not adequate at the beginning of the year,'' said Robert W. Doucette, president and chairman of Milwaukee Insurance Group Inc. ''Rate increases initiated in March and April of this year will start to impact earned premium as the policies renew. In addition, homeowners losses increased as a result of storm losses during the second quarter.''

Life Insurance:

The life insurance segment of Milwaukee Insurance Group Inc. contributed net income of $522,000, or 17 cents per share, during the second quarter of 1990 compared to $584,000, or 19 cents per share in the corresponding period of 1989.

Milwaukee Insurance Group Inc. provides property and casualty insurance through two subsidiaries, Milwaukee Guardian Insurance Inc. and Milwaukee Safeguard Insurance Co.; and life insurance through its subsidiary, Milwaukee Life Insurance Co. It is traded on the NASDAQ National Market

System under the symbol MILW.

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PALM DESERT, CA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - StratAmerica Corp. announced it has signed the binding agreement to acquire 80 percent of Sports Archives Inc., Palm Desert, for 200,000 shares of restricted common stock.

Sports Archives Inc. owns and operates the ''Field of Dreams'' baseball card and sports memorabilia retail store based in Palm Desert. Sports Archives Inc. has a license from MCA, Los Angeles, to use the name ''Field of Dreams'' in the sports memorabilia business.

Sam D. Battistone, StratAmerica's president, said the ''Field of Dreams'' baseball card and memorabilia store has proven to be a profitable concept and will serve as the prototype for expansion into multiple locations. ''Field of Dreams'' has been developing a plan to expand and now StratAmerica can help provide its multi-location expertise, sports involvement and financial resources to expedite this concept.

Presently, several Southern California shopping center locations have been identified for new stores and leases are being negotiated for specific space. It is anticipated that these initial expansion units will be opened by the end of the year. Also future sites for 1991 expansion are being developed.

Battistone said the substantial market advantage of the goodwill associated with the name ''Field of Dreams,'' through the major motion picture and the ancillary merchandising efforts, will be a primary focus of the companies promotional activities. The design of the stores will reflect the positive elements associated with the ''Field of Dreams'' motion picture story.

A new and unique design concept has recently been completed for both the interior and exterior of the new stores. Each location will have a wide range of cards, collectibles and memorabilia of the sports heroes of the past and present. The selection will be inviting to the beginning collector as well as the seasoned professional investor.

The founders of Sports Archives Inc., Richard J. Heckmann and Gregory T. MacDonald, plan to remain active in the expansion plans for the ''Field of Dreams'' memorabilia stores. Heckmann is a senior vice president-investments and branch manager for Prudential-Bache Securities and is also the chairman of the board of American Toxxic Control Inc.,

owner of Smith Sports Optics Inc., the largest U.S. manufacturer of ski goggles, and the owner of several large California-based agricultural companies.

Previously he was an associate administrator of the Small Business Administration, director of the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., and chairman of the board of Tower Scientific Corp., a manufacturer of custom prosthetic devices.

MacDonald is the president and chief executive officer of an independent television producer and phonograph packager company that has specific emphasis in the area of direct to consumer broadcast advertising. In 1989 he was a nominee for The American Film Institute's - Billboard Magazine's video conference award for the best music documentary for his co-production of ''A Tribute to Ricky Nelson'' for whom he was the personal manager for 12 years.

Prior to managing Ricky Nelson he was associated with Col. Tom Parker and the management of Elvis Presley. He has personally promoted concerts for: Fats Domino, Little Richard, Chuck Berry, Smokey Robinson, The Judds, The Temptations, Jerry Lee Lewis, The Four Tops, The Everly Brothers, The Righteous Brothers, Merle Haggard, Sonny Bono, Jan & Dean, The Beach Boys, The Grass Roots, The Mamas & The Papas, Donovan Del Shannon, Chubby Checker, Little Anthony, Terry Stafford, Roy Orbison, Carl Perkins, Johnny Cash, Micky Gilley, The Diamonds, The Platters, The Coasters, The Drifters and others.

It is estimated by leading industry publications that the baseball memorabilia and collectibles market currently exceeds $2.5 billion annually and is rapidly growing. StratAmerica intends to market sport memorabilia for many other sports in addition to baseball, including basketball and football because of their increased popularity in this area through the ''Field of Dreams'' stores.

In addition to retail sales the company plans to establish a wholesale division to service company stores and independent retailers. ''Field of Dreams'' is also presently in the development stage of both television marketing and mail order promotions.

StratAmerica previously owned the Utah Jazz basketball franchise of the National Basketball Association (NBA). Battistone said the acquisition of Sports Archives is an unique opportunity to combine the company's professional sports and multi-unit operational expertise. As in the other successful acquisitions of StratAmerica, management has proven to be the key element to profitable growth within the specific business.

An experienced operating management team has been identified to operate ''Field of Dreams.'' This new management group will provide the same type

of leadership and direction that enabled the Utah Jazz and Shari's Management Corp. to achieve profitable results for the company.

Other public companies in the sports memorabilia business include The Score Board Inc., Fleer Corp., and Topps Co. StratAmerica's stock is traded on the NASDAQ system in the over-the-counter market with the symbol STCO.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Mary M. Briggs joined Mellon McMahan Real Estate Advisors Inc., on July 16 as vice president and director of research.

Briggs will oversee a newly created four-person research department that will develop and manage analytical systems to support the firm's real estate investment, asset management and valuation activities.

She also will initiate and publish research on issues affecting real estate investment as well as speak to professional and public groups on topics of interest.

Briggs had been with the Roulac Group of Deloitte & Touche in San Francisco since 1985, serving as senior manager in the firm since 1988. At Roulac, she directed consulting engagements with real estate clients nationwide, including real estate investment managers, pension funds, developers and law firms.

Prior to 1985, she was assistant vice president, marketing, at Scudder, Stevens & Clark, a national investment advisory firm based in Boston.

''Mary brings to Mellon/McMahan national real estate experience of the highest caliber,'' said company president John McMahan. ''Her work has been well regarded throughout the real estate community. She will be integral to the success of the firm as it expands into new markets nationwide.''

Briggs holds a master's degree in city and regional planning from Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government, and a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Oregon.

Mellon/McMahan Real Estate Advisors Inc., has been providing investment management services since 1980 on behalf of public, corporate, endowment and foundation pension fund clients. The firm is a wholly owned

subsidiary of Mellon Bank N.A. headquartered in San Francisco with offices in Stamford, Conn., Denver and Phoenix.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 9) BIZWIRE - Bank of America Thursday announced that it is offering a new supplemental loan program that will help parents meet their children's college education expenses.

The College Triumph Program, which was developed by the Student Loan Marketing Association (Sallie Mae), is being offered only through Bank of America in the western United States.

The College Triumph Program offers parents up to $14,000 a year for each child in college by combining federally sponsored PLUS loans with the FamilyEd Loan Program, one of the most affordable private loan plans available. The borrower has the option of applying to BofA for both loans or only one.

''Parents today are looking for an education loan program they can live with that offers reasonable rates and an extended repayment period for assistance in meeting their children's college financing needs,'' said Kathy Cannon, Bank of America vice president.

''College Triumph offers all the benefits of PLUS loans while providing borrowers with access to additional funds available through FamilyEd.''

College Triumph can help parents whose children have exhausted all other financial assistance available through grants, scholarships, work-study programs and other government-sponsored loans.

The program also is an affordable option for parents whose income levels are too high to make their children eligible for assistance, but who need additional funds to help pay for their children's college expenses.

Two different loan plans are available for parents under College Triumph. For PLUS loans, up to $4,000 is available per child per year, to a total of $20,000 maximum cumulative for each child; for FamilyEd loans, up to $10,000 is available per year (or more, if the annual tuition cost is greater), to a total of $40,000 maximum cumulative per family.

Both PLUS loans and FamilyEd Loans have interest rates tied to current money market rates, with a cap on the PLUS rate of 12 percent per year. They also feature streamlined application procedures, lengthy repayment

terms, flexible deferment provisions, and no collateral requirements.

Cannon has advice for parents who are looking for help to finance their children's education.

''We recommend that College Triumph borrowers first apply for PLUS loans, followed by FamilyEd Loans,'' Cannon said, ''because, with an interest rate to borrowers that may not exceed 12 percent, repayment costs on PLUS loans are more predictable over the long term.''

BofA has been making student loans since 1962 and is the leading lender of student loans in California.

Sallie Mae, a federally chartered, stockholder-owned (NYSE) corporation, is the major financial intermediary by serving the education finance market.

By buying insured student loans and providing other financial services to financial and educational institutions, Salie Mae replenishes local supplies of student credit.

For additional information about College Triumph, call 1/800/831-LOAN, or write to College Triumph Program, P.O. Box 407, Beltsville, MD 20705.

College Triumph and FamilyEd are service marks of the Student Loan Marketing Association (Sallie Mae).

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PORTLAND, OR (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Willamette Industries Inc. (OTC: WMTT) Thursday declared a dividend of 40 cents per share on its common stock, payable on Sept. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 27, 1990.

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Air Express announced Thursday that it is implementing a fuel-related surcharge in the pricing

of its domestic and Canadian airfreight services.

David L. Marshall, Burlington's chairman, commented that the recent run-up in oil prices and related fuel products, including jet fuel, have left Burlington no choice but to pass on these extraordinary cost increases to its customers. Accordingly, Burlington will implement a six cents per pound surcharge on its domestic and Canadian airfreight services effective Aug. 20.

Burlington's fuel surcharge will be reviewed on a continuing basis in order to take into account future changes, both up and down, in the price of relevant fuel products.

Burlington Air Express Inc., an $850 million worldwide cargo express company headquartered in Irvine, specializes in transportation and logistics management services for industrial shippers in 160 countries. Burlington offers overnight and second-day freight delivery to virtually every major U.S. business community, and international air freight and customs brokerage services worldwide.

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TORONTO (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Lawson Mardon Group Limited Thursday announced that net income for the second quarter increased by 10.4 percent to $8.5 million, or $0.30 per share, from $7.7 million, or $0.27 per share in the second quarter of 1989.

Sales in the second quarter of 1990 increased to $265.0 million from $254.2 million in the second quarter of 1989.

Sales for the first half increased to $522.0 million from $505.2 million in the same period of 1989. Earnings for the first half were $14.6 million, an increase of 11.5 percent from 1989's first half earnings of $13.1 million.

This improved performance is reflected in increased half-year earnings per share of $0.51 compared with $0.46 in 1989.

During the quarter, the company continued to strengthen selected market positions with the purchase of two carton companies in West Germany. The companies, W Cardes and Hanse Druck, are accredited suppliers of cartons for the tobacco, confectionary and cosmetics industries in Europe and are ideally situated to take advantage of emerging Eastern European markets.

Lawson Mardon also announced that a quarterly dividend of $0.10 per share wil be paid on Sept. 7, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 21, 1990.

The Lawson Mardon Group produces flexible, rigid plastic, metal and folding carton packaging, and is engaged in commercial printing, label making and print trade finishing, with operations in Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, Ireland, West Germany and France.

Lawson Mardon is listed on the Toronto, Montreal, American and London stock exchanges. Major shareholders are Roman Corporation Limited (26 percent), management (11 percent) and Woodholme Holdings (7 percent).

LAWSON MARDON GROUP LIMITED
Financial highlights
Thousands of Canadian Dollars

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$265,095	$254,245	$522,059	$505,170
Earnings	$8,462	$7,731	$14,565	$13,123
Earnings per Share	$0.30	$0.27	$0.51	$0.46
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	28,826	28,837	28,826	28,837

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Inc. (OTC:SUNW) Thursday reported results for its eighth full fiscal year ended June 30.

Revenues for fiscal 1990 were $2.47 billion, a 40 percent increase over the $1.77 billion in fiscal 1989. Net income for the year was up 83 percent, to $111.2 million, or $1.21 per share, from the $60.8 million, or 76 cents per share, reported a year ago.

Revenues for the fourth quarter were $700.1 million, a 62 percent increase over the $431.2 million reported in the like period a year ago. The company reported net income for the quarter of $49.1 million, or 51 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $20.3 million, or 25 cents per

share, in the fourth quarter a year ago.

Scott McNealy, president and chief executive officer of Sun, said: ''We are continuing to reinforce our leadership position in easy workgroup computing -- including powerful, cost-efficient workstations and servers -- as these results clearly demonstrate.

''More than 34,000 units were shipped in the fourth quarter, bringing our worldwide installed base to more than 285,000 units. We had record bookings during the quarter and ended the period with a record backlog of orders. Fourth quarter gross margin reached a two-year high and operating income margins for the same period reached target levels despite an increasingly competitive environment.

''Throughout all of fiscal 1990, our employees did an excellent job of returning the company to levels of service, quality and profitability we can be proud of. Evidence of this is seen by the fact that Sun's revenue per employee reached a record $215,000, a 24 percent increase over last year's numbers.''

''Sun's financial focus throughout the past few quarters has been on strengthening the balance sheet,'' McNealy said. Sun ended the quarter with $394 million in cash, a sizable increase over the $54 million reported a year ago. Short-term debt decreased by $104 million from prior year levels.

The company reduced inventory levels to $205 million at the end of the fourth quarter from $309 million last year due primarily to improved management over inventory supply/demand and procurement processes and increased component commonality. These changes have all greatly contributed to Sun's increased financial flexibility.

''The ability of Sun to finance its growth has been an important facilitator of our success,'' McNealy said. Toward this end, shortly after the close of the quarter, Sun announced its intention to issue 4.58 million shares of common stock to AT&T under the terms of an agreement signed in January 1988. Sun expects to receive $192 million from this financing in early September.

Sun has evolved into a truly multinational company with more than 50 percent of fourth quarter revenues coming from outside the United States. The company was recently chosen by the New Zealand Inland Revenue Department to provide systems for an extensive office automation project.

In addition to major foreign contract wins, Sun has expanded its international presence with the opening of a new Scotland manufacturing facility, which will enhance the company's ability to serve customers throughout the world.

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, is a leading worldwide supplier of general purpose computing systems based upon the distributed computing model of networked workstations and servers.

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SEATTLE (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Second quarter results for Nordstrom Inc. For the second quarter, sales were $801,770,000 compared with $729,089,000 for the same quarter last year, a 10 percent increase. Sales for the six-month period ended July 31, 1990, increased 9 percent to $1,356,808,000 from $1,241,248,000.

For the quarter, net earnings were $35,924,000 compared with $38,546,000 a 7 percent decrease. On a per share basis, net earnings were $.44 compared with $.47. Net earnings for the six-month period ended July 31, 1990, were $49,093,000 compared with $61,519,000, a 20 percent decrease. On a per share basis, net earnings were $.60 compared with $.75.

''We are encouraged that second quarter results are clearly trending in the right direction. Sales increased at a higher rate than the last quarter, and the rate of increase in expenses is declining. While we're not yet satisfied, we are pleased to see sharp inprovement while operating in a difficult retail environment,'' said John A. Goesling.

During the next month, the company is opening three new stores: Santa Barbara on Aug. 17; Lloyd Center in Portland on Aug. 24; and the company's first store in Northeast U.S. in the Garden State Plaza in Paramus, N.J., on Sept. 7.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Amoco Orient Petroleum Co. Thursday signed a petroleum contract for oil exploration rights offshore the People's Republic of China.

The contract area covers about 6.7 million acres (27,000 square kilometers) in the South China Sea, about 185 miles (300 kilometers) southeast of Hong Kong. This agreement covers the 40/06 contract area in the Pearl River Mouth Basin of the South China Sea.

Amoco currently operates an additional four contract areas in this basin. Agreements for these were signed in 1985, 1986, and 1989 as a result of the first three licensing rounds held by the People's Republic of China. In 1987 Amoco announced an oil discovery in contract area 29/04, which is located about 75 miles (120 kilometers) northwest of the 40/06 area.

The latest agreement calls for Amoco Orient to conduct technical studies and seismic acquisition and, at its option, exploratory drilling. Work is expected to begin by the end of the year.

The China National Offshore Oil Corp. (CNOOC) will have the option to acquire up to 51 percent working interest in any commercial discovery that is made.

Signing in Beijing on behalf of Amoco Orient was Richard M. Morrow, chairman of Amoco Corp. Signing for CNOOC was Zhong Yiming, president.

Amoco Orient is a unit of Amoco Production Co., the worldwide petroleum exploration and production subsidiary of Amoco Corp.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Argonaut Group Inc. Thursday announced that it is offering to purchase shares of its common stock from shareholders who, as of Aug. 9, 1990, owned 50 or fewer shares of Argonaut Group Inc. common stock.

The offer will be mailed on Aug. 21, 1990, to eligible shareholders and allows them to sell all, but not less than all, of their eligible shares without being charged any brokerage commission. Shareholders who elect to participate in this offer must sell all of the eligible shares they own. Partial tenders will not be accepted and there are no withdrawal rights. Participating shareholders will be paid the highest of the closing prices during the period from Aug. 21, 1990, to Sept. 25, 1990, as reported in ''The Wall Street Journal.''

Many shareholders received their shares in 1986 when Teledyne Inc. spun-off Argonaut Group Inc. to the shareholders of Teledyne Inc. Argonaut Group Inc. is making the offer primarily to provide its smaller shareholders the opportunity to sell their shares without incurring any brokerage costs. The offer is also being made to an unknown number of beneficial shareholders of 50 or fewer shares. Also, this offer will

enable Argonaut Group Inc. to reduce its administrative costs associated with servicing their small shareholder accounts.

The manager of the offer, Shareholder Communications Corp., and Argonaut Group Inc. make no recommendation as to whether or not shareholders should participate in the offer. The offer is set to expire on Sept. 25, 1990, at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, unless extended by Argonaut Group Inc.

Argonaut Group Inc. is a holding company whose subsidiaries are engaged primarily in the selling, underwriting, and servicing of workers compensation and other lines of property-casualty insurance. Argonaut Group is traded on NASDAQ's National Market System, ticker symbol AGII.

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DES MOINES, IA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Equitable of Iowa Cos. (NASDAQ:EQICB) declared regular quarterly dividends of 30 cents per share of its classes A and B common stock.

The dividends are payable September 18 to shareholders of record on Aug. 29.

Equitable of Iowa Cos., based in Des Moines, is the holding company for Equitable Life Insurance Co. of Iowa, USG Annuity & Life Co., E.I. Sales, Equitable Investment Services and Younkers department stores. Founded in 1867, Equitable Life Insurance Co. of Iowa sells individual life insurance and annuities in 44 states.

USG Annuity & Life was acquired in 1988 and sells annuities in 47 states through savings and loan associations, insurance agents and regional brokerage houses. E.I. Sales markets mutual funds, variable annuities, tax-exempt bond funds and other investment products through 442 registered representatives.

Equitable Investment Services manages investments for Equitable Life and USG. Younkers has 34 retail department stores in Iowa, Nebraska, Illinois, Minnesota and South Dakota.

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ARLINGTON, VA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Oracle Complex Systems Corporation (OCSC), the systems integration subsidiary of Oracle Corporation Thursday announced it has been awarded a $39.4 million prime contract by the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) to provide a sophisticated document imaging system for automating the DLA supply cataloging process.

Entitled Cataloging Tools On-Line (CTOL), this multi-agency requirements contract includes hardware, software, communications, maintenance, and services for one year plus nine option years. The ORACLE-based system will automate the cataloging logistics functions at five DLA Supply Centers and at other logistics facilities supported by DLA, as well as the cataloging facilities of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Veterans Affairs, Defense Nuclear Agency, NATO Maintenance and Supply Agency and General Services Administration. It will provide advanced scanning, on-line storage, viewing and printing of text, engineering drawings and compound documents on high-resolution workstations. The CTOL award is one of the government's first multi-agency imaging contracts and represents OCSC's largest Federal program win.

''After an intensive evaluation, we selected OCSC as our systems integrator for CTOL,'' said DLA Contracting Officer Pamela Hite. ''OCSC's technical expertise in image processing and project management experience, combined with the strength and stability of Oracle Corporation will help us meet the wide range of requirements of all the agencies served by this contract. This is a significant procurement for the government. It provides leading-edge imaging systems and is a major contracting vehicle for acquiring technology to meet logistics management requirements.''

The CTOL system will provide paperless processing of the millions of catalog searches and classifications performed by the DLA and other agencies annually. It is projected to save the government tens of millions of dollars over its lifecycle while increasing DLA's efficiency. The productivity improvements are estimated by DLA to be 30 percent with significantly increased overall quality and reduced cataloging rejects. CTOL will provide automated reporting and status monitoring as well as improved management control. The system is also designed to comply with various government and industry standards including POSIX, CALS, SGML, C2 Security and SQL. OCSC's system design integrates components such as optical storage, document scanning, distributed processors and X windows/Motif based workstations.

''This award is evidence of the exceptional performance of our OCSC team of professionals,'' said OCSC's President Robert B. Laurence. ''From day one, we have focused on finding the best and most cost-effective solution for the CTOL project. We are committed to providing DLA, our largest customer, with the technology and the support that will serve their needs well into the 21st century.''

Oracle Complex Systems Corporation is the systems integration subsidiary of Oracle Corporation, the world's largest database management software supplier. OCSC is a high-quality, full-service systems integrator serving commercial, government and international clients. OCSC specializes in designing and delivering integrated information systems, especially in the areas of compound data integration, document imaging, distributed database and heterogeneous environments and high performance systems, utilizing an open architecture. OCSC headquarters are located at 1110 North Glebe Road, Arlington, VA 22201.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - A class-action suit for unspecified damages of up to $3,000 per violation has been filed in Los Angeles Superior Court against Epson America Inc. (Epson), a wholly owned subsidiary of Epson-Seiko of Japan, for alleged invasion of privacy through the illegal tapping of Epson employee's Electronic Mail at the company's Torrance, Calif., facility, according to Noel Shipman, attorney for the plaintiffs Dick Flanagan, Alana Shoars, Glen Mosby and other members of the class numbering approximately 2,500 persons.

The suit claims that Epson violated California Penal Code Section 631 as it authorized and had knowledge of the acts of its management employees who are alleged to have ''systematically'' printed and read the internal and external MCI Electronic Mail messages of the approximately 700 Epson employees at the Torrance facility.

According to Shipman, the manager of HP Computer Operations and Data Communications for Epson, Robert Hillseth, had, since August of 1989, ''illegally placed a tap on the electronic mail gateway where the HP Mainframe computer interfaced with the outside MCI ''E'' Mail Communications Service, systematically printing and reading all of the ''E'' Mail that was entering and leaving Epson's Torrance facility.

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CARSON, CA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - TRW Systems Engineering and Development Division has received a $5.9 million contract to develop an Automated Message Handling (AMH) capability for the U.S. Army Europe Tactical Command and Control System (UTACCS).

The first step in a multi-year plan to field an AMH system for the U.S. Army, the program is divided into four phases over 20 months. The contract was awarded by the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command and Program Executive Office for Strategic Information Systems in Fort Monmouth, N.J.

TRW has been the prime systems engineering and integration contractor on UTACCS since 1987. Designed to provide secure, automated command, control and communications to European theater commanders at echelons-above-corps ranks, UTACCS is currently deployed at 40 sites throughout Europe.

AMH will support UTACCS with integrated message handling to facilitate processing of formal Department of Defense Automated Digital Network (AUTODIN), wire service and internal UTACCS messages.

Prototype demonstrations will occur at the end of Phase 1 in October 1990, and again in February 1991, at the end of Phase 2. With the initial capability, multiple users on a local area network can generate messages and electronically distribute them for coordination and release.

In Phases 3 and 4, users will be able to add annotations to messages and connect to wire services and government networks such as AUTODIN and the Defense Data Network (DDN). TRW will install an AMH at Fort McPherson, Ga., and Campbell Barracks, Heidelberg, Federal Republic of Germany.

''The AMH capability will significantly increase the commander's ability to handle the rapidly increasing flow of information,'' said Rhon Williams TRW program manager.

''This technology has future applications for many of the Army's command and control systems,'' said Jack R. Distaso, vice president and general manager of SEDD. ''TRW is playing a major role in automating the Army's battlefield functional areas and the related theater-level systems.''

The AMH design is incorporating the Fast Data Finder (FDF) developed by TRW's System Development Division. Capable of a sustained search rate of up to 9.5 million characters per second, FDF is probably the fastest text search system in the world.

The Systems Engineering and Development Division, located in Carson, is part of TRW Systems Integration Group, an operating unit of TRW Inc.'s California-based Space and Defense Sector.

leveland-based TRW is an international company that provides high-technology products and services to the space and defense, automotive and information systems markets. The company's 1989 sales totaled more

than $7 billion.

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DFW AIRPORT, TX (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - American Airlines announced Thursday that it will establish a flight attendant crew base at Honolulu on Oct. 1.

The base will open with 135 flight attendants and could grow to more than 200 attendants by the end of 1991.

American will house the base in 700 square feet of office space in its terminal at Honolulu International Airport, and the Honolulu-based attendants will be assigned to the airline's flights to and from Sydney and Auckland.

Michael Zielinski, currently manager of flight service at Honolulu, will remain there to head the new crew base. He will be assisted by two services mangers and a clerk.

''The decision to open the crew base underscores the importance of Honolulu to American. We will operate more efficiently and do a better job for our customers,'' said George L. Mueller, the airline's vice president-customer services.

''With flight attendants based in Honolulu, we can quickly adjust staffing to meet schedule changes or heavier-than-expected passenger loads,'' Mueller said. ''And with greater numbers of flight service people in Honolulu, we will strengthen our service commitment and thus enhance our competitive position in the market''

Joseph J. D'Ambrosio, American's western division vice president, said the new crew base will pump more than $3 million a year into the Honolulu economy and will draw increased attention to Hawaii as a major gateway for the Pacific.

American began service to Sydney and Auckland on Feb. 2 with service four days a week to Sydney and three days a week to Auckland. The flights originate at Dallas/Fort Worth and stop in Honolulu on their way to and from the South Pacific.

Mueller said Honolulu will become the 17th flight attendant base in American's system, including South America. The base will increase the airline's total employment in Honolulu to nearly 530 people.

The airline operates a total of 12 flights a day to Honolulu to eight nonstop destinations. They are Chicago, Dallas/Fort Worth, Los Angeles, Maui, San Francisco, San Jose, Sydney and Auckland.

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CLEVELAND, OH (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of LDI Corporation (NASDAQ: LDIC) today approved a stock repurchase program under which the company may acquire up to 300,000 shares of its common sotck on the open market or in privatley negotiated transactions.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Robert S. Kendall said, ''The Board feels that based on the current price of stock, which it believes to be undervalued, the program is a positive investment for the company and will benefit all shareholders.'' LDI has 6,453,000 common shares outstanding.

LDI Corporation, with headquarters in Cleveland, leases and sells a full range of new and used data processing, telecommunications and other high technology equipment, and provides maintenance, disaster recovery, technical support and related services. The Company's products include mainframe and mid-range central processing equipment and peripheral devices, as well as personal computers, telecommunications equipment, computerized medical diagnostic systems, and selected capital equipment. LDI is also an active dealer in the secondary market for used data processing, telecommunications and related equipment.

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FRESNO, CA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - WestAir Holding Inc. (ASE:WAH), operating as United Express through marketing agreements with United Air Lines (UAL), Thursday reported preliminary traffic results for the month of July.

The airline boarded 262,531 passengers during July, a 27 percent increase compared to the like month last year when the company boarded 206,370 customers.

Revenue passenger miles (RPM's) in July increased 37 percent from 41,790,000 in 1989 to 57,383,000 during July. Available seat miles (ASM's) in July increased 46 percent from 86,589,000 in 1989 to 126,096,000 in 1990.

Load factor for the month was 45.5 percent, down two and one half percentage points from the 48.0 percent figure logged during July, 1989.

According to Timothy P. Flynn, WestAir Holding chairman, traffic for the month met the airline's expectations. He added, however, that promotional fares related to the Independence Day holiday period and other discount pricing in the marketplace affected yields.

Flynn said that the load factor dip for July is partly attributable to the fact that during the month last year the airline industry's ''kids fly free'' promotion boosted load factors. Also during July last year, the airline operated only five of its six 90-seat British Aerospace BAe-146 jet aircraft due to aircraft maintenance requirements. As a result, the airline operated smaller turbo-prop equipment on more heavily traveled jet routes which also increased load factors, Flynn said.

In another matter, Flynn said that the company will raise fares approximately five percent effective Wednesday, Aug. 15, to help offset higher fuel prices.

Through the first seven months of 1990, WestAir Holding Inc. boarded 1,639,772 passengers, up 26 percent over the like period last year when 1,300,257 passengers were boarded. Revenue passenger miles for the seven months were up 36 percent, with 364,631,000 RPM's logged in 1990, compared to 267,773,000 during 1989. Available seat miles through July were 824,324,000, up 40 percent compared to the 589,625,000 ASM's logged in 1989.

Load factor during the first seven months of 1990 was 44.2 percent, down .8 of a percentage point compared to the 45.0 percent figure logged during the like period in 1989.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - ZyMOS Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ZMOS) Thursday reported revenues of $11,871,000 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, an increase of 39 percent over revenues of $8,522,000 for the like period of 1989.

Net income for this period was $52,000, or 0 cents per share, compared with the 1989 loss for the like period of $324,000, or 1 cent per share.

Revenue for the first half of 1990 was $24,074,000, an increase of 58 percent over first half of 1989 revenue of $15,270,000. Net income for this period was $281,000, or 1 cent per share, a major improvement compared with a 1989 first-half loss of $1,136,000, or 3 cents per share.

''The increase we saw in revenues for the second quarter resulted from increased demand across all product areas,'' explained ZyMOS President David A. Handorf. ''Shipments of personal computer (PC) chip sets and graphics chips were up, as were shipments of custom chips to major PC manufacturers.''

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RIDGEWOOD, NY (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Quarex Industries Inc. (''QUAREX'') (NASDAQ:QRXI) reported Thursday that its independent public accountants, Borek, Stockel & Co. are completing an audit of the retail business conducted by PSL Foods Inc. and affiliates with which Quarex has agreed in principle to combine.

PSL reported 1989 sales of $67 million and pre tax income of 1,624,480 before executive bonuses.

Based on this report, Quarex expects that the 1989 pro forma earnings of the combined companies will be 48 cents per share as against 41 cents per share for Quarex alone.

The combined sales of the group for 1989, after elimination of intercompany transactions, are $235 million as against $195 million for Quarex alone.

According to Jules L. Verner, chief financial officer of Quarex, PSL reported first quarter pre-tax earnings of $567,313, which, on a pro forma combined basis, would increase Quarex' earnings for the quarter from 10 cents to 13 cents per share.

Verner said that the Quarex attorneys are now preparing an application for a tax ruling, a definitive form of agreement and a proxy statement.

He further said that Quarex expects to enlarge its board of directors and to create a new retail division to be headed by Peter Castellana as president.

The annual meeting has been deferred so that stockholders can vote on the business combination and on the new management structure at the same time.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Semi-Gas Systems has named David C. Lowles company president and chief executive officer.

Lowles succeeds founder Andrew K. Lorenz who will continue as consultant to the president.

The appointment of Lowles, who has served as Semi-Gas vice president of new business development since 1986, underscores the company's intention to maintain continuity in the management philosophy of the company. Semi-Gas Systems is the leading supplier of advanced gas control and purification systems used in semiconductor manufacturing worldwide.

According to Lowles, for the long term, Semi-Gas will continue to focus efforts on product development, expansion of services to the customer, maintaining its relationships with all gas suppliers, and continued development and support of international markets, which include Japan, Korea and Taiwan, as well as the European market which is served through Semi-Gas Systems Ltd., a licensee.

As consultant to the president, founder Andrew Lorenz provides continuity as the company moves further into advanced control and gas purification systems.

Prior to joining Semi-Gas, Lowles served as vice president and general manager of Dover Corp.'s OPW division of Cincinnati, Ohio, a manufacturer of fluid handling components and equipment. Lowles is a graduate of Purdue University and holds an MBA from Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio. He holds two fluid device patents and is an active member of the Rotary Club of San Jose.

Founded in 1980, Semi-Gas Systems is headquartered at 625 Wool Creek Drive San Jose, 95112. Fax number is 408/275-8643.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 9) BUISNESS WIRE - Del Webb Corp. (NYSE:WBB) announced Thursday that the company had terminated its shareholder rights plan and that all outstanding rights will expire at the close of business today.

Philip J. Dion, chairman and chief executive officer of Del Webb, stated, ''The Board decided to take this action in the best interest of all shareholders. We believe it is essential that all of our efforts be directed toward improving the company's leadership position in the development of existing and future active adult communities.''

Del Webb Corp. is the leading developer of active adult communities in the United States.

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ANAHEIM, CA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The Clothestime, Inc. (NASDAQ:CTME) today announced sales for the four weeks ended July 28, 1990.

Sales for the four weeks of July 1990 were $16.9 million, versus $16.9 million in the like period last year. Comparable store sales for the four weeks decreased 8 percent.

The Clothestime, Inc. operates 365 women's apparel stores in 15 states, offering primarily in-season, moderately priced sportswear, dresses and accessories, emphasizing brand names at substantial discount from the more upscale department and specialty stores.

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JOPPA, Md. (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Merry-Go-Round Enterprises Inc. (MGR/NYSE) today announced that sales for the four week period ending Aug. 4, increased approximately 35 percent to $39.6 million from $29.4 million in the corresponding period in July 1989.

Same store sales for July 1990 on a comparable day to day basis increased 20 percent.

Sales for the twenty-six week period ending Aug. 4, increased approximately 50 percent to $245.8 million from $164.2 million in the corresponding period a year ago.

Michael D. Sullivan, president and chief executive officer, commented, ''We are delighted with our strong sales performance in July despite a very difficult retail environment and tough sales comparisons from a year ago.''

Merry-Go-Round Enterprisees Inc. is a leading specialty clothing chain selling contemporary fashions for young men and women in over 630 retail stores in 37 states.

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SANTA BARBARA, CA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The Industrial Designers Society of America (IDSA) in ceremonies last night at the group's annual conference here, awarded the Nissan concept light truck ''Gobi'' its Industrial Excellence (IDEA) gold award in the Transportation/Concept Vehicle category, marking the first time the creation of a design studio owned by a Japanese manufacturer has been so recognized.

In making the award, the society said, ''This hybrid explores new forms. Rather than a simple unity, the Gobi attempts a complex harmony of its discreet components. Each separate zone manifests its own identity, mood and functions, from the helicopter-like passenger cocoon to the rugged, corrugated, fold-down bed sides.''

''We are pleased to receive this award,'' said Yoshikazu Hanawa, president of Nissan North America, in accepting the award. ''Design will be a crucial component in the successful vehicles of the 90s as people seek products that are innovative, not imitative; distinctive vehicles that appeal to individual tastes and sensibilities. Nissan has brought to market such vehicles in the past several years and we plan more in the future.''

The Gobi is a design concept vehicle created by Nissan Design

International, San Diego (NDI), to break the mold of what might be visually acceptable to customers of two seat passenger cars. There are no plans to produce the truck, but elements of it may appear in future vehicles as the concept model was well received by the press and general public at auto shows in the United States.

In its 11th year, the Industrial Design Excellence Awards program is conducted annually by the IDSA to foster industrial design excellence. There were 525 entries in this year's IDEA competition, with only 16 other concepts receiving awards in unrelated categories. The entries were judged on six criteria, including: benefits to user, customer appeal, and appropriate use of materials and manufacturing processes. The entries were judged by distinguished designers from across the United States in the industries and markets represented.

The award for the Gobi continues a tradition of awards for innovative design received by the San Diego studio. NDI has previously been recognized by the IDSA with an Industrial Design Excellence Award 1987, Transportation category for the 1987 Pulsar NX, and an Industrial Design Excellence Award 1986, Transportation category for the 1986 1/2 light truck ''Hardbody.''

Nissan Design International, is part of Tokyo-based Nissan Motor Co. Ltd.'s worldwide network of design facilities and a member of the Nissan group of operating companies in the United States that fall under the Nissan North America umbrella.

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MILPITAS, CA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - ADAC Laboratories (NASDAQ:ADAC), a leading producer of medical imaging and information products, Thursday announced results of operations for its third quarter ended July 1, 1990.

For the three month period ended July 1, 1990, the company reported revenues of $19.0 million, compared to $24.5 million reported for the like period a year ago. Net income of $746,000, or 2 cents per share, was achieved, compared to net income of $4.4 million, or 10 cents per share, reported in the third quarter of fiscal 1989.

For the nine months ended July 1, 1990, the company reported revenues of $56.3 million, compared to $71.0 million reported for the like period a year ago. Net income of $3.1 million, or 7 cents per share, was achieved compared to net income of $12.2 million, or 28 cents per share, reported for the like period a year ago.

Michael O. Preletz, chairman and chief executive officer, in making the announcement said: ''The company's revenues and earnings continue to be impacted by our customers' restrictive capital equipment budgets and increased competition in significant portions of our product markets. We do not know whether these factors will persist in coming quarters.''

The company also announced that its $15 million revolving line of credit has been renewed by its bank, through Jan. 31, 1991.

ADAC Laboratories, with headquarters in Milpitas, designs, manufactures, markets and services medical imaging and information products worldwide.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Jegeroil Corp. (NASDAQ:JEGR) announced Thursday the completion of its Falkner Parker 36-1 natural gas well located in Woods County, Okla.

The successful drilling of the Falkner Parker 36-1 well on July 31, produced, after a 16-hour open flow test, 1,516,000 MCFD of gas. With a projected average sales price of $2 MCF (which is expected to increase substantially with the curtailment of worldwide oil production) monthly revenues from this well are estimated at $90,000. Life of the well is projected to be 30 years.

Jegeroil has scheduled a total of five wells to be drilled on its Falkner Prospect. The remaining three wells are set to be drilled at three-month intervals. Geological studies indicate these wells will be as productive as the Falkner Pettit 35-1 and Falkner Parker 36-1, each capable of producing a minimum of 1 million cubic feet of gas per day.

Total anticipated monthly gross revenues from all five wells are $300,000. Jegeroil is the operator of these wells.

Jegeroil has invested $2 million of its own funds in high potential revenue producing oil/gas leaseholds, supported by geological and economic evaluations. Jegeroil is now converting these assets into revenues. Jegeroil operates and has working interests in 22 oil/gas wells. Estimates of oil/gas reserves from these wells are approximately $20 million.

Management has positioned the company to profit from present market opportunities such as the present crisis in the Middle East and rising

oil/gas prices and plans to accelerate its drilling operations as fast as prudent financing will permit. Jegeroil continues to acquire new prospects and also participates in joint ventures with other established oil and gas companies.

Jegeroil's current and projected revenues reflect escalating growth, but have not been updated to reflect current sharp price rises in both oil and gas. With a current undervalued market price, Jegeroil represents an excellent investment.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The Gap Inc. Thursday reported sales of $114 million for the four-week period ended Aug. 4, an increase of 36 percent over sales of $84 million for the comparable period ended Aug. 5, 1989.

The company's comparable store sales increased 28 percent in July compared to an increase of 8 percent a year ago.

Sales of $807 million for the 26 weeks ended Aug. 4 represent an increase of 26 percent over sales of $641 million for the like period of 1989. Year-to-date comparable store sales increased 19 percent compared to a 16 percent increase in the first half of 1989.

As of Aug. 4, The Gap Inc. operated 1,020 stores compared to 937 at Aug. 5 1989, an increase of 9 percent.

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ROCHESTER, NH (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - In an effort to further extend its international direct sales, technical support and distribution services, Cabletron Systems Inc. (NYSE:CS) Thursday announced the opening of its Australian subsidiary -- Cabletron Systems, PTY.LTD.

The Australian subsidiary will provide Pacific Rim customers with a direct contact for the purchase of the company's full line of local area networking solutions, including transceivers, repeaters and bridges,

Remote LANVIEW network management software, diagnostic test instruments and the Multi Media Access Center (MMAC) -- an intelligent network hub that enables disparate media to be interconnected, producing one cohesive network.

''The addition of the Australian subsidiary to the Cabletron family allows us to establish a solid direct sales and service presence in a key market. With products like the MMAC becoming universally adopted, Cabletron will continue to expand to provide international customers with the level of service that our domestic customers have grown accustomed to,'' said Craig Benson, Cabletron's chairman and chief operating officer.

Cabletron Systems Inc., headquartered in Rochester, N.H., develops and manufacturers networking products based on its Integrated Network Architecture, a strategy which provides standards-based products and services necessary to build and manage a global, distributed platform of interconnected local area networks. The company currently has a worldwide installed base exceeding 1.3 million nodes.

Cabletron's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CS. The company recently reported record revenue of $104.7 million and earnings of $22.3 million for the fiscal year 1990.

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AMSTELVEEN, THE NETHERLANDS (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - On Friday, July 27 at Central Office, KLM signed the contract regulating the delivery of two Boeing 747-400F freighters in January and September 1994 respectively.

In addition, KLM has taken an option on two more dedicated cargo aircraft of this type. The order is worth approximately NLG 600 million.

Between now and 1995, KLM expects air cargo traffic to increase by about 8.5% every year. A similar annual development is anticipated for some years to come.

As a result of this growth expectation, the need for freighters on a number of routes has made itself felt. In order to meet this demand, KLM decided at the end of last year to purchase dedicated freighters for the first time since wide-body aircraft were introduced into the fleet.

For the record, this does not mean that KLM is abandoning its successful ''Combi concept'', implemented in 1975. On many routes, the Boeing 747-Combi will continue to be the aircraft most capable of achieving the

optimal balance between the demand for cargo and passenger capacity.

The transportation of airfreight is one of KLM's two core activities and was recently allocated its own corporate division, ''Cargo''.

The acquisition of these two freighters forms part of the considerable investment program upon which KLM Cargo has embarked, valued at NLG 1 billion. This program involves a significant expansion of cargo handling facilities at Schiphol Airport. In 1995, KLM will have at its disposal about 80,000 meters of floor surface for cargo handling purposes at Schiphol.

The arrival of the Boeing 747-400F and the expansion program underway at its homebase, will enable KLM to better gear its product and services to the requirements of the global air cargo market.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Gensia Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ:GNSA) Thursday released financial results for the second fiscal quarter ending June 30, 1990, and reported on progress in the clinical development of its two cardiovascular drugs in Phase 2 clinical trials.

Gensia reported a net loss of $3.2 million, or 29 cents per share compared with a loss of $2.4 million, or 34 cents per share in the 1989 second quarter. An initial public offering of 2.8 million shares of common stock in June 1990 increased outstanding shares to 13.1 million and raised net proceeds of approximately $28 million.

Interest income was $447,000 in the second quarter of 1990 compared with $108,000 in the second quarter of 1989.

Research and development expenses were $3 million in the 1990 second quarter and $1.9 million in the comparable 1989 period. General and administrative expenses were $619,000 and $562,000 in the 1990 and 1989 second quarters, respectively.

''The company believes it has a strong financial position to support its research and development programs,'' said David F. Hale, president and chief executive officer. The company's cash and cash equivalents balance was $43.6 million at June 30, 1990.

Gensia is currently conducting Phase 2 clinical trials with its lead product Arasine (acadesine, formerly ARA-100) in the United States, United

Kingdom and the Netherlands. Arasine is an intravenous drug under development by Gensia for use in hospitals for the treatment of acute cardiovascular ischemic disorders (caused by a lack of oxygenated blood in the heart's tissues).

In addition, Gensia will expand Phase 2 clinical testing of its ESA System currently underway in Germany, to the United States and United Kingdom. The ESA System is designed to enhance the diagnosis and evaluation of coronary artery disease through controlled, pharmacological stress of the heart.

''These trials are scheduled to begin in the fourth quarter of this year '' said Hale.

Gensia is a biopharmaceutical company formed to discover, develop, manufacture and market novel pharmaceutical products for the diagnosis and treatment of human diseases.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Gensia Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ:GNSA) Thursday announced the start of Phase 2 clinical trials with Arasine (acadesine, formerly ARA-100) in patients undergoing coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) surgery.

Four United States medical centers are initiating clinical trials, accoring to David F. Hale, president and chief executive officer.

''Based on preclinical studies, Gensia believes that Arasine may significantly reduce ischemic damage associated with CABG surgery and improve post-operative cardiac function,'' Hale said. ''These preclinical results, in addition to our previous Phase 1 and 2 clinical trials for safety and tolerance, have formed the basis for expanding our clinical program to patients undergoing CABG surgery.''

According to the American Heart Association, there were approximately 330,000 CABG surgeries performed in 1987 in the United States. CABG is performed to alleviate blockages in the coronary arteries generally caused by progressive atherosclerosis. Such blockages can lead to severe chest pain (angina) and in a large number of patients, death from heart attacks.

The objective of CABG surgery is to improve blood flow, relieve symptoms (angina) and prolong life.

During CABG surgery, the supply of blood to the heart is temporarily cut off, resulting in ischemia (lack of oxygenated blood to tissues) which may cause tissue damage in the heart and post-operative impairment of cardiac function. Gensia believes that Arasine, an intravenous drug, may reduce the tissue damage caused by ischemia and may improve cardiac function with the goal of improving patient outcome.

In pre-clinical research, Arasine has been shown to regulate and enhance adenosine release during ischemic events. Adenosine is a naturally occurring purine which, when released locally at the site of ischemia, is thought to play an important role in the body's natural cellular mechanisms for protection from ischemic damage.

The Phase 2 clinical trials on patients undergoing CABG will be ongoing for the remainder of the year.

Gensia is a biopharmaceutical company formed to discover, develop, manufacture and market novel pharmaceutical products for the diagnosis and treatment of human diseases.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (AUG. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Neiman Marcus Group Inc. (NYSE:NMG) Thursday reported the following preliminary revenues:

	4 weeks ended		
	Aug. 4, 1990-a	Aug. 3, 1989-b	% Chg.
Total revenues	$ 116.0 million	$ 105.5 million	+10.0%
Comparable revenues	$ 112.5 million	$ 105.5 million	+ 6.6%

	53 weeks ended		
	Aug. 4, 1990-a	Aug. 3, 1989-b	% Chg.
Total revenues	$1,689.5 million	$1,491.1 million	+13.3%
Comparable revenues	$1,620.9 million	$1,491.1 million	+ 8.7%

Revenues include Horchow Mail Order Inc., from its Oct. 1, 1988, date of acquisition.

-a Fiscal year ended Aug. 4, 1990 and is a 53-week period.

-b For comparative purposes, prior year periods have been restated to conform to current year calendar periods.

The Neiman Marcus Group is a leading specialty retailer. Its three

divisions are Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman, and Contempo Casuals.

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - IG Laboratories (NASDAQ:IGLI) announced Thursday that it has signed an exclusive licensing agreement for the breakthrough fetal cell sampling technniques developed by Dr. Diana Bianchi and others at Children's Medical Center, Boston.

The technology has demonstrated the ability to collect fetal cell samples directly from a pregnant woman's blood rather than through the process of amniocentesis which poses a risk to the proprietary technology and will work with Dr. Bianchi's laboratory to develop methods for the broad application of the research. The Children's Medical Center has filed for patent rights covering the technology.

The new technique has the potential of testing for genetic defects in fetuses without the risk of spontaneous miscarriage associated with amniocentesis or chorionic villus sampling, the current methods used for fetal cell sampling. Currently, genetic screening is normally recommended only for women in high risk categories, particularly women over 35 years of age.

However, the majority of infants with genetic abnormalities are born to women who do not fall into the high risk categories and are therefore not tested. For example, over 80 percent of Down Syndrome births are to women under 35. The new process developed at the Children's Medical Center holds the potential that all pregnant women could be tested through genetic testing services offered by IG Laboratories.

Peter Lanciano, president of IG Laboratories stated, ''Dr. Bianchi's research has the potential of significantly expanding the use of prenatal testing by eliminating the risk associated with fetal cell sampling. We are very pleased to be the exclusive licensee of this critical new technology.'' Lanciano noted that several years of research would be needed before the technology would be generally available.

Dr. Bianchi's pioneering work, which was published in The Proceedings of The National Academy of Sciences in May, 1990, involved isolating fetal red blood cells from maternal blood.

She was then able to determine the sex of the fetus by examining the DNA contained in the fetal cells. The cells were obtained by a routine maternal blood sample that posed no risk to the fetus. It is believed

that these methods can be made applicable to testing for a broad spectrum of genetic disorders by combining this fetal cell separation technology with technology developed at IG Laboratories.

IG Laboratories, headquartered in Framingham, Mass., provides genetic testing services to hospitals, clinical laboratories, genetic centers, physicians and health maintenance organizations located throughout the United States. The company is focused on prenatal genetic testing that enables physicians to screen for and detect major genetic abnormalities.

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ORLANDO, FL (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Stone Golabuk/Chernoff Silver & Associates, Orlando, Fla., has been selected as the advertising-public relations agency for Systeme Corp., the leading manufacturer of Local Area Network-based branch automation software for the financial industry.

Systeme Corp. is a national, full-service software company headquartered in Maitland, Fla.

Stone Golabuk/Chernoff Silver is researching and developing a comprehensive 18-month marketing program for Systeme Corp. which will include advertising, public relations support and development of collateral, sales support and corporate identification materials.

Kate deBorde, Systeme Corp. marketing director, said Stone Golabuk/Chernoff Silver was selected for the agency's ''breadth of knowledge and years of experience, not only in banking, but in other industries as well.

''Their experience in other areas will bring new ideas to the table for Systeme Corp.'' deBorde said the 18-month marketing plan will be the vehicle used to ''bring a 'new' Systeme Corp. to the banking software market.''

Stone Golabuk/Chernoff Silver is owned by Chernoff/Silver and Associates, a $24 million full-service advertising, sales promotion, and public relations firm based in Columbia, S.C. The Orlando office represents approximately $6 million in billings. In addition to Columbia and Orlando Chernoff/Silver has offices in Hilton Head, S.C. and Houston.

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The TJX Companies (NYSE:TJX) Thursday issued the following sales report:

	1990	1989	Percent Change
4 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990 and 4 weeks ended Aug. 5, 1989	$162,272,000	$140,747,000	15.3%
26 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990 and 26 weeks ended Aug. 5, 1989	$1,100,089,000	$978,448,000	12.4%

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Steven Wishner, 508/390-2626

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BASKING RIDGE, NJ (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Science Management Corp. (ASE: SMG) Thursday declared a quarterly dividend of 2 1/2 cents per share payable on Sept. 19, to shareholders of record on Aug. 29, according to James A. Skidmore Jr., chairman and chief executive officer.

Science Management Corp., headquartered here, is a leading international professional services firm providing expertise in three major areas: management and human resources; information technology and engineering and technology.

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BENTONVILLE, Ark. (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Wal-Mart Stores Inc. (NYSE/PSE:WMT), Thursday reported sales of $7,543,510,000 for the second quarter and $14,311,705,000 for the six months ended July 31, 1990, a 25 percent gain over the second quarter and six months period a year earlier.

Net income for the quarter increased 25 percent to $272,931,000, as compared with $219,048,000 for the same quarter in 1989. Fully diluted net income per share increased to 24 cents from 19 cents in the 1989 quarter. Net income for the six months increased 26 percent to

$526,374,000, or 46 cents per share, as compared with $417,337,000, or 37 cents per share, for the corresponding six months of last year.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Overseas Shipholding Group, Inc. (OSG) Thursday reported that net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, increased to $18,822,000, or $.54 per share, from $13,696,000, or $.38 per share, for the second quarter of 1989.

For the first half of 1990, net income increased to $31,957,000, or $.92 per share, compared with $26,763,000 or $.74 per share, for the comparable 1989 period.

Gains from disposal of vessels amounted to $.31 per share in the first half of 1990, all in the second quarter, reflecting the sale of one 93,000 deadweight ton (dwt) tanker. This compares with $.04 per share from disposal of vessels in the first half ($.03 per share in the second quarter) of 1989.

Early in the third quarter, the company took delivery of a 121,000 dwt dry bulk carrier, completing its current 12-vessel newbuilding program.

OSG, one of the world's largest bulk shipping companies, owns and operates a fleet of 68 vessels aggregating 6.4 million dwt.

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Alan M. Struthers Jr., 212/869-1222

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VALLEY FORGE, PA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Jerry L. Malis, chairman of the board and president of Valley Forge Scientific Corp. (NASDAQ:VLFG, VLFGW) (Boston Stock Exchange:VLF, VLFW), Thursday announced its revenue and earnings for the third quarter and the nine months ended June 30, 1990.

Malis commented that the statements of earnings for the three months and nine months ended June 30, 1990 are not necessarily indicative of results for the full year.

The increase in research and development expenses reflect increased expenditures on certain ongoing projects and new products which were not covered by funding agreements with the company's principal customer.

In the future, the company anticipates funding its research and development with current assets and revenue from operations. The company anticipates introducing certain products under development into the market in the suceeding three quarters.

Valley Forge Scientific Corp.
Financial Highlights
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Nine Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$ 453,604	$ 279,778	$ 1,273,639	$ 633,145
Operating income	213,644	116,983	631,402	429,770
Net earnings	53,182	7,657	189,586	97,577
Primary earnings per common share	.008	.002	.027	.021
Fully diluted earnings per share	.007	.002	.026	.021
Primary common shares outstanding	7,000,000	4,685,734	6,953,518	4,685,734
Fully diluted common shares outstanding	7,259,227	4,685,734	7,212,745	4,685,734

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PLANO, TX (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Eljer Industries, Inc. (NYSE: ELJ) Thursday reported second quarter earnings of $2.44 million, or 35 cents per share, compared with pro forma earnings of $2.95 million, or 42 cents per share in the second quarter of 1989.

Results for 1989 are reported on a pro forma basis due to the company's spin off from Household International in April 1989. Revenue for the second quarter was $114.9 million, up 8 percent from 1989's second quarter revenue of $106.1 million.

For the first six months of 1990, earnings were $3.52 million, or 50 cents per share, compared with earnings of $4.44 million, or 63 cents per share in the year-ago period. Revenue for the first half of 1990 was $224.0 million, an 8 percent increase over revenue of $207.0 million in the first six months of 1989.

Scott Arbuckle, president of Eljer said, ''While second quarter earnings are down slightly from last year, we are pleased to report increased sales despite the current economic softness, with housing starts down 17 percent from the prior year. Although sales in our traditional plumbingware business reflect the depressed industry conditions, we made solid market share gains in other areas of our plumbingware business and achieved significant sales increases in our retail fixture product lines.

''Additionally, while the markets for heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) products in North America are weak, Eljer's HVAC sales and earnings increased significantly during the quarter. The HVAC North America (Selkirk/Dry) operation significantly expanded its sales through the introduction of new products and market share gains. Selkirk Europe continues to set record sales and earnings for the sixth consecutive year.''

The company said the quarter's results were impacted by significant scrap costs caused by low yields at its Salem, Ohio, cast iron plant as the company brings its new automated foundry process on-line. Also impacting second quarter earnings were significant increases in bad debt expense related to the economy. The company expects to continue to increase bad debt reserves due to the impact of this weak market on accounts receivable. Other factors affecting the second quarter included increased selling costs and increased interest expense due to a higher level of short-term borrowings.

''There are no present indications that housing starts will pick up by year-end. Eljer's earnings in the second half will be somewhat dependent on housing related markets and accounts receivable issues arising from 1989 programs and the 1990 economy. The plumbingware market share gains and continued strength in our HVAC business in North America and Europe have tended to balance the impact of the plumbing market weakness,'' Arbuckle concluded.

Eljer Industries, Inc. is a leading manufacturer and marketer of high-quality building products, including plumbing, heating and ventilating products for residential and commercial construction, remodeling and repair, and do-it-yourself markets in North America and Europe.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Sears Merchandise Group (NYSE:S)

Thursday reported that its gross revenues from continuing operations for the four weeks ended Aug. 4 were 3.7 percent higher than 1989.

Comparable store sales were 3.1 percent above last year, Sears said.

Gross revenues were $2,520,195,540 compared with $2,429,358,825 for the same period last year.

For the 26 weeks ended Aug. 4, Sears Merchandise Group revenues were 2.5 percent above 1989. Gross revenues for the period were $16,094,366,293 compared with $15,705,069,557 a year ago. Comparable store sales for the 26 weeks were 2.7 percent above last year.

	Sears Merchandise Group	
	4 Weeks	26 Weeks
1990	$ 2,520,195,540	$ 16,094,366,293
1989	2,429,358,825	15,705,069,557
Increase	90,836,715	389,296,736
Percent Change From		
Continuing Operations	3.7	2.5
Comp. Retail Store Increase	3.1	2.7

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PEABODY, MA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - PictureTel Corp. (NASDAQ:PCTL) announced Thursday that co-founder Brian Hinman - former vice president of engineering - has assumed the newly created position of vice president of corporate business development in anticipation of his planned departure to form a new venture.

Under the terms of an agreement with PictureTel, Hinman will leave the company during the first quarter of 1991. Hinman's planned company will design and manufacture various products - some of which will be based on technology licensed to him by PictureTel - but will not compete with PictureTel's products.

In his new role, Hinman will report to Les Strauss, PictureTel's chief financial officer. Together, they will evaluate numerous business and technical opportunities that are presented to PictureTel.

The company also announced that Mark Mayes will succeed Hinman as vice president of engineering. Mayes joins PictureTel from the Apollo Division of Hewlett-Packard where he was senior director of workstation development and was responsible for low-end and mid-range workstation product

development.

Prior to Apollo, Mayes was chief engineer and technical director with LTX Corp. where he developed advanced semiconductor test systems. Mayes has also held positions with Whitesmiths Ltd. and Genrad. In addition, Mayes served as assistant professor of computer science at Boston University where he graduated summa cum laude.

PictureTel Corp. develops, manufactures and markets software-upgradeable visual telecommunication products for use with public and private digital networks. It is the world's leading videoconferencing systems and codec vendor based on shipments during the last 18 months.

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MIAMI (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Viral Research Corp. announced Thursday that its registration statement on Form S-1 (SEC File No. 33-33895) was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on Monday, Aug. 6.

The registration statement registers, among other securities, 84,557,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of the company's outstanding warrants. The company's ''B'' Warrants are exercisable until Dec. 4 at 5 cents per share, and the ''C'' Warrants are exercisable from Dec. 4, 1990 until Dec. 4, 1991 at 8 cents per share.

Pursuant to the registration statement, Advanced Viral Research is offering a right of rescission to shareholders who exercised 6,766,350 ''B'' Warrants for 6,766,350 shares of common stock between May 1, 1987 and July 1, 1988.

Such shares were issued in violation of the prospectus delivery provisions of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

A prospectus describing the above offering and a copy of the offer of rescission may be obtained ''on written request'' from Bernard Friedland, president, at Advanced Viral Research Corp., Dupont Plaza Center, 300 Biscayne Boulevard Way, Suite 724, Miami, Fla. 33131, or from the company's transfer agent, American Stock Transfer & Trust Co., 6201 15th Ave., 3rd Floor, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11219, Attention: Shareholder Relation department.

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FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 9) BUSIENSS WIRE - Union Pacific Resources Co. (UPRC) of Fort Worth, the oil, gas and minerals subsidiary of Union Pacific Corp. (NYSE:UNP) of Bethlehem, Pa., Thursday announced test results of a Gulf of Mexico gas discovery on South Timbalier Block 214 South Addition, offshore Louisiana.

The OCS-G 7773 No. A-7 Well, which is the first well on Block 214, tested at a rate of 15 million cubic feet (mmcf) of gas and 72 barrels of condensate per day from 48 feet of perforations in Pliocene sands. The test was on 19/64 inch choke with 6,750 pounds per square inch flowing tubing pressure.

Union Pacific Resources Co., the operator, has a 25 percent working interest, as does Pogo Producing Co. of Houston and Oryx Energy Co. of Dallas. Wolverine Exploration Co. of Fort Worth has a 23.125 percent working interest and Ensco Resources Company of Houston a 1.875 percent interest.

The combined test results from six wells in the South Timbalier field show the capability of producing 83 mmcf of gas and 360 barrels of condensate per day when the platform, located approximately 100 miles southwest of New Orleans, comes on stream in late August.

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RYE, NY (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Melville Corp., a specialty retailer of apparel, prescription drugs, health and beauty aids, footwear, toys and household furnishings, Thursday reported retail store sales for the fiscal month and seven month periods ended Aug. 4 and the comparable periods last year.

Retail store sales for the four weeks ended Aug. 4 were $554,075,000 an increase of 9.7% over sales of $505,200,000 for the four week period last year.

Retail store sales for the seven month period ended Aug. 4, increased 11.2% to $4,255,309,000 compared to $3,826,645,000 for the comparable

period last year.

As of Aug. 4, there were 6,947 stores and leased departments in operation, an increase of 2.8% from the 1989 total of 6,761.

Melville specialty retail chains, with stores located across the country, include Marshalls, the off-price brand name apparel chain; Chess King, the young men's apparel chain; Wilsons, in leather apparel; Bob's, the casual family apparel and footwear chain; Accessory Lady, the quality fashion accessory stores; CVS, the prescription drugs, health and beauty aids chain; Freddy's, the ''deep discount'' drug and sundries stores; Thom McAn Fan Club and the Meldisco Leased Department division in footwear; the Kay-Bee toy chain; Linens 'N Things, the brand name linens and domestics chain; This End Up, the casual furniture stores; and Prints Plus, the prints and wall decor stores.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - River Oaks Bancshares has signed a definitive agreement to be purchased by Central Bancshares of the South Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CBSS), for $44 million in cash and preferred stock, executives involved in the transaction announced Thursday.

The transaction will affiliate River Oaks into Houston-based Compass Bancshares, a holding company owned by $4.8 billion asset Central, headquartered in Birmingham.

Central's acquisition of River Oaks Bancshares marks an important advance toward the holding company's goal of becoming the premier, statewide, personal-service bank in Texas.

Compass Bancshares will emerge from this transaction and another pending acquisition with total assets in Texas of $853 million, compared with $377 million in assets today.

River Oaks Bancshares is comprised of two principal subsidiaries -- River Oaks Bank, Houston's fourth largest, with $403 million in total assets, $355 million in deposits and $24.5 million in capital, and River Oaks Trust Co. with $686 million in trust assets under administration, $4 million in annual revenue and capital at $6.3 million.

According to Central Bancshares Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Harry Brock, acquiring River Oaks furthers the holding company's Texas strategy.

Under the agreement, Compass will purchase all the outstanding shares of River Oaks for $17.6 million in cash and $26.4 million in stated value of Central Bancshares preferred stock having a coupon rate of 8 percent. Up to $3 million of the purchase price will be paid into an escrow account subject to the final disposition of certain loans and real estate properties.

The transaction, which has been approved by both holding company's boards of directors, is subject to approval by the appropriate regulatory agencies and shareholders of River Oaks. Lyon is the major shareholder, owning 62 percent of the stock, and will vote his shares in favor of the merger. The transaction is expected to be completed early in 1991.

River Oaks will be the ninth Texas bank to become a part of Compass Bancshares including the acquisition of $50 million-asset Plaza National Bank in Dallas. With the addition of River Oaks, Compass will serve Texas from 12 offices.

Shares of Central Bancshares of the South Inc. common stock are traded in the NASDAQ national market system under the symbol CBSS.

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WORBURN, MA (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Easel Corp. Thursday announced the initial public offering of 1,600,000 shares of its common stock at $8.00 per share.

Of the shares being offered, 900,000 are offered by the company and 700,000 shares are offered by certain stockholders.

The offering is being managed by Robertson, Stephens & Co. and Donaldson Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp. Net proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes, working capital and possible acquisitions.

Easel Corp. is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''EASL.''

The company develops, markets and supports software products that enable programmers to develop business applications featuring graphical user interfaces. The company's EASEL product is a graphical application development environment that enables programmers to design, prototype and develop the personal workstation-based graphical user interface and communications components of these applications.

Applications developed with EASEL provide the end user with easy-to-use graphical displays and permit the user's IBM personal computer, PS/2 or compatible to work in cooperation with other computing resources including mainframes, minicomputers, servers and local- and wide-area networks. The company's software products and the applications developed using these products currently run on either the DOS or OS/2 Presentation Manager operating systems.

The company has announced support for Microsoft Windows and plans to release a version of the EASEL product in late 1990 which can be used to generate Windows applications.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Petroleum Corp. (NASDAQ:AIPN) announced Thursday that it is in the process of drilling an exploration well to test the Puli Anticline on its Puli concession area in Colombia, South America.

The Puli concession in which the company owns 45 percent working interest, comprises 94,000 acres of land in the Middle Magdalena River basin 50 air miles west of Bogota.

The Puli anticline prospect is located 15 KM Northeast of the company's Toqui-Toqui oil field which is the only heretofore proven oil field in the Puli concession.

The selection of the drill site in the Puli anticline area was based on a detailed seismic study indicating the existence of potential major structures at depths of 3,300 ft. and 5,000 ft.

American International Petroleum Corp. is engaged in refining, oil and natural gas exploration, production and transportation, and marketing activities in Louisiana, Texas and Kentucky, as well as Colombia, South America.

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CORAL GABLES, FL (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - BLOC Development Corp. (NASDAQ:BDEV) Thursday announced record quarterly revenues, pre-tax and net earnings.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, revenues rose 230 percent to $7.13 million as compared to $2.16 million for the comparable period in 1989.

Pre-tax earnings for the second quarter of 1990 jumped 272 percent to $1.21 million compared to $325,000 and net earnings surged 319 percent to $808,000 (4 cents per share on 19.8 million shares) for the current period compared to $193,000 (1 cent per share on 15.8 million shares) for the comparable period in 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues, pre-tax earnings and net earnings were $12.6 million, $2.16 million and $1.48 million (8 cents per share on 19.3 million shares) compared to $3.68 million, $334,000 and $199,000 (1 cent per share on 15.3 million shares) for the same period last year.

The company's second quarter 1990 revneues and net earnings rose 30 percent and 21 percent, respectively, from first quarter 1990 levels. These gains reflect increased sales of 14 PC software titles in national distribution, continued corporate licensing of the F3 Forms Automation System, initial sales of the F3 ProDesigner and Accountant Inc. Professional software products, expanded TigerSoftware circulation in excess of 3 million catalogues (including computer magazine inserts) and efforts of the company's business automation group.

Based in Coral Gables, Fla., BLOC develops, publishes and markets business personal productivity and information management software products for the IBM PC, PS/2, IBM compatible and Apple MacIntosh markets. In addition the company provides business automation services to small and mid-sized businesses.

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COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated Stores Corp. (NYSE:CNS) Thursday reported that for the sixth fiscal month ended Aug. 4, 1990, retail sales totaled $59.4 million, up 19 percent from $49.9 million

a year earlier.

Consolidated Stores also reported that sales for comparable stores open at least two years rose 18.6 percent in July. Retail sales for the first six months of fiscal 1990 were $290.3 million, up 13.1 percent from $256.7 million a year earlier, while comparable sales for five months were up 7.5 percent.

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WALTHAM, MASS. (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Meditrust (NYSE:MT) announced Thursday the completion of permanent mortgage financing of approximately $40,000,000 for six long-term care facilities.

With a total of approximately 750 beds, the six recently completed facilities are located in Bourne and New Bedford, Massachusetts and Farmington, Waterford, Bridgeport and Bristol, Connecticut.

In addition, Meditrust announced the execution of development agreements for the financing of three additional healthcare facilities representing approximately $22,000,000 of investments. The three development/loan agreements provide for Meditrust to fund the mortgage financing upon completion for a 170 bed long-term care facility in Reno, Nevada, a 120 bed long-term care facility in Hempsfield Township, Pennsylvania and a 60 bed rehabilitation hospital in Kokomo, Indiana.

Meditrust, with headquarters in Waltham, Massachusetts, is the nation's largest Healthcare Real Estate Investment Trust, holding investments in 105 healthcare facilities with 17 different operators in 24 states totaling approximately $750 million of investments.

The company specializes in the sub-acute sector of the healthcare industry including investments in rehabilitation hospitals, long-term care facilities, alcohol and substance abuse treatment centers, psychiatric hospitals and retirement living communities. A.M.A. Advisory Corp., a Delaware Corporation is engaged as the Advisor to Meditrust.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) announced

that it lowered its base price for French Process zinc oxide by five and one-half cents per pound, effective August 8.

The new price is 84.5 cents per pound, F.O.B. the company's Hillsboro, Illinois, Plant, with up to $1.00 per hundredweight freight allowance on truckload quantities.

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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CONCORD, NH (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Community Bankshares Inc. (NASDAQ: CBNH) Thursday announced net income of $472,000, or $.28 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

These earnings, combined with the net income of $242,000, or $.14 per share, reported during the prior quarter, reduces the company's loss for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 to $7,354,000, or $4.38 per share. For the quarter ended June 30, I989, the company reported a loss of $1,424,000, or $.84 per share, but earned $194,000, or $.11 per share, for thc fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

As previously announced, the company's loss for this fiscal year resulted from providing $10,300,000 into the allowance for possible loan losses during the first two quarters. An additional $100,000 was provided to the allowance during each of the third and fourth quarters of the year, bringing the total amount provided for the year to $10,500,000.

The prior year's provision to the allowance during the fourth quarter and for the year amounted to $3,132,000 and $4,0I7,000, respectively.

At June 30, 1990, the company's allowance for possible loan losses was $6,264,000 after net charge-offs of $2,406,000 for the fourth quarter. The allowance represented 2.80% of total loans and 67.9% of non-performing loans, which amounted to $9,222,000 at June 30, 1990. Total non-performing assets at June 30, 1990 stood at $18,727,000. Stockholders' equity totalled $20,370,000 at June 30, 1990, or 7.02% of total asset+ of $290,299,000.

The company's net interest margin was 2.94% for the fourth quarter and

2.93% for the most recent fiscal year. Net interest margin for the comparable periods of the prior year was 2.99% and 3.43%, respectively.

Total interest and dividend income during the fourth quarter decreased by 2.1% over the same period of the prior year, but increased by 3.9% for the fiscal year. Non-interest expense increased by 3.0% in the fourth quarter over the same period of the prior year, and by 13.2% for the fiscal year. This increase was due primarily to the increased costs of resolving non-performing assets and of maintaining real estate acquired through foreclosure.

Community Bankshares Inc. is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symlol ''CBNH''. The company's principal subsidiary, Concord Savings Bank, is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and offers a wide range of consumer and commercial financial services throuqhout New Hampshire with three offices in Concord, N.H.

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DUBLIN, Ohio (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - ACCEL International Corp. today announced continued growth in earnings for both the second quarter and the first half of 1990 compared with the same periods in 1989.

Net income for the three months ended June 30, 1990, was $1,832,000, compared with $1,490,000 for the second quarter of 1989, representing an increase of 23.0 percent. Per share earnings for the second quarter of 1990 improved to 37 cents from the comparable period's 29 cents. All per share figures have been adjusted for the 5 percent common stock dividend paid on June 4, 1990.

Gross written premiums for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $36,920,000, compared with $28,514,000 for the same quarter in 1989, representing an increase of 29.5 percent. Second quarter gross revenues represent the highest quarterly revenue figures in ACCEL's history.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net income was $3,573,000, compared with $2,722,000 for the same period in 1989, representing an increase of 31.3 percent. Net income per share was 71 cents and 53 cents for the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Gross written premiums for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were $61,129,000 as compared with $51,136,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1989, representing an increase of 19.5 percent.

R. Max Williamson, chairman, president and chief executive officer of ACCEL, reported that, ''Second quarter net income was consistent with the 1990 profit objectives established by ACCEL's management. Furthermore, the positive second quarter results strengthen the solid earnings growth pattern that ACCEL has demonstrated in recent years.''

He also noted that ACCEL's 29 percent premium revenue growth in the second quarter of 1990, compared with 1989, favorably reflected on ACCEL's continued growth and diversification in both the medical product segment and the property casualty product line. He commented that, ''With the year to date results significantly ahead of last year we are encouraged that the results for the remainder of 1990 will continue to be favorable.''

ACCEL International Corp. is a Dublin-based holding company that provides specialty insurance products and services through its life and casualty subsidiaries, operating throughout the United States.

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FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Pacific Resources Co. (UPRC) of Fort Worth, the oil, gas and minerals subsidiary of Union Pacific Corp. (NYSE:UNP) of Bethlehem, Pa., Thursday announced test results of a Gulf of Mexico gas discovery on South Timbalier Area South Addition, Block 214 offshore Louisiana.

The OCS-G 7773 No. A-7 Well, which is the first well on Block 214, tested at a rate of 15 million cubic feet (mmcf) of gas and 72 barrels of condensate per day from 48 feet of perforations in Pliocene sands. The test was on 19/64 inch choke with 6,750 pounds per square inch flowing tubing pressure.

Union Pacific Resources Co., the operator, has a 25 percent working interest, as does Pogo Producing Co. of Houston and Oryx Energy Co. of Dallas. Wolverine Exploration Co. of Fort Worth has a 23.125 percent working interest and Ensco Resources Co. of Houston a 1.875 percent interest.

The combined test results from six wells from UPRC's platform on South Timbalier Block 198, show the capability of producing 83 mmcf of gas and 360 barrels of condensate per day when the platform, located approximately 100 miles southwest of New Orleans, comes on stream in late August.

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COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Goal Systems International Inc. Thursday announced that B. Wade Monroe, 48, has accepted the position of vice president and chief financial officer with the company.

Monroe, previously CFO for Computerland Corp., brings more than 20 years of experience in finance, administration, treasury, planning, systems, public reporting and controllership with organizations including ITT, PepsiCo, UCCEL and Datapoint. He is expected to join the company on or around Sept. 1.

''As a key financial officer with other fast-growing technology companies, Wade has consistently developed systems and solutions which supported the revenue-producing divisions of the business, thus supporting further growth,'' said Goal President and CEO David C. Wetmore. ''At the same time, he has instituted the controls necessary to monitor this growth while communicating on a regular basis with outside investors and analysts. He is exactly the kind of person we were looking for when we commenced our search more than three months ago, and we are looking forward to having him on board.''

Goal Systems (NASDAQ:GOAL) designs, develops and markets software products grouped into two product lines. The DCM Division consists of a broad range of systems software products for IBM and compatible mainframe computers which allow users to manage, automate, monitor and analyze the use, cost and performance of their data processing resources. The Information Technology Division (ITD) product line consists of performance support products including computer-based training and computer-based reference software, along with associated courseware and professional services.

The company reported revenue of $86.6 million for its fiscal year ended Jan. 31, 1990.

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NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas Co. (NYSE:FMP), an affiliate of Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (NYSE:FTX), announced Thursday that, as operator, it has initiated natural gas production at East Cameron Block 311 with sales averaging 35 million cubic feet of natural gas per day.

Six successful development wells have been drilled and completed in a Pleistocene sand from the FMP East Cameron platform, located offshore Louisiana in the Gulf of Mexico approximately 198 miles southwest of New Orleans in 200 feet of water.

Working interest in the 5,000-acre East Cameron Block 311 is owned 89.3 percent by FMP; 6.7 percent by Continental Land & Fur Co. Inc.; and 4 percent by others.

FMP explores for, develops, and produces oil and natural gas offshore and onshore in the United States, where it is one of the largest independent oil and natural gas companies in terms of production and proved reserves. Exploration activities are also conducted in the international arena.

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OAK BROOK, IL (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - McDonald's Corporation Thursday announced the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend of 8 1/2 cents per share on its common stock.

The dividend is payable on September 18 to common shareholders of record at the close of business on August 31. McDonald's has paid 58 consecutive quarterly common stock cash dividends and increased the dividend 16 times since the first one was paid in 1976.

McDonald's Corporation common stock is traded on the New York, Midwest and Pacific Stock Exchanges in the U.S. and internationally, on those in Frankfurt and Munich, Germany; Toronto, Canada; Paris, France; and Tokyo, Japan.

McDonald's is the world's leading foodservice organization, with more than 11,300 restaurants in 52 countries. Seventy-five percent of McDonald's restaurant businesses are locally owned and operated by independent entrepreneurs.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Serv-Tech Inc., (NASDAQ:STEC) reported second quarter net income of $987,000, more than double the $444,000 net income before an extraordinary credit reported for the same period last year.

Net income per share was 22 cents in the second quarter 1990, 57 percent above the 14 cents per share, before extraordinary credits, reported for the second quarter 1989.

Including extraordinary credits for tax benefits from net operating loss carryforwards, net income was $675,000, or 21 cents a share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1989. There are no extraordinary credits available in 1990. Average shares outstanding for the second quarter increased to 4,444,982 at June 30, 1990, from 3,409,996 a year earlier.

Revenues were $10,277,000 for the second quarter 1990, compared with $10,353,000 for the period ended June 30, 1989. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, Serv-Tech had revenues of $21,062,000, an increase of 27 percent compared with $16,568,000 for the first six months of last year.

Net income the first six months 1990 was $2,009,000, or 45 cents per share about double the $1,025,000, or 32 cents per share, in the first half of 1989. Giving effect to the extraordinary net operating loss carryforwards in the first half of 1989, net income was $1,575,000 or 49 cents per share.

Richard W. Krajicek, chairman of the board, said the company's performance during the second quarter of 1990 was favorably affected by continued strong demand for refinery maintenance services, increased size of jobs performed and higher gross profit margins, resulting from additional supervisory personnel and improved control systems added in 1990.

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ST. CHARLES, MD (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Interstate General Company, L.P. (ASE:IGC) announced Thursday that its managing general partner has authorized a quarterly cash distribution of $.20 per Class A unit, payable on September 1, 1990, to unithold- ers of record on August 21, 1990.

This is the fourth consecutive quarter that IGC has paid a $.20 distribution, following three quarters of $.18 distribu- tions. As a publicly traded partnership, IGC's distributions are similar to dividends paid by stock companies.

Founded in 1957, IGC is a diversified real estate organization specializing in community development, homebuilding, invest- ment properties and management services. Listed on the American and Pacific stock exchanges, the company is a master limited partnership that first issued units to the public in February 1987.

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APPLETON, WI (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Air Wis Services Inc., Thursday reported operating revenues of $53,311,000 for the second quarter of 1990, an increase of 18 percent from the same 1989 period.

Net income was $699,000 for the period, or 8 cents per share. This compares with net income of $1,638,000 or 18 cents per share for the prior year's second quarter. All per share amounts have been adjusted to reflect a 10 percent stock dividend declared in May 1989 and paid the following month.

Aspen Airways Inc. was acquired by Air Wis Services on April 30 of this year. Aspen results for May and June have been included along with those of Air Wisconsin Inc. for the second quarter. Aspen operating revenue was $2,968,000 and its net operating loss was $1,789,000, somewhat higher than expected. As a result of the loss at Aspen, net income for the period was reduced by 13 cents per share. The return of excess aircraft and staff reductions are expected to shrink losses at Aspen over the balance of 1990, leaving the company well-positioned to take full advantage of the 1991 skiing season.

Revenue passenger miles (RPMs) rose 10 percent in the quarter to 125 million while available seat miles (ASMs) climbed 16 percent to 268.5 million, resulting in a load factor decrease to 46.6 percent compared to 48.9 percent a year ago. Aspen accounted for 4.8 million RPMs and 10.5 million ASMs during the two months under Air Wis Services ownership.

Net income for the first six months of 1990 was $2,069,000 or 23 cents per share, almost identical to the $2,061,000 or 23 cents per share earned during the first half of 1989.

Air Wis Services Inc. is a publicly-owned company trading on the OTC National Market System under the symbol ARWS.

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RENO, NV (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Pacific Resources (SPC), a Reno-based diversified utility holding company, Thursday announced it has determined not to proceed with further development of the Thousand Springs Project planned for construction in Elko Co., Nevada, which effectively terminates the project.

This will result in an after-tax charge of approximately $35 million against SPR's 1990 earnings.

SPR is the project manager of, and largest participant in, this independent power project, which was to be built and operated by a group of non-utility companies to produce wholesale electricity for sale in the Western states.

SPR's position from the beginning has been that no Thousand Springs generating units would be constructed unless firm long-term purchase power agreements had been signed for the project's electricity.

While purchase proposals have been submitted to some potential buyers in the Western states, no firm contracts have yet been obtained, and this continued market uncertainty led the company to drop its financial commitment to the project.

Austin W. Stedham, chairman of SPR, stated, ''Significant changes occurring in 1990 have pursuaded us that, although Thousand Springs is a sound concept for the future energy market, it is no longer financially feasible for us to go forward with the project at this time.

''We regret this project, which could have provided many jobs and economic benefits for our home state, must be shelved, but we must adapt to today's market coonditions.''

In the past few weeks, four other corporations announced withdrawal from the Thousand Springs Project. These were: Bonneville Pacific Corp.; Foster Wheeler Energy Corp.; The Pittsburg & Midway Coal Mining Company; and Westinghouse Electric Corp.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Charles L. White has been named Vice

President, Counsel/Cable in the Law Department of Viacom International Inc., it was announced Thursday by Edward N. Schor, Senior Vice President, General Counsel/Communications of the Company.

In this capacity, Mr. White will provide counsel to Viacom Cable on legal and regulatory matters. Viacom Cable owns and operates 14 cable systems, serving more than 1 million basic customers.

In making the announcement, Mr. Schor said, ''Charles has extensive experience in legal and regulatory issues, such as regulatory compliance, involving the cable industry. I am confident that his strong background will enable him to make valuable contributions to Viacom.''

Prior to joining Viacom, Mr. White had been Vice President and Counsel for Paragon Cable Manhattan since 1987. He also served as Assistant Counsel with Manhattan Cable Television, Inc. from 1984 to 1987.

Previously, Mr. White was an Associate with Webster & Sheffield for four years and a Law Assistant at the New York State Supreme Court: Appellate Division.

Mr. White received his J.D. from New York University School of Law in 1977 and his A.B. from Princeton University in 1972.

Viacom International Inc. is a diversified communications and entertainment company headquartered in New York City. Viacom Inc., the holding company parent of Viacom International Inc., is an approximately 84% subsidiary of National Amusements, Inc., a closely-held corporation which owns and operates approximately 650 movie screens in 14 states and England.

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MOUNT AIRY, NC (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Workmen's Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: WRKB) Thursday reported that net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 was $814,809, or 50 cents a share compared to $202,706 for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

Net income for the six month period ended June 30, 1990 was $1,697,671, or $1.05 per share compared to $821,914 for the year earlier. Workmen's principal subsidiary, Workmen's Federal Savings Bank, converted from a mutual to a stock savings bank and was acquired by Workmen's Bancorp on Jan. 10, 1990.

Commenting on the results, Thomas M. Faw, president and chief executive officer of Workmen's Bancorp, indicated that earnings for the six months were marked by continued increase in net income attributable to an increase in the Savings Bank's net interest income.

''Net interest income after provision for loan losses totaled in excess of $2,208,855 for the three months ended June 30, 1990, and in excess of $4,282,747 for the six months ended June 30, 1990 representing increases of $710,346 and $1,239,809, respectively, over the figures recorded for the comparable periods in 1989,'' Faw said.

As of June 30, 1990, Workmen's Bancorp had total assets of $247.6 million, an increase of $5.2 million, or 2.1 percent over that recorded on Dec. 31, 1989.

''Between Dec. 31, 1989, and June 30, 1990, the Savings Bank increased its investment securities by approximately $6 million,'' Faw said. ''During that same period, deposits increased from $204.2 million to $209.4 million while loans receivable increased from approximately $193.8 million to $196.9 million,'' he added.

At Dec. 31, 1989, the retained earnings of the Savings Bank amounted to approximately $15.5 million; at June 30, 1990, the retained earnings of Workmen's Bancorp amounted to $17.2 million and the total stockholder equity of Workmen's Bancorp amounted to $32.2 million. ''At June 30, 1990 the total capital Workmen's Bancorp was almost 13 percent of total assets '' Faw added.

Workmen's Bancorp Inc. is a unitary savings and loan holding company headquartered in Mount Airy. The holding company's subsidiary, Workmen's Federal Savings Bank, operates five retail banking offices; two in Mount Airy and one each in Sparta, Pilot Mountain and King, N.C.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Playboy Enterprises Inc. announced Thursday that the lawsuit filed by the Keith Haring Estate against the company and others regarding copyright infringement has been settled. The settlement did not involve any payment of money by either party.

The dispute involved illustrations that Playboy magazine had commissioned the late artist to create. In spring 1990, Playboy's art publishing subsidiary, Special Editions Ltd. (SEL), in partnership with American Portfolio Inc., reproduced and began marketing four illustrations as

limited-edition silkscreen prints.

Under the settlement, SEL will continue to offer for sale two of the images and will offer additional Haring works through its partnership with American Portfolio. Playboy voluntarily agreed to discontinue selling two images from the original set of four illustrations. To settle Playboy's countersuit, the Haring Estate agreed to stop selling and to turn over to SEL its inventory of t-shirts bearing a Haring illustration (''Earth Man'') that was published in Playboy magazine in 1986 and is one of the illustrations SEL will continue to sell as a limited-edition print.

In 1988, the company formed Special Editions Ltd. to manage Playboy's corporate art collection and to market selected works. Since then, Special Editions has formed a number of joint-venture agreements to publish high-quality limited-edition graphics of works by such artists as Andy Warhol, Ed Paschke, Roger Brown, Alberto Vargas and Patrick Nagel. The prints and posters are sold in more than 5,000 fine-art galleries in North America, Europe and Asia. The retail price of the reproductions range from $35 to $300 for posters and $350 to $1,200 for signed, limited edition prints.

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MEMPHIS, TN (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Bruce E. Campbell Jr., chairman of the board of National Commerce Bancorporation (NASDAQ/NMS:NCBC) announced that at the board of directors meeting held Aug. 9, 1990, the corporation declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 21 cents per share.

The dividend is payable Oct. 2, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 7, 1990.

National Commerce Bancorporation, headquartered at One Commerce Square in Memphis, has assets of $1.9 billion, and is the parent company of National Bank of Commerce, Nashville Bank of Commerce, and the NBC Knoxville Bank.

Other NCBC subsidiaries include Commerce Capital Management Inc., an investment advisory company; Commerce Investment Corp., a broker-dealer which offers a wide range of investment services; and Commerce General Corp., a data-processing company.

The common stock of the company is traded on the over-the-counter market in the National Market System of the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System (NASDAQ) under the symbol NCBC.

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BOSTON (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Bradley Real Estate Trust announced Thursday that funds from operations for the second quarter of 1990 were 15 cents per share compared with 14 cents per share in the second quarter of 1989.

Funds from operations are defined as net income before depreciation and amortization less gains on the sale of real estate and deferred rent collections.

Net income for the second quarter, which ended June 30, 1990 was $288,000 compared with $182,000 for the second quarter of 1989. Net income for the six month period ended June 30, 1990 was $248,000 compared with $233,000 for the corresponding period of 1989.

Bradley Real Estate Trust is a real estate investment trust (''REIT'') that is engaged in the business of acquiring, renovating and holding established income-producing commercial real estate. The trust was founded as a Massachusetts business trust in 1961 and is the country's oldest continuously qualified REIT.

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CHATTANOOGA, TN (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Dixie Yarns Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:DXYN) Thursday announced that the company's board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 17 cents per share on its common stock.

The dividend is payable Aug. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 24, 1990.

Dixie's business consists of four product categories: specialty yarns, industrial sewing threads, knit fabrics, and carpet and rug yarns. The company manufactures and markets yarns and threads from a variety of natural and man-made fibers and also processes yarns into knit fabrics.

Its products are used in the apparel, carpeting, domestics, drapery and upholstery, hosiery, industrial fabrics, transportation, and other

industries.

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DALLAS (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Steve Goldspiel, president of Disclosure Inc., announced in Dallas Thursday that Disclosure has a new agreement with the International Stock Exchange of London, formerly known as the London Stock Exchange.

''We have just signed a contract for the rights to distribute all the daily filings with the International Stock Exchange through our Disclosure Information Centers in the United States and Europe,'' Goldspiel said.

He said that 2,400 companies are members of the exchange, including 700 registered outside the United Kingdom, of which 200 are U.S. companies. Goldspiel's announcement came during a luncheon briefing on the ''Electronic Library of the '90s'' at Disclosure's new office in Dallas attended by business executives, academicians, attorneys and other professionals.

Disclosure, with its 22-year archive of SEC filings, provides clients with the 100,000+ reports filed annually by 12,000 public companies whose stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange, American Stock Exchange, NASDAQ and over-the-counter.

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CONCORD, NH (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Eastern Utilities Associates (EUA) testified today before the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (PUC) that it would ''guarantee'' $750,000 per year in reduced rates and other customer assurances if the proposed acquisition of UNITIL Corp. (UNITIL), is approved by the PUC. UNITIL is the parent company of Concord Electric Co. and Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.

On the first day of hearings on the proposed merger, John R. Stevens, president of EUA, testified: ''We will absolutely guarantee savings which will have the immediate effect of lowering the electric bills of Concord Electric's and Exeter & Hampton's retail customers. We will file such a rate decrease within 30 days of the completion of the merger.''

Stevens based the savings on:

1) EUA's acceptance of a 12.5 percent cost of equity which is dramatically lower than the current costs of Concord Electric's and Exeter & Hampton's, translating into guaranteed savings of $500,000 per year; and

2) Guaranteed savings of $250,000 per year resulting from operational efficiencies and synergies.

In addition, EUA would provide UNITIL Power with a long-term, reliable power supply that would eliminate UNITIL's reliance on short-term power re sources. Stevens agreed to submit a plan to meet this goal to the PUC for its approval before seeking regulatory approval from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

Stevens assured the commission that electricity from EUA Power Corp., which has a 12.1 percent interest in the Seabrook Nuclear Power Station, ''will not be sold or made available to UNITIL unless approved by the PUC and is the best option available.''

Stevens offered further assurances that EUA Power would not adversely impact customers. He cited previous agreements, before EUA Power was formed, with both Rhode Island and Massachusetts officials to insulate EUA's retail customers in those states should EUA Power fail to meet its financial obliga tions.

EUA is a Boston-based investor-owned holding company, whose shares are traded on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges. Subsidiaries are Blackstone Valley Electric Co., Eastern Edison Co., EUA Cogenex Corp., EUA Energy Investment Corp., EUA Ocean State Corp., EUA Power Corp., EUA Service Corp., Montaup Electric Co. and Newport Electric Corp. Together the companies are known as the EUA System. The EUA System provides electric service to approximately 294,000 customers in Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

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NEWARK, N.J. (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - New Jersey Bell filed a plan with the state Board of Public Utilities Thursday (Aug. 9) to provide equipment tht will be used with the statewide 911 Enhanced (911E) emergency telecommunications system currently under development.

Scheduled for completion in 1992, the 911E system requires special equipment located at each Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP).

This equipment, which will be available for monthly lease or sale, consists of a control console and units that display the calling telephone number and the name and address associated with that number.

When an emergency call is received at PSAP, officials will press a single button on the console to route the call automatically to the police, fire or ambulance unit that serves the caller's area.

''New Jersey Bell expects to be a primary supplier of this 911E equipment '' said 911E product manager John DePaola. ''Many municipalities have told us that they want to obtain both 911E network service and the on-premise equipment to be used in conjunction with the service from one source.

''Although New Jersey Bell is not required to supply the associated equipment, the company believes it can provide a competitive alternative to other vendors,'' DePaola said.

New Jersey Bell's monthly lease plan includes installation and maintenance of the 911E equipment. Customers who purchase their equipment also may obtain maintenance from New Jersey Bell.

The costs of installing, operating and maintaining the 911E equipment at each PSAP will be paid by the municipality or county, while the state will pay for the 911E network service.

The number and locations of the PSAPs must be approved by the state Office of Emergency Telecommunications Services. Towns may elect to join neighboring communities to form one answering location, while a county may decide to establish a single PSAP to take calls from all its residents.

''When it becomes available statewide, the new 911E telecommunications service will enable all New Jerseyans to get faster, more effective emergency help,'' DePaola said. ''That ability, however, will depend on equally fast and efficient maintenance and service restoration if a problem arises.

''By providing the PSAP equipment as well as the service, New Jersey Bell will be in a good position to keep the 911E system running smoothly.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - At the Annual Meeting of Stockholders

of Insituform of North America, Inc. (''INA'') (NASDAQ:INSUA) held here on Tuesday, the stockholders reelected all incumbent Class A and B Directors, and filled the sole vacancy on the board with the election of Douglas K. Chick.

Chick is a member of the group of controlling stockholders of INA. The incumbent Class A directors reelected were: Paul A. Biddelman, Managing Director, Corporate Finance Department, Drexel Burnham Lambert Incorporated and Alfred B. DelBello, Chairman of DelBello-Lynch Associates.

The incumbent Class B directors reelected were: Brian Chandler, a member of the group of controlling stockholders of INA; INA Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, James D. Krugman, partner in the law firm of Krugman, Chapnick & Grimshaw; Joseph Pellegrino, President of Langford Capital Corp., and Silas Spengler, partner in the law firm of Spengler Carlson Gubar Brodsky & Frischling.

An amendment to the Company's 1983 Stock Option Plan increasing the number of shares issuable pursuant to the exercise of options granted under the Stock Option Plan from 750,000 shares to 1,000,000 shares of the Class A Common Stock was also approved by stockholders. The stockholders voted to adjourn the meeting to the offices of Krugman, Chapnick & Grimshaw, Park 80 West - Plaza Two, Saddle Brook, New Jersey, on Friday, August 24, 1990 at 10:00 A.M., local time, for the purpose of considering and taking action upon a proposal to amend the Company's Certificate of Incorporation so as to increase the number of authorized shares of Class A Common Stock from 8,750,000 shares to 25,000,000 shares and to increase the number of authorized shares of Preferred Stock from 500,000 shares to 2,000,000 shares, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

Based in Memphis, Tenn., Insituform of North America, Inc. provides state-of-the-art techniques for the reconstruction of deteriorated pipelines utilizing the InsituformR Process.

In addition, INA furnishes its present network of thirteen United States licensees with the InsitutubeR, resins and other related products used by them in the rehabilitation of pipeline systems throughout the country, and is a center of research and development for trenchless pipeline rehabilitation processes.

Through a wholly-owned subsidiary, NU-PIPE, Inc., INA plans to introduce the NuPipeR Process later this year.

INA serves the needs of America's infrastructure.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Grey Advertising Inc. (OTC) Thursday reported second quarter gross billings of $784,098,000 compared with $712,342,000 for the same period in 1989.

Income from commissions and fees was $117,556,000 vs. $106,798,000. Second quarter income rose to $5,160,000 compared with $4,940,000.

Primary earnings per common share were $3.96 vs. $3.73, for the same period in 1989. On a fully diluted basis, second quarter earnings per common share were $3.82 as compared with $3.59.

For the first six months of 1990, gross billings rose to $1,479,686,000 from $1,339,109,000 for the same period in 1989. Commissions and fees income increased to $221,842,000 from $200,766,000; net income was $7,968,000 vs. $7,447,000.

Primary earnings per common share for the six months of 1990 was $6.04 compared with $5.50. Earnings per common share, on a fully diluted basis, amounted to $5.84 vs. $5.29.

Grey Advertising Inc.
and consolidated subsidiary companies
consolidated condensed statement of income

	Three Months Ended June 30 (a)	
	1990	1989
Gross billings (b)	$ 784,098,000	$ 712,342,000
Commissions and fees	117,556,000	106,798,000
Income before taxes on income	11,219,000	11,383,000
Provision for taxes on income federal, foreign, state and local	6,059,000	6,443,000
Net income	$ 5,160,000	4,940,000
Net income per common share (c)		
Primary	$ 3.96	$ 3.73
Fully diluted	$ 3.82	$ 3.59
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding		
Primary	1,213,529	1,258,553
Fully Diluted	1,266,506	1,315,348

(a) Unaudited and subject to year end adjustments.
(b) Amounts reported computed in accordance with industry practice of multiplying income from commissions and fees by 6.67, since income generally amounts to 15 percent of gross billings.
(c) After giving effect to amounts attributable to redeemable preferred stock, the assumed exercise of dilutive stock options, and for fully diluted net income per common share, the assumed conversion of the 8-1/2 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures issued December 1983.

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#90221b0850 08/09/1990 ~Business Wire

PERRIS, CA (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Modtech Inc. (NASDAQ:MODT), a leader in California manufacturing of modular relocatable classrooms Thursday announced operating results for the second quarter and the six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the second quarter, pro-forma net income increased to $844,000, or 29 cents per share, on revenues of $12,923,000 vs. pro-forma net income of $584,000, or 20 cents per share, on revenues of $10,154,000 for the like period last year.

For the first half of fiscal 1990, the company's pro-forma net income rose to $1,268,000, or 43 cents per share, on revenues of $23,077,000 compared with pro-forma net income of $504,000, or 18 cents per share, on revenues of $18,477,000 for the like period in fiscal 1989.

In reviewing the results for the first six months of fiscal 1990, Evan Gruber, chief executive officer, attributed the company's increase primarily to additional production at its expanded manufacturing facilities in response to continued overall demand for modular relocatable classrooms, as well as to increased sales of the customized classrooms built by Del-Tec division under the company's management.

Gruber further noted that the growth in population in California, both from births and from immigration, continues to lead to increasing school enrollments. Changes in population demographics have left many existing permanent schools with excess capacity.

Consequently, in 1986, California adopted legislation that requires, with certain exceptions, 30 percent of all new classrooms constructed with state funds be relocatable structures. Modular relocatable classrooms take less time to construct and install and cost less than conventional ''red brick'' schools.

In addition, modulars permit a school district to relocate the classrooms as student enrollment shifts.

With its improved financial position due in part to the July 1990 initial public offering, Modtech is prepared to benefit from the opportunities in its niche of the infrastructure market.

Modtech Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and installs modular relocatable classrooms. The classrooms are sold primarily to school districts throughout California.

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#90221c0002 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows ProCyte Corp.(TICKER: PRCY) lost $273,711, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $844,087 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $483,671 (including an extraordinary gain of $165,000), or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $1.17 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90221c0003 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Computer Telephone Corp.(TICKER: CPTL) earned $381,854, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $3.31 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $258,294, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $1.88 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90221c0004 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Yukon Energy Corp.(TICKER: YUKN) lost $70,918, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $532,305 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $105,788, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $348,641 for the same period in 1989.

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#90221c0005 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Learning Corp.(TICKER: READ) lost $765,000, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $4.46 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.05 million, or $0.53 per share, on revenues of $4.10 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90221c0006 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Microframe Inc.(TICKER: MIFI) lost $10,597, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $422,075 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $87,319, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $460,571 for the same period in 1989.

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#90221c0007 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Digital Sound Corp.(TICKER: DGSD) lost $548,000 (including an extraordinary loss of $182,000), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $5.54 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $791,000 (extraordinary gain of $315,000), or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $6.51 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90221c0009 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:13 that trade in Lilli Industrial Coatings Inc.(NASDAQ: LICIA) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 17. The company is located in Indianapolis, IN.

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#90221c0010 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY MEUSE RINKER CHAPMAN ENDRES & BROOKS OWNS 227,931 SHARES (8.57%) OF BUCKEYE FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: BCKY) OF COLUMBUS, OH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result of the transactions reported in this amended statement, no additional filings are required to be made by Meuse Rinker Chapman Endres or Brooks unless Meuse Rinker Chapman Endres or Brooks hereafter become the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the common shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

During the last 60 days and on July 31, 1990, Meuse Rinker Chapman Endres & Brooks purchased 174,693 shares for an aggregate purchase price of $1,552,065 and sold 150,431 shares for a consideration of $1,353,667.

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#90221c0011 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

FirstFed (TICKER: FFA) entered into an agreement and plan of merger to become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bancorp Hawaii, Inc. Pursuant to amendment no. 2 to this schedule 13d, and as of July 24, 1990, Castle & Cooke Inc. ceased to be the beneficial owners of more than five percent of the common stock of FirstFed and no further filings are required.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 24, 1990, Castle tendered all of its 349,300 shares of FirstFed common stock for $38.50 per share, cash.

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#90221c0012 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated July 30, 1990, Eastern Utilities Associates expressed its satisfaction with a recently completed analysis by Ernst & Young, a consultant to the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission. The analysis confirms that the proposed acquisition of UNITIL Corp.(TICKER:UTL) by EUA can result in significant power supply savings, more reliable power and better service to UNITIL customers, as well as other efficiencies reflected in a larger, combined electric utility system.

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#90221c0013 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY RIPLEY ACQUISITION OWNS 460,315 SHARES (77.85%) OF RIPLEY CO INC (TICKER: RIPY) OF CROMWELL, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 25, 1990, seven holders of an aggregate of 347,350 shares of Ripley common stock entered stock purchase agreements with RAC and its parent, Capewell, providing for the sale of their shares of stock at a price of $4.15 per share and contingent upon the execution of a merger agreement, dated July 31, 1990, between Ripley, RAC and Capewell providing for the merger of RAC into Ripley on terms whereby holders of common stock other than RAC and Capewell would receive $4.15 per share in cash. On July 31, 1990, Martin Roegnigk and wife entered into a similar stock purchase agreement to sell an aggregate of 112,965 shares of the Ripley common stock. Ripley entered into an agreement with Capewell and RAC providing for an increase in number of directors from four to nine and for the election to the board of five nominees designated by Capewell, and for the issuance in favor of Ripley's transfer agent of a letter of credit. RAC entered into letter agreements with Messrs. H.I. Thayer and James E. Griffin pursuant to which they have agreed to vote their share of Ripley common stock in favor of the merger.

PURPOSE:

To acquire more than two-thirds of all outstanding share of Ripley Co. Inc. in order to effectuate a merger.

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#90221c0014 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 35

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 6, 1990, the Court of Chancery of the state of Delaware denied Stahl's motion to compel the holding of the annual Apple Bancorp Inc. (TICKER: APK) meeting on or before Sept. 14, 1990. The court indicated that the annual meeting should be held no later than Oct. 1, 1990 and that any claim by Stahl to compel the holding of the annual meeting could not be brought prior to Sept. 15, 1990. The court reserved judgment on Stahl's motion for partial summary judgment seeking to invalidate a portion of the definition of beneficial ownership set forth in the rights plan.

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#90221c0015 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

THE PENN CENTRAL CORP OF CINCINNATI, OH OWNS 1,716,300 SHARES (14.30%) OF BUCKEYE PARTNERS L P (TICKER: BPL).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 8 and Aug. 6, 1990, Penn Central Corp. purchased 110,800 limited partnership units at a purchase price of $24.625 to $25.26 each.

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#90221c0017 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 27, 1990, Professional Bancorp's (TICKER: MDBK) wholly owned subsidiary, Professional Savings Bank, was placed into receivership by the Office of Thrift Supervision.

The Resolution Trust Corp. was appointed receiver.

Professional Bancorp's executive office is located at 30001 Ponce de Leon Blvd., Coral Gables, Florida 33134 and its telephone number is (305) 460-7000.

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#90221c0018 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Otra Securities Group Inc.(TICKER: OSGI) earned $300,137, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $4.94 million for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $235,316, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $5.35 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90221c0019 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 25, 1990, the president of Mercury Capital Corp., William J. Mongeau, Jr., resigned from Mercury Capital Corp.'s board of directors.

Mr. Mongeau sold the 15 million shares of common stock of Mercury Capital which he previously owned to Frank Meeks, who purchased 7.5 million shares and Michael Jeans, who also purchased 7.5 million shares.

Mr. Franks and Mr. Jeans were then elected to the board of directors and Mr. Franks was elected president of Mercury Capital Corp..

The executive office of Mercury Capital is located at 6150 East Briarwood Circle, Englewood, Colorado 80112 and its telephone number is (303) 771-0434.

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#90221c0020 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 3, 1990, Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd.(TICKER: TPN) announced its board of directors authorized a study of the possible spin-off of Total Petroleum's Canadian oil and gas operations.

Total Petroleum (North America) LTD's executive office is located at 999 18th Street, Denver, Colorado 80202 and its telephone number is (303) 291-2000.

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#90221c0021 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on

July 23, 1990, Horrigan American Inc. reports its subsidiary, Horrigan Companies Inc., sold its entire portfolio of consumer finance receivables.

The portfolio was sold to Associates Consumer Discount Co. and Horrigan Co. subsequently discontinued the origination of consumer loans.

This transaction resulted from Horrigan American's strategic decision, announced in June, 1990, to discontinue the consumer finance segment of its business in order to concentrate its capital, personnel and other resources in its other business segments: commercial leasing and financing and real estate investment.

Horrigan American's executive office is located at Flying Hills Corporate Center No. 6., Reading, PA 19607 and its telephone number is (215) 775-5199.

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#90221c0022 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Aug. 3, 1990, Haben Industries Inc.(TICKER:HABN) appointed Kenneth as its independent accountant, replacing the firm of Schvaneveldt and Miles, CPA.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

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#90221c0023 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 1, 1990, Frenchtex Inc.(TICKER: FRCH) appointed Spicer & Oppenheim as its independent accountants, replacing Arthur Andersen & Co.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not

qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

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#90221c0025 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:21 that trade in New Vision Inc. (NASDAQ: NUVI) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 3 1/2.

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#90221c0026 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - Input/Output Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1.70 million shares of its common stock with an additional 3.20 million shares being sold by Triton Energy Corp (TICKER: OIL).

Input/Output is currently a subsidiary of Triton Energy.

Upon completion of this offering, Triton Energy will own approximately 27.8 percent of Input/Output's outstanding common stock.

It is currently estimated the initial public offering price will be between $9.00 and $11.00 per share.

PaineWebber Inc. and Salomon Brothers are managing the offering.

Input/Output manufactures and markets seismic data acquisition systems and peripheral seismic instruments for the oil and gas exploration and production industry worldwide.

Input\Output Inc.'s executive office is located at 4235 Greenbriar Drive, Stafford, Texas 77477-3918 and its telephone number is (713) 240-2200.

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#90221c0027 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - Ceracon Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1.25 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one redeemable warrant.

The initial public offering price is expected to be in the range of $6.00 to $7.00 per unit.

Kean Securities Co. is underwriting the offering.

Ceracon is engaged in the field of powder metallurgy in which metals and ceramics are reduced to a powder-like substance and then formed through a variety of manufacturing techniques into parts, tools and components.

Ceracon Inc.'s executive office is located at 1101 N. Market Blvd., Suite 9, Sacramento, California 95834 and its telephone number is (916) 928-1933.

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#90221c0028 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - With Design in Mind International Inc. (TICKER: WDIM) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 670,000 units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one common stock purchase warrant.

The common stock of With Design in Mind International Inc. is traded on the NASDAQ system.

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for the units or warrants.

It is anticipated the initial public offering price of the units will be at or near the closing bid price of the common stock on the last trading day preceding the date of this prospectus.

With Design in Mind International Inc. develops and markets products that are sold by retailers of gifts, novelties and educational items.

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#90221c0029 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 24, 1990, Critical Industries Inc.(TICKER: FYBR) anounced that a federal grand jury in Trenton, New Jersey returned an indictment against Critical Industries Inc., its wholly owned subsidiary, Critical Services Inc., and its chief executive officer, Paul M. Burns.

The indictment charges four counts of wire fraud arising out of an alleged unsuccessful attempt to fix prices.

Critical Industries reports that all the parties have believed and continue to believe that no crime has been committed and intend to defend themselves vigorously.

Critical Industries designs, produces and markets equipment and supplies used in the abatement of asbestos material in public and commercial

buildings and industrial facilities.

It also manufactures and distributes flame resistant protective clothing used in a variety of industrial environments.

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#90221c0030 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY ORION CAPITAL CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 216,600 SHARES (7.07%) OF ROGERS CORP (TICKER: ROG) OF ROGERS, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 28 and Aug. 7, 1990, Orion Capital Corp. purchased 20,700 shares at a price of $20.81 to $22.69 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

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#90221c0031 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 35

GROUP LED BY HERITAGE MEDIA CORP OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 2,643,500 SHARES (67.60%) OF POP RADIO CORP (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On August 7, 1990, HMSI entered into a credit agreement with a group of lenders for which Citibank is acting as agent, providing for up to $220 million in term and revolving credit loans. In addition to Citibank, the lenders are: Bank of Montreal, The Bank of New York, CIBC Inc., First City National Bank, The First National Bank of Chicago, National Westminster Bank USA, NCNB Texas National Bank and Osterreichishe Laenderbank, A.G. The beneficially-owned shares include the right of Heritage Media Services Inc. to acquire 33,551 shares.

PURPOSE:

Credit agreement.

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#90221c0033 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:55 that trade in North Hills Electronics.(NASDAQ: NOHC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1 1/2. The company is located in Glencove, NY.

-30- 354
#90221c0034 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:03 that trade in Kay Jewelers Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol KJI.

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#90221c0035 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 9) COMTEX - Angeles Housing Concepts Inc., a wholly owned unit of Los Angeles-based Angeles Corp.(TICKER: ANG), has acquired three retirement housing projects located in the southeast United States from Heritage Centers of America Inc. for $25.2 million.

The projects include the 136-unit Heritage Woods in Winston-Salem, N.C., the 136-unit Heritage Greens in Greensboro, N.C., and the 186-unit Heritage Palms in Fort Myers, Fla., according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 8, 1990

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#90221c0036 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Fayette Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: FAYT) earned $136,098, or $0.54 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $163,613, or $0.65 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90221c0037 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows FB&T Corp.(TICKER: FBTC) earned $1.43 million, or $0.73 per share, for the

quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.21 million, or $0.62 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90221c0038 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows PC Etcetera Inc.(TICKER: PCEZ) earned $119,737 (including an extraordinary gain of $47,895), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.92 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $91,952 (extraordinary gain of $53,870), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.39 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90221c0039 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Tetra Technologies Inc.(TICKER: TTRA) earned $1.30 million, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $11.06 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $522,000 ($222,000 loss from discontinued operations), or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $10.34 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90221c0041 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 12, 1990, Petroleum Investment LTD(TICKER: PIL) and Egolf Co. executed and delivered among themselves the first amended and restated plans of liquidation and consolidation. Pursuant to the plan, Petroleum Investment LTD disposed of all of their respective depository units of the partnership on Aug. 3, 1990, when such units, having been tendered to Bradmar in connection with the offer to exchange, could no longer be withdrawn. On Aug. 6, 1990, Bradmar accepted the units, totalling 13,390,518, and on Aug. 7, 1990, exchanged the units for Bradmar common at a rate of 10 units for each common share of Bradmar. The partnership was

dissolved on Aug. 7, 1990 and Bradmar tendered its units to the partnership for redemption, in exchange for which it received an assignment of the partnership's assets, subject to existing liabilities, in proportion to the percentage of outstanding units Bradmar held. Bradmar subsequently recovered the remaining assets of the partnership in exchange for common stock.

PURPOSE:

Plan of liquidation and consolidation.

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#90221c0043 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 7, 1990, the President announced that he had decided against intervening under the Exon-Florio Amendment in Saint Gobain's offer for Norton (TICKER: NRT).

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#90221c0045 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 24, 1990, a complaint was filed in Delaware stated to be a class action suit making allegations similar to those in the Roberts complaint.

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#90221c0046 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:34 that trade in Webster Clothes Inc.(NASDAQ: WECS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2. The company is located in Baltimore, MD.

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#90221c0047 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Federal Trade Commission granted early termination of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Act, giving the proposed transaction the green light, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

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#90221c0048 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The purchaser announced that the HSR waiting period expired on Aug. 7, 1990.

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#90221c0050 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:58 that trade in North Hills Electric Inc. (NASDAQ: NOHL) has been resumed. The first bid was 2; up 1/2 point from the halt and from the previous close.

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#90221c0052 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.C. BROOKS OF P O BOX 1095, SIERRA MADRE, CA 91025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,500 SHARES OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO.(TICKER: SDEV) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 26, 1990.

(SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO. TEL: 617 337-0877)

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#90221c0053 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.L. GORHAM OF 481 W SADDLE RIVER RD, UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ 07458, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,949 CLASS A SHARES OF THE NEW YORK TIMES CO. (TICKER: NYT) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 25, 1990.

(THE NEW YORK TIMES CO. TEL: 212 556-1234)

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#90221c0054 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - N.T. KLEIN OF 5708 ARBOR VALLEY DR, ARLINGTON, TX 76016, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,317 SHARES OF QUASAR-TECH INC. THROUGH CULLUM & SANDOW INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 26, 1990.

(QUASAR-TECH INC. TEL: 817 277-4151)

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#90221c0055 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.W. GARRITY OF 26 ACORN, IRVINE, CA 92714, HAS FILED TO SELL 130,000 SHARES OF STRONGPOINT INC. THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 26, 1990.

(STRONGPOINT INC. TEL: 714 474-9335)

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#90221c0056 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.H. COOPER OF 1752 SUNRISE PARK CIR, SANDY, UT 84093, HAS FILED TO SELL 115,000 SHARES OF GARBALIZER MACHINERY CORP.(TICKER: GARM) THROUGH WILSON DAVIS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 26, 1990.

(GARBALIZER MACHINERY CORP. TEL: 801 359-7583)

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#90221c0057 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T. RICH OF 323 EAST MATILJA, SUITE 112, P O BOX 141, OJAI, CA 93023, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF DELTA PETROLEUM CORP. THROUGH TOLUCA PACIFIC SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 26, 1990.

(DELTA PETROLEUM CORP. TEL: 303 293-9133)

-30- 417
#90221c0058 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVE GARWOOD OF 5219 AMBRIDGE DR, AGOURA, CA 91301, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 427
#90221c0060 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALEX C TONEY OF 445 TELLER ST, WHEATRIDGE, CO 80333, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH TRI-BRADLEY INVSTMNTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-7330)

-30- 408
#90221c0061 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH TINIANOW OF 1076 JASMINE ST, DENVER, CO 80220, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH TRI-BRADLEY INVSTMNTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-7330)

-30- 410
#90221c0062 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JON L PIPER OF 3 WINGED FOOT WAY, 0, COLUMBINE VALLEY, CO 80123, HAS

FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF GREASE MONKEY HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: GMHC) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(GREASE MONKEY HOLDING CORP. TEL: 303 534-1660)

-30- 442
#90221c0063 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FIRST DUNBAR ASSOC INC PS PLAN OF JEFFERSON OFFICE PARK, 790 TURNPIKE ST, NORTH ANDOVER, MA 01845, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SOFTWARE SERVICES OF AMERICA INC (TICKER: SSOA) THROUGH CANTELLA & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(SOFTWARE SERVICES OF AMERICA INC TEL: 508 681-0802)

-30- 504
#90221c0064 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALVIN BUSCHMAN OF P O BOX 847, 0, PERRYTON, TX 79070, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE (TICKER: SPCL) THROUGH KNIBBE FNCL GRP INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE TEL: 214 630-9825)

-30- 456
#90221c0065 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA FOUNDATION OF 4380 BOULDER HIGHWAY, LAS VEGAS, NV 89121, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF UNITED GAMING INC. (TICKER: UGAM) THROUGH LH FRIEND WEINRESS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(UNITED GAMING INC. TEL: 702 435-4200)

-30- 457
#90221c0066 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS M TAYLOR OF 3200 FIRST CITY BANK TOWER, 0, FT WORTH, TX 76102

HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF ENTERRA CORP. (TICKER: EN) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(ENTERRA CORP. TEL: 713 864-8700)

-30- 406
#90221c0068 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SID R BASS OF 3200 FIRST CITY BANK TOWER, 0, FT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,000 SHARES OF ENTERRA CORP. (TICKER: EN) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(ENTERRA CORP. TEL: 713 864-8700)

-30- 403
#90221c0069 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRASON D THOMAS OF 200 E RANDOLPH DR, CHICAGO, IL 60601, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AMOCO CORP. (TICKER: AN) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(AMOCO CORP. TEL: 312 856-6111)

-30- 389
#90221c0070 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID J DUNN OF 10975 TORREYANA RD, SUITE 304, SAN DIEGO, CA 92121, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF ENTERRA CORP. (TICKER: EN) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(ENTERRA CORP. TEL: 713 864-8700)

-30- 402
#90221c0071 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BUCK A MICKEL OF 415 CRESCENT AVE, GREENVILLE, SC 29605, HAS FILED TO SELL 56,835 SHARES OF FLUOR CORP. (TICKER: FLR) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(FLUOR CORP. TEL: 714 975-2000)

-30- 385
#90221c0072 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOE JOHNSON OF 8803 SOUTH RENEGADE RD, 0, SANDY, UT 84093, HAS FILED TO SELL 65,000 SHARES OF BAYOU INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAYU) THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(BAYOU INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 613 820-0133)

-30- 417
#90221c0073 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRY M OSULLIVAN OF 606 ROCK CREEK, 0, RED OAK, TX 75154, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE (TICKER: SPCL) THROUGH KNIBBE FNCL GRP INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE TEL: 214 630-9825)

-30- 466
#90221c0074 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN R WORTHINGTON OF 4640 HAWTHORNE LANE NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20016, HAS FILED TO SELL 31,884 SHARES OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCIC) THROUGH J E LISS & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. TEL: 202 872-1600)

-30- 446
#90221c0076 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SEAY THOMAS P TRUST OF 702 SW 8TH ST, BENTONVILLE, AR 72716, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT) THROUGH EDWARD D JONES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(WAL-MART STORES INC. TEL: 501 273-4000)

-30- 429
#90221c0077 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RODNEY C PERKINS OF 801 WELCH RD, PALO ALTO, CA 94304, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(LASERSCOPE TEL: 408 943-0636)

-30- 392
#90221c0078 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD H COOLEY OF 01860 S W GREENWOOD RD, PORTLAND, OR 97219, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,000 SHARES OF PRECISION CASTPARTS CORP. (TICKER: PCP) THROUGH CHARTER INVSTMNT GRP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26 1990.

(PRECISION CASTPARTS CORP. TEL: 503 777-3881)

-30- 441
#90221c0079 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH S GENDALL OF 49 BAYVIEW DR N, JAMESTOWM, RI 02835, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH TRI-BRADLEY INVSTMNTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 431
#90221c0080 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORMAN M GOLDFARB OF 160 FARM RD, WOODSIDE, CA 94062, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,126 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 437
#90221c0081 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEW ENTERPRISE ASSOC III LP OF 1119 ST PAUL ST, BALTIMORE, MD 21202, HAS FILED TO SELL 67,250 SHARES OF SAGE SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: SGSI) THROUGH NEEDHAM & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(SAGE SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 301 230-3200)

-30- 435
#90221c0082 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANTHONY S ROCKWELL OF 3337 IVY LANE, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,129 SHARES OF HOMESTYLE BUFFET INC. (TICKER: HBUF) THROUGH BLUNT ELLIS & LOEWI. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(HOMESTYLE BUFFET INC. TEL: 813 855-2675)

-30- 426
#90221c0084 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LUCAS DONALD L PFT SHR TR OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG #3 SUITE #210, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ORACLE SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: ORCL) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(ORACLE SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 415 598-8000)

-30- 462
#90221c0085 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GENO SACCOMANNO OF 778 TWENTY-SIX & A HALF RD, GRANDJUNCTION, CO 81506, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,778 SHARES OF XSIRIUS SUPERCONDUCTIVITY INC. (TICKER: XSCI) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(XSIRIUS SUPERCONDUCTIVITY INC. TEL: 602 991-3488)

-30- 467
#90221c0086 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL N SCHREGEL OF ONE SCOTT PLAXZA, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19113, HAS

FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF SCOTT PAPER CO. (TICKER: SPP) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(SCOTT PAPER CO. TEL: 215 522-5000)

-30- 409
#90221c0087 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOEL H READER OF 333 S WINDSOR BLVD, LOS ANGELES, CA 91607, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF VENTURA ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LTD. (TICKER: VEGG) THROUGH STRATON OAKMONT INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(VENTURA ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LTD. TEL: 818 762-8700)

-30- 460
#90221c0088 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAROL SCIBELLI OF 2936 BAY DR, MERRICK, NY 11566, HAS FILED TO SELL 112,500 SHARES OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 516 922-2400)

-30- 427
#90221c0089 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN D LEIDHOLT OF 90 CORONA #1308, DENVER, CO 80218, HAS FILED TO SELL 39,280 SHARES OF TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: RRRC) THROUGH BOETTCHER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 303 399-6351)

-30- 410
#90221c0090 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW F POLLET OF 10934 ALTO COURT, OAK VIEW, CA 93022, HAS FILED TO SELL 125,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 436
#90221c0092 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD E ISERMANN OF 30 STEWART PLACE, 0, FAIRFIELD, NJ 07006, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,162 SHARES OF SILICON GRAPHICS INC. (TICKER: SGI) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(SILICON GRAPHICS INC. TEL: 415 960-1980)

-30- 428
#90221c0093 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LUCAS DONALD L TTEE OF 31416 W AGOURA RD, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91361 HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 818 706-8989)

-30- 469
#90221c0094 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM N SIMONS OF 626 E WISCONSIN AVE, OCONOMOWOC, WI 53066, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF STOKELY USA INC. (TICKER: STKY) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(STOKELY USA INC. TEL: 414 567-1731)

-30- 405
#90221c0095 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLAN J MCCORKLE OF 11657 VILLAGE LANE, JACKSONVILLE, FL 32223, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF MOBILE AMERICA CORP. (FLA) (TICKER: MAME) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(MOBILE AMERICA CORP. (FLA) TEL: 904 396-0571)

-30- 442
#90221c0096 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E WYATT OF 58 BOLES RD, MARSHFIELD, MA 02050, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF KEANE INC. (TICKER: KEA) THROUGH FIDELITY INVESTMENTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(KEANE INC. TEL: 617 241-9200)

-30- 383
#90221c0097 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN KANE OF 6331 BRANDON ST, 0, PALM BCH GARDENS, FL 33418, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOCA) THROUGH VANDERBILT SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 394-3066)

-30- 438
#90221c0098 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PATRICIA A SMITH OF P O BOX 211, MAIN ST, WESTMINSTER, VT 05158, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF IMTEC INC. (TICKER: IMTC) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(IMTEC INC. TEL: 802 463-9502)

-30- 399
#90221c0100 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HENRY P LITTLETON JR OF 285 UNION AVE, 0, MEMPHIS, TN 38103, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,979 SHARES OF ENGRAPH INC. (TICKER: ENGH) THROUGH INTERSTATE JOHNSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(ENGRAPH INC. TEL: 404 329-0332)

-30- 400
#90221c0101 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - LARRY FELDMANN OF 285 UNION AVE, 0, MEMPHIS, TN 38103, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,650 SHARES OF ENGRAPH INC. (TICKER: ENGH) THROUGH INTERSTATE JOHNSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(ENGRAPH INC. TEL: 404 329-0332)

-30- 391
#90221c0102 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES D WEBSTER OF 285 UNION AVE, 0, MEMPHIS, TN 38103, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,915 SHARES OF ENGRAPH INC. (TICKER: ENGH) THROUGH INTERSTATE JOHNSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(ENGRAPH INC. TEL: 404 329-0332)

-30- 393
#90221c0103 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVESTMENT INCOME PARTNERSHIP OF 2 NORTH LASALLE ST, SUITE 500, CHICAGO, IL 60602, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,668 SHARES OF EAGLE FOOD CENTERS INC. (TICKER: EGLE) THROUGH HARRIS ASSOCIATES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(EAGLE FOOD CENTERS INC. TEL: 309 787-7955)

-30- 468
#90221c0104 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C WOODROW REA OF 1119 ST PAUL STREET, BALTIMORE, MD 21202, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(CIRRUS LOGIC INC. TEL: 408 945-8300)

-30- 409
#90221c0105 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN J ROCKWELL OF 3337 IVY LANE, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416, HAS FILED

TO SELL 3,300 SHARES OF HOMESTYLE BUFFET INC. (TICKER: HBUF) THROUGH BLUNT ELLIS & LOEWI. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(HOMESTYLE BUFFET INC. TEL: 813 855-2675)

-30- 423
#90221c0106 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WAGMAN KANDO 1988 TRUST #2 OF 9333 OSO AVENUE, CHATSWORTH, CA 91311, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 460
#90221c0108 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J T GILLESPIE OF 4184 N CLARENDON, CHICAGO, IL 60613, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF UNITED STATES ANTIMONY CORP. (TICKER: USAC) THROUGH HEITNER CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(UNITED STATES ANTIMONY CORP. TEL: 406 827-3523)

-30- 446
#90221c0109 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EUGENE H CADWELL OF P O BOX 1107, LARAMIE, WY 82070, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CASCADE IMPORTERS INC. (TICKER: KOSM) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(CASCADE IMPORTERS INC. TEL: 407 338-8278)

-30- 423
#90221c0110 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE STENSLIK OF 850 MACCARTHUR, 0, CHICAGO HTS, IL 60411, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,667 SHARES OF INTEGRATED LOGIC SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: ILSI) THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(INTEGRATED LOGIC SYSTEM INC. TEL: 719 590-1588)

-30- 449
#90221c0111 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLEN C MILLER OF 111 3RD STREET, GILLETTE, WY 82716, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS & RADIO INC (TICKER: VCRI) THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS & RADIO INC TEL: 307 686-9348)

-30- 455
#90221c0112 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HELENE LAPIN OF 166 MILLBROOK CIRCLE, NORWOOD, NJ 07648, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,500 SHARES OF LASER PHOTONICS INC. (TICKER: LAZR) THROUGH MURIEL SIEBERT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 24, 1990.

(LASER PHOTONICS INC. TEL: 201 768-0649)

-30- 417
#90221c0113 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KEVIN G QUINN OF RT #1, P O BOX 230, QUEENSTOWN, MD 21658, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 25, 1990.

(BROWN (ALEX) INC. TEL: 301 727-1700)

-30- 408
#90221c0114 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARLIN TRUST OF 20525 MARIANI AVE, CUPERTINO, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 450,000 SHARES OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(APPLE COMPUTER INC. TEL: 408 996-1010)

-30- 417
#90221c0116 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BLISTEX INC OF 1800 SWIFT DR, OAKBROOK, IL 60521, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,600 SHARES OF HEALTHTEK INC. (TICKER: HLTK) THROUGH WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(HEALTHTEK INC. TEL: 916 265-9068)

-30- 389
#90221c0117 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PEGGY N PLACEK OF 392 FOWLER MILL RD, 0, BOCART, GA 30622, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,900 SHARES OF WEGENER CORP. (TICKER: WGNR) THROUGH MORGAN KEEGAN & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(WEGENER CORP. TEL: 404 623-0096)

-30- 398
#90221c0118 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM M PIERCE JR OF 5F CASTLE HILLS RD, AGAWAM, MA 01001, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF AFFILIATED BANC CORP. (TICKER: ABCV) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 24, 1990.

(AFFILIATED BANC CORP. TEL: 413 534-8000)

-30- 424
#90221c0119 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CONTINENTAL IL EMP SAV PLAN OF 231 S LASALLE ST, CHICAGO, IL 60697, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,236 SHARES OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK) THROUGH CHICAGO CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JUL 26, 1990.

(CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. TEL: 312 828-2345)

-30- 442
#90221c0120 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BACKER TRUST OF 12655 W JEFFERSON BLVD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90066, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF COLLINS FOODS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CF) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07 1990.

(COLLINS FOODS INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 213 827-2300)

-30- 451
#90221c0121 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WOODLAND VENTURE FUND OF 1000 8TH ST, STE 101, MONTEREY, CA 93940, HAS FILED TO SELL 118,000 SHARES OF HELIAN HEALTH GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGR) THROUGH WHALE SECS CO L P. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(HELIAN HEALTH GROUP INC. TEL: 408 646-9000)

-30- 453
#90221c0122 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WOODLAND PARTNERS OF 39 WOODLAND RD, 0, ROSLYN, NY 11576, HAS FILED TO SELL 202,000 SHARES OF HELIAN HEALTH GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGR) THROUGH WHALE SECS CO L P. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(HELIAN HEALTH GROUP INC. TEL: 408 646-9000)

-30- 439
#90221c0124 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALVIN E BENNER JR OF 60 BLENHEIM CT N.E., CONCORD, NC 28025, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF FOOD LION INC. (TICKER: FDLN) THROUGH INTERSTATE JOHNSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(FOOD LION INC. TEL: 704 633-8250)

-30- 403
#90221c0125 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALVIN E BENNER JR OF 60 BLENHEIM CT N.E., CONCORD, NC 28025, HAS

FILED TO SELL 10,160 SHARES OF FOOD LION INC. (TICKER: FDLN) THROUGH INTERSTATE JOHNSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(FOOD LION INC. TEL: 704 633-8250)

-30- 405
#90221c0126 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 2, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $22.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90221c0128 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 16, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $22.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90221c0129 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 17, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $22.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,212,171.

-30- 371
#90221c0130 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 27, 1990, R.N. COOPER, OFFICER OF COUNSELLORS TANDEM SECURITIES FUND INC. (TICKER: CTF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 351
#90221c0131 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 2, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 113 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90221c0133 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 11, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90221c0134 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 798 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90221c0135 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 27, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 156 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 111,672.

-30- 324
#90221c0136 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 16, 1990, H.A. GERSHMAN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP.(NORTH DAKOTA BOUGHT 254 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,406.

-30- 310
#90221c0137 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 16, 1990, J.A. LAMBIE, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (NORTH) DAKOTA BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,981.

-30- 308
#90221c0138 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 29, 1990, D.R. GAY, PRES. OF AMTRONICS ENTERPRISES LTD. SOLD 47,000 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,159,850.

-30- 308
#90221c0139 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, G.L. PARKS, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANKS OF VIRGINIA INC. BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,097.

-30- 319
#90221c0141 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, W.M. CARNE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: MHFC) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,799.

-30- 313
#90221c0142 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 16, 1990, J.S. GIBULA, DIR. OF MICHIGAN FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: MHFC) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 559.

-30- 313
#90221c0143 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 15, 1990, E.A. GILMOUR, DIR. OF NBT BANCORP INC (TICKER: NBTB) BOUGHT 228 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,981.

-30- 301
#90221c0144 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, J.M. WILKINS, CHAIRMAN OF SILCO INVESTORS CORP. BOUGHT 945 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,115.

-30- 302
#90221c0145 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, W.L. FRIERSON, VP OF FIRST CHATTANOOGA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCHT), SOLD 1,394 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90221c0146 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 12, 1990, WOLFE KNOTTINGHAM LTD, BEN. OWNER OF UNITED NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: UTDN) BOUGHT 141 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90221c0147 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, WOLFE KNOTTINGHAM LTD, BEN. OWNER OF UNITED NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: UTDN) BOUGHT 888 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90221c0149 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 3, 1990, N.D. ABELL III, DIR. OF CENTRAL CORP. MONROE LOUISIANA BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90221c0150 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 3, 1990, CENTRAL STEEL & WIRE CO (TICKER: CSTW) P/S TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF CENTRAL STEEL & WIRE CO. BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $725.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,623.

-30- 349
#90221c0151 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, H.W. HILL, DIR. OF ZERO CORP. (TICKER: ZRO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 250
#90221c0153 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ARMAS C MARKKULA, DIR. OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $40.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90221c0154 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ARMAS C MARKKULA, DIR. OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $41.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90221c0155 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ARMAS C MARKKULA, DIR. OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT $40.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90221c0156 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ARMAS C MARKKULA, DIR. OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90221c0158 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ARMAS C MARKKULA, DIR. OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,614,930.

-30- 322
#90221c0159 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DENIS K VANIER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF AMERICAN BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC.(GA) (TICKER: ABP), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90221c0160 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DENIS K VANIER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF AMERICAN BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC.(GA) (TICKER: ABP), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,629.

-30- 361
#90221c0161 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, RUTH S BLOCK, DIR. OF ACM GOVERNMENT INCOME FD INC. (TICKER: ACG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 328
#90221c0162 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, BENJAMIN N WOODSON, DIR. OF AMERICAN CAPITAL CONV SECURITIES INC. (TICKER: ACS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 350
#90221c0163 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, DAVID B PRATT, OFFICER OF ADOBE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ADBE), SOLD 1,015 SHARES AT $37.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90221c0164 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, LEEAM LOWIN, BEN. OWNER OF AEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AELN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90221c0166 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, LEEAM LOWIN, BEN. OWNER OF AEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AELN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 343,900.

-30- 311
#90221c0167 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, PETER M GUTMANN, DIR. OF AMERICAN CLAIMS EVALUATION INC. (TICKER: AMCE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90221c0168 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, MARSHALL GELLER, DIR. OF ANGELES CORP. (TICKER: ANG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,900.

-30- 293
#90221c0169 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, J DARCY CHISHOLM, TTEE OF ANGELES PARTICIPATING MTG TRUST (TICKER: APT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 339
#90221c0170 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, SPENCER M PARTRICH, DIR. OF ARBOR DRUGS INC. (TICKER: ARBR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90221c0171 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, SPENCER M PARTRICH, DIR. OF ARBOR DRUGS INC. (TICKER: ARBR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 313
#90221c0172 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, PEYTON L GANNAWAY, PRES. OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 3,600 SHARES AT $36.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90221c0174 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, PEYTON L GANNAWAY, PRES. OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,830.

-30- 329
#90221c0175 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, NEIL J HYNES, DIR. OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 9,106 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126.

-30- 314
#90221c0176 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JOHN J POWERS, VP OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $36.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90221c0177 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JOHN J POWERS, VP OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278

#90221c0178 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, JOHN J POWERS, VP OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,910.

-30- 315
#90221c0179 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, JOSEPH FELDSTEIN, VP OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 3,872 SHARES AT $25.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90221c0180 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, JOSEPH FELDSTEIN, VP OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 7,700 SHARES AT $26.72 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,428.

-30- 332
#90221c0182 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, STEVEN H RICE, DIR. OF ALLEGHENY POWER SYS INC. (TICKER: AYP), BOUGHT 139 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 369.

-30- 315
#90221c0183 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, FRANK A SHRONTZ, DIR. OF BOISE CASCADE CORP. (TICKER: BCC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 309
#90221c0184 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, MARY C REYMANN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FLANIGAN'S

ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: BDL), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 340
#90221c0185 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, JOHN D BETZ, DIR. OF BETZ LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BETZ), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $77.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90221c0186 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JOHN D BETZ, DIR. OF BETZ LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BETZ), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $77.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,400.

-30- 315
#90221c0187 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, CHARLES J GRAYSON JR, DIR. OF BROWNING-FERRIS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BFI), SOLD 2,900 SHARES AT $48.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 329
#90221c0188 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90221c0190 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90221c0191 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 90,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 142,750.

-30- 339
#90221c0192 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90221c0193 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 90,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 146,000.

-30- 359
#90221c0194 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 6,700 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90221c0195 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90221c0196 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 6,200 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 258,900.

-30- 336
#90221c0198 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90221c0199 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 6,200 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 258,900.

-30- 333
#90221c0200 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 6,700 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90221c0201 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90221c0202 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 6,200 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 263,900.

-30- 351
#90221c0203 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JOHN H HOBART, DIR. OF BOWNE & CO. (TICKER: BNE),

SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 520,192.

-30- 299
#90221c0204 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, HENRY L FOSTER, VP OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $72.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,984.

-30- 308
#90221c0206 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, HAROLD O JOHNSON, VP OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), SOLD 1,408 SHARES AT $71.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90221c0207 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JON M LARSON, VP OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), SOLD 1,600 SHARES AT $71.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,032.

-30- 303
#90221c0208 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, THOMAS C MCDERMOTT, PRES. OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $72.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,121.

-30- 319
#90221c0209 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, RONALD L ZARRELLA, VP OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $71.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,958.

-30- 306
#90221c0210 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, HERBERT M PEARLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90221c0211 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, HERBERT M PEARLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90221c0212 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, HERBERT M PEARLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,267.

-30- 334
#90221c0214 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, GLENN R SIMMONS, DIR. OF BAROID CORP. (TICKER: BRC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 295
#90221c0215 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,997,920.

-30- 365
#90221c0216 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JOHN L FRALEY JR, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA FREIGHT CORP. (TICKER: CAO), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 716.

-30- 324
#90221c0217 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOSEPH O MCGONIGLE, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,706.

-30- 303
#90221c0218 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, ALAN E RIEDEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COOPER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CBE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $45.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,776.

-30- 331
#90221c0219 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JAMES B HEBENSTREIT, DIR. OF COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: CBSH), BOUGHT 604 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 864.

-30- 329
#90221c0220 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, BARRY S GREENE, VP OF CHRIS-CRAFT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CCN), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90221c0222 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, BARRY S GREENE, VP OF CHRIS-CRAFT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CCN), SOLD 106 SHARES AT $30.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90221c0223 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, BARRY S GREENE, VP OF CHRIS-CRAFT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CCN), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90221c0224 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, BARRY S GREENE, VP OF CHRIS-CRAFT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CCN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $30.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90221c0225 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, BARRY S GREENE, VP OF CHRIS-CRAFT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CCN), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,947.

-30- 314
#90221c0226 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JERMAIN B PORTER, DIR. OF CHECKPOINT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHEK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,920.

-30- 325
#90221c0227 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JOHN T RAY, DIR. OF CHECK ROBOT INC. (TICKER: CKRB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90221c0228 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JOHN T RAY, DIR. OF CHECK ROBOT INC. (TICKER: CKRB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90221c0230 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, SYLVIA SCHAEFER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CLAIRE'S STORES INC. (TICKER: CLE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90221c0231 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, SYLVIA SCHAEFER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CLAIRE'S STORES INC. (TICKER: CLE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90221c0232 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, SYLVIA SCHAEFER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CLAIRE'S STORES INC. (TICKER: CLE), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90221c0233 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, SYLVIA SCHAEFER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CLAIRE'S STORES INC. (TICKER: CLE), SOLD 7,200 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90221c0234 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, SYLVIA SCHAEFER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CLAIRE'S STORES INC. (TICKER: CLE), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90221c0235 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, SYLVIA SCHAEFER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CLAIRE'S STORES INC. (TICKER: CLE), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90221c0236 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, SYLVIA SCHAEFER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CLAIRE'S STORES INC. (TICKER: CLE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90221c0238 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SYLVIA SCHAEFER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CLAIRE'S STORES INC. (TICKER: CLE), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 552,239.

-30- 341
#90221c0239 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, DONALD G ASH, PRES. OF CLARY CORP. (TICKER: CLY), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,000.

-30- 290
#90221c0240 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 17, 1989, HOWARD H CALLAWAY, DIR. OF CML GROUP INC. (TICKER: CML), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,000.

-30- 310
#90221c0241 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, CINCINNATI MILACRON PLAN WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), SOLD 562 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 343
#90221c0242 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, CINCINNATI MILACRON PLAN WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF

CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), BOUGHT 168 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90221c0243 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, CINCINNATI MILACRON PLAN WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), SOLD 126 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 343
#90221c0244 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, CINCINNATI MILACRON PLAN WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), BOUGHT 437 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90221c0246 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CINCINNATI MILACRON PLAN WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), BOUGHT 246 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,748,871.

-30- 383
#90221c0247 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ROGER L HEADRICK, DIR. OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $43.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,150.

-30- 322
#90221c0248 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, HANS L CARSTENSEN III, DIR. OF COCA MINES INC. (TICKER: COCA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90221c0249 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, HANS L CARSTENSEN III, DIR. OF COCA MINES INC. (TICKER: COCA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 317
#90221c0250 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, FREDERICK R ADLER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 324
#90221c0251 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, GARY SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 5,200 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,872,250.

-30- 320
#90221c0252 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90221c0254 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90221c0255 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP.

(TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90221c0256 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP.
(TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90221c0257 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP.
(TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90221c0258 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP.
(TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90221c0259 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP.
(TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90221c0260 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP.
(TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90221c0262 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP.

(TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 121,800 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90221c0263 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP.
(TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 15,600 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90221c0264 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP.
(TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90221c0265 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP.
(TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 1,683,180.

-30- 318
#90221c0266 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, FRED C MEENDSEN, VP OF CPC INTERNATIONAL INC.
(TICKER: CPC), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $79.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 930.

-30- 308
#90221c0267 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, PAUL S BRADSHAW, VP OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO.
(TICKER: CPL), SOLD 134 SHARES AT $42.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90221c0268 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, HUGH F CULVERHOUSE, DIR. OF CHIQUITA BRANDS INTL INC. (TICKER: CQB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90221c0270 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, VINCENT BREITENBERGER, OFFICER OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90221c0271 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, VINCENT BREITENBERGER, OFFICER OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90221c0272 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, VINCENT BREITENBERGER, OFFICER OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90221c0273 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, VINCENT BREITENBERGER, OFFICER OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90221c0274 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, VINCENT BREITENBERGER, OFFICER OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,562.

-30- 325
#90221c0275 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, CURTIS A LOVELAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DANNINGER MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: DANN), BOUGHT 1,860 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,960.

-30- 370
#90221c0276 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, R RON HEILIGENSTEIN, DIR. OF WHITE (DAVID) INC. (TICKER: DAWH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 323
#90221c0278 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, EDWARD G JEFFERSON, DIR. OF DUPONT (E.I.) DE NEMOURS & CO. (TICKER: DD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $40.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 158,944.

-30- 342
#90221c0279 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DAVID P HOPLEY, VP OF DEERE & CO. (TICKER: DE), SOLD 3,340 SHARES AT $72.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,675.

-30- 290
#90221c0280 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, BERNARD M FOX, DIR. OF DEXTER CORP. (TICKER: DEX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 287
#90221c0281 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DONALD L LUCAS, DIR. OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,469.

-30- 337
#90221c0282 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ROBERT C BECKER, VP OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,797.

-30- 314
#90221c0283 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ROGER R HEMMINGHAUS, CHAIRMAN OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90221c0284 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ROGER R HEMMINGHAUS, CHAIRMAN OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,932.

-30- 331
#90221c0286 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, WILLIAM R KLESSE, VP OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,289.

-30- 311
#90221c0287 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, J ROBERT MEHALL, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,759.

-30- 330
#90221c0288 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, S EDWARD CHRISTIANSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EQUIPMENT CO. OF AMERICA (TICKER: ECOA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,766.

-30- 362
#90221c0289 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, THERESA E CHRISTIANSEN, OFFICER OF EQUIPMENT CO. OF AMERICA (TICKER: ECOA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,766.

-30- 344
#90221c0290 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, HARVEY J GROSS, DIR. OF ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. (TICKER: EEI), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90221c0291 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, HARVEY J GROSS, DIR. OF ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. (TICKER: EEI), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90221c0292 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, HARVEY J GROSS, DIR. OF ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. (TICKER: EEI), SOLD 1,600 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90221c0294 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, CHARLES W GROENNERT, VP OF EMERSON ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: EMR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $41.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90221c0295 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, CHARLES W GROENNERT, VP OF EMERSON ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: EMR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $42.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90221c0296 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JOHN E SCOTT, CHAIRMAN OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90221c0297 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOHN E SCOTT, CHAIRMAN OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.96 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 798,500.

-30- 348
#90221c0298 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 10, 1989, RICHARD RAU, PRES. OF ERC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ERCI), BOUGHT 32,519 SHARES AT $0.11 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90221c0299 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, RICHARD RAU, PRES. OF ERC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ERCI), BOUGHT 6,600 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,119.

-30- 298
#90221c0300 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, GEORGE D COMBS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS CO. (TICKER: ESC), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90221c0302 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, GEORGE D COMBS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS CO. (TICKER: ESC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90221c0303 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, GEORGE D COMBS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS CO. (TICKER: ESC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 199,266.

-30- 351
#90221c0304 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, TERRANCE L LINDBERG, DIV. OFFICER OF EXCEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: EXC), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,373.

-30- 327
#90221c0305 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ROBERT H BOLTON, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCE CORP. (TICKER: FCOM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90221c0306 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ROBERT H BOLTON, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCE CORP. (TICKER: FCOM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90221c0307 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, E BRUCE DUNGAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FARMERS CAPITAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: FFKT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,375.

-30- 348
#90221c0308 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, E BRUCE DUNGAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FARMERS CAPITAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: FFKT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90221c0310 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, MICHAEL M SULLIVAN, DIR. OF FARMERS CAPITAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: FFKT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 108,500.

-30- 333
#90221c0311 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WILLIAM R BRUCE, DIR. OF FIDELITY BANCSHARES INC. (TN) (TICKER: FFTN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 332
#90221c0312 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PHILIP H CHING, VP OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 3,357 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,159.

-30- 310
#90221c0313 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, WALTER A DODS JR, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 37,663 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 257,050.

-30- 328
#90221c0314 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PAUL M GANLEY, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 6,250 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90221c0315 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PAUL M GANLEY, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 6,250 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90221c0316 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PAUL M GANLEY, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 1,158,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,903,218.

-30- 339
#90221c0318 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DAVID M HAIG, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 1,158,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,850,200.

-30- 353
#90221c0319 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, HARRY E FIGGIE JR, CHAIRMAN OF FIGGIE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FIGI), SOLD 19,000 SHARES AT $24.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90221c0320 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, HARRY E FIGGIE JR, CHAIRMAN OF FIGGIE INTERNATIONAL

INC. (TICKER: FIGI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90221c0321 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, HARRY E FIGGIE JR, CHAIRMAN OF FIGGIE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FIGI), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90221c0322 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, HARRY E FIGGIE JR, CHAIRMAN OF FIGGIE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FIGI), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90221c0323 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, HARRY E FIGGIE JR, CHAIRMAN OF FIGGIE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FIGI), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 536,863.

-30- 333
#90221c0324 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DONALD ROGER HOLLIS, VP OF FIRST CHICAGO CORP. (TICKER: FNB), BOUGHT 571 SHARES AT $26.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,671.

-30- 309
#90221c0326 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, BARRY F SULLIVAN, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST CHICAGO CORP. (TICKER: FNB), BOUGHT 170 SHARES AT $27.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,400.

-30- 324
#90221c0327 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, LAFAYETTE KEENEY, DIR. OF FLEET/NORSTAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FNG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,708.

-30- 342
#90221c0328 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JAMES J PREBLE, DIR. OF FLEET/NORSTAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FNG), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,768.

-30- 342
#90221c0329 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, WILLIS H NEWTON JR, VP OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 321
#90221c0330 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, KENNETH L TREFFTZS, DIR. OF FREMONT GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: FRMT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,996.

-30- 326
#90221c0331 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JAMES H HATCH, VP OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), SOLD 540 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,311.

-30- 296
#90221c0332 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, RICHARD G CLINE, CHAIRMAN OF NICOR INC. (TICKER:

GAS), SOLD 1,702 SHARES AT $37.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90221c0334 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, JOHN LAGANA JR, DIR. OF GATEWAY BANCORP INC.
(TICKER: GBAN), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90221c0335 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOHN LAGANA JR, DIR. OF GATEWAY BANCORP INC.
(TICKER: GBAN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 38,660.

-30- 312
#90221c0336 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, YVONNE A LEE, OFFICER OF GERBER PRODUCTS CO.
(TICKER: GEB), SOLD 626 SHARES AT $57.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90221c0337 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, YVONNE A LEE, OFFICER OF GERBER PRODUCTS CO.
(TICKER: GEB), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $56.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 963.

-30- 302
#90221c0338 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, YVONNE A LEE, OFFICER OF GERBER PRODUCTS CO.
(TICKER: GEB), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $56.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90221c0339 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, YVONNE A LEE, OFFICER OF GERBER PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: GEB), SOLD 572 SHARES AT $56.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,533.

-30- 302
#90221c0340 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, GARY L BLINKA, VP OF GEHL CO. (TICKER: GEHL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 280
#90221c0342 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, KENNETH F KAPLAN, VP OF GEHL CO. (TICKER: GEHL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 285
#90221c0343 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ARTHUR D LASTOFKA, VP OF GEHL CO. (TICKER: GEHL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90221c0344 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ARTHUR D LASTOFKA, VP OF GEHL CO. (TICKER: GEHL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,450.

-30- 288
#90221c0345 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, BERNARD L NIELSEN, PRES. OF GEHL CO. (TICKER: GEHL), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 291
#90221c0346 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RICHARD J SEMLER, VP OF GEHL CO. (TICKER: GEHL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 283
#90221c0347 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, PAUL E YOUNG, VP OF GEHL CO. (TICKER: GEHL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 278
#90221c0348 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, R TALMAGE FISH, VP OF GUILFORD MILLS INC. (TICKER: GFD), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 300
#90221c0350 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, DAVID L BURNER, VP OF THE GOODRICH (B.F.) CO. (TICKER: GR), SOLD 365 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90221c0351 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ROBERT E ELBERSON, DIR. OF GRAINGER (W.W.) INC. (TICKER: GWW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $68.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 315
#90221c0352 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, RONALD J MAREK, VP OF HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $41.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,070.

-30- 308
#90221c0353 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, CHRISTINA WILKINS, VP OF HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 310
#90221c0354 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1990, RONALD H GALOWICH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HEALTHCARE COMPARE CORP. (TICKER: HCCC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 155,850.

-30- 355
#90221c0355 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, KIRTLAND C GARDNER III, DIR. OF HUNTER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HESI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90221c0356 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, KIRTLAND C GARDNER III, DIR. OF HUNTER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HESI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 344
#90221c0358 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, WILLIAM E FLAHERTY, CHAIRMAN OF HORSEHEAD RESOURCE DEV CO. (TICKER: HHRD), SOLD 9,750,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,251,000.

-30- 356
#90221c0359 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, HORSEHEAD INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF HORSEHEAD RESOURCE DEV CO. (TICKER: HHRD), SOLD 9,750,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,250,000.

-30- 363
#90221c0360 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DAVID N JUDELSON, DIR. OF HORSEHEAD RESOURCE DEV CO. (TICKER: HHRD), SOLD 9,750,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,250,000.

-30- 346
#90221c0361 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, TINKHAM VEALE III, DIR. OF HORSEHEAD RESOURCE DEV CO. (TICKER: HHRD), SOLD 9,750,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,250,000.

-30- 342
#90221c0362 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, GEORGE MCGAVIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE KEITH GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: HKME), SOLD 6,050 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,000.

-30- 339
#90221c0363 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, STEVEN E WOLIS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE KEITH GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: HKME), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90221c0364 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, STEVEN E WOLIS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE KEITH GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: HKME), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90221c0366 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CARL J AHLGREN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HAWKINS CHEMICAL INC. (TICKER: HWKN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,222.

-30- 343
#90221c0367 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JOHN C EATON, VP OF HAWKINS CHEMICAL INC. (TICKER: HWKN), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,490.

-30- 309
#90221c0368 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, HOWARD M HAWKINS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HAWKINS CHEMICAL INC. (TICKER: HWKN), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90221c0369 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, HOWARD M HAWKINS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HAWKINS CHEMICAL INC. (TICKER: HWKN), SOLD 1,412 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,985.

-30- 343
#90221c0370 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, DAVID S GORDON, DIR. OF HYCOR BIOMEDICAL INC. (TICKER: HYBD), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $7.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 311
#90221c0371 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, MARK R CALLEGARI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INFORMIX CORP. (TICKER: IFMX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 448,077.

-30- 332
#90221c0372 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 01, 1990, MARK R CALLEGARI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INFORMIX CORP. (TICKER: IFMX), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $11.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90221c0374 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 02, 1990, MARK R CALLEGARI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INFORMIX CORP. (TICKER: IFMX), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90221c0375 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, MARK R CALLEGARI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INFORMIX CORP. (TICKER: IFMX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90221c0376 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, MARK R CALLEGARI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INFORMIX CORP. (TICKER: IFMX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 430,077.

-30- 332
#90221c0377 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, PETER BALJET, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY CORP. (TICKER: INT), BOUGHT 345 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 345.

-30- 312
#90221c0378 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, MAX PALEVSKY, DIR. OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90221c0379 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, MAX PALEVSKY, DIR. OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $51.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 165,867.

-30- 297
#90221c0380 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, LOUIS F LEDERER, DIR. OF ISCO INC. (TICKER: ISKO), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,408.

-30- 295
#90221c0382 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, STUART B COHEN, VP OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 311
#90221c0383 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, EDWARD LONGO, VP OF KEANE INC. (TICKER: KEA), SOLD 3,085 SHARES AT $17.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 248
#90221c0384 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, ROBERT E WYATT, VP OF KEANE INC. (TICKER: KEA), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 620.

-30- 285
#90221c0385 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, CLAYTON C JESWEAK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KYSOR INDUSTRIAL CORP. (TICKER: KZ), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,730.

-30- 344
#90221c0386 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 14, 1990, LARRY J DAVIS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LARSON-DAVIS INC. (TICKER: LDII), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,004,520.

-30- 335
#90221c0387 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 14, 1990, BRIAN G LARSON, PRES. OF LARSON-DAVIS INC. (TICKER: LDII), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 976,854.

-30- 315
#90221c0388 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, BERTRAND L MCTEAGUE, DIR. OF LYDALL INC. (TICKER: LDL), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 294
#90221c0390 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, GEORGE H BODEEN, CHAIRMAN OF LINDBERG CORP. (TICKER: LIND), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 459,641.

-30- 311
#90221c0391 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90221c0392 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90221c0393 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90221c0394 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 3,200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90221c0395 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,300.

-30- 306
#90221c0396 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JACK L BROZMAN, PRES. OF LA PETITE ACADEMY INC. (TICKER: LPAI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 277,360.

-30- 323
#90221c0398 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, ROBERT F BROZMAN, CHAIRMAN OF LA PETITE ACADEMY INC. (TICKER: LPAI), SOLD 29,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90221c0399 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, ROBERT F BROZMAN, CHAIRMAN OF LA PETITE ACADEMY INC. (TICKER: LPAI), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,055,020.

-30- 336
#90221c0400 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JAMES S KOFORD, VP OF LSI LOGIC CORP. (TICKER: LSI), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,050.

-30- 295
#90221c0401 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, WILLIAM K GERBER, OFFICER OF THE LIMITED INC. (TICKER: LTD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,940.

-30- 309
#90221c0402 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, YUTAKA KISANUKI, DIR. OF LTX CORP. (TICKER: LTXX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90221c0403 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, YUTAKA KISANUKI, DIR. OF LTX CORP. (TICKER: LTXX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90221c0404 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, YUTAKA KISANUKI, DIR. OF LTX CORP. (TICKER: LTXX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90221c0406 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, YUTAKA KISANUKI, DIR. OF LTX CORP. (TICKER: LTXX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90221c0407 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, YUTAKA KISANUKI, DIR. OF LTX CORP. (TICKER: LTXX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 121,500.

-30- 295
#90221c0408 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, GRAHAM C MILLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LTX CORP. (TICKER: LTXX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 377,702.

-30- 319
#90221c0409 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ROBERT W MURRAY, VP OF MAGNETEK INC. (TICKER: MAG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,800.

-30- 296
#90221c0410 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 632,503.

-30- 316
#90221c0411 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, LEON J KARVELIS JR, VP OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 293
#90221c0412 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOHN R WORTHINGTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCIC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $37.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90221c0414 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, BERNARD A BRIDGEWATER JR, DIR. OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $43.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 334
#90221c0415 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 01, 1990, PAUL V ROSSI, VP OF MEDICAL ACTION INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: MDCI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 318
#90221c0416 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, RICHARD M SMITH, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 210 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 302
#90221c0417 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, FRANCIS H ARNONE, VP OF MELVILLE CORP. (TICKER: MES), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $51.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90221c0418 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, FRANCIS H ARNONE, VP OF MELVILLE CORP. (TICKER: MES), SOLD 1,040 SHARES AT $53.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,435.

-30- 298
#90221c0419 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, LARRY A MCVEY, VP OF MELVILLE CORP. (TICKER: MES), SOLD 960 SHARES AT $52.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,776.

-30- 289
#90221c0420 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DANIEL J TERRA, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MERCURY FINANCE CO. (TICKER: MFN), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90221c0422 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, DANIEL J TERRA, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MERCURY FINANCE CO. (TICKER: MFN), SOLD 5,333 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90221c0423 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, DANIEL J TERRA, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MERCURY FINANCE CO. (TICKER: MFN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,083,272.

-30- 345
#90221c0424 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, ALFRED E CLEVELAND, DIR. OF MID-SOUTH INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: MIDS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90221c0425 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ALFRED E CLEVELAND, DIR. OF MID-SOUTH INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: MIDS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 328
#90221c0426 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, TIMOTHY E LISS, OFFICER OF MCCORMICK CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: MKOR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90221c0427 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, TIMOTHY E LISS, OFFICER OF MCCORMICK CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: MKOR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 324
#90221c0428 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, EDMUND M GRABER, VP OF THE MIDLAND CO. (TICKER: MLA), SOLD 1,600 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 152.

-30- 295
#90221c0430 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JAMES V ADAM, VP OF MGI PHARMA INC. (TICKER: MOGN), SOLD 1,098 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,085.

-30- 295
#90221c0431 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, VINCENT J RAUNER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 6,600 SHARES AT $87.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,541.

-30- 296
#90221c0432 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, EARL J WOFSEY, CHAIRMAN OF MET-PRO CORP. (TICKER: MPR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90221c0433 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, EARL J WOFSEY, CHAIRMAN OF MET-PRO CORP. (TICKER: MPR), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90221c0434 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, EARL J WOFSEY, CHAIRMAN OF MET-PRO CORP. (TICKER: MPR), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,725.

-30- 306
#90221c0435 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, FRED D HAFER, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,359.

-30- 312
#90221c0436 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, JON F CHAIT, DIR. OF MARSHALL & ILSLEY CORP. (TICKER: MRIS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,173.

-30- 312
#90221c0438 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, EDWARD J SOT, OFFICER OF MERCK & CO. (TICKER: MRK), SOLD 3,900 SHARES AT $86.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,850.

-30- 296
#90221c0439 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RICHARD J WEED, OFFICER OF MERRIMACK BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MRMK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 324
#90221c0440 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 16, 1990, JEREMY BUTLER, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 38,000 SHARES AT $63.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,014.

-30- 297
#90221c0441 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 23, 1990, FRANCIS J GAUDETTE, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 18,998 SHARES AT $58.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,724.

-30- 310
#90221c0442 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1990, FRANCIS J GAUDETTE, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER:

MSFT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $64.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90221c0443 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 23, 1990, FRANCIS J GAUDETTE, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $75.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,724.

-30- 310
#90221c0444 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 08, 1990, RICHARD C MACINTOSH, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 3,334 SHARES AT $62.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 310
#90221c0446 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 18, 1990, NATHAN MYHRVOLD, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $90.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90221c0447 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 08, 1990, NATHAN MYHRVOLD, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $90.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90221c0448 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1989, NATHAN MYHRVOLD, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $81.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90221c0449 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MARK M LEVIN, CHAIRMAN OF THE MID-SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: MSRR), BOUGHT 616 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 172,376.

-30- 310
#90221c0450 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, HAROLD W ALLMACHER, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK CORP. (MI) (TICKER: MTCL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90221c0451 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, HAROLD W ALLMACHER, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK CORP. (MI) (TICKER: MTCL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,116.

-30- 334
#90221c0452 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, JAMES T CRESSWELL, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK CORP. (MI) (TICKER: MTCL), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,344.

-30- 332
#90221c0454 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, BRIAN P KIMBALL, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK CORP. (MI) (TICKER: MTCL), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,440.

-30- 328
#90221c0455 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JOHN J MULSO, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK CORP. (MI) (TICKER: MTCL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,035.

-30- 324
#90221c0456 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, HOWARD J BRESSLER, VP OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $55.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90221c0457 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, HOWARD J BRESSLER, VP OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $58.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,508.

-30- 295
#90221c0458 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, DAVID FREEDMAN, CHAIRMAN OF NEW BRUNSWICK SCIENTIFIC CO. (TICKER: NBSC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90221c0459 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, DAVID FREEDMAN, CHAIRMAN OF NEW BRUNSWICK SCIENTIFIC CO. (TICKER: NBSC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90221c0460 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DAVID FREEDMAN, CHAIRMAN OF NEW BRUNSWICK SCIENTIFIC CO. (TICKER: NBSC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 514,007.

-30- 341
#90221c0462 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, RICHARD B LEATHER, DIR. OF NEWMONT MINING CORP.

(TICKER: NEM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $46.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90221c0463 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RICHARD B LEATHER, DIR. OF NEWMONT MINING CORP. (TICKER: NEM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $47.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,422.

-30- 316
#90221c0464 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, CLAUDE A SMITH, DIV. OFFICER OF NALCO CHEMICAL CO. (TICKER: NLC), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $60.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,276.

-30- 322
#90221c0465 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, KAREN E PURPUR, OFFICER OF NORDSTROM INC. (TICKER: NOBE), SOLD 831 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,570.

-30- 305
#90221c0466 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JOHN H MICHAEL, CHAIRMAN OF NOXSO CORP. (TICKER: NOXO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90221c0467 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, JOHN H MICHAEL, CHAIRMAN OF NOXSO CORP. (TICKER: NOXO), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90221c0468 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JOHN H MICHAEL, CHAIRMAN OF NOXSO CORP. (TICKER: NOXO), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90221c0470 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JOHN H MICHAEL, CHAIRMAN OF NOXSO CORP. (TICKER: NOXO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90221c0471 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JOHN H MICHAEL, CHAIRMAN OF NOXSO CORP. (TICKER: NOXO), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90221c0472 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JOHN H MICHAEL, CHAIRMAN OF NOXSO CORP. (TICKER: NOXO), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 187,500.

-30- 307
#90221c0473 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, WILLIAM H SCHOENDORF, VP OF NICHOLS RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: NRES), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,750.

-30- 325
#90221c0474 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, THOMAS M ZAKRZEWSKI, VP OF NICHOLS RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: NRES), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 320
#90221c0475 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, GENE K BEARE, DIR. OF NOONEY REALTY TRUST. (TICKER: NRTI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,750.

-30- 317
#90221c0476 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, BERNARD MARCUS, DIR. OF NATIONAL SERVICE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NSI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 314
#90221c0478 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, FRED G HEIVILIN, VP OF OIL-DRI CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: OILC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,053.

-30- 320
#90221c0479 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, RUTH C SPATZ, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF OSMONICS INC. (TICKER: OSMO), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $14.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 358,066.

-30- 349
#90221c0480 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JACOB B LILLESTOL, OFFICER OF OTTER TAIL POWER CO. (TICKER: OTTR), SOLD 150 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 324
#90221c0481 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MARY S METZ, DIR. OF PACIFIC TELESIS GROUP (TICKER: PAC), BOUGHT 116 SHARES AT $41.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 725.

-30- 310
#90221c0482 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, WALTER D BLOGOSLAWSKI, DIR. OF PEOPLES SAVINGS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PBNB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,900.

-30- 351
#90221c0483 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, EMORY S AKERMAN JR, VP OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), SOLD 2,400 SHARES AT $41.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90221c0484 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, EMORY S AKERMAN JR, VP OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $41.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90221c0486 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, G F JEWETT JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), SOLD 66,900 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90221c0487 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, G F JEWETT JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), SOLD 32,600 SHARES AT $41.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90221c0488 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, G F JEWETT JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $40.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,954.

-30- 321
#90221c0489 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, G F JEWETT JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $39.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,271,726.

-30- 333
#90221c0490 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, WILLIAM D LARSSON, VP OF PRECISION CASTPARTS CORP. (TICKER: PCP), SOLD 2,642 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,340.

-30- 323
#90221c0491 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, GERALD D LAUBACH, PRES. OF PFIZER INC. (TICKER: PFE), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $73.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90221c0492 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, GERALD D LAUBACH, PRES. OF PFIZER INC. (TICKER: PFE), SOLD 13,500 SHARES AT $73.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,864.

-30- 303
#90221c0494 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 18, 1990, DAVID D TRIPPLE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE PIONEER GROUP INC. (TICKER: PIOG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,280.

-30- 341
#90221c0495 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 07, 1990, JAMES GRIMM, VP OF NATIONAL PIZZA CORP. (TICKER: PIZA), SOLD 1,470 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90221c0496 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, DAVID F BRUBAKER, PRES. OF LEINER (P.) NUTRITIONAL PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: PLI), SOLD 151,171 SHARES AT $11.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 302,348.

-30- 352
#90221c0497 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, KEVIN J LANIGAN, VP OF LEINER (P.) NUTRITIONAL PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: PLI), SOLD 10,800 SHARES AT $11.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,600.

-30- 342
#90221c0498 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, MICHAEL R LEINER, CHAIRMAN OF LEINER (P.) NUTRITIONAL PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: PLI), SOLD 52,400 SHARES AT $11.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 104,701.

-30- 353
#90221c0499 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RICHARD N PALLAN, DIR. OF LEINER (P.) NUTRITIONAL PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: PLI), SOLD 8,475 SHARES AT $11.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,950.

-30- 343
#90221c0500 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, STANLEY WERNICK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PALL CORP. (TICKER: PLL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $34.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,832.

-30- 317
#90221c0502 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, EDWARD I SPROULL JR, VP OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), SOLD 676 SHARES AT $52.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,078.

-30- 298
#90221c0503 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, WALTER R WOODS, SHAREHOLDER OF PICO PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: PPI), SOLD 7,060 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 141,500.

-30- 315
#90221c0504 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ROBERT S BRIGGS, OFFICER OF PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP. (TICKER: PROT), BOUGHT 140 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,019.

-30- 323
#90221c0505 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, WILLIAM J RUSHTON III, CHAIRMAN OF PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP. (TICKER: PROT), SOLD 7,173 SHARES AT $13.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 320,903.

-30- 335
#90221c0506 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, WILLIAM J RUSHTON III, CHAIRMAN OF PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP. (TICKER: PROT), BOUGHT 7,173 SHARES AT $13.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 389,195.

-30- 334
#90221c0507 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RODNEY E SLIFER, DIR. OF PUBLIC SERVICE CO. OF COLORADO (TICKER: PSR), BOUGHT 103 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,630.

-30- 323
#90221c0508 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 13, 1986, JOYCE E GALLEHER, DIR. OF PACIFIC TELECOM INC. (TICKER: PTCM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90221c0510 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, JAMES H BOLTON, CHAIRMAN OF PROVENA FOODS INC. (TICKER: PVNA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

-30- 316
#90221c0511 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, MARILYN K WALLEN, VP OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 297
#90221c0512 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, RICHARD E WEITZEL, VP OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $0.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

500.

-30- 293
#90221c0513 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, RICHARD E WEITZEL, VP OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $0.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 295
#90221c0514 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 23, 1990, AL E METZNER, OFFICER OF REEDS JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: REED), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 317
#90221c0515 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, RICHARD G SNYDER, PRES. OF REFLECTONE INC. (TICKER: RFTN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 310
#90221c0516 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, RICHARD G SNYDER, PRES. OF REFLECTONE INC. (TICKER: RFTN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90221c0518 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, RICHARD G SNYDER, PRES. OF REFLECTONE INC. (TICKER: RFTN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 311

#90221c0519 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, DAVID J RUGGLES, VP OF ROHR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RHR), SOLD 1,564 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,000.

-30- 302
#90221c0520 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, GREGORY C CLARK, DIR. OF REAL ESTATE SECURITIES INCOME FUND INC. (TICKER: RIF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90221c0521 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, GREGORY C CLARK, DIR. OF REAL ESTATE SECURITIES INCOME FUND INC. (TICKER: RIF), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 348
#90221c0522 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, PAUL GRANZIER, VP OF RPM INC. (TICKER: RPOW), BOUGHT 140 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,342.

-30- 281
#90221c0523 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DAVID C ROSE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ROSE'S STORES INC. (TICKER: RSTO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90221c0524 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, DAVID C ROSE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ROSE'S STORES INC. (TICKER: RSTO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90221c0526 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, HAROLD K ROBERTS, DIR. OF RYAN'S FAMILY STEAK HOUSES INC. (TICKER: RYAN), BOUGHT 487 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,904.

-30- 337
#90221c0527 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, R KEITH MCCANN, VP OF RYKOFF-SEXTON INC. (TICKER: RYK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 306
#90221c0528 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JON D STEPHENS, CHAIRMAN OF SAGE ANALYTICS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: SAII), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,650.

-30- 340
#90221c0529 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JOHN K HOUSSELS III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SHOWBOAT INC. (TICKER: SBO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,250.

-30- 331
#90221c0530 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 01, 1989, HOWARD H CALLAWAY, DIR. OF SCI SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SCIS), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,611.

-30- 316
#90221c0531 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALFRED GROSSMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SECURITY ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SENV), BOUGHT 10,300 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,518,730.

-30- 377
#90221c0532 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALFRED GROSSMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SECURITY ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SENV), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,765,437.

-30- 377
#90221c0534 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, GARY E CARLTON, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), SOLD 416 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90221c0535 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JAMES L MANN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUNGARD DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SNDT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 327,372.

-30- 348
#90221c0536 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JAMES E KNOTT, DIR. OF STEWART & STEVENSON SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SSSS), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $34.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,500.

-30- 330
#90221c0537 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, IFTIKHAR H KAZMI, VP OF SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTL INC. (TICKER: SUP), SOLD 2,100 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90221c0538 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, IFTIKHAR H KAZMI, VP OF SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTL INC. (TICKER: SUP), SOLD 3,208 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 315
#90221c0539 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, LARRY BACHEL, VP OF SCOR U.S. CORP. (TICKER: SUR), SOLD 2,095 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,387.

-30- 293
#90221c0540 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, HOUGHTON S SMITH III, VP OF SUPER VALU STORES INC. (TICKER: SVU), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 319
#90221c0542 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, MICHAEL O MAFFIE, PRES. OF SOUTHWEST GAS CORP. (TICKER: SWX), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,128.

-30- 311
#90221c0543 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ROBERT S SUNDT, DIR. OF SOUTHWEST GAS CORP. (TICKER: SWX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 306
#90221c0544 08/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, CHARLES J WALSH, DIR. OF SEARCH EXPLORATION INC. (TICKER: SXEI), SOLD 37,000 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,364.

-30- 323
#90221c0545 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, SHELDON F PECKAR, OFFICER OF THE IMAGE BANK INC. (TICKER: TIBI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 319
#90221c0546 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JAMES L MELSA, OFFICER OF TELLABS INC. (TICKER: TLAB), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 420.

-30- 300
#90221c0547 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JAMES R GREENE, DIR. OF UNITED TOTE INC. (TICKER: TOTE), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 302
#90221c0548 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, MICHAEL P MILLER, OFFICER OF TOYS 'R' US INC. (TICKER: TOY), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 305.

-30- 310
#90221c0550 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, ALEX A MEYER, DIR. OF THE TORO CO. (TICKER: TTC),

BOUGHT 208 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 955.

-30- 285
#90221c0551 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, ROBERT H NASSAU, DIR. OF THE TORO CO. (TICKER: TTC), BOUGHT 208 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 534.

-30- 289
#90221c0552 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, DALE R OLSETH, DIR. OF THE TORO CO. (TICKER: TTC), BOUGHT 208 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,604.

-30- 290
#90221c0553 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JEROME J RICHARDSON, PRES. OF TW HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: TWFS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.93 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,074,000.

-30- 323
#90221c0554 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, CARL B DAVIDSON, VP OF TEXACO INC. (TICKER: TX), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $60.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,103.

-30- 289
#90221c0555 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, DONALD L CRISWELL, DIR. OF UNIONFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UFF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90221c0556 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, DONALD L CRISWELL, DIR. OF UNIONFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UFF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 327
#90221c0558 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, REZA AMIN, BEN. OWNER OF VIDMARK INC. (TICKER: VDMK), SOLD 28,646 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 453,536.

-30- 305
#90221c0559 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, BARRY M BARNHOLTZ, VP OF VIDMARK INC. (TICKER: VDMK), SOLD 33,540 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 608,769.

-30- 304
#90221c0560 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ROGER A BURLAGE, PRES. OF VIDMARK INC. (TICKER: VDMK), SOLD 4,623 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,915.

-30- 303
#90221c0561 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, SAID PIRNAZAR, OFFICER OF VIDMARK INC. (TICKER: VDMK), SOLD 10,171 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,244.

-30- 306
#90221c0562 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JAMES MICHAEL STROHAN, OFFICER OF VICORP RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: VRES), SOLD 1,325 SHARES AT $25.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90221c0563 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JAMES MICHAEL STROHAN, OFFICER OF VICORP RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: VRES), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 334
#90221c0564 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOHN S PETERS, VP OF WAXMAN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WAX), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50.

-30- 295
#90221c0566 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, HARVEY KRIEGER, CHAIRMAN OF WARNER COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: WCP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90221c0567 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, HARVEY KRIEGER, CHAIRMAN OF WARNER COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: WCP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90221c0568 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, HARVEY KRIEGER, CHAIRMAN OF WARNER COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: WCP), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,615,923.

-30- 339
#90221c0569 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, VON R ESHLEMAN, DIR. OF WATKINS-JOHNSON CO. (TICKER:

WJ), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 310
#90221c0570 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, WILLIAM J REIK JR, VP OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), BOUGHT 9,800 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90221c0571 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, WILLIAM J REIK JR, VP OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90221c0572 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, WILLIAM J REIK JR, VP OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90221c0574 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, WILLIAM J REIK JR, VP OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90221c0575 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, WILLIAM J REIK JR, VP OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 582,747.

-30- 308
#90221c0576 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, KENNETH J WHALEN, DIR. OF WARNER-LAMBERT CO. (TICKER: WLA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $67.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,614.

-30- 313
#90221c0577 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, VIOLET J DALY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF WORLDCORP. (TICKER: WOA), SOLD 4,300 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90221c0578 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, VIOLET J DALY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF WORLDCORP. (TICKER: WOA), SOLD 4,700 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90221c0579 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, VIOLET J DALY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF WORLDCORP. (TICKER: WOA), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90221c0580 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, VIOLET J DALY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF WORLDCORP. (TICKER: WOA), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90221c0582 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, WILLIAM M JACOBI, VP OF WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORP. (TICKER: WX), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,390.

-30- 320

#90221c0583 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JOHN R HERRING, VP OF WYLE LABORATORIES (TICKER: WYL), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90221c0584 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JOHN R HERRING, VP OF WYLE LABORATORIES (TICKER: WYL), SOLD 2,400 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90221c0585 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, JOHN R HERRING, VP OF WYLE LABORATORIES (TICKER: WYL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,078.

-30- 309
#90221c0586 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, STANLEY A WAINER, CHAIRMAN OF WYLE LABORATORIES (TICKER: WYL), SOLD 8,750 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,687.

-30- 322
#90221c0587 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, CHAIRMAN OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90221c0588 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, CHAIRMAN OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90221c0590 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, CHAIRMAN OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $20.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,200.

-30- 303
#90221c0591 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 16, 1990, JAMES R LAJOIE, VP OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90221c0592 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 16, 1990, JAMES R LAJOIE, VP OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,750.

-30- 287
#90221c0593 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 815,000 SHARES (6.40%) OF BANTA CORP (TICKER: BNTA) OF MENASHA, WI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 500
#90221c0594 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWNS 1,697,500 SHARES (12.90%) OF LAMSON & SESSIONS CO (TICKER: LMS) OF CLEVELAND, OH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From June 29, 1990 through August 7, 1990, Industrial Equity Pacific LTD purchased 146,200 shares in the open market for the aggregate purchase price of $873,095.40, inclusive of brokerage commission.

-30- 589
#90221c0595 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 31, 1990, the U.S. bankruptcy court for the middle district of Georgia, Macon Division, entered an order in a series of cases entitled In Re Wall Tire Distributors Inc., et al., case numbers 89-52423 through 89-42425, inclusive. The order approved an agreement to compromise claims and settle disputes by and among Automotive Ind. Inc.(TICKER: AUIN), General, and others, dated June 14, 1990. The agreement provided that, upon the execution of the order, General's warrants to purchase 1,450,000 shares of common stock of Automotive Industries Inc. shall be deemed to be null and void.

PURPOSE:

Court approval of agreement to compromise claims and settle disputes and nullification of General's warrants.

-30- 959
#90221c0596 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 28

ANNOUNCEMENT: A preliminary count of votes cast by the shareholders of National Intergroup Inc.(TICKER: NII) indicate a landslide victory for the Centaur group and its proposals and nominees.

-30- 413
#90221c0598 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As of July 30, 1990, Pacific Southwest Corp. is no longer acting as a group with Industries Equity (Pacific) Ltd. and no longer provides investment management and research services with respect to such shares.

-30- 443
#90221c0599 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

M.L. EVERETT OWNS 538,518 SHARES (13.60%) OF HOLLYWOOD PARK REALTY ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: HTRFZ) OF INGLEWOOD, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: The shares of Hollywood Park Reality Enterprises are paired with the shares of Hollywood Park Operating Co. M.L. Everett purchased 6,348 paired shares for $24 per share on Aug. 12, 1986 and on Sept. 23, 1986 unpaired the shares and transferred the 6,348 shares of HPOC shares to the Winston Canine Trust. From Sept. 9, 1986 to June 7, 1989, M.L. Everett sold 150,000 paired shares for $21.50 per share. In April 1990, M.L. Everett was granted options to purchase 100,000 paired shares pursuant to the stock option agreement with the companies.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 930
#90221c0600 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

M.L. EVERETT OWNS 346,376 SHARES (8.70%) OF HOLLYWOOD PARK REALTY ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: HTRFZ) OF INGLEWOOD, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: The shares of Hollywood Park Reality Enterprises Inc. are paired with the shares of Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises Inc. M.L. Everett purchased 6,348 paired shares for $24 per share on Aug. 12, 1986 and on Sept. 23, 1986 unpaired the shares and transferred the 6,348 shares of HPOC shares to the inston Canine Trust. From Sept. 9, 1986 to June 7, 1989, M.L. Everett sold 150,000 paired shares for $21.50 per share. In April 1990, M.L. Everett was granted options to purchase 100,000 paired shares pursuant to the stock option agreement with the companies.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 941
#90221c0601 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GROUP LED BY KAUFMAN ALSBERG & CO INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 735,200 SHARES (12.70%) OF KYSOR INDUSTRIAL CORP (TICKER: KZ) OF CADILLAC, MI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 3, 1990, Kaufmann sold 52,200 shares to Enstar Financial Services Inc., a subsidiary of the Enstar Group Inc., for $10.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 569
#90221c0602 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY P. FROST OWNS 3,182,810 SHARES (29.60%) OF IVAX CORP (TICKER: IVX) OF MIAMI, FL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 5, 1990 and Aug. 3, 1990, P. Frost purchased 101,600 shares at a price of $10.50 to $12.25 per share and exercised 150,000 warrants at a price of $2.40 each.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

-30- 529
#90221c0603 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 553,221 SHARES (11.84%) OF AARON RENTS INC (TICKER: ARON) OF ATLANTA, GA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between May 29, 1990 and Aug. 6, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 56,800 shares at $9 to $10.25 per share and sold 20,000 shares at $9.25 to $9.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 549
#90221c0604 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M/A-COM INC OWNS 1,545,997 SHARES (9.31%) OF INTERNATIONAL MOBILE MACHINE CORP (TICKER: IMMC) OF KING OF PRUSSIA, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M/A-COM is the holder of a promissory note dated July 31, 1990, made by International Mobile Machine Corp. in the principal amount of $7,700,000 and, M/A-Com Inc. has the right to receive a second promissory note from International Mobile Machine Corp. pursuant to an agreement between International Mobile Machine Corp. and M/A-Com Inc., which promissory notes constitute payment of an obligation owed by International Mobile Machine Corp. to M/A-COM in connection with the design, development and manufacture of telecommunications equipment for International Mobile Machine Corp. Each of the promissory notes is convertible into common stock of International Mobile Machine Corp. at $5.49 per share. International Mobile Machine Corp. and M/A-COM have executed a letter agreement, dated June 27, 1990, regarding the issuance of the note and a second promissory note to M/A-COM in the principal amount of $707,885.73 and, under this agreement, International Mobile Machine Corp. has granted M/A-COM certain registration rights with respect to the shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes.

PURPOSE:

Promissory note and letter agreement.

-30- 1536
#90221c0606 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

W.F. AMEND OWNS 161,632 SHARES (7.20%) OF PORTAGE INDUSTRIES CORP (TICKER: PTG) OF PORTAGE, WI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 54,375 shares which may be acquired by exercise of outstanding options. As of April 6, 1990, options granted to Mr. Amend under Portage Ind. Corp.'s 1986 stock option plan, covering 3,000 and 7,000 shares, were declared vested by Portage Ind. Corp.'s board and became exercisable at the price of $1.875 and $3.375 per share, respectively.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 727
#90221c0607 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 64

GROUP LED BY NAV CORP OWNS 2,074,884 SHARES (31.40%) OF CYPRESS FUND INC (TICKER: WJR) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In an Aug. 8, 1990 letter, Nav Corp. requested information regarding the Fund's retention of Mitchell Hutchins Asset Management over the requests of NAV to replace MHAM.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Nav Corp. purchased 255,000 shares from May 23 to Aug. 8, 1990 for $8.88 to $9.88.

PURPOSE:

Letter to Cypress Fund Inc.

-30- 643
#90221c0608 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY CORNWALL PETROLEUM HOLDINGS INC OWNS 51,174,611 SHARES (72.60%) OF TAURUS PETROLEUM INC (TICKER: TAUR) OF SAN ANTONIO, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On May 22, 1990, Cornish and Curnow each received 250,000 shares in exchange for arranging letters of credit for a total of $420,000 and providing for a deposit of $210,000 to collateralize the letters of credit. On July 30, 1990, Cornish and Curnow each acquired 4 million shares and an option for an additional 16 million shares in exchange for $50,000 each. The group presently intends to look for merger opportunities

for Taurus Petroleum Inc. with other corporations, and for opportunities for Taurus Petroleum Inc. to acquire producing and non-producing oil interests.

PURPOSE:

Shares acquired in exchange for arranging for a letter of credit and through a private placement.

-30- 1074
#90221c0609 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In an Aug. 8, 1990 letter to the boards of First State Financial Services (TICKER: FSFI) and its First DeWitt Savings and Loan Associates subsidiary, David Bolger has demanded that First State Financial Services take appropriate steps, including instituting litigation, against the officers and directors responsible for acts of corporate mismanagement and misconduct and breaches of fiduciary duty.

PURPOSE:

Request for litigation against officers and directors of First State Financial Services.

-30- 750
#90221c0610 08/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 9, 1990, Saint-Gobain announced that the offer expired on Aug. 8, 1990, with 19.5 million shares tendered and accepted for $90 per share, representing 95 percent of the outstanding shares. Saint-Gobain intends to

merge SG Acquisition with Norton Co. (TICKER: NRT) immediately following a special meeting of stockholders of Norton to vote on the merger. Pursuant to the merger agreement, Norton Company has entered into employment agreements with John M. Nelson, Chairman and CEO of Norton Company, Bernard G. Meyer, executive vice president and a director of Norton Company, and certain other executives.

-30- 848

#90221d0010 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (AUG. 9) - Bangladesh's export earnings increased by 21 percent during the last fiscal year with exports totalling 1.4 billion U.S. dollars, a minister said Thursday.

The figure was 90 million dollars more than the targeted export earning of 1.3 billion dollars for the year ending June 30, Commerce Minister Shamsul Haque was quoted as saying at an official meeting.

He said during the previous fiscal year, Bangladesh earned 1.2 billion dollars through exporting various commodities. The minister gave no reason for the increase.

Bangladesh's major exports include clothing, leather products, jute goods, tea, and frozen food.

-30- 837

#90221d0040 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) - The White House said Thursday the U.S. deployment of troops to Saudi Arabia was being carried out successfully.

Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said: "We're very satisfied with the course of events during the last 24 hours. U.S. forces have successfully moved to help defend saudi Arabia."

The spokesman said he was "heartened" by a unanimous U.N. Security Council resolution earlier Thursday declaring Iraq's annexation of Kuwait Wednesday to be "null and void."

He said the Saudi Government was continuing "to pursue international participation in their own defense, and this amounts to a very complex but rapid combining of international interests to thwart the aggression of (Iraqi leader) Saddam Hussein."

The spokesman said President George Bush had telephoned the leaders of Turkey, Oman and the United Arab Emirates, and that all three had "expressed satisfaction regarding the concerted efforts of the international community."

Recently, U.S. officials have been expressing frustration at the position of Jordan's King Hussein.

But at his press briefing, Mr. Fitzwater said: "We note that Jordan has indicated it intends to abide by U.N. sanctions against Iraq. This is a further positive step that highlights the international community's attitude. It also indicates that King Hussein has recognized the threat that Saddam Hussein represents to the Arab world."

-30- 1626

#90221d0180 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 9) - Foreign diplomats in Kuwait have been told they have two weeks to leave the country and go to Baghdad following Iraq's annexation of Kuwait, the British Foreign Office said here Thursday.

"We've been told from Kuwait that the diplomatic representation is now in Baghdad," a spokesman said.

Iraq had no objection to diplomats remaining in Kuwait during the two-week period to look after their national interests there, the spokesman said, adding that British diplomats would remain in Kuwait for the time being.

-30- 719

#90221d0210 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DURBAN, South Africa (AUG. 9) - The anti-apartheid African National Congress Women's League (ANCWL) was re-launched here Thursday planning to "infiltrate" the ANC before it ends talks with the South African government.

Baleka Kgositsile, the ANCWL's secretary who fled South Africa in 1976 after the black township of Soweto, near Johannesburg, erupted into massive riots, said women wanted up to 30 percent of the nominations for ANC posts when the ANC formally reconvenes inside the country on December 16.

The once active ANCWL, which was first launched in 1948 and waged numerous defiance campaigns and demonstrations against apartheid, was re-launched on South Africa's National Women's Day Thursday after being banned for 30 years.

President Frederik de Klerk legalised the ANC and 23 other anti-apartheid organisations on February 2 and last Tuesday the ANC and government held a second round of historic preliminary talks which saw the ANC suspend the 30-year guerrilla war it has waged against the white-minority government.

Observers believe that the accord reached Tuesday -- known as the Pretoria Minute -- has paved the way for South Africa to break out of its political impasse and to move quickly towards a negotiated political settlement.

Lindiwe Mabuza, the ANC's chief representative in Washington, slammed previous government attempts at birth control as "geared to the elimination of the black population."

To supportive murmurs of "genocide," Miss. Mabuza said future ANC policy would be geared to giving women a choice on contraception, not population control.

The ANCWL is considering the appointment of a national commission to consider the emancipation of women, the SAPA news agency said Thursday.

ANCWL members said the ANC was committed to the adoption of a charter of women's rights as a constitutional instrument in a post-apartheid South Africa and the formulation of policies that will encompass the full emancipation of women.

The wife of ANC president Oliver Tambo, Adelaide Tambo, who returned from exile to attend the re-launch, will Friday tour strife-torn black townships near here where some 3,000 people have been killed in a bloody Zulu civil war in the past four years.

The civil war has been raging between supporters of Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's conservative Inkatha party and the ANC-aligned United Democratic Front.

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#90221d0660 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 9) - The 21 industrialized countries belonging to the International Energy Agency (IEA) decided here Thursday that the threat to oil supplies is insufficient to justify immediate and exceptional measures, particularly through release of governmental stocks.

But while warning against panic, it said that IEA countries had to prepare for introduction of emergency measures if the supply situation worsened. Referring to the surge in oil prices caused by the embargo against oil from Iraq and Kuwait, the president of the IAE management committee, Ulrich Engelmann, said: "There is no shortage so far."

He said: "What you see, the increase of prices, is a typical speculative reaction to negative political developments." So "there is no reason to activate the emergency system of the IEA," he said.

There was unanimous agreement that the current situation was not serious,

and this was supported even by the countries most dependent on oil from the embargoed sources, such as Turkey, IEA executive director Helga Steeg said.

Engelmann said: "No member suggested drawing on government stocks now." The management commitee is to meet in Paris on August 23, and Engelmann said the true effects of the embargo on consuming countries would not be known for two weeks.

He expressed confidence that industrialized countries could face up to the situation despite the shortfall of embargoed oil, representing 4.6 million barrels per day.

Oil stocks representing 99 days of consumption in the 24 countries of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and 150 days of imports for IEA countries are much higher than in 1979.

Minimizing the threat of price tension, he noted that oil prices had fallen on Thursday. West Texas Intermediate opened Thursday down 0.51 dollars at 22.45 dollars per barrel.

Engelmann said consuming countries could ask un-named producing countries to increase production. But Steeg noted that maintenance work on North Sea installations would prevent Britain from increasing output.

Engelmann said that IEA countries had to prepare to be able at any time to introduce emergency measures in case the situation worsened. But he urged oil companies and consumers "not to run in a panic situation" - as had some governments such as the French administration.

The IEA has two mechanisms designed to cope with an oil crisis. The first, the emergency oil sharing system, provides for allocation of available oil supplies to members on a formula based on their consumption levels. It can be invoked if supplies to some or all members are cut by seven percent or more, but has in fact never been implemented.

The second option is for the IAE to issue recommendations. It could, for example, advise members to release onto the market part of government-held stocks, which are particularly large in Japan, West Germany and the United States.

Total government stocks in the IEA total 142 million tons, or 150 days' worth of imports, against 25 million tons at the time of the second oil crunch in 1979.

The IEA could also recommend measures to reduce consumption, or ask other countries to increase output to compensate for the lost Iraqi and Kuwaiti supplies.

Individual governments are free to choose the measures they think appropriate in such circumstances, which could include operating power plants on gas and coal rather than fuel oil, or energy saving.

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#90221d0690 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 9) - The United Nations Security Council, by a 15-0 vote, Thursday declared Iraq's annexation of Kuwait "null and void."

"Annexation of Kuwait by Iraq under any form and whatever pretext has no validity and is considered null and void," the council said in its third resolution on the Gulf crisis since Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2.

U.S. delegate Thomas Pickering applauded the vote and said Washington was prepared to call for yet another meeting of the council with an eye to further measures aimed at forcing Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

The acting Soviet delegate, Valentin Lozinskiy, meanwhile proposed that the security council's Military Staff Committee begin discussions on a possible U.N. intervention in the Gulf.

Before Thursday's vote, a Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman in Moscow said the Soviets rejected the use of force in the Gulf but were prepared to reconsider that position if the Security Council decided to send a multinational force.

The Military Staff Committee consists of the chiefs of staff, or their representatives, of the five permanent members of the security council -- France, Britain, China, the United States and the Soviet Union.

The annexation was announced Wednesday by Iraq's decision-making Revolutionary Command Council, which declared Kuwait an integral part of Iraq and that the union was "total and irreversible."

The U.N. resolution Thursday called on "all states, international organizations, specialized agencies not to recognize that annexation and to refrain from any action or dealing that might be interpreted as an indirect recognition of the annexation."

It demanded that Iraq "rescind its actions purporting to annex Kuwait."

Speaking after Thursday's vote, Mr. Pickering defended the U.N. action as "necessary because Iraq is attempting to extinguish the sovereignty of a member state of the United Nations.

"There is something repugnant, chilling and vaguely familiar about the

statement issued yesterday by the Iraqi Revolutionary Command Council," he said. "We have heard that rhetoric before."

The Security Council Monday approved trade, military and financial sanctions against the regime of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Hours after the Iraqi invasion, it condemned the invasion and demanded the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

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#90221d0730 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) - Three U.S. Navy ships will visit the Soviet port of Vladivostok September 10 through 14, the Defense Department announced Thursday.

A Pentagon statement said the three vessels were the amphibious command and control ship USS Blue Ridge, the guided missile cruiser USS Princeton and the guided missile frigate USS Reuben James.

It said the visit would be part of a U.S.-Soviet naval exchange program.

Three Soviet ships paid a similar visit to the port of San Diego, California, earlier this year.

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#90221d0780 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 9) - The Nigerian military government said Thursday it would hold Charles Taylor and the Patriotic Front of Liberia responsible for any harm to Nigerians taken away Wednesday from the Nigerian embassy in Monrovia by these rebels, official sources said.

They were quoting the minister of external affairs, Alhaji Rilwanu Lukman.

He said the warning had become necessary following a report the Nigerian government received confirming that the rebels penetrated the embassy and took away an unspecified number of Nigerians who had taken refuge there to an unknown destination.

Nigeria, along with other six other nations - Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Sierra Leone, Togo and Mali - attended a mini-summit of the Economic Community of West African States (Ecowas) this week in Banjul, where a decision to send a pecae-keeping force to war-torn Liberia was taken.

Charles Taylor's rebels are reported to be opposed to the force, while President Samuel Doe supported the idea.

Nigeria's Armed Forces Ruling Council (AFRC), Nigeria's highest

decision-making body, met here Thursday, and the Liberian issue, particularly the peace-keeping force, was discussed, a reliable source said.

A communique is expected at the end of the meeting Friday.

A Ghanaian delegation led by a member of that country's ruling Provisional National Defence Council (PNDC), Lt. Gen. Arnold Quainoo, met here Thursday with President Ibrahim Babangida and high-ranking Nigerian military officers and discussed the peace-keeping force to Liberia, the source added.

The minister of external affairs also held discussions Thursday here with heads of diplomatic missions and international organisations accredited to Nigeria and briefed them on the Ecowas position on the Liberian crisis.

''In view of our shared responsibility for the maintenance of peace and stability, we have no doubt that you will lend your considerable moral support to the Ecowas initiatives in Liberia'', the minister told the diplomats.

He urged them to ensure that their respective governments contributed materially towards the attainment of these Ecowas objectives.

''Ecowas intervention is in no way designed to serve one party or punish another'', he told the diplomats, adding that the peace-keeping force was going to Liberia to ''stop the senseless killings of innocent civilians, nationals and foreigners''.

He held a similar meeting here Wednesday with ambassadors of the U.N. security council members.

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#90221d0840 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABERDEEN, Scotland (AUG. 9) - More than 700 workers on North Sea oil and gas rigs went on strike for 24 hours Thursday, union sources said here.

According to the organizers of the strike, all North Sea rigs but two were affected by the strike, the second in four days.

The Offshore Industry Liaison Committee, an unofficial union council, said that 3,000 employees of construction and petrochemical industries in Scotland had stopped work in solidarity with the striking North Sea workers.

Shell Oil company said that the strike had not affected oil production.

The strikers are demanding rehiring of over 1,000 contract workers fired last week following a protest strike against poor safety conditions in the North Sea.

They are also calling for official recognition of their union and improved working conditions.

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#90221d0870 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 9) - French President Francois Mitterrand came out Thursday in favour of an internal Arab settlement to the Gulf crisis.

Speaking after a cabinet meeting, he said that if an Arab solution could not be found, France would assume its ''own responsibilities''.

France announced at the same time that it was reinforcing its military presence in the crisis area with an aircraft carrier group. Defence Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement said the carrier Clemenceau would be sent to the Gulf area with accompanying naval ships.

''France continues to wish that the problem be settled within the Arab community,'' Mitterrand said.

Because of the dangers, it was important to move up French naval and air-force units so that they could intervene if France believed this necessary, he said. France would not accept either Iraqi aggression against Kuwait or the subsequent occupation.

The president indicated that France had not been officially asked to provide units for a multinational force to protect Saudi Arabia, but was merely participating along with other western nations in efforts to resolve the crisis.

Mitterrand described French citizens unable to leave Iraq and Kuwait as ''prisoners'' and said French forces were also being moved up in case they were needed to evacuate people.

Sources here said the Clemenceau had 2,000 men aboard and would be mainly equipped with helicopters on its Gulf mission. Previously France had just two escort ships on station in the Gulf, as well as a frigate on its way to the hot spot.

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#90221d0880 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 9) - Some holders of bonds in tottering Australia-based Bond Corporation voted here on Thursday in favor of the sale of group brewing

interests to Australian Bell Resources.

This sale is one of the pillars of a plan to save the business empire built up by Alan Bond, but the creditors rejected the other essential part of the plan for a one-year moratorium of payment of interest on their paper.

The votes give Bond Corp. a further delay to consider its future with parties involved, said group administrator Peter Lucas, who chaired the meeting.

They also leave open the way for Bond to resign as chairman, as he said last month that he was ready to do if the resolutions were approved, Lucas said.

"Bond holders have exhibited today the realistic attitude we were hoping for," Lucas said.

The principle of the sale of the breweries for 1.8 billion Australian dollars (1.42 billion U.S.) was approved by the holders of sterling-deonominated bonds.

The holders of dollar-denominated bonds approved it by a majority which fell short of the 75-per-cent vote required.

Both groups of bond holders voted by an inadequate majority in favor of a moratorium on interest payments.

A meeting of dollar-bond holders has been called for Sept. 10, and a meeting of all bond holders on Nov. 30 to vote again on the moratorium.

Asked about what Bond was doing, Lucas replied that he was sailing in Australia.

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#90221d0920 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 9) - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak met Thursday with Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassine Ramadan, the official MENA news agency said.

The meeting was part of preliminary consultations ahead of the opening Friday of a crucial Arab summit aimed at forging a last-minute diplomatic solution to the Iraq-Kuwait crisis.

Almost all 21 members of the Arab League have gathered for the emergency summit.

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#90221d0980 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 9) - Japan's Honda Motor Co. announced Thursday the creation of an automobile subsidiary in Italy separate from its motorbike and spare parts operations there.

The move is aimed at almost doubling Honda car sales in Italy from 4,500 units this year to 7,500 in 1991, the company said.

Honda set up a new trading subsidiary, Automibili Italia SpA, in Verona, which is due to begin operations in October with responsibility for all imports and sales of Japanese cars in Italy.

The motorbike and spare parts divisions will remain with Honda Italia Industriale SpA based near Rome.

Honda says the scheme, so far limited to Italy, will help define its products in the public eye and increase sales.

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#90221d1000 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SRINAGAR, INDIA (AUG. 9) - A general strike sponsored by Moslem militants to protest the India-Pakistan talks on reducing bilateral tensions crippled life in Kashmir on Thursday, officials said.

Meanwhile, Moslem militants abducted a government-owned company manager and demanded that authorities release two of their top leaders arrested recently, officials said.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) said a senior Kashmir state government official and a police officer were among 15 suspects detained during a search by security forces for militants and their accomplices in the northern region.

The dominant Jammu and Kashmir Liberation Front (JKLF) closed shops, businesses and schools as Pakistani foreign secretary Tanvir Ahman Khan arrived in New Delhi to begin talks with his Indian counterpart Muchkund Dubey, the officials said.

The JKLF, protesting the exclusion of its representatives in the three-day talks that are to centre on secessionist tensions, ordered the general strike in the Moslem-majority valley's 28 towns.

The JKLF says the talks cannot be fruitful without Kashmiris' inclusion.

Witnesses said vehicles stayed off the streets in Srinagar, the state of Jammu and Kashmir's summer capital, as militants staged street

demonstrations.

Militants abducted P.N. Chowdry, the manager of a Kashmir government-owned cement manufacturing company, from Kashmir valley's Wuyan village late Wednesday, officials said.

The abductors, who did not identify themselves, said in telephone calls to company staff that Mr. Chowdry would be freed only if two top JKLF leaders detained recently were released unconditionally, the officials in Jammu said.

The two detainees, Yasin Malik and Abdul Hamid Sheikh, were captured in Srinagar on Monday.

Two civilians, including a school teacher caught in crossfire between militants and security troopers, were killed in separatist-linked incidents in Srinagar, officials said, adding that nine more people, including five paramilitary troopers, were injured.

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#90221d1020 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT ELIZABETH, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 9) - The death toll in rioting in mixed-race areas of this auto-manufacturing town had risen to 33 by late Thursday, police spokesman Major Bill Dennis said.

In another late development, Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok announced that more police, South African Defence Force (SADF) troops and additional air support would be deployed in the townships bordering Port Elizabeth.

The rioting began on Monday but most of the deaths occurred on Wednesday night as mobs ran through the townships, looting stores before torching them.

Police used shotguns, teargas and rubber bullets to disperse the looters. Of those killed, 18 died of gunshot wounds, Major Dennis said earlier Thursday.

He said police were not the only ones to use shotguns and that "shopkeepers also used shotguns to protect their property."

Some 32 shops, six houses, three schools, two factories and a church had been gutted, Major Dennis said. Ambulances and fire engines have only been able to enter the townships under police escort.

Other reports Thursday said the situation in the townships had deteriorated into anarchy, with police, backed by teargas-spraying helicopters fighting running street battles with militant youths.

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#90221d1030 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (AUG. 9) - The European Economic Community (EEC) welcomed Thursday the measures taken by the South African government and the African National Congress (ANC) following meetings between them on Monday.

The EEC described the ANC's suspension of armed struggle and the government's decision to liberate political prisoners and give amnesty to exiles as a "significant step" towards national reconciliation.

Saying that it "favorably received" the developments, the EEC expressed hope that they would lead to negotiations for a new constitution in the near future.

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#90221d1090 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUGUST 9) - U.S. forces in Liberia evacuated 25 foreigners from the war-torn country Wednesday, including the French and Italian ambassadors, sources here said Thursday.

A state Department spokesman said the 25 included South Koreans, Portuguese, and a number of other nationalities. Since August 5, when the first U.S. helicopter evacuations began, 150 foreigners have been lifted out of the country.

Among them were 94 Americans, 14 Liberians, five Britons, and a host of other Asian and Western residents. A spokesman said the U.S. ambassador had no plans to leave Monrovia for the time being.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher has said there appears to be ''no end in sight'' to fighting between government forces and two rival rebel groups.

The United States has said it will not intervene in the civil war, but welcomed the efforts of West African nations led by Nigeria and Sierra Leone to intervene in hopes of imposing a truce.

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#90221d1240 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) - Kuwait's envoy to the United States said Thursday that Iraq has ''expansionist'' ambitions and is plotting to invade still further countries in the Gulf.

Sheikh Saud Nasir al-Sabah, speaking on the television network Cnn, said

Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein had been planning ''for months'' to send his armies abroad, but that he had not reckoned on the ''unprecedented'' international response.

Al-Sabah said his country was ''grateful'' to the United States for coming to its aid in rallying the international community against Iraq's invasion a week earlier.

The ambassador also expressed gratitude to Kuwait's ''brothers in Saudi Arabia and all civilised countries'' for supporting the oil-rich nation in its time of crisis.

But the envoy suggested Saddam would not invade Saudi Arabia, which has reinforced its borders with U.S. troops and aircraft as a deterrent. ''Saddam,'' he said, ''is not stupid.''

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#90221d1280 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (AUG. 9) - Brazilian oil drillers of Petrobas International (Braspetro) have discovered a new oil deposit off the Angolan coast, the company announced Thursday.

Braspetro, a subsidiary of state-owned Petrobras, said the new well, Savelha-1, was 24 meters (70 feet) deep and capable of producing 6,000 barrels of crude oil daily.

Technicians are still calculating how much oil the well contains.

Braspetro operates in Angola with Angola's state-owned Sonangol, the U.S. oil company Texaco and the French company Total.

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#90221d1310 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) - Pakistan is to reduce oil imports and make a para-statal energy company run more efficiently through a World-Bank-supported project designed to expand the distribution of natural gas, the Bank announced Thursday in Washington.

Pakistan has extensive natural-gas reserves, but inadequate transmission and distribution facilities have led to shortages of the fuel and increased use of other, more costly forms of energy, said the Bank, which is lending 130 million dollars.

The project is expected to increase sales of natural gas throughout the country and reduce the need for imported fuels.

The World Bank loan is for 20 years, including five years of grace, with a variable interest rate, currently 7.72 percent.

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#90221d1320 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 9) - France temporarily closed its embassy in the Liberian capital Monrovia on Thursday after evacuating embassy personnel and other French citizens from the war-torn country, the foreign ministry said.

The ministry said that an unspecified number of French nationals who embassy personnel "managed to reach" had been evacuated along with diplomats to a U.S. naval vessel.

Ambassador Louis Giustetti and three security guards remained at the embassy in Monrovia, the ministry added.

A ministry spokesman said the embassy would be reopened "as soon as circumstances permit it."

There are still about 15 French nationals in Liberia, all of them living outside of Monrovia, according to informed sources. Most are either missionaries or forestry workers.

The Liberian capital has been under seige by rebel forces for several weeks and without fresh food supplies, electricity, water or communications.

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#90221d1430 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (AUG. 9) - Some of the West African troops who are to attempt to impose peace on war-torn Liberia were to leave the western Ghanaian seaport of Takoradi Thursday night, the Ghana News Agency (Gna) reported.

The Ghanaian contingent, who are to join a five-nation force, were to board a merchant vessel, the Mv tano River for Freetown, Sierra Leone, where members of the ceasefire monitoring group Ecomog are to converge before moving to Liberia.

The force was established by seven leaders of the Economic Community of West African States (Ecowas).

Gna did not say how many troops were involved, but unofficial sources say Ghana will be contributing about 1,000 men. The ship was to be escorted by two naval vessels, the ''Yogaga'' and the ''Achimota''.

Ecomog, under the command of Ghanaian Lieutenant-General Arnold Quainoo, 51, is charged with keeping the peace, restoring law and order and

ensuring that a ceasefire is respected.

Two of the civil-war rivals in Liberia, President Samuel Doe and Prince Johnson have accepted Ecomog, but the main rebel leader, Charles Taylor whose invasion of the West African country late last December started the war, has vowed to fight the peacekeepers.

Gna said Ghana's head of state, Jerry Rawlings, had a private audience with the troops Thursday, telling them Ghana had a high reputation for peace-making and peace-keeping and urged them to maintain this.

Ghana has contributed forces to the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon and to ceasefire monitors on the Iran-Iraq border.

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#90221d1750 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (AUG 9) - Planeloads of crack U.S. soldiers spearheading President George Bush's operation "Desert Shield" were landing in Saudi Arabia Thursday as the Pentagon reported that Iraqi forces in Kuwait were improving their air defense.

(Five Giant C-5 Galaxy transport planes laden with soldiers of the 82nd Airborne Division based in Fort Bragg, North Carolina, landed in the Saudi city of Dhahran early Thursday, a member of a Western civilian air crew said.)

At Pope Air Force Base near Fort Bragg, other elements of the 82nd Airborne's 2,300-member division ready brigade -- the brigade that's always kept in the highest state of readiness -- boarded C-5's, presumably for the 15-hour flight to Saudi Arabia.

At the Pentagon, spokesman Pete Williams said Operation Desert Shield -- formally announced by Mr. Bush Wednesday and aimed at deterring any Iraqi attack against the oil-rich kingdom -- had so far gone "extremely well."

All U.S. tactical air assets -- an unspecified number of F-15 fighters from Langley Air Force Base in Virginia and five AWACS (Airborne Warning and Control System) radar surveillance planes -- were now in Saudi Arabia, he added.

Mr. Williams refused to say exactly where in the desert kingdom the U.S. forces were being stationed. But Pentagon sources earlier said the U.S. forces would be based near Riyadh and at Dhahran Air Force Base, which protects the largest Saudi oil field complex.

Mr. Williams said Iraq was consolidating its forces in Kuwait and estimated the strength of Baghdad's contingent there at 120,000. Iraq invaded Kuwait

August 2 and annexed its tiny, oil-rich neighbor Wednesday.

"They (Iraqis in Kuwait) are in a defensive posture ...but capable of offensive action...They are improving their air defense," Mr. Williams said.

More Iraqi troops appeared to be moving south from Iraq into Kuwait, he added.

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#90221d6300 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) - As many as 50,000 U.S. troops may be sent to Saudi Arabia in the coming weeks as part of a military deployment involving aircraft carriers, missiles, fighters, bombers, tanks and other weapons, U.S. newspapers reported Thursday.

The New York Times and The Washington Post both cited U.S. military officials as saying the planned deployment could reach 50,000 ground troops.

The movement of U.S. troops and equipment began Tuesday, ordered by U.S. President George Bush to protect Saudi Arabia against possible attack by Iraqi troops massed on the border.

U.S. military officials said it would take several weeks for the deployment of military forces to be completed, according to the Post.

The newspaper said an estimated 200,000 Iraqi troops were massed in southern Iraq and Kuwait, which was invaded last week by Iraqi troops and annexed Wednesday by Baghdad.

U.S. intelligence officials said there had been no major additions to the Iraqi forces in Kuwait, but that they had been fully resupplied and reinforced and "could move south in a couple of hours' notice," the Post said.

Washington, meanwhile, warned Yemen not to align itself with Iraq following reports that Iraq had sent three squadrons of fighters to Yemen, possibly for safekeeping or to outflank the Saudis, The New York Times reported, citing a senior administration official travelling with Secretary of State James Baker.

General Colin Powell, chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, told a news conference that Wednesday's deployment involved elements of the 82nd Airborne Division, an unspecified number of F-15 aircraft and five AWACS (airborne warning and control systems) radar surveillance planes.

The Post said U.S. military planners also were ready to send a tank brigade from the 24th (Mechansized) Infantry Division, a brigade from the 101st Airborne Division, the 7th Marine Amphibious Brigade; and the 1st Marine Amphibious Brigade.

Pentagon sources said U.S. forces also would have available to them cruise missiles aboard the battleship Wisconsin that could be programmed to strike oil refineries in Iraq.

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#90221d6470 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (AUG. 9) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker arrived here Thursday amid reports that Iraq was strengthening its army positions near the Turkish border.

Observers said Mr. Baker would reassure President Turgut Ozal, Foreign Minister Ali Bozer and Prime Minister Yildirim Akbulut of Washington's support in the crisis.

Turkey, a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, is in the front line of the conflict with Iraq. It has declared a total embargo on trade with its neighbour and shut down the pipeline which carries around 50 per cent of Iraq's oil to the Mediterranean sea.

Tanker truck drivers arriving in Turkey from Baghdad said Wednesday that the Iraqi army was strengthening its positions near the Turkish border.

The oil tanker drivers said Iraqi forces were being reinforced in the Zaho region near the Turkish border town of Habur. The reports have not been confirmed officially.

The drivers, whose tankers were returning empty because of the embargo on Iraq, said they saw unusual military activity along the route they take transporting Iraqi oil products to Turkey. The road runs parallel to the Iraqi pipeline shut down by Turkey on Tuesday.

Mr. Baker was expected to offer U.S. economic and military assistance to Turkey, whose sanctions against Iraq could cost it around a billion dollars according to analysts here.

The Americans want to use bases in Turkey as possible staging posts in the event of fighting breaking out, although the Turks are anxious not to turn their country into Iraq's next target, observers here said.

Mr. Baker will leave here later Thursday with his Turkish counterpart Mr. Bozer for Brussels, where NATO foreign ministers will hold an emergency meeting Friday.

The question of using Turkish bases for a multi-national force will be discussed at Friday's meeting.

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#90221d6490 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAGASAKI, JAPAN (AUG. 9) - Premier Toshiki Kaifu Thursday condemned Iraq's annexation of Kuwait as an unjustifiable act, but said Japan would not join a U.S.-led multinational force to protect Saudi Arabia against possible Iraqi attack.

In Tokyo, the Jiji Press news agency reported that a number of Japanese firms had instructed their Japanese staff stationed in the Gulf to leave the region.

Government sources said Mr. Kaifu's planned Middle Eastern tour next week could be cancelled or modified if tension continued to rise, although Mr. Kaifu said here that there was "no change in plans."

"If Japan can do anything to contribute to the quest for a peaceful solution" to the Gulf crisis, "it is prepared to cooperate positively with other countries," Mr. Kaifu said in Nagasaki.

"Although Japan cannot contribute to securing peace through military actions," he said, "we must join ... any move to secure peace through peaceful dialogue."

Mr. Kaifu, who was in Nagasaki for ceremonies marking the 45th anniversary of the atomic bombing of the city in the closing days of World War II, also said he had asked Iraq "to take the necessary measures to protect Japanese nationals" in Kuwait.

Reports reaching the foreign ministry in Tokyo said there was a 7:30 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. curfew in Kuwait City, which Iraqi troops invaded on August 2 and that shops were well stocked, but open only for limited periods.

The ministry said Wednesday that of the 277 Japanese living in Kuwait, 246 had sought refuge at the embassy, 30 continued to live in their homes and one businessman had been missing since Saturday.

Officials said it was possible the 49-year-old man had been evacuated by Iraqi troops to Jordan via Iraq along with other foreigners.

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#90221d6510 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 9) - Malaysia Airlines is to fly to three new

destinations in Australia from the end of October, its managing director, Abdul Aziz Rahman, said Thursday.

He said the airline would begin flights to Brisbane, Adelaide and Darwin on October 28. It already services Sydney, Melbourne and Perth.

Mr. Aziz said Malaysia Airlines would also add Nagoya and Vienna to its list of destinations and increase flight frequencies to to Auckland, Brussels, Zurich, New Delhi, Karachi and Jakarta.

He said Malaysia Airlines was buying a Boeing 747-400 and leasing five Boeing 737-400's to launch the new services.

The airline would have to review its operations if crude oil prices continued to rise as a result of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, Mr. Aziz warned.

Fuel currently accounts for 18 per cent of operating costs, but this could rise to 25 per cent, he said.

Raja Mohar Badiozaman, the airline's chairman, said in his annual report distributed Thursday that the company should do well in the current financial year.

The Malaysian Airlines System group made a pre-tax profit of 200 million dollars (74 million U.S.) in the year to March, compared to 204 million dollars (75.5 million U.S.) in the previous year.

Malaysian Airlines System is the registered company name of Malaysia Airlines.

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#90221d6520 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 9) - The Philippines has renewed a contract to import oil from Iran as the country's oil reserves are expected to run out within 70 days, a presidential palace statement said here Thursday.

Under the contract, Iran will supply 20,0000 barrels of crude oil per day.

Manila has been forced to seek other sources of supply because of the Gulf crisis following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait a week ago.

The Philippines received almost 20 per cent of its oil requirements last year from Iraq and Kuwait, and was due to buy 720,000 barrels of Kuwaiti oil this month.

The Philippines also imported 15.1 million barrels of oil from Iran in

1989, representing 20.8 per cent of its oil supply.

Philippines officials said they were also eyeing increased oil purchases from Brunei, China, Mexico, Indonesia and Malaysia.

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#90221d6530 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 9) - Soviet cosmonauts Anatoly Solovyov and Alexander Balandin returned safely to earth Thursday after a six-month stay in space aboard the ''Mir'' space station.

Their space capsule landed in the steppes of the central Asian Soviet republic of Kazachstan.

The two men narrowly evaded death in space last month when their oxygen tanks nearly went empty while the cosmonauts were conducting repairs to the outside of the space station.

The Mir station is now manned by Gennady Manakov and Genadi Strekalov, who were launched into space on August 1. The two men are scheduled to spend 132 days in space.

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#90221d6630 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 9) - Brent North Sea crude oil prices fell back sharply in London on Thursday morning, largely due to speculation that OPEC output will be boosted to compensate for embargoed Iraqi and Kuwaiti deliveries.

Brent was quoted at 24.75 dollars a barrel at the opening, almost three dollars below Wednesday's close of 27.35 dollars and after hitting a peak of 28.8 dollars at one point in Tuesday trading, its highest level in four and a half years.

But Wednesday's opening rate was still well above the less than 20 dollars a barrel prevailing before Iraq's invasion of Kuwait a week ago.

Prices were falling back on speculation that the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) would increase output to compensate for the some four million barrels a day being lost to the market due to international sanctions on Iraqi and Kuwaiti products.

But "in the event of military action, prices will shoot up again," said Nick Antill, an analyst with County Natwest. "In the meantime, they will continue to drift if they are not given additional news."

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#90221d6690 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 9) - Brigitte Bardot, the French movie star turned animal protection militant, has called on Japan return a French-born chimpanzee which she said was "freezing" at a Japanese research center.

The chimpanzee, named Chloe, born at Vincennes zoo here in 1980, was transferred to Japan four years later along with a French-born orang-utan in exchange for 10 Japanese macaques.

Ms. Bardot told Japanese ambassador to France Akitane Kiuchi Wednesday that the chimpanzee now at the Primate Research Institute at Kyoto university was "just about getting along in a freezing environment" at the center.

The former actress decided to intervene to press for the chimp's return after the orang-utan died earlier this year. She charged that the orang-utan had been in a "concrete cage" with "a tire as sole companion for five years".

Chloe, according to the Brigitte Bardot Foundation, is living in a basement without sunlight and deprived of games and contacts with other chimps.

A Japanese embassy spokesman contacted by Agence France-Presse said that the Tokyo government was not directly concerned by the Bardot protest as the exchange had been arranged between two institutions.

But Japanese authorities would look into the Chloe case, the spokesman added.

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#90221d6720 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 9) - Growth in China's industrial production was down to an annualised 2.9 percent in July after rising for four consecutive months, the China Daily reported Thursday.

Domestic demand remained weak despite a relaxation in the nearly two-year-old austerity program, the official English-language newspaper said.

Industrial output totalled 32.8 billion dollars in July, 13 percent less than in June, when it increased 5.9 percent from a year earlier, the paper quoted the State Statistical Bureau as saying.

"Although the government has greatly relaxed its austerity program, shortfalls in the immediate demand are still the major culprit for hampering the industrial production," bureau economists said.

They also blamed depressed demand for the "dismal performance of the state-owned enterprises," which saw a 0.3 percent decline in output compared with July last year.

The decline came after a recovery in April and was in sharp contrast to foreign-funded and private firms, which saw a 48.2 percent growth in production.

The paper said floods and other natural disasters had also slowed industry in July.

In the first seven months of the year, industrial production grew 2.3 per cent to 229 billion dollars compared with the same period a year earlier. The government growth target is six percent this year.

Light industrial production in July was 4.1 percent more than in July 1989 at 15.4 billion dollars, while heavy industrial output increased 1.8 percent to 17.4 billion dollars.

After suffering a 0.9 percent decline in the first two months of the year, overall industrial production rose 1.4 percent in March.

The recovery continued in April, May and June with increases of two, 4.2 and 5.9 percent following an injection of 8.5 billion dollars in bank loans, the paper said.

The government implemented a strict austerity program in the last quarter of 1988 after overheated growth in industrial output of 17.7 percent that year. Output growth declined to 6.8 percent last year.

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#90221d6740 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (AUG. 9) - Kenya is to receive aid from West Germany totalling some 19 million dollars to restructure its financial sector, the Daily Nation newspaper said here Thursday.

The aid agreement was signed Wednesday by Kenyan Vice-President George Saitoti and West German ambassador to Kenya Franz Freinherr von Mentzingen.

Mr. Saitoti hailed West Germany's continued support of local projects and its recent decision to write off loans amounting to 800 million Deutsche marks (300 million dollars).

He said West Germany was a major consumer of Kenyan coffee and horticultural products and accounted for the highest number of tourists every year.

Mr. Mentzingen noted that West Germany was the first individual donor country to take part in the financial sector programme for Kenya started by the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.

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#90221d6770 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBAI (AUG. 9) - Thirty-six passengers of a British Airways plane grounded in Kuwait have been taken to Baghdad by Iraqi troops, but another 295 remain stuck in Kuwaiti hotels, the airline said here Thursday.

A BA spokesman denied earlier reports that more than 200 passengers of the Boeing 747, which was stopping over in Kuwait when Iraqi forces invaded on August 2, had been transferred in buses to Baghdad.

"We have identified the location of a majority of passengers and we know that 295 of them, as well as the crew members, are in three hotels in Kuwait," he said, adding that all were "safe and well."

"Thirty-six passengers are in Baghdad and they are also safe and well," the spokesman said, without being able to specify names or nationalities.

He said the plane remained grounded at the airport in Kuwait, despite an assertion by the French government that it had been authorised to fly to Baghdad and then back to Europe.

The BA jet had arrived from London and was due to fly to Madras in India and Kuala Lumpur when the invasion occured.

Another 60 British Airways personnel remain in Kuwait, the spokesman said, and they have all been accounted for.

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#90221d6840 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROTTERDAM, NETHERLANDS (AUG. 9) - Anglo-Dutch oil group Royal DutchShell said Thursday its net profit fell 39.7 percent in the first half of this year over the same period last year to 1.37 billion pounds (2.5 billion dollars).

First half profit in 1989 came to 2.28 billion pounds (4.2 billion dollars).

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#90221d6850 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 9) - About 450 inmates of Nigerian prisons died in the first six months of this year, the government-owned ''Daily Sketch'' newspaper

reported here Thursday quoting the minister of internal affairs.

A total of 822 prison inmates died within the same period in the country last year, Commodore Lamba Gwom Wednesday told a news conference in Abuja, the nation's future capital.

To arrest this high death toll, he said the ministry had introduced a prison primary health care program with a focus on preventive rather than curative medicine.

Massive overcrowding plus poor food and health facilities for prisoners are said to be the factors responsible for the high number of prison deaths.

Cells built for only four prisoners are frequently occupied by about 20 inmates. Their food allowance is only five naira (0.6 U.S.cents) a day.

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#90221d6890 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 9) - French state-owned group Thomson-CSF said Thursday it had signed a major contract to supply Turkey with 14 mobile radar.

The deal was signed in Ankara.

The Turkish government had put the contract out to tender in January.

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#90221d6940 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 9) - The dismissal of Pakistan Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto will not affect plans by French company Framatome to build a nuclear power plant in the country, the company said Thursday.

The contract for the current feasibility study was with the Pakistan Atomic Energy Commission and not the Islamabad government, Framatome said.

French President Francois Mitterrand had signed the authorisation in February for the sale of a nuclear power plant to Pakistan.

The Pakistan government was dismissed Monday by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan,
for alleged corruption and abuse of power.

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#90221d6960 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUWAIT (AUG. 9) - The exiled Kuwaiti government said it will attend Thursday's emergency Arab summit in Cairo to discuss the Iraqi invasion of

Kuwait, the official Saudi Press Agency (Spa) reported.

Spa, which quoted Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmed as-Sabah for its information, said in a separate announcement that Saudi King Fahd would make a televised address to the nation at 1100 Gmt on the Iraq-Kuwait crisis.

In Kuwait, the loyalist radio resumed transmission from a clandestine location on the same frequency it was broadcasting on before the Iraqi invasion August 2.

The radio issued repeated appeals to Kuwaitis to join the ''resistence at the nearest location to your homes'' and called on female Kuwaitis ''to encourage and back our men in defending our soil and honour against the aggressor''.

''Here is Kuwait, it will always be heard ... and it will always refer to Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed as-Sabah as the emir, Sheikh Sa'ad al-Adbullah as the crown prince and the legitimate Kuwaiti government, regardless of what the aggressors may say, and regardless of the puppets they have installed in government, the broadcast said.

''The conscience of every Kuwaiti spells out the the name of the Emir Sheikh Jaber as the the sole legitimate ruler of this country. No Kuwaiti nor any Arab would accept anybody else (as a ruler) except him,'' the radio added.

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#90221d7160 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOI (AUG. 9) - Belgian oil giant Petrofina has signed a joint oil exploration and production contract with PetroVietnam, the official Nhan Dan newspaper said here Thursday.

This is the first such contract that allows the foreign partner to carry out a geological survey before committing resources to drilling.

Under the terms of the contract, signed Wednesday, Petrofina will conduct geological surveys in designated areas of the continental shelf south of Vietnam, the Nhan Dan daily said.

The contract allows Petrofina to follow up the surveys with research, exploration and drilling in a 10,000 square kilometer (4,000 square mile) zone,
Nhan Dan said.

This is the ninth international oil contract Vietnam has signed since it opened up the continental shelf to Western companies in May, 1988.

Petrofina is already part of a Dutch-Anglo-Belgian consortium operating in Vietnam along with French Total, British Petroleum, the Franco-British group CEPT-Enterprise Oil and Sweden's SECAB.

The Soviet-Vietnamese group Vietsopetro, which employs about 1,000 Soviets,

is currently the only project in production, with rigs drilling the White Tiger field off Vietnam's south coast.

In March, Vietsopetro hit a landmark, with three million tonnes extracted since it began production in 1986.

In the first six months of 1990, the White Tiger field produced 1.2 million tonnes of crude oil, and is chasing a target of 2.5 million tonnes for the whole year.

Vietnam, which has no refineries, sells almost all the oil it produces, mainly to Japan, and imports almost three million tonnes of refined products a year, 80 per cent of it from the Soviet Union.

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#90221d7170 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (AUG. 9) - Japanese buyers chasing Australia's high interest rates Thursday boosted the local dollar almost a cent and propelled it over 80 U.S. cents, dealers said.

The dollar ended at 80.22 U.S. cents compared to Wednesday's finish of 79.29 cents. Against the trade-weighted index, the currency jumped from the previous close of 60.7 to end at 61.2.

"People think the Aussie will continue to find support from high interest rates," one dealer said.

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#90221d7240 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (AUG. 9) - A senior U.S. diplomat was to travel to Damascus Thursday as part of a U.S. attempt to broaden Arab support for efforts to force Iraq's President Saddam Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait.

Secretary of State James Baker said Wednesday he was sending John Kelly, assistant secretary of state for the Near East, to the Syrian capital "to see if we can coordinate with the Syrians on collective efforts regarding Iraqi agression."

Mr. Baker briefed reporters on board his plane to Turkey on the diplomatic

efforts to reach out to Arab countries, including two that have been traditional U.S. adversaries in the region -- Syria and Iran.

He said U.S. officials had made indirect contact with Iranian leaders in search of a solution to the crisis. U.S. officials said the contacts were made through the Swiss Embassy in Tehran.

An administration official on board the secretary's plane said President George Bush spoke by telephone with the president of Yemen, a country Washington has been trying to persuade not to align itself with Mr. Hussein,
according to the official.

Mr. Baker, refusing to comment on the liklihood of joint military action by Washington and Arab countries against Iraq, said he would maintain contacts with Israel, "a powerful ally of the United States".

Regarding a multinational force based in Saudi Arabia, Mr. Baker said "the naval and air forces have the priority." He added that the Soviet Union and France have said they would send warships to the Gulf.

Mr. Baker would not say whether Egypt would participate in the multinational forces, saying he would await the outcome of the Arab summit in Cairo.

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#90221d7250 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (AUG. 9) - Twenty-two health officials from 12 African countries began a ten-day workshop in Ghana aimed at finding out how to control Malaria on the continent.

Press reports here Thursday said the workshop, being held at Sogakofe, some 90 miles north of here, is aimed at training health personnel in the skills needed to carry out the control of malaria on the continent.

Participants come from Kenya, Ghana, Burundi, Tanzania, Zambia, Malawi, Cameroun, Namibia, Sierra Leone, Uganda, Ethiopia and Mozambique.

World health officials estimate that malaria, caused by the anopheles mosquito, remains endemic in some 100 countries, and world-wide cases are put at about 100 million.

The workshop, which began Wednesday, is being jointly organized by the Ghana government and the World Health Organization.

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#90221d7310 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (AUG. 9) - China, warning of the dangers of superpower intervention, on Thursday repeated its view that the Gulf crisis would be best resolved by Arab nations themselves.

"We stand for the resolution of the Gulf crisis by Gulf and Arab countries " said a Foreign Ministry spokesman a day after Iraq announced a union with Kuwait, which it invaded August 2.

"Outsiders, especially the superpowers, should not meddle in these affairs " it said. "Otherwise, it will intensify the Gulf crisis and further worsen the situation."

Premier Li Peng, on a visit this week to Indonesia, Wednesday issued a similar warning against the United States getting involved militarily in the crisis.

But he added that as a sovereign nation, Saudi Arabia -- which set up diplomatic ties with China less than a month ago -- had the right to appeal for outside help.

China has already joined an international arms embargo against Iraq, and appealed to Baghdad to withdraw its forces from Kuwait.

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#90221d7420 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Riyadh (AUG. 9) - Kind Fahd of Saudi Arabia confirmed Thursday that his country has requested the deployment of foreign and Arab troops, including U.S. and British, for ''purely defensive purposes'' and denounced the invasion by Iraqi forces of Kuwait, calling for their withdrawl and re-instatement of the ruling Sabah family.

Fahd in his address broadcast on Saudi Tv also stressed that the presence of these forces on Saudi soil was on a temporary basis and that they ''will withdraw upon our request''.

He called the Iraqi invasion ''the ugliest aggression ever seen in the modern history of the Arab nation''. More dpa ba 091324 aug 90

Fahd also expressed Saudi Arabia's outright rejection of all measures taken by Iraq in Kuwait following the invasion, including statements and resolutions by the Baghdad-installed Kuwaiti government.

Fahd emphasised support to all international demands for the Iraqi withdrawal, including those from the Arab League, the Islamic Confererence Organsation (Ico) and the six-member Gulf Cooperation Council (Gcc).

''Saudi Arabia demands the restoration of the situation in brotherly Kuwait before the (August 2) Iraqi invasion and the return of the ruling family led by the Emir Shaikh Jaber al-Ahmed as-Sabah and his government,'' he said.

Fahd expressed hope that the upcoming Arab League summit meeting in Cairo would yield positive results that would meet the aspirations of the Arab nation and strengthen Arab solidarity.

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#90221d7520 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 9) - The biggest U.S. military hospital outside the United States, the air force base hospital in Wiesbaden, announced Thursday that it is doubling its number of beds to 500 from 250 in view of apossible escalation in the Gulf crisis.

Unconfirmed reports said the hospital, near Frankfurt, is equipped to treat poison gas victims in case Iraq should use chemical weapons. Asked to confirm this, a spokesman for the U.S. Air Force here declined comment.

The hospital has in the past given treatment to American hostages freed in Lebanon.

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#90221d7550 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) - The White House has said it would formally notify the U.S. Congress of the deployment of U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia in line with the War Powers Act.

The law, which limits U.S. involvement in foreign conflicts, requires the president to consult with Congress formally when U.S. forces are introduced into situations such as the Gulf crisis.

The White House advised the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that it would soon be providing formal notification of the deployment of U.S. troops to the Gulf, committee spokesman Frank Sieverts said Wednesday.

House Foreign Affairs Committee chairman Dante Fascell, a Florida democrat, said deployment of U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia in case of an attack by Iraq "absolutely" triggered the War Powers Act and he expected notification.

The president must terminate the military deployment within 60 days unless Congress specifically authorizes its continuation, according to the law.

The period can be extended to 90 days if the president certifies that the mobilization is "an unavoidable military necessity."

Mr. Fascell said he thought congressional approval would not be hard to win, given the support in Congress for the administration's position in the Gulf crisis.

U.S. President George Bush deployed U.S. ground forces to Saudi Arabia beginning Tuesday in what he said was a defensive stance in case Iraqi troops tried to invade Saudi Arabia.

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#90221d7580 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) - President George Bush won strong bipartisan support in Congress for his decision to send U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia but lawmakers also cautioned against the United States going it alone in the Gulf.

Senate Majority leader George Mitchell, voicing support for the president, expressed hope Wednesday that the U.S. moves "will deter an Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia and convince Saddam Hussein to withdraw his troops from occupied Kuwait."

Senator Edward Kennedy, a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said the decision to send in U.S. troops was "clearly justified as part of the timely international effort to deter further Iraqi aggression."

There were words of caution as well, however -- even by Republicans such as Senate Minority leader Bob Dole who told reporters, "the Arab countries must come to the party too."

"I hope we will not be the 'Lone Ranger' like we were in Vietnam," said Senator Alan Cranston, a Democrat of California.

Senator Howard Metzenbam, an Ohio Democrat, defended Mr. Bush's decision to send in troops as being in the best interest of the United States. But he expressed disappointment that "more of the Arab nations are not standing shoulder to shoulder with the rest of the world in defending the independence and freedom of Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.

Other lawmakers focused on the possible repercussions of the president's move.

"The next 48 hours is crucial," said Senator Sam Nunn, of Georgia, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee. If Iraqi forces did attack Saudi Arabia, they would likely do so soon, before U.S. intelligence was firmly in place, he said.

"There is a danger of a hot war," said Representative Les Aspin, chairman

of the House Armed Services Committee. "Saddam sees us coming. He knows more troops will be there tomorrow and still more next week. If he wants to move, now is better than later."

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#90221d7660 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 9) - South African troops were mobilize in the eastern Cape province city of Port Elizabeth Thursday to end four-day old rioting which has left 23 people dead and scores injured.

South African police spokesman Bill Dennis confirmed the deaths, including that of a baby, saying they occurred during running battles between police and rampaging mobs in the city's ''coloured'' (mixed-race) townships.

Initial estimates put the cost of the damage at millions of dollars, after drunken mobs looted and set afire houses, schools, factories and vehicles.

By early Thursday ambulances were unable to reach the wounded because of burning barricades erected in streets.

An army spokesman said citizen force units had been sent to the worst-hit areas.

While the violence began as a protest against Allan Hendrickse, leader of the coloured house in the segregated South African tricameral parliament, civic leaders agreed that criminals had taken advantage of the situation to plunder shops.

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#90221d7770 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 9) - Opponents of ousted premier Benazir Bhutto have started lining up their forces for an electoral showdown expected in October.

"We will crush the enemies of Pakistan at the ballots on October 24," said Ms. Bhutto's archrival, Nawaz Sharif, who heads the eight-party Islamic Democratic Alliance (IJI).

Hectic parleys are on to forge a grand alliance of right-wing forces to humble the Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP), whose leaders, including Ms. Bhutto, face possible disqualification from the election if found guilty of corruption.

Analysts said the Pakistan Muslim League (PML) is expected to play a key role in a united anti-Bhutto front.

The party, headed by Mohammed Khan Junejo, who was Prime Minister under the late President Mohammed Zia ul-Haq, is a pivotal group of the IJI, and Mr. Junejo and Mr. Sharif quickly patched up their long-standing differences at a meeting here Wednesday of the PML high command.

PML Secretary-General Iqbal Ahmad Khan said the party would try to bring about a "greater alliance" to defeat the PPP.

"All differences within the party have been resolved amicably," he reported.

The rivalry between Mr. Sharif and Ejaz ul-Haq, another PML leader and the son of Gen. Zia, has ended with the new realignments emerging in Pakistani politics, party sources said.

Mr. Sharif said the IJI, which shared a split mandate in the 1988 general elections that brought Ms. Bhutto to power, would maintain its identity while trying to bring more parties into the fold.

Interim Premier Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi flew to the Punjabi capital of Lahore Thursday to attend an IJI meeting convened by Mr. Sharif, party officials said.

Mr. Jatoi told a news conference here Wednesday that he was expanding his government by calling in associates from the former Combined Opposition Parties (COP), which was automatically disbanded when President Ghulam Ishaq Khan dissolved the parliament Monday as he sacked Ms. Bhutto.

"I will also take men of integrity" from outside the COP, Mr. Jatoi said, adding that that his interim administration would be made up of "clean and honest people."

He said judicial commissions would be set up to probe charges of corruption against the Bhutto government.

The tribunal would decide on the punishments to be meted out, including disqualification from contesting the elections, to those found guilty, he said.

The new premier said his government believed in "democracy and justice" and, to allay fears of a delay in the election programme, added that the process of "accountability" and electioneering would be conducted simultaneously.

There will be no "victimization," but elements responsible for looting and plundering the nation's financial resources will not be spared, he added.

Ms. Bhutto, along with some of Mr. Jatoi's allies, is worried that the

accountability process could lead to a delay in the promised elections.

Nawabzada Nasrullah Khan, a veteren politician and an IJI member, warned that postponement of elections would be a constitutional violation, and Mr. Junejo has vowed that his party will resist such a move.

"If the job (of accountability) is entrusted to impartial men of integrity, it will have credibility and popular backing," Lahore's independent The Nation daily said Thursday.

But, in case it is seen as selective and politically motivated, the exercise will be deemed an attempt to victimize political opponents, and the ensuing elections will take on the appearance of a "stage-managed show " it added.

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#90221d7790 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG (AUG. 9) - Libyan leader Moamer Gaddafi confirmed that the Soviet Union has stopped supplying his country with arms, in an interview to be broadcast on West German radio Thursday.

In remarks recorded before the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq seven days ago, Gaddafi said the Soviet Union was demanding that Libya pay off some three billion dollars of debts. Moscow had refused to accept oil as payment and insisted on cash.

The Libyan leader said he felt certain that a war between the Arabs and Israel was inevitable at some stage in the future. A political solution in the Middle East was unlikely, he added.

Gaddafi ruled out the Arab use of chemical, atomic or biological weapons against Israel. ''Only a madman would contemplate such a thing,'' said the Libyan leader.

The Middle East was too small a region to allow the use of mass weapons of destruction. Their deployment against Israel would rebound on Palestinians, Lebanese, Syrians, Jordanians and Egyptians, said Gaddafi.

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#90221d7850 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (AUG. 9) - Libya and Iran have been briefed in detail by the Sri Lankan government on the current conflict in the island's northeast between government troops and Tamil guerrillas, a senior Minister said Thursday.

Cabinet spokesman Ranjan Wijeratne told a weekly press briefing in parliament that he and Trade Minister A.R.M. Munsoor had visited Iran and

Libya last week to brief leaders there on the situation in Sri Lanka.

Mr. Wijeratne said that one of the reasons the government decided to send a team to Moslem nations was "a lot of misconception" about the crisis. He did not elaborate.

He said that he met Iranian President Ali Akbar Rafsanjani on the first leg of their visit.

Mr. Wijeratne, who is also minister of state for defence, said Mr. Rafsanjani showed great interest and expressed concern at the killing of innocent civilians.

Mr. Wijeratne said he was unable to meet Libyan leader Colonel Muammar Qaddafi when in Libya, as Col. Qadaffi had gone out of the country.

The eruption of the Iraqi-Kuwaiti crisis also prevented him from meeting Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, Mr. Wijeratne said.

The minister said that during the visits, the Sri Lankan delegation had meetings with senior government officials and armed forces heads in those countries.

"You can assume what you want", Mr. Wijeratne said when reporters suggested that the two cabinet members went on an arms-buying spree to the Moslem states.

The trip by the two ministers was not officially announced, but press reports said they went to purchase military hardware for the Sri Lankan armed forces in their fight against Tamil Tiger guerrillas in the northeast.

He denied claims by the guerrillas that the mission to the Moslem states had been a failure. "They (the Tigers) may think so," he said.

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#90221d7890 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WEELINGTON (AUG. 9) - Some 3.5 million registered voters in New Zealand will be called to the polls October 27 to elect a new parliament, Premier Geoffrey Palmer announced Thursday.

He took over a year ago from David Lange who resigned ''for reasons of health'' after squabbles within the ruling Labour Party, which has 56 seats in the 97-seat legislature, compared with 40 seats for the conservative National Party.

In order to take over the government, the National Party would have to win

ten seats from Labour. Recent opinion polls have given the National Party a wide lead in voter sympathy.

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#90221d7920 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (AUG. 9) - The Danish unemployment rate edged slightly upwards in June to 9.5 per cent of the workforce compared with 9.4 per cent in May and was up on the 9.3 per cent in June 1989, seasonally adjusted official figures showed on Thursday.

The raw unemployment figures showed a slight fall to 8.9 per cent compared with 9.1 per cent in May, but were marginally higher than the figure of 8.8 per cent in June 1989.

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#90221d8170 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 9) - The British ambassador to Iraq, Harold Walker, has left London and was returning Thursday to Baghdad by way of Amman, the foreign office confirmed.

Mr. Walker, who left London late Wednesday, will meet with Iraqi officials in an effort to obtain guarantees for the safety of British nationals currently stranded in Iraq and Kuwait, notably some 100 British citizens being housed in a Baghdad hotel, a spokesman said.

On Wednesday, Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said he had told his Iraqi counterpart Tariq Aziz "in plain terms" that Britain held Iraq responsible for the safety of British citizens in Iraq and Kuwait.

British and other foreign nationals remained stranded in Kuwait and Iraq Thursday with the main airports in both Baghdad and Kuwait City closed along with overland border crossing points, the spokesman added.

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#90221d8190 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (AUG. 9) - King Fahd of Saudi Arabia confirmed Thursday that his country requested the deployment of foreign and Arab troops, including those from the United States and Britain.

The measure was taken for ''purely defensive purposes'', said Fahd in an address broadcast on Saudi Tv. The presence of these forces on Saudi soil was temporary, he stressed.

''The kingdom of Saudi Arabia expressed desire in the particiation of brotherly Arab and other friendly foreign forces,'' said Fahd in his

statement.

Several thousand American troops and dozens of combat aircraft have already arrived in Saudi Arabia, most of them at Dhahran base on the Gulf coast, Pentagon sources said Thursday.

The U.S. soldiers are equipped with gas masks and protective suits in case Iraq decides to use some of its stockpile of chemical weapons in a possible attack on Saudi Arabia.

The Saudi monarch denounced the Iraq assault on Kuwait a week ago, calling on Baghdad's forces to pull out, and demanded the re-instatement of the ruling Sabah family.

The Iraqi invasion was ''the ugliest aggression ever seen in the modern history of the Arab nation'', said Fahd.

It wasn't clear Thursday whether Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would attend an emergency League summit in Cairo, which has been described by some Arab leaders as a ''last chance'' for a peaceful settlement of the crisis.

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#90221d8300 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (AUG. 9) - World sanctions against Iraq following its invasion of its Gulf neighbour Kuwait have fuelled anxiety in Arab nations about negative economic repercussions in the region but have sparked mixed political reactions.

In Egypt, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's action has been met with widespread criticism among the population. One Cairo taxi driver summed up what many of his compatriots feel. Drawing his hand across his throat, he said: ''Just finish him off.''

The Egyptian media, too, has been unusually critical of other Arab nations' reaction to the crisis.

The government-orientated al-Akhbar newspaper said in reference to a failure by Jordan, Sudan and Yemen and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo) to support the Arab League's condemnation of Iraq:

''The world's reaction to the Iraqi invasion was unique in the history of interational relations... Unfortunately the handful of countries, which did not denounce the aggression, were Arab nations,'' the paper added.

''The West now compares Iraq with Nazi Germany ... May God help the Arab world which has been plunged into an unprecedented gloomy crisis by the

uncalculable Iraqi actions - a crisis from which nobody knows a way out,'' al-Akbar added.

In Lebanon, fears are mounting about the collapse of the economy in the Gulf which analysts said would affect the country's economy, already battered by the ongoing civil war.

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MOSCOW (AUG. 9) - Armenia considers the role of the Soviet central government under a new treaty should be to act only as coordinator between the republics, Armenian President Levon Ter-Petrossian said here Thursday.

The people of the Soviet Union will find an "acceptable future" if the Union acts as a coordinator between republics and governments, "but each republic should have its own constitution and own legislation," Mr. Ter-Petrossian said.

The Armenian parliament has been preparing a declaration of independence since the beginning of the week which could be adopted in the next few days.

"The treaty of the Union will have a coordinating function between the republics, neither more nor less," said the Armenian leader, who was elected president of the Armenian Supreme Soviet (parliament) on Saturday.

The main preoccupation now for the new leadership in Armenia is the question of armed militias. The 15-day time limit on President Mikhail Gorbachev's ultimatum ordering nationalist militia to turn in their arms ended Wednesday.

"I am sure that I will be given the necessary time to apply the presidential decree," said Mr. Ter-Petrossian, who met Wednesday with Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov at the Kremlin.

He also said he spoke by phone with Mr. Gorbachev, vacationing near the Black Sea, who congratulated him on his recent election.

The Armenian leader said "it is understood" that implementation of the decree will be entrusted to the Armenian republic's authorities "without intervention by special troops of the Ministry of the Interior."

Mr. Ter-Petrossian described some Soviet estimates of 160,000 men in the Armenian militia as a "myth," putting the figure closer to 5,000 armed men.

"The Armenian National Army (one of the main militia groups) made it known three days ago that it was ready to submit to parliament, " he said.

One of the solutions to be included in the proposed declaration of sovereignty is creation of an army in the Armenian Republic, a process which the Armenian president said was a "trend" noted in all Soviet republics.

On the Armenian enclave in Azerbaijan, Nagorny-Karabakh, Mr. Ter-Petrossian said the first step towards a compromise would be "the re-establishment of a legal Soviet authority in Karabakh."

Mr. Ter-Petrossian, 45, one of the founders of the Karabakh Commitee, spent six months in prison in 1989 when the committee was forcibly dissolved by Moscow.

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#90221d8450 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 9) - Some 170,000 Indians are stranded in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait and the Indian government said Thursday it is trying to find a way to get them out.

Foreign Minister Inder Kumar Gujral told parliament Thursday that New Delhi was exploring the possibility of evacuating them through Oman by road and sea, adding that it was in touch with the International Red Cross for help.

But the minister rejected opposition demands that Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh personally contact Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to ensure the safety of Indians in Kuwait.

The rejection sparked a protest walkout from the lower house by members of former prime minister Rajiv Gandhi's Congress (I) party, who accused the government of not doing enough for Kuwait-based Indians.

Mr. Gujral described the situation in Kuwait as "war-like," with the airport and the seaport closed and communications cut.

But all Indians living in the tiny oil-rich Gulf state, whose annexation was announced by Baghdad Wednesday, are safe, he said. The Iraqi government had ordered its troops to protect Indians, he added.

The minister made no comment on Kuwait's annexation or the deployment of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, saying the government was still studying the "whole situation."

India has refrained from outright condemnation of Baghdad's action, but called for a withdrawal of Iraqi troops who occupied Kuwait on August 2.

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#90221d8480 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 9) - Israeli Defence Minister Moshe Arens Thursday attacked French arms supplies to Iraq in a strongly-worded interview which could fuel political embarrassment over a policy which enabled Baghdad to build up a mighty arsenal.

"Unfortunately, Iraq has many French aircraft, which are the best it has, and I suppose that many in Paris regret having sold these planes and the corresponding missiles to the Iraqis," the Israeli minister said in an interview published by the French daily Le Figaro.

Iraq on Wednesday announced that it had annexed Kuwait, which it invaded last week.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein "has Mirage (fighter planes), Gazelle helicopters and Exocet air-to-sea missiles which are the 'nec plus ultra' (star performers) of its equipment. Today, the Iraqi army is more powerful than the French army, and it has a bigger air force," Mr. Arens went on.

"France supplied its first nuclear reactor (destroyed by an Israeli attack in June 1981). And I know that France continued to provide assistance after it (Iraq) used chemical arms against the Iranians" during the Gulf war, he added.

France in May suspended its arms shipments to Iraq to protest Baghdad's non-payment of a debt totalling some 24 billion francs (4.6 billion dollars) and mostly dating from a 1974 military accord.

Paris has also joined in U.N.- and European Economic Community sanctions adopted since the invasion of Kuwait, but has so far declined to join a U.S.-led multi-national force being deployed in Saudi Arabia as a deterrent to Iraq.

But French President Francois Mitterrand was returning to Paris Thursday from his vacation home at Latche in southwestern France to chair a crisis meeting of his inner cabinet focusing on the Gulf.

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#90221d8560 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 9) - The threat of chemical warfare in Saudi Arabia combined with the extremely harsh climate and terrain on the Arabian peninsula, pose major logistical obstacles to ground and air forces there, according to military experts.

"If Iraqi troops have an advantage over western soldiers in the region it is the fact that they are used to the temperatures" which can average

between 110 and 120 degrees fahrenheit (45 to 50 centigrade) during the summer, said Nick Cook, aviation editor with Jane's Defence Weekly.

"Your average 82 Airborne troop, tough as he is, is not accustomed to unabated exposure to temperatures like there are in this region," Mr. Cook said.

Soldiers operating in the searing temperatures of the Arabian peninsula face a high risk of heat stroke, which can be fatal, dehydration and heat exhaustion and the forces stationed there face the immediate logistical challenge of maintaining continuous supplies of ice and fresh water to avoid these risks.

The danger to ground forces posed by the heat is compounded by the threat of a chemical weapons attack from Iraq, which Mr. Cook said was "already emerging as the most important factor in this conflict."

To defend against that threat, soldiers would have to wear special rubber "nuclear, biological and chemical suits," or NBC suits which raise body temperatures substantially and require troops to consume around 40 liters of water per day to avoid dehydration.

"Troops might be able to do without their gas masks for a while, but they would have to wear most of the NBC suit that NATO forces are equipped with -- which covers the entire body -- for most of the time," Mr. Cook said.

He said the Iraqi threat to use chemical weapons was "the one thing that differentiates this conflict from any other since World War I."

Along with ensuring vast supplies of fresh water, the forces being sent to Saudi Arabia would also need to send specially trained medical personnel and equipment as a precaution against a chemical attack.

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#90221d8600 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 9) - Pakistan's caretaker government is deeply interested in improving relations with India, soured by Moslem separatist turmoil in Kashmir, Islamabad's foreign secretary said here Thursday.

Tanvir Ahmed Khan said interim Prime Minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi's administration was keen to establish friendly relations with New Delhi by removing the "underlying causes of the current misunderstandings."

Mr. Khan arrived here Thursday for talks with his Indian counterpart, Muchkund Dubey, which are expected to focus on Kashmir.

He told Indian news agencies on arrival that his talks with Mr. Dubey

starting Friday would seek to set up a framework in which the two governments could open a "new chapter in India-Pakistan relations."

The talks will be held against the backdrop of Monday's sacking of Benazir Bhutto as Pakistan prime minister. Her 19-month-old government was replaced by the interim administration, which will rule until elections set for October 24.

Mr. Khan's statement appeared designed to scotch fears expressed by Indian analysts that Ms. Bhutto's removal meant a more dominant role for hawkish elements in the Pakistani military which could step up intervention in Kashmir.

The official said he had been mandated by the caretaker premier to state "very clearly" in New Delhi that Islamabad wanted a "cooperative, mutually-beneficial" relationship.

He described Ms. Bhutto's sacking as "an internal democratic development."

"This was a ... democratic manifestation of a certain process that had been going on for some time," he added.

The talks, the second between Mr. Khan and Mr. Dubey in a month, have been set to try and reduce border tensions over Kashmir, which have sent relations plunging to an all-time low.

India accuses Pakistan of arming and training Moslem secessionists in Kashmir, whose disputed ownership has been the cause of two of their three wars.

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#90221d8610 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 9) - India and Pakistan were to begin a second round of talks here Thursday in a bid to reduce tensions over Kashmir against the backdrop of Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's abrupt dismissal.

Pakistan Foreign Secretary Tanvir Ahmad Khan was to meet his Indian counterpart Muchkund Dubey to hammer out what an Asian diplomat described as "concrete proposals" aimed at defusing tensions.

The diplomat said the talks would focus mainly on Kashmir, where anti-Indian Moslem militants are spearheading a bloody secessionist campaign, and the massing of troops by India on its northern border with Pakistan.

Indian external affairs ministry officials said the two foreign secretaries would be assisted by experts at the three-day talks and added that New

Delhi was hoping for progress.

"We hope to make progress this time," a senior ministry official said, adding that the two sides had discussed several "confidence-building measures" during July talks.

The two foreign secretaries met in Islamabad last month, but reached no agreement on the "vital issues" of Kashmir and the retreat of troops to peacetime positions.

Indian officials said the talks had nonetheless helped the two sides identify specific problems that have sent relations plunging to rock bottom.

Pakistan's interim prime minister, Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi, said Wednesday he had asked Mr. Khan to resume the talks, but added that "genuine peace" between the two Asian neighbours could not be established without a solution to the Kashmir dispute.

Mr. Jatoi's statement echoed the stand of Ms. Bhutto's deposed government, which extended moral support to the Moslem secessionist campaign in Kashmir which it described as a legitimate struggle for self-determination.

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#90221d8690 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 9) - Foreigners, including Americans, West Germans, Britons and Egyptians, Thursday continued to flee Iraq and Kuwait via Saudi Arabia and Jordan as military tension heightened in the Gulf.

About 150 Egyptians crossed the Iraqi border with Jordan in the early morning hours, Jordanian sources said. Some 40,000 Egyptians, who were working in Iraq, were still awaiting permission to leave the country for Jordan, the Egyptian news agency Mena reported from Amman.

In addition, 83 non-Arabic foreigners, among them 28 Germans, 22 Britons and seven Americans, crossed the border to Jordan, the Jordanian sources added.

Cairo authorities provided additional ferries to facilitate the return home of Egyptians from Iraq and Kuwait via the Jordanian Red Sea port of Aqaba to Nuwaiba. Some 700 Egyptians, who fled Kuwait via Saudi Arabia, poured into Aqaba in the past 24 hours alone.

Egyptian charge d'affaires to Jordan Ramsi Alam said all Egyptian refugees had praised the Saudi authorities for their help. The diplomat said he expected that several thousand Egyptians would leave Kuwait in the next few days.

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#90221d8890 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (AUG. 9) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker is to meet Friday with the Soviet Union's new NATO envoy during a meeting here of NATO alliance ministers to discuss the Gulf crisis, diplomatic sources said Thursday.

The meeting between Mr. Baker and Soviet ambassador Nikolai Afanasievsky will be the first time in the history of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation that the U.S. holds direct NATO talks with the Soviet Union.

Following a trip to Turkey, where troops have been mobilised near the Iraq border, Mr. Baker will be in Brussels on Friday to meet with NATO ministers to discuss the annexation of Kuwait by Iraq less than a week after the Iraqi invasion of the Gulf emirate.

Mr. Afanasievsky was appointed Soviet ambassador to NATO on August 2 by President Mikhail Gorbachev, the Tass news agency reported.

A month earlier, NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner had said the Soviet Union would soon receive diplomatic status within NATO.

On Thursday, Mr. Afanasievsky had still not completed formal procedures to obtain his diplomatic creditials within the alliance, NATO sources said.

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#90221d9090 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FRANKFURT (AUG. 9) - The yield on West German federal five-year bonds is to rise from Friday from 8.50 per cent to 8.75 per cent, the West German finance ministry said on Thursday.

Series 92 bonds, expiring in 1995 and carrying a nominal yield of 8.75 percent, are to be sold at 100 percent, increasing the effective yield from 8.50 per cent to 8.75 percent. The ministry also announced an increase in yields on various treasury bonds.

On the Frankfurt bond market, yields have been rising for several days, particularly in response to uncertainty over the crisis in the Middle East, and over German unification.

On Wednesday, the average yield of federal ten-year loan stock rose above nine percent to 9.01 percent compared with 8.51 percent on July 25. On July 19, the government reduced the yield on federal loan stock from 8.57 percent to 8.50 percent.

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#90221d9120 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 9) - Iran told Japan Thursday it was considering increasing its oil production to help stabilize the world oil market amid tensions in the Gulf following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, a press report here said.

Japanese news agency Jiji Press quoted government sources as saying the message was conveyed by Iran's ambassador to Japan, Hosein Kazempur Ardebili, to the Japanese government.

But Mr. Ardebili did not specify how much Iran might boost its oil output, the sources said. Iran and Iraq are allotted an output quota of 3.14 million barrels a day each by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) for the second half of this year.

The envoy was quoted as saying that OPEC has yet to decide whether or not to increase output, but Iran is positively considering increasing oil production.

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#90221d9130 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (AUG. 9) - Poland has joined the Warsaw Pact members Soviet Union and Hungary in establishing diplomatic relations with the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato), the western alliance announced here Thursday.

Nato secretary General Manfred Woerner welcomed a statement from the Polish Foreign Ministry saying that the Polish ambassador in Brussels would henceforth represent his country with Nato.

At their summit conference in early July, the heads of state and government of Nato had invited the Warsaw Pact member countries to establish permanent diplomatic contact with the western alliance. Sources in Brussels said Romania has also shown interest in contact with Nato.

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#90221d9140 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (AUG. 9) - About 300 Nigerians have taken refuge in the West German embassy in Monrovia, putting the total number of Nigerians holed up in the diplomatic compound at close to 500, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said here Thursday.

According to the spokesman, Liberian troops loyal to rebel leader Charles Taylor attacked the Nigerian embassy, causing about 300 people refuged there to seek shelter in the nearby West German mission.

About 170 Liberians, 16 West Germans, one American and a French woman had already been in the West German embassy since the beginning of the month, so the compound was already "saturated" when the Nigerians flooded in, the spokesman said.

The spokesman added that food supplies could feed the 500 refugees for "the next few days."

"We are in contact with the Americans in view of a possible evacuation," the spokesman said.

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#90221d9170 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 9) - Bonn expects that economic growth in what is now West Germany will slacken to between 3 and 3.5 per cent in 1991 following an estimated 4 per cent growth this year, State Secretary in the Economics Ministry Otto Schlecht said Thursday.

A decline in exports to the country's major trading partners like the United States as part of a ''world interest rate rise'' was to blame for the expected slackening.

He said demand from what is now East Germany would give the West German economy an expected growth impulse of between 0.5 to 1.0 percentage points in 1991 following nearly 0.5 per cent this year. But continuing high demand for West German goods by East Germany could not offset the decline in exports.

With inflation expected to be 2.5 per cent this year, he said prospects for the economy this year and in 1991 looked ''fantastic''.

He predicted that 1990, the eighth successive year of economic upswing with an cumulative growth of nearly 30 per cent, would see unemployment fall to below 2 million for the first time since 1982.

The two Germanys are expected to unite by the end of this year following the introduction of a currency union in July.

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#90221d9180 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 9) - Scandinavian firms (including Finland in that designation) bought almost as many companies in the European Economic Community (EEC) in the first six months of 1990 as they did in all 1989, a British publication said Wednesday.

The latest edition of Acquisitions Monthly said that Finnish, Swedish,

Norwegian and Danish firms purchased 217 companies valued at 7.89 billion pounds (14.7 billion dollars) in the European Economic Community during the first half of 1990, as opposed to only 265 EEC companies valued at 2.09 billion pounds (3.89 billion dollars) for all of 1989.

The Scandinavian companies are hoping to gain a foothold in the European market which will be instituted in 1992, or, in the case of EEC member Denmark, are looking to reinforce their position, according to the magazine.

Swedish firms were the most aggressive among the four countries, buying 126 EEC companies for 6.6 billion pounds (12.14 billion dollars), far more than American companies, which bought 23 EEC companies for 904 million pounds (1.66 billion dollars).

Finnish companies were the second most active in the group, followed by Denmark and Norway.

Great Britain was the most popular EEC destination for Scandinavian capital, followed by West Germany and France.

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#90221d9200 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 9) - President Frederik de Klerk is to pay an official visit to Madagascar on Aug 14 -- his fifth visit to an African country since he became president in August 1989, reports said here Thursday.

Quoting an unnamed government source, the pro-government Citizen newspaper said Mr. De Klerk would be meeting President Didier Ratsiraka -- who has been ruling Madagascar for the past 15 years -- next Tuesday.

Mr. De Klerk's visit will coincide with a South African Airways (SAA) flight to Madagascar which is set to pave the way for scheduled flights from South Africa to Madagascar later this year, the Citizen said.

Earlier this year, following reforms announced by Mr. De Klerk which included the unbanning of the anti-apartheid African National Congress (ANC) on February 2, Madagascar granted SAA flying rights.

The Citizen said officials from SAA and Air Madagascar have been involved in exploratory talks for some time about the establishment of a scheduled air service between the two countries.

Both Mr. De Klerk's office and the Department of Foreign Affairs refused to comment on the Citizen report.

Last year Mr. De Klerk visited Zambia, Zaire, the Ivory Coast and

Mozambique where he held talks with the countries' heads-of-state.

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#90221d9270 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (AUG. 9) - Opposition deputies walked out of the Indian parliament Thursday after chiding the government of Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh for lacking a ''Gulf policy'' following the invasion and annexation of Kuwait by Iraq.

The walkout by the Congress (I) and Muslim League party members came at the end of a 100-minute heated debate in the Lok Sabha (Lower House) when they insisted that Singh should talk to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and seek his help in evacuating 172,000 Indians from Kuwait.

Foreign Minister Inder Kumar Gujral said if Singh were to talk to Hussein, the first thing that the Iraqi leader would want to know would be New Delhi's stand on the Gulf crisis.

Gujral tried unsuccessfully to explain to the agitated deputies that India was in the process of formulating its position on the ''complicated situation'' and that it was too early to ''commit'' anything now on the issue.

Stating that all the Indians in Kuwait were safe, including those working on the Kuwait-Iraq border, Gujral said India was keen on evacuating all its nationals from Kuwait but this would prove to be a difficult task in the existing circumstances.

Clearly dissatisfied with the minister's response, the Congress and Muslim League members walked out of the debating chamber amidst loud protests.

-30- 1536
#90221d9290 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) - As U.S. ground and air forces continued to land in Saudi Arabia Thursday, there was broad public support for President George Bush's decision to order what may be the largest U.S. military overseas deployment since the Vietnam War.

A poll in the daily USA Today showed that more 80 per cent of Americans surveyed backed the deployment, aimed at deterring an Iraqi attack against a country which Washington considers of vital strategic interest.

About half of those polled said they were prepared to make sacrifices at home and to keep troops in Saudi Arabia "as long as it takes."

Mr. Bush also won strong bipartisan support in Congress for his decision

although legislators warned against the United States going it alone in the Gulf.

"I hope we will not be the 'Lone Ranger' like we were in Vietnam," said Senator Alan Cranston, a California Democrat.

Echoing this sentiment, The New York Times said in an editorial Thursday: "Americans will not be willing to pay the costs in Saudi Arabia indefinitely when others help with no more than sideline cheers. The United States cannot withstand the inevitable backlash in the Muslim world unless Arab states send troops to Saudi Arabia."

"Japan, as dependent on Gulf oil as the West, can certainly provide funds for the expeditionary forces...The participation and assistance of these and other countries will determine success or failure in the Arabian desert."

As giant C-5 Galaxy transports laden with U.S. paratroops landed in the Saudi city of Dhahran early Thursday, the magnitude of the operation began to sink in here.

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#90221d9320 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 9) - Soviet deputy foreign ministers Alexander Belonogov and Yuri Kvisinski met here Thursday with top embassy officials from Warsaw Pact allied countries to discuss the Gulf crisis, Tass news agency reported.

The envoys were informed of the attitude and practical steps taken by Moscow with regard to the Gulf crisis, including its position at the United Nations, Tass said.

Moscow aimed to prevent the escalation of the conflict and bring about a political dialogue to settle the crisis, it said.

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#90221d9500 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 9) - The United Nations Security Council, by a 15-0 vote, Thursday declared Iraq's annexation of Kuwait "null and void."

"Annexation of Kuwait by Iraq under any form and whatever pretext has no validity and is considered null and void," the council said in its third resolution on the Gulf crisis since Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2.

Iraq's decision-making Revolutionary Command Council Wednesday declared

Kuwait an integral part of Iraq, and that the union was "total and irreversible."

The U.N. resolution Thursday called on "all states, international organizations, specialized agencies not to recognize that annexation and to refrain from any action or dealing that might be interpreted as an indirect recognition of the annexation."

It demanded that Iraq "rescind its actions purporting to annex Kuwait."

Speaking after Thursday's vote, the U.S. ambassador here, Thomas Pickering, defended the U.N. action as "necessary because Iraq is attempting to extinguish the sovereignty of a member state of the United Nations.

"There is something repugnant, chilling and vaguely familiar about the statement issued yesterday by the Iraqi Revolutionary Command Council. We have heard that rhetoric before."

The Security Council Monday approved a worldwide trade embargo against the regime of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Hours after the Iraqi invasion, it condemned the invasion and demanded the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from oil-rich Kuwait.

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#90221d9540 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 9) - Singapore Premier Lee Kuan Yew Thursday took the salute of 66 armed contingents as the Asian island state celebrated the 25th anniversary of its independence with the country's biggest ever military parade in downtown Singapore.

Lee, dressed in his ruling People's Action Party's all-white uniform and flanked by his cabinet ministers, watched a 250-vehicle mobile column of military and non-military segments drive past.

The two-hour show also included the first-ever sea review of 150 vessels of the national navy in the Strait of Singapore, south of the parade grounds, and a display of Air Force planes.

American-made F-16 and F-5 fighter jets and Super Pumas of the Singapore Air Force thundered over the parade grounds followed by other Air Force units, including E2C hawkeyes and Skyhawks.

At the end of the National Day parade, 25 white doves were released to mark the nation's 25 years of independence.

Lee is due to hand over his job to First Deputy Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong in November when he steps down after 31 years in office.

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#90221d9550 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 9) - Moscow Thursday publicly raised the possibility of Soviet participation in an international intervention force in the Gulf, shortly before a meeting of the United Nations Security Council.

As the U.N. security council prepared to meet in New York to condemn Iraq's annexation of Kuwait, the Soviet Foreign Ministry rejected unilateral use of force in the Gulf, but suggested Moscow was prepared to take part in immediate talks on joint military action by the U.N.

Moscow "is prepared for immediate consultations within the framework of the U.N. Security Council's military staff committee, which according to the U.N. charter, can perform very important functions," according to the Foreign Ministry statement read out at a press conference here.

The security council, for the purpose of maintaining international peace and security, can be assisted by a Military Staff Committee consisting of the Chiefs of Staff, or their representatives, from the permanent members of the security council -- France, Britain, China, the United States and the Soviet Union.

"At this stage we are not considering taking part in the multinational force, the naval blockade or any other measures outside the framework of security council decisions," Soviet spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh also said.

"The Soviet position is that the settlement of the situation related to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait must follow coordinated actions within the framework of the U.N. security council," he added.

The statement follows the dispatch by the United States of fighters and paratroopers to Saudi Arabia and the decision by Britain to send Tornado fighter-bombers to the Gulf.

Warships from several nations, including the Soviet Union, are also steaming towards the Gulf, and Mr. Gremytskikh said two Soviet naval units were currently on station there to "ensure the security of the Soviet merchant fleet" in the region.

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#90221d9640 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 9) - President Mikhail Gorbachev published a decree Thurdsay establishing a fund that will manage and privatize state property, TASS news agency reported.

The decree, published by TASS, institutes a fund "to protect the rights of the state regarding property and its interests," to manage joint ventures involving shareholders and to privatise the economy.

The fund will also determine the the value of state property being leased, sold or "transformed into other forms of propertym," TASS said.

The fund was set up in response to the move by the Soviet Union towards a market economy involving transformation of a number of large state-owned enterprises into private or partially-privatised businesses in which shareholders own an interest.

"The state must create conditions for rational use and preservation of its property, and find modern forms in order to use them in the economy," the decree said.

The main thrust of creation of the funds was to "elaborate and put into effect stock-controlled joint ventures," as well as businesses based on other forms of ownership, while "breaking the monopoly in production," the decree said.

The fund will not be operative until it is given government approval, TASS said.

On Wednesday, the Soviet government published a law which provides for establishment of a network of small businesses across the country to be aided by "all executive bodies."

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#90221d9800 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 9) - The presidium of the parliament of the Russian Federation published a decree Thursday forbidding the Soviet Union to export key resources from Russia without prior approval, according to the Soviet news agency TASS.

The decree "invalidates external trade agreements for sale of strategic resources" signed by the Soviet union, TASS reported.

Specific resources mentioned in the decree include diamonds, precious and non-precious metals, petrol, gas, uranium and other strategic resources and products extracted or manufactured on Russian territory.

The presidium, an executive committee, founded its decision on the declaration of sovereignty adopted by Russia in June.

Russian President Boris Yeltsin is currently touring the republic.

The Russian Republic accounts for some 80 percent of primary materials produced in the Soviet Union.

According to the text of the decree, Russian authorities have the right to accept or to refuse contracts signed by Soviet officials.

The Russian government will examine all agreements signed with foreign trading partners, and only agreements concluded with the participation of Russian representatives will be considered valid, according to TASS.

A Russian official attributed the rapid adoption of the decree to the necessity of controlling "resources extracted from Russian territory by federal organs."

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#90221d9830 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 9) - About 50 Iraqis demonstrated Thursday in front of the United States embassy in central London, shouting out anti-American and anti-Israeli slogans, police said.

"We Iraqis feel that a one-sided propaganda war has been mounted and very effectively propagated by Zionist forces in Europe and America," a leaflet distributed by the demonstrators said. "We support the free government of Kuwait, which stopped the theft of Kuwaiti wealth by the deposed emir and his family."

Police and anti-riot squads maintained a high profile at the demonstration in London's posh Grosvenor Square district.

Several dozen Kuwaitis meanwhile demonstrated in front of their embassy in London, as they have done since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait a week ago.

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#90221d9850 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) - U.S. President George Bush will start his holiday in Kennebunkport, Maine, as planned Friday despite the heightening of military tension in the Gulf, White House officials said Thursday.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater told reporters Bush would be able to follow events in the Gulf and if necessary contact Washington's allies from his holiday home in Kennebunkport.

Since the U.S. military forces were ordered to Saudi Arabia only to defend the country and were not involved in a war it was not necessary for the president to follow events there ''minute by minute'', the spokesman added.

However, it was possible that Bush might interrupt his holiday to fly back to the capital briefly for a day before his scheduled return to Washington on September 3, he said.

He said the White House welcomed the latest decision by the United Nations Security Council to declare Iraq's annexation of Kuwait null and void as a further move in the world's condemnation of Baghdad.

Fitzwater said the world appeared to be abiding by an earlier decision by the Security Council to impose comprehensive economic sanctions against Iraq in reaction to its invasion of Kuwait one week ago.

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#90221d9890 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 9) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,648.00 (1,577.00) 1,591.50 (1,545.50)
Lead 472.00 (466.00) 473.50 (468.00)
Zinc Hg 1,667.50 (1,655.00) 1,578.50 (1,549.00)
Tin 6,000.00 (5,985.00) 6,125.00 (6,095.00)
Aluminium 1,776.00 (1,771.50) 1,799.50 (1,798.00)
Nickel 10,712.00 (10,712.00) 10,613.00 (10,312.00)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel ind dollars per ton)

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#90221d9950 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (AUG. 9) - Solidarity leader Lech Walesa said Thursday he is in favour of direct presidential elections in Poland and called for the end of "personal attacks" among rival political factions within his movement.

In a statement released in Gdansk, Mr. Walesa's appeared to be taking the opposite view from that of his "presidential party," the Centre Alliance, which has called for Mr. Walesa to be elected president by the Polish parliament in accordance with the constitution.

Mr. Walesa's statement was more in line, on the other hand, with a proposal by supporters of his rival, Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, that the constitution be amended to permit a direct presidential vote.

"I believe, and I have always believed, that Poland needs a head of state with significant powers and elected by universal suffrage," Mr. Walesa said.

Forthcoming legislative and presidential elections "must take place as soon as possible" and must be "entirely free and democratic," Mr. Walesa added.

Referring to the rivalry that has pitted him against against Mr. Mazowiecki, Mr. Walesa said "it is time to put an end to personal attacks."

Calling for "tolerance towards the political culture," Mr. Walesa said that "to make Poland democratic, the important thing is not men, but programs."

Polish President General Wojciech Jaruzelski has said he would be prepared to step down "at the right moment," but has not indicated any readiness to leave his post within the next few weeks, as the Centre Alliance has been demanding.

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#90221d9960 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 9) - The 21 members of the International Energy Agency (IEA) agreed here Thursday that the industrialized countries oil supplies are not sufficiently threatened by the embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil to demand exceptional measures for the time being.

IEA Steering Committee chairman Ulrich Engelmann said "There is no shortage for the moment," speaking after a meeting of the committee, which includes representatives of all member countries.

He added that "the increase in oil prices noted (over the last few days) is only a speculative reaction to negative political events" -- referring to the Gulf conflict that began August 2 when Iraq invaded Kuwait. "Hence there is no reason to invoke the IEA's emergency procedures."

The United Nations ordered an oil embargo on both Iraq and Kuwait, giving rise to fears of oil shortages in industrial countries.

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#90221d9980 08/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WOLFSBURG, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 9) - West German auto manufacturer Volkswagen said on Thursday that it intends to set up a company specialising in financing services in Japan.

Volkswagen's Japanese marketing branch, called Volkswagen Audi Nippon KK, and Nippon Shinpan Co. Ltd, one of the biggest consumer credit organisations in the Japanese non-banking sector, are to sign a joint-venture agreement.

The company will have capital of 40 million Deutschemarks (25 million dollars), and will be controlled 51 per cent by VW Audi Nippon KK and 49 per cent by Nippon Shinpan.

It will provide a range of services linked to financing purchases of Volkswagen or Audi cars.

In 1989 the Volkswagen group sold 49,200 VW and Audi cars in Japan compared with 42,000 in 1988.

Sales in the first half of 1990 totalled 26,700 cars, representing an increase of 18.1 per cent over the same period of 1989.

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#90221e0013 08/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (AUG 9) EFE - The number of jobless in Spain fell by 32,533 during July, bringing the unemployment rate down to 15.09 per cent, its lowest level since October, 1982, official figures showed Thursday.

The Labor Ministry statistics put the number of registered unemployed at 2,262,301.

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#90221e0020 08/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MANILA (AUG 9) EFE - At least nine people were killed and 20 more were seriously injured Thursday when a fireworks factory in a Philippine town burst into flames after a strong explosion, the town's mayor said.

Mayor Daniel Edralino of Candelaria, in the province of Quezon, some 90 km south of Manila, said the explosion ripped through the factory when some 30 employees were inside.

Firefighters managed to put out the blaze several hours later and rescued several survivors suffering from third-degree burns and, in some cases, with limbs blown off by the explosion.

The cause of the blast was not known, but town authorities ordered an immediate investigation.

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#90221e0021 08/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LONDON (AUG 9) EFE - Prospecting by British Gas is destroying Ecuador's jungle and endangering the survival of Indians in the region, the ecology organization "Friends of the Earth" claimed Thursday.

The group said in a statement that BG's Ecuadorean subsiduiary was failing to take the necessary precautions to protect the environment in its search for untapped veins of natural gas in the eastern jungle province of Pastaza.

The province lies on the western edge of the Amazon jungle, which is rapidly deteriorating as land developers, particually in Brazil, raze thousands of square kilometers of the rainforest each year.

In a letter to the company's management, Friends of the Earth member Simon Counsell accused British Gas of boasting about its ecological policies in Britain while ignoring threats to the environment in other areas of the world.

A spokesman for the gas company described as "totally distorted" the ecology group's claims regarding the company's activities in Ecuador.

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#90221e0028 08/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MONTEVIDEO (AUG 9) EFE - The presidents of Argentina, Uruguay, Brazil, and Chile are set to visit U.S. leader George Bush in the United States in September to discuss a proposed pan-American free trade zone, diplomats said Thursday.

The five leaders will discuss the U.S.-proposed Americas Initiative, put forward by Bush on June 27, which envisages a free trade zone extending from Anchorage in Alaska to Tierra del Fuego in Argentina.

Washington is selling the idea to Latin America on the basis of a partial reduction of Latin American foreign debt, substantial U.S. private investment and a huge North American market for cheap agricultural produce.

Presidents Carlos Menem (Argentina), Fernando Collor de Mello (Brazil), Patricio Aylwin (Chile) and Luis Alberto Lacalle (Uruguay) will hold their meeting with Bush when they travel to the United States to attend a United Albed a half-day visit to La Paz, where Bolivian Presidency Minister Gustavo Fernandez expressed his government's interest in entering the proposed Americas-wide free trade zone.

-30- 1238

#90221e0033 08/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MURCIA, SPAIN (AUG 9) EFE - Seven people were killed, including two small children, and another seven were injured Thursday after a gasoline tanker truck swerved off the road and burst into flames in southeastern Spain, Civil Guards said.

A Civil Guard spokesmen said the accident occurred after the Campsa oil company truck's brakes failed and the vehicle spun out of control on a road on the outskirts of Murcia, 360 km southwest of Madrid.

The truck hurtled through pedestrians, stationary vehicles, and into buildings before bursting into flames.

Several shops and houses were destroyed or badly damaged in the blaze.

The driver was among those killed in the incident. Four of the seven people injured are reportedly in a serious condition in hospital.

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#90221e0038 08/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BRASILIA (AUG. 9) EFE - Brazilian police Thursday arrested the son of former Paraguayan dictator Gen. Alfredo Stroessner on corruption charges, radio reports said.

The government of Paraguayan President Gen. Andres Rodriguez had asked for the extradition of Gustavo Stroessner, who fled to Brazil with his father following a February 1989 coup which ended Stroessner's 34-year dictatorship.

Reports on radio station "Jornal do Brasil" said Gen. Stroessner, resident in Brazil with his family, had asked the Brazilian foreign ministry to treat his son's case with "special attention".

The foreign ministry said the matter was out of its hands and was dependent on the Supreme Court, which favored extraditing Gustavo, according to the radio reports.

Earlier in the year a Paraguayan court handed out a 13-month jail sentence to a former consul to Brazil for assorted financial crimes.

After the coup, some 12 senior Stroessner aides were charged with corruption.

-30- 1162

#90221f0787 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	4	0	1	0	Miller cf	4	2	3	0
Daulton c	2	2	1	1	Magadan 1b	4	3	2	0
VHayes lf	3	0	0	0	Jefferies 2b	5	1	2	3

Murphy rf	4	1	2	1	McRynlds lf	5	1	2	0
Kruk 1b	4	0	1	2	Strawbrry rf	3	0	2	3
Herr 2b	4	0	1	0	Johnson ss	3	0	0	1
McDowell p	0	0	0	0	Teufel 3b	5	0	1	0
CHayes 3b	4	0	0	0	Mercado c	3	0	1	0
Thon ss	4	0	0	0	Cone p	3	1	0	0
Carman p	1	0	0	0	Whitehurst p	0	0	0	0
Hollins ph	1	0	0	0					
Ruffin p	0	0	0	0					
Ready ph-2b	1	1	0	0					
Totals	32	4	6	4	Totals	35	8	13	7

Philadelphia 000 001 030-4
New York 120 320 00x-8

E-CHayes. LOB-Philadelphia 5, New York 11. 2B-Jefferies, Dykstra, McReynolds, Murphy, Kruk. HR-Daulton (8). SF-Strawberry.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Carman (L 5-1)	4	10	6	6	6	4
Ruffin	3	3	2	2	1	1
McDowell	1	0	0	0	0	0
New York						
Cone (W 8-5)	7 2-3	5	4	4	4	5
Whitehurst	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	0

T-2:47. A-41,204.

Umpires-Home, Brocklander; 1b, Marsh; 2b, Wendelstedt; 3b, West.

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ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Thompson rf	4	0	1	0	Walton cf	6	0	1	0
DiPino p	0	0	0	0	Sandberg 2b	7	0	1	0
CWilson ph	1	0	1	1	Grace 1b	6	0	4	0
Niedenfuer p	0	0	0	0	Dawson rf	7	0	2	1
Jones 2b	0	0	0	0	Clark lf	3	0	0	0
OSmith ss	7	0	1	0	Villanuev ph	0	0	0	0
McGee cf	7	0	2	0	Dascenzo lf	0	0	0	0
Guerrero 1b	5	1	1	0	Lancaster p	0	0	0	0
Pendleton 3b	5	1	1	1	Varsho ph	1	1	1	0
Zeile c	7	1	2	0	SWilson p	2	0	1	0
Hudler rf	6	0	4	1	Long p	0	0	0	0
Oquendo 2b	6	0	1	0	Salazar lf	6	1	2	0

Terry p	0	0	0	0	Dunston ss	5	0	0	0
DeLeon p	2	0	0	0	Girardi c	6	2	2	1
Walling ph	1	0	1	0	Harkey p	3	0	0	0
Collins pr	0	0	0	0	Assenmchr p	0	0	0	0
Dayley p	0	0	0	0	Ramos 3b	0	0	0	0
LSmith p	0	0	0	0	JSmith lf	3	0	1	0
Coleman lf	2	0	0	0					
Totals	53	3	15	3	Totals	55	4	15	2

One out when winning run scored

St. Louis	000 000 000 200 100- 3
Chicago	000 000 000 200 101- 4

E-Pendleton. DP-St. Louis 2, Chicago 3. LOB-St. Louis 15, Chicago 10. 2B-Guerrero, Hudler, SWilson. SB-Grace (11), Hudler (11). S-DeLeon, Dunston, Hudler.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
DeLeon	8	3	0	0	1	10
Dayley	1	1	0	0	0	0
LSmith	1	2	2	1	0	0
DiPino	2	1	0	0	0	0
Niedenfuer (L 0-5)	2 2-3	7	2	2	0	0
Terry	0	1	0	0	0	0
Chicago						
Harkey	9	8	0	0	7	3
Assenmacher	1-3	2	2	2	0	0
Lancaster	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
SWilson	4	3	1	1	1	5
Long (W 5-0)	1	1	0	0	0	0

HBP-by Terry (Grace). WP-Harkey. T-4:52. A-34,977.

Umpires-Home, Quick; 1b, Hohn; 2b, Rennert; 3b, Bonin.

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SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	2	1	0	1	Yelding cf	4	0	0	0
Kingery rf	4	0	2	1	Doran 2b	3	0	1	0
Litton ph-rf	1	0	1	2	Caminiti 3b	4	0	0	0
Clark 1b	5	1	2	0	GWilson rf	4	2	3	0
Mitchell lf	5	0	1	1	Biggio c	4	1	1	0
Williams 3b	5	0	2	0	Davidson lf	3	0	0	0
Kennedy c	4	0	1	0	Nichols 1b	4	0	0	1

Anderson pr	0	0	0	0	Ramirez ss	3	1	1	2
Carter c	1	1	1	0	Scott p	1	0	1	0
Thompsn 2b	5	2	2	1	Candaele ph	1	0	0	0
Uribe ss	5	1	3	1	Agosto p	0	0	0	0
TWilson p	2	1	1	0	Fisher p	0	0	0	0
Bathe ph	0	0	0	0	Rohde ph	1	0	0	0
Garrelts pr	0	1	0	0					
Thurmond p	0	0	0	1					
Totals	39	8	16	8	Totals	32	4	7	3

San Francisco 010 201 031- 8
Houston 030 001 000- 4

E-Yelding, Caminiti, Thompson, Uribe. DP-San Francisco 3. LOB-San Francisco 11, Houston 5. 2B-Doran, Uribe, GWilson, Litton. 3B-Uribe. HR-Ramirez (2), Thompson (11). SB-Williams (4), Kingery (4), Doran (15). S-Davidson, Butler. SF-Butler, Thurmond.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
TWilson (W 8-3)	7	7	4	3	1	3
Thurmond (S 4)	2	0	0	0	2	1
Houston						
Scott	7	11	4	3	2	4
Agosto (L 5-7)	2-3	2	3	3	1	0
Fisher	1 1-3	3	1	1	0	0

HBP-by Agosto (Butler). Balk-Scott. T-3:08. A-20,110.

Umpires-Home, Rippley; 1b, Darling; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, Pulli.

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MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
DeShields 2b	5	2	2	0	Backman 3b	4	1	0	0
DaMartnz cf	5	1	2	2	Bell ss	4	0	1	0
Raines lf	4	1	2	2	Cangelosi cf	4	0	2	1
Wallach 3b	3	0	1	1	Bonilla rf	4	1	1	0
Walker rf	4	0	0	0	Bonds lf	4	0	1	1
Galarrag 1b	4	1	1	0	Bream 1b	2	0	0	0
Goff c	3	0	0	0	LaValliere c	3	0	0	0
Owen ss	4	1	2	1	Lind 2b	3	0	0	0
DeMartinz p	4	0	0	0	Drabek p	2	0	1	0
					Kipper p	0	0	0	0
					Redus ph	1	0	0	0
					Ross p	0	0	0	0

Totals	36	6	10	6	Totals	31	2	6	2

Montreal 000 011 400- 6
Pittsburgh 001 000 100- 2

E-Goff. DP-Montreal 1, Pittsburgh 1. LOB-Montreal 5, Pittsburgh 3. 2B-Cangelosi, Galarraga, Raines 2, Wallach, Bonilla. 3B-DeShields. SB-Backman (5), Bonds (38).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
DeMartinez (W 8-8)	9	6	2	2	1	5
Pittsburgh						
Drabek (L 14-5)	6 2-3	10	6	6	2	5
Kipper	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	2
Ross	1	0	0	0	0	0

T-2:39. A-21,180.

Umpires-Home, Harvey; 1b, Hallion; 2b, DeMuth; 3b, Gregg.

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SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	2	1	0	1	Yelding cf	4	0	0	0
Kingery rf	4	0	2	1	Doran 2b	3	0	1	0
Litton ph-rf	1	0	1	2	Caminiti 3b	4	0	0	0
Clark 1b	5	1	2	0	GWilson rf	4	2	3	0
Mitchell lf	5	0	1	1	Biggio c	4	1	1	0
Williams 3b	5	0	2	0	Davidson lf	3	0	0	0
Kennedy c	4	0	1	0	Nichols 1b	4	0	0	1
Anderson pr	0	0	0	0	Ramirez ss	3	1	1	2
Carter c	1	1	1	0	Scott p	1	0	1	0
Thompsn 2b	5	2	2	1	Candaele ph	1	0	0	0
Uribe ss	5	1	3	1	Agosto p	0	0	0	0
TWilson p	2	1	1	0	Fisher p	0	0	0	0
Bathe ph	0	0	0	0	Rohde ph	1	0	0	0
Garrelts pr	0	1	0	0					
Thurmond p	0	0	0	1					
Totals	39	8	16	8	Totals	32	4	7	3

San Francisco 010 201 031- 8
Houston 030 001 000- 4

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San Francisco						
TWilson (W 8-3)	7	7	4	3	1	3
Thurmond (S 4)	2	0	0	0	2	1
Houston						
Scott	7	11	4	3	2	4
Agosto (L 5-7)	2-3	2	3	3	1	0
Fisher	1 1-3	3	1	1	0	0

HBP-by Agosto (Butler). Balk-Scott. T-3:08. A-20,110.

Umpires-Home, Rippley; 1b, Darling; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, Pulli.

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MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
DeShields 2b	5	2	2	0	Backman 3b	4	1	0	0
DaMartnz cf	5	1	2	2	Bell ss	4	0	1	0
Raines lf	4	1	2	2	Cangelosi cf	4	0	2	1
Wallach 3b	3	0	1	1	Bonilla rf	4	1	1	0
Walker rf	4	0	0	0	Bonds lf	4	0	1	1
Galarrag 1b	4	1	1	0	Bream 1b	2	0	0	0
Goff c	3	0	0	0	LaValliere c	3	0	0	0
Owen ss	4	1	2	1	Lind 2b	3	0	0	0
DeMartinz p	4	0	0	0	Drabek p	2	0	1	0
					Kipper p	0	0	0	0
					Redus ph	1	0	0	0
					Ross p	0	0	0	0
Totals	36	6	10	6	Totals	31	2	6	2

Montreal	000 011 400- 6
Pittsburgh	001 000 100- 2

E-Goff. DP-Montreal 1, Pittsburgh 1. LOB-Montreal 5, Pittsburgh 3. 2B-Cangelosi, Galarraga, Raines 2, Wallach, Bonilla. 3B-DeShields. SB-Backman (5), Bonds (38).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
DeMartinez (W 8-8)	9	6	2	2	1	5
Pittsburgh						
Drabek (L 14-5)	6 2-3	10	6	6	2	5

Kipper	1	1-3	0	0	0	0	2
Ross		1	0	0	0	0	0

T-2:39. A-21,180.

Umpires-Home, Harvey; 1b, Hallion; 2b, DeMuth; 3b, Gregg.

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#90221f2093 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Thursday 418.25 up 7.09.

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#90221f2094 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 9) UPI - The grain market was mostly higher Thursday in fairly active trading ahead of the August crop report. Grain and soybean futures made session highs about midday on the Chicago Board of Trade and closed just below those levels.

The exception was corn which went against the trend and was lower across the board. Widespread selling pressured corn as traders expected a high production estimate by the Agriculture Department.

Wheat was higher from the opening bell on an increase in export sales. Commercials were featured buyers on news that Algeria, Mexico and the Philippines were in the market for nearly 500,000 tons of wheat.

November soybeans rallied to $6.14 1/2 per bushel, their highest level in nearly one month. Steady export business and firm crude oil prices were supportive throughout the soybean complex.

Soybean oil and meal turned higher as buying interest picked up. Basis levels were steady to firm.

At the close, corn was unchanged to down 2, soybeans up 6 to off 1/2, wheat up 3 1/2 to 5 3/4 and oats up 2 1/4 to 3.

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#90221f2096 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Prices were sharply higher at the close of the New York Stock Exchange in moderate trading Thursday as investors reacted

favorably to news from the Mideast and to a strong bond market.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 24.26 Wednesday, closed up another 24.01 to 2758.91.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.84 to 186.24 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 1.59 to 339.94. The price of an average NYSE share gained 14 cents.

Advances led declines 834-675 among the 1,996 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 155,810,000 shares, compared with 190,400,000 shares traded Wednesday.

Analysts said prices were bolstered by news that a Pentagon spokesman described Iraqi troops in Kuwait as seeming to be "in a defensive posture." "This morning, we see the Iraqi military consolidating its forces in Kuwait. It would seem to us that they are working to hold on to what they've acquired," spokesman Pete Williams said.

Meanwhile, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said: "We're very satisfied with the events in the past 24 hours," referring to the biggest U.S. military operation since the Vietnam War and to a U.N-ordered embargo against Iraq.

Also boosting stocks, analysts said, was stronger-than-expected demand for 30-year bonds in the final leg of the Treasury's quarterly refunding. Yields jumped on 30-year Treasury bonds Thursday to an average of 8.87 percent - the highest level in more than a year.

But analysts were generally pleased after anemic bidding on three- and ten-year Treasury notes earlier in the week that they blamed mainly on investor concern over the Iraq crisis and a souring of the U.S. economy.

"It went well," said Robert Dederick, chief economist at Northern Trust in Chicago. "The market had this horrible showing (Wednesday) and you had a lot of people taking cautious stands." Treasury bonds were up 7/8 point in late trading.

"I think the market took comfort in what the bond market did," said Sid Dorr, vice president of institutional equity trading at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco.

Dorr said the market was basically trying to settle in after some crazy days. "It's just good news that (more) shots haven't been fired in the Mideast, because when we came in here Friday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, that seemed like a lot less of a certainty," he said.

On the trading floor, Wal-Mart was the most active issue, up 3/8 to 30

5/8. The retail giant reported an eight percent increase in comparable-store sales for July, healthy compared to others in the industry but below its usual performance. The company also reported a 25 percent jump in second-quarter earnings.

Glaxo Holdings followed, down 1 5/8 to 28 3/4. United Telecommunications was third, up one to 25 3/8.

Texaco was also active, up 1/8 to 62 7/8. Oil issues were mixed with crude oil futures closing higher in New York trading.

Among other blue chips, AT&T rose 1/8 at 35 1/8, IBM was up 1/8 to 103 1/4, Eastman Kodak advanced 7/8 to 42 and Philip Morris was up 7/8 to 46 1/2.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 188,042,280 shares, down from 237,911,350 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices closed higher in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index rose 1.46 to 341.49. Advances led declines 309-246 among the 803 issues traded. The price of an average share rose five cents. Composite volume totaled 16,478,900 shares, compared with 17,852,200 shares traded Wednesday.

Continental Air led the Amex issues, surging 1 3/4 to 6 1/4 after the company said Frank Lorenzo would sell most of his investment in the company and step down as chairman and chief executive in efforts to bolster Continental.

The controversial Lorenzo was frequently portrayed as a villain by labor unions and built his company through acquiring several airlines, including Eastern, in the 1980s.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index jumped 5.25 to 412.98.

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#90221h0054 08/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 9) XINHUA - INDIAN EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER INDER KUMAR GUJRAL CATEGORICALLY STATED ON WEDNESDAY THAT THERE IS NO PROPOSAL TO TAKE REFUGEES FROM SRI LANKA.

ANSWERING SUPPLEMENTARIES DURING QUESTION HOUR IN THE RAJYA SABHA (UPPER HOUSE), GUJRAL SAID THAT NEW DELHI WAS HOPEFUL THAT REFUGEE CAMPS WOULD BE SET UP IN SRI LANKA FOR THE 400,000 DISPLACED PERSONS THERE.

INDIA IS IN TOUCH WITH THE UNITED NATIONS, AND INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES HAVE

OFFERED TO PROVIDE HELP IN THE SETTING UP OF THE REFUGEE CAMPS IN SRI LANKA, HE SAID.

HE SAID THAT EVEN BEFORE THE INDIAN PEACE-KEEPING FORCE WITHDREW FROM SRI LANKA (IN MARCH THIS YEAR), THERE WERE 90,000 (SRI LANKAN) REFUGEES IN INDIA AND THE NUMBER HAD NOW GONE UP BY ANOTHER 60,000.

GUJRAL REJECTED A PLEA BY SOME MEMBERS OF THE UPPER HOUSE FOR PROVIDING PROTECTION TO REFUGEES FLEEING THE ISLAND NATION AS THEY SAID THE SRI LANKAN NAVY WAS PREVENTING THEM FROM COMING TO INDIA.

IT WOULD BE ERRONEOUS TO PROVIDE PASSAGE SECURITY AS THEN THE "WHOLE SRI LANKA WILL COME TO INDIA," GUJRAL SAID.

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PARIS (AUG. 9) XINHUA - FRENCH DOCTORS HAVE SUCCEEDED IN TRANSPLANTING HEART, LUNGS AND LIVER SIMULTANEOUSLY FOR A 16-YEAR-OLD GIRL, LOCAL NEWSPAPERS REPORTED.

ACCORDING TO A RECENT COMMUNIQUE FROM A HOSPITAL IN PARIS, THE GIRL WITH THE THREE NEW APPARATUSES HAS LEFT HOSPITAL AND IS IN A GOOD CONDITION.

THE OPERATION WAS PERFORMED AT THE END OF JUNE. DOCTORS TRANSPLANTED ONTO THE GIRL THE HEART, LUNGS AND LIVER FROM A YOUNG FEMALE WHO DIED IN AN ACCIDENT. THE GIRL'S LIVER AND LUNGS WERE HURT BY A KIND OF PANCREAS DISEASE.

THE GIRL'S HEART IS IN A GOOD CONDITION, BUT FOR SOME TECHNICAL REASONS OF THE OPERATION, SHE HAD TO HAVE HER HEART TRANSPLANTED AT THE SAME TIME.

HER OWN HEART WAS TRANSPLANTED TO ANOTHER YOUNG PATIENT WHO SUFFERED FROM A HEART DISEASE.

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MANILA (AUG. 9) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINES WOULD FIND ALTERNATIVE JOBS IN SAFE AREAS IN THE MIDDLE EAST FOR FILIPINOS WHO WOULD BE DISPLACED BY THE IRAQ-KUWAIT CRISIS, THE PHILIPPINE OVERSEAS EMPLOYMENT ADMINISTRATION (POEA) SAID TODAY.

"WE WILL HELP THEM RELOCATE IN SAFE AREAS WHERE THEY CAN FIND OTHER JOBS. THOSE WHO WOULD NOT LAND IN OTHER JOBS WILL BE BROUGHT HOME," SARMIENTO ADDED AFTER ATTENDING A HEARING OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE FORMED TO STUDY IMPLICATIONS ON THE PHILIPPINES OF THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT.

ACCORDING TO HIM, THE PHILIPPINE LABOR DEPARTMENT WOULD MEET WITH THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF RIYADH AND JEDDAH TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF EMPLOYMENT ABSORPTION OF THE FILIPINO WORKERS BY SAUDI EMPLOYERS IN THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN REGIONS OF SAUDI ARABIA.

A COMMAND CONFERENCE IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN RIYADH ON FRIDAY TO BE ATTENDED BY PHILIPPINE AMBASSADORS TO SAUDI ARABIA, KUWAIT AND IRAQ AND LABOR OFFICERS IN THE MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES TO ASSESS THE MIDDLE EAST SITUATION AND TO DEVELOP EMPLOYMENT ALTERNATIVE FOR FILIPINOS.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT FIGURES PLACE THE NUMBER OF FILIPINO WORKERS IN KUWAIT AT AROUND 40,000 WHILE THOSE IN IRAQ AT AROUND 5,000.

SENATOR ERNESTO HEERERA, SENATE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, SAID NEARLY HALF A MILLION FILIPINOS WORKING IN THE MIDDLE EAST CONTRIBUTE ABOUT 1.3 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS TO THE PHILIPPINE ECONOMY EVERY YEAR THROUGH OFFICIAL REMITTANCES.

INCLUDING REMITTANCES THROUGH UNOFFICIAL CHANNELS, HEERERA SAID, THE WORKERS ARE CONTRIBUTING AROUND TWO BILLION TO THREE BILLION U.S. DOLLARS EVERY YEAR TO THE ECONOMY.

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ATHENS (AUG. 9) XINHUA - IRAQ TODAY REVOKED GREECE'S MOST FAVORED NATION TRADING STATUS.

IT WAS CONSIDERED HERE AS AN IRAQI REPRISAL FOR GREECE'S PERMISSION TO ALLOW U.S. MILITARY AIRCRAFT TO FLY OVER THE COUNTRY'S AIRSPACE TO THE GULF REGION AND FOR GREECE'S PARTICIPATION IN THE U.N. AND EEC TRADE EMBARGOES ON BAGHDAD.

ABDEL FETAH AL KHEZREJI, IRAQI AMBASSADOR IN ATHENS, TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE THAT THE POSITION TAKEN BY THE GREEK GOVERNMENT COULD ONLY "BE DAMAGING TO GREECE'S CURRENT AND FUTURE INTERESTS."

AS A RESULT OF ITS POSITION, THE AMBASSADOR SAID, GREECE IS LOSING ITS MOST FAVOURED NATION STATUS AND RETURNS TO THE "NATURAL RELATIONS THAT IRAQ MAINTAINS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES."

"THE ONGOING EFFORTS TO IMPOSE SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQI AND KUWAITI ASSETS AND TRADE, WHILE FUTILE AND MUTUALLY DAMAGING, CAN ONLY EXACERBATE AND COMPLICATE THE SITUATION," HE SAID.

HE SAID THE SANCTIONS WOULD IN THE LONG RUN BE DAMAGING TO THE VERY COUNTRIES IMPOSING THEM.

REPLYING TO QUESTIONS, THE IRAQI ENVOY SAID THAT HIS COUNTRY HAD NO NUCLEAR ARMS, BUT CHEMICAL WEAPONS, WHICH IT WOULD USE ONLY AS A MEANS OF DEFENSE.

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#90221h0157 08/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HARARE (AUG. 9) XINHUA - ZIMBABWEAN FOREIGN MINISTER NATHAN SHAMUYARIRA HAS SAID THAT HIS COUNTRY IS ENCOURAGED BY THE DECISIONS THAT ARE BEING TAKEN AT THE PEACE TALKS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE ZIMBABWE INTER-AFRICA NEWS AGENCY ON WEDNESDAY, SHAMUYARIRA ALSO SAID THAT "THE PROCESS OF NEGO- TIATIONS GOING ON AT THE MOMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA APPEARS TO BE MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION."

AT THE END OF THE SECOND ROUND OF PEACE TALKS ON MONDAY, THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC) ANNOUNCED A LANDMARK DECISION TO SUSPEND ITS ARMED STRUGGLE AGAINST THE MINORITY WHITE RULE IN SOUTH AFRICA. AT THE SAME TIME, PRETORIA AGREED TO RELEASE REMAINING POLITICAL PRISONERS AND FACILITATE THE RETURN OF POLITICAL EXILES.

HOWEVER, THE ZIMBABWEAN OFFICIAL STRESSED THAT AS FAR AS THE DISMANTLING OF APARTHEID IS CONCERNED, NOTHING HAS HAPPENED YET TO CHANGE THE EVIL SYSTEM.

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HARARE (AUG. 9) XINHUA - ZIMBABWEAN VICE-PRESIDENT JOSHUA NKOMO TODAY CALLED FOR REMOVING TRADE BARRIERS BETWEEN AFRICAN COUNTRIES.

OPENING THE PREFERENTIAL TRADE AREA (PTA) FINANCE MINISTERS' MEETING HERE, NKOMO SAID THAT AFRICA'S CALL FOR DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TO REMOVE TRADE BARRIERS WOULD MAKE SENSE ONLY IF THERE WERE NO TRADE RESTRICTIONS WITHIN AFRICA ITSELF.

SOME SHORT-TERM BENEFITS CAN BE ATTAINED BY KEEPING THESE TRADE BARRIERS IN PLACE BUT THE CURRENT TREND IN THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS DEMANDS "OPENING UP OUR ECONOMIES BETWEEN OURSELVES", HE SAID.

AFRICA SHOULD FOREGO SOME SHORT-TERM BENEFITS, SAID NKOMO, ADDING THAT "IT REQUIRES VISION, DETERMINATION, PERSEVERANCE AND EVEN SACRIFICE."

THE VICE-PRESIDENT NOTED THAT THE CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA AND THE INDEPENDENCE OF NAMIBIA SHOULD BRING PEACE IN THE SUB-REGION AND RESULT IN THE RE-DEPLOYMENT OF RESOURCES TOWARDS ECONOMIC PROGRESS.

HE STRESSED THAT POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC LIBERATION IN AFRICA AND IN THE

REGION IN PARTICULAR WOULD REMAIN INCOMPLETE AND PERILOUS AS LONG AS SOUTH AFRICA IS NOT FREE AND DEMOCRATIC.

THEREFORE, NKOMO URGED UNITY AND SOLIDARITY WITH THE SOUTH AFRICAN PEOPLE IN THEIR STRUGGLE AGAINST APARTHEID.

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#90221h0161 08/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

YANGON (AUGUST 9) XINHUA - HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE INCLUDING MONKS, YOUTH AND STUDENTS HELD DEMONSTRATIONS IN PAKOKKU, MONGWA AND MEIKTILA TOWNSHIPS ON WEDNESDAY, ACCORDING TO THE VOICE OF MYANMAR TONIGHT.

IN MONGWA OF SAGAING DIVISION, ABOUT 300 PEOPLE INCLUDING MONKS AND STUDENTS DEMONSTRATED ON WEDNESDAY MORNING. THEY CLASHED WITH SECURITY FORCES WHEN THEY IGNORED THE ORDER TO DISPERSE. THE SECURITY MEN FIRED INTO AIR AND DISPERSED THEM.

IN MEIKTILA TOWNSHIP OF MANDALAY DIVISION, SOME 300 YOUTH MARCHED IN THE STREETS AND SHOUTED SLOGANS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. LATER, THEY LEFT WHEN SECURITY FORCES ARRIVED.

SIMILAR DEMONSTRATIONS ALSO TOOK PLACE IN PAKOKKU OF MAGWE DIVISION YESTERDAY, WHERE ABOUT 50 YOUTHS WENT TO STREETS AND CHANTED SLOGANS.

ON WEDNESDAY DEMONSTRATIONS ALSO OCCURRED IN YANGON AND MANDALAY. ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL REPORT, THREE SECURITY MEMBERS AND ONE MONK WERE INJURED IN CLASHES IN MANDALAY.

IN THE GENERAL ELECTION HELD ON MAY 27, THE NATIONAL LEAGUE FOR DEMOCRACY (NLD) WON A LANDSLIDE VICTORY. SINCE THEN, THE PEOPLE HAVE DEMANDED THAT THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT HAND OVER THE POWER QUICKLY TO THE ELECTED PARTY AND RELEASE NLD'S GENERAL SECRETARY DAW AUNG SAN SUU KYI, WHO HAS BEEN UNDER HOUSE ARREST FOR OVER A YEAR.

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#90221h0170 08/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TEHRAN (AUG. 9) XINHUA - AN IRANIAN SCIENTIST HAS FOUND A MELON VIRUS, LOCAL DAILY "KAYHAN" REPORTED TODAY.

ENGINEER RAHIM PARVIZI FROM THE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH CENTRE OF WEST AZERBAIJAN PROVINCE FOUND THE MELON VIRUS AFTER A LONG TIME OF RESEARCH TOGETHER WITH AN UNIDENTIFIED ITALIAN VIRUS SCIENTIST AND REGISTERED IT IN INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES, THE DAILY SAID.

THE VIRUS, NAMED "OURUMIE MELON VIRUS", USUALLY ATTACKS KITCHEN- GARDEN PLANTS LIKE WATERMELON, MELONS, CUCUMBER AND SO ON. THE PLANTS WOULD DRY

AND THEN DIE SOON AFTER THEY WERE INFECTED WITH THE VIRUS.

THE SCIENTIST IS STILL STUDYING THE VECTOR OF THE VIRUS.

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Nightline (ABC) (Transcript #2403) August 8, 1990

The How-To's of Fighting Iraq.: In the event of an Iraqi attack upon Saudi Arabia, what tactics would Saddam Hussein use, and what would the U.S. forces bring to bear to defend themselves and the Saudis?

South Africa Now (PBS) (Transcript & Videotape #22) August 8, 1990

South African police are caught red-handed in a deceptive tale of a Communist takeover plot; the African National Congress and the South African government held the first round of their talks; the political alliance between the Communist Party and the ANC is not well understood overseas; a plot to overthrow the government of Namibia; Mozambiquan refugees continue to flood neighboring Zimbabwe; goverment commission in South Africa is still investigating allegations of the existence of government-backed terror squads; the work of Peter Magubane, a prize winning photojournalist.

Larry King Live (CNN) (Transcript #103) August 8, 1990

Sen. Dole, Cohen & Kerry on Mideast/ Couple Escapes: Senator Bob Dole (R-Minority Leader) discusses his letter to CEO's of large oil companies to hold of raising prices, his visit with Saddam Hussein last April, and ore world community participation. Benny & Margie Whitaker discuss their escape from Kuwait last Friday, and speak with Joan McCurdy, who has not heard from her daughter and son-in-law in Kuwait. Senators William Cohen (R-ME) and Sen. John Kerry (D-MA) discuss the President's recent decision in the Gulf crisis.

Crossfire (CNN) (Transcript ##113) August 8, 1990

Showdown in the Gulf: A critique of the U.S. response to Iraq's invasion

of Kuwait with retired Adm. Gene La Rocque (Director, Center for Defense Information), Iraqi-American businessman Faisal Arabo and Mideast analyst Chefir Bassiouni.

Moneyline (CNN) (Transcript #157) August 8, 1990

Bush says Hussein will soon feel the bite of economic sanctions, tells oil companies to show restraint; demand increased for stocks as investors picked over bargains in the blue chips; rising concern that a Gulf war could spark a worldwide recession; tracking weapons dollars from the two superpowers to the Middle East; Tokyo rebounds; Charles Schwab (Discount Brokerage) discusses investor survival; Myron Kandel with commentary on gasoline prices.

Oprah Winfrey (Transcript #1018) August 8, 1990

How to Raise a Moral Child in the '90s: A panel of mothers who have thrown in the towel and are looking for advice on what to do with their rebellious children express their concern. Psychologist Michael Schulman (Bringing Up a Moral Child) and parental consultant Barbara Cottman Becnel (Co-Dependent Parent) advise parents.

Donahue (Transcript #3007) August 8, 1990

Meryl Streep & Pesticide Dangers for Our Kids (R-#2635): It is estimated that several thousand pre-school children will get cancer in their lifetime as a result of exposure to pesticides in their food. Actress Meryl Streep joins Robin Whyatt, senior project scientist, Natural Ressources Defense Council (NRDC); Janet Hathaway, senior lobbyist (NRDC); and Dr. Stephen Markowitz. They tell what we, as consumers, can do to protect our children and ourselves, and how we can urge our government to ensure that our food supply is safe.

Sally Jessy Raphael (Transcript #503) August 8, 1990

I Can't Afford My Kids: Parents of large families talk about the difficulties of supporting their families. One man works two full-time jobs while his wife works one, yet they are still having trouble making ends meet. Other guests express concerns about overpopulation and giving each child the love he or she deserves.

Geraldo (Transcript #755) August 8, 1990

Killer Cops: Author Mike McAlary (Cop Shot), family members of victims of police shootings, and several policemen discuss police shootings -- are they purely self-defense?

Good Morning America (ABC) (Transcript #1083) August 8, 1990

U.S. forces to the Persian Gulf; advisability of U.S. military action; James Fail: man under fire (Bluebonnet Savings & Loan); actor Kevin Bacon; health news for women; world's fastest talkers; Pike's Peak or Bust Rodeo; actor Harvey Keitel.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) (Transcript #143) August 8, 1990

U.S. Troops Land in Saudi Arabia: U.S. warships, planes and troops stand ready in and around Saudi Arabia as Iraq announces it has officially merged with Kuwait. President Bush says we are not at war, but Secretary of State James Baker is asking for help from Iran and Syria to help fight off the Iraqi invasion of the Persian Gulf.

Thursday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: What Gets On TV? Sally Jessy Raphael: Wedding Day Disasters Geraldo: Cheaper by the Dozen Oprah Winfrey: Gay Adoptions

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#90221k0091 08/09/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SEOUL (AUG. 9) KYODO - NORTH KOREA REFUSED THURSDAY TO ACCEPT A LIST OF SOUTH KOREANS WHO WISH TO CROSS THE HEAVILY ARMED BORDER NEXT WEEK FOR THE FIRST TIME, SOUTH KOREAN OFFICIALS SAID.

THE NORTH KOREAN REFUSAL APPEARED TO CRUSH THE SLIM REMAINING HOPE OF REALIZING SOUTH KOREAN PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO'S PROPOSAL FOR A PERIOD OF FREE TRAVEL BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, OBSERVERS SAID.

ON JANUARY 20, ROH ANNOUNCED THAT SOUTH KOREA WOULD OPEN ITS TIGHTLY SEALED BORDER WITH NORTH KOREA FOR FIVE DAYS FROM MONDAY FOR FREE TRAVEL BY RESIDENTS FROM BOTH SIDES. ROH ALSO CALLED ON PYONGYANG TO ALLOW SOUTH KOREANS TO FREELY VISIT NORTH KOREA THROUGH THE TRUCE VILLAGE OF PANMUNJOM.

A TOTAL OF SOME 61,000 SOUTH KOREANS HAVE APPLIED TO THE SEOUL GOVERNMENT TO TRAVEL ACROSS THE BORDER, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS.

IN A TELEPHONE MESSAGE TO SOUTH KOREAN PRIME MINISTER KANG YOUNG HOON, NORTH KOREAN PRIME MINISTER YON HYONG MUK DISMISSED A SOUTH KOREAN DEMAND FOR A LIST OF THE NAMES OF SOUTH KOREANS HOPING TO VISIT NORTH KOREA.

IN RESPONSE TO THE YON'S MESSAGE, KANG SAID THAT SOUTH KOREA WILL SEND TWO OFFICIALS TO PANMUNJOM ON FRIDAY TO SUBMIT THE LIST OF NAMES TO THE NORTH

KOREAN SIDE, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

YON HAD ALSO CALLED ON SEOUL TO REPEAL THE SOUTH KOREA'S SECURITY LAWS AND TO GIVE FORMAL APPROVAL FOR TWO LARGE SOUTH KOREAN DISSIDENT GROUPS TO ATTEND A RALLY SCHEDULED IN PANMUNJOM NEXT WEDNESDAY, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

IN ADDITION HE DEMANDED THAT THE SOUTH KOREAN GOVERNMENT ALLOW A NORTH KOREAN TEAM TO MEET IM SU KYONG, A COLLEGE STUDENT SENTENCED TO A 10-YEAR PRISON TERM BY A SEOUL COURT IN EARLY FEBRUARY FOR HER ILLEGAL VISIT TO NORTH KOREA.

IM MADE AN UNAUTHORIZED VISIT TO PYONGYANG IN LATE JUNE LAST YEAR TO TAKE PART IN A WORLD YOUTH FESTIVAL HELD IN THE NORTH KOREAN CAPITAL AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF A SOUTH KOREAN STUDENT ORGANIZATION. ON RETURNING TO SOUTH KOREA THROUGH PANMUNJOM ON AUGUST 15 SHE WAS ARRESTED BY SOUTH KOREAN AUTHORITIES FOR VIOLATING SECURITY LAWS.

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#90221m0001 08/09/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 9) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

U.S. stocks are flat in slow London trading ... The Nikkei continued its roller coaster ride, closing down 893.41 on arbitrage activity. named a new president and three vice-chairmen, and has adjusted its management committee, but says the move will not alter its strategy.

A "USA Today" poll shows more than 80% of U.S. residents support PRESIDENT BUSH's decision to send troops to the Middle East. ... PHILLIPS PETROLEUM cuts its wholesale gasoline prices and ATLANTIC RICHFIELD says it will freeze prices for at least a week.

GENERAL MOTORS is hit by a strike of 3,200 employees at its plant in Flint, Mich., that makes doors, grilles and gasoline tanks.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

OTS Director TIMOTHY RYAN will announce major enforcement action involving a failed S&L at 11 a.m. EDT. ... MICHAEL BOSKIN, Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, will speak on the S&L bailout before Citizens for a Sound Economy at Noon EDT. ... UAL CORP. agrees to give UNITED AIRLINES' unions until Oct. 9 to raise the $4.4 billion needed to buy the company.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I can't think of a reason not to buy stocks," says ROGER ENGEMANN, head of a Pasadena, Calif. investment firm that bears his name. "I welcome a recession as an investment manager. It will bring interest rates down." He says growth issues like PHILIP MORRIS and ELI LILLY are cheap and investors should buy. (WSJ, 8/9)

"When you fall 300 points in a straight line, you're going to rise," says LAWRENCE WACHTEL of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. "The laws of physics suggest that." He also says the relative "calm in the Persian Gulf area" will help the market rise. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/8)

FROM THE BEARS:

THOMAS BASSO of TRENDSTAT CAPITAL MANAGEMENT thinks yesterday's "rally lacked conviction." He says the gain was negligible given the recent fall, and counsels investors not to get too excited about a new rally. "The market is entitled to retrace even more," says Basso. ("Investor's Daily", 8/9)

The stock market's 25-point rebound is hardly impressive given the $2 plunge in oil, says bearish strategist RICHARD HOEY, chief U.S. economist at BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD. "There are three Bs for the bears: Baghdad, budget and banking system," says Hoey.

He believes escalating oil prices will raise mortgage rates, which will be a sharp blow to consumer confidence. Without consumer spending, economic growth will slow, giving U.S. budget negotiators a thorny dilemma: too many spending cuts will push the economy into a deeper recession; too few will cause long-term bond rates to shoot higher as the government finances a widening deficit.

Hoey also predicts that as the economy softens, creditors will cut back further on loans and other sources of funding that many businesses need. He is advising investors to sell stocks and raise cash." (WSJ, 8/9)

"You don't bottom fish in shark-infested waters," advises TED PECK, a broker at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. He says it is no time to bet big on stocks and has slashed some of his clients' stock exposure to 40%. Noting the external forces playing on the stock market these days, he sighs and says, "This is in the laps of the gods." (WSJ, 8/9)

STOCK MARKET:

JOHN GRAY, associate editor of "Investor's Intelligence" says the recent fall in stock prices is only a correction and will reverse itself fairly soon, but not immediately. "It's probably too early to be buying," says Gray. "The market may need another week or two to settle down." He says

his major support levels, specifically one at 2600, are still intact. ("Investor's Daily", 8/9)

"We were down 300 points," says BRAD WEEKES of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE. "We were due for a rally." ("USA Today", 8/9)

"Confidence is a big factor in the stock market," says PETER GRENNAN, a senior vice president at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS INC. "It gives the market resiliency, which was evident [Wednesday]. So far the President's firm handling of the situation has been good for the market." (NYT, 8/9)

"The market essentially drew some strength from PRESIDENT BUSH's speech today," says GRUNTAL & CO.'s ALAN ACKERMAN. "The reaction overall has been subdued and easy." Ackerman thinks stocks are in a tenuous and difficult position, but still fairly stable. He says, "The market took the President's remarks in stride, and, frankly, is still cautious and very, very tentative." (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/8)

If the Iraqi invasion had not happened, "our markets would have been going down anyway," says MARK HOWARD, co-owner of JRO ASSOCIATES, a New York investment partnership. "This just speeded up the process. Recession is sort of becoming obvious to everybody." (WSJ, 8/9)

"We can live with rhetoric, but not poison gas bombs," says MICHAEL METZ, analyst at OPPENHEIMER & CO. "The market is sensing that there's not going to be an imminent invasion of Saudi Arabia by [Iraq].

The feeling is he may back down one way or another and that we're not going to see Armageddon in the Middle East." Metz believes that after the plunge in stocks last week, most selling pressure seems to have been washed out of the market. "Bargain hunters are coming in, but tentatively, and there seems to be a bias to buy at this juncture." (UPI, 8/8)

"Right now the market is hungry for any kind of glad tidings out there and it's getting a few tidbits today," says EUGENE PERONI JR., analyst at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT. The decision by PRESIDENT BUSH to send troops to the Middle East is viewed as a stabilizing factor. (Reuters, 8/8)

STOCK TIPS:

"I think the market will fall or rise on the events as they unfold in the Middle East," says GEORGE ZIMMERMAN, director of research at GRUNTAL & CO. He says the oils are overvalued and are not the only stocks that should do well. Zimmerman mentions SMITH-KLINE BEECHAM, GLAXO, BOEING, GTE and AT&T as issues that are "critical buys at this point." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/8)

Bull markets go down with full elevators, says a bearish CHARLES ALLMON,

newsletter publisher and president of GROWTH STOCK OUTLOOK TRUST. "We're getting - right now - in our managed accounts, the same feedback we got in 1987."

Allmon says his clients tell him: "We pay you to manage our money. You're sitting on all this cash. We want some action." Among the stocks the very conservative Allmon does like: NESTLE ADR, CLOROX, HERSHEY FOODS, BRISTOL-MYERS, TSI INC. and PROGRAMMING & SYSTEMS. (CNBC "Smart Money", 8/8)

WOOLWORTH stock rose 1 1/2 to 28 7/8 yesterday even though the company reported only a slim increase in second-quarter profits. Analysts say investors had already bid the price down in anticipation of weak earnings, setting up an opportunity for bargain hunters. "It's a relatively recession-resilient stock," says DONALD TROTT of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. ("USA Today", 8/9)

DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE analyst SCOTT SMITH upgraded his investment opinion on MICROSOFT to a buy from moderately attractive. He expects the company's new products and global marketing strategy will contribute to a 30% growth rate in fiscal 1992 and 1993, even if the U.S. economy enters a mild recession. CHARLES WOLF of FIRST BOSTON also raised his rating of Microsoft to a buy from a hold. The stock rebounded 2 1/4 yesterday to end at 63 1/2. (WSJ, 8/9)

"USA Today" casts its "Company Spotlight" on MEDCO RESEARCH this morning, cautioning that the pharmaceutical development stock "does as much bouncing on rumor as on reality."

The report says Medco is a "favorite target of Wall Street's short sellers." One is ROBERT DHOTI of DHOTI PARTNERS, who says the stock is likely to fall to five a share from 11 1/4 yesterday. But the stock also has its bulls, including analyst JOHN POETIZER of ROTA MOSLEM. ("USA Today", 8/9)

In the last few days bank stocks have fallen less than the market "as investors recognized the defensive characteristics of banks, such as their dividend yield," says THOMAS HANLEY, managing director at SALOMON BROTHERS.

If the threat of recession from higher oil prices causes the Federal Reserve to reduce short-term interest rates, as many economists expect, Hanley says, "We could have a trading rally in the bank group over the short term." But over the next several quarters, the risk of loss from bad loans is great enough to remain cautious on the outlook for bank stocks.

W. ANTHONY HITCHLER, chief investment officer at BRANDYWINE ASSET MANAGEMENT says bank stocks are so low that "a couple of years from now you could look back at this as an incredible opportunity. But for now, the

psychology for bank stocks is as bad for an industry as I have ever seen." (NYT, 9/8)

If the Iraqis back off their threats to Saudi Arabia and make some concessions in Kuwait, the market would be poised for a technical snapback of five to seven percent, says PETER DAPUZZO, co-director of worldwide equities trading at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS.

Dapuzzo would focus on growth companies with double digit earnings forecasts and companies with export businesses which will benefit from the weaker dollar. Also, he still likes the oil stocks. He looks for slowing consumer spending and weakness in the consumer stocks. (FNN "World Business Update", 8/9)

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - An increasing number of human resource executives view investment in technology as one solution to the impending labor crisis.

This expansion in technology is suggested by surveys conducted in 1990 and 1989 by Right Associates(R), a career management consulting firm.

In 1989 human resource executives were asked if a labor crisis would lead to increased investment in technology to replace people. Ten percent answered yes. Replying to the same question in 1990, 33 percent responded affirmatively.

Right Associates is headquartered in Philadelphia and has more than 65 offices across the United States and around the world. It is one of the world's leading organizations specializing in outplacement counseling of executives and managers. Outplacement consulting services are designed to assist employers with termination issues, and, to help the separated employees develop skills and strategies to find new employment.

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#90221p3601 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWALK, CONN. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Wanted: 129 billion pennies to end hunger. Pennies are a problem. All but worthless individually, they remain a necessary part of our modern, taxed and taxing world. According to the U.S. Mint, over 129 billion of them are in circulation nationwide, but the surprising fact is that an equal number -- nearly $1.3 billion worth -- are out of circulation in America's collective closet.

Now a New York area marketing company, Omnimark Inc., is using the problem of pennies to help solve a much bigger task -- bringing about an end to hunger -- with a campaign called "End Hunger a Penny at a Time."

Created in partnership with The Hunger Project, an international not-for-profit organization committed to ending chronic hunger by the end of the century, the campaign gives millions of Americans a simple way to make a difference by doing something good for the world and themselves in a simple way. It starts with taking the hassle out of getting rid of our excess pennies.

Omnimark is inviting banks and credit card companies to cooperate in making it as easy as possible for people to contribute their pennies -- frequently without advance counting or rolling. Individuals can simply drop them off with participating institutions where they are weighed and then automatically sent as donations to support The Hunger Project's worldwide efforts.

Consumer product brands, insurance companies, retail organizations and others are being invited to tie-in, too. A variety of promotional events are planned, including the distribution of personal penny containers carrying sponsor logos. Also planned are themed FSI's, retail events and a national PSA-based media campaign featuring celebrities and luminary citizens.

"The key to this campaign is that everybody wins," states Michael Hartel, Omnimark's president. "The consumer has an easy way to make a difference on an important national and global problem, and at the same time get rid of troublesome pennies. Sponsoring companies increase product sales and traffic, and enhance their image. And our client, The Hunger Project, receives the visibility and funding it needs to fulfill its mission."

Individuals and companies interested in more information or in becoming part of the "End Hunger a Penny at a Time" campaign are invited to contact Michael Hartel at Omnimark, Incorporated, 40 Richards Avenue, Suite 500, Norwalk, Conn., 06854 or call 203-855-3077.

CONTACT: Michael Hartel of Omnimark, 203-855-3077, or evenings, 203-226-1346

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#90221p3616 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Sara Lee Corporation (NYSE: SLE) achieved record earnings for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Net income for the year rose 14.6 percent to $470.3 million from $410.5 million reported in 1989. Primary earnings per share increased 9.1

percent to $1.91 from $1.75 a year ago. Net sales for the year decreased 1.0 percent to $11.6 billion from $11.7 billion in fiscal 1989, due to the disposition of a portion of Sara Lee's foodservice business at the beginning of fiscal 1990.

Reported earnings per share for fiscal 1989 included a net benefit of $.05 which occurred in the second quarter as a result of the gain on the sale of certain businesses, net of restructuring charges. Excluding the non-recurring gain, net income for fiscal 1990 increased 17.8 percent and primary earnings per share grew 12.4 percent. Excluding the effects of all acquisitions and divestments, sales for the year increased approximately 8 percent.

For the fourth quarter, net income rose 15.3 percent to $118.4 million from $102.7 million a year ago. Primary earnings per share increased 11.6 percent to $.48 from $.43 in 1989. Net sales were $3.0 billion, down 3.3 percent from $3.1 billion a year ago. Excluding the effects of all acquisitions and divestments, sales for the quarter increased approximately 8 percent.

"Sara Lee Corporation completed its 13th consecutive year of record earnings," said John H. Bryan, chairman and chief executive officer. "Higher margins in our coffee and grocery operations combined with continued strong profit and volume growth in our personal products businesses more than offset the lower earnings in our packaged meats and bakery line of business."

CONTACT: Anne M. McCarthy, 312-558-8727 (media), or Janet E. Bergman, 312-558-8651 (analysts), both of Sara Lee

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#90221p3617 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Dionex Corp. (NASDAQ: DNEX) today announced the promotion of Dr. Richard Morris to vice president of International Operations. Morris is a 15-year veteran of Dionex. Commenting on this promotion, A. Blaine Bowman, Dionex president and chief executive officer, said, "Dr. Morris has been key to the success of our international operations, which now represent approximately half of our worldwide sales. This promotion recognizes not only his contributions over the past 15 years, but also the increasing importance of international markets to our continued growth." In his role of vice president, Morris will continue to manage all of the Dionex business outside of North America. This includes subsidiaries in Germany, France, the United Kingdom, Holland, Italy and Japan and a network of distributors and representatives serving more than 25 countries around the world.

Bowman also announced the appointment of Dr. Nebojsa Avdalovic as vice

president, Research & Development. Avdalovic will manage all research and polymer chemistry functions for Dionex. Avdalovic was most recently associated with the Spinco Division of Beckman Instruments. He obtained his M.D. degree and a Ph.D. in biochemistry at the University of Zagreb, Yugoslavia. "Dr. Avdalovic brings extensive research and technology experience to keep Dionex on the leading edge in the separations industry " said Bowman.

Dionex is a leading manufacturer and marketer of chromatography systems for chemical analysis. The company's systems are used in environmental analysis and by the chemicals, petrochemicals, life sciences, power generation and electronics industries in a wide variety of applications.

CONTACT: Eric J. Keller of Dionex, 408-737-0700

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#90221p3618 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - GTI Corp. (AMEX: GTI) announced today that a special meeting of its stockholders will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 28 at 10 a.m. at its corporate office in San Diego to approve the sale of 2.5 million shares of GTI's common stock to Telemetrix plc for $7.5 million in cash. The sale proceeds will provide a portion of the funds required by GTI in connection with its previously announced proposed acquisition of approximately 91 percent of the capital stock of Valor Electronics Inc., for $18,457,272, consisting of $16,625,272 in cash and a promissory note for the remainder. The closing of the acquisition is expected to take place shortly after the stockholder meeting.

San Diego-based Valor Electronics develops, manufactures and distributes a variety of electronic component parts and subsystems. It operates manufacturing facilities in the People's Republic of China and Hong Kong. Gary L. Luick, president of GTI, stated that, "Valor Electronics' position in the electronics market complements GTI's position well by providing more technologically sophisticated products, primarily assembled using low cost overseas labor."

GTI manufactures and distributes a variety of electronic component parts, processing equipment and circuit boards for sale to manufacturers in the United States and abroad.

Telemetrix plc is a United Kingdom corporation which is listed on the London Stock Exchange and engaged in the manufacture, sale and distribution of advanced electronic products and components. As a result of the issuance of the 2.5 million shares of GTI's common stock to it, Telemetrix's voting interest in GTI will increase from 52.8 percent to 65.4 percent.

GTI today has mailed a proxy statement to its stockholders that describes the proposed transactions.

CONTACT: Gary L. Luick, president of GTI Corp., 619-578-3111

-30- 2072

#90221p3619 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Claire's Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CLE) today reported net sales for the month of July increased 49 percent to a record $17,620,000 from $11,850,000 a year earlier, with same-store sales advancing seven percent.

Sales for the second quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990 increased 45 percent to a record $55,170,000 from $38,000,000 in the previous year, with same-store sales increasing 11 percent.

"We are pleased to report our 25th consecutive month of same-store sales growth," stated Rowland Schaefer, Claire's chairman and president. "We are confident of a strong Back-to-School selling season and look forward to reporting record earnings for the second quarter," he concluded.

Claire's Stores, Inc., the nation's premier retailer specializing in one-stop shopping for women's fashion accessories, currently owns and operates 882 stores in 47 states, primarily under the names "Claire's Boutiques," "Topkapi" and "Dara Michelle."

CLAIRE'S STORES, INC.
(Monthly Sales to Date in 000s)

	FY 1991	FY 1990	Total Change	Same Store Change
REPORTING CHANGE				
February	$13,960	$ 8,150	71 pct.	26 pct.
March	$20,915	$14,640	43 pct.	7 pct.
April	$18,645	$11,530	62 pct.	24 pct.
FIRST QUARTER TOTAL	$53,520	$34,320	56 pct.	17 pct.
May	$16,940	$11,900	42 pct.	14 pct.
June	$20,610	$14,250	45 pct.	12 pct.
July	$17,620	$11,850	49 pct.	7 pct.
SECOND QUARTER TO DATE	$55,170	$38,000	45 pct.	11 pct.
YEAR TO DATE	$108,690	$72,320	50 pct.	14 pct.

CONTACT: David A. Buchsbaum of Claire's Stores, Inc., 305-558-2577

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#90221p3621 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) today announced that Hollis L. Harris, its president and chief operating officer has elected to retire from the company, effective August 8, 1990, in order to assume a position with Continental Airlines.

Ronald W. Allen, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, will assume Harris's duties as president.

CONTACT: Delta Air Lines public relations, 404-765-2531

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#90221p3623 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. (NYSE: CHH) today reported sales for the four weeks ended August 4, 1990 were $176.0 million, an increase of .9 percent from the $174.5 million recorded in the comparable prior year. The company also reported that sales for the 26 weeks ended August 4, 1990 were $1,214.3 million, an increase of .7 percent from the $1,205.8 million recorded in the same period last year. On a comparative store basis, sales were up .4 percent in July and up .3 percent for the 26 weeks.

Philip M. Hawley, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Business trends were little changed during the month with the exception of strength exhibited in new Fall apparel."

Sales for the company's fiscal year ended August 4, 1990 were $2,857.9 million, an increase of 3.8 percent from the $2,752.2 million recorded in the prior year period. 1990 is a 53-week fiscal year compared with 52 weeks in 1989. On a comparative store basis, sales were up .8 percent for the period.

Sales comparisons for the four and 26-week periods are on a calendar basis. All periods exclude the Emporium store in downtown Oakland, which has been closed since the earthquake in the Bay Area.

Carter Hawley Hale operates 114 department stores under the names of The Broadway-Southern California, The Broadway-Southwest, Emporium, Thalhimers and Weinstocks.

CONTACT: Bill Dombrowski (media contact), VP corporate affairs, 213-239-6522, or E. Harlin Smith (analyst contact), VP investor relations, 213-239-6626, both of Carter Hawley Hale

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#90221p3624 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHOENIX, ARIZ. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - StatesWest Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ: SWAL), operating as USAir Express, said today that an increase in fares is necessary to offset the increasing fuel costs it is encountering as a direct result of the Middle East developments. The 10 percent fare increase will be effective Tuesday, Aug. 14.

StatesWest said fuel costs are its second largest operating expense and the fare adjustment is made as an offset to the additional costs.

StatesWest operates one of the newest fleets of regional prop-jet aircraft in the United States. Present destinations include the Southern California locations of Burbank, Los Angeles, Orange County, San Diego and Santa Barbara, along with the Arizona cities of Phoenix, Tucson, Lake Havasu City, Sierra Vista/Ft. Huachuca and Laughlin, Nev./Bullhead City, Ariz. StatesWest will operate approximately 100 daily departures beginning Aug. 15 when service is added to the California cities of Bakersfield, Monterey, Sacramento and San Francisco.

CONTACT: Rudy R. Miller or Mary A. Nance, both of The Miller Group, 602-225-0504, for StatesWest Airlines Inc.

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#90221p3625 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
PARIS (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Compagnie de Saint-Gobain announced today that the $90 per share cash tender offer for all outstanding shares of common stock of Norton Company made by Saint-Gobain's wholly owned subsidiary, SG Acquisition Corp., expired at 5:00 p.m. on August 8, 1990. At that time, based upon a preliminary tabulation by Chemical Bank, the depositary for the tender offer, approximately 19.5 million shares, representing approximately 95 percent of the total shares outstanding, had been tendered.

All shares of Norton common stock validly tendered have been accepted for payment. Payment for shares validly tendered will be made as soon as practicable after receipt of all necessary related documents by the depositary.

Saint-Gobain also announced that it intends to complete a merger of SG Acquisition with Norton immediately following a special meeting of stockholders of Norton at which a vote will be held to approve the merger. Massachusetts law requires the affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds of the outstanding shares of common stock to approve the merger. Saint-Gobain has agreed that the shares held by SG Acquisition will be voted in favor of the merger and therefore approval of the merger will not require the affirmative vote of any other Norton stockholder. It is anticipated that the special meeting will be held in early

September. Holders of Norton common stock who did not tender their shares in the tender offer will be entitled to receive $90 per share, without interest, following completion of the merger.

CONTACT: Tom Ryan of Hill & Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for Compagnie de Saint-Gobain

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#90221p3627 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATHLONE, IRELAND (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Elan Corporation, plc (AMEX: ELN) announced today that Elan and Drug Research Corporation, plc, a newly formed Irish corporation, have filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to a rights offering to Elan shareholders.

Under the terms of the planned rights offering, holders of Elan American Depositary Shares and of Elan ordinary shares would receive one right for each share owned as of the record date. Four rights would be required to subscribe for one unit, and the subscription price is expected to be between $10 and $11 per unit. Each unit will consist of one American Depositary Share of Drug Research and one five-year Elan warrant to acquire an American Depositary Share of Elan.

The offering will consist of approximately 3.9 million units, and Drug Research will receive all of the net proceeds.

The record date to receive rights is expected to be one day before the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission declares the registration statement effective, presently anticipated in the middle of September.

The rights and the prospectus for the offering are expected to be issued on the day after the record date, and the rights will expire four weeks later.

It is anticipated that the rights will trade on the American Stock Exchange during this four-week subscription period. It is also expected that the units will be listed on the American Stock Exchange upon closing of the offering. The Drug Research shares and the Elan warrants included in the units will trade only as units until two years after the closing of the offering. At that time, the shares and the warrants will trade separately and the warrants will become exercisable.

Drug Research has been formed to develop certain products based upon drug delivery systems incorporating Elan's proprietary ETDAS (Electro Transport Drug Absorption System) and IPDAS (Intestinal Protective Drug Absorption System) technologies, and to commercialize products based on these technologies. Drug Research will use the net proceeds of the offering to

make payments to Elan under a research and development agreement.

Elan and Drug Research will each have certain licensing rights with respect to the products being developed. Elan will have the option to acquire all of Drug Research's ADSs during a specified time period in the future.

CONTACT: Donald E. Panoz, 404-534-8239, or Donal J. Geaney, 011-353-902-94666, both of Elan, or Thomas Redington of Redington, Inc., 203-222-7399, or 212-926-1733, for Elan

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#90221p3628 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Limited, Inc. (NYSE/LSE/TSE: LTD) reported net sales for the July fiscal month ended Aug. 4, 1990 of $348.9 million, an increase of 19 percent from sales of $292.5 million for the same period in 1989. Sales of $2.262 billion for the six months ended Aug. 4 increased 19 percent from the same period last year, excluding results of Lerner Woman.

The company's comparable store sales increased 6 percent in July 1990 and 8 percent for the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990.

The Limited, Inc., through the Limited, Express, Victoria's Secret, Henri Bendel, Lerner New York, Lane Bryant, Abercrombie & Fitch and Penhaligon's presently operates 3,290 specialty apparel stores and distributes apparel nationally through the Victoria's Secret, Lerner Direct, Lane Bryant Direct and Roaman's catalogues.

CONTACT: Alfred S. Dietzel of The Limited, Inc., 614-479-7070

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#90221p3629 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Citicorp Information Resources announced today that First National Bank of Vicksburg, Miss., has selected the Comprehensive Banking System to handle its core bank data processing applications. The Comprehensive Banking System is Citicorp's in-house, integrated retail banking system, which runs on IBM's AS/400 computer. First National Bank of Vicksburg will also purchase IBM's 3892 reader/sorter for item and check processing.

First National Bank of Vicksburg is a nine-branch, $242 million asset community bank. This will be the sixth data processing conversion for First National Bank, which evaluated software from "all the top banking software vendors and a service bureau," according to Gwen Case, vice president of data processing. "We narrowed the search to an in-house

system because we wanted to be in control and to be able to change products fast."

One of management's reasons for selecting the Comprehensive Banking System is its ability to create and deliver new products quickly to meet specific and diverse banking needs of their customers, Vicksburg is home to several of the main offices of the United States Army Corps of Engineers, as well as several large industrial employers. Many of First National Bank's customers have sophisticated banking requirements for investment products, CDs, bonds, and home equity loans. At the same time, First National Bank wishes to serve other customers, many with very little money to save or invest. These customers have very basic banking requirements for products that do not require large sums of money, but need flexibility as their financial situations change.

"The Comprehensive Banking System is the most up-to-date in terms of what our bank needs," comments Gwen Case. "We looked at the software of eight top software vendors and decided that CBS was the best solution for the diverse needs of our customer base."

Citicorp Information Resources is a wholly owned subsidiary of Citicorp, which supplies data processing software and services to financial institutions: the National Service Product is Citicorp's online data processing service; the Comprehensive Banking System is Citicorp's in-house, integrated software for IBM's AS/400; Facilities Management is an arrangement whereby Citicorp operates a bank's proprietary software at a Citicorp data center.

CONTACT: Joan Skimmons of Citicorp, 203-351-4900 or 800-243-4222

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#90221p3630 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANKATO, MINN. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Winland Electronics, Inc. today reported the results of the three and six month periods ended June 30, 1990.

For the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, Winland reported sales of $769,708 compared to $776,086 for the same period last year. The Company incurred a net loss of $24,974, or $(.012) per share during the current period compared to a net loss of $77,021, or $(.064) for the comparable period during 1989.

Winland's six-month year-to-date sales ended June 30, 1990 were $1,619,190 compared to $1,653,500 during the same period last year. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the Company reported a net loss of $19,644, or $(.010) per share compared to net income of $3,918, or $.003 per share last year.

As a percentage of sales, the Company's gross profit was 25 percent during the second quarter of 1990, compared to 17 percent during the same period in 1989. As a percentage of total operating expenses, general and administrative expenses increased to 59 percent during the second quarter of 1990 from 41 percent during the same period in 1989. The increase in general and administrative expenses the result of several factors, including: the reallocation of certain salaries from the selling expenses category into the administrative category, additional staffing in the production and accounting departments and non-recurring professional fees in connection with the sale of Winland's line of automotive winter heating products.

Winland Electronics, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets electronic and electro-mechanical products and assemblies. The Company's common stock is traded over-the-counter in Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota.

WINLAND ELECTRONICS, INC.

Three months ended June 30	1990	1989
Sales	$769,708	776,086
Net income (loss)	(24,974)	(77,021)
Net income (loss) per share	(.012)	(.064)
Six months ended June 30	1990	1989
Sales	1,619,190	1,653,500
Net income (loss)	(19,644)	3,918
Net income (loss) per share	(.010)	.003
Number of shares outstanding	2,002,820	1,195,000

CONTACT: W. Kirk Hankins of Winland Electronics, 507-625-7231, or Tom de Petra of First Financial Investor Relations, 612-338-7630, for Winland Electronics

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#90221p3632 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The British Petroleum Company p.l.c. of London, England, today announced payment of a quarterly dividend which, with the addition of the tax credit and less the withholding tax described below, is worth 100.2 cents per American Depositary Receipt (ADR) to qualifying U.S. resident ADR holders. The record date for ADR holders is Aug. 31, 1990 with payment to be made on Nov. 7, 1990.

The current double tax convention between the U.K. and the U.S. includes provisions which entitle qualifying U.S. resident ADR holders to a refund of the 25/75 U.K. tax credit attaching to the dividend, less a 15 percent U.K. withholding tax charged on the sum of the dividend and the tax credit. The effect of these arrangements for qualifying U.S. resident ADR

holders is that the tax credit raises the value of the dividend announced by the board from 88.4 cents to 117.9 cents but the 15 percent withholding tax reduces it to 100.2 cents per ADR. Subject to certain limitations, the withholding tax, worth approximately 17.7 cents per ADR, may be treated as a foreign income tax that is eligible for credit against the ADR holder's federal income taxes.

The rate of exchange of $1.8660 to the pound used to translate BP's ordinary share dividend into U.S. dollars was that in effect at 5 p.m. London time on Aug. 8, 1990.

	1986	1987	1988	1989
Full year (U.S.$)	2.614	3.134	3.068	3.331

-- The above figures are adjusted to take account of the 2 for 1 share split that took place in April 1987.

-- One ADR represents 12 ordinary shares of BP traded in London.
-- The ex-dividend date on the New York Stock Exchange is expected to be Aug. 27, 1990.

CONTACT: John F. Andes of BP, 216-586-5547

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#90221p3633 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PASADENA, CALIF. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (NYSE: JEC) today announced that it has been awarded a contract by the Foodservice Group of the Borden Grocery and Specialty Products Division to provide engineering, procurement, and construction services for two Borden production facilities.

The projects have a combined constructed value of more than $25 million, and will be located at Jackson, Miss., and Chatsworth, Calif.

The Jackson project involves construction of a new 440,000- square-foot food production operation within an existing structure that the previous owner had used for distribution. Jacobs will transform the site into a "hyperplant" -- Borden's term for a state- of-the-art, highly efficient facility with low-cost production economics -- for the manufacture and distribution of products for the food service industry.

Specifically, the facility will process or package individual portion products -- such as jelly, dipping sauces, dessert toppings, ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, salad dressing, cream, sugar, and pepper. In addition, the plant will produce bulk-size, oil-based items -- such as mayonnaise, sauces, salad and other dressings, and syrups. The products are principally consumed at restaurants, fast- food chains, hospitals, schools, and other places where food is eaten or prepared away from the

home.

The work is being done on a fast-track basis. Initial operations in the Jackson facility are scheduled for October of this year, with final completion scheduled for March, 1991.

The Chatsworth project is an expansion of an existing Borden plant to increase production capacity for food products such as margarine, ketchup, sauces, mustard, salad dressings, and jams and jellies. The project also is being done on a fast-track basis, with initial occupation scheduled for November of this year and final completion scheduled for January, 1991.

Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. provides single-source environmental and hazardous waste management, consulting, engineering, design, architectural construction, construction management, contract maintenance, and operations services to government and industry worldwide.

CONTACT: Christopher E. Nagel of Jacobs Engineering Group Inc., 818-499-2171

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#90221p3637 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, N.J. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Rhone-Poulenc S.A., the international chemical company, today listed Contingent Value Rights (CVRs) on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "RCV." The CVRs have been issued in connection with Rorer's assumption of $264 million in debt. The CVRs have been trading since July 2 on a when-issued basis.

Commenting on the listing of the CVRs, Igor Landau, member of Rhone-Poulenc S.A.'s executive committee and president of the health sector, said, "This final step in the merging of our human pharmaceutical business with Rorer attests to our confidence in Rhone-Poulenc Rorer's future. The CVRs further demonstrate our trust in the management of Rhone-Poulenc Rorer and their ability to meet the expectations of all shareholders."

On July 31, 1990, following merger approval at Rorer's annual meeting of shareholders, Rorer received approximately 20.9 million CVRs, a number equal to the number of remaining outstanding Rorer common shares held by Rorer's public shareholders. Pursuant to issuing the CVRs, Rhone-Poulenc transferred $264 million of debt to Rhone-Poulenc Rorer, the newly formed company.

As a final step Rhone-Poulenc contributed substantially all of its human pharmaceutical business to Rorer, in exchange for Rorer issuing approximately 24.2 million shares to Rhone-Poulenc, the assumption by Rorer of $1 million of Rhone-Poulenc indebtedness and a cash payment by Rorer of $20 million to a Rhone-Poulenc subsidiary.

Rhone-Poulenc S.A., an international chemical company ranking eighth worldwide, concentrates its activities in three major areas: life science applied to man, animals, and plants; specialty chemicals, performance products and advanced materials; and major organic and inorganic intermediates. Rhone-Poulenc's preferred investment certificates trade in Paris and in the form of American Depositary Receipts on the New York Stock Exchange. The company operates in 140 countries and has 86,000 employees. Rhone-Poulenc's U.S. subsidiary, Rhone-Poulenc Inc., is headquartered in Princeton, N.J. In 1989, U.S. sales represented approximately 13 percent of overall group sales.

CONTACT: Andre de Marco of Rhone-Poulenc S.A., in Paris, 011-331-47-68-22-29; or Miquelon Weyeneth (investor relations) of Rhone-Poulenc Inc., 201-821-3309

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#90221p3638 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHELTON, CT (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Data Switch Corp. (NASDAQ: DASW) has purchased $2 million face amount of its 15 percent subordinated notes, it was announced today by Rudolph G. Morin, executive vice president and chief financial officer.

Morin said that the repurchase was accomplished at a price below face and book value and, consequently, will result in a small gain, to be accounted for in the third quarter.

"This buyback is part of a continuing debt-reduction program that has allowed us to dramatically reduce our debt-to-equity ratio -- from 1.9 to 0.9 -- since the acquisition of T-Bar in late 1986," Morin said. "Fortunately, Data Switch's strong cash flow has made possible this buyback and previous repurchases of our convertible subordinated debentures."

Morin added that the company will "look for similar opportunities to buy back debt from time to time."

Data Switch is a leading manufacturer of management and control systems for data processing and data communications applications.

CONTACT: Rudolph G. Morin, executive vice president - Finance, of Data Switch Corp., 203-926-1801.

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#90221p3640 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

BENSALEM, PA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Charming Shoppes Inc. (NASDAQ: CHRS),

the retail women's apparel chain, reported today that total sales for the four weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990, increased 14 percent to $62.8 million from $55 million for the comparable period ended Aug. 5, 1989.

Sales for comparable stores increased 6 percent during July. Sales for the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990, increased 9 percent to $410.7 million from $376.8 million for the comparable period last year.

The company's year-to-date comparable store sales increased 2 percent. Charming Shoppes Inc. operates 1,021 stores in 40 states, primarily under the names of "Fashion Bug" and "Fashion Bug Plus."

CONTACT: Bernard Brodsky, vp and treasurer of Charming Shoppes, 215-638-6719.

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#90221p3641 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - K mart Corporation (NYSE: KM) today reported a sales increase of 12.1 percent for July 1990 over sales during the same period of last year.

Consolidated sales for the four-week period ended Aug. 1, 1990, amounted to $2,269,148,000 vs. sales of $2,024,346,000 for the four weeks ended Aug. 2, 1989. Sales on a comparable store basis -- those stores open at least one year -- were up 2.2 percent.

Sales for the 26 weeks ended Aug. 1, 1990, were $14,829,797,000, up 12.4 percent from the $13,195,536,000 for the first 26 weeks of 1989. Comparable store sales for the 26-week period rose by 2.8 percent.

K mart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. K mart, currently operating 2,331 K mart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse Clubs and The Sports Authority.

K mart Corporation's stock is listed on the New York, Pacific, Midwest and Tokyo stock exchanges. Its trading symbol is KM.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF
K MART CORPORATION ESTIMATED CONSOLIDATED SALES

	4 Weeks Ended 8/1/90	4 Weeks Ended 8/2/89
Fiscal 1990 sales	$2,269,148,000	
Fiscal 1989 sales	$2,024,346,000	
Dollar difference	$244,802,000	
Percentage change	12.1 percent	

	13 Weeks Ended 8/1/90	13 Weeks Ended 8/1/90
	13 Weeks Ended 8/2/89	13 Weeks Ended 7/26/89
Fiscal 1990 sales	$7,785,645,000	$7,785,645,000
Fiscal 1989 sales	$6,941,318,000	$7,006,081,000
Dollar difference	$844,327,000	$779,564,000
Percentage change	12.2 percent	11.1 percent
	26 Weeks Ended 8/1/90	26 Weeks Ended 8/1/90
	26 Weeks Ended 8/2/89	26 Weeks Ended 7/26/89
Fiscal 1990 sales	$14,829,797,000	$14,829,797,000
Fiscal 1989 sales	$13,195,536,000	$13,074,295,000
Dollar difference	$1,634,261,000	$1,755,502,000
Percentage change	12.4 percent	13.4 percent

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MELVILLE, N.Y. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Arrow Electronics, Inc. (NYSE: ARW) today announced the election to its board of directors of Carlo Giersch, the chief executive officer and majority shareholder of Spoerle Electronic Germany's largest electronics distributor.

A founder of Frankfurt-based Spoerle in the late 1960s, Giersch, age 53, has presided over the business' expansion for over two decades. Spoerle's annual sales, now in excess of $200 million, account for over 20 percent of Germany's total market for distributed electronic components. From sales offices located in ten cities throughout Germany, Spoerle distributes the products of such leading semiconductor suppliers as AMD, Harris, Intel, Motorola, Phillips and Texas Instruments.

In 1985, Arrow acquired a 40 percent interest in Spoerle and has since worked in close partnership with Giersch in developing and implementing plans to take advantage of expanded opportunities in European distribution arising from the European Economic Community's upcoming unification.

John C. Waddell, chairman of the board of Arrow, stressed the benefits to Arrow of Giersch's 22 years of experience in European distribution. "Our strategic partnership with Carlo Giersch and his widely respected company has proved exceedingly helpful to Arrow as we have sorted out the issues and opportunities that accompany our expanded presence in European distribution. Mr. Giersch's election to Arrow's board of directors formally recognizes the strength and further potential of our partnership and additionally acknowledges our high regard for the man and his company " Waddell said.

Arrow Electronics is one of the world's two largest distributors of electronic components, systems, and related products.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Woolworth Corporation (NYSE: Z) today reported that total sales for the four weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990, rose 14.6 percent to $703 million from $613 million in the comparable year-earlier period.

Domestic sales for the four-week period increased 8.7 percent to $389 million from $358 million, and foreign sales, expressed in U.S. dollars, rose 22.8 percent. If foreign exchange rates had remained constant, foreign sales would have increased 13.8 percent and total sales would have increased 10.8 percent. Domestic comparable store sales for the four-week period rose 4.9 percent.

For the cumulative 26 weeks ended Aug. 4, total sales rose 11.4 percent to $4,342 million from $3,899 million in the corresponding year-earlier period.

Domestic sales for the 26-week period increased 8.6 percent to $2,488 million from $2,290 million, and foreign sales, expressed in U.S. dollars, rose 15.2 percent. If foreign exchange rates had remained constant, foreign sales would have increased 9.0 percent and total sales would have increased 8.8 percent. Domestic comparable store sales for the 26-week period rose 5.4 percent.

Harold E. Sells, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "Overall, July sales were satisfactory, although not up to plans. We were particularly pleased with the very strong comparable-store sales gains registered by our Kinney operations in the United States and by our Woolworth operations in Germany."

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Renault Vehicules Industriels S.A. ("RVI"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Regie Nationale des Usines Renault, announced today that the term of the tender offer (the "Offer") by ITM Acqusition Corp ("ITM"), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of RVI, to acquire all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Mack Trucks Inc. (NASDAQ: MACK) not beneficially owned directly or indirectly by RVI, at $6.00 per share, net to the seller in cash, and related withdrawal rights had been extended to 9 p.m., New York City time, on Wednesday, Aug. 22.

The offer had previously been scheduled to expire at midnight, New York City time, on Aug. 8. RVI stated that it was extending the term of the offer in order to provide more time to satisfy the conditions to the offer including the expiration or termination of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976.

RVI also announced that ITM had amended the condition to the offer requiring receipt by Mack prior to Aug. 8 of an extension of the maturity of the Mack Financial Corp. revolving credit agreement to Dec. 31 and certain waivers from lenders to Mack through that date (the "Waiver Condition"). This condition, as amended, will require receipt by Mack of such an extension and such waivers prior to the expiration of the offer. Mack has advised RVI that discussions with its lenders and certain of the lenders to its subsidiaries are continuing. RVI does not yet consider the waiver condition to have been satisfied.

As of 5 p.m., New York City time, on Aug. 8, an aggregate of 625,372 shares of common stock of Mack (representing approximately 2.1 percent of the total outstanding common stock of Mack) had been tendered pursuant to the offer by either physicial or guaranteed delivery. The tendered shares together with the Mack shares beneficially owned directly or indirectly by RVI, represent approximately 46.6 percent of the total outstanding common stock of Mack.

CONTACT: Raoul Chabot of Renault Vehicules Industriels S.A., 011-331-4099-7249 or William Catacosinos or Marisa Heine, both of D.F. King & Co. Inc., 212-269-5550, for Renault Vehicules Industriels

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MORRIS TOWNSHIP, N.J. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied-Signal Inc. (NYSE: ALD) announced today it has reached agreement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on the commercialization of a key substitute for chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) used in foam insulation and solvent cleaning applications. Approximately 250 million lbs. of CFCs were used in these applications during 1989.

The substitute, HCFC 14lb, is currently being produced by Allied- Signal at a pilot plant at the company's Materials Research Center in Buffalo, N.Y. that has been operating since June, 1988. Allied-Signal plans to break ground later this year on a full scale commercial facility in Geismar, La. Start-up is expected in late 1991 or early 1992.

"This is another major step in our drive to commercialize a family of CFC substitutes," according to Fred Poses, president of Allied- Signal's Engineered Materials. "This new product will have a significant impact

on reducing the used CFCs in the insulating foam and solvent cleaning industries. The EPA agreement comes at just the right time as we are about to break ground for the new plant in Geismar."

The agreement was necessary because federal law requires EPA approval of new products before they can be commercially produced. Because HCFC 14lb has never been approved before, Allied-Signal submitted a variety of health and safety studies to the agency. The results of these tests demonstrated that there were no health or safety effects from exposure to HCFC 14lb that would preclude its general usage. Because of the expected widespread usage of HCFC 14lb, EPA and Allied-Signal have agreed on several additional tests that will be completed within four years.

Poses added that initial production quantities from the Geismar plant will support solvent applications. He anticipated that the use of HCFC 14lb in foam applications will be phased in later.

Allied-Signal is an advanced technology company with businesses in aerospace, automotive products and engineered materials.

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#90221p3649 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANTON, IL (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Canton Industrial Corporation (BSE: CNI.B; OTC) today announced that it is in the negotiation process with Abbott Products, Inc. to consolidate both companies.

Abbott Products, Inc. is a Chicago based commercial, industrial and defense contractor owned by Nelson Carlo, the current CEO and majority stockholder in Canton Industrial Corporation. Because of Carlo's Hispanic heritage, both companies qualify as minority-owned, small disadvantaged businesses (SDB) by federal, state and city governments.

Abbott Products, Inc. has an immediate business backlog of more than $31 million along with contract options in excess of $16 million. Many metropolitan areas require developers and general contractors to earmark a certain percentage of their business to minority-owned enterprises. The U.S. government allots 5 percent of all money spent on defense- related products to small disadvantaged businesses.

To further the consolidation effort, both corporations have negotiated with the financial institutions who are creditors of Canton to sell all of Canton's equipment to Abbott thereby eliminating nearly $1 million of Canton's debt and securing the equipment for use by Abbott and Canton jointly.

The corporations are also renegotiating Canton Industrial's debt with the city of Canton and a resolution is imminent. Canton is confident that their proposal will bring about a substantial debt reduction for the Canton Industrial Corporation.

Carlo, president of both companies, said, "The natural synergies between the marketing skills of Abbott management and the manufacturing facilities of Canton present strong growth opportunities for the companies if combined."

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SEATTLE (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunex Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNX) today announced that an investigational new drug application for Interleukin-1 (IL-1) alpha has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Phase I/II clinical trials, to evaluate the drug's safety and effect on blood cell growth in patients with refractory cancers -- cancers that have spread and are not responding to treatment -- are scheduled to begin early next month.

Based on data from preclinical trials, Immunex scientists believe IL-1 alpha may be useful in treating or preventing myelosuppression, a condition in which the body's production of critical blood cells is depressed. Myelosuppression most often occurs in cancer patients who receive chemotherapy or radiation therapy, because both types of treatments can destroy bone marrow and blood cells derived from bone marrow, including infection-fighting white cells such as neutrophils, granulocytes and monocytes, as well as cells critical to clotting called platelets. Ultimately, if IL-1 alpha is able to protect a patient's bone marrow during cancer therapy, Immunex scientists believe that the drug may allow oncologists to increase dosages of chemotherapy or radiation.

Preclinical data has also demonstrated that IL-1 used in combination with other colony stimulating factors, such as granulocyte macrophage-colony stimulating factor (GM-CSF), may increase the effectiveness of standard chemotherapy regimens.

The term IL-1 is used to refer to two related, naturally occurring hormones: IL-1 alpha and IL-1 beta, which were identified by Immunex scientists in 1984. The two proteins are structurally different, but share similar biological activities.

Immunex began its work on IL-1 in 1982. In 1983 it entered into a collaboration with Syntex (U.S.A.) Inc., a subsidiary of Syntex Corp.,

based in Palo Alto, Calif. Work under that collaboration has produced several products which the parties are separately developing.

In addition to the IL-1 alpha IND announced today, Immunex is conducting Phase I/II trials of a wound healing product in which the active ingredient is IL-1 beta. This product is being tested for its ability to aid healing of pressure wounds (commonly known as bed sores) in patients in hospitals and nursing homes. The wound healing product is administered topically in gel form. Immunex has worldwide rights to the development, manufacturing and marketing of IL-1 beta as a wound healing agent.

Immunex is a leading biotechnology firm focused on the research, development, marketing and manufacture of immunological therapeutic products. The company has under develpoment one of the biopharmaceutical industry's largest proprietary portfolios of cytokines and cytokine receptors.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Earnings for Bell Industries Inc. (NYSE: BI) nearly doubled in the fourth quarter while increasing 80 percent for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, the company announced today.

Net income for the fourth quarter rose to $2,869,000, or $.49 per share, from $1,461,000, or $.25 per share, in the year earlier period. Pretax profit margins showed significant improvement, with income before taxes posting a 138 percent gain over the prior year. Sales were $102,867,000 versus $105,671,000 in the corresponding quarter last year.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, net income increased 80 percent to $8,202,000, or $1.40 per share, from $4,550,000, or $.75 per share, a year ago. Pretax income nearly doubled from the prior year. Sales were $395,774,000 compared with $418,198,000 in fiscal 1989.

Bell President Theodore Williams attributed the improved margins to greater overall efficiencies, reduced overhead realized from centralized purchasing and inventory control, and emphasis on higher margin sales, including more value-added services such as its growing Just-In-Time business. Operating income rose sharply in Bell's two largest business groups -- Electronics and Building Products -- despite slightly lower sales. The Electronics Distribution Group's gross profit margin continued to improve, increasing to 26.3 percent in 1990.

"We are extremely encouraged by the substantial gains in operating margins particularly in a year where Bell was influenced by sluggish sales, consolidation of facilities and equipment availability problems with a building products supplier early in the year," Williams said.

Operating results from Bell's other distribution businesses -- Graphic Arts and Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories -- declined from the prior year, reflecting in large part costs associated with restructuring the operations, opening of new facilities and relocation of another.

Bell Industries Inc. distributes and manufactures products for the electronics, building and other markets.

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ONTARIO (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - InterTan Inc. (NYSE: ITN) announced today that Robert E. Keto, the company's president and chief operating officer would assume the additional duties of chief executive officer of the company effective immediately.

John V. Roach, who recently resigned as chief executive officer of the company, will continue to serve on the company's board of directors as its chairman.

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#90221p3657 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNETONKA, MINN. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Advance Circuits, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADVC), Minnetonka based manufacturer of printed circuits, has been named the recipient of several awards for Quality Excellence.

Two of these awards are from major corporations presented to "select supplier team members for their outstanding capabilities, performance and support." The third award is the U.S. Small Business Administration Award for Excellence earned for "outstanding contribution and service."

Robert W. Heller, president/CEO and chief quality officer said these awards reflect continued improvements in manufacturing controls and product yields.

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#90221p3658 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLYMOUTH, MI (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Buffalo Don's Artesian Wells, Ltd. (OTC), the nation's only independent, publicly held bottled water company, today reported record sales and earnings for the fiscal first quarter ended June 30, 1990. This marks the company's fourth consecutive first quarter of record results. It also said it expects to report record sales and earnings for the fiscal year ending March 30, 1991, which will mark the fourth year in a row of record results.

Net income for the first quarter ended June 30 increased 36 percent to $72,173 or 2.4 cents per share, compared to net earnings of $53,214 or 1.8 cents per share. Net sales increased 29 percent to a record $1,725,735, compared to $1,335,851 in the previous quarter.

Buffalo Don's is the country's only independent, publicly held bottled water company in the nearly $2 billion industry, and produces, tests, bottles and distributes its bottled water products to supermarkets, grocery stores and health food outlets in one-gallon, 136-ounce and 2-1/2-gallon non-returnable containers, along with its new six-pack line of Sparkling Flavored Water in 10-ounce glass containers.

BUFFALO DON'S ARTESIAN WELLS, LTD.
(Unaudited)

First quarter ended	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Net sales	$1,725,735	$1,335,851
Net income	72,173	53,214
Net income per share	2.4 cents	1.8 cents
Average shares outstanding	3,000,000	3,000,000

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CINCINNATI (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) today announced a 33 percent increase in earnings on sales growth of 13 percent for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Worldwide net earnings for the year amounted to $1,602,000,000, an increase of 33 percent over $1,206,000,000 for the previous year. The

increase was primarily due to unit volume growth. Also contributing to the increase in net earnings, but to a lesser extent, were a lower effective income tax rate and the manufacturing consolidation reserve established in June, 1989.

Earnings per share were $4.49, an increase of 26 percent over $3.56 for the preceding year. The growth in earnings was greater than the increase in earnings per share primarily due to the acquisition of Noxell in exchange for common shares of P&G stock. These per share figures have been adjusted for the two-for-one stock split effective October 20, 1989.

Worldwide net sales for the year amounted to $24,081,000,000, an increase of 13 percent over $21,398,000,000 for the previous year.

Dividends of $1.75 per common share were paid during the year. This compares to the previous year's dividend of $1.50 per share after adjustment for the stock split. The quarterly dividend was increased to an annual rate of $1.80 per share in November, 1989. This marks the 34th consecutive fiscal year of increased dividend payments.

For the April/June period, the last quarter of P&G's fiscal year, worldwide net earnings were $284,000,000, an increase of 66 percent over $171,000,000 for the same quarter of the previous year. Excluding the effect of the $78,000,000 after-tax reserve established in June, 1989, in connection with production facilities' consolidations, earnings would have increased 14 percent. Earnings per share were $.78 which compares with $.50 for the fourth quarter a year ago. Worldwide net sales were $6,216,000,000, an increase of 14% over $5,433,000,000 for the same three months last year.

P&G Chairman and Chief Executive Edwin L. Artzt and President John E. Pepper said, "This past year we achieved the largest year-to-year percentage increase in worldwide unit volume in 32 years. We generated broad-based volume increases not only geographically but also in product categories. New acquisitions and ventures contributed to the increase, but the majority of volume growth came from the company's established businesses, notably laundry products, hair care products, and disposable diapers."

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#90221p3660 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Vishay Intertechnology Inc. (NYSE: VSH) reported a record 64 percent increase in net earnings on a 7 percent increase in sales for the second quarter of calendar 1990, Dr. Felix

Zandman, chairman and chief executive officer, announced today.

In the three months ended June 30, 1990, sales increased by 7 percent to $113,517,000 as compared with $106,160,000 in the year- earlier period. Net earnings increased by 64 percent to $6,563,000 or $.50 per share, compared to $4,002,000 or $.32 per share in the previous year's quarter. Earnings per share has been diluted by $.03 per share for the three months ended June 30, 1990, due to the effect of the assumed conversion of the convertible subordinated debentures.

In the six months ended June 30, 1990, sales increased by 8 percent to $229,382,000 as compared with $212,170,000 in the year-earlier period. Net earnings increased by 57 percent to $12,884,000 or $.99 per share, compared to $8,232,000 or $.66 per share in the year-earlier period. Earnings per share has been diluted by $.05 per share for the six months ended June 30, 1990, due to the effect of the assumed conversion of the convertible subordinated debentures.

Vishay Intertechnology Inc. is a leading U.S. and European producer of a wide range of electronic resistors and resistive sensors. It is also a major producer of other types of passive electronic components. The company's products are used in a broad range of industries.

VISHAY INTERTECHNOLOGY INC.
(Unaudited)

Three months ended June 30	1990	1989	Percent increase
Sales	$113,517,000	$106,160,000	7
Earnings before income taxes	9,546,000	5,875,000	62
Income taxes	2,983,000	1,873,000	59
Net earnings	6,563,000	4,002,000	64
Net earnings per share	$.50(A)	$.32	56
Average shares outstanding	14,677,000(A)	12,383,000	

Six months ended June 30	1990	1989	Percent increase
Sales	$229,382,000	$212,170,000	8
Earnings before income taxes	19,124,000	11,984,000	60
Income taxes	6,240,000	3,752,000	66
Net earnings	12,884,000	8,232,000	57
Net earnings per share	$.99(A)	$.66	50
Average shares outstanding	14,672,000(A)	12,433,000	

(A) Earnings per share is based on the weighted average number of common shares and dilutive common equivalent shares (from the assumed conversion

of convertible subordinated debentures) outstanding during the period. For periods where the assumed conversion of the debentures has a dilutive effect, net earnings used in these computations are adjusted for interest expense, net of income taxes on the convertible subordinated debentures. The effect of this is that earnings per share has been diluted by $.03 per share and $.05 per share for the three months and six months ended June 30 1990, respectively. Earnings per share is adjusted for the 5 percent stock dividend paid on June 11, 1990.

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GOTEBORG, Sweden (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - SKF (NASDAQ: SKFRY), the world's largest manufacturer of bearings, today reported interim results for the six months ended June 30, 1990. SKF Group income after financial income and expense for the first six months of 1990 rose 11 percent to SEK 1.343 billion, compared with SEK 1.211 billion in the corresponding period a year earlier. Sales increased 15 percent to SEK 14.707 billion, from SEK 12.768 billion for the same period in 1989.

SEK 832 million of the sales increase of SEK 1.939 billion was attributable to the newly acquired Chicago Rawhide (CR), which for practical reasons has been consolidated in the accounts already from Jan. 1, 1990. Income generated by CR, including goodwill amortization, largely offset the financial costs during the period for the acquisition.

Return on capital employed for the most recent 12-month period was 19.4 percent versus 20.0 percent for the full year 1989.

Bearings The favorable sales trend posted at the beginning of the year weakened at the close of the period. Several of the European companies reported a marked weakening in sales to the automotive industry in June. Sales to the capital goods sector also declined in June.

Demand in the United States continued at an unchanged level. Sales to the aftermarket were at the same level as previously reported.

Rolling bearings sales during the first six months were up 10 percent to SEK 11.795 billion, compared with SEK 10.761 billion in 1989. Income after financial net rose 12 percent, from SEK 977 million to SEK 1.095 billion.

Tools At the beginning of July, a decision was made to merge the companies in the SKF Tools business area with Gunther & Co. (Titex), a West German tool company. The newly formed company, CTT

Cutting Tools and Technology, with annual sales of slightly more than SEK 2 billion and nearly 5,000 employees, will be 70 percent owned by SKF and 30 percent by Gunther & Co. The transaction is contingent upon approval of the German cartel authorities.

SKF Tools also experienced a weakening in demand at the end of the period. This was particularly apparent in Sweden. In Brazil the market began a recovery despite the adverse impact of the strikes in their automotive industry.

Income for SKF Tools amounted to SEK 57 million for the first six months of 1990, compared with SEK 68 million in the same period a year earlier. Sales rose 12 percent to SEK 703 million (SEK 625 million).

Component Systems Continued favorable growth was noted by the SKF Component Systems business area during the first six months. However, developments in Eastern Europe had an adverse effect on demand for textile machinery components, which therefore met weakened growth in the market.

The acquisition of CR significantly strengthened the group's position as a manufacturer and supplier of seals. Organizationally, manufacturing and sales to large customers will be placed within the SKF Component Systems business area. Sales to the aftermarket, which is mainly the same market segment as for rolling bearings, will be placed within SKF Bearing Services.

In June, SKF acquired the oil seals activities of the Italian company, Gallino Gomma S.p.A. Gallino Gomma has annual sales of SEK 100 million and 250 employees.

Income for SKF Component Systems rose 13 percent to SEK 187 million (SEK 165 million) during the first half-year. Sales, excluding CR, climbed 17 percent to SEK 1.950 billion (SEK 1.668 billion).

Earnings SKF Group operating income, after depreciation according to plan, amounted to SEK 1.448 billion (1.304 billion). Net financial expense was SEK -105 million (SEK -93 million). Net earnings per share after taxes amounted to SEK 6.65 (SEK 6.90).

When AB SKF sold part of its real estate holdings in Goteborg, the SKF Group obtained a minority interest in the buying company. Most of this minority holding was sold during the second quarter of 1990, which yielded an extraordinary gain after taxes amounting to SEK 116 million. Earnings per share, after extraordinary items, amounted to SEK 7.70 (SEK 8.55).

Capital expenditures in plant and equipment during the period amounted to SEK 649 million (SEK 574 million). At the end of June, inventories

accounted for 34 percent of sales for the year, compared with 33 percent 12 months earlier. The group's financial assets totaled SEK 4.820 billion (SEK 4.422 billion) at June 30, 1990.

The average number of employees at work at the end of the first six months was 49,840 (46,164).

Parent Company The parent company, which only includes group and business area staff functions since the industrial operations have been transferred to separate companies, posted income after financial income and expense amounting to SEK 220 million (SEK 186 million). Liquid assets at the close of the period under review totaled SEK 511 million, compared with SEK 466 million at year-end 1989. There were no sales during the period (SEK 1.370 billion) and no capital expenditures (SEK 38 million). The average number of employees was 203 (3,371).

The total number of AB SKF shares outstanding, including conversion of the debenture loan, amounts to 112,999,556.

As payment for the acquisition of Chicago Rawhide, AB SKF issued a debt instrument loan amounting to US$149.8 million, with attached warrants entitling the holders to subscribe for a new issue of 11,000,000 restricted shares of series B. The subscription price was set at SEK 190.

Forecast SKF's forecast for 1990 of a sustained level of profitability was based upon a certain growth in industrial production. The consequences of the political development in the Middle East coupled with a slower than anticipated growth rate of industrial production in some countries make the group's possibilities to reach its forecast more difficult.

NOTE: As of June 29, 1990, one U.S. dollar equals SEK 6.0480.

SKF
CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION
(SEK millions expect per-share data)

	Jan.-June 1989		Jan.-June 1990		Change
	MSEK	Pct.	MSEK	Pct.	Pct.
Net sales	$12,768	100.0	$14,707	100.0	+15.2
Other operating income	84	--	36	--	--
Total	12,852	--	14,743	--	--
Cost of goods sold	-8,670	67.9	-9,695	65.9	+11.8
Selling, admin. & technical expenses	-2,440	19.1	-3,066	20.8	+25.7
Deprec. according to plan	-438	3.4	-534	3.6	+21.9
Operating income	1,304	10.2	1,448	9.8	+11.0
Financial inc./expens.-net	-93	0.7	-105	0.7	--

Inc. after financial inc. and expense	1,211	9.5	1,343	9.1	+10.9
Taxes on income	-461	3.6	-574	3.9	+24.5
Extraord. items after tax	185	--	116	--	--
Inc. in associated companies & minority interest-net	14	--	-17	--	--
Net income	949	7.4	868	5.9	-8.5
Earns. per share in kronor:					
Before extraord. items	6.90	--	6.65	--	--
After extraord. items	8.55	--	7.70	--	--
Additions to property, plant and equipment	574	--	649	--	--
Avg. number of employees at work	46,164	--	49,840	--	--
Return on capital employed	19.2 pct.		19.4 pct.		

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LEXINGTON, MASS. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Interneuron Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (NASDAQ: IPIC/IPICU) announced the signing of an agreement with Ferrer Internacional, S.A. of Barcelona, Spain providing for a one-year period, during which Interneuron will have the exclusive option to license rights and know-how, in the United States and Canada, to Cytidil Diphosphocholine (CDP choline) for use in treating brain disease including Post-Stroke Syndrome and memory disorders.

CDP choline has been marketed in Spain by Ferrer and is being developed in Germany by Ferrer's local affiliate, H. Trommsdorff GmbH & Co., to treat syndromes involving damage to the brain such as Post- Trauma, Post-Stroke Syndromes and age-related memory disorders. CDP choline is currently undergoing market registration in Germany. Use of CDP choline in the United States will require FDA approval.

"The option to license CDP choline constitutes another important milestone in our continuing development of a strong product portfolio," said Charles J. Casamento, president and chief executive officer. "It fits perfectly into our strategy of marketing products for treating neurologic and psychiatric diseases and disorders".

Interneuron is a neuropharmaceutical company organized to research, develop and commercialize innovative pharmaceutical compounds or products. The company's efforts will focus primarily on investigating compounds which mimic or affect neurotransmitters or neurohormones to treat disturbances of sleep, appetite, memory or mood, or certain neurologic or

psychiatric disorders such as obesity, depression, spasticity, or Alzheimer's disease.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Dayton Hudson Corporation (NYSE: DH) today reported that its net retail sales for the four weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990, increased 16.4 percent to $984 million from $845 million a year ago.

Comparable-store sales were up 4.4 percent from the same period a year ago.

Kenneth A. Macke, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We continue to be pleased with the strength of our base businesses. Target's sales increase is again solid across all business categories and in all regions. Mervyn's results were satisfying and as expected, given their low clearance position and strong July a year ago. The Department Store Division had a good month with Dayton's, Hudson's and Marshall Field's all performing consistently well.

"Our inventories are in excellent shape in all our divisions as we enter the fall season. We are encouraged with early fall selling and we continue to feel good about the balance of the year, even in a difficult retail environment," Macke said. "We are on track for solid performance for the quarter and the year."

July sales by business segment for the four weeks were as follows: -- Target's total sales rose 10 percent while comparable-store sales were up 5 percent.

-- Mervyn's total sales increased 4 percent and comparable-store sales increased 2 percent.

-- The Department Store Division's total sales were up 84 percent and comparable-store sales (including Marshall Field's, this year and last) were up 8 percent. The total sales increase for July primarily reflects 4 weeks' sales from Marshall Field's.

The Corporation's sales for the 26 weeks ended Aug.4 were $6.15 billion, up 12.6 percent from $5.46 billion in the same period a year ago. Comparable-store sales for the 26 week period were up 5.6 percent compared to the same period last year.

As of Aug. 4, 1990, Dayton Hudson operated 695 stores in 33 states. NOTE:

1989 numbers exclude Lechmere, which was sold, effective Sept. 30, 1989.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Best Buy Co., Inc. (NYSE: BBY) today reported sales for July 1990 (July 8 through Aug. 4), the fifth period of the company's 1990-91 fiscal year.

According to Allen Lenzmeier, senior vice president-finance, July 1990 sales of $48 million were 33 percent more than the $36 million achieved for the comparable four-week period last year. Year-to-date sales (Mar. 4 through Aug. 4) were $229 million, a 24 percent increase over $185 million for the comparable period last year. Comparable store sales increased 2 percent for July 1990. Due to a cooler summer in the Upper Midwest, the sale of air conditioners are down considerably and reduced the overall comparable store sales increase by 3 percent (41 of the company's stores are considered comparable).

Best Buy opened a new store in Springfield, Mo., on July 13, 1990, bringing the company's total number of retail locations to 53.

Best Buy reports sales on a 5-4-4 week basis. Net income and earnings per share are disclosed quarterly. Best Buy is the fourth- largest publicly held consumer electronics and major appliance retailer in the U.S. The company sells nationally recognized name-brand consumer electronics products, 35mm photographic equipment, home office products, entertainment software, and major appliances at 53 stores located in Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Texas.

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#90221p3667 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Meridian Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: KITS) announced today record net sales for the fiscal 1990 third quarter and nine month periods ended June 30, 1990, were $2,177,000 and $5,894,000 respectively, compared with $1,544,000 and $4,554,000 for the same periods during the prior fiscal year. Net earnings for the fiscal 1990 third quarter and nine month periods were $123,000 ($.03 per share) and $390,000 ($.08 per share) compared to $75,000 ($.02 per share) and $229,000 ($.05 per share) earned during the comparable periods of the previous fiscal year.

Net sales for the third fiscal quarter and nine months increased $633,000 (41 percent) and $1,340,000 (29 percent), respectively, over the comparable prior year periods. P%q1/41/2 earnings increased by 64 percent for the three month period and 70 percent for the nine month period over the prior year results.

Jerry L. Ruyan, president and chief operating officer, said, "We are excited with the progress of our operating results made through the nine month period, having earned more in that period than in all of fiscal 1989. We further anticipate strong sales and earnings through the rest of the fiscal year."

Ruyan went on to say, "This week an agreement was finalized between Index Diagnostics of Baltimore, Md. and Meridian Diagnostics Europe s.r.l. to distribute all of Index's diagnostic products throughout Europe. Meridian Diagnostics Europe s.r.l. is a Meridian subsidiary located in Milan, Italy distributing Meridian and other manufacturers products throughout Europe.

MERIDIAN DIAGNOSTICS, INC.

FIRST QUARTER RESULTS The following table sets forth the unaudited comparative operating results of Meridian Diagnostics, Inc. for the three and nine months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989.

	Three Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$2,177,000	$1,544,000
Gross profit	1,172,000	869,000
Operating income	132,000	26,000
Earnings before income taxes	178,000	115,000
Net earnings	123,000	75,000
Earnings per common share	$.03	$.02
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,800,000	4,800,000
	Nine Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$5,894,000	$4,554,000
Gross profit	3,339,000	2,606,000
Operating income	405,000	99,000
Earnings before income taxes	595,000	340,000
Net earnings	390,000	229,000
Earnings per common share	$.08	$.05
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,800,000	4,800,000

Meridian Diagnostics, Inc. develops, manufactures and markets a variety of immunodiagnostic test kits, reagents and related products for use in physicians' offices and in hospital, commercial and research laboratories.

The company pioneered one of the most successful rapid strep tests on the market, is a leader in parasite and bacterial collection, preservation and transportation systems, and has a leading market position in fungal serology testing in clinical laboratories. The company's shares are traded through NASDAQ (Symbol: KITS).

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#90221p3671 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) and Molex Inc. (NASDAQ: MOLX) have settled a patent lawsuit through an agreement that prohibits Molex from producing retentive connector products which Du Pont says infringe its patent.

The companies also agreed that Molex may switch to one or both of two other retentive connector designs. Financial terms of the settlement were not disclosed.

Du Pont filed suit last November in U.S. District Court in Delaware. The patent covers the way an electrical connector is held in place on a printed circuit board until its terminals are soldered to the board. The invention offers manufacturing cost savings to printed circuit board users and gained rapid acceptance in the marketplace when Du Pont introduced it in its "Bergstik" and insulation displacement headers.

"We are pleased with the resolution of this action and believe that patent protection will continue to be a critical issue for the entire connector industry," said E. Norris Tolson, director of Du Pont Connector Systems. "If companies are going to make advancements in electronics, then they must be able to protect their investment in research and development. Between the time we applied for the patent and it was granted, competition began selling an identical product."

Du Pont's 1989 sales to the electronics industry exceeded $1.8 billion, making it one of the largest and most diversified suppliers of materials, components, and services to that industry. It serves the makers of integrated circuits, ceramic circuits, printed circuits, passive components, and users of connectors, subassemblies, and information storage media.

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#90221p3673 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, IL (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Chemical Waste Management, Inc.

(NYSE: CHW) and the National Solid Wastes Management Association have been granted their court appeal to overturn the Alabama law which bans the importation of hazardous waste for disposal in Alabama from numerous states. The 11th Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta ruled on Aug. 8, 1990 that Alabama's "Holley Bill" and preapproval regulations unconstitutionally interfered with interstate waste shipments.

In addition, the ruling invalidated Alabama's new regulations that banned land disposal of certain types of waste material from Superfund sites and other cleanup projects even though federal regulations legally permit such disposal.

"Chemical Waste Management is pleased that it has prevailed in this matter " said a company spokesman. "We have believed all along that Alabama's actions were inconsistent with the interstate commerce provisions of the U.S. Constitution, would frustrate the federally mandated hazardous waste management system and would impair the timely cleanup and safe disposal of wastes from Superfund sites."

The company still has pending separate litigation challenging the imposition of recently enacted taxes by Alabama on the disposal of hazardous waste at the company's Emelle, Ala. facility.

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#90221p3680 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - BP announced this morning that pump prices for gasoline at most of its locations have been rolled back 3 cents per gallon, reflecting a decline in crude oil prices.

"The reduction confirms what we have said in recent days," said James H. Ross, BP America President and Chief Executive Officer. "We are responsive to market forces on the way down as well as on the way up, and we are exercising the restraint called for by President Bush."

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#90221p3681 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARMONK, NY (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - MBIA Inc. (NYSE: MBI), holding company for Municipal Bond Investors Assurance Corporation (MBIA Corporation), today reported that second quarter net income increased 29 percent to $32.2 million, compared with $24.9 million in the second quarter of 1989. Second quarter earnings per share rose 28 percent to $.86 per share from

$.67 per share last year. For the first half of 1990 net income and earnings per share increased 26 and 25 percent, respectively, to $63.5 million or $1.70 per share, compared with $50.5 million or $1.36 per share in the same period a year ago. Book value per share at the end of June was $23.05, compared with $19.93 at June 30, 1989.

William O. Bailey, chairman and chief executive officer said, "Our strong second quarter and first half results reflect continued earnings growth and the additional positive contribution from the acquisition of Bond Investors Group (BIG). These results continue to demonstrate the company's ability to generate predictable and growing earnings. MBIA's gross premiums written for the quarter reached a record level, reflecting the increase in total municipal bond volume, the higher percentage of issues insured, MBIA's greater market share as well as strong growth in our secondary market business."

MBIA was the leading insurer of new municipal bond issues for the second quarter and first half, insuring $4.3 billion and $6.7 billion of par value, respectively. Based on data from The Bond Buyer, these amounts represent 43 percent of the industry total for the second quarter and 41 percent for the year to date. According to industry data, total new issue volume through June 30, 1990 was $60.0 billion, 6 percent ahead of the total for the first half of 1989. The insured portion of the market increased to 27 percent, compared with last year's 24 percent.

Gross premiums written rose 62 percent for the quarter to $59.3 million, compared with $36.5 million a year ago. For the first six months of the year, gross premiums totalled $102.3 million, up 42 percent from $72.2 million in 1989.

Premiums earned during the second quarter were $26.6 million, a 17 percent increase over 1989. This included $3.4 million from refundings, compared to $4.8 million the prior year. For the year to date, premiums earned rose 20 percent to $53.2 million, and include $6.9 million from refundings versus $9.5 million last year. The growth in premiums earned reflect the impact of the acquired BIG unearned premium reserve.

Net investment income for the quarter increased 48 percent to $28.6 million from $19.3 million a year ago and grew to $55.7 million for the first half of 1990 compared with $38.6 million in 1989. The increase in net investment income is primarily due to the acquired BIG investment portfolio and additions to investments from operating cash flow. At June 30, 1990, MBIA's investment portfolio totalled $1.6 billion and consisted mainly of intermediate-term bonds. This amount includes approximately $52 million in net proceeds from the June sale of 1.5 million shares of common stock by the company as part of its recent public offering.

Revenues for the second quarter of 1990 were $55.7 million, compared with

$42.2 million in the second quarter of 1989. For the first six months of 1990, revenues totalled $110.3 million, compared with $83.2 million in last year's first half. Total revenues are the sum of earned premiums and investment and other income.

Expenses for the second quarter and first half were $13.6 million and $27.6 million, respectively, compared with $9.0 million and $16.6 million last year. The primary reasons for these increases were interest expense and goodwill amortization arising from the BIG acquisition.

Computed on a statutory basis, MBIA Corporation's unearned premium reserve as of June 30, 1990 was $879.6 million, and its capital base (consisting of capital, surplus and contingency reserve) was $773.4 million, for an aggregate $1.6 billion of policyholders' reserves compared with $1.2 billion a year ago.

MBIA Inc., through its wholly owned subsidiary, MBIA Corporation, is a leading insurer of municipal bonds, including new issues and bonds traded in the secondary market. MBIA is rated Triple-A by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and by Standard & Poor's Corporation and municipal bonds insured by MBIA receive these ratings.

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#90221p3683 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

TRAVERSE CITY, MI (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company's modular engine program represents a new way of designing and building engines, according to David F. Hagen, general manager - Engine Division, Ford North American Automotive Operations.

In remarks delivered at the University of Michigan's 1990 Management Briefing Seminar here, Hagen said modular engine programs will be key to Ford's powertrain strategy in the 1990s and beyond, contributing to Ford's goal of becoming the lowest-cost producer of the highest-quality products with the best value in North America.

"We no longer have to dedicate a single line to a single engine as we have in the past. Instead, an entire family of engines can be built on a single assembly line in several configurations and different displacements but with common parts," he said.

Hagen said that in today's competitive environment, producing high-quality, world-class engines will be more critical than ever. "We like to think that if you make quality the number one priority, everything else takes care of itself," Hagen said in describing Ford Engine Division's quality initiatives which involve employees at all plant locations.

Hagen pointed out that the first member of this new engine family, an overhead cam 4.6-liter V-8, is being produced at Ford's new $780 million Romeo, Mich., Engine Plant and will be in the 1991 Lincoln Town Car this fall. Others of these engines, including a 32-valve high output V-8, will follow in the future, he added.

According to Hagen, a common approach is used to design a family of engines with similar combustion chambers, pistons and valvetrains so that components can be interchanged easily. Modular design also calls for the sharing of a number of similar components within engine families, such as cylinder blocks, aluminum cylinder heads, camshafts, water and oil pumps and connecting rods.

"By concentrating our efforts on these critical components, we can clone design expertise," he said. "Once we prove out a design, all our efforts can be focused on building a high-quality engine."

Hagen said the Romeo Engine Plant is as impressive as the engines themselves. Using a team-oriented labor agreement, the men and women at Romeo have set themselves the goal to be the "best engine builders in the world," he said, "and, with 100,000 hours of training under their belts, employees are responsible for making sure that not a single engine leaves the plant with a defect."

Romeo has the flexibility to produce a wide range of different V-8's off the same assembly line. New V-8 variations will cost about $60 million to develop compared to about $500 million for a typical new engine program.

Hagen estimated the new family of engines will share about 350 parts -- or 75 percent of the engine, adding that the new process has netted a 25-percent reduction in the number of parts used in the engine.

"That's a lot of parts as Romeo prepares to produce over a half a million engines annually," he said. Romeo has fewer suppliers as well with just 85 major material suppliers compared with 300 to 400 at typical engine plants.

He said Ford's modular approach offers flexibility and savings over more conventional technology. "Modular engines will be advantageous for several reasons," Hagen said "allowing for quicker response to changing market conditions, reduced engine development costs, shorter product development cycles, while improving overall quality and reliability."

Hagen acknowledged that even before last week's surprise developments in the Middle East, the industry faced tough challenges at home as Congress debated new CAFE and Clean Air legislation. Hagen cited the CAFE bill proposed by Senator Bryan, for example, as completely outside any

full-line manufacturer's capabilities -- domestic or foreign.

"We simply see no way to have a 40-45 mile-per-gallon fleet by the turn of the century, that is unless we are to have almost all compact and subcompact vehicles." Hagen added that customers are concerned about fuel economy, but they care more about their car's quality and the performance of their powertrain.

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#90221p3687 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - A series of new, compact photography guides written for beginning and intermediate photographers is now available from Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK).

The No Nonsense Photography Guides, published by Longmeadow Press, include six soft-cover books that answer the most commonly asked questions about photography. The series includes Photographing People, Composing Photographs, Using Existing Light, Using Creative Techniques, Photographing Your Vacation, and Using Accessory Equipment.

Each 8 1/4-inch x 5 1/4-inch guide can be easily carried in a purse, glove compartment, or camera case for use as a convenient reference. The easy-to-understand text gives a variety of situations and techniques for improved picture-taking.

Each 80-page guide contains informative charts, illustrations, and instructive color photographs. Every guide also contains a glossary of terms, a comprehensive index and helpful recommendations for films, lenses filters and other tools to add creativity to readers' photos.

Suggested retail price for the No Nonsense Photography Guides is $5.95 for each.

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#90221p3688 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

VINELAND, NJ (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - IGI Inc. (AMEX: IG) today reported record net sales of $5,145,317 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, up 9.3 percent from $4,706,800 for the second quarter 1989.

Net income for the quarter was $81,026, or 1 cent per share, vs. $89,757, or 1 cent a share, in 1989.

For the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, net income was $130,754, or 2 cents per share, vs. $125,238, or 2 cents per share in 1989. Revenue for the period increased 9 percent from $9,333,185 to $10,170,252.

IGI Inc. is a diversified profitable biotechnology company. Its majority-owned subsidiary Micro Vesicular Systems Inc. has created novel patented technologies for lipid vesicle ("Novasome" TM) microencapsulation (often called "liposomes") and biodegradable superabsorbents ("Ultrasponge" TM). These are being developed for a wide variety of commercial applications.

IGI's Vineland Laboratories, EVSCO Pharmaceuticals and Tomlyn Products divisions produce and sell poultry vaccines, small animal pharmaceuticals and pet care products worldwide.

IGI INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
(Consolidated; unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months		Six months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$5,145,317	$4,706,800	$10,170,252	$9,333,185
Cost of sales	2,450,685	2,208,086	4,833,009	4,438,295
Gross profit	2,694,632	2,498,714	5,337,243	4,894,890
Selling, general and administrative expenses	2,073,776	1,912,931	4,129,781	3,868,602
Research and development expenses, net	285,516	253,830	585,622	476,620
Operating profit	335,340	331,953	621,840	549,668
Interest expense, net	202,238	182,177	393,760	339,233
Other expense, net	3,076	3,019	15,326	5,197
Income before provision for income taxes	130,026	146,757	212,754	205,238
Provision for income taxes	49,000	57,000	82,000	80,000
Net income	81,026	89,757	130,754	125,238
Net income per common and common equivalent share:	$.01	$.01	$.02	$.02
Average number of common and equivalent shares	8,314,638	8,454,996	8,281,128	8,317,216

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#90221p3689 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - At a reconvened meeting of the shareholders of National Intergroup, Inc. (NYSE: NII) here today, it was reported that holders of approximately 11.1 million shares of common stock of the corporation, representing approximately 63 percent of the 17.6 million shares voted, have approved the election of Centaur Partners IV's director nominees.

Consequently, Joseph L. Hudson Jr., J. Clayburn LaForce and Howard M. Love will step down from the board, effective immediately. In addition, Centaur's proposals relating to confidential voting, NII's Rights Offering Plan, and compensation agreements with respect to directors, officers and employees of NII have also been approved. Votes cast in favor of Centaur's proposals were approximately 12.0, 12.1 and 11.0 million shares, respectively. NII's proposal to change the name of the corporation to FoxMeyer Corp. received more than 50 percent of the shares voted, but failed to achieve the two-third majority necessary to ratify the proposal.

Newly elected to the board of directors of NII for a three-year term are Melvyn J. Estrin, chairman of the board of Human Service Group, Inc., a private financial investment and management services firm; William G. Tull former president of American Security Bank, N.A., a commercial bank; and Robert J. Slater, former vice chairman of Crane Co., a conglomerate involved in distribution, manufacturing, building products and aerospace.

The preliminary report on the balloting was made by representatives of The Corporation Trust Co. who were appointed independent inspectors at the recessed shareholder meeting on July 25 to verify, tabulate and count all ballots. The final report is subject to receipt of official verification by The Corporation Trust Co.

A spokesperson for the company said, "While we are disappointed with the vote outcome, we plan to continue to implement the final steps of our restructuring program, focusing our resources on our wholesale pharmaceutical distribution business. We remain convinced that the continued growth and development of FoxMeyer Drug Co. is in the best interests of all of our shareholders."

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#90221p3691 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - JCPenney stores and catalog sales for the four weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990 increased 3.2 percent to $1,005 million from $974 million in the comparable period a year earlier. On a comparative store basis, that is stores open at least a year, sales rose 2.0 percent.

Commenting on July results, William R. Howell, chairman of the board, said

that men's merchandise, most notably sportswear and athletic footwear, and children's apparel produced the largest sales gains. Increases were also recorded for women's casual sportswear and dresses. Offsetting these gains he added, was a softness in home furnishings.

For the company's fiscal 13 weeks ended July 28, 1990, sales of JCPenney stores and catalog increased 3.5 percent to $3,317 million from $3,205 million in 1989. On a comparative store basis, sales were up 2.2 percent. For the Company's fiscal 26 weeks ended July 28, 1990, sales of JCPenney stores and catalog increased 4.4 percent to $6,584 million from $6,309 million in 1989. On a comparative store basis, sales were up 3.3 percent.

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#90221p3692 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MURRAY HILL, NJ (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - BOC Health Care, Inc. today announced the expansion of its Ohmeda anesthesia and patient monitoring business with the acquisitions of Albion Instruments and Raman Technology, Inc.

The merger agreements, signed June 28, were finalized July 31 following approval of the transactions by the respective shareholders of Albion and Raman.

Albion, which was purchased for $22 million, is a Salt Lake City company engaged in the development of unique molecular light scattering technology for medical applications. The technology is utilized in the manufacture of the RASCAL(R) anesthesia and respiratory gas analyzer, which provides anesthesiologists with comprehensive monitoring of all respiratory gases and anesthetic agents. The product's next generation, the RASCAL II, will be introduced later this year.

Raman, a Delaware corporation, is exclusively licensed by Albion to develop industrial applications of the patented scattering spectroscopy technology used in the RASCAL. Raman was purchased for $1.5 million by BOC Health Care.

"The continued growth and expansion of our health care business will be achieved through organic growth, licensing agreements and through acquisitions," said BOC Health Care President and CEO Desmond H. O'Connell Jr. "We are very pleased with these new additions and believe they will diversify and strengthen our current critical care equipment product line and offer our customers the latest in advanced monitoring technology."

While Albion and Raman remain in Salt Lake City, they become part of Ohmeda monitoring systems based in Louisville, Colo. Ohmeda, a division

of BOC Health Care, specializes in anesthesia systems, patient monitoring, critical care and medical engineering and communication systems.

BOC Health Care, Inc., through its companies, manufactures and markets a variety of critical care products and services worldwide. Each BOC Health Care business -- Anaquest, Glasrock Home Health Care, Ohmeda, and Viggo-Spectramed -- is a market leader, and collectively they generate revenues of $1 billion annually. BOC Health Care is part of the BOC Group.

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#90221p3696 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDDLEFIELD, CT (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Zygo Corporation (NASDAQ: ZIGO) today reported sales of $7,775,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, an increase of $1,601,000 from the comparable prior-year period. Company Chief Executive Officer Paul F. Forman reported that the company had net earnings of $469,000, or $.19 per share, vs. net earnings of $147,000, or $.06 per share, for the three months ended June 30, 1989.

Net sales for the year ended June 30, 1990, were $26,461,000, an increase of $2,618,000 from the prior year. The company had net earnings of $935,000, or $.37 per share, vs. a net loss of $450,000, or an $.18 per share loss, for the year ended June 30, 1989.

The net earnings improvement in both periods of fiscal year 1990 reflects improved gross margins and higher sales. This improvement continues to reflect the results of the company's ongoing efforts to improve profitability while, at the same time, continuing to make investments for the future.

Zygo Corporation designs, develops, manufactures, and markets high-performance, laser-based, non-contact electro-optical measuring instruments and accessories and manufactures precision optical components. The firm is based in Middlefield.

ZYGO CORPORATION

(Thousands, except per-share amounts)

Periods ended	Three months		Year	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$7,775	$6,174	$26,461	$23,843
Net earnings (loss)	469	147	935	(40)
Net earnings (loss) per share	$.19	$.06	$.37	$(.18)
Wtd. avg. com. shrs. & dilutive equiv. outstdg.	2,505	2,486	2,520	2,461

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COLUMBIA, MD (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Martin B. Sherwin, an executive vice president of W. R. Grace & Co.'s (NYSE: GRA) Research Division, headquartered here, has been elected a Fellow of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE). He was honored for his expertise in process design and development.

Dr. Sherwin has spearheaded Grace's efforts in the area of separation technology. In addition to his responsibilities at the Research Division, he has acted as general manager of Grace Membrane Systems, a successful new startup in this area.

Grace's membrane separation technology is primarily designed to remove unwanted gas contaminants from natural gas streams. It also recovers hydrogen from a variety of petroleum and petrochemical processes.

The recipient of the first Ph.D. awarded in engineering by City College of New York, Dr. Sherwin joined W. R. Grace & Co. in 1980 as director, engineering research. Since that time he has served as vice president, engineering research and was named to his present position at the Research Center in 1987. Prior to joining Grace he served with Chem Systems Inc., Halcon International, Inc. and Scientific Design Co.

A resident of Potomac, Maryland, Dr. Sherwin has authored 15 publications and holds over 26 patents.

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#90221p3702 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Advanced Magnetics, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADMG) announced today that it has received a $289,000 grant from the National Institute of Health (NIH) for magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) contrast agent research. The Small Business Innovation Research grant was awarded (on a competitive basis) for the research and development of a liver cell specific particulate MRI contrast agent and follows an earlier NIH grant for this project.

Dr. Lee Josephson, vice president of research at Advanced Magnetics, said, "The NIH grant recognizes our previous work and ensures that Advanced Magnetics will remain at the forefront of liver MRI contrast agent development."

Advanced Magnetics, using its proprietary magnetic particle technology, has developed contrast agents for use in magnetic resonance imaging of the liver, gastrointestinal (GI) tract and the lymphatic system. Phase III human clinical trials have been completed for the GI agent and the company is preparing its New Drug Application (NDA) for filing with the FDA. The company also expects to resume clinical trials for Feridex, its liver agent, in the near future.

Advanced Magnetics is a world leader in the application of colloidal magnetic materials to healthcare. The company is dedicated to the development and manufacture of diagnostic pharmaceuticals for use with magnetic resonance imaging as well as clinical and research products for in vitro testing.

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#90221p3703 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OH (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Daniel J. Sullivan, vice president and group executive of Roadway Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROAD) announced today that J. Dawson Cunningham has been elected vice president-finance and administration of Roadway Express, the company's principal operating subsidiary, effective Aug. 12.

Cunningham, 43, joined Roadway Services in 1985 as assistant to the vice president and controller. He was elected assistant controller in 1986 and vice president and controller in 1987. He previously was a partner with the accounting firm of Ernst and Young.

Roy E. Griggs has been elected vice president and controller of Roadway Services, replacing Cunningham.

Griggs, 53, has served as assistant controller since 1987. He joined Roadway in 1972 as a financial analyst. He was promoted to director of cash management in 1979. He subsequently served as assistant to the treasurer during 1985 and was elected assistant treasurer in 1986.

Cunningham replaces Michael W. Wickham who succeeded J.T. Topping as president of Roadway Express, effective July 15. Topping was promoted to vice chairman of the parent company, a newly created position.

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#90221p3705 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Jos. A. Bank Clothiers, Inc. has named Timothy F. Finley president and chief executive officer of the company.

Finley has also been elected to the board of directors of the company. Finley, 47, brings a broad business background with over 26 years experience in a variety of consumer product managerial positions. Most recently he served as chief operating officer of Castleberry Foods and prior to that held positions as president of Baddour, Inc., a 200-store, mid-South chain, and executive vice president of Cannon Mills.

Jos. A. Bank is a leading manufacturer and retailer of classic men's and women's apparel. Bank currently operates 40 stores in 28 markets, as well as an international catalog business. Bank's corporate headquarters and the three facilities that make its own tailored clothing are located in the Baltimore metropolitan area. Bank employs over 1,700 people nationally.

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MONTVALE, NJ (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - North American Ventures, Inc. (NASDAQ: NAVI) announced today its results of operations for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales of NAVI from the operations of its wholly owned subsidiary, Butler Service Group, Inc., were $80.3 million for the second quarter, a 7 percent increase over the second quarter 1989 net sales of $75.2 million. Second quarter income from continuing operations and net income were $947,000 or $.037 per share. These results compare with a loss from continuing operations in the second quarter 1989 of $1,524,000, or ($.058) per share. The second quarter 1989 loss included $2,260,000 of non-recurring charges.

Net sales for the six months ended June 30, 1990 were $163.5 million, a 15 percent increase over the $142.5 million sales for the first six months of 1989. Income from continuing operations and net income for the first six months of 1990 were $1,812,000, or 7 cents per share, compared with a loss from continuing operations for the first six months of 1989 of $1,889,000, or ($.072) per share.

The improvement in net sales and income from continuing operations was primarily the result of higher billing rates. Billable hours for the first six months of 1990 were fairly constant with the 1989 comparable

period and down slightly in the second quarter 1990 vs. the second quarter 1989. Income from continuing operations and net income also benefited from significantly lower interest charges, as a result of lower debt and lower interests rates in 1990 compared with 1989.

1989 net income, which included both continuing and discontinued operations, was $3,990,000, or $.152 per share, for the 1989 second quarter, and $2,225,000 or $.085 per share, for the first six months. These 1989 results were heavily affected by income from discontinued operations of $5,514,000 and $4,114,000, respectively, primarily related to a $6,556,000 reversal of the previously expected loss on disposal of Butler Service Group booked in 1988. In 1990, there were no discontinued operations.

Edward M. Kopko, chairman of the board and president of NAVI, stated, "The second quarter performance was consistent with the plans established by management. Higher billing rates and a better mix of business enabled the company to achieve its earnings goal for the first six months even though certain industries we serve have been affected by the slowing economy."

Butler Service Group, Inc. is the second-largest contract technical services company in the United States. It is principally engaged in the location, recruitment and hiring of a wide variety of technical personnel and skilled engineers to provide services, on a temporary basis, to industrial corporations and other organizations throughout the U.S. and abroad.

NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES, INC.
Summary of Operations
(in thousands except share and per share data)
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net sales	$80,280	$75,211
Cost of services sold	74,755	70,609
Income (loss) from operations	1,400	(1,186)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	947	(1,524)
Income from discontinued operations	---	5,514
Net income	947	3,990
Income (loss) per share:		
Continuing operations	$.037	$(.058)
Discontinued operations	---	.210
Net income	.037	.152
Average shares outstanding	25,783,259	26,169,447

	Six months ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net sales	$163,475	$142,502
Cost of services sold	152,848	133,963
Income (loss) from operations	2,784	(715)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	1,812	(1,889)
Income from discontinued operations	---	4,114
Net income	1,812	2,225
Income (loss) per share:		
Continuing operations	$.070	$(.072)
Discontinued operations	---	.157
Net income	.070	.085
Average shares outstanding	26,028,715	26,169,447

SELECTED BALANCE SHEET INFORMATION
(in thousands except share and per share data)

	6/30/90 (Unaudited)	12/31/89
Total current assets	$59,456	$59,015
Total assets	89,664	89,892
Total current liabilities	28,961	29,130
Total liabilities	48,291	49,655
Shareholders' equity	41,373	40,237
Book value per share	$1.61	$1.52
Issued & outstanding shares	25,672,294	26,546,894

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#90221p3707 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAURENCE HARBOR, NJ (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Convergent Solutions, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSOL), a company primarily engaged in developing and marketing software products, reported that revenues of the company were $1,379,839 for the three months ended June 30, 1990, a decrease of 3.4 percent compared with the same period in the prior year. The company had a net loss of $32,124 ($.01 per share) for the three months ended June 30, 1990, compared with net income of $220,888 ($.04 per share) for the same period in the prior year.

Revenues of the company for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 were $4,145,212, an increase of 3.6 percent compared with the same period in the prior year. Net income was $69,314 ($.01 per share) for the nine months ended June 30, 1990, compared with $791,967 ($.14 per share) for the same period in the prior year. Included in net income for the nine

months ended June 30, 1989 is a tax "catch-up" adjustment of $191,000 ($.02 per share).

CONVERGENT SOLUTIONS, INC.

CONDENSED EARNINGS SUMMARY (UNAUDITED)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,379,839	$1,428,324	$4,145,212	$3,999,532
Expenses	1,411,625	1,124,873	4,027,504	3,131,869
Income (loss) before income taxes & cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(31,786)	303,451	117,708	867,663
Income taxes	338	82,563	48,394	266,696
Income before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(32,124)	220,888	69,314	600,967
Cumulative tax catch up adjustment	--	--	--	191,000
Net income	32,124	220,888	69,314	791,967
Net income per share: Net income (loss) before cumulative catch-up adjustment	($.01)	$.04	$.01	$.12
Cumulative tax catch-up adjustment	--	--	--	.02
Net income	($.01)	$.04	$.01	$.14
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	5,389,025	5,940,566	5,389,025	6,437,847

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET SUMMARY

	June 30, 1990 (Unaudited)	Sept. 30, 1989
Assets		
Current assets	$12,115,941	$13,084,835
Equipment & leasehold improvements, net	732,614	619,582
Other assets	5,519,585	4,531,603
Total Assets	$18,368,140	$18,236,020
Liabilities & Shareholders' Equity		
Current liabilities	$ 1,810,768	1,793,968
Deferred income taxes	2,254,975	2,228,969
Total	4,065,743	4,022,937
Shareholders' equity: Preferred stock, $.01 par; authorized 5,000,000 shares: none issued. Common stock, $.01 par; authorized 20,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding 5,379,025 shares at Sept. 30, 1989 and 5,389,025 shares		

at June 30, 1990	53,890	53,790
Capital in excess of par	8,067,468	8,047,568
Retained earnings	6,181,039	6,111,725
Total	14,302,397	14,213,083
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	$18,368,140	$18,236,020

CONTACT: Ralph Reda, president of Convergent Solutions, 201-290-0090.

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LEICESTER, NY (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas N. Hendrickson, president and chief executive officer of CPAC, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CPAK), today announced that the board of directors had declared a dividend of $0.06 per share for the second consecutive quarter. Hendrickson stated that the dividend will be paid on Nov. 2, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 28, 1990.

CPAC, Inc., is a manufacturer of chemicals and silver recovery/ pollution control equipment for the worldwide imaging market.

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#90221p3709 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LUMBERTON, N.C. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Longtime Lumberton banker Rod Bullard, who entered banking 23 years ago as a collector, has been named Southeast regional executive officer for Southern National (NASDAQ-NMS: SNAT), President Gary Carlton of the North Carolina bank announced today.

Bullard, who will assume his new post Nov. 1, replaces 43-year banking veteran Wayne Hughes, who announced his retirement earlier this year in his regional headquarters of Whiteville.

Headquarters for the Southeast Region will transfer to Lumberton where Bullard will direct the operations of 23 branch offices. Lumberton, also the site for corporate headquarters, is one of 12 cities and towns assigned to the Southeast Region, which stretches as far north as Wilson to as far south as Wilmington.

"Rod has consistently been among our top producers in the state," Carlton said. "He has a tremendous ability to manage people. That's one of the key characteristics we look for in choosing a regional executive."

A native of Whiteville, Bullard, 43, got his start in banking in 1967 at United Carolina Bank where he worked in his hometown as a collector. Two

years later, Bullard joined Southern National in Lumberton and worked as an installment loan officer until his promotion to installment loan manager.

Bullard worked his way through the ranks, as collector, installment loan officer, installment loan manager, commercial loan officer, branch administrator, and finally to his present position as city executive officer, a post he has held since 1981. He was promoted to senior vice president in 1983.

"Southern National has been extremely good to me," Bullard said. "I can honestly say I enjoy my work. Banking is a one-on-one business and I've met many fine people here. I'm thankful that with my new responsibilities, I'll be able to remain in Lumberton."

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#90221p3711 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

WARRINGTON, PA. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - American Travellers Corp. (NASDAQ: ATVC) today announced its financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Total revenues increased 69.9 percent to $18,532,000 from $10,908,000 in the corresponding quarter ending June 30 of last year. Net investment income increased 23.6 percent to $953,000 from $771,000. Net income increased to $2,785,000 from $1,473,000 or 89.2 percent.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, total revenues increased 77.6 percent to $37,151,000 from $20,926,000. Net investment income increased to $2,037,000 from $1,512,,000, an increase of 34.7 percent. Net income rose to $5,340,000 from $2,672,000, representing an increase of 99.9 percent. Earnings per share has increased 76.9 percent from $.20 to $.36 per share for the second quarter ending June 30, 1990, as compared to the corresponding quarter in 1989. For the six months ending June 30, 1990, as compared to the six months ending June 30, 1989, earnings per share has increased from $.37 to $.70 per share, an increase of 86.9 percent.

According to American Travellers' Chairman of the Board John A. Powell, these dramatic increases can be attributed to the company's expansion and marketing efforts, greater geographic penetration and introduction of new products. During the first half of 1990, the company wrote premium in 37 states as compared to only 30 states in the first half of 1989.

American Travellers Corp. is engaged through its subsidiaries in the underwriting and sale of individual supplemental accident and health insurance policies primarily covering long-term care (skilled,

intermediate and custodial nursing home care). The company also offers hospital care and Medicare supplement policies. The company, which has been admitted to 35 states plus the District of Columbia and the U.S. Virgin Islands, and has pending license applications in five additional states.

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#90221p3713 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, CA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Ross Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ROST) today reported sales of $60 million for the four week period ended Aug. 4, 1990, a 13 percent increase above the $53 million in sales for the four weeks ended Aug. 5, 1989. Comparable store sales for the same period were even with the prior year.

Second quarter sales for the 13 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990 were $193 million a 10 percent increase above $175 million in sales for the 13 weeks ended Aug. 5, 1989. Comparable store sales for the same period were even with the prior year.

For the six months through Aug. 4, 1990, sales were $364 million, an 8 percent increase above the $336 million in sales for the prior year's comparable period ended Aug. 5, 1989. Comparable store sales for the six month period were down 3 percent on a day-for-day basis from last year.

Ross Stores Inc. operates a national chain of off-price retail stores offering first quality, in-season branded apparel and apparel- related merchandise for the entire family. The company had 169 stores in operation at Aug. 4, 1990, compared to 146 stores at the end of the same period last year.

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#90221p3715 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Piedmont Management Company Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PMAN) today reported earnings of $0.42 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1990. This compares with earnings of $0.85 per share for the 1989 period. For the first half of 1990, earnings were $0.71 per share compared to $1.25 for the six months ended June 30, 1989. Details follow:

-- RECO's underwriting results, paralleling the results of the reinsurance industry in general, continued to decline in comparison with prior year periods. The combined ratio for the second quarter of 1990, computed on a

generally accepted accounting principles basis, was 114.5 percent, compared to 110.5 percent in the prior year. Although loss activity declined in relation to the first quarter of 1990 as well as prior year periods, premium volume in virtually all classes of business remains flat or lower mainly due to higher retentions by primary companies and little, if any, increase in rates. In addition, the company has maintained a strategy designed to reduce its casualty reinsurance volume. For the six months of 1990, the combined ratio climbed to 122.0 percent in comparison with 110.8 percent for the six months of 1989, and 119.3 percent for the full year 1989.

Pre-tax net investment income increased 11 percent, to $13.1 million, when comparing the semi-annual periods of 1990 and 1989. For the quarter, pre-tax net investment income was $5.6 million, a 6 percent reduction compared to 1989. The 1990 quarter includes $1.1 million in foreign exchange losses recorded by RECO's London subsidiary.

-- Investment advisory pre-tax income was $208,000 in the second quarter of 1990, an 11 percent increase over the prior year period, but down 40 percent in relation to the first quarter of 1990. New business targets fell behind schedule and growth in assets under management slowed down during the second quarter. For the six months, investment advisory pre-tax income doubled in relation to the semi-annual period for 1989.

-- Consolidated assets rose to $437.8 million on June 30, 1990, and stockholders' equity was $111.6 million. Book value per share was $21.04 as of June 30, 1990, relatively unchanged from the end of 1989.

Piedmont Management Company Inc. is a financial services company whose principal subsidiaries include The Reinsurance Corporation of New York (RECO), a property and casualty reinsurer, and Lexington Management Corporation, an investment advisory and mutual fund distribution company.

PIEDMONT MANAGEMENT COMPANY INC.
(Unaudited)

Three months ended June 30	1990	1989
REINSURANCE OPERATIONS:		
Net premiums earned	$20,635,500	$25,190,309
Net investment income	5,645,320	5,973,776
Total revenues	26,280,820	31,164,085
Losses and loss adjustment expenses	17,130,115	20,937,075
Acquisition and other expenses	6,503,785	6,886,215
Total expenses	23,633,900	27,823,290
Realized capital gains (losses)	(208,405)	2,419,353
Reinsurance operating income	2,438,515	5,760,148
INVESTMENT ADVISORY OPERATIONS:		
Fees earned and other income	4,041,360	3,776,613
Service and marketing costs	3,833,254	3,588,402

Investment advisory operating income	208,106	188,211
PARENT COMPANY:		
Investment and other income	201,676	271,842
Realized capital gains (losses)	598	--
Interest expense	418,253	512,366
Other corporate expenses	627,375	715,739
Parent company operating loss	(843,354)	(956,263)
Equity in net earnings of investees	511,434	781,696
Provision for taxes on operations	43,426	1,218,332
Net income	$ 2,271,275	$ 4,555,460
Net income per share	$.42	$.85
Six months ended June 30	1990	1989
REINSURANCE OPERATIONS:		
Net premiums earned	$41,337,961	$49,583,207
Net investment income	13,076,880	11,770,766
Total revenues	54,414,841	61,353,973
Losses and loss adjustment expenses	37,352,503	40,026,496
Acquisition and other expenses	13,087,543	14,913,091
Total expenses	50,440,046	54,939,587
Realized capital gains (losses)	466,313	2,037,228
Reinsurance operating income	4,441,108	8,451,614
INVESTMENT ADVISORY OPERATIONS:		
Fees earned and other income	8,152,527	7,511,574
Service and marketing costs	7,598,098	7,241,066
Investment advisory operating income	554,429	270,508
PARENT COMPANY:		
Investment and other income	397,286	583,008
Realized capital gains (losses)	(60,090)	--
Interest expense	827,675	1,020,611
Other corporate expenses	1,151,289	1,221,823
Parent company operating loss	(1,641,768)	(1,659,426)
Equity in net earnings of investees	1,119,298	1,400,736
Provision for taxes on operations	643,591	1,788,423
Net income	$ 3,829,476	$ 6,675,009
Net income per share	$.71	$1.25

CONTACT: Peter Palenzona of Piedmont Management, 212-363-4650.

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HAIFA, ISRAEL (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Elbit Computers Ltd. (NASDAQ: ELBTF) an Israel-based manufacturer of computer systems and products for military and commercial applications and a subsidiary of Elron Electronic Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: ELRNF), today announced its unaudited consolidated financial results for the second fiscal quarter and the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

Consolidated revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $87,922,000 as compared with $38,493,000 for the parallel quarter last year. Net income for the quarter was $5,341,000, or $0.35 per share, as compared with $2,938,000, or $0.21 per share, for the corresponding quarter in 1989.

On a year-to-date basis, consolidated revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990 totalled $172,894,000, as compared with $75,041,000 for the parallel period last year. Net income for this six-month period was $10,409,000 or $0.70 per share, as compared with net income of $5,705,000, or $0.41 per share, in the corresponding period of 1989.

The company's board of directors declared a second quarter dividend of 6 cents per Ordinary Share, payable on Sept. 17, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 26, 1990. Under Israeli law, the company is required to withhold taxes at a rate currently estimated to be 15.2 percent, which a U.S. taxpayer may credit against U.S. taxes due in respect of the dividend.

Of the $173 million in consolidated revenues for the first half of the year, $74.5 million, were derived from Elscint Ltd. (NYSE: ELT), the company's medical diagnostic imaging subsidiary. Elscint's net income in the period under review amounted to $5.1 million, which contributed approximately $3.2 million to Elbit's net income in this six-month period.

Revenues deriving from Elbit's traditional business increased substantially in this six month period, and reached $98 million, as compared with $75 million in the corresponding period of 1989. This business yielded a net income of $7.2 million in the period under review, up from $5.7 million in the parallel period of 1989. Over 80 percent of consolidated revenues in the period under review derived from export and international sales. Approximately 50 percent of consolidated revenues represent U.S.-related business.

Revenues deriving from non-defense activities amounted to 55 percent of revenues, compared with 23 percent in fiscal 1989. This change should serve to offset the effect of decreasing defense expenditures worldwide.

The company's backlog of orders at June 30, 1990 was approximately $393 million, as compared with $335 million at June 30, 1989. The backlog figure for 1990 includes orders for sales of Elscint systems. Approximately 80 percent of such backlog represents orders deriving from outside Israel, mainly from the U.S.

Elbit Computers Ltd. designs, develops, manufactures, markets and services a wide range of advanced, often combat-proven electronic products and systems for airborne, shipboard and ground military applications. Through its Elscint Ltd. subsidiary, Elbit is engaged in the design, manufacture, distribution and servicing of computer-based medical diagnostic imaging

systems. Through other subsidiaries, it provides a variety of commercial products and services, as well as specialized infrared imaging equipment.

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#90221p3724 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The May Department Stores Company (NYSE: MA) today reported preliminary sales from continuing operations of $606.8 million for the four-week period ended Aug. 4, an increase of 9.8 percent from sales of $552.7 million reported during the similar period last year.

Sales through the first six months of fiscal 1990 were $4.38 billion, up 9.8 percent from sales of $3.99 billion reported in the same period a year ago.

Department store sales for July were $516.2 million, an increase of 9.8 percent, or $45.9 million, from last year. Sales for Volume Shoe totaled $90.6 million, up 9.9 percent or $8.2 million. Sales were as follows:

JULY SALES (Millions)

	1990	1989	Percent Increase	Store-for-Store(A) Pct. Increase
Department stores	$516.2	$470.3	9.8	4.7
Volume Shoe	90.6	82.4	9.9	2.6
Total	606.8	552.7	9.8	4.4

YEAR-TO-DATE SALES (Millions)

	1990	1989	Percent Increase	Store-for-Store(A) Pct. Increase
Department stores	$3,693.3	$3,380.4	9.3	4.9
Volume Shoe	685.9	608.1	12.8	5.7
Total	4,379.2	3,988.5	9.8	5.0

(A) - Store-for-store sales represent sales of those stores open during both years.

The company's 1989 fiscal year included 53 weeks and, based on the 4-5-4 reporting calendar, the July 1990 period began one week later than the July 1989 period. On an adjusted basis aligning the 1989 calendar to 1990, sales would have been:

CALENDAR-ADJUSTED JULY SALES (millions)

	1990	1989	Percent Increase	Store-for-Store Pct. Inc/(Dec)
Department stores	$516.2	$493.6	4.6	(0.2)

Volume Shoe	90.6	81.6	11.0	4.1
Total	606.8	575.2	5.5	0.4

During July, May opened four department stores and 27 net new Payless ShoeSource stores. Lord & Taylor opened department stores at Monmouth Mall in Eatontown, N.J., Quakerbridge Mall in Trenton, N.J., and Freehold Raceway Mall in Freehold, N.J., and L.S. Ayres opened a department store at Castleton Square Mall in Indianapolis.

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#90221p3726 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Public Citizen issued the following: A star Notre Dame running back today sued the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) over eligibility rules that bar him from playing football in his final season this year.

Braxton Lee Banks filed the class action suit in federal district court in South Bend, Ind., challenging NCAA rules that prohibit football players from playing intercollegiate football once they have entered their names into professional football's annual draft.

The suit also names Notre Dame as a defendant so that the court will order the university to allow Banks to return to school and play football if the NCAA rules are overturned.

"I very much want to continue my education, complete my fourth year of eligibility at Note Dame, and play professional football, but none of these things is likely to happen unless the NCAA restores my eligibility," said Banks.

"I still believe that I am an amateur," Banks added, despite having participated in the April 1990 National Football League draft. Banks, along with 37 other players with remaining NCAA eligibility, took part in the draft, and 20, including Banks, were not selected.

Two NCAA rules are being challenged in the case. Rule 12.2.4 automatically excludes athletes who place their names in a professional sports draft, even if they are not chosen or do not sign a professional contract. Rule 12.3 makes players ineligible if they agree to retain an agent, even if that agent is a friend or family member and even if they receive nothing of value from the agent.

"We do not quarrel with the importance of keeping amateur and professional sports apart," said Alan Morrison, the lead attorney for Banks. Morrison is director of the Public Citizen Litigation Group, a public interest

advocacy group that he founded with Ralph Nader.

"However, the NCAA rules in question plainly violate U.S. antitrust laws, while serving no legitimate purpose of the NCAA. As a result of these rules, talented college athletes must either abandon crucial opportunities to explore pro-sports options or lose all of their future eligibility for intercollegiate football," said Morrison.

The lawsuit points out that most college athletes find it very difficult to evaluate their own potential in professional sports, yet are prohibited from contacting agents who can provide such athletes with information about their options.

Football practice at Notre Dame begins on Aug. 17 and the first game is scheduled for Sept. 15. Speedy court action is required in order to guarantee Banks' right to play football this year, said Morrison. He said that a motion for a preliminary injunction had been filed with the complaint, and they were hoping for a hearing next week.

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ENCINO, CA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Properties Inc. (AMEX: MPP) today reported net income for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $413,000, or $.17 per share. For the comparable prior year period, Medical Properties had net income of $541,000, or $.23 per share. The company said that lower additional rental income, as well as certain higher expenses, were responsible for the decline in net income.

Total income, primarily from rental properties, was $1,331,000 for the current second quarter, compared with $1,345,000 for the corresponding quarter a year ago.

For the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, net income totaled $848,000, or $.36 per share, on total income -- principally from rental properties -- of $2,665,000. For the comparable prior year period, net income was $1,038,000 or $.44 per share on total income principally from rental properties -- of $2,736,000.

The company said that it expects to continue the cash dividend policy of $1.20 per share annually, payable quarterly, and that cash available from operations should be sufficient to maintain this dividend rate.

Medical Properties is a real estate investment trust engaged in investing in income producing health care related facilities.

MEDICAL PROPERTIES INC.
Statement of Earnings
(Unaudited)

	3 Months Ended June 30,		6 Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Rental income - related parties	$1,318,000	$1,329,000	$2,637,000	$2,709,000
Interest income	13,000	16,000	28,000	27,000
Total	1,331,000	1,345,000	2,665,000	2,736,000
Expenses:				
Depreciation and amortization	308,000	308,000	616,000	616,000
Interest	418,000	423,000	833,000	843,000
Advisory fees - related party	63,000	63,000	126,000	126,000
Insurance	37,000	38,000	74,000	77,000
Other	92,000	(28,000)	168,000	36,000
Total	918,000	804,000	1,817,000	1,698,000
Net income	413,000	541,000	848,000	1,038,000
Net income per share	$0.17	$0.23	$0.36	$0.44
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,369,000	2,369,000	2,369,000	2,369,000

CONTACT: William Hartauer, president of Medical Properties, 818-902-2270; or Melvyn S. Rifkind or Cecilia A. Wilkinson of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Medical Properties Inc.

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DETROIT (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Telephone customers don't think it makes sense that a call from Detroit to Ann Arbor costs more than a call to Los Angeles. Michigan Bell agrees, and today the company took steps to meet its customers' demands for greater equity in the prices they pay for telephone services and their expressed desires for new optional services.

Michigan Bell asked state approval for a repricing plan that includes a 15-percent reduction in the price of long-distance calls of more than 20 miles throughout a customer's LATA - a geographic calling area in which Michigan Bell provides long-distance service.

The plan also proposes new residential calling plans, including a new version of "Metro Service" - a popular option discontinued several years ago - that would offer deep discounts on calls to nearby suburbs, and

another discount plan for calling anywhere within a LATA.

Michigan Bell President Kenneth E. Millard said the company estimates that three of every four of its customers could see decreases in their total bills because of the long-distance price reductions and by taking advantage of the various optional plans it proposed.

The pricing package Michigan Bell submitted to the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing is not designed to increase the company's revenue. It couples the proposed rate reductions with offsetting increases in other services.

The increases would raise the cost of a public phone call by a nickel from 20 cents to a quarter, boost charges for frequent and heavy use of "Information" service, and raise the cost of operator assistance on calls such as person-to-person.

Michigan Bell also requested increases in the price of its premium residence service - unlimited flat rate calling. However, the company said 66 percent of its existing flat rate customers would avoid the proposed increase by switching to one of four new local calling packages included in Michigan Bell's request.

These packages, which base charges on the number of local calls customers make, give customers the opportunity to select an option that best meets their local calling needs. Each of the new calling plans has a built-in "safety net" which assures that a customer would pay no more than $15 in any one month for local calling. The greatest savings - $20, $30, $40 per month or more - would be possible for customers who make many long-distance or suburban calls.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - British Telecom (NYSE: BTY) British Telecom announced today the first quarter's financial results for the period to June 30, 1990. A synopsis is:

-- Earnings per share increased to 0.80 pounds sterling ($1.40) per ADR which is a growth of 18.5 percent relative to the same period in 1989.

-- Pretax profit of 741 million pounds ($1,297 million), an increase of 16.7 percent over the first quarter last year.

-- Reduction of 2,300 UK employees. -- Call volume growth of 9 percent for

domestic and 12 percent for international calls on a twelve month moving average.

-- Number of business access lines increased by 9.1 percent and residential access lines by 2.5 percent over the year to June 30, 1990.

-- Revenues increased from 2,928 million pounds (Q1/89) to 3,208 million pounds ($5,614 million), an increase of 9.6 percent.

-- Operating costs increased by 7.1 percent to 2,344 million pounds ($4,102 million), well below UK inflation rate.

Ongoing reductions in the number of UK employees of 2,300 people reflect the company's commitment to overall cost reduction. The increase in operating costs was below the annual rate of inflation (9.8 percent) and reflected a tighter management control of costs in general.

The increase in net interest expense of 17.1 percent to 123 million pounds ($215 million) was in line with expectations taking into consideration the cash outflow in the preceding financial year, in particular the acquisition of the 20 percent interest in McCaw Cellular.

Capital expenditure at 634 million pounds ($1,110 million) was lower than the comparable period last year, due to changes in the ordering patterns over previous quarters. However, the modernization of the network continues unabated.

Access line rental revenues increased by 15.4 percent to 441 million pounds ($772 million) due to the price changes introduced in September 1989 and the system size growth of 4 percent over the 12 months to June 30 1990.

Overall revenue figures were also buoyed by other sales and services increasing 17.7 percent to 757 million pounds ($1,325 million) which included BT Tymnet, acquired in November 1989; Cellnet, one of the two national UK cellular operators and from private circuit revenues.

Chairman's Summary Commenting on the results, Iain Vallance, chairman of British Telecom, said:

"Improved cost control and growth in most of the markets we serve have benefited our financial performance. "The quality of our customer and network services has also shown further improvements. "The reorganization program to strengthen our commitment to customers is progressing according to plan."

British Telecom is the principal supplier of telecommunications services and products in the United Kingdom. It is one of the world's largest

telecommunications companies and is expanding its lines of business into a number of overseas countries.

This release summarizes a statement released in London today. Note: All comparative figures between US dollars and UK sterling are at the prevailing rate on June 30, 1990 of $1.75 to 1 pound.

BRITISH TELECOM
(Unaudited)

UK GAAP

Three months ended June 30	1990	1990	1989
	dollars in millions	pounds sterling in millions	
Revenues	5,614	3,208	2,928
Income before tax	1,297	741	635
Less: taxation	434	248	222
Minority interests	11	6	5
Net income	852	487	408
Earnings per ADR	$1.40	0.80	0.68

US GAAP

Three months ended June 30	1990	1990	1989
	dollars in millions	pounds sterling in millions	
Revenues	5,614	3,208	2,928
Income before tax	1,255	717	656
Less: taxation	439	251	233
Minority interests	11	6	5
Net income	805	460	418
Earnings per ADR	$1.33	0.76	0.69

NOTES

Results and dividends reported in pounds sterling have been expressed in U.S. dollars at an exchange rate of $1.75 to the pound, the rate prevailing on June 30, 1990, the last date of the reporting period. Each ADR represents ten shares of British Telecom ordinary stock.

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#90221p3744 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Polaroid Corporation (NYSE: PRD) today announced plans to build a new $90 million plant in New Bedford, Mass., to manufacture advanced films for the company's new electronic imaging products.

The 250,000 square-foot facility, to be located at Polaroid's existing New Bedford manufacturing site, is expected to be in operation in late 1992. It will employ more than 100 people.

"This new facility represents the largest plant and facilities investment in the history of our company," said Polaroid President and Chief Executive Officer I. MacAllister Booth. "It is a key element in our long-term growth strategy, which includes production of systems and films for the exciting new market of electronic imaging."

Booth said, "The new plant will be capable of producing a wide range of new products, including advanced film for our new laser-based medical diagnostic imaging system known as Helios. Helios is one of several new product programs directed toward high-volume, high-growth markets."

Booth added that Polaroid was particularly pleased to undertake this major expansion in Massachusetts. "Polaroid was founded here 53 years ago, and the underlying strength and vibrancy of our basic economy has always helped us through the worst times and to prosper in the best," he said. "It is critical not to underestimate the importance of manufacturing to the health of our regional and national economy, and to the competitiveness of our products."

The plant will be an automated manufacturing facility, capable of producing a total product from raw materials to final packaging. It will house all facets of imaging media manufacturing, including: coating, finishing and warehousing.

Joseph R. Oldfield, vice president, worldwide manufacturing and product development said, "The new facility will give Polaroid strong competitive advantages in product quality and lower manufacturing costs. The modern tools of manufacturing science have been incorporated into the plant design. The plant will allow Polaroid to react more quickly to market demands and customer needs."

Polaroid has been manufacturing in New Bedford for 18 years. Its existing 500,000 square-foot plant, which employs approximately 500 people produces coated negatives for Polaroid's instant film products.

At a press conference at Polaroid's Microelectronics Laboratory here, a number of state and local officials praised Polaroid's plans. In a statement phoned into the press conference, Governor Michael S. Dukakis said, "Polaroid's new-tech initiative represents a dramatic move toward jump-starting our economy and it clearly enhances the Commonwealth's Building The Nineties Program. This is a terrific example of Massachusetts business at its competitive best."

Massachusetts Secretary of Economic Affairs Al Raine said, "The commitment Polaroid is making to Massachusetts and her residents demonstrates this great company's vision for the future and their strong sense of economic citizenship. This is good news for the Massachusetts economy and

particularly for the people of New Bedford."

Polaroid's U.S. manufacturing facilities are located in Freetown, New Bedford, Norwood and Waltham, Mass. Major international facilities are located in Mexico, the Netherlands and Scotland. In addition, the company has sub-assembly operations in the Soviet Union and in China.

Polaroid Corporation, with sales of almost $2 billion, is the worldwide leader in high-quality, hard copy instant imaging. The company supplies instant photographic cameras and film, and conventional and electronic visual communication products to the consumer, business, industrial and scientific markets.

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#90221p3747 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Health-Chem Corporation (AMEX: HCH), today reported operating results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $10,798,000 compared to $11,908,000 in the comparable quarter last year. Net earnings were $135,000, or $.02 per share, for the quarter against net earnings of $170,000, or $.02 per share, for the same period last year.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $20,888,000 compared to $22,328,000 in the same half last year. There was a net loss of $429,000, or $.06 per share, compared to net income of $56,000, or $.01 per share, in the first half of 1989.

Health-Chem Corporation manufactures and distributes patented controlled release dispensers for the pharmaceutical industry, along with industrial and health care synthetic fabrics, and dental instruments and supplies.

HEALTH-CHEM CORPORATION
Results of Operations
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Net sales	$10,798	$11,908	$20,888	22,328
Cost of goods sold	7,287	8,198	14,302	15,711
Gross profit	3,511	3,710	6,586	6,617
Other expenses (inc.):				
Selling, general &				

administrative expense	2,681	2,768	5,437	5,271
Research & development expense	569	627	1,203	1,244
Interest expense, net of interest income	563	284	1,066	690
Other income, net	(181)	(290)	(101)	(508)
Total other expenses	3,632	3,389	7,605	6,697
Income/(Loss) from opers. before income taxes and minority interests	(121)	321	(1,019)	(80)
Provision for income taxes (benefit)	(172)	144	(335)	(38)
Income/(Loss) from opers. before minority interests	51	177	(684)	(118)
Minority interests	2	7	(28)	(5)
Income/(Loss) from opers.	49	170	(656)	(113)
Extraordinary gain from repurchase of convertible subordinated debentures, net of taxes of $46, $0, $121 and $91	86	--	227	169
Net income/(loss)	135	170	(429)	56
Earnings per common share (Primary and Fully Diluted):				
Income/(Loss) from opers.	.01	.02	(.09)	(.02)
Extraordinary gain from repurchase of debentures	.01	--	.03	.02
Net income/(loss)	.02	.02	(.06)	.01
Average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding (primary and fully diluted)	7,103,037	7,103,037	7,103,037	7,103,037

CONTACT: Paul R. Moeller vice president and chief financial officer of Health-Chem, 717-764-1191

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#90221p3749 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways will resume service between Miami and Port of Spain in Trinidad and Tobago tomorrow, Friday, Aug. 10, with daily round trip service.

Pan Am will operate a modified schedule to accommodate the night time curfew which is currently in effect in Port of Spain.

Flight 472 will depart Miami International Airport at 6:30 a.m. and arrive at Piarco International Airport, serving Port of Spain, at 10:10 a.m. The

return flight, 471, will depart Port of Spain at 11:10 a.m. and arrive in Miami at 2:45 p.m. The flights will utilize Boeing 727 aircraft with a seating capacity of 145.

Pan Am suspended service to Trinidad and Tobago on July 27, following an attempted coup in the Caribbean Island nation. The decision to resume service was made following an on-sight inspection of the airport and major thoroughfares between the city and the airport by Pan Am security officials and after consultations with the U. S. Department of State and the Federal Aviation Administration.

The modified daylight schedule will continue as long as the curfew remains in effect.

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#90221p3750 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDEN, CO (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Walker, president and CEO of Barringer Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ: BALB), today announced the signing of a Protocol of Intentions with the All-Union Foreign Economic Association (Sojuzkarta) and the All-Union Scientific Research Institute of Geology for Foreign Countries of the Soviet Union as well as Central Trading Systems located in New York.

The Protocol contemplates the joining of compatible technologies for geological prospecting efforts for solid mineral deposits and the implementation of exploration and mining projects through the selling of information, services and licenses in investigated areas on an exclusive basis. Central Trading Systems has the exclusive right to market Sojuzkarta data in the United States and it is intended that high resolution satellite data of the Soviet Union be included in the data packages. It is also contemplated that the joint venture will consult with and facilitate contracts for mining and exploration with western companies desirous of conducting such projects in the Soviet Union.

Barringer has a long history of accomplishment in the minerals exploration industry with particular emphasis on the development of remote sensing geochemical and geophysical exploration systems, exploration management, and image processing.

The parties are in the process of identifying and quantifying the resources required to carry out the objectives of the contemplated joint venture. Once this process is completed, the parties anticipate completion of negotiations leading to the execution of definitive agreements. Various U.S. and Soviet government approvals may be required to consummate agreements.

Headquartered in Golden, Barringer Laboratories Inc., a 49 percent owned subsidiary of Barringer Resources Inc., provides analytical testing services for the environmental and minerals industries and image processing services for the hydrocarbon and minerals exploration industries.

CONTACT: Stanley Binder, 201-984-5760, or Robert Walker, CEO, 303-277-1687, both of Barringer; or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Barringer.

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#90221p3751 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Cordis Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CORD) announced that it has concluded the sale of assets of its Theratek International, Inc. subsidiary and certain related Cordis assets to Dow Corning Wright Corporation. A definitive agreement between the parties was disclosed July 2.

The accord calls for Dow Corning Wright to pay a total of $3 million , with the proceeds allocated $1.2 million to Cordis and $1.8 million to Theratek. A portion of Theratek's receipts will go to Kensey Nash Corporation, Cordis' former partner in Theratek, which was operated as a joint venture from June 1986 to April 1990.

Cordis will reflect the sale in its recently concluded fourth quarter, which is scheduled to be reported in late August. The transaction's overall effect should be minimal, however, the company explained. Its share of the net proceeds will essentially offset Theratek's higher loss during the quarter and the added costs of disposal.

Cordis officials called the sale an important step in the company's continuing program to divest nonstrategic operations.

Miami-based Cordis Corporation manufactures and markets a variety of medical devices and systems for the angiographic and neurosurgical markets. Shares of the company's stock are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CORD.

CONTACT: Chick McDowell, vice president of corporate relations and assistant secretary of Cordis Corporation, 305-824-2821.

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#90221p3758 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Waste Industries (NASDAQ: WWIN) has named Mark D. Bozajian to the newly created post of vice

president and assistant to the president.

"Mark will assist me in a wide range of operational areas, bringing with him a wealth of knowledge in management, finance and administration," stated Kosti Shirvanian, the company's president and chief executive officer.

Bozajian joins Western Waste after several years as a consultant to a number of companies, including Mine Reclamation Corp., a privately held firm established to develop a waste-by-rail system. Prior to becoming a consultant, he was chief operating officer for Sur-Lite Corp., was with Arthur Young & Co., now Ernst & Young, and taught accounting and strategic planning at the University of Southern California (USC).

Bozajian earned a bachelor of science degree in business administration and a masters degree in accounting from USC. He is a certified public accountant, serves on the board of directors of USC's Accounting Circle and has been the recipient of many honors and awards.

Headquartered in Los Angeles, Western Waste is one of the largest publicly held integrated waste management companies, providing residential, commercial and industrial collection services, landfill and transfer station operations. The company has operations in California, Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Florida, Colorado and Arizona. Western Waste expects to report revenue of approximately $170 million for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

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#90221p3761 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Mack Trucks Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MACK) announced today that it had not yet received an extension of the Mack Financial Corp. revolving credit agreement that matured yesterday.

Mack said, however, that negotiations are continuing with lenders regarding both extending the maturity of the Mack Financial Corp. revolving credit agreement to Dec. 31, 1990, and the terms and conditions of waivers of certain covenant violations in Mack's credit agreement.

CONTACT: James A. Santanasto of Mack Trucks, 215-439-3591.

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#90221p3763 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Bresler & Reiner, Inc. (OTC) reported net income of $417,000 or 15 cents per share on revenues of $11,631,000 for the three months ended June 30, 1990, after an $800,000 estimated write down net of taxes, of short term commercial paper of a bank holding company.

In the 1989 second quarter, the company earned $1,365,000 or 48 cents per share on revenues of $9,841,000.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company's net income was $1,689,000 or 60 cents per share on revenue of $20,854,000. In the 1989 six months the company earned $2,749,000 or 97 cents per share on revenues of $19,642,000.

The company holds $2.5 million of short-term commercial paper of Washington Bancorporation, which defaulted on the commercial paper and on Aug. 1, 1990, filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Act. The company has included in its second quarter results an estimated charge of $800,000 (28 cents per share), net of income taxes, for partial uncollectibility of this paper. The company will continue to monitor the prospects for collection of this investment.

Burton J. Reiner, president of the company, said that after the write down the company at July 31, 1990 held over $7,600,000 of cash and cash equivalents, net of the Washington Bancorporation paper, which is ample for its liquidity needs. He said the write down would not materially affect the company's operations.

Bresler & Reiner, Inc. engages in residential land development and construction and operates a motel, apartment projects and a shopping mall/office complex in the Washington metropolitan area. The company also owns two nursing homes and operates an equipment leasing business.

BRESLER & REINER, INC.
Financial Summary

6 Months Ended June 30,	1990	1989
Revenues	$20,854,000	$19,642,000
Costs of Sales & Expenses	18,217,000	15,326,000
Income Before Taxes	2,637,000	4,316,000
Provision for Taxes	948,000	1,567,000
Net Income	1,689,000	2,749,000
Earnings Per Share	0.60	0.97
Weighted Average of Shares Outstanding	2,834,653	2,831,276

CONTACT: Philip Friedman, treasurer, Bresler & Reiner, Inc., 202-488-8800.

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#90221p3764 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - A Rolls-Royce designed Dynamic Signature Verification system, targeted at the point-of-sale market, has recorded a 99.1 percent acceptance level during a four-week trial conducted by Midland Bank plc in London, England.

Midland, in the trials at their Card and Electronic Products location in Cannon Street, London, found over a four-week period, that only 0.9 percent of the 5,694 visits to the system by the 150 staff taking part were rejected. Using a three-attempt system approach, 93.6 percent of the entrants were accepted at the first attempt, 4.5 percent at the second and 0.9 percent at the third attempt.

Although the system used was in the early stages of development, the trial has demonstrated the significant potential of the Rolls-Royce unit and has prompted Rolls-Royce Business Ventures Limited to continue the development towards a commercial project.

In parallel with the final two weeks of the final trial, a forgery trial was run to quantify the susceptibility of the system to forgeries and to collect forgery data for future analysis. Participation in this trial was disappointing, and no firm conclusions were drawn from the data obtained.

The DSV system under development by Rolls-Royce since 1974 is based on technology known as acoustic emission or high-frequency sound. The movement of the user's pen across paper generates a high-frequency sound signal which is unique to the individual. To operate the system the user supplies five signatures which form the original template. Subsequent signatures are compared against a continuously updated signature template.

The Dynamic Signature system is targeted at the point-of-sale market where it could be used in conjunction with smart-card technology although it is equally suited to other security applications.

Rolls-Royce Business Ventures Limited is to work on increasing the speed of operation of the DSV system and to improve the system's ability to detect forgeries, including a comprehensive forgery trial, and to improve user interface.

The successful trial of the Dynamic Signature Verification system by Midland Bank plc has resulted in the bank suggesting that the design warrants further development because of the high level of performance achieved.

CONTACT: Robert Stangarone, 703-318-9002, or Dick Dalton, 703-318-9005, both of Rolls-Royce

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#90221p3765 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Commencing Oct. 1, Chicago-based Midway Airlines (NYSE: MDW) will inaugurate non-stop service between Midway Airport and Lambert Field in St. Louis and between Midway Airport and John Wayne Airport in Orange County, Calif.

In announcing service to Midway's 60th and 61st destinations, John P. Tague, vice president of marketing and planning, said this underscores Midway's commitment to offer the service and frequency to those cities that meet the needs of business and leisure travelers alike.

Midway's non-stop service to Orange County will use McDonnell Douglas MD-87 aircraft and will operate two daily round-trip flights. To Orange County, flights will depart daily at 8:45 a.m. and arrive at 11:10 a.m. The 7:25 p.m. flight, with an arrival at 9:50 p.m., will operate daily except Saturday. On Saturday only, there will be a flight departing at 3 p.m., arriving at 5:25 p.m.

To Chicago, the 7 a.m. flight, with a scheduled arrival at 1:05 p.m., will operate daily except Sunday. The 8 a.m. flight, arriving at 2:05 p.m., will operate on Sunday only. The 12:10 p.m. flight, with a 6:15 p.m. arrival, will operate daily.

In addition to service to Orange County, Midway Airlines currently offers five daily round-trip flights between Midway Airport and Los Angeles International Airport, service which began May 1, 1989. Eastbound flights continue with the same plane service to New York's LaGuardia Airport or Tampa International Airport.

Midway's non-stop service to St. Louis will operate five daily round-trip flights. To St. Louis, flights will leave at 7 a.m., arrive at 8:05 a.m.; depart at 11 a.m., arrive at 12:05 p.m.; leave at 1:30 p.m., arrive at 2:35 p.m.; depart at 5 p.m., arrive at 6:05 p.m., and leave at 8:55 p.m. with a 10 p.m. arrival.

To Chicago, flights depart at 7 a.m., with an 8:05 a.m. arrival; 8:45 a.m. with a scheduled arrival at 9:50 a.m.; 12:45 p.m., with a 1:50 p.m. arrival; 3:15 p.m., scheduled to arrive at 4:20 p.m.; and 6:55 p.m., arriving at 7:55 p.m.

Midway will offer convenient connections through Chicago to passengers who originate or who are destined to more than 50 business and leisure destinations throughout the Midway system.

Midway Airlines offers coast-to-coast service from its hubs at Chicago's

close-in Midway Airport and Philadelphia International Airport. Midway Airlines and its wholly owned subsidiary, the Midway Commuter, serve 59 destinations in the United States, Canada, U.S. Virgin Islands and the Bahamas.

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#90221p3766 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHINGTON, CT (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Ralph G. Mann, president and chief executive officer of Southington Savings Bank (NASDAQ: SSBB) announced today that the board of directors have declared a 16 cents per share regular dividend for the third quarter of 1990, to be paid on Sept. 18, 1990. Holders of record of issued and outstanding shares of the bank's common stock as of Aug. 31, 1990 will receive the dividend.

Southington Savings Bank's assets totaled $261,713,000 on June 30, 1990 and shareholders' equity totaled $31,694,000, representing a book value of $17.34 per share. Total loans outstanding as of June 30, 1990 were $216,078,000 and deposits were $220,872,000. Total outstanding shares as of June 30, 1990 were 1,827,992.

CONTACT: Elizabeth F. McKeon, senior vice president of Southington Savings Bank, 203-628-0351.

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#90221p3767 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - In order to offset the higher price of jet fuel, Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) will initiate a 5.3 percent fare increase for all domestic and international flights effective Aug. 15.

"This increase has become necessary as the result of a 10-cent per gallon increase in the cost of jet fuel since July 31," said Whit Hawkins, Delta's senior vice president - marketing. "We've taken great care to analyze the situation fully, to explore all avenues of fuel savings, and to work to keep these increases at an absolute minimum.

"And, we have made certain that this increase reflects only the impact of increased fuel prices -- nothing more," Hawkins added.

Delta, a major world airline, serves 177 cities and offers more than 2,400 flights each day.

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#90221p3769 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Johnston Industries, Inc. (NYSE: JII) today reported sales for the final quarter and the fiscal year 1990 of $34,597,000 and $118,891,000 compared to $31,055,000 and $116,307,000, respectively, for those periods in fiscal 1989. This represents an increase of 11 percent for the fourth quarter and 2 percent for the year.

Net income in the latest quarter totaled $958,000, equal to 19 cents a share, and accounted for more than half of the full year total of $1,868,000, or 37 cents a share. Comparable figures last year were $1,931,000, or 38 cents a share in the quarter, and $7,847,000, or $1.54 a share, for all of fiscal 1989.

"The results for both the quarter and the year have been adversely affected by the soft textile market which did not permit the complete recovery of raw material cost increases in selling prices. Other expense increases, including some of a nonrecurring nature, as well as underutilization of plant capacity have also had a detrimental effect," said David L. Chandler, chairman and chief executive officer. He also remarked that the increase in sales volume in the last quarter indicated a strengthening in the corporation's markets that should continue.

Johnston Industries, Inc. is engaged in the production and distribution of textile fabrics primarily for the industrial and home furnishings markets and, to some extent, basic apparel items.

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BOSTON (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - XTRA Corporation (NYSE: XTR) today announced that the third quarter results (three months ended June 30, 1990) from continuing operations were an after-tax profit of $1,993,000 or 13 cents per share (after preferred dividends) compared to an after-tax profit of $1,050,000 or a loss of 3 cents per share (after preferred dividends) for the same period of the prior year. Third quarter revenues from continuing operations were $54,063,000 compared to revenues of $51,587,000 during the same quarter of fiscal 1989.

The current period earnings were reduced by an extraordinary charge of 849,000 after-tax, or 14 cents per share, relating to the redemption of the $88.5 million of Series A Medium Term Notes of XTRA, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary. The after-tax charge is due to the write-off of unamortized costs associated with the registration and issuance of these

Notes which will be redeemed at par on Aug. 22, 1990. These notes were subject to a reset provision whereby the company was required either to begin paying a higher interest rate or to redeem the Notes at par. These fixed rate Notes are being redeemed principally with the proceeds from a new $80 million Term Loan, underwritten by The First National Bank of Boston and Continental Bank, N.A., as co-agents. Borrowings under this agreement are at floating interest rates. The balance of the financing will be provided by the company's existing Revolving Credit Agreement.

Robert Goergen, chairman of the board noted, "This new Term Loan, provided by two major bank lenders, facilitates the repayment of the Medium Term Notes which would have become expensive financing for XTRA. The willingness of two long standing lenders to promptly provide the financing at attractive rates is a sign of confidence in the company and its plans for the future."

XTRA Corporation is engaged in transportation services, primarily the leasing, on an ooperating basis, of intermodal equipment, including piggyback trailers and domestic containers and chassis, as well as over-the-road trailers.

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DEARBORN, MI (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Division sold a record 133,156 trucks in July, breaking last year's July record sales of 131,422 units. This represents a truck market share of 30.1 percent for July, up from 29.7 percent for the same period last year.

"It's the best July sales period ever," said Philip M. Novell, Ford Division's general sales manager. "We outsold our nearest competitor by more than 14,000 trucks during July alone and with the success of our new Ford Explorer, we anticipate an even bigger lead by the end of the year."

The award-winning 1991 Ford Explorer outsold all of its competition in July by a substantial margin, contributing to an 84-percent sales increase over the same period last year in the segment. Ford expects to achieve overall compact utility leadership before the end of August.

Ford has held overall truck leadership for the last four years and 11 of the last 13 years.

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#90221p3773 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
SPOKANE, WA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - After two years of planning, construction, training and production start-up, Boeing Spokane shipped its first part today, an environmental control system (ECS) duct destined for the 757 assembly line in Renton, Wash. Production officially began mid-July 1990.

Phil Kelly, Boeing Spokane general manager, said the first shipped part represents "The dedication and talent of a great group of people. I couldn't be more pleased with the efforts of everyone associated with the process of creating this new manufacturing plant, and in producing this first part."

The Spokane facility, to be fully operational in 1991, will produce environmental control ducts and floor panels for all Boeing commercial airplane programs.

The ECS ducts are the first production part produced; floor panels begin production this month.

Ground was broken April 28, 1990, at a 120-acre site located at the Lucas Airpark northwest of downtown Spokane.

Construction was started soon after, with September 1990 slated as the completion date.

"We've been on schedule, or ahead of schedule for almost every aspect of this project," Kelly said.

Boeing Spokane began applicant screening and testing in January 1990 with the goal of reaching a total population of 350 employees by 1991.

The first group of potential employees to receive job training entered classes in April 1990 and completed coursework in July 1990.

"With the first part shipped, we must focus on continuing to serve our customers by building 'world-class' parts, and we need to maintain the momentum that has brought us to this day," said Kelly.

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JERICHO, NY (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - In support of President Bush's announcement regarding restraint to the escalation of gasoline prices,

Getty Petroleum Corp. (NYSE: GTY) announced that the company will freeze its gasoline prices for one week, effective today.

According to Leo Liebowitz, Getty's president and chief executive officer, "Getty is neither a refiner nor producer, and purchases refined petroleum products from domestic and international refiners. Although our cost is related to New York Harbor spot prices, we will agree to exert restraint. During this past week, the average spot gasoline price jumped by approximately 16.5 cents per gallon. In our endeavor to keep prices down, we raised prices by approximately 8 cents per gallon. We plan to reevaluate the situation at the end of the one week period."

Getty is hoping its customers will hold prices for this same period bearing in mind that its customers are independent business operators.

Getty Petroleum Corp., one of the nation's largest independent marketers of gasoline and petroleum products, markets in a thirteen state area, Maine through Virginia.

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TROY, MI (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Rockwell WABCO Vehicle Control Systems has been selected the supplier partner for heavy-duty anti-lock brake systems (ABS) by Volvo GM Heavy Truck Corporation based in Greensboro, N.C. The brake systems will be outfitted on the OEM's North American lineup of WHITEGMC trucks.

As part of the new relationship, Rockwell WABCO will be the sole published data book option for ABS for WHITEGMC trucks beginning with the 1992 model year, scheduled for availability in summer 1991.

According to Volvo GM Heavy Truck officials, the company selected Rockwell WABCO as its supplier partner due to its full product line and expertise in manufacturing, supplying and servicing both anti-lock and other brake system components.

Volvo GM Heavy Truck expressed confidence that the new supplier partnership between the two distinctly North American companies will provide U.S. and Canadian truck operators with integrated, heavy-duty anti-lock braking systems that are the finest in the industry.

Rockwell WABCO Vehicle Control Systems, a joint venture between Rockwell International Corp.'s Automotive Operations and American Standard Inc.'s WABCO Automotive Products Group, was formed in 1990 to supply vehicle control systems -- including truck, tractor, bus and trailer ABS and other

vehicle systems elements beyond brake actuation components -- to North American truck operators.

The computer-controlled anti-lock brake system was introduced in Europe in 1981 by WABCO Automotive Products Group and to the U.S. heavy- duty market in 1987. Since introduced, more than 150,000 WABCO ABS units have been sold worldwide.

Rockwell WABCO Vehicle Control Systems is the leading supplier of heavy-duty ABS to the North American truck market, supplying more factory-installed systems than all other systems combined.

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LOS ANGELES, (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - American Plastics and Chemicals Inc. (NASDAQ: APAC) today announced that William Morris has been elected president, chief executive officer and director of the company. The election of two other new directors was also announced, including Edwin Matovich, president of MKR Inc., Costa Mesa, Calif., and Fritz Hostettler, Ph.D., president of Polymer Technology Associates, Princeton, N.J.

Morris is president and director of National Energy Development Corp., Dallas, a privately held oil and gas exploration and production company. He has also been an independent management and financial consultant since 1981. Prior to becoming a management consultant, he was an investment advisor with United States Trust Company of New York and Harris Upham & Co., Inc. He holds a bachelor of arts degree from Princeton University and is a director of B.D. Holdings and Inc., a private investment company based in Dallas.

Commenting on the new board members, Morris stated, "We are very fortunate in obtaining the talents on our board of two recognized industry professionals who have already contributed to APAC as consultants to the company. Mr. Matovich and Dr. Hostettler accompanied me on our most recent trip to China and made substantial contributions to our efforts to incorporate the company's proprietary technologies to the organic chemical industry in China."

Matovich, prior to becoming president of MKR, an engineering firm, was senior vice president of Thagard Research Corp. in Costa Mesa, where he was responsible for research, development, licensing and marketing. Previously he was senior research specialist to Rockwell International Corp. He is the inventor of more than 30 issued or pending U.S. patents and numerous foreign counterpart patents in solid state devices, optical

devices, chemical processes and chemical processing equipment.

Dr. Hostettler, before becoming president of Polymer Technology Associates had been a technical advisor to a Wall Street venture capital group and a principal of Plastics Technology Associates. Earlier he was assistant director of Research and Development at Union Carbide Corp. He holds more than 70 U.S. patents in the field of polyurethane.

American Plastic and Chemicals is a development-stage company engaged in demonstrating the commercial viability, licensing, and utilization of certain proprietary technology in the co-production of calcium carbide and fuel gases from raw coal and raw limestone.

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SPRINGFIELD, MA. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE -- Monarch Capital Corporation (NYSE: MON) today reported income from continuing operations was $0.9 million or $0.03 per share, compared to $2.3 million or $0.24 per share for the same period in 1989. Income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $3.5 million or $0.33 per share, compared to $3.9 million or $0.37 per share for the six months of 1989.

Net income for the second quarter of 1990, was $0.9 million, compared to $4.4 million for the second quarter of 1989. Net income for the six months was $3.5 million compared to $10.0 million for the six months of 1989. The 1989 six months results include $6.2 million -- $2.0 million for the second quarter -- of income from Monarch- Narragansett and the company's real estate operations, which are now presented as discontinued operations.

"Earnings for the second quarter were below expectations due primarily to factors that had a negative impact on the financial results of the disability income operation, including adverse claims experience. The company is also accruing the costs of a new reinsurance agreement," said Gordon N. Oakes, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Monarch. "Countering these results on the positive side were strong sales and improved earnings in our variable product operations."

Variable Products Business Pre-tax earnings for the variable products operation were $8.3 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to $7.8 million for the same period last year, and $18.7 million for the six months, compared to $14.5 million for the six month period in 1989. Variable life assets under management were $4.26 billion at June 30, 1990,

up from $4.16 billion at March 31, 1990.

Variable life sales for the six months were $52.0 million, up from $34.4 million for the same period last year. Variable annuity sales for the six months increased more than three-fold from the same period in 1989 -- up to $54.6 million in 1990, from 14.9 million in 1989.

"During the second quarter, Monarch acquired Adair Brakovich, Inc., an annuity wholesaling operation, which greatly increased our variable annuity sales," stated Oakes. "This partnership will strengthen our sales and marketing abilities, and give us a competitive advantage in the variable products market."

Disability Business Pre-tax earnings for the disability income insurance operation for the second quarter of 1990 were 0.9 million, compared to 4.8 million for the same quarter in 1989. Pre-tax earnings for the first six months of 1990 were 3.4 million, compared to 7.8 million for the six-month period in 1989. Disability income sales were 15.4 million for the six months, compared to 18.6 million for the same period last year.

"During this quarter, we finalized a reinsurance agreement with a major U.S. reinsurance company," said Oakes. "Under this agreement, we will reinsure a portion of the risks related to our existing and future disability business, thereby enhancing Monarch's opportunities to expand its business and spread its risks. Pre-tax earnings in 1990 decreased by 1.7 million as the result of profits accruing to our reinsurance partners under this agreement."

"The implementation of our state-of-the-art disability income system is moving forward. The cost of implementation continues to be one of the factors that have lowered earnings of this line of business, but we expect that, when this system is fully in place, it will help increase future earnings," Oakes added.

Other Operations Pre-tax earnings from other insurance operations, including Monarch's supplemental insurance business, were 2.6 million for the six months of 1990, compared to 2.3 million for the same period in 1989, and for the second quarter, they were 1.1 million for 1990 and 1989.

Strengthened Management Team Oakes said, "Although financial results for the second quarter were disappointing, we have taken steps to strengthen our management team by naming Roger Servison, formerly of Fidelity Investments, Inc., as president of Monarch Capital, and by appointing Bill Adair to lead our variable products operation. These steps, as well as our combined efforts to reduce costs and increase efficiency, are all designed to improve future operations."

Monarch Capital Corporation is a financial services company that designs

disability income insurance and variable life insurance and annuity products. These products are distributed through a network of other financial service firms in regional and national markets.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Hycroft Resources & Development Corp. (Vancouver: HYR) today reported a loss for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $1,792,000 or $0.13 per share compared to a loss of $3,298,000 or $0.25 per share in the second quarter of 1989. The net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $1,697,000 or $0.13 per share compared to a net loss of $4,842,000 or $0.36 per share for the same period in 1989.

Although gold production was satisfactory in the second quarter, results were adversely affected by the low gold prices and higher stripping costs. However, near record production of approximately 9,200 ounces of gold in July, higher gold prices and continuing high production during August to date has improved results.

Three months ended June 30, 1990

Sales for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $10,309,000 compared to $9,689,000 for the same period in 1989. The increase was largely due to the increase in gold production from 19,330 ounces in the second quarter of 1989 to 20,762 ounces in the second quarter of 1990.

The loss from mining operations in the second quarter of 1990 was $209,000 compared to $42,000 for the same period in 1989. This was a result of higher costs due to a higher stripping ratio, which is not expected to continue.

In addition to the operations factors discussed above, the decrease in net loss was largely due to a foreign exchange loss ($1,273,000) and income tax expense ($503,000) on repatriation of funds from a subsidiary corporation in 1989 which did not occur in 1990.

Six months ended June 30, 1990

Sales for the six months ended June 30, 1990 were $20,454,000 compared to $18,965,000 for the same period in 1989. The increase was largely due to the increase in gold production from 36,705 ounces for the six months ended June 30, 1989 to 40,570 ounces in the same period in 1990.

Earnings from mining operations were $981,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1990 compared to a loss of $438,000 for the same period in 1989.

The increase was largely due to higher gold production and a decrease in depreciation expense due to the extended life of the heap-leach pads.

In addition to the operations factors discussed above, the decrease in loss was largely due to a foreign exchange loss ($1,273,000) and income tax expense ($503,000) on repatriation of funds from a subsidiary corporation in 1989 which did not occur in 1990.

Appointment of Director
The company also announced that on May 24, 1990, Lee R. Broderick was appointed as a director of the company, and on Aug. 1, 1990, the company received the resignation, effective July 13, 1990, of Carlo G. Civelli as a director.

The Vancouver Stock Exchange has neither approved nor disapproved the contents hereof.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Trunkline Gas Company, a subsidiary of Panhandle Eastern Corporation (NYSE: PEL), today will begin providing natural gas transportation services on the Lebanon Lateral, formerly referred to as the Indiana-Ohio pipeline.

The Lebanon Lateral is located between Grant County, Ind., and Lebanon, Ohio. Trunkline owns the Indiana portion of the pipeline while the Ohio portion is jointly owned by Trunkline and ANR Pipeline Company, a subsidiary of The Coastal Corporation.

Trunkline will operate the 52-mile, 30-inch Indiana pipeline and the 61-mile, 36-inch Ohio pipeline that links Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line (PEPL) to the facilities of Texas Eastern Gas Pipeline, CNG Transmission Corporation and Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation.

Initial capacity will be 480 million cubic feet per day and will be equally shared by Trunkline and ANR. Capacity could be expanded to more than 1 billion cubic feet per day to meet future market demands.

Shippers requesting transportation services should ask for the Master Receipt Point List on their PEPL and Trunkline transportation agreements to provide maximum flexibility in their supply options. Shippers who plan to transport gas will need a PEPL transportation contract redelivering to Grant County, as well as a Trunkline agreement for each redelivery to Lebanon. For additional information or assistance, shippers should call

the Panhandle Eastern marketing services department at 713-627-4765.

Panhandle Eastern Corporation operates one of the nation's largest interstate natural gas pipeline systems, providing natural gas to the Midwest and Northeast markets.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Transmedia Network Inc. (NASDAQ: TMNI), which owns and markets a restaurant charge card offering 25 percent savings on meals, today announced record revenues of $2,045,270; earnings of $139,432 and earnings per share of 7 cents, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to $1,337,323, $41,752, and 2 cents, respectively, for the same period in 1989.

Revenues for the quarter included net sales of $1,944,864, compared to $1,263,631, a year earlier, and membership and renewal fee income of $100,406, compared to $73,692, for the same period in 1989.

Total revenues for the nine-month period were a record $5,386,590, compared to $3,503,255, in 1989. These figures included net sales of $5,108,525 and membership renewal fee income of $278,065, compared to $3,297,974 and $205,281, respectively, for the same period in 1989.

Third-quarter revenues resulted in earnings of $115,920, or 6 cents per share, for the nine-month period, compared to a profit of $167,549, or 9 cents per share, for the nine months ended June 30, 1989.

Latest quarterly results eliminated a six-month loss of $23,512, or a loss of 1 cent per share, remaining from completing the company's franchise development plan; establishing its Cardholder Service Center in Miami, and arranging a substantial bank credit line. These activities caused expenditures of $89,389, $79,961, and $21,825, respectively, for a total of $191,175.

Melvin Chasen, chairman, said, "Transmedia continued to achieve record-breaking monthly sales in the third quarter, as the rate of restaurants and cardmembers joining our program steadily increased.

"Growing numbers of finer dining establishments, as well as diners, are discovering Transmedia's value-added services: capital and patrons for restaurants, essential today with increasing competition and higher costs, and savings for diners."

Chasen went on to say, "In July, the company, as previously announced, awarded its first franchise -- most of the state of New Jersey -- which will commence operations after closing the transaction on Aug. 30."

Transmedia Network Inc., established in 1984, derives its income from membership fees and cardmembers' use of the Executive Savings Card which converts food and beverage credits issued to the company by restaurants in return for cash advancements used by these dining establishments for a wide variety of needs.

More than 600 New York metropolitan area restaurants and 29,000 cardmembers have joined the Transmedia program to date. A total of 35 markets is targeted by 1995 in the company's franchise program which began this year.

TRANSMEDIA NETWORK INC.

Periods ended	Third quarter		Nine months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,045,270	$1,337,323	$5,386,590	$3,503,255
Earnings	139,432	41,752	115,920	167,549
Earnings per share	$.07	$.02	$.06	$.09

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CHICAGO (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Playboy Enterprises, Inc. (NYSE: PLA) today reported net income of $6.2 million, or $.33 per share, on net sales and revenues of $167.7 million for fiscal 1990, which ended June 30, 1990.

These results represent a $10.0 million improvement compared to a net loss of $3.8 million, or $.20 per share, on net sales and revenues of $166.2 million for the previous fiscal year. The fiscal 1989 loss was attributed to higher-than-normal, non-recurring administrative expenses including the addition of a number of key executives, the corporate headquarters relocation and charges relating to the restructuring of the company's entertainment group.

Operating income of $265,000 in fiscal 1990 was significant when compared to a $6.6 million operating loss in the prior year. This improvement was attributable to the profitable and strong performance of the company's entertainment group and lower administrative expenses in fiscal 1990.

Playboy Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Christie Hefner also announced that the company intends to commence open market and negotiated purchases of up to 200,000 of its Class B non-voting common shares. She said that recent market activity and the price at which Class B common

shares currently are trading led the company to make the decision to purchase.

For fiscal 1990, in addition to the improvement in operating income, the company recognized a pre-tax gain of $4.8 million on the sale in the first quarter of the assets of Boarts International, Inc., which was a wholly owned subsidiary engaged in the international distribution of U.S. periodicals and paperbacks. Current year non-operating income also included $928,000 of expenses related to the company's recapitalization in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990. Weighted average number of shares and per share amounts have been adjusted to reflect the recapitalization on a retroactive basis.

The company's entertainment group reported $3.0 million in operating income on $28.1 million in revenues, compared to the prior year's loss of $926,000 on $21.9 million in revenues. The strong performance was primarily due to the group's venture into foreign television. Playboy Late Night, a televised compilation of the best of Playboy programming, was sold successfully into 10 countries abroad during fiscal 1990.

Playboy Enterprises, Inc., is an international publishing and entertainment company that publishes Playboy magazine in 15 countries, newsstand specials, calendars, limited-edition graphics and catalogs; produces and markets programming for domestic and international television and home video; and licenses Playboy and other trademarks for consumer goods around the world. Its stock is listed on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

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GREAT NECK, NY (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Avnet, Inc. (NYSE: AVT) today reported that net income for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 was $56.5 million or $1.57 per share as against $54.0 million or $1.51 per share for the prior year. Fiscal 1990 net income included a net after tax charge of $9.8 million, or $.27 per share, covering one-time disposition and restructuring expenses while fiscal 1989 net income included a net after-tax gain of $1.3 million or $.04 per share. Excluding such items fiscal 1990 earnings were $66.3 million, or $1.84 per share compared with $52.7 million, or $1.47 per share, in 1989. Sales for the 1990 fiscal year were $1.75 billion compared with $1.92 billion for the prior year.

Avnet's fourth quarter net income was $7.5 million, or $.22 per share, as against $19.8 million, or $.55 per share, for the prior year period. The fiscal 1990 fourth quarter net income included the after- tax disposition and restructuring expenses of $9.8 million or $.27 per share while the

fiscal 1989 fourth quarter included a net after-tax gain of $4.6 million, or $.13 per share. Excluding such items fourth quarter fiscal 1990 earnings were $17.3 million, or $.49 per share, compared with $15.2 million, or $.42 per share, in the prior year's fourth quarter. Sales for the fourth quarter were $447.9 million compared with $456.9 million for the last year's fourth quarter.

Leon Machiz, Avnet's chairman and CEO noted that despite the 9 percent sales decline the company's net income from operations, excluding the above mentioned disposition and restructuring items, rose 26 percent as its net operating margins increased about 40 percent from 2.7 percent last year to 3.8 percent in the current year. These increases were due principally to increased efficiency, higher gross margins, improved asset management and the elimination of losses incurred by Electronic Marketing Group units divested or reserved for in fiscal 1989. He added that due primarily to the improved asset management the company's cash and marketable securities portfolio increased by $107 million to $344 million at fiscal 1990 year end.

Machiz said that Electronic Marketing, Avnet's largest group, was the major contributor to the improved fiscal year results. The group's revenues of $1.41 billion, which were about 7 percent lower than last year's revenues, accounted for 80 percent of the company's consolidated sales. With Hamilton/Avnet and Time leading the way, the group's fiscal 1990 after-tax operating earnings, before a one-time $2.9 million charge for the restructuring of Avnet Computer Technologies and Harper S.I.D. operations, were $58.2 million, up 46 percent from last year's group after-tax operating earnings of $39.8 million. Group fiscal 1990 net operating margins were 4.1 percent compared with 2.6 percent last year.

The Video Communications Group's sales, which accounted for 8 percent of consolidated sales, were $134.9 million in fiscal 1990, down 29 percent from last year's $191.2 million. The group's after-tax operating earnings before a fiscal 1990 $6.9 million charge for the disposition of the Taiwan operations were $4.9 million, down 12 percent from the previous year's after-tax operating earnings of $5.6 million which were before a $7.5 million gain on the sale of a cable TV system.

The Electrical and Industrial Group contributed $208.4 million or 12 percent of consolidated sales in fiscal 1990, down 3 percent from the previous year's $214.9 million. Its earnings were $3.2 million, down 56 percent from last year's $7.3 million.

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OXNARD, CA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Ventura County National Bancorp (NASDAQ: VCNB), the holding company for Ventura County National Bank and Frontier Bank, N.A., today reported a 29 percent increase in net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, to $814,000 from $631,000 in the 1989 second quarter.

Earnings per share were $0.16 for the last quarter (on a larger number of weighted average shares outstanding), compared with $0.17 in the 1989 period. The sharp rise in earnings was attributed to increases in net interest and fee income and the acquisition of Frontier Bank, offset somewhat by higher expenses due to investment in expanding operations.

Net income for the first half of 1990 totaled $1.5 million or $0.31 per share, compared to $1.3 million or $0.36 per share for the same six months of 1989.

President and Chief Executive Officer William E. McAleer said, "We are very pleased with the continued growth in core earnings. Net interest income grew by 44 percent, to $4.9 million for the second quarter of 1990 from $3.4 million for the comparable 1989 quarter. In addition, Ventura's other income grew 45 percent, to $647,000 from $445,000 from the year-ago quarter, primarily due to an increase in loan fee volume."

Ventura's annualized rates of return on assets and equity were 0.86 percent and 13.86 percent, respectively, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990. The company's net interest margin for the second quarter was 6.70 percent, compared to 6.90 percent for the second quarter of 1989.

McAleer noted that Ventura's two newest divisions, Correspondent Banking and Insurance Premium Financing, have been operational since early in 1990 and have already made significant contributions to revenues. The Insurance Premium Financing division originated $9.4 million in loans for the first half of 1990. The Correspondent Banking division has initially provided loan participation services to small- and mid-size banks throughout Southern California.

Also during the recent quarter, Ventura County National Bancorp's subsidiary, Frontier Bank, N.A., completed its acquisition of Westco Savings Bank from the Resolution Trust Corporation. At the time of purchase, Westco had $102 million in total assets and branches in Wilmington, La Palma, Culver City and Harbor City.

The two new divisions and Westco acquisition were primarily responsible for increases in expenses of $1.5 million and $2.8 million in the 1990 second quarter and first half, respectively.

Looking toward the second half of 1990, McAleer stated, "We anticipate

increased income from our two new divisions. The Westco Savings acquisition has provided over $80 million of lendable deposits which will also be an important contributor to future net profits.

Credit quality continued to be excellent with nonperforming assets as a percent of loans totaling 0.59 percent at June 30, 1990. Net charge-offs as a percent of average loans were 0.02 percent for the second quarter.

Ventura's primary capital ratio was 6.16 percent at June 30, 1990. Shareholders' equity was $25.2 million, with a book value of $5.26 per share. Total assets at the end of the last quarter were $410.0 million, compared to $238.4 million for the same quarter in 1989. Net loans increased to $272.6 million from $185.2 million at June 30, 1989, while deposits grew to $356.3 million from $206.4 million during the same period. Major portions of these increases are attributable to the company's acquisition of Frontier Bank, and Frontier's subsequent acquisition of Westco Savings.

Ventura County National Bancorp is the holding company for Ventura County National Bank, founded in 1982, and the La Palma-based Frontier Bank, N.A. acquired in October 1989. These two commercial banks offer services to middle market businesses, their owners and select professionals in southern California through five offices.

VENTURA COUNTY NATIONAL BANCORP
Financial Summary

EARNINGS SUMMARY
(dollars in 000's except for share and per share amounts)

Periods ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Interest Income	$ 4,889	$ 3,407	$ 9,126	$6,593
Provision for credit losses	120	125	163	280
Net Int. Inc. after provision for credit losses	$ 4,769	$ 3,282	8,963	6,313
Other Income:				
Service charges	225	150	409	303
Loan Fees	304	192	796	455
Miscellaneous Fees	104	102	228	193
Other	14	1	16	6
Total	$ 647	$ 445	$ 1,449	$ 956
Other Expenses	$ 4,140	$ 2,652	$ 7,847	$ 5,003
Income Before Taxes	$ 1,276	$ 1,075	$ 2,565	$ 2,267
Applicable Taxes	$ 462	$ 444	$ 1,020	$ 936
Net Income	$ 814	$ 631	$ 1,545	$ 1,332
Net Income Per Share	$ .16	$ .17	$ .31	$ .36

FINANCIAL RATIOS

Annualized Return on Assets (pct.)	0.86	1.15
Annualized Return on Equity (pct.)	13.86	18.46
Net Interest Yield (pct.)	6.70	6.90
Equity to Assets (pct.)	6.16	6.71
SELECTED BALANCE SHEET INFORMATION		
Total Assets	409,973	238,397
Total Loans	274,421	186,604
Allowance for Credit Losses	1,907	1,431
Total Deposits	356,256	206,353
Shareholder's Equity	25,239	16,002
Book Value Per Share	5.26	4.83

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#90221p3802 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Andrew J. Kaplan, senior vice president, office of the chairman, has been appointed to the newly created post of senior vice president, production, finance and administration overseeing CPT's physical production, film and tape facilities, division-wide budgeting and broadcast music activities, it was announced today by Gary Lieberthal, chairman and chief executive officer, Columbia Pictures Television.

Reporting directly to Lieberthal and Columbia TV President Scott Siegler, Kaplan will, additionally, serve as liaison to the departments of finance, administration, human resources and management information services of Columbia Pictures Entertainment.

Noted Lieberthal, "Andy Kaplan has made an enormous contribution to the office of the chairman and to the success of Columbia Pictures Television over the last three years. His appointment to this post enhances our ability to provide Columbia Pictures Television with the highest level of production, financial and administrative expertise."

Kaplan joined Columbia in 1987 as vice president and was promoted to senior vice president, office of the chairman in 1989. He was vice president, administration for Hal Roach Studios prior to joining Columbia. He also served as HRS corporate secretary and assistant treasurer.

From March 1984 to November 1985, Kaplan was director, theatrical acquisitions for Embassy Pictures. He joined Embassy Communications in 1982 as executive assistant to the president of pay television.

Kaplan was graduated from the University of California at Los Angeles in 1981 with a bachelor of arts degree in economics. In 1986, he received a

master's degree from the University of Southern California in business administration and corporate finance.

Columbia Pictures Television is a Columbia Pictures Entertainment Company.

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#90221p3805 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Kerr Glass Manufacturing Corp. (NYSE: KGM) has declared a dividend of $.11 per share on its common stock payable on Sept. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 31, 1990, and a dividend of $.425 per share on its $1.70 Class B Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, Series D, payable on Sept. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 14, 1990.

Kerr, headquartered in Los Angeles, is a major producer of glass containers, plastic products, metal crowns and home canning supplies.

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#90221p3806 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHDALE, MA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Rovac Corporation (OTC), declared on Aug. 3, 1990, that it will recommend a reverse split of its common stock to shareowners at the company's next stockholder's meeting. The board also recommended stockholder approval of a merger of the company's affiliate, Stafford Industries, Inc., into The Rovac Corporation through an exchange of common and preferred shares of Rovac for the common stock of Stafford. The Rovac directors agreed to a one-for-fifteen reverse split of the company's common stock subject to shareholder approval. They also voted to enter into an agreement in principal with Stafford Industries to merge Stafford's common stock into Rovac. This proposal is subject to approval by the directors of Stafford as well as the shareholders of both companies.

The one-for-fifteen reverse stock split will reduce the number of Rovac common shares currently issued and outstanding from approximately 37.7 million to approximately 2.5 million shares. The company also expects to ask its shareholders to approve the authorization of an additional 2 million shares of common stock, after giving effect to the reverse stock split. This will ensure that sufficient capital stock is available for future issue.

In addition to the more than 22.5 million shares of Rovac common stock held by Stafford, that company also owns real estate and other property which carries a current net fair market value of approximately $2 million.

Under the terms of the proposed merger, Rovac is to receive all of the shares of Stafford's capital stock and each shareholder of Stafford will receive a combination of Rovac preferred and common stock, which will be equivalent to the fair value of Stafford's assets, less any liabilities.

If the merger takes place, Rovac management anticipates that approximately 13,000 shares of preferred stock -- valued at $100 per share -- and, perhaps, as many as 1.6 million shares of Rovac's post- split common shares, depending upon the market price of the common stock prior to the merger, will be exchanged for Stafford's common stock. The company has already issued 12,000 shares of preferred stock, at $100 per share, to extinguish the intercompany debt.

Shea expects that the merger will be approved by the shareholders of both companies. If so, he believes that Rovac may have sufficient assets to qualify for filing an application to list its shares on a regional stock exchange, or with NASDAQ.

The company expects to file a Registration Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering the shares of common and preferred stock of Rovac to be issued in exchange for the stock of Stafford. No date has been announced for a shareholder meeting to approve the merger, nor has a date been set by the directors of either company as to when the stockholders of record will be affected by the reverse stock split or the merger.

The Rovac Company is a small research and development firm, which is located just outside of Worcester, Mass. The company is engaged principally in designing, building and testing a number of products which eliminate the use of ozone-depleting chloroflourocarbons (CFCs) through its patented, low-pressure, rotating, gas-handling power technology.

In late May of this year, Rovac announced formation of a joint venture with Autocam Corporation to commence the immediate production and marketing of its ozone-protective, automotive air conditioning systems. Located in the Grand Rapids, Mich., area, Autocam is a major supplier to the automotive industry.

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#90221p3807 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of on-going efforts to

improve financial performance, Chevron (NYSE: CHV) will offer for sale its four asphalt terminals in the Ohio Valley area. These terminals are located at Cincinnati and Marietta, Ohio; Louisville, Ky.; and Springdale, Penn.

While these operations have been profitable, they are not strategically critical to Chevron's core asphalt business, and the assets may be more valuable to others. Chevron will not make a final decision to sell the assets until all bids from prospective buyers have been carefully evaluated.

Chevron ranks No. 1 in asphalt sales in the United States, and that ranking will be unaffected if these terminals are sold.

"There are 42 employees at these four terminals, and we realize they're quite concerned about their future," said Juan Whitehead, general manager of the asphalt division. "We will keep them informed of all developments in this endeavor. In the event of a sale, we expect the buyer will fulfill all of Chevron's contractual obligations and commitments to employees and customers."

Chevron will ask prospective buyers to submit bids within a few months. Chevron expects to make a decision about the terminals' future by the end of the year.

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#90221p3809 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

KAILUA-KONA, HAWAII (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Cyanotech Corp. (NASDAQ: CYAN) today announced the first profitable quarterly results in the company's seven-year history, for the quarter ended June 30. Net income for the period was $24,813, versus a loss of $416,490 for the same quarter in 1989. The turnaround was fuelled by record revenues of $524,754, which represents a 140 percent increase over 1989 second-quarter revenues. Significantly, operating expenses were simultaneously cut by 43 percent from the previous year. According to Gerald Cysewski, president of Cyanotech, the profitability achieved by the company is a direct reflection of the new operating direction of the business.

The financial restructuring of Cyanotech, which was completed in April 1990, accomplished its two principal objectives of significant long-term debt reduction and provision of adequate working capital. Expressed as the ratio to total revenues, debt servicing declined from 33 percent in the second quarter of 1989 to 4 percent in the current quarter. Liquidity (current assets/current liabilities) improved from 0.32 as at Dec. 31,

1989, to 0.93 as at June 30, 1990. During the same comparative period, shareholders' equity increased from a deficit of $1,128,386 to a positive $1,548,195.

Management claims its decision to sharpen its marketing focus and rationalize production has resulted in Cyanotech becoming the second largest producer in North America of Spirulina, a nutritional product, and the world's largest producer of phycobiliproteins. These are used primarily for medical research purposes. The new dedication of the company's Hawaiian facility to Spirulina production has resulted in a near doubling of output and substantial cost reductions. Overall gross margins have more than doubled from the comparable period in 1989.

Coming at a time when Cyanotech's principal competitor in the Spirulina market is increasing its prices, the company is being presented with an opportunity to enlarge its market share, currently estimated at approximately 14 percent of the world market, according to Gerald Sherlock Cyanotech's marketing director.

The most important challenge now facing Cyanotech is further increasing Spirulina sales; Spirulina sales have, during the quarter, been aggressively driven to new record levels, but they have not kept up with the largely unanticipated step function increase in Spirulina production. As a consequence, Spirulina inventory is at a higher level than is required. This prevents the company from achieving its full cash flow potential. Management believes that Spirulina sales will catch up with Spirulina production by year end.

Cyanotech recently announced the imminent closure of its Woodinville, Wash., operation. This will consolidate all of the company's resources in Hawaii. This process is expected to be completed by the end of October. Besides organizational and efficiency gains, further material operating cost reductions are anticipated. Management believes that the costs associated with the consolidation will be recovered within a few months of its completion, and will have a positive net effect on operating results for the current fiscal year.

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#90221p3812 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKFORD, IL (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Pioneer Financial Services Inc. (NYSE: PFS), a national insurance and marketing company, today reported record income for the second quarter of 1990.

For the quarter, net income was $4,899,000, a 29 percent increase over

$3,794,000 in the second quarter of 1989. On a primary earnings per share basis, net income was $.65, up 14 percent from $.57. Fully diluted earnings per share were $.58. Net realized investment gains for the quarter accounted for $.01 per primary and fully diluted share. Total revenues for the quarter were $139,311,000, a 58 percent increase over $88,070,000 in 1989.

Total assets increased 74 percent to $915,173,000, against $524,687,000 at June 30, 1989. Stockholders' equity rose 21 percent to $89,756,000 from $74,101,000.

Pioneer, through its subsidiaries, principally underwrites and markets selected lines of accident and health benefits and insurance. The company's products are marketed in 49 states.

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#90221p3814 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal (NYSE: UCL) announced today it would freeze prices retail dealers and marketers pay for gasoline until midnight Aug. 16.

The company took the action in response to President Bush's request to the oil industry to avoid further gasoline price increases.

Unocal agrees with the President that gasoline pricing should be fair and responsible. The company has been following such a policy. Since the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq last week, spot prices for crude oil and gasoline, which reflect the volatile world market, have risen about 20 cents per gallon. During the period, Unocal has raised gasoline prices to its dealers four to seven cents per gallon in major markets on the West Coast. The company must maintain its normal pricing position to guard against a supply-demand imbalance for its marketing system.

The company will re-examine its price-freeze policy after Aug. 16. While Unocal gasoline prices are frozen, the company is confident that its dealers and marketers, who are independent businessmen, will be equally responsible in their pricing decisions.

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#90221p3823 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
EDISON, N.J. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - L. Donald LaTorre, Engelhard

Corporation's (NYSE: EC) chief operating officer, was elected a director of the corporation today.

LaTorre will fill the unexpired term of Fredric M. Guist who recently resigned from the board. The term will expire in 1993.

LaTorre, 52, was elected chief operating officer in June. He joined Engelhard in 1984 and most recently served as president of the company's pigments and additives division, where he presided over the significant growth of Engelhard's worldwide paper pigments and chemicals and specialty minerals and colors businesses. LaTorre has extensive experience in the specialty chemical industry, having served in various management positions with both BASF Wyandotte Corporation and Diamond Shamrock.

Engelhard Corporation is a world leading provider of specialty chemical products, engineered materials and precious metal management services.

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#90221p3825 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Shared Technologies Inc. (STI) (NASDAQ: STCH) announced today the signing of an agreement with Platinum Tower Associates, Ltd. to provide Shared Tenant Services (STS) to the tenants of Platinum Tower, a 17 floor, 305,000 rentable square foot office building. Platinum Tower, located in the heart of the Galleria Business District, serves to solidify STI's powerful presence in the Atlanta business community.

STI also provides its services to tenants in a number of other buildings throughout Atlanta; including, Atlanta Financial Center, Atlanta Plaza, Buckhead Plaza, Crown Pointe, and The Terraces.

"STI customizes communications packages for tenants of all sizes, providing them with discounted long-distance services and cost-effective local service, as well as a variety of voice and data communications systems designed to meet the diversity of today's business environment," said Richard Snyder, regional vice president. "The presence of an on-site STS provider eliminates the time and cost involved in confusing day-to-day telecommunications decisions. Tenants at Platinum Tower can concentrate in running their business while STI experts, located in the buildings, put together the right communications systems and services package need to fill their business communications requirements."

STI is a leading provider of shared tenant services nationwide, with its headquarters in Wethersfield, Conn. STI provides its services to 45 buildings and convention centers in Atlanta, Seattle, Boston, Los Angeles,

Phoenix, Chicago, New York, Hartford, Memphis, Nashville, New Orleans, Birmingham, Ala., and Mahwah, N.J. STI also provides shared services in the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center in New York City and the World Trade Center in Boston.

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#90221p3829 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WASHINGTON, PA. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Regal Communications Corp. (NASDAQ: RCOM), today announced that profits for the quarter ended June 30 1990, increased more than 500 percent to $544,407 compared to $90,366 for the third quarter 1989.

Revenue for the quarter was $3,527,553 compared to $1,705,266 in 1989, an increase of 107 percent. The company also reported record profits and revenue for the nine months ended June 30, 1990. Profits increased 570 percent to $1,735,424 compared to $258,964 in 1989, with revenue increasing 99 percent to $9,704,461 from $4,868,106, in 1989.

Regal operates 900 audiotex telephone services and publishes Lottery Players Magazine. In making the announcement, Melisa Hoffrichter, director of Investor Relations, attributed the results to strong growth in the "900 industry" in general which positively effected the company. Hoffrichter added, "The company sees tremendous opportunities in '900' as the product gains further consumer and business acceptance, and we are positioning the company to further participate in the industry's anticipated growth.

REGAL COMMUNICATIONS CORP.
(Dollars in thousands, except per-share data)

	3rd. Quarter		Pct.	9 Months		Pct.
	1990	1989	chg.	1990	1989	chg.
Revenue	$3,527	$1,705	107	$9,704	$4,868	99
Net income from operations	639	122	424	1,492	330	352
Income tax (benefit)	94	32	194	(243)	71	N/C
Net income	544	90	504	1,735	259	570
Earnings per share	$.048	$.009	444	$.153	$.027	467

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#90221p3831 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) (Conrail) is expanding its transloading operations and formed a Transloading Services group as part of its Marketing and Sales organization.

Robert E. Mortensen heads the group as assistant vice president-Transloading Services.

"The Transloading Services unit will help Conrail's customers benefit from the cost and service advantages inherent in long-haul rail transportation and local truck delivery," said Gordon H. Kuhn, senior vice president-Marketing and Sales. "The array of services offered will provide customers with additional transportation alternatives and attract new business to the railroad."

"The level of service we provide will match the needs of the individual customer," Mortensen said. "This customized service allows Conrail's customers to enter new markets without huge capital investments in facilities."

Services being explored by the Transloading Services unit range from providing public-access "team-track" space for customers who can transload materials on an as-needed basis to full-service transloading operations including warehousing and inventory control. Opportunities involving transloading operations between rail and barge are also being explored.

The Transloading Services group is responsible for targeting new business opportunities involving transloading operations; managing Conrail's Flexi-Flo operations for shippers of liquid and dry bulk commodities; and Conrail's relationships with privately owned transfer facilities.

Mortensen had served as assistant vice president-Forecasting, Planning and Control since 1979. He began his railroad career in 1967 with the New York Central, a Conrail predecessor, and served in various marketing, forecasting and planning positions with the New York Central, the Penn Central and Conrail. Mortensen holds a bachelor of science degree in speech and a master of business administration degree, both from Rutgers University.

Conrail provides rail freight transportation service in 14 Northeastern and Midwestern states, the District of Columbia, and the Province of Quebec.

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#90221p3832 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. LOUIS, (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Edison Brothers Stores Inc. (NYSE: EBS) reports sales of $87.4 million for the four weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990. This compares with $71.3 million for the four weeks ended Aug. 5, 1989, an increase of $16.1 million, or 22.6 percent. July results include the first full month of sales for the new Mall Entertainment Division.

For the 26 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990, sales amounted to $520.9 million. This is an increase of $72.8 million, or 16.2 percent, as compared with $448.1 million for the 26 weeks ended Aug. 5, 1989.

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#90221p3833 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
MONTVALE, N.J. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Datascope Corp. (NASDAQ: DSCP) reported fourth quarter net earnings of $1.9 million or $0.37 per share. This compares with $2.8 million or $0.55 per share in the year-ago period. Sales in the fourth quarter were $35.7 million, up 15.4 percent from last year.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, net earnings were $9.3 million, or $1.80 per share, including net non-recurring income of $3.6 million, or $0.70 per share, reflecting the company's gain from the settlement of all patent litigation between Datascope and Kontron, Inc., net of certain non-recurring expenses. This compares with $10.5 million, or $2.02 per share, in the previous fiscal year. Sales advanced 6.2 percent to $120 million from $113 million in fiscal 1989.

As the company had anticipated, earnings in fiscal 1990 were adversely affected by substantial start-up costs of entering the PTCA business, and lower sales in the IABP business due to the return to the market of a principal competitor and a slowdown in market growth. Also, earnings were impacted by the costs of correcting previously reported monitoring production problems encountered in the second quarter. The company noted that sales of monitoring products continued to strengthen in the fourth quarter signaling an expected upturn in monitoring sales growth in fiscal 1991.

The company has filed a pre-market approval application with the FDA for its Integra (TM) PTCA catheter, and is hopeful that its application will be placed before an FDA Panel meeting in October 1990. Assuming no extraordinary delay in receiving FDA approval following a panel recommendation for approval, the company expects to begin marketing the Integra in the United States in early calendar 1991.

The company believes that the timely entry of the Integra catheter

enhances the opportunity to capture market share against fixed-wire competition. The Integra catheter offers functional advantages of both types of currently available catheters, having the low profile of the fixed-wire type catheter and the freely rotating guidewire of the over-the-wire type catheter.

Assuming only a modest contribution from its planned PTCA market entry, the Company foresees healthy growth in sales and earnings in fiscal 1991 based on expectations of reduced losses in its PTCA business, continued growth in monitoring sales, essentially flat performance of its IABP business, and contributions from rapid growth of its InterVascular subsidiary.

Datascope Corp. is a manufacturer of proprietary products for clinical health care markets in interventional cardiology, anesthesiology, and cardiovascular and vascular surgery.

SUMMARY OF OPERATING RESULTS

	Year Ended		3 Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Sales	$120,150,000	$113,150,000	$35,650,000	$30,900,000
Earnings before taxes on inc.	14,124,000(A)	16,005,000	2,687,000	3,860,000
Taxes on inc.	4,828,000	5,526,000	779,000	1,014,000
Net earnings	9,296,000	10,479,000	1,908,000	2,846,000
Fully diluted earns. per share	$1.80(A)	$2.02	$0.37	$0.55
Fully diluted shares outstanding	5,166,000	5,186,000	5,153,000	5,172,000

(A) -- Earnings before taxes on income includes non-recurring pre-tax income of $6 million, equivalent to after-tax income of $0.70 per common share. The non-recurring gain was due to the settlement of all patent litigation with Kontron, Inc., net of $1.5 million legal expenses and a non-recurring incentive compensation expense of $4.5 million arising from the acquisition of InterVascular, Inc.

CONTACT: Murray Pitkowsky, chief financial officer of Datascope, 201-307-5504

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#90221p3834 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Companies that rely on United Parcel Service to deliver their express packages are looking for alternative delivery services in the event that UPS workers go on strike, according to Marvin Stone, vice-president and director of Twilight Express, a Northeast overnight delivery firm. Stone said today that shippers are often turning to smaller, regional firms for their package delivery needs. He added

that many of his competitors, eager for a chance to win new clients, are scrambling to hire temporary workers and lease additional vehicles.

One factor that has prompted the move toward regional delivery services, according to Stone, is the recent announcement by UPS' largest competitor, Roadway Package Service (RPS), that it would no longer accept new accounts. RPS acknowledged it would be absorbing a substantially higher volume of packages from its current customers if UPS were to strike, and did not want to compromise service for its loyal customers.

In a letter sent to clients July 24, UPS informed its customers that its three-year contract with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters was due to expire July 31 at midnight, and if an agreement were not reached by that time, service "could be subject to considerable delay." UPS and the Teamsters Union since agreed to a ten-day extension to complete its balloting process. The counting of ballots will be completed Friday, and, should the union reject UPS' offer, wildcat walkouts or a strike could occur.

Stone said that the possibility of a strike has been a mixed blessing for Twilight Express. "We have been inundated with calls from people looking for an alternative delivery company in the event of a strike. Although many of these calls are from businesses that traditionally use UPS ground service, Twilight offers only overnight express service. But we are an alternative to UPS Next-Day and Second- Day Air, and since that market represents approximately 15 percent of UPS' total volume, we are welcoming any and all concerned shippers."

Founded last November, Twilight Express has grown rapidly by marketing itself as a low-cost alternative to larger overnight delivery services. Twilight Express currently serves some 1,700 communities from Northern Virginia to Maine, and both revenue and shipment count have increased an average of 15 percent a month since its inception. Recent clients include the Upjohn Corporation, Barclays Bank, R.R. Donnelley, Colt Industries, Liberty Mutual Insurance and the Loews Corporation.

Twilight Express is a wholly owned subsidiary of Choice Courier Systems, Inc., the nation's largest privately owned on-ground courier. By making use of its parent company's existing on-ground network, Twilight Express can deliver packages overnight within the Northeast for about half the price of its better known competitors, which include Federal Express and UPS Next-Day Air.

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#90221p3840 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
VERNON, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Far West's (FWT) sales for the first six months of 1990 were $3,400,000. This represents a decrease of 27 percent over sales of $4,682,883 for the same period in 1989. The net loss for the first six months was $275,504 or $0.06 per share compared to a Net Income of $181,665 or $0.04 per share for the same period in 1989.

The current economic slow down in both Canada and the United States is expected to result in our sales and Net Income for the year ending Dec. 31 1990 to be less than the same period in 1989. This was discussed in our first quarter report to the shareholders and at our annual general meeting. Slow consumer demand has resulted in inventory carryovers at the retail level and we expect this situation to continue throughout 1990. In the event that consumer demand picks up during the Fall 1990 selling season our customers are aware that we have the capacity to accept orders for immediate delivery.

As announced at the annual general meeting we have established an International Export Department. The mandate for this department is to generate sales outside North America. At present the emphasis is being placed on establishing contacts in the United Kingdom, Europe, the Pacific Rim countries and Australia. This department is in the very early stages of development. Contacts have been made with distributors in Australia, Italy, Japan and England and negotiations are in the preliminary stages.

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#90221p3844 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Energy Service Co. Inc. (ENSCO) (AMEX: ESV) reported a net loss of $2,974,000, or $0.05 per common share, on revenues of $41,576,000 for the quarter ending June 30, 1990. This compares to net income of $426,000, or a loss of $0.01 per common share, on revenues of $38,898,000 for the second quarter of 1989.

For the first half of 1990, the company's net loss was $1,961,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $85,560,000. This compares to a net loss of $481,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $75,549,000 for the first half of 1989.

Consolidated revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1990, increased by $2,678,000, or 6.9 percent, while operating margins declined by $573,000, or 10.2 percent, compared to the same period in 1989. Second quarter results were adversely affected by slower sales and reduced margins for oilfield tubulars and production equipment in the company's supply segment. In addition, in March 1990, the company sold two jackup

rigs, which, in the prior year, had made a positive contribution to operating results. In addition, the operating results in the second quarter were adversely affected as depreciation, depletion and amortization charges increased by $1,742,000, or 58.4 percent, and general and administrative expenses increased by $1,324,000, or 99.0 percent, compared to the second quarter of 1989.

Revenues and margins increased in three of the company's five operating segments during the second quarter of 1990, reflecting higher utilization, day rates and fleet size in the marine segment; increased demand for horizontal drilling in the technical services segment; and increased oil and gas production in the oil and gas segment.

The company's investment in Penrod Drilling Corp. is currently accounted for under the cost method and therefore did not have any impact on ENSCO's financial results during the first half of 1990. As previously announced, ENSCO and its partners, together with an unaffiliated group, have an agreement to purchase the remaining 31.3 percent of Penrod's equity and senior debt that they do not already own. Following the completion of such purchase, which is anticipated to occur prior to Oct. 31, 1990, ENSCO's financial results will reflect its approximate 20 percent interest in Penrod's losses or earnings under the equity accounting method.

ENSCO, headquartered in Houston, is engaged in providing contract drilling and related energy services to the international petroleum industry. ENSCO's common stock and preferred stock trade on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol ESV.

CONTACT: Cathy Clonts of Energy Service Co. Inc., 713-496-6060

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#90221p3845 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Inacomp Computer Centers, Inc. (NASDAQ: INAC) has been named one of the nation's fastest-growing companies by Financial World magazine. In a listing of the Financial World Growth 500 published Aug. 7, Inacomp was ranked the 66th fastest- growing company in the country. By comparison, Apple Computer, one of the computer industry's "Big 3," ranked 81st. The listing is based on the companies' financial growth over the past five years.

"Inacomp is very proud and excited to have been recognized by Financial World," said Rick Inatome, Inacomp chairman, president, and chief executive officer. "Inacomp has achieved an average financial growth rate of more than 29 percent during the past five years, quite a feat in an industry as rapidly changing as ours."

Inacomp closed the books on its 14th fiscal year on July 28, 1990, and

plans to announce its final financial results within the next few weeks. Revenues for fiscal year 1990 are expected to reach nearly $500 million.

Inacomp Computer Centers, Inc. markets microcomputer systems and related products and services through more than 200 company-owned, franchised, and affiliate locations across the country. The company provides system consultation, installation, classroom training, system maintenance and repair to its customers. Inacomp also provides short- term rental and long-term leasing of microcomputer systems. Corporate offices are in Troy.

CONTACT: Joan Brancheau of Inacomp Computer Centers, Inc., 313-649-5580, ext. 409.

-30- 1724

#90221p3849 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW HYDE PARK, NY (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Uniforce Temporary Personnel, Inc. (NASDAQ: UNFR) today announced its revenues and earnings for the second quarter 1990. Revenues were $28,136,115 for the quarter ending June 30, 1990, 2.0 percent over the second quarter of 1989. Net earnings for the quarter were $887,912, ($.19 per share) vs. $889,907 ($.19 per share) in 1989.

Reflecting on the company's second quarter performance, John Fanning, president and chief executive officer, stated,: "We're feeling the effects of a general economic flatness. However, we remain focused on achieving the financial goals we've established for 1990 through the strong pursuit of acquisitions and conversions of independent temporary services to the Uniforce system."

The company, under its trade name, Uniforce Temporary Services, is a national network of 108 predominately licensed offices providing temporary personnel in the general and automated office, marketing, accounting, technical, records management, hospitality and light industrial service categories. The Uniforce Common Stock is traded in the over-the-counter market.

UNIFORCE TEMPORARY PERSONNEL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Financial Highlights
(unaudited)

Period ended:	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues (A)	28,136,115	$27,589,457	$56,114,945	$54,553,534
Net earns. bef. cumul. effect of accounting change	887,912	889,907	1,710,551	1,697,916
Cumul. effect of change in accounting for				

income taxes (B)	--	--	--	410,000
Net earnings	887,912	889,907	1,710,551	2,107,916
Wtd. avg. number of shares outstg.	4,555,410	4,641,754	4,585,521	4,613,946
Earnings per share Net earns. bef. cumul. effect of accounting change	$.19	$.19	$.37	$.37
Cumul. effect of change in accounting for income taxes (B)	--	--	--	.09
Net earns. per share	$.19	$.19	$.37	$.46

(A) 1989 has been reclassified to conform to the 1990 presentation (B) On Jan. 1, 1989, the company adopted the provisions of FASB No. 96, Accounting for Income Taxes, and recognized a one-time benefit of $410,000 ($.09 per share).

CONTACT: Harry Maccarrone, VP and CFO of Uniforce Temporary Personnel, 516-437-3300.

-30- 2758

#90221p3855 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines announced today that it will implement a 5.3 percent fare increase for all domestic flights effective Aug. 15.

"This action follows our careful review of escalating fuel costs," said John C. Pope, executive vice president-marketing and planning. "We will continue to evaluate closely the situation so as to minimize the impact higher fuel costs have on our customers."

United added that for every 1 cent increase per gallon in the price of jet fuel, its annual fuel costs increase by $22.5 million.

CONTACT: Rob Doughty, 708-952-4195; Sara Dornacker, 708-952-6561; or Joe Hopkins, 708-952-5770, all of United Airlines

-30- 857

#90221p3859 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Maytag Corporation's (NYSE: MYG) board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of 22.5 cents a share on the firm's common stock during a meeting here today.

The dividend is payable Sept. 15 to shareowners of record at the close of business Aug. 31.

CONTACT: James G. Powell of Maytag, 515-791-8392

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#90221p3860 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

TREVOSE, PA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Betz Laboratories (NASDAQ: BETZ) today declared a dividend of $4 per share payable on Sept. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 1, of Series A ESOP Convertible Preferred Stock.

CONTACT: R. Dale Voncanon, vice president-Finance of Betz Laboratories, 215-355-3300.

-30- 475
#90221p3862 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - S. Kent Rockwell, chairman and chief executive officer of Astrotech International Corporation (AMEX: AIX) today announced that Astrotech reported net income of $102,000 on revenues of $6.4 million for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $248,000 on revenues of $4.8 million for the comparable quarter last year.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, Astrotech had net income of $775,000 on revenues of $18.6 million. This compares with net income of $164,000 on revenues of $7 million for the comparable period of last year.

After provision for preferred stock dividends, the net loss applicable to common shares was $216,000 or $.08 per common share for the third quarter of fiscal 1990, compared to a net loss applicable to common shares, after provision for preferred stock dividends, of $89,000 or $.04 per common share for the third quarter of fiscal 1989. After provision for preferred stock dividends, the net loss applicable to common shares for the nine-month period ended June 30, 1990, was $198,000 or $.08 per common share compared to a net loss applicable to common shares, after provision for preferred stock dividends, or $850,000 or $.43 per common share for the comparable period last year.

Astrotech is principally involved in the fabrication and installation of seals in oil storage tanks and also provides environmental compliance, inspection, engineering and design services for projects that involve either modification or repair to storage tanks.

Astrotech's common stock, $1.20 Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock and Warrants currently trade on the American Stock Exchange under the symbols AIX, AIXpf and AIXws, respectively. The preferred stock is convertible into common stock at the option of the holder at declining rates through

Sept. 30, 1992. Any preferred stock outstanding on Oct. 31, 1992, will automatically be converted into 4.70 shares of common stock.

CONTACT: Raymond T. Royko, vice president and secretary of Astrotech International, 412-391-1896

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#90221p3864 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

TEL AVIV, ISRAEL (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Laser Industries Ltd. (AMEX: LAS) today reported financial results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales for the three-month period ended June 30, 1990, were $8,725,000 compared with $8,028,000 for the same quarter a year ago. The company incurred a net loss for the quarter of $66,000, or $0.01 per share, compared with net loss of $1,551,000, or $0.33 per share, for the second quarter of the prior year.

For the first six months of 1990, the company had net sales of $16,253,000 compared with $15,385,000 for the similar 1989 period. Year-to-date net loss amounted to $1,081,000, or $0.23 per share, compared with a net loss of $3,050,000, or $0.65 per share, for the comparable six-month period in 1989.

Net loss for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 1990, includes a provision for income tax in the amount of $300,000 and an extraordinary income of $699,000 resulting from the purchase of $1,195,000 aggregate principal amount of the company's 8 percent convertible subordinated debentures due Sept. 15, 2006.

David Meridor, president of Laser Industries, commented that the second quarter reflects an upward trend in sales, resulting from the introduction of various new products and accessories and the growing number of approved applications for procedures carried out with the company's products.

Laser Industries Ltd. is a leader in the design, development, manufacture and marketing of medical laser systems and accessories sold under the trade name "Sharplan."

CONTACT: Yacha Sutton of Laser Industries, 972-3-499-590; or Yigal Baruch of Sharplan Lasers, 201-327-1666; or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe, 212-545-8400, both of Wolfe Lombard, for Laser Industries

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#90221p3865 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Apple Bancorp, Inc. (NYSE: APK) announced

today that it has fixed Aug. 23, 1990, as the record date for the company's 1990 annual meeting of shareholders and has scheduled Oct. 1, 1990, as the date for the meeting.

CONTACT: Jerome R. McDougal, Jr., of Apple Bancorp, 212-573-8014

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#90221p3867 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Foote, Cone & Belding Communcations, Inc. (NYSE: FCB), today reported a net income gain of 9.4 percent for the second quarter, and noted that the comparable year-ago period included a one-time income gain of $880,000. Second quarter revenues gained 6.4 percent; while first half earnings were off slightly compared to 1989.

Net income for the second quarter ending June 30, 1990, was $7,474,000 or $.73 per share, an increase of 9.4 percent from 1989 second quarter earnings of $6,833,000 or $.67 per share.

Revenues for the consolidated portion of FCB's operations totaled $84,720,000, up 6.4 percent from 1989 second quarter revenues of $79,627,000. FCB's proportionate share of European revenues also increased substantially to $51,785,000, compared to $41,262,000 in 1989.

Operating margins for consolidated operations were $7,553,000 or 8.9 percent of revenues compared to $7,004,000 or 8.8 percent of revenues in the prior year's quarter.

Equity income, primarily FCB's share of European operations resulting from its alliance with Publicis Communication, was $4,397,000 in 1990, compared to $2,909,000 in 1989. This reflects both improved European operating performance and a reduction in agency rationalization expenses connected with the alliance in 1989.

Second quarter 1989 results included a gain on the sale of Golin/Harris Communications Inc. and a charge to settle future lease obligations in Canada. On an after-tax basis, these items added $880,000 or $.09 per share to 1989 net income.

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $8,815,000 or $.86 per share, compared to $9,118,000 or $.90 per share in 1989.

Revenues totaled $156,910,000 in 1990, compared to $156,965,000 in 1989 for the consolidated operations. After adjusting for the 1989 divestiture of Golin/Harris, revenues were up 3.4 percent from the prior year. FCB's proportionate share of European revenues increased from $74,414,000 in 1989 to $90,967,000 in 1990. Equity income increased to $5,285,000 compared to $2,752,000 in 1989 due to the improvement in Europe.

FCB is the fifth largest advertising agency in the United States and the seventh largest worldwide. Its network includes 153 offices in 40 countries, with worldwide billings totaling $4.6 bullion.

CONTACT: Charles Gunderson of FCB, 312-751-7000

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#90221p3870 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

GEORGE TOWN, Grand Cayman, British West Indies (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Florida Employers Insurance Company (NASDAQ-NMS: FLAEF) announced today that its earnings for the six months ended June 30, 1990 were $1,759,586 or 78 cents per share. Earnings for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $943,616 or 42 cents per share. The earnings reported for the similar six month and three month periods in 1989 were $1,958,949 or 87 cents per share and $968,163 or 43 cents per share, respectively.

The company also announced its continued quarterly dividend of 7 cents per share, with the next dividend payable Aug. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record on Aug. 15, 1990.

In addition, the company has recently received updated information on the status of its funds on deposit with British and Commonwealth Merchant Bank (Guernsey) Limited (BCMB-Guernsey). As previously reported, these deposits, approximately $6.1 million, have been frozen and have been unavailable to the company since early June as the result of BCMB-Guernsey's parent company, British and Commonwealth Merchant Bank plc (BCMB-London) being placed in administration. The administrators of BCMB-London have prepared and released a report which contains unaudited financial information prepared by management of BCMB-London on a consistent basis with past years showing shareholders' funds of approximately 89.75 million pounds, as of June 30, 1990. The administrators report that, in accordance with the Administrative Order, they are currently negotiating with parties showing a serious interest for a sale of BCMB-London to enable all creditors and depositors to be paid in full. Interest continues to accrue on the company's deposit.

CONTACT: Ray Neff of Florida Employers Insurance Company, 813-951-3605.

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#90221p3882 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - At a regular meeting today, the board of directors of Pitt-Des Moines Inc. (AMEX: PDM) declared a quarterly dividend of $.20 per share of common stock payable Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990.

Pitt-Des Moines Inc. and its subsidiaries operate four basic business units: Standard Products, Technology Products and Services, Steel Construction and Service Centers. PDM(R) provides a wide range of custom engineered products, structures and facilities for commercial, industrial, municipal and governmental customers in addition to processing and distributing a general line of carbon steel products.

PDM has facilities in the following locations: Atlanta; Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Chicago, Columbus, Ohio; Costa Mesa, Calif.; Des Moines, Iowa; Fresno, Calif.; Fullerton Calif.; Houston; Morristown, N.J.; Pittsburgh, Sacramento, Calif., Santa Clara, Calif.; Spanish Fork, Utah; Sparks, Nev.; Stockton, Calif.; Tenio, Wash., and Tualatin, Ore.

CONTACT: Gordon C. Scott of Pitt-Des Moines Inc., 412-331-3000

-30- 1244

#90221p3883 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

READING, PA. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Two new directors were elected to the Carpenter Technology Corp. (NYSE: CRS) board of directors today, bringing board membership to 15.

Elected to the board were: -- Dr. C. McCollister Evarts, senior vice president for Health Affairs, dean of the College of Medicine and professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at The Pennsylvania State University.

-- James A. Flick Jr., executive vice president, chief financial officer and director of USF&G Corp.

Paul R. Roedel, Carpenter's chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We are fortunate to have such qualified people join Carpenter's board. They bring a wealth of experience and diversity of knowledge that will be invaluable in helping Carpenter manage in an increasingly competitive world marketplace."

Evarts received a bachelor's degree in zoology from Colgate University and a medical degree from the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry.

Before joining Penn State, Evarts was professor and chairman of the Department of Orthopaedics and vice president for development at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry. His special area of interest and expertise is adult reconstructive surgery. He serves on the board of directors for the National Association of Biomedical Research, the Hershey Trust and the Hershey Bank, and is a member of the board of managers of the Milton Hershey School.

Flick is a graduate of the University of Maryland with a bachelor of

science degree in accounting. After graduation, he joined Ernst & Whinney (now Ernst & Young), a public accounting firm, where he held a variety of positions, including managing partner of the Harrisburg office in 1971 and the Baltimore office in 1978.

He joined USF&G in November 1988 in his current position. Flick serves as a director of the Dome Corp. and serves on numerous community and educational boards of directors.

CONTACT: Robert M. Holmes of Carpenter Technology, 215-371-2639

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#90221p3891 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATTLEBORO, MA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Marshall Tulin, president of Swank, Inc. (NASDAQ: SNKI) today reported sales and earnings for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Tulin indicated the decline in earnings for this period is attributable to the softness in retail sales during the first half of 1990. Cost-saving measures have been instituted in response to this sluggish retail outlook.

Swank manufactures and markets men's and women's jewelry, belts, personal leather goods, fragrances and gift items. The company distributes its products to retail outlets throughout the United States and in 50 foreign countries. These products which are known throughout the world, are distributed under the names "Swank," "Colours by Alexander Julian," "Royal Copenhagen," "Pierre Cardin," "L'Aiglon," "Anne Klein," "Richard Scott," "Etienne Aigner," "90 Park," and Anne Klein for Men," among others. Swank, Inc. also manufactures jewelry and leather items for distribution under private label.

SWANK, INC.

Financial Summary (In thousands)

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$25,214	$24,362	$49,035	$50,444
Loss before federal tax	3,355	2,778	4,430	1,711
Net loss	2,210	1,751	2,927	1,071
Net loss per share	14 cents	11 cents	18 cents	7 cents
Average shares and equivalents outstanding	16,247,579	15,995,288	16,232,329	15,927,069

CONTACT: A.C. Corsini of Swank Inc., 508-222-3400

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#90221p3893 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
SEMINOLE, FL (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Gerald M. Benstock, chairman and CEO of Superior Surgical Mfg. Co., Inc. (AMEX: SGC), manufacturer of uniforms, career apparel and accessories, today announced that the board of directors had declared a quarterly dividend of $.18 per share, payable Sept. 6, 1990 to shareholders of record Aug. 23, 1990.

At the board meeting Benstock said: "Having just achieved the greatest sales and earnings results for any second quarter and first six month period in this company's history, and with a strong backlog of orders, we are confident that 1990 will surpass all previous records."

Superior Surgical manufactures and sells a wide range of uniforms, career apparel and accessories for the hospital and healthcare fields; hotels; fast food and other restaurants; and public safety, industrial, transportation and commercial markets.

CONTACT: Gerald M. Benstock, chairman and CEO of Superior Surgical Mfg. Co., Inc., 813-397-9611

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#90221p3895 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced Thursday that it has cited Michael Sadd, owner of Sadd Laundry and Dry Cleaning Supplies, for violations of federal hazardous waste management laws, and proposed civil penalties totaling $34,698.

This enforcement action resulted from an inspection of the facility, located at 1359 Colburn St., Honolulu, Hawaii, by the Hawaii Department of Health.

The complaint cited Sadd for violations of federal requirements for the transportation of hazardous wastes. Sadd ships wastes containing perchloroethylene, a hazardous material, from dry cleaners to its facility. The wastes are then transported to a treatment, storage or disposal facility in California. EPA regulations require proper manifests to accompany each load of hazardous waste transported. This documentation was lacking at the time of the facility inspection.

Sadd was also charged with storage of hazardous wastes without a permit. Federal law allows a transporter of hazardous wastes to store this material for up to 10 days without applying for a permit. The order cites Sadd for storing wastes for at least 390 days before moving this material offsite for transport to a disposal facility.

Sadd Laundry and Dry Cleaning Supplies must respond to the EPA order by Sept. 3.

CONTACT: Al Zemsky of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 415-556-5138

-30- 1620

#90221p3896 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALMERTON, PA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Horsehead Resource Development Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: HHRD) today reported revenues of $12.5 million and net income of $4.5 million, or $.14 per share, for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990. For the comparable period last year, the company's revenues were $11.4 million with net income of $2.6 million, or $.08 per share, exclusive of a one-time gain on the sale of assets which added $3.5 million of net income, or $.11 per share, to 1989s results.

For the six months HRD reported revenues of $24.1 million and net income of $8.3 million, or $.26 per share. For the comparable period a year ago, HRD's revenues were $22.2 million with net income of $4.8 million, or $.15 per share, exclusive of the asset sale.

"Our EAF dust processing business continues at a strong pace," James H. David, president and CEO reported. "We were sold out throughout the quarter and were able to institute a price increase. Our capacity expansions at Rockwood, Tenn., and Palmerton, Pa., remain on schedule for start-up in the fourth quarter. Further, we signed new three-year labor agreements at our large Palmerton, Pa., facility."

HRD is a leader in specialized hazardous waste/resource recovery services emphasizing the recovery of zinc, lead and cadmium from electric arc furnace dust, and the recycling of these materials into useful products.

CONTACT: Robert L. Hoguet of Horsehead Resource Development, 212-527-3025

-30- 1649

#90221p3897 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) today announced a network management service that allows large corporations to route and control domestic and international toll-free calls on a virtually real-time basis to accommodate changing call volumes throughout the work day.

MCI is the first long distance carrier to extend this capability to customers using international toll-free inbound, as well as domestic 800

service.

Available now, MCI's 800 CM (Configuration Management) capability enables customers to access MCI's 800 network intelligence through an on-site customer terminal. Using either dial-up or dedicated access, customers can change their 800 network routing and, within an average time of five minutes, can activate alternative plans stored in the MCI 800 routing database.

This network management tool, offered as an advanced feature of MCI 800 Service, is designed to allow large corporations to more efficiently manage the flow of toll-free inbound traffic between multiple calling centers.

"This capability is critical to companies who use 800 service as a strategic business tool in key sales and service applications here and abroad," said Greg LeVert, MCI vice president for large accounts.

"In today's business environment, 800 customers require tools to maximize their call handling capacity and to balance traffic loads to ensure all calls are answered. MCI's 800 CM is designed to meet those needs and help our customers manage their business better," LeVert said.

"It also represents an additional step in MCI's overall network management strategy to provide customers with the ability to monitor, analyze and control their MCI inbound, outbound and data services worldwide," LeVert added.

MCI, with 1989 revenue of $6.5 billion, is headquartered in Washington. It is the world's second largest long distance company and provides a full array of domestic and international voice, data, telex and electronic messaging services to business, residential and government customers.

CONTACT: MCI Communications Corporation Corporate News Bureau, 800-289-0073 or 202-887-3000

-30- 2386

#90221p3898 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Chief Consolidated Mining Co. today reported the following results:

CHIEF CONSOLIDATED MINING COMPANY
OPERATING RESULTS

Quarter ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 84,622	$ 123,979
Loss	(92,064)	(100,442)
Net loss	(92,064)	(100,442) Shr. Earns:

Loss	$ (.03)	$ (.03)
Net loss	(.03)	(.03)
Six months ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 168,430	$ 259,664
Loss	(174,635)	(85,958)
Net loss	(174,635)	(85,958) Shr. Earns:
Loss	$ (.05)	$ (.03)
Net loss	(.05)	(.03)

CONTACT: Leonard Weitz, chairman and president of Chief Consolidated Mining, 212-688-8130

-30- 1181

#90221p3899 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - McDermott International, Inc. (NYSE: MDR), announced today that McDermott Marine Construction, through the company's McDermott Incorporated subsidiary, received contracts from Shell Offshore Inc. for deck fabrication, mating of the deck and hull, and installation of the Auger Project Tension Leg Platform (TLP), its mooring system, and deepwater pipelines off the coast of Louisiana in the Garden Banks area of the Gulf of Mexico. Total value of the work is approximately $200 million.

Shell's Auger TLP is the largest structure of its kind offshore and will be installed in 2,860 feet of water in Garden Banks Block 426. Installation is scheduled for completion in early 1993.

McDermott's fabrication yards in Morgan City and New Iberia, La., and Corpus Christi, Texas, will work on portions of the project. Its Derrick Barge DB 50, with dynamic positioning capability, will assist in mating the deck and hull portions of the TLP in the Gulf and in the installation of the completed platform.

The DB 50 will also lay the pipelines, which will start in 2,860 feet of water and end in approximately 1,200 feet, making them the deepest pipelines in the Gulf. They will be installed using the vertical J-laying technique, the first commercial use of this advanced pipelaying technology.

McDermott International, Inc., is a leading worldwide energy services company. The company and its subsidiaries manufacture steam- generating equipment, defense products, and tubular products. They also provide engineering and construction services for industrial and utility facilities onshore, and to the oil and gas industry offshore.

CONTACT: Ken Salzer of McDermott, 504-587-4346.

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#90221p3913 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
TORONTO (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Cineplex Odeon Corporation (NYSE: CPX) today announced the appointment of Andrew J. Parsons to the board of directors. Parsons is senior vice president and chief financial officer of Claridge Inc. of Montreal.

His appointment fills a vacancy created by the recent resignation of Sandra D. Kolber from the Cineplex Odeon Corporation board of directors, as a result of her appointment to the board of directors of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation.

CONTACT: Jo Mira Clodman of Cineplex Odeon, 416-323-6600.

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#90221p3915 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
DOMINGUEZ, CA. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Pic 'N' Save Corp. (NASDAQ: PICN) announced today that its sales for the four weeks ended July 29, 1990 were $31,40,700, up 8.3 percent from $28,994,000 in the prior year. Sales for the 26 weeks ended July 29, 1990 were $231,642,100, up 15.7 percent from $200,281,400 in the prior year. Sales in comparable stores, excluding the 14 Job Lot Pushcart stores for the month of July and for the year to date, increased over the prior year by 2.7 percent and 5.3 percent respectively.

The company also announced that, as part of its previously announced restructuring program, it discontinued operation of its Job Lot Pushcart stores in New York and New Jersey on August 7 and 8 by conveying the facilities back to the former owner in accordance with the acquisitions agreement and by selling the inventory to a third party.

"Sales continue to be positive through the most recent month even against substantial seasonal clearance sales of discount store and department store retailers in our markets," said Lewis B. Merrifield, III, president and chief executive officer. "Although next month's sales comparison will be impacted as a result of cycling against extraordinary high sales in the prior year August from a special promotion program at that time, we continue to be very optimistic about the sales outlook for the September through December period."

The company, through its subsidiary, PNS Stores Inc. operates a chain of 176 retail stores in the Far West and the South. These stores all specialize in new, closeout, variety general merchandise which is sold at substantial reductions from original retail prices.

CONTACT: William M. Jacobs Jr., senior VP, CFO, 213-761-4210, or John F. Hoffner, VP, controller, 213-761-4246, both of Pic 'N' Save Corp.; or Michael S. Sitrick or David S. McAdam of Sitrick and Company, 213-208-1108

for Pic 'N' Save Corp.

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#90221p3917 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Air Line Pilots Association issued the following statement today in reaction to reports that Frank Lorenzo intends to sell his airline interests to SAS:

We welcome the news that Frank Lorenzo intends to divest himself of his airline interests and leave the industry. From the beginning, ALPA has maintained that Lorenzo is not fit to successfully operate an airline. His inability to sustain Eastern Airlines and Continental Airlines as viable, profitable operations in the midst of the biggest airline boom in history proves the point. We believe that the industry and the traveling public will be better served and safer with him gone.

Lorenzo, through his scorched-earth approach to labor and to other business dealings, has caused more disruption, rancor and hardship in the industry than any other individual in recent airline history. There is no way that he or anyone else can make restitution for the chaos and personal tragedies that he has inflicted in pursuit of personal gain for himself and his associates; but if the reports are correct, then we gladly accept his departure.

Nevertheless, in typical Lorenzo style, his exit leaves some troubling questions and loose ends. Lorenzo reportedly will keep a seat on the board of Continental Airlines Holdings, Inc., so his departure is not quite complete. Lorenzo appears to have relinquished control but has left his foot in the door.

The terms of his exodus and the nomination of his replacement raise questions of how much control SAS has exercised and will exercise over Continental Airlines Holdings, Inc. Many important details have yet to be revealed, but there are substantial questions over whether the stock ownership by SAS is within the limits prescribed by law. Furthermore, as the recent Discovery Airways case showed, the lack of majority ownership of stock in an airline is not always equivalent to a lack of actual control. We will be monitoring this transaction to assure that the spirit as well as the letter of the law forbidding foreign control of U.S. air carriers is not violated. The question of SAS control also could have ramifications for SAS if Eastern defaults on its pension obligation of as much as $800 million, because under the law Continental Holdings will be held liable for that obligation.

The Eastern pilots Master Executive Council will examine what effect Lorenzo's departure may have on their contract dispute. The pilot contract talks were declared at an impasse last month. The 30-day

cooling off period expires at midnight the evening of Friday, Aug. 10, after which Eastern would be free to impose its last offer and the pilots would be free to strike.

Finally, we note that Lorenzo bailed out with a golden parachute. This may raise some interesting questions for Eastern's unsecured creditors, who have yet to be paid the first dollar by the bankrupt subsidiary of Continental Holdings. Continental Holdings stockholders, who saw their shares plummet to today's $4.50 level from a high in excess of $40 a few years ago, may want to question why Lorenzo was able to sell his shares to SAS at more than triple the current street value.

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SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Lancer Corp. (AMEX: LANCER), a San Antonio-based leading manufacturer of fountain soft drink and other beverage dispensing systems sold worldwide, today announced results of operations for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 1990. Lancer Corp., currently with 550 employees, was founded 23 years ago.

Revenues for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, were $21,190,289 compared with $16,229,819 for the previous year's six-month total. Revenues for this year's second quarter amounted to $12,033,485 compared to $8,361,892 generated during last year's second quarter. These increases reflect renewed demand for the company's citrus dispenser and a overall increase in all other product lines.

Net earnings for the six-months and quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $708,215 and $542,682, respectively, as compared to the prior year's totals of $455,480 and $214,010.

The net earnings per share for the six months and second quarter ended June 30, 1990, increased to $.30 and $.23, respectively, from $.20 and $.09 for the comparable period in 1989.

Earnings as a percentage of sales have been lower in 1990 than 1989 due to the generally higher unit cost of inventory held at year-end in 1989 compared to 1988. Unit costs increased in 1989 due to assembly line relocations and reduced sales volume, but are expected to diminish in 1990 with improved manufacturing efficiency and inventory turns.

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MADISON, N.J. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Schering-Plough Corporation (NYSE: SGP) announced today that it is discontinuing its worldwide registration and marketing program for dilevalol hydrochloride (SCH 19927) in hypertension due to evolving evidence of isolated cases of liver toxicity.

"Although the actual number of hepatotoxicity cases was quite small in relation to the number of patients using dilevalol, our decision was taken in the best interest of the potential patient population for the drug," said Alexander Z. Lane, president, Schering-Plough Research.

The company is halting sale of dilevalol in the only two countries where it is marketed, Japan and Portugal, and is withdrawing applications to market the product worldwide. The company's dilevalol sales, for the first eight months since introduced overseas, totaled about $20 million.

Suspension of the company's effort to market dilevalol will have no material impact on its 1990 financial results or its projected 1990 earnings per share, which are still expected to increase by 18 to 20 percent over 1989 levels.

Dilevalol has been marketed in Portugal under the brand name 'Unicarde' since February 1990, and was introduced in Japan in December 1989 as 'Levadil' by the company's subsidiary Schering-Plough K.K. and as 'Dilevalon' by Shionogi & Co., Ltd. In the United States, the company's New Drug Application was filed in 1986. The designated brand name was 'Unicard.'

"We're obviously disappointed that this compound has encountered such a problem," observed Richard J. Kogan, president and chief operating officer. "It's part of the natural process of research and development on new therapeutic entities, though, that not all products succeed.

"Our product pipeline contains a number of important compounds in several therapeutic fields," Kogan continued. "We will continue to develop our many other compounds, a number of which are in an advanced stage of development."

Schering-Plough Corporation is a research-based company engaged primarily in the discovery, development, manufacturing and marketing of pharmaceutical and health care products worldwide.

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#90221p3924 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE: KLT) announced today that the Kansas Corporation Commission has ordered that an Aug. 24, 1990, scheduling conference be held to discuss a procedural schedule and those issues which may arise as a result of Kansas City Power & Light's July 23, 1990, application to the commission for approval of its proposed merger with Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE).

The Kansas Commission, in an Aug. 6, 1990, order, set a scheduling conference to commence at 9:30 a.m., on Aug. 24, 1990, at the commission's offices in Topeka, Kansas. The commission's order also provided that any interested parties wishing to intervene in this matter should file a petition to intervene on or before the scheduling conference convenes on Aug. 24, 1990.

On July 23, 1990, Kansas City Power & Light commenced an all cash, fully financed tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of Kansas Gas and Electric. The offer price for the common stock, approximately $857 million in the aggregate, represents a 37 percent premium over the market price of Kansas Gas and Electric on July 20, 1990, the last trading day prior to the commencement of Kansas City Power & Light's offer.

Kansas Gas and Electric, headquartered in Wichita, Kan., is an electric utility which generates, transmits, distributes and sells electricity in the southeastern quarter of Kansas, including the Wichita metropolitan area. In 1989, Kansas Gas and Electric's revenues totaled $533.5 million with net profits of $47.5 million.

As of Dec. 1989, Kansas Gas and Electric has 1,330 employees and last year provided service to over 254,000 customers.

Kansas City Power & Light, headquartered in Kansas City, Mo., is a medium-sized public utility engaged in the generation, transmission, distribution and sale of electricity. In 1989, the company's revenues exceeded $730 million and its net income was $108.6 million. Kansas City Power & Light employs over 2,800 people and currently serves over 409,000 customers ranging across a 4,700 square mile area of western Missouri and eastern Kansas.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Fabri-Centers of America, Inc., (NYSE:

FCA), today announced record high sales in both the second quarter and fiscal half ended July 28, 1990, as the seasonal loss generally experienced during this period was reduced.

Net sales in the quarter totalled $75,857,000, or 13 percent above the $67,320,000 recorded a year earlier. The net loss improved by 7 percent to $1,158,000, or 22 cents per share, compared to $1,251,000 or 24 cents per share for the second quarter of the prior year.

Through the first six months, sales of $155,995,000 were 10 percent above the $141,458,000 for the prior year. The net loss of $530,000 or 10 cents per share was 27 percent better than the prior year six month loss of $727,000, or 14 cents per share.

The reduced loss for the quarter and six months, was accomplished despite substantial startup costs associated with the relocation of the company's offices and distribution center complex from Beachwood to nearby Hudson, Ohio.

Fabri-Centers said the favorable sales results reflected significant volume gains from its strategy of shifting from small stores in regional malls to larger stores in strip shopping centers.

In the first half, the company opened 37 new prototype stores, and closed 35 smaller stores. To date the company has approximately 160 new larger prototype stores, or 26 percent of the store base. These larger stores carry a higher fixed cost and put some earning pressure on the company's weaker first and second quarters, but are anticipated to dramatically enhance profitability in the all important retail fourth quarter.

The company said that business trends are currently very good, and anticipates the full year results to be sharply improved over the prior year.

The company currently operates 617 fabric stores in 35 states, and 16 Cargo Express houseware stores.

CONTACT: Robert Norton or Alan Rosskamm, 216-656-2600, both of Fabri-Centers of America, Inc.

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#90221p3930 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas Instruments today said all semiconductor assembly and testing operations have been restarted at its Baguio, Philippines, facility. As previously announced, operations there were interrupted after the July 16th earthquake caused limited damage to the TI facility and disrupted local utility and support services in

Baguio. There were no TI injuries on site, and only a few minor injuries to employees in the Baguio area.

The majority of product at the facility was undamaged and shipments were resumed quickly. TI is working to replace lost production using expedited manufacturing schedules, subcontractors and other worldwide resources. TI expects to achieve pre-earthquake product output levels within the next two weeks, even though building and site repairs will continue for the next few months.

TI has been working closely with its customers to minimize the impact of this situation on their business activities. The third quarter financial impact to TI caused by the earthquake is still being assessed.

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-30- 1310

#90221p3932 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Alliance Bancorporation has been informed by the district director of the Internal Revenue Service in Anchorage, Ala. that no tax is due for 1987 and 1988. This action appears to resolve federal income tax issues described in the company's Form 10-K of Dec. 31, 1989. The decision was based on the fact that net operating losses exceed the proposed adjustment. Although the IRS could reconsider its decision, such action is not expected.

Resolution of the tax issues clears the way for a refund of approximately $2,234,000, including interest, from the IRS and the State of Alaska, payable to either the company or the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation receiver for the company's former wholly owned subsidiary, Alliance Bank. The recipient of the refund has not been determined.

Shareholders have adopted a plan of liquidation which calls for distribution of all assets. The distribution will be made to shareholders of record on April 10, 1990. The company's board of directors will establish the amount and timing of the distribution.

CONTACT: Allan E. Morris of Alliance Bancorporation, 216-696-1111

-30- 1324

#90221p3941 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELMIRA, NY (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Artistic Greetings Incorporated (NASDAQ: ARTG) announced today it has expanded its board of directors to seven (7) from five (5).

Added to the board are: Morty Wyman, executive vice-president of American

Greetings, Inc., and Irving Stone, chairman of the board of American Greetings.

The additions are a result of American's purchase of 40 percent of Artistic Greetings common stock in May of this year.

American Greetings (NASDAQ: AGREA), of Cleveland, is the world's largest publicly owned manufacturer of greeting cards. Artistic Greetings, Inc. specializes in the manufacture and direct mailing of personalized products such as name labels, stationery, pens, pencils, and luggage tags. Artistic also mails four different consumer- oriented catalogs nationwide.

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#90221p3945 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKFORD, Ill. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Sundstrand Corporation (NYSE: SNS) announced today entry into a settlement agreement to fully dispose of shareholder litigation currently pending in federal district court in Chicago and in Delaware state court. The shareholder actions were initially filed against certain current and former officers and directors of the company in the wake of Sundstrand's guilty pleas in October 1988 in connection with its federal government contracting procedures and a tax matter. In entering the settlement, the defendants continue to deny any liability to Sundstrand or its shareholders.

The terms of the settlement, which remains subject to court approval, include payment of $15 million to the company, from the proceeds of insurance policies, less the fees and expenses of counsel for the shareholder plaintiffs. Sundstrand has also agreed to implement certain corporate governance procedures as a condition of the settlement.

Harry C. Stonecipher, president and chief executive officer of the company said, "Sundstrand is extremely pleased that this litigation has been resolved without the need for protracted litigation. This development puts the company's past difficulties squarely behind it, and will enable Sundstrand to focus on meeting the challenges of the future."

Sundstrand Corporation, with 1989 sales of $1,595.4 million, is a market leader in the design, manufacture, and sale of a variety of proprietary, technology-based components and subsystems for aerospace (67 percent of 1989 sales) and industrial (33 percent of 1989 sales) markets. Sundstrand's common stock is listed on the New York, Midwest, and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

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#90221p3946 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Corporation (NYSE: WU) reported today that its net loss for the quarter ended June 30 was $27.6 million. This compares with a net loss of $4.9 million for the second quarter of 1989.

The second-quarter loss included $5.4 million of costs incurred in connection with Western Union's proposed recapitalization plan. The results for last year's second quarter included income of $5.6 million from settlement of claims relating to the purchase in 1987 of the former ITT World Communications, Inc., income of $5 million from termination of a pension plan, and $6 million of restructuring charges.

After giving effect to undeclared dividends on preferred shares, the 1990 second-quarter net loss amounted to 44 cents per common share (based on a weighted average of 89.1 million shares outstanding), compared with a net loss of 40 cents per share (based on a weighted average of 44.4 million shares outstanding) in last year's second quarter. The year-to-year increase in common shares was due mainly to conversions of Western Union Class B convertible preferred shares into common shares during the past 12 months.

For the first six months of 1990, the corporation had a net loss of $45.7 million, which amounted to 81 cents per common share (based on a weighted average of 84.9 million shares outstanding). The net loss reported for the first six months of 1989 was $5.1 million, or 72 cents per common share (based on a weighted average of 43.5 million shares outstanding).

Total revenues were $146 million for the second quarter of 1990 and $291 million for the first six months. This compares with 1989 revenue levels of $159 million and $317 million, respectively. The 1989 revenue totals included $4 million for the second quarter and $8 million for the six months from services which are no longer provided by Western Union.

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#90221p3947 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Systems Center Inc. (NYSE: SMX) and UNITECH Software, Inc., both of Reston, today announced the signing of a definitive agreement regarding a planned merger.

Systems Center is a leading marketer and developer of systems and network management products for diverse computer environments. UNITECH provides UNIX systems utilities and network administration software.

Under the terms of the agreement, Systems Center will issue common stock in exchange for all outstanding UNITECH common stock. The actual value of the transaction will be fixed upon closing, and is expected to fall within the range of $4.5 million - $6.8 million. The transaction will be accounted for as a pooling of interests, and is subject to approval of Systems Center shareholders and certain other matters. Closing is expected in the fourth quarter of 1990.

UNITECH will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Systems Center. Also, UNITECH employee stock options currently exercisable will be converted to similar options to purchase Systems Center common stock.

UNITECH President and Chief Executive Officer Paula J. Brooks, commented that "As customers increasingly seek a single-vendor solution, UNITECH looks forward to leveraging the benefits of Systems Center's size and reputation as a respected software vendor. UNITECH has a leading position in the UNIX systems and network administration market, and Systems Center's strategy includes expansion into diverse environments -- the timing was right for both parties in this transaction."

Systems Center, Inc. develops, markets and supports systems, network and relational database software. The company offers over 50 products, including NET/MASTER for network and systems management; Network DataMover for data transfer among multiple operating environments; VMCENTER II for IBM's VM operating system; and relational database products for IBM's SQL/DS and DB2.

UNITECH, founded in 1985, provides UNIX systems utilities and network administration software. Year-end revenues through May 31, 1990, were approximately $1.5 million. Estimated revenues for calendar year 1990 are $3.0 million. The company has over 300 customers at 2,000 sites, with a strong presence in the federal government. Products include a suite if UNIX stand alone systems utilities and BACKUP.UNET for management of networked UNIX systems.

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#90221p3950 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Carolco (NYSE: CRC) Chairman Mario Kassar announced today that Carolco has signed a first look development deal with Alan J. Pakula to write, a direct and produce motion pictures. Pakula's most recent film, "Presumed Innocent," stars Harrison Ford and Bonnie Bedelia. "Presumed Innocent," (based on the Scott Turow novel) directed and co-written by Pakula, has received great critical acclaim and has earned more than $28 million at the box office in only 10 days of

release.

Pakula's director credits inlcude the films "All the President's Men," "Sophie's Choice," "Starting Over," "Klute," "The Parallax View" and "See You in the Morning" among others. In addition to producing the above-mentioned titles, Pakula produced "To Kill a Mockingbird," "Love With a Proper Stranger," and "Up the Down Staircase" among others.

Pakula has won numerous awards including the New York Film Critics for Best Director for "All the President's Men," and the London Film Critics for best director for "Klute." Pakula has received Academy award nominations for directing "All the President's Men" and co-writing "Sophie's Choice."

Carolco's Kassar commented: "Alan Pakula is a unique talent and we are very pleased to have him joining Carolco. We look forward to a successful collaboration."

CONTACT: Thomas K. Levine, VP-Corporate Development of Carolco Pictures Inc., 213-850-8800.

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#90221p3953 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Aero Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: AESM) today announced that the federal appeals court in California has reversed the decision of the lower federal court in the SIPC action. A petition to the United States Supreme Court is being considered by the company's president.

Seven years ago in July 1983, the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (not a government agency) and trustees in liquidation for two securities broker-dealers filed suit in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California against 12 companies and 22 individuals, including Aero and the company's president (SIPC action).

The complaint alleges manipulation of certain over-the-counter securities, including the stock of the company, violations of the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and other matters. Plaintiffs seek damages against all defendants, jointly and severally, in excess of $15,000,000, trebling of damages and punitive damages in an amount up to $100,000,000.

In October 1988, the court granted summary judgments in favor of the company's president with respect to all substantial claims asserted in the SIPC action. Summary judgement was granted upon the grounds that the president's conduct did not cause the failure of the securities brokerage firms and that neither SIPC nor the Trustees had standing to commence the action. The summary judgments awarded in favor of the company's president

were appealed by SIPC and the Trustees.

In its opinion dated Aug. 3, 1990, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in California reversed the favorable decision of the lower court. Robert Holmes, Aero's president, is contemplating petitioning the United States Supreme Court. At this time, it is not known whether the stay in the SIPC action will remain in effect and whether the United States Supreme Court will entertain jurisdiction of the dispute.

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#90221p3966 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAUNTON, MA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - GTE Government Systems today announced receipt of a $19.6 million contract from the U.S. Army to supply a Mobile Subscriber Equipment (MSE) communications-network simulator that will provide a realistic training environment while saving time and money.

Awarded by the Army's Communications and Electronics Command (CECOM), Fort Monmouth, N.J., the agreement calls for GTE to furnish a simulator that will train army personnel in operation and maintenance of the GTE MSE tactical-communications system. GTE's MSE system supplies secure voice, data and facsimile capability to U.S. Army communications personnel at corps and division levels. It replaces existing conventional battlefield-communications equipment. A secure digital system, MSE allows military personnel moving quickly through a battlefield to communicate without interruption.

"The simulator, consisting of student workstations that represent MSE shelters, instructor consoles and a network emulator, features a wide range of training capabilities without requiring MSE shelter equipment," said Armen DerMarderosian, vice president and general manager of GTE's Command, Control and Communications Sector.

"It offers flexible network configuration, a capacity for 'trouble shooting' that permits controlled introduction of faults, and cost-effective training," DerMarderosian added. "The simulator replicates the actual system while allowing instructor support that enhances training."

The simulator will be installed in the GTE resident school, which opened in March 1989 at Fort Gordon, Ga. Performance on the simulator agreement continues through August 1991.

Work on this contract is performed at GTE's Mobile Subscriber Equipment Division, headquartered here. The division, part of the Command, Control and Communications Systems Sector (C3), is prime contractor to the Army

for the MSE program. Total estimated value of the MSE contract is more than $4 billion.

GTE Government Systems is a leading supplier of command, control, communications and intelligence systems for defense, governments and industry in the United States and abroad.

GTE subsidiaries operate in 46 states and 41 countries, with combined revenues and sales of $17.4 billion and net income of $1.4 billion in 1989. GTE is a leader in its three core businesses -- telecommunications lighting and precision materials -- providing products and services worldwide.

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#90221p3969 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. car/truck output for this week is estimated at 190,710, Ward's Automotive Reports said today.

All U.S. passenger-car manufacturers were assembling cars this week. This week's total vehicle production was up 14.4 percent from last week's revised total of 166,571 cars and trucks, and 4.0 percent higher than same-week 1989's 183,292 units, Ward's reported.

Estimated U.S. car output for the week ending Aug. 11 is 122,969, bringing the year-to-date estimate for 1990 up to 3,763,822, 87.5 percent of like-1989's total of 4,297,827 cars, said Ward's.

Chrysler Corp.'s U.S. Jeep assembly came back on line this week, after several weeks of downtime for vacation and changeover. U.S. truck output is scheduled at 67,741 units this week, bringing the estimated year-to-date total to 2,414,951. This is equal to 92.16 percent of year-ago's 2,620,303.

Of this week's estimated U.S. car output, General Motors Corp.'s share was 39.1 percent; Ford Motor Co. produced 28.7 percent of all cars; Chrysler Corp. produced 11.3 percent; Honda, 7.5 percent; Toyota, 3.6 percent; NUMMI, 3.3 percent; Mazda, 3.0 percent; Diamond-Star Motors, 2.6 percent; Subaru-Isuzu Automotive, 0.5 percent; and Nissan, 0.4 percent.

NORTH AMERICAN FACTORY PRODUCTION

	This Week Estimated	Last Week Revised	Same Week Last Year	To Date 1990	To Date 1989
U.S.:					
Cars	122,969	96,041	107,225	3,763,822	4,297,827

Trucks	67,741	70,530	76,067	2,414,951	2,620,303
TOTAL	190,710	166,571	183,292	6,178,773	6,918,130
Canada:					
Cars	14,391	15,125	10,838	662,476	614,380
Trucks	8,681	5,653	11,177	553,198	587,877
TOTAL	23,072	20,778	22,015	1,215,674	1,202,257

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#90221p3976 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - ISS International Service System, Inc. (AMEX: ISI) reported today the following for the quarter and the six months ended June 30, 1990:

ISS INTERNATIONAL SERVICE SYSTEM, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENTS
(UNAUDITED)

	Six months		Three months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$245,836,000	$240,533,000	$123,592,000	$121,119,000
Cost of services	208,495,000	205,487,000	105,140,000	103,186,000
Gross profit	37,341,000	35,046,000	18,452,000	17,933,000
Selling & admin. exps.	29,611,000	27,256,000	14,712,000	13,635,000
Operating income	7,730,000	7,790,000	3,740,000	4,298,000
Int. exp., net	5,118,000	4,329,000	2,638,000	2,288,000
Other exp., net	200,000	--	200,000	--
Inc. bef. inc. taxes	2,412,000	3,461,000	902,000	2,010,000
Prov. for inc. taxes	1,110,000	1,590,000	430,000	920,000
Net income	$ 1,302,000	$ 1,871,000	$ 472,000	$ 1,090,000
Earnings per share	$.18	$.26	$.06	$.15

During the second quarter of 1990, the company began the process of analyzing whether or not certain branch operations should be sold or spun off into joint ventures. Certain of these branches were acquired as part of the ADT acquisitions in December 1988. This decision was based primarily on the company's belief that such branches might be more effectively operated with significant local ownership. This review to sell or joint venture some of all or these operations will be made based upon further analysis, which will include the terms and prices available.

Other expenses, net, for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 1990, includes a provision for the anticipated expenses related to the proposed cash merger of the company with ISS A/S, net of a gain based upon the company's sale of certain security operations.

The 1990 and 1989 earnings per share have been fully diluted for the 25,000 shares of convertible preferred stock issued to ISS A/S in connection with the financing of the acquisition of ADT. If converted, the preferred stock would equal 3,333,333 shares of common stock. The total number of outstanding common shares used in the earnings per share calculation is 7,169,574, for both years.

The board of directors has declared a common stock dividend of $.06 per share to be paid on Sept. 21, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 31, 1990. The same record date will determine the stockholders eligible to vote on the proposed merger agreement, announced previously, whereby the company would become a wholly owned subsidiary of ISS A/S.

ISS International Service System, Inc. is a national service company providing cleaning, indoor environmental management services, landscape management, security, mechanical and other related maintenance services.

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#90221p3978 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Presidio Oil Company (AMEX: PRS.A) today announced that its board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.025 per share on the company's Class A common stock, payable Aug. 31, 1990, to holders of record Aug. 20, 1990.

Presidio Oil Company is an independent oil and gas company engaged in onshore oil and gas exploration, development and production in the continental United States, primarily in Wyoming, North Dakota, Texas, Louisiana and West Virginia and in the transportation of gas through gas gathering systems in Wyoming and West Virginia. Presidio's securities are traded on the American Stock Exchange and on the London Exchange under the symbols PRS.A and PRS.B.

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#90221p3979 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHVALE, NJ (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - John H. Klein, president and chief

executive officer of Zenith Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ: ZENL), a New Jersey-based pharmaceutical company, today announced that Zenith has finalized an agreement with Trimel Corp., a Toronto-based pharmaceutical and research company, for the development, manufacture, marketing and distribution of a major sustained release calcium channel blocker used extensively for the treatment of cardiovascular disease.

Under the agreement, Zenith and Trimel will manufacture the drug. Zenith will have the exclusive marketing rights in the United States for the sustained release anti-hypertensive and anti-anginal drug.

Zenith has agreed to pay Trimel periodic licensing fee payments in advance of FDA approval with final fee payments to be completed 90 days after the date of the first sale of the drug by Zenith. Zenith will also pay Trimel on an ongoing basis a portion of profits realized on the sale of the drug.

The product is in the final stages of development with innovator exclusivity expiring in 1992.

CONTACT: Richard Shepperd of Zenith Laboratories, 201-767-1700

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - For a limited period Aer Lingus is introducing deep discount non-refundable APEX fares from the following cities:

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Detroit	588	San Francisco	708
Los Angeles	708	St. Louis	618
Washington, D.C.	548	San Diego	708

Fare shown is mid-week roundtrip to Shannon, Ireland. This non-refundable APEX fare is applicable during the shoulder season for travel beginning in the month of October and is available at both midweek and weekend rates. Flights must be booked and ticketed at least 30 days in advance and seats are limited.

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CONTACT: Patrick Hanrahan of Aer Lingus, 212-557-1090, or 800-223-6876

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Trans World Airlines and Philippine Airlines have sent the first of many shipments on behalf of New York area Filipino organizations which are providing assistance to those whose lives were devestated by the earthquake in the Philippines last month.

The first shipment contained medical supplies, blankets and clothing for the more than 3,000 injured in the earthquake which measured 8.0 on the Richter scale and killed more than 1700 people.

Shipments leave New York on TWA and are transferred to Philippine flights to San Francisco or Los Angeles.

TWA and Philippine Airlines also provided transportation for several Filipino bands who were flown to New York for a benefit concert in Central Park. The concert raised a significant amount of money for the earthquake victims.

This month TWA and Philippine Airlines celebrate the first year anniversary of their marketing agreement which brought Philippine Airlines back to the New York area after an absence of several years. Passengers traveling to Manila from New York fly TWA to Los Angeles or San Francisco where they transfer to Philippine Airlines' flight to Manila.

TWA and its commuter affiliates serve more than 125 cities throughout North America, Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

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#90221p4004 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASHVILLE, TN (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - GENESCO Inc. (NYSE: GCO) announced today that its board of directors has adopted a shareholders rights plan under which shareholders will receive rights to purchase shares of preferred stock.

William S. Wire II, chairman and chief executive officer of GENESCO, said, "While the rights plan was not adopted in response to any specific effort to acquire control of GENESCO, and the Company is not aware of any such

effort, the rights are designed to enhance the board's ability to protect shareholders from abusive and coercive takeover techniques."

When exercised, each right would entitle shareholders to buy one one-hundreth of a share of a new series of subordinated serial preferred stock at a price of $20.

The rights will become exercisable only if a person or group acquires 10 percent or more of GENESCO's common stock or announces a tender offer which would result in ownership by a person or group of 10 percent or more of the common stock.

If GENESCO were acquired in a merger or other business combination transaction, each right would entitle its holder to purchase, at the right's then-current exercise price, a number of the acquiring company's common shares having a market value of twice such price.

In addition, if a person or group acquires 10 percent or more of GENESCO's outstanding common stock, each right would entitle its owner, other than the acquiring person or members of the acquiring group, to purchase at the right's then-current exercise price a number of GENESCO's common shares having a market value of twice that price.

After a person or group acquires beneficial ownership of 10 percent or more of the Company's common stock and before an acquisition of 50 percent or more of common stock, the board of directors could exhange the rights, other than rights owned by the acquiring person or group, in whole or in part, at an exchange ratio of one share of common stock, or one one-hundredth of a share of the new series of preferred stock, per right.

Until a person or group acquires beneficial ownership of 10 percent or more of GENESCO's common stock, the rights will be redeemable for one cent per right at the option of the board of directors.

The rights will be distributed to shareholders of record on Aug. 22, 1990, and will expire on Aug. 21, 2000, unless earlier redeemed. The rights distribution is not taxable to shareholders.

CONTACT: Teresa N. Miller (Media), 615-367-8281, or James S. Gulmi (Financial), 615-367-8325, both of GENESCO, Inc.

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#90221p4007 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Oil Co. said today that it is temporarily freezing gasoline prices throughout the company's 30-state marketing territory.

The company is also freezing distillate and jet fuel posted prices. "The company will freeze gasoline prices to its dealers and jobbers through Aug. 15 as a continuation of its ongoing policy to set prices in a reasonable and responsible manner," said Robert J. Rauscher, Amoco marketing vice president.

"Amoco may lower prices in individual market areas during this period as market conditions dictate," he said.

Amoco was the first company to state that it supported President Bush's call for "restraint" by oil companies Aug. 8 and that it would continue its policy of responsible actions in the marketplace.

Amoco said that despite rapid increases in crude oil and refined product prices of about 20 cents per gallon in the Gulf Coast and spot markets, it has increased its wholesale gasoline prices on average only about 10 cents per gallon since Aug. 1.

"Amoco has been acting responsibly throughout this period and will continue to do so," he said. "And we have also encouraged our dealers and jobbers to do the same."

Amoco sells gasoline and other petroleum products to dealers and jobbers who operate approximately 10,700 gasoline outlets. Amoco marketers are independent businesspeople who set their own prices.

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#90221p4008 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Vetco Gray Inc. today announced it has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement covering an initial public offering of nine million shares of common stock. The expected offering price is from $17 to $19 per share. It is anticipated that the offering will be made in mid-September.

The shares are being sold in concurrent offerings of seven million shares in the United States through a syndicate lead by Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. and Salomon Brothers Inc., and two million shares internationally through a syndicate co-managed by Lehman Brothers International Inc. and Salomon Brothers International Ltd. The shares have been approved for quotation on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol VETG, subject to issuance.

Vetco Gray designs, manufactures, sells, and services highly engineered exploration and production equipment used by the worldwide oil and gas

industry, primarily for offshore applications.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. Copies of the prospectus may be obtained from Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. or Salomon Brothers Inc.

These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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#90221p4011 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN MATEO, CA (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Electronic Arts (NASDAQ: ERTS) today announced that it achieved very strong initial sales results with its first two videogames, Populous(TM) and Budokan(TM), both for the Sega(R) Genesis(R).

Retailer reaction has been very positive from leaders like Jeff Griffiths, vice president and general merchandising manager of Electronics Boutique, a leading software specialty retailer. He commented that, "Unit sales of Budokan and Populous have been as strong as any new release we've ever had for the Sega Genesis." He added, "We have been very pleased with the sales volume on our full range of Genesis products, too."

Babbage's (NASDAQ: BBGS), a leading software specialty retail chain, published what it believes to be the first all-format videogame sales chart by any retailer in the nation. Its Top 10 videogame chart for August, based on retail sales for the month of July, lists Budokan and Populous as the No. 1 and No. 2 best-selling titles for the Genesis, and the No. 2 and No. 3 videogame titles for all formats.

According to Gary Kusin, president of Babbage's, "We think it is very exciting to see two titles for the Sega Genesis selling as well as the best titles for the Nintendo Entertainment System(R) and Game Boy(R). We continue to be very excited about our Genesis business, and its potential for the second half of the year.

Electronic Arts previously announced that it will ship the three above-mentioned new videogames this fall.

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both of Electronic Arts

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#90221p4019 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nestle/Carnation Food Service Company has been formed, according to Carnation President and Chief Executive Officer Timm F. Crull. Fred Hull, formerly senior vice president and general manager of Carnation's Food Service Division, was named president of the new company and will continue to report to Crull.

Crull said the company was formed to "begin the consolidation of food service operations of the various Nestle companies in the United States."

The Nestle/Carnation Food Service Company encompasses the foodservice organizations of Nestle/Hills Coffee Company, Nestle Foods Group and Carnation company. It will be located in Carnation's new Glendale, Calif. headquarters.

The consolidation will create a single focus on the food service industry for Nestle. The Nestle/Carnation Food Service Company will "take advantage of the synergies and critical mass" of the current Nestle-owned companies, said Hull.

For the nation's food service operators, the move will offer a "customer-focused, innovative and quality-oriented supplier that is built on the structure and demands of the industry," he said.

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#90221p4021 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
CALGARY, Alberta (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - North Canadian Oils Ltd. (NASDAQ: NCD; Montreal, Toronto: NCO) has announced its results for the first half of 1990 reporting increases in revenue, cash flow, net earnings and natural gas and crude oil production.

Gross operating revenue net of royalties for the first half of 1990, increased 19 percent to $61.6 million due to increased deliverability and higher average sales prices. The average wellhead price received for crude oil and natural gas liquids was $19.35 per barrel, up four percent from the first half of 1989. The average wellhead price for natural gas was $1.46 per thousand cubic feet, up four percent from the first half of 1989. Investment and other income increased 38 percent to $16.8 million in the first half of 1990 because of higher interest rates and a higher average investment portfolio balance.

Cash flow from operations increased 23 percent to $46.1 million from $37.5 million while net earnings at $14.0 million were up 10 percent from $12.7 million in the first half of 1989. Net earnings attributable to common shares increased during the first half of 1990 by 53 percent to $9.3 million from $6.0 million after deducting preferred share dividends of $4.8 million and $6.7 million for 1990 and 1989 respectively. Net earnings per share were $0.26 to June 30, 1990 up 18 percent over 1989 first half earnings per share of $0.22.

Natural gas production reached an all time high of 223 million cubic feet per day for the month of April and averaged 210 mmcfd in the first half of 1990, a 17 percent increase over the corresponding 1989 production figure of 180 mmcfd. Increased deliverability from the Company's seven new facilities were responsible for these gains. Crude oil and NGLs production also increased in the first half of 1990 averaging 4,890 barrels per day versus 4,009 bpd in 1989, an increase of 22 percent. Workovers and 1989 drilling successes are credited for this improvement.

During the first half of 1990, NCO added 61 billion cubic feet of natural gas and 104 thousand barrels of crude oil and NGLs, before revisions, to its proven reserves, replacing first half production by 132 percent on the basis of 10 mcf equaling one barrel.

NCO's capital expenditures for the first half totalled $97.4 million compared to $61.6 million for the first half of 1989. The 1990 capital expenditures include $32.0 million spent on exploration and development; $39.9 million on the acquisition of the 26 percent minority interest of Bankeno Resources Limited; and $20.0 million on the cogeneration facility being developed by the Company in Ada, Michigan. Cogeneration capital expenditures will be refinanced in such a way that a minimal amount of equity capital will be required from NCO. The Bankeno acquisition was financed by the sale of short-term securities from NCO's investment portfolio.

Norm Gish, President of NCO, commented that the Company is gaining the benefit of its investment in natural gas marketing and a successful capital expenditure program for exploration and development.

North Canadian Oils Ltd. is a conservatively managed, financially and technically strong, Canadian oil and gas exploration, production and marketing company. NCO's common shares are traded on the Toronto and Montreal Exchanges in Canada and the American Stock Exchange in the United States.

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#90221p4026 08/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
CULVER CITY, CA (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The following board of directors and executive appointments were made at a meeting of the board of directors of Fleet Aerospace Inc.

Cecil G. Cline joins the board as a replacement for A. George Dragone. Bruce W. Gowan has been added to replace John J. Ruffo who remains as deputy chairman of the parent company, Fleet Aerospace Corp.

The executive appointments made were Admiral Elmo Zumwalt as chairman of the board of directors and Cecil G. Cline as president and chief executive officer.

A member of the parent company's board of directors since 1987, Admiral Zumwalt is a retired officer of the United States Navy and is currently serving as a director of a number of major companies. Admiral Zumwalt has been a director of Fleet Aerospace Inc. since Sept. 21, 1987.

Previously responsible for the Fleet Industries and Aeronca operations, Cecil G. Cline assumes responsibilities for all Fleet's major operations.

Bruce W. Gowan, currently vice chairman finance and secretary- treasurer for Fleet Aerospace Corp., has served as both chief financial officer and secretary of Fleet Aerospace Inc.

A. George Dragone has resigned as chairman & chief executive officer of Fleet Aerospace Inc. and assumed the position of honorary chairman of the parent company, Fleet Aerospace Corp.

CONTACT: Bruce W. Gowan, CFO, 416-684-9477 or L. Dale Foster, treasurer & secretary, 213-649-4391, both of Fleet Aerospace Inc.

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#90221u0100 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 9) UPI - The Pentagon Thursday refused to disclose how many U-S troops or aircraft have arrived in Saudi Arabia... or how many are yet to come. Defense sources say the U-S presence could reach 50-thousand troops. Some 120-thousand Iraqi forces are located in Kuwait, with another 50-thousand reported by the Pentagon to headed to the conquered emirate.

Three people are reported dead following clashes between Peruvian security forces and rioters. The UNrest took place hours after the South American nation's new government announced drastic measures to help Peru's teetering economy. Police say army troops clubbed to death two people at a food line in Lima, while another person was fatally shot elsewhere in the capital.

Dry conditions and high temperatures provided optimal conditions for wildfires raging in four Western states. The blazes have consumed an estimated 200-thousand acres of forest, rangelands and brush. Officials in Oregon, Idaho, California, Wyoming and Nevada have issued ''red flag warnings''... indicating prime conditions for the spread of flames.

Among the fires burning is a 10-thousand-acre blaze at California's Yosemite National Park. The fire prompted officials to evacuate 500 residents from the town of El Portal, which is located at the one-Million acre park's western entrance. A partial evacuation is also reported in the town of Ravendale, where a six-thousand-acre fire was burning out of control.

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#90221u0102 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey announced Thursday that it plans to spend one-point-three Million dollars to build a center for homeless people. The facility will be located near the Port Authority's Journal Square Station in Jersey Center. The center provide meals, showers and human services for the homeless.

The tenuous situation in the Middle East is affecting more than oil prices and the stock market. Also caught in the fray is an upcoming world atlas being put together by the National Geographic Society. The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait has caused Geographic's chief mapmaker to hold off printing the Middle East map for about two weeks to see if the situation becomes any clearer.

A spokesman for actor Charlie Sheen says Sheen has checked himself into a 30-day alcohol and drug rehabilitation program. The spokesman says 24-year-old Sheen will fulfill pending film commitments following the treatment. However, he refused to reveal when or where Sheen entered the program. He is the son of actor Martin Sheen.

Vietnam's state-run news agency says the communist government will ban the import and sale of foreign cigarettes. However, the move is NOT in the interest of securing better health for Vietnamese consumers... but instead is to protect domestic producers and save foreign currency. The ban takes effect October 1st.

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#90221u0135 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - A State Department official said late Wednesday that one of the 39 Americans being detained by Iraq at a Baghdad hotel has been released into the custody of U-S Embassy officials. The official identifies the freed American as 10-year-old Penelope Nabokov of Albany,

California. Embassy officials in Baghdad were allowed Wednesday to visit with the other 38 U-S citizens. The State Department is refusing to characterize them as ''hostages.''

Harrowing tales are beginning to filter out of the Middle East from Americans who managed to escape Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. Six Americans... including Jim and Phyllis Calvin of San Antonio, Texas... hid for about four days in the basement of their bombed-out apartment building before making their way back to the United States. Jim Calvin says he saw Iraqi troops shooting civilians.

NASA engineers hauled the leaking shuttle Atlantis off its launch pad late Wednesday to make room for the repaired shuttle Columbia. The Atlantis' slow trip back to the Vehicle Assembly Building was delayed six hours because of stormy weather at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. Even so, officials say Columbia is still scheduled to be moved from the V-A-B out to the launch pad for Atlantis shortly before dawn Thursday for launch preparations.

Canadian Prime Minister Mulroney says Canada's armed forces will intervene in a month-long land dispute between Quebec police and Mohawk Indians. But he says there will be NO confrontation that will put lives at risk. Mulroney's statement is his first since the stalemate began a month ago. It follows the expiration of a Quebec government deadline aimed at forcing the Mohawks to resume negotiations over a golf course expansion near the Indian reserve, about 25 miles west of Montreal. The Indians say the expansion would intrude on their ancestral land.

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#90221u0137 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - The fourth tropical storm and sixth tropical depression of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season has formed off the coast of Africa. Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami say Tropical Storm Edouard and its 45-mile-an-hour winds are expected to hit the Azores Islands sometime Thursday evening. At last report , Edouard was centered about 190 miles southwest of the Azores.

M-G-M U-A is suing C-B-S to block the network from airing a movie starring Kenneth Olin at the same time as the season premiere of ''thirtysomething''... the A-B-C series that also stars Olin. According to the lawsuit filed in Los Angeles Wednesday, C-B-S plans to run ''The Charles Stuart Murders'' September 18th in a time slot opposite the season premiere of ''thirtysomething.'' That's something forbidden by Olin's contract with M-G-M U-A. NO comment from C-B-S.

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#90221u0194 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 9) UPI - Diplomats at the United Nations say the Security Council met behind closed doors Wednesday night to discuss the latest actions of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. But they say the 15-member group put off until Thursday a vote on a resolution that would declare Iraq's annexation of Kuwait ''null and void.'' The vote was postponed to allow members to consult their home governments.

In a development late Wednesday, a State Department official said one of the 39 Americans detained by Iraq at a Baghdad hotel was freed. The official says a 10-year-old California girl was released into the custody of U-S Embassy officials, who were allowed to visit with the other 38 U-S citizens held at the Hotel Rashid.

The head of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee is asking President Bush to reverse his decision limiting offshore oil and gas development. Louisiana Democrat Bennett Johnston cites the Middle East crisis in urging Bush to ''re-visit'' his June 26th decision. Johnston's letter echoes recent remarks by oil industry officials and their political allies calling for a new assessment of the need for domestic offshore drilling in light of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The jury in the drug and perjury trial of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry will resume deliberations Thursday for a seventh day. On Wednesday, jurors asked to see the videotape of the January 18th F-B-I sting operation on which Barry is seen taking two long puffs from a crack cocaine pipe. They had viewed the tape or portions of it numerous times throughout the trial, now in its 10th week.

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#90221u0195 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 9) UPI - Jury deliberations are to begin Thursday morning in New York courtroom in the trial of three youths charged in the April 1989 gang rape of a woman jogger in Central Park. During closing arguments Wednesday the parents of one of the youths stormed out of the courtroom when a prosecutor described- what she called- ''the spree of uncontrolled violence.''

A coalition of anti-abortion groups says it will urge its members to boycott companies that support Planned Parenthood, the NON-profit family planning organization. A spokeswoman for the Right to Life League in California says the targeting of companies such as Pillsbury, H-J Heinz, General Mills and Scott Paper is designed-in her words- ''to put Planned Parenthood out of business.'' An official with Planned Parenthood says similar tactics used in the past by anti-abortion groups have failed.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - CALDENDAR:

(All times EDT)

American League
Baltimore at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.
Texas at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.
Detroit at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
New York at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.
Boston at California, 10:35 p.m.

National League
St. Louis at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Philadelphia at New York, 7:35 p.m.
Montreal at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
San Diego at Atlanta, 7:40 p.m.
Edmonton - World Championships

Basketball
Argentina - Men's World Championships

Boxing
Las Vegas, Nev. - Reggie Johnson vs. Eddie Hall, 12, middleweights;
Kid Akeem vs. Claudimir Diaz, 10, super flyweights.

Golf
Stratton Mountain, Vt. - $450,000 Stratton Mountain LPGA Classic.
Birmingham, Ala. - PGA Championship

Roller Skating
Pensacola, Fla. - U.S. Indoor Speed Championships

Shooting
Moscow - World Championships

Tennis
Albuquerque, N.M. - $150,000 Virginia Slims
Mason, Ohio - $1.02 million ATP Championships
San Diego - $225,000 Great American Bank Women's Classic

Track and Field
Plovdiv, Bulgaria - World Junior Championships

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(AUG. 9) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	59	50	.541	-	36-18	23-32	7-3	L-1
Toronto	59	52	.532	1	31-26	28-26	5-5	W-2
Baltimore	54	55	.495	5	26-26	28-29	5-5	W-1
Detroit	52	60	.464	8 1/2	26-30	26-30	3-7	L-2
Cleveland	51	59	.464	8 1/2	27-26	24-33	4-6	W-2
Milwaukee	47	62	.431	12	24-32	23-30	2-8	L-1
New York	45	64	.413	14	23-29	22-35	7-3	W-4
West								
Oakland	69	42	.622	-	34-21	35-21	6-4	L-1
Chicago	64	43	.598	3	31-23	33-20	6-4	L-1
Texas	57	53	.518	11 1/2	31-24	26-29	7-3	L-2
Seattle	57	54	.514	12	29-29	28-25	4-6	L-2
California	53	58	.477	16	27-28	26-30	5-5	W-1
Kansas City	51	58	.468	17	28-26	23-32	5-5	W-1
Minnesota	52	60	.464	17 1/2	29-30	23-30	3-7	W-1

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#90221u0383 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
DETROIT (AUG. 9) UPI - The Chaldean Federation of America, whose members mostly have roots in northern Iraq, issued a statement expressing confidence in the policies being pursued by President Bush during the current Mideast crisis.

''Regarding the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, we are U.S. citizens and we share the same concerns and feel the same economic consequences as all citizens living in this country,'' said Tom George, a spokesman for the federation.

''Furthermore, many U.S. Chaldeans have relatives still living in Iraq. This gives us cause for even greater concern,'' he said Wednesday.

''The Chaldean Federation of America does not condone any aggressive action. Our confidence is behind President Bush and the government of the United States of America. We are anxiously waiting and praying for a peaceful, speedy solution to this conflict in the Middle East,'' he said.

In an interview, George said there may be as many as 75,000 Chaldeans - Christians originating mainly from northern Iraq - living in the United States.

He said an estimated 66,000 live in the Detroit metropolitan area -

largely a result of the relatively high-paying jobs available in the auto industry in the early part of the century.

George said Chaldeans in Iraq have enjoyed reasonably good relations with the government there and, until recently, their relatives in the United States were free to visit.

He said the anxiety reflected in the statement results from the current ''lack of knowledge about what's happening right now.''

George said he saw no indication that American Chaldeans were facing any discrimination or harassment in the United States because of current tensions in the Persian Gulf and resulting gas price increases.

George said the statement was issued in part because ''we were getting calls from different media asking us questions about the war.'' He said comments being made by individual Chaldeans represented ''personal feelings'' and are ''not something that can be generalized for a community.''

Asked about his own attitudes toward Iraq and its leader, George said, ''I would like to withhold on that ... only for the reason that so much is going on I'm not sure how much you know is true.''

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#90221u0391 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - Rarely does a solo homer in a one-sided loss generate so much interest.

The Chicago White Sox might want to forget their 5-1 loss to the Kansas City Royals Wednesday night, but Carlton Fisk will certainly remember his seventh-inning drive just inside the left-field foul pole.

Fisk's 12th homer of the year was his 327th as a catcher, tying him with Johnny Bench for the all-time home run lead at that position.

And just as he had had doubts about another famous home run of his at Fenway Park - which won the sixth game of the 1975 World Series against Bench's Cincinnati Reds - Fisk wasn't sure this one was going out either.

The ball hung on the line long enough to get past the foul pole. Even the usually stotic Fisk seemed moved by what it meant.

The veteran catcher was greeted after the home run with a hug from his son Casey.

''I got goose bumps watching him hug his boy,'' said Chicago Manager Jeff

Torborg. ''That was beautiful. More so than the home run or the record, it just meant so much to those two and the family. What an accomplishment.''

If tying Bench's mark wasn't enough to make it an historic shot, consider that it was also his:

- 186th since joining the White Sox in 1981, tying him with Harold Baines for first on the all-time franchise list.

- 44th since his 40th birthday, tying Boston's Ted Williams for fourth on that list.

- 348th overall in his 19 years in the major leagues, tying Cincinnati Reds' slugger George Foster for 44th on the overall home run list.

That's pretty impressive stuff for a contact hitter.

''I'm not your classic home run hitter,'' said the 42-year-old Fisk. ''I have always thought of myself as more of a line-drive hitter. You get a pretty good swing on the ball and make your contact, then it's got a chance to go.

''I'm not the classic home run hitter in the mold of Ted Williams or a Mike Schmidt or (Jose) Canseco or those guys who just bomb balls out of the ballpark. It's a nice feeling to be there with the top.''

Kansas City Manager John Wathan, who like Torborg is a former catcher, spoke highly of Fisk and his achievements.

During his 19-year career, Fisk suffered season-ending injuries in 1974, '78 and '84.

--- AROUND THE AL ---

Elsewhere in the American League: Baltimore stopped Oakland 4-1, Cleveland topped Texas 5-3, Toronto blasted Detroit 8-3, Minnesota edged Milwaukee 4-2, New York downed Seattle 6-4 and California topped Boston 8-6 in 11 innings.

Orioles 4, Athletics 1

At Oakland, Calif., rookie Ben McDonald won his fourth straight start with the help of a triple play and two RBI each by Brady Anderson and Bob Melvin. McDonald, 4-0, became the first Orioles pitcher in history to win his first four starts. Gregg Olson pitched the final 1 2-3 innings for his 26th save.

Indians 5, Rangers 3

At Cleveland, rookie Jeff Manto drove in two runs and Cleveland had five consecutive two-out singles during a four-run fourth inning. Jeff Shaw, 2-2, beat Texas for the second time this season and Doug Jones worked the ninth to earn his 29th save.

Blue Jays 8, Tigers 3

At Toronto, Pat Borders knocked in three runs, scored three more and joined Fred McGriff and Glenallen Hill with solo homers to help the Blue Jays take over the AL lead in home runs with 132. Walt Terrell, 0-1, took the loss in his second start since signing with Detroit as a free agent July 28th.

Twins 4, Brewers 2

At Minneapolis, rookie Scott Erickson pitched seven strong innings and Randy Bush stroked a two-run homer to lead Minnesota. Kirby Puckett had three hits and Nelson Liriano tripled and scored twice for Minnesota.

Yankees 6, Mariners 4

At Seattle, Jesse Barfield's two-run pinch-hit homer capped a three-run seventh inning to lift New York to its fourth straight triumph. New York has won four out of five games from the Mariners at the Kingdome this season as well as 10 of the last 12. Eric Plunk, 5-2, picked up the win.

Angels 8, Red Sox 6, 11 innings

At Anaheim, Calif., Lance Parrish, hitless in his previous 20 at-bats, delivered a two-run homer with two outs in the 11th inning to boost California. Parrish's 18th homer came off loser Dennis Lamp, 3-4. Willie Fraser worked one scoreless inning to even his record at 3-3.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - It took 11 pitchers, 30 hits, 15 innings, and a double-dose of Harry Caray's favorite song Wednesday afternoon before the Chicago Cubs engineered a 4-3 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals.

''It was a dandy,'' Cubs' Manager Don Zimmer said after the 4-hour, 52-minute marathon, the longest game of the season for either team.

Caray, the Cubs' broadcaster for a local Chicago television station, traditionally leads the crowds at Wrigley Field in singing ''Take Me Out to the Ball Game'' during the seventh-inning stretch. The extra, extra-inning game gave him the chance for a second rendition.

''That's the first time I've heard Harry sing the seventh-inning stretch twice,'' said Cubs' starter Mike Harkey, who pitched nine shutout innings before exiting the scoreless game.

''I pitched the first game of the double-header and we came away with a tie,'' Harkey said. ''We won the second game.''

''It had to end sooner or later,'' said Chicago pitcher Steve Wilson.

Andre Dawson ended it later, delivering a bases-loaded single in the 15th inning to hand the Cubs a hard-earned fifth-straight win.

''I think we owe ourselves a pat on the back,'' Dawson said. ''We didn't quit. We tied the ballgame twice. We won the ballgame in the late innings and that's a good sign considering the pitching duel that we had earlier.''

Bill Long, the Cubs' fifth pitcher, worked the 15th and improved to 5-0.

Cardinals' reliever Tom Niedenfuer, who entered in the 13th inning, suffered the loss to remain winless at 0-5.

Mark Grace paced the Cubs with a 4-for-6 performance. The first baseman extended his hitting streak to a personal-high 17 games, going 31 for 67 (.463) along the way.

The win also boosted Chicago ahead of Philadelphia in the NL East.

No runs were scored through nine innings, and each team scored two runs in the 10th and one in the 13th.

Both teams collected 15 hits and St. Louis stranded 15 baserunners.

St. Louis starter Jose DeLeon lasted eight innings allowing no runs before giving way to Ken Dayley in the ninth.

--- AROUND THE NL ---

Elsewhere in the National League, New York beat Philadephia 8-4, San Francisco topped Houston 8-4, Montreal downed Pittsburgh 6-2, Los Angeles dropped Cincinnati 4-2 and Atlanta routed San Diego 7-1.

Mets 8, Phillies 4

At New York, Gregg Jefferies and Darryl Strawberry each drove in three runs to help New York break a four-game losing streak. David Cone, 8-5, went 7 2-3 innings allowing four runs on five hits. Don Carman, 5-1, making his first start of the season, lasted only four innings, allowing

six runs on 10 hits and six walks.

Giants 8, Astros 4

At Houston, pinch-hitter Greg Litton sparked a three-run eighth inning with a two-run double to lead San Francisco. Trevor Wilson, 8-3, pitched seven innings, allowing four runs on seven hits and Mark Thurmond pitched two innings for his fourth save. Reliever Juan Agosto fell to 5-7.

Dodgers 4, Reds 2

At Cincinnati, Fernando Valenzuela tossed a seven-hitter and Mike Scioscia had four hits and two RBI to lead Los Angeles. Valenzuela, 9-9, struck out four and walked one in posting his fourth complete game of the season. Scott Scudder, 3-5, gave up four runs and eight hits in seven innings.

Expos 6, Pirates 2

At Pittsburgh, Tim Raines broke out of an 0-for-18 slump with two doubles and two RBI and Dave Martinez drove home two runs to lead Montreal. Dennis Martinez, 8-8, who lost four of his last six decisions, allowed two runs and six hits in pitching his fifth complete game. Pirates' starter Doug Drabek saw his personal six-game winning streak come to a close and his record drop to 14-5.

Braves 7, Padres 1

At Atlanta, John Smoltz and Kent Mercker combined on a six-hitter and Dave Justice stroked two home runs to lead Atlanta. Smoltz, 8-8, allowed six hits over seven innings while walking three and striking out nine. Dennis Rasmussen, 8-10, allowed six hits over six innings.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - A retired U.S. military officer working closely with the Saudi government in Riyadh said it was ''business as usual'' Thursday in the capital city despite the massing of Iraqi troops on the Saudi border, and Americans there were relieved U.S. forces had intervened.

''A few people were concerned at the time of the Kuwait invasion that if (Iraqi President Saddam) Hussein had pushed on, he would have had the element of surprise and initiative,'' the American said in a telephone interview with United Press International. ''But now he has given the whole world time to respond.

''Things are completely stable here,'' said the American, speaking on the condition of anonymity. ''There is no cause for concern. It's basically

business as usual here.

''The only thing that concerns me is the fact that he has chemical weapons and he has the means to deliver these,'' he said. ''To the extent that he could scatter a few chemical weapons around, he could on a very temporary basis cause problems.

''I think militarily, he has very few military options left,'' said the retired officer. ''I think he would be a complete fool to push it at this time. If he even sneezes, he's going to bring down the wrath of the entire world.''

Regarding President Bush's efforts to marshal military assistance for Saudi Arabia from other nations including Arab states, the American said, ''I don't see any evidence of this.''

''It's a very sensitive issue in the Arab world about Arabs fighting Arabs. All of the support is going to be very low-key. I don't think you will see any manpower. You are going to be seeing these people supporting us with other things, like base rights, supporting the boycott, doing all kinds of things.''

The American said Saddam is perceived in Saudi Arabia much like he has been portrayed in the United States: ''He's a bully and he's out in the schoolyard trying to take lunch money from the smaller kids. He didn't have any problem with Kuwait.''

Nevertheless, with U.S. forces now in the area, tension in Riyadh has eased considerably, the American said, although he said the State Department has recommended U.S. citizens stay away from the areas bordering Kuwait, which Iraq invaded and seized Aug. 2.

''We feel very, very good about what's happened. I feel totally safe, totally secure. I have no concern about my family.''

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(AUG. 9) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Finly rf	5	0	1	0	Jennings lf	4	0	0	0
Andr	3	0	1	2	Lansford 3b	3	1	1	0
CRp	5	0	2	0	Canseco dh	4	0	2	0
Hrn 1	4	0	0	0	DHenderson cf	4	0	1	1
Tttlt	0	0	0	0	McGwire 1b	3	0	0	0
Kittl dh	5	1	1	0	Jose rf	4	0	0	0
Orslk lf	4	1	2	0	Steinbach c	3	0	1	0

Hltt 3b	3	0	0	0	Weiss ss	2	0	0	0
Mlvn	4	1	2	2	Randolph 2b	3	0	0	0
					McKnight 2b	1	1	0	0
					Gonzales 2b	1	0	0	0
Totls	35	4	9	4	Totals	30	1	5	1

Baltimore 000 310 000- 4
Oakland 000 001 000- 1

Triple Play-Baltimore 1. LOB- Baltimore 12, Oakland 6. 2B-Orsulak, Anderson, Kittle, Canseco. SB-Finley (13). S-Hulett.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
McDonald (W 4-0)	5 1-3	4	1	1	2	3
Williamson	2-3	0	0	0	2	0
Ballard	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Olson (S 26)	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	2
Oakland						
Sanderson (L 11-7)	4 1-3	7	4	4	6	1
Klink	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Harris	2	2	0	0	1	2
Nelson	1	0	0	0	0	1

Williamson pitched to 2 batters in the 7th.

T-3:05. A-30,739.

Umpires-Home, Cousins; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, McCoy; 3b, Phillips.

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TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Pettis cf	3	0	0	1	Cole cf	4	0	1	0
Franco 2b	3	1	0	0	Webster lf	4	1	1	0
Palmeiro 1b	4	0	1	0	Fermin ss	0	0	0	0
Sierra rf	3	0	0	0	Alomar c	4	0	1	0
Baines dh	4	1	3	2	Maldonado lf	3	0	0	1
Incaviglia lf	4	0	1	0	DJames dh	4	2	2	0
Petralli c	4	0	2	0	Jacoby 3b	4	1	2	0
Buechele 3b	3	1	1	0	Snyder rf	3	1	1	1
Daughrty ph	1	0	0	0	Manto 1b	2	0	1	2
Kunkel ss	2	0	0	0	Brookens 2b	3	0	1	1
Reimer ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	32	3	8	3	Totals	31	5	10	5

Texas 001 001 001- 3

Cleveland 000 401 00x- 5

DP-Texas 1, Cleveland 1. LOB-Texas 6, Cleveland 4. 2B-Buechele, Webster, Petralli. HR-Baines (12). S-Kunkel. SF -Pettis, Maldonado.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Moyer (L 1-4)	5	9	5	5	1	1
Mielke	2 2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Rogers	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Cleveland						
Shaw (W 2-2)	5 2-3	5	2	2	2	2
Ward	2 1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Jones (S 29)	1	2	1	1	0	2

Moyer pitched to 1 batter in the 6th.

T-2:35. A-10,019.

Umpires-Home, Reilly; 1b, Garcia; 2b, Voltaggio; 3b, Scott.

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DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi
Phllps	4	0	0	0	Wilson cf	3	0	1	1
Frym	5	0	1	0	Williams cf	0	0	0	0
Trm	5	2	2	0	Fernandez ss	4	0	1	1
Fldr 1	4	0	1	0	Gruber 3b	5	0	1	0
GWrd lf	2	1	1	0	Bell lf	5	0	0	0
Shts lf	1	0	0	1	McGriff 1b	3	2	1	1
Lmn rf	4	0	3	2	Olerud dh	4	2	1	0
Shlby	4	0	0	0	Mulliniks 3b	2	0	1	0
Lusdr cf	0	0	0	0	Hill rf	1	1	1	1
Cols dh	2	0	0	0	Borders c	4	3	3	3
Brgm	2	0	1	0	Lee 2b	3	0	1	0
					Heath c	4	0	1	0
Totls	37	3	10	3	Totals	34	8	11	7

Detroit 001 010 100- 3
Toronto 030 120 20x- 8

E-Heath, Phillips. DP-Detroit 1. LOB -Detroit 10, Toronto 10. 2B-Lemon, Trammell 2, Gruber. 3B-Lemon. HR- McGriff (25), Hill (11), Borders (13). S- Wilson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Detroit						
Terrell (L 0-1)	4	7	6	5	5	0
Parker	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	0
Gibson	1 1-3	2	2	2	2	0
Henneman	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Toronto						
Wells (W 8-3)	5	8	2	2	2	4
DWard	3	2	1	1	1	4
Acker	1	0	0	0	0	2

Terrell pitched to 3 batters in the 5th.

WP-Wells, DWard. PB-Heath. T- 3:11. A-49,897.

Umpires-Home, Morrison; 1b, Joyce; 2b, Barnett; 3b, Roe.

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MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 1b	4	0	1	0	Liriano 2b	4	2	2	1
Surhoff c	4	0	1	0	Bush lf	4	1	1	2
Sheffield 3b	3	1	1	1	Moses lf	0	0	0	0
Parker dh	4	0	1	0	Puckett dh	4	0	3	1
Felder dh	0	0	0	0	Hrbek 1b	4	0	2	0
Yount cf	4	0	0	0	Gaetti 3b	4	0	1	0
Deer rf	3	0	0	0	Larkin rf	4	0	1	0
Hamilton lf	2	0	1	0	Ortiz c	2	0	0	0
Brock ph	1	0	0	0	Mack cf	4	0	0	0
Gantner 2b	2	0	0	0	Gagne ss	4	1	2	0
Spiers ss	3	1	1	0					
Totals	30	2	6	1	Totals	34	4	12	4

Milwaukee	000 001 001-	2
Minnesota	003 000 10x-	4

E-Spiers, Gagne. DP-Minnesota 2. LOB-Milwaukee 5, Minnesota 8. 2B- Larkin, Gagne. 3B-Liriano. HR-Bush (6). SB-Felder (13).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Knudson (L 8-6)	6 2-3	11	4	4	1	0
Lee	0	1	0	0	0	0
Veres	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Plesac	1	0	0	0	1	0
Minnesota						

Erickson (W 3-2)	7	5	1	1	2	4
Aguilera (S 24)	2	1	1	0	1	1

Erickson pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

HBP-by Aguilera (Sheffield). T-2:43. A-23,748.

Umpires-Home, Tschida; 1b, Brinkman; 2b, Reed; 3b, Cooney.

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CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
Jhnsn c	4	0	0	0	Seitzer 3b	5	2	3	2
Vntr 3b	4	0	0	0	Pecota ss	4	0	1	0
Cldrn lf	4	0	1	0	Brett 1b	3	0	1	1
Pasq dh	4	0	0	0	Tartabull rf	4	0	1	1
Fisk c	2	1	1	1	Tabler dh	4	1	2	0
Krkvc c	1	0	0	0	Wilson lf	4	0	2	0
Thm	3	0	1	0	Macfarlane c	4	0	0	0
Fltch	3	0	0	0	White 2b	4	1	2	1
Sos rf	3	0	0	0	McRae cf	4	1	1	0
					Guillen ss	3	0	1	0
Totls	31	1	4	1	Totals	36	5	13	5

Chicago	000 000 100- 1
Kansas City	131 000 00x- 5

DP-Chicago 1. LOB-Chicago 4, Kansas City 8. 2B-Seitzer 3, Brett. HR- Fisk (12). SB-Pecota (7).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Hibbard (L 9-6)	2 1-3	9	5	5	1	1
Pall	3 2-3	2	0	0	0	1
Patterson	1	2	0	0	0	0
Radinsky	1	0	0	0	0	1
Kansas City						
Gordon (W 7-8)	9	4	1	1	1	8

T-2:33. A-28,493.

Umpires-Home, Craft; 1b, McKean; 2b, Young; 3b, Merriwether.

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NEW YORK SEATTLE

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi

Kelly cf	4	0	0	0	Reynolds 2b	5	2	3	0
Sax 2b	5	0	1	0	Martinez 3b	5	0	0	0
Azocar lf	4	1	2	1	Griffey cf	4	1	3	1
Hall rf	3	1	2	1	Jones lf	4	0	1	2
Barfield rf	1	1	1	2	Davis dh	3	0	0	0
Maas 1b	3	0	0	0	Cotto rf	4	0	0	0
Nokes dh	3	1	1	0	O'Brien 1b	4	1	3	1
Balboni dh	1	0	0	0	Sinatro c	3	0	1	0
Velarde 3b	3	1	0	0	Leonard ph	1	0	0	0
Geren c	4	0	2	1	Vizquel ss	3	0	0	0
Espinoza ss	3	1	2	1	Brumley ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	34	6	11	6	Totals	37	4	11	4

New York 021 000 300- 6
Seattle 012 010 000- 4

E-Cotto. DP-New York 1, Seattle 1. LOB-New York 5, Seattle 7. 2B-Jones, Reynolds, Griffey, Azocar. HR-O'Brien (4), Hall (11), Barfield (15). SB-Sax (30). SF-Espinoza.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Cary	4 1-3	9	4	4	0	1
Plunk (W 5-2)	3 2-3	0	0	0	1	5
Righetti (S 24)	1	2	0	0	0	2
Seattle						
Holman	6 2-3	8	4	4	3	5
Comstock (L 5-3)	1-3	2	2	2	0	1
Jackson	2	1	0	0	0	3

WP-Jackson. T-2:56. A-14,081.

Umpires-Home, Hickox; 1b, Coble; 2b, Evans; 3b, Welke.

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BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
JoRd 2b	6	0	1	0	Polonia lf	4	0	0	0
Qntn 1b	6	2	1	0	Bichette lf	1	0	1	1
Bggs 3b	6	2	2	1	Hill 2b	5	0	0	0
Brks cf	5	1	2	2	White cf	5	0	0	0
Grnwll	5	0	2	1	Winfield rf	4	1	1	0
Evns	5	0	2	1	Stevens 1b	6	4	3	2
Brn	4	0	1	0	Downing dh	5	2	4	2
Pena c	5	0	0	0	Parrish c	5	1	1	2
Nhrn	5	1	4	0	Anderson 3b	3	0	1	0
					Venable ph	1	0	1	1

					Schu 3b	0	0	0	0
					Schofield ss	3	0	1	0
					Ray 2b	1	0	0	0
Totls	47	6	15	5	Totals	43	8	13	8

Two out when winning run scored

Boston	200 000 400 00-	6
California	010 001 031 02-	8

E-Winfield. DP-Boston 1, California 1. LOB-Boston 10, California 12. 2B-Downing, Boggs, Stevens. HR-Stevens (4), Parrish (18).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Harris	7	8	4	4	4	4
JeReed	2-3	1	1	1	1	1
Murphy	2-3	1	1	1	3	0
Lamp (L 3-4)	2 1-3	3	2	2	0	2
California						
McCaskill	6 2-3	11	6	2	1	2
Young	1-3	2	0	0	0	0
Eichhorn	1	1	0	0	0	0
Harvey	2	0	0	0	1	4
Fraser (W 3-3)	1	1	0	0	0	0

Harris pitched to 2 batters in the 8th.

HBP-by Lamp (Bichette). T-4:06. A- 29,362.

Umpires-Home, McClelland; 1b, Merrill; 2b, Denkinger; 3b, Shulock.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

Batting

(Minimum 275 at-bats)

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	355	84	117	.330
Palmeiro, Tex	402	52	132	.328
Griffey, Sea	427	70	137	.321
Harper, Min	339	44	108	.319
JoReed, Bos	398	52	126	.317

Quintana, Bos	330	40	103	.312
Boggs, Bos	421	63	131	.311
Sheffield, Mil	370	52	115	.311
Guillen, Chi	354	46	109	.308
Martinez, Sea	362	53	111	.307

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	397	80	137	.345
Dawson, Chi	362	51	122	.337
McGee, StL	433	66	144	.333
Bonds, Pit	350	75	112	.320
Murray, LA	356	61	113	.317
Gwynn, SD	438	61	137	.313
Larkin, Cin	418	58	130	.311
Sandberg, Chi	440	84	136	.309
Mitchell, SF	361	65	111	.307
Jefferies, NY	404	69	123	.304

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 35; J.Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 28; McGriff, Tor 25; Gruber, Tor 22.

National League - Mitchell, SF, Strawberry, NY and Sandberg, Chi 26; Bonilla, Pit 23 and Sabo, Cin 22.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 90; J.Canseco, Oak 82; Gruber, Tor 78; McGwire, Oak 70; and Palmeiro, Sierra, Tex and Bell, Tor 68.

National League - Carter, SD 87; Williams, SF 86; Bonds, Pit 83; Strawberry, NY and Bonilla, Pit 74.

Doubles

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos 37; Boggs, Bos 33; Puckett, Min 31; Brett, KC 30 and Harper, Min 29.

National League - Wallach, Mtl 31; Jefferies, NY, Sabo, Cin, Dykstra, Phi and Bonilla, Pit 28.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 14; Sosa, Chi 9; Polonia, Cal, Burks, Bos Webster, Cle and Eisenreich, KC 6.

National League - Thompson, StL, L. Smith, Atl and Gwynn, SD 7; Bell, Pit, Duncan, Cin, Uribe, SF, Coleman, Stl and Dunston, Chi 6.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 49; Sax, NY 30; Calderon, Chi 29; Pettis, Tex 27 and Kelly, NY 25.

National League - Coleman, StL 58; Yelding, Hou 46; Bonds, Pit 38; Nixon, Mtl 35; Samuel, LA, Raines, Mtl and Butler, SF 33.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 84; Fielder, Det 72; Griffey, Sea and Yount, Mil 70; Puckett, Min and McGriff, Tor 69.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 84; Bonilla, Pit 83; Dykstra, Phi 80; Sabo Cin 76 and Bonds, Pit 75.

Hits

American League - Griffey, Sea 137; Palmeiro, Tex 132; Boggs, Bos 131; Reed, Bos 126 and Seitzer, KC 125.

National League - McGee, StL 144; Dykstra, Phi and Gwynn, SD 137; Sandberg Chi 136; Alomar, SD and Larkin, Cin 130.

Pitching

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 18; Stewart, Oak and Clemens, Bos 15; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 14.

National League - Viola, NY 15; Martinez, LA and Drabek, Pit 14; Armstrong Browning, Cin, Gooden, NY and Tudor, StL 11.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 85 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 2.14; Finley, Cal 2.40; Stewart, Oak 2.58; McCaskill, Cal 3.06; Saberhagen, KC and Stieb, Tor 3.10.

National League - Viola, NY 2.48; Tudor, StL 2.49; Whitson, SD and Martinez, LA 2.76 and Gardner, Mtl 2.89.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 158; Ryan, Tex 148; Hanson, Sea 146; Witt, Tex 141; Johnson, Sea and Langston, Cal 128.

National League - Martinez, LA 164; Cone, NY 144; Gooden, NY 142; DeLeon, StL, 126 and Smoltz, Atl 125.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi and Eckersley, Oak 36; Jones, Cle 29; Schooler, Sea 28; Olson, Bal 26.

National League - Franco, NY 24; Myers, Cin 22; Smith, Hou and L. Smith, StL, 19; Brantley, SF, McDowell, Phi and Lefferts, SD 16.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 7; Brown, Tex 6; Leary, NY, Saberhagen, KC and Morris, Det 5.

National League - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl, Belcher, LA, Maddux, Chi and Martinez, Mtl 5.

Shutouts

American League - Stewart, Oak 3; Appier, KC, Perez, King, Chi, Brown, Ryan, Tex, Knudson, Mil, Clemens, Bos, Welch, Oak and Black, Cle 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl and Viola, NY 3; 12 players tied with 2.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - Iraq released a 10-year-old girl who was among 39 Americans being held against their will in Baghdad, but there was no word on whether the others would be allowed to leave, the State Department said.

A State Department official said that Penelope Nabokov, of Albany, Calif., was released Wednesday to the custody of U.S. Embassy officials, who planned to ''expedite'' her return to the United States.

The official said that ''from all reports, she was (in good shape) and still had her blue backpack on.'' The State Department refused to identify the other Americans being held at the Hotel Rashid.

Nabokov was on a flight from London to India when the plane, a British

Airways jet, became stranded in Kuwait during a stopover in the emirate during the Iraqi invasion. All passengers were rounded up and bused to Baghdad.

Armed guards have prevented the Americans from leaving the hotel and it remained unclear if they were destined to become hostages in the confrontation over Iraq's aggression in the Middle East.

President Bush said he was cautiously optimistic about Iraqi reports of possible freedom. ''I want to see them out of there,'' he said of the Americans. ''But what he (Saddam) does, that's a big unpredictable.''

The president said he did not want to ''heighten tensions,'' and made no mention U.S. efforts to free the Americans. But he said, ''I consider the protection of American life fundamental to my job.''

U.S. officials refused to classify the Americans as hostages, describing them as being ''sequestered''. They have not been threatened or harmed and are free to move about the hotel, State Department officials said.

The initial 39 Americans included 11 oil field workers taken into Iraqi custody at the outset of last Thursday's invasion, 25 Americans who were among 155 foreigners rounded up from three hotels in Kuwait City days later, and three others who already were in the Baghdad area, State Department officials said.

About 350 Americans reside in Iraq, according to State Department officials, but there were no signs that they were being detained or prevented from leaving.

In addition, more than 3,000 Americans were in Kuwait at the time of the invasion and many are reported to have crossed by land into Jordan.

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#90221u0435 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (AUG. 9) UPI - Official Burmese radio, countering earlier reports, said troops fired in the air during a scuffle between Buddhist monks and security forces that left four people wounded in Mandalay.

Western diplomats in Rangoon said four demonstrators were shot and killed Wednesday in the incident 300 miles north of Rangoon.

The protests came amid tension between the military government and the National League for Democracy, the opposition political party that swept general elections in May, but has not yet been allowed to form a government.

The demonstrations marked the second anniversary of massive pro-democracy marches in 1988 that led to the downfall of the one-party government. The demonstrations were crushed a month later by military repression that left 500 to 1,000 people dead.

''Some monks, students, and youths created noisy disturbances in Mandalay this morning and efforts by the responsible security personnel to control the crowd were to no avail,'' the radio said Wednesday. ''A commotion broke out with rocks being thrown at security personnel, while some tried to wrest their weapons from them.''

It said three security personnel and a novice monk were wounded in the incident, which involved more than 900 protesters.

The three security men were struck by rocks and the 15-year-old novice monk was wounded in the shoulder, it said.

The radio said the crowd finally dispersed when the security forces fired in the air.

Western diplomats, however, said the rock-throwing prompted the troops to fire into the crowd, killing two students and two monks and wounding two other demonstrators.

A separate radio report said police seized explosives, 2,000 detonators, a sawed-off shotgun, a rifle and a submachine gun in raids in Mandalay.

The radio also reported that small groups of youths in Rangoon hung wreaths and chanted anti-government slogans in several areas of the city, but were dispersed by security forces without violence.

''Authorities concerned are investigating the people behind these instigations,'' the radio said.

Diplomatic sources also said there were small demonstrations in the capital, as the military patrolled in force and the National League for Democracy called on party members to avoid any action that could lead to bloodshed.

The party, although angered by the military resistance to transfer power, appears determined to avoid any repetition of the 1988 violence.

The military has said the only duty of the elected legislature will be to write a constitution that must be satisfactory to the military and approved by the people before it can take effect.

The National League for Democracy has rejected the military restrictions,

demanding the military hand over power to the elected representatives and release all political prisoners, who include top leaders of the party.

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#90221u0445 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (AUG. 9) UPI - The shuttle Columbia, inching past its grounded sistership Atlantis, was hauled to the launch pad Thursday for blastoff around Sept. 1 on an astronomy flight that NASA hopes will end a summer of frustrating launch delays.

Atlantis was rolled off launch pad 39A late Wednesday to make way for Columbia, which began its glacial, 3.5-mile trip to the oceanside firing stand at 5:47 a.m. EDT, two hours behind schedule.

With Atlantis parked 60 feet from the cavernous assembly building, Columbia, mounted atop a giant crawler-transporter, was slowly hauled toward the pad in an unprecedented shuttle shuffle marking NASA's latest bid to get the nation's manned space program back on track after a four-month hiatus caused by frustrating hydrogen fuel leaks.

The move marked the first time in shuttle history that two of NASA's $2 billion orbiters have passed in the night, as it were, on the crawlerway to the launch pad.

Once on the pad, Columbia will be readied for blastoff early next month on a long-delayed astronomy mission that was grounded May 30 by a hydrogen fuel leak.

Atlantis, meanwhile, will be removed from its external tank for repairs to fix a similar leak that grounded the ship's planned launch last month on a secret military flight.

Columbia now is equipped with a new 17-inch-wide ''disconnect'' fitting to replace the one that leaked in May and if all goes well, the ship's seven-member crew will blast off around Sept. 1 on a mission to explore high-energy ultraviolet emissions from deep space.

Launch is unofficially targeted for Sept. 1 at 1:17 a.m. EDT, although shuttle engineers typically lose a day of work per week at the launch pad because of minor problems, which would push the flight to around Sept. 4 or 5.

Assuming Columbia makes it into orbit on schedule, the shuttle Discovery will carry the European-built Ulysses solar probe into space Oct. 5 followed by launch of the presumably repaired Atlantis around Oct. 26 to kick off a secret military mission originally planned for last month.

Tentative launch plans show the next shuttle flight will not be attempted until around Jan. 9 followed by flights Jan. 31 and March 15.

Columbia's roll out had been planned for Friday, but NASA managers decided Tuesday to advance the move one day and to postpone critical tests of the assembled spaceplane until the ship reaches the launch pad.

Agency officials also decided to cancel a planned fueling test for Columbia that would have delayed a long-awaited astronomy flight another five days or so to around Sept. 5 at the earliest.

Columbia is equipped with a hydrogen disconnect fitting that was taken from the new shuttle Endeavour.

Small bits of Teflon ''debris'' and tiny glass beads were found in the area of critical seals inside the original disconnect assembly, and while they likely caused the leak that grounded the ship in May, it may not be possible to prove it one way or the other.

Columbia had been scheduled for another fueling test Aug. 23 to make sure the leak has been eliminated once and for all. But the test was eliminated to save time.

Top agency officials said NASA had little to gain from another fueling test because regardless of when another leak might be detected - during a fueling test or the night before launch - Columbia would have to be hauled back to its hangar for repairs.

And that would prevent any chance of launching the ship before Discovery's high-priority Oct. 5 flight to carry the Ulysses probe into orbit.

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#90221u0446 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (AUG. 9) UPI - A Palestinian attacked by Jewish rioters died Thursday, the fourth day of anti-Arab violence set off by the stabbing deaths of two Israeli teenagers.

Izzat Halhala, 40, was critically wounded Tuesday when he tried to avoid Jewish stone-throwers and his car turned over. Angry Jews reportedly dragged him from his car and beat him until Border Police intervened. Halhala's wife and two childrens also were wounded in the incident.

Halhala, a resident of the Arab district of Silwan, died Thursday in Hadassah Hospital, police said.

The anti-Arab revenge attacks in Jerusalem began Monday when two Jewish teenagers were found stabbed to death near an Arab neighborhood. Police

said they believed the slayings were the work of Arab nationalists.

Since the discovery of the killings, large groups of angry Jews, shouting ''Death to the Arabs,'' have gathered on main roads to stone Arab-owned cars and sometimes assault the passengers. Several nights this week, residents of adjacent Arab and Jewish neighborhoods have thrown stones at each other.

Despite the repeated calls by authorities for restraint, the revenge attacks continued Thursday with two Arabs being wounded by stones thrown at their car in south Jerusalem, police said.

Police have stepped up patrols in Jerusalem, but have not responded harshly with tear gas, truncheons or rubber bullets to end the violence.

As many as 50 Arabs have been wounded in the disturbances and dozens of cars damaged. The rioters, calling for a ''Jewish intifada,'' also have attacked reporters and photographers as well as police trying to restrain them.

Police have arrested dozens of Jewish youths, but Police Commissioner Ya'acov Turner said Wednesday they may be released without charge.

Most of the violence has occurred in residential areas away from the center of the city, which has remained relatively quiet.

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#90221u0454 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (AUG. 9) UPI - South Korea and the Soviet Union may agree before long on details of economic cooperation and possible normalization of relations, a top government official said Thursday.

Kim Chong-in, senior presidential secretary on economic affairs, returned home after heading a 12-member Seoul delegation to the first face-to-face talks held in Moscow, and said the two sides shared common views on pending issues between them.

''If the second round of our government-to-government talks to be held in Seoul progresses smoothly, six agreements including one on guaranteeing investments will be signed and more could be agreed on,'' Kim said at an airport news conference.

Kim said he expected the second-round meeting would take place in Seoul late this month or next month. He did not elaborate on what he meant by ''more'' to be agreed on, but Seoul has been pushing rapprochement with the Soviet Union, with which it has had no diplomatic ties.

''Through the Moscow talks, both sides shared common views on pending issues,'' he said. ''There had been concerns that economic cooperation and rapprochement were two separate things but we confirmed the concerns dispelled.''

Kim said he cannot tell exactly when full agreement will be reached on economic cooperation and normalization of relations, but many things could be wrapped up at the forthcoming Seoul meeting.

''At the Moscow meeting, I presented a true picture of our economy to Soviet officials,'' he said. ''Loans to the Soviet Union were never raised.''

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#90221u0476 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (AUG. 9) UPI - Twelve Asian nations have agreed to create an regional information network to help protect children's rights, a coordinator of a meeting on the issue said Thursday.

''Tens of millions children all over the world are suffering from violation of child rights,'' said Vitit Muntarbhorn at the end of a three-day meeting on the Rights of the Child Thursday.

Vitit said delegations from the 12 Asian nations agreed to create a regional network to support children's rights through an exchange of ideas and information.

''This is a way to overcome the problems,'' he said.

He said the agreement was reached even though some countries, including host Thailand, have not yet ratified the U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child.

''They have shown their will to review monitoring of the laws to implement the rights of the child,'' he said.

Supattra Masdit, minister of the prime minister's office, said Thailand is expected to sign the convention ''very soon''.

''There are some minor problems remaining,'' she said.

Thailand fears ratification could affect national security. The convention would grant Thai nationality to anyone born in Thai territory, including the offspring of more than 300,000 Cambodian and Lao refugees.

The Bangkok meeting was meant to pave the way for expanded adoption of the convention at a Sept. 29 meeting in New York.

Participants in the Bangkok meeting included representatives from Bangladesh, Burma, Indonesia, South Korea, Laos, Malaysia, Nepal, Pakistan the Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam.

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#90221u0633 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - Iraq says it has NO intention of attacking Saudi Arabia, but says it has to prepare for any possible ''aggression against Iraq.'' The Iraqi ambassador to the United Nations reacted to the arrival of U-S troops in the region, saying his country does NOT want to fight with America. But he says Iraq has to defend itself. Saudi television says King Fahd will speak to his nation today about the Persian Gulf crisis.

News that Saudi Arabia will pump an extra two-Million barrels of oil a day caused a drop in crude oil prices of nearly four-dollars a barrel on world markets. The Saudi move is aimed at making up oil output lost because of the U-N embargo of Iraq and Kuwait. In Japan, Tokyo's blue-chip stock indicator fell to its lowest close in more than nine months today, as investors grew more concerned about the Persian Gulf situation.

This is the seventh day of jury deliberations in the drug and perjury trial of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry. Yesterday, the panel members were given permission to review the F-B-I videotape of Barry smoking crack cocaine at a downtown hotel earlier this year. He was later arrested. The mayor faces 14 federal counts in the trial, which is now in its 10th week.

If your housing costs leave you little money for other expenses, you're NOT alone. A new study says 27-Million households, or one-third of the nation, is ''shelter-poor.'' Michael Stone of the University of Massachusetts in Boston says a combination of INadequate incomes and high housing costs puts 32 percent of the population in a squeeze that leaves little money for NON-shelter costs.

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#90221u0652 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - A retired F-A-A safety consultant testified for the defense yesterday in the Minnespolis trial of three former Northwest Airlines pilots accused of flying while drunk. Robert Collette says the pilots landed their jetliner without incident on March 8th, despite heavy air traffic and adverse weather conditions. The defense says the pilots were NOT impaired during the flight.

The Soviet news agency Tass says two Soviet cosmonauts returned to Earth today after spending six months aboard the Mir space station. Tass says a Soyuz T-M-9 transport spaceship carrying the two cosmonauts made a soft

landing at the edge of the desert in Soviet Central Asia. Two other cosmonauts who arrived at the space station last week are expected to stay in orbit for 132 days.

A Texas-based grocery chain is urging consumers to boycott 24 so-called ''ugly cosmetics'' companies that conduct tests using live animals. The Whole Foods Market chain says Millions of animals die each year in such tests. The company, which has stores in California, Texas and Louisiana, is sponsoring a ''compassionate cosmetics exchange'' to encourage consumers to buy body care products from firms that do NOT engage in animal testing.

A Seattle thief UNdoubtedly got a surprise when he opened the package he took from a motorist's car. Police say the theft occurred while the motorist was sitting at an intersection. But the motorist doesN'T feel too bad about the loss, and police say they didN'T bother to investigate. The package contained doggy-doo the good-citizen driver had picked up off the street.

End discretionary material

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#90221u0666 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 9) UPI - The Rev. Jesse Jackson plans to meet this weekend with a brother of Saudi Arabian King Fahd to discuss the Iraq crisis and to decide if Jackson should try to mediate, officials said.

Jackson and Prince Turki Bin Abdul Aziz Saud plan to meet at the Charles River Hotel in Cambridge, where the prince has been staying in a 40-room suite.

A time for the meeting has not been set but ''we are working for Sunday,'' said May Louie, an assistant to Jackson's Rainbow Coalition office in Washington.

A statement issued by the Saudi prince Wednesday said the two had ''had some informal exchange of views'' and ''agreed in the meanwhile that they will keep in contact if developments in the Middle East so required.''

A spokesman for the prince said among the issues to be discussed is the possibility that Jackson could mediate in the crisis that began when Iraq invaded its neighbor Kuwait.

Jackson has become involved in Middle Eastern affairs in the past and is well-liked by a number of Arab leaders, the spokesman said.

Jackson said earlier this week he had no plans to travel to the Middle

East.

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#90221u0702 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 9) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange tumbled Thursday in slow trading as concerns about the Middle East situation left the market defenseless against index-linked selling.

The blue chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which rebounded 856.07 points Wednesday, plummeted 893.41 points - or 3.1 percent - to 27,615.73, its lowest closing level since Oct. 28, 1989.

The key Nikkei Average has lost 29.0 percent of its book value since it set a record high of 38,915.87 last Dec. 29.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major listed shares fell 31.61 points to 2,068.41 following a gain of 53.60 points Wednesday.

Declines hammered advances 623 to 318, with 155 issues remained unchanged.

Trading was slow as an estimated 380 million shares changed hands, down from 577 million shares Wednesday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks posted losses in thin trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange following poor performances by Hong Kong shares in London's stock market on Wednesday. Activity was concentrated in the blue-chip sector.

The key Hang Seng Index, which rebounded 46.88 points Wednesday, dropped 54.45 points to 3,091.12.

Among the narrower indexes, financials lost 18.42 points, oil sensitive utilities dropped 66.80, industrials fell 45.18 and interest rate related properties plunged 129.44 points.

Volume amounted to 1.8 billion shares, down from the brisk 2.9 billion shares changing hands Wednesday.

In Bangkok, stock prices lost more than 5 percent of the value on the Stock Exchange of Thailand in slow trading.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) Index, which surged 35.52 points Wednesday, fell 54.10 points or 5.65 percent to 903.77.

An estimated 3.5 billion shares changed hands, compared with 6.07 billion on Wednesday.

In Taipei, stock prices on the Taiwan Stock Exchange plunged to a 26 month low in moderate trading.

The Taipei Weighted Index, which fell 133.68 points Wednesday, fell 302.35 points - or 6.67 percent - to 4,232.21, its lowest closing level since May 1988.

Stock markets, banks and most major businesses in Singapore were closed due to the National Day holiday. Trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange is expected to resume Friday.

In Australia, stock prices on the Sydney Sharemarket closed lower in moderate trading.

The key All Ordinaries Index, which gained 20.9 points Wednesday, eased 5.4 points to 1563.0.

Losses were confined to the industrial end of the market where the All Industrials Index fell 15.6 points to 2,349.4, while the All Resources Index gained 1.2 points to 952.2.

Gold issues attracted only modest support in line with a weaker global bullion price. The Gold Index rose 4.7 points to 1,483.9.

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#90221u0707 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

ANKARA, TURKEY (AUG. 9) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker met with Turkish leaders Thursday, reportedly to assure the NATO nation that the alliance would lend support in case of Iraqi aggression.

Turkey abided by a U.N. embargo against Iraq earlier this week and cut off oil shipments from two Iraqi pipelines that run through Turkey to the Mediterranean.

Ankara, apparently jittery over possible retaliation from its militaristic neighbor, put its air force on partial alert and moved an undisclosed number of F-16 jet fighters from a base near the capital to Incirlik, a southern city closer to the Iraqi border, sources said.

Baker met with Foreign Minister Ali Bozer and later with Prime Minister Yildirim Akbulut. He was scheduled to hold discussions with President Turgut Ozal before leaving for Brussels, Belgium.

Baker made no statement on his arrival but the Istanbul newspaper Huriyet said he was ''expected to give Turkey assurances of support from the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in case of Iraqi aggression'' and to

''request Turkey's assistance for military operations against Iraq.''

Turkey is the only Moslem member of NATO.

Ozal ordered the pipelines effectively shut off Tuesday after the U.N. Security Council approved the far-reaching trade and arms embargo against Iraq, which invaded the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait last week and annexed it Wednesday.

Iraq had issued a veiled threat to Turkey over the weekend, urging it to resist Western pressure and keep the pipelines open.

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#90221u0726 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (AUG. 9) UPI - Asian Pacific nations, notably member states of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, will play a major role in developing world trade in the 1990s, the government-financed Japan External Trade Organization said Thursday.

The organization, in a report on World Trade for 1990, described "the remarkable development" of the Asian Pacific economies, as one of major themes of the global economy in the 1990s.

The report said four newly industrialized economies - South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Singapore - ranked among the world's top 20 economies in terms of exports and imports in 1989.

"Their positive economic influence, centered on export-led industrialization, has already spread to the ASEAN countries and is also expected to be felt in Western Asia during the decade," the report said.

Citing statistics of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, the report said world trade in 1989 grew 7.5 percent over the preceding year to $3.09 trillion, topping the $3 trillion-mark for the first time.

The report said imports of industrial goods by South Korea, Taiwan and Hong Kong continued to grow at a high pace in 1988 while those by Singapore declined. It said imports of industrial products by the six-nation ASEAN in 1988 grew an estimated 34.7 percent, following a 39.5 percent rise in 1987.

"The share of world trade accounted for by Japan, the United States and the European Community increased to 60.9 percent in 1988, up sharply from 54.4 percent in 1980.

"Neighboring economies benefited from this growth: Trade within and between the regions of the Asian Pacific, North America and Western Europe accounted for 72.1 percent of world trade in 1988," the report said.

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#90221u0731 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled 344,000 for the week ending July 28, a decrease of 11,000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

The seasonally adjusted and revised figure for the previous week was unchanged at 355,000 initial claims, the department's Employment and Training Administration said.

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#90221u0745 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 9) UPI - Scattered showers spread along the Atlantic coast this morning... dropping rain from Maine to Florida. Thunderstorms rolled across the Potomac River from Maryland to Virginia overnight as temperatures dropped to the 50's and 60's.

Firefighters are battling more wildfires in tinder-dry Western forests, where more than 75-thousand acres of brushland, valuable timber and recreational areas already have burned. Officials blame lightning for the new fires.

The United States and Mexico agreed yesterday to move ahead on a free trade agreement. The pact would open the border to more trade and investment. Mexico also pledged to sell more oil north of the border.

Liberian rebel leader Prince Johnson has freed Western hostages held by his troops, including an American. The British Embassy in the capital of Monrovia made the announcement yesterday. Details of the release still are sketchy.

Pete Rose arrived at a federal prison work camp yesterday in southern Illinois to begin a five-month sentence for tax evasion. Warden John Clark said Rose would NOT grant interviews during his stay. Rose is scheduled for release January 7th.

Entertainer Shirley MacLaine opened last night on the Las Vegas Strip after a six year absence. The dancer and singer received a standing ovation and four curtain calls after the 90-minute show that featured dance, song and dialogue.

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#90221u0746 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (AUG. 9) UPI - Ford Motor Co., Mazda Motor Corp. and Sanyo Electric

Co. announced plans Thursday for a $75 million joint venture that would manufacture automotive radio products in Malaysia. The new company will be built in the state of Penang in Malaysia and is expected to begin production in June 1992, the companies said.

Ford indicated it plans to use the radios produced in vehicles built and sold in the Asia-Pacific region. Mazda said it would use the output in most of its vehicles made in Japan while Sanyo indicated the venture would expand its automotive audio business. The three companies will each own an equal share in the venture and will provide audio design and technology for the new products.

Malaysia was chosen for the company's site because of its favorable investment environment and access to an electronics supply base, the companies said. The plant would initially have about 500 employees, with expectations that more than 2,000 would be employed by the mid-1990s.

"We feel this is another great step to enhance business globalization which, in turn, will also help boost imports into Japan," said Norimasa Furuta, president of Mazda Motor Corp. The companies have projected an annual sales capacity of $200 million from the venture.

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#90221u0757 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (AUG. 9) UPI - France said Thursday the freeing of a Swiss hostage held in Lebanon was related to the recent release of an Iranian terrorist from a French jail and that Iran has indicated another European hostage will be released in a few days.

Syrian authorities, because of the tense Middle East situation, decided to forego the publicity that usually accompanies hostage releases and send home the Swiss Red Cross worker ithout fanfare.

Emmanuel Christen, held hostage for 11 months was freed Wednesday in Lebanon and sent to Syria where government sources said he would be flown home quickly.

Journalists have not seen Christen but he appeared thin and haggard in a photograph released by the kidnappers in Beirut late Wednesday.

A spokesman for the French Foreign Ministry said France has ''reasons to believe'' the release was connected to President Francois Mitterrand's recent release of Anis Naccache.

Naccache, convicted in a failed 1979 assassination attempt on former Iranian Prime Minister Chapour Bakhtiar that resulted in the death of a police officer, was released July 27 with four accomplices. The four had

been in prison for 10 years.

Christen was captured 10 months ago with another Swiss International Red Cross worker, Fritz Kuhni, who Christen said was in good health.

The French spokesman said Foreign Affairs Minister Roland Dumas received a letter from Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati, thanking France for the release of Naccache and saying that two Europeans would be freed in coming days, the spokesman said.

Christen is believed to be one of the two hostages referred to in the July 29 letter.

''That same day,'' the spokesman added, ''the Iranian government notified our ambassador in Tehran that Iran would continue its efforts to insure the liberation of all hostages still being in Lebanon.''

The kidnappers, in a statement signed by ''the Palestinian Revolutionary Cells Organization'' on Wednesday, said they would release the two Swiss nationals after appeals by Arab leaders.

It was not known why only one man was released but Palestinian sources hinted at complications over a $3 million ransom demand.

With Christen regaining freedom, the number of Western hostages in Lebanon was reduced to 15, including six Americans.

U.S. citizen Terry Anderson, who was chief Middle East correspondent for the Associated Press, has been captive the longest. He was abducted March 16, 1985, in Beirut.

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#90221u0765 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

CALHOUN, GA (AUG. 9) UPI - Two Norfolk Southern freight trains collided at a switch track near the Blue Ridge Mountains Thursday, killing three crewmen and injuring four others.

Sgt. Bob Patterson of the Gordon County Sheriff's Department said the trains were carrying lumber and other cargo.

Norfolk Southern Corp. spokesman Bob Auman said three engines and a rail car loaded with lumber caught on fire and witnesses reported at least five explosions. Auman said those fires were extinguished.

''One train ran through a siding and onto the main track, striking the other train,'' Auman said. ''We're trying to deal with a massive cleanup. Each train had two engines. Three of those engines were destroyed, and one

was heavily damaged. Fourteen or 15 cars derailed.''

Three of the crewmen were killed in the collision, which occurred around 3:30 a.m. between Georgia Highway 136 and the community of Hill City.

Clifford Free, president of the Gordon County Emergency Medical Service, said rescue crews found the four injured crewmen walking out of the woods.

They were carried to a hospital for treatment. Gordon County Hospital spokeswoman Jean Spradley said three were treated and released, while a fourth was being held for observation.

The cause of the crash was not immediately known, Auman said, but it was possible the rail line switch was thrown the wrong way or the train ran through the switch.

Patterson said the explosions could have come from diesel fuel in the engines.

Free said Highway 136 was closed because of the wreckage.

Auman said the train on the side track had 25 loaded rail cars and 45 empty cars, while the train on the main track had six loaded cars.

The identities of the dead and injured were withheld until relatives could be notified.

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#90221u0766 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for August 8: Purchases of 561,681 shares and sales of 575,549 shares including 67,528 shares sold short.

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#90221u0769 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

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Albuquerque pc	94	64	....
Anchorage r	63	53	.05
Asheville ts	77	62	.01
Atlanta pc	82	68	.85
Baltimore sh	79	69	.05
Billings pc	96	62	....
Birmingham sy	89	65	....

Bismarck pc	85	55	....
Boston pc	80	67	.09
Brownsville cy	94	74	1.08
Buffalo sy	84	64	....
Burlington Vt. pc	83	63	....
Charleston S.C.ts	87	74	.68
Charlotte ts	83	70	.01
Chicago sy	86	59	....
Cincinnati pc	82	63	....
Cleveland sy	81	60	....
Columbus Ohio pc	80	59	....
Dallas pc	92	70	....
Denver sy	91	59	....
Des Moines pc	83	63	....
Detroit sy	83	60	....
Duluth pc	78	52	....
El Paso pc	90	64	....
Evansville sy	85	62	....
Fargo pc	82	54	....
Hartford pc	84	65	....
Honolulu sy	90	76	....
Houston pc	92	74	....
Indianapolis sy	84	62	....
Jackson Miss. sy	87	60	....
Jacksonville ts	93	72	.03
Kansas City sy	85	63	....
Las Vegas pc	104	78	....
Little Rock sy	87	64	....
Los Angeles pc	88	68	....
Louisville pc	83	64	....
Memphis pc	85	64	....
Miami Beach pc	92	78	....
Milwaukee sy	83	64	....
Minneapolis pc	84	59	....
Nashville pc	85	64	....
New Orleans sy	89	67	....
New York cy	82	69	....
Oklahoma City pc	90	68	....
Omaha f	85	64	....
Orlando ts	95	74	....
Philadelphia sh	85	71	....
Phoenix pc	108	86	....
Pittsburgh cy	80	63	....
Portland Me. pc	81	63	.03
Portland Ore. pc	88	63	....
Providence pc	81	67	.03
Richmond sh	79	70	1.11
St. Louis sy	85	65	....

Salt Lake City sy	102	71	....
San Antonio pc	93	73	....
San Diego pc	80	70	....
San Francisco pc	80	59	....
San Juan pc	89	77	.04
Seattle sy	85	58	....
Spokane pc	93	61	....
Tampa pc	92	76	....
Washington r	79	72	.21
Wichita pc	93	68	.12

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cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90221u0786 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 9) UPI - Thousands of Libyans are prepared to fight U.S. troops that were ordered to the Gulf to guard against a possible attack by Iraq on Saudia Arab, Libyan Radio said Thursday.

''Thousands of citizens and brother Arabs, residing in the great Jamahiriyah (Libya), converged towards the Iraqi Embassy in Tripoli and announced their readiness to volunteer and travel immediately to the Arab Gulf region to face up to the U.S. and foreign presence and intervention in matters of the Arab nation,'' the radio said, according to a monitor by the British Broadcasting Corporation.

President Bush ordered the biggest U.S. defense buildup since the Vietnam War after Iraq invaded and took control of Kuwait, then massed troops on the border with Saudi Arabia.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $384.40, silver base of $4.86 and platinum price of $479.50:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$400.20	402.20
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	205.30	206.30
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.40	106.00
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.60	43.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	400.20	402.20
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	205.30	206.30
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.90	106.00
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.60	43.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	406.70	408.70
China Panda .50 troy oz.	209.50	210.50
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.70	109.20
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.90	47.20
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.00	28.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	400.30	402.30
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	204.60	205.60
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.30	103.80
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.50	44.70
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	398.50	400.80
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	206.30	207.40
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.90	106.50
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	45.30
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	398.46	400.70
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	204.80	206.00
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.90	87.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.50	45.70
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.20	23.30

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.27	$6.30
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,480	$3,480
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,500	$1,525
Platinum		
Australian Koala	504.00	504.00
Isle of Man Noble	493.00	493.00
Canada Maple Leaf	510.00	510.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B.

Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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MORAINE, OH (AUG. 9) UPI - A strike at a General Motors Corp. parts plant in Flint, Mich., hit Ohio's Miami Valley on Thursday, with 3,000 workers being laid off at GM's Moraine assembly plant.

Tom Tatham, a spokesman for GM in the Dayton area, said the workers were being furloughed because the plant depends on GM's AC Rochester West plant in Flint for fuel tanks for pickup trucks and light utility vehicles.

"The truck and bus plant will work through four hours (Thursday) morning on its first shift and then it will be shut down," Tatham said. Workers at Moraine build two four-door utility models, Chevrolet Blazers and GMC Jimmys, and two pickup truck models, the Chevrolet S-10 and GMC S-15.

About 3,200 hourly workers - members of United Auto Workers Local 659 - struck Wednesday in Flint to protest what the union said were work speed-ups, subcontracting and a lapse in health and safety conditions at the plant.

General Motors operates on a streamlined inventory system called "just-in-time" manufacturing, which cuts costs and improves quality, but makes the automaker's assembly plants more vulnerable to strikes at components facilities like Flint. "Certainly that makes the pipelines much shorter than they used to be," said Tatham.

The Flint strike could also affect General Motors' local parts plants in the Miami Valley - Delco Moraine, Delco Products and Harrison Radiator - if it continues, Tatham said. "(There is) no immediate impact, but they will have to reassess next week based on how this spreads to their customers," he said.

Talks between General Motors and the union in Flint were scheduled to resume Thursday. GM spokesman John Maciarz in Detroit said that so far the walkout has not affected the steady pace of the national contract talks that began in mid-July. Those talks are aimed at reaching a new agreement covering about 330,000 GM workers. The current three-year pact expires Sept. 14.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - It's NOT clear whether Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will attend today's emergency summit of Arab leaders in Cairo, Egypt. The

Kuwaiti crown prince, who fled when Iraq invaded his country last week, is expected to attend the summit aimed at defusing the Persian Gulf crisis.

U-S troops are being deployed in Saudi Arabia to defend against a possible Iraqi attack against the Saudis. Today, Saudi King Fahd addressed his nation about the crisis and the gathering of Iraqi troops along his border. Fahd says U-S and other foreign troops will be in Saudi Arabia only temporarily.

The U-N Security Council meets in emergency session today in New York to consider Iraq's annexation of Kuwait. A resolution to be submitted by the six Arab nations of the Gulf Cooperation Council calls for the annexation to be declared ''null and void.'' Kuwait is a member of the Gulf Cooperation Council.

The shuttle Columbia is inching toward the launch pad at Cape Canaveral, in preparation for next month's launch on a long-delayed astronomy mission. The grounded shuttle Atlantis was moved off the pad yesterday to make room for Columbia, which was repaired after a fuel leak that grounded its May flight.

The fourth tropical storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season is swirling in the North Atlantic. Tropical Storm Edouard pelted the Azores Islands with 45-mile-an-hour winds today. At last report, Edouard was 80 miles west-southwest of the island of Terceira, moving east-northeast at close to 12 miles an hour.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (AUG. 9) UPI - Iraq agreed Thursday to participate in an emergency Arab summit called to forstall further foreign involvement in the Persian Gulf crisis while U.S. forces took up positions in Saudi Arabia.

Iran, Libya and other hard-line Arab nations indicated that while they were unhappy with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last week, they were equally concerned about the presence of troops from Europe and the United States gathering in the gulf.

Arab leaders, including Syrian President Hafez Assad and Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi, arrived in Cairo Thursday for the evening emergency summit, where Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak was expected to call for a joint Arab peace-keeping force and an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

The deposed emir of conquered Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah, planned to lead a delegation to the summit, Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported.

The news agency also said Taha Yassin Ramadan, Iraq's first deputy prime minister, would attend the emergency Arab session along with three other delegates, including Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. Aziz had disappeared from public view last week at the same time as reports surfaced that said Baghdad had executed more than 100 military officers.

The United Nations was expected to meet Thursday to declare the annexation of Kuwait unacceptable and urge member nations to refuse to recognize the action.

Jordan seemed to shift alliance from Iraq to the more moderate Arabs and the West.

''We are wrongly described as an ally of Iraq. We are not an ally of Baghdad,'' Crown Prince Hassan, brother of Jordan's King Hussein, told London's Independent in an interview published Thursday.

Tension in the region mounted despite the moves toward finding a solution to the crisis, which was touched off last week when Iraq invaded neighboring Kuwait and exacerbated Wednesday when President Saddam Hussein said he was annexing the oil-rich emirate.

President Bush ordered U.S. troops into Saudi Arabia because of concern that the Iraqi force that took Kuwait so easily would advance into Saudi Arabia. The Americans began arriving in Saudi Arabia Wednesday and sources said the U.S. force could grow to 50,000 troops.

Jordan set off air raid alarms and Secretary of State James Baker reportedly told Turkish leaders in Ankara that NATO would be willing to defend Turkey if Iraq attacked across the Turkish border. A Western diplomat based in Cairo said Iraqi troops also were massing on the Iraq-Turkey border.

The gulf also was the scene of multinational military movement, with U.S. troop deployments to Saudi Arabia reportedly expected to reach 50,000. Saudi King Fahd appeared on television to tell his nation that the foreign troops on Saudi soil were necessary to maintain security in case Iraqi troops massed at the Kuwaiti border attacked.

Turkey beefed up security along its border with Iraq, wary that Baghdad will retaliate because Ankara has honored a U.N.-imposed embargo against Iraq by cutting off shipments of oil from two Iraqi pipelines that cross Turkey to the Mediterranean.

The Soviet Union said it would consider joining a multinational military force in the Middle East only if it was set up by the U.N. Security Council. Two Soviet military ships passed through the Suez Canal, but

their mission was not clear.

The Iraq News Agency said Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yassir Arafat met with Saddam Thursday and sources said the PLO leader went to Baghdad to convince his ally to participate in the Arab summit.

Iraq's old foe Iran - with which it fought for eight years before a truce in 1988 - warned the massive presence of American military forces in the gulf was ''more dangerous ... on developments in the region than Iraq's military occupation of Kuwait,'' the Iranian News Agency said in a dispatch monitored in Washington.

Mohsen Rezaei, commander of the battle-hardened Islamic Revolution Guards Corps, said the United States was using the incident in Kuwait as an opportunity to tighten its control on the flow of oil in the gulf.

But Iran also warned that as a major power in the region, it would not tolerate an ''alteration in the political geography of the region.''

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(AUG. 9) UPI - Syrian authorities plan to avoid publicity during the tense situation in the Middle East and send a former hostage home today with NO fanfare. Emmanuel Christen, a Swiss Red Cross worker held 11 months in Lebanon, was released yesterday and sent to Syria, where sources say he will be flown home quickly.

A jury of 10 men and two women begins deliberations this morning in New York City in the trial of three youths accused of raping a Central Park jogger last year. Closing arguments yesterday focused on confessions made by the three defendants, and on the lack of physical evidence linking them to the so-called ''wilding'' attack.

The Soviet Union and South Korea apparently may agree soon on details of economic cooperation and possible normalization of relations. That's according to a top South Korean official who just returned to Seoul after heading a delegation to talks in Moscow. The official says the two sides share common views on issues pending between them.

Anti-Arab violence continued for a fourth today in Israel as angry Jews threw stones at Arab-owned cars in revenge for the stabbing deaths of two Israeli teen-agers. Police say two Arabs were hurt by rocks thrown at their car. Also today, a Palestinian died after being attacked by Jewish rioters Tuesday.

It was 45 years ago today that the southern Japanese city of Nagasaki became the second city hit with a nuclear bomb. About 25-thousand people

gathered today in Peace Park for a memorial service marking the anniversary. The mayor urged Japan to aid foreign survivors of the nuclear attack.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - U.S. paratroopers, the first of an American military force that defense officials said could reach 50,000 men, and F-15 fighter jets were taking up defensive positions in Saudi Arabia Thursday.

''It obviously is a major commitment of U.S. forces,'' Defense Secretary Dick Cheney told reporters a day earlier, declining to predict how long U.S. troops will be deployed in Saudi Arabia to deter a possible Iraqi attack.

''The situation's uncertain,'' he added. ''We don't know how long it will last. We don't know when it will end. We don't know exactly how events will unfold over the next few months.''

Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, appeared at a Pentagon news conference Wednesday for the first time since President Bush ordered U.S. troops and warplanes to Saudi Arabia.

The two men refused to disclose the number of U.S. aircraft or troops already in Saudia Arabia or how many American military forces would ultimately be sent there, but senior defense officials confirmed reports Thursday that troop levels could reach 50,000 - larger than the U.S. ground force in South Korea.

At the news conference, Powell expressed confidence that U.S. troops could defend the oil kingdom.

''Even though there may be 1 million people in the Iraqi army, it is not an army that is currently postured to come storming across any border with 1 million people,'' Powell said. ''I am confident of our ability - when we have finished our deployments - to accomplish the mission the president gave us.''

Defense officials who asked not to be identified said about 2,300 paratroopers from Fort Bragg, N.C., and 48 F-15 jet fighters from Langley, Va., were in the first wave of the ''ongoing'' U.S. operation.

''Because we want to ensure the safety of our troops and because we want to ensure operational security ... I will be limited in what I can tell you,'' Powell said at the beginning of the briefing.

Bush issued the order Monday night to send U.S. troops and aircraft to Saudi Arabia, after Cheney had obtained an agreement from King Fahd to allow U.S. forces to use Saudi bases for the first time.

''Early advance party elements lifted off the ground at 7:35 yesterday (Tuesday) morning and the flow has continued, with the major part of the flow beginning last night (Tuesday night) with the departure of F-15s from Langley Air Force Base,'' Powell said.

The F-15 Eagle fighter jets were from the 71st and the 27th Tactical Fighter Squadrons at Langley, sources said. There are 24 planes in each squadron.

Powell said the F-15s began leaving Tuesday night and were continuing to leave Wednesday.

''The first planes have landed in Saudi Arabia and are taking up positions at various locations in Saudi Arabia,'' he said.

In addition, Powell said, paratroopers of the Division Ready Brigade of the 12,800-member 82nd Airborne Division from Fort Bragg started leaving at 3 a.m. EDT Wednesday and were due to arrive in Saudi Arabia late Wednesday.

Sources also said members of the 101st Airborne Division from Fort Campbell, Ky., and the 24th Infantry from Fort Stewart, Ga., were earmarked to go to Saudi Arabia, along with F-16 fighter jets and B-52 bombers.

Powell said five AWACS early-warning reconnaissance radar planes were sent to Saudi Arabia, apparently to bolster the five AWACS it already operates.

Also, he said, the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower and escort ships passed through the Suez Canal and were now stationed in the Red Sea, off Saudi Arabia's west coast, where one Iraqi oil pipeline ends.

A total of about 34 U.S. warships, including the aircraft carrier USS Independence, were in the region. The Independence was stationed in the northern Arabian Sea, at the mouth of the Persian Gulf.

The aircraft carrier USS Saratoga, which left the United States Tuesday, will take up position in the eastern Mediterranean, Powell said. That will put three carriers, with about 240 fighter and attack jets, in the region.

Powell said U.S. troops and aircraft arriving in Saudi Arabia were ''pretty secure. ... The Independence is in a position to provide support now, as is the Eisenhower battle group.''

Powell expressed concern with Iraqi chemical warfare capability, but added that the U.S. troops were being sent in had protective masks and body

garments and medicine.

Cheney said he told Saudi officials during his visit Sunday and Monday that Bush would waive the congressional ''Metzenbaum Amendment'' that limited the size of the Saudi Arabia F-15 fleet to 60 at any one time.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 74.00-78.00 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 141.40 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$265.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.50-$118.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $492.00-$494.00; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $118.00-$119.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 287.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 77.50-87.75 c-lb.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, rising oil prices and the fear of recession could prompt budget negotiators to slash a planned $50 billion deficit reduction package by up to 50 percent, an aide to a key negotiator said. "The size of the package is in real jeopardy," said the aide, who requested anonymity.

The aide said Wednesday the expected $50 billion deficit cut for fiscal year 1991 could be reduced by one-third to one-half if the world situation in Sepember makes it harder to trim defense spending or increase energy taxes.

Asked how large the deficit cut might be next year under those circumstances, the aide said "$25-35 (billion)." Budget talks resume in September, while the next fiscal year begins on Oct. 1.

The aide said if budget negotiators feel the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the U.S. military response makes it harder to cut Pentagon spending by as much as expected, that would make it tougher to take the bites planned from domestic spending and federal benefit programs.

And if a gasoline or broader energy tax is also off the table, negotiators may not be able to agree on a replacement to bring in as much money, the aide said.

"If anything's taken off the table, then I think it's going to be tough to get $50 billion (in deficit cuts) ... if we can no longer cut defense deeply and if we can no longer get energy taxes," the aide said.

But Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., a budget negotiator, said he still thinks a $50 billion package can be achieved. "I hope we don't lower our sights," Packwood said. "Right now, I think a $50 billion cut would be helpful. I think that would do far more to help the economy than hurt it."

He said the main consideration for budget negotiators is "whether we are tipping into a recession." If the economics are right for cutting $50 billion from the deficit next year, he said, "then we ought to do it." "I don't think the activity in the Middile East is going to make a difference on the budget summit," he said.

House Budget Committee Chairman Leon Panetta, D-Calif., said in a telephone interview that "I think we ought to try to get as close to the $50 (billion) as we can so that would mean we ought not to drop below $40 (billion.)"

Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas told reporters that, because of the Middle East situation, "we might want to be a bit more reasonable on defense (cuts)." And, he said, "we certainly won't see a gas tax in the picture."

House Armed Services Committee Chairman Les Aspin, D-Wis., told reporters that the the Middle East situation might cause budget negotiators to "breathe a big sigh of relief and reluctantly conclude that for good reasons for our economy we really shouldn't get a $50 billion reduction package ... that would strangle the economy."

He said negotiators may decide the cuts "might only have to be $30 or $40 (billion) and that means, of course, less defense cuts and less need to raise taxes and less need to cut domestic spending."

"In other words ... this thing might just let 'em all off the hook," Aspin said of the budget negotiators.

"Can you believe that? After they've been sitting there all this time, not being able to settle anything and, by God, like manna from heaven, all of a sudden they don't have to solve the problem. Boy, oh boy. That's going to be a big celebration - champagne corks over in that (budget) summit."

Budget negotiators, who began meeting May 15, have set an unofficial deadline of Sept. 10 to agree on a package that would cut the government's red ink by $50 billion next year and by $500 billion over five years.

However, as negotiators prepared late last month to put specific plans on the bargaining table, talks bogged down. Negotiators are expected to resume meeting - possibly in seclusion - early next month when Congress returns from its summer recess.

Negotiators have until Oct. 1 to reach and implement a deficit reduction package. Failure would trigger about $100 billion in automatic spending cuts, split between defense and domestic programs.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	65	18
Amsterdam cy	1pm	72	22
Ankara c	3pm	76	25
Athens c	2pm	87	30

Auckland c	12a	46	08
Beijing cy	8pm	78	26
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	68	20
Bonn pc	1pm	73	23
Brussels c	1pm	76	24
Cairo c	2pm	91	33
Casablanca c	12n	77	25
Copenhagen pc	1pm	68	20
Dakar pc	12n	84	29
Dublin cy	1pm	69	21
Geneva c	1pm	72	22
Helsinki cy	2pm	62	17
Hong Kong c	8pm	85	30
Jerusalem c	2pm	81	27
Karachi	5pm	-	-
Lisbon c	1pm	84	29
London pc	1pm	77	25
Madrid c	1pm	84	29
Malta c	1pm	89	32
Manila r	8pm	81	27
Moscow pc	3pm	81	27
Nairobi pc	3pm	74	23
Nassau cy	7am	81	27
New Delhi r	6pm	87	31
Nice c	1pm	80	27
Oslo c	1pm	70	21
Paris c	1pm	76	25
Pretoria c	2pm	74	23
Riyadh c	3pm	107	41
Rome c	1pm	82	28
Seoul cy	9pm	76	24
Sofia pc	2pm	78	26
Stockholm pc	1pm	64	18
Sydney c	10pm	54	12
Taipei c	8pm	88	31
Tokyo r	9pm	80	26
Tunis c	1pm	89	31
Vienna c	1pm	73	23
Warsaw cy	1pm	65	18

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	50	10
Caracas c	8am	78	26
Havana c	7am	77	25
Lima cy	7am	60	15
Mexico City hz	6am	55	13
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	70	21

Santiago c	8am	38	04

Canada

Calgary c	52	10
Edmonton pc	76	24
Montreal pc	78	25
Ottawa c	78	25
Regina pc	82	27
Toronto c	79	25
Vancouver c	78	25
Winnipeg c	88	30

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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(AUG. 9) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
INITIAL				
Keene Corp	..	.07	8-17	8-16
Sundstrand Corp	Q	.27 1/2	9-20	9-6
USUAL				
American Biltrite	Q	.03 3/4	10-12	9-28
BMA Corp	Q	.30	9-14	9-11
Burger King Inv	Q	.43	9-13	9-10
CBI Industries	Q	.15	9-14	8-22
Carnival Cruise	Q	.12	9-14	8-13
Coca-Cola Bottling	Q	.22	9-10	8-24
Curren Inco Shrs	Q	.27 1/2	9-14	8-31
Eastern Co	Q	.14	9-15	8-24
Frozen Food Express	Q	.05	8-29	8-22
General Housewares	Q	.06	9-28	9-14
Hilb Rogal & Hamil	Q	.07	9-28	9-14
Lawson Products	Q	.09	10-18	9-27
Motorola Inc	Q	.19	10-15	9-14
Nacco Indus cl-A	Q	.15	9-14	8-31

Walshire Assurance	Q	.05	9-12	8-28

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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#90221u0925 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 9) UPI - Authorities in Calhoun, Georgia, say three crewmen were killed and four others injured early this morning when two Southern Railway freight trains collided at a switch track in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Officials say the crewmen died in the collision. Rescue crews found the four injured crewmen walking out of woods. The trains were carrying lumber and other cargo.

The jury in the case of New York's Central Park jogger rape trial begins deliberations today. During closing arguments yesterday, attorneys focused on confessions made by the three youths accused in the bloody ''wilding'' rampage... as well as the lack of physical evidence linking the defendants to the attack. The jury received two hours of final instructions yesterday.

A University of Massachusetts professor says nearly one-third of American households are shelter poor. Michael Stone says that 78-Million people... about 32 percent of the population... face inadequate incomes and high housing costs. He says that after paying for their housing... they are unable to meet their NON-shelter needs at even a minimum level of adequacy.

In Florida, a report says a plastic surgeon used 35 fat, black leeches to successfully restore blood circulation in a Fort Lauderdale woman's mangled fingers. The report says Chanel Giordanno injured her fingers when her boyfriend accidentally slammed a door on her hand. The leeches stayed on her hand for seven days and saved her thumb.

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#90221u0948 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
VIENNA (AUG. 9) UPI - Eastern European countries, traditional trading partners withIraq as well as arms suppliers, are reluctantly agreeing to a U.N.-issued trade embargo against Baghdad despite worries about its effect on the region's shaky economies.

Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria decided late Wednesday to suspend trade with Iraq and Hungary was expected to announce a similar move Thursday, official news reports said.

''The ministers are not in an easy position,'' the Hungarian daily Nepszabadsag said of a scheduled meeting at which the government was to take a position on the sanctions imposed Monday by the U.N. Security Council.

The newspaper said the issue was ''extremely sensitive for Hungary,'' which ''must purchase oil from that region.''

Hungary and its neighbors have become increasingly dependent on oil imports from the Middle East because of a cutback in Soviet oil deliveries announced last month. Faced with having to shut its main refineries, Hungar made an emergency purchase of 3 million barrels of oil from Libya and Algeria on July 24.

Also at stake are $6 million owed to Hungary by Baghdad and up to $30 million a year in Hungarian exports to Iraq and Kuwait.

Hungary has sold arms to Iraq in the past but there have been none this year, the official MTI news agency said.

In Sofia, the Bulgarian government announced it ''accepts and will strictly observe'' the terms of the U.N. sanctions against Iraq, the state-run news agency BTA said.

''Even before the beginning of the crisis, all Bulgarian military supplies to Iraq have been stopped,'' BTA said. ''The government is taking other concrete steps ... nothwithstanding the serious difficulties the Bulgarian economy may have to face.'

Deputy Foreign Minister Filip Ishpekov summoned Iraq's ambassador to Bulgaria to the ministry heaquarters Saturday to notify him personally of the decision to honor the U.N. sanctions, the news agency said.

In Prague, the Czechoslovak government voted Wednesday in favor of ''joining the economic embargo against the Iraqi republic and the puppet government of Kuwait,'' the official news agency CTK said.

Hungary and Bulgaria also were pressing Baghdad for the evacuation of their citizens in Kuwait and Iraq. Budapest was trying to arrange the repatriation of about 200 Hungarians in Kuwait after receiving assurances from Iraq that they would be allowed to leave.

But five Hungarians working in Kuwait were reportedly missing and ''it is supposed they have been taken captive by the Iraqi army,'' MTI said.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - Despite its huge oil reserves, Mexico can do little to rapidly make up for the loss of petroleum exports from Iraq and Kuwait, analysts said.

Mexico's oil producing capacity has declined over the last few years and, without some innovative mechanisms to allow massive foreign investment in production and exploration, the country could become a petroleum importer in a few years, the observers said Wednesday.

With nearly five million barrels a day of combined Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil exports to world markets in jeopardy, oil importing nations are looking to other producers - especially those in the politically calmer Western Hemisphere - to increase their exports.

Yet, according to analysts, only Venezuela, which claims to have a spare output capacity of one million barrels daily, can substantially boost its petroleum production.

Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez Wednesday said his country could lift its oil output by 400,000 to 500,000 barrels a day, but would do so only within the framework of an agreement with other producing nations. Venezuela exports about 1.6 million barrels a day, with 60 percent going to the United States.

Other Western Hemisphere oil exporters - Canada, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico Peru, and Trinidad and Tobago - are already pumping "close to full capacity," said Rafael Quijano, an analyst with Petroleum Finance Co., a Washington consulting firm.

Quijano noted that Ecuador and Colombia could raise their output by up to 20,000 and 30,000 barrels a day, respectively, not enough to make a dent in the international demand for fuel. In the case of Venezuela, part of the added production would be heavy crudes of lower quality than Middle Eastern oil.

Mexico, with over 49 billion barrels in proven oil reserves, could barely manage 100,000 additional barrels a day and could only sustain a higher output level for a few weeks, Quijano said. Other analysts estimate that the additional capacity would merely be 15,000 to 20,000 barrels a day.

George Baker, the Berkeley, Calif.-based executive secretary of the Consortium for Research on Mexico at the University of California, said Mexico has become a victim of years of underinvestment in oil due to the debt crisis that broke out in 1982, the inefficiency of its oil state company, and the tradition of economic nationalism enshrined in the country's constitution, which prohibits the activities of foreign oil enterprises on Mexican soil.

Quijano pointed out that Petroleos Mexicanos, the state company, has dramatically dropped its investments in exploration and production since 1986, resulting in a 500,000 barrel-a-day drop in production capacity, to the current 2.5 million barrels.

Mexican officers who asked not to be identified told United Press International in Mexico that their country needs to invest $13 billion to $14 billion until 1994 just to maintain and marginally increase its current oil output.

An internal study of the state company Petroleos Mexicanos - known as Pemex - calculated that without new investments in oil production, the country could become a petroleum importer by 1997.

Quijano estimated that during this decade Mexico needs to invest about $2 billion a year to keep pace with an internal demand rising about five percent a year and maintain its present level of oil exports of between 1.2 million and 1.3 million barrels daily. About 55 percent to 60 percent of Mexico's oil exports go to the United States and the rest mainly to Japan, Spain, Western Europe, and Israel.

Baker said that Mexico could receive a windfall of more than $1 billion during 1990 from higher world oil prices due to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. That added revenue would not necessarily benefit Pemex, "which has no authority whatsoever over oil export revenues, which go directly to the Central Bank" and are coveted by many, Baker cautioned.

Both Baker and Quijano said cash-starved Pemex simply does not have the resources needed to invest in production and exploration. To make things worse, private banks are reluctant to lend to Mexico after the losses they suffered by their recent agreement to reduce the country's foreign debt. Mexico's debt still stands at $95 billion and and its service siphons off large resources that cannot be devoted to investment.

Those circumstances leaves official lenders such as the U.S. Export-Import Bank, or its Japanese counterpart, as virtually the only sources of credit for the Mexican oil company. The analysts emphasized that official lending can not cover the oil investment needs of Mexico.

Baker and Quijano believe Mexico will have to find innovative ways to incorporate foreign private companies into the oil sector. "They do not have to resort to production or exploration agreements with foreigners" that would run against traditional Mexican economic nationalism, Quijano said.

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DETROIT (AUG. 9) UPI - Ford Motor Co. announced Thursday yet another extension of its buyer incentive program, this time cutting finance rates on several mid-sized cars - including its Taurus and Sable - to as low as 4.8 percent on 48-month loans.

Ford also said it will subsidize special financing rates on its recently introduced 1991-model Escort and Tracer subcompact cars in regions where dealers believe sales are slow.

Those low rates, to be offered for about three weeks through its Ford Credit subsidiary, will be determined by each dealer group and advertised locally, company spokesman Bill Carroll said, noting that an incentive program paying dealers cash to sell those cars expired this week.

Ford's new overall program, which runs until Sept. 26 or the end of the 1990-model year, is also offering 4.8 percent rates on its Thunderbird and Cougar coupes. Cash rebates of $1,000 may be chosen in lieu of the discount financing on those models as well as the Taurus and Sable. Ford last offered 4.8 percent financing on 48-month loans in December, a company spokesman said, but different models were eligible.

Several other vehicle lines carry rebates little changed from before, now ranging from $600 to $2,000, with $1,000 offered on a total of 11 car lines. Most have financing alternatives with rates as low as 7.9 percent on 48 month contracts.

The latest revisions are aimed more at undercutting recently extended offers on mid-sized cars like General Motors Corp.'s Chevrolet Lumina than to spur sales of larger, relatively less fuel-efficient cars in the wake of the Persian Gulf crisis, which resulted in steep price increases at the gas pump during the last week.

"With all the gains made in fuel economy since the last oil shock, some of these mid-sized models now get almost as good fuel economy as our smaller models do," one company spokesman noted.

Ford also said it is offering incentives on its smallest cars, including a $750 rebate on its Festiva subcompact and $1,000 back on leftover 1989 and 1990 Escorts.

Some industry analysts believe buyers will shy from the market while they wait to see how widespread an effect the Iraqi invasion has on fuel prices and the nation's economy in general.

"I think the macro-economic implications for the auto market are a lot more significant than changes in the behavior as to what kind of car people buy," one Ford sales analyst said.

Automakers are apparently conncerned that the inflationary effect of higher pump prices could cause the Federal Reserve not to ease interest rates, which would hurt overall new vehicle sales. "That's the much bigger concern in terms of the potential impact on sales," he said.

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AMMAN, JORDAN (AUG. 9) UPI - Jordanian youths staged anti-American protests and demanded Thursday they be allowed to join the Iraqi army to ''fight external aggression,'' and authorities sounded air raid alarms amid general war hysteria sweeping the kingdom.

King Hussein, who throughout the Kuwaiti invasion dispute has backed Iraq's President Saddam Hussein, departed for Cairo to join other Arab leaders in a summit aimed at finding a regional solution to the crisis.

Egyptian television reported the monarch was considering whether to adhere to a tough sanction package imposed by the U.N. security council against Iraq.

But Jordan's crown prince tried to reassure Westerners concerned Jordan is closely allying itself to Iraq.

''We are wrongly described as an ally of Iraq. We are not an ally of Baghdad,'' Crown Prince Hassan, brother of Jordan's King Hussein, told London's Independent in an interview published Thursday.

Amman said it did not recognize the ''Provisional Free Kuwait government '' which was installed by Iraq after the invasion. Baghdad announced Wednesday it was annexing the oil-rich emirate, making the new government obsolete after only four days of rule.

Despite enjoying sound relations with the West, the nation of 2.8 million has supported Iraq in regional and international forums and is allied through the Arab Cooperation Council because Baghdad is its major defense against Israel.

A civil defense official said air raid sirens sounded across the kingdom at about noon were to warn of the approach of an unidentified aircraft, which he inferred was Israeli.

However, Civil Defense Director Afif al-Ghul said on state-run radio that the sirens were ''blown off for reasons of experiment and to see if they work.''

Alarms at all government departments, schools and hotels were similarly tested, he said. The kingdom is reported to have placed its military in a high state of alert, with officials saying they fear Israel may exploit Iraq's diverted attention and invade.

In Israel, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said his nation would not attack

any neighbors, but vowed to defend against any aggression.

Amid the mounting pro-Iraq sentiment, Jordanian politicians from across the spectrum voiced their support of Saddam and congratulated King Hussein for siding with the strongman.

A message sent from a left-wing party hailed the monarch for ''not letting down your people and for supporting Iraq, which is being subjected to imperialist hostility.''

More than 50 youths protested outside a building that houses the ''Committee for the Solidarity and Defence of the Arab Kuwaiti people,'' a body that backs the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and has registered thousands of Jordanians and Palestinians who want to join the Iraqi army.

''We demand to be given the opportunity to defend Iraq against any external aggression,'' one protestor shouted.

Others chanted ''Down with America,'' and ''Allah Akbar,'' or ''God is Great,'' before the group marched to the Iraqi Embassy to demand entry permits to Iraq.

Government officials reported some foreigners were trickling into Jordan overland from Baghdad, where at least 400 Britons, West Germans and Americans have been housed in a hotel since being shipped to Iraq from Kuwait during the weekend.

Officials said that early Thursday 15 Japanese, six Britons, five Americans, five Canadians, one Tanzanian and one Paksitani crossed the border along with hundreds of Arab nationals.

The U.S. Embassy would not comment on reports by government officials that about ''two dozen'' Americans and some Britons had arrived on an Iraqi Airways flight Wednesday.

In Washington, the State Department said Baghdad had freed a 10-year-old girl, but 38 other U.S. citizens remained ''sequestered'' in the Iraqi capital.

Saddam's requests for Arab backing, particularly now that Saudi Arabia has accepted U.S. forces on its soil to defend against his formidable force in Kuwait, have struck a deep chord among Jordanian fundamentalist groups.

''Saddam has become the hero of nationalism and revived pan-Arabism,'' said politician Kamel Abu Jaber. ''He has alleviated Arab dignity at a time when Arabs were suffering from humiliation at the hands of the Americans and Western hegemony.''

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(AUG. 9) UPI - World crude-oil prices were mixed in light trading early Thursday as traders awaited the outcome of an Arab summit meeting and possible reaction by Iraq to the movement of American military forces into Saudi Arabia. "Everyone is waiting until they see what (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein's next move is," said Peter Beutel of New York's Merrill Lynch Futures Inc.

The United States began moving military forces into Saudi Arabia Wednesday in an effort to dissuade a possible Iraqi attack from its positions in occupied Kuwait. Saudi Arabia is the world's largest crude-oil exporter.

"Depending on what comes out of the Arab summit meeting, the market will receive its next direction," said Nauman Barakat, first vice president of Shearson Lehman Hutton's International Energy Desk in New York.

Leaders of Arab nations were meeting in Cairo to discuss a possible Arab solution to Saddam's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. Iraq announced Wednesday it had annexed its oil-rich Persian Gulf neighbor.

On the European cash markets, Dubai light, the key Mideast crude produced by the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and shipped mainly to the Far East, was being unchanged from late Wednesday at $21.80 a barrel.

It had fallen $3.95 Wednesday on reports that Saudi Arabia had agreed to raise its daily output by 2 million barrels to help make up for the 4.6-5 million barrels lost by the world embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports. Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent crude was down ten cents to $24.65 a barrel after losing $3.65 a barrel Wednesday.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for September delivery was up 45 cents at midday to $26.40 a barrel after trading as low as $25.35 a barrel earlier. It fell $2.35 to $25.96 a barrel Wednesday.

Unleaded gasoline for September delivery, which nosedived 6.18 cents Wednesday, was up 1.54 cents a gallon to 77.75 cents a gallon in early trading on the Merc.

September heating oil, which dropped 5.01 cents Wednesday, was gaining 1.12 cents to 71.25 cents a gallon. On the U.S. Gulf Coast cash market, prompt delivery WTI was virtually unchanged at $26 a barrel.

Beutel said, "The market is trying to adjust itself to where it wants to be. Some traders feel in their hearts that Saddam Hussein is going to do

something that will cause problems."

Barakat said Merc crude prices were moving lower earlier when rumors hit the trading floor that Iraq was moving troops toward its border with Turkey and had closed all its borders.

Joseph Tovey, a New York energy consultant, raised the possibility that Iraq could easily swing troops along its Turkish border down into Syria and gain a Mediterranean outlet for its oil exports. Syria, which sided with Iran during the eight-year Iran-Iraq war, closed down a oil pipeline from Iraq in 1982.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - In a move that could further drive up the price of diesel fuel but which promises to virtually eliminate the belching black smoke from diesel engines, the Environmental Protection Agency Thursday ordered an 80 percent cut in the sulfur in the fuel over three years.

The new rule will add between 1.8 cents and 2.3 cents per gallon to the cost of the fuel, heavily used within the transportation industry as a fuel for trucks, buses and locomotives. Some passenger cars also have diesel engines.

Although the price of fuel will go up, the EPA also said the prospect of lessened engine wear and cheaper emissions controls could offset some or all of the higher per-gallon price.

EPA Administrator William Reilly said the measure marks ''an important step for cleaner air and protection from the harmful effects of particulates.''

Reilly said the cut will have the largest effect in urban areas where particulate levels are the highest and where more people are exposed to the emissions.

''This action, along with the stringent heavy duty particulate reduction standards for 1991 and later vehicles will virtually eliminate the black smoke from diesel tailpipes, cutting particulates by 90 percent,'' Reilly said in a statement announcing the change.

In addition, the move should help reduce the contribution of diesel exhausts to acid rain, the EPA said.

The EPA said it was especially concerned about the minute size of the particulates in diesel emissions. The fine particles can be inhaled and

pose a greater health impact because they can remain within the respiratory system for a long time. Their effect is compounded because they are typically emitted at ground level in heavily populated areas.

Diesel exhaust has been identified as a potential cause of cancer.

The cost of the new rule will depend upon the volume of diesel fuel controlled, and it requires refiners to reduce the sulfur content of diesel fuel used on the road from 0.25 percent by weight to 0.05 percent.

The EPA said small refiners have until 1995 to phase in the new standards, but they will be required to meet interim standards as they install equipment necessary to remove the sulfur.

To protect 1994 and later model-year engine designs, which will require the low-sulfur fuel, diesel fuel produced under the two-year extension may be sold only for vehicles equipped with pre-1994 engines or for off-highway use.

The new rule also is expected to help diesel engine manufacturers meet tighter particulate exhaust standards in 1991 and 1994.

Tne EPA said that the lower sulfur fuels also will cut secondary formation of particulates in the atmosphere. The majority of the sulfur in the fuel is emitted as sulfur dioxide, and much of it later is oxidized into sulfuric acid and ammonium sulfates, both contributors to acid rain.

The federal environmental watchdog said particulates should be reduced by 190,000 tons per year by 1995. Sulfur dioxide levels, it said, should fall by 580,000 tons per year.

The agency said the annual costs to refiners will range from $380 million to $910 million in 1995 and from $540 million to $1.3 billion by 2010.

However, the agency said that partially offsetting that cost will be manufacuturers' ability to use less costly emission control devices, resulting in consumer savings of $60 to $325 per vehicle. Total savings, including expected fuel savings from the use of catalytic devices, which use less energy than technology that otherwise might have been used, will be $200 million in 1995 and $465 million in 2010.

And the agency said that if the diesel fuel sulfur cuts result in reduced engine wear, as some information suggests, consumer savings could outweigh the increased costs per gallon for the low-sulfur fuel.

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BOSTON (AUG. 9) UPI - A newly discovered gene that causes a disorder once called Elephant Man's disease apparently is among a family of genes that may play a key role in the development of some cancers, researchers said Thursday.

The gene for the often-disfiguring disease neurofibromatosis appears to be a member of a family of genes called GAP that might act to hold cancerous tumor growth in check, or when flawed to help trigger cancer, said Raymond White of the University of Utah.

Last month, research teams led by White and by Dr. Francis Collins of the University of Michigan announced they had independently identified the long-sought gene that causes neurofibromatosis 1, or NF 1. The disease is one of the most common genetic disorders, affecting about 100,000 Americans and one in 4,000 infants worldwide.

NF 1, which has no cure, causes uncontrolled growth of nerves and other tissue. Most people with the disease develop light brown skin splotches and many have tumors of the nerve network. The disease had been called Elephant Man's disease because John Merrick, a 19th century Englishman whose life was the subject of a play and a movie, was thought to have suffered from it. Doctors now believe he actually had another disorder.

It appears the NF 1 gene is in the GAP family because of the ''striking similarity'' between the way certain proteins are formed at the gene's direction and the way other proteins are made by a known GAP gene, White and co-researchers reported in the scientific journal Cell.

Genes are blueprints that cells use to make proteins that have a large variety of functions in the body. In the process of making proteins, substances called amino acids are linked together in a certain sequence to form a polypeptide chain.

''Whenever you have a new gene, you look to see whether there are any similarities in the amino acid sequences the gene produces'' and the sequences formed by previously identified genes, White said.

The close similarity in amino acid sequencing the Utah researchers found between the NF 1 gene and the GAP gene they compared it to lends support to scientists' suspicions that the NF 1 gene might help trigger cancer under certain circumstances, White said.

The NF 1 gene is a flawed version of one of about 100,000 genes on 23 pairs of chromosomes that humans get from their parents. People with neurofibromatosis have inherited the abnormal gene, but in some people the gene is thought to change, or mutate, after birth, White said.

He said researchers think that in their normal form, GAP genes may be

beneficial by helping prevent cancer-causing genes called oncogenes from setting off out-of-control cell reproduction. But if GAP genes are damaged or mutated, they seem to lose their tumor suppression capabilities and give oncogenes the green light for cancer cell growth, White said.

White said the latest discovery should ''drop the NF 1 gene right into the hotbed of research on oncogenes'' and may further the understanding of interactions between oncogenes and other genes that may function in part as traffic signals, giving cancer-triggering genes stop or go signs.

Previously, White led a team that identified the gene for retinoblastoma, a cancer of the retina of the eye that affects up to one in 15,000 infants. That gene also is thought to play roles in both inhibiting and triggering tumor growth.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Continental Airlines Holdings Inc. announced Thursday that Frank Lorenzo will sell most of his investment in the company and will step down as its chairman and chief executive officer in efforts to bolster Continental.

The controversial Lorenzo, frequently portrayed as a villian by labor unions, said in a statement issued in New York by the company that he will retain his duties as a board director but is selling most of his investment to the company for $17 million. He kept an existing option on 783,333 shares.

"In building Continental over these many years, changes were clearly required to allow Continental's people to develop the successful company that we are today, and I have obviously become a lightning rod.

"By stepping aside, as part of these arrangements, the hard work and dedication of our people can continue, and we can accelerate our progress toward excellence," his statement said.

Scandinavian Airlines System, which acquired a 9.9 percent share of Houston-based Continental Holdings in October 1988, will spend about $50 million to increase its interest in Continental to 16.8 percent of the equity and 18.4 percent of the voting stock.

Delta Airlines President Hollis Harris, 58, was named Continental Airlines chief executive. Lorenzo called Harris "one of the industry's most experienced and highly regarded executives with an outstanding reputation."

The Continental board of directors said Jan Carlzon, SAS president and chief executive officer, had agreed to consider accepting the post of

non-executive chairman. Carlzon already is a board member.

"Carlzon is one of the most respected international executives and our board believes he would add enormous credibility to Continental's already strong product credentials," Lorenzo's statement said.

The proposal awaits approval from the Department of Transportation and the Justice Department. Federal laws limit a foreign carrier to owning 25 percent of a U.S. airline, but the deal falls within those guideines. SAS is based in Stockholm.

The proposal calls for SAS to acquire Jet Capital Corp. for $21 million or about $4.60 a share. Lorenzo and other Jet directors own more than 80 percent of Jet Capital. Jet Capital shareholders also have yet to approve the deal. SAS also will buy from Continental 2.25 million shares of common stock at $14 a share.

In addition to Carlzon, Continental's board invited SAS to nominate two additional representatives to serve on the board. SAS indicated one nominee will be a U.S. citizen.

"This is a sound investment opportunity for SAS, and a logical development of the investment we made in 1988," said Carlzon. "Since we teamed up with Continental almost two years ago, we have seen a steady growth in our North American traffic ... the alliance between Continental and SAS has been to the benefit of the passengers and a success for both airlines."

Continental Airlines Holdings was known as Texas Air Corp. until June, when it changed its name. It is the parent company of Houston-based Continental Airlines and of beleaguered Eastern Airlines, based in Miami.

Lorenzo served as chief executive officer of both Continental Airlines and Texas Air as well as the latter's predecessor, Texas International Airlines.

Controversy is nothing new to the 50-year-old executive who was embroiled in a bitter battle with Eastern's unions over his attempts to lower labor costs. A strike that begun in March 1989 sent the carrier into Chapter 11 bankruptcy, from which it has yet to emerge.

Despite the former Texas Air's June name change, the parent remains responsible for Eastern's pension debt, which could total nearly half a billion dollars.

Continental made a dramatic financial turnaround from last year and the year before, but much of its net income comes from one-time gains such as lawsuit settlements and asset sales. Its debt service costs remain high.

Lorenzo was chief executive officer of Continental Airline Holdings and its Texas-based corporate predecessors for 18 years. Texas Air took over Continental Airlines in 1981; in 1983, Lorenzo became CEO of the airline for a seven-month stint after the carrier filed for Chapter 11 protection in September 1983. He was replaced by Philip Bakes and then resumed leadership of the airline in July 1987.

Lorenzo was considered a union-busting enemy by the unions representing airline workers following his moves in 1983 to abbrogate union contracts in conjunction with Continental Air's bankruptcy filing, and his subsequent replacement of union labor with lower-paid non-union employees.

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JERUSALEM (AUG. 9) UPI - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said Thursday Israel was not planning an offensive action in the wake of the gulf crisis but warned it would defend itself aggressively against any hostility.

On Wednesday, Iraq charged Israel was planning to attack it with military planes disguised as American aircraft and on Thursday Jordanian officials said they sounded an air raid siren in Amman to warn against an unidentified plane they believed was Israeli.

Israeli officials have denied the charges as well as any involvement in the Western military buildup in the Gulf, but stressed that Israel was taking the Iraqi threat seriously.

Iraq invaded and then annexed the tiny oil-rich emirate of Kuwait and massed troops along Kuwait's borders with Saudi Arabia. The United States has deployed thousands of troops to the kingdom to guard against a possible Iraqi attack and other European nations have sent military support to the region.

''This is another lie by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein intended to promote his violent aims,'' the Israel army spokesman said of the charge that Israel was camouflaging its planes.

Speaking to a group of Israeli mayors, Shamir said Israel was facing threats to its security and would not ignore them.

''Anyone scheming to attack Israel must know that it has the ability to defend its security and that whoever tries to attack will bring upon himself a great tragedy,'' he said. ''Israel has no intentions of attacking any of its neighbors, but it knows how to deal with anyone who tries to attack it.''

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(AUG. 9) UPI - Summer markdowns figured heavily into sluggish-to-moderate July sales gains reported Thursday by the nation's largest retail chains, which may suffer pinched profit margins as a result.

Continuing a months-long trend, specialty and department stores fared better in July than merchants whose mix includes big-ticket appliances and hard goods shunned by consumers who fear a recession is looming.

Standouts for the month included The Gap, a boutique-style casual wear retailer, Dayton Hudson department stores, and Woolworth Corp., which has recently shifted its focus from five-and-dimes to specialty shop operations such as Foot Locker and Champs. At the same time, general merchandise giants such as Sears, Roebuck & Co. and K mart Corp. posted sluggish July results.

Nationwide, retail sales were up 6.3 percent from a year earlier on a seasonally adjusted basis, according to an index prepared by Prescott, Ball & Turben.

"Discounts were deeper than they usually are in July, which is a clearance month," said Kurt Barnard, publisher of Barnard's Retail Marketing Report in New York. "The figures demonstrate the results of intense sales promotions that hurt margins."

Chicago-based Sears, the nation's largest retailer, said on a comparable-store basis - stores open at least one year - sales rose 3.1 percent, while gross revenues of $2.52 billion were up 3.7 percent from $2.43 billion a year earlier.

Earlier this week, Sears demoted the head of its general merchandise group, Michael Bozic, who was responsible for the retailer's shift last year to an "everyday low price" policy that has failed to catch on with consumers.

K mart, the nation's second-largest retailer based in Troy, Mich., said comparable or same-store sales - generally considered the best measure of a retailer's performance, were up 2.2 percent. K mart's total July sales increased 12 percent to $2.27 billion from $2.02 billion a year earlier. "We are pleased with July results considering the relatively weak retail environment," said Chairman Joseph Antonni.

Even fast-growing Wal-Mart Stores Inc. of Bentonville, Ark., showed some symptoms of sluggish consumer spending. Same-store sales were up eight percent - a strong showing compared to other retailers but off the mark from Wal Mart's typical double-digit increases - while net sales increased 21 percent to $2.4 billion from $1.98 billion a year earlier.

Among the bright spots, The Gap Inc. of San Francisco reported comparable store sales increased 28 percent, while total sales of $114 million represented a 36 percent increased over sales of $84 million a year earlier.

"The Gap continues to have a grip on casual America," said Janet Mangano, a stock analyst for Jesup, Josephthal & Co. in New York. "They do not have to be especially promotional because their clothes are selling themselves."

Minneapolis-based Dayton Hudson Corp. said its department store division - including Marshall Field's, which was acquired by the company earlier this year - had a same-store sales increase of eight percent in July. Comparable store sales at the company's Target's and Mervyn's discount divisions rose five percent and two percent, respectively. Dayton Hudson said total sales increased 16.4 percent in July to $984 million from $845 million a year earlier.

New York-based Woolworth said its same-store domestic sales were up 4.9 percent in July, while its total domestic sales increased 8.7 percent to $389 million from $358 million.

Among other retailers, Dallas-based J.C. Penney Inc. said comparable-store sales rose 2.4 percent, while total sales were up 3.8 percent to $1.09 billion from $1.05 billion a year earlier.

May Department Stores Co. of St. Louis said same-store sales were up 4.4 percent. Total sales rose 9.8 percent to $606.8 million from $552.7 million a year ago.

Some retailers choose not to report their monthly sales revenues or do not do so because they are privately held. Among those not reproting: Federated Department Stores Inc., Allied Stores Corp., R.H. Macy & Co., Nordstrom Inc. and Montgomery Ward & Co.

Other results: The Limited Inc. of Columbus, Ohio, said same-store sales increeased 6 percent, while net sales were up 19 percent to $348.9 million from $292.5 million a year earlier.

The Neiman Marcus Group Inc., of Chestnut Hill, Mass., reported a 6.6 percent rise in comparable-store sales. Total revenues rose 10 percent to $116 million from $105.5 million.

Los Angeles-based Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. said same-store sales rose 0.4 percent, while total sales of $176 million were 0.9 percent ahead of $174.5 million a year earlier.

Hills Department Stores Inc. of Canton, Mass., said same-store sales increased 19 percent, while total sales of $157.3 million were up 22

percent from $128.9 million a year ago.

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#90221u1056 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - The word from official Burmese Radio is that government troops shot in the air... NOT at demonstrators... during a pro-democracy scuffle in Mandalay, which is about 300 miles north of Burma's capital of Rangoon. Western diplomats in Burma said yesterday that government troops shot and killed four demonstrators in the incident.

Lightning touched off more wildfires in Western forests, where about 75-thousand acres of brushland, timber and recreational areas have burned. Three-thousand firefighters are working in scorching heat to douse lightning-ignited fires in central and eastern Oregon. Fire crews mopped up earlier fires, including one that destroyed 22 homes and caused five-Million dollars west of Bend.

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OMAHA (AUG. 9) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and calves 25; insufficent for test.

Hogs 1,500; butchers 1.00-1.50 lower; No 1-3 220-250 lb. 57.50-58.00, couple hundred head 58.00, No 2-3 250-270 lb 56.50-57.50, 270-310 lb 53.00-56.00, instance 56.50 on 270-280 lb; sows 1.00 lower; No 1-3 350-500 lb 49.50, some over 450 lb 50.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb largely 50.50, some over 575 lb 51.00.

Sheep None.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange board of directors Thursday named William H. Donaldson chairman and chief executive officer, succeeding John J. Phelan Jr., who is retiring at the end of the year.

Donaldson, 59, served as a director of the stock exchange from 1972 to 1973. He is a co-founder of Donaldson Lufkin & Jenrette, the New York-based brokerage house founded in 1959. He left the firm in 1973 to serve as undersecretary of state in the Nixon administration.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Americans are watching their diets more carefully than ever but southerners take a more laid-back view of salt and cholesterol than Yankees, a survey reported Thursday.

In the Roper Organization Poll commissioned by USA Weekend, 2,000 persons around the country named salt as the biggest diet villain, with 18 percent saying they avoid it completely, and 46 percent saying they use it only sparingly.

Nineteen percent said they avoid foods high in cholesterol and 41 percent said they only eat them in small quantities.

Sixty percent said they also try to shun alcoholic beverages, 57 percent said they tried to avoided sugar, 56 percent named fried foods, 53 percent foods with nitrites, 53 percent deserts and sweets, 52 percent sugar substitutes.

Forty-six percent said they also avoid foods sprayed with pesticides, 46 percent named red meat, 41 percent caffeine, and 35 percent starches.

New Englanders were the most diet conscious, with 30 percent saying they don't touch salt. Seventy-two percent said they tried to avoid foods containing chloesterol.

Only 13 percent of southerners said they avoided salt and 46 percent were concerned about cholesterol.

Along the Gulf Coast, only 15 percent said they avoided salt and 58 percent said they watch their cholesterol intake.

Fourteen percent of Prairie states residents said they shunned salt and 58 percent said they were cholesterol wary.

On the West Coast, 19 percent said they avoided salt and 67 percent said they they watched cholesterol in their diets.

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#90221u1079 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (AUG. 9) UPI - Iraq agreed Thursday to participate in an emergency Arab summit called to forestall further foreign involvement in the Persian Gulf crisis while U.S. forces took up positions in Saudi Arabia.

The summit had been scheduled to begin Thursday evening in Cairo but was postponed until Friday morning to give Arab leaders more time to travel to the Egyptian capital.

Tension in the region mounted Thursday despite the moves toward finding a solution to the crisis, which was touched off last week when Iraq invaded neighboring Kuwait and exacerbated Wednesday when President Saddam Hussein said he was annexing the oil-rich emirate.

Iran, Libya and other hard-line Arab nations indicated that while they were unhappy with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last week, they were equally concerned about the presence of troops from Europe and the United States gathering in the gulf.

Arab leaders, including Syrian President Hafez Assad and Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi, arrived in Cairo Thursday for the emergency summit, where Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak was expected to call for a joint Arab peace-keeping force and an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

The deposed emir of conquered Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah, planned to lead a delegation to the summit, Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported.

The news agency also said Taha Yassin Ramadan, Iraq's first deputy prime minister, would attend the emergency Arab session along with three other delegates, including Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. Aziz had disappeared from public view last week at the same time as reports surfaced that said Baghdad had executed more than 100 military officers.

Also Thursday, the United Nations declared Iraq's annexation of Kuwait was null and void and urged member nations to refuse to recognize the action.

President Bush ordered U.S. troops into Saudi Arabia because of concern that the Iraqi force that took Kuwait so easily would advance into Saudi Arabia. The Americans began arriving in Saudi Arabia Wednesday and sources said the U.S. force could grow to 50,000 troops.

Jordan set off air raid alarms and Secretary of State James Baker reportedly told Turkish leaders in Ankara that NATO would be willing to defend Turkey if Iraq attacked across the Turkish border. A Western diplomat based in Cairo said Iraqi troops also were massing on the Iraq-Turkey border.

The gulf also was the scene of multinational military movement, with U.S. troop deployments to Saudi Arabia reportedly expected to reach 50,000. Saudi King Fahd appeared on television to tell his nation that the foreign troops on Saudi soil were necessary to maintain security in case Iraqi troops massed at the Kuwaiti border attacked.

Turkey beefed up security along its border with Iraq, wary that Baghdad will retaliate because Ankara has honored a U.N.-imposed embargo against Iraq by cutting off shipments of oil from two Iraqi pipelines that cross

Turkey to the Mediterranean.

The Soviet Union said it would consider joining a multinational military force in the Middle East only if it was set up by the U.N. Security Council. Two Soviet military ships passed through the Suez Canal, but their mission was not clear.

The Iraq News Agency said Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yassir Arafat met with Saddam Thursday and sources said the PLO leader went to Baghdad to convince his ally to participate in the Arab summit.

Iraq's old foe Iran - with which it fought for eight years before a truce in 1988 - warned the massive presence of American military forces in the gulf was ''more dangerous ... on developments in the region than Iraq's military occupation of Kuwait,'' the Iranian News Agency said in a dispatch monitored in Washington.

Mohsen Rezaei, commander of the battle-hardened Islamic Revolution Guards Corps, said the United States was using the incident in Kuwait as an opportunity to tighten its control on the flow of oil in the gulf.

But Iran also warned that as a major power in the region, it would not tolerate an ''alteration in the political geography of the region.''

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - Non-fuel commodity prices fell in June by 2.6 percent in dollar terms on world markets, partly offsetting a cumulative price increase of 4.2 percent registered in the preceding four months, the International Monetary Fund said Thursday.

The multilateral organization noted the monthly fall was broad based, reversing earlier signs of a possible uptrend in prices.

During June, the sharpest price declines were recorded for: fine wool, 15 percent; bananas, 14 percent; sugar in the free market, 11 percent; coconut oil, 10 percent; wheat, 9 percent; cocoa, 8 percent; and copper, 6 percent.

At the end of June, the IMF's index of non-fuel commodity prices was 7.3 percent below year-earlier levels.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - The Royal Dutch/Shell Group of Companies reported Thursday second-quarter earnings fell 43 percent compared to a year ago,

largely as a result of falloff in U.S. and crude oil production profits.

Earnings for the three months ended June 30 were $940 million, off from $1.64 billion earned in the same period in 1989. For the first six months, earnings fell to $2.29 billion from $3.88 billion in 1989, Shell said.

The group is made up of Royal Dutch Petroleum Co. and Shell Transport and Trading Co., each of which is separately traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

Royal Dutch's second-quarter earnings declined to $1.11 a share from $1.93 a share in 1989. Earnings for the first half dropped to $2.70 a share from $4.57 a share in 1989, a company statement said.

Shell Transport's quarterly earnings fell to 62 cents on its American Depositary Receipts from last year's $1.09 an ADR. First-half earnings dropped to 1.53 an ADR from 1989's $2.59 an ADR.

ADRs are issued by U.S. banks to facilitate the trading of foreign securities by easing their transfer overseas and conversion to foreign currencies.

Royal Dutch/Shell Group's second-quarter revenues increased to $27.86 billion from 1989's $26.17 billion, while first-half revenues reached $56.99 billion from last year's $51.19 billion.

Shell said second-quarter earnings fell largely as a result of lower world crude prices.

Exploration-and-production earnings dropped to $396 million in the second quarter from last year's $556 million, with the U.S. sector recording a $72 million loss as opposed to a $98 million profit in 1989.

Second-quarter earnings from the company's chemicals business fell $93 million to $175 million. Most of the falloff came from U.S. operations.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - In a move that underscores the uncertain cost of his show of force in Saudi Arabia, President Bush will protect those troops from budget cuts that could occur Oct. 1 to reduce the deficit, the White House announced Thursday.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Bush will order military personnel exempted ''as necessary'' from across-the-board cuts that would be triggered by the failure of budget negotiations between the administration and Congress.

Under the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings balanced-budget law, Congress must take action by Oct. 1, the start of the new fiscal year, to cut the projected deficit for 1991 by more than $100 billion to escape the automatic cuts.

Fitzwater said Bush, who must decide by Aug. 15 whether to include military personnel in preparations for such reductions, will ''exempt whatever forces are necessary to ensure that (the defense of Saudi Arabia) is not impeded.''

The order, to be reflected in initial budget-cutting orders due Aug. 25 from the Office of Management and Budget, most likely would be selective in scope and not exempt all military personnel from the law, Fitzwater said.

Bush said Wednesday that he asked the Pentagon for a cost estimate of his massive deployment of combat aircraft, warships and as many as 50,000 troops to Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf, ordered Monday to defend against possible aggression by Iraq and pressure its withdrawal from Kuwait.

Fitzwater said Bush discussed that issue, which further complicates the budget impasse between the administration and Congress, with his top advisers Wednesday evening, but emphasized no conclusions were reached.

Fitzwater acknowledged, however, that the Persian Gulf crisis has forced the administration to reassess its position on how to trim as much as $50 billion from the projected deficit for next year through spending cuts, tax hikes and fees.

With budget negotiations scheduled to resume in September, he said the administration ''may alter'' its proposals ''to reflect new realities'' such as the unknown costs of the open-ended U.S. military commitment in the gulf.

In contrast to suggestions that the gulf crisis, which has led to a rise in oil prices, may push the country so close to recession as to make major spending cuts and tax increases too big a risk for a shaky economy, Fitzwater said Bush still wants to cut ''as much as possible'' from the deficit.

''We will continue to support the budget negotiations. We will continue to press the Democrats to present a proposal and we will work to that end,'' he said.

The Gramm-Rudman-Hollings law requires that any across-the-board spending cuts needed to reach deficit-reduction targets, a process known as sequestration, be divided equally between military and non-military

programs.

In a July 16 mid-year review of the budget situation, the administration calculated that a $100 billion sequestration - based on projections that the fiscal 1991 deficit will hit $168.6 billion, compared with a target of $64 billion - would require a uniform cut of 25.1 percent in military programs with personnel included and 41.3 percent with all personnel exempted.

That would mean a more severe impact on civilian Pentagon employees and other defense programs. Bush has the legal authority to exempt only manpower and not equipment or other costs associated with the Persian Gulf deployments.

An aide to a key Congressional budget negotiator said Wednesday that the gulf crisis and fears of a recession could prompt House and Senate negotiators to slash the budget deficit reduction package by up to half.

The aide said any inability to slash Pentagon spending because of the Persian Gulf would make it harder to cut domestic spending and federal benefit programs.

House Budget Committee Chairman Leon Panetta, D-Calif., said in a telephone interview, ''I think we ought to try to get as close to the $50 (billion) as we can so that would mean we ought not to drop below $40 (billion.)''

Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas told reporters that, because of the Middle East situation, ''we might want to be a bit more reasonable on defense (cuts).'' He also said a gas tax hike is now unlikely.

House Armed Services Committee Chairman Les Aspin, D-Wis., told reporters that the Middle East situation might cause budget negotiators to ''breathe a big sigh of relief and reluctantly conclude that for good reasons for our economy we really shouldn't get a $50 billion reduction package ... that would strangle the economy.''

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(AUG. 9) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Avnet Inc (4th Q 6-30)	
$447,900,000	$456,900,000
$7,500,000 (.22)	$19,800,000 (.55)

Bell Industries (4th Q 6-30)
$102,867,000 $105,671,000
$2,869,000 (.49) $1,461,000 (.25)

Blessings Corp (2nd Q 7-14)
$24,153,200 $22,507,700
$1,752,600 (.54) $786,900 (.25)

Dekalb Energy (2nd Q)
$20,391,000 $17,144,000
$1,533,000 (.15) $11,125,000 (1.07)

Elbit Computers Ltd (2nd Q 6-30)
$87,922,000 $38,493,000
$5,341,000 (.35) $2,938,000 (.21)

Eljer Industries Inc (2nd Q 7-1)
$114,867,000 $106,067,000
$2,436,000 (.35) $2,950,000 (.42)

Goldcorp Investments (2nd Q 6-30)
$1,543,843 $1,603,855
$869,831 (.05) d-$893,261
d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Health-Chem Corp (2nd Q 6-30)
$10,798,000 $11,908,000
$86,000 (.02) $170,000 (.02)

IGI Inc (2nd Q 6-30)
$5,145,317 $4,706,800
$81,026 (.01) $89,757 (.01)

Johnston Industries (4th Q 6-30)
$34,597,000 $31,055,000
$958,000 (.19) $1,931,000 (.38)

Meridian Diagnostics Inc (2nd Q 6-30)
$2,177,000 $1,544,000
$123,000 (.03) $75,000 (.02)

North Amer Ventures (2nd Q 6-30)
$80,280,000 $75,211,000
$947,000 (.04) d-$1,524,000
d-Deficit.

Overseas Shipholding Grp (2nd Q 6-30)

$94,673,000 $76,606,000
$18,822,000 (.54) $13,696,000 (.38)

Parker Hannifin (4th Q 6-30)
$649,094,000 $622,277,000
$33,383,000 (.68) $18,812,000 (.38)

Personal Diagnostics Inc (3rd Q 6-30)
$2,753,329 $2,714,934
$137,146 (.03) $322,369 (.10)

Petroleum Equip Tools (2nd Q 6-30)
$12,207,000 $7,895,000
$898,000 (.06) d-$1,963,000
d-Deficit.

Piedmont Management (3rd Q 6-30)
$26,280,820 $31,164,085
$2,271,275 (.42) $4,555,460 (.85)

Piccadilly Cafeterias (4th Q 6-30)
$77,248,000 $73,956,000
$2,898,000 (.30) $2,612,000 (.27)

Playboy Enterprises (4th Q 6-30)
$42,404,000 $39,644,000
$261,000 (.01) d-$6,038,000
d-Deficit.

Procter & Gamble (4th Q 6-30)
$6,216,000,000 $5,433,000,000
$284,000,000 (.78) a-$171,000,000 (.50)
a-Includes a net charge of $78,000,000 related to restructuring costs.

Sara Lee Corp (4th Q 6-30)
$2,953,900,000 $3,056,200,000
$118,400,000 (.48) $102,700,000 (.43)

SJNB Financial (2nd Q 6-30)
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$294,000 (.18) d-$1,024,000
d-Deficit.

Vishay Intl (2nd Q 6-30)
$113,517,000 $106,160,000
$6,563,000 (.50) $4,002,000 (.32)

Wal Mart Stores (2nd Q 7-31)

$7,604,906,000 $6,087,623,000
$272,931,000 (.24) $219,048,000 (.19)

XL-Datacomp Inc (3rd Q 6-30)
$120,446,000 $88,570,000
$2,029,000 (.17) $4,320,000 (.36)

Zygo Corp (4th Q 6-30)
$7,775,000 $6,174,000
$469,000 (.19) $147,000 (.06)

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#90221u1149 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
BANGKOK, THAILAND (AUG. 9) UPI - A Cambodian resistance leader said Thursday U.S.-Vietnam talks on Cambodia this week could induce Vietnam to harden its position on a political settlement to the 11-year-old conflict.

''I would welcome the American new stand towards my homeland if it could really contribute to making Vietnam more flexible,'' said Prince Norodom Ranariddh, military commander of one of the three resistance groups fighting the Vietnamese-backed Cambodian government.

The United States announced last month it was reversing its policy and would hold talks with Vietnam to ensure against a return to power in Cambodia of the Khmer Rouge, one of the three resistance groups. The Khmer Rouge has been accused of killing up to 1 million Cambodian during its three years in power during the mid-1970s.

The resistance is worried that Vietnam leaders will take advantage of the new U.S. policy to harden their stand, Ranariddh said in a press statement.

He said Vietnam, which invaded Cambodia in late 1978, toppled the Khmer Rouge and installed the Phnom Penh regime, would interpret the American policy shift as a Vietnamese victory.

In the policy shift, the United States ended its diplomatic support for the resistance at the United Nations and offered to hold talks with Vietnam and, possibly, the Vietnamese-installed government in Cambodia.

Both the United States and Vietnam said the first round of talks in New York on Tuesday were ''useful.''

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#90221u1157 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - lower.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 58-61.

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#90221u1160 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (AUG. 9) UPI - Israel successfully launched an Arrow missile Thursday in the first test flight of the weapon, which is being developed as a defense against short- and medium-range missiles like those in the Iraqi and Syrian armories, Israel Radio reported.

The anti-missile missile was launched in the afternoon, flew several miles and was destroyed in mid-flight as planned, the radio said. The experiment was observed by defense officials, Israel aircraft industry officials and U.S. representatives.

The test launch, although previously scheduled, came as tension mounted over the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and was likely to be seen by Israelis and Arab nations as a sign of Israel's technical and military prowess.

However, the Arrow anti-missile program offers no real protection in the immediate future, experts say.

It is not expected to be completed for several years, and Defense Minister Moshe Arens said Israel had not made a final decision whether to include the missile in its armed forces.

The purpose of the Arrow missile is to intercept incoming medium- and short-range missiles. It could be used against Iraq's medium-range al-Hussein missiles and al-Abbas missiles.

The Arrow project is part of the United States's Strategic Defense Initiative. The United States has paid for 80 percent of the the first phase of the project, which has cost $158 million and is expected to be completed by next year.

Last month, the United States agreed in principle to fund the second phase of the program, which is expected to last four years and cost $200 million.

Thursday's test flight had been planned before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, but the date had not been publicly announced.

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#90221u1162 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (AUG. 9) UPI - Britain will send two squadrons of jet fighters to the Persian Gulf to join a U.S.-led multinational military effort to prevent further aggression by Iraq, Defense Minister Tom King said Thursday.

King said the force was bound for Saudi Arabia ''and other threatened gulf states.''

The minister said he hoped other countries, particularly those in Europe, would join the military effort spearheaded by Washington.

Britain was second to the United States in responding to a Saudi request for military aid made after Iraqi troops moved to its border with Kuwait. Iraq invaded Kuwait last week and announced its annexation on Wednesday.

King emphasized that Britain had no aggressive intentions in the Gulf but was seeking to defend the region's states against Iraqi hostilities.

The British deployment was described by military observers as ''small but powerful.''

Twelve Tornado fighter-bombers now in Cyprus were ordered to Saudi Arabia, which has Tornados of its own. They will be protected by air defense units equipped with Rapier ground-to-air missiles, the Ministry of Defense said.

A dozen Jaguar strike-fighters were dispatched from Britain to unnamed place - the British Broadcasting Corporation speculated Oman. The jets could be used to destroy Iraqi tankers.

Three British mine-hunting vessels are headed to the Gulf, to join the destroyer HMS York, frigates Jupiter and Battle-Axe, and support vessel Orangeleaf. They will be assisted by Nimrods, the British equivalent of the U.S. AWAC, and VC-10 tankers.

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#90221u1175 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 9) UPI - Iraq has agreed to send a delegation to today's emergency Arab summit in Cairo, but Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein won't personally be attending. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak called the meeting as a last-ditch diplomatic effort to try to head off a potentially disastrous military stand-off between Iraq and U-S-led multi-national forces. Mubarak is expected to call for a joint Arab peace-keeping force and an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

A 10-year-old American girl detained by Iraqi authorities in Baghdad has

been released. Penelope Nabokov of Albany, California, was turned over to U-S Embassy officials in Baghdad yesterday after she was taken off a plane that stopped to refuel in Kuwait. There is NO word on whether the 38 other Americans taken from the plane will be freed.

Libya reportedly is ready and willing to help Iraq. Libyan Radio reports that thousands of Libyans marched to the Iraqi Embassy in Tripoli to let Iraq know they are prepared to help in a possible fight against U-S troops stationed in Saudi Arabia. Radio reports say the Libyans are ready to-quote- ''face up to the U-S ... intervention.''

The Reverend Jesse Jackson says he's prepared to mediate the Middle East crisis. Jackson plans on meeting with the brother of Saudi Arabian King Fahd in Massachusetts this weekend to decide if he should step in to spearhead negotiations. A spokesman for the prince says Jackson is well-liked by a number of Arab leaders.

The Chaldean Federation of America... whose members are mostly Christian Iraqis... today came out in strong support of President Bush's decision to send American forces to Saudi Arabia. Chaldean spokesman Tom George says the organization does NOT condone Iraq's conquest and annexation of Kuwait.

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#90221u1186 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - Jurors in the drug and perjury trial of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry are in their seventh day of deliberation after taking a look at an F-B-I videotape. A federal judge yesterday allowed the jury to view a tape of the federal cocaine sting in which Barry was allegedly caught smoking crack cocaine.

Four days of rioting and looting in mixed-race townships in the South African city of Port Elizabeth have left at least 23 people dead. Police confirm that an officer shot and killed a baby yesterday, but officials could NOT explain why. Authorities say riots first erupted on Monday in a protest over rent hikes approved by the mixed-race house of South Africa's parliament.

Two Norfolk Southern freight trains collided in Georgia's Blue Ridge Mountains, killing three crewmen and injuring four other trainmen. The trains carried lumber and other cargo. Police say three engines and a rail car loaded with lumber caught fire, and witnesses reported at least three explosions. The accident occurred near Hill City, Georgia.

A Philadelphia jury is deliberating on the death penalty or life in prison for five Hispanic men convicted in the racially motivated slaying of a policeman's son. Police say Rafael Droz got up to 15 youths from his neighborhood to look for a group of white youths who harassed him.

17-year-old Sean Daily died after being beaten and shot last May.

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#90221u1197 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - Federal thrift regulators, saying they do not believe Charles Keating is broke, Thursday sought $40.9 million in restitution from the Arizona executive and demanded he account for every penny of his assets.

Keating, who once earned more than $1 million annually as chairman of the bankrupt American Continental Corp., has said recently that he has run out of money.

''It's up to him to prove to us that he's broke. We don't believe he is,'' said OTS Director Timothy Ryan. ''We have reason to believe the funds are available.''

Assistant Attorney General Stewart Gerson, who is in charge of the Justice Department's civil division, said regulators will take apart Keating's ''magic pyramid brick by brick'' to learn what happened to the executive's financial empire.

The OTS also announced it is seeking an order to remove Keating and five other officers and directors from Phoenix-based ACC, parent of the failed Lincoln Savings and Loan Association. The order also would ban Keating from ever working at a federally insured financial institution.

''We believe Mr. Keating and his associates profited from improper use of depositors' funds, and we want that money returned to Lincoln,'' Ryan said.

The restitution order is the largest ever sought by the agency, surpassing the $24 million sought two months ago from Thomas Spiegel, former chairman of Columbia Savings and Loan Assocation.

Ryan said the agency is giving Keating five days to present a complete accounting of his assets, prepared by a certified public accountant. The order also requires Keating to give the agency two-days notice before transferring any funds or assets more than $5,000.

Keating could not be reached immediately for comment.

The order is seeking restitution not only from Keating, but from Judy Wischer, a former ACC president; Charles Keating III, the executive's son; Robert Kielty, Robert Hubbard and Robert Wurzelbacher, all ACC executives and Keating's sons-in-law.

''We just want the money returned,'' Ryan said. ''The source could be any

one of the respondents.''

Lincoln, of Irvine, Calif., was placed under government control in April, 1989. Keating has challenged the takeover in federal court and U.S. District Court Judge Stanley Sporkin is expected to rule on the case later this month,

Keating also is the subject of a $1.1 billion fraud and racketeering lawsuit brought by the government.

Ryan said the OTS based its restitution demand on three transactions involving Lincoln and ACC.

The deals include a $24.2 million loss to Lincoln from providing financial support to the Hotel Ponchartrain, a Detriot hotel from which regulators claim Keating, his associates and family members received tax benefits at Lincoln's expense.

Also cited was a $12.3 million loss to Lincoln from the misuse of an employee stock ownership plan. The OTS said the plan borrowed money backed by Lincoln to buy ACC stock from Keating and his associates.

The third deal, involving a complicated swap of 1,000 acres of raw desert land outside of Phoenix, resulted in a loss to Lincoln of $4.4 million, regulators said.

The transactions show a ''blatant disregard for the sfety and soundness of Lincoln,'' said Richard Delliveneri, deputy district counsel in the OTS San Francisco office, which is investigating other deals involving the failed thrift.

The OTS has filed a notice of charges and a federal court hearing on the order is scheduled for October in Los Angeles.

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#90221u1218 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

BATON ROUGE, La. (AUG. 9) UPI - Louisiana's efforts to ban abortions this year were apparently dealt a death blow Thursday when the Legislature voted against a special session to override Gov. Buddy Roemer's veto of a tough anti-abortion bill.

Speaker Jimmy Dimos told reporters at least 56 of the 105 members of the House of Representatives voted against a veto session that would have begun Aug. 18.

Senate President Sammy Nunez, in Nashville for a legislative conference, said at least 21 members of the 39-man Senate voted against the session.

Louisiana law requires the Legislature to decide whether it wants to call itself back in veto session when a governor vetoes legislation. Lawmakers had until Aug. 13 to vote on it but Thursday's action was definitive.

Roemer vetoed the anti-abortion bill July 27 on grounds it did not have broad enough exceptions for rape victims. It was his second veto of an anti-abortion bill during the legislative session.

Dimos said he urged the House to vote against the veto session, noting that it would have cost tens of thousands of dollars per day for five days.

''Obviously, the legislators don't feel we should be spending dollars on a veto session,'' Dimos said.

He also said the dubious constitutionality of the measure may have been a factor in the House's reluctance to return to Baton Rouge.

''Overriding a bill that may defective is not the way to make law,'' he said.

The Senate upheld Roemer's first veto of a measure that would have prohibited all abortions, except if a woman's life were threatened by the pregnancy, but amended another bill to create the latest anti-abortion measure, which allow some exceptions for victims of rape or incest.

The constitutional factor was introduced because the amended bill initially was on a non-related subject. Roemer vetoed that bill, too.

Louisiana was a battleground for anti-abortion forces and abortion-rights activists, who fought bitterly over the measures. Anti-abortionists said they wanted to use a Louisiana law to test the Supreme Court's willingness to ban abortion on demand in the country.

Dimos said he expected the Legislature to work with Roemer to find common ground on an abortion measure that all could support in 1991.

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FORT BRAGG, NC (AUG. 9) UPI - Pawn shop cash registers along usually bustling Bragg Boulevard fell silent Thursday and teary-eyed women fretted over soldiers ordered to Saudi Arabia to prevent an invasion by Iraqi troops massed at the border.

Fort Bragg is home to 41,000 troops, including 14,000 in the Army's crack 82nd Airborne Division. Preident Bush Wednesday mobilized 2,300 82nd Airborne paratroopers, the first of 50,000 soldiers reported bound for the

Mideast.

The president's get-tough posture won acclaim among U.S. allies but did not win any points with young Army wives.

Teresa Ford, 23 and four months pregnant, said she has not heard from her husband, Sgt. Dwayne Ford, since Monday, when Fort Bragg was placed on full military alert and all personnel ordered to the base.

''I don't know where he is,'' she said, fighting back tears. ''They're not saying anything. They say they can't let me know anything about him. He called Monday and I haven't heard from him since.

''I don't know if he's in Saudi Arabia or if he's still at Pope Air Force Base,'' she said. ''If they would just tell me where he is, I'd be fine. It's just not knowing, that's the problem. If they'd just tell me, I'd be OK.''

Ford, who has lived in Fayetteville less than a month and works at a K mart, said she is running up a big telephone bill trying to relieve the stress of not knowing where her husband is.

''I call his family every night, and my family. I call his mother, my mother, his sister, my sister. I just call everyone in the family. I know my phone bill will be high, but at least I'm talking to someone.''

Bawdy Bragg Boulevard, the main drag that runs through the military base, is mile-after-mile of pawn shops, dime stores, fast food joints, adult book stores and topless bars. Commerce along the strip had come to a halt Thursday.

''Right now, people aren't going to let go of their money because they don't know what's going on,'' said Mark Munns, manager of the American pawn shop, where the only jingle was the jangle of a bell above the shop door.

''With gas prices like they are and with all the people worried, it's putting a big dent in the retail businesses,'' Munns said. ''It will take a couple of months before people start buying things again.''

In Washington, senior defense officials at the Pentagon confirmed reports Thursday that troop levels could reach 50,000.

The officials said 2,300 paratroopers from Fort Bragg and 48 F-15 jet fighters from Langley, Va., were sent to Saudi Arabia Thursday and members of the 101st Airborne Division from Fort Campbell, Ky., and the 24th Infantry from Fort Stewart, Ga., were earmarked to go to Saudi Arabia, along with F-16 fighter jets and B-52 bombers.

But officials at Fort Stewart said the base is not on alert.

''Anytime you have an emergency deployment readiness training exercise it becomes synonymous with alert. It's kind of a misinterpretation,'' said Capt. Steve Hart. ''It means soldiers did have to report in and get their gear together, but we're not to the point of standing in formation ready to get on a ship.''

But at Fort Bragg, a full stage alert is in progress and the troops are under lockdown orders, meaning they must stay on the base in case their units are shipped out.

''I just hope he doesn't go,'' said Chanda Bryant, 18, whose husband, Patrick Bryant, 27, is on standby alert at Bragg. ''I don't want him to go. There are a lot of wives who don't want their husbands to go and I agree with them. It's too far away and they'll be gone too long.''

Bryant's complaint came while she was working the line at Hardee's, but her lament did not set too well with a customer.

''That's what they get paid to do, honey,'' said the customer, who refused to give her name. ''If you don't want to do this, get out of the damned Army. My husband's been in the Army 17 years.''

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - The defect that blurred the Hubble space telescope's view of the heavens apparently was caused by a flaw in an instrument used to measure the observatory's mirror as it was being built, officials said Thursday.

Preliminary results of tests conducted on a testing device called a "null corrector" found one spacing in the instrument was about one millimeter off from specifications, which would account for the deficiency, officials said.

"This is certainly the smoking rifle," said NASA project scientist Edward Weiler. "There may be a few peashooters around. But this is the rifle."

The null corrector was used to measure very precisely the surface of the telescope's primary mirror when it was being ground by what was then Perkin-Elmer Corp. in Danbury, Conn., in 1981.

Officials were uncertain how the error in the null corrector occurred and withheld any final conclusion until the possibility of additional problems was eliminated.

Although upset that such an error occurred, Weiler said he was pleased the probable cause of the telescope's defect was found because it will enable engineers to be more certain repairs being planned will correct the problem.

"I think it's incredible that such a mistake could have been made. On the other hand finding it is incredibly good for us. Once we measure it very accurately it will give us a much better handle on the prescription we need," he said.

Engineers are developing a "prescription" for mirrors that will be built into a replacement camera officials hope to install in the telescope in 1993 to restore the telescope to full capability.

The long-awaited, highly publicized $1.5 billion telescope was expected to revolutionize astronomy by peering more deeply and with greater clarity into space than ever before from its perch high above Earth's atmosphere.

But after the 12-ton instrument was ferried into space in April, engineers discovered the telescope's supposedly perfect optical system was seriously flawed because its 94-inch primary mirror suffered from spherical aberration, meaning it was curved slightly incorrectly.

The observatory can still conduct valuable research but the flaw sharply reduced the telescope's abilities by preventing the device from bringing starlight to a sharp focus.

The blunder, combined with the grounding of the space shuttle fleet due to fuel leaks and other problems at the space agency, set off a storm of criticism of NASA.

A NASA investigative team led by Lew Allen of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., found the null corrector in its original form at the factory, which is now Hughes Danbury Optical Systems Inc., and ordered the tests.

"Over the past two weeks tests have been run, systematically checking various aspects of this device," a NASA statement said. "Preliminary results of a test conducted ... (Wednesday) to look at the spacings of the elements in the corrector have revealed a clear discrepancy of approximately 1 millimeter between the design of the null corrector and the device as it now exists," the statement said.

One millimeter is about 1/25 of an inch, or about the diameter of the point of a ball-point pen, it said. "Preliminary analysis indicates that a discrepancy of this magnitude could cause spherical aberration similar to that observed in the (telescope) primary mirror," it said.

The panel was not ready to conclude that the defective equipment is the definitive cause of the defect and planned to conduct more tests, review the findings and meet again next week, said spokeswoman Sarah Keegan. "We found something that is significant and we need to look at it further," she said. "We need to make absolutely certain that we didn't miss anything."

Although the null corrector flaw is enough to account for the problem, officials want to make certain other, smaller errors also were not made, Weiler said.

"This is the largest cause of the problem, there's no question about that. What we've got to be sure now is this is the only mistake that was made," he said.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 9) UPI - A government program using former drug addicts to help curb the spread of AIDS appears to be reducing high-risk behavior among scores of intravenous drug users, federal health officials said Thursday.

Preliminary figures from five of 41 cities in the program showed participants were sharing and borrowing needles less often, cleaning drug injection equipment more and getting off drugs, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control said in its Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report.

The CDC report cites the first results of the National Institute on Drug Abuse project begun in 1987, focusing largely on black male drug addicts who have never entered a drug treatment program.

The figures are based on followup interviews of 1,584 drug addicts from Chicago, Houston, Miami, Philadelphia and San Francisco six months after being coached on the dangers of AIDS and unprotected sex.

The program, employing former drug users and others familiar with inner-city neighborhoods as recruiters and counselors, is succeeding not only in teaching more caution among drug users, but also in halting drug use, the CDC said.

The CDC said the importance of the project stems from the large number of patients with acquired immune deficiency syndrome who contract the disease annually through intravenous drugs or having sex with a drug user.

Of the 117,781 people with AIDS in 1989, 36,356, or 30.8 percent of the total were in risk-behavior categories directly or indirectly related to

intravenous drug use. The only groups with more AIDS victims were homosexual and bisexual men.

According to the initial results accumulated as of January, 14 percent to 35 percent of the drug users had entered a drug-treatment program. Forty-nine percent to 75 percent reported stopping or decreasing their frequency of drug injection during the six months and 16 percent to 47 percent reported halting all use of drugs, the CDC said.

In all five cities, the percentage of drug users who reported not sharing drug-injection equipment with friends increased, as did the percentage of the subjects who reported not borrowing previously used equipment.

The Chicago participants - 59 percent - showed the greatest progress in decreasing needle-sharing during the six months between the initial interview and a follow-up meeting with program counselors. The Houston subjects at 34 percent showed the least progress on the same behavior, the report said.

The borrowing of drug equipment decreased among the San Francisco participants the least at 22 percent and the Chicago participants the most at 37 percent.

Between 20 percent and 39 percent of the participants who continued to use drugs and old needles reported using bleach more often to clean drug equipment, the CDC said.

The program was less successful in persuading the subjects to change sexual behavior such as abstaining from sex and wearing condoms more often.

Regular condom use by participants who reported having a steady sexual partner increased slightly in Miami, Houston and San Francisco, with Miami posting the greatest increase, from 2 percent to 16 percent.

Condom use among participants with multiple sexual partners increased in Miami, Philadelphia, Houston and San Francisco between 7 percent and 17 percent, with the highest rate of compliance of 27 percent recorded in Miami.

''Intravenous drug users are difficult to reach and influence with traditional public health education and other prevention techniques,'' said Mona Brown of the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

''These preliminary results, which show an overall reduction in high-risk behaviors of intravenous drug users, suggest that participation in outreach and intervention programs can influence entry into drug-treatment programs and reduce drug-injection behaviors associated with increased risk for (AIDS virus) transmission.''

The ongoing program as of July 1 has drawn more than 30,000 participants in 41 cities. The government will continue the effort nationwide ''if the results at other sites prove to be consisent with these preliminary results,'' the CDC said.

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MIAMI (AUG. 9) UPI - Tropical Storm Edouard pelted the Azores Islands with win gusts up to 70 mph in the North Atlantic Thursday.

Edouard's maximum sustained winds were near 45 mph, but Lages reported winds up to 50 mph with gusts to 70 mph, forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami said.

At noon EDT Thursday, Edouard was located near latitude 40.1 north, longitude 27.8 west, or about 95 miles the island of Terceira in the Azores.

Edouard was moving northeast near 15 mph and was expected to continue that motion for the next 24 hours. Tropical storm conditions were expected to continue over the Portuguese archipelago Thursday.

Little change in strength was expected during the next 24 hours. Tropical storm force winds extend outward up to 115 miles.

Eduoard is the fifth tropical storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30. It formed from a tropical depression east of the Azores Wednesday.

Diana, the second to reach hurricane strength, dissipated Wednesday after slamming Mexico's Gulf coast with 110 mph winds, killing three people. Torrential rains flooded rivers and whipping winds felled trees and knocked over houses, leaving about 3,500 people homeless.

Forecasters also monitored a pair of tropical waves, one southwest of the Cape Verde Islands off the coast of Africa, and the other midway between Africa and the Lesser Antilles. They said development, if any, was expected to be slow.

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PASADENA, CA (AUG. 9) UPI - NASA's Magellan probe, launched 15 months ago from the shuttle Atlantis, was on course Thursday for a make-or-break rocket firing Friday to put the craft into orbit around Venus to map the cloudy planet's hidden surface.

If the rocket fails to fire, the costly spacecraft will sail beyond Venus on a trajectory that will not carry it past the planet again for more than 100 years. But engineers said Thursday the spacecraft is in excellent health and that no problems were expected getting it into proper orbit.

If all goes well, Magellan will begin firing radar pulses at Venus around Sept. 1, producing photograph-like images that may help determine what caused Venus, similar to Earth in many ways, to end up the 900-degree inferno it is today, the apparent victim of a runaway ''greenhouse effect.''

The 2 1/2-ton spacecraft, built by Martin Marietta Astronautics Group of Denver, was built to map at least 90 percent of Venus's surface during a planned 243-day mission, photographing features as small as a football field to revolutionize knowledge about Earth's sister planet.

''Magellan is the beginning of a new era in planetary exploration,'' said W.T. Huntress, director of solar system exploration for NASA. ''It really starts off a whole new decade of planetary exploration into the next century.''

But first, Magellan must get into orbit around Venus. The rocket firing Friday, then, is the most critical maneuver for the $550 million project since Magellan was launched from Atlantis on May 4, 1989, and one that has to work perfectly for the mission to succeed.

Hurtling through space at 24,600 mph, the solar-powered probe was scheduled to sail over the north pole of Venus at 9:28 a.m. PDT Friday, plunging behind the planet as viewed from Earth - 142 million miles away - and out of contact with ground controllers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena.

On computer command, an on-board 4,721-pound solid-fuel braking rocket is scheduled to fire for 83 seconds starting at 9:32 a.m., slowing Magellan down by about 6,000 mph and putting it into an orbit tilted 86 degrees to the equator with a low point of 171 miles and a high point of about 5,000 miles.

If the rocket fires correctly, Magellan will sail back into contact with Earth at 9:53 a.m. About 13 minutes later, at 10:06 a.m., radio signals from the craft will reach Earth to confirm a successful maneuver.

If the rocket fails to fire, however, the signals will reach waiting scientists on Earth five minutes earlier, at 10:01 a.m., as the spacecraft hurtles beyond Venus, not to return for more than a century.

Such a failure would be a devastating blow for NASA, which has been under

intense criticism in recent weeks because of problems with the $1.5 billion Hubble Space Telescope and the agency's planned space station project.

But engineers are confident the spacecraft will work as advertised, recalling how an alert technician discovered a wiring foul up before launch that, had it not been corrected, would have prevented the rocket from igniting.

''We're all looking forward to the drama we expect around 10 o'clock (Friday) morning,'' Huntress said. ''We are confident now we are ready for Venus orbit insertion.''

Magellan, named after the 16th century explorer, is expected to revolutionize knowledge about Venus.

''Venus is of special interest to the geologist for the contrast it presents with Earth and for the clues it provides concerning Earth's origin and evolution,'' wrote Michael Carr and Magellan project scientist Stephen Saunders in a book titled ''The Geology of the Terrestrial Planets.''

''Both bodies are of similar size, composition and distance from the sun yet they have evolved to remarkably different states; one developed into a prolific haven for life, the other into a sterile inferno. Unfortunately, we are far from understanding why this happened.''

Radar data beamed back to Earth from Magellan will be processed by powerful computers to create photograph-quality images of Venus's surface, showing features as small as 350 feet across - about the size of a football field - and 10 times better than the best previous data.

Magellan also will be used to learn more about the planet's interior by precisely monitoring how the spacecraft's orbit is affected by the planet's gravity, which provides an indication of interior mass distribution.

The end result will be a detailed map of Venus's surface between 67.2 degrees south latitude and the north pole, enough data to fill some 500,000 library books on a shelf 10 miles long and enough to keep researchers busy for years to come.

But if the spacecraft remains healthy, and if NASA gets another $169 million from Congress, the mission will be extended to include coverage of the planet's south pole region.

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#90221u1307 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 9) UPI - Iraq says it will participate, after all, in today's emergency Arab summit in Cairo. Egypt's Middle East News Agency reports that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein finally agreed to send a delegation to the meeting, which also will be attended by a Kuwaiti delegation. Egyptian President Mubarak called the emergency session in an 11th-hour attempt to defuse escalating tensions between Iraq and U-S-led multi-national forces in Saudi Arabia.

While Iran, Libya and other hard-lined Arab nations are critical of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, they have indicated that they are equally concerned about the build-up of American and other foreign troops in the region. Jordan seems to be moving diplomatically away from Iraq to the more moderate Arab nations and the West. A London report quotes Jordan's Crown Prince as saying his country is NOT an ally of Baghdad.

The semi-official news agency in Turkey reports a build-up of Iraqi forces near the Turkish border... but NO immediate evidence of large-scale military activity. This, as U-S Secretary of State Baker met today with Turkish leaders in Ankara, reportedly to reassure officials that NATO will lend support in the case Iraqi forces strike. Baker is scheduled to travel from the Turkish capital to Brussels later today to brief NATO officials on the situation.

The first U-S paratroopers and F-15 fighter jets are taking up defensive positions in Saudi Arabia today. Secretary of Defense Cheney has refused to disclose for security reasons how many troops would be sent into the oil-rich nation. But senior defense officials have confirmed reports that up to 50-thousand troops could be deployed. That is larger than the U-S ground force in South Korea.

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#90221u1323 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
EAST LYME, CT (AUG. 9) UPI - A couple who faced eviction from their wildlife rescue quarters will be able to continue to help injured animals thanks to sympathetic donors, including actress Katharine Hepburn.

''It's great,'' said the actress Thursday of the reprieve won by Gloria and Robert Salvatore, who were able to obtain a $40,000 mortgage for the refuge.

Hepburn, 80, recently donated one of her paintings that will be offered at a fund-raising auction for the North American Wildlife Association.

She has supported the organization since its directors rescued a sea hawk from her home in the affluent Fenwick section of Old Saybrook on Long Island Sound, across the Connecticut River from East Lyme, where the

refuge is located.

The organization will receive a $40,000 mortgage from the Connecticut National Bank to buy the home and one acre of property, which is adjacent to its 25-acre preserve.

The association is run by the Salvatores, who live in the home and rely on donations to keep their 24-hour-a-day operation going.

''I think these people are doing a good job,'' said Hepburn.

Gloria Salvatore's mother, Waltina Greene, had allowed the Salvatores to live rent-free on the property. In June, however, she put it on the market for $134,000 and served the couple with an eviction notice.

''She was kind of appalled at the lifestyle we were living here,'' said Robert Salvatore.

Greene had moved in with the couple before they had built an adjacent clinic and the animals were still kept in the house, he said.

''We work around the clock and she thought it was a horrible life,'' he said.

Somehow, attorneys for both sides reached an agreement to have the Salvatore's purchase the home and lot for $50,000, said Salvatore.

''We rescued a sea hawk from Miss Hepburn's (Fenwick) home about two years ago with a broken wing,'' said Salvatore.

The couple nursed the bird back to health at the refuge after it was treated at the Norwich Animal Hospital.

''We brought the sea hawk back to her home and it was released and she was emotionally moved,'' said Salvatore.

Hepburn recently gave the refuge a boost by donating a picture she had painted.

''It's the only painting of her collection that she has offered for public view or auction,'' said Salvatore.

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#90221u1326 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - France says Iran has hinted that another European hostage in Lebanon will be released in a few days. News of another possible release follows the quiet transfer of Lebanese-held Swiss hostage Emmanuel

Christen to Syrian authorities yesterday. French authorities say Iran might have pushed for the release after France released an imprisoned Iranian terrorist last month. There are 15 Western hostages... including six Americans... still believed held in Lebanon.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl ran into a snag in trying to get a parliamentary O-K to advance the date for all-German elections to coincide with unification. Also today, East Germany's prime minister failed to gain a two-thirds majority among lawmakers to ratify a key treaty setting up procedures for the elections. Kohl and East Germany's premier both favor October 14th as the date for all-German elections.

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BOSTON (AUG. 9) UPI - Gov. Michael S. Dukakis said Thursday he supports President Bush's response to the Middle East crisis but called on the federal government to protect consumers from soaring energy prices.

The Massachusetts Democrat wrote Bush, his opponent in the 1988 presidential election, and said, ''First, let me say that the people of Massachusetts and all Americans stand together in your effort to protect American citizens and the nation's economic and security interests in the Middle East.''

But Dukakis - noting that gas and oil prices had risen between 4 and 6 cents per gallon in the Bay State following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait - urged Bush to take steps on the federal level to protect consumers.

''Consumers deserve an explanation about why they must bear the brunt of the price incrase at the gas pump and in their furnaces before suppliers have run out of the lower-priced oil,'' Dukakis wrote. ''The federal government must do more than simply urge oil companies to show 'restraint' in passing along price increases.''

Dukakis urged Bush to consider using the nation's vast Strategic Petroleum Reserve to soften price impacts and to create a petroleum products reserve for regions hardest hit by increases in oil prices.

The governor also said that new sources of natural gas supplies to the Northeast should be expedited to ''enhance the diversification of energy resources available to the region.''

Dukakis also called on the president to order the Departments of Justice and Energy, along with the Federal Trade Commission, to monitor price-increases and prosecute anti-trust violations.

He also asked Bush to increase federal fuel assistance for low-income

households.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 9) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.85 1/2	2.92 1/2	2.85 1/2	2.90 1/4	2.84 1/2
Dec	3.01 1/2	3.07 1/2	3.01 1/2	3.06	3.00 1/2
Mar	3.09 1/2	3.15 1/2	3.09 1/2	3.14 1/2	3.09
May	3.12	3.16	3.12	3.15	3.10
Jly	3.13	3.16	3.13	3.15 1/2	3.10
Sep	3.15	3.18	3.15	3.18 1/2	3.15
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.51 1/2	2.52 1/4	2.50	2.50 1/4	2.62 1/4
Dec	2.46 1/4	2.47 1/2	2.45 1/2	2.45 3/4	2.46 3/4
Mar	2.54 1/2	2.55 1/2	2.54 1/4	2.54 1/2	2.55
May	2.61 1/4	2.62 1/4	2.61 1/4	2.61 1/2	2.62 1/4
Jly	2.65 1/2	2.66 1/4	2.65	2.65 1/4	2.66 1/4
Sep	2.63	2.63	2.60	2.60	2.60
Dec	2.59	2.61 1/4	2.59	2.59	2.60 1/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.17 1/4	1.20	1.16 1/2	1.19 1/2	1.17 1/4
Dec	1.28 1/4	1.30 3/4	1.27 1/2	1.30 1/2	1.27 1/2
Mar	1.39 1/4	1.41 3/4	1.38 3/4	1.41 1/4	1.38 1/2
May	1.44	1.46 3/4	1.44	1.46 3/4	1.44
Jly	1.48 1/2	1.51 3/4	1.48 1/2	1.51 3/4	1.49
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Aug	5.94 3/4	5.99 1/4	5.94	5.98 1/4	5.93 1/4
Sep	5.98 1/2	6.05	5.98 1/2	6.04	5.99
Nov	6.07	6.14 1/2	6.07	6.13 1/2	6.07 1/4
Jan	6.17	6.24 1/4	6.17	6.22 1/2	6.17 3/4
Mar	6.29	6.35	6.29	6.34	6.29
May	6.37	6.41 1/2	6.36 1/2	6.41 1/4	6.36 1/2
Jly	6.42	6.48	6.41 1/2	6.46 3/4	6.40 3/4
Aug	6.40	6.43	6.40	6.43	6.38
Nov	6.22 1/2	6.26	6.22	6.22	6.22 1/2
Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Aug	24.30	24.58	24.26	24.56	24.29
Sep	24.17	24.40	24.17	24.39	24.15
Oct	24.22	24.44	24.18	24.42	24.16

Dec	24.20	24.50	24.20	24.48	24.20
Jan	24.30	24.60	24.30	24.60	24.25
Mar	24.47	24.70	24.45	24.67	24.36
May	24.45	24.78	24.45	24.78	24.45
Jly	24.45	24.80	24.45	24.80	24.47

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Aug	172.60	174.00	172.60	173.90	172.90
Sep	173.80	175.50	173.70	175.30	173.80
Oct	174.90	176.80	174.80	176.50	174.90
Dec	177.00	179.70	176.70	179.30	176.90
Jan	178.40	180.50	178.40	180.50	178.40
Mar	180.80	183.00	180.80	183.00	180.80
May	182.00	183.20	182.00	183.70	181.60
Jly	184.70	185.00	184.60	184.70	183.20
Aug	182.00	183.00	182.00	181.50	182.20

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EVERETT, MA (AUG. 9) UPI - Police acting on anonymous telephone tips arrested a man Thursday in last weekend's defacement of a newly dedicated statue of John F. Kennedy in front of the Statehouse, officials said.

The suspect was arrested at about 1:30 p.m. after an investigation in the city located across the Mystic River north of Boston, according to Capitol Police Capt. Paul Mahoney.

The man's identity was not released but the arresting officer, Capt. Dennis Sullivan, said it ''appeared'' he was the same man who telephoned police to claim responsibility for the vandalism shortly after it occurred.

That man told police he defaced the statue with splotches of white spray paint and the word ''murderer'' because he considered the late president responsible for the death of actress Marilyn Monroe.

The defacement took place on the 28th anniversary of the actress's death.

The arrest came as workers prepared to remove the 8-foot bronze statue to its foundry in New York for cleaning. The process was expected to take four to six weeks.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold

London	
Previous close fix	382.25 off 1.25
Morning fixing	385.85 up 3.60
Afternoon fixing	383.60 up 1.35
Close	385.00 up 2.75
Paris	387.07 up 0.32
Zurich	384.00 up 0.90
Hong Kong	384.65 up 1.00
New York	
Comex spot close	385.80 up 2.60
Republic cash	386.25 up 3.00
Handy and Harman	383.60 off 1.15

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 384.90 off 1.15 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 404.15 off 1.20 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.857 up 0.014
Republic cash	4.875 up 0.01

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.86 per fine ounce up 0.005

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.89 up 0.02 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.232 up 0.021

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 481.00 up 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 581.00 up 0.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 116.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 131.00 up 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90221u1439 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

CARSON, CA (AUG. 9) UPI - Negotiators in Southern California's supermarket contract dispute, faced with the threat of a strike deadline only hours away, returned to the bargaining table Thursday in hopes of hammering out a settlement.

The United Food and Commercial Workers union, which represents 80,000 clerks and meat cutters employed by six major supermarket chains, imposed a settle-or-strike deadline of 7 p.m. PDT Thursday after little progress was made in the wake of a marathon 18-hour session. The talks resumed

shortly after 10 a.m. after having broken off Wednesday morning.

"I'd have to say that it is quite possible that we will not have a settlement by 7 p.m. (Thursday)," said Frank Allen, the federal mediator at the talks. "I'm encouraged that both sides are still willing to talk, but they are going to have work very hard to reach a settlement."

The union has promised to strike Lucky Stores, the No. 2 chain in Southern California, if the talks fail. But a walkout is expected to quickly spread to the other five chains involved in the negotiations - Albertson's, Alpha Beta, Ralphs, Stater Bros. and Vons - who have said they would lock out union workers. The chains operate about 800 stores between San Luis Obispo and San Diego.

The union has held on and off talks with the Food Employers Council, which represents the chains, since June 18. Over that time, the union has twice threatened to strike, but backed off as a result of movement toward a settlement.

But frustration that followed the last round of negotiations prompted the union Wednesday to vow it would no longer extend the settlement deadline. "After several days of marathon bargaining, we have reached a crisis situation," said Tom Vandevelt, president of the union's San Diego Local 135, which represents about 12,000 of the workers. "There will be no more extensions," Vandevelt said.

Allen said that the mood at the talks was "somewhat hopeful," and added, "Both sides appear to still be willing to look at modifications of their positions." He added, however, that "we have been assured by the union that there is no possibility of another extension in the negotiations."

Both sides have imposed a news blackout on the negotiations, and officials refused to comment Thursday on the talks. The union's previous three-year contract expired July 30.

Some of the key issues that may bog down the talks include supermarket demands for a cheaper and less flexible medical benefit package and union demands for more guaranteed hours of work and for restrictions on the supermarkets' use of non-union vendors.

Union officials said previous offers would have meant unacceptable cuts in health benefits and contained problems with job security, allowing lower-paid workers to do jobs currently performed by higher-paid employees. The supermarket clerks currently earn between $4 and $13.05 per hour, while the meat cutters earn between $9.31 and $14.33 per hour.

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#90221u1458 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

SANTA MONICA, CA (AUG. 9) UPI - Bail for actor Marlon Brando's son, Christian, was reduced Thursday from $10 million to $2 million and he was expected to be freed pending trial for the murder of his half-sister's boyfriend.

With his father in court, Brando, 32, also surrendered his passport, a condition of his release. He was expected to be freed after the family posted the bail.

Superior Court Judge David Perez ordered Brando's bail reduced after deciding the $10 million bond set by a Municipal Court judge ''is high.''

''I will reset it at $2 million,'' Perez said.

Brando's lawyer, Robert Shapiro, had argued his client should be ''treated like any other person.''

Brando was ordered last month to stand trial following a two-day preliminary hearing in Municipal Court.

If convicted of first-degree murder, he could be sentenced to 25 years to life in state prison. Prosecutors are not seeking the death penalty.

Brando is charged with shooting to death Dag Drollett, 26, the boyfriend of Christian's half-sister, Cheyenne Brando, 20, in Marlon Brando's 12-room estate in the Santa Monica Mountains on May 16.

Prosecutors said the shooting was premeditated. They claim Christian Brando accused Drollet, the son of an influential politician in Tahiti, of beating his half-sister.

Drollet was shot in the head at point-blank range while watching television. His body was found with a television remote control in one hand and a cigarette lighter in the other.

Christian Brando told police he accidentally shot Drollet while they were wrestling for the .45-caliber handgun.

''I shot him, man, but not on purpose,'' police quoted Brando as telling them after the incident. ''Please believe me. I wouldn't do it my father's house.''

However, prosecutors say Cheyenne Brando in mid-June gave a statement to police in which she indicated that Christian planned the slaying. Shortly after giving that statement, Cheyenne returned to Tahati, where she is a citizen, apparently to avoid testifying against her half-brother.

She has since given birth to Drollet's child.

Marlon Brando was home at the time of the shooting but was in a different room. He telephoned police after hearing the gunshot.

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#90221u1465 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 9) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	78.15	79.10	78.12	78.77	78.00
Oct	78.60	79.07	78.60	78.67	78.52
Dec	77.30	77.55	77.07	77.12	77.20
Feb	76.80	76.92	76.50	76.52	76.80
Apr	77.20	77.35	76.95	77.00	77.32
Jun	74.90	75.00	74.65	74.85	75.00
Aug	73.60	73.65	73.37	73.37	73.37

Est. sales 16,504 contracts; Wednesday 14,206; open interest 67,783 off 718.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	89.90	90.10	89.75	89.85	89.95
Sep	88.65	88.85	88.25	88.30	88.47
Oct	87.60	87.80	87.30	87.32	87.52
Nov	87.35	87.60	87.00	87.02	87.20
Jan	86.75	86.75	86.47	86.52	86.70
Mar	85.00	85.20	85.00	85.00	85.00
Apr	84.50	84.50	84.45	84.45	84.40
May	83.40	83.55	83.40	83.40	83.40

Est. sales 1,428 contracts; Wednesday 1,563; open interest 11,644 up 40.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	56.50	56.60	56.02	56.35	56.57
Oct	49.40	49.70	49.00	49.10	49.47
Dec	50.05	50.07	49.35	49.47	49.95
Feb	48.32	48.47	47.60	48.07	48.32
Apr	44.60	44.65	44.05	44.15	44.50
Jun	48.70	49.00	48.25	48.50	48.70
Jly	48.82	49.30	48.60	49.00	49.00
Aug	....	47.80	47.10	47.67	47.67

Est. sales 10,074 contracts; Wednesday 15,561; open interest 32,056 up 2,806.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	50.10	50.10	48.50	48.52	50.50
Feb	54.60	54.75	53.50	53.97	55.05
Mar	54.40	54.50	53.40	53.95	54.90
May	54.25	55.50	54.25	54.80	55.30
Jly	....	54.70	54.20	54.20	54.70

Est. sales 3,693 contracts; Wednesday 3,765; open interest 6,138 up 299.

CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut- out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 122.08 up 14 cents, 700-850 lbs. 121.99 up 7 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 115.17 up 16 cents, 700-850 lbs. 115.38 up 19 cents.

Pork carlot trading low; demand light; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were lower; skinned hams weak-1.50 lower; seedless bellies not well established; loins 14-18 lbs. 109.00-110.00; butts 4-8 lbs. 97.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 90.00, 20-26 lb 83.00- 90.00; bellies 12-14 lb 59.00.

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Cocoa - $2 to $9 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.45 cent to 1.45 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.50 higher to 0.50 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.11 cent to 1.32 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.60 to $2.70 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $4.80 to $4.90 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.55 to 1.30 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 1.3 to 1.4 cent an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.006 to 0.008 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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GREELEY, CO (AUG. 9) UPI - Denver Broncos head coach Dan Reeves, who admitted himself to the hospital with chest pains, will undergo treatment for hardening of the arteries and will be unable to work for as much as a month, his doctor said Thursday.

Reeves, 46, was admitted to the North Colorado Medical Center Wednesday night after becoming concerned about the chest pains. Reeves was riding his bicycle at the time.

Doctors at the hospital determined Reeves had not suffered a heart attack but that he does have hardening of the arteries restricting blood flow.

The Broncos are currently in training camp at the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, preparing for a Saturday preseason game at Indianapolis.

At a news conference at training camp, Reeves' physician, Dr. Randy Marsh, a cardiovascular specialist, said the coach was resting comfortably and likely would not have to undergo surgery.

Reeves checked out of the Greeley hospital to transfer to another, undisclosed hospital and will remain hospitalized for another four-to-five days, a Broncos spokesman said. There were reports that Reeves had checked into a clinic in Redwood City, Calif., that specializes in arteriosclerosis, the medical term for hardening of the arteries.

Defensive coordinator Wade Phillips will be acting head coach during Reeves' absence.

Phillips said Reeves would not be involved in any decisions about the Broncos until he returned, including any player moves.

Reeves' doctor said tests showed ''blockages in the blood vessels that supply his heart. At my recommendation, Dan is going to go ahead and have this problem dealt with immediately.''

Marsh said Reeves was in no danger.

''His health is excellent. He simply has some blockages that need to be dealt with,'' he said. He said the plan was to deal with the blockages without surgery but that Reeves would be unable to work for three to four weeks.

''The absolute decision (about surgery) has not been made and will not be made for another day or so,'' Marsh said. ''There are a number of procedures to get rid of these blockages.''

The physician said he was confident the problem would not affect Reeves'

career.

''I anticipate him being back running this team in better condition than before,'' he said.

Reeves is one of the winningest active NFL coaches and is entering his 10th season with the Broncos. During those 10 years he has compiled a regular record of 85-50-1, taking the Broncos to the playoffs in five of the last seven years and to the Super Bowl three of the last four years.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - Markets at a Glance - 3 p.m.

NYSE Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.
Bonds - Mostly higher.
American Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.
London Stocks - Closed higher in nervous trading.
Tokyo Stocks - Closed sharply lower in thin trading.
Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.
Gold Futures - Higher.
Cotton - Lower.
Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed unchanged to down 2, soybeans up 6 to off 1/2, wheat up 3 1/2 to 5 3/4 and oats up 2 1/4 to 3.
Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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LONDON (AUG. 9) UPI - Construction workers on North Sea oil platforms Thursday staged their third 24-hour walkout since a dispute over union recognition and safety standards started a week ago, labor and business leaders said.

For the first time, more than 3,000 contruction workers involved in the oil industry on the mainland also staged a 24-hour strike to show their solidarity with the offshore workers, a spokeswoman for the mainland workers said.

Shell and British Petroleum said oil production had not been affected by the strike but important maintenance work was postponed on platforms in the North Sea, one of the world's richest offshore oil reserves.

The construction workers, estimated by their representatives to number 20,000, are seeking to form a union and want an improvement in what they termed poor safety conditions.

The scale of the industrial action was difficult to determine because the offshore platforms are inaccessible to the media. Meanwhile, labor and industry representatives made conflicting statements about the dimensions of the strike.

Lorna Robertson, a spokeswoman for the Offshore Industry Liaison Committee which is coordinating the wildcat action, said 16 platforms were affected by the strike.

But Ewan Hunter, of the Offshore Contractors Council, an umbrella organization representing about 200 companies, said his group was aware of only seven installations affected by the strike. Hunter said 746 employees were on strike Thursday, and 450 were continuing a sit-in begun Aug. 2.

Robertson said the latest round in the dispute was sparked by the dismissals of more than 1,000 workers who participated in a 24-hour strike Aug. 2. "We would like them to be reinstated," she said. An estimated 4,000 to 5,000 workers employed by construction firms to maintain offshore oil platforms staged their first 24-hour strike Aug. 2.

Oil companies including Shell and BP flew strikers back to the mainland the following day at the request of the contracting companies. Some strikers refused to return to the mainland, claiming they wanted to return to work but were locked out.

OILC supporters held a mass meeting Thursday in Glasgow, Scotland, and later about 500 workers marched through the city to deliver a list of their grievances to BP, Robertson said.

Robertson said the OILC wanted to sit down at the bargaining table with the OCC, but feared this might not be an option. "There's a strong possibility they (the strikers) will be fired. They may be in a lockout situation," he said,

OCC Chairman-designate David Odling said, "The contractors will not consider cooperation in the implementation of an official union ballot until the unofficial offshore strikes cease."

The warring parties may be in a deadlock. The workers went on strike to force industry to negotiate, but industry has refused to talk until the strikes end. "There is a kind of chicken-and-egg situation developing," said BP spokesman Ian Stewart.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - The trouble with the Hubble space telescope's near-sighted mirrors has been traced to a flaw in the device used to measure them when

they were built. NASA says preliminary tests conducted on a device called a ''null corrector'' found spacings in the instrument were about one-25th of an inch off from design specifications. The NASA panel says a Connecticut-based contractor used the faulty measure when building the mirrors.

Two Soviet cosmonauts on the Soyuz T-M transport spaceship landed safely today in the Soviet central Asian desert. The cosmonauts emerged from the craft smiling and gave a thumbs-up sign to the recovery team at the landing site about 12-hundred miles southeast of Moscow. They had an hour-long medical exam before the trip back to the Star City space complex near Moscow. The spacemen were aboard the orbiting Mir space station for six months.

A New York jury is deliberating the fate of three youths charged in the beating and rape of a woman jogger in Central Park last year. Deliberations began this morning. Prosecutors say Antron McCray, Yusef Salaam and Raymond Santana were in a group of up to 30 youths in a park crime spree that included the attack on the Wall Street investment banker.

Florida authorities say a man arrested in Hamilton, Ohio, is a suspect in last Friday's killings of four men in Floral City, Florida. Police say John Barret is charged with shooting and beating deaths of four men in a home being remodeled in Floral City. But police say the motive for the slayings remains uncertain. Authorites say Barrett is in an Ohio jail awaiting extradition to Florida.

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TRAVERSE CITY, MI (AUG. 9) UPI - A Ford Motor Co. executive in charge of engine operations said Thursday the company sees no way the United States will have a vehicle fleet with fuel efficiency of 40 or 45 mpg by 2000.

David F. Hagen, general manager of Ford's engine division, said despite the recent rise in fuel prices because of the Persian Gulf crisis, buyers still seem to care more about engine performance and quality than fuel economy.

Hagen made his remarks at the University of Michigan's annual management briefing seminar in Traverse City in response to a bill proposed by Sen. Richard Bryan, D-Nev., asking for sharp increases in mandated fuel economy levels by the end of this century.

"We simply see no way to have a 40-45 mpg fleet by the turn of the century that is unless we are to have almost all compact and subcompact vehicles " Hagen said, adding that the bill proposed by Hagen "is completely outside a full-line manufacturer's capabilities - domestic or foreign." The current corporate average fuel economy (CAFE) level is 27.5 mpg.

In his remarks, Hagen highlighted Ford's new $780 million engine plant in Romeo, Mich., now producing a new 4.6 liter V8 engine for the company's 1991-model Lincoln Town Car luxury sedan due this fall. Other versions of this engine, including a 32-valve design, will be offered later.

Hagen called the new Romeo plant and its operations "the cornerstone of Ford's powertrain strategy," adding that its modular assembly techniques will allow the carmaker to produce several configurations of the same engine on a single assembly line.

"Modular engines will be advantageous for several reasons," Hagen said, like providing quicker response to changing market conditions and reduced development costs.

While Ford analysts say there are no signs so far of a sales dropoff or market shift to small cars because of last week's Iraqi invasion of Kuwait a company analyst said the Romeo plant could conceivably build relatively more fuel-efficient V6 engines if the market for V8-powered cars dried up.

"We see no need to change our current engine cycle plan," company spokesman Bill Carroll said, "but we have the capability and latitude at Romeo to get into various kinds of engines."

Despite opposition to higher CAFE levels, both Ford and Chrysler Corp. support a gasoline tax increase. Many industry executives see it as a less painful alternative that might not directly hurt sales of their larger and more profitable models.

Still, industry analysts believe a continued rise in gas prices could push even more prospective buyers to the sidelines. "We could see a lowering of industry sales in general," Chrysler Vice Chairman Robert S. Miller said during Wednesday's session of the U-M seminar. "But our research shows that when you have a negative economic event such as we've seen recently, it's the buyer at the lower end who is most likely to come out of the market."

That could hurt Chrysler's efforts to sell its Dodge Shadow and Plymouth Sundance "America" cars now on sale. They are low-priced versions of those compact cars that bowed in 1987. Billed by Chrysler as the lowest priced car now built in America with a driver's-side air bag as standard equipment, they start at $7,599.

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RALEIGH, N.C. (AUG. 9) UPI - Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., said Thursday he opposes sending U.S. soldiers alone to respond to Iraqi's threats against the world's oil source and called for the allied countries to carry their

own weight.

''If we have any contemplation of doing it alone, I say no,'' Helms said. ''If France, Germany, England, Japan and others are not willing to help out on this thing, I have serious reservations about placing the lives of 5,000 to 10,000 Americans in danger.''

President Bush this week ordered thousands of U.S. troops to the Persian Gulf and Saudi Arabia's border, threatened by Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's forces that include a million-man army and chemical weapons.

''My fear is without a lot of backup we could see that madman send poison gas to our troops,'' Helms said.

Helms, the ranking Republican on the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations said he will use his influence to pressure allied nations to join the U.S. effort to secure economic interests in the Middle East.

There are ''efforts being made to make these people realize they can't afford to let their country sit this out,'' he said.

''I'm not in favor of this country ever again to send American fighting men to fight a war they'll never be able to win. I'm not in favor of putting them in danger when the French and British say 'I can't manage that right now,'' Helms said.

Britain has pledged to send troops and ships to help defend Saudi Arabia from Iraq and France has committed ships to the effort.

Helms made his comments in a news conference at which retired war veterans pledged their support for him in his bid for a fourth term this November.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - The Iraqi military machine assembled by Saddam Hussein is 1 million strong and equipped with sophisticated weaponry, but military analysts said Thursday it lacked experience in air warfare that might be critical in a confrontation with the United States.

Several U.S. military experts inside and outside of the government also agreed that despite Iraq's nearly decade-long war with neighboring Iran, the Iraqi armed forces showed possible weaknesses in sustaining long individual battles.

In the week since Iraq rolled over tiny Kuwait, much attention has been focused on Iraq's 1 million-man army, its armored tank forces, its experience with desert warfare and its willingness to use chemical weapons.

But despite those military assets, Iraq is also the nation that was able to manage only a stalemate with an ill-equipped Iran and several experts said it was likely that in an air war, U.S. forces would dominate, largely because of a lack of experience by most Iraqi pilots.

Except for about 50 pilots trained by the French, said several analysts, the Iraqi air force was poorly trained.

''The saying in the Iraqi armed forces is that they were just as happy when the Iraq air force was not above them because they were never sure what they would hit,'' noted a congressional military expert.

''The Iran-Iraq war was notable for its lack of air-to-air combat,'' added Greg Grant, a military analyst for the Center for Strategic and International Studies. ''I would say the quality of the Iraqi (pilots) is suspect.''

What is not suspect is the quality of aircraft in the Iraqi arsenal.

During the 10-year war with Iran, Hussein built up a 513-plane air force, including large numbers of high-quality Soviet MiGs and about 94 French-made Mirage jets, which are capable of carrying Exocet missiles, such as the one that hit the USS Stark in 1987.

But even that incident raised questions about the Iraqis ability in the air.

Some analysts said the attack on the Stark was believed to be an accident and showed a lack of command control in the Iraqi air forces. But others said the attack proved a certain degree of ingenuity because the Mirage jet that hit the Stark was equipped with two Exocet missiles - an arrangement the French had said would be impossible.

The current deployment of U.S. naval, air and ground forces to the region indicates the United States will rely heavily on air power should the Iraqis cross the border into Saudi Arabia.

The analysts add that a main weapon for the United States in such an event will be the AWACs aircraft, which can detect enemy troop movements and aircaft placement and properly guide U.S. warplanes into combat. The Iraqis lack such a capability.

But while most experts are confident in U.S. superiority over the Iraqis in the air, there are differing opinions over whether air power alone would be enough to defend the oil-rich kingdom.

''If the Iraqis attack us, we're in a ground war,'' added the

congressional analyst, who spoke on condition of anonymity. ''We will hit them very heavily from the air, but air power alone cannot win a war.''

And it is on the ground where the Iraqis enjoy their greatest strengths.

First of all, analysts said the Iraqi military of 1990 is much larger and different than the one that invaded Iran in 1980.

Its size more than tripled in the past 10 years and Hussein also has acquired large quantities of very sophisticated Soviet tanks and surface-to-surface missiles.

In addition, Iraq is known to have stockpiled artillery shells, rockets and bombs containing mustard gas and nerve agents. The Iraqis are unafraid to use the chemical weapons, having done so against Iran and rebellious Kurds in Iraq.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - Environmentalists called Thursday for the automobile industry to build more fuel efficient cars to reduce pollution and U.S. dependence on foreign oil.

Daniel Becker of the Sierra Club said the automobile industry's refusal to use existing technology to produce more fuel efficient cars put the United States at the mercy of "trigger-happy nuts" such as Iraq President Saddam Hussein. "America is being held hostage not only by OPEC, but by Detroit," Becker said at a news conference.

Becker, joined by representatives from other environmental groups, urged the Senate to enact legislation that will require all automobiles built in the United States to get at least 40 miles per gallon of gasoline by the year 2000.

More fuel efficient automobiles would reduce air pollution, which is believed to contribute to the dangerous warming of the temperature of the Earth's atmosphere, they said.

Officials from the Automobile Manufactures Association of the U.S., Inc., oppose the legislation, saying it would reduce the availability of family-sized cars and hurt U.S. auto-workers without reducing pollution.

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MONEY RATES

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Money rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc. Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.88

60 to 89 days 7.82

90 to 119 days 7.72

120 to 149 days 7.68

150 to 179 days 7.55

180 to 270 days 7.61

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.92 - 7.65

issuers 30 days 7.81

issuers 90 days 7.57

issuers 270 days 7.37

Certificates of Deposit:

(Average of all major U.S banks)

30 to 59 days 7.96

60 to 89 days 7.94

90 to 119 days 7.94

120 to 149 days 7.94

150 to 179 days 7.94

180 days 7.97

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates: (Interest rates in secondary market bid and offered)

Overnight 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

1 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

3 months 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

6 months 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

Year 8.00 - 8.125

U.S. Treasury Bills: (Secondary market discount rate: bid and offered)

3 months 7.41 - 7.39

6 months 7.30 - 7.28

Year 7.20 - 7.18

Federal Funds: High 8 1-16, Low 8, 3 p.m. 8 1-16.

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday 7.817 up 0.009.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - U.S. electronics sales rose 4.4 percent in the first half of 1990 but new orders failed to keep pace, the American Electronics Association reported Thursday.

Sales of U.S. electronics and services increased to $149.7 billion in the first half, up from $143.4 billion in the first half of 1989, the AEA reported. Orders rose to $148.1 billion from $140.4 billion in the year-ago period.

"In the final month of the first half, sales increased in all segments of the industry except for consumer products, which represents a relatively small portion of total sales," said J. Richard Iverson, AEA president and chief executive officer. "However, in the same time-frame, orders were up only in the telecommunications segment. This is a cause for concern."

In the second quarter, sales rose almost three percent to $76.4 billion from $74.2 billion in the same period of 1989, the AEA reported. Orders rose seven percent, to $75.5 billion from $70.6 billion in the year-earlier period.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - A diabetic juror at the trial of Mayor Marion Barry was hospitalized Thursday ''deeply depressed'' and with a fever, halting deliberations for the day as the cocaine and perjury case neared the end of its 10th week.

Juror Deborah Noel, 34, was taken to Providence Hospital at about noon with a fever and for treatment by her endocrinologist, Dr. El Khodary, who has treated her for diabetes, said U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson.

Noel, a clinical clerk at Howard University Hospital, was expected to be hospitalized overnight but released in time for the jury to resume deliberations for an eighth day at 9:30 a.m. Friday, said Jackson.

But Jackson later said through a pool reporter that, if Noel's condition worsened, he would consider asking attorneys for both sides if they would accept an 11-person jury to deliberate.

The jury has been sequestered since June 18. Friday will mark the eighth day of deliberations on 14 cocaine and perjury charges facing Barry.

''(Khodary) tells me he can find nothing wrong,'' Jackson told attorneys in the courtroom. ''She is, however, deeply depressed, overwrought and under great stress.''

A U.S. Marshal was assigned to stay with Noel to ensure she did not have access to news about the trial, said Jackson.

The jury of nine women and three men has deliberated more than 32 hours over seven days, reaching a verdict on at least one of the 14 counts.

The jury told Jackson on Tuesday it had reached a conclusion on Count 12, one of 10 misdemeanor possession counts, but did not announce the verdict.

In addition to the possession charges, Barry faces three felony counts of perjury and a single misdemeanor count of conspiracy to possess cocaine.

He could be sentenced to 26 years in prison and fined $1.85 million if convicted of all counts.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 9) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.85 1/4-2.95 1/4 up 5 3/4-6 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.98 1/4-5.99 1/4 up 5-6 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.48 1/4-2.55 1/4 off 1-2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.55 1/4-2.64 1/4 off 2-2 1/2.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - Yields jumped on 30-year Treasury bonds Thursday to an average of 8.87 percent - the highest level in more than a year - on the final day of the government's quarterly refunding auctions.

Analysts were generally pleased after anemic bidding on three-year and ten-year Treasury notes earlier in the week, blamed mainly on investor concern over the Iraq crisis and a souring of the U.S. economy.

"It went well. It went well," said Robert Dederick, chief economist at Northern Trust in Chicago. "The market had this horrible showing (Wednesday) and you had a lot of people taking cautious stands."

But "the world didn't come to an end in the interim, and there was a little better feeling about the escalation in the Middle East, that it won't happen," Dederick said.

The government also auctioned $10 billion in 36-day cash management bills Thursday at an average discount rate of 7.79 percent and an average investment rate of 7.96 percent. The average price was $99.221.

In the 30-year auction, the Treasury Department said it sold $10.3 billion of the 8 3/4 percent interest rate bonds at an average of $98.747. At the last quarterly refunding May 10, the average yield on the 30-year bonds was 8.84 percent. The yield on the bonds Thursday was the highest yield on a 30-year offering since the 9.11 percent yield on May 11, 1989.

"A yield approaching nine percent was very, very attractive," said Samual Kahan, chief economist at Fuji Securities in Chicago. "People finally thought, 'Hey it looks good."' But Kahan noted, "It's still a risky bet. But for those who have the time and the patience it should pay off."

Fresh cash is raised through the three-day quarterly refunding marathon to give the federal government funds to pay debts and settle Treasury securities reaching maturity.

Late last week, Congress passed short-term debt limit leislation granting $72 billion in additional borrowing authority through Oct. 2 and clearing the way for the sale of the bills, notes and bonds.

Nonetheless, the crisis in the Arab world, the threat of an oil shock, a surge in inflation, worry over a U.S. recession and higher rates overseas kept many investors on the sidelines.

On Wednesday, yields fell on ten-year Treasury notes to an average of 8.77 percent. The Treasury Department auctioned $10.5 billion of the securities at an average of $99.869.

On Tuesday, yields also fell on three-year Treasury notes to an average of 8.10 percent. The government sold $11.53 billion of the three-year notes at an average price of $99.738. All the issues sold at the refunding will settle Aug. 15, officials said.

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PARIS (AUG. 9) UPI - France said Thursday it will immediately reinforce its naval forces in the Gulf region and will send arms and technicians to the area to help defend Saudi Arabia and other countries against a possible Iraqi attack.

President Francois Mitterrand said France hoped that the current crisis in the Middle East could be resolved by the Arab countries themselves, ''but if this proves to be impossible France will assume its own responsibilities.''

Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement said the aircraft carrier Clemenceau and its accompanying ships will be sent immediately to the area.

There was no word on whether Paris would dispatch ground troops to join the multinational force being established by President Bush in Saudi Arabia, which so far includes only Britain.

''France has maintained friendly relations with Iraq for a long time, and it is well-known that we helped her during the war against Iran,'' Mitterrand said. ''All of this gives France the authority to say clearly that we do not accept either the agression against Kuwait or the annexation that followed.''

The French president made his comments following an emergency meeting with Prime Minister Michel Rocard and key government officials at the Elysee Palace.

Only Wednesday French officials said Paris had no intention of participating in the multinational force because it had not been asked to do so.

But in his statement Mitterrand said that Saudi Arabia and other unnamed countries in the Persian Gulf region had asked for French help, including armaments and technicians, in order to stave off a possible attack by Iraq.

Political observers said the French decision does not necessarily mean that it will formally join U.S. and British ships patrolling in the Persian Gulf, although some coordination is likely.

France currently has two warships in the Gulf of Oman, the Protet and the Commandant Ducuing. A third vessel, the frigate Dupleix with sophisticated Exocet and Crotale missiles aboard, is on its way to the Gulf.

''The menace has now extended to other countries in the region,'' Mitterrand said. ''Under these circumstances France has hoped and continues to hope that the problem can be resolved by the Arab community.''

Mitterrand said he was strengthening French naval and air forces in the Persian Gulf ''so they will be able to intervene at any time it proves to be necessary.''

Mitterrand said that the estimated 420 French citizens being held in Kuwait and Iraq can be considered to be ''prisoners'' even though they have not been subject to physical violence or threats. He said the government could send an emissary to Iraq within several days to negotiate their release.

The French president said Saudi Arabia had not asked France to join the multinational force, but added that ''unofficial conversations'' with Washington and Riyad had evoked the possibility of French participation.

The aircraft carrier Clemenceau that will head the French naval deployment weighs 32,000 tons and has a crew of 2,000 men. It can carry between 30 to 40 helicopters and airplanes. It is expected to take two weeks to reach the Gulf.

France also maintains about 7,000 soldiers in the Indian Ocean, mainly based in Djibouti.

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GALVESTON, TX (AUG. 9) UPI - The Texas Commissioner of Health Thursday reopened the entire Galveston Bay to shrimping effective 12:01 a.m. Friday and state officials questioned the completeness of the oil spill cleanup

efforts.

The entire bay was briefly closed to all types of fishing after a 700,000-gallon crude oil spill caused when a Greek tanker collided with three barges near Redfish Island July 28.

On Aug. 4, Dr. Robert Bernstein, state health commissioner, reopened the bay to finfishing. But portions of the bay still remain closed to the taking of crabs and oysters.

The Houston Ship Channel has been open to one-way ship traffic only since Aug. 3 as salvage crews work to remove a badly damaged barge from the waterway.

The West Gulf Maritime Association, an organization that represents shipping lines, has estimated the channel closing cost shipping lines between $15 million to $20 million.

Coast Guard spokesman Rich Muller said cleanup crews continued working Thursday on a few small patches of oil along the shore in the northern reaches of the bay. He said the cleanup efforts would be completed soon.

Meanwhile, a special governor's committee on the state's response to oil spills met for a regularly scheduled meeting in Austin.

Texas Water Commission Chairman B.J. ''Buck'' Wynne and Land Commissioner Garry Mauro questioned the Coast Guard assessment, saying it exemplified the urgent need for the state to take a leadership role in spill cleanups.

''I don't think we ought to declare victory yet. I think we ought to be doing everything we can to continue to clean up that oil spill, and I'm concerned that we are shutting down too soon,'' Mauro said.

He has long called for a strong state plan that includes the use of oil-eating microbes, or bioredmediation, to clean up spills.

''They sent the bioremediation team home this morning, I think that's outrageous,'' he said.

Water Commission Chairman Buck Wynne said he would return to Galveston this week to ''make a judgement on whether it is cleaned up.''

However, he said, the state has few resources to continue the cleanup if necessary. The $1 million oil spill response fund set up in 1977 has only $460,000 left in it.

''If I find it is not, what am I going to do? I've got $460,000, that doesn't go very far,'' Wynne said.

Late Wednesday, salvage workers finished cutting through the hull of a barge that has hampered traffic in the Houston Ship Channel. The first of two pieces of the barge was towed to Galveston Thursday.

The ship channel will be reopened to normal traffic once both pieces are removed, Muller said. The other two barges and the tanker were removed from the scene quickly after the accident.

But the badly damaged Apex 3417 barge had been almost completely submerged until it was re-floated and moved to the side of the ship channel.

All deep-water traffic through the channel was stopped between July 28 and Aug. 3. Since then, the channel has been open for one-way ship traffic. The direction of traffic through the channel is alternated on a 12-hour basis.

Ted Thorjussen, president of the West Gulf Marine Association, said shippers arriving at the same time can lose a day both coming and going.

''I think it's outrageous that the channel is still restricted,'' he said Thursday, blaming an ''overly cautious'' Coast Guard.

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#90221u1604 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	59 7-8	off	1-4
AT&T Co	35 1-8	up	1-8
BCE Corp	33	unch	
Bell Atlan	46 1-8	off	3-8
BellSouth	53 3-4	off	1-8
Exxon Corp	51 5-8	off	1-8
Ford Motor	38 1-8	unch	
Gen Elec	68	up	1-8
Gen Motors	40 3-4	off	1-4
GTE Corp	27 1-4	off	1-4
IBM Corp	103 1-4	up	1-8
Mobil Corp	65 7-8	off	1-2
Nynex	75 5-8	up	1-4
Pac Gas El	22	unch	
Pac Teles	42	up	3-4
Phila El	15 7-8	off	1-8
Sears	30 1-2	up	7-8
SouthernCo	24 3-8	off	1-4
Swst Bell	52 1-8	off	5-8

US West 35 7-8 off 1-4

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#90221u1627 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 9) UPI - An Arab summit to discuss the face-off in the Middle East has been delayed until tomorrow. The meeting had been scheduled for today but was postponed to give Arab leaders time to get to Cairo. Egypt's Middle East News Agency reports that Iraq is sending two top officials to the session.

Tension in the region mounted today. Iran, Libya and other hard-line Arab nations indicate that they are NOT happy with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait a week ago. But they express equal concern about the gathering in the region of U-S and European troops. Iran said the U-S presence is ''more dangerous'' than the Iraqi occupation.

The U-N Security Council today voted unanimously that Iraq's annexation of Kuwait is ''null and void.'' The 15-0 vote approved a resolution by the six Arab nations of the Gulf Co-operation Council. The statement demanded that Iraq rescind its announcement yesterday of an ''eternal merger'' with Kuwait.

Two ships passed in the night at Cape Canaveral, Florida. The shuttle Atlantis was rolled off a launch pad to make way for the shuttle Columbia. Both crafts have been grounded all summer due to unrelated fuel leaks... but NASA says Columbia has been fixed and is ready to blast off around the 1st of September.

The Environmental Protection Agency has taken steps to eliminate all that belching, black smoke from diesel engines. The agency today ordered an 80 percent cut in the sulfur content in diesel fuel during the next three years. While the new rule will clean up the air, it could boost diesel fuel costs by as much as two-point-three cents a gallon.

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#90221u1639 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 6 to 8 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.52	10.72	10.45	10.47	10.39
Mar	10.43	10.58	10.35	10.37	10.30
May	10.46	10.57	10.38	10.39	10.32
Jly	10.50	10.54	10.41	10.41	10.35
Oct	10.60	10.75	10.53	10.53	10.46

Estimated sales: 15,939 contracts
Open interest: 119,480 up 953
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.62

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday 5 to 14 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.20	23.33	23.20	23.33	23.19
Jan	23.01	23.14	23.01	23.14	23.06
Mar	23.00	23.06	23.00	23.03	22.95
May	23.05	23.11	23.05	23.10	23.03
Jly	23.10	23.10	23.10	23.10	23.05
Sep	23.10	23.10	23.10	23.10	23.05
Nov	23.00	....	....	22.95	22.90

Estimated sales: 667 contracts
Open interest: 9,131 off 265

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#90221u1641 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1126.6
Wednesday	1126.9
Week ago	1134.6
Month ago	1146.3
Year ago	1117.2
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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(AUG. 9) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	186.24	up	0.84
ASE Market Value Index	341.49	up	1.46
Dow-Jones Industrial	2758.91	up	24.01

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#90221u1648 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks - 13,540,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,160,926,355
Bonds - $1,980,000

1990 to date - $443,744,000

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#90221u1650 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 155,810,000 shares
1990 to date - 24,576,443,432
Warrants - 1,107,500

1990 to date - 147,830,800

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#90221u1652 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.89	up 0.16
10 Public Utils	92.25	up 0.52
10 Industrials	89.53	off 0.21

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#90221u1656 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Thursday	2758.91	up	24.01	998.18	up	6.76	204.48	off	1.07
Wednesday	2734.90	up	24.26	991.42	up	26.64	205.55	up	1.14
Tuesday	2864.60	off	34.66	1078.28	off	12.60	212.08	off	0.82
Month ago	2969.80	up	37.13	1164.96	up	9.67	206.49	up	1.70
Year ago	2712.63	up	26.55	1419.63	up	13.34	220.20	off	0.12
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2543.24			964.78			200.20		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90221u1660 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 9) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Thursday - 9,999,000
1990 to date - 1,570,066,000

The market closed higher.

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#90221u1666 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 341.55, low 339.87, close 341.49, up 1.46.

There was a gain of 5 cents in the average share price.

Volume 13,540,000 shares, compared with 15,020,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	3
New Lows	48
Advances	305
Declines	229
Unchanged	246

Total Issues 780

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#90221u1667 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
MORRISTOWN, NJ (AUG. 9) UPI - An appeals court judge Thursday reversed a decision by the state Casino Control Commission that would have made public the details of Donald Trump's recent bank bailout.

Judge Arnold Stein of the Appellate Division of Superior Court ruled that Trump can keep secret the documents that spell out the terms of his financial restructuring - at least until next week.

The commission will hold a special hearing Monday at 2 p.m. in Lawrenceville, N.J. to consider which of the documents should remain sealed. It will be up to Trump's lawyers to convince the commission which documents could jeapordize the deal worked out in June, in which Trump borrowed $65 million to refinance more than $1 billion in loans. The commission will then decide, page by page, and if necessary, word by word, which documents remain sealed, Stein ruled.

The commission had voted Wednesday to make all the documents public, but Trump's attorneys quickly obtained a court order keeping them sealed until Thursday's hearing.

But a document released to reporters before the order was obtained revealed that Trump will pay no interest for up to five years on the $1.08 billion he owes to 55 banks, an arrangement that will save him $85 million a year in interest payments. The document also indicated that Trump used his

Atlantic City casinos as collateral to obtain the new loans.

The commission is in the process of reviewing the deal Trump worked out in June to keep his Trump Castle Resort from defaulting. Under restructuring of his debt, Trump borrowed $65 million from the banks for three to five years to help pay off his interest payments.

The commission, which issued a license to Trump's Taj Mahal Casino Resort on March 31, must now decide whether Trump has the financial resources to operate his three Atlantic City casino hotels. Trump's attorneys assured the commission prior to the licensing that Trump had the financial stability necessary to run the casino.

Trump's financial problems came to light a short time after the Taj Mahal opened in April. In addition to the nearly $2 billion debt to various banks, Trump also owes more than $70 million to dozens of contractors who performed work on the Taj Mahal. The contractors are still negotiating with Trump's lawyers in hopes of getting paid.

As part of the restructuring deal, the banks have limited Trump to $450,000 a month for his personal expenses. Trump has reportedly been trying to sell his luxury yacht and his Trump Shuttle airline, which has been losing money.

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#90221u1670 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - Kitty Dukakis says that if her husband Michael had been elected president, the first crisis he had to face probably would have sent her into a drug and alcoholic tailspin. The Massachusetts first lady says in her autobiography that she relied heavily on the bottle after she realized her husband was a viable White House candidate.

South Korea and the Soviet Union may be on the brink of shoring up a long-standing diplomatic rift. After heading a 12-member delegation to Moscow, a top South Korean official said today the two countries soon may agree on details of economic co-operation and normalization of relations. A second round of talks is scheduled later this month in Seoul.

Today is the 45th anniversary of the atomic bombing of Nagasaki, and the city's mayor is urging Japan to aid foreign survivors of the nuclear attack. Nagasaki Mayor Hitoshi Motoshima told 25-thousand people gathered to commemorate the event that Tokyo has virtually ignored helping foreigners who were in Nagasaki when the bomb was dropped.

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#90221u1672 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - Long-time Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz resurfaced Thursday after a week's disappearance that fired rumors that he had been purged for opposing his country's invasion of Kuwait, sources said.

A longtime companion of President Saddam Hussein, Aziz had been conspicuously absent from official pronouncements since Iraqi troops stormed across the Kuwaiti border last Thursday and installed a puppet regime.

But the Iraqi government said he would be part of the Iraqi delegation to an Arab League summit in Cairo, due to begin on Friday.

In diplomatic activities before the military action, Aziz had signed a letter accusing Kuwait of profiting unfairly from Iraq's involvement in the war with Iran, and demanding that Kuwait pay $2.4 billion in indemnities.

But he did not represent Iraq at a meeting of the Islamic Conference Organization meeting in Cairo last week. Other countries were represented by their foreign ministers, but Iraq was represented by its interior minister, Samir Abd-al-Wahhab or other officials.

Aziz is known by American officials who have dealt with him to be a hard-liner, tough and sometimes extreme, but always interested in working through diplomatic channels.

His name was absent from the official Kuwaiti annexation announcement, which included a list of Iraqi officials who supported the invasion.

Diplomats in the Middle East said Aziz dropped out of sight Friday about the time Iraq announced it had executed the military officials for allegedly plotting a coup against Saddam at the instigation of an unnamed foreign power.

Initially, Baghdad Radio reported the officers were executed for refusing to participate in the invasion of a fellow Arab nation but later cited the alleged coup plot.

Baghdad's diplomatic blitz to bring other Arab nations into line with its stand on Kuwait has been conducted by Ezaat Ibrahim, vice chairman of Baghdad's secretive ruling Revolutionary Command Council.

Aziz is regarded as third in line from Saddam after First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadhan, who leads the delegation to the Cairo Arab League summit. But his disappearance during the crisis suggested to diplomatic sources that he has been downgraded in the Iraqi hierarchy under President Saddam Hussein.

He is a Protestant, unlike most other senior figures in the Islamic republic. Aziz also has served as a right-hand man to Saddam after helping him in the 1958 revolution that brought the Ba'ath Party to power.

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#90221u1674 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2734.16	2774.26	2716.58	2758.91	up 24.01
20 Trans	993.98	1016.79	984.67	998.18	up 6.76
15 Utils	204.67	206.05	203.41	204.48	off 1.07
65 Stock	958.64	973.64	951.75	964.47	up 5.68

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	19,220,000	28,102,200
Trans	4,825,700	4,213,600
Utils	3,162,200	3,837,000
65 Stock	27,207,900	36,152,800

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.89	up 0.16
10 Public Utils	92.25	up 0.52
10 Industrials	89.53	off 0.21

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 132.67 off 0.22.

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#90221u1686 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	341.49	up 1.46
High Technology	340.49	up 1.08
Capital Goods	381.13	up 2.41
Consumer Goods	419.05	up 1.23
Service	785.42	up 6.89
Retail	1109.25	up 11.87
Natural Resources	252.61	off 0.04
Housing-Const-Land	358.98	up 3.46

There was a gain of 5 cents in the price of an Amex share.

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REGIONALS

New England	430.52	up 1.94

Mid Atlantic	439.83	up 1.80
No Central	485.62	up 3.30
So Atlantic	992.14	up 5.74
So Central	337.16	up 2.78
Mountain	122.69	off 0.06
Pacific	400.30	up 1.41
Foreign	250.43	up 0.55

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#90221u1688 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - A rash of explosive wildfires burned out of control across four Western states Thursday, scorching roughly 200,000 acres of tinder-dry forest, rangelands and brush.

The worst of the fires, in Oregon and Idaho, were moving quickly across thousands of acres, fueled by dry weather and hot, swirling winds.

Most of the fires burning in those states as well as in California and Utah hit sparsely populated or wilderness areas and no major injuries were reported.

Weather officials issued ''red flag warnings'' for Northern California, the Sierra Nevada - which stretches from California into Nevada - and for parts of Oregon, Idaho and Wyoming, where predictions of more dry lightning strikes and low humidity levels made for dangerous fire conditions. Similar watches were issued for central Oregon and Montana.

Officials said any rain or humidity generated by thunderstorms would be driven far south, leaving dry lightning to the north.

Oregon Gov. Neil Goldschmidt invoked a state Conflagration Act for the second time in a week Thursday so more crews could be sent to a fire burning perilously close to the community of Burns and other eastern Oregon towns.

Goldschmidt also invoked the act late Saturday in response to a 3,300-acre fire west of Bend that consumed 22 homes and caused $5 million damage.

Meanwhile, more than 3,500 firefighters struggled in yet another day of scorching heat and erratic winds to dig lines around Oregon blazes that have blackened more than 106,000 acres.

Gusting winds aggravated conditions Wednesday night for crews fighting several blazes sparked by lightning Monday night in the Ochoco and Malheur national forests north and west of Burns, about 250 miles southeast of Portland.

After a sleepless night, Burns Police Chief Aaron Richardson said: ''If we get any more high winds, it certainly could develop into a real bad situation.''

In southern Idaho, attempts to contain two large range fires that had charred more than 50,000 acres since Wednesday were hampered by a shortage of firefighters and equipment.

The largest fire, believed to be man-made, was burning 17 miles north of Gooding, about 100 miles southeast of Boise. It was reported at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, and by Thursday morning, it had grown to 47,000 acres, said Dale Chatterton of the Shoshone District of the Bureau of Land Management.

''It's still cooking along and we're just trying to backfire it to keep it from getting any bigger than it is,'' Chatterson said.

''We're a little short-handed,'' said BLM spokeswoman Marti Sharp. ''We've got 70 people on the fire and that's all we can get - everyone else is committed throughout Idaho and the West.''

Southern Idaho has experienced record high temperatures this week and Thursday's forecast again called for highs above 100 degrees.

In California, a dozen major wildfires had consumed more than 45,000 acres by Thursday morning. Although firefighters were gaining the upper hand by digging breaks around the fires, forecasters predicted more electrical storms for later in the day.

About 1,900 firefighters were battling a single fire in North Central California that had consumed 29,200 acres.

The Pine Creek fire, which had spread from the Sierra foothills east of Red Bluff into Lassen National Forest, was about 30 percent contained by Thursday. About 20 homes in the tiny community of Campbellville on the Butte County border were evacuated.

In the Sierra National Forest east of Fresno, eight of 61 lightning-caused blazes that have erupted since Sunday were still burning Thursday, said Michael Brionez, a forest spokesman.

The forest's only large fire remaining out of control was the 200-acre Lily fire in the Ansel Adams Wilderness, about 65 air miles northeast of Fresno.

Lightning was blamed for more than two dozen wildfires in Yosemite National Park. The fires prompted officials to evacuate some 70 cabins in the community of Forestra and to shut down Highway 41, the southern entrance into the park.

A park spokeswoman said firefighters were concentrating on the fires that posed the greatest threat to park facilities and were letting others burn.

In Utah, the lightning-sparked, 5,350-acre Florence Creek fire south of Fort Duchesne was 80 percent surrounded at the beginning of its ninth day. Fire officials said with more than 375 firefighters on the lines, the fire was expected to be completely contained Friday.

The rash of Western fires has drawn help from around the country. Renee Snyder, a spokeswoman for the Boise Interagency Fire Center, said crews have been sent from Arizona, Colorado, Georgia, Maryland, New Jersey, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Wisconsin.

The California Department of Forestry reported that wildfires nationwide have blackened more than 3.1 million acres, compared to 1.4 million a year ago.

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#90221u1696 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	71,579,376	39 1/4	up 1 3/8
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	66,388,048	29 3/4	up 1 1/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	66,378,272	65 1/8	up 3 7/8
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	59,287,960	87	up 6 3/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	47,072,244	77	up 2 1/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	46,369,116	35 1/2	up 7/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	32,420,110	39 1/2	unch
Reuter Hldgs	(RTRS)	25,720,224	56 1/2	up 2 3/8
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	25,181,512	25 1/8	up 2 1/4
Nordstrom Inc	(NOBE)	22,989,896	27 1/8	up 1/8

Composite Index 180.90 up 4.90

NMS volume 92,617,000 shares.

Advances	1,107
Declines	571
Unchanged	1,148
Total	2,826

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#90221u1702 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - Eleven U.S. Embassy employees and relatives of

American diplomats from Baghdad tried to cross from Iraq into Jordan Thursday but were turned back at the border by Iraqi authorities, U.S. officials said.

The Iraqi Foreign Ministry later announced the convoy of U.S. diplomatic dependents and personnel would be permitted to cross the border, and the 11 Americans plan to try again Friday, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

The incident was the latest example of contradictory behavior by the Baghdad government, which has prevented thousands of Americans and other foreigners from leaving Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait while it avoids saying they are being held against their will.

Thirty-eight Americans rounded up by Iraqi forces since the invasion of Kuwait remained confined Thursday to a Baghdad hotel, which was surrounded by armed guards, State Department officials said.

A 10-year-old girl, Penelope Nabokov of Albany, Calif., who was among those detained at the Hotel Rashid, was released to the custody of the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad Wednesday, and U.S. officials were seeking to get her out of the country.

The State Department estimates that about 3,000 Americans remain in Kuwait and another 580 U.S. citizens in Iraq, most of them in Baghdad.

''These people are stuck, just like the people who are stuck in the Rashid Hotel,'' Boucher said. ''I can't adequately explain their (Iraqis') actions.''

U.S. officials, seeking to avoid inflaming the situation, have refused to characterize any of the Americans as hostages

''We have told the Iraqis that all the Americans should be permitted to depart,'' White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Thursday. ''Iraq is enforcing their requirement of a seven-day advance notice of travel by embassy personnel. We are sure that similar actions for private citizens are adding to the departure delay.''

The Iraqis have told U.S. officials that the 38 Americans at the Hotel Rashid were being held separately because they were picked up in ''sensitive areas'' of Kuwait, Boucher said. But he said there was no indication this was a precursor to charging them with security offenses.

The 38 include 11 oil field workers who were taken into custody in Kuwait at the outset of the invasion, 24 Americans rounded up from three hotels in Kuwait City days later, and three Americans who were already staying at the Rashid, State Department officials said.

Foreign residents of Iraq who have been in the country for more than 30 days have been told they need exit visas in order to leave, but Iraqi authorities are not issuing any such documents and the airport in Baghdad remains closed, Boucher said. However, foreigners have been permitted to move freely throughout the capital, he said.

Under Iraqi law, short-term visitors to Iraq are not generally required to have exit visas to depart the country, but they also have not been permitted to leave since the invasion, Boucher said.

Diplomatic staff and their dependents have been told they can leave, but with enforcement of the seven-day waiting period, they could not depart before next Wednesday.

Although both the Iraqi and Kuwaiti borders appear to be sealed, there have been numerous reports of Americans departing both countries, including five U.S. citizens who arrived by car in Jordan Wednesday, Fitzwater said.

The U.S. Embassy in Kuwait has set up a ''warden system,'' in which certain Americans have been assigned to report to the embassy daily on the well-being of a group of people in their neighborhood or in their company.

The State Department called in the Iraqi ambassador to Washington, Mohamed al-Mashat, Thursday to urge that the Americans be permitted to leave, and to reiterate international calls for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Boucher said al-Mashat had earlier given his government's commitment to protect the security of the Americans.

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#90221u1703 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

BOGOTA (AUG. 9) UPI - Newly inaugurated President Cesar Gaviria said Thursday his government will not let up in its fight against a warring cocaine cartel and will continue extradition of suspects to the United States, at least for now.

Gaviria, who took office Tuesday, also said a cease-fire declared two weeks ago by the Medellin Cartel of cocaine traffickers will not influence the policies of his government.

''This government is not going to change its position or its attitude because of terrorism,'' Gaviria said at a news conference. ''This has to be clearly established, that we are dedicated to a struggle of this type.''

Colombia has been wracked for the last year by a series of car bombs and

airline bombings and the assasinations of three presidential candidates, police officers, and other officials.

The actions are blamed by police on the Medellin Cartel of cocaine traffickers and their armed hit squad, which calls itself The Extraditables in statements to the news media.

Hundreds of people have been killed in the war that began after a series of assasinations in August of 1989 when then then-President Virgilio Barco declared a state of siege.

He used his emergency powers to reinstate extradition, which had been voided by the Supreme Court.

In the past year some 20 cocaine suspects have been sent to the United States.

Two weeks ago The Extraditables sent a statement to Colombia news media saying they were halting the bombings and killings, but they made it clear they also wanted a halt to extradition.

Gaviria said in his inauguration speech that the use of extradition would be ''discretionary'' but only when the acts of terror stop and the Colombian system of justice was rebuilt from its present state of near collapse.

That seemed to mean that extradition in the future would be considered on a case-by-case basis, with perhaps some of the extradition requests being turned down.

U.S. authorities are anxious to continue the extradition proceedings, believing that drug traffickers are more likely to be convicted in the United States than in Colombia, where judges are subject to threats of murder and and other violence by the cocaine dealers.

Gaviria made it clear Thursday that the conditions he offered to make extradition ''discretionary'' had not been met.

''It appears to me the disappearance of terror is very far from being a sufficient condition to speak of this discretionary use,'' he said.

He added emphatically, ''The president of the republic is not an enemy of extradition.''

The rebuilding of Colombia's paralyzed justice system is a long term project that ''will not be resolved from one day to the next,'' he said.

''We can not let down our guard,'' Gaviria said. ''I am convinced we must

continue combatting and persecuting the criminal organizations dedicated to terrorism.''

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#90221u1706 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Wal Mart Stores	2,776,300	30 5/8	up 3/8
Glaxo Hldgs	2,613,000	28 3/4	off 1 5/8
Utd Telecom	2,446,700	25 3/8	up 1
Boeing Co	1,759,700	54 1/2	up 1 1/2
Genl Motor	1,719,000	40 7/8	off 1/8
GTE Corp	1,669,100	27 1/4	off 1/4
Sthwestrn P S	1,583,400	27 3/4	up 1/2
Philip Morris	1,525,600	46 1/2	up 7/8
Limited Inc	1,521,700	19 5/8	up 1 1/4
Global Marine	1,503,300	5 1/2	up 1/8
Alcan Aluminum	1,489,000	23	up 1/8
Texaco Inc	1,406,800	62 7/8	up 1/8
Citicorp	1,378,700	19 5/8	up 1/4
Genl Electric	1,359,900	68	up 1/8
Texas Util	1,343,900	36 1/2	off 3/8

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#90221u1710 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - A diabetic juror at the trial of Mayor Marion Barry was hospitalized Thursday ''deeply depressed'' and with a fever, halting deliberations for the day as the cocaine and perjury case neared the end of its 10th week.

Juror Deborah Noel, 34, was taken to Providence Hospital at about noon with a fever and for treatment by her endocrinologist, Dr. Ashraf El-Khodary, who has treated her for diabetes, said U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson.

The hospital released a statement saying Noel was in ''good condition'' and was admitted for ''overnight observation to monitor her blood sugar.''

Noel, a clinical clerk at Howard University Hospital, was expected to be released in time for the jury to resume deliberations for an eighth day at 9:30 a.m. Friday, said Jackson.

But Jackson later said through a pool reporter that, if Noel's condition worsened, he would consider asking attorneys for both sides if they would

accept an 11-person jury to deliberate.

The jury has been sequestered since June 18. Friday will mark the eighth day of deliberations on 14 cocaine and perjury charges facing Barry.

''(El-Khodary) tells me he can find nothing wrong,'' Jackson told attorneys in the courtroom. ''She is, however, deeply depressed, overwrought and under great stress.''

A U.S. Marshal was assigned to stay with Noel to ensure she did not have access to news about the trial, said Jackson.

The jury of nine women and three men has deliberated more than 32 hours over seven days, reaching a verdict on at least one of the 14 counts.

The jury told Jackson on Tuesday it had reached a conclusion on Count 12, one of 10 misdemeanor possession counts, but did not announce the verdict.

In addition to the possession charges, Barry faces three felony counts of perjury and a single misdemeanor count of conspiracy to possess cocaine.

He could be sentenced to 26 years in prison and fined $1.85 million if convicted of all counts.

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#90221u1720 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	398.96	247.57	136.38	25.76	338.35
Opening	399.48	249.18	136.12	25.82	338.72
11 a.m.	398.95	249.92	135.76	25.75	338.21
Noon	398.89	249.98	135.58	25.74	338.11
1 p.m.	398.68	249.48	135.55	25.76	337.96
2 p.m.	400.47	250.12	135.92	25.91	339.44
3 p.m.	400.45	249.54	135.93	25.92	339.41
Close	401.20	249.34	135.93	25.95	339.94
Change	up 2.24	up 1.77	off 0.45	up 0.19	up 1.59

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#90221u1729 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.

Berkshire Hth	6800	off	25
CBS pf	120	off	21
Hall pf	45	off	5
PioneerF pf	29 1/4	off	3 1/2
Boise Cascade	38	up	3 1/4
Wash Post	242	up	3
May Dept Stores	46 3/4	up	2 3/4
CBS Corp	178 3/4	up	2 3/4
Fedl Hm Loan	68 1/4	up	2 5/8
Time Warner	83 1/4	off	2 1/2

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#90221u1740 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - A strong majority of senior executives at the largest U.S. companies support President Bush's handling of the Iraqi crisis and many favor an even stronger military response, according to a business survey released Thursday.

"The American government has the solid approval of the nation's corporate leaders," said the survey, conducted by Research & Forecasts Inc. just after Washington's decision to send troops to Saudi Arabia.

Bush's handling of the crisis was viewed as "good or excellent" by 78 percent of the executives polled at 100 companies ranking among the top 1,000 U.S. businesses.

But a virtually similar number, 77 percent, said the United States should not act alone but seek joint military action with other countries because the interests at stake - including oil supplies - have a global impact.

A strong 50 percent of the respondents favored limited air strikes against Iraq if Baghdad were to move against Saudi Arabia, but only 12 percent said they would support a full-scale war against Iraq. A 53 percent majority believed that Iraq was likely to attack Saudi Arabia.

Virtually all executives said they were closely following developments in the Middle East, although most expected the crisis to have no significant impact on their operations.

U.S. corporations with operations in Kuwait or Iraq said that they were closely monitoring the situation and that their concern focused on the safety of employees - including a number of U.S. nationals - rather than on a loss of business.

United Technologies Corp., which is strongly represented in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia through its Carrier air-conditioner and Otis elevator subsidiaries, said it has not asked employees to leave the region but

recommended they stayed in close contact with U.S. officials.

The company declined to give a specific figure on employees in Kuwait but said it was employing 700 people in the emirate and Saudi Arabia, including 130 U.S. nationals who have 50 U.S. dependents. "We are not being specific for security reasons," said spokeswoman Peg Hashem. "We are staying in close touch with our employees."

Texaco Inc. announced earlier this week it was closing down its Kuwait refinery because storage tanks were full as a result of the international embargo ordered against Iraq and Kuwait.

Texaco said it was offering transportation for the dependents of its U.S. employees in Saudi Arabia who wanted to leave. But none of the oil company's 50 American workers have left. Texaco also said its 17 U.S. employees in Kuwait were safe.

Avis Inc. said that it was only employing Kuwaiti nationals in the emirate and that its operations were extremely scaled down because there were no travelers going to Kuwait since the invasion.

According to the survey, the crisis in the Middle East has had only a moderate effect on business projections, with 39 percent of the executives polled projecting lower profits but 43 percent saying the crisis will not have a real impact on their businesses. Ten percent considered putting off expansion plans.

At the same time, 54 percent of the executives said all U.S. citizens should be required to perform some form of mandatory national service, including military service. The poll was done as part of a broader survey, the "Chivas Regal report on American Business Leaders: Executive attitudes in a time of upheaval."

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#90221u1743 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA, NICARAGUA (AUG. 9) UPI - An internal crisis erupted in the Nicaraguan military Thursday when the chief of the air force was fired, reportedly for revealing military secrets to the pro-government newspaper La Prensa.

The Sandinista Popular Army, in a written statement, announced that Col. Javier Pichardo had been removed from his post by armed forces commander Humberto Ortega, and was replaced by Col. Manuel Salvatierra.

An army spokesman refused further comment, but the Sandinista-owned radio station La Primerisima said the main reason for the action was an allegation that Pichardo revealed ''military secrets'' to Cristiana

Chamorro, director of La Prensa and daughter of President Violeta Chamorro. The president owns La Prensa.

The radio also said differences between Pichardo and Ortega over the transfer of power to Chamorro also influenced the dismissal.

Pichardo could not be immediately reached for comment, and La Primerisima said he was in army custody.

The information Pichardo gave to Cristiana Chamorro involved a split in the armed forces over the handover from Sandinista rule to Violeta Chamorro. No further details were available.

La Primerisima also said the army had asked national police chief Rene Vivas to jail Pichardo, but Vivas had rejected the request saying it was an ''internal army problem.''

The Sandinista army has been going through a process of reduction since Chamorro took office Apr. 25 after defeating Sandinista President Daniel Ortega, brother of Humberto, in elections.

Presidential Minister Antonio Lacayo said Wednesday that the reductions had brought the army down from 96,500 troops last December to less than 40,000 by the end of July.

Chamorro's retention of Humberto Ortega as head of the army has been a sticky point within her National Opposition Union, or UNO, coalition.

Humerto Ortega, in apparent rejection of extremist sectors within the Sandinista Front, sided with Chamorro during a violent nationwide strike by Sandinista workers last month and ordered the army and police to maintain order and refrain from using firearms.

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#90221u1752 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	412.98	up	5.25	428.89	463.55
Industrial	444.12	up	7.58	461.81	449.93
Finance	402.25	up	2.33	412.97	549.42
Insurance	477.19	up	4.22	487.65	541.41
Utility	564.12	up	4.71	592.82	721.80
Bank	301.26	off	0.08	312.65	488.00
Transport	446.81	off	0.76	471.74	463.54

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 410.72

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	180.90	up	2.37
Industrial Index	175.52	up	3.10
NASDAQ-100 Index	418.25	up	7.09

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#90221u1755 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - President Bush will nominate Jeanne Archibald, a Treasury Department lawyer since 1986, to be general counsel of the department, the White House announced Thursday.

Archibald, 39, who has been serving as deputy general counsel at the Treasury Department, would succeed Edith Holiday, who recently was named a top aide to President Bush at the White House.

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#90221u1757 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG 9) UPI - The United States moved ahead on a global strategy Thursday of isolating Iraq economically and politically, blocking the Iraqis militarily and encouraging international pressure to bring about an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

The three-pronged strategy got a boost Thursday when the United Nations Security Council, in its third action in a week against the Iraqi invasion voted, 15-0, to declare Iraq's annexation of Kuwait ''null and void,'' without any standing in international law.

In Cairo, members of the Arab League, including Iraq, gathered for a meeting, delayed until Friday, to hear a plan by Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak to arrange an Iraqi pullback under the auspices of an Arab multinational force.

But Iraq's announced annexation of Kuwait - described Wednesday by a Baghdad spokesman as ''eternal'' - appeared to block that plan before it could be put into effect.

French President Francois Mitterrand dispatched an aircraft carrier and support ships to the region. England contributed Jaguar and Tornado aircraft and tanker planes.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said, ''The U.S. effort to isolate Iraq'' will go on a parallel track with the efforts by other nations and international organizations.

In Ankara, Turkey, Secretary of State James Baker talked with Turkish officials, including President Turgut Ozal, about further cooperation to contain Iraq.

A Pentagon spokesman said he could not confirm a report, originating in Turkey, that Iraqi forces had begun to mass near the Turkish border.

Assistant Secretary of State John Kelly was to travel to Damascus to discuss further means of isolating Iraq and to prevent its life-blood - oil exports - from going to the outside world.

Baker is to go Friday from Ankara to Brussels to report to NATO foreign ministers on the American strategy.

The Soviet ambassador in Brussles, named by his government to be liaison for the western effort against Iraq, was also scheduled to receive a briefing by Baker Friday.

The American campaign, according to Boucher, included communications with another long-time U.S. adversary, Iran. He said there had been regular communications with the Iranian government, which is still technically in a state of war with Iraq, even though a truce has been called in their 8-year armed struggle.

The United States and Iran, which do not have diplomatic relations, communicate through Switzerland or Algeria.

Iran has publicly condemned the Iraqi takeover of Kuwait, but has not said what it will do to back up that condemnation.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said, ''This is pretty much of a waiting game now.''

He said that Iraq has already begun feeling the pinch of the U.N.-ordered trade embargo and cutoff of arms supplies, including spare parts from its former principal suppliers, France and the Soviet Union.

Fitzwater said, ''I think the President feels confident that he has done the right thing for the right reason. ... He feels very good about it.''

Bush continued his flurry of telephone conversations with world leaders, including the heads of the United Arab Emirates, Oman and Turkey and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. He planned to call Australian Prime Minister Robert Hawke.

At the State Department senior officials called in foreign ambassadors to give a series of briefings on the attempt to isolate Iraq and to suggest ways that other countries could help tighten the ring.

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#90221u1775 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 9) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	262.60	264.90	261.80	264.50	262.60
Dec	....	....	....	267.70	265.80
Mar	....	....	....	271.40	269.50

Previous day volume: 55 contracts.
Open interest: 1,303 off 56

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	340.00	342.25	338.80	341.40	339.55
Dec	344.10	346.10	342.80	345.45	343.45
Mar	346.20	349.00	346.10	348.70	346.65
Jun	....	352.80	350.40	352.80	350.75

Today's estimated volume: 38,890 contracts.
Open interest: 127,380 up 596

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	185.70	187.10	185.15	186.55	185.60
Dec	187.50	189.00	187.10	188.65	187.70
Mar	189.25	189.25	189.25	190.75	189.80

Open interest: 6,086 up 146

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	556.50	559.25	553.50	558.15	555.65
Sep	558.40	561.40	557.00	560.65	558.25

Estimated volume 2,693 contracts.
Open interest: 6,579 off 41

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#90221u1797 08/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices:		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	21.80-21.90	21.80-21.85

North Sea Brent	24.75-24.85	24.75-24.80
West Texas Intermed	25.70-25.75	25.95-26.00
Light Louisiana Sweet	26.15-26.25	27.50-27.70

New York Harbor spot products:
(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	80.15-80.40	80.20-80.45
No. 2 Heating oil	68.25-68.50	68.90-69.15

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products:
(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	78.00-78.25	77.95-78.95
No. 2 Heating oil	66.85-67.05	66.90-67.15

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austrl	.000175	.000180	5710.00	5560.00
Australia dlr	.8002	.7944	1.2497	1.2588
Austria schill	.0893	.0889	11.20	11.25
Belgium frnc-c	.0306	.0305	32.68	32.74
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0141	.0141	71.02	71.02
Britain pound	1.8675	1.8695	.5355	.5349
Britain 1-mo	1.8566	1.8586	.5386	.5380
Britain 3-mo	1.8360	1.8372	.5447	.5443
Britain 6-mo	1.8071	1.8091	.5534	.5528
Canada dollar	.8723	.8713	1.1464	1.1477
Canada 1-mo	.8682	.8671	1.1518	1.1533
Canada 3-mo	.8608	.8601	1.1617	1.1626
Canada 6-mo	.8523	.8511	1.1733	1.1750
Chile peso-f	.003451	.003454	289.75	289.54
China yuan	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127
Colombia pes	.001975	.001978	506.21	505.65
Denmark krne	.1648	.1650	6.0680	6.0605
Ecudr sucr-z	.001120	.001116	892.98	895.95
Egypt pound	.3728	.3742	2.6825	2.6727
Finlnd mrkka	.2670	.2668	3.7450	3.7485
France franc	.1870	.1875	5.3490	5.3330
France 1-mo	.1867	.1872	5.3568	5.3413

France 3-mo	.1860	.1865	5.3759	5.3617
France 6-mo	.1850	.1855	5.4058	5.3915
Greece drach	.006428	.006442	155.57	155.22
Hollnd guildr	.5561	.5580	1.7981	1.7920
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1286	7.7720	7.7735
India rupee	.0578	.0580	17.29	17.25
Indo'sa rupia	.000543	.000543	1842.00	1842.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.6840	1.6845	0.5938	0.5936
Israel shekel	.5025	.5025	1.9900	1.9900
Italy lira	.000856	.000859	1168.00	1164.00
Japan yen	.006675	.006665	149.82	150.03
Japan 1-mo	.006678	.006669	149.74	149.95
Japan 3-mo	.006671	.006670	149.90	149.93
Japan 6-mo	.006671	.006671	149.90	149.90
Jordan dinar	1.5328	1.5328	0.6524	0.6524
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico pes-z	.000349	.000349	2864.00	2864.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6010	.6010	1.6639	1.6639
Norway krne	.1624	.1625	6.1560	6.1525
Pakistn rupee	.0466	.0466	21.48	21.48
Peru inti	.000003	.000004	295,500	246,250
P'pnes peso-z	.0441	.0441	22.66	22.66
Portugl escd	.007160	.007183	139.67	139.21
Saudi riyal	.2668	.2668	3.7480	3.7480
Singapore dlr	.5540	.5537	1.8050	1.8060
S.Africa rand	.3872	.3889	2.5824	2.5715
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010242	.010235	97.64	97.70
Sweden krona	.1713	.1715	5.8390	5.8310
Switzrl franc	.7443	.7474	1.3435	1.3380
Switzrl 1-mo	.7438	.7469	1.3444	1.3389
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7424	.7454	1.3470	1.3416
Switzrl 6-mo	.7404	.7435	1.3506	1.3450
Taiwan dollar	.0371	.0370	26.99	27.00
Turkey lira	.000377	.000378	2652.00	2643.00
UAE dirham	.2725	.2725	3.6699	3.6699
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0207	.0207	48.41	48.36
W.Ger Mark	.6268	.6287	1.5955	1.5905
W.Ger 1-mo	.6266	.6286	1.5958	1.5909
W.Ger 3-mo	.6261	.6279	1.5973	1.5926
W.Ger 6-mo	.6246	.6264	1.6009	1.5963
Yugosl dinar	.0916	.0919	10.92	10.88

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90221u1811 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - The judge in the Central Park jogger trial, in an apparent setback for the defense, told the jury Thursday that parents do not ''automatically'' have to be present during police questioning of juveniles.

''It hurts my case with the jury,'' said Peter Rivera, a lawyer for defendant Raymond Santana, 15. ''This is a central issue of our case. I'm very dissapointed.''

The judge's legal opinion came on the first day of deliberations in the rape and attempted murder trial of three youths charged in the attack on a woman jogger in Central Park on Apr. 19, 1989.

Santana, Antron McCray, 16, and Yusef Salaam, 16, were all under 16 and therefore considered juveniles at the time of their arrests in the hours after the rampage.

The jury sent a note to Justice Thomas Galligan asking for a ''clarification of circumstances when statement of a minor is acceptable ... particularly when a parent or guardian should be present for the interview.''

Galligan told the jury that it is proper for police to question a juvenile without a parent present as long as they made a ''reasonable effort'' to notify the parent.

''The fact that a parent was not present during the questioning of a juvenile does not automatically mean that a statement was involuntary,'' the judge told the jury of 10 men and two women at state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

''There is no requirement for a parent or guardian to be present. You may consider if the police made a reasonable effort to contact the parents or guardian,'' Galligan said.

The judge's ruling, Rivera said, could undermine Santana's defense case, which was based on a narrower interpretation of law governing the questioning of juveniles.

Rivera urged the jury to disregard Santana's confession, arguing that a parent or legal guardian must be present during police questioning.

Santana's father was contacted by police, but the youth was left at the precinct with his grandmother - who is not his legal guardian - when he initially confessed.

The state Family Court Act says parents should be present during the questioning of juveniles but in recent years there have been a number of exceptions to the rule, said Peter Reinharz, Manhattan's chief prosecutor at Family Court.

The exceptions are made when police ''have made all reasonable efforts to get in touch with the parents or person legally responsible,'' Reinharz said.

Late Wednesday, the jurors listened to two hours of legal instruction from Galligan to guide them to a verdict in the highly publicized case.

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#90221u1819 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

TALLAHASSEE, FL (AUG. 9) UPI - Iraq's Saddam Hussein has been nominated for a solar energy industry group's annual "Solar Man of the Year Award," the group's director said Thursday.

Ed Glenn of the Florida Solar Energy Industries Association said the award is given to the person who has contributed most to the development and use of solar energy in the Sunshine State.

Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, and the subsequent shock to the world oil markets, has shaken the public's complacency about energy, Glenn said. He said the Iraqi leader's nomination for the award was a "tongue-in-cheek gesture," but that the United State's dependence on imported oil is no laughing matter.

"It is unfortunate that a crisis is so often required to get people's attention, but the good news is that we can use this warning signal to our advantage by finding ways to cut energy demand and to shift many of our energy uses from limited fossil fuels to renewable energy resources," Glenn said.

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#90221u1834 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	9	9	59
New lows	109	120	145

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	825	83,951,700
Declines	687	49,456,700
Unchanged	473	22,401,600
Total	1,985	155,810,000

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#90221u1837 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 3
New lows 48

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	305	8,420,700
Declines	229	2,946,400
Unchanged	246	2,172,900
Total	780	13,540,000

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#90221u1842 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - President Bush formally laid to rest a diplomatic dispute between the United States and Nicaragua on Thursday that became all but moot with the installation of a democratically elected government in April.

Bush repealed an October 1988 executive order signed by President Reagan that limited the entry of officers and employees of the Nicaraguan government, at that time headed by the Marxist-led Sandinista regime of Daniel Ortega.

Reagan imposed the restrictions in retaliation for the expulsion of American diplomats from Nicaragua. The proclamation signed Thursday by Bush restores freedom of travel to the United States for officials of the American-backed government of President Violeta Chamorro.

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#90221u1854 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	186.43	185.08	186.24	up 0.84
Industrial	232.54	231.17	232.54	up 1.29
Transport	153.87	153.32	153.68	up 1.17
Utility	87.73	88.46	87.33	off 0.15

Finance	132.63	131.87	132,63	up	0.73

Equivalent to a gain of 14 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 155,810,000 shares.

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#90221u1858 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	129,933,700
Advances	1,202
Declines	767
Unchanged	2,312
Total	4,281

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#90221u1874 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	413.17	407.73	412.98	up	5.25
Industrial	444.67	437.54	444.12	up	7.58
Finance	402.25	399.90	402.25	up	2.33
Insurance	477.39	472.59	477.19	up	4.22
Utility	564.12	558.30	564.12	up	4.71
Bank	302.08	299.37	301.26	off	0.08
Transport	451.41	446.40	446.81	off	0.76

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 468.86

1990 Low (1-30) 410.72

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	180.90	up 2.37
Industrial Index	175.52	up 3.10
NASDAQ-100 Index	418.25	up 7.09

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share 9.36 up 0.13

Volume	129,933,700 shares
Advances	1,107
Declines	571
Unchanged	1,148
Total	2,826

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#90221u1881 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (AUG. 9) UPI - Iraq agreed Thursday to participate in an emergency Arab summit called to forestall further foreign involvement in the Persian Gulf crisis, even as U.S. troops took up positions in Saudi Arabia and France deployed forces to the region.

The summit was postponed from Thursday evening to Friday morning to give delegates from Yemen and Tunisis time to travel to cairo to join other delegates of the 21-member Arab League for the emergency meeting, spokesmen said.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak was expected to try to convince Iraq to accept an Arab peace-keeping force and withdraw from the tiny emirate of Kuwait, which it invaded last week and annexed Wednesday.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein agreed to send a high level delegation to the summit, giving Arab leaders a chance to negotiate an Arab solution to the Kuwait conflict before Western forces dig in.

''The summit looks like a last chance for peace,'' a Western diplomat based in Cairo said.

But Saddam gave no indication he was ready to back down, tightening his grip on the emirate by announcing Iraq would assume Kuwait's financial obligations and ordering foreign missions in Kuwait city to relocate to Baghdad.

The United Nations ruled in a special session in New York that the annexation was ''null and void'' and urged member states not to recognize the Iraqi action.

Jordan tested its air raid sirens and Turkey moved F-16 fighter jets to its border with Iraq, where Iraqi troops were reported to be massing. An Iraqi ambassador in Athens caused alarm when he announced Iraq would not hesitate to use its deadly arsenal of chemical weapons.

The State Department in Washington also reported that dozens of Americans were being held against their will in a Baghdad hotel, stopping short of calling them hostages. The Iraqis did release a 10-year-old American girl.

The United States, which hopes to assemble a united international military force off Iraq just as it organized an international oil and trade embargo against the country, had limited success Thursday.

France agreed to join U.S. and British forces in the Gulf region but efforts to convince Arab nations and Turkey to join the burgeoning military display were fruitless.

The Soviet Union said Thursday it would only consider participating in a multi-national force or naval blockade if such measures were established by the U.N. Security Council.

NATO officials in Brussels, Belgium said the alliance would come to the aid of Turkey, its only Moslem member, if Iraq invaded, but said there were no immediate plans to send forces to the Gulf.

But President Francois Mitterrand said France would immediately bolster its forces in the Gulf region and would send arms and technicians to the area to help defend Saudi Arabia and other countries against a possible Iraqi attack.

King Fahd of Saudi Arabia, in an address to his kingdom, said the deployment of U.S. troops on Saudi soil was necessary in light of the Iraqi troop buildup along the Kuwaiti border, but stressed the measure was only temporary.

The presence of foreign forces in the Gulf was denounced by several hard-line Arab states, most notably Libya and Iran, which charged the U.S. troops posed a greater threat to the Arab world than Iraq's invasion of Kuwait - which it also denounced.

Saddam, who has appealed for backing from nationalist Arabs, struck a chord in his ally Jordan, where youths demonstrated against the U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia and begged to join the Iraqi army. Students in Libya and Yemen also protested against the U.S. forces, news agencies said.

Arab leaders, including Syrian President Hafez Assad and Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi, arrived in Cairo Thursday for the emergency summit, which was also to be attended by deposed Kuwaiti emir, Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah.

The Middle Eastern News Agency, MENA, said Taha Yassin Ramadan, Iraq's first deputy prime minister, would attend the emergency Arab session along with three other delegates, including Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. Aziz had disappeared from public view last week at the same time as reports surfaced that said Baghdad had executed more than 100 military officers.

The Iraqi Foreign Ministry announced Thursday foreign missions of the ''former regime'' in Kuwait ''no longer have official status and became illegal'' with Baghdad's proclamation Wednesday of a merger of the nations.

Kuwait and Iraq combined produce 10 percent of the crude oil on the market but the extensive international economic boycott spearheaded by President Bush and mandated by the U.N. Security Council has reduced the flow of oil

from the two nations to a trickle.

Turkey contributed to the boycott earlier this week by stopping shipments of oil from two Iraqi pipelines that run under the country to the Mediterranean. Secretary of State James Baker met in Ankara with Turkish leaders Thursday morning to assure them that NATO would come to Turkey's aid if Iraq attempted to retaliate.

Not all Kuwaitis took the loss of their country as a fait accompli. A clandestine organization in Beirut reported Kuwaiti nationalists had thrown a hand grenade at Iraqi guards in Kuwait city, but the report could not be confirmed. Members of the Kuwaiti delegation to the Arab summit cried at the Cairo airport when their national anthem was played.

Before leaving Baghdad, Iraqi delegation leader Ramadan said Iraq wanted to stress ''the importance of giving precedence to pan-Arab interests over narrow parochial interest to confront overt U.S. threats to the Arab nation.''

Earlier Thursday, Iraq's U.N. Abdul Amir al-Anbari told the British Broadcasting Corp. Baghdad ''didn't want to fight with America'' and had no plans to attack Saudi Arabia.

''America is a great country, much more powerful than Iraq or anyone else in the region, but however ... when you are at home you have to defend yourself by any means,'' he said.

Also Thursday, the British Foreign Office in London said Iraq had sealed its borders and would only allow diplomats to leave the country.

A Foreign Office spokesman confirmed that a flight attendant on a British Airways jet seized in Kuwait had been raped at gunpoint by an Iraqi soldier. The incident occurred when some of the jet's 367 passengers and crew were being transferred by bus from one hotel to another 48 hours after the Iraqi invasion.

Diplomats said they hoped the Arab summit could achieve a settlement and a confrontation between the foreing troops and Saddam's 1 million-strong battle-hardened soldiers could be avoided.

In Washington, White House officials described the situation as a waiting game.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - About 50,000 Iraqi troops in armored and infantry units appear to be headed to Kuwait to join the 120,000 Iraqi

soldiers already there who are digging in and improving air defenses, the Pentagon said Thursday.

''This morning we see the Iraqi military consolidating its forces in Kuwait,'' Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said, citing U.S. intelligence reports. ''It would seem to us that they are working to hold on to what they've acquired.

''They seem to be in a defensive posture, but nonetheless, Iraqi forces are still capable of offensive action.

''And at the same time, more Iraqi military units appear to be heading south, from Iraq into Kuwait,'' he said. ''It's difficult for me to go much beyond that. It's a mixture of forces, both armored and infantry units.''

The Pentagon said later that if all of the Iraqi troops going south move into Kuwait, there will be a total 170,000 Iraqi soldiers in the occupied country. About 120,000 Iraqi forces are already in Kuwait, Williams said.

At the same time, the United States continued sending troops and aircraft to Saudi Arabia to help deter a possible Iraqi invasion from occupied Kuwait. Defense sources said the U.S. force there could grow to 50,000 troops.

The mission was also given a formal name: Operation Desert Shield.

A senior administration official who asked not to be identified said no U.S. decision had been made yet whether to conduct a naval blockade of Iraqi oil exports.

But, he added, ''I would anticipate that we would take some steps to interfere with the export of petroleum products. ... We're working out the details now of how the sanctions, voted by the U.N., should be applied. ... We are working with other countries.''

In New York, the U.N. Security Council unanimously passed a resolution condemning Iraq's annexation of Kuwait and declaring the armed action ''null and void.''

At the White House, President Bush was reported pleased with the United Nation's official repudiation of Iraq's annexation of Kuwait and he used the telephone to try to rally global isolation of Baghdad.

''We're very satisfied with the events in the past 24 hours,'' said White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater, referring to the biggest U.S. military operation since the Vietnam War and a U.N-backed embargo against Iraq.

Bush called British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, who has committed naval and air forces to the Persian Gulf, the leaders of the Gulf nations of United Arab Emirates and Oman, and the leader of NATO's only Moslem member, Turkey.

Fitzwater said the leaders of Oman, the UAE and Turkey ''all expressed satisfaction regarding the efforts of the international community.''

Turkey, Iraq's northern neighbor, closed an Iraqi pipeline that runs through its country and there were unconfirmed reports Thursday of a possible Iraqi military buildup on the Turkish border.

But Williams said he had not seen any U.S. intelligence to indicate an Iraqi military buildup on the border of Turkey.

The United States has at least 14 F-111 fighter-bombers at Incirlik Air Base in Turkey, within easy reach of Baghdad. F-111 aircraft were used in the U.S. air attack on Libya in 1986.

Although Arab leaders have yet to develop a joint ''Arab solution'' to last week's Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, Fitzwater said, ''We note that Jordan has indicated it intends to abide'' by the U.N. trade embargo of Iraq.

''This is a positive step,'' he said. ''We hope this also indicates that King Hussein recognizes the threat that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein represents to the Arab World.''

Fitzwater said there had been no change in the status of 38 Americans being held against at a hotel in Baghdad. He said the hotel is surrounded by armed guards, but ''to our knowledge no American has been threatened.''

''We have told the Iraqis that all Americans should be permitted to leave '' he said.

Fitzwater said the president ordered Assistant Secretary of State John Kelly to go to Syria to discuss possible coordinated action and made indirect contact about the situation with Iran, a longtime foe.

The press secretary said the United States sought to assure Iran that the U.S. forces were in the Persian Gulf in a defensive mode only, and also wanted to better understand Iran's position.

Pentagon spokesman Williams said that not only are the Iraqis digging in in Kuwait, but Iraqi forces ''are improving their air defenses ... in Kuwait.'' He declined to elaborate, though the Iraqis are believed to have more than 300 surface-to-air missiles in their arsenal.

The Pentagon declined to officially disclose how many U.S. troops or aircraft were in Saudi Arabia or how many were going to be sent or from where.

Williams said the 82nd Airborne Division's Ready Brigade, which sources said totaled about 2,300 paratroopers, were continuing to arrive in Saudi Arabia for a second day from Fort Bragg, N.C.

In addition, all 48 of the F-15 Eagle fighter jets the United States planned to send to Saudi Arabia were in the oil kingdom Thursday, along with five AWACS early-warning radar planes.

''They're unloading equipment, setting up defensive positions and perimeters,'' Williams said of the U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia. ''And they are also working with the Saudi forces to improve their military'' and conduct training.

The Pentagon was expected to continue to send more troops and other aircraft including F-16 fighters and bombers.

''I cannot speculate on how much more will go,'' Williams said. ''There'll be more. There's much more to come. This is an operation that is going to continue for several days, one might say many days.''

Williams said the Pentagon said its policy is that ''we're not going to discuss deployment of forces until those forces are substantially in position, well on their way.''

The senior administration official who spoke of a possible blockade also said the United States remains concerned that Saudi Arabia could be attacked because Saddam's forces ''are in a position now where they could certainly attack with, we think, less than a day preparation.''

Asked if reports were true that U.S. troops were now within 7 miles of the Kuwaiti border, the official said, ''I can't tell you precisely but it wouldn't surprise me.''

The week-old Persian Gulf crisis is also causing a U.S. financial crunch.

Gasoline prices have already risen more than 12 cents a gallon, raising fears that the action will push the sluggish economy into recession.

Fitzwater said Bush planned to begin a three-week vacation as scheduled Friday at his seaside estate in Kennebunkport, Maine. He said Bush would monitor events from there with a bolstered travel staff.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - The dollar treaded water but remained mostly firm Thursday in New York trading as players, fatigued from days of volatility spawned by threats of Mideast warfare, stood by for further news.

Foreign exchange dealings were "choppy and frustrating" as the United States continued to build up ground, air and sea forces in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf region without incident, said one New York trader.

"The reality is we're sort of marking time, awaiting developments," said Valerie Walker, a currency adviser with Harris Trust and Savings Bank in New York. "It's very cautious trading." She said the dollar traded in an extremely narrow price range as participants settled for small profits and avoided taking risky positions.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.5955 German marks, up from 1.5925 late Wednesday, and at 149.75 Japanese yen, down from 149.85.

"Most of the news has all been digested as far as the Middle East situation is concerned," said chief trader Dominick Errichetti of French bank Societe Generale's New York branch.

Errichetti said the foreign-exchange market shrugged off Thursday's Treasury Department auction of 30-year bonds. Credit-market analysts said the auction went better than they had expected given current volatile market conditions.

The Treasury sold $10.3 billion of the 8 3/4 percent bonds an average price of $98.747 and average yield of 8.87 percent - the highest at-auction yield seen on a 30-year U.S. bond in more than a year.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3425 Swiss francs, up from 1.3385; 5.3525 French francs, up from 5.3380; and 1,166 Italian lire, up from 1,165. The British pound eased to $1.8680 from $1.8700.

In Europe, the dollar closed marginally lower in nervous trading against all major currencies but the lira.

Analysts said the dollar traded in very narrow ranges as buyers and sellers waited to see what would happen in the U.S.-Iraqi standoff.

"The dollar has done very little," said Kit Juckes, a currency economist with Warburg Securities in London. "The market is really quite quiet waiting to see how things develop." "Until there are any shots fired, I cannot see the dollar moving much in the short term," another analyst said.

Juckes and other analysts said they believe the dollar may be increasingly

replaced by the Swiss franc as the currency regarded by investors as a "safe haven" because of fears the U.S. economy may be weakening. "The Swiss franc has probably been the best performer because of its higher interest rates," Juckes said.

The dollar eased slightly in Frankfurt, at 1.5930 German marks vs. 1.5940 marks Wednesday, and was lower in Zurich, at 1.3405 Swiss francs vs. 1.3435. In London, the pound sterling moved up to $1.8710 from $1.8675.

The dollar softened in Paris, to 5.3435 French francs from 5.3480, and in Brussels, to 32.74 Belgian francs from 32.7775, but moved slightly higher in Milan to end at 1,166.90 Italian lire against 1,165.25.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar fell against the yen in quiet trading that reflected dealers' caution. The dollar closed at 149.68 yen, down from Wednesday's 150.

Gold closed higher in Zurich, at $384 an ounce vs. $383.10, and in London, at $385 an ounce vs. $382.25.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $386.25 an ounce, up from $383.25 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $385.80 an ounce, ahead from $383.20.

Silver closed lower in Zurich, at $4.85 an ounce compared with $4.87, but was unchanged in London at $4.87 an ounce.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.875 an ounce, up from $4.865. Comex silver also strengthened, to $4.857 an ounce from $4.843.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - U.S. crude-oil prices eased downward and foreign prices remained unchanged Thursday as quiet prevailed in the Mideast with Iraq electing to attend an Arab summit rather than make a feared military move against Saudi Arabia.

"In the absence of any bellicosity, the market kind of eased lower," said Peter Beutel, vice president of New York's Merrill Lynch Futures Inc. "Everyone is waiting until they see what (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein's next move is," the trader said.

"Iraq has not struck and the United States has not struck," observed Nauman Barakat, first vice president of Shearson Lehman Hutton's International Energy Desk in New York.

Traders awaited the outcome of an Arab summit meeting to give direction to

the market and a possible reaction by Iraq to the movement of American military forces into Saudi Arabia.

The United States began moving military forces into Saudi Arabia Wednesday in an effort to dissuade a possible Iraqi attack from its positions in occupied Kuwait. Saudi Arabia is the world's largest crude-oil exporter.

Iraq, which had not been expected to attend the Arab emergency summit in Cairo on an Arab solution to Saddam's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, decided to participate. Iraq announced Wednesday it had annexed its oil-rich Persian Gulf neighbor.

Scheduled to begin Thursday evening, the summit startup was postponed until Friday morning. Barakat viewed the delay and the decision of Iraq not only to attend the summit but send a high-level delegation as a positive development.

"The postponment of the Cairo meeting indicates there is some serious horse-trading going on," he said. "The Iraqis weren't going to send anyone, but now they're sending a delegation headed by Saddam's right-hand man, Izzat Abrihim," Barakat said.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for September delivery fell 29 cents on the day to $25.67 a barrel after trading as high as $26.60 a barrel earlier. It fell $2.35 to $25.96 a barrel Wednesday.

On the European cash markets, Dubai light, the key Mideast crude produced by the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and shipped mainly to the Far East, was unchanged from Wednesday at $21.80 a barrel.

It had fallen $3.95 Wednesday on reports that Saudi Arabia had agreed to raise its daily output by two million barrels to help make up for the 4.6-5 million barrels lost by the world embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent crude was unchanged from late Wednesday at $24.75 a barrel after losing $3.65 a barrel Wednesday.

Unleaded gasoline for September delivery, which nosedived 6.18 cents Wednesday, gained 0.21 cent to 76.42 cents a gallon on the Merc after trading as high as 78 cents a gallon. Beutel said gasoline prices were influenced by a report that Brazil was going to reduce its gasoline exports to the United States.

September heating oil, which dropped 5.01 cents Wednesday, lost a mere 0.36 cent to 69.77 cents a gallon. On the U.S. Gulf Coast cash market, prompt delivery WTI fell 25 cents to $25.70 a barrel.

Barakat said Merc crude prices moved lower earlier when rumors hit the trading floor that Iraq was moving troops toward its border with Turkey and had closed all its borders.

Joseph Tovey, a New York energy consultant, raised the possibility that Iraq could easily swing troops along its Turkish border down into Syria and gain a Mediterranean outlet for its oil exports. Syria, which sided with Iran during the eight-year Iran-Iraq war, closed down an oil pipeline from Iraq in 1982.

In Paris, an emergency meeting of the International Energy Agency of 21 oil-consuming industrialized nations concluded that current world oil supplies and expected production increases by countries such as Saudi Arabia and Venezuela were sufficient to offset losses from the embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports.

Venezeula said, however, that it would not raise its output without the approval of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

"We're not in a crisis situation," said U.S. Assistant Energy Secretary John Easton following the IEA meeting. "Practically all the countries reporting felt that stocks around the world and in their countries were adequate to meet the present situation."

In Washington, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said there was "no intention" at this time for the United States to draw from its Strategic Petroleum Reserve containing nearly 600 million barrels of crude.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - The government, in one of its most significant reports of the year, forecast Thursday a bumper corn crop of 7.85 billion bushels, up a strong four percent from last year, and a soybean crop of 1.84 billion bushels, down four percent.

The Agriculture Department also raised its estimate of the wheat crop to 2.7 billion bushels, an increase of seven million bushels from July's forecast that would make the harvest 33 percent larger than last year. It would be the third largest wheat crop ever, including a record 543 million bushels of spring wheat.

Corn, wheat and soybeans, the three major U.S. field crops, are the basis for much of the food consumed by Americans. Corn and soybeans are used in beef, pork, poultry and dairy production and also have food uses of their own. Wheat is used primarily for bread, rolls, pastries and other bakery products.

The August crop report contained the first official government estimates of the corn, soybean, sorghum, rice and cotton crops. The crops were worth $34 billion last year and represented 44 percent of all crop production.

But the bountiful crops were unlikely to have a direct impact on consumer food prices, an analyst said, because of the time needed to process the crops and the relatively small role crop prices play in food prices.

Food prices rose an unusually sharp 5.8 percent during 1989. An increase of three percent to five percent initially was forecast for this year, but sustained high meat prices were expected to force a revision.

Market prices for wheat were expected to average at least 50 cents a bushel below the price paid for last year's crop, thanks to an abundant crop that will allow some rebuilding of drought-depleted reserves. Soybean and corn prices were expected to hold steady or rise. Demand was forecast to exceed U.S. production, keeping supplies tight.

At 7.85 billion bushels, the corn crop would average 117.7 bushels an acre, compared to 116.2 last year. For the second year in a row, Iowa was tabbed as the No. 1 corn state with a likely crop of 1.57 billion bushels.

Soybean growers were projected to average 32.5 bushels an acre, compared to the 32.4 bushels harvested in last year's total crop of 1.93 billion bushels. Illinois, for the second year, was projected to lead the nation with a crop of 327.6 million bushels. The sorghum crop was forecast at 546.8 million bushels, down 11 percent from last year.

Soybean acreage is down five percent this year to 57.7 million acres. Corn acreage is up three percent to 74.4 million. At 77.3 million acres, wheat acreage is up one percent.

A wet spring delayed planting in the central states. Crops generally are in mostly good to fair condition nationwide, but development is lagging behind the normal rate in the Midwest, the heart of the corn and soybean crop.

"Late plantings in the Corn Belt have been offset by excellent growing conditions during July," the government said. "Dry conditions in the Southeastern states have reduced yields in most areas from the record levels of 1989."

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WARSAW, POLAND (AUG. 9) UPI - President Wojciech Jaruzelski will visit the United States in October at the invitation of President George Bush,

Jaruzelski's office said Thursday.

Spokesman Wlodzimierz Lozinski said the White House tentatively set the date of the visit for Oct. 11, but it may be changed because of the international situation caused by the Iraqi attack of Kuwait.

Rumors have been circulating in the capital that Jaruzelski might resign in September under growing social pressure. The planned U.S. visit has been seen as a denial of the rumors.

The Center Alliance, the political group pushing Solidarity founder Lech Walesa to run for president this fall, has urged Jaruzelski to step down and call early elections.

Democratic Action, which reflects the views of Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki has also called on Jaruzelski to resign, as have 100 members of Parliament who accuse him of hampering reforms and of being the last represenative of the former communist regime.

Jaruzelkski has not hidden his sympathy for communism.

He laid a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier on July 22, which marks the installation of the communist regime by Moscow in 1944.

Lozinski said that former U.S. ambassador John Davis passed on Bush' invitation to Jaruzelski in mid-July.

He said Jaruzelski will stay in Washington for one day and than will travel to New York and to one midwestern state.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 475.80, up 0.81 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.87	10.58
Anchor Fund Inv	15.61	16.56
Delaware Mutual	17.42	18.68
Fidelity Fund	17.31	17.31
Investors Mutual	11.25	11.85
Investors Stocks	18.81	19.80

Invest Select	8.30	8.74
IDS Equity Plus	9.43	9.93
Mass Inv Growth	9.12	9.83
Nicholas Fund	3.36	3.36
United Accumulated	6.62	7.23
United Income	18.06	19.74
Vanguard Wellington	16.75	16.75

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - British Petroleum Co. reported Thursday second-quarter earnings fell 21 percent from a year ago as a result of lower crude prices and a drop in chemicals profits.

The London-based company said second-quarter earnings declined to $478 million, or $1.07 an American Depositary Receipt, from $604 million, or $1.38 an ADR, in 1989's quarter.

ADRs are certificates issued by U.S. banks to ease trading in foreign securities and in converting them into foreign currencies.

Quarterly revenues rose to $12.2 billion from $12.0 billion in the 1989 period, the company said.

A drop in crude prices combined with a ''substantial'' decline in BP's chemicals results to lower overall income, the company said.

North Sea Brent crude prices averaged $15.95 a barrel during the quarter, considerably less than the $18.79 average of a year ago, according to BP.

Consequently, BP's earnings from exploration and production dropped to $479 million in the latest quarter from $638 million in the 1989 period. Chemicals experienced a bigger drop, to $65 million from $305 million.

BP said first-half earnings slipped 15.3 percent to $1.07 billion, or $2.42 an ADR, on revenues of $25.5 billion from 1989's $1.27 billion, or $2.72 an ADR, on revenues of $23.4 billion.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
KN Energy Inc	Q	.28	9-30	9-14

Louisiana Genl Svcs	Q	.19 1/4	11-15	10-19

Initial

United Healthcare Corp	A	.03	9-30	9-1

Resumed

Xtra Corp	Q	.18	8-31	8-20

Distribution

Interstate General A	Q	.20	9-1	8-21

Usual

Apex Mcpl Fund Inc	..	.0795	8-30	8-20
CPAC Inc	Q	.06	11-2	9-28
EIP Microwave Inc	Q	.03	9-28	x-9-13
Elbit Computers Ltd	Q	.06	9-17	8-26
Fla Employers Insur	Q	.07	8-31	8-15
Kerr Glass Mfg Corp	Q	.11	9-15	8-31
Lincoln Natl Corp	Q	.65	11-1	10-10
Maytag Corp	Q	.22 1/2	9-15	8-31
McDonald's Corp	Q	.08 1/2	9-18	8-31
MuniEnhanced Fund	..	.0669	8-30	8-20
MuniVest Fund Inc	..	.0609	8-30	8-20
Natl Commerce Bncorp	Q	.21	10-2	9-7
PaineWebber Group Inc	Q	.13	10-3	9-4
Pitt-Des Moines Inc	Q	.20	9-28	9-14
Putnam Global GIT	M	.13	9-4	8-24
Putnam Option IT II	Q	.27 1/2	8-31	8-20
Science Mgmt Corp	Q	.02 1/2	9-19	8-29
Southington Svgs Bank	..	.16	9-18	8-31
Superior Surgical Mfg	Q	.18	9-6	8-23
Taurus MuniCalif Hldgs	..	.0663	8-30	8-20
Taurus MuniNY Hldgs	..	.0687	8-30	8-20
Willamette Industries	Q	.40	9-14	8-27
World Income Fund Inc	..	.1121	8-30	8-20

x-Company corrected record date
A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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(AUG. 9) UPI - The White House says it's ''very satisfied'' with events in the Middle East in the past 24 hours. U-S troops are pouring into Saudi Arabia for the second straight day as Iraqi troops dig into newly annexed Kuwait.

Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis says he supports the actions of President Bush in the Middle East... but he called on his 1988 election

opponent to protect consumers from soaring energy prices. Dukakis said the government must do more than urge ''restraint'' by oil companies.

The International Energy Agency says global oil supplies and expected production increases will be enough to make up for the embargo against Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil. The 21-nation agency says there is NO need for it to draw on its oil reserves.

The White House says President Bush will protect troops stationed in Saudi Arabia against budget cuts that could occur on October 1st. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater admits, however, that the Persian Gulf crisis has forced the administration to re-assess its budget policy.

President Bush plans NOT to let the confrontation in the Persian Gulf spoil his vacation. Bush intends to leave the White House as scheduled tomorrow for three weeks in Kennebunkport, Maine.

Louisiana legislators today voted against convening a special session to try to over-ride Governor Buddy Roemer's veto of a tough anti-abortion law. The refusal could deal the death blow to the controversial measure.

South African police report that four days of riots and looting in the mixed-race townships of Port Elizabeth have left at least 32 people dead. They also say they are investigating why an officer shot and killed an infant during riots yesterday.

Israel successfully launched an Arrow missile today in the first test flight of the weapon. Israel Radio reports that the Arrow is being developed as a defense against short- and medium-range missiles like those in Iraqi armories.

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AUSTIN, TX (AUG. 9) UPI - If utilities in the Midwest and Northeast began using Texas' immense supplies of natural gas, daily oil imports from the Middle East could be cut by 160,000 barrels almost immediately, a member of the Texas Railroad Commission said Thursday.

Commissioner John Sharp outlined a four-point plan that will be presented to President Bush to ease the fuel-oil crisis now and in the future by using domestic natural gas supplies. The plan could immediately replace almost one-fourth of the nation's oil imports from Iraq and Kuwait, he said.

''While everyone else seems to be looking to other Arab nations to supply our national thirst for fuel oil, we believe the answer is literally under our noses - Texas natural gas,'' Sharp said at a Capitol news conference.

Texas produces about 6 trillion cubic feet of gas each year, about one-third of the nation's total supply, but huge reserves remain unused because of the reliance on imported oil.

The Railroad Commission, which regulates oil and gas production in Texas, has determined that the state has excess natural gas supplies of 1 billion cubic feet per day. Sharp said some of that gas could be used to replace fuel oil, cutting the nation's reliance on oil from the troubled Middle East.

Sharp said Kenneth Lay, a close friend of President Bush and chairman of Enron Corp., one of the nation's largest natural gas producers, is in Washington to present the White House and Administration officials with the Texas' plan for a natural gas switch-over.

The first part of the plan calls for the president to urge electric utility and industrial facilities that can switch to fuel oil to begin burning natural gas immediately. To make the switch, a facility must have dual-fuel capability and the pipeline capacity to transport gas.

''We have identified a number of facilities in the Northeast and Midwest that are now burning some 160,000 barrels per day of fuel oil, and they could make the switch tomorrow,'' Sharp said.

He added that the current average price for natural gas - $1.25 per million cubic fee - makes it ecomomically competitive with the price of crude oil, and that natural gas will be even more competitive as oil prices rise.

The three remaining parts of the plan focus on ways to avoid a future crisis. It calls for:

-Congress to give the president the authority to require fuel-switching to natural gas where it is possible in times of national emergency.

-The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, FERC, to expedite applications for new pipeline projects, some of which have been delayed for years in a tangle of bureaucratic red tap.

California and Florida, for example, have dual-fuel plants that now burn 180,000 barrels of fuel oil each day. These facilities could switch to natural gas but do not have the pipeline capacity to bring it it.

-Reinstatement of non-conventional fuels tax credit for tight sands gas, providing gas producers with the economic incentive to drill in high-cost, hard-to-get gas formations.

Sharp said he believed the plan is necessary because of the volatile situation in the Middle East and the fact the United States now imports more than half of its oil.

If (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein were to take over the Saudi oil industry, he would control 45 percent of the world's crude oil proved reserves and nearly 20 percent of world oil production,'' Sharp said. ''Obviously, this would destroy the economies of Western nations and imperil our own national security.''

Domestic natural gas supplies, on the other hand, will never have to be defended by expensive military action, and natural gas customers are largely removed from the sudden price shocks that accompany oil supply interruptions, he said.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - American Express Bank Ltd. has agreed to provide credit facilities totaling $90 million to Vetco Gray Inc., which is undertaking a major recapitalization, according to documents filed Thursday with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

American Express said in an Aug. 1 letter to Vetco Gray, included in the SEC filing, that its Singapore branch will syndicate the loan among a number of banks.

American Express' commitment to obtain the funding expires Oct. 31.

According to the American Express letter, the $90 million will include a short-term multi-currency overdraft and/or revolving-credit facility, which will be used to finance Vetco Gray's short-term borrowing requirements.

Another $30 million will be for the issuance of bid, performance, advance payment and other guarantees, and the final $40 million will be a term loan with multi-currency options.

The loan conditions state that a Vetco Gray initial public offering, to be underwritten by Lehman Bros. and Saloman Brothers Inc., must yield a net of at least $128 million, and Vetco Gray must also reduce its present term bank debt to $55 million.

Under the planned recapitalization, Vetco Gray has authorized a reverse stock split and plans to acquire from a single stockholder all of its outstanding Series A preferred stock for $96 million.

In addition, the company will purchase 1.59 million shares of common stock

from certain shareholders for $25 million.

Funds from the public stock offering, in which 9 million shares of common stock will be offered for $17 to $19 a share, will be used to repay existing debt.

Vetco Gray, based in Houston, designs and manufactures equipment used in offshore exploration and production by the oil and natural gas industry.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 9) UPI - Bobby Wadkins, who in his 17th year as a professional golfer still seeks his first American tournament triumph, escaped the terrors of Shoal Creek with a 4-under 68 Thursday to take a two-shot lead late in the first round of the PGA Championship.

Wadkins, who has labored in the shadow of his far more successful brother Lanny, birdied three of the last four holes while many of the game's big names saw the hard greens and high rough ruin their chances in the final major golf event of the year.

The only players left on the course with a chance to challenge Wadkins for the first-day lead were Fred Couples, who was 3-under through 16, and Mark O'Meara, who was 3-under through 12.

With howls of protests rising from players who struggled with the conditions at Shoal Creek, Wadkins duplicated his first-round effort at the 1987 PGA - when his opening day 68 gave him the lead. He eventually tied for seventh with a final-day 77.

Such has been typical for Wadkins, who often has led early in tournaments but whose best efforts on the PGA Tour have been a pair of second-place finishes.

Among those who had finished Thursday, Wadkins had a two-shot lead over Scott Verplank and Billy Mayfair, two of the world's best amateur golfers during the 1980s who still are trying to make their mark in the pro ranks.

Another shot back at 1-under 71 were Nick Faldo, Payne Stewart, Steve Pate Mike Reid, Brian Tennyson, Chip Beck and Tim Simpson.

Faldo, trying to become the second player in history to win three major professional championships in the same year, turned a potential high score into a 1-under total and admitted he had escaped potential disaster in his bid for his first PGA crown.

''I was struggling a little for a while,'' said Faldo, who won this year's

Masters and British Open and who missed getting into a playoff for the U.S. Open when his 15-foot putt at the 72nd hole lipped out. ''I'll just play as good as I can the rest of the week. It's as simple as that.''

Wayne Grady and former PGA champs Hal Sutton and Bob Tway were among those at even-par 72.

Some familiar names, however, had a disastrous day at Shoal Creek. Two-time U.S. Open champion Curtis Strange shot 79, as did all-time leading money-winner Tom Kite. Current U.S. Open title-holder Hale Irwin had a 77, course-designer Jack Nicklaus 78 and Arnold Palmer, after starting with two birdies on the opening three holes, slumped to an 81.

And although Simpson with his 71 survived many of the problems that brought down Strange, Kite and many others, he lambasted the way the PGA had set up the course.

''I don't want you to take it as whining,'' Simpson said. ''But if you go into that locker room you are going to hear some powerful complaining in there.

''The greens are much too firm. Great golf courses don't need gimmicks. All they have to do is water the greens thoroughly and they will be fine. There are some pretty high players telling them to change things.

''I don't mind the rough. If you hit it where you should hit it, then you should be rewarded.''

Although several players were able to make small dents in Shoal Creek's par of 72, the long, gnarly rough eventually exacted its toll on the majority.

''It's the hardest course I've ever played,'' said Mayfair, the 1987 U.S. Amateur champion who is in his second year as a professional. ''There are no trick shots out there. What you see is what you get. It's fair, but it's very hard.''

''The rough is very severe,'' added Faldo. ''I don't think the public wants to see the best players in the world just chop the ball out of the rough. Every shot is demanding.''

Mayfair birdied the first two holes, gave one back at the difficult fourth when he drove into the rough and traded a birdie at the par-5 sixth for a bogey at the par-4 ninth when he again found the rough.

His lone birdie on the back nine came at the par-4 14th when he hit a pitching wedge to within six feet.

''The greens were much faster today than they were in the practice rounds '' Mayfair said. ''And I sure wouldn't want to play in rough like this every week. But for a major championship I don't see anything wrong with it.''

Verplank after five years on the tour is still trying to fulfill the promise of his outstanding amateur days. He got to as low as 5-under through 14 holes but he bogeyed the par-4 15th and had to make a 20-foot putt just to salvage a double bogey at the par-5 17th.

''You hit one bad shot and that's that,'' said Verplank, who in 1985 became the first amateur in 31 years to win a PGA Tour event. ''I hit it so far into the trees at the 17th that I couldn't do a thing. I couldn't even get back to the fairway with my first shot. I was lucky to make a double bogey.''

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HONOLULU (AUG. 9) UPI - A federal judge, saying he did not want to upset U.S.-West German relations, refused Thursday to block the transfer of chemical weapons from West Germany to tiny Johnston Island for incineration.

U.S. District Judge David Ezra denied the request for a temporary restraining order sought by Greenpeace USA and two native Hawaiian organizations, but set Aug. 20 as the date for a hearing on a preliminary injunction.

The groups - as well as some Pacific nations - said the weapon shipments pose a threat to the Pacific environment, and argue there are safer ways to dispose of the agents.

Government attorneys maintain that Johnston, a tiny atoll some 700 miles southwest of Hawaii, is the safest place for the weapons and that everything possible has been done to make the transfer safe.

The Johnston Atoll Chemical Agent Disposal System, or JACADS, began test operations on the U.S. possession last month, successfully incinerating a batch of chemical weapons, authorities said. The island is inhabitated only by military personnel.

In denying the request, Ezra noted that President Bush had promised West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl the chemical munitions would be removed from German soil by the end of the year and Congress had agreed the weapons should be destroyed.

He also noted that West German courts had rejected a challenge by some

German citizens to movement of the weapons.

''We must not forget that the presence of these weapons on German soil for many years was at the sufferance of the German people,'' Ezra said in his oral ruling.

Now, Ezra said, West Germany had decided ''that the risks of movement are tolerable and justified to meet the greater goal of removal of these weapons from their soil.''

Ezra also said that overturning the decision to move the weapons would send ''conflicting signals'' to the German government and people. He said ''events unfolding in the Middle East'' had demonstrated the importance of maintaining commitments made between states.

It would be ''irresponsible and dangerous'' to frustrate the commitment made by the president ''except in the most extreme circumstances,'' Ezra said.

The judge also said he was not convinced that the National Environmental Policy Act applies to the movement of the weapons within Germany, although he said it definitely applied once they reach the island.

He noted that stopping the movement of the chemical munitions now that they are located in multiple locations in Germany poses its own dangers. The weapons are to be shipped from Germany between Sept. 1 and 30, he said.

Ezra said the plaintiffs had expressed generalized fears of catastrophe but had not cited specific dangers posed by the movement of the weapons.

The judge said the only way to address the dangers of moving the weapons would be to destroy the chemical weapons where they are, and he said the German government has said that would be unacceptable.

Greenpeace attorney Skip Spaulding said he remained convinced the Army has broken the law and hoped to succeed in getting a preliminary injunction.

Spaulding said it was difficult to cite specific possible threats because the Army has kept much material secret. The plaintiffs expect to be able to find out more through the discovery process before the next hearing, he said.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - President Bush signed a bill Thursday raising the debt limit from $3.122 trillion to $3.195 trillion through Oct. 2 to permit the Treasury Department to continue issuing securities.

The president had asked for an increase of the debt to $3.444 trillion to permit the government to meet its obligations through June 30, l991, but went along with the short term boost approved by Congress.

The debt ceiling was raised after treasury officials said the government would have to default on its obligations after Aug. 15 in the absence of an increase.

Bush also singed into law legislation temporarily extending the Defense Production Act.

The one month extension to Sept. 10 was passed to keep the law in effect after Aug. 10, thus permitting more time to consider amendments and to pass a permanent reauthorization.

The Act authorizes management of the national defense industrial base in peacetime and prepares for industrial mobilization in event of a national emergency.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - The success rate for economic sanctions like the embargo the United Nations imposed on Iraq this week for invading Kuwait has not been very high in the past, economists and analysts said Thursday.

But they noted that Iraq, financially strapped, dependent on revenues from oil exports and heavily reliant on imported foodstuffs, machinery and weapons, could feel the pinch of a tight Western blockade.

Economic and strategic specialists suggested that the Bush administration, to oblige Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to leave Kuwait short of driving him out by force of arms, must garner unprecedented world support.

Yet even total economic isolation and deprivation may not sway Saddam, whose tightly controlled populace endured a devastating war of attrition with Iran and who might stake all to keep Kuwait, his strategic prize.

Several specialists said the cooperation of Arab nations - in particular countries bordering on Iraq - could be crucial. But obtaining this could be problematic given the shifting sands of Arab politics.

''The economic measures will hurt Iraq, especially the loss of oil revenues,'' said Chibli Mallat, a Middle East expert and lecturer on Islamic law with the University of London's School of Oriental and African Studies.

''The question is whether the pain Iraq will suffer because of sanctions can be ... counterbalanced by the acquisition of Kuwait,'' He said. Kuwait not only is rich in oil but provides Iraq better Gulf access.

''As far as the sanctions alone forcing them to pull out of Kuwait, I think no,'' Mallat concluded.

But others said sanctions could make a difference, though U.N. measures did not have much effect on Rhodesia or South Africa when they were ordered, and U.S. sanctions against Iran in the hostage crisis were ineffective.

''It's a pretty impressive list of things that should increase pressure as time goes on,'' said Brookings Institution senior fellor Edward Fried, a White House adviser in the Carter administration. ''Given that Iraq's position is none too strong to begin with, I would think the pressure internally would increase.''

Boding particularly well for the blockade's success was the speed with which the European Community, Japan and other nations, including the Soviet Union, backed it, a ''dividend'' of improved East-West relations.

But Fried, a former deputy assistant secretary of state and National Security Council staff member, said the success of the embargo could depend on whether the Arab nations around Iraq respect or bypass it.

The United Nations resolved this week that all nations should bar imports of Iraqi products - chiefly oil - and cut off all ''economic resources,'' including foodstuffs. Exceptions were medical supplies and humanitarian food shipments to relieve civilian suffering - not shortages.

''I think the food aspect is very important,'' said a U.S. official, who spoke on condition he not be named, ''but it's very early days yet.'' He admitted some nations might interpret the humanitarian clause more broadly.

International economist Nigel Rendell of the James Capel investment bank in London said loss of oil revenues might hurt the Iraqis most.

''They have fairly large supplies of food and raw materials - about six months supplies, according to our estimates,'' he said. But with a foreign debt of up to $80 billion, Iraq will sorely miss accrual of oil dollars.

Iraq has few friends now, but U.S. enemies like Libya, North Korea and others might make a point of helping it, said Charles Perry, director of studies at the Institute for Foreign Policy Analysis in Cambridge, Mass.

''If (Saddam) is able to end-run this by linking up with those few critical contacts,'' Perry said, ''he may be able to outlast us.''

Perry said the U.S. administration had to build a solid coalition of nations to prevent backslipping, as economic pressure could be the only way short of a war to persuade Saddam to seek a face-saving way out of Kuwait.

Only sustained sanctions will faze Saddam, Perry said. ''If they break down in a month, six months from now, we're facing an ineffective embargo.''

As economic pressure mounts, Saddam could find himself threatened by internal dissent, Evgueni Novikov said. The former Arabist with the central committee of the Soviet Communist Party, Novikov defected to the United States and now teaches at the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, R.I.

''They really import a lot,'' he said. ''If the embargo is a total embargo it will be very difficult for them to survive for a long time.''

He discounted the possibility of a popular revolt, having witnessed, on four trips to Baghdad as a Soviet adviser, the efficacy of Saddam's secret police. But the Iraqi officer corps might bridle if they thought Saddam was veering towards war with the West to break the blockade.

''If the military will be involved in the fight with Americans, British (and) French with their professional forces, in this case they will try to overthrow Saddam Hussein as quickly as possible,'' Novikov said. ''They wouldn't love to sacrifice their lives for his ambition to be the new Saladin of the Arab world.''

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 10) UPI - A reorganization plan for Apex Oil Co. gained U.S. Bankruptcy Court confirmation Thursday, clearing the way for Apex to emerge from bankruptcy proceedings that limited company operations for more than two years.

''This is great news,'' said Tony Novelly, president of the Clayton, Mo.-based Apex. ''This allows Apex to keep moving forward.''

The joint plan filed in conjunction with 53 debtor affiliates provides unsecured creditors with a total of up to $60 million in cash and debt securities.

Apex filed for Chapter 11 federal bankruptcy protection from creditors Dec. 24, 1987.

At that time, primary bank lenders began foreclosure proceedings. After the filing, the banks urged the court to liquidate Apex to pay $550 million the banks claimed they were owed, Apex officials said.

The court agreed with Apex that the company should not be liquidated in a distress sale, which would have been for the sole benefit of the bank lenders.

''All of us at Apex knew that our business was viable and worth a great deal more than the amount of the bank lenders' claims,'' Novelly said.

The lenders' secured claims were satisfied in November 1988, when the company sold the refining and retail marketing assets of Clark Oil and Refining Corp.

The purchaser, ADC Acquisition Corp., paid about $1 billion to purchase those assets. The subsidiary of Canada's Horsham Corp. also assumed the banks' secured claims.

The Apex plan of reorganization provides unsecured creditors with a total of up to $60 million in cash and debt securities.

Under the plan, unsecured creditors will receive: up to $20 million in cash; $20 million in seven-year Series A notes secured by $20 million in Apex assets to be sold over the next two years; and $20 million in 10-year Series B secured notes guaranteed by Clark Oil Trading Co., a portion of whose profits will supplement payment of the notes.

Apex, which operated on a profitable basis throughout the Chapter 11 proceedings, will reorganize around its oil trading, oil terminal and shipping operations.

It is anticipated, Apex said, that the confirmed plan will take effect before the end of August, as soon as loan documents are finalized with Apex's post-confirmation lenders.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) UPI - President Bush won't permit the biggest U.S. military operation since the Vietnam War to cancel his three-week summer vacation in New England, which is to begin Friday.

''Life goes on. You got to keep moving,'' Bush told reporters Thursday as he left the Oval Office. ''You can't stay in one place all the time.''

The president, joined by family and friends, intends to depart the White House at about noon EDT Friday for a 25-day stay at his seaside estate in

Kennebunkport, Maine.

Press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Bush never gave serious consideration to canceling or even shortening the annual family gathering. But he said would get daily briefings on the Persian Gulf crisis from a bolstered travel staff.

Fitzwater said Thursday that the briefings ''would probably be'' in the morning and evening. In between, the athletic 66-year-old president is expected to enjoy a daily regimen of jogging, tennis, golf, boating or fishing.

Asked if Bush was concerned about public perception - being shown on the evening news hitting a golf ball while American soldiers try out gas masks - Fitzwater said: ''No.''

''The fact is that the president will be conducting the business of the presidency at Kennebunkport, just as he does every year and every vacation period.''

He said Bush would likely return to Washington one day next week for an update on the U.S. military operation that may eventually have up to 50,000 troops in Saudi Arabia to counter any more Iraqi aggression.

''Our forces are in Saudi Arabia on a defensive basis,'' Fitzwater said. ''They are not involved in conflict, and there's not the need for any kind of minute-by-minute or hour-by-hour update,'' Fitzwater said.

Moreover, he said, ''we believe that the (White House) communications system is excellent for maintaining liaison with anyone in Washington or around the world.''

This is the second time in eight months that Bush will go on vacation during a major military operation.

Last winter, during the U.S. invasion of Panama that involved more than 20,000 Marines, Bush went on an 11-day holiday vacation to Camp David, Md. his adopted home-state of Texas and then to Alabama.

He did interrupt the trips, however, to get a Christmas Eve briefing at the Pentagon, and to visit wounded soldiers at two military hospitals in San Antonio on the morning of New Year's Eve.

''Look, I don't make any cover,'' Bush said during that vacation. ''I'm going to be enjoying myself and I think the American people understand that. I've worked pretty hard all year long.''

''So I'll keep this path and I hope it is correct.''

During his 25-day vacation in Maine, Bush will certainly have some work. Besides monitoring developments in the Persian Gulf, he will continue efforts to reach agreement with Congress on a new deficit-cutting budget.

He also plans to attend a couple of GOP fund-raisers in New England, and make a quick trip to Baltimore to address a convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

But mostly it will be play in his beloved Kennebunkport.

In his 66 years, Bush has failed to visit Kennebunkport just one year. That was during World War II when was overseas as a Navy combat pilot.

The president is to wrap up this vacation and return to Washington on Sept. 3, Labor Day.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - Today's decision by the United Nations to nullify Iraq's annexation of Kuwait will NO doubt headline a list of topics Arab leaders will discuss tomorrow at the re-scheduled Cairo emergency summit. The summit was pushed back one day to allow Arab leaders more time to travel to Egypt. The summit will include delegations from both Iraq and Kuwait. The last-ditch diplomatic effort comes as U-S ground and air forces continue to pour into Saudi Arabia to fortify their position to repel a possible Iraqi attack.

U-S intelligence reports say even more Iraqi troops are heading to Kuwait. Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams says the Iraqi military is consolidating its strength in Kuwait by beefing up ground and air forces. He says reports indicate that Iraqi forces are in a defensive position but cautions that they are capable of taking the offensive. He says there has been NO independent confirmation, however, that Iraq is massing troops on its border with Turkey.

France says it plans on immediately reinforcing its naval forces in the Persian Gulf and will send in additional arms and technicians to help defend Saudi Arabia from a possible invaders. The move does NOT necessarily suggest that France will formally join a U-S-led multi-national defense of the region.

A pilot accused of being drunk on the job testified in Minneapolis today that he went into treatment for drinking after the disputed incident in March. Northwest Airlines pilot Norman Prouse said he'd been a heavy drinker ever since his days as a Marine pilot in Vietnam... and he finally admitted it. On trial with two fellow crew members... Prouse admitted to

falling out of his chair while drinking the night before the flight in question.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 9) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday the basic U.S. money supply, narrowly defined under the name of M1, rose $2.0 billion in the latest reporting week. The broader aggregates M2 and M3 also rose in the period.

M2 increased by $0.3 billion and M3 increased by $0.2 billion.

M1, which is made up of cash, checking accounts and NOW accounts - money that is available for immediate spending - rose to a seasonally adjusted average of $809.8 billion in the week ended July 30 from a revised $807.8 billion the week before.

Over the latest 13 weeks, M1 averaged $808.2 billion, a 1.8 percent rate of increase from the previous 13 weeks, the Fed reported.

The broader M2 measure averaged an estimated $3,270.4 billion in the latest week, up from a revised $3,270.1 billion. M2 includes M1, plus passbook savings, small time deposits including money market deposit accounts, consumer money market mutual funds and certain other short-term assets.

M3, which includes M2 plus large time deposits, repurchase agreements longer than one day at banks and thrifts and institutional money market funds, averaged $4,056.8 billion in the latest week, up from a revised $4,056.6 billion, the Fed said.

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#90221u2254 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - It's make-or-break time for the space probe Magellan. The spacecraft... launched by the shuttle Atlantis 15 months ago... is on course for a rocket firing tomorrow to put it into orbit around the planet Venus. Engineers expect NO problems. But if something goes wrong... the probe would sail past Venus... NOT to return to it for 100 years. If all goes well... Magellan will map 90 percent of the planet's clouded surface.

A California superior court judge today reduced the bail for actor Marlon Brando's son from 10-Million to two-Million dollars. Christian Brando also surrendered his passport as a condition for his release in Santa Monica, California. He's expected to be freed pending trial for the murder of his half-sister's boyfriend.

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#90221u2284 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

KALAMAZOO, MICH. (AUG. 10) UPI - The Kellogg Co. has filed suit against Nabisco Brands Inc., an operating company of RJR Nabisco, accusing it of copying its new bite-sized shredded wheat.

''That Nabisco should wait for 89 years and a competitive challenge from Kellogg before manufacturing its own unsugared, fortified shredded wheat biscuit is itself suspicious,'' the suit filed in U.S. District Court states.

Kellogg claims it has learned that Nabisco set out to copy both the ''features and marketing strategy'' behind Kellogg's new cereal.

Kellogg officials said the company has been preparing since June to put its new Whole Grain Shredded Wheat on the market this month under the claim that it is ''very simply, the most nutritious shredded wheat you can buy.''

A spokesman for Nabisco Brands, however, Thursday dismissed Kellogg's nutritional claim and the lawsuit.

''The Kellogg's suit is totally without merit and in a fact is a reaction to Nabisco's own threat of legal action,'' said Mark Gutsche from Nabisco Brands' New Jersey headquarters. ''Nabisco is absolutely confident that Kellogg's will be stopped from confusing customers that its new cereal is the most nutritious shredded wheat.

The Kellogg cereal purportedly contains 33 percent more dietary fibre, more thiamine, riboflavin, niacin, iron, vitamins B6 and B12, folic acid, magnesium and zinc than the vintage shredded wheat marketed by Nabisco Brands, plus it would contain no sugar or salt.

However, Gutsche claimed that Nabisco's cereal - a fortified shredded wheat cereal - was the most nutritious.

RJR/Nabisco notified Kellogg by fax July 27 that it also had developed a more nutritious shredded wheat with nearly identical nutritional value as the Kellogg product, which would be on the market in mid-August.

Kellogg officials said they had been sending samples and promotional materials to test markets in Buffalo, N.Y., Erie, Pa., northern Montana and all of Oregon and Washington state.

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#90221u2287 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - Regulators Thursday closed First National Bank of Corpus Christi, bringing to 71 the number of bank failures in Texas this year. Nationally, 116 banks have failed so far this year.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. said First National, with assets of $127.9 million, will be taken over by First City, Texas of Corpus Christi bank.

First City will assume $120.8 million in 19,300 deposit accounts of the failed bank and pay the FDIC a purchase premium of $2.5 million. It also will purchase $90 million of the failed bank's assets.

The FDIC will advance $31.9 million to the assuming bank as part of the transaction.

The failed bank's eight offices were slated to reopen Friday as branches of First City and its depositors will automatically become depositors of the new bank, regulators said.

Last year, 133 banks failed in Texas and 206 in the nation.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - Hot, dry winds are sweeping flames across Oregon and Idaho in the worst of a rash of fires in the West. Weather officials issued ''red flag warnings'' for sections of those states and parts of California Idaho, Wyoming and Montana. Forecasts call for more dry lightning strikes and low humidity levels, which make for prime fire conditions. More firefighters are heading for Burns, Oregon, where a blaze is closing in.

Attorneys working on behalf of a 12-year-old Illinois boy stricken with leukemia took their court battle to the state's Supreme Court today in an attempt to force his twin half-brothers to undergo a test for a possible bone-marrow transplant. The mother of the twins has refused to let the three-year-olds be tested for the procedure.

Galveston Bay in Texas re-opened for shrimping today almost two weeks after a costly oil spill. But some state officials question whether the clean-up is good enough. The bay was closed to all fishing after a Greek tanker collided with three barges and spilled 700-thousand gallons of crude oil. A shipping assocation in the area says the partly-closed Houston ship channel should be fully re-opened for traffic.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission announced today the recall of 11 different types of electric-current converters and four varieties of toys. The converters are imported from Taiwan under the labels ''Rocket,'' ''Seven Star,'' ''Saiko'' and ''Step Up, Step Down.'' The toys- two

trains, a set of dolls and a motorized mouse- are sold by Missouri's House of Lloyd Incorporated. Consumers are advised to return the items for a full refund.

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#90221u2558 08/09/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 9) UPI - The Pentagon reports that Iraq is sending in new troops to reinforce the ones already holding Kuwait. About 50-thousand Iraqi troops are said to be on the move, joining the 120-thousand who invaded the country. The Pentagon says the Iraqi troops in Kuwait ''seem to be in defensive posture.'' One Pentagon official says ''They are working to hold on to what they've acquired.''

As Iraqi troops dig in in Kuwait, the Iraqi government announced that it would send a delegation to the emergency Arab League summit in Cairo. That meeting was originally set for today, but was pushed back until tomorrow morning to allow delegates from Yemen and Tunisia to attend. Egyptian President Mubarak is expected to present a proposal that would call for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

The judge in the New York jogger trial told the jury today that it is NOT necessary for a parent to be present when police question a minor. In reply to a question by the jury... Justice Thomas Galligan said police may question a minor as long as they try to notify the parent. The jury is in its first day of deliberating rape and attempted murder charges against three teen-agers for an attack on a woman in Central Park last year.

Peru's new government today freed the exchange rate, lifted price controls and raised the price of gasoline by nearly three-thousand percent. The changes are part of a drastic economic austerity program. Police patrolled with automatic weapons to keep order in the capital, Lima. But four bombs exploded in the Andean city of Ayacucho ... center of a guerrilla rebellion. NO one was reported hurt.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - A Cambodian resistance leader today said Vietnam might stiffen its opposition to a political settlement of its war in Cambodia in talks with the United States this week. The United States last month announced it was reversing policy and would hold talks with Vietnam. In Bangkok, Thailand, today... a military resistance commander fighting the Vietnamese-backed Cambodian government expressed doubt that the U-S plan would make Vietnam more flexible.

Louisiana's legislature today voted against a special session which would have considered the nation's toughest anti-abortion bill. The move appears

to rule out the measure's chance of passing this year. Legislative leaders say more than half of the lawmkers voted against a special session that could have cost thousands of dollars a day. The bill would ban all abortions except for some pregnancies from rape or incest.

A team of U-S, Soviet and Canadian scientists has discovered indications that a large Soviet lake could be in the process of becoming an ocean dividing the Asian continent. The team found huge vents drawing heat from the earth's core at the bottom of Siberia's Lake Baikal - the first time such a formation has been discovered in fresh water. But the scientists add that it will be Millions of years before the lake develops into an ocean.

U-S citizens are worrying more about what they eat, but how much they worry depends on where they live. A Roper Organization Poll says 18 percent of those surveyed abstain from using salt, and 41 percent try to avoid foods high in cholesterol. But the study showed that on average, New Englanders are twice as likely to be concerned about their diet than are people in the South.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - The Pentagon says an additional 50-thousand Iraqi troops are making their way to Kuwait. A defense spokesman says the armored and infantry units appear to be ''working to hold on'' to territory gained in last week's invasion of Kuwait.

Arab leaders have begun arriving in Cairo for tomorrow's emergency summit. Observers say Egyptian President Mubarak will use the occasion to press Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait and also to urge for an Arab security force to go to Kuwait.

Several U-S airlines say the crisis in the Middle East is forcing them to revamp their fares. Northwest and Continental announced 10-percent price hikes... while United, Delta and U-S-Air have limited their increases to five-point-three percent.

Four western states are combating a spate of wildfires that have destroyed roughly 200-thousand acres of land. The worst fires are in Oregon and Idaho... but officials in California, Nevada, Montana and Wyoming are on guard because of dry conditions that are ideal for fire.

Peru's new president today announced stringent measures to deal with his nation's deteriorating economy. Among the measures detailed by President Alberto Fujimori are a three-thousand percent increase of gas prices and an end to price supports for milk and bread.

Liberia's civil war was turned up a notch today as forces loyal to rebel leader Charles Taylor overran the West German and Nigerian embassies. Taylor's troops also told the Guinean ambassador to leave the embattled country.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - Police in suburban Albany, New York, say one man is dead and another wounded after the two argued about money. Craig Pettinichi fatally shot himself after wounding his boss at the district headquarters of Radio Shack.

A federal judge in Honolulu today refused to impose a temporary restraining order that would have blocked the transfer of chemical weapons from West Germany to a South Pacific island. The matter will be the subject of a preliminary hearing August 20th.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami today predicted that the fifth tropical storm of the season will NOT last through the weekend. Tropical Storm Edouard was located about 105 miles north of the Azores Islands.

Continental Airlines Holdings announced today that Frank Lorenzo will sell most of his investment in the company in an effort to bolster the troubled carrier's image. Lorenzo will step down as the company's chief executive officer and chairman.

Environmentalists today urged the automobile industry to make more fuel efficient cars. A spokesman for the Sierra Club says continued refusal to produce more efficient cars will make the United States vulnerable to-what he called- ''trigger-happy nuts'' such as Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein

Actor Marlon Brando today had harsh words for the lawyer prosecuting his son on a murder charge. After Christian Brando's bail was reduced from 10-Million dollars to two-Million dollars, his father accused the prosecutor of using the case perhaps to advance ''political aspirations.''

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(AUG. 9) UPI - The Pentagon reports that its intelligence sources say Iraq is sending 50-thousand new troops into Kuwait to bolster the 120-thousand troops already there. Pentagon officials say the troops ''seem to be in defensive posture,'' but warn that ''Iraqi troops are still capable of offensive action.'' Other defense sources say the U-S military deployment to Saudi Arabia could eventually grow to 50-thousand troops.

Stock prices in New York and Europe regained their balance today in response to the continuing crisis in the Middle East. Trading volume was moderate in both Europe and New York, but the Dow Jones recorded its second straight 24-point gain, to 27point-91. Stock analysts say the mood of investors remains cautious and watchful, but NO longer is marked by the anxiety immediately following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

A federal judge in Hawaii decided today NOT to issue a temporary restraining order that would have halted the shipment of U-S chemical weapons from West Germany to a Pacific atoll incinerator. U-S District Judge David Ezra said he did NOT want to disrupt U-S-West German relations. He will consider the issue again when he holds a hearing on whether to issue a preliminary injunction August 20th.

The U-S Centers for Disease Control issued some optimistic news about AIDS. The C-D-C says a program begun in 1987 by the National Institute on Drug Abuse appears to be reducing the spread of AIDS. The program recruited former drug abusers to warn present users about the risks of taking intravenous drugs and UNprotected sex.

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(AUG. 9) UPI - The Environmental Protection Agency today ordered an 80 percent cut in the amount of sulfur in diesel fuel during the next three years. The new rule will likely add about two cents a gallon to the cost of the fuel... which is heavily used by trucks, buses and trains. But the E-P-A promises the move will virtually eliminate black diesel smoke... cutting out 90 percent of the particles that can stay in the respiratory system and cause health problems.

President Bush signed a bill today to raise the federal debt limit by 73-BILLION dollars through October 2nd. That allows the Treasury Department to continue issuing securities. The president had asked for a much higher, longer-term increase... but went along with the short-term boost approved by Congress. The White House said Bush would also order U-S troops sent to Saudi Arabia EXEMPT from possible automatic budget cuts.

The Texas Commissioner of Health today ordered Galveston Bay re-opened to shrimping as of midnight tonight... implying a July 28th oil spill is sufficiently cleaned up. But state land and water commissioners questioned whether the clean-up should be strengthened instead. Land Commissioner Garry Mauro called it ''outrageous'' that a team to put oil-eating microbes in the bay was sent home this morning.

Special interest groups had state lawmakers today right where they wanted them. Nearly two-thousand state representatives are gathered in Nashville, Tennesee, for the National Conference of State Legislatures. At their

hotel... lobbyists gave away weinermobile whistles, anti-tax T-shirts and keychains. As Illinois Representative Lee Daniels said... ''If this offends anyone... just think what happens every day in state capitols.''

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LINCOLN, NEB. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - A team of truck drivers based in Lincoln for CF Motor Freight (CF) has set a company record for safe driving excellence by completing a stretch of more than 10 million miles without an accident while moving freight through Nebraska and neighboring states.

The recent milestone represents the collective accident-free driving performance of 183 long-haul drivers who operate out of the company's Lincoln relay terminal. The record was accomplished over a six-month period of driving on highways and in cities throughout Nebraska and the surrounding states, according to Rick Paulus, Lincoln relay terminal manager.

''This is a tremendous safety record for these drivers and for CF Motor Freight,'' Paulus said. ''These Lincoln drivers have demonstrated that they are among the safest transport operators in the country.''

The Lincoln CF Motor Freight drivers broke a record of 7.6 million accident-free miles set recently by a group of the company's drivers in Richfield, Ohio.

The Lincoln operation is part of CF Motor Freight's Kansas City division, which encompasses 26 freight terminals and provides service to Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri and Kansas. The company employs approximately 1,000 people in the operating division and handles 1.5 million pounds of freight per day throughout the region.

Through its freight-flow system of 697 terminals and 22,000 employees, CF Motor Freight serves virtually every business address in the United States and Canada, including Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico. The company is based in Palo Alto, Calif.

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DENVER (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - United Artists Entertainment Co. (UAE) Friday announced revenue for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $355.1 million.

Operating income before depreciation and amortization (cash flow) was $96.7 million.

Interest and additional amortization and depreciation expense relating to the merger with United Cable Television Corp. (UCTC) in 1989 contributed to a net loss of $9.7 million, or 7 cents per share applicable to common shareholders for the second quarter.

For the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, revenue was $689.6 million. Operating income before depreciation and amortization (cash flow) was $186.8 million for the like period, with a net loss of $46.1 million, or 33 cents per share applicable to common shareholders.

On May 25, 1989, United Artists Communications and United Cable Television were merged into a new entity, United Artists Entertainment. The results of operations for UCTC are included in UAE's results from that date forward.

Cable television revenue increased to $184.5 million during the second quarter compared to $107.4 million for the period ended June 30, 1989. Cable operating expenses were $99.4 million during the second quarter, compared with $55.9 million for the like period last year, while cash flow grew from $51.9 million to $85.1 million.

UAE owns or manages 86 cable television systems serving approximately 2.7 million subscribers. The company also owns or manages approximately 2,600 motion picture screens in 609 locations.

UAE common stock is traded on NASDAQ's National Market Trading System under the symbols UAECA and UAECB. Rights to put UAE common stock also trade under the symbol TCOMR and are a security of Tele-Communications Inc. UAE is the largest publicly traded affiliate of TCI.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Health Care Property Investors Inc. (NYSE: HCP) Friday announced a purchase and lease transaction in which Health Care Property Investors acquired two long term care facilities for an aggregate acquisition price of approximately $11 million.

Concurrently with the acquisitions, Health Care Property Investors leased the facilities to affiliates of The Cardinal Group of Louisville, Ky., on a long term basis. The facilities comprise 337 beds in Indiana with occupancies of 95 percent or more.

The Cardinal Group operates 22 long term care facilities with 2,000 beds in Kentucky, North Carolina, Indiana and Michigan and has over 14 years of experience in operating long term care facilities.

Health Care Property Investors is an equity-oriented real estate investment trust that invests directly or through joint ventures in health care related facilities including long term care facilities, acute care and rehabilitation hospitals, psychiatric hospitals, substance abuse recovery centers, congregate care living facilities and medical office buildings.

The company currenty owns, directly or through partnership interests, 144 properties in 30 states.

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Kenneth G. Roath or James G. Reynolds, 213/473-1990

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Guy F. Atkinson Company of California (NASDAQ:ATKN) Friday reported second quarter 1990 net income of $1.2 million, or 14 cents per share, on revenue of $258 million.

This compares with a net loss of $20.2 million, or $2.30 per share, on revenue of $205 million for the second quarter of 1989.

For the first six months of 1990, Atkinson reported net income of $1.6 million, or 18 cents per share, on revenue of $447 million, compared with a net loss of $26.5 million, or $3.02 per share, on revenue of $398 million for the six-month period in 1989.

The company's backlog of uncompleted contracts totaled $907 million as of June 30, 1990, compared with $680 million as of June 30, 1989.

''The second quarter marked the return to profitability for our construction operations. Construction profits in the quarter were largely due to the settlement of disputes and resulting cost recoveries which have exceeded management's earlier estimates.

''While overall results from our construction segment are improving, they are not, quite frankly, occurring as rapidly as we would like,'' stated Thomas J. Henderson, chairman and chief executive officer. ''Our

diversified operations continue to be profitable, although at reduced levels when compared to 1989.''

Guy F. Atkinson Company of California is a diversified corporation providing construction and related engineering services worldwide. The company's diversified operations include manufacturing, industrial pipe supply, and oil and gas exploration and development.

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WILMINGTON, CALIF. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Vector Aeromotive Corp. (NASDAQ:VCAR(D)) Friday announced the temporary postponement of its 1-1/2 million unit offering, previously filed on June 18, 1990.

The postponement was agreed to mutually by Vector Aeromotive's management and Commonwealth Associates, the company's underwriter. The offering is currently expected to take place some time in late September 1990.

''The decision to postpone the offering was made for several reasons,'' said Gerald A. Wiegert, Vector Aeromotive's chairman and chief executive officer.

''Recent international events have created an environment of volatility and uncertainty in securities markets throughout the world. We believe, as do our investment bankers, that this temporary situation has resulted in the development of a justifiably cautious attitude on the part of all investors.

''At the same time, one of our major market makers recently commenced liquidation, and administration of its client accounts has been assumed by the Securities Investor Protection Corp. (SIPC). We are pleased that Commonwealth Associates remains committed to seeing that this offering is executed on a timely basis, in a manner that is sensitive to market conditions beyond our control,'' said Wiegert.

Vector Aeromotive Corp. is headquartered in Wilmington, near the Port of Los Angeles.

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BOULDER, Colo. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - EXABYTE Corp. (NASDAQ:EXBT) in its recent 10-Q filing for the second quarter, disclosed that it currently expects third-quarter sales to substantially exceed the sales of $23.9 million for the comparable period of 1989, but to decline from the level of the second quarter of 1990.

Specific factors affecting third-quarter sales include excess inventory at certain customers, seasonal slowness in the European market and a general softening in the computer industry. The company also currently expects that net income for the third quarter of 1990 will be more than that of the comparable period of last year, but less than that of the second quarter.

EXABYTE is not aware of any other reason for the recent weakness in the stock price.

EXABYTE previously reported net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $8 million, or 38 cents per share. Net income for the comparable period in the previous year was $2.3 million, or 13 cents per share. Second-quarter revenues increased by 151 percent to $46.3 million from $18.5 million for the same period last year.

EXABYTE develops, manufactures and markets high-capacity 8mm cartridge tape subsystems which are used primarily with workstations, network file servers and minicomputers.

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Research Industries Corp. announced Friday that it has entered into an agreement to acquire the remaining 20 percent of its 80 percent-owned Research Medical Inc. subsidiary.

The boards of directors of both corporations have approved the proposed transaction after obtaining a third party valuation of the medical subsidiary.

Pursuant to a long-standing agreement between Research Industries and its president, Gary L. Crocker, Crocker will exchange his shares in Research Medical Inc. for shares in the parent company. As the company has historically consolidated the financial performance of the subsidiary, the transaction is not expected to have a significant effect on earnings per

share or the consolidated financial statements.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Arden Group (NASDAQ/NMS:ARDNA) Friday released its sales and income figures for the second quarter and first six months of 1990 compared to the previous year.

Arden Group Inc. currently operates 13 Gelson's and Mayfair supermarkets in Southern California compared to 15 supermarkets in operation during the first six months of 1989. Telautograph Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary, manufactures, markets and services communications equipment and distributes swimming pool supplies.

Arden Group Inc. and Consolidated Subsidiary
Financial Highlights

	Second Quarter 1990/a	Second Quarter 1989/a
Sales	$83,687,000	$89,365,000
Operating income	$ 5,368,000/b	$ 6,418,000/b
Interest Income (expense), net	(270,000)	(145,000)
Other income (expense), net	1,622,000/c	(149,000)
Income before income taxes	6,720,000	6,124,000
Income tax provision	(2,665,000)	(2,554,000)
Net income	$ 4,055,000	$ 3,570,000
Net income per common share	$ 2.49	$ 2.18
Weighted average Common and Common equivalent shares outstanding	1,598,843	1,597,983

	Twenty-Six Weeks 1990/a	Twenty-Six Weeks 1989/a
Sales	$166,469,000	$174,743,000
Operating income	$ 9,972,000	$ 11,305,000
Interest income (expense), net	(285,000)	(606,000)
Other Income (expense), net	1,809,000/c	(139,000)
Income before income taxes and extraordinary item	11,496,000	10,560,000
Income tax provision	(4,593,000)	(4,467,000)
Income before extraordinary item	6,903,000	6,093,000
Extraordinary income		16,000
Net income	$6,903,000	$6,109,000

Income per common share:		
Before extraordinary item	$ 4.23	$ 3.72
Extraordinary income		1 cent
Net income	$ 4.23	$ 3.73
Weighted average Common and Common equivalent shares outstanding	1,598,529	1,596,688

NOTES: (a) Second quarter 1990 ended on June 30, 1990 and second quarter 1989 ended on July 1, 1989.

(b) Includes second-quarter pretax gains on sale of property net of closing costs and certain idle property expenses of $784,000 in 1990 and $1,117,000 in 1989.

(c) Includes second-quarter pretax gain of $1,685,000 from sale of investment securities.

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EMERYVILLE, CALIF. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Chiron Corp. (NASDAQ:CHIR) has elected John H. Williford, chairman of Advanced Polymer Systems (APS) to its board of directors, the company announced Friday.

Williford, 60, has been with APS since 1987 and also has served as president. From 1982 to 1987, he was president of CooperVision Inc. Prior to that, he was vice chairman of Cooper Laboratories Inc. and president of its Oral-B division.

Williford also was president of Revlon's healthcare group, and for 14 years was with Richardson-Merrell Inc., where he became group vice president of the Consumer Products Group. He was a member of the boards of directors of both CooperVision and Revlon, and also served on the boards of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association and the Health Industry Manufacturers Association.

''John Williford's knowledge of the healthcare industry will be very valuable to our board,'' said William J. Rutter, chairman. ''In particular, his experience and perspectives on the opthalmic business will be useful as Chiron Opthalmics continues its growth.

''Furthermore, his general experience in building businesses in pharmaceuticals and healthcare will help the strategic planning process for Chiron's development into the 1990s and beyond.''

Chiron Corp., headquartered in Emeryville, applies genetic engineering and other tools of biotechnology to develop products that diagnose, prevent and treat human disease.

Chiron is building a healthcare business to address needs in four markets: diagnostics, vaccines, biopharmaceuticals and opthalmics, through its fully integrated subsidiary, Chiron Opthalmics Inc.

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WOODLAND HILLS, CALIF. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - In an order filed Aug. 1 the California Supreme Court denied a petition by Underwriters Reinsurance Co. seeking immediate review of a pretrial ruling by the Los Angeles Superior Court.

In that ruling, the Superior Court declined to decide at this time whether the Liquidator of the Mission Companies has a right to accelerated payment of future incurred-but-not-reported (IBNR) claims. The California Court of Appeal had previously declined to undertake an immediate review of the Superior Court's pretrial ruling.

Counsel for Underwriters disagreed with the description of the trial, appellate, and Supreme Court rulings contained in a statement issued on Thursday, Aug. 9, by the Insurance Commissioner.

Underwriters' attorney, Daniel M. Lewis, observed that the trial court did not reach the merits of Underwriters' motion; rather, Judge Lewin concluded that ''(t)here is no legal basis for the determination of the issue presented at this juncture.''

''It is simply untrue that the appellate court affirmed the Commissioner's right immediately to seek recovery of the present value of future policyholder claims; nor did the Supreme Court uphold such a decision,'' said Lewis.

''All the Supreme Court decided was not to consider whether the Court of Appeal properly declined immediate appellate review of Judge Lewin's ruling. The effect of the decision is only to delay such appellate review on the merits to a later stage of the litigation.''

Attorneys for Underwriters stressed that the Supreme Court rarely grants petitions seeking review of pretrial orders, and the denial of such a petition is not a ruling on the merits of Underwriters' legal position.

The Supreme Court's decision leaves Underwriters free to challenge the Liquidator's demand for accelerated payment of IBNR claims before the trial court. ''Underwriters is not refusing to pay its future obligations; it simply opposes the Liquidator's unprecedented attempt to compel Underwriters to make immediate payment of all future IBNR claims,'' added Lewis.

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PORTLAND, Ore. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Softwood lumber production in the western United States hit 23.2 billion board feet in 1989.

That is the third highest year on record, according to the Western Wood Products Association (WWPA), which tallies statistics for the lumber industry operating in the 12-state Western Woods producing region.

The numbers were drawn from WWPA's new 1989 ''Statistical Yearbook of the Western Lumber Industry,'' which furnishes industry performance figures for 1989 and previous years.

The all-time high for western lumber production was 1987's 23.9 billion board feet. Second-highest year came in 1988, with production hitting 23.6 billion board feet.

U.S. imports of Canadian softwoods in 1989 was 13.5 billion board feet, the lowest volume since the 13.2 billion board feet imported in 1984.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Thermador has promoted Bob Woods to director of marketing from his former post as director, product management and training.

''Bob's thorough understanding of the business, his superior sales background and his ability to translate customer needs into innovative Thermador products make him the ideal person for this key position in our sales and marketing division,'' said Cap Hendrix, vice president, sales and marketing.

Woods' promotion to director of marketing took effect July 2, 1990.

Woods' background includes such positions as director of distributor sales for the Thermador product line, export sales manager and senior product manager. Prior to joining Thermador, Woods worked as food and beverage manager at Marriott Hotels.

Woods earned his bachelor of science degree from Northern Arizona University.

Thermador is a leading American manufacturer and marketer of premium built-in kitchen appliances, downdraft ventilating systems, range hoods, food waste disposers and commercial dishwashers.

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TEMECULA, CA (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Temecula Valley National Bank is now open, with offices in Temecula and Murrieta. On July 16, Temecula Valley National Bank was established, upon purchasing the assets and assuming the liabilities of Escondido National

Bank's Temecula office. On that date, there were $17.6 million in loans and $26.9 million in deposits. Former customers of the Escondido National Bank Temecula office are now customers of Temecula Valley National Bank.

Temecula Valley National Bank joins Escondido National Bank and San Marcos National Bank as a member of the ENB Holding Co. group of local independent banks in key communities in San Diego and Riverside counties.

President of the new bank is Larry Hancock, formerly regional vice president of the Temecula office of Escondido National Bank. Joan Sparkman is senior vice president in charge of business development, and Brenda Woeckener is vice president/cashier.

Vice president and manager of the Temecula office is Denette Stewart, and Richard Villalobos is operations officer. Shirley Fleming is assistant vice president/branch manager of the Murrieta office. Peter Pizzuto is operations supervisor.

In addition to Hancock, local area members of the board of directors are chairman John Hoffee, president and chief executive officer of Professional Hospital Supply Co.; Peter Rosen, attorney, Rosen & Flemming; and Larry Markham, president and chief executive officer of Markham & Associates, a land-use consulting and civil engineering firm.

Other directors are Harvey Mitchell, president and chief executive officer of ENB Holding Co. and Escondido National Bank; Michael Wexler, chairman of the board of Escondido National Bank, director of ENB Holding Co. and vice president of Pine Tree Lumber Co. Inc.; Bryn B. Evans, chairman of the board of San Marcos National Bank and director of ENB Holding Co.; and Mark Baker, director of ENB Holding Co. and Escondido National Bank and executive vice president of Baker Electric Inc., Escondido.

"Temecula Valley National Bank was founded to meet the growing needs of businesses and residents in Temecula Valley," Hancock said. "As a local bank, we are able to offer faster response and a higher level of service than large branch banks with headquarters elsewhere."

Hancock also pointed out that checking and savings deposits will be invested back into the community in the form of business, personal and real estate loans to help the local economy.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Thermador has promoted Rose Dickson to product manager.

In addition to retaining her current marketing services responsibilities, Dickson will assume line product management responsibilities.

''Rose's thorough understanding of Thermador marketing objectives and awareness of Thermador customer needs will enable her to handle the dual role effectively and will fulfill a vital role on our sales and marketing team,'' said Cap Hendrix, vice president, sales and marketing.

Dickson's promotion to product manager took effect July 2, 1990.

Dickson's background includes several key positions in media planning and account management with such prominent advertising agencies as Benton and Bowles, W.B. Doner and Ruud & Partners.

Dickson earned her bachelor of arts degree from California State University, Fullerton.

Thermador is a leading American manufacturer and marketer of premium built-in kitchen appliances, downdraft ventilating systems, range hoods, food waste disposers and commercial dishwashers.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - John W. Woods, chairman and chief executive officer of AmSouth Bancorporation and AmSouth Bank N.A., announced Friday that Dan L. Hendley will resign as president and chief operating officer of AmSouth Bank N.A. and vice chairman of AmSouth Bancorporation to pursue other business interests.

''We accept Mr. Hendley's notice of resignation with regret and wish him every sucess as he implements his decision to apply his considerable talens in other areas of finance and management,'' Woods said.

''Day has contributed significantly to AmSouth's success and growth since joining our company in 1973, and our company will continue to benefit in the years to come from his many accomplishments,'' Woods added.

In explaining his reasons for resigning, Hendley said, ''I am 52 years old and have worked for AmSouth since 1973. For some time I have had a desire to do something different in the general area of finance and management. I personally feel that it would not be proper to pursue other career opportunities while still working for AmSouth, and so I am resigning.

''I have thoroughly enjoyed my association over the years with AmSouth employees and customers. AmSouth is a great bank,'' Hendley said.

While Hendley initially joined AmSouth Bancorporation, he was elected in 1976 to serve concurrently as an executive vice president of AmSouth Bank N.S. and AmSouth Bancorporation. He has served as vice chairman of the board of the holding company since 1979 and was elected president and chief operating officer of AmSouth Bank N.A. in 1983

With assets of approximately $8.5 billion, AmSouth Bancorporation is the largest banking institution headquartered in the mid-south region consisting of Alabama, Northwest Florida, Tennessee and Mississippi.

AmSouth operates 155 banking offices throughout Alabama and 21 in Northwest Florida. In addition, AmSouth Mortgage Co. Inc. operates 15 offices throughout the Southeast.

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NORTHRIDGE, CA (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Southwest Corp. (OTC) Friday announced that its board of directors has declared a 10 percent stock dividend payable on Oct. 31 to shareholders of record on Sept. 30.

The stock dividend will raise to approximately 3,550,000 the number of common shares outstanding.

A financial services and real estate company founded in 1980, Pacific Southwest Corp. is dedicated to achieving growth of shareholders' equity through the identification and accumulation of real estate and other assets on favorable terms.

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DALLAS (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Allan V. Cecil, director-corporate public relations, National Gypsum Co., has been elected vice president-public affairs, it was announced Friday by John P. Hayes, chairman and chief executive officer.

Cecil will be responsible for the company's public relations and governmental affairs activities. Prior to joining National Gypsum in 1985 Cecil was employed as head of public relations for Mesa Petroleum Co. He previously held public relations positions with N.W. Ayer & Son, Kerr-McGee Corp. and served as an officer in the United States Air Force.

Cecil is a 1963 graduate of the University of Oklahoma with a bachelor of arts degree in journalism. He also attended graduate school at the University of Oklahoma, majoring in public relations, and did post-graduate work in finance at West Texas State University.

Cecil is currently a member of the board of directors of The Texas Council on Economic Education and serves as a western region director of the American Mining Congress. He is also a member of the Dallas Press Club and the Dallas Chapter of the National Investor Relations Institute.

National Gypsum Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of Aancor Holdings Inc., is a diversified manufacturer and supplier of products and services used worldwide in building and construction.

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REDONDO BEACH, CA. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - TRW Inc. is sponsoring an Earthwatch team of teachers and a company scientist who will join U.S. and Soviet scientists next week on Russia's Caspian Sea to assess the dramatic implications of rapid sea level rise.

The expedition is part of an effort to involve people in the company and people in the communities where it has operations in constructive environmental initiatives. The team leaves for Moscow on Sunday.

The TRW contingent for the three-week expedition includes Dr. David Hinkley, a TRW program development manager from Palos Verdes, Calif., who is involved in exploratory studies for TRW's Applied Technology Division in Redondo Beach, and is a participant in TRW programs supporting the Global Change Initiatives.

The three educators are Don Cammiso, a science specialist with the Fairfax County, Va., Public Schools; Roxie Esterle, science department chairman at Heschel Middle School in Northridge, Calif.; and David Weaner, a physics teacher from Westerville North High School in Columbus, Ohio.

Hinkley will be a part of the expedition's core scientific team that hopes to establish both the first timed series of coastal response to catastrophic sea level rise and the world's only field-based model of coastal sea level rise variations over the next century.

''These 'ground truth' measurements can help calibrate space-based observations of sea level rises,'' says Hinkley, who believes the Caspian measurements can be correlated with certain satellites to observe such impacts as stress on agricultural areas and changes in wetlands.

The accelerated fluctuation in worldwide water levels due to global warming is a well-known forecast these days, and predictions of temperature rises paint a tragic environmental picture.

The Caspian Sea provides an ideal setting for experiments on rising water levels since it has risen 1.5 meters (about 5 feet) between 1978 and 1990. Some scientists predict global oceans may rise just as much in the next 60 years because of global warming.

Earthwatch, an international non-profit organization dedicated to sustaining the world's environment, has been bringing teachers, scientists artists, students and others together since 1971 in ventures aimed at documenting and understanding a changing world.

While many TRW employees have volunteered for expeditions in the past, participating at their own expense, by funding the three teachers' and Hinkley's expenses for this expedition, the company is now officially a part of the Earthwatch effort.

TRW was brought into the Earthwatch fold at the urging of employee Barbara Ackerman, a product line manager for NASA programs. A veteran volunteer of seven Earthwatch expeditions, she is a representative for the organization. TRW and Earthwatch are now developing a relationship that could lead to other cooperative programs.

''Expeditions can furnish hard data for Mission to Planet Earth programs and other environmental uses. It's an important and enlightening venture '' says Ackerman, who pursued and paid for her own Earthwatch excursions.

TRW's involvement in the Caspian Sea expedition is opportune, according to Dale Van Natta, director of civic and community relations for the company's Space & Defense Sector. ''By sponsoring teachers, we're sustaining our commitment to education,'' he says, ''and by sending one of our technical staff, we're reinforcing our commitment to environmental research.''

Cleveland-based TRW is an international company that provides high-technology products and services to the space and defense, automotive and information systems markets. The company's 1989 sales totaled more than $7 billion.

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PALO ALTO, CA (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Varian Associates Inc., has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of six and one-half cents per share, payable on Nov. 1, to shareholders of record on Monday, Oct. 22.

Varian Associates Inc., a diversified high-technology company with annual sales of $1.4 billion with offices and facilities throughout the U.S. and in five other countries. It produces equipment and components for communications, scientific, medical, industrial, and defense markets

worldwide.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Zero Corp. (NYSE/PSE:ZRO) Friday announced that it has sold the ground support equipment portion of its Air Cargo business.

According to Wilford D. Godbold Jr., president and chief executive officer: ''We have been in the process of evaluating our product lines and determined that the ground support portion of our Air Cargo business has not met our expected profitability requirements. The ground support equipment business accounted for approximately 3 percent of our revenues for the twelve months ended June 30, 1990.

''Sale of the ground support equipment will permit our Air Cargo management to focus on its core business of providing enclosures and accessories to the airline/airfreight markets. We are pleased with the progress shown in Air Cargo's core business during the past six months.''

Zero is a leading supplier of cases, cabinets and cooling equipment supplied primarily to the electronics industry and of cargo enclosures for airborne cargo and baggage. Its consumer, industrial and commercial cases are marketed under the Zero Halliburton and Anvil names.

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SAN DIMAS, CA (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Southern California Water Co. (OTC:SWTR) reported second-quarter earnings at 56 cents per common share, compared with 50 cents per common share for the same period in 1989.

Earnings for the twelve months ended June 30, 1990, were $3.08 compared with $1.90 last year.

Operating revenue for the quarter decreased slightly to $21,477,000 compared with $21,939,000 for the same period in 1989, reflecting the loss due to condemnation in June 1989 of one water district, the effects of which are partially offset by increases in sales volumes and rate increases in the remaining districts.

A dividend of 53 cents per share, payable Sept. 1 to shareholders of

record on Aug. 6, was declared at the latest meeting of the board of directors.

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NORTH CANTON, OH (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Belden & Blake Energy Co., a publicly traded master limited partnership (AMEX:BBE), today announced results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, Belden & Blake Energy Co. (BBEC) recognized net income of $51,289 and $130,346, respectively, compared to a net loss of $168,899 and $321,701 (before the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle) for the comparable periods in 1989. The $220,188 increase in net income for the quarter was due primarily to $251,000 of net transportation income resulting from the company's acquisition of a 75 percent ownership interest in certain gas pipelines in August, 1989.

The company reported that working capital from operations (net income or loss plus depreciation, depletion and amortization less the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle) for the second quarter increased 13 percent to $699,302, or 13 cents per unit, compared with $619,152, or 12 cents per unit during the second quarter of 1989.

Working capital from operations for the first six months of 1990 totaled $1,381,569, or 25 cents per unit. This compares to working capital from operations of $1,126,318, or 22 cents per unit in 1989.

During the second quarter of 1990, oil volumes decreased 40,946 barrels to 63,739 barrels and volumes of natural gas decreased 32,150 thousand cubic feet (Mcf) to 403,700 Mcf compared to the same period in 1989. These volume declines are the direct result of the disposition of certain marginal producing oil and gas properties in the fourth quarter of 1989 and the first quarter of 1990.

The average price paid for the company's crude oil before inventory write downs was $17.76 compared to an average price of $18.46 in the second quarter of 1989. The average price paid for the company's natural gas in the second quarter remained the same as the second quarter of 1989 or $2.13 per Mcf.

Belden & Blake Energy Co. declared a quarterly cash distribution of 5 cents per unit for the second quarter of 1990. The distribution was paid on July 20, 1990, to unitholders of record on June 29, 1990. The company

also announced that it has completed the acquisition of all of the assets of 15 Enterprise Energy limited partnerships in exchange for 586,727 BBE units. In aggregate, the company acquired the majority interest in approximately 196 wells located in southern Ohio. These wells are estimated to have remaining proved natural gas reserves of 2.8 billion cubic feet (Bcf) and oil reserves of 83,000 barrels.

Belden & Blake Energy Co. is engaged in exploration, development, production and marketing of oil and natural gas in the Appalachian Basin.

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STANTON, CALIF. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - FTG Data Systems on Friday announced a new light pen product, OS/2 PXL Support Software.

This software includes a pair of drivers that enable FTG's Precision Series Light Pen products to support OS/2 Versions 1.1 and 1.2. OS/2 PXL Support Software is being shown in the FTG booth at the Windows Conference and Exhibition, Aug. 16-17, at the World Trade Center in Boston.

''Both OS/2 and Windows are easy to use with an absolute pointing device like a light pen,'' according to Doug Lippincott, president of FTG Data Systems. ''Supporting OS/2 was a logical extension of the technology we developed for our Microsoft Windows drivers.''

OS/2 PXL Support Software sells for $49 and functions with FTG's light pen interface boards. The PXL-380 Light Pen Interface Board (for ISA bus computers) sells for $189, and the PXL-480 Light Pen Interface Board (for Micro Channel computers) sells for $179. Both are backed with a five-year limited warranty.

A Graphical User Interface, such as OS/2, often becomes friendlier with a light pen as a pointing device. A light pen takes up no desk space and provides the benefit of being able to manipulate graphical applications quickly and easily.

FTG Data Systems develops, manufactures and markets light pen products and graphics terminal emulation software for IBM and compatible personal computers. The company is located a 10801 Dale St., Stanton, CA 90680. Telephone: 714/995-3900, 800/962-3900; FAX: 714/995-3989.

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BURBANK, Calif. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Lisa M. Hansen has been appointed president of the newly-formed CineTel Pictures, a production operation charged with producing up to eight medium-budget motion pictures a year, it was announced by Paul Hertzberg, president and chief executive officer of CineTel Films Inc., the affiliate company that will distribute the films internationally.

New Line Cinema, in a long-standing agreement with CineTel, will continue to release the features domestically.

With this new position, Hansen will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the development, production and post-production divisions of the new company. As one of the few women decision-makers in the motion picture industry, it is her intention to create an atmosphere of creative freedom for quality films that will induce filmakers and/or actors with projects to CineTel Pictures.

''We want to be an alternative to the majors,'' notes Hansen, who is also the executive vice president of CineTel Films Inc. ''We want to be a strong, viable production operation that is attractive to talent for a number of different reasons: artistic autonomy, no bureaucratic hassles and the opportunity to reap the financial benefits of a picture when it becomes successful.''

It is Hansen's goal to work with a variety of creative talent who may not have necessarily thought of working with an independent film company previously -- an objective she has strived for since joining CineTel almost a decade ago.

In the last few years alone, Hansen has produced or executive produced more than a dozen of CineTel's in-house film productions, including the forthcoming ''Too Much Sun,'' written and directed by Robert Downey Sr., and starring Robert Downey Jr., Jim Haynie, Eric Idle, Ralph Macchio, Andrea Martin, Leo Rossi and Howard Duff; ''Fast Getaway,'' starring Corey Haim, Cynthia Rothrock, Leo Rossi and Marcia Strassman; and ''Masters of Menace,'' starring David Rasche and Catherine Bach.

Among her other recent producing accomplishments are ''Relentless,'' ''Far Out Man,'' ''976-EVIL,'' ''Hit List,'' ''Bulletproof,'' ''Armed Response '' ''Cold Steel,'' ''Fear'' and ''Tripwire.''

Now in various stages of preproduction or development at CineTel Pictures

are ''Past Midnight,'' a provacative thriller by Frank Norwood to be directed this fall by Jan Eliasberg; ''The Retreat,'' a taut thriller by James Lemmo and Karl Schiffman, which will be directed by Lemmo; and ''Zero Tolerance,'' written and directed by John Saxon, the character actor who will be making his directorial debut with this project.

A Chicago native, Hansen began her communications career as a deejay at a Gillette, Wyo., radio station. Upon returning to Chicago, she joined Spectrum Pay-TV as program manager. In 1982, Hansen left that firm for a position with Chicago Teleproductions (the forerunner of CineTel). She was promoted to vice president in 1983 and moved with the company to Los Angeles.

The following year, she was promoted to executive vice president charged with overseeing all film productions, advertising and promotional campaigns.

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MILLBRAE, Calif. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Homestead Financial Corp. (NYSE:HFL/HFLB) reported a net loss of $30.2 million, or $2.66 per share for the second quarter ended June 30, compared to a net loss of $18.7 million or $1.65 per share for the second quarter ended June 30, 1989.

To take a conservative position in a softening real estate market, the company added $18.0 million in general valuation allowances during the quarter. These additional reserves for potential future losses resulted from a review of the company's assets by management and completion of examinations by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) and the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS).

At June 30, Homestead Savings (the Association), the company's savings and loan subsidiary, had $29.0 million in general valuation reserve balances, representing 1.1 percent of assets.

To improve its future capital ratios, the company announced its intention to sell four of its five apartment complexes, representing $129.9 million in assets, rather than retain these properties as long-term investments. The company recorded a $16.7 million provision for potential losses and costs on the sale of these investments which are owned by Homestead Land Development Corp. (HLDC), Homestead Savings' real estate development subsidiary.

''Selling these complexes will have a positive impact on Homestead

Savings' future capital ratios and therefore, will enhance the savings and loan's ability to achieve its capital compliance goals,'' commented Lawrence Weissberg, chairman and chief executive officer.

Beginning on July 1, for the purposes of calculating capital under the new savings and loan legislation, Homestead Savings must deduct from capital 10 percent of its investment in and extensions of credit to HLDC. This percentage increases over a transition period to 100 percent on July 1, 1994.

In recognition of continuing market declines, provisions of $4.3 million were added to increase specific loss reserves primarily on commercial loans and to reduce the company's investment in various commercial properties acquired through foreclosure. The carrying value of the company's remaining ownership interest in a finance subsidiary was reduced by additional reserves of $2.2 million.

The controlling interest in this finance subsidiary was sold in 1989. During the second quarter of 1990, the company decided to sell the marketable equity securities owned by the parent company. As a result of the company's intention to sell these securities, a $2.8 million market valuation adjustment was recorded. The company also reported income of $1.5 million resulting from the recovery of previously reserved mortgage insurance claims.

Net interest income before loan loss provisions increased 66.1 percent from $5.2 million for the second quarter of 1989 to $8.7 million for the second quarter of 1990. The improvement was primarily due to both an increase in the average yield on interest-earning assets and a decrease in the average cost of interest-bearing liabilities. Primary interest rate spread increased from 1.06 percent at June 30, 1989 to 1.97 percent at June 30.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - TeleVideo Systems Inc. (OTC:TELV) has named Richard A. DuBridge to the position of president and chief operating officer.

The announcement was made by Dr. K. Philip Hwang, chairman and chief executive officer. DuBridge was also elected to the company's board of directors.

This is a return to TeleVideo for DuBridge, 56, who served the compnay from July, 1979, to January, 1985, as executive vice president and, later,

as vice chairman.

''Dick DuBridge was instrumental in helping grow TeleVideo from a startup to a 168 million dollar a year company,'' said Hwang in making the announcment, ''I am very happy to have him back to help us rebuild the company and initiate new strategies for growth,'

Most recently, DuBridge has been engaged in private venture captial business. Prior to joining TeleVideo the first time in 1979, DuBridge was with Memorex Crop., as director of marketing for the eqipment group, and with the General Electric Co. from 1958 to 1976, where he held various engineering and marketing management positions in San Jose, and Waynesboro Va.

DuBridge holds a B.S. degree in Physics from Harvard University,

TeleVideo Systems Inc. is a leading supplier of industry-standard, high performance LAN file servers and workstation products, video display terminals, computer enhancement products, and applications specific integrated circuits (ASICs).

Corporate offices are located at 550 East Brokaw Rd., P.O. Box 49048, San Jose, Calif. 95161-9048, Telephone: 408/954-8333.

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FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP, NJ (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Talcon L.P. (NASDAQ:TLCNZ) announced Friday that it has reached an agreement in principle to withdraw from The Costa Group, a California limited partnership engaged in real estate development in Southern California.

As part of the transaction, Talcon will acquire from The Costa Group certain real property and a 50 percent interest in a general partnership engaged in the development of real estate in Riverside County, Calif.

In addition, Talcon will release The Costa Group from its obligations to repay approximately $3.5 million of redeemable equity contributions and advances and an additional $3.2 million that represents the proceeds of a bank loan advanced by Talcon to The Costa Group that is secured by the real property to be transferred to Talcon. The transaction is subject to the execution of a definitive agreement and the approval of certain lenders and joint venture partners of the Costa Group.

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LAS VEGAS (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Electronic Data Technologies (NASDAQ:EDAT) Friday announced revenues of $6,475,700 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 and $19,950,300 for the nine months ended June 30, 1990.

This compares to then record quarterly revenues of $6,995,100 for the quarter ended June 30, 1989 and revenues of $16,004,000 for the nine months ended June 30, 1989.

The company reported net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $289,900, or 8 cents per share, as compared to net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1989 of $596,700, or 16 cents per share. Net income for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 was $1,647,400, or 43 cents per share as compared to income from continuing operations for the nine months ended June 30, 1989 of $1,644,600, or 44 cents per share.

The decline in quarterly revenues is attributable primarily to a 31 percent decrease in revenue from the sales of Gaming Management Systems from a record $4,725,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1989, to $3,281,400 in the current quarter, partially offset by a 17 percent increase in revenue from route operations and increases in Service and other revenue. Route management revenue was $2,159,900 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 as compared to $1,847,800 for the comparable quarter of the prior year. Service and other revenue was $1,034,400 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 as compared to $421,800 for the same quarter of the prior year. The increases in Service revenue and other is due to increased sales of slot system units and parts to existing slot system customers as well as increases in recurring software license and slot and keno system hardware maintenance fees.

The company currently has a Gaming Management Systems' backlog of approximately $3 million as compared to $6.9 million in business backlog at June 30, 1989. The decrease in contract backlog results from a reduction in large casino system contracts which tend to remain in backlog for periods of more than 120 days.

Route Management fees accounted for 33 percent and 32 percent of total revenues for the three and nine months ended June 30, 1990, respectively. The increase in gaming revenue is a result of the increase in machines and an increase in overall machine performance during the period as compared to the prior year.

The company's profit margin declined primarily due to the carrying costs

associated with game operations equipment, specifically increases in interest and depreciation expense. Additionally, the company incurred operating costs associated with new products whose introduction to the market have been delayed by regulatory constraints.

EDT is a world leader in the design and manufacture of computerized management systems for the gaming industry. The company also manages, through its wholly owned subsidiary, approximately 1,660 gaming machines placed in various non-casino locations in Nevada.

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FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - National Lumber & Supply Inc. (OTC:NTLQE) Friday reported that the company has retained ALCO Capital Corp. and Sam Nassi Co. Inc. to conduct clearance and going-out-of-business sales at seven of its 12 stores.

Inventories will be sold at store locations in El Toro, Bellflower, Huntington Beach, Garden Grove, Carson, Torrance and South Gate. The inventory sales are expected to take about 60 to 90 days, after which the store leases may be sold.

The sales have been approved by the bankruptcy court. National Lumber filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in April 1990.

National Lumber & Supply Inc. operates retail home-improvement centers in Southern California.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - TeleQuest Inc. reported sales of $1,413,000 for the second quarter ended June 30, up 85 percent from $764,000 for the second quarter of the prior year.

Sales for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, of $3,259,000 were 109 percent higher than sales of $1,563,000 for the first six months of 1989. The company also reported net losses of $739,000, or 3 cents per share, for the second quarter and $1,230,000, or 6 cents per share, for the first six months of 1990.

According to Robert C. Fick, vice president and chief financial officer, sales increases during the second quarter were primarily the result of quarterly variations in the timing of shipments to the company's major international customer and do not necessarily indicate an increase in sales to this customer for the full year.

Second-quarter sales also increased because of the addition of new domestic customers. Sales increases for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, also benefitted from non-recurring sales of television sets that the company liquidated during the first quarter on behalf of its major stockholder.

The company's reported gross margin for its second quarter of negative 5 percent represented a decrease from 19 percent for the like period of 1989. This decrease was primarily the result of $215,000 of asset valuation adjustments recorded during the second quarter as well as liquidation sales. Operating expenses decreased 11 percent from the second quarter of 1989 to the second quarter of 1990.

In July, the company was informed that its major stockholder, Teletech International Holdings Ltd., had become the subject of a takeover bid by Swilynn International Holdings Ltd., a Hong Kong publicly traded company, as is Teletech. The directors and officers of Teletech oppose the takeover and are fighting it aggressively.

It is currently not possible to predict whether or not the takeover bid will be successful or how a successful takeover might impact the company. Teletech owns 84 percent of the company's outstanding stock.

TeleQuest designs, develops and markets a diversified line of telephone products for the residential and small-business markets.

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HONOLULU (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Hawaiian Airlines Friday announced fuel surcharges of $10 each way on trans-Pacific flights and $15 each way on South Pacific routes, effective Friday (Aug. 10).

Earlier this week, a $2.50 fuel surcharge for each one-way segment went into effect on interisland flights in Hawaii.

The temporary fuel surcharges represent 4-6 percent of trans-Pacific and South Pacific fares.

While other carriers have increased air fares as much as 10 percent due to

rising fuel costs, Hawaiian says it will hold the line on fares as long as possible to keep prices affordable for its customers.

''We hope oil prices continue to stabilize,'' said John Ueberroth, Hawaiian's president and chief operating officer. ''Our surcharge will go up or down according to our fuel price.''

Hawaiian's fuel prices have increased as much as 17 percent recently, but it is passing along only a fraction of that cost to customers. Fuel surcharges apply to published fares, coupons and tour wholesaler rates.

Hawaiian Airlines flies to Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Las Vegas on the West Coast. Its South Pacific destinations are Guam, Tahiti, American Samoa, Western Samoa, Tonga, the Cook Islands, and Australia.

The Honolulu-based airline uses approximately 120 million gallons of jet fuel a year and flies 230 flights daily.

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EAST HANOVER, N.J. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The Ultimate Corp. (NYSE:ULT) reported revenues of $52.4 million for the first quarter following its divisional reorganization in May, an improvement over revenue of $49 million, reported in the first quarter of last year.

Three of the company's four divisions reported profitable operations for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, but a loss in the company's largest division caused an overall loss of $845,320, or 9 cents loss per share.

In commenting, Ultimate chairman, president and chief executive officer, Michael J. O'Donnell said, ''The loss is a major disappointment for us and is attributable in large part to poorer gross profit margins in the Systems Division.''

''In years gone by, Ultimate was able to maintain consistently high margins; recently, with the price and margin squeezes across the entire computer industry, Systems Division margins have decreased to approximately 34.5 percent. Our recent divisonal reorganization is allowing us to size operations and expenses to make money even at those margins. We have made progress in that regard, but still have work to do in the Systems Division.''

Ultimate provides business solutions to companies of all sizes by integrating system-level software and applications software on hardware platforms from premier computer vendors such as Bull HN, Hewlett-Packard, IBM and Sequoia. The firm also provides education, training, consulting and field-maintenance services to customers across a wide range of vertical markets.

In addition to its domestic operations, Ultimate has subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, Canada, France and Australia.

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LAS VEGAS (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - MarCor Resorts Inc. (NASDAQ:MAAR) today announced operating results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Total revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $17,985,639, of which $13,732,223 is attributable to the company's gaming operations. Total operating income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, was $330,610, compared to $688,994 in the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989.

The company's gaming operating loss was $469,997 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990. There was no comparable 1989 gaming operating data, since the company's gaming operations at the Rio Suite Hotel & Casino commenced in January 1990.

MarCor's net loss for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, was $213,828, or 3 cents per share, compared to net income of $302,351, or 4 cents per share, for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989.

Net cash flow from operations, adjusting for minority partners' interests, was $202,511, or 3 cents per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990. Weighted average shares outstanding for the second quarter of 1990 and 1989 were 7,573,152 and 6,655,813, respectively.

MarCor reported total revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990, of $32,511,796, of which $26,622,488 was attributable to the company's gaming operations. Operating income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $850,492, compared to $1,160,182 for the six-month period ended Aug. 31, 1989.

During the first half of 1990, MarCor reported a loss from gaming operations of $490,734, which included the one-time write-off of Rio opening expenses of $743,366 during the first quarter. There was no comparable gaming operating figures for the previous year.

MarCor's net loss for thesix months ended June 30, 1990, was $228,341, or 3 cents per share, compared to net income of $592,899, or 8 cents per share, for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1989.

MarCor Resorts Inc., through a wholly owned subsidiary, is the principal owner and operator of the first all-suite hotel/casino in the country, the Rio Suite Hotel & Casino, located in Las Vegas. MarCor and controlled entities own 165 acres in the greater Las Vegas areas targeted for the development of future gaming resorts and ancillary uses.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - JOE FRANKLIN PRODUCTIONS INC. (FNJD) announced Friday its entry into the fast-growing fax-mail business with the introduction of ''THE FAX EXCHANGE,'' which began operations on Aug. 1.

In its facility in El Monte, Calif., a key team of engineering, marketing and financial personnel specialize in facsimile communications and document storage and retrieval technology. Moshe Ovadya, a spokesman for the company said: ''The response to initial media advertising and test marketing is overwhelmingly positive.''

''THE FAX EXCHANGE'' will operate as a separate division of Joe Franklin Productions Inc. It has received its initial funding through a purchase of shares in Joe Franklin Productions Inc. by a group of private investors.

''THE FAX EXCHANGE'' is dedicated to all aspects of enhanced fax communications. Combining electronic document storage and retrieval technology with PC-based fax cards by Gammalink and custom software, ''THE FAX EXCHANGE'' provides unparalleled fax processing capabilities coupled with document archiving. The technology allows its subscribers to send and receive first-generation-quality documents without any degradation in image quality.''

''THE FAX EXCHANGE'' provides numerous fax services, including fax-mail-boxes that allow subscribers to receive faxes confidentially and securely. Subscribers can retrieve their faxes from any fax machine in the world by simply talking to a customer service representative and providing verbal instructions.

''THE FAX EXCHANGE'' is the first fax-mail service to feature live operators, eliminating the need to use complex PC-based programs or the dialing of long sequences of touch-tone telephone-based numbers, passwords and instructions.

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KIRKLAND, WASH. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - ProCyte Corp. (NASDAQ:PRCY) Friday announced that it has begun Phase II clinical trials of its Iamin compound on chronic wounds in humans.

The trials will be conducted in Seattle by Bernard Goffe M.D. and will look at wounds resulting from a variety of underlying diseases. Dr. Goffe, a dermatologist in the Minor and James Clinic, is a Clinical Associate Professor of Dermatology at the University of Washington School of Medicine.

The trials will further test the accelerated healing effect of ProCyte's patented core technology, the Iamin compound. The compound, a tripeptide is found to occur naturally in human blood. When complexed with copper, this tripeptide triggers the body's natural healing mechanisms.

Tests will be conducted on chronic wounds, such as skin ulcers and other types of non-healing wounds which have not responded to traditional therapies. According to a 1990 report published in ''Biomedical Business International,'' an estimated 1 million bedridden people suffer from chronic wounds that won't heal.

The Iamin compound is undergoing additional clinical trials for the healing of stasis and diabetic ulcers under the direction of Schering Corp. at two other U.S. sites and one site in France.

''These studies are key to future product development and expanded clinical trials,'' said Joseph Ashley, ProCyte's president and chief executive officer. ''This is part of ProCyte's plan to develop its own products for tissue repair and wound healing for the world healthcare market,'' he said.

ProCyte Corp., a biopharmaceutical company headquartered in Kirkland, is developing a new class of pharmaceuticals based on proprietary compounds that trigger tissue regeneration. Iamin is a registed trademark of ProCyte Corp.

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - CUC International Inc. (NYSE:CU) announced Friday that it has purchased three dining clubs for a total purchase price of $6.5 million.

The clubs, which were privately-owned, offer local dining and lifestyle discounts in Boston, Long Island, Phoenix, Denver and Texas.

Walter A. Forbes, CUC's chairman and CEO, said, ''The purchase of these three established clubs brings us 200,000 additional dining members and also provides us with a strong base in a number of important markets.

''Local market discount clubs, which typically are dining-oriented, are growing rapidly and enjoy high consumer and merchant acceptance. Moreover, local market clubs provide an additional distribution channel for all of our membership based services.''

The clubs purchased by CUC in this transaction will continue to market their services directly to consumers through print advertising, fundraisers, corporations, schools, and local TV ads, as well as credit card marketing.

CUC International is a leading membership services company, presently providing more than 14 million consumers with access to a variety of services including home shopping, travel, insurance, auto, dining, checking account enhancements, and extended warranties.

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AMHERST, NY (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Mark IV Industries, Inc. (NYSE: IV), Friday announced the acquisition of the assets of Ferranti-Packard Electronics from NEI Canada Limited, a subsidiary of Rolls Royce, for $20.9 million Canadian (approximately $18.2 million U.S.).

Ferranti-Packard is a Canadian designer, manufacturer and marketer of electro-magnetic display devices for use in destination signs, traffic control signs, gasoline pump displays, scoreboards and numerous other information display applications. Ferranti-Packard expects 1990 revenues

of approximately $24 million Canadian, (approximately $20 million U.S.). The company is a market leader in most of its product areas, with nearly 50 percent of its revenues generated in Europe.

Sal H. Alfiero, chairman and chief executive officer of Mark IV said, ''The purchase of Ferranti-Packard is Mark IV's second acquisition this year in line with its recently announced strategy of concentrating on building its core businesses through a balanced program of internal development and acquisitions. We are focused on targeting those companies with lines of business that are complementary to and strengthen our existing operations. The $10 million February acquisition of Dynacord, a West German maker of professional sound equipment, was a strategically important addition to the Mark IV Audio group, adding approximately $28 million in revenue to the audio business.

We have taken the same approach to the further development of our communication and information businesses with the acquisition of Ferranti-Packard. We expect that this combination will yield additional synergies through combined marketing and product development efforts.''

Ferranti-Packard has manufacturing facilities in Mississauga and Cobourg, Ontario, and distribution and service facilities in Mississauga, Ontario; Zurich, Switzerland; and Boston, Massachusetts. Mark IV, headquartered in the Buffalo suburb of Amherst, New York, is a diversified manufacturer of products in three business segments: Technical Products and Systems; Engineered Products and Systems; and Transportation Products and Systems.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Roderick G. W. Chu, 41, Andersen Consulting's Worldwide Managing Partner - State and Local Government practice and former Commissioner of Taxation and Finance for New York State, has been appointed as the newest member of the State University of New York (SUNY) Board of Trustees. His nomination by Governor Mario M. Cuomo was confirmed by the State Senate on July 1. Chu is based in Andersen Consulting's New York office.

The SUNY Board of Trustees is responsible for developing new and managing existing programs of higher education, affording appropriate educational facilities for citizens of the State. Chu is the first SUNY Trustee of Asian heritage in its history. (He was also the first Chinese American Commissioner and the youngest Tax Commissioner ever appointed in New York State.)

"Rod Chu brought innovation and management excellence to state tax policy and tax collection," Cuomo said. "I'm confident he will bring the same qualities to the SUNY Board of Trustees as it attempts to guide our higher education systems in the 1990's."

As commissioner, from 1983 to 1988, Chu directed 6,000 state employees in the collection of tax revenues for the largest state revenue agency in the United States. He was responsible for an annual department budget of more than $200 million.

He instituted major changes in tax operations and tax policies, including initiatives to reduce tax evasion in the state. Audit and compliance programs initiated under Chu's tenure resulted in almost $1 billion per year in increased revenues from improved compliance with tax laws.

Chu first joined Andersen Consulting in 1971 and rejoined the organization in 1988. He has managed client work for engagements involving the design and installation of large-scale computer information systems and advising clients on the strategic use of information for competitive advantage.

Key projects have included state and local government systems for financial management, human resources, tax return processing, pension, welfare and benefits case management, vehicle maintenance, central accounting, decision support and related training, and purchasing, receiving and accounts payable.

Andersen Consulting has helped organizations apply technology for competitive advantage since 1954 when it installed the first computer for commercial use. The organization helps clients use information in all phases of their management activities - strategic, operations, and financial.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - On Aug. 8, 1990, the board of directors of CenCor Inc. declared a 1-for-5 reverse stock split of the company's regular common stock.

The reverse stock split was approved by the holders of a majority of the outstanding regular common stock of the company and will become effective at the close of business on Aug. 31, 1990.

The board of directors of CenCor Inc. stated that the reverse stock split was advisable and in the best interests of the company and its stockholders in order to counter the lack of acceptability of the

company's regular common stock by the financial community and investing public, which has resulted due to its current low per share price.

Cash will be paid by the company in lieu of the issuance of fractional shares as a result of the reverse stock split.

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DALLAS (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Hogan Systems Inc. Friday announced that Patric J. Jerge has been named president and chief executive officer of the company, effective immediately.

Jerge previously was executive vice president of the company's Integrated Banking Applications (IBA) group.

In addition, William O. Hunt, currently a member of the board of directors of Hogan Systems, has been named chairman of the board. Hunt is and will remain chairman, president and chief executive officer of Alliance Telecommunications Corp.

Jerge and Hunt succeed Gary W. Fiedler, former chairman, president and chief executive officer of Hogan Systems, who will remain as a member of the board of directors. Fiedler previously announced his resignation to resume a career in the banking industry.

Jerge joined Hogan Systems in 1978, as one of the company's first 10 employees. Prior to being named executive vice president in 1988, he held various management positions with the company, including senior vice president of the field operations group, vice president of product development, and vice president of western region sales, sales support and customer support.

Before joining Hogan Systems, Jerge served as director of development and area manager of development and support with University Computing Company of Dallas. He began his career with M&T Bank of Buffalo, N.Y.

Hogan Systems Inc., of Dallas, designs, markets and supports integrated on-line application software products for use by financial institutions worldwide. The company maintains major sales and support offices in Woking, England; Melbourne, Australia; New York City and Dallas.

Company stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''HOGN'' and is listed in alphabetical quotations as ''Hogan'' or ''HoganSys.''

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NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FL (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Intensive Care, Inc. 1/8NASDAQ/NMS:HICI (common stock) and HICIW (warrants)3/8, a leading provider of high-tech home health care, Friday announced unaudited results for the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990.

James P. Cefaratti, President of Home Intensive Care commented, ''During the third quarter of fiscal 1990 we proceeded with our aggressive expansion plans. We now provide home infusion therapy in 45 major metropolitan areas through 24 locations in 19 states. According to McGraw Hill's ''Health-Business,'' based upon number of locations, Home Intensive Care is now the seventh largest home infusion company in the nation.

''As such, we are in an excellent position to emerge as a leader in an industry which is expected to achieve a 30 pct. annualized growth rate over the next several years.

''During the third quarter, we restructured the Company into two business segments; an Infusion Therapy Division (which includes home dialysis) and a Dialysis Clinic Division. The third quarter was the first under our new corporate structure and as such, should be used as a basis for measuring the future success of the Company.

''During the third quarter, revenues from the Infusion Therapy Division increased at an annualized growth rate in excess of 100 pct. The third quarter loss was considerably less than originally anticipated, and we expect the fourth quarter loss to be appreciably less than the third quarter, with a return to profitability early in 1991.

''We have gained national attention from several prestigious trade publications and industry analysts as a result of projections by industry experts that 'niche players' promise the most dramatic growth within our industry. Our niche is home dialysis which is recognized as being among the most sophisticated critical care therapies offered in the home today. Home Intensive Care remains the only national home infusion company that offers staff assisted home dialysis among its full range of infusion services.

''We are backing up our commitment to service excellence by seeking accreditation from the National League of Nursing's Community Health Accreditation Program (CHAP). We are the first national infusion company to seek such accreditation from CHAP, a nurse driven organization with an

unparalleled reputation for clinical excellence. In addition, we will be seeking accreditation from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations (JCHAO).

''To further capitalize on our expertise in dialysis, we continue to expand our dialysis clinic operations. We opened our third clinic in June in Dallas, Texas, and expect to open clinics in Detroit, Michigan in August, and in Prince Georges County, Maryland shortly thereafter. By the end of December, 1990 we expect to open six to eight additional clinics.'' concluded Cefaratti.

The Company also announced that it has extended the expiration date of its common stock purchase warrants from September 30, 1990 to September 30, 1991. The exercise price of each publicly traded warrant remains $7.50, and each warrant entitles the warrantholder to purchase two shares of common stock at the exercise price of $7.50.

Home Intensive Care, Inc. is a leading provider of high-tech home health care infusion therapy products and services including home dialysis, nutritional therapy, and intravenous antibiotic therapy in 40 metropolitan areas. The Company also operates three dialysis centers with a number of additional clinics scheduled to open in fiscal 1990 in major markets throughout the U.S. Its Lifeline Water Systems subsidiary markets water purification systems for commercial, industrial and residential use.

Home Intensive Care Inc.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenues from ongoing operations	$ 7,807,000	$15,180,000
Income (loss) before income taxes	(2,146,000)	2,113,000
Provision (credit) for income taxes	(644,000)	795,000
Net income (loss)	$(1,502,000)	$ 1,318,000
Net income (loss) per common share	$(.16)	$.14
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	9,155,000	9,738,000

	Nine Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenues from ongoing operations	$23,692,000 (a)	$39,923,000
Income (loss) before income taxes	(3,828,000)(a)	7,348,000
Provision (credit) for income taxes	(853,000)	2,762,000
Net income (loss)	$(2,975,000)	$ 4,586,000
Net income (loss) per common share	$(.33)	$.49
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	9,134,000	9,451,000

(a) The above results for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 do not include revenues of $16,623,000 related to the terminated portion of the Company's home dialysis business. These revenues have been offset against operating expenses and the resulting operating income of $3,887,000 for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 has been credited to the reserve for closing costs which may be incurred.

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WESTFORD, MASS. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation and Empress Software, Inc. today announced the availability of Empress Software's relational database management system (RDBMS) products on Concurrent's 5000 and 6000 series of real-time UNIX computers. The Empress RDBMS products will be sold by both sales organizations.

The Empress products running on the Concurrent systems include Empress RDBMS, Empress 4GL, and Empress FORTRAN Host Language Interface. Empress RDBMS products are designed for advanced technical applications allowing the use of more complex data such as images, voices and unstructured text. They also handle routine database management applications. These products feature standards-based ANSI and SQL plus extensions for flexible programming. Interfaces to C and FORTRAN are also available.

Pam LaBove, third-party marketing manager at Concurrent said, ''As a member of Concurrent's successful Distributed Products Program, Empress will add a technical facet to our relational database offerings. Concurrent looks forward to selling Empress' RDBMS products as a technical database solution to our mutual engineering and scientific customer communities.''

Empress was designed in Canada by John Kornatowski and Ivor Ladd. Applications have ranged from mapping and voice messaging to simulator design and image processing, to medical and CAD/CAM, as well as traditional RDBMS and 4GL solutions. Empress sales and marketing offices are in the Washington, D.C. suburb of Greenbelt, Maryland and the company research and development center is in Toronto, Canada.

Concurrent Computer Corporation is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's

products, marketed through the Commercial Products, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems Groups, provide real-time solutions to the commercial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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SHREWSBURY, NJ (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Wellman Inc. (NYSE: WLM) announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 3 cents per share on the company's outstanding common stock.

This dividend is payable September 17 to shareholders of record on September 3.

The board also named two new directors, Allan R. Dragone and Raymond C. Tower, bringing the number of directors serving on Wellman's board to eight.

Dragone was formerly president of Celanese Corp., vice chairman of Burlington Industries and president and chief executive officer of AKZO America Inc. He served on Wellman's board of directors in 1987 and in 1988 became chairman of the board of Fiber Industries Inc., which was spun off from Hoechst Celanese Corp. in January of that year and which Wellman acquired in November 1989.

Tower was president, chief operating officer and a member of the board of directors of FMC Corp. until his retirement on March 1. He serves on the board of directors of several corporations and institutions and is an active member of many professional organizations.

Wellman, Inc. is the nation's largest recycler of plastic, fibre and film wastes, manufactures and distributes high quality polyester textile fibres under the Fortrel brandname and produces polyester and nylon fibres and plastic resins from its recycling operations.

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FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Lomak Petroleum Inc. (the ''Company''), Friday announced its June 30, 1990 results.

Revenues for the six months reached $2.9 million, a 21 percent increase over the prior year period. Net income rose to $88,600 vs. $14,100 in 1989. At June 30, 1990, working capital was $2 million, oil and gas properties totalled $7.5 million and total assets reached $13.1 million.

These figures represent increases of 140 percent, 150 percent and 90 percent, respectively. This growth was financed entirely through a $3.4 million preferred stock placement, issuance of common stock in acquisitions and retained earnings. As a result, debt remained level while shareholders' equity rose dramatically from $1 million at year end 1989 to $4.5 million at June 30, 1990.

In the second quarter, the company completed the sale of $3.4 million of 8 percent convertible preferred stock. The proceeds from the offering were used to fund two acquisitions.

In early May, the company acquired 39 percent of the outstanding stock of Dallas Oil & Minerals Inc. (''DOIL''). DOIL, a small publicly traded independent producer based in Fort Worth, owns oil and gas properties located principally in Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma. Upon acquiring the position, the company assumed control of DOIL. The company is currently considering whether and how to acquire the remaining DOIL shares.

In late May, the company acquired Appalachian Exploration Inc. (''AEI''), another independent producer based in eastern Ohio. As AEI's assets and operations were contiguous to those of the company, the acquisition should permit substantial operating efficiencies once the properties are fully integrated.

The company is engaged in the acquisition, production and development of oil and gas properties and provides brine disposal and other ancillary services to the oil industry. The company's common stock is listed on NASDAQ under the symbol ''LOMK''.

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ASHLAND, KY (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Addington Environmental Inc., (NASDAQ/NMS:ADDR) has signed an option to acquire an existing landfill in South Carolina, the company announced Friday.

The option allows Addington Environmental, a subsidiary of Ashland-based Addington Resources, Inc., to purchase the assets of Appleton Sanitary Landfill in Allendale County, S.C., for an undisclosed sum, said Todd Skaggs, Addington operations manager.

If all requirements are met, the company expects to compete the acquisition within 90 days.

Skaggs said if the acquisition takes place, the company intends to improve the landfill's operations by providing new capital for additional workers and equipment. The company also plans to construct a recycling center to help Allendale County with long-term solutions to disposal problems.

Addington Resources mines coal in Kentucky, West Virginia, Ohio and Illinois and is engaged in contracting, highway construction operations and the development and operation of solid waste disposal systems.

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BROOKLYN, NY (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Polymer Research Corp. of America (NASDAQ:PROA) Friday reported results for the second quarter of 1990.

Polymer's second quarter revenues of $782,514 were 30 percent greater than the second quarter of last year.

Net income for the quarter was $112,000 (13 cents per share) compared with $5,500 for last year's second quarter.

Carl Horowitz, the company's president, attributed the higher net income to an incrase in research sales resulting from increased marketing efforts over the past two years, and to a decrease in the cost of research revenues.

Polymer Research Corp. of America is engaged primarily in research in the area of chemical grafting on a contract basis for a wide range of manufacturing and other companies.

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NISKAYUNA, NY (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Environment One Corp. (BSE:EON)

posted revenues of $2,879,061 for the second quarter of 1990.

Total revenues and other income increased $423,876 or 17.3 percent over the same period a year ago. Profits increased to $186,349 (5 cents per share) compared to '89's second quarter of $71,653 (2 cents per share). The 150 percent profit surge puts the company back on track after reduced earnings in the first quarter of this year.

Angelo Dounoucos, president and chief executive officer, views the company as experiencing strong sales in its two major product lines, grinder pumps and instruments. He expects to see the year continue at approximately the same level of operation and growth as for the first half.

Over the last year, Dounoucos has revamped and reinforced the Marketing, Engineering and Manufacturing sections with new leadership and initiatives aimed at making the company more competitive and profitable for the future.

Environment One is a manufacturer of environmental products and provider of environmental measurement services based in Niskayuna, N.Y. The corporation stock is traded over the counter and listed on the Boston Stock Exchange under the trading symbol - EON.

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ASHEVILLE, NC (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Ingles Markets Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:IMKTA) Friday announced financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990.

Also, the company's board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend on its Class A and Class B common stock.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, net sales increased 13.9 percent to $258.1 million from $226.6 million in the comparable period last year. Gross profit for the most recent quarter increased 14.0 percent to $58.5 million compared with $51.3 million last year. Income from operations rose 28.1 percent to $10.0 million versus $7.8 million last year.

Net income was $3.5 million, or 19 cents per share, compared with $4.3 million, or 24 cents per share, last year.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, net sales were $746.3 million, a 14.7 percent increase from $650.6 million in the comparable period last year. Gross profit increased 14.2 percent to $166.9 million from $146.2 million in the year-earlier period.

Income from operations rose 23.0 percent to $24.7 million, compared with $20.1 million, last year.

Net income was $6.5 million, or 36 cen per share, for the nine months ended June 30, 1990, compared with $10.3 million, or 58 cents per share, last year.

Commenting on the results, Robert P. Ingle, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: ''The decrease in net income for the three- and nine-month periods ended June 30, 1990, is the result of net losses of $1.0 million and $5.8 million, respectively, incurred on the sale of marketable equity securities.

''The company terminated all its remaining investments in marketable equity securities during the quarter ended June 30, 1990, and has no present plans to reinvest in marketable equity securities.

''Our operating results for the year continue to be very strong. The increase in operating income for the three and nine month periods ended June 30, 1990, is primarily attributable to the increase in sales and a decrease, as a percentage of sales, in operating and administrative expenses due to improved expense control.

''During the period from June 25, 1989 to June 30, 1990, the company opened 19 new stores and closed 4 older stores. Our financial position is solid and we believe our operating results will continue to be strong in the fourth quarter,'' Ingle concluded.

The company also announced that the board of directors has declared a cash dividend of $.055 (five and one-half cents) per share on its Class A common stock and a cash dividend of 5 cents per share on its Class B common stock. The dividends are payable August 28, 1990, to all stockholders of record on August 17, 1990.

Ingles Markets Inc. is a leading supermarket chain with operations in five southeastern states. Headquartered in Asheville, the company operates 166 supermarkets. In conjunction with its supermarket operations, the company also operates 65 neighborhood shopping centers, each of which contains an Ingles supermarket.

The company's common stock is traded on the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol IMKTA.

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ATLANTIC CITY, NJ (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Resorts International Inc., and its subsidiary, Griffin Resorts Inc., Friday announced consolidated operating results for the second quarter and the first half ended June 30, 1990.

For Resorts International Inc., the second quarter of 1990 resulted in net earnings of $803,000 as compared to a net loss of $27,896,000 for the second quarter of 1989.

Earnings from operations for the second quarter were $5,509,000, as compared to $1,257,000 for the same quarter in 1989. The first half of 1990 resulted in a net loss of $2,305,000 as compared to a net loss of $46,579,000 for the first half of 1989. The company and its subsidiaries did not accrue interest in their public debt during 1990.

For the second quarter of 1990, Griffin Resorts Inc. announced a net loss of $77,000 as compared to a net loss of $1,276,000 for the second quarter of 1989.

Griffin Resorts' earnings from operations for the second quarter of 1990 were $1,502,000, as compared to a loss from operations of $638,000 for the same period of 1989. The first half of 1990 resulted in net earnings of $2,022,000 as compared to net earnings of $3,877,000 for the first half of 1989.

Resorts International, whose creditors have approved the company's proposed plan of reorganization, is awaiting a ruling on confirmation of that plan from the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Camden, N.J. At the conclusion of the confirmation hearings by the Bankruptcy Court in July, the court announced its intention to render a decision on or before Aug. 16, 1990.

In addition, a hearing on the plan is scheduled for today at the New Jersey Casino Control Commission. A decision by the Commission is expected to be rendered by it following announcement by the Bankruptcy Court of its decision on confirmation of the plan. The plan is also subject to necessary approvals from the Government of the Bahamas.

RESORTS INTERNATIONAL INC.
Financial Highlights
(in thousands of dollars)

	Quarter Ended 6/30		First Half Ended 6/30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$109,103	$110,192	$216,647	$223,661
Earnings from operations	$ 5,509	$ 1,257	$ 5,488	$ 7,839

Net earnings (loss)	$ 803	$(27,896)	$ (2,305)	$(46,579)

GRIFFIN RESORTS INC.
Finanical Highlights
(in thousands of dollars)

	Quarter Ended 6/30		First Half Ended 6/30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$ 43,134	$ 38,516	$ 93,184	$ 88,991
Earnings (loss) from operations	$ 1,502	$ (638)	$ 7,320	$ 8,437
Net earnings (loss)	$ (77)	$ (1,276)	$ 2,022	$ 3,877

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LITTLE ROCK, AR (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Dillard Department Stores Inc. (NYSE:DDS) announced that the net income rose 53.2 percent for the quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990, to $28,722,000 vs. $18,752,000 last year.

Sales for the quarter increased to $774,564,000, compared to last year's second quarter sales of $629,203,000. This is an increase of 23.1 percent overall and a store-for-store increase of 13.8 percent. Earnings per share were 80 cents this year and 57 cents last year. Average shares outstanding were 35,991,000 for the quarter this year and 33,086,000 last year.

During the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990, sales were $1,516,946,000, compared to $1,227,268,000 last year, an increase of 23.6 percent. The store-for-store sales increase for the period was 13.9 percent. Net income for the first half this year is $58,112,000 vs. $38,334,000 last year, an increase of 51.6 percent. Earnings per share were $1.62 this year and $1.17 last year. Average shares were 35,954,000 for the six months this year vs. 32,674,000 last year.

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CAMP HILL, PA. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Consumers Financial Corp. (OTC: CFIN) Friday announced that unaudited net income for the first half of 1990 decreased to $192,000 from $882,000 in 1989, principally as a result of higher claims and expense ratios in the Credit Insurance Division.

Earnings per common share decreased from 20 cents last year to a loss of two cents in 1990. The loss per common share is due to the fact that current year earnings were less than the amount needed to cover preferred dividend requirements.

Second-quarter net income also declined from $690,000 (18 cents per share) in 1989 to $346,000 (7 cents per share) in 1990 due to the higher claims and expense levels, primarily in a newly acquired subsidiary.

Financial Highlights (Unaudited)

	Six months ended June 30		Three months ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
(in thousands except per share data) Revenues: Gross premiums written	$ 23,562	$ 26,104	$ 12,231	$ 13,993
Policy charges	1,924	1,228	962	638
Net investment income	4,277	4,088	2,152	1,965
Net realized investment gains	85	200	122	143
Fees, commissions and other income	2,498	2,148	1,307	1,035
	$ 32,346	$ 33,768	$ 16,774	$ 17,774
Net income	$ 192	$ 882	$ 346	$ 690
Net income (loss) per common and common equivalent share	$ (.02)	$ .20	$ .07	$ .18
Cash dividends declared per common share	$ .14	$ .12	NONE	NONE

	June 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
(in thousands, except per share data)		
Assets	$ 147,047	$ 153,538
Total debt	9,751	10,000
Shareholders' equity and redeemable preferred stock	26,094	26,963
Shareholders' equity per common share	6.69	6.93

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SHEFFIELD, AL (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Net interest income for nine months ended June 30, 1990, improved slightly when compared to last year.

However, an increase in two expense areas reduced net earnings from the same period in 1989. There was an increase in office occupancy expense

associated with start-up costs when the bank expanded market operations. FIRREA reporting requirements have added to professional fees and the Office of Thrift Supervision has increased assessments.

The bank's retirement program was fully funded within government regulation last year; consequently, no contributions were allowed. The resumption of funding for 1990 and increased health insurance premiums accounted for most of the personnel costs change.

Even though the numbers reflect a decline in earnings per share there has been a steady increase this year by quarters. The bank's spread continues to improve as adjustable mortgage loans reprice. Cost of funds fell last quarter and have held steady throughout this quarter.

Income during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 is expected to continually improve and should exceed any of the previous quarters of this year.

Bank management has been extremely aggressive in marketing and with personal involvement to counter the adverse publicity associated with the savings and loan crisis.

The healthy capital position of Valley Federal must be understood not only by our customer base but also by the public sector in our market area. The board of directors and management has placed a high priority on the preservation of the bank's valued image and good reputation of over 56 years.

Valley Federal's asset quality remains very high while the delinquency rate remains respectfully low. Attention to conservative loan underwriting standards has accounted for the bank's lack of problems in the portfolio.

Bank value per share of outstanding stock was $20.51 as of June 30, 1990.

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FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - DeRose Industries Inc. reported net income for the three months ending June 30, 1990 of $74,000 on net sales of $5,598,000 compared to net income of $17,000 on net sales of $4,842,000 for the same period in 1989.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $225,000 on net sales of $16,069,000 compared to a net loss of $48,000 on net sales of $13,159,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

Keith Finley, chairman and CEO, stated that sales at the manufacturing plant in Chambersburg, Pa., remained brisk during the third quarter. This quarter is normally strong year in and year out. Our raw material suppliers have indicated that while we have enjoyed improved sales over the last year, our competitors sales have slipped slightly. Our projections for the fourth quarter continue to remain on schedule.

As indicated in the second quarter report, we felt that a satisfactory resolution to the Tampa, Fla., situation was a possibility. Recent events seem to indicate that there is a possibility that this situation could be resolved in the fourth quarter. Hopefully, we will have put this behind us going into Fiscal 1991.

Our results for the nine months have been as projected and we remain confident of a satisfactory fourth quarter to achieve our projected annual earnings.

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COLLEGE POINT, NY (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - EDO Corp. (NYSE: EDO) Friday reported sales and earnings for the fiscal 1990 second quarter and six months ended June 30.

For the fiscal 1990 second quarter, EDO reported net earnings of $1,401,000, or 19 cents per share (after preferred dividends of 7 cents per share), on sales of $34,444,000. In the year-ago quarter, the company had net earnings of $1,519,000, or 21 cents per share (after preferred dividends of 7 cents per share), on sales of $35,398,000.

1990 six months net earnings were $2,710,000, or 36 cents per share (after preferred dividends of 14 cents per share), on sales of $67,192,000. In the comparable first half of 1989, net earnings were $2,938,000, or 40 cents per share (after preferred dividends of 14 cents per share), on sales of $68,110,000.

Net earnings for the 1990 second quarter and six months periods reflect the impact of an extraordinary gain realized through the purchase, in open market transactions, of approximately $2 million principal amount of EDO's 7 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2011 at prices below par value.

The net gain from retirement of these repurchased debentures contributed $526,000, or 10 cents per share, to net earnings in the 1990

second quarter and first half. EDO's board of directors has authorized purchase of up to $5 million principal amount of the company's debentures in such transactions.

Commenting on operations, EDO's president and CEO, Gerald Albert, stated, ''The slight decline in revenues in the 1990 first half versus a year ago resulted from procurement delays associated with defense budget reduction initiatives.

''The decline in profitability in the quarter reflected the lower sales volume as well as an unfavorable mix of high and low margin product deliveries within the military systems segment of our business.

''In our Marine Systems segment, the Electro-Ceramic Division is consolidating production facilities to realize long-term efficiencies. This consolidation has temporarily resulted in higher operating costs, adversely affecting the division's earnings in the current reporting periods.''

Second quarter and six months net earnings were also negatively impacted by an increase in costs stemming from legal fees incurred in connection with concluding the litigation phase of a contract dispute outlined in the company's 1989 annual report. A decision has not yet been rendered in this case.

EDO's backlog of unfilled orders stood at $166.7 million on June 30, approximately 6 percent above $157.1 million at the end of the 1989 second quarter. Albert stated, ''We are encouraged by the stability of new order input in our particular product niches enabling us to sustantially replenish production from our order backlog.''

EDO Corp. designs and manufactures advanced electronic and specialized equipment for military and commercial aerospace, marine and industrial markets.

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EXETER, NH (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated earnings of UNITIL Corp. (AMEX:UTL) for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $417,664, or 55 cents per share, the company announced Friday.

The second quarter results compare to consolidated earnings of 36 cents per share for the comparable three months a year earlier.

The earnings of the company for the first six months were also higher than the comparable period last year before the effect of a one-time accounting change which occurred in 1989. The higher earnings for both the three and six month periods are primarily due to the lack of impact on expenses in 1990 related to the ongoing, 16 month old hostile tender offer by Boston-based Eastern Utilities Associates (EUA).

The New Hampshire Public Utility Commission (NHPUC) is currently considering whether to approve or disapprove the proposed hostile acquisition and its effects on New Hampshire ratepayers. The company has already presented evidence which suggests that an acquisition by EUA would present the risk of cost increases of up to 20 percent for UNITIL's New Hampshire retail electric customers.

The Office of Consumer Advocate of the State of New Hampshire, after analyzing EUA's proposal concluded that ''...EUA has failed to make a case that the public good will be served by the proposed take-over (of UNITIL).'' The NHPUC is expected to reach a decision in the matter by the end of September.

For the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, per share earnings, before the impact of the one-time accounting change, were down 70 cents from the same period a year ago primarily due to expenses recorded in the last six months of 1989 related to the hostile takeover attempt and the company's proposed merger with Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Co.

UNITIL is a New Hampshire based utility holding company. Subsidiaries are Concord Electric Co., Exeter & Hampton Electric Co., UNITIL Power Corp., UNITIL Realty Corp., and UNITIL Service Corp.

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FITCHBURG, MASS. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Earnings of Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Co. (AMEX:FGE) for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $175,860, or $.10 per share, the company announced Friday.

The second quarter results compare to a loss of $(.42) per share for the comparable three months a year earlier.

The earnings of the company for the first six months were also markedly

higher than the comparable period last year before the effect of a one-time accounting change which occured in 1989. The higher earnings for both the three and six month periods are primarily due to the lack of impact on expenses in 1990 related to the ongoing, 16 month old hostile tender offer by Boston-based Eastern Utilities Associates (EUA).

EUA is currently involved in a proceeding before the New Hampshire Public Utility Commission which is considering whether to approve or disapprove the proposed hostile acquisition of the company's proposed merger partner, UNITIL Corp., and its effects on New Hampshire ratepayers. A decision in that proceeding is not due until the end of September.

For the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, per share earnings, before the impact of the on-time accounting change, were also up $.14 from the same period a year ago mainly due to a decrease in expenses related to the hostile takeover attempt and the company's proposed merger with UNITIL Corp.

Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Co. is an operating public utility providing electric service to over 25,000 customers and natural gas service to over 15,000 customers in north central Massachusetts.

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RENO, NV (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - FirstMiss Gold Inc. (NASDAQ:FRMG) has set Sept. 4, 1990, as the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the company's Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

The Annual Meeting will be held Nov. 1, 1990, at 1 p.m. Pacific time, at Bally's Hotel, in Reno.

FirstMiss Gold Inc. is a gold mining and exploration company with headquarters in Reno. The company's primary mining property is the Getchell mine, in north central Nevada near Winnemucca.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Re Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:PXRE) Friday announced results for the second quarter and six-month period ended

June 30, 1990.

The company's earnings continued to reflect the adverse effects of losses incurred from the European windstorms during the first quarter and the highly competitive pressures that exist in the insurance and reinsurance markets, along with the increased cost of the company's ceded reinsurance.

Revenues for the second quarter of 1990 were $10,052,000, or 1 percent less than revenues of $10,134,000 for the same period last year, and reflected a 71 percent reduction in management income due to reduced profit-related commissions on managed business. Net income for the quarter was $655,000, or 16 cents per share compared with $1,458,000, or 36 cents per share last year, representing a decline of 55 percent.

For the first half of 1990, the company's revenues declined 8 percent to $18,374,000 from $19,891,000 in the same period last year. The company reported a loss of $1,294,000 or 32 cents per share for the first six months of 1990 vs. net income of $2,958,381, or 73 cents per share in the year-earlier period.

Net premiums written for the second quarter were $6,268,000, or 18 percent less than the $7,682,000 reported in the same quarter last year. For the year to date, net premiums written were $14,110,000, compared with $15,651,000 for the year-earlier period, representing a reduction of 10 percent.

The European catastrophes have had a dual effect on the company's 1990 results in that increased loss activity also has reduced profit-related commissions on business managed by Phoenix Re for others and, therefore, has resulted in lower management fee income.

The combined ratio for the first six months was 132.0 percent compared with 94.0 percent for the same period last year. The second quarter's combined ratio was 110.6 percent compared with 95.8 percent last year, reflecting some loss development from prior quarters and reduced management income on a lower premium base.

Phoenix Re provides reinsurance products and services to a national and international marketplace, with principal emphasis on commercial and personal property risks.

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NORTH HILLS, N.Y. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Hi-Shear Industries Inc.

(NYSE:HSI) Friday reported operating results for the fourth quarter and the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

Operating results for the year ended May 31, 1990 reflect overall improvement from the prior year despite continuing losses incurred by Hi-Shear's Space and Defense Systems operation in Reno, Nev.

Earnings of Hi-Shear's Aerospace Fastening Systems improved during the year ended May 31, 1990 as a result of the continuing surge in demand for Hi-Shear's fasteners by commercial aircraft manufacturers and a firming of fastener pricing levels.

A pre-tax loss of $9 million incurred by Hi-Shear's Space and Defense Systems operations was principally due to technical and operation difficulties encountered at the Reno facility on several larger counter-measure system contracts that continue to incur additional costs and higher than anticipated levels of unabsorbed manufacturing and engineering overhead.

Hi-Shear's backlog of orders (funded and unfunded) was $95.4 million at May 31, 1990 compared with $74.8 million at May 31, 1990, and increase of 32 percent. This increase reflects an acceleration of market demand for aerospace fasteners in the commercial aircraft market.

Taking into account the foregoing results, the Board of Directors announced the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend of 5-1/2 cents per common share payable August 30 to shareholders of record August 24.

Hi-Shear is a leading designer and manufacturer of aerospace fastening systems as well as highly specialized ordnance and electronic products and systems used for space and defense applications.

Hi-Shear Industries
Financial Highlights
(000's omitted)

	3 Months Ended May 31		Year Ended May 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 32,074	$ 24,841	$ 101,159	$ 81,626
Net earnings (loss)	$ 629	$ (590)	$ 1,395(a)	$ (143)
Earnings per common share	$ .11	$ (.10)	$ .24(a)	$ (.02)

(a) Includes recovery of previously unaccrued fastener royalties ($1.3 million after tax or 22 cents per share) upon settlement of a lawsuit.

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ELKIN, N.C. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The stockholders of Mutual Federal Savings and Loan Association, Elkin, (NASDAQ/NMS:MUTU) overwhelmingly approved the acquisition of the company by Southern National Corp. at a special meeting of stockholders held Aug. 9, 1990.

Under the agreement, each Mutual Federal stockholder will receive 1.156 shares of Southern National common stock for each share of Mutual Federal common stock held. The proposed acquisition has been approved by the Office of Thrift Supervision, but must still be approved by the Federal Reserve Board.

As a result of these actions, Mutual Federal will merge with Southern National Corp. and will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of Southern National Corp.

The common stock of Mutual Federal is traded in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol MUTU.

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DENVER (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Compliance Recycling Industries Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol:CRIK) Friday announced that the company has signed a five-year lease for its Chicago facility and corporate headquarters.

The announcement was made by Jeffrey L. Stanich Sr. chairman of the waste treatment firm.

Stanich said that the lease, which has a five year option, is for 60,000 square feet of space at 911 South Menard, which is located in an Enterprise Zone.

''We plan to be fully operational from this facility by October of this year. In the meanwhile, we have been selling Compliance Systems to metal finishers and platers in the Chicago metropolitan area. The four systems that are currently installed in this region are being serviced temporarily from our regeneration center in Levittown, Pa.''

According to Stanich, the Center in Chicago will house the corporate offices, which will move to Chicago from Denver, as well as the

regeneration manufacturing and smelting activities of the company.

''When we are fully operational, we anticipate that we will employ 45 individuals at the facility,'' Stanich said.

He added, ''Our address is particularly noteworthy: in today's plating marketplace, non-compliance can mean a jail sentence at Menard State Prison. So, if you're a metal plater, and you are in need of help, write to us at 911 (for emergency help) South Menard (to avoid that place).''

Compliance Recycling Industries Inc., is a service-oriented hazardous waste treatment company whose product, The Compliance System, effectively removes toxic heavy metals and cyanides from water and allows these metals to be recycled into raw materials for use in industry. The company manufactures, sells and services its product line from Regional Operations Centers. In addition to the new Chicago Regional Operations Center, others are located in the Philadelphia and Denver areas.

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TUSTIN, Calif. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Quality Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:QSII) Friday reported revenues of $3,648,100 and net earnings of $132,900, or 3 cents per share, for the first fiscal quarter ended June 30 1990.

These results compare with revenues of $2,559,200 and net earnings of $112,700, or 3 cents per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1989. This first fiscal quarter marks a return to profitability for the company.

Revenues from sales of computer systems, upgrades and supplies increased by $1,146,600 from $1,453,900 in the first quarter of last fiscal year to $2,600,500 in this first fiscal quarter. This increase in sales is attributable to acceptance of the company's enhanced family of IBM UNIX-based medical and dental systems by both new clients and QSI's existing clients.

The cost of products and services decreased from 65 percent of revenues in the quarter ended June 30, 1989, to 62 percent in the quarter ended June 30, 1990. This decrease resulted from a greater proportion of higher margin, larger system sales in this first fiscal quarter. The company believes that its IBM UNIX-based systems are well-suited to the needs of this larger system marketplace.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased from $690,100 in

the quarter ended June 30, 1989, to $1,069,100 in the quarter ended June 30, 1990, primarily due to a significant expansion of the company's marketing and sales efforts.

This expansion included additional sales staffing and accelerated marketing and promotional activities associated with the increased market penetration of the IBM UNIX-based systems. Also, the company continued to strengthen its management and staffing structure with the addition of key personnel during the quarter.

Research and development expenditures for the quarter were $226,400 as compared with $182,600 for the prior first fiscal quarter. These expenditures reflect the company's continuing efforts to significantly enhance the functionality and flexibility of its systems.

The company remains financially strong, with $4,122,400 of cash and cash equivalents, no long-term debt and no other borrowings at June 30, 1990.

Quality Systems is engaged in the sale of computerized information-processing systems to medical and dental group practices.

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PONCE, PUERTO RICO (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Ponce Federal Bank F.S.B. (NASDAQ:PFSB) Friday announced that they have accepted, with regret, the retirement of Ramiro L. Colon Jr. Esq. as president and chief executive officer of the bank.

Colon will continue to serve as chairman of the board during an interim management transition period.

The board also announced the appointment, subject to regulatory approval, of Hans H. Hertell Esq. as president and chief operating officer of the bank succeeding Colon in those capacities. Hertell, an attorney in Puerto Rico and former partner in the law firm of Goldman, Antonetti, Ferraivoli, Axtmayer & Hertell, also serves as a public interest director of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York.

Colon was a charter member of Ponce Federal's board of directors in 1959. He was elected chairman and chief executive officer of the bank in 1972 and president in 1978. During his tenure as chief executive officer of the bank, the institution grew from a two office, mutual savings institution with $27 million in assets to a $1.3 billion, publicly owned, federal savings bank serving the Commonwealth through a 26 branch island-wide network supported by one of the stronger capital positions in

the thrift industry. Colon's business achievement and leadership qualities were acknowledged most recently by his election as president of the Chamber of Commerce of Puerto Rico for the 1989-90 fiscal year just completed.

Miguel D. Lausell, Esq., vice chairman of the board of the bank stated: ''The names Ramiro L. Colon and Ponce Federal Bank have been synonymous for three decades and have been in the forefront of much of the financial services innovation that has helped shape the economic and social well being of our island economy. We regret his withdrawal from active management of the bank but take comfort in his continuing association during the management transition period that lies ahead.''

Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B., the third largest thrift institution in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, is a federally chartered, full-service financial institution headquartered in the Southern Coastal City of Ponce, Puerto Rico.

The bank maintains an island-wide network of 26 branches and executive offices in Ponce as well as Hato Rey, the financial center of metropolitan San Juan.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Laser Systems (NASDAQ:PXLS) Friday announced that human clinical trials have commenced at the Barraquer Institute Bogata, Columbia under the guidance of Drs. Barraquer and other visiting physicians from Horatio Ferrer Institute (Miami, Fla.) and Pacific Presbyterian Medical Center (San Francisco) for Phoenix Opthalmic Surgical Workstation.

The trials began Thursday, Aug. 9.

The start of Phase I of clinical testing under FDA guidelines for corneal refractive surgery was, according to H. Alfred Sklar, director of research and development for Phoenix, a major landmark in the development of the company's technology.

Sklar went on to state that the first cases treated with Phoenix technology showed (1) clearly defined stromal lesions or ''bubbles'' as referred to by Phoenix, (2) that the lesion pattern exactly matched the

pattern programmed preoperatively, (3) that the lesion pattern was imbedded alternatively in either anterior stroma or mid-stroma following the requested pattern depth, (4) no evidence of Tindall or other inflammatory response was observed postoperatively, and (5) the early clinical response shows a refractive alteration similar to evolving patterns observed during preclinical tests.

The Phoenix Ophthalmic Surgical Workstation is a self-contained proprietary workstation that combines on-line diagnostic measurement, advanced laser beam positioning, high speed tissue tracking, and therapeutic devices for the precise control of laser surgery. The company's technology permits surgery at cellular levels without creating significant thermal damage to surrounding cells.

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HARTFORD, Conn. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Bolstered by strong performances from life insurance and investment operations, ITT Hartford Insurance Group's net income increased in both the second quarter and first six months of 1990.

However, earnings from The Hartford's property- casualty operations continued to suffer from difficult market conditions in North America.

For the quarter, net income from worldwide insurance operations totaled $69 million, up 47 percent from $47 million in the second quarter last year. For the first six months of 1990, net income grew 21 percent to $137 million, compared with $113 million during the same period in 1989.

Second-quarter and six-month results in 1989 included a $27.5 million charge against earnings due to the writedown of The Hartford's investment in Thomson McKinnon Inc., a New York-based brokerage firm.

ITT Hartford Insurance Group, a subsidiary of ITT Corp., is one of the nation's oldest and largest international insurance and financial services operations. Member companies offer commercial property and casualty insurance, automobile and homeowners coverages, and a variety of life insurance, employee benefit and asset management plans.

ITT Corp. is a diversified enterprise engaged principally in a variety of product and service businesses that includes insurance, finance, automotive, electronic components and hotels.

To strengthen its identity as a member company of ITT Corp., the company

now identifies itself publicly as ''ITT Hartford.'' The legal names of the companies that comprise ITT Hartford Insurance Group have not changed.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Peter J. Fearon has been named president of Universal Brands Inc. by Kenneth D. Anderson, chairman of Universal.

Headquartered in Miami, Fla., Universal is among the largest beer and beverage industry distributors in the country.

A veteran of 28 years in the brewing industry, Fearon was most recently president of Martlet Importing Co., the U.S. importer of Canada's Molson Beer & Ale, the largest selling Canadian Beer in the U.S. market. Before joining Molson in 1985, he was with Universal Brands as General Sales Manager responsible for the operations of their five branches covering Vero Beach to Key West.

Fearon began his career in the brewing business as a salesman for the Shaefer Brewery in New York and progressed within the industry to increasing responsibilities throughout the country at the brewer, importer and distributor levels. He maintains a residence in Boca Raton and will be relocating there on a permanent basis.

Fearon succeeds William G. Wiegand, current president of Universal Brands. Wiegand will remain to aid Fearon during the management transition period.

Universal's brands include those of Coors Brewing Co., Stroh Brewing, Heinekens, Becks, Corona, Perrier and New York Seltzer.

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TIMONIUM, Md. (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Kirschner Medical Corp. (NASDAQ:KMDC) Friday reported profits for the second quarter of 1990 and

the six months ended June 30.

Kirschner reported revenues from continuing operations for the second quarter of 1990 of $16,633,000 compared with $14,586,000 for the same period of 1989, an increase of 14 percent.

Earnings from continuing operations for the second quarter were $437,000, or 18 cents per share. Earnings from continuing operations for the second quarter of 1989 were $1,287,000, or 53 cents per share.

Gains from discontinued operations for the second quarter of 1990 of $1,712,000, or 71 cents per share compared with a loss of $610,000, or 25 cents per share for the second quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, revenues from continuing operations of $32,289,000 increased 17 percent when compared with $27,538,000 for the same period of 1989.

Earnings from continuing operations for the first six months of 1990 of $924,000, or 38 cents per share compared to $2,312,000, or 95 cents per share for the same period of 1989. Gains from discontinued operations for the six months ended June 30, of $482,000, or 20 cents per share compared with a loss of $1,198,000, or 49 cents per share for the same period of 1989.

The company said the quarterly increase in product revenues from continuing operations is attributed to growth in the sales of the Performance Knee and I.Q.L.'s reconstructive implant and F.V.M. spinal products, and the inclusion of sales of medical video systems by M.P. Video in 1990.

The gains from discontinued operations reflect the settlement of all existing legal disputes with ALM Equipment Hospitaliers, S.A., a former supplier of surgical lights to the Chick Medical Products Division and represents the reversal of previously established reserves offset by certain costs in connection with that litigation.

Kirschner said it has now completed the physical separation of its Chick and AOA businesses. Chick remains in Greenwood, S.C. and All Orthopedic Appliances administrative, sales and marketing functions have been relocated to Timonium.

Kirschner develops, manufactures and markets orthopedic instruments and implants including Reconstructive Surgery and Trauma Devices, Orthopedic Support Products and Medical Endoscopic Systems.

The company operates facilities in Timonium; Fair Lawn, N.J.; Delray Beach Fla.; Marlow, Okla.; Hopkinton, Mass.; and Valencia, Spain.

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CRANFORD, NJ (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Tofutti Brands Inc. (AMEX: TOF) Friday announced results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales for the thirteen weeks ended June 30, 1990 were $1,218,000 compared to net sales of $2,099,000 for the thirteen weeks ended July 1, 1989. Net loss for the thirteen weeks was $157,000, or $0.03 per share, compared to a net loss of $153,000, or $0.03 per share, reported in the comparable thirteen weeks last year.

For the twenty-six weeks ended June 30, 1990, net sales were $2,731,000 compared to net sales of $4,251,000 for the twenty-six weeks ended July 1, 1989. Net loss for the twenty-six weeks was $47,000, or $0.01 per share, compared to a net loss of $145,000, or $0.03 per share, reported in the comparable twenty-six weeks last year.

Tofutti Brands Inc. is principally involved in the development, production and marketing of Tofutti brand nondairy frozen desserts which contain no cholesterol or butterfat. The Company markets Tofutti in hard-pack pints, Tofutti Cuties and Tofutti Fruttir. Tofutti products, "Better Than Creamcheese" and Egg Watchers, are sold in grocery stores, supermarkets and retail stores.

TOFUTTI BRANDS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
($ in 000's, except per share figures)

	13 Weeks Ended		26 Weeks Ended	
	6/30/90	7/1/89	6/30/90	7/1/89
Net Sales	$ 1,218	$ 2,099	$ 2,731	$ 4,251
Cost of Sales	801	1,286	1,630	2,512
Gross Profit	417	813	1,101	1,739
Operating Expenses	556	900	1,139	1,809
Operating Loss	139	87	38	70
Other income: Interest and sundry income (expense), net	18	35	8	42
Loss before income				

tax expense	157	122	46	112
Income tax expense	--	31	1	33
Net Loss	$ 157	$ 153	$ 47	$ 145
Net Loss per share	$ 0.03	$ 0.03	$ 0.01	$ 0.03
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	5,439	5,439	5,439	5,439

CONTACT: Keith L. Lippert Associates, New York, Keith L. Lippert, John W. Heilshorn, Jr., (212) 838-3777.

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#90222b0760 08/10/1990 ~Business Wire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Jefferson Bank's assets totalled $406 million at June 30, a 14-percent increase over the prior June total of $357 million, announced Betsy Z. Cohen, chairman of the board.

Total loans increased to $317 million at June 30, a 15-percent increase for the 12-month period then ended. Deposits increased during the same period from $321 million to $367 million. Earnings and earnings per share for the second quarter, respectively, totalled $588,000 and 18 cents compared to $665,000 and 21 cents in the comparable prior year period.

Pressure on the bank's interest margin continued as the cost of funds remains high. Jefferson Bank has recently completed a substantial expansion of its branch system, opening new offices in Exton, Bala Cynwyd and Manayunk during the past six months. The addition of these branches should generate new loans and core deposits and help to reduce the bank's cost of funds.

Jefferson Bank is a commercial bank, member FDIC, which has been serving the Delaware Valley for 16 years. The bank has 13 locations in Philadelphia, Montgomery and Chester Counties.

CONTACT: Jefferson Bank, Philadelphia
Paul Frenkiel, 215-269-6500

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#90222b0763 08/10/1990 ~Business Wire

ATLANTA (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Fulton Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ:FFSB) reported Friday that, in light of the rejection by the district director of the Office of Thrift Supervision (the ''OTS'') of its capital plan, the bank had entered into an operating agreement with the OTS.

The agreement essentially embodies the existing growth and investment restrictions to which the bank is subject and reflects the board of

directors' willingness to work with the OTS in effectuating a resolution of the institution's substantial capital deficiency.

CONTACT: Fulton Federal Savings Bank, Atlanta
James J. Wallace, 404/249-7309

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#90222b0765 08/10/1990 ~Business Wire
DECATUR, AL (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - William D. Powell, president and chief executive officer of First Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ/NMS: FFSD), Decatur, Friday announced that First Federal's board of directors has increased the quarterly cash dividend to 15 cents per share on the savings bank's common stock.

This is a 50 percent increase from the previous quarterly cash dividend of ten cents per share. The cash dividend will be payable on Sept. 20, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Aug. 31, 1990.

"The 50 percent increase in our quarterly cash dividend is indicative of the strong financial performance demonstrated by First Federal in fiscal year 1990," stated Powell. "Our asset quality remains extremely high and our earnings continue to show improvement. We look forward to reporting our year-end results to you."

First Federal is a federally chartered, and FDIC-insured savings bank operating seven full-service offices in north Alabama.

CONTACT: First Federal Savings Bank, Decatur, William D. Powell or C. Raymond Duncan, (205) 353-2530.

-30- 1256
#90222b0775 08/10/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Commodore Environmental Services, Inc. (OTC) Friday announced that it has completed the sale of its wholly-owned subsidiaries Hesco Environmental Safety Co., Inc. (''Hesco'') and AWI Environmental Services, Inc. (''Allwash'').

As part of Management's ongoing effort to reduce Commodore's outstanding debt to its lending institution, the Company sold its environmental business. Hesco Environmental Safety Co., Inc., was purchased by a company controlled by members of the Hesco management team. In consideration of the sale of Hesco stock to the Hesco buyers, the Buyers repaid approximately $22 million of Hesco's related debt to its lending institution.

Commodore also sold its 80.1 pct. shares of common stock and all of the

outstanding preferred stock of its Allwash subsidiary for approximately $9,320,000 in cash and a release of certain bank debt guaranteed by Commodore, to members of the management team and other investors. Substantially all of the net cash proceeds from the Allwash sale will be applied to the retirement of certain outstanding Commodore obligations. In addition, in the transaction the buyer assumed approximately $9,300,000 of Allwash's existing indebtedness. Commodore noted that it plans to acquire a new business or businesses. It intends to form a committee to seek out and investigate acquisition possibilities by the Company. The Company will consider acquisitions in a number of business areas and will look for companies that are currently profitable.

Commodore also announced the resignation of Steven M. Weiss as Chairman, President, Chief Executive Officer and a Director of the Company.

CONTACT: Commodore Environmental Services Inc., New York
Melissa C. Berkowitz, 212/308-5800

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#90222b0782 08/10/1990 ~Business Wire

MILWAUKEE (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Badger Meter Inc. (AMEX:BMI) announced Friday that a special meeting of the shareholders has been scheduled to vote on a proposal to allow present and future officers of the company to own its Class B stock.

Currently only Class B shareholders may acquire Class B stock. Class B stock is entitled to ten votes per share and the Common stock, which is publicly traded, is entitled to one vote per share. The proposal does not involve the issuance of any additional shares. Earlier this year, Badger Meter had sought a determination by AMEX that the proposal did not contravene SEC Rule l9c-4, which prohibited listed corporations from taking actions which would restrict per share voting rights of existing shareholders. At that time, AMEX deferred its decision on the proposal pending SEC action on an AMEX proposed rule change involving a similar issue. Rule l9c-4 has since been vacated by a Federal Court of Appeals.

James L. Forbes, president and chief executive officer, said that allowing officers to participate in the voting control of the company will increase the company's ability to attract and retain high quality officers and will contribute to the continued stability of the management of the company.

The meeting is scheduled to be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 18, at the Milwaukee Club, 706 North Jefferson, Milwaukee. Badger Meter Inc. is a leading marketer and manufacturer of products using flow measurement and control technology serving the industrial and utility markets worldwide.

CONTACT: Badger Meter Inc., Milwaukee

Joan C. Zimmer, 414/355-0400

-30- 1802
#90222b0783 08/10/1990 ~Business Wire
WAREHAM, MA (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Tons of Toys Inc. (NASDAQ:TONS) and T.H.E. Corp. Inc. Friday announced that they have completed their exchange of shares, and have funded Tons of Toys' reprganization as previously approved by the United States Bankruptcy Court in Boston.

The shareholders of T.H.E. Corp. Inc., the parent company of Merchants West, Karl's, Toys Plus and Toys Galore, have exchanged their shares for a controlling interest in Tons of Toys. Thereafter, these corporations will manage 52 stores on the east and west coasts. In connection with this exchange, PT. Bank Niaga, Los Angeles Agency, T.H.E. Corp. Inc.'s principal lender, has increased its credit line to provide credit to Tons of Toys to finance inventory and working capital requirements.

A venture capital investor and bank which held convertible subordinated debt of Tons of Toys have exchanged this debt for shares of convertible preferred stock of Tons of Toys. In addition, PT. Bank Niaga, Los Angeles Agency's investment banking group has been retained to assist the companies in obtaining equity financing.

Bruno R. Ferretti, president, stated that the reorganization now allows Tons of Toys to resume normal operations in its stores. Tons of Toys operates 20 toy supermarkets in Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island and Vermont. Its product line features more than 8,000 brand name toys, wheel goods, and juvenile and baby needs products. Merchants West, Karl's, Toys Galore and Toys Plus operate 32 toy stores in California, Nevada and the State of Washington.

CONTACT: Tons of Toys, Wareham
Bruno R. Ferretti, 508/295-2003

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#90222b0790 08/10/1990 ~Business Wire
HAMMONTON, NJ (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Empire Financial Corp. (EMPR), the parent company of Empire Savings Bank, SLA and subsidiary, Friday announced that the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) completed its examination of Empire and as a result, Empire will be required to increase its provision for loan and real estate losses by $3.9 million.

Empire previously reported that additional reserves may be required as a result of the examination.

The additional provision for loan and real estate losses will bring

Empire's total loans and real estate loss reserves to $9.2 million and although results of operations for the year ended June 30 are as yet unavailable, management anticipates that Empire will report a loss for the year ended June 30. However, Empire said it expects to recognize a $1.2 million tax refund from its 1990 federal tax return due to the recovery of taxes paid in prior years under the loss carry back provisions of the tax law.

This will have the effect of reducing the loss for the period.

Empire's non-performing assets increased to $23.8 million or 10.9 percent of total assets of $218 million at June 30, compared to $11.4 million or 4.9 percent of total assets of $233 million at March 31. The increase in non-performing assets was attributable to several large real estate construction loans and direct investments in real estate becoming non-performing during the quarter.

Empire previously reported that the bank did not meet applicable capital standards and would be submitting a revised capital plan to the OTS. A revised capital plan was filed and Empire plans to submit an amendment to its revised capital plan to reflect the additional reserves which have further reduced Empire's capital below the regulatory standards as well as to provide other updated information. OTS has not yet acted upon the revised plan.

Since the filing of its revised capital plan, Empire has been working toward restoring the bank's capital and Empire is involved in negotiations which could result in the infusion of additional capital although no assurance can be made at this time that a transaction will ultimately be consummated.

President and Chief Executive Officer Frank M. Calletta noted, ''These results reflect the more conservative approach by federal regulators in making thrift industry credit evaluations relating to loan and real estate loss reserves and the current uncertain economic trends of the real estate market.

''Empire's $9.2 million of loan and real estate reserves represents approximately 39 percent of the bank's total non-performing assets. This ratio of total reserves to non-performing assets compares favorably to the thrift industry, particularly for thrifts of Empire's asset size. In addition, Empire has been concentrating on decreasing its investment in real estate construction loans and direct real estate investments.

''Empire's recent efforts have resulted in an $10.8 million, or 43 percent reduction in real estate construction loans as of June 30, 1990 compared to June 30, 1989. Similarly, Empire has reduced its direct investment in real estate $3.5 million or 34 percent, net of reserves established,

during the same period.''

Headquartered in Hammonton, N.J., Empire Financial Corp. is a unitary savings and loan holding company, which owns and operates Empire Savings Bank, SLA, and its subsidiary. Empire Savings Bank, SLA, a New Jersey chartered thrift and equal opportunity lender, operates full service banking centers in southern New Jersey. Empire's customer accounts are insured to the fullest extent permitted by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.'s Savings Association Insurance Fund.

CONTACT: Empire Financial Corp., Hammonton
Adele Harper, 609/561-2222

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#90222b0794 08/10/1990 ~Business Wire

MERRIMACK, NH (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Chemical Fabrics Corp. (CHEMFAB) (OTC:CMFB) Friday announced results for its fourth quarter and year ended June 30, 1990, and recent developments in the Metrodome litigation.

As previously announced, in April 1990, a Minneapolis jury assessed $2.2 million in damages against CHEMFAB under a lawsuit filed in connection with the construction in 1981 of the roof on the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome stadium. Interest on the assessment through June 30, 1990 amounted to an additional $1.3 million. On August 9, 1990, the company was informed that the trial court denied its motions for relief from the judgement and, in the alternative, for a new trial. Accordingly, the company has now established a $3.5 million reserve to provide for this loss contingency, resulting in a $2.9 million non-recurring pre-tax charge to earnings, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This charge to earnings, net of changes to certain profit-based accruals and the company's overall effective tax rate, reduced earnings for the quarter by 33 cents per share.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, CHEMFAB's worldwide sales increased by 16 percent to $13,140,000 compared with $11,295,000 for the same quarter in fiscal 1989. As a result of the above described non-recurring charge to earnings, net income for the quarter fell to $26,000 or 1 cent per share, compared with net income of $1,145,000 or 23 cents per share for the same quarter in the prior fiscal year. Gross profit margins on fourth quarter consolidated net sales improved to 36 percent from 34 percent for the comparable quarter in 1989.

Commenting on the loss reserve, Duane C. Montopoli, CHEMFAB's president and chief exeuctive officer said, ''Although the time has come to get the Metrodome litigation behind us from an accounting standpoint, we're a long way from conceding defeat in the matter. We will now appeal the verdict

at a higher court level, and we remain optimistic that we will ultimately prevail in this dispute.''

For the year ended June 30, 1990, CHEMFAB's worldwide sales increased by 23 percent to $48,726,000 from $39,751,000 for fiscal 1989.

Full year net income was $3,697,000 or 73 cents per share, compared with net income of $4,096,000 or 84 cents per share for fiscal 1989. Gross profit margins on consolidated net sales for the year improved to 35 percent from 34 percent for fiscal 1989. Net income for the prior fiscal year included an extraordinary item in the amount of $432,000 resulting from the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards. Income before extraordinary item was $3,664,000 or 75 cents per share. Fiscal 1990 results do not include the benefit of any extraordinary item.

CHEMFAB is an international advanced performance materials company that designs, manufactures and markets flexible composite products intended for use in extreme environments. Typical products consist of woven fiberglass or other high-strength reinforcements coated or laminated with thermoplastics and elastomers, and specialty fluoropolymer films. Worldwide end-use applications are in industrial, architectural, communications, military and protective clothing markets.

CONTACT: Chemical Fabrics Corp., Merrimack
William H. Everett, 603/424-9000
by
Albert Frank-Guenther Law Inc., New York
Mona G. Goldberg, 212/248-5200

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HUNTINGTON STATION, NY (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Protein Databases Inc. (OTC:PDIQ) Friday reported net loss for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $107,265 on revenues of $581,774 compared with net loss of $336,600 on revenues of $179,451 for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

The per share loss was $.001 in the second quarter of 1990 compared with $.004 in the same period of 1989. The net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $274,181 on revenues of $1,040,385 compared with net loss of $696,198 on revenues of $369,076 for the six months ended June 30, 1989. The per share loss was $.003 in the six months ended June 30, 1990 compared with $.007 in the same period of 1989.

The revenues include Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM) equipment costs of $263,367 and $438,068 in the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, respectively, as compared with $79,645 and $147,131 of such sales in the second quarter and first six months of 1989, respectively.

However, the company's present financial position is remains critical. Additional funds will be required during the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 or shortly thereafter. The company is exploring potential sources of additional financing but there can be no assurance that additional funds from external sources will be available, in which event, the company may be forced to cease operations.

Protein Databases Inc. markets protein and DNA analysis software systems for life science research and biotechnology applications at universities and research hospital laboratories, and at government, industrial and other research laboratories and comparable foreign institutions.

CONTACT: Protein Databases Inc., Huntington Station
Alan P. Chodosh, 516/673-3939

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#90222b0807 08/10/1990 ~Business Wire

TORONTO (AUG. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Corona Corp. Friday reported net earnings of $15.1 million, or 9 cents per share, for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

Net earnings for the same period in 1989 were $18.9 million, or 12 cents per share, and included an extraordinary item of $581,000 which represented a reduction of deferred income taxes on the application of previous years' losses.

The results for the first half of 1990 reflect higher operating earnings offset by lower interest and investment income and higher interest expenses and depreciation charges. Earnings in 1989 included a gain on the monetization of a gold loan of $7,688,000.

Second-quarter net earnings were $4.6 million, or 2 cents per share, in 1990 and $13.9 million, or 9 cents per share, in 1989. The 1990 results primarily reflect lower operating earnings and lower interest and investment income.

Revenues for the first half of 1990 were $166.9 million compared with $149.3 million for the same period in 1989. Second-quarter revenues of $75.8 million in 1990 compared with 1989 second-quarter revenues of $80 million.

Higher gold production in 1990, primarily from the Williams, David Bell, Marigold and Santa Fe mines, was offset by lower realized gold prices and the strong Canadian dollar, especially in the second quarter.

Production of gold and gold equivalent for the six months of 1990 was

367,012 ounces, an increase of 14.8 percent over the 319,616 ounces of gold and gold equivalent produced in the first half of 1989.

Direct operating-costs-per-ounce of gold produced declined by 10 percent to an average of $203 (USDLR) in the first half of 1990, in spite of a strong Canadian dollar. In the equivalent 1989 period Corona's direct operating costs averaged $226 (USDLR) per ounce of gold.

In calculating basic earnings per share, the weighted average number of shares outstanding for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was 149.1 million, compared with 135.6 million for the year-earlier period. Earnings-per-share figures for both years are after preference-share dividends.

CONTACT: Corona Corp., Toronto
D. Brian Hay or Igor Levental, 416/862-2000

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#90222c0002 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:25 that trade in Pic'n'Save (NASDAQ: PICN) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 10.

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#90222c0003 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:30 that trade in JLG Ind. Inc.(NASDAQ: JLGI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 20. The company is located in McConnellsburg, PA.

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#90222c0004 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:35 that trade in Diversicare Corp. Of America (NASDAQ: DVIC) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 1 1/16. The company is located in Franklin, TN.

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#90222c0005 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in Clinical Technologies Associates Inc. (NASDAQ: CTAI) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 10 7/8. The company is located in Elmsford, NY.

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#90222c0006 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Kay Jewelers Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol KJI. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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#90222c0007 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:03 that trade in Webster Clothes Inc. (NASDAQ: WEBS) has been resumed. The first sale was 5; up 3 points from the halt, and up 3 1/4 points from the previous close.

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#90222c0009 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:13 that trade in Diversicare Corp. of America (NASDAQ: DIVC) has been resumed. The first bid was 1 1/4; up 3/16 points from the halt and from the previous close.

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#90222c0010 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:17 that trade in Montana Precision Mining (NASD: MPML) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 1 1/8.

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#90222c0011 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in SL Industries has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol SL. Trading was resumed at 10:25.

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#90222c0012 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 8:

H & S Treat & Release Inc. - Units 8/14/90 (TRREU); Component no longer qualifies

Forum Re Group Ltd. (FRMBF); Not current in required filings Intellicall Inc. (INCL); Listed on NYSE

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#90222c0013 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Aug. 10:

Jackson County Federal S&L Assn. - Series A Pfd. (JCFSP) to Jackson County Federal Bank, A Federal Savings Bank - Series A Pfd. (JCFSP)

Multivest Corp. (MVSTE) to (MVST) Terra Mines Ltd. (TMEXF) to (TMEFE)

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#90222c0014 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:01 that trade in Montana Precision Mining LTD (NASDAQ: MPML) has been resumed. The first bid/ask was 1/8, 1/2; unchanged from the halt and from the previous close.

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#90222c0015 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GOLDMAN SACHS & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 517,750 SHARES (5.47%) OF ARGONAUT GROUP INC (TICKER: AGII) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Goldman Sachs & Co. purchased 105,300 shares from May 24 to July 27, 1990 for $8,031,782 and sold 20,500 shares on May 24, 1990 for $1,536,475.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90222c0018 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 17

GROUP LED BY ITM ACQUISITION CORP OWNS 25,843,009 SHARES (61.10%) OF MACK TRUCKS INC (TICKER: MACK) OF ALLENTOWN, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 12,592,509 shares which RVI has the right to acquire, plus 500 shares owned by Mr. Raoul Chabot. In a press release dated Aug. 9, 1990, Renault Vehicules Industriels S.A., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Regie Nationale des Usines Renault, announced that the term of the tender offer by ITM Acquisition Corp., an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of RVI, had been extended to Aug. 22, 1990 in order to provide more time to satisfy the conditions of the offer, including the expiration or termination of the waiting period under the HSR Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976. The amended offer will now require receipt by Mack of an extension of the maturity of the Mack Financial Corp. revolving credit agreement and certain waivers from lenders to Mack prior to the expiration of the offer.

PURPOSE:

Extension of offer.

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#90222c0020 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

BRADMAR PETROLEUM CORP OWNS 13,390,518 SHARES (79.90%) OF PETROLEUM INVESTMENTS LTD (TICKER: PIL) OF OKLAHOMA CITY, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 3, 1990, pursuant to the offer to exchange, each of the executive officers, directors and controlling persons of the bidder and their associates disposed of all of his or its depositary units; and on Aug. 6, 1990, the bidder accepted all of the depositary units tendered pursuant to the offer to exchange, for a total of 13,390,518 depositary units, in exchange for 1,339,052 shares of common stock.

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#90222c0021 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GROUP LED BY CHARTWELL ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 14,824,100 SHARES (26.21%) OF AVON PRODUCTS INC (TICKER: AVP) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Malakand also paid $432,632.43 in carrying charges to the seller, pursuant to the option agreement.

LATEST TRANSACTION: Malakand Associates LP expended $195,000,000 to purchase a total of 5,200,000 shares of common stock, including the purchase by Malakand of 1,223,508 shares on Aug. 8, 1990 for $37.50 per share in accordance with the option purchase agreement.

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#90222c0022 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 8, 1990, John A. Kanas of North Fork met with members of the board of Eastchester Financial (TICKER: ECFC) and advised them that, based on Eastchester's financial condition and operations for the period ending June 30, 1990, North Fork would not be prepared to consummate the merger at the price of $20 per share of common stock contemplated by the merger agreement, but that North Fork would be willing to acquire Eastchester on significantly revised terms.

PURPOSE:

merger conference.

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#90222c0023 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

MULTIPLEX ELECTRICAL SERVICES INC OWNS 263,214 SHARES (5.80%) OF FIRECOM INC (TICKER: FRCM) OF DEER PARK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From March 1 to July 31, 1990, Multiplex Electrical Services Inc. acquired 116,000 shares for $.17 to $.28 per share.

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#90222c0024 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY WOODLAND VENTURE FUND OF ROSLYN, NY OWNS 302,213 SHARES (6.30%) OF VELOBIND INC (TICKER: VBND) OF SUNNYVALE, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From June 6 to Aug. 1, 1990, Woodland Venture Fund purchased 77,900 shares at prices from $6.38 to $6.78 per share.

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#90222c0025 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 797,300 SHARES (5.10%) OF MILLICOM INC (TICKER: MILL) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT: No other significant information was included.

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#90222c0027 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

LATEST TRANSACTION:

D.A. Skier recently purchased 50,000 shares of Eye Technology Inc. (TICKER: EYTK) at an undisclosed price.

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#90222c0028 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a definitive stock purchase agreement, CSX Sea Land Logistics Inc. sold 1.1 million common shares of Country Wide Transport Services Inc.

(TICKER: CWTS) to Kenneth R. Adams. All of the shares were previously subject to an option and proxy in favor of Adams, however, the terms of the purchase agreement are independent of those of the option. As a result of the agreement, CSX Sea Land Logistics Inc. no longer has a beneficial interest in any of the common stock of Country Wide Transport Services Inc.

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#90222c0029 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

J.A. POWELL & A.E. POWELL & R.R. OBOD OWN 1,108,662 SHARES (11.12%) OF AMERICAN TRAVELLERS CORP (TICKER: ATVC) OF WARRINGTON, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result of the sale by the estate of Francis E. Powell Jr. of 300,000 shares of American Travellers Corp., J.A. Powell & A.E. Powell & R.R. Obod beneficially own 1,108,662 shares or 11.12 percent of the outstanding common stock of American Travellers Corp.

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#90222c0030 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:47 that trade in Clinical Technologies Associates Inc. (NASDAQ: CTAI) has been resumed. The first bid was 10 3/4; down 1/8 point from the halt and from the previous close.

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#90222c0031 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - Consolidated NRD Resources Ltd.(TICKER: NRDR) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it lost $64,735, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $120 for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $123,163, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $345 for the same period in 1989.

The company is a Canadian-based mining concern.

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#90222c0032 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Home Federal Savings Bank of Fort Collins, Colorado, formerly Home Federal

S&L Assn. of the Rockies (TICKER: HROK), lost $135,000, or $0.25 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $72,000, or $0.13 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90222c0033 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - MacLand Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1 million units. Each unit consists of two shares of common stock and one redeemable common stock purchase warrant.

The estimated minimum and maximum unit offering price is $1.50 to $2.50 per unit.

Cohig & Associates and Paradise Valley Securities Inc. are managing the offering.

MacLand is engaged in the business of marketing, through mail-order and direct sales, computer hardware and accessories compatible with the MacIntosh line of Apple computers.

Macland Inc.'s executive office is located at 5006 South Ash Ave., Suite 101, Tempe, Arizona 85282 and its telephone number is (602) 820-5802.

-30- 895

#90222c0035 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 31, 1990, Celltronics Inc.(TICKER: CELT) completed the disposition of its Neutec division pursuant to an agreement dated April 1, 1990.

The executive office of Celltronics is located at 10040 Mesa Rim Road, San Diego, California 92121 and its telephone number is (619) 587-0656.

-30- 506

#90222c0036 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 7, 1990, Graystone Companies Inc. reported preliminary results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990. Graystone reports revenues of approximately $413,301 and a pre-tax net loss of approximately $377,556.

Graystone also announced that all efforts to secure financing which would enable it to maintain current staffing until its Form S-1 registration statement currently on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission has

been declared effective had not been successful to date.

Graystone reports it is still attempting to borrow or raise equity capital of approximately $250,000 which it believes would give it sufficient working capital through Oct. 1990.

Due to its deteriorating working capital situation, on Aug. 3 Graystone reports it reduced its work force from 35 full time employees to 30 full time e mployees.

Graystone Companies Inc. reports additional layoffs are anticipated over the next two weeks.

On Aug. 3, 1990, Stephen B. Hadelman resigned as a director of Graystone Companies Inc.

Graystone's executive office is located at 8 South Commons Road, Waterbury CT 06704 and its telephone number is (203) 755-4226.

-30- 1415

#90222c0037 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - Carolco Pictures Inc.(TICKER: CRC) filed a Form S-3 registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer $100 million in aggregate principal amount of debentures due Aug. 15, 201 Bear Stearns & Co. and Salomon Brothers are managing the offering.

Carolco is a diversified entertainment company.

-30- 489

#90222c0038 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - GI Group Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 75 units.

Each unit consists of 10,000 shares of common stock, 30,000 Class A warrants and 30,000 Class B warrants.

Each Class A warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $1.50 per share and each Class B warrant entitles the holder to purchase one common share at $1.75.

The initial public offering price is $10.00 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of GI Group Inc. is specified.

GI Group Inc.'s executive office is located at 777 So. Harbour Island

Blvd., Suite 200, Tampa, Florida 33602 and its telephone number is (813) 223-7005.

-30- 921

#90222c0039 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:58 that trade in McDermott International (NASDAQ: MDR) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

-30- 345

#90222c0040 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:22 that trade in CPC Rexel (NASDAQ: CPST) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last bid was 1 3/4.

-30- 305

#90222c0041 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective June 1, 1990, Mr. Roland Hobbs resigned as chairman of the board of Wesbanco Inc.(TICKER: WSBC) due to personal reasons.

On June 21, 1990, Mr. James C. Gardill was elected as the new chairman of the board.

-30- 433

#90222c0043 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 2, 1990, HQ Office International Inc.(TICKER: HQOI) authorized are of the exercise price of its outstanding Class A warrants.

The reduction is price is from $2.00 per share to $1.50 per share for a 30-day period commencing Aug. 6, 1990 and Sept. 5, 1990. After Sept. 5, the exercise price of the warrants will return to $2.00 per share.

HQ Office International Inc. reports the purpose of the reduction in the exercise price of the warrants is to accelerate financing of HQ Office International Inc.'s expansion plans by making exercise of the warrants more attractive to warrant holders.

-30- 825

#90222c0044 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 30, 1990, The Learning Annex Inc. appointed Grant Thornton as its

independent accountants, replacing Deloitte & Touche.

Deloitte & Touche's report on The Learning Annex Inc.,'s financial statements for each of the past two fiscal years contained a qualification concerning its ability to continue as a going concern due to its recurring losses from operations and a significant deficiency in working capital and shareholder's equity.

The report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989 also contained a qualification regarding the outcome of certain litigation and the fact that the Learning Annex does not carry certain insurance coverage.

-30- 865

#90222c0045 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 1, 1990, Baroid Corp.(TICKER: BRC) announced it is considering a plan whereby Baroid Corp. would be separated into two publicly-traded companies through a tax-free spinoff.

Each firm would be owned pro rata by Baroid's existing shareholders.

Under the plan being considered, one company would include Baroid's existing petroleum services businesses; the other would be comprised of its titanium metals business andcertain mining operations.

-30- 664

#90222c0046 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 6, 1990, Nature's Bounty Inc.(TICKER: NBTY) agreed to acquire the mail order operations and certain other assets of Sturdee Health Products Co Inc., Biorganic Brands Inc., and Sturdee Co.

The firms are in the business of selling and marketing vitamins and nutritional supplements and will continue in such business, after the closing, with respect to foreign sales and sales at one retail location.

The total purchase price is to be determined by a formula on the closing date, which is expected to be on or before Feb. 15, 1991.

-30- 777

#90222c0047 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in McDermott International has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol MDR. Trading was resumed at 1:50.

-30- 357
#90222c0048 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 23

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 8, 1990, the Delaware District Court denied Stahl's motion to transfer the action to a US District Court in New York. On Aug. 9, 1990, the Chancery Court denied Stahl's motion for summary judgement in the action. Also on Aug. 9, Apple Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: APK) announced that it will hold its annual meeting on Oct. 1, 1990, with Aug. 23, 1990 as the date of record for shareholders.

-30- 601
#90222c0051 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY THE MAYBACO COMPANY OWNS 7,552,775 SHARES (8.80%) OF MNC FINANCIAL INC (TICKER: MNC) OF BALTIMORE, MD.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an Aug. 3, 1990 commitment letter, Lerner agreed to purchase 1.8 million new series A cumulative convertible 12 percent voting preferred shares for $100 per share, convertible into 16,744,186 MNC common shares, giving him a total stake of 23.7 percent if converted. The letter also provides Lerner with an exemption from the Maryland business combination statement and requires the approval of the Federal Reserve. Also on Aug. 3, 1990, Lerner and MNC amended their consulting agreement to remove the restrictions preventing him from acquiring MNC common stock.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 946
#90222c0053 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows FNB Rochester Corp.(TICKER: FNBR) earned $535,000, or $0.27 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $712,000, or $0.36 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 412

#90222c0054 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bayport Restaurants Group Inc.(TICKER: PORT) earned $51,423 (including an extraordinary gain of $71,174), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $6.05 million for the quarter ended June 25, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $18,388, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $5.71 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 554

#90222c0055 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ico Inc.(TICKER: ICOC) earned $273,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $8.87 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $228,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $7.82 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 463

#90222c0056 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Gamma International Ltd.(TICKER: GAMM) lost $118,487 (including an extraordinary loss of $50,000), or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $3.64 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $999,269, or $0.89 per share, on revenues of $3.50 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 523

#90222c0057 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Crown Andersen Inc.(TICKER: CRAN) earned $182,106 (including a loss of $118,899 from discontinued operations), or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $4.47 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.07 million ($2.36 million loss from discontinued operations), or $1.39 per share, on revenues of $4.45 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 584
#90222c0058 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Production Operators Corp.(TICKER: PROP) earned $1.17 million, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $13.96 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.36 million, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $13.94 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 504
#90222c0059 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.T. W TRUST OF 6727 ODESSA AVE, VAN NUYS, CA 91406, HAS FILED TO SELL 51,000 SHARES OF PINKERTON'S INC. (TICKER: PKTN) THROUGH WERTHEIM SCHRODER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 6, 1990.

(PINKERTON'S INC. TEL: 818 782-5400)

-30- 407
#90222c0061 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M. WAYNE & B. TRUST OF 1201 EAST KATELLA AVE, ORANGE, CA 92667, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,042 SHARES OF ORANGE NATIONAL BANCORP. THROUGH BATEMAN EICHLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 7, 1990.

(ORANGE NATIONAL BANCORP. TEL: 714 771-4000)

-30- 428
#90222c0062 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PACIFIC NATIONAL VENTURE INC OF 101 CONVENTION CENTER DR #909, LAS VEGAS, NV 89109, HAS FILED TO SELL 66,000 SHARES OF MACLAND INC. THROUGH ALLIANCE SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 7, 1990.

(MACLAND INC. TEL: 602 820-5802)

-30- 421
#90222c0063 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E.G. VIMOND JR OF P O BOX 252, FAR HILLS, NJ 07930, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,500 SHARES OF BELMAC CORP. (TICKER: BEMC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 3, 1990.

(BELMAC CORP. TEL: 813 286-4401)

-30- 381
#90222c0064 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.E. ROSEN OF 55 EAST 87TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10128, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF COLLEGE BOUND INC. (TICKER: CLBD) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 7, 1990.

(COLLEGE BOUND INC. TEL: 305 587-9110)

-30- 399
#90222c0065 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A.B. ROSEN OF 405 ORLEANS RD, UNIT C, N CHATHAM, MA 02650, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF COLLEGE BOUND INC. (TICKER: CLBD) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 6, 1990.

(COLLEGE BOUND INC. TEL: 305 587-9110)

-30- 405
#90222c0066 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - N.D. HOLM OF P O BOX 249, ANOKA, MN 55303, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,250 SHARES OF RUBIDELL RECREATION INC. THROUGH EQUITY SECS TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 6, 1990.

(RUBIDELL RECREATION INC. TEL: 414 723-6660)

-30- 402
#90222c0067 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H.B. PEARSALL OF 415 NO EAST AVENUE, OAK PARK, IL 60302, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SANFORD CORP. (TICKER: SANF) THROUGH WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 3, 1990.

(SANFORD CORP. TEL: 312 547-6650)

-30- 399
#90222c0069 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - I.J. HARVITZ OF 6801 STATE RD, P O BOX 8937, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19135, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: ICGN) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 7, 1990.

(ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 625-0700)

-30- 437
#90222c0070 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.M. FREEDMAN OF 1206 GRANT, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405, HAS FILED TO SELL 260,000 SHARES OF FUJI ELECTROCELL CORP. (TICKER: FJEC) THROUGH J ALEXANDER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 7, 1990.

(FUJI ELECTROCELL CORP. TEL: 213 452-5192)

-30- 421
#90222c0071 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A. DEMONE OF 11712 EAST JEWELL PLAZA, AURORA, CO 80012, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,202,000 SHARES OF VITRO DIAGNOSTICS INC. THROUGH ORION SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 7, 1990.

(VITRO DIAGNOSTICS INC. TEL: 303 237-6650)

-30- 410
#90222c0072 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM R GRAVES OF 43081 SCOFIELD COURT, FREMONT, CA 94539, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 418
#90222c0073 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - III PIONEER OF C/O ASEN & CO INC, 224 EAST 49TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 41,666 SHARES OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN) THROUGH GILDER GAGNON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(NEUROGEN CORP. TEL: 203 488-8201)

-30- 415
#90222c0074 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KARCHER CARL N TTEE OF 1200 N HARBOR BLVD, ANAHEIM, CA 92801, HAS FILED TO SELL 177,000 SHARES OF KARCHER (CARL) ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CARL) THROUGH BATEMAN EICHLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(KARCHER (CARL) ENTERPRISES INC. TEL: 714 774-5796)

-30- 459
#90222c0075 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PIONEER ASSOCIATES OF 113 EAST 55TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 31,733 SHARES OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN) THROUGH GILDER GAGNON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(NEUROGEN CORP. TEL: 203 488-8201)

-30- 410
#90222c0077 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN C MENDELL OF 2910 7TH ST, BERKELEY, CA 94710, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,281 SHARES OF XOMA CORP. (TICKER: XOMA) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(XOMA CORP. TEL: 415 644-1170)

-30- 385
#90222c0078 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - BEAUFORT INVESTMENTS LTD OF 410 UNIVERSITY AVE, WESTWOOD, MA 02090, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF CORPORATE SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: CSOF) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(CORPORATE SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 617 329-3500)

-30- 448
#90222c0079 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TIMOTHY K HOELTER OF 7922 CEDAR CREEK RD, CEDARBURG, WI 53012, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. TEL: 414 342-4680)

-30- 427
#90222c0080 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES H PATERSON OF 18970 CAVENDISH RD, BROOKFIELD, WI 53005, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. TEL: 414 342-4680)

-30- 427
#90222c0081 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS A GELB OF 3700 W JUNEAU AVE, MILWAUKEE, WI 53208, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. TEL: 414 342-4680)

-30- 418
#90222c0082 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFFREY L BLEUSTEIN OF 3700 W JUNEAU AVE, MILWAUKEE, WI 53208, HAS

FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. TEL: 414 342-4680)

-30- 429
#90222c0083 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM G DAVIDSON OF 1915 HAWTHORNE DR, ELM GROVE, WI 53122, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. TEL: 414 342-4680)

-30- 427
#90222c0085 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E HERNREICH OF 515 S FIGUEROA ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90071, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SEALED AIR CORP. (TICKER: SEE) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(SEALED AIR CORP. TEL: 201 791-7600)

-30- 416
#90222c0086 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM Y HARVEY OF 201 MAIN ST, SUITE 890, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 399
#90222c0087 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK J LEIGHTON OF 180 NASSAU BLVD, GARDEN CITY, NY 11530, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,399 SHARES OF SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SMLS) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 612 420-0832)

-30- 434
#90222c0088 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID R BANKS OF 70 S LAKE AVE STE 900, PASADENA, CA 91101, HAS FILED TO SELL 94,000 SHARES OF BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: BEV) THROUGH STEPHENS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC. TEL: 818 577-6111)

-30- 420
#90222c0089 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK R CALLEGARI OF 500 WEST 123RD TERRACE, KANSAS CITY, MO 64145, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF INFORMIX CORP. (TICKER: IFMX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(INFORMIX CORP. TEL: 415 322-4100)

-30- 416
#90222c0090 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E MATERNE OF 13515 N CRESTLINE, SPOKANE, WA 99218, HAS FILED TO SELL 237,300 SHARES OF GEMINI CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: GEMI) THROUGH DILLON SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(GEMINI CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 501 474-7906)

-30- 415
#90222c0091 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DWIGHT A HOLDER OF P O BOX 838, PICKENS, SC 29671, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 392

#90222c0093 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT NELSON OF 4141 STEVENSON BLVD #398, FREMONT, CA 94538, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,515 SHARES OF NOVELLUS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NVLS) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(NOVELLUS SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 943-9700)

-30- 425
#90222c0094 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAPKEN S DERTOROSSIAN OF 21978 VIA REGINA, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SILICON VALLEY GROUP INC. (TICKER: SVGI) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(SILICON VALLEY GROUP INC. TEL: 408 432-9300)

-30- 450
#90222c0095 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALD M STAREK OF 6 BLUE ANCHOR CAY, CORONADO, CA 92118, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SILICON VALLEY GROUP INC. (TICKER: SVGI) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(SILICON VALLEY GROUP INC. TEL: 408 945-9300)

-30- 438
#90222c0096 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH R ADAMS OF 4822 ALBEMARLE ROAD, CHARLOTTE, NC 28205, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,468 SHARES OF SUNGARD DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SNDT) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(SUNGARD DATA SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 215 341-8700)

-30- 437
#90222c0097 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK S GARRISON OF P O BOX 1196, HARRISON, AR 72602, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,500 SHARES OF ARKANSAS FREIGHTWAYS CORP. (TICKER: AFWY) THROUGH STEPHENS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 02, 1990.

(ARKANSAS FREIGHTWAYS CORP. TEL: 501 741-9000)

-30- 429
#90222c0098 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARRISON F S REV CHILDRENS TR OF P O BOX 840, 2200 FORWARD DR, HARRISON, AR 72602, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,500 SHARES OF ARKANSAS FREIGHTWAYS CORP. (TICKER: AFWY) THROUGH STEPHENS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(ARKANSAS FREIGHTWAYS CORP. TEL: 501 741-9000)

-30- 477
#90222c0099 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH J RAYMOND OF 27 PADDOCK LANE, COLTS NECK, NJ 07722, HAS FILED TO SELL 85,000 SHARES OF RAYCOMM TRANSWORLD INDUSTRIES IN (TICKER: RACM) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 03, 1990.

(RAYCOMM TRANSWORLD INDUSTRIES IN TEL: 818 783-4405)

-30- 452
#90222c0101 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFFREY R SPERBER OF 228 ROBERTSON WAY, LINCOLN PARK, NJ 07035, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SCORE BOARD INC. (TICKER: BSBL) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(SCORE BOARD INC. TEL: 609 354-9000)

-30- 417
#90222c0102 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES M POWELL OF 12625 HOMEWOOD WAY, 0, LOS ANGELES, CA 90049,

HAS FILED TO SELL 44,807 SHARES OF COLOR SYSTEM TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CLR) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(COLOR SYSTEM TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 213 822-6567)

-30- 454
#90222c0103 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT N BLAIR OF 13303 PARAMONT DR, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF LSI LOGIC CORP. (TICKER: LSI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(LSI LOGIC CORP. TEL: 408 433-8000)

-30- 401
#90222c0104 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM ROUSE OF 9824 DENBIGHT DR, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 437
#90222c0105 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BLAIR D H & CO INC OF 44 WALL ST, NEW YORK, NY 10005, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,000 SHARES OF WOLF FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: WOFG) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(WOLF FINANCIAL GROUP INC. TEL: 212 635-5666)

-30- 434
#90222c0106 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TANIS ELIZABETH TRUST OF 259 RADNOR CHESTER RD, STE 120, FIDELITY COURT, RADNOR, PA 19087, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF WORLD-WIDE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: WOTK) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS

RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(WORLD-WIDE TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 215 964-0652)

-30- 480
#90222c0107 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORMAN H RAY JR OF 10439 PELHAM DR, WINDSOR, CA 95492, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,212 SHARES OF ANDROS ANALYZERS INC. (TICKER: ANDY) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(ANDROS ANALYZERS INC. TEL: 415 849-5700)

-30- 410
#90222c0109 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACQUELINE V ULLMER OF 9052 EAST LEHIGH AVE, DENVER, CO 80237, HAS FILED TO SELL 33,334 SHARES OF MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MSCX) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. TEL: 713 977-1312)

-30- 417
#90222c0110 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D GEORGE OGLE OF 3505 SAGECREST TERRACE, FORT WORTH, TX 76109, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,666 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH SOUTHWEST SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 397
#90222c0111 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDMUND A ZAVAGLIA OF 4 TUXFORD TERR, BASKING RIDGE, NJ 07920, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(IVAX CORP. TEL: 305 590-2200)

-30- 386
#90222c0112 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS CLAUDE EDWARDS OF 1426 GLEN EAGLES WAY, 0, ROCKLEDGE, FL 32955, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF ROVAC CORP (TICKER: RVAC) THROUGH I M & R. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(ROVAC CORP TEL: 508 892-4841)

-30- 395
#90222c0113 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEOFFREY R MARTIN OF 22 CRESTWIND DR, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA 90274, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF EARTH TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: ETCO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(EARTH TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 213 495-4449)

-30- 433
#90222c0114 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL D SMITH OF 567 CARTER ST, NEW CANAAN, CT 06840, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF SUMMAGRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: SUGR) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(SUMMAGRAPHICS CORP. TEL: 203 384-1344)

-30- 412
#90222c0115 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD RUBENSTEIN OF 5 WAVERLY PLACE, HILLSBOROUGH, CA 94010, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF IMMUNE RESPONSE CORP. (TICKER: IMNR) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(IMMUNE RESPONSE CORP. TEL: 619 587-1407)

-30- 428

#90222c0117 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HWAN Y KIM OF 320 MAIN ST, LEE HOSPITAL, JOHNSTOWN, PA 15901, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,948 SHARES OF UNITED CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: ICU) THROUGH LEGG MASON WOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(UNITED CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 212 371-1781)

-30- 414
#90222c0118 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AMERN ORT N SHORE NASSAU WOMENS OF 275 WARNER AVE, 0, ROSLYN HTS, NY 11577, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF HELIAN HEALTH GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGR) THROUGH WHALE SECS CO L P. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(HELIAN HEALTH GROUP INC. TEL: 408 646-9000)

-30- 454
#90222c0119 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN J FEINBERG OF 28 CAYUGA RD, SCARSDALE, NY 10583, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS) THROUGH SLOATE WEISSMAN MURRAY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 201 731-9252)

-30- 434
#90222c0120 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL C STERN OF P O BOX 1849, MONTROSE, CO 81402, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,115 SHARES OF FIBERCHEM INC. (TICKER: FOCS) THROUGH PRIVATE INVESTORS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(FIBERCHEM INC. TEL: 702 361-9873)

-30- 393
#90222c0121 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID C TROPPY OF 3010 BEORD RD #C, NAPA, CA 94558, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,345 SHARES OF INNOVET INC. (TICKER: IVET) THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(INNOVET INC. TEL: 407 394-0621)

-30- 379
#90222c0122 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HUME MILLER OF 8195 S NEWPORT WAY, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,750 SHARES OF MET CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: MCAP) THROUGH ORION SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(MET CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 241-6750)

-30- 402
#90222c0123 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEAN L SANDERS OF RT 3, BOX 79A, BENTONVILLE, AR 72712, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(WAL-MART STORES INC. TEL: 501 273-4000)

-30- 416
#90222c0125 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLARENCE BARHAM OF 1040 E BROKAW RD, SAN JOSE, CA 95131, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. TEL: 408 453-1200)

-30- 417
#90222c0126 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J AVERY OF 417 GWYNEDD VALLEY DR, GWYNEDD VALLEY, PA 19437, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CROWN CORK & SEAL CO. (TICKER: CCK) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(CROWN CORK & SEAL CO. TEL: 215 698-5100)

-30- 430
#90222c0127 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK S PELIZZA OF 2313 DELMAR, PLANO, TX 75075, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX) THROUGH CHARLES M BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(URANIUM RESOURCES INC. TEL: 214 934-7777)

-30- 419
#90222c0128 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LOUIS R DURBIN OF P O BOX 515325, DALLAS, TX 75251, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH CHARLES M BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 214 934-7777)

-30- 392
#90222c0129 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHANDLER OF 10040 EAST HAPPY VALLEY #512, 0, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(RALLY'S INC. TEL: 502 245-8900)

-30- 405
#90222c0130 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FACKA CHRISTOPHER TRUST OF 2550 BERNER STREET, FORT WORTH, TX 76111, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,888 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 414
#90222c0131 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EMERSON B KENDALL OF 3156 BENDING CREEK TRAIL, CRETE, IL 60417, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF VICORP RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: VRES) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(VICORP RESTAURANTS INC. TEL: 303 296-2121)

-30- 431
#90222c0133 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS THOMPSON OF 180 ORCHID WAY, 0, VERO BCH, FL 32963, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,131 SHARES OF OFFSHORE LOGISTICS INC. (TICKER: OLOG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(OFFSHORE LOGISTICS INC. TEL: 318 233-1221)

-30- 425
#90222c0134 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAY J HILLENBRAND OF FIRST FEDERAL PLZ, P O BOX 8303, RAPID CITY, SD 57709, HAS FILED TO SELL 46,753 SHARES OF HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HB) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 812 934-7000)

-30- 447
#90222c0135 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY C GEASLEN OF 36 HILLSHIRE DR, LAKE OSWEGO, OR 97034, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,718 SHARES OF MENTOR GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MENT) THROUGH CHARTER INVSTMNT GRP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(MENTOR GRAPHICS CORP. TEL: 503 626-7000)

-30- 425
#90222c0136 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY G HENDRIX OF 216 MARMONA DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SYMANTEC CORP. (TICKER: SYMC) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(SYMANTEC CORP. TEL: 408 253-9600)

-30- 400
#90222c0137 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL HAHN OF 1678 CEDAR SWAMP RD, BROOKVILLE, NY 11545, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 418
#90222c0138 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KING J JR & OCONOR W JR TTEES OF 170 MT AIRY RD, BASKING RIDGE, NJ 07920, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF HOOPER HOLMES INC. (TICKER: HH) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07 1990.

(HOOPER HOLMES INC. TEL: 201 766-5000)

-30- 449
#90222c0139 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE HAHN OF 11 HASTING RD, OLD WESTBURY, NY 11568, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 415
#90222c0141 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERVARS MATHISON OF 3940 WEST 49TH ST, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55424, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,286 SHARES OF FIBERCHEM INC. (TICKER: FOCS) THROUGH

PROTECTIVE GRP SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(FIBERCHEM INC. TEL: 215 926-2161)

-30- 407
#90222c0142 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W R WELTY OF 2076 SHERIDAN RD, LEUCADIA, CA 92024, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH CAMERON MURPHY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 422
#90222c0143 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL M UTTERBACK OF 19115 CANADIAN CT, GAITHERSBURG, MD 20879, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AGRIPOST INC. (TICKER: AGRI) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(AGRIPOST INC. TEL: 305 971-9100)

-30- 410
#90222c0144 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WESLEY LUTKEN JR GRANTOR TRUST OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. (TICKER: CHL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. TEL: 713 236-4503)

-30- 452
#90222c0145 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES H ROSENFIELD OF 3525 E EUCLID AVE, LITTLETON, CO 80121, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES L (TICKER: CPRK) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES L TEL: 303 721-7200)

-30- 473
#90222c0146 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - YEHUDA BEN-ARIEH OF 330 N DEERE PARK DR E, HIGHLAND, IL 60035, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DVI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVIC) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(DVI FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 714 474-5800)

-30- 420
#90222c0147 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R WINDFIELD THOMAS OF 121 SHERRY LANE, ATTICA, IN 47918, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CHARTER POWER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHP) THROUGH BLUNT ELLIS & LOEWI. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(CHARTER POWER SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 215 828-9000)

-30- 435
#90222c0149 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VERN D KORNELSEN OF 4605 DENICE DR, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,564 SHARES OF CYBERMEDIC INC. (TICKER: CMED) THROUGH BOETTCHER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(CYBERMEDIC INC. TEL: 303 666-9252)

-30- 403
#90222c0150 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L T SANDS OF 951 VIA LOS PADRES, SANTA BARBARA, CA 93111, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,546 SHARES OF W.C.W. WESTERN CANADA WATER ENTE (TICKER: WCWE) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07 1990.

(W.C.W. WESTERN CANADA WATER ENTE TEL: 604 681-3445)

-30- 460
#90222c0151 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM F CAPPLEMAN OF 955 W PLANT ST, P O BOX 771658, WINTER GARDENS, FL 32787, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,500 SHARES OF F.F.O. FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FFFG) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(F.F.O. FINANCIAL GROUP INC. TEL: 407 846-3000)

-30- 468
#90222c0152 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAPITAL FOR BUSINESS OF 1000 WALNUT, 18TH FLOOR, KANSAS CITY, MO 64106, HAS FILED TO SELL 130,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN TOXXIC CONTROL INC. (TICKER: ATCX) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(AMERICAN TOXXIC CONTROL INC. TEL: 213 698-9414)

-30- 465
#90222c0153 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, C.S. BENDER II, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FRANKLIN FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. SOLD 3,074 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90222c0154 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, C.S. BENDER II, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FRANKLIN FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. BOUGHT 3,074 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,692.

-30- 341
#90222c0155 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 3, 1990, J.B. CRIST, DIR. OF FRANKLIN FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,800.

-30- 308
#90222c0158 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 17, 1990, E.E. SEASE, DIR. OF FRANKLIN FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90222c0159 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, R.G. ZULLINGER, PRES. OF FRANKLIN FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. SOLD 3,180 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90222c0161 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 3, 1990, D.R. HUNTER, PRES. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTII), SOLD 43,500 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90222c0162 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, D.R. HUNTER, PRES. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTII), SOLD 14,500 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90222c0163 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 17, 1990, D.R. HUNTER, PRES. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTII), SOLD 18,250 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90222c0164 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 25, 1990, D.R. HUNTER, PRES. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTII), SOLD 4,250 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 419,500.

-30- 319
#90222c0165 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 2, 1990, DENNIS R HUNTER, PRES. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC.
(TICKER: HTII), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90222c0167 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 5, 1990, D.R. HUNTER, PRES. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC.
(TICKER: HTII), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90222c0168 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, D.R. HUNTER, PRES. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC.
(TICKER: HTII), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90222c0169 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, D.R, HUNTER, PRES. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC.
(TICKER: HTII), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90222c0170 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, D.R. HUNTER, PRES. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC.
(TICKER: HTII), SOLD 9,982 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90222c0171 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 3, 1990, C.W. GRUENEWALD II, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNITED FOODS

INC. (TICKER: UFD), SOLD 3,200 CLASS B SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90222c0172 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 5, 1990, C.W. GRUENEWALD II, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNITED FOODS INC. (TICKER: UFD), SOLD 1,800 CLASS B SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90222c0173 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, C.W. GRUENEWALD II, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNITED FOODS INC. (TICKER: UFD), SOLD 2,300 CLASS B SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90222c0175 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, C.W. GRUENEWALD II, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNITED FOODS INC. (TICKER: UFD), SOLD 100 CLASS B SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,387.

-30- 345
#90222c0176 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ANALYSIS & TECHNOLOGY INC ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF ANALYSIS & TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: AATI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90222c0177 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ANALYSIS & TECHNOLOGY INC ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF ANALYSIS & TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: AATI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 544,490.

-30- 367
#90222c0178 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, RICHARD R NICKERSON, DIR. OF AFFILIATED BANC CORP. (TICKER: ABCV), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90222c0179 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RICHARD R NICKERSON, DIR. OF AFFILIATED BANC CORP. (TICKER: ABCV), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,000.

-30- 324
#90222c0180 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, BENJAMIN F EDWARDS III, PRES. OF EDWARDS (A.G.) INC. (TICKER: AGE), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 235,109.

-30- 324
#90222c0181 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90222c0183 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, GARRY TRAMIEL, VP OF ATARI CORP. (TICKER: ATC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 251
#90222c0184 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, GARRY TRAMIEL, VP OF ATARI CORP. (TICKER: ATC), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,341,094.

-30- 290
#90222c0185 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, GAREN K STAGLIN, VP OF AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC. (TICKER: AUD), SOLD 6,700 SHARES AT $57.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,094.

-30- 331
#90222c0186 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN P GOLD, VP OF AVALON CORP. (TICKER: AVAL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90222c0187 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ROBERT P MORE, DIV. OFFICER OF BARDEN CORP. (TICKER: BARD), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 921.

-30- 308
#90222c0188 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PATRICK L OMALLEY, DIR. OF BALLY MANUFACTURING CORP. (TICKER: BLY), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,400.

-30- 327
#90222c0189 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT A COOPER, DIR. OF BANDO MCGLOCKLIN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BMCC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 334
#90222c0191 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, VICKI S MILLER, VP OF BEAUTICONTROL COSMETICS INC. (TICKER: BUTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 327
#90222c0192 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, J BURGESS JAMIESON JR, DIR. OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 314,722.

-30- 311
#90222c0193 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JON P COATES, PRES. OF COMMERCIAL BANCORPORATION (CO) (TICKER: CBOC), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,212.

-30- 328
#90222c0194 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 17, 1990, THOMAS MALOOF, DIR. OF CENTURY MEDICORP. (TICKER: CEMC), BOUGHT 30,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 225,700.

-30- 327
#90222c0195 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 17, 1990, FREDERICK SIMMONS, DIR. OF CENTURY MEDICORP. (TICKER: CEMC), BOUGHT 24,400 SHARES AT $1.64 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,403.

-30- 317
#90222c0196 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 17, 1990, FREDERICK SIMMONS, DIR. OF CENTURY MEDICORP. (TICKER: CEMC), BOUGHT 12,200 SHARES AT $1.64 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,125.

-30- 319
#90222c0197 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JACK A SOLOMON JR, CHAIRMAN OF CIRCLE FINE ART CORP. (TICKER: CFNE), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 608,730.

-30- 330
#90222c0199 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, RALPH HARRINGTON, DIR. OF CENTRAL & SOUTHERN HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CSBC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,000.

-30- 340
#90222c0200 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 86,229.

-30- 316
#90222c0201 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, EDWARD SANDERS, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,370.

-30- 305
#90222c0202 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, EDWARD SANDERS, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 485.

-30- 303

#90222c0203 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JAMES W GILLIS, SHAREHOLDER OF DEFIANCE INC. (TICKER: DEFI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 338,624.

-30- 317
#90222c0204 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, DAVID KARETSKY, DIR. OF DISTRIBUTED LOGIC CORP. (TICKER: DLOG), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 320
#90222c0205 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, RICHARD R JANSSEN, PRES. OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90222c0207 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ROBERT P LUZZI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EDAC TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: EDAC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,004,543.

-30- 346
#90222c0208 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DAMON SAMUEL M ESTATE OF, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 1,158,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,840,000.

-30- 360
#90222c0209 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DONALD G HORNER, VP OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER:

FHWN), BOUGHT 2,590 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,638.

-30- 311
#90222c0210 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, HOWARD H KARR, VP OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 6,721 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,870.

-30- 307
#90222c0211 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, HOWARD H KARR, VP OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 343 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90222c0212 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, HOWARD H KARR, VP OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 343 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90222c0213 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, HOWARD H KARR, VP OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 310 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90222c0215 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, HUGH R PINGREE, DIR. OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 149,310.

-30- 318
#90222c0216 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, D HEBDEN PORTEUS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 55,500 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90222c0217 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, D HEBDEN PORTEUS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90222c0218 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, D HEBDEN PORTEUS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 1,158,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,254,506.

-30- 360
#90222c0219 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, FREDERICK C WEYAND, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90222c0220 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, FREDERICK C WEYAND, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 1,158,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,862,312.

-30- 363
#90222c0221 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, HERBERT E WOLFF, VP OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,880.

-30- 312
#90222c0223 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, STEVEN A CANTOR, PRES. OF FUTURE MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FMPI), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $0.76 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,730,952.

-30- 330
#90222c0224 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, EUGENE H GLICKSMAN, VP OF FUTURE MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FMPI), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $0.76 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 871,208.

-30- 328
#90222c0225 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, THOMAS J FLAHERTY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GENERAL BUILDING PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: GBLD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,075.

-30- 356
#90222c0226 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, KENNETH R WYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN NUGGET INC. (TICKER: GNG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $38.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90222c0227 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, KENNETH R WYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN NUGGET INC. (TICKER: GNG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $38.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90222c0228 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, KENNETH R WYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN NUGGET INC. (TICKER: GNG), SOLD 14,200 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90222c0229 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, KENNETH R WYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN NUGGET INC. (TICKER: GNG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 402,689.

-30- 335
#90222c0231 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, CHARLES R MCCARTHY JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRC INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GRH), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90222c0232 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CHARLES R MCCARTHY JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRC INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GRH), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,630.

-30- 343
#90222c0233 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, DANIEL F EUBANK, DIR. OF HEALTHSOURCE INC. (TICKER: HLTH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90222c0234 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, VINCENT G BELL JR, DIR. OF HUNT MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: HUN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90222c0235 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, VINCENT G BELL JR, DIR. OF HUNT MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: HUN), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 324
#90222c0236 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, MICHAEL K CAMPBELL, VP OF HURCO COS. (TICKER: HURC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,622.

-30- 298
#90222c0237 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, WILLIAM A KRAUSE, DIR. OF HAWKEYE BANCORP. (TICKER: HWKB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 225,389.

-30- 317
#90222c0239 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, MICHAEL G LYONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,000.

-30- 348
#90222c0240 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, F PHILIP HANDY, DIR. OF ITEL CORP. (TICKER: ITL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90222c0241 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, F PHILIP HANDY, DIR. OF ITEL CORP. (TICKER: ITL), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

30,500.

-30- 293
#90222c0242 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, J KARL KREUTZER, DIV. OFFICER OF PETERS (J.M.) INC. (TICKER: JMP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90222c0243 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 14, 1990, HERBERT F IMHOFF, CHAIRMAN OF GENERAL EMPLOYMENT ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: JOB), BOUGHT 50,475 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 488,909.

-30- 353
#90222c0244 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, RICHARD I ROBERTS, VP OF KASLER CORP. (TICKER: KASL), SOLD 2,141 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 297
#90222c0245 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, HARRY BRAVERMAN, VP OF KAY JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: KJI), SOLD 15,615 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90222c0248 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, PRES. OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,166,137.

-30- 349

#90222c0249 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, PRES. OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90222c0250 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, PRES. OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90222c0251 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, PRES. OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 450,946.

-30- 346
#90222c0252 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 20, 1989, GARY W DEHART, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SURETY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: LOAN), BOUGHT 8,650 SHARES AT $1.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 949,481.

-30- 346
#90222c0253 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1989, GARY W DEHART, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SURETY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: LOAN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 321,800.

-30- 344
#90222c0254 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 20, 1990, GARY W DEHART, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SURETY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: LOAN), BOUGHT 8,613 SHARES AT $0.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 350,413.

-30- 344
#90222c0256 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 10, 1990, GARY W DEHART, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SURETY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: LOAN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90222c0257 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 22, 1990, GARY W DEHART, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SURETY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: LOAN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90222c0258 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 23, 1990, GARY W DEHART, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SURETY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: LOAN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90222c0259 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 31, 1990, GARY W DEHART, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SURETY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: LOAN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,800.

-30- 344
#90222c0260 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, STATE FARM AUTO INS CO, BEN. OWNER OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 750,000 SHARES AT $15.32 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,750,000.

-30- 368
#90222c0261 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, FREDERICK R ADLER, DIR. OF LIFE TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: LTEK), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $18.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,350.

-30- 326
#90222c0262 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DAVID M MOSS, BEN. OWNER OF CATALINA LIGHTING INC. (TICKER: LTG), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90222c0264 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, DAVID M MOSS, BEN. OWNER OF CATALINA LIGHTING INC. (TICKER: LTG), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90222c0265 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, DAVID M MOSS, BEN. OWNER OF CATALINA LIGHTING INC. (TICKER: LTG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90222c0266 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, DAVID M MOSS, BEN. OWNER OF CATALINA LIGHTING INC. (TICKER: LTG), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90222c0267 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, DAVID M MOSS, BEN. OWNER OF CATALINA LIGHTING INC. (TICKER: LTG), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 846,582.

-30- 328

#90222c0268 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, MANITOWOC INC ERP, BEN. OWNER OF MANITOWOC INC. (TICKER: MANT), SOLD 13,960 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,409,100.

-30- 325
#90222c0269 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, KENNETH D MCCLAIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MCCLAIN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MCCL), BOUGHT 850 SHARES AT $2.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,057,587.

-30- 362
#90222c0270 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, STEPHEN J FEINBERG, DIR. OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,013.

-30- 332
#90222c0272 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, B B TULEY, PRES. OF MICHAELS STORES INC. (TICKER: MKE), SOLD 604,684 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90222c0273 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT J BAUDENDISTEL, DIR. OF MARK TWAIN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: MTWN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,000.

-30- 343
#90222c0274 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JOHN A STUDEBAKER, DIR. OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER:

MYCO), SOLD 1,125 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90222c0275 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RICHARD A GRACIANO, DIR. OF MYLAN LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: MYL), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,027.

-30- 329
#90222c0276 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JAMES K DOBBS III, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMERCE BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBC), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90222c0277 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, JAMES K DOBBS III, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMERCE BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBC), BOUGHT 1,157 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90222c0278 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, JAMES K DOBBS III, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMERCE BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBC), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 331
#90222c0280 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JAMES H ADAMS, PRES. OF NFS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: NFSF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,804.

-30- 313
#90222c0281 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, DONALD L ROETTELE, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP.
(TICKER: NRD), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90222c0282 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, DONALD L ROETTELE, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP.
(TICKER: NRD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90222c0283 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, DONALD L ROETTELE, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP.
(TICKER: NRD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90222c0284 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, DONALD L ROETTELE, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP.
(TICKER: NRD), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90222c0285 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, DONALD L ROETTELE, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP.
(TICKER: NRD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90222c0286 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, DONALD L ROETTELE, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP.
(TICKER: NRD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90222c0288 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, DONALD L ROETTELE, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP.
(TICKER: NRD), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90222c0289 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, DONALD L ROETTELE, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP.
(TICKER: NRD), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 2,055.

-30- 317
#90222c0290 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ALLEN G ROSENSHINE, DIR. OF OMNICOM GROUP INC
(TICKER: OMC), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90222c0291 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ALLEN G ROSENSHINE, DIR. OF OMNICOM GROUP INC
(TICKER: OMC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 82,135.

-30- 317
#90222c0292 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ROLAND SEIDLER JR, DIR. OF OPTICAL RADIATION CORP.
(TICKER: ORCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 17,500.

-30- 325
#90222c0293 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 19, 1990, RICHARD HOULIHAN, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC.
(TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90222c0294 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, RICHARD HOULIHAN, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90222c0296 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, RICHARD HOULIHAN, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $1.26 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,000.

-30- 332
#90222c0297 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, EDWARD H COOLEY, CHAIRMAN OF PRECISION CASTPARTS CORP. (TICKER: PCP), SOLD 37,600 SHARES AT $34.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90222c0298 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, EDWARD H COOLEY, CHAIRMAN OF PRECISION CASTPARTS CORP. (TICKER: PCP), SOLD 32,400 SHARES AT $34.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,738,126.

-30- 337
#90222c0299 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, CARL J SHORT, DIR. OF LEINER (P.) NUTRITIONAL PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: PLI), SOLD 20,378 SHARES AT $11.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,130.

-30- 341
#90222c0300 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, STEVEN C WALSKE, PRES. OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 276,500.

-30- 334
#90222c0301 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, MARK C MASUR, DIR. OF PRONET INC. (TICKER: PNET), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90222c0302 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 23, 1990, DENNIS R ALEXANDER, CHAIRMAN OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90222c0304 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, NELO G BORELLI, DIR. OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,206.

-30- 336
#90222c0305 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, PHILLIP R BOYCE, CHAIRMAN OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90222c0306 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, PHILLIP R BOYCE, CHAIRMAN OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90222c0307 08/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ANTHONY J DAMORE, DIR. OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90222c0308 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, RICHARD M PITAGORA, DIR. OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 2,220 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90222c0309 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, RICHARD M PITAGORA, DIR. OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,219.

-30- 336
#90222c0310 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, FRANK E RITCHEY, DIR. OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,139.

-30- 335
#90222c0312 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, GARY K FREEDMAN, CHAIRMAN OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 314
#90222c0313 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, GARY K FREEDMAN, CHAIRMAN OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $0.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 313
#90222c0314 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, BRYAN E LEBLANC, PRES. OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $0.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,450.

-30- 304
#90222c0315 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, BRYAN E LEBLANC, PRES. OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 305
#90222c0316 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, WILLIAM G REED JR, DIR. OF SAFECO CORP. (TICKER: SAFC), SOLD 64,403 SHARES AT $37.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 446,917.

-30- 304
#90222c0317 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 29, 1989, J PATRICK LOGAN, VP OF STAODYNAMICS INC. (TICKER: SDYN), BOUGHT 1,680 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,680.

-30- 306
#90222c0318 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, LUCILLE G FORD, DIR. OF SCHULMAN (A.) INC. (TICKER: SHLM), BOUGHT 1,150 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,620.

-30- 310

#90222c0320 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOHN G BREEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $39.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90222c0321 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOHN G BREEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $39.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90222c0322 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOHN G BREEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW), SOLD 1,973 SHARES AT $39.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 188,102.

-30- 321
#90222c0323 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, BILL L HARBERT, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 226 SHARES AT $17.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90222c0324 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, BILL L HARBERT, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90222c0325 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, BILL L HARBERT, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 186,371.

-30- 311
#90222c0326 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, SAMI I SAMANI, DIR. OF STANSBURY HOLDINGS CORP. (TICKER: STBY), BOUGHT 120,000 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 941,500.

-30- 326
#90222c0328 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, AVERY J STONE, DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 526,474.

-30- 316
#90222c0329 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, AVERY J STONE, DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,107,394.

-30- 318
#90222c0330 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90222c0331 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 529,375.

-30- 333
#90222c0332 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, RICHARD SOMERLOTT, DIR. OF NATIONAL TECHTEAM INC. (TICKER: TEAM), SOLD 16,000 SHARES AT $0.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101,974.

-30- 326
#90222c0333 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, LESLIE F CLARKE II, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TIMBERLINE SOFTWARE CORP. (TICKER: TMBS), SOLD 7,400 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90222c0334 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, LESLIE F CLARKE II, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TIMBERLINE SOFTWARE CORP. (TICKER: TMBS), SOLD 41,960 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,000.

-30- 355
#90222c0336 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, EDWARD WHITE, SHAREHOLDER OF TOP SOURCE INC. (TICKER: TOPS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90222c0337 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, EDWARD WHITE, SHAREHOLDER OF TOP SOURCE INC. (TICKER: TOPS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,000.

-30- 313
#90222c0338 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, ROBERT P DENARO, VP OF TRIMBLE NAVIGATION LTD. (TICKER: TRMB), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 252,174.

-30- 321
#90222c0339 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WILLIAM HART, DIR. OF TRIMBLE NAVIGATION LTD. (TICKER: TRMB), SOLD 104,245 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 878,051.

-30- 322
#90222c0340 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JAMES C HUNT, OFFICER OF TRIMBLE NAVIGATION LTD. (TICKER: TRMB), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,514.

-30- 327
#90222c0341 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, BRADFORD W PARKINSON, DIR. OF TRIMBLE NAVIGATION LTD. (TICKER: TRMB), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 118,244.

-30- 333
#90222c0342 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, EDWIN V CLARKE JR, DIR. OF TRION INC. (TICKER: TRON), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,750.

-30- 297
#90222c0344 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, HARMON C WILLIAMS JR, CHAIRMAN OF UNITED DOMINION REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: UDR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90222c0345 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, HARMON C WILLIAMS JR, CHAIRMAN OF UNITED DOMINION REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: UDR), SOLD 2,387 SHARES AT $16.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,584.

-30- 356
#90222c0346 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, TJ DERMOT DUNPHY, DIR. OF UJB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UJB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,227.

-30- 314
#90222c0347 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, HENRY GREY, VP OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 292
#90222c0348 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, LOUIS R DURBIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90222c0349 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, LOUIS R DURBIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90222c0350 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, LOUIS R DURBIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $1.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90222c0352 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, LOUIS R DURBIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90222c0353 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, LOUIS R DURBIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX), SOLD 29,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,392,690.

-30- 347
#90222c0354 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, THOMAS D SEGE, DIR. OF VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: VAR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,584.

-30- 315
#90222c0355 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, WILLIAM T BRADY, CHAIRMAN OF VIEJO BANCORP (TICKER: VBMV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90222c0356 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, WILLIAM T BRADY, CHAIRMAN OF VIEJO BANCORP (TICKER: VBMV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 766,366.

-30- 316
#90222c0357 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, NISSAN PILEST, DIR. OF VIEJO BANCORP (TICKER: VBMV),

SOLD 13,022 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90222c0358 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, NISSAN PILEST, DIR. OF VIEJO BANCORP (TICKER: VBMV), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 134,955.

-30- 301
#90222c0360 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, FORREST T WALPOLE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,269.

-30- 327
#90222c0361 08/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, JEAN R PERRETTE, CHAIRMAN OF WORTH CORP. (TICKER: WRTH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,250.

-30- 308
#90222d2910 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (AUG. 10) - Philippine communist insurgents vowed Friday to attack U.S. government targets if Washington used its military bases in this country in its intervention in the Gulf crisis.

If Washington used its bases in the Philippines to intervene in the Gulf, the National Democratic Front (NDF) "will not hesitate to launch intense and all-out politico-military offensives against U.S. imperialism," the NDF said in a statement to news agencies here.

The NDF is a political organization of the banned Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP), whose New People's Army (NPA) has been fighting a guerrilla war with the Manila government for 21 years.

There was no immediate comment from the U.S. Embassy.

The NPA has assassinated five U.S. servicemen and two U.S. Defense Department employees in the past three years as part of a campaign to

force out U.S. troops from the major military facilities at Clark Air Base and Subic Naval Base.

Philippine diplomats have said Clark and Subic could resupply the U.S. facility at the Indian Ocean island of Diego Garcia, which they say could be involved in a long-term U.S. deployment in the region.

The NDF said the Iraqi use of force against Kuwait to settle disputes with its tiny neighbor was "uncalled for" and "disturbed regional peace and unity among Arab countries which the United States and other imperialist powers have tried to exploit to their advantage."

U.S. Ambassador to the Philippines Nicholas Platt said earlier this week that Washington has consulted Manila on the Gulf crisis.

Philippine President Corazon Aquino has said Washington would need to undertake prior consultation with Manila if it wanted to use the bases for its military mission in the Gulf.

-30- 1961

#90222d3000 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) - More airlines have announced fare increases, citing increases in fuel prices even though oil companies announced on the same day they were freezing or lowering prices.

Delta, United, USAir and American hiked fares by 5.3 per cent and Northwest said it would scrap an eight dollar per flight surcharge but would impose a 10 per cent fare increase. The increases are effective August 15.

"Airline ticket prices are going up, and we want our passengers to know why. Jet fuel prices have gone through the roof," said Air Transport Association President Robert Aaronson.

But three big oil companies -- Texaco Inc., BP America Inc., and Conoco Inc. -- said they were trimming gasoline prices from a penny to four cents a gallon after public outcry over alleged price gouging.

Temporarily freezing their prices were Chevron Corp., Unocal Corp. and Getty Petroleum Corp.

After the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2, oil companies and gasoline stationss hiked their prices, drawing angry charges of using the crisis in the Gulf as a pretext to gouge consumers.

Texaco said it would cut gasoline prices to resellers by as much as three cents a gallon, BP cut pump prices by three cents a gallon, Conoco dropped wholesale prices by three to four cents and Getty froze prices for a week.

Other big companies like Exxon Corp., Mobil Corp. and Shell Oil Co. said they had not increased prices in recent days and would practice restraint, making sure that pricing reflects market conditions.

But experts warn that conditions may get worse.

Even if other oil-producing nations start pumping to capacity to make up for the shortfall caused by the Gulf crisis, they said prices this fall could double or even triple the June level of 15.50 dollars a barrel.

-30- 1972

#90222d3040 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 10) - The Soviet Navy is ready to evacuate Soviet citizens from Iraq should this become necessary, a Soviet naval spokesman said Friday.

Rear-admiral A. Karlin, deputy head of the navy's political department, told the army newspasper ''Kraznaya Szezda'' in an interview published Friday that the fleet had experience in this respect.

Karlin reiterated that no Soviet naval vessels would take part in a blockade of Iraq or any possible military action against Iraq.

Two Soviet warships passed through the Suez canal Thursday, heading for the Red Sea on their way to the Gulf.

-30- 774

#90222d3210 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (AUG. 10) - Iran on Friday denied U.S. reports that it had been in contact with the United States on the Gulf crisis.

A foreign ministry spokesman said the Swiss ambassador here, who represents U.S. interests, had "offered certain viewpoints in relation with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait" in a meeting with ministry officials.

But he stressed that no message had been exchanged between Iran and the United States over the past few days.

"We voiced the position of the Islamic Republic of Iran in relation with current developments in the region, which had been previously announced in various government communiques," the spokesman said in a dispatch from the official news agency IRNA.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker on Wednesday declared that Washington had been in touch with Iran, a key Iraqi adversary, through the Swiss

Embassy here.

Iran has condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and rejected its annexation of the Gulf emirate.

While Iranian authorities initially warned against foreign intervention in the crisis, they have lately appeared to revise their stand, as the long-term occupation of Kuwait by Iraq would be unacceptable to Teheran.

The Teheran Times, a leading Iranian newspaper close to the government of President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, on Thursday expressed support for foreign military action against Iraq, provided it was overseen by the United Nations.

Several Western nations, led by the United States, have bolstered their military presence in the Gulf following the invasion.

But the forces to date are serving under their national flags rather than than of the United Nations.

-30- 1838
#90222d3220 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (AUG. 10) - Samsung Electronics Co. said Friday it had developed its own super memory chip, bringing South Korea on par with Japan and the United States in semiconductor technology.

A company announcement said Samsung designed and produced the 16-mega dynamic ramdom access memory (DRAM) chip after 16 months of effort, making South Korea the third country to develop the state-of-art chip.

Only four companies in the world -- Japan's Hitachi, Toshiba and NEC and IBM of the United States -- have so far succeeded in putting out 16-megaDRAM new generation chips, the announcement said.

A 16-megaDRAM chip can store information equivalent to 128 pages of newsprint in a space the size of a thumb nail and is used, among other things,
in high-definition television sets, work stations and super computers.

Samsung will begin commercial production of the chips for sale by the end of next year, the announcement said.

One megaDRAM chips, which now hold the lion's share of the semiconductor market, are expected to be replaced by four megaDRAM chips by 1992 and 16 megaDRAMs are expected to be used frequently after 1994, a Samsung official said.

Samsung Electronics Co.'s 1989 net pre-tax profit tax was 158 billion won (220 million dollars) on sales of 4,000 billion won (5.6 billion dollars), but industry sources said it was losing money in semiconductors due to a glut on the world market.

-30- 1595

#90222d3360 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 10) - Three Filipino workers have been killed and three others raped in Kuwait, Philippine President Corazon Aquino said here Friday,
correcting her earlier statement that the incidents occurred in Iraq.

Mrs. Aquino said in a statement that the killings and sexual assaults occurred in Kuwait, without giving details.

The statement corrected a version issued earlier Friday in which Mrs. Aquino said the incidents occurred in Baghdad.

Mrs. Aquino said she was "deeply concerned" about the information relayed to her by Labor Secretary Ruben Torres, whom she sent to Saudi Arabia earlier this week to supervise the evacuation of Filipino workers who have fled Kuwait.

About 60,000 Filipinos are working in Kuwait and 5,000 in Iraq. Only a few have been able to leave Kuwait so far.

Shirley Gorospe, a Filipina domestic helper in Kuwait who arrived here on Friday via Saudi Arabia, told reporters at the airport that "Iraqi soldiers are raping the women there, Filipinas included."

She said she knew one of the rape victims, who she said was "in a state of shock" and was sheltering in the Philippine Embassy in Saudi Arabia.

"The Iraqi soldiers are raping a lot of women. They forcibly enter homes, loot them of food and rape the female occupants," she added.

Assistant Foreign Secretary Israel Bocobo told reporters here Friday that 220 Filipino workers from Kuwait had arrived in Baghdad.

An official from the Philippine Embassy in Baghdad is travelling to the Kuwait-Iraq border to monitor the evacuation, he said, adding that the workers were passing that way because it was easier to cross than the Kuwait-Saudi border, which has been closed by Iraqi troops.

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#90222d3390 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 10) - The rate of unemployment throughout the European Economic Community (EEC) remained steady at 8.6 percent of the workforce, unchanged on the March figure, official EEC figures showed on Friday.

The Eurostat statistical office, which issued the figures, said that they had been adjusted for seasonal and national variations.

During the last 12 months the rate had fallen by 0.7 percent and by 1.5 per cent during the last two years.

In May 1990 13.6 million people were registered as unemployed compared with 14.3 million in May 1989.

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#90222d3420 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROTTERDAM, NETHERLANDS (AUG. 10) - The Anglo-Dutch Unilever group increased first-half net profits by four per cent over the same period of last year to 1.709 billion guilder (955 million dollars) the company reported on Friday.

Net profits per share rose to 6.09 guilder (about 3.4 dollars) from 5.87 guilder in the first half of 1989.

Excluding exchange-rate variations, net profits rose by 12 per cent to 1.799 billion guilder, the company said.

Sales rose by 14 per cent to 37.82 billion guilder partly due to the consolidation of results from companies which had been purchased. Operating profits rose by 15 per cent to 3.44 billion guilder.

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#90222d3540 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 10) - Egyptian military forces will not join the Western forces gathering in the Gulf to defend Saudi Arabia from an Iraqi attack, Egyptian ambassador to Britain Mohamed Shaker said here Friday.

Cairo instead favored an Arab-only solution to the Gulf crisis and believed the Arab League was the "ideal framework" for resolving the conflict, Mr. Shaker said.

Speaking in an interview with BBC radio, Mr. Shaker admitted the Arab world was in a "very serious crisis" and acknowledged sharp differences of opinion between Arab leaders on how to end the eight-day-old crisis.

But asked whether Egypt would be prepared to join the multinational force in the Gulf, Mr. Shaker replied "no" and said Cairo wanted "to solve the

issue peacefully" among Arab countries.

Mr. Shaker, speaking as Arab leaders opened their crisis summit in Cairo, reiterated Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak's proposal for stationing a pan-Arab defense force to act as a buffer between Iraq and Kuwait.

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#90222d3550 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 10) - Iraq has followed up its annexation of Kuwait with a demand that all foreign embassies there close down within two weeks, a Bonn Foreign Office spokesman confirmed Friday.

The Iraqi government issued its demand in the form of a diplomatic note delivered Thursday, the spokesman said. The note said all diplomatic duties should be reassigned to embassies in Baghdad.

Baghdad simultaneously said diplomatic and consular missions of the ousted Kuwaiti leader, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, now have ''no official status''.

The United Nations has proclaimed null and void the merger of Iraq and Kuwait, which Baghdad refers to as a ''reunification''.

''After the total reunification between Iraq and Kuwait on 8th of August 1990 ... diplomatic missions in Kuwait City have no official obligations with the Iraqi government in the capital Baghdad,'' read the text of the diplomatic note, the German Press Agency dpa learned.

It called on foreign governments ''to settle their diplomatic missions' affairs which are at present in Kuwait City and transfer them to their diplomatic missions in Baghdad not later than 24th of August 1990.''

The noted added: ''On this occasion the ministry would like to point out that the diplomatic missions and consulates of the previous regime in Kuwait and all their responsibilities which they used to conduct have no official status and would be considered null.''

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#90222d3660 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (AUG. 10) - Taiwan's Economic Ministry on Friday announced an extensive energy-saving scheme and refreshed plans for a fourth nuclear power plant in the face of unsteady crude supply and the rising cost of oil imports.

Under the conservation scheme proposed by the Energy Commission, all government offices and state enterprises were asked to cut energy

consumption by at least 10 per cent, Vice Economic Minister Chiang Pien-kun said.

The conservation scheme, which still needs Cabinet approval, is aimed at tiding over the current oil crisis triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and fostering public awareness of energy conservation as domestic consumption had reached a high in the last few days, an energy official said.

With temperatures up to 38 degrees centigrade (100 degrees Fahrenheit), the island consumed a record 14.4 million kilowats of power Thursday against total power generation capacity of 16.5 million kilowatts.

The conservation plans included suspending imports of large cars and exports of steel and cement whose production consumes too much energy, Mr. Chiang said.

He urged Taiwan residents to join the energy-saving campaign in the face of a possible energy crisis, asking for restraint in the use of air conditioners and other electrical facilities.

Premier Hau Pei-tsun on Thursday ordered the Economic Ministry to refresh plans to build nuclear power plants to meet future demand.

Plans by the monopoly Chinese Petroleum Corporation (CPC) to build Taiwan's fourth nuclear power plant -- two generators with a total installed capacity of two million kilowatts -- started in 1983.

But the 160 billion Taiwan dollar (5.9 billion U.S.) project has been shelved under pressure from environmentalists and from residents of Yenliao along Taiwan's northeastern coast, the proposed site of the plant.

The three existing nuclear power plants, with a combined capacity of 5.14 million kilowatts, account for 13 per cent of the power generated by CPC.

Energy-scarce Taiwan imports an average 431,000 barrels of crude daily to generate 51.5 per cent of the power consumed by 20 million people. It bought an average of 75,000 barrels daily from Kuwait but none from Iraq.

Saudi Arabia has been a major crude supplier, selling Taiwan a daily average of 145,000 barrels, or 33.3 per cent of the island's imports.

Economic officials have said Taiwan would have to start rationing fuel if war broke out in the Middle East, affecting oil supplies from Saudi Arabia.

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#90222d3690 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (AUG. 10) - A total of 45,478 bags of Kenyan coffee were offered for sale to markets at Nairobi's weekly auction and 44,891 bags were sold for an average price of 2,133.93 Kenyan pounds (1,827.77 U.S. dollars) per ton.

The steady rise continued, although there was an extra interest in advance of two weeks' break in auction.

To date, 1,956,488 bags have been sold to all markets, including 755,483 bags of 198990 pool, with an overall gross average price of 2,347 Kenyan pounds (2,010.27 dollars) per ton.

The next auction is scheduled for August 28.

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#90222d3720 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (AUG. 10) - Vietnamese copper thieves have stolen hundreds of kilometers (miles) of copper wire, completely knocking out telephone services in two northern provinces, the army daily Quan Doi Nhan Dan reported Friday.

The threat of death by execution has not deterred the thefts, which were committed over the last few months.

The main victims of the copper thieves over the past 1-12 years have been the state railway company, which lost 265 kms (166 miles) of copper cable, and the provinces of Cao Bang and Lang Son on the border with China where, the daily said, "the entire public telephone network has been stolen."

The copper is stolen for resale in China, Quan Doi Nhan Dan said, adding that the thefts do great harm to an already shaky telephone system.

Copper thieves could face capital punishment, it said, because the thefts threaten national security. Two have already been sentenced to death, the paper noted.

But this does not seem to have discouraged the thieves, who are often either local officials or people in charge of guarding the networks, the daily said.

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#90222d3730 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 10) - Singapore has frozen all Kuwaiti assets in the republic with immediate effect, the Straits Times reported Friday.

The report, quoting Finance Minister Richard Hu, said all transfers and

withdrawals of Kuwaiti assets in Singapore would now require the approval of the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS), which acts as a central bank.

MAS officials were not available to confirm the report.

The Singapore move was in keeping with a U.N. resolution to impose economic sanctions against Iraq for its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The move will prevent any Iraqi-backed regime in Kuwait from withdrawing the country's assets abroad.

The Kuwaiti government has an investment arm in Singapore, the Kuwait Investment Office (KIO). KIO's two biggest investments in Singapore are a 33 per cent stake in the Overseas Union Bank Centre and a 49 per cent stake in a stockbroking firm.

The amount of its investments in the two organisations is said to be in the region of 250 million U.S. dollars.

"KIO's also has investments in other companies in the region through its Singapore office, but its amount is not known," said one banking source.

Singapore's trade with both Iraq and Kuwait accounted for less than one per cent of its total foreign trade in 1989. Trade with the two countries jointly amounted to about 722 million U.S. dollars.

Main imports from Iraq were food products such as dates while exports were in timber.

Petroleum products were Singapore's major imports from Kuwait while Singapore exported timber products, machinery and transport equipment.

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#90222d3740 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 10) - Bank Negara, Malaysia's central bank, said Friday it was seeking a court order to place a troubled finance company in receivership, paving the way for its takeover.

A Bank Negara spokesman said the order would enable it to transfer the assets and liabilities of First Malaysia Finance Bhd. to Arab-Malaysian Finance Bhd. after the troubled company was liquidated and its licence withdrawn.

First Malaysia, with total assets of 386 million dollars (143 million U.S.) at the end of 1989, had accumulated loan losses of 136.6 million dollars (50 million U.S.). The company has a paid-up capital of 20.2 million dollars (7.5 million U.S.).

The Bank Negara spokesman said Arab-Malaysian, currently the third largest of 46 locally-incorporated finance companies, would take over First Malaysia's 24 branches, boosting its own network to 50.

First Malaysia is one of four finance companies and four commercial banks the central bank has taken over in the past three years after they ran up huge loan losses.

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#90222d3830 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 10) - The West German navy is to send five minesweepers and a support ship into the eastern Mediterranean Sea, government spokesman Hans Klein said here Friday.

They will be deployed if international waters are mined, and will would be send to the Gulf if needed there, he added.

The West German constitution bans the stationing of troops in troubled areas or their involvement in battles. But the eastern part of the Mediterranean is regarded as a zone inside the sphere of interest of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato).

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#90222d3850 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (AUG. 10) - The historic family control of Australia's John Fairfax Group Pty. Ltd. newspaper empire could end within three months, the group's chairman said in the group's flagship newspaper Friday.

Chairman Bryan Kelman made the prediction in The Sydney Morning Herald following the resignation Thursday of Chief Executive Peter King and his replacement by the paper's former editor-in-chief Chris Anderson.

The Fairfax family currently owns 100 percent of the 158-year-old group after Warwick Fairfax, a descendant of the founder, launched an ill-timed 2.1 billion dollar (1.7 billion U.S.) bid for the group, at that time listed on the stock exchange, just before the stockmarket collapsed in 1987.

Warwick Fairfax owns 75 percent of the company and his mother, Lady Mary Fairfax, the remaining 25 percent although she has no voting rights.

Mr. Fairfax had voted for the removal of Mr. King, whom he appointed after the company's 1987 privatisation.

Mr. Kelman said the Fairfax family would have its holding watered down by a

debt refinancing program within three months.

The paper said: "It is envisaged that Warwick Fairfax's equity could be reduced to as little as five to 10 percent following the refinancing."

The significance of Mr. Anderson's appointment was that he had favoured more haste in refinancing the company's 1.6 billion Australian dollar (1.3 billion U.S.) debt, the paper said.

The group's debt includes a 450 million dollar (359 million U.S.) junk bond issue arranged by the collapsed U.S. firm Drexel Burnham Lambert.

The Fairfax group has already warned the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission that it will default on its debt by 1992-93 if the slide in advertising revenues, down 23 percent on last year, continued.

"The immediate challenge for the group is to lower the debt burden by replacing the junk bond debt -- which carries punishing interest rates -- with new equity partners," the paper said.

The group's assets include The Australian Financial Review, The Sydney Morning Herald and The Age of Melbourne.

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#90222d3890 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 10) - Asian economies will benefit from reforms in Eastern Europe while any decline in Western aid to the region will be offset by inflows of private capital, an affiliate of Japan's Nomura Securities Co. Ltd. says.

Kwan Chi Hung, an economist at Nomura Reseach Institute, dismissed fears that Eastern Europe's demand for funds would adversely affect Asian development, especially among members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).

"This worry seems to be overstated," he said in the institute's latest monthly review. "The outlook for Asia may not be so dim."

Mr. Kwan said that reduced military spending in the United States would ultimately flow through to its budget and trade deficits.

"The resulting fall in the U.S. twin deficits should increase global savings and thus expand the size of the pie available to both Asia and Eastern Europe," he said.

"While there might be a diversion of aid from Asia to Eastern Europe, the inflow of private capital will continue to support economic development in

the Asia-Pacific region," he added.

"Indeed, the emergence of Asia's newly industrialised economies as investors in the ASEAN countries in the last few years has greatly reduced the relative importance of the United States and Western Europe."

Mr. Kwan also noted that newly industrialised South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Singapore would find Eastern Europe an attractive market for their consumer goods.

The diversion of exports to Eastern Europe "should help reduce their dependence on the U.S. market and calm trade friction," he said.

Some members of ASEAN -- which groups Indonesia, Thailand, the Philippines, Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei -- voiced concern about reduced aid at their annual meeting with foreign ministers from six industrial nations last month.

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#90222d3900 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 10) - The Soviet government is to raise the producer price paid by the state to farmers by an average 32 percent from January 1, according to a cabinet decision published in the press here Friday.

The increases, part of the transition to a market economy, will cover livestock and poultry, sunflowers, beetroot, cotton, linen, tobacco and tea.

It will be up to the governments of the Soviet republics to set producer prices for other items.

The increases are aimed at bringing the prices paid to producers closer to production costs, reducing state subsidies, and encouraging Soviet farmers to increase production.

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#90222d3960 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VEVEY, Switzerland (AUG. 10) - Nestle, the world's largest agro-food group, said Friday its turnover in the first half of this year was virtually unchanged from the same period of 1989, at 22.7 billion Swiss francs (16.3 billion dollars).

Turnover in the first half of last year came to 22.8 billion Swiss francs.

The stagnation was due to currency fluctuations, particularly of the yen and the dollar, Nestle said, estimating that exchange rate differences had

reduced turnover by 12 percent in the first half.

This was only "partially offset by price rises in high inflation countries " and "lower commodities prices, particularly of coffee, also play a role as they affect the selling price" on "a certain number of major markets," the group said.

Sales volume was up two percent in the first half of 1990 from the same period last year, but the group said it was "expecting better sales volume in the second half."

Consolidated turnover for the full year would depend on sales volume and exchange rate movements "which at the moment prevent any reliable forecasting."

Nestle had a consolidated turnover of 48.03 billion Swiss francs (32.6 billion dollars) last year, up 21.6 over the 1988 level, with net profit up 17.2 percent at 2.41 billion francs (1.45 billion dollars).

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#90222d3970 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (AUG. 10) - China has received a government loan from Spain to modernize a Shanghai cement plant, the pro-Beijing Ta Kung Pao newspaper reported here Friday.

A Spanish Embassy source in Beijing said the 15 million dollar loan was to be drawn from a 250-million-dollar credit line for 1989-90 signed before last year's suppression of the democracy movement in Beijing, which was followed by Western economic sanctions against China.

The loan will be used for technology from Spain and Denmark to modernize the old plant in a way to save more than 80,000 tons of coal a year and eliminate 91.5 percent of the dust it produces, the newspaper said.

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#90222d3980 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 10) - The Gulf crisis is not expected to badly affect Malaysia's crude oil imports from West Asian countries, an official of the national oil company Petronas said Friday.

Petronas chairman Basir Ismail said Malaysia's crude imports from West Asia,
mainly through the Shell and Esso oil companies, was negligible.

Petronas received no instructions from the government to increase production in order to cope with an anticipated shortage following the

crisis, he said.

Malaysia's current output is 590,000 barrels per day.

Experts say Malaysia, a net exporter of crude oil, has limited capacity to raise production.

Mr. Basir said he expected the Gulf crisis to send local crude prices higher.

Malaysia's Tapis benchmark was traded at 29 U.S. dollars a barrel Wednesday,
 compared with 17 dollars before Iraq invaded Kuwait.

He said that if a local supply problem were to arise, Petronas would meet the oil companies to overcome it.

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#90222d4030 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SUVA (AUG. 10) - Japan's Electronic and Industrial Enterprises Corp. (EIE) Friday bought a 7.5 percent stake from the government in Fiji's national carrier, Air Pacific, a tourism ministry official said.

The spokesman said EIE won the parcel for an undisclosed sum in recognition of its investments in Fiji.

The Japanese multinational is investing about 210 million U.S dollars in an island resort here.

The Fiji government holds the controlling stake in the airline that showed an 11.7 million dollar profit in the year up to March 31.

The government saw the sale as beneficial "from the point of view of Air Pacific's Japan service and EIE's investment and commitment in the tourism industry now and in the future," a tourism spokesman said.

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#90222d4090 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (AUG. 10) - Foreign ministers of the European Community voiced here Friday their ''deep concern'' for citizens of their countries in Iraq and Kuwait, a day after Iraq in effect closed its borders.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas went even further and charged that foreigners living in Iraq and Iraqi-annexed Kuwait were ''hostages''.

The E.C. ministers said in a statement the Community would hold Baghdad

responsible for the well-being of European citizens in the two states and that it would do everything possible to achieve their evacuation from the two internationally isolated Gulf nations.

The Community is to hold intensive talks with Arab states in order to implement a United Nations Security Council resolution calling for a boycott of Iraq and annexed Kuwait until Iraqi troops are pulled out from the neighbouring territory, the communique read.

Italian Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis said the foreign ministers of the West European Union were scheduled to debate in Paris next week the military aspects of the Gulf crisis, which was triggered by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

The E.C. ministers in Brussels were to be joined after their debate by ministers of those states which are members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato) but not of the Community.

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#90222d4100 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (AUG. 10) - Skyrocketing hotel prices and poor services and facilities have led a Thai travel agency to call off plans to organize tours to Cambodia.

Kudos Travel Service Co. managing director Jessada Kraipuspong said his firm had planned to join a regional hotel chain to organize tours to Cambodia, but decided to delay the project after a feasibility study showed it was not worth pursuing.

Mr. Jessada cited difficulities in procuring visas and the lack of security inside Cambodia as the main reasons for cancelling the project.

Charter companies refused to risk flying over Cambodian air space and insurance firms refused to cover the operation, he added.

The "Cambodian Tour" -- six days and five nights -- would have cost about 40,000 baht (1,600 dollars), he said.

Cambodian resistance forces spearheaded by the Khmer Rouge this year pushed their frontline to Cambodia's central province of Kompong Thom, 120 kilometers (75 miles) north of the capital, Phnom Penh, and several times shelled its airport.

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#90222d4120 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (AUG. 10) - More than a million volunteers have come forward to

join a popular army to defend Kuwait, according to an official statement published in the Iraqi press.

The statement came as Western military forces massed in the Gulf, with the United States, France, and Britain moving naval, air, and ground forces to the region following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Within a week of the call to enlist, 350,000 volunteers from Baghdad, 388,000 from the Euphrates region, 270,000 from the north and 260,000 from the south of the country had signed up, the statement said.

Reports Friday in Iraq's daily newspapers described Iraq as a "forest of guns" and said thousands of army volunteers had arrived from Arab countries including Palestinians, Jordanians, Yemenis, Tunisians, Algeriens and Libyans.

"Tens of thousands of Iraqis are thronging the ranks of the (ruling) Baath Party to defend their country against any foreign aggression," the official publications said.

Iraq's People's Army, demobilized in 1988 at the end of the war with Iran, has been rehabilitated by Baghdad following the invasion of Kuwait.

"Tens of thousands of volunteers were signing up "to defend the country and the revolution in Kuwait," an army official said Monday.

On Saturday, Baghdad said 140,515 Iraqi volunteers had asked to join the People's Army, which had been created by the "interim government of free Kuwait" and which welcomed conscripts among "Kuwaitis and Arab nationals".

Iraq announced Wednesday the total annexation of Kuwait, and that the political, military and diplomatic institutions of the two countries would in future be run from Baghdad.

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#90222d4190 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (AUG. 10) - The Soviet Union has paid back in recent months part of the 235 million markka (63 million dollars) it owes Finnish companies in unpaid bills, according to a study published here Friday.

The study from the Finnish metallurgical industry said that at the end of June the Soviet Union had paid back 130 million markka (35 million dollars), with the largest single amount being a bill of almost 20 million markka (5.3 million dollars).

Most of the bills had been outstanding since the end of last year, but some Finnish companies had waited 18 months to be paid.

Finnish timber companies had threatened in June to suspend exports to the Soviet Union until the debts were paid off.

The Kauppalehti newspaper, which published the study's findings on Friday, said that Finnish exporters had learned that the Soviet Government was giving priority to paying off debts to West German companies.

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#90222d4240 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (AUG. 10) - Denying press reports that Iraq was amassing troops on the Turkish border, the Iraqi embassy said Friday Turkey had given assurances it would not join the United States in a conflict in the Gulf.

A written statement here referring to Ankara's blocking of Iraqi oil exports through twin pipelines running to a Turkish port, the freezing of Iraqi assets and its refusal to recognise Iraq's annexation of Kuwait said ''we have understanding for the attitude Turkey had to take under American pressure''.

It said Iraq was respecting all its agreements with Turkey.

''Turkey, for its part, has told Baghdad that it would not allow the use of its territory for an attack on Iraq, and would not join the U.S. in a conflict in the Gulf,'' the statement said.

The embassy statement followed reports that Iraqi troops had been digging in along the border and that three divisions had been sent to the vicinity of Habur, the chief crossing point.

Turkish Premier Yildirim Akbulut said Thursday the reports were untrue. The General Staff confirmed that some units of the Turkish Air Force had been put on an ''advanced state of preparedness''.

Despite assurances Thursday by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker on the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato) committment to Turkey's security, Ankara remained cool to a military role in the Gulf.

Turkish officials said Baker had not sought permission for the use of Incirlik air base, 640 kilometres to the Iraqi border, where a squadron of long-range F-111 bombers have been ''exercising''.

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#90222d4250 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 10) - West German airline Lufthansa said Friday it had asked the West German Transport Ministry to authorise it to operate regular

domestic and international flights to and from Berlin from October 28.

Since the end of World War II the allied powers -- the Soviet Union, Britain, the United States and France -- have had control over air routes serving Berlin.

Pan Am, British Airways, Air France and Euroberlin France, a joint venture between Air France and Lufthansa, are currently the only airlines allowed to operate services between West Berlin and West Germany.

Lufthansa will need the authorisation of the allied powers for its plans to use the Tegel airport at West Berlin and Schoenfeld outside East Berlin in East Germany.

The four allies have already said they are prepared to abandon their rights and responsibilities in Germany.

Lufthansa is planning to operate eight daily services between Berlin and CologneBonn, and four to Frankfurt, Stuttgart, Munich, Duesseldorf and Hamburg.

It also hopes to operate flights from Berlin to London, Athens, Brussels, Rome, Istanbul and Warsaw, plus weekly services to New York, Beijing, Tokyo and Bankgok.

A Lufthansa plane touched down at Schoenfeld for the first time last week, to pick up 200 children from Chernobyl on the way home from a holiday in East Germany.

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#90222d4300 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (AUG. 10) - Turkish President Turgut Ozal said Friday he did not expect a big military operation in the Gulf if nothing happens in the next seven days, the semi-official Anatolia news agency reported.

Mr. Ozal was critical of a Turkish newspaper which Thursday ran the front-page headline "War is drawing near". He said a military operation was "very unlikely" in the Gulf "if nothing happens over the next week".

Meanwhile, Turkish customs authorities said the border with Iraq would be closed from Monday, Anatolia reported Friday. Between 6,000 to 7,000 mainly Turkish vehicles were backed up at Habur border post waiting to enter Turkish territory.

Customs officials said that after the border closure "only trucks carrying supplies and medecine, as well as returning Iraqis, will be authorised to enter Iraq".

Mr. Ozal, who was speaking in Istanbul, also said oil prices would not rise "much more" and he expected the cost to drop to around 20 dollars a barrel.

In a broadcast late Thursday, Mr. Ozal said Turkey would enforce international sanctions against Iraq and again condemned the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq, stressing "Turkey's important strategic role for regional and world peace".

However, the Iraqi embassy here said Friday that "Turkey had informed Baghdad that it will not align itself with the United States in the Gulf conflict," Anatolia news agency reported.

In a communique, the embassy said Iraq understood the Turkish position "under American pressure". The communique also denied reports that it was concentrating forces along its northern border with Turkey.

In talks Thursday with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, Turkish officials refused to take part in a multinational force in Saudi Arabia and ruled out the use of Turkish-American military bases as a launching pad for any strike against Iraq.

Turkey has closed the two pipelines which run through its territory bringing Iraqi oil to the Mediterranean in response to the U.N. embargo on Iraq. Movements of troops and military equipment to the Iraqi border area have been described as "precautionary" by the Turkish military.

On Thursday, two Austrians, two West Germans, a New Zealander, a Swiss and an Indian family crossed into Turkish territory at Habur.

A West German consular official in Ankara said that 600 German workers remain in Iraq. He said he expected 200 of them to leave Iraq by way of Habur.

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#90222d4380 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KARACHI (AUG. 10) - Leaders of deposed prime minister Benazir Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party (PPP) met here Friday to discuss its future strategy and whether to take legal action against the country's president, party sources said.

Some 50 former ministers and members of the sacked provincial assemblies joined the party's central executive committee at Friday's meeting, the party sources said.

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan dismissed Ms. Bhutto and her government Monday and imposed a state of emergency, alleging that the government was corrupt

and the country faced internal and external security threats.

Insiders said the party was unlikely to boycott elections promised by Mr. Ishaq Khan for October 24. However, they said it was considering a petition to the country's Supreme Court to protest the government's sacking.

The PPP central committee has more than 24 members, but there were no details on how many took part in the meeting.

Sources said joint party leader Begum Nusrat Bhutto, Ms. Bhutto's mother, did not take part in the talks, which were expected to focus on party unity after the abrupt end of Ms. Bhutto's government.

Ms. Bhutto, 37, said her ouster was planned by military intelligence here.

Hours after he sacked Ms. Bhutto, Mr. Ishaq Khan gave a rundown of her 20-month rule, punctuated with charges of corruption and the misuse of power.

Ms. Bhutto rejected the charges as "vague and baseless."

The Dawn, a local English-language daily, said Ms. Bhutto spent Thursday attempting to gauge what effect the president's charges had on the country's population and how far they were convinced by her statement that the army was behind her overthrow.

Her main task now is to hold the party together and prevent desertions, a PPP source said.

Two of the party's senior members have already joined the caretaker government of former opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi and there was speculation in the press here that they may be expelled from the PPP.

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#90222d4410 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUGUST 10) - Iraqi troops are being redeployed from the Kuwait city centre to areas along the coast of the country, the British Foreign Office said Friday.

A spokesman had no further details on where the troops were being sent, but added there were "increasing reports" of low morale among Iraqi soldiers.

There was also "increased looting" in Kuwait city itself, the spokesman said, adding that the country still had adequate supplies of food and electricity.

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#90222d4420 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PORT ELIZABETH (AUG. 10) - The death toll in this eastern Cape province city rose to 42 Friday as rioting entered its fifth day and spread to a neighbouring town in the worst single outbreak of political violence in South Africa since 1986.

Police said there were ''positive signs'' of a return to normality after troops were sent into Port Elizabeth's ''coloured'' (mixed-race) townships Thursday.

Several hundred people were treated for gunshot wounds after police and soldiers fought running battles with rampaging mobs during the four days of looting and arson attacks.

Most of the deaths occurred as a result of security-force action, and police said they had arrested 220 people.

''It would appear the situation is under control, but we cannot say if it would flair up again or what is going to happen,'' police spokesman Bill Dennis said.

While it is believed the violence began as a political protest against a ''coloured'' politician and related civic issues, police and activists agreed it had been hijacked by criminal elements.

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#90222d4450 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (AUG. 10) - The European Economic Community offered Friday to help Arab governments defuse the Gulf crisis, and hoped the Arab summit in Cairo would ''take concrete measures to this end''.

A statement issued by the foreign ministers of the 12-nation EEC said they had ''decided to maintain close contact with Arab governments and to offer their assistance to Arab efforts aimed at defusing tensions and restoring international legality'' following Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

The EEC presidency would hold discussions with the Arab side about ''the possibility of cooperation aimed at achieving this common purpose" within the framework of U.N. Security Council resolutions.

The ministers were meeting ahead of emergency North Atlantic Treaty Organisation talks.

Current EEC ministerial council chairman Gianni de Michelis of Italy said

priority contact would be made with Egypt and Jordan. Economic aid had been promised to Jordan, and an agreement offering trade advantages to Gulf states would be expedited, he said.

Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens said all-round cooperation was planned, with the formation of a joint EEC-Gulf council, and a mission comprising Ireland, Italy and Luxembourg -- the past, present and next council chairmen -- would visit Jordan.

The ministers condemned the annexation of Kuwait and the Iraqi order to move embassies to Baghdad. They agreed to coordinate action to try to ensure an EEC diplomatic presence in Kuwait, of at least one embassy, Mr. Eyskens said. Mr. de Michelis explained that would be done without giving credence to the idea of even indirect recognition of the Iraqi annexation. EEC specialists are to tackle the matter next Monday and Tuesday.

The ministers stated readiness to take supplementary measures in the U.N. context to resolve the crisis, and noted that some member countries had already taken helpful steps -- Britain and France had offered military support to the American troops sent to Saudi Arabia, and Italy, Spain, West Germany, Portugal and Greece had opeend their bases for the United States to use.

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#90222d4550 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (AUG. 10) - Prime Minister Bob Hawke indicated Friday that Canada, Western European nations and Japan may join the international naval fleet in the Gulf.

In an interview with the Australian Broadcasting Corp., Mr. Hawke said he had held discussions with Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney.

"I can say they are deeply in the process of considering their position now," he said.

Mr. Hawke was interviewed after announcing his decision to order three Australian warships to the Gulf to join the multinational fleet.

He said, "It is not for me to announce what will come out of Canada, but I believe from the conversations I've had with Prime Minister Mulroney that you will see Canadian decisons not inconsistent with what we have done."

He also said members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) were meeting Friday to discuss their involvement, following unilateral announcements by Britain, Italy and The Netherlands.

"So I have no doubt we will see a significant Western European involvement

" he said.

Asked whether Japan might also become involved, Mr. Hawke said he had discussed the issue with U.S. President George Bush. "I cannot go into detail, but it is possible that there may be some Japanese involvement", he said.

"The defence of all nations is involved in ensuring that aggression is checked," Mr. Hawke said.

He also said he had received a call from New Zealand Prime Minister Geoffrey Palmer, who said New Zealand also wanted to do something. "They will be considering the matter on Monday but they haven't got naval assets capable of doing what we're doing," Mr. Hawke said.

He said Mr. Palmer, who had "expressed his approval" for the Australian intervention, had raised the question of whether the New Zealand Navy might "pick up some vacuum left by the despatch of our forces."

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#90222d4620 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 10) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev sent a message Friday to his Egyptian counterpart, Hosni Mubarak, and to the other Arab heads of state gathered in Cairo for an extraordinary Arab summit on the Gulf crisis, according to Soviet news agency Tass.

In addition, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze discussed the crisis by telephone with American Secretary of State James Baker, in Brussels for a meeting of the NATO council of ministers.

The Gulf crisis, touched off by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, was also the subject of a meeting Friday in Moscow between Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Belonogov and the Iranian ambassador to Moscow, Naser Heirany Noobary, who requested the interview.

The two men expressed their concern at the "dangerous developments" in the Gulf, Tass said.

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#90222d4650 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 10) - Canadian Chief of Staff General John de Chasterlain ended a five-day visit to the Soviet Union on Friday after trips to Moscow, Leningrad and Murmansk, in the far North, Tass news agency reported.

During his visit, Gen. de Chasterlain met Soviet military commanders and watched demonstrations by paratroopers and marines.

He also inspected the missile cruiser Marshal Ustinov at the Severomorsk naval base in Murmansk, and a number of garrisons in the Leningrad military district.

In Moscow, he held talks with General Mikhail Moiseyev, chief of the Soviet defence staff and first deputy defence minister, notably on confidence-building measures between the armed forces, Tass said.

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#90222d4720 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (AUG. 10) - Senior U.S. State Department envoy John Kelly met here Friday with Syrian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Nasser Kaddour to discuss the crisis in the Gulf, the Syrian news agency SANA reported.

Mr. Kelly, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian affairs, said he and Mr. Kaddour "went over the whole range of what is going on in the region."

Western and Arab efforts to forge a diplomatic solution to the Iraqi invasion and annexation of Kuwait have intensified, amid a massive Western military buildup in the Gulf.

Mr. Kelly said he had come to Damascus Thursday "at the request of (U.S.) President (George) Bush and Secretary of State James Baker to discuss events in the region with the Syrian government."

"We had a good exchange of views that was worthwhile to me. I will be reporting to my government and we will all be awaiting the result of the Arab summit under way now in Cairo," he said.

Syria, ruled by a rival wing of the Baath party, has been Iraq's principal Arab adversary in recent years.

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#90222d4730 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 10) - The Competitions Board is to investigate share transactions of the South African mining giant Anglo American Corporation (AAC), a spokesman for the board said here Friday.

The board is looking into purchases in South Africa's third-biggest mining company Gold Fields of South Africa (GFSA) by or on behalf of AAC, De Beers Consolidated Mines and their associated companies since June 1989.

The investigation was sparked by a statement in AAC's 1990 annual report,

saying the group at present owned at least 25 per cent of GFSA and that comment from business circles said the figure could even be higher, the South African Press Association (SAPA) reported Friday.

SAPA said the aim of the investigation was to examine whether the purchases represent an acquisition or a restrictive practice and if they could place AAC in a monopoly situation.

The board will also look into how the situation will enable AAC to appoint one or more directors to the GFSA board.

A spokesman for AAC said the situation was being investigated internally but declined to comment further, SAPA said.

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#90222d4740 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

(AUG. 10) - More than half a million Asians remained Friday in Iraq and occupied Kuwait as their governments explored options to evacuate them amid reports of killings and rapes.

A Pakistani newspaper quoting reliable sources reported that some of the 90,000 Pakistanis in Iraqi-annexed Kuwait and 50,000 in Iraq had started to leave.

But an estimated 170,000 Indians, 100,000 Sri Lankans, 90,000 Pakistanis, 70,000 Bangladeshis, 60,000 Filipinos, 7,000 Thais and 2,000 Japanese were still stranded in Kuwait, Asian officials said.

There were 6,000 Thais, 5,000 Filipinos and 3,000 Malaysians in Iraq.

Iraq sealed its borders Thursday and reportedly said only diplomats would be allowed to leave.

While New Delhi said it learned through its diplomatic mission in Kuwait that its nationals were safe, Philippine President Corazon Aquino said Friday that three Filipino workers have been killed and three others raped in Kuwait.

Mrs. Aquino said the information about the attacks was relayed to her by Labor Secretary Ruben Torres, whom she sent to Saudi Arabia earlier this week to supervise the evacuation of Filipino workers who have fled Kuwait.

Shirley Gorospe, a Filipina domestic helper in Kuwait who arrived here Friday via Saudi Arabia, told reporters at the airport that "Iraqi soldiers are raping the women there, Filipinas included."

Thai officials on Tuesday said Iraqi troops killed one Thai national and

detained more than 200 others in Kuwait.

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#90222d4880 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (AUG. 10) - A South Korean farmers' group said Friday it strongly opposed the current Uruguay Round of multilateral trade talks on agriculture and warned that they could ruin the local farming industry.

Han Ho-Sun, head of the National Agriculture Cooperative Federation, told a press conference that the nation's agricultural industry would collapse if the local market was thrown open to foreign products.

"We are especially dead-set against the import of major crops such as rice, barley, beans, corn, hot pepper, garlic, sesame and beef," Han said.

He said local heads of the federation's 1,460 member cooperatives would meet Monday to adopt a resolution urging the government to withstand pressure from the United States and other agriculture-exporting countries at the Uruguay Round talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

The Uruguay Round are the first GATT negotiations to tackle the touchy issues of trade in agriculture and services.

The round is due to end in December, but Western members have warned recently that without concessions on agriculture from Japan, South Korea and the European Economic Community, the talks may not reach a consensus.

South Korea's agricutural industry, which supports 16 percent of the country's 40 million population, has been sacrificed for industrial development in the past three decades, Han said.

He said the government must implement measures to protect local farmers from foreign imports and increase investment in agriculture.

An agriculture ministry official said South Korea's agricultural industry had little competitive edge over foreign products and major agricutural items would be outpriced by foreign imports.

Only vegetables and some fruits that are difficult to store would be able to survive competition from foreign countries, he said.

Each GATT member country is supposed to submit a timetable for liberalizing agricultural imports to negotiators in Geneva when talks resume there on Aug. 27.

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#90222d4890 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 10) - The Heavy Industries Corp. of Malaysia (HICOM), a state-owned automaker, Friday reported a group pre-tax profit of 236 million dollars (87 million U.S.) for the year ended Mar. 31.

This represented a five-fold increase from 46 million dollars (17 million U.S.) for the HICOM group which was set up to spearhead Malaysia's industrialization drive.

HICOM president Jamil Jan said group turnover soared to 1.56 billion dollars (578 million U.S.), up 64 percent from 951 million dollars (352 million U.S.) the previous year.

Jamil said HICOM also managed to reduce its accumulated losses to 96 million dollars (36 million U.S.) from 252 million dollars (93 million U.S.), the bulk of which resulted from foreign exchange losses on its Japanese yen loans.

The group, which also has interests in motorcycle and cement manufacture and property development, still has yen loans totalling 12.18 billion yen (81.2 million U.S.).

Jamil attributed the record performance to the improved Malaysian economy, strong expansion in domestic demand especially for cars and motorcycles and property along with the company's cost-cutting measures.

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#90222d4980 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 10) - The price of Brent North Sea crude oil rose to 26 dollars a barrel in afternoon trading in London on Friday, after slipping to 24.8 in early trading.

Brent had closed Thursday at 25 dollars a barrel.

Dealers said the market was calm while awaiting further developments in the Gulf and news from an Arab summit in Cairo discussing Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

Brent North Sea crude for September delivery was around 24 dollars a barrel Friday on the Rotterdam free market, after soaring above 28 dollars early in the week.

The secretary general of the association of independent oil traders, Henk Oskam, warned that prices remained "very sensitive to the slightest development" in the Gulf.

In Singapore, fuel and crude oil prices weakened on the Singapore International Monetary Exchange (SIMEX) ahead of the Arab leaders' meeting in Cairo.

Dubai crude for September delivery closed at 21.50 U.S. dollars a barrel after hitting a high of 22.95 dollars in the morning, compared to 22.10 dollars a barrel Wednesday.

There was no trading Thursday as the market was closed for the National Day holiday.

Dealers attributed the lower prices to the reduction of tension in the Gulf and signs that the conflict may not be a long one, in view of the presence of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia.

The meeting of Arab leaders to solve the crisis also put downward pressure on prices.

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#90222d5000 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 10) - British brokers James Capel and investment bank Midland Montagu have set up a joint stockbroking operation in Spain, the two companies said here Friday.

James Capel-Midland Agencia de Valores will trade on the Spanish stock market and have a team of specialist analysts.

The move marked a further step in the already close cooperation between James Capel's parent company, the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, and Britain's Midland Bank, the parent company of Midland Montagu.

The two banks have already pooled part of their data system and cash dispenser networks.

The new Spanish operation will be capitalised at 150 million pesetas (1.5 million dollars), with Midland Montagu holding 70 per cent and Capel the remaining 30 per cent.

Its setting up was made possible by changes in Spanish regulations to allow foreign companies to operate directly.

The City is avidly watching all signs of closer ties between Hong Kong and Shanghai and Midland, and is expecting the two major banks to merge at the end of the year, with the Hong Kong bank increasing the 14.9 per cent stake in Midland it acquired just after the 1987 world stock market crash.

Some analysts consider that the rival networks of James Capel and Midland

Montagu are one of the major obstacles to a merger.

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#90222d5030 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (AUG. 10) - Five thousand protesters gathered in the Jordanian capital Friday accusing the United States of leading a new crusade against the Arabs using the pretext of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

In a demonstration organized by the "Moslem Brothers" at the mosque of Jordan University following prayers on the Moslem holy day, speakers said Washington was "heading a new crusade against the Arabs" and condemned Saudi Arabia for having "called in foreign armies to fight Arabs."

They burned an American, British and Israeli flag and chanted slogans against Saudi Arabia's King Fahd, saying: "Fahd, you are an American spy," and, "Fahd, (Iraqi President) Saddam (Hussein) will attack you."

Several of the demonstrators raised portraits of the Iraqi leader, but organizers ordered them to be put them away saying, "the Arab nation must unite against the dangers threatening it."

In the southern Jordanian city of Ma'an, demonstrators brandishing portraits of the Iraqi president burned U.S. and British flags Friday, witnesses said.

Hundreds of protesters marched through the city after Friday prayers carrying portraits of the Iraqi president and of Jordan's King Hussein and chanting anti-American slogans, they said.

They called for the downfall of the "Arab traitors," in a reference to Saudi Arabia which has invited American troops to deploy on its soil to help protect its borders from the threat of an Iraqi invasion.

In Damascus, more than 1,000 Kuwaiti demonstrators, led by the Kuwait's ambassador to Syria, Abdel Aziz al-Jassem, protested the Iraqi invasion and annexation of their country.

Kuwaitis symbolically spilled their blood at the beginning of the demonstration and raised banners "Yes to a legitimate government, no to the bogus Saddam government, "Saddam, enemy of God."

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#90222d5130 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 10) - Iraq could hold out against an economic blockade for at least six months, Philip Robins of the Royal Institute of International Affairs said Friday.

"Since last autumn, they have imported large quantities of Australian wheat and I think it could have been planned in advance," Mr. Philips said in an interview on ITN television.

The time could be exploited to encourage certain countries to break the embargo, Mr. Philips said, pointing out that resolution 661 of the United Nations permits each country to supply Iraq with food for humanitarian reasons.

According to some estimates, Iraq imports almost 80 per cent of its food and one of its main suppliers is Turkey.

Mr. Philips said it remained to be seen if Iraqis, who have already experienced serious privation during the eight-year war with Iran, will tolerate new restrictions, knowing the annexation of Kuwait is intended to bolster the financial resources of the country.

"Saddam Hussein will have to depend on his political skill to maintain the morale of his people," Mr. Philips said.

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#90222d5150 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 10) - Some 50,000 jobs could be lost in the British construction industry by the end of this year, according to a study published Friday by the British Employers Federation.

Construction demand in Britain in the second quarter saw its sharpest fall since mid-1981, and 40 percent of the federation's 9,500 members are intending to axe jobs by the end of the year, the study said.

"Prospects for the industry appear to be continuing to worsen," said federation chairman David Woods, adding there was no prospect "of an upturn in trading activity for at least 12 months, and possibly longer."

He said that if interest rates fell during the period, this would boost the private housebuilding sector.

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#90222d5250 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WETZLAR, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 10) - Several bomb disposal experts were killed Friday in a failed attempt to defuse a World War II bomb here, police sources said.

The 500 kilogramme (about 1,100 pound) American bomb had been unearthed by children Thursday, the source said.

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#90222d5390 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) - U.S. President George Bush here Friday said a military showdown between U.S. and Iraqi troops in Saudi Arabia was ''not imminent'', but added that ''if necessary, the forces are fully prepared to defend themselves''.

Bush in a letter officially informed Congress about his recent decision to sent U.S. troops and military aircraft to Saudi Arabia in order to prevent Iraqi soldiers in annexed Kuwait from attacking the kingdom.

''I do not believe involvement in hostilities is imminent. To the contrary, it is my belief that this deployment (of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia) will facilitate a peaceful resolution of the crisis.''

''If necessary, however, the forces are fully prepared to defend themselves. Although it's not possible to predict the scope and duration of this deployment, our armed forces will remain so long as their presence is required to contribute to the security of the region as desired by the Saudi government,'' the letter read.

Bush said Iraq ''has massed an enormous and sophisticated war machine on the Kuwait-Saudi Arabian border and in southern Iraq capable of initiating further hostilities with little or no additional preparation''.

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#90222d5490 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRETORIA (AUG. 10) - Trade relations between South Africa and Hungary are to be normalised under a trade protocol signed in Budapest Friday by South African Trade Minister Kent Durr and Hungary's Minister of International Economic Relations, Bela Kadar, Mr. Durr's office said in a statement here.

The statement said the protocol was the first trade agreement between the two countries. The ministers also agreed on practical measures to promote bilateral trade and economic relations.

Mr. Durr was received on an official visit to Hungary by Hungarian Foreign Affairs Minister Geza Jeszenozky, the statement said.

The trade protocol follows a visit to Hungary in January by Foreign Minister Pik Botha -- the first by a South African foreign minister to a Warsaw Pact country.

Analysts at the time saw the mission as an attempt by South Africa to capitalise on upheavals in Eastern Europe in forging links that would end

South Africa's economic and political isolation.

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#90222d5710 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (AUG. 10) - The West German government will evacuate its citizens remaining in Liberia as soon as possible, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said Friday.

A West German naval airplane is at Conakry, Guinea, and will take off for Monrovia as soon as the airport at Monrovia is sufficiently secure.

Some thirty West Germans, most of them diplomatic personnel, are currently in the West German embassy in Monrovia and some twenty others are at an iron mining site at Bong, 50 kilometers north of Monrovia.

The ministry said that combat took place Friday in the embassy district of Monrovia, which had previously been spared.

Some 300 Nigerians took refuge Thursday in the West German embassy, joining some 170 Liberians already in the compound.

Most of the 80 West Germans living in Monrovia and the 200 working at the Bong mine were evacuated in June.

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#90222d5760 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 10) - A wave of strikes cost the South African economy nearly 1.94 million man days in the first seven months of this year, labour researcher Erica Jancowitz said in a report Friday.

The figures were "way above those of last year", when according to government figures, 1.18 million man hours were lost through strikes, she said.

The report, covering the period from January 1 to July 31, said 32 percent of the total man days lost occurred in the retail sector, closely followed by the state sector at 30 percent.

The figures were based on 181 strikes which lasted one day and longer.

Miss Jancowitz said the fact that many workers belonged to the giant Congress of South African Trade Unions (COSATU) labour federation -- boasting some 1.2 million workers and representing 50 percent of all organised workers -- was a deterrent to employers resorting to mass dismissals during strikes.

South Africa's economic hub, the Pretoria-Johannesburg-Vereeniging region, showed greatest propensity for industrial action, with 35.4 percent of all strikes taking place in the region, she added.

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#90222d5770 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (AUG. 10) - Turkey denied Friday it had furnished any assurances to Baghdad that it would not allow the use of its territory for attacks on Iraq, as claimed in an Iraqi embassy statement issued earlier in the day.

The Iraqis asserted that Ankara told them Turkey would not join the United States in a conflict in the Gulf, but a foreign ministry statement said Turkey had joined in mandatory U.N. sanctions ''being a responsible member of the United Nations Organisation''.

''Since Turkey has harbours no hostile designs against its neighbours or any other country, it feels no need to make a statement amounting to a confirmation of this point of principle,'' the statement said.

Denying press reports that Baghdad was massing troops on the Turkish border, the Iraqi embassy here expressed ''understanding for the attitude Turkey had to take under American pressure''.

It was referring to Ankara's blocking of Iraqi oil exports through twin pipelines running to a Turkish port.

In a written statement, the embassy had said Iraq was respecting all its agreements with Turkey, and in turn, Ankara had supplied guarantees against facilitating or joining a military intervention.

But while denying the embassy's claim, Turkish officials made clear that Anlkara had no intention of assuming a military role ''unless the events take a different course, like, for instance, an agression against Saudi Arabia''.

Official sources dismissed the reports of an Iraqi troop build-up on the border, saying there was no intelligence confirmation of any abnormality.

But General Staff confirmed that some units of the Turkish Air Force had been put on an ''advanced state of preparedness''.

Despite assurances furnished Thursday by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker as to the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato) committment to Turkey's security, Ankara has remained cool towards any military role in the Gulf.

Turkish Foreign Ministry spokesman Murat Sungar said possible use of bases

in Turkey had not featured at all in Thursday's talks here between Baker and Turkish leaders. The presence of American long-range F-111 bombers at the Incirlik base in southern Turkey has caused speculation they might be available for strikes inside Iraq.

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#90222d5810 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 10) - The supreme soviet (parliament) of the Soviet autonomous republic of Karelia Friday declared that its laws and constitution have have priority over Russian and Soviet legislation and proclaimed Karelian sovereignty, Tass news agency reported.

Karelia, with a population of more than 700,000 and sited on the border with Finland, is the second Russian autonomous republic to declare its sovereignty following Bashkiria in eastern Siberia.

Tass said legislators in the Karelian capital Petrozavodsk adopted the declaration after four days of heated debate.

The declaration said that the newly created democratic and sovereign state of Karelia would voluntarily delegate some of its powers to Russian and the Soviet Union.

Byelorussia, Moldavia and Uzbekistan have also decided that their national laws have priority over those of the Soviet Union. The Ukraine and Russia have passed declarations of sovereignty.

Lithuania, which broke away form the Soviet Union last March, meanwhile called on Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to allow all Lithuanian soldiers in the Soviet army to go home.

The call came after the Lithuanian parliament decided that it was legal for Lithuanians to refuse to serve in the Soviet army. The army has been trying for days to recapture Lithuanian army defectors.

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#90222d5900 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) - President George Bush Friday played down the prospect of war in the Middle East as he officially informed Congress of the U.S. troop deployment to Saudi Arabia.

"I do not believe involvement in hostilities is imminent," Mr. Bush said in a letter submitted to Congress under the War Powers Act. "To the contrary, it is my belief that this deployment will facilitate a peaceful resolution of the crisis."

Under the War Powers Act, the president must notify Congress within 48 hours after committing U.S. forces overseas. He can be obligated to seek congressional permission, or a declaration of war, to keep the forces abroad for more than 60 days.

Mr. Bush announced the deployment in a televised address to the nation Wednesday. He said the deploymemt, codenamed "Desert Shield", was needed to defend the Saudis from Iraqi troops who invaded Kuwait August 2.

Mr. Bush said in the letter "our armed forces will remain (in Saudi Arabia) so long as their presence is required."

In a separate letter detailing U.S. sanctions against the regime of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, Mr. Bush said Iraq "has tightened its unlawful grip over the territory of Kuwait and has installed a puppet regime that in no way represents the people or legitimate government of Kuwait."

The War Powers Act was passed in 1973 to protest then president Richard Nixon's actions during the Vietnam War. The Bush administration and others that preceded it dispute the law, contending that notifying Congress does not trigger any 60-day clock.

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#90222d5930 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 10) - Another navy frigate left the Mediterranean military base of Toulon for the Gulf as France on Friday began assembling a task force totalling some 3,200 men and seven warships in the wake of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The 2,339-strong crew of the aircraft carrier Clemenceau began returning to base as their leave was cancelled after French President Francois Mitterrand announced Thursday that Paris was stepping up its military presence in the Gulf to be ready for any "new aggression" by Iraq.

Sources at the base said Toulon was placed on alert overnight Thursday. About 100 troops were already on the quayside Friday, and food supplies were being loaded on board the 32,000-tonne aircraft carrier, an AFP reporter at Toulon said.

About half of the Clemenceau crew had been on leave.

The French warships will bolster two French escort vessels already in the Gulf region and a third which set off earlier this week. The frigate Dupleix was expected in Djibouti Saturday, the defence ministry said.

The frigate Montcalm, which according to the Defence Ministry Friday has just left Toulon for the Gulf, is equipped with short-range Exocet

sea-to-sea (eds: correct) missiles and a missile-launching system for Crotale surface-to-air missiles.

The Montcalm is also equipped with Lynx helicopters.

The defence ministry also confirmed that the Var military tanker, which refuels warships and carries provisions, and Colbert cruiser equipped with Exocet and surface-to-air Masurca missiles, would be part of the task force around the Clemenceau.

According to the ministry, the Clemenceau would notably have on board the fifth helicopter regiment, part of France's rapid intervention force, and a company of the first infantry regiment.

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#90222d5970 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 10) - Anxiety grew Friday in Bonn and other European capitals as well as in Washington over the fate of Western nationals in Iraq and Kuwait, following Iraq's demand that all foreign embassies in annexed Kuwait close down within two weeks.

According to figures released in Bonn, 600 Germans are in Iraq and 300 in Kuwait. In Washington, it is believed that about 3,000 to 4,000 U.S. citizens are in Kuwait and Iraq. Turkey has about 12,000 of its citizens in Iraq and Kuwait.

A few Americans and Europeans managed earlier this week to escape from Iraq via Jordan, Turkey or Saudi Arabia but only a trickle of officially permitted departures have been reported since Iraq set up bureaucratic obstacles for foreigners wishing to leave.

The White House is not calling them hostages, saying this would only worsen the situation.

In Stockholm, the Swedish foreign ministry Friday officially protested against Iraq's effective ban on Westerners leaving the country. The Iraqi ambassador was told that Sweden demanded an immediate exit clearance for 160 Swedish nationals believed to be in Kuwait and Iraq.

A foreign ministry spokesman said Sweden would contact other countries over Iraq's demand to close the foreign embassies in Kuwait and reassign their duties to embassies in Baghdad.

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#90222d6290 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (AUG. 10) - The Zambian Parliament unanimously adopted a report

Thursday evening containing wide-ranging political reform proposals aimed at democratizing the ruling United National Independence Party (UNIP).

The report, presented to the house by a special parliamentary select committee on Tuesday, will be submitted to President Kenneth Kaunda, who will likely table it before the UNIP central committee for a decision on whether the parliamentary recommendations should be implemented.

The report proposes open presidential elections which will allow more than one person to stand for the post. Currently, President kaunda stands unopposed in presidential elections.

It also recommends that the time in office should be restricted to two five-year terms, and seeks to abolish the post of prime minister and secretary of state for defence and security, to be replaced by that of vice-president.

The report also called for cutting the UNIP central committee (policy-making organ of the party) membership from 68 to 23 members.

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#90222d6330 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 10) - Foreign Minister Inder Kumar Gujral said Friday that India was contemplating a contingency plan to evacuate more than 170,000 of its nationals from Kuwait with Iraqi cooperation.

Mr. Gujral said that New Delhi had sought Iraqi permission to evacuate the Indians in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait by road, air and sea. Initially, the Indians cold be trasported from Kuwait to Jordan by bus.

The minister said Indian Ambassador to Kuwait Arun Kumar Budhiraja, contacted Friday for the first time since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2, had reported that all 172,000 Indians there were safe.

Mr. Budhiraja also reported that essential services in Kuwait were functioning and shops were open.

India so far has not publicly taken any stand on the economic sanctions imposed by the United Nations against Iraq in the wake of the invasion of Kuwait.

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#90222d6370 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (AUG. 10) - The first batch of British fighter planes arrived in the Gulf late Thursday, an informed British source said here Friday.

A number of Tornado F-3 fighter-bombers had landed but it was not known exactly how many British planes had arrived in the Gulf so far, the source said.

The British aircraft are part of a Western military buildup of forces in the Gulf to help defend Saudi Arabia from a possible Iraqi attack following Baghdad's August 2 invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

(In Cyprus, nine British Tornado aircraft, eight Hercules transport planes and three VC-10 in-flight refuelling aircraft were poised on the tarmac of the Akrotiri British sovereign base Friday ready to leave for the Gulf.)

British Defense Secretary Tom King said Wednesday that 12 British Tornado fighter bombers would leave Cyprus for Saudi Arabia before the end of the week.

Other British forces being sent to the Gulf include three minehunters, a squadron of Jaguar attack aircraft, and batteries of Rapier strategic air defense missiles, he said.

A U.S. official, who requested anonymity, said Thursday in Washington that Britain "plans to put some of their air force in Oman, some in Saudi Arabia and perhaps some in Bahrain."

U.S. ground and air forces have been deploying in Saudi Arabia, at the request of the authorities there, to shore up the kingdom's defenses against what Washington says is a threat from Iraqi troops in neighboring Kuwait.

Warships from the United States, Britain, France, Australia, the Soviet Union are already in or on their way to the Gulf.

But U.S. efforts to enlist regional partners in an international force encountered resistance among Arab leaders, who were meeting in Cairo Friday in a last ditch effort to find a diplomatic solution to the crisis.

Iraq, meanwhile, continued to beef up its forces in Kuwait, sending in an additional 50,000 troops to reinforce the estimated 120,000 soldiers occupying the country, Pentagon officials said.

The mobilization of Western forces came just hours after the U.N. Security Council voted 15-0 to declare "null and void" Iraq's annexation of oil-rich Kuwait, which it invaded August 2.

NICOSIA (AUG. 10) - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak demanded an Iraqi military withdrawal from Kuwait at an Arab summit in Cairo on Friday as NATO nations pledged support for attempts to enforce U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

Hundreds of foreigners continued to flee the troubled Gulf region meanwhile and more Western nations announced that they planned to send warships to the Middle East.

In other developments, a senior U.S. official said a naval blockade of Iraq was under consideration, and EEC foreign ministers meeting in Brussels appealed to the Arab summit to take "concrete steps" to defuse the Gulf crisis.

Delegates from Iraq and Kuwait were present at the televised opening session of the summit, seen as a last-ditch effort by Arab leaders for a diplomatic resolution of the crisis in Gulf, where Western nations have dramatically bolstered their air and naval power following the invasion.

Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein called on Arabs and Moslems worldwide meanwhile to deliver Islam's holy sites in "occupied" Saudi Arabia. "Save Mecca and the tomb of the Prophet Mohammad (in Medina) from occupation," the Iraqi president said in an address reported Friday by the official INA news agency.

Iraq also continued to beef up its forces in Kuwait, according to Pentagon officials, sending in 50,000 troops to reinforce the estimated 120,000 soldiers occuping the tiny Gulf emirate following Iraq's August 2 invasion.

NATO secretary general Manfred Woerner said after a meeting of NATO foreign ministers in Brussels that the 16 members of the Alliance supported individual actions by its member states to implement U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

But he dismissed suggestions these individual moves could culminate in a joint NATO action, saying Saudi Arabia was outside NATO's operational zone. Mr. Woerner also said NATO supported Arab summit efforts to restore peace.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker appealed to NATO members to "contribute -- each in their own way -- to stopping further Iraqi military aggression."

In Cairo, Mr. Mubarak called for the summit to forge an Arab solution to the crisis sparked by Iraq's invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

But Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz said the priority should be a demand for the withdrawal of U.S. forces from the Gulf.

"The first step for this summit to take in order to save the credibility of the Arab solution ... is a call for the immediate withdrawal of U.S. forces from the region," he said.

Mr. Mubarak told Arab heads of state they "can only overcome the current crisis in the Gulf and envisage a solution to the situation through the departure of Iraqi troops from Kuwait."

But the Egyptian leader was quick to add that the summit had not been called "to embarrass brother Iraq."

"We must find a solution that ensures the protection of the Arab nation against the dangers threatening it ... We are not out to get anyone," Mr. Mubarak said, stressing that "recourse to the use of force among Arab countries and interference in internal affairs must be forbidden."

Arab League foreign ministers last week condemned the invasion and called for an immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait. The U.N. Security Council has endorsed mandatory sanctions against Baghdad and on Thursday voted unanimously to reject the Iraqi annexation of Kuwait.

The ousted Kuwaiti emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, who along with most of the royal family have sought refuge in Saudi Arabia, attended the opening of the summit but left Cairo just hours later. Crown Prince Saad al-Abdallah Al-Sabah took over the leadership of the Kuwaiti delegation.

As the Arab leaders were meeting, U.S. and British ground and air forces continued to arrive in Saudi Arabia to shore up the kingdom's defenses against the possibility of an Iraqi attack from neighboring Kuwait.

France decided Thursday to send the aircraft carrier Clemenceau to the Gulf region, and Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke announced on Friday that three Australian warships had been ordered to the area.

Mr. Hawke also indicated that Canada and Japan may contribute warships, and West Germany said Friday it was sending five minesweepers and a supply ship to the eastern Mediterranean.

In Brussels, Mr. Baker urged NATO foreign ministers to reaffirm the principle that "an armed attack against any member of the alliance shall be considered an attack against all the members of this alliance."

Mr. Baker urged NATO to "endorse actions which member states may take in order to enforce" the mandatory U.N. Security Council sanctions voted against Iraq.

#90222d6500 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 10) - One-third of all Britons face water restrictions from Saturday as new bans on use of garden hosepipes and sprinklers take effect to ease shortages caused by a drought gripping England and Wales, officials said Friday.

Eleven million people were already under water restrictions when Thames Water Authority announced the ban would be extended to include an additional seven million customers in southern England.

The water authority said it would call on 300 water inspectors in the London area to "keep an eye out" from their roving water authority patrol vans to ensure the ban, which covers the watering of private gardens and carwashing, was enforced.

Inspectors would be asked to "to note reports from people that the neighbours are watering the garden," according to a spokesman.

The drought has been caused by low rainfall over several months and there is now "barely enough rain to damp down the dust" in many parts of the country, according to the London Weather Centre.

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#90222d6530 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 10) - Britain is to relax rules affecting exports to Eastern Europe for the second time in a matter of months, the Department of Trade and Industry announced Friday.

The move which comes into effect Saturday will "cut onsiderably" the requirement for licences to export computers, telecommunications equipment and machine-tools, the ministry said.

Restrictions on exports to Namibia are similarly eased.

Conversely, seven substances which can be used for the manufacture of chemical weapons come in for tighter control.

The changes follow an agreement signed by members of the western Coordinating Commitee for Multilateral Export Controls (COCOM) in June.

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#90222d6610 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) - President George Bush Friday signed a measure that extends for a month his authority to tap the nation's Strategic Petroleum Reserve in the event of oil shortages following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Congress passed the measure last week before adjourning for the summer recess.

Without the extension of the Energy Policy Conservation Act, Mr. Bush's authority to pump crude oil from the strategic stockpile would expire August 15, while lawmakers are out of town.

The stockpile now has 590 million barrels, the equivalent of 50 days' worth of oil imports at current import levels.

For the past 18 months Congress and the Bush administration have been arguing over whether to increase the oil reserve to one billion barrels to counter growing U.S. dependence on foreign oil.

Mr. Bush has opposed increasing the stockpile beyond 750 million barrels.

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#90222d6620 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 10) - Petrol (gas) stations and consumers struggled to obtain information Friday on the government's new pricing policy, with a telephone hot line breaking down regularly, swamped with calls.

Representatives of the 9,000 independent traders, out of a total 27,000 petrol stations, said they had not all been able to find out about the ceiling system fixed by the economy ministry earlier this week, aimed at stabilising prices.

The 1,300 Esso stations were Friday selling for two centimes less on Friday than the lowest government-fixed price.

Petrol prices jumped in France after the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The price for Friday was to range from between 5.57 francs (1.05 dollars) and 5.71 francs (1.07 dollars) per litre in France's eight zones, according to the economy ministry.

The industry ministry said it would set up a special phone line on Monday to inform the public about the new system.

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#90222d6660 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (AUG. 10) - Australian Foreign Minister Gareth Evans said here Friday that Australia fully supported international economic sanctions against Iraq even though they were at the expense of wheat exports to Baghdad.

Condemning the "outrageous behaviour of Iraq" in invading Kuwait, the visiting Australian minister told reporters that Australia "very strongly supports United Nations sanctions against Iraq."

"Australia stands to incur a very significant economic loss as a result of the sanctions policy," Mr. Evans said, adding that Canberra exported more than 400 million Australian dollars (320 million dollars U.S.) of wheat to Iraq a year.

But he said "we believe that we have a responsibility as good international citizens" to contribute towards the enforcement of the economic embargo. Australia and Canada are Iraq's main wheat suppliers.

The U.N. Security Council Monday passed a resolution calling for economic sanctions against Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Mr. Evans also said that he did not envisage further Australian frigates or warships being sent to join the multi-national force deployed to counter Iraqi threats in the Gulf.

Prime Minister Bob Hawke announced earlier in Canberra that Australia had sent three warships to the Gulf.

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#90222d6690 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 10) - Israel has produced and distributed injections and tablets to counter the effects of a chemical attack, the ITIM news agency reported Friday.

The medicines produced by the Rafa pharmaceutical company of Jerusalem are currently being issued to security forces only, ITIM said.

The injection, made of a special substance known as "Atrophine", is to be used when a chemical attack occurs, to prevent the user from losing muscle or nerve use, correspondents said.

"The tablets, to be taken as a preventive measure, are to avoid the irreversible negative process (of an attack), but one has to be forewarned " said Shmarya Levine, the company's director.

The announcement came amid heightened tension in the Gulf in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, prompting a Western military buildup to prevent Baghdad from sending troops into Saudi Arabia.

Officials here have repeatedly warned Iraq, which has chemical weapons, against launching any attacks on Israel.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has warned that anyone attacking Israel would "unleash a big catastrophe on their countries" because Israel had the will and means to reply to any military attack.

On Thursday, Israel successfully tested an anti-ballistic missile, Voice of Israel radio reported.

It said the "Hetz" (Arrow) missile, underwritten by the United States, could "act as protection against rockets tipped with chemical weapons" but would not serve as a nuclear umbrella.

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#90222d6820 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Washington (AUG. 10) - It is costing the United States hundreds of millions of dollars to transport troops and aircraft to Saudi Arabia, and the bill could rise to three billion if the crisis lasts several months, budget experts say.

The experts told the Wall Street Journal Friday that if hostilities break out and U.S. ships or planes are damaged or require extra missiles or ammunition, the costs could rise.

The two-week U.S. invasion of Panama, a country much closer to the United States, cost the nation almost 400 million dollars.

President George Bush conferred with his budget advisers in the White House Wednesday night, but the administration has so far refrained from putting a dollar figure to the operation.

Before the Iraqi crisis, the administration had planned to make drastic cuts in the Pentagon's budget. But the White House announced Thursday that Bush plans to exempt military personnel from cuts that were due to take effect automatically this autumn.

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#90222d6880 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 10) - Explosives tore through a coach carrying passengers to the provincial town of Agdam in Azerbaijan republic Friday, killing 17 and injuring 15, the Tass news agency reported.

The coach had started out at Tbilisi, capital of the Georgian republic. The explosion occurred as the vehicle neared Agdam, not far from the Nagorno-Karabach enclave, a site of ethnic unrest.

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#90222d7040 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (AUGUST 10) - The United Nations Security Council will meet Monday to discuss the Gulf crisis, U.N. officials announced Friday.

The meeting had been scheduled for late Friday but was postponed until Monday. Officials gave no explanation for the delay.

Thursday the Security Council unanimously approved, by a 15-0 vote, a resolution declaring Iraq's annexation of Kuwait "null and void."

Following the vote, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Thomas Pickering said his government was prepared to call for another meeting of the council to discuss new measures to pressure Iraq to withdraw its forces from Kuwait.

Sources at the U.N. Friday indicated that the meeting had been called by the Security Council chairman, Aurel Dragos Munteanu of Romania.

Meanwhile, the security council's Military Staff Committee met Friday in what one diplomatic source said was a regular bimonthly meeting, not specially convened to deal with the Gulf crisis.

The Military Staff Committee consists of the chiefs of staff, or their representatives, of the five permanent members of the security council -- France, Britain, China, the United States and the Soviet Union.

Thursday the acting Soviet delegate, Valentin Lozinsky, proposed that the Military Staff Committee begin discussions on a possible U.N. intervention in the Gulf.

Iraq's decision-making Revolutionary Command Council declared Wednesday that Kuwait was an integral part of Iraq and that the union was "total and irreversible."

The Security Council Monday approved trade, military and financial sanctions against the regime of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Hours after the Iraqi invasion August 2, it condemned the invasion and demanded the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

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#90222d7160 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANTO DOMINGO (AUG. 10) - Following bombings and car burnings in the streets here, President Joaquin Balaguer warned Friday that he would use the army to maintain law and order if protests turned violent.

Nine unions called a 48-hour general strike next Monday to protest economic

policies launched this week by Mr. Balaguer that include a 200 percent increase in fuel and foodstuffs, such as flour and sugar.

"I hope the protest will be peaceful, that they will demonstrate the discontent of the masses, if they are discontent, but that there will be no Dominican blood shed, so that it would not be necessary to use the army," Mr. Balaguer said.

The 83-year-old conservative president was re-elected last May by a narrow margin over his opponent, leftist Juan Bosch. His second term will begin next Thursday.

Unions and leftist groups have protested the new economic program, which includes 30-50 percent wage hikes and freezes prices, wages and taxes for six months.

Mr. Balaguer's announcement of the economic policies sparked protests, notably a violent confrontation last Monday between university students and police that left two students dead and seven injured.

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#90222d7240 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 10) - The Arab League emergency summit in Cairo was adjourned late Friday after a four-hour debate behind closed doors, the Egyptian news agency Mena said. No information was immediately given about the next steps.

The heads of government and leading officials from 20 of the Arab League's 21 member countries had convened in the Egyptian capital to find an Arab solution to the Gulf crisis triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

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#90222d7250 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 10) - The African National Congress (ANC) called Friday for the release from detention of one of its top officials, saying the detention goes against a historic accord reached with the government.

In a statement issued here, the anti-apartheid ANC said it "protests in the most vigorous terms" the continued detention of Mac Maharaj, a member of the ANC's National Executive Committee and of the Internal Leadership Group of the South African Communist Party (SACP).

Mr. Maharaj was one of 40 ANC and SACP members arrested by police under the Internal Security Act (ISA) following police claims last month that the SACP was planning a coup under cover of preliminary talks between the ANC and the white-minority government.

Section 29 of the ISA provides for the indefinite detention of a suspect for interrogation purposes.

In the statement, the ANC said the "continued detention" of Mr. Maharaj and some 151 other ANC activists under the ISA goes against the spirit of the accord -- known as the Pretoria Minute -- reached by the ANC and the government early Tuesday.

Observers believe that the Minute, which saw the ANC suspend the 29-year guerrilla war it has waged against the government, has paved the way for South Africa to break out of its political impasse and move quickly towards a negotiated political settlement.

The ANC called for "the suspension of the application of the Internal Security Act and other repressive laws" and for the immediate release of Mr. Maharaj and the other detained activists.

"Since February 2, despite its undertakings that it is committed to the process of peaceful resolution, the South African government has continued to employ the numerous repressive laws on the statute books to disrupt our organisations and and to harass our members," the statement said.

President Frederik de Klerk unbanned the ANC and 23 other organisations on February 2 this year. In terms of the Minute, the government undertook to review the ISA, particularly sections which applied to communism.

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#90222d7300 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (AUG. 10) - Yugoslavia has suspended delivery of 200 tanks to Kuwait following the invasion and annexation of the oil-rich Gulf Emirate by Iraq, a Croatian official said Friday.

Drazn Kalogjera, the deputy prime minister of Croatia, told Belgrade Radio that the order by Kuwait was worth some 350 million dollars.

Meanwhile, the tanks were being kept at a factory near Slavonska Brod, in the north-west Yugoslavian republic.

Croatian companies engaged in trade with the Middle East stood to face heavy financial losses as a result of the conflict, Mr. Kalogjera said, one company alone with an Iraqi contract worth almost 100 million dollars.

Iraq owes Yugoslavia some 1.1 billion dollars.

There are some 10,000 Yugoslavs in Iraq and Kuwait, most of them technicians and workers engaged in road construction and other

infrastructure development projects.

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#90222d7360 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 10) - Two people were injured early Friday when unknown assailants lobbed a hand grenade into a hostel in South Africa's largest black township Soweto, police said.

The attack took place at 12.30 a.m. Friday when the grenade was hurled through the window of a room in the Mzimhlope hostel, in the Soweto suburb of Meadowlands, bordering Johannesburg.

Police said two people who were asleep in the room were injured by shrapnel.

It was the first hand grenade attack since the anti-apartheid African National Congress (ANC) and the white-minority government agreed to a historic accord early Tuesday which saw the ANC suspend its 29-year guerilla war against the government.

In the accord -- known as the Pretoria Minute -- both parties committed themselves to end violence in the country.

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#90222d7440 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 10) - The Gulf crisis provoked by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait is "taking an extremely dangerous turn," Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev said Friday in a message to leaders attending an emergency Arab summit in Cairo.

"The events in the Gulf are taking an extremely dangerous turn and an unpredictable character," the Soviet leader said said in the message addressed to Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and other Arab leaders.

Mr. Gorbachev said the Soviet position has been to "help Iraq find a way out of the situation of its own choosing and at the least cost."

The Soviet leader said the application of United Nations Security Council Resolution 660 would have allowed Iraq a "dignified" way to extricate itself from the crisis "without humiliation."

"Unfortunately, that option was not chosen," Mr. Gorbachev added.

The Soviet leader said that given the failure of the U.N. resolution to secure an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, the efforts of Arab countries "could play an important role in the resolution of the crisis."

Mr. Gorbachev said the Arab League, as an "influential regional organisation with considerable experience in resolving inter-Arab disputes " should now attempt to settle the conflict.

He said he was ready to remain "in permanent contact" with Arab nations at the summit in the hope that Arab leaders "will do all they can to resolve a crisis that is threatening the order and stability of the Gulf, relations among Arab nations and, without exaggeration, international peace and security."

KGB chief Vladimir Kriuchkov said meanwhile that an unspecified number of "Soviet experts" working in Iraq "were in the hands of the Iraqi authorities."

"We assume that they are safe," he told Soviet television on Friday.

Mr. Kriuchkov also said that the Soviet Union has successfully evacuated some of the 8,000 Soviet citizens living in Iraq.

"There are more than 8,000 Soviet citizens in Iraq. We have succeeded in evacuating some of them. No more than 700 Soviet citizens are in Kuwait," he said.

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#90222d7470 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 10) - The Arab League emergency summit in Cairo adopted a resolution late Friday calling for Arab forces to be sent to the Gulf to protect Saudi Arabia against a possible attack by Iraq, according to the Egyptian news agency Mena.

The resolution was adopted by a majority of the 20 heads of state and leading officials at the summit, said Mena after reporting that the summit had ended after a four-hour debate behind closed doors.

The summit had been called to find an Arab solution to the Gulf crisis triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The resolution apparently drafted by several countries called for Arab forces to be sent to the Gulf in response to a request from Saudi Arabia ''and others'' for support in the defence of their territories, according to the Egyptian news agency Mena.

Arab forces would bolster the military forces of the Gulf countries and would serve as a defence against outside aggression, Mena said. There was no immediate information how the resolution is to be carried out.

The resolution condemns the Iraqi ''aggression against Kuwait'' and does not recognise either Iraq's annexation of Kuwait or any other consequences resulting from the invasion, Mena said. All pertinent U.N. resolutions and Arab League statements since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait were endorsed.

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#90222d7500 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 10) - The official Kuwaiti news agency KUNA has been dissolved and all its foreign bureaus are no longer operational, the official Iraqi news agency INA reported in a dispatch received here.

INA said the measure was justified by the proclamation Wednesday of union between Kuwait and Iraq.

Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2 after the collapse of Iraqi-Kuwaiti talks on a bitter dispute between the two countries over oil production quotas and border markings.

KUNA, one of the most active Arab news agency during its heyday which boasted bureaus in most world capitals, ceased disseminating information from its Kuwait headquarters on August 2.

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#90222d7510 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) - Female soldiers have been deployed along with male troops to the Gulf as part of the U.S. Desert Shield military mission, military officials said.

Defense spokesmen said there would be no segregation by gender of the forces and that troops were being sent as units, irrespective of the gender makeup.

The U.S. Central Command said a small number of women was deployed among noncombat personnel such as aircraft crews and medical and headquarter units flown to Saudi Arabia.

But defense officials said they did not know how Saudi officials might deal with U.S. female troops in Saudi Arabia, where there are strict Moslem laws on separating the sexes.

Defense Department spokeswoman Major Kathy Wood declined for security reasons to say how many women were among 50,000 troops being mobilized, or where and in what capacity they would be serving.

Brigadier General Wilma Vaught, who is retired from the U.S. Air Force, said women had proven themselves in times of war since World War I and

that in tense moments they were as effective as men.

"I think they hold up just as well as men, or just as well as men do not. There are men who don't hold up well, just the same as there are women, who occasionally don't do as well as we might like," she said.

"It depends on the person, and it depends many times on personal problems they may have in their lives ... at the time they are deployed. Both men and women are subject to those types of problems."

There are about 84,000 women in the U.S. Army, or about 11 per cent of the active force of 750,000. All but 49 of the 368 job titles are open to women and the number keeps growing, but the Army remains steadfastly opposed to enlisting them in combat.

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#90222d7610 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 10) - Deposed Pakistani prime minister Benazir Bhutto urged the international community Friday to help prevent a return to dictatorship in Pakistan.

In an interview with French television's Antenne 2, Ms. Bhutto said: "I hope France and other countries of the world will lend their support to ensuring that Pakistan does not revert to a state of dictatorship."

Ms. Bhutto, who was sacked by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan on corruption charges on Monday, said Pakistan could only progress "through democracy."

Her comments came as France expressed hopes that Pakistan's steps toward democracy would not be "called into question" by Ms. Bhutto's dismissal.

A French Foreign Ministry spokesman here said Friday that France was closely watching developments in the country, and hoped elections planned for October would "go ahead normally."

In the television interview, Mrs. Bhutto dismissed accusations of corruption against her as "baseless," calling them "a pretext, a political prosecution."

Asked if she feared imprisonment, Ms. Bhutto said she was "prepared to face whatever consequences are necessary for freedom."

"Freedom is a cause worth sacrificing for. I fought for a democratic Pakistan. I'm not going to give up that fight," she said. "I believe development can only come to Pakistan through democracy."

Pakistan's president also dismissed Mrs. Bhutto's government and dissolved

parliament on Monday. Interim Prime Minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi said Tuesday that a probe would be launched to investigate the corruption allegations and "severe action" would be taken against the guilty.

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#90222d7650 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 10) - Soviet drug traffickers make profits of some 15 billion roubles (24 billion U.S. dollars) a year, KGB director Vladimir Kriuchkov said Friday.

Mr. Kriuchkov, in an interview with Soviet television, pointed out however that the narcotics problem was nonetheless worse in the United States, where he said drug profits "amount to 200 billion dollars a year."

Mr. Kriuchkov's comments were the first time a Soviet official had released figures on the volume of illegal drug trafficking in the Soviet Union.

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#90222d7890 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (AUG. 10) - Inflation soared a one-day record of 136.5 percent, five would-be looters were shot dead, streets were deserted and businesses closed Friday as Peru shuddered under a shock austerity plan unveiled by the government of newly-installed President Alberto Fujimori.

On the first day of the government's severe price hikes to stabilize the economy, dubbed "Black Thursday," inflation skyrocketed 136.5 percent in just one day, according to the private research center Cuanto.

Transportation was paralyzed by strikes while businesses remained closed as their owners feared looting.

Wednesday, Prime Minister Juan Hurtado Miller, who is also economy minister,

unveiled Mr. Fujimori's austerity plan, which increased the price of gasoline some 3,000 percent and sent prices on staple foods soaring to between 160 per cent and 300 percent.

But tensions boiled over in other cities, where thousands of poor families fought to obtain basic food supplies.

The drastic measures to control hyperinflation and to stabilize the worst economic crisis in Peru's history have hit the poorest sectors the hardest, union leaders said.

"What is certain is that we have been deceived by the price hikes and we

reject the burden imposed on the country," said Valentin Pacho, a former senator and secretary general of the General Confederation of Workers in Peru.

Mr. Fujimori -- who took office July 28 -- had virtually won the election on the platform that he would not impose a shock austerity plan as his conservative opponent, novelist Mario Vargas Llosa, had proposed.

Members of Mr. Fujimori's own party, Change 90, protested Thursday in front of the Government Palace against the austerity plan, shouting "Don't allow the shock!"

Police have shot dead at least five people in Lima as they attempted to break up mobs of would-be looters.

Mr. Miller indicated the austerity program was needed because of the economic shambles left by Mr. Fujimori's predecessor, Alan Garcia.

Mr. Garcia departed the presidency July 28, leaving Peru with an annual inflation rate approaching 3,000 percent.

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#90222d7920 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG 10) - President George Bush Friday arrived at his summer residence in Kennebunkport, Maine, for a 25-day vacation despite the volatile situation in the Gulf.

"What you don't want is to appear to be held hostage in the White House to events," he said on board the presidential plane Air Force one.

But, he added, this vacation "will be different" from previous ones.

The President is expected to return to Washington next Wednesday to attend briefing sessions.

Mr. Bush said his residence here was equipped with an advanced communications system allowing him to stay in touch with administration officials and world developments.

Before he departed from Washington on his 1-12-hour flight to Kennebunkport, Mr. Bush met with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and other top aides, but on his arrival here he did not make any statement.

Mr. Bush has not missed a summer vacation here since 1944.

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#90222d7930 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON, (AUG 10) - A 35-year-old black woman was named Friday as special assistant to President George Bush on European affairs for the National Security Council (NSC).

Condoleezza Rice, a professor at Stanford in California, has written numerous articles on Soviet and Eastern European military policy. She began working for the NSC in February 1989.

She has become a specialist on Soviet matters and since May has been in charge of NSC Soviet affairs.

In 1984, she received the Walter Gores award for excellence while teaching at Stanford.

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#90222d8060 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HONG KONG (AUG. 11) - An earthquake measuring 6.3 on the Richter scale was recorded late Friday in the Molucca Sea, off Indonesia, Hong Kong's Royal Observatory said.

The temblor was centered about 200 kilometers (130 miles) west-southwest of Ternate, in the Moluccas islands, the observatory said.

It struck at 11:50 p.m. (1550 GMT), the observatory said.

Earthquakes measuring over 5.0 on the open-ended Richter scale can cause heavy damage in populated areas.

No reports of damage or casualties were immediately available from the region, a far-flung part of the Indonesian archipelago.

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#90222d8150 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK, United Nations (AUG. 10) - Gambian Foreign Minister Alhaji Omar Sey met Friday with U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to tell him of West African plans to send a multinational force into Liberia "as soon as practicable."

Gambia currently presides over the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) which has established the ECOWAS Cease-fire Monitoring Group (ECOMOG) to help end the bloody civil war in Liberia.

Two of the parties in the Liberia conflict, President Samuel Doe and dissident rebel Prince Johnson, have accepted ECOMOG, but the main rebel leader, Charles Taylor, whose National Patriotic Front (NPFL) started the

war in December, has vowed to resist foreign intervention.

The ECOMOG force is the first of its kind in Africa.

Mr. de Cuellar expressed his concern at Friday's meeting with the "continuing deteriorating situation in Liberia.

A U.N. official said Mr. de Cuellar "calls on all the combattants to respect the human rights of the people and to agree to an immediate cease-fire, thereby halting the senseless slaughter that is now occurring."

The official added that the secretary general "wishes to note that a successful peacekeeping role of ECOWAS in Liberia will enable the U.N. system to resume its humanitarian assistance program in Liberia."

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#90222d8270 08/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 11) - About 6,000 Moslem fundamentalists demonstrated in the Jordanian capital Friday, burning the U.S. flag, booing Saudi Arabia and waving portraits of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The protest, organized by the Moslem Brotherhood fundamentalist group, was held as Arab leaders were gathered in a summit in Cairo in an attempt to avert an explosion of the Gulf crisis sparked by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait last week.

The crowd, gathered at the University Mosque on the northern outskirts of the capital, booed Saudi King Fahd, calling him a "spy for the United States."

An Egyptian cameraman, working for the British television company Visnews, was slightly injured when a demonstrator, recognizing him to be Egyptian, shoved his camera into his face.

Colleagues said Mohammad Fahmi, 41, returned to Cairo for medical treatment for an injured eye.

Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak on Friday demanded that Iraq withdraw its forces from Kuwait at the Arab summit in Cairo which ended with a decision to send an Arab peacekeeping force to Saudi Arabia.

Mohammed Abu Faris, a member of the Jordanian parliament and a leader of the Moslem Brotherhood, told the rally, "Those who know history see that Christian warriors are coming back to invade the Arab nation."

His speech frequently interrupted by shouts of "Allah Akbar" or "Allah is great," Mr. Faris warned that "Israel will be wiped off the map and the

Moslem nation will vanquish."

Several speakers took up the theme of Jihad or the Islamic Holy War, calling for arms and ammunition to "defend Iraq and the Arab nation."

In the past two days, several Moslem groups and religious leaders in Jordan have condemned the deployment of U.S. armed forces in Saudi Arabia, "in the holy sites of Islam."

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#90222e0011 08/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (AUG. 10) EFE - Spain's consumer price index rose 1.3 percent in July, the National Institute of Statistics reported Friday.

With this increase, the inflation rate for the first seven months of the year was put at 3.9 percent, while the rate for the last 12 months was 6.2 percent.

The Socialist government of Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez has set a target of 5.9 percent for the year.

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#90222e0016 08/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MANILA (AUG 10) EFE - Rebellious military officers put off a planned coup against the Philippine government in order to avoid a deeper national crisis after last month's devastating earthquake, a renegade Army chief said in a newspaper interview Friday.

Fugitive Army Commander Abrahan Purugganan told the daily Manila Times that rebel officers had been plotting to overthrow President Corazon Aquino's government shortly before July 16's massive quake.

However, after the earthquake hit the Philippine island of Luzon, killing some 1,600 people, the bloodless coup they had drawn up was postponed so as not to aggravate the crisis.

Rebellious factions of the Armed Forces have launched six failed coup bids against Aquino since she took office in 1986.

More than 100 people died and 700 were injured in the last attempt in December.

According to Purugganan, his coup plot involved all young officers simultaneously resigning their posts and withdrawing their support from the government.

"In the process, the whole Armed Forces command structure will be isolated. The government will fall after realizing that it can't count on the Army," Purugganan, the suspected leader of the clandestine Union of Young Officers rebel group, explained to the paper.

He added that leaders of different rebel Army factions supported the project, including fugitive Col. Gregorio "Gringo" Honasan, the head of a clandestine reformist group which staged the December uprising.

Purugganan was also suspected of taking part in this uprising.

Almost 100 officers involved in plotting former coups remain at large. Authorities have offered a dlrs 45,000 reward for Purugganan's capture.

Military barracks in Manila were put on alert last weekend when rumors of another coup attempt began circulating.

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#90222e0028 08/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (AUG 10) EFE - Four bomb blasts ripped through different parts of the Argentine capital early Friday, causing extensive damage to property but no injuries, police said.

One of the explosions took place in a shop on the outskirts of Buenos Aires belonging to the son of a deputy who is a member of the ruling peronist Party.

Two more bomb blasts hit another two businesses also in commercial districts on the outskirts of the Argentine capital, while the fourth happened in an empty apartment building in the center of the city.

Police said there were no clues as to the identity of the bombers but a number of small ultra-left groups have claimed responsibility for a sporadic campaign of bombings targeted at banks and businesses over the last six months in Buenos Aires.

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#90222e0038 08/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WETZLAR, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 10) - Two West German bomb explosive experts were killed Friday by a World War II bomb they were trying to defuse, an official spokesman said.

Another three of the experts were seriously injured when the U.S. bomb, found by children playing in the area, exploded in Wetzlar, 50 km north of Frankfurt.

Police had cordoned off the area and suspended traffic from a nearby motorway and trains on an adjacent railway line before the experts moved in to defuse the bomb.

Since the end of World War II, some 100 people have died in similar incidents although such explosions are becoming less frequent, the spokesman said.

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#90222e0040 08/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

TIJUANA, MEXICO (AUG 10) EFE - Mexican customs officials and border police extort dlrs 1 billion a year from would-be immigrants trying to sneak into the United States, according to a report published Friday by a private university.

The report, released by the Colegio de la Frontera Norte, claims that Mexican authorities are fully aware of what is going on, but do nothing to control it.

According to the study, which is based on the border town of Tijuana, every day some 4,000 Mexicans and Central Americans cross into the United States through Tijuana.

The "polleros," the name given to those who smuggle Mexicans into the United States, will charge dlrs 150 to make the 30 km crossing from Tijuana to U.S. port city San Diego.

To travel further north to Los Angeles will cost dlrs 350, while to reach Chicago in the northeastern United States will cost 700.

Half the polleros' fee goes to corrupt customs officials and police.

Interviews with polleros revealed that Mexican police operate in the border region in plainclothes, and that those smuggling people across the border who do not pay up are beaten or taken to prison.

Each year some 600,000 illegal immigrants are caught and sent back to Mexico or further south to Central America.

In the last year alone nine people have been killed in the Tijuana area trying to cross into the United States.

Commander Ted Swoford of the U.S. Border Patrol charges that if Mexican authorities were to cooperate then the violence along the frontier could be checked in a month.

However, the Mexicans say that most of the border violence is attributable

to racists on the U.S. side.

Human rights organizations on both sides of the border have documented 318 cases of violence and rights abuses against immigrants by the U.S Border Patrol over the last 30 days.

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#90222e0041 08/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (AUG 10) EFE - Seventeen people were killed and 15 injured Friday in a suspected bomb attack on a bus in the troubled Soviet republic of Azerbaijan, the Azerinform news agency reported.

The bus exploded en route from the Georgian capital of Tiflis to Agdam in the enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh, one day after renewed fighting began between Azeris and neighboring Armenians over the disputed territory.

Armenia has demanded Nagorno-Karabakh be incorporated into its republic, given that 85 percent of the people living there are Armenian.

No details were given about the nationality of the victims.

The latest outbreak of violence in the two-year-old conflict, which has claimed more than 200 lives, comes just a day after Armenian President Levon Ter-Petrosian won a three-month extension to Moscow's decree calling for illegal armed groups to hand over their arms.

President Mikhail Gorbachev had originally given Armenia and other republics where armed groups threatened Moscow's authority until Thursday night to disband and hand over their weapons, backed by a threat that he would send in Army troops.

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#90222f0723 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Pete Incavilgia took some extra batting practice to work on his hitting. Imagine if his teammates had done the same.

''I took some extra batting practice today,'' Incaviglia said after Texas rushed Cleveland 13-5 Thursday night.

''I was trying to work on some things. I went out and looked for my strength instead of the pitcher's strength. I've been pulling off the ball a lot. That's not my strength. My strength is hitting the ball to straightaway center, right center.''

The extra work paid off as the right-hander smacked a two-run home run 385 feet, a double and drove in four runs.

His teammates strength wasn't in hitting the ball in any direction against three hapless pitchers, but simply in hitting the ball. Texas collected 21 hits, scored nine times in one inning and had to settle for just 13 runs despite leaving 17 men on base. Eleven different Rangers had hits and 10 different players scored.

Ruben Sierra went four for five and Jeff Kunkel drove in three runs. Rafael Palmeiro extended his hitting streak to 15 games with a single in the sixth.

Leading 3-0 in the sixth, Texas scored nine runs to break open the game. Every Ranger starter scored in the inning in which Texas collected nine consecutive base hits to come within one of tying the major league record of 10 straight hits, last accomplished by Detroit in 1983 against Baltimore. Fifteen Rangers went to the plate in the inning as Texas tied a team record with the nine hits and nine runs in one inning. Eleven straight batters reached base safely in the inning.

''I've never been involved in anything like that,'' said Texas manager Bobby Valentine, who had pitcher Kevin Brown hit in the ninth inning. ''I don't see many nine-run innings. I don't see many nine-run games.''

Raphael Palmiero who extended his hitting streak to fifteen games with a single in the inning, said he couldn't wait to get up to bat.

''You just want to get up to the plate and hit,'' Palmeiro said of sitting on the bench during the big inning. ''The guy's throwing pitches that everybody's hitting, so you want to get up and get your turn.''

Texas batters certainly had enough chances to hit, with 46 batters going up to the plate in the first six innings and finishing with a total of 57 for the game.

''It got out of hand,'' Cleveland Manager John McNamara said. ''There wasn't anything we could do about it. Really, there's not a lot to say about that game. All that counts is who won.''

Bobby Witt, 11-8, won his eighth consecutive decision by giving up three runs, two earned, and five hits in seven innings with two walks and 10 strikeouts.

Bud Black, 10-7, gave up six runs on 10 hits in 5 1-3 innings with five walks, one intentional, and six strikeouts.

Incaviglia's 18th homer of the year in the second gave the Rangers a 2-0 lead, and they went ahead 3-0 on Kunkel's RBI double in the fourth. Incaviglia is now eight for 18 (.444) against Black in his career with

four home runs, and Sierra is 14 for 21 (.666) against Black.

''Every good pitch I make, he crushes,'' Black said of Sierra.

Elsewhere in the American League: Oakland downed Baltimore 5-2, Detroit edged Toronto 5-4, Kansas City topped Chicago 5-3, New York blanked Seattle 1-0 and Boston blasted California 14-3.

In the NL, it was: New York 5, Philadelphia 4; St. Louis 3, Chicago 1; Montreal 7, Pittsburgh 6, 10 innings; Los Angeles 10, Cincinnati 3 and San Diego 7, Atlanta 0.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Athletics 5, Orioles 2

At Oakland, Calif., Dave Henderson hit a two-run homer and added an RBI double to back Mike Moore's six-hit pitching. Moore, 10-10, went 5 2-3 innings for his second win in five starts. Dennis Eckersley, worked the ninth for his major-league leading 37th save. Dave Johnson fell to 11-7.

Tigers 5, Blue Jays 4

At Toronto, Larry Sheets hit a three-run home run to help Jeff Robinson's six-hit pitching over seven innings and rally Detroit. Robinson, evened his record to 9-9. Jerry Don Gleaton worked two innings one-hit relief, to gain his sixth save. Todd Stottlemyre, fell to 10-13.

Royals 5, White Sox 3

At Kansas City, George Brett doubled, singled twice and drove in three runs and rookie Brian McRae knocked-out two doubles to lift Kansas City. Kevin Appier, 7-4, gained his fifth win in his last six decisions. Steve Farr earned his 1st save and Adam Peterson, 2-4, took the loss.

Yankees 1, Mariners 0

At Seattle, Tim Leary allowed two hits over 8 1-3 innings and Bob Gerren delivered an RBI single to help New York to a three-game sweep of Seattle and fifth straight win. Leary, 6-14, walked four and struck out eight. Lee Guetterman picked up his first save. Matt Young, 5-12, absorbed the loss.

Red Sox 14, Angels 3

At Anaheim, Calif., Ellis Burks and Mike Greenwell each drove in three runs to help Roger Clemens capture his sixteenth win and lift Boston. Clemens, 16-5, shutout the Angels on five singles through six innings before they scored in the seventh. Jim Abbot fell to 7-10.

-30- 5308
#90222h0094 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (AUGUST 10) XINHUA - AIR CHINA WILL OPEN A REGULAR AIR ROUTE FROM BEIJING TO NINGBO, A PORT CITY IN ZHEJIANG PROVINCE, AUGUST 14.

BOEING 707S AND 737S AND OTHER TYPES OF PASSENGER PLANES WILL BE USED ON THE ROUTE AND TWO RETURN FLIGHTS WILL BE MADE EACH WEEK.

NINGBO IS WELL KNOWN FOR ITS HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGES AND IS THE ANCESTRAL HOME OF MANY OVERSEAS CHINESE.

THE NEWLY BUILT NINGBO AIRPORT WENT INTO OPERATION JUNE 30.

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#90222h0096 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
ISLAMABAD (AUG. 10) XINHUA - THE WORLD BANK IS PROVIDING PAKISTAN WITH 130 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS LOAN FOR ITS EXPANSION PROJECT OF DISTRIBUTION OF NATURAL GAS, ISLAMABAD-BASED WORLD BANK OFFICE SOURCE SAID HERE FRIDAY.

THE PROJECT WILL INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A GAS-PURIFICATION PLANT AT SUI, SOUTHWEST PAKISTAN, AND THE CAPACITY OF THE COUNTRY'S NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION NETWORK WILL BE EXPANDED BY ABOUT 300 MILLION CUBIC FEET PER DAY TO SERVE AN INCREASING NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL CONSUMERS IN THE NORTHERN AND CENTRAL PARTS OF PAKISTAN, THE SOURCE SAID.

THE PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE SALES OF NATURAL GAS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND REDUCE THE NEED FOR IMPORTED FUELS, THE SOURCE ADDED.

MEANWHILE, OFFICIAL SOURCES SAID THE UNITED STATES HAS GRANTED 86.1 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS TO PAKISTAN TO HELP UNDERTAKE BALUCHISTAN ROAD PROJECT IN THE COUNTRY.

THIS WILL BE THE LARGEST EVER ROAD PROJECT UNDERTAKEN BY THE U.S. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (USAID) ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD, THEY SAID. THE PROJECT INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF 376 KILOMETERS OF ROAD LINKING THE MAKRAN DIVISION IN THE BALUCHISTAN PROVINCE TO THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY NETWORK.

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#90222h0109 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
GUANGZHOU (AUG. 10) XINHUA - THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PUMPING ENERGY-STORAGE STATION IS WELL UNDER WAY IN A MOUNTAINOUS AREA NEAR SOUTH CHINA'S GUANGZHOU CITY.

THIS IS THE FIRST ENERGY-STORAGE PUMPING STATION TO BE BUILT IN CHINA. AT PRESENT, HALF OF THE TUNNELS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND RESERVOIRS ON HIGH AND LOW GROUND ARE BEING CONSTRUCTED.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE STATION, WHICH BEGAN IN 1988, IS AIMED AT GUARANTEEING THE SAFE OPERATION OF THE NEARBY DAYA BAY NUCLEAR POWER STATION.

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#90222h0116 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 10) (XINHUA) -- INDIA'S MOST MODERN MEDIUM-RANGE MULTI-TARGET SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILE "AKASH" (SKY) WILL BE TEST FIRED THIS MONTH, THE PRESS TRUST OF INDIA REPORTED TODAY.

DR V.S. ARUNACHALAM, SCIENTIFIC ADVISER TO THE DEFENSE MINISTRY, SAID HERE TODAY THAT "AKASH," THE FOURTH INDIAN-MADE MISSILE AFTER "PRITHVE," "TRISHUL" AND "AGNI," WILL BE TESTED LATER THIS MONTH.

HE TOLD NEWSMEN THAT "PRITHVE," THE SURFACE-TO-SURFACE MISSILE, AND "TRISHUL," THE MULTI-ROLE QUICK-REACTION SHORT-RANGE SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILE, ARE ALREADY IN PRODUCTION AND WILL BE INDUCTED INTO SERVICE BY EARLY 1992.

DR ARUNACHALAM SAID "TRISHUL" HAS ALSO UNDERGONE SUCCESSFUL TRIALS AS AN ANTI-SKIMMING ROLE FOR THE NAVY. THE SCIENTIFIC ADVISER ACKNOWLEDGED THE SLIGHT DELAY IN THE PRESTIGIOUS LIGHT COMBAT AIRCRAFT AND MAIN BATTLE TANK PROJECT, BUT SAID BOTH STATE OF THE ART PRODUCTS WILL BE READY BEFORE 1995.

HE ANNOUNCED THAT FULL-SCALE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT OF THE LIGHT COMBAT AIRCRAFT HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE BOARD OF THE PROJECT.

THE AIRCRAFT WHEN ROLLED OUT WILL BE ONE OF THE MOST MODERN OF ITS KIND IN THE WORLD, HE SAID, "IT WOULD HAVE A UNIQUE DESIGN, FRAME BUILT UP OF COMPOSITE MATERIAL AND ALSO HAVE THE FLY BY WIRE TECHNOLOGY.

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#90222h0117 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (AUG. 10) XINHUA - CHINA'S BIGGEST AIRLINE TERMINAL FOOD-PROCESSING CENTER HAS BEEN BUILT IN SHANGHAI AND WAS PUT INTO OPERATION THIS MONTH.

THE CENTER CAN PROVIDE 16,000 SERVINGS EVERY DAY FOR THE AIRLINES OF SINGAPORE, JAPAN, CANADA, FRANCE AND CHINA WHICH USE THE SHANGHAI AIRPORT.

THE CENTER, JOINTLY BUILT BY CHINA EASTERN AIRLINES AND THE HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI FOOD CO., COST 27 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

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#90222h0121 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
CHENGDU (AUG. 10) XINHUA - A SILK FESTIVAL, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN CHINA, WILL OPEN AUGUST 25 IN NANCHONG, A CITY IN SOUTHWEST CHINA'S SICHUAN PROVINCE.

NANCHONG, WITH OVER 1,000 YEARS OF HISTORY OF SILK PRODUCTION, IS ONE OF CHINA'S 15 MAIN SILK BASES, AND ITS PRODUCTS SELL WELL IN EUROPE AND AMERICA.

EXHIBITIONS OF PRODUCTS, LANTERNS AND FILMS, AS WELL AS THE LATEST FASHIONS, WILL BE ON SHOW DURING THE FESTIVAL.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT MORE THAN 5,000 VISITORS FROM CHINA AND ABROAD WILL ATTEND THE FESTIVAL.

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#90222h0126 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
COLOMBO (AUG. 10) XINHUA - THE SRI LANKAN GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO LIFT THE MORATORIUM ON THE BUILDING OF NEW TOURIST HOTELS AND EXPANDING THE EXISTING ONES, IT WAS ANNOUNCED HERE THURSDAY.

THE DECISION WAS MADE ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF TOURISM AND RURAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT MINISTER S. THONDAMAN.

THONDAMAN HAS TOLD THE GOVERNMENT THAT TOURIST ARRIVALS ARE STEADILY ON THE RISE AND ARE EXPECTED TO TREBLE IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

THIS REQUIRES ADDITIONAL ROOMS AND BUILDING ACTIVITIES HAVE TO START NOW, HE SAID.

TOURIST ARRIVALS FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 1990 NEARLY DOUBLED THOSE IN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR -- AN INCREASE OF 61,000 IN COMPARISON TO 78,030.

THE TOURIST INDUSTRY IS ONE OF THE ISLAND COUNTRY'S MAJOR FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNERS.

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#90222h0127 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BANGKOK (AUG.10) XINHUA - THAILAND RECORDED A BALANCE OF PAYMENT SURPLUS OF 59.7 BILLION BAHT (2.4 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO A REPORT OF THE THAI FINANCE MINISTRY.

THE FIGURE REPRESENTED AN INCREASE OF 3.1 BILLION BAHT (124 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FROM THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

AS OF JUNE 30, THE OUTSTANDING FEDERAL RESERVES STOOD AT 328 BILLION BAHT (13.12 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS), AN AMOUNT EQUIVALENT TO THE WORTH OF ABOUT FIVE MONTHS' IMPORTS.

THE REMARKABLE FIGURES WERE RECORDED DESPITE THE COUNTRY'S TRADE DEFICIT OF 99.2 BILLION BAHT (3.97 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) DURING THE PERIOD.

IMPORTS ROSE 24.2 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR TO 387.5 BILLION BAHT (15.5 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS). THE BREAKDOWN SHOWS A GROWTH OF 33.2 PERCENT FOR CONSUMER GOODS IMPORTS, WHICH TOTALLED 34.9 BILLION BAHT (1.4 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

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#90222h0134 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KATHMANDU (AUG. 10) XINHUA - NEPALESE INDUSTRIALISTS HAVE THREATENED TO LOCK OUT THEIR INDUSTRIES IF THE PRESENT LABOR UNREST AND UNTOWARD ACTIVITIES REMAIN UNCHECKED.

THIS WAS DISCLOSED THURSDAY AT A PRESS MEETING BY THE EMPLOYERS' COUNCIL, THE LOCAL ENGLISH PAPER "THE RISING NEPAL" REPORTED TODAY.

OWING TO THE CONTINUING LABOR UNREST AND DISTURBANCES IN THE COUNTRY, THE OUTPUT OF THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR HAS DETERIORATED BY ABOUT 40 PERCENT OVER THE PAST THREE MONTHS, THE COUNCIL SAID.

THE NEPALESE INDUSTRIES, WHICH HAD ALREADY BEEN IN A DIFFICULT POSITION OWING TO SHORTAGE OF RAW MATERIALS AND FUELS AND MORE THAN FIFTEEN MONTHS' TRADE AND TRANSIT DEADLOCK BETWEEN NEPAL AND INDIA, ARE NOW BEING HARD HIT BY THE PRESENT INDUSTRIAL UNREST, ACCORDING TO THE COUNCIL.

THIS UNREST HAS BEEN GRADUALLY SPREADING TOWARDS OTHER SECTORS LIKE HOTELS AND TRANSPORT, AND HAS NEARLY PARALYZED THE KINGDOM'S ECONOMY.

"DESPITE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GOVERNMENT DECISION RELATING TO THE SALARIES AND ALLOWANCE OF THE WORKERS, THE INDUSTRIAL PEACE AND SMOOTH OPERATION ARE NOW BEING CHALLENGED BY SOME LABORERS WHO ARE WORKING AT THE BEHEST OF SOME OUTSIDE TROUBLE MAKERS," THE COUNCIL CHAIRMAN PADMA JYOTI WAS QUOTED AS SAYING.

HE COMPLAINED THAT "AFTER THE COUNCIL HAD RESOLVED SOME OF THE DEMANDS RELATING TO FINANCIAL PROBLEMS, THE LABOURERS ARE COMING UP WITH NEW DEMANDS."

IT WAS REPORTED THAT NEPALESE PRIME MINISTER K.P. BHATTARAI AND MINISTER OF LABOR AND SOCIAL WELFARE N. ACHARYA ARE MAKING EFFORTS TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS THROUGH DIFFERENT CHANNELS AND MEANS.

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#90222h0141 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
GABORONE (AUGUST 10) XINHUA -- AT LEAST 33 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN KILLED IN THE VIOLENCE TRIGGERED BY RENT RISE IN PORT CITY OF ELIZABETH, SOUTH AFRICA, ACCORDING TO A REPORT FROM PORT ELIZABETH TODAY.

POLICE SPOKESMAN MAJOR BILL DENNIS SAID LAST NIGHT THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE BEEN KILLED IN POLICE ACTION AND RETALIATION BY SHOPKEEPERS PROTECTING THEIR PROPERTY DURING RIOTING.

EYE-WITNESSES SAID VIRTUALLY EVERY SHOP IN THE AREA HAS EITHER BEEN LOOTED OR DAMAGED AND MORE DEATHS ARE EXPECTED AS RIOTING AND LOOTING CONTINUES.

THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC) HAS JOINED POLICE IN APPEALING FOR PEACE.

A SENIOR ANC AND SOUTH AFRICAN COMMUNIST PARTY (SACP) LEADER IN THE AREA, MR. GOVAN MBEKI, SAID THAT ANC MEMBERS ARE ATTEMPTING TO GET THE SITUATION UNDER CONTROL "WITH THE COOPERATION OF THE POLICE".

MR. MBEKI STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF POLICE WITHHOLDING THEIR FIRE AND EXERCISING RESTRAINT.

"ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT PEOPLE WERE BEGINNING TO LISTEN TO THE ANC, BUT WITH THE POLICE SHOOTING, IT WAS DIFFICULT TO CONTROL THEM, IF ONLY THE POLICE WOULD HOLD THEIR FIRE," HE SAID.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, MR. MBEKI TOLD OVER 7,000 PEOPLE AT A PUBLIC MEETING THAT THE CAUSE OF THE RIOTING IS STINKING APARTHEID.

MR. MBEKI AND OTHER ANC AND ANC-ALLIED YOUTH ORGANISATION LEADERS APPEALED FOR CALM, DISCIPLINE AND A HAULT TO THE LOOTING.

POLICE MAJOR DENNIS SAID BY EARLY YESTERDAY 32 SHOPS, SIX HOUSES, TWO FACTORIES, A CHURCH AND THREE SCHOOLS HAD BEEN LOOTED AND GUTTED IN THE VIOLENT PROTEST AGAINST THE RENT HIKE WHICH ERUPTED ON MONDAY.

HE CLAIMED THAT POLICE VEHICLES TRYING TO RESTORE ORDER IN THE AREA HAVE BEEN STONED OR PETROL-BOMBED. AT LEAST 41 VEHICLES HAVE BEEN DAMAGED, AND SEVEN TOTALLY DESTROYED. 90 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ARRESTED ON CHARGES OF ARSON, PLUNDERING OR LOOTING AND PUBLIC VIOLENCE.

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#90222h0143 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LUANDA (AUGUST 10) XINHUA - "THE CONDITIONS OF HOLDING THE 3RD ROUND OF

PEACE TALKS BETWEEN THE ANGOLAN GOVERNMENT AND UNITA REBELS HAVE NOW BEEN MET," SAID PORTUGUESE PREMIER ANIBAL CAVACO SILVA.

MR. SILVA MADE THE REMARKS ON THURSDAY AFTER MEETING WITH ANGOLAN PRESIDENT JOSE EDUARDO DOS SANTOS, THE "JORNAL DE ANGOLA" REPORTED TODAY.

HE SAID THE MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT ENABLED HIM TO SEE THE FLEXIBILITY ON THE PART OF THE ANGOLAN GOVERNMENT.

PORTUGAL IS ABOUT TO MAKE A NEW CONTACT WITH THE REBEL NATIONAL UNION FOR THE TOTAL INDEPENDENCE OF ANGOLA (UNITA) IN ORDER TO BRING THE STANDS OF THE TWO PARTIES CLOSER.

THE PREMIER ANNOUNCED THAT THE 3RD ROUND OF PEACE TALKS WOULD BE HELD IN PORTUGAL IN THE SECOND HALF OF AUGUST. "I HOPE 1990 IS INDEED A YEAR WHEN THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE CELEBRATE THEIR PEACE," HE NOTED.

HE SAID THAT "UNITA HAS A WISH FOR SIGNING A CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT." BUT HE QUICKLY ADDED THAT THIS DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THERE ARE NO OBSTACLES IN THE PEACE COURCE OF ANGOLA.

HE STRESSED THAT "ALL PARTIES CONCERNED MUST KEEP IT IN MIND THAT NO ONE WILL BE LIKELY TO SCORE ANY POINTS IN MAKING A DEADLOCK."

LUANDA AND UNITA HAVE HELD TWO DIRECT TALKS IN PORTUGAL. THE 3RD ROUND OF TALKS, SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE IN THE FIRST HALF OF JULY, WERE POSTPONED FOR SEVERAL TIMES.

THE ANGOLAN GOVERNMENT HAS CALLED FOR, AS THE FIRST STEP, ARRIVING AT AN UNDERSTANDING OF CEASEFIRE. BUT UNITA HAS DEMANDED THAT THE GOVERNMENT FIRST RECOGNIZE UNITA AS A LEGAL OPPOSITION PARTY.

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#90222h0160 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

OTTAWA (AUG. 10) XINHUA - THE CANADIAN FORCES WILL NOT MOVE INTO TWO TROUBLED AREAS IN QUEBEC PROVINCE BEFORE TOMORROW, BECAUSE NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE ON HOW MANY SOLDIERS WILL BE SENT OR WHEN THEY WILL BE DEPLOYED, MILITARY SOURCES HERE SAY.

ABOUT 5,000 CANADIAN SOLDIERS ARE ON ALERT, READY TO REPLACE SOME 1,500 "EXHAUSTED" POLICE OFFICERS WHO HAVE BEEN IN TENSE STANDOFFS WITH NATIVES FROM TWO INDIAN RESERVES NEAR MONTREAL.

THE STANDOFFS BEGAN ON JULY 11 WHEN POLICE MOVED IN THE KANESATAKE RESERVE 30 KILOMETERS WEST OF MONTREAL, TO FORCIBLY DISMANTLE A ROADBLOCK SET UP BY INDIANS OPPOSED TO EXPANSION OF A GOLF COURSE ONTO THE LAND THEY CLAIM TO BE THEIR OWN. A FIERCE GUNFIGHT ERUPTED, LEAVING ONE POLICE OFFICER

DEAD.

THE SAME DAY, THE INDIANS FROM THE KAHNAWAKE RESERVE JUST SOUTH OF MONTREAL ERECTED A SYMPATHY BLOCKAGE AT THE NEARBY "MERCIER BRIDGE," WHICH IS ONE OF THE MAIN ARTERIES LINKING MONTREAL WITH THE SOUTH SHORE OF THE ST. LAWRENCE RIVER.

THE ACTION HAS ANGERED LOCAL RESIDENTS WHO USE THE BRIDGE AND THEY HAVE BEEN CALLING FOR THE MILITARY TO RAID THE BARRICADES.

ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT CANADIAN PRIME MINISTER BRIAN MULRONEY ANNOUNCED THAT THE ARMY WAS MOVING IN TO REPLACE THE POLICE, "WHO AFTER A MONTH OR SO ARE PRESUMABLY FATIGUED, AND EVENTUALLY TO WORK WITH AND SUBSTITUTE FOR THOSE FORCES."

HOWEVER, LIEUTENANT-GENERAL KENT FOSTER, COMMANDER OF THE CANADIAN MOBILE COMMAND, TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE THURSDAY THERE WILL BE NO TROOP MOVEMENT UNLESS MEDIATION EFFORTS FAIL.

HE SAID THE AMRY WILL NOT BE CALLED IN WITHOUT A REQUEST FROM CHIEF JUSTICE ALAN GOLD OF THE QUEBEC SUPERIOR COURT, WHO HAS BEEN NAMED AS A MEDIATOR IN THE DISPUTE.

THE ROLE OF GOLD WILL BE SIMPLY TO GET THE TWO PARTIES BACK TO THE NEGOTIATING TABLE. THE TWO SIDES HAVE BEEN QUIBBLING FOR ALMOST TWO WEEKS OVER THE WORDING OF AN AGREEMENT SETTING OUT THE PRE-CONDITIONS TO RESUME TALKS.

THE INDIANS HAVE DEMANDED FREE ACCESS TO FOOD AND MEDICINE, EASY ACCESS FOR THEIR SPIRITUAL AND LEGAL ADVISERS AND A TEAM OF INTERNATIONAL OBSERVERS TO OVERSEE THE ACTIONS OF POLICE, WHO ONCE REFUSED ANY ENTERY OF FOOD AND MEDICINE INTO THE KANESATAKE RESERVE FROM OUTSIDE.

BOTH SIDES, WHO HAVE NOT MET FACE-TO-FACE SINCE JULY 15, CONCEDE THAT ONCE THEY SIT DOWN TOGETHER AGAIN, AN AGREEMENT ON TEARING DOWN THE BARRICADES COULD BE REACHED QUICKLY.

"IF NEGOTIATIONS ARRIVE AT A POINT WHERE OUR PRESENCE WILL FACILITATE NEGOTIATIONS, WE WILL BE THERE," SAID LIEUTENANT-GENERAL FOSTER.

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#90222h0164 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

COLOMBO (AUG. 10) XINHUA - THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT SUPPORTS THE SOVEREIGNTY AND INTEGRITY OF SRI LANKA, VISITING AUSTRALIAN MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE GARETH EVANS SAID HERE TODAY.

SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE THIS EVENING, THE MINISTER, WHO

ARRIVED HERE LAST NIGHT FOR A TWO-DAY VISIT, SAID THAT HE CALLED ON SRI LANKAN PRESIDENT RANASINGHE PREMADASA THIS MORNING AND THAT THEY DISCUSSED BILATERAL ISSUES, TRADE AND ECONOMIC MATTERS AS WELL AS INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENTS.

EVANS SAID THAT HIS GOVERNMENT CALLED ON THE SRI LANKAN GOVERNMENT TO RESUME PEACE TALKS WITH THE LIBERATION TIGERS OF TAMIL EELAM (LTTE), THE DOMINANT TAMIL MILITANT GROUP IN THE COUNTRY, TO SOLVE THE ETHNIC PROBLEM.

THE AUSTRALIAN MINISTER SAID THAT HIS GOVERNMENT STRONGLY SUPPORTED UNITED NATIONS SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ WHICH INVADED AND OCCUPIED KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

THE AUSTRALIAN MINISTER'S VISIT HERE IS PART OF HIS TOUR OF THE SOUTH ASIA REGION, INCLUDING INDIA, PAKISTAN AND BANGLADESH.

HE WILL LEAVE HERE FOR HOME SATURDAY.

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#90222h0165 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KATHMANDU (AUG. 10) XINHUA - THE 19TH CONTINGENT OF THE NEPALESE PEACE-KEEPING FORCE IS TO LEAVE FOR THE DISPUTED AREA BETWEEN ISRAEL AND LEBANON AT THE CALL OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL.

IN A MESSAGE TODAY TO THE CONTINGENT, KING BIRENDRA SAID THAT IT IS A MATTER OF GREAT PRIDE FOR EVERY NEPALESE THAT NEPAL HAS BEEN ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TASK OF MAINTAINING WORLD PEACE.

IN HIS ADDRESS, PRIME MINISTER AND DEFENSE MINISTER KRISHNA PRASAD BHATTARAI EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS OF THE BATTALION WILL UPHOLD THE GLORIOUS HISTORY AND TRADITION OF THE ROYAL NEPALESE ARMY THROUGH DISCIPLINE AND DUTY.

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#90222h0170 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANAGUA (AUG. 10) XINHUA - BORDEN, A CHEMICAL MANUFACTURER, HAS BECOME THE FIRST OF NICARAGUA'S STATE-RUN COMPANIES TO BE RETURNED INTO PRIVATE HANDS AFTER SEVEN YEARS OF MANAGEMENT BY THE PEOPLE'S INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION (COIP).

THE MOVE WAS ANNOUNCED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE THURSDAY BY ERWIN KRUGER, THE PRESIDENT OF THE NEWLY-CREATED NICARAGUAN PUBLIC SECTOR CORPORATION.

BORDEN, WHOSE SHAREHOLDERS INCLUDE FOREIGNERS AND THREE NICARAGUANS, WAS TAKEN OVER BY THE SANDINISTA GOVERNMENT IN 1983 AND TURNED OVER TO THE COIP, A STATE ORGANIZATION, THE SAME YEAR.

KRUGEN SAID THE COMPANY'S RETURN TO PRIVATE OWNERSHIP WAS A RESULT OF A DECISION HANDED DOWN BY THE FIRST JUDGE OF MANAGUA'S CIVIL DISTRICT COURT IN FAVOR OF THE SHAREHOLDERS.

DUILIO BALTODANO, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND PRESIDENT OF THE NEW NATIONAL COMMISSION CHARGED WITH REVIEWING GOVERNMENT SEIZURES OF PROPERTY, ANNOUNCED DURING A SEPERATE PRESS CONFERENCE THAT THE COMMSSION OFFICIALLY BEGAN REVIEWING CASES THURSDAY.

ACCORDING TO A LAW ENACTED BY THE NEW NICARAGUAN GOVERNMENT, THE COMMISSION "SEEKS TO REPAIR THE INJUSTICES AND ARBITRARY ACTS COMMITTED BY THE PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT."

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#90222h0171 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LIMA (AUG. 10) XINHUA - THE PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT PLACED AN ACROSS-THE-BOARD FREEZE ON THE HIRING OF ANY NEW PERSONNEL BY GOVERNMENT-RUN INSTITUTIONS, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL DECREE ISSUED THURSDAY.

THE GOVERNMENT ALSO BANNED ANY NEW EXPENDITURES ON SUCH THINGS AS CLOTHING OFFICIAL CELEBRATIONS AND RECEPTIONS AND THE RENTING OF FURNITURE.

IN ADDITION, THE GOVERNMENT PLACED A FREEZE ON WAGES, LIMITED SPENDING ON PRINTING, SUBSCRIPTIONS, FUEL, FARES AND MONEY AVAILABLE FOR PETTY CASH.

THE DECREE ALSO CLOSES DOWN THE INSTITUTE OF FOREIGN TRADE AND TRANSFERS ITS ACTIVITIES TO THE OFFICE OF THE PREMIER.

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS HAS BEEN ORDERED TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF EMBASSIES, CONSULATES AND STAFF IT MAINTAINS ABROAD, AND TO FIRST AUTHORIZE ANY TRIPS ABROAD THROUGH THE CABINET COUNCIL.

GOVERNMENT SOURCES SAID THE AUSTERITY MEASURES AIM TO DRASTICALY REDUCE PUBLIC SPENDING AND REVERSE THE COUNTRY'S INFLATIONARY TREND, WHICH IS CURRENTLY CLOSE TO 3,000 PERCENT.

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#90222h0174 08/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ADDIS ABABA (AUG. 10) XINHUA - ABOUT 7,000 HECTARES OF FORMERLY COLLECTIVELY-OWNED COFFEE LAND HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO INDIVIDUAL COFFEE PRODUCERS IN THE COFFEE-PRODUCING REGION OF ILLUBABOR IN WESTERN ETHIOPIA IN AN EFFORT TO BOOST COFFEE PRODUC- TION.

THE ETHIOPIAN NEWS AGENCY TODAY QUOTED THE REGION'S CHIEF AD- MINISTRATOR

DADI HUNDE AS SAYING THAT THE DECISION TO DISTRIBUTE THE LAND WAS MADE ON THE BASIS OF A STUDY WHICH SHOWS THE YIELDS FROM THE PLANTATIONS WERE LOW DUE TO THE LACK OF PROPER CARE UNDER COLLECTIVE OWNERSHIP.

HE SAID THAT THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUCH LAND WILL CONTINUE. THIS IS THE FIRST OFFICIAL REPORT THAT COLLECTIVELY-OWNED LAND HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO PRIVATE PRODUCERS SINCE THE COUNTRY SHIFTED ITS ECONOMIC POLICY OF CENTRAL PLANNING TO A MIXED ECONOMY.

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Primetime Live (ABC) August 9, 1990 (Transcript #153)

''One Who Confronts'' (further excepts from Diane Sawyer's recent interview with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein); ''Toby's Journey'' (Brother Toby McCarroll's mission to care for AIDS babies in America and Romania); ''Sale of the Century'' (an 1872 law still on the books allows the purchase of Federal land for $2.50 an acre for commercial mining); ''Letter to Mandela'' (a white South African expatriate's video letter to Nelson Mandela about their mutual homeland); Also: U.S. military locations in Saudi Arabia; a rundown of Iraq's chemical weapons and the U.S. military's defenses against them; how celebrity convicts actually serve community service sentences.

48 Hours (CBS) August 9, 1990 (Transcript #120)

Over Their Heads (R-#96): A report on credit card debt and bankruptcy in America today, the outcome of bad habits or bad luck for millions of people.

Nightline (ABC) August 9, 1990 (Transcript #2404)

From Cairo, Egypt: Arab Leaders' Summit: Middle East experts Tahseen Basheer and Kamel Abu Jaber give their perspectives on the invasion of Kuwait, the U.S. decision to send troops to Saudi Arabia and how far Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will go.

Larry King Live (CNN) August 9, 1990 (Transcript #104)

Escape from Kuwait / Chemical Weapons / Claims Father Killed JFK: Steve Betts tells his story of escaping by car across the desert to Saudi Arabia. David Silverstein of the Heritage Foundation and John Isaacs of the Council for a Liveable World discuss the role of chemical weapons in warfare throughout history. They concentrate on whether or not poison gases should be considered in the current crisis in the Mideast East, as Saddam Hussein has employed them in the past and may resort to them again. Ricky White claims his father was one of the three assassins that the CIA directed to eliminate President Kennedy, whom they considered a national security risk. He bases his claims on his deceased father's diary and his own investigations.

Crossfire (CNN) August 9, 1990 (Transcript #114)

Are We On Our Own Against Iraq?: A discussion allied support for the U.S. in the Persian Gulf and the fate of Americans in Iraq and Kuwait with West German Economic Minister to the U.S. Hagen Count Lambsdorff, Kan Ito of the Japan Forum on International Relations, and former National Security Adviser Richard Allen.

Moneyline (CNN) August 9, 1990 (Transcript #158)

How to pay for the expensive military operation of sending U.S. troops to the Persian Gulf; sanctions prohibit most food exports to Iraq and rice futures are falling dramatically; ten billion dollars of 30-year Treasury bonds were auctioned, with good results; William Donaldson discusses his election as Chairman and CEO of the New York Stock Exchange; Frank Lorenzo Chairman of Continental Airlines, is selling most of his stake in the carrier to Scandinavian Air System; Dan Dorfman discusses a United Telecommunications takeover rumor.

Donahue August 9, 1990 (Transcript #3008)

What Gets on TV? (R-#2658): Detroit housewife Terry Rakol and other guests discuss how to deal with television programming that they find offensive. Methods of protest are discussed, from simply turning off the TV to lobbying advertisers to pull commercials from a program.

Oprah Winfrey August 9, 1990 (Transcript #1019)

Gay Adoption: Two openly gay adoptive fathers discuss raising sexually healthy children in a society that rejects homosexuals as parents. Other guests support or condemn gay adoptions, either from a personal or moral viewpoint. (Transcript #1019)

Geraldo August 9, 1990 (Transcript #756)

Cheaper By the Dozen: Parents of large families discuss what it's like to raise 11 or more children, and some of their children express their feelings about being a member of such a large family. Psychologist Kevin Leman (The Birth Order) talks about the different aspects of large families and its impression in today's society.

Sally Jessy Raphael August 9, 1990 (Transcript #504)

Wedding Day Disasters: Guests tell how their wedding days turned into disastrous occasions, sharing stories of collapsing reception halls, bridegroom muggings, and being left at the altar. (Transcript #504) Good Morning America (ABC) August 9, 1990 (Transcript #1884)

State of Arab unity; communism in decline; threat of chemical weapons; Joel's videos of the month; Julia Roberts interview, Part 1; British role in Iraq crisis; nondiscriminatory casting; Julia Child's pear pudding; summer houseplant surgery; soap opera anniversary.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) August 9, 1990 (Transcript #144)

Persian Gulf Crisis: A discussion of the current Middle East situation with Dr. M.T. Mehdi (American-Arab Relations Committee), Dr. George Gruen (Columbia University) and Dr. Lawrence Korb (Brookings Institution).

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#90222k0021 08/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 10) KYODO - JAPAN HAD A 5,382 MILLION DOLLAR TRADE SURPLUS ON A CUSTOMS CLEARANCE BASIS IN JULY, DOWN 10.2 PERCENT FROM A 5,995 MILLION DOLLAR SURPLUS A YEAR BEFORE, THE FINANCE MINISTRY ANNOUNCED FRIDAY.

EXPORTS TOTALED 23,888 MILLION DOLLARS, UP 1.8 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER AND IMPORTS 18,507 MILLION DOLLARS, UP 6.0 PERCENT.

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#90222k0063 08/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
MANILA (AUG. 10) KYODO - PHILIPPINE DEBT NEGOTIATORS HAVE URGED JAPAN TO HASTEN THE RELEASE OF MANILA'S SHARE OF 358 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FROM THE 2 BILLION-DOLLAR ASEAN-JAPAN DEVELOPMENT FUND TO PROVIDE MONEY NEEDED TO REBUILD AREAS DEVASTATED BY LAST MONTH'S EARTHQUAKE, OFFICIALS SAID FRIDAY.

PHILIPPINE FINANCE SECRETARY JESUS ESTANISLAO AND THE CENTRAL BANK GOVERNOR, JOSE CUISIA, REQUESTED JAPANESE OFFICIALS DURING THEIR TOKYO TRIP LAST WEEK, TO ALSO ENSURE THAT COMMITTED LOANS AND GRANTS ARE DISBURSED SPEEDILY, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

ON JULY 27, FINANCE OFFICIALS SAID THE PHILIPPINES WOULD ASK JAPAN FOR THE EARLY DISBURSEMENT OF THE 18TH YEN LOAN PACKAGE, UP FOR DISCUSSION NEXT YEAR, TO AUGMENT FINANCING FOR THE REHABILITATION OF SEVERAL NORTHERN PHILIPPINE REGIONS.

THE JULY 16 QUAKE KILLED AT LEAST 1,700 PEOPLE AND INJURED MORE THAN 3,000. IN ADDITION, ABOUT 1.5 MILLION FILIPINOS LOST EITHER THEIR JOBS OR THEIR HOMES.

OFFICIALS SAID THE PHILIPPINE DEBT PANEL WAS PUTTING ITS RELIANCE ON THE GOODWILL OF THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT TO DISBURSE THE DEVELOPMENT FUND MONEY. THE PHILIPPINES STARTED NEGOTIATING FOR THE FUNDS IN 1987.

TOKYO'S RESPONSE HAS BEEN DELAYED AS IT IS STUDYING MANILA'S PROPOSALS ON TERMS AND CONDITIONS FROM MANILA, PARTICULARLY THE INTEREST RATE, SOURCES SAID.

JAPAN IS THE LARGEST AID DONOR AND CREDITOR OF THE PHILIPPINES, WHICH IS ONE OF SIX MEMBERS OF ASEAN, THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS.

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#90222k0064 08/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 10) KYODO - JAPAN'S EXPORTS ON A CONTRACT BASIS IN JULY ROSE 5.1 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 22.59 BILLION DOLLARS.

IT WAS THE FIRST SUCH EXPANSION IN EXPORTS SINCE SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR, THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) REPORTED FRIDAY.

A MITI OFFICIAL ATTRIBUTED THE INCREASE IN EXPORTS TO THE YEN'S DECLINE AGAINST THE U.S. DOLLAR.

IMPORTS ROSE 8.1 PERCENT FROM THE YEAR-EARLIER LEVEL TO 16.54 BILLION DOLLARS, COMPARED WITH A PALTRY 2.7 PERCENT INCREASE IN JUNE, THE MINISTRY SAID.

THE TRADE FIGURES ARE BASED ON REPORTS TO MITI FROM THE COUNTRY'S MAJOR TRADING HOUSES.

EXPORTS OF AUTOMOBILES, SHIPS AND COMPUTERS REMAINED ON THE RISE, WHILE EXPORTS OF STEEL AND SEMICONDUCTORS WERE SLUGGISH.

ON THE IMPORT SIDE, JAPAN IMPORTED MORE AUTOMOBILES, SHRIMPS, LARGE AIRPLANES, AND PAINTINGS, THE OFFICIAL SAID.

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#90222k0065 08/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 10) KYODO - THE POST AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY ANNOUNCED FRIDAY IT WILL TEMPORARILY STOP ACCEPTING MAIL TO IRAQ AND LIBERIA STARTING SATURDAY.

THE MINISTRY SAID THE STOPPAGE IS DUE TO THE CLOSURE OF IRAQI AIR AND SEA PORTS FOLLOWING INTERNATIONAL TENSION RESULTING FROM THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT. MAIL TO KUWAIT HAS BEEN STOPPED SINCE LAST SATURDAY.

MOUNTING INTERNAL STRIFE IN LIBERIA HAS ALSO DISRUPTED MAIL SERVICES IN THE COUNTRY.

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#90222k0067 08/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 10) KYODO - JAPAN WILL NOT COMPLY WITH IRAQ'S ORDER TO PULL ITS DIPLOMATS OUT OF KUWAIT AND MOVE THEM TO BAGHDAD, CHIEF GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN MISOJI SAKAMOTO SAID FRIDAY.

''JAPAN'S POSITION IS THAT THE ANNEXATION (OF KUWAIT) IS A VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND IS INTOLERABLE,'' SAKAMOTO SAID.

IRAQ ON THURSDAY GAVE ALL FOREIGN EMBASSIES IN KUWAIT TWO WEEKS TO CLOSE DOWN AND MOVE TO THE IRAQI CAPITAL.

THE ORDER CAME AFTER IRAQ ANNOUNCED IT WAS ANNEXING ITS TINY OIL-RICH NEIGHBOR, A WEEK AFTER LAUNCHING A MILITARY INVASION.

ASKED ABOUT POSSIBLE REPERCUSSIONS AGAINST JAPANESE NATIONALS IF JAPAN FAILS TO MEET THE DEMAND, SAKAMOTO RESPONDED THAT JAPAN IS THINKING OF ''VARIOUS OPTIONS.'' HE DID NOT ELABORATE.

ON THURSDAY, THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY ASKED JAPAN AIRLINES TO DISPATCH A JUMBO JET TO KUWAIT TO BRING HOME 276 JAPANESE NATIONALS. KUWAIT'S AIRPORT IS CLOSED.

A FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCE SAID IT IS POSSIBLE THAT JAPANESE EMBASSY PERSONNEL MAY DEPART KUWAIT ONCE ALL JAPANESE CITIZENS HAVE BEEN EVACUATED.

''IF THE EMBASSY STAFF REMAIN THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT IRAQ COULD USE VIOLENCE, SO WE HAVE TO THINK OF THAT ASPECT,'' THE SOURCE SAID.

HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT WOULD WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT IT IS NOT

CONCEDING TO THE IRAQI DEMANDS.

THERE ARE 372 JAPANESE IN IRAQ.

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#90222k0077 08/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 10) KYODO - SHOWA SHELL SEKIYU K.K. SAID FRIDAY IT WILL RAISE GASOLINE PRICES BY NEARLY 10 PERCENT AS EARLY AS NEXT MONTH TO COVER HIGHER COSTS DUE TO RISING CRUDE OIL PRICES, A MOVE EXPECTED TO BE FOLLOWED BY OTHER OIL COMPANIES.

THE AFFILIATE OF ROYAL DUTCH SHELL SAID THAT, INCLUDING A RISE OF 4 TO 5 YEN PER LITER WHICH WAS ALREADY PLANNED, THE TOTAL INCREASE IN THE PRICE OF GASOLINE WILL BE AROUND 10 YEN PER LITER.

MOTORISTS AT PRESENT PAY 120 YEN PER LITER. UNCERTAINTIES OVER THE TURMOIL IN THE PERSIAN GULF FOLLOWING IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT LAST WEEK AND THE U.N. TRADE EMBARGO ON THE TWO NATIONS HAVE SENT OIL PRICES SHARPLY HIGHER AROUND THE WORLD. THE SPOT BENCHMARK DUBAI OIL TOPPED 26 DOLLARS PER BARREL IN TOKYO EARLY THIS WEEK, THOUGH SLIDING DOWN TO THE 21 DOLLAR LEVEL ON FRIDAY, COOLED BY REPORTS THAT OTHER OIL NATIONS WILL RAISE PRODUCTION TO MEET THE SHORTFALL.

HIROSHI OTAKA, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF SHOWA SHELL, SAID, ''WE NEED TO RAISE PRICES BY 5 TO 6 YEN PER LITER TO EASE BURDENS FROM RISING OIL PRICES.''

A 1 DOLLAR RISE IN THE PRICE OF A BARREL OF CRUDE OIL IS CALCULATED TO PUSH UP COSTS OF GASOLINE DISTRIBUTORS BY 1 YEN PER LITER.

INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID THE MOVE MAY TRIGGER A WAVE OF PRICE HIKES BY COMPETITORS, THOUGH SOME OF THEM ARE STILL RELUCTANT TO DO SO FOR FEAR THAT SUCH AN ACTION WOULD PROVOKE CRITICISM THAT THEY ARE CASHING IN ON HIGHER OIL PRICES.

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#90222k0079 08/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 10) KYODO - JAPANESE BANKS WILL NOT MAKE NEW LOANS TO VENEZUELA BECAUSE THEY ARE DISSATISFIED WITH THE PROGRESS OF ITS ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING, INTERNATIONAL BANKING SOURCES SAID FRIDAY.

INSTEAD, THE BANKS WILL CHOOSE OTHER OPTIONS IN A FIVE-POINT DEBT RELIEF PLAN ADVANCED BY U.S. TREASURY SECRETARY NICHOLAS BRADY, INCLUDING A 30-PERCENT REDUCTION IN THE PRINCIPAL THE SOURCES SAID.

THE DECISION IS BASED ON A PERCEPTION THAT THE VENEZUELAN ECONOMY HAS SHOWN LITTLE IMPROVEMENT DESPITE HIGHER OIL PRICES, THEY SAID.

VENEZUELA'S MEDIUM- TO LONG-TERM FOREIGN DEBTS TOTAL ABOUT 20 BILLION DOLLARS, 20 PERCENT OF WHICH IS OWED TO 30 JAPANESE BANKS.

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#90222k0080 08/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 10) KYODO - AN INTER-MINISTERIAL LIAISON COUNCIL OF OFFICIALS FROM 15 MINISTRIES AND AGENCIES FRIDAY DISCUSSED HOW TO ENCOURAGE JAPANESE WOMEN TO HAVE MORE CHILDREN BY REMOVING ''OBSTACLES'' TO BIRTH AND CHILDREARING.

THE COUNCIL, HOLDING ITS INAUGURAL MEETING FRIDAY, SAID IT IS CONSIDERING REVAMPING THE SYSTEM OF MATERNITY LEAVE FOR JAPANESE WOMEN, IMPROVEMENTS IN HOUSING POLICIES, REDUCTIONS IN HOUSE WORK, AND BETTER CHILDCARE SERVICES.

THE OFFICIALS HOPE TO ISSUE A REPORT ON THEIR STUDIES BY THE YEAR-END. THE BUREAU CHIEF-LEVEL OFFICIALS MAKING UP THE LIAISON COUNCIL ARE RESPONDING TO AN APPEAL BY PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU TO ''INCREASE THE DESIRE IN YOUNG JAPANESE TO HAVE CHILDREN.''

A REPORT OF 1989 POPULATION STATISTICS, RELEASED EARLIER, REVEALED THAT JAPANESE WOMEN RECORDED THE LOWEST LIFETIME BIRTHRATE EVER WITH AN AVERAGE 1.57 CHILDREN.

EXPLAINING THEIR REASONS FOR FOREGOING CHILDBIRTH, JAPANESE WOMEN COMPLAINED ABOUT THE HIGH COST OF RAISING AND EDUCATING CHILDREN AND JAPAN'S PROBLEMATIC HOUSING CONDITIONS.

OTHER WOMEN REMARKED THAT HAVING CHILDREN SHOULD NOT BE A REASON TO BE FORCED TO QUIT WORK, GIVING RISE TO THE NUMBER OF ''MARRIED WOMEN WHO DO NOT WANT TO GIVE BIRTH.''

KAIFU HAS CALLED CHILDREN ''THE TREASURES OF THE WORLD'' AND SUGGESTED JAPANESE WOMEN MUST HAVE CHILDREN ''FOR THE FUTURE OF JAPAN.''

HE HAS ALSO URGED THAT HIGHER BIRTHRATES BE ENCOURAGED BY CREATING AN ''EFFECTIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR RAISING CHILDREN.''

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#90222k0083 08/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

BANGKOK (AUG. 10) KYODO - DIPLOMATS FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN) ARE DEBATING ON A COMMON POLICY ON THE IRAQI GOVERNMENT'S CALL TO WITHDRAW THEIR EMBASSIES FROM KUWAIT, A THAI FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCE SAID FRIDAY.

THE SOURCE SAID SENIOR ASEAN OFFICIALS DISCUSSED THE IRAQI DEMAND EARLIER IN THE DAY AND WOULD SOON DECIDE ON A COMMON STANCE TO MEET THE TWO-WEEK DEADLINE GIVEN BY THE IRAQI GOVERNMENT.

THE IRAQI GOVERNMENT ISSUED A LETTER TO ALL EMBASSIES IN BAGHDAD CALLING ON THEM TO WITHDRAW THEIR EMBASSIES FROM KUWAIT BEFORE AUGUST 24. IRAQ ANNEXED KUWAIT ON WEDNESDAY, A WEEK AFTER IT LAUNCHED A LIGHTNING INVASION ON THE TINY OIL-RICH NEIGHBOR.

SOME ASEAN DIPLOMATS, THE SOURCE SAID, ARGUE THAT CONCEDING TO THE IRAQI DEMAND WOULD SIGNIFY RECOGNIZING ITS ANNEXATION OF KUWAIT.

THE SOURCE SAID IF ASEAN DECIDES TO ABIDE BY THE IRAQI REQUEST, THAILAND IS LIKELY TO GO ALONG AND SEND ITS KUWAITI EMBASSY STAFF TO BAGHDAD TO TAKE CARE OF ABOUT 6,000-7,000 THAI WORKERS IN KUWAIT.

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#90222k0087 08/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 10) KYODO - MIZUNO CORP., A LEADING MAKER OF SPORTING GOODS, SAID FRIDAY IT PLANS TO START A GOLF COURSE MANAGEMENT AND CONSULTING BUSINESS ON OCTOBER 1 IN A FIVE-YEAR COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH CLUB CORPORATION OF JAPAN (CCJ).

CCJ IS THE JAPANESE SUBSIDIARY OF CLUB CORPORATION OF AMERICA (CCA), KNOWN AS THE WORLD'S LARGEST GOLF COURSE MANAGING COMPANY.

MIZUNO OFFICIALS SAID THE NEW COMPANY WILL AIM TO OPEN OR IMPROVE 12 TO 13 GOLF COURSES BY THE END OF ITS THIRD YEAR OF OPERATIONS, AND HOPES TO CHALK UP SALES OF 3 TO 5 BILLION YEN IN THE FIRST FIVE YEARS.

CCA MANAGES 200 GOLF AND RESORT CLUBS ACROSS THE WORLD, REGISTERING SALES OF ABOUT 90 BILLION YEN A YEAR.

ITS JAPANESE SUBSIDIARY, FOUNDED IN 1984, GIVES TECHNICAL HELP TO THE FUJI COUNTRY CLUB IN GIFU PREFECTURE, CENTRAL JAPAN. IT ALSO MANAGES CENTURY CLUB IN OSAKA.

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#90222k0089 08/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

YOKOSUKA, KANAGAWA PREF (AUG. 10) KYODO - THREE WARSHIPS FROM THE U.S. 7TH FLEET, INCLUDING THE FLAGSHIP BLUE RIDGE, WILL MAKE A PORT CALL AT THE SOVIET FAR EAST NAVAL PORT OF VLADIVOSTOK SEPTEMBER 10-14, THE U.S. NAVY SAID HERE FRIDAY.

THE PORT CALL AIMS AT ENCOURAGING GOODWILL BETWEEN THE SOVIET AND U.S. NAVIES.

THREE SOVIET WARSHIPS MADE A PORT CALL AT SAN DIEGO IN JULY.

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#90222k0095 08/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 10) KYODO - TYPHOON-DRIVEN RAINS FRIDAY SPARED THE TOKYO METROPOLITAN AREA FROM A POTENTIALLY CRIPPLING WATER SHORTAGE BUT RESULTED IN 14 INJURIES AND CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE AND TRANSPORTATION DISRUPTIONS THROUGHOUT EASTERN JAPAN.

TYPHOON NO. 11, A MEDIUM-SIZED STORM THAT LANDED AT OMAEZAKI POINT, SHIZUOKA PREFECTURE 200 KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF TOKYO EARLY FRIDAY MORNING ROARED THROUGH EASTERN JAPAN AND ENTERED THE NORTHEASTERN PREFECTURES AROUND 5 P.M., WEAKENING RAPIDLY AS IT ADVANCED ALONG THE PACIFIC OCEAN COAST.

THE METEOROLOGICAL AGENCY FORECAST THAT THE TYPHOON, WHICH HAD LOST SOME OF ITS CONSIDERABLE FORCE OF WINDS OF 90 KILOMETERS PER HOUR, WOULD EDGE TOWARD EASTERN HOKKAIDO AND INTO THE NORTHERN PACIFIC BY SATURDAY.

SEVEN RESERVOIRS IN THE MOUNTAINS NORTH OF TOKYO, SERVING THE METROPOLITAN AREA, ROSE TO 34 PERCENT OF CAPACITY DUE TO THE TYPHOON'S RAIN, AND THE 10 PERCENT CUT ON WATER SUPPLIES TO HOUSEHOLDS IN THE CAPITAL WAS DISCONTINUED.

THE MINISTRY OF CONSTRUCTION'S KANTO (EAST JAPAN) REGIONAL CONSTRUCTION BUREAU, HOWEVER, POINTING TO FORECASTS FOR SUNNY WEATHER AFTER THE TYPHOON INDICATED THAT WATER RESTRICTIONS MAY BE RESTORED LATER.

THE NATIONAL POLICE AGENCY REPORTED FRIDAY THAT 14 PEOPLE HAD BEEN INJURED IN TYPHOON-RELATED INCIDENTS IN VARIOUS PLACES IN EASTERN JAPAN AND THAT 627 HOMES HAD SUFFERED FLOOD DAMAGE CAUSED BY TYPHOON RAINS.

SOME 43 LANDSLIDES WERE CAUSED BY THE HEAVY RAINS AND ROADS WERE WASHED OUT IN 19 PLACES.

JAPANESE TRAVELERS, LEAVING EARLY FOR THEIR HOMETOWNS FOR THE BON MIDSUMMER HOLIDAYS, WERE THWARTED BY THE TYPHOON.

THE EAST JAPAN AND CENTRAL JAPAN RAILWAYS REPORTED THAT CLOSE TO HALF A MILLION TRAVELERS WERE AFFECTED BY 73 SUSPENDED RUNS OF THE SHINKANSEN BULLET TRAINS AND ANOTHER 536 DELAYED BY THE TYPHOON.

BULLET TRAIN RUNS OUT OF UENO STATION IN TOKYO HEADING NORTH WERE HALTED FOR NEARLY FOUR HOURS FRIDAY, RESULTING IN RUSH HOUR-LIKE CONGESTION ON THE PLATFORMS, WHILE SHINKANSEN RUNS OUT OF TOKYO STATION FOR KYOTO AND OSAKA WERE REPORTEDLY RUNNING AT THREE TIMES THEIR CAPACITY.

EAST JAPAN RAILWAYS ALSO REPORTED THAT SOME 267 SPECIAL EXPRESS TRAIN RUNS WERE SUSPENDED AND ANOTHER 213 WERE UP TO 90 MINUTES BEHIND SCHEDULE, AFFECTING 120,000 COMMUTERS.

CONFUSION WAS COMPOUNDED WHEN POWER LINES IN SHIZUOKA PREFECTURE WERE DAMAGED BY HIGH WINDS FROM THE TYPHOON EARLY FRIDAY MORNING, FORCING A HALT TO ALL RAILWAY SERVICES CONNECTING TOKYO AND OSAKA.

HANEDA AIRPORT SAID 62 FLIGHTS WERE CANCELED BECAUSE OF THE TYPHOON CONDITIONS AND ANOTHER 300 FLIGHTS DELAYED -- SOME UP TO FIVE HOURS -- AFFECTING SOME 80,000 TRAVELERS.

JAPAN AIR SYSTEM SAID IT WOULD ARRANGE SPECIAL EARLY MORNING FLIGHTS FOR ITS CUSTOMERS WHOSE FLIGHTS WERE CANCELED FRIDAY, BUT FEARED THAT ITS SERVICE TO HOKKAIDO MIGHT NOT BE BACK TO NORMAL BY THEN BECAUSE OF THE TYPHOON.

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TOKYO (AUG. 10) KYODO - CHINA PLANS TO CONSTRUCT A 2,364-KILOMETER RAILWAY LINE BETWEEN BEIJING AND HONG KONG AND KOWLOON IN PREPARATION FOR THE RETURN OF THE BRITISH CROWN COLONY, SET FOR 1997, THE CHINA DAILY REPORTED FRIDAY.

THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS ESTIMATES THE TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST OF THE PROJECT AT 15.6 BILLION YUAN, OF WHICH 20 TO 25 PERCENT WILL BE BORNE BY THE PROVINCES AND MUNICIPALITIES ALONG THE PROJECTED RAILWAY.

THE RAILWAY WILL BE BUILT BETWEEN THE PRESENT BEIJING-SHANGHAI AND BEIJING-GUANGZHOU LINES, LINKING 10 PROVINCES AND MUNICIPALITIES.

THE AIM IS TO STEP UP ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE AREAS ALONG THE PROJECTED ROUTE.

RELATIVELY SLOW PROGRESS IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COVERING RAILWAYS, ROADS, AND CIVIL AVIATION HAS BEEN CITED AS ONE OF THE BARRIERS TO THE MODERNIZATION OF CHINA.

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TOKYO, AUG. 10 KYODO - MARUBENI CORP. AND SANKO GOSEI LTD., A TOYAMA-BASED PLASTICS MAKER, SAID FRIDAY THEY HAVE JOINTLY ACQUIRED BIRKBYS PLASTICS LTD., A MAJOR BRITISH PLASTICS FIRM.

THE MARUBENI GROUP HAS ACQUIRED A 90 PERCENT INTEREST IN BIRKBYS PLASTICS,

AND SANKO THE REMAINING 10 PERCENT STAKE.

MARUBENI REFUSED TO REVEAL THE PURCHASE PRICE, BUT INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID IT IS BELIEVED TO BE SEVERAL TIMES THE BRITISH FIRM'S NET WORTH OF 3.3 BILLION YEN.

BIRKBYS USED TO BE A DIVISION OF THE BRITISH DEFENSE AND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT MAKER PLESSEY PLC UP TO LAST YEAR-END. GENERAL ELECTRIC CO., PLC AND WEST GERMANY'S SIEMENS A.G. JOINTLY TOOK OVER THE ENTIRE PLESSEY PLC GROUP, AND BIRKBYS WAS PUT UP FOR SALE.

MARUBENI SAID BIRKBYS IS THE NO. 4 OR NO. 5 PLASTICS MAKER IN BRITAIN, AND THAT IT HOLDS THE PREMIER POSITION IN TERMS OF TECHNOLOGICAL CAPABILITIES.

MARUBENI AND SANKO JOINTLY SET UP A PLASTICS PRODUCTION COMPANY IN BRITAIN IN 1987. THE TWO FIRMS SAID THEY HAVE TAKEN OVER BIRKBYS TO BUILD UP THEIR JOINT FIRM.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 10) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The LABOR DEPARTMENT reports this morning that producer prices fell 0.1% in July.

The Nikkei fell 286.18, posting a net loss for the week of almost 2200 points, setting a new closing low for the year at 27,329 ... Near midday, the FT 100 was down 5.9, and the DAX index had slipped 6.39.

PROCTER & GAMBLE reports a 66% gain in earnings for the company's fourth-quarter. The stock rose 3/4 on the news yesterday. ... Several major retailers report modest July revenue gains. SEARS sales rose 3.1% on a same-store basis from July 1989. K MART was up 2.2%, WAL-MART 8%, WOOLWORTH 4.9%, J.C. PENNEY 2%, GAP 28% and LIMITED 8%. ... WILLIAM DONALDSON, founder of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE has been elected chairman of the NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE as expected. ... Operating losses at savings and loans controlled by the government shrank from $1.6 billion in the fourth-quarter of 1989 to $1.35 billion in the first quarter of this year.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

IRAQ PRESIDENT SUDDAM HUSSEIN makes a televised speech this morning at 11

a.m., Eastern Standard Time. ... SALOMON INC., says it will scale down the commodities-trading operation of its PHILIPP BROTHERS unit. ... FORD is extending its buyer incentives. ... CHRYSLER is postponing work on a new luxury car and will focus instead on developing new midsized models.

FROM THE BULLS:

"We're prepared for upside surprises while the world waits for the other shoe to drop," DON WOLANCHUK tells his clients. He looks for another rally to 3000 followed by a retesting of the August lows. Then, says Wolanchuk, "the stage should be set for the most powerful thrust to the upside ever witnessed on the New York Stock Exchange." (CNBC "World Business", 8/10)

The bull market is still in force and the primary trend is still up, says ANTHONY LUDIVICI, market analyst for TUCKER ANTHONY. "In bull markets, when the market goes through a secondary decline, it's a buying opportunity." Ludivici says the lower volume on up days reflects continuing investor concerns. "However, remember that bull markets do climb a wall of worry. If we don't have uncertainty and a wall of worry, then you do want to be careful." (CNBC "World Business", 8/10)

"One of the better things I saw once [the correction stemming from the Persian Gulf crisis] took place, is [the market] hit very good areas of support," says ROBERT RITTER of LADENBURG, THALMANN. He says the market's bounce off 2680 was very positive. Ritter thinks the bull market will continue once the crisis is resolved. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/9)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The market has broken down technically," says LARRY WACHTEL of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. "Any rally is a dead-cat bounce." He sees the Dow falling at least to 2700. STAN WEINSTEIN of "Professional Tape Reader" says there could be an 80- to 100-point bounce in the Dow over the next week "but I'd [sell] short on strength." He says the market "looks horrid" technically and looks for a Dow down to 2400- 2500 in the next three to six months. ("USA Today", 8/10)

"The rally is not sustainable," says JOSEPH DeMARCO of MARINVEST. He thinks a weak economy will re-emerge as the central focus once the Mideast crisis is resolved. "This isn't the time to be a hero," says MARTIN SASS of M.D. SASS INVESTORS SERVICES. Sass jumped back in quickly after the 1987 crash, but this time he is much gloomier about the economic outlook. (WSJ, 8/10)

STOCK MARKET:

"The situation remains fragile," says DREYFUS CORP's MONTE GORDON on the Dow's tentative rise yesterday. "This is the calm in the eye of a storm, but that doesn't mean the storm is gone. I can't feel comfortable yet." The lack of dramatic new developments in the Middle East during the day kept the market calm. "We're in a dust settling phase," says RALPH ACAMPORA, director of technical research at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. "I think we've seen the worst for the near- term. We've had unbelievably emotional trading (Reuters, 8/9)

The urgent sellers are now out of the way, says MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER. "But there's no great desire to buy now, particularly in the face of a weekend that could incorporate some blow-up of hostilities in the Middle East." Metz says potential buyers are waiting on the sidelines until the situation is resolved or cools down. (CNN "Business Morning", 8/10)

"The bond results are what turned the [stock] market around," says PETER VANDENBERG of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROS. But he notes a lot of continued nervousness over the Mideast situation and says "nobody's making a big commitment to stocks until things there are resolved." ("USA Today", 8/10)

"The worst is over," says EUGENE PERONI JR. of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT regarding a jittery market due to events in the Middle East. Peroni feels the market has hit bottom and that bargain hunting is lucrative at this juncture. (CNBC "Business View", 8/9)

"There's been a general lull in stocks," says EDWARD COLLINS of DAIWA SECURITIES. ("The Washington Post", 8/10)

STOCK TIPS:

"CONTINENTAL has been on a steadily improving track and I expect that to continue," says PAUL KAROS of FIRST BOSTON. The airline stock rose 1 3/4 yesterday to 6 1/4 on news that FRANK LORENZO is stepping down as chairman. "What they need is credible people," says MORGAN STANLEY airline analyst KEVIN MURPHY. "Lorenzo has been boxed into a corner. He was not a credible representative for that enterprise anymore." ("USA Today", 8/10)

WALT DISNEY, a stock under siege on fears that its theme parks will suffer from high gasoline prices and a sagging economy, is featured in the "Heard on the Street" column this morning in "The Wall Street Journal." FIRST BOSTON's JESSICA REIF has downgraded her "buy" recommendation to a hold. "The economy is weak and Disney has no new major attractions planned domestically for several years," she says. But RICHARD SIMON of GOLDMAN SACHS is reinstating his "buy" recommendation on grounds "the current price has more than adjusted

for the risks in light of a very favorable long-term environment." (WSJ, 8/10)

ROBERT RITTER of LADENBURG, THALMANN says he is "very, very interested" in energy stocks. "Over the next few years, with the outlook for an improvement in the world economy, the energy stocks especially the drillers and service stocks ... will do quite well." He thinks investors should look to buy these stocks on weakness, as well as drug and communications stocks, specifically the Baby Bells. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/9)

Analyst MONROE GREENSTEIN says there are some good buys among department store stocks but "you can't predict when something's going to come back to life." He cautions that such investments are for investors who plan to stay in a stock for a year or so. His picks: MAY, DAYTON HUDSON, DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES and NORDSTROM. Analyst CAROLE CRANMER of COUNTY NATWEST USA likes DILLARD. ("USA Today", 8/10)

Are there still buying opportunities in energy stocks? "Absolutely," says the bullish ANTHONY LUDIVICI, market analyst for TUCKER ANTHONY. He still likes the oils but is especially bullish on natural gas, which he says is undervalued in relation to oil. "We've seen the low point in the price of natural gas." His energy favorites are AMOCO, with the largest North American reserves, ARCO and MESA. Ludivici also likes electrical products manufacturers like WESTINGHOUSE and GE. (CNBC "World Business", 8/10)

Another analyst who likes natural gas is PHILIP DODGE of the NOMURA RESEARCH INSTITUTE. CHEVRON is the largest natural gas producer in the United States. AMOCO is the largest holder of gas in the country. Dodge also likes COASTAL, a producer and shipper of natural gas. (CNN "Business Morning", 8/10)

EUGENE PERONI JR. of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT likes energy, technology and pharmaceutical sectors among over-the-counter stocks. On the big board, he particularly likes PROCTER & GAMBLE, PHILIP MORRIS and BOEING. (CNBC "Business View", 8/9)

"The wave structure can best be counted as having completed a decline," says market analyst DON WOLANCHUK who believes another rally to 3000 is underway. The newsletter author recommends buying KODAK, GM and McDONALDS. (CNBC "World Business", 8/10)

Believing the United States is on the brink of a recession, IRWIN YAMAMOTO of the "Yamamoto Forecast" recommends staying 75% in cash and 25% in precious metals stocks. He suggests ECHO BAY, where gold production keeps growing, and AMERICAN BARRICK, where gold production has "gone through the roof." (CNBC "World Business", 8/10)

With some money managers ready to hunt for bargain stocks, "The Wall Street Journal" asks several for their favorites. GRAHAM TANAKA of TANAKA CAPITAL likes INTEL, FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION and HUMANA INC. LASZLO BIRINYI of BIRINYI ASSOCIATES likes HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL, WELLS FARGO, BROWNING FERRIS INDUSTRIES, COMPAQ COMPUTER, GENERAL MOTORS, IBM and PRIMERICA. BYRON WIEN of MORGAN STANLEY is recommending UNITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS, MCI COMMUNICATIONS, INTEL, WALT DISNEY, TOYS 'R' US and PRIMERICA. ALAN GAINES of GAINES BERLAND likes DIAMOND SHAMROCK R&M and HORSHAM CORP.

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"I would say that we're probably seeing the peak in long-term interest rates," says KATHLEEN CAMILLI of RAMIREZ CAPITAL CONSULTANTS. She says that if the 8.87% yield is not the top, it should come within the next month. "Gradually as the economy slips into a recession we probably will eventually have slightly lower long-term rates, possibly with long-term rates moving back towards 8%." (CNBC "World Business", 8/10)

The Fed will wait a little longer before lowering rates because they do not want to be seen as easing in the face of inflation pressures from higher oil costs, predicts DAVID JONES of AUBREY G. LANSTON. He also expects the Fed to ease more gradually, "so they don't come out with both six-guns firing." The oil shock could not have come at a worse time, says Jones, with consumer confidence and corporate profits already weakening. "The bottom line is at least a half-a- point more inflation next year and a half-a-point less real growth," says Jones, who looks for a mild recession in the first two quarters of 1991. (CNN "Business Morning", 8/10)

Strong demand for yesterday's $10.25 billion auction of 30-year Treasury bonds resulted in an average yield of 8.87%, well below estimates. "After [Wednesday's] shaky auction, today was a pleasant surprise," says DAVID JONES of AUBREY G. LANSTON & CO. ("USA Today", 8/10)

ALTHEA DUERSTEN, senior manager of the WORLD BANK's $9 billion bond portfolio, explains why her group stayed away from yesterday's Treasury auction: "The markets are better at quantifying economic risk than political risk. We're not making a major stand when political affairs could blow up when the market's closed." (WSJ, 8/10)

"The auction of the new long bonds was as good as the other two sales were terrible," says WARD McCARTHY of STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. He says the response, in part, was "a sigh of relief that the quarterly refunding sales were over, given the beating the long end of the market has taken since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait." ROBERT BRUSCA, chief economist at NIKKO SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL, says one reason for the good reception of the new long bonds was the surge in oil prices set off by the invasion of Kuwait caused investors to flee earlier this week from longer Treasury maturities. They were ready to come back, he says, when the "statistics of the auction, namely the 'tail', were broadcast. (NYT, 8/10)

"The demand from Japan [for U.S. Treasury bonds] continues to be quite small," says WILLIAM BRACHFELD of DAIWA SECURITIES AMERICA. "This was not a Japanese auction [yesterday], this was a domestic auction." (WSJ, 8/10)

THE ECONOMY:

"I'm afraid the next year that we can feel at all good about [the economy] is probably 1992," says ALLEN SINAI, chief economist at BOSTON CO. ECONOMIC ADVISORS. ("USA Today", 8/10)

"I think we're now going to have to contend with the threat of recession," says BRIAN FABBRI, chief economist at MIDLAND MONTAGU. "In my view, the Fed is going to ease interest rates over the course of the balance of this year not once, but several times." (CNBC "World Business", 8/10)

DELOS SMITH of THE CONFERENCE BOARD says the future of the economy is very difficult to foresee because the price of oil is so unpredictable. He points out that "the differences between $21 or $22, economically, and $30 is going to be enormous." Nonetheless, he foresees a "slow, sputtering, slow-growth economy" ahead. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/9)

"The Fed has been on what I consider to be rather misguided monetary policy," says RICHARD RAHN of the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. "We've had virtually no monetary growth at all in recent months and all that leads us to believe that, unfortunately, we're going to go into recession." The bright spot according to Rahn is that the recession will be neither long nor particularly harsh. But JEFF FAUX of the ECONOMIC POLICY INSTITUTE says Rahn "is only half right." He says the coming recession will not be mild, and counsels the Fed to ease immediately. Faux says the "number one task" of all Americans is to prevent a recession because "we have a tremendous overhang of debt," both private and public. "We could have quite a bath if the economy goes into recession," predicts Faux. (C-SPAN, 8/9)

"August will be a critical month," says IRWIN KELLNER of MANUFACTURERS

HANOVER. "If people are unwilling or unable to go out and buy back-to-school clothes and other materials, we might as well just start the clock counting a new recession." (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/9)

"Overall, the western states should do well compared with other regions during the next year or so," says ROBERT PARRY, president of the FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO. Parry cites rapid population growth during the 1980's, a diverse economy and a strategic location vis-a-vis the Pacific rim nations as factors driving regional growth. He says declining real estate and construction activity in some areas "marks a return to more normal conditions following 'booms' of recent years." (Reuters, 8/9)

IN WASHINGTON:

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD governor JOHN LAWARE tells the HOUSE BANKING COMMITTEE that serious real-estate problems have spread from New England to much of the East Coast. He also says signs of weakness are cropping up in the Midwest and that California, Oregon and Washington are starting to report higher office-vacancy rates. ("USA Today", 8/10)

Savings and loan regulators say the government is suing CHARLES KEATING JR., and five business associates, to recover $40.9 million in depositors' funds from the defunct LINCOLN SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION. "We believe Mr. Keating and his associates profited from improper use of depositors' funds and we want that money returned to Lincoln," says TIMOTHY RYAN JR., director of the OFFICE

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Bonneville Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: BPCO) today announced it had determined to reduce the carrying value of its investment in the Thousand Springs Project. The company indicated that its decision is a result of the announcement by Sierra Pacific Resources on Aug. 9, 1990 not to proceed with further development of the project.

According to Robert L. Wood, chief executive officer and chairman of the board of Bonneville, the exact amount of the reduction in carrying value has not yet been determined, but the maximum exposure to the company would result in a reduction of income after tax effect of approximately $750,000. The uncertainty as to the amount of reduction stems from provisions in the Partnership Agreement which provide for reimbursement of development costs incurred.

Bonneville Pacific, one of the nations leading independent power producers was one of the initial investors in the Thousand Springs Project and holds a 9.5 percent interest in the project.

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#90222p4030 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONGMONT, COLO. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Spectrum DataTech Inc. announced today that it has signed a letter of intent to acquire all of the outstanding shares of stock in RLR Development Inc., an oil and gas exploration and production company located in Farina, Ill. The purchase will be made by Spectrum DataTech for an undisclosed amount of stock and the assumption of debt. The president of RLR Development, L. Stanton Roberts has agreed to a consulting arrangement with the company.

RLR Development operates oil and gas wells in the Central Illinois Basin. This purchase includes a substantial number of development drilling sites.

Spectrum DataTech is a holding company engaged in the business of oil and gas exploration and development. In addition, the company also sells products and services, to computers users, such as blank magnetic media, electrostatic paper, and pen plotter products.

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#90222p4031 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

QUITO, ECUADOR (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Galapagos Cruises is offering one- two- and three-week cruises by chartered yacht in the Galapagos islands. Eight yachts, each of a different character, carry from eight to 12 passengers.

The yachts provide small groups with opportunities to see the islands in more detail than can be offered aboard the company's flagship, the Santa Cruz, or its recent addition, the 34-passenger Isabela II. They can tuck into small coves and isolated beaches, and anchor beneath cliffs swarming with birds where man otherwise has no chance to watch or walk.

Encantada is a 70-feet steel schooner accommodating 10, with a large saloon and plenty of deck space. Beagle III, a 68-feet motor yacht originally used for research by the Charles Darwin Station on Santa Cruz Island, was converted for 10-passenger cruising in 1978. Sulidae, a gaff-rigged wooden ketch of 63 feet, also carries 10.

The 62-foot motor yacht Amigo I, built by Galapagos Cruises in 1985 specifically for the islands, accommodates 12. A conspicious feature of the six-passenger Merak, a fast, 48-foot sailing yacht built in 1986 in

France, is a large amount of deck space -- an afterdeck with bimini top and a forward sun deck. The Nortada, a 66-foot motor yacht also built in France in 1986, sleeps 12, cruises at 16 knots, and carries a variety of watersports equipment. The Mistral, a motor yacht built in Holland in 1987, is the same size as the Nortada and offers almost identical accommodations and service. The 55-foot, fiberglass Marigold accommodates eight.

Each yacht's navigation and communications equipment meets the highest standards. Naturalist-guides sail with each charter.

A recommended one-week itinerary includes Bartolome, Tower, Isabela (Tagus Cove), Narborough (Punta Espinosa), James Bay and Espumilla, Santa Cruz with a visit to the Darwin Station, Floreana (Post Office Bay, Devil's Crown, Point Cormorant), Hood Island and Punta Suarez. Two-week routings add points on the large island of Santa Cruz, Fernandina (where larger vessels don't call) and Isabela, with an overnight excursion to the tortoise reserve in the Alcedo Crater. A three-week itinerary will visit many sides of all the larger islands where other boats make only one call -- and every side has a different bird and marine population, different plants and flowers. Scuba groups use Encantada, Beagle III and Marigold.

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BATON ROUGE, LA. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - On Aug. 9, Telco Communications Inc., a Colorado Corporation (OTC), filed suit for damages, in the 19th Judicial District Court in Baton Rouge, La., against Premier Bank, N.A. and certain of its officers, employees and its insurance underwriter.

Telco Communications Inc. alleges that Premier Bank N.A. and certain of its officers and employees were negligent in its duties and responsibilities as the transfer agent, registrar and dividend disbursing agent for Telco Communications Inc.

Telco Communications Inc. is a telecommunications company with corporate offices located in Baton Rouge, La.

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#90222p4050 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSING, MICH. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Maxco, Inc. (NASDAQ: MAXC) today announced higher net income on an 8-percent sales increase for the first

quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Sales rose to $23,810,000 from $21,951,000. Operating earnings declined 17 percent to $993,000 from $1,196,000 in the year earlier quarter. Net income almost doubled to $606,000, or 12 cents a share, from $305,000, or six cents a share. There were approximately 4.8 million weighted average shares outstanding in this year's quarter compared to 4.9 million in the year earlier period.

Maxco's net in this quarter benefited from $46,000 equity in the earnings of affiliated companies, primarily earnings of Medar, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MDXR), of which Maxco holds 40 percent equity as an investment. Year earlier net was affected by Maxco's $338,000 equity share in losses of affiliated companies, of which $318,000 was attributable to losses incurred by Medar.

Also positively impacting net income in the first quarter was the favorable resolution of the collection of a receivable, which included $125,000 of interest.

"The company is on track for strong performance this year," said Max A. Coon, chairman and president. "Finishmaster, our distributor of automotive refinishing supplies, continues to lead the way in both sales and profitability, with revenues up 28 percent over last year. We have the base to continue growth with this business, with the recently completed distribution facility and the potential in the Illinois market. We are now operating three outlets in the Chicago area and plan for that number to grow.

"Because we believe our stock is an excellent value, we have bought shares in the open market from time to time. We have bought 45,000 shares since July 1, at prices ranging from $1.81 to $2, and we will most likely buy more if circumstances are appropriate," Coon continued.

"With each quarter of financial improvement, we are more confident that our strategic plan is a sound one. We look forward to a good year for fiscal 1991," he concluded.

Maxco distribution businesses include Finishmaster, Inc., and the construction supply group (Ersco and Wisconsin Steel), which markets commercial and highway construction materials throughout Michigan, Wisconsin and Indiana. Wright Plastics, Pak Sak Industries and Akemi Plastic are other Maxco businesses.

MAXCO, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(In Thousands, Except Per-Share Data)

Three Months Ended June 30

	1990 (Unaudited)	1989 (Unaudited)
Net Sales	$23,810	$21,951
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of sales and operating expenses	19,892	18,394
Selling, general and administrative	2,522	2,021
Depreciation and amortization	403	340
	22,817	20,755
OPERATING EARNINGS	993	1,196
Other income (expense):		
Interest income	177	58
Interest expense	(410)	(411)
	(233)	(353)
INCOME BEFORE FEDERAL INCOME TAXES AND EQUITY IN EARNINGS (LOSS) OF AFFILIATES	760	843
Federal income taxes	200	200
INCOME BEFORE EQUITY IN OPERATIONS OF AFFILIATES	560	643
Equity in earnings (loss) of affiliated companies	46	(338)
NET INCOME	606	305
Net Income Per Share:	$.12	$.06

CONTACT: Max Coon or Vince Shunsky of Maxco, Inc., 517-484-1414; or Dixie Watterson, 708-564-5610, Bruce Marcus, 212-599-2820, Largent Parks, 214-387-4520, Earle Brown, 813-796-1452, or Tim King, 213-541-4415, all of The Investor Relations Co., for Maxco, Inc.

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PORT CHESTER, N.Y. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Zeus Components, Inc. (NASDAQ: ZEUS), a leading distributor of military semiconductors and passive components reported a profit in its fiscal third quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Consolidated net income for the period, including the results of the company's TacTech subsidiary, was $43,000 or $.02 per share, compared to $133,000 or $.05 per share for the comparable quarter a year ago.

ZEUS COMPONENTS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)
(000's omitted, except per share data)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$23,613	$26,813	$71,555	$76,966
Cost of goods sold	18,162	20,629	55,335	59,082

Gross profit	5,451	6,189	16,220	17,884
Selling, general & administrative exps.	4,640	5,066	14,004	14,846
Provision for doubtful accounts	25	25	130	75
Depreciation and amortization of property and equipment	214	211	641	633
Interest exp. and amortization of deferred note issuance costs	502	682	1,667	1,995
Inc.(loss) bef. inc. taxes and extraord. item	70	205	(222)	335
Prov. (credit) for income taxes	27	72	(73)	118
Inc.(loss) bef. extraord. item	43	133	(149)	217
Extraord. item-gain from extinguishment of debt, net of income tax provision of $153 and $32, respectively	--	---	296	59
Net income	43	133	147	276
Inc. per com. & com. equivalent share: Inc.(loss) bef. extraordinary item	$.02	$.05	$(.06)	$.08
Extraordinary item	---	---	.11	.02
Net income	.02	.05	.05	.10
No. shares used in computation	2,709,470	2,761,780	2,735,219	2,763,529

CONTACT: Martin S. Fawer, treasurer and CFO of Zeus Components, 914-937-7400

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DURHAM, NC (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Coordinated Medical Services of North Carolina, Inc., parent company of Carolina Physicians' Health Plan, Inc., announced today that it has entered into a Stock Purchase Agreement with Healthsource Management, Inc., wholly owned subsidiary of Healthsource, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLTH) of Concord, New Hampshire, whereby Healthsource Management will purchase from Coordinated Medical Services 29 percent of its stock for $2.5 million. Under the Agreement, Coordinated Medical Services also will issue to Healthsource Management a warrant to purchase additional stock which, if exercised by the payment of an additional $3.5 million, would result in Healthsource Management owning up to 49 percent of the stock of Coordinated Medical Services.

Additional terms of the Agreement require Coordinated to meet certain financial covenants and provide Healthsource Management with rights to provide consulting services, designate two directors for election to the board and executive committee of Coordinated Medical Services, approve or disapprove certain material transactions, and exercise additional rights affecting the operations and control of Coordinated Medical Services under certain circumstances. The Agreement also obligates Healthsource Management to loan to Coordinated Medical Services up to $1 million under certain conditions. This and other obligations of Healthsource Management are guaranteed by Healthsource, Inc. Subject to certain limitations, the Agreement is assignable by Healthsource Management.

Consummation of the stock purchase, which is scheduled to take place this fall, is subject to regulatory approval and certain other conditions, including approval by Coordinated Medical Services shareholders of amendments to its Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws to create a Class B Common Stock to issue to Healthsource Management, remove certain existing restrictions or transfer as applied to Healthsource, and eliminate preemptive rights of shareholders to acquire additional shares.

Healthsource, Inc., a publicly traded company founded in 1985, has interests in and manages three health maintenance organizations which market and provide for the delivery of prepaid health care services in New Hampshire, Maine and South Carolina to 63,000 members. Healthsource has emphasized in its expansion efforts investments in individual practice association (IPA) and model HMOs in secondary markets which offer attractive growth opportunities. Carolina Physicians' Health Plan (CPHP) is such an IPA model which is currently 100 percent physician owned.

CPHP, the state's second largest HMO, was licensed in 1986 to serve six Triangle counties. The service area was expanded in 1988 to serve an additional nineteen Eastern North Carolina counties.

CONTACT: Robert J. Greczyn, Jr., Chief Executive Officer, Coordinated Medical Services of North Carolina, Inc., 919-833-8000

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WEST CHESTER, PA. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Commodore International Limited (NYSE: CBU) today reported net income of $1.5 million or $.05 per share on sales of $887.3 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. In the prior year net income was $51.3 million or $1.59 per share on sales of $939.7 million.

For the fourth fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1990, Commodore reported a net loss of $3.5 million or $.11 per share on sales of $198.1 million. In the prior year quarter Commodore reported a net loss of $8.9 million or

$.28 per share on sales of $180.3 million.

Irving Gould, chairman and chief executive officer, said that in the fourth quarter unit sales of Amiga computers increased by more than 40 percent compared with the prior year quarter, while unit sales of the C64 and PC XT products declined. Total sales for the quarter increased by 10 percent, with a major portion of the increase attributable to favorable currency exchange rates.

Operating profit for the quarter was adversely affected by pricing and an increase in operating expenses as Commodore continued to make substantial sales and marketing investments in certain markets. These factors resulted in a pre-tax loss for the quarter of $14.0 million compared with a pre-tax loss of $16.7 million in the prior year. In the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, the company reduced by $10 million income tax accruals no longer needed to meet certain tax exposures. Accordingly, the net loss for the quarter was $3.5 million compared with a net loss of $8.9 million in the prior year quarter.

Although fiscal year sales declined by 6 percent, sales increased by 10 percent during the fourth quarter as growth of the Amiga and PC product groups more than offset the decline in C64 sales. Moreover, profitability for the fiscal year was significantly affected by the sales and marketing investment required to build a presence in the PC and Amiga professional market.

Commodore International Limited, through its operating subsidiaries around the world, manufactures and markets personal computers for the professional, home/office and consumer markets. The company has three product lines: Amiga multimedia computers, PC compatible computers, and the classic C64 computers.

CONTACT: Carden Welsh, treasurer of Commodore International, 215-431-9100

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Edison Brothers Stores, Inc. (NYSE: EBS), announced today that it has entered into an agreement to acquire Webster Clothes, Inc. Edison will pay $6.00 per share in cash, of which 50 cents per share will be deposited into escrow and will be subject to certain contingencies and adjustments. The transaction will be structured as a merger of a subsidiary of Edison into Webster. Certain shareholders of Webster, who together own over 80 percent of its shares, also have granted Edison an option to purchase their shares at the merger price.

The merger is subject to certain conditions, including the approval of

Webster's shareholders. Closing is anticipated to occur in late September.

Webster operates 128 young men's clothing stores in 25 states, under the name Webster, Zeidler & Zeidler, and Aggio. Sales were over $70 million last year.

"We expect Webster to become an important part of our Edison Menswear Group," said Andrew E. Newman, Edison chairman. "With this addition, we will have about 1,200 men's apparel stores in six distinct formats."

Martin Sneider, Edison president, added, "Webster complements our current menswear line-up, appealing to yet another group of menswear customers. Like J. Riggings, Webster focuses on 20- to 40-year-old men, but with more emphasis on young-classic business and dress attire, and less on sportswear."

Edison Brothers Stores, Inc., operates JW/Jeans West, Coda, Oaktree, J. Riggings, and Repp Ltd. men's apparel stores; 5-7-9 Shops women's apparel stores; Joan Bari accessories boutiques; Bakers, Leeds, Chandlers, The Wild Pair, Velocity, and Sacha London shoe stores; Fashion Shoe departments in certain department stores; Space Port and Time-Out entertainment centers; and Dave and Buster's restaurant/entertainment complexes.

CONTACT: Judy Smith of Edison Brothers, 314-331-7504

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BOSTON/ GENEVA, SWITZERLAND (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Ares-Serono Group today reported worldwide sales of US $162.3 million for the second quarter ending June 30, 1990, compared with $132.6 million for the same period last year, an increase of 22.4 percent. Net income increased by 12.6 percent to $17 million or $31.26 per share, compared with $15.1 million or $27.81 per share in 1989.

Worldwide sales for the six months ending June 30, 1990, rose 20.7 percent to $302.3 million, compared with $250.4 million during the same period in 1989. Excluding favorable currency fluctuations, actual sales growth for the first six months of 1990 was 12.6 percent. Net income rose 1.1 percent to $30 million or $55.23 a share. This compares with $29.7 million or $54.61 per share for the first six months of 1989.

Year-to-date ethical pharmaceutical sales worldwide increased by 25.6 percent to $252 million from $200.6 million during the same period last year. After adjusting for currency effects, the growth in sales of pharmaceutical products was 17.1 percent. Sales of the company's

diagnostic products were $44.9 million, up from $41.7 million.

Pharmaceutical sales were particularly strong in Italy, Spain and France, while the rate of sales growth declined in the United States.

During the first half of 1990, sales of over-the-counter products declined from $8.1 million to $5.4 million, due to the on-time repurchase of inventories in the first quarter of 1990 resulting from a switch from an external to an internal Ares-Serono distribution network. Second quarter sales of the OTC division increased by 12.2 percent to $4.3 million.

Major developments for The Ares-Serono Group in the second quarter of 1990 included:

-- The registration of 22 pharmaceutical products in various countries, bringing in the total number of new drug registrations worldwide to 33 in the first six months of 1990.

-- Substantial growth for Saizen, a bioengineered human growth hormone, and Ares-Serono's first recombinant product. The product, launched in the middle of 1989, has shown an excellent market acceptance and gained significant market share during recent months. Saizen is now registered and sold in 20 countries.

-- An important new indication for Frone, a native beta interferon, in Itlay, for adjuvant therapy in breast and uterine cancers.

-- A favorable recommendation by the CPMP (Committee for Proprietary Medicinal product) of the European Community for the registration in European countries of Geref, an in vivo diagnostic test used to asess the capacity of the body to produce human growth hormone. Geref is already registered and sold in Italy and Spain.

-- The completion of the nearly $7 million expansion of the mammalian cell biotechnology manufacturing facility at Serono Laboratories, Inc. in Randolph, Mass., U.S. The expansion provides an additional 3000-liters of bioreactor capacity for the production of biopharmaceuticals. The new installation is now waiting for US Food and Drug Administration approval to start operations.

The Ares-Serono Group is a leading international developer and marketer of pharmaceutical and diagnostic products with executive headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland and operating headquarters in Boston. The Group operates subsidiaries and manufacturing facilities in more than 20 countries. Shares of Ares-Serono S.A., the parent company of the Group, are listed on the major Swiss stock exchanges.

CONTACT: Jonathan Robbins of Ares-Serono, 617-723-1300

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RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Markel Corporation (NASDAQ: MAKL) has announced reduced consolidated earnings for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990. The decline was due to reduced earnings from investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries caused by lower realized gains on investments. Operating revenues for the second quarter increased 44 percent to $31.2 million and net income decreased 14 percent to $2.7 million. On a per share basis, net income was $0.50 in 1990, compared to $0.60 in 1989. For the six month period operating revenues were $60.3 million for 1990 compared to $42.0 million for 1989, an increase of 44 percent. Net income for the six months decreased 6 percent to $5.4 million, or $1.00 per share, in 1990 from $5.8 million, or $1.10 per share in 1989. Average shares outstanding for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990 was 5.4 million compared to 5.2 million in 1989.

Revenue growth for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, was realized in all areas of operations. Brokerage commissions increased primarily due to the October 1, 1989 acquisition of certain assets of Rhulen Agency, Inc. Claims operating revenues increased due to internal growth and expansion of new offices. The underwriting operations continue to benefit from greater investment income and profitable underwriting experience. Operating income increased 35 percent to $3.4 million for the quarter and 7 percent to $5.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 1990 compared to 1989. Earnings from investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries was $0.6 million for the quarter and $2.1 million for the six months in 1990 compared to $1.7 million for the quarter and $2.5 million for the six months in 1989.

Book value per common share decreased from $11.98 in December 31, 1989 to $11.92 at June 30, 1990 due to unrealized losses on equity securities held by the Company and its unconsolidated subsidiaries of $5.4 million or $0.99 per share.

Markel Corporation is a diversified, specialty insurance organization with operations in the claims management, brokerage and underwriting segments of the industry.

CONTACT: Steven A. Markel of Markel Corporation, 804-965-1675

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - International Dairy Queen, Inc. (NASDAQ: INDQA) announced today that it has agreed with Druther's International, Inc., a Kentucky-based, fast-food franchiser, to jointly

evaluate the feasibility of converting existing corporate and franchisee-operated Druther's restaurants to "Dairy Queen" stores or "Golden Skillet" stores.

If a decision is reached to proceed with the conversion, IDQ and Druther's expect that more than 100 Druther's restaurants located in Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, Indiana and Illinois would become part of the "Dairy Queen" or "Golden Skillet" systems over the next 30 months.

Druther's is a privately owned, fast-service restaurant company with more than 140 restaurants in Kentucky and surrounding states. Druther's is 25 years old and last year had chain sales of more than $95 million.

IDQ develops, licenses and services a system of more than 5,200 "Dairy Queen" stores in the United States, Canada and other foreign countries, featuring hamburgers, hot dogs, various dairy desserts and beverages; more than 650 "Orange Julius" stores in the United States, Canada and other foreign countries, featuring blended drinks made from oranges and other fruit flavors, along with various snack items; more than 160 "Karmelkorn" stores featuring popcorn and other treat items; and more than 70 "Golden Skillet" stores featuring fried chicken.

CONTACT: Frank Heit, 612-830-0316, or Debbie Scinto, 612-830-0204, both of International Dairy Queen

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WELLESLEY, MA (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - EG&G, Inc. (NYSE: EGG) has entered into an agreement with TI Group plc (U.K.) for the purchase of EG&G's Fluid Components Technology Group for $240 million in cash. The agreement is subject to a definitive contract and conditional on appropriate regulatory clearances.

John M. Kucharski, chairman of EG&G, noted, "The purchase price represents a premium over a previously announced offer. This offer represents a very real opportunity for EG&G. We have terminated negotiations with our prior offerer and will proceed toward a year-end closing."

The FCTG businesses had revenues of $180 million in 1989. TI expects to finance the acquisition from its own cash resources and existing credit facilities.

EG&G is a diversified Fortune 300 company that employs more than 30,000 people worldwide to provide advanced scientific and technical products and services to commercial and governmental customers. The company's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol EGG.

CONTACT: Deborah S. Lorenz of EG&G, Inc., 617-431-4306; or M.H.J. Radcliffe of TI Group, 011-44-235-555570

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VIENNA, VA (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - United Financial Banking Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: UFBC) today reported results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990. Earnings for the quarter totaled $174,479, up from $173,629 for the same quarter last year. The six-month total was $174,747, down from $381,063 for the first six months of 1989. Earnings per share were 19 cents for both the six months and the three months ended June 30, 1990, compared to 42 cents and 19 cents for the same periods last year.

The company said the weakened economy and real estate market in the Washington area are the primary factors causing net interest income to decline 44.8 percent from $2,147,896 to $1,185,278 for the six months and 45.4 percent from $1,070,694 to $584,156 for the three months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues from the Community Development Corporation and a new mortgage brokerage subsidiary account for the majority of the increase in other income. Other income rose 112.3 percent from $529,523 to $1,123,948 for the six months and 119 percent from $299,629 to $656,101 for the three months ended June 30, 1990.

UNITED FINANCIAL BANKING COMPANIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Selected Accounts

	June 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Total assets	$83,097,139	$78,071,191
Total liabilities	69,724,074	64,865,987
Total stockholders' equity	13,373,065	13,205,204

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total interest income	$1,246,658	$1,549,386	$2,551,196	$3,199,064
Net interest income	584,156	1,070,694	1,185,278	2,147,896
Provision for loan losses	--	22,500	--	85,000
Total other income	656,101	299,629	1,123,948	529,523
Total other expenses	964,093	1,069,944	2,027,294	1,989,556
Net income	174,479	173,629	174,747	381,063
Weighted number of shares outstanding	916,088	916,874	916,044	917,067
Net income per share of common stock	$0.19	$0.19	$0.19	$0.42

CONTACT: Elizabeth A. Peeler of Financial Communications Inc., 202-898-0676, for United Financial Banking Companies

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NASHUA, N.H. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - NFS Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: NFSF) has declared a dividend of seven cents per share on its common stock for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, payable Sept. 5, 1990 to shareholders of record Aug. 20, 1990.

CONTACT: David A. Sobe or Albert R. Rietheimer of NFS Financial, 603-880-2011

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CONCORD, N.H. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthsource, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLTH) announced today it has signed an agreement to purchase a 29 percent interest in Coordinated Medical Service of North Carolina, Inc. ("CMS") for $2.5 million. CMS is an HMO holding company headquartered in Raleigh N.C., with estimated fiscal 1990 revenues of $38 million. Healthsource will receive a warrant to acquire additional equity not to exceed 49 percent total ownership in CMS for $3.5 million. In addition, Healthsource will provide certain consulting services to CMS for an annual fee representing Healthsource's cost not to exceed .2 percent of revenue or about $76,000. Subject to certain conditions Healthsource has agreed to provide a $1 million loan to CMS. The agreement is subject to CMS shareholder approval of certain matters and approval by North Carolina regulatory authorities. The closing is scheduled for this fall.

CMS owns and operates Carolina Physicians' Health Plan, Inc. ("CPHP"), a 37,000-member HMO serving the Raleigh-Durham area and 19 counties in eastern North Carolina. In addition, CMS owns a third party administrator and preferred provider organization in the same region.

"We look forward to joining the physicians affiliated with Carolina Physicians' Health Plan in their health plan," said Norman C. Payson, M.D. president and chief executive officer of Healthsource, Inc. "CPHP is well positioned to benefit from the continued growth forecast for North Carolina in the 90's."

Healthsource currently manages HMOs in New Hampshire, Maine and South Carolina. The company is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol "HLTH".

CONTACT: Tom Congoran of Healthsource, 603-225-5077

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OAK BROOK, IL (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Chemical Waste Management Inc. (NYSE: CHW), and its parent, Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: WMX), announced that Chemical Waste Management is offering $500 million principal amount at maturity of Liquid Yield Option(TM) Notes (LYONs(TM) due 2010. The LYONs are zero coupon, subordinated notes priced at $306.56 per LYON ($1,000 principal amount at maturity) to yield six percent to maturity. LYONs are convertible into shares of common stock of Chemical Waste Management at an initial conversion rate of 11.676 shares per LYON.

The offering is expected to result in proceeds to Chemical Waste Management of approximately $150 million which will be used to retire existing indebtedness to Waste Management, Inc. Waste Management intends to apply such amounts as are received by it from Chemical Waste Management to the reduction of Waste Management's commercial paper or short-term indebtedness issued to provide funds for use in the ordinary course of business and for general corporate purposes.

Merrill Lynch Capital Markets is acting as sole underwriter of the offering. Chemical Waste Management has granted Merrill Lynch an option to purchase up to an additional $75 million principal amount at maturity of LYONs to cover over-allotments, if any.

Waste Management is the nation's largest comprehensive waste services company, providing waste reduction and recycling services, as well as the collection, treatment and disposal of solid and hazardous wastes, with operations in 48 states, Canada and a number of countries overseas.

Chemical Waste Management is the nation's largest environmental services company, specializing in the transportation, treatment and disposal of hazardous wastes and the cleanup of sites contaminated with such wastes, and is a 77 percent-owned subsidiary of Waste Management.

This announcement shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any State in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such State. The offer of these securities shall only be made by means of a prospectus.

Copies of the prospectus relating to the offering may be obtained from Merrill Lynch Capital Markets.

CONTACT: Jim Koenig 708-572-8822, Chemical Waste Management. (CHW WMX)

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CALABASAS, CA (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Players International, Inc. (NASDAQ: PLAY) today reported increased operating results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended June 30, 1990.

For the first quarter of fiscal 1991, the company reported revenues of $4,304,900, a 14 percent increase over the $3,786,400 reported for the comparable period the prior year. Income before proceeds from a contract settlement for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 increased 40 percent to $505,600, from $360,600 reported in last year's first quarter. Net income for the quarter was $303,400, or $.04 per share. This compares to last year's first quarter net income of $2,875,500, or $.37 per share, which included a pre-tax gain of $3,500,000 from a contract settlement.

In commenting on the results, David Fishman, Players' vice-chairman, said, "We continue to benefit from the growth in our core businesses, including the incremental profitability of membership renewals at Players Club. This provides us with both the resources and infrastructure to enter new areas in the entertainment industry, most notably the recent debut of our 900 number call-in game, Phone Jeopardy!

Players International is currently test marketing Phone Jeopardy! and, based upon research and testing, the game is expected to be fully operational by the third quarter of the fiscal year. Phone Jeopardy! will be the first in a series of interactive telephone games developed by Players. Test marketing for Wheel of Fortune is planned for the Fall of 1990, and negotiations are underway with other television game shows and board game manufacturers for the right to develop additional interactive telephone games.

Players International specializes in the marketing of numerous services and products to the gaming and entertainment industries. Players Club is a membership club with over 96,000 members, designed to deliver discounts and other benefits to recreational gamers; International Gaming Promotions markets gaming tournaments and special events; Players World Travel is a full-service travel agency; the company markets electronic cash advance systems; through 50 percent owned affiliates, publishes a monthly newspaper for gaming enthusiasts and operates cruise ship casinos; and recently entered the 900 number call-in game industry with Phone Jeopardy! as the first in a full network of games.

CONTACT: Lynn Morgan or JoAnn Horne of Morgen-Walke Associates, 212-986-5900, for Players International

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MIDDLEBORO, MASS. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Mayflower Co-operative Bank

(NASDAQ: MFLR) announced today that its board of directors has voted to suspend payment of its quarterly cash dividend, effective immediately. The bank had previously paid a quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per share.

According to bank President William C. MacLeod, the bank expects to report net income for the quarter ended July 31, 1990. However the board of directors voted to suspend the payment of the dividend in response to reduced income levels. "While our capital to assets level remains strong at 11.5 percent at April 30, 1990, the board of directors has decided that it would be prudent to suspend payment of the dividend, given the current real estate market and economic development. We do expect a profitable first quarter of fiscal 1991," stated MacLeod. The resumption of the payment of a dividend will depend upon the bank's future earnings. The bank expects to report its results of operations for the first quarter, ended July 31, 1990, in the next few weeks.

At April 30, 1990, the end of its 1990 fiscal year, the bank's total assets were $91.7 million and its stockholder's equity was $10.6 million. The bank had 851,900 shares of common stock outstanding.

Mayflower Co-operative Bank. with three offices of Middleboro, Plymouth and Wareham, Mass., has its deposits insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and the Share Insurance Fund (SIF) of the Co-operative Bank.

CONTACT: Carol DeMoranville of Mayflower Co-operative Bank, 508-947-4343

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CERRITOS, CALIF. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Cardis Corp. (OTC) today announced a sharply reduced fourth quarter and fiscal 1990 operating loss before an extraordinary gain related to the company's emergence from Chapter 11 reorganization.

The company reported a loss from continuing operations before extraordinary item of $1,052,000, or 11 cents per share, for the fourth quarter ended April 30, 1990, compared with a loss from continuing operations of $11,661,000, or $1.06 per share, in the same period a year ago. The company posted net sales of $21,189,000 for the three-month period, compared with $21,596,000 a year earlier.

For the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990, Cardis incurred a loss from continuing operations before extraordinary item of $2,986,000 or 28 cents per share, versus a loss from continuing operations of $22,225,000, or $2.03 per share, in the comparable period last year. Net sales were $84,825,000 compared with $93,733,000 a year ago.

Fiscal 1989's operating results reflect reduced interest expense, since interest was not charged on debt deferred by Chapter 11 bankruptcy. Since the company's emergence from Chapter 11, interest on debt has been charged to operations at contractual rates. Exclusive of interest costs and the write-off of goodwill in 1989, losses from continuing operations in the fourth quarter and 12 months ended April 30, 1990 were down from the prior year's corresponding period by $4,331,000 and $11,914,000, respectively.

Cardis Corp. emerged from its Chapter 11 reorganization on Dec. 12, 1989. The company operates nine automotive parts warehouse distribution centers and 25 jobber retail stores located throughout California.

CONTACT: Kenneth D. Walker of Cardis Corp., 213-926-4492, or Craig A. Parsons or Roger S. Pondel of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300

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#90222p4082 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

TACOMA, WASH. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hillhaven Corp. (AMEX: HIL) announced today that it will purchase six nursing centers that it currently operates under lease agreements. The nursing centers, located in Kentucky, represent almost 800 beds and are approximately 98 percent occupied.

The purchasing price of $20,750,000 will be financed primarily through a mortgage pool financing line available to Hillhaven. The transaction is subject to appropriate governmental and other approvals and is expected to close before Oct. 31.

"In June we announced the purchase of five nursing centers from National Medical Enterprises Inc. (NME) and this transaction is consistent with our long-range plan to purchase a number of nursing centers currently leased from others," remarked Chris Marker, president of Hillhaven. "The purchase of these nursing centers reaffirms our commitment to long-term care in Kentucky, where Hillhaven operates 15 nursing centers providing care to almost 1,900 residents on a daily basis."

The Hillhaven Corp. is a leading provider of quality long-term health care. The company owns, leases or manages approximately 350 long-term care centers in 38 states and 24 retirement housing communities in 14 states. Additionally, its Medi-$ave Pharmacies subsidiary operates 116 retail and institutional pharmacies in 23 states. Hillhaven provides care for over 42,000 people on a daily basis and employs more than 35,000 individuals nationwide.

On Jan. 31, Hillhaven became a public company through a spin-off

distribution from its prior parent company, NME. Founded in 1946, Hillhaven had been the principal operating subsidiary of the Long Term Care Group of NME since 1979.

CONTACT: Tim Carroll of Hillhaven Corp., 206-572-4901

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Price Stern Sloan (NASDAQ: PSSP) today announced that it has signed an exclusive licensing agreement with Mattel Inc. (NYSE: MAT) under which Price Stern Sloan has the right to produce a Barbie (TM) series of books for young readers, a cookbook, Mad Libs (R), Doodle Art (R), and See 'N Say (TM) based on the popular doll character. Price Stern Sloan plans to introduce the first line of Barbie books for its Spring 1991 list.

"We are particularly enthused about this agreement, since the Barbie characters, whose popularity continues into new generations, has never before been the focus of any storybooks geared to such as a broad audience " said L. Lawrence Sloan, chairman of Price Stern Sloan. He added, "The company has enhanced its standing with the addition of another quality company such as Mattel for new licensing material, following our agreement reached with the Walt Disney Company last month."

As previously announced, Price Stern Sloan entered into a licensing agreement in July with the Walt Disney Company to produce a Questron (R) electronic wand using a Mickey Mouse head, and to publish six Questron books featuring a variety of standard and classic Disney characters.

Price Stern Sloan publishes and distributes children's books and related audio and videocassettes, cookbooks, humor and self-help books, calendars, puzzles and poster art, as well as the Questron electronic wand and books.

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NORMAL, IL (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Diamond-Star Motors (DSM) is going "Back-to-School" with a fleet of 21 cars donated to automotive classes at Illinois high schools, colleges and vocational training centers. The autos, valued at almost $275,000, will benefit more than 3,500 vocational technology students each year.

The cars - eight Mitsubishi Eclipses and 13 Plymouth Lasers - are

pre-production vehicles used during the start-up period of the state-of-the-art Chrysler/Mitsubishi joint-venture facility located in Normal.

"These vehicles were instrumental in training our associates at Diamond-Star," explained Pat Walter, general manager of human resources at DSM. "Typically, pre-production cars would be scrapped once the testing phase is completed.

"With Diamond-Star's 'Back-to-School' program, the cars will go out to the community to assist in training programs for tomorrow's automotive technicians. Some of these students may even bring these skills to Diamond-Star one day."

According to Walter, "Many automotive technology students get their 'hands-on' experience while working on their own cars or with autos loaned by family or faculty members. Usually these are older cars unequipped with the latest technology."

The 21 cars provided by Diamond-Star will give students an opportunity to work with multiport fuel injection, double overhead cam engines and turbocharged engines, front wheel drive and on-board computer systems.

Students will be able to perform diagnostic tests on complicated mechanical and electronic systems, do tune-ups on the newest engines and body repairs on today's sleekly molded, aerodynamic contours.

"Without such a donation, it would be financially impossible for the college to provide a live, hands-on vehicle for teaching sophisticated automotive systems," noted Mark Harbaugh, dean of occupational programs at Lincoln Land Community College in Springfield, Ill. The school received its Mitsubishi Eclipse this week.

The Illinois State Board of Education assisted Diamond-Star in identifying area schools offering automotive technology programs. These schools were then invited to submit an application describing their programs and their plans for incorporating a DSM vehicle into their training curriculum.

Diamond-Star Motors, manufacturer of the Plymouth Laser, Mitsubishi Eclipse and Mirage, and Eagle Talon and Summit, is a 50/50 joint venture company formed by Chrysler Corp. and Mitsubishi Motors Corp.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - BellSouth Corp. (NYSE: BLS) today announced officer changes effective Sept. 1 in several of its subsidiaries.

"These changes position BellSouth and its family of companies to better respond to the increasingly competitive marketplace of the 1990s," said BellSouth Chairman and Chief Executive Officer John L. Clendenin.

H.C. "Buddy" Henry Jr. was named executive vice president of marketing and business development at BellSouth Enterprises. Henry will be responsible for overseeing corporate strategy and development, marketing and technology matters, and regulatory and international operations. He is currently vice president-Florida for Southern Bell.

Joseph P. Lacher was appointed vice president-Florida succeeding Henry. Lacher is presently vice president-North Carolina for Southern Bell.

J. Billie Ray Jr. was named vice president-North Carolina, succeeding Joseph Lacher. Ray is currently associate general counsel for BellSouth Services in Birmingham, Ala.

W. Hagood Bellinger was named vice president-network staff at Southern Bell headquarters in Atlanta. He is presently Southern Bell vice president-network for Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina.

D.L. (Don) Strohmeyer was elected Southern Bell vice president-network succeeding Bellinger. Strohmeyer, who will assume responsbility for network operations in Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina, is currently vice president-marketing for BellSouth Services.

William F. Reddersen was named vice president-marketing with BellSouth Services, succeeding Strohmeyer. Reddersen is presently vice president-marketing and technology for BellSouth Enterprises.

Michael K. Harrell, current president of BellSouth Communications, will replace Reddersen as vice president-marketing and technology for BellSouth Enterprises.

Rod D. Odom, current vice president-publishing for BellSouth Advertising and Publishing Corporation, will replace Harrell as president of BellSouth Communications.

BellSouth is an Atlanta-based international telecommunications holding company. Its subsidiaries offer local telephone service in nine southeastern states, mobile communications service worldwide, provide advertising and publishing services, and market and maintain stand-alone and fully integrated communications systems.

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COLUMBIA, MD (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - (Singer) Link Miles Simulation Corporation, the world's largest producer of nuclear power plant simulators, announced a change in the name of their corporation today.

The new name of the company is S3 Technologies. "S3" stands for Simulation, Systems & Services. For the safe operation of nuclear power plants, many regulatory agencies around the world now require operator training in a customized power plant simulator. S3 Technologies currently has revenues in excess of $40 million and is forecasting a healthy market expansion, especially in the Soviet Union.

S3 Technologies has recently formed a joint venture company with the Soviet Union in a plan to upgrade and support the Soviet nuclear power plant industry with simulators, training and engineering services.

General Energy Technologies, as the company is called, is the first venture of its kind in the Soviet Union, a country whose power plant training needs represent the industry's largest untapped market. The Soviet Union presently has approximately 50 power plants in operation with another 30 under construction.

In commenting on the company name change and expanding operations, Dean Crawford, president of S3 Technologies said: "Nothing else has changed except our name - our expert engineering, technical leadership and our continuing commitment to excellence remains unchanged. The 'S3' in our new name more accurately reflects the basic strategies that have made us a world leader in the industry: Simulation, Systems & Services."

According to Crawford, S3 Technologies has won 72 out of approximately 123 competitively procured power plant simulator contracts during the last two decades worldwide.

The company employs more than 400 people and is headquartered in offices based near Washington in Columbia, Md. In 1991, S3 Technologies will move to a larger building designed especially for simulation to accommodate its expanding operations.

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VALLEY STREAM, N.Y. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Colonial Commercial Corp. (NASDAQ: CCOM) issued its results for the six months and three months ended June 30, 1990. The figures are:

COLONIAL COMMERCIAL CORP.
(Unaudited)

Six months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Revenues	$4,443,220 (A)	$18,854,981
Net income	60,647	1,067,049
Earnings per equivalent share	$.00	$.07
Three months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,988,371 (A)	$8,408,823
Net income (loss)	(204,554)	593,459
Earnings per equivalent share	($.01)	$.04

(A) -- Total revenues decreased principally due to early 1990 closing of the remaining retail stores of the Devon Stores, Inc. subsidiary with no sales being recorded in the 1990 period.

(B) -- Colonial Commercial Corp. is engaged mainly in collection, realization and liquidation of accounts receivable and other assets purchased for its own account.

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#90222p4092 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HARTFORD, CT (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Barry Baskind, president of Motts Holdings, Inc. (AMEX: MSM), today reported the results of the company's operations for the second quarter and first half ended June 30, 1990. In announcing results, Baskind pointed out that the losses sustained from operations of the three remaining supermarkets have been included as part of discontinued operations.

The company's income from continuing operations before discontinued operations amounted to $137,800, or $.05 per share, for the 1990 second quarter, versus $113,325, or $.04 per share, for the same 1989 period. Losses from discontinued operations net of tax provision amounted to $291,321 as compared to $368,709 a year earlier. In the most recent quarter, the foregoing loss of $291,321 is net of credits for insurance reimbursements of $374,891. After providing for losses from discontinued operations, the net loss amounted to $153,521, or $.06 per share, in the 1990 quarter versus a net loss of $225,384, or $.10 per share, sustained in the corresponding 1989 period.

For the first half of 1990 income from continuing operations before discontinued operations amounted to $235,397, or $.09 per share, versus

$223,437, or $.09 per share, for the same 1989 period. After losses from discontinued operations net of tax provision of $794,357 and $678,230 in fiscal 1990 and fiscal 1989, respectively, the net loss amounted to $558,960, or $.21 per share, for the latest six months versus a net loss of $454,793, or $.17 per share, sustained in the year earlier first half.

The foregoing per share calculations are based on 2,610,454 shares outstanding at June 30, 1990 and July 1, 1989.

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ROCHDALE, MASS. (AUG. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Rovac Corporation (OTC), declared on Aug. 3, 1990, that it will recommend a reverse split of its common stock to shareowners at the company's next stockholder's meeting. The board also recommended stockholder approval of a merger of the company's affiliate, Stafford Industries, Inc., into The Rovac Corporation through an exchange of common and preferred shares of Rovac for the common stock of Stafford. The Rovac directors agreed to a one-for-fifteen reverse split of the company's common stock subject to shareholder approval. They also voted to enter into an agreement in principal with Stafford Industries to merge Stafford's common stock into Rovac. This proposal is subject to approval by the directors of Stafford as well as the shareholders of both companies.

The one-for-fifteen reverse stock split will reduce the number of Rovac common shares currently issued and outstanding from approximately 37.7 million to approximately 2.5 million shares. The company also expects to ask its shareholders to approve the authorization of an additional 2 million shares of common stock, after giving effect to the reverse stock split. This will ensure that sufficient capital stock is available for future issue.

Raymond E. Shea, chairman of The Rovac Corporation, said that -- in his opinion -- a reduction of the company's common shares, and the increase of 2 million shares of post-split authorized capital stock, will better position Rovac to achieve earnings per share which are consistent with the company's anticipated revenues from its several product development licensing programs. Thus, Shea added, "We believe that these actions will make the company and its shares more attractive to the investment community."

In addition to the more than 22.5 million shares of Rovac common stock held by Stafford, that company also owns real estate and other property which carries a current net fair market value of approximately $2 million.

Under the terms of the proposed merger, Rovac is to receive all of the shares of Stafford's capital stock and each shareholder of Stafford will receive a combination of Rovac preferred and common stock, which will be equivalent to the fair value of Stafford's assets, less any liabilities.

If the merger takes place, Rovac management anticipates that approximately 13,000 shares of preferred stock -- valued at $100 per share -- and, perhaps, as many as 1.6 million shares of Rovac's post- split common shares, depending upon the market price of the common stock prior to the merger, will be exchanged for Stafford's common stock. The company has already issued 12,000 shares of preferred stock, at $100 per share, to extinguish the intercompany debt.

Shea expects that the merger will be approved by the shareholders of both companies. If so, he believes that Rovac may have sufficient assets to qualify for filing an application to list its shares on a regional stock exchange, or with NASDAQ.

The company expects to file a Registration Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering the shares of common and preferred stock of Rovac to be issued in exchange for the stock of Stafford. No date has been announced for a shareholder meeting to approve the merger, nor has a date been set by the directors of either company as to when the stockholders of record will be affected by the reverse stock split or the merger.

The Rovac Company is a small research and development firm, which is located just outside of Worcester, Mass. The company is engaged principally in designing, building and testing a number of products which eliminate the use of ozone-depleting chloroflourocarbons (CFCs) through its patented, low-pressure, rotating, gas-handling power technology.

In late May of this year, Rovac announced formation of a joint venture with Autocam Corporation to commence the immediate production and marketing of its ozone-protective, automotive air conditioning systems. Located in the Grand Rapids, Mich., area, Autocam is a major supplier to the automotive industry.

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SPOKANE, WASH. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Montana Precision Mining Ltd. (MPM) (NASDAQ: MPML) announced today that Smogless S.p.A., Milan, Italy, will complete construction of the first Skygas commercial demonstration unit within four months.

Skygas is a photo-electrokinetic process for converting solid and semi-solid wastes into a clean burning medium BTU gas that can be used for producing steam or electric power. The composition of the gas also offers the potential for conversion into valuable chemicals such as methanol and ammonia.

During this time, Smogless also plans to start development of two full scale commercial Skygas units for inclusion in a refuse derived fuel (RDF) incineration plant and in a RDF plus sewage sludge incineration plant, both in Italy.

On March 20, MPM announced that it had entered into an agreement with Smogless S.p.A., Milan, Italy, and Xytel Corp., Mt. Prospect, Ill., for the purpose of commercializing the Skygas process.

"Smogless will be investing in excess of $4,000,000 in the first unit," said MPM spokesman Robert Little. "We are very pleased with the progress of this project, as a commercial unit will be completed in only 8 months from the time we entered into the agreement with Smogless and Xytel," he added.

Smogless, headquartered in Milan, Italy, specializes in designing and constructing plants for treating municipal and industrial wastes and effluents. With over 30 years of experience in the field of environmental protection engineering, Smogless is well recognized in Europe as a leader in the fields of air, water and soil pollution control.

Xytel, headquartered in Mt. Prospect, Ill., is the world's leading designer and manufacturer of advanced process and product research systems for the petroleum, petrochemical, chemical, pulp and paper, and food industries. In their 15-year history, Xytel has completed 600 plus projects for 168 customers in 21 countries. Xytel has joint ventures and affiliations in the United States, Europe, Japan and the People's Republic of China.

Montana Precision Mining Ltd., with offices in Spokane, Wash., and Eureka, Mont., with exclusive licensing rights to the Skygas process, is involved in waste-to-energy projects and in exploration and development of mining properties.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - In line with previously announced expectations, National Mercantile Bancorp (NASDAQ: MBLA) today reported a loss of $1,002,000, or $.32 per share, for its second quarter ended June

30, 1990. For the current six months, the company recorded a loss of $334,000, or $.11 per share.

In the prior year second quarter and six-month periods, National Mercantile reported net income of $919,000, or $.36 per share, and $1,725,000, or $.67 per share, respectively.

Losses in the current periods result from the company's previously disclosed decision to take a $3.1 million pre-tax charge against earnings in the second quarter.

The charge encompasses a one-time payment relating to the resignation in April of the company's then president; a write-off of the balance due on a loan determined to be uncollectible; and an increase in the company's loan loss reserves to replenish reserves and recognize significant growth experienced in the loan portfolio.

"After a thorough analysis of all the bank's operations, these charges were determined to be absolutely necessary to create a clean, solid base for achieving our full growth potential," said William T. Hughes, president and chief operating officer. "We are highly confident that the second half of 1990 will properly reflect the strong core earnings of the bank."

Hughes added that the company's financial position at June 30, 1990 continued to be strong. He noted that total shareholders' equity of $30.2 million represented a 31 percent increase from a year ago.

The bank's primary and risk-based capital ratios of 8.14 percent and 13.26 percent, exceeded regulatory requirements of 6.0 percent and 7.25 percent. And the bank's allowance for possible loan losses was increased to $4.7 million at June 30, 1990, from $3.5 million a year ago.

The greater number of weighted average shares outstanding for the 1990 periods result principally from the sale of shares earlier in the year to two private investor groups.

National Mercantile Bancorp is the holding company for Mercantile National Bank, member FDIC, an independent commercial bank with offices in Century City and Irvine, Calif.

The bank offers a wide range of financial services to middle market companies, the entertainment industry, the real estate community, professionals, high net worth individuals and the escrow and title industries.

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#90222p4102 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORT WASHINGTON, N.Y. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Nytest Environmental Inc. (NYTS) today announced record second quarter revenues of $1,624,394 and net income of $189,715. Revenues increased by 20 percent and net income increased by 25 percent over the corresponding period a year earlier.

Nytest anticipates that the company will continue its profitable growth and believes that the company will also continue to take advantage of the growing available market for its services.

NYTEST ENVIRONMENTAL INC.

Periods ended:	Quarter		Six months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,624,394	$1,353,912	$2,956,361	$2,557,739
Net income	189,715	151,913	213,853	237,272
Shares earned	$.03	$.03	$.04	$.04
Wtd. avg. common shares outstdg.	5,705,230	5,735,087	5,705,230	5,726,907

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CHARLOTTE, NC (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph P. Lacher, Southern Bell's Vice President for North Carolina, has been named to head the company's Florida operations. He will be replaced by J. Billie Ray Jr., who was elected by the Southern Bell Board of Directors to be the company's chief executive officer for North Carolina.

The moves will be effective Sept. 1, 1990. Ray, 43, is currently Associate General Counsel for BellSouth Services in Birmingham, Ala. He was promoted to his current position in 1989 after five years as the company's General Attorney in North Carolina. He has also served in the company's legal office in its Atlanta headquarters and its Georgia state office. Prior to joining Southern Bell, he was in private practice in Athens, Ga.

A native of Calhoun, Ga., Ray earned his undergraduate degree from the Georgia Institute of Technology before enlisting in the U.S. Navy. He served four years as a pilot with the rank of lieutenant. Following his

discharge from the service, Ray attended the University of Georgia Law School, where he earned a legal degree with honors.

During his previous tenure in North Carolina, Ray served as a member of the Board of Trustees and as Secretary and Vice President of Discovery Place Science Museums of Charlotte.

Ray and his wife, Carol, have two children, Chris and Calli. Lacher, 44, came to North Carolina in 1988 after having served as Executive Secretary and Treasurer at company headquarters in Atlanta. A native of Bradenton, Fla., he had begun his Southern Bell career in Charlotte two decades before. He said that although he looks forward to taking his new position in Florida, he is sad to be leaving North Carolina.

During his North Carolina tenure Lacher has been active in many civic, economic development and education groups. His activities have included serving on the Board of Directors of the United Way, the Public School Forum and University Research Park.

He is a trustee of the Cities in Schools program, the Performing Arts Center and the N.C. Council on Economic Education. He is also a member of the executive committee of North Carolina Citizens for Business and Industry, the Governor's Council of Economic Advisers and is president of the North Carolina Telephone Association.

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#90222p4107 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCCONNELLSBURG, PA (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - JLG Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: JLGI) today announced plans for a reduction in its work force as a result of the previously announced softening in its incoming order rate.

John L. Grove, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, attributed the decline in orders to a further deterioration in economic conditions, which has had an adverse effect on residential and commercial construction as well as key industrial markets.

Grove said, "Our distributors' rental business remains relatively strong, except for certain regional softness, and requests for quotations on new equipment are continuing at a healthy pace, but buyers seem to be taking a 'wait-and-see' attitude relative to the future direction of the economy and to the impact of recent international events."

Grove placed current levels of unfilled orders equal to approximately 45

days' sales. This compares to levels of approximately 100 days three months ago.

Grove indicated that the work force reduction will affect approximately 150 workers at its McConnellsburg plant. This is in addition to a reduction of approximately 135 workers that has taken place over the past several months at the company's domestic and foreign facilities.

Grove said, "Additional cost reduction measures have also been implemented, and significant emphasis is being placed on reducing inventories and borrowing levels. These efforts will continue along with other cost reduction programs." JLG reported that its work force after the reduction will total approximately 1,400 people, with 1,150 in the United States and 250 overseas.

Grove reiterated that these recent events have not altered his assessment of the outlook for the company's most recently completed fiscal year, which is expected to show both record sales and net income.

JLG Industries Inc. is an international manufacturer and marketer of specialized hydraulic machinery, including mobile aerial work platforms and cranes. Sales are made principally to independent distributors which provide sales and service support as well as rent the company's products to a broad customer base, including users in the construction and industrial markets.

The company is headquartered in McConnellsburg, Pa., with additional manufacturing facilities in Fort Littleton, Bedford, and York, Pa.; Cumbernauld, Scotland; and Port Macquaire, Australia.

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HARTFORD, CT AND BOSTON (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Shawmut National Corporation (NYSE: SNC) today announced that following the completion of its regulatory examination, concluded during the second quarter, it has entered into agreements with federal bank regulators to strengthen certain lending practices, credit review, liquidity planning and management information systems.

Shawmut Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Joel B. Alvord said, "We believe that the provisions of these agreements will serve to assure our long-term strength."

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#90222p4109 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Comstock Resources, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CMRE) today announced that it has entered into a definitive gas purchase contract for a term of 15 years with The Maple Gas Corporation ("Maple") for all of the casinghead gas production from Comstock's 54,000 acre Bivins Ranch Lease located in Moore, Potter, Oldham, and Hartley Counties, Texas.

Under the terms of the contract, until Dec. 1, 1990, Maple will purchase all casinghead gas produced by Comstock on an unprocessed basis. By Dec. 1, 1990, Maple has agreed to install cryogenic processing facilities with a capacity of at least 20,000 Mcf per day which, subject to Comstock's deliverability, will increase to 40,000 Mcf per day by April 1, 1991. Beginning Dec. 1, 1990, Maple will pay Comstock based on 90 percent of residue gas and 70 percent of all liquids extracted by the processing facilities.

Comstock anticipates completion of Maple's initial pipeline connection within 10 days. Maple will ultimately construct two additional interconnects with major pipelines, as well as construct approximately 20 miles of pipeline gathering facilities at an estimated cost in excess of $20 million.

In addition, Robert L. Cook, chief operating officer, stated, "Preliminary test results on the first seven of the 97 wells being completed on the Bivins Ranch Lease indicate that the Ellenburger, Weathered Granite, Granite Wash and Red Cave zones are commercially oil productive and should exceed originally engineered oil production estimates, as well as produce the allowable casinghead gas." Cook also noted that there are still several additional zones to be tested that log analysis indicate should be commercially productive. Comstock plans to complete preliminary tests on an additional 14 wells during the next two weeks, as well as commence drilling the sixth well in its 10 well 1990 drilling program.

Comstock Resources, Inc. owns and manages income producing assets in oil, casinghead and natural gas, precious metals and real estate, with subsidiary operations since 1865. Additional information about the company may be obtained by contacting M. Jay Allison, president and chief executive officer, at 5005 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1150, Dallas, Texas 75244, 214-701-2100.

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#90222p4110 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Recognition Equipment Incorporated (NYSE: REC) announced today that it had sold two of its European subsidiaries in Italy and the United Kingdom in separate transactions to the existing subsidiary managers in each country.

The actions are part of the company's previously announced intention to sell non-imaging assets to enable it to focus on the market for imaging products that process such documents as insurance claims, waybills and government forms.

The operations in both countries include sales and service of document processing systems manufactured in Recognition's Dallas headquarters plant. While the terms of the sales were not disclosed, the company said Recognition's products will continue to be distributed through the newly independent entities.

"Earlier this year we announced our intention to focus on products which process the images of documents, rather than the paper itself," said Bob Vanourek, co-chief executive officer of Recognition. "To capitalize on this potential, we had announced our intention to sell certain non-image related assets. The sale of these subsidiaries is part of that plan, and we expect additional asset sales in the future."

J.P. Morgan acted as financial advisor to Recognition for these transactions.

Recognition, headquartered in Dallas, and its wholly owned subsidiary, Plexus Software, Inc., manufacture, sell and service image and data capture hardware and software systems for customers throughout the world.

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#90222p4111 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
GREENWICH, CT (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Finevest Foods, Inc. (NYSE: FVF) today reported net income of $764,000, or $.07 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to net income of $179,000, or $.02 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1989. For the six months of 1990, the company reported a net loss of $1,509,000, or $.14 per share, compared with a net loss of $1,454,000, or $.14 per share, for the same period last year.

Lower raw milk costs in April and May and continued efficiency improvements enabled the company's dairy operations to improve margins, recording operating income in the second quarter which was higher than in

the comparable period last year. The higher operating income was achieved despite higher raw milk costs in 1990 compared to 1989 levels, and despite lower volume in the company's Florida and Georgia regions due to price competition. The company's frozen food distribution operations continued to record outstanding results, and expanded into Texas during the second quarter with a distribution facility in Houston. The company anticipates continued profitability of both its frozen food and dairy operations for the remainder of 1990.

Net sales for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $177,207,000 compared to $177,097,000 in the 1989 period, as dairy sales declined 6 percent and frozen food distribution sales increased 9 percent. The decrease in dairy sales resulted essentially from a loss of customers in the Florida and Georgia regions due to continued price competition. The increase in frozen food distribution sales resulted primarily from the start-up of the new Houston distribution facility, which began operation this quarter, and from increased volume from new and existing customers.

Net sales for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were $354,991,000, an increase of 1.4 percent from $349,975,000 in the 1989 period. The increase resulted from a 6.4 percent increase in frozen food distribution sales, offset by a decline of 2 percent in dairy sales for the reasons previously mentioned.

Finevest Foods, Inc. is a leading wholesale distributor of frozen foods and dairy products in the Southeastern United States and is one of that region's largest processors of fluid milk, ice cream and other related dairy products.

FINEVEST FOODS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended	Three months		Six months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$177,207	$177,097	$354,991	$349,975
Cost of sales	142,967	142,286	289,642	285,188
Total	34,240	34,811	65,349	64,787
Delivery, selling, administrative & general expenses	30,062	31,043	60,015	60,722
Operating income	4,178	3,768	5,334	4,065
Interest expense	3,351	3,399	6,712	6,247
Income (loss) before income taxes	827	369	(1,378)	(2,182)
Income taxes (benefit)(A)	63	190	131	(728)
Net income (loss)	764	179	(1,509)	(1,454)
Net income (loss) per share	$0.07	$0.02	$(0.14)	$(0.14)
Avg. no. of shrs. of				

common stock outstanding	10,600	10,600	10,600	10,600

(A) The company did not recognize a federal tax benefit on the loss of $1,378,000 in the six months ended June 30, 1990. Such loss will be available to offset future taxable income.

CONTACT: Mel P. Melsheimer, chief financial officer of Finevest Foods, 203-629-8014, or Steve Barach of G.A. Kraut, 212-696-5600, for Finevest Foods

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#90222p4113 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Gitano Group, Inc. (NYSE: GIT) today announced, for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, net income of $6,649,000, a 35.3 percent increase from $4,913,000 in the 1989 second quarter. Net sales totalled $180,350,000 for the quarter, reflecting a 36.6 percent increase from net sales of $132,021,000 recorded a year ago. Earnings per share for the quarter were $.47 based on 14,289,752 weighted average shares outstanding, compared with $.35 per share based on 13,920,655 shares outstanding in 1989.

For the first six months of 1990, Gitano reported an increase of 24.9 percent in net income to $20,824,000 from $16,677,000 in 1989. Net sales increased 39.0 percent to $404,240,000 from $290,777,000 recorded a year ago. Earnings per share totalled $1.47 for the first six months based on 14,119,617 shares outstanding, compared with $1.20 last year, based on 13,920,655 shares outstanding.

Haim Dabah, president and chief operating officer of The Gitano Group, Inc. said, "We are pleased by the sales and earnings results in the second quarter, which reflected increases of 36.6 percent and 35.3 percent, respectively. These results were achieved despite a continuing unsettled retail climate. Furthermore, some shipments of denim jeanswear, scheduled to ship at the end of the second quarter, were deferred into the third quarter by certain accounts. In light of these conditions, the company plans to focus its efforts during the balance of the year and thereafter, to improve its capital productivity, including reduction of inventory."

On June 12, 1990, Gitano successfully completed a public offering of 1.95 million shares of common stock, of which 1.65 million shares were offered by the company and 300,000 shares were offered by certain of the company's principal stockholders. The offering raised approximately $56 million for the company, which proceeds were used for the reduction of short-term and stockholder debt, resulting in increased working capital.

The Gitano Group, Inc. is a marketer, designer and manufacturer of branded

apparel sold under the Gitano and Gloria Vanderbilt trademarks. Diversified product lines include women's jeanswear, sportswear, swimwear and intimate apparel in junior, missy, maternity and plus sizes as well as men's and children's jeanswear and sportswear. Gitano brand products are sold primarily through mass merchants and discounters throughout the U.S. at an average retail price of under $20. The company's Gloria Vanderbilt and Regatta product lines are sold primarily through department and specialty stores. Gitano operates 78 company- owned retail locations selling Gitano products exclusively. Headquartered in Manhattan, Gitano has 14 foreign offices and owns factories in the United States, the Caribbean basin and Central America, and manages a network of manufacturers and suppliers in over 40 countries throughout the world.

CONTACT: Stan Greenstein, CFO, 201-248-1220 or Gustave Birnberg, senior vice president, 212-564-6100, both of Gitano Group

-30- 3286

#90222p4116 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, FL (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Goldfield Corporation (AMEX: GV) announced today net income of $985,685 ($.03 per share) for the six month period ended June 30, 1990, compared to net income of $1,380,359 ($.05 per share) for the like period in 1989. Total revenue for the 1990 period was $8,824,106, compared to $9,356,616 for the 1989 period. Net income of $174,739 ($.01 per share) was reported for the three month period ended June 30, 1990, compared to $330,737 ($.01 per share) for the like period in 1989.

Goldfield's mining operations had higher operating profits during the six and three month periods ended June 30, 1990 than the like 1989 period, as income from the Getchell gold and Harlan coal royalties and deliveries of concentrates from St. Cloud Mining Company's Midnight mine more than offset the reduced income resulting from the conclusion of St. Cloud's joint venture with Cyprus Metals Company.

In the six month period ended June 30, 1990, the mining operations had revenue of $3,267,151 and an operating profit of $1,661,010, compared to $4,499,319 and $1,512,975 respectively, for the like period in 1989. For the three month period ended June 30, 1990 mining revenue was $825,725 and an operating profit of $441,689, compared to $2,217,968 and $339,515 respectively, for the like three month period in 1989. Operating profits included mining royalties of $897,257 and $446,048 for the six and three month periods ended June 30, 1990, respectively. No royalty income was recognized during the 1989 periods as these royalties were acquired in December 1989.

Southeast Power Corporation, the company's electrical construction subsidiary, in the six month period ended June 30, 1990 had contract

revenue of $4,519,705 and an operating profit of $239,158, compared to $4,785,870 and $602,345 respectively, for the like period in 1989. For the three month period ended June 30, 1990, contract revenue was $2,291,644 and operating profit was $163,740, compared to $2,582,849 and $411,002 respectively, for the like three month period in 1989. The 1990 operating profit was lower due primarily to increased workers' compensation and group health insurance costs.

Goldfield is engaged in the business of mining base and precious metals and electrical construction. It also owns royalty interests in gold and coal properties.

CONTACT: John H. Sottile of The Goldfield Corporation, 407-724-1700

-30- 2633

#90222p4117 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - George M. King, general manager of Eastman Kodak Company's (NYSE: EK) Latin American Region, was elected a company vice president today by the Kodak board of directors.

King, 53, became regional general manager on July 30, following seven years as head of Kodak's subsidiary in Brazil. He also has held managerial positions for the company in Panama, Chile, Colombia, and Venezuela, and he has served in Rochester as a business and strategic planner. He joined Kodak in 1962.

A native of Sacramento, Calif., King received a BA degree at the University of Pacific and a BS degree in international business at the American Institute for Foreign Trade. He also attended a Management Development Program at Harvard University Graduate School.

CONTACT: John LaBella of Eastman Kodak Company, 716-724-5130

-30- 1019

#90222p4120 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WORCESTER, MA (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The trustees of State Mutual Securities Trust (NYSE: SMS) on Aug. 10, 1990 declared a quarterly dividend of 26 cents per share payable Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 31, 1990.

SMS Trust, a closed-end diversified management investment company, was organized in 1973. Its primary investment objective is to provide a high rate of current income for distribution to shareholders. The company invests primarily in fixed-income securities. Its shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange with the symbol SMS.

CONTACT: John W. Bosselman, III, vice president of State Mutual Securities Trust, 508-856-0110, ext. 2778

-30- 885

#90222p4121 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

JASPER, IN (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Kimball International (NASDAQ: KBALB) reported that sales and net income set records in fiscal 1990. Douglas A. Habig, president, said profits in the year ended June 30 increased at a much higher rate than sales because of improved efficiency and larger income from cash investments compared to last year.

Net income climbed 27 percent to $43,475,000, or $2.05 per share of Class B common stock, from the prior year's $34,299,000, or $1.62 per Class B share. Sales grew three percent to $612,956,000 from the year-earlier $595,005,000. Income from cash investments was approximately three times higher than last year.

In the fourth quarter, sales declined three percent while net income increased 15 percent over the strong performance in the last three months of the previous year.

Sales were $152,344,000, compared with $156,933,000 in the prior year's same period. Net income rose to $11,765,000, or 55 cents per Class B share from $10,150,000, or 48 cents per Class B share, in the year-earlier quarter.

As during the year, higher fourth quarter earnings reflected efficiency gains and larger income from cash investments, Habig said. The quarter's income also was improved by a downward adjustment of the LIFO inventory reserve, increasing net income by $399,000. This resulted from inventory quantities and cost at year end being lower than was forecast at March 31, 1990.

For fiscal 1990, the Office Furniture Divisions increased total sales and income in an industry that had negligible growth. Income in the previous year was negatively affected by costs associated with developing and introducing new products.

Artec and National Office Furniture posted higher sales than the previous year. Sales of Artec's Cetra office furniture system increased strongly, continuing the momentum that began in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Healthcare furniture sales grew substantially, and operating results were much improved, although still at a loss.

In the Cabinet & Furniture Division, sales and income were down from the prior year. Habig said results were hurt by a downturn in TV cabinet business, particularly in console cabinets. Although sales and income

continued to decline in the fourth quarter, orders increased late in the period.

Sales of hospitality furniture were at a record level for the year, and high order rates in the fourth quarter indicate continued growth, Habig said. Kimball Furniture Reproductions had a fourth straight year of record sales and profits.

CONTACT: Gary Beckman of Kimball International, (812) 482-1600.

-30- 2832

#90222p4122 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAKLAND, NJ (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Russ Berrie and Company Inc. (NYSE: RUS) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per common share, payable on Sept. 11, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Aug. 24, 1990.

CONTACT: A. Curts Cooke, president and chief operating officer of Russ Berrie and Company, 201-337-9000, or Jim Goldman, 212-661-8030, or Susanna McNeil, 312-266-7800, both of the Financial Relations Board, for Russ Berrie and Company

-30- 664

#90222p4124 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Telemundo Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: TLMD) today reported operating income of $648,000 for the three months ended June 30, 1990 as compared to an operating loss of $335,000 for the same period last year. The operating loss was $4.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 1990 as compared to an operating loss of $6.9 million for the same period last year. Commercial air time revenues for the company's continental U.S. operations increased 28 percent for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990 over the corresponding periods of the prior year, reflecting Telemundo's increased market coverage and improved ratings.

The company reported a net loss of $9.2 million ($.30 per share) for the second quarter of 1990, compared with a net loss of $10.6 million ($.63 per share) in the same period last year. For the first six months of 1990 the net loss was $24.0 million ($.77 per share), as compared to a net loss of $27.8 million ($1.65 per share) for the 1989 six-month period. The average number of shares outstanding during the current quarter was 31,141,000 compared to 16,843,000 last year.

Chairman and chief executive officer Saul P. Steinberg commented, "We continued to enjoy solid growth in commercial air time sales in the continental United States, resulting from our network's increased market

coverage and improved ratings. We are also optimistic that the future operating results of WKAQ in Puerto Rico will show improvement, further enhancing the company's overall performance. In addition, our financial position has been significantly strengthened by the recent issuance of an additional six million shares of common stock."

Telemundo, headquartered in New York City, is a Spanish-language television network operating in the continental United States. The company serves 37 U.S. markets through its owned and operated stations and its affiliates, reaching approximately 78 percent of all U.S. Hispanic households. The company also owns and operates WKAQ, the dominant television station in Puerto Rico and its related production facility. Programming produced at Telemundo's production facilities in Florida and Puerto Rico is syndicated by the company to international markets.

TELEMUNDO GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

Period ended:	Three Months	
June 30:	1990	1989 Revenues:
Commercial air time - net	$29,494,000	$26,424,000
Other	3,574,000	3,358,000
Total	33,068,000	29,782,000
Operating income (loss)	648,000	(335,000)
Other expense - net	--	(147,000)
Interest expense - net	(9,076,000)	(9,874,000)
Income tax provision	(788,000)	(209,000)
Net loss	(9,216,000)	(10,565,000)
Net loss per common share	$(.30)	$(.63)
Avg. number of com. shares outstg.	31,141,000	16,843,000

Period ended:	Six Months	
June 30:	1990	1989 Revenues:
Commercial air time - net	$51,377,000	$45,844,000
Other	6,502,000	6,413,000
Total	57,879,000	52,257,000
Operating income (loss)	(4,299,000)	(6,930,000)
Other expense - net	--	(315,000)
Interest expense - net	(18,122,000)	(19,651,000)
Income tax provision	(1,542,000)	(895,000)
Net loss	(23,963,000)	(27,791,000)
Net loss per common share	$(.77)	$(1.65)
Avg. number of com. shares outstg.	31,042,000	16,843,000

CONTACT: Peter J. Housman II of Telemundo Group, 212-492-5550, or Roanne M. Kulakoff of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655 for Telemundo Group

-30- 4254

#90222p4129 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines announced today it established two all-time single-day traffic records yesterday for passengers boarded and for revenue passenger miles (RPMs) flown.

United boarded 225,920 revenue passengers Thursday, surpassing the previous mark of 220,850 set Aug. 2, 1990.

United also flew 285,311,431 revenue passenger miles, eclipsing the old record of 281,987,554 also set Aug. 2. A revenue passenger mile is one revenue-paying customer flown one mile.

"The flying public has recognized our superior service and is responding to our expanded domestic and international flight schedules this summer by filling the seats of our aircraft," said John C. Pope, executive vice president marketing and planning.

"Also, I would like to salute the more than 73,000 men and women of United Airlines in this country and overseas who are handling the sharply increased volume of customers while continuing to provide a high level of service," Pope said.

CONTACT: Rob Doughty, 708-952-4195; Joe Hopkins, 708-952-5770; or Sara Dornacker, 708-952-6561, all of United Airlines

-30- 1270
#90222p4131 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Deluxe Corporation (NYSE: DLX) today increased the regular quarterly dividend from 26 cents per share to 29 cents per share on all outstanding shares of the company. Deluxe has increased the dividend paid to shareholders for 30 consecutive years.

The dividend will be payable on Sept. 4, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 20, 1990.

The company has 84,821,977 shares outstanding with par value of $1.00 per share.

The company also announced that Dr. James J. Renier, chairman and chief executive officer of Honeywell, Inc. (NYSE: HON) was elected to the board of directors. Honeywell, headquartered in Minneapolis, is the world leader in controls for homes and buildings, industrial process control systems, and systems and controls for commercial aviation. Dr. Renier began his Honeywell career in 1956 and has served as chief executive officer since 1988.

CONTACT: Stuart Alexander, vice president-corporate public relations,

612-483-7358, or Charles M. Osborne, senior vice president and chief financial officer, 612-483-7355, both of Deluxe

-30- 1308

#90222p4133 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NUTTING LAKE, MASS. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Devices, Inc. reported losses of $137,000 and $164,000 for the quarter and six months ended June 1990 vs. earnings of $11,000 and $27,000 for the quarter and six months ended June 1989. Total revenue amounted to $762,000 and $1,736,000, respectively, for the 1990 periods vs. $699,000 and $1,464,000 for 1989.

Operating expenses during 1990 and 1989 include research and development expenses which were directly related to the operations of NeuroTherapeutics, Inc., a development-stage company acquired in January 1989. These expenses amounted to $120,000 and $223,000, respectively, for the 1990 periods vs. $74,000 and $123,000 for 1989.

COMPUTER DEVICES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Comparative Consolidated Summary of Income
(000s omitted except for per share amounts)

	Three months ended June		Six months ended June	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$762	$699	$1,736	$1,464
Cost of revenues	441	433	1,010	891
Gross margin	321	266	726	573
Operating expense	489	298	953	637
Operating profit (loss)	(168)	(32)	(227)	(64)
Interest and other income	31	48	63	104
Income (loss) before taxes	(137)	16	(164)	40
Provision for taxes	---	5	---	13
Net income (loss)	$(137)	$11	$(164)	27
Net income (loss) per share	(4 cents)	---	(5 cents)	1 cent
Average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	3,350	5,198	3,338	5,150

CONTACT: William Connors of Computer Devices, Inc., 508-663-4980

-30- 2146

#90222p4135 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Turner Corporation (AMEX: TUR), the nation's leading general builder, today predicted a moderate increase in construction costs for the third quarter of 1990.

According to the Turner Building Cost Index released today, construction costs during the third quarter will rise approximately 0.9 percent to 443, four points above the predicted level for the second quarter of 1990. Compared to the third quarter of 1989, construction costs for the third quarter of this year are 3.5 percent higher, up from 428 points.

"The four-point change reflects our prediction that in the third quarter the construction industry will be seeing more of the same as in recent quarters," commented Leslie V. Shute, Turner vice president responsible for calculating the Turner Building Cost Index. "Our third-quarter index excludes any potential effect of this past week's events in the Middle East."

Turner has made its quarterly forecast for more than 50 years. Used widely by the construction industry and federal and state governments, the building costs and price trends tracked by the Turner Building Cost Index may or may not reflect regional conditions in any given quarter. Regional conditions often vary from composite national trends.

Based in New York City, the Turner Corporation, through Turner Construction Company and other construction subsidiaries, is the nation's largest diversified builder of commercial, industrial, hospital and health care, institutional, government, building and multi-unit housing projects.

Operating through more than 35 offices, Turner has construction projects underway throughout the United States and abroad. During 1989, the Turner Corporation put in place approximately $3.6 billion of new construction.

CONTACT: Beverly A. Benn of the Turner Corporation, (212) 878-0498.

-30- 2059

#90222p4139 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - PR NEWSWIRE, the world's foremost press relations wire, has introduced "CalFax," a high-speed broadcast facsimile service which expands PRN's electronic reach to more than 275 newspaper, television and radio outlets in the Golden State.

"In addition to our statewide wire circuit which reaches all major dailies and the leading radio and television stations, we found there was a need to provide even more comprehensive coverage of media in the state," explained PR NEWSWIRE Senior Vice President John Williams.

"We surveyed our clients and then approached the news editors at 100 additional locations to confirm that they would accept PRN copy via facsimile. The response was positive and we married our wire to our internal facsimile transmission system to produce what we now term CalFax.

It works and our clients and the media seem pleased," Williams added.

The PR NEWSWIRE executive said the comprehensive coverage is particularly attractive to customers needing more extensive local media penetration. State agencies, utilities, local governments and companies with stories of local or regional interest have found the extended immediate reach of PRN extremely useful, he added.

PR NEWSWIRE, headquartered in New York, has offices in 21 U.S. cities including five in California. The firm pioneered the electronic distribution of news releases in 1954 and is the leader in the field.

CONTACT: John Williams, senior vice president of PR NEWSWIRE, 800-832-5522 or 212-832-9400, ext. 745

-30- 1717

#90222p4140 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Reading & Bates Corporation (NYSE: RB) is pleased to announce that William B. Sturgill has been appointed as a member of the company's board of directors. Sturgill is president of Golden Oak Mining Company, Lexington, Ky. In addition, he is president of East Kentucky Investment Co., Inc. and a director of First Security Corporation, First Security National Bank & Trust Co. and CSX Corporation. He also serves as a member of the University of Kentucky board of trustees.

Sturgill earned a Bachelor of Science degree in political science at the University of Kentucky and has been awarded an Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree by the University.

Reading & Bates Corporation, a New York Stock Exchange listed company, engages in offshore drilling throughout the world and provides engineering services and equipment for water treatment systems.

CONTACT: M.H. McMahon, treasurer of Reading & Bates Corporation, 713-496-5000

-30- 1143

#90222p4142 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today announced it intends to offer yen ten billion five-year, dual currency Japanese yen/Australian dollar debentures on Thursday, Aug. 16, in Tokyo. This will be the company's fifth offering in the domestic Japanese bond market.

The dual currency debentures will be issued in fully registered form. They

will have a maturity of five years and will pay interest annually in Australian dollars, with principal payable in Japanese yen.

The lead manager of the offering will be The Nomura Securities Co., Ltd., which is expected to form the syndicate. The chief commissioned company, a role similar to a fiscal agent, will be the Long Term Credit Bank of Japan Ltd.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

CONTACT: Lisa Haas of Fannie Mae, (202) 752-7124.

-30- 1155

#90222p4145 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT COLLINS, CO (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Atrix Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ: ATRX) announced that a registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission for new warrants became effective Aug. 8, 1990. The new warrants are exchangeable for 646,875 outstanding warrants issued in 1987 to investors in Vipont Royalty Income Fund Ltd. Officials of Atrix said the new warrants will be immediately exchangeable for the existing warrants. The exchange period and the new warrants will expire on Oct. 12, 1990. Investors exercising their warrants by the expiration date are expected to receive their Atrix stock by Oct. 22, 1990.

The new warrants may be exercised immediately at $2 on a one-for-one basis for Atrix Laboratories common stock. Holders of the existing warrants will receive in mid-August information about the new warrants.

Atrix Laboratories is a research and manufacturing company specializing in the development and production of therapeutic drug products for treating periodontal disease. In addition, the company's polymeric drug delivery system offers applications in the delivery of a broad range of drugs in the general medical and veterinary fields. Colgate-Palmolive will be the exclusive global distributor of the company's Periodontal disease product. Atrix common stock is listed on the National Association of Securities Dealer Automated Quotation System (NASDAQ) under the trading symbol, ATRX.

CONTACT: Neal Amarino of Atrix Laboratories Inc., 303-482-5868

-30- 1705

#90222p4147 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William T. McCormick Jr. has been named by the U.S. Department of Energy as a new member to its National Petroleum Council.

The council was created in 1946 to advise the federal government on matters relating to oil and natural gas. McCormick and other natural gas industry executives were added to the panel "specifically for their expertise in natural gas matters," said the Department of Energy.

McCormick will become chairman of the American Gas Association, representing approximately 250 natural gas distribution and transmission companies, this fall.

McCormick, 45, became chairman of Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy, in 1985. Before that, he had been chairman, president and chief executive officer of American Natural Resources Company (ANR), a diversified energy firm.

McCormick previously was vice president for policy analysis and government relations at the American Gas Association and served in several senior positions in the U.S. government, including on the White House staff.

CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS) is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services.

CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth-largest combination utility.

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, (517) 788-2396.

-30- 1872
#90222p4149 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced a decrease in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The decrease of $1.75 per barrel was effective Aug. 9, at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$24.75 for West Texas Intermediate $22.75 for West Texas Sour $24.75 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore)

New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E40. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Sherri Zippay, 415-894-4581, or Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440, both of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

-30- 930

#90222p4150 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - De Rose Industries, Inc. reported net income for the three months ending June 30, 1990 of $74,000 on net sales of $5,598,000 compared to net income of $17,000 on net sales of $4,842,000 for the same period in 1989.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $225,000 on net sales of $16,069,000 compared to a net loss of $48,000 on net sales of $13,159,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

Keith Finley, chairman and CEO, stated that sales at the manufacturing plant in Chambersburg, Pa., remained brisk during the third quarter. This quarter is normally strong year in and year out.

Our raw material suppliers have indicated that while we have enjoyed improved sales over the last year, our competitors sales have slipped slightly. Our projections for the fourth quarter continue to remain on schedule.

As indicated in the second quarter report, we felt that a satisfactory resolution to the Tampa, Fla., situation was a possibility. Recent events seem to indicate that there is a possibility that this situation could be resolved in the fourth quarter. Hopefully, we will have put this behind us going into Fiscal 1991.

Our results for the nine months have been as projected and we remain confident of a satisfactory fourth quarter to achieve our projected annual earnings.

DE ROSE INDUSTRIES, INC. (000s omitted)

Periods ended:	Three months		Nine months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 5,598	$4,842	$16,069	$13,159
Cost of sales	4,992	4,392	13,992	12,003
Gross profit	$ 606	$ 450	$ 2,077	$ 1,156
Selling & admin. expenses	455	310	1,539	832
Costs assoc. with closed plants	22	49	83	178
Income (loss) from opers.	$ 129	$ 91	$ 455	$ 146
Other (income) expenses - net	55	74	230	194
Income (loss) before provision for income taxes	$ 74	$ 17	$ 225	$ (48)
Provision for income taxes:				

Federal	--	--	--	--
Net income (loss)	$ 74	$ 17	$ 225	$ (48)
Per common share (2,950,909 shares outstanding at 6/30/90, 2,950,909 shares outstanding at 6/30/89):				
Net income (loss)-per share	$ 0.03	$ 0.01	$ 0.08	$(0.02)

CONTACT: Rodney A. Christensen, vice president, DeRose Industries, (817) 577-1234 or (817) 237-7205.

-30- 2823

#90222p4152 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Banyan Corp. (AMEX: BYC), formerly The Fur Vault, Inc., today reported its results for the fiscal year ended June 2, 1990, which reflect the loss on the disposition of the retail fur business in May.

Revenues were $65,571,000, excluding revenues of the retail fur business for the second half of the year, compared total revenues of $105,740,000 the prior year. There was a net loss of $31,575,000 or $2.52 per share, including $24,232,000 on the disposition of the company's retail fur business, compared to a net loss of $2,941,000 the prior year, or $.23 per share. The net loss for the year was totally attributable to the company's retail fur business.

For the fourth quarter, revenues decreased to $4,101,000 from $12,326,000 the prior year. The net loss was $6,156,000 or $.49 per share compared to $3,026,000 or $.24 per share the prior year.

The company's Andrew Marc division experienced another year of record growth with revenues of $44,768,000 compared to $31,273,000 the prior year.

The company also reported that it is currently in technical default of certain financial covenants contained in its revolving credit facility but that its banks had extended to Aug. 31, 1990, the date by which the company must have in place a commitment to refinance its working capital requirements beyond the termination of the current revolving credit facility on Oct. 31, 1990. The company is currently engaged in discussions with certain financial institutions concerning this refinancing.

BANYAN CORP.
OPERATING RESULTS

Periods ended:	Three Months		Year Ended	
	6/2/90	6/3/89	6/2/90	6/3/90
Revenues	$4,101,000	$12,326,000	$65,571,000	$105,740,000

Net loss	(6,156,000)	(3,026,000)	(31,575,000)	(2,941,000)
Net loss per share	$(.49)	$(.24)	$(2.52)	$(.23)
Wtd. avg. number of shares outstg.	12,548,000	12,560,000	12,548,000	12,560,000

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RICHARDSON, TX (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Convex Computer Corporation (NYSE: CNX) announced today that the Joint Electronic Warfare Center (JEWC), San Antonio, Texas, has installed a Convex C240 high-speed processor to enhance the responsiveness of the JEWC to short-notice, operational taskings from the Joint Staff and military commanders from around the world.

Co-located with the Electronic Security Command (ESC) at Kelly Air Force Base, the JEWC is comprised of 180 hand-picked, highly qualified men and women from the Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force and civil service.

The military personnel are highly skilled in combat arms specialties such as infantry, artillery, communications, surface warfare intelligence, and aviation.

Civilian employees provide primarily scientific and administrative skills as well as continuity to the work force. Working together, they permit the JEWC to assist operational forces with the dynamic aspects of electronic warfare and bolster our country's national defense.

The Convex system was selected because of its demonstrated performance on the JEWC benchmarks, compatibility with the existing computer environment, and the company's track record of providing cost-effective quality hardware that is easy to maintain.

"The addition of the Convex to the Joint Electronic Warfare Center's computer network gives us the computational performance critical to our assigned mission," said U.S. Army Col. John R. Dickson, vice director, Joint Electronic Warfare Center.

"We will be able to analyze more alternatives faster and with greater fidelity than ever before. We will be able to provide to U.S. soldiers, sailors and airmen the information necessary to win in a complex electronic war."

Convex offers a family of compact, air-cooled, 64-bit computer systems that deliver performance of up to 200 MFLOPS and 224 MIPS as determined by the 32-bit Whetstone benchmark.

The systems in the C Series run an enhanced version of the industry standard UNIX operating system and provide up to two Gigabytes of physical memory complemented by a 200-megabyte-per-second I/O bandwidth.

"This is an important sale for Convex because it shows how our systems continue to be accepted in all areas of national defense such as electronic warfare, armament design, and intelligence gathering," said Steven J. Wallach, Convex senior vice president of technology. "The JEWC required state-of-the-art capabilities with cost-effective systems and Convex high-speed processors met these criteria."

CONTACT: Donna Burke of Convex Computer Corporation, (214) 497-4230 or Sgt. Ed Rasco of Electronic Security Command (ESC), (512) 925-2166.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - HEM Research, Inc., announced today that it had received clearance from the Food and Drug Administration to conduct clinical trials with the drug Ampligen in the treatment of patients who test positive for HIV, the virus that leads to AIDS. Ampligen is a mismatched double stranded from of RNA which has broad anti-viral activities as well as being an immune system modulator, without the severe toxicity and side effects associated with most current AIDS treatments.

The protocol for the double-blind study of HIV-positive patients calls for three study groups of 45 patients each. Ampligen will be administered twice weekly in conjunction with treatment with AZT, the only approved drug for AIDS treatment. The trials are expected to begin in September 1990, with initial results reported in the fall of 1991.

One key measure in the trials will be of the ability of Ampligen to extend significantly the period of time over which a patient can maintain a healthy level of T4 cells, key regulators of the human immune system that are inactivated by the AIDS virus. AZT has been shown to be effective in stabilizing and slightly increasing patients' T4 counts for several months after which T4 counts generally begin declining again. Patients selected for the Ampligen trial will largely include those for whom AZT treatment has run past the point where their T4 levels are being maintained, with the objective being to evaluate Ampligen's ability to prolong T4 stability indefinitely.

Another key measure will be the evaluation of side effects, which with large doses of AZT alone often include severe headaches, gastro-intestinal disorders, and nausea. One of the most striking attributes of Ampligen is its lack of toxicity and side effects even at large doses.

HEM Research, Inc. is a biomedical and pharmaceutical company with executive offices in Philadelphia, and Tavernier, Fla., and a research and development center in Rockville, Md.

CONTACT: Thomas C. Franco or William J. Jenks, 212-742-1282, for HEM Research

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MCLEAN, VA (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Primark Corporation (NYSE,PSE: PMK) reports a loss from continuing operations for the second quarter of 1990 of $336,000, or 2 cents per share.

This loss is composed of $875,000, or 5 cents per share, of start-up costs associated with Primark's new aircraft maintenance and electronic medical claims processing businesses, with Primark's remaining operations contributing income of $539,000, or 3 cents per share. These results compare to income of $1,186,000, or 6 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Primark's income from continuing operations of $102,000 for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, reflects investments in Primark's start-up operations of $1,526,000, or 8 cents per share, which were more than offset by income generated by its remaining operations of $1,628,000, or 8 cents per share. Income from continuing operations for the corresponding 1989 period is $3,096,000, or 16 cents per share.

"We are pleased that our new start-up operations are proceeding on schedule and within budget," said Joseph E. Kasputys, Primark's chairman and chief executive officer. "While our financial services businesses generated good operating profits for Primark, lower access revenues have caused substantial operating losses at Health Information International throughout 1990. We are currently evaluating alternative measures to minimize the effect of future losses of this business."

Primark also realized significant cash flows during the second quarter from a $17,269,000 federal income tax refund, which, along with its existing cash balances, will be used to fund Primark's future growth.

Primark Corporation is a holding company headquartered in McLean which, through its diversified businesses, is primarily engaged in healthcare information, financial and ground transport services.

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#90222p4162 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMSBURY, NJ (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Wedco Technology Inc. (AMEX: WED), a provider of custom processing services and manufacturer of related machinery for the plastics industry, today announced its first quarter operating results for the three-month period ended June 30, 1990.

WEDCO TECHNOLOGY INC.

Three months ended June 30	1990	1989
Net revenues	$6,435,348	$5,685,438
Operating income	721,741	1,024,523
Income before income taxes	267,512	820,616
Net income	178,939	524,097
Net income per common share	$.06	$.16
Average shares outstanding	3,063,775	3,258,176

In commenting on these results, President and Chairman William E. Willoughby stated, "We normally expect operating income to improve proportionately when sales increase by 13 percent. Due to the heavy investment in new plants completed late last year, however, we are incurring certain fixed costs, such as local plant overhead, depreciation and interest costs.

"We anticipate that sales will pick up over the balance of the current fiscal year as a result of these investments, and our operating margins should therefore improve."

CONTACT: Dudley Harman, vice president, or Nicholas Ruitenberg, chief financial officer, of Wedco Technology, (908) 479-4181.

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#90222p4167 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boeing Co. (NYSE: BA) today announced a revised policy that stresses rehabilitation as the cornerstone of its efforts to achieve and maintain a drug- and alcohol-free workplace.

An enhanced Employee Assistance Program is an integral part of the policy, which, in addition to emphasizing rehabilitation and employee education, also contains provisions for drug testing.

The details of the program, including employee drug and alcohol testing, are subject to continued discussion between the company and the unions that represent Boeing employees.

Boeing Vice President - Human Resources Larry McKean said, "Maintaining a drug- and alcohol-free workplace is not only critically important to the health, safety and well-being of every Boeing employee, it is without argument the right thing to do. Drug and alcohol abuse is a nationwide

problem. We have a responsibility to provide all employees with a workplace that is free from these substances."

Employees who voluntarily disclose a drug- or alcohol-abuse problem or who test positive for drugs will be referred to the company's Employee Assistance Program so they can be given professional counseling, rehabilitation, and follow-up care.

Those who voluntarily enter a drug treatment program and fail a follow-up drug test will receive another chance for rehabilitation. Failure to pass a subsequent drug test would result in job termination.

The Boeing policy regarding the buying or selling of drugs on company property remains unchanged. Employees who buy or sell drugs on company business or on company property will lose their jobs.

Bob DeLappe, Boeing director of personnel, said, "Although illegal drugs receive major attention, alcohol is probably the more prevalently abused substance. Consequently, the revised Boeing policy addresses both drug and alcohol abuse."

He noted that in addition to drugs and alcohol the Boeing Employee Assistance Program is designed to accommodate employees with marital and family problems, mental health concerns, and financial difficulties.

Any employee will be subject to drug and alcohol tests in cases where there is reasonable suspicion of drug or alcohol use, or as part of an investigation of on-the-job accidents. Employees who have failed a previous drug test will also be subject to follow-up testing.

CONTACT: In Seattle, Russ Young, (206) 655-6123, or in Wichita, Dick Ziegler, (316) 526-3153, both of The Boeing Co.

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#90222p4170 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - American Express Company (NYSE: AXP), and Shearson Lehman today announced that Shearson Lehman stockholders have approved the American Express acquisition of all of the publicly held common shares of Shearson Lehman.

Stockholders also approved the conversion by American Express of $750 million of its Shearson Lehman preferred stock into common stock. The merger of a wholly owned subsidiary of American Express with Shearson Lehman and the conversion of the preferred stock became effective this morning. Stockholders will receive 0.48 of an American Express common share for each share of Shearson Lehman common stock they hold.

American Express also received $300 million upon the closing of its previously announced agreement with Nippon Life Insurance Company. Under the agreement, Nippon Life purchased 9,876,543 American Express common shares, and certain of Nippon Life's investment arrangements were restructured.

CONTACT: Lawrence A, Armour, (212) 640-4749, or Toni Maloney, (212) 640-3487, both of American Express.

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#90222p4171 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - CPC-Rexcel Inc. (NASDAQ: CPST) today reported an increase in net earnings and net earnings per share, despite a decline in sales for the second quarter 1990.

Net earnings for the period were $94,697, up from $5,869 in the second quarter 1989. Net earnings per share for the second quarter were 2 cents compared with 0 cents per share in the like 1989 period. Net sales for the second quarter were $14,027,096, down 8 percent compared with $15,253,813 in the second quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net earnings were $298,578, up from $11,198 for the like period in 1989. Earnings per share for the first six months of 1990 were 7 cents compared with 0 cents per share for the like 1989 period. Sales for the first six months were $28,415,822, a decline of 1 percent from $28,577,589 for the like period in 1989.

Gerald G. Burnett, president of CPC-Rexcel, attributed the increase in earnings to better margins and improved manufacturing efficiencies.

"Second quarter sales were affected by soft market conditions in the cultured dairy segments of our business, believed to be caused by high milk prices," Burnett said. "In addition, sales were negatively influenced by start-up delays with our new cold drink cup products, although orders booked were at record high levels."

CPC-Rexcel designs, manufactures and markets plastic containers for cultured dairy, yogurt and other food products. The company's stock is traded over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol CPST.

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ALEXANDRIA, VA. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Essex Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS:

ESEX) announced today that Frank N. Kirby has been appointed vice president and general manager of the company's Space & Defense Division (SDD) headquartered in Huntsville, Ala.

Kirby has substantial experience with large and small companies in managing engineering and manufacture of communications equipment, missile systems and training and simulation systems.

Dr. Harry Letaw Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Essex Corporation stated: "Frank Kirby is a highly skilled and knowledgeable manager. We are gaining real dividends in quality and efficiency from his efforts in precision equipment for Naval Coastal System Center and in payload training equipment and support for astronauts and mission specialists in key space programs."

Essex Corporation designs and manufactures systems, and ultra-speed digital-optical processors, and supplies products and support for aerospace, training, information, electronic and military systems.

CONTACT: Harry Letaw Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, Essex Corporation, 703-548-4500

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#90222p4182 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILKES-BARRE, PA. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Franklin First Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: FFFC) previously announced that the repurchase up to 10 percent of its common stock had been authorized by the board of directors subject to regulatory approval.

Approval now has been received for an initial purchase of up to 5 percent of such stock (238,423 shares) in the next six months. The shares may be purchased in an open market repurchase program or through private purchases. The company said it expects to begin the repurchase shortly. Any such repurchases will be made in accordance with limitations relating to issuer purchases under applicable securities and banking laws.

Franklin First Financial Corp.'s common stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol "FFFC." The price of its stock at the close of business on Aug. 9, 1990, was $9.375. Franklin First Financial Corp. is headquartered in Wilkes-Barre. Its sole subsidiary, Franklin First Federal Savings Bank, is a federally chartered, federally insured savings bank which conducts operations throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania through 19 full-service offices and two lending centers.

CONTACT: Robert H. Andrew of Franklin First Financial, 717-821-7135

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#90222p4183 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Starting Sept. 23, "Glory Days" can be seen Thursday nights at 9 p.m. on Fox Television, according to Patrick Hasburgh, creator and executive producer.

"Glory Days," the one-hour ensemble drama starring Brad Pitt, Spike Alexander, Nicholas Kallsen, and Evan Mirand moves from its previous time slot, Wednesdays at 8 p.m.

The series, which premiered July 25, centers around the lives of four best friends who take diverse paths after high school graduation. "Glory Days" focuses on those critical years when values are determined and lifestyles are formed.

"Glory Days" is a production of Patrick Hasburgh Productions Inc. for Fox Television. Worldwide distribution is exclusively through Orion Television Entertainment.

CONTACT: Pam Golum or Kristy Salata of The Lippin Group-LA, (213) 965-1990; or Jill Lambert of The Lippin Group-NY, (212) 986-7080, for Patrick Hasburgh Productions Inc.

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#90222p4188 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Sonat Inc. (NYSE: SNT) announced today that it filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission providing for the issuance of LYONs having a face value at maturity of $575 million and convertible into Sonat common shares. The LYONs are zero coupon, subordinated notes and will mature 15 years from the date of issue. The offering will be made through Merrill Lynch Capital Markets, as underwriter.

The proceeds of the issue are expected to be approximately $200 million and will be used for general corporate purposes, including the repayment of indebtedness.

Sonat Inc., headquartered in Birmingham, Ala., is a worldwide energy company involved in natural gas transmission and marketing, oil and gas exploration and production, and oil services.

The registration statement relating to the notes has not yet become effective, and the notes may not be sold, nor may offers be accepted prior to such effectiveness. Copies of the preliminary prospectus relating to the notes may be obtained from Merrill Lynch Capital Markets.

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Inc.

CONTACT: Thomas W. Barker Jr. of Sonat, 205-325-3586

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#90222p4193 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MADISON, WIS. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Madison Gas and Electric Co. (MGE) (NASDAQ: MDSN) today reported earnings for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $0.32 per share, compared with $0.20 earned in the same quarter a year ago. Earnings for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were $1.11 per share, compared with $1.10 earned in the comparable six-month period a year ago. The 12-month earnings for the periods ended June 30 were $2.93 per share this year versus $2.91 last year.

Revenues in the June 30 quarter just ended were $45.0 million compared with $41.5 million a year ago. Revenues in the first half of this year were $110.8 million, compared with $111.8 million in the same year-ago period.

"The second-quarter earnings rise reflects increases in both the number of electric customers and the usage of electricity by all customers," said G. Howard Phipps, senior vice president-finance. "In the first half of 1990, the increase in electric revenues was offset by a decrease in gas revenues. The mild first-quarter weather and the company's continued success at purchasing gas at lower prices, which are passed along to its customers, affected the decrease in gas revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990."

MGE is a public utility engaged in generation and transmission of electric energy and in its distribution over 250 square miles in Dane County. The company also distributes and transports natural gas through 962 square miles in Dane, Columbia and Iowa Counties.

MADISON GAS AND ELECTRIC CO.
(Unaudited)

Periods Ended	Second Quarter		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating revenue	$44,954,000	$41,475,000	$110,834,000	$111,797,000
Operating income	5,737,000	4,875,000	14,633,000	14,250,000
Net income	2,367,000	1,496,000	8,036,000	7,783,000
Average shares outstanding	6,996,966	6,842,188	6,976,478	6,823,452
Share earnings	$0.32	$0.20	$1.11	$1.10

12 Months Ended June 30,	1990	1989
Operating revenue	$216,625,000	$215,927,000
Operating income	33,989,000	32,106,000
Net income	20,849,000	20,287,000

Average shares outstanding	6,935,951	6,773,845
Share earnings	$2.93	$2.91

CONTACT: G.H. Phipps, senior vice president of Madison Gas, 608-252-7000, or Hal Bergen or Sharon Peters, both of Ruder Finn, 312-644-8600, for Madison Gas

-30- 2747

#90222p4194 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, ID (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Morrison Knudsen Corp. (MK) (NYSE: MRN) announced today the election of Joseph G. Fearon to chairman of the company's Rail Systems Group and the appointment of Thomas J. Smith as president and chief executive officer of the group.

Smith was formerly senior vice president of manufacturing operations for Fokker Aircraft BV in Amsterdam, Holland. He had direct responsibility for all aspects of manufacturing, assembly and delivery of Fokker commercial jets, turboprops and fighters. Previously he was president of Fairchild Aircraft Corp., Mooney Aircraft Corp. and worked for Grumman Aircraft Corp. on the space program. He has a 30-year work experience primarily in the area of managing manufacturing operations.

Fearon is a 27-year veteran of the company and pioneered MK's entry into the rail systems market. William M. Agee, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Morrison Knudsen, said, "Under Joe Fearon's marketing talents this group has seen the backlog grow to approximately $1 billion. He will continue to give excellent leadership for all domestic and international marketing and customer development programs.

"Joe Fearon and Tom Smith will provide the Rail Systems Group with an experienced, strong leadership team at a time when this operating group is undergoing significant growth," said Agee. "Tom's strong background in industrial manufacturing operations will strengthen and enhance the Rail Systems Group's locomotive and transit car manufacturing operations."

MK's Rail Systems Group is headquartered at Boise and has manufacturing complexes at Boise; Hornell, N.Y.; and Mountaintop, Penn. The group remanufactures railroad transit cars and freight locomotives and is now the only U.S.-owned manufacturer of new transit cars.

Morrison Knudsen Corp. is an engineering, design, environmental, construction, rail systems and mining company.

CONTACT: Jess Hawley of Morrison Knudsen Corp., 208-386-8000

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#90222p4195 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Cadence Design Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: CDNC) today announced that it has applied for listing of its securities on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) and expects to be listed on the "Big Board" by mid-September. The company's stock has traded on the NASDAQ National Market System since June 1987.

Joseph B. Costello, president and chief executive officer of Cadence, said "We're extremely pleased to announce our move to the NYSE, scheduled for mid-September 1990. Our listing on the Big Board is a significant milestone for Cadence, recognizing the growth of the electronics design automation industry and Cadence's keystone position in the industry's bright future." Costello concluded, "The listing will enhance Cadence's access to international capital markets, increase opportunities for a more diversified shareholder base and further enhance liquidity in the company's shares."

Cadence Design Systems Inc. is a leader in the design, development and marketing of software solutions for the design of integrated circuits and electronic systems. Cadence operates throughout the United States, Europe and Asia. The company, headquartered in San Jose, is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol CDNC.

CONTACT: Leonard J. LeBlanc of Cadence, 408-943-1234, ext. 7345

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#90222p4197 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Asset Investors Corp. (NYSE: AIC) today announced its net income for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990 was $7,046,000 or 51 cents per share, and $15,279,000 or $1.10 per share respectively. Federal taxable income during these periods was $7,100,000 or 51 cents per share, and $14,900,000 or $1.07 per share, respectively (all based on 13,892,000 weighted average shares outstanding). Net income for the three and six months ended June 30, 1989 was $965,000 or 7 cents per share, and $4,250,000 or 31 cents per share, respectively.

As a real estate investment trust, Asset Investors' dividends are based on taxable income calculated under the Internal Revenue Code and not on net income computed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. On June 30, 1990, the company paid a second quarter dividend of 45 cents per share increasing total dividends paid through the first half of 1990 to 90 cents per share.

Net and taxable income for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990 continues to benefit from lower short-term interest rates. Short-term interest rates, specifically the average London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), upon which all of the company's variable rate CMO debt is based

averaged 8.36 percent and 8.43 percent for one-month and three-month LIBOR, respectively, for the six months ended June 30, 1990. This was 134 and 137 basis points lower than the rates during the comparable periods in 1989. Other factors resulting in increased income in 1990 over 1989 included lower short-term interest expense due both to lower interest rates and reduced borrowings and a reduction of over 50 percent in general and administrative expenses, although partially offset by larger management incentive fees resulting from the company's increased profitability.

The company also announced the cancellation of its remaining interest rate swap agreements as a part of an on-going effort to strengthen its liquidity position. The cancellation of these swap agreements reduced the company's floating rate exposure tied to LIBOR by $90 million to $844 million, a reduction of approximately 10 percent. Through Aug. 8, 1990, the company has reduced its short-term debt on its bank line and repurchase agreements by 41 percent to $35 million, from $59 million at Dec. 31, 1989.

Asset Investors is a real estate investment trust that generates income primarily from a portfolio of ownership interests in issuances of collateralized mortgage obligations and other mortgage-related assets.

ASSET INVESTORS CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Summary of Financial Results
(In thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$170,769	$185,266	$345,787	$376,088
Net income	$7,046	$965(1)	$15,279	$4,250(1)
Net income per share	$.51	$.07(1)	$1.10	$.31(1)
Dividends paid per share	.45	.25	.90	.71
Weighted average shares outstanding	13,892	13,892	13,892	13,892

(1) Net of a carrying amount adjustment of $2,400 (or 20 cents per share) and $5,200 (or 37 cents per share) for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990, respectively.

CONTACT: Spencer I. Browne or Michael H. Feinstein both of Asset Investors Corp., 303-793-2703

#90222p4198 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PEORIA, IL (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Caterpillar Financial Services Corp. today announced second quarter 1990 financial results. Caterpillar Financial Services is a wholly owned subsidiary of Caterpillar Inc. (NYSE: CAT).

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP.

Second Quarter ended June 30:	1990	1989	Percent change
Revenues	$ 65.4	$ 51.0	plus 28 percent
Profit	$ 5.6	$ 4.7	plus 19 percent

First Six months ended June 30:	1990	1989	Percent Change
Revenues	$126.9	$97.6	plus 30 percent
Profit	$ 12.5	$8.9	plus 40 percent
New business acquired	632.4	471.2	plus 34 percent
Portfolio value	$ 1,926.3	$ 1,514.5	plus 27 percent

Revenues increased as higher business volume significantly added to the level of earning assets. This resulted from greater dealer and customer use of financing and continued focus on the delivery of exceptional customer service.

Profits increased as a result of higher business volume and earning assets. Also contributing was a lower cost of debt compared with a year ago.

In its second-quarter report released today, Caterpillar Financial Services Corp. announced record revenues, profit, and new business volume for the second quarter and first half of 1990.

Revenues for the quarter reached $65.4 million, a $14.4 million or 28 percent increase over the same period last year. Profit after tax rose to $5.6 million, a 19 percent increase over the second quarter of 1989.

New business financed reached $632.4 million, a 34 percent increase compared with the first six months of 1989.

Total assets also grew substantially, reaching $1.96 billion from $1.53 billion a year ago. Return on average assets increased from 1.2 percent in the first half of 1989 to 1.4 percent year-to-date 1990.

"This solid financial performance year-to-date is a result of greater dealer and customer use of our financing options, and our continued focus on the delivery of exceptional customer service," said James S. Beard, vice president of Caterpillar Inc. and president of Caterpillar Financial Services Corp. "Revenues and profits increased as additional business volume added significantly to our level of earning assets."

Caterpillar Financial Services provides a wide range of financing

alternatives for Caterpillar earthmoving and construction equipment, lift trucks, engines, turbines, and related products sold through Caterpillar dealers in the United States, Canada, and Australia.

Additional information included in the second quarter report: Through the first six months of 1990, profit after tax reached $12.5 million, a 40 percent increase over the same period a year ago.

The number of customers increased by 21 percent to 16,614. The portfolio value increased to $1.93 billion from $1.51 billion.

Caterpillar Financial Services Corp. is headquartered in Peoria, and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Caterpillar.

CONTACT: R. E. Stober of Caterpillar Financial, 309-675-5548

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#90222p4199 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Maynard Oil Co. (NASDAQ: MOIL) reported second quarter earnings of $470,779, or nine cents per share, on revenues of $5,337,970, compared with net income of $391,207, or seven cents per share, on revenues of $4,395,617 for the same period in 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company earned $1,150,528, or 21 cents per share, on revenues of $11,161,878, compared with net income of $921,758, or 17 cents per share, on revenues of $8,498,086 through the first half of last year.

Maynard Oil Co. is engaged in the exploration, development and production of oil and natural gas in the United States. In addition, the company's wholly-owned subsidiary, BDK Drilling company, provides contract drilling services in South Texas. The company's common stock is traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol MOIL.

Second Quarter Ended	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Revenues	$ 5,337,970	$ 4,395,617
Net Income (Loss)	470,779	391,207
Earnings (Loss) Per Share	$.09	$.07
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	5,354,849	5,353,860
Six Months Ended	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Revenues	$11,161,878	$ 8,498,086
Net Income (Loss)	1,150,528	921,758
Earnings (loss) Per Share	$.21	$.17
Weighted Average		

Shares Outstanding	5,354,357	5,353,860

CONTACT: Glenn R. Moore of Maynard Oil Co., 214-891-8880

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#90222p4203 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Monsanto Company (NYSE: MTC) and Golden Hope Plantations Berhad of Malaysia today jointly announced the signing of an agreement in principle to form a joint venture in Southeast Asia.

This joint venture will focus on the manufacture of thermoplastic elastomers (TPEs) based on natural rubber utilizing Monsanto's patented TPE technology and Golden Hope's natural rubber technology and management capability. Both companies see this venture as significant step in building this exciting class of TPE materials.

The joint venture is subject to appropriate government approvals as well as the execution of definitive agreements by both companies, with formation targeted for early in 1991. Manufacturing operations are expected to start up in the latter half of 1992.

TPEs are a diverse family of cost-effective, high-performance rubberlike materials that, unlike conventional vulcanized rubber products, can be easily processed and recycled.

TPEs are used in engineered industrial rubber and soft plastic applications in the automotive, medical, food, electrical, construction, appliance, business machine, and other industries.

"The alliance with Golden Hope," stated John L. Tuley, vice president and general manager of Monsanto Chemical Company's plastics division and elastomers business group, "will combine Monsanto's technology and knowhow in natural rubber-based TPEs with Golden Hope's expertise in natural rubber production ranging from agronomic techniques through the processing of the rubber latex. We believe this synergy can lead to the development of a variety of unique natural rubber TPEs with significant performance advantages," added Tuley.

Echoing similar sentiments on the proposed venture, Abdul Rahman Ramli, group chief executive of Golden Hope, added, "The proposed venture is indeed very strategic to the overall development of the rubber-based industry, particularly in Malaysia. It is a milestone in raw material product development. The potentially wide general application of TPEs, which require sophisticated technologies and specialized efforts at product/market developments, not only will spur more intensive research activities at Monsanto and Golden Hope, but also will invariably bring even closer the collaborative ties between the producers and consumers.

This augers well for the future of natural rubber usage."

Golden Hope is one of the largest publicly listed plantation companies in Malaysia with it headquarters in Kuala Lumpur. The company owns 287,000 acres of prime agricultural land planted with oil palm, rubber, cocoa, coconut and tropical fruits. It also is involved in the downstream manufacturing of refined palm oil, methylesters, refined glycerine, fatty alcohol, rubber-based products and fruit juices, and in real estate development. The company employs about 25,000 people at all levels and recorded sales last year of about $218 million. The company has a strong base in agricultural research and development, and over the years has developed a number of rubber and oil palm planting materials which currently are widely planted in Malaysia and other tropical countries.

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#90222p4208 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS, (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Sahara Casino Partners L.P. (NYSE: SAH) today reported revenues of $41,650,499 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, as compared to $42,607,299 for the comparable period of the previous year. Revenues for the nine months ended June 30, 1990, were $124,089,472 as compared to $116,017,942 for the comparable period of 1989.

Operating income before depreciation and amortization for the quarter was $10,665,754 as compared to $12,155,271 for the comparable period of 1989. Operating income before depreciation and amortization for the nine month period was $33,930,277 as compared to $32,909,668 for the compared period.

A net loss of $115,460 or $.01 per limited partner unit was reported for the quarter, as compared to net income of $647,144 or $.03 for the same quarter of 1989. For the nine month period, net income was $319,226 or $.02 per unit as compared to $3,302,554 or $.18 per unit for the comparable period.

Sahara Casino Partners L.P. is the gaming master limited partnership which owns and operates the Sahara and Hacienda hotel- casinos in Las Vegas and the Pioneer Hotel & Gambling Hall in Laughlin, Nev. The partnership is currently constructing the all-new Santa Fe hotel casino in Las Vegas, which is expected to be complete before the end of 1990. Expansion and renovation of the Sahara and Hacienda are expected to be complete in 1991.

SAHARA CASINO PARTNERS
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

3 mos. ended 6/30/90	3 mos. ended 6/30/89	9 mos. ended 6/30/90	9 mos. ended 6/30/89

Revenues	$41,650,499	$42,607,299	$124,089,472	$116,017,942
Operating income before depreciation & amortization	10,665,754	12,155,271	33,930,277	32,909,668
Depreciation & amortization	3,798,997	4,195,166	12,332,364	10,771,337
Operating income	$6,866,757	$7,960,105	$21,597,913	$22,138,331
Net income (loss)	($115,460)	$647,144	$319,226	$3,302,554
Net income (loss) per unit	($.01)	$.03	$.02	$.18
Outstanding units	18,300,000	18,300,000	18,300,000	18,300,000

CONTACT: Bob Walsh of Sahara Casino Partners L.P., 702-737-2741

-30- 2504

#90222p4209 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - El Al Israel Airlines announced today that their air fares between the United States and Israel, as well as other destinations, will not be increased, despite the current fluctuations in the world oil market.

"El Al does not see the need to increase air fares while oil prices are still stabilizing. In fact, beginning Aug. 20, the airline's new, low Super Apex fares for the fall season will be in effect," said David Shein, vice president, general manager, El Al, N.A.

El Al offers more nonstop and direct flights and flies more passengers to and from Israel than any other airline. El Al has five U.S. gateways including New York, Boston, Miami, Chicago and Los Angeles. For more information, contact 212-852-0628.

CONTACT: Sharon Pomerantz of Dorf & Stanton Communications, 212-420-8100 for El Al

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#90222p4212 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS, NE (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Sahara Resorts (NASDAQ: SHRE) today reported revenues of $41,577,322 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, as compared to $42,464,169 for the comparable period of 1989. Revenues for the nine-month period ended June 30, 1990, were $123,870,605 as compared to $115,671,895 for the comparable period of 1989.

Operating income before depreciation and amortization for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, was $11,011,370 as compared to $12,368,995 for the

comparable period of 1989. For the nine monhts ended June 30, 1990, operating income before depreciation and amortization was $34,572,453 as compared to $33,441,990 for the comparable period.

Net income for the quarter was $34,307 or $0.01 per share as compared to $374,326 or $0.11 per share for the comparable period. Net income for the nine-month reporting period was $396,656 or $0.12 per share as compared to $1,606,330 or $0.47 per share for the comparable period.

Sahara Resorts is the managing general partner of Sahara Casino Partners L.P., the limited partnership which owns and operates the Sahara and Hacienda hotel-casinos in Las Vegas and the Pioneer Hotel & Gambling Hall in Laughlin, Nev. The partnership is currently constructing the all-new Santa Fe hotel-casino in Las Vegas, which is expected to be complete by the end of 1990. Expansion and removation of the Sahara and Hacienda are expected to be complete in 1991.

SAHARA RESORTS FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Unaudited)

	3 Mos. Ended 6/30/90	3 Mos. Ended 6/30/89	9 Mos. Ended 6/30/90	9 Mos. Ended 6/30/89
Revenues	$41,577,322	$42,464,169	$123,870,605	$115,671,895
Operating income before depreciation & amortization	$11,011,370	$12,368,995	$34,572,453	$33,441,990
Depreciation & amortization	$3,811,660	$4,207,829	$12,370,352	$10,809,325
Operating income	$7,199,710	$8,161,166	$22,202,101	$22,632,665
Net income	$34,307	$374,326	$396,656	$1,606,330
Net income per share	$0.01	$0.11	$0.12	$0.47
Average No. shares outstanding	3,405,600	3,405,467	3,405,933	3,404,689

CONTACT: Bob Walsh of Sahara Resorts, 702-737-2741

-30- 2488

#90222p4213 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Santa Fe Pacific Corporation (NYSE: SFX) announced today that the scheduled Sept. 1 interest payment on its 16 percent senior subordinated debentures due 2003 will be paid in cash to holders of record Aug. 15.

The company has the option of paying in cash or in the form of additional

debentures until 1994.

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#90222p4217 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines today said effective Aug. 15 its domestic fares will increase 5.3 percent as a result of events in the Middle East and corresponding fuel increases.

Eastern said all passengers must purchase tickets by Aug. 14 to take advantage of the current price levels and emphasized that all Eastern tickets remain fully refundable at any time with no penalties.

The airline said the increase will not apply to passengers holding special "weekend fare" reservations for travel between now and Aug. 28.

The fare increase applies to all domestic destinations and the islands of San Juan, Puerto Rico, St. Thomas and St. Croix.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, 305-873-3773, or 305-873-6360

-30- 936

#90222p4220 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE- Larizza Industries, Inc. (AMEX: LII), an original equipment supplier to the automotive and defense industries, today announced that operating profit for the second quarter of 1990 increased to $2,428,000 compared to an operating loss of $144,000 for the first quarter of 1990 and operating income of $1,057,000 in the second quarter of the prior year.

According to Ronald T. Larizza, president and chief executive officer, the improved operating performance is a result of the company's restructuring which included the closure of its Pulsar Plastics operation in December 1989, and the sale of its plating operation in April 1990. Mr. Larizza stated that the company is now focusing its efforts on one plant which experienced operating losses during the quarter.

As previously announced, Larizza has retained a financial adviser and is involved in discussions with third parties which the company believes will result in a corporate restructuring, equity infusion or other transaction.

After interest and other non-operating expenses, the company reported a net loss for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $763,000 equal to $.05 per share, compared to a net loss of $1,548,000 equal to $.11 per

share for the second quarter of the prior year. Sales for the current quarter were $38,175,000 compared with $52,513,000 in the prior year's second quarter.

For the first six months of 1990, the company reported a net loss of $5,009,000 or $.36 per share, vs. a net loss of $1,687,000 or $.12 per share reported in the first half of 1989. Sales for the six months were $79,426,000 vs. $101,846,000 in the prior year's first half. Results for the current six months include a non-recurring net loss of $2,147,000 ($.16 per share) related to the company's plating operation.

Sales for the quarter and the six months decreased primarily as a result of the disposition of the company's plating operation on April 6, 1990, and the closure of its Pulsar Plastics operation in December 1989. Sales for the periods were also down as a result of lower sales to the automotive OEMs caused by lower OEM car builds.

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#90222p4225 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CORPUS CHRISTI, TX (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Marine Holding Co. (NASDAQ: MDCO) announced today the formal completion of the sale of 3,450,000 shares of the company's common stock at $6.375 per share. This sale included 450,000 shares of the company's common stock purchased by Salomon Brothers Inc, Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc. and Howard, Weil, Labouisse, Friedrichs Inc. pursuant to the over-allotment option. Copies of the final prospectus are available from the company.

Net proceeds from the offering will be used to repay indebtedness, for capital expenditures and for general working capital purposes.

Concurrently with the closing of the underwritten public offering, the company issued 693,306 shares of common stock in full satisfaction of indebtedness of approximately $4.1 million owed to three principal shareholders of the company.

The company engages in the contract drilling of oil and gas wells in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico for independent and major oil and gas companies. The company's common stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol MDCO.

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#90222p4234 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROANOKE, Va. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Littlefield, Adams & Company (AMEX: LFA), a company engaged in the business of manufacturing and imprinting leisurewear and team garments, has filed its form 10Q for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the second quarter 1990 were $1,619,000 as compared with $1,497,000 for the second quarter of 1989. The net operating profit for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, amounted to $4,000 compared to a loss of $54,000 for the same period in 1989.

As a result of the settlement of litigation with the third party buyer of the publishing division, a write-down of $316,000 against a long term note has been recorded in the second quarter ended June 30, 1990. In May, 1989 a settlement was reached with a former director in litigation over a certain deferred compensation dispute. As a result of this, the company recorded a $214,000 gain on this settlement.

Management believes the third quarter will be profitable.

LITTLEFIELD, ADAMS & COMPANY
CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales and other revenue	$1,619,000	$1,497,000	$3,115,000	$3,155,000
Net income (loss)	(312,000)	160,000	(392,000)	180,000
Net income (loss) per share(a)	($.29)	$.15	($.36)	$.17

(a) Average number of shares outstanding for the six months ended June 30 1990 and 1989 was 1,073,820.

CONTACT: J. William Stephens of Littlefield, Adams & Company, 703-366-2451

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#90222p4235 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Terry S. Parker has been named president of GTE's newly formed Telecommunications Products and Services Group and a member of the company's policy committee, announced GTE Corp. (NYSE: GTE) President and Chief Operating Officer Charles R. Lee. His appointment is effective immediately.

The new group comprises GTE's Government Systems, Information Services, Mobile Communications and Spacenet units. Upon shareholder and regulatory

approval of the previously announced merger between GTE and Contel Corp., GTE expects that certain Contel operating units will become part of this new GTE group.

Parker, 45, has served as president of Houston-based GTE Mobile Communications since 1988. He will continue to head GTE Mobile Communications until a successor is in place.

"In today's fast-paced, global business climate, we see rapidly converging technologies and traditional government and private-sector communications markets blending," Lee said. "In creating the GTE Telecommunications Products and Services Group, we are combining the many years of accomplishment and technical expertise in Government Systems with the tremendous opportunities in the emerging information- services, cellular and satellite-services businesses."

Parker joined General Telephone Company of Indiana in 1969, and held various financial and accounting positions there and at GTE's Telephone Operations headquarters until his election as vice president and controller for General Telephone Company of Michigan in 1980. From 1982-85, Parker served as vice president - revenue requirements and then vice president - marketing for GTE's Midwestern Telephone Operations, and subsequently became group vice president - regulatory affairs. He holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from Ball State University, and a master's degree in business from Indiana University.

GTE subsidiaries operate in 46 states and 41 countries, with combined revenues and sales of $17.4 billion and net income of $1.4 billion in 1989.

GTE is a leader in its three core businesses -- telecommunications, lighting and precision materials -- providing products and services worldwide.

CONTACT: Harvey W. Greisman, 203-965-2903, or after 5 p.m. EDT, 203-255-6593; Tony Hamilton, 203-965-2853, or after 5 p.m. EDT, 203-327-2162; or in Washington, Julia Spicer, 202-463-5206, all of GTE

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#90222p4239 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PEMBROKE PINES, FL (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Decorator Industries Inc. (AMEX: DII), which manufactures draperies, bedspreads and other accessories for the hospitality (motel/hotel), health care, recreational vehicle and mobile/manufactured home industries, today reported its results for the second quarter of 1990.

William Bassett, president, reported that sales for the second quarter of 1990 were $6,379,236 and net income was $99,545 and, while these results

were an improvement over the first quarter, they were down from last year's second quarter.

These results reflect the continuing weakness in the mobile/manufactured home markets, he advised, and while sales to the motel/hotel market were up compared to a year ago, a greater amount of those sales was in lower margin products.

Bassett reported that the company began the introduction of a new program of draperies, bedspreads, cubicle curtains and related products to the health care market during July and that although the company does not expect any immediate contribution from this program, it expects it to develop into a significant business in the near future.

DECORATOR INDUSTRIES INC.
Consolidated Report of Sales and Earnings(A)

Period	Second Quarter		Six Months	
ended	6/30/90	7/1/89	6/30/90	7/1/89
Net sales	$6,379,236	$6,588,582	$11,285,758	$11,997,521
Income from continuing opers.	99,545	271,553	132,688	382,460
Loss on discounted operations	--	(129,770)	--	(154,854)
Net income	99,545	141,783	132,688	227,606
Income from continuing operations, per share	$.10	$.26	$.13	$.37
Loss on discounted operations, per share	--	$(.12)	--	$(.15)
Total primary earnings per share	$.10	$.14	$.13	$.22
Fully diluted earnings per share	$.10	$.13	$.13	$.21
Average shares	1,054,361	1,042,361	1,054,361	1,042,361

(A) unaudited

CONTACT: William Bassett, president, 305-436-8909, or Jerome B. Lieber, secretary, in Pittsburgh, 412-392-2121, both of Decorator Industries Inc.

-30- 2512

#90222p4240 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert E. Howson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of McDermott International, Inc. (NYSE: MDR), today reported that revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were $684,525,000 compared with $658,774,000 in the same quarter last year. The net loss for the June quarter was $44,327,000, or $1.01 a share primary and fully diluted, compared with a net loss of $19,670,000, or

$0.53 a share, primary and fully diluted in the June 1989 quarter.

Howson said, "While our reported first quarter net loss was greater than the net loss reported in the same quarter last year, this year's net loss reflects events which negatively impacted our results by approximately $30 million.

"McDermott-ETPM, our joint venture which became effective on April 1, 1990 is incurring losses on some of its first major contracts in the North Sea and West Africa. We recognized the anticipated losses on these contracts in the first quarter and these losses are now behind us. These losses, along with lower utilization of the joint-ventures' marine equipment and higher overhead and bid costs, increased the operating loss of the Marine Construction Services segment by approximately $21 million when compared with the same quarter last year. We are not aware of any additional losses on existing contracts that the joint venture recognize, and we expect this segment to show significant improvement in operating results for the remainder of the fiscal year.

"Also, we had expected to close the sale of our seamless tubular operations during the first quarter. This was delayed, and it now appears that the sale will occur in the September quarter.

"Finally, we included the recognition of certain insurance claims in our projections for the June quarter. These were also delayed, but now will be reported in the September quarter.

"Except for these events and delays, our net loss for the June 1990 quarter would have been approximately $14 million compared with a net loss of $19.7 million in the same quarter a year ago.

Howson continued, "I am very confident that fiscal 1990 will prove to be the year during which our markets began a long-term period of growth, and that we will continue to experience the improving trend of earnings that started last year.

"Our marine construction backlog, which exceeded $2 billion at the end of the June 1990 quarter, is the highest in the company's history. Further, we believe about $3.5 billion of offshore projects worldwide will be awarded during the next 12 months. We will be bidding on a substantial portion of these projects and expect to be awarded a significant amount of this work.

"In our power generation markets, the overall growth in demand for electricity, as well as environmental concerns, will be the dominant factors. In the near term, we believe environmental equipment and the continuing need for service provide the greatest opportunities, although longer term we believe the market for base-load power generation equipment

will become increasingly important.

"Service will also continue to drive our commercial nuclear markets. "In our Government markets, we look forward to our participation in the advanced solid rocket motor program for NASA as well as other aerospace and ordnance programs that will use our capabilities for precision manufacturing. Our new position as sole supplier of fuel to the U.S. Naval Reactors Program puts us in a strong position, and should offset the likelihood that Congress will decrease funding for the Program."

Howson concluded, "I believe that McDermott's future is growing increasingly bright. I believe we have persevered through the most difficult of times, and I believe the rewards of our perseverance are becoming apparent."

McDermott International, Inc., is a leading worldwide energy services company. The company and its subsidiaries manufacture steam- generating equipment, defense products, and tubular products. They also provide engineering and construction services for industrial and utility facilities onshore, and to the oil and gas industry offshore.

CONTACT: Ken Salzer of McDermott, 504-587-4346

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#90222p4242 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Endevco Inc. (AMEX, EI) chairman and chief executive officer James W. Bryant today announced the election of Kelcy L. Warren as president and chief operating officer of Endevco Inc., and Jack W. Young as executive vice president primarily responsible for finance and administration, a newly created position.

Warren has been with Endevco since 1981, most recently as executive vice president, responsible for gas supply, marketing and business development. In addition to these former duties, Warren will now have mananagement responsibility for the operation of all company facilities. Warren succeeds Bryant as president. Bryant retains his position as chairman and CEO.

Young has served Endevco as a consultant for the past six months. He has been active in the oil and gas industry since 1975. Beginning in 1975 Young organized, financed, and operated serveral companies which were merged into a holding company in 1980. In 1977 Young was one of the original Endevco stockholders and was on the first board of directors. Young has served as president of a privately owned company involved in oil gas and real estate since 1980.

In announcing the management changes, Bryant said, "These organizational

changes are designed to better equip Endevco to meet the great challenges and opportunities in natural gas for the 90s. Our goals and opportunities are great and exciting. These changes will help us achieve these sooner."

Endevco is a rapidly growing natural gas company built around a core business -- gas transportation, consisting of gathering, transmission, storage and marketing natural gas. The company is also engaged in the closely related and complimentary business of treating and processing natural gas and natural gas liquids.

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#90222p4247 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PANAMA CITY, FL (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Sunshine-Jr. Stores Inc., (NYSE: SJS) a Fla.-based convenience store and supermarket chain today announced sales and earnings for the second quarter.

For the 26-week period ended June 28, sales were $98,683,299 compared to $94,914,408 for the same period last year, a 4 percent increase. Sales for the quarter were $52,016,608 in the current year compared to $52,062,787 in 1989. Earnings for the second quarter were $160,815, or $.09 per share, as compared to $377,038 for the period last year, or $.22 per share. For the 26-week period, the company reported a net loss of $222,878, or $.14 per share, compared to a net loss for the same period last year of $113,346, or $.07 per share.

Commenting on second quarter revenues, company President Lana Jane Lewis-Brent said: "Although 15 fewer stores were in operation in the second quarter this year as compared to last, merchandise revenues increased 3 percent overall. A significant portion of this increase can be attributed to an improvement in video rental income which is the direct result of the company's purchase of a video business from our primary supplier in November of last year." She added that the company experienced a decrease of 3 percent in gasoline sales reflecting a lower retail gasoline price at the time, however, actual gallons sold increased during the quarter.

At the close of the second quarter, 1990, Sunshine-Jr. Stores Inc. was operating 298 convenience stores in Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia and Louisiana plus four supermarkets in Bay County, Fla.

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#90222p4251 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTON, MA (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Greenery Rehabilitation Group, Inc. (NYSE: GRG) today announced its financial results from operations for the quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990:

GREENERY REHABILITATION GROUP, INC.
Income Statement Data
($ in thousands except per share)

	Three Months Ended June		Nine Months Ended June	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$23,744	$20,224	$69,365	$57,616
Total expenses	22,052	18,728	64,182	53,906
Net income	$1,692	$1,496	$5,183	$3,710
Average shares outstanding	8,941,000	8,918,000	8,927,000	8,923,000
Net income per share	19 cents	17 cents	58 cents	42 cents

Gerard M. Martin, chairman and CEO of Greenery Group, issued the following statement upon releasing these results:

"This quarter, June 30, 1990, financial results from operations have continued a consistent improvement over the same quarter last year.

"Although we are pleased with the results for this quarter, I must say I am generally concerned with stock market analysts' focus on one or two penny differences in quarterly results. In a company the size of Greenery Group a change in occupancy or payor mix of only a few patients may not be statistically visible but may have a several cent per share quarterly impact."

"Overall, we are satisfied with our company trends and I hope analysts and shareholders can begin to look toward longer term trends rather than penny per quarter changes."

Greenery Group, headquartered in Newton, Mass., is a leader in head injury rehabilitation services to patients with traumatic brain injury. Greenery Group currently operates six head injury rehabilitation facilities in Boston, Seattle, San Francisco, Dallas, Durham, N.C., and Worcester, Mass. as well as four skilled nursing facilities in Massachusetts, Connecticut and Maryland, which emphasize care medically demanding geriatric patients.

Greenery Group was formerly listed on the NASDAQ National Market System and was accepted for listing on the New York Stock Exchange effective Aug. 3, 1990.

CONTACT: Gerard M. Martin or George M. Ferencik, 617-244-4744, both of Greenery Rehabilitation Group

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#90222p4252 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Scholastic Corporation announced today that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a proposed initial public offering of 4.2 million shares of its common stock, of which 3,270,000 shares will be sold by the company and 930,000 shares will be sold by certain selling stockholders.

The offering will be made concurrently in the United States and internationally - 3.4 million shares in the United States and 800,000 shares internationally.

The U.S. offering is to be co-managed by Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Alex. Brown & Sons Incorporated, and the international offering is to be co-managed by Goldman Sachs International Limited and Alex. Brown & Sons Incorporated. The initial public offering price is anticipated to be between $18 and $21 per share.

The company will apply to have its common stock included in the NASDAQ National Market System. The company intends to use the net proceeds from the offering to repay bank debt.

The voting power of the company's capital stock is vested in its Class A stock which is controlled by Richard Robinson, chairman, chief executive officer and president of the company, and two trusts controlled by descendants of Maurice R. Robinson, founder of the company. This voting power is subject to the right of the holders of common stock to elect one-fifth of the board of directors.

Scholastic Corporation, formerly SI Holdings Inc., is the parent company of Scholastic Inc. which was a public company traded on NASDAQ from 1969 to 1987, when all of its outstanding shares were acquired by Scholastic Corporation, a privately held company owned by the Robinson family and certain other investors and management.

Scholastic Inc., headquartered in New York, is a leading publisher and distributor of children's books, classroom and professional magazines, and other educational materials, with operations in the United States, Canada, Australia, the United Kingdom and New Zealand.

The registration statement has not yet become effective. The common stock may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy the common stock, which offer may only be made by means

of the prospectus included in the registration statement, nor shall there by any sale of common stock in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to the registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

CONTACT: Jeanne Krier of Scholastic, (212) 505-3410.

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#90222p4256 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Allan V. Cecil, director-corporate public relations, National Gypsum Co., has been elected vice president-public affairs, it was announced today by John P. Hayes, chairman and chief executive officer. Cecil will be responsible for the company's public relations and governmental affairs activities.

Prior to joining National Gypsum in 1985, Cecil was employed as head of public relations for Mesa Petroleum Co. He previously held public relations positions with N.W. Ayer & Son, Kerr-McGee Corp. and served as an officer in the United States Air Force.

Cecil is currently a member of the board of directors of The Texas Council on Economic Education and serves as a western region director of the American Mining Congress. He is also a member of the Dallas Press Club and the Dallas Chapter of the National Investor Relations Institute.

National Gypsum Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Aancor Holdings, Inc., is a diversified manufacturer and supplier of products and services used worldwide in building and construction.

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CINCINNATI (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Great American Communications Company (NASDAQ: GACC) reported that operating profit increased by 24 percent from $13.0 million to $16.2 million during the second quarter of 1990 over the same period in 1989. Revenues increased 6.5 percent for the quarter, to $78.9 million in 1990 from $74.1 million in 1989. Second quarter net earnings were $21.1 million or $.60 per share compared to a net loss of $23.6 million or a loss of $.76 per share in the same period a year ago. The increase in net earnings is due to a gain of approximately $45 million on the sale of 7.2 million shares of Chiquita Brands International, Inc. (NYSE: CQB) common stock, as well as the company's improved operating results.

Through the first six months of 1990, revenues increased 3.6 percent, from

$135.5 million to $140.4 million. Operating income for the six months was $19.1 million versus $20.4 million for the same period in 1989. The net loss for the period decreased from $47.7 million or $1.52 per share during the first six months of 1989 to $14.0 million or $.40 per share during the same period in 1990. Again, the major portion of the reduction in the loss is due to the Chiquita stock sale.

The company expects its broadcast and entertainment operations will continue to improve their performance for the balance of the year.

GACC and its subsidiaries own and operate five network affiliated television stations, and 12 FM and six AM radio stations in the top 50 markets. Through Hanna-Barbera, it is involved in animated film and video production, distribution and marketing worldwide. GACC beneficially owns approximately 46 percent of Spelling Entertainment Inc.

American Financial Corporation benefically owns 68 percent of GACC. GACC's common stock trades in the over-the-counter market under the symbol GACC.

GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Net revenues:		
Broadcast Group	$ 55,902	$ 54,213
Entertainment Group	18,197	13,494
Other	4,786	6,346
	78,885	74,053
Costs and expenses:		
Operating expenses	28,937	29,313
Selling, general and administrative	21,966	20,298
Depreciation and amortization	11,798	11,434
	62,701	61,045
Operating income	16,184	13,008
Other income (expense):		
Interest expense	(35,975)	(43,080)
Minority interest	(7,800)	(7,249)
Equity in net earnings of affiliates (A)	4,234	9,177
Investment income	635	1,255
Miscellaneous, net (B)	43,877	477
	4,971	(39,420)
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	21,155	(26,412)
Income taxes (credits)	47	(972)
Earnings (loss) from continuing		

operations	21,108	(25,440)
Discontinued operations (C)	---	2,182
Earnings (loss) before extraordinary items	21,108	(23,258)
Extraordinary items (D)	---	(383)
NET EARNINGS (LOSS)	$21,108	($23,641)
PER SHARE DATA (Primary and Fully Diluted):		
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations	$.60	($.80)
Earnings (loss) before extraordinary items	.60	(.74)
Net earnings (loss)	.60	(.76)

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Net revenues:		
Broadcast Group	$ 98,455	$ 98,221
Entertainment Group	33,427	28,513
Other	8,469	8,747
	140,351	135,481
Costs and expenses:		
Operating expenses	54,830	51,705
Selling, general and administrative	43,111	39,036
Depreciation and amortization	23,343	24,345
	121,284	115,086
Operating income	19,067	20,395
Other income (expense):		
Interest expense	(74,451)	(86,752)
Minority interest	(15,655)	(14,362)
Equity in net earnings of affiliates (A)	12,624	13,594
Investment income	1,169	2,677
Miscellaneous, net (B)	43,337	4,155
	(32,976)	(80,688)
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	(13,909)	(60,293)
Income taxes (credits)	135	(9,539)
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations	(14,044)	(50,754)
Discontinued operations (C)	---	3,904
Earnings (loss) before extraordinary items	(14,044)	(46,850)
Extraordinary items (D)	---	(805)
NET EARNINGS (LOSS)	($14,044)	($47,655)
PER SHARE DATA (Primary and Fully Diluted):		
Earnings (loss) from		

continuing operations	($.40)	($1.62)
Earnings (loss) before extraordinary items	(.40)	(1.49)
Net earnings (loss)	(.40)	(1.52)
Average common shares	35,162	31,408

Note (A) -- Included in "equity in net earnings of affiliates" is GACC's proportinate share of Chiquita Brands' and Spelling's reported net earnings.

Note (B) -- Included in "miscellaneous, net" is a $44.8 million gain on the sale of 7.2 million Chiquita shares in the second quarter of 1990 and a $7.2 million gain from the sale of GACC's interest in a Canadian theme park during the first quarter of 1989.

Note (C) -- Discontinued operations represent earnings from GACC's insurance subsidiary which was sold in September 1989.

Note (D) -- Extraordinary items reprsents a net loss on the retirement of debt during the first six months of 1989.

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BOHEMIA, N.Y. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Nature's Bounty, Inc., today reported the following:

NATURE'S BOUNTY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Periods Ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$17,241,701	$16,956,693	$53,679,931	$44,720,352
Inc. (loss) bef. inc. taxes (benefit) & extraordinary item	415,422	(320,769)	1,193,200	98,819
Inc. taxes (benefit)	162,271	(125,000)	465,604	39,000
Inc. (loss) bef. extraord. item	253,151	(195,769)	727,596	59,819
Extraord. item: Utiliz. of net oper. loss carryforward	--	(13,000)	--	39,000
Net income (loss)	253,151	(208,769)	727,596	98,819
Earns. (loss) per com. share: Inc. (loss) before extraord. item	$0.27	$(0.20)	$0.77	$0.06
Extraord. item	--	(0.01)	--	0.04
Net income (loss)	$0.27	$(0.21)	$0.77	$0.10

Weighted avg. common shares	927,356	982,773	940,093	982,968

CONTACT: Harvey Kamil, executive vice president of Nature's Bounty, 516-567-9500

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LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of American Reliance Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: ARIG) today declared a quarterly dividend of 11 cents per share payable on Sept. 7, 1990, to holders of record as of Aug. 22.

American Reliance Group, Inc. is a regional property and casualty insurance holding company which specializes in providing coverage for small to medium-size businesses and individuals in rural and suburban locations.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonald's(R) restaurants of southeastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey and Delaware is leading a search for four model Hispanic citizens, those who go beyond the call of duty to enhance the quality of life for family or community.

As part of Puerto Rican week in September, these special Delaware Valley residents will be saluted tri-statewide as winners of McDonald's Heroes Anonimos Contest, and will be showered with accolades and fanfare as "unsung heroes" for their special accomplishments or contributions within the Latino community.

Joining McDonald's to salute the area's Heroes Anonimos are media partners WTGI-TV, "La Actualidad" and WTEL Radio, who will help bring important recognition to the four selected role models by featuring them in special print and broadcast stories during Puerto Rican Week.

The winners will also be awarded plaques and $150 cash prizes by McDonald's at the Puerto Rican Week Professional's Reception on Sept. 27, an event which many of the area's Hispanic leaders and corporate representatives attend.

"McDonald's Heroes Anonimos Contest is designed to have the entire Latino

community join us in praising the ordinary citizens who are making an extraordinary difference, whether in one life or many," said Abby Montsinger, regional marketing manager, McDonald's Corp., Philadelphia region.

"Countless people are unsung heroes and McDonald's wants to help bring recognition to those rare individuals, who, as teachers, business owners, parents or students, can be considered role models for their good deeds or accomplishments."

The public is encouraged to nominate Hispanic friends, family and neighbors of any age for the award. To receive an entry form for McDonald's Heroes Anonimos Contest, call Gina Carroll at (215) 790-7839, or call the offices of any of the media participating in the search.

Entry forms will also be available at McDonald's booth at the Hispanic Fiesta on Penn's Landing, a festival on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 18-19, in Philadelphia. The deadline to submit nominees is Friday, Aug. 24.

There are 219 McDonald's restaurants in the Delaware Valley, serving a third of a million people each day. McDonald's is the world's leading foodservice organization, serving more than 22 million people daily in more than 11,300 restaurants in 52 countries. Seventy-five percent of McDonald's restaurants are locally owned and operated by independent entrepreneurs.

CONTACT: LaVicki Moss of Lewis Gilman Golin/Harris, (215) 790-7841, for McDonald's.

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#90222p4275 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Burnham Pacific Properties Inc. (NYSE: BPP), a San Diego-based equity real estate investment trust (REIT), reported today record revenues for the second quarter and first half ended June 30, 1990, and slight declines in funds from operations available for dividends in the same periods.

The company reported revenues of $6,025,000 for the second quarter and $11,839,000 for the first six months of 1990, compared to $5,076,000 and $10,025,000, respectively, a year ago.

Funds from operations and available for dividends dropped to $1,851,000 for the quarter, or 31 cents a share, and $3,816,000, or 63 cents a share for the half, compared to $2,008,000, or 34 cents a share, and $3,905,000, or 70 cents a share, respectively, in the same periods of 1989.

The company also reported net income fell to $229,000 (five cents per

share) from $3.58 million (61 cents per share) in comparative second quarters and to $944,000 (16 cents per share) from $4.44 million (80 cents per share) in comparable six-month periods.

President Louis J. Garday said this was because of a combination of increased depreciation, extraordinary second quarter write-offs of costs associated with a cancelled public offering and of corresponding expenses for a New York Stock Exchange listing, and a one-time gain of $2.6 million from the sale of an Escondido, Calif., shopping center in June 1989.

According to Garday, second quarter and first half results also reflect increased interest expense from 100 percent financing of the purchase of Point Loma Plaza shopping center for $35.5 million in late 1989. Garday also said all the company's property holdings are substantially leased with an overall current vacancy rate of less than five percent.

CONTACT: Louis J. Garday, president, (619) 236-1555, or Bill Gabriel, (619) 525-2642, both of Burnham Pacific Properties Inc.

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ST. CLOUD, MINN. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Financial Group (NASDAQ: SFGI) announced today that net income for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990, was $128,000 or $.18 per share compared with $438,000 or $.60 per share for the same quarter in fiscal 1989.

Security reported a slight increase in its net interest income for the quarter. Third quarter 1990 net interest income was $2,094,000 compared with $2,060,000 reported for the third quarter a year ago. The increase was primarily the result of decreased interest expense. A reduction in the average cost of deposits and a lower average rate on borrowings contributed to reduced interest expense.

Interest income for the quarter decreased by $114,000 as Security's yield on earning assets decreased from 10.97 percent in 1989 to 10.66 percent in 1990. Average loans outstanding for the 1990 quarter were down from the prior year. Contributing to the decrease were payoffs and reduced originations on commercial real estate loans and fewer adjustable residential loans being originated. While total residential (one to four family) origination activity for the third quarter of 1990 was comparable to 1989, the majority of originations in 1990 have been fixed-rate mortgage loans which are sold at origination. Commercial and multi-family real estate loan originations for the quarter were $3.2 million, down significantly from $12.7 million in 1989.

Contributing most significantly to the decrease in net income for the quarter was the increase in the Bank's loan loss provision. During the

quarter, $430,000 was provided for potential loan losses. Net chargeoffs on loans were $482,000 during the quarter. Chargeoffs were related primarily to the Bank's lending relationship with a local real estate development firm and to delinquencies experienced in a contract- serviced purchased automobile loan pool.

Security Financial Group, Inc., provides financial services to central Minnesota through its operating subsidiary Security Financial Banking and Savings, FSB. Security Financial is a $300 million savings bank with headquarters in St. Cloud, Minn., and offices in St. Cloud, Princeton, Mora, Sauk Rapids, Monticello, and Elk River, Minn. Security Financial Group, Inc., is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol: SFGI.

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NORFOLK, NE (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Nucor Cold Finish in Norfolk, Nebraska has added stress relieved bars to its product offering.

Stress relieved bars are noted for their greater strength, better machinability and improved fatigue and wear resistance. This in turn results in longer part life with less manufacturing costs. The bars are more uniform, providing consistent quality and less distortion.

Nucor designed a unique thermal processing furnace as a key element in their stress relieving procedure. This furnace maximizes productivity, minimizes manpower requirements and insures state-of-the-art control of the process. Engineering and construction of the furnace was provided by Johnston Manufacturing of Minneapolis.

Nucor stress relieved bars meet or exceed ASTM 311, and are offered in both A and B specifications. All steel grades in the specification are available in sizes from 1/4 inch to three inches.T he bars can also be turned and/or ground.

In the future, Nucor plans to expand into other heat treating processes. Nucor Cold Finish is a division of Nucor Corporation (NYSE: NUE), a Fortune 500 company. Additional cold finish facilities are located in Darlington, South Carolina, and Brigham City, Utah.

For more information, contact Joe Rutkowski, Nucor Cold Finish, P.O. Box 94, Norfolk, NE 68701, (402) 644-8600 or (toll-free out-of-state) 1-800-228-8107.

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out-of-state) 1-800-228-8107.

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DALLAS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Endevco Inc. (AMEX: EI) today reported a net loss applicable to common stock of $193,000 (3 cents per share) for the second quarter of 1990, compared to a loss of $58,000 ($.01 per share) for the second quarter of the prior year. Revenues for the recent quarter were also lower at $43,298,000, compared to $48,769,000 for the year earlier quarter, primarily due to lower sales prices for natural gas. The lower average sales prices resulted in lower gas sales margins, one of the major factors causing lower earnings for the period.

The decline in second quarter revenues resulted from decreases of $5.4 million in off-system revenues and $2.9 million in facilities sales revenues which were offset by an increase of $2.8 million in gas processing and refining revenues.

For the first six months of 1990 the net loss applicable to common stock (after the preferred dividend requirements of $950,000) was $675,000, or 9 cents per share, compared to $258,000, or 4 cents per share for the same 1989 period.

"We anticipate improved results by the fourth quarter 1990 from increasing gas transportation volumes, and increased volumes of facilities sales," Bryant said. "As the winter approaches, well head prices should begin to increase. This will encourage increased throughput from many of the Endevco systems where producers have curtailed or shut in a portion of their production.

"In addition, we are confident that our expansion into the natural gas storage business will add growth and earnings beginning in late 1990," Bryant added. "Endevco is the 50 percent managing partner in a $30 million joint venture to convert an existing liquified petroleum gas salt dome storage facility, near Hattiesburg, Miss., to a natural gas storage facility. This important new business complements our Mississippi Fuel Co. pipeline system and improves our abilities to serve our local and East Coast markets."

Endevco is a rapidly growing, natural gas company built around a core business - gas transportation, consisting of gathering, transmission, storage and marketing of natural gas. The company is also engaged in the closely related and complementary business of treating and processing natural gas and natural gas liquids.

CONTACT: James W. Bryant, CEO, or E.P. Marinos, CFO, 214-691-5536 both of Endevco Inc.

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#90222p4285 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
PERTH, AUSTRALIA (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Bond Brewing Holdings Limited (BBH) today announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Dimola Pty. Ltd. (Dimola), has extended its offer to purchase all outstanding 12-5/8 percent extendable subordinated debentures of BBH until 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Friday, Aug. 17, 1990.

Debentures tendered pursuant to the offer may be withdrawn at any time prior to acceptance for purchase pursuant to the offer. The depositary has advised BBH and Dimola that, as of 12:00 noon, New York City time, on Friday, Aug. 10, 1990, approximately 2% of the outstanding principal amount of debentures had been tendered to the depositary pursuant to the tender offer.

As BBH has previously disclosed, the availability period for funding under Dimola's tender offer facility has lapsed. There is no assurance that Dimola will be able to obtain financing for the tender offer.

CONTACT: James Rawlings, (212) 223-4202, for Bond Brewing Holdings Limited.

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#90222p4286 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Laidlaw Waste Systems, Inc. is mounting a unique education and consulting program for U.S. manufacturers and solid waste generators in response to new U.S. EPA Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) hazardous waste regulations.

Effective Sept. 25, 1990, the U.S. EPA will add 25 new volatile organic compounds to its list of toxic materials and a new test to determine hazardous waste status.

Observers estimate these new regulations could triple reportable hazardous waste, changing solid waste handling practices and, in some cases, core manufacturing and production processes in thousands of businesses across the nation.

To prepare its customer base and solid waste generators for this new regulation, Laidlaw has launched an aggressive education program of mailings, a telephone hotline manned by the company's TCLP specialists (assembled in Laidlaw's suburban Dayton TCLP Headquarters from across the country), industry workshops and close personal follow-up with solid waste generators.

"The new regulations create real questions for any business that generates

significant amounts of solid waste," said Matt Fulton, Regional Marketing Director and coordinator of Laidlaw's national TCLP program.

"We think the EPA ruling will change the way thousands of businesses deal with solid waste. If a business entity that is generating or disposing of a TC waste is not prepared for these changes, they could face expensive disposal problems, as well as fines of $25,000 per day and up to five years in prison for noncompliance. That's why we are moving quickly to respond to these changes in concert with our customers."

Under the 1984 Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), solid waste is classified as hazardous according to four criteria: ignitability, corrosivity, reactivity and toxicity, (easily the most controversial).

Previous EPA toxicity regulations listed only 14 metals and pesticides such as arsenic and 2,4 D, while the new regulations include such materials as benzene, chloroform, trichloroethylene, and carbon tetrachloride.

In addition to the new target Volatile Organics Compounds (VOCs), the EPA has substituted a new test, the Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP), for the previously-approved Extraction Procedure (EP) test, in an effort to more closely emulate the leaching process that occurs in some disposal sites.

CONTACT: Matthew Fulton of Laidlaw Waste Systems, Inc., (614) 848-4480.

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FARMINGDALE, NY (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - On Aug. 9, 1990, the board of directors of Del Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: DLI) declared a quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share on the company's common stock.

The dividend is payable on Sept. 21, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business Aug. 24.

Del Laboratories, Inc., under its brand trademarks, manufactures and markets Sally Hansen "Hard as Nails" nail care products, America's number one nail protection; Quencher cosmetics; Flame-Glow cosmetics; Rejuvia beauty care products; Nutri-Tonic hair care products; La Cross nail and beauty implements; Schiaparelli Fragrances and "Auro," "Tanac," "Orajel," "Propa P.H.," "Dermarest," "Pronto," "Diaper-Guard," "Stye," "Triptone" and other proprietary pharmaceuticals.

CONTACT: Dan K. Wassong, president and chief executive officer or Melvyn C. Goldstein, vice president-finance, both of Del Laboratories, 516-293-7070

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#90222p4291 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
YOUNGSTOWN, OH (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - American Waste Services, Inc. filed today with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement on Form S-1 relating to a proposed initial public offering by the company of 6,000,000 shares of its class A common stock.

The planned offering, which will be made only by prospectus, will include 6,000,000 primary shares, with 4,800,000 shares offered through a United States offering and 1,200,000 shares offered in a concurrent international offering. The stockholders of the company have granted the underwriters an option for 30 days to purchase up to an additional 900,000 secondary shares. Goldman, Sachs & Co. will lead manage the proposed offering and PaineWebber Incorporated and First Analysis Securities Corporation will co-manage the offering.

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for the common stock of the company. It is currently estimated that the initial public offering price per share will be between $14 and $17.

American Waste Services, Inc. provides integrated waste management services, including disposal, transportation and brokerage, to industrial, commercial, municipal and governmental customers primarily in selected eastern and midwestern markets. The company's principal activities include the operation of nonhazardous solid waste landfills for the disposal of special waste, garbage and refuse; the transportation and brokerage of hazardous and nonhazardous waste; and, upon the acquisition of Earth Sciences Consultants, Inc. and two affiliated companies concurrently with the completion of the offering, the provision of environmental engineering, site assessment, analytical laboratory and remediation services. The company believes it is one of the largest transporters and disposers of special waste in the United States.

Proceeds to the company from the sale of its shares will be used to complete pending acquisitions, reduce debt, fund working capital and finance possible future acquisitions, as well as for general corporate purposes.

The company has applied to list the class A common stock on the New York Stock Exchange. A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws

of any such state.

CONTACT: Bruce Chapnick of American Waste Services, 216-759-7476

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#90222p4296 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Unit Corp. (NYSE:UNT) today reported revenues of $13,126,000 for the second quarter of 1990, up 34 percent from $9,784,000 for the second quarter of last year. The increase in revenues was due to higher natural gas production and average prices and an increase in the company's gas marketing operations. Revenues for the first six months of 1990 were $26,583,000, up 45 percent from the first six months of 1989.

A net loss of $378,000, 2 cents per share, was reported for the second quarter of 1990 compared to $675,000, or 3 cents per share for the second quarter of 1989. The net loss for the first six months of 1990 was $651,000 down from $895,000 for the same period last year.

Unit reported oil and gas production of 677,000 equivalent barrels during the first six months of 1990, an increase of 36 percent over the same period in 1989.

Rig utilization for the six months of 1990 was 43 percent as compared to 37 percent for the same period in 1989.

Unit Corp. is a Tulsa-based, publicly held energy company engaged in oil and gas exploration, production, and contract drilling. Unit's common shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol UNT.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Lund International Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: LUND) announced sales and earnings for the fourth quarter were $4,206,901 compared to $3,587,198 for the same period last year. Net income was $602,353 or 13 cents per share compared to $734,502 or 15 cents per share for the same period in 1989. Net sales for the years ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, were $13,250,878 and $12,074,675, respectively. Net income for the year ended June 30, 1990, was $1,893,510 or 39 cents per share compare to $2,045,959 or 44 cents per share for the same period last year.

Sales increased principally because of the increased share of the vehicle market gained by trucks and vans and an expansion of marketing efforts by

Lund. The declines in income for the fourth quarter and the year were primarily the result of increased investment spending which includes a new advertising campaign which included national consumer ads, production of packing and catalog sheets for new products, national promotion of direct sales to retailers, the addition of warehouse space for new products, implementation of bar coding of products and electronic data interchange of orders and billings, and patent and related litigation expenses.

One hundred percent of the sales came from Lund Industries, a subsidiary of Lund International Holdings. Lund Industries is a manufacturer of aftermarket accessories for trucks and vans. Its product line is marketed through automotive warehouse distributors throughout the United States and Canada.

The corporation is headquartered at 9055 Evergreen Blvd., Coon Rapids, Minn., 55433.

CONTACT: William McMahon of Lund International Holdings, 612-780-0525

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#90222p4302 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVING, TEXAS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Gamma International, Ltd. (NASDAQ: GAMM) today reported results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, including record game sales, improved net gaming revenues and sharply reduced losses for the periods reported.

For the second quarter of 1990, game sales increased to $3,642,730 from $3,503,030 for the second quarter of 1989. After deducting payments for prizes and related fees and allotments to hall operators, the company posted net gaming revenue of $943,547 compared to $15,218 for the prior period.

The company sustained a loss of $118,487 for the second quarter of 1990, or 11 cents per share, including an extraordinary charge of $50,000 relating to elimination of debt issue costs in connection with the repayment of bridge loans, vs. a loss of $999,269, or 89 cents per share, for last year's second quarter. The adjusted weighted average number of shares outstanding for computational purposes was 1,158,482 and 1,154,454, respectively, for the 1990 and 1989 quarters.

For the first half of 1990, game sales were $7,174,097 compared to $4,801,315 for the first half of 1989. After payments for prizes and related fees and allotments to hall operators, net gaming revenue was $1,834,649 in the first half of 1990 vs. a net gaming deficiency of $163,774 for the 1989 period.

The company sustained a loss of $156,034, or 15 cents per share, for the

first half of 1990, including the above-mentioned $50,000 extraordinary item, compared to a loss of $2,324,863, or $2.03 per share, for the first half of 1989. The adjusted weighted average number of shares outstanding for computational purposes was 1,156,468 and 1,154,454 for the first six months of 1990 and 1989, respectively.

In commenting on the results, Jack Saltiel, president and chief operating officer, stated, "Gamma achieved record revenues for the second quarter and first half of 1990, and substantially reduced losses from operations. We are now operating profitably and continue to add new bingo halls to our satellite-based network which currently supports daily high stakes bingo games played simultaneously in up to 44 halls operated by or on behalf of sovereign American Indian communities in 18 states.

Gamma's shares, warrants and units are traded on NASDAQ under the symbols GAMM, GAMMW and GAMMU, respectively.

GAMMA INTERNATIONAL, LTD.
(Unaudited)

Periods ended June 30:	Three months 1990	Three months 1989	Six months 1990	Six months 1989
Game sales	$3,642,730	$3,503,030	$7,174,097	$4,801,315
Payments of prizes & related fees & allotments to hall operators	2,699,188	3,487,812	5,339,448	4,965,089
Net gaming revenue (defic.)	943,547	15,218	1,834,649	(163,774)
Costs and expenses	1,023,059	1,031,713	1,956,465	2,178,543
(Loss) before extraordinary item	(68,487)	(999,269)	(106,034)	(2,324,863)
Extraordinary item	(50,000)	--	(50,000)	--
(Loss) after extraordinary item	(118,487)	(999,269)	(156,034)	(2,324,863)
(Loss per share) after extraordinary item	($0.11)	($0.89)	($0.15)	($2.03)
Adjusted wtd. avg. no. of shrs. outstdg. for computational purposes	1,158,482	1,154,454	1,156,468	1,154,454

CONTACT: Jack Saltiel, president of Gamma International, 214-869-4390, or Sam Witchel of Scharff, Witchel & Co., 212-983-1060, for Gamma International

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#90222p4303 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was released today by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service:

The Chrysler Corporation was sentenced today in federal court to pay $7.6 million in criminal fines for selling approximately 30 previously wrecked vehicles to consumers who believed they were purchasing new automobiles.

The corporation was also charged with disconnecting odometers on approximately 60,000 newly manufactured vehicles which were driven between one day to five weeks by Chrysler executives. Chrysler was also charged with changing odometers on vehicles which had accidently been left connected.

The scheme occurred between 1949 and 1986 and was discovered by U.S. postal inspectors as a result of a four-year-long investigation which resulted in Chrysler being convicted on 15 counts of mail fraud. The mail fraud charges came about because titles of the vehicles were sent to the consumers through the mail.

On Dec. 14, 1987, Chrysler Corporation entered a plea of no contest to the entire indictment.

St. Louis Postal Inspector-In-Charge L.S. Crawford Jr., and the U.S. Attorney's Office announced to date Chrysler has replaced all vehicles identified as having been previously wrecked, with the exception of vehicles involved in ongoing litigation. On Jan. 5, 1990, Judge John Nangle, who today sentenced Chrysler to pay the $7.6 million fine, ordered Chrysler to complete the terms of the settlement of a class- action suit by paying $500 each to 37,000 people worldwide. The awards went to people who purchased Chrysler cars with disconnected odometers that were previously driven by company executives. The consumers are also entitled to second payment that depends on the amount plaintiff's attorneys are awarded.

CONTACT: Lee Harrison, public information officer, U.S. Postal Inspection Service, 314-539-9460

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - LIN Broadcasting Corporation (NASDAQ: LINB) today reported record revenues and cash flow from its cellular operations for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Net revenue for the second quarter of 1990 attributable to LIN's cellular operations was $68.3 million, up 57 percent, compared to $43.5 million in the same quarter of 1989. Cash flow (income from operations before depreciation and amortization) for the second quarter of 1990 attributable

to LIN's interests in cellular telephone operations grew to $35.9 million, up 49 percent, compared to $24.1 million in the same quarter a year ago.

The number of cellular subscribers in the five systems in which LIN has interests grew to 470,000, a 59 percent increase compared to the 295,000 subscribers in the second quarter of 1989.

Net revenue for the second quarter attributable to LIN's seven broadcast television stations and its specialty publishing business was $42 million compared to $44.1 million in the second quarter of 1989. Cash flow (income from operations before depreciation and amortization) attributable to LIN's media operations was $21.6 million compared to $24.2 million in the second quarter of 1989. The decrease was due principally to increased costs associated with the expansion of news coverage and lower cash flow and revenues from its specialty publishing business. In contrast to the first six months, broadcast orders for the third quarter of 1990 are currently running approximately even with last year.

LIN reported net income of $18.1 million, or $.35 per share, for the second quarter of 1990, compared to $27.6 million, or $.52 per share, for the same period in 1989. The decrease was principally due to increased interest expenses incurred as a result of borrowings to purchase $425 million of Class A common stock of McCaw Cellular Communications, Inc., which was distributed as a dividend to all non- McCaw shareholders of LIN in connection with McCaw Cellular successfully completing its tender offer for 21.9 million shares of LIN's stock, and to legal obligations to former LIN officers arising from the completion of the tender offer.

Separately, LIN announced that it has obtained loan facilities totaling $2.1 billion from two bank syndicates and has completed its purchase of Metromedia's 46 percent direct and indirect interest in New York's non-wireline cellular system bringing its total ownership to approximately 93 percent. The loan facilities were oversubscribed by nearly $1 billion.

For information about the progress of LIN's operations, including all of its cellular investments on a proportionate consolidation basis, supplemental information follows which is not a part of LIN's financial statements.

LIN Broadcasting Corporation common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol LINB. LIN is engaged in cellular telephone operations, television broadcasting and specialty publishing. LIN has major ownership interests in cellular telephone systems serving the metropolitan areas of New York City, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston, owns and operates seven network-affiliated television stations, and publishes advertiser- supported hardcover magazines placed in the rooms of distinguished hotels in 37 metropolitan areas. McCaw Cellular Communications, Inc. owns approximately 52 percent

of LIN.

LIN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
(Consolidated, Unaudited)
(In thousands, except income (loss) per share)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$72,546	$66,236	$134,220	$119,133
Operating costs & exps.:				
Direct costs & expenses	40,355	31,585	76,656	62,176
Corporate expense	1,761	1,695	3,478	3,388
Depreciation	4,101	3,136	7,695	6,107
Amortization of intangible assets	1,066	1,000	2,078	1,985
Total	47,283	37,416	89,907	73,656
Operating income	25,263	28,820	44,313	45,477
Other income (expenses):				
Equity in income of unconsolidated cellular affiliates	26,666	17,107	47,801	31,314
Investment income	910	6,047	5,047	10,576
Non-recurring charges	--	(3,361)	(292,884)	(3,361)
Interest expense	(19,355)	--	(23,249)	(3)
Total	8,221	19,793	(293,285)	38,526
Inc. (loss) bef. prov. (benefit) for inc. taxes & minority interest	33,484	48,613	(218,972)	84,003
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	12,600	17,633	(61,999)	30,815
Inc. (loss) bef. minority interest	20,884	30,980	(156,973)	53,188
Minority int. in net inc. of consolidated cellular subsidiaries	2,762	3,421	5,655	5,408
Net income (loss)	18,122	27,559	(162,628)	47,780
Net inc. (loss) per share	$.35	$.52	$(3.16)	$.90
Avg. com. & equiv. shrs. outstanding	51,444	53,430	51,533	53,374

LIN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Supplemental Financial Data
(In thousands of dollars -- unaudited)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Cellular:				
Net revenue	$68,277	$43,542	$126,651	$80,517
Direct costs & expenses	16,444	10,114	30,979	19,951
Marketing	15,895	9,351	28,818	17,068
Depreciation & amortization	4,815	2,845	9,043	5,523
Operating income	31,123	21,232	57,811	37,975

Cash flow (A)	$35,938	$24,077	$ 66,854	$43,498
Percentage of net rev. (pct)	52.6	55.3	52.8	54.0
Cash flow bef. marketing	$51,833	$33,428	$ 95,672	$60,566
Percentage of net rev. (pct)	75.9	76.8	75.5	75.2
Media:				
Net revenues	$41,977	$44,063	$ 76,794	$78,372
Direct costs & expenses	20,387	19,832	40,145	38,392
Depreciation & amortization	2,463	2,300	4,783	4,471
Operating income	19,127	21,931	31,866	35,509

(A) Operating income before depreciation and amortization. The cellular operating data reflects proportionate consolidation of the accounts of the cellular operations in which LIN has an interest. In addition, for the periods ended June 30, 1990, the proportionate consolidation assumes that McCaw Cellular Communications, Inc.'s contribution to LIN of its 4.9 percent of the Los Angeles Cellular Telephone Company was completed on Jan. 1, 1990.

Note that LIN's consolidation statements of operations for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, and 1989 do not reflect proportionate consolidation for the cellular operations, but consolidations and equity accounting as required.

CONTACT: Donald Guthrie of LIN Broadcasting, 212-765-1902, or J. Garrett Blowers or John T. McInerney of the Abernathy/MacGregor Group, 212-371-5999, for LIN Broadcasting

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KIRKLAND, WASH (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - McCaw Cellular Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: MCAWA), achieved record levels of revenue and cash flow in the second quarter of 1990, reflecting the fundamental strength of its operations, continuing market penetration, and the consolidation of its financial results with those of LIN Broadcasting Corporation, the company announced today.

In the three months ended June 30, 1990, revenues increased 102 percent to $242.4 million from $120.1 million for the second quarter of 1989.

For the eighth consecutive quarter, cash flow (income from operations before depreciation and amortization) rose, increasing to $63.4 million in the second quarter of 1990 from $11.6 million in the comparable 1989 period.

During the quarter, the number of cellular subscribes in McCaw Cellular's markets, and in markets where McCaw and LIN have the right to buy a controlling interest, increased to 963,000 at June 30, 1990, up 62 percent

from 595,000 in the 1989 second quarter.

Craig O. McCaw, chairman and chief executive officer, said: "Our financial results and business progress in the second quarter reflect the strength of the company's operations as well as growing public recognition of the advantages of personal communications. We continue to build upon this strong performance, to increase that recognition, and to advance our strategic objective of a seamless, high-quality personal communications network spanning North America."

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, income from operations was $11.2 million versus a loss from operations of $36.0 million in the prior-year period. The second quarter net loss was $60.7 million, a decrease compared to the $87.5 million net loss for the quarter ended June 30, 1989. Non-cash depreciation and amortization expenses of $52.2 million represent a substantial portion of the 1990 second quarter net losses.

Net income for the first six months of 1990 was $791.1 million compared to a net loss of $185.2 million for the first half of 1989. Results for the six months ended June 30, 1990, include a non-recurring gain of approximately $1.2 billion during the first quarter from the sale of certain of the company's southeast cellular operations to Contel Cellular Inc. and the consolidation for accounting purposes of LIN, which is 52 percent owned by McCaw, as of March 5, 1990.

McCaw Cellular Communications, Inc. is the nation's leading cellular telephone company, with 59.5 million "pops." It currently offers service, primarily under the Cellular One(R) name, in over 100 markets across the country. Approximately 80 percent of McCaw's and LIN's "pops" are in the nation's 30 most populous markets and their contiguous service areas. McCaw Cellular operates major regional systems in California, Florida, Texas, the Pacific Northwest, the Midwest, the Rocky Mountain states and the Northeast. LIN Broadcasting holds significant interests in cellular systems in New York, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Dallas and Houston, operates seven network-affiliated television stations, and publishes advertiser-supported hardcover magazines placed in hotels.

MCCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited, in millions except per share amounts)

Periods ended	Three months		Six months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$242.4	$120.1	$422.4	$222.2
Expenses:				
Operating	173.2	105.9	317.0	201.0
Corporate	5.8	2.6	10.6	5.3
Total	179.0	108.5	327.6	206.3
Income from operations before				

depreciation & amortization	63.4	11.6	94.8	15.9
Depreciation & amortization	52.2	47.5	103.8	93.7
Income (loss) from operations	11.2	(35.9)	(9.0)	(77.8)
Other income (expenses):				
Interest expense	(119.7)	(64.4)	(196.0)	(124.9)
Gain on assets sold	17.8	1.5	1,173.0	1.1
Interest income	13.6	7.5	34.6	10.0
Equity in income of unconsolidated investees(A)	6.4	1.6	9.9	2.6
Other financing charges	--	--	(16.6)	--
Total	(81.9)	(53.8)	1,004.9	(111.2)
Income (loss) before tax expense, minority interest and extraordinary item	(70.7)	(89.7)	995.9	(189.0)
Tax benefit (expense)	21.5	--	(381.9)	(0.7)
Income (loss) before minority interest and extraord. item	(49.2)	(89.7)	614.0	(189.7)
Minority interest in (income) loss of consolidated subsid.	(11.5)	2.2	13.8	4.5
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	(60.7)	(87.5)	600.2	(185.2)
Extraord. item: tax benefit	--	--	190.9	--
Net income (loss)	(60.7)	(87.5)	791.1	(185.2)
Weighted average shares outstanding (000's)	177,996	134,534	178,690	133,124
Net income (loss) per share	(0.34)	(0.65)	4.43	(1.39)

Consolidated balance sheet data:	6/30/90	12/31/89
Working capital:		
McCaw Cellular	$155.1	$773.4
LIN	(425.1)(B)	--
Total	(270.0)	773.4
Property and equipment, net	756.1	630.3
Total Assets	6,527.8	3,041.3
Long-term debt and mandatory repurchase obligation:		
McCaw Cellular	3,276.5	1,786.4
LIN	--	--
Total	3,276.5	1,786.4
Shareholders' investment	2,257.0	1,004.0

(A) Includes amortization of $25.2 million and $0.9 million for the quarters ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively, relating to the amortization of intangible assets associated with the acquisition of certain unconsolidated investees.

(B) Includes short-term debt of $505 million.

MCCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Proportionate Operating Data

(In millions) The following operating data

reflects proportionate consolidation of the operations in which McCaw Cellular owned a significant interest as of June 30, 1990. During the first quarter of 1990, McCaw Cellular completed the sale of certain of its southeast cellular systems and the purchase of approximately 52 percent of the stock of LIN Broadcasting. The proportionate operating data presented below utilizes McCaw's ownership interests as of the end of the periods presented except that for periods prior to McCaw's acquisition of LIN Broadcasting, McCaw's ownership interests as of March 31, 1990 are utilized.

Periods ended	Three months		Six months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Cellular:				
Service revenue	$166.4	$102.3	$308.1	$186.9
Equipment revenue, net	.9	1.3	1.4	2.7
Total	167.3	103.6	309.5	189.6
Direct costs & expenses	64.0	47.0	119.5	88.8
Marketing	46.6	31.5	89.5	59.1
Total	110.6	78.5	209.0	147.9
Cash flow(A)	56.7	25.1	100.5	41.7
Cash flow as a percentage of service revenue(B)	34.0	24.6	32.6	22.3
Cash flow before marketing	103.3	56.6	190.0	100.8
Cash flow before marketing as a percentage of service revenue (B)	62.1	55.3	61.2	53.9
Proportionate subscribers	540,000	322,000	540,000	322,000
Broadcasting:				
Net revenues	$18.9	$19.5	$34.5	$35.1
Operating expenses	8.6	8.2	16.9	16.1
Cash flow(A)	10.3	11.3	17.6	19.0
Other:				
Net revenues	18.1	16.9	37.0	31.6
Operating expenses	11.9	11.4	26.4	21.8
Cash flow(A)	6.2	5.5	10.6	9.8

(A) Income from operations before depreciation and amortization.
(B) Percentages have been calculated on actual, not rounded numbers.

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RYE, NY (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Supradur Companies, Inc., (NASDAQ: SUPD) today reported the results of its operations for the second quarter and the first six months of 1990.

Sales for the second quarter were $7,088,000 as compared to $6,666,000 for the same period in 1989. The company incurred a net loss during the period of $889,000 or $.99 per common share compared to net income of $459,000 or $.49 per share in 1989. For the six months, sales increased to $13,378,000 from $13,021,000 for the same period in 1989. Net loss for the six months was $1,927,000 or $2.12 per share compared to net income of $789,000 in 1989.

K. Fred Netter, president, reported that the loss for the quarter was in part attributable to lower than expected sales of the products manufactured in the new Montreal facility. He announced that an exclusive agreement was entered into with an established Canadian building materials distributor for representation throughout Canada.

Netter said that the domestic building material subsidiary in Wind Gap, Pa., operated profitably for the quarter and these results should continue through the balance of the year.

Sales in the high-tech machining and sheet metal business increased over the first quarter of 1990 by 10 percent. However, this business operated at a marginal loss for the second quarter. Many of the items sold in 1990 were new bookings to the facilities which are not as profitable as "repeat" business, which had been the historical norm.

Netter said, "1990 is going to be a tough year as we are experiencing significant pressures on profit margins in all of our businesses."

Supradur Companies, Inc. is a diversified company with operating subsidiaries throughout the United States, Canada and Europe.

SUPRADUR COMPANIES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME (Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended		Six Months Ended	
	7/1/90	7/2/89	7/1/90	7/2/89
Sales	$7,088,000	$6,666,000	$13,378,000	$13,021,000
Foreign currency (loss)	(19,000)	(36,000)	(52,000)	(39,000)
Inc. (loss) bef. taxes	(926,000)	824,000	(1,995,000)	1,390,000
Taxes	(37,000)	365,000	(68,000)	601,000
Net income (loss)	(889,000)	459,000	(1,927,000)	789,000
Inc. (loss) per com. share	$(.99)	$.49	$(2.12)	$.84
Avg. shares outstg.	906,500	934,000	912,106	933,992

CONTACT: David M. Petulla, VP and treasurer of Supradur Companies, 914-967-8230

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#90222p4322 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, ORE. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Fabricland Inc. (NASDAQ: FBRC), Portland, Thursday, Aug. 9, declared their regular semi-annual dividend of 8 cents per share.

The dividend will be paid to shareholders of record as of Aug. 22, and will be paid on or about Sept. 6.

The company currently has 3,217,093 shares of common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Tony Bosboom of Fabricland Inc., 503-666-4511

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#90222p4328 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, CONN. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - First Connecticut Small Business Investment Company, a federally-licensed SBIC, said today the Small Business Administration has agreed it will take no action on its distribution of dividends made in excess of amounts permitted by SBA regulations if the excess is cured by March 31, 1991, the end of the company's current fiscal year. The company said it is working on a plan to meet SBA requirements.

The company said it is in the process of amending the notes to its financial statements for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990 to clarify the SBA's approval, subject to specific conditions, of the company's request that no action or acceleration of the due dates of the company's subordinated debentures owed SBA would be taken against First Connecticut for $1.7 million of distributions declared by the company through March 31 1990 in excess of retained earnings available under SBA guidelines.

The SBA told the company the violation must be corrected by replenishment through future earnings or by other means acceptable to the SBA by no later than March 31, 1991 and informed the company that it must expect the SBA to demand payment of all debentures then outstanding if the excess distribution is not restored in full by that date. The SBA also said any proposal to accomplish this other than through earnings must be advanced by the company to SBA for consideration.

First Connecticut previously reported it was amending its March 31, 1990 financial statements to add pertinent information concerning participation agreements relating to long-term loans and investments.

CONTACT: David Engelson of First Connecticut SBIC, 203-366-4726

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#90222p4329 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
RICHMOND, Va. (AUG 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Media General (AMEX: MEG.A) has released the following figures.

	MONTH			YEAR TO DATE		DIVISION
	1990	1989	Change	1990	1989	Change Revenues
($000)	$49,579	$45,516	$4,063	$355,643	$344,695	$10,948
Newspapers(a)	23,620	23,907	(287)	169,891	173,258	(3,367)
Newsprint	10,573	9,054	1,519	75,957	76,293	(336)
Broadcast	12,362	10,926	1,436	87,248	80,340	6,908
All Other	3,586	2,364	1,222	25,268	19,280	5,988
Less Intercompany Sales	(562)	(735)	173	(2,721)	(4,476)	1,755
NEWSPAPERS AD REVENUE ($000)	$19,016	$19,080	($84)	$139,403	$140,552	($1,149)
Richmond	6,861	7,004	(143)	49,689	51,106	(1,417)
Tampa	9,736	9,554	182	72,041	71,006	1,035
Winston-Salem	2,419	2,522	(103)	17,673	18,440	(767)
NEWSPAPER AD INCHES	652,889	677,602	(24,713)	4,915,900	5,139,634	(223,734)
Richmond	258,285	268,098	(9,813)	1,961,909	2,034,488	(72,579)
Tampa	231,731	236,721	(4,990)	1,749,774	1,832,134	(82,360)
Winston-Salem	162,873	172,783	(9,910)	1,204,217	1,273,012	(68,795)
NEWSPRINT PRODUCTION (TONS) Garfield	19,483	18,982	501	134,573	122,868	11,705

NOTE: All data are subject to later audit adjustments. Ad inches includes part-run inches counted in terms of its full-run

equivalent (a) 1989 and 1990 year to date data include results of the West Coast weekly newspapers which were sold in April 1990.

CONTACT: David L. Jordan, Media General, 804-649-6000

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#90222p4330 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - PHLCorp, Inc. (NYSE: PHX) today announced its unaudited operating results for the six months ended June 30 1990. A summary of results for the six and three month periods ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 is as follows:

PHLCORP, INC.

Periods ended:	Three months		Six months	

June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net income	$5,255,000	$3,261,000	$14,165,000	$11,783,000
Net income per common share	$.39	$.24	$1.05	$.87

Results of operations for the six and three month periods ended June 30, 1990 include a provision of $5,100,000 related to the restructuring of the trading stamp operations.

Through its operating subsidiaries, PHLCorp is engaged primarily in the trading stamps, motivation services and property and casualty insurance businesses.

CONTACT: Kay Wood of PHLCorp, 215-557-1800

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#90222p4332 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of both American Reliance Group Inc. (NASDAQ: ARIG), and its parent, American Reliance Insurance Company, voted today to indefinitely postpone further consideration of a joint plan to restructure their insurance business.

Under the plan, the insurance business of America Reliance Insurance Company would have been transferred to subsidiaries of American Reliance Group. American Reliance Insurance Company would then liquidate and its eligible policyholders would have exchanged their ownership interests in the mutual company for securities of American Reliance Group.

Last February the two boards voted to suspend consideration of their joint proposal for six months in order to evaluate the potential impact on the plan of New Jersey's Fair Automobile Insurance Reform Act (FAIRA). The legislation imposes taxes and assessments on insurance companies doing business in New Jersey to fund half the state's $3 billion deficit from its Joint Underwriting Association.

Bruce Herrick, chairman and chief executive officer of American Reliance Group, said, "Due to the adverse impact of FAIRA on the market of New Jersey property and casualty insurers' equity securities, both boards decided to indefinitely postpone the plan of restructuring."

Herrick further said the company is pursuing alternatives to lessen the impact of the FAIRA legislation on the business of the company and American Reliance Insurance Company.

American Reliance Group is a regional property and casualty insurance holding company which specializes in providing coverage form?all to me um size businesses and individuals in rural and suburban locations.

CONTACT: Dennis M. Bandish, senior vice president and CFO, or Karen S. Fulton, vice president and controller of American Reliance Group, (609) 896-1921, or Gerard W. Coffey of G.A. Kraut Company, (212) 696-5600, for American Reliance Group.

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#90222p4333 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to industry and consumer concerns, Holland America Line announced today it is guaranteeing all currently published cruise fares for all cruise departures through Jan. 31 1991. This guarantee applies to all bookings under deposit by Sept. 15, 1990.

While others in the vacation and travel industry may be raising rates due to increased fuel costs, Holland America Line plans no fuel surcharges at this time.

Holland America Line is notifying 40,000 U.S. and Canadian travel agencies by letter about the company's guarantee to protect current rates.

"We're taking this step because we feel it is important to inject a note of stability during these unsettled times. We want to assure consumers and travel agents it's still an excellent time to go ahead and book a cruise vacation," said A.K. Kirk Lanterman, Holland America Line president and chief executive officer.

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#90222p4337 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BINGHAMTON, N.Y. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Lawrence J. Schorr, president and chief operating officer of Resource Recycling Technologies, Inc. (AMEX: RRT) (RRT) made additional comments on RRT's second quarter earnings report. Schorr points out that while RRT's operating performance improved during the second quarter (including generating a pre-interest income and pre-investment gain operating profit in the last month of the quarter) the company incurred an operating loss in the second quarter of $228,000 before recognition of investment gains ($470,000) and interest income ($139,000). Schorr indicated that he remains positive on operating results for the third and fourth quarters of 1990.

CONTACT: Brian J. Feeley of Resource Recycling Technologies, Inc., 607-729-9331

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#90222p4338 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
BANGOR, Maine (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Nyle International Corp. ("Nyle"), a pink sheet, over-the-counter company, announced a consolidated net loss of $(1,096,786), $(.17 per share), for the calendar year ended Dec. 31, 1989, vs. a net income of $35,310, $.006 per share, for the calendar year ended Dec. 31, 1988.

The 1989 financial results included one-time write-offs in the last quarter of 1989 of investments in foreign ventures in the amount of $187,529 and a favorable lease, $219,847, for a total one-time write-off of $407,376, comprising 37.1 percent of the reported loss for the calendar year ended 1989.

Consolidated net sales for the calendar year ended 1989 were $7,468,036, a decline of 18.2 percent from sales of $9,127,765 for the calendar year ended Dec. 31, 1988.

For the first quarter ended March 31, 1990 (unaudited), Nyle's consolidated net loss was $(120,699), $(.019 per share), as compared to a consolidated net loss of $(114,727), $(.06 per share), for the first quarter ended March 31, 1989.

Consolidated net sales for the three-month period ended March 31, 1990 (unaudited) were $1,700,422, vs. consolidated net sales of $1,890,941 for the three-month period ended March 31, 1989.

For the six-month period ended June 30, 1990 (unaudited), consolidated net sales were $3,339,904, vs. $3,651,353 for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

For the six-month period ended June 30, 1990 (unaudited), Nyle suffered a consolidated net loss of $(204,205), $(.03 per share), vs. a $(274,826) net loss $(.04 per share) for the six-month period ended June 30, 1989.

CONTACT: Samuel Nyer, chief executive officer of Nyle International Corp.
207-942-4851

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#90222p4342 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Leucadia National Corporation (NYSE PSE: LUK) today announced its unaudited operating results for the six month period ended June 30, 1990. Income from continuing operations for the six month period ended June 30, 1990 was $53,915,000 or $4.33 per common share compared to $7,968,000 or $.59 per common share for the six month period ended June 30, 1989.

Loss from discontinued operations was $17,050,000 or $1.37 per common share for the six month period ended June 30, 1990 compared to income of $2,528,000 or $.19 per common share ($.18 on a fully diluted basis) for the six month period ended June 30, 1989. During the second quarter of 1990, the company entered into an agreement to sell a mature block of traditional life insurance which constituted the company's traditional life insurance business. Accordingly, the loss on disposition ($16,857,000, including a provision for income taxes) and the results of operations of such business have been presented as a discontinued operation. Discontinued operations also include the company's railcar leasing and management operations and the electronic visual communications subsidiary which were sold in 1989.

Net income was $36,865,000 or $2.96 per common share for the six month period ended June 30, 1990 compared with $10,496,000 or $.78 per common share ($.77 on a fully diluted basis) for the six month period ended June 30, 1989.

At March 31, 1990, the reported net assets of Cambrian & General Securities ("Cambrian"), a consolidated subsidiary principally acquired in 1989, were approximately $40,000,000 in excess of the company's investment in Cambrian at such date. In the second quarter of 1990, the company concluded that Cambrian's existing reserves were adequate to satisfy claims and other contingencies related to Cambrian's prior operations. Accordingly, since Cambrian has no continuing operations, such amount has been reflected in 1990 pre-tax results of continuing operations.

Prior to the second quarter of 1990, the company amortized deferred policy acquisition costs applicable to certain of its investment oriented insurance products over an eight year estimated life for the policies. The company's experience has been substantially better than anticipated and in the second quarter of 1990 the company changed the estimated life for such policies to thirteen years. As a result, continuing operations for 1990 reflect pre-tax credits of approximately $14,777,000 resulting from this change.

Included in income from continuing operations for the six month periods ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 were pre-tax net securities gains (losses) of ($965,000) and $936,000, respectively.

Included in pre-tax income from continuing operations for the 1989 period was a provision for restructuring the trading stamps operations of $5,100,000 and income from sale of certain properties of approximately $15,400,000.

Leucadia National Corporation is a holding company for its consolidated subsidiaries engaged in life insurance (through Charter National Life Insurance Company of St. Louis and First Charter Life Insurance Company of

New York), manufacturing (principally through its Leucadia, General Marble and Electri-cord Divisions), banking (principally through American Investment Bank, N.A.), equipment leasing and real estate development. Through its approximately 66 percent interest in PHLCORP, Inc. the company is also engaged in trading stamps (through The Sperry and Hutchinson Company, Inc.), motivation services (through S&H Motivation, Inc.) and property and casualty insurance (through Empire Insurance Company and Allcity Insurance Company). The company also currently has equity interests of more than 5 percent in the following domestic publicly owned companies: Carmike Cinemas, Inc. (16 percent of Class A Shares), Jones Plumbing Systems, Inc. (19 percent), Olympus Capital Corporation (24 percent) and Transportation Capital Corp. (13 percent).

CONTACT: R. Klindtworth of Leucadia National, 212-460-1900

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OMAHA, NE (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - America First PREP Fund 2 Limited Partnership reported earnings of $380,169 or $.2222 per BUC for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, and $738,596 or $.4314 per BUC for the six months ended June 30, 1990. The Partnership's earnings were $363,844 or $.2124 per BUC for the quarter ended June 30, 1989, and $710,908 or $.4148 per BUC for the six months ended June 30, 1989. Book value of the Partnership was $16.24 per BUC at June 30, 1990.

The Partnership's income consisted primarily of earnings from mortgage-backed securities. The Partnership is making monthly cash distributions to Beneficial Unit Certificate Holders at an annualized rate of 8.5 percent on the original capital contribution of $20 per BUC less mortgage principal payments received.

CONTACT: Maury Cox of America First PREP Fund 2 Limited Partnership, 402-444-1630

-30- 1053

#90222p4346 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - PharmaKinetics Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PKLB) today announced that its outside counsel has received a letter from the United States Attorney for the District of Maryland stating that the company and Dr. Mark Perkal, chief scientific officer, are now targets in an investigation in connection with the grand jury investigation of certain generic drug companies which have been clients.

The letter does not give any indication of the grounds upon which Perkal and the company are being investigated. The company is not aware of any facts or circumstances that would lead it to believe that Perkal or any

other employee has violated any laws. The company, as it has done over the last year, expects to continue to actively cooperate with this investigation.

Steven A. Woodman, president and chief executive officer of the company, stated: "This comes as a surprise to us given the active and positive nature of Dr. Perkal's and the company's assistance in the various government investigations of the generic drug industry over the last year. We believe that without our assistance and policies of test sample retention, policies that were created by Dr. Perkal, most, if not all of the alleged fraudulent acts of test sample switching by some generic drug companies would have gone undetected. This same assistance also enabled the government to substantiate products that were in fact authentic and thus validate the integrity of honest generic drug manufacturers." Commenting further, he said: "Our integrity and the actions of our employees in dealing with the alleged misdeeds of certain clients has already been closely scrutinized by other government agencies over the last year resulting in no material criticism. We are confident the integrity of our employees will again be confirmed."

PharmaKinetics Laboratories, Inc. is a leading pharmaceutical development company providing services to pharmaceutical and biotechnology firms seeking new drug approvals in the United States and Europe.

CONTACT: Steven A. Woodman, president and CEO, PharmaKinetics Laboratories, Inc., 301-385-4500

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KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Rhinos, giraffes and zebras will be found grazing on an African veldt. Wallabies and kangaroos will leap through the Australian underbrush. These animals and hundreds of other exotic species, will soon be at home in ecologically authentic environments at a newly expanded Kansas City Zoo. The expansion is possible due to a $50 million bond referendum passed by voters on Aug. 7.

The $50 million plan will generate funds to add about 100 acres to the current 80-acre zoo and will place animals in natural habitats rather than cramped cages. The expansion will allow room for the construction of an African exhibit, part of a new Australian exhibit, and a domestic animal area. This construction, expected to begin next summer, is only the first phase of what ultimately would be a $117 million expansion, doubling the number of animals and species at the zoo. The 81-year-old zoo will remain open to the public during construction.

The zoo's new design will be both innovative and unique. "This is the most imaginative approach to zoo planning," Jane Goodall, world- renowned

ape researcher, has said. "Kansas City will have one of the most important and effective zoos in the world."

A report published this month by Midwest Research Institute (MRI), estimated that the new zoo would double its attendance by 1994. Already Kansas City's third-largest tourist attraction, the zoo draws about 500,000 visitors a year. The expanded zoo is expected to have a total economic impact of $17.2 million a year, and create 471 new jobs in Kansas City, according to the MRI study.

The new zoo, scheduled to open in the spring of 1994, will include a $16 million educational and interpretive center, Kingdom of the Animals, which will feature an eight-story Imax movie screen, the world's largest.

Also in the plan is a large African exhibit that will incorporate the lagoon in Swope Park to create a "Zambezi River," where visitors can take a dugout canoe or a boat called the African Queen to view animals and visit a Masai village. The Kansas City Zoo is located in Swope Park, the country's second largest urban park consisting of 1,769 acres of recreational facilities.

The domestic animal area will include examples from the continents of Eurasia, Australia, North America and South America; featuring such attractions as pony and camel rides, a dairy barn, paddocks, and a demonstration barn.

CONTACT: Mary Steuby of Prime Time News Bureau, 816-221-2166, for the Kansas City Zoo

-30- 2746

#90222p4351 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Winthrop Insured Mortgage Investors II, A Limited Partnership (the "Fund"), announced today that they have entered into an agreement to sell one federally insured mortgage, which represents approximately 5.0 percent of the Fund's initial offering proceeds and is approximately 10 percent of the Fund's remaining assets. A closing is anticipated on Aug. 27, 1990.

The mortgage will be sold at a profit to the Fund and is expected to result in a distribution of approximately $1.58 per unit to unitholders of record as of Aug. 31, 1990, assuming the closing occurs as expected on Aug. 27. Approximately $1.22 per unit of this distribution represents return of capital and 36 cents per unit represents profit. The distribution from this mortgage sale, together with previous quarterly distributions attributable to it, result in a total average annual return of approximately 11.4 percent to original unitholders.

The regular quarterly distribution from the remaining six federally insured mortgages remaining in the Fund's portfolio is expected to be approximately 30 cents per unit per quarter. This represents a current return of approximately 9 percent to investors who have held units since the original offering.

The Fund was formed in July of 1983 and completed its initial offering of 3,867,659 units in December 1983. Units of the Fund are currently traded on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol WMI. The General Partners of the Fund are affiliates of Winthrop Financial Associates, A Limited Partnership ("Winthrop"), a Boston-based real estate investment and management company.

Winthrop controls a national portfolio of real estate valued in excess of $6 billion made up of approximately 30 million square feet of commercial space, 50,000 apartments and several hotels. The company has properties in 41 states and Canada.

CONTACT: Carol Mills of First Winthrop Corp., 617-330-8600, x8034

-30- 2148

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CLEARWATER, FLA. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - C.H. Heist Corp. (NASDAQ: CHHC) released year-end figures today reflecting all-time highs in both sales and earnings.

The fiscal year, ending June 24, showed sales of $65,005,890, a 22.6 percent increase of $11,998,601 over the previous year's sales of $53,007,289. Net earnings were increased by 65.1 percent, from $1,719,031 last year to $2,639,351 this year. Earnings per share jumped from $1.11 last year to $1.70 for this record year.

Fourth quarter sales were up 11.4 percent over the comparable quarter last year, from $14,619,944 to $16,287,235. Earnings for the fourth quarter were $573,800 this year as opposed to last year's fourth quarter earnings of $587,002. Earnings per share for the final quarter are $.37 vs. last year's $.38 per share.

President and chairman, C.H. Heist, cited the firm's exceptionally strong third quarter as a main contributor to the corporation's record-breaking year. "Weather conditions during the third quarter allowed us to start our traditional spring business surge earlier than usual. The slight dip in fourth quarter earnings was not due to a resultant incursion into fourth quarter activity, but rather was caused by increased taxes, as fourth quarter operational income was up over last year."

In commenting about the record year, Heist cited "across the board

increases. Industrial equipment-related sales were up 22 percent, painting was up 11.5 percent, and temporary help services were up 23.5 percent. In addition, our new acquisition, Pipe and Boiler Inc., contributed over $4 million in sales in its first year as a Heist affiliate. Overall, U.S. operations scored sales increases of 24.9 percent and Canadian sales were up 16.8 percent."

Capital expenditures for fiscal 1990 were $6,035,054, an increase over last year's expenditures of $4,190,797; despite this increase, working capital decreased by only $116,182. Stockholders' equity increased more than $3 million. The strong financial position of the company reflects a year-end current ratio of 3.3-to-1 and a quick-ratio of 2.8-to-1.

C.H. Heist Corp. is a multifaceted industrial services firm specializing in cleaning and maintenance services for a wide range of industries, including chemical, petrochemical, power generation, pulp and paper, nuclear and metallurgical plants and mills, especially those producing iron and steel. Pipe & Boiler Insulation Inc., is an installer and distributor of insulation materials, with emphasis on the industrial sector. Ablest, a Heist U.S. subsidiary, and Alert Personnel Services Ltd., a Canadian subsidiary, are temporary help organizations serving business, professional and industrial sectors with both white and blue collar professionals.

CONTACT: Richard J. O'Neil of C.H. Heist Corp., 813-461-5656

-30- 3054

#90222p4355 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORFOLK, Va. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Norfolk Southern Corporation (NYSE: NSC) announced today an offer to purchase shares of its common stock from stockholders who own fewer than 100 shares. Stockholder participation in this program is entirely voluntary.

Those who accept the offer and tender their shares will be paid a per share price equal to the average of the New York Stock Exchange Composite Transactions closing prices for Norfolk Southern common stock, as reported in The Wall Street Journal, on each day the stock is traded from August 10 through September 10, 1990.

Stockholders who participate in the offer will not have to pay brokerage commissions or other transaction costs. The offer to purchase shares will expire on September 10, 1990, unless extended by Norfolk Southern.

CONTACT: Robert C. Fort, assistant vice president-public relations, 804-629-2714, or J. Don Piedmont, director-public relations, 703-981-5407, both of Norfolk Southern Corporation

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#90222p4357 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CORAL GABLES, FLA. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - For the six months ended June 30, 1990 Avatar Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ: AVTR) reported consolidated net income of $13,607,000 ($1.59 per share) on total revenues of $89,839,000. For the comparable 1989 period Avatar reported consolidated net income of $711,000 ($.09 per share) on revenues of $76,657,000.

Operations for the three months ended June 30, 1990 resulted in net income of $13,374,000 ($1.54 per share) on revenues of $57,169,000 which included $26,598,000 from the sale of a portion of Avatar's Woodland Hills land inventory, located in northwestern Los Angeles County, Calif. This sale was consummated during June 1990 resulting in a pre-tax gain of $24,602,000. For the comparable 1989 period net income amounted to $751,000 ($.10 per share) on revenues of $42,264,000.

AVATAR HOLDINGS INC.

Summary of selected financial data for the periods ended June 30:
(Dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

	Six Months		Three Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues (A)	$89,839	$76,657	$57,169	$42,264
Income before income taxes	$22,219	$ 1,422	$21,708	$ 1,349
Provision for income taxes	8,612	711	8,334	598
Net income	$13,607	$ 711	$13,374	$ 751
Net income per common share:				
Primary				
Net income	$ 1.59	$ .09	$ 1.54	$ .10
Fully dilutive				
Net income	$ 1.59	$ .09	$ 1.53	$ .10
Total Assets	$546,067	$503,359	--	--
Stockholders' equity	$164,075	$146,995	--	--

(A) -- Homesite sales are recorded under the installment method of profit recognition.

CONTACT: Peter Kleinerman, executive vice president and treasurer of Avatar Holdings Inc., 305-442-7000, ext. 637

-30- 2121
#90222p4363 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODSIDE, N.Y. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - MSI Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ: MSIE), a New York City based manufacturer of semiconductors today reported third quarter and nine months' results for the period ended June 30, 1990.

MSI ELECTRONICS INC.

June 30	Quarter ended 1990	1989	Nine months ended 1990	1989
Sales	$331,033	$338,196	$894,054	$1,313,619
Net income (loss)	15,973	(32,917)	(47,641)	47,859
Net income (loss) per share	.01	(.03)	(.04)	.04

Net income per share based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding (1,197,020 in 1990 and 1,280,000 in 1989).

CONTACT: Albert Lederman, president of MSI Electronics, 718-672- 6500

-30- 978

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WOODSIDE, N.Y. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - MSI Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ: MSIE), a New York City based manufacturer of semiconductors today reported third quarter and nine months' results for the period ended June 30, 1990.

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CONTACT: Albert Lederman, president of MSI Electronics, 718-672- 6500

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NEW YORK, (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Global Utility Fund, Inc. (NYSE: GL), today issued the following:

Distribution Information

Amount	Payable Date	Record Date	Declaration Date
$0.135	June 29, 1990	June 15, 1990	May 16,1990

Investment Adviser Commentary: During the past seven months, Global Utility Fund's NAV total return performance beat the S&P 500 by about one-half of one percent. This was a period when domestic utility stocks trailed the average domestic stock by nearly ten percentage points. Factors which contributed to the Fund's outperformance included:

-- Strategic maneuvering of cash position.
-- Strong performance of foreign utilities.
-- Electrics overweighted relative to telephones and gas utilities.
-- Avoidance of Japanese equities.

Total Returns for the 7 months ended July 31, 1990:

Global Utility Fund (NAV)	3.40 pct.
S&P Utility Index	-6.90 pct.
S&P 500	2.80 pct.
MSCI World Index	-6.20 pct.

Portfolio Databank (As of July 31, 1990):

	Asset	Domestic/Foreign Mix By Asset Category	Top 5 Holdings
Stocks	79 pct.	69 pct./31 pct.	ENDESA
Bonds	20 pct.	79 pct./21 pct.	Telefonica
Cash	1 pct.	100 pct./0 pct.	Southwestern Bell
Total	100 pct.	73 pct./27 pct.	U.S. West
			Union Electric

Utility Sectors	Stocks	Foreign Equities (27 Percent)	
U.S. Electric	34 pct.	Spain	38 pct.
Non-U.S. Electric	7 pct.	United Kingdom	29 pct.
U.S. Telephone	27 pct.	Canada	15 pct.
Non-U.S. Telephone	13 pct.	Netherlands	7 pct.
U.S. Gas	10 pct.	Belgium	4 pct.
Non-U.S. Gas	3 pct.	West Germany	4 pct.
Water and Other	6 pct.	Italy	3 pct.
Total	100 pct.	Total	100 pct.

Performance Update

	Aug. 3	June 29	June 1	April 30
NAV per share	$11.08	$11.07	$11.10	$10.43
Closing price	$9.25	$9.50	$10.00	$9.75
Premium/(Discount) (percent)	(16.52)	(14.18)	(9.91)	(11.36)

General Overview

Global Utility Fund, Inc. is a diversified closed-end management investment company whose investment objective is to provide total return, without incurring undue risk, by investing primarily in income - producing equity and debt securities of domestic and foreign companies in the utility industries. The Fund's investment manager is Wellington Management Company. On Dec. 29, 1989 the Fund issued 13.4 million shares of common stock in connection with its initial public offering. On Jan. 25 1990 the Fund's underwriters exercised their option to purchase 2.01 million additional shares of the Fund's common stock. For further information on the Fund, call 212-214-3334.

CONTACT: Steve Fisher of Global Utility Fund, 212-214-3334

-30- 3484

#90222p4366 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - SUNSHINE MINING CO. (NYSE: SSC) Today announced a net loss of $10.4 million for the second quarter ended June 30 1990, compared to a $9.0 million loss reported for the second quarter of 1989. After giving effect to preferred dividend requirements, the company reported a loss applicable to common stock for the quarter of 14 cents per share. Revenues for the second quarter declined 17 percent to $18.8 million, compared with $22.5 million a year ago, primarily due to reduced prices for silver and oil during the quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the net loss was $19.6 million, virtually unchanged from the same period in 1989. After giving effect to preferred dividend requirements, Sunshine's loss applicable to common stock was 27 cents per share for the six months ended June 30, 1990. Revenues for the first six months of 1990 declined 12 percent to $40.1 million from $45.6 million during the same period of 1989.

Sunshine has periodically entered into hedging transactions in the futures markets for its various oil and precious metals products. As a result of the recent rapid rise in world crude oil prices, Sunshine liquidated its positions in the crude oil markets and realized a loss of $27 million. This loss will be reflected in the company's third quarter results.

As of June 30, 1990, Sunshine had existing cash and cash investments and working capital balances of approximately $64.9 million and $68.9 million, respectively. The aforementioned loss was funded out of the company's cash balances. The company continues to have cash balances and investments sufficient to fund its future operating cash requirements.

CONTACT: Harry B. Ireland of Sunshine Mining Co., 214-855-8700

-30- 1951

#90222p4369 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Bay Financial Corporation (NYSE: BAY) announced today that it filed this afternoon a Plan of Reorganization with the Bankruptcy Court in Boston on behalf of itself and certain subsidiaries. Bay Financial Corporation also announced today that The Newport Inn Joint Venture, a California general partnership, the interests in which are held by subsidiaries of Bay Financial Corporation, filed this afternoon a Liquidating Plan of Reorganization with the Bankruptcy Court in Boston. The filings are available for inspection at the Bankruptcy Court during normal court hours.

Attorneys for Bay Financial Corporation advised that Bankruptcy Court

hearings to approve disclosure statements must be completed before Bay Financial Corporation and The Newport Inn Joint Venture can solicit acceptances of the Plans, and that the Plans are subject to possible modification or withdrawal.

The Chapter 11 Cases of Bay Financial Corporation, certain of its subsidiaries, and The Newport Inn Joint Venture, commenced in November 1989.

CONTACT: Robert D. Meyer, vice president and treasurer of Bay Financial Corporation, 617-439-6046

-30- 1345

#90222p4370 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY, (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - CMI Corp. (AMEX: CMX) today announced results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

The company incurred a net loss for the quarter of $300,000 (3 cents per share) on revenues of $24,385,000 compared with net earnings of $1,326,000 (8 cents per share) on revenues of $30,278,000 for the second quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company has incurred a net loss of $766,000 (7 cents per share) on revenues of $44,576,000 compared with net earnings of $335,000 (1 cent per share) on revenues of $53,329,000.

The loss for the quarter and for the six months can primarily be attributed to the company's high level of legal expenses relating to its patent infringement lawsuits against five of its major competitors. These expenses amounted to $519,000 for the quarter and $1,104,000 for the six months. In May, the company received a jury award of $4,457,000, excluding interest, for damages in its lawsuit against the Barber-Greene Co. The court has yet to issue a decision regarding the computation of interest. Consequently the damages due the company for the Barber-Greene infringement will not be recognized until a final judgment is received, including prejudgment interest dating back to 1980.

In August, the company completed the trial testimony relating to the patent infringement damage case against Astec Industries. It is expected that the court will render a decision by the end of 1990. Two more patent infringement trials are tentatively scheduled to be heard in the next four to five months against Cedarapids Inc. and Bituma Corp.

The construction machinery industry has continued to be very sluggish, with depressed sales levels. The company's revenues declined 19.5 percent

in the second quarter and 16.4 percent for the six months when compared with last year. Despite the lower revenues for the six months in 1990, the company has been able to reduce its cost of sales and operating expenses, as a percentage of sales, when compared with 1989.

CONTACT: Jim D. Holland CMI Corp., 405-787-6020

-30- 2290

#90222p4372 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - At 3:30 p.m. today, Dean S. Marriott, senior deputy comptroller for bank supervision, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), declared The National Bank of Washington insolvent.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) was appointed as receiver. Today's action follows the OCC's appointment of a conservator for the bank on Aug. 1. The purpose of the conservatorship was to safeguard the bank's assets until a purchaser could be found.

The bank's insolvency was precipitated by default of the bank's parent company, Washington Bancorporation (WBC). In May, WBC defaulted on $25.8 million in commercial paper. The bank was directly and adversely affected by WBC's default. This prompted steady withdrawal of deposits, slowed only by news of a potential investment in WBC.

However, once second quarter losses were announced and potential investors declared that their plans to raise money for the bank had failed, the withdrawal of deposits accelerated.

On Aug. 1 WBC declared bankruptcy, prompting the OCC to place the bank into conservatorship. Although the conservatorship was done to safeguard the bank's assets and facilitate sale of the bank, deposit withdrawals continued.

The bank exhausted all available funding resources and was not able to develop any other private source of funds to meet its current obligations. This inability to meet its obligations in the near term resulted in today's declaration of insolvency.

The bank had experienced a substantial deterioration in loan quality and significant loan losses which resulted in a decline in bank capital. In the spring of 1990, the OCC obtained commitments from the board of directors to undertake measures to correct the bank's liquidity and capital problems. However, these efforts were unsuccessful.

The National Bank of Washington received a national bank charter on Dec. 28, 1885. On June 30, 1990, it had total assets of approximately $1.6 billion. The bank reported a net loss of $69 million during the first half

of 1990.

The FDIC is expected to release additional information about a purchaser for the bank later today.

CONTACT: Frank Vance of the Comptroller of the Currency, (202) 447-1800.

-30- 2457

#90222p4376 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - St. Joe Paper Company (NYSE: SJP) announced today that net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, was $10.4 million, or $0.34 per share, down 38.3 percent from the same period on 1989. The income for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, was $22.8 million , or $0.75 per share, down 32.4 percent from the like six-month period in 1989.

The decrease in net income was mainly in the forest products segment of the company and continues to be due to the decline in sales price of linerboard and containers and increased cost of sales and operating expenses.

The operating results of the transportation and sugar segments were up for the six-month period while the communications and real estate segments declined.

The company, headquartered in Jacksonville, is engaged in five separate business segments, with most of its operations in Florida. These include the integrated manufacture of linerboard and corrugated containers, the operation of two railroads, the management and development of company-owned real estate holdings, the cultivation, harvesting and processing of sugarcane into raw sugar and the providing of telecommunications services.

CONTACT: S.D. Fraser of St. Joe Paper Company, 904-396-6600

-30- 1438

#90222p4377 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (Aug. 10) PR Newswire - Federal Bankruptcy Judge Donald E. Cordova today confirmed the Denver Symphony Association's (DSA) plan of reorganization removing the final hurdle to the merger of the Colorado Symphony Orchestra and the DSA.

When giving his ruling, Judge Cordova said, "I want to compliment the lawyers, board and musicians for their time and efforts. Everyone compromised, giving something. Hopefully all will see a return. If this venture succeeds, the whole state will benefit."

"Judge Cordova's approval of the plan and the overwhelming support of our creditors ensures continued quality symphonic music in Colorado," said John Low, former chairman of the DSA.

"We expect to begin paying the DSA's priority claimants, the musicians and ticketholders, within the next several weeks," he added.

Confirmation of the reorganization plan enables the release of funds to the association from the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District. Part of these funds will be used to implement the reorganization. The balance will be used for the 1990-91 season.

Past supporters have already purchased subscriptions exceeding $500,000, for the upcoming season. Within the next four weeks the public, business and groups will be given an opportunity to purchase subscriptions. The resolution of the DSA's bankruptcy is expected to bolster subscriptions substantially.

"We are grateful for the confidence of the community and their wonderful demonstration of support for the new organization," said Will McFarlane, CSA board chairman. "And we are proud of the efforts of our musicians and volunteers in launching our exciting 1990-91 season."

CONTACT: Nancy Miller, attorney for the Denver Symphony Association, 303-861-4404, or Cathy Coffey-Weber of MGA Inc., 303-298-1818

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MINNEAPOLIS, (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Oxboro Medical International, Inc., is a Minneapolis-based holding company whose wholly owned subsidiary, Oxboro Medical, Inc., is in the business of developing, assembling, and selling medical and surgical devices.

The company indicated that increases in sales to current customers, sales to new customers and sales of products introduced during the previous year and in fiscal 1990 have contributed to increased revenues. The company's current growth is almost entirely from its existing product line with an increasing amount from new products. Increases in net income are attributable to higher sales, decreased costs of manufacturing, and increased non-operating income.

The company is currently negotiating to purchase property in Ham Lake, Minn., for construction of a new facility.

OXBORO MEDICAL INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Third Quarter Ended Nine Months Ended

	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenue	$607,276	$505,148	$1,747,973	$1,468,484
Percent increase	20.2		19.0	
Net income	$127,684	$80,656	$346,700	$195,570
Percent increase	58.3		77.3	
Net/share income	$.12	$.08	$.31	$.20

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MT. KISCO, NY (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Trans World Airlines Inc. (TWA) today reported an operating profit of $43.9 million for the 1990 second quarter and an operating loss of $56.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 1990, compared to operating profits of $80.5 million and $49.7 million, respectively, for comparable periods in 1989. The principal reasons for the reduction in operating profits in 1990 compared to 1989 are: (a) higher fuel costs (approximately $64 million higher for the first six months of 1990 than the comparable period in 1989); and (b) a general increase in the price to TWA of services and materials purchased, including certain contractual increases in labor rates and additional personnel employed to improve and maintain TWA's quality of service.

For the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, TWA reported net income of $103.4 million and a net loss of $39.6 million, respectively compared to a net loss of $4.4 million and $87.4 million, respectively, for the comparable periods in 1989. The improvement in TWA's net income is principally attributable to $160.2 million of net gains from sales of assets including: (a) $80.0 million from the sale of certain airport facilities at Chicago; (b) $44.8 million from the sale of aircraft; and (c) $37.0 million from sales of a portion of TWA's interest in WORLDSPAN, the passenger reservation system owned principally by TWA, Delta and Northwest.

In addition, net income was increased by an extraordinary gain of $19.8 million from the repurchase of $213.1 million principal amount of TWA's long term debt securities, some of which was repurchased at a discount.

TRANS WORLD AIRLINES INC.
Operating statistics
(Amounts in thousands)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue Plane Miles	69,326	70,295	135,651	135,116
Passenger Boardings				
Domestic	5,415	5,509	10,362	10,311

International	1,133	1,103	1,840	1,833
Revenue Passenger Miles				
Scheduled	9,223,031	9,297,309	16,331,059	16,400,036
Charter	56,956	20,220	182,091	44,124
Total	9,279,987	9,317,529	16,513,150	16,444,160
Available Seat Miles				
Scheduled	14,325,779	14,759,015	27,683,482	27,926,971
Charter	77,064	41,877	228,211	82,872
Total	14,402,843	14,800,892	27,911,693	28,009,843
Passenger Load Factor				
Scheduled	64.4%	63.0%	59.0%	58.7%
Breakeven	66.2	61.8	66.5	61.6
Revenue Ton Miles	1,094,071	1,113,369	1,986,032	2,003,105
Available Ton Miles	1,932,282	1,989,040	3,740,187	3,755,840
Payload Factor	56.6%	56.0%	53.1%	53.3%
Average Yield per RPM: (a)				
Domestic	12.58	12.50	12.83	12.79
International	9.52	9.19	9.53	9.31
System	11.25	11.13	11.52	11.46
Operating Expense Per: (a)				
Available Seat Mile	8.28	7.62	8.31	7.68
Available Ton Mile	61.68	56.66	62.04	57.25
Fuel Cost				
Domestic	$ 124,385	$ 118,536	$ 268,817	$ 222,644
International	63,863	61,936	124,542	106,179
System	$ 188,248	$ 180,472	$ 393,359	$ 328,823
Fuel Gallons Consumed				
Domestic	196,808	200,221	394,210	394,024
International	100,890	103,577	181,691	182,785
System	297,698	303,798	575,901	576,809
System Price per Gallon	63.23	59.41	68.30	57.01
Number of Employees (b)	34,099	32,921	33,753	32,355
Number of Active Aircraft	211	215	--	--

(a) Based on scheduled operations excluding minor charter operations.
(b) Average number of equivalent full time employees.

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MARKHAM, ONTARIO, (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Magna International Inc. (Toronto Stock Exchange: MG.A, MG.B; NASDAQ: MAGAF) through its wholly owned subsidiary Decoma International Inc., has agreed with Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F), through its wholly owned subsidiary Ford Electronics Manufacturing Corporation (FEMCO), to invest in Conix Canada Inc.

Conix Canada Inc. will be owned 51 percent by Decoma and 49 percent by

FEMCO. Prior to FEMCO's investment, Conix Canada will acquire from Magna and Decoma a state-of-the-art 530,000 square foot plastic moulding and painting facility, including related manufacturing equipment, currently under construction. The facility, located in Guelph, Ontario, will start production in early 1991.

Conix Canada also will acquire Tycos Tool & Die, a mould making facility, located in Concord, Ontario, from Decoma.

The facilities on Conix Canada will produce plastic exterior systems and the related moulds and tooling for sale to the automotive market. As a result of this investment, the shareholders' plastic exterior body systems capacity will be increased, and the supply of components to Ford will be facilitated. FEMCO's investment in Conix Canada will provide cash to Magna as part of its debt reduction plan.

Magna also announced that Ford Motor Company has agreed to purchase and leaseback the land and building of Ligma Corporation (a subsidiary of Magna based in Nashville, Ill.). In a related transaction, Ford has agreed to provide a loan to Decoma International of America, Inc.

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ST. LOUIS, (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The May Department Stores Co. (NYSE: MA) and Venture Stores Inc. announced today that because of current market conditions they have postponed the initial public offering of Venture common stock and that they intend to complete the offering as soon as market conditions allow. May and Venture also said that Venture has completed all conditions to the initial public offering of Venture common stock, including the sale/leaseback and financing transactions (the mortgage and the revolving credit financings).

May confirmed that it expects to complete the spin-off of May's remaining interest in Venture to May's common shareowners following the offering, completing May's previously announced disposition of Venture before the end of the year. In addition, May said that sales for Venture for the first six months of 1990 were $603 million, a 6.7 percent increase over the first six months of last year (a 3.7percent increase on a store-for-store basis) and net earnings were $4.1 million, an increase of $1.0 million (30 percent) over the first six months of last year (net earnings comparisons are against pro forma results adjusted to reflect the sale/leaseback and financing transactions), after recording a $3.2 million pre-tax LIFO charge compared to $2.0 million for the first six months of last year.

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#90222p4401 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Due to the numerous requests from national media, John Chandler, president of Roadway Package System, the nation's second largest ground package shipper, today said, "Due to the potential UPS-Teamster strike, plus the continuing growth of our business, we are experiencing an unprecedented surge in demand for our service. During the last 10 days, our volume has increased 30 percent. We are now running at maximum capacity with all of our people working long hours to pick up and deliver as many packages as possible. All of our capacity is dedicated to protecting current customers. We cannot, at this time, accept any new customers."

CONTACT: Nelson Habenicht of Roadway Package System, 412-262-6609; or David Fleeger of Blattner/Brunner Inc., 412-263-2979, for Roadway Package System

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PITTSBURGH (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Amalgamated Investment Corp. announced today that Michael C. Arnold has been appointed president and chief executive officer of Amalgamated Investment Corp. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Papercraft Corp., effective immediately.

Arnold has recently served as an executive and consultant for various companies in the Northeast. He succeeds Edward C. Seltzer, who retired. Amalgamated Investment Corp. and Papercraft Corp., through their wholly owned subsidaries, are primarily engaged in the business of manufacturing and selling kitchen textiles and accessories and fabric softener sheet products.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Oil Co. said Friday it lowered its wholesale gasoline prices in the Atlanta metropolitan area by 1.0 cents per gallon.

The price decrease took effect at 12:01 a.m. Friday. Yesterday Amoco

announced it would freeze its wholesale gasoline and posted distillate and jet fuel prices through Aug. 15, and that it might lower prices in individual markets if market conditions allow.

"Competitive market conditions in Atlanta have allowed us to make this move," said John C. Bergman, Amoco's East Zone marketing vice president. "This price decrease is in line with our pledge to price our products in a reasonable and responsible manner." Amoco dealers and jobbers are independent businessmen and establish their own prices at their outlets.

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Tosco Corporation (NYSE: TOS) announced today that it has called for redemption on Sept. 10, 1990, of all of its shares of $2.375 Series E convertible preferred stock, par value $1 per share. The redemption price is $25 per share, plus $.46181 per share in accumulated and unpaid dividends up to the redemption date, or a total of $25.46181 per share.

Holders of Series E preferred stock may (upon surrender of their stock certificates to First Interstate Bank, Ltd., together with all required documentation) convert any or all of their shares of Series E preferred stock into common stock, par value $.75 per share, at the conversion price of $9.565 (equal to a conversion rate of 2.614 shares of common stock for each share of Series E preferred stock). Fractional shares of common stock will not be issued upon conversion, but instead Tosco will pay each holder of Series E preferred stock in cash an amount equal to the product of the closing price of a share of common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on Sept. 5, 1990, and the fraction of a share. Series E preferred stock may be converted into common stock until the close of business (5 p.m., Los Angeles time) on Sept. 6, 1990, after which the right to convert permanently expires. All Series E preferred stock not converted into common stock by that time will be redeemed at the redemption price without interest upon the surrender of the shares.

Tosco has entered into a "standby agreement" with Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. under which Bear, Stearns has agreed, subject to certain conditions, to purchase all shares of Series E preferred stock surrendered for redemption or not duly surrendered for conversion. Tosco may, however, upon notice to Bear, Stearns, redeem any shares of Series E preferred stock surrendered for redemption or not duly surrendered for conversion. Any shares so redeemed by Tosco will not be subject to the standby purchase arrangements. Each holder of Series E preferred stock who surrenders shares for redemption will be deemed to have agreed to the purchase of his

shares by Bear, Stearns in accordance with the standby agreement.

Tosco's board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.15 per share on the common stock payable on Oct. 1, 1990, to holders of record of the common stock on Sept. 21, 1990. Holders of shares of Series E preferred stock will be entitled to receive such dividend payment if they convert their shares of Series E preferred stock into common stock on or prior to Sept. 6, 1990, and continue to hold such shares of common stock through the record date of Sept. 21, 1990. No payment or adjustment in respect of accumulated and unpaid dividends on the Series E preferred stock will be made upon conversion of Series E preferred stock.

Tosco is a large independent oil refiner engaged in the refining and marketing of wholesale petroleum products on the West Coast of the United States and one of the largest U.S. manufacturers and wholesale distributors of phosphate-based fertilizer products.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Holding Corp. (NASDAQ: UHCO) announced today that its rights offering to its shareholders which was to expire on Aug. 13, 1990, has been extended to Aug. 24, 1990.

Pursuant to the terms of the rights offering, all shareholders of record as of the close of business on July 2, 1990, received one right for each share owned. Each right entitles the holder to purchase for $1.00 a unit which consists of one share of common stock and one-half of a three-year warrant to purchase an additional share of common stock at $1.00. The rights also entitle shareholders to subscribe for additional units subject to availability and allocation. The rights are transferable.

Universal also announced that as of Aug. 10, 1990, a total of 727,220 units had been subscribed for, including 697,500 units subscribed for by Universal's controlling shareholder, Barasch Associates Limited Partnership. This satisfied the minimum sale requirement of the offering (which was 687,967 units).

Each NASD member who executes a dealer agreement with the company and who is designated on the subscription form as the procuring broker will receive a commission of 7 percent from the company.

Universal Holding Corp. is the parent company of Johns Adams Life Insurance Company of New York and Quincy Coverage Corp.

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#90222p4422 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELGIN, Ill. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Safety-Kleen Corp. (NYSE: SK) announced on Friday the retirement of Russell A. Gwillim, 68, as chairman of the board. In recognition of his contributions to the company, the board elected him chairman emeritus and he will continue to serve as a director.

Donald W. Brinckman, 59, who found the obscure and unprofitable Milwaukee-based company called Safety-Kleen in 1968, and has been Safety-Kleen's only president and chief executive officer since that time, has been elected chairman of the board. In addition, he will retain his duties as CEO.

Elected to succeed Brinckman as president is Joseph F. Knott, 54, the company's executive vice president. He has also been named chief operating officer and will serve on the board as a director. This increases the size of Safety-Kleen's board of directors to nine.

Commenting on the retirement of Gwillim and the management changes enacted by the board, Brinckman stated that "Russ had been one of the earliest friends of Safety-Kleen and was instrumental in persuading CR Industries to purchase the company. Even though he hasn't been involved in the day-to-day management of Safety-Kleen over the years, he backed our decisions with wise counsel and decisive action. We're fortunate to have him continue to do this as a director.

"The actions taken by the board today don't signal the end of an era at Safety-Kleen. Instead, it affirms the principles that we've operated under for almost 22 years," Brinckman commented. "With the election of Joe Knott as Safety-Kleen's president, a continuity in management philosophy has been assured that should successfully guide our company through this decade, and well into the next century," he concluded.

Safety-Kleen Corp. is the world's largest provider of parts cleaner services and related solvent recycling, with 264 branches located around the world serving over 425,000 customers. The company also collects a variety of hazardous and quasi-hazardous liquid wastes from automotive repair outlets, industrial plants, dry cleaners and other waste generators. The collected fluids are recycled or re-refined at one of the company's 19 recycle, re-refining or processing centers. These reclaimed fluids are then either reused, or blended into fuels for use in cement kilns or industrial furnaces.

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#90222p4423 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
(AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - During the past several weeks there has been a considerable amount of news coverage of activities in the Courts regarding the asbestos liability crisis. As you may know, Manville Corporation emerged from Chapter 11 reorganization in 1988. The Manville Personal Injury Trust was established as a totally independent organization to handle all health injury claims from exposure to Manville asbestos. The Trust has been the focus of several articles and Court activity. Ways are currently being discussed regarding how the Trust can restructure its payment procedures and how the financing structure can be changed to assist the Trust with its liquidity problems. The following briefing paper is designed to provide you with background information and Manville Corporation's position on these subjects.

Some key points are: -- Manville may not be involved in settlement or payment of any health claims. That is the sole responsibility of the Manville Personal Injury Trust.

-- The plan of reorganization relies on a strong injunction which separates the Trust from the Company, and requires that all health claims for injury from exposure to Manville asbestos be directed to the Trust.

-- Manville is a strong, viable corporation. It is essential for the present and future operations of the Trust that the company remain strong. This is the only way that the Trust can realize the true value of its present and future assets to pay claims. In the plan of reorganization all parties agreed that keeping Manville as a viable operating company was the only way to provide the long term funding needed by the Trust to pay claims.

-- Manville has met and, in fact, exceeded all obligations under the Plan of Reorganization, prepaying notes to the Trust of $56 million last December and offering to help the Trust with liquidity problems last fall with a proposed repurchase of $500 million in stock (the offer was not pursued).

-- As recently as last week, Manville offered a suggestion that would infuse hundreds of millions of dollars into the Trust in the next several years, beyond the nearly $500 million it will receive under current plan provisions in the next five years.

-- The issue is how claims are paid with the limited resources available, and over what time period.

-- Manville has already spent extensive time, energy and resources analyzing ways to help the Trust deal with its liquidity problems, and is

actively involved in current discussions to find a financially viable solution in the best interests of all constituencies, the current and future claimants, the company's customers and employees, and all shareholders.

-- The Trust owns up to 80 percent of Manville's common stock. The rest is traded on the New York Stock Exchange (MVL).

-- Manville is not in bankruptcy. Manville produces no asbestos products.

We make every effort to always be available for media inquiries. After hours, weekends and during holidays, you can call 303-978-2000. Ask the security department to find a Corporate Relations representative. During the work week, 7:30-5 p.m., call 303-978-2350.

Recent court activity and media coverage have focused on ways to get more money into the hands of asbestos claimants, and to get it to them faster. Judges all across the country, both independently and jointly, are saying that the asbestos issue is becoming a national crisis. Some judges are now calling for class action suits to resolve how to pay those claims.

This activity, and the resulting media coverage, has focused attention on Manville's role of compensating victims through the Manville Personal Injury Settlement Trust which was established under the company's plan of reorganization to pay all asbestos health claims against the company.

The health trust and the asbestos claimants they represent own up to 80 percent of Manville common stock, as well as substantial unsecured debt and profit interests in Manville. The company's obligation is well defined. And, the claimants are entirely dependent on a healthy, growing and secure company to produce the value that will pay their claims. All alternatives were rejected by the court and claimants committees during the reorganization proceedings because they meant far less value for asbestos claimants.

Today, the Trust estimates the value of its estate at $1.35 billion, including the present value of the company's unsecured $1.8 billion bond and its holdings of up to 80 percent of the Manville common stock, but excluding the value of its profit sharing interest in the company. The Trust also is to receive 20 percent of all Manville net profits for ever if needed to pay claims, beginning in 1992 and based on 1991 profits. This has not been factored into the $1.35 billion estimate.

With 150,000 claims and the average settlement to date at $43,500 for the approximately 22,000 claims already settled by the Manville Trust, the total liability for claims already filed could be several billion dollars, if a significant portion of the claimants manifest injury. Manville sought reorganization under Chapter 11 because the assets of the company

were far exceeded by projected liabilities for asbestos injury. The company had two major goals in its Chapter 11: to find a way to efficiently provide compensation to those who were injured; to pay those who were injured according to their illness.

Recognizing that there was not sufficient money to pay claims, therefore, is not new. And, it was determined in the plan of reorganization that the only way to provide maximum value over time was to have an ongoing variety of funding mechanisms which would be paid over time and grow in value. This relies on Manville's continuing as a strong company to meet those long term funding obligations and provide maximum value to not only present claimants, but those who will become ill in the future from earlier exposure to company asbestos.

In a May 29, 1990 Memorandum to the U.S. District Court, the Trust stated: "The only way the Trust can fund the payment of all claims it has received is over time through the realization of a share price which better reflects the value of Manville Corporation's cash flow, through receipt of the full $1.8 billion face value of the Trust Bonds, and through the preservation of Manville as a healthy growing business capable of earning a steady stream of profits for the Trust's use."

Judge Jack Weinstein, U. S. District Judge from Brooklyn, New York, said in his court on August 6, that the Plan relied on a strong company and the strong injunction which separates the company from asbestos related suits.

The injunction is critical to the investing and financial community. Without this confidence and support, the Trust will be unable to achieve fair value from its stock when it is sold into the market to raise funds to pay future settlements.

Challenges to the Plan or injunction would destroy this confidence and be devastating to the people it was designed to protect. This does not mean that restructuring the way that the Trust pays claims, or that changing the way funding is provided to the Trust, are not important considerations which need to be addressed. Manville's management and directors have spent extensive time and effort, using some of the best legal and financial consultants available, to examine ways to assist the Trust with its cash flow needs. The injunction specifically prohibits the company from being involved in claims settlement procedures---that is the sole responsibility of the Trust. Manville's obligation is to be strong and profitable to meet its obligations to all shareholders, particularly the major owner, the claimants, who hold up to 80 percent of our common stock.

In late 1989, Manville proposed a $500 million repurchase of stock from the Trust to help with its liquidity problems. That proposal was not accepted. In December, Manville pre-paid approximately $50 million in notes to the Trust. Manville also has agreed to pay certain fees of

financial advisers to the special representative of the District Court in order to assist him as he prepared his recommendations to judge Weinstein.

Manville remains willing to work cooperatively with all appropriate parties and the judiciary to continue to find solutions to the current issues facing the Trust.

BACKGROUND Shortly before Manville's filing under Chapter 11 in 1982, asbestos health litigation had already reached crisis proportions. Manville faced 17,000 pending claims. Independent epidemiological and other studies predicted at least as many as 50,000 additional suits by persons suffering various forms of asbestos-related injury.

Manville's filing for reorganization was unusual for two reasons: it was one of the first significant filings occasioned by tort liabilities and, at the time of the filing, Manville was a healthy, profitable Fortune 500 company.

Manville filed before the financial effect of its asbestos liabilities had crippled company operations; cut off Manville's sources of capital; and, cut off Manville's businesses. Manville avoided piecemeal destruction and made the decision to retain its ability to function as an economic enterprise. This decision preserved the values necessary to pay claims, particularly to asbestos health claimants.

Four years of complex, often bitter negotiation and litigation ensued among all interested parties who had a financial stake in Manville -- not just present and future asbestos health claimants, but commercial creditors and shareholders as well. A plan of reorganization was finally devised, voted upon and confirmed in 1986.

By that time, the number of asbestos health claimants had grown far beyond original estimates. At the time of the confirmation of the Plan in 1986, estimates were made during the Chapter 11 proceedings that there could be as many as 100,000 asbestos health claimants. No party in interest -- including the asbestos Health Committee, the Legal Representative for Future Claimants, or the other companies involved in asbestos litigation (co-defendants) disputed this estimate. The fact that no one was able to estimate the ultimate number of claims or the cost of those claims was the basis for many of the variable funding components of the Plan.

The Plan was designed around two principles. The first and overriding principle is to deliver the maximum value possible to pay asbestos health claimants.

After exhaustive analyses and concurrence by investment bankers, all parties agreed that maximum value could only be achieved by keeping the productive value of the Manville economic organization intact for the

benefit of asbestos health claimants. Ultimately, any other approach, including liquidation, would produce substantially less value to asbestos health claimants than if Manville, as an economic enterprise, were permitted, to function, grow and generate income.

The permanent injunction issued by the bankruptcy court gives Manville the necessary protection from asbestos claims that it needs to operate effectively and competitively, including accessing the capital markets. The injunction is also critical to the fair valuation of Manville securities, the great portion of which are held by the Trust for the claimants.

The second principle underlying the Plan is that Manville, the corporate entity, should not be involved in any way in the handling or disposition of asbestos health claims.

For many reasons, including suspicion and distrust of the company when the Plan was designed, the asbestos health constituency demanded that some entity other than Manville be established to resolve, as fairly and expeditiously as possible, asbestos health claims. To that end the Trust was created, governed by five totally independent trustees, to evaluate and settle the health claims of all beneficiaries of that Trust - including persons whose asbestos-related injuries had manifested, as well as those individuals who would, in the future, develop an asbestos-related disease as a result of previous exposure to Manville's asbestos.

The first and cardinal principle -- to deliver the maximum value to asbestos health claimants by preserving the ability of the Manville economic organization to survive, grow, and fund asbestos claims -- was achieved under the Plan by creating the injunction and then by providing funding to asbestos health claimants in two phases: -- Funding of $815 million cash and notes, 24 million shares of common stock (50 percent of the shares currently outstanding) and 10 years of bond payments at $75 million per year for initial claims. -- Due to the unknown number of ultimate claims, an additional 72 million common shares (through conversion of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock), an additional 14 years of bond payments at $75 million per year, and up to 20 percent profit-sharing would become available, if needed.

In total, the potential funding equals up to 80 percent of the common stock of the company, $1.8 billion in bond payments beginning in 1991 (24 years at $75 million per year) and up to 20 percent in net profits for as long as needed, beginning in 1992, based on 1991 profits.

In short, asbestos health claimants are the ultimate beneficiary of the significant portion of the reorganized Manville.

To the extent that Manville grows and is profitable over the years, the

asbestos health claimants realize that increased value through the amount of profit sharing and further increased market value of the common stock. Growth and profits for Manville mean more value to pay asbestos health claims, whether the number of claims turns out to be the 150,000 claims reported in 1990, or even higher.

Actions which threaten the confidence of Manville's customers, employees and commercial creditors undermine the company's ability to make future payments under the bond to the Trust; threaten the amount of the 20 percent future profit sharing to the Trust; and undermine the market value of the up to 80 percent of the company's common stock held by the Trust, which will be sold to raise cash to pay claims.

For example, actions which cause the market price of Manville common stock to drop by $1 translate into a direct loss to the Trust and asbestos health claimants of $96 million that could otherwise be used to pay claims. That means less money for the Trust to compensate asbestos health claimants. Manville common stock is presently trading at a multiple of approximately 7 times earnings. If Manville common stock traded at the rough market multiple of its industry peer group of about 9 times earnings that would mean nearly $200 million more in value available to the Trust to pay asbestos health claims.

No one can say how long it will take to pay all asbestos health claims. The human and financial costs, already staggering, continue to increase. Given the long-term solution required, the strength of Manville and the existence of the permanent injunction are imperative.

The difficult task of managing and dispersing the Trust's investments in Manville is the responsibility of the five trustees. They must consider the interests of the various beneficiaries--including present and future asbestos health claimants, and co-defendants.

Decisions on using the resources available to pay asbestos claims is complex. Guided by collective judgment and tempered by normal human concern for injured human beings, the questions the trustees face are not simple.

The Plan, in summary, recognizes that the only way to deliver maximum value to asbestos health claimants is to preserve, protect, and nurture Manville's economic viability and potential; to make that value available to the Trust to pay asbestos health claimants; and to have that value administered by independent trustees, charged with making difficult

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ELGIN, Ill. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting held today, the board of directors of Safety-Kleen Corp. (NYSE: SK) declared a quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per common share, payable Sept. 27, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 13, 1990.

Safety-Kleen is the world's largest provider of parts cleaner services and related solvent recycling. The company also collects a variety of hazardous and quasi-hazardous liquid wastes from automotive repair outlets industrial plants, dry cleaners and other waste generators. The fluids are recycled or re-refined for reuse or blended into fuels for use in industrial furnaces or cement kilns. Safety- Kleen's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the trading symbol SK.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Oil Co. said Friday it lowered its wholesale gasoline prices in the metropolitan areas of Ft. Lauderdale-Miami by 1.0 cents per gallon and in the Tampa area by .8 cents per gallon.

The price decrease took effect at 12:01 a.m. Friday. Yesterday Amoco announced it would freeze its wholesale gasoline and posted distillate and jet fuel prices through Aug. 15, and that it might lower prices in individual markets if market conditions allow.

"Competitive conditions in these markets have allowed us to make this move " said John C. Bergman, Amoco's East Zone marketing vice president. "This price decrease is in line with our pledge to price our products in a reasonable and responsible manner." Amoco dealers and jobbers are independent businessmen and establish their own prices at their outlets.

CONTACT: William Huntington or Richard Judy, 404-512-6850, both of Amoco

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PLYMOUTH, MN (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - In Home Health, Inc. (NASDAQ/OMS: IHHI (common stock), IHHIU (1988 units), IHHIW (Class A Warrants), IHHIL (1990 units), IHHIZ (Class B Warrants), IHHIM (Class C Warrants).

In Home Health, Inc. announced that its public offering of units consisting of common stock and warrants became effective today. The size of the offering was increased from 5,000 units to 6,000 units, for total gross proceeds of $3,000,000. Each $500 unit contains 364 shares of common stock, 364 Class B warrants and 364 Class C warrants. The exercise of the Class B and Class C warrants are $1.50 per share and $2.75 per share, respectively. The net proceeds of the offering will be used by the company principally to finance planned expansion into new geographic areas planned expansion into the home infusion pharmaceuticals market and for

general working capital purposes.

CONTACT: Kenneth Figge of In Home Health, 612-545-0102

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BOSTON (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Chancellor Corporation (NASDAQ: CHCR) announced today a net loss for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $8.9 million. The aggregate operating loss from continuing operations before taxes is $10.7 million and, after taxes, is $8.4 million. The loss is primarily attributable to reserves in the amount of $8.1 million taken for the doubtful collectability of certain obligations from lessees experiencing severe financial difficulties and for losses on the anticipated sale of certain assets. The remainder of the loss includes the reduction of $1.0 million of rental income related to the Chapter 11 filings of Greyhound Lines, Inc. and Circle K Corporation, $.5 million in legal, administration and consulting costs related to the company's new borrowing agreements, and reduced syndication levels of underwritten equipment leases.

Chancellor Corporation also announced today that it has entered into an agreement with a group of the company's lenders to extend and amend certain loan and forebearance agreements initially entered into in April 1990 among the company, its affiliates and the lenders. The new agreement provides for an extension of the loan facility and for continued forebearance and collateralization of the outstanding balances of the credit facility through Oct. 31, 1990.

Founded in 1977, the company has, in recent years, concentrated on the leasing of transportation equipment. It is also involved in the leasing of aircraft, communications, medical, agricultural and other equipment. Chancellor Corporation common stock is listed on the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASDAQ) National Market System.

CONTACT: Stephen G. Morison, president and chief executive officer, or William C. Sprong, senior vice president, treasurer, and CFO, 617-728-8500 both of Chancellor Corporation

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#90222p4445 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Friday suspended the Environmental Division of Science Application International Corp. (SAIC), San Diego, Calif., from future federal government contracts as a result of suspected improprieties. The suspension is effective immediately and will continue for up to 18 months, during which time EPA will decide whether to debar the company from

receiving any federal contracts and grants.

"EPA must be assured that work conducted under contract to the federal government is performed properly. The public must have full confidence that agency decisions are being made on the basis of reliable information " said Daniel W. McGovern, regional administrator for EPA's San Francisco office. "When EPA suspects that the integrity of a company has been compromised we will aggressively investigate the matter and, when appropriate, propose and implement a suspension. If warranted, we will seek a complete debarment from any future federal government work."

Environmental Chemistry Laboratory, a subsidiary of the Environmental Division of SAIC, is located at 10260 Campus Point Drive, San Diego, Calif. The laboratory is a participant in EPA's Contract Laboratory program under which private companies provide analytical laboratory services in support of EPA's Superfund cleanup program. The data generated during analysis and evaluation are reported to EPA and are used as a basis for Superfund remedial and removal actions.

Information gathered by EPA investigators shows that Environmental Chemistry Laboratory/SAIC failed to conduct tests on samples within the ten-day timeframe as required under its contract. Further investigation also indicated that records and documents were backdated and falsified.

EPA is continuing to investigate SAIC; no further information regarding these civil and criminal enforcement actions will be made available until the conclusion of the investigations.

CONTACT: Terry Wilson of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 415-556-5137

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#90222p4452 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of AmeriFirst Bank (NASDAQ: AMRI) signed an agreement with the Office of Thrift Supervision today. This action is consistent with AmeriFirst's past working relationship with the regulators. The board unanimously approved and entered into the agreement on behalf of the bank.

The agreement describes a number of responsibilities of the officers and directors, as well as certain operating restrictions. The operating restrictions permit the bank to continue to serve fully its retail and deposit customers. There are a number of restrictions relating to commercial real estate loans and foreclosed and development real estate. The board of directors believes that the Office of Thrift Supervision has requested and negotiated the agreement in a spirit of cooperation and consistently with its responsibilities under the FIRREA. The agreement

permits the Office of Thrift Supervision to appoint a conservator or receiver for the institution if the Office concludes that that step is necessary.

Dr. Laurence Brody, chairman of the board, said, "Amerifirst fully intends to continue its proud tradition of service to customers and the community." The bank will continue to operate under the present management and board of directors. All depositors are protected up to $100,000 by the federal government.

CONTACT: Dana Clay of Ev Clay & Associates, 305-261-6222, for AmeriFirst Bank; or John Lamson of AmeriFirst Bank, 305-387-5195

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#90222p4456 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed American Savings and Loan Association, Mt. Carmel, Ill., in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, American Savings Association of Mt. Carmel, F.A., will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift, and will operate in conservatorship under the management of the Resolution Trust Corp.

The takeover did not result in any interruption of American's day-to-day operations. The institution will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action, which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

OTS initiated the action because American was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition having insufficient capital in that it had negative tangible capital. Furthermore, there was no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

American's condition is due primarily to a high level of non- earning assets -- $1.8 million or 14.6 percent of total assets -- and heavy losses associated with its mutual fund investments. American has also been cited by OTS for management inadequacies, including failure to maintain adequate books and records, imprudent loan underwriting and poor loan documentation.

As of June 30, 1990, American reported assets of $11.851 million, liabilities of $11.853 million and tangible capital of negative $2,000, for a tangible capital-to-assets ratio of negative .017 percent.

CONTACT: Barbara Bara of the American Savings and Loan Association,

312-565-5856; or Janis Smith of Office of Thrift Supervision, 202-906-6677

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#90222p4457 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Tom Sherak has been named executive vice president, Twentieth Century Fox (NASDAQ: TWEN), it was announced today (Aug. 10) by Joe Roth, chairman of the film company. Sherak, president of marketing and distribution for Twentieth Century Fox, will continue to oversee sales and marketing. As part of his new role with the company, Sherak will take on added responsibilities in the area of independent producer relations, as well as working more closely with Roth on all motion picture related activities. Sherak will continue to report directly to Roth.

"I have wanted to involve Tom with all activities of the motion picture division," Roth said. "By moving him into areas where we can work more closely together, I believe we can maximize his valuable expertise and experience. In addition, I want him to actively seek out some of the producers and directors who have worked for Fox over the seven years he has been with the company.

"We have had several valuable relationships with film makers who have been here for one or two pictures," Roth also said. "I want Tom to bring those key people into the Fox family so that we can continue to rebuild this company into a more competitive position than it has ever enjoyed.

"We have specific multi-picture relationships with companies like Largo and Morgan Creek," Roth continued. "I expect Tom to be even more hands-on with these companies than he has been before and to cultivate additional relationships like these."

Sherak expressed his pleasure at his new role. "I welcome the opportunity to work more closely with Joe, as well as working with the producers and directors with whom I have had close business, as well as personal relationships."

Sherak joined Fox in June 1983 as president of marketing and distribution and has supervised the campaigns for such outstanding Twentieth Century Fox hits as "Romancing the Stone," "Working Girl," "Bachelor Party," "Jewel of the Nile," "Aliens," "Die Hard," and most recently "Die Hard II, Die Harder." The executive entered the industry in 1970 as sales trainee with Paramount Pictures and worked for Paramount in New York, Washington and St. Louis. In 1973, Sherak joined RC Theaters in Baltimore as a film buyer and booker. He left in 1977 to work for General Cinema, eventually achieving the title of vice president and head film buyer, before moving to Twentieth Century Fox in 1983.

CONTACT: Geoffrey Ammer of Twentieth Century Fox, 213-203-1721

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#90222p4458 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Campeau Corporation Friday announced that the board of directors has established the office of chief executive, consisting of James D. Raymond and Gary M. Goodman, to exercise the powers and fulfill the duties and responsibilities of the chief executive officer of Campeau Corporation on an interim basis since Robert Campeau has not been reappointed as chairman and chief executive officer.

Robert Despres has been appointed Chairman of the Board on an interim basis.

The board of directors has commenced a search for a permanent chairman and chief executive officer.

CONTACT: Richard W. Wertheim of Wertheim Howe & Company Inc., 416-594-1600 (business) or 416-276-6612 (home), for Campeau Corp.

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#90222p4461 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Deltona Corporation (NYSE: DLT) today reported a net loss of $3,971,000 on revenues of $8,424,000 for the second quarter of 1990 compared to net income of $1,733,000 on revenues of $18,457,000 for the second quarter of 1989. The loss applicable to common stock was $3,971,000, or $.70 per share, for the second quarter of 1990 compared to income of $1,176,000, or $.21 per share, in 1989.

The prior year's quarter included $557,000 in cumulative dividends on preferred stock. The prior year's results benefitted from the inclusion of income from Deltona's discontinued utility operations, net of taxes, of $370,000, or $.07 per share, and from an extraordinary item of $652,000, representing the reduction of income taxes arising from the carryforward of prior years' operating losses.

During the second quarter of 1990, Deltona began to experience an increase in delinquent contracts receivable, primarily resulting from the negative publicity caused by the indictment of a major Florida developer, followed by the bankruptcy of that developer. As a result of the increase in delinquent contracts receivable, Deltona recorded an additional provision to its allowance for uncollectable sales of approximately $2,000,000, impacting net income by approximately $1,500,000. Deltona is taking all available actions to collect the delinquencies; however, it is unknown at this time whether the company will be successful. If this trend continues Deltona may be required to record additional provisions in the future.

The second quarter results also reflect approximately $1,000,000 of expenses related to the termination of some 230 employees and the termination of the company's retainer agreement with an investment banker.

For the first half of 1990, Deltona reported a net loss of $6,426,000 on revenues of $18,391,000 compared to net income of $1,771,000 on revenues of $34,518,000. The loss applicable to common stock was $6,426,000, or $1.14 per share, in 1990 compared to income of $456,000, or $.08 per share in 1989. Included in the six month results are losses of approximately $600,000 in 1990 and $1,500,000 in 1989 resulting from sales of contracts receivable. Included in the prior year's results was $1,315,000 in cumulative dividends on preferred stock. The prior year's results benefitted from the inclusion of income from Deltona's utility operations, net of taxes, of $932,000, or $.16 per share, and an extraordinary item of $666,000, representing the reduction of income taxes arising from the carryforward of prior years' operating losses.

Revenues for the second quarter and six months of 1990 have declined 54 percent and 47 percent, respectively, compared to 1989 results for the same periods. This decline in revenues is primarily due to depressed retail land sales, arising from the previously mentioned negative publicity surrounding the indictment and bankruptcy of a major Florida developer, and the financial condition of Deltona. It is unknown at this time if and when sales will recover.

In other news, Deltona reported that the temporary waiver granted by its lenders expired on July 31, 1990. The temporary waiver included the deferral of approximately $1,200,000 of interest for the three month period beginning May 7, 1990. The company has requested an extension of the temporary waiver to Aug. 31, 1990 and to include interest of approximately $400,000 which was due Aug. 1, 1990 in such waiver. The lenders are considering the company's request. At the same time, the company is continuing to negotiate for more liberal terms of the security agreement. There can be no assurance that the request for the extension of the temporary waiver or the negotiations will be successful. It is likely that the company will be required to seek additional temporary waivers throughout the remainder of 1990.

Deltona is also continuing discussions with the Florida Division of Land Sales concerning an alternative form of assurance to replace the corporate performance bond previously posted by the company to assure the completion of its estimated $6.4 million development obligation at its St. Augustine Shores community. If unsuccessful, the company could be requested to cease retail land sales at this community.

Deltona is the developer of nine planned communities, extending from the Florida Panhandle to the State's Gulf Coast, and encompassing approximately 100,000 acres.

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#90222p4462 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBANY, Ore. (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Synthetech Inc. (NASDAQ: NZYM) today announced a loss for the quarter ended June 30 of $76,358 (1 cent per share, unaudited) on revenues of $274,435, all of which were product sales. Last year's first quarter showed a profit of $171,304 on revenues of $490,310 with $293,656 from product sales and $196,654 from contract services and licensing. In comparing the two quarters, Paul C. Ahrens, president and chief executive officer of the company, stated, "Product sales for the first quarter of this year were roughly comparable to the first quarter of last year. The difference in results is primarily attributable to licensing and contract service revenue last year. While licensing revenue remains a part of the overall business strategy, it is not considered normal and recurring revenue." Ahrens also stated, "The company's customer base and product line continued to expand during the quarter with the product list reaching 125 items." He cautioned, however, that the company has not yet established an ongoing base load of demand for its products on a monthly basis and further quarter-to-quarter fluctuations in results would likely occur.

Synthetech is a bulk producer producer and marketer of Peptide Building Blocks for use by pharmaceutical companies in manufacturing peptide-based pharmaceuticals. The range of indications for peptide-based pharmaceuticals, either approved or in development, includes AIDS, cancer, hypertension, endometriosis, osteoporosis, cardiovascular disorders, appetite control, emphysema, dementia, immune disorders, CNS injury, analgesic, birth control and vaccines.

CONTACT: Paul C. Ahrens of Synthetech Inc., 503-967-6575

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#90222p4467 08/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - MinVen Gold Corp. (TORONTO; AMEX: MVG) announces today its financial results for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990.

MinVen recorded a second quarter consolidated loss of Cdn$1,476,790 or Cdn$0.05 per share, compared with a consolidated loss of Cdn$291,285 or Cdn$0.01 per share in the corresponding 1989 quarter.

Consolidated revenues for the quarter were Cdn$10,995,434 on sales of 24,086 ounces of gold and 81,924 ounces of silver compared to Cdn$11,198,448 on sales of 23,186 ounces of gold and 55,722 ounces of

silver in the second quarter of 1989. Consolidated revenues do not include proceeds of Cdn$1,512,800 realized on the initial sale of 3,193 ounces of gold and 7,400 ounces of silver which reduced the cost of developing the Golden Reward Mine into commercial production.

MinVen recorded a first half consolidated loss of Cdn$4,102,664 or Cdn$0.14 per share compared with a consolidated loss of Cdn$917,621 or Cdn$0.04 per share in the corresponding period of 1990.

Consolidated revenues for the first half were Cdn$18,628,656 on sales of 39,413 ounces of gold and 145,234 ounces of silver compared to Cdn$19,867,903 on sales of 40,765 ounces of gold and 87,375 ounces of silver in the first six months of 1989.

James A. Anderson, president and chief executive officer, said, "Results have been adversely affected by lower gold prices, production problems encountered at the Blackdome Mine as a result of a significant decrease of grade of ore being mined and the slow start-up of the Golden Reward Mine. The Blackdome Mine commenced drawing ore from a new high-grade stope on the No. 18 Vein. The effect of this higher-grade, lower cost production will be realized during the second half of 1990. MinVen produced 27,935 ounces of gold or 18 percent more ounces than the 23,736 ounces produced in the comparable second quarter of 1989. The Gilt Edge Mine is producing gold at record levels and Golden Reward is expected to enter commercial production late in the third quarter of this year."

At a meeting of the board of directors of MinVen held on Aug. 10, 1990, the board resolved to cancel and reissue all but 511,500 of the currently outstanding employees' and directors' incentive stock options. These options will now be exercisable at a price of Cdn$1.35 per share, being the closing price of MinVen's shares as traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange on Aug. 10, 1990 and will be exercisable until Aug. 10, 1995. The remaining 511,500 options, held by insiders of MinVen, were not reissued as they had been granted within the past year to replace certain options held by those individuals which were to expire in March 1990. Instead, these individuals received a like number of new options at the new price and exercise period. In addition, options to purchase an aggregate of 119,000 shares were granted under its stock option plan to a new director and to new employees of the company.

MinVen Gold is a publicly held, Denver-based mining company with interests in five operating mines in the U.S. and Canada. Its shares are traded on the American, Toronto and Vancouver stock exchanges under the symbol MVG.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	64	45	.587	-	31-19	33-26	6-4	L-2
New York	63	45	.583	1/2	37-17	26-28	5-5	W-2
Montreal	57	54	.514	8	30-23	27-31	3-7	W-2
Chicago	53	58	.477	12	28-29	25-29	7-3	L-1
Philadel.	52	57	.477	12	26-28	26-29	3-7	L-2
St. Louis	51	61	.455	14 1/2	27-32	24-29	6-4	W-1

West

Cincinnati	63	46	.587	-	33-19	30-27	4-6	L-2
San Fran.	59	51	.536	4 1/2	31-24	28-27	5-5	W-1
Los Angeles	56	53	.514	7	32-24	24-29	5-5	W-2
San Diego	51	59	.464	12 1/2	28-30	23-29	7-3	W-1
Houston	49	62	.441	15	35-22	14-40	7-3	L-1
Atlanta	41	68	.376	22	23-32	18-36	2-8	L-1

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#90222u0195 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - The Iraqi military machine assembled by Saddam Hussein is 1 million strong and equipped with sophisticated weaponry, but military analysts said it lacked experience in air warfare that might be critical in a confrontation with the United States.

Several U.S. military experts inside and outside of the government also agreed that despite Iraq's nearly decade-long war with neighboring Iran, the Iraqi armed forces showed possible weaknesses in sustaining long individual battles.

In the week since Iraq rolled over tiny Kuwait, much attention has been focused on Iraq's 1 million-man army, its armored tank forces, its experience with desert warfare and its willingness to use chemical weapons.

But despite those military assets, Iraq is also the nation that was able to manage only a stalemate with an ill-equipped Iran and several experts said it was likely that in an air war, U.S. forces would dominate, largely because of a lack of experience by most Iraqi pilots.

Except for about 50 pilots trained by the French, said several analysts, the Iraqi air force was poorly trained.

''The saying in the Iraqi armed forces is that they were just as happy when the Iraq air force was not above them because they were never sure what they would hit,'' noted a congressional military expert.

''The Iran-Iraq war was notable for its lack of air-to-air combat,'' added Greg Grant, a military analyst for the Center for Strategic and International Studies. ''I would say the quality of the Iraqi (pilots) is suspect.''

What is not suspect is the quality of aircraft in the Iraqi arsenal.

During the 10-year war with Iran, Hussein built up a 513-plane air force, including large numbers of high-quality Soviet MiGs and about 94 French-made Mirage jets, which are capable of carrying Exocet missiles, such as the one that hit the USS Stark in 1987.

But even that incident raised questions about the Iraqis ability in the air.

Some analysts said the attack on the Stark was believed to be an accident and showed a lack of command control in the Iraqi air forces. But others said the attack proved a certain degree of ingenuity because the Mirage jet that hit the Stark was equipped with two Exocet missiles - an arrangement the French had said would be impossible.

The current deployment of U.S. naval, air and ground forces to the region indicates the United States will rely heavily on air power should the Iraqis cross the border into Saudi Arabia.

The analysts add that a main weapon for the United States in such an event will be the AWACs aircraft, which can detect enemy troop movements and aircaft placement and properly guide U.S. warplanes into combat. The Iraqis lack such a capability.

But while most experts are confident in U.S. superiority over the Iraqis in the air, there are differing opinions over whether air power alone would be enough to defend the oil-rich kingdom.

''If the Iraqis attack us, we're in a ground war,'' added the congressional analyst, who spoke on condition of anonymity. ''We will hit them very heavily from the air, but air power alone cannot win a war.''

And it is on the ground where the Iraqis enjoy their greatest strengths.

First of all, analysts said the Iraqi military of 1990 is much larger and different than the one that invaded Iran in 1980.

Its size more than tripled in the past 10 years and Hussein also has acquired large quantities of very sophisticated Soviet tanks and surface-to-surface missiles.

In addition, Iraq is known to have stockpiled artillery shells, rockets and bombs containing mustard gas and nerve agents. The Iraqis are unafraid to use the chemical weapons, having done so against Iran and rebellious Kurds in Iraq.

Military experts said while the total size of the Iraqi armed forces was about 1 million, the best battle-hardened troops - the so-called Presidential Guard which may have been the force that invaded Kuwait - numbered about 120,000.

Those troops, the experts said, proved in the late stages of the war with Iran that they could effectively establish supply lines, create defensive barriers and deal with the desert environment. ''They have excellent mobility and excellent supply operations,'' noted the congressional military expert.

But, some analysts said, those same troops showed signs that they could not sustain a long individual battle - a factor that might be key if U.S. and Iraqi forces confronted each other. ''About 12 days was the longest sustained battle of the entire Iran-Iraq war,'' said the congressional analyst.

Still, if there is combat with the United States, Iraq would have the built-in advantage of experience in the desert. The United States' last major military operation in the desert was the disasterous Iranian hostage rescue attempt of 1980.

''They know where they are and how to fight a war over this type of terrain,'' said Loren Thompson of the Georgetown University National Security Studies program. ''We never have.''

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#90222u0199 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Arab leaders are gathering in Cairo for a Friday summit aimed at resolving escalating tensions stemming from the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Observers say they expect Egyptian President Mubarak to press for a diplomatic end to Iraq's occupation of Kuwait. Iraq has promised to attend the session, which will also attract a delegation from the deposed Kuwaiti government.

The Pentagon reported Thursday that some 50-thousand Iraqi troops appeared to be filtering into Kuwait. Pentagon officials also said that there seemed to be a buildup of Iraqi forces along its border with Turkey. Defense officials said they did NOT have accurate estimates about the situation on the Turkish border. The United States has at least 14 Fbombers in Turkey. The F-111's were used in the U-S air attack against Libya four years ago.

President Bush is scheduled to leave the White House Friday for a three-week New England vacation. Presidential news secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the president did NOT fear public backlash for heading to his seaside reort in Kennebunkport, Maine, despite the largest U-S military operation since Vietnam. Fitzwater said Bush would get daily briefings on developments in the Persian Gulf.

A former U-S Drug Enforcement Administration agent pleaded guilty to charges of conspiring to traffic heroin and cocaine with two other ex-agents. John Jackson's guilty plea in Los Angeles comes less than one week after a key government witness testified he sold between 88 pounds and 110 pounds of cocaine and heroin for Jackson and D-E-A agent Darnell Garcia. Jackson's admission of guilt is part of a plea bargain.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Texas at Chicago, 2, 6 p.m.
Milwaukee at Kansas City, 2, 6:05 p.m.
Detroit at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.
Minnesota at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Baltimore at California, 10:35 p.m.
New York at Oakland, 10:35 p.m.
Boston at Seattle, 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Philadelphia at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at New York, 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
San Francisco at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Atlanta, 7:40 p.m.
San Diego at Houston, 8:35 p.m.

Edmonton, Alberta - World Championships

BASKETBALL

Argentina - Men's World Championships

GOLF

Birmingham, Ala. - PGA Championship
Stratton, Vt. - $450,000 Stratton Mountain LPGA Classic
Albuquerque, N.M. - Sunwest Bank/Charley Pride Senior Classic

ROLLER SKATING

Pensacola, Fla. - U.S. Indoor Speed Championships

SHOOTING

Moscow - World Championships

TENNIS

Albuquerque, N.M. - Virginia Slims of Albuquerque
Mason, Ohio - $1.02 million ATP Championships
San Diego - $225,000 Great American Bank Women's Classic

TRACK AND FIELD

Plovdiv, Bulgaria - World Junior Championships
Brussels, Belguim - Ivo Van Damme Memorial

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#90222u0221 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Current and former FBI agents allegedly had a 20-year relationship with former Yankees owner George Steinbrenner and helped him make background checks of his employees, news reports said Friday.

FBI agents in Tampa, Fla., used the bureau's national computer system to obtain information about gambler Howard Spira for Steinbrenner, unidentified bureau sources told The National and The New York Times.

Baseball Commissioner Fay Vincent banned Steinbrenner from the game and ordered him to divest his majority interest in the club because Spira had offered to provide information about Yankee slugger Dave Winfield.

There were also allegations that Steinbrenner paid $40,000 to Spira to hush up the incident.

The sources said former FBI agent Philip McNiff, who has worked for Steinbrenner since 1980, asked a Tampa FBI agent earlier this year to pressure an assistant U.S. Attorney to convince a federal grand jury in Florida to indict Spira on extortion charges.

The grand jury indicted Spira in March and the case was moved to New York, where it has not yet come to trial.

The sources said Steinbrenner's relationship with current and former FBI agents dated back two decades. The former agents did not appear to have broken any laws on Steinbrenner's behalf, but the sources branded the agents' actions unseemly and beneath FBI standards of conduct.

FBI spokesman Mike Kortan said it was a misdemeanor for agents to use the National Crime Information Center's computer for purposes other than those allowed by federal law.

Kortan said the FBI would conduct an internal review of the allegations.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Hudler rf	4	0	2	0	Walton cf	4	1	1	1
OSmith ss	4	1	2	1	Sandberg 2b	3	0	1	0
McGee cf	4	1	3	1	Grace 1b	4	0	1	0
Guerrero 1b	4	0	1	0	Clark lf	4	0	1	0
Collins 1b	0	0	0	0	JSmith rf	4	0	0	0
Pendleton 3b	4	0	1	0	Wilkerson 3b	3	0	0	0
CWilson lf	4	0	0	0	Dawson ph	1	0	0	0
Thompson rf	0	0	0	0	Dunston ss	3	0	0	0
Pagnozzi c	4	0	1	0	Girardi c	3	0	1	0
Oquendo 2b	2	1	0	0	Dickson p	1	0	0	0
Hill p	2	0	1	0	Varsho ph	1	0	0	0
LSmith p	0	0	0	0	Pico p	0	0	0	0
					Wynne ph	1	0	0	0
					Lancaster p	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	3	11	2	Totals	32	1	5	1

St. Louis	002 001 000- 3
Chicago	000 000 001- 1

E-OSmith. DP-Chicago 3. LOB-St. Louis 4, Chicago 5. 2B-OSmith, Hudler. HR-Walton (1). S-Hill.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Hill (W 3-1)	8	4	1	1	1	5
LSmith (S 20)	1	1	0	0	0	2
Chicago						

Dickson (L 0-1)	6	8	3	3	1	3
Pico	2	2	0	0	0	1
Lancaster	1	1	0	0	0	1

Hill pitched to 2 batters in the 9th.

T-2:34. A-36,328.

Umpires-Home, Hohn; 1b, Rennert; 2b, Bonin; 3b, Quick.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts lf	4	0	1	0	LSmith lf	3	0	1	0
Templetn ss	5	2	2	0	Blauser ss	4	0	1	0
Alomar 2b	5	2	1	0	Gant cf	4	0	1	0
Clark 1b	1	0	1	1	Presley 3b	3	0	1	0
Stephensn 1b	3	1	1	1	Justice rf	4	0	1	0
Carter cf	3	0	1	2	Cabrera 1b	4	0	0	0
Williams 3b	2	1	1	0	Olson c	4	0	1	0
Pagliarul 3b	2	0	0	0	Lemke 2b	4	0	0	0
Parent c	5	1	1	0	Leibrandt p	1	0	0	0
Abner rf	4	0	1	2	McDowell ph	1	0	0	0
Hurst p	4	0	1	1	Luecken p	0	0	0	0
					Vatcher ph	1	0	0	0
					Castillo p	0	0	0	0
Totals	38	7	11	7	Totals	33	0	6	0

San Diego	500 000 002- 7
Atlanta	000 000 000- 0

E-Presley 2, Williams. DP-San Diego 1. LOB-San Diego 9, Atlanta 8.
2B-Roberts, Clark, Abner, Williams, Gant, Alomar, Justice. SF-Carter.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Hurst (W 7-8)	9	6	0	0	2	7
Atlanta						
Leibrandt (L 4-6)	5	7	5	1	2	2
Luecken	2	0	0	0	2	1
Castillo	2	4	2	2	0	3

T-2:41. A-8,312.

Umpires-Home, Reliford; 1b, Williams; 2b, McSherry; 3b, Davidson.

LOS ANGELES CINCINNATI

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Harris 3b	5	2	3	0	Larkin ss	2	0	0	0
Gibson cf	3	2	2	3	Oester 3b	2	0	0	1
Gonzalez cf	1	0	0	0	O'Neill rf	4	0	1	0
Daniels lf	3	3	2	1	Sabo 3b	2	0	0	0
Gwynn lf	1	0	0	0	Quinones 3b	1	0	1	0
Murray 1b	4	1	2	2	Davis cf	2	0	0	0
MHatcher 1b	1	0	0	0	Wnnnghm cf	2	0	0	0
Brooks rf	3	0	1	0	Morris 1b	4	1	1	0
Javier rf	1	0	0	0	Duncan 2b	4	1	2	1
Scioscia c	5	0	1	1	Oliver c	3	0	0	0
Samuel 2b	4	1	1	0	Reed ph	1	0	0	0
Vizcaino 2b	1	0	0	0	BHatcher lf	4	1	1	1
Griffin ss	4	1	3	1	Armstrong p	0	0	0	0
Martinez p	4	0	1	1	Mahler p	2	0	0	0
Howell p	0	0	0	0	Layana p	0	0	0	0
					Benzingr ph	1	0	0	0
					Dibble p	0	0	0	0
Totals	40	10	16	9	Totals	34	3	6	3

Los Angeles	510 310 000- 10
Cincinnati	000 020 010- 3

E-Larkin, Murray, Harris. DP-Los Angeles 1, Cincinnati 2. LOB-Los Angeles 6, Cincinnati 5. 2B-Scioscia, BHatcher. 3B-Duncan. HR-Gibson (7), Daniels (16).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Martinez (W 15-4)	8	6	3	3	1	10
Howell	1	0	0	0	0	1
Cincinnati						
Armstrong (L 11-8)	2-3	5	5	5	2	0
Mahler	6 1-3	11	5	5	1	5
Layana	1	0	0	0	0	1
Dibble	1	0	0	0	0	3

PB-Oliver. T-2:42. A-30,891.

Umpires-Home, Winters; 1b, Davis; 2b, Runge; 3b, Rapuano.

MONTREAL PITTSBURGH

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
DeShields 2b	4	1	1	0	Backman 3b	4	0	1	2
Nixon cf	4	1	2	1	Landrum p	0	0	0	0
DeMartinz cf	1	0	0	0	Bell ss	5	0	1	0

Raines lf	3	1	1	1	Cangelosi cf	4	0	0	0
Wallach 3b	5	1	1	1	Bonilla rf	5	1	1	0
Galarrag 1b	4	2	2	1	Bonds lf	3	2	2	1
Grissom rf	4	0	1	2	Bream 1b	5	1	2	1
Fitzgerald c	4	0	0	0	LaValliere c	2	1	2	1
Owen ss	4	1	2	0	Slaught c	1	0	0	0
Gross p	0	0	0	0	Lind 2b	5	0	2	1
Rojas p	0	0	0	0	Heaton p	2	1	0	0
Aldrete ph	1	0	0	0	Ryal ph	1	0	0	0
Ruskin p	0	0	0	0	Belinda p	0	0	0	0
Burke p	0	0	0	0	Redus ph	1	0	0	0
Frey p	0	0	0	0	King 3b	1	0	0	0
Sampen p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	34	7	10	6	Totals	39	6	11	6

Two out when winning run scored

Montreal	000 050 001 1- 7
Pittsburgh	002 200 020 0- 6

E-Backman 2, Slaught. DP-Pitts- burgh 2. LOB-Montreal 7, Pittsburgh 9.
2B-Backman, LaValliere, Grissom. HR-Bonds (21). SB-Raines (34), DeShields (30). S-Rojas 2, Slaught, Cangelosi, Grissom.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Gross	3	6	4	4	1	5
Rojas	4	1	0	0	2	3
Ruskin	1-3	2	2	2	0	0
Burke	1	2	0	0	0	0
Frey (W 5-1)	2-3	0	0	0	1	0
Sampen (S 2)	1	0	0	0	0	1
Pittsburgh						
Heaton	6	8	5	1	4	1
Belinda	2	0	0	0	2	1
Landrum (L 4-3)	2	2	2	1	1	0

Gross pitched to 4 batters in the 4th.

T-3:37. A-21,499.

Umpires-Home, Hallion; 1b, DeMuth; 2b, Gregg; 3b, Harvey.

PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	5	1	4	3	Miller rf	5	0	0	1
Daulton c	3	0	3	0	Magadan 1b	2	0	0	0

Nieto c	1	0	0	0	Jefferies 2b	4	0	1	0
VHayes lf	5	0	2	1	McRynlds lf	3	0	1	0
Murphy rf	5	0	1	0	Strawbrry rf	2	0	0	0
Kruk 1b	4	0	0	0	Boston cf	2	1	0	0
Campusn ph	1	0	0	0	Johnson ss	4	1	1	2
Herr 2b	4	1	1	0	Franco p	0	0	0	0
Booker pr	0	0	0	0	Teufel 3b	1	1	0	0
CHayes 3b	5	2	3	0	O'Malley 3b	2	1	2	0
Thon ss	3	0	1	0	Sasser c	3	1	1	0
Combs p	2	0	0	0	Gooden p	1	0	1	0
Akerfelds p	1	0	0	0	Darling pr	0	0	0	0
Ready ph	1	0	1	0	Ojeda p	0	0	0	0
Boever p	0	0	0	0	Torve ph	1	0	1	2
					Pena p	0	0	0	0
					Diaz ss	1	0	0	0
Totals	40	4	16	4	Totals	31	5	8	5

Philadelphia	001 200 010- 4
New York	010 004 00x- 5

E-VHayes, Nieto. DP-Philadelphia 1, New York 1. LOB-Philadelphia 12, New York 8. 2B-Dykstra 2, Sasser, Torve. HR-Johnson (17). SB-Boston (10).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Combs	4	3	1	1	3	2
Akerfelds (L 4-1)	3	4	4	4	2	1
Boever	1	1	0	0	0	1
New York						
Gooden	5	9	3	3	0	3
Ojeda (W 6-5)	1	1	0	0	0	0
Pena	1	1	0	0	1	0
Franco (S 25)	2	5	1	1	0	2

Combs pitched to 1 batter in the 5th.

HBP-by Gooden 2 (Thon, Herr), by Combs (Gooden). T-3:34. A-39,240.

Umpires-Home, Marsh; 1b, Wendelstedt; 2b, West; 3b, Brocklander.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak

East								
Boston	60	50	.545	-	36-18	24-32	8-2	W-1
Toronto	59	53	.527	2	31-27	28-26	4-6	L-1
Baltimore	54	56	.491	6	26-26	28-30	4-6	L-1
Detroit	53	60	.469	8 1/2	26-30	27-30	4-6	W-1
Cleveland	51	60	.459	9 1/2	27-27	24-33	4-6	L-1
Milwaukee	47	62	.431	12 1/2	24-32	23-30	2-8	L-1
New York	46	64	.418	14	23-29	23-35	7-3	W-5
West								
Oakland	70	42	.625	-	35-21	35-21	7-3	W-1
Chicago	64	44	.593	4	31-23	33-21	6-4	L-2
Texas	58	53	.523	11 1/2	31-24	27-29	7-3	W-1
Seattle	57	55	.509	13	29-30	28-25	4-6	L-3
California	53	59	.473	17	27-29	26-30	5-5	L-1
Kansas City	52	58	.473	17	28-26	24-32	6-4	W-2
Minnesota	52	60	.464	18	29-30	23-30	3-7	W-1

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(AUG. 10) UPI - The sparks that flew in the fifth inning Thursday night lit the Mets' fuse and burned the Phillies.

After a bench-clearing brawl instigated when Philadelphia starter Pat Combs hit Dwight Gooden on the left knee, New York came back to score four runs in the sixth including the go-ahead run in their 5-4 victory over Philadelphia.

Trailing 3-1, the Mets scored all four runs off Darrel Akerfeld, 4-1, who replaced the ejected Combs. Kevin McReynolds walked and was forced at second by Daryl Boston. Howard Johnson tied the game with a blast over the right-centerfield wall for his 17th homer of the year.

Tom O'Malley followed with a single and Mackey Sasser's double put runners at second and third. Pinch hitter Kelvin Torve, playing in his third game with New York and batting for pitcher Bob Ojeda, then placed his double into the gap in right-center to give the Mets a 5-3 lead.

''I was a little nervous when I first came up, but they told me to gear down,'' Torve said. ''I was overjoyed when I reached second. I never had that feeling in the minors. I shortened my swing and tried to drive the ball.''

''When your starter is throwing pretty good and gets thrown out you are hurt,'' Phillies manager Nick Leyva said. ''In addition Dennis Cook (also ejected) is our long man. I had to stay with Darrel Akerfeld even though he threw a couple of stupid pitches. He threw fast balls to Howard Johnson

and Mackey Sasser, both fast ball hitters. They were bad pitches.''

Gooden, who had hit Dickie Thon in the second and Tommy Herr in the fifth, reacted to Combs' pitch by instantly rushing the mound. Combs met him halfway and both players, joined by catcher Darren Daulton, wrestled to the ground, followed by their benches.

''When he hit me it was obvious he was throwing at me,'' Gooden said. ''I never try to hit anyone. I don't feel any different about the Phillies than anyone else. When Combs got behind me in the fight he was still throwing punches.''

Combs held a different view.

''I respect Dwight Gooden as a hitter and was just trying to throw inside '' Combs said. ''I wasn't trying to hit him.''

In addition to Combs and relief pitcher Cook, Daulton and coach Mike Ryan were tossed from the Phillies. The Mets lost Gooden, Tim Teufel and Darryl Strawberry in the fray.

Bob Ojeda replaced Gooden and picked up the victory to improve to 6-5. Alejandro Pena worked the seventh and John Franco pitched the final two innings to earn his 25th save.

Elsewhere in the NL, St. Louis dropped Chicago 3-1, Montreal edged Pittsburgh 7-6 in 10 innings, Los Angeles pounded Cincinnati 10-3, and San Diego blanked Atlanta 7-0.

In the American League it was: Oakland 5, Baltimore 2; Texas 13, Cleveland 5; Detroit 5, Toronto 4; Kansas City 5, Chicago 3; New York 1, Seattle 0; and Boston 14, California 3.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Cardinals 3, Cubs 1

At Chicago, Ken Hill and Lee Smith pitched a combined five-hitter and Willie McGee drove in a run and scored another to lift St. Louis and snap Chicago's five-game winning streak. Hill, 3-1, gave up four hits over eight-plus innings in his fourth start since being recalled from Triple-A Louisville. Smith recorded the last three outs for his 20th save. Lance Dickson dropped to 0-1.

Expos 7, Pirates 6, 10 innings

At Pittsburgh, Andres Galarraga raced home from second base on Mike Fitzgerald's check-swing infield single in the 10th inning to guide

Montreal. Steve Frey got two outs in the ninth to improve to 5-1. Bill Sampen pitched the 10th for his second save. Bill Landrum, who had allowed the Expos to tie the score in the ninth, fell to 4-3.

Dodgers 10, Reds 3

At Cincinnati, Ramon Martinez won his sixth straight game with eight innings of six-hit ball to pace Los Angeles. Martinez, 15-4, struck out 10 to raise his major-league leading total to 174. The right-hander, 10-1 in his last 13 starts, walked one and hasn't lost since July 5. Jack Armstrong, 11-8, didn't make it through the first inning as the Dodgers scored five runs.

Padres 7, Braves 0

At Atlanta, Bruce Hurst tossed a six-hitter and collected his first career RBI and Garry Templeton notched his 2000th career hit to lift the San Diego Padres to a 7-0 victory over the Atlanta Braves. Hurst, 7-8, struck out seven and walked two to earn his second shutout of the year and fifth complete game.

Charlie Liebrandt, 4-6, allowed seven hits over five innings to take the loss.

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MASON, OH (AUG. 10) UPI - Number 15 seed Richard Fromberg of Australia upset No. 2 seed Andre Agassi of Las Vegas, Nev. Thursday in the third round of the $1.3 million Thriftway ATP Championship.

It was the first professional meeting for the two who faced each other seven years ago on the junior circuit in Australia where Agassi was the victor.

But Fromberg took revenge Thursday.

He broke Agassi on his first service game in the opening set. Two games later, Agassi broke Fromberg to tie the set at 2-2 only to be broken again on his next service game. Fromberg took the first set 6-4.

Agassi then won three straight games in the middle of the second set to take a 5-2 lead and eventually win the set 6-3.

But chances for a victory for Agassi began to fade when Fromberg won the first three games of the final set.

From this point on, it was clearly Fromberg's game. The Australian seemed

to make all of the important shots on the way to a round of sixteen victory 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

''The problem is, getting motivated to beat these guys that everyone expects you to beat day after day,'' Agassi said ''I didn't feel good about anything.''

But Fromberg called it ''a very close match. It could have gone either way. I was able to get the right breaks at the right time.''

Fromberg advances to the quarter finals and will face the winner of the John McEnroe and Scott Davis contest.

Also Thursday, defending champion and No. 4 seed Brad Gilbert was an easy 6-1, 6-2 winner over 13th-seeded Guy Forget of France.

Forget won his first service game, but then Gilbert, a native of Oakland, Calif., swept nine games in a row.

''I was really expecting a tough match,'' Gilbert said. ''But I returned serve well and he was missing a little bit. I think he just got frustrated.''

Andres Gomez of Ecuador, the No. 3 seed, defeated Darren Cahill of Australia 7-6 (7-3), 6-3. But not without some struggle.

''Darren took the first couple of games,'' Gomez said. ''He didn't miss one serve. The balls were getting smaller and faster.''

Gomez fought back from a 0-3 deficit to send the first set into a tie-break, which he won 7-3, and then dominated Cahill in the second set.

Seventh-seeded Michael Chang used his speed and agility to overcome 10th-seeded Pete Sampras' power in a 7-5, 6-4 victory.

Sampras, of Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif., has one of the most powerful serves in tennis, but Chang said that's no good if it isn't accurate.

''Pete didn't make a lot of first serves,'' said Chang. ''That hurt him a little bit. Basically, when he hits that hard serve, all you can do is block it.''

Eleventh-seeded Jim Courier of Dade City, Fla, overpowered No. 6 Jay Berger of Weston, Fla., 6-2, 6-2.

Berger said he never had a chance.

''I definitely was not at the top of my game,'' he said. ''I let (Courier)

get on top of me early.''

Also Thursday, Aaron Krickstein, seeded fifth, fell victim to unseeded Jakob Hlasek of Switzerland 6-2, 6-4.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... U-P-I brings you the latest news.

Arab leaders meet in Cairo today for an emergency summit aimed at resolving the Persian Gulf crisis. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak hopes to convince Iraq to accept an Arab peace-keeping force and withdraw from Kuwait, but Cairo Radio says Baghdad has so far rejected the proposal. Iraq invaded Kuwait last week.

The White House says President Bush will be able to keep tabs on the Persian Gulf situation even though he leaves today for a month-long vacation in Maine. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the White House worldwide communications network moves with Bush. The president said yesterday he ''CAN'T stay in one place all the time.''

More than one-thousand wildfires are burning in the West, but fire officials in California say their ''main concern is the Yosemite situation.'' Two fires burned 10-thousand acres below Yosemite Valley, forcing evacuation of all 500 residents of El Portal at the entrance of Yosemite National Park.

Peru's government announced stiff economic measures yesterday that sent gasoline prices skyrocketing, and also sparked widespread anger. Officials say three people were killed in clashes between security forces and rioters. Gasoline prices rose nearly three-thousand percent, to the equivalent of one-dollar-12 a gallon.

The jury in Washington Mayor Marion Barry's drug and perjury trial enters its eighth day of deliberations today. Yesterday's deliberations were halted when a diabetic juror was hospitalized for fever, stress and depression. U-S District Judge Thomas Jackson says the panel member is expected to be released in time for today's proceedings.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING (Minimum 275 at-bats)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	355	84	117	.330
Palmeiro, Tex	406	53	133	.328
Harper, Min	339	44	108	.319
Quintana, Bos	333	41	106	.318
Griffey, Sea	431	70	137	.318
JoReed, Bos	404	53	127	.314
Boggs, Bos	426	64	133	.312
Sheffield, Mil	370	52	115	.311
Guillen, Chi	358	47	110	.307
Martinez, Sea	377	59	115	.305

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	402	81	141	.351
McGee, StL	437	67	147	.336
Dawson, Chi	363	51	122	.336
Bonds, Pit	353	77	114	.323
Murray, LA	360	62	115	.319
Gwynn, SD	438	61	137	.313
Larkin, Cin	420	58	130	.310
Sandberg, Chi	443	84	137	.309
Mitchell, SF	361	65	111	.307
Jefferies, NY	408	69	124	.304

HOME RUNS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 35; J.Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 28; McGriff, Tor 25; Gruber, Tor 22.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Mitchell, SF, Strawberry, NY and Sandberg, Chi 26; Bonilla, Pit 23 and Sabo, Cin 22.

RUNS BATTED IN

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 90; J.Canseco, Oak 82; Gruber, Tor 78; McGwire, Oak 71; Sierra, Tex and Bell, Tor 69; Palmeiro, Tex 68.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Carter, SD 89; Williams, SF 86; Bonds, Pit 84; Strawberry, NY and Bonilla, Pit 74.

DOUBLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Jo.Reed, Bos 37; Boggs, Bos 33; Puckett, Min and Brett, KC 31; Harper, Min 29.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Wallach, Mtl 31; Jefferies, NY, Sabo, Cin, Dykstra, Phi

and Bonilla, Pit 28.

TRIPLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fernandez, Tor 14; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos 7; Polonia, Cal, Webster, Cle and Eisenreich, KC 6.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Duncan, Cin, Thompson, StL, L. Smith, Atl and Gwynn, SD 7; Bell, Pit, Duncan, Cin, Uribe, SF, Coleman, Stl and Dunston, Chi 6.

STOLEN BASES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 49; Sax, NY 30; Calderon, Chi 29; Pettis, Tex 27 and Kelly, NY 25.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Coleman, StL 58; Yelding, Hou 46; Bonds, Pit 38; Nixon, Mtl 35; Samuel, LA, Raines, Mtl 34; Samuel, LA, Butler, SF 33.

RUNS SCORED

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 84; Fielder, Det 73; Griffey, Sea and Yount, Mil 70; Puckett, Min and McGriff, Tor 69.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Bonilla, Pit and Sandberg, Chi 84; Dykstra, Phi 81; Bonds, Pit 77; Sabo, Cin 76.

HITS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Griffey, Sea 137; Palmeiro, Tex and Boggs, Bos 133; Seitzer, KC and Reed, Bos 127

NATIONAL LEAGUE - McGee, StL 147; Dykstra, Phi 141; Gwynn, SD and Sandberg Chi 137; Alomar, SD 131; Larkin, Cin 130.

PITCHING

VICTORIES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Welch, Oak 18; Clemens, Bos 16; Stewart, Oak 15; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 14.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA and Viola, NY 15; and Drabek, Pit 14; Armstrong, Browning, Cin, Gooden, NY and Tudor, StL 11.

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 85 innings pitched)

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 2.16; Finley, Cal 2.40; Stewart, Oak 2.58; McCaskill, Cal 3.06; Saberhagen, KC and Stieb, Tor 3.10.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Viola, NY 2.48; Tudor, StL 2.49; Whitson, SD 2.76 and Martinez, LA 2.79 and Gardner, Mtl 2.89.

STRIKEOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 164; Witt, Tex 151; Ryan, Tex 148; Hanson, Sea 146; Johnson, Sea and Langston, Cal 128.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 174; Gooden, NY 145; Cone, NY 144; DeLeon, StL, 126 and Smoltz, Atl 125.

SAVES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Eckersley, Oak 37; Thigpen, Chi 36; Jones, Cle 29; Schooler, Sea 28; Olson, Bal 26.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Franco, NY 25, Myers, Cin 22; Smith, StL 20, Smith, Hou, 19; Brantley, SF, McDowell, Phi and Lefferts, SD 16.

COMPLETE GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Stewart, Oak 7; Brown, Tex 6; Leary, NY, Saberhagen, KC, Young Sea and Morris, Det 5.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl, Belcher, LA, Maddux, Chi, Hurst, SD and Martinez, Mtl 5.

SHUTOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Stewart, Oak 3; Appier, KC, Perez, King, Chi, Brown, Ryan, Tex, Knudson, Mil, Clemens, Bos, Welch, Oak and Black, Cle 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl and Viola, NY 3; 13 players tied with 2.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - Thunderstorms blasted the South and Great Plains with gusty winds, hail, and lightning Friday as fog shrouded New England and more than 1,000 wildfires burned out of control in the rain-thirsty West.

Storms rumbled across the coastal South as a high-pressure system kept Alabama and Mississippi relatively clear, the National Weather Service said.

Thunderstorms spread across northern Georgia, dropping heavy rain and hail

over Douglasville as winds gusted to 40 mph. The strongest storms, with hail and lightning, were reported south of Austell, Ga.

Severe storms also struck South Carolina as showers dampened North Carolina.

Severe thunderstorms in Iowa battered an area about 30 miles north of Des Moines early Friday, unleashing winds in excess of 60 mph, destructive hail, deadly lightning and torrential rains.

Thunderstorms lingered in the Southern Plains Friday after pounding north Texas and southern Oklahoma with heavy rain and hail. Golfball-size hail and heavy rains pushed through southern Oklahoma and north Texas late Thursday.

Chattanooga, Okla., was inundated by 1 1/2 inches of rain in 30 minutes.

In the Northeast, fog rolled across New England early Friday, dropping visibility to near zero in South Weymouth, Mass., and Portsmouth, N.H. Light rain sprinkled parts of Vermont, and temperatures ranged in the 50s and 60s across most of the region.

Showers soaked Baltimore and Washington, D.C., early Friday as clouds blanketed most of the Middle Atlantic region. Low readings ranged from 63 in Williamsport, Pa., to 76 in Atlantic City, N.J.

More than 1,000 wildfires were raging out of control in the West, charring about 200,000 acres of timber, rangelands and brush, and forcing the evacuation of a town at the entrance to Yosemite National Park.

The little mountain towns of El Portal and Foresta were threatened by the fires, and El Portal's 500 residents were evacuated. About 10,000 people were trapped in Yosemite overnight because the main roads leading in and out of the park were closed because of fire danger.

Firefighters said 1,000 separate fires were burning in California alone, with dozens more blazing in Idaho, Oregon and Utah.

The West's hot, swirling winds whipped the fires out of control, and crews jumped from hot spot to hot spot. A four-year drought and millions of dried-out, insect-killed trees aggravated the situation.

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#90222u0366 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - NASA's Magellan probe is sailing toward a historic encounter with Venus today. The spacecraft's braking rocket is to fire for 83-seconds to put the probe into an elliptical orbit around Venus so it

can map the planet's surface. Magellan was launched 15 months ago from the shuttle Atlantis.

The repaired shuttle Columbia was returned to the launch pad at Cape Canaveral yesterday for lift-off next month on a 10-day astronomy mission. The mission was grounded May 30th by a hydrogen leak, which has been fixed. The grounded shuttle Atlantis was moved off the launch pad to make way for Columbia.

Police sources in Trinidad say Moslem rebels who tried to overthrow the government last month have been charged with treason, murder and several other offenses. The charge of treason carries a penalty of death by hanging. There have been NO executions in the Caribbean island nation since 1975.

In Liberia, rebel troops loyal to Charles Taylor attacked the eastern part of the capital of Monrovia, overrunning the West German and Nigerian embassies and moving toward the airport. The Guinean embassy also was hit yesterday by Taylor's troops. Guinea has been a supporter of President Samuel Doe.

News reports say current and former F-B-I agents allegedly had a 20-year relationship with New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner, and helped him make background checks of his employees. Steinbrenner was banned from baseball by the commissioner last week because of his relationship with gambler Howard Spira.

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#90222u0372 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (AUG. 10) UPI - Tropical Storm Edouard weakened in the North Atlantic after lashing the Azores Islands with 45 mph winds, and forecasters said Friday the storm would likely be downgraded to a tropical depression during the day.

At 6 a.m. EDT, Edouard was centered near latitude 39.9 north and longitude 26.5 west, or about 95 miles north northeast of the island of Terceira in the Azores.

The storm's maximum sustained winds held steady at 40 mph Friday, after dropping about 5 mph on Thursday. Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center near Miami said the storm was expected to weaken further during the day.

Hurricane specialist Miles Lawrence said the storm's winds would likely fall below the 39 mph threshold for tropical storms, perhaps by midday.

Tropical storm force winds extended outward up to 85 miles to the north of

the center. Edouard was moving east northeast at near 6 mph, and forecasters said that motion was expected to continue for the next 24 hours.

Eduoard is the fifth tropical storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30. It formed from a tropical depression east of the Azores Wednesday.

Diana, the second storm to reach hurricane strength this year, dissipated Wednesday after slamming Mexico's Gulf coast with 110 mph winds, killing three people.

Forecasters also were monitoring a pair of tropical waves, one southwest of the Cape Verde Islands off the coast of Africa, and the other midway between Africa and the Lesser Antilles.

''The one that is really of interest is the one off the Cape Verde Islands. That one is looking fairly impressive today,'' Lawrence said. ''We'll be watching it during the day, and may decide to upgrade it (to a tropical depression). It just came off the coast a little while ago.''

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#90222u0607 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange continued their fall in very light trading Friday as investors tried to shield themselves from Middle East developments before the weekend.

The blue-chip Nikkei average of 225 selected issues, which Thursday plunged 893.41 points - or 3.1 percent - fell another 286.18 points to end the week at 27,329.55. It was the Nikkei's lowest close since Oct. 24, 1988.

The key index, which measures the value of Japan's largest 225 companies in terms of market capitalization, lost 2,186.21 points for the week.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Price Index, which measures all shares on the market's main section, lost 11.53 points to 2,056.88 following a 31.61-point loss on Thursday.

An estimated 320 million shares changed hands, compared with 410 million Thursday.

Declines outpaced advances 616 to 303, while 169 issues remained unchnaged.

Analysts said the arbitrage selling that pounded the market Thursday let up early Friday morning, leading to temporary gains.

But with a high degree of uncertainty lingering over the Middle East, where Iraqi forces continue to threaten Saudi Arabia, investors did not want to commit themselves to stock positions over the weekend, analysts said.

In the afternoon session, investors sold off stocks for cash to await developments.

The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and its aftermath have driven the Tokyo market down at an astonishing rate, shaving nearly 10 percent off the Nikkei's value since Aug. 2. The rapid decline has made technical projections difficult, analysts said.

Declines were broad-based with no distinctive movements by sector, market markets said.

However, trading in Calpis, a beverage producer, was suspended on news of an imminent takeover by food giant Ajinomoto Corp.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices posted moderate losses in very sparse trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as matters in the Middle East put a damper on bargain hunting.

Activity was heavily concentrated in the leading blue-chip issues.

The key Hang Seng Index, which lost 54.45 points Thursday, dropped another 12.15 points to 3,078.97. For the week the blue-chip index plunged 277.68 points.

Among the narrower indexes, financials lost 13.64, utilities eased 9.11 industrials inched down 1.87 and properties sunk 41.32 points.

An estimated 1.4 billion shares chnaged hands, down from the 1.8 billion shares Thursday.

Bargain hunters pushed the market up more than 30 points in the first half hour of trading, but analysts said some midmorning profit-taking quickly killed the buying spree.

In Singapore, stock prices closed lower in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange as tension in the Middle East continued to erode investors confidence.

The key Straits Times Industrial Index, which gained 15.24 points Wednesday, fell 32.06 points to 1,343.66. The All Singapore Index dipped 5.71 points to 387.55.

Markets in Singapore were closed Thursday for a national holiday.

An estimated 71.3 million shares chnaged hands, compared with 143.7 million Wednesday.

On the trading floor, Natsteel Ltd. paced the declining issues followed by Gold Coin and Singapore Press.

The Asean Fund (U.S.) paced the advancing issues followed by Jurong Shipyard and Singapore Airline foreign shares.

In Bangkok, stock prices rebounded slightly on the Stock Exchange of Thailand in moderate trading.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index, which plunged 54.10 points or 5.65 perecent Thursday, rebounded 17.36 points to end the week at 921.13.

An estimated 3.1 billion shares changed hands compared with 3.5 billion shares Thursday.

Advances outpaced declines better than 2-to-1.

The situation in the Middle East is still very influential for investors '' an official at a local investment house said, adding most large investors remained sidelined to await fresh developments.

Elsewhere around the region, stock prices ended lower in light and cautious trading in Taipei and Manila.

On the Taiwan Stock Exchange the Weighted Index fell 137.43 points or 3.25 percent to 4,094.78 - its lowqest closing level since April 28, 1988.

In Manila, worried investors liquidated stocks, pushing prices lower in light trading on the Manila Stock Exchnage.

The Manila Composite Stock Index of 25 selected stocks lost 14.47 points to 856.71.

In Australia, stock prices closed higher on the Sydney Sharemarket boosted by the Thursday's 24-point gain on Wall Street.

The All Ordinaries Index, which eased 5.4 points Thursday, rebounded 6.3 points to 1,569.1. The All Resources Index gained 6.0 points to 958.3, while the All Industrials Index rose 6.7 points to 2,355.9.

The Gold Index climbed 23.2 points to 1,507.1.

An estimated 77.8 million shares changed hands, compared with 90.1 million shares Thursday.

Analysts said that aside from selected gold and oil issues trading was tentative, with most investors waiting for more developments in the Middle East.

On the trading floor, WMC Mining rose 4 cents to $5.46, Placer Pacific gained 4 cents to $3.40 and GMK gained 1 cent to 99 cents a share.

Elsewhere, in the oil patch, Santos Oil fell 6 cents to $5.04 and Woodside Oil slipped 3 cents to $3.20.

In Johannesburg, a sharp overnight rise in the value of gold gave a boost to the mining boards Friday on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange.

Bullion was pegged at $388.60 to $389.10 per ounce.

The All Gold Index stood at 1,699.0, up from 1674.4 Thursday.

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#90222u0629 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - An emergency, one-day summit is under way today in Cairo as Arab leaders try to find a regional solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. The summit was originally set for yesterday, but was delayed because Iraq reportedly objected to Kuwait's participation. Arab leaders apparently overcame the Iraqi objection, and the session began today in the International Conference Hall. Iraq precipitated the crisis last week when it invaded Kuwait.

An airline industry spokesman says the price airlines pay for jet fuel went up last week within hours after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Those rising fuel prices are now having an impact on air fares. Several airlines- including United, Delta, Continental, Northwest and US-Air- say they will raise their fares to make up for the price hikes. Northwest and Continental will raise their fares 10 percent.

The first typhoon to hit Japan's main island this year struck today, injuring three people and disrupting air and rail traffic. The Meteorological Agency says Typhoon Winona, packing winds gusting to 67 miles-an-hour, passed northern Tokyo and headed northeast on the main island of Honshu. More than 20 air flights between Tokyo and western Japanese cities were delayed or canceled.

Police in New York City have stopped using the chemical Capstun after a youth who was sprayed with it caught fire. Police say the youth was waving knives and a hammer at officers yesterday when they answered a call to subdue him. They sprayed him with the chemical and fired a stun gun at him and he burst into flames, suffering first- and second-degree burns. Tests

later determined the chemical is flammable.

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#90222u0637 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - Wholesale prices edged down 0.1 percent in July as energy costs declined for the sixth consecutive month before the start of hostilities in the Arab world, the Labor Department said Friday.

Private analysts predicted an increase of 0.2 percent in the Producer Price Index for last month, and expect a significant increase in the August data in the wake of the Iraq-Kuwait crisis and higher gasoline prices nationwide.

Putting into perspective what would normally be considered good news, the government said its report is ''based on prices reported as of mid-July, before the outbreak of recent disturbances in the Middle East.''

The overall 0.1 percent decline in July wholesale prices follows increases of 0.2 percent in June and 0.3 percent in May, according to the data compiled by the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Wholesale energy prices fell 0.5 percent in July after tumbling 0.9 percent in June and 1 percent in May. The last increase, January's surge of 13.7 percent, was blamed on a severe winter cold snap.

''In July, lower gasoline prices outweighed an upturn in the natural gas index,'' the Labor Department said. ''The home heating oil index rose slightly after substantial declines in both preceding months.''

Wholesale food prices in July were unchanged after slipping 0.4 percent in June and gaining 0.6 percent in May.

''Increases were led by fresh fruits, fish, cheese, processed poultry, soft drinks, roasted coffee and frozen specialties,'' the department said. ''These were offset, however, by declines in pork, beef and veal, eggs, and fluid milk products.''

Not counting food and energy costs, July wholesale prices were also down 0.1 percent for the month. For the year, wholesale prices are up 3 percent a government spokesman said.

Prices for other consumer goods climbed 0.7 percent in July, on higher wholesale costs for tobacco, cars, over-the-counter drugs and household glassware, after an 0.5 percent advance in June and an 0.2 percent dip in May.

Wholesale prices for crude goods, meanwhile, were up 0.6 percent in July

after dropping 2.4 percent in June and inching down 0.1 percent in May.

Wholesale prices for intermediate goods, the step between crude and finished, were unchanged in July after decreases of 0.2 percent and 0.1 percent in June and May, the Labor Department said.

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#90222u0649 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Airline magnate Frank Lorenzo says he will give up his post as chairman of Continental Airlines Holdings and will sell most of his stake in the company. Lorenzo said yesterday he will remain a member of the board of directors but will sell most of his investment in Continental to Scandinavian Airlines System for nearly 30-Million dollars. Lorenzo, tarnished by Eastern Airlines' bankruptcy filing, says he has become a ''lightning rod'' for attacks against Continental.

A crucial rocket firing is set for later today to drop the Magellan probe into elliptical orbit around Venus so it can map the planet's surface. Officials say Magellan's braking rocket is to fire for an 83-second ''burn'' that will put the craft into orbit. Magellan was launched 15 months ago from the shuttle Atlantis.

Texas re-opened Galveston Bay to shrimping today, following last month's 700-thousand-gallon oil spill. The entire bay was briefly closed to all types of fishing after the July 28th spill when a Greek tanker collided with three barges. The bay was opened to finishing earlier this month. Harvesting of crabs and oysters is still banned in some areas.

Poland's President Wojciech Jaruzelski apparently will visit the United States in October at the invitation of President Bush. A spokesman for Jaruzelski says the White House tentatively set the date for October 11th, but it might be changed because of the crisis in the Persian Gulf. The U-S visit is seen as a denial of rumors that Jaruzelski might resign in September.

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#90222u0669 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 10) UPI - Stock prices were slightly lower in listless trading Friday on the London International stock exchange as investors awaited fresh development in the Middle East.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which added 7.4 points Thursday, was off 5.7 points to 2,239.2. The narrower top 30 industrial average slipped 1.9 points to 1,750.9.

Volume amounted to around 190 million shares compared with 204 million

shares traded during the same period Thursday.

Analysts said investors were staying away from the market, awaiting further news from the meeting of Arab leaders in Cairo.

In addition, analysts said, large institutional investors do not want to open any new positions ahead of the weekend.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Glaxo Holdings tumbled 68 cents to $15.59 after Schroder Securities Ltd. downgrading the household products company earnings forecast.

In the oil patch, British Petroleum gained 5 cents to $6.51 and Shell added 5 cents to $8.73 as the prices of Brent crude edged slightly higher on spot markets.

Elsewhere, among some of the international issues, Imperial Chemical Industries lost 38 cents to $17.01 and Barclays Bank PLC held steady at $6.70.

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#90222u0693 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Arab leaders are holding a one-day emergency summit to discuss the Iraqi invasion and annexation of Kuwait. The leaders are meeting in Cairo to find an Arab solution to the crisis. A Kuwaiti delegation is attending.

In his welcoming remarks, Egyptian President Mubarak repeated his call for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait but said the summit... in his words... ''is NOT an arena to embarrass the Iraqi nation.''

Mubarak's peace plan calls for assurances to Iraq that a reinstated Kuwaiti government would compensate President Saddam Hussein's ... and resolve the oil and territorial dispute that prompted the invasion.

Just as they did during the mid-70's oil crisis... environmentalists are calling for the automobile industry to build more fuel efficient cars to reduce pollution and U-S dependence on foreign oil.

President Bush heads to his summer home in Maine today for his annual month-long vacation. The White House emphasized that Bush will be conducting business as usual. Bush will return to Washington on September 3rd, Labor Day.

Stormy weather for much of the United States. Thunderstorms slashed the South and Great Plains with gusty winds, hail, and lightning early today. Severe thunderstorms in Iowa battered an area about 30 miles north of Des

Moines.

In the West, explosive wildfires are raging out of control in the West. Fire officials say one-thousand separate fires are burning in California alone... with dozens more in Idaho, Oregon and Utah.

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#90222u0695 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - In Pakistan, leaders of former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's party met today to discuss whether to challenge in the Supreme Court President Khan's decree dismissing her government. Bhutto was accused of nepotism and corruption.

West German Chancellor Kohl failed to win parliamentary approval to move up the date for all-German elections from December to October. The all-German elections will be December 2nd as originally planned.

Clashes in Peru between security forces and rioters killed three people yesterday. The riots followed the introduction of a drastic economic austerity plan that lifted price controls and sent the cost of gasoline skyrocketing.

Moslem rebels who tried to overthrow the government of Trinidad and Tobago last month have been charged with treason, murder and other offenses. The charge of treason carries a penalty of death by hanging.

Newly inaugurated Colombian President Gaviria says his government will NOT let up in its fight against cocaine cartels. He says he will continue to extradite drug suspects to the United States.

Researchers at the University of Utah and the University of Michigan say a newly discovered gene appears to be among a family of genes that may play a key role in the development of some cancers.

Police in New York City arrested a Brooklyn man, who kept his girlfriend tied to a bed for five days while he beat her... burnt her body with a hot iron... shaved her head... and shattered her teeth with a hammer. The 24-year-old victim managed to free herself and went to a police station.

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#90222u0713 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Weather around the U.S.A. -

City	&	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	pc		95	64	....
Anchorage	r		64	51	.10
Asheville	ts		80	60	.38

Atlanta pc	87	68	.61
Baltimore r	79	66	1.84
Billings sh	85	58	....
Birmingham sy	91	66	....
Bismarck pc	80	51	....
Boston pc	78	68	.01
Brownsville cy	94	76	.26
Buffalo pc	82	64	....
Burlington Vt. r	78	64	.07
Charleston S.C.pc	88	73	.31
Charlotte ts	84	68	....
Chicago pc	82	62	....
Cincinnati pc	85	65	....
Cleveland sy	80	62	....
Columbus Ohio sy	82	63	....
Dallas pc	96	73	....
Denver pc	91	58	....
Des Moines pc	84	64	.29
Detroit pc	82	61	....
Duluth cy	66	47	....
El Paso sy	94	66	....
Evansville pc	86	65	....
Fargo pc	77	52	....
Hartford sh	79	65	....
Honolulu sy	90	72	....
Houston pc	95	72	....
Indianapolis pc	83	63	....
Jackson Miss. sy	90	62	....
Jacksonville pc	91	70	.38
Kansas City pc	86	68	....
Las Vegas pc	105	80	....
Little Rock sy	91	67	....
Los Angeles pc	83	66	....
Louisville sy	88	67	....
Memphis sy	89	67	....
Miami Beach ts	92	77	.07
Milwaukee pc	78	58	....
Minneapolis pc	77	55	....
Nashville sy	88	65	....
New Orleans sy	88	67	....
New York r	80	70	1.62
Oklahoma City sy	93	70	....
Omaha pc	85	65	....
Orlando ts	93	73	.17
Philadelphia sh	81	70	.42
Phoenix pc	109	86	....
Pittsburgh cy	79	63	....
Portland Me. cy	77	64	.01

Portland Ore. sy	92	63	....
Providence pc	80	68	....
Richmond ts	83	68	3.11
St. Louis pc	86	68	....
Salt Lake City ts	97	65	....
San Antonio pc	95	75	....
San Diego pc	77	68	....
San Francisco pc	70	56	....
San Juan sh	83	76	.33
Seattle sy	87	59	....
Spokane pc	92	60	....
Tampa ts	92	74	.26
Washington r	82	70	2.03
Wichita pc	94	67	....

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

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#90222u0721 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

DOVER AIR FORCE BASE, DE (AUG. 10) UPI - A group of 35 Americans, mostly military wives and children evacuated from a Saudi Arabian air base, returned to the United States early Friday as more U.S. troops reached the troubled Middle East.

A C-5 transport with women, children and four U.S. diplomats arrived at Dover Air Force Base from King Abdul Air Base in Daharan, Saudi Arabia, about 4:30 a.m., officials said.

Passenger Elaine Pitman, wife of U.S. Army engineer Marc Pitman, said dependents were told earlier this week they were being evacuated after a week of rising tension following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

''They said 'Don't worry, the C-5 will get you out safely because we have F-15s escorting you out of the kingdom,''' she said. ''We knew there were an awful lot of troops coming in. That made it real.''

Pitman said, however, the evacuees were given return tickets as they left, with the promise that they would be back in Saudi Arabia within 30 days.

Pitman arrived in Dover with her three children, ages 3, 6, and 11 months, and was waiting at the base for arrangements to be made for a rental car so she could drive to her mother's home in Hackensack, N.J.

''We were in a very hot spot in my opinion. Daharan is a very strategic location,'' Pitman said. ''Everybody was sitting around their house watching Cable News Network. We saw this invasion, we know how close it is. The big thing for us was to just follow the news.''

Pitman said life gradually became more restrictive in the compound where her family lived next to the air base and within several days the wives were told not to go to downtown Daharan.

''The next thing we find out is on Monday, the president announced he's going to start deploying all these people out our way,'' she said. But Pitman said she never saw the actual troop buildup until the group was waiting at the air base for their flight out Thursday.

Pitman and other family members of U.S. military personnel were told Wednesday they were being evacuated.

''That night was very emotional night for us because we knew we were leaving our husbands behind,'' she said. ''We know what equipment they didn't have ... and we were nervous because of the chemicals.''

Pitman said her husband and others at the installation were in Saudi Arabia in a training capacity and they had initially expected to be evacuated with their families.

''We're lucky because the government has the responsibility and obligation to get us out,'' said Pitman. ''There are a lot of civilians back there who are trying to get out.''

She said others aboard the plane were headed Friday for Washington, D.C., Texas, Maryland and California. There were 20 children among the plane out of the 35 passengers, plus four diplomats from the U.S. Consulate in Daharan.

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#90222u0722 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

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Putting into perspective what would normally be considered good news, the government said its report is ''based on prices reported as of mid-July, before the outbreak of recent disturbances in the Middle East.''

Despite a 5.3 percent decline in the wholesale price of gasoline last month, economist Donald Ratajczak, at Georgia State University in Atlanta, said, ''Get used to a 20 percent increase next month.''

''That's probably the range we'll be talking about,'' he cautioned.

For example, analysts at Mitsubishi Bank in New York said, ''Each $1 increase in the price of crude oil will translate into a 4 percent hike in wholesale gasoline prices and a 2 percent increase in gasoline prices at the pump.''

But unlike the days before the 1973 and 1979 oil shocks, U.S. wholesale and consumer prices have been moderating ''and a result we shouldn't soar anywhere near the double digit'' inflation of the past, Ratajczak said.

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#90222u0727 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for August 9: Purchases of 447,888 shares and sales of 504,092 shares including 71,683 shares sold short.

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#90222u0728 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (AUG. 10) UPI - Israeli officials, attempting to calm fears of an Iraqi chemical weapons attack, said Friday Iraq does not have missiles with chemical warheads and there was no immediate need to distribute gas masks to the public.

Iraq's accusation Wednesday that Israel was disguising its planes for an attack and warning of retaliatory action caused deep concern in Israel that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was laying the groundwork for a strike

against the Jewish country.

Alarmed by the war of words, hundreds of Israelis and many Palestinians in the occupied Gaza Strip have tried to purchase their own gas mask kits. Iraq used chemical weapons in its war with Iran and also on its own Kurdish citizens.

Defense Minister Moshe Arens, however, Friday told the Hebrew-language newspaper Yediot Ahronot the chances of Saddam using chemical weapons against Israel were slight.

''As far as we know, he does not have missiles with gas warheads. His missiles carry explosives and are not effective weapons,'' he said. ''He will hesitate to use chemical weapons because he is able to estimate our reaction.''

Israel has repeatedly said it is not planning to attack any country but warned it was prepared to respond swiftly to any aggression. Military sources said they were confident that Israel's air force was capable of thwarting an attack by planes carrying chemical weapons.

Arens said a two-year experimental program of passing out gas masks in selected communities would continue and no changes had been made in the civil defense program against chemical weapons.

''There is no reason to deviate from the arrangements we have made. If we really have to, we are able to distribute gas masks in a very short time '' he said. ''At the moment there is no need. The public has absolutely no reason to panic.''

Military sources said a sufficient number of gas masks for the entire population were stored throughout the country and could be distributed quickly.

Israeli officials said Friday the public's growing concern about a chemical gas attack led to the defense establishment's decision to explain why gas masks were not being distributed and its statement that Iraq did not have missiles with chemical warheads.

In addition, Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Dan Shomron said Thursday Israel wanted to avoid measures that might be interpreted as preparations for war.

The army has been reluctant to pass out gas mask kits to the public because studies several years ago showed that people did not store the devices properly, using them while painting and doing other chores or even wearing them as part of a costume.

This week as the crisis in the Gulf deepened, hundreds of people have

contacted importers to buy gas masks, protection suits and other defenses against chemical weapons, the newspaper Yediot Ahronot reported.

''When people heard that I wanted to buy anti-biological and chemical equipment, they looked at me as if I was crazy,'' a 24-year- old woman in Tel Aviv said, ''but this is simply because they do not want to admit they are under a very serious threat.''

The price of the gas masks range between $60 and $175, but not all meet army requirements.

In the Gaza Strip, Palestinians concerned about the danger of chemical warfare have gone to pharmacies to ask for some form of protection. The stores, however, do not stock such protective equipment.

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#90222u0732 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (AUG. 10) UPI - The Food and Drug Administration will be testing honey sold for human consumption because of higher-than-allowed pesticide levels found in samples from Massachusetts, the Boston Herald reported Friday.

The FDA said there was a pattern of pesticide misuse among migratory beekeepers and that samples of Massachusetts honey showed levels 22 times higher than allowed by law.

The FDA said two large-scale beekeeping operations were improperly using the chemical fluvalinate in hives used to pollinate Massachusetts cranberry bogs.

Inspectors found fluvalinate, which is deemed ''low to moderately toxic'' by the Environmental Protection Agency, in honey taken from among 6,000 hives run by one of the firms.

That firm reportedly distribvted honey commercially and through a federal program that supplies schools and elderly centers, the Herald said.

''We don't know whether this is in food for human consumption or not at this point,'' said John A. Hamilton Jr., compliance director of the FDA's Boston office.

''So we are actively investigating it and we will begin testing the honey that is sold for human consumption,'' he said.

Hamilton said it is too early to tell if the fluvalinate levels are high enough to pose a public health hazard.

The Herald said at least two other states, including Florida, are cooperating with the EPA-FDA investigation.

Fluvalinate is made by the Sandoz Crop Protection Corp. under the name of Apistan. It can cause skin, eye and throat irritations and is toxic to fish and wildlife.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (AUG. 10) UPI - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak convened an emergency Arab League summit Friday in a last-ditch diplomatic effort to defuse the Persian Gulf crisis and said there can be no solution unless Iraq pulls out of Kuwait.

Shortly before the summit began, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz called for an immediate withdrawal of U.S. forces from the region to allow ''the Arabs to discuss their problems freely.''

The official Iraq News Agency reported Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would speak Friday on Iraqi radio and television stations.

Mubarak hopes Arab powers can solve the crisis and wants to reverse the massive buildup of foreign forces in the region but Iraq has rejected all previous Arab calls for a withdrawal from Kuwait and it is highly unlikely it will alter its position.

To tighten its control over Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2, Iraq annexed the oil-rich Persian Gulf state Wednesday, declaring the merger eternal. On Thursday, Iraq gave foreign missions in Kuwait a two-week deadline in which to relocate to Baghdad.

U.S. forces dispatched by President Bush in Saudi Arabia settled into defensive positions. The Pentagon confirmed 48 F-15s were in the desert kingdom and an estimated 2,300 American paratroopers were continuing to arrive.

Bush's call for a multinational force met with commitments from Britain and Australia, while France announced it would reinforce its gulf naval presence and send arms and technicians to defend countries against an Iraqi attack.

The European Community said Friday closure of embassies in Kuwait might jeopardize the safety of at least 5,000 foreigners in both Iraq and Kuwait. Dutch Foreign Minister Hans van den Broek said the EC was determined to keep a diplomatic link in place to help Europeans.

The British Foreign Office said it intended to keep diplomats in Kuwait

City ''as long as possible'' to show its refusal to accept Iraq's annexation. A spokesman declined to say whether British diplomats would remain beyond the Aug. 24 deadline.

In his opening 20-minute address to the Arab summit, Mubarak described the Persian Gulf crisis as a critical time for the Arab world. He spoke of gulf states' fears for their security because of Iraq's invasion and reassured them the Arab League was ''standing with them firmly.''

''There is no solution to the crisis and no coming out of the dispute except with the retreat and the withdrawal of the Iraqi troops from Kuwait '' Mubarak said.

He called for Iraq to ''leave the internal matters of Kuwait to its people without any censor (and to) respect the legitimacy of the government before the Iraqi invasion.''

''The price of occupying land by force is a major threat to the whole Arab nation,'' Mubarak said.

Iraq had objected to the deposed Kuwaiti emir, Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah, leading a delegation representing his occupied country at the Arab League summit. But Arab leaders held overnight consultations and apparently overcame the Iraqi objection.

As Mubarak opened the session, the downcast Kuwaiti emir sat near Jordan's King Hussein and Mubarak while Iraq's representative, First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan, sat farther away.

Sitting around the horseshoe-shaped conference table at Nasir City's International Conference Hall, just west of Cairo, were leaders representing 20 of the 21 Arab League members. Tunisia failed to attend the summit, which recessed for Friday prayers after Mubarak's speech. The Arab leaders reconvened 2 1/2 hours later for a closed-door session.

''This summit ... is not an arena to embarrass the Iraqi nation and accuse it for one way or the other,'' Mubarak said during the opening session. ''We are all keen on Iraq, for what it represents, its people, its civilizations.''

The Egyptian leader hopes the meeting will yield an agreement on creating an all-Arab peace-keeping force that would deploy along the Saudi-Kuwaiti border to allow Iraq to stage a negotiated withdrawal from Kuwait.

Mubarak's plan includes assurances to Iraq that the reinstated Kuwaiti government would compensate Saddam's regime for oil Iraq claims Kuwait stole from a border well. Economically ailing Iraq also had accused Kuwait of overproducing oil, thus driving down oil prices.

Before the summit, Aziz told reporters he wondered why an Arab summit had failed to take place as scheduled Sunday before the rapid buildup of U.S. forces in the region. He said Baghdad ''could not ignore the Arab summit'' and welcomed efforts to find a regional solution.

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TOKYO (AUG. 10) UPI - Japan's global merchandise trade surplus in July declined 10.2 percent from the year-ago period to $5.381 billion after posting a 27.6 percent rise in June, the Finance Ministry said Friday.

The ministry, in a preliminary report, said Japan's exports gained 1.8 percent over a year ago to $23.888 billion while imports grew 6.0 percent to $18.507 billion.

The report said Japan's surplus with the United States, its largest trading partner, declined 5.7 percent from June to $3.066 billion. The surplus with the United States accounted for 42.4 percent of Japan's total down from 51.6 percent in June.

Japan had a favorable balance of $1.148 billion in its trade with the European Community, down 28.0 percent from June.

Ministry officials said the downturn in July showed that Japan's trade performance returned to a favorable pattern.

Japan's global trade surplus had shrunk since the beginning of this year until it increased in June.

The officials said the slow export growth was attributable to sluggish sales overseas of steel and electronic components and devices, which fell 15.2 percent and 11.4 percent from a year ago, respectively.

They attributed the slow pace of import growth to lower prices of imported primary products, such as crude oil.

The impact of the tense Middle East situation on Japan's trade data will not be known for a few months, the officials said.

They said Japan's crude oil imports surged 12.7 percent in volume in July over a year ago but fell 0.6 percent in value due to sagging prices.

The ministry said imports of manufactured goods accounted for a record 54.3 percent of the total, topping the previous high of 52.3 percent set in June and April this year.

The ministry said imports of aircraft soared 82.0 percent over a year ago while those of art works increased 440 percent.

Japan's posted a $1 million deficit in its trade with South Africa, down from dlrs 27.75 million in June. Exports declined 4.5 percent from a year ago to $142.8 million and exports fell 11.5 percent to $143.8 million.

Japan's trade surplus with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations rose 0.9 percent over June to $731.7 million, the ministry said.

Japan had a $474.7 million trade surplus with South Korea, down from $662.5 million in June. Its surplus with Taiwan stood at $606.96 million, down from $656.66 million in June while its favorable balance with Hong Kong rose to $1 billion from $980 million, the ministry said.

Japan posted a $758.89 million deficit in its trade with the Middle East, down from $843.4 million in June.

Japan's trade surplus with Latin America fell to $58.51 million from $160.16 million. Its favorable balance with Mexico rose to $45.8 million from $41.96 million while its deficit with Brazil increased to $174.86 million from $161.72 million, the ministry said.

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#90222u0780 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

GREENWICH, Conn. (AUG. 10) UPI - The International Brotherhood of Teamsters began counting votes Friday in nationwide balloting that may decide whether 150,000 full- and part-time workers will go on strike against United Parcel Service.

Teamsters officials have notified the company's corporate headquarters in Greenwich that if a proposed three-year contract is not ratified, a strike could begin on Monday.

It would be the union's first nationwide strike against UPS, the nation's largest parcel shipper, which handles about 11 million packages for U.S. customers daily.

''We're still optimistic that it's going to be ratified,'' said UPS spokeswoman Patricia Steffan, adding the package delivery company had not worked out a specific contingency plan.

''At this time a lot of people are looking into all of the possible options,'' Steffan said.

''No one really wants a work stoppage. It would not be good for the company, it would not be good for the Teamsters and it would not be good

for the customers,'' she said. ''The company is still optimistic it's going to be business as usual on Monday.''

Steffan said word could come as early as Friday on whether or not the contract was ratified, but Teamsters officials in Washington, D.C., where the votes are being counted, indicated no announcement would be made until Monday.

The voting by the company's 150,000 union members has been under way since July 31, when the old contract expired and both sides agreed to a 10-day waiting period.

A walkout would create a massive shipping problem even for rival shippers and the U.S. Postal Service.

Major home catalog companies face delays in shipping products to buyers as the Postal Service has already announced it cannot absorb the volume of UPS business.

The Postal Service said it will limit the amount of packages it will accept from the catalog warehouses in the event of a strike, as well as limit to four, the number of packages shipped by individuals.

The contract offer includes a raise from $16.10 an hour for the average driver to $17.60 an hour over a three-year period and improved benefits.

If approved, UPS also will give full-time workers a $1,000 bonus within a month of ratification and part-time employees will get a $500 bonus, company officials said.

In 1989, UPS made 2.8 billion deliveries for $12.4 billion in revenue.

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#90222u0784 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Stock prices moved lower in early trading Friday as traders, nervous about what may happen in the Middle East over the weekend, took profits from the gains of the past two sessions.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 24.01 Thursday, was down 18.81 to 2740.10 at 10 a.m.

Declines led advances 659-424 among the 1,568 issues crossing the New York Stock Exchange tape. Volume was moderate, amounting to about 19.83 million shares during the first 30 minutes of trading.

Analysts said investors, uncertain about how events in the Persian Gulf may unfold over the next two days, cashed in some of their holdings,

sparking the early decline.

Prices were sharply higher at the close in moderate trading Thursday as investors reacted favorably to news from the Middle East and to a strong bond market.

Analysts said prices were bolstered by news that a Pentagon spokesman described Iraqi troops in Kuwait as seeming to be ''in a defensive posture.''

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#90222u0791 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (AUG. 10) UPI - Iran said Friday Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait raise doubts about its intentions in peace talks with Tehran, the official Islamic Republic News Agency reported.

Ayatollah Mohammed Yazdi, a leading Iranian cleric, said Iraq's action against Kuwait made it ''even less reliable as a party in peace talks with the Islamic Republic than it seemed last week.''

Yazdi, who is Iran's chief justice, was speaking at Friday prayers at Tehran University, which in the past decade has served as a platform where official Iranian policy is announced.

The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2 came only days after Iran and Iraq resumed low-level preliminary talks in Geneva aimed at paving the way for a summit between President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani and his Iraqi counterpart, Saddam Hussein.

The proposed summit was aimed at finding a durable peace between the two Persian Gulf neighbors who fought a bitter eight-year war between 1980 and 1988.

An IRNA dispatch monitored in Athens quoted Yazdi as saying Iraq's occupation and annexation of Kuwait ''has served to demonstrate the inherent belligerence of the Baathist regime'' in Iraq.

There was no immediate indication that Iran was considering breaking off the talks but the Iranian Foreign Ministry said in a statement Thursday that Iraq's annexation of Kuwait was null and void and Baghdad must pull its forces out of the sheikhdom.

Yazdi repeated the call that Iraq must pull its forces out of Kuwait ''and observe international regulations.''

Iran's call for Iraq to pull back came shortly after Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati returned to Tehran from a visit to several

gulf capitals where he discussed the latest crisis.

Regional analysts said Iran has shown by its actions since the August 1988 cease-fire that it wanted peace with Iraq but it may now begin reconsidering its stance and boost its forces along the 750-mile border between the two countries.

IRNA said the Foreign Ministry in Tehran denied Friday reports that Iran and the United States had exchanged messages on the situation in the Persian Gulf.

The news agency quoted a Foreign Ministry official as saying: ''The Swiss ambassador, who is in charge of the Interests Section of the United States in Tehran, had previously offered certain viewpoints in relation with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.''

He said that in a meeting the ambassador had with Iranian officials ''we voiced the position of the Islamic Republic of Iran.''

However, Tehran did receive a message from Turkish President Turgut Ozal on the situation in the Persian Gulf, the news agency said. It did not elaborate.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $388.90, silver base of $4.92 and platinum price of $484.50:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$404.90	400.20
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	207.70	205.30
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	106.70	105.40
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	44.00	43.60
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	404.90	400.20
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	207.70	205.30
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	107.20	105.90
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	44.00	43.60
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	411.40	406.70
China Panda .50 troy oz.	212.00	209.50
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.90	108.70
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.50	46.90
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.40	28.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	405.00	400.30
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	207.00	204.60
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	104.50	103.30
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	44.50

Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	404.00	398.50
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	209.10	206.30
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	107.30	105.90
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.60	45.00
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	403.50	398.40
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	207.50	204.80
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.00	86.90
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	46.10	45.50
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.40	23.20

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.33	$6.27
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,530	$3,480
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,525	$1,500

Platinum		
Australian Koala	510.00	504.00
Isle of Man Noble	499.00	493.00
Canada Maple Leaf	515.00	510.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90222u0806 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak is calling for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. Mubarak opened an emergency Arab League summit in Cairo today saying there is- quote- ''NO solution to the crisis and NO coming out of the dispute except with the retreat and the withdrawal of the Iraqi troops from Kuwait.''

Shortly before the summit's midday start, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz called for the immediate withdrawal of U-S forces from the region to allow ''the Arabs to discuss their problems freely.'' U-S troops were deployed in Saudi Arabia to help defend against a possible attack by Iraq, which invaded oil-rich Kuwait last week.

In New York City, the judge in the Central Park jogger rape trial dealt the defense a blow yesterday when he said parents do NOT necessarily have to be present during police questioning of juveniles. One defense attorney had urged the jury to disregard his client's confession, arguing that a

parent must be present during questioning.

Deliberations resume today in the drug and perjury trial of Marion Barry, the mayor of Washington, D-C, who faces 14 federal counts. One juror was hospitalized yesterday for fever and other ills, but she's expected to be released today. The judge also says he'll consider asking attorneys if they would accept an 11-person jury.

Tropical Storm Edouard hit the Azores Islands with 45 mile-an-hour winds, but later weakened. Forecasters say the storm probably will be downgraded to a tropical depression during the day. At last report, Edouard was in the North Atlantic, 95 miles northeast of the island of Terceira, moving east-northeast at nearly six miles-an-hour.

Canada's army says it will use ''minimum force'' when it intervenes in the tensestandoff between police and Mohawk Indians near Montreal. Quebec's premier Wednesday requested military involvement to break the stalemate. The Indians say a planned golf course expansion will intrude on their ancient burial grounds.

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#90222u0811 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

ROSEWOOD, TX (AUG. 10) UPI - A satellite company and Cable News Network are helping a woman ''in the middle of nowhere'' keep up with developments in the Middle East, where her husband is being detained in a Baghdad hotel.

Charles Amos, 56, is among the Americans being held in Iraq. He was with 10 other oil field workers taken into custody in Kuwait at the outset of the Iraqi invasion.

His wife, Sarrah Amos, said she was keeping up with developments ''minute by minute, practically'' by monitoring the CNN.

When Amos, her daughter, Karen, and son, David, first learned of Charles's predicament, the family could only get information from State Department telephone calls and sporadic news updates.

The nearest television cable was 12 miles from Rosewood, located about 20 miles north of Tyler.

McCoy's Satellite Systems Inc. of Tyler heard of the family's situation from customer Alex Price, a sales representative for Tyler radio stations KZEY-KROZ, who mentioned that the Amos family lived ''in the middle of nowhere'' and only received two channels with their television antenna.

McCoy's installed a 7-foot satellite dish at the family's home so they could watch news accounts 24 hours a day. Manager Jay Simpson made about

25 calls to CNN in Atlanta to get authorization for the network's signal. Permission finally came from Ted Turner himself after he learned that the satellite equipment had been donated.

''That's what satellite communication is all about - communication,'' Simpson said. ''We knew if we didn't do it, she would have no other source. ... I know if we were sitting out there and I was wondering about my dad, I'd want to know what was going on.''

Mrs. Amos says the State Department calls daily but she has been unable to contact her husband.

''The State Department has assured me he is comfortable so ... I'm taking their word for it,'' she said.

The family is ''doing fine,'' she said. ''We're supportive of each other. Friends come and sit with me and want to know what they can do.''

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#90222u0817 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - A diabetic juror who had to be hospitalized for stress and depression returned to court Friday, allowing the jury in Mayor Marion Barry's drug and perjury trial to resume deliberations.

Juror Deborah Noel was examined Friday morning at Providence Hospital and released, a hospital spokeswoman said. She joined 11 other jurors shortly afterward in U.S. District Court, and they began the jury's eighth day of deliberations.

Noel was taken to Providence Hospital about noon Thursday for examination by her endocrinologist, Dr. Ashraf El-Khodary, who has treated her for diabetes, said U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson.

The hospitalization halted deliberations after only about two hours Thursday. Noel's fellow jurors were sent back to the hotel where they are sequestered.

''El-Khodary tells me he can find nothing wrong,'' Jackson told attorneys in the courtroom Thursday. ''She is, however, deeply depressed, overwrought and under great stress.''

Noel, 34, a clinical clerk at Howard University Hospital, was running a fever when she was hospitalized. The hospital released a statement saying Noel was in good condition and admitted for ''overnight observation to monitor her blood sugar.''

Jackson had told a pool reporter that, if Noel's condition worsened, he

would consider asking attorneys for both sides if they would accept an 11-person jury to deliberate the 14 drug and perjury counts against Barry.

The jury has been sequestered since June 18. The panel of nine women and three men has deliberated more than 32 hours over seven days, apparently reaching a verdict on at least one count.

The jury told Jackson on Tuesday it had reached a conclusion on count 12, one of 10 misdemeanor possession counts, but did not announce the verdict.

In addition to the possession charges, Barry faces three felony counts of perjury and a single misdemeanor count of conspiracy to possess cocaine.

He could be sentenced to 26 years in prison and fined $1.85 million if convicted of all counts.

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#90222u0825 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (AUG. 10) UPI - The 12 nations of the European Community rejected Friday the Iraqi annexation of Kuwait and defied Iraqi orders to close their embassies in Kuwait City.

The EC foreign ministers said in joint statement Iraq had no right to take the powers of government in the oil-rich emirate and that they were determined to maintain their diplomatic missions to protect hundreds of Europeans trapped there by the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion.

After a crisis meeting in Brussels, the ministers declared their readiness to take further action to protect their vital interests in the Gulf.

''We reject the announced annexation of Kuwait, which is contrary to international law and therefore null and void. The same applies to the announced removal of diplomatic missions from Kuwait and to the attempt by the Iraqi authorities to exert powers of government within the territory of Kuwait,'' the communique said.

''The community and its member states, having in mind the vital European interests in the stability, territorial integrity and sovereignty of the states in the area, are ready to take further initiatives in the framework of the United Nations Charter that may prove necessary to contain the conflict,'' it said.

The ministers said they feared closure of the Kuwait City embassies might jeopardize the safety of the foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait, including about 8,500 Europeans and Americans.

There are about 300 West Germans in Kuwait and 600 in Iraq. The Irish

believe they have 300 nationals in Iraq and 50 in Kuwait. Another 600 French and 3,000 Britons are believed trapped in both countries. About 455 Italians are similarly placed.

There are also about 3,500 Americans in the two countries, according to the State Department.

Japan earlier refused to move its embassy from Kuwait City to Baghdad.

The statement said the ministers hoped ''the summit of Arab heads of state and government convened Friday in Cairo may take concrete measures to defuse tensions and restore international legality'' after Iraq's invasion of neighboring Kuwait.

The ministers agreed that it is necessary to avoid an anti-Arab crusade in Europe and underlined the importance of an intensified Euro-Arab dialogue.

''We have to take into account three factors here - Arab nationalism, the difficult economic and social situation and fundamentalism,'' Italian Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis reportedly told the ministers.

Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens said that one Arab country - Iraq - had turned on the whole Arab world.

''The European Community stands firmly behind all Arab nations which stand up against this aggressor,'' he declared.

European Commission President Jacques Delors indicated that a new diplomatic initiative by the EC's Council of Ministers might be in the works.

The ministers were said to have discussed the ''difficult'' position of Jordan, which has edged closer to Iraq in recent months and now finds itself embarrassed by the Iraqi invasion.

The Belgians tabled a proposal to set up a meeting of the Western European Union, or WEU, a post-war alliance of the west European powers that predates NATO.

During the Iran-Iraq war three years ago, the WEU sent a small flotilla of ships to the Persian Gulf to keep the sealanes free of Iranian mines.

Eyskens said a meeting of WEU members Italy, West Germany, France, Britain and the Benelux countries would be useful. But like his Dutch counterpart, he declined to comment on the possibility of collective military action.

#90222u0833 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 10) UPI - A federal appeals court has ruled that the Philadelphia School District was right to bar a Muslim teacher from wearing religious attire to school.

The Third U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling upholds an 1895 Pennsylvania law that bans teachers from wearing any religious clothing while on the job.

''We ... accept that the commonwealth regards the wearing of religious attire by teachers while teaching as a significant threat to the maintenance of religious neutrality in the public school system,'' Judge Walter K. Stapleton wrote for the panel.

U.S. District Judge Harold Ackerman, another member of the appeals panel, wrote that ''forbidding one to teach in public schools while clothed in religious raiment keeps public schools swathed in constitutional neutrality - their proper philosophical attire.''

The case involved Alma Delores Reardon, a Muslim who adheres to the conviction that Muslim women should cover their entire bodies, except for their faces and hands, while in public.

Reardon, a substitute teacher in the city district, filed discrimination charges after several principals in 1984 told her she could not teach while wearing a long, loose dress and Islamic head scarf.

The case ended up in federal court and U.S. District Judge James McGirr Kelly issued an injunction against the law and ordered the school district to pay more than $5,000 back pay to Reardon.

The appeals decision reverses that verdict.

Reardon, who was reinstated following the lower court ruling, has since resigned for personal reasons.

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#90222u0853 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 10) UPI - The U.N. Security Council's worldwide economic and military embargo on Iraq is as stringent as the set of measures tried unsuccessfully against the former British colony of Rhodesia 33 years ago.

Diplomats said sanctions against Iraq may have ''gaps,'' meaning that the measures leave room for interpretations as to how to implement them.

The sanctions against Rhodesia, now called Zimbabwe, were purely economic

measures and they specified a ban on tourism, use of its commercial airlines and travel. In addition to the economic embargo, the Security Council also banned arms sales to Iraq, whose military threat looms large over the Persian Gulf.

The embargo to punish Iraq for its invasion of tiny but immensely rich Kuwait Aug. 2 did not call, however, for severing of diplomatic ties or preventing travel by bearers of Iraqi passports.

The action against Rhodesia was adopted in 1967 after the white-minority government there headed by Prime Minister Ian Smith rejected plans for independence and already had seceded from Britain two years earlier.

Smith finally gave up power in 1978 under internal pressure from blacks, a deadly guerrilla war and the withdrawal of South African military aid.

Rhodesia became independent in 1979 and the new black government changed its name to Zimbabwe.

But for 11 years, the Smith government, which ruled mostly the southern part of the country, defied U.N.-led sanctions and survived thanks to the help from South Africa and a host of countries that circumvented international trade law and continued to deal with the regime.

The sanctions against Smith were similar to those imposed on Iraq five days after the better-armed troops of President Saddam Hussein swallowed Kuwait in a matter of 48 hours - to the extent the council considered actions by the two governments a threat to peace and security.

In both cases, the Security Council banned imports of commodities and products from their countries. It ordered states to prevent their nationals from dealing with the condemned governments in commerce, trade or industrial business. Funds, financial loans and economic resources should be cut off.

But in the case of Rhodesia in 1968, the Security Council met to review compliance with the measures and acknowledged that ''they have failed to prevent trade with the illegal regime in southern Rhodesia.''

The Security Council issued four more resolutions from 1968 to 1970 in the face of sluggish compliance with the sanctions, each time calling for strict adherence and specifying more measures to encompass the entire economic activities of Rhodesia.

In 1969, the British governor of Rhodesia, Sir Humphrey Gibbs, reported to his government more than 50 cases of suspected sanction breaking.

A U.N. General Assembly report in 1972 said the Soviet representative

complained that the United States, Portugal and South Africa broke the sanctions against Rhodesia.

The United States in 1972 was accused of continuing to import strategic commodities from Rhodesia, particularly chrome.

The General Assembly said in 1972 that the levels of exports of commodities from Rhodesia from 1968 to 1971, the beginning years of the sanctions, were as high as the level of 1965, or the year before before the sanctions.

The assembly cited one case in which 25,000 tons of Rhodesian chrome was loaded on an Argentine ship at a Mozambique port with its destination the United States.

The U.S. and British governments have consistently opposed economic sanctions against South Africa to force changes in Pretoria's apartheid system because they believed that the majority black South Africans will be hurt.

The Security Council imposed a military embargo on Pretoria in 1977 and wanted the isolate that country economically, but each time it encountered a veto.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - Egyptian President Mubarak opened an emergency Arab summit today in Cairo with a call for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. Envoys of Iraq attended the meeting... as well as the deposed Emir of Kuwait. Mubarak is pressing for an all-Arab peace-keeping force that would deploy along the Saudi-Kuwaiti border to allow Iraq to stage a negotiated withdrawal from Kuwait.

Iraq's foreign minister called for an immediate withdrawal of U-S forces from the Persian Gulf region to allow ''the Arabs to discuss their problems freely.'' Mubarak also wants foreign troops out of the area before the situation worsens. His peace plan also includes assurances that the re-instated Kuwaiti government would compensate Iraq for oil Baghdad claims Kuwait stole from a border well.

Tinder-dry conditions in the West are fueling one-thousand wildfires burning out of control in California today... with dozens more blazing in Idaho, Oregon and Utah. Fire officials say six-thousand firefighters are working the California fires, which have consumed more than 75-thousand acres. A series of dry-lightning storms began starting the fires August 3rd.

The Labor Department surprised private analysts this morning by announcing that wholesale prices edged down by one-tenth of one percent in July. Private analysts had predicted an increase of two-tenths percent in the Producer Price Index for last month. They expect a sharp jump in the August data in the wake of the Persian Gulf crisis and higher oil and gasoline prices worldwide.

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#90222u0878 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

SPRINGDALE, ARK. (AUG. 10) UPI - Don Tyson, board chairman of Tyson Foods Inc., is moving to Britain to oversee personally his company's expansion to Europe.

Tyson said Thursday he plans to be in the United Kingdom after the Christmas holidays to help develop an expanding European market for his Springdale-based firm, the nation's largest poultry company.

He said he planned to stay in Britain for six months to a year to get the Tyson name on the minds and into the refrigerators of Europeans.

He explained that he would be working at the Springdale headquarters for the first two weeks of every month and spend the rest of his time in Britain and Europe.

Tyson Foods supplies several farms north of London with breeder stock, and Tyson said he may live near there.

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#90222u0879 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - President Bush travels to his home in Kennebunkport, Maine, this afternoon to begin his annual month-long summer vacation. The White House says Bush likely would return to Washington, D-C, one day next week for an update by key Pentagon and State Department officials on the status of U-S troops in Saudi Arabia. Bush also will receive daily briefings on the Persian Gulf from a bolstered travel staff.

NASA's Magellan probe will make its one-shot approach today to enter the orbit of Earth's sister planet, Venus. Ground controllers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, will fire a braking rocket for an 83-second ''burn'' to put the craft into an elliptical orbit around Venus. The shuttle Atlantis launched the radar-mapping probe 15 months ago.

The New York City Police Department today suspended the use of a chemical used to subdue dangerous people after an emotionally disturbed youth burst into flames when police sprayed him. The spray, known as Capstun... was determined to be flammable after tests following yesterday's incident.

Officials say the Brooklyn youth suffered first- and second-degree burns.

Forget the notion that those single women over 30 are sitting home and waiting fellas to call. According to psychologist Florence Kaslow, many single women who are 30-plus are career-minded, self-confident and happy with their independence... and far from being desperate to find a man. Kaslow says one reason women had NOT married is that they have high levels of self-confidence.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 10) UPI - Grain futures were mixed and soybeans were sharply higher at midmorning Friday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

A bullish crop report boosted grain prices, although wheat had turned lower within 30 minutes of the opening bell.

The Agriculture Department's corn and soybean estimates in the August crop report were lower than the trade had expected. Additional buying throughout the soybean complex was based on reports of higher prices for soybeans and soybean meal on European markets.

Soybeans had underlying support from a decrease in ending stocks for new-crop beans.

Corn was higher on spillover from soybeans and a lower production estimate along with continued cool weather across the Corn Belt.

Wheat opened higher on follow-through buying, then turned lower in active trading. Commercials were featured sellers of wheat.

Overnight country movement was light and basis levels were steady.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.51 3/4 up 1 1/2; Dec 2.48 1/4 up 2 1/2; Mar 2.56 1/2 up 2.

Soybeans Aug 6.08 1/2 up 10 1/4; Sep 6.14 1/4 up 10 1/4; Nov 6.24 1/2 up 11; Jan 6.35 up 12 1/2.

Wheat Sep 2.89 1/4 off 1; Dec 3.04 1/2 off 1 1/2; Mar 3.13 1/2 off 1.

Oats Sep 1.20 1/2 up 1; Dec 1.31 1/4 up 3/4; Mar 1.41 1/2 up 1/4.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 74.00-78.00 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 141.40 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$265.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.00-$115.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $476.25-$481.50; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $118.00-$119.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 287.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 77.50-87.75 c-lb.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record

INCREASED

KN Energy Inc	Q	.28	9-30	9-14
Louisiana Genl Svc	Q	.19 1/4	11-15	10-19

USUAL

Carpenter Tech	Q	.60	9-6	8-21
Dixie Yarns Inc	Q	.17	8-31	8-24
EIP Microwave	Q	.03	9-28	9-13
Kerr Glass Mfg	Q	.11	9-15	8-31
Lincoln National	Q	.65	11-1	10-10
Maytag Co	Q	.22 1/2	9-15	8-31
Mercantile Bncp	Q	.35	10-1	9-10
Moore Products	Q	.22	9-1	8-21
PaineWebber Group	Q	.13	10-3	9-4
Pitt-DesMoines Inc	Q	.20	9-28	9-14
Science Management	Q	.02 1/2	9-19	8-29
Superior Surgical	Q	.18	9-6	8-23
Washington Energy	Q	.34	9-10	8-24

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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SAVANNAH, GA (AUG. 10) UPI - The remains of Pfc. William Theo Underwood, the victim of a Nazi artillery shell nearly 46 years ago, finally returned home for burial Friday to the relief of his tearful wife and a daughter he never knew.

''I really don't know how to describe it,'' said Underwood's wife, Ernestine, who never remarried. ''I'm glad that he's home and that I will know where he's at.''

Tears filled Ernestine's eyes as she hugged her sobbing daughter, Elaine, 45, as the casket bearing Underwood's remains arrived at Savannah International Airport from Travis Air Force Base in California.

The remains were accompanied by Army Sgt. Steven Hillman, who solemnly saluted as airport workers loaded the flag-draped casket into a hearse waiting to transport the corpse to a Savannah funeral home.

Underwood, a Jeff Davis County native, was 24 years old when he was killed in his first battle Sept. 10, 1944, along a riverbank in France, when an artillery shell collapsed his foxhole. His remains were not found until February 1988, when two French youths with a metal detector uncovered his helmet.

The Army did not positively identify Underwood until this year. Army officials contacted his widow June 6 to tell her that her husband was finally coming home for burial.

A military funeral conducted by a chaplain from Fort Stewart was scheduled Saturday at Sipple's Mortuary with burial to follow in Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Although the Army had officially listed Underwood as missing in action, his widow knew all along that he had been killed. Dale White, a young soldier from Bluefield, W.Va., had seen the foxhole collapse, and had told her of her husband's fate.

But, it was still difficult to let go without a grave to visit, said Mrs. Underwood, who never remarried.

''It was not having an idea of where he was, and not being able to visit his grave. I knew he was in that riverbank somewhere, but that was all,'' she said.

The couple had two daughters, one of whom never knew her father. Mrs. Underwood was pregnant with the couple's second daughter, Elaine, when her husband sailed from New York to France June 6, 1944.

Elaine Underwood, now 45, stood sobbing by her mother's side as the casket bearing her father's body passed by. Mrs. Underwood put her arm around her daughter's neck and hugged her, saying quietly, ''Shh, it's all right, it's all right.''

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 10) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Friday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery lower; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 51-57.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period Year Earlier
Bayou Steel Corp (3rd Q 6-30)
$48,060,000 $56,044,000
d-$885,000 $2,808,000 (.22)
d-Deficit.

Cardis Corp (4th Q 4-30)
$21,189,000 $21,596,000
d-$1,052,000 d-$13,810,000
d-Deficit.

Colonial Commercial Corp (2nd Q 6-30)
$1,988,371 $8,408,823
d-$204,554 $593,459 (.04)
d-Deficit.

Commodore Intl (4th Q 6-30)
$198,100,000 $180,300,000
d-$3,500,000 d-$8,900,000
d-Deficit

Dillard Department Stores (2nd Q 8-4)
$774,564,000 $629,203,000
$28,722,000 (.80) $18,752,000 (.57)

Diversicare Corp (2nd Q 6-30)
$18,978,000 $17,165,000
$599,000 (.05) $543,000 (.05)

EDO Corp (2nd Q 6-30)
$34,444,000 $$35,398,000
$1,401,000 (.19) $1,500,000 (.21)

Finevest Foods (2nd Q 6-30)
$177,207,000 $177,097,000
$764,000 (.07) $179,000 (.02)

Giant Group (2nd Q 6-30)
$22,035,000 $22,032,000
a-$15,613,000 (3.50) $5,685,000 (1.30)
a-Results reflect the sale of Golden State Newsprint Co. in May and improvements in operating results at its cement subsidiaries.

Gitano Group (2nd Q 6-30)
$180,350,000 $132,021,000
$6,649,000 (.47) $4,913,000 (.35)

Ingles Markets (3rd Q 6-30)
$258,123,000 $226,568,000
$3,463,000 (.19) $4,289,000 (.24)

Kimball International (4th Q 6-30)
$152,344,000 $156,933,000
$11,765,000 (.55) $10,150,000 (.48)

La Jolla Bancorp (2nd Q 6-30)
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$1,517,000 (.21) $935,000 (.13)

Maxco Inc (1st Q 6-30)
$23,810,000 $21,951,000
$606,000 (.12) $305,000 (.06)

Mercantile Stores Co (2nd Q 7-31)
$515,345,000 $505,011,000
$16,971,000 (.46) $16,546,000 (.45)

Natl Mercantile Bancorp (2nd Q 6-30)
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a-$1,002,000 $919,000 (.36)
a-Includes one-time charges totalling $3.1 million.

Northwest Air (2nd Q 6-30)
$1,799,000,000 $1,635,000,000
a-$60,000,000 a-$89,000,000
Per share figures not reported.

One Liberty Properties (2nd Q 6-30)
$1,065,283 $894,368
$540,243 (.11) d-$331,161
d-Deficit.

Resorts International (2nd Q 6-30)
$109,103,000 $110,192,000
a-$803,000 d-$27,896,000
a-Per share figures not reported.
d-Deficit.

Schult Homes (4th Q 6-30)
$44,051,000 $39,175,000
$1,311,000 (.40) $836,000 (.25)

Stanley Interiors (2nd Q 7-1)
$42,300,000 $39,878,000
d-$321,000 a-$139,000

a-Per share figures were not reported.
d-Deficit.

Ultimate Corp (1st Q 7-31)
$52,420,000 $49,020,000
d-$845,000 $1,007,000 (.10)
d-Deficit

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - President Bush, praising the personal efforts of Marilyn Quayle to promote early detection of cancer, Friday signed legislation to assist mainly low-income women to screen for breast and cervical cancer.

It was the first public appearance for Vice President Dan Quayle's wife since she underwent a hysterectomy on July 28 after cancer cells were detected in a cervical Pap smear.

At a ceremony in the Roosevelt Room, Bush said the ''tragic'' statistics show that that breast and cervix cancer are detected in 150,000 women each year with 50,000 deaths.

''I want to stress the word tragic because medical experts agree that the early detection, accurate diagnosis and adequate follow-up treatment will significantly reduce these terrible numbers,'' he said.

Bush said there are ''so many sad stories of loss that could have been prevented if more women had been aware that the technology exists'' for early diagnosis.

Last February, Mrs. Quayle and the vice president announced a crusade to push for early detection of breast cancer and last spring they led a 5 kilometer race as part of that campaign.

The president said that Mrs. Quayle had brought ''a wonderful, sincere element to this cause.''

He referred to Mrs. Quayle's ''personal experience'' when her mother, a pediatrician, died of breast cancer, which had not been diagnosed in time.

The bill the president signed provides grants to states to screen women for breast and cervical cancer, using mammograms, Pap smears and physical examination.

Funds will be provided for appropriate referrals for medical treatment, dissemination of information for the prevention and control of such types

of cancer and to improve the training of skilled health professionals.

The states would match $1 for each $3 in federal funds.

Vice President Dan Quayle, first lady Barbara Bush, Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan and Dr. Samuel Broder, director of the National Cancer Institute, joined the president in the signing ceremony.

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OMAHA (AUG. 10) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves none.

Hogs 1,100; butchers steady to 25 lower; No 1-3 220-250 lb 57.25-57.75, No 2-3 250-270 lb 56.00-57.00, 312 lb 53.00; sows steady to 1.00 higher; No 1-3 350-500 lb 49.50 to few 50.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 51.75, few 51.50.

Sheep none.

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#90222u1017 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - President Bush today officially notified Congress that he does NOT believe U-S forces will engage in imminent hostilities in the Persian Gulf. Bush made the comments in letters to House Speaker Thomas Foley and Senate President Robert Byrd. The letters also said that U-S forces will remain in the Persian Gulf region as long as they are required to maintain the security of Saudi Arabia.

Arab leaders meeting in Cairo apparently are NO closer to agreeing on ways to end the potentially disasterous Middle East showdown than they were going into today's emergency session. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak opened the talks repeating his call for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait and warning about the dangers of a divided Arab community. But Iraq's foreign minister turned the tables by saying that Iraq is NOT the threat... and that U-S led multi-national forces should get out of Saudi Arabia.

The Iraq News Agency says President Saddam Hussein will speak shortly on Iraqi radio and television. Saddam did NOT go to Cairo for the Arab League meeting, but he did send a delegation.

There's some good news and some bad news for consumers. The good news is that Labor Department figures show wholesale prices dipped by one-tenth of a percent in July as energy costs declined for the sixth consecutive month. The bad news is that it is NOT going to last. Private analysts say soaring gasoline prices triggered by the Middle East crisis guarantee a

higher cost of living in the months ahead.

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#90222u1031 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 10) UPI - Jury deliberations were halted in Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry's drug and perjury trial when a diabetic juror was hospitalized for a fever, stress and depression. Federal judge Thomas Penfield Jackson said yesterday the juror was expected to be released in time for the panel resume deliberations today. Hospital officials say juror Deborah Noel, a 34-year-old clerk, was in good condition, but was admitted overnight for observation.

Florida officials say dolphin trainer Richard O'Barry forced the U-S Navy to cancel an underwater explosion by sitting on a buoy above the 12-hundred pound charge. Officials say the Navy scrubbed the test when officials found O'Barry straddling the orange buoy about 85 miles west of Key West. O'Barry says the underwater blasts could kill dolphins or ruin their sonar, but Navy officials say the service takes precautions to make sure the mammals are clear of the test site. O'Barry once trained dolphins for the t-v series, Flipper.

Thunderstorms blasted the South and Great Plains with gusty winds, hail and lighting today as fog cloaked New England. Storms traveled over northern Georgia and thunderstorms beat South Carolina. Showers dampened North Carolina. Storms also lingered in the Southern Plains after pounding Texas and southern Oklahoma with heavy rain and hail. Fog over New England dropped visibility to zero in South Weymouth, Massachusetts, and Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

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#90222u1051 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 10) UPI - Led by a gasoline increase of more than 2 cents a gallon, oil prices moved upward in early trading Friday as skeptical world markets watched nervously for a resolution of the Mideast crisis at the Arab summit.

"Right now, the market is on pins and needles," said Kirk Kinnear of Salomon Brothers' Greenwich, Conn.-based Phibro division. "The market is nervous." He said prices began to move upward as traders watched a spokesman for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein called on Arabs to unite in a holy war against foreign intervention in the Persian Gulf.

Saddam's call came as U.S. troops were flying into Saudi Arabia to protect the world's largest oil exporter from invasion by Iraqi forces in occupied Kuwait. "The behavior of the market suggests to me that it's going higher," said Michael McDermott of Paine Webber Inc. in New York. McDermott said

the crude market had been "resting, waiting for news," while petroleum products, particularly gasoline, were leading the way upward.

The world embargo on exports from Iraq and Kuwait after the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of its oil-rich Persian Gulf neighbor may be tightening world gasoline markets first, McDermott said. Kuwait alone has a huge refinery with a capacity of about 500,000 barrels a day, he said.

While the United States, with its limited refinery capacity, doesn't import much gasoline directly from Kuwait, it depends on imports from other nations to satisfy higher demand during the summer driving season.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, unleaded gasoline for September delivery was up 2.18 cents by midday to 78.60 cents a gallon, while home heating oil was gaining 1.73 cents to 71.50 cents a gallon.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude was trading at $26.10 a barrel at midday, 43 cents higher than Thursday's close. McDermott said he saw Merc crude resistance levels at $26.60 and $27.50 a barrel.

On the European cash markets, Dubai light, the key Mideast crude produced by the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and shipped mainly to the Far East, was up 33 cents to $22.13 a barrel.

It was unchanged Thursday after falling $3.95 a barrel Wednesday on reports that Saudi Arabia had agreed to raise its daily output by two million barrels to help make up for the 4.6 million to five million barrels lost by the world embargo placed on Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent crude was up 35 cents to $25.10 a barrel in early trading. It also was unchanged Thursday after losing $3.65 a barrel Wednesday.

A statement by Saddam was unlikely to calm world oil markets, as he called on all Arabs to united against foreign intervention: "This is your day to rise up."

"We call for a holy war," a spokesman for the Iraqi president said in a defiant statement that coincided with an emergency Arab summit in Cairo, where moderate Arab leaders were struggling to avert widespread war and Western intervention. The statement was monitored and translated by CNN News.

"Fellow Arabs and Moslems, wherever you are, this is your day," said the spokesman for the Iraqi strongman. "This is your day to protect Mecca," the spokesman said in an appeal to fellow Moslems in Saudi Arabia, where U.S. military forces are taking up defensive positions at the request of the Saudi leadership.

In an apparent appeal to Egypt, where an Arab League emergency summit is underway, Saddam's representative called on fellow Arabs to "stop foreign fleets from passing through the Suez Canal."

Meanwhile, a spokesman for Japan's largest oil developer, Saudi Arabia Oil Co., said the company's non-essential workers and all dependents have left Saudi Arabia, with a core group of about 100 worders staying on.

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#90222u1097 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

HARPSWELL, Maine (AUG. 10) UPI - Local inns closed for the season early and tourists cut short their vacations because of a huge fish kill that has left as many as a million dead menhaden rotting in Quahog Bay and elsewhere along the Maine coast.

The menhaden, small herring-like fish, were killed last week when huge schools of them swam into the bay and quickly used up all the oxygen in the water.

''It's like the Dead Sea out there. Nothing is alive in that mess,'' said summer resident Marianne Lavine, 81. ''Now when I go outside I run to my car, jump in and close the door as fast as I can.''

She said she planned to leave in a few days for her home in Pennsylvania.

The dead fish first sank to the bottom but within a few days rose to the surface. Some of the fish floated on the surface of the water, others were swept ashore and lined the banks of the bay.

State officials said there is little to do but wait for the fish to decompose. In the meantime, local residents and summer visitors have been trying to cope with the foul stench.

The owners of one bed-and-breakfast on Great Island decided to end their season early. The Harborgate Bed and Breakfast on Dyers Cove Road has already refunded the money of guests planning a late-summer visit.

Marshall Murphy, a spokesman for the state Department of Marine Resources, said the state can do little but wait for the fish to decompose. He said the department has received many complaints about the smell.

''At this point we are continuing to see that natural decomposition is taking place and we are hoping that that will continue to do its work. This is a natural phenomenon and because of that, and the fact that a cleanup would be very expensive and time-consuming, it is best to allow nature to continue decomposing the fish.''

The menhaden are either chased to shore by feeding bluefish or are simply attracted by the warmer coastal waters, state officials said. Similar menhaden kills have happened in Maine's coastal waters in other years, they said.

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#90222u1098 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

DEARBORN, MI (AUG. 10) UPI - Lexus, Toyota's Lexus luxury automobile division, said Friday it is well on the way to meeting its goal of selling 60,000 cars this year but will open about 20 fewer dealers than planned because of a shortage of cars from Japan.

During a press briefing on Lexus's first year in business, central area manager James D. Melton said that the division sold more than 34,000 LS 400 and ES 250 sedans through the first seven months of 1990 and that July sales topped both Mercedes-Benz and BMW.

Melton also said that while nearly all of Lexus's 103 stand-alone dealers nationwide are already profitable in the new car business, Lexus will only have about 123 dealers in operation by the end of this year.

''We had set a goal of 140 dealers by year end,'' Melton said. ''But there has been higher than anticipated volume per dealer and a shortage of cars, and we want to keep dealers at the profit level we promised.''

In the central region - where Toyota has been busy adding dealer points to increase market penetration - Lexus has 18 dealers, mostly in the Illinois and Ohio area. There are plans to add several more, including two in the Chicago area and one in Des Moines, Iowa, Melton said.

Lexus, which went into business Sept. 1 after being formally established two years earlier, plans to open a third dealer in Michigan next year in the Farmington Hills area, northwest of Detroit, and is now choosing from about 25 candidates.

Lexus already has dealers in Utica and Grand Rapids.

Melton said there are currently no minority-owned Lexus dealers, mostly because of prohibitively expensive initial investments that range between $3 million and $5 million, plus $1 million cash ''just to open the doors.''

Company spokesman Art Garner said Toyota only has a program to ''identify potential candidates'' and help arrange financing. But he said Toyota does not provide financial support to any dealers.

On other matters, Melton said customer trade-ins on the ES 250 and LS 400

sedans, prices for which start at about $21,000 and $36,000, respectively, have come primarily from European and domestic brands, with the top two nameplates being Mercedes and Cadillac.

European brands have accounted for 45 percent of trade-ins, while domestics account for 35 percent and Asian brands the rest, he said, adding that ''Japanese trade-ins have been much less than expected.''

So far, the average LS 400 buyer is a married, college-educated male about 47 years old, earning over $160,000 a year. About 65 percent of all LS 400 sales are paid in cash.

The less costly ES 250 sedan's buyer is more likely to be a male, although 35 percent of buyers are female. Average buyer age is 44, with an annual household income of $90,000.

While little changed 1991 models are not slated to go on sale until this fall, Melton hinted that prices will rise, saying ''it would not impact sales significantly if we had a price increase.''

Lexus, based in Torrance, Calif., plans to introduce a coupe model priced between the ES 250 and LS 400 by mid-1991. The coupe is expected to compete with models like the Cadillac Eldorado and the Buick Reatta, both made by General Motors Corp. divisions.

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LONDON (AUG. 10) UPI - Stock prices closed lower in subdued trading Friday on the London International stock exchange as news from the Middle East overshaowed genuine interest in the marketplace.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which added 7.4 points Thursday, eased 11.1 points to 2,233.8. The narrower top 30 industrial average slipped 9.8 points to 1,743.0.

Volume amounted to a meager 310 million shares compared with 430 million shares changing hands Thursday.

Analysts said large institutional investors do not want to open any new positions ahead of the weekend.

Market watchers said investors, uncertain about how events in the oil-rich Persian Gulf may unfold over the weekend, sold some of their positions.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Imperial Chemical Industries fell 40 cents to $17.

In the oil patch, British Petroleum added 4 cents to $6.,50 and Shell added 5 cents to $8.71.

A downgrading by a major brokerage house depressed the breweries sector. Whitbread fell 20 cents to $7.40 and Allied Lyons lost 31 cents to $8.60.

Among some of the day's other highlights, SmithKline Beecham gained 9 cents to $10 and Royal Insurance gained 9 cents to $7.92.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed slightly lower in thin trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 31.95 points Thursday slipped 6.29 points to 1,749.34 as traders continued to exercise caution because of the continuing unrest in the Persian Gulf.

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#90222u1130 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Israel is apparently trying to calm fears of a possible Iraqi chemical weapons attack. Israeli officials announced today that Iraq does NOT have missiles with chemical warheads and there is NO immediate need to distribute gas masks to the public. The move follows escalating concerns that Iraq was plotting an attack against Israel.

Arab leaders searching for an internal solution to the new Middle East crisis appear to be running in place. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak convened the emergency Arab summit in Cairo today by repeating his call for Iraq to get out of Kuwait. But Iraq's foreign minister says it is U-S troops who should get out of the region, allowing- in his words- ''the Arabs to discuss their problems freely.''

President Bush gave the official word to Congress today that although he does NOT expect imminent hostilities in the Persian Gulf, U-S troops will be there for as long as it takes to guarantee protection of Saudi Arabia. Bush made the comments in letters sent to House Speaker Thomas Foley of Washington and Senate President Robert Byrd of West Virginia.

The Labor Department says wholesale prices fell one-tenth of a percent in July as energy costs declined for the sixth consecutive month... but the trend is NOT expected to last. Private analysts say they expect a significant increase in August in the wake of the Iraq crisis and higher gasoline prices nationwide.

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#90222u1140 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AUG. 10) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker called

on his NATO allies Friday to curb the ''menacing ambitions'' of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and the European Community declared its readiness to take further action to protect vital interests in Persian Gulf.

EC foreign ministers said after a crisis meeting in a joint statement they are determined to maintain a diplomatic link to help Europeans in the wake of Iraq ordering foreign missions to relocate from Iraqi-occupied Kuwait to Baghdad.

The EC ministers said they feared closure of the Kuwait City embassies might jeopardize foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait, including about 5,000 Europeans and 3,500 Americans.

''The community and its member states, having in mind the vital European interests in the stability, territorial integrity and sovereignty of the States in the area, are ready to take further initiatives in the framework of the U.N. Charter that may prove necessary to contain the conflict.''

President Bush's call for a multinational force to deter further Iraqi aggression met with commitments from Britain, France and Australia.

West Germany announced Friday that five minesweepers would be sent to the eastern Mediterranean although it was unclear whether they would be ordered into the gulf.

The Netherlands, Spain and Belgium indicated they might consider military action too - perhaps joining in a blockade of Iraq.

In Washington, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said contingency planning is under way for a multinational naval blockade of Iraqi oil exports in the Persian Gulf but ''it's not necessary now.''

Speaking to NATO foreign ministers in Brussels later Friday, Baker said the U.S. allies in Western Europe needed a united response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of neighboring Kuwait.

''We must act now to blunt Saddam Hussein's menacing ambitions,'' he said.

Baker recalled the 1930s and Adolf Hitler's spread of Nazism.

''All of us share a deep interest born of bitter experience in demonstrating that aggression does not pay,'' he said.

Baker referred to the critical position of Turkey - a NATO ally on Iraq's northern flank and said that the gulf was a vital area of U.S. and western interest .

''We could not allow any hostile power to gain a stranglehold over its

energy resources,'' Baker said. ''Turkey, one of our members, is in the frontline of a potential conflict.''

''I know this is a sensitive point for some of you,'' Baker said. ''My suggestion is simple. Members of the alliance should exchange information in NATO about their political and military activities, to facilitate cooperation in whatever channels - bilateral or multilateral - are most useful.''

''We urge each of you to examine how you might help,'' he said.

Iraq, meanwhile, issued a fiery appeal for holy war pitting the Arab and Moslem world against foreign intervention amid an emergency Arab League summit in Cairo.

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PASADENA, Calif. (AUG. 10) UPI - NASA's Magellan radar mapping probe pulled into orbit around cloud-shrouded Venus Friday for a historic $551 million mission to find out what turned Earth's sister planet into a hellish inferno.

In what appeared to be a major success for NASA, a solid-fuel rocket motor bolted to the base of the 2,525-pound Magellan was believed to have ignited on computer command at 9:32 a.m. PDT for an 83-second ''burn'' to put the craft into an elliptical orbit around the second planet from the sun.

''Every indication so far is that this burn went absolutely normally,'' said Magellan commentator Steve Wall at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

Had the rocket failed to fire, Magellan would have sailed past Venus and into a useless orbit around the sun. But the make-or-break maneuver appeared to be near perfect, giving NASA a much-needed morale boost in the waning days of a launchless summer.

If all goes well, the solar-powered probe will begin firing cloud-piercing radar pulses at Venus around Sept. 1, taking photo-like images of the surface that may help determine what caused Venus, so similar to Earth in many ways, to end up the 900-degree inferno it is today, the victim of a runaway ''greenhouse effect.''

Hurtling through space at 24,600 mph, Magellan sailed over the north pole of Venus at 9:28 a.m. Friday, plunging behind the planet as viewed from Earth and out of radio contact with spacecraft controllers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena.

The flight planned called for the rocket firing to slow Magellan down by about 6,000 mph to put it into an orbit tilted 85 degrees to the equator with a low point of 170 miles and a high point of about 5,000 miles.

Obeying the laws of motion described by Isaac Newton in 1687, Magellan emerged from behind Venus at 9:53 a.m. and 13 minutes later, at 10:06 a.m. radio signals from the probe, traveling at 186,000 miles per second, covered the 145 million miles to Earth, confirming orbital insertion. The signal arrived just 10 seconds earlier than expected.

''We saw the signal at 17:06:27,'' said a technician, referring to Greenwich Mean Time.

''We copy that,'' another replied. ''Fantastic!''

It was the most critical milestone for Magellan since the probe was launched from the shuttle Atlantis on May 4, 1989. Project manager Tony Spear said his team felt a definite ''pressure to succeed'' because of recent problems with NASA's Hubble Space Telescope and the shuttle program.

But the 4,731-pound rocket, built by Thiokol Corp. of Odgen, Utah, apparently worked as advertised, setting the stage for a long-awaited mission to map the surface of Venus in unprecedented detail.

After about a month of checkout and calibration, science operations will begin.

Magellan, built by Martin Marietta Astronautics Group of Denver, was designed to map at least 90 percent of Venus's surface during its planned 243-day mission, photographing features as small as a football field to revolutionize knowledge about the mysterious planet.

Unlike the spectacular but brief planetary flybys of the Voyager program, Magellan will remain in orbit around Venus indefinitely. Project scientist Stephen Saunders said it will take several weeks for useful data to begin streaming toward Earth, ''but the wait will be worth it.''

''We're going to reveal some absolutely unexpected and fascinating aspects of the geology of Venus and it'll probably direct our thinking into such unexpected directions that we'll think about things on the Earth that we've never thought about,'' he said.

Magellan, named after the 16th-century explorer, will produce more data than any spacecraft ever built.

''Venus is of special interest to the geologist for the contrast it presents with Earth and for the clues it provides concerning Earth's origin and evolution,'' wrote Saunders and Michael Carr in a book titled

''The Geology of the Terrestrial Planets.''

''Both bodies are of similar size, composition and distance from the sun yet they have evolved to remarkably different states; one developed into a prolific haven for life, the other into a sterile inferno. Unfortunately, we are far from understanding why this happened.''

Radar data beamed back to Earth from Magellan will be processed by powerful computers to create photograph-quality images of Venus's surface, showing features as small as 350 feet across, about 10 times better than the best previous data.

The result will be a detailed map of Venus's surface between 67.2 degrees south latitude and the north pole, enough data to fill some 500,000 library books and enough to keep researchers busy for years to come.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - Fire officials say about 10-thousand people were essentially trapped in the Yosemite National Park overnight when the park's main roads were closed because of out of control wildfires. Forestry officials this morning began escorting campers out of the scenic park. Fire officials report one-thousand separate blazes are burning in California alone.

Teamsters union leaders are counting votes today in nationwide balloting that may decide whether 150-thousand workers will go on strike against the United Parcel Service. Union leaders say workers will go on strike Monday against the nation's largest parcel shipper... U-P-S based in Greenwich, Connecticut... if a proposed three-year contract is NOT ratified.

New York police say an emotionally troubled AIDS patient beat his mother to death and left her body in his Midtown apartment for several days. Police went to the apartment today and found the elderly woman apparently was beaten to death with a hammer and wooden statute.

The Boston Herald says federal officials will test honey because of higher-than-allowed pesticide levels in samples from Massachusetts. The newspaper says the F-D-A found samples of Massachusetts honey with pesticide levels 22 times higher than that permitted by law.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - President Bush Friday appointed Dr. Condoleezza Rice, an expert on Soviet affairs, as a special assistant for national security affairs, making her the first black woman to hold the

high-ranking White House post.

Rice replaces Dr. Robert Blackwill who has resigned to return to the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University after serving at the White House on a two-year sabbatical.

Rice has served on the national security council as the principal Soviet specialist since February 1989.

She became senior director for Soviet Affairs last May, and is currently on leave from her post as Associate Professor of Political Science at Stanford University where she was a member of the Center for International Security and Arms Control.

She is the author of the ''Soviet Union and the Czechoslovak Army'' and with Alexander Dallin, ''The Gorbachev Era.''

She recieved an award for excellence in teaching at Stanford and was a national fellow at the conservative think tank, Hoover Institute in 1985-86.

But Rice is probably best known for an incident last June during Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's visit to San Francisco.

Rice, in San Francisco in her capacity as Bush's senior adviser on Soviet affairs, had been deeply involved in the preparations for the May-June summit in Washington between Bush and Gorbachev.

While waiting at San Francisco airport to say goodbye to Gorbachev and his wife Raisa, Rice was shoved out of the line of dignitaries by a Secret Service agent.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said at the time that Bush was ''very upset about'' the incident and said it should not have happened.

''A Secret Service agent pushed Condi Rice,'' Fitzwater told reporters. ''It's as simple as that. You've all had it happen to you 100 times.''

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#90222u1173 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

CHETICAMP, NOVA SCOTIA (AUG. 10) UPI - Hundreds of tourists and fisheries officials Friday tried to rescue about 60 pilot whales who beached themselves, leaving two of the animals dead as they thrashed in the shallow waters.

The whales beached Thursday but were pushed off the beach or dragged back into the water by rescuers, federal fisheries representative Linda Hache

said.

Many of the whales, up to 16 feet in length, were bleeding from injuries incurred as they tried to escape from the shallow water.

Fisheries officials Thursday dragged two dead whales off the beach and out to sea and managed to lure some of the whales into following like lemmings Hache said.

''When one goes ashore, the rest follow,'' Hache said.

The whales repeatedly moved out a mile or two from the beach then swam back, Hache said.

The whales gathered again Friday and tourists from a nearby campground and residents were helping federal officials keep them away by crowding about in pleasure boats, Hache said.

Officials were reluctant to take drastic action such as roping the whales and dragging them offshore until it is clear they will not leave by themselves, Hache said.

''There's not much we can do. We're not going to intervene or do something drastic,'' she said.

''They might not die but be stranded and the question is how we get them back into the water.''

The whales travel in small groups called pods and sometimes try to beach themselves - but it is not clear why.

It's believed they may beach themselves when following a sick leader inland or become disoriented when unusual sonic movement in the water interferes with their navigating abilities, Hache said.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 10) UPI - A federal judge Friday ordered authorities to free a Mexican doctor who was abducted from Guadalajara, ruling he cannot be tried in a drug agent's murder case because his arrest was illegal.

U.S. District Judge Edward Rafeedie ordered that gynecologist Humberto Alvarez Machain be returned to Mexico.

Rafeedie, however, postponed the execution of his order for a week to give the U.S. Justice Department time to decide whether to file an appeal.

The doctor was abducted from his Guadalajara office last April by Mexicans apparently at the behest of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. He was turned over to DEA agents at an El Paso, Texas, airport.

''The U.S., through its paid agents, unilaterally abducted Dr. Machain from his native soil,'' Rafeedie said. ''The record reveals that Mexico vigorously opposed this act.''

Rafeedie noted that Mexico filed a protest against the arrest with the U.S. State Department and said that, because his arrest was not ''consentual'' between the two countries, it violated the extradition treaty.

Rafeedie, however, did not dismiss an indictment against the doctor.

In February 1985, DEA agent Enrique Camarena was interrogated and tortured more than 30 hours before being killed by drug traffickers at a Guadalajara house, apparently in retribution for DEA raids on marijuana fields.

Alvarez Machain, who allegedly worked for drug traffickers, is accused of injecting Camarena with drugs to revive him during the torture.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 10) UPI - Police and army reinforcements patrolled mixed-race suburbs near the Indian Ocean city of Port Elizabeth Friday and appeared to have restored order after four days of arson, rioting and looting that left 40 dead and scores wounded, authorities said.

Regional police spokesman Maj. Bill Dennis reported sporadic incidents of arson and looting Friday but said the situation had become ''much calmer'' after a ''large concentration'' of police and army units moved into the area Thursday night.

At least 220 people were arrested on looting and arson charges.

The looting spilled over into the nearby industrial city of Uitenhage Thursday night, and rioters in the mixed-race township of Rosedale set fire to a shopping center, burned a car and a bus and stoned police.

Dennis said at least two people were killed and 11 others injured in the Uitenhage area.

Widespread rioting in five mixed-race, or ''colored'' suburbs in an arc north of politically volatile Port Elizabeth erupted last Monday shortly after a legal protest rally over rental policies ended and police used

tear gas to disperse a breakaway group of demonstrators.

But looting and arson and attacks on police quickly engulfed the suburbs, prompting police to declare the unrest had lost its political character and been ''hijacked by criminal elements'' in the area.

It was unclear how many victims had been killed by police but police said an infant shot by a lawman was among at least 40 fatalities. Some rioters were believed shot by store owners who took up arms during the rioting to guard their property.

More than 200 were reported injured.

Officials said the local civic organization, affiliated with the African National Congress, distanced itself from the violence, and ANC officials Thursday held a rally in a bid to halt the arson and looting.

Following the rally, residents helped clear many barricades erected and set ablaze to halt traffic into the area.

Police reinforcements, backed by helicopters and armored personnel carriers, distributed pamphlets Friday and used bull horns to appeal to area residents for a ''return to normality and lawfulness.''

''It may have started as a result of the political protest, but thereafter it was hijacked by these criminal elements,'' Dennis said. ''These gangs have persisted over the years and they have persisted to varying degrees. They are still in the area and it would seem these guys took advantage of the situation.''

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 10) UPI - At least eight people were killed in incidents related to the communist insurgency over the past five days in the northern and central Philippines, the military said Friday.

A military report said government troops killed five rebels of the communist New People's Army in a gunbattle Wednesday in Kalinga-Apayao province, 200 miles north of Manila.

The soldiers were on patrol when they encountered about 20 guerrillas and had a 40-minute gunbattle. No casualties were reported on the government side, the report said.

In Negros island, 350 miles southeast of Manila, NPA rebels shot and killed a dean of the Central Visayas Polytechnic College Tuesday as he rode a bicycle on his way home in Guihulngan village, the report said.

Guerrillas also picked up two village officials from their homes Sunday in the Negros village of Gawahon and executed them publicly at the plaza after they were tried by a rebel ''kangaroo'' court, the report said.

The 19,000-member NPA, armed wing of the outlawed Communist Party of the Philippines, has been battling the Manila government for the past 21 years.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 10) UPI - A national civil rights group said Friday it will investigate two recent shootings of black intruders by Asian store clerks to determine if they fit a pattern of growing ethnic tension.

''We want to take a look at the situations, the circumstances, to see if these things have some commonality,'' said Jim Martin, national legislative director of the Congress of Racial Equality.

''There are perceived problems with Asians and black Americans here in Brooklyn, there are reports of similar problems in Texas and California, and there are problems between black Americans and Cuban-Americans in Miami,'' Martin said in a telephone interview.

CORE's community relations staff plans to visit those communities to look at the problems and see what can be done to ease tensions.

''I am very reluctant to say what recommendations can be made until we look at the situations to see if there is a commonality,'' Martin said. ''We're going in with a blank slate and the facts will fill that slate.''

The group will visit Philadelphia next week to talk to residents and protestors in the neighborhood where the shootings occurred five blocks and eight weeks apart.

''We're going to talk to whoever will speak to us,'' Martin said. ''We're just going to go to the areas, knock on doors and ask questions.''

CORE plans to compile a report on its investigations in all the involved cities by Sept. 1.

In the first Philadelphia incident June 13, the son of a Korean-American shop owner shot and killed a black man after an argument in the Wild Wild West sandwich shop.

The shooting sparked protests after prosecutors determined the shooting was justified because the victim had brandished a box-cutter. Blacks called for the filing of murder charges and have been picketing the shop.

There have been fewer protests from the second incident, which occurred Monday. In that shooting, a Vietnamese-born store owner shot and killed one of two black men who tried to hold up the shop.

The brother of the victim in that shooting was charged as an accomplice in that robbery attempt.

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AMMAN, Jordan (AUG. 10) UPI - For many Palestinians, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is the modern day Saladin, the 12th-century Moslem warrior and sultan of Egypt who drove the crusaders out of Jerusalem.

Saddam issued a fiery call Friday for an Arab uprising and urged fellow Arabs and Moslems to unite in a holy war against foreign intervention in the region behind his leadership.

Although the Palestine Liberation Organization remains neutral in the Persian Gulf crisis, Saddam was expected to continue to gain widespread support among the 4 million Palestinians as long as he defies Jerusalem and Washington.

''This is what makes this man popular - he stands against Israel, he stands against the West,'' said Hassim Abu-Yasser, the PLO's spokesman in London.

''We are caught in the middle,'' said Abu-Yasser of the PLO. ''We are trying to be neutral at the moment to have the facility to contact all of the conflicting Arabs to seek a solution.''

But he acknowledged that Palestinians, generally, are pro-Saddam.

A senior PLO official in Amman, Jordan, said Palestinians in Yemen, occupied Kuwait and Iraq are prepared to rebuff any military action against Iraq by U.S. forces now deployed in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf region.

Palestinian fighters ''are ready for retaliation and we expect them to undertake suicidal operations against the U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia if the Americans move against Iraq,'' said the PLO official, who asked not to be named.

''There are more than 50,000 Palestinian fighters very well armed both in Kuwait and Iraq and they will defend the interests of Iraq.''

The PLO official said the Palestinians' history of friendship with Iraq,

dating from 1948 when the Jewish state was established in Israel, formerly Palestine, cannot be denied.

Fawaz Najia of the London-based publication, Middle East Mirror, attributed Saddam's popular following in the Arab world to his hard-line stances against Iran and Israel.

''He is the person who stopped the mullahs of the ayatollah for eight years,'' Najia said, and is viewed a man who will stand up to Israel.

Much of Saddam's support is, indeed, motivated by anti-American and anti-Israeli sentiments.

Commenting on the U.S. military airlift to Saudi Arabia to counter the Iraqi forces that invaded Kuwait, a Palestinian wrote in the Jordan Times, ''We duly appreciate America's keenness to preserve peace and justice everywhere ... except in Palestine, and to establish right and security everwhere ... except in Palestine, and to uphold international principles everywhere ... except in Palestine.''

The outcome of what Saddam is trying to make a holy war is of special concern to Palestinians staging an uprising in the Israeli-occupied territories who depended heavily on financial support from Palestinians working in Kuwait and other Arab countries.

In an interview with the East Jerusalem weekly Al-Fajr, Slah Abdel Jawad, a professor at the Bir Zeit University in the West Bank, said the 400,000 Palestinians under Iraqi occupation in Kuwait will have mixed reactions to Saddam.

''I think they will lose this independence and the cultural and financial wealth in favor of the regime in Iraq. On the other hand, we must remember Kuwait has played a role in supporting many institutions in the occupied territories.''

Suhail al Natour, a scholar and official of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine in Beirut said while the elite Palestinians in Kuwait would favor the return of ousted royal family, the majority would favor Iraqi rule because it would strengthen their struggle against Israel.

''Palestinian public opinion respects the Iraqi army because of one, good treatment of the Palestinians in Iraq, two, their victory in the Gulf war, and three, Iraqi regime's support of the PLO.''

A Lebanese businessman who owns a large company in Kuwait agreed. ''The majority of Palestinians in Kuwait hailed the Iraqi invasion of the emirate, showering the invading force with rice.''

''I will not be surprised if many Palestinians join the Iraqi People Army.''

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - Soldiers say their chemical weapons suits are so good they'll keep them toasty warm in the winter. In the desert summer warm is not the word for it.

''It's real hot,'' said Army Maj. Joe Padilla, who like everyone going through basic training has practiced in the suits.

''Out there in the summer time, in the heat and humidity, if you find yourself having to do strenuous activity you perspire heavily and your water intake has to increase,'' Padilla said.

Every soldier headed to Saudi Arabia, where troops could be subject to a chemical attack from Iraq, is issued a chemical suit as they get aboard their plane. Their unit travels with a second suit for each soldier. Each suit, once out of its protective package, is effective for up to three weeks, but once put on it cannot be reused and can be worn for about a day.

Each soldier also is issued three auto-injection hypodermics, one with atropine, one with pralidoxime chloride and one with a mixture of each to counter nerve agents. They can be injected safely through the suit.

The suit consists of pants and a coat, black rubber gloves and boots that fit over standard combat boots, a mask that is held to the head by straps, and a hood that covers the head and is held down over the head and shoulders by straps that run under the armpits.

There are different types of masks for the different chores soldiers, sailors and airmen are asked to perform. There is one for the basic infantryman, another that makes it easier to use radios, masks for tank soldiers, for combat vehicle drivers and for pilots.

And if a soldier wears glasses, at basic training he is issued pop-out prescription lenses that will fit his mask.

The mask has a flexible straw on it that can be used for drinking water.

The two-layer suits have an outer layer of a cotton-nylon weave. The inner layer is a foam impregnated with charcoal to filter out dangerous nerve agents or mustard gas before it reaches the skin. The mask itself has a filter to protect the lungs.

''In a hurry, you can put the thing on in a couple of minutes,'' said

Padilla, noting that with the various stages of alert involved soldiers already in the coat, pants, boots and hood on can get the mask and gloves on in 15 seconds.

Iraq has the ability to deliver nerve gas and mustard gas by rocket, air-delivered bomb or by artillery shell. Typically, the agents affect only the immediate area of delivery, unless pushed around by wind, and they become harmless over time.

U.S. analysts believe Iraq will think twice before trying to use chemical agents against U.S. forces because of the massive retaliation Washington could deliver - chemical, nuclear and conventional. But to be on the safe side the forces are taking their chemical gear.

The suit requires some adjustments, such as turning the rifle sideways to aim because a soldier cannot put the stock against his cheek to aim because of the mask, said Padilla.

''It doesn't keep us from doing anything. It doesn't prevent us from performing the mission, but it takes a little longer and you have to concentrate more on what you're doing.''

''It's basically a matter of training. The Army trains the way it's going to fight. We're confident that if we have to don this equipment, we can fight and win wearing it,'' he said.

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MIAMI (AUG. 10) UPI - Representatives for Eastern Airlines and the Air Line Pilots Association met in Washington Friday in a last-ditch effort to reach a contract agreement before a midnight strike deadline.

As the deadline neared, Eastern said it expected a strike, if called, to have no impact on its operations.

Union officials conceded that a walkout would lack the crippling impact of last year's strike. However, an ALPA spokesman said a job action could still hurt the struggling airline.

''The impact will come this time from the travel agents and the public, not from the complete shutdown of the airline,'' said ALPA spokesman Lew Baldwin.

''The financial condition of the company is so fragile that any effect on (business) at this time will have a significant impact,'' he said.

About 3,500 Eastern pilots walked off the job on March 4, 1989, in

sympathy with co-workers represented by the International Association of Machinists.

The participation of pilots was considered key to the success of the three-union strike, which forced Eastern to seek Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

The airline was able to rebuild its operation by filling its cockpits with new hires and union pilots who chose to cross the union picket line.

By the time ALPA called off its strike in November, Eastern said it had all the 1,800 pilots it needed. The company since has recalled 120 pilots.

The lack of ALPA loyalists among the current pilot workforce has led Eastern to label a possible strike as a ''non-event.''

''We are hopeful that an agreement can be reached. If that doesn't happen, that will have no impact at all on our operations,'' Eastern spokeswoman Karen Ceremsak said.

The pilots contract at Eastern became open for amendment in July 1988 and discussions over a new pact have been ongoing since, most recently under the direction of the National Mediation Board.

The board declared an impasse in July, triggering a 30-day cooling off period scheduled to expire at midnight Friday. After midnight, the union will be free to strike Eastern and the company will be free to impose its latest contract offer on working pilots.

However, Ceremsak said Eastern would make no immediate move to change the contract. ''We will assess the situation and consider our options next week,'' she said. ''We want time to study our options and assess the situation.''

Baldwin said Eastern likely chose to postpone a decision on the contract so as not to anger working pilots, who would be affected by any change.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - U.S. officials worked on plans Friday for a multinational blockade in the Persian Gulf, but with Iraqi oil exports apparently bottled up, a White House spokesman said the naval maneuver is ''not necessary now.''

President Bush, who has spent a wearying week-plus confronting the crisis sparked by Iraq's invasion of oil-rich Kuwait, left the White House for a lengthy Maine vacation, but planned to keep in close touch with key aides.

While an impressive naval armada formed in the Persian Gulf region, with warships from Australia joining dozens from the United States, Britain, France and the Soviet Union, Bush formally notified Congress of his dispatch of U.S. troops to the Saudi Arabia but said involvement in hostilities was not believed ''imminent.''

In a letter to the leaders of the House and Senate meant to comply with the 1973 War Powers act, Bush added, ''Additional U.S. air, naval and ground forces also will be deployed,'' but he did not elaborate.

With several thousand Americans already on the ground and more on the way, defense sources said the total U.S. force in Saudi Arabia could reach 50,000 troops.

The presidential spokesman, Marlin Fitzwater, dismissed a call Friday by a spokesman for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that Arab nations join a ''holy war'' against foreign military forces in Saudi Arabia.

''It was just a rambling attempt to disassociate himself against this obvious aggression that they have taken in the Arab world,'' Fitzwater said.

However, the State Department issued an unusual warning Friday saying the gulf situation may raise the risk of terrorism directed against Americans overseas and Bush remained concern about the fate of hundreds of Americans in Kuwait and Iraq.

The president, sticking to earlier plans, headed to his summer compound in Kennebunkport, Maine, for a 25-day vacation. Aides said he would be able to monitor the situation from there easily.

In the largest military operation of his presidency, Bush ordered U.S. troops into Saudi Arabia on Tuesday for Operation Desert Shield. He said their purpose was to defend the Saudi kingdom from possible Iraqi aggression and to see that oil supplies vital to Western economies are not jeopardized by Saddam's military adventurism.

While saying the withdrawal of the Iraqi invasion force and the restoration of the Kuwaiti government were U.S. goals, Bush did not list those objectives as tasks for U.S. military to accomplish and said the Americans position would be defensive.

High-level planning continued on several fronts to turn up the economic pressure on Saddam, with Fitzwater reporting that key pipelines used to transport Iraqi oil through neighboring Turkey to the Mediterraean had been ''completely shut down.''

In addition, he said oil from a Saudi Arabian pipeline that reaches the Red Sea was ''significantly reduced'' and that tankers were not loading at either location.

That effectively left Iraq with only one outlet for its oil - through the Strait of Hormuz at the mouth of the Persian Gulf, a region that became notorious in the late 1980s during the so-called tanker war that was part of the eight-year Iran-Iraq conflict.

To add muscle to last week's U.N.-ordered embargo against the import or export of oil from Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, Fitzwater said planning also was ''underway for a blockade should a blockade become necessary.''

But, he added such a move was not yet in the works. ''It's not necessary now. At this time we believe the sanctions are being complied with.''

On Thursday, a senior administration official at the White House said work continued with other nations on how best to apply the sanctions.

''I would anticipate that we would take some steps to interfere with the export of petroleum products. ... That's part of enforcing the sanctions '' the official said. ''Now, exactly how it will be done, what the characteristics of it will be, are still being worked out.''

The United States also continued to send troops and warplanes into Saudi Arabia, with departing truck convoys causing traffic jams on Interstate 5 outside the Camp Pendleton Marine base in California.

Bush administration sources said about 4,000 Marines from the 7th Marine Amphibious Brigade at Twentynine Palms, Calif., were beginning to ship out and would be in Saudi Arabia by early next week.

Already in place are 2,300 members of the Division Ready Brigade of the 82nd Airborne Division from Fort Bragg, N.C., and 48 Air Force F-15 Eagle fighter jets.

The United States has about 34 ships in the region including two aircraft carriers - the USS Eisenhower in the Red Sea, off the west coast of Saudi Arabia where an Iraqi oil pipeline ends - and the USS Independence in the northern Arabian Sea, near the mouth of the Persian Gulf.

As part of that flotilla, nine U.S. warships are inside the Gulf, led by the command ship of the Joint Task Force-Middle East, the USS LaSalle.

A third aircraft carrier battle group, led by the USS Saratoga and including the battleship USS Wisconsin, is en route to the Mediterranean.

Joining the international effort Friday were Canada and Australia, which

promised to send three ships each to join the multinational forces gathering in the strategic gulf.

Britain has committed three additional mine-hunting vessels, to join the destroyer HMS York, frigates Jupiter and Battle-Axe, and support vessel Orangeleaf. And France said it would dispatch the aircraft carrier Clemenceau and its accompanying ships.

The Soviet Union, which has said it will only take part in a multinational blockade if it was set up by the U.N. Security Council, has sent a command ship and an anti-submarine vessel.

Fitzwater reported ''no significant change in the situation in Kuwait'' and said that U.S. troop and aircraft movement would continue through the weekend for the stand-off that is expected to be protracted.

In his official notification to Congress, Bush said American forces would remain in the region as long as they are required to maintain the security of Saudi Arabia.

State Department officials also reported that the cat-and-mouse games with Iraq continued over the fate of the estimated 580 Americans trapped in the country. Another 3,000 Americans are in Kuwait.

Fitzwater reported no change in status for the 38 Americans detained in the Hotel Rashid in Baghdad or of a 10-year-old girl who is still believed safe in the U.S. Embassy.

''There's no influence that can be brought from the outside'' to secure their release at this time, said Fitzwater.

Also on Friday, 11 American diplomats and dependents were turned back again at the Iraqi border to Jordan in their second attempt to leave the country, the State Department reported. The U.S. Embassy had been told they would be allowed through, but in a repetition of the earlier contradictory behavior and words of Iraqi officials, they were not.

It was expected the 11 would try again as the United States tests Iraqi intentions.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 10) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.

Aug 78.67 79.07 78.52 78.97 78.77
Oct 78.62 78.72 78.37 78.57 78.67
Dec 76.90 77.20 76.80 77.05 77.12
Feb 76.50 76.57 76.25 76.30 76.52
Apr 76.90 77.10 76.75 76.80 77.00
Jun 74.70 74.85 74.55 74.55 74.85
Aug 73.35 73.37 73.10 73.10 73.37 Est. sales 11,132 contracts; Thursday 16,102; open interest 67,940 up 157.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug 89.65 89.70 89.35 89.52 89.85
Sep 88.10 88.25 87.60 87.80 88.30
Oct 87.17 87.20 86.35 86.67 87.32
Nov 86.85 86.90 86.30 86.42 87.02
Jan 86.35 86.35 85.80 85.90 86.52
Mar 84.90 84.90 84.35 84.50 85.00
Apr 84.10 84.10 83.80 84.00 84.45
May 83.35 83.35 82.80 82.80 83.40 Est. sales 1,335 contracts; Thursday 1,529; open interest 11,623 off 21.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug 56.75 57.85 56.60 57.77 56.35
Oct 49.20 49.90 49.20 49.82 49.10
Dec 49.50 50.40 49.50 50.15 49.47
Feb 48.25 48.72 48.15 48.55 48.07
Apr 44.45 44.80 44.45 44.62 44.15
Jun 48.80 49.05 48.75 48.90 48.50
Jly 48.85 49.20 48.85 49.12 49.00
Aug .... 47.75 47.60 47.60 47.67 Est. sales 7,149 contracts; Thursday 12,713; open interest 32,846 up 790.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug 47.50 49.50 47.20 47.62 48.52
Feb 53.00 54.45 52.10 52.35 53.97
Mar 53.00 54.30 52.45 52.45 53.95
May 53.70 54.70 53.05 53.05 54.80
Jly 55.00 55.00 53.80 53.90 54.20 Est. sales 2,796 contracts; Thursday 3,552; open interest 6,085 off 53.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut- out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 122.43 up 18 cents, 700-850 lbs. 122.28 up 20 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 115.50 up 10 cents, 700-850 lbs. 115.73 up-down 16 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were not fully established but had a firm undertone; skinned hams

steady to firm; seedless bellies 1.00-2.00 lower; loins 14-18 lbs. 118.50-119.00; butts 8 lbs. and up 90.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 90.00, 20-26 lbs. 86.00-90.00, 32 lbs. and up 87.00; bellies 12-16 lbs. 53.00-58.00, 16-18 lbs. 49.00-53.00, 20-25 lbs. 46.00.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is calling on Arabs and Moslems to unite in a holy war against Americans and Zionists. A statement read by a Hussein spokesman appealed to Arab countries to join together in ptrotecting in his word- ''Mecca.'' In making the statement, Hussein rejected efforts by Arab leaders meeting in Cairo in hopes of finding a diplomatic solution to the high stakes stalemate.

11 Americans trapped in Iraq tried again to flee to safety today but were turned back at the Iraqi-Jordanian border. The U-S Embassy had been told the 11 diplomatic dependents and personnel would be allowed through after they were turned back in their first attempt yesterday. The State Department estimates that about three-thousand Americans are stuck in Kuwait, while 580 others are trapped in Iraq.

The 12 nations of the European Community say they will NOT follow Iraqi orders by moving their Kuwaiti diplomatic personnel to Iraq. The E-C foreign ministers in an emergency meeting today in Brussels said in a joint statement that Iraq had NO right to take the powers of the Kuwaiti government. They also said they will maintain their Kuwaiti embassies in order to protect hundreds of Europeans trapped in the country during the Iraqi invasion.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 10) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Friday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.90 1/2	2.92	2.80	2.80 1/2	2.90 1/4
Dec	3.06	3.07	2.95	2.96	3.06
Mar	3.15	3.16	3.03	3.04 1/4	3.14 1/2
May	3.17	3.20	3.10	3.11	3.15
Jly	3.16	3.19	3.12 1/2	3.12 1/2	3.15 1/2
Sep	3.18 1/2	3.20 1/2	3.14	3.14	3.18 1/2

Thursday sales 70,245 bushels; Thursday open interest 302,140 off 1,330.

Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	2.52 1/2	2.54	2.49 3/4	2.50 1/4	2.50 1/4
Dec	2.49	2.50 1/2	2.44 1/4	2.44 3/4	2.45 3/4
Mar	2.58	2.58 3/4	2.53	2.53 1/2	2.54 1/2
May	2.64 1/2	2.65 1/4	2.59	2.60	2.61 1/2
Jly	2.68	2.69 1/4	2.62 1/2	2.62 3/4	2.65 1/4
Sep	2.62	2.62	2.58 1/2	2.59 1/4	2.60
Dec	2.60	2.61	2.59	2.59 1/4	2.59

Thursday sales 123,465 bushels; Thursday
open interest 1,020,395 off 6,055.

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	1.22	1.23	1.19 1/4	1.19 1/2	1.19 1/2
Dec	1.32 1/4	1.34	1.30	1.30 1/4	1.30 1/2
Mar	1.43	1.44 3/4	1.40 3/4	1.40 3/4	1.41 1/4
May	1.48	1.48	1.46 1/2	1.46 1/2	1.46 3/4
Jly	1.54	1.54	1.51 1/2	1.51 1/2	1.51 3/4

Thursday sales 7,045 bushels; Thursday open interest 59,800 up 740.

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Aug	6.10	6.16	6.06 1/4	6.08 3/4	5.98 1/4
Sep	6.14	6.22	6.12	6.14	6.04
Nov	6.26	6.33 1/2	6.22	6.26	6.13 1/2
Jan	6.36	6.43 1/4	6.32	6.36 1/2	6.22 1/2
Mar	6.44	6.54	6.43 1/2	6.47 1/2	6.34
May	6.52	6.60	6.50	6.54	6.41 1/4
Jly	6.59	6.66	6.56 1/2	6.59 1/2	6.46 3/4
Aug	6.55	6.62	6.55	6.55	6.43
Nov	6.28	6.36	6.25	6.32 3/4	6.22

Thursday sales 194,350 bushels; Thursday
open interest 444,900 up 10,980.

Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Aug	24.85	24.93	24.66	24.82	24.56
Sep	24.60	24.84	24.52	24.69	24.39
Oct	24.62	24.90	24.57	24.72	24.42
Dec	24.80	25.08	24.60	24.84	24.48
Jan	24.90	25.15	24.75	24.91	24.60
Mar	25.00	25.25	24.80	25.02	24.67
May	25.05	25.30	24.90	25.10	24.78
Jly	25.15	25.30	24.85	25.17	24.80
Aug	24.70	25.10	25.25	25.17	24.70

Thursday sales 13,386 contracts; Thursday
open interest 82,030 up 793.

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Aug	176.50	177.50	176.00	176.50	173.90
Sep	178.00	179.00	177.30	177.50	175.30

Oct	180.00	180.50	178.20	178.30	176.50
Dec	182.00	183.80	181.30	181.40	179.30
Jan	183.50	185.00	182.70	182.70	180.50
Mar	185.50	187.50	185.30	185.40	183.00
May	187.10	188.00	186.00	186.20	183.70
Jly	187.50	189.00	187.00	188.00	184.70
Aug	186.50	186.50	185.00	186.00	181.50

Thursday sales 16,378 contracts; Thursday open interest 63,346 off 760.

Open interest is reported by the CBOT in thousands of bushels.

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#90222u1331 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - Thousands of U.S. Marines were on the move Friday to ship out to Saudi Arabia, with military truck convoys causing traffic backups on California's Interstate 5 near Camp Pendleton.

Bush administration sources said about 4,000 Marines from the 7th Marine Amphibious Brigade at Twentynine Palms, Calif., were beginning to ship out to Saudi Arabia. They will be joining some 2,300 Army troops already there.

At the same time, the Navy was preparing to send to two large hospital ships to the Persian Gulf region - the USNS Mercy from Oakland, Calif., and the USNS Comfort from Baltimore, each with 1,000 beds and facilities to treat victims of poison gas.

President Bush ordered U.S. forces to go to Saudi Arabia Monday night to help deter a possible Iraqi attack, and troops and warplanes began leaving for the oil kingdom Tuesday morning.

Since then, 2,300 paratroopers of the Army's Division Ready Brigade of the 82nd Airborne Division from Fort Bragg, N.C., and 48 Air Force F-15 fighter jets have taken up defensive positions in Saudi Arabia, officials said.

The United States has also sent five AWACS early-warning radar planes.

The Pentagon officially has refused to disclose the number of U.S. troops on the ground in Saudi Arabia or to confirm the movement of specific units until the forces are in place or well on the way.

Defense officials who asked not to be identified have said that the size of U.S. forces being sent to Saudi Arabia for ''Operation Desert Shield'' could reach 50,000 ground troops within a few weeks.

Others expected to be sent include members of the Army's 101 Airborne

Division from Fort Campbell, Ky., the 24th (Mechanized) Infantry from Fort Stewart, Ga., and the 1st Marine Amphibious Brigade based on Okinawa.

Other aircraft expected to be sent include F-16 fighter-attack jets and tank-killing Apache attack helicopters. Also, there are perhaps eight to 12 B-52 bombers on the remote Indian Ocean island of Diego Garcia, within easy striking distance of the Persian Gulf.

At Camp Pendleton, Marine officials declined comment on troop movements. But the California Highway Patrol said that large numbers of trucks entering the base backed up morning commuters on I-5 in northern San Diego County.

As the Marines prepared to ship out, an American living in the Saudi capital of Riyadh said by telephone that despite the buildup of U.S. forces, there was no outward sign of the increased American presence, at least in the city.

''It is not visible at all,'' the American, a retired U.S. military officer, said. ''The average person would be unaware.''

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#90222u1332 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - A federal jury in the drug and perjury trial of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry resumed deliberations today after a juror hospitalized overnight returned to court. Diabetic juror Deborah Noel was examined this morning and released from the hospital, after being treated for fever, stress and depression. The jury has been sequestered since June 18th and has deliberated more than 32 hours during the past seven days.

A New York jury reviewed maps of Central Park in the second day of deliberations in the rape-attempted murder trial of three youths charged with attacking a woman jogger. The jury asked for maps showing areas of the park where prosecutors say the youths were part of a random crime spree that included the attack on the wall street investment banker.

Officials have closed Yosemite National Park as firefighters throughout the West battle raging wildfires that have already charred 200-thousand acres. Fire officials say more than one-thousand separate fires are burning in California alone. About 10-thousand people were essentially trapped in Yosemite overnight when main roads were closed due to fire danger. Forestry officers today began escorting people out of the park.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close
Aug. 9, 1990

Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	475.80	off 2.06	off 2.97
Growth & Income	734.19	off 3.14	off 2.86
Balanced	473.34	off 4.53	off 2.22
Average Fund Performances:			
Capital Appreciation (146)		off 3.28	off 2.97
Growth (260)		off 1.95	off 3.03
Small Co. Growth (83)		off 3.38	off 3.67
Growth & Income (199)		off 2.46	off 2.73
Equity Income (66)		off 4.69	off 2.48
Average 754 Equity		off 2.73	off 2.96
Health/Biotech (9)		up 9.23	off 3.14
Natural Resources (17)		up 3.78	off 2.25
Science & Technology (23)		up 1.04	off 3.80
Specialty/Misc (36)		off 2.60	off 3.46
Utility (15)		off 5.56	off 2.51
Financial Services (10)		off 10.78	off 2.72
Real Estate (5)		off 7.20	off 3.84
Option Income (10)		off 2.56	off 2.11
Global (40)		off 2.23	off 4.81
International (54)		off 1.96	off 5.68
European Region (17)		up 6.92	off 5.14
Pacific Region (18)		off 10.26	off 7.03
Gold Oriented (35)		off 9.98	off 1.29
Average All Equity (1043)		off 2.80	off 3.24
Flexible Portfolio (46)		off 1.12	off 2.05
Global Flexible Port (11)		off 1.47	off 2.56
Balanced (61)		off 1.10	off 2.12
Convertible Security (29)		off 1.74	off 1.99
Mixed Income (14)		off 0.90	off 1.78
Income (4)		off 1.63	off 1.55
World Income (42)		up 5.42	off 0.26
Fixed Income (534)		up 1.90	off 1.15
Average 1784 Funds		off 1.03	off 2.43
Median 1784 Funds		off 0.46	off 2.34
Unmanaged Market Indicators:			
DJ Industrial	2,758.91	up 0.21	off 3.69
S&P 500	339.94	off 3.81	off 3.28
S&P 400	401.20	off 0.57	off 3.39
NYSE Composite	186.24	off 4.51	off 3.18
Amex	341.49	off 9.66	off 3.03

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital

gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)
Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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#90222u1369 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
OTTAWA (AUG. 10) UPI - Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, acknowledging a duty to ensure the integrity of free nations, announced Friday Canada will send a token two naval destroyers and a supply ship to the Persian Gulf.

The ships, with crews totaling 800, were to arrive in the Persian Gulf by mid-September, Mulroney told reporters. They will be placed on active service immediately after their arrival, he added.

Mulroney said the ships, part of Canada's aging fleet of destroyers that are ill-equipped to defend against air attack or sea mines, will ''eventually meet up'' with ships of friendly allies.

He said a decision would be made after their arrival in the Gulf of Canada's precise role in the region.

The West German navy is deploying five minesweepers and two supply ships to the eastern Mediterranean, a government spokesman said Friday in Bonn. It was not certain they would eventually be deployed in the Persian Gulf.

In Canberra, Australia, Prime Minister Bob Hawke said Friday his country will send three naval ships to join a multinational blockade of the Persian Gulf.

Mulroney said the situation in the Gulf was grave and Canada had a duty to play its part in the multinational effort to end Iraqui aggression.

Earlier, Canada suspended trade and economic relations with Iraq.

''By its actions and statements, Iraq has flagrantly violated international law and offended against the most basic values of civilized people everywhere,'' Mulroney said. He said ignoring Iraq's aggression would only encourage further aggression.

''If a clear warning is not sent to Iraq now, it will only be emboldened to find new victims,'' Mulrone said.

The HMCS Athabaskan, the Terra Nova and a supply ship will join ships from the United States, Britain, Australia, Saudi Arabia, and France that are already enroute to the Gulf.

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#90222u1394 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold			
London			
Previous close fix	385.00	up	2.75
Morning fixing	388.75	up	3.75
Afternoon fixing	389.35	up	4.35
Close	391.25	up	6.25
Paris	390.27	up	3.20
Zurich	392.75	up	8.75
Hong Kong	388.75	up	4.10
New York			
Comex spot close	396.90	up	11.10
Republic cash	396.50	up	10.25
Handy and Harman	389.35	up	5.75

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 390.66 up 5.76 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 410.19 up 6.04 per troy ounce.

Silver			
Comex spot close	4.969	up	0.112
Republic cash	4.985	up	0.11

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.92 per fine ounce up 0.06

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.955 up 0.065and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.302 up 0.07

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 488.00 up 7.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 588.00 up 7.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 116.75 up 0.75 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 131.75 up 0.75.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90222u1414 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 2 point higher to 6 points lower. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.45	10.58	10.45	10.49	10.47
Mar	10.35	10.45	10.34	10.36	10.37
May	10.38	10.46	10.37	10.39	10.39
Jly	10.43	10.45	10.39	10.40	10.41
Oct	10.55	10.55	10.47	10.47	10.53

Estimated sales: 8,257 contracts
Open interest: 120,184 off 285
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.52

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday unchanged to 10 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.34	23.43	23.34	23.43	23.33
Jan	23.15	23.18	23.15	23.18	23.14
Mar	23.04	23.11	23.04	23.11	23.03
May	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.10
Jly	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.10
Sep	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.10
Nov	23.00	23.00	22.95	22.95	22.95

Estimated sales: 731 contracts
Open interest: 8,846 off 285

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#90222u1416 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

RENO, Nev. (AUG. 10) UPI - The rock band Judas Priest and CBS Records should be required to pay up to $6.2 million for hiding subliminal messages on a record that triggered a suicide pact between two young men, attorneys for the surviving family said Friday.

Attorneys Vivian Lynch and Kenneth McKenna told District Judge Jerry Whitehead in closing arguments the evidence from a four-week trial showed the concealed phrase ''Do it'' was repeated several times on the song, ''Better by You, Better Than Me.''

Ray Belknap, then 18 and James Vance, then 20, shot themselves with a shotgun after listening to hours of the ''Stained Class'' album of Judas Priest, drinking beer and smoking marijuana on Dec. 23, 1985.

The band has denied it ever placed any subliminal messages on the album. The band argued the sounds in question are those of the band members exhaling and of a guitar.

Lynch said she was not required to show the band inserted the hidden

messages but only to prove the messages existed.

The messages, she said, created a compulsion that pushed the two young men over the edge.

She called Judas Priest and CBS Records ''masters of deception and distortion.'' She accused CBS of finding the two track master of ''Better By You, Better Than Me'', taking it to a studio in Los Angeles and then erasing the subliminal messages.

Lynch said however the messages were discovered by using computers to slow down the record and isolate the sounds on the record listened to by the young men.

Judge Whitehead asked Lynch if there should be damages if the hidden messages ''just happened and there was no intent of the producers.''

Lynch said there would still be liability, but she told the judge the phrases ''didn't get their accidentally.''

She said medical bills amounted to $437,000 for Vance who lived for three years after the shooting in ''pain and torment.'' Belknap died instantly but Vance lived until November 1988 when he died of complications of the wound and prescription drugs.

She said the damage award should be $4 million to $5 million for the ''irresponsible actions'' of the British heavy metal band and the record company.

The judge has ruled already that the lyrics of the song are protected by the First Amendment of free speech, but he said there could be an award of damages if the hidden messages could be shown to be responsible for the shooting.

Judge Whitehead asked McKenna why the band would include the subliminal messages. McKenna said it was to ''enhance'' the record to give it a different sound and make more money - ''give it a competitive edge.''

McKenna asked for $1.2 million for the family of Belknap.

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#90222u1427 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - The State Department issued a warning Friday which said that the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait may raise the risk of terrorism directed against Americans.

The unusual warning said there was no specific information on any attacks,

but the gulf crisis may create a new danger of terrorism ''directed against American interests overseas.''

The department announcement said that U.S. diplomatic posts overseas have been ordered to ''take appropriate security precautions.'' The warning gave no advice on how private Americans should take similar precautions.

The department said it would pass on any specific information to travelers and others when it is received.

The State Department had already issued warnings against travel to Iraq, Kuwait and other areas near the Iraqi border.

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#90222u1435 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

MARTINEZ, Calif. (AUG. 10) UPI - A lethal mixture of morphine and cocaine commonly known as a ''speedball'' killed Grateful Dead keyboardist Brent Mydland, a coroner reported Friday.

Cause of death was ''accute cocaine and narcotic intoxication,'' said the report released by Richard Rainey, Contra Costa County coroner.

Mydland, 37, was found dead in his home in the east San Francisco suburb of Lafayette on July 26.

The final autopsy report also noted that there was no sign of foul play and no drugs or paraphernalia were found in Mydland's residence.

However, ''the autopsy revealed a recent puncture mark on the left arm consistent with recent intravenous injection prior to death,'' Rainey said in a prepared statement. A toxicology examination of the body disclosed ''a lethal level of morphine and cocaine,'' a mixture ''commonly referred to as a ''speedball,' Rainey said.

He had no futher comment.

A northern California native, Mydland had played keyboards for the Grateful Dead since 1972. He was the Dead's third keyboardist to die since the popular rock group was formed in 1965. Former member Ron ''Pigpen'' McKernan died of liver disease in 1973, and Keith Godchaux died in a car crash in 1980, one year after leaving the band.

Since the 1980s, Mydland had played an increasingly larger role in the band, writing and performing as lead singer for three songs on the group's latest album, ''Built to Last.''

Before joining the band, Mydland worked closely as a touring and recording

partner with guitarist Bob Weir, one of the band's founding members.

Mydland is survived by his wife, Lisa, and his daughters, Jessica and Jennifer.

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#90222u1465 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - More than 1,000 wildfires raged on across four Western states Friday, blackening more than 250,000 acres, destroying summer dwellings and wildlife habitats and forcing the closure of California's Yosemite National Park.

The fires, most sparked by lightning and fed by hot, swirling winds, consumed timber, stormed across rangelands and brush left tinder-dry by years of drought.

Fire officials said 1,000 fires were burning in California alone, with dozens more in Idaho, Utah and in Oregon, where 1,000 U.S. Army troops were called in to join a force of 6,500 firefighters attacking a series of blazes in the eastern end of the state.

In California, with 15 major fires burning out of control Friday, officials said the situation remained ''grim,'' with an onslaught of intense thunderstorms and lightning strikes and high temperatures expected to continue through the weekend.

Since Aug. 3, when the first widespread dry lightning storm of the season hit, more than 17,000 strikes have been recorded in California alone.

''The success of our (fire) control efforts will depend on a favorable change in the weather; otherwise the catastrophic fire behavior on the major fires will continue,'' the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection said Friday.

The state's fourth consecutive year of drought, coupled with a serious insect infestation that is killing trees, has ''created unprecedented areas of extreme fire danger'' across California, officials said.

Harley Greiman, an interagency fire official, said that more than two dozen fires burning in Yosemite, a popular 750,000-acre vacation destination, had destroyed some 12,000 acres.

The park was closed Friday, with roads leading into Yosemite shut down at least through Saturday. A park spokeswoman said an estimated 15,000 visitors were in the park when it was closed but they were being escorted to safety.

The largest fire, called the ''A Rock'' fire, burned toward the community of El Portal and consumed about 7,000 acres in its path, destroying at least 28 buildings, including a historical structure and some homes in the Foresta area, a small community between highways 140 and 120.

Nearly 500 firefighters aided by air tankers were battling that blaze and another fire that had consumed some 5,000 acres between highway 140 and 40.

In other parts of the state, some 42,000 acres and several hunting cabins were destroyed in a fire near the Lassen National Forest southeast of the Northern California town of Red Bluff, while a blaze near Kernville in Southern California consumed 19,500 acres.

Back to the north, two smaller fires that consumed about 10,000 acres threatened the town of Ravendale, where officials evacuated the west side of town and residents on the east side were prepared to leave as well.

In Oregon, crews continuing to fight fires burning perilously close to the community of Burns and in other eastern Oregon towns.

But authorities said the army of more than 6,500 firefighters, with 1,000 Army troops en route, was making progress Friday against fires that blackened more than 100,000 acres.

A state of emergency was declared in Oregon's Harney County, where a fire killed horses and cattle and forced the evacuation of some ranchers.

Oregon's largest fire, sparked by lightning, was burning in the Ochoco National Forest, where 70,000 acres were destroyed and three communities threatened.

Evacuation plans remained in place Friday for residents of those areas. Containtment of the blaze was not expected until early next week.

About $5.8 million has been spent just this week fighting Oregon wildfires officials said.

In Utah, crews had contained one wildfire and gained the upper hand on another Thursday, but a third fire Friday was moving toward summer cabins in the Navajo Lake area.

The biggest Utah fire, burning across 5,350 acres on the Uinta-Ouray Indian Reservation, was 80 percent contained Friday.

In southern Idaho, two large range fires that erupted Wednesday had spread to 62,000 acres by Friday.

The largest fire, believed to be man-made, was burning 17 miles north of

Gooding, about 100 miles southeast of Boise and had covered 50,000 acres of sagebrush and grassland home to deer, elk and sage grouse.

Fire officials reported that wildfires nationwide have blackened more than 3.1 million acres so far this year, compared to 1.4 million a year ago.

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#90222u1466 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Iraq today defied other Arab efforts to find a diplomatic solution to the Middle East crisis by calling on all Arabs to unite in a holy war against Americans and Zionists. A monitored statement read by a spokesman of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein appealed to Arabs to rise up and- QUOTE- ''protect Mecca.'' The statement coincided with an emergency Arab session in Cairo at which Egyptian President Mubarak repeated his call for Baghdad to withdraw from Kuwait.

The White House says contingency plans are under way for a multi-national naval blockade of Iraqi oil shipments in the Persian Gulf. Administration spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the plan will be used only if economic sanctions against Iraq doN'T work. U-S, British, Soviet ships already are in the region and French and Australian vessels, as well as West German minesweepers, are on the way.

The 12 nations of the European Community defied orders from Baghdad today by refusing to relocate Kuwaiti diplomatic workers to Iraq. European foreign ministers meeting in Brussels declared today that Iraq has NO legal claim to Kuwait and that European missions in Kuwait will be maintained in order to safeguard European lives. The ministers also expressed hope that the emergency Arab summit in Cairo will produce some ''concrete'' measures to defuse passions.

NASA's Magellan space probe sails to a historic encounter with Venus today and a make-or-break rocket firing to put the craft in orbit around the planet. NASA earlier today said the Magellan probe was 27-thousandthousand 500 miles an hour. It was slowing under the planet's gravitational pull with all systems ''go'' to move into an orbit. The probe is on a 551-Million-dollar mission to map the surface of Venus.

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#90222u1483 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Famed psychologist B-F Skinner says the defense of his controversial theories he prepared for a convention today likely will be his last paper. The 86-year-old father of behavorist pyschology suffers from leukemia. Skinner was chosen to receive American Psychological Association lifetime contribution honors at its Boston convention. Skinner's 1948 book ''Walden Two'' described a Utopian society governed by

his behavorist theory of ''operant conditioning.''

Officials at a Lansing, Michigan, radio station are trying to learn the identity of a disc jockey who has broken into the station's broadcasts nine times. Station officials today say they are baffled as to to the D-J's identity. Officials say the transmissions last less than one minute, with the disc jockey singing a jingle or complaining about fast-food drive-in service. Officials fear he will say something that should NOT be broadcast.

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#90222u1484 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Gasoline prices nationwide dropped slighty Friday in the first decline since Iraqi tanks rolled into Kuwaiti oilfields while angry protesters marched on Exxon Corp. headquarters and politicians appealed to the industry to roll back on prices.

Although the Auto Club of Missouri said prices appeared to be moderating, Karl Scheffing, who works at a Shell station in the St. Louis suburb of Clayton, said most of his customers ''come in and yell, 'Holy cow!'''

The government, meanwhile, said wholesale prices fell 0.1 percent in July on the sixth consecutive month of lower energy costs, but warned its report was ''based on prices reported as of mid-July, before the outbreak of recent disturbances in the Middle East.''

The American Automobile Association, in its daily survey of gasoline stations, said the average price for self-service, unleaded fuel dipped nationwide 0.3 cent to $1.25 per gallon - the first decline since the Aug. 2 invasion.

The decline follows steps by several oil companies to freeze or cut prices.

The AAA also said there are ''adequate gasoline supplies to meet all current travel needs as well as those over the upcoming Labor Day holiday unless conditions significantly worsen in the Middle East.''

But scores of protesters, some carrying placards that read, ''Stop the Rip Off,'' and ''Hussein is Insane: Don't Make it Worse,'' converged on the midtown Manhattan headquarters of Exxon to protest the rise in oil prices.

''The oil companies should be rolling their prices back,'' said Rich Goldberg, a spokesman for the protesters. ''And it's up to consumers to pressure them to keep costs down.''

In Michigan, Gov. James Blanchard charged: ''There's absolutely no justification for what they've done except for foolish panic or price

gouging.''

New York state Consumer Protection Board chief Richard Kessel and other officials personally asked oil companies to cut prices. ''I think it's a hoax. I think it's a rip-off of the consumer and everybody knows it,'' Kessel said.

Indiana Lt. Gov. Frank L. O'Bannon and Rep. Philip Sharp, D-Ind., also held a session with industry representatives in Indianapolis. ''I think the question is, who's doing the gouging?'' Sharp said. ''Saddam Hussein was the first big gouger.''

In Rhode Island, Gov. Edward D. DiPrete set up a consumer hotline to report complaints of price gouging. Angry calls have also been rolling into a Wisconsin state Department of Justice hotline.

''I don't see the price going up too much higher because of the flack the nation has put up against the increases,'' said Dave Stucker of AAA Kentucky.

On the gas line, Rich Cafotte, manager of the Alewife Mobil Station in Cambridge, Mass., said business is off. ''It's like when people first hear smoking is bad for them, they all decide they are going to boycott smoking but it only lasts a short while,'' Cafotte said.

In the nation's capital, Betsy Glick, of AAA Potomac, said one station was charging 11 cents per gallon less than it paid for the gasoline, because it lost two-thirds of its customers when prices shot up.

But John Steele, of the East Coast chain, which operates 42 independent gas stations in Virginia, said his company is losing money because it has no stockpiles, no refineries and relies on spot markets.

''We don't expect anybody to feel sorry for us, but on behalf of our cashiers, our managers, the public needs to know we are not on the winning side of the equation,'' Steele said. ''We buy gas every day just like our customers.''

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#90222u1485 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 10) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $21 to $29 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.40 cent to 1.55 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - unchanged to 0.20 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.01 cent higher to 0.41 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $11.10 to $11.90 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $9.40 to $9.60 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.15 cent to 1.05 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 11.1 to 12.7 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.002 cent higher to 0.006 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

-30- 980

#90222u1491 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Sharply lower in light trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Sharply lower in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed slightly lower in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Dollar - Slightly higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Sahrply higher.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 2 1/2 to up 1/4, soybeans up 10 to 14, wheat down 3 to 10 1/4 and oats unchanged to off 1/2.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

-30- 775

#90222u1500 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1122.0
Thursday	1126.6
Week ago	1127.4
Month ago	1150.7
Year ago	1116.6
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90222u1502 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
DETROIT (AUG. 10) UPI - Chrysler Corp. said it plans to delay work on a new rear-drive luxury model to concentrate its resources on its mid-sized, front-drive models due by mid-1992.

Glenn Gardner, Chrysler's general manager of new platform engineering, said during a management briefing in Tarverse City, Mich. Thursday that the larger model, code-named 'LX,' has been moved to the back of its new car program, with three smaller new models to be introduced within the next five years.

Gardner said the mid-sized 'LH' model is the carmaker's top priority. Both company and industry analysts agree it will be as crucial to Chrysler in the 1990s as its famed 'K-car' was in the early 1980s, when the company was near financial collapse.

The LH models, to be built at Chrysler's Bramalea, Ontario plant, were intended to replace the Renault-based Eagle Premier and Dodge Monaco sedans that have not been selling well against cars like Ford Motor Co.'s Taurus and Sable sedans.

Gardner said the LX model, to be derived from the LH patform, "is not critical to the corporation." Apparently the decision to delay its development was made before the Persian Gulf crisis, which has so far resulted in a substantial price increases at the gasoline pump in the last week.

The decision to postpone the LX may also underscore Chrysler's limited ability to handle several new product programs at once, although a company spokesman stressed Chrysler has not scaled back plans to spend $15 billion on new product during the next five years.

Chrysler plans to also introduce a smaller car code-named 'LN' for the 1993-model year, and an as yet unlabeled replacement for its mid-sized Dodge Spirit and Plymouth Acclaim sedans by about 1995.

This fall it will introduce its first redesigned front-drive minivan since the first version bowed in 1984 under the Dodge Caravan and Plymouth Voyager nameplates.

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#90222u1530 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.88

60 to 89 days 7.78

90 to 119 days 7.68

120 to 149 days 7.63

150 to 179 days 7.60

180 to 270 days 7.55

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.87 - 7.50

Issuers 30 days 7.85

Issuers 90 days 7.64

Issuers 270 days 7.32

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.98

60 to 89 days 7.98

90 to 119 days 7.96

120 to 149 days 7.96

150 to 179 days 7.96

180 days 7.96

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight	8.00	- 8.125
1 month	7 15-16	- 8 1-16
3 month	7.875	- 8.00
6 month	7.875	- 8.00
Year	8.00	- 8.125

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months	7.40	- 7.38
6 months	7.30	- 7.28
Year	7.17	- 7.15

Federal Funds: High 8 1-16, Low 8, Close 8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.785 off 0.032.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90222u1564 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	59	off	7-8
AT&T	35	off	1-8

BCE	32	5-8	off	3-8
Bell Atl	45	3-4	off	3-8
BellSouth	53	1-8	off	5-8
Exxon	51	1-2	off	3-8
Ford Motor	37	3-4	off	1-2
Gen Elect	66	5-8	off 1	3-8
Gen Motor	x39	3-8	off	3-4
GTE	26	1-2	off	3-4
IBM	101	7-8	off 1	3-8
Mobil	65	7-8	unch	
Nynex	74	7-8	off	3-4
Pac Gas El	22		unch	
Pac Teles	41		off 1	
Phila Elect	15	5-8	off	1-4
Sears	30	3-4	up	1-4
South Co	24	1-4	off	1-8
Swst Bell	51		off 1	1-8
USWest	34	3-4	off 1	1-8

x-ex-dividend.

-30- 981

#90222u1598 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks - 14,530,000 shares

1990 to date - 2,175,456,355

Bonds - $2,730,000

1990 to date - $446,474,000

-30- 326

#90222u1599 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - Prince Bandar bin Sultan, Saudi Arabia's ambassador to the United States, said Friday that Arab nations will be part of a multinational peace force guarding his country against attack from Iraq.

Bandar, a member of the Saudi ruling family, said the ''situation is very serious and it is tragic what happened'' and added if ''anyone is to blame'' for the introduction of foreign troops into the Persian Gulf ''it is the government of Iraq.''

Asked whether other Arab nations will participate in the multinational force forming in his country and in neighboring waters, Bandar said ''there will be Arab participation'' but said he would not disclose the identity of the nations until after the meeting of Arab leaders in Cairo, Egypt.

Bandar, for many years the Saudi representative in the United States, spoke to reporters after meeting with Senate Republican leader Robert Dole.

With U.S. troops and aircraft pouring into Saudi Arabia and ships from several countries massing in the Persian Gulf, Bandar said the military deployments were ''purely a defensive move.''

Bandar said the reason Saudi Arabia ''invited the United States and a multi-national'' force was that ''we don't want any escalation of the conflict and we were faced with a superior power.

''We could not rely on the words of the leader of Iraq,'' Bandar said. ''The Iraqis lied to us and the rest of the Arab world many times.''

''Our independence was threatened,'' Bandar said. ''The balance of forces in the region is such an imbalance that we felt threatened.''

''It is very important for the world to realize that the action of Iraq precipated (creation of the multi-national force),'' Bandar said.

Asked whether Saudi influence in the Arab world would be diminished by turning to the West for help, the ambassador said, ''No, I am not concerned about Saudi influence. Now, what counts for the government is the safety and security of its people.''

''Saddam has made a number of promise and broke all of them,'' he said.

Bandar discounted fears that poor Arabs might take it out on Saudi Arabia, and said his country has been ''willing to help any Arab country in need'' and specifically mentioned that Saudi Arabia has helped Iraq in the past.

After the meeting, Sen. Larry Pressler, R-S.D., said he raised with Bandar the issue of financial help from Saudi Arabia for the U.S. assistance. He said Bandar suggested that the United States might get oil in return but deferred on the question of cash to offset U.S. expenses.

Dole said he, Bandar, Pressler and Sen. Don Riegle, D-Mich., also discussed a scenario involving a shift of hostilities to Israel, but he would not elaborate. Some analysts have suggested that Saddam might deliberately attack Jordan, which shares a border with Israel and that move would provoke an Israeli counterstrike. That, the analysts say, would let Saddam demand an Arab war on Israel that would shift the focus of the Middle East tensions away from his sweep into Kuwait.

Dole also said that Bandar said the Saudi people ''feel more secure (now) than they did 48 hours ago.''

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#90222u1602 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.79	off 0.10
10 Public Utils	92.05	off 0.20
10 Industrials	89.53	unchanged

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#90222u1614 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Friday - $33,210,000
1990 to date - $7,104,204,000

-30- 260
#90222u1626 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:
Stocks - 145,340,000 shares
1990 to date - 24,721,783,432
Warrants - 1,254,900
1990 to date - 149,085,700

-30- 330
#90222u1632 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 341.64, low 338.72, close 339.32, off 2.17.

There was a loss of 8 cents in the average share price.

Volume 14,530,000 shares, compared with 13,540,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	10
New Lows	65
Advances	212
Declines	344
Unchanged	246
Total Issues	802

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#90222u1644 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - Laidlaw Inc. said Friday it acquired another 11 million shares in ADT Ltd., raising its stake in the company to 28.8 percent of ADT's outstanding stock.

Laidlaw, of Burlington, Ontario, said in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission that the additional shares were purchased from Michael Ashcroft, ADT's chairman, under a July 25 agreement for $34.1 million. The purchase increased Laidlaw's stake in ADT to 284 million shares. Laidlaw first bought shares ADT shares in 1989.

Laidlaw used operating income and existing revolving term bank loans to fund the deal. The company said it acquired the ADT shares for investment purposes only but left open options to later sell the stock or make additional purchases.

ADT, based in Bermuda, is the parent company of ADT Security Systems. The Parsippany, N.J., subsidiary is the world's largest security system company, with 10,000 U.S. employees and operations in 48 states, according to company representatives.

Laidlaw is the third-largest solid-waste management company in North Americaand the second-largest chemical waste manager. U.S. holdings include Laidlaw Waste Systems, which handles solid waste in 21 states. The company also owns Laidlaw Transit Inc., the largest school bus operator in North America.

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#90222u1651 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2716.58	off	42.33	974.82	off	23.36	203.09	off	1.39
Thursday	2758.91	up	24.01	998.18	up	6.76	204.48	off	1.07
Week ago	2809.65	off	54.95	1039.05	off	39.23	209.70	off	2.38
Month ago	2980.20	up	10.40	1187.59	up	22.63	206.17	off	0.32
Year ago	2683.99	off	28.64	1413.23	off	6.40	217.56	off	2.64
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2543.24			964.78			200.20		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90222u1653 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index 184.15 off 2.09

ASE Market Value Index 339.32 off 2.17
Dow-Jones Industrial 2716.58 off 42.33

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#90222u1654 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.
30 Indus 2716.58 off 42.33
20 Trans 974.82 off 23.36
15 Utils 203.09 off 1.39
65 Stocks 948.88 off 15.59

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#90222u1659 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages increased to 10.08 percent from 9.84 percent a week ago and adjustable-rate notes increased to 8.39 percent from 8.38 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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#90222u1661 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 10) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Friday - 8,797,000
1990 to date - 1,578,863,000

The market closed lower.

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#90222u1662 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 10) UPI - Iraq today called for an Arab ''holy war'' against foreigners. An Iraqi spokesman also called on fellow Arabs to- in his words- ''stop foreign fleets from passing through the Suez Canal.'' In Washington... the State Department issued a warning that the Middle East crisis may raise the risk of terrorism against Americans overseas.

More than five-thousand demonstrators in Amman, Jordan, burned American, Israeli, and British flags today. Analysts say Iraq could try to rally Arab support by confronting Israel through Jordan. The Palestine Liberation Organization claims 50-thousand Palestinian volunteers are in Kuwait and Iraq... ready to fight if U-S forces strike.

The White House says it is planning an international naval blockade of Iraq if necessary. But spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says NO such action is needed now... as long as an embargo of Iraq holds up. Ships from France and Australia are joining U-S, Soviet, and British forces in the Persian

Gulf region.

State Department officials say Americans were stopped today trying to leave Iraq for the second time. The U-S Embassy says Iraq had said 11 diplomats and their dependents could leave... but turned them back at the border to Jordan. A State Department spokesman estimates 35-hundred Americans are stuck in Iraq and Kuwait.

NASA officials say they believe the Magellan space probe swung into orbit today around the planet Venus. The 551-Million dollar project aims at determining through a radar mapping system what turned Earth's sister planet into a fiery inferno. The space agency will detail the mission this afternoon.

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#90222u1673 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	401.20	249.34	135.93	25.95	339.94
Opening	400.66	249.04	135.70	25.90	339.45
11 a.m.	399.24	247.99	135.43	25.80	338.30
Noon	398.17	246.86	135.08	25.70	337.36
1 p.m.	396.40	246.00	134.75	25.63	335.98
2 p.m.	395.00	245.08	134.58	25.58	334.93
3 p.m.	396.10	245.25	134.77	25.67	335.81
Close	395.82	244.57	134.32	25.72	335.52
Change	off 5.38	off 4.77	off 1.61	off 0.23	off 4.42

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#90222u1674 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Kemper Corp	3,378,700	37 1/8	off 1/8
United Telecom	3,138,700	26 1/4	up 7/8
Global Marine	2,140,400	5 7/8	up 3/8
Boeing Co	1,813,700	53 1/4	off 1 1/4
Philip Morris	1,718,900	45 7/8	off 5/8
Houston Ind	1,693,300	32 7/8	off 1/4
Swstrn Pub Svc	1,606,600	27	off 3/4
Placer Dome	1,593,700	17 7/8	up 7/8
Wal-Mart Stores	1,579,400	29 7/8	off 3/4
Waste Mangmnt	1,482,200	38 1/4	off 1 5/8

IBM Corp	1,448,500	102	off 1 1/4
Amer Elec Pwr	1,375,200	28 1/4	off 1/4
Exxon Corp	1,326,600	51 5/8	off 1/4
Lilly Eli	1,251,800	75 1/4	off 2 3/4
Texas Utils	1,244,100	36 1/8	off 3/8

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#90222u1678 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - The Illinois Supreme Court wants to hear the children's side of an argument over whether a set of twins should be involved in a bone marrow transplant. The court today ordered that guardians file arguments for a 12-year-old boy who is dying from leukemia and the twins... whose bone marrow might save his life.

Wildfires are burning out of control in four Western states and have cut across about 200-thousand acres of parched timber, rangeland and brush. Officials say about one-thousand blazes are involved, one of which forced the closing of California's Yosemite National Park and led to evacuation of a nearby town.

Burma says reports of anti-government demonstrations in Rangoon were based on rumors and blown far out of proportion. A government spokesman today denied anyone was killed when security troops dispersed pro-democracy demonstrators earlier this week. He blamed a Western diplomat for spreading stories.

A jury weighing a verdict in the drug and perjury trial of Washington, D-C Mayor Marion Barry resumed its deliberations today. The panel's work was interrupted yesterday when a diabetic juror was hospitalized for treatment of stress and depression. After treatment, she returned to the jury room today.

A count of ballots is under way that may determine whether 150-thousand full and part-time Teamsters union members will stage a nationwide strike against United Parcel Service. Union officials have told the firm that if a proposed three-year contract is NOT ratified, a walkout could begin on Monday.

Actors Equity says its governing council will meet Tuesday to consider reversing a decision that bars a British actor from appearing in a hit London show that is moving to Broadway. The council ruled that Briton Jonathan Pryce should NOT appear in the New York staging of ''Miss Saigon'' on grounds an Asian should play the role.

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#90222u1679 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - U.S. dependence on crude oil from Iraq grew significantly in 1990 prior to the embargo on Iraqi imports imposed in the wake of President Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait, government figures showed Friday.

The latest figures from the Energy Department show U.S. imports of Iraqi crude oil for the first five months of 1990 grew 45.6 percent, or 28.3 million barrels, over a year ago to 90.45 million barrels.

Iraq provided 9.85 percent of total U.S. crude-oil imports of 918.06 million barrels during the January-May period, according to figures from the department's Energy Information Administration. In 1989, the Iraq share was 7.56 percent.

Imports provided half of all the oil consumed as U.S. dependence on foreign oil reached a record six-month high.

The United States and other oil-consuming nations imposed an embargo on oil from both Iraq and Kuwait after the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion and occupation of its Persian Gulf neighbor.

Oil from Iran and Libya had previously been embargoed by the United States because of allegedly terrorist actions by the two nations.

''The sanctions are starting to bite,'' said President Bush when asked by reporters about the current embargo during a flight aboard the presidential bount for his Kennebunkport, Maine, vacation retreat.

''Less of it is getting to market but I cannot tell you that it is totally out of the market,'' Bush said.

Combined, Iraq and Kuwait have exported about 4.5 million to 5 million barrels of crude oil worldwide on a daily basis.

Kuwaiti crude exports to the United States also grew dramatically in the first five months of 1990 to 17.698 million barrels from 5.12 million barrels in the same period of 1989, the Energy Department figures showed.

From May through June, U.S. imports of crude oil grew 96.86 million barrels over a year ago to 918.06 million barrels, with imports from Iraq and Kuwait accounting for 42.2 percent - or 40.89 million barrels - of this increase.

Analysts have attributed the rise in U.S. imports of Iraqi crude to the dynamics of the marketplace rather than any U.S. government encouragement.

John Redpath of Energy Security Analysis Inc. in Washington said the Iraqis expanded their daily crude capacity to the current 3.2 million

barrels from 2.7 million barrels in November 1988 after the end of the eight-year war with Iran.

He said the Kuwaitis also were aggressively selling crude worldwide prior to the Aug. 2 invasion.

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#90222u1680 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - In the wake of a government investigation, the American Red Cross announced a reorganization Friday of its blood collection system to ensure people who get transfusions are safe from AIDS and other diseases.

The Red Cross, which supplies about half the blood used in U.S. hospitals, announced a new administrative structure that gives the national organization more control over regional chapters.

The group also named a new adminstrator to head up blood collecting programs, announced several other personnel changes and pledged more resources to safeguard the quality of safety procedures and monitoring.

''It's going to make sure we can continue the process of maintaining a safe blood supply,'' said George Moody, the Red Cross chairman, at a news conference.

None of the changes should affect the way people actually donate blood at local centers, which already extensively screen and test donors.

The changes follow an investigation by the Food and Drug Administration that found laxity in blood bank tracking of transfusion-associated AIDS and other diseases.

''We think this will enhance their ability to ensure that the centers operate in a safe and proper manner,'' said FDA spokeswoman Sheryl Baylor. ''We do plan to continue to work with them in order that our blood suppply is safe. But we feel they are moving in the right direction.

The human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, which causes acquired immune deficiency syndrome is one of several viruses that can be spread by receiving a blood transfusion from an infected person.

The Red Cross has tested donors for the AIDS virus since 1985 and taken other measures to reduce the risk of spreading the AIDS virus through blood transfusions.

But the FDA report found regional Red Cross offices often failed to report cases of AIDS transmission to the headquarters, which itself often failed

to report cases to the government as required.

''Yes, we have had some problems with record-keeping and paperwork within the organization,'' Moody said. ''This is in response to that, because we feel desperately the need to keep the confidence of the American public.''

The Red Cross faces a class-action lawsuit filed in July by a man claiming he was infected with the AIDS virus in August 1984 by a transfusion at Suburban Hospital in Bethesda, Md., of blood collected by the Red Cross.

The restructuring calls for the organization's 54 regions to report more directly to the national headquarters in Washington through Dr. Jeffrey McCullough, the director of blood services in St. Paul, Minn., who was named as the new senior vice president for blood services.

The organization also said it planned to ''increase resources'' for ensuring and monitoring blood safety, including doubling the number of employees involved in ''quality and regulatory assessment'' and tripling the number working on ''regulatory affairs.''

Stephen Richards was also named as executive vice president while Gil Tills, a senior vice president, and Lewellys Barker, the former blood services director, have retired.

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#90222u1683 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - President Bush, vowing that economic sanctions against Iraq will be ''tightened up even more,'' laid plans for a multinational blockade Friday and warned Baghdad not to ship oil through the Persian Gulf.

''I'm not prepared to use the word blockade, but I am prepared to say that we will do whatever is necessary to see that the exports from Iraq ... do not go forward,'' Bush declared.

Speaking with reporters on board Air Force One as he headed for a Maine vacation and as warships from many nations steamed toward the gulf, Bush also reported that Iraq now was shipping less oil than it has.

But he sent a clear warning to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein: ''I would advise Iraqi ships not to go out with oil.''

The president, expressing gratification at the round of international condemnation of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, also dismissed an Iraqi call for Arab nations to rally in a ''holy war'' against foreign powers in the gulf and said he was concerned about the safety of Americans still trapped inside the two countries.

He made his remarks as officials continued to craft plans for a multinational blockade, but with Iraqi oil exports apparently bottled up, a White House spokesman had said the naval maneuver did not appear to be ''necessary now.''

Bush, who has spent a wearying week-plus confronting the crisis sparked by Iraq's invasion of the oil-rich emirate, also expressed concern about the difficulty of dealing with Saddam and for possible acts of terrorism that might ensue because of the situation.

''The troubling thing is we're up against a man known for his brutality and irrationality and who has taken a step that is so widely condemned and still not been reversed,'' Bush said.

''I do worry about extremists taking extreme acts.''

While an impressive naval armada formed in the Persian Gulf region, with warships from Australia and Canada soon to join dozens from the United States, Britain, France and the Soviet Union, Bush earlier notified Congress of his dispatch of U.S. troops to the Saudi Arabia but said involvement in hostilities was not believed ''imminent.''

In a letter to the leaders of the House and Senate meant to comply with the 1973 war powers act, Bush added, ''Additional U.S. air, naval and ground forces also will be deployed,'' but he did not elaborate.

With several thousand Americans already on the ground and more on the way, defense sources said the total U.S. force in Saudi Arabia could reach 50,000 troops.

The president also dismissed as ''a frantic ploy'' a call Friday by a spokesman for Saddam that Arab nations rise against foreign military forces in Saudi Arabia.

''He is so isolated in the world, so much backed into a corner by world opinion which is almost 100 percent against him, that he has to find some mechanism to try to rally support,'' Bush said. ''It won't work. ... Nobody supports him.''

''Maybe, just maybe ... somebody can talk some sense into this man who has been thoroughly censured by the rest of the world,'' he added.

But Bush also sounded a note of concern for Americans and said he had urged the State Department to issue an unusual warning saying the gulf situation may raise the risk of terrorism directed against Americans overseas.

''Part of any planning has to be about how to protect citizens,'' he said. ''We're not helpless, no. But as we see with hostage situations - and I don't think this is one - sometimes it's very difficult.''

Though in the midst of the largest military operation of his presidency, he said he would stick to his plans for a 25-day vacation at his summer compound in Kennebunkport, Maine.

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#90222u1688 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Contl Air Hldg	1,312,600	6 1/2	up 1/4
PW Group wtB	910,300	4 7/8	up 1/2
Salomon wt Jan	878,000	12 7/8	up 1 1/8
Echo Bay Mines	688,200	13 3/4	up 3/8
Denmark K wt	681,700	14	up 1 3/8
Corona Corp A	577,300	6 3/8	up 1/8
Salomon wt Feb	440,400	14	up 1 3/8
Dow Chemical rt	355,400	7 3/4	off 3/8
Eksportfinans wt	337,700	5 1/8	up 1/2
Americus GTE sc	304,200	8	off 3/8

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#90222u1706 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6775	off 25
Rhone Poulenc	56 7/8	off 13 1/8
Kubota Corp	110	off 8
UAL Corp	107 1/2	off 6 1/4
Lilly Eli wt	75 5/8	off 5 7/8
CBS Inc	173 1/8	off 5 5/8
Cap Cities ABC	503	off 5
Atl Rich pfC	327 1/4	up 3 7/8
Disney Walt	106 3/4	off 3
Long Isl Lt pfJ	78 3/8	off 2 7/8

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#90222u1712 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (AUG. 10) UPI - A man accused of defacing a newly dedicated

sculpture of John F. Kennedy in front of the Massachusetts Statehouse pleaded innocent Friday to a charge of malicious destruction of property, officials said.

Christian Driscoll, 21, of Everett, Mass., was ordered to stay away from the Statehouse and the statue of the slain president, Boston Municipal court clerk John Sweeney said. Driscoll also was scheduled to meet with a court psychiatrist, Sweeney said.

The 8-foot bronze statute was sprayed with splotches of white paint across the forehead and mid-section Sunday, and the word ''murderer'' was painted on the base. It has been taken to its foundry in Beacon, N.Y., for a delicate cleansing. The process is expected to last four to six weeks.

Capital Police arrested Driscoll at his home Thursday after receiving several anonymous tips.

Capt. Dennis Sullivan said Driscoll seemed to be the same Marilyn Monroe-obsessed man who telephoned police to claim responsibility for the vandalism shortly after it was discovered.

The caller said he defaced the statue because he felt the late president was responsible for the actress's death. The vandalism took place on the 28th anniversary of Monroe's death.

Driscoll was released on personal recognizance and was scheduled to return to court Sept. 13.

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#90222u1713 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Helmsley-Spear Inc., the commercial real estate business now headed by Leona Helmsley, is closing branches in New Jersey, the lower Manhattan section of New York and Miami, a spokesman said Friday.

Howard Rubenstein, head of the public relations firm representing Helmsley, said functions now carried out in the branch offices will be transferred to the New York headquarters. "The reason for it is the dramatic downturn in the economy and the real estate industry," Rubenstein said.

Rubenstein said he did not know how many jobs would be affected. But a newspaper reported Friday that 60 brokers and secretaries at New Jersey branches in Secaucus, Parsippany and Shrewsbury had been notified of layoffs.

The New York Post said Helmsley told New Jersey workers Thursday through an aide. "We're in shock because she wiped us out without notice," one broker at the firm's Secaucus office told the Post. A secretary in Secaucus said

Friday that workers there had not yet been given official notice.

Another Secaucus broker said he suspected Helmsley had done the firings in a state of panic because the division lost $300,000 in 1989, although the unit in other years made profits. Helmsley assumed control of Helmsley-Spear Inc., one of the nation's largest brokerages, after her husband Harry, 81, grew ill.

She faces a federal prison term unless her appeal of a federal tax conviction is successful. She was convicted last year on charges that she deducted personal expenses, including thousands of dollars spent on her Greenwich, Conn. estate, from business income. Harry Helmsley faced similar charges but was too sick to stand trial. Leona Helmsley is also awaiting trial on New York state tax charges. In April, a judge dismissed most of the counts against her.

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#90222u1717 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	408.03	off	4.95	417.46	462.48
Industrial	438.24	off	5.88	447.93	447.92
Finance	399.14	off	3.11	406.83	550.17
Insurance	472.99	off	4.20	478.02	543.32
Utility	554.31	off	9.81	576.45	721.06
Bank	299.19	off	2.07	305.72	488.41
Transport	445.78	off	1.03	457.07	460.38

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 410.72

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 178.68 off 2.22

Industrial Index 173.12 off 2.40

NASDAQ-100 Index 412.46 off 5.79

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#90222u1723 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Friday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Sun Micro	(SUNW)	82,061,528	31	up 1 1/4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	68,822,312	38 1/4	off 1
Microsoft	(MSFT)	58,993,984	64 1/2	off 5/8

Amgen	(AMGN)	47,438,140	88	up 1
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	44,851,132	34 7/8	off 5/8
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	42,854,920	74 1/4	off 2 3/4
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	33,744,872	38 3/4	off 3/4
Exabyte	(EXBT)	33,631,624	12 3/8	off 3 7/8
Conner Per	(CNNR)	25,451,416	23 5/8	off 1 1/2
Nordstrom	(NOBE)	23,959,090	27 1/8	unch

Composite Index 178.68 off 2.22

NMS volume 85,984,000 shares.

Advances	579
Declines	1,009
Unchanged	1,237
Total	2,825

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended August 10:

High	Low	Last	Net change
346.63	338.72	339.32	off 7.31

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#90222u1730 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Standard & Poor's stock price index for the week ended August 10:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	401.20	394.74	395.82	off 11.24
20 Trans	249.34	244.57	244.57	off 11.82
40 Utils	135.93	134.32	134.32	off 4.37
40 Fncl	25.95	25.15	25.72	off 0.24
500 Stock	339.94	334.43	335.52	off 9.34

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#90222u1736 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended August 10.

	30 Indus		20 Transp		15 Utils	
Monday	2716.34	off 93.31	980.29	off 58.76	204.92	off 4.78
Tuesday	2710.64	off 5.70	964.78	off 15.51	204.41	off 0.51

Wednesday	2734.90	up	24.26	991.42	up	26.64	205.55	up	1.14
Thursday	2758.91	up	24.01	998.19	up	6.76	204.48	off	1.07
Friday	2716.58	off	42.33	974.82	off	23.36	203.09	off	1.39
Net Change		off	93.07		off	64.23		off	6.61

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#90222u1737 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Thu	Fri	Thu
Argntn austrl	.000174	.000175	5740.00	5710.00
Australia dlr	.7979	.8002	1.2533	1.2497
Austria schill	.0890	.0893	11.24	11.20
Belgium frnc-c	.0306	.0306	32.71	32.68
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0141	.0141	71.12	71.02
Britain pound	1.8720	1.8675	.5342	.5355
Britain 1-mo	1.8611	1.8586	.5373	.5386
Britain 3-mo	1.8403	1.8360	.5434	.5447
Britain 6-mo	1.8117	1.8071	.5520	.5534
Canada dollar	.8718	.8723	1.1470	1.1464
Canada 1-mo	.8678	.8682	1.1523	1.1518
Canada 3-mo	.8610	.8608	1.1615	1.1617
Canada 6-mo	.8524	.8523	1.1732	1.1733
Chile peso-f	.003450	.003451	289.89	289.75
China yuan	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127
Colombia pes	.001973	.001975	506.78	506.21
Denmark krne	.1642	.1648	6.0900	6.0680
Ecudr sucr-z	.001119	.001120	893.97	892.98
Egypt pound	.3728	.3728	2.6825	2.6825
Finlnd mrkka	.2671	.2670	3.7435	3.7450
France franc	.1879	.1870	5.3215	5.3490
France 1-mo	.1876	.1867	5.3291	5.3568
France 3-mo	.1870	.1860	5.3482	5.3759
France 6-mo	.1859	.1850	5.3790	5.4058
Greece drach	.006395	.006428	156.37	155.57
Hollnd guildr	.5594	.5561	1.7876	1.7981
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1287	7.7725	7.7720
India rupee	.0578	.0578	17.31	17.29
Indo'sa rupia	.000543	.000543	1843.00	1842.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082

Ireland punt	1.6882	1.6840	0.5923	0.5938
Israel shekel	.5025	.5025	1.9900	1.9900
Italy lira	.000860	.000856	1162.75	1168.00
Japan yen	.006656	.006675	150.25	149.82
Japan 1-mo	.006659	.006678	150.18	149.74
Japan 3-mo	.006659	.006671	150.17	149.90
Japan 6-mo	.006660	.006671	150.16	149.90
Jordan dinar	1.5328	1.5328	0.6524	0.6524
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico pes-z	.000349	.000349	2864.00	2864.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6015	.6010	1.6625	1.6639
Norway krne	.1627	.1624	6.1450	6.1560
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0466	21.50	21.48
Peru inti	.000003	.000003	315,200	295,500
P'pnes peso-z	.0441	.0441	22.66	22.66
Portugl escd	.007134	.007160	140.17	139.67
Saudi riyal	.2668	.2668	3.7480	3.7480
Singapore dlr	.5546	.5540	1.8030	1.8050
S.Africa rand	.3865	.3872	2.5874	2.5824
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010228	.010242	97.77	97.64
Sweden krona	.1711	.1713	5.8430	5.8390
Switzrl franc	.7474	.7443	1.3380	1.3435
Switzrl 1-mo	.7469	.7438	1.3389	1.3444
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7453	.7424	1.3418	1.3470
Switzrl 6-mo	.7429	.7404	1.3460	1.3506
Taiwan dollar	.0371	.0371	26.97	26.99
Turkey lira	.000377	.000377	2653.00	2652.00
UAE dirham	.2725	.2725	3.6699	3.6699
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0206	.0207	48.46	48.41
W.Ger Mark	.6303	.6268	1.5865	1.5955
W.Ger 1-mo	.6302	.6266	1.5868	1.5958
W.Ger 3-mo	.6296	.6261	1.5884	1.5973
W.Ger 6-mo	.6279	.6246	1.5926	1.6009
Yugoes dinar	.0911	.0916	10.98	10.92

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending August 10.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	91.30	91.30	90.73	90.79	off 0.64
10 Utils	92.25	92.31	91.73	92.05	off 0.66
10 Indus	90.36	90.36	89.53	89.53	off 0.63

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#90222u1741 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	22.45-22.55	21.80-21.90
North Sea Brent	25.45-25.55	24.75-24.85
West Texas Intermed	26.25-26.30	25.70-25.75
Light Louisiana Sweet	26.80-26.90	26.15-26.25
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	83.95-84.45	80.15-80.40
No. 2 Heating oil	70.95-71.20	68.25-68.50
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	80.70-80.95	78.00-78.25
No. 2 Heating oil	69.85-70.10	66.85-67.05

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#90222u1762 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended August 10, 1990.

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	508,740,448	39 3/4	36	38 1/4	off 1
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	342,505,760	65 3/4	58 1/2	64 1/2	off 5/8
Sun Microsy	(SUNW)	309,637,280	32 1/4	27 1/4	31	up 1 1/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	309,244,448	78	72	74 1/4	off 2 3/4
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	307,499,296	88	79	88	up 1
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	303,833,024	35 5/8	33 5/8	34 7/8	off 5/8
Apple Comptr	(AAPL)	230,648,400	40 3/4	38 1/4	38 3/4	off 3/4
Reuter Hldgs	(RTRS)	178,072,448	56 5/8	52 1/2	55 3/4	off 3/4
Conner Perip	(CNNR)	177,013,664	25 1/2	21 1/4	23 5/8	off 1 1/2
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	133,773,040	49	42	48 3/4	up 1/2

NMS volume 723,397,700 shares.

Advances	716
Declines	1,454
Unchanged	652
Total	2,822

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#90222u1769 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

ANKARA, TURKEY (AUG. 10) UPI - Turkey said Friday it may intervene if Iraq attacks Saudi Arabia, but played down reports that Iraqi forces were massing on the Turkish border.

Foreign Ministry officials said Ankara is not planning to assume a military role in the current Persian Gulf crisis, following the Iraqi invasion and annexation of Kuwait, but may act if Iraqi forces attack Saudi Arabia.

In Brussels, Secretary of State James Baker told NATO foreign ministers that Turkey was in a critical position on Iraq's northern flank.

Earlier, at the end of his visit to Ankara, Baker said any Iraqi attack on Turkey would be considered an attack on a NATO member-state and would draw NATO forces directly into the conflict.

Officials in Ankara said they had no evidence that Iraqi troops were massing on the Turkish border.

Turkey's air force was nevertheless put on what the officials described as an ''advanced state of preparedness,'' or a higher state of alert than that reported two days ago.

For the past two days Turkish jet fighters have carried out air exercises

close to the Iraqi border.

Ankara has also boosted its forces around a controversial dam on the Euphrates River in the southeast of the country. The two states are engaged in a bitter dispute over Turkey's decision to build the dam, which reduces the volume of water flowing into Iraq.

Turkey has complied with U.N. Security Council sanctions against Iraq and closed a twin pipeline carrying about 1.5 million tons of Iraqi oil a day through Turkish territory.

Officials in Ankara said some 12,000 Turks were still in Iraq and Kuwait. They included some 8,000 truck drivers and their assistants currently in the two Gulf states with 4,000 trucks.

Several Turkish oil tanker-trucks have crossed back into Turkey over the past two days without oil. Returning truck drivers said large numbers of Iraqi troops were close to the Turkish border.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.01	8.10	9.00
91-day Treasury bills	7.63	7.65	7.93
182-day Treasury bills	7.68	7.67	7.65
1-year Treasury bills	7.67	7.71	7.61
3-year Treasury notes	8.12	8.12	7.05
7-year Treasury notes	8.55	8.54	8.08
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.78	8.77	8.86
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.25	9.25	8.23
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.88	9.86	9.17
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.10	9.13	9.18
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.39	9.38	9.10
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.44	9.44	9.34
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.42	9.42	9.32

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended August 10, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Texaco Inc	22,153,400	67 3/8	62 1/8	63 1/8	off 1 1/2
Alcan Alum	18,794,100	23 1/8	22 1/8	22 1/2	off 7/8
Wal-Mart Stores	13,090,100	31	28	29 7/8	off 1/2
Philip Morris	12,780,800	46 1/2	43 1/4	45 7/8	off 5/8
Boeing Co	10,800,500	54 7/8	50 1/4	53 1/4	off 3/4
United Telecom	10,607,600	26 3/4	23	26 1/4	up 1 1/2
Exxon Corp	10,305,000	55 1/8	51 1/8	51 5/8	off 1 1/2
Gen Electric	9,995,300	68 3/8	65 5/8	66 5/8	off 3 1/8
Global Marine	9,445,900	5 7/8	5	5 7/8	up 3/4
AT&T Company	9,114,700	35 5/8	34	35	off 1
IBM Corp	9,112,100	105	101 1/2	102	off 4 7/8
Waste Mangmnt	9,047,400	40 1/4	34	38 1/4	off 1 1/4
Citicorp	8,547,300	19 7/8	17 1/2	19 5/8	up 1
Gen Motors	x-8,519,000	42 3/8	39 1/8	39 1/2	off 3 7/8
GTE Corp	8,050,700	28 1/8	26 1/2	26 5/8	off 1 3/4
Fed Natl Mtg	7,642,100	35 1/8	32 1/8	33 7/8	off 2
McDonalds Corp	7,205,200	31	27 1/2	29 7/8	off 3/8
Bristol MS	7,111,400	62	56 1/4	61 1/4	up 3/4
Amer Express	6,714,400	27 1/2	24 3/4	27 1/2	off 1/4
Texas Utils	6,276,500	36 7/8	35 5/8	36 1/8	off 3/4

x-ex dividend.

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#90222u1792 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	8	9	33
New lows	123	109	249

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	435	33,445,500
Declines	1,038	98,513,500
Unchanged	518	13,381,000
Total	1,991	145,340,000

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#90222u1795 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 10
New lows 65

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	212	8,036,000
Declines	344	4,989,800
Unchanged	246	1,504,200
Total	802	14,530,000

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#90222u1798 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended August 10, 1990:

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Continental Air	5,126,800	6 3/4	3 1/2	6 1/2	up 1 7/8
Salomon wtJn	4,525,900	13 1/8	10 7/8	12 7/8	up 2
Denmark K wt	4,052,600	14	11 7/8	14	up 2 1/8
Amdahl Corp	3,380,100	13 3/8	10 3/4	12 7/8	up 1/2
Paine Webber wtB	2,935,800	5 1/8	4	4 7/8	up 5/8
Eksport AS	2,496,900	5 1/4	4 1/4	5 1/8	up 1
Salomon wtFb	2,202,300	14	11 3/4	14	up 2 1/4
Echo Bay Mn	2,121,000	14 1/4	13 1/4	13 3/4	up 1/8
Bankers Trs wt	2,073,500	33 1/2	26 7/8	33 1/2	up 7
Dow Chemical rt	1,826,500	9 3/8	7 3/8	7 3/4	off 1

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	186.04	183.83	184.15	off 2.09
Industrial	232.23	229.25	229.69	off 2.85
Transport	153.48	150.82	150.82	off 2.86
Utility	87.77	86.99	86.99	off 0.74
Finance	132.49	131.20	131.71	off 0.92

Equivalent to a loss of 37 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 145,340,000 shares.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - Largest net changes amoung AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended August 10, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Americus IBM ut	103	off 9 1/4
Bankers Tr wt	33 1/2	up 7
Americus AN ut	59 1/4	up 6 5/8
Americus ARC sc	32	up 5 1/8
Americus MRK ut	85	off 5
Brown Forman B	64 3/4	off 5
Superior Surgical	39 1/2	off 4 3/8
Americus HWP pr	36 1/2	off 3 1/2
Americus S ut	29 3/4	off 3 3/8
Valspar Corp	33 1/2	off 3 3/8

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#90222u1806 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Stock exchange sales for the week ended August 10.

New York Stock Exchange: Stocks - 963,579,960 shares, compared with 1,042,535,030 a week earlier and with 1,004,028,870 the year before. Warrants - 7,201,000 compared with 7,583,300 a week earlier and with 3,264,000 the year before. Bonds - $272,468,000 compared with $240,580,000 a week earlier and with $200,005,000 the year before.

American Stock Exchange: Stocks - 85,757,990 shares, compared with 80,982,455 a week earlier and with 82,709,365 the year before. Bonds - $13,379,000 compared with $11,603,000 a week earlier and with $19,251,000 the year before.

Midwest Stock Exchange: Stocks - 65,540,000 shares, compared with 63,355,000 a week earlier and with 67,585,000 the year before.

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#90222u1808 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended August 10:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	186.43	182.95	184.15	off 4.67
Industrial	232.54	228.22	229.69	off 6.09
Transportation	154.02	150.51	150.82	off 1.70

Utilities	87.91	86.69	86.99	off	2.30
Finance	132.63	129.22	131.71	off	1.70

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#90222u1813 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 10) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev said Friday he is ''increasingly alarmed'' by the Middle East crisis and appealed to Arab leaders gathered in Cairo to settle the conflict spawned by Iraqi's invasion of Kuwait.

In his first direct comment on the crisis, Gorbachev issued the appeal in a letter to Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, who was hosting an extraordinary session of the 21-nation Arab League.

''I consider it necessary to address you and my other colleagues - leaders of friendly Arab states, attending the emergency summit in Cairo - with this message because developments in the Persian Gulf are taking on an extremely dangerous and increasingly unpredictable character,'' Gorbachev said.

The Soviet Union and the United States condemned the Iraqi aggression in an unprecedented joint statement Aug. 3, a day after the invasion. However the letter by Gorbachev represented the first comments he has made on the issue. He is on his annual August vacation near the Black Sea resort city of Sochi.

''We, as well as apparently our Arab friends, are increasingly alarmed by the situation that is taking shape in the Persian Gulf,'' Gorbachev wrote to Mubarak.

''We believe that the League of Arab States, as an influential regional organization with considerable experience in settling inter-Arab differences, should begin active work to settle the conflict,'' Gorbachev said.

The Soviet Union has sent a command ship and an anti-submarine vessel to the area, but their purpose was unclear. Deputy Foreign Minister Yuri Grimitskikh said Thursday that Moscow would consider joining a multinational force only if it was set up by the U.N. Security Council.

Rear Adm. Alexander Karlin told Krasnaya Zvezda, the official newspaper of the Soviet army, that there was no planned participation of Soviet naval vessels in any blockade of Iraq.

Gorbachev said the Soviets ''are doing everything we can to ... put out the fire in the region,'' but he said a settlement among the Arab countries themselves would be the most preferable solution.

The emergency Arab League session condemned Iraq for invading Kuwait, called for its immediate withdrawal and demanded restoration of Kuwait's conquered emirate. The resolution gave the Arab League's secretariat 15 days to finalize a plan to create a pan-Arab military force on the Saudi-Kuwaiti border.

At the same time, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein urged all Moslems to wage a holy war againt the West and called on Saudis to rebel against their government for allowing U.S. forces to enter the country.

Gorbachev, deferring to the dispatch of U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia to halt any further advance by Iraq, said the Saudi government had requested the deployment.

The Soviet Communist Party newspaper Pravda, however, criticized ''the ostentation of the large-scale military preparations by the White House.''

The Arab world is more concerned about ''intervention by outside forces'' than by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait itself, Pravda said.

President Bush told reporters traveling with him to Maine that preparations were under way for an international naval blockade of Iraqi oil shipments, a more radical step than the economic and trade blockade approved earlier in the week by the U.N. Security Council.

The Soviet Union cut off all arms supplies to Iraq, its No. 1 weapons buyer, hours after the Aug. 2 invasion, but Gorbachev said ''there is nothing anti-Iraq'' in Moscow's critical response to the military action of Baghdad, a close ally for four decades.

The Soviet press continued an unrelenting campaign against the Iraqi venture.

''Baghdad's flouting of the world community's demands to withdraw its troops unconditionally from Kuwait is provoking military interference by other countries,'' Krasnaya Zvezda said.

Under the headline ''The thief of Baghdad,'' the Komsomolskaya Pravda newspaper described as a ''tragic fact'' Moscow's past bolstering of ''the most aggressive force in the (Middle East) region - the Iraqi army.''

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#90222u1822 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - The dollar weakened against most of the main currencies in the New York foreign exchange market Friday as diplomatic efforts took the Mideast crisis off the boil but left it simmering

dangerously.

Gold surged by $10 on the spot market and by more than $11 on the commodities exchange as investors sought a hedge against high political risks. Gold's spot-market price of $396.50 an ounce was the highest in five months.

Gold has appreciated since the Iraq crisis flared, said Alan Posnick, a vice president with MTB Banking Corp. Analysts and investors saw the next 48 to 72 hours as a "time zone of danger" in the Persian Gulf.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein called on Arabs to wage an Islamic holy war on Western forces deployed against him in the region, but he was set back when Arab leaders meeting in Cairo condemned his invasion of Kuwait and considered putting together a peacekeeping force.

Traders said the dollar slipped in sympathy with lower prices on the New York Stock Exchange, where many investors cashed out before the weekend. "We noticed that oil (prices) started to tick up, and the stocks started to get hit really hard," said Terri Reid, assistant vice president and corporate adviser with Harris Trust & Savings Bank in Chicago.

"I get the impression the market's just a little bit weary of all the rumors from the Middle East now," Reid added. "On a Friday, I think everybody's just ready to pack it up for the weekend."

The U.S. currency was at 1.5905 German marks, well down from 1.5955 marks late Thursday, but did considerably better against the Japanese yen, changing hands at 150.40 yen compared with 149.75 Thursday.

Currency vice president Linda McLaughlin said many players "got killed again" by a wave of technical selling of the dollar. "There was nothing said that would cause you to sell dollars at all, but the market did," she said, adding that trading moved on "paranoia, basically."

The currency market ignored the government's report that wholesale prices eased by 0.1 percent in July.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3385 Swiss francs vs. 1.3395 Thursday; 5.3350 French francs vs. 5.3525; and 1,165 Italian lire vs. 1,166. The British pound moved up to $1.8735 from $1.8680.

In Europe, the dollar closed mostly higher in quiet trading as dealers kept a cautious eye on Mideast military and diplomatic developments.

"Anything could happen over the weekend, so everyone is cautious, not wanting to run long or short, basically," said Geoff Earnshaw, National Westminster Bank's deputy head of strategic dealing in London.

The dollar rose slightly in Frankfurt, to 1.5979 German marks against 1.5930 Thursday. But it slipped in Zurich to 1.3380 Swiss francs from 1.3405.

In London, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's call for an Arab uprising against foreigners in the Gulf pushed the dollar back just before the close. The pound sterling inched higher, to $1.8715 from $1.8710.

The dollar gained in Paris, Brussels and Milan, ending at 5.3675 French francs vs. 5.3435, 32.90 Belgian francs compared with 32.74, and 1,171.15 Italian lire against 1,166.90.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar rose against the yen in quiet trading as players stuck to the sidelines, ending at 149.75 yen against 149.68.

"Nobody wants to buy or sell at this stage," said Eshin Narayama, a Fuji Bank customer dealer. "The Middle East situation came to a sort of standstill, but anything may erupt at any time."

Speculative buying on continued Gulf tensions pushed gold prices through the $390-an-ounce level. In Zurich, gold ended at $392.75 an ounce against $384. In London, gold closed at $391.25 an ounce, up from $385.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $396.50 an ounce, up $10.25 an ounce from $386.25 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $396.90 an ounce, up $11.10 from $385.80.

Silver followed gold up to close in Zurich at $4.95 an ounce against $4.85. In London silver ended at $4.95 an ounce compared with $4.87.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.985 an ounce, up 11 cents from $4.875. comex silver gained 11.2 cents to end at $4.969 an ounce against $4.857.

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CAIRO, Egypt (AUG. 10) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Friday called on ''Arabs, Moslems and believers in God'' to wage a popular uprising against Western intruders in the Middle East, but Arab leaders meeting in Cairo stiffened their opposition to his invasion of Kuwait. The 21-nation Arab League, in an emergency summit called to try to avert all-out war in the tinderbox Persian Gulf, apparently failed to pursuade Iraq to withdraw its 170,000 troops which overran Kuwait last week.

Prince Bandar bin Sultan, Saudi Arabia's ambassador to the United States, said Friday that Arab nations will be part of a multinational peace force guarding his country against attack from Iraq. Bandar, a member of the

Saudi ruling family, said the ''situation is very serious and it is tragic what happened.'' He said if ''anyone is to blame'' for the introduction of foreign troops into the Persian Gulf ''it is the government of Iraq.'' ---

President Bush, vowing that economic sanctions against Iraq will be ''tightened up even more,'' planned Friday for a multinational blockade and warned Baghdad not to ship oil through the Persian Gulf. ''I'm not prepared to use the word blockade, but I am prepared to say that we will do whatever is necessary to see that the exports from Iraq ... do not go forward,'' Bush declared.

U.S. dependence on crude oil from Iraq grew significantly in 1990 before the embargo on Iraqi imports imposed following President Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait, government figures showed Friday. Energy Department figures show U.S. imports of Iraqi crude oil for the first five months of 1990 grew 45.6 percent, or 28.3 million barrels, over a year ago to 90.45 million barrels. Iraq provided 9.85 percent of total U.S. crude-oil imports during the January-May period. In 1989, the Iraq share was 7.56 percent.

More help for the United States for the naval exercise against Iraq. Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney said he will send a token two naval destroyers and a supply ship there. West Germany is deploying five minesweepers and two supply ships to the eastern Mediterranean but it is not certain if they would eventually be deployed in the Persian Gulf. Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke said he will send three navy ships to the Persian Gulf.

There are still more than 3,500 Americans trapped in Kuwait and Iraq but some do escape, using grit, guile and a little bit of luck. Ten American diplomats and dependents, turned back in an attempt to leave Iraq, will try again Saturday to make their way out of the country, the State Department said.

The State Department warned Friday that the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait may raise the risk of terrorism against Americans. The unusual warning said there was no specific information on any attacks but the gulf crisis may create a new danger of terrorism ''directed against American interests overseas.''

Thousands of Marines were on the move Friday to ship out to Saudi Arabia. The Bush administration said about 4,000 Marines from the 7th Marine Amphibious Brigade at Twentynine Palms, Calif., were shipping out to join 2,300 Army troops already there. At the same time, the Navy was preparing to send to two large hospital ships to the Persian Gulf region, each with 1,000 beds and facilities to treat victims of poison gas.

Gasoline prices nationwide dropped slightly Friday in the first decline

since Iraqi tanks rolled into Kuwaiti oilfields while angry protesters marched on Exxon Corp. headquarters and politicians appealed to the industry to roll back on prices.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	413.22	406.27	408.03	off	4.95
Industrial	444.22	435.66	438.24	off	5.88
Finance	402.64	398.23	399.14	off	3.11
Insurance	477.69	471.47	472.99	off	4.20
Utility	564.29	553.14	554.31	off	9.81
Bank	303.04	297.70	299.19	off	2.07
Transport	447.10	442.55	445.78	off	1.03

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 468.86

1990 Low (1-30) 410.72

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	178.68	off 2.22
Industrial Index	173.12	off 2.40
NASDAQ-100 Index	412.46	off 5.79
(largest non-fin'cl)		
Average price per share	9.25	off 0.11
Volume	85,984,000	shares
Advances	579	
Declines	1,009	
Unchanged	1,237	
Total	2,825	

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(AUG. 12) UPI - DIGEST:

Basketball

The Indiana Pacers agreed to contract terms with free agent guard Michael Williams, who played last season with Phoenix, Dallas and Charlotte.

Boxing

Julio Cesar Chavez will defend his junior welterweight titles Sept. 22 against Ahn Kyung-Duk on the Mike Tyson-Alex Stewart undercard at Atlantic City, N.J. Chavez, of Culiacan, Mexico, is 70-0 with 57 knockouts and

holds the WBC and IBF 140-pound championships.

Cycling

Italian cyclist Gianni Bugno has improved his lead at the top of rankings issued by the International Professional Cycling Federation. Bugno, who won the Wincanton Classic in England, was ranked first with 1,781 points. Frenchman Charly Mottet was second with 1,015 points, followed by Italian Claudio Chiappucci with 954 points. American Greg LeMond slipped from seventh to eighth after missing the Wincanton Classic because of injury.

Football

The University of Pittsburgh began fall football camp without suspended backup quarterback Darnell Dickerson, who will learn next week if he can rejoin the team. Dickerson was suspended last May for one year for academic reasons but was conditionally readmitted to Pitt in the spring. But the decision to reinstate him to the football team remained with the school's dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. ... Detroit quarterback Art Schlichter was named Arena Football's Most Valuable Player, Pittsburgh wide receiver-defensive back Thomas Monroe won Ironman of the Year, and Dallas' Ernie Stautner was chosen Coach of the Year.

Hockey

NHL President John Ziegler and NHL union director Alan Eagleson said they have an oral commitment from a Soviet Union official to play the 29-game Friendship Tour '90 and Super Series 1990-91. They expect written confirmation by Tuesday. The Soviets had threatened to pull out over the defection of Sergei Fedorov from the Red Army team to the Detroit Red Wings.

Law

A market analyst with Golf Digest magazine Friday filed suit charging his bosses routinely passed him over for promotions and treated him with hostility because he is black. The racial discrimination complaint was filed by Frank Harris in U.S. District Court in Manhattan and seeks damages of more than $1 million.

Little League

The father and mother of Houston Astros pitcher Mike Scott were named Little League Baseball Parents of the Year. Little League President Dr. Creighton Hale said the award recognizes Warren and Kathy Scott's work with the National Wiseburn Little League in Hawthorne, Calif.

Miscellaneous

The Senior Olympics will be held in Baton Rouge, La. in 1993, the National Senior Sports Organization announced at a three-day symposium on senior athletics at Liverpool, N.Y. The Olympic-style competition will attract about 4,000 participants age 55 and older to the city.

Soccer

Franz Beckenbauer, who coached West Germany to the World Cup title in Italy last month, will help organize the 1994 World Cup in the United States, a West German sports magazine claimed. Beckenbauer told the magazine, Kicker, he will also ''look after'' the U.S. team. ... Joe Mercer, one of English soccer's most admired and respected elder statesmen died Thursday on his 76th birthday. Mercer won every honor in the game during a career as a player, manager and director which spanned almost 50 years.

Track

A British track official said sprinter Linford Christie vowed to avoid an unofficial rematch of the 1984 Olympics 100 meters dash involving Ben Johnson. Carl Lewis reportedly is ready to meet Johnson, who was stripped of his Olympic gold medal in Seoul two years ago, after he was found guilty of using steroids. Christie, who moved up from bronze to silver medalist following Johnson's disqualification, would be a major attraction in a rerun of the sprint. But British track spokesman Tony Ward said, ''I have spoken to Linford on this and while we would welcome the chance to race Ben Johnson in a sanctioned international or grand prix event, we would not take part in any race which meant he could forfeit his career.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Friday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	112,033,100
Advances	722
Declines	1,248
Unchanged	2,306
Total	4,276

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(AUG. 10) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week

By United Press International

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Week Ended	Highs	Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Aug 10, 1990	32	307	234	614	162	1010
Aug 3, 1990	48	216	232	633	148	1013
Aug 11, 1989	103	37	408	400	194	1002

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#90222u1884 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 10) UPI - Jury selection began Friday in the retrial of actor Todd Bridges, charged with assault with a deadly weapon for allegedly shooting a drug dealer eight times inside a cocaine ''rock'' house.

Jurors at his first trial deadlocked 8-4 in favor of acquitting Bridges, forcing a mistrial last November.

The same jury acquitted Bridges, 24, the star of such television sitcoms as ''Diff'rent Strokes'' and ''Fish,'' of more serious charges of attempted murder and attempted voluntary manslaughter.

The retrial on the assault charge is expected to last several weeks. If convicted, Bridges could be sentenced to up to four years in state prison.

The charge stems from the shooting of convicted Texas drug dealer Kenneth ''Tex'' Clay. Bridges allegedly shot Clay eight times on Feb. 2, 1989 inside a South-Central Los Angeles ''rock'' house, where rock cocaine is sold. The actor said he had consumed large quantities of the drug at the house.

At his first trial, Bridges testified he was so impaired after a four-day cocaine binge that he does not remember shooting Clay, who survived the attack.

Bridges said that after ''Diff'rent Strokes'' went off the air in 1986, his life hit a downward spiral during which he couldn't find work, lost $1.5 million to embezzlers, became suicidal and eventually started ''freebasing'' cocaine every day.

Harvey Duckett, a man who accompanied Bridges to the rock house the day he allegedly shot Clay, previously pleaded no contest to being an accomplice and testified against Bridges at the first trial.

In the aftermath of the first trial, Bridges swore off drugs and said he wanted to become an anti-drug crusader.

In May, however, he and another man, Stephen Mallen, were arrested after police said they spotted the pair sitting in the actor's car in North Hollywood and found 48 grams of cocaine inside.

The District Attorney's Office, however, declined to file charges against Bridges, saying there was insufficient evidence to prove he was in possession of the drugs. Mallen was charged with possessing the cocaine.

Bridges is free on $25,000 bail in the assault case.

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#90222u1901 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 470.83, off 1.04 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90222u1904 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - A market analyst with Golf Digest magazine Friday filed a lawsuit charging his bosses routinely passed him over for promotions and treated him with hostility because he is black.

The racial discrimination complaint, filed by Frank Harris in U.S. District Court in Manhattan, seeks damages of more than $1 million. It names as defendants Golf Digest and the magazine's parent company, The New York Times Company.

Harris, 33, of West Haven, Conn., said he joined the magazine in 1983 at their Trumble, Conn., offices, and became marketing manager for the company's trade magazine a year later.

His claims his first hint of trouble came in Christmas of 1984, when he objected and returned a company gift of South African Krugerrands.

''I told the company that I could not accept their gift in good conscience in view of the fact that so many people were dying under the apartheid system of government which that country represents,'' he said.

Two years later, Harris said he questioned the company's position on the first national observance of Martin Luther King's birthday, and shortly afterwards, was demoted and given the option of leaving the company with severance pay or going to work in the publication's Manhattan offices, a four-hour round-trip commute from his home.

Harris said he was the company's only worker given such an ultimatum, and that over the next five years his employers routinely promoted less experienced and less qualified workers over him, and made other attempts to get him to quit the company.

Harris's attorney, Daniel Alterman, said such complaints first were made in an Equal Employment Opportunity suit filed in February, but that neither Golf Digest nor the Times Company have responded to the charges.

Officials from Golf Digest or the Times Company were not immediately available for comment Friday.

Alterman, who won a $3.1 million discrimination suit on behalf of four black reporters and editors against the New York Daily News in 1987, said that a former manager at the magazine has sworn that management's decisions were ''based primarily on a desire to perpetuate the image of managers as being young, upper middle-class white(s).''

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#90222u1911 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.77	10.48
Anchor Fund Inv	15.46	16.40
Delaware Mutual	17.31	18.56
Fidelity Fund	17.20	17.20
Investors Mutual	11.18	11.76
Investors Stocks	18.60	19.58
Invest Select	8.29	8.73
IDS Equity Plus	9.34	9.84
Mass Inv Growth	9.01	9.71
Nicholas Fund	3.37	3.37
United Accumulated	6.57	7.18
United Income	17.88	19.54
Vanguard Wellington	16.59	16.59

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#90222u1954 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (AUG. 10) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Friday issued a fiery call for a ''holy war'' against Western intruders in the Middle East, but other Arab leaders stiffened their opposition to his invasion of Kuwait and said they would send a peacekeeping force to Saudi Arabia.

The 21-nation Arab League voted at an emergency summit in Cairo to demand Iraq withdraw from Kuwait, to adopt economic sanctions against Baghdad and to station a multinational Arab military force on the tense border between occupied Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.

The vote, which demonstrated the split between moderate Arab nations and radicals backing Saddam, came after Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak

failed to engineer an Arab peace formula acceptable to both Iraq and the West.

A senior State Department official said the U.S. government welcomed the decision and said ''it shows world solidarity against Iraqi aggression.''

The United States and other Western nations continued beefing up their military presence in the tinder-box Gulf region and appeared to be preparing for a blockade of Iraq.

The Arab League after a a four-hour closed-door session said it would complete its plans to create a pan-Arab peacekeeping force within 15 days.

It was not immediately clear which nations would participate, but almost certain to lead the way was Egypt, which introduced the idea of an Arab force rather than join the U.S. military contingents already deployed in Saudi Arabia.

Voting in favor of the declaration were Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Syria Lebanon, Qatar, Bahrain, Morocco, Somalia, Djibouti and the United Arab Emirates.

Iraq, Libya and the Palestine Liberation Organization opposed the motion, Algeria and Yemen abstained, and Jordan, Sudan and Mauritania expressed reservations. Tunisia did not attend the meeting.

Initially, Egypt had proposed the Arab force to be a buffer on the Saudi-Kuwaiti border and to oversee a negotiated withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

However, analysts said Iraq's determination to keep its troops in Kuwait would mean the force's main duty would be to protect Saudi Arabia and the Gulf states from invasion.

''The logistics are unclear and it seems a rushed solution,'' said one analyst. ''Its full of holes. I can't really see Saudi Arabia or any Gulf state allowing something like the Libyan or Syrian army into their territory.''

Saddam, who sent two advisers to the summit to reiterate his refusal to withdraw from Kuwait, called for the Saudi people to rise up against the rule of King Fahd because he had allowed U.S. troops to depoly on Saudi Soil.

''We call for a holy war,'' Saddam in a statement read by a spokesman on Iraqi television as the summit was taking place.

''Arabs and Moslems and believers in God, wherever you are. It is your day

to rise up to defend Mecca, now the captive of the spears of the Americans and the Zionists,'' he said, referring to the U.S. military presence in Saudi Arabia, which contains the Moslem holy place at Mecca.

As was expected, the Arab League declared support for the U.N.-sanctioned embargo against Iraq, meaning Arab trade sanctions should commence.

It also supported ''the measures'' taken by Saudi Arabia and other Persian Gulf states to defend themselves, an apparent endorsement of Riyadh's decision to allow U.S. ground, air and naval forces to assist in its defense.

Kuwait's toppled emir, Shiekh Jaber al Ahman al Sabah, attended the summit's opening, but a near four-hour delay before the closed-door session began indicated Iraq was keeping up a threat to withdraw if the ousted ruler participated. The emir left and flew out of Cairo, apparently back to Saudi Arabia.

There was no reaction from the Arab League to the fiery call by Saddam, who also incited Arabs and Moslems to a block the Suez Canal against foreign intervention.

''It is your day to rise quickly to defend the prophet Mohammed, who carried the blessed message to this blessed land so it would remain holy '' the Iraqi leader said in his statement.

Saddam called on Egypt to deny foreign access to its air space and the Suez Canal so that ''history does not write about you what is not worthy of Egypt.''

The Iraqi strongman played to rising anti-American sentiments, especially in Jordan, urging Arabs to unite against foreign involvement in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Despite U.S. contentions the American forces were in Saudi Arabia and the gulf for ''wholly defensive'' purposes, Saddam hinted the U.S. troops were ready to strike Iraq.

''Burn the soil under the feet of the aggressors and invaders who want harm for your familes in Iraq,'' he said. ''Hit their interests, wherever they are, and rescue holy Mecca and rescue the grave of the prophet.''

In his opening speech at the Arab League summit, Mubarak spoke of Gulf states' fears for their security because of Iraq's invasion and reassured them the Arab League was ''standing with them firmly.''

''There is no solution to the crisis and no coming out of the dispute except with the retreat and the withdrawal of the Iraqi troops from Kuwait

'' Mubarak said.

Deteriorating conditions in Kuwait were reported by a Western diplomat in Cairo who said his embassy in the occupied emirate reported Iraqi troops frequently opened fire at protesters calling for the return of the emir.

The diplomat also said mass absenteeism had brought the economy to a halt and food shortages had fueled a thriving black market with some profiteers selling bread by the slice.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said there are no plans for the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait to move to Iraq or to close down since the U.S. does not recognize the annexation of that country. Nor, he said, will the other embassies leave Kuwaiti City.

As for the continuing U.S. buildup in the Gulf, he told reporters ''We're prepared for a long stay if that's necessary.''

In other developments Friday:

- The 12-nation European Community defied Iraq by rejecting orders to close foreign missions in Kuwait by Aug. 24, saying the closures might jeopardize the safety of 5,000 Europeans living in Iraq and Kuwait.

- President Bush, vowing that economic sanctions against Iraq will be ''tightened up even more,'' prepared plans for a multinational blockade and warned Baghdad not to ship oil through the Persian Gulf.

- Britain, Canada, Australia and France announced it would reinforce their gulf naval presence. West Germany said it will deploying five minesweepers and two supply ships to the eastern Mediterranean.

- Turkey said it may intervene if Iraq attacks Saudi Arabia, but said it is not planning to assume a military role in the crisis.

- Pro-Iraqi demonstrators in Jordan burned American, Israeli and British flags in an outburst of demonstrations that indicated Saddam had partially succeeded in his call for Arabs to unite against foreign powers.

- A PLO official said more than 50,000 Palestinians are in Kuwait and Iraq armed and ready to fight should American forces strike across the border from Saudi Arabia.

- American diplomats and dependents were turned back again at the sealed Iraqi border to Jordan will try again Saturday to make their way out of the country, the State Department said.

- Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, in his first direct comment on the

nine-day crisis, appealed to Arab leaders to settle the conflict spawned by Iraqi's invasion of Kuwait.

- Polish military planes will evacuate about 4,900 Poles from Iraq and Kuwait.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - Led by an increase in the price of wholesale gasoline of more than 3 cents a gallon, oil prices surged Friday after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein called on all Arabs to unite in a ''holy war'' against foreign intervention in the Persian Gulf.

U.S. retail gasoline prices at the pump, however, dropped slightly for the first time since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait as some oil companies froze prices in response to this week's plea from President Bush.

Angry demonstrators nevertheless marched on Exxon Corp.'s corporate headquarters in New York to protest the 18-cent, industry-wide rise in the week following the invasion.

Wholesale futures-contracts prices on the New York Mercantile Exchange rose sharply as traders watched a spokesman for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in a televised address call on Arabs to unite in a holy war against foreign intervention in the Persian Gulf.

Saddam's call came as U.S. troops were flying into Saudi Arabia to protect the world's largest oil exporter from invasion by Iraqi forces in occupied Kuwait and as Arab leaders were meeting in a Cairo summit to try to find a peaceful settlement of the crisis.

Demonstrators burned American, Israeli and British flags in Amman, Jordan, in support of the Iraqi strongman.

''The market was resting for the last day, and a half and it got some news today. Saddam's trying to make a holy war. That and lack of any progress toward a peaceful settlement took the market higher,'' said Michael McDermott of Paine Webber Inc. in New York.

Traders were scrambling to get out of short positions, previously taken in anticipation of prices going lower, because of fears there might be some outbreak over the weekend, said Kirk Kinnear of Salomon Brothers' Greenwich, Conn.-based Phibro division.

''There might be a war, and no one wants to be short,'' Kinnear said.

On the Merc, unleaded gasoline for September delivery shot up 3.03 cents

on the day to 79.45 cents a gallon, while home heating oil gained 2.84 cents to 72.61 cents a gallon.

Unleaded gained 7.27 cents on the week despite a 6.18-cent decline Wednesday,when oil prices plunged after reports that Saudi Arabia would raise its daily oil output 2 million barrels.

The Saudi move was made as part of an effort to help offset the loss of 4.6 million to 5 million barrels from the United Nations embargo of Iraqi and Kuwati oil invoked in the wake of the invasion.

President Bush told reporters during a flight to his Kennebunkport, Maine, vacation retreat: ''The sanctions are starting to bite.''

Because of the apparent effectiveness of the embargo, a White House spokesman said a naval blockade was ''not necessary now,'' although preparations for a multinational effort continued.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude ended the day on the Merc at $26.23 a barrel, 56 cents higher than Thursday's close. The crude ended the week up $1.77 a barrel even though it lost $2.35 a barrel Wednesday.

On the European cash markets, Dubai light, the key Mideast crude produced by the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and shipped mainly to the Far East, was up 65 cents to $22.45 a barrel, $1.85 higher than last Friday despite Wednesday's $3.95-a-barrel plunge.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent crude was up 70 cents to $25.45 a barrel, a gain of $2.05 on the week after losing $3.65 a barrel Wednesday.

The world embargo on exports from Iraq and Kuwait may be tightening world gasoline markets before affecting crude markets, McDermott said.

Kuwait alone has a huge refinery with a capacity of about 500,000 barrels a day, he said.

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#90222u1965 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - The United States is sending 48 F-16 fighter jets and about 2,300 troops from the 24th Infantry Division with artillery armored vehicles and attack helicopters to Saudi Arabia, Pentagon officials said Friday.

In addition, the Pentagon said the Navy is sending to the Persian Gulf region its two large hospital ships - the USNS Mercy from Oakland, Calif., and the USNS Comfort from Baltimore - each with 1,000 beds and facilities to treat victims of poison gas.

Meanwhile, Bush administration sources said about 4,000 Marines from the 7th Marine Amphibious Brigade at Twentynine Palms, Calif., were beginning preparations to ship out to Saudi Arabia.

U.S. forces currently in Saudi Arabia include about 2,300 U.S. troops of the 82nd Airborne Division from Fort Bragg, N.C., 48 Air Force F-15 Eagle fighter jets from Langley Air Force Base, Va., and five AWACS early-warning radar planes.

The Pentagon announced late Friday that Air Force F-16 ''Fighting Falcon'' fighters from Shaw Air Force Base, S.C., and C-130 transport aircraft from Pope Air Force Base, N.C., had begun to arrive in Saudi Arabia.

Defense sources said there were two squadrons of F-16s, a total of 48 jets.

''Elements of the 24th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Stewart, Ga., are moving by road today to the port of Savannah, where they will begin loading aboard the U.S. Navy fast-sealift ship, USNS Capella, for deployment to Saudi Arabia,'' the Pentagon said in a statement.

Defense sources said a brigade - about 2,300 troops - were being sent along with artillery, armored vehicles and and tank-killing attack helicopters.

When these F-16s and infantrymen arrive, the United States will have nearly 100 fighter jets on the ground in Saudi Arabia - along with another 160 fighter and attack jets on two nearby aircraft carriers - and a total of about 5,000 ground troops, not counting the 4,000 Marines preparing to go.

President Bush ordered U.S. forces to go to Saudi Arabia Monday night to help deter a possible Iraqi attack, and troops and warplanes began leaving for the oil kingdom Tuesday morning.

The Pentagon officially has refused to disclose the number of U.S. troops on the ground in Saudi Arabia or to confirm the movement of specific units until the forces are in place or well on the way.

Defense officials who asked not to be identified have said that the size of U.S. forces being sent to Saudi Arabia for ''Operation Desert Shield'' could reach 50,000 ground troops within a few weeks.

Others expected to be sent include members of the Army's 101 Airborne Division from Fort Campbell, Ky., and the 1st Marine Amphibious Brigade based on Okinawa.

Combat-ready units from Fort Bliss, Texas, trained in desert warfare, may

be deployed to the Middle East, spokeswomen for the Army base said Friday.

Spouses and family members of soldiers in the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment and the 11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade were briefed late Thursday about the possible departures of their spouses at a moment's notice.

Sources at Fort Bliss said five batteries of the 11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade had already received orders to depart from Fort Bliss. The units include batteries trained in the Hawk, Patriot and Stinger missile systems.

At Camp Pendleton, Calif., Marine officials declined comment on troop movements. But the California Highway Patrol said that large numbers of trucks entering the base backed up morning commuters on I-5 in northern San Diego County.

As the Marines prepared to ship out, an American living in the Saudi capital of Riyadh said by telephone that despite the buildup of U.S. forces, there was no outward sign of the increased American presence, at least in the city.

''It is not visible at all,'' the American, a retired U.S. military officer, said. ''The average person would be unaware.''

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#90222u1968 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - Former President Ronald Reagan says he was ''shocked by the uproar'' over his trip to Japan last year and the $2 million lecture fee he was paid.

In an interview in this weekend's Parade Magazine, Reagan also said he would have liked to run for a third term, which was barred by the 22nd Amendment to the Constitution.

Reagan called the amendment - pushed by the Republicans after Franklin Roosevelt was elected four times - an ''infringement on the democratic right of the people ... to vote for whomever they want and for as many times as they want.''

Reagan told the magazine, ''I was shocked by the uproar over my trip to Japan. The critics didn't wait to find out that things are a little different with that country. I didn't have a fee; it was their offer. But I have to say this: Yes, it sounds a little out of line, even to me, that that much money was offered.''

But Reagan said he ''wasn't cashing in on the presidency,'' and that if he had returned to making movies, he would have commanded some ''healthy

fees.''

The 79-year-old Reagan also said he has gained weight in retirement and built up his chest to 45 inches under his daily exercise routine.

Reagan also said that one of the things he missed the most in the White House was going to church, but the Secret Service told him the danger ''wouldn't just be another assassination attempt against me, but I could be responsible for a lot of deaths from a terrorist bomb.

''I just ... gave up going to church. But now I'm going to church again.''

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(AUG. 10) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Suspended				
Lumex Inc				
Mayflower Co-operative Bank				
Reverse Stock Split				
CenCor Inc - 1-for-5				
Increased				
Deluxe Corp	Q	.29	9-4	8-20
Reduced				
Hi-Shear Industries	Q	.05 1/2	8-30	8-24
Usual				
Eastman Kodak Co	Q	.50	10-1	9-4
NFS Financial Corp	..	.07	9-5	8-20
Russ Berrie & Co	Q	.10	9-11	8-24
State Mutual Secur Tr	Q	.26	9-28	8-31
Wellman Inc	Q	.03	9-17	9-3

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AUG. 10) UPI - New Jersey gaming enforcement officials Friday gave a lukewarm endorsement to a restructuring plan submitted by Resorts International Inc., but expressed doubts that the bankrupt casino could make the plan work.

''We have no objections to the plan, but we're cautious about the company's ability to meet its debt payments,'' said Anthony J. Parrillo, director of the state Division of Gaming Enforcement.

The DGE Friday submitted its 130-page recommendation to the state Casino Control Commission, which must decide whether the casino hotel owned by entertainer Merv Griffin can become financially stable. That decision was expected to made next Friday.

Resorts, which has been under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection since December, is currently awaiting the decision of a federal bankruptcy judge in Camden on the restructuring plan. Judge Rosemary Gambardella was expected to rule on the plan Thursday.

Resorts' bondholders have agreed to a plan that would reduce the company's debt by more than half, from $931 million to $434 million. But the DGE report noted that the key to Resorts' future really hinged on the sale of its casino hotel in the Bahamas. Resorts hopes to get as much as $300 million for its Paradise Island property.

Parrillo said proceeds from the sale of the Bahamas property together with the money Resorts receives in rent from the Showboat casino hotel, which sits on property owned by Resorts, could conceivably pay off the company's entire debt.

The plan also calls for Resorts to sell off millions of dollars in real estate and other assets, sink millions more into upgrading its Atlantic City casino hotel and to revamp its marketing strategy.

Among the assets Resorts has sold or plans to sell are:

- Two helicopters and two airplanes. Resorts sold the aircraft earlier this year for $3 million.

- Chalks International Airline. Resorts said a buyer has agreed to pay $7 million for the airline, which has been losing $1.3 million a year.

- Steeplechase Pier. Severely damaged in a December 1988 fire, Resorts hopes to rebuild the 90,000 square foot ocean pier across from its casino and sell it.

In all, Resorts planned to sell $5 million in assets this year, $10 million next year and $20 million in 1993.

Resorts also has agreed to a series of cost-cutting measures and direct its marketing efforts to low- and middle-class gamblers.

High rollers will no longer be flown in on private jets. The number of managers and casino hosts will be slashed. Resorts is already offering a low-cost buffet dinner to attract low rollers who do not qualify for free drinks and meals at other casinos.

Resorts also will shy away from headline entertainers and feature more revue shows, which the DGE calls ''less extravagant and aimed at the low- to mid-level market.''

Resorts also plans to spend $35 million this year to refurbish the casino hotel. More than $4 million of that is targeted for new slot machines.

The company also hopes to capitalize on Griffin's celebrity status to draw patrons to the casino. Griffin has agreed to sink $26 million of his own money into the casino as part of the restructuring plan.

But the DGE report questions Resorts' ability to carry out its ambitious plan. The report notes that the new measures have so far failed to keep the casino's share of the gambling market from slipping. Resorts' market share dropped from 14.3 percent in 1983 to 8.1 percent in 1989. Through the first five months of this year, it had shrunk to 6.8 percent.

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#90222u2034 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - Iraq will suffer a 40 percent reduction in imports of four key components of food production - wheat, feed grains, rice and soybean meal - under international trade sanctions, the government forecast Friday.

In a pair of reports, the Agriculture Department estimated Iraq was likely to acquire 3.15 million metric tons of wheat, feed grains, rice and soybean meal during the 1990-1991 marketing year. Last month, it was estimated Iraq would buy 5.13 million tons of the goods from suppliers around the world.

''The recent announcement of trade sanctions against Iraq by most of the world's major wheat exporters could result in a sharp decline in shipments to this country which regularly accounts for about 3 percent of the world's wheat trade,'' the department said in a grain ''outlook'' report.

Iraq had been a major customer for U.S. agricultural exports, but the agricultural attache in Baghdad reported last month Iraq was turning to other suppliers because of a U.S. decision to withhold access to export credit guarantees.

In the past 12 months, Iraq bought nearly 2.5 million tons of U.S. wheat, corn, barley and rice.

According to the attache, Iraq was expected to grow 800,000 tons of wheat this year, 1 million tons of barley, 110,000 tons of corn and 260,000 tons of rice. In June, Iraq, which grows only a quarter of the rice it consumes raised its rice procurement price by 60 percent in a step to encourage domestic production.

Iraq was forecast to acquire 1.5 million tons of wheat, down 1.4 million tons from the department's July estimate; 850,000 tons of feed grains, down 350,000 tons; 500,000 tons of rice, down 80,000 tons; and 300,000 tons of soybean meal, down 150,000 tons.

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#90222u2074 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) UPI - Here is a synopsis of the 14 counts against Washington Mayor Marion Barry and evidence presented pertaining to the charges, as well as the jury verdicts:

-Count 1 (no verdict), conspiracy to possess cocaine from the fall of 1984 until Jan. 18, 1990. This charge gave the government wide latitude to explore Barry's drug use and personal life.

Ten witnesses testified to using drugs with or supplying drugs to Barry in 20 homes, 15 hotels, four boats and two city government offices. Defense attorney R. Kenneth Mundy said while drugs may have been used by the principal witnesses, no one ever showed Barry headed a conspiracy, adding many of the witnesses involved in the alleged conspiracy did not even know each other.

-Count 2 (no verdict), possession of cocaine in or about November 1987. Restaurateur Hassan Mohammadi said he brought two grams of cocaine to Barry's District Building office Nov. 25, 1987, the day before he, Barry and others went to the Bahamas, where they allegedly used the drugs. Theresa Southerland testified she was one of Barry's lovers and used cocaine with him on the trip.

-Count 3 (acquitted), possession of cocaine on or about Sept. 7, 1988. One of the most contested charges. Drug dealer Lydia Pearson said she handed Barry three bags of crack and a city government employment application at a city office. Mundy contended Barry was not even at the office building on the morning alleged.

-Count 4 (no verdict), possession of cocaine on or about Dec. 16, 1988. The first of seven charges tied to felon Charles Lewis. Lewis testified he and Barry smoked crack cocaine in his Ramada Inn hotel room.

-Count 5 (no verdict), possession of cocaine on or about Dec. 17, 1988.

Lewis said Barry returned to his hotel room, smuggling crack into the room in the cuff of his pants.

-Count 6 (no verdict), possession of cocaine on or about Dec. 19, 1988. Lewis said he and Barry used crack after one of Barry's chauffeurs delivered money to his hotel room. James McWilliams, a city official, said that he saw crack in Lewis's hotel room when Barry was present, saw drugs and paraphernalia in the bathroom as Barry was slumped fully clothed on a toilet, but never saw Barry use the drugs.

-Count 7 (no verdict), possession of cocaine on or about Dec. 22, 1988. Lewis said Barry shared crack with him for a fourth time at the Ramada. On the same day, police began an investigation of Lewis after a hotel maid complained he offered her cocaine for sex.

-Count 8 (no verdict), perjury. In testifying before a federal grand jury Jan. 19, 1989, Barry denied knowledge of Lewis's involvement with drugs. Lewis said he and Barry smoked crack several times; McWilliams said he saw crack in Lewis's Ramada Inn hotel room when Barry was present; and two witnesses from the Virgin Islands said they smoked marijuana with Lewis and Barry on a 1986 boat trip. In Barry's defense, two witnesses said they did not see marijuana use on the boat trip and Mundy probed Lewis and McWilliams for inconsistencies in their testimony.

-Count 9 (no verdict), perjury. Barry denied ever supplying drugs to Lewis. Lewis said Barry gave him money for cocaine in the Virgin Islands, that he brought him crack three times while he was at the Ramada in December 1988, and that a chauffeur of Barry's once brought him money for cocaine.

-Count 10 (no verdict), perjury. Barry denied receiving cocaine from Lewis or receiving cocaine from anyone at the Ramada. Lewis said he supplied Barry with cocaine in the Virgin Islands and he bought crack he shared with Barry at the Ramada.

-Count 11 (no verdict), possession of cocaine on or about Aug. 26, 1989. Darrell Sabbs, a longtime friend of Barry's, said he used cocaine with Barry during a visit in 1989. Sabbs said he was ''confused'' about dates but that he remembered using cocaine with Barry in the Ramada Rennaissance hotel when in town for a high school reunion.

-Count 12 (convicted), possession of cocaine between on or about Nov. 7 and Nov. 10, 1989. Doris Crenshaw, who worked with Barry during the civil rights movement, said she was in Washington in the fall of 1989, but was not sure of the date she used cocaine with Barry at the Mayflower Hotel. Prosecuting attorney Judith Retchin told the jury to ''put the pieces together.''

-Count 13 (no verdict), possession of cocaine on or about Jan. 1, 1990. Bettye Smith said Barry came to her Capitol Hill home sometime between Jan. 1 and Jan. 18 and accepted cocaine from her. Under cross-examination, Smith said it could have been as early as Christmas and that she did not see Barry use the cocaine.

-Count 14, possession of cocaine on Jan. 18, 1990. Barry was videotaped taking two long hits off a crack pipe as former lover Rasheeda Moore paced the floor in the Vista International Hotel room and watched. It is the only possession count for which the government has concrete evidence: the crack he smoked, the pipe he smoked from and drug tests following the sting.

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SEATTLE (AUG. 10) UPI - The Boeing Co. Friday announced details of an employee drug-abuse policy that will emphasize rehabilitation and education programs.

Company spokesman Lee Lathrop said Boeing will not implement random drug testing for most of the company's employees, although he said it was considered as an option as the aerospace company's leaders formulated a drug-abuse policy over the past year.

Details of the substance abuse program are still being worked out with the between the company and its various unions, spokesmen said.

However, Lathrop said U.S. Department of Transporation regulations require the company to begin mandatory drug testing for certain job classifications by Dec. 11.

Those jobs include about 3,100 workers in flight operations, mechanics who work on airplanes already delivered to customers, and company drivers traveling on public roads and highways.

Those workers are only a small fraction of the approximately 150,000 employees affected by the new program, Lathrop said. About 10,000 Boeing employees, notably 8,000 in Canada, are not affected by the program because of foreign laws.

Lathrop said the company will reserve the right to test any employee suspected of being under the influence of drugs or alcohol while on the job.

He said employees who voluntarily disclose a drug or alcohol problem or who test positive for drugs will be referred to a program where they can receive counseling, rehabilitation and follow-up care.

Those who voluntarily enter a rehabilitation program but fail a follow-up drug test will be given a second chance for rehabilitation. Those failing further tests may be fired, the company said.

In the earlier stages of designing an abuse-prevention program the company had considered automatic dismissal for employees discovered to have been using drugs on the job.

Boeing said employees caught buying or selling drugs on company property or while on company business will be fired.

The company also said it will continue pre-employment drug screening, which in the past three years has resulted in positive tests on about 5 percent of applicants tested.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 10) UPI - Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu said Friday he may nominate both President Frederik de Klerk and black leader Nelson Mandela for the Nobel Peace Prize.

Mandela and De Klerk ''are doing so well that if they keep things up the way they are going, the chances are very good that I would nominate them for the next prize,'' said Tutu, who won the prize in 1984 for his fight against apartheid.

''I believe that (they) will deserve the prize when we get to the point of saying that progress toward a non-racial, democratic form of government is irreversible,'' he said in a statement.

Tutu, as a Nobel laureate himself, has the right to nominate candidates for the prize.

His statement came three days after de Klerk and Mandela agreed to a milestone peace pact between the African National Congress and the government.

The ANC agreed to abandon its 29-year-old armed struggle against white rule in exchange for promises of an extension of the sweeping racial reforms De Klerk launched February.

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#90222u2157 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 10) UPI - Wayne Grady, who came within a shot of winning last year's British Open, posted the low round of the tournament

Friday to seize a one-shot lead over Larry Mize and Fred Couples late on the second day of the 72nd PGA Championship.

Grady fired a 5-under 67 over the difficult Shoal Creek Golf Club course, which extracted a high toll from some of the game's giants.

Seve Ballesteros, for instance, shot the highest score he has ever produced in a major championship - an 83 that sent him packing back to Spain.

Nick Faldo struggled to a 75 in his bid to win his third major title of the year and Greg Norman rallied to a 69 Friday that left him seven shots off the pace.

The thick rough and hard greens, meanwhile, proved to be little problem for Grady, who made only one bogey all day to finish his first 36 holes at 5-under 139.

Couples and Mize were at 140 - Mize having birdied three of the last four holes to shoot a 68 - while Tim Simpson was at 4-under with six holes to play.

Billy Mayfair was alone at 3-under after a 71 Friday. Chip Beck was also at 3-under with five holes remaining in his second round. Fuzzy Zoeller, Payne Stewart, Stan Utley and first-round leader Bobby Wadkins were all at 1-under 143.

Wadkins, who opened with a 68, struggled all day Friday and saw his round symbolized when his driver snapped on his backswing at the 17th tee. He shot a 75.

''It's the hardest damn golf course I've ever played,'' said Zoeller after his 1-under 71. ''I don't enjoy golf like this. I think the PGA missed the boat when they set up this golf course.''

Shoal Creek's designer, Jack Nicklaus, also found the going too tough and appeared certain to miss the cut late in his round. Arnold Palmer, with two holes to play, was 9-over for the day - all of those lost shots coming on the back nine.

Faldo and Norman were both at 2-over 146 after their very different rounds. Faldo made only one birdie all day while Norman's round of 69 was highlighted by an eagle at the par-5 third.

Grady began the day at even par, but played the front nine in 4-under 32. He reached the par-5 17th in two and his birdie there gave him the lead. It took a six-foot, par-saving putt at the final hole, however, to keep him there.

''I played well in the practice rounds and I played good yesterday,'' said Grady, who tied Norman and Mark Calcavecchia at last year's British Open before Calcavecchia won in a playoff. ''I think the British Open experience was a plus.

''I felt I held together over the last 36 holes in that tournament and I think I learned that you will hold together in those kinds of situations if you are playing well.''

Mize's only major title to date came at the 1987 Masters when he defeated Ballesteros and Norman in sudden death. After Ballesteros dropped out of the playoff with a bogey, Mize holed a 100-foot pitch shot on the par-4 11th - the second hole of sudden death - to eliminate Norman.

Mize birdied three straight holes beginning with the 15th Friday and then saved par after driving into the long rough at the 18th.

''You can play real well on this course and shoot a 68,'' Mize said, ''and you can play just all right and shoot a 75. Patience is always a key in a tournament, it's more important in a major and it's even more important when the conditions are as tough as they are here.

''Patience was a big part of my game today. Yesterday I could have almost bitten the ball in two because I birdied two of the first three holes and was 2-over after 10.''

Couples shot a 71 despite losing three strokes to par with a bogey at the 11th and double bogey at the 12th.

''I'm having a lot of fun playing this course,'' Couples said. ''A lot of people don't care for the rough on this course, but the rough isn't going anywhere. The best thing to do is stay out of it.

''If the thing to do is hit a 2-iron or 3-iron to keep it in play, that's what I will do.''

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#90222u2203 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Iraq is appealing to Arab nations to unite in a holy war against Americans and those who support Israel. An Iraqi spokesman today urged Arabs to stand ''with Iraq in one line.''

Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney announced today Canada will send two naval destroyers and a supply ship to the Persian Gulf. Mulroney says Canada has a duty to help end Iraqi aggression.

The State Department is warning Americans that the danger of terrorism has been raised by the U-S confrontation with Iraq. The UNusual warning said U-S diplomatic posts overseas are taking ''security precautions.''

A federal judge in St. Louis today fined Chrysler more than seven-Million dollars for selling as new about 30 previously wrecked vehicles. The automaker also was charged with disconnecting odometers on about 60-thousand used vehicles.

Firefighters are battling about one-thousand blazes in California while others rage in Utah, Idaho and Oregon. Twin fires threatening California's Yosemite National Park forced its closure until at least tomorrow.

Attorneys who claim hidden rock music messages drove two youths to suicide said today the band Judas Priest and C-B-S Records should pay six-Million dollars for recording the messages. In a civil trial in Reno, Nevada, the band denies it put the messages on its record.

Someone is hijacking the airwaves of a radio station in Lansing, Michigan. Station officials suspect the man may be using a ham radio with a tower to illegally broadcast one-minute messages such as the Dairy Queen jingle.

Ousted government officials in Pakistan have named a panel of legal experts to advise them on whether to seek a Supreme Court review of their dismissal. The president fire the Bhutto government on Monday on charges of corruption and nepotimism.

A Circuit Court Judge is under an Illinois Supreme Court order to name lawyers to serve as guardians to three children involved in a bitter bone marrow transplant dispute. The move will give the youngsters a chance to voice their views in the case.

Funeral services will be held at Savannah, Georgia, tomorrow for Private First Class William Underwood, who was killed in combat in France during World War Two. His remains were NOT found until last year were recently verified.

Philippine military authorities say at least eight poeple were killed in incidents related to the communist insurgency during the past five days in the northern and central part of the country.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Campeau Corp. announced late Friday that the board of directors has not reappointed Robert Campeau as chairman and chief executive officer of the embattled real estate development and retailing company.

No reason for why Campeau was relieved of his duties was disclosed.

In a terse release, the company said the board established an office of the chief executive and appointed director Robert Despres to serve as chairman on an interim basis. James D. Raymond and Gary M. Goodman will jointly occupy the office of chief executive, also on an interim basis, the company said.

The Campeau board has also begun a search to find a permanent chairman and chief executive officer.

The Toronto-based company has been struggling with an extremely heavy debt load since Robert Campeau engineered a handful of costly acquisitions of prestigious U.S. department store chains several years ago.

U.S. retailing subsidiaries Federated Department Stores Inc. and Allied Stores Corp. both filed for Chapter 11 federal bankruptcy protection from creditors earlier this year. Their holding company parent, Federated Stores Inc., subsequently filed for Chapter 11 as well.

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#90222u2255 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - The stock market rang up its fourth straight weekly loss this week as the turmoil in the Middle East sent oil prices surging and investors running for cover because of revived inflation fears.

The Dow industrial average plunged 42.33 Friday to close at 2716.58, losing 93.07 points, or 3.3 percent.

Of the broad market indexes, Standard & Poor's 500-stock index lost 9.34 to end the week at 335.52 and the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 4.67 to close the week at 184.15.

Declines pounded advances 1,459-501 among the 2,180 issues traded this week. Big Board volume totaled 963,579,960 shares, compared with 1,042,535,030 a week earlier and 1,004,028,870 shares a year ago.

On Monday the index plummeted more than 93 points, its biggest loss since October 1989, the 190-point plunge which has come to be known as the ''mini-crash.'' The loss was also the seventh-biggest in history after a slide of 95.46 on Oct. 14, 1987. The stock market crash came five days later, sending the Dow down 508 points.

The plunge triggered the NYSE ''circuit-breakers'' designed to cushion market declines, among them a new one that went into effect July 31. It requires traders to refrain from using program selling so that the market

does not destabilize when the Dow falls 50 points or more.

Trading was very heavy as the market was rocked by escalating tensions in the Mideast and surging oil prices. Crude oil futures for September delivery rose $1.77 on the week despite losing $2.35 Wednesday amid reports that Saudi Arabia was increasing production to make up for the disruption of supplies from Iraq and Kuwait.

At that point Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had told President Bush he would not attack Saudi Arabia and wanted ''normal relations'' with Washington, but he appeared to raise the stakes of war by rounding up 28 Americans and hundreds of other foreigners in occupied Kuwait.

Despite Saddam's assurances, Saudi and U.S. military officials braced for a possible Iraqi attack on the oil rich kingdom and the United Nations imposed harsh economic sanctions aimed at pressuring Saddam to withdraw his troops from Kuwait.

By Tuesday, reports had begun to surface that U.S. troops were headed for the Persian Gulf and when troops began to arrive Wednesday and Thursday, investors seemed to take heart that there was now a ''policeman'' in the conflict, that Saddam would not simply be allowed to have his way with the Arab countries.

Stocks rebounded Wednesday and Thursday, the Dow closing up 24 points each day, but by the time Friday came around, and with the weekend ahead, investors became nervous about how events might unfold and either sold or took to the sidelines, sending prices down sharply but in light trading.

As the week ended, the market heard some tough talk from Iraq, specifically a call by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to the Arab world, to wage a popular uprising against Western intruders in the Middle East. But Arab leaders meeting in Cairo stiffened their opposition to his invasion of Kuwait.

Arab leaders issued a statement calling on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait and allow restoration of the emir of the oil-rich kingdom, and for the creation of a pan-Arab peacekeeping force to be deployed on the Saudi-Kuwaiti border.

''The Mideast remains the focal point for the market,'' said Alan Ackerman senior vice president at Gruntal & Co. ''There still no clear idea about what will happen there, the U.S. is increasing its military commitment but Iraq shows no signs of backing down. The summit was an attempt at an Arab solution to a complex problem.''

But other analysts, even with the sharp drop Friday, seemed encouraged by how the week progressed.

''I think we panicked early in the week,'' said Don Hays, director of investment strategy at Wheat, First Securities Inc. in Richmond, Va. ''The bottoms of most stocks were made Monday and Tuesday.

''If there's a major catastrophe in the Mideast it could drive us still lower but I think the market is trying to make a stand here,'' he went on. ''Even though we went down 42 Friday, many stocks didn't touch the lows of three days ago.''

Hays noted the surge in gold as the week ended as investors sought a safe haven. Gold futures for August delivery surged more than $11 an ounce Friday to $396.90.

''Even though the situation is still not resolved, we know more than we did when the week began and that has quieted many stocks,'' he said. ''We don't have the same degree of panic we had earlier. And President Bush went on vacation.''

On the trading floor this week, Texaco was the most active issue, off 1 1/2 to 63 1/8 as the rally in oil issues cooled as the week went on.

Alcan Aluminum followed, off 7/8 to 22 1/2. Wal-Mart Stores was third, off 1/2 to 29 7/8 after a lackluster July sales report.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T lost 1 to 35, Philip Morris fell 5/8 to 45 7/8, General Electric tumbled 3 1/8 to 66 5/8, General Motors sank 3 7/8 to 39 1/2, IBM tumbled 4 7/8 to 102, and Exxon was off 1 1/2 to 51 5/8.

On the American Stock Exchange, the Amex Market Value index fell 7.31 to close Friday at 339.32. Declines led advances 614-234 among the 1,010 issues traded.

Amex volume totaled 85,757,990 shares, compared with 80,982,455 traded a week earlier and 82,709,365 traded in the same week a year ago.

Continental Air led the Amex actives, up 1 7/8 to 6 1/2 in the week that saw the resignation of the controversial Frank Lorenzo as chairman and chief executive.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 9.42 to end the week at 408.04.

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BOSTON (AUG. 10) UPI - B.F. Skinner, the famed father of behaviorist psychology who is dying of leukemia, presented Friday what is likely to be

his last paper, saying the search for a hidden inner self is the ''creationism'' of his profession.

Skinner, 86, whose 1948 book ''Walden Two'' described a Utopian society governed by his theory of ''operant conditioning,'' spoke after receiveing a lifetime contribution citation from the American Psychological Association.

Skinner's paper was delivered as the kick-off event for the four-day convention, a gathering of some 20,000 psychology professionals from around the nation.

The Harvard University professor emeritus has argued over a lifetime that human behavior is a byproduct of the environment, that organisms are capable of little or no ''free will'' but rather react to rewards and punishments.

Skinner's dissertation compared religious creationists to his long-time opponents, the cognitive psychologists, whose search for the inner motive behind behavior he said was a futile search for a non-existent entity.

''I think it's time we realized that the science that will be most helpful to us in the future is not the cognitive searching for the inner mind and self, but rather an understanding of selective consequence,'' the thin, white-haired researcher said.

''In my life, what I've been doing is trying to make that clear,'' Skinner told about 1,000 conventioneers. ''If there is any endeavor that I've been successful in, that is what I'd like to be remembered for.''

The paper, a retrospective on his theories and their future, is expected to be published in a psychology journal.

Conceding his celebrated life is drawing to a end, Skinner nevertheless faces his affliction with the same rationalist spirit that has guided his career.

''It's a very interesting disease I have but as long as I've got enough blood plasma I think I'll be all right,'' Skinner said before the presentation.

''I'm very optimistic for certain kinds of psychology; the kind of behaviorism I practice,'' Skinner said. ''I'm attacking cognitive psychology. That's the usual thing.''

Skinner is best known for his ''Skinner Box,'' which he used to train animals to demonstrate his theories. In one of his best-known experiments, Skinner taught pigeons to play ping-pong.

Skinner's views, although considered groundbreaking in psychology, have been widely criticized as simplistic, likening humans to rats. Some critics charged the philosophy could be abused to try to control society to totalitarian ends.

Although Skinner's work did achieve some applications and spawned the creation of societies modeled on ''Walden,'' his theories have largely been eclipsed by the more emotion-based cognitive approach to psychology.

But Skinner has insisted that understanding behaviorism is the key to world peace and individual contentment.

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#90222u2282 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (AUG. 10) UPI - An explosion on a bus outside the troubled Nagorno-Karabakh region of Azerbaijan killed 17 people Friday and left 15 injured, the official Tass news agency said.

The explosion was the second violent transportion accident in 10 days near Nagorno-Karabakh, a mountainous enclave of Azerbaijan inhabited mainly by Armenians. The two Transcaucasion republics have been fighting over the region for 2 1/2 years.

''At least 17 people were killed and 15 wounded when a bus bound from (the Georgian capital of) Tbilisi to Agdam exploded near the village of Nadel on the Shamkhor-Ganja highway at about 11 a.m. today,'' Tass said. ''The victims included women and children.''

The bus's destination, the town of Agdam, is just outside Nagorno-Karabakh in Azerbaijan.

An Aeroflot Yak-40 plane crashed Aug 1 as it approached Stepanakert, the regional capital of Nagorno-Karabakh, killing all 26 passengers and four crewmembers aboard.

Neither the air crash last week nor the bus explosion Friday had been directly linked to the ethnic clashes over Nagorno-Karabakh, which have left several hundred people dead since they erupted in February 1988.

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#90222u2328 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - The Treasury bond market ended what one participant called a ''tumultuous week'' Friday with moderate losses that reflected uncertainty about the outcome of the Persian Gulf crisis and expectations of accelerated inflation stemming from the rise in oil prices.

But a day that began as a rout, with 30-year bond prices dropping by a point, ended in a modest sell-off as Iraq's call for a Moslem holy war was countered by the promise of an Arab League-formed peacekeeping force. Some analysts felt Treasury bonds could rally whenever the crisis eased.

Government trading manager Michael Moore of Continental Bank in Chicago spoke of ''the conclusion of a tumultuous week in the credit markets,'' referring not only to fallout from Iraq's seizure of Kuwait, but also to the U.S. Treasury's $32 billion auction held in ''a volatile atmosphere.''

Even in normal times, Moore said, the end-of-week sell-off could be expected as dealers took profits and lightened portfolios after the round of auctions of 30-, 10- and three-year government securities.

But on top of that, ''The market continues to focus on the possibility of open conflict in the Mideast and the impact that would have,'' he said.

Outright warfare in the Middle East would almost surely drive oil prices even higher and exacerbate U.S. inflation. Bond prices decline on expectations of worsened inflation, which erodes the instruments' fixed returns.

At close of trading Friday, the new benchmark 30-year bond, the 8 3/4 of August 2020, traded at 99 23/32 to yield 8.78 percent, compared with 98 24/32 when auctioned this week with an 8.87 percent average yield. Still, the bellwether bond was off 14/32 from its market levels late the previous day.

But the bond market was showing signs of coming to grips with Mideast perils.

Chief fixed income strategist James Kochan of Merrill Lynch Capital Markets said that with ''the scope of the Mideast crisis becoming clearer, the markets have begun to define yield levels that may be viable.''

''The risk of a military engagement is still considerable,'' Kochan wrote in a newsletter. More likely than that, though, is a prolonged economic blockade of Iraq - which has now been worked into bond prices, he said.

Even more sanguine over the medium term was Philip Braverman, chief economist of DKB Securities Inc., who said that bonds have every reason to rally once a kind of equilibrium is reached in the Mideast situation.

Economic fundamentals point to lower yields and higher prices, he said. There is strong reason to expect a recession - the more so since Mideast turmoil started pushing oil prices up - and that will help bonds.

''The recession will suppress inflation even with higher oil prices, which I think are a very temporary phenomenon,'' Braverman said.

Adding to the prospects of a bond rally, he said, is the likelihood that the Federal Reserve will move to bring short-term interest rates lower as soon as the Mideast situation stabilizes. Lower short term rates push bond prices up, making their fixed returns relatively more attractive.

But he said whatever the Fed does will be ''too little, too late'' to head off ''the worst recession since the Depression'' of the 1930s.

Ten-year Treasury notes ended at 100 19/32 to yield 8.66 percent, against 99 28/32 and 8.77 percent at auction Wednesday. Five-year notes ended at 100 19/32 to yield 8.34 percent, against 101 16/32 and 8.11 percent a week before.

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#90222u2330 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 10) UPI - Jurors in their second day of deliberations Friday again watched the videotaped confession of one of three youths on trial for the rape and attempted murder of a woman jogger in Central Park.

Sitting forward in their seats, the 10 men and two women on the jury looked at the screen as a diminutive Antron McCray, 16, recounted the night of violence on April 19, 1989.

In graphic detail, he described how a group of up to 30 teens rampaged through the northern half of the park, attacking nine victims.

Most seriously injured was the fifth victim, a 30-year-old investment banker who was bashed in the head, gang-raped and then left for dead in a mudddy gully.

Prodded along by the questions by Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer, McCray on the tape recalled climbing on top of the woman but claimed he only simulated sex to impress his friends.

The panel initially asked Justice Thomas Galligan if it could take the video cassette recorder back to the jury room to view the chilling statement in conjunction with maps of Central Park. The jury requested the maps Thursday.

The judge told the jury it would have to watch the tape inside the courtroom, but encouraged the panel to come back to view it as many times as necessary to reach a verdict.

The jury is considering 13 counts each against McCray, Yusef Salaam, 16,

and Raymond Santana, 15, in the rampage through a moonlit park.

Deliberations ended for the day at 6 p.m. EDT, after the jury twice asked to hear an explanation of the law concerning second-degree assault and riot. The jury was slated to resume its deliberations Saturday.

Because the youths were under 16 at the time of their arrest, they face a maximum of 5 to 10 years behind bars if convicted of the most serious counts - rape and attempted murder.

Both McCray and Santana gave written and videotaped confessions to police. Salaam made incriminating statements to a detective but never gave a signed statement or made a videotaped statement.

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#90222u2353 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

IRVINE, CA (AUG. 13) UPI - Troubled FundAmerica Inc., the buying club which was ordered earlier this week to stop selling memberships, said Friday that it has suspended all marketing operations.

''We are confident that we are delivering an honest and valuable product via an honest, credible and reputable marketing force,'' said Mitchell Blumberg, president and chief executive officer. ''While we don't believe we have violated any laws, we are anxious to put these issues behind us.''

Blumberg replaced financial iconoclast Howard Ruff earlier this week. Shareholders fired Ruff after he disclosed that the company had made $17 million in payments to founder Robert Edwards, who faces criminal fraud charges in Florida.

Ruff had, in turn, replaced Edwards, who faces up to 30 years in prison.

FundAmerica is under investigation for running an alleged pyramid scheme in a number of states and has been hit by a $150 million class-action suit in California. A federal judge has frozen $17 million in its accounts.

Ruff had alleged that Edwards was still in control of the company's shareholders, but Blumberg said that Edwards is no longer associated with the firm.

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#90222u2372 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - The Arab League today called on Iraq to get out of Kuwait and restore the nation's emir. The 21-nation group also sought creation of a pan-Arab peace-keeping force to be deployed on the Saudi-Kuwaiti border. It is NOT clear what Arab nations would take part in the force... or

whether they would join U-S forces in Saudi Arabia. The statement came after an Arab League meeting in Cairo apparently failed to convince Iraq to withdraw.

President Bush today advised Iraq NOT to ship oil, saying the United States will do ''whatever is necessary'' to enforce an embargo against Iraq. On Air Force One heading for vacation in Maine... Bush said Iraqi oil is NOT totally off the market, but it is diminishing. Bush says he's NOT worried about an Iraqi call for a holy war, but he is always worried about the threat of terrorism.

Gas prices nationwides have dropped- but just barely- for the first time since Iraq rolled into Kuwait. A daily survey of gas stations by the American Automobile Association today said the average price for self-service, UNleaded fuel dropped three-tenths on one percent. That didN'T stop scores of protesters in New York, who marched on Exxon headquarters to protest recent price hikes.

Justice Department officials say a former aide to Attorney General Dick Thornburgh was indicted today on cocaine use and possession charges. A four count indictment was returned against Henry Barr at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. It follows a 14-month investigation into drug use by former officials in Pennsylvania, where Thornburgh served as governor.

A California coroner has ruled that a lethal mixture of morphine and cocaine commonly known as a ''speedball'' killed Grateful Dead keyboardist Brent Mydland. The 37-year-old Mydland was found dead in his home in the east San Francisco suburb of Lafayette on July 26th.

New York police tell of five days of horror for a Brooklyn woman. They say the woman's boyfriend tied her to a bed while he beat her... burnt her body with a hot iron... shaved her head and shattered her teeth with a hammer. Officers say the 24-year-old woman apparently shook herself from the bed and walked to a nearby police station to report the incident.

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#90222u2375 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Marion Barry, a veteran of the civil rights war who switched to political battles and became mayor of the nation's capitol, now insists his No. 1 priority is the fight against the substance abuse that led to his conviction Friday on one count of cocaine possession.

Barry, who conceded he was an alcoholic in the wake of his Jan. 18 arrest on drug charges in a downtown Washington hotel, has never publicly discussed in detail the cocaine use that America witnessed on the FBI videotape of that sting operation.

Nor has he discussed in detail the voracious appetite for extramarital sex testified to during his trial by prosecution witnesses.

But he has made it a point during public appearances since his return to Washington from seven weeks of substance abuse treatment to cite the number of days of sobriety he has experienced since the night of his arrest.

He said publicly he intended to make his recovery his top priority, and to focus on it even, if necessary, to the exclusion of the duties of office that he said may have distracted him from his duty to himself and his family.

Barry made no public statement Friday after he was convicted on one possession charge and cleared on another by a jury that then declared itself deadlocked on 12 remaining charges, causing a mistrial.

But, standing in front of Barry and speaking for the mayor outside the federal courthouse in Washington, press secretary Lurma Rackley followed the mayor's pattern of focusing on the issue of recovery.

''He is relieved, obviously, and this is his 202nd day chemical-free,'' Rackley said.

Barry was born March 6, 1936, in the small Mississippi Delta town of Itta Bena. His father died when he was 4 and Barry, his mother and two sisters moved to Memphis, Tenn., the next year.

As a youngster growing up poor, Barry made his mark as ambitious and goal-oriented, often working two jobs at a time and becoming a Boy Scout and then one of the first black Eagle Scouts in segregated Memphis.

Barry earned an undergraduate degree at LeMoyne College in Syracuse, N.Y., and a master's in chemistry at Fisk University in Nashville, Tenn.

He was at work on a doctorate at the University of Tennessee when the civil rights movement interrupted his studies.

Barry helped organize the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee and in 1960 became its first national chairman. He went to Washington in 1965 to take over SNCC's local office.

In 1967, he co-founded Pride Inc., a non-profit organization aimed at helping blacks better themselves economically.

Barry was elected to the city's Board of Education in 1971 and was its president until 1974, when he won an at-large seat on the City Council. He was easily re-elected in 1976.

In March 1977, Barry was struck in the chest by a ricochet shotgun pellet fired by Hanafi Muslims during their seige of the District Building.

Barry, who was not seriously hurt, upset incumbent Mayor Walter Washington in the 1978 Democratic primary and became the city's second elected mayor.

That same year Barry was married for the third time, to the former Effi Slaughter, and in 1980 they had a son, Marion Christopher.

Barry spent much of his first term battling government inefficiency and a massive budget deficit, a problem his administration is grappling with again, 12 years later.

In 1982, Barry easily won re-election to a second term but soon became mired in drug and contracting scandals.

In April 1984, Karen Johnson, a low-level city employee with whom Barry had a ''personal relationship,'' was jailed after refusing to testify to a grand jury about allegations she sold cocaine to Barry. It was the start of years of public allegations of drug use, which Barry dismissed with outright denials. Asked once why he was often spotted at city nightclubs until the early hours of the morning, Barry replied he was a ''night owl.''

Despite his problems, Barry's approval rating soared to a record 70 percent in 1985 and he was re-elected in 1986 over Republican Carol Schwartz. Seemingly at the height of his power, the CBS news show ''60 minutes'' profiled him as ''Mayor for Life.''

During his three terms, a dozen top city government officials were convicted of crimes in office, but, until his arrest at a Jan. 18 sting, Barry had escaped charges.

His administration also has a deficit of nearly $100 million and a two-year hold on the highest per capita murder rate in the nation. Police blame most of those killings on drugs, especially the crack trade.

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(AUG. 10) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Aug 10, 1990	59	631	501	1459	220	2180
Aug 3, 1990	122	425	595	1389	199	2183
Aug 11, 1989	465	35	1009	845	316	2170
Aug 12, 1988	31	81	330	1584	255	2169

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PANAMA CITY, PANAMA (AUG. 10) UPI - Panama has gained custody of about 15,000 boxes of documents captured by U.S. troops when they invaded Panama last December, President Guillermo Endara said Friday.

Panama wants the documents to investigate ousted dictator Manuel Noriega. Several government officials have been demanding for months that the United States give the files back to Panama.

The U.S. government has controlled the documents since the December invasion. Federal prosecuters have been poring over them information on Noriega, who awaits trial in Miami on drug trafficking and money laundering charges.

An ad hoc commission made up of Panamanian clergy and a lawyer will decide which documents should be turned over to government ministries for investigations, Endara said at a press conference.

The commission will also determine which documents on private citizens gathered by Noriega's intelligence service will be destroyed.

''These files constitute an illegitimate and unwarranted intrusion into the privacy of Panamanians,'' Endara said of the files on private citizens.

Officials have accused the United States of obstructing the Panamanian justice system by refusing to turn over the documents.

They said the documents belong to Panama and are vital for their investigations of Noriega and scores of his cronies, accused in Panama of murder, human rights abuses and corruption.

The documents will be guarded by the U.S. military at a secret site but controlled by Panama, said Judge Eusebio Marchosky, who heads a team of government auditors investigating Noriega's associates.

''All the documents are going to be put under the custody of Panamanian authorities,'' Marchosky said.

Marchosky said the United States has copied files useful in its case against Noriega and those that could compromise U.S. national security. Defense lawyers for Noriega have also had limited access to the material.

U.S. officials have assured Panama that it has turned over all of the documents, which were captured during the invasion from Noriega's military headquarters and government offices, Marchosky said.

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#90222u2575 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 10) UPI - NASA had some good news today. Its Magellan space probe is safely in orbit around Venus and should begin to send back sharp images of the planet in about three weeks. Scientists hope to find reasons why Venus- a planet much like Earth- became a victim of a runaway ''greenhouse effect,'' shrouded in clouds and with a surface temperature of 900 degrees.

The American Red Cross is working to respond to government criticism about its blood supply. The national organization of the Red Cross is taking more control over its regional chapters in an attempt to make the blood-collection system address new concerns about AIDS. The changes will NOT affect local centers, where donors are already routinely screened and tested for the disease.

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#90222u2649 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 10) UPI - Deep divisions in the Arab League emerged at the emergency summit called today in Cairo, Egypt. The 21-nation group voted to impose sanctions on Iraq, demanding Baghdad withdraw its forces from Kuwait in favor of an Arab peace-keeping force. But Iraq, Libya and the Palestine Liberation Organization opposed the measure... and Iraq's President Saddam Hussein responded by calling for a ''holy war'' against Western intruders.

Pentagon officials announced today that 23-hundred troops from the 24th Infantry Division are bound for Saudi Arabia... armed with artillery, armored vehicles and attack helicopters. 48 F-16 fighter jets are also on the way, joining up with 48 F-15 Eagle fighter jets already there. In addition, two Navy hospital ships with facilities for treating victims of poison gas are steaming for the region.

President Bush sent a message to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today... advising Iraqi ships ''not to go out with oil.'' The president said he's ''not prepared to use the word 'blockade''' concerning the multinational attempt to ''tighten up even more'' on Iraq. But he did say he will do whatever is necessary to halt Iraqi exports.

A jury today convicted Washington Mayor Marion Barry of one misdemeanor count of cocaine possession, but acquitted him of another count... and said it was deadlocked on 12 other drug and perjury charges. U-S District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson then declared a mistrial on the UNdecided counts. The two verdicts returned will stand. Barry looked calm in the Washington courtroom as the verdict was read.

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#90222u2661 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 10) UPI - A federal judge in Los Angeles today ordered the release of a doctor apparently abducted through U-S actions in Mexico in connection with the 1985 murder of a U-S drug agent. In a stunning ruling, U-S District Judge Edward Rafeedie ordered the gynecologist returned to Mexico because his arrest violated an extradition treaty. The Drug Enforcement Administration expects to appeal in the case involving the murder of drug agent Enrique Camarena.

A civil rights group plans to investigate the recent fatal shootings of two blacks by Asian store clerks, which sparked protests in Philadelphia. The Congress of Racial Equality will see what people who live near the shootings have to say. The group wants to see if the shootings fit a pattern of growing ethnic tension in big cities. Prosecutors say one victim died after brandishing a box-cutter, while the other was killed during an attempted robbery.

As many as one-Million dead fish are fouling parts of the coast of Maine... causing inns to close for the season and tourists to cut short vacations. Huge schools of small herring-like fish called menhaden were killed last week when they swam into Quahog Bay and sucked all the oxygen out of the water. Says one resident- ''It's like the Dead Sea out there.'' State officials say there's little to do but let nature run its course until the fish decompose.

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#90222u2846 08/10/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 10) UPI - The Arab League decided in a four-hour closed-door meeting today in Cairo to create an Arab peace-keeping force to place in Saudi Arabia. It's NOT clear what nations will make up the force, although Egypt is sure to lead the way. Arab leaders also voted to impose economic sanctions against Baghdad.

President Bush says he will do what is necessary to restrict the flow of exports from Iraq. Bush refused to use the word blockade, but he warned his Iraqi counterpart to NOT try to fill his ships with oil.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry smiled and hugged his suuporters after the jury in his drug and perjury case found him guilty of only one of the 14 counts he faced. The panel found Barry innocent on another count and declared a stalemate on the other 12 charges.

U-S District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson declared a mistrial on the UNdecided charges. He has set a September 17th hearing to decide whether

Barry would be retried on those counts.

The American Automobile Association today reported the first decline in gas prices since the August 2nd Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. The Triple-A says average self-serve pump prices for UNleaded gas dipped three-tenths of one cent... to a dollar-25 a gallon.

Some 300-thousand acres of the American West have been charred by raging wildfires. Many of the infernos were sparked by lightning strikes amid heat-inspired dryness. Eight states are plagued by the conflagrations... 41 of which are considered ''major.''

Officials in Staten Island say two people suffered minor injuries today when a tornado touched down six times. The twister ruptured a gas line and damaged at least one-dozen houses before it fizzled out over the New York Bay.

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#90222u2847 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - The American Red Cross announced today it will take steps to ensure the country's blood supply is safe. The reorganization includes more control for the national organization over its regional chapters and several personnel changes.

A Los Angeles federal judge today ruled that the arrest of Mexican doctor in connection with the murder of a federal drug agent violated international law. The suspect, a doctor from Guadalajara , was abducted last April and then arrested on U-S soil by the Drug Enforcement Administration.

The Justice Department says a federal grand jury in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, has indicted a former aide to U-S Attorney General Dick Thornburgh. Indicted on four counts of cocaine use and possession is Henry Barr... who worked with Thornburgh in Harrisburg and in Washington.

Aerospace giant Boeing announced today it will NOT subject most of its workers to random drug testing. Instead, Boeing said it intends to emphasize rehabilitation and education programs to counter possible drug use among employees.

South African authorities say security forces appear to have restored order in the mixed-race suburbs near the Indian Ocean city of Port Elizabeth. At least 40 people died and scores were wounded in four days of UNrest in the area.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami has downgraded Tropical Storm Edouard to a depression. The re-classification came after Edouard's winds

fell below the 35-mile-an-hour threshold for tropical storm status. Edouard was located about 125 miles northeast of the Azores Islands.

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#90222u2972 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - The Arab League voted today to impose sanctions on Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait. In an emergency meeting in Cairo, Arab leaders demanded Iraq withdraw from Kuwait and respect the placement in the region of an Arab peace-keeping force. But the vote was NOT unanimous. Libya, the Palestine Liberation Organization and Iraq voted against the measure... while Algeria and Yemen abstained.

The tense situation in the Middle East affected markets around the world this week. A stock rally in New York and Europe petered out yesterday as investors sought safety in gold. New York markets saw gold prices reach a five-month high at 396 dollars, 50 cents an ounce. Oil prices rose, but the price of gas dipped slightly at U-S pumps in response to calls for restraint on the part of the U-S oil industry.

A jury today convicted Washington Mayor Marion Barry of one count of cocaine possession... cleared him of a similar count... but deadlocked on 12 other counts. Both charges decided by the panel were misdemeanors. The judge declared a mistrial on the rest. The prosecutor defended his investigation of what he called Barry's ''six-year pattern'' of drug abuse... but put off saying whether he would seek a retrial.

New York prosecutors today said a bomb was placed in the car of the wife of a key witness in a trial of 11 alleged mobsters. A federal prosecutor said the woman received a phone call telling her to ''drive carefully'' and calling her husband a ''rat.'' The woman ran to her car to pick up her son... and found a gasoline bomb. A cigarette fuse had been lit but separated, and the bomb did NOT explode. Prosecutors asked for tighter bail restrictions for the suspects.

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#90222u2982 08/10/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 10) UPI - Jurors in the trial involving the rape and beating of a jogger in New York today watched a videotaped confession for a second time. The jury asked to see the statement of 16-year-old Antron McCray describing the ''wilding'' rampage through Central Park last year. On the tape, McCray recalled climbing on top of the woman but claimed he simulated sex to impress his friends. McCray and two other teenagers are each charged with 13 counts in the attack.

A report today says the forewoman of a Boston jury that convicted a Christian Scientist couple in the death of their young son charges the

judge was biased. Jolyne D'Ambrosio wrote to a superior court justice last month... saying she believed the judge's ''narrow instructions'' gave the jury little choice but to deliver a guilty verdict for involuntary manslaughter.

86-year-old B-F Skinner presented what is likely to be his last paper today at the convention of the American Psychological Association in Boston. The Havard professor emeritus argued again for his behaviorist psychology, comparing cognitive psychologists who search for a motive behind behavior to religious thinkers who espouse ''creationism.''

East Germany's state prosecutor says former communist leader Erich Honecker is under investigation in the deaths of some 200 people killed trying to flee his Stalinist rule. The 77-year-old Honecker- ousted last November- was questioned about the deaths today. As the former chairman of the East German Defense Council, Honecker can be held responsible for the deaths.

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#90223d0170 08/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 11) - Texaco, which hiked the retail price of its petrol by 9.5 pence a gallon on August 6, announced that it will lower the price by 2.7 pence on Monday, for a net increase of 6.8 pence.

The announcement on Saturday was the first by an oil company dropping its retail price since a flurry of increases this week because of instability on the oil markets after Iraq'a August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Shell had increased its price by 5.5 pence a gallon and Esso by 10.5 pence.

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#90223d0650 08/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 11) - Two Iraqi pilots defected Thursday and landed in Saudi Arabia, an informed U.S. source in the Gulf said Saturday.

The two Iraqi pilots flew down the Gulf and landed on the east coast of the kingdom, the source said.

Official confirmation of the defection could not be obtained from Riyadh.

American and British forces are deploying in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf to help avert a possible Iraqi attack.

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#90223d0800 08/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 11) - Saudi troops fired ground-to-air missiles at two Iraqi reconnaissance planes Saturday that were overflying Saudi territory near Dhahran air base in Eastern Province, a Western diplomatic source said here.

The Iraqi jets were 320 kilometers (190 miles) from the Kuwait border over Saudi territory when Saudi troops opened fire with a dozen missiles in the early afternoon, the source told Agence France-Presse.

The Iraqi planes immediately withdrew, the source said.

These are the first shots fired between Iraq and Saudi Arabia in the gathering Gulf crisis since Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2.

American forces have been deploying at the Dhahran base, where Galaxy transport planes have been unloading men and equipment.

The civilian airport at Dhahran has been closed and flights rerouted to other cities in the Gulf.

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#90223d0840 08/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 11) - A boat carrying 39 Sri Lankan refugees to India capsized in the narrow Palk Straits early Saturday, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said. Thirty-four of the passengers were feared drowned.

Five survivors told the news agency that they had been rescued by another boat taking refugees from war-torn Sri Lanka to India's southern Tamil Nadu state.

There was no official confirmation in Tamil Nadu, home to some 55 million Indian Tamils, of the incident.

Some 67,000 Sri Lankan refugees, mostly Tamils, have arrived by official Indian count in Tamil Nadu since renewed fighting between Sri Lankan troops and Tamil rebels erupted after Indian troops pulled out in March.

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#90223d1040 08/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 11) - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said Saturday that there was "no hope of finding a peaceful solution to the Iraq-Kuwait crisis."

In a meeting with reporters, Mr. Mubarak harshly criticized the behaviour of several Arab leaders, notably Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat, during the emergency Arab summit here Friday.

The summit was convened as a last-ditch Arab effort to find a diplomatic solution to the gathering Gulf crisis after Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90223d1260 08/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONROVIA (AUG. 11) - Liberian rebels, pressing forward into the heart of Monrovia, on Saturday ordered the evacuation of a hospital located near several embassies.

Members of the largest of the two forces fighting to overthrow President Samuel Doe are now within a mile (1.5 kilometer) from his downtown Executive Mansion, fighting a house-to-house battle with Mr. Doe's troops.

The rebels of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) ordered the evacuation of St. Joseph's Hospital, located in Sinkor district near the embassies of West Germany, Italy, Switzerland and Morocco.

The leader of a 12-member medical team from Medecins Sans Frontieres (MSF) said in an interview that he was approached Saturday by an NPFL officer who asked his team to evacuate the hospital out of fear of retaliatory shelling by government forces.

"We're going to evacuate the women and children first and if it's possible, we'll come back and get the rest," said the physician, Johan Heffinck of Belgium.

The hospital, located near the coastline, was caught in crossfire on Friday. There were 80 bed-ridden patients there, down from nearly 300 at the beginning of the week. Among those were 120 who had been injured when government troops massacred several hundred refugees in the St. Peter Lutheran mission.

"Everyone who can walk has already left," Dr. Heffinck said.

He said the MSF team would use the hospital's 20 remaining vehicles to transfer the patients to a hospital in Gbarnga, about 60 miles (100 kilometers) north of Monrovia, in an area controlled by the NPFL.

Dr. Heffinck said his team had had serious problems with the government troops, which had taken vehicles and killed one of the hospital's Liberian drivers.

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#90223d1490 08/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 11) - China's fledgling aerospace industry is set to compete on the international market in the next decade, aerospace industry minister Lin Zengtang said in a report published Saturday.

The official China Daily quoted the minister as telling a recent Shanghai conference that China's Long March 2-E rocket would put two large Australian communications satellites into orbit in 1991 and 1992. The rocket was successfully test launched on July 16.

Mr. Lin said the new generation of Long March rockets would enable China to enter the market for heavy boosters in the 1990s.

He said exports of aerospace products this year are expected to hit a record 294 million dollars, up from last year's 200 million dollars, and that sales were expected to continue to increase.

China will put an ArabSat satellite into orbit with a Long March 3 booster at the end of next year, he said.

The Long March 3 enabled China, for the first time in April, to put a foreign satellite into orbit, with the launch of a U.S.-made AsiaSat 1 satellite owned by a Hong Kong-based consortium.

China is hoping to take advantage of low operating costs to break into a market until now dominated by the United States and France, analysts said. West Europe's Arianespace consortium has accused China of "dumping" in the booster field.

China is also banking on an increase in exports of aero-related products,

Mr. Lin said. The 17-seat Yun-12 aircraft has drawn interest from several Asian countries, the report said.

It is the first twin-engine propellor aircraft that China has been able to sell abroad. The plane's first buyers, Sri Lanka and Laos, recently signed contracts to purchase five more and three other countries have expressed interest in buying 20.

The minister said negotiations were also under way with foreign clients for the purchase of Y-5, Y-7 and Y-8 aircraft.

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#90223d1780 08/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (AUG. 11) - Iraq has taken into custody about 400 Bangladeshis working at Kuwaiti defence facilities, a top official said here Saturday.

Foreign Secretary Abul Ahsan told reporters the government had been in

contact with the Red Cross, the United Nations and countries which have workers in Kuwait, such as India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka, to prepare for a possible evacuation "should such a development become necessary."

He said some 400 Bangladeshis working in Kuwaiti defence installations were being kept in camps near Baghdad.

The Iraqi ambassador in Dhaka, summoned to the foreign ministry here Saturday, had promised their early release, he added.

Mr. Ahsan stressed that evacuation of Bangladeshis, estimated officially at 70,000 in Kuwait and another 8,000 in Iraq, "is not an immediate possibility at this stage."

But he said Dhaka wanted to be prepared if it needed to evacuate its citizens from the region, in turmoil since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

Mr. Ahsan said some 1,200 Bangladeshis had fled Kuwait and had entered the Saudi town of Khafzi. About 25 Bangladeshis were at the Bangladesh Embassy in Riyadh or had taken shelter in a Bangladeshi school.

Informed sources said another 2,000 Bangladeshis were heading for Kuwait's border with Saudi Arabia.

Bangladesh had earlier said 61 of its nationals working at a Kuwait air base as civilian technicians, cooks and cleaners were detained by Iraqi troops, and 17 had gone missing.

Mr. Ahsan said Bangladesh had asked Saudi Arabia to provide assistance to its citizens seeking refuge in the kingdom.

Officials said they had lost contact with Bangladesh embassies in Kuwait and Iraq and were waiting for news of Bangladeshis caught up in the Gulf conflict.

Meanwhile, Minister for Labour and Manpower Sirajul Hossain Khan chaired an inter-ministerial meeting Saturday to discuss a possible evacuation plan, BSS news agency reported.

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#90223d9650 08/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (AUG. 11) - Italian industrial production in June recorded its worst figures this year, dropping 3.6 percent compared with June 1989, official figures released Saturday showed.

The April and May indexes had already indicated a clear slowing in growth to one percent and 0.7 percent respectively.

The statement emphasized that the month of June this year counted only 21 working days while June 1989 had 22, and that the average daily figure actually increased by 0.1 percent.

Nonetheless, production only grew by 1.0 percent during the first half of 1990 in comparison with the first six months of 1989, whereas production for the entire year of 1989 registered an increase of 2.9 percent over 1988.

From January to June 1990, the economic sectors which recorded the strongest increases were petroleum products (+12 percent), pharmaceuticals (+10.5 per cent) and non-automobile transports (+6.8 percent).

Sectors in decline included precision instruments (-7.4 percent), pneumatics (-4.8 percent) and clothing (-3.3 percent), normally a steady gainer.

The national institute of statistics which issued the figures emphasized that this slowdown had been foreseen by experts who had noted a weakening of internal demand over the last several months while exports continued at a healthy pace.

The index for June 1990 was set at 125.2 against a reference of 100 in 1985.

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#90223d9680 08/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 11) - A group of 40 British citizens escaped across the Kuwaiti border into Saudi Arabia overnight Friday, the Foreign Office announced Saturday.

The members of the group, all of them men, are safe and in good health, a Foreign Office spokesman said.

The men are the first British citizens to successfuly leave Kuwait since Iraqi President Saddam Hussein closed the Iraqi and Kuwaiti borders on Thursday.

Most of the group are presently in Saudi Arabia, but eight of the men have arrived in Bahrain, according to the Foreign Office.

The spokesman refused to give details on the escape.

Some 4,000 British citizens remain in Kuwait, according to official estimates.

The Foreign Office also said that Iraqi troops in southern Kuwait were being reinforced.

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#90223d9780 08/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 11) - The Moscow News on Saturday launched a blistering attack on Iraq, criticised the Soviet Union for selling arms to the Arab state and urged the Kremlin to "bear its part of the burden" in curbing Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The independent weekly said the Kremlin had been "totally informed of the rivers of blood that flowed through the country during the campaigns, which were unequalled in their cruelty, to exterminate the Kurdish minority and the Iraqi Communist Party, but it preferred to remain shemelessly silent."

In a reference to Mr. Hussein, the newspaper said the Soviet Union knew "unequivocally" who was responsible for the Iran-Iraq war.

"Iraq must pay the highest price for such shameless and unprecedented aggression," the article said, calling on the Soviet Union to reevaluate its relations with "notoriously totalitarian and aggressive regimes inclined toward armed adventure and the annihilation of ther own people."

The newspaper called on the Soviet Union to "assume part of the burden" by cooperating with the United States in a response to Iraq's aggression.

Moscow stopped weapons deliveries to Iraq hours after the invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Using a similar tone, the union-backed daily Trud said the Soviet Union had to accept responsibility for events in the Gulf having furnished Iraq with weapons, nonetheless accepting the arms trade issue was "not so simple".

Trud called for a debate in the public and in the Supreme Soviet on the morality of Moscow's arms sales overseas.

The paper posed the question: "What attitude should be adopted if the Americans participate in a direct military operation, if the conflict spreads or if American citizens come under threat?"

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#90223d9880 08/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENNA (AUG. 11) - The Gulf crisis is hitting Eastern European economies particularly hard at a time when they are destabilised by efforts to move to a market economy and struggling to cope with reduced Soviet oil deliveries.

"The negative effect has been doubled," said Todor Balabanov of the Vienna-based Institute for Comparative Economics which specialises in Eastern Europe.

These countries had a high level of trade with Iraq, in particular arms exports, and are now facing crippling oil bills as they are no longer able to take Iraqi oil, which in some cases was being offered in part payment of debt.

An international embargo on Iraqi products introduced by a U.N. resolution after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last week "is creating a difficult trade situation for Eastern European countries," Mr. Balabanov said, "because deliveries of goods were fairly high."

Baghdad owes the Soviet Union some 2.5 billion roubles (4.3 billion dollars), Bulgaria some 1.3 billion dollars and Poland about half a billion, some of which Iraq had pledged to repay by providing 150 million dollars' worth of oil this year.

It also owes Hungary some 145 million dollars, according to press reports in the various countries in recent days.

They were expecting at least part payment in Iraqi oil, but the U.N. embargo decision, applied by Czechoslovakia, Poland and Bulgaria, with Hungary expected to follow suit, has dried up the supply.

The countries are now faced with unpaid debts and huge bills to buy oil elsewhere.

Arms sales to Iraq were the Eastern European countries' main resource in trade with the Gulf.

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#90223p4490 08/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Oil Company said today it lowered its wholesale gasoline prices in three markets in Ohio. Prices decreased 1.5 cents per gallon in Lebanon and Lima and 1.0 cents per gallon in Toledo. The price decrease took effect at 12:01 a.m. today.

On Thursday, Amoco announced it would freeze its wholesale gasoline and posted distillate and jet fuel prices through August 15, and that it might lower prices in individual markets if market conditions allow.

"Competitive market conditions in these markets have allowed us to make this move," said John C. Bergman, Amoco's east zone marketing vice president. "This price decrease is in line with our pledge to price our

products in a reasonable and responsible manner."

The price decrease is reflected in wholesale prices charged to dealers and jobbers in these markets. Amoco dealers and jobbers are independent businessmen and establish their own prices at their outlets.

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#90223p4493 08/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Corporation announced today that it is temporarily replacing the union-represented employees at its central telephone bureaus, computer centers and other principal operating facilities. These facilities will be staffed by temporary replacements until agreement is reached between company and union negotiators on either new union contracts or an extension of the old contracts.

Meanwhile, Western Union is continuing its regular operations, and all of its services are available to its customers on a normal basis.

The company has been in negotiation with the Communications Workers of America bargaining committees representing its bargaining-unit employees since July 23. The old two-year contracts expired at midnight on August 6 but management and union negotiators have continued to meet to try to reach agreement on new contracts. On August 8, management proposed a 90-day extension of the old contracts, which would have allowed orderly negotiations to continue and would have enabled the company to avoid the high cost of retaining temporary employees. However, the unions rejected that proposal.

In addition to wages, the principal contract issues include the extent of the company's rights to use outside contractors, employment of part-time workers, the level of employer/employee cost sharing in the provision of medical insurance, and various job-classification and other proposed productivity improvements.

Western Union services, which are provided through the company's two principal business units -- Financial Services and Business Services, include money transfer and bill payment services, telex, electronic mail, and paper-based message services such as Mailgram and Priority Letter services. Bargaining-unit employees normally engaged in the provision of these services work at the company's central telephone bureaus (located in Bridgeton, Miss., and Reno, Nev.), major computer centers (located in Middletown, Va., and Bridgeton), and at various order-processing, customer-support, telemarketing and other facilities throughout the country. These facilities are now being staffed by a combination of Western Union headquarters personnel and trained temporary replacements hired locally.

The nationwide network of 16,000 Western Union agents, who provide customer access to the company's money transfer and bill payment services, also is operating normally.

CONTACT: Warren R. Bechtel of Western Union, 201-818-5790, or 201-818-5000

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(AUG. 11) UPI - -refiling in one take-

C O R R E C T I O N:

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Soldiers from Egypt and other Arab nations are beginning to arrive in Saudi Arabia amid reports of a confrontation between Saudi anti-aircraft gunners and two Iraqi planes. Both Saudi and Iraqi officials deny reports that the gunners fired on two reconnaissance planes over Saudi territory. Morocco and Syria are also sending troops to Saudi Arabia. Kuwait's exiled leaders say their remaining forces will also take part in the multi-national force.

A newspaper in London says a British company plans to equip its workers in Saudi Arabia with anti-chemical warfare suits. The report says the suits are one of several measures British Aerospace is taking to protect its three-thousand employees in Saudi Arabia from Iraq's threatened use of chemical weapons. British companies that make the suits are reportedly being swamped with calls from people in the Middle East interested in the equipment.

The prosecutor in Marion Barry's cocaine and perjury trial says he'll announce September 17th whether the Washington, D-C, mayor will be retried on the UNdecided counts against him. Barry addressed a crowd of supporters today in his first statement since being convicted yesterday on only one of 14 charges against him. Barry called for the jury's ruling yesterday to be the final one in the case.

Pakistan's ousted prime minister, Benazir Bhutto, says she'll take her fight against the nation's new government to the Pakistani Supreme Court. Bhutto says she'll petition the high court next week to declare the president's dismissal of her adminstration UNconstitutional. The president sacked Bhutto's government earlier this week on charges of nepotism and corruption.

Tropical Storm Edoaurd dissipated today... but another storm has cropped

up. Edouard faded out over the colder waters of the Atlantic Ocean. But the seventh tropical depression of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season formed about 775 miles southwest of the Cape Verde Islands, off the coast of Africa. Forecasters say storm looks ''impressive'' enough to warrant weather advisories.

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#90223u0058 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - NL STANDINGS

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
EAST								
New York	64	45	.587	-	38-17	26-28	6-4	W-3
Pittsburgh	64	46	.582	1/2	31-20	33-26	6-4	L-3
Montreal	58	54	.518	7 1/2	31-23	27-31	4-6	W-3
Chicago	53	59	.473	12 1/2	28-29	25-30	6-4	L-2
Philadel.	52	58	.473	12 1/2	26-28	26-30	2-8	L-3
St. Louis	52	61	.460	14	27-32	25-29	6-4	W-2
West								
Cincinnati	64	46	.582	-	34-19	30-27	5-5	W-1
San Fran.	59	52	.532	5 1/2	31-24	28-28	5-5	L-1
Los Angeles	56	54	.509	8	32-24	24-30	4-6	L-1
San Diego	52	59	.468	12 1/2	28-30	24-29	7-3	W-2
Houston	49	63	.438	16	35-23	14-40	7-3	L-2
Atlanta	42	68	.382	22	24-32	18-36	2-8	W-1

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#90223u0162 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) SATURDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR

American League

Minnesota at Toronto, 1:35 p.m.
Texas at Chicago, 3:15 p.m.
New York at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.
Detroit at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.
Milwaukee at Kansas City, 8:05 p.m.
Baltimore at California, 10:05 p.m.
Boston at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.

National League

Chicago at New York, 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco at Cincinnati, 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.

Los Angeles at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m.
Philadelphia at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
San Diego at Houston, 10:05 p.m.

Edmonton, Alberta - World Championships

Basketball

Argentina - Men's World Championships

Boxing

Lake Tahoe, Nev. - Pernell Whitaker vs. Juan Nazario, 12, WBA, WBC, IBF lightweight unification title; Meldrick Taylor vs. Primo Ramos, 10, junior welterweights; Hector Camacho vs. Tony Baltazar, 10, junior welterweights.

Horse Racing

Saratoga Springs, N.Y. - Alabama Stakes

Golf

Birmingham, Ala. - PGA Championship
Stratton, Vt. - $450,000 Stratton Mountain LPGA Classic

Albuquerque, N.M. - Sunwest Bank/Charley Pride Senior Classic

Roller Skating

Pensacola, Fla. - U.S. Indoor Speed Championships

Shooting

Moscow - World Championships

Tennis

Albuquerque, N.M. - Virginia Slims of Albuquerque

Mason, Ohio - $1.02 million ATP Championships
San Diego - $225,000 Great American Bank Women's Classic

Track and Field

Plovdiv, Bulgaria - World Junior Championships

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(AUG. 11) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

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Boston 60 51 .541 - 36-18 24-33 7-3 L-1 Toronto 59
54 .522 2 31-28 28-26 4-6 L-2

Baltimore 54 57 .486 6 26-26 28-31 4-6 L-2 Detroit 53
61 .465 8 1/2 26-30 27-31 4-6 L-1 Cleveland 52 60 .464 8
1/2 28-27 24-33 5-5 W-1 Milwaukee 47 64 .423 13 24-32
23-32 2-8 L-3 New York 46 65 .414 14 23-29 23-36 6-4
L-1

West

Oakland 71 42 .628 - 36-21 35-21 7-3 W-2 Chicago 66
44 .600 3 1/2 33-23 33-21 7-3 W-2 Texas 58 55 .513 13
31-24 27-31 5-5 L-2 Seattle 58 55 .513 13 30-30
28-25 5-5 W-1 Kansas City 54 58 .482 16 1/2 30-26 24-32 6-4
W-4 California 54 59 .478 17 28-29 26-30 5-5 W-1 Minnesota
53 60 .469 18 29-30 24-30 3-7 W-2

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#90223u0289 08/11/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 11) UPI - The United States warned Iraq not to ship oil through the Persian Gulf, and rallied behind a pledge by several Arab nations to help defend Saudi Arabia from the threat of invasion.

President Bush sent a clear message Friday to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, saying ''I would advise Iraqi ships not to go out with oil.'' He said the number of Iraqi oil shipments have been reduced, but no details were disclosed.

The president's strong words came as officials crafted plans for a multinational blockade, but with Iraqi oil exports contained, a White House spokesman said the naval restriction did not appear ''necessary now.''

''I'm not prepared to use the word blockade, but I am prepared to say that we will do whatever is necessary to see that the exports from Iraq ... do not go forward,'' Bush said.

U.S. strategy to answer Middle East aggression by Iraq is influenced by

the presence of more than 3,000 Americans in Saudi Arabia and 580 in Iraq, including 38 being held in a Baghdad hotel.

The president said he had urged the State Department to issue an unusual warning saying the gulf situation may raise the risk of terrorism directed at Americans overseas.

''Part of any planning has to be about how to protect citizens,'' Bush said. ''We're not helpless, no. But as we see with hostage situations - and I don't think this is one - sometimes it's very difficult.''

Taking note of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2, the president broached the difficulty of dealing with Saddam.

''The troubling thing is we're up against a man who is known for his brutality and irrationality and who has taken a step that, though widely condemned, still has not been reversed,'' Bush said.

While a naval armada formed in the Persian Gulf region, with warships from Australia and Canada soon to join dozens from the United States, Britain, France and the Soviet Union, Bush notified Congress of his dispatch of U.S. troops to the Saudi Arabia. He said America's involvement in hostilities was not believed ''imminent.''

With several thousand Americans on the ground and more on the way, defense sources said the total U.S. force in Saudi Arabia could reach 50,000 troops.

Published reports Saturday indicated that the level of U.S. troops could reach at least 100,000 within the coming months.

Bush ordered U.S. troops into Saudi Arabia on Tuesday for Operation Desert Shield.

He said their purpose was defensive: to protect the Saudi kingdom from possible Iraqi aggression and to see that oil supplies vital to Western economies are not jeopardized by Saddam's military adventurism.

Bush tried to dodge congressional interference Friday by telling lawmakers no hostilities were expected, but the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee took issue with the statement, saying Congress ''may want to make its own determination.''

''A conflict in the Middle East would involve U.S. forces in the most extensive military operations since the Vietnam War,'' said Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I. ''In such a situation, formal congressional support under the terms of the War Powers Resolution is imperative.''

Bush, meanwhile, pointed approvingly to the high-level maneuvering under way to step up the economic pressure on Saddam.

''I am determined that the economic sanctions that are already beginning to bite at Iraq can be tightened up even more,'' he said.

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#90223u0299 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

MONROVIA, Liberia (AUG. 11) UPI - The Hamburger House closed when the rebels arrived. Its plastic seats are nearly lost in the thick grass sprouting from the roadside and its gaudy yellow colors have faded.

An arc of bullet holes cuts across a giant poster nearby advertising Benson and Hedges menthol cigarettes.

The war has shattered Liberia's pride of being a little bit of America. The roadside diners of Monrovia, the sidewalks, the police officers in their New York-style uniforms - all exposed as the empty pretensions of what the country would have liked to be, not what it is.

Reality is the desperate daily search for rice.

Police, silver pistols in fancy holsters, have not been seen since the government fell apart and law fell into the hands of the army, which is dominated by President Samuel Doe's Krahn tribe.

A band of heavily armed Liberian soldiers ambled through the embassy district to the American compound last Tuesday. They sang as they walked, accompanied by a pickup truck with a heavy machine gun mounted on the back.

They spoke in Krahn, and as they approached the embassy, a U.S. Marine with a bullhorn asked them to turn back, although the road is public and leads to the port, controlled by rebels determined to bring Doe down. The soldiers retreated.

Calls for the Marines to help make sense of the more than 6-month-old civil war shows how Liberia views the United States - the country from which the freed slaves came in 1822 to establish the Liberian state.

Prince Johnson, the rebel leader whose forces control half of Monrovia, threatened to take Americans hostage unless the Pentagon sent in a peace-keeping force. He eventually took 46 people captive, including one American. They were quickly released when African countries agreed to send a peace-keeping force sooner or later.

When the U.S. Marines took up posts at the embassy last weekend, they set up protective roadblocks. Johnson threatened to attack the roadblocks if

U.S. troops prevented him from reaching the enemy via the public highway.

''America is the motherland. I will attack the Marines,'' he said, somewhat confusingly.

As the motherland, America should not prevent an end to the war, and the end will come when Doe is overthrown, Johnson reasoned. America would do better to send a force to oust Doe rather than delay his overthrow by the rebels.

But just as the outward signs of American culture have faded as the war has declined into tribalism, the political relationship between the two countries has been proved to rest on pillars of sand.

There have been hints that the role of the Marines could extend beyond simply protecting the embassy and its staff, but there are no signs of that taking place.

As Marines poured off the helicopters sent from ships off the coast of the western African country, they took up positions around the embassy.

Did they really know where they were or what was going on?

''It's Liberia,'' said one soldier.

''Where's that,'' he was asked.

''Africa.''

''Had you heard of Liberia before you came here?''

''No, sir.''

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Exhibition Standings
American Conference

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	1	0	0	1.000	30	14
Denver	1	0	0	1.000	10	7
Buffalo	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Cincinnati	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Houston	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Indianapolis	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Kansas City	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Miami	0	0	0	.000	0	0

NY Jets	0	0	0	.000	0	0
San Diego	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Seattle	0	1	0	.000	7	10
LA Raiders	0	1	0	.000	10	17
New England	0	1	0	.000	14	30
Cleveland	0	1	0	.000	0	13

National Conference

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Chicago	1	0	0	1.000	13	0
New Orleans	1	0	0	1.000	17	10
Atlanta	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Dallas	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Detroit	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Green Bay	0	0	0	.000	0	0
LA Rams	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	0	0
NY Giants	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Philadelphia	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Phoenix	0	0	0	.000	0	0
San Fran.	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Tampa Bay	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Washington	0	0	0	.000	0	0

THURSDAY'S RESULTS
Pittsburgh 30, New England 14

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#90223u0319 08/11/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 11) UPI - Now there's something you don't see every day.

Two singles hitters took a Hall of Famer deep, an untouchable reliever couldn't find the strike zone, and a part-time infielder's fifth RBI of the season was a game-winner - not exactly your average night in the American League.

Rookie Craig Grebeck and light-hitting Ozzie Guillen were the unlikely longball heroes in the Chicago White Sox's 5-2, 5-1 double-header sweep of the Texas Rangers, as they knocked consecutive pitches from Nolan Ryan out of Comiskey Park.

It was Grebeck's first major-league home run and Guillen's first of the season.

''Hitting your first big-league home run is one thing,'' Grebeck said, ''but when it comes off a guy like Nolan Ryan, a sure bet for the Hall of Fame and probably the best pitcher there's ever been, that's a big thrill

for me.''

In the second inning, with runners at first and second, Grebeck smoked Ryan's first offering into the left-field seats for a 3-0 Chicago advantage.

''It surprised me,'' said Grebeck, recalled from the minors only eight days ago.

Guillen followed by lining Ryan's next pitch into the right-field seats. The blast came in his 361st at-bat and was the seventh of his six-year career.

''Both pitches were real poor pitches, right down the middle,'' said Ryan, who fell to 11-6 with his second straight loss since picking up his 300th career victory. ''What happened was I just made bad pitches,'' he said. ''I seem to be in a rut.''

Baltimore Orioles' reliever Gregg Olson hasn't had much experience with ruts this season, or with runs, but a sudden lack of control took care of that.

Olson watched from the bench as the California Angels pinned a 2-1 10 inning loss on him, but he had no one but himself to blame.

Olson, 5-4, simply couldn't find the plate in the 10th. He walked Chili Davis and Lee Stevens to open the inning and then ran the count to 3-0 on Johnny Ray before being lifted for Curt Schilling, who completed the free pass. With one out Kent Anderson stroked a single to right-center over a drawn-in infield for the game-winner.

''I got ahead of the count and when you're ahead of the count, it makes it easier to get your pitch,'' said Anderson, whose RBI was only his fifth in 40 games this season. ''Basically, I was trying to hit a fly ball or a line drive. Fortunately, I hit a line drive.''

Anderson driving in a run was about as common as Olson allowing one.

It was the time the right-hander had been scored upon since July 1, a span of 14 games. Overall, Olson has allowed runs in only six of his 44 appearances this season.

But Friday was a different story.

''Tonight, I just ran out of gas,'' Olson said. ''This outing's not worth talking about. We'd better leave it right there.''

''He just lost it,'' Baltimore Manager Frank Robinson said. ''He didn't

have real good control all night. That inning he just couldn't even come close. I felt I had gone as far as I could with him.''

-- AROUND THE AL --

Elsewhere in the American League: Kansas City swept a double-header from Milwaukee, 6-5 and 9-4, Cleveland topped Detroit 5-2, Minnesota slapped Toronto 7-3, Oakland blanked New York 3-0 and Seattle sunk Boston 4-1.

Royals 6, Brewers 5, 1st game
Royals 9, Brewers 4, 2nd game

At Kansas City, Mo., George Brett tied a club record by collecting seven hits in a double-header. Four of Brett's hits came in the opener, including a two-out, two-run double in the bottom of the eighth inning off Dan Plesac, 2-5,that rallied the Royals.

Brett added three more in the nightcap to equal the team mark set by Gerald Perry earlier this year. Kevin Seitzer delivered the big blow in the second game, a three-run triple in the second inning that put the Royals on top 3-0. Storm Davis, 6-7, went five innings. Steve Crawford recorded his first save.

Mainers 4, Boston 1

At Seattle, Ken Griffey Jr. collected four hits and Randy Johnson scattered four hits over eight innings to snap the Mariners' three-game losing streak. Boston maintained its two-game edge in the AL East. Johnson 10-7, won for the first time since July 4 and tied a season-high with 10 strikeouts.

Twins 7, Blue Jays 3

At Toronto, Gary Gaetti and Shane Mack each hit a home run and drove in three runs to support Dave West, 6-7. The twins rallied from a two-run deficit with a six-run seventh inning to pin the loss on John Cerutti, 8-8.

Athletics 3, Yankees 0

At Oakland, Dave Stewart scattered three hits over 8 2-3 innings and Terry Steinbach drove in two runs. Stewart, 16-8, retired 17 batters in a row at one point. Dave LaPoint, 6-8, lasted 4 1-3 innings.

Indians 5, Tigers 2

At Cleveland, Mitch Webster capped a five-run fourth inning with a grand slam and Mike Walker, 1-3, earned his first major-league victory in his ninth career appearance. Doug Jones earned his 30th save.

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#90223u0322 08/11/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 11) UPI - Thousands of lightning strikes sparked new blazes in the West, even as firefighters were taxed to the limit battling hundreds of wildfires that already have blackened more than 300,000 acres.

The wildfires, many out of control for days, raged through seven Western states Friday, demolishing homes and wildlife habitats and forcing thousands of campers and other visitors out of California's Yosemite National Park.

Some 19,000 firefighters were dispatched to firelines, particularly in the four hardest-hit states of California, Idaho, Utah and Oregon.

California reported nearly 1,000 separate fires, and dozens of other blazes plagued other Western states.

Dry thunderstorms were blamed for starting most of the fires, including as many as 40 new fires in the Wenatchee National Forest in central Washington.

The new burns came after firefighters contained two massive blazes, one near Lake Chelan in the north-central part of the state and the other in Glacier Peak Wilderness.

Oregon forestry officials said an additional 2,000 lightning strikes were reported since noon Friday, but higher humidity and cooler temperatures were expected to end the flurry of electrical storms this weekend.

Most of the Western fires - at least 42 of them considered ''major'' - were pushed by hot, arid winds and devoured valuable timber stands, as well as rangelands and brush left brittle by years of drought.

State and federal forestry firefighters were joined by local firefighters, National Guardsmen, prison inmates, and - in at least one case - employees of a lumber company whose stock was being wiped out by the flames.

In Oregon, 1,000 U.S. Army troops worked with 6,500 other firefighters in blazes in the eastern part of the state, where flames blackened at least 113,500 acres.

In California, the destroyed acreage topped 108,000 late Friday, while in Idaho, five fires burned at least 65,900 acres and seven blazes in Nevada consumed more than 11,225 acres.

In Utah, three blazes blackened some 7,600 acres, while in Washington,

more than 1,000 acres were lost. Two fires in Montana scorched 870 acres.

Working against heat and winds Friday, Oregon firefighters made some progress against several wildfires, including one that burned to within a mile of a small town.

The 73,700-acre Bald Butte blaze was triggered by lightning Monday night in the Ochoco National Forest. Some 1,500 firefighters were on the lines Friday night and several nearby communities were prepared to evacuate. Containment was not expected until early next week.

In California, with 15 major fires burning out of control, officials called the situation ''grim.'' After a brief weather reprieve Friday night thunderstorms and high temperatures were predicted for the rest of the weekend.

More than 17,000 lighting strikes have been recorded in California since Aug. 3, when the first widespread dry-lightning storms of the season hit.

A fourth consecutive year of drought and tree-devastating insect infestations were blamed for ''unprecedented areas of extreme fire danger'' across California.

Some 900 firefighters battled more than two-dozen fires in Yosemite National Park, which scorched about 18,000 acres by late Friday. The blazes forced officials to evacuate about 15,000 visitors from the 750,000-acre vacation destination.

Roads into the park were expected to be reopened Sunday, said Capt. Keith Johnson of the California Department of Forestry.

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CAIRO, Egypt (AUG. 11) UPI - Spearheading an Arab peacekeeping force in the Persian Gulf, Egypt sent thousands of troops to the troubled region to block Iraqi advances as Baghdad accused Arab nations of bowing to their American ''masters.''

Egyptian government sources declined to provide details of force levels or the troops' destination, but a Western diplomat in Cairo confirmed Saturday ''several thousand'' Egyptian paratroopers were on their way to the Gulf. The Washington Post put the number of Egyptian troops at 5,000.

Egypt's move to immediately make good on an Arab League decision for a pan-Arab force emphasized the growing rift in the Arab world, with President Hosni Mubarak and the Gulf states aligned against Iraq and its supporters including Libya and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

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Foreign Minister Esmat Abdul Meguid met Saturday with U.S. Ambassador Frank Wisner as well as ambassadors from Italy, Ireland and France in an apparent effort to coordinate strategy and discuss the escalating Gulf crisis.

The United States and other Western nations continued beefing up their military presence in the tinder-box region and appeared to be preparing for a blockade of Iraq.

The Washington Post reported Saturday that a force of more than 200,000 U.S. troops, several hundred combat aircraft and dozens of warships, could be deployed to the Gulf by autumn.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 11) UPI - A teenage father was charged Saturday with killing his 5-day-old son whose dismembered body was later eaten by the family's German shepherd, police said.

Anthony Radtke, 19, was charged with two counts of second degree murder in the killing of his infant son, Anthony, said police Sgt. Tina Mohrmann.

The father and the child's mother, Linda Boyce, also 19, originally told police the dog seized young Anthony from his crib and ate him while they slept.

But the medical examiner later determined that the infant was already dead when he was eaten. ''The baby was dismembered after it had died,'' said Ellen Borakove, a spokeswoman for the medical examiner. ''The German shepherd then ate some of it.''

After hours of questioning Radtke, police determined the young father, angry because the baby was crying, picked up the child and slammed him to the floor, killing him, Mohrmann said.

The incident happened either late Thursday or early Friday, Mohrmann said.

Officers continued to question Boyce and have not decided whether to charge her, the spokeswoman said.

The couple and an older daughter moved to New York three weeks ago from

Alma, Neb.

They initially told investigators they placed the infant in a crib in their room and went to bed about midnight Thursday and that the crib was empty when they awake about 6:45 a.m., Friday, said police Sgt. Peter Sweeney.

The parents said they found some blood and traces of the boy on the floor, the sergeant said.

Police took the 3-year-old pet to an animal medical center where X-rays showed the infant's remains - including some bone fragments - inside the dog's stomach, Sweeney said.

Veterinarians said the baby had been dead a number of hours before the remains were found.

The dog was put to death at the animal center.

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CAIRO, Egypt (AUG. 11) UPI - Egypt sent several thousands troops Saturday to the troubled Persian Gulf area as an advance guard of an Arab peacekeeping force to block Iraqi advances, brushing aside Baghdad's charge that Arab nations were bowing to their American ''masters.''

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Morocco and Syria are reported preparing to send troops to make a pan-Arab force.

Iraqi soldiers Saturday allowed 11 Americans to cross into Jordan, the State Department said. The 11 included 10-year-old Penelope Nabokov of Albany, Calif., who was traveling alone and had been one of scores of Americans detained at a hotel in Baghdad, Iraq, before she was turned over to the U.S. Embassy there. About 3,500 Americans are believed to be detained in Iraq and Kuwait.

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(AUG. 11) UPI - U.S.A WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	93	68	....
Anchorage sy	60	55	.40
Asheville sy	79	55	....
Atlanta sy	87	65	....
Baltimore pc	80	70	.03
Billings sh	83	63	....
Birmingham sy	91	66	....
Bismarck pc	80	51	....
Boston sh	70	60	.25.
Brownsville pc	92	72	.03
Buffalo pc	83	60	....
Burlington Vt. r	72	66	.96.
Charleston S.C.pc	83	77	.85
Charlotte sy	85	64	....
Chicago pc	83	63	.53
Cincinnati sy	85	60	....
Cleveland sy	80	57	....
Columbus Ohio sy	85	63	....
Dallas pc	96	71	....
Denver ts	92	61	....
Des Moines cy	82	68	.03
Detroit pc	85	60	....
Duluth pc	69	44	....
El Paso sy	93	68	....
Evansville cy	85	60	....
Fargo pc	76	42	....
Hartford sh	79	71	2.41
Honolulu sy	90	76	....
Houston pc	95	69	....
Indianapolis pc	83	58	....
Jackson Miss. sy	89	59	....
Jacksonville pc	92	71	....
Kansas City cy	89	69	.29
Las Vegas pc	106	85	....
Little Rock pc	92	71	....
Los Angeles f	73	65	....
Louisville pc	87	62	....
Memphis pc	89	66	....
Miami Beach ts	88	79	.23
Milwaukee pc	81	61	....

Minneapolis pc	85	57	....
Nashville pc	88	64	....
New Orleans sy	88	66	....
New York sh	78	68	.65
Oklahoma City cy	92	71	....
Omaha pc	81	66	.37
Orlando ts	91	68	.91
Philadelphia sh	79	70	.29
Phoenix pc	111	88	....
Pittsburgh pc	83	60	....
Portland Me. sh	76	67	.48
Portland Ore. sy	96	68	....
Providence sh	83	72	.12
Richmond pc	78	68	....
St. Louis pc	86	68	....
Salt Lake City cy	97	67	....
San Antonio pc	94	71	....
San Diego pc	77	70	....
San Francisco pc	74	56	....
San Juan pc	85	77	.52
Seattle sy	90	63	....
Spokane pc	73	60	....
Tampa pc	92	74	....
Washington pc	78	70	.20
Wichita ts	96	66	.44

c-clear cl-clearing cy-cloudy f-fair fy-foggy hz-haze m-missing pc-partly cloudy r-rain sh-showers sm-smoke sn-snow sy-sunny ts-thunderstorms w-windy

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ATLANTA (AUG. 11) UPI - Federal and state health officials are trying to find a field of contaminated tomatoes that may have sickened thousands of people in four Midwest states.

Doctors treated more than 100 cases of salmonella, or food poisoning, in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois and Michigan last week, but a health official in Minnesota said there were 6,000 to 10,000 unreported cases in his state alone of people who may have become ill from eating the contaminated tomatoes.

''Only about 1 percent (of these cases) are usually reported,'' said Dr. Oscar Holm, Minnesota state epidemiologist, who is coordinating the four-state investigation with help from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and the Food and Drug Administration.

Holm said in a weekend interview there have been no reported fatalities

from the illness but that 14 people in Minnesota remained hospitalized out of the 66 known cases in that state.

The outbreak originally was confined to Minnesota, Illinois and Michigan but Holm said new cases were being reported in Wisconsin.

''A field full of tomatoes was somehow contaminated,'' said Dr. Robert Tauxe, an epidemiologist with the CDC. ''This did not happen in the kitchen.''

Tauxe and Holm said they don't know where the field is and it is not known if the search is confined to the four states.

Holm said the probe of the outbreak that started in July implicated raw tomatoes ''very strongly''.

''It is somewhat unusual to think of salmonella being tranmitted by a vegetable,'' Tauxe said. ''It usually is a problem with raw meat.''

There are about 1,500 varieties of salmonella bacteria but they all cause the same kinds of symptoms - abdominal pain, fever, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting and dehydration.

Salmonella normally is transmitted by ingestion of food contaminated with feces of infected animals; also in eggs and egg products, meat and meat products, and in broiler chickens and turkeys.

More than 40,000 cases of salmonella are reported annually to the CDC and the number has been increasing steadily in recent years, Tauxe said. Many cases never come to the attention of health officials.

Holm said investigators were backtracking the tomatoes and getting closer to a single source. But he said it was not known if the contamination occurred in the shipping or the handling of the vegetable.

''We don't know how they were contaminated,'' Tauxe said. ''We may never know.'' He said consumers could avoid becoming ill by ''washing vegetables very carefully before slicing them up.''

Of those known to have become ill, some ate tomatoes in restaurants while others bought them at stores and consumed them at home.

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(AUG. 11) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C

Aberdeen cy	1pm	64	18
Amsterdam cy	1pm	73	23
Ankara pc	3pm	83	29
Athens c	2pm	85	29
Auckland pc	12a	58	14
Beijing c	8pm	76	24
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	64	18
Bonn pc	1pm	81	27
Brussels c	1pm	80	27
Cairo c	2pm	90	32
Casablanca c	12n	80	27
Copenhagen pc	1pm	70	21
Dakar pc	12n	85	29
Dublin r	1pm	63	17
Geneva pc	1pm	80	26
Helsinki pc	2pm	62	17
Hong Kong c	8pm	86	30
Jerusalem c	2pm	82	28
Karachi	5pm	-	-
Lisbon c	1pm	80	27
London cy	1pm	77	25
Madrid c	1pm	87	31
Malta c	1pm	83	29
Manila cy	8pm	82	28
Moscow cy	3pm	72	22
Nairobi pc	3pm	70	21
Nassau ts	7am	78	25
New Delhi cy	6pm	82	28
Nice pc	1pm	79	26
Oslo c	1pm	68	20
Paris pc	1pm	86	30
Pretoria pc	2pm	76	24
Riyadh c	3pm	107	41
Rome c	1pm	81	27
Seoul c	9pm	78	26
Sofia pc	2pm	68	20
Stockholm pc	1pm	72	22
Sydney c	10pm	50	10
Taipei c	8pm	85	30
Tokyo c	9pm	85	29
Tunis c	1pm	86	30
Vienna pc	1pm	76	24
Warsaw cy	1pm	59	15
Buenos Aires pc	9am	64	18
Caracas pc	8am	70	21
Havana pc	7am	77	25
Lima cy	7am	61	16

. Latin America

Mexico City hz	6am	56	13
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	68	20
Santiago fg	8am	39-04	.

Canada

Calgary c	82	27
Edmonton pc	82	27
Montreal cy	77	24
Ottawa c	81	27
Regina pc	82	27
Toronto fg	80	26
Vancouver pc	83	28
Winnipeg cy	68	19

c-clear cy-cloudy d-dust fy-foggy hz-haze pc-partly cloudy r-rain s-snow w-windy

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(AUG. 11) - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

BATTING (Minimum 275 at-bats)

AMERICAN LEAGUE	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	355	84	117	.330
Griffey, Sea	435	70	141	.324
Palmeiro, Tex	414	53	133	.321
Harper, Min	343	45	109	.318
Brett, KC	387	60	122	.315
Quintana, Bos	337	41	106	.315
JoReed, Bos	404	53	127	.314
Boggs, Bos	430	64	133	.309
Trammell, Det	411	50	126	.307
Martinez, Sea	369	54	113	.306

NATIONAL LEAGUE	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	406	82	143	.352
McGee, StL	442	68	150	.339
Dawson, Chi	366	51	122	.333
Bonds, Pit	356	78	115	.323
Murray, LA	364	62	117	.321
Gwynn, SD	441	62	138	.313
Larkin, Cin	424	59	132	.311
Sandberg, Chi	447	84	138	.309
Mitchell, SF	365	65	112	.307
Jefferies, NY	411	70	126	.307

HOME RUNS

American League - Fielder, Det 35; J.Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 28;

McGriff, Tor 25; Gruber, Tor 22.

National League - Mitchell, SF, Strawberry, NY and Sandberg, Chi 26; Bonilla, Pit 23; Sabo, Cin, Bonds, Pit 22.

RUNS BATTED IN

American League - Fielder, Det 90; J.Canseco, Oak 82; Gruber, Tor 78; McGwire, Oak and Sierra, Tex 71; Bell, Tor 69; Palmeiro, Tex 68.

National League - Carter, SD 89; Williams, SF, Bonds, Pit 86; Strawberry, NY 75; Bonilla, Pit 74.

DOUBLES

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos 37; Boggs, Bos 33; Puckett, Min and Brett, KC 31; Harper, Min 30.

National League - Wallach, Mtl 31; Dykstra, Phi 29; Jefferies, NY, Sabo, Cin, and Bonilla, Pit 28.

TRIPLES

American League - Fernandez, Tor 14; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos 7; Polonia, Cal, Webster, Cle, Felix, Tor and Eisenreich, KC 6.

National League - Duncan, Cin, Thompson, StL, L. Smith, Atl and Gwynn, SD 7; Bell, Pit, Duncan, Cin, Uribe, SF, Coleman, Stl and Dunston, Chi 6.

STOLEN BASES

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 49; Sax, NY 30; Calderon, Chi 29; Pettis, Tex 27; Kelly, NY 25.

National League - Coleman, StL 59; Yelding, Hou 46; Bonds, Pit 38; Nixon, Mtl 35; Samuel, LA, Raines, Mtl 34; Samuel, LA, Butler, SF 33.

RUNS SCORED

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 84; Fielder, Det 74; Yount, Mil 71; Griffey, Sea, Puckett, Min 70; Franco, Tex, McGriff, Tor 69.

National League - Bonilla, Pit 85; Sandberg, Chi 84; Dykstra, Phi 82; Bonds, Pit 78; Sabo, Cin 76.

HITS

American League - Griffey, Sea 141; Palmeiro, Tex and Boggs, Bos 133;

Seitzer, KC 130; Reed, Bos 127

National League - McGee, StL 150; Dykstra, Phi 143; Gwynn, SD and Sandberg Chi 138; Alomar, SD and Larkin, Cin 132.

PITCHING

VICTORIES

American League - Welch, Oak 18; Clemens, Bos, Stewart, Oak 16; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 14.

National League - Martinez, LA and Viola, NY 15; and Drabek, Pit 14; Armstrong, Browning, Cin, Gooden, NY and Tudor, StL 11.

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (MINIMUM 100 INNINGS PITCHED)

American League - Clemens, Bos 2.16; Finley, Cal 2.40; Stewart, Oak 2.46; McCaskill, Cal 3.06; Saberhagen, KC and Stieb, Tor 3.10.

National League - Tudor, StL 2.45; Viola, NY 2.48; Whitson, SD 2.62; Martinez, LA 2.79; Gardner, Mtl 2.89.

STRIKEOUTS

American League - Clemens, Bos 164; Witt, Tex 151; Ryan, Tex 150; Hanson, Sea 146; Johnson, Sea 138; Langston, Cal 128.

National League - Martinez, LA 174; Gooden, NY 145; Cone, NY 144; DeLeon, StL, 126 and Smoltz, Atl 125.

SAVES

American League - Eckersley, Oak, Thigpen, Chi 37; Jones, Cle 30; Schooler Sea 29; Olson, Bal 26.

National League - Franco, NY 25, Myers, Cin 22; Smith, StL 20, Smith, Hou, 19; Brantley, SF 17; McDowell, Phi and Lefferts, SD 16.

COMPLETE GAMES

American League - Stewart, Oak, Brown, Tex 7; Leary, NY, Saberhagen, KC, Young Sea and Morris, Det 5.

National League - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl, Belcher, LA, Maddux, Chi, Hurst and Whitson, SD and Martinez, Mtl 5.

SHUTOUTS

American League - Stewart, Oak 3; Appier, KC, Perez and King, Chi, Brown and Ryan, Tex, Knudson, Mil, Clemens, Bos, Welch, Oak and Black, Cle 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl and Viola, NY 3; 13 players tied with 2.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 11) UPI - Jurors began a third day of deliberations in the Central Park jogger beat-and-rape trial Saturday, mulling over the judge's explanation of the charges of assault and riot.

The panel of 10 men and two women returned to the jury room at 10 a.m. to consider the fate of the three teenagers accused of beating and raping a stockbroker during her nightly jog on April 19, 1989.

Late Friday, the jury asked Supreme Court Judge Thomas Galligan for legal instructions to reach a verdict on charges of second-degree assault and riot. The assault charge refers to attacks on two male joggers and the riot to the entire one-hour rampage.

Earlier Friday, the jury reviewed the taped confession of Antron McCray, 16, one of three defendants, and scrutinized enlarged maps of Central Park before recessing at 6 p.m.

McCray's lawyer, Michael Joseph, suggested the jury, in studying the maps and confession, may have been analyzing discrepancies between McCray's account of where the rape took place and the location described by the prosecution.

In his videotaped confession, McCray said the attack occurred near the Central Park reservoir, while the prosecution maintains it took place a half-mile away, at the 102nd St. transverse.

Joseph has argued that because McCray is unable to give a correct location for the attack, jurors should disregard the confession he gave police.

The prosecution has called that argument irrelevant, maintaining that the young men paid little attention to details.

The jury is considering 13 counts each against McCray, Yusef Salaam, 16, and Raymond Santana, 15, in the ''wilding'' rampage through the moonlit park.

Sitting forward in their seats, the jurors Friday looked at a video screen as the diminutive McCray recounted the night of violence.

In graphic detail, he described how up to 30 teenagers rampaged through the northern half of the park, attacking nine victims.

Most seriously hurt was the fifth victim, the 30-year-old investment banker who was bashed in the head, gang-raped and left for dead in a muddy gully.

Prodded by the questions by Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer, McCray on the tape recalled climbing on top of the woman but claimed he only simulated sex to impress his friends.

The jury twice asked to hear an explanation of the law concerning second-degree assault and riot.

Because the youths were under 16 at the time of their arrest, they face a maximum of 5 to 10 years behind bars if convicted of the most serious counts - rape and attempted murder.

Both McCray and Santana gave written and videotaped confessions to police. Salaam made incriminating statements but never made a signed or videotaped statement.

In a case without a shred of physical evidence linking the defendants to the crime, the statements are the prosecution's most powerful tool against them.

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#90223u0404 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEWPORT, Tenn. (AUG. 11) UPI - A Tennessee mill has stepped up production of specially designed military uniforms that repel deadly poison gases, intended for use by American troops being sent to the Persian Gulf area.

Officials of Camel Manufacturing Inc., longtime makers of tents for the military and the camping public, say they have been told by the Defense Department to increase production of their chemical-protective suits.

The tailor-made camouflage suits are intended to protect troops from deadly nerve and mustard gases, such as those Iraq used in its war with Iran.

The Defense Department made an urgent appeal Aug. 6 for the company to make as many suits as possible in the wake of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The news came just as Camel was tapering off production because of the end of the Cold War and subsequent federal military budget cuts.

The orginal Defense Department contract called for 327,000 suits but that was trimmed to 81,000 in July, according to Arnold.

''They called early Monday morning and requested daily updates on quantities produced,'' said Camel Vice-President Chris Arnold. ''We're still trying to produce as many suits as we possibly can.''

Arnold said Camel's 225 workers are putting in overtime to meet the military's demand of 200 chem-suits a day. But he said the plant would be producing 500 daily if its federal contract had not been cut.

The plant has a capacity of 1,200 suits a day.

The hazardous duty uniforms are made with a cotton-nylon material, rubber and laminated charcoal and are meshed together with a heavy-duty sewing stitch.

''That material absorbs the gas agents. It works the same as a home air conditioner filter. When it gets full it has to be replaced.'' Arnold said.

The deadly gas is heavier than air and flows from the disposable suits like rain from a roof and cannot gather in the suit's pockets or creases, according to Arnold.

A Defense Department quality control inspector checks every chem-suit before it is shipped to an Ohio military installation for distribution.

Arnold said the local plant and one in LaFollette, Tenn., will soon begin producing a hood that also filters the gas.

Drawbacks are that the lightweight uniform is hot and adds about 10 degrees to the temperature and that its olive drab color stands out in the 100-degree desert where they are targeted for use.

But Arnold said the U.S. is getting a great deal on the suits at just $61 each.

''The government is certainly getting a good buy. The chem-suit has a higher quality standard than a man's $2,500 suit,'' he said.

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#90223u0407 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

SINGAPORE (AUG. 11) UPI - Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew Saturday cited Iraq's invasion of Kuwait as an object lesson in urging China to persuade the Khmer Rouge to honor a U.N.-brokered settlement of the 11-year-old Cambodian conflict.

China arms the Khmer Rouge, the most powerful of the three resistance parties fighting the Hanoi-backed government in Cambodia.

''China should get the Khmer Rouge to undertake to abide by a U.N.-based settlement,'' Lee said.

At a banquet honoring Chinese Premier Li Peng, he also said the move towards free-market economies in Eastern Europe, the easing of tension between the superpowers and the end of the Cold War have led many political leaders in Europe and the United States to assume ''the disappearance of the old order means an era of peace for mankind.''

Noting that most leaders in Asia do not share that view of the future, Lee said they ''were surprised but not shocked when Iraq sent 100,000 troops to occupy Kuwait in less than seven hours.''

''The world can become a safer place only when an aggressor who invades another, especially a weaker country, is punished, not rewarded,'' Lee said. ''This is the lesson the Vietnamese have to learn for their aggression on Cambodia,'' the country they invaded in 1979.

Li, fresh from the restoration of diplomatic relations with Indonesia, met privately with Lee earlier to accelerate normalized ties with Singapore and discuss international and bilateral issues.

Arriving from the Indonesian resort of Bali, Li became the first senior Chinese leader in almost a decade to visit the island republic.

Li said progress has been made in cooperation between the two countries and he hoped his three-day visit would further open up ''a future of better and more comprehensive relations between China and Singapore.''

Lee, who has long maintained Singapore would follow Indonesia in establishing diplomatic ties with China, said the links would be formally adopted ''in the next few months.''

Officials said that meant during the first two weeks of November, before Lee steps down as prime minister of the city-state he has ruled for 31 years.

Lee hailed the restored friendship between China and Indonesia as ''a major turning point in bilateral relations'' after a rupture in 1967 led to more than two decades of enmity.

China, the world's most populous nation with 1.1 billion people, and Indonesia, ranking fifth with 180 million, formally resumed normalized relations last Wednesday, ending a 23-year freeze.

Jakarta broke off ties with Beijing, charging China with complicity in an unsuccessful coup attempt against President Sukarno in 1965, an accusation China has steadfastly denied.

Singapore and the tiny Southeast Asian sultanate of Brunei have lacked relations with China out of deference to Indonesia although business between Singapore and China has flourished, with trade between the two countries growing from $407 million in 1977 to $2.82 billion last year.

Lee confirmed he will visit China this fall and meet Chinese Communist Party chief Jiang Zemin for the first time.

He said both Singapore and Beijing had been able to keep up consultations since his first visit to China in 1976 and the absence of formal ties did not prevented them from cooperating.

The linkage would amount to another diplomatic setback for Taiwan, which is now recognized by about 20 foreign countries. Last month Beijing scored a diplomatic victory by sealing ties with Saudi Arabia. In response, Taipei suspended diplomatic relations with Riyadh but maintained economic and cultural relationships.

It was expected Singapore would follow a similar formula.

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#90223u0412 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL, South Korea (AUG. 11) UPI - South Korea cancelled Saturday its offer of free travel next week between the divided peninsula to mark the 45th anniversary of the end of Japanese colonial rule.

Two Seoul officials went to the border village of Panmunjom hoping to hand over a list of 61,355 South Korean wanting to visit North Korea next week but the North's representatives was not there, a government spokesman said.

Because of the North Korean refusal to receive and deliver the roster of visitors, the ''grand inter-Korean exchanges of people'' proposed by South Korea to mark the Aug. 15, 1945, liberation will not take place, the spokesman said.

In an unofficial bid to improve contacts with the North, five Roman Catholic priests tried to reach Panmunjom to contact North Koreans but were turned back by police at a checkpoint 5 miles south of the village.

Authorities said they stopped the priests because North Korea was not responding to official contacts seeking to realize free cross-border travel.

The priests had proposed to celebrate mass in the North Korean capital of Pyongyang on Aug. 15. North Korea said it would welcome them to the North along with South Korean dissidents.

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#90223u0460 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 11) UPI - The Chicago Bulls Saturday announced the signing of veteran Horace Grant to a three-year contract extension.

The 6-foot-10 forward led the Bulls in rebounding the last two seasons. He has averaged 7.3 rebounds and 11 points per game during his three years with Chicago.

Grant's contract would have expired at the end of next season, but now will keep him with the club through the 1993-94 campaign.

Bulls officials said the agreement came after eight months of negotiations with Grant's agents, Kyle Rote, Jr. and Jimmy Sexton.

''We are happy to have Horace in the fold for several more years,'' said Jerry Krause, Bulls vice president of basketball operations. ''He has developed into a quality player.''

Terms of the deal were not disclosed.

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#90223u0506 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - The African National Congress is trying to distance itself from a controversial remark made by Winnie Mandela, wife of Nelson Mandela. Winnie Mandela on Thursday said the A-N-C's suspension of a 30-year war against the South African government did ''NOT mean a cessation of violence.'' The A-N-C responded by saying- ''Many people make mistakes and sometimes misinterpret.''

In Pakistan, leaders of former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's party named a panel of legal experts to advise them on whether to challenge the president's dismissal of her government. A spokesman for Bhutto says any challenge will be filed to a high court or Pakistan's Supreme Court. President Khan ousted Bhutto's 20-month old adminstration, charging nepotism and corruption.

A judge in Los Angeles ordered the Justice Department to release a Mexican doctor who was abducted in Mexico for his alleged connection to the 1985 murder of a U-S drug agent. The judge says the doctor's arrest and extradition to the United States violated international law. The Mexican government strongly criticized the man's arrest.

A Seattle man returned home from a month-long European trip to discover the house-sitters he had hired had turned his home into a drug den. He says he opened the front door to find drug paraphernalia throughout the house, including syringes, dirty spoons and small balloons. Police arrested the woman house-sitter on outstanding warrants. The owner says the next time, he'll ask friends to house-sit.

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#90223u0524 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

TROPICAL STORM EDOUARD DISSIPATES OVER COLD WATERS OF ATLANTIC OCEAN

MIAMI (AUG. 11) UPI - Edouard, the fifth tropical storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, dissipated Saturday over the cold waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

At noon EDT, the remnants of Edouard were centered near latitude 39 north, longitude 22 west, or about 200 miles east northeast of the island of Terceira in the Azores. The system was moving east at about 12 mph, and that motion was expected to continue throughout the day.

''Edouard was just too far north to do anything, because of the cold waters,'' said Lixion Avila, a meteorologist with the National Hurricane Center near Miami.

On Friday, the storm spent its strength lashing the Azores Islands with 45 mph winds.

Eduoard formed from a tropical depression east of the Azores Wednesday.

Diana, the second storm to reach hurricane strength this year, dissipated Wednesday after slamming Mexico's gulf coast with 110 mph winds, killing three people.

Forecasters also were monitoring three tropical waves, one southwest of the Cape Verde Islands off the coast of Africa, another midway between Africa and the Lesser Antilles, and a third that was bringing showers and thunderstorms to the eastern Caribbean.

''The only one that's a little active is the one west of the Cape Verde Islands. It's a strong wave, but so far no development,'' Avila said.

Forecasters also were monitoring remnants of Tropical Storm Cesar. It flared up again Friday in the central Atlantic several hundred miles east of Bermuda.

''There is a broad area of low pressure on the surface and it does make us think it might regenerate. We're not concerned it's going to pop up overnight,but, given a couple of days, it could,'' forecaster Max Mayfield said.

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#90223u0572 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - The 21-nation Arab League is ignoring Iraq's call for a ''holy war'' against the West. Arab leaders meeting in Cairo yesterday voted instead to send peacekeeping troops to Saudi Arabia to prevent Iraq from invading the oil-rich kingdom.

Egypt initially proposed the Arab force to be a buffer on the Saudi-Kuwaiti border and to oversee a negotiated withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait. But Baghdad has made it clear that it has NO intention of withdrawing from Kuwait.

If Arab leaders are ignoring Iraq's call for a holy war... the Arab populace apparently is NOT. One official newspaper in Baghdad reports thousands of Libyan, Tunisian, Algerian, Jordanian and Palestinian volunteers arrived to join Iraq's armies.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry scheduled a news conference for this afternoon following his conviction yesterday on only one cocaine possession charge from a 14-count indictment. Supporters called it a victory.

About 19-thousand weary firefighters are battling lightning-sparked blazes particularly in the four hardest-hit states of California, Idaho, Utah and Oregon. Authorities say more than 300-thousand acres have been blackened.

In New York, jurors in the Central Park jogger rape trial begin a third day of deliberations this morning. Three of several men accused of attacking and gang-raping a 30-year-old investment banker are on trial.

NASA scored its first success in several months yesterday by placing the Magellan probe safely in its planned orbit around Venus. The map-making probe should start beaming back sharp radar images of Venus in about three weeks.

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#90223u0574 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

NEW YORK OAKLAND

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Kelly cf	4	0	1	0	Lansford 3b	4	1	3	0
Sax 2b	3	0	1	0	Randolph dh	5	1	1	0
Azocar lf	4	0	0	0	Canseco rf	4	0	0	0
Hall dh	4	0	0	0	DHendrsn cf	3	0	1	0
Maas 1b	3	0	1	0	Steinbach c	3	1	1	2
Barfield rf	1	0	0	0	McGwire 1b	2	0	0	0
Leyritz 3b	3	0	0	0	Jose lf	2	0	0	0
Dorsett c	2	0	0	0	Weiss ss	4	0	2	1
Nokes ph	1	0	0	0	Gallego 2b	2	0	0	0
Geren c	0	0	0	0					
Espinoza ss	2	0	0	0					
Balboni ph	1	0	0	0					
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DP-New York 3, Oakland 2. LOB- New York 4, Oakland 12. SB-Lansford (13).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
LaPoint (L 6-8)	4 1-3	6	3	3	5	3
Plunk	1	0	0	0	3	1
Robinson	2 2-3	2	0	0	0	1
Oakland						
Stewart (W 16-8)	8 2-3	3	0	0	3	8
Honeycutt (S 5)	1-3	0	0	0	0	1

HBP-by LaPoint (Steinbach), by Plunk (Jose). WP-Stewart. T-2:51. A- 44,400.

Umpires-Home, Denkinger; 1b, Shu- lock; 2b, McClelland; 3b, Merrill.

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MINNESOTA TORONTO

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Gladden lf	5	0	1	0	Felix cf	4	1	1	0
Liriano 2b	4	1	2	0	Fernandz ss	4	0	1	1
Puckett cf	5	1	2	1	Gruber 3b	4	1	1	0
Gaetti 3b	4	1	1	3	Bell lf	4	1	2	0
Harper c	4	1	1	0	McGriff 1b	4	0	1	2
Hrbek 1b	4	1	1	0	Borders c	4	0	0	0
Mack rf	4	1	2	3	Hill dh	3	0	0	0
Castillo dh	4	1	2	0	Whiten rf	3	0	0	0
Gagne ss	3	0	0	0	Lee 2b	2	0	0	0
Totals	37	7	12	7	Totals	32	3	6	3

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Toronto 200 010 000- 3

E-Gruber. DP-Minnesota 1. LOB- Minnesota 5, Toronto 3. 2B-McGriff, Harper, Felix, Liriano. HR-Mack (6), Gaetti (13). S-Gagne.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
West (W 6-7)	9	6	3	3	1	5
Toronto						
Cerutti (L 8-8)	6 1-3	8	4	4	1	1
Wills	1 2-3	3	3	3	0	1
Henke	1	1	0	0	0	0

T-2:22. A-49,888.

Umpires-Home, Young; 1b, Kaiser; 2b, Meriwether; 3b, McKean.

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#90223u0577 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - South African officials say 40 people were killed and scores wounded after four days of arson, rioting and looting. Authorities say police and army troops have restored order in the mixed-race suburbs of Port Elizabeth.

In Johannesburg, Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu says he's considering nominating both President de Klerk and Nelson Mandela for the Nobel Peace Prize. Tutu, as a Nobel laureate himself, has the right to nominate candidates for the prize.

Federal officials in Pennsylvania say a former aide to Attorney General Thornburgh was indicted yesterday on cocaine use and possession charges. A federal grand jury returned a four-count indictment against Henry Barr.

The American Red Cross says it's reorganizing its blood collection system to ensure people who get transfusions are safe from AIDS and other diseases. The announcement comes in the wake of a government investigation.

In California, a coroner's report says a lethal mixture of morphine and cocaine killed Grateful Dead keyboardist Brent Mydland. The 37-year-old Mydland was found dead July 26th in his suburban home outside San Francisco.

The Soviet news agency Tass says 17 people were killed and 15 injured in an explosion yesterday on a bus near the Nagorno-Karabakh region of Azerbaijan . The explosion has NOT been linked to ethnic strife that has

plagued the Soviet republic.

Police in Wetzlar, West Germany, say an unspecified number of explosives experts were killed Thursday night while trying to defuse a bomb from World War Two. The bomb was apparently dropped by U-S bombers.

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#90223u0612 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 11) UPI - Kuwaiti resistance fighters are mounting hit-and-run attacks on Iraqi troops in the occupied capital and Kuwaitis in general are not cooperating with the increasing numbers of Iraqi military and political officials, news reports said Saturday.

The Financial Times, a London-based newspaper, said in what it described as an eyewitness report of life in occupied Kuwait that Kuwaiti snipers occasionally harass Iraqi soldiers.

The Washington Post newspaper, in a similar report, said the sound of automatic weapons fire can be heard every night in the capital, even a week after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion.

Demonstrators - most of them women - have protested the occupation in city streets and posters condemning the invasion have been plastered on buildings across town, both newspapers said.

Anti-Iraqi radio broadcasts have been clandestinely aired over ''This is Kuwait'' radio, praising underground fighters and calling on Iraqi soldiers to surrender their weapons, the report said. It said the Kuwaiti flag still flies over the emir's damaged Dasman Palace.

A member of the Kuwaiti resistance told the Financial Times its fighters were trying to create confusion with their hit-and-run attacks.

Most of the deposed royal family and liberal opposition leaders were in hiding, and Kuwaitis were said to fear an American attack or an Iraqi retaliatory strike against Kuwait if Baghdad is attacked, the newspaper reported.

But many Kuwaitis were reported to have protested after Friday prayers and leaflets and pictures of the emir, the ousted Kuwaiti ruler, were distributed throughout the city center, the newspaper said.

The Washington Post reported Saturday that Kuwait appeared to be without any civil administration. It said Iraqi Baath Party officials were moving into one Kuwait City hotel, but there was no police protection.

The Financial Times said electricity and water service continued, but

Kuwaitis were burning garbage in the streets and had not returned to work. Electronics and jewelry shops have been plundered in the center of the city. Roads are littered with burned out armored cars and trucks and dozens of cars abandoned in the panic after the invasion, the paper said.

Banks have been closed and ration cards are being used in some areas. Some shops that have remained open have been required to accept Iraqi currency at a new rate of 1 to 1 for the Kuwaiti dinar. Before the invasion, one Kuwaiti dinar was worth 10 of the Iraqi currency.

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#90223u0631 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine (AUG. 11) UPI - President Bush said Saturday he believes the United States now has the authority to stop the movement of Iraqi ships and suggested he would like to see the overthrow of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Bush said the United States is not preparing to oust Saddam, but expressed hope the Iraqi people may rise up if their leader does not halt his violent ways.

Speaking with reporters on the steps of his seaside home after consultations with his top advisers, Bush also praised an Arab League resolution that condemned Iraq and opened the way for Arab troops to stand should-to-shoulder with U.S. soldiers against Saddam.

''We're not prepared to support the overthrow, but I hope (that the economic pressures and military buildup taken against Saddam) result in an Iraq that is prepared to live peacefully,'' Bush said.

Bush said, ''If this means that Saddam changes his spots, so be it. If not I hope the Iraqi people do something about it so that their leader lives by the norms of international behavior.''

Bush said he believes that some countries are hopeful that there will be an overthrow but refused to specficially say whether the United States is among them.

Bush said he believes the United States, backed up by numerous other nations, has the authority to impose a naval blockade of Iraq under U.N. sanctions approved last week.

Earlier in the day Bush telephoned Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak to congratulate him for rallying Arab nations against a defiant Iraq and for committing Egyptian troops to stand with American soldiers against Saddam.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said that no Iraqi oil is

moving through pipelines in Saudi Arabia or Turkey, and confirmed reports that 11 Americans have been permitted to leave Iraq and enter Jordan.

Bush, who began a three-week working vacation Friday, conferred at his seaside home Saturday with Secretaray of State James Baker, who met 24 hours earlier with NATO allies in Brussels, Belgium.

The Atlantic alliance Friday unanimously supported U.S. economic sanctions and military buildup against Iraq for Baghdad's Aug. 2 takeover of Kuwait.

Although NATO said it would not commit troops to the effort, individual member nations may do so. Many have already begun, including Britain, France and Canada.

Mubarak was host to a meeting of the Arab League in Cairo on Friday, during which it passed a resolution that condemned Iraqi aggression and provided a basis for individual Arab nations to commit forces to a multinational force.

Egypt said it was already sending troops. Morocco and Syria were reportedly poised to do so.

Fitzwater said Bush, in his predawn telephone call with the Egyptian leader, ''praised President Mubarak's constructive role in securing passage of the resolution to send Arab troops to participate in a multinational force.''

The press secretary said, ''The president said the Arab League action was very favorable and gives us significant optimism for the future of the mission.''

Fitzwater said Bush Saturday also telephoned Emir Isabin Salman al Khalifa of Bahrain ''to thank him for his efforts'' on behalf of the Arab resolution and planned to call Emir Khalifa bin Hamad al-Thani of Qatar.

''The United States welcomes the participation of so many countries in our joint efforts to fight aggression of Saddam Hussein,'' Fitzwater said.

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#90223u0643 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AUG. 11) UPI - Wayne Grady survived an early trip into the treacherous rough and parred the first two holes Saturday to maintain a one-shot lead over Larry Mize as the leaders began play in the third round of the PGA Championship.

Grady, who lost the British Open in a playoff last year to Mark Calcavecchia, opened the round at 5-under par and stayed there through two

holes. He hit his opening tee shot into the rough, knocked his second over the green into the rough again and still made par.

Mize was alone at 4-under through two holes after a pair of pars while Chip Beck, Fred Couples and defending champion Payne Stewart were both at 3-under. Beck started his round with two pars, Couples lost a shot at the first hole and Stewart was 2-under for the day through three holes.

Stewart is trying to become the first player since 1937 to successfully defend his PGA crown.

Ahead of the leaders, meanwhile, Greg Norman was 2-under for the day through six and even for the tournament. Gil Morgan was 1-under for the event going to the 18th tee, having played the first 17 holes in 6-under.

Nick Faldo, trying to become the second player in history to win three major professional tournaments in the same year, played the front nine in 4-over 40 and was 6-over for the tourney.

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#90223u0644 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - Egypt is sending thousands of troops to the Persian Gulf as part of an Arab peace-keeping force to block further Iraqi aggression. Egypt's move follows yesterday's Arab League decision to establish such a pan-Arab force. A Western diplomat in Cairo says ''several thousand'' Egyptian paratroopers are headed for the Gulf.

With several thousand American troops already in Saudi Arabia and more to come, the United States continues to talk tough to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. President Bush warns Saddam NOT to try to ship oil through the Persian Gulf and says he supports the Arab leaders' pledge to protect Saudi Arabia.

President Bush says he refuses to be ''held hostage in the White House'' by the Middle East crisis, and yesterday left for a 25-day vacation at his seaside home in Kennebunkport, Maine. The president says he will continue to monitor events in the Middle East and meet with his advisers while enjoying his vacation.

Lightning strikes are sparking new wildfires in the West, where fires already have burned more than 300-thousand acres. About 19-thousand firefighters have been called from across the country to battle the wildfires in California, Oregon, Utah and Idaho. At least 42 of the fires are considered ''major.''

A federal judge in Washington, D-C, set September 17th for a status hearing on Mayor Marion Barry's drug and perjury trial. At that time,

prosecutors will say whether they will re-try Barry on 12 charges that left a jury deadlocked. Barry was convicted yesterday of one drug possession charge and acquitted of another.

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#90223u0647 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

KARACHI, Pakistan (AUG. 11) UPI - Ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto announced Saturday she will petition the Supreme Court to declare unconstitutional President Ghulam Ishaq Khan's dismissal of her government.

Bhutto told a news conference the Central Committee of her Pakistan Peoples Party made the decision at a meeting Saturday, acting on the advice of a team of legal experts.

She said the petition would be presented within the next week.

Ishaq Khan sacked Bhutto's 20-month-old administration last Monday, accusing it of ''corruption and nepotism'' and of failing to control escalating ethnic violence. He then dissolved the National Assembly and declared a state of emergency.

The president scheduled elections for Oct. 24 and set up an interim government headed by opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi.

''We will pray the Supreme Court for an early decision and at the same time we will go with full force toward the general elections in October,'' the 37-year-old Bhutto said.

She has charged the army, which has ruled Pakistan for more then half of its 43-year existence, was behind the dismissal move.

She told the news conference the PPP Central Committee unanimously decided to file a writ in the Supreme Court against ''the illegal, unconstitutional and undemocratic action of the president.''

As president, Ishaq Khan has the right to dismiss the government if he believes it has failed to carry out its responsibilities to the nation. But some constitutional experts have said the president may have transcended his powers.

However, some PPP leaders have expressed fears that if they challenge the decision in the courts, the interim government could use their action as an excuse to postpone the elections.

Bhutto also told the news conference she would refuse to apear before any special tribunal set up by the caretaker government, as would any member of her party.

''I will only appear before the normal court of law and not the one chosen by handpicked persons. I am accountable only to the people of Pakistan and the Parliament''.

Jatoi has warned that his interim administration will investigate charges of corruption against PPP legislators and others and ''make them accountable.'' Official sources have said the government is planning to set up special ''speedy trial'' courts for those accused.

Bhutto became prime minister in December 1988 following the first democratic elections in Pakistan in 11 years.

In Islamabad, meanwhile, authorities arrested five Pakistani journalists as they left the home of an Indian diplomat, the newsmen said Saturday.

They said they were arrested late Friday and accused of drinking alcohol, charges they denied. They later were freed on bail.

All are due to appear at a preliminary hearing Aug. 31. Pakistan, as an Islamic nation, forbids the sale or consumption of alcohol. If found guilty, the journalists could receive a maximum sentence of three years imprisonment and a flogging.

Several newspapers have criticized Bhutto's dismissal as prime minister and some journalists interpreted the arrests as an attempt by the caretaker government to intimidate the press.

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#90223u0648 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - Nicaraguan government officials and Western diplomats say the Central American nation's economic recovery plan is NOT working. To avert another violent strike, high-level economic advisers are expected to meet with President Violeta Chamorro to discuss changes in the new monetary system.

Panamanian President Guillermo Endara says the United States has returned 15-thousand boxes of documents captured by U-S troops when they invaded Panama last December. Panamanian officials have accused the United States of obstructing the Panamanian justice system by refusing to turn over the documents.

NASA officials say the Magellan probe will be ready to map 90 percent of the planet Venus within a few weeks. The probe is orbiting Venus safely now and is almost ready to help scientists determine what caused the planet to become the 900-degree inferno it is today.

New York police say a father has been charged with killing his five-day-old son whose dismembered body was later eaten by the family's German sheperd dog. The father and the infant's mother originally told police the dog seized their son early yesterday morning while they slept.

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#90223u0656 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (UPI)- U.S. and Saudi officials said Saturday that the window of opportunity for an Iraqi conquest of Saudi Arabia's oil fields has been closed by the rapid international buildup of forces but the danger of war has not passed.

Saudi Ambassador Prince Bandar bin Sultan and other sources confirmed that Egyptian, Syrian, British, French, Moroccan, as well as American forces are already in Saudi Arabia, or will be within the next few hours.

That includes five squadrons of aircraft, made up of U.S. F-15s, A-10 ground attack planes, British Tornados and Jaguars, in addition to a residual force of 60 Saudi F-15s and a number of British Jaguars, as well as five American AWACS early warning and command planes.

Bandar confirmed that the entire Kuwaiti air force of 48 Mirage F-1s and A-4 Skyhawks is in Saudi Arabia and eluded capture by the invading Iraqis.

Bandar said that a deliberate Saudi decision was made to request air power first to meet the imminent threat of invasion by four Iraqi divisions stationed inside Kuwait, astride the only available invasion route into Saudi Arabia.

One diplomatic source said that if the Iraqis had moved before Wednesday, they would have been unstoppable. But, one official said, ''Saddam Hussein would have to be crazy to attack now.''

Bandar, talking to a small group of reporters, said that the unpredictability of the Iraqi president could not be eliminated as a factor in the equation. He said Saddam had given flat assurances to King Fahd of Saudi Arabia, President Bush, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and other world leaders he would not attack his neighbors.

Bandar said, ''If you had asked me one hour before the invasion of Kuwait what we would do in such a case, I would have laughed and said I wouldn't deal with such a ridiculous hypothetical question.''

Once the invasion was launched on Aug. 2, Fahd tried to reach Saddam to ask him his intentions, but was stalled for 36 hours and he was then assured that Iraq had no designs on Saudi Arabia.

But, by then U.S. and other intelligence had detected seven Iraqi divisions moving south, with four divisions massed just on the other side of the Saudi border in an area described by Bandar as ''a highway for tanks,'' a flat desert with nothing to stop an armored column moving south into Saudi Arabia's eastern province with its vast oil fields.

At that point, last Saturday, when it was clear that Saddam was trying to buy time to build up his forces, Bandar said Fahd called Bush and asked for help. On Sunday Bush made the decision to send U.S. airpower, guarded by ground units.

Bandar said the next phase of the situation may switch the requirement to tanks and anti-tank units, but the prompt arrival of air power has essentially closed the window of opportunity for Saddam.

But, he emphasized, that the military buildup in Saudi Arabia is strictly defensive and therefore does not provide any incentive for Iraq to withdraw its forces from Kuwait.

That will require a full-scale naval blockade of Iraqi shipping, both to stop any oil exports from Iraq to earn income, and any in-bound ships that might be carrying badly needed military spare parts or food.

One source estimated that Iraq has about 2 1/2 months of food supply available and then the food shortage will have political implications for Saddam and his design to become leader of one pan-Arabic nation.

But, the source warned, Saddam is insulated from the general population ''and his refrigerator will be full'' until the last day. But after that he will feel the pressure to pull back from Kuwait.

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KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine (AUG. 11) UPI - Eleven of the hundreds of Americans in Iraq and Kuwait, including a 10-year-old California girl who was traveling alone when the Persian Gulf crisis began, were allowed Saturday to leave Iraq and cross into Jordan, the U.S. government said.

Secretary of State James Baker said that negotiations were continuing with Iraq on the remaining Americans and that the U.S. government still does not regard them as hostages of the regime of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

''We are pleased to confirm that 11 Americans, including Penelope Nabokov, have been able to leave Iraq and cross the border into Jordan,'' White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said in a statement issued from Kennebunkport, where President Bush is vacationing.

''We do not have details on their departure, but it is encouraging that this group has been able to join other Americans in leaving Iraq and Kuwait,'' Fitzwater said.

Nabokov, a resident of Albany, Calif., had been among scores of Americans detained at the Rashid hotel in Baghdad until she was turned over to the U.S. Embassy on Wednesday by Iraqi authorities.

A State Department spokesman in Washington said the 10 Americans who left Iraq with Nabokov were all staff members and dependents from the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad.

The diplomats and their dependents had been turned back Friday in an attempt to leave Iraq, although they had been told by Iraqi officials they were free to leave.

Penelope, the daughter of Peter and Isabelle Nabokov, was taken off a British Airways jet when it landed in Kuwait as the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion was under way.

''My wife, Isabelle, and I are extremely happy, extremely gratified to have this ordeal over with,'' Peter Nabokov said in a prepared statement released from his California home.

Nabokov, an archaeologist, had said earlier his daughter had been visiting her grandparents in France and was flying to join her mother, a graduate student in anthropology who is at a dig in India.

A State Department official said Friday only about 1,600 Americans have been positively identified as being in Iraq and Kuwait and that it is hoped the original estimate of 3,000 is too high.

Some Americans have been able to get into Jordan from Iraq or into Saudi Arabia from Kuwait, according to the State Department, but a spokesman said many more Americans and other Westerners have been turned back at border posts.

Secretary of State James Baker, after briefing Bush in Kennebunkport Saturday on his consultations Friday with NATO allies in Brussels, told reporters that the United States was ''still discussing this matter with the government of Iraq.''

''We're hopeful that we'll be able to resolve the situations,'' Baker said. ''It does, after all, run against all international norms, the fact that American citizens, and other foreign nationals as well, are not permitted to leave Iraq or to leave Kuwait.

Baker said the U.S. government still did not consider Americans in Iraq or Kuwait to be hostages.

''Nothing has been demanded or asked in connection with permitting them to leave the country, for one thing,'' Baker said, ''and we think it would be a mistake to characterize it as a hostage situation, and to use a word like that since we are in discussions with respect to the matter. And, as far as we know, no American citizens have yet been mistreated.''

On Friday, the State Department issued a warning to all Americans, saying the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait may heighten the risk of terrorist attacks against U.S. citizens or installations.

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#90223u0683 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

SRINAGAR, India (AUG. 12) UPI - An Indian military unit, enraged by a militant ambush attack that wounded four soldiers, went on a rampage in a northern Kashmir Valley village overnight, killing at least 18 people, police sources said Saturday.

But a police official in Kashmir said he was unaware of the alleged killings of civilians in the village of Panzgam, 70 miles northwest of the state capital of Srinagar. He said 12 militants had been slain by the army during a shootout in the town.

In a separate incident, paramilitary troops torched 41 houses and shops Friday night in the village of Sri Gufwara south of Srinagar, said the sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

They said the killings in Panzgam occurred after Moslem separatists ambushed a military patrol outside the village, wounding four soldiers. The militants escaped after the shooting.

Authorities ordered a massive manhunt for the attackers following the ambush. Soldiers entered the nearby Panzgam village and launched a house-to-house search for the militants, the sources said.

Police sources said soldiers ordered the residents out of their homes during the search, angering a number of villagers who began to chant slogans against the Indian army.

Soldiers opened fire on the villagers, killing at least 18 people, the sources said.

J.N. Saksena, the police chief of the Jammu and Kashmir state, denied reports of civilian deaths, saying the military shot dead 12 militants during a gun battle.

''I have no information except that 12 militants were shot dead,'' the police official said.

The second incident occurred in Sri Gufwara, 30 miles south of Srinagar, when rebels of the Jammu and Kashmir Liberation Front, a Moslem militant group leading the separatist campaign, ambushed a two paramilitary vehicles, wounding two soldiers.

Angry paramilitary police launched a retaliatory attack against the village, setting ablaze 41 houses and shops, the police sources and witnesses said.

A spokesman for the Jammu and Kashmir Liberation Front claimed 10 soldiers were killed in the ambush.

''We know that a fire has taken place. We can't say who is responsible for this and an inquiry has been instituted,'' said a senior state government official when asked about the incident.

Secessionist violence has become a daily occurrence in the Moslem-dominated Kashmir region since mid-January, when a 2-year-old secessionist movement flared into a popular uprising against Indian rule.

Since then more than 700 people have been killed in the violence, and tensions have risen between India and neighboring Pakistan.

Both nations claim sovereignty over Kashmir, with India occupying two-thirds of the region and Pakistan in control of the remainder.

India and Pakistan have fought three wars in the disputed region, and New Delhi accuses Islamabad of inflaming the situation in the Kashmir Valley by arming and training the Moslem militants.

Islamabad denies the accusations but acknowledges moral support for the secessionist movement.

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#90223u0704 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - A federal prosecutor in New York says the wife of a key witness in a mob trial discovered a bomb in her car this week. Officials said yesterday that Peter Gotti, the older brother of reputed Gambino crime family chieftain John Gotti... was behind the Wednesday attempt to bomb the estranged wife of witness Peter Savino. Gotti has been free on one-Million dollars' bail.

Former President Ronald Reagan says that he would have liked to run for a

third term, which is barred by the 22nd Amendment to the Constitution. The 79-year-old Reagan says the amendment infringes on the right of the people to vote... quoting here... ''for whomever they want and for as many times as they want.''

In South Africa, the African National Congress is trying to control the reaction to an inflammatory statement by the wife of Nelson Mandela . Winnie Mandela said in a speech that the agreement in which the A-N-C suspended its nearly 30-year-old armed struggle against white rule did ''NOT mean a cessation of violence.'' Senior A-N-C leaders say she misinterpreted the issues.

Authorities in New York have charged a 19-year-old father with killing his five-day-old son... whose dismembered body was later eaten by the family's German shepherd dog. Police say Anthony Radtke and the child's 19-year-old mother, Linda Boyce, originally told police the dog seized the child from his crib and ate him while they slept. An autopsy showed that the infant was already dead.

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#90223u0715 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 11) UPI - U.S. and Saudi officials said Saturday they believe that the international show of solidarity against Iraq and the rapid buildup of a military forces in Saudi Arabia have deterred an invasion of Saudi Arabia.

But the officials said that a full-press naval blockade to enforce the United Nations and Arab League economic sanctions will be required to force Saddam Hussein to pull his seven armored divisions out of Kuwait and to restore Kuwaiti sovereignty.

The strategy appeared to rule out the possibility of a military attack by the multi-national force or the Saudis against the Iraqis.

As the officials described it, the economic sanctions remain the foundation of the international consensus to stop Iraq. The necessary short-term deterrence against an Iraqi invasion of Saudi Arabia was provided by a rapid international buildup of air power inside Saudi Arabia and aboard aircraft carriers near the Persian Gulf.

But, the officials said, something more will be required to give Saddam an incentive to pull his forces back and to restore Kuwaiti sovereignty. That will have to be a naval blockade.

The officials said that Iraq's pipelines to the outside world - its main source of needed revenue - have now been shut down by Turkey and Saudi Arabia, in accordance with the mandatory economic sanctions ordered by the

United Nations, and backed by a majority in the Arab League.

The next step will be a total ban on Iraqi ships, or ships loaded in Iraq, from moving through the Straits of Hormuz.

The Saudi ambassador to the United States, Prince Bandar bin Sultan, said, ''We are not talking about Germany here, with an economy that could survive ten years with a blockade. This is an economy that has been ruined by eight years of war and misrule and is bad to begin with.''

Bandar said, ''You can't have 1 million men under arms without imports. They have to import everything, from spare parts to wheat. We don't think that the invasion was planned out beforehand, and this means that they did not have the necessary stockpiles before they moved into Kuwait.''

Another diplomatic official estimated that Iraq has between two and three months supply of food on hand, with essentially no domestic agricultural industry left to supply the population with food.

But the official warned that the dictatorial Saddam, insulated from the hardships his population might feel by aides who justifiably fear his anger, will be the last to learn that there is an emergency.

President Bush has hinted, in remarks to reporters traveling with him to Maine, that the United States is prepared to move to the next step of a nval blockade, in order to bring pressure on Saddam to pull back from Kuwait.

U.S. and Saudi officials have just begun discussions on how to pay for the expenses of creating an instantaneous military force to guard against further Iraqi agression.

One suggestion, put forward by U.S. officials, is that Saudi Arabia pay the fuel bill for U.S. ships and planes.

One diplomatic source said that Saudi Arabia is inclined to agree. But the Saudis are also anxious to avoid giving the impression that the Americans, and other foreign members of the multinational force, are in Saudi Arabia as mercenaries.

The Saudis and other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries have also begun discussions on how to make up the estimated 4 million barrels of day of oil that will be lost to world markets by the blockade of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil exports.

Saudi sources that it is inclined to go along with requests for increased production in order to keep prices down but it will also be keeping a close eye on oil companies to make sure that they do not make speculative

profits from the current shortage by selling oil, that they bought at $17 a barrel for $21 a barrel because of the gulf crisis.

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YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, Calif. (AUG. 11) UPI - Two wildfires that scorched over 18,000 acres west of Yosemite Valley spread at a slower rate Saturday as bulldozers built protective lines around a historic grove of giant sequoia trees.

''As long as the winds stay down, we're in pretty good shape,'' said Allison Anzalone, a spokeswoman for the fire bosses. ''The fires have slowed down quite a bit. It's not a big raging flame, like it was earlier.''

Yosemite Valley, a part of the 761,000-acre Yosemite National Park, remained a virtual ghost town following the Friday evacuation of nearly 15,000 visitors. Phone lines into Yosemite have melted in the fires and only cellular phones kept valley rangers and employees linked to the outside world.

The closure of the park Friday fouled travel plans for thousands of tourists from around the world. At least two weddings planned for the valley were canceled.

Fire officials would not estimate when the park, which features groves of sequoias thousands of years old, would be reopened or when the lightning-caused blazes brought under control. Dozens of small lightning strikes burned unattended in the park's high country because of a shortage of firefighters.

Campground and valley hotel refugees who left personal belongings behind were told they could pick them up Saturday at the park's western entrances. Nearby mountain communities flooded with the evacuees reported temporary shortages of gasoline and groceries.

The bigger of the two fires, the so-called ''A-Rock Fire'', was burning in a northeasterly direction and had blackened 13,000 acres along the Merced River Canyon by Saturday morning. Farther south, across the canyon, the Steamboat fire had burned over 5,000 acres.

Bulldozers were used to establish protective lines around the Crane Flat Campground and gas station and the Merced grove of sequoias.

Anzalone said sequoias are naturally fire-resistant, but drought conditions coupled with high winds could damage some of the world's largest trees if the fire jumped the protective line.

The A-Rock fire swept through the Merced River Canyon resort community of Foresta on Thursday. Anzalone said the fire had destroyed 74 cabins and other structures in the village along with 14 vehicles. Only six buildings remained standing.

There were 1,000 firefighters on the lines late Friday with plans to import 1,000 more during the weekend from several Western states.

''Lack of people is our biggest problem,'' U.S. Forest Service spokeswoman Sue Exline said.

Exline said an inversion layer holding the smoke close to the ground continued to hamper air tankers although some flights were made Saturday morning.

The two big fires, about 3 miles apart, were burning easterly or northeasterly toward Yosemite Valley, but officials said the famed valley is in no immediate danger.

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(AUG. 11) UPI - Egypt today sent several thousand troops to the troubled Persian Gulf area... the advance guard for a pan-Arab peace-keeping force to block an Iraqi invasion of Saudi Arabia. The Arab League decision to send a multi-national Arab force to the region and enforce U-N sanctions against Iraq produced heated rhetoric in Iraqi media. Baghdad Radio today referred to the Arab League as ''evil-doers'' acting at the behest of what it called ''their master America.''

Egyptian officials declined to provide force levels or destinations, but a Western diplomat in Cairo said ''several thousand'' Egyptian paratroopers were heading to Saudi Arabia. Morocco and Syria also are reported preparing to send troops for the pan-Arab force.

The State Department reported in Washington that at least 11 Americans- including a 10-year-old California girl traveling the world alone- were allowed to leave Iraq and crossed into Jordan today. A spokesman says the 11 are either in Customs or had already headed for the Jordanian capital after passing through customs. 10 of those who crossed the border are staffers and dependants from the U-S Embassy in Baghdad. The other is 10-year-old Penelope Nabokov of Albany, California. She was among scores of Americans detained at a Baghdad hotel until she was turned over to the U-S Embassy by Iraqi authorities on Wednesday.

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#90223u0805 08/11/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 11) UPI - Chinese Premier Li Peng is meeting with Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew of Singapore, in a visit designed to accelerate ties with the island nation. Li is the first Chinese leader to visit Singapore in almost a decade and said he hopes to ''deepen understanding and co-operation.'' Li is in Singapore shortly after restoring diplomatic ties with Indonesia.

Firefighters are being taxes to the maximum by hundreds of wildfires that already have blackened more than 300-thousand acres in the West. Seven Western states are affected by the fires... many of which were lit by lightning. California, Idaho, Utah and Oregon are the hardest hit states, as some 19-thousand firefighters were deployed along lines in the region.

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#90223u0846 08/11/1990 ~United Press International
GROTON, Conn. (AUG. 11) UPI - The submarine USS Kentucky was christened Saturday with a bottle of bourbon instead of the traditional champagne as peace activists denounced the missile-firing boat as ''a floating anachronism.''

About 70 people protested outside the Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics, where Navy brass and dignitaries from Kentucky gathered under steady rain for the christening of the Trident submarine.

Ten people were arrested on minor charges during the peaceful demonstration for attempting to block entrances to the sprawling Thames River shipyard, police said. All were released by mid-afternoon.

''At this time, when war in the Mideast is so imminent, the group gathered to remind those of Connecticut and the United States of the danger of nuclear war that we still face,'' said Stephen Kobasa of the group Witness for Disarmament.

''We say the Cold War is over, but we go on building the weapons,'' Kobasa said of the Kentucky, which will be equipped to carry 24 Trident II nuclear missiles.

The group Greenpeace Action mocked a decision to have a bottle of Kentucky bourbon smashed across the bow instead of the traditional bottle of French champagne.

''The Navy should sober up. Instead of kicking the habit, they are going for the hard stuff,'' said Carol Bellin, who is active in the Greenpeace Action Nuclear Free Seas campaign.

''The Trident system was sold to Congress in the late 60's and 1970's as a product of the Cold War. It's already obsolete, it's a floating

anachronism,'' Bellin said.

The Kentucky is the first submarine and third naval ship to carry the name. The first Kentucky was a confederate transport captured by the Union Navy in 1862.

The second Kentucky was an early battleship that also was used during World War I for training. Construction of an Iowa-class battleship that would have carried the name was stopped in 1947 before the ship was commissioned.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 11) UPI - President Bush's call for a multinational military force to protect Saudi Arabia from a possible Iraqi attack had by Saturday produced concrete responses from a number of countries, including Britain, Egypt, Australia, France, Canada and Germany. The Soviet Union also had forces in the region the Kremlin said it would consider contributing. Italy will decide in a few days whether to send military units.

Here is a summary of the forces committed to the region, en route or offered under various circumstances.

United States

U.S. sources say the total U.S. ground force in Saudi Arabia for ''Operation Desert Shield'' could soon reach 50,000. The Washington Post reported Saturday 200,000 American troops could be deployed by this fall.

Nine cruisers and frigates comprising the Navy's Joint Task Force-Middle East were in the Persian Gulf. The 80-plane aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower was in the Red Sea leading a battle group that includes at least three other warships and two supply vessels. A second battle group led by the the carrier USS Independence was in the Northern Arabian Sea, accompanied by four other warships and two supply ships. The carrier USS Saratoga was en route to the Mediterranean with a third battle group made up of at least eight warships and a number of supply ships.

The United States is sending 48 F-16 fighter jets and about 2,300 troops from the 24th Infantry Division with artillery, armored vehicles and attack helicopters to Saudi Arabia.

In addition, the Navy is sending to the Persian Gulf region its two large hospital ships - the USNS Mercy from Oakland, Calif., and the USNS Comfort from Baltimore - each with 1,000 beds and facilities to treat victims of poison gas.

About 4,000 Marines from the 7th Marine Amphibious Brigade at Twentynine Palms, Calif., were preparing to ship out to Saudi Arabia.

U.S. forces currently in Saudi Arabia include about 2,300 U.S. troops of the 82nd Airborne Division from Fort Bragg, N.C., 48 Air Force F-15 Eagle fighter jets from Langley Air Force Base, Va., and five AWACS early-warning radar planes.

The Pentagon said Air Force F-16 ''Fighting Falcon'' fighters from Shaw Air Force Base, S.C., and C-130 transport aircraft from Pope Air Force Base, N.C., are now arriving in Saudi Arabia.

Defense sources said there were two squadrons of F-16s, a total of 48 jets.

''Elements of the 24th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Stewart, Ga., are moving ... to the port of Savannah, where they will begin loading aboard the U.S. Navy fast-sealift ship, USNS Capella, for deployment to Saudi Arabia,'' the Pentagon said.

Defense sources said a brigade - about 2,300 troops - were being sent along with artillery, armored vehicles and and tank-killing attack helicopters.

When these F-16s and infantrymen arrive, the United States will have nearly 100 jet fighters on the ground in Saudi Arabia - along with another 160 fighter and attack jets on two nearby aircraft carriers - and a total of about 5,000 ground troops, not counting the 4,000 Marines preparing to go.

Others expected to be sent include members of the Army's 101 Airborne Division from Fort Campbell, Ky., and the 1st Marine Amphibious Brigade based on Okinawa.

Combat-ready units from Fort Bliss, Texas, trained in desert warfare, may be deployed to the Middle East, spokeswomen for the Army base said Friday.

At Camp Pendleton, Calif., Marine officials declined comment on troop movements. But the California Highway Patrol said that large numbers of trucks entering the base backed up morning commuters on I-5 in northern San Diego County.

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#90223u0870 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - Secretary of State Baker is headed to Kennebunkport, Maine, to update President Bush on the Persian Gulf crisis and his meeting with NATO allies in Belgium. Baker is expected to arrive at the Bush summer home at noon, E-D-T... accompanied by national security adviser

Brent Scowcroft.

In the Middle East, several thousand Egyptian troops are headed to the Persian Gulf area, with Morocco and Syria also reportedly preparing to send troops. Egypt's move to immediately make good on an Arab League decision yesterday to form a pan-Arab force emphasizes a growing rift among Arabs.

The National Weather Service says that what once was a tropical storm is now just a tropical depression... and it is expected to dissipate. At last report, former Tropical Storm Edourad was about 250 miles east-northeast of the island of Terceira in the Azores. The system was moving east at about 12 miles an hour.

Federal and state health officials are looking for a field of contaminated tomatoes following an outbreak of salmonella- or food poisoning- in four Midwest states. Doctors treated more than 100 cases of salmonella in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois and Michigan last week. NO one died in the outbreak, but 14 people remain hospitalized in Minnesota.

A New York jury is into a third day of deliberations in the trial of three youths charged with attempted murder and rape in a brutal attack on a jogger in Central Park. The jury yesterday asked the judge in the case for an explantion of assault and riot charges- two of 13 charges being considered.

New York police today charged a Queens father with killing his five-day-old son. The infant's parents orginally told police that their dog had seized the baby from his crib and eaten him while they slept. But the city's medical examiner determined that the child was already dead when eaten by the family's German shepherd.

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#90223u0878 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 12) UPI - Five young men were sentenced Saturday to life in prison for the death last summer of a 17-year-old boy in a racially motivated attack.

The Common Pleas Court jury deliberated less than two hours before sentencing Juan Gonzales, 18, James Sanders, 21, James Martinez, 18, Rafael Droz, 20, and Alexis Rodriguez, 20. All are residents of Philadelphia.

The panel began its deliberations about 11:30 a.m. Saturday. The jury Wednesday convicted the five of first-degree murder in the May 1989 killing of Sean Daily, the white son of a Philadelphia police officer.

Family members of the defendants, all of whom are Hispanic, reacted emotionally as the life sentences were read by the jury foreman in the packed sixth-floor courtroom.

One woman screamed and ran down the hallway, and another woman fainted. The mothers of all defendants had made passionate appeals for mercy earlier in the proceedings.

After the sentences were announced, members of the Puerto Rican Justice Defense Coalition blocked the hallway so reporters and photographers could not talk to or take pictures of family members or others involved in the case.

Outside City Hall, protestors chanted ''No justice, no peace'' and ''Defendants don't worry. The community is with you.'' as the defendants were led into a van for the trip to Holmesburg Prison.

Protestors, who have been outside City Hall almost every day of the eight-week trial, also called the news media and Judge Lynne Abraham ''racists.''

The judge had placed a gag order on everyone involved in the case. The order expired when the verdicts were announced.

Defense attorneys vowed to appeal the verdicts.

''There are many issues including the judge's decision not to sever the case that could be grounds for appeal,'' said attorney Joseph Armenti.

Prosecutors had asked for the death penalty because of the savagery of the attack on Daily, who was beaten with baseball bats and then shot to death.

The attack was in response to an attack one week earlier by a group of whites against Droz, the leader of the attack on Daily.

Testimony in the case indicated that the five went to the city's Port Richmond section from their neighborhood to exact revenge. Daily, who was not involved in the earlier fight, was attacked as he and friends sat outside drinking beer.

The trial has sparked protests throughout the city's Hispanic community, and concerns over tensions generated by the trial have led to unprecedented courthouse security.

Nearly 40 deputy sheriffs and a large contingent of city police officers were on hand when the verdict was read.

Two other men - Bezaliel Hernandez and Edwin Desamour, both 18 - were

convicted of third-degree murder and will be sentenced at a later date.

Three other youths involved in the attack - Mark Rivera, Daniel Sanchez and Aidan Soto - pleaded guilty to third-degree murder before the trial began and testified for the prosecution.

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#90223u0922 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 12) UPI - Mayor Marion Barry asked city residents Saturday for forgiveness ''for any hurt I may have caused,'' a day after his conviction on one of the 14 cocaine and perjury counts against him.

But in his first public statement since the abrupt end to his 10-week trial, Barry also asked the U.S. Attorney's office to ''examine its conduct'' after the case ended with a hung jury on 12 of the counts and acquittal on another.

U.S. Attorney Jay Stephens said he will announce at a Sept. 17 court hearing whether Barry will be retried, but the mayor called on Stephens to let the jury's ruling ''be our last judgment.''

''Just as I've examined my conduct and changed my outlook, the United States government must examine its conduct ... must realize we are a democracy,'' Barry said. ''American citizens should not have to walk around in fear that their constitutional rights and civil liberties are being eroded and trampled, and Big Brother is all powerful and all knowing.''

Barry admitted the trial had exposed ''deep divisions and racism in our community,'' but called on residents of Washington to unite.

''I ask all of you, young or old, black or white, Jew or gentile, rich or poor ... I ask you to forgive me for any hurt I may have caused,'' Barry said in his most apologetic public statement since his Jan. 18 arrest as part of an FBI sting operation.

''I hope that any of you who feel or harbor resentment and vengeance can let go. Let go of the past, let go of the hate,'' Barry said. ''I'm praying that my strongest supporters can join hands with my strongest detractors and lay our burdens down.''

Barry, who announced two months ago he would not seek a fourth term in office, did not discuss his political plans. He has until midnight Monday to switch parties were he to run as an independent candidate for mayor or for an at-large seat on the City Council in the Nov. 6 general election. The date for filing as a Democrat has passed.

Barry's attorney, R. Kenneth Mundy, warned Stephens: ''We stand ... ready to release the dove of peace, or if necessary to rearm our arsenal of war.

''I would ask the government to be measured and careful in its thought about whether it wants to inflict further upon this community a retrial or regurgitation of all that we've been through,'' Mundy said.

In beginning his speech to several hundred supporters, Barry touched on a religious theme, saying: ''Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see.'' The crowd gave him a two-minute standing ovation.

In a moving 15-minute speech at which he talked often of God, Barry also referred to repeated testimony in the trial of his extramarital affairs, and cried while thanking his wife, Effi.

''I was behaving in a way that was not in keeping with the vows I had made to my wife, not in keeping with the way God expected me to be. ... I've asked my wife for forgiveness, and she has granted it. Thank you, Effi, so much,'' Barry said, biting his lower lip as he cried.

Barry was convicted Friday on one misdemeanor cocaine possession count and acquitted of another by a federal jury that declared itself hopelessly deadlocked on 12 other drug and perjury charges. U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson declared a mistrial on the 12 counts.

With the conviction on the single count, Barry faces a maximum sentence of one year in prison and a $100,000 fine. But as a first-time offender in the eyes of the court, Barry is not expected to receive a prison sentence.

Under city law, he would be precluded from holding office only if jailed after a felony conviction.

Had he been convicted of all charges, Barry could have been sentenced to 26 years in prison and fined $1.85 million.

Outside court Friday, Stephens defended the government's probe of Barry's ''six-year pattern of drug and cocaine abuse.''

Ten government witnesses during the trial testified Barry used cocaine or obtained the drug dating back to 1983, and an FBI videotape of the Jan. 18 sting showed Barry taking two long puffs of crack cocaine.

Mundy argued that the most damaging witnesses were compromised by plea agreements or grants of immunity, and said the government entrapped Barry.

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CAIRO, Egypt (AUG. 12) UPI - Iraq's invasion of Kuwait has ripped open several Arab alliances, placing Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak at the head of separate camps competing for influence in the Arab world.

Mubarak's strongest partner in his efforts to stifle Saddam is Syrian President Hafez Assad, whose relations with Egypt until last year were in disrepair because of Damascus's opposition to the Camp David peace accord with Israel.

At the same time, however, Iraq has since the invasion of Kuwait started making overtures to Syria, its longstanding ideological foe.

In the first official visit to Damascus by a high-level Iraqi official since the two countries broke relations in 1980, the Iraqi oil minister discussed the possibility of opening an unused pipeline through Syria to counter the shutdown of Iraq's oil flow across Saudi Arabia and Turkey.

Jordan's King Hussein is faced with trouble each way he turns. Iraq and Jordan have strengthened their alliance in the recent year, prompting Israel to warn against any closer military cooperation or placement of Iraqi troops on Jordanian soil.

But the Jordanian monarch cannot ignore the rising prominence of Moslem fundamentalists and the growing Palestinian population in his country. Since the U.S. deployment of troops in Saudi Arabia, Jordan has been a focal point for fierce pro-Iraqi demonstrations and strong calls for Hussein not to backtrack on support for Saddam.

Despite his political longevity and skill for survival - the king marked his 38th year on the throne Saturday - Hussein faces a tough test as Jordanians and Palestinians view Saddam as a national hero and defender of the Arab nation.

One longstanding alliance, that includes Egypt, Iraq, Jordan and Yemen and is know as the Arab Cooperation Council, perhaps may never regain its footing.

While Yemen abstained from the Arab League's call for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and a pan-Arab force, hundreds of pro-Iraqi demonstrators broke into the Saudi Arabian Embassy in Yemen Saturday and tried to storm the American and Egyptian missions.

Another alliance shaken by the Iraqi invasion was the Gulf Cooperation Council of Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Qatar, Oman and the United Arab Emirates, which lacked the backbone and military might to make good on its pledge to defend any council member under attack.

Despite its non-aggression treaty with Iraq, Saudi Arabia's fears that it was next on Saddam's hit list allowed the introduction of U.S. forces onto Saudi soil.

In his escalating war of words against the West and his Gulf state neighbors, Saddam incited Arabs to rise up against ''corrupt'' leaders he described as the servants of America.

Saddam's only outright supporters at the emergency Arab summit were Libya and the Palestine Liberation Organization, echoing the Iraqi call to toss out U.S. and foreign forces in the Persian Gulf.

PLO chief Yasser Arafat's estrangement from Cairo has been developing over the last few months, with Egyptian newspapers criticizing Arafat despite Mubarak's efforts at trying to bring about Israeli-Palestinian talks.

A wild card in the Middle East is non-Arab Iran, Iraq's tough enemy in its eight-year war.

Iran has not sided specifically either with its old foe or Egypt in the new crisis, but is attempting to sound moderate in both calling for a withdrawal of Iraqi force while opposing foreign intervention.

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#90223u0982 08/11/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (AUG. 12) UPI - Dozens of British citizens have escaped from Kuwait despite Iraqi's closure of the border, the Foreign Office said Saturday.

At least 45 Britons, including several children, made their way across the desert to Saudi Arabia in several convoys Friday, a spokesman said.

The government said it was still continuing to advise its estimated 4,000 citizens in occupied Kuwait not to attempt to leave because the journey is not safe.

The British Broadcasting Corp. reported that 500 cars were waiting at the Kuwaiti-Saudi Arabian border and occasionally some were allowed to leave.

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#90223u0999 08/11/1990 ~United Press International
ATHENS, Greece (AUG. 12) UPI - A former Socialist minister found guilty of attempting to defraud the European Community was sentenced by a special court Saturday to 3 1/2 years in prison.

Five officials tried with him also received prison sentences.

Ikos Athanassopnoulos, who was alternate finance minister in the Cabinet of former Socialist Minister Andreas Papandreou, was found guilty of covering up the sale of Yugoslav corn to the EC by a state trading company passing it off as Greek.

He was sentenced to 3 1/2 years in prison, while four other former officials were sentenced to terms ranging from 10 to 18 months.

The case was the first to be handled by a special court set up last year to try former ministers of Papandreou's government accused of involvement in several scandals.

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#90223u1005 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - The lines drawn in the Persian Gulf are being backed up by a growing number of troops. French, Australian, German and Soviet military vessels are taking up positions in and near the Arabian peninsula... where U-S troops and military machines are already stationed. Arab nations are forming a force of their own... with Egypt sending thousands of troops to guard against possible Iraqi advances into Saudia Arabia, and Morocco and Syria are expected to follow suit.

A backlash against Saudi Arabia and the Egyptian and U-S actions against Iraq is gathering steam. In Yemen today, about one-thousand demonstrators broke into the Saudi Embassy while others tried to storm the U-S and Egyptian missions. A Western diplomat says the skirmishes involved ''a rent-a-crowd mob, mostly of unemployed youths'' and caused minor damage and injuries. But the diplomat warns that the demonstrations are getting ''larger and more violent.''

President Bush is on vacation, but he is NOT taking a complete break from the crisis in the Persian Gulf. Bush is talking this afternoon with Secretary of State Baker and national security adviser Brent Scowcroft at his summer home in Kennebunkport, Maine. Bush yesterday dismissed as ''radical rhetoric'' Iraq's threat of a ''holy war'' against the United States in the Middle East.

The Philippine military said today that communist rebels shot and killed seven soldiers in an ambush in the southern Philippines. Six other soldiers were injured in yesterday's two-hour firefight in a remote area 500 miles south of Manila. The Philippine military also reports that 22 others were killed in scattered insurgency-related incidents across the nation.

Researchers say most of the Americans they surveyed feel compassion for the nation's homeless... and would be willing be pay more taxes to help

them. However, the researchers at the State University of New York in Buffalo say there is wide disagreement over who should be responsible for street people. The poll involved more than 13-hundred people nation-wide.

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#90223u1121 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - Ousted Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto says she plans to ask the nation's highest court to find her abrupt dismissal unconstitutional. Bhutto says a team of lawyers advised her to seek a judicial review to protest the president's claim that her administration was corrupt.

West German's Free Democratic Party merged with three centrist East German parties today, forming the first all-German political party in advance of all-German elections on December 2nd. The new party... now called the F-D-P Liberals... voted at a special congress in Hanover to ''fill German unity with a liberal spirit.''

China's state-run newspaper today urged Beijing residents to take part in cleaning up the city for next month's Asian Games by getting rid of their dogs- permanently. The Beijing Daily criticized dog owners for ''disturbing social order'' and advised them to- quote- ''beat and eliminate'' their pets.

An Atlanta newspaper says Actor Rob Lowe has reached an out-of-court settlement in a lawsuit stemming from his alleged seduction of a 16-year-old girl. The suit was filed by the mother of the teen-ager. A court order prevents either side from discussing terms of the settlement.

Country singer Willie Nelson will hold a benefit concert on August 27th to rebuild fire-damaged Carl's Corner Truck Stop... which is an incorporated town of 230 people in the state of Texas. The truck stop, located on Interstate 35 near Waxahachie, is just ''down the road'' from Nelson's home town of Abbott.

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#90223u1142 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

QUITO, Ecuador (AUG. 12) UPI - At least six people were killed in an earthquake that struck the capital and neighboring cities, officials said Saturday.

The quake had an intensity of 6 on the Mercalli scale in the town of Pomasqui, 12 miles north of the capital. In Quito, the intensity was put at 5 on the Mercalli scale by the Geophysical Institute.

The Mercalli scale, as opposed to the better known Richter scale, runs

from 1 to 12 and gauges the intensity of an earthquake at a specific location.

The quake struck about 8 p.m. Friday and lasted 25 to 30 seconds.

A Fire Department spokesman said from Pomasqui, a city of 10,000 people, the bodies of six people were recovered from under the ruins of homes.

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#90223u1183 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 12) UPI - Moslems in the Middle East took to the streets Saturday a day after Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein appealed for a popular uprising against pro-Western Arab leaders and a holy war against U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia.

Pro-Iraqi demonstrations, which had occurred for days in Jordan, spread to Yemen, Libya, Algeria and the Israeli-occupied territories. An estimated 5,000 people turned out again in Jordan in support of Saddam and against the Egyptian and Saudi leadership for cooperating with the United States.

There were no immediate reports of demonstrations supporting Iraq outside the Middle East region. A leader of the 40,000-strong Arab community in Venezuela said Moslems in that oil-producing Latin American nation vowed there would be no violence ''against anyone.''

In a direct call to the Moslem masses, Saddam Friday urged Arabs to revolt against rulers ''who do not know sense of honor'' and rise up in a jihad, or holy war, against the Western presence in Saudi Arabia, site of Islam's holiest shrines.

By issuing the impassioned appeal, Saddam went over the heads of Arab leaders who were struggling to find a diplomatic way to end the Persian Gulf crisis, triggered by Iraq's conquest of its neighbor Kuwait.

Hours after Saddam's appeal, the Arab League agreed to create an Arab military force to defend the region against Iraq. Egypt sent its troops into Saudi Arabia Saturday as other Arab armies prepared for deployment alongside U.S. forces to defend the kingdom against a possible Iraqi invasion.

''One cannot play with fire,'' a French Islamic leader, Hadj Halili, said in a French radio interview. ''There is a non-Moslem foreign power in the holy land. It's a site that must remain holy and pure.''

Pro-Iraqi demonstrators Saturday broke into the Saudi Embassy in Yemen and tried to storm the U.S. and Egyptian missions, causing minor damage and injuries in skirmishes with security personnel, a diplomat said.

The diplomat said the worst clashes occurred at the Saudi mission, where about 1,000 youths chanting statements of support for Saddam, tried to break into the compound.

Some participants succeeded and climbed over walls into the mission to attack vehicles and damage property, before baton-wielding Yemeni security personnel overpowered the group.

About 400 demonstrators also marched on the U.S. Embassy in Yemen where they hurled rocks, breaking one window, before being dispersed, the diplomat said, reporting a similar protest occurred outside the Egyptian embassy.

The U.S. State Department confirmed there were demonstrations at the U.S. Embassy and ''in other places'' in Yemen, although it was not certain they occurred at the Saudi Embassy. A spokeswoman said there were approximately 500-600 demonstrators'' and Yemenese security forces did disperse them.''

Signs of popular support for the Iraqi leader and his defiant stand against the United States grew in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

In Nablus, the largest West Bank city, several hundred Palestinians shouting pro-Iraqi and anti-American slogans held two marches, while in Gaza City Arab youths burned tires and shouted, ''Saddam, Saddam, attack and end imperialism in the Middle East.''

Graffiti praising Iraq and denouncing the United States appeared overnight on walls along with a few pictures of Saddam.

Since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, support for Saddam has grown among Palestinians who view him as a strong Arab leader capable of standing up to the Western powers and united the Arab world.

The Libyan news agency JANA said Arab residents in Libya marched in Tripoli to protest U.N.-endorsed sanctions against Iraq and to denounce foreign intervention in the region.

The demonstrators delivered a statement to the U.N. mission in Tripoli, announcing their ''readiness to die and to confront the U.S. and Zionist intervention,'' the news agency said.

Libya and the PLO are the only two Arab League members siding with Iraq in the crisis.

Demonstrations involving about 5,000 people in support of Saddam were reported in Jordan Saturday with particularly strong turnouts at Palestinian refugee camps.

Rejecting the outcome of the Arab League summit, the demonstrators carrying posters of Saddam assailed Saudi King Fahd and Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak as ''traitors'' and echoed the Iraqi leader's call to fight against ''imperialism in the region.''

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#90223u1369 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - There are reports that resistance forces in Kuwait refuse to back down to the Iraqi military. Reports in British and U-S newspapers say gunfire is heard in the capital of the emirate each night as Kuwaiti snipers and resistance groups stage hit-and-run attacks on the Iraqi soldiers.

A magazine poll of 770 people indicates that a majority of Americans favor waging war on Iraq under certain conditions. More than half of the respondents favored going to war if Baghdad tries to invade Saudi Arabia... holds hostages... kills U-S citizens in the Middle East... or cuts off world oil supplies.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry today admitted his cocaine and perjury trial racially polarized the city... and asked blacks and whites to try to set aside their differences. In his first public statement since a jury yesterday found him guilty of only one possession charge, Barry apologized to his constituents and asked for forgiveness.

Fire officials say protective lines around two wildfires burning back-to-back in California's Yosemite Park appear to be slowing the spread of the flames. The blazes have already scorched some 18-thousand acres of the park and threaten a historic grove if giant sequoia trees.

Police in India say a military unit... enraged by a rebel ambush in which four soldiers were hurt... went on a rampage in a northern Kashmir Valley village overnight and killed at least 18 civilians. The soldiers ordered the villagers from their homes while searching for the militants and opened fire into the crowd.

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#90223u1370 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - A priest in El Salvador today accused the United States of withholding secret intelligence documents that could shed light on the November 1989 slaying of six Jesuit priests. The priest says Washington has privately admitted it has 21 documents dealing with the case, but canNOT hand them over because they could hurt U-S national security.

New York police today charged a young father with killing and dismembering

his newborn son. Police say Jason Radtke slammed the baby to the floor because it was crying and had wet him when he picked the child up. Radtke allegedly dismembered his son and returned to bed while the family's German shepherd dog ate the body parts.

Connecticut officials say a Plainville woman is being held on 300-thousand dollars bond today, awaiting psychiatric evaluation for the slaying of her infant son. Nancy Kasmer says she killed her six-and-a-half-month-old son because she believed he was the next son of God.

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#90223u1422 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 12) UPI - A British aeronautics firm said Saturday it was preparing to give anti-chemical warfare suits to its 3,000 employees working in Saudi Arabia.

British Aerospace, which earlier this week evacuated about 600 staff and dependents from the country, said the protective suits were among several measures it is taking to deal with Iraq's threatened use of chemcial weapons.

David Kamiya, a spokesman, said the company was preparing to issue the suits and provide the training to the use them. The company is also reviewing options for evacuating employees if chemical weapons are used in the gulf conflict.

The firm's employees in Saudi Arabia are at six bases working on a major defense contract, which is part of a multi-billion-dollar deal with Britain. Most are technicians and engineers working on the British-made Tornado aircraft used by the Royal Saudi Air Force.

British companies manufacturing the suits are being inundated with requests and questions, according to The Independent newspaper.

Charcoal Cloth Ltd. told the newspaper it had been ''swamped'' with inquiries from ''people in the Middle East region desperate for equipment.'' One from an unspecified client was for an order for between one and two million gas masks, the newspaper said.

''The difficulty we have it that this stuff is just not instantly available,'' a company spokesman said.

The suits, designed to protect against nuclear, biological and chemical warfare, have an outer layer covered with a repellant and a chemical-absorbing inner layer of charcoal. They cost between $93 and $372.

#90223u1478 08/11/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 12) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE U.S.A.:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	94	67	....
Anchorage sy	78	54	.31
Asheville sy	83	55	....
Atlanta sy	89	65	....
Baltimore cy	85	70	.03
Billings pc	77	63	....
Birmingham pc	95	66	....
Bismarck pc	78	51	....
Boston cy	72	69	2.80
Brownsville pc	94	73	....
Buffalo pc	84	60	....
Burlington Vt. pc	82	67	.99.
Charleston S.C.sy	86	77	....
Charlotte sy	90	64	....
Chicago pc	80	67	.53
Cincinnati pc	85	60	....
Cleveland pc	83	57	....
Columbus Ohio pc	84	63	....
Dallas sy	97	71	....
Denver ts	86	61	.05
Des Moines sh	83	68	.03
Detroit pc	82	60	.04
Duluth pc	65	44	....
El Paso pc	90	68	....
Evansville pc	87	60	....
Fargo pc	66	42	....
Hartford pc	80	71	1.16
Honolulu sy	89	75	....
Houston pc	97	69	....
Indianapolis pc	82	58	....
Jackson Miss. pc	92	59	....
Jacksonville pc	91	71	.15
Kansas City ts	82	69	.41
Las Vegas pc	107	81	....
Little Rock pc	90	71	.06
Los Angeles hz	85	67	....
Louisville pc	88	62	....
Memphis pc	92	66	....
Miami Beach ts	87	77	.07
Milwaukee pc	72	61	....
Minneapolis pc	74	57	....
Nashville pc	88	64	....
New Orleans sy	93	66	....

New York f	84	68	2.70
Oklahoma City pc	89	71	....
Omaha ts	82	65	.29
Orlando ts	92	71	.37
Philadelphia pc	87	70	.20
Phoenix pc	105	87	....
Pittsburgh cy	77	60	....
Portland Me. pc	72	68	1.47
Portland Ore. sy	100	81	....
Providence pc	80	71	1.08
Richmond pc	86	68	.01
St. Louis ts	87	68	....
Salt Lake City pc	95	67	....
San Antonio sy	94	71	....
San Diego f	79	70	....
San Francisco pc	73	56	....
San Juan sy	89	77	.02
Seattle f	94	63	....
Spokane pc	87	60	....
Tampa ts	94	74	.03
Washington cy	86	70	....
Wichita ts	87	66	.44

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

-30- 2686
#90223u1508 08/11/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 11) UPI - Some of the world's Moslem communities are rallying behind Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Moslems in Algeria, Yemen and the Israeli-occupied territories took to the streets today... chanting their support for Saddam. The Iraqi leader has called for Moslems to stage an uprising against pro-Western Arab leaders as well as U-S forces in Saudi Arabia.

U-S and Saudi officials say Iraq missed its chance for an easy invasion of Saudi Arabia. The officials say the recent buildup of international military might slammed shut the window of opportunity for an Iraqi conquest of Saudi oil fields. But they add that the danger of war has NOT yet passed. The Saudi ambassador to the United States says the UNpredictability of Iraq's leader could NOT be eliminated as a major factor in the crisis.

Fire lines are slowing the spread of a pair of wildfires responsible for burning more than 18-thousand acres of land west of California's Yosemite Valley. A spokeswoman for the firefighters says efforts to control the blazes will go well as long as winds doN'T pick up again. Crews used bulldozers today to build fire lines in order to protect an historic grove of giant sequoia trees.

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#90223u1510 08/11/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 11) UPI - Five young Hispanic men in Philadelphia were sentenced today to life in prison for the death last year of a 17-year-old white youth in a racially motivated attack. The jury deliberated less than two hours before sentencing the men. All five were convicted of first-degree murder in the May 1989 death of Sean Daily. Daily was beaten with baseball bats, then shot to death.

Democrats are pressing President Bush to fill the position of director of the National Institutes of Health. The job has been vacant for one year... and Democrats on a Senate panel say they want Bush to remove politics from the process of filling the post. The Bush administration indicated it wanted to choose its own N-I-H chief when Dr. James Wyngaarden resigned in July 1989.

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#90223u1602 08/11/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 11) UPI - Both Iraq and Saudi Arabia are denying reports of a confrontation between Saudi anti-aircraft gunners and Iraqi reconnaissance planes. The gunners reportedly fired on the planes as they flew over Saudi territory. Thousands of Egyptian troops landed in Saudi Arabia today as other Arab forces made their way to the oil-rich kingdom to stand alongside U-S soldiers against a possible Iraqi invasion.

Iraq's takeover of Kuwait is reshaping alliances in the Arab world. The action places Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak at the head of separate camps competing for influence in the Middle East. Mubarak has gained strong support from Syria... Iraq's long-time ideological foe. But Saddam is trying to recruit Syria to join its anti-Western camp.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry today made his first public statement since his 10-week-old cocaine and perjury trial ended yesterday with only one conviction out of 14 counts. Barry asked residents of the nation's capital for forgiveness. And he called on the judge to let the jury's ruling be the last judgment in the case. The judge says he'll announce September 17th whether Barry will be retried on the UNdecided charges.

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#90223u1604 08/11/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 11) UPI - China's state-run newspaper is urging people to ''beat and eliminate'' their dogs in an effort to clean up the capital before next month's Asian Games. Today's article cites a decade-old regulation that forbids Beijing residents from keeping dogs as pets. The story criticized dog owners for imitating foreigners seen in films or on television.

The search is on for a field of contaminated tomatoes believed responsible for illnesses across four Midwest states. Federal and state health officials are leading the search for the tomatoes linked to more than 100 cases of salmonella food poisoning in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois and Michigan. But a Minnesota health official says there may have been as many as 10-thousand UNreported cases in his state alone.

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#90223u1784 08/11/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 11) UPI - Although many Arabs are looking to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as the champion of the underdog, most Arab leaders are moving to counter Iraqi aggression. Thousands of Egyptian forces landed in Saudi Arabia today, and Syrian and Moroccan troops are on their way.

The Egyptian-led Arab endorsement of the West is drawing sharp criticism from Iraqi supporters. Moslems tried to storm the U-S and Egyptian embassies in Yemen today, and similar scenes were reported in other Middle East nations.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry broke months of silence today by asking his constituents to forgive him for any hurt he may have caused. The request comes one day after Barry's 10-week drug and perjury trial ended in a deadlock on 12 of 14 counts.

Exhausted crews battling more than one-thousand wildfires in the West have even more fires to fight. Thousands of lightening strikes sparked new blazes overnight and today in six states where fires already have charred more than 350-thousand acres.

A priest in San Salvador today accused the United States of withholding secret documents that could help solve the November 1989 slayings of six Jesuit priests. Washington has refused to turn over the papers for national security reasons.

Leningrad residents are battling the UNseen dangers of radioactive waste. A Soviet news report today said a study of the country's second largest city found 150-thousand spots where radiation levels were above normal.

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#90223u1793 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - New York police today charged a father with killing and dismembering his infant son... then returning to bed while the family's German sheperd ate the body parts. Jason Radtke and his girlfriend initially told police the dog attacked and ate the baby as he slept in his crib.

The Manhattan jury deciding the case of three youths charged with the rape and attempted murder of a Central Park jogger will meet tomorrow for its fourth day of deliberations. Today, the panel listened to the videotaped confession of one of the youths.

A Philadelphia jury wasted NO time in sentencing five young Hispanic men for the racially-motivated murder of a white youth last year. The panel took less than two hours to agree to sentence the men to life in prison.

Police sources in India say a military unit went on a killing spree in Kashmir after rebels ambushed their platoon and wounded four soldiers. They say the soldiers were searching for rebels in a village when it lined up civilians and opened fire.

The National Hurricane Center is keeping its eye on the seventh tropical

depression of the Atlantic-Carribean hurricane season. Forecasters say the storm is ''impressive,'' but is at least three days away from the Lesser Antilles of the Caribbean.

Operation PUSH has declared ''war'' on Nike. The Chicago-based civil rights group called for a nationwide boycott of Nike shoes and other products until the company listens to the group's demands by hiring more blacks.

A study conducted by a researcher at Central Michigan University may refute the notion that children do NOT make reliable eyewitnesses. Child psychologist Debra Poole says her research indicates kids are just as accurate and consistent as adults.

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#90223u1889 08/11/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 11) UPI - Soldiers from Egypt and other Arab nations are beginning to arrive in Saudi Arabia amid reports of a confrontation between Saudi anti-aircraft gunners and two Iraqi planes. Both Saudi and Iraqi officials deny reports that the gunners fired on two reconnaissance planes over Saudi territory. Morocco and Syria are also sending troops to Saudi Arabia. Kuwait's exiled leaders say their remaining forces will also take part in the multi-national force.

A newspaper in London says a British company plans to equip its workers in Saudi Arabia with anti-chemical warfare suits. The report says the suits are one of several measures British Aerospace is taking to protect its three-thousand employees in Saudi Arabia from Iraq's threatened use of chemical weapons. British companies that make the suits are reportedly being swamped with calls from people in the Middle East interested in the equipment.

The judge in Marion Barry's cocaine and perjury trial says he'll announce September 17th whether the Washington, D-C, mayor will be retried on the UNdecided counts against him. Barry addressed a crowd of supporters today in his first statement since being convicted yesterday on only one of 14 charges against him. Barry called for the jury's ruling yesterday to be the final one in the case.

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#90224d3990 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (AUG. 12) - Sweden is preparing for an evacuation of its embassy in Kuwait following Iraqi demands that foreign embasssies in Kuwait be moved to Baghdad, Swedish Foreign Minister Sten Andersson said Sunday.

"We understand that we are risking expulsion and we are therefore preparing

an evacuation. There are many things which must be hidden and must not fall into their (Iraqi) hands," the minister told the Swedish news agency TT.

Declining to comment on reports that the Iraqis have advanced the deadline for embassies to transfer to Baghdad from August 24 to August 14, the minister said the reports by the BBC "had not been confirmed."

Mr. Andersson would not say if the evacuation preparations at the embassy in Kuwait meant that it would close the embassy, but said he hoped a solution would be found so that they would not have to leave Kuwait.

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#90224d4010 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 12) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on Sunday called on his countrymen to observe austerity in the face of an international blockade and make sacrifices at home in the event Iraq is drawn into war.

In an appeal on Iraqi radio monitored here and addressed primarily to women, Mr. Hussein urged them to counter sanctions against Iraq by not over-stocking on personal purchases and cut down on their food intake.

"Every family can go without buying clothes for a year," he said in his appeal, adding that families accustomed to buying 10 kilograms (22 pounds) of meat a month should halve their consumption.

The president's speech comes two days after he called on Moslems and Arabs worldwide to wage a holy war against the West and Arab states that have deployed troops in the Gulf to protect Saudi Arabia in the wake of Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

In the speech read by an Iraqi spokesman, Mr. Hussein also urged women and children not to hoard supplies. "Everybody is required not to stock more than he requires."

"Iraq's bounties are plenty. We have ample food supplies," he insisted.

He is expected to address the nation again at 1530 GMT "to discuss past and future circumstances in the region," the official Iraqi news agency INA reported.

"O glorious one (woman), yours is a jihad (holy war) sacrificial role transcending all others," he said in a broadcast monitored here. "You have a leadership role in all walks of life."

"You must prepare yourself and your family to move from one lifestyle into another," Mr. Hussein said. "The foreigner threatens the nation and the future."

Through their sacrifices, Iraqis must take part in the holy war to break through the blockade aimed at destroying the Iraqis' will, the president said.

"By so doing we will hit the Americans in the heart of sanctions, in defense of our nation," he added.

He said that Iraq had succeeded in defeating the United States, Britain, France and the Netherlands through oil sanctions in the 1970s. "We defeated all attempts to impose sanctions against us in our war with Iran " he said.

"If Iraq's will is defeated, an American-Zionist era will be established and be void of all religious values...The Arab nation will miss the opportunity to build a strong base to free itself from hunger, slavery and will be unable to free Jerusalem, the Ka'aba, the Prophet's (Mohammad's) tomb and free itself from foreigners' armies," he said.

On Friday, Mr. Hussein called on Arabs and Moslems worldwide to deliver Islam's holy sites in "occupied" Saudi Arabia by waging a holy war.

"Save Mecca and the tomb of the Prophet Mohammad (in Medina) from occupation," he said.

The Iraqi leader's diatribes were directed at the Saudi royal family under whose jurisdiction the holy sites fall.

His speech Friday was reported as Arab leaders held an emergency summit in Cairo in an 11th-hour attempt to defuse the Gulf crisis which has escalated since the Iraqi invasion.

It also came amid a military buildup in the Gulf, where Western and Arab powers have dramatically bolstered their air and naval power for fear of an Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia after Baghdad invaded and annexed Kuwait.

"We are all equals in the battle trenches," he said Sunday.

Mr. Hussein affirmed that Iraq would be victorious in its battle. "Defeat is certain for the aggressors. We shall defeat their air forces and useless navies."

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#90224d4160 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (AUG. 12) - The last chance of survival for Liberian President Samuel Doe lies with the swift intervention of an African peace force before the rebel onslaught on Monrovia renders it redundant.

Mr. Doe urged on Saturday, in what amounts to a desperate plea to save his skin, that the West African troops "move in as soon as possible".

Rebels troops have unleashed their final assault on the capital and correspondents believe the end of the Liberian bloodbath is nigh, although the massacres of recent weeks might pale before the final reckoning.

Mr. Doe renewed an offer to relinquish his powers to an interim government set up under the peace force of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), according to a statement released by the Liberian embassy in Lagos.

But he has been unable to exercise those powers since the start of July when the National Patriotic Front (NPFL) began their siege of the Liberian capital.

And rebel leader Charles Taylor has stepped up the battle to ensure that ECOWAS does not frustrate his grab for the presidency now that after seven bitter months he is within sight of Executive Mansion, the seat of power overlooking the sea in central Monrovia.

He has warned the West Africans, led by Nigeria, that the NPFL will fight intervention to the last man and is seeking to mobilise more than 300,000 men.

Any foreign force "will have to kill everybody", Mr. Taylor has threatened ominously.

Even worse for Mr. Doe, the components of the peace force, known by the name Monitoring Group (ECOMOG), are still being assembled and several more days looks an optimistic assessment of a date for intervention.

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#90224d4270 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONROVIA (AUG. 12) - A man plodding along a road in Liberia's capital is pushing a wheelbarrow in which he has installed his aged father, who is propped against two bags, his legs dangling down.

Behind the old man's head is balanced a large radio set. Two children are trotting alongside.

This family, or what remains of it, is one of hundreds fleeing fighting here as rebels of the National Patriotic Front led by Charles Taylor inch towards the Executive Mansion.

The man, his two children and father abandoned their home and nearly

everything else in the semi-residential district of Sinkor early Saturday, on the advice of rebel soldiers.

The National Patriotic Front fighters, who entered the capital from the east and are advancing steadily towards downtown Monrovia, on Saturday reached St. Joseph's hospital and ordered it evacuated.

They were moving steadily forward towards the tiny James Spriggs Payne airport, about four kilometers (2.5 miles) from the Executive Mansion where President Samuel Doe and his guards are holed up.

The first rebel commandos have gotten past the airport and reached the Lutheran church, 1.7 kilometers (about a mile) from the center of town.

It was there that government troops massacred several hundred Liberians who had gathered seeking refuge.

Witnesses who have been able to reach rebel lines said corpses left from the slaughter two weeks ago still lie around the mission grounds.

Meanwhile, hundreds of civilians each day converge on the University of Fendell campus, about 20 kilometers (12 miles) from downtown Monrovia.

The campus has become a transit ground for more than 200,000 Liberians, according to one rebel commander. The refugees are living there without water or electricity and their numbers are swelling daily.

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#90224d4400 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PERTH, Australia (AUG. 12) - The Western Australian Health Department is providing support payments to a small number of AIDS-infected prostitutes on condition they stop working, officials said Sunday.

State Director of Disease Control, Dr. Charles Watson, said taxpayers were subsidising "less than five" HIV-positive prostitutes by up to 100 Australian dollars (79 U.S.) a week to keep them out of brothels and off the streets.

The payments, lasting up to four weeks, were meant to support infected male and female prostitutes while they were retrained for other work, he said.

"We normally see the process as extending for a few weeks when someone with a pretty high income -- 500 to 1000 dollars (395 to 790 U.S.) a week -- drops down to nothing," Dr. Watson said.

Former sex-clinic doctor, Dr. Leo Laden, criticised the health department, saying their policy was "naive" if it assumed human immunodeficiency virus

(HIV)-positive prostitutes would not have sex if the government paid them.

"I've treated 100,000 veneral disease patients in my time and in my experience, the vast majority of what they say isn't true," Dr. Laden said.

Acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) is a deadly disease which robs the body of its ability to fight infection.

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#90224d4520 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 12) - Palestinians in the Israeli occupied territories continued sporadic demonstrations Sunday in support of Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein and in condemnation of Israel, the United States and Saudi Arabia.

The East Jerusalem daily A-Shahab reported that in recent days hospitals have seen a noticeable increase in the number of Palestinian new-borns being named Saddam - apparently out of respect for the Iraqi leader.

Prominent Palestinians in the West Bank published Sunday a leaflet condemning Saudi Arabian policies as ''treacherous'', and calling on Hussein ''to burn the ground'' under the feet of the traitors.

Demonstrations in which portraits of Hussein were raised alongside those of Plo leader Yassir Arafat, and the Iraqi flag flew next to the Palestinian standard took place in a number of cities. The largest gathering was reported in Hebron.

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#90224d4600 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 12) - The Philippine government is to evacuate tens of thousands of its nationals from Iraqi-occupied Kuwait with Baghdad's approval, officials said here Sunday.

Iraqi ambassador to the Philippines Ali Sumaida informed Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs Manuel Yan on Saturday that Filipino workers could leave Kuwait and Iraq except for those employed by the Iraqi government, the official Philippine News Agency (PNA) reported Sunday.

President Corazon Aquino said in a statement that Labor Secretary Ruben Torres, currently in Saudi Arabia, has informed her that the Philippine Embassy in Riyadh would implement an "emergency evacuation plan."

Mr. Torres has recommended that "all Filipino workers still in Kuwait must be brought back to the Philippines," she added.

She did not say how the estimated 60,000 Filipino workers would be evacuated. Officials here have previously balked at the idea of repatriating them all by plane, which they said would take 167 flights at the cost of 41 million dollars.

Mrs. Aquino said that as a United Nations member, the Philippines "joins the U.N. Security Council" in its call for a worldwide trade, financial and arms embargo against Iraq, but did not say which sanctions Manila would impose on Baghdad which supplies part of its oil imports.

There are about half a million Filipino workers in the Middle East, contributing one billion dollars a year to the Philippine economy. About 60,000 are in Kuwait and 5,000 in Iraq, according to official figures.

Mrs. Aquino also advised dependents of Filipino workers in the eastern region of Saudi Arabia to "move to safer areas within the kingdom," and said those leaving Kuwait could do so by way of Jordan or Turkey.

Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus said Sunday that Amman has assured Manila that Filipinos leaving Iraq would be given safe passage through the kingdom, PNA reported.

Spokesmen for the Philippine foreign department and the Iraqi mission here were unavailable for comment Sunday.

Ninety Filipino workers arrived here Sunday from Kuwait via Saudi Arabia, journalists at Manila airport said. Fewer than 1,000 have been able to return to the Philippines since the Iraqi invasion on August 2.

The Philippine leader, who has not condemned the Iraqi invasion, noted the "intense anger all over the world of the Iraqi invasion of its neighbor Kuwait,
especially those countries which are campaigning for world peace."

Kuwait provided 13 per cent of the Philippines' oil imports last year while Iraq provided five per cent, official figures show.

Mrs. Aquino denied published reports here that the Philippine Central Bank has banned banks from buying the currencies of Kuwait, Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Bahrain.

She said local banks have been given the freedom to decide on transactions involving these currencies.

She said the government was ready to respond to a possible constriction of oil supply, but added that Manila was ready to cope with the Gulf crisis by tapping other oil-exporting countries.

But she said "prudence dictates that we embark on a more serious energy conservation effort."

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#90224d5700 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHARTOUM (AUG. 12) - The Sudanese military leader, General Omer Beshir, said Sunday that Khartoum would try to end the Gulf crisis.

''I will personally or through high-ranking envoys start new efforts to bridge the viewpoints of brotherly Arab states. I want to avoid the current danger that threatens the Arab region,'' General Beshir told editors of national newspapers here.

The Sudanese leader was quoted by the official Sudan News Agency (Suna) as saying: ''Sudan's efforts, coupled with that of other Arab states, will succeed in coming out with a viable solution to the Gulf crisis despite the gloominess of the situation.''

Sudan was one of the four countries which expressed its ''reservation'' over the Arab summit's decision on Friday to condemn Iraq for invading Kuwait August 2 and to send forces to protect Saudi Arabia and the Gulf emirates.

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#90224d5750 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 12) - King Hussein of Jordan on Sunday ordered that civil defense and first aid centers be set up in residential neighborhoods nationwide, official Jordan Television reported.

He also ordered the opening across Jordan of military training centers for the country's people's army, which was set up in 1980 and formed of Jordanians aged 18 to 50, television said.

The report came after officials quoted the monarch as saying that U.S. troop deployments in Saudi Arabia to protect the oil-rich kingdom against any Iraqi attack after its invasion of Kuwait was unacceptable to Arabs.

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#90224d5840 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (AUG. 12) - West African peace-keeping forces gathered in Sierra Leone Sunday, preparing to intervene in the bloody Liberian civil war as early as Monday, informed sources said here.

Five hundred soldiers from Sierra Leone were ready to leave for Liberia, officials said, while a similar number of Nigerians also had arrived here

to spearhead a West African force eventually expected to number 2,500.

One thousand Ghanaians were due to arrive here aboard three ships Monday, in addition to 105 Gambians, and an unknown number of Guineans, Malians and Togolese, diplomats said.

Together they will form a peace-keeping force set up by seven members of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS).

However analysts in Abidjan said Saturday that Liberian rebels appeared likely to overcome President Samuel Doe's government soldiers in Monrovia before the peace-keeping force can enforce a cease-fire and install a provisional government.

The decision to send the peacekeeping force to Liberia was made Tuesday at a mini-summit of the ECOWAS mediation committee on Liberia during which an appeal was launched for a cease-fire after nearly nine months of civil war.

Because of Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor's opposition to the peace-keeping force, the Nigerian government officials have decided to be very discreet about Nigeria's role in the ECOMOG cease-fire monitoring group, informed sources in Lagos said.

The official Nigerian radio said Sunday the Nigerian airlift would end Monday.

While the Nigerian Government said emphatically its troops were not going into Liberia to fight, a military source said "it is imprudent to disclose all our strategies."

Nigeria might have rescinded its earlier plan to send about 2,000 troops to the war-torn country, observers said.

The biggest black African nation would be contributing between 800 and 1,000 troops to the monitoring group, which would be transported by air and sea to Monrovia, the sources added.

General Mohamed Tarawallie, commander-in-chief of the Sierra Leone army, is expected to address West African troops assembled here Monday.

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#90224d5850 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 12) - Israel on Sunday categorically rejected a call by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw from occupied Arab territory as part of a peace settlement in the Gulf.

"These are cheap propaganda statements," said Avi Pazner, spokesman for

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

Mr. Hussein, in a statement broadcast over Baghdad Radio, had called for Israel's "immediate and unconditional withdrawal from Palestine, Syria and Lebanon" as part of "an initiative to settle the Gulf crisis".

The Iraqi president also called for a pullout of U.S. troops from the Gulf, the withdrawal of Syrian troops from Lebanon "a withdrawal between Iran and Iraq and the laying down of arrangements for the case of Kuwait."

Mr. Hussein, whose remarks were broadcast by official Baghdad Radio, demanded in exchange that an Arab force, excluding Egyptian troops, be deployed in the Gulf and that the international community lift sanctions imposed on Iraq following its invasion August 2 of neighbouring Kuwait.

"Saddam Hussein is manoeuvering in order to provoke the withdrawal of the multi-national intervention force stationed in the Gulf and to escape from the economic blockade imposed on him," Mr. Pazner said.

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#90224d5910 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 12) - Pakistan's caretaker government said Sunday that elections will go ahead as scheduled October 24, but that deposed Premier Benazir Bhutto and her party should answer charges of corruption at special tribunals.

Information Minister Abida Hussain said holding the judicial processes of accountability along with the elections did not mean the caretaker government was trying to exclude Bhutto and her Pakistan People's Party (Ppp) from the electoral contest.

She told reporters after a cabinet meeting that the government only desired to set in motion a process of accountability of public representatives.

About a dozen Ppp members, buisnessmen and officials have already been detained in Sindh, Bhutto''s home province, for a month.

Among them were Pakistan Narcotics Control Board official Agha Sikandar, businessman Fauzi Kazmi and the director of a government loaning agency, D. M. Talpur, who are said to be business associates of Bhutto's allegedly corrupt husband, Asif Zardari.

Talpur was leaving the country when he was taken off the plane and arrested.

Meanwhile, Bhutto's mother, Nusrat, left for London Sunday despite earlier claims by the Ppp that the new government has put a general ban on its

members leaving the country.

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#90224d5930 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (AUG. 12) - A mine planted by ethnic Kachin rebels exploded under a passenger train in northern Burma on Sunday, wounding five people, state-run Rangoon Radio said in a broadcast monitored here.

The radio said three men and two women were seriously wounded after the landmine, planted by the Kachin Independence Army, exploded in Kachin state, 770 kilometers (462 miles) north of Rangoon.

Two carriages were derailed and damaged in the attack, the radio said.

The radio in another dispatch said 36 insurgents, including five pro-democracy students, surrendered to Burmese troops last month.

It said the five students, members of the All Burma Students' Democratic Front, and the 31 ethnic rebels from five separate insurgent factions gave themselves up to authorities with their weapons in July.

Thousands of Burmese students have fled Rangoon and other cities for fear of persecution by the military government since it seized power in a September 1988 coup to crush a nationwide pro-democracy movement.

Some of the students have sought shelter and training from ethnic guerrillas in isolated border areas.

About a dozen ethnic insurgent groups, allied under the National Democratic Front, have been fighting for autonomy from Rangoon since Burma gained independence from Britain in 1948.

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#90224d6040 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 12) - The United States Sunday rejected conditions laid down by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

In a statement released at this seaside town where President George Bush was vacationing, the White House said the United States "categorically rejects" Mr. Hussein's conditions.

"These latest conditions and threats are another attempt at distracting from Iraq's isolation and at imposing a new status quo," the White House said.

In a broadcast speech in Baghdad Sunday, Mr. Hussein called for a withdrawal of U.S. troops from the Gulf and an immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Israeli forces from "Palestine, Syria and Lebanon."

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#90224d6220 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (AUG. 12) - Any bid by the United States to intercept Iraqi oil tankers in the Gulf would be considered an "act of aggression against Iraq " Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz said here Sunday.

"The interception of Iraqi tankers (in the Gulf) by the United States constitutes an act of aggression on their part and falls within the framework of a blockade, which was not decided by the United Nations," he told a press conference.

Mr. Aziz was referring to an announcement by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker that Washington had agreed to a Kuwaiti request to ensure that a U.N. embargo against Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports is respected and will subsequently take the "necessary and proportionate" measures.

(Mr. Baker, who declined to use the word "blockade," did not say how U.S. forces deployed in the Gulf, including troops and aircraft carriers, would "interdict" exports from Iraq or Kuwait.

(But he told a television interview in the United States that a request by the deposed Kuwaiti government provided the United States and other nations, under Article 51 of the U.N. charter, a legal basis to halt oil exports.)

Last week the U.N. Security Council approved a resolution calling for an embargo of trade, finance and arms against Iraq to protest its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Aziz also warned the member countries of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries against their "participation in a blockade imposed by the United States against Iraq."

"Any attempt on the part of any OPEC member to facilitate the boycott (of Iraq) would be considered an aggressive and tendentious act," he said.

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#90224d7620 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (AUG. 13) - Australian Treasurer Paul Keating must play Scrooge and deliver a tough budget next week to allow cuts in interest rates to ease pressure on the battered manufacturing and retail sectors, economists say.

A tight-fisted budget would restrain overall economic growth and provide scope for easing Canberra's tight monetary policy.

Keating last year boosted official cash rates to about 18 percent as a cure for Australia's perpetual current account deficit, huge foreign debt and inflation woes.

Cash rates -- the bellwether interest rates charged for overnight loans -- have been lowered to 14 percent this year as the economy slowed.

But many economists say the interest rate cuts might not be enough to avoid a recession and Keating must come up with a budget surplus of up to nine billion Australian dollars (7.1 billion U.S.) in his Aug. 21 budget presentation.

Last year Canberra had an eight billion dollar budget surplus (6.4 billion U.S.), below the surplus forecast of 9.12 billion dollars (7.3 billion U.S.).

"Some sectors of the economy are really in a bad way and we need some further reductions in interest rates," Bob Graham, chief economist at Westpac Banking Corp., said Thursday.

Graham said he believed Keating would be willing to announce a surplus of about eight billion dollars (6.4 billion U.S.) despite the obvious public backlash if it was achieved through unpopular social welfare cuts.

"They still have a couple of years before the next election," Graham said.

Keating is also deputy prime minister in the Labor government which was re-elected in March.

Phil O'Sullivan, economist at Barclays de Zoete Wedd (Australia) Ltd., said Thursday's employment figures, which showed strong job growth, suggested the economy was too robust.

"We need a surplus of at least nine billion dollars," he said, adding that such a surplus would allow another half a point easing in the cash rate before the end of the year.

David De Garis, senior economist at ANZ Banking Group Ltd., said that despite the federal government's surplus last year, the public sector had posted a small deficit, largely due to spendthrift state governments.

"There has certainly been a slippage in fiscal policy and that has put all the more pressure on monetary policy to slow the economy," De Garis said.

Jeff Schubert, economist at Hongkong Bank Australia Ltd., said even a tough budget might not produce interest rates cuts.

"There is a 5050 chance that interest rates have bottomed.

"They are down to a reasonably low level," he said. "Economic growth will probably be picking up again."

The way the government achieved the surplus was important, Schubert said, adding that cutting expenditure on social welfare programmes was better than reducing infrastructure investment.

He forecast a current account deficit of 16 billion dollars (12.8 billion U.S) for the financial year ended June 30 compared to last year's outcome of 21.2 billion dollars (16.9 billion U.S.).

Inflation will probably fall from 7.7 percent to about 7.0 percent, after allowing for some oil price rises due to the Gulf crisis, he said.

Economic growth should be about 1.5 percent during the year and unemployment will settle at around 7.5 percent, Schubert said.

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#90224d7640 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 13) - Japanese Premier Toshiki Kaifu postponed Monday a planned five-nation Middle Eastern tour scheduled to start Wednesday, government spokesman Misoji Sakamoto said.

The official announcement ended days of speculation about whether Mr. Kaifu would go ahead with the 12-day tour to Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Jordan and Egypt despite the ongoing Gulf crisis sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Kyodo news service reported earlier that Mr. Kaifu would instead send his foreign minister, Taro Nakayama, to the region.

Government sources here said visiting U.S. Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter told Mr. Kaifu that Washington hoped he would go ahead with the visit as planned to show Japan's support for the U.S. troop deployment in Saudi Arabia.

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#90224d7760 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 13) - China plans to make light industry one of the priorities of its eighth five-year plan and hopes to see the sector grow by eight percent from 1991 to 1995, the New China News Agency (NCNA) reported.

If all goes according to plan, total production in the sector in 1995 should be 338 billion yuan (71 billion dollars) -- an increase of more than 46 percent over 1990, NCNA said, quoting Zheng Boxia, an official of the ministry of light industry.

The sector has shown "remarkable development" in the 10 years since China launched its economic open door policy, Zheng told an industrial conference Sunday night.

It grew by 4.1 percent in July, compared with only 1.8 percent for heavy industry, according to official statistics.

The official said the special economic zones China set up along its coast encourage the creation of companies dealing with this is type of production, particularly in the form of joint ventures with foreign firms.

Zheng said China encouraged the development of capital goods, raw materials and basic goods.

Chinese light industries should put an estimated 10,000 new products on the market during the next five-year plan as Chinese living standards improve, he said.

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#90224d7770 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 13) - Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad said the state-owned Perusahaan Otomobil Nasional (Proton), which makes Malaysia's best-selling car, will go public in less than a year, newspapers reported Monday.

Dr. Mahathir said Sunday that Malaysians would be offered shares in the company in recognition of their support that has made the Proton Saga the best-selling car in the country since 1985.

He said would be listed on the Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange "as soon as we get all the paper work done." The prime minister was speaking at the launching of Proton's 12 valve-engine model.

Proton is 70 per cent owned by the Heavy Industries Corp. of Malaysia, set up by the government to spearhead Malaysia's industrialisation drive. Japan's Mitsubishi Corp. and Mitsubishi Motor Corp. hold the remaining stake.

The company reported profits of 159 million dollars (59 million U.S.) on a turnover of 1.4 billion dollars (518 million U.S.) in the year ended March 31.

This compares with profits of 32 million dollars (11.8 million U.S.) and turnover of 820 million dollars (304 million U.S.) the previous financial year,
 the first year it turned in profits.

Proton cars have cornered 63 per cent of the domestic car market and more than 13,000 units have been exported to Britain, its biggest foreign market.

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#90224d7780 08/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (AUG. 13) - The Philippines' annual inflation rate could average 15 percent in 1990 because of domestic problems and the Gulf crisis, the Business Star newspaper said Monday.

Polling government and private economists, the daily said the inflation rate, currently approaching 13 percent, was forecast to reach 17 to 19 per cent in the second semester, further dampening economic growth.

President Corazon Aquino's government, which recently launched a set of major economic reforms, had hoped to bring inflation below 10 percent by the end of the year.

The inflation forecasts took into account the depreciating peso, an impending power rate hike, the effects of the massive July 16 earthquake in Luzon island, rising world crude oil prices and tariff reforms, the Star said.

Mrs. Aquino ruled out new wage increases Saturday amid fears of spiraling inflation, opting instead for price regulation of basic goods.

Local oil firms are seeking a 30 percent increase in retail prices.

Economic Planning Secretary Cayetano Paderanga said Thursday the 4.7 per cent growth forecast for gross national product in 1990 would not be reached because of the earthquake and the Gulf crisis, but gave no new estimate.

The Philippines imports most of its oil from the Middle East, where an estimated half a million Filipino workers send home one to two billion dollars in remittances, easing the country's foreign-exchange problems.

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#90224e0019 08/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MEXICO CITY (AUG. 13) EFE - A total of 80 bodies have been pulled from

the rubble of buildings and swollen rivers in eastern Mexico following torrential rains brought by Hurricane Diana, which hit the country five days ago, authorities said Sunday.

Rescue services said some 100,000 houses had been destroyed by the hurricane, with the eastern state of Hidalgo worse hit -- 56 bodies have been recovered from towns, villages and rivers in the state.

Hurricane Diana originated in the Caribbean and arrived in the Gulf of Mexico last Tuesday, where it swept across southeastern Mexico before petering out late Thursday.

However, most of the damage has been caused by the heavy rains that came in the wake of Hurricane Diana, and which still persist in the eastern states.

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#90224u0057 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

BOGOTA, Colombia (AUG. 12) UPI - The third-ranking leader of the cocaine-trafficking Medellin cartel was killed Saturday in a firefight with police, news reports said.

Gustavo Gaviria Rivero was killed when police raided a fortified building in the city of Medellin, 160 miles northwest of Bogota, Bogota radio stations reported.

Gaviria is the cousin of Pablo Escobar, the cocaine kingpin who heads the Medellin cartel. He is considered the No. 3 man in the cartel, which supplies much of the world's cocaine supply.

Gaviria was killed at about 4 p.m. in a building that had bullet-proof windows, the radio reports said.

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#90224u0064 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 12) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
New York	64	46	.582	-	38-19	26-27	5-5	L-1
Pittsburgh	64	47	.577	1/2	31-21	33-26	5-5	L-4
Montreal	59	54	.522	6 1/2	32-23	27-31	4-6	W-4
Chicago	54	59	.478	11 1/2	28-29	26-30	7-3	W-1
Philadel.	52	59	.468	12 1/2	26-28	26-31	2-8	L-4
St. Louis	53	61	.465	13	27-32	26-29	7-3	W-3

West

Cincinnati	64	47	.577	-	33-20	31-27	4-6	L-1
San Fran.	60	52	.536	4 1/2	30-24	30-28	5-5	W-1
Los Angeles	57	54	.514	7	32-24	25-30	5-5	W-1
San Diego	53	59	.473	11 1/2	28-30	25-29	8-2	W-3
Houston	49	64	.434	16	35-24	14-40	6-4	L-3
Atlanta	42	69	.378	22	24-33	18-36	2-8	L-1

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#90224u0088 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (AUG. 12) UPI - Half of all American priests have broken their vow of celibacy with a partner and 80 percent have committed sexual mortal sins in the eyes of the Catholic church according to a newly released study.

The 25-year study conducted by A.W. Richard Sipe, a psychologist and former priest, involved 1,000 priests and 500 of their lovers or victims, the Boston Sunday Globe reported.

Sipe told a gathering at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association in Boston Saturday that the 800-year-old celibacy requirement has repressed the Catholic church's view of human sexual nature, leaving it ''quite literally underdeveloped and immature.''

''In all sexual matters, the whole muscle tone of Roman Catholic moral authority has been enfeebled,'' said Sipe, a Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine teacher. ''As a result, the credibility of priests as a moral authority on sexual matters has been irreparably assailed.''

Only 2 percent of the priests in Sipe's study attained true celibacy, the chosen attempt to serve others productively by living without direct sexual gratification. Another 46 to 48 percent of those included practiced celibacy ''sufficiently well enough to be called celibate,'' Sipe told the Globe.

The study revealed 20 percent of those interviewed had homosexual relationships and 6 percent were involved with children. Although it is a mortal sin in the Catholic Church, 80 percent masturbated. Masterbation was not considered a violation of celibacy, the study said.

The Rev. Kenneth Doyle, a spokesman for the U.S. Catholic Bishops, told the newspaper the survey was not accurate because of the bias of those involved.

Doyle said the majority of the priests interviewed came into contact with Sipe because they needed counseling for problems involving their sexuality.

Sipe responded, saying half came to him for counseling and the remainder

got involved through workshops and seminars. He said he believed the information gleaned from the study came from a representative group of clergy from 1960 to 1985.

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#90224u0100 08/12/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 12) UPI - CALDENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Auto Racing

Watkins Glen, N.Y. - NASCAR Budweiser

American League
Minnesota at Toronto, 1:35 p.m.
Detroit at Cleveland, 1:35 p.m.
Texas at Chicago, 2:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at Kansas City, 2:35 p.m.
Baltimore at California, 3:05 p.m.
New York at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.
Boston at Seattle, 4:35 p.m.

National League
Philadelphia at Montreal, 1:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 1:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Atlanta, 2:10 p.m.
San Francisco at Cincinnati, 2:15 p.m.
Chicago at New York, 3:05 p.m.
San Diego at Houston, 10:05 p.m.
Edmonton, Alberta - World Championships

Basketball
Argentina - Men's World Championships

Boxing
Fort Huachuca, Ariz. - U.S. Junior Championships.

Golf
Birmingham, Ala. - PGA Championship
Stratton, Vt. - $450,000 Stratton Mountain LPGA Classic
Albuquerque, N.M. - Sunwest Bank/Charley Pride Senior Classic

Roller Skating
Pensacola, Fla. - U.S. Indoor Speed Championships

Shooting

Moscow - World Championships

Tennis
Albuquerque, N.M. - Virginia Slims of Albuquerque
Mason, Ohio - $1.02 million ATP Championships
San Diego - $225,000 Great American Bank Women's Classic

Track and Field
Plovdiv, Bulgaria - World Junior Championships

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#90224u0105 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

MORELAND, OK (AUG. 12) UPI - The solar-powered aircraft Sun-Seeker flew 245 miles Saturday, nearing the halfway point of its cross-country journey a spokesman said.

Pilot Eric Raymond lifted off from Littlefield at 12:05 p.m. CDT and planned to fly his 195-pound craft about 180 miles into the southwest corner of Oklahoma. Instead, the craft reached Moreland, in northeast Oklahoma, after flying for 6 hours, 50 minutes. said project spokesman Jack Whitehouse.

The Sun-Seeker flew 140 miles Friday from Carlsbad, N.M. on its often-delayed solar-powered journey across the country, landing after nearly seven hours in Littlefield, about 30 miles northwest of Lubbock, Texas.

The craft Saturday caught a thermal updraft, which allowed it to remain aloft, about five minutes after take-off. The plane uses thermal updrafts for propulsion during flight, normally relying upon the solar-powered motor only for takeoffs and landings.

Raymond has completed nearly 1,000 miles of his 2,500-mile journey to Kitty Hawk, N.C. - the site of the Wright brothers' 1903 historic first flight - closing in on the trip's halfway mark, Whitehouse said.

Whitehouse said Raymond hoped to reach Springfield, Mo., Sunday.

Raymond wanted to complete the trip, which began Aug. 2 in California, within 10 days, but Whitehouse said the pilot may not reach the East Coast until Aug. 16.

The 33-year-old champion hang glider embarked on the flight to draw attention to the uses of alternative power. He took off from Desert Center Calif., Aug. 2, but was forced to land a few hours later after becoming ill.

Because of weather problems, the plane was grounded or daily flight segments were abbreviated several days this past week in New Mexico and Texas.

The plane, which has 700 solar cells on its skin, needs at least 20 minutes of direct sunlight to recharge the batteries that power its 3-horsepower motor.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Walton cf	4	2	2	0	Miller lf	4	1	1	2
Sandberg 2b	4	1	2	2	Magadan 1b	3	0	0	0
Grace 1b	5	0	1	1	Jefferies 2b	3	0	1	1
Clark lf	5	0	2	1	Strawbrry rf	4	0	0	0
Smith rf	5	0	1	0	Johnson ss	3	0	1	0
Salazar 3b	4	1	1	0	Sasser c	4	0	0	0
Dunston ss	4	1	1	2	Boston cf	4	1	1	0
Villanueva c	4	0	1	0	O'Malley 3b	3	1	1	0
Bielecki p	0	0	0	0	Trevino ph	1	0	1	0
Wilson p	2	1	0	0	Darling p	0	0	0	0
Ramos ph	0	0	0	0	Whitehurst p	1	0	1	0
Assenmchr p	0	0	0	0	Diaz ph	1	0	0	0
					Machado p	0	0	0	0
					Carreon ph	1	0	0	0
					Ojeda p	0	0	0	0
					Teufel ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	37	6	11	6	Totals	33	3	7	3

Chicago 140 100 000- 6

New York 100 200 000- 3

E-Jefferies. DP-New York 1. LOB- Chicago 8, New York 7. 2B-O'Malley, Villanueva. 3B-Sandberg. HR-Dunston (14). SB-Sandberg (20), Clark (5), Grace (12).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Bielecki	1-3	1	1	1	3	0
Wilson (W 4-7)	6 2-3	5	2	2	0	7
Assenmacher (S 4)	2	1	0	0	1	5
New York						
Darling (L 4-7)	1 1-3	5	5	4	1	1

Whitehurst	2 2-3	2	1	1	1	1
Machado	3	3	0	0	1	1
Ojeda	2	1	0	0	1	0

T-2:57. A-45,710.

Umpires-Home, McSherry; 1b, Davidson; 2b, Reliford; 3b, Williams.

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SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	3	1	0	0	Larkin ss	3	0	1	1
Kingery rf	5	0	1	0	Oester 2b	1	0	1	0
Clark 1b	3	1	1	2	O'Neill rf	4	0	0	0
Mitchell lf	5	1	1	0	Sabo 3b	4	0	1	0
Williams 3b	3	0	1	0	Davis cf	4	0	0	0
Carter c	4	0	1	1	Morris 1b	3	1	2	1
Thompsn 2b	4	1	2	0	Duncan ss	4	0	1	0
Uribe ss	4	0	0	0	Reed c	2	0	0	0
Burkett p	1	0	0	0	Hatcher lf	4	1	1	0
Riles ph	1	0	1	1	Myers p	0	0	0	0
La Coss p	0	0	0	0	Rijo p	1	0	0	0
Bathe ph	1	0	0	0	Griffey ph	0	0	0	0
Brantley p	0	0	0	0	Dibble p	0	0	0	0
					Benzinger lf	1	0	0	0
Totals	34	4	8	4	Totals	31	2	7	2

San Francisco 200 001 001- 4
Cincinnati 010 010 000- 2

DP-San Francisco 1. LOB-San Francisco 11, Cincinnati 9. 2B-Sabo, Hatcher, Larkin, Thompson. HR-Clark (15), Morris (5). SB-Butler (34), Thompson (9), Morris (6). S-Rijo, Oester. SF- Clark.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Burkett (W 11-4)	5	4	2	2	2	5
LaCoss	2	1	0	0	2	1
Brantley (S 17)	2	2	0	0	1	1
Cincinnati						
Rijo (L 8-5)	7	5	3	3	4	5
Dibble	1	1	0	0	1	1
Myers	1	2	1	1	1	0

HBP-by Rijo (Williams). T-3:01. A- 49,780.

Umpires-Home, West; 1b, Barnes; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Wendelstedt.

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ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Coleman lf	3	0	0	0	Redus cf	4	0	2	0
OSmith ss	3	0	0	1	Bell ss	3	0	0	0
McGee cf	4	0	0	0	King 3b	4	0	1	0
Zeile c	4	0	0	0	Bonilla rf	4	1	2	0
Wilson 3b	4	2	3	0	Bonds lf	3	1	2	2
Hudler 1b	4	0	0	0	Bream 1b	4	0	1	0
Thompson rf	3	0	2	1	Lind 2b	4	0	1	0
Oquendo 2b	4	0	0	0	LaValliere c	3	0	0	0
Magrane p	2	1	1	0	Van Slyk ph	1	0	0	0
LSmith p	0	0	0	0	Tomlin p	2	0	0	0
					Belinda p	0	0	0	0
					Cangelosi ph	1	0	0	0
					Landrum p	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	3	6	2	Totals	33	2	9	2

St. Louis 000 011 001- 3
Pittsburgh 000 000 002- 2

E-Redus 2. DP-St. Louis 3. LOB-St. Louis 5, Pittsburgh 6. 2B-King, Redus, Wilson, Magrane, Bream. HR-Bonds (23). S-Magrane. SF-OSmith.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Magrane (W 8-12)	8 2-3	8	2	2	2	1
LSmith (S 21)	1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Pittsburgh						
Tomlin (L 1-1)	7 2-3	5	2	2	0	4
Belinda	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Landrum	1	1	1	0	1	1

T-2:25. A-46,720.

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, Pulli; 2b, Rippley; 3b, Darling.

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LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Javier rf	4	2	2	0	LSmith lf	4	1	1	0
Gibson cf	4	1	1	2	Treadway 2b	4	1	1	0
Daniels lf	4	1	1	2	Gant cf	5	1	1	1

Murray 1b	5	0	0	1	Justice rf	4	1	2	3
Scioscia c	3	0	0	0	Presley 3b	5	0	0	0
Harris 3b	4	1	1	0	Gregg 1b	3	0	0	0
Samuel 2b	3	0	2	0	Whitt c	4	0	0	0
Griffin ss	4	0	0	0	Blauser ss	4	0	0	0
Belcher p	2	0	0	0	Grant p	1	0	0	0
Gonzalez ph	1	0	0	0	Vatcher ph	1	0	0	0
Crews p	0	0	0	0	Castillo p	0	0	0	0
Gwynn ph	0	0	0	0	McDowell ph	1	0	0	0
Howell p	0	0	0	0	Parrett p	0	0	0	0
Brooks ph	0	1	0	0	Bell ph	0	0	0	0
Gott p	0	0	0	0	Clary p	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	6	7	5	Totals	36	4	5	4

Two out when winning run scored

Los Angeles	102 100 000	2- 6
Atlanta	200 020 000	0- 4

DP-Atlanta 1. LOB-Los Angeles 4, Atlanta 7. 2B-Justice. 3B-LSmith. HR-Gibson (8), Justice (14), Daniels (17). SB -Javier 2 (10), Gibson (12), Gant (19), Harris (11), Samuel (34).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Belcher	6	4	4	4	3	6
Crews	2	1	0	0	0	1
Howell (W 4-5)	1	0	0	0	2	0
Gott (S 1)	1	0	0	0	0	2
Atlanta						
Grant	4	4	4	4	3	2
Castillo	3	1	0	0	0	3
Parrett	2	0	0	0	2	0
Clary (L 1-10)	1	2	2	2	0	0

HBP-by Clary (Brooks). T-3:05. A- 30,845.

Umpires-Home, Gregg; 1b, Harvey; 2b, Hallion; 3b, DeMuth.

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PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	5	0	1	0	DeShields 2b	5	1	1	0
Daulton c	4	1	1	0	DMartinz cf	6	1	1	2
VHayes lf	5	2	2	1	Raines lf	2	0	0	0
Murphy rf	6	0	0	0	Mohorcic p	0	0	0	0
Kruk 1b	5	0	0	0	Noboa ph	1	0	0	0

Herr 2b	6	0	1	1	Frey p	0	0	0	0
CHayes 3b	4	1	1	0	Owen ph	1	0	0	0
Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0	Sampen p	0	0	0	0
Thon ss	4	0	2	0	Fitzgerld ph	0	0	0	0
Grimsley p	3	0	1	1	Wallach 3b	6	0	3	0
Cook p	0	0	0	0	Walker rf	6	0	0	0
Boever p	0	0	0	0	Galarrag 1b	6	0	3	1
Ready ph	1	0	0	0	Goff c	3	1	1	0
Carman p	0	0	0	0	Foley ss	4	1	1	0
Booker 3b	0	0	0	0	Gardner p	1	0	0	0
					Nixon ph	1	0	0	0
					Rojas p	0	0	0	0
					Aldrete lf	0	0	0	0
					Grissom lf	3	1	2	1
Totals	43	4	9	3	Totals	45	5	12	4

(Two out when winning run scored)

Philadelphia	201 001 000 000- 4
Montreal	000 000 040 001- 5

E-DeShields, Foley, Goff, Daulton, Herr, Thon. DP-Philadelphia 2, Montreal 1. LOB-Philadelphia 12, Montreal 11. 2B-Daulton. HR-VHayes (14). SB-CHayes (3), DeShields (31), DMartinez (10), Grissom (14), Thon (8). S-Grimsley, Fitzgerald.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Grimsley	7	5	2	2	3	3
Cook	0	3	2	1	0	0
Boever	3	3	0	0	2	3
Carman (L 5-2)	1	0	1	0	0	1
Akerfelds	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Montreal						
Gardner	5	4	3	1	2	5
Rojas	1	2	1	1	1	0
Mohorcic	2	2	0	0	1	1
Frey	2	0	0	0	1	0
Sampen (W 9-4)	2	1	0	0	2	2

Grimsley pitched to 2 batters in the 8th, Cook pitched to 3 batters in the 8th, Carman pitched to 1 batter in the 12th.

HBP-by Gardner (CHayes). WP- Rojas. Balk-Grimsley. T-4:05. A- 23,708.

Umpires-Home, bonin; 1b, Quick; 2b, Hohn; 3b, Rennert.

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SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts lf	4	1	1	0	Yelding cf	3	0	1	1
Alomar 2b	5	1	2	0	Oberkfell 1b	4	0	0	0
Gwynn rf	5	2	3	1	Caminiti 3b	5	0	1	2
Carter cf	5	2	3	3	Stubbs 1b	1	0	0	0
Santiago c	3	0	1	1	Nichols ph	1	0	0	0
Stephensn 1b	4	0	0	0	Doran 2b	1	0	0	0
Pagliarul 3b	5	0	2	1	Biggio c	4	0	0	0
Templetn ss	5	0	0	0	Davidson rf	4	0	0	0
Schiraldi p	2	0	0	0	Rhodes lf	4	1	2	0
Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0	Ramirez ss	4	1	2	0
Abner ph	1	0	0	0	Smith p	0	0	0	0
Harris p	0	0	0	0	Darwin p	1	1	0	0
Lampkin ph	1	0	0	0	Rohde ph	0	0	0	0
Show p	0	0	0	0	Andersen p	0	0	0	0
Lefferts p	0	0	0	0	Candaele ss	1	0	0	0
Totals	40	6	12	6	Totals	33	3	6	3

San Diego	002	001	000	3- 6
Houston	000	030	000	0- 3

DP-Houston 1. LOB-San Diego 8, Houston 6. 2B-Gwynn, Rhodes, Caminiti. 3B-Carter. SB-Roberts 2 (26), Carter (11), Yelding (47). S-Rohde. SF-Yelding, Santiago.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Schiraldi	4 2-3	4	3	3	4	4
Rodriguez	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Harris	2	1	0	0	0	0
Show (W 4-8)	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lefferts (S 18)	1	1	0	0	0	0
Houston						
Darwin	7	7	3	3	2	4
Andersen	2	1	0	0	1	1
Smith (L 2-4)	1	4	3	3	0	0

T-3:19. A-25,830.

Umpires-Home, Runge; 1b, Rapuano; 2b, Winters; 3b, Davis.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - Both Saudi Arabia and Iraq deny reports that Saudi anti-aircraft gunners shot at Iraqi reconnaissance planes flying over Saudi territory. Reports of the incident broke while thousands of Egyptian troops arrived Saturday in Saudi Arabia to fight alongside a U-S-led multi-national force in case of an Iraqi invasion. Observers say Egypt's move to make good on an Arab League decision for a pan-Arab force is proof of the deep split in the Arab community.

Egypt is catching fire for supporting the West in its stance against Iraq. Demonstrators faithful to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein took to the streets in several Mideastern nations Saturday to answer his call for a popular uprising against Egyptian President Mubarak and other pro-Western Arab leaders. In Yemen, protesters broke into the Saudi Embassy and stormed the U-S and Egyptian missions... causing minor damages during skirmishes with security guards. One diplomat described the protesters as a ''rent-a-crowd mob mostly made up of UNemployed youths.''

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry is asking his black supporters and white critics to set aside their differences and forgive him for getting involved with drugs. In an emotional speech Saturday, Barry conceded his drug and perjury trial racially polarized the city, but urged his constituents to ''let go'' of the past. The mayor is awaiting word on whether prosecutors will re-try him after his trial Friday ended in a hung jury on 12 of 14 charges.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - Wildfires burned throughout six western states Saturday, giving little respite to an armada of firefighters who set backfires to try to keep the flames from expanding beyond the 350,000 acres destroyed in the past week.

The wildfires forced the first-ever complete closure to the public of California's Yosemite National Park, where about 15,000 acres burned in two separate blazes at the west end of the park. A small army of more than 1,140 firefighters had one fire 30 percent contained and the other 20 percent contained late Saturday.

''We have fireproofed the giant sequoias with fire retardant,'' said Ann Tisei, a spokeswoman for the National Park Service, who said electricity was restored to El Portal, one of two small mountain communities cut off by the fires. Foresta, the other town, remained off-limits to the public.

''The problems have been erratic winds and steep terrain,'' said Tisei, who added that 66 structures and 14 vehicles have been destroyed by the fires, which totally devasted a two-mile stretch of land inside the park.

Some 19,000 firefighters were dispatched to the firelines, particularly in the hardest-hit states of California, Idaho and Oregon. Additional fires were reported in Washington, Nevada and Utah.

In California, flames destroyed more than 160,000 acres in 15 major fires, many caused by lightning strikes. More than 17,000 lighting strikes have been recorded in the state since Aug. 3.

More than 2,300 firefighters battled the state's worst blaze in Lassen National Forest, which ballooned from 64,000 acres Friday night to 110,000 acres by late Saturday. The fire was 40 percent contained.

A National Guardsman hurt in the crash of a water-bearing helicopter Friday evening was released from the hospital after treatment for back injuries, officials said.

Three other Northern California fires consumed about 15,000 acres.

In central California, a blaze near Kernville grew to 23,000 acres but a strategically set back fire, along with calm winds and light rainfall, slowed its pace. It was 10 percent contained late Saturday, a U.S. Forest Service spokeswoman said.

Washington officials imposed bans on outdoor burning in six counties Saturday, while dozens of lightning-caused fires burned more than 1,000 acres in Wenatchee National Forest.

Lightning started some three-dozen forest fires, the worst a 50-acre blaze in the scenic Alpine Lakes Wildnerness, where a month of intense sun and soaring temperatures parched the ground cover.

A 10,800-acre fire in northeast Oregon threatened to merge with another 9,100-acre blaze following a fifth straight night of lightning strikes in timberland in eastern Oregon's Malheur National Forest. Gusting west winds pushed the larger fire, the Snowshoe Basin Fire, toward the smaller Sheep Mountain complex blaze.

More than 6,500 firefighters were on the lines of 113,500 acres of Oregon blazes in various stages of containment. An additional 1,000 Army personnel were expected to join the battle Monday or Tuesday.

The largest fire in Oregon, the Bald Butte in Ochoco National Forest, was 50 percent contained Saturday at 73,700 acres. Fire crews hoped to contain the blaze by Tuesday night. Officials estimated the cost to fight the wildfire had reached $2.25 million.

Another 16,450-acre fire, the result of smaller fires merged by erratic

winds, burned out of control elsewhere in the Ochoco National Forest.

In Idaho, five fires burned at least 65,900 acres. In the southern part of the state, crews hoped to contain the 65,000-acre Thorn Creek fire north of Gooding.

Meanwhile, lightning snapped across the Payette National Forest, touching off more fires, but widely scattered rain helped curb the blazes.

Firefighters Saturday had the upper hand on smaller blazes in Utah and Nevada. Seven blazes in Nevada consumed more than 11,225 acres. In Utah, three blazes blackened some 8,600 acres. Two Montana fires scorched 870 acres.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	61	51	.545	-	36-18	25-33	7-3	W-1
Toronto	60	54	.526	2	32-28	28-26	4-6	W-1
Baltimore	54	58	.482	7	26-26	28-32	3-7	L-3
Cleveland	53	60	.469	8 1/2	29-27	24-33	6-4	W-2
Detroit	53	62	.461	9 1/2	26-30	27-32	4-6	L-2
Milwaukee	48	64	.429	13	24-32	24-32	3-7	W-1
New York	46	66	.411	15	23-29	23-37	6-4	L-2
West								
Oakland	72	42	.632	-	37-21	35-21	8-2	W-3
Chicago	66	45	.595	4 1/2	33-24	33-21	6-4	L-1
Texas	59	55	.518	13	31-24	28-31	5-5	W-1
Seattle	58	56	.509	14	30-31	28-25	4-6	L-1
California	55	59	.482	17	29-29	26-30	6-4	W-2
Kansas City	54	59	.478	17 1/2	30-27	24-32	6-4	L-1
Minnesota	53	61	.465	19	29-30	24-31	3-7	L-1

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(AUG. 12) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi
Gladden lf	4	1	0	0	Felix cf	4	1	1	0
Liriano 2b	4	1	1	1	Fernandz ss	5	2	2	1
Puckett cf	3	0	0	1	Gruber 3b	5	1	1	2
Hrbek dh	4	1	1	2	Bell lf	4	0	2	1

Gaetti 3b	4	0	1	0	McGriff 1b	1	1	0	1
Bush rf	3	0	0	0	Olerud dh	2	1	0	0
Larkin 1b	4	0	2	0	Myers c	3	0	1	0
Ortiz c	3	0	0	0	Williams pr	0	0	0	0
Newman ss	3	1	1	0	Lee 2b	3	0	1	1
Smith p	0	0	0	0	Hill rf	3	1	1	0
Leach p	0	0	0	0	Mulliniks ph	1	0	1	1
Savage p	0	0	0	0	Borders c	0	0	0	0
Berenguer p	0	0	0	0	Stieb p	0	0	0	0
					Henke p	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	4	6	4	Totals	31	7	10	7

Minnesota 000 004 000- 4
Toronto 200 000 32x- 7

E-Lee. DP-Minnesota 2, Toronto 1. LOB-Minnesota 4, Toronto 8. 2B-Hill. 3B-Fernandez. HR-Hrbek (17), Gruber (23). SF-McGriff, Puckett.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Smith	5 1-3	4	2	2	5	1
Leach (L 2-4)	1 2-3	3	3	3	0	0
Savage	0	2	2	2	2	0
Berenguer	1	1	0	0	0	0
Toronto						
Stieb (W 15-4)	7 2-3	5	4	3	1	4
Henke (S 24)	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	1

Savage pitched to 4 batters in the 8th.

HBP-by Stieb (Bush). WP-Smith. T- 2:45. A-49,873.

Umpires-Home, Kaiser; 1b, Meriwether; 2b, McKean; 3b, Young.

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NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Kelly cf	3	0	2	0	Lansford 3b	4	1	3	1
Sax 2b	4	0	1	0	Jennings lf	2	0	0	0
Azocar lf	4	0	0	0	Blnknshp ph	2	0	2	2
Balboni dh	2	0	0	0	DHendrsn cf	5	0	0	0
Nokes dh	1	0	0	0	McGwire 1b	4	2	2	0
Maas 1b	4	1	2	1	Hassey dh	2	0	2	1
Barfield rf	0	0	0	0	Randolph dh	2	2	2	0
Hall rf	2	0	0	0	Jose rf	5	2	2	1
Cerone c	4	0	1	0	Quirk c	4	1	1	1

Leyritz 3b	4	0	1	0	Weiss ss	2	1	1	2
Espinoza ss	4	0	0	0	Gallego 2b	3	1	1	1
Totals	32	1	7	1	Totals	35	10	16	9

New York 000 000 001- 1
Oakland 000 114 40x- 10

DP-New York 1, Oakland 1. LOB- New York 8, Oakland 9. 2B-McGwire 2, Lansford, Jose. HR-Maas (13). S- Gallego, Quirk. SF-Weiss 2.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Hawkins (L 3-10)	5 2-3	9	5	5	2	3
Cadaret	1-3	4	5	5	1	1
Jones	2	3	0	0	0	0
Oakland						
Young (W 7-4)	5 2-3	5	0	0	3	2
Nelson (S 5)	3 1-3	2	1	1	1	3

Cadaret pitched to 4 batters in the 7th.

HBP-by Cadaret (McGwire). WP- Cadaret. T-3:00. A-43,479.

Umpires-Home, Shulock; 1b, McClelland; 2b, Merrill; 3b, Denkinger.

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TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Huson ss	2	2	1	1	Bradley cf	5	1	2	1
Stanley c	0	0	0	0	Fletcher 2b	4	0	1	1
Franco 2b	3	1	0	1	Calderon lf	5	0	2	0
Palmeiro 1b	4	0	2	1	Pasqua dh	3	0	0	0
Sierra rf	4	0	1	1	Lyons dh	0	0	0	0
Baines dh	5	0	0	0	Thomas 1b	3	1	1	0
Daugherty lf	4	1	1	0	Karkovice c	4	2	2	0
Petralli c	4	1	2	0	Johnson cf	1	0	0	0
Green ss	0	0	0	0	Sosa rf	3	0	0	0
Buechele 3b	4	0	0	0	Fisk c	1	0	0	0
Pettis cf	2	2	1	0	Grebeck 3b	3	1	2	1
					Ventura ph	0	0	0	0
					Guillen ss	5	0	2	1
Totals	32	7	8	4	Totals	37	5	12	4

Texas 240 100 000- 7
Chicago 001 200 200- 5

E-Sosa. DP-Texas 1. LOB-Texas 7, Chicago 14. 2B-Bradley, Guillen,

Calderon. SB-Bradley (14). SF-Sierra, Fletcher.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Hough (W 10-7)	6 2-3	10	5	4	5	5
Barfield	0	1	0	0	0	0
Arnsberg	1 2-3	1	0	0	3	1
Rogers (S 12)	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Chicago						
Perez (L 10-10)	7 2-3	8	7	7	7	1
Patterson	1-3	0	0	0	1	1
Peterson	1	0	0	0	0	0

WP-Hough. PB-Petralli 2, Karkovice. Balk-Perez 2. T-3:41. A-40,650.

Umpires-Home, Morrison; 1b, Joyce; 2b, Barnett; 3b, Roe.

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DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Phillips 3b	4	1	2	0	Cole cf	6	1	3	0
Fryman 3b	3	1	2	1	Baerga 2b	6	1	2	1
Whitaker 2b	2	0	1	1	DiJames 1b	4	0	1	1
Trammell ss	5	0	0	0	Manto 1b	0	1	0	0
Fielder 1b	5	0	1	1	Maldonad rf	5	1	1	1
GWard lf	3	0	0	0	CJames dh	4	3	3	1
Lusader lf	0	0	0	0	Jacoby 3b	3	3	2	1
Lemon rf	4	0	1	0	Snyder rf	3	0	0	0
Shelby cf	4	0	1	0	Webster lf	1	1	1	3
Coles dh	3	1	2	0	Alomar c	5	1	2	1
Heath c	4	1	1	1	Skinner c	0	0	0	0
					Fermin ss	3	1	2	3
Totals	37	4	11	4	Totals	40	13	17	12

Detroit	200	000	002-	4
Cleveland	041	000	35x-	13

E-GWard, Baerga. DP-Cleveland 1. LOB-Detroit 9, Cleveland 10. 2B- Fryman, Jacoby, D James, Alomar, Fermin, Heath. HR-D James (8), Maldonado (17), Webster (9). SB-Cole Jr (15). SF-Fermin.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Petry (L 9-8)	6 1-3	10	8	8	4	1
Tanana	1 1-3	5	5	5	1	3

Parker	1-3	2	0	0	0	1
Cleveland						
Swindell (W 8-7)	6 2-3	7	2	2	2	2
RWard (S 1)	2 1-3	4	2	2	1	2

HBP-by Tanana (Snyder). WP- Swindell, Petry, Tanana. T-3:14. A- 15,319.

Umpires-Home, Reed; 1b, Cooney; 2b, Tschida; 3b, Brinkman.

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MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 1b	6	3	2	0	Seitzer 3b	4	1	2	1
Felder lf	5	2	4	2	Pecota 2b	4	0	0	0
Sheffield 3b	5	1	2	3	Brett 1b	5	0	0	1
DParker dh	3	0	1	1	Tartabull rf	4	1	1	0
Vaughn dh	1	1	0	0	Perry dh	4	0	2	0
Yount cf	4	2	2	0	Wilson lf	3	1	1	0
Deer rf	5	1	1	2	Macfarlan c	3	0	0	1
Hamilton rf	0	0	0	0	Stillwell ss	4	1	2	1
Gantner 2b	5	0	2	2	Jeltz ss	0	0	0	0
O'Brien c	5	0	0	0	McRae cf	3	1	0	0
Diaz ss	4	1	1	0					
Totals	43	11	15	10	Totals	34	5	8	4

Milwaukee	400 400 021-	11
Kansas City	130 010 000-	5

E-Pecota 2, Molitor, Brett. DP- Milwaukee 1. LOB-Milwaukee 11, Kansas City 7. 2B-Seitzer, Diaz, Stillwell, Molitor, Sheffield. 3B-Felder, Gantner. HR-Deer (20). S-Sheffield, Macfarlane.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Robinson (W 6-3)	9	8	5	3	3	5
Kansas City						
Filson (L 0-4)	3	6	6	3	2	0
M.Stottlemyre	3	5	2	2	2	2
Farr	2	2	2	2	1	1
Encarnacion	1	2	1	1	0	2

Filson pitched to two batters in the fourth.

Balk-Filson. HBP-Pecota by Robinson.

Umpires: Home, Reilly; 1b, Garcia; 2b, Voltaggio; 3b, Scott.

T-3:01. A-37,682.

BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
Gallagher lf	5	0	0	0	Polonia cf	3	0	1	1
SFinley rf	5	0	4	2	Bichette rf	2	0	1	0
CRipken ss	3	1	1	1	Venable rf	4	1	1	2
Hulett 2b	2	0	0	0	Davis lf	5	1	1	3
Tettleton dh	3	0	0	0	Stevens 1b	4	1	0	0
Devereax cf	4	0	0	0	Downing dh	3	3	3	2
Kittle 1b	2	0	0	0	Parrish c	4	1	2	3
McKnight 1b	1	1	1	0	Hill 2b	4	1	1	0
Wrthngtn 3b	4	0	1	0	KAndersn 3b	4	3	4	0
Melvin c	3	1	1	0	Schofield ss	3	1	1	1
Gonzales 2b	3	1	1	1					
Totals	35	4	9	4	Totals	36	12	15	12

Baltimore 001 000 003- 4
California 011 720 01x- 12

E-Worthington. DP-Baltimore 1, California 1. LOB-Baltimore 8, California 3. 2B-Downing 2, KAnderson. HR-Down- ing (10), CRipken (14), Davis (11), Parrish (19). SB-SFinley (15). S- Schofield. SF-Venable.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
Weston (L 0-1)	3 1-3	8	7	5	0	1
Price	2 2-3	4	4	4	1	2
Williamson	2	3	1	1	0	1
California						
CFinley (W 15-5)	7	4	1	1	3	3
Fetters	2	5	3	3	1	1

T-2:48. A-30,040.

Umpires-Home, Welke; 1b, Hickox; 2b, Coble; 3b, Evans.

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BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
JoReed 2b	7	0	1	0	Reynolds 2b	6	0	2	0
Evans dh	7	1	2	2	Briley rf	4	0	2	0
Boggs 3b	6	1	3	0	Griffey cf	6	0	0	0
Burks cf	6	0	2	0	Davis 1b	6	1	2	0

Greenwell lf	5	1	1	1	O'Brien 1b	5	0	3	0
Lancellott 1b	3	0	0	0	Brumley pr	0	1	0	0
Quintana 1b	3	0	0	1	Schooler p	1	0	0	0
Brunnsky rf	6	0	2	0	Leonard lf	4	0	0	0
Pena c	5	0	1	0	Martinez 3b	6	0	1	1
Rivera ss	6	1	2	0	Valle c	4	0	0	0
					Bradley c	2	0	1	1
					Vizquel ss	6	0	0	0
Totals	54	4	14	4	Totals	50	2	11	2

(Two out when winning run scored)

Boston	000 000 100 010 02- 4
Seattle	000 001 000 010 00- 2

DP-Boston 2, Seattle 2. LOB-Boston 11, Seattle 10. 2B-Briley, Reynolds, Burks, JoReed. HR-Greenwell (7), Evans (11). SB-Quintana (1), Rivera (2). S-Briley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Boddicker	9	8	1	1	3	3
Murphy	1 1-3	2	1	1	0	1
Gray	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Irvine (W 1-0)	2	0	0	0	0	1
Seattle						
Swift	7 1-3	5	1	1	1	2
Jackson	1	2	0	0	0	0
Comstock	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
THarris	2 1-3	3	1	1	1	2
Schooler (L 1-4)	3	4	2	2	1	4

T-4:21. A-30,113.

Umpires-Home, Phillips; 1b, Cousins; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, McCoy.

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TOKYO (AUG. 12) UPI - U.S. Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter Sunday urged Japan to liberalize rice imports, a traditionally non-negotiable issue which is now showing signs of compromise as consumers complain of sky-high prices for the staple.

The request came during a 30-minute meeting between Yeutter and Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, according to the Kyodo News Service.

Kyodo, quoting government sources, said Kaifu reiterated that Japan's food security policy banning rice imports will remain unchanged and stressed that Japan already is a major importer of farm products.

Yeutter arrived in Tokyo Friday en route to a swing through Thailand, Malaysia and Hong Kong. He is scheduled to return to Tokyo Friday for a one-week visit to continue negotiations on the rice issue with Japanese leaders.

Liberalization of farm trade is a major pending issue in the current Uruguay round of multinational talks aimed at freer world trade under the Geneva-based General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Japan has been under mounting pressure to open up its rice market to pave the way for a successful conclusion of the negotiations by the end of this year.

Japan bans rice imports to protect domestic farmers, who are a major source of support for the conservative ruling Liberal Democratic Party. The LDP, of which Kaifu is president, has been in power without interruption since its founding in 1955.

Yeutter is scheduled to engage in full-scale talks on the rice issue with the government and ruling party leaders, including Agriculture Minister Tomio Yamamoto and Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama, when he returns to Tokyo later this week, government officials said.

Resolutions passed by the Diet, Japan's parliament, in 1980 and 1984 called for the government to continue restrictions on rice imports and pursue a policy of self-reliance on rice supply.

A later resolution in September 1988 urged the government to resolutely oppose U.S. pressure on Japan to remove a ban on rice imports.

Despite the parliamentary action, some senior officials of the LDP recently advocated a partial and phased liberalization of rice imports.

The Komeito, the political arm of Japan's largest Buddhist organization Soka Gakkai and second strongest opposition party, resolved to support gradual liberalization of rice imports.

Recent newspaper polls also showed that more than half of Japanese consumers favor an easing of rice import curbs.

According to Japanese estimates, rice in Japan is priced 6.5 times higher than in the United States while a U.S. survey found it is eight times higher.

The United States says the price gap is equivalent to a tariff as high as 700 percent.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - The Cincinnati Reds' recent slide has cost them in the standings, but Saturday a Giant slide might have cost them even more.

The Reds dropped a 4-2 decision to the San Francisco Giants Saturday night and in the process saw their NL West lead cut to 4 1-2 games and their All-Star shortstop cut down at second base.

Barry Larkin, who drove in the tying run to knot the score at 2-2, was injured when Will Clark smashed into him at second in the fifth inning breaking up a double play.

Larkin was forced to leave the game an inning later with what was diagnosed as a mild to moderate hyperextension sprain of the left knee. He will be reexamined today to determine the full extent of the injury.

''Clark didn't slide, though he said he did,'' Larkin said. ''I looked at the replay and he didn't slide.''

Was he unhappy with the way the play went?

''Very,'' replied Larkin.

''The ball was behind second base and I was trying to beat the play there '' said Clark, who was out on the play. ''(Mariano) Duncan flipped the ball to Larkin and it wasn't a solid flip, because he left Larkin hanging. I slid right over the base and I got him.''

On his way off the field, Larkin stopped to speak to Clark at first.

''I told him the same thing I'm telling you,'' said the Giants first baseman.

''It looked like a roll block of sorts, but I couldn't tell,'' said Reds Manager Lou Piniella. ''Larkin felt good after the game, so perhaps he'll be okay.''

Ron Oester, who took over at second base when Duncan moved to Larkin's spot at shortstop, saw nothing wrong with the play.

Cincinnati starter Jose Rijo, 8-5, doesn't like the way his team has been playing the game lately.

''We complain too much,'' Rijo complained. ''We should be playing hard the way they (the Giants) do. We complain too much on balls and strikes and different plays.''

--- AROUND THE NL ---

Elsewhere in the National league: Chicago downed New York 6-3, St. Louis edged Pittsburgh 3-2, Los Angeles topped Atlanta 6-4 in 10 innings, Montreal nipped Philadelphia 5-4 in 12 innings, and San Diego clipped Houston 6-3 in 10 innings.

Cubs 6, Mets 3

At New York, Shawon Dunston slammed a two-run homer in the second inning and Ryne Sandberg added a two-run triple. The Mets remained in first place in the NL East, a half-game ahead of Pittsburgh. Steve Wilson, 4-7, was the winner, relieving starter Mike Bielecki in the first inning and lasting 6 2-3 innings.

Cardinals 3, Pirates 2

At Pittsburgh, Craig Wilson went 3-for-4 and Joe Magrane notched his third straight victory to give St. Louis its third straight win and hand the Pirates their fourth loss in a row. Barry Bonds homered for the third straight game for Pittsburgh.

Expos 5, Phillies 4, 12 innings

At Montreal, Andres Galarraga singled home the winning run in the 12th inning helping the Expos extend their winning streak to four games. Errors by second baseman Tom Herr, his first in 50 games, and shortstop Dickie Thon set up the game-winning hit.

Padres 6, Astros 3, 10 innings

At Houston, Joe Carter's two-run triple highlighted a three-run 10th inning to lift San Diego. Carter now leads the majors in RBI with 92. With two straight losses to the Padres, the Astros dropped their first series at home since May 17-20.

Dodgers 6, Braves 4, 10 innings

At Atlanta, Kal Daniels belted a two-run homer with two out in the 10th inning to lift Los Angeles. It was his 17th on the season and made a loser of Marty Clary, 1-10. Dave Justice clubbed his 14th homer for the Braves.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

BATTING
(Minimum 275 at-bats)
American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	355	84	117	.330
Palmeiro, Tex	418	53	135	.323
Griffey, Sea	441	70	141	.320
Harper, Min	343	45	109	.318
Boggs, Bos	436	65	136	.312
Quintana, Bos	340	41	106	.312
JoReed, Bos	411	53	128	.311
Brett, KC	392	60	122	.311
Guillen, Chi	368	48	113	.307
Sheffield, Mil	383	53	117	.305

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	411	82	144	.350
McGee, StL	446	68	150	.336
Dawson, Chi	366	51	122	.333
Bonds, Pit	359	79	117	.326
Murray, LA	369	62	117	.317
Gwynn, SD	446	64	141	.316
Larkin, Cin	427	59	133	.311
Sandberg, Chi	451	85	140	.310
Jefferies, NY	414	70	127	.307
Mitchell, SF	370	66	113	.305

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 35; J.Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 28; McGriff, Tor 25; Gruber, Tor 23.

National League - Mitchell, SF, Strawberry, NY and Sandberg, Chi 26; Bonilla, and Bonds, Pit 23; Sabo, Cin 22.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 91; J.Canseco, Oak 82; Gruber, Tor 80; McGwire, Oak and Sierra, Tex 71; Bell, Tor 70; Palmeiro, Tex 69.

National League - Carter, SD 92; Bonds, Pit 88; Williams, SF 86; Strawberry, NY 75; Bonilla, Pit 74.

Doubles

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos 38; Boggs, Bos 33; Brett, KC 32; Puckett, Min 31; Harper, Min and Calderon, Chi 30.

National League - Wallach, Mtl 31; Dykstra, Phi 30; Jefferies, NY and Sabo, Cin 29; Bonilla, Pit and McGee, Stl 28.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 15; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos 7; Polonia, Cal, Webster, Cle, Felix, Tor and Eisenreich, KC 6.

National League - L.Smith, Atl 8; Duncan, Cin, Thompson, StL, and Gwynn, SD 7; Bell, Pit, Uribe, SF, Coleman, Stl and Dunston, Chi 6.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 49; Sax, NY 30; Calderon, Chi 29; Pettis, Tex 27; Kelly, NY 25.

National League - Coleman, StL 59; Yelding, Hou 47; Bonds, Pit 38; Nixon, Mtl 35; Samuel, LA, Raines, Mtl and Butler, SF 34.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 84; Fielder, Det 74; Yount, Mil 73; Griffey, Sea, Puckett, Min, Franco, Tex and McGriff, Tor 70.

National League - Bonilla, Pit 86; Sandberg, Chi 85; Dykstra, Phi 82; Bonds, Pit 79; Sabo, Cin 76.

Hits

American League - Griffey, Sea 141; Boggs, Bos 136; Palmeiro, Tex 135;Seit- zer, KC 132; Reed, Bos 128

National League - McGee, StL 150; Dykstra, Phi 144; Gwynn, SD 141; Sandberg, Chi 140; Alomar, SD 134; Larkin, Cin 133.

Pitching

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 18; Clemens, Bos and Stewart, Oak 16; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 15.

National League - Martinez, LA and Viola, NY 15; and Drabek, Pit 14;

Armstrong and Browning, Cin, Gooden, NY, Burkett, SF and Tudor, StL 11.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 100 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 2.16; Finley, Cal 2.36; Stewart, Oak 2.46; McCaskill, Cal 3.06; Saberhagen, KC 3.10.

National League - Tudor, StL 2.45; Viola, NY 2.48; Whitson, SD 2.62; Martinez, LA 2.79; Gardner, Mtl 2.85.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 164; Witt, Tex 151; Ryan, Tex 150; Hanson, Sea 146; Johnson, Sea 138; Langston, Cal 128.

National League - Martinez, LA 174; Gooden, NY 145; Cone, NY 144; DeLeon, StL, 126 and Smoltz, Atl 125.

Saves

American League - Eckersley, Oak and Thigpen, Chi 37; Jones, Cle 30; Schooler, Sea 29; Olson, Bal 26.

National League - Franco, NY 25, Myers, Cin 22; Smith, StL 21, Smith, Hou, 19; Lefferts, SD 18; Brantley, SF 17; McDowell, Phi 16.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 7; Brown, Tex 6; Leary, NY, Saberhagen, KC, Young Sea and Morris, Det 5.

National League - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl, Belcher, LA, Maddux, Chi, Hurst and Whitson, SD and Martinez, Mtl 5.

Shutouts

American League - Stewart, Oak 3; Appier, KC, Perez and King, Chi, Brown and Ryan, Tex, Knudson, Mil, Clemens, Bos, Welch, Oak and Black, Cle 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl and Viola, NY 3; 13 players tied with 2.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - The first time Dwight Evans faced Seattle reliever Mike

Schooler Saturday night, he struck out looking. When Evans returned for another try in the 14th inning, Schooler was the one left looking.

Evans blasted a two-out two-run homer to lift the Boston Red Sox to a 4-2 victory over the Mariners and help his team maintain a two-game lead over Toronto in the American League East.

''This is I think the first hit I've gotten off of him (Schooler),'' Evans said. ''I was frustrated from my last at-bat, but it just made me more aggressive.''

With one out in the 14th, Schooler, 1-4, gave up an infield single to Luis Rivera. One out later, Evans lofted an 0-2 pitch into the left field seats for his 11th homer of the season.

The Red Sox had tied the score 1-1 in the seventh when Mike Greenwell belted a 2-2 pitch from Seattle starter Billy Swift for his seventh homer of the season. Of Greenwell's seven homers, five have tied the game or put Boston ahead.

The homer was just the third allowed by Swift in 94 innings and snapped his22-inning scoreless streak.

Boston went ahead 2-1 in the 11th when, with one out, Carlos Quintana hit a bases-loaded grounder to force Greenwell at second and score Wade Boggs. But Seattle added a run in the bottom of the inning on a Scott Bradley RBI single.

Boston manager Joe Morgan was ejected after arguing that reliever Jeff Gray had struck out Bradley before his game-tying hit.

Rookie right-hander Daryl Irvine, 1-0, hurled the final two innings to notch the victory in his second major league appearance. He retired all six batters he faced.

Irvine, who was called up from Triple A Pawtucket August 4, gave up three Oakland runs in one inning in his first outing with Boston on April 28.

Swift, starting as scheduled after being struck by a Gary Gaetti line drive Sunday, went 7 1-3 innings. He allowed five hits, walked one and struck out two.

--- AROUND THE AL ---

In other AL action, Toronto downed Minnesota 7-4, Texas dropped Chicago 7-5, Oakland pummeled New York 10-1, Cleveland pounded Detroit 13-4, Milwaukee routed Kansas City 11-5, and California slaughtered Baltimore 12-4.

Blue Jays 7, Twins 4

At Toronto, Dave Stieb and Tom Henke combined on a five-hitter and Kelly Gruber hit a two-run homer during a seventh-inning rally to lift Toronto. Stieb, 15-4, allowed five hits over 7 2-3 innings and Henke collected his 24th save. Terry Leach, 2-4, took the loss.

Rangers 7, White Sox 5

At Chicago, Jeff Huson's RBI single and right fielder Sammy Sosa's two-run error keyed a four-run second inning, pacing Texas. Charlie Hough, 10-7, won his third straight decision while Kenny Rogers gained his 12th save. Melido Perez, 10-10, went 7 2-3 innings for the loss.

Athletics 10, Yankees 1

At Oakland, Curt Young, 7-4, pitched 5 2-3 shutout innings as Oakland increased its 1990 mark against New York to 8-0. Yankees rookie Kevin Maas hit his 13th home run of the season. Maas has reached 13 homers faster than anyone in major-league history. He owns 13 homers in 110 at-bats.

Indians 13, Tigers 4

At Cleveland, Candy Maldonado and Chris James hit solo home runs and Mitch Webster added a three-run shot helping Cleveland. Greg Swindell, 8-7, overcame a shaky start to win for the sixth time in his last eight decisions. Colby Ward earned his first major-league save. Dan Petry, 9-8, took the loss.

Brewers 11, Royals 5

At Kansas City, Mo., Rob Deer capped a four-run first inning with a two-run homer and Gary Sheffield drove in three runs to lead Milwaukee, snapping the Royals' four-game winning streak. Winner Ron Robinson, 6-3, survived blowing a four-run lead to pitch his second consecutive complete game.

Angels 12, Orioles 4

At Anaheim, Calif., Chili Davis hit a three-run homer to cap California's seven-run fourth inning and rookie Kent Anderson went 4-for-4. Chuck Finley, 15-5, lowered his ERA to 2.36, second-best in the American League. Brian Downing collected two doubles and a solo homer for the Angels.

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#90224u0191 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AUG. 12) UPI - Tamil separatist rebels wielding automatic weapons, straight razors and knives coated with cyanide attacked three villages in eastern Sri Lanka and killed at least 105 Moslems, military officials said Sunday.

In a separate incident, armed Moslems killed 40 Tamils in an attack Sunday on a Tamil refugee camp in the village of Sammanthurai, about 24 miles south of the eastern provincial capital of Batticaloa, military sources said.

The sources said the attack was staged in retaliation for the killings of seven Moslems earlier Sunday by the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam.

More than 2,000 people have been killed since hostilities between government forces and the Tamil Tigers began in mid-June, when rebels staged simultaneous attacks on four military camps in eastern Sri Lanka.

The Tigers have been fighting for an independent Tamil homeland in the north and east of the country since 1983, but the violence of the past few months came after a year of relative calm.

The Tiger rebels claim that Sri Lanka's minority Tamil community, which is mostly Hindu, needs a separate nation because of years of discrimination by the majority Sinhalese, who are predominantly Buddhist.

In the attack on three adjacent fishing villages near Erovur, about 12 miles north of Batticaloa, Tiger rebels killed at least 105 Moslem villagers, authorities said.

Brigadier Daya Wijesekara, chief spokesman for the Defense Ministry's operations headquarters, said the attacks began Saturday evening and ended about 3 a.m. Sunday.

Wijesekara said Tiger rebels stabbed some of their victims with knives coated with cyanide.

Alavi Mowlana, an official of the Colombo-based Moslem Refugee Organization, said representatives of his group working in the villages told him Tiger rebels also used grenades, automatic weapons and straight razors to attack villagers.

''Groups of Tiger rebels went around with a public address system asking villagers to remain indoors,'' Mowlana said. ''Later, small groups of Tigers ordered men, women and children to come out of their homes. Some were lined up and shot. Hand grenades were hurled into houses where the occupants refused to come out. They also used barber razors to slash some of the victims.''

Military sources said at least 54 survivors were airlifted by Sri Lankan Air Force heliciopters to government hospitals.

One of the survivors was M. H. Habeeba, a 10-year-old girl, who said in a telephone interview from Polonnaruwa Government Hospital that rebels ordered her and her family to stand in a line before the guerrillas opened fire.

''I lost my father, mother, sister and elder brother,'' she said. ''They were lined up in a row and were shot dead. I fell down along with them and surfaced after the attackers left.''

The girl was later found by villagers and evacuated by a government helicopter.

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#90224u0206 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, Greece (AUG. 12) UPI - Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani said Sunday that Iranian forces were capable of policing the gulf region and called U.S. troops a destabalizing factor.

The moderate Iranian president made the remarks in a speech the day after Iran declared it recognized the government of Kuwait ousted by Iraq, its foe in the bitter 8-year gulf war.

Rafsanjani blamed Iraq for starting the current crisis when it invaded Kuwait, but said U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia had made the situation worse.

The United States sent thousands of troops to the gulf last week in order to help Saudi Arabia should Iraqi troops massing along the Kuwaiti border invade the oil-rich kingdom.

Tehran Radio, in a dispatch monitored in Athens, quoted Rafsanjani as saying Iranian forces were capable of providing security in the gulf and would consider it their duty to do so.

The radio report said U.S. analysts had determined Iranian troops could have defeated Iraq in the 1980-88 gulf war if the United States had not come to the assistance of Iraqi President Saddam Husein.

The United States reportedly made contact with Tehran last week, seeking assistance in its effort to drive Iraq out of Kuwait.

There were no immediate reports that Iran was backing up its words by deploying forces along the Iran-Iraq border or in the waters of the gulf.

#90224u0213 08/12/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 12) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker announced Sunday that the United States, acting on a request from the exiled government of Kuwait, will begin blocking shipments from Iraq to enforce a U.N.-ordered trade embargo.

''Those sanctions have to be implemented. We now have a formal request from the legitimate government of Kuwait to take measures to implement those sanctions, and we intend to do that,'' Baker said on the ABC program ''This Week with David Brinkley.''

Declining to give any kind of timetable for the operation, Baker said the measures the United Sates will take, perhaps in concert with other foreign forces in the Middle East, ''will be those measures that are necessary and proportional under the circumstances.''

The United Nations approved the Chapter 7 sanctions against Iraq after Iraqi troops stormed into Kuwait Aug. 2 and took control of the oil-rich emirate.

With receipt of the formal request from the Kuwaitis, whose ruling family for the past 250 years was ousted by the Iraqi invasion, Baker said the military quarantine could begin ''almost instantly.''

Made under Article 51 of the U.N. Charter, Baker said the request gives the United States and other countries ''a legal basis for stopping the export of oil and that sort of thing.''

''Let's not use the word blockade,'' Baker said. ''Let's simply say that we now have the ability - the legal basis - for interdicting those kinds of shipments.''

The development came as the reported approach of an Iraqi ship to a Saudi port raised the specter of a showdown over enforcement of the sanctions. President Bush said Saturday that he considered the U.N. resolution on sanctions to be sufficient legal authority for the United States to stop and search ships suspected of carrying prohibited products to or from Iraq or Kuwait.

Earlier Sunday in Baghdad, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein called on his nation to get prepared for a trade embargo and international sanctions imposed in retaliation for the invasion of Kuwait.

Before Baker made the disclosure, Abdul Amir al-Anbari, the Iraqi ambassador to the United Nations, predicted his country would be able to withstand the embargo and asserted ''the whole world, including the United States, will suffer due to higher oil prices.

Interviewed as well on ABC, al-Anbari said the United States, now flirting with recession, could well soon ''face depression'' from higher prices and charged, ''You are endangering the whole world, really, in a crisis which is the sole respnsibility of the United States.''

Baker said, ''The government of Kuwait, the legitimate government of Kuwait, has just requested of us and of other nations support for enforcement of the U.N. economic sanctions.''

Baker went on to say ''there's no reason why it shouldn't begin fairly quickly now that Kuwait has made the request.''

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#90224u0217 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 12) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev has given illegal armies in the Soviet Union an additional two months to surrender their weapons, the government newspaper said Sunday.

Gorbachev extended his July 25 decree, which ordered the breakup of vigilante bands, amid reports that it was being widely ignored in the country's 15 republics and after he met with the new president of Armenia, the decree's chief target.

''I declare the prolongment for a term of two months the period of voluntary disarmament of illegal military units equipped with weapons, explosive materials and combat vehicles,'' Gorbachev said in a follow-up decree published in Izvestia, the official newspaper of the Soviet government.

The original decree authorized Interior Ministry and KGB forces, aided by regular army soldiers if necessary, to disarm vigilante groups that failed to turn in their weapons by Aug. 9, but the deadline passed Thursday with no offensive action by Soviet troops.

Gen. Vladimir Ovchinnikov, chief of staff for Interior Ministry forces in the Nagorno-Karabakh region of Azerbaijan, told Soviet television Saturday evening that Interior Minister Vadim Bakatin had sent him an order outlining steps to enforce Gorbachev's decree.

''All those measures have been taken with our troops,'' he said. ''The equipment, arms and personnel have been prepared.''

Ovchinnikov accused Armenian extremists of exacerbating tensions in their 2 1/2-year drive to pry Nagorno-Karabakh from the neighboring republic of Azerbaijan, which has controlled the region since 1923 despite its mainly Armenian population.

Levon Ter-Petrosyan, the Armenian nationalist elected president of his republic's parliament on Aug. 4, told visiting U.N. Deputy Secretary-General Yasushi Akashi on Saturday that the ''just settlement'' of the Nagorno-Karabakh problem was one of his highest priorities, the official Tass news agency said.

The Armenian Parliament rejected Gorbachev's decree shortly after he issued it. At a meeting initiated by the Soviet president, Ter-Petrosyan told Gorbachev last week that he could oversee the disarming of Armenian vigilante bands if given more time.

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#90224u0226 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (AUG. 12) UPI - Despite a federal ban on subliminal advertising and claims that a subliminal message on a rock album caused two deaths, there is little evidence that such messages influence behavior, psychologists said Sunday.

Although scores of articles have been written and debates waged about the propriety of exposing people to messages in words or pictures that they are not aware of, studies have yet to turn up any solid evidence that these hidden influences work, members of a panel of researchers said at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association.

In the largest study of its kind to date, Anthony Greenwald and colleagues at the University of Washington in Seattle had 240 people listen to self-help audio tapes, some of which were supposed to contain buried messages and some which did not.

The tape makers claimed that subliminal messages they had included helped to increase the self-esteem, improve the memories or help weight reduction efforts among listeners, Greenwald said.

But when researchers compared people who had listened to tapes with the subliminal messages and those who did not, they could find nothing to support the claims, Greenwald said. In fact, tapes without the hidden messages seemed to have a greater effect on study participants than those with them, he said.

The ability of subliminal messages to affect behavior has been at the center of a trial in Reno, Nev., in which lawyers for the families of two young men who shot themselves in 1985 claimed that they were spurred to do it by words buried in the soundtrack of an album by the British rock group Judas Priest.

In a product liability case against the band and CBS Records, lawyers

representing the families of James Vance and Ray Belknap have tried to prove that the words ''Do it, do it'' were hidden under the music.

Their families have said it was this message that led Vance and Belknap to go to a playground in Sparks, Nev., on Dec. 23, 1985 and shoot themselves with a 12-gauge sawed-off shotgun. Belknap, 18, died instantly and Vance, who was then 20, died in 1988 from complications stemming from his injuries.

In arguments before Washoe District Court Judge Jerry Carr Whitehead, defense lawyers claimed last week that Vance and Belknap, both high school dropouts with drug use histories, were spurred to suicide by their troubled lives, not by any hidden message on the Judas Priest album. A decision in the case is expected shortly.

One member of the psychologists' panel, Philip Merkle of the University of Waterloo in Ontario, Canada, said his laboratory analysis of audio tapes that were supposed to contain subliminal messages did not detect any identifiable speech underlying the soundtrack.

In addition, he said listeners could not discern any difference between tapes that allegedly had hidden messages and those that did not.

''On the basis of these results, the only reasonable conclusion is that these audio cassettes do not contain any embedded subliminal message that could conceivably influence behavior,'' he said.

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#90224u0229 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 12) UPI - Amid objections from environmentalists, Interior Department wildlife experts have concluded that Australian kangaroo populations are healthy and in no need of U.S. endangered species protection.

In a report released by the Interior Department's Fish and Wildlife Service last week, the experts said protective legislation in Australia has kept the population of kangaroos abundant, despite commercial operations that kill millions of them every year for food and leather.

Animal protection groups charge the new report by the Fish and Wildlife Service is misleading and that kangaroos are on their way to becoming an endangered species.

The groups also vowed to organize a boycott this autumn against corporations that sell shoes and other sports items made from kangaroos. Among the companies included in the boycott are the Addidas Corporation, the Burton Manufacturing Company Inc., Puma and the Nocona Athletic Goods

Company.

The federal experts went to Australia in response to a petition from environmental groups asking that a U.S. ban on kangaroo products be re-imposed. Twenty-one members of Congress also asked for reinstatement of the ban.

The ban was put into effect in 1975 because of dwindling kangaroo populations. It was lifted in 1981 after the Australian government presented the Interior Department with studies that found the animal had recovered.

The new report by the Fish and Wildlife Service confirms Australian claims saying kangaroo populations are more abundant today than before Europeans arrived to settle Australia.

The report estimates the current kangaroo population to be about 18 million, up from the early 1980's, when populations were depleted because of severe drought in several areas - not over-exploitation.

The experts also found Australia has effective laws protecting the kangaroo and that government officials have successfully managed commercial use of the species as well as hunting.

Australian law limits the yearly take of kangaroos to 4 million and provides for steep financial penalties for illegally killing or exporting kangaroos.

The Interior Department experts said if commercial use of kangaroos in Australia is stopped, farmers would probably resort to large-scale poisoning of kangaroos to protect their crops. The report estimates Australian farmers lose about $200 million per year as a result of kangaroos damaging crops and denuding grazing areas reserved for livestock.

Marian Newman, director of the International Wildlife Coalition, said the report is inaccurate because it is based on false information from Australian farmers, businesses and government officials intent on preserving kangaroo operations.

''If the Interior Department caves in once again to the pressure from the Australian government to continue the harmful trade in kangaroo products, the result will hasten the extinction of Australia's legendary kangaroos, all for the short-term profits of a few greedy individuals who care nothing about their country's irreplaceable wildlife,'' said Newman.

Leilani Anderson, a wildlife expert for Greenpeace, said that even if the report's estimate of 18 million kangaroos is correct, the animal still needs U.S endangered species protection.

Anderson said poor kangaroo management in Australia is allowing the animal to be over-exploited. She noted the current commercial quotas in Australia allow almost one quarter of the reported population of kangaroos to be wiped out each year.

The commercial quotas, Anderson said, do not take into consideration outside forces that could reduce kangaroo populations such as floods and disease. Further, the quotas were set without an understanding of how kangaroo populations affect the ecosystems in Australia.

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#90224u0238 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

AMMAN, Jordan (AUG. 12) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein demanded Sunday that U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia be replaced with a U.N.-supervised Arab force, that Israel pull out of occupied territories and an international trade embargo be lifted.

Saddam's demands were contained in a so-called initiative read by an unnamed spokesman on Baghdad radio, monitored in Amman.

The Iraqi leader, who has ordered his nation to prepare for war amid indications that U.N. economic sanctions were working, threatened the use of force if the West did not accept his demands.

''If America and its allies will not accept this initiative, we will resist by force,'' Saddam said through his spokesman, according to a translation provided by Cable News Network. ''We the chosen of the Arab world, with all the evil action against us, we will be victorious.''

There was no immediate reaction to the demands. The world community, including the United States, the United Nations and the 21-member Arab League, has demanded an unconditional Iraqi pullout from Kuwait.

Under the ''initiative'' read on Iraqi TV and radio, the Iraqi president demanded the unconditional withdrawal of Israel from the occupied territories and Lebanon.

He asked for the U.N. Security Council to oversee the armed forces in Saudi Arabia and have the other nations, particularly the United States, withdraw and leave an all-Arab force in the kingdom.

Finally, he demanded the lifting of economic sanctions imposed by the United Nations against Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion and conquest of neighboring Kuwait.

The latest statement came hours after the Iraqi president, again through

his spokesman, told his citizens to cut back on consumption of food and other essentials in an apparent indication that the trade embargo was working.

Also Saturday, the Iraqi News Agency reported that pilots had offered to carry out suicide missions against U.S. naval vessels in the Persian Gulf in the spirit of Jules Jamal, a Syrian who staged a suicide attack against British and French ships in 1956.

''In a cable received by ... Saddam ... the group affirmed its determination to obtain martyrdom in defense of Iraq, as well as the sanctities of the Arab and Islamic nation,'' the news agency reported.

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#90224u0249 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 12) UPI - Members of the 82nd Airborne Division who flew to Saudi Arabia's vast desert last week were somber and professional, but worried their gas masks would be useless against Iraqi chemical weapons, a pilot said Sunday.

Chris Taylor was flight engineer on a DC-10 World Airways jet that transported 246 elite soldiers on Aug. 9 to Dhahran, a Saudi city sandwiched between the waters of the Persian Gulf and the sands of the desert, about 200 miles from the Kuwaiti border.

Taylor said he watched as the exhausted troops piled onto trucks at the airport and were driven off into the wasteland, where, he was told, they would be housed in bunkers built underground to shelter them from the searing sun.

''They loaded onto trucks and they just disappeared in the horizon,'' Taylor said in a telephone interview from his home outside of Washington, D.C. ''They went off into the desert.''

''They were stressing they were afraid of the chemicals,'' Taylor said of the soldiers. ''They all had gas masks, but there was a knowledge, a fear, that that was not going to be enough.''

Iraq is believed to have a considerable arsenal of internationally outlawed chemical weapons that President Saddam Hussein used against civilian populations during the eight-year Iran-Iraq war.

Back in the air, Taylor said he scanned the Saudi frontier and across to what he believed to be Kuwait, but saw no evidence of the Iraqi military buildup on the border that has left the world preparing for war.

''It was just desolate. Sand looks like sand,'' he said. ''But this was

early in the operation.

''The airspace between Spain and Brussels was just full of military aircraft, though,'' he said. ''It was just an unbelievable amount of military traffic.''

The Military Airlift Command - ordered to send American troops into Saudi Arabia in case Iraqi troops massing in occupied Kuwait invade the oil-rich kingdom - chartered two World Airways DC-10s to transport members of the 82nd Airborne from Pope Air Force Base in North Carolina to Dhahran.

Taylor, a sort of hired gun in the world of transport, had been flying Malaysian Moslems to Mecca in Saudi Arabia for the Hajj, the venerated trip to the holy city of Islam that all Moslems hope to make at least once in their lifetimes.

Taylor, who joined the plane in Belgium, said the U.S. troops were in full combat gear and spent much of the flight being briefed with maps and charts projected on the plane's movie screen.

''The mood was very professional, and well-organized,'' he said. ''There didn't seem to be a lot of younger guys. They were the elite.''

Taylor said one of the commanders came into the cockpit during the flight and used the radio to order more mines and extra trucks to be sent to Dhahran.

There were few Saudis at the Dhahran airport, which serves both military and commercial planes, Taylor said. American officers directed the operation from an air-conditioned headquarters building that had advanced communications equipment and soda machines.

''It was a well-oiled operation, very well-thought out, very professional '' Taylor said.

''No one was ready to fight,'' he said of the troops, tired after their long flight. ''They basically looked beat.''

From his experiences with the Hajj, Taylor knew the Saudis did not allow photographs, so he had a fellow crew member shield his camera while he took pictures of the U.S. troops in formation, poring over maps and loading onto trucks. He sold the photographs to United Press International when he returned to the United States the following day.

Taylor said World Airways, a struggling airline with 10 DC-10 charter planes, was scheduled to fly in more of the estimated 50,000 troops the United States is deploying to Saudi Arabia.

''My overall view was that it was desolate,'' Taylor said. ''It's going to be rough going for those poor guys.''

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#90224u0285 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

SINGAPORE (AUG. 12) UPI - Chinese Premier Li Peng said Sunday Beijing was against superpower involvement in Iraq's invasion of Kuwait but respected Saudi Arabia's right to invite U.S. military forces to help maintain its safety.

After two days of talks aimed at accelerating diplomatic ties with Singapore, Li also told a news conference Beijing will stop arming the Khmer Rouge when others cease their assistance. He expressed the hope of normalizing relations with Vietnam once the 11-year-old Cambodian conflict is resolved.

On the Middle East, Li noted that China supported U.N. Resolution 660 and will not sell arms to Iraq.

But he said China ''opposes big power military involvement because that will only further complicate the situation which is complicated enough.''

Thousands of U.S. military personnel, a naval task force and air armada are already deployed in and around Saudi Arabia.

The Soviet Union, Britain, France, West Germany, Canada, Australia and Belgium have also committed forces in response to the invasion.

Li said the Arab League provides the proper framework for nations in the region to work toward a solution. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak has ordered 5,000 paratroopers to deploy in Saudi Arabia as a Pan-Arab defense force following the league's failure to persuade Iraq to leave Kuwait.

''Saudi Arabia is a sovereign state,'' Li said. ''If it wants to invite U.S. armed forces to help maintain its safety out of security considerations, then we respect the decision.''

Meanwhile, with both Singapore Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew and President Suharto of Indonesia urging Li to convince the Khmer Rouge to abide by a U.N.-based settlement of the bloodshed in Cambodia, Li said he backed the formation of a Supreme National Council comprising all the warring parties prior to free elections under U.N. supervision.

China will halt arms to the Khmer Rouge, the most powerful of the resistance factions fighting the Vietnam-backed Phnom Penh government, ''once a comprehensive agreement is reached and others cease their assistance,'' Li said.

The Soviet Union bankrolls Hanoi, and the United States provides non-lethal aide to the non-communist guerrillas.

''China would like to normalize relations with Vietnam after a settlement of the Cambodian'' conflict, Li said.

He criticized the recent U.S. policy shift withdrawing diplomatic recognition of the resistance at the United Nations as long as it includes the Khmer Rouge, blamed for the deaths of 1 million Cambodians from 1975 through 1979.

''The seat should not be vacated,'' Li said. ''That would not work in the interest'' of peace.''

After successfully normalizing relations with Indonesia last Wednesday following a 23-year freeze, Li said he and Lee ''have reached a wide agreement without any major problems'' toward establishing diplomatic ties.

Li, the first senior Chinese leader in almost a decade to visit Singapore, said the process would be completed ''as expeditiously as possible.''

Officials expect ties to be formally normalized during the first two weeks of November, before Lee steps down as prime minister of the city-state he has ruled for 31 years.

Singapore and the tiny sultanate of Brunei have refused to normalize relations with China out of deference to Indonesia although business between Singapore and China has flourished, with two-way trade growing from $407 million in 1977 to $2.82 billion last year.

While normalizing relations with Singapore would amount to another diplomatic feather in Beijing's cap, it would be a setback for Taiwan, now recognized by about 20 foreign countries. Last nonth Beijing sealed ties with Saudi Arabia. In response, Taipei suspended diplomatic relations with Riyadh but maintained economic and cultural relationships with Saudi Arabia.

It was expected Singapore would follow a similar procedure.

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#90224u0324 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 12) UPI - Jurors began their fourth day of deliberations Sunday in the attempted murder and rape trial of three youths accused of attacking a woman jogger in Central Park.

The 10-man, two-woman jury resumed discussions at 11 a.m. in state Supreme

Court in Manhattan.

Raymond Santana, 15, Antron McCray, 16, and Yusef Salaam, 16, are on trial for the brutal beating and gang rape of a 30-year-old female investment banker during a random crime spree in Central Park on April 19, 1989.

The three are also charged with assaulting two male joggers - 41-year-old schoolteacher John Loughlin and 31-year-old banker David Lewis - and robbing Loughlin of a portable radio.

On Saturday, the three teens on trial chatted and smiled as the jury filed into the courtroom at state Supreme Court to hear legal instructions on reaching a verdict on robbery charges.

The jury also listened to a videotaped confession by Santana, the only one of the youths to talk about the robbery of a radio headset from a male jogger in the park.

In their videotaped confessions and in interviews with detectives, the youths admit to being part of a gang of up to 30 teens who went into the moonlit park to go ''wilding'' - randomly beating and robbing people.

The jury of 10 men and two women, in its sixth note since the start of deliberations, Saturday asked Justice Thomas Galligan to explain again the law concerning first-degree robbery and two counts of second-degree robbery. The charges are part of a 13-count indictment against each of the youths.

Galligan told the jurors that to convict on first-degree robbery, the jury must find the youths used a dangerous instrument during the course of the robbery.

The youths confessed the gang used a piece of wood - possibly a tree branch - to beat Loughlin into unconsciousness. Loughlin later stumbled upon a police officer in the park, and the officer testified Loughlin looked like he had been ''dumped in a bucket of blood.''

The judge explained that a conviction on the first second-degree count required a finding of physical injury. The second count required a finding that the person aided someone in a robbery or was aided by others in a robbery, the judge said.

With the instructions fresh in their minds, the jurors filed out of the courtroom without glancing at the teens as they passed the defense table.

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#90224u0340 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

ANKARA, Turkey (AUG. 12) UPI - The Turkish Parliament met in an emergency session Sunday to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis amid reports that the government will seek special powers to declare war.

The Istanbul newspaper Hurriyet quoted President Turgut Ozal as saying the government of Prime Minister Yildirim Akbulut would introduce a bill asking for special powers to declare war in case of an emergency.

Under the constitution, only Parliament has the right to declare war.

The Parliament, which was in its summer recess when the crisis erupted with the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, was called into special session on request of the Social Democratic Populist Party, the main opposition group.

Turkey saw itself being drawn into the gulf conflict when it closed twin Iraqi oil pipelines passing through its territory after the U.N. Security Council imposed economic sanctions on Iraq.

Iraqi forces have since been reported building up near the Turkish border, and Turkish warplanes were reportedly on exercises in the region.

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#90224u0344 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

TUNIS, Tunisia (AUG. 12) UPI - Tunisian President Zine el Abidine Ben Ali moved a step closer toward Iraq by condemning Western military intervention in the Persian Gulf conflict, but stopped short of giving direct support to President Saddam Hussein.

Ben Ali, in a televised address Saturday night, distanced himself from other Arab leaders such as Hosni Mubarak of Egypt who have joined the multinational force opposing Saddam's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Although Tunisia has long been considered among the more moderate Arab states, Ben Ali appeared to be yielding to increasing political pressure from supporters of Saddam's call for a ''holy war.''

In a direct call to the Moslem masses, Saddam Friday urged Arabs to revolt against rulers ''who do not know sense of honor'' and rise up in a jihad, or holy war, against the Western presence in Saudi Arabia, site of Islam's holiest sites.

By issuing the impassioned appeal, Saddam went over the heads of Arab leaders who were struggling to find a diplomatic way to end the Persian Gulf crisis, triggered by Iraq's conquest of its neighbor Kuwait.

Libya and the PLO are the only two Arab League members siding with Iraq in the crisis.

Although the Tunisian leader had apparently been seeking to remain neutral in the conflict, he has been under pressure from pro-Iraqi opposition groups feeding off popular sentiment.

These groups sought to organize an anti-American rally last Friday in Tunis but were denied permission by the government. Pro-Iraqi demonstrations, which had occurred for days in Jordan, spread during the weekend to Yemen, Libya, Algeria and the Israeli-occupied territories.

Fundamentalists in Tunisia, including the unauthorized Ennahda party, have been critical of Western intervention but have stopped short of taking sides against Saudi Arabia, which provides them with financial aid.

''As an Arab and Moslem nation, Tunisia refuses to confer an imaginary legitimacy on the foreign intervention in the affairs of the Arab world,'' Ben Ali said.

''That does not serve Arab interests nor the interests of peace and security in the region, but only further complicates the matter by internationalizing it and pushing the principal parties in conflict to greater obstination.''

Tunisia boycotted Friday's Arab summit after seeking a delay in the Cairo meeting, and up to now had been noncommital on the growing conflict.

Ben Ali said in his address that the rushed atmosphere of the meeting made it doomed to failure.

He also said he had asked for a delay so could have time to travel to Baghdad ''to convince Saddam Hussein of the necessity of reaching an agreement that takes into account the interests of the conflicting parties and preserves the unity of the Arab nation.''

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#90224u0355 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (AUG. 12) UPI - A dolphin protection activist has asked the FBI to pursue attempted murder charges against private Navy contractors whose boats allegedly ran over two protesters trying to halt an explosives test off the Florida Keys.

''I think the charge should be attempted murder on the high seas. It was very clearly deliberate and malicious,'' said Ric O'Barry, one of the two injured protesters.

The FBI confirmed Sunday it was investigating Friday's incident, but would not disclose details.

''The FBI is in the process of conducting an investigation to determine if there were any violations of any federal criminal statutes,'' FBI spokesman Paul Miller said.

O'Barry, who trained dolphins for the Flipper television series, and Russ Rector, said they were run over by two boats Friday while swimming near the test area. They were trying to halt the detonation of a 1,200-pound charge.

The Navy was using the underwater explosives to test new submarine parts near the Dry Tortugas, 85 miles west of Key West. The protesters said the test could endanger dolphins in the test area, a charge the Navy denied.

O'Barry suffered a concussion and several bruises. Rector, 42, of Orlando, suffered back and hip injuries and a dislocated shoulder. They were rescued by the Coast Guard and treated at Florida Keys Memorial Hospital.

The boats involved, a tugboat and a 16-foot Boston whaler, were run by civilians under contract with the Navy, O'Barry said.

''The ships actually chased after us and repeatedly tried to kill me,'' said O'Barry, who later learned that the explosives had already been detonated and the test was over.

''It was over and they were on their way home. All they had to do was leave. They were not hired as security officers. Why were they even chasing us?'' he said.

O'Barry, who was back home in Miami Sunday, said he was questioned by an FBI agent from his hospital bed. He said he and Rector had volunteered to take lie detector tests.

The official in charge of the testing, Dan Probert, head of the Naval Air Development Center in Key West, could not be reached for comment Sunday. He said earlier that the protesters and the boats collided when the protesters tried to swim under the boats to the test site.

O'Barry had delayed the test for a day Thursday by clinging to a buoy over the explosives.

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#90224u0382 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 12) UPI - The Pentagon said that a U.S. sergeant died Sunday in an apparent accident at an air base in Saudi Arabia and the incident is under investigation.

Air Foce Sgt. John Campsi, assigned to Offit Air Force Base, Neb., died in an apparent accident at the air facility in Saudi Arabia. The accident occurred at 6:40 a.m. Saudi Arabian time.

''Circumstances involved in the accident are under investigation at this time,'' Pentagon spokesman Maj. Doug Hart said in a statement.

No further information was immediately available on the accident.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

San Francisco - Released pitcher Atlee Hammaker; recalled outfielder Rick Parker from Phoenix of the Pacific Coast League (AAA).

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#90224u0442 08/12/1990 ~United Press International
KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 12) UPI - As Saddam Hussein took to Middle Eastern airwaves Sunday warning that ''many will burn'' if war breaks out, President Bush went to a shaded New England road for a relaxing 20-minute jog.

While Saddam proposed tough conditions for the withdrawal of his troops from conquered Kuwait, including the removal of U.S. forces from the oil-rich Persian Gulf, the White Houe declined any immediate comment and Bush went fishing.

Later Sunday, with the international screws tightening on the Iraqi leader Bush made time for golf, confident he had Saddam where he wanted him - in a corner of global isolation.

''You're doing a good job, Mr. President,'' a man screamed out as a beaming Bush entered St. Ann's Episopal Church for a morning service.

Bush, on a three-week working vacation at his summer home, was clearly pleased Sunday with the mounting international condemnation of Saddam, underscored with growing global muscle.

For his part, Saddam demanded Sunday that U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia be replaced with a U.N.-supervised Arab force, that Israel pull out of occupied territories and that an international trade embargo be lifted.

The Iraqi president's demands were contained in a so-called initiative

read by a spokesman on Baghdad radio. Saddam, who has ordered his nation to prepare for war amid indications that U.N. economic sanctions were working, threatened the use of force if the West did not accept his demands.

Just hours earlier Sunday, Bush telephoned Syrian President Hafez Assad to thank him for committing troops to a multinational force against Saddam.

''I told him I am very pleased that we are looking at this in the same way '' Bush told reporters in relating his call to Assad.

The president said he also told Assad that ''we are determined to fulfill the obligations that we have'' to enforce U.N.-backed economic sanctions against Iraq.

''He (Assad) told me that he was pleased that we're together on this,'' Bush said.

After days of increasingly strong hints, the administration stated flatly Sunday that U.S. forces would interdict any Iraqi ship seeking to leave port.

Secretary of States James Baker made the announcement during an appearance on ABC's ''This Week with David Brinkley.''

Baker said the United States was taking the action on the request of the exiled government of Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

As Baker spoke, Bush jogged.

Asked by reporters about the secretary of state's remarks, the president said, ''I didn't hear him.''

Asked about intercepting Iraqi ships, he said, ''We felt (U.N) Chapter 7 (economic sanctions) gives us broad authority, working in conjunction with others, to do what is necessary to see that no (Iraqi) oil goes out.''

He then climbed in his black limousine and headed back to his summer home to prepare for an afternoon of recreation - while half way around the world Saddam felt the heat.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 12) UPI - As American military might poured into the Persian Gulf region, the fate of an uncertain number of American civilians hung over the U.S. war of nerves against Iraq like an ominous question mark.

Barred by Iraqi authorities from leaving, as many as 3,500 Americans in Iraq and Kuwait have emerged as pawns and possible bargaining chips in the tense showdown President Bush has engineered with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

In a bid to avoid any further inflammation of an already explosive situation, U.S. officials have taken pains to not sound unduly alarmed about their safety or raise the specter of another Middle East hostage crisis.

Abdul Amir al-Anbari, the Iraqi ambassador to the United Nations, said on the ABC News program ''This Week with David Brinkley'' that all foreigners were being detained for ''quite understandable'' reasons with his country on a war footing.

''We are in a state of emergency,'' he said, ''and we have to make sure that everyone is not only safe, but to know what was he doing there. But eventually they will be all released.''

That was only the latest in a series of ambiguous signals from the Iraqi government since the Americans, like tens of thousands of other foreigners found themselves stranded by the Aug. 2 Iraqi takeover of Kuwait.

For their part, U.S. officials have underscored Bush's determination to protect Americans lives, a commitment that on three previous occasions has driven him to send American troops into crisis situations, while being careful to not lay down specific markers for action.

National security adviser Brent Scowcroft acknowledged on the CBS News program ''Face the Nation'' that hostages ''have been a neuralgic issue in American politics on previous occasions'' - first in Iran and later in Lebanon - and said, ''We're trying to handle it in a way that it does not become that.''

''It may,'' Scowcroft said of the current confrontation, ''but I don't want to forecast that, nor say how we will respond.''

Secretary of State James Baker said on ABC that prohibiting the Americans from leaving ''runs against all international behavior norms,'' but drew a certain degree of encouragement from the fact that U.S. citizens had been treated the same as other foreigners.

''They've not been permitted to leave, but they haven't been mistreated,'' he said, ''and no specific demands or requests have been made for permission for them to leave.''

Eleven Americans, including a 10-year-old California girl, were allowed to

cross the Iraqi border into Jordan on Saturday after several unsuccessful attempts. Except for the the girl, Penelope Nabokov, they were all staff members or dependents from the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad.

Despite reports of counter-terrorist forces in place along with other American troops in and near the Persian Gulf, U.S. officials held out hope the waiting game being played out against a backdrop of a massive buildup of military forces along the Saudi-Kuwaiti border will lead to freedom for the Americans and other foreigners under Iraqi control.

Complicating the situation was the lack of a precise estimate of how many Americans may be involved. Although U.S. officials thought there were 3,000 Americans in Kuwait and more than 500 in Iraq in the immediate aftermath of the Iraqi invasion, the State Department was able Friday to confirm the presence of only 1,600.

A reported deal Sunday for the release of most of the 8,700 Soviet citizens in Iraq and Kuwait raised questions about any conditions the Soviet government may have met and what, if anything, the development could mean for the trapped Americans.

Scowcroft, however, doubted the Soviets would mute their criticism of the Iraqi invasion or back away from a U.N.-ordered trade embargo. The Soviets ''have been very supportive'' of the U.S.-led campaign against Iraq, he said, ''and we see no reason that should change.''

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(AUG. 12) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is calling on his nation to prepare for war. In a speech read by a government spokesman today, Saddam assured Iraqi women there was enough food, but asked them to cut back on meat and other foodstuffs, including bread. Saddam said the current crisis could escalate into another war, and said- quote- ''We will defeat the conspiracy against us.''

Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat came under fire today in Egypt's government-owned newspaper. The newspaper's chief editor criticized Arafat for trying to divert attention away from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait when the matter was discussed at an Arab League summit last week. The editor said it was clear Arafat was NOT interested in reaching a decisive conclusion.

Colombian police shot and killed the Number-two man in the Medellin cocaine cartel last night. Gustavo Gaviria Rivero was gunned down as he fired an Uzi machine gun at police during a firefight at his apartment in Medellin. Gaviria was the cousin of the cartel's reputed leader, Pablo Escobar, who remains in hiding.

The verdict in the drug and perjury trial of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry prompted angry protest in Colombia. A top Colombian official in Bogota says Barry's conviction Friday on one minor count out of 14 federal charges has provoked doubts about the Bush administration's commitment to fighting cocaine use. The case has been intensely watched in Colombia.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - Hundreds of wildfires are burning in six Western states this morning, despite the efforts of 19-thousand firefighters. In California, wildfires have burned about 15-thousand acres at Yosemite National Park and forced the 761-thousand-acre park to close for the first time. A National Park Service spokeswoman says Yosemite's famous sequoia trees have been protected with flame retardant.

Researchers at the State University of New York at Buffalo say their survey indicates most people feel compassionate about the plight of homeless people. The researchers presented their findings at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association in Boston yesterday. They say nearly 60 percent of those polled- both in Buffalo and nationwide- are willing to pay higher taxes to help attack the root causes of homelessness.

Entertainer Bobby Berosini has won a four-point-two-Million-dollar defamation and invasion of privacy lawsuit against the group People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals and four other defendants. Berosini filed the lawsuit last year after the animal rights group released a secretly made videotape it said showed Berosini beating his trained orangutans backstage at Las Vegas' Stardust Hotel-Casino.

Actor Rob Lowe reached an out-of-court settlement in a federal lawsuit alleging he seduced a 16-year-old girl two years ago during the 1988 Democratic Convention in Atlanta. A published report says Lowe reached agreement with the girl's mother, who says Lowe seduced her daughter. Last fall, the actor settled a claim brought by the girl's father and agreed to perform two years of community service to avoid prosecution.

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MANILA, Philippines (AUG. 12) UPI - The Philippines, which has about 70,000 workers in the Persian Gulf region, will not join the any military moves against Iraq, Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus said Sunday.

In a statement, Manglapus said, ''The Philippines has no plans of participating in any military action in the Middle East and that its

paramount concern is the safety and welfare of the hundreds of thousands of Filipinos working in that region.''

Manglapus also announced Baghdad is allowing Filipinos to leave Iraq and Kuwait and that Amman was allowing Philippine nationals to leave through Jordan.

There are about 60,000 Filipino workers in Kuwait and another 5,000 in Iraq.

Manglapus said Philippine officials in Saudi Arabia had been instructed to prepare for the evacuation of the workers.

Some 200 Filipinos who escaped from Kuwait have returned to Manila by commercial flights, paying their own fare.

President Corazon Aquino, meanwhile, in her weekly radio talk show called on Filipinos to conserve energy.

''In the face of the possibility of a protracted war which would inevitably affect the price of oil it is but timely that we become aware of the value of this scarce resource,'' Aquino said.

Aquino said her government had arranged for Iran to fill in oil exports from Iraq and that negotiations were underway to purchase oil from China and other countries outside the Middle East.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 12) UPI - More than 5,000 hoofers, from enthusiastic children to elderly vaudeville veterans, packed a Manhattan street Sunday to form the world's largest tap-dancing line.

This year's version of ''Tap-O-Mania,'' sponsored by the Macy's department store chain, drew 5,271 dancers, enough for a world record, Macy's said.

The old Guinness book record tap line, they said, was 4,877, set last year in the annual Macy's event.

For 30 minutes, tappers clad in bright orange T-shirts and wearing styrofoam boaters packed 34th Street in front of the entire length of the flagship Macy's store, tapping to ''Candy Man'' and ''If You Could See Me Now,'' tunes made popular by the late Sammy Davis Jr.

Mechanical guns spewed multi-colored discs onto the cheering crowd lined up in untidy rows outside the mammoth store. Tap ''captains'' marshaled 20-member teams into a semblance of order.

Gina Riley, 15, a dancer since age 4, said most participants seemed to know what they were doing, or at least had learned the steps during a morning practice that began at 8 a.m.

''Most of them don't know how to tap,'' she said. ''But today it wasn't that hard, just some basic steps.''

''It's like a puzzle with a million different pieces,'' added a companion, Andrew LeMin, 17. ''Once you put it all together, it becomes like a universal step, and you can do anything.''

Susan Rosenblatt and Gertrude Schnur said their young daughters convinced them to make the trip into midtown Manhattan from Queens.

''I love to dance, but you don't have to know how to dance,'' said Rosenblatt, 40. ''Some people were really into it. But no matter how much you fumble during rehearsals, when the music starts, you just go 'oomph.'''

Shnur, 65, said the dancing exhausted her.

''Our feet were burning, aching,'' she said. ''But now I feel better.''

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#90224u0628 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 12) UPI - Pakistan's ousted prime minister, Benazir Bhutto, says she'll petition the Pakistani Supreme Court to declare her dismissal UNconstitutional. Bhutto also says her party will continue preparing for October's general elections. President Khan dismissed Bhutto last Monday, charging her administration with corruption.

West Germany's Free Democratic Party has merged with three East German centrist parties to form the first all-German political organization. The new party is called F-D-P The Liberals. The F-D-P has NEVER captured a majority in West Germany, but has been instrumental in helping the leading party form a coalition. The party says its aim is ''to fill German unity with a liberal spirit.''

A study by a Central Michigan researcher suggests that children apparently are reliable, consistent eyewitnesses. Child psychologist Debra Poole says children stick to their stories through repeated interrogations if they are NOT asked leading questions. Poole subjected 133 individuals in four age groups- including adults- to a live event... and later asked them to tell what they saw. She says children are just as accurate as adults if they are asked appropriate questions.

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#90224u0674 08/12/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 12) UPI - The British government says it has a report that one of its citizens was shot in Kuwait near the Saudia Arabian border. The British Foreign Office in London says it has demanded confirmation of the report from Iraqi officials, saying if Iraqi troops shot the civilian it would be a- quote- ''barbaric incident, which will deeply shock the world community.'' Details of last night's shooting were NOT released and it was NOT clear if the man was trying to flee Iraq.

Further evidence of the widening divisions in the Arab world. Yasser Arafat came under harsh criticism today in the Egyptian media. The editor of a government-owned newspaper blasted the leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization in a front-page editorial. The editor says Arafat tried to divert attention away from the Persian Gulf crisis during the recent emergency Arab League summit held to discuss the issue.

Military officials in Sri Lanka say at least 105 Moslem were killed in rebel attacks on three eastern villages that ended early today. A Defense Ministry spokesman says the rebels used automatic weapons, straight razors and knives coated with cyanide in the assaults. Military sources say at least 54 people survived the attacks... one a 10-year-old girl who lost parents and two siblings after the family faced a rebel firing squad.

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#90224u0685 08/12/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 12) UPI - A New York jury begins a fourth day of deliberations today in the trial of three youths charged in a brutal attack on a female jogger in Central Park. The jury of 10 men and two women have focused on an attack on a male jogger that took place after the female jogger was beaten, raped and left for dead. Three teen-agers are on trial for rape and attempted murder in the attack on an investment banker during a random crime spree in the park last April.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami says a tropical depression in the Atlantic could develop into Tropical Storm Fran. Forecasters say the seventh tropical depression of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season developed yesterday. At last report, the depression was about 15-hundred-50 miles east of the Windward Islands... with maximum sustained winds of 35 miles an hour.

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#90224u0766 08/12/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 12) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is telling his citizens to prepare for war. Saddam warned Iraqis that the Persian Gulf crisis sparked by his takeover of Kuwait could escalate and they should tighten their

belts in the face of a trade embargo and increasing international sanctions.

Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani says his army is capable of policing the gulf region during the crisis. Rafsanjani recognized the ousted government of Kuwait... but he called U-S troops in Saudi Arabia a destabilizing factor. Iraq and Iran were foes in a bitter eight-year war.

Military officials in Sri Lanka report an increase in the violence by the nation's Tamil separatists. Officials say separatist rebels armed with automatic weapons, straight razors and knives coated with cyanide attacked three villages in the eastern part of the nation and killed at least 105 Moslems.

Colombian officials say the second most powerful member of the deadly Medellin drug cartel is dead. Authorities say police shot and killed Gustavo Gaviria Rivero last night during a raid on his heavily fortified apartment building in the city of Medellin. Observers fear Gaviria's death could renew attacks by the cocaine cartel.

A San Francisco newspaper report says members of the Green Berets stationed in Thailand secretly stockpiled and illegally sold or gave away tons of ammunition and explosives. The story accuses the special forces members of orchestrating a coverup to hide Millions of dollars worth of missing munitions.

U-S Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter is in Japan where he's trying to urge the government to give ground on a traditionally NON-negotiable issue. Yeutter is trying to convince Japan to open its rice market now that Japanese are complaining about the high prices for the staple food. Japanese officials reportedly refuse to budge on the issue.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein issued demands today through a spokesman that he says the West must accept or face resistance from his country, which he calls ''the chosen of the Arab world.'' Saddam wants U-N-supervised Arab troops to replace U-S soldiers in Saudi Arabia and the trade embargo against Iraq lifted. The Iraqi leader is also calling for Israel and Syria to pull out of the Israeli-occupied territories.

There was NO immediate reaction to Saddam's demands which were UNveiled as the United States indicated it was stepping up its action against Iraq. Secretary of State James Baker says U-S ships will impose a naval quarantine on Iraq to enforce a U-N-ordered trade embargo. Baker says Washington is acting on a request by the ousted Kuwaiti government to

block shipments from Iraq. Baker says the request gives the United States the legal basis to halt the shipments, but he did NOT want to call the action a blockade.

Pakistani authorities today say they detained five members of ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's party. Among those detained were friends of Bhutto's businessman husband... who has been accused, along with his wife, of corruption. Officials have made NO specific charges against the five... who're being held under a law that gives authorities wide powers to detain anyone they believe is likely to incite UNrest.

Soviet President Gorbachev is being a little more lenient in his demand for illegal armies in the communist country to lay down their weapons. The Soviet government newspaper says Gorbachev is giving the bands of vigilantes two additional months to surrender their arms. The illegal military units were ignoring a July 25th deadline to put down their weapons.

The fourth day of deliberations got under way today in the New York trial of three teen-agers charged in last year's infamous Central Park ''wilding'' attack. The 10-man, two-woman panel resumed discussions this morning in the state Supreme Court in Manhattan. The jury yesterday reviewed legal instructions and viewed the videotaped confession of one of the youths.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 13) UPI - Though gasoline prices average a dime a gallon higher than three weeks ago, retailers are not gouging customers and have lost nearly a cent of profit margin since the invasion of Kuwait, an industry analyst said Sunday.

Gasoline prices are up because of Iraq's attack on its neighbor and its affect on the spot gasoline market, said Trilby Lundberg, director of the Lundberg Survey.

Based on a survey Friday of more than 13,000 retail gasoline outlets nationwide, the weighted average price for a gallon of gasoline was 127.94 cents, up 10.2 cents from the last survey July 20, Lundberg said.

She said it was the highest weighted average price in the survey since September 1982, when the price was $1.28 in the wake of high crude oil prices and increased oil exploration efforts.

Lundberg said the higher average price does not indicate widespread price gouging, as some consumers have said. In fact, she said, oil retailers have taken slightly lower profits in recent weeks, when wholesale prices

increased an average of .8 cents more than the average increase in retail prices.

One of the most significant results of the Iraqi move on Kuwait and the subsequent halt of U.S. imports from those two countries was a leap in the gasoline spot market, she said.

Lundberg said most U.S. oil companies do not have enough gasoline capacity in their refineries to keep up with demand in the peak driving months of July and August, so they have become heavily reliant on the gasoline spot market to augment their own supplies.

On the spot market, where response to the Mideast crisis was quick, oil companies were forced to pay much higher prices than normal for gasoline imported from foreign refineries or gasoline that had already been traded between a number of suppliers.

''The U.S. refining industry has a reliance on spot market gasoline it did not have in previous periods of crisis, like crunch in the 1970s,'' she said.

In addition to regular spot market purchases to keep pace with summertime demand, oil companies may have bought more spot gasoline in anticipation of even higher prices should a gas shortage happen, Lundberg said.

But, she said, the price hikes seen in the 3-week period since the July 20 survey also reflect other factors.

''Some of the changes were already destined to be because crude oil prices had already turned,'' she said. International market prices and the meeting of OPEC leaders in late July also influenced the domestic pump prices.

She said the spot gasoline market saw slight price declines at the end of last week and, if that trend continues, consumers may see a dip in the pump prices again.

''We cannot know what crude oil supplies and prices will do, ... but we know on the gasoline side after August the consumption pull will drop, so refiners will require fewer extra barrels (from the spot market),'' she said.

She said retailers should respond quickly to a significant drop in the spot market.

''They will need to compete for sales, particularly if they have been posting high prices,'' Lundberg said. ''They will need to compete for customer loyalty.''

According to the survey, the price per gallon for the most popular gasoline, self-service regular unleaded, was 116.40 cents, including tax. Self-service premium unleaded cost 133.59, and regular leaded cost 117.22.

At the full-service pumps, the price for regular unleaded was 140.30 cents a gallon, for premium unleaded, 153.93, and for regular leaded, 137.63.

The survey also checked prices on the home heating-oil market and found an overall weighted average price of 101.82 cents a gallon, an increase of 15.8 cents, Lundberg said.

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#90224u0961 08/12/1990 ~United Press International

BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 12) UPI - The PGA trophy headed Down Under Sunday in the hands of a likeable fellow who serves as yet another symbol of the worldwide assault on what were once American golfing strongholds.

In a tense duel between two men trying to elevate their golfing careers to a new level, Australian Wayne Grady withstood the pressures brought on by the harrowing hazards of Shoal Creek.

Fred Couples did not.

''This was a day,'' said Couples, ''when I really felt I let myself down.''

Four straight bogeys by Couples beginning at the par-3 13th handed the championship to Grady, who had played around the world in relative obscurity for a decade before he emerged as the near winner of last year's British Open.

''If I don't seem too excited, believe me I am,'' said Grady, who won by three shots thanks to the basic ability of avoiding the thick rough which drew waves of protests from this week's participants.

''This is the longest day of my life - absolutely. I lost the lead early on the back nine to Freddie and I started having bad thoughts.

''I told myself to keep playing safe because this course can jump up and grab you. And then Freddie helped me out.''

In winning the PGA, Grady made 1990 the worst year in the history of the four major championship tournaments for American golfers.

Since the inception of the Masters in 1934, except during World War II when the major championships were not held, American players have won at least two of the four majors every year.

This year, however, the Americans could win only one - that coming from Hale Irwin at the U.S. Open. England's Nick Faldo won the Masters and British Open and the PGA was won Sunday by the first non-American to capture the title since Australian David Graham in 1979.

Grady shot a 1-under 71 Sunday for a four-day total of 6-under 282 - equaling the highest winning total in this tournament since it switched from match play to medal play in 1958.

He earned by far the biggest paycheck of his career - $225,000 out of a total purse of $1.35 million.

Couples, who played the first 12 holes in 4-under Sunday, finished with a 72 for a 285 total that was good fore $135,000.

''I got off to a great start,'' Couples said. ''I had some pressure on myself, then I put it on Wayne. Then I gave out. The pressure began on the first tee and it was exciting. Now it is a letdown.

''The bogeys I made happened so fast. It's sickening.''

A shot back of Couples after an even-par 72 was Gil Morgan, who came within two shots of the lead after 12 holes before suffering a double bogey that ended his threat at the par-3 13th.

Bill Britton finished alone in fourth at 1-over 289 with Chip Beck and Billy Mayfair tying for fifth at 290. Back in the pack, meanwhile, came Payne Stewart - the defending champion who began the day two shots out of the lead and had hopes of becoming the first player since 1937 to defend his PGA title. Stewart, however, shot a 79 Sunday for a 292 total.

Also far back was Faldo, who shot the best round of the day at 3-under 69 but who still missed out on his attempt to become the second player in history to win three professional majors in the same year. Faldo finished 13 shots behind Grady at 295.

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Grady, whose only previous win on the American tour came at the 1989 Westchester Classic, vaulted into prominence last year when he led the British Open by a shot going into the final round.

He played well in the fourth round at Troon, but eventually was tied at the end of 72 holes by Mark Calcavecchia and Greg Norman - Calcavecchia winning the playoff.

''I was very disappointed at the British Open last year,'' Grady said.

''I'm very fortunate to have won this time.

''I think today was a lot tougher because of the memory of Troon (the British Open site) last year.

''I hope this will help me in other tournaments because it shows me I can play in difficult circumstances on very hard golf courses. It will be great to see my name on this trophy will all the great names that are on it. My name is on it now and they will never scratch it off.''

Sunday's round began as if Grady would run away with the title.

He made a 60-foot birdie putt at the opening hole and survived a potential disaster at the second when his tee shot hit a tree and traveled only 50 yards.

But he escaped with a bogey and then made birdie putts of 10 and 35 feet at the third and fourth holes.

That opened a three-shot lead over Couples, who quickly replaced the struggling Stewart as the chief challenger.

Couples closed to within two shots with a birdie at the par-5 sixth and was still two shots behind when he went to the par-5 11th.

At that hole, Couples reached the green in two and two-putted for a birdie. Couples then birdied the tough, par-4 12th hole and climbed in front when Grady bogeyed the same hole.

But things then turned sour for Couples, who three-putted from the back fringe at the 13th, missed a four-foot par putt at the 14th and missed another four-footer for par at the 15th. A wild tee shot at the par-3 16th set up another bogey and made things easy for Grady - who wound up making pars on the last six holes to cruise home.

''I wish I could have done better in that stretch,'' Couples said, ''but that's the way it goes. I'm past the stage when I say this is a learning experience. The putts I missed were not gimmies, but a lot of people make them. Today, I missed them.''

''I'm just glad it's over,'' said Grady, who did the best job all week staying away from the thick rough which brought cries of protest from the players. ''If we had to play any more, I don't think I could have made it.

''Payne (Stewart, who served as Grady's playing partner Sunday) wore green and gold today and those are Australia's colors. I thought that was a good sign.''

Grady's victory brought an end to a controversial tournament which gained publicity during the past month because of the exclusionary admission policies of Shoal Creek.

Then, when the players finally arrived at the site, they protested loud and long about the rough and the hard greens - protests which continued until the end.

When Faldo finished his round Sunday, he was asked if he would like to see Shoal Creek as the site of some future U.S. Open.

''Sure,'' he said, ''as long as it's after I've retired. This is the most frustrating tournament I've ever played.''

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(AUG. 12) UPI - Military officials in Sri Lanka say Tamil rebels went on an overnight killing spree through three villages in the eastern part of the country. Officials say the militant separatists used automatic weapons straight razors and knives coated with cyanide during the rampage in which at least 105 Moslems were killed.

Pakistani authorities say they have detained five members of ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's party. They say there are NO specific charges against them. Three of those held are friends of Bhutto's husband, whom her political enemies have accused of corruption.

Psychologists at the University of Washington in Seattle say they found NO evidence that subliminal messages influence human behavior. The study involved 240 people, with half listening to self-help video-tapes and half to hidden self-help advice. Researchers say if anything, tapes without subliminal messages seem to have a greater impact on listeners.

A New York-based lawyers committee says human rights violations still are common in the African nation of Zaire, despite President Mobutu Sese Seko's pledges of reform. The Lawyers Committee for Human Rights says agents use force to break up meetings by opposition groups... and in one May incident, at least 12 people were killed.

Environmentalists are angry about the Interior Department's ruling last week that Australian kangaroo populations are healthy and in NO need of U-S endangered species protection. Animal protection groups have vowed to protest the ruling by organizing a boycott against corporations that sell shoes and other items made from kangaroos.

The wall that for so long separated East from West marks the 29th anniversary of its construction tomorrow... as well as its first

anniversary as a monument to the past. From its erection August 13th, 1961 until its collapse, November 9th, 1989, the 29-mile-long Berlin Wall served as a painful barrier that guarded communism from capitalism. But since its fall, pieces of the wall have made their way into tourist shops and museums.

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MASON, OH (AUG. 13) UPI - Top-seeded Stefan Edberg proved Sunday why he deserves to be the top ranked player in the ATP with a convincing 6-1, 6-1 victory over No. 4 seed Brad Gilbert in the finals of the $1.3 million Thriftway ATP Championship.

Earlier this week Edberg unofficially became the No. 1 player in the ATP computer rankings when he defeated Michael Chang in a third-round match. The ranking will become official Monday.

On Sunday the 24-year-old Swede dominated Gilbert from the start.

''He (Edberg) did everything well,'' Gilbert said after the loss. ''Usually, when I play him, I can rely on getting some points off his forehand. The difference was he was thumping his volleys.''

Edberg took advantage of Gilbert's weak service return, charging the net on nearly every serve and repeatedly returning perfect volleys.

The final match, which only lasted 51 minutes, was the second shortest final of the year in the ATP. (The shortest was Gilbert over Christo Van Rensberg in the finals at Orlando in April.)

Sunday's loss was the worst defeat Gilbert has suffered in his professional career.

''The guy thoroughly beat on me,'' Gilbert said. ''That's the bottom line. He just beat on me today.''

Edberg won the first four games of the match before Gilbert was able to hold serve for one game to make the score 4-1. But Edberg continued to dominate Gilbert's serve and easily won the first game 6-1 in 26 minutes.

It didn't get any better for the Oakland, Calif. native in the second set. Edberg once again jumped to a quick lead, winning the first three games. Gilbert managed to hold serve in the fourth game, but lost the following three games to lose the second set and match.

Edberg felt he had to play Gilbert strong from the start.

''I've played Brad quite a few times and we've had a lot of tough matches '' Edberg said. ''He's a guy who hits a lot of balls back, and you really have to stay on top of him.''

It was the 12th meeting between Edberg and Gilbert and Edberg's first win over Gilbert in a final.

Edberg lost to Gilbert last year in the finals of the Thriftway ATP Championship and the Nabisco Grand Prix finals in Memphis in 1986.

Edberg won his third consecutive tournament title, winning last week at Los Angeles, and before that, at Wimbleton.

''In the last month-and-a-half, I've been playing very good tennis,'' Edberg said. ''I've had three tournament wins in a row, now, which is probably more than I've ever had before.''

Edberg collected $170,200 for his victory and Gilbert received $89,600 as runner-up.

In doubles play Sunday, No. 7 seeds Darren Cahill and Mark Kratzmann, both of Australia defeated unseeded Neil Broad of England and Gary Miller of Los Angeles in the doubles final 7-6 (10-8), 6-2.

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	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	62	51	.549	-	36-18	26-33	7-3	W-2
Toronto	60	55	.522	3	32-29	28-26	4-6	L-1
Baltimore	55	58	.487	7	26-26	29-32	4-6	W-1
Cleveland	54	60	.474	8 1/2	30-27	24-33	6-4	W-3
Detroit	53	63	.457	10 1/2	26-30	27-33	3-7	L-3
Milwaukee	48	65	.425	14	24-32	24-33	3-7	L-1
New York	46	67	.407	16	23-29	23-38	6-4	L-3
West								
Oakland	73	42	.635	-	38-21	35-21	8-2	W-4
Chicago	66	45	.595	5	33-24	33-21	6-4	L-1
Texas	59	55	.518	13 1/2	31-24	28-31	5-5	W-1
Seattle	58	57	.504	15	30-32	28-25	4-6	L-2
Kansas City	55	59	.482	17 1/2	31-27	24-32	7-3	W-1
California	55	60	.478	18	29-30	26-30	5-5	L-1
Minnesota	54	61	.470	19	29-30	25-31	4-6	W-1

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(AUG. 13) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

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East								
New York	64	47	.577	-	38-20	26-27	4-6	L-2
Pittsburgh	64	48	.571	1/2	31-22	33-26	4-6	L-5
Montreal	60	54	.526	5 1/2	33-23	27-31	5-5	W-5
Chicago	55	59	.482	10 1/2	28-29	27-30	7-3	W-2
St. Louis	54	61	.470	12	27-32	27-29	7-3	W-4
Philadel.	52	60	.464	12 1/2	26-28	26-32	2-8	L-5
West								
Cincinnati	65	47	.580	-	34-20	31-27	4-6	W-1
San Fran.	60	53	.531	5 1/2	30-24	30-29	4-6	L-1
Los Angeles	58	54	.518	7	32-24	26-30	6-4	W-2
San Diego	54	59	.478	11 1/2	28-30	26-29	8-2	W-4
Houston	49	65	.430	17	35-25	14-40	6-4	L-4
Atlanta	42	70	.375	23	24-34	18-36	2-8	L-2

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(AUG. 12) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says he'd be willing to consider withdrawing from Kuwait if- among other things- Israel gives up the occupied terrorities. Hussein's conditions also call for U-S troops to get out of Saudi Arabia and for the U-N to lift its mandatory sanctions against Iraq. The White House rejected the suggestion... while Israel labeled the proposal ''cheap propaganda.''

The man in charge of the U-S military effort in the Middle East says the deployment of American forces is running ahead of schedule and that Iraq would- in his words- ''pay the price'' if it attacks Saudi Arabia. But the commander also says Iraqi troops appear to be massing in defensive positions along the Kuwaiti-Saudi border... but he's taking NO chances about second-guessing Iraq's intentions.

Iraqi troops are believed responsible for gunning down one of three British citizens who were trying to make a run for the Kuwaiti-Saudi border. The British Foreign Office is trying to confirm whether the man... whose name has been withheld... was killed or injured in the incident. The other two Britons managed to make it across the neutral zone.

There's growing concern that thousands of Americans trapped in Iraq and Kuwait may be used as pawns in Iraq's high-stakes stand-off against U-S led international forces. Secretary of State Baker said in interview that

detaining foreign citizens ''runs against all international behavior norms.'' But Iraq's ambassador to the U-N said Baghdad detained the foreigners because Iraq is in a state of emergency.

President Bush relaxed while vacationing in Kennebunkport, Maine, today, with the Iraqi crisis clearly on his mind. He telephoned Syrian President Hafez Assad to thank him for committing troops to help the sanctions against Iraq. Bush also jogged, fished and golfed.

Washington Mayor Marion Barry has to decide by the end of tomorrow whether to make another political run. He said two months ago he would NOT run for re-election. He can change his mind until midnight tomorrow. He also may decide to run for City Council. Barry was convicted Friday of a cocaine possession charge.

An animal rights activist wants attempted murder charges brought against Navy contractors whose boat he says ran over him and another protester Friday. Ric O'Barry says they were trying to stop an explosives test that could endanger dolphins in the Florida Keys. He says the boat crews chased them and tried to kill them.

A new tropical depression sprung up over the Atlantic. Top winds were 35 miles an hour. But forecasters do NOT expect it to build into a tropical storm. Forecaster Hal Gerrish said the storm was ''falling apart.'' The storm was midway between the African coast and the Lesser Antilles.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - About 20-thousand pro-Iraqi demonstrators took to the streets in Jordan today in the largest show of support yet for Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. The protesters chanted anti-U-S slogans and called for the overthrow of the Egyptian, Syrian and Saudi Arabian governments. As further proof of Saddam's grass roots following, a hospital official in the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip reports that four boys born during the weekend were named Saddam by their parents.

The Bush administration says it will set up a naval blockade against Iraq in the Persian Gulf. Secretary of State Baker says the decision was made after President Bush received a letter from Kuwait's exhiled emir asking the United States to ensure economic sanctions against Iraq. The Bush administration has rejected an offer by Iraqi President Saddam, who earlier today said he might consider withdrawing from Kuwait if Israel surrenders the occupied terrorities.

The Pentagon says that a U-S sergeant died today in an apparent accident at an air base in Saudi Arabia. Officials did NOT disclose the circumstances leading to the death of Air Force Sergeant John Campisi ,

who had been assigned to Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska. They say they are investigating.

A former Green Beret has charged that U-S military officials secretly sold Millions of dollars worth of ammunition to the Asian black market for years. Bob Finley says the U-S Embassy in Thailand tried to cover-up the sale of munitions... some of which may landed in the hands of Cambodian Khmer Rouge rebels. A separate published report today says documents have been obtained that prove Finley's allegations.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - The leader of South Africa's African National Congress reports progress in talks with the government. Nelson Mandela says the A-N-C may end its sanctions even before South Africa implements all of its racial reforms. For decades, the A-N-C fought a guerrilla war to end South Africa's racial segregation. That war was declared ended only last Monday.

The second trial opens tomorrow in Painesville, Ohio, in the deaths of a married couple and their three daughters. The defendant is cult leader Jeffrey Lundgren. His wife was convicted of complicity, conspiracy and kidnaping in an earlier trial. Eight members of Lundgren's cult are scheduled to testify, including five that the prosecution indicates were involved and are to receive reduced charges.

20-thousand firefighters are on the front lines against wildfires in several western states. A protective line has been put around an area of three-thousand-year-old sequoias in California's Yosemite National Park. The park has been closed since Friday. Some fires have been contained in Nevada and Montana. Thunderstorms predicted for central California may bring needed moisture, but also high winds that could spread fires.

Archeologists have used radar data from a satellite to find what may be the remnants of a lost civilization on the fringes of an Arabian desert. The civilization, called Ad, was the hub of trade in frankincense, the incense the wise men gave the infant Christ. A scientific expedition in California says it has found a buried camel trade that probably was used by frankincense traders. The scientists also found artifacts, probably from Ad.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - Colombian police have scored a major blow in their fight against the Medellin cocaine cartel. Police sources say the cartel's number two man... Gustavo de Jesus Gaviria... was shot and killed last night at his heavily fortified house in Medellin during a firefight with

drug agents. Gaviria headed up day-to-day operations of the city's vast cocaine trafficking network for his cousin... drug kingpin Pablo Escobar.

Three infantry brigades and an aviation brigade of the Army's 101st Airborne Division are getting ready to join the U-S show of force in Saudi Arabia. That's about 17-thousand soldiers. The 101st is stationed at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. It spent the weekend packing for the trip and making sure records listing next of kin are up to date.

A new study says the government of Zaire continues to commit what the study called ''gross violations'' of human rights.... despite promises of reform. A 231-page survey by the New York-based Lawyers Committee for Human Rights says Zaire security forces routinely torture and kill political prisoners. The report also criticized Washington for continuing to support Zaire.

The Reverend Tim Snipes doesn't take excuses for missing church. Snipes provides worshippers who like to sleep late with cots. And for those who are hard-of-hearing, Snipes reserves the front seats. Snipes even goes the extra yard for those who say he's a bit loud at his Farwell, Michigan, church... giving the sensitive ears a bit of cotton to soften the tone of his voice.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein offered to remove his troops from Kuwait if the United States followed suit in Saudi Arabia and Isreal also withdrew from the occupied territories. Saddam said he is willing to resort to force if the proposal is NOT met.

The Bush administration quickly rejected Saddam's initiative and prepared to take steps to secure the success of a U-N-approved embargo of Iraqi goods. Secretary of State Baker says U-S forces will intercept any Iraqi vessel.

Jordan's King Hussein expressed support for Saddam's demand that Israel leave the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. While some 20-thousand citizens of his kingdom rallied in support of the Iraqi leader, Hussein said Western powers are acting on their own interests in the Middle East.

Some 20-thousand firefighters spread out over five Western states today to combat a number of major wildfires. Many of the crews gained advantage over the blazes, which have destroyed nearly 400-thousand acres.

Anti-apartheid leader Nelson Mandela said in a televised interview Sunday that his African National Congress and the ruling white minority government have created what he called a ''form of alliance.'' Mandela

said it's possible to end economic sanctions before racial reforms occur.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - Oil industry analyst Trilby Lundberg says average retail gas prices have gone up by one dime in the past three weeks. Lundberg says the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait is the prime reason for the average gas price jumping to nearly a dollar-28 a gallon.

U-S Customs officials in Paulsboro, New Jersey, have given their O-K for a vessel filled with one Million gallons of Iraqi crude oil to off-load its cargo. Federal authorities gave their approval because the oil left Kuwait before it invaded Kuwait August 2nd.

Union officials representing some 150-thousand United Parcel Service workers says they'll announce tomorrow whether the rank-and-file has O-K'd a proposed three-year pact. U-P-S officials say even if the contract is rejected, the workers are bound by a prior agreement to remain on the job.

Pakistan's interim government says it will investigate charges of corruption against members of recently ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's party. Today's announcement followed official confirmation that 10 of Bhutto's political associates have been detained.

The official Soviet news agency Tass says the K-G-B has arrested what it termed a ''large criminal group'' of Soviet and Polish smugglers. Members of the group allegedly tried to smuggle more than three Million dollars worth of jewelry from the Soviet Union.

Animal protection groups are voicing displeasure over a recent federal report that says Australian kangaroo populations are healthy and do NOT need U-S endangered species protection. Environmentalists are vowing to boycott items made with kangaroo parts.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - The Bush administration says it is ready to begin blocking Iraqi oil shipments and other exports. Secretary of State Baker says the ousted Kuwaiti government requested that Washington ensure that U-N-backed sanctions are enforced. Also today, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein made demands which included U-S withdrawal from Saudi Arabia. The White House promptly rejected Saddam's conditions for mutual withdrawal.

Oil industry analyst Trilby Lundberg today defended retailers against charges that they are taking advantage of the new Middle East crisis to boost their prices. Lundberg says retailers are actually making about one

cent a gallon less they were before Iraq invaded Kuwait because they haveN'T kept their prices in line with soaring spot market costs. Average pump prices have soared to nearly one dollar-28 a gallon.

Although South Africa's racial separation policy remains in force, black leader Nelson Mandela says his African National Congress has reached what he called a ''form of alliance'' with the white government. Mandela says his group may ease its adamant stand that the international community maintain economic sanctions even before a power-sharing agreement is reached to grant blacks political rights.

A 10-year-old American girl who spent a hair-raising week stranded in Kuwait during the Iraqi invasion was re-united with her parents in Paris today. Penelope Nabokov says she felt generally safe during the ordeal and that there was only one moment when she- in her words- ''got hysterical.'' Nabokov was allowed across the Iraqi border into Jordan yesterday with a group of diplomats.

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(AUG. 12) UPI - The Manhattan jury in the trial of three youths accused of beating and gang-raping a Central Park jogger enters it fifth day of deliberations tomorrow. Today, they asked the judge to clarify the legal definition of what it means to ''act in concert'' to commit a crime. Justice Thomas Galligan responded by saying that people who commit a crime together are equally guilty... NO matter how large or small their individual roles.

Iraqi oil was unloaded today from a tanker at Paulsboro, New Jersey. Customs officials allowed the off-loading since the cargo left Iraq before the Middle East country invaded Kuwait August 2nd. One-Million gallons of Iraqi crude oil were brought by the tanker Nausica, which flies the Bahamas flag. Mobil paid for the crude by depositing the amount owed for the load in a blocked bank account.

Lieutenant governors say states will have to shoulder the burden of paying for educational reform since the federal government is NO longer willing to spring for the tab. Officials at the National Conference of Lieutenant Governors, which convened today in Des Moines, Iowa, focused on ways to improve educational resources. One official says educational reform may be helped by the federal debt crisis, which forces schools to re-think teaching strategies.

Hypnotic tapes that claim they will help you lose weight or stop smoking are NO better than tapes without the hidden messages. That was the word from psychologists who reported today at a meeting in Boston. A study was made of 240 people by University of Washington psychologists. They said

people who heard tapes without subliminal messages actually changed their behavior more.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The U.S. Army has awarded Litton's Guidance & Control Systems (LIT) division a $15.4 million contract to produce 220 more attitude and heading reference sets for AH-64A Apache and OH-58D Kiowa Warrior helicopters.

The Littion equipment is installed in all of the Apache and Kiowa Warrior aircraft. More than 585 AH-64A and 165 OH-58D helicopters have already been delivered to the Army by McDonnell Douglas and Bell Helicopter Textron respectively. The Army plans ultimately to buy more than 800 Apache and 240 Kiowa Warrior helicopters for its own use and for sale to foreign governments.

An attitude and heading reference set provides a continuous measure of direction of flight and the pitch and roll motion of the aircaft. Data from the Litton equipment are fed to a cockpit display and to on-board functions such as sensor stabilization, fire control, autopilot reference and navigation.

The Litton systems are produced at Guidance & Control Systems division facilities in Grants Pass, Ore., and Salt Lake City, Utah. The division, a world leader in aircraft navigation systems, is based in Woodland Hills, Calif.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Drexler Technology Corp. (NASDAQ:DRXR) Monday announced results for the fiscal 1991 first quarter ended June 30.

For the first three months of fiscal 1991, the company had a net loss of $1,665,000, or 24 cents per share, compared with a loss of $1,671,000, or 24 cents per share, for last year's first quarter.

First quarter revenues were $461,000 vs. $469,000 for the year-earlier period.

Drexler Technology Corp. is headquartered in Mountain View. The company manufactures LaserCard optical memory cards, develops related software and LaserCard-based workstations, and distributes emulsion photoplates. At June 30, the company had 6,910,479 shares of common stock outstanding.

Drexler Technology Corp.
Summary Consolidated Statements of Operations
For First Quarters Ended June 30, 1990 and 1989
(in 000s, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenues	$ 461	469
Costs and expenses	2,119	2,270
Loss from operations	1,658	1,801
Interest income (expense), net	(7)	130
Net loss	$ 1,665	$ 1,671
Loss per share	24 cents	24 cents
Weighted average common shares	6,910	6,864

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SANTA CLARA, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - First-round financing has been obtained by Crosspoint Solutions Inc., a start-up semiconductor company that has invented a unique approach to field-programmability in gate-array logic devices used widely throughout the electronics industry.

According to Orlando Gallegos, president of Crosspoint, the company has signed an agreement for $6 million in equity funding, sufficient to complete product development and market introduction. Gallegos indicated that Crosspoint expects a second round of financing late in 1991 to carry the company to profitability.

Crosspoint's leading investor is ASCII Corp., a diversified high-technology company in Japan involved in LSI semiconductor components, computer software, publishing and communications. ASCII Corp. has helped fund a number of successful high-technology companies in the United States including Chips & Technologies and NexGen Microsystems.

Crosspoint's new approach gives it significant competitive advantages over other field-programmable logic implementations, according to Gallegos. A proprietary cell and routing architecture, coupled with a unique

interconnect technology, will enable Crosspoint to meet the performance and density demands of the mainstream CMOS gate array market.

The company is also designing its computer-aided engineering tools to fit into the existing gate array design environment.

Crosspoint Solutions Inc. was incorporated in November 1989 in California. Its founding team consists of experienced industry veterans from Silicon Valley:

-- Orlando Gallegos, president and chief executive officer, most recently a vice president of Samsung Semiconductor Inc.

-- Laurence Cooke, vice president of engineering, a founder and former vice president of engineering for Integrated CMOS Systems.

-- William Ingram, vice president of technology development, most recently director of process technology for National Semiconductor Inc.

-- William Becker, director of hardware design, a veteran ASIC design expert formerly with VLSI Technology, AMCC, Synertek and AMI.

-- Michael Levis, director of business planning, most recently manager of microprocessors and microcontrollers for Samsung Semiconductor Inc.

-- Vacit Arat, director of sales and marketing, formerly manager of advanced logic products for Samsung Semiconductor Inc.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems' SPARC-based computer workstations and servers have been selected as the standard product for all GE Aerospace divisions.

Sun was chosen after a competitive selection process that was part of GE Aerospace's ASSIST (Aerospace Support for Systems, Integration, Software and Test) program. The major goal of ASSIST is to develop standard hardware and software systems for engineering use throughout GE Aerospace divisions.

Workstation vendors were evaluated on technical qualifications and on the basis of long-term commitment to act as a strategic partner to GE Aerospace. As sole supplier of engineering workstations to the aerospace giant, Sun expects the relationship to yield as much as $100 million in

revenue over the multiyear span of the contract.

GE Aerospace is one of the 13 business units that are part of General Electric Co. In May, this parent company selected Sun as the strategic supplier of UNIX-based workstations and servers for its business units, which also include such organizations as NBC, Kidder Peabody, GE Medical Systems and GE Aircraft Engines.

All products are based on the SPARC/RISC architecture and the UNIX operating system. In addition to workstations and servers, Sun will provide networking products, graphics enhancements and, through Sun's third-party partners, software engineering tools for ECAD, MCAD, systems engineering and CASE users.

This new GE Aerospace standard system and software development platform is based on a distributed client/server model of computing. Technical requirements included scalable workstations, international design standards, standard graphical interfaces, and the ability to share information easily with peers, regardless of the physical location or computer they use.

''We view Sun as a strong partner in our Engineering Process Improvement (EPI) program,'' said Charles Wise, GE program manager for ASSIST. ''This equipment will help make our individual engineers more productive.''

The systems will be used for all electronic and mechanical design automation and software engineering applications within the GE Aerospace divisions.

Sun Microsystems Inc., with headquarters in Mountain View, is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

GE Aerospace is a world leader in the design, development, management and integration of advanced electronic systems and equipment for defense, space and aviation. -0-

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ANAHEIM, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Datum Inc. (NASDAQ:DATM) Monday announced its sales for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $7,658,000, a 16.5 percent decline from sales of $9,174,000 for the corresponding quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, sales were $15,485,000, a decline of 12.5 percent when compared with the prior year's first-half sales of $17,704,000.

On these lowered sales, the company incurred a loss of $234,000, or 9 cents per share, as compared with the prior year's net income of $327,000, or 12 cents per share. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, Datum incurred a loss of $164,000, or 6 cents per share, as compared with the prior period's net income of $540,000, or 20 cents per share.

Louis B. Horwitz, the company's president, commented: ''These results constitute the company's first quarterly loss in over six years. The decline in business due to the slowdown in defense procurement, on which we have been commenting for several quarters, has created insufficient sales to cover the company's current level of fixed expenses.''

Horwitz continued: ''While this is not a permanent condition, we have, throughout our various operations, been selectively adjusting our payroll downward. Although bookings are showing a decidedly improving trend, we anticipate the third quarter will also remain under pressure.''

Datum designs and manufactures precision frequency products and timing instrumentation for military, industrial, space and commercial applications. Timing manufacturing operations are located in Anaheim. Frequency products are produced in Beverly, Mass., and Goleta, Calif. Austron maintains its headquarters and manufacturing facilities in Austin, Texas.

Datum's corpoate offices are located at 1363 S. State College Boulevard, Anaheim.

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RICHARDSON, TX (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Rockwell International Corp.'s Collins Defense Communications has achieved Initial Operational Capability (IOC) for its Miniature Receive Terminal (MRT) on U.S. Air Force strategic bombers.

The IOC declaration was made by General John T. Chain Jr., commander in chief of the Strategic Air Command, on Aug. 2.

The MRT has been installed on 15 B-1Bs at Ellsworth Air Force Base, S.D., during the five-month trial period. It has satisfied all the requirements for Initial Operational Capability.

The MRT will provide the B-52H and B-1B aircraft with a vital long-haul, highly jam-resistant communications capability to receive emergency action messages. MRT represents the latest state of the art in very low frequency (vlf) system performance and technology.

Rockwell designed and developed the MRT under contract to the Electronic Systems Division at Hanscom Air Force Base, Bedford, Mass.

The MRT is a critical link in the Minimum Essential Emergency Communications Network providing strategic connectivity from the National Command Authority to the U.S. strategic bomber forces. The MRT system offers secure global vlf communications in a compact lightweight enclosure.

MRT terminals are produced at Collins Defense Communications' facilities in Dallas; Cedar Rapids, Iowa; and Salt Lake City.

Rockwell International is a $12 billion, multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Stars To Go Inc. (NASDAQ:STARC) Monday reported gross revenues for the second quarter 1990 of $3 million with a net loss of $724,000, or 2 cents per share, compared with gross revenues of $4.5 million with a net loss of $483,000, or 2 cents per share for the comparable 1989 period.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, gross revenues totaled $6.7 million vs. $9.9 a year earlier. The net loss for the first six months of 1990 was $1,117,000, or 3 cents per share, compared to net income of $441,000, or 2 cents per share, for the same period in 1989 which included a non-recurring gain of $1 million.

Stars To Go Inc. supplies video rental management services to the retail industry. The company currently provides management services to 1,310

outlets.

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FREMONT, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - At this year's NetWorld Dallas show, Accton Technology Corp. will unveil a new, cost-effective alternative for network users who want to migrate to 10BASE-T.

The TransPair-T pocket-sized transceiver will allow network users to connect their existing workstations to 10BASE-T networks without having to install a new network interface card.

Accton's TransPair-T external transceiver is smaller than a business card, measuring only 2 3/4 by 2 3/16 by 7/8 inches. The TransPair-T connects to the 15-pin AUI port of any network interface card, providing output to an RJ-45 port for 10BASE-T. The new Accton transceiver is a totally passive device that requires no external power supply.

''We believe that Accton's superior design and manufacturing capabilities puts us in a strong position to make an impact on the 10BASE-T market,'' said Accton General Manager Frank Chan. ''We believe that to compete in the crowded 10BASE-T market, we must deliver a higher quality product at a competitive price. By applying our expertise in surface-mount manufacturing, we can deliver high-quality, low-profile 10BASE-T devices like the new TransPair-T pocket-sized transceiver.''

The TransPair-T transceiver is scheduled to ship in September. It carries a list price of $119.

Accton Technology Corp. manufactures a complete line of connectivity hardware and software for Ethernet and Token-Ring, including network interface cards, hubs, multistation access units, repeaters, modems, and workstations. Accton is based at 46750 Fremont Boulevard, No. 104, Fremont, CA, 94538; telephone 415/226-9800.

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Upsonic Monday introduced their new PC Might 35 Uninterruptible Power Supply for protecting file servers and local area networks.

The PC Might 35, affordably priced at $275, is an off-line power system that is compatible with Novell, 3COM, Banyan, SCO Xenix, Apple, Convergent and Prime networks.

In the event of power surges, spikes, power line noise or blackouts, the PC Might 35 model will deliver up to 20 minutes of battery back-up power to high-end workstations and file servers.

The small UPS has a power rating of 350VA and includes a maintenance-free battery, overcurrent protection, overload and short circuit protection and line filtering. The compact model weighs only 13.7 pounds and measures 5.9 inches by 3.3 inches by 12 inches.

Special features to the PC Might 35 include two- to three-hour battery recharge time, operates with modern voltage-sensing PC power supplies that detect whether power is 120V or 220/240V, and autorestart when incoming power returns.

The PC Might 35 is an addition to Upsonic's popular $195 PC Might 25 UPS, which protects IBM compatible and Macintosh stand-alone workstations.

The UL-listed PC Might 35 is available for immediate delivery and sells for $275.

Upsonic utilizes the knowledge gained from their installed base of over 250,000 UPS units worldwide to develop and market a complete line of reliable and inexpensive power protection systems for the microcomputer marketplace.

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DENVER (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Aspen Exploration Corp. president R. V. Bailey has announced the successful completion of a second well in the Pearsall Field, Frio County, Texas.

Aspen owns 2.25 percent working interest, equivalent to 1.6875 percent net revenue interest, in this well, the Ira Corbin No. 1-A, which is producing

from the Austin Chalk formation and confirms production from the first well, the Ira Corbin No. 1.

The new well came on line July 29, 1990, and produced 2,300 barrels of oil in a five-day period for an average rate of 460 BOPD. The well has high gas volumes, indicating favorable reservoir energy. Aspen's independent engineers estimate total oil reserves for the well of 237,000 barrels of oil and 200,000 MCF gas.

The first well in which the company participated in this field, the Ira Corbin No. 1, began production in mid-May, producing 11,400 barrels of oil from May 15 to June 3, 1990, for an average of 570 BOPD.

Aspen is further pleased to announce that the company's acquisition in the Lustre Field, Valley County, Mont., has paid out after only 12 months of production. The field still contains 56,000 barrels of oil and undiscounted future net revenues of $437,000 net to Aspen, using an average constant oil price of $14.50 per barrel for Williston Basin sour crude.

Aspen's independent engineering report for the fiscal year ended June 30 has now been completed and shows that the company's net proved producing oil reserves increased by 45 percent, from 126,000 BO at July 1, 1989, to 183,000 BO at July 1, 1990, excluding the Ira Corbin No. 1A well.

Current oil prices of approximately $25 per barrel are expected to favorably impact cash flow for the company.

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WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated Energy Systems Inc. (OTC) announced its purchase of three cogeneration projects, the hiring of a cogeneration sales specialist, and the dismissal of all counts alleged against it in a previously announced civil lawsuit.

Consolidated acquired three cogeneration facilities from a California partnership, ABA Associates. The purchase includes a system at the Hotel San Maarten in Laguna Beach, Calif., and two systems operating at commercial laundries.

The purchase price includes 45,000 shares of the company's common stock and a five-year note for the balance of the purchase price to be determined by a contract formula based on future net cash flow actually produced by the projects. The contract calls for a six-month due

diligence period during which any of the projects may be severed from the transaction by Consolidated, with corresponding adjustments to the purchase price.

Consolidated has successfully obtained the full-time services of Edward Borray as vice president, sales to lead the development of larger-scale cogeneration projects. Borray, who received his master's degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Southern California, has extensive experience in energy sales.

Following several years of government service in strategic planning and marketing of energy systems, Borray has for over a decade developed, designed and operated private sector power systems for such clients as the Walt Disney Co.'s Queen Mary/Spruce Goose complex, Sheraton Hotels, Burger King Restaurants and over 750 energy projects serving over 2,800 apartment units.

On July 8, 1990, on a motion made by Consolidated, the Federal District Court in San Diego dismissed all 18 counts of a civil suit filed against Consolidated and other defendants. The suit alleged the company had somehow permitted its former securities brokers to commit civil violations or otherwise act fraudulently.

Twelve of the counts were permanently dismissed, but the Court conditionally allowed the plaintiffs to seek to refile six other counts. Rich Abruscato, chief executive officer and president of Consolidated, reiterates that there is absolutely no merit to any of the allegations as they pertain to Consolidated.

''We are extremely gratified that the court confirms this suit should not have been filed against Consolidated and that all counts were dismissed against the company,'' said Abruscato.

Consolidated Energy Systems, founded in 1984 and publicly traded since 1987, is a diversified company with emphasis on developing cogeneration and energy conservation projects.

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FORT COLLINS, CO (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - First Centennial Life Insurance Co. was recently granted licenses in Nebraska and Iowa, giving the company a solid presence in the Western United States.

In addition, it has license applications pending in six more Western

states and Florida.

''We're excited about the new possibilities this gives us to double our marketing area,'' said Ken Bearden, president and chairman. ''We hope to soon have the capacity to offer our life insurance products to the entire Western region. This expansion keeps us on target with First Centennial's five-year business plan for growth.''

The company now has licensed sales people in Nebraska, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Montana, North Dakota, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming. License applications are pending in Arizona, Florida, Kansas, Missouri, Nevada, New Mexico and South Dakota.

First Centennial Life Insurance Co. is a subsidiary of First Centennial Corp., a Ft. Collins company which markets a broad variety of insurance products and services throughout the West and Midwest. First Centennial is listed on the NASDAQ under the symbol FCLCA.

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BERKELEY, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Andros Analyzers Inc. (NASDAQ:NMS/ANDY) announced Monday the signing of customer purchase contracts representing more than $12 million in product and service sales with gas analyzer customers in both the medical monitoring and automotive diagnostic equipment business.

''It's not coincidence that these record orders come from customers that we have been supplying for a number of years,'' George A. Schapiro, president of Andros, said. ''We are proud of our performance as an OEM instrumentation supplier. This market position requires that we perform consistently over the years in order to earn our customers' confidence for increasing our business as their businesses grow.''

Andros Analyzers is the dominant OEM supplier of products for use worldwide in medical monitoring, automotive garage test, and coronary angioplasty imaging equipment.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Airlines Monday reported

that in July its traffic rose 1.4 percent to 3.9 billion revenue passenger miles (RPMs).

Continental said it flew 5.9 billion available seat miles (ASMs) for a load factor of 66.9 percent.

Year-to-date, Continental's load factor is 60.6 percent, which is .2 points ahead of the 1989 level. In the January-July period, Continental flew 22.6 billion RPMs and 37.2 billion ASMs.

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES
Preliminary Systemwide Traffic Results

	1990	1989	CHANGE
JULY			
RPMS(000)	3,916,045	3,861,330	+1.4 percent
ASMS(000)	5,851,577	5,675,007	+3.1 percent
L.F.	66.9 percent	68.0 percent	-1.1 points
YEAR-TO-DATE			
RPMS(000)	22,564,414	22,483,886	+0.4 percent
ASMS(000)	37,227,936	37,245,179	No Change
L.F.	60.6 percent	60.4 percent	+0.2 points

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Continental Airlines, 713/834-5080.

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GREEN BAY, WI (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Fort Howard Corp. today announced financial results for its second quarter ending June 30, 1990.

For the second quarter, Fort Howard's tissue sales increased 10.8 percent to $292,029,000 compared to 1989 second quarter sales of $263,578,000. As a result of special charges accrued during the second quarter of 1990, the company reported relatively flat operating income of $62,316,000 for the second quarter of 1990, compared to $62,431,000 for the same period of 1989.

Excluding the special charges, operating income grew at 13.8 percent and 14.8 percent, respectively, for the second quarter and first six months of 1990. Net losses for the quarter amount to $26.83 million versus $19.28 million for the same quarter last year. For the first six months, net losses amounted to $56.07 million as compared to $54.95 million in the same period last year.

First-half 1990 sales were $558,939,000, an increase of 9.1 percent over 1989 sales of $512,229,000 for the same period. After the special charges, operating income was $122,660,000 for the first half of 1990, 7.2 percent

higher than operating income of $114,473,000 for the first half of 1989.

Operating income for the second quarter and first six months of 1990 was negatively impacted by special charges totaling $8,750,000. The charges relate to an employee stock compensation plan and to costs tied to the terms of an agreement entered into with the company's former chairman and chief executive officer. Approximately $8 million of the charges involve amounts payable after 1990.

On July 31, 1990, Donald H. DeMeuse was named Fort Howard's new chief executive officer, replacing Paul J. Schierl who resigned. DeMeuse (pronounced de Meese) has been Fort Howard president since 1984.

He joined the company in 1967 and has held various executive-level management positions. He was elected a Fort Howard vice president in 1977 and executive vice president in 1979. DeMeuse has been a member of the company's board of directors since 1978.

DeMeuse was employed by General Motors Corp. and Kimberly-Clark Corp. prior to joining Fort Howard. He is currently chairman-elect of the Wisconsin Paper Council.

In connection with the company's previously announced divestiture of its cup operations, Fort Howard changed its accounting for the cup operations to the equity method during the third quarter of 1989.

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CONCORD, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Citing improved gross margins and reduced R&D expenses, SBE Inc. (NASDAQ:SBEI) a manufacturer of communications and computer products, reported record sales and operating income for the third quarter, ended July 31.

Operating income was $780,000, up 129 percent over $340,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Sales were $5,433,000, a 7 percent increase over sales of $5,090,000 a year earlier. Earnings per share increased to 4 cents from 1 cent for the third quarter of 1989.

These results represent record sales and operating income since 1982, when SBE entered the computer business.

For the nine months, operating income rose from $508,000 to $1,357,000, an increase of 167 percent. Sales were $14,570,000, an 8 percent increase from $13,515,000 a year earlier. Earings per share rose from 2 cents to 9

cents.

''During the past year, we have been working at improving gross margins and, in turn, profitability,'' said Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William R. Gage. ''These efforts have come to fruition, as seen by the increase in SBE's record operating income.

''Reduced R&D expenses during the quarter, in part due to the closing of our Alcyon subsidiary, were a factor as well.

''Throughout the third quarter we continued expansion of our sales area, which we have been moving from manufacturers' representatives to direct sales,'' said Gage. ''Direct sales efforts from regional sales offices, located across the United States, will help SBE expand its customer base and better serve its clients.''

The third quarter was highlighted by the announcement of SBE's two new Token Ring communications controllers. ''With the IBM-backed Token Ring local area networking protocol finding increasing acceptance in the marketplace, demand for our new, high-performance VME and Multibus I Token Ring communications controllers has been strong,'' said Gage.

''The next few months will see continuation of the development of SBE's family of high-speed VME products that offer our customers the hardware/software solutions they need to reduce the time to market of their products,'' said Gage. ''We are also continuing to develop for new technologies in the future.''

SBE designs, manufactures and markets high-performance standard and custom-designed communications products for OEMs and systems integrators. Products include high-speed communications controllers, 680x0-based single-board computers and semi-custom ICs for VMEbus and Multibus I applications.

SBE Inc.
Earnings Digest
(in thousands, except per share data)

	3 months ended July 31,		9 months ended July 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 5,433	$ 5,090	$ 14,570	$ 13,515
Net income	667	260	1,623	355
Earnings per share	4 cents	1 cent	9 cents	2 cents
Weighted shares outstanding	17,932	17,890	17,931	17,880

Note to Editors: Multibus I is a registered trademark of Intel Corp.

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SANTA ANA, CALIF. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. has entered into a dealer agreement with Archon Systems Inc., a San Diego-based company.

Under terms of the agreement, Archon will have exclusive sales rights in Los Angeles and non-exclusive sales rights in San Diego for all Novadyne products.

In making the announcement, Novadyne's director of ISO sales, Chuck Kanouse, said that the company welcomes the opportunity to form a working relationship with Archon, an experienced computer systems reseller and systems integrator, specializing in equipment and applications utilizing the PICK and UNIX operating systems.

Archon focuses on systems utilizing a wide variety of file servers, gateways, bridges, training and network administration and integrating proven PICK and UNIX software solutions.

Through supporting multiple operating system environments, Archon specializes in developing applications in such diverse areas as insurance, wholesale distribution, communications and manufacturing in San Diego, Orange County, San Francisco and in their soon-to-be-opened Los Angeles branch in late September 1990.

''We will be working to service our existing customers as well as new ones by providing software support and operating system support in these areas '' said Archon vice president of sales and marketing, Philip B. Chait.

Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. products and services are marketed nationwide to companies in all facets of commerce including aerospace, retailing, transportation, distribution, communications, health care, educational organizations and federal and local government agencies.

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EL MONTE, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Marshall Industries (NYSE:MI) has

added Tripp Lite Manufacturing to its line card.

The distribution agreement, announced Monday, covers all Tripp Lite products, including battery back-ups, surge suppressors, inverters and power protection devices.

Tripp Lite, a leader in the power conditioning market, manufactures products compatible with all power standards. They are used widely in modems, faxes and computer systems. Tripp Lite products are also Novell network compatible and are excellent for LAN applications.

Bob Edelman, vice president of computer products for Marshall, believes the agreement creates a major benefit for customers.

''Our goal is to provide our customer base with a broad range of the best computer products available. Tripp Lite is a well-known, quality manufacturer of power conditioning products and fits very nicely into our product mix and market strategy. I look forward to a long, mutually beneficial relationship with Tripp Lite,'' he stated.

Keelin Wyman, Tripp Lite national sales manager, agrees. ''With the phenomenal growth in power protection, we believe it's timely for one of the leading distributors in the world to promote Tripp Lite. We foresee a long and bright future with Marshall Industries.''

The agreement is effective immediately at all Marshall locations.

Marshall Industries supplies and services the electronics industry through a network of industrial electronic distribution centers located throughout the United States and Canada.

Marshall's products include electronic components, integrated circuits, connectors, memory and computer products, electronic production supplies and hand tools and electronic assembly equipment.

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#90225b0121 08/13/1990 ~Business Wire
SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - SEEQ Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:SEEQ) announced that its MM28C010 -- 1024K EEPROM passed government test requirements for near space fligths and will be the main memory in NASA's Orbital Acceleration Research Experiment (OARE).

KMS Fusion recently completed development of OARE for NASA Johnson Space Center. The KMS OARE, an approximately $6 million instrument package,

will be installed on the Shuttle Orbiter Columbia scheduled for launch in December 1990. Once in orbit, the OARE will measure near space and reentry atmospheric condition to be used in designing future near space vehicles.

Ten missions of the shuttle are scheduled to include OARE instrument.

OARE instrumentation includes an ultrasensitive accelerometer package, signal processing and power conditioning electronics, a precision calibration platform, specialized mission and control software, and onboard solid state memory storage.

The critical element comprising the OARE's 4 M Byte main memory is SEEQ's MM28C010 CMOS 5V only, 128K x 8 EEPROMs. The million bit memory device consists of four 28C256 (32K x 8) CMOS EEPROMs and a two- to four-line decoder in Leadless Chip Carrier packages, mounted and interconnected on a ceramic substrate.

The MM28C010, available in a 32-pin module package, is ideal for applications requiring low power consumption, non-volatility and in-system reprogrammability. In the OARE application, 16 of the 32 pin modules were mounted on each of two printed circuit boards.

Performance of various memory devices used in near-to-deep space radiation intensive environment present many challenges for system and quality/reliability engineers. SEEQ Technology Inc. a leading manufacturer of CMOS nonvolatile memories, manufactures CMOS EEPROM devices that exhibit reliable performance during and after exposure to radiation.

This includes charged particles encountered in the near space environment where the experiment will take place. Tests simulating the decreased atmosphere and increased gamma rays of near space demonstrate the ability of SEEQ's CMOS devices to withstand higher radiation levels than other EEPROM devices.

SEEQ Technology Inc., is a leading designer and manufacturer of electrically erasable programmable read only memeories (EEPROMs), Flash EEPROMS, military UVEPROMs, ethernet data communications products and electrically erasable programmable logic devices.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Inc. (NASDAQ:SUNW) announced Monday that it has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a Registration Statement of a proposed offering by the company of 5,938,834 new shares of common stock together with 1,061,166 shares to be offered by certain selling stockholders.

Of the shares to be sold, 5,600,000 will be offered in the United States by Goldman, Sachs & Co., Salomon Brothers Inc. and Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. Of the shares to be sold 1,400,000 will be sold outside the United States by an international syndicate managed by Goldman Sachs International Ltd., Salomon Brothers International Ltd. and Dean Witter Capital Markets--International Ltd.

The underwriters have a 30-day option to purchase an additional 1,050,000 shares of common stock from the company to cover over-allotments.

''Our balance sheet has been a key area of management focus for Sun throughout FY90, and we have been successful in significantly increasing our level of cash reserves,'' said Scott G. McNealy, chairman, president and chief executive officer.

''We believe that a strong balance sheet, a substantial cash position and borrowing capacity are important competitive factors in our industry, and this offering will improve our position in all three areas.

''Importantly, this offering will put stockholders' equity at a level where we feel comfortable at this point in time.''

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, is a leading worldwide supplier of general purpose computer systems based upon the distributed computing model of networked workstations and servers.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective.

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SANTA ANA, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Bert J. Novak has been named chairman of the board of Novadyne Computer Systems Inc., effective July 24 1990.

According to a spokesperson, Novak is also the president and chief executive officer of Novadyne (formerly McDonnell Douglas Field Service Co.).

Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. is one of the largest independent field service and computer systems distribution organizations in North America, with over 1,000 professionals located in over 100 offices.

Having spent the past 25 years in the computer industry, Novak joined the McDonnell Douglas Field Service Co. in May 1987 as president. He joined that firm in 1967 when it was the Tymshare Corp. and subsequently served in a succession of managerial posts. When Tymshare was acquired by McDonnell Douglas in 1984, Novak was an officer and group vice president of Tymshare Inc.

Born in Pittsburgh, Pa., in 1939, Novak moved to Southern California in 1963. He completed his bachelor of science degree at Northrop University in 1968, where he studied aeronautical engineering and business administration. He also spent four years in the Air Force from 1959 through 1963.

Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. products and services are marketed nationwide to companies in all facets of commerce including aerospace, retailing, transportation, distribution, communications, health care, educational organizations and federal and local government agencies.

Novadyne has depot centers located in Irvine, Calif., Norristown, Pa., and Dallas. Within the last year, it became the exclusive North American hardware maintenance supplier for Sanyo/Icon, the exclusive on-site hardware maintenance supplier to Penril DataComm's customer base in the United States, and also assumed responsibility for all sales and marketing responsibility for McDonnell Douglas computer systems in January 1990.

The company additionally broadened its DEC software support options under a new multifaceted VMS program introduced at the beginning of the year.

Novadyne headquarters will remain at its present Santa Ana location until nearby construction of its new facility is complete in mid-1991. Revenues in 1989 exceeded $100 million.

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BRISBANE, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwest Diversified (SWD), a leading developer of homes and master-planned communities in California and Arizona, has named Richard Dennis as vice president of sales and marketing for its Northern California division, according to an announcement made by Clark Atwood, SWD senior vice president and division

manager.

Atwood said: "Richard's extensive experience and outstanding marketing successes in the home-building industry will provide the leadership necessary to meet and exceed our sales expectations for the Northern division. He is a marketing and sales superstar that will round out our starting lineup and further enhance Southwest Diversified's superlative home-building team."

Before coming to SWD, Dennis served as division director of sales and marketing for Kaufman & Broad in the Antelope Valley office. During his tenure, the 14-person sales staff closed more than 530 buyers, grossing $80 million, achieved a 40 percent increase in annual market share and led all Southern California divisions in net sales in the quarter ended May 31.

Prior to Kaufman & Broad, Dennis was regional marketing services manager for Cincinnati-based Ryan Homes. He was responsible for the development and execution of the regional marketing plan and was accountable for all sales and marketing for ten neighborhoods in the Cincinnati and Dayton metropolitan areas. While there, he achieved a 27 percent increase over projected annual sales.

Dennis began his home-building career with General Homes Corp. of Houston and rose to the position of sales project manager for the Phoenix division. He was named Phoenix Sales Manager of the Year after closing 457 homes and grossing $40.7 million.

Dennis is active in the Building Industry Association Sales and Marketing Council and resides with his wife, Susan, and their two daughters in Brisbane.

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JERSEY CITY, NJ (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Bel Fuse Inc. (NASDAQ:BELF) Monday reported net earnings for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $41,000, or 1 cent per share, on revenue of $9,433,000.

Net earnings for last year's second quarter were $11,000, or less than 1 cent per share, including a $291,000, benefit from the utilization of tax loss carryforwards, on revenue of $7,663,000.

President Elliot Bernstein said that the solid revenue and earnings performance recorded by Bel's Far East division in the quarter was masked by continued losses at the company's domestic hybrid circuit division that included severance expenses associated with layoffs announced in May and

start-up costs incurred in connection with expanded European operations.

He added that second-quarter results also reflect a reversal of the remaining inventory reserve established in the fourth quarter of 1989 due to the bankruptcy of a Far East division customer.

Overall, Bernstein said that operating profits for the second quarter rose to $276,000, compared with an operating loss of $252,000, last year as the gross margin reached 30 percent vs. 25 percent in the second quarter of 1989.

He said that because of this success in mainland China, Bel has decided to double the size of its plant there from 25,000 to approximately 50,000 square feet during the next few months.

Company-wide backlog increased to about $11,480,000, at June 30, 1990, from $11,056,000, at March 31, 1990, and $9,253,000, at June 30, 1989. As of the end of the second quarter, Bel Fuse reported working capital of $10,800,000, a current ratio of 2.6-1, only $138,000, in long-term debt and stockholders' equity of $27.9 million, or $5.78 per share.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net earnings were $140,100, or 3 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $123,000, or 3 cents per share, that included benefits from loss carryforwards of $713,000, for the first half of 1989. Revenues were $18,543,000, up 30 percent from revenues of $14,273,000, for the prior year.

Bel Fuse and its subsidiaries are primarily engaged in the design, manufacture and sale of electronic components. The company operates facilities in Jersey City; Mt. Carmel, Ill.; Camby, Ind.; Hong Kong; mainland China; and Macau, and has recently begun operations at its new facility in Waterford, Ireland.

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ROCKY RIVER, OH (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - SIS CORP today announced a net loss of $481,373 on sales of $9,337,830 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The 31 cents per share loss compares to a 9 cents per share loss, $144,600 on sales of $10,681,783 in the like 1989 quarter.

On Feb. 28, 1989, the company filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy code and has been operating its business as debtor-in-possession under supervision of the Bankruptcy Court. On Aug. 1, 1990, the company filed a Joint Plan of Reorganization with the Bankruptcy Court which is, in effect, a plan for the orderly sale and liquidation of the assets of the company for the benefit of its creditors while continuing operations under the protection of Chapter 11.

SIS CORP operates Sisters Chicken & Biscuits restaurants, as well as serving as franchisor with respect to certain Sisters Chicken & Biscuits franchises.

SIS CORP stock is traded over the counter.

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DENVER (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Rocky Mountain Beverage Co. Inc. (NASDAQ:RMBCU) reported results for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter ending June 30, 1990, were up $81,043 to $275,961 vs. net sales for the quarter ending June 30, 1989, of $194,918, an increase for the period of 42 percent.

Losses were $142,690 for the quarter ending June 30, 1990, vs. $67,557 over the same period in 1989. Per share loss for the period ending June 30 was two cents vs. one cent for the same period in 1989, (based on 7,965,173 vs. 5,380,356 average weighted number of shares outstanding).

The loss was attributed to expected expenses associated with opening of new markets for ''Colorado Crystal,'' the company's line of bottled mountain spring water, in the Arizona market and Dallas/Ft. Worth area, as well as to the purchase of equipment for the company's bottling facility in Orchard City, Colo.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&E Corp. (ASE:ATW), a development stage company, reported Monday that for the second quarter ended June 29, 1990, the company had total revenues of $495,000 and a net loss of $(9,540,000), or (89 cents) per common share, compared to total revenues of $1,131,000 and a net loss of $(5,047,000), or (51 cents) per common share, for the like period in 1989.

The financial results are consistent with planned expenditures related to completion of the testing of all elements of the RECEPTOR Personal Communications System (PCS) in anticipation of the market trial which commenced in July 1990 in Portland, Ore. The RECEPTOR PCS, upon implementation through AT&E's operating subsidiaries, will provide a low-cost, wireless link between standard telephones and subscribers using SEIKO RECEPTOR MessageWatches.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp. Monday announced that through Wesmark, a master licensee of ''Clearly Canadian,'' it has entered into a distribution agreement with Federated Distributors.

Under the terms of the distribution agreement, Federated Distributors will handle the distribution of ''Clearly Canadian Sparkling Mineral Water'' in Illinois and Wisconsin. Federated has placed an initial order with the company for 100,000 cases.

Federated Distributors is the largest premium brand distributor in the United States. Its Chicago operation employs 175 salespeople, who service over 10,000 accounts representing an estimated population base of 8.8 million.

Douglas L. Mason, president and chief executive officer of Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp., stated, ''We are very excited to announce the commencement of product distribution in Illinois and Wisconsin. Federated Distributors' demonstrated expertise in these markets will enhance 'Clearly Canadian's' brand awareness in this region. Since Illinois is the leading U.S. market for Canadian beverages on a per capita basis and the fifth most populous state, this development should contribute significantly to Clearly Canadian's revenues and earnings.''

Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp. produces and markets ''Clearly Canadian,'' a line of natural and flavored sparkling mineral waters. Through distribution agreements, ''Clearly Canadian'' is sold in 30 states, all of

Canada, Japan and England.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - N-W Group Inc., a Phoenix-based company engaged in the businesses of real estate development and pipeline construction, Monday reported the following comparative results for the six month periods ended June 30, 1990 and 1989.

N-W Group Inc. and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(in thousands except per share data)
(U.S. dollars)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 3,658	$ 2,991	$14,551	$10,385
Income (loss) before extraordinary items	(916)	1,092	68	1,431
Extraordinary items	1,064	--	1,064	--
Net income	$ 148	$ 1,092	$ 1,132	1,431
Net income per share	4 cents	26 cents	29 cents	34 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,778	4,209	3,851	4,209

The weighted average shares outstanding have been proportionately adjusted for the reverse split and forward split of the company's common stock effective June 6.

N-W Group Inc. common shares trade over-the-counter through the NASDAQ National Market System (NWGI).

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HOUSTON (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Plains Resources Monday reported a net loss of $672,000, or 12 cents per share, on total revenue of $8,567,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, as compared with net income of $1,516,000, or 32 cents per share, on total revenue of $6,086,000 for the second quarter of 1989.

Operating cash flow for the quarter was $1,316,000 as compared with $2,849,000 for the corresponding quarter in 1989. Plains said that the sharp contrast in its quarter-to-quarter comparison of net income and operating cash flow primarily reflects the one-time effect of its settlement of certain natural gas contract litigation during the second quarter of 1989.

During the second quarter of 1990, Plains' oil production increased 183 percent to nearly 82,000 barrels from 29,000 barrels in the prior year's second quarter, despite the temporary loss of production from certain fields during the quarter due to flood conditions in southeast Texas and Louisiana.

The substantial increase in Plains' oil production resulted primarily from work performed since the beginning of the year on properties acquired during the latter half of 1989, Plains said. Plains' gas production also increased 20 percent during the quarter to 1.2 billion cubic feet from about 1 billion cubic feet in the prior year's quarter, the company said.

Although its oil and gas production increased significantly during the quarter, Plains said that the oil and gas prices realized for its production registered sharp declines from the prior year's level. The average price received by Plains for its oil production fell to $16.73 per barrel, down $2.50 from the $19.23 barrel received in the prior year's quarter.

Plains' average gas price for the second quarter declined 37 percent to $1.76 per Mcf from the prior year's second quarter level of $2.79 per Mcf which included the effects the company's settlement of gas contract litigation.

For the first half of 1990, Plains recorded a net loss of $865,000, or 17 cents per share, on total revenue of $15,894,000. This compares with net income of $741,000, or 7 cents per share, on total revenue of $10,258,000 for the same period in 1989. Operating cash flow for the first six months of 1990 was $3,152,000 as contrasted with $3,719,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Airlines' OnePass frequent flyer program announced two new reward options for their members' OnePass miles.

OnePass is conducting an auction for a two-day weekend in Albuquerque, N.M., for the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta, Oct. 6-14. Six of the highest bidders (125,000 miles minimum bid) will win their choice of opening weekend, Oct. 6-7, or closing weekend, Oct. 13-14.

They win a champagne balloon ride for two, two nights' accommodations at the Doubletree Hotel-Albuquerque, two days' car rental courtesy of National Car Rental, and roundtrip airfare for two from anywhere in the mainland United States to Albuquerque.

Continental Airlines has its own hot air balloon entered in the races for the nine-day event. It is also sponsoring a V.I.P. Hospitality Tent open to the public, complete with a remote reservations and OnePass service operations.

The Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta is the largest of its kind in the world, with over 600 balloon entries representing several countries. Attendance is anticipated to be well over the 800,000 mark of last year.

The second new reward option announced is the Millionaire Reward offering OnePass members the opportunity to redeem 1 million miles for a year of First Class travel with Gold Elite status on companion. Their travel plans can include travel to the Caribbean, Europe, Hawaii and the South Pacific.

And, there are no restricted travel dates. Millionaire Reward ticket holders can take one domestic round trip per calendar week (Monday - Sunday) and up to three domestic round trips to the same city during the one-year validity period. Members call the OnePass Service Center at 713/952-1630 by Dec. 31, 1990, to request the reward.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Mutual Resources Ltd. (VSE:MTR) is pleased to announce that Teck Corp. has resumed drilling on the company's Dixie Lake property located 15 miles south of Red Lake, Ontario.

In this current phase of drilling, Teck will test the strike extension of the 88-4 Zone which has a geological reserve of 420,000 tons grading 0.13 ounces of gold per ton.

In addition, Teck has commenced a 1500 line-kilometre Dighem airborne geophysical survey over the Dixie Lake volcanic belt which includes the company's claims. The results of this survey will enable Teck to focus

further drilling on potential gold and base metal targets on the property.

Teck can earn a 60 percent property interest by spending $2 million on exploration by July 1994 and making all underlying cash payments to the property vendors, who retain a 3 percent net smelter returns royalty.

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Invitron Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:INVN) announced Monday revenues of $1.4 million and a net loss of $4.2 million, or 27 cents per share, for the second quarter of 1990.

This compares with $3.1 million of revenues and a net loss of $3.3 million or 21 cents per share, for the second quarter of 1989.

Invitron had revenues of $2.7 million for the first half of 1990, as compared with $7.9 million for the comparable 1989 period. The net loss for the first half of 1990 was $9.5 million, or 61 cents per share, vs. $4.7 million, or 31 cents per share, for the comparable 1989 period.

Revenues from companies other than SmithKline Beecham Corp. increased from $.5 million during the first quarter of 1990 to $1.1 million during the second quarter. During the comparable 1989 periods, non-SmithKline revenues were $.7 million and $.8 million, respectively.

In February 1990, SmithKline announced that it was directing its AIDS research away from a product being produced for it by Invitron, towards other AIDS treatment candidates. The $1.1 million of quarterly revenues represents the largest amount of revenues from companies other than SmithKline and G.D. Searle, which was Invitron's major customer until 1987.

Total operating costs and expenses for the first half of 1990 included $0.3 million in expenses in connection with the previously announced termination of approximately one-third of the company's work force which took effect in late April. Other steps to reduce Invitron's cash operating expenses have also been taken.

As a result, as of May 1, 1990, the company is spending approximately $1.25 million per month for cash operating expenses, a reduction of approximately $0.6 million per month as compared to 1989.

Invitron continues to hold preliminary and informational discussions with several pharmaceutical companies in efforts to seek additional funds for the company through one or more of the sale of equity or debt, the

establishment of licensing and manufacturing relationships, or other financing alternatives.

Such efforts to date have not been successful. In addition, as previously announced, because of the desire of Monsanto Co. to sell its holdings in Invitron, such a transaction could also include the acquisition of all or a portion of Monsanto's holdings in Invitron. Monsanto Co. is Invitron's largest shareholder and directly and indirectly owns 58 percent of Invitron's stock.

Invitron Corp. is engaged in the discovery, development and production of biopharmaceuticals. The company employs a broad array of skills in the production of mammalian cell-derived biopharmaceuticals for itself and others. The company is developing potential proprietary biopharmaceuticals principally in the areas of wound healing, neurological disease and autoimmune disease. Fourteen products have been produced by Invitron for its customers for use in human clinical trials.

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HAYWARD, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Kenneth E. Anderson, president of Monitek Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:MTEK), Monday announced operating results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

Net income for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990 rose to $4,411, compared with $1,952 reported in the like period a year ago. Net sales for the quarter were $1,834,952 compared with $1,848,488 in fiscal 1990.

In reviewing operations, Anderson indicated that the company's relatively flat sales during the first quarter was primarily a result of lower export sales which were offset by price increases which averaged approximately 4 percent for all product lines.

He indicated that the decline in first-quarter export sales is not cause for alarm since historically there have been large fluctuations in sales volume on a quarterly basis, depending upon the size and timing of large contracts (in excess of $50,000), of which there are generally five or six per year, he said.

Anderson stated that the outlook for the company during the balance of fiscal 1991 is positive as a result of an anticipated increase in domestic and export sales, introduction of new products and continued worldwide penetration of targeted markets and applications.

Anderson sited as an example of an exciting new product, enhancing an already proven technology, being the company's newest version of Micro Pure Oil-In-Water Analyzer. This Real-Time Measuring Instrument allows for automating various water recovery processes used in the oil industry for production enhancement.

In addition, it is an effective tool for monitoring effluents from various types of processing facilities to assure minimum environmental impact. This, along with the recently introduced ''Cell Density Analyzer'' for biotechnology and pharmaceutical applications, is expected to increase sales.

Monitek Technologies is a rapidly growing, technologically advanced instrument manufacturer at the forefront of the liquid monitoring industry. Utilizing optical, magnetic, ultrasonic and accoustical technologies, the company can analyze and measure liquids used in industrial and waste water environments.

MONITEK TECHNOLOGIES INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME DATA

First Quarter	June 30,	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,834,952	$1,848,488
Net income	$ 4,411	$ 1,952
Net income per share	.00	.00
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	3,010,000	3,010,000

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OAKLAND, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Equitec Financial Group Inc. (NYSE:EFG), reported a net loss of $3.4 million or $.68 per share on

revenues of $8.3 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $3.3 million or $.68 per share on revenues of $11.8 million for the same period in 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company posted a net loss of $8.8 million or $1.78 per share, on revenues of $16.8 million versus a net loss of $4.6 million or $.93 per share, on revenues of $22.3 million for the first six months of 1989.

	3 MONTHS ENDED 6/30/90	3 MONTHS ENDED 6/30/89
	(In thousands, except per share amount)	
Revenues - continuing operations	$8,323	$11,813
Net loss: Loss from continuing operations	$(3,370)	$(1,349)
Loss from discontinued operations	-	(2,000)
Net Loss	$(3,370)	$(3,349)
Net loss per share of Common stock: Loss from continuing operations	$(.68)	$(.27)
Loss from discontinued operations	-	(.41)
Net loss per share	$(.68)	$(.68)

	6 MONTHS ENDED 6/30/90	6 MONTHS ENDED 6/30/89
	(In thousands, except per share amount)	
Revenues - continuing operations	$16,770	$22,296
Net loss: Loss from continuing operations	$(7,735)	$(2,589)
Loss from discontinued operations	(1,073)	(2,000)
Net Loss	$(8,808)	$(4,589)
Net loss per share of Common stock: Loss from continuing operations	$(1.56)	$(.52)
Loss from discontinued operations	(.22)	(.41)
Net loss per share	$(1.78)	$(.93)

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DALLAS (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The Southland Corp. Monday reported that

its earnings from continuing operations before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, were $90.9 million and $122.4 million, respectively.

Revenues for the two periods were virtually unchanged from the prior year at $2.15 billion and $4.09 billion, respectively. The company reported net losses of $58.1 million and $127.5 million for the quarter and six months, respectively. Results for the six months include the recognition of an extraordinary credit of $52.0 million representing the tax benefit from the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards.

This benefit is available as a result of the recognition of the tax gain from the sale of the company's remaining 50 percent interest in Citgo Petroleum Corp. during the first quarter.

During the second quarter and six months, the company's 7-Eleven and other convenience stores increased average merchandise sales per comparable store month by 2.50 percent and 3.04 percent, respectively. Total merchandise gross profits increased 1 percent for the six months and declined slightly for the quarter.

Total retail gasoline gross profits declined for both the quarter and the six months due to fewer gasoline locations and lower per-gallon margin that more than offset increases in average gallons sold per store.

On July 16, Southland announced a revised plan to restructure its outstanding public debt and preferred stock. The plan calls for Ito-Yokado and Seven-Eleven Japan, two longstanding Southland business partners, to make a cash infusion of $430 million into Southland in exchange for 70 percent of new Southland common stock.

Bondholders and preferred shareholders will receive a total of approximately 25 percent of Southland's common stock, and Southland's existing shareholders will retain approximately 5 percent of the common stock, subject to the consummation of the exchange offers.

Southland is the world's largest convenience retailer, with approximately 6,800 7-Eleven and other convenience units supported by the five Southland Distribution Centers, as well as the Southland Foods Division's six food centers. In addition, area licensees and affiliates operate almost 6,100 7-Eleven stores in the United States, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico and 18 foreign countries.

This announcement does not constitute an offer to sell or to buy any security or the solicitation of any consents or proxies, which offers and consent or proxy solicitation shall only be made by means of a proxy statement/prospectus.

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MENLO PARK, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Zycad Corp. Monday reported a net loss of $17,330,000, or $1.14 per share, on revenues of $4,972,000 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The net loss included restructuring charges and asset write-down of $10,528,000, or 70 cents per share. For the comparable period ended June 30, 1989, the net loss was $66,000, or 1 cent per share, on revenues of $7,612,000.

For the six month period ended June 30, 1990, the net loss amounted to $18,672,000, or $1.23 per share, on revenues of $14,203,000, compared with net income of $504,000, or 3 cents per share, on revenues of $16,162,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

Phillips W. Smith, president and chief executive officer who recently joined Zycad in June 1990, stated: ''The loss from operations and the restructuring charges in the second quarter are directly attributable to the transition from marketing older generation products to our price competitive new products, the System Evaluator (SE) and the XP100.

''The SE, which was first shipped in March 1990, will spearhead the market penetration in the traditional 'High End' major systems design market, while the XP100, which was successfully introduced at the June Design Automation Conference, is targeted for penetrating the ASIC market.''

As a result of this new marketing focus and actions taken to lower operating costs, Zycad is now better positioned for profitability in the second half of 1990.

Zycad Corp. designs, manufactures and markets high-performance logic simulation, design verification and test-generation tools for the computer-aided engineering (CAE) industry.

Zycad's simulation products consist of integrated simulation software, simulators based on VHDL (IEEE 1076) hardware description language and very high speed, special-purpose computers. Zycad products are used to substantially increase engineering productivity in the design, development and test of sophisticated electronic systems and integrated circuits.

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VENTURA, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Benton Oil and Gas Co. (OTC:BNTN) Monday announced results of operations for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 and a major acquisition.

Revenues for the second quarter were $359,429 compared with $91,533 for the same quarter of 1989. Second-quarter expenses were $812,133 for 1990, compared with $275,085 for 1989. The net loss for the quarter was $452,704, or 11 cents per share, compared with a 1989 second-quarter loss of $183,552, or 8 cents per share.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990 revenues were $473,534, compared with $42,302 for the same period of 1989. Six-month expenses were $1,343,418 for 1990, compared with $389,630 for 1989. The net loss for the first half of 1990 was $680,530, or 20 cents per share, compared with a corresponding 1989 period loss of $285,730, or 19 cents per share.

Revenues and expenses for the second quarter and first half of 1990 were considerably larger than the comparable periods of 1989 because of the enhanced level of operations of the company. The second quarter of 1989 was the first complete quarter of operations after its initial public offering.

The company's oil sales were impacted by seasonal downward adjustments in prices during the second quarter. The average price for oil production at its Pershing Field declined from approximately $21.40 in January to approximately $16.06 in June.

In addition, the company announced the acquisition of an additional 16.4 percent working interest in the West Cote Blanche Bay Field. The company now controls a 19.1 percent working interest in the West Cote Blanche Bay Field.

Its acquisition costs have been approximately $7.5 million. In addition, the company anticipates developing additional reserves of approximately 5 million barrels of oil and 7 billion cubic feet of natural gas for an estimated cost of $18.3 million.

These cash flows, along with the company's share of drilling and development costs during the period, were deducted from the acquisition costs as reflected in the company's balance sheet. Future results of operations will include the results from West Cote Blanche Bay.

Benton Oil and Gas, based in Ventura, is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with operations in California, Colorado Oklahoma, Texas and Louisiana.

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SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Solitec Inc. (NASDAQ:SOLI) reported that revenues for the third fiscal quarter ended June 30 were $2,429,000 compared to $3,565,000 for the third fiscal quarter of the prior year.

The company had a net loss of $848,000, or 12 cents per share, in the third fiscal quarter of 1990 compared to a net loss of $898,000, or 18 cents per share, in the comparable period of the prior year.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $8,303,000 compared to $13,694,000 for the first nine months of 1989. The company reported a net loss of $1,506,000, or 21 cents per share, for the first nine months of 1990 versus a net loss of $778,000, and 15 cents per share, for the like period in 1989.

Joseph J. McDowell, president, said that revenues fell due to an industry slowdown, and that the nine month loss included approximately $75,000 of severance expenses, approximately $70,000 of expenses related to the company's S-1 registration, and a non-cash charge of $86,000 as a debt conversion expense.

The company also announced that its temporary reduction of the exercise price for its Class B Warrants had ended on July 31, and that 7,000 warrants had been exercised during the offering period.

Solitec also announced that Partha R.R. Sarathy, who joined the firm in March 1989 as controller, had been promoted and elected chief financial officer effective Aug. 9, 1990. Sarathy continues to report to Joseph McDowell, chief executive officer. McDowell had also functioned as chief financial officer prior to Sarathy's promotion.

Solitec is a publicly-held manufacturer of production equipment for the Semiconductor Industry.

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SUNNYVALE, Calif. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxim Integrated Products

reported record revenues of $16,129,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal '90, a 38 percent gain over the $11,681,000 of the like period a year ago.

Fourth quarter fiscal '90 net income was $2,160,000 (or 16 cents per share) -- the 17th consecutive increasingly profitable quarter for Maxim.

Revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30 were $55,960,000, a 33 percent increase over the $42,063,000 of fiscal 1989. Fiscal '90 net income increased 39 percent, to $7,603,000 compared with $5,458,000 in fiscal '89. Earnings per share for fiscal 1990 increased to 58 cents per share from 44 cents in fiscal 1989.

Operating income was 19.1 percent of sales, continuing to be one of the industry's highest. Return on equity for fiscal 1990 was 23 percent. Gross margins for the year were 50.4 percent.

Jack Gifford, president and chief executive officer, commented, ''Although the company invested operating capital in a major wafer fabrication facility and grew sales by a record amount, we were able to produce positive cash flow of $2.2M for the fourth quarter.

''In fact, this effort had no negative effect on Maxim's earnings and negligible effect on liquidity. Few companies in the history of our industry have installed such a facility without accumulating excessive inventories, draining cash or negatively impacting income. We expect significant future benefits from this facility in the form of increased productivity, lower costs, higher quality and accelerated new product development.''

Gifford continued, ''During the fourth quarter we announced 11 new products, four short of our '15 products per quarter' goal. We missed six due to foundry delivery delays, two more because of problems with test engineering software and three because the ICs didn't work well enough to announce.

''We expect to rebound to our target level in the coming quarters. Of the 11 announced, several were outstanding and should significantly contribute to revenues in the coming years. For example, our new 12-bit A/D converter, the MAX174, offers major speed, power and size improvements over the industry standard 574A -- without a price premium.

''We estimate the market for this product currently exceeds $15M per year. And our new MAX743 DC-DC converter offers major performance and cost advantages over existing power supplies widely used in industrial equipment design.

''Sixty-one products were announced in fiscal '90, exemplifying our commitment to developing proprietary and second source devices of

importance to our customers. Our current total of 371 products remains the most introduced by any analog company over the past seven years.

''Of these, 169 are proprietary products. Maxim's proprietary products now account for 70 percent of revenues, contributing healthy gross margins and serving to solidify Maxim's position in what has historically been a recession resistant analog industry.

''Our reputation as a technological innovator is growing, as evidenced in a recent industry survey by Electronic Engineering Times placing Maxim 8th in technological innovation among all semiconductor companies and first among analog companies.

''We believe that following the course we've laid out for Maxim will enable us to become a major factor in the precision analog business.''

Maxim Integrated Products is a leading supplier of quality analog products for applications that require real world signal processing.

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WOOD DALE, IL (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - NEC Technologies Inc. Monday introduced the UltraLite 286V laptop, a 6.5 pound 12 megahertz battery-powered notebook computer, providing the connectivity, expandibility and functionality of a desktop computer.

''The original NEC UltraLite laptop created the notebook category of portable personal computers. Now, the UltraLite 286V laptop takes everything a step further, providing the extended functionality end users demand,'' said Paul Sereiko, senior product manager for notebook computer products.

''286-based processing power, VGA graphics and enhanced mass storage capabilities are now available in a sleek convenient package.''

Running at 12 megahertz on a 80286 processor, the UltraLite 286V laptop features significant advantages: - the components necessary to run advanced operating environments and graphics-based applications such as Windows 3.0 - a 10-inch backlit screen providing up to 20 percent greater viewing area over other notebook computers - VGA 640 x 480 resolution support - 1 megabyte of system RAM, expandable to 2 or 5 megabytes - 20 megabytes of hard-disk storage space - enhanced communuications options including a 2400 bps modem and a send/receive FAX modem - optional SCSI adapter allowing connection of external devices such as NEC's Intersect CDR-35 CD-ROM reader - dual removable battery

cartridge system providing up to 2.5 hours of power and allowing users ''on-the-fly'' battery changes - Auto-sensing/auto-switching AC power supply for U.S. and international use.

The UltraLite 286V laptop will begin shipping in September and will be available through NEC's authorized dealer network. The suggested retail price of the UltraLite 286V laptop is $3,999. Standard configuration includes laptop, 2 battery packs, 20 MB hard drive, AC adapter, external floppy disk drive and 1 MB of RAM.

NEC Technologies Inc., a leading supplier of computers and peripherals for the U.S. market, is an affiliate of NEC Corp., a $24 billion manufacturer of computer, communications, semiconductor and home entertainment products.

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WOOD DALE, IL (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - NEC Technologies Inc. introduced Monday its second generation modular personal computer.

The 12.9 pound battery-powered ProSpeed SX/20 laptop runs at 20 megahertz and can be used with an advanced Docking Station unit for ''one-touch'' transition from portable to desktop operation.

In addition to the flexibility the ProSpeed SX/20 laptop offers between desktop and portable environments, this modular PC also offers many benefits to users: - A brillant black and white backlit MonoGraph CTN LCD display for the high-contrast, crisp readability required by graphics intensive software such as Windows 3.0 - One megabyte of system RAM, expandable to 5 megabytes that supports paged and interleave mode memory access for fractional wait state performance - A 40-megabyte hard disk provides quick access to large amounts of information - Communications options including a 2400 bps data modem or a 9600 bps send/receive fax and data modem - Extended battery life via a''stand-by mode'' which allows users to power down their laptop without exiting a program. One touch brings users right back to their programs without having to reload - A special locking mechanism which secures the laptop to any other stationary device. The Docking Station unit also has significant benefits for users: - Enables one-touch transition between desktop to portable mode without repetitive system reconfiguration - Provides industry-standard desktop expansion capabilities with the inclusion of two full-size AT slots - Storage options ranging from CD-ROM hard drives, floppy drives or tape drives can be installed in the 5.25 inch half-height drive bay - A full complement of ports allows users to connect all their peripherals to the Docking Station unit and avoid constant reconnection - A special locking

design and special handle allow users to carry the Docking Station unit and the ProSpeed SX/20 laptop as one unit - The Docking station unit may be used horizontally, in a tower configuaration, or placed on the floor

NEC Technologies Inc., a leading supplier of computers and peripherals for the U.S. market, is an affiliate of NEC Corp., a $25 billion manufacturer of computer, communications, semiconductor and home entertainment products.

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PISCATAWAY, NJ (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - If a picture is worth 1,000 words, it could be worth many thousands of lines of computer code.

That's the principle behind a new Bellcore software prototype that can translate the source code of large and complex computer programs into easy-to-understand maps and pictures.

Now programmers who maintain and enhance software to improve reliability of such systems can literally see at a glance how the various parts work together and how they are related to each other.

Before a programmer can make any changes, he or she needs to know exactly how the system is structured and how the various segments of code communicate with, and are dependent upon, each other, Matthews said.

This assessment often requires a tedious and time-consuming search through a system's source code (the complex collection of algorithms that make up the system) and accompanying documentation, Matthews added.

Bellcore based the graphical display capability of HEAVENS on technology developed by Microelectronics and Computer Technology Corp. (MCC), the Austin, Texas research consortium of which Bellcore is a charter member. That technology, MCC's GERM (Graphical Entity Relationship Modeler), is a prototype tool for graphically organizing, browsing and retrieving information.

HEAVENS uses the capabilities of its GERM technology to translate the software into a visual map, with each component, or module, represented as a picture, or icon.

Using HEAVENS, programmers load the ''C'' language source code of the system they wish to change onto a graphics-based computer workstation. (''C'' language is widely-used in major software systems.) HEAVENS automatically converts the source code into visual representations which

can be customized by the programmers themselves. Straight lines link one icon to another to better show relationships among pieces of information. Programmers can get additional information - in the form of text or graphic detail - by pointing to an icon or the connecting link.

Either the diagrams or the source code can then be ''edited'' to redefine relationships among various segments of a program, eliminate duplicaiton and simplify the overall system.

HEAVENS can also be used to support object-oriented design systems, particularly those using the C++ programming language, Matthews added. HEAVENS diagrams the way various modules in large software systems relate to each other and in so doing, it interprets the program design documentation and the C++ code -- a feature unavailable in traditional programming environments.

Bellcore is currently making the HEAVENS prototype software available to its owners.

Bellcore provides research and other technical support to the telephone companies of Ameritech, Bell Atlantic, BellSouth, NYNEX, Pacific Telesis, Southwestern Bell Corp. and U S. WEST, as well as Cincinnati Bell and The Southern New England Telephone Company.

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SPOKANE, WASH. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Key Tronic Corp. (NASDAQ:KTCC), the Spokane-based manufacturer of computer keyboards and other input devices, Monday reported a net income of $1.5 million ($.18 per share) on net sales of $140.2 million for the year ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported a net income of $3.1 million ($.37 per share) on sales of $145.9 million in the previous fiscal year.

In the fourth quarter, the company reported net income of $1.8 million ($.23 per share) on sales of $32.0 million compared to a net income of $1.3 million in the fourth quarter of the previous year on net sales of $36.9 million.

Key Tronic Corp.
Financial Highlights
(in thousands, except per share amounts)
Fourth Quarter Ended Fiscal Year Ended

	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net sales	$32,030	$36,860	$140,160	$145,937
Net income	$ 1,819	$ 1,341	$ 1,461	$ 3,134
Per share	$ .23	$ .16	$ .18	$ .37
Weighted average shares outstanding	7,866	8,391	8,079	8,421

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TORRANCE, CALIF. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Epson America Inc. has extended its standard warranty period from one year to two on several of its popular dot-matrix printers.

The move provides increased value to end-users who purchase selected models as of Aug. 1, 1990. In the nine-pin category, the two-year warranty applies to the LX-810, FX-850 and FX-1050 printer. Epson's 24-pin models that come with a two-year warranty include the LQ-510, LQ-850, LQ-860, LQ-950, LQ-1010 and LQ-1050.

In addition to the two-year standard warranty, Epson announced a special promotion with its LQ-510 and LQ-1010 printers. The company will provide a free multifont module with every LQ-510 or LQ-1010 purchased on or after Aug. 1, 1990, until supplies last.

Along with the Epson Roman and San Serif fonts that are resident on both models, the font module offers Prestige, Script, Courier, Orator and Orator S for enhanced text customization, as well as OCR-A and OCR-B for text scanning. The font module has a manufacturer's suggested retail price of $99.

Both the LQ-510, an 80-column printer, and the LQ-1010, a 136-column printer, provide professional output for home and small-business users. A 24-pin printhead produces sharp, 360x360 dots-per-inch resolution at speeds of up to 60 characters per second (cps) in letter-quality mode and up to 180 cps in draft mode.

The LQ-510 and LQ-1010 printers are compatible with most MS-DOS computers and work effectively with Macintosh computers through the use of Freedom of Press PostScript language software.

Epson's SelecType control panel facilitates a variety of output and paper options with the touch of a button. The LQ-510 and LQ-1010 come equipped with Epson's SmartPark feature that allows users to switch easily between different paper formats.

Other advanced paper handling capabilities include micro-line adjustment to within 1/180 inch, and an automatic, short tear-off bar that eliminates paper waste when printing on continuous form paper.

Epson's line of dot-matrix, laser and ink jet printers are available from authorized resellers nationwide.

Epson America is a manufacturer and marketer of personal computer and imaging products serving the North American marketplace.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Applebee's International Inc. (NASDAQ:APPB) Monday announced preliminary second quarter profit of $475,305, or 10 cents per share, compared to a loss of $333,380, or 11 cents per share for the second quarter last year.

The company also reported that total system sales increased almost 25 million, to $55,908,834 for 13 weeks ended July 1, 1990, as compared to $30,944,187 for 13 weeks ended June 25, 1989.

Although this is primarily attributable to the increased number of restaurants, comparable system restaurant sales figures (which compare sales for units in operation during the full second quarter of 1989 to the same restaurant's sales for second quarter 1990) were $31,122,673 in 1990 vs. $30,274,166 in 1989, a gain of 2.8 percent.

Further details will be contained in the Form 10-Q to be filed by the company with the SEC within the next few days.

In reporting a profit for the second consecutive quarter, the company also announced that there were 137 restaurants (19 company and 118 franchise) in the Applebee's system at the end of second quarter 1990, compared to a total of 85 restaurants (17 company and 68 franchise) at mid-year 1989.

Applebee's International Inc. develops, franchises, and operates a rapidly expanding chain of full service restaurants under the name, ''Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar.'' Known as ''America's Favorite Neighbor,''

the restaurants offer a casual dining concept which
includes full bar service and a broad array of menu items for lunch, dinner and Sunday brunch.

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DENVER (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Crown Resources Corp. Monday announced continued good drilling results on their Crown Jewel Project based upon work conducted by their option partner Battle Mountain Gold Co.

Some of the better 50-foot spaced in-fill results include holes 271 and 273 which intersected 70 feet grading 1.260 oz./ton gold and 175 feet containing 0.236 oz./ton gold, respectively. Better 100-foot spaced step-out results include hole 222 which intersected 70 feet containing 0.114 oz./ton gold and hole 233 which contained an 80-foot intercept grading 0.187 oz./ton gold.

Six drill rigs are currently operating on the property and permits have recently been received to allow for approximately 150 additional step-out holes to test for extensions of mineralization.

The Crown Jewel Project is located on Buckhorn Mountain in Okanogan County Wash. Since the last project news release of April 5, 1990, 90 holes have been completed, most of which were 50-foot spaced in-fill holes.

In March 1990, Crown granted Battle Mountain Gold Co. an option to earn a 51 percent interest in the property by paying to Crown $10 million cash and providing 100 percent of the funding needed to construct a minimum 3,000 ton per day milling facility by mid-1993.

Battle Mountain is the operator on the 9,000 acre property.

Crown is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the trading symbol CRRS and on the Vancouver Stock Exchange under the symbol CRO.

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MINNEAPOLIS, MN (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Tricord Systems Inc. Monday announced a joint reseller agreement valued at an excess of $2 million

with Sterling Microsystems Inc. of Anaheim, Calif., one of the industry's leading systems integrators.

Tricord developed and markets the PowerFrame, a family of 486-based super-servers that offers the industry's best price/performance ratio.

''Our agreement with Sterling Microsystems is another step in our strategic plan to develop a strong, competent distribution channel for the PowerFrame,'' said James D. Edwards, president of Tricord. ''Sterling's goals for promoting networking applications are a perfect match for the PowerFrame.''

The high-performance PowerFrame family is designed for local area networks (LANs) and client/server computing. The PowerFrame incorporates the newest Intel 486 and 860 technologies and its multiprocessing architecture supports large numbers of users. It can be configured to address the needs of both commercial database, as well as engineering and scientific applications.

''We provide our customers with the most advanced systems available to fully meet their changing needs,'' said Lawrence Hebb Jr., chief executive officer, Sterling Microsystems Inc. ''The Tricord PowerFrame is a perfect fit with our overall philosophy. It represents a new class of applications super-server with mainframe style architecture, scalability, price/performance, and support of industry standards.''

Tricord recently signed agreements with several more resellers, bringing its total number of authorized resellers to 30. The following are the most recent companies to sign reseller agreements: Allied Data, Atlanta, Ga.; Computer Data Inc., Southfield, Mich.; Dallas Digital Corp., Plano, Texas; Logic Plus Inc., Chicago; Marathon Systems, San Francisco; Micro Information Services, Mequon, Wis.; and Network Management Inc., New York City.

Sterling Microsystems, headquartered in Anaheim, Calif., markets and supports specialized computers for network applications in general business and engineering environments. The company offers custom hardware and software solutions, on a turn-key basis, in large to small companies.

Tricord Systems Inc. is a privately held company headquartered in Minneapolis, Minn. The company designs and manufacturers a new generation of network servers, based on industry standards, to meet the increasing performance and reliability requirements of client/server and local area network computing.

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CHEVY CHASE, MD (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - F-D-C Reports Inc., announced Monday that ''Health News Daily,'' the premier daily health care publication for industry professionals and financial analysts, is now available via immediate Fax delivery, free of charge with all subscriptions.

''Health News Daily'' covers a broad spectrum of health care -- including pharmaceuticals; medical devices and diagnostics; biomedical research; federal payment policies, and cost containment. It is the first publication of its kind to be transmitted daily via fax on the date of publication.

The publications timely news coverage is provided by an editorial staff of more than 30 who gather and analyze information daily. Topics appearing on a regular basis include business and financial news (patents, licensing arrangements, mergers and acquisitions and SEC regulation); product research, development and approvals; government activities (FDA, NIH, HHS, ITC, FTC, HCFA and Congress); legislative and regulatory actions (bill introductions, legislative tracking and committee hearings); jurisprudence and executive moves.

''Health News Daily'' has been published since January 1989 by F-D-C reports, a leading health care publisher for more than 50 years. Affiliated publications include: ''The Pink Sheet'' - Prescription & OTC Pharmaceuticals; ''The Gray Sheet'' - Medical Devices, Diagnostics & Instrumentation; ''The Rose Sheet'' - Toiletries, Fragrances & Skin Care; ''The Blue Sheet'' - Health Policy & Biomedical Research; ''The Green Sheet'' - Weekly Pharmacy Reports, and ''The Gold Sheet''- Quality Control Reports.

For subscriber convenience, ''Health News Daily'' is also available online through Dialog, Data Star and Mead Data Central. For a free, one week trial subscription or more information about Fax delivery, contact Wayne Rhodes, Information Systems Manager, at 301/986-6417, or Fax 301/986-6439.

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COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - CompuServe Inc. today announced

that it has acquired MicroSolutions Inc., a Dallas-based reseller of local area network (LAN) and connectivity products.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

MicroSolutions designs, installs and supports local area network hardware and software from such manufacturers as Novell, 3Com, Banyan, IBM, Compaq and Apple. The company ranked 19th in LAN Magazine's March 1990 list of top 100 value-added LAN resellers. CompuServe is a leading computer communcications and software company, and a provider of packet data network services to major U.S. corporations.

''The strong LAN experience of MicroSolutions, combined with CompuServe's expertise in wide area network applications will allow us to provide customers with a comprehensive solution to their networking needs,'' said Clark Woodford, executive vice president of network services for CompuServe.

Woodford said all 85 employees of MicroSolutions will be retained, and the company's president, Mark Cuban, and its chief executive officer Martin Woodall, will continue to lead the company. ''We're extremely pleased with the opportunity to become a part of CompuServe,'' said Cuban. ''Its marketing, technical and financial resources will allow us to expand our customer base in the rapidly-growing LAN market.''

CompuServe, a wholly-owned subsidiary of H&R Block Inc., reported revenues of $206.7 million for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990. CompuServe provides packet data network services to more than 300 companies, allowing remote dial-up or dedicated line access to host computers. CompuServe also provides computer communications and software services to 1,800 other U.S. corporations, and online information services to 600,000 personal computer users through the CompuServe Information Service, the world's largest information service for microcomputer owners.

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Bennie H. Wallace Jr., vice president of PrimeEnergy Corp., announced Monday that the company had entered into an agreement with Merrico Inc., of Ardmore, Okla. for the acquisition of all of the producing and non-producing oil and gas properties, partnership interests and other assets of Merrico and its

subsidiary, Merrico Resources, for an aggregate cash consideration of $10,500,000, subject to post-closing adjustments.

Merrico, which has producing and non-producing oil and gas interests located in 11 states, primarily Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas, and acts as the general partner in 31 partnerships, including 27 publicly held partnerships, having about 10,000 partners.

Oklahoma PrimeEnergy Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of the company, has been appointed managing general partner of all of the Merrico Public Partnerships. Merrico has interests in over 1,000 producing oil and gas wells and is the operator of approximately 300 wells.

Merrico has filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, which proceedings are pending in the Western District of Oklahoma. The acquisition of the Merrico properties and partnership interests is subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court and also to confirmation of certain financial information, title matters and confirmation of other operating information by PrimeEnergy.

Subject to such matters, it is anticipated that the closing of the acquisition of these properties will occur in October, effective as of June 1.

PrimeEnergy, formerly K.R.M. Petroleum Corp., effected a change of its corporate name in May 1990. In mid-1989, PrimeEnergy completed the acquisition of Sterling Drilling and Production Co. Inc., as a wholly owned subsidiary, whose name has also been changed, to PrimeEnergy Management Corp. PrimeEnergy and its subsidiary own operating and non-operating interests in over 1,900 producing oil and gas wells, located primarily in Oklahoma, Texas, West Virginia, New Mexico, Montana and Wyoming, and has district operating offices in Charleston, W. Va., Midland and Witchita Falls, Texas, and Oklahoma City. The company acts as field operator for approximately 1,000 wells. PrimeEnergy Mangement Corp. acts as the general partner in 57 oil and gas limited partnerships, 20 of which are publicly held, having over 7,000 partners.

PrimeEnergy plans to continue to organize oil and gas partnerships and to expand its growing oil and gas reserves through the acquisition of producing oil and gas properties, and to continue to expand its position as the operator of producing oil and gas wells.

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ROCHESTER, NY (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Hampshire Instruments Inc. and McDonnell Douglas Electronic Systems Co. (MDESC) Monday announced an agreement spanning 5 years, for the joint design and manufacture of Diode Pumped Laser systems to be used in Hampshire's line of x-ray lithography systems.

Laser manufacturing will take place at Hampshire's Rochester, N.Y. headquarters while Diode Pumping subsystems will be produced by MDESC in St. Louis. MDESC also has facilities in California, New York and Virginia.

Hampshire Instruments produces the Series 5000 X-Ray Stepper system used in the manufacture of leading edge integrated circuits including DRAMs, high speed SRAMs and GaAs devices. A unique laser based x-ray source is utilized instead of light to print circuits that have feature sizes of 0.5 microns and smaller.

Because of its shorter wavelengths, and high resolution, x-ray lithography is the subject of considerable investment world wide including government and industry consortia in Europe and Japan.

Hampshire Instruments is a privately held developer and manufacturer of x-ray lithography systems with headquarters in Rochester, and a customer support center in Marlborough, Mass.

The company is actively involved in industry and government programs to help recapture U.S. global leadership in the semiconductor industry. Hampshire is a member of SEMI/Sematech and is a prime contractor to the U.S. Government's Microelectronics and National X-Ray Lithography Programs.

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Research Industries Corp. (NASDAQ:REIC) Monday reported record earnings for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, of $1,414,224, or 25 cents per share, a 79 percent increase over the prior year's earnings of $790,537.

Earnings per share increased to 25 cents, a 56 percent increase over the prior year's 16 cents per share, reflecting last year's private equity placement.

Earnings for the three-month period ended June 30, 1990, increased 30

percent to $401,682, or 7 cents per share, compared to $307,959, or 6 cents per share in last year's corresponding period. The fourth quarter's earnings performance includes the cost of resolving a long-standing legal action.

''We are particularly pleased with this year's record earnings increase of 79 percent, as it follows a 61 percent earnings increase for fiscal 1989 '' said Gary L. Crocker, president. ''Our results in the first month of fiscal 1991 are above our internal projections, reflecting the ongoing growth of our open-heart circuitry cannulae and expanded line of cardioplegia devices,'' Crocker added.

Total 1990 revenues were $10.880 million, a 42 percent increase over last year's $7.640 million. Revenue increases were generated in every segment of the company's business. Total quarterly revenues increased to $4.536 million, a 92 percent gain over the prior year's $2.362 million. This large increase in quarterly revenues reflects a significant real estate transaction of $1.9 million in 1990.

The company's after-tax profitability in the 12 months ended June 30, 1990 benefitted from a marked improvement in health care gross profit margins, which increased to 65 percent from 61 percent. The gains in net income also resulted both from a significant reduction in interest costs and a reduction in general, selling and administrative expenses as percentage of total revenues.

Due primarily to the company's operating performance and cash flow improvements, it eliminated its remaining long-term bank debt and is now essentially debt-free for the first time in over 10 years.

The company is a diversified biomedical firm specializing in the development, manufacture and sale of hospital disposable products for open-heart surgery and specialty pharmaceuticals. Research Industries' common stock is traded over the counter, NASDAQ, National Market System, with the symbol REIC.

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MENLO PARK, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Liposome Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:LTIZ) (LTI), a California-based pharmaceutical company, Monday announced results from its second fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported a net loss for the quarter of $1,648,000, or 18 cents per share, a decline of 25 percent from a net loss of $2,193,000, or 32

cents per share, in the second quarter of the prior year.

Research and development expenditures were $1,985,000, an increase of 19 percent over the like period in 1989. General and administrative expenses were $463,000, an increase of 25 percent over the second quarter of the prior year. Total expenditures for the quarter were $2,485,000, compared to $2,722,000 in the comparable quarter of 1989.

The increase in R&D expenses is due to expenditures for the clinical development of LTI's amphotericin B colloidal dispersion (ABCD) product, while the increase in G&A for the quarter is attributable primarily to year-end reporting expenses shifting from the first to the second quarter.

Allocated occupancy costs for facility modifications required for the company's Stealth oncologicals development program also contributed to the increase in both R&D and G&A expenses for the quarter.

LTI reported total revenues of $837,000 for the second quarter as compared to $529,000 for the like period in 1989, with the increase attributable to an increase in research revenues.

During the quarter, the company entered into a strategic alliance with Erbamont N.V. for the development of liposomal epirubicin, Erbamont's proprietary anticancer drug. In addition, LTI successfully completed a Phase I clinical trial of ABCD and prepared for Phase II studies.

The company is continuing to explore financing opportunities, including the sale of equity, new strategic alliances, and other funding sources, as required to commercialize its proprietary products and fund the pharmaceutical development of additional products in the pipeline.

Located in Menlo Park, LTI currently is developing injectable liposomal doxorubicin and epirubicin for anticancer therapy, injectable ABCD for systemic antifungal treatment, and inhaled liposomal albuterol to treat asthma and bronchitis.

The company's second-generation product focus is on utilizing LTI's proprietary Stealth liposomes to target injectable oncologicals to tumors and to deliver therapeutic proteins and peptides.

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PARIS (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton (NASDAQ:LVMHY), the Paris-based luxury products group, Monday reported

consolidated net sales of FF 8,823 million ($1,577 million) for the first half of 1990, a 2 pct. increase over the comparable period of 1989.

On a constant exchange rate basis, however, sales would have increased by 13 pct.

First half consolidated sales were affected by the simultaneous decline of the US dollar and Japanese yen exchange rates vis-a- vis the French franc, by 11 pct. and 22 pct. respectively, from average FF 5.5945.

By segment of activity, net sales broke down as follows:

In millions of	First half 1990 $	First half 1990 FF	First half 1989 FF	90/89 change	Constant currency basis
Champagne & wines	329	1,840	1,846	--	+6 pct.
Cognac & spirits	439	2,455	2,325	+6 pct.	+25 pct.
Luggage, leather goods & accessories	389	2,179	2,257	-3 pct.	+11 pct.
Perfumes & beauty products	388	2,168	2,043	+6 pct.	+9 pct.
Other activities	32	181	157	+15 pct.	--
TOTAL	1,577	8,823	8,628	+2 pct.	+13 pct.

The impact of currency exchange rates on the Group's net income should be more limited, reflecting in particular LVMH's systematic currency hedging policy. As announced at the June 1990 Annual Shareholder Meeting, net income growth is expected to amount to 15 pct. for 1990 as a whole.

LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton is one of the world's largest companies specializing in luxury products. Its prestige brands include Dom Perignon Moet & Chandon, and Veuve Clicquot champagnes; Hennessy and Hine cognacs; Louis Vuitton luggage, leather goods and accessories; Givenchy Couture; and Christian Dior, Givenchy, Christian Lacroix and Roc perfumes and cosmetics.

LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton ordinary shares, traded on the Paris Stock Exchange, may be accessed on the Reuter Equities 2000 service under LVMH.PA and on Quotron under LVMHF.EU.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - S&P lowers its rating on the commercial paper program of SCA Capital Corp Inc. to 'A-2' from 'A-1' and

removes it from CreditWatch where it was placed June 25. The commercial paper is issued under the guarantee of the company's Swedish parent, Svenska Cellulosa AB.

Although the UK1.0 billion (around $1.8 billion) mainly debt-financed acquisition of Reedpack is consistent with Svenska Cellulosa's long-term goal of reducing its vulnerability to commodity-based forest products by extending the group's higher value-added product lines, the sharply increased debt and interest obligations will limit its flexibility to weather the anticipated cyclical downturn in the paper and forest products industry.

In the near term, net debt to capital is expected to stay at around 60 percent, up from around 34 pc at year-end 1989, while net interest coverage will be around 3.0 times.

The rating action recognizes that, while a large proportion of the group's activities are in noncyclical consumer-orientated businesses, these businesses, namely fibre-based hygiene and tissue products, continue to face intense competition from major U.S. companies like Procter & Gamble, Scott Paper and James River.

The addition of Reedpack will enhance the group's already strong competitive position in the European packaging industry by providing the group with the leading share of the United Kingdom and Netherlands markets as well as bolstering its hitherto insubstantial recycled paper activities. SCA also benefits from its well integrated operations and its extensive forest and hydroelectric energy resources, S&P said.

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REDWOOD CITY, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Polymer Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:APOS) Monday announced revenues of $755,000 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared with $1,252,000 for the same period last year.

The prior year's revenues included a one-time milestone payment of $750,000 from a corporate partner. The net loss for the quarter was $1,127,000, or 12 cents per share vs. $950,000, or 10 cents per share in 1989.

Excluding the milestone payment last year, revenues in the quarter grew by 50 percent and the net loss narrowed by 34 percent.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $1,315,000 compared with $1,776,000 last year. The net loss of $2,050,000, or 21 cents per share was 17 percent below the $2,459,000, or 26 cents per share loss incurred during 1989.

Excluding the milestone payment included in the prior year's results, revenues grew by 28 percent and the net loss was reduced by 36 percent.

In the second quarter, revenues from cosmetics supply agreements together with sales from the company's Analytical Standards business grew more than 100 percent from the prior year. On a year-to-date basis, cosmetics product supply and Analytical Standards sales increased 65 percent over last year.

The significant decrease in operating expenses for the quarter and the six months when compared to last year was attributable to planned reductions in outside administrative services and reimbursement of research and development expenses by Dermik-APS Partners, the company's joint venture with with Rhone-Poulenc-Rorer's dermatology subsidiary.

The company also noted that during the quarter, it had been notified of the holder's intent to call for payment, as of Dec. 1, 1990, the $3 million of Industrial Revenue Bonds guaranteed by the company.

These bonds had been used to finance the company's Louisiana manufacturing facility. The company is presently negotiating the refinancing of the bonds with several financial institutions.

Advanced Polymer Systems develops and manufactures patented Microsponge(R) delivery systems which allow for the release of active ingredients in a programmed or ''controlled'' manner.

The company presently has major projects under development in a wide range of areas, including pharmaceutical, cosmetic, food and industrial applications for a number of companies, including Scott Paper Co., Wm. Wrigley Jr. Co., Mobil Chemical Co. and Pfizer Inc. Specialty Chemical Group.

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SEYMOUR, IN (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ:HOMF) reported net income of $2,052,000, or $2.22 per share for its fiscal year ending June 30, 1990.

Net income for the previous year was $1,824,000, or $1.98 per share.

For the fourth quarter ending June 30, 1990, Home Federal reported net income of $513,000, or 55 cents per share, which included Fidelity Federal merger related expenses, compared to net income of $257,000, or 28 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Net interest income for the fiscal year, after provision for loan losses, increased to $9,154,000 from the 1989 total of $7,713,000, an increase of 18.7 percent. For the fourth quarter, net interest income rose from $1,895,000 in 1989 to $2,576,000 in 1990. Reserves for loan losses totaled $1,606,000 on June 30, 1990, compared to $806,000 on that date the previous year.

Total assets increased from $361,469,000 at the close of the fourth quarter in 1989 to $524,148,000 on June 30, 1990.

For the 1990 fiscal year, return on equity increased from 10.21 percent to 10.52 percent.

Based on the June 30, 1990, book value of $21.87 per share compared to $20.12 the previous year, Home Federal stock is trading at 53 percent of book value. The stock price at the end of the fiscal year was $11.50 per share compared to $11.00 on the same date in 1989.

Home Federal is a federally chartered savings bank founded in 1908.

Selected Financial Data for Home Federal Savings Bank
(Dollars in Thousands)

	At or for the 3 Months Ended June 30,		At or for the 12 Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total interest income	$11,341	$8,834	$38,469	$33,400
Total interest expense	8,587	6,668(a)	28,905(b)	25,068(c)
Provision for loan losses	178	271	410	619
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	2,576	1,895	9,154	7,713
Total other income	913	711	2,856	2,882
Total other expenses	2,646	2,089	8,671	7,745
Federal income tax provision	330	260	1,287	1,026
Net income	$513	$257	$2,052	$1,824
Earnings per share	55 cents	28 cents	$2.22	$1.98
Loans receivable, net	$397,705	$307,023		
Total assets	524,148	361,469		

Total stockholders' equity	20,396	18,535
Deposits	445,065	302,376

NOTE (a): Includes $108 non-cash expense for amortization of interest rate swap termination. Amortization period ended September 1989.

NOTE (b): Includes $72 non-cash expense for amortization of interest rate swap termination. Amortization period ended September 1989.

NOTE (c): Includes $432 non-cash expense for amortization of interest rate swap termination. Amortization period ended September 1989.

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DENVER (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Compliance Recycling Industries Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol:CRIK) Monday announced first quarter 1991 sales of $176,604 representing a loss of $306,681 or 4 cents per share for the quarter ending June 30, 1990, on 8,473,294 shares outstanding.

This compares to first quarter sales of $311,626 with a loss of $354,762 or 5 cents per share for the same period for fiscal 1990, ending June 30,

1989, on 7,677,517 shares outstanding.

Jeffery L. Stanich Sr., chairman of Compliance Recycling Industries Inc. made the announcement saying, ''The loss in our first quarter was greater than had been initially anticipated as a result of the delay of bridge loan financing.'' Stanich noted that the company had expected a bridge loan to be in place prior to June 30, which would have allowed the company to deliver already sold equipment during the first quarter.

Stanich stated that bridge financing came through on July 8, and has allowed the company to deliver $208,050 worth of equipment sales during the month of July, 1990. He added, ''Our total revenues for the month of July were in excess of $266,000, and we were profitable during the month.''

Stanich went on to report that indications are that for the month of August, 1990, the company will continue to sell and deliver equipment at a rate comparable to July, 1990 sales.

''We are still anticipating second quarter sales of some $700,000 with earnings of approximately $100,000,'' Stanich said.

Compliance Recycling Industries Inc., is a service-oriented hazardous waste treatment company whose product, The Compliance System, effectively removes toxic heavy metals and cyanides from water and allows these metals to be recycled into raw materials for use in industry. The company manufactures, sells and services its product line from Regional Operations Centers in the Philadelphia and Denver areas.
Headquartered in Denver, the company will soon relocate its corporate headquarters to Chicago, at which time a Regional Operations Center will be opened to service clients in the Midwest.

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LOS ANGELES, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Leisure Technology (NYSE:LVX) announced Monday that it has closed a joint venture partnership with a subsidiary of a Tokyo-based company to develop the final 335 homes at Leisure Village Ocean Hills, an active adult community in Oceanside, Calif., where Leisure Technology has developed and sold approximately 1,300 homes since 1984.

Leisure Technology has sold land to the partnership for $15 million in cash, of which approximately $10.5 million was applied to secured borrowings and expenses of the transaction.

''We view this transaction, together with the secured interim financing closed in June, as a vote of confidence in Leisure Technology, especially in light of the difficulties encountered by the company and other home builders in the hostile economic environment facing the industry today,'' said Michael L. Tenzer, chairman and chief executive officer.

A wholly-owned subsidiary of Leisure Technology will be general partner with responsibility for development, construction and marketing of the 335 homes to be developed by the new partnership. The partners anticipate revenues in excess of $110 million from sale of the homes.

Tenzer also announced that the company will make the next interest payment of approximately $1.8 million on its 13-5/8 percent senior subordinated notes due 1996, as scheduled on Sept. 1. He added that the company will not make the Sept. 1 dividend payment on its $2.25 cumulative convertible exchangeable preferred stock.

Leisure Technology, founded in 1957, is the largest publicly-owned nationwide developer of active adult communities and is currently developing active adult, single-family or full- service retirement communities in New Jersey, New York, Florida, Illinois and California.

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TOKYO (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T of the U.S., Kokusai Denshin Denwa (KDD) of Japan, and the Directorate General of Telecommunications (DGT) of the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications of the People's Republic of China (PRC) have signed an agreement to provide new international communications facilities linking the PRC to the U.S. and Japan.

The facilities will make possible international digital, satellite-based services to two Chinese cities in 1991. The agreement also provides for the construction of a digital fiber-optic submarine cable between the PRC and Japan by 1993.

These systems will improve the quality, capacity and reliability of international communications with the PRC in addition to providing digital voice, data and video capabilities.

The agreement, which builds on the long-standing relationships between AT&T, KDD and DGT in international long distance services, specifies two

distinct phases. In the first phase, satellite links will be established to the U.S. and Japan from major office buildings in Beijing and Shanghai.

These links will provide digital business services for voice and data traffic via satellite earth stations in both cities interconnected with the U.S. and Japan using Intelsat satellites.

In the second phase, an 800-mile, digital fiber-optic submarine cable will be constructed between Japan's Kyushu Island and the Chinese coast near Shanghai. The cable, the first fiber-optic submarine cable system to the PRC, is expected to have the capacity to carry about 35,000 calls. It will connect to the Worldwide Intelligent Network, which AT&T is constructing in cooperation with its telecommunications partners around the world.

Major elements of this network, which are already in operation in the Asia/Pacific region, include fiber-optic cables between the U.S. and Japan Guam, Taiwan, the Philippines, Hong Kong, and Korea. The Worldwide Intelligent Network connects to Europe and to four locations in the Caribbean and South America.

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PURCHASE, NY (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - John A. Georges, chairman and chief executive officer of International Paper, Monday announced the appointment of Kenneth Defren as staff vice president and director-corporate communications and state corporate affairs.

Prior to joining International Paper, Defren briefly served as executive vice president for Porter/Novelli, a New York headquartered public relations agency. Before that, he was with General Foods for eleven years most recently as director of Public Affairs for General Foods, USA.

Earlier, Defren served as director of press relations with Pepsi-Cola Company. Prior to this he held the position of vice president with the public relations agency Ruder & Finn Inc.

In his new capacity, Defren will be responsible for corporate communications as well as state and local corporate governmental affairs. He will report to James P. Melican, senior vice president and general counsel.

International Paper, headquartered in Purchase, N.Y., is a worldwide manufacturer of paper and forest products. The company is also a major

producer of wood pulp, printing and writing papers, paper board and packaging products and wood products. The company also operates specialty products businesses and distributes paper and wood products. International Paper has manufacturing operations in 22 countries and exports its products from the U.S. to more than 70 nations.

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PALO ALTO, CALIF (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Frontline Systems Inc. announced that WHAT-IF SOLVER, its new backsolving and optimization add-in will support Lotus's new 1-2-3 Release 3.1 on first customer shipment.

Released in July 1990, WHAT-IF SOLVER provides problem-solving capabilities analogous to the ''Solver'' utility in 1-2-3/G for users of DOS-based spreadsheets.

Priced at just $199.95, the WHAT-IF SOLVER package contains add-ins for 1-2-3 Release 2, 2.01, 2.2, 3.0, and Symphony 1.1, 2.0, 2.2, running DOS on computers with as little as 640K RAM and one floppy disk. The version for 1-2-3 Release 3.1. will be supplied free upon request to registered users.

Frontline Systems also announced that it signed an agreement with Addison-Wesley Publishing Co. under which Addison-Wesley will publish a Student Edition of What-If Solver aimed at colleges and universities, especially MBA programs. Addison-Wesley publishes the Student Edition of Lotus 1-2-3.

''Lotus is pleased to see add-ins, like What-If Solver, coming to market for 1-2-3 Release 3,'' said Paul McNulty, Lotus' director of marketing for 1-2-3 Release 3. ''What-If Solver will allow 1-2-3 Release 2.2 and Release 3 users to extend the functionality of their Lotus spreadsheets in new and more powerful ways.''

''Solver technology represents a real breakthrough for spreadsheet users '' said Dan Fylstra, Frontline's president. ''It helps you get more and better answers from a spreadsheet model you've already built, with very little extra effort.'' Works with Existing Spreadsheets

WHAT-IF SOLVER makes advanced analytical methods for goal seeking (or backsolving) and optimization accessible to the average spreadsheet user. The add-in will answer questions like: What product price or promotion mix will maximize profit? How do I live within the budget? How fast can

we grow without running out of cash? In place of ''what if'' guesswork, WHAT-IF SOLVER finds the optimal solution -- which often translates into big dollar savings over the ''status quo''.

To solve a problem with WHAT-IF SOLVER, a user simply builds a spreadsheet model, or loads an existing spreadsheet. With simple add-in menu choices the user then selects ''what if'' cells whose values should be found; ''constraint'' cells whose values must satisfy goals or fall within certain limits; and optionally an ''optimum'' cell to be maximized or minimized. When the user selects ''Go'', WHAT-IF SOLVER finds the optimal solution and places those values into the ''what if'' cells.

Applications in Many Fields

WHAT-IF SOLVER has applications in marketing, finance, investments, personnel, manufacturing, distribution, and many engineering disciplines. Examples included in the WHAT-IF SOLVER manual and on diskette show the user:

o How to maximize interest income from working capital (by ''rolling over'' CDs or other short-term investments) while meeting company cash requirements

o How to minimize shipping costs from plants to regional warehouses or other locations, while meeting demand from each location and not exceeding supplies at each plant

o How to schedule employees to minimize payroll costs while meeting demand for key services (e.g. in hospitals, police departments, restaurants) which varies over time

o How to construct an ''efficient portfolio'' of securities which maximizes return for a given level of risk, or minimizes risk for a required rate of return

o How to allocate advertising dollars across the year to take optimal advantage of seasonality -- and how to choose the optimum overall ad budget in a situation with ''diminishing returns'' from increased advertising Power Beyond Goalseeking and Linear Programming

WHAT-IF SOLVER can solve all the problems handled by add-ins which do ''goalseeking'' and ''linear programming'', plus a much broader spectrum of problems which exceed the capabilities of such methods. In fact, WHAT-IF SOLVER can find feasible or optimal solutions to almost any spreadsheet model. And users don't need a knowledge of linear programming or other mathematical methods to use WHAT-IF SOLVER.

For example, allocating advertising dollars, choosing an ''efficient

portfolio'' of securities, and minimizing shipping costs in the presence of volume discounts are beyond the scope of linear programming and require the full power of WHAT-IF SOLVER. The only other spreadsheet product with this type of problem solving capability is the Solver utility in 1-2-3/G.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Results of market evaluation studies of the ACTV (NASDAQ:IATV) interactive television system in Springfield, Mass. indicated a highly favorable response from subscribers.

The study was conducted in conjunction with Continental Cablevision, the nation's fourth largest cable company, which serves the Springfield market.

In the study conducted by Malarkey-Taylor Assoc. Inc., 72% of the consumers polled said that ''ACTV would enhance the value of cable TV to their household.'' Equally encouraging was that ''47% of subscribers said they were 'definately' or 'probably' interested in subscribing to ACTV if it was available today as a premium cable TV service, and another 24% said 'maybe'''. According to the independent researchers, ''these numbers are significantly higher than comparable numbers for other new cable services which tend to register 20 to 30 percentage points lower than ACTV.''

When prices were mentioned, the strong favorable reaction continued with ''37% of ACTV test homes 'definitely' or 'probably' willing to pay $7-$9 per month to receive the service and 23% 'definitely' or 'probably' willing to pay $10-$12.''

Brian Lambert, a vice president/district manager for Continental Cablevision stated, ''Customer reaction exceeded my expectations. With a cable system in a moderately sized urban market such as Springfield, customer reception to new products has generally been mild. In ACTV's case, response was overwhelming.'' Continental's Springfield cable system serves 46,000 subscribers.

Among other results of the survey was the finding that on average ACTV programming was watched almost four days per week, for over two hours per

day. More than a third of the respondents said the aspect of ACTV they liked the best was the ability to ''participate in the programming.'' They said they liked the ability to ''play along'' and ''speak to the TV.'' In fact, most people polled (64.3%) said they wanted more interactivity in ACTV programs.

ACTV has developed a unique interactive televsion system whereby viewers can change camera angles while viewing a live sports event, play blackjack against a Las Vegas dealer who will obey hit or stand commands, allow children to learn through give-and-take questions and answers from their favorite TV character, select the specific music videos they wish to view, design a personalized exercise workout tailored to a viewers' specific desires and tastes, select from a menu of movies or the start time of a favorite movie, receive commercials that are specifically attuned to personal interests and tastes, and much more.

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JERUSALEM (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Limited (NASDAQ:TEVIY), Israel's largest pharmaceutical company, Monday reported that net income for the three months ended June 30, 1990 increased seven percent on an eight percent increase in sales.

Sales for the quarter reached 145,849,000 Adjusted New Israeli Shekels (NIS) ($70,187,000 US) compared with 135,679,000 Adjusted NIS in the prior year. Operating income rose slightly to 16,864,000 Adjusted NIS ($8,115,000 US) from 16,764,000 Adjusted NIS in 1989. Net income was up seven percent to 7,784,000 Adjusted NIS ($3,746,000 US), or 0.35 Adjusted NIS, 0.32 fully diluted, ($0.17, $0.15 US, respectively) per American Depository Receipt (ADR) with two percent more shares outstanding than in the prior year. Last year's second quarter net income amounted to 7,288,000 Adjusted NIS, or 0.33 (0.30, fully diluted) Adjusted NIS per ADR.

''Our increase in sales and profits was achieved despite a slowdown in Israel's economy and a decrease in purchasing of the General Health fund which held back local sales because sales abroad increased substantially in the second quarter,'' said Eli Hurvitz, Teva's President and Chief Executive Officer.

Pointing out that sales abroad in the quarter increased almost 13 percent to $32 million (US), he reported that ''sales abroad were 46 percent of second quarter sales and 45 percent of total sales for the first six months of 1990.''

''Profitability for the quarter was held back by increased marketing expenses and the 3.3 percent devaluation of the NIS since June 30, 1989 while the Consumer Price Index rose 17.7 percent which resulted in rising local costs (primarily payroll),'' he added. Commenting on a 12.6 percent and 14.1 percent increase in net research and development expenses for the second quarter and first six months of 1990, respectively, Mr. Hurvitz said ''The $7.4 million (US) we have invested in R&D (before deductions of grants and participations) in the first half of this year reflects the success we are having with our research efforts. In fact, we may increase these costs further as our COP-1 and Osteo-D products continue in their advanced clinical trials.''

In discussing results at TAG Pharmaceuticals, Teva's jointly owned U.S. subsidiary, Mr. Hurvitz said ''TAG's consistent improvement in sales and substantial improvement in year-to-date profits occurred at a time when the Food and Drug Administration held back approvals for new generic products. This, of course, continues to have an adverse impact on the entire U.S. generic drug industry.''

Reflecting on Teva's on-going global diversification strategy, Mr. Hurvitz reported that "We continued to invest in our Western Europe marketing infrastructure, which in concert with our U.S. marketing system, will create an enhanced international marketing channel for our innovative products. To intensify our international sales growth, we are also actively exploring potential investments and strategic alliances in Eastern Europe."

Teva Pharmaceutical Industries, Ltd. (NASDAQ:TEVIY) develops, manufactures and markets human pharmaceuticals, pharmaceutical chemicals, medical disposables, veterinary products, baking yeast and alcohol. The largest supplier of such products to Israel's public and private healthcare markets, the Company has manufacturing facilities in Israel, Western Europe and the United States and markets its products in 50 countries.

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MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Lawson Mardon Group Limited announced Monday it has approved the purchase of the sheet-fed paper label producing assets of San Francisco-based H.S. Crocker Co., Inc.

The deal is expected to close within 30 days.

Lawrence G. Tapp, president and chief executive officer, said the acquisition, which will become a part of the group's graphics division, North America, will make Lawson Mardon one of the largest label producers in North America.

''Success in the 1990s requires a marketing strategy with a North American perspective,'' said Tapp. ''The Crocker acquisition will enable Lawson Mardon to become a major competitor in the U.S. $1.25 billion-a-year North American labels market.''

The assets purchased by Lawson Mardon are two state-of-the-art Crocker plants serving the food and beverage industries -- one in Sparks, Nevada; the other in Baltimore, Maryland -- and 10 sales offices in the United States, according to Lauren Madden, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Lawson Mardon's graphics division. These plants will be operated in the U.S. under the name LMG-Crocker.

''These facilities, combined with Lawson Mardon's Canadian operations, which produce labels primarily for the beverage and food processing markets from plants in Montreal, Quebec, Leamington, Ontario and Richmond, British Columbia, give Lawson Mardon a strong presence in the key eastern and western markets of North America,'' said Madden.

He said the acquisition will also enable Lawson Mardon to expand its production capabilities, increase operating efficiencies and reduce costs through greater purchasing power.

''Since the signing of the Canada-U.S. free trade agreement, our market has become a North American market,'' said Madden. ''In addition to establishing our strong presence in the U.S., this new acquisition will also enable us to strengthen our leading position in domestic markets.

''I look at this as part of a program that will establish Lawson Mardon as a significant supplier to the total North American food and beverage industry,'' he said.

''The acquisition of the two Crocker plants - working in conjunction with our Canadian operations and combined with our technical and manufacturing capabilities, our established supplier positions, and our extensive market knowledge -- will allow Lawson Mardon to establish leading competitive positions in major market segments and areas,'' Madden said.

H.S. Crocker will continue the independent operation of its three plants in Huntley, Illinois, and Lionville and Norristown, Pennsylvania producing pharmaceutical folding cartons and labels, pressure sensitive labels and portion-pak lidding materials. These plants are not involved in this transaction.

Lawson Mardon Group Limited is one of the world's leading packaging and printing companies with 1989 sales of almost $1 billion Canadian and operations in Canada, the United States, Britain, Ireland, France, and West Germany.

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CINCINNATI (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The Central Bancorporation Inc., (NASDAQ:CBAN) the bank holding company for seven Central Trust banks serving Ohio and Northern Kentucky, today introduced a program which will make available to its customers tax-deferred annuities, unit investment trusts and a variety of mutual funds.

The program, called ProVest, will be the most extensive of its kind in Ohio.

ProVest is provided by GNA Corp., a financial services subsidiary of Weyerhaeuser Co., which specializes in the design and marketing of annuities, insurance and securities products for financial institutions.

Since 1987, Central Trust banks in the Cincinnati, Dayton, Canton and Lorain areas have been offering mutual funds and unit investment trusts through their community banking networks. With ProVest, all Central Bancorporation community banking offices will participate, with additional products available.

Central Bancorporation begins the program today in its Cincinnati, Dayton and Northern Kentucky markets. Central Trust banks in northern, central and southeastern Ohio will initiate ProVest in September.

Due to its successful mutual funds experience, Central Bancorporation was selected to inaugurate the ProVest program for its parent company, PNC Financial Corp. The remaining PNC affiliate banks will initiate ProVest during the coming year.

ProVest will employ 19 account executives and four management and administrative staff in the Central Bancorporation market areas. The

program director for Central Bancorporation is Michael L. Wendling, Central Trust vice president and product manager of retail liability and investment products.

The account executives are experienced consultants licensed to sell insurance products and packaged securities services. They will offer investment advice in Central Trust community banking offices and at customers' homes or offices. Some of the account executives are former Central Trust retail investment services personnel who will continue to serve bank customers as they have in the past, but now with additional products to offer them.

The Central Bancorporation, with assets of $6.1 billion at the end of the second quarter 1990, operates 132 community banking offices in Ohio and Northern Kentucky. Central Bancorporation is an affiliate of PNC Financial Corp., the nation's 14th largest bank holding company with assets of $47.8 billion at the end of the second quarter 1990. PNC operates 530 community banking offices in Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, Delaware and New Jersey. It also conducts business through additional offices in 15 states and seven foreign countries.

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BATON ROUGE, LA. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - United Companies Financial Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:UNCF) Monday reported results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Net income of $3.1 million was recorded on revenues of $54 million for the three months ended June 30, 1990, compared with net income of $2.3 million on revenues of $53 million for the same period in 1989.

On a per share basis, earnings for the respective periods were 79 cents, based on 3,887,647 weighted average shares outstanding, compared with 60 cents, based on 3,894,506 shares.

In the first six months of 1990, United Companies earned $4.8 million on revenues of $105 million, compared with $4.0 million on revenues of $100 million in 1989. On a per share basis, earnings for the first six months of 1990 were $1.24, based on 3,887,647 weighted average shares outstanding compared to $1.03, based on 3,927,211 shares.

''Obviously we are very proud of our performance this quarter,'' said J. Terrell Brown, president and chief executive officer. He added, ''With our core operations improving, we anticipate continued positive results.''

At June 30, 1990, the company had total assets of $1.24 billion, compared with $1.20 billion at year end 1989. At the second quarter end of 1990, stockholders' equity was $81.7 million, compared with $77.8 million at year end 1989.

United Companies is a Louisiana based financial services holding company engaged primarily in the business of life insurance and mortgage lending.

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TORONTO (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Metallurgical testing of the bulk sample taken from the Garrison Township project conducted by Kilborn Engineering and Lakefield Research indicate conventional flotation and smelting will recover 85 percent to 95 percent of the contained gold.

Underground material with a grade of .18 ounces per ton gold to .33 ounces per ton gold yielded a flotation concentrate of from four ounces per ton gold to six ounces per ton gold. Diamond drilling will resume immediately to explore the known zones on strike and to depth.

Drill indicated tonnage to date to 1000' vertical stands at 513,800 tons of .28 ounces per ton gold with a true width of 11 feet using a cut-off grade of .15 opt or 1,050,000 tons of .18 ounces per ton gold with a true width of ten feet using a cut-off grade of .08 opt.

Jonpol holds 64.3 percent of this project and T & H Resources Ltd. holds 35.7 percent.

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WEYMOUTH, MA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Sherie Poe, president and chief executive officer of RYKA Inc. (NASDAQ:RYKA), Monday announced sales and earnings for the company's second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for the quarter were $1,355,956 compared with sales of $1,109,137 for the same period in 1989, an increase of 28 percent. Net loss for the quarter was $592,780 (or $.04 per share) compared to a net loss of $788,750 (or $.08 per share) for the second quarter of 1989. Sales for the six months ended June 30, 1990 were $3,222,413 compared with sales of $2,944,337 for the same period of 1989, an increase of 9 percent.

Net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $1,185,743 (or $.09 per share) compared to a net loss of $1,580,216 (or $.15) per share for the same period of 1989. The loss included a one-time, non-operating expense of $190,000 related to the termination during the second quarter of the Agreement and Plan of Merger between the company and Medallion Shoe Corp.

RYKA Inc. designs, develops and markets high-performance fashionable athletic footwear for women. The company's principal products are multi-purpose aerobic cross-training shoes and lightweight aerobic shoes.

RYKA INC.
Summary Financial Information

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$1,355,956	$1,109,137	$3,222,413	$2,944,337
Net Loss	(592,780)	(788,750)	(1,185,743)	(1,580,216)
Net Loss per share	(.04)	(.08)	(.09)	(.15)
Weighted average shares outstanding	13,242,500	10,276,500	13,242,500	10,274,643

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HERTFORDSHIRE, United Kingdom (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - After two years of start-up losses, Avton Communications & Entertainment Inc., the fledgling, film and media company which owns a $6 million film library of past hits and production rights to three Wilbur Smith titles, has made a sharp reversal into profitability and forecasts a 5c dividend payment next year.

Audited profits for the year to October 1989 show a swing from a loss of $140,000 to a surplus of $210,697 after tax, but this figure does not include $355,128 of income received by Avton during the year under review.

''This $355,128 is profit received from ongoing film contracts. In the United Kingdom for instance, it would go straight through to profits but Avton's accountants Deloitte & Touche in Los Angeles feel that under American audit practice this money has to be shown as deferred profit and therefore a liability until the contracts are completed. It's a technical accountancy safe-guard.

The main source of profits for the year was Avton's film library which contributed distribution income of $604,357. The library includes

participation in films like Gold, The Confessions Series and Get Carter. Many of these films were made by Michael and Tony Klinger or were bought by them for their income potential. The directors of Avton value the film library at 10 years earnings -- or some $6 million.

One of these is a contract with Longmans, Europe's largest international publisher of educational books, to produce a series of exam revision videos for students. The one-hour videos starring Nicky Campbell of B.B.C. fame will be sold through major retail outlets, and will include interviews with top examiners on a variety of subjects, taking students through the course and giving them advice on how best to revise and which areas to do it in.

Another Avton success has been its instructive''You Can'' videos on a wide range of past-times and pursuits like modelling, crochet, the art of massage, self-defence and making lace.

The first videos in the series were marketed at the end of last year and sales have been growing fast.

But perhaps Avton's most exciting prospect is the making of its first major film, Eagle in the Sky, from a major international best selling book written by author Wilbur Smith. Japanese and American backers have raised $17 million to make the film and final contract negotiations are currently taking place.

He says the turn around in Avton's fortunes has been made against a background of a deteriorating economy and high interest rates, both in the United States and the United Kingdom. In spite of this income from distribution has shown an increase from the 1988 level and should continue to rise steadily over the next year. In contrast, expenses have been cut back by approximately 10 percent.

Current trading is buoyant and Klinger expects profits for the year to October 1990 to be ''sharply higher.''

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ROCKAWAY, N.J. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - RTI Inc. (NASDAQ:RTII) Monday announced second quarter and first half net income of two cents and four cents, per share, compared to a loss of one cent and four cents, respectively, for the same period a year earlier.

Net income for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 was $149,000 on revenues of $943,000. In the same period a year earlier, the company incurred a net loss of $65,000 on revenues of $781,000.

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $238,000 on revenues of $1,848,000. For the period ended June 30, 1989, the company incurred a net loss of $287,000 on revenues of $1,454,000.

''We are continuing to achieve our objective of profitability through growth,'' said John Scandalios, president and CEO. ''We are especially pleased at the improvement in our gross profit percentage of 59 percent as compared to 49 percent for the six month period last year, reflecting improved utilization of operating facilities.

RTI Inc. is a provider of gamma radiation services to the medical and consumer goods industry.

RTI Inc.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)
(In thousands except for per share data)

	3 Months Ended		6 Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net sales	$ 943	$ 781	$ 1,848	$ 1,454
Cost of sales	383	368	758	745
Gross profit	560	413	1,090	709
Operating expenses	322	387	661	834
Income from operations	238	26	429	(125)
Net income	$ 149	$ (65)	$ 238	$ (287)
Net income per share	$ .02	$ (.01)	$ .04	$ (.04)
Weighted average number of common shares	6,599	6,599	6,599	6,599

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DOVER, NH (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Great Bay Bankshares Inc. (NASDAQ:

GBBS), announced today that it has received regulatory approval to repurchase an additional five percent, or 136,675 shares, of its outstanding common stock, subject to its availability at terms acceptable to the company.

During the previous 24 months the company repurchased 641,250 shares at an average price of $10.27 per share and currently has 2,733,750 shares of common stock outstanding.

Great Bay Bankshares Inc., is the parent holding company of the $300 million Southeast Bank for Savings, an FDIC-insured, full-service community bank headquartered in Dover, N.H. and Constitution Trust Co. which has over $55 million in assets under management.

CONTACT: Great Bay Bankshares, Dover, Cheryl L.K. Boland (603) 749-4149.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - On August 13, Moody's Investors Service announed that it had lowered its rating for DKB's long-term debt from Aaa to Aa1.

The bank highly regrets this decision, which it believes does not accurately reflect the bank's state of affairs.

CONTACT: Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank, New York
Shigeki Toma, 212/466-5200.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The Horn & Hardart Company (AMEX: HOR) Monday reported a net loss for the fiscal second quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $1,510,000, or 11 cents per share, compared to a loss of $1,528,000, or 11 cents per share, in the prior year, which included a non-recurring favorable litigation settlement of $1,461,000.

Revenues for the second quarter increased 15 percent to $163,903,000 from $142,460,000 reported in the comparable 1989 period.

The Hanover Companies, Horn & Hardart's direct marketing group, reported the highest revenue and profit ever for a second quarter. Hanover Companies' revenue increased 26 percent to $128,560,000 from $101,987,000 in the same year-ago period. Hanover's operating profit was $6,005,000 compared to $5,589,000 a year ago.

''Hanover's strong results were achieved despite an ambitious program to

increase Hanover's customer base that involved a 24 percent increase in catalog circulation,'' said Donald Schupak, Horn & Hardart's chairman and chief executive officer.

''Although in accomplishing our objective, we sacrificed pre-tax profit margins in the short-term, the approximately 350,000 new customers that have resulted from this program to date will have a long-term positive impact on the company. Once again, Hanover's strong results supports our plan to focus Horn & Hardart's future in the direct marketing industry.''

International King's Table (IKING), Horn & Hardart's West Coast restaurant operation, reported a 3.7 percent increase in revenue in the second quarter to $22,864,000 from $22,047,000 reported a year ago. Its operating profit was $12,000 compared to a loss of $203,000 reported in the 1989 second quarter, and a $724,000 loss in the 1990 first quarter. ''IKING's turnaround plan included a broad-based upgrade of operations and training, and repositioning as a value concept,'' said Schupak. ''Although we're not out of the woods yet with IKING, we have made substantial progress and we expect this to continue.''

CONTACT: Horn & Hardart, New York
Michael Sherman, 212/484-9639;
by
Adams & Rinehart Inc., New York
Kris Lawas or Jo-Anne Sinnott, 212/557-0100

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WALTHAM, MASS. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Meditrust, (NYSE:MT) the nation's largest health care real estate investment trust, announced Monday that Frederick W. Zuckerman has been elected to its board of trustees.

Zuckerman, 56, is Corporate Vice President and Treasurer of Chrysler Corp. Previously, he was a Divisional Controller at International Business Machines Corp. from 1976 to 1979. Zuckerman holds a M.B.A. from Columbia University Graduate School of Business and a B.S. degree from Ohio State University.

Zuckerman also received a honorary doctoral degree from Avila College in Kansas City, Mo., and a fellowship in doctoral study from Columbia University Graduate School of Business.

Abraham D. Gosman, chairman of the board, stated that ''Mr. Zuckerman's insight, knowledge and experience in financial matters will enhance our already considerable capabilities in providing additional access to the financial marketplace.''

Zuckerman joins Abraham D. Gosman, Sen. Edward W. Brooke, Gov. Hugh L. Carey, Robert Cataldo, George J. Fantini, Philip L. Lowe, and Thomas J. Magovern as one of the eight members of Meditrust's board of trustees.

Meditrust, with headquarters in Waltham, Mass., is a dedicated Healthcare Real Estate Investment Trust, holding investments in 105 healthcare facilities with 17 different operators in 24 states totaling appoximately $750 million of investments.

The company has equity of $270 million and specializes in the sub-acute sector of the Healthcare industry, including investments in rehabilitation hospitals, long-term care facilities, alcohol and substance abuse treatment centers, psychiatric hospitals and retirement living communities. A.M.A. Advisory Corp., a Delaware corporation is engaged as the advisor to Meditrust.

CONTACT: Meditrust, Waltham
David F. Benson, 617/736-1500

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HOUSTON (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Interpak Holdings Inc. (OTC:ITPK) Monday announced revenues and results of operations for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990.

The results of operations for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990 include approximately $125,000 of before tax expenses incurred in connection with the distribution of shares of Interpak Holdings Inc. on May 25, 1990.

Interpak Holdings Inc.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$ 2,781,200	$ 3,306,100	$ 5,973,800	$ 6,530,700
Net (loss) income	$ (31,400)	$ 194,300	$ 49,000	$ 388,600
Average common shares	3,046,000	3,253,000	3,046,000	3,270,000
Net (loss) income per share	$ (.01)	$ .06	$ .02	$ .12

CONTACT: Interpak Holdings Inc., Greenwich, Conn.
Herbert Pearlman or David Lawi, 203/629-1400

by

KCS&A, New York
Leslie A. Schupak or Joseph Mansi, 212/682-6300.

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CHATSWORTH, CA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - International Remote Imaging Systems Inc. (IRIS) Monday released unaudited results for the three and six months ended June 30:

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales/ revenues	$ 1,143,793	$ 854,071	$ 2,222,618	$ 1,889,134
Net loss	(85,945)	(745,963)	(144,348)	(1,143,561)
Average shares	19,321,417	19,321,417	19,321,417	19,321,417
Loss per share	$ --	$(0.04)	$(0.01)	$(0.06)

The decreased loss for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990 as compared with the same periods in 1989, reflects increases in product sales and research and development revenues, improved margins and implementation of planned decreases in selected operating expenses.

IRIS, a NASDAQ-listed Chatsworth, Calif. company, manufactures and sells The Yellow IRIS urinalysis workstation, based on its patented slideless microscopy and proprietary image processing technology.

CONTACT: International Remote Imaging Systems, Chatsworth
Jeffrey S. Koren, vice president and CFO, 818/709-1244.

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - SCI Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:SCIS) announced Monday consolidated operating earnings results for fiscal year 1990 ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for fiscal year 1990 were $1,179,027,000, compared with $986,784,000 for fiscal year 1989. Net income for 1990 was $2,308,000, compared with $20,882,000 for 1989. Earnings per share for the year were 11 cents, compared to $1 for the previous year. Sales for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 were $299,739,000, compared to $292,060,000 for the same period of the previous year.

Earnings per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 were 25 cents, compared to 36 cents for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1989. Order backlog at June 30, 1990, was $777 million, compared with $744 million a year earlier.

SCI Systems Inc. is a vertically integrated electronics manufacturer whose products and systems are supplied to a varity of aerospace, industrial and commercial customers.

CONTACT: SCI Systems Inc., Huntsville
Richard Hodges, 205/882-4131

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NEWTON, MA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Biotechnology Development Corporation (''BDC'') Monday reported consolidated revenues of $795,685 and a consolidated net income of $299,687, or $0.10 per share for the three-month period ending June 30, 1990.

In the corresponding period of 1989 the consolidated revenues were $762,501 and the net income was $11,365 or $0.00 per share. For the six-month period ending June 30, 1990, consolidated revenues were $1,446,220 and the net income was $267,810, or $0.09 per share. In the corresponding period of 1989 revenues were $1,244,581 and there was a loss of $283,232, or $0.10 per share.

Biotechnology Development Corporation (''BDC'') is a source of innovative equipment and technology for the biotechnology and process industries.

The Company's Common Stock is traded over-the-counter under the NASDAQ Symbol BIOD.

BIOTECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORP.
Statement of Operations
(unaudited)

	Three months ended June 30,		Six months ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$795,685	$762,501	$1,446,220	$1,244,581
Total costs & expenses	765,236	760,236	1,446,099	1,569,802
Operating profit/ (loss)	30,449	2,265	121	(325,221)
Interest income	15,739	12,409	28,896	33,426
Interest expense	(17,400)	(20,000)	(34,800)	(40,000)
Gain on sale of assets	291,250	--	291,250	--
Minority interest in net loss of consolidated subsidiary	(20,351)	16,691	(17,657)	48,563
Net income/(loss)	$299,687	$11,365	$267,810	$(283,232)
Net income/(loss)				

per Common Share outstanding	$0.10	$0.00	$0.09	$(0.10)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	3,028,252	3,024,045	3,026,149	3,024,045

CONTACT: Biotechnology Development Corporation, Newton
Michael T. Rumley, 617/969-5452

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - John Hoyt Stookey, Chairman, Quantum Chemical Corporation, Monday announced the election of Dennis J. Spina to the position of President, Suburban Propane/Petrolane and Vice President, Quantum Chemical Corporation effective September 1, 1990.

Mr. Spina, formerly Vice President - Eastern Region and a corporate officer of Federal Express Corporation, has had significant responsibility over the company's expansion during the 1980s.

He joined the company in 1973 as a courier, advancing to Station Manager in various locations before being named Managing Director of the New York/New Jersey Metro District in 1978. In 1980, he was promoted to Vice President of the Eastern Region, which today has over 12,000 employees.

He played a major role in the integration of the Flying Tigers acquisition into Federal Express.

The recipient of a B. A. degree from Temple University, Mr. Spina has completed the Financial Management Program at Harvard University.

Spina and his family are residents of Califon, N.J.

Mark J. Anton will continue in a consulting capacity as Vice Chairman of Suburban Propane.

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BELTSVILLE, Md. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - North American Vaccine Inc. (ASE:NVX) Monday announced its operating results for the three months and six months ended June 30.

Summary results are as follows:

	Quarter Ended June 30, 1990	Six Months Ended June 30, 1990
Revenues	$ 1,142,038	$ 1,472,136
Net loss	(561,195)	(755,400)
Net loss per share	($0.06)	($0.12)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	9,343,542	6,297,873

North American Vaccine Inc., both directly and through its subsidiaries, is engaged in the research, development, manufacturing and marketing of human immunobiological products with emphasis on vaccines to prevent pediatric infectious diseases.

CONTACT: North American Vaccine Inc., Beltsville Sharon Mates, president, 301/470-4014

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ATLANTA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The Portman Companies have begun a plan to provide all of their unsecured lenders with a security interest in certain assets.

This plan is in response to a recent tightening of federal bank guidelines by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), which virtually eliminated unsecured lending to the real estate industry.

''Our discussions with lenders are ongoing, are not unusual in today's market and will have absolutely no affect on our tenants, customers, employees, partners or suppliers,'' said John C. Portman Jr.

''Contrary to recent newspaper reports, there is no significant refinancing or restructuring of our mortgages that are secured by real estate. This plan is the commercial equivalent of a home equity loan, namely using equity value to provide short-term lenders with long-term security.''

The Portman Companies control a diverse portfolio of ''blue chip'' properties, including seven hotels, 17 office buildings and five mart buildings. The organization's primary holdings are in Atlanta, but it has properties in various cities around the world, including San Francisco, New York and Shanghai, China.

''Our equity is this vast portfolio is more than adequate to provide security positions to our currently unsecured lenders and to meet the new more stringent federal guidelines,'' added Portman.

The Portman Companies' debt of about $1.6 billion in Atlanta represents about 14 million square feet in developments. The unsecured portion of the company's debt is a small amount of its total debt.

''Far from causing concern about The Portman Companies' financial situation, this plan of securing all our lenders significantly reduces any perceived risk to our line of credit and unsecured lenders,'' said Portman. ''It is business as usual at The Portman Companies.''

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Danielle Martin, 404/420-5216

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T and Universal Bank Monday announced that the AT&T Universal Card has set an industry growth record and vaulted into eighth place on the ''Top 10'' list of most popular bank credit cards in the United States.

AT&T said the achievement signals continuing strong demand by consumers for the dual-purpose credit card, demand fueled by a large amount of word-of-mouth advertising.

AT&T said 2.7 million AT&T Universal Card accounts have been opened since the card was introduced March 26, 1990. Paul Kahn, president of AT&T Universal Card Services Corp, said that nearly 4.6 million consumers are using the AT&T Universal Card for dining, shopping, travel and to place AT&T long-distance telephone calls domestically and around the world.

In conjunction with the continuing success of the AT&T Universal Card, AT&T and Universal Bank simultaneously announced the introduction of a new variation of the card with more features than any current AT&T Universal Card. Consumers now will be able to sign up for all the benefits of an AT&T Universal Card-Gold MasterCard, which becomes the newest AT&T Universal Card available to consumers. ''Our continuing success in the marketplace is a sign that consumers are delighted with the advantages offered by the AT&T Universal Card,'' said Kahn, whose AT&T Universal Card Services Corp. is the affinity partner with Universal Bank of Columbus, Ga., the issuer of the AT&T Universal Card.

AT&T said consumers already have used the AT&T Universal Card to make more than 11 million long-distance calls and purchases and to date have charged more than $750 million in transactions.

Using figures compiled by Credit Card News, a trade publication covering the credit card industry, Kahn pointed out that the AT&T Universal Card

became the eighth most popular bank credit card in the United States in only 140 days from its introduction. AT&T announced its one millionth account June 12, 1990, 78 days after launching the AT&T Universal Card. Today's announcement of an additional 1.7 million accounts comes 62 days later.

Kahn said he expected strong consumer demand for the company's newest card version, the AT&T Universal Card-Gold MasterCard, which is the first Gold MasterCard nationwide to feature a completely new design from MasterCard International.

Kahn said the AT&T Universal Card-Gold MasterCard will offer consumers a wide variety of features associated with the combined long-distance calling card and general purpose credit card. Among the benefits are the fact that the AT&T Universal Card is free for life for consumers who sign up in 1990 and use the card at least once a year thereafter; a 10 percent discount for AT&T calls charged to the card; an unparalleled service guarantee; and emergency legal, medical and roadside automobile assistance. In addition, the AT&T Universal Card-Gold MasterCard offers auto rental collision/loss damage insurance, automatic travel accident insurance and purchase security and extended protection program benefits.

Consumers interested in applying for the AT&T Universal Card may do so by calling 1-800-66-APPLY (1-800-662-7759).

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Bruce Reid, 201/850-0597 (Home) or 201/221-8413 (Office)

-30- 3515

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ATLANTA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - EQK Realty Investors I (NYSE Symbol:EKR) Monday (August 13, 1990) reported its results of operations for the three months ended June 30, showing net funds generated (cash flow) of $2.27 million or 30 cents per share and net loss of $1.34 million or 18 cents per share.

For the same quarter in the previous year, net funds generated (cash flow) was $2.91 million or 38 cents per share and net loss was $460,000 or 7 cents per share.

Net funds generated (cash flow) for the six months ended June 30 was $4.53 million or 60 cents per share and net loss for the same period was $2.62 million or 35 cents per share. Net funds generated (cash flow) during the first six months of 1989 was $5.73 million or 76 cents per share and net loss for the same period was $1.04 million or 14 per share.

The company's real estate portfolio consists of three properties;

Harrisburg East Mall in Harrisburg, Pa.; Castleton Commercial Park in Indianapolis; and Peachtree-Dunwoody Pavilion in Atlanta.

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Gregory R. Greenfield, 404/261-0100

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WATERBURY, VT (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Fred ''Chico'' Lager, president and chief executive officer of Ben & Jerry's Homemade Inc. (NASDAQ: BJICA) the Vermont-based superpremium ice cream manufacturer, announced 1990 second quarter results today.

Net sales for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $20,227,396, an increase of 28 percent over the figure of $15,742,572 for the corresponding quarter in 1989. Net income for the quarter was $786,940, an increase of 11 percent over net income of $705,961 in the 1989 second quarter. Earnings per share were 30 cents, or 29 cents per share fully diluted, as compared to 27 cents in the second quarter of 1989.

''Our sales growth continues to be very strong,'' stated Lager. ''We invested heavily during the second quarter in promotion of our new Ben & Jerry's LIGHT product.''

Ben & Jerry's produces superpremium ice cream, ice cream novelties, and Ben & Jerry's LIGHT using Vermont dairy products and high quality natural ingredients. Ben & Jerry's ice cream is distributed in 42 states, and the company has 85 franchised scoop shops and five company owned stores.

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Fran Rathke, 802/244-5641

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - August 13, 1990 --A federal district court jury in New Orleans, La., has awarded the First National Bank of Louisville, a subsidiary of National City Corporation, a judgment of $21,687,664 plus interest to be determined by the court.

The judgment was against Aetna Casualty & Surety Company and the Chubb Group of Insurance Companies for claims made under the bank's blanket bond.

Attorneys for National City Corporation and the First National Bank of Louisville noted that the judgment is not final and will be subject to appeal.

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Corporate Communications
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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - McDonnell Douglas has selected two Utah manufacturing companies to supply components for use in the MD-80 McDonnell Douglas' popular twin-engine jetliner.

Alfred J. Egbert, general manager of the McDonnell Douglas facility in Salt Lake City, said a contract is being awarded Monday to Metalcraft Technologies Inc., Cedar City, and another has been awarded to Central Utah Tool, Provo.

The contract with Metalcraft, valued at more than $700,000, calls for fabrication of aluminum sub-components for MD-80 floor assemblies. This contract brings to more than $1.2 million the value of work awarded to Metalcraft by McDonnell Douglas.

Under a separate contract valued at nearly $100,000, Central Utah Tool will provide brackets for beams used on floor assemblies.

Egbert said, ''In letting these contracts, McDonnell Douglas continues to endorse locally owned and operated Utah businesses. Our relationships with Utah companies have been mutually beneficial, and we are pleased to participate in the business community in Utah.''

The McDonnell Douglas plant in Salt Lake City manufactures major sub-assemblies for the MD-80 twin-jet series of aircraft. These sub-assemblies are shipped to Long Beach, Calif., where they are used in final assembly of the short-to-medium-range aircraft by the Douglas Aircraft Co. division of McDonnell Douglas.

In addition to floor assemblies for the MD-80, the Salt Lake City facility is also manufacturing a major section of the fuselage. By the end of 1991 the facility will be building all four sections of the plane's fuselage.

CONTACT: McDonnell Douglas
Cheryl Sorenson, 801/537-6438.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Texas Petroleum Holdings Inc. (NYSE: UTH) Monday announced that its Union Texas Petroleum Corp. subsidiary has discovered natural gas in a well drilled on East Cameron Block 246 in the Gulf of Mexico.

Located approximately 130 miles south of Lafayette, La., the East Cameron Block 246 No. 1 found 30 feet of net gas pay below 6,200 feet. Union Texas said that plans are being developed to install a platform and gas facilities to initiate production at approximately 15 million cubic feet of gas a day.

Union Texas holds a 100 percent interest in the tract, which was purchased at the May 1985 federal offshore lease sale.

One of the nation's largest independent producers, Houston-based Union Texas Petroleum Holdings Inc. (NYSE: UTH) explores for and produces oil and gas in the United States and overseas and has petrochemicals and natural gas processing interests.

CONTACT: Union Texas Petroleum Inc., Houston
Carol L. Cox, 713/968-3258.

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BILLERICA, Mass. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Automatix Inc. reported that its second quarter was profitable.

The company earned a net profit of $31,000 on revenues of $2,722,000. This compares with a net loss of $850,000 or 5 cents per share on revenues of $1,601,000 for the second quarter of 1989 and with a net loss of $856,000 or 5 cents per share on revenues of $1,704,000 for the first quarter of 1990.

Automatix Inc. provides software products for industry along with OEM robot and control modules including Macintosh compatible industrial computers.

Software applications include: -- Image analysis. -- Machine vision inspection, gauging and robot guidance -- Adaptive control -- Cell Control

The Cognition subisidiary develop and markets mechanical CAD and CAE products for: -- Drafting -- Design -- Engineering -- Expert systems for cost and manufacturability guidance

Founded in January, 1980, Automatix trades in the over-the-counter market

under the symbol AITXC.

CONTACT: Automatix Inc., Billerica Michael J. Cronin or John J. Dias, 508/667-7900

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OKLAHOMA CITY (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The Phoenix Resource Companies Inc. (PSE:PHN) Monday announced results of second quarter operations.

It reported a loss of $0.25 million for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, on revenues of $4.9 million. For the same period of 1989 the company reported a loss of $1.6 million on revenues of $9.2 million.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990 income of $0.9 million on revenues of $9.5 million was reported compared to a loss of $3.3 million on revenues of $14.8 million for the same period of 1989.

The Phoenix Resource Companies Inc. is an oil and gas exploration and production company headquartered in Oklahoma City with its primary producing properties in the Western Desert of the Arab Republic of Egypt. It is the successor to Texas International Co. by reorganization which became effective in April 1990.

The Phoenix Resource Companies Inc. Summary Financial and Operating Data

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
Financial Summary	1990	1989	1990	1989
(In Thousands)		(Unaudited)		
Revenues	$4,874	$ 9,243	$9,465	$14,800
Costs and Expenses	$5,122	$10,804	$8,554	$18,140
Net Income (Loss)	$ (248)	$(1,561)	$ 911	$(3,340)
Operating Summary				
Crude Oil Average Price				
(Per Barrel)	$14.61	$17.43	$16.25	$16.69
Average Daily Sales				
(In Barrels)	2,903	5,604	2,634	$4,631
Revenues (thousands)	$3,860	$8,890	$7,747	$13,994
Natural Gas Average Price				
(Per mcf)	$1.05	$1.30	$1.78	$1.70
Average Daily Sales				
(mmcf)	1.1	0.4	1.1	0.5
Revenues (thousands)	$100	$52	$340	$146

CONTACT: The Phoenix Resource Companies Inc., Oklahoma City
Debora Bingham, 405/728-5100.

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FLORENCE, AL (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - AlaTenn Resources Inc. (NASDAQ:ATNG), Monday announced substantially higher earnings for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 1990, compared with year-earlier results.

Other highlights of the second quarter included a 14 percent increase in natural gas pipeline throughput and the repayment of existing debt under the company's revolving credit facility.

AlaTenn's net income for the second quarter increased to $731,000 or 32 cents per share versus earnings of $115,000 or 5 cents per share in the same period last year. The year-earlier results included a loss of approximately $298,000 or 13 cents per share related to the operations of End Devices Inc., which were discontinued as of Dec. 31, 1989.

As a result of the sale of Colony, revenues for the second quarter were below those of the same period last year. Total revenues for the period were $19.1 million compared with $26.3 million in the second quarter last year.

However, Colony accounted for approximately $12.7 million of the revenues reported for the prior-year period. Disregarding the revenues contributed by that subsidiary, the company's revenues in the second quarter of 1990 from core pipeline operations increased 41 percent over the comparable amounts for the second quarter last year.

For the first half of 1990, AlaTenn's earnings rose 114 percent to $1,492,000 or 65 cents per share compared with $698,000 or 31 cents per share in the same period last year. The year-earlier period included a loss from discontinued operations of $605,000 or 26 cents per share.

Total revenues for the first half declined 43 percent reflecting the recent sale of Colony. Revenues from the company's other operations, excluding Colony, rose 43 percent in the first half of 1990 compared with the same period of 1989.

In particular, he noted that the company had recently completed construction of an intrastate gas pipeline in the Tennessee Valley, which provides natural gas service to a new energy cogeneration facility, as well as higher volume to other industrial and to resale customers.

AlaTenn Resources Inc. is an energy holding company with interest in natural gas gathering, transmission, distribution and marketing. The company's common stock is traded on the National Market System under the

NASDAQ symbol ATNG.

CONTACT: AlaTenn Resources Inc., Florence
George G. Petty, 205/383-3631.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - American Exploration Co. (AMEX:AX) Monday reported net income of $92,000 or break-even per share, for the second quarter of 1990, as compared to net income of $3,076,000, or 12 cents per share, for the comparable 1989 period.

For the first six months of 1990, American Exploration reported a net loss of $622,000, or 4 cents per share, as compared to net income of $2,570,000 or 9 cents per share, for the comparable 1989 period.

Revenues generated during the second quarter of 1990 totaled $13.5 million or about flat with the 1989 period. Mark Andrews, chairman and CEO, said ''oil and gas revenues increased from $8.2 million to $10.7 million, or 30% in the second quarter of 1990 compared to the same period last year. However, revenue associated with closing of institutional programs was $2.3 million for the second quarter of 1990 vs. $4.5 million for the same period last year due to timing of program closings.''

For the second quarter of 1990 crude oil production was 3,320 barrels per day, compared to 2,470 barrels per day for the same period last year, or an increase of 34%. Natural gas production in the second quarter of this year was 37,470 Mcf per day, an increase of 35% from the second quarter of 1989 production of 27,730 Mcf per day.

Production from properties acquired during 1989, primarily the property interests acquired from Oryx Energy Co. in Nov. 1989, contributed significantly to the increase in production. This year's second quarter average crude oil price was $16.87 per barrel vs. $17.30 per barrel for last year's second quarter, or a decrease of 2%. Average natural gas price this period was $1.64 per Mcf vs. $1.71 per Mcf last year.

Production and operating costs for the second quarter of 1990 as a percentage of oil and gas sales were 37%, up from the 1989 level of 30%. Higher operating costs reflect additional workover projects which occured during the 1990 period.

Increased production was the principal reason that depreciation, depletion and amortization (DD&A) increased to $4.7 million from $3.7 million. On an equivalent barrel basis DD&A was $5.40 in the second quarter of 1990 compared to $5.70 in the second quarter of 1989.

Total revenues for the first six months of 1990 were $28.4 million vs. $24.1 million for the same period of 1989. For 1990, oil and gas sales were $24.3 million compared to $16.4 million for the same period of 1989, or an increase of 48%. The primary reason for the increase was a 30% increase in crude oil production and a 45% increase in natural gas production in 1990 compared to 1989. Revenues in 1990 also reflected the absence of $1.2 million of gas contract settlement income that was recognized in 1989.

Total costs and expenses for the six months of 1990 were $28.9 million compared to $21.6 million last year. Production and operating costs increased to $8.8 million in 1990 from $5.6 million last year primarily due to higher production levels and workover projects in 1990. Depreciation, depletion and amortization also increased due to higher production levels.

Cash flow from operations was $9.2 million for the first six months of 1990 and $11.6 million in the six months of 1989, a decrease of 21% primarily due to lower property conveyance related revenue due to timing of programs closings and reductions in trade liabilities during the first six months of 1990.

American Exploration Co. produces and sells oil and gas, principally in Texas, New Mexico and the mid-Continent region. The company also acquires oil and gas properties with funding from institutional investors and seeks to add reserves to its properties through efficient operation and development drilling.

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MELVILLE, N.Y. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Miltope Group Inc. (NASDAQ:MILT), the nation's largest independent (non-OEM) manufacturer of militarized and ruggedized computer peripheral equipment for defense and derivative commercial applications, Monday reported sales and earnings for the second quarter six months periods ended June 30.

For the 1990 second quarter Miltope reported record net sales of $28,563,000, a 17 percent increase over year-ago second quarter net sales of $24,465,000.

Net earnings in the second quarter of 1990 were $840,000, or 14 cents per share, compared to $1,172,000, or 20 cents per share, reported for the comparable 1989 second quarter. Per share results were computed on the basis of 5,864,000 and 5,862,000 average shares outstanding in the 1990

and 1989 periods, respectively.

Miltope reported net sales of $52,721,000 for the first half of 1990, representing a 25 percent increase over net sales of $432,115,000 in the corresponding 1989 period. 1990 first half net earnings were $1,178,000, or 20 cents per share, compared to earnings of $1,262,000, or 22 cents per share, reported for the year-ago period. Earnings per share for the periods are based on 5,864,000 and 5,866,000 average shares outstanding in the 1990 and 1989 periods, respectively.

Improvements in net sales in the 1990 second quarter and six months were attributable primarily to a higher level of shipments of the company's military disk and printer product lines, as well as systems for the U.S. Army Tactical Command & Control System, Common Hardware/Software Program (ATCCS/CHS). ATCCS/CHS sales amounted to $10.4 million in the second quarter, compared to $6.1 million in the comparable year-ago quarter.

Richard Pandolfi, president and chief executive officer, stated, ''Our second quarter results demonstrate the continuing positive impact of management initiatives to improve manufacturing efficiency and reduce selling general and adminstrative expenses both in absolute terms as well as a percentage of sales. Compared to our 1990 first quarter results, second quarter net sales increased 18 percent, operating income increased 65 percent and net income more than doubled.

''Our second quarter results, compared to a year ago, reflect generally the impact of a less favorable product mix in both military and commercial industry segments, as well as shipments on programs that provide little or no margin contribution in the quarter. Non-recurring costs to complete specific customer demands on these programs were charged against 1989 year-end results. In addition, Miltope experienced an increase in traditionally lower margin ATCCS/CHS volume, relative to total shipments.

''Miltope acts as a system integrator for ATCCS/CHS, whereby manufacturing costs value added is contributed primarily by its subcontractors. On ATCCS/CHS sales, gross profit percentages are lower than the company's traditional military products, but its selling general and administrative expenses, as well as its research and development costs, as a percentage of sales, are lower.''

In the 1990 second quarter Miltope received $29 million in orders, including an $8 million production contract from the U.S. Navy for militarized rigid disk systems and $12.6 million in incremental orders for the ATCCS/CHS program. These orders replenished production in the quarter and brought the company's contract backlog level to $87 million as of June 30. This compares to an order backlog of $86.5 million at the end of the 1990 first quarter and a $113 million order backlog at June 30, 1989.

Miltope Group Inc., through its wholly owned subsidiaries, Miltope Corp. and Miltope Business Products Inc., is engaged in the design, development, manufacture and testing of microcomputer and computer peripheral equipment for military, rugged and other specialized applications requiring operations in severe land, sea and airborne environments. The company provides disk mask memories, high speed printers, digital magnetic tape products, bubble memories, transportable microcomputers, and a complete line of ruggedized Hewlett Packard 32-bit computers and related peripherals.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Hedley Donovan, Henry Luce's successor as editor-in-chief of the Time Inc. publishing empire, died Monday in New York Hospital after a long illness.

He was 76 years old and made his home in Manhattan and Sands Point, Long Island.

Born on May 24, 1914 in Brainerd, Minn., the son of a mining engineer. Donovan graduated magna cum laude from the University of Minnesota in 1934 and was elected a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Donovan is survived by two sons, Peter, an investment banker, and Mark, a senior editor at People magazine; and a daughter, Helen, who is managing editor of the Boston Sunday Globe; and two grandchildren. His wife Dorothy died in 1978.

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NAPLES, FL (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Flea Fair USA Inc. (the company) announced Monday that the company's board of directors has approved the creation of a new class C warrant as an incentive to induce the current holders of the company's 250,000 class A and 250,000 class B warrants to exercise their warrants.

The company will create and register with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission) a total of 1 million class C warrants, which will be issuable on the basis of two class C warrants for each class A or

class B warrant exercised.

The shares of common stock underlying the class C warrants shall also be registered with the Commission, and each class C warrant shall be exercisable into one share of registered common stock at a price of $2 per warrant for a period of two years from the effectiveness of the class C warrant registration statement. The class C warrants shall be callable by the company on 30 days' written notice to the holders of record thereof.

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NEW HARTFORD, N.Y. (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - For the three months ended June 30, 1990, PAR Technology Corp. (NYSE:PTC) reported revenues of $21.5 million, net income of $50,000, and earnings per share of 1 cent.

This compares to the same period a year ago when revenues were $22.3 million, net income was $866,000, and earnings per share were 11 cents.

For the six months ended in June revenues totaled $43.5 million vs. $42.2 million for the same period in 1989; net income was $67,000 compared to $1.2 million in 1989; and earnings per share were 1 cent vs. 15 cents for the same period in 1989.

Included in the previous year's earnings per share were two non-recurring events which contributed $.06 of the reported $.15. These events were an accounting change to conform to FAS96, Accounting for Income Taxes, and the proceeds from the sale of the assets of a subsidiary company.

For the second quarter of 1990, revenues for the commercial business decreased by 4 percent from the same period a year ago. For the government business, revenues were down 1 percent from the same period in 1989.

''Our Point of Sale business in the second quarter was less robust than expected,'' said Dr. John Sammon, CEO and chairman. He also noted, ''We believe it is a result of lower volume of business in the fast food chains which in turn impacts capital purchase decisions for store equipment such as our products.

''Our government business is holding up quite well in spite of the pressures on the Department of Defense (DoD) to reduce expenditures,'' stated Dr. Sammon. ''Most importantly, I am very pleased to announce a major contract award to one of our subsidiary companies, Rome Research Corp., for Systems Integration, Technology Evaluation and Support (SITES)

services with the Rome Air Development Center (RADC), Griffiss Air Force Base, Rome, New York.

''The four year contract ceiling of $22.5 million is the largest single government contract ever received by PAR,'' said Dr. Sammon. Rome Research Coporation President, ALbert Lane Jr., estimates 20 new technical positions will be created in the Rome, N.Y. area as a result of the new contract.

Rome Research Corp. has also been advised of other impending awards totaling approximately $5.1 million dollars.

Dr. Sammon was also pleased to announce the award to PAR Government Systems Corp. of a systems engineering technical assistance contract with the potential revenue of $4.5 million from the Army Engineering Topographic Labs at Ft. Belvoir, Va.

PAR is a supplier of transaction processing information systems to the food service and convenience store industries and to the Computer Integrated Manufacturing market and a contractor providing computer based system design and development services to the Federal Government.

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GREENVILLE, SC (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Harper Brothers, a subsidiary of Delta Woodside Industries Inc. (NYSE: DLW), announced Monday that they have come to an agreement to acquire S.T. Wyrick, the supplies division of Watkins Inc.

This acquisition will enhance Harper Brothers' presence in the key North Carolina markets of Greensboro/Winston-Salem/High Point and Durham/Raleigh/Chapel Hill and will provide S.T. Wyrick with greater resources.

Harper Brothers is headquartered in Greenville, with branches in Greenwood Anderson and Columbia, S.C., and Charlotte, N.C. The company also owns Duncan Office Supplies in Beaufort and Hilton Head, S.C.

Watkins Inc. is headquartered in Winston-Salem, N.C., with a branch in Greensboro, N.C. Both companies are engaged in the distribution of office furnishings and supplies.

Delta Woodside Industries Inc., headquartered in Greenville, manufactures and sells a wide variety of textile fabrics and apparel. The company,

which has approximately 8,300 employees, operates 32 plants and 7 retail distribution centers in four states and Costa Rica.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Cluett, Peabody Holding Co., a subsidiary of Bidermann Industries Corp., announced Monday the appointment of Robert E. Briefel as president of the Cluett Hosiery Group, effective Aug. 15.

In this new position, Briefel will be responsible for the marketing, sales and manufacturing activities of Great American Knitting Mills Inc. and its Gold Toe and Annedeen operating divisions.

Great American is the marketer and manufacturer of Gold Toe, Private Label and licensed brand hosiery for men, women and boys. All senior executives of GAKM and its operating divisions will report to Briefel.

In a related announcement, William Droeger, president of the Gold Toe operating division, has announced his retirement after 41 years of service at Cluett. He will remain with the company for a transition period.

Prior to the Cluett appointment, Briefel was chairman of the board of The DMC Corp., an importer and distributor of needlecraft threads and yarns, and president of The Dollfus Mieg Co Inc., its U.S. holding company. Both companies are owned by Dollful Mieg & Cie., France's leading textile and thread company.

Before joining DMC, Briefel was an investment banker with the Triumph Investment Corp. of London and Paris. Briefel will report directly to Harris Hester, president and COO of Cluett, Peabody Holding Co. which includes Cluett, Peabody & Co. Inc., and its operating subsidiaries of Great American Knitting Mills Inc., J. Schoeneman Inc., the Cluett Shirt Group and all Cluett International Businesses.

Cluett, Peabody & Co. Inc. was acquired in March 1990 by Bidermann Industries, one of the largest manufacturers of men's and women's apparel in the world. Today Bidermann produces, markets and distributes such well-known branded apparel as Arrow shirts, Gold Toe socks and Burberrys tailored clothing and dress furnishings.

In addition to these, Bidermann is a leading producer and marketer of designer men's and womens wear offering labels by such prestigious international designers as Alexander Julian, Ralph Lauren, Bill Robinson

and Yves Saint Laurent, among others.

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Harris Hester, 212/930-3001

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DALLAS (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Abatix Environmental Corp. (NASDAQ: ABIX) Monday announced record sales for the second quarter and first half ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for the second quarter of 1990 increased 27 pct. to $2,580,307 from $2,028,432 one year earlier. Net income for the second quarter of 1990 fell slightly to $82,862 or $.03 per share from $96,780 or $.05 per share in the second quarter of 1989.

For the first half of 1990, sales increased 24 pct. to $4,638,874 from $3,728,382 in 1989. Net income was $94,445 or $.04 per share, down from $184,870 or $.10 per share for the first six months of 1989.

Gross profit margins for the second quarter and the six months ended June 30, 1990 increased to 27 pct. from 26 pct. for the comparable periods in 1989.

Earnings per share calculations for the second quarter and first half of 1990 are based on 2,380,293 and 2,295,994 weighted average shares outstanding, respectively, an increase of 14 pct. and 24 pct. from 2,081,418 and 1,842,468 weighted average shares outstanding, respectively, for comparable periods in 1989. The increase in the weighted average shares outstanding principally resulted from the Company's issuance of 289,483 shares upon exercise of warrants completed May 1, 1990.

According to Terry W. Shaver, president, ''The increase in revenues was principally attributable to continued growth in the West Coast market. Also, we are pleased with the improving contribution to revenues from out Houston facility opened earlier this year.

''We are particularly pleased with our continued success in increasing revenues and improving gross profit margins in a very competitive and slower growing asbestos abatement market. Although earnings for 1990 continue to be impacted by opening expenses and overhead for the Houston facility and expansion expenses for the Hayward, California facility, we substantially improved our operating performance in the second quarter as revenues increased $521,740 and net income increased $71,279 over the first quarter of 1990.

''In response to current indications that the asbestos abatement industry

will continue to grow at a slower pace, and with the proceeds from the recent warrant exercise, the Company is expanding its distribution services to include the hazardous materials (haz-mat) industry. As we develop our product lines and increase our customer base, haz-mat sales are expected to become a significant part of total revenues.''

Shaver concluded, ''Abatix's strong financial position and improving operating performance will enable us to meet the challenges of the asbestos abatement industry while seeking additional opportunities in the haz-mat market. Importantly, the Company is strategically positioned to achieve higher levels of revenues and profits in the quarters ahead.''

Abatix Environmental Corp. is a distributor to the asbestos abatement, hazardous materials and industrial safety industries. Lines include personal safety and protection products and durable and non-durable equipment and supplies. The Company has distribution centers in Dallas, and Houston, Texas and in Hayward, California and a sales office in Nederland, Texas from which it services customers throughout the Southwest Midwest and Pacific Coast including asbestos abatement contractors, and toxic waste remediation, chemical, petrochemical and general industrial companies.

ABATIX ENVIRONMENTAL CORP.
Statements of Earnings
(Unaudited)

	Second Quarter Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Sales	$2,580,307	2,028,432
Gross Profit	700,182	529,037
Income From Operations	130,489	139,613
Income Before Taxes	130,750	147,095
Net Income	$ 82,862	96,780
Earnings Per Share	$ .03	.05
Weighted Average Shares	2,380,293	2,081,418

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Sales	$4,638,874	3,728,382
Gross Profit	1,241,388	968,489
Income From Operations	145,988	275,171
Income Before Taxes	149,640	281,147
Net Income	$ 94,445	184,870
Earnings Per Share	$ .04	.10
Weighted Average Shares	2,295,994	1,842,468

Balance Sheets

At:	6/30/90	12/31/89
Current Assets	$3,697,380	2,917,809
Total Assets	4,019,290	3,075,828
Current Liabilities	$ 973,491	939,942
Long-term debt	26,919	6,788
Deferred Taxes	2,708	9,758
Stockholders' Equity	3,016,172	2,119,340
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$4,019,290	3,075,828
Current ratio	3.8:1	3.1:1
Book value	$ 1.32	1.06
Shares outstanding	2,290,683	2,001,200

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QUINCY, MA (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The Hibernia Savings Bank (NASDAQ:HSBK) announced Monday that for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 the Bank had a net loss of $2,077,413 or $2.60 per share compared to net income of $108,992 or $0.14 per share for the same period a year ago.

For the six month period ended June 30, 1990 the Bank had a net loss of $1,949,683 or $2.44 per share, compared to net income of $514,863 or $0.64 per share for the same period a year ago.

Total assets of the Bank increased by 6.2 percent to $207,639,441 from $195,461,435. Total loans over the same period increased by 0.8 percent to $153,037,962 at June 30, 1990 from $151,861,591 at June 30, 1989. Total deposits increased by 8.0 percent at June 30, 1990 to $174,334,295 from $161,459,205 at June 30, 1989.

Stockholders' equity totaled $12,816,384 at June 30, 1990. Based on 800,000 shares outstanding the Bank's book value was $16.02 per share. The Bank exceeds all regulatory capital requirements and as of June 30, 1990 the ratio was 7.5 percent of assets.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) has just completed the field portion of a regulatory examination. In addition, prior to the FDIC examination, as a result of the continuing deterioration in the local real estate market, the Bank along with its independent accountants completed a review of its loan portfolio. Based on the results of both reviews the

Bank's loan loss provision for the first six months will total $3,829,000, including a provision of $3,579,000 in the second quarter, compared to a total of $217,000 for the first six months of 1989. For the first six months of 1990, $757,463 was charged, net of recoveries, to the allowance for loan losses, compared to $25,844 for the first six months of 1989. The Bank's loan loss reserve totaled $4,414,495 at June 30, 1990 compared to $545,153 at June 30, 1989, for a net increase of $3,869,342.

The Bank at June 30, 1990 had 60 loans in non-performing status totaling $7,615,111 which represents 4.97 percent of loans outstanding compared to non-performing loans totaling $5,790,443 representing 3.63 percent of loans outstanding at March 31, 1990. In addition at June 30, 1990 the Bank had acquired 26 parcels of real estate through foreclosure totaling $3,158,555 compared to 10 parcels totaling $1,606,237 at March 31, 1990. Real estate owned is carried on the Bank's books at the lower of the preforeclosure loan balance or the projected market value.

The Hibernia Savings Bank, founded in 1912, is a state chartered, FDIC insured stock institution which offers a wide range of deposit and loan products. The Hibernia Savings Bank also features money market deposit accounts commercial and residential mortgages and consumer loans. The Main office of the Bank is located at 731 Hancock Street, Quincy. The Bank also has retail banking facilities located at 101 Federal Street, Boston, and at 51 Commercial Street, Braintree.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United Financial Banking Companies Inc.(TICKER: UFBC) reports earnings of $174,479, or $0.19 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $173,629, or $0.19 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Consolidated American Industries (TICKER: COAM) lost $341,700, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.28 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $698,791, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.50 million for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows TECHNALYSIS CORP. (TICKER: TECN) reports net earnings of $520,481, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $5.24 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $484,317, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $5.49 million in the same period a year ago.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Smithfield Companies Inc.(TICKER: HAMS) declared a net gain of $5,403, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $7.32 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $176,377, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $6.75 million for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Megatech Corp.(TICKER: MEGT) lost $11,810, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $400,644 for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $26,269, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $513,638 for the same period last year.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Viejo Bancorp (TICKER: VBMV) announcing a net gain of $399,869, or $0.15 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $512,600, or $0.18 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Central Realty Investors Inc.(TICKER: CMRT) lost $65,352, or $0.02 per

share, on revenues of $44,664 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $61,521, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $48,799 for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Harmonia Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: HBCI) earned $1.12 million, or $0.23 per share, in the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.11 million in the same period last year. Earnings per share for this period are not available.

Harmonia Bancorp's executive office is located at 1700 Galloping Hill Road, Kenilworth, NJ 07033 and its telephone number is (201) 241-8400.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Direct Pharmaceutical Corporation (TICKER: DPRX) earned $243,406 (including an extraordinary gain of $19,658 and a gain of $192,606 from discontinued operations), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.15 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $98,900, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.51 million for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Gateway Fed Corporation (TICKER: GATW) earned $708,000, or $0.36 per share, in the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a gain of $641,00, or $0.32 per share, in the same period last year.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Jason Inc.(TICKER: JASN) reported a net gain of $1.18 million, or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $31.04 million in the quarter ended June 29, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $1.10 million, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $27.52 million in the same period a year ago.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows NMR of America Inc.(TICKER: NMRR) gained $363,051 (including an extraordinary gain of $150,292), or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $4.02 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a gain of $284,014 (extraordinary gain of $119,344), or $0.06, on revenues of $3.74 million in the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Capital and Research Corp.(TICKER: ACRC) earned $2.76 million, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $131.99 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.68 million, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $108.53 million in the same period a year ago.

American Capital & Research Corp.'s executive office is located at 9300 Lee Highway, Fairfax, VA 22031-1207 and its telephone number is (703) 934-3600.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Workingmens Capital Holdings Inc.(TICKER: WCHI) reported its subsidiary, Workingmens Federal S&L Assn., earned $292,000 in the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares to a gain of $281,000 in the same quarter in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows VISX Inc.(TICKER: VISX) earned $497,947 or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $1.71 million for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $305,642, or $0.13 per share, on no revenues in the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Communications Group Inc. declared a net gain of $16,210, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.54 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $121,590, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.59 million for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Carolyn Bean Publishing Ltd.(TICKER: CBEN) lost $88,575, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $558,193 in the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $522,819, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $639,082 in the same period last year.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Oak Brook Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: FOBB) earned $723,000, or $0.60 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $642,000, or $0.53 per share, for the same quarter last year.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Stockholder Systems Inc.(TICKER: SSIA) earned $400,000, or $0.09 per share on revenues of $6.36 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $268,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $4.50 million for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Builders Transport Inc.(TICKER: TRUK) earned $1.13 million, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $62.99 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $568,000, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $59.69 million for the same period a year ago.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Perception Technology Corp.9(TICKER: PCEP) lost $629,569, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $4.60 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $459,474 (including an extraordinary gain of $110,000), or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $5.10 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0027 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 9) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Service Fracturing Company (TICKER: SERF) lost $233,222, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $3.45 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $391,536, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $3.25 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0028 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows KCS Group Inc.(TICKER: KCSG) reporting a net income of $495,000, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $16.3 million for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $998,000, or $0.55 per share, on revenues of $20.4 million for the same period a year ago.

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#90225c0029 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows National Bancshares Corp. earned $238.58 million, or $20.10 per share, in the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $31.23 million, or $2.63 per share, in the same reporting period in 1989.

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#90225c0030 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Gynex Inc.(TICKER: GYNX) lost $117,125, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2,040 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $779,189 (including an extraordinary gain of $285,000 and a gain on sale of joint venture interest of $900,000), or $0.10 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0031 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Decade's Monthly Income and Appreciation Fund lost $6,435, or $1.28 per limited partnership interest, on revenues of $103,799 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $40,243, or $7.34 per limited partnership interest, on revenues of $103,103 for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0032 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lincoln Telecommunications (TICKER: LTEC) reported second quarter income of $6.26 million, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $36.97 million.

This compares with income of $6.17 million, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $35.09 million for the same reporting period in 1989.

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#90225c0033 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Orbis Inc.(TICKER: ORBS) earned $48,700, or $0.01 per share, on no revenues in the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $102,310, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $185,569 for the same period last year.

Orbis reports it does not have any full time employees at the present time.

Orbis Inc. states it is continuing to solicit licensing arrangements for its software, joint venture or other vehicles to stabilize its financial condition and generate a revenue stream.

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#90225c0035 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Noven Pharmaceuticals Inc.(TICKER: NOVN) lost $355,448, or $0.03 per share on revenues of $35,751 in the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $103,552, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $26,186 in the same reporting period in 1989.

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#90225c0036 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Summcorp (TICKER: SMCR) earned $5.68 million, or $0.64 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $3.56 million, or $0.40 per share, for the same reporting period a year ago.

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#90225c0037 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Venturian Corp.(TICKER: VENT) earned $334,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $264,000), or $0.42 per share, on revenues of $8.52 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares to earnings of $18,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $9.15 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0038 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Builders Transport (TICKER: TRUK) reporting earnings of $1.13 million, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $62.99 million, for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $568,105, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $59.69 million for the same reporting period a year ago.

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#90225c0039 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Xtramedics Inc.(TICKER: XMED) reporting a second quarter loss of $166,018, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $695 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $422,078, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $946 for the same reporting period in 1989.

Xtramedics Inc. has been primarily engaged in the research, development and testing of its primary product, the Fresh 'n Fit Padette since its inception.

Xtramedics reports it began test marketing of the Padette in May, 1989, and accordingly is no longer in the development stage.

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#90225c0040 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Integrated Device Technology (TICKER: IDTI) reporting a gain of $260,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $49.09 million for the quarter ended July 1, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $5.21 million, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $51.57 million in the same reporting period last year.

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#90225c0041 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Federal Savings Bank of Perry (TICKER: FPRY) posted third quarter earnings of $219,549, or $0.34 per share, for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $132,499, or $0.21 per share, for the same period last year.

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#90225c0043 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Badger Paper Mills Inc.(TICKER: BPMI) earned $963,741, or $0.49 per share, on revenues of $19.50 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.20 million, or $0.61 per share, on revenues of $19.68 in the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0044 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Globesat Holding Corp.(TICKER: GSAT) reporting a loss of $397,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $172,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $341,209, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $186,756 for the same reporting period in 1989.

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#90225c0045 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Timberline Software Corp.(TICKER: TMBS) earned $139,747, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $3.17 million, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $148,873, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $2.56 million for the same reporting period in 1989.

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#90225c0046 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bala Realty Inc. reporting a second quarter net loss of $10,763, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $366,201.

This compares with a net loss of $9,211, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $328,521 for the same period last year.

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#90225c0047 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Cardiac Control Systems Inc.(TICKER: CCSC) lost $1.67 million, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $3.67 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $1.29 million, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $4.08 million for the previous fiscal year.

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#90225c0048 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:16 that trade in Brush Creek Mining & Development Co.(NASDAQ: BCMD) has been halted pending news. The last bid/ask was 1 7/16, 1 9/16. The company is located in Grass Valley, CA.

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#90225c0049 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:42 that trade in Archer Communications Inc.(NASDAQ: QSNDF) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 17 3/4. The company is located in Calgary, Alberta.

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#90225c0051 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:58 that trade in Brush Creek Mining & Development Co. (NASDAQ: BCMD) has been resumed. The first sale was 1 7/16; unchanged from the halt and from the previous close.

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#90225c0052 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Petrol Industries Inc.(TICKER: PTRL) lost $115,810, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $319,401 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $67,482, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $368,965 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 465
#90225c0053 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 28, 1990, the board of directors of Rally's Inc.(TICKER: RLLY) voted to change Rallys Inc.'s fiscal year end from the Sunday nearest to June 30 to the Sunday nearest to Dec. 31.

Rally's Inc. will file its transition report for the six months ended Dec. 30, 1990 on Form 10-K.

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#90225c0054 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Centennial Corp.(TICKER: FCLC) lost $205,096, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $94,134 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $75,151, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $807,592 for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0055 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows BNH Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: BNHB) earned $338,264, or $0.08 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $788,454, or $0.18 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0056 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Voit Corp.(TICKER: VOIT) lost $169,444, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $5.49 million for the quarter ended June 29, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $123,907, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $6.79 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 463
#90225c0057 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Package Machinery Co.(TICKER: PKGM) lost $7.77 million, or $7.25 per share on revenues of $9.10 million for the 10-week period ended June 24, 1990.

This compares with net income of $69,000, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $9.49 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0059 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Isramco Inc.(TICKER: ISRL) earned $58,506, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $387,403 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $40,756, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $310,044 for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0063 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Nowsco Well Service Ltd.(TICKER: NEWL) lost $546,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $45.12 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $225,000 ($642,000 loss from discontinued operations), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $37.85 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0064 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Osborn Communications Corp.(TICKER: OSBN) lost $386,869 (including an extraordinary gain of $947,670), or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $5.48

million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.26 million, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $4.64 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0065 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Summit Bancorporation (TICKER: SUBN) earned $8.98 million, or $0.44 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $10.65 million, or $0.52 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0066 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Micropolis Corp.(TICKER: MLIS) earned $2.36 million, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $97.34 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $10.63 million, or $0.92 per share, on revenues of $79.28 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0067 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Uni-Marts Inc.(TICKER: UNMA) earned $447,232, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $61.84 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $308,884, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $57.93 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0068 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Electronic Tele-Communications Inc.(TICKER: ETCI) earned $141,802, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $3.13 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $172,581, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $2.90 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0070 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows TV Communications Network Inc. lost $100,582, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $10,681 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $97,253, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $6,525 for the same period in 1989.

TV Communications Network Inc.is a development stage firm currently operating a 12-TV channel station in metro Denver and has completed the construction of three more channels.

TV Communications Network Inc.'s executive office is located at 10020 E. Girard Ave., Suite 300, Denver, Colorado 80231 and its telephone number is (303) 751-2900.

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#90225c0071 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows National Penn Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: NPBC) earned $2.34 million, or $0.88 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.13 million, or $0.80 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0072 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Gendex Corp.(TICKER: XRAY) earned $714,000, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $7.78 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $537,000, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $7.26 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0073 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Long Island City Financial Corp.(TICKER: LICF) earned $1.08 million, or $0.39 per share, in the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.06 million, or $0.39 per share, in the same period a year ago.

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#90225c0074 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Micrografx Inc.(TICKER: AGXI) reporting earnings of $641,216, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $5.39 million for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $271,793, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $3.92 million in the same period in 1989.

Micrografx develops, markets and supports a line of personal computer graphics applications and system software products for IBM personal computers and compatibles running under the Microsoft Windows operating environment.

Micrografax's executive offices are located at 1303 Arapaho, Richardson, TX 75081.

The telephone number is (214) 234-1769.

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#90225c0075 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Kings Road Entertainment (TICKER: KREN) lost $687,833 (including an extraordinary gain of $365,211), or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $30.94 million for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $4.77 million, or $0.94 per share, on revenues of $20.52 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90225c0076 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows EMC Insurance (TICKER: EMCI) gained $2.41 million, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $32.97 million in the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a gain of $1.98, or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $30.66 million in the same quarter in 1989.

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#90225c0078 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pentech Intl. Inc.(TICKER: PNTK) earned $1.79 million, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $12.74 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $1.38 million, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $10.01 million for the same reporting period a year ago.

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#90225c0079 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Civic Bancorp (TICKER: CIVC) earned $743,000, or $0.30 per share, for the quarter that ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $460,000, or $0.24 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0080 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Wavetech Inc.(TICKER: WAVE) lost $2,217, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $346,723 for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $166,568 (including a loss of $88,841 from discontinued operations), or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $311,402 for the corresponding period in 1989.

-30- 519
#90225c0081 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Telebyte Technology (TICKER: TBTI) lost $5,012 on revenues of $742,761 for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $6,884 on revenues of $806,011 for the same period in 1989.

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#90225c0082 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY M.F. HULMAN OWNS 2,162,750 SHARES (15.80%) OF INDIANA ENERGY INC (TICKER: IEI) OF INDIANAPOLIS, IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 31, 1990, as part of a tax-free reorganization, Indiana Gas & Chemical Corp. transferred all the common shares of Terre Haute Gas Corp. to Indiana Energy Inc. in exchange for 1,819,123 IEI common shares and $5,153,715 in cash. Ten percent of the IEI shares and cash received by IGCC

was placed in escrow for two years to provide for certain contingencies pursuant to an escrow agreement dated July 31, 1990. As part of the reorganization, IGCC adopted a plan of complete liquidation and dissolution causing it to distribute 1.4 million EIE shares and the rights of the escrowed shares to its shareholders, which include certain of the filers. Also on July 31, 1990, IEI Acquisition Corp., a subsidiary of the issuer, was merged with and into Richmond Gas Corp., with each RGC share acquired for $181 per share or IEI shares, based upon $20.20 per IEI share. Ten percent of the consideration received by shareholders of RGC was placed in escrow for two years pursuant to an escrow agreement also dated July 31, 1990. Certain of M.F. Hulman receiving her shares from the merger. In the aggregate, 1,964,922 shares were acquired in the two transactions by M.F. Hulman. As a condition of the transactions, each of M.F. Hulman has entered into a standstill agreement limiting their purchase, sale or transfer of shares of Indiana Energy Inc. until either ten years pass or the group owns less than 5 percent of the outstanding shares.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90225c0083 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

KENNECOTT EXPLORATION CO OWNS 5,267,800 SHARES (53.70%) OF FISCHER-WATT GOLD CO INC OF SPARKS, NV.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Kennecott Exploration Co. acquired 1,333,500 shares for $1,999,500 and voting control of an additional 3,934,300 shares pursuant to a voting agreement made with certain major shareholders of Fischer-Watt Gold Co Inc.

PURPOSE:

To obtain the expertise of Fischer-Watt Gold Co. Inc.'s personnel in locating valuable mineral properties.

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#90225c0084 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

W. FARLEY OWNS 15,532,212 SHARES (25.20%) OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC (TICKER: FTL).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

W. Farley sold 360,500 shares from June 13 to July 26, 1990 for $12 to $13.63 per share.

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#90225c0086 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

C. WILSON III OWNS 150,000 SHARES (3.20%) OF RADYNE CORP (TICKER: RADN) OF BOHEMIA, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

During the periods of May 24 to June 6, 1990 and July 9 to July 17, 1990, Mr. Wilson sold 100,000 shares and 80,000 shares of common stock at prices averaging $.75 and $.62 per share, respectively.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90225c0087 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CENTENNIAL ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 166,500 SHARES (5.71%) OF PROGRESSIVE BANK INC (TICKER: PSBK) OF PAWLING, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 2 and 3, 1990, Centennial Associates LP purchased 95,000 shares at a price of $5.38 to $5.59.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90225c0088 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

J. FALKENSTEIN OF PASSAIC, NJ OWNS 143,900 SHARES (10.20%) OF GENERAL MICROWAVE CORP (TICKER: GMW) OF AMITYVILLE, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The funds used to make the above purchases were from personal accounts and no loans were taken.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On an unspecified dated, J. Falkenstein purchased 10,100 shares for an aggregate purchase price of $860,400.05.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 632
#90225c0089 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J. ZUCKER OWNS 220,945 SHARES (10.50%) OF SOUTH CAROLINA FEDERAL CORP

(TICKER: SCFB) OF COLUMBIA, SC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J. Zucker is currently considering the purchase of additional shares based on prospective performance.

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#90225c0090 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

W R GRACE & CO OWNS 2,032,920 SHARES (35.66%) OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CORP (TICKER: CANO) OF PORTER, IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In July 1990, the stock option agreement and the option were terminated.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 11, 1990 and Aug. 6, 1990, W.R. Grace purchased 74,500 shares at a price of $10.13 to $11.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Agreement and option termination.

-30- 614
#90225c0091 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 13) COMTEX - North Canton, Ohio-based Belden & Blake Energy Co.(TICKER: BBE) has acquired all the assets of 15 oil and gas limited partnerships for an undisclosed price.

The partnerships own an interest in 196 oil and gas wells in southern Ohio, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 10, 1990

-30- 563
#90225c0092 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The New York and Pacific stock exchanges have moved to delist the stock of Imperial Corp. of America, the San Diego, Calif., thrift and mortgage banker that was taken over by the Office of Thrift Supervision earlier this year.

The NYSE action became effective July 19, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 10, 1990

-30- 606
#90225c0094 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 13) COMTEX - San Diego, Calif.-based California Jamar Inc.(TICKER: JMAR) has agreed to acquire Rocky Mountain Instrument Inc., a Longmont, Colo. -based maker of precision-laser optical components and coatings.

Rocky Mountain will be acquired in exchange for 525,000 California Jamar common shares and an incentive earnout under which Rocky Mountain's shareholders could receive up to another 650,000 shares based on future earnings, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 10, 1990

-30- 760
#90225c0095 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 13) COMTEX - Refrigeration compressors Whirlpool International B.V., a 53 percent owned unit of Whirlpool Corp.(TICKER: WHR), has acquired the remainder of Aspera S.r.I. through the purchase of a 35 percent interest from a subsidiary of Fiat S.p.A. for $95 million.

Aspera is an Italian manufacturer and marketer of compressors for refrigerators, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 10, 1990

-30- 677
#90225c0096 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 13) COMTEX - Santa Ana, Calif.-based EECO Inc. (TICKER: EEC) has sold its Maxi-Switch computer keyboard manufacturing

division to Maxi-Switch Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Silitek Corp., for $1.2 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The sale was approved by a U.S. bankruptcy court.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 10, 1990

-30- 574

#90225c0097 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 13) COMTEX - Valcom Inc.(TICKER: VLCM), a subsidiary of Omaha, Neb.-based Valmont Industries Inc., has acquired almost all of the assets of the computer division of Lancaster, Pa.-based, The Office Works Inc.

Valcom paid $7 million in cash and 100,083 Valcom common shares, and assumed $5 million in liabilities.

An additional $500,000 to $1 million will be paid within 30 days after the closing of the deal, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 10, 1990

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#90225c0098 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 13) COMTEX - Tustin Health Group Inc., a subsidiary of Concept Health Group Inc., has acquired almost all of the assets of Healthcare Medical Center of Tustin, a 203-bed acute care hospital and medical complex in Tustin, Calif.

The purchase price for the hospital was the assumption of liabilities not in excess of $2.5 million.

Because the assumed liabilities exceeded the book value of the inventory and prepaid expenses, the sellers, Healthcare Tustin Inc., Tustin Medical Office Building Inc. and Physicians' Office Services Inc., paid the buyers a $162,660 note, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

In addition, Tustin Health Group has agreed to buy the property on which the hospital is located for $40.2 million.

The $162,660 note from the seller to the buyer is only exercisable if the property sale is completed.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 10, 1990

-30- 1123
#90225c0099 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 13) COMTEX - A Florida federal judge has set a January, 7, 1991 trial date for charges of mail fraud, conspiracy and other offenses against General Development Corp.(TICKER: GDV) following the collapse of settlement negotiations with the Miami, Fla., home builder.

General Development, its GDV Financial Corp. mortgage-banking unit, and two of its ex-officers, former President Robert Ehrling and former Chairman David Brown, were charged in a 16-count indictment involving General Development Corp.'s sale and pricing practices in its nine Florida developments, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The financially troubled company filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings earlier this year after the charges were brought by the government.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 10, 1990

-30- 1029
#90225c0100 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:02 that trade in W. Bell & Co.(NASDAQ: BLLW) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 1/2. The company is located in Rockville, MD.

-30- 330
#90225c0102 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY THE P. FREDERICK BRONFMAN TRUST OWNS 26,533,929 SHARES (60.80%) OF NORCEN ENERGY RESOURCES LTD (TICKER: NCN) OF CALGARY, ALBERTA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 23, 1990, Noranda purchased $250,000,000 in 8 percent convertible subordinated debentures of Norwest Oil & Gas Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Norcen Energy Resources LTD, from Westmin Resources Ltd. in exchange for issuing to Westmin 12.5 million preferred shares, series E, convertible into 12.5 million Noranda common shares. The debentures are

convertible into second preferred shares, series 1 or 2 of Norwest. Pursuant to a debenture exchange agreement dated Nov. 30, 1989, to which Noranda became a party on July 23, 1990, the Norwest shares upon conversion must be exchanged with Norcen Energy Resources LTD for either 10 million common shares or Norcen 8 percent convertible subordinated debentures, series C, which are convertible into 10 million common shares.

-30- 1162
#90225c0103 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

AMERICAN SCREEN CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 434,620 SHARES (14.80%) OF TVC IMAGE TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: TVCI) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

American Screen Co. purchased 80,000 shares for at an undisclosed price and time.

-30- 447
#90225c0104 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY JMB REALTY OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 643,425 SHARES (16.20%) OF ANGELES CORP (TICKER: ANG) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 31, 1990, JMB Reality acquired the assets of the QEP Trust upon their distribution by the Trust. On July 23, 1990, an agreement between JMB and Angeles Corp. caused Angeles Corp. to become the primary obligor on debentures of Quinoco Resources Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Angeles Corp., by the agreement of Angeles Corp. to effect a merger of QRI with and into Angeles Corp., raised the interest rate under the debentures modified certain terms of the preferred stock, and granted Angeles Corp. an option to acquire the securities held by JMB Reality.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 948
#90225c0105 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY C.Y. PALITZ JR OWNS 295,100 SHARES (7.55%) OF CENVEST INC (TICKER: CBCT) OF MERIDEN, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

C.Y. Palitz Jr. purchased 150,000 shares on Aug. 2, 1990 for $4.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 448
#90225c0106 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY WILLOWWOOD PARTNERS LP OWNS 717,300 SHARES (6.10%) OF LOMAS & NETTLETON MTG INVESTORS (TICKER: LOM) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Willowwood Partners LP purchased 574,600 shares from May 8 to Aug. 8, 1990 for $2.69 to $4.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 516
#90225c0107 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY BAUPOST L P 1983 A-1 OF CAMBRIDGE, MA OWNS 109,600 SHARES (5.10%) OF MASSBANK CORP (TICKER: MASB) OF READING, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Baupost LP 1983 A-1 purchased 125,600 shares from July 26-31, 1990 for $14.38 to $14.52 per share and sold 14,800 shares for on July 31, 1990 for $14.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 569
#90225c0108 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GABELLI GROUP INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 6,040,983 SHARES (5.08%) OF PARAMOUNT COMMUNICATIONS INC (TICKER: PCI).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From June 7 to Aug. 6, 1990, Gabelli Group Inc. purchased 1,185,800 shares and sold 70,967 shares for $35.50 to $28.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 529
#90225c0110 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a letter to Healthco Intl Inc.(TICKER: HLCO), Gemini Partners LP stated that Healthco Intl. Inc.'s activities surrounding the release of information concerning the upcoming shareholder meeting reflects a "curious view of shareholder democracy."

PURPOSE:

Letter to Healthco Intl. Inc.

-30- 526
#90225c0111 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 25

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Unitil Corp. (TICKER: UTL) has distributed a quarterly interim report to shareholders.

-30- 294
#90225c0112 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 45

AGIA INC OWNS 236,075 SHARES (5.80%) OF DESOTO INC (TICKER: DSO) OF DES PLAINES, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Agia Inc. acquired its 236,075 shares from FP Partners on July 31, 1990 for $47 per share. FP will no long be considered a filing party. FP also transferred all shares in Sutton Holding Corp. to Agia.

-30- 492
#90225c0113 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 7, 1990, Ameriscribe Corp.(TICKER: ACR) completed funding under a secured credit agreement concerning a $40 million facility to provide refinancing of substantially all Ameriscribe Corp.'s financial obligations. In connection with the refinancing, Int'l Financial Group of Nevada Inc. has agreed to restrict the sale of its shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 23, 1990, Int'l Financial Group of Nevada Inc. exercised its warrant to purchase 750,000 for $4.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Credit funding of Ameriscribe Corp. and purchase of shares.

-30- 783
#90225c0114 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY E.J. DEBARTOLO CORP OWNS 2,186,587 SHARES (20.90%) OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC (TICKER: BOSIF) OF VICTORIA, CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On August 9, 1990, DeBartolo Jr., York, each of Trusts Nos. 5-7, each of Trusts Nos. 8-11 and Moses entered into a stock purchase agreement, dated as of July 26, 1990, with Dittmer, Edmunds and Swaykoski pursuant to which they purchased 375,000 shares and wherein each of the purchasers entered into a shareholders agreement, dated Aug. 9, 1990, with Dittmer, Edmunds and Swaykoski regarding the voting of shares held by such purchasers. With the exception of Moses, each filer borrowed funds from DeBartolo Sr., evidenced by demand promissory notes. The beneficially-owned shares include 70,000 shares earned by EJDC under the Kiosk agreement but which have not yet been issued, and 187,500 shares which may be acquired upon exercise of warrants.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 9, 1990, DeBartolo Jr., York, each of Trusts Nos. 5-7, each of Trusts Nos. 8-11 and Moses each purchased 37,500 shares each at the price of U.S. $2 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1333
#90225c0115 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 23

GROUP LED BY GIRARD PARTNERS LP OWNS 3,773,812 SHARES (10.70%) OF PIC N SAVE CORP (TICKER: PICN) OF DOMINGUEZ, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 9, 1990, Pic'n'Save Corp. and the Partnership, DHB Partners, Batchelder Co., Batchelder & Partners Inc. and David H. Batchelder entered into a settlement agreement pursuant to which, Pic'n'Save Corp.'s board now consist of David H. Batchelder, James J. Zehentbauer, Bill M. Thomas, Peter Willmott, Arthur Frankel, Lewis B. Merrifield III, Ronald P. Spogli and Bruce E. Karatz; Pic'n'Save Corp. will redeem its poison pill preferred share repurchase rights and recommend to stockholders the amendment of Pic'n'Save Corp.'s by-laws to elect that Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law not apply to Pic'n'Save Corp.; all of the members of the newly reconstituted board will be nominated for reelection by Pic'n'Save Corp. at the Aug. 29, 1990 annual meeting and the parties to the settlement agreement will vote in favor of such nominees; the

Partnership has agreed to not solicit proxies or consents until 60 days prior to the 1991 annual meeting, to be held in May 1990; Mr. Batchelder will be a member of all current and future board committees, including the search committee to find a new CEO; the Partnership, Pic'n' Save Corp. and related parties will not encourage, initiate or join any litigation against each other; and Mr. Merrifield will resign.

PURPOSE:

Settlement agreement.

-30- 1671
#90225c0116 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY BMI HOLDING CORP OWNS 752,620 SHARES (25.10%) OF BLYTH HOLDINGS INC (TICKER: BLYH) OF FOSTER CITY, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Holding received 150,000 shares of common stock as a fee for the recent private placement of up to $2,000,000 of a new class of Blythe Holdings Inc. series A convertible redeemable preferred stock, on an undisclosed date.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 1, 1990, BMI Holding corp. acquired 125,000 preferred shares (convertible into 125,000 shares of common stock) for $250,000.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 762
#90225c0118 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

BGC SPECIAL EQUITY LP OWNS 204,263 CLASS A SHARES (14.30%) OF KENTUCKY MEDICAL INSURANCE CO (TICKER: KYMD) OF LOUISVILLE, KY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The class A common stock of Kentucky Medical Insurance Co. has only limited voting rights (holders of class A common stock can elect only three of twelve directors).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 12, 1990 and Aug. 2, 1990, BGC Special Equity LP purchased 204,263 shares at a price of $18.38 to $22.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 706
#90225c0119 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GLOBAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES LTD OWNS 7,555,318 SHARES (54.40%) OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: NPSI) OF SANTA CLARA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The 2,142,857 shares of Networked Picture Systems Inc.'s common stock purchased by GFR on Aug. 7, 1990 are subject to a redemption agreement, whereby, if, before Sept. 6, 1990, any other third party(ies) purchase at least $150,000 of Networked Picture Systems Inc.'s common stock from Networked Picture Systems Inc. for more than $.07 per share, GFR will return to Networked Picture Systems Inc. the number of shares equal to the difference between 2,142,847 and the amount of shares purchased by those third parties for $150,000. Should the above stated occur, GFR's voting interest in Networked Picture Systems Inc. would fall below 50 percent.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 12, 1990 and Aug. 7, 1990, Global Financial Resources LTD purchased 2,247,857 shares at a price of $.07 per share.

-30- 1176
#90225c0120 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

IMETAL OWNS 5,757,216 SHARES (100.00%) OF COPPERWELD CORP (TICKER: COS) OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On August 1, 1990, the merger of Copperweld Acquisition Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Imetal, with and into Copperweld Corp. contemplated by the agreement and plan of merger, dated as of March 28, 1990, among Acquisition, Imetal and Copperweld Corp. became effective upon the filing with the secretary of state of the state of Delaware of a certificate of merger of acquisition into Copperweld Corp. Each share of Copperweld Corp. was purchased under the offer for $17 per share.

PURPOSE:

Merger.

-30- 823
#90225c0121 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:10 that trade of preferred issue in Weyerhaeuser Co. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol WY.

-30- 329
#90225c0122 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Xedar Corp. lost $12,413, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $46,518 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $35,988, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $35,503 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 426
#90225c0123 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Interneuron Pharmaceuticals Inc. lost $695,742, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $243,681 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $167,411, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of

$179 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 463

#90225c0124 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Advanced NMR Systems Inc. lost $778,541, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $64,155 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $425,896, or $0.03 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

The company is a development stage enterprise organized to engage in the business of research and development of MRI systems for use in clinical and research applications which are intended to combine instant imaging and its applications with conventional scanning.

-30- 718

#90225c0126 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Office Products of America Inc. lost $1.11 million, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $1.76 million for the quarter ended July 1, 1990.

Comparitive figures for the same period of last year are unavailable.

-30- 436

#90225c0127 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Pioneer Group Inc. earned $3.74 million, or $0.61 per share, on revenues of $15.62 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $3.59 million, or $0.59 per share, on revenues of $15.18 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 475

#90225c0128 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pinnacle Banc Group Inc. earned $2.77 million, or $0.75 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.16 million, or $0.63 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 423

#90225c0129 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Holiday-Gulf Homes Inc. earned $18,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $64,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $10,554, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $61,166 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 451

#90225c0130 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Continental Connector Industries Inc. earned $58,970, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $2.94 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $59,627, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $3 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 487

#90225c0131 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Presidential Life Corp. earned $14.61 million, or $0.51 per share, on revenues of $87.45 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $10.18 million, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $78.01 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 485

#90225c0132 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Ventnor Corp. lost $22,031, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $1,450 for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $82,777, or $0.01 per share, on no revenues in fiscal 1990.

In Dec. 1989, the company purchased its U.S. patent covering the disposable chamber and its U.S. application covering the partable chamber from Phillip E. Loori. Both the disposable chamber and the portable chamber are hyperbaric chambers that deliver pure oxygen under pressure to the surface of the skin in order to promote the healing of certain types of open wounds and pressure (bed) sores.

The company's common stock is traded in the "pink sheet" and its executive office is located at 1825 Lawrence Street, Suite 444, Denver, Colorado 80202. Its telephone number is (303) 224-5300.

-30- 1020
#90225c0134 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Toxxic Control Inc.(TICKER: ATCX) earned $133,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $6.63 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $524,000, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $5.69 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 502
#90225c0135 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Alco International Group Inc.(TICKER: ALIG) lost $193,153, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $834,192 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $107,673, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $766,462 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 476
#90225c0136 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows New London Inc. (TICKER: NLON) lost $184,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $9.91 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $158,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $5.79 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 466
#90225c0137 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Universal Medical Buildings,(TICKER: UMB) LP lost $1.32 million, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $22.83 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $238,143, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $20.25 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 509
#90225c0138 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows DTI Medical Corp. (TICKER: DTIM) lost $496,894, or $0.06 per share, on revenues

of $152, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $69,592, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $604,352 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 451

#90225c0139 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United New Mexico Financial Corp.(TICKER: BNKS) earned $1.43 million, or $0.33 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.32 million, or $0.31 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 455

#90225c0140 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Shelby Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: SHLB) earned $351,421, or $0.44 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $125,865, or $0.16 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 442

#90225c0142 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ceco Filters Inc. earned $10,249, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $728,257 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $83,405, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $861,032 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 452

#90225c0143 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mizlou Communications Co. Inc.(TICKER:MZLU) lost $5.30 million, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $283,067 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $746,886, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $238,959 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 482

#90225c0144 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows I-Flow Corp.(TICKER: IFLO) lost $707,975, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $52,397 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $401,259, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $29,167 for the same period in 1989.

I-FLow Corp. is a development stage firm which completed its initial public offering on Feb. 1, 1990.

-30- 546

#90225c0145 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:19 that trade in First Essex Bancorp (NASDAQ: FESX) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 3/4. The company is located in Lawrence, MA.

-30- 342

#90225c0146 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY V. ZACCAGLIN OF LOS ANGELES, CA OWNS 1,766,226 SHARES (36.60%) OF CALPROP CORP (TICKER: CPP) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

V. Zaccaglin purchased 3,000 shares on July 31, 1990 for $18,997.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 450

#90225c0147 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

M.B. KOSOFSKY OWNS 700,000 SHARES (7.01%) OF JACOR COMMUNICATIONS INC (TICKER: JCOR) OF CINCINNATI, OH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

M.B. Kosofsky purchased 200,000 shares from July 17 to Aug. 10, 1990 for $2.44 to $3.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 473
#90225c0148 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a stock redemption agreement dated Sept. 21, 1989, Computer Telephone Corp.(TICKER: CPTL) purchased 252,000 shares from Amoskeag Bank for $1.31 per share in July, 1990.

-30- 414
#90225c0150 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY SBSF HEARTLAND INC OWNS 302,082 SHARES (14.10%) OF HEARTLAND PARTNERS LP (TICKER: HTL) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

SBSF Heartland Inc. acquired 302,082 shares on June 29, 1990 upon the distribution of the shares as a dividend to holders of outstanding shares of Chicago Milwaukee Corp. Heartland Inc. was formed to hold such shares.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 596
#90225c0151 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY N.J. WEISMAN OF WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ OWN 396,950 SHARES (21.00%) OF GENERAL SCIENCES CORP Y (TICKER: GSCX) OF LAUREL, MD.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between March 30, 1990 and Aug. 13, 1990, N.J. Weisman purchased 30,000 shares at a purchase price of $5 to $6.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 524
#90225c0152 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

MERCURY ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC OWNS 1,520,000 SHARES (10.80%) OF ICO INC (TICKER: ICOC) OF FT WORTH, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 6 and July 30, 1990, Mercury Asset Management PLC purchased 180,000 shares at a price of $3.02 to $3.13 per share and sold 20,000 shares at a price of $2.98 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 550

#90225c0153 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M. TIFFANY OF 1551 WEST LONG AVE, LITTLETON, CO 80120, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,500 SHARES OF PARAGON COOLERS INC. THROUGH RAF FINANCIAL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 7, 1990.

(PARAGON COOLERS INC. TEL: 509 663-1733)

-30- 402
#90225c0154 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.E. AIKEN OF 1424 ARRINGTON CT, 0, STILLWATER, OK 74075, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF TIME MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE INC.(TICKER: TMMS) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 7, 1990.

(TIME MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 405 377-0880)

-30- 445
#90225c0155 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - Y. RON OF 128 WETHERRILL RD, CHELTENHAM, PA 19012, HAS FILED TO SELL 56,902 SHARES OF DATA MEDICAL CLINICAL SUPPORT SERVICES THROUGH SHERMAN FITZPATRICK. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 7, 1990.

(DATA MEDICAL CLINICAL SUPPORT SE TEL: 612 378-3053)

-30- 448
#90225c0156 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L.M. BRAUN OF 1850 WEST GIRAD AVE, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80110, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF PARAGON COOLERS INC. THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 7, 1990.

(PARAGON COOLERS INC. TEL: 509 663-1733)

-30- 397
#90225c0158 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.E. FITZ-GERALD OF 158 TRINIDAD DR, TIBURON, CA 94920, HAS FILED TO SELL 47,000 SHARES OF BELMAC CORP. (TICKER: BEMC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 9, 1990.

(BELMAC CORP. TEL: 813 577-1255)

-30- 396
#90225c0159 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.S. POLLEY OF 4904 SPYGLASS, DALLAS, TX 75252, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF INTELLICALL INC. (TICKER: INCL) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 9, 1990.

(INTELLICALL INC. TEL: 214 416-0022)

-30- 396
#90225c0160 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. SCHECTER OF 3600 WOODSIDE, LOUISVILLE, KY 40222, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 CLASS B SHARES OF GLENMORE DISTILLERS CO. (TICKER: GDS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 10, 1990.

(GLENMORE DISTILLERIES CO. TEL: 502 589-0130)

-30- 432
#90225c0161 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.M. FINKLE OF 117 A.A.B.C., SUITE 210, ASPEN, CO 81611, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,000 SHARES OF COLLEGE BOUND INC. (TICKER: CLBD) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 8, 1990.

(COLLEGE BOUND INC. TEL: 305 587-9110)

-30- 406
#90225c0162 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDERSON WILLIAM P TRUST OF 541 MAIN ST STE 410, SOUTH WEYMOUTH, MA 02190, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,186 SHARES OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO. (TICKER: SDEV) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 9, 1990.

(SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO. TEL: 617 337-0877)

-30- 466
#90225c0163 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Raritan Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: RARB) earned $432,000, or $0.38 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $412,000, or $0.36 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 416
#90225c0164 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SMITH LAURENCE A TRUSTTEES OF P O BOX 5062, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85261, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF BROKEN ARROW PETROLEUM CO.(TICKER: BAPT) THROUGH AMERICAN AEGIS SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 8, 1990.

(BROKEN ARROW PETROLEUM CO. TEL: 602 483-0522)

-30- 462
#90225c0166 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B. NAGELBERG OF 771 BIRCHWOOD DR, WYCKOFF, NJ 07481, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,432 SHARES OF DIRECT CONNECT INTL INC. (TICKER: KIDZ) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL- BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 8, 1990.

(DIRECT CONNECT INTL INC. TEL: 201 445-2101)

-30- 428
#90225c0167 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.E. ONEIL OF 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA, SUITE 4515, NEW YORK, NY 10112, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF COLLEGE BOUND INC. (TICKER: CLBD) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 8, 1990.

(COLLEGE BOUND INC. TEL: 305 587-9110)

-30- 414
#90225c0168 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows CB Financial Corp. (TICKER: CBTF) earned $1.63 million, or $0.58 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.63 million, or $0.57 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 425
#90225c0169 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Walshire Assurance Co. (TICKER: WALS) earned $957,986, or $0.44 per share, on revenues of $4.58 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $652,122, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $3.93 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480
#90225c0170 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Jefferies Group Inc.(TICKER: JEFG) earned $2.74 million, or $0.45 per share, on revenues of $45.73 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.39 million, or $0.38 per share, on revenues of $35.02 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 491
#90225c0171 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows National Properties Corp.(TICKER: NAPE) earned $139,262, or $0.27 per share, on revenues of $520,166 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $148,937, or $0.27 per share, on revenues of $526,373 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 474
#90225c0172 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Dento-Med Industries Inc.(TICKER: DTMD) lost $257,919, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $33,245 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $274,517, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $37,194 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 474
#90225c0174 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Artech Recovery Systems Inc.(TICKER: ARTK) lost $235,337, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $29,577 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $178,237, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $37,350 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 482
#90225c0175 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHANNA R ROSENFIELD OF 3525 EAST EUCLID AVE, EUCLID AVE, CO 80121, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES L (TICKER: CPRK) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES L TEL: 303 721-7200)

-30- 474
#90225c0176 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRENT R ROSENFIELD OF 3525 EAST EUCLID AVE, LITTLETON, CO 80121, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES L (TICKER: CPRK) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES L TEL: 303 721-7200)

-30- 472
#90225c0177 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER T YOUNG OF 17333 LAFAYETTE DRIVE, OBEY, MD 20832, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF BIOSPHERICS INC. (TICKER: BINC) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(BIOSPHERICS INC. TEL: 301 369-3900)

-30- 405

#90225c0178 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARIAN K PATRICK OF 1611 UNIVERSITY AVE, SARAMENTO, CA 95825, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CASCADE IMPORTERS INC. (TICKER: KOSM) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(CASCADE IMPORTERS INC. TEL: 407 338-8278)

-30- 433
#90225c0179 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD S RICHARDS OF 302 CYRIL LANE, RICHMOND, VA 23229, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF HERITAGE MEDIA CORP. (TICKER: HTG) THROUGH BHC SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(HERITAGE MEDIA CORP. TEL: 214 702-7380)

-30- 413
#90225c0180 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAY A LEGER OF 1450 MARSHALL RD, BOULDER, CO 80303, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN TOXXIC CONTROL INC. (TICKER: ATCX) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(AMERICAN TOXXIC CONTROL INC. TEL: 213 698-9414)

-30- 432
#90225c0182 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACQUELINE TERKEN OF 1787 EAST FORT UNION BLVD, SUITE 108, SAT LAKE CITY, UT 84121, HAS FILED TO SELL 38,667 SHARES OF DTI MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: DTIM) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(DTI MEDICAL CORP. TEL: 801 942-0592)

-30- 438
#90225c0183 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SANFORD KAPLAN OF 10433 WILSHIRE BLVD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90024, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,000 SHARES OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC) THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(INTEL CORP. TEL: 408 765-8080)

-30- 384
#90225c0184 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD M WOMACK OF 4066 CHANCERY COURT NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20007, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,322 SHARES OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG) THROUGH BHC SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. TEL: 513 983-1100)

-30- 420
#90225c0185 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILIP D JOHNSTON OF 4012 SUGAR MAPLE, DANVILLE, CA 94526, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF OCTEL COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: OCTL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(OCTEL COMMUNICATIONS CORP. TEL: 408 942-6500)

-30- 437
#90225c0186 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARLY GENTRY OF 9624 NW 7TH CIRCLE, APT 15-22, PLANTATION, FL 33324, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HOMG) THROUGH J C BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. TEL: 305 983-0350)

-30- 432
#90225c0187 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JFP HOLDINGS LP OF 201 EAST FIFTH ST, 1300 CENTRAL TRUST TOWER, CINCINNATI, OH 45202, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF JACOR

COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: JCOR) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(JACOR COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 513 621-1300)

-30- 469
#90225c0188 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B J CASSIN OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG 3 / STE 210, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 415 777-0477)

-30- 455
#90225c0190 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL M CLAIR OF 501 E MIDDLEFIELD RD, MT VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 450
#90225c0191 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MONTGOMERY MEDICAL VENTURES LP OF 600 MONTGOMERY ST, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111, HAS FILED TO SELL 168,704 SHARES OF MEDSTONE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MSHK) THROUGH INTERSTATE JOHNSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(MEDSTONE INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 714 587-0500)

-30- 475
#90225c0192 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM K CARTER JR OF 909 E MAIN ST, RICHMOND, VA 23219, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW FINANCIAL I (TICKER: SCOT)

THROUGH SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09 1990.

(SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW FINANCIAL I TEL: 804 643-1811)

-30- 463
#90225c0193 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INA SIEGEL OF 41 TWEED BLVD, NYACK, NY 10960, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ALFACELL CORP. (TICKER: ACEL) THROUGH G M S INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(ALFACELL CORP. TEL: 201 748-8082)

-30- 376
#90225c0194 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM T CAPERS OF 315 E COLORADO BLVD, PASADENA, CA 91101, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF WESCO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WSC) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(WESCO FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 818 684-1500)

-30- 425
#90225c0195 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM P FLIES OF 138 BIRNAMWOOD DR, BURNSVILLE, MN 55337, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF DATAKEY INC. (TICKER: DKEY) THROUGH VOLPE WELTY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(DATAKEY INC. TEL: 612 890-6850)

-30- 395
#90225c0196 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COPLEY PARTNERS I LP OF 600 ALTANTIC AVE, 13TH FLOOR, BOSTON, MA 02210, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,727 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1980)

-30- 470
#90225c0198 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK SILVERMAN OF 2420 PLAZA DEL GRANDE, LAS VEGAS, NV 89102, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,500 SHARES OF RENTRAK CORP. (TICKER: RENT) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(RENTRAK CORP. TEL: 503 284-7581)

-30- 408
#90225c0199 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLEN SIEGEL OF 41 TWEED BLVD, NYACK, NY 10960, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ALFACELL CORP. (TICKER: ACEL) THROUGH G M S INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(ALFACELL CORP. TEL: 201 748-8082)

-30- 380
#90225c0200 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL S KAHN OF 14 EAST 60TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10000, HAS FILED TO SELL 90,262 SHARES OF TELECOM-USA INC. (TICKER: TTT) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(TELECOM-USA INC. TEL: 404 250-5700)

-30- 405
#90225c0201 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD R JANSSEN OF 31416 WEST AGOURA RD, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91361, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 818 706-8989)

-30- 462
#90225c0202 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERIN E MACDONALD OF 8117 BAY HARBOR DR, LAS VEGAS, NV 89128, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,677 SHARES OF SIERRA HEALTH SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SIE) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09 1990.

(SIERRA HEALTH SERVICES INC. TEL: 702 646-8100)

-30- 440
#90225c0203 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RODNEY C PERKINS OF 801 WELCH RD, PALO ALTO, CA 94304, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(LASERSCOPE TEL: 408 943-0636)

-30- 392
#90225c0204 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ABBOTT LIVING TRUST OF 1220 CHARLESTON RD, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

-30- 413
#90225c0206 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MCDONNELL SANFORD N TRUST OF P O BOX 516, ST LOUIS, MO 63166, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. TEL: 314 232-0232)

-30- 437
#90225c0207 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEROY H GUTKNECHT OF 5673 ANNIE OAKLEY, LAS VEGAS, NV 89120, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,500 SHARES OF UNITED GAMING INC. (TICKER: UGAM) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(UNITED GAMING INC. TEL: 702 435-4200)

-30- 418
#90225c0208 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WIATT 1982 REVOCABLE TRUST OF 7245 D GARDEN GROVE BLVD, GARDEN GROVE CA 92641, HAS FILED TO SELL 156,587 SHARES OF SECURITY ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS I (TICKER: SENV) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(SECURITY ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS I TEL: 213 431-8486)

-30- 493
#90225c0209 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL W ARTHUR OF 5400 ALLA RD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90066, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,470 SHARES OF SIZZLER RESTAURANTS INTL INC. (TICKER: SIZZ) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(SIZZLER RESTAURANTS INTL INC. TEL: 213 827-2300)

-30- 445
#90225c0210 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVE W CASE OF 329 HUMBOLDT DR, HENDERSON, NV 89014, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,583 SHARES OF ATI MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: ATI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(ATI MEDICAL INC. TEL: 818 502-9984)

-30- 403
#90225c0211 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID F MARQUARDT OF 240 CERVANTES, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94123, HAS

FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(MICROSOFT CORP. TEL: 206 882-8080)

-30- 409
#90225c0212 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROWLAND W DAY II OF 3070 BRISTOL ST, SUITE 650, COSTA MESA, CA 92626 HAS FILED TO SELL 33,750 SHARES OF AVON RENT-A-CAR & TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: AVON) THROUGH OLSEN PAYNE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(AVON RENT-A-CAR & TRUCK CORP. TEL: 213 645-7645)

-30- 454
#90225c0214 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN H URZALIK OF 4444 LANE DR, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78263, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,500 SHARES OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. TEL: 512 225-4092)

-30- 415
#90225c0215 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUCE VENEZIA OF 1415 REEVES #3, LOS ANGELES, CA 90035, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 430
#90225c0216 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK J GALLAGHER OF 4 MAYFLOWER RD, WINCHESTER, MA 01890, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 444
#90225c0217 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J RUEHLE OF 501 EAST MIDDLEFIELD, MT VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 450
#90225c0218 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ORVILLE E FISHER JR OF 3300 FOX ST, LONG LAKE, MN 55356, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,000 SHARES OF JOSTENS INC. (TICKER: JOS) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(JOSTENS INC. TEL: 612 830-3241)

-30- 396
#90225c0219 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEWAYNE SHONK OF 18035 SAGEBRUSH WAY RTE #1, BRIGHTON, CO 80601, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,352 SHARES OF TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: RRRC) THROUGH BOETTCHER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 303 399-6351)

-30- 416
#90225c0220 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CONNECTICUT BANK & TRUST CO OF 3090 AIRPORT WAY, LONG BEACH, CA 90806, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 459
#90225c0222 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HILLIARD W PAIGE OF 5163 TILDEN ST NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20016, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ERC ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY SERVI (TICKER: ERCE) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(ERC ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY SERVI TEL: 703 246-0500)

-30- 465
#90225c0223 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BANKAMERICAN FOUNDATION OF 315 MONTGOMERY ST, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,956 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 472
#90225c0224 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD A STOLFA OF 8801 SYCAMORE COURT, EDEN PRAIRIE, MN 55347, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SMLS) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 612 420-0700)

-30- 439
#90225c0225 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JUNE N POSNER OF 5426 VANNOORD AVE, VAN NUYS, CA 91401, HAS FILED TO SELL 66,229 SHARES OF SECURITY ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS I (TICKER: SENV) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(SECURITY ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS I TEL: 213 431-8486)

-30- 457
#90225c0226 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL E NOBLE JR OF 171 SOUTH ST, 0, HOPKINTON, MA 01748, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF EMC CORP. (MA) (TICKER: EMC) THROUGH H C WAINWRIGHT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(EMC CORP. (MA) TEL: 508 435-1000)

-30- 396
#90225c0227 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHESTER A WARNER OF 935 ASHLAND, 0, RIVER FOREST, IL 60305, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF HEICO CORP. (TICKER: HEI) THROUGH JAMES BAKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(HEICO CORP. TEL: 305 987-6101)

-30- 384
#90225c0228 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MURRY J ROBINSON OF 225 WEST INDIES DR, PALM BEACH, FL 33480, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,395 SHARES OF MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. (TICKER: MIXX) THROUGH J.W. GANT & ASSOCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. TEL: 303 792-0079)

-30- 439
#90225c0230 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH M CAPPODONA OF 5514 CARBINE CT, NEW PORT RICHIE, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,395 SHARES OF MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. (TICKER: MIXX) THROUGH J.W. GANT & ASSOCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. TEL: 303 792-0079)

-30- 444

#90225c0231 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK HALPERIN OF 25957 SANDALIA DR, VALENCIA, CA 91355, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,077 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 431
#90225c0232 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL E HAYFORD OF 2275 RIVER RUN DR, SAN DIEGO, CA 92111, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF GAYLORD CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: GCR) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(GAYLORD CONTAINER CORP. TEL: 312 544-6694)

-30- 428
#90225c0233 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STAR TRAVEL INC OF 226 71ST STREET, MIAMI, FL 33141, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,545 SHARES OF HOTELECOPY INC. (TICKER: FAXM) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(HOTELECOPY INC. TEL: 305 651-7731)

-30- 396
#90225c0234 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS RAY OF 13765 WEST 67TH CIRCLE, 0, ARVADA, CO 80004, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF CORAL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COCI) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(CORAL COMPANIES INC. TEL: 303 820-3000)

-30- 414
#90225c0235 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

LAIDLAW INC OF BURLINGTON, ONTARIO OWNS 26,330,567 SHARES (29.50%) OF ATTWOODS P L C (TICKER: ATTWY) OF FULMER, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an agreement on Jan. 12, 1989, Laidlaw Inc. acquired 12,613,275 shares of Attwoods PLC and 22,417,191 convertible preferred shares of Attwoods Finance NV from ADT Ltd. for $123,500,000. On May 8, 1990, Laidlaw Inc. acquired 4,730,652 shares for $31,221,396. In June 1990, Laidlaw Inc. announced a rights offering of up to 21,541,418 shares at 390 pence per share. One new share was allotted for each four ordinary shares already held and one ordinary share for each 14.28 convertible preference shares of Attwoods Finance NV then held. Laidlaw Inc. subscribed for 7,947,140 shares and paid 30,993,846 pounds sterling.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 1020
#90225c0236 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY THE PETER FREDERICK BRONFMAN TRUST OWNS 26,533,929 SHARES (60.80%) OF NORCEN ENERGY RESOURCES LTD (TICKER: NCN) OF CALGARY, ALBERTA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: On July 23, 1990, Noranda purchased $250,000,000 in 8 percent convertible subordinated debentures of Norwest Oil & Gas Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Norcen Energy Resources LTD, from Westmin Resources Ltd. in exchange for issuing to Westmin 12.5 million preferred shares, series E, convertible into 12.5 million Noranda common shares. The debentures are convertible into second preferred shares, series 1 or 2 of Norwest. Pursuant to a debenture exchange agreement dated Nov. 30, 1989, to which Noranda became a party on July 23, 1990, the Norwest shares upon conversion must be exchanged with Norcen Energy Resources LTD for either 10 million common shares or Norcen 8 percent convertible subordinated debentures, series C, which are convertible into 10 million common shares.

-30- 1164
#90225c0238 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY JMB REALTY OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 643,425 SHARES (16.20%) OF ANGELES CORP (TICKER: ANG) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 31, 1990, JMB Reality acquired the assets of the QEP Trust upon their distribution by the Trust. On July 23, 1990, an agreement between JMB and Angeles Corp. caused Angeles Corp. to become the primary obligor on debentures of Quinoco Resources Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Angeles Corp., by the agreement of Angeles Corp. to effect a merger of QRI with and into Angeles Corp., raised the interest rate under the debentures, modified certain terms of the preferred stock, and granted Angeles Corp. an option to acquire the securities held by JMB Reality.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 941
#90225c0239 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY C.Y. PALITZ JR OWNS 295,100 SHARES (7.55%) OF CENVEST INC (TICKER: CBCT) OF MERIDEN, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

C.Y. Palitz Jr. purchased 150,000 shares on Aug. 2, 1990 for $4.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 448
#90225c0240 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY WILLOWWOOD PARTNERS LP OWNS 717,300 SHARES (6.10%) OF LOMAS & NETTLETON MTG INVESTORS (TICKER: LOM) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION: Willowwood Partners LP purchased 574,600 shares from May 8 to Aug. 8, 1990 for $2.69 to $4.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 511
#90225c0241 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY BAUPOST L P 1983 A-1 OF CAMBRIDGE, MA OWNS 109,600 SHARES (5.10%) OF MASSBANK CORP (TICKER: MASB) OF READING, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Baupost LP 1983 A-1 purchased 125,600 shares from July 26-31, 1990 for $14.38 to $14.52 per share and sold 14,800 shares for on July 31, 1990 for $14.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 559

#90225c0242 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GABELLI GROUP INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 6,040,983 SHARES (5.08%) OF PARAMOUNT COMMUNICATIONS INC (TICKER: PCI).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From June 7 to Aug. 6, 1990, Gabelli Group Inc. purchased 1,185,800 shares and sold 70,967 shares for $35.50 to $28.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 533

#90225c0246 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 45

AGIA INC OWNS 236,075 SHARES (5.80%) OF DESOTO INC (TICKER: DSO) OF DES PLAINES, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Agia Inc. acquired its 236,075 shares from FP Partners on July 31, 1990 for $47 per share. FP will no long be considered a filing party. FP also transferred all shares in Sutton Holding Corp. to Agia.

-30- 487

#90225c0251 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

DIAGNOSTICS TRANSFUSION OWNS 725,000 SHARES (14.20%) OF IMMUCOR INC (TICKER: BLUD) OF NORCROSS, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result of a 5-for-4 stock split effected in the form of a 25 percent dividend distributed July 24, 1990 to holders of record on July 6, 1990, Diagnostic Transfusion received 95,000 shares of Immucor Inc.'s common stock and its option to purchase 200,000 shares at $14 per share was adjusted to an option to purchase 250,000 shares at $11.20 per share.

PURPOSE:

Stock split.

-30- 716
#90225c0256 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 11, 1990, F.J. WILKINS, PRES. OF INSURANCE INVESTORS & HLDG CO. BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90225c0257 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 11, 1990, F.J. WILKINS, PRES. OF INSURANCE INVESTORS & HLDG CO. BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 238,056.

-30- 320
#90225c0258 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 7, 1990, J.W. CRITES, DIR. OF SOUTH BRANCH VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP INC.(WEST VIRGINIA) BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $100.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,408.

-30- 349
#90225c0259 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 7, 1990, R.C. WILLIAMS, CHAIRMAN OF SOUTH BRANCH VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP INC.(WEST VIRGINIA) SOLD 800 SHARES AT $100.00 PER SHARE HOLDINGS TO 1,512.

-30- 340

#90225c0260 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, H.A. TRUEBLOOD JR, CHAIRMAN OF COLUMBUS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CMBE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90225c0261 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 11, 1990, H.A. TRUEBLOOD JR, CHAIRMAN OF COLUMBUS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CMBE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 628,480.

-30- 327
#90225c0262 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 13, 1990, T.A. GANS, VP OF GIANT FOOD INC. (TICKER: GFS), SOLD 1,633 CLASS A SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90225c0264 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 24, 1990, S.Z. ROSENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF DIGICON INC. (TICKER: DGC) SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90225c0265 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 20, 1990, P.J. MEYER, CHAIRMAN OF SMI INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: SMII) BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90225c0266 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, P.J. MEYER, CHAIRMAN OF SMI INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: SMII) BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,304,378.

-30- 313
#90225c0267 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, T.P. O'NEILL III, DIR. OF NORTHEAST FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: NSB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 325
#90225c0268 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 12, 1990, D.P. JOHNSON, OFFICER OF RESPONSE TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: RTK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 331
#90225c0269 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, R.A. BERGDOLL, PRES. OF SANFORD CORP. (TICKER:SANF), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90225c0270 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 18, 1990, R.A. BERGDOLL, PRES. OF SANFORD CORP. (TICKER:SANF), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 364,893.

-30- 303
#90225c0272 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 17, 1990, J.H. VANDELOGT, VP OF SANFORD CORP. (TICKER: SANF), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $21.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,666.

-30- 298
#90225c0273 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, D.M. BOYD III, CHAIRMAN OF CAROLINA FIRST BANCSHARES INC. BOUGHT 313 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,008.

-30- 321
#90225c0274 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, D.M. BOYD III, CHAIRMAN OF CAROLINA FIRST BANCSHARES INC. BOUGHT 264 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,426.

-30- 323
#90225c0275 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, M.J. MCGRATH, CHAIRMAN OF WEST JERSEY BANKSHARES INC. BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS 4,917.

-30- 317
#90225c0276 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, J.A. VANVOORHIS, PRES. OF WEST JERSEY BANKSHARES INC. BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,000.

-30- 319
#90225c0277 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, R. WESNOFSKE, CHAIRMAN OF BRIDGE BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 832 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,103.

-30- 300
#90225c0278 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF WHITNEY HOLDING CORP. BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 803,871.

-30- 346
#90225c0280 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JOHN D CARIFA, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ALLIANCE GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FD INC. (TICKER: AEF), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 371
#90225c0281 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, R LEE ANDERSON, VP OF AMERICAN FAMILY CORP. (TICKER: AFL), SOLD 506 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,816.

-30- 310
#90225c0282 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, R LEE ANDERSON, VP OF AMERICAN FAMILY CORP. (TICKER: AFL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,872.

-30- 314
#90225c0283 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90225c0284 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90225c0285 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90225c0286 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90225c0288 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90225c0289 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $22.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90225c0290 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90225c0291 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $22.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,409,040.

-30- 329
#90225c0292 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90225c0293 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90225c0294 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90225c0296 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90225c0297 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90225c0298 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $22.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90225c0299 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90225c0300 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $22.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,409,040.

-30- 324
#90225c0301 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, DUANE M GILBERT, OFFICER OF ANALYTICAL SURVEYS INC. (TICKER: ANLT), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,400.

-30- 326
#90225c0302 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ERVIN F LYON, DIR. OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $43.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 206,668.

-30- 333
#90225c0304 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CLARENCE BARHAM, DIV. OFFICER OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90225c0305 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, PETER C JAQUITH, DIR. OF AURA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AURA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90225c0306 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, PETER C JAQUITH, DIR. OF AURA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AURA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,400.

-30- 313
#90225c0307 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PETER C JAQUITH, DIR. OF AURA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AURA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90225c0308 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PETER C JAQUITH, DIR. OF AURA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AURA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90225c0309 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, PETER C JAQUITH, DIR. OF AURA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AURA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90225c0310 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, PETER C JAQUITH, DIR. OF AURA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AURA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90225c0312 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, BRIAN D YOUNG, DIR. OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 151,800 SHARES AT $28.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90225c0313 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, BRIAN D YOUNG, DIR. OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 80,075 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,783,000.

-30- 338
#90225c0314 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, THOMAS R CRONIN, DIR. OF BASIC AMERICAN MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: BAMI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 482,387.

-30- 336
#90225c0315 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, GERALD LABODA, DIR. OF BASIC AMERICAN MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: BAMI), SOLD 2,058 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,621.

-30- 326
#90225c0316 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, GERALD LABODA, DIR. OF BASIC AMERICAN MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: BAMI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 482,387.

-30- 333
#90225c0317 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, HARRY M LOWELL, DIR. OF BASIC AMERICAN MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: BAMI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90225c0318 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, HARRY M LOWELL, DIR. OF BASIC AMERICAN MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: BAMI), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90225c0320 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, HARRY M LOWELL, DIR. OF BASIC AMERICAN MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: BAMI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 322,053.

-30- 327
#90225c0321 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, RAYMOND W SMITH, CHAIRMAN OF BELL ATLANTIC CORP. (TICKER: BEL), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $46.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0322 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, RAYMOND W SMITH, CHAIRMAN OF BELL ATLANTIC CORP. (TICKER: BEL), BOUGHT 4,800 SHARES AT $46.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0323 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, RAYMOND W SMITH, CHAIRMAN OF BELL ATLANTIC CORP. (TICKER: BEL), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $46.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,134.

-30- 317
#90225c0324 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, MARVIN B SHARFSTEIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CABOT MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: CBOT), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 919,890.

-30- 350
#90225c0325 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, WARREN G WOOD, PRES. OF CABOT MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: CBOT), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90225c0326 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, WARREN G WOOD, PRES. OF CABOT MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: CBOT), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90225c0328 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, HARRY B BROCK JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 101 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90225c0329 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, HARRY B BROCK JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 101 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 570,057.

-30- 366
#90225c0330 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, DORIS L JOHNSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA JOCKEY CLUB (TICKER: CJ), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,900.

-30- 322
#90225c0331 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, FRANK J DISANTO JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COPYTELE

INC. (TICKER: COPY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90225c0332 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, FRANK J DISANTO JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COPYTELE INC. (TICKER: COPY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90225c0333 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, FRANK J DISANTO JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COPYTELE INC. (TICKER: COPY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90225c0334 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, FRANK J DISANTO JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COPYTELE INC. (TICKER: COPY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 240,475.

-30- 330
#90225c0336 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), SOLD 964 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90225c0337 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $42.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90225c0338 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $42.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90225c0339 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $42.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90225c0340 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 70,929 SHARES AT $43.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,700,373.

-30- 384
#90225c0341 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, ESTELL C LEE, DIR. OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), SOLD 950 SHARES AT $43.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80.

-30- 317
#90225c0342 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, DEBBIE W MINO, VP OF CROWN RESOURCE CORP. (TICKER: CRRS), SOLD 11,605 SHARES AT $6.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90225c0344 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, EVERGREEN CAPITAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 107,197.

-30- 328
#90225c0345 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 127,143.

-30- 306
#90225c0346 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ANDREW J SORDONI III, CHAIRMAN OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 111,748.

-30- 315
#90225c0347 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, STEPHEN SORDONI, BEN. OWNER OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 107,198.

-30- 313
#90225c0348 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, WILLIAM B SORDONI, DIR. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 107,992.

-30- 304
#90225c0349 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, STANLEY A WAINER, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 858 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,000.

-30- 307
#90225c0350 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1989, R RON HEILIGENSTEIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WHITE (DAVID) INC. (TICKER: DAWH), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 350
#90225c0352 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, RICHARD E OFFERDAHL, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF DIGI INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DGII), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 608,752.

-30- 356
#90225c0353 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WARNER N DALHOUSE, CHAIRMAN OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90225c0354 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, GARY L MCGEE, OFFICER OF DEVON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: DVN), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90225c0355 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, GARY L MCGEE, OFFICER OF DEVON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: DVN), SOLD 2,582 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90225c0356 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, J LARRY NICHOLS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DEVON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: DVN), BOUGHT 1,544 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING

INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 505,423.

-30- 339
#90225c0357 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JOHN W NICHOLS, DIR. OF DEVON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: DVN), SOLD 1,544 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90225c0358 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JOHN W NICHOLS, DIR. OF DEVON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: DVN), SOLD 2,199 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90225c0360 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, MARTIN L FINK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF EAGLE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: EEGL), SOLD 11,060 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 777,440.

-30- 354
#90225c0361 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, MARTIN L FINK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF EAGLE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: EEGL), SOLD 11,500 SHARES AT $1.43 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90225c0362 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, BRUNO STRAUSS, SHAREHOLDER OF ELDEC CORP. (TICKER: ELDC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90225c0363 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, BRUNO STRAUSS, SHAREHOLDER OF ELDEC CORP. (TICKER: ELDC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,812.

-30- 310
#90225c0364 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, BRUNO STRAUSS, SHAREHOLDER OF ELDEC CORP. (TICKER: ELDC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,812.

-30- 310
#90225c0365 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, HERMAN J YOPP, VP OF EMERSON ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: EMR), SOLD 6,465 SHARES AT $41.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 307
#90225c0366 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, EVANS ROSE JR, DIR. OF EQUIMARK CORP. (TICKER: EQK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 298
#90225c0368 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ALEXANDER P WADDELL IV, VP OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,417.

-30- 329
#90225c0369 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, CHARLES J GRAYSON JR, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TEXAS (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 340
#90225c0370 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, RALPH S OCONNOR, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TEXAS (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90225c0371 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, RALPH S OCONNOR, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TEXAS (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90225c0372 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, RALPH S OCONNOR, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TEXAS (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,019.

-30- 336
#90225c0373 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, ROBERT E BLAND, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 317
#90225c0374 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, DAVID A HEATHERLY, VP OF FOREMOST CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: FCOA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,895.

-30- 322
#90225c0376 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, SUE EPSTEIN-LEVINE, VP OF FIRSTFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FED), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,249.

-30- 324
#90225c0377 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, RODERICK F MCPHEE, DIR. OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 1,428 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,748.

-30- 316
#90225c0378 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOHN F NIELSEN, DIR. OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 604 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 604.

-30- 310
#90225c0379 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, NOLAN W CARSON, DIR. OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 321
#90225c0380 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RICHARD W CARPENTER, DIR. OF FIRST LIBERTY FINANCIAL CORP. (GA) (TICKER: FLFC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90225c0381 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, RICHARD W CARPENTER, DIR. OF FIRST LIBERTY FINANCIAL CORP. (GA) (TICKER: FLFC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,094.

-30- 349
#90225c0382 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, RICHARD D HARRISON, DIR. OF FLEMING COS. (TICKER: FLM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,715.

-30- 306
#90225c0384 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ROBERT N MANN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (CA) (TICKER: FN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,302.

-30- 317
#90225c0385 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, DAVID J PRIMUTH, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (CA) (TICKER: FN), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,561.

-30- 325
#90225c0386 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, THOMAS W MOORE, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FSCB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,969.

-30- 334
#90225c0387 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, BRUCE N WHITMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FLIGHTSAFETY INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FSI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $64.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90225c0388 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, IRVIN L CAUTHEN, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED BANCORP.(ANDERSON,CS) (TICKER: FUSC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,169.

-30- 350
#90225c0389 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, EQUITY HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 77,800 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,174,725.

-30- 390
#90225c0390 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, NORMAN M FIELD, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 77,800 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,174,725.

-30- 366
#90225c0392 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, ARTHUR A GREENBERG, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 77,800 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90225c0393 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, ARTHUR A GREENBERG, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,175,725.

-30- 372
#90225c0394 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JODELL A KEPPLER, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 77,800 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE,

BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,174,725.

-30- 370
#90225c0395 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, PATRICIA MEGAHAN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 77,800 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,174,725.

-30- 368
#90225c0396 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, PATRICIA MEGAHAN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 353
#90225c0397 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JERRY J PEZZELLA JR, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 77,800 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,174,725.

-30- 377
#90225c0398 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, SHELI Z ROSENBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 77,800 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 358
#90225c0400 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, SHELI Z ROSENBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,175,725.

-30- 399
#90225c0401 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, GERALD A SPECTOR, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 77,800 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,174,725.

-30- 370
#90225c0402 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, SAMUEL ZELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 77,800 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 346
#90225c0403 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, SAMUEL ZELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,178,725.

-30- 387
#90225c0404 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, FREDRIC H GOULD, GEN. PARTNER OF GOULD INVESTORS L.P. (TICKER: GLP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,434.

-30- 327
#90225c0405 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, CHARLES M JORDAN, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90225c0406 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, ROBERT J FISHER, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $64.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 251
#90225c0408 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, ROBERT J FISHER, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 10,900 SHARES AT $64.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90225c0409 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ROBERT J FISHER, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $59.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 251
#90225c0410 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ROBERT J FISHER, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $60.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 251
#90225c0411 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ROBERT J FISHER, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $60.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 246
#90225c0412 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ROBERT J FISHER, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 4,800 SHARES AT $60.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 251
#90225c0413 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ROBERT J FISHER, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 15,500 SHARES AT $60.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90225c0414 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ROBERT J FISHER, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 4,700 SHARES AT $61.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,793,029.

-30- 290
#90225c0416 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, CHARLES J SWINDELLS, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90225c0417 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, CHARLES J SWINDELLS, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90225c0418 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, CHARLES J SWINDELLS, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90225c0419 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, CHARLES J SWINDELLS, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90225c0420 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, CHARLES J SWINDELLS, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90225c0421 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, CHARLES J SWINDELLS, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 575,051.

-30- 335
#90225c0422 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ALEXANDER H WALKER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HOMESTEAD MINERALS CORP. (TICKER: HMCO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 715,623.

-30- 357
#90225c0424 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, LAWRENCE A FINK, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 325
#90225c0425 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, LAWRENCE A FINK, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,260.

-30- 323
#90225c0426 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, DONALD J SLEEZER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HOMG), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124,258.

-30- 348
#90225c0427 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, RICHARD H BROOKS, DIR. OF HOME PORT BANCORP INC. (TICKER: HPBC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 315
#90225c0428 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, FLORENCE C PETRLIK, DIR. OF HANNAFORD BROTHERS CO. (TICKER: HRD), SOLD 54,872 SHARES AT $39.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 851,400.

-30- 328
#90225c0429 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, WALTER J SALMON, DIR. OF HANNAFORD BROTHERS CO. (TICKER: HRD), SOLD 7,100 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90225c0430 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, WALTER J SALMON, DIR. OF HANNAFORD BROTHERS CO. (TICKER: HRD), SOLD 532 SHARES AT $40.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,934.

-30- 318
#90225c0432 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, CHARLES E WAGGNER, DIR. OF HOMETOWN BANCORP. (TICKER: HTWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90225c0433 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, CHARLES E WAGGNER, DIR. OF HOMETOWN BANCORP. (TICKER: HTWN), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,398.

-30- 317
#90225c0434 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RICHARD C EBNER, VP OF HAVERFIELD CORP. (TICKER: HVFD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90225c0435 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RICHARD C EBNER, VP OF HAVERFIELD CORP. (TICKER: HVFD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90225c0436 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, NICK J NERO, VP OF HAVERFIELD CORP. (TICKER: HVFD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,689.

-30- 292
#90225c0437 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF HYDE ATHLETIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HYDE), BOUGHT 7,980 SHARES AT $4.61 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90225c0438 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF HYDE ATHLETIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HYDE), BOUGHT 11,970 SHARES AT $3.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 313

#90225c0440 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF HYDE ATHLETIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HYDE), BOUGHT 1,995 SHARES AT $3.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 307,308.

-30- 348
#90225c0441 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, INTER-REGIONAL STK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 70,200 SHARES AT $6.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,087,205.

-30- 383
#90225c0442 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JAMES CICCARELLI, VP OF INTELLIGENT ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: INEL), SOLD 742 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 326
#90225c0443 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, INTERGRAPH STK BONUS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF INTERGRAPH CORP. (TICKER: INGR), SOLD 24,346 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90225c0444 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, DANIEL D HAMMOND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERVOICE INC. (TICKER: INTV), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90225c0445 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, DANIEL D HAMMOND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERVOICE INC. (TICKER: INTV), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 181,683.

-30- 336
#90225c0446 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JEFFREY F KASS, SHAREHOLDER OF INTERNATIONAL PAPER CO. (TICKER: IP), SOLD 904 SHARES AT $54.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,384.

-30- 319
#90225c0448 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90225c0449 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0450 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90225c0451 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90225c0452 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90225c0453 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0454 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0456 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0457 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0458 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90225c0459 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90225c0460 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0461 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0462 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0464 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0465 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0466 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0467 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90225c0468 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0469 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0470 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0472 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0473 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90225c0474 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0475 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,204,610.

-30- 327
#90225c0476 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM P MOYLES, DIR. OF IRT CORP. (TICKER: IX), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90225c0477 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM P MOYLES, DIR. OF IRT CORP. (TICKER: IX), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,750.

-30- 290
#90225c0478 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ANTHONY W BUSCH, SHAREHOLDER OF J.A.M. INC. (TICKER: JAMY), SOLD 85,248 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90225c0480 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JOHN A MARSZALEK, PRES. OF J.A.M. INC. (TICKER: JAMY), BOUGHT 31,441 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,162,716.

-30- 309
#90225c0481 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 15,771 SHARES AT $26.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90225c0482 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 33,484 SHARES AT $26.83 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90225c0483 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 32,600 SHARES AT $26.43 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90225c0484 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 40,027 SHARES AT $26.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90225c0485 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ABBEY J BUTLER, BEN. OWNER OF KITCHEN BAZAAR INC. (TICKER: KBAZ), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 622,797.

-30- 332

#90225c0486 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,320.

-30- 325
#90225c0488 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, WAYNE C PATTERSON, PRES. OF NICHOLS INSTITUTE (TICKER: LAB), SOLD 1,067 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90225c0489 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, WAYNE C PATTERSON, PRES. OF NICHOLS INSTITUTE (TICKER: LAB), SOLD 10,400 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,223.

-30- 322
#90225c0490 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, LILA KUMAR, BEN. OWNER OF LARRY'S ICE CREAM INC. (TICKER: LARY), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,414,600.

-30- 333
#90225c0491 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, ROGER KUMAR, BEN. OWNER OF LARRY'S ICE CREAM INC. (TICKER: LARY), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,414,600.

-30- 334
#90225c0492 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, HAL HALPERN, VP OF LASER PRECISION CORP. (TICKER:

LASR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 307
#90225c0493 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, LESLIE C ANDERSON, VP OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0494 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, LESLIE C ANDERSON, VP OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $43.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90225c0496 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, ORLO D JONES, VP OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $43.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90225c0497 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, ORLO D JONES, VP OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,700.

-30- 311
#90225c0498 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JACK B MORRIS, DIR. OF LEGGETT & PLATT INC. (TICKER: LEG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90225c0499 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JACK B MORRIS, DIR. OF LEGGETT & PLATT INC. (TICKER: LEG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $37.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90225c0500 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JACK B MORRIS, DIR. OF LEGGETT & PLATT INC. (TICKER: LEG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $35.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90225c0501 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JACK B MORRIS, DIR. OF LEGGETT & PLATT INC. (TICKER: LEG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $36.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90225c0502 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JACK B MORRIS, DIR. OF LEGGETT & PLATT INC. (TICKER: LEG), SOLD 2,800 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 557,807.

-30- 315
#90225c0504 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, LEONARD BOXER, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90225c0505 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, LEONARD BOXER, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,631,912.

-30- 314

#90225c0506 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC.
(TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90225c0507 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC.
(TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90225c0508 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC.
(TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90225c0509 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC.
(TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90225c0510 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC.
(TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90225c0512 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE
LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $6.50 PER
SHARE.

-30- 331
#90225c0513 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 5,100 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90225c0514 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90225c0515 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90225c0516 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90225c0517 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90225c0518 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90225c0520 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90225c0521 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90225c0522 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90225c0523 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90225c0524 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90225c0525 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90225c0526 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90225c0528 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90225c0529 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 11,700 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90225c0530 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 8,900 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,647,300.

-30- 370
#90225c0531 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90225c0532 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,883,600.

-30- 374
#90225c0533 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, HARRY A MERLO, DIR. OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90225c0534 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, HARRY A MERLO, DIR. OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 108,627.

-30- 328
#90225c0536 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROY H POLLACK, DIR. OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90225c0537 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ROY H POLLACK, DIR. OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $13.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 328
#90225c0538 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, CYRUS Y TSUI, PRES. OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,100.

-30- 333
#90225c0539 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, CHESTER N WINNINGSTAD, CHAIRMAN OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 204,538.

-30- 351
#90225c0540 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, HERBERT J BELLUCCI, VP OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,233.

-30- 300
#90225c0541 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, CHERYL N TURPIN, OFFICER OF THE LIMITED INC. (TICKER: LTD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 311
#90225c0542 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90225c0544 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90225c0545 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90225c0546 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90225c0547 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90225c0548 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90225c0549 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90225c0550 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90225c0552 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 187,287.

-30- 311
#90225c0553 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, PAMELA F CHERNEY, OFFICER OF MCA INC. (TICKER: MCA), SOLD 123 SHARES AT $51.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,482.

-30- 293
#90225c0554 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, PHYLLIS E GRANN, VP OF MCA INC. (TICKER: MCA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $53.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,015.

-30- 285
#90225c0555 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, CHARLES S PAUL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCA INC. (TICKER: MCA), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $54.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,115.

-30- 312
#90225c0556 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, SIDNEY J SHEINBERG, PRES. OF MCA INC. (TICKER: MCA), SOLD 62,500 SHARES AT $54.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,179,635.

-30- 304
#90225c0557 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JAY S STEIN, VP OF MCA INC. (TICKER: MCA), SOLD 1,600 SHARES AT $53.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 245
#90225c0558 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JAY S STEIN, VP OF MCA INC. (TICKER: MCA), SOLD 1,600 SHARES AT $54.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 245
#90225c0560 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JAY S STEIN, VP OF MCA INC. (TICKER: MCA), SOLD 372 SHARES AT $51.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,654.

-30- 278
#90225c0561 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, CHARLES R BREWER, VP OF MICRODYNE CORP. (TICKER: MCDY), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 295
#90225c0562 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, TYLER A LOWREY, VP OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90225c0563 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, TYLER A LOWREY, VP OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), SOLD 15,032 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,378.

-30- 316
#90225c0564 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, CHESTER EIERMANN, VP OF MARINE HOLDING CO. (TICKER: MDCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90225c0565 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, CHESTER EIERMANN, VP OF MARINE HOLDING CO. (TICKER: MDCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,000.

-30- 312
#90225c0566 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, ROBERT E BOYD JR, SHAREHOLDER OF MEDEX INC. (TICKER: MDEX), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,358.

-30- 307
#90225c0568 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JEFFREY L MORBY, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 3,750 SHARES AT $26.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,750.

-30- 309
#90225c0569 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JEFFREY L MORBY, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 3,750 SHARES AT $26.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,896.

-30- 310
#90225c0570 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, BRIAN W MAGGS, VP OF MENTOR GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MENT), SOLD 219 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90225c0571 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, B B TULEY, PRES. OF MICHAELS STORES INC. (TICKER: MKE), SOLD 604,684 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90225c0572 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JAMES A VONINS, OFFICER OF MILLER (HERMAN) INC. (TICKER: MLHR), SOLD 2,131 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,702.

-30- 320
#90225c0573 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, SPENCER G POPE, DIR. OF MINERS NATIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: MNBC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,024.

-30- 332
#90225c0574 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, LEONARD R STEINSAPIR, CHAIRMAN OF MORGAN'S FOODS INC. (TICKER: MR), BOUGHT 150,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,596,401.

-30- 336
#90225c0576 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, J CECIL JARVIS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MOUNTAINEER BANKSHARES OF WEST VIRGINIA INC. (TICKER: MTNR), BOUGHT 440 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,277.

-30- 385
#90225c0577 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, JIM G FARMER, VP OF MARK TWAIN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: MTWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 323
#90225c0578 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 33,100 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90225c0579 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 92,500 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90225c0580 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 93,100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90225c0581 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 7,900 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90225c0582 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP.

(TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 18,400 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90225c0584 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP.
(TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 16,400 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90225c0585 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP.
(TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 24,400 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90225c0586 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP.
(TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 150,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90225c0587 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP.
(TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $20.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90225c0588 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP.
(TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 203,800 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90225c0589 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP.

(TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 29,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90225c0590 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP.
(TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90225c0592 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP.
(TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90225c0593 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP.
(TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 1,037,500.

-30- 335
#90225c0594 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JOHN R MASTANDREA, PRES. OF NDE ENVIRONMENTAL CORP.
(TICKER: NDEC), BOUGHT 82,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90225c0595 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOHN R MASTANDREA, PRES. OF NDE ENVIRONMENTAL CORP.
(TICKER: NDEC), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 1,236,052.

-30- 334
#90225c0596 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JAMES L HERBERT JR, PRES. OF NEOGEN CORP. (TICKER: NEOG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 304
#90225c0597 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, PETER S WILLMOTT, DIR. OF NICOLET INSTRUMENT CORP. (TICKER: NIC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90225c0598 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, PETER S WILLMOTT, DIR. OF NICOLET INSTRUMENT CORP. (TICKER: NIC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,692.

-30- 326
#90225c0600 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RICHARD K DONAHUE, PRES. OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NIKE), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90225c0601 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, RICHARD K DONAHUE, PRES. OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NIKE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $88.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 203,750.

-30- 300
#90225c0602 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CHARLES W ROBINSON, DIR. OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NIKE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $86.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,000.

-30- 304
#90225c0603 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 169 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90225c0604 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90225c0605 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90225c0606 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90225c0608 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 166 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90225c0609 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90225c0610 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90225c0611 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90225c0612 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 127 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90225c0613 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,561,455.

-30- 376
#90225c0614 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, D W MCGOWAN, CHAIRMAN OF OHIO BANCORP. (TICKER:

OHBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,720.

-30- 312
#90225c0616 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, OLIN CORP CONTRIBUTING EOP, BEN. OWNER OF OLIN CORP. (TICKER: OLN), BOUGHT 10,075 SHARES AT $49.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,508,011.

-30- 334
#90225c0617 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ROGER K FAVERO, VP OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90225c0618 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ROGER K FAVERO, VP OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90225c0619 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ROGER K FAVERO, VP OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90225c0620 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROGER K FAVERO, VP OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 351
#90225c0621 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DONALD H LEWIS, VP OF THE PRICE CO. (TICKER: PCLB), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $41.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 291
#90225c0622 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, THOMAS D MARTIN, VP OF THE PRICE CO. (TICKER: PCLB), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90225c0624 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JOSEPH R SATZ, VP OF THE PRICE CO. (TICKER: PCLB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90225c0625 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JOSEPH R SATZ, VP OF THE PRICE CO. (TICKER: PCLB), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $38.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80.

-30- 284
#90225c0626 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, CHARLES DAVID BROADDUS, VP OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 12,102 SHARES AT $90.66 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,276.

-30- 322
#90225c0627 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, STONA J FITCH, VP OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 3,496 SHARES AT $87.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,030.

-30- 307
#90225c0628 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, HERBERT SCHMITZ, VP OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 1,020 SHARES AT $90.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90225c0629 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, DANIEL C ULMER JR, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90225c0630 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, DANIEL C ULMER JR, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90225c0632 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, DANIEL C ULMER JR, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 20,500 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 115,695.

-30- 317
#90225c0633 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, CITIZENS & SOUTHERN TRUST CO, TTEE OF POLAROID CORP. (TICKER: PRD), BOUGHT 2,630 SHARES AT $39.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90225c0634 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1990, JAMES J BYERLOTZER, VP OF PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PRDE), BOUGHT 430 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 323
#90225c0635 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, STANLEY R RAWN JR, DIR. OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0636 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, STANLEY R RAWN JR, DIR. OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90225c0637 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, STANLEY R RAWN JR, DIR. OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 156,112 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90225c0638 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, STANLEY R RAWN JR, DIR. OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 77,462 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,630.

-30- 322
#90225c0640 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, EVERETT H MAYER, CHAIRMAN OF PROGRESSIVE BANK INC. (TICKER: PSBK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 322
#90225c0641 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, BERTREN D FIGI, VP OF PORTAGE INDUSTRIES CORP. (TICKER: PTG), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,707.

-30- 299
#90225c0642 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, NELO G BORELLI, DIR. OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,206.

-30- 336
#90225c0643 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, PHILLIP R BOYCE, CHAIRMAN OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90225c0644 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, PHILLIP R BOYCE, CHAIRMAN OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90225c0645 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ANTHONY J DAMORE, DIR. OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90225c0646 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, RICHARD M PITAGORA, DIR. OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 2,220 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90225c0648 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, FRANK E RITCHEY, DIR. OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,139.

-30- 335
#90225c0649 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, SIDNEY R SOGOLOW, DIR. OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90225c0650 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, EUGENE M ESTEP, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CASH AMERICA INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: PWN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 351
#90225c0651 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, ALEX R RODRIGUEZ, OFFICER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90225c0652 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ALEX R RODRIGUEZ, OFFICER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90225c0653 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ALEX R RODRIGUEZ, OFFICER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,900.

-30- 331
#90225c0654 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, HAROLD A SIEGEL, VP OF RADIATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RADS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90225c0656 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, HAROLD A SIEGEL, VP OF RADIATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RADS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90225c0657 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, HAROLD A SIEGEL, VP OF RADIATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RADS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90225c0658 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, HAROLD A SIEGEL, VP OF RADIATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RADS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90225c0659 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, HAROLD A SIEGEL, VP OF RADIATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RADS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,125.

-30- 312
#90225c0660 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ROBERT O EBERT, DIR. OF RUBBERMAID INC. (TICKER: RBD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $41.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90225c0661 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, ROBERT O EBERT, DIR. OF RUBBERMAID INC. (TICKER: RBD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90225c0662 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ROBERT O EBERT, DIR. OF RUBBERMAID INC. (TICKER: RBD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $44.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90225c0664 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, ROBERT O EBERT, DIR. OF RUBBERMAID INC. (TICKER: RBD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90225c0665 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ROBERT O EBERT, DIR. OF RUBBERMAID INC. (TICKER: RBD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $44.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 613,987.

-30- 306
#90225c0666 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, DONALD R HIGGINS, VP OF ROANOKE ELECTRIC STEEL CORP. (TICKER: RESC), SOLD 275 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 225.

-30- 322
#90225c0667 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, DOUGLAS ALLEN KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO. (TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $10.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90225c0668 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, DOUGLAS ALLEN KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO. (TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90225c0669 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, DOUGLAS ALLEN KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO. (TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $10.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90225c0670 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, DOUGLAS ALLEN KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO. (TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 185,400.

-30- 333
#90225c0672 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, DAVID S NORRIS, VP OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90225c0673 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, DAVID S NORRIS, VP OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.86 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 306
#90225c0674 08/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, STANLEY I WESTREICH, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 11,200 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90225c0675 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, STANLEY I WESTREICH, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 28,800 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90225c0676 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, STANLEY I WESTREICH, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90225c0677 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, STANLEY I WESTREICH, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,661.

-30- 327
#90225c0678 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, CARMEN V ROMEO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SEI CORP. (TICKER: SEIC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,640.

-30- 316
#90225c0680 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ALLAN V MARTINI, DIR. OF SANTA FE ENERGY RES INC. (TICKER: SFR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 326
#90225c0681 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, KEVIN A HENDERSON, DIV. OFFICER OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), SOLD 1,579 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90225c0682 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 147,080.

-30- 303
#90225c0683 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90225c0684 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, CHARLES E PORTER, VP OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), SOLD 8,107 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90225c0685 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, MICHAEL J ROSE JR, VP OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), SOLD 3,450 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90225c0686 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, MICHAEL J ROSE JR, VP OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), SOLD 3,300 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

99,242.

-30- 297
#90225c0688 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, MICHAEL J ROSE JR, VP OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90225c0689 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, MICHAEL J ROSE JR, VP OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), SOLD 650 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90225c0690 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, RONALD G REHERMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SOUTHERN INDIANA GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: SIG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,064.

-30- 371
#90225c0691 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, RICHARD W SHYMANSKI, DIR. OF SOUTHERN INDIANA GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: SIG), BOUGHT 166 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 584.

-30- 348
#90225c0692 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, RICHARD T DOERMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90225c0693 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, RICHARD T DOERMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90225c0694 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, RICHARD T DOERMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 519,944.

-30- 329
#90225c0696 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ROBERT A WEINERMAN, DIR. OF SOCIETY FOR SAVINGS BANCORP. (TICKER: SOCS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,110.

-30- 342
#90225c0697 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, THOMAS G STEMBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF STAPLES INC. (TICKER: SPLS), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90225c0698 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, THOMAS G STEMBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF STAPLES INC. (TICKER: SPLS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90225c0699 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, THOMAS G STEMBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF STAPLES INC. (TICKER: SPLS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 464,468.

-30- 319
#90225c0700 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, CHARLES J ZWICK, CHAIRMAN OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 119,111.

-30- 331
#90225c0701 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JAMES J SPILKER JR, CHAIRMAN OF STANFORD TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: STII), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90225c0702 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JAMES J SPILKER JR, CHAIRMAN OF STANFORD TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: STII), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 641,842.

-30- 354
#90225c0704 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 4,800 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90225c0705 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90225c0706 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP.

(NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90225c0707 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP.
(NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90225c0708 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP.
(NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90225c0709 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP.
(NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90225c0710 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP.
(NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90225c0712 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP.
(NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90225c0713 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP.

(NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90225c0714 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 388,798.

-30- 336
#90225c0715 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, COVINGTON SHACKLEFORD, VP OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), BOUGHT 415 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,576.

-30- 319
#90225c0716 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, WILLIAM T ODONNELL JR, CHAIRMAN OF SIERRA TUCSON COS INC. (TICKER: STSN), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,738,469.

-30- 341
#90225c0717 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, JAMES D IRELAND III, DIR. OF SUN COAST PLASTICS INC. (TICKER: SUNI), BOUGHT 33,500 SHARES AT $1.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 185,794.

-30- 331
#90225c0718 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, ROBERT G EASTON, DIR. OF SUPRADUR COS. (TICKER: SUPD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 301
#90225c0720 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, CITIZENS & SOUTHERN TRUST CO, TTEE OF SAVANNAH FOODS & INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SVAN), BOUGHT 1,006 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90225c0721 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, CITIZENS & SOUTHERN TRUST CO, TTEE OF SAVANNAH FOODS & INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SVAN), BOUGHT 9,992 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,835,001.

-30- 365
#90225c0722 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, SAVANNAH FOODS & IND INC ESOP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SAVANNAH FOODS & INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SVAN), BOUGHT 1,006 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90225c0723 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, SAVANNAH FOODS & IND INC ESOP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SAVANNAH FOODS & INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SVAN), BOUGHT 9,992 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,835,001.

-30- 387
#90225c0724 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 347,300 SHARES AT $0.17 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90225c0725 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 138,100 SHARES AT $0.17 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90225c0726 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 320,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90225c0728 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 188,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90225c0729 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90225c0730 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90225c0731 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 230,000 SHARES AT $0.17 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90225c0732 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 15,500 SHARES AT $0.17 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,422,300.

-30- 340
#90225c0733 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, BRIAN E CORNISH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF TAURUS PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: TAUR), BOUGHT 250,000 SHARES AT $0.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,000.

-30- 354
#90225c0734 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, BRIAN E CORNISH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF TAURUS PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: TAUR), BOUGHT 4,000,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,250,000.

-30- 360
#90225c0736 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CHRISTOPHER N CURNOW, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF TAURUS PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: TAUR), BOUGHT 4,000,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,250,000.

-30- 366
#90225c0737 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, DAVID A PRICE, VP OF TAB PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: TBP), SOLD 10,125 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90225c0738 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90225c0739 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, THOMAS E HELFRICH, VP OF THE TRAVELERS CORP. (TICKER: TIC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $29.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 304
#90225c0740 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, WALTER S DAVIS, CHAIRMAN OF THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TII), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,103.

-30- 317
#90225c0741 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, RALPH D KETCHUM, DIR. OF THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TII), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 303
#90225c0742 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WAYNE MCDONALD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TEMPLE-INLAND INC. (TICKER: TIN), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $37.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90225c0744 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, STANLEY MARQUIS, OFFICER OF TRIAD SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: TRSC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,970.

-30- 317
#90225c0745 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES R PORTER, PRES. OF TRIAD SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: TRSC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,335.

-30- 315
#90225c0746 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, JAMES M TOTARO, VP OF TSR INC. (TICKER: TSRI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 250
#90225c0747 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JAMES M TOTARO, VP OF TSR INC. (TICKER: TSRI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 285
#90225c0748 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, IRVING M GROVES JR, DIR. OF TULTEX CORP. (TICKER: TTX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,036.

-30- 299
#90225c0749 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, WILLIAM M MCKNIGHT JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX), SOLD 70,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90225c0750 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, WILLIAM M MCKNIGHT JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX), SOLD 80,000 SHARES AT $1.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,434,756.

-30- 357
#90225c0752 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JOSEPH H ANDERER, DIR. OF THE U.S. SHOE CORP. (TICKER: USR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,794.

-30- 310
#90225c0753 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RANDOLPH A DELANO, VP OF VIEJO BANCORP (TICKER: VBMV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,698.

-30- 300
#90225c0754 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ROBERT N WAKEMAN, VP OF VIEJO BANCORP (TICKER: VBMV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,606.

-30- 300
#90225c0755 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, CHARLOTTE R LORENZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VARCO INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: VRC), SOLD 7,900 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90225c0756 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, CHARLOTTE R LORENZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VARCO INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: VRC), SOLD 17,100 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,043,839.

-30- 349
#90225c0757 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, E JONES WARREN, DIR. OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90225c0758 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, E JONES WARREN, DIR. OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90225c0760 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, MARTIN E KANTOR, CHAIRMAN OF WESTBRIDGE CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: WBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90225c0761 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, MARTIN E KANTOR, CHAIRMAN OF WESTBRIDGE CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: WBC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 784,394.

-30- 331
#90225c0762 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, DONALD W LOHIN, VP OF WICAT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: WCAT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 305
#90225c0763 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, STANSFIELD TURNER, DIR. OF WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: WCTV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 326

#90225c0764 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90225c0765 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90225c0766 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90225c0768 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90225c0769 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90225c0770 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304

#90225c0771 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90225c0772 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90225c0773 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 372,400.

-30- 338
#90225c0774 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, J STEVEN BERGERSON, VP OF WASTE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: WMX), SOLD 16,852 SHARES AT $43.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 121,166.

-30- 322
#90225c0776 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, WILLIAM P HULLIGAN, VP OF WASTE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: WMX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $40.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90225c0777 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, WILLIAM P HULLIGAN, VP OF WASTE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: WMX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $41.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90225c0778 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, WILLIAM P HULLIGAN, VP OF WASTE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: WMX), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $41.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,383.

-30- 321
#90225c0779 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, FRANCIS B MOORE, VP OF WASTE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: WMX), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $43.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,970.

-30- 312
#90225c0780 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, KANEASTER HODGES JR, DIR. OF WORTHEN BANKING CORP. (TICKER: WOR), SOLD 1,088 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 316
#90225c0781 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, WILLIAM T CASPERS, DIR. OF WESCO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WSC), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $55.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 316
#90225c0782 08/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 29, 1990, W DAVID HEMINGWAY, SHAREHOLDER OF ZIONS BANCORP. (TICKER: ZION), BOUGHT 111 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 197.

-30- 322
#90225d0050 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 13)- Iraq's attitude is "not constructive", a Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman said here Monday, adding that Baghdad's conditions for the withdrawal of its troops from Kuwait were unlikely to be met.

Speaking of the Iraqi president's "so-called initiative" for the withdrawal of its forces from Kuwait, Yuri Gremytskikh said: "The main thing is to see whether the conditions put forward by Saddam Hussein are attainable".

"At the moment, it is clear that realisation of such proposals is unlikely " he told a news briefing.

Mr. Hussein Sunday issued a three-point plan to end the Gulf crisis, including "an immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Israel from the occupied Arab territories, in Palestine, Syria and Lebanon, withdrawal of Syria from Lebanon, withdrawal between Iraq and Iran and laying down of arrangements for the case of Kuwait".

The Soviet Union "is keeping in contact with Iraq at all levels, including at the top so that Iraq understands that its way of acting is not constructive", Mr. Gremytskikh said.

"One must continue diplomatic efforts so that United Nations resolutions are implemented," he added.

Asked about the United States dispatch of troops to Saudi Arabia, the spokesman said: "We have accepted the fact that the troops are considered defensive forces, that it is a temporary measure and that at the first opportunity they will be withdrawn".

The United States are "responsable for their decisions and are conscious that the level of their troops is not superior to the critical level for this region," he said.

On the presence of two Soviet warships in the Gulf region, Mr. Gremytskikh said their role was to protect Soviet merchant shipping rather than "control or inspect other ships. That is our current approach," he said.

Meanwhile, the Soviet Government newspaper Izvestia reported Monday that a combined military operation by the Soviet Union and other nations "had not been envisaged by the chiefs of staff".

Soviet military advisors currently in Iraq did not play any part in assisting the Iraqi president or his armed forces in the current operations, Izvestia also said, quoting the Defence Ministry.

Meanwhile, a special commission set up by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in connection with the Gulf crisis is now coordinating plans for

the evacuation of Soviet citizens from the region, Tass news agency reported Monday.

The commission, headed by deputy Prime Minister Igor Belusov, and which includes officials from the Foreign Ministry, is working on evacuation routes, the provision of Soviet citizens with transport and food and security issues, the Foreign Ministry told Tass.

Mr. Gremytskikh said for his part: "There are talks in progress" with Baghdad on the evacuation of Soviet citizens, notably from Kuwait.

Asked about the possible arrival of an Iraqi emissary here, the spokesman simply said that he too "had heard of such rumors".

Iraqi officials have assured the Soviet side through diplomatic channels that Soviet citizens are under "no direct threat" in the crisis zone and have promised a correct and considerate attitude towards them during the evacuation, Tass said.

Baghdad is currently stopping West Europeans and U.S. citizens from leaving Iraq and Kuwait.

On Saturday, Tass reported that Moscow was taking "concrete measures" to evacuate the 880 Soviet citizens in Kuwait and the 7,830 in Iraq in accordance with an agreement with Baghdad.

-30- 3738

#90225d0110 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 13) - Eurotunnel, the Franco-British consortium responsible for building the Channel tunnel between England and France, said on Monday that it was having serious difficulties in raising two billion pounds (3.74 billion dollars) required to complete the project.

The financing is due to be completed in August, but so far only 1.1 billion pounds has been raised, the consortium said. Eurotunnel informed the British and French stock market authorities on Monday that completion of the financing package might have to be postponed until September.

The banks handling the financing of the tunnel had asked the banking syndicate to put back the deadline for completing the package, Eurotunnel said. Of 210 banks involved in negotiations, 93, representing 31 percent of loan financing for the project, have so far declined to participate and 26 banks covering 11 percent have not replied to the request.

If the money is not raised by the beginning of September, a 500 million pound (925 million dollars) rights issue planned for October would be delayed, the consortium said.

Eurotunnel chairman Andre Benard said that the consortium would have to ask for amendments to the conditions of the original loan if financing the new borrowing were delayed.

"Although the progress of banks in the syndicate has not been as fast as we had hoped during the annual holiday period, they are doing all in their power to enable us to go ahead with the rights issue in October," he said. The banks are to guarantee the rights issue, on condition that the new financing has been found.

"It is a matter which is in the hands of the syndicate, and I remain convinced that the banks want the project to succeed, but I am also aware that this is a matter where things are not going as quickly as planned," Benard said.

News of the latest hiccup in the financing of the project came as tunnellers from the British and French sides of the Channel were only five kilometers (three miles) apart, and were expected to meet up under the sea in November.

The cost of the project has soared, with the total cost being revised in April to 76.6 billion francs (almost 13.7 billion dollars,) against an initial figure of 50 billion (nine billion dollars).

-30- 2485

#90225d0120 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 13) - The Soviet Union Monday described Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's peace plan of the day before as lacking realism.

Saddam proposed linking an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait to an Israeli pullout from the West Bank and Gaza and a Syrian withdrawal from Lebanon.

''As far as this statement is concerned, one should consider how realistic the fulfulment of the conditions in it is,'' the deputy spokesman of the Soviet foreign ministry, Yuri Gremizkich, told reporters.

He said it was plain that the conditions could not all be fulfilled at once. He reiterated that Moscow favoured a ''peaceful political solution''.

Soviet foreign ministry spokesman Yuri Gremitskih said later that Soviet military advisers in Iraq were not involved in military plans.

''To my knowledge, there are no Soviet advisers in Iraq who participate in mapping out any concrete military plans,'' he said.

He repeated a Soviet defence ministry statement justifying Moscow's

military cooperations with Baghdad. The statement said the cooperation was never directed against a third country.

-30- 1290

#90225d0140 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (AUG. 13) - East German Disarmament and Defence Minister Rainer Eppelmann said here Monday, on the 29th anniversary of the construction of the Berlin Wall, that the wall will have disappeared by early December.

Mr. Eppelmann, a pastor and member of the small centre-right Democratic Renewal party, was talking to journalists at a commemoration ceremony for the 80 East Germans shot dead by security guards while trying to escape the country by climbing over the wall.

At the site where the East Germans were killed, Mr. Eppelmann placed in the ground a cement slab from the "anti-fascist defence wall", painted by East German soldiers and on which was fixed a Kalashnikov machine gun.

-30- 887

#90225d0240 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 13) - A hulking Iraqi circus strongman specializing in destroying cars and throwing tree trunks quit his job Monday as a performer in the Archaos Circus and was returning to Iraq to join the army a spokesman for the circus said.

The strongman, 23-year-old Zanouk el Habib who towers six feet nine inches off the ground and weighs an authoritative 380 pounds, was returning to Iraq because he was worried about his family and wanted to fight in the Iraqi Army if it should go to war, spokesman Mark Borkowski said.

"He was a very big part of the show," he added. "We suffer from injuries and this is one more thing."

The Archaos Circus, which features a mock chainsaw massacre and kamikaze ropemen, was due to perform on Tuesday at the Edinburgh International Festival. Mr. Borkowski said the show would go on.

-30- 998

#90225d0270 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG 13) - The Iraqi army has arrested some 200 Pakistanis in Kuwait and transported them to Baghdad, official sources said here Monday.

Another 100 Pakistanis who crossed over to Saudi Arabia and Jordan from Kuwait and Iraq reached home over the weekend.

Meanwhile, worried relatives of the more than 150,000 expatriate Pakistani workers continued to besiege the Pakistani foreign ministry and the embassies of Iraq and Kuwait for information.

Iraqi diplomats in Islamabad say all Pakistanis are free to leave but are unable to provide any information about them.

The Kuwaiti embassy has regretted that it has no contact with the country and so cannot help.

-30- 879

#90225d0290 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANAA (AUG. 13) - The Yemeni Government said Monday it will provide Iraq with any assistance it needs in defiance of a U.N. Security Council resolution imposing sanctions against Baghdad, saying it could not starve an Arab state.

Yemeni Foreign Minister Abdel Karim al-Iriani also told a news conference that his country backed a three-point Iraqi initiative for a "comprehensive settlement" to the Gulf crisis.

The initiative announced Sunday in Baghdad by President Saddam Hussein calls for an "immediate and unconditional" Israeli withdrawal from Arab occupied territory as well as a Syrian troop pullout from Lebanon.

Iraq also called on the United States to remove its troops from Saudi Arabia and said they could be replaced by an Arab force -- excluding Egypt -- chosen by the U.N. Security Council and in coordination between Baghdad and Riyadh.

The Iraqi president also proposed the"laying down of arrangements for the case of Kuwait", which his troops invaded on August 2 and annexed one week later, and asked in exchange that international sanctions against his country be lifted.

Mr. Iriani said the Iraqi initative provided a "global solution for all the problems in the region."

The Yemeni foreign minister -- whose country abstained from a U.N. Security Council vote on August 6 to impose sanctions against Iraq -- said Sanaa will not respect the U.N. vote.

"Yemen will not hesitate to supply any assistance at Iraq's request," he said, adding that his country could not "starve an Arab."

These remarks come as the United States and Britain vowed to take specific action to enforce the blockade against Iraq to ensure that oil exports from

Iraq and Kuwait do not leave the region and that no food and supplies reach them.

An unnamed U.S. official quoted in the Washington Post on Monday Washington said American troops would "open fire on a ship if it did not stop".

In London, Foreign Office Minister William Waldegrave said the British Navy will board vessels in the Gulf travelling to Iraq with food and supplies in defiance of the international sanctions.

-30- 2321
#90225d0400 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (AUG. 13) - The Palestinian fundamentalist group Hamas on Monday urged Baghdad to order an attack on central Tel Aviv if Iraq were attacked by Western military powers.

A statement distributed in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip appealed to Arabs to take their battle to Israeli soil and called on Iraq to "strike the heart of Tel Aviv" in retaliation for any possible Western aggression.

It also called on Arabs to attack U.S interests across the world and said all forms of dialogue between Arab states and Washington should cease.

Hamas, which is the acronym for the Islamic Resistance Mouvement, ordered Washington to pull out U.S. troops sent to Saudi Arabia in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The group also called on inhabitants of the occupied territories to observe a general strike on Wednesday "in support of Iraq and to protest against the American occupation of Moslem states."

Palestinians in the occupied territories have been holding anti-U.S. and pro-Iraqi demonstrations since the first U.S. troops were deployed Thursday in Saudi Arabia to protect the kingdom against any Iraqi attack.

-30- 1357
#90225d0440 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (AUG. 13) - East German Defence Minister Rainer Eppelmann and the mayors of East and West Berlin marked the 29th anniversary of the Berlin Wall on Monday by honouring victims killed in escape bids.

Eppelmann unveiled a plaque in commemoration of the Berlin Wall victims and described it ''a symbol of victory against division and threat''.

The plaque, on which a broken Soviet-made Kalashnikov submachine-gun is

mounted, was in memory of Peter Fechter, who was shot dead by East German border troops while trying to flee across the wall in 1962.

It was the first commemoration ceremony attended by mayors from the two halves of the city.

East German border troops killed 80 would-be escapers between 1961, when the wall was built, and 1989, when East Germany's communist government collapsed.

Large sections of the wall have been pulled down since the beginning of the year and it is expected to disappear altogether in time for German unity projected for December.

-30- 1168

#90225d0500 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARBEL, LIBERIA (AUG. 13) - The leader of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL), Charles Taylor, Monday accepted an invitation to go to Banjul from Gambian President Dawda Jawara, an NPFL communique released here said.

The communique said that Mr. Taylor had accepted the invitation and would meet with President Jawara in a few days. No precise date for the visit was given.

Mr. Taylor will also "be communicating" with Nigerian President Ibrahim Babangida, Ghanaian President Jerry Rawlings and the Chairman of the Organisation of African Unity (OAU) Yoweri Museweni, the NPFL communique said.

Nigeria, Ghana, Guinea, Sierra Leone and Gambia will form a peacekeeping force being assembled by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) to bring an end to the civil war that has ravaged Liberia for eight months.

Mr. Taylor has denounced foreign intervention in the Liberian civil war on several occasions, insisting that the conflict remains an internal matter.

But Mr. Taylor' decision to go to Gambia for talks suggests a softening of his stance against any form of intervention by other African states.

"It is the president's (Mr. Taylor's) considered view that ECOWAS has a role to play, and an even wider one for the OAU. He is convinced that a meaningful solution can be worked out," the communique said.

-30- 1549

#90225d0550 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (AUG. 13) - Units of the Syrian army stationed in Lebanon have been recalled to Syria ahead of plans by Damascus to send troops to the Gulf, reliable sources said here Monday.

Witnesses meanwhile said that Syrian troops were seen Monday leaving mostly Moslem west Beirut and the Shouf mountains southeast of the capital in convoys of armoured vehicles.

But neither the reliable sources nor the witnesses were able to say how many troops were involved in these operations and the Syrian military command in Beirut was unreachable for confirmation.

Earlier, an influential newspaper close to both Syrian and Moslem circles said that Syria had decided to send a "symbolic force" to Saudi Arabia in keeping with an Arab League resolution endorsed Friday by 12 of the League's 20 members.

As-Safir newspaper, citing an unnamed senior Syrian official, said the decision underlines a Syrian wish to give the Arabs a role in any settlement of the Gulf crisis triggered by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The semi-official Egyptian daily Al-Ahram said over the weekend that Syria would send troops to Saudi Arabia and President Hosni Mubarak, whose country has committed troops to the Gulf, later hinted that Damascus would join an Arab force.

Syria has not denied or confirmed any of these reports. Damascus was among the 12 Arab states to approve the deployment of an Arab force in the Gulf.

-30- 1608

#90225d0590 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 13) - Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel-Meguid Monday called Iraq President Saddam Hussein's proposals to solve the Gulf crisis unclear, the Egyptian Mena news agency reported.

Saddam proposed Sunday that Arab forces replace U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia as a first step in defusing the crisis. But he linked the proposals to the solution of ''all issues of occupation'' in the Middle East, including an immediate Israeli withdrawal from the occupied territories, a Syrian pullout from Lebanon and the removal of Western and Egyptian troops from the Gulf.

Abdel-Meguid said Cairo insisted on an immediate Iraqi troop pullout from Kuwait, which Baghdad annexed, following its invasion on August 2. Saddam had failed to clarify his proposals sufficiently, the minister said.

Kuwaiti Minister of State for Cabinet Affairs Abdel-Rahman al-Awadi rejected the Iraqi proposal. Emerging from a meeting with Meguid, al-Awadi said the Palestine issue could not be compared with the occupation by another Arab country of Kuwait.

Saddam's proposal was designed only to provoke Arabs, he said. He had hoped that the Palestinians had not accepted the occupation of Kuwait. Such a stance amounted to an acceptance of the Israeli occupation of Palestine, Al-Awadi added.

Al-Awadi called for a stepping up of pressure on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

He called on Iraqis to come to the aid of Kuwait. The annextation of his country was the worst case of tyranny ever committed by an Arab against a fellow Arab, he said.

-30- 1750

#90225d0710 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (AUG. 13) - Jane Dempsey Douglass, a Presbyterian theology professor from Princeton University in the United States, has been elected president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, it was announced here Monday by the Alliance's executive council.

She replaces the prominent South African churchman and foe of apartheid, Allan Boesak, 45, who resigned from the presidency last week after an extramarital affair.

-30- 622

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) - The United States, which has announced its forces will enforce a U.N. economic embargo against Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, Monday carefully avoided using the word "blockade" -- which legal experts said could be considered an act of war.

Washington on Sunday termed its actions regarding Iraqi shipping an "interdiction."

In Baghdad, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz warned that any bid by the United States to intercept Iraqi oil tankers in the Gulf would be considered an "act of aggression."

"Let's not use the word 'blockade'," Secretary of State James Baker said in

announcing the U.S. decision Sunday.

"No point getting into all these semantics," President George Bush said a short while later from his vacation home in Kennebunkport, Maine.

But semantics are becoming a weapon in the intensifying U.S. war of words with Iraq, as it was in 1962, when U.S. forces "quarantined" Cuba to block the delivery of Soviet missiles to that Caribbean island nation.

This time, Mr. Baker used the term "interdiction," whose usage in a military scenario was unfamiliar to military experts questioned.

He said a request from the Kuwait's deposed government provided the legal basis -- under Article 51 of the U.N. charter -- for the United States and other nations to halt Iraqi exports.

Article 51 recognizes the inherent right of U.N. members to engage in individual or collective self-defense when a U.N. member state is subject to armed aggression.

The U.N. Security Council on August 6 unanimously approved a trade and arms embargo against Iraq and occupied Kuwait, which Iraq seized August 2.

Friday, Mr. Baker told journalists at the headquarters of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) in Brussels that there was not necessarily a unanimity of opinion among the allies on enforcing the U.N. sanctions.

"It is the view of some of us that we have the legal authority necessary to institute such an embargo or blockade, provided that the request comes from the legitimitate government of Kuwait," he said.

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AMMAN (AUG. 13) - Jordan officially asked the U.N. Security Council to examine the negative effect the endorsement of international sanctions against Iraq would have on its economy, a reliable source said Monday.

(In Israel, military officials quoted by the newspaper Davar charged that Jordan was allowing supplies to enter Iraq through the Red Sea port of Aqaba while Israeli television on Sunday broadcast footage of what it said were trucks moving off vessels at Aqaba.)

Jordan is arguing that Article 50 of the U.N. charter stipulates that any country, whether or not it belongs to the United Nations, can appeal to the Security Council for help with financial problems engendered by respect for U.N.-sponsored sanctions.

According to the source the Jordanian Government is currently considering the effect of an embargo on Iraq and initial indications are that it would result in "enormous" losses to Jordan's economy.

Iraq owes Jordan 360 million dollars, but instead of reimbursing its debt Baghdad supplies Jordan with most of its oil needs.

Iraq also grants Jordan considerable financial aid, said to amount to 50 million dollars in 1990 alone, and Baghdad reimburses Amman 144 million dollars a year in foreign currency, the source said.

Jordanian industry depends largely on the Iraqi market, its top trade partner, with sales receipts totalling 25 percent of Jordan's overall exports.

King Hussein said on Wednesday that his country was examining ways of implementing sanctions against Iraq, two days after the U.N. Security Council overwhelmingly passed a resolution imposed trade and arms embargo

Analysts have said that for the sanctions to be effective they should be respected by all countries, regardless of whether they are members of the United Nations.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) - The United States said several ships in the Gulf region which had been about to load or deliver Iraqi cargo turned back Monday before reaching their ports of destination, in accordance with the United Nations-imposed embargo against Iraq.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater, speaking at President George Bush's holiday home in Kennebunkport, Maine, gave no details about the ports involved, the types of cargo or the ships' countries of origin.

In one case, he said, Saudi port authorities had refused to provide tugs for an incoming ship.

He did not reveal whether this was the Iraqi ship which tried to load oil at Yanbu in the Red Sea, terminal of the Iraqi oil pipeline through Saudi Arabia.

On Sunday, the ousted Kuwaiti government had asked the U.S. and other countries to stop the vessel.

According to Fitzwater, American naval vessels so far have not stopped any ships in the region.

He underlined however that the Bush administration was determined to ''intercept'' all sea transports to and from Iraq.

Saying that the embargo so far had worked ''excellently'', Fitzwater expressed hope that Jordan would also fully support the sanctions.

There have been fears in the U.S. that the embargo might become ineffective if shipments are made through the Jordanian port of Aqaba.

The White House spokesman said several Americans in the past few days had through their own initiative managed to leave Kuwait or Iraq.

However, the ban imposed by Iraq on Western foreign nationals leaving the country appeared to remain in force. On Monday, a convoy of automobiles carrying U.S. citizens was stopped before the Saudi border.

President Bush planned to interrupt his three-week holiday on the Atlantic seashore on Tuesday and Wednesday for budget consultations in Washington.

On Tuesday his schedule called for talks with advisers on the tight budget situation and upcoming negotiations with the oppositional Democrats on the 1991 budget.

Among the factors to be considered are the costs of the U.S. military involvement in Saudi Arabia.

A day later Bush planned a Pentagon briefing on the progress of the U.S. troop deployment.

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AMMAN (AUG. 13) - Two hundred Indian Moslems, who had been trapped in Iraq since its August 2 invasion of Kuwait, arrived Monday in Jordan, the Indian consulate said.

The Indians were among a group of 700 Shiite pilgrims who had been visiting Moslem sites in Iraq, the consulate said.

They left Iraq by road and and entered Jordan at the Roweished border post, 270 kilometers (167 miles) east of Amman.

Indian Minister of Energy Mohammad Aref Khan was expected here later Monday aboard a special plane to repatriate the pilgrims.

The government in New Delhi has meanwhile asked Jordan's national carrier Royal Jordanian to charter three planes for the other 500 Indians expected

to arrive here from Iraq in the next few day ahead of their return home, a spokesman for the airlines said.

The Polish charge d'affaires Marian Dabrowski said 13 Polish nationals had also come by road from Iraq.

"They are fine and have not met with any difficulties along the way," said Mr. Dabrowski, adding that he accepted more Polish nationals since many are working in Kuwait and Iraq.

Algerian diplomats also said that 12 of their nationals had arrived Monday in Jordan from Kuwait and Iraq and were waiting to catch flights home.

Iraq said Sunday it would "facilitate" the travel of foreigners from Kuwait city but it was not clear if this meant they would be able to leave the country or just travel inside Iraqi and Kuwaiti territory.

Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2 and annexed it one week later.

Some foreigners trapped there, most of them diplomats, have been able to leave overland through Jordan and Saudi Arabia, which also shares borders with Iraq.

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#90225d1090 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (AUG. 13) - Ghana's head of state Jerry Rawlings on Monday appealed for international support for the Economic Community of West African states (ECOWAS) in its efforts to bringing peace to war-torn Liberia.

He said most West African countries faced economic problems and the operation in Liberia would stretch their budgets. He added that this did not mean that they should shy away from their reponsibility of assisting a fellow African country.

The Ghanaian leader said some countries have committed men and equipment to the ECOWAS monitoring group (ECOMOG) set up last week to keep the peace in Liberia. Others in the sub-region that have not been called on to provide men should help out financially to stop the carnage, he said.

Ghana, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Guinea and the Gambia are contributing some 2,500 troops to ECOMOG.

Flight Lieutenant Rawlings, who was among seven ECOWAS leaders who decided to form ECOMOG last Tuesday indicated that the United Nations may help ECOMOG.

ECOMOG, under Ghanaian Lieutenant General Arnold Quainoo has been gathering

in Sierra Leone to move into Liberia.

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LONDON (AUG. 13) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

	cash	forward
Copper	1,582.50 (1,616.00)	1,535.50 (1,558.50)
Lead	454.00 (464.00)	459.50 (466.50)
Zinc Sh	1,624.00 (1,619.50)	1,541.00 (1,539.00)
Tin	6,027.50 (5,990.00)	6,150.00 (6,115.00)
Aluminium	1,809.50 (1,776.00)	1,828.50 (1,797.50)
Nickel	11,025.00 (10,838.00)	10,512.00 (10,400.00)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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ISLAMABAD (AUG. 13) - Pakistan declared Monday it would participate alongside forces from other Islamic states in defending Saudi Arabia following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The foreign ministry said Pakistan "had decided, in principle, to accede to the Saudi request for joining the Islamic contingents being sent to Saudi Arabia for its defence."

"The details of this assistance will be worked out expeditiously in consultation with the government of the kingdom of Saudi Arabia," the announcement said.

The decision followed talks here between a special envoy of Saudi King Fahd and President Ghulam Ishaq Khan and interim prime minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi.

Egypt has already started despatching troops to the kingdom and there were indications that Morocco and Syria would follow suit. Troops from the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Oman and Bahrain are part of a Gulf Cooperation Council force reported to be already based in Saudi Arabia.

The Pakistani announcement came only a week after the abrupt ouster of Benazir Bhutto, who was replaced by a caretaker prime minister.

The Saudi envoy, who was not named, conveyed to the Pakistani leaders a message from the Saudi monarch "asking for Pakistan's assistance in this

moment of peril," the foreign ministry statement said.

The statement said the "grave situation" in the Gulf was reviewed Monday at a high level meeting at the military high command headquarters. The meeting was attended by Mr. Ishaq Khan, the prime minister, the foreign minister and the chiefs of the army, navy and air force.

It said the "growing concern" of the government and the people of Pakistan about the "threat posed to security of Saudi Arabia by the concentration of Iraqi troops on its border" was recently conveyed to King Fahd.

In his message to King Fahd, "custodian of two holy Moslem shrines, Makkah and Medina," the president had expressed "Pakistan's solidarity with the fraternal kingdom of Saudi Arabia."

The foreign ministry statement said the Pakistan cabinet would be meeting shortly in special session to "consider further the serious implications" of the Gulf situation for regional peace and stability in the wake of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Pakistan took the decision to assist the kingdom, "keeping in mind the time-honoured friendship between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia" and resolutions issued by the U.N. Security Council, the Arab League and the Islamic Conference of foreign ministers, the statement said.

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#90225d1220 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 13) - The airlift of Nigerian troops under the aegis of the Economic Community of West African states (ECOWAS) monitoring group ended here Monday, sources at the airport told AFP.

The airlift started last Saturday following the approval of the Armed Forces Ruling Council (AFRC), the nation's highest decision-making body, which met here last Thursday and Friday.

This last batch of Nigerian troops were airlifted in an Air Force Hercules C-130 plane to Freetown, the sources said.

Although the total number of the contigent is not known, it is estimated that 700 Nigerian troops, made up of soldiers and air force servicemen are involved in the peace-keeping exercise.

The operation, supervised by top military officers, including the head of the brigade of guards, the elite unit of the army, started last Saturday with the airlift of 300 troops in three Nigerian Air Force Hercules C-130 which were assisted in the exercise Sunday by a DC-10.

The troops left with rifles, crates of weapons, barbed wire, daggers, shovels and food provisions, journalists at the airport said.

Before the first batch departed at the weekend, the troops had already been briefed on the nature of their assignment and the international regulations guiding peace-keeping operations, sources in the presidency here said.

A top military source said that Nigerian armed forces were familiar with peace-keeping opearations, adding that they had performed with credit during the past 20 years in similar assignments in Lebanon, Congo and Chad and were currently being used as observers of the Iran-Iraq ceasefire.

The dozen Nigerian journalists accompanying the troops have all been selected from the government-owned media, which observers said could be intended to ensure that only government-approved version of the force's activities are reported.

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#90225d1320 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABOARD THE USS INDEPENDENCE IN THE GULF OF OMAN (AUG. 13) - U.S. fighter pilots from this aircraft carrier have not sighted any Iraqi aircraft since they began missions over the Gulf three days after the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, a U.S. Navy officer says.

Captain Jay Yakeley, commander of the Navy Air Wing 14 aboard the Independence, said his pilots had had "no close encounters" and in fact had not seen any Iraqi planes.

He made the remarks to a visiting Pentagon regional media pool whose report was released Monday. The pool earlier visited the USS La Salle, the command ship of the nine-vessel U.S. naval task force on station in the Gulf.

The Independence and its escort of six ships are on station in the Gulf of Oman where they arrived after breaking off exercises at the U.S. naval base on the Indian Ocean island of Diego Garcia, 4,000 kilometers (2,500 miles) south.

Capt. Yakeley said his pilots -- who average about 18-20 years old -- were flying F-14 jet fighters equipped with three types of air-to-air missiles, including the top-secret Phoenix which can hit an opponent at "long distance."

They can perform missions lasting four hours and remain aloft indefinitely if refueled by U.S. Air Force KC-135 and KC-10 tanker planes now based in Saudi Arabia, he added.

Of the Iraqi pilots, Capt. Yakeley said: "Many of them are combat-tested

against Iran, we know that. We know the type of training they have. They probably have some real good pilots and some that are not so good."

An officer in the carrier's combat information center said P-3 Orion surveillance aircraft from the Iranian Air Force were spotted in the area.

"But they don't get too close. They are very friendly. We talk to them and they talk to us," he added.

Rear Admiral William Fogarty, commander of U.S. forces in the Gulf and the north Arabian and Red Seas, told a briefing that U.S. forces were outfitted with protective gear, masks and antidotes to deal with chemical warfare.

Pentagon officials have noted that the Iraqis used mustard and nerve gas in their 1980-88 war against Iran and even against their own Kurdish minority.

"The fact that they do have chemical weapons is disturbing to everybody...But we are a trained force, if they happen to employ them," said Rear Adm. Fogarty.

On the Independence, Rear Adm. Jerry Unruh said the chances of such an attack were "very, very slim."

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PARIS (AUG. 13) - A plane carrying French-made gas masks left here for the Gulf state of Qatar on Monday, and similar deliveries will follow soon, officials said.

French President Francois Mitterand recently said he would support Gulf states, who fear a possible war in the region, involving the use of chemical arms.

Tension has been rising in the Gulf, following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2 and the subsequent deployment of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia in order to deter Iraq from attacking the kingdom. Iraq possesses a large arsenal of chemical weapons.

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#90225d1550 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (AUG. 13) - The British Government has donated 200,000 pounds (375,000 dollars) to help Sierre Leone Government cope with the influx of refugees from the Liberian civil war, a senior Western diplomat said here on Monday.

The amount will be paid to the United Nations High Commissioner for

Refugees headquarters in Geneva. He said this was in addition to the quarter of a million U.S. dollars which the British Government had already donated to the general appeal launched by the UNHCR to aid all refugees to Liberia's neighbours, Ivory Coast, Guinea and Sierra Leone.

According to Sierra Leone's armed forces commander, Major Heneral Mohamed Tarawallie, the number of refugees in Sierra Leone now stands at 70,000.

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#90225d1660 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 13) - Authorities in Saudi Arabia Monday turned back Jordanians who tried to cross by land and stopped renewing residence permits for Jordanians working in the kingdom, a Jordanian official confirmed.

He said that despite an official Saudi denial of any new measures against Jordanians, ''we have information that they (the Saudis) have, at least now, stopped renewing residency permits and that some Jordanians have been harassed by Saudi citizens and officials.''

The official said the government was seeking clarification from Saudi Arabia on reported clashes between Jordanians and Saudis in the kingdom.

Jordan, a close ally of Iraq throughout the 8-year Gulf war, has refrained from joining Saudi Arabia and Gulf states in condemning the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Instead, Jordan rejected the principle of acquisition of land by force and refused to recognise the Iraqi annexation of Kuwait.

Amman also abstained and refused to join 12 other Arab states who voted at the Cairo summit Friday in favour of sending Arab forces to join an international force stationed in Saudi Arabia.

Diplomatic souces said the Saudi government was ''disturbed by the Jordanian position'', which was that Amman would send troops only to replace foreign forces in the Gulf.

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MOSCOW (AUG. 13) - President Mikhail Gorbachev has restored the rights of all victims of political repression from the 1920s to the 1950s in a decree published Monday by TASS news agency.

The decree covers the lifting of all accusations against farmers during the collectivisation program introduced under Joseph Stalin, and restores the political rights of all citizens condemned for "political, social, national, religious and other reasons."

The restoration of rights does not apply to those "justly" found guilty of "crimes against the state or Soviet citizens" before, during and after World War II, the decree stated.

The decree also denounces Stalinist repression beginning in the mid-1920s, apparently drawing a distinction between the Stalinist period and the Soviet Union under Lenin, who died in 1924.

While many of the better known victims of Stalinist repression have been rehabilitated little by little since 1985, it has not been the same case for the innumerable and anonymous victims of Stalin's farm collectivisation program.

Experts have been unable to agree on the number of people who died because of the forced collectivisation of farms in the 1930s, with estimates varying between three million and 13 million dead.

Mr. Gorbachev called on the Soviet government and the governments of the republics to put forward proposals that would "reestablish the rights of citizens that suffered from repression.

Supervision of the rehabilitation of victims of repression will be confided to the presidential council, one of two bodies, one along with the Federation Council, recently created to help the president make major decisions.

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#90225d1740 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) - A saudi official dismissed Baghdad's proposed settlement Monday as ''a manoeuver'', and said the Iraqi invasion has shattered Arab unity.

Prince Bandar bin Sultan, Saudi Arabia's ambassador to the United States, said the offer should have been put in more positive terms if Iraqi President Saddam Hussein meant it to show flexibility.

''It is a manoeuver that will not succeed, and it is unfortunate,'' Bandar told reporters. ''Why should Israel withdraw from the West Bank and Gaza to save Kuwait, when the Arabs aren't willing to save Kuwait?''

''We want to liberate the Palestinian people in the West Bank, Gaza, East Jerusalem, and the Golan Heights. We are supporting their cause. But this is not the way to serve their cause,'' he said.

The prince disparaged the fact that the Iraqi invasion had divided the Arab world and made Arabs guilty of the same things that they have criticized

Israel for doing.

Arabs were no longer on the ''moral high ground'', chastising Israel for its occupation of neighboring territories, he said, because an Arab state is now behaving the same way.

Bandar said Riyadh was ''very disillusioned'' and ''hurt'' by Jordan's unwillingness to back the country in its time of need, and by reports that Jordan might allow Iraq to use its port of Aqaba.

The ambassador, who said his country did everything it possibly could to resolve the situation before calling for U.S. help, said Saudi Arabia will build up its defences in the future so that it will be capable of handling future crises alone.

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#90225d1750 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 13) - Two Belgian minesweepers and a command and support ship will take part in the international operation to enforce sanctions against Iraq, the Belgian Government announced Monday.

The ships will be dispatched to the Mediterranean, prior to a meeting of the Western European Union (WEU) next week that will decide whether to send WEU ships to the Gulf and how to coordinate their operations, it said in a communique.

The WEU comprises nine European members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). The meeting, comprising defence and foreign ministers, will be held in Paris either next Monday or Tuesday.

The communique, read by Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens after a cabinet meeting, pledged Belgium's support for "ending Iraq's aggression against Kuwait and its annexation of that country."

But it also stressed "the importance of continuing European-Arab dialogue" and the search for a diplomatic solution that would avoid bloodshed. "All parties concerned must show great self-restraint," the communique said.

The command and support ship will be the Zinnia, listed as a 23-year-old 2,685-ton vessel equipped with 40-mm guns and a helicopter, the communique said.

The three ships, with about 180 men on board, should be ready to sail by late Wednesday, but would take nearly three weeks to reach the Gulf, Belgian officials said.

They will "join the forces that have already been deployed by other

countries, although their future mission and effective role in the effort of solidarity will determined after the WEU meeting," the communique said.

Eyskens and Defence Minister Guy Coeme said the government had decided to wait for the WEU meeting because it wanted close coordination between naval forces in the Gulf and good protection for the Belgian ships.

The WEU, the sole all-European defence organization, comprises Britain, France - which have already sent ships to the Gulf - the Benelux countries, Spain, Italy, West Germany, and Portugal.

The organization pledges mutual defence among its members in case of attack. But its military functions were superseded by NATO and, politically, the WEU has remained dormant throughout most of its 41-year existence.

Belgium sent a similar naval force to the Gulf under WEU auspices from November 1987 to November 1988 to help in anti-mine cooperations. The three ships identified and exploded five mines.

The Flemish Socialist Party, one of the five parties in the Belgian coalition government, said the ships should only be sent under United Nations flags, reliable sources said.

But Eyskens argued against this, they said. He pointed out that a U.N. decision would require unanimity in the Security Council and China was indicating its opposition, they said.

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GRASSE, France (AUG. 13) - A child was possibly steering a speed boat which was involved in a fatal accident with an inflatable dinghy in the Mediterranean two years ago, passengers on the dinghy said Monday.

The speed boat's owner, Briton David Morris, is currently in detention here charged with manslaughter in connection with the accident off Antibes which left one person dead and another injured.

The witnesses were quoted by lawyer Michel Barreau, representing the family of Thomas Difava who was killed in the collision.

Mr. Morris maintains that he was steering his boat but that a motor boat dragging a "ski bus", or dinghy, pulled in front of his craft. He says that he was unaware of any accident.

A reconstitution of the accident is to be staged next month.

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#90225d1900 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DAMASCUS (AUG. 13) - U.S. envoy John Kelly arrived here Monday on his second visit to Damascus in five days after missions to Saudi Arabia and Cairo for talks on the Gulf crisis.

The U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs was met by senior officials from the Syrian Foreign Ministry as well as U.S. ambassador Edward Peter Djerejian, officials here said.

It was not immediately clear what brought Mr. Kelly back to Damascus and whether he will be having more talks with Syrian officials on the situation in the Gulf following Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

But Mr. Kelly's second visit to Syria in less than a week comes one day after U.S. President George Bush announced that he had had a "good talk" by telephone Sunday with Syrian President Hafez al-Assad on the need to impose sanctions on Iraq.

Mr. Kelly first visited Syria on Thursday and then left after three days for Saudi Arabia and Cairo.

The Syrian President on Monday received the deposed prime minister of Kuwait, Crown Prince Saad al-Abdallah al-Sabah.

Sheikh Saad delivered a message from Kuwaiti emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, the official Syrian news agency SANA reported.

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#90225d1920 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DHAKA (AUG. 13) - Some 200 Bangladeshi students demonstrated Monday for the withdrawal of U.S. forces from the Gulf.

The students, from the Swadin Jubo Andolon (Free Youth Movement), marched to the U.S. Embassy in Dhaka chanting slogans such as "Americans get out from Islam's holy land" and "break the black hands of American imperialists."

Police detained several protestors but released them after several hours.

The anti-American demonstration came a day after some 500 students belonging to the rightist Jamaat-e-Islami political party protested outside the Iraqi embassy against Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Bangladesh has deplored the Iraqi invasion and backed the United Nations Security Council resolution on mandatory sanctions against Iraq and other

resolutions of the Organisation of Islamic Conference.

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#90225d1960 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (AUG. 13) - The U.N. Security Council met briefly in New York Monday to review the Gulf situation and there was agreement to speak with one voice on the military measures taken by the United States, according to Canadian U.N. Ambassador Yves Fortier.

''We are definitely not talking about a blockade,'' Fortier said, adding, ''Whatever differences in the council exist, we still speak with one voice.''

He reported that a supervisory committee installed by the Security Council to monitor the economic and trade sanctions against Iraq has started to operate and would meet toward the end of this week. Its objective is to find out whether the sanctions are being complied with.

Fortier said the entire situation in the Gulf was reviewed and that several countries explained their positions. A u.S. representative explained to the council the measures which U.S. Secretary of State James Basker had outlined Sunday.

U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar had earlier on Monday opposed the use of the word ''blockade'' in regard to joint actions by the United States and other countries in the Gulf.

''Only the United Nations, through its Security Council resolutions, can really decide about a blockade. That's why I think we have to avoid the word 'blockade''', he said.

Meanwhile in Kennebunkport, Maine, where U.S. President George Bush is spending his vacation, one of the White House spokesmen said the United States would use force to press the sanctions imposed by the United Nations against Iraq.

''We'd use force if necessary,'' said Douglas Davidson after consultations among members of the administration. He gave no further details.

Earlier, White House Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater in the daily press briefing had underlined in general terms the determination of the Bush administration to prevent goods shipments by sea from Iraq and into Iraq.

The Washington Post quoted a U.S. official, whom it did not identify, as saying: ''We will fire on a ship if it won't stop... We'll do the usual things - warn them off, fire a shot across the bow. But if it comes to that, there is no question what we will do.''

Meanwhile, a dispute has surfaced as to whether the sanctions imposed by the Security Council warrant a military blockade by the U.S. of imports and exports to and from Iraq.

Bush has ordered U.S. vessels stationed in the area to stop ships that may try to violate the embargo, but his position does not agree with the positions taken by France and Perez de Cuellar.

The U.S. government, while in fact imposing an embargo, prefers to use the term ''interdiction''.

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OSLO (AUG. 13) - The Norwegian state oil company, Statoil, reported Monday mid-year profits of 5.52 billion crowns (894.6 million dollars) before extraordinary items, well up from 2.79 billion crowns (452.2 million dollars) in the same period last year.

The improved results are due to a drastic cut in operating costs, higher oil production and reduced debt payments, Statoil said. In the last 18 months Statoil has reduced long-term debts by eight billion crowns, thereby cutting interest payments by 635 million crowns.

Statoil launched a money-saving program last year which, in two years, should reduce costs by two billion crowns and cut personnel by 15 percent.

Due to the present situation in the Gulf, Statoil, Norway's biggest oil company, is expecting output to increase in the next six months. With a price level of 20 to 23 dollars a barrel, the result in the second half of 1990 is likely to in line with or somewhat better than the first half year the company said. Statoil stressed that prospects are very uncertain.

This year's preliminary result is the best since the record year of 1985 when the price of oil exceeded 30 dollars a barrel, Statoil head of information Arild Steine said. So far this year, the reference price has averaged 17.90 dollars compared to 18.22 for the whole of 1989.

Statoil-operated fields in the North Sea account for around 1.0 million barrels a day of Norway's total oil production of 1.7 million barrels. The main Statoil fields are Statfjord, Veslefrikk and Gullfaks.

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#90225d2000 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 13) - As South Africa draws closer to the end of over three centuries of exclusive white rule, the state's powerful security

legislation has been identified as one of the main obstacles to the negotiation of a post-apartheid constitution.

Anti-apartheid activists headed by the African National Congress (Anc), the black liberation movement with which the government is currently engaged in preliminary peace talks, have identified the Internal Security Act (Isa) as a major stumbling block to constitutional reform.

According to the independent Human Rights Commission (Hrc), the Isa ''embodies virtually all of the elements perceived as negating and stultifying free political expression''.

The organisation describes the Isa as an anachronism ''completely out of step'' with the Groote Schuur Minute, the historic accord reached between the government and the Anc in the first round of ''talks about talks'' in Cape Town on May 4 this year.

Enacted in 1982, the Isa consolidated a host of its progenitors, including the Suppression of Communism Act, the Riotous Assemblies Act and the Terrorism Act.

The result, according to the Hrc, was ''the last word in security legislation, a monument to over 30 years of experience in drafting statutes which could defend apartheid security against its many opponents''.

It provides for detention without trial, and its notorious Section 29 allows for a detainee to be held in solitary confinement without access to lawyers, family, friends or anyone other than state officials ''until all questions are satisfactorily answered''.

In terms of the Isa police may ban political opponents, preventing them from communicating with people and restricting their movements. Organisations may be declared unlawful and thus be rendered useless.

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#90225d2020 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (AUG. 13) - Labour and Manpower Minister Sirajul Hossain Khan said here Monday that Bangladesh was seeking employment for its nationals displaced to Saudi Arabia following the invasion of Kuwait to keep up foreign exchange earnings.

Mr. Khan said he would discuss the issue with the Bangladesh Association of International Recruiting Agencies Tuesday and ask it to look for employment for Bangladeshis who fled to Saudi Arabai after Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Gulf conflict is costing Bangladesh millions of dollars in lost

remittances from an estimated 70,000 Bangladeshis working in Kuwait until the invasion, the minister said.

Mr. Khan said remittances from Kuwait during the first four months of this year stood at 32 million U.S. dollars, with more than 10 million dollars in January alone.

Officials said more than 300,000 Bangladeshis are employed in the Middle East and their remittances are a major source of foreign exchange earnings for Dhaka.

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#90225d2050 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 13) - President George Bush Monday lifted restrictions on the total number of Soviet business people allowed to work and reside in the United States.

Mr. Bush said the lifting of the long-standing ceiling was "an expression of our policy to build a more normal economic relationship" with the Soviet Union.

In a statement released while the president was vacationing here, Mr. Bush recalled that at the June U.S.-Soviet summit in Washington, the superpowers signed four landmark economic accords "that expanded and deepened our economic relationship."

"We now place special emphasis on technical economic cooperation to help institutionalize lasting market-oriented economic reforms in the USSR," he said.

However, Mr. Bush emphasized that the United States would reconsider its decision if there were evidence that "this opportunity is being misused for intelligence-gathering or other inappropriate activities."

He said he believed Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev "shares my view" and will ensure "reciprocal improvements in the climate for American business in the USSR."

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#90225d2090 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (AUG. 13) - As the West African Ecowas ceasefire monitoring group (Ecomog) prepared to set out on its peace mission to Liberia, the Ecowas secretariat in Lagos warned Monday that members of its peace-keeping force were under instruction to retaliate against any act of aggression by any of the warring factions.

The executive secretary of Ecowas, Abbas Bundu, said in a statement: ''The last people they (the combatants) should touch are foreigners in Liberia, because no country will stand idly by and see its citizens being slaughtered''.

He said the reported attacks on foreign missions including those of Nigeria and Guinea and threats of attack on members of the peace-keeping force by some of the warring factions in civil war-torn Liberia were ''the height of savagery''.

The victims, by taking sanctuary in their embassies, had declared their neutrality in the liberian crisis, he said.

In Accra, the commander of the West African peace-keeping force for Liberia, Lieutenant General Arnold Quainoo of Ghana said Monday that his troops would not use military force to contain the situation.

The duty of the five-nation Ecomog would be to play a mediatory role in finding a solution to the crisis which has claimed thousands of lives, he said.

Quainoo, 51, was speaking to reporters here shortly before he flew to Freetown, Sierra Leone, to assume duty.

He said the troops would be carrying guns but they were not being carried to intimidate or subdue the people. The guns were for their own personal protection.

''We are going there as friends of the Liberian people and I believe that the way we approach our job, the way and manner we handle our mission will determine their reaction to us.''

Ghana, Nigeria, The Gambia, Guinea and Sierra Leone are contributing between them about 2,500 troops for the exercise. the troops are gathering in Freetown from where they will move into Liberia.

Ghana's head of state Jerry Rawlings called Monday for international assistance to foot the 50 million-dollar bill for the Ecomog effort.

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#90225d2130 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 13) - Saudi Arabia has refused to renew the work permits of 1,500 Palestinian workers and will soon expel them and their families to Jordan, a leading Palestinian lawyer said Monday.

Shahabi al-Zaeem told Agence France-Presse that the Saudi decision will affect a total of 5,000 Palestinians residing in the oil-rich kingdom.

"Palestinians in Saudi Arabia are seen as enemies because of the support the Palestine Liberation Organisation gives Iraq," the lawyer from the occupied Gaza Strip said.

He said 300,000 Palestinians lived in Kuwait and 250,000 in Saudi Arabia.

The Israeli authorities had issued a six-month visa renewal to some 15,000 Palestinians from Kuwait currently visiting relatives in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The Israeli Arab Democratic Party meanwhile praised Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait saying it was the first step towards "Arab unity."

"This is a positive act even if it was accomplished through force. Italy and the United States also used forced to achieve their unity," said party MP Abdel Wahab Darousha.

Several Palestinian figures, including the President of the Journalists' Union Radwan Abu Ayash, hailed proposals by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein linking a solution to the Gulf crisis to an Israeli withdrawal from the occupied territories.

"The Iraqi proposal is the only one capable of saving the Middle East from war," Mr. Abu Ayash told a press conference in Jerusalem.

Leading Palestinian nationalist Faysal Husseini on Sunday said the Iraqi plan announced that same day by President Saddam Hussein could help "set up a global plan to end all occupations in the Middle East."

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#90225d2150 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEZIERS, France (AUG. 13) - Spanish bull-fighter Julio Robles was paralysed Monday after being thrown twice to the ground by a bull at Beziers arena in southwestern France, neuro-surgeon Pierre Jubier of Beziers hospital said.

Doctor Jubier said both legs of the 37-year-old bull-fighter were totally paralysed and his arms had been partly affected by the accident at a "corrida" here.

He refused to say what Robles' chances of recovery were. The bull-fighter was taken to nearby Montpellier hospital for further examinations and surgery.

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#90225d2160 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 13) - United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, seeking to clarify the semantics of who is doing what in the Gulf, said Monday that only a U.N. Security Council resolution can declare an international embargo.

"I understand that the word 'blockade,' from a United Nations point of view, is not the right one," Mr. Perez de Cuellar said before returning to a Security Council consultative meeting.

The council's resolutions 660, 661 and 662 -- condemning the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, calling for a total embargo against Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, and rejecting Iraq's annexation of Kuwait -- do not mention "blockade," diplomats here said.

"What we are seeing is that, in agreement with the governments of Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, some decisons have been taken by the United States, France, Britain and other countries, and even Arab countries, but not in the context of the United Nations resolutions," Mr. Perez de Cuellar said.

So far, the Security Council has used only some of the provisions of the U.N. Charter's Article 41, because some of those provision call for a break of diplomatic relations, which has not been voted on.

But the charter's Article 42 explicitly states that if the Security Council deems the measures outlined in Article 41 inadequate, it can order the use of military force or any other action deemed necessary to maintain or reestablish international peace and security.

Article 42 says such action can include blockades or other operations executed by air, naval, or land forces of U.N. member states.

Thursday, during a Security Council vote on Resolution 662 declaring Baghdad's annexation of Kuwait null and void, U.S. Ambasador Thomas Pickering said that the United States was ready to seek another council session aimed at achieving the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

But diplomatic sources said it was unlikely the United States would request such a meeting because it could break the unanimity with which the council has passed three resolutions against Iraq concerning the invasion.

In Paris Monday, sources said France had decided that any blockade of Iraq would need U.N. approval and questioned the U.S. position according to which a request from Kuwait gave foreign forces the right to intercept ships in the Gulf.

The sources said that France saw a clear distinction between the notion of "embargo" voted last week by the U.N. Security Council in response to the

invasion, and a "blockade" considered by Paris to be an act of war which would require a fresh U.N. vote.

So it appeared likely that the United States would, for now, abide by the narrow interpretation of the U.N. Charter's Article 51 to justify its decision to interdict exports to Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, sources here said.

Article 51 recognizes the inherent right of U.N. members to engage in individual or collective self-defense.

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#90225d2180 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MADRID (AUG. 13) - The Basque separatist organisation ETA threatened Monday to bomb three lines of the Spanish railway system.

According to a statement issued here bombs, which have already been placed on the tracks, will explode at any time from midnight Tuesday through to midnight on Monday, August 27.

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#90225d2200 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 13) - King Fahd on Monday warned Iraq against attacking Saudi Arabia and demanded the "immediate and unconditional withdrawal" of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

The monarch, addressing a rally in this Western Saudi city, also stressed that a three-point Iraqi plan for a settlement of the Gulf crisis "further complicated" the situation and was "inapplicable."

"The initiative should have focused on the current developments (the invasion of Kuwait)," said King Fahd in statement carried by the official Saudi Press Agency (SPA).

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein proposed Sunday a three-point initiative for a settlement of the Gulf crisis, calling for a U.S. troop withdrawal from Saudi Arabia, an Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territory and a Syrian pullout from Lebanon.

He also suggested the "laying down of arrangements for the case of Kuwait" but did not specify what these could be and called in exchange for the lifting of international trade and arms sanctions against Baghdad.

The Iraqi president, who said an Arab force could replace American troops in the Gulf region, warned of resistance if Washington "and its allies" rejected his offer.

In an apparent reply to this warning King Fahd said: "We will not tolerate anyone launching an attack against any part of our territory. We will never become the prey of expansionists or aggressors."

He also called for an "immediate and unconditional" Iraqi withdrawal from neighbouring Kuwait and demanded the restoration of the Kuwaiti government led by deposed emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah.

King Fahd was speaking several hours after Saudi authorities prevented an Iraqi tanker from loading oil at the Red Sea port of Yanbu, amid efforts by the United States to tighten international sanctions against Baghdad.

Saudi Arabia has allowed U.S. troops to be deployed on its territory as part of a multi-national force after Washington warned of an "imminent threat" by Iraq against the oil-rich kingdom in the aftermath of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Egypt has also sent troops to the kingdom while several Western nations and the Soviet Union have hurried forces to the Gulf.

Iraq -- which has massed troops along the Kuwait-Saudi border -- has said it planned no attack against Saudi Arabia citing a non-aggression treaty signed with the kingdom in 1989.

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#90225d7800 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 13) - China's tax revenues increased by 43.5 per cent last year over 1988 following an official campaign launched one year ago against tax fraud, the People's Daily reported Monday.

Private taxpayers paid 6.64 billion yuan (1.4 billion dollars) during the first half of the year, or 26.5 per cent higher than in the first six months of 1989, the official communist party daily reported.

The State Tax Office on Saturday gave 860 private entrepreneurs the title of "model taxpayer" for having "respected particularly well" the tax legislation, it said.

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#90225d7890 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (AUG. 13) - A visit by Pope John Paul II to Sierra Leone, Guinea and Liberia, scheduled for January 1991, has been postponed because of the conflict in Liberia, according to a statement read in all Roman Catholic churches here.

Roman catholic sources told AFP that they were notified by the Vatican Wednesday about the postponement and that no new date has been fixed.

According to the original program, the pope should have spent a day each in Freetown, Conakry, capital of predominantly Moslem Guinea, and Monrovia.

Church leaders here said the postponement will be a blow to the government of President Joseph Momoh whose administration was mapping out an ambitious program for the pope's visit.

Some 30 per cent of Sierra Leone's 4.5 million population are Catholics.

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#90225d7930 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (AUG. 13) - Denmark would take part in an international maritime blockade against Iraq if organized under United Nations auspices and "if necessary send ships from its fleet into the Gulf," Foreign Minister Uffe Ellemann-Jensen said.

In a television interview Sunday, Mr. Ellemann-Jensen praised the United States for taking the initiative in sending forces to defend Saudi Arabia from possible Iraqi aggression.

"It's almost shameful that we Europeans come limping behind," he said.

He said international forces, under the auspices of the United Nations, could play the "role of policeman" in the Gulf to enforce a U.N. trade embargo against Iraq.

He repeated that Denmark would not close its embassy in Kuwait, for to do so would legitimize the Iraqi annexation of the country.

An opinion poll whose results were televised Saturday showed 51 percent of Danes opposed to committing Danish troops to the Gulf, with 37 percent in favor, and 12 percent undecided.

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#90225d8000 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 13) - Eurotunnel, the Franco-British consortium responsible for building the Channel tunnel between England and France, said on Monday that it was having serious difficulties in raising two billion pounds (3.74 billion dollars) required to complete the project.

The financing is due to be completed in August, but so far only 1.1 billion pounds has been raised, the consortium said.

Of 210 banks involved in negotiations, 93 have so far declined to participate and 26 banks have not replied to the request.

If the money is not raised by the beginning of September, a rights issue planned for October would be delayed, the consortium said.

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#90225d8010 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GREENWICH, NEW JERSEY (AUG. 13) - A tanker transporting one million barrels of Iraqi oil docked near a Mobil Oil refinery on the Delaware river on Sunday, local authorities said.

The oil was to be unloaded and refined legally, despite the embargo against Iraq, they said.

The tanker Nausicaa, registered in the Bahamas, left Turkey on July 25 one week before Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

Coast guard lieutenant Jonathan Burton said that the oil was bought before the Gulf crisis began.

Mobil Oil had contacted the Treasury department over payment which would have to be deposited with the treasury in escrow under the authority of the office for control of foreign assets, a Mobil spokesman said.

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#90225d8020 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONROVIA (AUG. 13) - Embattled Liberian President Samuel Doe hopes to cling to office ''for at least a year'' even after West African peacekeeping forces arrive, according to a spokesman quoted in a report from the war-torn capital.

Liberian troops would go on a rampage were Doe to leave any time soon, the spokesman told a group of journalists, according to the Bbc report.

The stance indicates a change of mind by Doe, who earlier favoured a West African plan for a truce involving his relinquishing power.

The journalists, two Britons and an American, reportedly had been arrested and taken to the presidential mansion on suspicion of being spies. The three newsmen, said to be the only remaining Western journalists in Monrovia, were roughed up and held for two hours before receiving an apology and being allowed to go, the Bbc said.

The spokesman reportedly told them Doe had no intention of stepping down, despite a call by the West African economic alliance Ecowas for a

ceasefire and an interim government which would not include representatives of either the Doe government or rebel forces.

''The best thing would be for Doe to stay,'' the spokesman was quoted as telling the newsmen. ''If he decided to leave tomorrow morning there would be a bloodbath. The soldiers would go on a rampage.''

The first contingent of a planned peacekeeping force of 2,500 men began arriving in Sierra Leone Sunday.

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#90225d8070 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 13) - CAE Electronics Ltd. of Montreal is to deliver two Boeing flight simulators to the Civil Aviation Administration of China (CAAC) under a deal signed last Friday, trade sources here said Monday.

The sale, believed to be worth several million dollars, marks the first foray into China for CAE, the world's leading maker of flight simulators, said the sources, who requested anonymity.

Financing is to come in part from the Export Development Corp., a Canadian government agency that underwrites export sales.

The official China Daily newspaper quoted CAE's Hong Kong-based agent for China, Edmond Kwan, as saying that the firm envisioned more sales to China as well as prospects for technological transfers.

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#90225d8110 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (AUG. 13) - A top level delegation led by Thai deputy prime minister Pong Sarasin is to meet with Iranian officials in Teheran on Tuesday in a bid to secure Iranian oil in exchange for Thai agriculture products.

Thai government officials said on Monday that the talks were aimed at trying to make up the shortfall of 30,000 barrels a day, about 15 per cent of Thailand's total oil imports, normally bought from Iraq and Kuwait.

Since 1986 Thailand has bought a total of 4.9 millions barrels of oil from Iran which now supplies about five per cent of Thailand's oil needs.

The visit to Iran is expected to last nearly one week and the deputy premier will be accompanied by officials from the Petroleum Authority of Thailand.

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#90225d8150 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (AUG. 13) - Jordan is working to undermine a United Nations-approved economic and military embargo on Baghdad by allowing supplies to enter Iraq via the Red Sea port of Aqaba, Israeli military officials have charged.

"Jordan is trying to mask its support for Iraq but is in fact serving as an intermediary and spokesman for it with the Arabs," said one official in an article appearing here Monday in the newspaper Davar.

"Amman has even tried to convince Syria to allow Iraqi oil to pass through its territory."

He said the Jordanian port of Aqaba had become Iraq's principal supply point in defiance of an international embargo, approved by the United Nations Security Council Agusut 6 to protest Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait four days earlier.

Israeli television on Sunday broadcast footage of what it said were trucks moving off vessels in Aqaba and heading toward Iraq.

Jordan, where Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is proving to have substantial popular support, has distanced itself from Arab condemnation of the invasion.

Amman voted against an Arab League ministerial resolution denouncing the operation and calling for an immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

At an emergency Arab summit in Cairo last Friday Jordan abstained from a vote that condemned the invasion and called for Arab troops be deployed in Saudi Arabia, which the United States says is now threatened by Iraqi units in Kuwait.

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#90225d8230 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 13) - The price of Brent North Sea oil continued to firm early on Monday, rising 85 cents to 26.4 dollars per barrel.

The price rose from the closing level on Friday because of growing concern about the situation in the Gulf, oil sources said.

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#90225d8300 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEL AVIV (AUG. 13) - An idyllic nature trek turned to horror for an

Israeli family, the mass-circulation Yediot Aharonot reported Monday.

The family were close to completing a trek in the Golan Heights in northern Israel Saturday when they were attacked by a swarm of wasps, the paper said.

Itzhak Shaulian, 32, tried to protect his wife and two children from the wasps which then attacked him repeatedly. He passed out almost immediately and despite efforts to save him died from the numerous wasp stings.

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#90225d8320 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOULON, FRANCE (AUG. 13) - The French aircraft carrier Clemenceau left this Mediterranean port on Saturday and was expected to join four other French warships in the Gulf by the end of the month.

The Clemenceau, one of the French Navy's two aircraft carriers, was accompanied by the missile cruiser Colbert and a fuel tanker. Together, they carried 2,650 men.

The Clemenceau will be used as a helicopter carrier, with 40 helicopters: transport Pumas and attack Gazelles.

President Francois Mitterrand said on Thursday he was reinforcing the French military presence in the Gulf, where French forces will coordinate with the American troops but will remain under French command.

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#90225d8330 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (AUG. 13) - Swedish researchers are looking into the possibility of using the controversial RU-486 abortion pill as a contraceptive which could be taken once a month.

According to Dr. Marja-Liisa Swahn, who has written a thesis on the subject, the RU-486, if taken just after ovulation, could prevent conception without disrupting the normal menstrual cycle.

The active ingredient of RU-486 is a steroid which triggers an abortion by countering the action of the hormone progesterone, the normal function of which is to fix the fertilized egg in the womb.

Dr. Swahn said the steroid's properties might also give it a contraceptive function if used at the right moment.

Marc Bygdeman, who is in charge of the research project, said the pill should be taken the day after ovulation to avoid excessive bleeding and

maintain a normal cycle.

The team from the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm will start six months of tests in the autumn on some 30 women volunteers.

Up to now France is the only country to have authorized the RU-486 which was developed by a French scientists. However Britain, the Netherlands and the Scandinavian countries are expected to authorize its use during the next few months.

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#90225d8350 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

IMJINGAK, SOUTH KOREA (AUG. 13) - South Korean riot police Monday blocked dissidents here from going to unprecedented meetings in North Korea, but a pro-government group was allowed to rally at this post near the border.

The Seoul government had said it would allow the dissidents to go only if Pyongyang guaranteed their safe return at an official meeting at the border truce village of Panmunjom four kilometers north of here.

But three South Korean liaison officials who went to Panmunjom to receive the official guarantees waited in vain as North Korea refused to send anyone to meet them, South Korean officials said.

Riot policemen here prevented dissidents from going to Panmunjom for talks with North Koreans on preparations for a Pyongyang-organized "pan-national rally" there starting Wednesday. The dissidents returned to Seoul.

Wednesday is the anniversary of Korea's liberation from Japanese colonial rule and the beginning of the division into a communist North and a capitalist South.

President Roh Tae-Woo said on July 20 that North and South Koreans would be allowed to cross the border for the first time for five days starting Monday. North Korea had said earlier that it would open its side of Panmunjom for three days starting on August 15 to allow dissidents to attend its rally.

Both sides have however issued conditions that the other side has rejected, making the border crossings doubtful.

Three of the dissidents arrived at this tourist rest stop outside the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) dividing the two Koreas and waited for a government representative, sitting in front of a line of riot police for about a half hour before desisting.

North Korean radio called for the same three dissidents from the "Launching

Committee of the Pan-National Rally" to again try to come to Panmunjom at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, according to reports from the state-run Naewoe Press in Seoul.

The radio again repeated that there was "no need" for the South Korean government to send liaison officials to Panmunjom, according to Naewoe.

A group of seven priests from an outspoken Roman Catholic Association also went back to Seoul after they were turned around by police.

The police took away seven of nine student radicals who arrived here to enter the DMZ for a separate meeting with North Korean students at Panmunjom,
which is located inside the DMZ.

They chanted slogans calling for unification with the North before being taken away by police, witnesses said.

But 700 Koreans who fled the North during the 1950-1953 Korean War and before, as well as their descendants, were bussed here and staged a rally,

waving paper flags and listening to speeches denouncing the North for not accepting Seoul's conditions.

They mailed some 4,000 letters to their relatives in seven special mail boxes erected here for the rally.

North and South Korea have not had mail or any other type of exchange since they were divided and organizers said the letters would be held until mail links are possible.

A group of the elderly North Korean-born residents, who sympathize with the Seoul government's approach to the reunification question, entered briefly into the heavily-fortified DMZ after cutting a hole in a wire fence earlier in the day, but were pushed back by soldiers, witnesses said.

One of the dissident delegates, Cho Sung-Ock of the umbrella coalition Chunminyon, said they had informed the government that they planned to go to Panmunjom and had expected government officials "so we could explain our situation."

But "only riot policemen are here," he said.

Mr. Cho said the contact between liaison officials was "unnecessary," accusing Seoul of its inconsistency in its policy toward the North.

The dissidents began their trek toward the border at a poorly attended rally at Yonsei University in Seoul.

Chunminyon delegate Lee Hae-Hak told a press conference there: "We firmly believe that this meeting will provide a turning point in the unification movement."

The dissident ceremony at Yonsei, attended by some 150 people, marked the start in the South of the inter-Korean "pan-national conference."

In the North, a "grand march for peaceful unification" began from Mount Paikdu, Korea's highest mountain on the border with China, local press reports said.

About 1,000 North Koreans would march from Mt. Paikdu down to Panmunjom for the beginning of the mass rally on Wednesday.

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#90225d8410 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 13) - Japanese stock prices tumbled 4.2 percent to their lowest level in 28 months Monday amid worsening tension in the Middle East, which led Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu to postpone a tour to the region.

The decline, the market's sharpest since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2, came in extremely light trading and was matched by renewed selling of government bonds, exerting further upward pressure on interest rates.

But the fall in Japanese stock and bond prices was accompanied by only a modest weakening of the yen against the dollar. The U.S. unit rose by almost one yen from Friday's close to settle at 150.65 yen in light trading volume.

The Nikkei Stock Average dropped 1,153 points to close at 26,176 following a 286-point loss Friday.

The decline, the seventh-sharpest on record, took the Nikkei to its lowest level since April 1, 1988, and was dominated by program selling by foreign securities firms.

Losses led gains by 934 issues to 70 with stocks in food and shipping companies among the hardest hit along with machinery and paper-pulp issues. Turnover shrank from 317 million shares to an estimated 250 million shares.

The unusually low turnover coincided with the first day of Japan's traditional summer holiday period when many businesses close down for a week.

Brokers added that instability in the Gulf and its effect on oil prices, inflation and interest rates, had also driven investors to the sidelines.

"Unless there is a sign of improvement in the Middle East situation, investors can hardly come out buying," said Yamaichi Securities Co. Ltd. stock manager Takashi Kanasaki. "They are waiting for changes in external factors."

Japanese government bond prices also fell, with the yield on the benchmark 10-year bond jumping one-tenth of a percentage point to almost 8.09 percent. Short-term interest rates also ended the day higher.

Mr. Kaifu's decision to postpone a tour to the Middle East due to start Wednesday offered little enthusiasm to investors.

"The government has decided that Mr. Kaifu should remain in Japan to coordinate from Tokyo the Japanese contribution to peace and stability in the Gulf region," Chief Cabinet Secretary Misoji Sakamoto said Monday.

Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama is to undertake the trip instead.

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#90225d8440 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 13) - The Briton who was shot dead by Iraqi soldiers in Kuwait Sunday had stopped to help push the cars of fellow refugees out of sand at the Saudi border, it was learned here Monday.

The Foreign Office called the shooting a ''barbaric crime'' and demanded that those responsible be brought to justice by Iraqi authorities.

The man, identified as Douglas Croskery, a printing executive who had been in Kuwait only a few weeks, was among a number of Britons and Kuwaitis fleeing in cars towards the Saudi border, the Foreign Office said.

He was helping three Kuwaiti families push their cars out of sand just five kilometres from the border when Iraqi soldiers arrived on the scene and fired shots, hitting him three times.

Croskery collapsed in the sand, where he bled to death as the troops looked on, according to Kuwaiti Ambassador to London Ghazi Al-Rayes. The Kuwaitis were ordered to proceed on foot across the border, said the ambassador of the toppled government.

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#90225d8480 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (AUG. 13) - Tokyo is still the world's most expensive office market, followed by London and Hong Kong, according to an international office rentals survey published here Monday.

While Paris appeared set to overtake Hong Kong, Singapore has made a dramatic leap to fifth place from its 10th ranking in December, said Richard Ellis's half-yearly world rental report on 30 commercial cities.

The rankings were based on total annual office accommodation costs -- mainly rents, but including service charges, rates and property taxes measured in U.S. dollars per square metre (yard) -- as of June this year.

Tokyo headed the list at 2,045 dollars. London's West End was second at 1,764 dollars followed by Hong Kong at 1,110 dollars.

Annual office occupation costs in Paris stood at 963 dollars per square metre, up 12 percent from December, the report said.

It noted that the gap between Hong Kong and Paris had narrowed to about 14 percent, from 30 percent at the end of 1989.

Singapore scored a near-30 percent jump in the value of its office leases in the six months to June, to 741 dollars per square metre.

Other Asian-Pacific money hubs covered by the report included Sydney, in 13th place at 568 dollars, and Bangkok, in 29th place at 278 dollars.

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#90225d8540 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH, Aug 13 (AFP) - King Fahd of Saudi Arabia has received a message from Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez, the Saudi Press Agency reported Monday.

The note, the contents of which were not disclosed, was handed to the Saudi monarch on Sunday by Venezuelan Foreign Minister Reynaldo Figueredo during a meeting in Jeddah.

The session was also attended by the Saudi ministers of foreign affairs and oil, Prince Saud al-Faisal and Hisham Nazer.

Both Saudi Arabia and Venezuela are members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Venezuelan oil sources have said their country would be able to replace U.S. imports of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude, which were embargoed by Washington to protest Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Prior to the operation, the United States was importing 700,000 barrels a day from Iraq and 70,000 from Kuwait.

Venezuela has a production capacity of 2.7 million barrels a day but is turning out some two million barrels a day at present.

Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates also have the capacity to compensate for the loss of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil, according to oil experts.

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#90225d8590 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 13) - Higher bunker prices due to the Middle East conflict prompted a rise in charter rates over the past week on the dry cargo market, brokers said.

The Baltic International Freight Futures Exchange (BIFFEX) index gained 52 points during the week, to 1,232 points.

Although the index now stands 176 points above its summer low of 1,056 points, posted on July 11, it still remains well below its year-ago level of 1,394 points, brokers said.

Some warned that although charter rates were expected to rise further in the short term in line with bunker prices, longer term prospects were not so bright as the shipping industry would be adversely affected by a rise in inflation worldwide, induced by higher crude oil prices.

A lot of business was done on a private and confidential basis during the week.

Among confirmed fixtures, a 52,000 ton carrier obtained 20.9 dollars per ton on the key U.S. Gulf to Japan grain route, against 19.15 dollars the previous week. Unconfirmed rumours said that a similar fixture was also concluded at 21 dollars.

On the U.S. Gulf to Europe grain route, a 55,000 ton was paid 12 dollars a ton against 11.25 dollars the previous week.

Smaller sizes also fared well in the grain sector, with a 20,000 ton getting 12 dollars a ton on the U.S. Gulf to Venezuela route, against 11 dollars the previous week.

The coal sector was also firmer. A 90,000 ton vessel obtained 5.20 dollars per ton from the U.S. Atlantic coast to Europe, against 4.95 dollars a ton the previous week.

A 120,000 ton ore carrier was fixed on the Brazil to Japan route at 11.75 dollars per ton, one dollar more than the previous week.

In the fertilizers sector, West Indian charterers paid 19.5 dollars a ton

for a 15,000 ton cargo, against 18.75 dollars for the previous similar fixture at the end of May.

In the time-charter sector, rates firmed to 8,500 dollars per day from 7,750 dollars the previous week for 50,000-70,000 ton vessels on round voyages between Japan and Australia.

But they slipped from 8,000 to 7,500 dollars per day for similar-sized vessels on round voyages between Europe and the U.S. Gulf.

For longer periods (7-14 months), rates eased to 8,750 dollars a day from 9,500 dollars.

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#90225d8660 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (AUG. 13) - At least seven people have died and 269 others were in critical condition in an outbreak of measles in remote villages of Flores island, eastern Indonesia, reports reaching here Monday said.

A health official said was reported as saying the outbreak has ravaged three villages in Ende district over the last three weeks.

Dr. Derven Johanes Lada also said there were some 1,500 other villages in the district and nearby areas which might soon fall victim to the disease unless medical supplies could be brought to the remote area soon.

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#90225d8810 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH (AUG. 13) - Saudi Arabia denied Iraqi reports on the nationalities of the multi-national forces deployed there Monday after Iraq claimed Israelis were masquerading as U.S. pilots.

Riyadh also dismissed as ''untrue'' Jordanian reports that 10 Saudis were killed by U.S. troops deployed in Saudi Arabia.

A saudi official source, denying the ''allegations as untrue and baseless '' did not further specify the Iraqi report. But Radio Baghdad had earlier said Israeli air force pilots had been given U.S. identification documents and had painted their planes to resemble U.S. fighters.

The Jordanian reports quoted passengers arriving in Amman from Saudi Arabia as saying U.S. troops had fired on and killed 10 Saudis.

The Saudi official, referring to one such report published in Jordan's Voice Of The People, said it was part of a campaign ''to harm'' Saudi Arabia for seeking to bolster its security.

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#90225d9030 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DAR ES SALAAM (AUG. 13) - Zanzibar's President Idris Abdul-Wakil has announced his decision to step down in October.

Mr. Abdul-Wakil has been president of the island of Zanzibar for the past five years. Zanzibar united with Tanganyika to form the republic of Tanzania in 1964.

Mr. Abdul-Wakil, 65, told journalists Sunday that he would not be a candidate in October's election.

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#90225d9070 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 13) - The chairman of electronics, textiles and food group Polly Peck International says he plans to launch a bid to buy the group, in which he and his family hold a 26 percent stake.

Asil Nadir, who has headed the British giant since 1980, released the news at a special board meeting Sunday, surprising both board members and the City.

The move will cost at least 1.2 billion pounds (2.2 billion dollars), market analysts said.

Nadir gave no reason for his decision to try to buy up the group, but has frequently complained in the past that the group's stock market capitalization was below its value.

Barclays de Zoete Wedd estimates that Polly Peck could be worth 2.9 billion pounds, which would give it a value of 687 pence a share, although the stock has not risen above the 462 pence level this year.

The Gulf crisis has depressed the stock, because of Polly Peck's interests in Turkey and the Middle East, where it makes some 35 percent of sales.

But on Monday morning it was boosted 30 pence to 423 in early trading.

In the space of 10 years, Polly Peck has developed from a small textile operation to a major diversified international group with interests ranging from pineapple to personal computers.

Last year it bought U.S. fruit and vegetable concern Del Monte for 1.4 billion dollars and took control of Japanese electronics group Sansui Electric.

Its 1989 taxable profit totalled 161.4 million pounds (304 million dollars) and market analysts expect it to rise to 227 million pounds (428 million dollars) this year.

If Nadir's bid is successful, he will join a list of British business leaders who have bought up their companies and taken them off the stock market which includes Virgin records boss Richard Branson and musicals composer Andrew Lloyd Webber.

Polly Peck said that Nadir would not take part in major group decisions pending clarifications of his move, and that the publication of the group's interim results was being brought forward from Sept. 26 to Sept. 6.

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#90225d9240 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 13) - Public servants in oil-poor Japan will be among the first to feel the heat from energy-saving measures enforced by the Japanese government Monday in response to the deepening Gulf crisis.

They will have turn down office air-conditioners and sweat it out in summer heat as part of the package which was adopted by vice ministers from different government ministries and agencies led by the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI), the government announced.

"If the conflict is prolonged and measures including a ban on oil imports from Iraq and Kuwait should be prolonged, it might affect the supply and demand of oil and eventually affect the livelihood and economic activities of the nation," the announcement said.

Japan, which depends on Iraq and Kuwait for 12 per cent of its oil needs or 440,000 barrels a day, has halted trade and financial links with Iraq and occupied Kuwait to join Western nations in punishing Baghdad for the invasion.

If the situation in the Gulf worsens, the government will consider stricter energy-saving measures, including a ban on neon lights and gas station services on holidays, an official said.

"This is the first time that such measures are taken since the 1979 oil crisis," a MITI official said. "It is a bold estimate but the measures could save oil worth eight days of consumption after a year."

Japan has stockpiles of oil to last 142 days and officials say the package of measures could save as much 4.7 million kiloliters (29.6 million barrels) of crude oil, or 4.4 per cent of Japan's industrial use of oil.

According to the announcement, public offices must keep the temperature of their air-conditioned rooms to about 28 degrees centigrade (82.4 Fahrenheit) and advise their employees to dress lightly.

The annoucement said the offices must turn off some electric lights in areas close to windows and in corridors while advising that all lights be turned off during lunch breaks.

The measures also call for an efficient use of elevators and official cars. "Use stairs when you go to nearby floors," the announcement said.

It recommended that private companies and offices conserve oil, electricity and other energy resouces "as much as possible" and follow the measures for public offices.

"In particular, offices, stores, hotels and public transit vehicles are advised to keep the air-conditioned room temperature at appropriate levels and economize the use of lighting," it said

Home owners were also urged to turn down air-conditioners and holiday-makers to use public transport rather than private cars which should run at "economical speeds" or "approximately 80 kilometers (50 miles) per hour".

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#90225d9260 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 13) - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher left Monday for a holiday of "a few days" in Cornwall, where she will be informed regularly on developments in the Gulf crisis and will be in constant contact with her cabinet, official sources said.

Mrs. Thatcher and her husband Dennis will spend a few days in the town of Truro in southwestern England.

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#90225d9290 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 13) - A Russian nationalist charged with inciting racial hatred against Jews is on trial again here, while police maintained a high profile at the court to keep the peace between his supporters and anti-racist intellectuals.

Konstantin Ostashvili, 56, considered the leader of the nationalist Pamiat movement, is being charged in connection with an anti-Semitic raid in January by some 60 Russian nationalists on a meeting of the Writers' Union. A verdict is expected Friday.

On January 18, The April Association, a group comprising the most progressive writers in the union was holding a "small party" when about 60 Pamiat members allegedly stormed in shouting, "Send the Jews to Israel, we are the masters here."

Mr. Ostachvili's trial has triggered hostilities inside and outside the court between writers and Pamiat supporters. About 20 Interior Ministry security officers with police dogs have been brought in to ensure order, checking people as they enter the courtroom.

One writer said "a hundred Pamiat members" tried to prevent him from entering the courtroom.

Stella Wolkenstein, one of the writers at the "April Association" reception and a witness at the trial, said Mr. Ostashvili was among those who descended on the writers' meeting.

Mrs. Wolkenstein, who filmed the scene on video, said she was seated in a waiting room and had to lower her voice each time someone wearing a badge featuring the dragon-slaying St. George, Pamiat's emblem, came rushing through the room.

"We were insulted and called 'Jewish freemasons' ", Mrs. Wolkenstein said.

She said the Pamiat militants warned: "You don't have much time to get out of here. We're coming back, and this time we'll be armed."

Members of the Writers' Union say charges against Mr. Ostachvili are insufficient and are calling for a trial of the entire Pamiat organisation.

Supporters of Mr. Ostashvili were outside the courtroom distributing leaflets claiming he was the victim of a "smear campaign in the press, on the radio and on television."

The Pamiat members said Mr. Ostashvili is a "honest father and family man."

One Pamiat member present, a bearded man in his thirties named Andrei, said: "Why hide it?. We don't want democracy. Russia is a separate state. Democracy is like totalitarianism -- it leads to chaos."

The Soviet Union counts some 100 different ethnic groups, including Jews, many of whom live in the autonomous republic of Birobijan in the Soviet far east.

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#90225d9310 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (AUG. 13) - Thousands of South Koreans took to the streets

throughout the country Monday to give vent to their disappointment after the eagerly-anticipated opening of the border with North Korea fell through over last-minute difference between the two countries.

Pyongyang Monday turned down a Seoul compomise to allow South Korean dissidents to participate in the event.

The Seoul government Sunday accused North Korea of making the opening conditional on ''impossible'' demands, including contact to imprisoned dissidents, and abolition of South Korean security laws.

More than 60,000 Koreans, mainly elderly, had been issued with special visitors' visas over the past few days ready for the five-day period due to begin Monday of the border being opened.

In a move of civil disobedience, some 1,000 South Koreans with relatives in North Korean Monday posted letters to their relatives in defiance of a 45-year-old ban on all contacts by mail and telephone between the two Koreas.

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#90225d9320 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 13) - Ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto will not renounce politics and quit the country as part of an alleged deal offered by the interim government to drop corruption charges against her family, her close aide said here Monday.

An independent daily The Nation, quoting "highly placed sources" in Islamabad, said President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, the week old caretaker government of Prime Minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi and the army had offered Ms. Bhutto "a way out" from a series of graft charges already prepared against her.

She could leave the country with her family but would have to publicly renounce politics, the Lahore-published daily said in a front page report.

Tariq Rahim, minister for parliamentary affairs in Ms. Bhutto's government termed the report "concocted and baseless". No such offer was made and Ms. Bhutto would "never ever accept such a deal", Mr. Rahim said.

An interim government official here also rejected the report as part of a disinformation campaign mounted by Ms. Bhutto's Pakistan Peoples Party.

"Why should there be any deal to undermine a free and fair judicial process" of accountability of her 20-month rule, said the official on condition of anonymity.

Mr. Jatoi succeeded Ms. Bhutto a week ago after President Khan sacked her government on charges of corruption and abuse of power, dissolved parliament and imposed a state of emergency.

Ms. Bhutto alleged that the army intelligence engineered a "constitutional coup" against her government and that the charges of abuse of power were biased.

The Nation claimed that Ms. Bhutto was under pressure from her family and the clan of her husband Asif Ali Zardari to accept the reported package. But she had assured the party faithful that she would stay on in Pakistan.

Mr. Zardari, a Karachi businessman, is dubbed by the former opposition the principle figure in alleged corruption scandals involving millions of dollars.

The new government in Ms. Bhutto's home province of Sindh has already arrested at least half a dozen close friends of Mr. Zardari in a police crackdown launched this weekend.

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#90225d9390 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 13) - Cooperation between Egypt and the United States to secure an immediate Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait is vital, U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs John Kelly said here Monday.

"It is normal and vital for us to coordinate because we share the same goals: the immediate withdrawal from Kuwait and the restoration of the legal government," he said referring to Kuwait's deposed emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah.

Mr. Kelly, who met Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid, said Egypt had been "at the forefront of international and Arab efforts to respond to the situation."

Egypt has dispatched troops to Saudi Arabia to help protect it and other neighboring Gulf states in the wake of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The decision to send troops -- estimted at 3,000 according to the Egyptian daily Al-Goumhouriya -- conformed to a resolution passed Friday by the Arab League to deploy Arab forces in Saudi Arabia.

The deployment coincides with a Western military buildup in the Gulf.

On Sunday, Mr. Kelly met with Sheikh Jaber at an unspecified location and delivered a message from U.S. President George Bush, the Qatar News Agency

(QNA) said.

Mr. Kelly visited Saudi Arabia following a three-day visit to Syria for talks with officials there before proceeding to Cairo.

Sheikh Jaber fled to Saudi Arabia after Iraq invaded Kuwait.

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#90225d9410 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAMMU, INDIA (AUG. 13) - Thirty-two people were reported killed in India's troubled Kashmir state on Monday as authorities continued a house-to-house sweep for Moslem separatists that has already led to hundreds of arrests.

Indian army troops shot dead 27 Moslem militants on the border of India-held Kashmir as they slipped in from neighboring Pakistan early Monday, defence officials said here in the northern state's winter capital.

The militants were in a curfew-bound "disturbed area" when they were killed, the officials said.

Police also found five bullet-riddled bodies on the streets of Kashmir on Monday, a defence spokesman said. The victims were said to be suspected police informers gunned down by Moslem separatists.

Violence linked to the militant-led independence campaign in Kashmir, India's only Moslem majority state, has claimed 1,140 lives this year.

Troops and paramilitary forces on Monday continued a massive house-to-house hunt in Srinagar and throughout the Kashmir valley for Moslem rebels and hidden arms.

More than 700 members and supporters of Moslem groups battling for a free Kashmir were arrested earlier to foil plans by hard-line Moslem rebels to disrupt India's annual independence day celebrations on Wednesday.

Kashmir authorities here said the Moslems tried to mark Pakistan's independence day Tuesday by hoisting Islamabad's flags on government buildings in Srinagar.

India and Pakistan, which have fought two wars over Kashmir, were freed from British colonial rule and divided in 1947. India's independence day falls August 15, and Pakistan's a day earlier.

The authorities have already sounded a top security "red alert" in Kashmir, and banned gatherings of four or more people throughout the picturesque state until after independence day.

Officials also reported nine brief but intense gunbattles between Moslem militants and security forces across the Kashmir valley Monday that left 12 people wounded, including seven paramilitary troopers.

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#90225d9430 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABERDEEN, SCOTLAND (AUG. 13) - Thousands of North Sea oil workers observed a 24-hour strike Monday, the fourth stoppage in 10 days, union sources said.

According to the workers' non-authorised union, about 73 oil rigs were affected by the strike.

The striking oil workers are demanding better working conditions and recognition of their union.

A management spokesman said 750 millions pounds (1.3 billion dollars) have been spent this year on improving safety on the rigs.

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#90225d9440 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, Aug 13 (AFP) - The Seacat, a new kind of high-speed ferry which broke the trans-Atlantic crossing speed record in June, is to enter cross-Channel service on Tuesday, the Hoverspeed operating company said on Monday.

The vessel, which can travel at up to 78 kilometres (50 miles) an hour, can transport 400 passengers and 80 cars. It is scheduled to make three return trips daily between England and France.

The launch of regular services had been popstponed several times because of difficulties in obtaining safety certificates.

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#90225d9620 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HABUR, TURKEY (AUG. 13) - At the last open checkpoint on the Iraq-Turkey border here and at an air force base half-way across the country where U.S. fighter-bombers are training, the atmosphere remained surprisingly relaxed on Monday, AFP correspondents on the spot reported.

Here in Habur, despite evidence of increasing activity on the Iraqi side of the 170-mile (250 kilometer) border, officers said the military border posts were not on a state of alert.

In Incirklik, near the southern Turkish city of Adana, security was so lax at an air base that journalists were able to penetrate the first barbed-wire perimeter to photograph unmarked F-111 swing-wing fighter-bombers roaring off the runway in groups of four.

In Habur, "Everything is calm for the moment but we must remain vigilant," said a Turkish colonel on Sunday evening, just as the Great National Assembly was granting the government war-making powers against Iraq.

Iraq has indicated it intended to close Habur on Monday despite Turkish pleas to keep it open so Turkish tanker trucks and foreigners can go through what was said here to be Iraq's last open border crossing.

The border, which roughly parallels the old Silk Road, is populated mostly by Kurds, who in interviews expressed deep fears of an Iraqi invasion. Many remembered with bitterness seeing Iraqi Kurds fleeing a chemical-weapons attack two years ago this month.

Since then, Iraq has driven out all inhabitants living within 12 miles (20 kilometers) of the border on the Iraqi side.

Because of the persecution of Iraqi Kurds, military officials in the area stressed that the Turkish Kurds would fight an Iraqi invasion with particular vigour.

In Incirklik, on Monday, as on Sunday, when base personnel could be seen jogging around the base, there were no particular controls outside it or unusual activity inside.

A U.S. military spokesman said the F-111s now on the base were the fourth squadron to spend a month training there since March. All four came from U.S. bases in Britain. He said each squadron had between 14 and 24 planes and that they were doing routine excercises.

The spokesman stressed that there was no state of alert at the base.

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#90225d9640 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 13) - Jordanians by the tens of thousands are signing up to defend Iraqi President Saddam Hussein against "the new Crusaders" seen as threatening the Arab world.

Some 80,000 Jordanians, outraged at the deployment of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, have volunteered to fight alongside the Iraqi army if Iraq is attacked, a group representing the volunteers said here Monday.

The Popular Jordanian Committee to Support the Iraqi Arab People said

conscription offices had been opened recently in Amman and elsewhere in Jordan and that an average of 10,000 volunteers a day had been signing up in the past two days alone.

The committee includes legislators and heads of trade associations.

The announcement came amid rising tension in the Gulf sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2 and after Jordan abstained from an Arab League vote last week denouncing Baghdad for the operation.

The League resolution also called for the deployment of Arab troops in Saudi Arabia, which the United States maintains is now threatened by Iraqi forces in neighboring Kuwait.

The volunteer movement was spurred by a U.S. decision last week to deploy air and ground forces in Saudi Arabia, denounced by militants here as "new Crusaders from the West on Arab soil."

At the same time the United States, France, Britain, Australia and Canada have taken steps to bolster their naval presence in the Gulf.

In the gathering tension, Jordan's King Hussein on Sunday ordered that civil defense and first aid centers be set up in residential neighborhoods nationwide.

The king also warned that the Gulf crisis had "reached, with the formidable military buildup, the threshhold ... of an all-out explosion."

In a televised speech, the king stresed "Arab refusal of any (foreign) hegemony" over the Gulf and said Jordan remained determined to find "an Arab solution" to the crisis.

Jordanian forces -- numbering over 85,000 troops -- have been on a state of partial alert since the Iraqi invasion and leave for all officers has been suspended.

While glued to their radios and televisions, Jordanians have also been stocking up on basics such as rice, sugar and oil, despite daily media appeals for calm.

The three commodities have all but vanished from food store shelves.

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#90225d9740 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (Aug. 13) - State-owned Kuwaiti oil concern Kuwait Petroleum International (KPI), which watches over Kuwaiti oil interests abroad, has said it is negotiating with Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) member countries

to buy crude for its European refineries. KPI president Nadar Sultan said in an interview published in the Financial Times newspaper on Monday that the negotiations included Saudi Arabia.

The Financial Times said this was one of the first solid indications that Saudi Arabia is prepared to defy Iraq and boost production to compensate for Iraqi and Kuwaiti supplies lost to the market due to an international embargo imposed after Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

"We will see the results" of the talks this week, Sultan said. He also said that oil tankers carrying a total 15 million barrels of oil had left Kuwait before the invasion and would be unloaded normally.

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#90225d9810 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 13) - Foreign nationals can travel from Kuwait to Baghdad but are still being prevented from leaving Iraq, the British Foreign Office said Monday.

A spokesman said the foreign office had been informed through diplomatic channels by the Iraqi Foreign Ministry that "so far as they Iraqi officials knew" foreigners were not permitted to leave Iraq.

It was not clear whether the term "foreigners" applied to all non-Iraqi nationals or only citizens of Western countries, the spokesman added.

The foreign office was "urgently seeking clarification" of the Iraqi statements which were described by a spokesman as "clearly unsatisfactory."

There have been steady reports since the Iraqi invasion on August 3 that the ban on travel for foreigners was being enforced arbitrarily and that nationals of some Arab countries were free to cross Iraqi borders.

On Sunday Iraq hinted that it may allow foreign nationals to leave the country, saying it would "facilitate" travel over Iraqi borders for some foreign nationals.

"We are mobilizing the international community to bring renewed pressure to bear on Iraq to let foreigners leave both Kuwait and Iraq in safety," the spokesman said.

He also reiterated the British Government's "indignation and horror" at the killing of a British tourist, Douglas Croskery, who was shot dead this weekend by Iraqi troops as he tried to flee from Kuwait to Saudi Arabia.

"We look to the Iraqis to take steps to find and punish the culprits whose actions have flouted international law," the spokesman said.

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#90225d9830 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 13) - South Africa is heading for a major catastrophe as a result of AIDS -- with alarming projections of some 10 million South Africans having AIDS in 10 years' time, analysts said.

Economic analyst Edward Osborn warned Monday that the threatened magnitude of the AIDS epidemic "is such that it must play a fundamental part in all forward thinking and planning".

In an article in the Nedcor Group Economic Unit's latest "Guide to the economy", Mr. Osborn said the accuracy of AIDS projections may be in doubt "but there would appear to be no doubt about the inevitability of a major catastrophe".

Government figures released last month show that the number of AIDS cases in South Africa has soared from only two in 1982 to 430 as of June 21 this year. At least 206 of the AIDS patients have died, leaving 224 persons suffering from AIDS nationwide.

Projections by medical researchers and insurance companies were that between 7.5 million and 10 million South Africans will be HIV-positive by 2001.

Mr. Osborn predicts that by 2000, about 48 per cent of the adult population will either be HIV-positive or sick with AIDS.

Possible future scenarios include a rapid increase in AIDS-related deaths towards the end of the century, reaching a peak of more than one-million deaths by 2007, Mr. Osborn said.

The government figures show that of the 255 AIDS cases among whites since 1982, 224 were transmitted through homosexual and bisexual activities while of the 156 cases among blacks, only two were transmitted through homosexual and bisexual activities.

Some 123 black AIDS sufferers had contracted the disease through heterosexual activities.

Of the other 19 AIDS sufferers nine were Coloured (mixed-race) homosexual males.

The only section of South Africa's four officially classified race groups to escape the disease were Asian women.

According to the figures, the most AIDS sufferers, namely 109, were males

in the age group 30-39 while 30 females in the age group 20-29 suffered from the disease.

In his article, Mr. Osborn says the predicted surge of AIDS-related deaths could push the costs of medical treatment to 90 billion rands (34.74 billion dollars) in the next century -- some 20 billion rands (7.7 billion dollars) more than the present total medical budget.

"A horrendous but conceivably realistic alternative lies with AIDS colonies similiar to leper colonies, as has been reported to be the case in Zimbabwe on Lake Kariba," Mr. Osborn said.

The South African labour market could change drastically as a result of AIDS, putting upward pressure on wages as skills shortages increase, he added.

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#90225d9920 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG (AUG. 13) - Heating oil prices in West Germany on Monday fell to levels significantly below those of one week ago in the immediate aftermath of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, reflecting price drops in Rotterdam and other international markets, traders reported.

In Hamburg, heating oil dealers were selling at rates of 45 to 50 Deutschmarks (28.6-31.7 dollars) per 100 litres, compared to the 50.80-53.50 marks price span of a week ago.

Oil industry traders noted that the price declines mirrored developments in Rotterdam and London.

The Rwe-Dea oil company in Hamburg said a tonne of light heating oil on Rotterdam was priced at about 224 dollars, about 30 dollars cheaper than Monday a week ago.

In London, North Sea crude oil prices fell to 25.80 dollars per barrel for September deliveries, compared to 26.40 dollars a week ago. In Rotterdam, September deliveries were quoted at 25.90 dollars, while those for October were pegged at 24.79 dollars per barrel.

Oil traders here said that West German consumers had behaved with greater discipline than they had shown in the past towards turbulence on oil markets. There was scarcely any panic buying of heating oil, as consumers decided to wait out further developments.

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#90225d9960 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 13) - Vazguen Manoukian, dean of the University of Yerevan and an ally of Armenian President Levon Ter-Petrossian, was elected prime minister of the Soviet republic on Monday, a government source in Yerevan said by telephone.

Mr. Manoukian, who is one of Armenia's leading nationalist figures, was elected by the republic's parliament by 170 votes against 35, the source said.

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#90225d9980 08/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SANAA (AUG. 13) - Pro-Iraqi demonstrators threw stones at the U.S. and Saudi embassies here Monday in the fifth consecutive day of protests against the deployment of U.S. troops in the oil-rich kingdom, diplomats said.

The protestors also demonstrated outside the British embassy but unlike previous days they failed to attack the Egyptian diplomatic mission.

The first U.S. ground troops landed in Saudi Arabia on Thursday while London sent British forces and warplanes to the Gulf as part of an international military buildup to protect Saudi Arabia against any Iraqi attack following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Egypt has moreover committed troops as part of an Arab force to Saudi Arabia.

Several hundred protestors have been taking part daily since Thursday in the demonstrations.

Witnesses reported that the hugest pro-Iraqi rally occured Saturday when several thousand Yemenis took to the streets to denounce international sanctions against Iraq.

The protestors clashed with police who used water cannons to stop them from attacking the Egyptian, Saudi and British embassies.

Yemen, along with Algeria, abstained on Friday from an Arab League vote to send forces to Saudi Arabia. The resolution to commit troops was endorsed by 12 of the League's 20 members, with three votes against and three members who expressed reservations.

On Sunday, Yemeni President Ali Abdallah Saleh said the Arab summit had been a "failure" because foreign troops had deployed in the Gulf ahead of the meeting.

"Instead of providing the (Iraqi-Kuwaiti) problem with a solution, the

summit's resolutions legalised the foreign presence (in the Gulf)," General Saleh told a press conference here.

He also charged that the resolutions had been planned and were "dictated to us."

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#90225e0013 08/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 13) EFE - Chinese Prime Minister Li Peng arrived in Thailand Monday for the last official visit of his fence-mending Asian tour.

Li Peng, accompanied by Foreign Minister Qian Quichen and Foreign Commerce Minister Zheng Tuobin, was welcomed at Bangkok's airport by Thai Prime Minister, Chatichai Choonhavan.

During ther visit, the two leaders were expected to discuss the U.S. policy reversal last month ending Washington's recognition of Cambodia's tri-partite coalition of anti-government rebels.

The rebel coalition, made up of communist Khmer Rouge and two non-communist groups led by former monarch Norodom Sihanouk and once prime minister Son Sann, has also been heavily supported by both China and Thailand.

Over the last week, China has formally established diplomatic relations with Indonesia, and this weekend reached an agreement with Singapore to open official ties in the near future.

Observers said Li Peng's tour was aimed at restoring and strengthening economic and cultural ties with Asian nations, following the souring of relations with the West as a result of Beijing's bloody crackdown on pro-democracy protesters in June 1989.

China has also recently established diplomatic ties with Saudi Arabia.

In exchange for Singapore and Saudi Arabia's agreement to shift their recognition from the government of Taiwan to Beijing, China has said that it will not oppose unofficial commercial relations between these two countries and Taiwan.

China has said that it supported trade between other countries and Taiwan as long as it was carried out on a private level and not between governments.

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#90225e0014 08/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MADRID (AUG. 13) EFE - Weekend traffic accidents on Spanish highways claimed 80 lives, the General Department of Traffic reported Monday.

The 57 accidents left 113 others wounded.

The most serious accident occured Saturday evening when several cars collided in the northwestern city of Lugo, killing six people.

The figures released Monday were up 14 from the previous weekend.

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#90225e0030 08/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
BOGOTA (AUG. 13) EFE - A former judge and three police officers died in separate attacks throughout Colombia Monday, police reported.

Police said two men stopped the car of the former judge, Carlos Campo Donado, and fired repeatedly before fleeing in the northern city of Barranquilla.

Campo Donado, the one-time president of the Atlantic Higher Court, died immediately from three gunshot wounds in the head, doctors said.

Police launched a massive operation to track down the murderers of Campo Donado who, relatives said, had never received death threats.

Judicial figures have been one of the favorite targets of hitmen hired by Colombian drug traffickers in their year-long war against the government which, according to police statistics, has claimed some 3,000 lives.

Earlier Monday, guerrillas took over four small settlements in the southwest department of Narino, murdering three police officers in the process, the Defense Ministry reported.

The guerrillas, from the communist Colombian Revolutionary Armed Forces (FARC), also wounded one police officer and kidnapped three others in attacks on police posts in the four settlements some 750 km southwest of Bogota near the Ecuadorean border.

Police and troops from the Third Army Brigade were sent to the area to control the rebels and rescue the kidnapped policemen.

Colombian President Cesar Gaviria, who was sworn in last Tuesday, has promised new strategies to persuade the country's five active leftist guerrilla groups to lay down their arms.

-30- 1733
#90225e0031 08/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 13) EFE - An Argentine official told a United Nations meeting Monday that "valid reasons" for delaying talks with Britain over the sovereignty of the Falkland Islands were now running out and that a solution must be found to the 'anachronistic colonial situation'.

Argentine representative Alfredo Chiaradia added, however, that Buenos Aires was looking for a peaceful settlement and would allow the U.N. to sort out the future of the islands.

Britain's Falkland Islands dependency was invaded by Argentine forces in 1982 sparking a ten-week war which cost the lives of some 1,000 servicemen.

In the U.N. committee debate on decolonialisation Monday Chiaradia said the question of sovereignty was +bound to the most profound sentiments of my people and is the priority of the Argentine government's foreign policy.

He said the Falklands - known as the Malvinas by the Argentines -- was a 'special colonial case' which the U.N. had decided was a matter to be negotiated between Britain and Argentina taking into account the wishes of the inhabitants of the islands.

Although diplomatic relations between the two countries had been renewed in February and there were now closer development ties, the dispute over the Falklands and other British territories in the region such as South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands, remained, he said.

Because of this Argentina was ready to 'renew efforts' to bring a 'just, peaceful and lasting solution that will put an end to the anachronistic colonial situation that violates the territorial integrity of our country'.

Chiaradia asked the committee to approve a resolution put forward by Cuba, Chile and Venezuela urging Britain and Argentina to renew negotiations.

-30- 1950
#90225e0033 08/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
AMMAN (AUG. 13) EFE - An estimated 80,000 Jordanians have volunteered to fight for Iraq if it is attacked, the Jordanian Popular Committee of Aid to the Arab People of Iraq announced Monday.

The committee, made up of parliamentarians and union leaders, said that recruiting offices in Amman and around the kingdom were receiving 10,000 applications a day from Jordanians.

On Sunday, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein called on Arabs to oust Western

forces from the Middle East in a holy war, after U.S.-led forces moved into Saudi Arabia to prevent any further Iraqi aggression following its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

-30- 785

#90225e0037 08/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (13 AUG.) EFE - As a group of 200 Westerners, among them 18 Spaniards, made their way out of war-torn Liberia Monday, a Spanish Hercules military transport plane arrived in Sierra Leone to fly them back to Spain, Spanish diplomats said.

The group, including Swedes and West Germans, left the Liberian capital Monrovia earlier in the day and headed through rebel-held territory for the 100 km journey to the port of Buchanan where they boarded a U.S. Navy ship bound for Sierra Leone.

Among the group was the Spanish ambassador to Liberia Manuel de Luna and the embassy secretary.

Meanwhile in Liberia, rebel leader Charles Taylor, fighting to overthrow President Samuel Doe, has accepted an invitation to visit Gambia, Gambian officials said Monday.

Taylor's invitation was issued by Gambian President Dauda Diawara, who also heads the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS).

ECOWAS has sent a military force to Liberia in an effort to bring an end to the eight-month-long civil war, although so far the bulk of the force's arrival has since been delayed.

Taylor, head of the National Patriotic Front has rejected the intervention charging it would only serve to keep Doe in power.

Taylor has previously turned down offers to visit Gambia, and observers suggest the principal topic for discussion will be a rebel acceptance of the ECOWAS force, and an immediate cease-fire.

-30- 1613

#90225f2065 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Monday 414.84 up 2.38.

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#90225h0011 08/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
WELLINGTON (AUG. 13) XINHUA - THE NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO BAN ALL IMPORTS FROM IRAQ OR KUWAIT.

THIS WAS ANNOUNCED BY PRIME MINISTER GEOFFREY PALMER AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE THIS AFTERNOON FOLLOWING A CABINET MEETING EARLIER IN THE DAY, WHICH PASSED A CUSTOMS IMPORT PROHIBITION ORDER BANNING ALL GOODS COMING IN FROM IRAQ AND ITS ANNEXED NEIGHBOR OF KUWAIT.

A BAN ON THE EXPORTS OF ALL GOODS TO THE TWO COUNTRIES WAS IMPOSED BY THE NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT LAST WEEK.

-30- 642
#90225h0013 08/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BANGKOK (AUG. 13) XINHUA - THAILAND'S PETROLEUM CONSUMPTION DURING THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR ROSE BY 15 PERCENT TO ABOUT 480,330 BARRELS PER DAY AS COMPARED WITH THAT OF THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

ACCORDING TO THE INFORMATION CENTER OF THE PETROLEUM AUTHORITY OF THAILAND BUNKER OIL SAW THE HIGHEST CONSUMPTION GROWTH OF 48 PERCENT OR ABOUT 87,110 BARRELS A DAY.

DURING THE PERIOD, THAILAND IMPORTED MORE THAN 387,000 BARRELS A DAY OF BOTH FINISHED OIL PRODUCTS AND CRUDE OIL, REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF 21.7 PERCENT AS COMPARED WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

DOMESTIC SUPPLY OF PETROLEUM REACHED 135,000 BARRELS A DAY, UP 5.6 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, OF WHICH, CRUDE OIL ACCOUNTED FOR ABOUT 22,700 BARRELS A DAY.

-30- 935
#90225h0053 08/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 13) XINHUA - A BRITISH CONSORTIUM HAS BEGUN A 3-YEAR PROJECT TO DEVELOP A NEW GENERATION OF SOLAR CELLS, "THE DAILY TELEGRAPH" REPORTED TODAY.

THE NEW SOLAR CELLS WILL BE BASED ON INDIUM PHOSPHIDE, A HIGH RADIATION-RESISTANT MATERIAL.

THE CURRENT SOLAR CELLS, USUALLY BASED ON SILICON, ARE NOT EFFICIENT IN CONVERTING THE SUN'S ENERGY INTO ELECTRICITY.

IN SPACE, SATELLITES ARE CONTINOUSLY BOMBARDED BY RADIATION THAT GRADUALLY DEGRADES THE SOLAR CELLS. SILICON WOULD DEGRADE TO HALF ITS ORIGINAL PERFORMANCE LEVEL IN 10 YEARS, BUT INDIUM PHOSPHIDE IS BELIEVED TO DEGRADE

TO ONLY ABOUT 80-90 PER CENT. AS A RESULT, FAR FEWER SOLAR CELLS WOULD BE NEEDED.

THE CONSORTIUM OF INDUSTRIAL AND ACADEMIC SCIENTISTS LED BY NEWCASTLE POLYTECHNIC IS HOPING TO PROLONG THE WORKING LIFE OF SATELLITES BY USING THE NEW SOLAR CELLS IT IS NOW WORKING ON.

-30- 1012

#90225h0058 08/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 13) XINHUA - THE AIRLIFT OF THE NIGERIAN CONTINGENT TO THE WEST AFRICAN PEACE-KEEPING FORCE CONTINUED YESTERDAY WITH SOME 200 TROOPS CARRIED AWAY FROM THE LAGOS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

THE NIGERIAN CONTINGENT WILL JOIN OTHER 300 NIGERIAN TROOPS ALREADY AT THE ASSEMBLY POINT, IN THE SIERRA LEONEAN CAPITAL OF FREETOWN, OF THE PEACE-KEEPING FORCE OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES (ECOWAS) WHICH WILL BE SENT TO LIBERIA LATER THIS WEEK TO END THE SEVEN-MONTH-OLD CIVIL WAR IN THE COUNTRY.

THE NIGERIAN TROOPS WERE SENT AWAY ABOARD THREE C-130 TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT AND A DC-10 AIRCRAFT AND SOME NIGERIAN JOURNALISTS ALSO WENT ALONG WITH THE TROOPS FOR AN ON-THE-SPOT REPORTING OF THE ECOWAS PEACE-KEEPING OPERATIONS IN LIBERIA, LOCAL PRES REPORTS SAID TODAY.

SOURCES HERE SAID THE LAST BATCH OF THE 700-STRONG NIGERIAN CONTINGENT IS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE FOR FREETOWN TODAY.

LAST SATURDAY NIGERIA STARTED AIRLIFTING OF ITS TROOPS TO FREETOWN LAST SATURDAY TO JOIN THE ECOWAS PEACE-KEEPING FORCE NUMBERING ABOUT 2,400 TROOPS.

-30- 1211

#90225h0063 08/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (AUG. 13) XINHUA - THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT WILL RELEASE 120 POLITICAL PRISONERS DURING THE FIRST TWO WEEKS OF SEPTEMBER UNDER THE AGREEMENT REACHED BETWEEN THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC) AND THE GOVERNMENT LAST WEEK.

THE "NEW NATION" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA REPORTED TODAY THAT ALTHOUGH THE RELEASE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS IS AN ANC- GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE, THE AGREED DEFINITION OF POLITICAL PRI- SONER IS BROAD AND COVERS ACTIVISTS WHO BELONG TO OTHER POLITICAL GROUPINGS.

THE JUSTICE MINISTRY OF SOUTH AFRICA SAID THAT OTHER ORGANIZATIONS WILL HAVE TO NEGOTIATE THE RELEASE OF THEIR OWN MEMBERS.

-30- 806
#90225h0065 08/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NEW DELHI (AUG. 13) XINHUA - INDIA IS PRESSING THE SOVIET UNION, MALAYSIA AND INDONESIA TO SUPPLY ADDITIONAL CRUDE OIL AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTS TO INDIA TO OFFSET ANY DISRUPTION IN SUPPLIES FROM KUWAIT OR IRAQ, INDIAN PETROLEUM MINISTER S. GURUPADASWAMY HAS SAID.

HE WAS QUOTED BY LOCAL PRESS REPORTS TODAY AS TELLING NEWSMEN ON SUNDAY THAT IF THE GULF CRISIS SPREADS TO SAUDI ARABIA OR THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, HITTING SUPPLIES FROM THERE, INDIA WILL FACE A SERIOUS SITUATION.

HE SAID CONTINGENCY PLANS ARE BEING DRAWN TO WARD OFF ANY DISRUPTION OF OIL SUPPLIES IN THE WAKE OF THE ESCALATING OIL CRISIS.

BUT HE WARNED THAT THE INVENTORY BUILT UP BY THE DOMESTIC OIL COMPANIES BY BUYING CRUDE AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IN THE SPOT MARKET BEFORE THE GULF CRISIS WILL LAST ONLY FIVE WEEKS.

THE SOVIET UNION, HE SAID, SUPPLIES BASRA CRUDE FROM IRAQ UNDER A BARTER AGREEMENT. BECAUSE OF THE CONFLICT, IRAQ MAY NOT SUPPLY THAT CRUDE TO THE SOVIET UNION, HE SAID, ADDING THAT INDIA HAS TAKEN UP THE MATTER WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND ASKED THEM TO TRY AND GET AT LEAST THAT QUANTITY OF OIL WHICH INDIA OUGHT TO GET FROM THEM.

MALAYSIA AND INDONESIA HAVE TALKED ABOUT THEIR COMMITMENT TO JAPAN BUT INDIA IS PURSUING THE MATTER, HE SAID.

GURUPADASWAMY NOTED, "THIS IS WHY THERE IS TOTAL UNCERTAINTY ON THIS ASPECT."

INDIA WILL REQUIRE CLOSE TO 20 MILLION TONS OF CRUDE AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTS THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO AN EARLIER REPORT.

-30- 1608
#90225h0074 08/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (AUG. 13) XINHUA - ABOUT 43,000 CYATHEA SPINULOSA TREES, A RARE SPECIES ON THE VERGE OF EXTINCTION, HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED IN JIAJIANG COUNTY IN SOUTHWEST CHINA'S SICHUAN PROVINCE, THE "PEOPLE'S DAILY" REPORTED TODAY.

THE TREES, LOCATED ON 20 HA OF LAND NEAR MUCHENG TOWNSHIP, HAVE BEEN LISTED AS PLANTS UNDER TOP STATE PROTECTION.

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#90225h0080 08/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CANBERRA (AUG. 13) XINHUA - TWO AUSTRALIAN GUIDED MISSILE FRIGATES, "DARWIN" AND "ADELIADE," WITH 400 MEN ON BOARD, HEADED OUT OF SYDNEY TODAY TO JOIN THE MULTI-NATIONAL FORCE IN THE PERSIAN GULF.

THE TWO FRIGATES WILL BE JOINED AT THE JERVES BAY IN NEW SOUTH WALES TOMORROW BY A SUPPLY SHIP, MAKING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF THE CONTINGENT AT 600.

AT THE DEPARTURE OF THE TWO NAVAL SHIPS, AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER BOB HAWKE SAID IN SYDNEY TODAY, "AUSTRALIA HAS IMPORTANT INTERESTS IN THE GULF. ALSO IT'S IMPORTANT FOR AUSTRALIA THAT THE WORLD UNDERSTANDS BIG COUNTRIES CANNOT INVADE SMALL NEIGHBORS AND GET AWAY WITH IT."

IT IS BELIEVED TO BE AUSTRALIA'S MOST SIGNIFICANT MILITARY MOVE SINCE THE VIETNAM WAR.

HAWKE DESCRIBED THE JOB OF THE CONTINGENT AS "RISKY," BUT "ESSENTIAL." THE PRIME MINISTER MADE HIS PLEDGE TO SEND NAVAL SHIPS TO THE GULF LAST FRIDAY (AUGUST 10). HE SAID IN SYDNEY TODAY THAT "IT'S THE MOST SERIOUS DECISION I'VE HAD TO TAKE AS PRIME MINISTER IN CONSULTATION WITH MY COLLEAGUES."

MEANWHILE, IRAQI AMBASSADOR TO AUSTRALIA AFIF ISSA AL RAWI WARNED HERE TODAY OF THE DANGERS THAT AWAITS THE AUSTRALIAN NAVAL VESSELS.

SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE THROUGH AN INTERPRETER, THE AMBASSADOR WARNED THAT THE AUSTRALIAN NAVAL FRIGATES WERE SAILING INTO DANGER AND WOULD BE ATTACKED.

HE SAID THAT THOUSANDS OF FOREIGNERS, INCLUDING AROUND ONE HUNDRED AUSTRALIANS WHO ARE TRAPPED IN IRAQ, WERE "SAFE," AND "WOULD ULTIMATELY BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE."

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#90225h0085 08/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CANBERRA (AUG. 13) XINHUA - A TWO-DAY MEETING TO DISCUSS POVERTY IN THE THIRD WORLD AND THE STRATEGIES FOR TACKLING IT, ORGANIZED BY THE AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE BUREAU, STARTED HERE TODAY.

IN HIS OPENING ADDRESS, AUSTRALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER GARETH EVANS SAID THAT ONE BILLION PEOPLE IN THE WORLD NOW LIVE IN ABSOLUTE POVERTY. THE DIMENSIONS OF THE PROBLEM ARE DAUNTING, HE SAID.

THE STRUGGLE AGAINST POVERTY MUST BE SUSTAINED AS VIGOROUSLY AS POSSIBLE, EVANS ADDED.

THE MINISTER STRESSED THAT ECONOMIC GROWTH WAS ESSENTIAL FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION. BUT TO EXPLOIT THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR

IMPROVED WELL-BEING THAT GROWTH OFFERS, THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS MUST BE PROPERLY MANAGED.

SOME DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, HAD BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL IN MANAGING THEIR GROWTH TO REDUCE POVERTY, HE SAID.

OVER 200 DELEGATES FROM U.N. ORGANIZATIONS, AUSTRALIA'S OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AND DIPLOMATIC CORPS ARE ATTENDING THE TWO-DAY DEBATE.

-30- 1188

#90225h0088 08/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NANJING (AUG. 13) XINHUA - CHINA'S LARGEST FABRIC JOINT VENTURE WITH A TOTAL INVESTMENT OF OVER 18 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS WAS SET UP HERE TODAY.

THE YIZHENG AMOCO FABRICS COMPANY LIMITED WAS JOINTLY ESTABLISHED BY THE YIZHENG JOINT CORPORATION OF CHEMICAL FIBER INDUSTRY, THE LARGEST OF ITS KIND IN CHINA, AND AMOCO CORPORATION, A LEADING AMERICAN PETROCHEMICAL COMPANY.

AMOCO IS SUPPLYING 50.1 PERCENT OF THE INVESTMENT. THE COMPANY WILL MAINLY PRODUCE INDUSTRIAL FABRICS FOR PACKING MATERIAL AND CARPET FOR EXPORT.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE WORKSHOP IS EXPECTED TO START IN OCTOBER AND FINISH IN 1992.

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#90225h0089 08/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (AUG. 13) XINHUA - A WATCH SHOP HERE WAS ROBBED OF A QUANTITY OF WATCHES WORTH ABOUT FOUR MILLION HONG KONG DOLLARS (512,820 U.S. DOLLARS) TODAY.

POLICE SAID THE CASE OCURRED AT ABOUT 11.45 AM WHEN A MAN POSING AS A CUSTOMER ENTERED THE SHOP IN TSIM SHA TSUI, KOWLOON.

THREATENING FIVE STAFF MEMBERS IN THE SHOP AT GUN-POINT, THE SUSPECT DECLARED ROBBERY AND SNATCHED ABOUT 50 WATCHES FROM A SHOWCASE.

TEH SUSPECT, IN HIS FORTIES, WAS SEEN ESCAPING ON FOOT WITH A BLACK BRIEFCASE.

NO SHOTS WERE FIRED AND NO ONE WAS INJURED, POLICE SAID.

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#90225h0093 08/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 13) XINHUA - ABOUT 27,000 PERSONS HAVE BEEN DECLARED WANTED IN NIGERIA DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS FOR ROAD TRAFFIC OFFENCES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY, ACCORDING TO A HIGH- LEVEL ROAD SAFETY OFFICIAL.

MR. YEMI OYEYEMI, THE ZONAL COMMANDER OF NIGERIAN FEDERAL ROAD SAFETY COMMISSION, SAID AT A MEETING OF THE COMMISSION HERE YESTERDAY THAT 16,500 ROAD TRAFFIC OFFENDERS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED DURING THE PERIOD IN LAGOS AND FOUR STATES AROUND.

HE CALLED FOR GREATER COOPERATION AMONG SECURITY AGENTS IN THE COUNTRY TO REDUCE ROAD ACCIDENTS WHICH HAVE KEPT ON AN ALARMING RATE IN RECENT YEARS.

ACCORDING TO EARLIER REPORTS, 29,622 NIGERIANS LOST THEIR LIVES IN ROAD ACCIDENTS IN THE PAST THREE AND A HALF YEARS WHILE 75,234 PERSONS WERE INJURED.

LAGOS STATE, WHERE THE CAPITAL OF THE COUNTRY IS LOCATED, TOPPED THE LIST WITH 3,077 NIGERIANS KILLED IN ROAD ACCIDENTS DURING THE PERIOD.

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#90225h0094 08/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HOHHOT (AUG. 13) XINHUA - DEPOSITS IN THE AGRICULTURAL BANK OF CHINA WERE 233.96 BILLION YUAN AT THE END OF JUNE, 28.41 BILLION YUAN MORE THAN THAT AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR.

BANK PRESIDENT MA YONGWEI, WHO IS IN INNER MONGOLIA ATTENDING THE CURRENT NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FINANCIAL WORK IN THE COUNTRYSIDE, SAID THE BANK'S SAVINGS DEPOSITS HAVE INCREASED BY 20.85 BILLION YUAN, THE BIGGEST INCREASE IN THE HISTORY OF THE BANK, AND ACCOUNTED FOR 73.4 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL INCREASE IN DEPOSITS.

MA NOTED THAT 19.99 BILLION YUAN OF THE INCREASE IN SAVINGS DEPOSITS, 95.9 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL, WAS IN FIXED DEPOSITS.

THE RAPID INCREASE IN SAVINGS WAS ATTRIBUTED TO THE BUMPER HARVEST, THE PAY RAISE AND STABLE PRICES.

SOME PRIVATE BUSINESSMEN HAVE CLOSED THEIR ENTERPRISES AND DEPOSITED THEIR CAPITAL IN THE BANK.

-30- 1003

#90225k0050 08/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 13) KYODO - THE BANK OF JAPAN HAS DECIDED TO PROVIDE ITS OWN MONTHLY INFLATION INDEX ON PRICES IN THE SERVICE SECTOR BEGINNING NEXT SPRING, CENTRAL BANK OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

THE NEW SERVICE PRICE INDEX (SPI) WILL MEASURE PRICE TRENDS IN SERVICE-RELATED INDUSTRIES, WHICH ARE PLAYING AN INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT ROLE IN JAPAN'S ECONOMY, THEY SAID.

SERVICE OUTPUT WAS VALUED AT SOME 11 TRILLION YEN IN 1985, EQUIVALENT TO NEARLY HALF OF MANUFACTURING OUTPUT WORTH ABOUT 23 TRILLION YEN, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST INTER-INDUSTRY RELATIONS TABLE PUBLISHED LAST YEAR BY THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI).

THE GAP BETWEEN SERVICE AND MANUFACTURING OUTPUT HAS NARROWED FURTHER RECENTLY, MITI ECONOMISTS SAID.

THE SPI WILL BE BASED ON DATA COVERING MORE THAN 2,500 PRICES IN SOME 30 SERVICE-RELATED INDUSTRIES. THE OFFICIALS SAID THE DATA WOULD COVER MOST OF SERVICE TRANSACTIONS AMONG CORPORATIONS.

SERVICE COSTS TO BE CHARTED INCLUDE OFFICE RENTAL FEES, TRUCK FREIGHT, ADVERTISING EXPENDITURES, COMPUTER RENTAL FEES, AND SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT COSTS.

THE NEW INDEX IS TO BE COMPILED EVERY THREE MONTHS IN THE INITIAL STAGE FROM EARLY NEXT SPRING AND WILL BE PUBLISHED MONTHLY AFTERWARDS, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS.

THE CENTRAL BANK EXPECTS THE NEW INDICATOR TO ACT AS A SUPPLEMENTARY PRICE GAUGE TO THE PRESENT WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX, WHICH IS CALCULATED MOSTLY ON PRICES OF MANUFACTURED AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AS WELL AS UTILITIES.

THE NEW INDEX THEREFORE IS EXPECTED TO MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR THE CENTRAL BANK TO BETTER TRACK PRICE TRENDS IN LINE WITH REAL ECONOMIC ACTIVITY, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90225k0059 08/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 13) KYODO - JAPAN WILL EXTEND A TOTAL OF 4,776 MILLION YEN IN GRANT ASSISTANCE TO THAILAND, INCLUDING FUNDS FOR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL TRAINING AND RESEARCH, THE FOREIGN MINISTRY SAID MONDAY.

OFFICIALS SAID THE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO THAILAND WAS FORMALLY PLEDGED IN BANGKOK ON MONDAY IN AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN JAPANESE DIPLOMATS AND THAI GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

UP TO 862 MILLION YEN OF THE GRANT AID WAS SET ASIDE FOR THE SECOND PHASE OF A PROJECT TO ESTABLISH AN ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING CENTER.

OFFICIALS SAID THE ENVIROMENTAL CENTER, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED

BY THE END OF 1991, WILL BE THE FIRST OF ITS KIND TO BE FUNDED BY JAPAN IN THE REGION OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN).

JAPAN ALSO WILL PROVIDE UP TO 2,636 MILLION YEN FOR A PROJECT TO CONSTRUCT VIADUCTS ON THE RAMA IV ROAD, WHICH RUNS THROUGH THE CENTRAL PART OF BANGKOK, TO ALLEVIATE TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND REDUCE EXHAUST POLLUTION.

ANOTHER 1,229 MILLION YEN IS EARMARKED FOR A PROJECT TO CONSTRUCT BRIDGES IN NORTHEASTERN THAILAND WITH A VIEW TO UPGRADING THE STANDARD OF LIVING IN THE RELATIVELY POOR RURAL REGION THROUGH AN IMPROVED TRANSPORTATION NETWORK.

SOME 49 MILLION YEN IN CULTURAL GRANTS, MEANWHILE, WILL BE CONTRIBUTED TO BANGKOK'S CHULALONGKORN UNIVERSITY TO BUY A NEW JAPANESE TELESCOPE FOR ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATION.

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#90225k0061 08/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 13) KYODO - GOVERNMENT MINISTRIES AND AGENCIES ARE EXPECTED TO REQUEST FISCAL 1991 BUDGET ALLOCATIONS TOTALING SOME 70.7 TRILLION YEN, TOPPING THE 70 TRILLION YEN MARK FOR THE FIRST TIME, FINANCE MINISTRY SOURCES SAID MONDAY.

SUCH REQUESTS WILL BE SUBMITTED BY THE END OF AUGUST, MARKING A SECOND STEP BY THE GOVERNMENT TOWARD PREPARING THE BUDGET FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR WHICH BEGINS IN APRIL 1991 FOLLOWING ITS ADOPTION LAST MONTH OF A 4.4 PERCENT CEILING ON YEAR-ON-YEAR GROWTH IN GENERAL-OPERATING EXPENDITURES.

THE MINISTRY SOURCES CITED AS A PRIME FACTOR BEHIND THE MASSIVE FUNDING REQUESTS INCREASED DEBT-SERVICING COSTS AS A RESULT OF SURGING INTEREST RATES AT HOME.

SPENDING ON DEBT-SERVICING WOULD INCREASE BY 12 PERCENT TO ROUGHLY 16 TRILLION YEN, GROWING AT A FASTER PACE THAN ANY OTHER SPENDING CATEGORY IN THE 1991 BUDGET, OR GENERAL-ACCOUNT OUTLAYS, THE SOURCES SAID.

THE GENERAL-ACCOUNT BUDGET, DESIGNED TO FINANCE GENERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS, DEBT-SERVICING AND GRANTS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, IS A MAJOR PART OF TOTAL GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES THAT ENCOMPASS MANY SPECIAL ACCOUNTS AND THE FISCAL INVESTMENT AND LOAN PROGRAM, KNOWN AS ''THE SECOND BUDGET.''

BASED ON SUCH FUNDING REQUESTS, THE FINANCE MINISTRY WILL COMPILE A DRAFT BUDGET BY DECEMBER, TOUCHING OFF THE PROCESS OF HAGGLING OVER UNALLOCATED FUNDS BETWEEN THE FINANCE MINISTRY AND OTHER MINISTRIES.

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#90225k0067 08/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 13) KYODO - INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY MINISTER KABUN MUTO WILL VISIT FOUR EUROPEAN COUNTRIES AS WELL AS CANADA EARLY NEXT MONTH MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

MUTO WILL VISIT BRITAIN, IRELAND, WEST GERMANY, EAST GERMANY, AND SPAIN FROM SEPTEMBER 1 TO 9 FOR TALKS ON A WIDE RANGE OF TRADE ISSUES.

THE MINISTRY CHIEF WILL ALSO HEAD TO CANADA TO ATTEND URUGUAY ROUND OF MULTILATERAL TRADE LIBERALIZATION TALKS AMONG THE 12 ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION (APEC) FORUM TRADE MINISTERS SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 11-12 IN VANCOUVER.

MUTO IS ALSO EXPECTED TO MEET OTHER APEC TRADE MINISTERS FOR SEPARATE TALKS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90225k0072 08/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 13) KYODO - KDD, JAPAN'S INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS GIANT, AGREED MONDAY WITH CHINA'S POST AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY AND AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CO.(AT AND T) TO LAY A SUBMARINE OPTICAL-FIBER CABLE BETWEEN JAPAN AND CHINA, A KDD SPOKESMAN SAID.

A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT SIGNED BY THEM ALSO COVERS A PLAN TO CONSTRUCT DIGITAL SATELLITE COMMUNICATION FACILITIES IN CHINA TO BE LINKED TO THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE (INTELSAT) SYSTEM, HE SAID.

THE OPTICAL-FIBER UNDERSEA CABLE, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND TO COVER CHINA, WILL RUN SOME 1,300 KILOMETERS BETWEEN MIYAZAKI IN SOUTHERN KYUSHU AND SHANGHAI. THE OPERATION IS EXPECTED TO START AT THE END OF 1993, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE 10 BILLION YEN CABLE WILL HAVE TWO COMMUNICATIONS CIRCUITS, EACH WITH A CAPACITY OF 560 MEGABITS. THE CABLE WILL BE CONNECTED WITH THE TRANS-PACIFIC CABLE (TPC-4), DUE TO BE INSTALLED BY 1992 BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN, ENABLING CHINA TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GLOBAL DIGITAL COMMUNICATION NETWORK, THE KDD OFFICIAL SAID.

MEANWHILE, THE INTELSAT FACILITIES WILL BE COMPLETED SOMETIME NEXT YEAR, LINKING BEIJING AND SHANGHAI WITH JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES, HE SAID.

THE PLANNED PROJECTS ARE PRIVATE-SECTOR INITIATIVES AND WILL NOT BE AFFECTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL SANCTIONS IMPOSED AGAINST THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT SINCE THE MILITARY CRACKDOWN ON THE PRO-DEMOCRACY MOVEMENT IN TIANANMEN SQUARE IN JUNE LAST YEAR, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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#90225k0074 08/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
KATHMANDU (AUG. 13) KYODO - A GROUP OF NEPALESE WOMEN ORGANIZED A DEMONSTRATION MONDAY TO PROTEST THE DISMISSAL OF BENAZIR BHUTTO AS PRIME MINISTER OF PAKISTAN AND THE DISSOLUTION OF THE PAKISTANI NATIONAL ASSEMBLY.

THE DEMONSTRATORS, WHO WERE LATER JOINED BY COMMUNIST STUDENTS, YOUTHS, AND PEASANTS, MARCHED TO THE PAKISTANI EMBASSY AND HANDED A PROTEST NOTE TO THE EMBASSY STAFF.

IN THE STRONGLY WORDED NOTE, THE WOMEN DESCRIBED PAKISTANI PRESIDENT GHULAM ISHAQ KHAN'S DECISION AS ''UNDEMOCRATIC STEP'' AND URGED HIM TO WITHDRAW IT WITHOUT DELAY.

LAST WEEK, PAKISTANI PRESIDENT KHAN SACKED BHUTTO, CITING CORRUPTION, ABUSE OF FEDERAL POWER, AND NEPOTISM. HE ALSO DISSOLVED THE 238-SEAT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR AN ELECTION OCTOBER 24.

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BANGKOK (AUG. 13) KYODO - CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER QIAN QICHEN TOLD THAI FOREIGN MINISTER SIDDHI SAVETSILA ON MONDAY THAT INDONESIA AND FRANCE ARE PREPARING TO SPONSOR A FRESH ROUND OF TALKS BETWEEN CAMBODIA'S FOUR WARRING FACTIONS AS PART OF THEIR EFFORTS TO BRING PEACE TO CAMBODIA.

THE ANTI-HANOI, TRIPARTITE GUERRILLA COALITION, WHICH INCLUDES THE CHINESE-BACKED KHMER ROUGE, IS REPORTEDLY PREPARED TO ACCEPT THE FRANCO-INDONESIAN INITIATIVES, CHINESE SOURCES SAID.

QIAN TOLD SIDDHI THAT INDONESIA'S FOREIGN MINISTER ALI ALATAS HOPES TO HOST THE NEW ROUND OF TALKS IN JAKARTA, THE SOURCES SAID.

QIAN AND SIDDHI AGREED ON THE NEED TO ESTABLISH THE SUPREME NATIONAL COUNCIL WHICH WILL SERVE AS AN INTERIM GOVERNING BODY OF CAMBODIA, THEY SAID.

THE CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER FLEW TO BANGKOK FROM SINGAPORE EARLIER IN THE DAY, ACCOMPANYING PREMIER LI PENG.

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COLOMBO (AUG. 13) KYODO - THE DEATH TOLL IN A SERIES OF MASSACRES OF MOSLEMS AND TAMILS IN SRI LANKA OVER THE WEEKEND ROSE TO 159, MILITARY OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

TAMIL REBELS KILLED 122 MOSLEMS IN THE EASTERN COASTAL TOWN OF ERAVUR, SOME 200 KILOMETERS FROM THE CAPITAL, ON SATURDAY, OFFICIALS SAID. IN A REPRISAL ATTACK BY MOSLEMS ON A TAMIL REFUGEE CAMP IN THE ADJOINING DISTRICT OF KALMUNAI, 37 ARE NOW CONFIRMED DEAD, THEY SAID.

M.H. ASHRAFF, PRESIDENT OF THE SRI LANKA MOSLEM CONGRESS, SAID THAT OVER 700 MOSLEMS HAVE BEEN KILLED BY THE LIBERATION TIGERS OF TAMIL EELAM (LTTE) SINCE HOSTILITIES BETWEEN THE LTTE AND GOVERNMENT FORCES ERUPTED ON JUNE 11.

POLITICAL ANALYSTS SAID THE KILLING OF MOSLEMS IS SEEN AS THE LTTE'S STRATEGY TO FORCE A BACKLASH AGAINST TAMILS. ''THEY WOULD THEN BE ABLE TO INTERNATIONALIZE THE CONFLICT ALLEGING GENOCIDE OF TAMILS BY GOVERNMENT FORCES,'' ONE ANALYST SAID.

MEANWHILE, IN OTHER DEVELOPMENTS ON SUNDAY, SIX SOLDIERS AND 17 OTHERS WERE KILLED IN SEPARATE INCIDENTS IN THE NORTHEAST REGION, MILITARY OFFICIALS SAID.

FOURTEEN FISHERMEN AND AN OFF-DUTY POLICEMAN WERE KILLED WHEN THEY WERE TRAVELING IN A TRUCK IN PATIMADU IN EASTERN TRINCOMALEE MONDAY MORNING, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

SIX SOLDIERS WERE KILLED AND THREE OTHERS INJURED DURING A ROUTE CLEARING PATROL IN NORTHWESTERN TALLAIMANNAR, WHEN TAMIL GUERRILLAS OPENED FIRE.

ONE CIVILIAN WAS REPORTED KILLED IN CROSSFIRE BETWEEN GOVERNMENT FORCES AND REBELS IN NORTHWESTERN VAVUNIYA, WHILE ANOTHER WAS KILLED WHEN GUERRILLAS TRIED TO ATTACK VILLAGERS IN EASTERN AMPARA ON SUNDAY, OFFICIALS SAID.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 13) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stock markets are lower as the Nikkei nose dives 1153 points, losing more than 4% to close at 26,176, lowest in more than 2 years. bonds are lower. ... The EXMI, measuring overseas trading in 20 U.S. stocks, is about 2 points lower.

ROBERT CAMPEAU is ousted as chairman and CEO of the firm that bears his name. ... "Crains's Chicago Business" cites unidentified boards members as saying SEARS directors have given Chairman EDWARD BRENNAN six months to

post significant gains in retail operations or face ouster. ... GENERAL MOTORS is forced to close additional plants in Michigan and Louisiana because of a strike at its Flint, Mich., plant. ... UNITED AUTO WORKERS say they are not interested in CHRYSLER's offer to give them a stake in the company.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT issues retail sales figures for July tomorrow. Other economic reports this week include manufacturing and trade inventories and sales on Wednesday, and the merchandise trade balance on Friday. But the big day is Thursday when the following reports are due out: consumer prices, industrial production, capacity utilization, housing starts and real earnings.

FROM THE BULLS:

"So what if there's a recession? Interest rates would plummet and the stock market would go straight up," says the bullish ROGER ENGEMANN, a growth-stock manager in Pasadena Calif. The Aug. 6 letter to his clients was headlined, "Buy now!" (WSJ, 8/13)

"Even though confidence is not out there, I think this is a good time to buy stocks for the long pull," says JULIUS WESTHEIMER. His position is that stocks which investors thought we good buys a few days ago are even better buys now that their prices are down 10% or 15%. ("Wall Street Week", 8/10

FROM THE BEARS:

"We could be in for an old-fashioned bear market where there's a long, slow bleed," says analyst FRANK GRETZ of SHIELD & CO. "Stocks have been vulnerable for some time. [Saddam] Hussein just triggered it." RICKY HARRINGTON of MARION BASS SECURITIES says there could be a brief rebound on good news from the Middle East, but "for the next six to nine months the market will likely be lower." ("USA Today", 8/13)

"I think we might have a few months where we're in for a tough period here " says KATHLEEN MILLARD, a CHASE MANHATTAN vice president who oversees $400 million in equity investments. "We've resumed kind of a downtrend, and I don't think anybody can really deny that. ... But I expect to be looking for a bottom in the next six months or so where it's going to be a great buying opportunity more than anything else." ("Wall Street Week", 8/10)

"Corporate profits are inflated by credit and deflated by stagnation of

credit. If people can't borrow, their spending power is limited," says MICHAEL ARONSTEIN of COMSTOCK PARTNERS. As a result, he says, consumer-related growth stocks are in for a sharp re-evaluation. Mr. Aronstein derides hopes for lower interest rates and rising stock prices this year as believing in "the liquidity fairy." Comstock Partners is staking its reputation on a bear market, as Mr. Aronstein muses, "We've been bears in a bull market. If we're wrong here, we aren't only going to be laughing stocks, we will be out of the investment management business [by] this time next year." (WSJ, 8/13)

STOCK MARKET:

While looking for lower prices short term, JIM STANTON of NEW LONDON TRADING believes the S&P 330 and Dow 2500 area lows of last October and January should withstand any selling over the next two weeks. "We're looking to enter the market on the long side from there," says Stanton, who thinks the Dow could then rally to 2800-2900 before another move down. "It's in sort of a big trading range and I think there's an opportunity to make some money on the long side." (FNN "World Business Update", 8/13)

When looked at from a long-term perspective, stocks are now at a point where they are attractive, says MONTE GORDON, director of research for DREYFUS CORP. "There is buying going on out there, very quietly." According to Gordon, most asset allocation models are still calling for 60% in stocks. Falling stock prices have pushed the equity value of many portfolios below this target level, forcing their managers back into the market to buy stocks, says Gordon. (CNBC "World Business", 8/13)

Last week's declining stock prices led to the biggest one-week drop in small investors' portfolios since January 1988. Small investors are redeeming their shares in stock and bond mutual funds, says JORDAN GOODMAN of "Money." They are moving to money market funds which jumped by $4.2 billion last week, the year's largest increase. But while mutual fund holders are selling, individual stock pickers are buying. At SCHWAB last week, $40 million of mutual fund redemptions were offset by a net $70 million purchase of stock by investors, reports Goodman. (CNN "Business Morning", 8/13)

"I think it's still a little early [to be buying stocks]," says BERNADETTE MURPHY. "I think we've gone through the period where cash has been raised so that in case the situation deteriorates further investors have capital to work with. ... But I think we should sit back and just watch events develop a little bit more here so, maybe, we can have maybe a better buying opportunity." ("Wall Street Week", 8/10)

"Aggressive traders could play the expected rally, while defensive players could use the rally to lighten up if they did not want to stay in the market long-term," says money manager THOMAS BASSO of TRENDSTAT CAPITAL

MANAGEMENT. "One should not sell out now, nor should one jump in too much and try to be a hero." ("Investor's Daily", 8/13)

"Even if the Iraqi problem disappears, the market still has to confront the fundamentals of a weak economy and earnings disappointments," says STEVEN EINHORN, chief investment strategist at GOLDMAN SACHS. He says stocks remain overvalued. (NYT, 8/12)

"The market is jittery and that tells us that although the decline may be near its final phase, it's not over," says portfolio manager ROBERT WALSH of JENSWOLD KING & ASSOCIATES in Houston. "I don't think it will be completed until the situation in the Mideast and the economy are better defined." Walsh thinks the market is in an intermediate-term correction and that the Dow over the next three to six months will trade between 2300 to 2400 on the downside and 2800 to 2900 on the upside. ("Investor's Daily", 8/13)

"The easy thing to do is say 'It's the 1970s all over again and look for a bear market as he had in 1974 or 1975,' but I don't think we're going to have that now," says ROBERT STOVALL of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. "Inflation is much less now and money has been tighter. ... I think what we're going to see now is a reduced volatility compared to the 1970s. ... It's a day-to-day thing, but I don't believe we have to gear ourselves for a shooting war type of economy in the stock market." ("Wall Street Week", 8/10)

"The market is now driven by Middle East events and that will continue to dominate stocks," says LARRY GREENWALD of SANFORD C. BERNSTEIN. ("USA Today", 8/13)

"The Middle East is keeping people very nervous [in all world markets] and keeping people in cash," says DAVID ROBBINS, head of the international securities department at UBS SECURITIES. He says that even without an escalation in the Persian Gulf world markets are likely to drift lower. "And whenever you get a bad piece of news out of the Gulf, the markets will sell off again." (NYT, 8/13)

"It's simply that people don't want to be long over the weekend because of the Mideast," says CRAIG CORCORAN, an analyst with DAVIS/ZWEIG FUTURES INC., on the market's steep drop Friday. "The sentiment is think the worst and sell now." He adds that the market may be trying to test the 2700 level. (Reuters, 8/10)

"We just had some very nervous investors today after some belligerent talk out of Iraq about a holy war," says NEWTON ZINDER, analyst at SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON, INC. "With the weekend coming up people didn't want to hold stocks. What they did was flock to what they always do in times of turmoil, gold. Gold stocks were strong and everything else was weak."

(UPI, 8/10)

"I think there's an absence of buyers here," says THOMAS GALLAGHER of OPPENHEIMER & CO. "There's a feeling ... on Wall Street that the weekend is coming and there's no sense having any positions. No one wants to take the chance that over the weekend something happens and then you have a real calamity on the downside." (CNBC "Business View", 8/10)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"It's a surprise that the dollar is not higher" given events in the Middle East, says VICTOR POLCE of ALGEMENE BANK NEDERLAND in New York. "The dollar is going to be heading south," probably to 1.50- 1.55 marks and the "low 140s" against the yen, as soon as the last of it's "safe haven" appeal is worn off. AARON COHEN, a senior analyst at DAIWA SECURITIES., says, "Looking ahead we expect the dollar to go back down by the last quarter of the year." (WSJ, 8/13)

"The world is in a position where there just is not enough money," says MICHAEL ARONSTEIN, one of the three COMSTOCK PARTNERS. If you live in Iraq, you invade your neighbor. If you live in South America, you produce more commodities. If you live in Eastern Europe, you revolt against your government and don't eat as much. From a financial perspective, the difference between the U.S. and the rest of the world is that we have periodic auctions of three-year, 10-year and 30-year government debt and people attend them. But we are approaching a point where a government borrowing without limit is coming to an end." ("Barron's", 8/13)

"The Fed had ground down the economy to fight inflation and was about ready to have a victory celebration," says STAN SHIPLEY of SHEARSON LEHMAN. "Instead, the only victory celebration is in Iraq." ("Investor's Daily", 8/13)

BRIAN FABBRI, chief economist at MIDLAND MONTAGU, says he doubts whether the Fed can move fast enough to avoid a recession "before the full force of a recession hits us before the fourth quarter. The longer the Fed delays, the less effective its efforts will be. The economy needs more than modest declines in interest rates, such as the Fed's quarter-point cut in the funds rate on July 13." (NYT, 8/13)

"Apart from a resolution of the political crisis in the Persian Gulf, it

is unclear what conditions might be necessary to trigger another easing move by the Fed, as inevitable as such a move appears," says ROBERT DiCLEMENTE, a senior economist a SALOMON BROTHERS. "The increasing likelihood of recession, reinforced by temporarily higher oil prices, makes a more aggressive cut in the [federal] funds rate a possibility when the Fed finally grudgingly deems that an easing is again appropriate," says PHILIP BRAVERMAN, an economist with DKB SECURITIES. ("Investor's Daily", 8/13)

"I don't think you can expect the Fed to ease money at the same time we're spending hundreds of millions of dollars on a weekly basis to transport tens of thousands of troops and activate National Guard units and reserves " says ROBERT STOVALL of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. "This isn't the time for that. I think the Fed is just going to have to stay pretty snug and I don't think we can see much help from that score." ("Wall Street Week", 8/10)

"The risk of military engagement [in the Mideast] is still considerable and the [bond] market implications of that scenario are probably negative " says JAMES KOCHAN, chief fixed income strategist at MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MARKETS. "But the implications of the more

likely scenario -- prolonged economic blockade -- have now been factored into market prices." ("Investor's Daily", 8/13)

"While the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the surge in oil prices it produced dominated the headlines last week, the bond market's focus this week will swing back to the worsening economy," says IRWIN KELLNER, chief economist at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER TRUST CO. "After the battering the credit market took, it now knows it cannot continue to react to the minute-to-minute news developments in the Mideast and must deal with the main question: whether Dr. [Alan] Greenspan will finally prescribe the chicken soup of lower interest rates to avoid the recession that many in the market believe is already upon us." DAVID JONES of AUBREY G. LANSTON & CO. agrees that "while the events in the Mideast cannot be ignored, the credit markets will definitely swing back to fundamentals, which point to a resumption of the downward trend in interest rates because the economy is in such poor shape and getting worse." (NYT, 8/13)

At Thursday's sale of 30-year Treasury bonds, Japanese investors purchased only between 5% and 15% of the $10.26 billion of bonds sold. It is a trend that analysts expect to persist. "The Japanese have got all the dollars they need," says ROBERT FELDMAN, an economist with SALOMON BROTHERS INC. in Tokyo. Besides, KOICHI TORIHARA, an international investment manager at DAI-ICHI KANGYO BANK LTD., adds, "It's not the right time to do long-term investments." (WSJ, 8/13)

"It's not good sense to buy U.S. Treasuries," says HIDEAKI NISHISAKA, a

manager at DAIDO MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO., which has $20 billion in assets. He says the Japanese company has trimmed its holdings of U.S. Treasury bonds to about two-thirds of the amount it would consider a full load. (WSJ, 8/13)

Without big Japanese interest, "the bonds have to be bought by domestic investors," says SCOTT PARDEE, chairman of the U.S. subsidiary of YAMAICHI SECURITIES CO. in New York. "To the extent that our savings can't cover our fiscal deficit, the savings and loan bailout, the state budget deficits and the legitimate needs of U.S. industry, then our rates are going to have to go up." (WSJ, 8/13)

THE ECONOMY:

"Now I think what's going on in the Middle East has given us the excuse we needed to perhaps put a name on what was already in place, which is a recession," says KATHLEEN MILLARD, of CHASE MANHATTAN. "The effect of higher oil prices will be like a tax on the consumer, who will retrench even further and that will cause a pullback in economic momentum." ("Wall Street Week", 8/10)

"We continue to maintain that the U.S. economy has enough forward momentum to avoid contraction -- even in the face of an energy shock," says STEPHEN ROACH, senior economist at MORGAN STANLEY & CO., issuing a post-oil-crisis assessment of the U.S. economy. (WSJ, 9/13)

"This will be the first recession in 20 to 30 years where we can't use fiscal stimulus to help turn things around," says JOE CARSON, economist at CHEMICAL BANK. "The Fed won't ease monetary policy right away, either, because of the inflationary implications of higher oil prices. The absence of both those remedies will have a tendency to prolong the period of economic contraction." ("Barron's", 8/13)

The consensus view calls for the July CPI to log a moderate 0.3% increase. "But no one will care," says BRIAN FABBRI, chief economist at MIDLAND MONTAGU BANK in New York. "The obvious focus is on what the CPI and PPI will do in the next two months: They're both probably going to be up over one percentage point." (WSJ, 8/13)

"I'm not sure high oil prices will stick, for political and economic reasons," says economist SAM KAHAN of FUJI SECURITIES. "Even if they do, [inflation] won't filter down, won't feed on itself." ("Investor's Daily", 8/13)

Producer prices declined 0.1% last month according to a LABOR DEPARTMENT report released last Friday. "Absent the still undecided energy situation producer inflation is not threatening the economy," says RON SCHREIBMAN, vice president of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WHOLESALERS-DISTRIBUTORS.

"Thus, the economic evidence favoring lower interest rates is still compelling." GORDON RICHARDS, of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS, adds, "Perhaps the supreme irony in these figures is that without the Middle East crisis, the Federal Reserve's gradualist disinflationary strategy would have been successful." (WSJ, 8/13)

"Oil prices would have to be a lot higher to put Europe into a recession," says PETER GUTMANN, an economist at the NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK, one of Britain's largest. (NYT, 8/13)

Higher oil prices are hurting the real estate market. Most inflation estimates have been revised upward to 6% for 1990 and 5% for 1991, says RICHARD HOEY, economist with BARCLAYS DE ZOETE WEDD. "Because people have revised up their inflation estimates ... long term interest rates have risen. And we now see rising mortgage rates out there on the front lines of a real estate market that is already very, very depressed." ("The Wall Street Journal TV Report", 8/13)

IN WASHINGTON:

TREASURY SECRETARY NICHOLAS BRADY says the Persian Gulf crisis could bring the economy's growth to nearly zero and urges the Fed to cut interest rates. But in an interview published Sunday by "The Washington Post," the secretary says there is "still a rate of growth" in the economy and called it "resilient." ("The Washington Post", 8/12)

"The New York Times" reports that "the freeze on Iraqi and Kuwaiti investments and bank deposits ... is not likely to be costly to American banks, according to government data and bankers' estimates." SHARIF GHALIB director of the Africa/Middle East department at the INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL FINANCE in Washington estimates that institutions in other parts of the world are more vulnerable that

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - GTI Corp. (AMEX: GTI) today reported revenues of $11,637,000 and net income of $422,000 or $.06 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to net revenues of $11,291,000 and net income of $677,000 or $.10 per share reported for the same period during 1989. Although down year-to-year, earnings for the second quarter increased over first quarter earnings, continuing the company's positive earnings trend.

For the six month period ended June 30, 1990, net revenues were $21,642,000 compared to $22,397,000 for the same period last year. Net income during the six month period was $497,000 or $.07 per share compared to $1,223,000 or $.18 per share for the first half of 1989. Order backlog

was $9,757,000 on June 30, 1990 compared to $9,422,000 on the same date last year.

Commenting on the results, Gary L. Luick, president and chief operating officer said, "As we stated in our most recent annual report, we expect 1990 to be a year of continuing improvement. This improvement is evident in the $.05 per share increase in net income in the second quarter of 1990 compared to the first quarter. We remain confident of continued earnings gains as we secure new business and continually implement new cost reduction measures."

Luick also stated that GTI's Circuits Group is experiencing slow improvement in demand from the automotive industry and is focusing on attracting new business opportunities. In addition, while the market still remains soft at GTI - Ireland, the Electronics Group showed a strong first half aided by the glass agreement with Corning and expanded IBM business. GTI's Distribution Group has been affected by the same sluggishness affecting electronic component distribution nationally, but has been able to maintain its high standards of profitability.

As announced in May of this year, GTI Corporation has agreed to acquire 90 percent of the stock of San Diego-based Valor Electronics as part of its strategy of acquiring businesses which concentrate on electronics based technologies. The acquisition of Valor, which is expected to close in August, will give GTI entree into the Local Area Networking (LANS) market, one of the fastest growing areas of the electronics industry.

GTI Corp. is a multi-plant distributor and manufacturer of electronic components, circuit boards and electronic component processing equipment for the automotive, instrumentation, industrial, electronics and computer industries.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Canada Southern Petroleum Ltd. (TSE, PSE: CSW) said gas sales from the Kotaneelee field will begin in November 1990.

The company, which has a 30 percent carried interest in the field, said it has been advised of a one-year contract for sales to British Columbia Petroleum Corporation, but that further details are not now available to Canada Southern.

The large Kotaneelee field, located in the southeastern Yukon Territory, is the subject of continuing litigation in the court of Queens Bench,

Calgary, where Canada Southern has filed a lawsuit seeking unspecified damages as well as a return of the interests held by the working interest holders, Amoco Canada and its Dome Petroleum unit, Esso Canada, Mobil Canada, and Columbia Gas Development of Canada.

A Canada Southern spokesman said the sales contract with British Columbia Petroleum does not remedy the defendants' earlier failure and refusal to market Kotaneelee Gas, and that the lawsuit is proceeding through discovery toward trial. He also pointed out that, if the defendants' interests were forfeited, Canada Southern would then have a 90 percent interest in the field.

The spokesman further noted that Kotaneelee, which was discovered by Canada Southern, has been connected to a major pipeline system since 1978, and is capable of producing 120 million cubic feet of gas per day on a sustained basis.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - 88open Consortium Ltd. announces Encore Computer Corp., Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., as the newest member of the organization. Encore, which joins the consortium as a principal member, brings additional real-time and multiprocessing capabilities to the 88000 RISC architecture.

Encore's recently announced line of high-performance systems, called the Encore 90 Family, also brings industry-standard software applications to the consortium. The mission of 88open is to increase the availability of certified software across a multitude of 88000 platforms.

The Encore 90 Family of systems enables real-time operating systems to work together in a symmetric, multiprocessing environment. The Encore 91 Series, the first member of the family, can be configured using up to four 88000 MPUs, the UNIX System V operating system, and associated 88open-certified software, while providing real-time performance.

"We feel our Encore 90 will help position us and 88open as technology drivers in the real-time computing environment," said Tom Zender, Encore vice president of marketing. "It also shows our commitment to our customers' needs for open standards and software."

"The addition of Encore to 88open adds a strong voice to the large number of real-time companies working with the 88000 architecture and 88open. As a principal member, Encore will help set our operational and standards directions," said Tom Mace, 88open president.

Encore will also encourage the additional integration of 88open and OSF activities. The company supplies the base Mach port and its multiprocessing kernel expertise to the Open Software Foundation as the basis of the OSF/1 operating system.

Encore Computer Corp. is based in Ft. Lauderdale. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports a wide range of real-time and parallel processing systems for commercial, technical and government applications.

88open Consortium Ltd. is an organization of systems and software suppliers supporting Motorola's 88000 RISC architecture. The consortium developed the UNIX industry's first application binary interface (ABI), helping to bring shrink-wrapped software to UNIX systems. With more than 50 members worldwide, 88open certifies software packages for portability across a wide variety of MC88000-based platforms and applications.

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NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Sevenson Environmental Services Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SEVN) announced today that the Army Corps of Engineers has awarded the company a $7.6 million contract for excavation and off-site removal of 5,000 cubic yards of low-level radioactive waste-contaminated soil in Montclair, N.J.

The project is located in a suburban area in northern New Jersey, where, in the early 1900s, radium-contaminated wastes were dumped or used as fill around houses. Sevenson will excavate and transport the wastes to a a low-level radioactive waste disposal facility.

Sevenson also announced that the company has received notice of award for a $6.8 million contract to perform cleanup work at the Aladdin Plating Superfund site in Chinchilla, Pa. The site is contaminated by chromium wastes from a metal plating operation which occupied the site from 1947 to 1982. The project involves the removal of 20,000 tons of chromium contamination from the site to a secure landfill disposal facility.

Both projects are scheduled to be completed by the end of the year. Finally, Sevenson announced that the company has received several contracts with a total value in excess of $2 million from a confidential industrial customer for site cleanup work in New York State. Work on these projects will begin immediately and will also be completed by the end of the year.

William J. McDermott, Sevenson's chief financial officer, said: "With the addition of these contracts we expect Sevenson's revenues for 1990 to exceed $65 million." In 1989, Sevenson had revenues of $52 million.

Sevenson provides a comprehensive range of field services for the remediation of sites and facilities contaminated by hazardous materials. The company, which is headquartered in Niagara Falls, N.Y., operates in the United States and Canada. Since entering the site remediation business in 1979, the company has performed over 200 projects including projects at the Love Canal and at other Superfund sites.

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MILWAUKEE (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Sybron Acquisition today announced its financial results for the first three quarters of its fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1990, and results for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales for the three quarters totaled $244.2 million, compared to $222.5 million for the same period of fiscal 1989, an increase of 9.8 percent. Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization for the first three quarters of fiscal 1990 were $61.5 million compared to $56.7 million for the 1989 three quarters, up 8.5 percent.

Net sales for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990, totaled $83.5 million compared to $75.0 million for the same period in 1989, an increase of 11.3 percent. Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization were $22.5 million, compared to $20.0 million for the corresponding 1989 period, an increase of 12.5 percent.

The company had net income of $2.3 million for the three quarters of fiscal 1990. Kenneth F. Yontz, chairman, president and CEO, explained that for the first time since the acquisition of the company's subsidiaries in September 1987, the company reported year to date net income despite charges due to non cash amortization of goodwill and financing costs related to the acquisition. The results were within the company's expectations. Sybron also reported net income of $3.2 million for the most recent quarter.

Yontz stated that income resulted from improved gross and operating margins during the current periods when compared with the periods one year earlier. Gross margins increased to 48.1 percent from 47.2 percent and to 49.2 percent from 48.3 percent for the nine and three-month periods ended June 30, 1990, respectively. Operating margins increased to 18.1 percent from 17.2 percent and to 20.9 percent from 18.0 percent for the

nine and three-month periods ended June 30, 1990, respectively.

Sybron also announced it is continuing to pay its regular quarterly stock dividend on its $4.125 cumulative senior exchangeable preferred stock. The current dividend is payable Aug. 15, 1990 in additional shares of the senior exchangeable preferred to holders of record on Aug. 1, 1990.

The company also provided the following information on the operations of the first three quarters of fiscal 1990 and the third quarter of fiscal 1990 and comparable year earlier periods.

Sybron conducts its businesses through five principal operating subsidiaries which design, manufacture and market laboratory and dental supplies worldwide. Subsidiaries include Kerr Manufacturing Company, Nalge Company, Erie Scientific Company, Barnstead Thermolyne Corporation, and Ormco Corporation.

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BOSTON (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Stephen G. Rabinovitz, general partner of Cenith Partners L.P. announced today that Cenith had delivered letters to Instron Corporation (AMEX: ISN) a Canton, Mass., producer of instruments and systems for advanced materials testing, and The First National Bank of Boston, as Rights Agent for Instron, advising Instron and The Rights Agent that Cenith believed the Instron Poison Pill had been triggered by the formation of an Instron management group to oppose any change in control.

The existence of the management group led by Instron Chairman Harold Hindman and Vice Chairman George S. Burr was reported in an Instron press release of July 31, 1990, which stated that the group owned approximately 39 percent of the outstanding stock. Cenith demanded, on behalf of all shareholders other than the group, that certificates evidencing rights to acquire an Instron Preferred Stock at an exercise price adjusted to reflect a "triggering event" under the Instron Rights Agreement dated November 2, 1988 be issued immediately to shareholders and that all further actions be taken to permit the exercise of those rights by shareholders other than said group.

Rabinovitz said, "It appears to us that the Instron management group has triggered the Poison Pill on themselves and therefore must be prepared to swallow the harsh medicine. On a pro forma basis, a complete exercise of rights by all other shareholders would have the effect of reducing the management group's percentage ownership to approximately 25 percent."

Cenith Partners is a Boston-based investment partnership.

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MARLBOROUGH, MA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Cytyc Corporation announced today that it has raised $8 million in a second round of venture capital financing to support expanded clinical trials of the company's new technology for Pap smear screening, a preventive healthcare technique widely used for early detection of cervical cancer.

Stanley N. Lapidus, president of Cytyc, said: "Our ability to raise funds in a tight financial market reflects investor assessment of Cytyc's performance to date, the market opportunity for our improved Pap smear technology, and our competitive position.

"These funds will be used to expand our clinical trials program. Trials, currently being conducted at New England Medical Center, will also be initiated at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Salem Hospital, as well as at other sites, in the near future.

"In addition, these funds will support the establishment of both domestic and overseas distribution capabilities in anticipation of product introduction in 1991," he added.

According to Lapidus, Cytyc's products are designed to improve the screening of a wide variety of cytologic (cell) samples, the first of which is the Pap smear. By significantly improving the quality of the Pap smear itself, as well as offering computer-based visual and quantitative analysis of the smear, Cytyc's products will address widespread concerns about the false negative rate of Pap smear screening, said Lapidus.

"Unlike monolayer preparations, Cytyc's ThinPrep(tm) process for preparing slides reduces the amount of non-diagnostic material without losing or destroying cells, yet it maintains critical diagnostic cell clusters," he added.

Cytyc Corporation is developing a range of products for the clincal cytology laboratory to lower test cost while improving the accuracy of cytologic diagnosis. The products are initially geared to Pap smear screening, with future applications planned in other areas of cytology, histology and pathology. The company's headquarters and research and production facilities are located in Marlborough, Mass.

CONTACT: Susan Gillis of Cytyc Corporation, 508-481-1341.

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#90225p4556 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
MELBOURNE, FLA. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Opto Mechanik, Inc. (NASDAQ: OPTO) based here, a designer and manufacturer of optical and electro-optical systems for military application, announces the receipt of two contracts, totaling $11.5 million.

In performance of these contracts, OMI will build the TOW (Tube Launched, Optically Tracked, Wire Guided) sight for the TOW Missile Ground Launcher System and the auxiliary sight for the M1 Main Battle Tank of the U.S. Army.

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#90225p4561 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
TUALATIN, ORE. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The first PC LCD projection system capable of displaying almost 5,000 different colors begins shipping today from In Focus Systems, the company said. Now companies which use personal computers to create presentation graphics will have the ability to project full spectrum photographic-quality color images with the 5000CX PC Viewer(R) projection system.

The 5000CX PC Viewer is an LCD overhead projection panel that displays full-color computer screen images directly from a PC onto a wall or screen using a standard overhead projector. As its name implies, the 5000CX offers a color palette projection spectrum of almost 5,000 colors that virtually matches the actual screen colors from a Macintosh II or VGA monitor.

Color projection technology has advanced rapidly in the last year, led by the In Focus R & D efforts. In October of 1989, In Focus Systems introduced the industry's first color LCD projection system with an eight-color palette. Six-months later, the company introduced a 64-color model, the 480CX, that offered a wider palette suitable for most business presentations. In less than one year after the original color breakthrough, the 5,000-color unit was conceived, designed, tested, and brought to market.

"We've had increasing demand from our users for a very high quality, advanced graphic presentation system," said Andy Leonard, In Focus Systems' vice president of marketing and sales, "companies that require slide-quality boardroom presentations on-line can now have a presentation system that is up to their graphic standards." In Focus Systems dealers

agree with Leonard's assessment; initial orders have exceeded the company's original estimates both domestically and abroad.

In Focus Systems offers a complete line of LCD projection products and accessories. The company was founded in October 1986 to develop, manufacture and market innovative information display products. The company shipped its first product, an LCD projection panel, in February 1987 and introduced the industry's first true color panel in October 1989. For more information on In Focus Systems' products, contact In Focus Systems at 7770 S.W. Mohawk St., Tualatin, OR 97062, or call toll-free, 800-327-7231, (503-692-4968, in Oregon).

CONTACT: Scott Niesen of In Focus Systems, 503-692-4968; or Janet Eden-Harris of KVO Inc., 503-645-1551, for In Focus Systems

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#90225p4562 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, CA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Trefoil Capital Investors L.P. and CNC Holding Corp. today jointly announced that they had extended the deadline to conclude definitive agreements relating to Trefoil's acquisition of CNC Holding's 82 percent interest in Child World Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: CWLD) from Aug. 10 to Aug. 24.

They have agreed to mutually explore, during this period, the possible resolution of outstanding issues relating to this proposed acquisition. There is no assurance that the parties will reach final agreement.

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#90225p4565 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Piedmont Mining Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: PIED) reported net income of $235,496, or $0.02 per share, in the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared with net income of $101,197, or $0.01 per share, in the second quarter of 1989. This marks the Company's third consecutive profitable quarter. Net sales increased to $2,002,047 in the second quarter, compared with $1,559,969 in the same period last year.

For the first half of 1990, the Company reported record net income of $641,670, or $.04 per share, compared with net income of $12,342 in the first half of 1989. Net sales also increased to a record $4,292,696, compared with $2,895,213 in the first half of 1989. These gains were achieved in spite of sharply lower gold prices in the second quarter. The

Company received an average of $363 per ounce of gold sold in the second quarter of 1990, compared with $403 per ounce in the first quarter of 1990 and $373 per ounce in the second quarter of 1989.

Gold production totalled 5,787 ounces in the second quarter, compared with 4,370 ounces in the second quarter of 1989. Gold production in the first half totalled a record 11,771 ounces, compared with 7,931 ounces in the first half of 1989. The Company processed and stacked 229,146 tons of mineralized rock in the first half with an average grade of 0.060 ounces of gold per ton, compared with 213,180 tons with an average grade of 0.048 ounces per ton in the same period last year.

Piedmont is engaged in exploration, mining and production of gold in the southeastern United States. Piedmont pioneered the resumption of gold mining in the Southeast in early 1985 at its Haile Gold Mine near Kershaw, South Carolina, employing for the first time the heap leaching process in the humid southeastern climate. Through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Mineral Mining Company, Inc., Piedmont is also engaged in mining and processing white, fine-grained Mineralite mica at its facility near the Haile Mine. Piedmont is also in a joint venture with Corona Corporation to explore for and develop titanium bearing heavy mineral sands in the Carolinas.

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GRASS VALLEY, CALIF. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Brush Creek Mining and Development Co. Inc. (the company) (NASDAQ: BCMD) announced today the discovery of five major ore shoots of phenomenal bonanza grades.

Assay results from an independent laboratory disclosed the following:

1st Ore Shoot -- Tests averaged an uncut 16.51 ounces of gold per ton across an average width of 4 feet. These assays range from 10.38 to 34.79 ounces of gold per ton. Previous assays averaged 14.73 ounces of gold per ton.

2nd Ore Shoot -- Tests averaged an uncut 7.27 ounces of gold per ton across an average width of 4.7 feet. These assays range from 4.7 to 11.65 ounces of gold per ton.

3rd Ore Shoot -- Tests averaged an uncut 3.6 ounces of gold per ton across an average of 5 feet. Assays range from 0.028 to 10.68 ounces of gold per ton.

4th Ore Shoot -- Assays ran 7.89 ounces of gold per ton across 5 feet, 1.35 ounces of gold per ton across 5 feet, and 7.25 ounces of gold per ton across 4.7 feet.

5th Ore Shoot -- Assays ran 21.9 ounces of gold per ton across

4 feet and 17.14 ounces of gold per ton across
5 feet.

One grab sample over 2 inches returned 44.4 ounces of gold per ton in quartz gouge.

All of the assays occurred within a strike length of 125 feet. The strike length potential of these vein systems is 4,100 feet in length and is thought to extend into additional ground currently controlled by the company.

These bonanza-grade ore shoots were tested in two levels with a distance of 400 feet vertical separation. Should the intervening ground prove similar in grade and width, the ore reserve potential would be tremendous. The Empire Mine, which is geologically similar, went to a depth of over 11,000 feet on the decline. It is very possible that these systems will do the same. The company is working to determine the magnitude of its discovery and further evaluate its findings. Results will be announced from time to time as the company deems appropriate.

Michael Pickering, president of the company, stated, "Brush Creek's management is extremely elated with the findings, since 0.33 ounces of gold per ton is considered an excellent gold mine anywhere in the world. We believe these high-grade ore zones, coupled with the consolidation of the area, will lead to tremendous benefits for Brush Creek shareholders."

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#90225p4569 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Home Depot Inc. (NYSE: HD), the nation's largest home center retailer, today reported earnings of $47,239,000 ($.39 per share) for its second quarter, the 13 weeks ended July 29.

That is a 53 percent increase over the same period of the 1989 fiscal year when the company earned $30,801,000 ($.26 per share).

Sales during the second quarter of fiscal 1990 were up 41 percent, to a record $990,346,000, compared with $704,025,000 during the second quarter of fiscal 1989. On a comparable store-for-store basis, sales were up 12 percent for the quarter and 12 percent during the first six months of fiscal 1990.

For the first six months of fiscal 1990, net earnings increased by 51 percent to $85,856,000 ($.71 per share) over net earnings of $56,729,000

($.48 per share) for the same period last year. Sales for the first six months of fiscal 1990 increased 39 percent to $1,871,202,000 from $1,345,546,000 for the same period of fiscal 1989.

All per share data have been adjusted to reflect the three-for-two stock split that was effected in June 1990.

Annualized inventory turnover remained high, at 6.3 for the first six months, compared to 6.2 for the same period last year.

The company opened four new stores during the second quarter, in Knoxville Tenn.; East Mesa, Ariz.; and two in California, in Thousand Oaks and Santa Ana. At the quarter's end, The Home Depot was operating 126 stores with an aggregate of approximately 11,255,000 square feet of selling space. That is an increase of 28 percent over the approximately 8,775,000 square feet of selling space at the 102 stores the company was operating at the close of the second quarter of fiscal 1989.

Headquartered in Atlanta, The Home Depot operates warehouse-style home center stores in 30 markets in 12 states. The stores, ranging in size from 67,000 to 140,000 square feet, stock an average of approximately 30,000 different kinds of building materials, home improvement and lawn and garden products which are sold primarily to the do-it-yourself market. The company is widely regarded as the leading retailer in the home center industry. Its stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "HD," and is included in the Standard & Poors 500 index.

CONTACT: Ronald M. Brill, senior vice president - chief financial officer, 404-431-2727 or Lonnie Fogel, 404-431-2666, both of Home Depot

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#90225p4570 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAGINAW, MICH. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - DurAlt(R) Fuel Conditioner will join Oldsmobile, Rihga Royal Hotel, Canon, and Goodyear as a sponsor for the Newman Sharp Racing SCCA TransAm team of Paul Newman, Scott Sharp, and Walter Payton, it was announced today. The new sponsorship will debut formally at the Denver Grand Prix on Aug. 25.

The agreement includes a marketing program with point of purchase displays featuring the Newman Sharp Racing team, drivers Paul Newman and Scott Sharp, and their new sponsor, DurAlt FC, for use in retail outlets throughout the United States.

"We are very proud to become part of this professional team," said Mark Nelson, president and chief executive officer of Polar Molecular Corporation.

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#90225p4572 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORT HURON, MI (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The James L. Tolley Company offices have moved from Bloomfield Hills, Mich., to 5090 Lakeshore Road, Port Huron, MI 48060. The telephone number is 313-385-3400.

On Oct. 1, the company will locate permanently to 289 Cedar Park Circle, Sarasota, FL 34242. The phone number will be 813-346-3400.

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#90225p4575 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SECAUCUS, N.J. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Brandon Systems Corporation (NASDAQ: BRDN), a leading supplier of computer and communications temporary services, today announced record quarterly results.

Ira B. Brown, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, reported that net income for the three months ended July 1, 1990, increased by 38.2 percent to $582,000 ($.21 per share) on the basis of 2,770,809 weighted shares outstanding, a new record high, as compared to $421,000 ($.15 per share) on the basis of 2,767,670 weighted shares outstanding for the three months ended June 25, 1989.

Revenues reached $9,201,000 for the three months ended July 1, 1990, also a new quarterly high, and an increase of 26.2 percent over $7,289,000 reported for the comparable three months ended June 25, 1989.

Brown attributed these record results to the company's nationwide expansion of its services. Brown also reported that the results for the third quarter of 1990 reflect increases in business throughout the company.

Working capital at July 1, 1990, was approximately $13.2 million, represented by current assets of $15.6 million and current liabilities of $2.4 million.

Brown noted, that with strong earnings, ample working capital and no long-term debt, the company is well positioned to continue with its planned expansion, as well as take advantage of other business opportunities which may arise.

Brandon Systems Corporation provides specialized temporary services in support of large computer operations through its SYSTEMP Division. The company's Brandon Consulting Group supplies professional computer

programming and training services, and the Brandon FSM Division contracts for the long-term operation of clients' outsourced systems. The company services its clients from 20 offices throughout the United States.

BRANDON SYSTEMS CORPORATION
Third Quarter Fiscal Year Ended Sept. 30, 1990

Three months ended	July 1, 1990	June 25, 1989
Revenues	$9,201,000	$7,289,000
Income before taxes	867,000	649,000
Net income	582,000	421,000
Net income per common share (A)	$.21	$.15
Weighted avg. common shares outstanding (A)	2,770,809	2,767,670
Nine months ended	**July 1, 1990**	**June 25, 1989**
Revenues	$25,549,000	$21,817,000
Income before taxes	2,516,000	2,239,000
Net income	1,706,000	1,422,000
Net income per common shares (A)	$.62	$.51
Weighted avg. common shares outstanding (A)	2,771,409	2,768,959

(A) -- Per share data has been computed on the basis of the weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding during the periods.

CONTACT: Ira B. Brown, president, or Peter Lordi, VP-finance, both of Brandon Systems, 201-392-0800

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#90225p4576 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Nova Pharmaceutical Corporation (NASDAQ: NOVX) today announced it filed on Aug. 10, 1990, with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement covering its proposed issuance of 2,500,000 shares of convertible exchangeable preferred stock.

In addition, the company has granted the underwriters an option to purchase up to an additional 375,000 shares to cover over-allotments, if any.

Net proceeds from the offering are expected to be used for expenditures relating to the continued research and development of Nova's planned therapeutic products and certain commercialization activities. The net proceeds may also be used for the acquisition of additional or complementary products, technologies or business and for general corporate purposes.

The offering will be managed by Lehman Brothers and PaineWebber Incorporated.

Nova Pharmaceutical Corporation, based in Baltimore, is engaged in the research and development of new pharmaceuticals with a primary focus on central nervous system disorders and pain and inflammation.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under securities laws of any such state.

Copies of the preliminary prospectus can be obtained from the Prospectus Department, Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc., 250 West St., New York, NY 10013 and the Prospectus Department, PaineWebber Incorporated, 1000 Harbor Boulevard, Weehawken, NJ 07087.

CONTACT: Kira Bacon of Nova Pharmaceuticals, 301-558-9465.

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#90225p4577 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAIFA, Israel (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Elron Electronic Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: ELRNF) today announced its unaudited consolidated financial results for the second fiscal quarter and the six month period ended June 30, 1990.

Consolidated revenues for the three and six month periods were $88 million and $173.7 million, respectively, as compared with $38.6 million and $75.3 million in the same periods last year. Consolidated revenues represent primarily revenues of Elbit Computers Ltd. (NASDAQ: ELBTF), the Company's 55.4 percent subsidiary. Commencing in 1990, Elbit began consolidating the financial results of Elscint Ltd. (NYSE: ELT). Elron's consolidated revenues do not include sales of affiliates whose results are only shown on an equity basis.

Aggregate revenues of all Elron subsidiaries and affiliates for the three and six month periods were approximately $130 million and $250 million, respectively, as compared with $103 million and $203 million for the same periods last year.

Net income for the quarter under review was $2.1 million, or $0.14 per share, as compared with $0.2 million, or $0.02 per share, in the parallel quarter of 1989. For the first half of 1990, net income was $3.3 million, or $0.23 per share, as compared with a net loss of $0.5 million, or a loss of $0.05 per share in the same period last year.

The contribution of the publicly traded subsidiaries and affiliates to the Company's profitability during the first six months of 1990 amounted to $6.8 million, as compared with $4.3 million in the same period last year. Elbit (55.4 percent owned) contributed $5.89 million, Optrotech Ltd. (38.1 percent owned) contributed $389 thousand, and Fibronics International Inc. (30 percent owned) contributed $530,000.

During the quarter under review, the company recorded a gain of $1.1 million from changes in holdings in related companies, which resulted primarily from a private placement of shares in Optrotech. Consequently, during the six month period, the loss from changes in holdings in related companies was reduced to $92 thousand.

Elron Electronic Industries Ltd., a diversified high technology company based in Israel, operates through subsidiaries and affiliates, each one focused in well-defined market segments. Elron also develops state-of-the-art technologies with nuclei of engineers and scientists with the purpose of creating new entrepreneurial high-tech companies.

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#90225p4581 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Chambers Development Company Inc. (AMEX: CDVB), a leading national environmental services firm, today announced that it has agreed to acquire a 256-acre parcel of land in Scott County, Miss., from Betco Inc., for which it has a permit to construct a 19-acre sanitary landfill.

Located in central Mississippi, the new site has received a permit from the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for construction of a sanitary landfill.

The acquisition is conditional upon re-issuance by the Mississippi DEQ to Chambers of the permit to operate the landfill. The transaction will be consummated when Chambers receives the necessary approvals from the DEQ for the transfer of the permit.

The Scott County facility is the only permitted facility within 12 counties and a radius of 40 miles, company officials said, adding that once constructed, the landfill will be operational in early 1991.

Chambers reported that its engineers have performed stringent geotechnical tests on the Scott County landfill and that the site is environmentally excellent.

"This landfill and the surrounding acreage is situated on more than 300

feet of bentonite clay for use as an impermeable liner to protect groundwater," said Alexander Rangos, Chambers' executive vice president. "Overall, its natural landfill features are among the best in the South."

Rangos added, "These outstanding characteristics and the proximity to the Jackson and Meridian areas make the Scott County landfill a valuable asset for environmental safety in Mississippi and to Chambers." The landfill is expected to serve a number of adjacent and nearby counties.

"Chambers has established an excellent reputation in the South for collection and hauling services," Rangos said. "We are also earning an outstanding reputation for landfill development and operation.

"We're no stranger to the South. We've been providing environmental services to citizens for years in Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and Texas. Now we welcome the opportunity to provide these services to Mississippi in an environmentally safe and economically efficient manner," Rangos said.

The 19-acre landfill footprint is located within a previously undeveloped 256-acre site. The landfill will be constructed using Chambers' state-of-the-art technology.

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#90225p4582 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHEAT RIDGE, COLO. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesa Medical Inc. (NASDAQ: MSMD) today reported an increase in net sales of just over 100 percent for the fiscal first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

In the fiscal first quarter, net sales rose 102 percent to $832,000 from $412,000 for the like quarter last year. Net income for the quarter rose to $145,000 or 3 cents per share from $16,000 or less than 1 cent per share in the like quarter last year.

Luke Schmieder, president, reported that two new prototypes of the DATATRACE(R) Micropack Tracer were shipped to customers for testing during the quarter. One version of the instrument is being tested by a major oil producer for logging down-hole temperatures during drilling operations while the second instrument, being tested by a leading pharmaceutical company, features a new flexible probe design for improved instrument reliability in wet applications. If successful, the new instruments should add to revenues by the end of the fiscal year.

Schmieder also reports that Seika Corp. of Japan has been approved as an Authorized Refurbishment Center for its DATATRACE(R) products. Seika,

which currently distributes the DATATRACE(R) line, will provide routine battery replacements for customers in Japan and Korea lowering maintenance costs and improving service turn-around for customers in this region.

Mesa Medical develops, acquires, manufactures and markets medical products used in kidney dialysis and sensor products for industrial and transportation applications.

MESA MEDICAL INC.
Financial Summary
Three Months Ended

	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net sales	$832,000	$412,000
Net income	$145,000	$16,000
Net income per share	$.03	---
Average shares	4,282,000	3,570,000

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#90225p4583 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SECAUCUS, NJ (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Vikonics Inc. (NASDAQ: VKSI), headquartered here, today reported a loss of $97,785, or $.05 per share, on net sales of $825,949 for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990. This compares with net income of $158,841, or $.07 per share, on net sales of $1,709,941, in the like year-ago quarter.

According to John L. Kaufman, Vikonics' president and chairman of the board, "Although operating results for the first quarter continued to be adversely affected by contract award delays, and the non-award of any significant new contracts, we remain optimistic about receiving significant business from the more than 20 high level security contracts that Vikonics is currently pursuing. These contracts represent more than $200 million of potential revenue to the company."

Kaufman continued, "As reported previously, Vikonics has entered into teaming agreements with Fortune 100 companies, and is aggressively pursuing multi-million dollar government and industrial and industrial security projects with Teledyne Brown Engineering, a division of Teledyne Brown Industries Inc. We are hopeful that these joint efforts will soon yield positive results."

Kaufman noted that operating costs and expenses before interest for the three months ended June 30, 1990, were $476,090, compared to $697,261 for the same period last year. This was due primarily to cost reduction procedures instituted in January 1990.

Vikonics Inc. designs, manufactures, markets, installs, and supports a line of sophisticated, computer-based security systems. The company markets its systems to defense contractors and government agencies as well as general commercial customers.

VIKONICS INC. COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

Three months ended June 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$825,949	$1,709,941
(Loss) income before extraordinary credit	(97,785)	93,141
Extraordinary credit(a)	---	65,700
Net (loss) income	($97,785)	$158,841
(Loss) earnings per share:		
Net (loss) income before extraordinary credit	($.05)	$.04
Extraordinary credit(a)	---	.03
Net (loss) income	($.05)	$.07
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	2,130,882	2,147,208

(a) - In 1989, the extraordinary credit represents income tax credits from operating loss carryforwards.

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HONOLULU (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Barnwell Industries, Inc., (AMEX: BRN), today reported net earnings of $1,100,000 ($0.75 per share) and $6,480,000 ($4.42 per share) for the three and nine months ended June 30, 1990 as compared to net earnings of $2,330,000 ($1.65 per share, $1.61 per share on a fully diluted basis) and $3,260,000 ($2.32 per share, $2.26 per share on a fully diluted basis) for the three and nine months ended June 30, 1989. The earnings for the three and nine months ended June 30, 1989 included an extraordinary gain of $300,000 ($0.21 per share).

Morton H. Kinzler, chairman and chief executive officer of Barnwell, commented "Earnings for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 exceeded fiscal 1989 earnings, which was Barnwell's best year, by $830,000 or 15 percent. Cash flow from operating and investing activities totalled just over $10,000,000 in the nine months ended June 30, 1990, a company record, and revenues set a new record at $29,360,000, a 16 percent increase over total fiscal 1989 revenues."

Earnings increased during the nine month period ended June 30, 1990 as

compared to the prior year principally due to the closing of a transaction in the first quarter by Kaupulehu Developments which calls for the development of a hotel and golf course within the 600-acre Phase I Kaupulehu Resort located at Kaupulehu, North Kona, Hawaii. Earnings also increased due to increased contract drilling work and increased interest income.

Barnwell also declared a regular cash dividend of $0.075 (seven and one-half cents) per share payable Sept. 19, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 5, 1990.

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NORWOOD, MASS. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Microcom, Inc. (NASDAQ: MNPI), today announced the availability of the QX/4232hs(tm) -- the company's first CCITT V.32 modem offering support for V.42/V.42bis. Compatible with all relevant international modem standards, the QX/4232hs transfers data at speeds to 38.4 Kbps.

"What we're offering is compliance and more," states Richard Sterry, Microcom's vice president of product marketing. "Compliance with existing standards in today's market is mandatory in order to remain competitive. We've exceeded the requirements of mere compliance by layering innovations in the Microcom Networking Protocol(tm) (MNP(R)) on top of standards like V.32 and V.42/V.42bis, offering the user the added benefits found in MNP Class 10."

First available in Microcom's international modulation products, MNP 10 features Adverse Channel Enhancements(tm), or ACE(tm). ACE is specifically designed to overcome connection and transmission problems caused by poor-quality lines such as those encountered with rural, cellular, satellite and international links. Notes Sterry, "MNP Class 10 anticipates bad line conditions so you can successfully make and maintain a connection the first time where other modems fail."

As the de facto standard for error control and data compression, and an integral component of the CCITT V.42 standard, MNP is engineered to work with existing standards to provide the highest performance possible. Using modulation standards as a foundation, Microcom has constructed various building blocks that not only comply to standards, but offer additional enhancements like MNP 10. Future benefits of these MNP Extended Services might include remote management capabilities on modems located in the field. A feature-rich modem, the QX/4232hs provides for two

methods of data compression-MNP 5 and V.42bis. The net result is a 400 percent increase in transferring data, with a significant cost-savings. The QX/4232hs also includes features specifically enhancing performance for users of UUCP and Kermit products in UNIX and other connectivity environments.

Auto-Logon, Microcom Password Connection Security(tm) and Microcom Remote Access(tm) round out the feature set. Auto-Logon enhances productivity by fully automating logon procedures and eliminatinng the need to manually type in a logon sequence. The security capability prevents unauthorized access through transparent password comparison. Microcom Remote Access, another password-protected function, enables users to conveniently reconfigure and troubleshoot a modem at a remote location.

Priced at $1,099, the QX/4232hs is available 30 days ARO. For additional product purchase information, please call 800-822-8224.

Microcom is a workstation connectivity company headquartered in Norwood, Mass.; with offices in Danbury, Conn.; Wilmington, Del.; Durham, N.C.; Caguas, Puerto Rico; and international offices in France, Hong Kong, and the U.K. Principal product lines include Protocol Modems(tm); LAN bridging products; Carbon Copy(tm), RELAY Gold(R), and VIREX(R) communications software packages, and ISDN products.

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LANGHORNE, PA. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ecogen Inc. (NASDAQ: EECN) today announced that an $8.5 million investment in the company by New York City investor David Blech has closed.

Definitive agreements were signed on August 2 and proceeds of $7.6 million have been received by Ecogen. The balance of $900,000 is anticipated next month when the company's shareholders are expected to approve the issuance of the 450,000 shares of common stock needed to complete the transaction.

In a related transaction, ML Technology Ventures, L.P. (MLTV), a Merrill Lynch research and development partnership, has purchased 400,000 newly issued shares of Ecogen common stock for $1 million ($2.50 per share).

The MLTV investment was triggered by a May 10, 1990 amendment to Ecogen's 1987 research and development funding agreement with MLTV. (Ecogen stock closed at 2-1/8 bid -- 2-3/8 asked on May 10.)

Also under the terms of the May 10 amendment, Ecogen issued 50,000 shares of common stock to MLTV to purchase the biofungicide technology developed by Ecogen under the R&D funding agreement with MLTV.

Ecogen Chairman and CEO John E. Davies said, "The investment by Blech provides Ecogen with the resources to continue operating as an independent company and to aggressively promote the company's three new biopesticides."

Davies also said, "Mr. Blech's reputation as a knowledgeable biotechnology investor will be of considerable value as Ecogen seeks additional sources of funding for its biopesticide development programs."

In March of this year, Blech invested $1.5 million in Ecogen. This and his recent $8.5 million investment increased his share of the company's common stock to approximately 40 percent.

Ecogen Inc. is an agricultural biotechnology company, specializing in biological pest control. Ecogen's products include Cutlass(TM) vegetable bioinsecticide, Foil(TM) potato bioinsecticide, Condor(TM) forestry and soybean bioinsecticide, Dagger(TM) G cotton biofungicide and Collego(TM) rice bioherbicide. The company is also developing products for cotton, corn, and home and garden use.

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KALAMAZOO, MI (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Harry E. Carmitchel, president of Stryker Corporation's (NASDAQ-NMS: STRY) medical division, today announced the appointment of Kenneth Palmer as executive vice president. Palmer will be responsible for all product development and operations for the division.

He was most recently president of Paragon Products and prior to that he was vice president of manufacturing for Everest & Jennings. Palmer received his MBA from Brigham Young University.

Stryker Corporation develops, manufactures and markets specialty surgical and medical products including orthopaedic implants, powered surgical instruments, arthroscopy systems and patient handling equipment for the world market.

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#90225p4592 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MI (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ronald A. Elenbaas, vice president of Stryker Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: STRY) and president of the surgical division, today announced the appointment of Eugene "Chip" Jennings as vice president/general manager of Stryker Endoscopy. Jennings will be responsible for the division's endoscopy operation based in San Jose, Calif. He was most recently president and CEO of Cardiovascular Imaging Systems, Inc., a Sunnyvale, Calif., high technology manufacturer of imaging systems for cardiology. Prior to this, he spent nine years with Baxter/American Hospital Supply with his last position as vice president, marketing business planning and development. Jennings is a Michigan native and a graduate of Michigan State University.

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#90225p4594 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANGHORNE, PA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ecogen Inc. (NASDAQ: EECN) today announced that David Blech, a New York City investor, has been elected to the board of directors of the company.

Since March of this year, Blech has invested $10 million in Ecogen and controls approximately 40 percent of the company's common stock.

Earlier this month, Ecogen directors Charles E. Austin, Harold V. Smith, a founder of Ecogen, and James K. Leslie, who was also president and chief operating officer, resigned.

Ecogen Inc. is an agricultural biotechnology company, specializing in biological pest control. Ecogen's products include Cutlass vegetable bioinsecticide, Foil potato bioinsecticide, Condor forestry and soybean

bioinsecticide, Dagger G cotton biofungicide and Collego rice bioherbicide. The company is also developing products for cotton, corn, and home and garden use.

NOTE: Cutlass, Foil, Condor, Dagger and Collego are all registered trademarks of Ecogen Inc.

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#90225p4598 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Sexual fantasies by married men are normal, common and even necessary, according to a noted sex therapist.

Psychiatrist Helen Singer Kaplan, M.D., Ph.D., states in the current (September) issue of Redbook, "I believe any fantasy is good. A good marriage needs a healthy amount of mental stimulation, which fantasies can provide."

The "classic male fantasy," according to experts interviewed by the magazine, is the man making love with two women. Psychologist Herb Goldberg, Ph.D., of California State University, attributes its sexual power to the fact that, "there is no emotional involvement. The man is there to please and be pleased, period."

Another archetypical sexual fantasy is the "omniavailable woman." She's a beautiful woman eager to please a man sexually in any way she can, anywhere he'd like. Why do men need her? "For a man," states Dr. Goldberg, "having sex amounts to having his ego stroked. Add to that the image of a beautiful woman, a woman who makes every other man who sees her envious, and the fantasizer then feels, 'I'm irresistible. This gorgeous woman wants me.'"

Fantasizing about the omniavailable woman is more than just a mindless ego-booster. Psychiatrist Wayne Myers, M.D., of Cornell University Medical College, says it can be therapeutic. "These fantasies can work to undo all the slights he ever experienced and ultimately make him feel better about himself," says Dr. Myers.

Many men also fantasize about light S&M acts, such as blindfolding, bondage, spanking or gentle whipping. Contrary to traditional wisdom, the turn-on for men is when they are placed in the submissive position. "Many men like to be dominated," states Dr. Myers in Redbook, "more than you might expect."

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#90225p4603 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROMULUS, MI (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Secom General Corporation (NASDAQ: SECM) today announced that at its special meeting of stockholders held Aug. 10, a resolution was approved to reverse split the company's common stock by issuing three new shares for 100 old shares (3-for-100).

The reverse split will take effect on Tuesday, Sept. 4, 1990, with respect to its open market trading on the NASDAQ system.

The company will have approximately 1.1 million shares outstanding after the reverse split, with an approximate $2.40 book value per share.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported earnings of $429,436, or $0.39 per share (post-split) on sales of $6.4 million, compared to earnings of $288,628, or $0.26 per share (post-split) on sales of $5.8 million.

"We believe that, with our stock no longer trading as a 'penny stock', investors can focus more on the growth, earnings and potential of the company," said Roy McKnight, president and CEO.

Secom General, headquartered in Romulus and incorporated in the State of Delaware, has approximately 2,000 shareholders.

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#90225p4605 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
JACKSON, MI (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company's support of Michigan's emerging waste-to-energy industry can be seen in its recent signing of power purchase contracts for such facilities in Genesee, Clinton, and Shiawassee counties.

Upon commercial operation of the facilities, the utility will purchase a total of 37.5 megawatts of electric power from the three projects to help meet increasing customer demand. Waste-to-energy facilities convert either solid waste, or landfill gas, into electricity through onsite power generation equipment.

One waste-to-energy developer signing a contract with the utility is Pollard Generating Station, Inc., located in Montrose in northwestern Genesee County. Its solid waste facility, capable of producing 35 megawatts of electric capacity, is scheduled to begin operation by mid-decade.

Two other power sale contracts were signed by Granger Renewable Resources, Inc. of Lansing. These contracts enable Granger to sell the utility 1.5 megawatts of capacity from its Landfill Number One facility, located in DeWitt Township, Clinton County, and one megawatt from its plant in Venice Township, Shiawassee County. Commercial operation of the Landfill Number One facility is projected to begin in 1993, and the Venice Township plant is scheduled for 1992.

"Purchasing electricity from these facilities has a double benefit for Michigan," said Paul A. Elbert, the utility's vice president of marketing, rates and wholesale power transactions. "It will help Consumers Power meet the demand for electricity and help address the critical landfill space shortage problem," Elbert said.

Previously, the utility announced a power purchase contract for two megawatts from Granger Renewable Resources Landfill Gas Number Two, located in Watertown Township, Clinton County. Other waste-to-energy facilities the utility has contracts with include incinerators in Kent and Jackson counties, and Elsie-based Green Meadows Farms, Inc.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost six million of the state's nine million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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MANHATTAN BEACH, CA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Fairchild Controls, a division of Fairchild Space & Defense Corporation, announced it has been awarded a multi-million dollar subcontract by Rockwell International's Space System Division for the Orbital Maneuvering System (OMS) regulators for the space shuttle program.

The four OMS regulators on each orbiter control and maintain constant pressure to feed bi-propellants into the thrusters, supporting more extensive maneuvering of the shuttle, such as changes in orbit. In addition to the OMS regulators, Fairchild will continue to provide the Reaction Control System (RCS) regulators. Those perform a similar function in the RCS, allowing more delicate attitude changes of the orbiter, such as those required to retrieve the Long Duration Exposure Facility (LDEF) spacecraft.

The OMS pressure regulator is a high-precision, mechanical, series-redundant regulator, with both a primary and secondary back-up regulator built into one housing. Fairchild regulators feature a precision pilot

assembly including large-sensing bellows and a patented reference spring assembly that produces the required pre-load with a low spring rate for high accuracy, as well as a high natural frequency for insensitivity to shock and vibration.

Fairchild is a major component supplier to the space shuttle program, providing more than 300 items for each orbiter, including service couplings for OMS and RCS, valves and disconnects for the main propulsion system, and the complete Ammonia Boiler Subsystem for cooling during re-entry of the orbiter. The company also provides similar systems for the Delta, Atlas and Titan expendable launch vehicles.

Fairchild Controls, located in Manhattan Beach, specializes in the design, development, manufacturing, and testing of valves, quick disconnects, regulators and subsystems for aerospace applications, and is on the leading edge of providing innovative solutions to the requirements of fluid control in space and aerospace systems.

Fairchild Space & Defense Corporation, a member of the Matra Group, is a U.S. space and defense electronics company with operations in Germantown, Md., and Manhattan Beach. The company, with a workforce of 2,000, has annual revenues of approximately $230 million. Matra, headquartered in Paris, is an internationally diversified company with annual revenues in excess of $3 billion. Matra's lines of business include aerospace, telecommunications and transportation.

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ATLANTA, GA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - College students going to school this fall can arrive on campus with one less line to wait in, one less application to fill out. Applications for First Union National Bank of Georgia's new Collegiate Banking Express can be pre-approved before school starts.

First Union is introducing the new checking and credit card program this summer for college students throughout Georgia. Students who mail in applications or complete them at their hometown branches can arrive on campus with their First Union accounts open, ready for service.

Or, they can apply for Collegiate Banking at the branch nearest campus after arriving at school. Applications are available at any First Union branch in Georgia.

"Our research shows that students want economical checking, convenient

access to 24-Hour Banking machines and credit cards," said Charles D. Walker, executive vice president of corporate administration. "First Union has designed this account to meet college students' special banking needs." Features of Collegiate Banking include:

- Unlimited free use of First Union's 24-Hour Banking machines.
- Choice of No-Minimum Checking (ten free checks per month, $3 monthly service charge and no minimum balance required) or Organized Banking (unlimited check writing and no service charge if minimum balances are maintained).
- Free first order of checks for accounts opened by August 30, 1990.
- VISA credit card with no annual fee for the first year and an $800 credit limit for qualified applicants.
- $800 in overdraft protection through the bank's Instant Cash Reserve program for qualified applicants.
- Fast Money - Optional, free automatic transfers from parent's First Union account, as authorized by parent.
- Free $1,000 accidental death insurance.

"We were very pleased with the response Collegiate Banking received in a pilot program last year and are excited to introduce it to students throughout Georgia," Walker said.

"This is a great way for students not only to simplify their banking needs, but also to start building their credit histories and establish strong banking relationships."

At the same time First Union is introducing Collegiate Banking, the bank is also making available a video, "How To Pay For College." The video discusses financial aid, scholarships, government loans, and investment strategies. The video and guidebook sell for $32.95, but First Union customers may order it for a special price of $19.95. Interested customers may call 1-800-765-FUNB.

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DEERFIELD BEACH, FLA. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Devcon International Corp. (NASDAQ: DEVC) today reported that an increase in second-quarter profits brought net earnings for the first half practically even with the results for the first six months last year. Devcon Chairman and President Donald L. Smith Jr., said, "Notwithstanding the soft construction market in the United States, we realized increased earnings for the quarter."

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, net income increased three percent to $3,253,000 from $3,162,000 a year ago. Earnings per share were 72 cents on a higher number of weighted average shares outstanding compared with 76 cents last year. Revenues were $23.8 million vs. $20.1 million. Smith said, "Increased profit contributions from our island operations, primarily from our new operations in St. Maarten, the Netherlands Antilles, and from the U.S. Virgin Islands, essentially offset the decline in Florida construction activity."

For the six months, net income amounted to $6,056,000 compared with $6,121,000 earned a year ago. Earnings per share of $1.35, vs. $1.47 last year, also reflect the higher number of shares. Revenues totaled $41.1 million, up from $40.3 million.

Smith said he remains optimistic about the second half of the year and he anticipates a continuing increase in the construction materials business in both the U.S. Virgin Islands and St. Maarten. He added, "While we are winding down several large construction contracts in our Florida operations, we are encouraged in our negotiations for two large contracts in Florida."

He noted that third-quarter earnings will benefit by approximately 20 cents per share after taxes from a real-estate sale completed in July. "This $4.1 million cash transaction also bolstered our balance sheet significantly."

Devcon operates ready-mix concrete and aggregate plants and performs harbor-dredging and other heavy construction work on St. Thomas and St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands, on the independent island of Antigua and on St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles. In South Florida, where the company is headquartered, Devcon is in the heavy construction business, mainly preparing sites for shopping malls, residential developments, country clubs and industrial parks.

DEVCON INTERNATIONAL CORP.
CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY OF EARNINGS (UNAUDITED)
(In thousands except per-share amounts)

	Quarter Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$23,821	$20,077	$41,067	$40,347
Earnings before income taxes	3,305	3,465	6,177	6,701
Income taxes	52	303	121	579
Net earnings	$ 3,253	$ 3,162	$ 6,056	$ 6,122
Net earnings per common share	$.72	$.76	$1.35	$1.47
Weighted average common				

shares outstanding	4,489	4,164	4,489	4,164

Subject to year-end audit.

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SYOSSET, NY (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Viatech, Inc. (AMEX: VTK) chairman and chief executive officer, Donald J. Bainton, today announced record results for the second quarter and first six months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the second quarter of 1990 increased more than three- fold to $64,354,000, compared with $21,274,000 in the second quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, increased significantly over the previous year's quarter, reaching $1,403,000, or $.81 per share, versus $366,000, or $.29 per share.

For the first six months of 1990, revenues were $120,474,000, nearly three times greater than revenues of $44,577,000 reported in the first six months of 1989. Net income for the 1990 six-month period was a record $1,861,000, or $1.09 per share, compared with $618,000, or $.50 per share.

"We are extremely pleased with the performance of Viatech and the record results reported today. Our strong revenues and earnings are a direct result of the successful integration of Ferembal, the second largest food can manufacturer in France and fifth largest in Europe, which we acquired in the fourth quarter of 1989. In addition, our other operating subsidiaries -- LKB, Dixie Union and Onena -- contributed nicely to our record earnings. Viatech also benefited from foreign currency translation rate differences and increased interest income in the U.S.," said Bainton.

Bainton noted that the earnings per share for the second quarter of 1990 increased 179 percent even with the dilution resulting from the sale of 460,000 shares of common stock in January 1990. According to Bainton, weighted average shares outstanding in the second quarter and first six months of 1,754,000 and 1,715,000, respectively, is approximately 40 percent higher than the same prior year periods.

Bainton continued, "Our strategy and vision remains the same -- to aggressively pursue acquisitions in the plastic and metal packaging industries around the world which will have an immediate positive impact on our bottom line. Thus far, both Dixie Union and Onena remain on course with our expectations, while Ferembal's 1990 results are running strongly ahead of our projections. We expect our 1990 financial performance to be significantly ahead of last year."

Viatech, Inc., through its subsidiaries, manufactures cans, films and equipment for the packaging industry, and prints and laminates packaging for the food and snack food industries. The company's subsidiary, Lockwood, Kessler & Bartlett, Inc., provides engineering services principally in the fields of mapping and survey, transportation, structures, site and landscape development, recreation and environmental studies, and mechanical and electrical engineering.

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ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Yukon Energy Corporation (NASDAQ: YUKN) today announced record second-quarter sales and earnings for the period ended June 30, 1990.

Sales rose 52 percent to $532,000 compared to $349,000 for the second quarter of 1989. The net loss was reduced to $71,000, compared to $106,000 for the second quarter of 1989. Loss per share was the same for two quarters at 2 cents a share.

"Our newer, more energy-efficient furnaces are being well received in the marketplace, which is reflected in our increased sales volume," said Dave Tjosvold, president of Yukon. "The first half of the year is usually slower for us, but we have seen several truck load orders coming in sooner than anticipated as our expanding distribution network is becoming increasingly excited about our energy-efficient furnaces. In addition, the current oil pricing questions that plague the world, provide a unique opportunity for Yukon furnace efficiencies to be promoted. During the last oil embargo, we experienced a significant increase in business. If this crisis continues, Yukon is in a strong position to provide extremely efficient furnaces in a variety of styles which benefit users by dramatically reducing their heating bills."

Yukon Energy Corporation develops, manufactures, and markets a variety of energy-efficient residential and light commercial furnaces. These furnaces employ advanced heating technology and proprietary features to achieve total home comfort with substantial fuel savings. The company's product lines consist of several new, patented, high technology gas and oil-fired furnaces, as well as a line of multi-fuel furnaces which burn wood or coal in combination with oil, gas or electric fuel. Products are sold to heating equipment wholesalers and private label manufactured for large marketing partners.

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CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Marine Holding Company (NASDAQ-NMS: MDCO) today reported financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990. The net loss for the quarter was $5.9 million on revenues of $21.3 million. The loss applicable to common stockholders was $7.6 million ($0.52 per share). Year-to-date (six months) results through June 30, 1990 include a loss of $11.6 million from revenues of $35.5 million with the loss applicable to stockholders amounting to $14.8 million ($1.15 per share). These results include the results of operations of the Keyes Offshore group since March 1, 1990. Comparable period results for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1989, respectively, included losses of $7.6 million and $15.5 million from revenues of $7.6 million and $15.6 million with losses applicable to common stockholders of $9.2 million ($1.29 per share) and $18.8 million ($2.62 per share).

Dan O. Dennis, president and chief executive officer, commented, "The second quarter results reflected an improvement over earlier periods due to the acquisition of the Keyes Offshore group, higher average dayrates and higher utilization of the company's fleet."

Marine Holding Company operates 23 jackup drilling rigs in the Gulf of Mexico.

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ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Geonex Corporation (NASDAQ: GEOX) announced today that it has been selected by the Instituto Nacional De Colonizacao E Reforma Agraria (INGRA), an agency of the Federative Republic of Brazil, to provide mapping and surveying services in connection with the National Land Administration Program and Northeast Region Land Tenure Improvement Project. This program allows the government to effectively control land utilization. For the first time, farmers in northeast Brazil will have legal title to their respective properties thereby providing them entrance into the Brazilian economy. The contract, valued at $8,400,000 is funded the The World Bank and will take approximatley 14 months to complete.

The project requires the use of sophisticated Global Positioning Systems (GPS), Inertial Survey Systems (ISS) and digital photogrammetry. Geonex, the world leader in all three of these applications has been selected based on their experience and capabilities. Approximately 5,500 Orthophoto maps will be generated using analytical block aero-triangulation. In addition, planimetric and contour details will be

derived from aerial photography. Highly complexed digital terrain models will be used to insure the required accuracy for the contours.

Geonex Corporation, based in St. Petersburg, Fla., is the nation's largest geo-information company. Using the most advanced technology, Geonex provides mapping and resouces interpretation services to telephone, electric and gas utilities, local, state, and federal government agencies and a variety of commercial industries. Geonex now has overall competence in mapping for agriculture and of forestry as well as oil, gas and mineral exploration. In the environmental and hazardous waste area, Geonex provides the following services through two units: analysis and testing services; and environmental hazardous waste site investigation and data base management services.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Research, Inc. (NYSE: CYR) announced today that Exxon Corporation (NYSE: XON) has ordered a CRAY Y-MP8 computer system, to be installed in the fourth quarter of 1990.

The new system, which will be purchased, is valued at approximately $15 million; it will replace Exxon's two existing supercomputers, a CRAY X-MP/14 and a CRAY-1S. The Cray Y-MP8 computer system will use the Cray Research operating system, UNICOS, based on AT&T's UNIX System V, an industry standard.

Exxon intends to install the Cray Research Y-MP8 supercomputer at its technical computing center in Houston, which provides technical computing services for all Exxon Upstream organizations throughout the world. Exxon's principal applications for the CRAY Y-MP8 system include reservoir modeling, seismic processing, and finite element analysis.

"This order is very important for both organizations because it is the first CRAY Y-MP8 supercomputer to be used in the petroleum industry," said John A. Rollwagen, chairman and chief executive officer of Cray Research. "This investment shows Exxon's commitment to maximize its scientific and in-ground resources. Exxon has been a Cray Research customer since 1981. We look forward to working together for many years to come."

Cray Research, Inc. designs, manufactures, markets, and supports large-scale, high-speed computers for scientific and engineering applications.

CONTACT: Kate S. Neessen, 612-683-7132, or Laura C. Merriam, 612-334-6448, both of Cray Research

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#90225p4625 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today announced the following real estate mortgage investment conduit (REMIC) pricing:

Date of Pricing: August 2, 1990 Trust Number: 1990-104
Amount: $1.250 Billion
Dealer: Kidder, Peabody & Co. Incorporated
REMIC backed by: 10.0 percent Fannie Mae MBS (backed by 30-year Fixed-rate Mortgages)
Settlement date: September 28, 1990

Class	Type	Dollar Amount	Coupon	
A	Fixed-rate	$489,950,000	9.00	percent
B	Fixed-rate	$162,975,000	9.00	percent
C	Fixed-rate	$165,744,550	9.00	percent
D	Fixed-rate	$ 22,423,800	9.00	percent
E	Fixed-rate	$ 35,368,200	9.00	percent
G	Fixed-rate	$ 26,867,400	9.00	percent
F	Floating-rate	$ 28,978,950	8.80	percent
S	Floating-rate	$ 28,978,950	9.20	percent
H	Interest only	$ 1,025,000	1009.00	percent
Z	Accrual	$ 40,173,000	9.00	percent
R	Residual	$ 22,515,150	9.00	percent

The interest rates for Classes F and S are based on one-month LIBOR, reset monthly.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally charterd, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

CONTACT: Bonnie O'Dell of Fannie Mae, 202-752-6527

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#90225p4627 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOUISVILLE, KY (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Capital Holding Corporation (NYSE: CPH) has entered into a five-year $450,000,000 ($U.S.) syndicated credit facility arranged by Credit Suisse First Boston Limited with 17 international banks. The new facility will become effective on August 21, 1990.

"As Capital Holding continues to grow, our banking and credit needs will become more diversified," said Barbara J. Laski, Capital Holding treasurer. "This facility is intended for backup liquidity reasons only and is yet another option for additional financial flexibility."

The following banks are participating in this transaction: Credit Suisse; Australia and New Zealand Bank, Bayerische Vereinsbank AG, Credit Lyonnais Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank, Mitsui Taiyo Kobe Bank, Royal Bank of Canada, Sanwa Bank; Algemene Bank Nederland, Bank of China, Banque Nationale de Paris, BHF-Bank, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Deutsche Bank, Sumitomo Bank Swiss Bank Corporation and Westpac Banking.

"Capital Holding's relationships with these banks offer good diversification for us because each has a particular strength and they augment our existing relationships with domestic banks," Laski added. "Just as the international marketplace holds great potential for the products and services of U.S. companies, capital markets have also become more global."

Capital Holding Corporation is one of the nation's five largest shareholder-owned life insurance organizations, with $15.4 billion in assets and $45.5 billion of life insurance coverage in force.

The corporation offers a broad range of financial services and products through agents, direct-marketing media, investment professionals and retail locations. Its common stock is listed on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the ticker symbol CPH; its preferred stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CPHF.

CONTACT: Steve Wilson, 502-560-2723, or Bonnie Otto, 502-560-3019, both of Capital Holding Corporation

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#90225p4628 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The dispute between Topps and the NFL is over.

In a joint announcement today, The Topps Company (NASDAQ: TOPPC) and National Football League Properties, Inc. stated that there has been an amicable settlement of the litigation that Topps had brought against them and the National Football League on June 28.

Under terms of the settlement, a three-year license agreement has been signed which calls for Topps to continue to market its football player cards as an official licensee of National Football League Properties, and all of the cards sold this year will be under that license. Topps football player cards will be on sale this month.

CONTACT: Kenneth M. Liss of Liss Public Relations, (617) 783-3265, for Topps.

-30- 934
#90225p4632 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
TROY, MI (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Kelly Assisted Living, a subsidiary of Kelly Services (NASDAQ: KELYA, KELYB), is proud to join other national organizations in recognition of Home Health Aide Week, Aug. 13-19.

The U.S. Senate recently passed Resolution 343, introduced by New Mexico Sen. Pete Domenici, which recognizes the week of Aug. 13 as Home Health Aide Week.

"We're proud of our temporary employees who provide service to our clients as home health aides," said Robert G. Barranco, vice president and chief operating officer, Kelly Assisted Living. "Home health aides are often an integral part of many of our clients' daily routine, providing the assistance necessary for our clients to maintain their independence at home."

Home health aides provide such services as bathing, dressing, personal assistance, and friendly companionship and care.

Through 100 offices in 30 states, Kelly Assisted Living provides in-home personal care to seniors and others who need long-term assistance.

CONTACT: Jane Riesterer of Kelly Services, 313-244-4305.

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#90225p4634 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Larry Korn has been promoted to the newly created position of National Account Manager/Laboratory Services for Enviropact (AMEX: ENV), the company announced today. In this capacity, Korn will report directly to Jim Marshall, Enviropact's vice president of sales and marketing. Korn's responsibilities will entail enhancing laboratory revenues by developing new clients, geographic areas and service areas. In addition, Larry Korn will be actively involved in the pricing and reporting of analytical services across divisions.

Korn, 35, has been with Enviropact since 1983, when he served as supervisor and senior analyst for Enviropact's Miami laboratory. He became the company's national laboratory director in 1987. In 1988, Korn was named general manger of Enviropact's Miami division. In his new position, Korn expects to increase market penetration of Enviropact's analytical services while furthering reporting and pricing procedures.

Throughout his career at Enviropact, Korn has been an essential part of the laboratory network. He has been instrumental in establishing and maintaining a state-of-the-art quality control department for the

company's laboratories, which have more than tripled in size in the last five years.

Enviropact offers a variety of environmental services, including environmental consulting and audits, groundwater and soil remediation and analytical laboratory services. The company has offices in Miami, West Palm Beach, Orlando, Tampa and Jacksonville, Fla.; Yonkers, N.Y.; Corpus Christi, Texas; and Greenville, S.C.

CONTACT: Edward C. King, Jr. of Enviropact, 305-362-8522 or John De Nigris of John De Nigris Associates, 212-532-5159 for Enviropact

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#90225p4635 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Maxus Energy Corporation (NYSE: MXS) has signed a production sharing agreement in Ethiopia covering in excess of 27 million acres or an area about the size of Tennessee.

The agreement calls for a minimum commitment of $3.5 million, primarily to be spent on geological and geophysical analysis. Maxus holds 100 percent interest in this area.

Internationally, Maxus also has contracts in Australia, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Indonesia, Spain, Tunisia and the United Kingdom.

Maxus Energy is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company based in Dallas.

CONTACT: Ginger Shearburn (media), 214-953-2822 or Jeff Sahlberg (analysts), 214-953-2819, both Maxus Energy

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#90225p4636 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - American Barrick Resources Corporation (NYSE: ABX) today announced a public offering of five million common shares on a "bought deal" basis at C$24.50 per share for gross proceeds of C$122.5 million. Gordon Capital Corporation, First Marathon Securities Limited, Burns Fry Limited, Goldman Sachs Canada, Trilon Securities Corporation and Bunting Warburg Inc., are the underwriting group. The shares will be offered for sale in Canada and in Europe.

The proceeds from the issue will be used by the company for development work on existing properties, potential acquisitions and the repayment of long-term debt.

American Barrick intends to file a preliminary prospectus relating to the

offering in all provinces of Canada shortly.

American Barrick Resources Corporation's shares are traded on the Toronto, Montreal and New York stock exchanges (ABX), the Paris Bourse, and the Swiss stock exchanges (ABR).

CONTACT: Belle Mulligan of American Barrick, 416-923-9400

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#90225p4637 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Systems & Computer Technology Corp. (SCT) (NASDAQ: SCTC) and Sun Microsystems Inc. (NASDAQ: SUNW), today announced an advanced software/hardware solution for administrative computing at colleges and universities, combining SCT's BANNER(TM) Series software and Sun's SPARCserver(TM) products.

The BANNER product line includes five integrated applications: student, finance, human resources, alumni/development and financial aid (in development). BANNER will be available on Sun's SPARCserver computer systems, which are based on RISC (Reduced Instruction Set Computer) microprocessor technology. SPARC (R) (Scalable Processor ARChitecture) is an emerging standard for RISC that Sun combines with the UNIX (R) operating system.

"We are pleased to be working with Sun in the higher education marketplace " said Michael D. Chamberlain, SCT vice president. "Sun's advanced technology and open systems architecture reinforce SCT's commitment to provide the best functional and technical solutions for colleges and universities."

"Our agreement with SCT marks Sun's entry into the administrative computing market in higher education," said Van Jepson, director of education marketing at Sun. "It complements our strong presence in academic computing, where we have systems installed at more than 1,000 institutions worldwide."

BANNER incorporates the ORACLE (R) relational database management system, SQL, rule-based architecture and other advanced features to provide executives and end-users with flexible, powerful administrative information systems. SCT has licensed more than 200 BANNER systems.

SCT is a leading provider of applications software and computing management services for education institutions and government jurisdictions nationwide. The company is headquartered in Malvern.

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, Calif., is a leading supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including

workstations, servers, networking hardware and software, and the UNIX operating system.

NOTE: BANNER is a trademark of Systems & Computer Technology Corp. SPARC is a registered trademark of SPARC International. SPARCserver is a trademark of Sun Microsystems, Inc. ORACLE is a registered trademark of Oracle Corp. UNIX is a registered trademark of AT&T.

CONTACT: Eric Haskell, vp-finance and administration of SCT, 215-640-5175

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#90225p4639 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ambassador Financial Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: AFGI) reported a net loss of $4,384,136 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, or $1.76 per share, compared to a net loss of $4,030,743, or $1.65 per share, for the same period of the prior year.

The company reported an accumulated deficit of $7,532,519 at June 30, 1990. The regulatory capital of the company's subsidiary, Ambassador Savings and Loan Association, at June 30, 1990 was a deficit of $6,473,201. As a result, the Association did not meet its leveraged, tangible or risk-based capital requirements at that date, with deficiencies of $12,437,590, $9,455,395 and $16,768,606, respectively.

The results for the second quarter of 1990 reflect a $4,000,000 provision for discontinued operations of the Association's home building operations. These operations were discontinued effective Dec. 31, 1989, however, the Association has been unable to divest its real estate holdings as promptly as had originally been envisioned, due to a continued deterioration of the Florida real estate markets and regulatory restrictions which limit the Association's ability to finance its divestitures of real estate. The $4,000,000 provision is anticipated to cover the Association's activities over the next year in liquidating its real estate holdings in home building operations.

CONTACT: Susan L. Grant, chief financial officer of Ambassador Financial Group, Inc., 305-726-0050

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#90225p4642 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRANCHBURG, N.J. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: METC), a leading environmental treatment and services company, announced today that it has filed a Registration Statement relating the registration of 206,897 shares of its Class A Common Stock. The registration is being made on behalf of the former shareholders of Petrolgroup, Inc. pursuant to a registration rights agreement entered into

on June 27, 1990 at the time of the acquisition of Petrolgroup by the company.

The registration statement, after it becomes effective with the Securities and Exchange Commission, will enable to former shareholders of Petrolgroup now employees of Metcalf & Eddy, to sell the shares they obtained in the acquisition. However, the decision as to when and how many shares, if any, may be sold is exclusively the personal decision of each of the former Petrolgroup shareholders. If any shares are sold by them, the company will not receive any of the proceeds. Management believes the registration of these shares will be non-dilutive to earnings because the additional income resulting from the acquisition of Petrolgroup will more than offset the impact of the shares covered by this registration.

Metcalf & Eddy is an 82-percent-owned subsidiary of Air & Water Technologies Corporation (AMEX: AWT). Metcalf & Eddy provides a comprehensive range of services and technologies directed principally at protecting the integrity of our nation's water resources. Petrolgroup, Inc. is a petroleum assessment, testing and remediation company located in Florida. Air & Water Technologies Corporation, through its operating units, Research-Cottrell, Inc., Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc., and Residuals Management Group, provides a broad range of environmental services in the areas of air pollution control, water resource management, and waste by-product disposal and reuse.

---- A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities & Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

CONTACT: Lucinda Edmonds of Metcalf & Eddy Companies, Inc., 617-246-5200

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#90225p4643 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRENTWOOD, N.Y. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Allou Distributors, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Allou Health & Beauty Care, Inc. (AMEX: ALU), was awarded $610,000, which award will be reduced by legal fees and other expenses, in its suit against Computer Associates International (NYSE: CA). Allou's claim that it incurred damages as a result of Computer Associates' failure to provide a functional software package was upheld by the American Arbitration Association.

For the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990 the company had revenues of $71,341,928 up from $59,193,832 the previous year. Net income was $860,964, or $.40 per share, against $809,171 or $.37 per share in the prior year.

Allou, one of the largest distributors of branded nationally advertised health and beauty aids, prestige fragrances and cosmetics in the Northeast currently utilizes a highly sophisticated, proprietary data base system which collects, integrates and analyzes data on sales, order processing, shipping, purchases and financial reporting.

At any given time, management can use the system to determine the quantity of each item in inventory by brand, cost, list price and other characteristics, according to the company.

CONTACT: David Shamilzadeh chief financial officer of Allou Health & Beauty Care, 516-273-4000

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#90225p4647 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHULA VISTA, CA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Bob Williams, vice president and manager of First International Bank's Money Order Division announces that on Saturday, June 30, 1990, the department's one millionth money order was sold by Alan Arabo, partner, Wrigley's Supermarket of National City, Calif., to customer Glynda Baker.

To honor the occasion, Baker was presented with a dozen red roses from Wrigley's Supermarket and a $50 money order from First International Bank.

The bank's Money Order Division, in operation since March 1989, sells money orders from approximately 100 sites throughout the state of California, and it boasts a 100 percent state of the art automated system.

CONTACT: Beverly Miller of Benedict, Rubenstein & Spicer, 619-280-5805, for First International Bank, or Jim Markham, VP of First International Bank, 619-425-5000.

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#90225p4648 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Mizlou Communications Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: MZLU, MZLUL) and MultiVision Cable TV announced today that an arrangement has been reached, subject to the signing of an affiliation agreement, for MultiVision Cable TV to distribute Mizlou's Sports News Network (SNN) on its cable systems.

MultiVision Cable TV is the nation's 23rd largest MSO serving a total of

nearly 500,000 subscribers.

Sports News Network, a 24-hour cable sports news service, provides live coverage of late breaking sports news and continuous updates on all major sporting events in progress.

Michael Snyder, director of programming at MultiVision, said that the MSO will initially launch SNN this fall in Prince George's County, Md., a suburb of Washington, the nation's seventh largest television market.

"In its first six months, SNN has built a first class news-gathering organization solely dedicated to providing cable subscribers with up-to-the-minute sports news on demand," Snyder said. "In our judgment, SNN will add significant value to the range of services that we offer our customers."

Jon Steinlauf, SNN executive vice president, said that with the signing of an affiliation agreement with MultiVision, the network would have affiliation agreements, or agreements in principle, with MSOs serving over 17.5 million subscribers.

SNN previously announced affiliation agreements with a number of major MSOs, including United Artists Entertainment, Cablevision Systems, Sammons Prime Cable and Post-Newsweek among others, as well as an agreement in principle with the Time Warner Cable Group.

CONTACT: Jon Steinlauf, executive vice president of Sports News Network, 212-244-3750; or Alex Ross of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Mizlou Communications

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CHULA VISTA, CA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - First International Bank (OTC "Pink Sheets") is pleased to introduce Nancy Ferreira Shaw as its new insurance representative. Shaw holds a Master of Public Administration from San Diego State University, a Master of Regional Planning from the University of Southern California and a Bachelor's de?e from the University of the Pacific; she is nearing completion of certification as a Chartered Life Underwriter.

Formerly with Grossmont Bank, Shaw will oversee the development of an Insurance Department with the ability to provide high quality, competitive business, health, disability and key person life insurance.

Additionally, in affiliation with the Holden Group, a company formed in 1973 to market, administer and underwrite supplemental retirement savings products, and chosen for sponsorship by the American Bankers Association,

retirement and pension plans, including 401K and annuities, will be made available.

"The upgrading of our insurance division is one more step in our ability to provide high quality and comprehensive services to our valued customers " said Norm Richins, president and chief executive officer.

CONTACT: Beverly Miller of Benedict, Rubenstein & Spicer, 619-280-5805, for First International Bank, or Jim Markham, VP of First International Bank, 619-425-5000

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#90225p4651 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Airgas Inc. (NYSE: ARG) reported today that for its first quarter ended June 30, 1990, earnings from continuing operations increased 46 percent to $1,278,000 or $.21 per share from $875,000 or $.14 per share in the first quarter last year.

After-tax cash flow (earnings from continuing operations plus depreciation amortization and deferred taxes) increased 19 percent to $7,227,000 or $1.01 per share from $6,052,000 or $.87 per share in the first quarter last year. The increase in earnings from continuing operations is primarily due to lower interest costs resulting from the use of the proceeds received upon the sale of the company's Jackson Products operations in October 1989, to reduce long-term indebtedness, a reduction in interest rates since April 1, 1989, and improved earnings by the company's joint venture which produces calcium carbide, partially offset by higher insurance costs and higher corporate expenses and depreciation and amortization expenses incurred in connection with the acquisition of 56 industrial gas distribution companies during the past two years.

Net earnings for the three months ended June 30, 1990, decreased 34 percent to $1,278,000 or $.21 per share from $1,932,000 or $.30 per share in the first quarter of last year. The decline in net earnings is primarily due to earnings dilution resulting from the company's sale of Jackson Products in October 1989, higher insurance costs and higher corporate expenses and depreciation and amortization expenses incurred in connection with business acquisitions, which were partially offset by improved joint venture earnings and lower interest costs due to a reduction in interest rates since April 1, 1989.

Net sales increased 12 percent to $79,331,000 during the first quarter ended June 30, 1990, over the same period in the prior year mainly due to the acquisition of 27 industrial gas distribution companies since April 1, 1989.

CONTACT: Britton H. Murdoch or John P. McNiff of Airgas, 215-687-5253

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#90225p4652 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN DIEGO (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Jack in the Box restaurants, the fast-food menu innovator, has expanded its versatile menu with the introduction of the sirloin cheesesteak sandwich.

The sirloin cheesesteak features thin slices of real sirloin steak, two slices of melting cheese, and grilled onions - all served on a toasted steak roll. The new item was developed in response to the popularity of steak sandwiches.

"We think customers will appreciate the superior quality of the sirloin featured in the sandwich," said Mo Igbal, corporate vice president, marketing, for Jack in the Box. "Add the onions and the cheese and you've got a tasty sandwich that is somewhat different than what is typically found in fast-food restaurants," he added.

Jack in the Box, with 1,000 restaurants in the western and southwestern United States, has introduced more than 30 menu items since 1980. The company's experience in introducing new products has positioned it as a leader and innovator in the industry.

Focusing on an upscale adult audience, Jack in the Box originated such industry-wide standards as the portable salad, wheat bun, bacon cheeseburger, chicken sandwich and breakfast croissant sandwich.

Jack in the Box restaurants are owned and operated by Foodmaker Inc. of San Diego.

CONTACT: Mike Di Matteo of Foodmaker Inc., (619) 571-2586.

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#90225p4655 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
ITHACA, N.Y. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Glare on VDT terminals is creating more than complaints from computer users. It's also resulting in visual health problems and significant losses in worker productivity, according to a new study from Cornell University.

Cornell's Department of Design and Environmental Analysis set out to determine the most effective lighting for VDT environments, since a leading complaint of computer users is poor office lighting. Researchers studied the effects of two types of lighting systems on managerial and professional computer users in a nearly windowless building.

The study found that one system -- lensed indirect lighting --

dramatically reduced visual health complaints and accompanying losses in productive worktime by those managerial and professional users. Nearly a fourth of the computer users said they lost 15 minutes or more every day because they had trouble focusing their eyes in areas with conventional office downlighting designed for computer areas. In contrast, only 1 percent of the computer users working under the indirect lighting system lost more than 15 minutes a day because of focusing problems.

Among the computer users working under conventional computer-area lighting more than 10 percent said they lost at least 15 minutes a day because of watering and itching eyes, compared with only 4 percent in the indirect lighting section. Between the two groups, loss of productive worktime caused by tiredeness or lethargy was four times as great in the group with conventional computer-area downlighting.

Led by Dr. Alan Hedge the Cornell study was begun in 1988 at a major facility of Xerox Corp. in upstate New York. Researchers developed a benchmark survey to evaluate overall worker satisfaction in the building, then Xerox renovated the building and standardized decor and lighting. Half the offices were equipped with state-of-the-art overhead fluorescent lighting (parabolic lighting), usually seen in new or renovated buildings. The other half were equipped with lensed indirect fluorescent lights which direct light toward the ceiling (uplighting). This new type of lighting is being used by companies such as AT&T, US West, IBM and other companies relying heavily on computer-equipped workstations.

Hedge and his team surveyed the workers several months after the renovation and found that the indirect uplighting had a positive effect on worker performance, satisfaction and visual health. Indirect lighting ranked much higher on several subjective scales: better overall, more comfortable and less glaring.

Cornell researchers then returned to Xerox 12 months later to conduct a follow-up survey to make sure their findings were accurate and to be certain the results of the first "after" study were not due to simply a change made in their environment, commonly known as The Hawthorne Effect.

The most recent findings were startling, according to Hedge. In addition to visual health problems and lost productivity researchers discovered that employees had modified nearly half of the conventional parabolic lights to try to improve their visual environment. These employees said they lost productivity because of direct glare and bright, unpleasant or uncomfortable light.

Very few complaints emerged from the employees working under indirect lighting. Only 1 percent said the lighting was unpleasant, and few employees said that uplighting led to any loss in productivity.

Employees strongly preferred the lensed indirect lighting: 71 percent of those working with the indirect system preferred it, and 74 percent of those working under the parabolic system preferred uplighting.

"This is an overwhelming preference," said Hedge. "We didn't expect to see results this one-sided, especially given that the parabolic lighting was designed for computer areas."

Hedge said that a leading objective of the Department of Design and Environmental Analysis is to help business create workplaces that are pleasant, healthy and effective. The Xerox Corp. study was conducted by Cornell University under a grant from Peerless Lighting Corp., Berkeley, Calif.

CONTACT: Bob Polzoni, 415-984-6280, or Phil Siegel, 415-984-6150, both of Ketchum Public Relations for Cornell University

-30- 4539

#90225p4657 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Morton International today declared a quarterly dividend of 22 cents per share of common stock, payable on Sept. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 27, 1990.

Morton International is a Chicago-based manufacturer and marketer of specialty chemicals, inflatable restraint systems, and salt.

CONTACT: Nancy A. Hobor of Morton International, 312-807-2424.

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#90225p4662 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Newsbytes News Network, the award-winning news wire based in San Francisco with bureaus around the world, is now available daily on the GEnie service, an online information service offered by GE Information Services. Newsbytes first became available on the GEnie service in July 1989 on a weekly basis.

Offering up-to-the-minute news reports from its bureaus in San Francisco; Los Angeles; Washington; Atlanta; New York; Toronto; London; Brussels, Belgium; Hong Kong; Tokyo; Sydney, Australia; and Moscow, Newsbytes is believed to be the largest independent news wire service covering the computer and technology business in the world.

Wendy Woods, Newsbytes founder and editor-in-chief, commented, "We are very pleased the GEnie service now offers our news reports on a daily basis. The GEnie service has been instrumental in helping Newsbytes become

the premier computer news source in the world."

According to Woods, "Currently the Newsbytes reports are read by more than five million people via more than 60 magazines, online services and newspapers. With the recent addition of a Moscow bureau, Newsbytes now offers news on the technology industry from Eastern Europe as well."

Newsbytes offers technology business news with coverage of more technology stocks than anyone else, according to Woods. Newsbytes follows more than 400 technology company stocks weekly. In addition, the unique Newsbytes Stock Index measures the price level of technology issues similar to the way the Dow Jones average measures the performance of blue chip stocks on the New York Stock Exchange.

The latest updated Newsbytes news reports are available on the GEnie service Monday through Friday at 3 p.m. EDT, noon PDT, and 9 p.m. Central European time.

The GEnie service, which became operational in 1985, is one of the fastest growing online information services with more than 206,000 individual subscribers. Available throughout the U.S., the GEnie service can also be accessed in Canada, Japan, West Germany, Austria, and Switzerland.

For further information on the GEnie service, offered by GE Information Services, please call 1-800-638-9636. GE Information Services, a division of General Electric Company, U.S.A. (NYSE: GE), is headquartered in Rockville.

CONTACT: Wendy Woods, (415) 550-7334, of Newsbytes, or Steve Haracznak, (301) 340-4494, of General Electric Company.

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#90225p4664 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Burger King Investors Master L.P. (NYSE: BKP) announced that funds generated from operations (taxable net income plus depreciation and amortization) for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, amounted to $.44 per unit, the same as the second quarter last year.

Net income allocable to unitholders for the quarter was $1,416,294 or $.30 per unit compared with $1,422,662 or $.30 per unit earned during the same period last year.

Revenues for the second quarter of 1990 were $2,447,100 up from the $2,438,772 achieved in 1989.

The Partnership previously announced a cash distribution of $.43 per unit payable on Sept. 13, 1990, to unitholders of record on Sept. 10, 1990.

BURGER KING INVESTORS MASTER L.P.
(In thousands, except per unit amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenues	$2,447	$2,439	$4,667	$4,658
Net income	$1,445	$1,452	$2,664	$2,707
Net income allocable to unitholders	$1,416	$1,423	$2,611	$2,653
Net income per unit(1)	$.30	$.30	$.56	$.57
Funds from operations(2) per unit (tax basis)	$.44	$.44	$.83	$.83

(1) Based on 4,635,000 units outstanding. (2) Taxable operating income plus depreciation and amortization.

CONTACT: David Smith of Burger King Investors Master L.P., 612-330-8345.

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DEARBORN, MICH. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) has informed employees at its Lorain (Ohio) Assembly Plant that the Ford Thunderbird/Mercury Cougar assembly system at the plant is idled for one week beginning today (Aug. 13).

The downtime was necessitated by a shortage of interior trim materials. The Thunderbird/Cougar assembly system employs approximately 2,700 hourly employees on two shifts and builds about 5,600 units per week.

CONTACT: Joel Pitcoff, 313-337-3753, or June Larsen, 313-337-3755, both of Ford

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#90225p4672 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - An investor group led by Peter J. Solomon Company and Kenneth L. Miron announced today that it completed the purchase of 37 Wickes Lumber Company facilities located in Florida, Georgia, North and South Carolina and Virginia. Financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

The new company, Leeds Building Products, Inc. will be based in Atlanta and will concentrate on the Southeastern market. Miron has been elected president and chief executive officer of Leeds. Since 1969, Miron, 51, served as president and chief operating officer of Miron Building Products Co. Inc., based in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. Miron resigned from Miron Building Products earlier this year in order to devote himself full-time to this

acquisition.

In announcing the sale, Miron noted that "Leeds Building Products will concentrate on serving the professional contractor and on attracting commercial and light industrial customers. Our emphasis will be on millwork products such as kitchen cabinetry and windows, and sub-components such as roof trusses and panels. Our goal is to be the leading supplier of building products to the southeastern professional contractor."

Miron added, "With 1989 revenues of $160 million, Leeds is already well established in the southeast. Despite the current softness in U.S. housing industry, the southeastern region is expected to continue to be a growth area due to favorable demographics and quality of life."

According to Peter J. Solomon, chairman of the firm which led the acquisition, "Leed's strong capitalization and established market position combined with an experienced management team led by Ken Miron, should provide a solid foundation for long-term growth and profitability."

The New York-based Peter J. Solomon Company, provides strategic financial counseling to senior management of large and medium-sized companies, and also acts as a principal in purchasing businesses for its own account. The firm was established by Peter J. Solomon, a former vice chairman and head of investment merchant banking at Shearson Lehman Hutton.

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#90225p4675 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Tg Soda Ash Inc. (Texasgulf) and ATOCHEM North America Inc. (ATOCHEM), both subsidiaries of Elf Aquitaine Inc., today announced the formation of a joint venture to manufacture chemical caustic soda at Granger, Wyo.

Final engineering design for the project is proceeding for start-up targeted for early 1992. The initial capacity of the plant will be 100,000 tons with provisions for additional capacity as market conditions warrant. The plant design will be based on lime-soda technology which produces caustic soda without coproduction of chlorine from Texasgulf's mine water.

Under the terms of the joint venture, Texasgulf will be responsible for plant construction and manufacturing and ATOCHEM will be responsible for sales and marketing. This manufacturing/marketing arrangement

capitalizes on the in-place strategic position of each organization. According to company spokespersons, the venture is necessary to meet the future needs of North American industry for caustic soda which is projected to be in short supply for the next decade. Texasgulf currently operates a 1.3 million ton soda ash facility at Granger, produced from trona ore.

ATOCHEM produces 300,000 tons of electrolytic caustic soda from chloralkali facilities located at Tacoma, Wash., and Portland, Ore., and is a major marketer of chemicals to the pulp and paper industry in the northwest.

ATOCHEM North America Inc., a $1.7 billion diversified chemicals manufacturer headquartered in Philadelphia, was formed Jan. 1, 1990, as the result of the merger of ATOCHEM Inc., M&T Chemicals Inc. and Pennwalt Corp. ATOCHEM North America is an affiliate of ATOCHEM S.A., a $9.5 billion chemicals manufacturer headquartered in Paris.

Tg Soda Ash Inc. is a natural resource and chemical company producing soda ash in Wyoming. Management and marketing services are provided by Texasgulf Inc. Both companies are members of the Elf Aquitaine Group.

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#90225p4676 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BILLERICA, MA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Optrotech, Inc. (NASDAQ: OPTKF) today announced unaudited consolidated revenues and earnings for the second quarter (April-June) of 1990.

The company's revenues for the second quarter ending June 30, 1990 were $19,242,261 compared with $17,506,362 for the same period in 1989, an increase of ten percent. Net income in the second quarter, ended June 30, 1990, was $58,366 or two cents per share compared with net income of $1,052,872 or 20 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Unaudited revenues for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990 were $39,481,334, as compared to revenues of $34,820,166 for the same period in 1989. Net income in the first half of 1990 was $925,196 or 16 cents per share compared with net income of $1,982,314 or 38 cents per share for the same period last year. Market softness, stiff competition, and price reduction have had a material effect on quarterly and half-year earnings of the company.

Optrotech's management has taken steps to deal with the present market conditions. A comprehensive cost reduction program, including a

re-organization of the company's structure, has enabled the company to reduce manpower and allowed it to reinforce its sales force.

Simultaneously, with these measurements, all research and development projects are being continued as planned, to ensure the future market position of the company.

Optrotech's management believes that the quality of its products, their capability to provide CIM (Computerized Integrated Manufacturing) solutions for the production of printed circuit boards, its professional and aggressive marketing and high standard of service, as well as continuous intensive research and development efforts, will enable the company to maintain its strong position in the printed circuit board industry, diversify into related market segments and improve margins.

Optrotech is the leader in the development, manufacturing, sales and services of computerized electro-optical inspection and CAD/CAM systems which provide CIM solutions for the production of printed circuit boards.

CONTACT: Tali Idan, vice president-finance and adminstration of Optrotech, Inc., (508) 667-6037.

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#90225p4677 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. District Judge George La Plata dismissed a lawsuit filed against Jay Alix, trustee of Fred Sanders, Inc., Heller Financial, the confectioner's primary secured lender during its bankruptcy, and its attorneys by two former Sanders officers and a shareholder.

The judge ruled the suit lacked merit, and that the claims were barred because the plaintiffs had opportunities to raise them during bankruptcy proceedings, but failed to do so.

The suit was filed in early February 1989 by Sanders Confectionery Products, a publicly held shell corporation no longer related to the Sanders confectionery company, John Sanders, its chairman, Filipp J. Kreissl, president, and shareholders Sam J. Merigian.

It alleged that Heller forced the company into bankruptcy and the sale of its assets and that Alix should not have been appointed trustee because he was biased against Kreissl.

"When a judge throws a suit out the very first day of oral arguments," Alix said, "that says it all. The court was able to reach this conclusion without the need for an answer to the complaint, any pre-trial investigation of fact or evidentiary hearing." "If there were any truth to

their allegations," he said, "they would have brought them up during the bankruptcy, not months later."

As trustee, Alix saved the then-113-year-old ice cream, topping, and baked goods producer and retailer from being closed during Sanders' second bankruptcy in five years through its sale in the spring of 1988 to Country Home Bakers of Connecticut.

Alix' attorney Michael B. Lewiston of Bodman, Longley & Dahling, said "the court's ruling relieves Jay and the bankruptcy estate of the burden of defending against a baseless suit that never should have been filed."

CONTACT: Don Durocher or Brooke Isberg of Durocher & Company, Inc., (313) 259-7414, for Jay Alix & Associates.

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#90225p4679 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, WV (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Petroleum Development Corp. (NASDAQ: PETD) today announced the following operating results for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990:

PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT CORP.

Period ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,569,600	$1,613,700	$7,245,500	$4,816,300
Net income (loss)	(71,800)	(548,200)	153,200	(470,800)
Earnings (loss) per common share	$(.01)	$(.06)	$.02	$(.05)

In making the announcement, Board Chairman James N. Ryan stated that "the company has drilled 23 wells during the first six months of 1990 as compared to 10 for the same period in 1989. This improvement, coupled with increased gas sales and reduced costs, returned us to a profitable first half of 1990." The company closed its first drilling program of 1990 in June and will drill the wells during the third quarter. The company's next drilling program is scheduled to close on Sept. 15, 1990.

Petroleum Development Corp., a leading Appalachian independent oil and gas company, is headquartered in Bridgeport, W.Va., and is engaged in the business of exploring for, development and producing oil and natural gas. Petroleum Development's common stock is traded in the Over-The-Counter market with the NASDAQ symbol PETD.

CONTACT: Dale G. Rettinger of Petroleum Development Corp., 304-842-3597

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#90225p4685 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
MONTVALE, NJ (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Paper Board Company, Inc. (NYSE: FBO) today announced that it has signed an agreement to acquire Continental Bondware, Inc. a subsidiary of Continental Holdings, Inc. owned by Peter Kiewit Sons' Inc.

Bondware, a major producer of wax- and poly-coated paper cups, has annual sales of approximately $180 million and operates two cup manufacturing plants in Chicago and Shelbyville, Ill.

The acquisition will complement Federal's acquisition last year of Imperial Cup Corp., which operates four cup plants in Kenton, Ohio; LaFayette, Ga.; Salisbury, Md.; and Visalia, Calif.

Federal also announced that it has entered into an agreement with Tokan Kogyo Co., Ltd. of Japan to share and exchange technical information. Tokan is the largest producer of paper cups in Japan.

Federal Paper Board Company, Inc. manufactures and sells solid bleached paperboard, bleached market pulp, recycled paperboard, folding cartons, lumber, paper cups, and in the European market, uncoated freesheet paper.

CONTACT: Quentin J. Kennedy, executive vice president of Federal Paper Board Company, 201-391-1776

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#90225p4688 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
AUSTIN, TEXAS (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola's (NYSE: MOT) Microprocessor Products Group today announced two high performance additions to the popular 8-bit 68HC11 microcontroller family. The 68HC11K4 (K4) and 68HC711K4 (711K4) double the bus speed of the original 68HC11 family members and feature a variety of memory configurations and on chip peripherals to bring the highest level of integration and performance to 8-bit microcontroller applications. The increased bus speeds allow the HC11K devices to challenge many existing 16-bit microcontrollers.

Motorola's 68HC11 family powers a variety of automotive, consumer, and industrial electronic applications including cellular telephones, remote industrial controllers, medical equipment, identification systems, cameras and automobile engine controls. In 1988, Motorola introduced the first 32-bit microcontroller, the 68332. Motorola has announced plans to introduce its first 16-bit microcontroller later this year.

The K4 and 711K4 feature 768 bytes of RAM, 640 bytes of EEPROM (Electrically Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory), 62 I/O lines,

16-bit timer, 4 eight-bit pulse width modulators, 8 channel 8-bit A/D, and enhanced serial peripheral and serial communication interfaces. The K4 includes 24K bytes of ROM and the 711K4 integrates 24K bytes of EPROM (Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory) or OTPROM (One-Time Programmable Read-Only Memory). Both devices allow for memory expansion up to one megabyte .

The 68HC711K4, primarily used for emulation, will be available September 1990 in sample quantities for $250 in 84 pin PLCC. The ROM-based 68HC11K4 will be sampling in 1Q 1991 and will be priced at $25 in 84 pin PLCC. Volume production on the K4 is expected in the second half of 1991 with volume pricing estimated at $15 for 100K volumes. Motorola also provides the 68HC27 (HC27) port expansion device used to regain the ports lost when the microcontroller is operating in the expanded mode. The HC27 is available now and priced at $10 in sample quantities.

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#90225p4690 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - At the request of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Regional Administrator Greer C. Tidwell, Congressman Cass Ballenger has asked the Government Accounting Office (GAO) to initiate a review of the Caldwell Systems Inc. (CSI) sites.

An agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) health advisory, issued on July 25, indicates the possibility that CSI workers and their families, as well as residents living near the closed CSI incinerator site in Lenoir, N.C. have experienced health effects apparently stemming from the operation of the facility. Tidwell told Congressman Ballenger that EPA is concerned about environmental and worker protection regulation of CSI in view of the fact that serious injuries may have resulted from the operation of this facility.

Tidwell stated: "While EPA is itself reviewing the facts and cirumstances surrounding the CSI sites, EPA Administrator William K. Reilly and I believe there is also substantial merit in terms of public confidence in obtaining an independent review of this matter."

Tidwell indicated that GAO's independence and the breadth of its authority make it an appropriate vehicle for this review. The issues as well as the potential solutions may be relevant to several environmental and worker protection laws, Tidwell said.

GAO is the investigative arm of Congress and is charged with examining all matters relating to the receipt and disbursement of public funds. Among

its functions are audits and evaluations of government programs and activities. Congressman Ballenger represents the 10th District of North Carolina, which includes the Lenoir area.

CONTACT: Carl Terry of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, 404-347-3004

-30- 1963

#90225p4691 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCARBOROUGH, MAINE (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Hannaford Bros. Co. (NYSE: HRD), Northern New England's largest food retailer, reported today that its sales and other revenues for the four weeks ended July 28, 1990, were $139,809,000, an increase of 14.2 percent over the $122,469,000 for the same period a year ago.

Sales and other revenues for the 30 weeks ended July 28, 1990, were $952,080,000, up 12.9 percent over the $843,620,000 achieved during the first 30 weeks of 1989.

CONTACT: Charles H. Crockett of Hannaford Bros. Co, 207-883-2911

-30- 711

#90225p4692 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH PALM BEACH, FL (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of FPL Group, Inc. (NYSE: FPL) has declared a quarterly dividend of 59 cents per share on its common stock. The dividend is payable Sept. 17, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 31, 1990. This is the 179th consecutive quarterly dividend paid to holders of common stock of FPL Group and its predecessor, Florida Power & Light Company.

FPL Group is a diversified holding company whose principal subsidiary is Florida Power & Light Company, one of the largest investor-owned electric utilities in the nation. FPL Group's non-utility operations include insurance, non-utility energy production, agriculture, technical services, and cable television. FPL Group's common stock is traded on the New York Tokyo and London stock exchanges.

CONTACT: Tony Bruns of FPL Group, Inc., 407-694-6393

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#90225p4693 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Oak Hill Sportswear Corporation (NASDAQ: OHSC) announced today that the company incurred a net loss of $762,000 or $.37 per share in the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 compared to net income of $157,000 or $.07 per share in the comparable

quarter last year. Sales of $27,753,000 in the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 were 9 percent higher than those recorded in the second quarter of the previous year. In the first half ended June 30, 1990 the company's net loss was $2,098,000 or $1.02 per share compared to net income of $262,000 or $.12 per share in the same period in 1989, as sales increased 4 percent to $53,594,000.

Arthur L. Asch, chairman of the board of Oak Hill Sportswear Corporation, stated that "the loss our company experienced in the second quarter and first half of 1990 was in large measure attributable to sluggish consumer spending, which led retailers to delay their purchases. We adjusted to this climate by reducing our prices in an attempt to keep our inventories in line with sales, thereby creating downward pressure on our gross profit margins. In addition, we absorbed start-up expenses related to a new product line and also recorded unsatisfactory results in a new division.

While there does not as yet seem to be an upturn in the retail environment our company expects to return to profitability in the third quarter as we benefit from the usual seasonal factors. The future outlook remains cloudy due to uncertainty regarding the level of consumer demand for apparel."

Oak Hill Sportswear Corporation is a manufacturer of women's apparel.

OAK HILL SPORTSWEAR CORPORATION

(In thousands except per share data)

Periods ended:	Six months		Three months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$53,594	$51,519	$27,753	$25,526
Income (loss) before taxes	(3,383)	429	(1,228)	257
Net income (loss)	(2,098)	262	(762)	157
Net income (loss) per share	($1.02)	$.12	($.37)	$.07
Wtd. avg. number of shares outstanding - fully diluted	2,058	2,118	2,058	2,123

CONTACT: Arthur L. Asch, chairman of Oak Hill Sportswear, 212-354-0444

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#90225p4699 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermadyne Holdings Corporation and its wholly owned subsidiary, Thermadyne Industries, Inc., announced today that the second quarter for Thermadyne generated $120.1 million of sales, which represent 100 percent of targeted sales and a 2 percent increase over the first quarter sales. Sales of $120.1 million for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 were down slightly from the second quarter ended June 30, 1989 sales of $123.7 million. Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $27.2 million, representing an increase over EBITDA of $26.1 million and $25.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 1989 and

March 31, 1990 respectively.

The economic signals for the rest of 1990 remain mixed. As a result, Thermadyne is focusing most of its efforts in three areas: new marketing programs, new products and new cost reduction efforts. During the second half of 1990, Thermadyne will be implementing several new marketing programs aimed at specific products to increase their sales volume. In addition to the 14 new products introduced during the first six month of the year, an equal number of new products are planned for introduction in the second half of 1990.

Thermadyne's cost reduction efforts implemented in the second half of 1989 continue to be a key to Thermadyne meeting its earnings targets. Several new cost reduction projects have been recently announced for the second half of 1990. These projects include the consolidation of the Marison Cylinder plant into Thermadyne's Coyne Cylinder plant in Huntsville, Ala.

Internationally, Thermadyne is expanding its Koblenz, West Germany facility to meet current production demands. Thermadyne is also consolidating its Canadian Cylinder Co. operations sales and marketing functions into Thermadyne Welding Products of Canada and its manufacturing requirements with its Coyne operation. These projects should result in substantial cost savings and better product availability.

During the second quarter, Jackson Products, Inc.'s permanent capital structure was put into place. As a result, Thermadyne increased its ownership of Jackson from 30 percent to 40 percent, with an option to acquire an additional 11.4 percent, at the present holders original share price, plus interest, at anytime during the next 3 years.

The company reported a net loss of $7.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 1990 compared to a loss of $8.3 million for the three months ended June 30, 1989. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company's net loss was $15.5 million compared to a loss of $58.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 1989. Additional interest expense, transactions related cost and amortization of intangibles and deferred costs created as a result of the April 12, 1989 transaction increased the company's net loss in 1989 compared to 1990.

Thermadyne is a manufacturer of products and accessories used in connection with cutting and welding metal; powered cleaning equipment used in connection with the care and maintenance of floors; and wear resistant products.

CONTACT: James N. Mills, chairman, president and chief executive officer, 314-721-7255, or Marvin Madeson, 314-854-1311, all of Thermadyne Holdings.

-30- 3550
#90225p4700 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. cement producers have been materially injured by imports of Mexican cement dumped on the market, according to a final ruling by the U.S International Trade Commission (ITC).

This decision clears the way for the imposition of duties on all imports of Mexican cement into the United States. In order to continue importing Mexican product after Aug. 31, 1990, importers will be required to tender cash deposits to the U.S. Customs Service equal to the estimated dumping duties, approximately 58 percent for the largest Mexican producer.

Southdown, Inc. (NYSE: SDW), six other domestic producers and two labor unions were the petitioners who requested this investigation of Mexican cement imports.

Clarence C. Comer, president and chief executive officer of Southdown and chairman of the petitioning committee of producers, stated, "This ruling is an important victory for the U.S. cement producers with plants located in the southern states, because it will enable the industry to expand and modernize, creating jobs and other economic benefits for this country.

"Without this favorable ruling, the industry would have continued to contract, as the flood of unfairly priced imports would have continued to prevent the U.S. industry from earning returns sufficient to justify reinvestment in plant and equipment."

In recent years, Mexican cement producers have exported between four and five million tons of cement a year into the United States, primarily into Florida, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and southern California. This compares to virtually no Mexican imports in 1982.

Because of sharply increased Mexican imports into these markets since 1982, cement prices have been depressed despite unprecedented growth in cement demand in southern California and Florida.

In 1988 (prior to the filing of the anti-dumping petition in September 1989), Mexican cement imports accounted for approximately 22 percent of the Florida market, 14 percent of the Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona market, and seven percent of the southern California market.

On July 11, 1990, the U.S. Department of Commerce announced that Mexican cement is being dumped into the United States. The Commerce Department found a dumping margin of 58 percent of the customs value for CEMEX, the dominant Mexican cement producer and exporter. That margin equates to a duty of about $17 per on, assuming a typical customs value of approximately $30 per ton.

CONTACT: Karen A. Twitchell of Southdown, Inc., (713) 650-6200.

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#90225p4703 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TX (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Dell Computer Corporation (NASDAQ: DELL) announced today that it has again been awarded a contract by the General Services Administration (GSA) that will expedite the procurement process for government purchasers of Dell personal computer products. The new GSA Schedule C contract, number GS00K90AGS5213, is effective through March 31, 1991.

"The GSA schedule has been an important element of our increasing success in the government marketplace," said Joel J. Kocher, senior vice president of U.S. sales and operations for the company. "That success is based largely on Dell's commitment to serve the distinct requirements of government customers, and on our ability to provide end-users with comprehensive after-sale service and support."

Sales of Dell products to governmental customers doubled in fiscal year 1990 (ended Feb. 2, 1990). Growth in this segment also contributed significantly to increased national account sales which represented 45 percent of worldwide revenues in the first quarter of fiscal 1991, up from 37 percent of revenues in the prior-year quarter. National accounts include major corporate, governmental and educational customers.

Dell has formed specialized account teams consisting of sales, technical support and customer service representatives which are dedicated solely to serving the unique needs of governmental customers. These teams provide customers with a single source for assistance.

"Obtaining this schedule was a demanding process," said Dennis Jolly, director of Dell's Public Sector sales organization. "The GSA staff has a variety of issues to consider when reviewing proposals and awarding schedules, and we acknowledge and appreciate their efforts."

Dell Computer Corporation designs, develops, manufactures, markets, services and supports a complete line of personal computers compatible with industry standards. The company is recognized in independent surveys as having the highest customer satisfaction level in the industry for its line of personal computers. Dell pioneered the direct marketing of personal computers in 1984. Information on the company and its products can be obtained through its toll-free number: 800-426-5150.

CONTACT: Michele Moore or Jill Shanks of Dell Computer Corporation, 512-338-4400

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#90225p4705 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Health Images Inc. (NASDAQ: HIMG), today announced second quarter 1990 net income of $715,700 or $0.11 per share on net revenues of $11,184,100 as compared to second quarter 1989 net income of $601,900 or $0.09 per share on net revenues of $7,919,900.

Share earnings are after preferred stock dividend requirements in the 1989 period and are calculated on 6,747,500 and 5,402,900 common share and dilutive common share equivalents outstanding for the 1990 and 1989 periods respectively.

Robert D. Carl III, president and chairman, commented: "We are generally pleased with second quarter 1990 results. The opening of five new imaging centers and one radiation oncology center during 1990's first half as compared to two new imaging centers during the same period in 1989 has, however, put some pressure on our short term earnings growth. As these centers mature, we expect an increase in our earnings growth rate."

Carl commented further on the impact of special items which affected Health Images' earnings in the 1989 second quarter. "Shareholders should remember that during the quarter ended June 30, 1989, Health Images sold its 25 percent interest in its former Pasadena, Texas imaging center," he stated. "The non-recurring gain on this sale, partially offset by non-recurring expenses related to the settlement of certain litigation and the writeoff of the company's Canton and Columbus, Ohio imaging center projects, was $84,510."

Health Images Inc. operates 24 magnetic resonance imaging centers and one radiation oncology center, manufactures magnetic resonance imaging scanners, and provides equipment maintenance services for major medical diagnostic imaging equipment.

HEALTH IMAGES OPERATING RESULTS
3 months ended June 30

	1990	1989	Inc. (dec.)	Pct. inc. (dec.)
Gross patient service revenues	$11,574,300	$7,499,100	$4,075,200	54.3
Provision for uncollectible accounts and contractual adjustments	2,065,700	1,415,000	650,700	46.0
Net patient service revenue	9,508,600	6,084,100	3,424,500	56.3
Engineering revenue	1,425,600	1,399,100	26,500	1.9
Other income	249,900	436,700	(186,800)	(42.7)
Total net revenue	$11,184,100	$7,919,900	$3,264,200	41.2
Operating costs	$ 7,796,000	$5,161,000	$2,635,000	51.1

General and administrative expenses	1,170,600	1,139,400	31,200	2.7
Interest expense (net)	834,100	461,800	372,300	80.6
Total costs and exp.	$ 9,800,700	$6,762,200	$3,038,500	44.9
Income before provision for income taxes and minority interest	1,383,400	1,157,700	225,700	19.5
Minority interest in income of consolidated entities	242,400	224,600	17,800	7.9
Income before prov. for income taxes	1,141,000	933,100	207,900	22.2
Provision for income taxes	425,300	331,200	94,100	28.4
Net income	$715,700	$601,900	$113,800	18.9
Net income per share (primary)	$0.11	$0.09	$0.02	22.2
Avg. common shares and dilutive common share equivalents (primary)	6,747,500	5,402,900	1,344,600	24.9
Net income per share (fully diluted)	$0.10	$0.09	$0.01	11.1
Avg. common shares and dilutive common share equivalents (fully diluted)	6,866,000	5,402,900	1,463,100	27.1

Six months ended June 30

	1990	1989	Inc. (dec.)	Pct. inc. (dec.)
Gross patient service revenues	$21,820,000	$14,253,100	$7,566,900	53.1
Provision for uncollectible accounts and contractual adjustments	3,865,400	2,559,500	1,305,900	51.0
Net patient service revenue	17,954,600	11,693,600	6,261,000	53.5
Engineering revenue	2,429,700	2,234,200	195,500	8.8
Other income	335,500	490,000	(154,500)	(31.5)
Total net revenue	$20,719,800	$14,417,800	$6,302,000	43.7
Operating costs	$14,446,800	$ 9,570,600	$4,876,200	50.9
General and administrative expenses	2,161,300	1,893,800	267,500	14.1
Interest expense (net)	1,643,700	996,900	646,800	64.9
Total costs and expenses	$18,251,800	$12,461,300	$5,790,500	46.5
Income before provision for income taxes and				

minority interest	2,468,000	1,956,500	511,500	26.2
Minority interest in income of consolidated entities	503,400	446,400	57,000	12.8
Income before provision for income taxes	1,964,600	1,510,100	454,500	30.1
Provision for income taxes	746,500	475,000	271,500	57.2
Net income	$1,218,100	$1,035,100	$183,000	17.7
Net income per share (primary)	$0.18	$0.15	$0.03	20.0
Avg. common shares and dilutive common share equivalents (primary)	6,615,300	5,340,000	1,275,300	23.9
Net income per share (fully diluted)	$0.18	$0.15	$0.03	20.0
Avg. common shares and dilutive common share equivalents (fully diluted)	6,674,500	5,340,000	1,334,500	25.0

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MELVILLE, NY (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Allen Group Inc. (NYSE: ALN) has completed two separate acquisitions, which will extend its position in two strategically important markets.

Allen purchased a 50 percent interest in a new partnership joint venture with Metropolitan Air Research Testing Authority of Nashville. The joint venture's predecessor was founded in 1984 to operate centralized automotive emissions test programs for states and municipalities and recently was awarded the Jacksonville, Fla. program, which will begin in early 1991.

The joint venture, which has been named MARTA Technologies, will continue these operations and actively pursue additional centralized emission test programs.

Separately, Allen purchased 80 percent of the outstanding stock of Grayson Electronics Company of Lynchburg, Va. Grayson is a specialized producer of radio frequency circuit boards for use in the communications industry.

Commenting on the two acquisitions, Philip Wm. Colburn, chairman and chief

executive officer of Allen, stated, "These two acquisitions, while modest in size, will extend Allen's capabilities in two important growth areas.

"The acquisition of a substantial interest in MARTA Technologies provides Allen the opportunity to participate in centralized automotive emissions test programs and complements our Allen Testproducts Division's position as a market leader in the manufacture and sale of equipment for automotive emissions test programs.

"Allen Testproducts' emission test equipment will be used in the Jacksonville, Fla. program. We believe that federally mandated improvements to current clean air standards will lead to a sizable number of new automotive test programs, both decentralized and centralized, over the next several years. Until now, we have had no access to the centralized programs which seem to be preferred by the Federal government.

"The Grayson acquisition will provide Allen with a source of unique technology in the communications industry that will benefit our Antenna Specialists division, which has been a major customer for Grayson's products."

The Allen Group Inc. is a manufacturer and marketer of automotive products, including automotive test equipment, automated manufacturing equipment, truck components, and mobile communications antennas and accessories.

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HOLLAND, MICH. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Donnelly Corporation (AMEX: DON) today reported financial results for the fourth quarter and year-end of the 1990 fiscal year.

Net sales for the fourth quarter were $62,320,000, which represents an increase of 14.4 percent over $54,477,000 for the same period last year. Net sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, were $213,086,000, an increase of 7.4 percent over $198,323,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989. Sales increased significantly in the automotive markets, up 14.2 percent at $189,024,000 from $165,462,000 in 1989. This was primarily due to an increase in the number of new products being sold by Donnelly. The Coated Products segment of the business declined significantly from 1989 levels to $24,062,000, down 26.8 percent from $32,861,000 in 1989.

Net income for the fourth quarter was $2,019,000, compared to $2,209,000 for the same period last year. While down slightly from last year, this was a 91.4-percent increase over the third quarter and represented a major

improvement over profits earned early in the year. Net income for 1990 was $2,337,000, down from $6,216,000 for fiscal 1989. Income per share was down from $1.11 in 1989 to $0.41 in 1990.

Early in the fiscal year, it became apparent that a sharp downturn was being faced in both the transportation and electronic information display markets. Management took action quickly to cut non-strategic programs to conserve resources, including implementation of selective salary reductions, reduced capital spending from planned levels, elimination of nearly 60 staff positions, layoffs of production and office employees, and reduced administrative spending. These actions helped the company achieve strong performance during the fourth quarter and enabled Donnelly to complete another profitable year.

Dr. J. Dwane Baumgardner, CEO and president, stated, "Our 1990 fiscal year can best be characterized as challenging and difficult. But it was also a year in which decisions were implemented to improve the company's performance and to position it for new growth opportunities. All in all, Donnelly just completed another year of solid achievement, considering the challenges which were encountered.

"Donnelly demonstrated flexibility and resilience during the past year and is well-positioned to resume its rapid growth rate in the future. Rarely has there been a time when the company has had so many opportunities to pursue and been in a position to turn these opportunities into reality. We have always taken a long-term view of our business and our long-term future appears bright."

Donnelly Corporation is an international company dedicated to serving customers around the world with high quality fabricated, molded and coated glass products for the transportation and electronics markets.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Zapata Corporation (NYSE: ZOS) reported an operating loss of $8.1 million for the third quarter of fiscal 1990, compared with a third quarter loss of $1.5 million the year before, Zapata Chairman and Chief Executive Officer R.C. Lassiter said today.

The company reported a net loss for the quarter which ended June 30 of $20.0 million (63 cents a share), versus a net loss of $26.1 million (82 cents a share) a year earlier. Results for the 1989 third quarter, however, reflected a $16.4 million pretax write-down of Zapata's coal-related assets.

Revenues for the quarter totaled $39.1 million, while those for the year-earlier quarter were $51.7 million. Improved performance by Zapata's offshore drilling division could not offset the decreased contributions from the company's marine protein and oil and gas divisions.

Due to improved utilization and day rates compared with the previous year, the drilling division reported an operating loss of $500,000 on revenues of $22.2 million for the third quarter of 1990 versus a 1989 operating loss of $7.2 million on revenues of $15.5 million. While the overall results have improved based on a relatively strong international market, the weak Gulf of Mexico market, where one-half of Zapata's company-owned rigs are located, remains a problem. Aside from any significant long-term impact that the recent Middle East crisis might have on the outlook for oil and gas exploration, the fundamentals of the drilling market continue to reflect a worldwide oversupply of offshore drilling equipment.

Hampered by a third consecutive season of low fish catch, coupled with this year's low product prices, the marine protein division generated a $6.7 million operating loss on revenues of $11.5 million for the quarter. These results compared unfavorably to the year-ago report of $1.2 million operating income on revenues of $24.8 million. Fish catch continues at below-1989 levels and the division is not expected to generate positive cash flow from operations during 1990.

A decrease in both gas prices and production caused the oil and gas division to post operating income of $900,000 on revenues of $5.4 million for the quarter. The quarterly results for the 1989 period, including a $2.1 million gain from the settlement of a contract dispute, were $6.3 million of operating income on $11.4 million of revenues.

Zapata Corporation is a Houston-based international company that operates a fleet of offshore drilling rigs, conducts menhaden fishing operations that produce fish meal and edible oil, and produces oil and natural gas.

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INDIANAPOLIS, IN (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir today officially opened its new $3.9 million Indianapolis Reservations Center, located on an 11.5 acre site in the Northwest Quadrant of the airport.

The new facility replaces a smaller reservations office located in the administrative building of the airport terminal. Approximately 500 USAir reservations employees are now in the process of relocating in the new

center, which will take its first calls from the public on Wednesday, Aug. 15.

"This new reservations center and our adjacent $19.6 million aircraft maintenance facility now under construction are examples of USAir's successful partnership with Indianapolis," said Russell D. Meade, regional manager - reservations at Indianapolis. "Because of our excellent working relationship with the city and the Airport Authority Board, USAir has been able to expand its facilities, increase flight schedules and establish Indianapolis as a key connecting hub on the USAir system."

At an official opening ceremony today at the new USAir facility, Gordon St. Angelo, Indianapolis Airport Authority Board vice president, said the new center "is further evidence of the solid relationship between this airport and the new USAir. It reaffirms the role of the airport and USAir in the economic vitality of our city. These new facilities mean jobs for our community -- 500 permanent USAir jobs in the reservations office alone. When you include the maintenance hangar under construction and USAir's terminal operations, USAir employment in Indianapolis surpasses 1,000."

Construction of the 26,000-square-foot reservations center began in the fall of 1989. Included in the new center are 202 telephone sales agent positions, administrative offices and training rooms. Like the current facility, the new office will be staffed from 6 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. the following day, seven days a week. Agents answer a daily average of 25,000 telephone calls, making flight reservations and providing schedule and fare information to callers from throughout the Midwest.

USAir operates 50 daily jet flight departures from Indianapolis International Airport. Its USAir Express affiliate operates another 47 daily flights here, making Indianapolis the primary connecting point for many smaller cities.

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HADERA, ISRAEL (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - American Israeli Paper Mills Ltd. (AMEX: AIP) today reported results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Consolidated sales for the three month period amounted to $60.6 million (NIS 125.9 million), an increase of 6.6 percent compared with sales of $56.8 million (NIS 118.1 million) in the same quarter last year. Consolidated sales for the six-month period were up 5.2 percent, and

amounted to $123.9 million (NIS 257.4 million), compared with $117.7 million (NIS 244.6 million) in the first six months of 1989.

Net earnings for the three month period amounted to $2.2 million (NIS 4.7 million), similar to that reported in the first quarter of 1990, and compared with $0.3 million (NIS 0.6 million) in the second quarter of 1989.

Net earnings for the six month period rose by 141 percent over the same period a year ago, and amounted to $4.4 million (NIS 9.2 million), compared with $1.8 million (NIS 3.8 million). Net earnings per share for the first half of 1990 reached $1.16 (NIS 2.41), compared with $0.48 (NIS 1.00) per share in the first six months of last year.

The upswing in sales resulted from: improved dollar prices, especially for paper; increased volume of sales; and expanded activities.

The achievements of the company's reorganization program were notable during the first six months of 1990, resulting in increased efficiency, and cost savings in several areas, such as fewer work-hours per ton of paper produced and reduced percentage of broke.

The price of imported pulp dropped somewhat, following a thee-year period of steady price rises. This decrease had only a minor effect on production costs, however, since there was a 10 percent increase in energy costs during the first half of 1990, compared with last year.

Operating profit for the first half of 1990 rose by some 93 percent, and amounted to $7.7 million (NIS 16.0 million), compared with $4.0 million (NIS 8.3 million) in the same period last year.

Net financial expenditure amounted to $0.9 million (NIS 1.8 million) in the first six months of 1990, compared with $1.5 million (NIS 3.1 million) in the first half of 1989. This decrease is mainly due to a significant drop in the company's net liabilities due to a positive cash flow from operating activities.

The company's financial reserves (including cash and short-term deposits) amounted to some $46.5 million (NIS 96.6 million) at June 30, 1990, compared with $35.7 million (NIS 74.1 million) at the end of the corresponding period last year.

During the first half of 1990, the company invested about $4.6 million (NIS 9.6 million) in fixed assets, compared with about $4 million (NIS 8.2 million) during the same period last year. The investments were in various projects, including some which had been initiated in 1989.

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#90225p4715 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Charter One Financial, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: COFI), holding company for The First Federal Savings Bank, today reported that net income for the second quarter of 1990 rose 19 percent to $4.9 million from $4.2 million in the 1989 second quarter. Net income per share was up 11 percent to $0.69 versus $0.62 per share last year.

Net income for the first six months increased to $8.5 million, or $1.19 per share, from $8.4 million, equal to $1.21 per share, last year.

Charles John Koch, president and chief executive officer, said, "We are particularly gratified that second quarter net interest income, which is the major component of our core earnings, increased 16 percent over the prior year's quarter. The increase was primarily attributable to $1.2 billion in interest earning assets acquired midway through the second quarter with the acquisition of certain assets and the assumption of certain liabilities of the former Broadview Federal Savings Bank from the Resolution Trust Corporation. Even though the assimilation of Broadview is as yet incomplete, positive effects are already being seen in current results. The acquisition of assets was especially noteworthy because, based on the preliminary allocation of the purchase price, it resulted in no goodwill being recorded and no dilution of earnings per share."

Koch said the assimilation is proceeding on schedule. "We are extremely pleased with the high quality of the Broadview assets we selected. These are all exceptional quality, performing residential mortgages located principally in Ohio where the economy has been stable for some time."

During the quarter, Charter One also benefited from a $10.8 million pre-tax gain on the sale of 177,800 shares of Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) common stock. The decision to sell the shares was influenced by favorable market conditions and management's desire to increase the level of regulatory capital following the Broadview asset acquisition. After the sale of securities, the bank retains 253,560 shares of Freddie Mac stock at an average cost of $21.24 per share. On August 10, Freddie Mac closed at $68.00 per share.

During the quarter, the company established a $5.5 million provision for loan losses. Approximately $2 million of this provision was applied to a specific reserve against loans, previously reported in the first quarter, to a single commercial developer who has been experiencing cash flow difficulties. The balance of $3.5 million was based upon management's decision to increase the unallocated portion of the allowance for loan losses to accommodate growth in the loan portfolio and uncertain national

economic conditions.

Koch noted that no other significant problem loans have developed and that First Federal's ratio of nonperforming assets to total assets of 1.15 percent is excellent and remains well below industry levels. He said the superior quality of the portfolio is attributable to the high concentration of single family residential mortgages in Ohio.

Charter One Financial, Inc.'s subsidiary, The First Federal Savings Bank, operates 69 offices in Ohio, covering the Greater Cleveland, Akron, Youngstown and Portsmouth markets, and Toledo, where the bank operates under the name People's Savings.

CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL, INC.
(THE FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK)
Operating Highlights
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89(A)
Interest income	$61,994	$50,960
Interest expense	46,270	37,399
Net interest income	15,724	13,561
Provision for loan losses (B)	5,550	352
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	10,174	13,209
Gain from sale of investments, loans and mortgage-backed securities (C)	10,771	2,002
Other income	2,615	1,494
Other expenses	13,577	10,606
Income before federal income taxes	9,983	6,099
Federal income taxes	5,051	1,945
Net income	$ 4,932	$ 4,154
Net income per common and common equivalent share (d)	$ 0.69	$ 0.62
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	7,102,428	6,058,800

	Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89(A)
Interest income	$112,522	$99,728
Interest expense	82,949	72,919
Net interest income	29,573	26,809
Provision for loan losses (B)	6,360	1,077
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	23,213	25,732
Gain from sale of investments,		

loans and mortgage-backed securities (C)	12,280	4,084
Other income	4,713	3,289
Other expenses	24,769	20,837
Income before federal income taxes	15,437	12,268
Federal income taxes	6,921	3,870
Net income	$ 8,516	$ 8,398
Net income per common and common equivalent share (D)	$ 1.19	$ 1.21
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	7,127,153	6,024,188

Notes to Operating Highlights (A) Restated to reflect the merger of First Federal Savings of Akron and Western Reserve Savings Bank which took effect on August 10, 1989.

(B) Increased loan loss provision in the second quarter of 1990 directs approximately $2 million to specific reserves against nonperforming loans made to a single commercial developer and approximately $3.5 million to unallocated reserves to accommodate growth of the loan portfolio and uncertain national economic conditions.

(C) Reflects pre-tax gain on sale of 177,800 shares of Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation common stock in the second quarter of 1990.

(D) Earnings per share in 1989 are based on Charter One earnings only. While 1989 net income is restated to reflect the merger-conversions with two mutual associations that were accounted for as poolings-of-interest, the prior year's weighted average common shares are not restated to consider the shares issued in August 1989 to effect the mergers.

CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL, INC.
(THE FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK)
Balance Sheet Highlights
(In thousands)

	6/30/90	6/30/89(A)
Total assets	$3,143,574	$2,116,430
Total loans and mortgage-backed securities	2,574,809	1,753,547
Deposits	2,494,415	1,786,742
Shareholders' equity	177,327	148,518
	12/31/89	
Total assets	$ 2,127,094	
Total loans and mortgage-backed securities	1,774,731	
Deposits	1,778,105	

Shareholders' equity 170,328

(A) Restated to reflect the merger of First Federal Savings of Akron and Western Reserve Savings Bank, which took effect

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SAN RAFAEL, CA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Fair, Isaac and Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: FICI) has declared a 5 cent per share semiannual dividend payable Sept. 6, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Aug. 25, 1990.

President and Chief Executive Officer William R. Fair noted that this dividend is in line with the policy established by the company in February 1989. Fair said, "We expect to continue paying dividends at this level for the foreseeable future."

Established in 1956, Fair, Isaac is a pioneer and world leader in the development of rule-based control systems, products, and services for the retail credit industry. It also produces control systems for utilities and insurance underwriters. In fiscal 1989 the company earned $1.96 million on revenues of $23.2 million.

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TORONTO (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - ARC International Corporation (AMEX, TSE: ATV) today announced consolidated operating results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales for the second quarter of 1990 were approximately $24.2 million compared to $24.8 million last year. For the six months ended June 30, sales were $44.1 million compared to $44.6 million. It should be noted that the 1989 comparative figures include sales of approximately $714,000 and $2.3 million, respectively, obtained from the microwave component manufacturing business which was sold earlier this year.

Second quarter net income from operations grew to $1,385,251 from $982,792 last year. For the six months, income from operations was $1,964,239 compared to $1,936,900.

Second quarter net income of $291,228 or $.04 per share compares to a net loss of $120,068 or $.02 per share last year. Year to date, net income of $169,194 or $.02 per share was achieved, compared to a net loss of $79,229 or $.01 per share a year ago.

Second quarter operating cash flow (net income plus the non-cash charges of depreciation and amortization) was $752,273 or $.11 per share compared to $209,886 or $.03 per share last year. Year to date, operating cash flow amounts to $1,079,122 or $.15 per share, compared to $710,964 or $.11 per share.

Commenting on the results, Arnold S. Tenney, president and chief executive officer of ARC, said: "We are pleased to report the improvement in operating performance and the return to profitability. The weakening North American economy however, gives us concern for the near term.

The recently formed Digital Cinema Disc Joint Venture is proceeding on schedule, and we expect to complete the project development by year end, and begin product manufacture and delivery to theaters in early 1991.

The Precision Technology subsidiary operated profitably during our second quarter and contributed modestly to the accompanying income statement.

Other marketing opportunities continue to be explored, including the distribution of products made by other manufacturers and contract manufacturing for others where such strategic associations could be beneficial for both partners. These developments show that opportunities for growth remain available to ARC even during periods of economic uncertainty as currently prevail in North America."

CONTACT: Arnold S. Tenney, president and chief executive officer; Philip A. Halpern, vice president-finance and corporate secretary; Jeffrey D. Chelin, controller and assistant secretary, all of ARC International, 416-630-0200

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#90225p4719 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST CHESTER, PA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Roy F. Weston Inc. (NASDAQ: WSTNA) (WESTON) today announced that its Board of Directors has approved the appointment of William J. Marrazzo as president and M. Christine Murphy as executive vice president of Quality Assurance/Finance effective Sept. 3, 1990.

Dr. A. Frederick Thompson, who has served as vice chairman and executive vice president of Quality Assurance and Finance, will now devote his full time to the newly expanded position of vice chairman.

Commenting on these appointments, Roy F. Weston, chairman, chief executive officer and president, noted that, "I intend to continue as chairman and chief executive officer for the foreseeable future. However, to effectively prepare for my eventual retirement, I believe it is critical that a comprehensive plan be in place that will allow for a smooth transition of management responsibilities over the next several years. Dr. Thompson will assist me in implementing the duties, accountabilities and authority essential to managing the Office of the Chairman. The Office includes the Office of the President, the Operations Office, the Marketing Division, the Quality Assurance/Finance Division and the Office of Technology. Dr. Thompson, Mr. Marrazzo and the other members of the top management team have the talent, expertise and management ability to successfully lead our company into the future."

Marrazzo will serve as president and will continue as chief operating officer, providing direction to the Technical Divisions/Subsidiaries and the Regional Operations.

In her role as executive vice president of Quality Assurance/ Finance, Murphy will be reponsible for the management of the company's corporate resources, which includes: financial, human, information and physical resources and in addition, quality assurance, legal and other administrative functions of the corporation.

Prior to joining WESTON, Murphy served for four years as revenue commissioner and deputy director of Finance for the City of Philadelphia. Previously, she had been a partner at Arthur Young & Company (a Big Six accounting firm) responsible for a variety of external and internal consulting and management operations. Murphy is a certified public accountant (CPA). She holds an M.B.A. from Drexel University and a B.S. in business management from Stonehill College in North Easton, Mass.

WESTON is a full-service environmental engineering, design and consulting firm providing nationwide analytical laboratory services, consulting and engineering, remediation, facility construction and operations, technical information management and major program management services.

Headquartered in West Chester, WESTON operates four analytical laboratories and 44 offices, including Los Angeles, Houston, Chicago, Atlanta, Boston, New York and Washington, D.C.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today announced the following real

estate mortgage investment conduit (REMIC) pricing:

Date of Pricing: August 2, 1990
Trust Number: 1990-106
Amount: $750.100 Million
Dealer: Goldman, Sachs & Co.
REMIC backed by: Class 1 (PO) and a portion of Class 2 (IO) of SMBS 000083-CL (backed by 9.50 percent Fannie Mae MBS) Settlement date: September 27, 1990

Class	Type	Amount In Millions	Coupon
A	PAC	$ 36.900	8.50 percent
B	PAC	$ 42.9625	8.50 percent
C	PAC	$ 36.0375	8.50 percent
D	PAC	$ 47.9875	8.50 percent
E	PAC	$ 39.150	8.50 percent
G	PAC	$114.0375	8.50 percent
H	PAC	$ 56.300	8.50 percent
J	PAC	$ 86.600	8.50 percent
K	PAC	$ .250	928.95 percent
L	PAC	$ 57.500	9.00 percent
M	PAC	$ 77.500	9.00 percent
N	PAC	$ 39.000	9.00 percent
FA	Floating-rate	$ 33.1875	8.70 percent
SA	Inverse Floater	$ 3.6875	11.70 percent
F	Floating-rate	$ 44.100	8.85 percent
S	Inverse Floater	$ 9.800	9.675 percent
Y	Accrual	$ 25.000	9.00 percent
R	Residual	$ .090	9.00 percent
RL	Lower Tier Residual	$ .010	9.00 percent

Interest rates for Classes FA, SA, F and S are based on one-month LIBOR, reset monthly.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally charterd, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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#90225p4727 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAYLOR, MI (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Mazda Motor Corporation today announced the formation of a joint venture to manufacture transmissions for small cars in Thailand.

The new company will be called Sukosol and Mazda Engineering Co., LTD. (SMEC) and will be incorporated in September. Start-up operations are planned for January 1992. The new company is a collaboration between Mazda Motor Corporation, Toyo Menka Kaisha, Co., LTD., a Japanese trading company, and Kijkamol Sukosol Co., LTD., an existing Mazda distributor in Bangkok, Thailand.

The government of Thailand has been promoting its policy for the nation's localization of automobile components. In response to this, the new company will be established under the approval of the Board of Investment (BOI) with a total investment of about 4.2 billion yen.

The automotive market in Thailand has been active for Mazda vehicle sales, especially the Mazda 323 and Familia pickup. Both models continue to show positive performance, outpacing the overall increase in automotive sales. As a result of increasing sales, Mazda expects to expand its market share and improve its parts supply within the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) through this new company.

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COEUR D'ALENE, ID (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp. (NYSE: CDE) today reported net income for the second quarter of 1990 of $707,000, or 7 cents per share, on total revenues of $13.1 million, compared to second-quarter 1989 net income of $2.5 million, or 25 cents per share, on total revenues of $18.3 million.

During the first six months of 1990, the company had net income of $3.1 million, or 32 cents per share, on total revenues of $27.5 million. First-half 1989 net income was $3.2 million, or 32 cents per share, on total revenues of $32.3 million.

The decline in total revenues and net income in the second quarter of 1990 was due to a decline in silver prices, a decrease in gain from the company's forward sales program and lower silver and gold production due to an accumulation of unprocessed inventory resulting from the commissioning of a new leach pad at Coeur d'Alene Mines' Rochester silver-gold mine. The new pad is now operational.

Silver prices during the second quarter of 1990 continued to decline to an average of $5 per ounce (Handy & Harman), compared to $5.51 per ounce for 1989's second quarter. Gold prices also declined in the second quarter to an average price of $365.07 per ounce (London final quotation), compared to $374.35 for the same quarter in 1989.

Gold production for Coeur d'Alene Mines in 1990's first half was 27,593 ounces, while silver production was 2,485,770 ounces. Gold production in 1989's first half was a record 34,954 ounces, and silver production was 2,584,357 ounces.

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JACKSON, MS (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobile Telecommunication Technologies Corp., or Mtel (NASDAQ-NMS: MTTL), today reported an 85 percent increase in second quarter revenue compared with the same quarter a year ago.

Revenue totaled $15,339,757 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared with $8,290,060 in the second quarter of 1989.

Net loss for the second quarter was $5,610,032 or 20 cents per share, versus a net loss of $2,581,349 or 10 cents per share, for the second quarter of 1989.

Mtel's net loss for the first half of 1990 was $10,288,309 or 36 cents per share compared with $5,640,762 or 23 cents per share for the first half of 1989.

"Mtel's second quarter revenue growth was driven by continued strong demand for the nationwide paging and voice mail services of SkyTel Corp.," said Robert Fugate, chief financial officer and treasurer of Mtel. "The net loss is in line with our expectations and reflects investment spending in marketing and network development to build up the number of SkyTel subscribers."

According to Fugate, the company had 95,800 units in service at the end of the second quarter. This figure includes 62,200 SkyPager(TM) units and 11,300 SkyTalk(TM) voice mail units in the United States, as well as 22,300 paging subscribers in the United Kingdom. Since the end of 1989, U.S. subscribers are up by 43 percent, and U.K. subscribers are up by 17 percent.

On Aug. 2, 1990, Mtel announced that it purchased the right to access the direct subscriber base of Metrocast, a nationwide paging service that will cease operations on Oct. 4, 1990. This move enables Mtel to offer SkyTel service to 1,500 Metrocast customers and also provides the opportunity to work with Metrocast's resellers to transfer their customers to the SkyTel system.

Mtel, headquartered in Jackson, Miss., is engaged in businesses that include nationwide paging and voice messaging services in the United

States; nationwide paging services and paging system manufacturing in the United Kingdom; interests in other satellite-based telecommunications systems; air-to-ground and marine telecommunication systems; telephone answering service operations; and a digital microwave system serving southern California.

MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES CORP.
Summary of Operations (Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$15,339,757	$ 8,290,060	$ 29,266,367	$15,474,479
Net loss	$(5,610,032)	$(2,581,349)	$(10,288,309)	$(5,640,762)
Loss per share	$(0.20)	$(0.10)	$(0.36)	$(0.23)

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

	6/30/90 (Unaudited)	12/31/89
ASSETS:		
Total current assets	$ 24,833,874	$ 36,386,549
Property & equipment, net	37,764,845	33,318,578
Certificates of authority and goodwill	35,136,221	32,723,194
Investments and other assets	14,682,044	13,042,336
Total assets	$112,416,984	$115,470,657
LIABILITIES & STOCKHOLDERS' INVESTMENT:		
Total current liabilities	$ 15,707,234	$ 12,656,499
Long-term debt	11,995,479	8,354,148
Convertible subordinated debentures	14,299,624	13,961,604
Stockholders' investment:		
Common stock, par value $.01 per share; 75 million shares authorized; shares issued: 28,336,802 shares in 1989 and 28,381,052 shares in 1990	283,811	283,368
Additional paid-in capital	93,646,979	93,648,358
Retained earnings	(23,721,630)	(13,433,320)
Cumulative translation adjustment	205,487	--
Total stockholders' investment	70,414,647	80,498,406
Total liabilities & stockholders' investment	$112,416,984	$115,470,657

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GREENWICH, CT (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - United Parcel Service (UPS) employees represented by the Teamsters union, responding to ballots mailed in early July, have ratified a three-year contract with the company. All

UPS services will continue as usual.

"We are pleased that we were able to offer a package to our people they obviously found to be fair and responsive to their needs," said UPS Chairman Kent C. Nelson. "UPS people work hard and they deserve to be compensated well."

"This is a landmark day for UPS," Nelson said. "Our people are behind us our customers are behind us and we can now get on with the business of moving the nation's packages while continuing with our international expansion."

The first order of business, according to the company, will be to contact its more than one million regular daily customers who ship 11 million packages a day through the UPS system. "We want them to know that it is business as usual at UPS," said Nelson.

Under the new contract, UPS full-time employees will earn nearly $18 per hour in two years, see substantial increases in the company's contribution to their health, welfare and pension programs, and receive a one-time cash bonus of $1,000. Part-time employees will also receive increases in wages and benefits as well as a cash bonus of $500.

United Parcel Service, based in Greenwich, Conn., is a worldwide company serving all 50 states and more than 180 countries and territories. With a volume of 2.8 billion packages in 1989, and revenues of $12.4 billion, UPS is the largest package delivery company in the world.

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#90225p4734 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SARASOTA, FL (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Omni Films International, Inc. (NASDAQ: OFII) announced today record results for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990. Net earnings reached $280,819 or 13 cents per share, compared to a loss of $150,033 or seven cents per share in the third quarter last year. Revenues were $2,032,240, an increase of 307 percent from $498,408 for the same quarter last year.

Revenues for the first nine months rose 248 percent to $7,288,063 and earnings were $1,097,670 or 49 cents per share. This compares with revenues of $2,092,241 and a net loss of $149,451 or seven cents per share for the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

Fred Hollingsworth III, president, stated, "We are pleased to continue achieving record sales, revenues and earnings in fiscal 1990. Our strong gains continue to come from contract sales and film licensing revenues

along with increased ticket sales in the company-owned Motion Master theater in Gatlinburg, Tenn. Our record contract sales backlog approaching $4 million puts us in a position to continue strong growth in revenues and earnings in fiscal 1991."

Record revenues and earnings were again attributable to the large increase in contract sales of Omni's International award-winning Motion Master and Omnivision-870 cinema systems. Omni's current fiscal year ends Sept. 30, 1990.

OMNI FILMS INTERNATIONAL, INC.
OPERATING RESULTS
June 30

QUARTER ENDED JUNE 30:	1990	1989	Increase
Gross Revenue	$2,032,240	$498,408	307 pct.
Net Earnings	280,819	(150,033)	
Net Earnings per share	0.13	(0.07)	
Average Shares outstanding	2,243,322	2,243,322	
NINE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30:			
Gross Revenue	$7,288,063	$2,092,241	248 pct.
Net Earnings	1,097,670	(149,451)	
Net Earnings per share	0.49	(0.07)	
Average Shares outstanding	2,243,322	2,143,597	

Omni Films International specializes in the design and sale of advanced 70mm wide screen cinema entertainment systems. Omni also produces, distributes and licenses 70mm films for these systems. Omni is traded on the NASDAQ system under the symbol OFII.

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#90225p4739 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Cabot Corporation (NYSE: CBT) approved a quarterly dividend of 26 cents per share payable Sept. 7, 1990 to stockholders of record on Aug. 24, 1990.

Cabot previously paid a quarterly dividend of 26 cents per share on June 8 1990.

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#90225p4740 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Reginald F. Lewis, chairman and CEO of

TLC Beatrice International Holdings, Inc., today announced strong increases in second quarter and first half consolidated revenues, operating profits and income from continuing operations. Operating profits increased 26 percent in the second quarter to $33.4 million compared to $26.5 million for the same period in 1989. Strong results were recorded at both of the company's business segments -- food distribution and grocery products. Overall results were also aided by the favorable impact of currencies strengthening against the dollar.

Net sales of $403.7 million were up 26 percent as compared to the $320.5 million reported in the second quarter of 1989. Net income from continuing operations (before preferred stock dividends) of $17.5 million was nearly double the $8.8 million earned in the same period in 1989.

For the first half of the year, the company's operating profits were $37.2 million, up 31 percent from the $28.4 million reported in 1989. Net sales for the six month period were $714.1 million, up 26 percent over the $568.8 million recorded in 1989. Net income from continuing operations (before preferred dividends) for the six month period was $17.6 million, up nearly $11.0 million over the comparable period in 1989.

"All of our major businesses and managers continue to perform well," Lewis said.

TLC Beatrice International is a multinational food company based in New York with operations in wholesale and retail food distribution in France and the manufacture and marketing of ice cream, processed snacks and other grocery products throughout Western Europe. The company is comprised of 20 operating units, doing business in 25 countries principally in Western Europe. Many of these units hold significant market share positions within their respective markets.

Acquired in December 1987 for $985 million, TLC Beatrice International retired all of its high yield debt in 1989.

TLC BEATRICE INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS
Summary Consolidated Statement of Income
(Unaudited -- In thousands except per share data)

	Quarter		Six Months	
Periods ended June 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$403,716	$320,508	$714,090	$568,827
Operating income	33,372	26,484	37,215	28,359
Interest (expense) net	(3,097)	(8,302)	(6,573)	(12,394)
Other income	283	178	358	235
Inc. tax (expense) benef.	(9,519)	(6,087)	(9,652)	(5,941)
Minority interest (expense)	(3,541)	(3,517)	(3,717)	(3,515)
Inc. from continuing oper.	17,498	8,756	17,631	6,744
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per common share (A)	1.54	.69	1.31	.29
Weighted aver. number of shares outstanding	9,718	9,744	9,718	9,747
Preferred stock dividends	2,546	2,055	4,875	3,980

(A) -- Adjusted for preferred stock dividends.

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#90225p4746 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Teradata (NASDAQ: TDAT) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Kenneth W. Simonds announced today two executive promotions for the corporation.

Donald C. Cantor has been promoted to chief operating officer in addition to this position as executive vice president. Cantor joined Teradata in October 1986 as vice president of U.S. Field Operations, and was named senior vice president of Worldwide Field Operations and Marketing in February 1988. He was promoted to executive vice president in February 1989.

Michael F.G. Ashby has been promoted to senior vice president of Finance and Administration. Ashby joined Teradata in 1987 as International Controller and was named vice president of Finance and Administration in January 1989.

According to Simonds, "Don Cantor has done an outstanding job in setting the course for Teradata's worldwide operations.

"In addition," Simonds said, "Michael Ashby has been instrumental in the financial positioning of Teradata during our phenomenal growth."

Both appointments were made at Teradata's quarterly board of directors meeting held Aug. 3 and 4 in Dublin, Ireland.

Los Angeles-based Teradata designs, manufactures and markets high performance systems and related products and services for relational database management.

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#90225p4748 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - ULTIMAP INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION (NASDAQ: UMAP) announced it has reached an agreement in principle with Hennepin County, Minn. (the County) to purchase the County's interest in

the software and trademark license which ULTIMAP holds from the County. The agreement in principle provides that ULTIMAP will pay the County the sum of $2,000,000 in a combination of cash and notes maturing over three years and will pay the County a further sum calculated as 10 percent of pretax net profits over five years, not exceeding an additional $2,000,000. ULTIMAP will also grant the County warrants, expiring 78 months after closing to purchase 500,000 shares of common stock at a price of $4.00 per share. The agreement in principle is subject to negotiations of a definitive document, the approvals of the County and ULTIMAP, and to closing by Oct. 8, 1990.

ULTIMAP INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION, through a subsidiary, ULTIMAP Corporation markets the UltiMap system, a unique software system that fully integrates Automated Mapping and Facilities Management (AM/FM), Geographic Information Systems (GIS), and Computer-Aided Design and Drafting (CADD). The Ultimap System was originally developed and proven by Hennepin County, Minn., and the city of Minneapolis and is now marketed under license from the County and supported worldwide by ULTIMAP CORPORATION, a Minneapolis-based company specializing in providing geographical information management products and services.

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#90225p4749 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAUKEGAN, IL (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Outboard Marine Corp. (OMC) (NYSE: OM) today announced that its Australian subsidiary, Outboard Marine Corp. (Australia) Pty. Ltd., has purchased certain assets of a privately held Australian boat manufacturer, Irisbowl Pty. Ltd. Headquartered in Yatala, Queensland, Australia, Irisbowl manufactures Haines Hunter brand boats.

The Haines Hunter product line includes fiberglass fishing, runabout and utility boats ranging from 15 to 23 feet in length. OMC said the boats are outboard powered and could be equipped with OMC's Johnson (R) and Evinrude (R) outboard motors for sale as factory rigged boat-and- motor packages.

"We aim to be the company that takes the world boating," said OMC President and Chief Executive Officer James C. Chapman. "We are competing in the marine products marketplace on a worldwide basis, and this acquisition will support our global strategy," he said.

"The Haines Hunter boat brand is well known by Australian boaters," Chapman said. "In the longer term," he added, "we may expand sales of these boats, matched with our outboards, into export markets in the Pacific Rim."

OMC said it acquired Irisbowl's existing inventory of Haines Hunter boats as well as the company's manufacturing plant in Yatala. Manufacturing operations will continue at the Yatala location.

According to OMC, the company will be organized as a division of OMC Australia, which is part of OMC's International Group headed by OMC Vice President and International Group President Dennis L. Jacobson. The Australian boat manufacturer is the third boat company outside the U.S. to be acquired by OMC.

Outboard Marine Corp. is a leading international marketer of marine engines, boats, accessories and services.

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#90225p4750 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Bow Valley Industries Ltd. (Toronto, Montreal: BVI) announced today that Jerry R. Wright will join the company as president and chief operating officer. Wright will report to Daryl K. Seaman, chief executive officer of Bow Valley. Wright is succeeding William H. Tye who will be retiring after a short transition period having served 10 years with Bow Valley.

Wright, age 55, was formerly executive vice-president and chief operating officer of Canadian Occidental Petroleum. Wright's six-year tenure with Occidental involved extensive exploration and production activities in Canada, Europe and Africa. Prior to this, Wright was with Cities Service for 20 years in various managerial positions involving international exploration and production, and planning and economics.

Wright is a petroleum engineering graduate of the New Mexico School of Mines.

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#90225p4752 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Medcross, Inc. (NASDAQ: MDCR) President Robert M. Irvin, today said, "The many steps we have taken during the past six months are beginning to pay off. We have greatly reduced expenses while creating new business opportunities."

Medcross, Inc. today reported a net profit of $14,393 or $.002 per share for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 compared to a loss of $92,745

or $.018 per share for the same quarter in 1989. Revenues for the second quarter of 1990 were $978,531 compared to $1,049,596 for the same quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $1,891,721 compared to $2,213,229 for the same six-month period of 1989. Medcross realized a net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990 of $13,510 or $.002 per share compared to a net loss of $77,473 or $.015 per share in the comparable 1989 period.

Irvin went on to say, "The status of gallstone lithotripsy is still uncertain. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has not yet indicated what steps will be necessary for the lithotripsy manufacturers to receive approval to sell their products to us and other lithotripsy customers. We are confident that once FDA approval is received, Medcross will be in an even stronger position to be a major provider of lithotripsy services. Most prospective users have indicated that they will want service on a shared, mobile basis instead of purchasing their own in-house system. Mobile lithotripsy is more cost effective.

"We cannot afford to sit and wait for FDA approval of gallstone lithotripsy. We are moving forward in other areas to increase the company's revenues and profits. We are marketing our mobile magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) partnership and hope to be in operation before the end of the year. We also intend to have a new mobile kidney lithotripsy program in operation by year end. Both of these projects look very favorable and should greatly increase the company's profits.

"We are actively pursuing acquisitions of other companies. Our goal is to make at least one profitable acquisition before year end."

Medcross provides management services to healthcare ventures and consulting services to hospitals, clinics and healthcare professionals. The businesses that Medcross owns and/or operates include mobile and fixed-based computerized tomography, mobile and fixed-based kidney lithotripsy, mobile gallstone lithotripsy, and mobile ultrasound services.

MEDCROSS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED OPERATING RESULTS
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Operating Revenues	$ 978,531	$1,049,596	$1,891,721	$2,213,229
Income (loss) before minority interest in net income (loss) of				

consolidated subsidiaries and income taxes	$103,953	$ (37,320)	$ 143,328	$ 18,865
Minority interest in net income (loss) of consolidated subsidiaries	89,560	61,860	156,838	96,338
Income (loss) before income taxes	14,393	(99,180)	(13,510)	(77,473)
Income taxes	--	(6,435)	--	--
Net income (loss)	$ 14,393	$ (92,745)	$ (13,510)	$ (77,473)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	8,487,500	5,237,500	8,487,500	5,237,500
Earnings (loss) per common share	$ .002	$ (.018)	$ (.002)	$ (.015)

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#90225p4755 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

EVANSTON, IL (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Citibank and the National Lekotek Center (NLC) have launched a joint venture to develop resource centers in three Latin American countries for families of children with disabilities. With the opening of the first Lekotek Center in Argentina, Citibank is providing $150,000 over three years to allow Lekotek to start up centers in Argentina, Brazil and Ecuador.

Four years ago, Citibank helped Lekotek develop its United States network of services for children with disabilities. Now Citibank is making it a priority to build these same services for families in Latin America. On Tuesday, Aug. 8, Citibank's Chairman, John Reed was present for the opening of the Lekotek site in Buenos Aires. Reed, addressing a gathering of Argentine officials and Citibank and Lekotek representatives said, "As an international bank, Citibank recognizes that there are certain needs in society that exist in every part of the world. We'd like to be involved not only in economic investments, but in social investments as well. It's very important for the Citibank family, and we have participated in similar projects around the world."

The National Lekotek Center, headquartered in Evanston, Ill., now has 52 sites in 20 states. Based on a model developed in Sweden, Lekotek provides information and support to families of children with a disability.

At the core of Lekotek services is play modelling. "Play is the way all children learn and the natural way that parents and children relate. Play is especially critical for a child with a disability if he is to reach his

fullest potential," said Marilyn Lederer, acting executive director of the National Lekotek Center.

In monthly sessions, specially trained professionals demonstrate play techniques to family members. Using conventional toys and games -- and some that are especially adapted for children with physical or cognitive impairments -- play is used to encourage acceptance of the child and his abilities by family members.

In 1986, Citibank granted the largest, single private donation to NLC to create 13 new sites in the United States. Now in an unprecedented move, Citibank is providing a new major donation to help meet some of the critical needs of families in Latin American countries. Lekotek will set up each of the sites (in Buenos Aires, Sao Paulo and Quito) and provide the training of Lekotek leaders, offer advice on the inventory of toys for each site, and suggest methods of recruitment of families for each program.

After the technical assistance stage, the Citibank branch in each city will support the actual operation of the site for a three-year period. During that time, NLC will provide evaluation and support of each site.

Citibank is the nation's largest commercial bank with assets totalling $230 billion. It has more than 1,000 offices in 43 states and more than 2,000 additional offices in 89 countries around the world. In 1989 Citibank gave $22 million for education, health and human services, community development, and cultural programs worldwide.

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#90225p4756 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Fluor Daniel announced today that it has been awarded a contract by Vancouver-based Westcoast Energy Inc. Fluor Daniel's contract value is approximately $10 million.

Fluor Daniel's Hydrocarbon Sector will provide process design, detailed engineering and procurement for expansion of a gas processing facility near Fort St. John, in northeast British Columbia. The scope of work includes debottlenecking existing units to increase raw gas processing capacity from 575-million-cubic-feet- per-day to 680-million-cubic-feet-per-day. An additional sulfur recovery unit will be added reducing sulfur emissions to the atmosphere by approximately one half. Engineering is under way in Fluor Daniel's Calgary office with project completion scheduled for late 1991.

Westcoast Energy Inc. explores for and produces, processes, transports and

distributes natural gas for Canadian and U.S. markets.

Fluor Daniel Inc., Fluor Corp.'s (NYSE: FLR) principal subsidiary, is an international engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services company with more than 50 offices around the world.

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#90225p4758 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Craig Corp. (NYSE, PSE: CRG, CRGPR) announced today that three-month earnings for the period ended June 30, 1990, were $3,859,000 or $0.67 per share. For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, Craig's earnings were $6,769,000 or $1.36 per share.

The earnings for the company's 1989 third quarter included a one- time gain on the sale of investment property of $2,426,000. Craig reported 1989 three month and nine-month earnings of $4,819,000. ($1.08 per share) and $7,667,000 ($1.77 per share), respectively. Excluding this asset sale, Craig's earnings for the three and nine- month periods in 1989 were $2,393,000 or $.053 per share and $5,241,000 or $1.21 per share.

In announcing earnings, Edward L. Kane, president stated: "I am pleased to note that Craig's share of earnings from the operations of our affiliates continued their pattern of consistent growth. Our earnings from affiliates increased during the three and nine-month periods from $1,449,000 and $5,065,000 in 1989 to $3,330,000 and $6,188,000 in 1990. These results reflect successful performances at Stater Bros. Holdings Inc. and Reading Company, the two companies whose earnings are reflected in Craig's income statements."

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#90225p4759 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Fluor Daniel announced today that it has been awarded a contract by Mobil Oil Corp. The project is valued at approximately $12 million.

Fluor Daniel's Hydrocarbon Sector will provide engineering, procurement and construction management services for a 500-gallon- per-minute sour water stripper tower at the Chalmette, La., refinery located approximately five miles southeast of New Orleans.

Engineering in under way in Fluor Daniel's Houston offices with project

completion scheduled for mid-1991. The sour water stripper will remove pollutants, such as sulfur, from the refinery's process water stream. The water is then run through the facility's existing waste-water treatment system.

Fluor Daniel Inc., Fluor Corp.'s (NYSE: FLR) principal subsidiary, is an international engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services company with more than 50 offices around the world.

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#90225p4761 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines said customers can beat the industry-wide fare increases for fall travel by buying a seat at Eastern's "beat the increase" price by Aug. 29. The new fares range from $69 to $139 each way, for travel from Sept. 5 through Dec. 16.

"For a limited period we're offering fares well below current prices at a time when most fares are increasing," said George Brennan, senior vice president-marketing. "Now is the time to lock in a low fare with Eastern for travel during the fall season."

Brennan said previously announced fuel-related fare increases will not apply to these fall sale prices. The fall fares are good for travel to all of the airline's 62 domestic destinations.

Eastern said most of the roundtrip fares are based on a mileage formula: Trips less than 300 miles are $138; 301 to 1,260 miles, $158; 1,261 to 1,800 miles, $218; and more than 1,801 miles $278. Fares may be $20 more each way in certain markets during peak travel times. Off-peak travel rates are available noon Monday through noon Thursday and all day Saturday.

Eastern said all tickets must be purchased by Aug. 29, but remain fully refundable, without penalty. A Saturday night stay is required and the fall sale rates are not available during the peak Thanksgiving holiday period, Nov. 21 and 25-26.

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#90225p4768 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OH (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Foster Airdata Systems, a unit of BFGoodrich Aerospace, has been awarded a $700,000 contract for the

fabrication, installation and in-service evaluation of a Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance System for commuter and general aviation aircraft (TCAS-I). The award was made by ARINC Research, of Annapolis, Md., the TCAS-I contract administrator for the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), following open competition. Federal Regulations mandate installation of a TCAS-I system in all commercial aircraft of 30 or fewer seats, by February 1995. Regulations covering phased installation of TCAS-II for larger commercial aircraft are already in effect.

Foster will install six prototype TCAS-I units in selected commuter airline turboprop and jet aircraft for an operational evaluation lasting for one year and 8000 hours of flight time. The evaluation will begin in about 12 months. ARINC will monitor the progress.

Foster Airdata Systems, based in Columbus, Ohio, specializes in avionics and aircraft navigation systems, including LORAN, DME, TACAN, navigation computers and worldwide navigation databases.

BFGoodrich Aerospace, a diversified supplier of aerospace products and services, is a division of The BFGoodrich Company (NYSE: GR) Both are headquartered in Akron, Ohio.

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#90225p4769 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines today reported that in July, its traffic rose 1.4 percent to 3.9 billion revenue passenger miles (RPMs). Continental said it flew 5.9 billion available seat miles (ASMs) for a load factor of 66.9 percent.

Year-to-date, Continental's load factor is 60.6 percent, which is .2 points ahead of the 1989 level. In the January-July period, Continental flew 22.6 billion RPMs and 37.2 billion ASMs.

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES
Preliminary Systemwide Traffic Results

	1990	1989	CHANGE
JULY			
RPMS(000)	3,916,045	3,861,330	+1.4 percent
ASMS(000)	5,851,577	5,675,007	+3.1 percent
L.F.	66.9 percent	68.0 percent	-1.1 points
YEAR-TO-DATE			
RPMS(000)	22,564,414	22,483,886	+0.4 percent
ASMS(000)	37,227,936	37,245,179	No Change
L.F.	60.6 percent	60.4 percent	+0.2 points

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#90225p4770 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Wetterau Properties Inc. (NASDAQ: WTPR) reported improved financial results for the second quarter and first six months of the real estate investment trust company's 1990 fiscal year, it was announced today by Robert K. Crutsinger, chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, Wetterau Properties announced revenues of $2,918,000, an increase of 51.3 percent compared with revenues of $1,928,000 for the same period the prior year. Net earnings reached $302,000, an increase of 45.2 percent compared with earnings of $208,000 the previous year. Earnings per common share for the quarter were 21 cents, an increase of 50 percent compared with earnings per share of 14 cents the year before.

For the first six months of the year, the company reported revenues of $5,271,000, an increase of 65.9 percent compared with revenues of $3,178,000 for the same period the prior year. Net earnings reached $568,000, an increase of 36.9 percent compared with earnings of $415,000 the previous year. Earnings per common share were 40 cents, an increase of 42.9 percent compared with earnings per share of 28 cents the year before.

In announcing the results, Crutsinger stated, "The management and directors of Wetterau Properties are highly pleased with the company's record results for the first half of fiscal 1990."

Wetterau Properties (WTPR), a real estate investment trust company traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, currently owns a total of 29 properties representing 3.5 million square feet of space.

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DENVER (AUG. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Altex Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: ALTX) reported today its results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990. The company had a net loss of $24,000 on revenues of $165,000, for a loss per share of zero cents. For the quarter ended June 30, 1989, the company had a net loss of $84,000 on revenues of $154,000, for a loss per share of 1 cent. For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, the company had net earnings of $1,000 on revenues of $529,000, for a gain per share of zero cents. For the nine months ended June 30, 1989, the company had a net

loss of $213,000 on revenues of $421,000, for a loss per share of 1 cent.

ALTEX INDUSTRIES INC.

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Nine Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$165,000	$154,000	$529,000	$421,000
Net earnings (loss)	$(24,000)	$(84,000)	$1,000	$(213,000)
Net earnings (loss) per share	$(.00)	$.01	$.00	$(.01)

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - BankAtlantic (NASDAQ-NMS: ASAL), as part of its continuing commitment to expand its retail banking business, has introduced a new, "bundled" tiered savings/checking account that offers one of the highest money-market yields in the nation for large balances.

The tiered structure yields a return of 8.33 percent for balances in the plan's highest tier, 7.79 percent and 7.25 percent for mid-size balances, and 6.45 percent and 5.65 percent for balances in the two lower tiers. The plan combines money-market checking, several discounted or free bank services, and a number of other features with the tiered savings structure.

The interest rate increases on the savings balance as the balance moves up from one tier to the next. The higher the balance, the higher the return. Moreover, as customers add increments to move from one tier to the next, they can earn very high rates on the incremental additions. For example, by adding $1,000 to a $9,000 balance, the extra interest on the $1,000 increment will be at a rate of 14.5 percent.

"We have carefully constructed this full-service retail banking package to make it very compelling for people to come to BankAtlantic to take advantage of the package's high-yield savings, money-market checking, discounted consumer loans and host of other services," said John O'Neill, BankAtlantic's executive vice president-Community Banking.

"Our goal is simple and straightforward: we want to increase substantially the number of customers who utilize BankAtlantic as their primary banking institution," O'Neill explained. "And we're doing this by delivering a complete package of banking products that people have told us they want and that they can't find elsewhere."

The new account combines money-market checking with a tiered interest-rate

structure that O'Neill said is "very attractive" in comparison to other money market funds in the South Florida region and nationally. The following tables shows the rate and annual yield for the plan's varying balance tiers. Interest is compounded daily.

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TORONTO (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Rayrock Yellowknife Resources Inc. (TSE: RAY) announced today that net earnings for the period ended June 30, 1990, were $1,654,000 or $0.16 per share compared with $3,111,000 or $0.32 per share in 1989.

The decline in earnings resulted from higher exploration and depreciation expenses. Funds provided by operations were $3,914,000 or $0.40 per share for 1990 compared to $6,120,000 or $0.63 per share during 1989.

Total revenue was $36.7 million, an increase from $28.9 million in 1989, as a result of higher sales volumes from both the agricultural mineral and gold mining businesses. Western Ag-Mineral's sales volume was 23 percent higher in the first half of 1990 compared with the same period last year due mainly to sales that were deferred from the fourth quarter of 1989, as well as increased export demand.

On a July 1989 to June 1990 fertilizer year basis, record sales were achieved by Western Ag. Rayrock's share of gold production increased 53 percent to 23,779 ounces at an average price of US$401 per ounce in 1990 compared with 15,566 ounces at US$417 in 1989.

The increase in the company's pro rata gold production is due to the inclusion of production from the new Marigold gold mine and from the additional interest in the Dee mine acquired last October.

Ore mined at the Dee gold mine remained below reserve grade during the first half of 1990. Tonnages mined and milled increased to partially offset this lower production, resulting in higher operating costs. Some improvement is anticipated; however, grades will remain below budget for the remainder of the year.

Rayrock's composite direct cash operating cost averaged US$243 per ounce of gold compared with US$202 per ounce in 1989. Depreciation costs were approximately $1.2 million higher.

As a result of increased exploration activities, Rayrock's exploration expenses were $1.3 million in 1990 compared to $800,000 during the same

period in 1989.

At the Stonehouse gold deposit located on the Marigold property, the initial 150-hole exploration drilling program has been completed. A number of mineralized zones have been outlined in an area 3,000 feet by 1,000 feet based on widely spaced drilling.

This deposit remains open to the east and the south and at depth. An infill drilling program is currently in progress and applications for stripping permits have been made in order to obtain additional geological information from test mining. It is still too early to calculate reserves at this discovery.

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#90225p4778 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

RED BANK, N.J. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - De Tomaso Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: DTOM) reported results today for the second quarter and first half of 1990. The company and its consolidated subsidiaries had a net loss of $3,291,803 or $(1.60) per common share for the three months ended June 30, 1990, on sales of $72,763,934, as compared with a net loss of $18,852 or ($0.01) per share on sales of $106,853,279 in the second quarter of 1989. For the six month period ended June 30, 1990, the company and its consolidated subsidiaries had net income of $51,301,639 or $16.78 per common share on sales of $174,147,541. This compares with a net loss of $4,363,115, equal to ($2.12) per share on sales of $187,569,672 for the first half of 1989.

Alejandro De Tomaso, President of De Tomaso Industries, said, "We are pleased with the progress of the production launch of the 'Panda' for Fiat which will have a favorable impact on third quarter operations. However, the third quarter as a whole will be weak due to the suspension of all Italian operations during the August holidays in that country."

De Tomaso Industries, through its consolidated Italian subsidiaries, manufacures Moto Guzzi and Benelli motorcycles, Innocenti minicars and Maserati luxury cars. Through its Maserati Automobiles Incorporated subsidiary, the Company imports Maserati Automobiles and Moto Guzzi and Benelli motorcycles into the United States.

DE TOMASO INDUSTRIES, INC.

Operating Highlights (Unaudited)

For the three months ended June 30,

1990	1989	1990	1989
(Expressed in Millions Italian		(Expressed in thousands of	

	Lire except net per share)		U.S. Dollars)(a)	
Net Sales	Lit. 88,772	Lit. 130,361	$72,763,934	$106,853,279
Cost and Expenses including minority interests	Lit. 92,788	Lit. 130,384	$76,055,737	$106,872,131
Net Income (loss)	Lit. (4,016)	(23)	$(3,291,803)	$ (18,852)
Net Income (loss) per share(b)	Lit. (1,952)	(11)	$ (1.60)	$ (.01)
For the six months ended June 30,				
Net Sales	Lit. 212,460	Lit. 228,835	$174,147,541	$187,569,672
Cost and Expenses including minority interest, net of gain on sale of stock of subsidiary	Lit. 149,872	Lit. 234,158	$122,845,902	$191,932,787
Net Income (loss)	Lit. 62,588	(5,323)	$ 51,301,639	$(4,363,115)
Net Income (loss)	Lit. 20,471	(2,587)	$ 16.78	$ (2.12)

(a) Translated in U.S. dollar equivalents at the exchange rate prevailing at June 30, 1990. The U.S. dollar equivalent amounts are included solely for the convenience of the shareholders of De Tomaso Industries, Inc. It should not be construed that the assets and liabilities, expressed in U.S. dollar equivalents, can actually be realized in or extinguished by U.S. dollars at the exchange rates used in the accompanying translation because of fluctuations in the rate of exchange.

(b) Net income (loss) per share for the six months ended June 30, 1990 is computed on the number of shares of common stock equivalent outstanding at all times during such period. Net loss per share for the six months ended June 30, 1989 and the three months ended June 30, 1990 is computed on the number of shares of common stock outstanding, and without regard to the preferred stock outstanding because to do so would be anti-dilutive.

CONTACT: Charles W. Kouns of the Martin Agency, 804-254-1607, for De Tomaso Industries, Inc., or Howard E. Chase of De Tomaso Industries, Inc., 212-735-8600

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GEORGE TOWN, GRAND CAYMAN, BRITISH WEST INDIES (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Florida Employers Insurance Company (NASDAQ-NMS: FLAEF) regretfully

announces that one of its directors, Eldon R. Lindsey, passed away on Saturday, Aug. 11, 1990. Lindsey had been a director of the company since March 12, 1990.

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#90225p4783 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Aug. 10, 1990. All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields
(30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago
Conventional			
15-Year FRM	9.64	9.35	9.64
30-Year FRM	9.92	9.69	10.00
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	10.17	9.94	10.25
10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.			
Second Mortgages	9.760	9.550	9.740

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term) Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct	6 pct	8.95	8.75	9.35	2.000 pct
1 (FHA)	1 pct	5 pct	9.20	9.00	9.60	2.000 pct
1(A)	2 pct	6 pct	7.90	7.75	8.40	2.250 pct
6 mos(A) (COF)(B)	1 pct	5 pct	8.00	7.85	8.55	2.125 pct

(A) Rate reduction.
(B) New 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM.
Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs.

LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
July 30, 1990	8.063	8.047	8.047	8.109
June 28, 1990	8.328	8.375	8.438	8.500

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending	Year to	Previous Year to

	8/10/90	Date	Date
Commitments to Purchase(C)	612.0	14,002.3	12,385.8
Purchases	408.9	13,795.7	10,485.6
MBS Issued	893.0	56,350.7	34,015.8

(C) - Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

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#90225p4787 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CALIF. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - A new vice president- deputy general manager for the U.S. Air Force-McDonnell Douglas C-17 program has been announced by Douglas Aircraft Company.

David A. Little, previously general manager, C-17 production, replaces Jack Hayden, who assumed new duties as vice president- deputy general manager for fiscal management and support.

Little will concentrate on operations, and will join C-17 vice president-deputy general manager Len Impellizzeri, who concentrates on technical aspects of the C-17 program.

Little began his career in 1970 at Lockheed Corporation. He then held management positions at Rockwell Corporation before coming to Douglas Aircraft as director of assembly in 1988. In 1989, he was named general manager C-17 production.

Hayden came to Douglas Aircraft in 1968 and has held various management positions in production operations, planning and program management, including serving as vice president-deputy general manager on the MD-80 program.

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#90225p4789 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Devon Energy Corp. (AMEX: DVN) today reported an increase in earnings for the second quarter and first half of 1990. Net income for the second quarter of 1990 rose to $63,000, compared with a loss of $100,000 for the 1989 second quarter. However, on a per common share basis the company reported a net loss of $(0.06) per share versus $(0.01) for the second quarter. The difference in absolute versus per share comparative results was due to preferred stock dividends payable in the 1990 period but not in the 1989 period.

Net income for the first half of 1990 rose to $335,000, versus a loss of $(263,000) for the same period in 1989. On a per common share basis, a net loss of $(0.10) was reported for the first six months of 1990 after payment of preferred stock dividends. This compares with a loss of $(0.03) for the first half of 1989, when no preferred dividends were due.

Decreases in every category of expense for 1990 more than offset a decline in total revenues for both the second quarter and first half of 1990, resulting in the improved earnings. Revenue declines from $7.4 million to $5.7 million, or 23 percent, in the second quarter, and from $14.7 million to $12.5 million, or 14 percent, in the first half were primarily due to decreases in both oil production and the average oil price. Most of the remaining decrease was the result of a $522,000 settlement of a gas contract claim in the 1989 second quarter which did not recur in 1990.

Total assets increased over 20 percent to $118.4 million, compared to $97.9 million at year-end 1989. A $7.4-million acquisition of certain Texas properties in the first quarter of 1990 and a $7.2 million acquisition of additional interests in the Northeast Bianco Unit of New Mexico provided most of the advance in total assets. These acquisitions also raised the company's natural gas reserves by 34.4 billion cubic feet.

Devon Energy Corp. is an independent energy company engaged primarily in oil and gas producing property acquisitions, exploration and production activities, and oil and natural gas remarketing.

DEVON ENERGY CORP.

Periods Ended	Quarter			Six Months		
June 30	1990	1989	Percent Change	1990	1989	Percent Change
Total revenue	$5,748,000	$7,444,000	(23)	$12,546,000	$14,673,000	(14)
Operating income	1,558,000	1,594,000	(2)	3,529,000	3,378,000	4
Net income (loss)	63,000	(100,000)	163	335,000	(263,000)	227
Preferred stock dividends	$ 582,000	--	NM	$ 1,164,000	--	NM
Net income (loss) per common share	$(0.06)	$(0.01)	(500)	$(0.10)	$(0.03)	(233)
Weighted average shares outstanding	8,629,100	8,587,357	NM	8,625,054	8,585,672	NM
PRODUCTION DATA:						
Oil (Bbls)	134,000	169,000	(21)	271,000	354,000	(23)
Gas (Mcf)	1,777,000	1,931,000	(8)	3,807,000	3,979,000	(4)

BALANCE SHEET DATA:	3/31/90	12/31/89	Percent Change
Current Assets	$ 18,007,000	$11,081,000	63
Total assets	118,399,000	97,916,000	21
Current liabilities	13,664,000	7,300,000	87
Long-term debt	25,000,000	9,500,000	163
Deferred taxes	6,005,000	5,889,000	2
Other liabilities	4,267,000	5,071,000	(16)
Stockholders' equity	69,463,000	70,156,000	(1)

CONTACT: Marian Moon of Devon Energy Corporate Communications, 405-235-3611, Gary Strong or Nick Farina, 312-266-7800, or Kathy Phelan 212-661-8030, all of the Financial Relations Board, for Devon Energy

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#90225p4796 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEXINGTON, KY (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Kentucky Central Life Insurance Company (NASDAQ: KENCA) posted net income of $13.7 million for the first six months of 1990, equal to $1.01 per share.

The announcement was made today by W.E. Burnett, Jr., chairman of the board and president of the 87-year-old Lexington-based insurer.

Net income for the corresponding period in 1989 was $19.7 million, equal to $1.45 per share.

The company showed an increase in revenue for the period. This was offset however, by higher than anticipated expenses, particularly in benefits paid on life and claims paid on property and casualty policies. Operations of subsidiary companies adversely affected the six-month results; a severe freeze at the citrus groves and, following a national trend, a decline in advertising revenue of the broadcasting properties.

For the three-month period ended June 30, net income was $5.9 million, equal to 43 cents per share. Net income for the same period a year ago was $13.2 million, equal to 97 cents per share.

Growth of life insurance in force continued at a steady pace. The goal of $50 billion of life insurance in force was reached in the first quarter of the year and the total was $52.6 billion at the end of the second quarter. This represented an increase of $8.5 billion, or 19 percent, over the $44.1 billion in force at mid-year 1989.

Life insurance sales for the first six months of 1990 amounted to $8.4 billion, with $4.1 billion coming in the second quarter.

Total revenue for the first six months of 1990 was $236.8 million, compared

to $206.8 million for the first half of 1989, an increase of 15 percent.

Revenue by category for the first six months was as follows: Insurance premiums, $93.7 million, up 24 percent. Policy charges from Universal Life and other investment contracts, $39.5 million, up 21 percent.

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#90225p4797 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - ProLine(TM), a family of server-based tape backup and optical disk subsystems specifically designed for Novell networks, was unveiled today by Tecmar.

Each ProLine system is a complete solution consisting of a high capacity Tecmar drive, SCSI interface board, NetWare-optimized ProServe(TM) software, storage media, and all necessary cabling.

Unlike most LAN backup systems, ProLine attaches directly to the central file server, rather than to a dedicated workstation on the network. As a result, backup operations are faster because server data does not have to travel across the network.

According to Tecmar, ProLine is the first complete LAN backup system that allows industry standard tape and optical disk drives to operate at their maximum performance levels within a network environment. Data transfer rates as high as 14.4 MB per minute are possible with the ProLine 2200 8mm tape drive.

The key to achieving such performance lies in the architecture of ProServe, ProLine's powerful network management software. Tightly integrated into the Novell environment, ProServe functions as a Novell-certified Value-Added Process (VAP) under NetWare 286 and as a Network-Loadable Module (NLM) under NetWare 386. This allows the Novell LAN administrator to run ProServe concurrently with other Novell software and perform network backup as a background operation.

The ProServe software allows all backup operations to be stored in a queue that is defined, controlled, and prioritized by the supervisor, resulting in greater network data security.

Other features of the ProServe software include database management of tapes and backup data, generation of reports from a transaction database, and the ability to maintain a log of workstation and server tape operations.

ProServe also provides job scheduling, so that any backup session can be scheduled and assigned a place in a priority queue. Job scripts may be created, stored, and re-used for common backup sequences. Both DOS and Macintosh files may be backed up on the same ProLine system.

Available immediately, Tecmar is offering ProLine in a variety of storage configurations: 250MB or 525MB quarter-inch tape drives, 1.3GB 4mm DAT tape drive, 2.2GB 8mm helical scan tape drive, and 650MB erasable optical disk drive. Prices range from $2,595 to $8,495.

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#90225p4798 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE HAVEN, PA. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Electronics, Missiles & Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: ECIN) today announced the results of its first quarter of fiscal 1990 as follows:

Quarters ended	Fiscal 1991 June 1990	Fiscal 1990 June 1989
Net sales	$1,618,136	$2,499,943
Net income (loss)	(152,341)	234,265(A)
Earnings per common share:		
Continuing operations	($.04)	$.04
Extraordinary item	--	.02(A)
Net income (loss) per common share	(.04)	.06

(A) An extraordinary tax benefit of $79,000 is included in net income for fiscal 1990.

During the first quarter, sales were down due to a soft economy, and the fact that no major contracts were included. On the up side, the gross profit as a percentage of sales remains constant at 29 percent. With the anticipated increase in sales volume, profitability will return.

Company management projected a potential loss in the first quarter based on sharp reduction in orders for April. This affected sales in May and June. In addition, a major customer postponed a significant release for production which was scheduled for June.

Order backlog is up from $2.5 million in April '90 to more than $3 million by the end of June '90. This will increase output in July and August.

Electronics, Missiles & Communications Inc., located in White Haven, is a leading manufacturer of television transmission equipment. Its stock is

traded Over-the-Counter on the NASDAQ system; ticker symbol ECIN.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Morton International announced today it has reached an agreement with Locals 240 and 195 of the Canadian Automobile Workers to end the six-month strike at the company's salt operations in Ojibway and Windsor, Ontario. The agreement was ratified by the members of both locals. The Ojibway salt mine and Windsor evaporation plant will resume operations starting immediately, although it may take some time to reach full production.

"We are delighted that we were able to resolve the issues and return to our primary business, supplying salt to our North American customers," said William E. Johnston, president of the Salt Group.

Morton International is a Chicago-based manufacturer and marketer of specialty chemicals, salt and automotive inflatable restraint systems.

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#90225p4800 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (Aug. 13) PR Newswire - Royce Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ: RLAB), a manufacturer of prescription and over the counter generic pharmaceuticals, today announced unaudited results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

ROYCE LABORATORIES, INC.

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$363,074	$228,985	$760,123	$618,288
Cost of products sold	182,934	92,497	364,198	310,460
Gross profit	180,140	136,488	395,925	307,828
Research and development	2,500	527,430	2,500	992,797
Selling, general and administrative expenses	300,524	269,705	563,673	545,293
Operating loss	(122,884)	(660,647)	(170,248)	(1,230,262)
Other income (expense):				
Interest income (expense), net	(19,155)	(20,050)	(41,803)	(28,754)
Miscellaneous income				

(expense)	(327)	8,294	179	11,044
	(19,482)	(11,756)	(41,624)	(17,710)
Net loss before extraordinary gain	(142,366)	(672,403)	(211,872)	(1,247,972)
Extraordinary gain:				
Settlement of indebtedness	79,818	--	85,485	--
Net loss	(62,548)	(672,403)	(126,387)	(1,247,972)
Less: Dividends on redeemable preferred stock	5,833	--	5,833	--
Net loss applicable to common stockholders	$(68,381)	$(672,403)	$(132,220)	$1,247,972
Weighted Average number of shares outstanding	7,388,115	6,210,523	7,309,189	6,231,190
Loss per share of common stock	$(.01)	$(.11)	$(.02)	$(.20)

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#90225p4801 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Barnett Banks, Inc. (NYSE: BBI) today announced that it has filed shelf registrations with the Securities and Exchange Commission for two potential securities sales.

Barnett said it has filed registration statements for $100 million in subordinated debt and $100 million in preferred stock. Proceeds from the securities sales would be used to strengthen Barnett's capital position and for other general corporate purposes.

These new registrations are in addition to an existing registration of $100 million in debt that Barnett established in 1982.

With $31 billion in assets and 592 offices in Florida and Georgia, Barnett is the leading financial institution in Florida and the 20th largest in the country. The company's stock (BBI) is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Bob Stickler, 904-791-5437 (office) or 904-396-9284 (home); or Russ Hoadley, 904-791-5013 (office) or 904-260-4658 (home), both of Barnett Banks, Inc.

-30- 1178

#90225p4802 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Texas Petroleum Holdings Inc. (NYSE: UTH) today announced that its Union Texas Petroleum Corp. subsidiary has discovered natural gas in a well drilled on East Cameron Block 246 in the Gulf of Mexico.

Located approximately 130 miles south of Lafayette, La., the East Cameron Block 246 No. 1 found 30 feet of net gas pay below 6,200 feet. Union Texas said that plans are being developed to install a platform and gas facilities to initiate production at approximately 15 million cubic feet of gas a day.

Union Texas holds a 100 percent interest in the tract, which was purchased at the May 1985 federal offshore lease sale.

One of the nation's largest independent producers, Houston-based Union Texas Petroleum Holdings Inc. (NYSE: UTH) explores for and produces oil and gas in the United States and overseas and has petrochemicals and natural gas processing interests.

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#90225p4806 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Henry D. Edelman, president of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation (Farmer Mac), announced today that the corporation received its first Pooler application Thursday, Aug. 9.

The application was submitted by Manufacturers Hanover Securities Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Manufacturers Hanover Corporation. Under its statute Farmer Mac has 60 days to review the application, but Edelman noted that he anticipates review of the application to be completed within a much shorter timeframe.

In the Farmer Mac program, all potential Poolers (Certified Facilities) must apply and be certified by Farmer Mac. The Pooler performs the central role of purchasing from other originators (or itself originating) qualified agricultural real estate or rural housing mortgage loans; forming pools of those loans; and issuing securities backed by those pools. The securities, which must be supported by at least a 10 percent reserve or subordinated interest, will be guaranteed by Farmer Mac as to timely payment of principal and interest.

CONTACT: Thomas R. Clark of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation, 202-872-7700

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DENVER (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific Software-Intercomp Inc. (NASDAQ: SSFT) today reported unaudited net income of $35,000 or $0.01 per share on revenues of $5,902,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990. This compares with net income of $197,000 or $0.05 per share on revenues of $5,666,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Dr. Robert C. McFarlane, president of the Denver-based supplier of proprietary software and consulting services to the worldwide oil and gas industry, stated that revenues for the quarter were up $236,000, or 4 percent from second quarter 1989 and up almost $1,000,000 or 19 percent from first quarter 1990. Increased software licenses and revenues from newly signed consulting contracts were the principal reasons for these increases.

McFarlane also noted that operating results were on-target with the company's operating plan which is aimed at repositioning the company's software products and consulting services from main frame computer dependence to desktop computers. During this period the company has maintained high levels of research and development expense and has introduced two major new products, the SSI Petroleum Workbench and SAMMI II. Additional expenditures have been required to build a sales force to effectively introduce these products to this marketplace.

The SSI Petroleum Workbench was formally announced and demonstrated at the recent Society of Petroleum Engineers Computer Show in June and was the hit of the show. The system is currently in beta test with three oil companies and deliveries are scheduled to begin in late September. Initial impact of this product on revenues is expected in late fourth quarter and early 1991.

McFarlane said, "SAMMI II, our human interface management system, gained acceptance by several major aerospace contractors related to America's space station, Freedom, and is under evaluation by the U.S. Air Force and European Space Agency. In addition, we have begun discussions with system integrators and other industries. Initial deliveries should commence later in the year and initial revenue impact should begin during the second half and increase through 1991."

SSI, for more than twenty years, has provided high technology software and consulting services to the oil and gas industry. The company has offices in Denver, Bakersfield, Houston, Calgary, London and Cairo.

SCIENTIFIC SOFTWARE-INTERCOMP INC.
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(Amounts in thousands except per share amounts)

(Unaudited)

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$5,902	$5,666	$10,866	$11,777
Operating expenses	$5,722	$5,385	$10,816	$11,103
Operating income	180	281	50	674
Net nonoperating costs	($47)	($85)	($93)	177
Income from continuing operations	133	196	($43)	851
Provision for income taxes	98	0	138	173
Net income (loss)	$35	$196	($181)	$678
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,252	3,764	3,759	3,706
Income (loss) per share:	$0.01	$0.05	($0.05)	$0.18

Consolidated Balance Sheet

(Amounts in thousands, except per share amounts)

(Unaudited)

	June 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Cash and cash equivalents	$491	$496
Accounts receivable	5,406	5,488
Accrued revenues	2,259	1,774
Work in progress	5,483	5,963
Other	1,238	828
Total current assets	14,877	14,549
Software	16,909	15,800
Equipment and other	2,591	2,675
Total	34,377	33,024
Accounts payable	1,175	2,112
Other current liabilities	5,368	5,671
Total current liabilities	6,543	7,783
Notes payable and other liabilities	2,352	2,487
Stockholders equity	25,482	22,754
Total	$34,377	$33,024

CONTACT: R.C. McFarlane of Scientific Software-Intercomp Inc., 303-292-1111

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - International Mobile Machines Corp. (NASDAQ: IMMCC) today announced that the company is completing

installation of Ultraphone(R) wireless digital radiotelephone systems in five locations in Mexico under a $1.64 million contract with Telefonos de Mexico S.A. de C.V. (Telmex) sold with the assistance of their representative, Rolm Telecommunicaciones S.A. de C.V.

Beginning this July, residents of the Cancun to Tulum tourist district, Cuatemoc in the state of Chihuahua, Los Cabos in the Southern Baja California Peninsula, Cuidad Juarez in the state of Chihuahua and Culuacan in Sinaloa state will have their own phones for the first time. Installation for these five sites is expected to be completed in September.

The first installation, completed the first week of July, brought service to Mennonite households in Cuatemoc. That site currently has a capacity of 120 subscribers with potential expansion into the thousands.

Currently, millions of Mexican citizens, especially in rural areas, lack phone service. Telmex estimated expenditures to rework its national infrastructure -- directed toward digitizing the network and solving the rural backlog -- at $12-$14 billion.

Telmex has standardized the IMM Ultraphone radiotelephone system as the technology of choice to serve customers who do not yet have phone service.

"We spent the past 24 months working with Telmex," said G. James Bracknell IMM's executive vice president. "We're very pleased that Telmex has standardized on the Ultraphone system to address their mounting backlog of requirements."

"Telmex is a first-class organization to work with," Bracknell said, "and we look forward to a long and rewarding future as an approved supplier to the Mexican PTT."

IMM is a world leader in wireless digital access technologies.

CONTACT: John A. Goetz, vice president of IMM, 215-278-7800

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SOUTH NORWALK, CONN. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - American Equine Products, Inc. (AEP) (OTC) announced today that it acquired Docktor Pet Centers, Inc., the largest franchiser of pet stores in the United States. Stores in the Docktor Pet Centers chain sell purebred puppies, kittens, birds, tropical fish and other small animals, as well as a broad selection of dry goods for pets. AEP currently owns ten Docktor Pet Centers franchise stores located in shopping malls in New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts.

In connection with this acquisition, the former owners of Docktor Pet Centers received shares of Series E preferred stock of AEP that may be converted into AEP common stock representing 20 percent of the equity in AEP. Each share of series E preferred stock has voting rights equivalent to the number of shares of common stock into which it is convertible. In exchange for certain payments, the former owners of Docktor Pet Centers have agreed, among other things, not to compete with Docktor Pet following the acquisition.

AEP also announced that, concurrently with the acquisition, it completed a private placement to institutional investors of approximately $3 million of its Series C and Series D redeemable preferred stock, priced at $2.50 per share. Each share of preferred stock is initially convertible into 25 shares of AEP common Stock. The 880,00 shares of Series D preferred stock have voting rights equivalent to the number of shares common stock into which they are convertible. Most of the investors participating in the private placement are holders of outstanding shares of other series of AEP preferred stock. These investors have the power to designate a majority of AEP's board members.

Of the proceeds received by AEP in the private placement, approximately $500,000 was used to reduce the balance due under a mortgage of the headquarters building of Docktor Pet Centers and will be credited against the purchase price of the building if a purchase option granted to Docktor Pet Centers is exercised. The balance of the proceeds will be used to pay transaction expenses and for working capital of AEP and Docktor Pet Centers.

In addition to its Docktor Pet Centers operations, American Equine Products manufactures and markets several lines of horse care and equine health products, including Redglo, Vetrolin and Forshner's Medicated Hoofpacking, and has the exclusive distribution rights for Hylartin V.

CONTACT: Sarason D. Liebler, chairman and CEO of American Equine Products, 203-854-6773

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ST. PAUL (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - 3M (NYSE: MMM) has announced a quarterly dividend of 73 cents a share. This is the 296th consecutive quarterly payment on 3M common stock.

Dividends are payable Sept. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 24 1990.

There were 221,970,163 common shares outstanding as of June 30, 1990. There are approximately 112,849 shareholders of record.

CONTACT: Mark Fenner of 3M, 612-733-9242

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CINCINNATI (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert J. Ready, president of LSI Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: LYTS), today reported operating results for the periods ended June 30, 1990 as follows:

(Amounts in Thousands)

	3 Months	
	1990	1989
Net Sales	$20,204	$22,123
Gross Profit	4,690	7,683
Operating (loss) Income	(1,075)	2,347
Net (loss) Income	(1,311)	1,421
Net (loss) Income Per Share	$ (.28)	$ .27
Average Shares Outstanding	4,647	4,953
	12 Months	
	1990	1989
Net Sales	$83,709	$57,395
Gross Profit	26,881	20,578
Operating (loss) Income	4,362	6,286
Net (loss) Income	1,396	3,996
Net (loss) Income Per Share	$ .29	$ .85
Average Shares Outstanding	4,745	4,588

The loss for the quarter and the net income for the year are the same as the preliminary earnings release made on Aug. 1, 1990. During the quarter ended June 30, 1990, LSI Industries continued to experience softness in its indoor/outdoor commercial lighting business. Additionally, sales of its graphics group were below prior year levels for the June quarter principally due to graphics programs of certain petroleum customers being deferred or reduced in scope. Further, Duramark Ltd., LSI's U.K. graphics subsidiary, experienced significant unexpected costs relating to entering the U.K. and European architectural graphics markets.

Correction actions are being taken by all LSI operations to speed introduction of new products, increase sales and reduce spending. To address quality and installation problems related to the European graphics program, the products for that market are being redesigned to reduce costs and better meet local market needs.

LSI board of directors is pleased to also announce that its third annual dividend of $.05 (five cents) per share will be payable on Sept. 14 to shareholders of record as of Aug. 31, 1990.

LSI designs, engineers, manufactures and markets a wide range of high-quality indoor, outdoor and landscape lighting fixtures and graphic products to retail gasoline facilities and a major supplier to the fast-food restaurant and automobile dealership markets. The company's common shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol LYTS.

CONTACT: Bob Ready of Jim Cox, 513-793-3200, both of LSI Industries Inc.

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PITTSBURGH (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Kenneth E. Leach, former vice president, administration and chief quality officer for Globe Metallurgical, a Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award winner, has announced the formation of Leach Quality Inc., it was announced today.

His new firm will conduct seminars, perform quality audits and produce training materials, all aimed at helping businesses improve quality.

As a result of Globe's winning the Malcolm Baldrige Award for Small Business in 1988, Leach has shared the Globe success story with tens of thousands of interested business people around the world, including Russia United Kingdom, Singapore, Australia and most major U.S. cities.

In making the announcement, Leach said, "The Baldrige Award is inspiring many American businesses to re-evaluate their quality efforts. As a senior examiner for the award and as a spokesperson for Globe, I am proud to have been a part of helping so many companies review and improve their quality programs.

"With such a great demand for presentations on quality improvement, it is clear that I can be more effective in spreading the quality story and helping promote the ideals of the Baldrige Award on a full-time basis through Leach Quality Inc."

His new firm, headquartered in Pittsburgh, will begin conducting one-day seminars in October that will educate companies on how to practically apply the Baldrige Award criteria to their businesses. Seminars are already scheduled in: Pittsburgh, Oct. 4; Detroit, Oct. 11; Baltimore, Oct. 18; Philadelphia, Oct. 23; Houston, Nov. 1; and Cincinnati, Nov. 8.

"Many companies have the misconception that the Baldrige Award is only for large manufacturing companies," said Leach. "In acutality, the information contained in the Baldrige application can help any sized company, large or small, manufacturing or service business, to evaluate their business in terms of quality and begin an improvement program. This is the basis for our seminars."

Leach said the firm also will produce training materials for in-plant use, as well as conduct quality audits on a consulting basis.

With Leach overseeing the implementation of the quality system, Globe has won not only the Baldrige Award, but nearly every significant U.S. quality award, including the first-ever Shigeo Shingo Prize for Manufacturing Excellence, Ford Motor Company's Total Quality Excellence (TQE) Award, General Motors Corp.'s Mark of Excellence Award, and the United States Senate Productivity Award. The firm also has been recognized for successfully passing stringent quality audits from other major customers as well.

Leach will continue working with Globe as a quality consultant.

CONTACT: Ken Leach of Leach Quality Inc., 412-471-2993; or Ralph Yearick of George Hill Co., 412-471-3700, for Leach Quality Inc.

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#90225p4832 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, Okla. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Samson Energy Co. Ltd. Partnership (AMEX: SAM) today announced its financial results for the quarter and the six months ended June 30, 1990.

THREE-MONTH FINANCIAL RESULTS Revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1990, were $3,544,000, an increase of 5 percent compared with $3,368,000 for the three months ended June 30, 1989. Cash flow from operating activities for the current quarter was $2,778,000, compared with $2,875,000 for the second quarter 1989, a decline of 3 percent. Cash flow from operating activities in both quarters includes certain payments in excess of gas sales. Based on average units outstanding, cash flow from operating activities for the second quarter of 1990 was 62 cents per unit, compared with 66 cents per unit for the second quarter of 1989.

Samson Energy's net loss for the quarter was $1,022,000 (23-cent loss per unit), compared with a net loss of $251,000 (6-cent loss per unit) for the second quarter of 1989. The increased net loss is attributable to the recent settlement of a pricing dispute involving a gas well in which Samson Energy owns a 36 percent working interest. In the lawsuit, in which an affiliate of Samson Energy was the plaintiff, both parties sought damages. In the settlement, neither party recovered any damages. However $753,000 was recorded in the second quarter of 1990 as an adjustment to what Samson Energy had previously recorded as a receivable from the gas purchaser but which is now no longer recoverable based on the settlement. This expense did not affect cash flow, and no additional expenses related to this dispute will be incurred.

SIX-MONTH FINANCIAL RESULTS Revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were $7,892,000, an increase of 6 percent compared with $7,446,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1989. Cash flow from operating activities for the current six months was $6,824,000 ($1.53 per unit), compared with $6,764,000 ($1.72 per unit) for the six months ended June 30 1989. Cash flow in both periods includes certain payments in excess of gas sales. Net loss for the current six months was $659,000 (15-cent loss per unit), compared with net income of $21,000 (1 cent per unit) for the first six months of 1989. The current six-month loss is attributable to the lawsuit settlement described above.

COMMENTARY "In light of the very warm winter and resultant industry-wide weakness in natural gas demand and price, Samson Energy's results are encouraging. For the current six months, average prices of natural gas and oil and production of oil were higher than the like period in 1989, and gas production was only 1 percent lower. During the past six months, cash flow from operating activities was evenly divided between cash distributions for unitholders and reserve replacement through new drilling and producing property acquisitions. Approximately $3,000,000 has been spent on development drilling and $500,000 on the purchase of producing properties. We expect to aggressively pursue our reserve development activities while maintaining our attractive cash distribution," stated Dennis R. Neill, senior vice president and chief operating officer of Samson Properties Inc., the general partner.

Samson Energy Co. is a publicly traded master limited partnership whose principal business activities include the development and operation of oil and gas properties and the acquisition of additional producing properties. Depositary receipts evidencing units are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol SAM.

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PITTSBURGH (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - PNC Financial Corp (NYSE: PNC) today announced the introduction of a program which will make available tax-deferred annuities and mutual funds for sale throughout its network of 530 bank branches.

The program, ProVest, will begin operation today in 63 Ohio and Kentucky branches of PNC's Central Bancorporation. Over the next year, additional PNC banks will begin to offer ProVest products.

ProVest is offered in conjunction with GNA Corp., a financial services company, which specializes in the design and marketing of annuities, insurance and securities products for financial institutions.

R. Steven Bonnett, PNC senior vice president of retail investment, said, "Research confirms that people prefer to consolidate their financial affairs where they bank. This program allows us to keep up with the changing financial needs of our customers by offering a wider selection of products and services."

Bonnett added that the program will benefit PNC both immediately, and in the long term. "It will earn fee-income, plus it will strengthen customer relationships at all levels of our banks and will expand our customer base as ProVest attracts new business," he said.

"This income will be earned with essentially no added overhead," said Bonnett. "And by offering these products to the extent that the law now permits, PNC is positioning itself to bring them in-house if banks gain the additional powers."

PNC is already one of the nation's leading service providers to the brokerage, mutual fund and financial services industries. It currently services over 200 mutual funds, common trust funds and partnerships with total assets of more than $50 billion, making it one of the top institutional fund servicing agents in the nation. ProVest will enhance the services available by providing consultations to customers on a broad array of non-bank products.

PNC Financial Corp, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is the nation's 14th-largest bank holding company with assets of $47.8 billion. PNC was formed in 1983 with the consolidation of Pittsburgh National Corp., Pittsburgh, and Provident National Corp., Philadelphia.

CONTACT: Earl J. Bohn of PNC Financial Corp, 412-762-2477 or home at 412-734-4185

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The GNA account executives, experienced consultants licensed to sell tax-deferred annuities and packaged securities services, will offer investment assistance in PNC bank branches and at customers' homes or offices. ProVest will service customers directed to it by PNC banks and through direct response campaigns scheduled to begin immediately in the introductory markets.

Annuities are rapidly growing in popularity. Over the last decade, American investors have increased the dollars they've invested annually in annuities by nearly $40 billion -- from $6.3 billion in 1980 to $46 billion in 1989. GNA is the leading provider of annuities through banks and thrifts.

Until recently, insurance products were not sold in banks because of restrictive regulations. Many commercial banks are still prohibited by law from selling insurance products directly. However, the products can be offered through an outside vendor such as GNA.

PNC Financial Corp, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is the nation's 14th-largest bank holding company with assets of $47.8 billion. PNC was formed in 1983 with the consolidation of Pittsburgh National Corp., Pittsburgh, and Provident National Corp., Philadelphia. Its principal banking affiliates include: Bank of Delaware Corp., Wilmington, Del.; The Central Bancorporation Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio (includes banks in Ohio and Kentucky); Citizens Fidelity Corp., Louisville, Ky. (includes banks in Kentucky and Indiana); The First Bank and Trust Co., Mechanicsburg, Pa.; The Hershey Bank, Hershey, Pa.; Marine Bank, Erie, Pa.; Northeastern Bank of Pennsylvania, Scranton, Pa.; Pittsburgh National Bank, Pittsburgh; Provident National Bank, Philadelphia; PNC National Bank, Wilmington, Del; and PNC National Bank of New Jersey, Cherry Hill, N.J. PNC currently operates 530 community banking offices in Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, Delaware and New Jersey. It also conducts business through additional offices in 15 states and seven foreign countries.

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#90225p4837 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, Va. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Scott & Stringfellow Financial, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SCOT) posted improved results for the fourth quarter and 52 weeks ended June 29, 1990.

The company's primary subsidiary is Scott & Stringfellow Investment Corp., a regional brokerage, financial services and investment banking firm.

Francis A. Pineno, president and chief executive officer, said gross revenues for the fourth quarter increased to $8,287,703 from $7,505,508, a 10.4 percent increase over last year's comparable quarter.

Fourth quarter income before taxes was $390,192, increasing 18.1 percent over a year-ago level of $330,417. Net income for the quarter increased to $260,192 from $217,417. Earnings per share increased to $0.13 from $0.12. The firms average common shares outstanding for the fourth quarter increased to 1,967,413 from 1,813,233 a year ago.

For the year, gross revenues increased 17.1 percent to $33,880,431 versus $28,938,049.

Income before taxes for the year increased 21.0 percent to $2,053,273 versus $1,696,394. Net income for the year increased 25.7 percent to $1,369,273 compared with $1,089,394. Earnings per share were $0.70 versus $0.60. For the year, average common shares outstanding rose to 1,955,792 versus 1,829,434.

During the fiscal year ended June 29, 1990, the firm repurchased 104,817 of its common shares and issued 255,985 of its common shares in connection with the October 1989 acquisition of Investment Corporation of Virginia.

Scott & Stringfellow Investment Corp. was founded in 1893 in Richmond, Virginia and is the South's oldest continuous member of the New York Stock Exchange. The common stock of the holding company, Scott & Stringfellow Financial, Inc. has been traded in the Over-the-Counter market since an initial public offering in November, 1986. The firm has 24 branch offices throughout Virginia, North Carolina, and West Virginia and 375 employees of which 160 have full-time Investment Broker positions.

CONTACT: Francis A. Pineno, President & CEO, Scott & Stringfellow Investment Corp., 804-643-1811

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#90225p4841 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will hold a public meeting on a proposed plan for addressing soil contamination at the Ciba-Geigy Superfund site on Thursday, Aug. 16 in

McIntosh, Ala.

The meeting will be held at the McIntosh Town Hall in Washington County. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. with a presentation on the remedial investigation/feasibility study and the proposed plan. EPA will then answer questions and accept comments from the public.

The Ciba-Geigy site, located 1,000 feet northeast of McIntosh, was placed on the National Priorities List (NPL) in September 1983. The McIntosh Plant covers approximately 1,500 acres (or 2.4 square miles) about 50 miles north of Mobile, Ala. The plant, adjacent to the Southern Railroad on the west and the Tombigbee River on the east, has been in operation since the early 1950s producing various agricultural chemicals. In September 1989, EPA selected a remedy for one portion of the site which endorsed the pumping and treating of contaminated groundwater begun by Ciba-Geigy in 1988.

This proposed plan calls for addressing the soil contamination in 11 waste management areas identified at the site. The three alternatives being proposed for cleaning up these areas include containment and stabilization for some areas; stabilization and on-site land vault containment; and on-site incineration, stabilization and on-site land vault disposal.

The public is encouraged to review EPA's Proposed Plan and submit comments to the agency during the 30-day comment period which began July 30 and extends to Aug. 30. The plan and other documents pertaining to the site are available for review at the McIntosh Town Hall and the McIntosh Library. Comments should be mailed to Charles L. King Jr., Remedial Project Manager, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 345 Courtland St. NE, Atlanta, GA 30365 postmarked before Aug. 30.

CONTACT: Charlis Thompson, 404-347-3004 or Betty Winter, 404-347-2643, both of EPA

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Applied Spectrum Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: ASTI) today announced that total revenues for the 1990 third fiscal quarter were $263,000, compared with $154,000 for the year- earlier period. The company reported a net loss for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $286,000, or $.14 per share, compared with a net loss of $490,000, or $.67 per share, during the fiscal 1989 third quarter.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1990, revenues were $1,050,000 compared with $448,000 in the comparable 1989 period. Net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $1,108,000, or $.94 per share, versus a net loss of $1,285,000, or $1.76 per share, in the same period last year.

Richard Palermo, president, said, "The third quarter increase in revenues was mainly due to shipments of our new Centra Series 4000 T-1 Multiplexer to the commercial (non-telco) marketplace.

Palermo added, "The reduction in net loss for the quarter was accomplished through a restructuring to concentrate primarily on the new Centra T-1 Multiplexer. We have shipped approximately 25 systems of the Centra product to Twin Cities customers. We are now beginning to expand our efforts by making this product available to distributors for resale in other selected geographic areas."

Applied Spectrum Technologies, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, designs manufactures and markets digital data distribution products for telecommunications applications.

APPLIED SPECTRUM TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenues	$263,000	$154,000	$1,050,000	$448,000
Net (loss)	(286,000)	(490,000)	(1,108,000)	(1,285,000)
Net (loss) per share	$(.14)	$(.67)	$(.94)	$(1.76)
Weighted average number of shares	1,996,064	728,064	1,174,212	728,064

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Marion Merrell Dow Inc. (NYSE: MKC) today announced a 33 percent increase in the company's quarterly cash dividend on the common stock from fifteen cents to twenty cents. The dividend is payable Oct. 19, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 20, 1990.

"We have made considerable progress toward realizing the synergies and efficiencies we anticipated when we created our new company late last year " said Joseph G. Temple, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, in making the announcement. "This dividend increase reflects the board's confidence in our ability to continue that progress and, in the process, achieve the short and long-term earnings goals we have established for Marion Merrell Dow."

CONTACT: Larry W. Wheeler or David M. Thompson of Marion Merrell Dow, 816-966-4000

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Willcox & Gibbs, Inc. (NYSE: WG) announced today that it has completed its previously announced $44 million acquisition of Filix Lastex, S.A. of Troyes, France.

Filix Lastex, S.A. is the largest covered yarn manufacturer in France and one of the industry leaders in all of Europe. In 1989, sales reached $51 million and net earnings rose to $3.2 million.

John K. Ziegler, chairman and chief executive officer of Willcox & Gibbs, stated that "We believe that our company, through its subsidiaries, Regal Manufacturing Company of North Carolina and Rubyco Inc. of Canada, is already the world's leading and largest supplier of covered yarns. The purchase of Filix Lastex will enable us to participate in the anticipated growth markets of Europe and many other countries in which the French company is already marketing its products. In addition, there are many marketing and production synergisms between our present operations and those of the company in France which should bring about significant benefits to our covered yarn operations."

CONTACT: Richard J. Mackey, president of Willcox & Gibbs, 212-869-1800

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GREAT NECK, N.Y. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Avnet, Inc. (NYSE: AVT) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the company to begin a program to repurchase shares of its common stock. It has initially authorized the repurchase of up to one million shares. The stock will purchased in the open market from time to time or in directly negotiated purchases. Avnet stated that it expects the repurchase program to begin immediately.

CONTACT: Irwin Lubalin, senior VP, or John Regazzi, senior VP and CFO, of Avnet, 516-466-7000

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Comprehensive Care Corp. (NYSE: CMP) today announced that the dissident group of stockholders waging a consent solicitation to remove and replace the company's current directors had delivered to the company on Aug. 1, 1990, written consents purporting to

represent in excess of a majority of the company's outstanding common stock and purporting to remove and replace the company's current directors. On Aug. 2, 1990, in connection with the company's litigation against the dissident group of stockholders, the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California granted the company's application for a temporary restraining order prohibiting the defendants (including the dissident group) from tendering any consents and purporting to exercise control over the company prior to the company's preliminary injunction motion scheduled for Aug. 6, 1990. The restraining order also temporarily restrained the effectiveness of the consents that were tendered by the dissident group on Aug. 1, 1990.

On Monday, Aug. 6, 1990, the District Court ruled that it would issue a preliminary injunction and, although the District Court has not formally issued the order, the company believes, based on the Aug. 6 hearing before the District Court, that the preliminary injunction will enjoin the dissident group from tendering any consents prior to Aug. 19, 1990, at 4:30 p.m. EDT, using any consents prior to that time, and purporting and/or attempting to exercise control over the company prior to that time. The company also believes that the preliminary injunction order will provide that the consents tendered by the dissident group on Aug. 1, 1990, will have no force or effect prior to expiration of the preliminary injunction. The company's complaint in the litigation alleged violations of the federal securities laws and regulations relating to the dissident group's consent solicitation, their acquisitions of the company's securities and their filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Comprehensive Care Corp., based in St. Louis, is a national provider of chemical dependency treatment programs under the service mark "CareUnit" and physical rehabilitation programs under the service mark "RehabCare."

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HOUSTON (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Plains Resources (AMEX: PLX) today reported a net loss of $672,000, or 12 cents per share, on total revenue of $8,567,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, as compared with net income of $1,516,000, or 32 cents per share, on total revenue of $6,086,000 for the second quarter of 1989. Operating cash flow for the quarter was $1,316,000 as compared with $2,849,000 for the corresponding quarter in 1989. Plains said that the sharp contrast in its quarter-to-quarter comparison of net income and operating cash flow primarily reflects the one-time effect of its settlement of certain natural gas contract litigation during the second quarter of 1989.

During the second quarter of 1990, Plains' oil production increased 183

percent to nearly 82,000 barrels from 29,000 barrels in the prior year's second quarter, despite the temporary loss of production from certain fields during the quarter due to flood conditions in southeast Texas and Louisiana. The substantial increase in Plains' oil production resulted primarily from work performed since the beginning of the year on properties acquired during the latter half of 1989, Plains said. Plains' gas production also increased 20 percent during the quarter to 1.2 billion cubic feet from about one billion cubic feet in the prior year's quarter, the company said.

Although its oil and gas production increased significantly during the quarter, Plains said that the oil and gas prices realized for its production registered sharp declines from the prior year's level. The average price received by Plains for its oil production fell to $16.73 per barrel, down $2.50 from the $19.23 barrel received in the prior year's quarter. Plains' average gas price for the second quarter declined 37 percent to $1.76 per Mcf from the prior year's second quarter level of $2.79 per Mcf which included the effects the company's settlement of gas contract litigation.

For the first half of 1990, Plains recorded a net loss of $865,000, or 17 cents per share, on total revenue of $15,894,000. This compares with net income of $741,000, or 7 cents per share, on total revenue of $10,258,000 for the same period in 1989. Operating cash flow for the first six months of 1990 was $3,152,000 as contrasted with $3,719,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

CONTACT: Christine Eilert of Plains Resources Inc., 713-654-1414

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FORT SMITH, AR (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Baldor Electric Co. (NYSE: BEZ) announced today that it intends to purchase up to 300,000 shares of its common stock between now and June 30, 1991.

This action was authorized by the board of directors at their regular meeting on Sunday, Aug. 12. The purchase will be made to meet requirements of stock options and other employee benefit plans. The purchase program, which will encompass both open market and negotiated transactions, will be implemented from time to time depending upon the company's needs, market conditions, and other factors.

Baldor Electric Co. also announced that the board of directors had declared a $.12 per share cash dividend on its common stock payable Sept. 28 to shareholders of record on Sept. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: R.S. Boreham Jr., chairman and CEO, or R.L. Qualls,

president, 501-646-4711, both of Baldor Electric

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TROY, MICH. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - R.P. Scherer Corporation reported today record operating income for the quarter ended June 30. Sales increased 2.5 percent from the same period last year.

Sales for the first quarter of the current fiscal year were $82.1 million, an increase of 2.5 percent over $80.1 million reported for the same period last year. Sales for the company's core drug delivery systems segment increased to $72.0 million from $63.0 million last year, an increase of over 14 percent. Offsetting this sales increase was a $7 million reduction in the company's contract packaging segment, reflecting delays in the start-up of certain new customer programs, as well as the scheduled termination of contract R&D services.

Operating income for the first quarter increased 31 percent, reaching $16.1 million; compared with operating income last year of $12.4 million, before a non-recurring restructuring charge of $5.4 million. This improvement is the result of increased gross margins in the drug delivery systems segment, as well as significant cost reductions implemented following the acquisition of Scherer last year. The effects of these improvements in operating income were partially offset by a $0.9 million increase in goodwill amortization resulting from the accounting for the acquisition.

Income from continuing operations before income taxes and minority interests was $3.8 million; compared with a first-quarter loss of $4.4 million for the previous fiscal year. During the current quarter ended June 30, the company experienced a $10.9 million increase in interest expense as a result of incremental debt incurred in connection with the acquisition. The results for the prior-year quarter include the previously mentioned restructuring charge of $5.4 million, and $9.6 million of non-operating expenses for investment banking, legal, stock option cancellation, and other acquisition-related costs.

A net loss of $1.9 million was recorded for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, since the pre-tax earnings were more than offset by a $4.3 million income tax provision. The income tax provisions for the first quarter of both 1991 and 1990 fiscal years represent principally foreign income taxes. The company is unable to recognize any federal income tax benefit on its domestic losses which resulted from the heavy interest expense burden in fiscal 1991, and the restructuring and other non-recurring charges in fiscal 1990.

R.P. Scherer Corporation is an international company specializing in the

development, manufacture and marketing of advanced drug delivery systems. Scherer's proprietary and patented drug delivery systems optimize the efficacy of drugs by regulating the dosage, rate of absorption, and place of release. In addition to being the world's largest developer and manufacturer of softgels, Scherer's drug delivery range includes the patented SCHERERSOL(R) and ZYDIS(R) systems. The company operates a global network of 14 facilities in 13 countries.

ZYDIS is a registered trademark of R.P. Scherer Corporation. R.P. Scherer is now a subsidiary of RPS Corporation (OTC: RPCPP).

R.P. SCHERER CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME
(In thousands, except per-share data)

	Three Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$82,132	$80,095
Costs and expenses	66,064	67,736
Restructuring charge	---	5,736
Operating income	16,068	6,983
Interest expense and other, net	12,282	1,756
Non-operating expenses	---	9,615
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and minority interests	3,786	(4,388)
Income taxes	4,309	3,520
Minority interests in net income of subsidiaries	1,420	1,411
Net income (loss) from continuing operations	(1,943)	(9,319)
Income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	---	618
Net income (loss)	(1,943)	(8,701)
Preferred stock dividends	1,183	5
Net income (loss) available for common shares	(3,126)	(8,706)
Per-share data: Income (loss) from -		
Continuing operations	($1.53)	($.92)
Discontinued operations	---	$.06
Net income (loss)	($1.53)	($.86)
Average shares outstanding	2,042,891	10,100,830

CONTACT: Robert J. Lollini of R.P. Scherer Corporation 313-649-0900

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MAYFIELD HEIGHTS, OH (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Progressive Corporation (NYSE: PRG), the nation's 10th largest auto insurer, will make safety the number one criteria for choosing vehicles for its company car fleet, according to Peter B. Lewis, President and CEO.

"Cars built and equipped for safety will save lives, reduce injuries and help control the rising cost of auto accidents," said Lewis. "We want to protect Progressive employees by providing fleet cars that increase their chances of walking away from a crash. We want to create an incentive for auto manufacturers to continue to improve structural design integrity and safety features."

According to Lewis, Progressive will choose its fleet vehicles each year by reviewing all available independent data on vehicle safety, interviewing auto safety experts and visiting auto manufacturers to review their safety programs. For 1990, Progressive will offer its 900 fleet drivers a choice of the Ford Taurus, Mercury Sable or Volvo 240.

"We used the best independent published data on vehicle safety we could find to make this year's selections," said Lewis. "Based on available information, the Volvo is the best choice among imported cars and the Ford Taurus/Mercury Sable has the best rating of American cars. But there is no single, objective, independent source that allows accurate comparisons of all makes, models and model years in all crash and emergency situations. More testing and analysis needs to be done to help all consumers choose the safest car.

"We seek and welcome new data to help us make future selections of Progressive fleet vehicles," said Lewis. "We will continue to monitor new safety rating information as it becomes available to insure our fleet cars have excellent safety standards."

CONTACT: Marge Hlinka or Natalie Wester, both of Edward Howard & Co., 216-781-2400, for Progressive Corporation

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BIRMINGHAM, MICH. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Kuhlman Corporation (NYSE: KUH) today announced results for the second quarter and first six months of 1990.

Don O. Dulude, chief executive officer, noted that earnings from continuing operations before provision for income taxes continued at good levels despite a slight reduction in sales. He said that after-tax earnings declined slightly due to the higher effective tax rate being applied in 1990, compared to that which was in effect throughout 1989.

Net earnings include results of discontinued operations and the gain resulting from the previously announced sale of the company's blow- molded plastics operations to Solvay America, Inc. The sale became effective as of June 30, 1990.

Last week, the board of directors more than tripled the quarterly dividend rate when it declared a regular quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share, payable Oct. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 11, 1990.

Following are the comparative results for the three months and the six months ended June 30, 1990, and June 30, 1989:

KUHLMAN CORPORATION

(Thousands of Dollars)

	Second Quarter		First Six Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$31,962	$32,923	$59,448	$62,418
Cost and expenses:				
Cost of sales	$24,925	$26,261	$46,615	$50,070
Selling and administrative expense	4,228	3,552	7,727	6,829
Interest expense	264	532	492	1,078
Earnings before provision for income taxes	$2,545	$2,578	$4,614	$4,441
Provision for income taxes	992	794	1,836	1,265
Earnings from continuing operations	$1,553	$1,784	$2,778	$3,176
Earnings from discontinued operations:				
Operating earnings	$670	($123)	$410	$317
Gain on sale	3,785	---	3,785	---
Net earnings	$6,008	$1,661	$6,973	$3,493
Net earnings per common and common equivalent share:				
Continuing operations	$.28	$.31	$.49	$.56
Discontinued operations	.79	(.02)	.75	.05
Net earnings per common and common equivalent share	$1.07	$.29	$1.24	$.61

CONTACT: Kuhlman Fluehr of Kuhlman Corporation, 313-649-9300

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OAK BROOK, ILL. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Chemical Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: CHW) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of four cents per share, payable Oct. 4, 1990 to stockholders of record, Sept. 6, 1990.

It is the 14th consecutive quarterly dividend declared by the hazardous waste management services company.

CONTACT: Joe Pokorny of Chemical Waste, 708-218-1689

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DENVER (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - MinVen Gold Corp. (AMEX; TORONTO: MVG) announces today that mining operations at its Blackdome Mine, located in British Columbia, Canada will cease late in the fourth quarter of 1990. The Blackdome Mine began production of gold and silver in April, 1986. By the end of July, 1990 this high-grade mine had produced 202,652 ounces of gold and 627,537 ounces of silver from 336,951 tons of ore.

On March 23, 1990, MinVen reported that it had written down the carrying value of its investment in the Blackdome Mine due to a significant decline in grade of ore being mined. MinVen has since reported the discovery of a high-grade zone in the No. 18 Vein. At current rates of mining, it is expected that this high-grade shoot will be mined out by November, 1990 and the ore processed by late December, 1990.

James A. Anderson, president and chief executive officer, said, "MinVen's efforts to replace the high-grade gold ore mined at Blackdome have been unsuccessful to date. It is prudent at this time to cease mining operations until MinVen has assessed the full potential of the property. Ore reserves are not sufficient to continuously operate the mill past November, 1990. However, operations will re-commence in the event Blackdome develops additional reserves."

MinVen Gold is a publicly held, Denver-based mining company with interests in five operating mines in the United States and Canada, including the Blackdome Mine. Its shares are traded on the American, Toronto and Vancouver stock exchanges under the symbol MVG.

CONTACT: James A. Anderson of MinVen Gold Corp., 303-980-5616

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#90225p4881 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines Inc., (NYSE: DAL) announced today that its board of directors has elected two new executive vice presidents.

They are W. Whitley Hawkins, executive vice president - marketing and stations, and Russell H. Heil, executive vice president - operations and personnel. The appointments are effective Aug. 16. The board also

confirmed the previous announcement that Ronald W. Allen, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, will assume the additional title of president.

Hawkins, who has been senior vice president - marketing since 1985, is a 35-year veteran, having joined the company as a transportation agent in 1955. He served as marketing representative before being named assistant to the manager - military & government transportation in 1959. He headed that department as manager from February 1962 until April 1966, when he was named regional sales manager. He became director of advertising in January 1973, was named general manager - passenger sales in November 1975 and was elevated to director - sales in July 1978. He was elected assistant vice president - marketing in 1979, vice president - marketing in 1984 and senior vice president - marketing in May of 1985.

Heil, who has been senior vice president - personnel since 1984, is a 24-year veteran, having joined the company as an engineer in 1966. He was promoted to positions of increasing responsibility and was, in early 1974, appointed assistant to Delta's senior vice president - personnel. In November of 1974, he was elected to assistant vice president - personnel administration, in February 1978, to vice president - personnel administration, and in November of 1979, to vice president - personnel benefits. He was elected vice president - personnel in November 1982, and senior vice president - personnel in November 1984.

Hawkins will have overall responsibility for the marketing and stations divisions of the company, and Heil will have overall responsibility for the operations, technical operations, and personnel divisions of the company.

Allen said that the promotions of Hawkins and Heil will position the company well to continue to successfully meet the challenges of the highly competitive airline industry. He noted that these promotions continue Delta's long-standing policy of promotion from within.

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GREAT NECK, N.Y. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Gould Investors L.P. (AMEX: GLP) today reported its operating results for the third quarter and first nine months of the current fiscal year.

Revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1990, rose to $8,752,000 from $6,503,000 for the fiscal 1989 period. The operating loss for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 was $309,000 compared with a loss of $1,622,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1989. The gain on disposition of properties,

mortgages and investments was $2,682,000 or $2.45 a limited partnership unit for the three months ended June 30, 1990, compared with such gains of $3,000 a year earlier. Net income for the current third quarter was $2,373,000 or $1.77 a unit versus a loss of $1,619,000.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, revenues rose to $25,366,000 from $18,499,000 for the fiscal 1989 period and the operating loss was $1,838,000 compared with a loss of $6,233,000 a year earlier. The gain on disposition of properties, mortgages of properties, mortgages and investments was $2,610,000 or $2.38 a unit versus such gains of $4,163,000 or $3.77 a unit for the nine months ended June 30, 1989. Net income for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 was $772,000 versus a loss of $2,070,000 a year earlier.

Since Gould Investor's equity interest in the common stock of One Liberty Properties, Inc. is approximately 66 percent, One Liberty's results are included on a consolidated basis for the fiscal 1990 periods.

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ARLINGTON, VA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Columbia First Bank, a Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: CFFS) reported net income available to stockholders of $44,000, or 1 cent per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to $533,000, or 19 cents per share, for the same quarter in 1989. For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, the bank reported net income available to stockholders of $2,364,000, or 80 cents per share, compared with $465,000, or 17 cents per share, for the prior year period.

The $489,000 decrease in third quarter earnings from a year ago resulted from a $2,123,000 increase in the provision for loan losses offsetting increases in net interest income of $1,694,000, a gain on the early retirement of debt of $619,000 net of taxes, and decreases in compensation of $693,000, annual meeting and litigation costs of $1,161,000, and income tax expense of $824,000. The third quarter 1989 earnings also reflect a before tax gain of $3,400,000 from the sale of Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation preferred stock.

The $1,899,000 increase in earnings for the nine months ending June 30, 1990, compared to the same period in 1989 reflects increased net interest income of $2,076,000 and decreased costs for compensation of $998,000, marketing of $985,000, and annual meeting and related litigation costs of $2,258,000. These improvements from operations are offset by increases in the provision for losses on loans of $2,770,000 and income taxes of

$809,000. The 1990 earnings also reflect a $2,450,000 before tax gain from settlement of an insurance claim and litigation while the 1989 earnings reflected a $3,400,000 before tax gain from sale of Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation preferred stock.

The increased provision for losses on loans reflects increases in certain loan portfolio segments and the deteriorating regional real estate market. The bank has established a program to further increase, by Sept. 30, 1990 the allowance for losses on loans from the current balance of $4,500,000 to $7,800,000, subject to change to reflect improvement or deterioration in the loan portfolio and regional real estate market. Due to the increased level of commercial and consumer loans, the bank has also embarked on a program to strengthen the allowance for loan losses through fiscal year 1991 with an additional increase of approximately $2,400,000 in the coming year.

Columbia First Bank currently operates 27 banking offices and five loan origination offices in Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, with total assets of $2.2 billion. The bank's capital base exceeds all current Office of Thrift Supervision capital requirements.

COLUMBIA FIRST BANK, A FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK AND SUBSIDIARIES
Financial Highlights
(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Nine Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating Results				
Net interest income	$ 8,516	6,822	24,971	22,895
Other income (net)	1,683	5,038	7,835	9,080
Operating Expense	7,925	9,753	23,764	27,720
Net income (loss) before extraordinary item	(267)	865	2,657	1,449
Extraordinary item, net of taxes	619	--	619	--
Provision for annual income payments on permanent income capital certificate	308	332	912	984
Net income to shareholders	44	533	2,364	465
Return on assets	.01 pct	.10 pct	.15 pct	.03 pct
Return on common equity	.21 pct	2.73 pct	3.80 pct	.82 pct
Per Share Data Net income (loss) before extraordinary item -- primary and				

fully diluted	(0.09)	0.31	0.91	0.54
Extraordinary item, net of taxes	0.21	--	0.21	--
Provision for annual income payments on permanent income capital certificate	0.11	0.12	0.31	0.37
Net income to shareholders -- primary and fully diluted	0.01	0.19	0.81	0.17
Common book value, net of goodwill	22.18	20.65		
Market value	10.25	15.50		
Balance Sheet				
Federal Funds sold and investments	$ 93,153	76,815		
Mortgage-backed securities	542,032	631,422		
Loans, net	1,402,120	1,355,737		
Assets	2,107,027	2,159,303		
Deposits	1,221,795	1,216,144		
Borrowings	749,781	812,358		
Stockholders' equity	99,894	93,905		
Common shares outstanding	2,901,845	2,708,725		
Allowance for Loan Losses Balance, beginning of period	$ 2,376	837	1,090	749
Provision charged to expense	2,298	175	3,598	828
Less: net charge-offs	(187)	(61)	(201)	(626)
Balance, June 30	4,487	951	4,487	951
Reserve/period end loans	.32 pct	.07 pct		
Nonperforming Assets				
Nonaccruing loans	$ 12,270	329		
Loans past due 90 days still accruing	3,501	3,860		
Real estate owned	2,491	1,483		
Total	$ 18,262	5,672		
Nonperforming assets/period end loans	1.30 pct	.42 pct		
Reserve/nonperforming				

loans 24.57 pct 16.77 pct

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RALEIGH, NC (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Firstcorp, Inc. (AMEX: FCR) reported a net loss of $5.5 million, or $1.70 a share, for the three months ended June 30, 1990, due principally to its portfolio of troubled assets.

The nonperforming assets cost the Company approximately $6.3 million from interest income foregone, net losses on the sale of real estate, expenses related to selling and managing the troubled assets and some additional reserves.

Pursuant to the terms of a capital plan filed with the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) by the Company's principal subsidiary, First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Raleigh (FFR), FFR plans to sell its nonperforming assets to an unaffiliated liquidating entity. The OTS is reviewing FFR's plan and a decision is anticipated this fall.

Willard G. Ross, Acting President, stated that FFR had received a letter from the OTS stating that during its review of the plan and based on the institution's current capital position, it had classified FFR as "subject to greater restrictions" under the provisions of applicable OTS regulations.

While so classified, FFR will be permitted, within limitations, to make one-to-four family mortgage loans, FHA and VA loans, secured consumer loans, and overdraft protection loans, as well as open new accounts and accept deposits, provided growth does not exceed certain limitations.

FFR also will be permitted to continue to sell its real estate owned and fund those legally binding commitments existing as of August 13, 1990; however, effective immediately, certain other activities, including commercial and construction lending, have been limited to those preapproved by the OTS.

At June 30, 1990, the Company's total assets were $700.5 million, up slightly from the March 31, 1990 total of $696.8 million. Real estate owned decreased to $86.8 million from $92.6 million. Stockholders' equity totaled $440,000 at June 31, 1990.

Firstcorp, Inc. is the parent company of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Raleigh, First Security Savings and Loan Assocation, Inc. of Pinehurst and First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Durham.

These subsidiaries operate twenty-two full service offices in four counties in North Carolina which include the Research Triangle and Sandhills areas. Firstcorp's Class A Common Stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol FCR.

CONTACT: Willard G. Ross, Acting President and CEO, Firstcorp, Inc., (919) 831-4200.

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MT. KISCO, NY (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Responding to President Bush's call to industry leaders to assist in controlling fuel-related inflation, Trans World Airlines (TWA) announced today that it will not increase domestic fares. Instead, the airline will slash non-refundable fares by 20 percent or more (up to 30 percent) in most markets. The discounted fares must be purchased between Aug. 14 and Aug. 29, for travel between Sept. 5 and Dec. 16, 1990, within the continental United States, Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

If fuel prices remain at or above current levels, TWA may be compelled to consider fare increases at a later date. TWA had previously announced a $20 fare increase for international travel.

Carl Icahn, TWA chairman and CEO, said, "In these times of increasingly expensive vacations and other travel, we are pleased to afford the public the opportunity to rethink their travel plans for the fall."

These non-refundable tickets must be purchased 24 hours after booking. Sample roundtrip midweek fares are $158 from New York to St. Louis and $218 from New York to Denver.

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MIAMI (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Crest Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: CRII) today announced record net sales and net income for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $25.5 million, up 24 percent from $20.5 million for the three months ending June 30, 1989. Substantially all of the increase in net sales was attributable to air conditioners, which increased 59 percent to $14.8 million from $9.3 million during the comparable prior year period.

Net income increased slightly to approximately $850,000, or $0.42 per share for the quarter as compared to pro forma net income of $832,000, or $0.33 per share for the three months ended June 30, 1989.

Pro forma provisions for income taxes and net income amounts for the three months ended June 30, 1989, assume that Crest was subject to income taxes. It revoked its subchapter S election effective Jan. 1, 1990. The increase in per share net income is primarily due to a decrease in weighted average shares outstanding as a result of the purchase of 500,000 shares from a former shareholder. The company completed its initial public offering in July 1990 and currently has 3,380,000 shares outstanding.

Crest Industries, Inc. is primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of home improvement products, including ceiling fans, room air conditioners, track and recessed lighting products and plumbing fixtures. The company designs ceiling fans, track lighting products and plumbing fixtures and contracts for their manufacture by independent suppliers located in the Far East. Crest room air conditioners are produced domestically and its recessed lighting products are assembled by the company at its facility in Cleveland.

CREST INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	For the Three Months June 30,	
	1989	1990
	(unaudited)	
Net sales	$ 20,498,115	$25,468,396
Cost of goods sold	17,824,227	21,777,990
Gross profit	2,673,888	3,690,406
Operating expenses	1,180,930	2,176,968
Other expense	135,055	148,409
Income before provision for income taxes	1,357,903	1,365,029
Provision for income taxes	1,451	514,782
Net income	1,356,452	$ 850,247
Net income per share	--	$ 0.42
Pro forma amounts:		
Provision for income taxes	524,000	--
Pro forma net income	$ 832,452	--
Pro forma net income per share	$ 0.33	--
Weighted average number of outstanding shares of common stock and common stock equivalents	2,537,122	2,037,122

CONTACT: Gary Rodney, vice president of finance of Crest Industries, Inc.

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TORONTO (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited (Toronto Stock Exchange, Montreal Exchange: AGE; NASDAQ: AEAGF) today reported second quarter gold production of 43,043 ounces compared to the 17,258 ounces produced in the 1989 second quarter. For the first half of 1990, gold production amounted to 87,077 ounces compared to 33,809 ounces in the first half of 1989. Gold production for the 1990 first half was approximately 7,000 ounces higher than budgeted production.

Income from production for the three-month period ended June 30, 1990 was $17.7 million, an increase of $8.4 million over the same period of 1989. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, income from production was $38.9 million compared to $19.1 million for the comparable 1989 period. The increases in both production and revenue were due principally to the addition of the LaRonde Mine, recently acquired in the amalgamation with Dumagami Mines Limited. In the 1990 second quarter, gold production at the LaRonde Mine amounted to 25,251 ounces for a 1990 total to date of 50,261 ounces. In addition, gold production at the company's Joutel Division increased 9 percent from 33,809 ounces in the 1989 first half to 36,816 ounces for the 1990 first half. The increased production at the JouteI Division was attributable to an increase in tons of ore treated.

AGNICO-EAGLE MINES LIMITED
SUMMARIZED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL AND OPERATING DATA
(unaudited)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Consolidated Financial Results (A)				
Income from production (thousands)	$ 17,676	$ 9,306	$ 38,873	$ 19,147
Loss from continuing operations	(3,844)	(356)	(2,097)	(1,590)
Per share	(0.15)	(0.02)	(0.08)	(0.11)
Net income (loss) for the period (thousands)	(3,844)	5,820	(2,097)	3,925
Per share	(0.15)	0.39	(0.08)	0.26
Weighted average number of shares outstanding (thousands)	25,965	15,108	25,167	14,999

(A) Income from production for the three months ended June 30, 1989, and six months ended June 30, 1989, includes only the results of Agnico-Eagle's Joutel and Silver Divisions. Operating results of

Dumagami's LaRonde Mine, acquired in December 1989, are not included. Prior to the amalgamation, the company accounted for its interest in the LaRonde Mine using the equity method. The LaRonde Mine began commercial operations on Oct. 1, 1988.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Reading Co. (NASDAQ: RDGCA) today announced financial results for the three months ending June 30, 1990.

For the second quarter of 1990, Reading had income from continuing operations and net income of $5,920,000 equivalent to $1.19 per share vs. a loss from continuing operations of $249,000 or $.05 per share in the three months ending June 30, 1989. Revenues in the three months ending June 30, 1990, totaled $7.3 million vs. $1.6 million in the same period last year. Net income in last year's second quarter totalled $16,074,000 or $3.23 per share and included income from the discontinued operations and sale of the company's interest in El Paso Refining Co. Ltd.

For the first six months of 1990, Reading had income from continuing operations and net income of $5,901,000 or $1.19 per share and revenues of $8.5 million, compared with a loss from continuing operations of $819,000 or $.16 per share and revenues of $2.4 million for the six- month period last year. Net income for the six months ending June 30, 1989, totaled $17,979,000 equivalent to $3.62 per share and included income from El Paso.

Income in the three months ending June 30, 1990, included $5.2 million from an arbitration award, $.5 million of accrued interest on the award and $.5 million in income reflecting the repayment of an advance from a former railroad affiliate, which advance had previously been written off by the company.

The arbitration award arose out of a 1986 agreement between the company and Trailer Train Co. pursuant to which Reading sold its Trailer Train stock back to Trailer Train but retained rights for a five-year period to receive distributions as if it had continued to be a shareholder. The company had asserted that a recapitalization plan effected by Trailer Train had entitled Reading to additional payments and the arbitrator affirmed the company's position.

Reading Co. is primarily involved in the ownership and management of real estate.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines' OnePass frequent flyer program announced two new reward options for their members' OnePass miles.

OnePass is conducting an auction for a two day weekend in Albuquerque, New Mexico for the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta, Oct. 6-14, 1990. Six of the highest bidders (125,000 miles minimum bid) will win their choice of opening weekend, Oct. 6 & 7, or closing weekend, October 13 & 14. They win a champagne balloon ride for two, two nights' accommodations at the Doubletree Hotel-Albuquerque, two days' car rental, courtesy of National Car Rental and roundtrip airfare for two from anywhere in the mainland United States to Albuquerque.

Continental Airlines has its own hot air balloon entered in the races for the nine day event. They are also sponsoring a V.I.P Hospitality Tent open to the public, complete with a remote reservations and OnePass service operations. The Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta is the largest of its kind in the world, with over 600 balloon entries representing several countries. Attendance is anticipated to be well over the 800,000 mark of last year.

The second new reward option announced is the Millionaire Reward offering OnePass members the opportunity to redeem 1,000,000 miles for a year of First Class travel with Gold Elite status on companion. Their travel plans can include travel to the Caribbean, Europe, Hawaii and the South Pacific. And, there are no restricted travel dates. Millionaire Reward ticket holders can take one domestic roundtrip per calendar week (Monday - Sunday) and up to three domestic roundtrips to the same city during the one year validity period. Members call the OnePass Service Center at 713-952-1630 by Dec. 31, 1990 to request the reward.

CONTACT: Continental Airlines, 713-834-5080

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Conston Corp. (AMEX: KCS), a specialty retailer of women's clothing and accessories, which focuses primarily on large-sized women's apparel, presently in Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings, today announced that Charles Conston, members of his family and other affiliates sold all of their common stock of Conston to Cascade International Inc. (NASDAQ: KOSM).

Cascade is also engaged in the retail sale of women's apparel, in addition

to the distribution of proprietary lines of women's cosmetics.

The sale involved 413,393 shares of Class A and 4,428,074 shares of Class B common stock, constituting 63.7 percent of the outstanding voting stock of Conston. The purchase price was $1.06 per share, approximately $5,132,000. In a separate related transaction, Cascade also acquired the ownership interests in real property used as warehouse facilities by Conston.

As a condition of this sale, Cascade will make a cash payment of $.50 per share to all other public shareholders of Conston of record at the close of business on Sept. 11, 1990. This payment by Cascade will be made not later than Nov. 22, 1990, and will not dilute the equity interests of the other public shareholders.

Ira Quint, president of Lane Bryant from 1985 to 1990, will become chief operating officer of Conston and John Cebular will remain as its chief financial officer. Charles Conston, Stuart Conston and Cynthia Savett will continue to serve as three of six directors of Conston. The remaining three directors are Victor G. Incendy, Dr. Larry Moses and John T. Sirmans. Incendy and Sirmans are executive officers and directors of Cascade and Moses also serves as a director of Cascade. Incendy has been elected as chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of Conston.

Conston plans to mail financial information and further details of the foregoing transactions to public shareholders before the end of August 1990.

CONTACT: John Cebular, CFO of Conston, 215-492-9700

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MUSKEGO, WI (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert A. Macur, president of Primus Development Group I, Ltd., and subsidiary Classic Medical Products, Inc. today reported its preliminary nine month financial results.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, he announced sales of $2,622,268, and a net pretax profit of 14 cents per share for the 3,420,000 shares outstanding. The stock is traded by Hayne, Miller & Farni of Minneapolis, Minn. Macur reported very strong record orders inhouse.

Classic Medical Products, Inc., the subsidiary of Primus Development Group I, Ltd., designs, manufactures and sells disposable electrodes for a multitude of medical applications which include cardiology, radiology, physical therapy, impedance, and stimulation. Classic Medical markets products world wide through dealers and OEMs.

CONTACT: Robert A. Macur of Classic Medical, 414-679-3100

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FAIRFIELD, CT (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Barry Blau & Partners, Inc. (OTC: BLAU), has reached agreement with the SEC on the procedures to implement the previously announced restatement of financial statements with respect to certain transactions.

The company stated that it will include restated financial statements for the fiscal years ended June 30, 1988 and June 30, 1989 in its Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 1990. These statements will be audited by BDO Seidman which firm was engaged in February 1990 following the company's dismissal of its former auditors. Selected financial data for fiscal 1986 and 1987 will also be presented on a restated basis in the 1990 Form 10-K filing. No restated information will be presented for fiscal 1985. In addition, the company will restate certain quarterly financial information covering the 1988 and 1989 fiscal years and the affected period in fiscal 1990.

As previously announced, the company believes that this process, while affecting results in certain prior years, will have no material adverse effect on shareholders' equity as of June 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Fred Kaseff, chief financial officer of Barry Blau & Partners, 203-254-3700 or 212-584-1220

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Twentieth Century Fox has signed Paul Schiff to an exclusive production deal, it was announced today by Joe Roth, chairman, Twentieth Century Fox.

Schiff comes to Fox from Morgan Creek Productions, where he served for three years as vice president of production. While at Morgan Creek he produced "Young Guns," "Young Guns II" and "Coupe de Ville," and co-produced "Renegades," starring Kiefer Sutherland and Lou Diamond Phillips.

Joe Roth commented: "I hired Paul as a novice to work on 'Streets of Gold' in 1986. He showed that he could handle any and all production problems, and quickly turned into a first-rate producer. The exclusive nature of Paul's deal with Fox is yet another signal of the premium we are placing on working filmmakers at this studio."

Schiff commented: "Being at Morgan Creek during the first three years of its existence and enjoying the trust and support of Joe Roth and Jim Robinson, I had an opportunity to produce a number of pictures in a short period of time. Now Joe has given me the opportunity to move into independent production, while continuing my working relationship with the man who gave me my start in this business."

A 1981 graduate of Wesleyan University, Schiff freelanced in a number of capacities in New York City's independent film community before joining the then newly founded MTV network in 1982 as a staff producer. He left in 1985 to freelance as a producer and director of commercials, music videos and independent television programs.

After meeting Joe Roth in 1986, he became associate producer of Roth's first film as a director, "Streets of Gold." Before Roth and James G. Robinson founded Morgan Creek, Schiff also served as associate producer on Roth's second directorial effort, the hit comedy "Revenge of the Nerds II: Nerds in Paradise."

Twentieth Century Fox is primarily engaged in the development, financing, production, distribution and marketing of motion pictures throughout the world and is a unit of Fox Inc.

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LINCOLNSHIRE, IL (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Russ Welton has been selected by the National Polystyrene Recycling Company (NPRC) to be its vice president for sourcing and marketing, effective immediately.

Welton brings to his new position over 16 years of polymer marketing experience to manufacturers of packaging and consumer products. In his most recent position, he developed and implemented solid waste strategies for Chevron Chemical Company (Houston). Prior to that, Welton managed a wide range of responsibilities for Chevron and Gulf Oil Corporation, including the marketing and product management of polystyrene, styrene monomer, polyethylene and polypropylene.

"The NPRC is a pioneer of a new recycling industry that will provide a means for post consumer polystyrene recycling throughout the nation," said Welton.

As vice president of sourcing, Welton will be responsible for developing an infrastructure designed to provide post consumer feed stock to the NPRC plants. He will coordinate community and industry resources to build the most efficient polystyrene recycling system possible.

As vice president of marketing, Welton will develop end-use markets for NPRC's recycled polystyrene resins. His responsibilities for the sale of NPRC's consistent, quality resins will include expanding market penetration of recycled polystyrene to both direct customers and compounders.

"We want our product to speak for itself. Consistent, quality resin will help drive the demand for recycled polystyrene," said Welton. "Recycled polystyrene resin must be subjected to the same quality and consistent criteria that are expected of primary resins."

Welton holds a bachelor of science degree in business administration from the University of North Dakota and served in the United States Marine Corps from 1967-1970.

The National Polystyrene Recycling Company was launched in June 1989, and is the nation's first network of polystyrene foam recycling centers. The company has a goal of facilitating the recycling of 250 million pounds of polystyrene annually, by 1995, which represents 25 percent of the polystyrene used in food service and other packaging applications. This goal is consistent with the Environmental Protection Agency's solid waste reduction plan.

CONTACT: David Sheon of Nichols-Dezenhall Communications, 202-296-0263, for the National Polystyrene Recycling Company

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HOUSTON (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Home Corp. (NYSE: UH) today announced the company sustained a net loss for the quarter ended June previously announced litigation costs, provisions for discontinued operations and provisions relating to the disposition of excess land and housing inventories in markets where the company has further reduced its operations. While second quarter results are disappointing, housing operations were modestly profitable before giving effect to the provisions which relate to areas of operations in which the company has been working to eliminate future potential losses.

As previously announced, during the quarter, the company recorded provisions of approximately $7.6 million to reflect litigation settlements in the second quarter and estimated costs of pending litigation. The company also incurred additional losses of approximately $3.1 million, in the second quarter of 1990, relating to the curtailment of the scope of operations in the Arizona market and to the withdrawal from the Atlanta, North Carolina and New Mexico housing markets. The deterioration of the Arizona housing market left the company with a noncompetitive land base

and a large number of unsold homes. U.S. Home has now repositioned both its housing and land operations in the Arizona market. Today, the company has only 11 completed unsold homes in Arizona, has achieved a downsizing of its operations in this market and now has a more competitive land base.

Also in the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, the company recorded provisions of approximately $4.8 million for discontinued operations to chiefly cover the cost relating to a loan guarantee and various litigation costs, as previously announced, and the carrying cost of its manufactured housing plant in Salt Lake City, which was previously covered by a lease agreement.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, U.S. Home reported a net loss of $15,720,000, or 36 cents per share, compared to net income of $406,000, or 1 cent per share, for the second quarter of 1989. Total revenues for the quarter were $141,958,000 compared to revenues of $172,394,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company sustained a net loss of $15,594,000, or 35 cents per share, compared to net income of $827,000, or 2 cents per share, for the six months ended June 30, 1989. Total revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990 were $301,504,000 compared to revenues of $335,118,000 for the same period last year. The dollar value of the June 30, 1990 backlog was $241,930,000 compared to the value of the June 30, 1989 backlog of $246,886,000. The average sales price of homes delivered in the second quarter was $126,400 compared to an average sales price of $115,800 in the second quarter of last year.

Homes delivered during the second quarter were 1,240 compared to 1,404 in the second quarter of 1989 which included 181 homes and 29 homes, respectively, delivered by joint ventures in which the company participates. New orders in the second quarter, including new orders by joint ventures, were 1,150 compared to 1,418 new orders last year. The housing industry is experiencing the lowest level of housing starts since the recession of the early 1980s and is confronting uncertainty with respect to consumer confidence and the course of interest rates. U.S. Home's strategy has been to implement a business structure based on geographic diversity, low overhead and low inventories capable of withstanding the inevitable cyclicality of the housing industry. While certain markets in the United States are declining, U.S. Home has positioned itself to abide a market slowdown with lower land inventory and fewer unsold houses. An indication of the company's new operating strategies is its low inventory to backlog ratio and its low number of completed unsold units -- the lowest in over 15 years. Despite the slowing market, gross margins, in markets other than those in which reserves were taken, remain stable; and selling, general and administrative expenses, excluding reserves, have continued to decline.

U.S. Home will continue to focus on providing quality homes at the best value for its homebuyers. Though the company expects improved performance in the third and fourth quarters, in the event national housing starts continue to decline, future earnings performance could be adversely affected.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - American Electric, Memphis, Tenn, Houston Industries Incorporated (NYSE: HOU), Houston, Texas, and Innovative Controls Inc. (ICI), Houston, have signed an agreement for American Electric to purchase most of the assets of ICI. ICI is a subsidiary of Houston Industries. The announcement was made jointly today by M. Tatum Pursell, vice president of American Electric's ELECTRIPAK consumer products group, and Claude A. Denham, president and chief operating officer of ICI, at the National Hardware Show being held in the McCormick Place Complex. The purchase will be closed August 16.

"This acqusistion is beneficial to our customers as they'll now be able to get a broader product line from one source," said Pursell. "And we'll be combining our strengths with ICI's resulting in enhanced merchandising and promotion programs, new product development, and world class customer service." ELECTRIPAK has been achieving fill rates above 95 percent since completion of its master distribution center system last fall. That system involves consolidation of inventories in strategically located centers, resulting in prompt shipments and the elimination of back orders. ELECTRIPAK's state-of-the-industry distribution network also utilizes a sophisticated computerized order processing and tracking system.

Added Denham, who will be joining the ELECTRIPAK organization along with other ICI executives, "This acquisition is beneficial to both companies. Houston Industries will exit the manufacturing of lighting fixtures to concentrate on operating its core lines of business in the electric utility and cable television industries. ELECTRIPAK recognized ICI as a growth company, manufacturing and marketing an innovative line of high quality outdoor lighting products and, now, ELECTRIPAK intends to continue to manufacture and market these products under the ICI label for the immediate future."

"This acquisition," said Pursell, "demonstrates American Electric's strong commitment to the retail market. Combining these two organizations, which have similar markets and compatible managements, further strengthens our ability to be the best supplier of consumer outdoor lighting products in the market."

American Electric is a leading manufacturer and supplier of electrical components and systems. The ELECTRIPAK line of consumer products includes outdoor security and decorative lighting, surge suppressors, multiple outlet centers, indoor steel and outdoor weatherproof boxes and covers, and wiring aids and tools.

CONTACT: M. Tatum Pursell, ELECTRIPAK Booth No. 1060, 312-791-7376; Claude A. Denham, ICI Booth No. 2875, 312-791-6827; or Kathy Kavelman of Thompson & Company, 901-527-8000

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HOUSTON (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Allwaste Inc. (NASDAQ: ALWS) announced today that it has reached an agreement in principle to sell its manufacturing operation, Guzzler Manufacturing Inc., for cash. Consummation of the sale is subject to negotiation of a definitive agreement. Guzzler currently represents about 10 percent of Allwaste's consolidated revenues ($164 million for the nine months ended May 31, 1990) and about five percent of total operating income.

R.L. Nelson Jr., Allwaste's chairman, stated, "The sale of Guzzler Manufacturing will result in a gain and is a key strategic step which will allow Allwaste to focus 100 percent of its attention on environmental services. It is anticipated that the net proceeds from this sale will be used to continue the expansion of our service business."

Allwaste Inc. is a Houston-based environmental services company with over 90 operating locations throughout the United States and Canada.

CONTACT: R.L. Nelson Jr. or Clayton K. Trier of Allwaste Inc., 713-623-8777

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CINCINNATI (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - American Financial Corporation and Provident Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: PRBK) jointly announced today that they are conducting negotiations for the merger of Hunter Savings Association with Provident. Hunter is a wholly-owned subsidiary of AFC. Consummation of the transaction is subject to a number of contingencies including the negotiations between Provident and AFC being satisfactorily concluded with the execution of a definitive agreement, receipt of final approval of the boards of directors of Provident, AFC and Hunter, receipt of state and federal regulatory and supervisory approvals and other usual and customary conditions.

Provident Bancorp, Inc. is a bank holding company headquartered in

Cincinnati. Provident Bancorp was spun off from AFC in 1980. Its principal subsidiary is The Provident Bank which has 35 offices primarily in Cincinnati. Provident Bancorp, Inc. also owns The Provident Bank of Northern Kentucky with offices in Cold Spring and Alexandria, Ky. Provident Bancorp employs approximately 1,050 persons. Since 1980, Provident Bancorp has grown from approximately $680 million in assets to approximately $2.2 billion in assets.

Hunter Savings Association has approximately $1.2 billion in assets and is the largest savings association based in Cincinnati. Hunter has 32 offices primarily in the Cincinnati and Dayton areas and approximately 300 employees. It has grown from approximately $560 million in assets since 1980.

The capital of both Hunter and Provident is in excess of all legally mandated amounts. Deposits in Hunter and The Provident Bank are insured up to applicable limits through funds of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

It is expected that Hunter and The Provident Bank would be combined as soon as legally permitted resulting in the third largest commercial bank headquartered in Cincinnati with approximately $3 billion in assets.

Carl H. Lindner, American Financial's chairman, stated, "The consolidation of Hunter and Provident presents an exciting opportunity for the customers and employees of both of these well capitalized Cincinnati financial institutions. The combined institution would be well positioned to serve the financial needs of the Cincinnati community as we approach the twenty-first century."

Commenting on the transaction, Allen L. Davis, president of Provident Bancorp, said, "We look forward to serving the loyal customers and depositors of Hunter and working with their many talented and experienced employees upon the consolidation of Hunter and Provident."

Richard P. Belmont, president of Hunter Savings Association stated that, "This transaction would bring about the union of two strong locally focused institutions. It creates a great opportunity for our customers and employees."

Since FIRREA was signed into law in August of 1989, Provident Bancorp has actively sought the acquisition of thrifts in Ohio and Kentucky. Previously announced transactions are the pending acquisitions by Provident of Suburban Federal Savings & Loan Association in Kenton County, Ky., and Thrift Savings & Loan Association in Cincinnati.

CONTACT: Mark E. Magee of Provident Bancorp, Inc., 513-579-2861, or Sandra W. Heimann of American Financial Corporation, 513-579-2121

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NORTHVALE, NJ (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - John H. Klein, president and chief executive officer of Zenith Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ: ZENL), a New Jersey-based pharmaceutical company, announced today that it had a profit of $1,293,000 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for the second quarter increased 102.9 percent to $12,408,000 over the second quarter of 1989, and operating income for the three month period was $1,801,000 vs. an operating loss of $1,507,000 for the same period of 1989. This represents the company's best second quarter performance since 1985.

The net profit for the second quarter of $1,293,000 compares to a loss of $2,688,000 for the same period in 1989. Second quarter earnings per share were $.23 compared with a loss of $9.50 in the second quarter of 1989.

Klein stated, "The improvement in earnings is a result of an increase in net sales of profitable products, continued expansion of our customer base and overall market penetration." In the first six months of 1990, the company reported a net, after-tax profit of $1,891,000 compared to a loss of $4,555,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

CONTACT: Richard M. Shepperd of Zenith Laboratories, 201-767-1700

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#90225p4943 08/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
TULSA, OK (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Vintage Petroleum Inc. (NYSE: VPI) today reported financial results for its second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990. Total revenue was $9.6 million for the quarter, down 13 percent from the $11.0 million in the like quarter in 1989, and net income was $0.5 million, down 62 percent from the $1.3 million in the like quarter in 1989.

For the six months, Vintage reported revenues of $21.6 million and net income of $1.8 million, down 6 percent and 22 percent, respectively, compared with the like period in 1989.

Chairman and chief executive officer Charles C. Stephenson, Jr. said, "the decreases in revenues and net income during this quarter were as expected and were primarily a result of declines in oil and gas prices received by Vintage." He further stated that, "Vintage is presently receiving significantly higher oil prices due to the recent events in the Middle East which should have a favorable impact on its revenues and net income. However, due to the uncertainty surrounding such events, it is difficult

to predict the magnitude of the ultimate effect on Vintage's financial results for the balance of this year."

Vintage expects third quarter oil and gas production to increase significantly as the result of the closing of its previously announced acquisition of oil and gas properties from Chevron U.S.A. Inc., the commencement of gas sales from the company's Fruitvale Field, and the recent connection of five of its development wells to its Shawnee gathering system.

Vintage recently completed its initial public offering of 4 million common shares at $10.50 per share.

Vintage Petroleum Inc. is an independent energy company engaged in the acquisition, exploitation and development of oil and gas properties, and the marketing of natural gas and crude oil. The company is headquartered in Tulsa, and its common shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol VPI.

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DALLAS (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Southland Corp. today reported that its earnings from continuing operations before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, were $90.9 million and $122.4 million, respectively. Revenues for the two periods were virtually unchanged from the prior year at $2.15 billion and $4.09 billion, respectively.

The company reported net losses of $58.1 million and $127.5 million for the quarter and six months, respectively. Results for the six months include the recognition of an extraordinary credit of $52.0 million representing the tax benefit from the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards. This benefit is available as a result of the recognition of the tax gain from the sale of the company's remaining 50 percent interest in Citgo Petroleum Corp. during the first quarter.

During the second quarter and six months, the company's 7-Eleven and other convenience stores increased average merchandise sales per comparable store month by 2.50 percent and 3.04 percent respectively. Total merchandise gross profits increased 1.0 percent for the six months and declined slightly for the quarter. Total retail gasoline gross profits declined for both the quarter and the six months due to fewer gasoline locations and lower per-gallon margin that more than offset increases in average gallons sold per store.

On July 16th, Southland announced a revised plan to restructure its outstanding public debt and preferred stock. The plan calls for Ito-Yokado and 7-Eleven Japan, two longstanding Southland business partners, to make a cash infusion of $430 million into Southland in exchange for 70 percent of new Southland common stock. Bondholders and preferred shareholders will receive a total of approximately 25 percent of Southland's common stock, and Southland's existing shareholders will retain approximately five percent of the common stock, subject to the consummation of the exchange offers.

Southland is the world's largest convenience retailer, with approximately 6,800 7-Eleven and other convenience units supported by the five Southland Distribution Centers, as well as the Southland Foods Division's six food centers. In addition, area licensees and affiliates operate almost 6,100 7-Eleven stores in the United States, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico and 18 foreign countries.

This announcement does not constitute an offer to sell or to buy any security or the solicitation of any consents or proxies, which offers and consent or proxy solicitation shall only be made by means of a proxy statement/prospectus.

CONTACT: Cecilia Stubbs Norwood, 214-828-7272 or Markeeta McNatt, 214-828-7587, both of Southland Corp.

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PHOENIX, Ariz. (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - StatesWest Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ: SWAL), operating as USAir Express for the Western United States, announced today that the 10 percent fare increase scheduled to be effected Tuesday, Aug. 14 will not go into effect.

Rudy R. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer said, "The fuel related fares have been revised to 5.3 percent increase in short-haul markets." Miller concluded, "The earlier 10 percent increase will be retained only in the deep-discounted long-haul markets. These fare adjustments will be effective Wednesday Aug. 15."

StatesWest operates one of the newest fleets of regional prop-jet aircraft in the United States. Present destinations include the Southern California locations of Burbank, Los Angeles, Orange County, San Diego and Santa Barbara, along with the Arizona cities of Phoenix, Tucson, Lake Havasu City, Sierra Vista/Ft. Huachuca, and Laughlin, Nev./Bullhead City, Ariz. StatesWest will operate approximately 100 daily departures beginning Aug. 15 when service is added to the California cities of Bakersfield, Monterey, Sacramento and San Francisco.

CONTACT: Rudy R. Miller or Mary A. Nance, both of The Miller Group, 602-225-0504, for StatesWest Airlines Inc.

-30- 1433

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VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Gold Corp. (NASDAQ: CNTVF; Vancouver, Toronto: CNT) announced today that Placer Dome Inc. and five of Continental's shareholders, four of which are also directors of Continental, have entered into an Agreement regarding the tendering of their shares in the event of a take-over bid for Continental Gold shares.

The Agreement proves that, if Placer Dome makes a bid on specified terms for all of the shares of Continental on or before Oct. 22, 1990, these shareholders will cause an aggregate of 2,674,282 shares of Continental to be tendered, equivalent to approximately 30 percent of Continental's 9,127,348 outstanding common shares on a fully diluted basis.

The Agreement also provides that, in the event Placer Dome makes a bid, the consideration to be paid to all Continental's shareholders will not be less than $20.00 cash per Continental share, or, at the option of the Continental shareholder, one Placer Dome common share for each common share of Continental. It is expected that any bid will be conditional on Placer Dome obtaining a majority of Continental shares and on no material adverse change occurring in the affairs of Continental.

Placer Dome is not obligated to make a bid unless it is able to arrange for a settlement of Continental's outstanding litigation with BP Resources Canada Limited which commenced in October, 1989, and which is scheduled for trial on Nov. 5, 1990. Placer Dome's obligation to make a bid is also subject to certain other conditions including the obtaining of any necessary regulatory approvals in Canada and the United States.

Goepel Shields & Partner Inc. is acting as financial advisor to Continental Gold Corp. in connection with any bid which may be forthcoming from Placer Dome.

Continental Gold Corp. is a British Columbia company listed on the Vancouver and Toronto Stock Exchanges and trades on NASDAQ in the United States. Its principal asset is a 69.84 percent interest in the Mt. Milligan gold-copper property, in north-central British Columbia.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Baltimore - Recalled catcher Chris Hoiles from Rochester of the International League (AAA); sent pitcher Mickey Weston to Rochester.

Boston - Activated pitcher Wes Gardner; placed pitcher Jerry Reed on waivers for the purpose of giving him his unconditional release.

San Francisco - Released pitcher Atlee Hammaker; recalled outfielder Rick Parker from Phoenix of the Pacific Coast League (AAA).

FOOTBALL

New Orleans - Agreed to terms with tackle Stan Brock.

Seattle - Signed linebacker Darren Comeaux to a 1-year contract.

Washington - Agreed to terms with linebacker Ravin Caldwell on a 3-year contract.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Ready 2b	3	1	0	0	DeShields 2b	2	2	1	0
Thon ss	4	1	1	1	DaMartnz cf	3	2	3	5
VHayes cf	3	1	1	0	Raines lf	3	1	1	1
Murphy rf	4	0	1	2	Wallach 3b	3	0	1	0
CHayes 3b	4	0	0	0	Walker rf	3	0	1	0
CMartinez lf	4	0	0	0	Grissom ph	0	0	0	0
Jordan 1b	3	0	0	0	Aldrete ph	1	0	0	0
Nieto c	2	0	0	0	Nixon cf	0	0	0	0
DeJesus p	1	0	0	0	Galarrag 1b	4	0	0	0
Ruffin p	1	0	0	0	Goff c	3	0	1	0
Herr ph	1	0	0	0	Owen ss	4	0	0	0
Cook p	0	0	0	0	Nabholz p	1	1	0	0
McDowell p	0	0	0	0	Burke p	1	0	0	0
Totals	30	3	3	3	Totals	28	6	8	6

Philadelphia 000 201 000- 3
Montreal 203 100 00x- 6

DP-Philadelphia 2. LOB-Philadelphia 3, Montreal 5. 2B-VHayes.

HR-DaMartinez 2 (11), Raines (4), Thon (7). SB-DeShields (32), Walker (14)
DaMar- tinez (11), Raines (35).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
DeJesus (L 3-4)	3	5	5	5	3	4
Ruffin	3	2	1	1	1	3
Cook	1-3	0	0	0	3	0
McDowell	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Montreal						
Nabholz (W 1-0)	5 1-3	3	3	3	2	3
Burke (S 14)	3 2-3	0	0	0	1	3

PB-Goff. T-2:40. A-29,186.

Umpires-Home, Quick; 1b, Hohn; 2b, Rennert; 3b, Bonin.

ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Coleman lf	5	1	2	0	Backman 3b	4	0	1	0
OSmith ss	4	2	3	1	Bell ss	3	0	0	0
Wilson 3b	4	0	0	0	Ryal lf	4	0	0	0
Zeile c	5	2	2	2	Bonilla rf	4	0	2	0
Hudler rf	5	1	3	2	Bonds cf	4	0	0	0
Pagnozzi 1b	4	0	3	1	Bream 1b	3	0	0	0
Collins 1b	1	0	0	0	LaValliere c	3	0	1	0
Thompson cf	5	0	3	0	Lind 2b	3	0	1	0
Oquendo 2b	4	0	1	0	Smiley p	1	0	0	0
Tewksbury p	4	0	0	0	Bair p	0	0	0	0
					Cangelosi ph	1	0	0	0
					Belinda p	0	0	0	0
					Patterson p	0	0	0	0
					Redus ph	1	0	1	0
					Ross p	0	0	0	0
Totals	41	6	17	6	Totals	31	0	6	0

St. Louis	003 000 120- 6
Pittsburgh	000 000 000- 0

DP-Pittsburgh 1. LOB-St. Louis 13, Pittsburgh 5. 2B-Pagnozzi, Bonilla, Zeile, Hudler. 3B-Coleman, Hudler. HR-Zeile (12). SB-OSmith 3 (23). S-Bell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Tewksbury (W 7-3)	9	6	0	0	0	4

Pittsburgh							
Smiley (L 5-6)	3	2-3	8	3	3	2	1
Bair	2	1-3	3	0	0	0	2
Belinda		1-3	3	1	1	0	0
Patterson	1	2-3	3	2	2	1	0
Ross		1	0	0	0	1	0

HBP-by Smiley (Coleman). WP-Bair. Balk-Patterson. T-2:36. A-30,335.

Umpires-Home, Pulli; 1b, Rippley; 2b, Darling; 3b, Hirschbeck.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Sharpersn 3b	3	1	2	0	McDowell cf	4	1	0	0
Gibson cf	4	1	0	0	Treadway 2b	4	1	2	0
Gonzalez ph	1	0	1	0	Gant lf	4	1	2	2
Searage p	0	0	0	0	Justice rf	4	0	1	1
Gott p	0	0	0	0	Gregg 1b	3	0	1	0
Daniels lf	3	2	2	0	Cabrera 1b	1	0	0	0
Murray 1b	4	2	2	2	Whitt c	3	0	1	0
Hatcher 1b	1	0	0	0	Blauser ss	4	0	1	0
Brooks rf	4	1	2	3	Lemke 3b	4	0	1	0
Gwynn rf	1	0	0	0	Glavine p	1	0	0	0
Dempsey c	4	0	1	2	Luecken p	0	0	0	0
Samuel 2b	1	0	0	0	Bell ph	1	0	0	0
Griffin ss	3	0	0	0	Henry p	0	0	0	0
Harris 3b	1	0	0	0	Vatcher ph	1	0	1	0
Neidlinger p	3	0	0	0	Clary p	0	0	0	0
Javier cf	1	0	0	0					
Totals	34	7	10	7	Totals	34	3	10	3

Los Angeles	300 400 000- 7
Atlanta	000 002 010- 3

DP-Los Angeles 3, Atlanta 2. LOB- Los Angeles 7, Atlanta 5. 2B-Dempsey.
HR-Brooks (14), Gant (21). SB-Gibson (13), Sharperson 2 (11).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Neidlinger (W 1-1)	7	7	2	2	0	4
Searage	2-3	3	1	1	0	1
Gott (S 2)	1 1-3	0	0	0	1	1
Atlanta						
Glavine (L 6-9)	4	8	7	7	5	4
Luecken	1	0	0	0	1	0

Henry	3	2	0	0	1	1
Clary	1	0	0	0	0	2

T-2:47. A-22,698.

Umpires-Home, Harvey; 1b, Hallion; 2b, DeMuth; 3b, gregg.

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	4	1	2	0	Davis cf	5	1	1	0
Litton rf	4	0	0	0	O'Neill rf	4	1	1	0
Oliveras p	0	0	0	0	Larkin ss	5	0	1	1
Alvarez ph	1	0	0	0	Benzinger lf	3	2	1	0
Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0	Winnnghm lf	0	0	0	0
Clark 1b	4	1	2	0	Myers p	0	0	0	0
Mitchell lf	5	0	1	1	Morris 1b	2	2	2	2
Williams 3b	4	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	4	0	1	1
Carter c	2	0	0	1	Duncan 2b	3	0	1	1
Thompsn 2b	4	2	1	1	Oliver c	3	0	1	1
Anderson ss	4	0	2	0	Browning p	2	0	0	0
Garrelts p	2	0	0	0	Dibble p	0	0	0	0
Bathe ph	1	0	1	0	Hatcher lf	0	0	0	0
Kingery rf	1	0	1	1					
Totals	36	4	10	4	Totals	31	6	9	6

San Francisco	012 000 010- 4
Cincinnati	401 000 10x- 6

E-Bedrosian. DP-San Francisco 1. LOB-San Francisco 10, Cincinnati 9.
2B-Larkin, Mitchell. 3B-Benzinger. HR- Thompson (12), Morris (6). SB-Sabo (24), Thompson (10). S-Browning. SF- Carter.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Garrelts (L 9-9)	5	7	5	5	2	0
Oliveras	2	2	1	1	2	2
Bedrosian	1	0	0	0	2	0
Cincinnati						
Browning (W 12-6)	6 1-3	8	3	3	3	1
Dibble	1 1-3	1	1	1	1	1
Myers (S 23)	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	2

HBP-by Garrelts (Benzinger). T-2:40. A-40,134.

Umpires-Home, Barnes; 1b, Marsh; 2b, Wendelstedt; 3b, West.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Walton cf	3	0	1	2	Boston cf	4	1	1	0
Wynne cf	1	1	1	0	Magadan 1b	4	0	0	0
Sandberg 2b	5	1	1	2	Jefferies 2b	4	1	2	1
Wilkerson 2b	1	0	0	0	Strawbrry rf	3	0	1	0
Grace 1b	4	2	3	2	Teufel ph	0	0	0	0
Salazar lf	5	0	0	0	Johnson ss	4	0	0	0
Dunston ss	5	2	3	0	Carreon lf	4	0	1	1
Ramos 3b	5	2	3	1	O'Malley 3b	3	0	0	0
Girardi c	5	1	1	1	Mercado ph	1	0	0	0
Dascenzo rf	5	0	2	1	Sasser c	2	0	0	0
Harkey p	4	1	2	1	Pena p	0	0	0	0
Smith ph	1	0	0	0	Torve ph	1	0	0	0
Williams p	0	0	0	0	Franco p	0	0	0	0
					Viola p	1	0	0	0
					Trevino c	2	0	1	0
Totals	44	10	17	10	Totals	33	2	6	2

Chicago	141 010 030- 10
New York	100 000 001- 2

DP-New York 1. LOB-Chicago 10, New York 5. 2B-Dunston, Trevino, Dascenzo.
HR-Grace (4), Sandberg (27). SB-Boston (11), Dunston (14).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Harkey (W 11-5)	8	4	1	1	0	4
Williams	1	2	1	1	1	1
New York						
Viola (L 15-7)	5	10	7	6	0	3
Pena	3	5	3	3	2	1
Franco	1	2	0	0	0	1

HBP-by Pena (Walton). PB-Sasser. T -2:34. A-46,538.

Umpires-Home, Davidson; 1b, Reliford; 2b, Williams; 3b, McSherry.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts lf	4	3	2	0	Yelding cf	4	0	0	0
Alomar 2b	5	2	1	1	Doran 2b	2	0	1	0
Gwynn rf	5	2	3	2	Oberkfell ph	1	0	0	0
Carter cf	4	0	0	1	Caminiti 3b	3	0	1	0
Santiago c	4	1	2	2	Wilson rf	2	0	0	0
Stephensn 1b	4	0	0	1	Candaele rf	2	0	0	0

Pagliarul 3b	4	0	0	0	Biggio c	3	0	2	0
Templetn ss	3	1	1	0	Gedman c	0	0	0	0
Abner cf	1	0	1	0	Davidson lf	3	0	0	0
Lilliquist p	4	0	0	0	Nichols 1b	3	0	0	0
					Ramirez ss	3	0	0	0
					Gullickson p	1	0	0	0
					Rohde ph	1	0	0	0
					Fisher p	0	0	0	0
					Rhodes ph	1	0	0	0
					Hernandez p	0	0	0	0
Totals	38	9	10	7	Totals	29	0	4	0

San Diego 104 001 300- 9
Houston 000 000 000- 0

E-Yelding, Nichols 2. DP-Houston 1. LOB-San Diego 6, Houston 4.
2B-Santiago. SF-Stephenson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Lilliquist (W 3-8)	9	4	0	0	2	3
Houston						
Gullickson (L 8-9)	6	4	6	4	3	1
Fisher	2	4	3	2	0	1
Hernandez	1	2	0	0	0	0

PB-Biggio. T-2:29. A-14,714.

Umpires-Home, Rapuano; 1b, Winters; 2b, Davis; 3b, Runge.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - What was this about a two-team race in the NL East?

While the New York Mets and the Pittsburgh Pirates continued to spin their wheels Sunday, the streaking Montreal Expos downed the Philadelphia Phillies 6-3 to draw within 5 1-2 games of first place.

''Basically, the Mets and us have played the rest of the league back into the race,'' said Pirates Manager Jim Leyland after his club had been shut out 6-0 by the St. Louis Cardinals to stay one-half game behind the Mets. ''Montreal is hotter than heck, we woke them up.''

Dave Martinez drove in five runs with a pair of two-run homers and a single and rookie Chris Nabholz got his first major-league decison to send

Montreal to its fifth straight win.

Nabholz, who was called up from Class AAA Indianapolis before the game, worked 5 2-3 innings before giving way to Tim Burke, who picked his 14th save.

''Chris had good stuff and he should improve his next time out,'' Montreal Manager Buck Rodgers said. ''His record in Indianapolis (0-6) doesn't mean a thing because he proved he can pitch.

''I guess I am the designated Phillies pitcher,'' said Nabholz, who has gotten both of his starts against Philadelphia. ''I think I threw better the last time I faced them in Philadelphia (a no-decision on June 11). I had better control then. But it helped to be up five runs.''

''Our pitching is getting stronger both in starting and relieving,'' Rodgers said. ''We are still in the race.''

The Mets and Pirates are helping the Expos out.

A bad decision and a terrible outing by Frank Viola helped the Chicago Cubs pound New York 10-2, sending the division leaders to their sixth loss in their last nine games.

With the score tied 1-1 in the second inning, Shawon Dunston and Domingo Ramos singled, putting runners on first and third. Joe Girardi grounded to third baseman Tom O'Malley, who threw home instead of trying to go around the horn.

But he left Dunston time to scramble back to third, leaving none out and the bases loaded.

''I was thinking double-play,'' O'Malley said. ''It was just a reaction when he hit the ball. Obviously we've got to get one out. He hit it off his hands, so it wasn't an automatic double play. I should have gone for two.''

Chicago went on to score four runs in the inning and pin the loss on Viola 15-7.

After starting the season with seven straight wins, the left-hander has struggled. Since the All-Star break, Viola has won just two of six decisions, with a 4.17 ERA.

The Mets, however, hung on to their slim division lead because Pittsburgh is having its own problems.

The Cardinals pounded out a season-high 17 hits to hand the Pirates their

fifth straight loss.

''We are dead right now,'' said Leyland after watching his club get handcuffed by Bob Tewksbury, 7-3. ''We're flat, moving slow, not crisp. We're not hitting, not pitching, not catching the ball. That is what adds up to losses.''

''Those guys (Pirates) hurt us bad last year down the stretch,'' said Todd Zeile, who had five hits in the series and three RBI in St. Louis's three-game sweep. ''We wanted to come in here and play hard against them. There's still the third place spot to shoot for.''

... And the first place spot, too, it seems.

Elsewhere in the National League: Cincinnati topped San Francisco 6-4, Los Angeles belted Atlanta 7-3, and San Diego clubbed Houston 9-0.

In the American League it was: Minnesota 5, Toronto 4; Cleveland 9, Detroit 5; Kansas City 7, Milwaukee 1; Baltimore 11, California 6; Oakland 6, New York 1; Boston 7, Seattle 2; Texas at Chicago was postponed due to rain.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Reds 6, Giants 4

At Cincinnati, Hal Morris singled home a run in Cincinnati's four-run first and added a solo homer to help the Reds open up a 5 1/2-game lead in the NL West. Cincinnati has won two of the first three games of the four-game set that finishes Monday. Tom Browning improved to 12-6.

Padres 9, Astros 0

At Houston, Derek Lilliquist allowed four singles en route to his first major league shutout and complete game. Lilliquist, 3-8, was acquired in a July 12 trade with Atlanta. San Diego has won 16 of its last 21 games.

Dodgers 7, Braves 3

At Atlanta, Hubie Brooks belted a three-run home run to help Jim Neidlinger earn his first major league victory in his third start. Jim Gott earned his second save. Tom Glavine, 6-9, took the loss.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 13) UPI - The Mount Greenwood neighborhood boys on the city's far South Side say they're tired of seeing bodies like Sylvester

Stallone's, so they've taken things into their own hands. And their mouths. And their stomachs.

These are no 98-pound weaklings. As a matter of fact, an entrant to the First Annual Fat Party had to weigh at least 225 pounds, as verified by a scale, to get inside the door.

A dozen people with a combined weight of more than 3,000 pounds gathered Saturday at Bob Gill's home for a 12-hour siege of eating to ''celebrate the beauty of bigness.''

Gill lived to tell about it Sunday after a meal of steak, crab meat twice-baked potaotes, chicken wings, two types of sausage and corn on the cob. There was plenty of beer to wash it all down.

The party moved to a local tavern in the midst of the Chicago Bears pre-season game to take advantage of free spaghetti.

''This place is the best. It has the widest doors of any joint on 111th Street,'' said Joe Murphy. ''Now we'd like to see wider seats on CTA (Chicago Transit Authority) buses ... and more fat women in Chicago.''

Terry McNamara was the biggest entrant at 360-375 pounds, but Gill said some of the ''superheavies'' couldn't make it because of a birthday party. The traveling entourage rectified that by stopping by the friend's house to share some birthday cake.

Along the way, Gill said the big boys who grew up in the neighborhood headed to a local swimming pool for ''a cannonball contest - biggest splash takes all.''

''We're tired of seeing Sylvester Stallone (types) beaching their bodies around the neighborhood this summer. We want our respect,'' said Gill.

The winner was the man who gained the most weight. That turned out to be Frank Stack, who put on 4.5 pounds.

Gill, who said the group came up with the idea a month ago while at a local tavern, said ''why not'' if next year will include the Second Annual Fat Party.

''It was done for a laugh. It turned out to be a good time.''

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 13) UPI - On the fringe of the windswept Arabian Desert, a high-tech archeological effort has pierced cascading sand dunes to

reveal what may be the remnants of a lost civilization.

Using computer-enhanced radar images transmitted from space, scientists have uncovered clues in Oman's Rub al Khali desert to the burial place of a legendary society believed to be the bustling hub of the world's frankincense trade 5,000 years ago.

Known as Ad, the civilization is chronicled in the Koran and mentioned in the tales of ''The Arabian Nights,'' among others. There are indirect references to the region in the Bible. It is likely that the wise men who bore gifts to the infant Jesus carried frankincense traded there.

Members of a California-based scientific expedition claim this summer to have discovered links to Ad literally buried in the sands of time.

''The clues are tantalizing,'' said George Hedges, a Los Angeles attorney and part-time explorer who is a member of the expedition sponsored by oil magnate Armand Hammer and backed by the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena. The expedition included an archaeologist, a geologist, a computer scientist, a documentary filmmaker and renowned British explorer Sir Ranulph Fiennes, a co-leader of the project.

Hedges said his crew surveyed geological evidence of a buried trail that was likely one of the routes used by camel-riding frankincense traders. He said they also stumbled upon what may be artifacts from Ad.

Hedges said he hopes the now-barren land of high-rise sand dunes eventually will yield the once-thriving city of Ubar, a main frankincense shipping center operated by the people of Ad and described by adventurer T.E. Lawrence as ''the Atlantis of the sands.''

''This was an initial shipping point for frankincense, which was an extremely important trade commodity in the ancient world and found markets as far away as China and Rome,'' Hedges said.

Frankincense, an aromatic resin produced from the sap of trees indigenous to East Africa and the Middle East, was once a coveted incense. It was used by emperors and common folk alike in ceremonies and religious rituals including imperial processions and cremations.

The Ads' lucrative trading society lasted roughly from 3000 B.C. to the 1st century A.D. It died a victim of economic, political and climatic forces that coincided with a drop in demand for the fragrance and the rise of Christianity, which preached burying bodies instead of burning them.

Eventually the villages of Ad were buried by encroaching tides of sand, which now rise like mountains 200 to 600 feet high.

Although historical or scholarly writings on the subject are scarce and many - because of the lack of ruins - thought the Ad civilization was mythical, members of the expedition had always believed the Ads lived somewhere in the sprawling Rub al Khali desert.

Space-age technology made it possible to try to pinpoint the Ad city and trade routes.

Unlike British explorer Bertram Thomas, who had tried in the 1930s to map the area but gave up after finding himself isolated amid the sand dunes with no water in sight, the team was able to use sophisticated computers and radar images generated by satellites as their compass.

''We applied new techniques to help define where we should begin looking '' said Ronald Blom, a senior scientist at JPL who joined the expedition. ''It's impossible to search the whole desert, so we helped to target the approximate location for the archaeologists to start looking.''

Studying satellite topography images generated by computer, Blom and JPL assistant director Charles Elachi were able to distinguish at least one 100-yard-wide hoof-trodden path lying under tons of sand, which they believe was one in a network of roads that cut across the desert.

''It's very subtle. The ground has been worn away ever so slightly into the desert floor,'' Blom said. ''We found modern tracks and ancient ones. The new ones go around the dunes, the old ones go under them.''

Although the Ad team had been planning for six years to explore the region they had not intended to start excavating until January 1991. But they stumbled upon 900 pottery shards and flint pieces and the trade route during a three-week ''reconnaissance'' in July.

Because of high-powered desert winds, the team could not stay longer and left the artifacts with the Oman Department of National Heritage until the expedition returns.

''We hope during the main expedition that we can definitely prove these legendary people existed,'' Hedges said.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Detroit at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.

Toronto at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Texas at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
Boston at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.
Baltimore at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.
New York at California, 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
San Francisco at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Atlanta, 7:40 p.m.
Houston at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.

Edmonton, Alberta - World Championships

BASKETBALL

Argentina - Men's World Championships

BOXING

Fort Huachuca, Ariz. - U.S. Junior Championships.

FOOTBALL

NFL EXHIBITION
NY Giants at Buffalo, 8 p.m.

ROLLER SKATING

Pensacola, Fla. - U.S. Indoor Speed Championships

SHOOTING

Moscow - World Championships

TENNIS

Indianapolis - Men's $1 million U.S. Men's Hardcourt Championships
New Haven, Conn. - Men's $1 million Volvo International
Manhattan Beach, Calif. - Women's $350,000 Virginia Slims of Los Angeles

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#90225u0141 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
PARIS (AUG. 13) UPI - Penelope Nabokov, the American girl stranded in Kuwait during the Iraqi invasion, was reunited with her parents and said she felt safe throughout the weeklong ordeal except for once when she ''got hysterical.''

''I felt safe because people were taking good care of me,'' the 10-year-old girl said Sunday at a hastily called news conference in Paris.

Seated between her parents, the youngster thanked the crew of the British Airways flight she was taking that was grounded in Kuwait, and U.S. Embassy staff in Baghdad who accompanied her on a 17-hour road journey into Jordan.

She described her treatment by Iraqi troops as ''nice,'' adding that an officer from the Iraqi army offered her water in the searing heat.

The sandy-haired girl from Albany, Calif., wearing a lavender print dress, fielded questions from reporters and appeared poised despite the week's tribulations.

''A lot of us felt we would get out the second day,'' she said. ''On the third day, the hostesses started freaking out, and that got me even more scared, and that's when I got hysterical.''

The child and others aboard the flight were virtual captives at an airport hotel in Kuwait for the first part of the ordeal. There, Penelope became aware of the gravity of the situation.

''I realized I was trapped in a war zone when we moved to the airport hotel, and from my window we could see all the troops going into the airport grounds, lots of troops and tanks,'' she said.

She was taken to Baghdad by bus and train with other passengers from the British Airways flight, and was placed in a hotel with other Americans. In the Iraqi capital, she was able to make contact with U.S. diplomats.

After several days in Iraq, Penelope was taken by U.S. diplomats and dependents in a six-car convoy across the desert to Amman, Jordan. The trip took 17 hours, she said, ''including the waiting.''

Penelope was nearly turned back at the border because embassy personnel did not place her name on a telex list of diplomats who were to leave the country. Although border guards hesitated, she said, ''Finally, they let me go anyway. They stamped my passport.''

From Amman she flew to Paris on an Air France flight.

Her father, Peter Nabokov, an archaeologist, flew to Paris from California. The girl's mother, Isabelle Nabokov, arrived from India, where she was studying village culture.

Penelope had been visiting her grandparents in France and was on her way

to join her mother and to attend school in India when her flight was grounded in Kuwait as a result of the invasion.

''I'm anxious to get to Madras (in India) to go to school,'' she said.

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#90225u0167 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Kuwait's ousted government has asked the White House to enforce U-N sanctions against Iraq. Presidential news secretary Marlin Fitzwater says Washington plans to respond to the Kuwaiti request by having American forces in the Persian Gulf area intercept Iraqi vessels. Bush administration officials refused to refer to the planned action as a blockade, saying instead that it was a possible method of enforcing the U-N embargo.

The situation in the Middle East continues to have a negative impact on the world's financial markets. The Monday morning session at the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed with the key price indicator slipping by 763 yen. The slide brought the Nikkei Average to less than 27-thousand yen, its lowest level since April 1988. The Nikkei has lost nearly 14 percent of its value since the August 2nd Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Oil industry analyst Trilby Lundberg says the public perception of gas retailers as price-gougers is NOT accurate. In a survey of more than 13-thousand retail gasoline outlets across the country, Lundberg found that prices at the pump have risen 10 cents a gallon from prices three weeks ago. But she says retailers have lost nearly one cent of profit margin since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. The average price of a gallon is about a dollar-28.

The head of the Red Cross in Lebanon tells U-P-I that his group has NOT received confirmation of the reported release Monday of a Swiss Red Cross worker. The worker was taken captive 10 months ago. A group calling itself the Palestinian Revolutionary Cells Organization issued a statement claiming thatit had freed Elio Erriquez. Last week, the group freed a Red Cross worker taken hostage with Erriquez.

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#90225u0168 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Jury selection is scheduled to begin Monday in Painesville, Ohio, in the aggravated murder trial of cult-leader Jeffrey Lundgren. Lundgren is accused of orchestrating and carrying out the massacre of five members of one family in the Spring of 1989. Defense lawyers have called for a change of venue... claiming that the recent conviction of Lundgren's wife on related charges rules out an impartial jury.

A group of Chicago men got together Sunday to chew the fat. A baker's dozen of some portly chums from the Mount Greenwood neighborhood was on hand to take part in the First Annual Fat Party. But, bear in mind that the gathering was NOT for the faint of heart. Organizers decided that a person would have to tip the scale at at least 225 pounds to qualify. The day of activities centered, as you may have guessed, around food stuffs.

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#90225u0251 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Around the world... around the clock, U-P-I has the latest news.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says he would consider negotiating a settlement in Kuwait if Israel first withdraws from the occupied territories... the United States pulls out of Saudi Arabia... and a trade embargo against Baghdad is lifted. The Bush administration flatly rejects the proposal.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the United States, along with the United Nations, is calling for the immediate, UNconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait. The White House also says the United States, acting on a request from Kuwait's exiled leader, ''will do whatever is necessary'' to intercept shipments of oil and other vital goods in and out of Iraq.

A 10-year-old California girl who was stranded in Kuwait and then detained in Baghdad with other Americans has been reunited with her parents. Penelope Nabokov joined her parents in Paris last night after a week-long ordeal that included a 17-hour road journey across the desert into Jordan.

F-A-A officials say a Continental Airlines Boeing 727 made an emergency landing in Bozeman, Montana, last night after one of three engines caught fire. The incident occurred shortly after the plane took off from Bozeman en route to Denver with 157 people aboard. The plane landed safely, and NO injuries were reported.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry has until midnight tonight to decide whether he'll run for re-election as an independent or seek an at-large seat on the City Council. Barry was convicted last week on one misdemeanor cocaine charge out of 14 federal charges. He said earlier he would NOT seek a fourth mayoral term.

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#90225u0269 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Army troops have been called in to help fight hundreds of

wildfires in seven Western states. Fire crews made steady but slow progress against the blazes yesterday. About 20-thousand firefighters are on the lines in California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Washington. More than 400-thousand acres have burned.

Pakistani authorities say they have detained 10 members of ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's party. The care-taker government says it's setting up special tribunals to investigate charges of corruption and nepotism against officials of Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party and others.

A Liberian government spokesman says President Samuel Doe will retain power for at least one year after an African peace-keeping force intervenes in the nation's bloody civil war. The spokesman made the statement to three Western reporters who were beaten by government soldiers and accused of being spies, but later released.

A New York judge yesterday told the jury in the Central Park jogger rape trial that people who commit a crime together are equally guilty. The judge's comments were a response to the panel's request that he explain the theory of ''acting in concert.'' The jury is deliberating the fate of three youths charged in the case.

The F-B-I is investigating private Navy contractors whose boats allegedly ran over two dolphin protection activists. The incident occurred 85 miles west of Key West, Florida, Friday during a protest against underwater explosive testing. One of the injured protesters trained dolphins for the television series ''Flipper.''

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#90225u0330 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (AUG. 13) UPI - An earthquake measuring 4.9 on the Richter scale Monday rocked portions of the Iranian province of Gilan, site of the devastating June 21 temblor, Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency reported.

The earthquake shook Roudbar at 9:48 a.m. and also was felt slightly in Rasht, the provincial capital, IRNA reported.

There was no immediate word on damage or casualties.

The 4.9 quake's epicenter was about 130 miles northwest of Tehran, Tehran University's geophysics center told IRNA.

The June 21 earthquake, which the U.S. Geological Survey measured at 7.7 on the Richter scale, killed at least 50,000 people, left 500,000 homeless and injured thousands.

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#90225u0335 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 13) UPI - Thunderstorms soaked the eastern Mojave Desert Monday, threatening two interstate highways that run through the normally bone-dry area, and storms also hit Texas and Indiana.

Strong thunderstorms with heavy rainfall covered much of the north and west Texas panhandle and parts of eastern New Mexico early Monday, dumping up to an inch of rain in some areas, the National Weather Service said.

The storms stretched east to the Oklahoma state line and caused flooding in low-lying areas of the towns of Dalhart and Cactus in the extreme northern reaches of Texas, local authorities said.

Heavy rains soaked the Mojave as thunderstorms hit Needles and surrounding sparsely populated areas near the Nevada-California border.

Forecasters warned the storms could produce wind gusts up to 45 mph and drivers on interstates 40 and 15 were warned to take extra caution because of low visibility, heavy rain and the possibility of flooding.

Nearly three-quarters of an inch of rain fell at Indianapolis Airport during an hour of strong storms Monday. The thunderstorms were moving quickly eastward toward eastern Indiana.

Thunderstorms, some with heavy rain, hit northwest and north-central Arkansas, leading forecasters to warn campers along the Buffalo River to be on the alert for rising waters.

High pressure kept the South relatively clear. Temperatures were generally in the 90s under sunny skies Sunday. Montgomery, Ala., had a 100-degree reading and Jackson, Miss., 97.

A strong low pressure center approaching the Pacific Northwest was expected to bring welcome relief for crews battling Oregon and Washington's wildfires.

Thousands of firefighters gained ground on hundreds of wildfires burning over the drought-parched West, where smoke obscured some of the most famous scenery in the world, the spires and domes of Yosemite National Park.

Fire had blackened more than 400,000 acres - about 625 square miles - in seven Western states by Sunday night, and an estimated 20,000 firefighters were on the lines.

Fires were also burning in Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and

Washington. Most were started by dry lightning, and officials said tens of thousands of strikes were reported in the last several days.

It was only 99 degrees in Las Vegas Sunday but expected to climb back into triple digits Monday with a 105 reading forecast. The heat will be accompanied by scattered thundershowers.

Heavy rains hit parts of Western Pennsylvania Monday morning and clear skies gave way to fog over much of the Middle Atlantic region.

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#90225u0473 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, under fire from many Arab governments because of his invasion of Kuwait, said Monday his critics were under foreign influence and urged Iraqis to support other Arabs despite their rulers.

The appeal came a day after Saddam announced a three-point initiative to end the Persian Gulf crisis, calling for the unconditional and immediate withdrawal of Israel from the occupied territories and removal of Syria's presence in Lebanon before negotiations on ''arrangements'' for Kuwait could begin.

Saddam said if the United States did not accept his proposals, Iraq would ''strongly resist with force ... its aggressive plans.''

The United States and Israel quickly rejected Saddam's plan, which also called for the end of an economic boycott against Iraq, removal of U.S. and foreign forces from Saudi Arabia and replacement of those troops with a U.N.-organized all-Arab force excluding Egypt.

The commander of the U.S military efforts in the Middle East said Sunday deployment of U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia was running ahead of schedule in the operation aimed at fending off any Iraqi attack.

While Iraq continued Saddam's appeal to the Arab masses to fight foreign intervention in the gulf, Egypt said Saddam's initiative contradicted the decision of the divided Arab League for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, which Iraq invaded Aug. 2 in an oil and border dispute.

Boutros Ghali, Egypt's minister of state for foreign affairs, said despite little chance for peace, efforts must be exerted to find a peaceful solution to the crisis.

Iraq has stepped up criticism of the Egyptian government - President Hosni Mubarak specifically - since the Arab League decided Friday to deploy a pan-Arab force to Saudi Arabia and the gulf. Mubarak is sending a reported

3,000 Egyptian troops to the region as the first contingent in the all-Arab force.

Saddam, who has declared a holy war on the West, has urged uprisings against Arab leaders he described as corrupt.

Monday, Saddam said in a statement carried by the Iraqi News Agency that Iraqis should treat all Arabs equally regardless of their rulers' attitudes because ''many of (the leaders) are of foreign choosing.''

''They are our sons, brothers, and support them in the face of treason and deviation,'' Saddam said.

In special weekend broadcasts on Iraqi Radio aimed at Egyptian listeners, Iraq had urged Egyptians to rise up and hit ''imperialists and Zionist interests everywhere on Egyptian soil.''

The broadcasts, similar to programs introduced after the late Egyptian President Anwar Sadat visited Jerusalem in 1977, urged Egyptians to stop foreign powers from passing through the Suez Canal and to defend the Islamic holy cities of Mecca and Medina from desecration.

The appeals called on Egyptians to evaluate Mubarak's actions, allowing foreign fleets to use the waterway to ''invade Arab lands and conquer our brothers.'' Foreign ships have passed through the Suez Canal on their way to the gulf, including a French frigate on Monday.

''It is paid agentry and treason,'' one broadcast said. ''It is a conspiracy and a betrayal of the Egyptian people, of Egypt's conscience and of Egypt's role. Can this go unpunished while we watch Arab destiny being determined at the hands of agents?''

Despite an estimated 170,000-strong Iraqi force in Kuwait, Cairo Radio reported a group calling itself the Kuwaiti National Resistance Movement announced it would step up attacks within the occupied country. Iraq has denied a report it had executed the former speaker of the Kuwaiti National Assembly, Ahmad Saadun.

The issue of whether foreigners may leave Iraq and Kuwait remained cloudy Monday. Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz said late Sunday all foreigners ''were safe and secure'' and travel restrictions were ''precautionary and temporary,'' INA reported.

The Bulgarian news agency, BTA, has reported more than 350 Bulgarians would be allowed to leave Kuwait after an agreement was reached with Iraq.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 13) UPI - President Corazon Aquino ordered Monday the implementation of energy conservation measures, fearing an increase in petroleum prices following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Aquino also formed a seven-member group to respond to the oil situation.

In ordering conservation measures, Aquino cited ''the very fluid political situation in the Middle East brought about by the invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait by Iraq.''

The measures include a 5 to 10 percent reduction by government agencies in monthly energy consumption, limiting use of air conditioners, neon and electric lights for signs and cutting down operating hours of supermarkets department stores and movie theaters.

Aquino directed the defense department to prohibit motor races, sky diving and water skiing contests.

Companies using large amounts of oil were ordered to submit conservation plans.

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#90225u0514 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 13) UPI - An engine malfunction forced an American Airlines DC-10 bound for Los Angeles to return to O'Hare International Airport, police and an American spokeswoman said Monday.

American Airlines Flight 435, which was carrying 195 passengers and 11 crewmembers, returned to O'Hare shortly after takeoff late Sunday after the pilots were alerted by a panel light that indicated an engine malfunction, O'Hare Police Unit Patrolman William McCann said.

The flight, scheduled to leave at 10:45 p.m., actually took off at 11:13 p.m. due to bad weather, he said. The plane landed safely and no one was injured, he said.

American spokeswoman Karen Cook confirmed one of the plane's four engines had a mechanical problem but she did not know which engine or the extent of the problem.

Most of the passengers were transferred to another flight to Los Angeles, which took off at 1:15 a.m., she said.

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#90225u0526 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - California officials say this could be a critical day in the fight against hundreds of wildfires. Stronger winds are expected... following a weekend in which firefighters were able to make gains against the lightning-sparked blazes. Thousands of acres are burning in several other Western states as well, including Idaho, Oregon and Utah.

Police in Los Angeles say a weekend of violence left 12 people dead, including two youngsters. Authorities say a 17-year-old gang member went on a rampage and killed a six-year-old girl after her uncle chastised him for kicking her. Gang members also are believed responsible for the death of a 13-year-old who was gunned down in front of a Long Beach home Saturday night.

San Francisco's Fairmont Hotel on Nob Hill has a suite for you, complete with round-the-clock butler and maid, a walk-in vault and 24-karat gold-plated fixtures in its four bathrooms. But the price for the Penthouse Suite may NOT be so sweet- six-thousand dollars a night. A hotel spokesman says a recent one-thousand-dollar-a-night increase makes the suite ''the most expensive in the United States.''

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#90225u0559 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange nosedived Monday as Mideast instability and higher domestic interest rates burned 4.22 percent off the market's leading indicator. Trading was described as shallow.

The blue-chip Nikkei Stock Average of 225 selected issues, which dropped 286.18 points Friday, lost a whopping 1,153.12 points - or 4.22 percent - to fall to 26,176.43.

The Nikkei suffered a series of staggering blows last week, including a 1,327.67-point loss last Tuesday.

Since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, the Nikkei has plunged just over 4,000 points - or about 13.5 percent - and is now at its lowest level since April 1, 1988.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares was also battered, sinking 63.84 points to 1,993.04, its lowest close since Feb. 17, 1988. The key index had lost 11.53 points in Friday's session.

Trading was extremely thin, as summer vacations combined with investor hesitation to keep buyers off the floor. An estimated 250 million shares changed hands, compared with 318 million shares Friday.

Declines overpowered advances 934 to only 34 while 70 issues escaped the

selloff.

Worries about the Middle East were compounded by a rise in short-term interest rates, analysts said, deepening the pessimism that has gripped the market in recent days.

''There were no buyers in town,'' said Yutaka Nakai, an analyst with Daiwa Securities Co.

Investor psychology has turned bearish, despite market fundamentals that are essentially sound, Nakai said.

''People are tending to take the worst-case view right now. They expect higher interest rates,'' he said.

Short-term interest rates have been inching up for much of the summer, driving down the stock market. On Monday, three-month certificates of deposit rose a fraction of a percentage point to 7.90 percent.

The Nikkei's loss, the seventh-worst in its history, was attributed to futures arbitrage by brokers.

Arbitrage, the attempt to profit from price differentials between the spot and futures markets, has been blamed for many of the year's most spectacular falls. Its influence in the market is felt more heavily when trading is thin.

But the arbitrage effect gained a new twist Monday when rumors hit the floor that the financial authorities are considering changes in the composition of the 225 stocks that make up the Nikkei.

Several of the stocks in the Nikkei average no longer trade on their own merits but serve almost exclusively as vehicles for futures arbitrage, Nakai said.

He said arbitrageurs tried to rid themselves of stocks that might be dumped from the Nikkei.

The Ministry of Finance refuses to comment on its market intervention in advance.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices closed lower in sparse trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as investors waited for further news on the crisis in the Middle East. Activity was concentrated among the blue chips.

The closely-watched Hang Seng Index, which lost 12.15 points Friday, dropped 38.69 points or 1.2 percent to 3,040.28.

Among the narrower indexes, financials lost 20.01 points, utilities dropped 24.02, industrials declined 41.72 and properties sank 87.95 points.

Volume amounted to a thin 88 million shares, down from 1.4 billion shares changing hands Friday.

With the sound of the opening bell, sellers sprang into action, pushing the market down more than 9 points in the first few minutes.

Trading in a narrow band, stocks drifted higher around midday amid some light bargain hunting, analysts said.

Profit-taking, especially in the leading issues, took hold during the afternoon session as investors wanted to scale down their positions in the wake of the Middle East crisis, analysts said.

''It was a quiet day. There was no aggression on the part of sellers,'' said David Harman, a senior manager at Morgan Grenfell. ''The market is continuing with a general bearish sentiment.

''There is still caution around, but people are nibbling at stocks that are particularly attractive. They are aware of the value of the market.''

The Hang Seng Index avoided the falls experienced in other Asian markets because Hong Kong already had its downward adjustment and investors are anticipating an upswing in the economy after a recent downturn, market watchers added.

In Singapore, stock prices closed sharply lower in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange as escalating tensions in the Middle East continued to erode investors confidence.

The key Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 32.06 points Friday, dived 54.77 points to 1,288.89. The narrower All Singapore Index dipped 17.18 points to 370.37.

An estimated 79.8 million shares changed hands, compared with 71.3 million shares Friday.

The plunge on the Tokyo Stock Exchange and the absence of market effecting news indicating an easing of the crisis kept selling pressure up.

Market watchers said they expected sentiment would remain nervous as long as the Middle East situation stays tense.

''Everyone thinks the market is cheap, but nobody wants to come in to buy stocks now,'' one local broker said.

On the trading floor, Rothmans (M) paced the declining issues, followed by Development Bank of Singapore foreign shares and Overseas United Enterprises.

Gainers were few and included Gold Coin and Spore Fodder.

In Bangkok, the Stock Exchange of Thailand was closed Monday in respect for the birthday of the Thai Queen. Trading will resume on Tuesday.

In Seoul, stock prices on the Korea Stock Exchnage plunged 1.5 percent to their lowest levels of the year in moderate trading.

The Korean Composite Stock Price Index fell 10.03 points to 645.86.

Declines outpaced advances 581 to 110, while 152 issues remained unchanged.

In Australia, stock prices closed sharply lower on the Sydney Sharemarket in sympathy with the Tokyo market.

The All Ordinaries Index, which added 6.3 points Friday, eased 14.0 points to 1,555.2. The Gold Index, propelled by a $10 rise in the bullion prices - climbed 79.0 points to 1,586.1.

An estimated 79.4 million shares changed hands, compared with 77.8 million shares Friday.

Declines edged out advances 156 to 142 while 210 issues remained unchanged.

Brokers said the fall would have been far worse if not for the strong support for the top gold issues.

On the trading floor, among the top golds, Placer Pacific gained 30 cents to $3.70, Homestake Mining added 6 cents to $1.56 and Newmont Mining gained 8 cents to $1.22.

Oil issues were weaker in line with softer crude oil prices. BHP Oil fell 25 cents to $11 and Santos Oil eased 9 cents to $4.95.

Elsewhere, industrials and banks were hammered after Tokyo's dive.

Westpac Bank fell 8 cents to $4.82, NAB Bank lost 10 cents to $6.68, News Corp. lost 25 cents to $11.60 and Brambles lost 25 cents to $13.90.

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#90225u0611 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - The United States and Israel quickly rejected Iraq's conditions for its withdrawal from Kuwait. The conditions included the

removal of U-S troops from Saudi Arabia and Israel's withdrawal from the occupied territories.

The White House says the United States will begin blocking shipments of oil from Iraq to enforce the U-N-ordered trade embargo. Analysts report signs that the U-N sanctions are putting an economic burden on Iraq.

The commander of the U-S military effort in the Middle East says deployment of American forces in Saudi Arabia is running ahead of schedule. He acknowledged that U-S forces remain far outnumbered by the Iraqis.

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In California, about 12-thousand firefighters are battling the worst outbreak of wildfires since 1987 when 11 people were killed. Officials so far report NO deaths or major injuries in the current batch of fires.

Germans today are observing the 29th anniversary of the construction of the Berlin Wall. But there's isn't much left of it. Most of the 289 watchtowers lining the wall have been dismantled and all sentry posts have been closed.

Reports from Pakistan say ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto has rejected a request from the army and the interim government to leave the country and renounce politics. In return, the government would drop corruption charges.

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#90225u0616 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 13) UPI - Stocks were lower in thin trading at midday Monday on the London International stock exchange, as prices were dragged down by a disappointing retail sales picture.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 11.1 points Friday, was down 21.1 points to 2,212.7. The narrower top 30 industrial average was off 18.6 points to 1,724.4.

Volume amounted to around 162 million shares compared with 192 million shares traded during the same period Friday.

Analysts said prices fell following a Central Statistical Office report showing Britain's retail sales rose a provisional 1.0 percent in July from June and rose 2.3 percent from July 1989.

Market forecasters were expecting a month-on-month increase of 0.4 percent.

Traders said the rise in sales indicated that the governments monetary policy was not in keeping with a tight reign on consumer spending.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Polly Peck International jumped 40 cents to $7.47 after the company said it was in talks that could lead to an offer being made for the concern.

Among some of the international issues, Imperial Chemical Industries added 2 cents to $16.95, Barclays Bank PLC lost 11 cents to $6.57 and British Petroleum eased 4 cents to $6.46.

Elsewhere, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange were sharply lower at midday in light trading as investors continued to worry over tensions in the Middle East.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which lost 6.29 points Friday, was off 34.10 points to 1,715.24.

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#90225u0633 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - United Parcel Service is awaiting results from a contract vote by about 150-thousand union drivers and other workers. The union has agreed NOT to strike even if the three-year deal is rejected by the rank-and-file.

Officials in Lebanon say there's NO trace so far of a Swiss Red Cross worker who reportedly was released this weekend by a Palestinian group. If confirmed, the release would lower the number of foreign hostages held in Lebanon to 14.

In South Africa, African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela raised the possibility of calling for an end to economic sanctions against the Pretoria government. Mandela says the A-N-C and the government are working together.

Soviet President Gorbachev has given illegal armies in the Soviet Union an additional two months to surrender their weapons. Gorbachev ordered the extension amid reports that his order was being widely ignored.

Colombian police this weekend killed the Number Two man of the Medellin cocaine cartel, Gustavo de Jesus Gaviria . He reportedly had been directing the powerful criminal organization in the name of drug kingpin Pablo Escobar .

San Salvador Archbishop Arturo Rivera y Damas is calling on leftist rebels and the government to show signs they are seriously negotiating for peace. Rebels and government envoys have made little progress toward a cease-fire.

Members of a California-based scientific expedition say they've discovered the remnants of a lost civilization on the fringe of the Arabian Desert in Oman. The group used computer-enhanced radar images transmitted from space to analyze the region.

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#90225u0637 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 13) UPI - The founder of Detroit's notorious Young Boys Inc. drug gang wants to work with an anti-drug group when he's released from prison but law enforcement officials are skeptical.

Last week, Butch Jones completed eight years of a 12-year federal drug conspiracy sentence and was transferred to the Michigan Department of Corrections to finish a three-to-five-year sentence for being an accessory to murder.

He should be back on the streets by December, said his lawyer, Jeffrey Collins.

When released, Jones said, he wants to join forces with schools to enlist students in an enterprise called Drug War Awareness Inc., which would steer youngsters toward completing their schooling and away from drugs and crime.

''I want to tell them that they don't have to go out on the streets and sell drugs and carry guns,'' he said. ''I can be an asset.''

Jones, 35, who started the gang in the 1970s, said in an interview published in Monday's Detroit Free Press that his years in prison have made him a different and better person.

But law enforcement officials who battled Young Boys Inc. into the 1980s recoiled at the suggestion.

''I would think two or three times - real hard - before giving him access to kids,'' said Detroit City Councilman Gilbert Hill, who headed the police homicide section during YBI's bloodiest era.

''The last time he got an idea about organizing kids, it was to sell dope. We paid that price. In fact, we're still paying.''

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#90225u0672 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

BEAUFORT, SC (AUG. 13) UPI - Like thousands of other Marine, Navy and Army wives, Autumn Woodley is playing an anguished, tense waiting game to find out where her husband is and what he's doing.

She believes that her husband, Marine Staff Sgt. Chess Woodley, was sent to the Middle East from Japan, but she has had no word from him since she talked to him on Tuesday and the suspense and uncertainty is taking its toll.

''The hardest part is not knowing for sure where he is or what's going on '' Autumn Woodley told The State newspaper in Columbia. ''I pace the floor for hours, stay close to the telephone and pray a lot.''

Sgt. Woodley, who is assigned to the Second Wing based at the Marine Corps Air Station in Beaufort, inspects F-18s.

If his squadron went to the Middle East from Japan, it may be impossible to call her. And once delayed, the sergeant would be able to communicate with her only by mail.

The exodus of marines and other military personnel going to Saudi Arabia to defend it against a threatened invasion by Iraq hit the Beaufort community hard.

''Every house you walk into around here is grim,'' said Woodley, the mother of three small girls. ''Even if they haven't gotten orders, it is like they have already left.

''When you live with the military, you know this can happen at anytime. But they don't send families through a boot camp to deal with this, so I don't think anyone is really ready for it when it happens,'' Woodley said.

Woodley is completing a nursing degree at Armstrong College in nearby Savannah, Ga. She said many of the students in her classes whose husbands have left are helping each other through the frustration of not knowing where they are.

The husbands of four other wives in her classes had less than an hour to pack before departing with their Army units and could reveal nothing about their orders. Fort Stewart, an Army base, is near Savannah.

Both the husband and wife in another family she knows received orders to the Middle East, so they had to leave their young son with grandparents.

''It has been really tough to hold a lot of this back from the children,'' Woodley said of her daughters Anna, 3, Audry, 7, and Melissa, 9.

''I just keep going like he will be here in January for our late Christmas that we have planned, and I am praying that is the way it will be for everybody's sake.''

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#90225u0700 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for August 10: Purchases of 427,957 shares and sales of 564,390 shares including 98,915 shares sold short.

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#90225u0702 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry faces a midnight deadline tonight to decide whether he'll change his party affiliation from Democrat to independent. Barry was convicted last week on one out of 14 drug and perjury charges, and still could run for re-election or an at-large City Council seat.

F-A-A officials say a Continental Airlines Boeing 727 made an emergency landing in Bozeman, Montana, last night after one of three engines caught fire. The flight was carrying 157 people from Bozeman to Denver when the pilot discovered the problem shortly after take-off. NO injuries were reported.

Jury deliberations resume this morning in the New York trial of three youths accused of raping and beating a Central Park jogger in April 1989. Yesterday, the judge explained the theory of ''acting in concert'' to the jurors, saying people who commit a crime together are equally responsible in the eyes of the law.

10-year-old Penelope Nabokov was reunited with her parents last night in Paris after a week-long ordeal in Kuwait and Baghdad that ended with a 17-hour desert crossing to Jordan. Penelope was stranded in the Middle East when the Persin Gulf crisis erupted, but says she felt safe because people took good care of her.

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#90225u0749 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (AUG. 13) UPI - Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy Monday warned Jordan's King Hussein against aiding President Saddam Hussein by allowing goods to be transported across Jordan to Iraq, Israel Radio reported.

Levy was quoted by the radio as saying ''Jordan was walking a tightrope''

by giving assistance to Iraq and possibly allowing goods to reach Iraq by way of Jordanian territory.

Israeli officials have repeatedly warned Jordan against allowing Iraqi troops onto its territory, but they have been ambiguous about the seaport of Aqaba. During the Persian Gulf war, goods and supplies were trucked from the Gulf of Aqaba port through Jordan to Iraq.

Sunday, Defense Minister Moshe Arens would not comment directly on the possible use of Aqaba by Iraq to transport goods, saying only that Israel supported the United States position to impose on economic embargo on Iraq.

Last week, Israel welcomed a statement by Hussein that Jordan would not become a transit point for foreign troops. But the king has not joined in the condemnation of the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and has criticized the Western military buildup in the gulf.

Levy made the comments before leaving for Europe, where he will meet with his Italian and West German counterparts. Levy said he will ask for European cooperation to prevent the sale of arms and technology to Iraq, the radio reported.

The Israeli foreign minister also said a proposal by Saddam to end the gulf crisis, including a demand that Israel withdraw from the occupied territories, was a diversionary tactic to escape from the ring of economic sanctions and military forces closing around him, the radio said.

Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip continued to express support for Saddam. The outlawed fundamentalist Islamic Resistance Movement circulated a leaflet in the Gaza Strip Monday denouncing the U.S. military presense in Saudi Arabia and calling on Moslems to prepare for a holy war, or jihad, against outsiders.

The group, known by its acronym Hamas, called for a U.S. withdrawal and for Kuwait and Iraq to solve their dispute without foreign intervention.

Hamas urged Iraq ''to attack the heart of Tel Aviv if the heart of Iraq is attacked by the Western crusaders.''

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#90225u0762 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is taking new steps to try to discredit Arab governments opposing the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Saddam today said some Arab leaders are- quote- ''of foreign choosing.'' Saddam has declared a holy war on the West... and is urging uprisings against Arab leaders he described as corrupt.

Iraq has stepped up attacks against the Egyptian government and President Mubarak. Three-thousand Egyptian troops are spearheading a pan-Arab force that will take up positions on the Saudi Arabian border with Kuwait. In weekend broadcasts on Iraqi Radio aimed at Egypt, Iraq urged Egyptians to rise up against ''imperialists and Zionist interests everywhere on Egyptian soil.''

The first major test of the U-N sanctions against Iraq was reported today. A broadcast report says Saudi Arabia turned away an Iraqi tanker trying to load oil from a terminal on the Red Sea coast. In Washington, the Pentagon and a State Department task force said they heard similar reports but could NOT confirm them.

In Japan, Prime Minister Kaifu announced his decision to put off his tour of five Middle East nations this week. He's sending Japan's foreign minister instead. Kaifu was scheduled to leave Wednesday for a swing through Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Jordan and Egypt. Officials expressed concern about the safety of several hundred Japanese nationals in Iraq and Kuwait.

Tokyo's stock market tumbled again today... due primarily to Middle East instability and higher domestic interest rates. The 225-issue Nikkei Stock Average dropped four-point-two percent... losing one-thousandpoint-12 yen. The Nikkei suffered a series of staggering blows last week, dropping today to its lowest point in nearly two and a half years.

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#90225u0780 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Marion Barry has until midnight to decide whether he'll try to salvage his political career after his conviction on one of 14 drug and perjury charges. The Washington, D-C, mayor must choose today whether to become an independent... if he wants to run for mayor or an at-large City Council seat in the November election. Barry, a Democrat, has said he would NOT seek another term as mayor.

Thousands of firefighters reportedly are gaining ground on hundreds of wildfires burning in the drought-parched West. As of last night, fire had blackened more than 625 square miles in seven Western states. An estimated 20-thousand firefighters are on the lines. Major fires are burning in California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Washington.

A black pastor in Chicago is denouncing a civil rights group's call for a boycott of the Nike shoe company. The Reverend Jesse Butler of the United Life Church called the boycott by Operation PUSH ''counter-productive'' and said it's up to blacks themselves and NOT Nike to reinvest in the black community. In his words... ''We DON'T want a gift from Nike.''

Police in New York this morning charged a father with shooting to death his three-week-old baby boy as the infant slept in its crib. The infant's father, 25-year-old Raul Rosa... told police he was cleaning his gun in another room in his Bronx apartment and the gun went off. A police spokeswoman says last night's shooting appears to be accidental.

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#90225u0815 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (AUG. 13) UPI - Child abuse, poverty and drug abuse will result in an ''epidemic'' of murders committed by juveniles before the century ends, a researcher says.

Charles Patrick Ewing, who is working on a book on young murderers, said the number of slayings by juveniles likely will quadruple by the end of the decade.

''I'm terribly pessimistic,'' Ewing told a meeting at the American Psychological Association's convention on Sunday.

The number of murders by juveniles more than doubled nationally between 1984 and this year - from 1,004 to 2,208. Ewing, who studied more than 200 juvenile offenders, said that figure will reach 8,000 by 1999.

Ewing, who is credited with creating the so-called ''battered women's defense'' for women who kill their abusers, said he fears the ''federal government isn't going to do anything about'' the rising rate.

''To be brutally frank, we're reaping the seeds of what I call the war on the poor by the Reagan administration. When you make life less livable for human beings, you're going to pay a price.''

Ewing, among other things, blamed cuts in anti-poverty programs in the early 1980s, increasing drug abuse, the availability of guns, and child abuse for the rise in juvenile violence.

''The major thing that makes kids who kill different is the degree of child abuse, the degree of brutalization,'' he said.

He said the death penalty would not deter young murderers.

''There's very little that can be done to deter most juvenile homicides,'' said Ewing, who holds a law degree from Harvard and a doctorate in psychology from Cornell University.

He said that is ''partly because they're so impulsive and partly because they're committed while the killer is under the influence of drugs.''

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#90225u0841 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (AUG. 13) UPI - The domestic rig count jumped last week as the rig utilization rate in the Gulf of Mexico increased slightly, energy industry surveys showed Monday.

Bakers Hughes Inc. reported a total of 992 rotary rigs worked last week compared with 966 the week before and 858 rigs the same week one year ago.

Offshore Data Services reported two more rigs left the Gulf of Mexico in search of better markets while one more rig came off contract in that area.

The result was a slight improvement in the utilization rate among mobile offshore rigs in the Gulf to 65.6 percent with 139 rigs working out of a fleet of 212.

A year ago, the same number of rigs were working in the Gulf but the fleet totaled 220 for a utilization rate of 63.2 percent.

Activity was unchanged in European waters for the third consecutive week with 129 rigs working out of a fleet of 136. The utilization rate remains strong at 94.9 percent.

Worldwide, two more rigs were working last week, pushing the global utilization rate among offshore rigs to 81.5 percent with 545 rigs contracted out of a total fleet of 669.

Other rig counts included: Louisiana, 150 rigs last week, 147 the week before and 146 the same week a year ago; Oklahoma, 124, 124 and 111 rigs; Texas, 320, 306 and 252; and Canada, 106, 117 and 99.

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#90225u0867 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $404.30, silver base of $5.18 and platinum price of $504.00:

Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$404.90	404.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	207.70	207.70
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	106.70	106.70
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	44.00	44.00
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	404.90	404.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	207.70	207.70
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	107.20	107.20
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	44.00	44.00
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	411.40	411.40

China Panda .50 troy oz.	212.00	212.00
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.90	109.90
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.50	47.50
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.40	28.40
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	405.00	405.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	207.00	207.00
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	104.50	104.50
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	45.00
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	404.00	404.00
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	209.10	209.10
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	107.30	107.30
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.60	45.60
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	403.50	403.50
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	207.50	207.50
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.00	88.00
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	46.10	46.10
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.40	23.40

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.33	$6.33
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,530	$3,530
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,525	$1,525

Platinum		
Australian Koala	510.00	510.00
Isle of Man Noble	499.00	499.00
Canada Maple Leaf	515.00	515.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90225u0902 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (AUG. 13) UPI - The new leader of Atlanta's Roman Catholic community called for renewal and revival in the church, rocked by sex scandals that prompted the resignation of the nation's first black archbishop.

Bishop James P. Lyke, serving as temporary head of the Atlanta archdiocese urged worshipers at the city's Cathedral of Christ the King Sunday afternoon to support ''our priests, who feel the weight of intense

scrutiny and who are experiencing, at all levels, an onslaught of inquiry and comment.''

''The demands of the poor and the needy do not stop because of internal crisis,'' said Lyke, former auxiliary bishop of Cleveland, who assumed administration of the archdiocese Saturday.''

Lyke took over after the July 10 resignation of Archbishop Eugene Marino, who later admitted a two-year affair with a 27-year-old woman also linked romantically to a nun and two other priests - one of whom she accuses of fathering her child.

''I had planned to come here, have a few days to unpack, place books on the shelf, get my jazz and classical records organized and maybe tour Atlanta,'' the new bishop said. ''My first principal event was going to be this liturgy with a representative group of lay people.''

Instead, Lyke was in town Aug. 2 answering questions about Marino's affair with Vicki Long, a former lay minister from the Atlanta suburb of Riverdale.

Two days later, the Rev. Michael Woods, a priest from the suburb of Sandy Springs, offered to resign because of involvement with Long.

Long claims she also was involved with a priest from Columbus, Ga., who she claims fathered her child.

She also says she was approached sexually by a nun and has been threatening legal action against the church.

In his sermon Sunday, Lyke compared Marino - the highest-ranking black in the church before stepping down - to the apostle Peter, who walked on water at Christ's command but sank when his faith wavered.

''We pray that like Peter, who faltered and whose faith momentarily weakened, Archbishop Marino will reach out and grasp firmly the outstretched hand of Christ and will once again climb into the boat to enjoy anew the fellowship and comfort of the church,'' he said.

The sex scandals have put local church officials under scrutiny, especially by parishoners who are concerned about allegations that church money has been paid to Long.

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#90225u0912 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

FLINT, MICH. (AUG. 13) UPI - Negotiatiors met again Monday after efforts during the weekend failed to end a five-day-old strike by 3,200 General

Motors Corp. parts makers that already has idled nearly 8,000 other workers at GM assembly plants.

More GM assembly plants were expected to run out of parts by Monday afternoon because of the walkout by workers last Wednesday at GM's AC Rochester West parts plant and a smaller facility, both in Flint.

At issue are several longstanding and unresolved disputes between GM and the United Auto Workers Local 659 over health, safety, subcontracting and outsourcing issues at the Flint plant.

An official for UAW Local 659 said the two sides met until 1:30 a.m. EDT Monday and were back at the table by 10 a.m. But he would not comment on whether any substantial progress was made.

Several more GM assembly plants were forced to close Friday because of the strike. Pickup truck plants in Pontiac, Mich., (Pontiac West) and Shreveport, La., were closed because of a resulting parts shortage, idling a total 4,400 workers.

An additional 288 workers were idled at GM's Flint Truck & Bus Metal Fabrication plant, which employs about 3,500.

On Thursday, GM's light truck plant in Moraine, Ohio, was forced to close, idling about 3,200 workers who remained off the job Monday because of a shortage of gas tanks made at the AC West plant.

That brings the total layoff so far to nearly 8,000 workers.

''If the strike continues, there is a definite likelihood that additional plants will close,'' said GM spokesman Tom Pyden. ''But I cannot say at this time which plants or when.''

It is believed that plants at risk include GM's Buick City plant in Flint, as well as large car plants in Lake Orion, Mich., and Wentzville, Mo.

GM operates on a streamlined inventory system called ''just-in-time'' manufacturing, which cuts costs and improves quality - but makes its assembly plants more vulnerable to strikes at parts facilities like Flint.

Like the strikers, idled workers receive $100 a week in strike benefits and get continued health benefits, but they are ineligible for GM's Supplemental Unemployment Benefits (SUB) program.

''Unemployment compensation is determined by the state agencies, and no SUB benefits are payable because these layoffs are a consequence of a labor dispute,'' Pyden said.

The Flint strike began Wednesday over disputes concerning work speed-ups, subcontracting and a lapse in health and safety conditions at the plant, which also makes engine valves, exhaust manifolds, van doors and truck grilles for GM vehicles.

The walkouts include about 2,700 workers at the AC West plant and 360 at GM's Flint Tool & Die, which is located outside the AC complex and supplies die designs for various GM vehicle. Both are part of UAW's local 659.

So far both company and union officials say the Flint walkout has not affected the steady pace of the national contract talks that began July 18. Those talks are aimed at reaching a new agreement covering about 330,000 GM workers. The current three-year pact expires Sept. 14.

''This is a completely separate issue from the national talks,'' agreed Ruben Burks of UAW's Region 1C, with other UAW bargainers conceding it is highly unusual to call a local strike during national bargaining.

But some industry analysts suggested the strike is aimed at showing the union's muscle during the national talks, with the prime issue being outsourcing, or the transfer of work outside the carmaker and union.

''This is really about subcontracting and outsourcing,'' said David Healy, of Barclays de Zoete Wedd in New York. ''Those are some vital issues that are sure to come up in the national talks, so I am not really sure both sides are being totally frank.''

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#90225u0917 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein heated up his holy war of words against Arab leaders who support the U-S intervention in Saudi Arabia. But Saddam is asking Iraqis NOT to discriminate against other Arab nationals. In a statement today carried by the Iraqi News Agency, Saddam urged his people to support Arabs who must endure leaders such as Egyptian President Mubarak, whom he labeled a traitor. Iraqi Radio reports during the weekend also asked Egyptians to rise up and overthrow imperialists and Zionists.

In the first major test of U-N trade sanctions against Iraq, Saudi Arabia today turned away an Iraqi tanker trying to load oil from a terminal on the Red Sea coast. The State Department said it had received word that Saudi tugboats refused to accompany the Iraqi tanker to port.

The two Koreas are holding separate events marking the 45th anniversary of the end of Japanese colonial rule after rejecting a series of plans to mark the occasion together. South Korean President Roh Tae-woo wanted the

border opened today for free travel on the divided peninsula. But North Korea rejected Roh's plan as a scheme to obstruct its plans for a rally at the border village of Panmunjom . The 155-mile border between North and South Korea today remains closed.

Prosecutors say followers of a cult leader are expected to testify how they helped the leader kill five members of a family in northeastern Ohio. Jury selection begins today in the trial of Jeffrey Don Lundgren. Five of the former cult members have already pleaded guilty to lesser charges in the April 1988 slayings of Dennis and Cheryl Averay and their three young daughters. Their bodies were found buried at the cult's farm last January.

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#90225u0920 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Dallas authorities charged a 46-year-old woman with arson this morning in an extra-alarm fire killed four women in a group home for former mental patients. Fire officials say Margaret Wright told investigators that she started the fire in the two-story building. Investigators say the blaze spread from the first floor to the stairs, preventing residents upstairs from getting out. Three other people suffered minor injuries.

Like thousands of other Marine, Navy and Army spouses, Autumn Woodley is awaiting word on where her husband is. Woodley says she believe her husband... Marine Staff Sergeant Chess Woodley... was sent to the Middle East from Japan, but she has had NO word from him since she talked to him on Tuesday. She described as ''grim'' the mood at the Marine Corps Air Station in Beaufort, South Carolina, from where so many other servicemen and women have been sent to the Middle East.

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#90225u0941 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (AUG. 13) UPI - A resident of a group home for mental patients was charged with arson Monday in an early morning fire that gutted the facility, killing four women and injuring three others, authorities said.

Margaret Ann Wright, 46, a current resident of the home for nine women, was charged with arson, but additional charges in the deaths of the four women also may be filed, said Dallas Fire Department spokeswoman Carolyn Garcia.

''She was an occupant of the building,'' Garcia said. ''Charges have been filed. She told investigators she started the fire downstairs.''

The two-alarm fire began shortly before 4 a.m. and gutted the two-story house, which is run by the Dallas County Mental Health-Mental Retardation

Agency. Three of the victims died at hospitals and a fourth was pronounced dead at the scene, fire officials said.

The women have not been identified, but officials listed their ages as 18, 29, 40 and 63.

Three women were treated for minor burns and smoke inhalation at the scene authorities said. An off-duty firefighter was injured while getting residents out of the house and was taken to a hospital.

Firefighters were told after arriving that some of the nine residents were trapped inside the home. One woman who escaped the fire said she awoke to find her room filled with smoke. Firefighters rescued her and other residents from second-floor windows.

Garcia said no flammable liquids were used. A fire investigator at the scene said the flames spread quickly from the living room to the stairs, preventing residents upstairs from escaping.

The fire was brought under control shortly after 4:30 a.m., and damage to the building and its contents was set at $120,000.

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#90225u0989 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 78.00-78.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 140.00-141.40 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 52.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $265.00-$265.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.00-$115.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $476.25-$481.50; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $118.00-$119.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 287.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 77.50-87.25 c-lb.

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#90225u1038 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Saudi Arabia today turned back an Iraqi oil tanker trying to load oil at a terminal along its Red Sea coast. Also today, Egypt's foreign minister met in Cairo with the Soviet ambassador to Egypt... as well as U-S Assistant Secretary of State John Kelly, who held talks last week with Syrian leaders on U-S moves to isolate Iraq.

President Bush has American warships engaged in a de facto naval blockade today to enforce U-N-ordered trade sanctions against Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait. The White House has been careful to avoid using the word ''blockade'' but says the United States will do ''whatever is necessary'' to intercept shipments of oil heading to or from Iraq.

Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy today warned Jordan's King Hussein against helping Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein by channeling goods through Jordan to Iraq. Levy was quoted by Israel Radio as saying ''Jordan was walking a tightrope'' by aiding Iraq. The Jordanian king did NOT join in condemning the August 2nd Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Dallas investigators have arrested a 46-year-old woman for setting a fire this morning that killed four residents of a county-owned group home for former mental patients. A fire department spokeswoman says the suspect... Margaret Ann Wright... has been charged only with arson but that additional charges in the deaths of the four women also may be filed.

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#90225u1050 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Underwater skimmers were unleashed again today in the Houston Ship Channel to clean up 21-thousand gallons of heavy crude oil that spilled when a barge buckled yesterday while being loaded. Workers used booms to contain the oil and seal off the area in the Sim Turning Basin. It's the third significant spill in the channel this summer.

The founder of a notorious Detroit drug gang called Young Boys, Incorporated, says he wants to work with an anti-drug group when he's released from prison. Last week, Butch Jones completed eight years of a 12-year sentence for drug conspiracy but must finish three-to-five years for accessory to murder. The 35-year-old says he still wants to work with kids... but this time, to teach them to say ''NO'' to drugs.

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#90225u1052 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Researchers say the problems of child abuse, poverty and drug addiction could give way to an ''epidemic'' of murders committed by juveniles in the next 10 years. Psychologist Charles Patrick Ewing says the number of murders by juveniles more than doubled nationally in the last five years... a result of what he calls the Reagan administration's ''war'' against the poor.

Thunderstorms dumped rain on the eastern Mojave desert, threatening a pair of interstate highways across the usually bone-dry region. The storms battered the area near the Nevada-California border. Forecasters warned drivers on nearby interstates to take precautions because of low visibility, rain, possible flooding and wind gusts of up to 45 miles an hour.

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#90225u1083 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 13) UPI - Sears, Roebuck & Co. on Monday denied a published report that Chairman Edward Brennan has been told by the board of directors to turn around retail operations in six months - or face the prospect of losing his job.

Crain's Chicago Business said Brennan was handed the ''ultimatum'' at ''a tumultuous'' board meeting Wednesday.

Sears spokesman Gerald Buldak termed the story ''absolutely false and misleading. At the moment that's all I can give you.''

The weekly quoted an outside Sears director as saying Brennan was told, ''You say you can turn this around. Then do it yourself.''

Brennan last week took on the additional job of chairman of the company's

Merchandise Group in what the report described as ''a last-ditch effort to improve retailing results,'' with the division's chairman and chief executive officer, Michael Bozic, dropped back a notch to president.

Last week also brought the announcement that Sears and Montgomery Ward & Co. -headed by Brennan's brother, Bernard - had ended discussions on the possibility of merging their retail operations.

''Brennan is on real thin ice and he has a very short time period,'' one source close to the company told the business weekly. ''He has taken over the helm of a ship that has a rotten bottom and he has been running around trying to patch up the holes with tar, but he has too many gushers.''

The report said the company appears to be positioning Philip J. Purcell, who is chairman of its Dean Witter Financial Services Group, as a successor to Brennan should he fail in efforts to turn the company around by early 1991.

Sears, headquartered in Chicago, is the largest U.S. retailer, with a far-flung empire of department stores and a large catalog operation; it also sells financial services, insurance and real estate through its Dean Witter, Allstate Insurance and Coldwell Banker subsidiaries.

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#90225u1115 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 13) UPI - Grain and soybean futures extended their opening losses at midmorning Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Follow-through selling pressured the grains in a continuation of Friday's weakness, while soybeans were depressed by liquidation and profit-taking.

New-crop wheat was the strongest commodity on the floor. Commercial buying was based on news the Philippines was in the market for 210,000 tons and that Algeria bought 150,000 tons of wheat overnight.

Widespread rain during the weekend and the prospect of favorable growing conditions over much of the Grain Belt this week contributed to the weakness in corn and soybeans. Lower basis levels and a slight increase in farmer selling also kept the market on the defensive.

Losses in corn were limited by indications of a pick-up in export demand in the coming weeks.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.46 3/4 off 3 5/8; Dec 2.42 3/4 off 2; Mar 2.51 1/4 off 2 1/4.

Soybeans Aug 6.03 3/4 off 5; Sep 6.07 1/2 off 6 1/2; Nov 6.18 1/4 off 7 3/4; Jan 6.29 1/2 off 7.

Wheat Sep 2.80 1/4 off 1/4; Dec 2.94 3/4 off 1 1/4; Mar 3.03 3/4 off 1/2.

Oats Sep 1.17 off 2 1/2; Dec 1.28 off 2 1/4; Mar 1.38 3/4 off 2.

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#90225u1117 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (AUG. 13) UPI - Pakistan Monday accused Indian forces of firing heavy artillery and mortars across the border into a well populated area of the Kashmir region in what was seen as an escalation of the regional conflict between the two nations.

India denied there had been an exchange but state-run Pakistan Television reported Pakistani troops repulsed the Sunday attack. The Pakistani report said the attack was aimed at capturing a post on the Pakistani side of the Kashmir region and that Pakistani forces inflicted casualties on the Indians.

It was not clear if Indian troops crossed the border and there was no immediate word on whether the Indian shelling, the first such attack in a populated border area, caused casualties.

Both nations claim sovereignty over Kashmir, with India occupying two-thirds of the region and Pakistan in control of the remainder.

''In spite of the fact that Indian troops used heavy artillery and mortars Pakistani forces repulsed the attack, inflicting casualties on the intruders,'' Pakistani broadcast said.

''India's violation of the line of control and use of heavy artillery has been reported to the U.N. military observers group for India and Pakistan '' the television said.

A government spokesman in India, responding to queries about the Pakistani news reports, denied there had been any Indian attack across the line of control in Kashmir. He also denied reports that Pakistan had rebuffed Indian troops and inflicted casualties.

Indian and Pakistani troops frequently exchange gunfire across the line of control but the Indian spokesman said nothing out of the ordinary occurred in the region.

''There has been no attack and no engagement and India has suffered no casualties,'' he said.

Small-arms skirmishes have occurred in the area of the U.N.-monitored cease-fire line in Kashmir since a popular uprising errupted in India's Jammu and Kashmir state. India's alleged use of artillery and mortars would mark an escalation of the conflict.

Television said use of heavy weapons between the two sides previously had been restricted to the disputed Siachen Glacier area to the north.

''India's use of heavy artillery is an attempt to escalate the situation along the line of control in order to divert attention from the freedom struggle in occupied Kashmir,'' Pakistan television said.

New Delhi has accused Islamabad of inflaming the Kashmir situation by arming and training the Moslem militants operating on the Indian side. Islamabad denies the accusation but acknowledges providing moral support for the movement.

The alleged incident came two days after Indian and Pakistani officials concluded a second round of talks in New Delhi aimed at easing tensions between the two rival nations over Kashmir. Officials said the talks had made some progress, but the two sides failed to sign a formal agreement.

The 20-month-old government of Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was dissolved by President Ishaq Khan, who accused her administration of corruption.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	83	60	.05
Anchorage sy	72	53	....
Asheville pc	86	63	....
Atlanta pc	91	72	....
Baltimore hz	90	70	....
Billings sy	92	62	....
Birmingham sy	95	68	....
Bismarck pc	84	59	....
Boston sy	83	69	....
Brownsville pc	94	76	....
Buffalo r	74	60	1.24
Burlington Vt. r	75	60	.01
Charleston S.C.pc	91	74	....
Charlotte pc	92	71	....
Chicago pc	75	56	1.13
Cincinnati ts	80	62	.02
Cleveland ts	75	59	1.01

Columbus Ohio ts	79	60	....
Dallas sy	97	74	....
Denver pc	78	55	.02
Des Moines pc	80	62	.37
Detroit pc	75	54	1.66
Duluth sy	74	57	....
El Paso ts	82	64	.05
Evansville pc	82	63	.53
Fargo pc	81	62	....
Hartford pc	85	67	....
Honolulu pc	88	74	....
Houston pc	96	73	....
Indianapolis pc	78	60	1.60
Jackson Miss. pc	95	70	....
Jacksonville pc	91	72	....
Kansas City pc	81	61	.11
Las Vegas pc	99	76	....
Little Rock ts	87	71	.46
Los Angeles pc	90	68	....
Louisville ts	84	67	.09
Memphis cy	90	74	.42
Miami Beach ts	90	78	.14
Milwaukee pc	72	59	....
Minneapolis sy	78	59	....
Nashville pc	90	68	....
New Orleans sy	91	71	....
New York pc	89	72	....
Oklahoma City pc	88	69	.03
Omaha pc	81	64	.23
Orlando ts	91	74	....
Philadelphia hz	90	72	....
Phoenix pc	97	79	.03
Pittsburgh ts	81	61	....
Portland Me. pc	78	63	....
Portland Ore. cy	79	59	....
Providence sy	84	69	....
Richmond hz	92	71	....
St. Louis pc	82	64	....
Salt Lake City f	92	63	....
San Antonio pc	95	75	....
San Diego pc	80	69	....
San Francisco pc	67	56	....
San Juan sh	85	76	.19
Seattle cy	72	56	....
Spokane pc	89	59	....
Tampa ts	93	75	.62
Washington hz	91	73	....
Wichita sy	85	65	.03

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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(AUG. 13) CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
OMITTED				
Mayflower Co-op Bk				
STOCK				
La Jolla Bk & Trust	..	2 PC	8-23	8-20
USUAL				
Amer Reliance Grp	Q	.11	9-7	8-22
Del Labs	Q	.10	9-21	8-24
Fabricland Inc	S	.08	9-6	8-22
Farmer Brothers	Q	.35	11-5	10-19
General Binding	Q	.07	9-24	8-24
La Jolla Bk & Trust	Q	.21	8-23	8-20
Manitowoc Co	Q	.25	9-10	9-1
Roadway Services	Q	.27 1/2	11-1	10-15
Safety-Kleen Corp	Q	.10	9-27	9-13
Texas Utilities	Q	.74	10-1	9-4
Turner Corp	Q	.25	9-6	8-24
Value Line Inc	Q	.15	10-2	9-7
Varian Associates	Q	.06 1/2	11-1	10-22
Worthington Indus	Q	.15	9-28	9-4

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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#90225u1175 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
ATHENS, GREECE (AUG. 13) UPI - Venezuelan Foreign Minister Reinaldo Planchart arrived in Iran Monday to meet with officials and discuss possible changes in OPEC production, Tehran radio said. Planchart, on an unannounced visit, flew to Tehran in a private plane from Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, Tehran radio indicated.

Last week, the U.N. Security Council imposed economic sanctions on Iraq following its invasion of Kuwait, effectively removing the two countries' oil from the world market.

Tehran radio said Saudi Arabia was planning to make up for the shortfall by producing above its quota set by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Venezuela was due to discuss with Iranian leaders how OPEC could deal with the issue of production quotas considering the impact of the Persian Gulf crisis, the radio said. Planchart was scheduled to fly to Algeria from Tehran and also visit other OPEC member countries, Tehran radio indicated.

-30- 1145
#90225u1184 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 13) UPI - Officials from both East and West Germany attended memorial ceremonies today to mark the 29th anniversary of the now-obsolete Berlin Wall. From the hasty building of the wall on this date in 1962, until its collapse on November 9th, 1989, a total of 77 people were killed trying to escape to West Berlin. The last victim was a 20-year-old who was shot by guards only nine months before the wall fell.

A former mental patient has been charged with arson for allegedly igniting a fire in a Dallas group home for recovering mental patients. Four women were killed when fire swept the two-story residence in the early morning hours today. Fire officials say Margaret Wright... a resident at the home... has been charged with arson and may face additional charges in the deaths of the four women.

Underwater skimmers on the Houston Ship Channel are trying to clean-up 21-thousand gallons of heavy crude oil that spilled yesterday from a barge that buckled while being loaded. Coast Guard Commander Rex Prosser says the accident is under investigation, but human error during the loading operation apparently led to the spill. Officials say the environmental threat from the spill is minimal because the area is flanked by ship channel industries and refineries.

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#90225u1185 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 13) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery steady; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 51-57.

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#90225u1203 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 13) UPI - Recyclers, as soul singer James Brown might say, have a brand-new bag. A Massachusetts company introduced trash bags Sunday that include recycled plastic as part of the annual Hardware Show going on in Chicago.

Webster Industries of Peabody, Mass., said its RENEW trash bags - made up of more than 80 percent recycled plastics - and its GOOD SENSE bags - made with more than 50 percent recycled plastics - have won certification from Green Cross. Green Cross is a private, not-for-profit organization that sets environmental product standards. "These products, at present," are the first and only plastics products to receive the award," Webster said in a statement.

Green Cross President Dr. Stanley Rhodes said the tough standards, combined with independent certification of claims "can help to reassure consumers that it is working for true environmental solutions. The Green Cross certification verifies Webster's commitment to using state-of-the-art technologies to create products with the highest possible recycled content."

Webster President Rajeev Bal said the trash bags show the company is "committed to manufacturing quality products in way that address environmental concerns."

Webster said it pioneered plastic recycling technology in the 1970s and is one of the nation's largest plastics recyclers, reclaiming more than 50 million pounds of plastic scrap each year. The company said each box of RENEW garbage bags includes two pounds of plastic that otherwise would have ended up in a landfill.

Webster since 1982 has focused its consumer and institutional product manufacturing at plants in Montgomery, Ala., and Macomb, Ill. The Peabody

site handles retail packaging manufacturing and is the company's distribution center.

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#90225u1210 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) UPI - Teamsters members at United Parcel Service voted to accept a new three-year contract, ensuring the continued delivery of about 11 million packages a day, the union announced Monday.

Teamsters General President William McCarthy announced the vote was 65,463 in favor, with 53,091 voting to reject the contract. The new contract, retroactive to Aug. 1, covers some 146,000 full- and part-time UPS employees and expires on July 31, 1993.

"The membership has spoken, in a particularly large vote return, and in spite of the fact that the negotiating committee recommended rejection," McCarthy said in a statement.

The new contract includes a raise from $16.10 an hour for the average driver to $17.60 an hour over a three-year period and improved benefits. UPS also will give full-time workers a $1,000 bonus within a month of ratification and part-time employees will get a $500 bonus, company officials said. In 1989, UPS made 2.8 billion deliveries and had revenues of $12.4 billion.

UPS Chairman Kent C. Nelson said, "We are pleased that we were able to offer a package to our people they obviously found to be fair and responsive to their needs. UPS people work hard and they deserve to be compensated well."

The International Brotherhood of Teamsters, which represents the workers, has never conducted a nationwide strike against UPS, which delivers about 11 million packages a day in the United States. Even before the vote was announced, a UPS spokesman had said the union had agreed "to continue working regardless of the outcome of the vote." The Teamsters began counting votes Friday. The old contract expired July 31.

A walkout would have created a massive shipping problem, even for rival shippers and the U.S. Postal Service, which had developed contingency plans to handle the extra load.

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#90225u1216 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the

USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 58-61.

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#90225u1236 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, KENYA (AUG. 13) UPI - Kenyan lawyers accused security police Monday of torturing four polticial activists, charging they were interrogated naked about an alleged plot to topple President Daniel arap Moi.

Lawyers for the men told Chief Justice Allan Hancox during a bail hearing that the four men were subjected to ''inhuman, degrading, beastly and extremely harsh condition(s)'' at Kenya's notorious Kamiti maximum security prison.

The human rights activists were arrested last month during a week of democracy riots in which they called for a multi-party system in Kenya, ruled by a single political party since 1982.

The lawyers said the men were stripped and interrogated, left overnight in water-logged rooms, and forced to do ''exercises'' when they were totally exhausted. The men were also kept for hours in total darkness and were not allowed to wash, the lawyers charged.

''The prison authorities are feeding our clients on food unfit for human consumption in filthy cells throughout,'' the lawyers said.

Hancox said he would consider on Thursday whether to release the men, who have been charged with sedition and possession of seditious documents critical of Moi's administration.

The democracy debate has heated up in Kenya since the fall of communism in East Europe last fall.

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#90225u1242 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) UPI - A prolonged crisis in the Middle East could significantly harm first-time home buyers, whose median income was about one-third short of what was necessary to purchase a typical starter home during the second quarter, the National Association of Realtors said Monday.

Higher family incomes allowed first-time home buyers to offset rising home prices and mortgage rates in the second quarter, but their purchasing power remained much below that of repeat buyers.

NAR President Norman D. Flynn said if the situation in Kuwait blows over quickly, interest rates will return to their earlier pattern of trending downward.

But Flynn warned that ''if the crisis is of longer duration we expect there to be a significant negative impact on housing markets and affordability, especially for first-time buyers.''

A prolonged crisis in the Middle East could force the Federal Reserve to maintain or increase interest rates to contain inflationary pressures created by higher oil prices.

NAR's First-Time Home Buyer Affordability Index measured 72.9 for the second quarter, indicating the typical entry-level buyer had only that percentage of the income needed to buy the typical starter home. The index was at 73 in the previous quarter and at 71 in the same period a year ago.

The index shows the ability of renters, who are prime potential first-time buyers, to qualify for a conventional mortgage on a starter home. Their median income represents the typical income of a renter family with wage earners between the ages of 25 and 44. Half the renter families earned more and half earned less.

The 72.9 index for first-time buyers was 29.9 percent lower than NAR's composite Housing Affordability Index, which measures affordability for all buyers of existing homes. The composite index measured 104 for the second quarter.

During the second quarter, the median income of first-time home buyers was $23,368, up $245 from the first quarter. The median starter-home price rose to $81,800 from $81,500 in the first quarter.

The interest rate - the closing contract rate plus fees or points paid at settlement - used in the index rose to 10.15 percent from 10.04 percent. The additional charge of private mortgage insurance raised it to 10.40 percent, the NAR said.

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#90225u1262 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Fears that a U.S. de facto blockade of Iraq could erupt into a ''shooting situation'' as Iraqi President Saddam Hussein moved more troops into occupied Kuwait drove world oil prices up early Monday with gasoline rising more than 3 cents a gallon.

''At some point, Saddam Hussein is going to have to challenge this (blockade) and the market reflects that fear,'' said Peter Beutel, vice president of Merrill Lynch Futures Inc. in New York.

''Any time now, it could erupt into a shooting situation. The market is on 'tender hooks' waiting for the next shoe to drop,'' the trader said.

''It's a little tense. There's a general assessment that we might be moving toward a flash point,'' agreed Peter Gignoux in the London office of Shearson Lehman Hutton.

''Saddam is not acting like a man who will withdraw (from Kuwait),'' Gignoux said.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, unleaded gasoline for September delivery was up 3.15 cents a gallon in midday trading at 82.60 cents a gallon, while home heating oil was up 2.19 cents at 74.80 cents a gallon.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate for September delivery was being at quoted around midday at $26.74 a barrel, 51 cents higher than Friday's close.

On the European spot market, United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - was adding 50 cents over Friday at $22.95 cents a barrel. Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent alsol was gaining 50 cents at $25.95 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast cash market, prompt delivery WTI was being quoted at $26.65 a barrel, 40 cents higher than Friday.

Over the weekend, Saddam increased the presence of Iraqi forces in Kuwait from slightly more than 100,000 troops to an estimated 170,000 after Arab nations Friday such as Egypt and Syria agreed to deploy troops in Saudi Arabia to join those arriving from the United States.

From his vacation retreat in Kennebunkport, Maine, President Bush ordered U.S. warships to impose a de facto naval blockade Monday to enforce a trade embrargo against Iraq ordered by the United Nations last week after the Aug. 2 invasion.

The administration also rejected a proposal by Saddam to withdraw his forces from Kuwait if U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia were replaced by a U.N.-supervised Arab force, Israel left the occupied territories and an international trade embargo were lifted.

In Tokyo, the Japanese government adopted numerous energy-saving measures to help ease the impact of a halt in crude oil imports from Iraq and

Kuwait.

The measures include setting air conditioning at no lower than 82 degrees and turning off about one third of lighting at government offices. The general public will be asked to observe similar steps and drivers will be advised not to exceed 50 mph.

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#90225u1265 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

MOUNT PLEASANT, SC (AUG. 13) UPI - The USS Yorktown, a battle-scarred relic that braved enemy torpedoes, bombs and suicide attacks in three wars may end up sinking ignominiously in a sea of red ink and community indifference.

The 47-year-old aircraft carrier called ''The Fighting Lady'' founders in a floating naval museum in the Charleston Harbor. Its enemies are not submarines or torpodeo planes but bankruptcy, expensive repairs and a drop in tourism.

A group of retired Navy and Marine officers are joining other supporters in an effort to keep the ship afloat, but the prospects appear dim.

Since 1975, the Yorktown has docked in retirement in the harbor, the centerpiece of the Patriots Point Naval and Maritime Museum.

A destroyer and submarine from World War II, a Coast Guard cutter and the nuclear powerd merchant ship, Savannah, keep it company in the shadows of the twin Cooper River Bridges.

Off the marshy shores of the Charleston suburb of Mount Pleasant, its jagged gray turrets overlook the city's docks and spires in a city tied by history and geography to ships and the sea.

The fortunes of the Yorktown and the naval museum began to sink two years ago.

The Patriot's Point Associates, a private partnership, planned to build a $21 million hotel and marina complex on land leased from the Patriots Point Authority, a quasi-state agency that runs the museum.

The Patriots Point Associates went bankrupt in 1988.

The hotel stands incomplete and vacant, battered by Hurricane Hugo. Creditors want their money. The authority says it has already paid $750,000 to contractors and for other costs for the hotel and marina.

The authority, which maintains it is separate from the failed project, is

trying to get its money back.

The U.S.Bankruptcy Court has not made a decision.

Officials say the authority has to spend about $700,000 repairing damage from Hugo and installing fire safety devices the South Carolina Fire Marshal's Office is requiring if youth groups continue overnight visits.

The youth program brought in $250,000 last year.

At the same time, visitors to the museum are off more than 20 percent, reflecting a drop in tourism throughout Charleston.

In an effort to rescue the Yorktown, a group of retired Navy and Marine officers formed Save the Yorktown Inc. last March to raise money. Comedian Bob Hope did a benefit for the effort at The Citadel, but the group had to give away tickets and it was not clear if it raised any money.

Community response disappointed retired Navy Cap. William Kerr, president of the group.

''I think it's on the knife's edge of disaster,'' Kerr said of the Yorktown. ''If things keep going the way they're going, they're looking at millions of dollars to bring it up to a presentable state.''

The 888-foot ship extends nearly the length of three football fields. In service, it was a living city, housing more than 3,000 men and caring for them with a butcher shop, dentist, hospital and bakery.

The Yorktown was christened Jan. 21, 1943 when Eleanor Roosevelt broke a bottle of champagne across the ship's bow.

It was the second World War II carrier to bear that name, and fought in Korea and Vietnam, destroying or damaging 2,358 aircraft and sinking 119 ships.

Joe Sharkey, who served aboard the Yorktown during World War II, said the ship's troubles are heartbreaking.

''I am married and I have nine beautiful children, but this is my first love,'' said Sharkey, a 67-year-old retired dance instructor and bridge painter who now organizes reunions for the Yorktown.

''When I fell in love with the Yorktown, I had no one else. When I married my wife, she knew it. She played second fiddle. I cried when I left the Yorktown because I didn't want to leave my ship.''

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#90225u1266 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 13) UPI - The Fairmont Hotel on Nob Hill has boosted the price of its Penthouse Suite to $6,000 a night.

The $1,000-a-night increase for the eight-room suite with round-the-clock butler and maid ''makes it the most expensive in the United States, and possibly the world,'' a hotel spokesman said.

The suite includes a walk-in vault, 24-karat gold plated fixtures in its four bathrooms, a two-story circular library, a game room with a stained glass skylight, an outdoor terrace with a view, a dining room for up to 50 kitchen and three bedrooms.

Limousine service to and from the airport is thrown in, the hotel said.

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#90225u1269 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) UPI - Peter Janz has been a diplomat for more than 12 years. Like most of his colleagues, the spokesman of the East German Embassy, father of two children, is facing possible unemployment.

"Our embassy will be closed as soon as the two German states are united," he said. Another East German diplomat said, "In principle it is just a matter of weeks."

What will happen to the members of the East German diplomatic corps is still unclear. A large number of East German diplomats are known to have worked for the East German secret service (Stasi), and most of them were loyal members of the Communist Party.

"I think the staff members of the East German foreign ministry will be retrained so that they can start new careers in other areas. I could very well imagine that some will become journalists," said East Germany's charge d'affairs, Norbert Reemer, 47, who joined the foreign service 22 years ago after studying in Moscow.

According to West German diplomats, only a few might be allowed to join the West German diplomatic service. "The all-German foreign ministry cannot take on people who have worked for the Stasi or people who were apologists for the former Stalinist system," said Gunter Pleuger, the minister for political affairs at the West German Embassy. "That is a question of credibility for the all-German foreign service."

The East German foreign minister, Markus Meckel, announced recently that his ministry would be dissolved after the unification and, therefore, staff members would have to look for new jobs.

"I have no idea what will become of me," said Janz, 37, in the embassy on the eighth floor of an apartment building on Washington's embassy row. A dentist married to another diplomat has returned to East Germany hoping to set up her own practice so that she can provide for her family of four if her husband is out of work.

Those who were affiliated with the old suppressive regime might face a difficult future at home. Yet, Reemer said, only a few embassy employees are considering staying in the United States. "Unification is an altogether good thing and I am absolutely in favor of it. I expect that in the all-German state everyone will get good opportunities."

The embassy staff of about 30 people has been cut back by more than 20 percent already. Many are on vacation, and it is uncertain if they will return to their jobs. East German Ambassador Gerald Herder, who had been a loyal representative of the old communist regime, left Washington in June to take early retirement at 62.

Meanwhile the West German and East German staffs, who in the past largely avoided each other, are constantly in contact in these more relaxed times. "Our relationship has become cooperative and businesslike", a spokesman for the West German Embassy said.

Since the fall of the Berlin Wall in November, members of both embassies have been asked to take part in a variety of events jointly. In May Washington saw its first German-German joint venture, when the two ambassadors issued a joint invitation to a preview showing of a documentary film on the life of Johann Sebastian Bach.

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#90225u1274 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 13) UPI - Prices closed lower on the London International Stock Exchange Monday following a disappointing report on Britain's retail sales picture for July and continuing jitters over the Persian Gulf crisis.

Stock markets in Frankfurt, Paris and Amsterdam registered sharper losses Monday.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 11.1 points Friday, lost another 14.3 points to 2,219.5 but managed to retrace some of its earlier losses. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 10.8 points to 1,732.2.

Volume amounted to around 294 million shares, compared with 312 million shares changing hands on Friday.

Analysts said prices fell in slow trading following a Central Statistical Office report showing Britain's retail sales rose by a provisional 1.0 percent in July from June and by 2.3 percent from July 1989.

Market forecasters were expecting a month-on-month increase of 0.4 percent.

Analysts were surprised by the figures, which they said showed the government's economic strategy of using high interest rates to fight inflation was not curbing consumer spending as quickly as expected.

On the trading floor, Polly Peck International climbed 48 cents to $7.56 on news that Chairman Asil Nadir is considering taking the fruit and electronics company private.

Among some of the day's other highlights, Rothmans fell 26 cents to $13.03 and Eurotunnel plunged 45 cents to $8.55 on reports of financing delays.

Elsewhere in Europe, prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed sharply lower in listless trading as investors continued to worry over tensions in the Middle East.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which lost 6.29 points Friday, tumbled 43.29 points, or 2.5 percent, to 1,706.05 - its lowest closing level in more than eight months.

At the Amsterdam Stock Exchange, stocks tumbled across the board, hammered by continued worries over the Mideast situation and a clutch of local economic negative factors. The exchange's CBS Tendency Index tumbled by 2.4 percent in falling 2.6 points to 105.3.

In Paris, stock prices on the Paris Bourse fell sharply, with the exchange's CAC 40 Index off almost 3.30 percent to 1,721.01.

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#90225u1313 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA (AUG. 13) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and calves 1,500; steers and heifers mostly 1.00 higher than last Tuesday; trading moderately active; cows and bulls scarce; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-3, few 4s 1100-1325 lb 77.00-78.00, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 75.50-77.00, select No 2-3 72.50-75.00; holstein steers select and choice No 2-3 1200-1350 lb 69.00-70.00, load mostly select dairy bred 67.00; heifers choice No 2-3, few 4s 1000-1150 lb 76.50-77.50, 4 loads 77.75-78.00, select and choice No 2-3 950-1100 lb 74.00-76.50, select No 2-3 72.00-74.00; cows high cutter, utility, commercial No 2-4 55.00-57.00, canner and low cutter few 53.00-55.00.

Hogs slaughter 1,500; butchers fully 1.00 higher, No 1-3 220-260 lb 58.50-59.00, No 1-2 200-220 lb 56.50-57.50, No 2-3 260-290 lb 56.50-58.00; sows 25 percent, 1.00-3.00 higher, No 1-3 350-500 lb 51.00-51.50, 450 lb and up to 52.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb mainly 54.00, instance 54.50.

Sheep 75, slaughter spring lambs and ewes steady, slaughter spring lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb 53.00-55.00, 100-120 lb 47.00-51.00, shorn slaughter ewes cull to good 13.00-17.00.

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#90225u1316 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Sudanese rebels say five days of fighting between government troops and rebel forces left 82 government soldiers dead. The clandestine radio station of the Sudanese People's Liberation Army says the fighting is for control of approaches leading to the the regional capital of Juba, 770 miles south of Khartoum. Since 1983, the predominantly Christian black African rebel group has fought a series of governments for control of southern Sudan.

Teamsters union members at United Parcel Service said ''yes'' to a three-year contract, over the objections of a negotiating committee that recommended the offer be rejected. Teamsters General President William McCarthy announced that some 65-thousand members voted in favor of the plan, while about 53-thousand others rejected it. Ratification of the deal ensures continued delivery of about 11-Million U-P-S packages a day. The deal includes a pay raise and a one-thousand-dollar bonus within a month of ratification for full-time U-P-S workers.

Motorists concerned about the rising price of gasoline can brace for another jolt when they get ready to winterize their autos. The price of anti-freeze also is on the way up. The senior vice president of Old World Automotive says chemicals needed to produce the product are already in tight domestic supply and manufacturers will have to fight a bidding war to buy products on spot markets.

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#90225u1326 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (AUG. 13) UPI - Economic sanctions imposed on Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait have produced early evidence of Iraqi food shortages, NATO officials were told Monday.

NATO's political committee met at the Western alliance's headquarters in what has become a daily session on the Persian Gulf crisis.

''There was an evaluation of the preliminary effect of sanctions, and there is some evidence that food shortages have already started to appear

in Iraq,'' a NATO source said.

The source stressed, however, the information shared at a meeting of high NATO officials was based on preliminary indications, and it was ''too early to draw any real conclusions'' on the impact of food shortages in Iraq or Kuwait.

He also declined to say which foodstuffs were in short supply in Iraq as a result of the sanctions imposed by the United States, the European Community, Japan and many other nations.

Iraq imports much of its food, purchased by oil revenues.

NATO's political committee also discussed, and gave a positive reaction, to the Soviet Union's ''helpful position'' in the Gulf crisis, the alliance source said.

Representatives of six Eastern European countries, including the Soviet Union, told NATO officials they were ''appreciative of actions NATO was taking,'' the source said.

The diplomatic liaisons from Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, Poland, Romania, Hungary and the Soviet Union were briefed last Friday on a meeting of NATO foreign ministers. The unprecedented exchange of information stemmed from the peace declaration toward the Warsaw Pact issued by Atlantic alliance leaders at their landmark London summit in June.

NATO officials also discussed the differences expressed by Arab nations at their special meeting in Cairo last Friday, in which a slim majority of Arab League members voted to send forces to Saudi Arabia.

Several NATO representatives ''expressed concern'' regarding their nationals living in the various Arab countries, the alliance source said.

NATO's political committee is comprised of senior diplomats from the 16 countries.

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#90225u1329 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NIAGARA FALLS, NY (AUG. 13) UPI - The first 10 of 236 homes to be resettled in the Love Canal area of Niagara Falls will be sold Wednesday, officials said Monday.

Pamela Cramer, administrative assistant of the Love Canal Revitalization Agency, said 237 people have inquired about purchasing a home in the neighborhood surrounding the former toxic chemical dump.

''Seven people are interested in one home in particular,'' Cramer said. ''The vast majority of the people are from the Niagara Falls area or Niagara County.''

One of the last obstacles for selling the homes was cleared last week when the state Disaster Preparedness Commission approved the plan to resettle the area.

Cramer said the first homes will go on sale despite threats of possible legal action to block the sales.

Several environmental groups, including the Citizen's Clearing House for Hazardous Waste, headed by former Love Canal resident Lois Gibbs, have threatened to launch the legal action.

The state and federal governments declared a state of emergency at Love Canal in August 1978, leading to the immediate, permanent relocation of 237 families living along the canal itself and the eventual evacuation of 1,000 families from the surrounding area over a three-year period.

The Occidental Chemical Corp., which acquired the Hooker Chemical Co. in 1968, dumped tons of toxins, including the potent carcinogen dioxin, in Love Canal in the 1940s and 1950s. Later, the canal was sealed with a clay cap and homes and a school were built on top of it.

Chemicals began oozing from the ground and, coupled with high incidences of birth defects and cancer, led the EPA to order the evacuations.

State Health Commissioner Dr. David Axelrod ruled in September 1988 that two-thirds of the area north and west of Love Canal were now suitable for resettlement.

Under terms of an agreement, the state is committed to repay a $7.5 million loan to the federal government from the sale of the homes. Payments have been due since 1983, but delays in resettlement of the area led to a moritorium on payments.

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DES PLAINES, Ill. (AUG. 13) UPI - Motorists concerned about the rising price of gasoline can brace for another jolt when they get ready to winterize their autos.

The price of antifreeze also is on the way up and the Middle East situation is one of the reasons, one of the nation's largest antifreeze marketers said Monday.

''Chemicals needed to produce antifreeze, such as ethylene, ethylene glycol and naphtha, already are in tight domestic supply,'' said Michael Barcum, senior vice president of Old World Automotive.

''Supplies of naphtha are expected to decrease even further because supply ships cannot pass through the Persian Gulf.''

He said production also will be hampered by the fact Japanese producers are selling ethylene to plastics manufacturers, rather than for antifreeze because they can charge more in that market.

Barcum said his company, which markets antifreeze under such brand names as PEAK, Full Force and Advance, is ''not happy'' at the prospect of a shortage.

''But we feel it's only fair to alert consumers to the situation so they will be prepared during the winter months,'' he said.

''We are anticipating a price increase for antifreeze within the next 30 days as a result of the current events in the Middle East,'' he said.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

SALES
Net Income (per share)

Latest Period	Year Earlier
AirGas Inc (1st Q 6-30)	
$79,331,000	$70,660,000
a-$1,278,000 (.21)	$875,000 (.14)

a-Income from continuing operations.

Berkshire Hathaway (2nd Q)	
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$82,917,000 (72.32)	$62,423,000 (54.45)
Black Hills (2nd Q)	
$30,087,000	$27,544,000
a-$4,668,000 (.51)	$4,659,000 (.51)

a-Income from continuing operations.

Deltona Corp (2nd Q 6-29)	
$8,424,000	$18,847,000

d-$3,971,000 $1,733,000 (.21)
d-Deficit.

Elco Indus Inc (4th Q 6-30)
$40,801,000 $39,367,000
$1,429,000 (.30) $2,033,000 (.43)

Elron Electronic Indus (2nd Q 6-30)
$88,041,000 $38,637,000
$2,061,000 (.14) $195,000 (.02)

ESI Indus (2nd Q)
$25,887,000 $32,901,000
d-$423,000 $920,000 (.19)
d-Deficit.

Health-Mor Inc (2nd Q 6-30)
$12,086,300 $10,364,688
$712,589 (.33) $465,654 (.21)

Home Depot Inc (2nd Q 7-29)
$990,346,000 $704,025,000
$47,239,000 (.39) $30,801,000 (.26)

Horn & Hardart (2nd Q)
$163,903,000 $142,460,000
d-$1,510,000 ad-$1,528,000
ad-Deficit, after a non-recurring income of $1,461,000 from settlement of litigation.
d-Deficit.

Leucadia Natl (2nd Q)
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a-$50,379,000 (4.09) $4,185,000 (.31)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Pathe Commun (2nd Q)
$64,249,000 $78,848,000
d-$27,073,000 d-$29,638,000
d-Deficit.

Teva Pharmaceuticals (2nd Q)
$145,849,000 $135,679,000
$7,784,000 (.35) $7,288,000 (.33)

Tootsie Roll Industries (2nd Q 6-30)
$42,608,000 $41,050,000
$4,630,000 (.48) $4,468,000 (.46)

United Coasts (2nd Q)

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$2,217,000 (.20)	$1,746,000 (.15)

United Cos Fncl (2nd Q)

$53,907,000	$53,067,000
$3,076,000 (.79)	$2,349,000 (.60)

Viatech Inc (2nd Q)

$64,354,000	$21,274,000
$1,403,000 (.81)	$366,000 (.29)

Wesco Financial (2nd Q)

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$6,469,000 (.91)	$6,121,000 (.86)

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KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine (AUG. 13) UPI - The Bush administration said Monday the de facto military blockade of Baghdad is ''being maintained'' and that some ships have already backed off from the Persian Gulf rather than risk confronting U.S. warships.

''We've had reports in recent hours of two or three ships turning away,'' White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said.

Fitzwater said the vessels made no contact with U.S. forces and turned away voluntarily. He said he had no further details.

Bush ordered U.S. forces Sunday to block all Iraqi imports and exports under week-old economic sanctions approved by the United Nations after Iraq occupied neighboring Kuwait Aug. 2. The invasion prompted Bush to order American troops and planes to Saudi Arabia to protect the oil kingdom from a possible Iraqi attack.

Briefing reporters near Bush's summer home in Maine Monday, Fitzwater said no Iraqi ships have left their ports.

''We are very optimistic at this point that the embargo will hold and that it will be effective,'' Fitzwater said. ''The embargo is being maintained.''

Fitzwater said the embargo covers ''everything'' - food as well as oil - but said some materials may eventually be permitted through for humanitarian reasons.

''The purpose of the embargo and the sanctions is to put them pinch on them (Iraq),'' Fitzwater said. ''You don't don't give them the essentials

to carry on the war.''

Fitzwater also announced that Bush, who began a 25-day vacation in Maine late Friday, will return to Washington Tuesday for a 24-hour visit, including meetings with military and economic aides.

He said one issue will be how the massive and costly U.S. military operation in the Persian Gulf will affect budget plans.

Fitzwater said Bush would go to the Pentagon Wednesday for a briefing on the military operation before returning to Kennebunkport.

On Monday, Bush called President Carlos Andres Perez of Venezuela, a major supplier of oil to the United States, to discuss future energy needs. The United States had relied on Iraq and Kuwait for about 4 percent of its oil.

The administration, in formally announcing its decision Sunday to interdict any Iraqi imports or exports, refused to use the word ''blockade.''

Some nation's consider a military blockade an act of war, and Bush has said the United States is not at war with Iraq.

Fitzwater said Monday, ''We're not interested in semantics. We're interdicting these ships. That's our policy. We choose to use the words that we believe best describe our policy.''

The press secretary refused to say what U.S. forces would do if a ship refused to backed off.

He also declined to say what other nations would join the United States in enforcing the embargo, saying the administration would leave it up to those countries to announce their participation.

While avoiding the term ''blockade, the White House announced Sunday that the United States, acting on a request from Kuwait's exiled leader, ''will do whatever is necessary'' to intercept shipments of oil and other vital goods in and out of Iraq.

Speaking to reporters, Bush asserted that the U.N. Charter ''gives us broad authority, working in conjunction with others, to do whatever is necessary to see that no oil gets out.''

The first elements of Arab forces began joining Americans in Saudi Arabia, where the buildup of U.S. troops and aircraft continued. U.S. naval vessels also converged on the region, with the American presence expected to reach 50 ships, inclduing three aircraft carriers.

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#90225u1394 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

SANTO DOMINGO, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (AUG. 13) UPI - Businesses in Santo Domingo and other cities were largely paralyzed Monday in the first day of a two-day general strike called to protest sharp price increases ordered by the government.

The strike was marred by the death of a student in the province of San Cristobal, 14 miles south of the capital. Witnesses said the student, identified as Juan Evangelista, was shot in the head by an army soldier.

In addition, there were reports of three demonstrators wounded by gunshots in the Los Mina neighborhood of Santo Domingo. The three were not identified, but witnesses said they had been demonstrating in favor of the strike.

A labor union and the leading opposition parties called the strike to protest the increased prices for fuel and basic foods ordered last week by President Joaquin Balaguer.

The 82-year-old Balaguer, who will start his second consecutive four-year term as president Thursday, warned he would send the army into the streets if the strike turned violent.

Juan Pablo Gomez, spokesman for the strike organizing committee, said Dominicans were firmly supporting the strike and that commerce was shut down in the capital.

Hardly any vehicles could be seen in the streets of Santo Domingo, and in the neighborhoods of the upper section of the capital, youths were seen burning tires while police stood guard against further violence.

Reports from around the country said the strike was also successful in most cities.

In Santiago, the major city in the north of the country, commerce and public transportation were halted.

In the poor section of El Cirielito two homemade bombs exploded, and an unidentified youth was injured, according to reports received in the capital.

The strike committee said several people had been arrested in Santiago.

In addition, another committee spokesman, Juan Gabriel del Rio, said several labor leaders had been arrested in the province of Villa Altagracia, near the capital.

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#90225u1400 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

MONROVIA, LIBERIA (AUG. 13) UPI - President Samuel Doe plans to remain in office for at least a year after an African peace-keeping force intervenes in the country's bloody civil war, a government spokesman said.

The spokesman was talking to reporters of three Western news agencies who had been arrested and beaten by government soldiers and threatened with being shot as spies. They were later released.

''The best thing is for Doe to stay,'' spokesman Selley Thompson told foreign reporters Sunday at the heavily guarded presidential mansion. This was a radical switch from Doe's previous offer to resign before the end of the year in order to end the conflict, which has degenerated into tribal warfare.

''If he decided to leave tomorrow morning there would be a bloodbath. The soldiers would go on a rampage,'' Thompson said.

''It's likely that if Doe decided to leave, the government's soldiers might even take power,'' Thompson said.

Meanwhile, a 2,400-member African peacekeeping force to be dispatched to Liberia began assembling in Sierra Leone under the jurisdiction of the Economic Community of West Africa States. The Nigerian contingent arrived in Freetown, Sierra Leone's capital, Sunday night, and contingents from Ghana, Guinea and Gambia are expected to arrive Monday, Leoneon Maj. Gen. M. S. Tarawlie said Monday.

Tarawlie said the schedule for the troops to enter Liberia was a secret, but military sources said they were expected to leave by Thursday by sea and air routes.

The forces have not been able to fly into Monrovia because rebels led by Charles Taylor, who opposes the introduction of peacekeepers, controls the international airport. His troops also are fighting government forces for control of Spriggs Payne airfield.

A rival guerrilla leader, Prince Johnson, said last weekend he would send a delegation to Freetown to make arrangements for the peacekeeping force to land in Monrovia's port, which he has controlled for two weeks.

The troops are also delayed by the need to carry all their supplies because Monrovia has been without fresh food, running water, electricity and regular telephone service for more than a month, military sources said.

Thompson said an earlier offer by Doe to step down before the end of his presidential mandate in October 1991 was no longer valid.

Thompson spoke to reporters who had been brought to the executive mansion under arrest after they crossed the front line on foot from rebel- to government-controlled territory in the center of Monrovia.

The three reporters had watches, wallets, money and other valuables forcibly taken from them by soldiers. Some items were returned under orders of senior officers, but others vanished.

The reporters, accused of being spies, were forced to walk shoeless and were on several occasions slapped and punched and threatened with rifle butts. They also had their shirts ripped from their chests and were accused of being spies.

Thompson and other senior officers apologized for the behavior of their troops. ''You have to understand they're very nervous,'' said Lt. Col. Moses Thomas, head of an elite anti-terrorist squad.

The reporters were escorted after two hours to the Barclay Training Center and then made their own way back across the lines without incident.

Thompson said U.S. forces in Liberia were again involved in the conflict, this time spraying tear gas from a helicopter on government troops in the city center Sunday.

The United States, which has stationed a four-ship naval squadron and helicopters off the coast to evacuate Americans and other foreign nationals and protect the U.S. Embassy, has consistently denied any involvement.

The Liberian government in the past has said Doe's mansion was attacked from a U.S. helicopter and that a U.S. submarine fired at Doe's fortress.

The soldiers paraded Isaac Nyenplu, former minister of justice, who they said was wounded in his throat and back by fire from a U.S. helicopter Thursday.

''I was standing beside Doe on the sixth floor of the mansion,'' he said. ''The gun must have had a telescopic sight. When I dropped, the helicopter moved out to sea.''

Nyenplu was bandaged and said he planned to go to the United States for treatment. The United States has denied its helicopters attacked anyone.

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#90225u1406 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

PASADENA, Calif. (AUG. 13) UPI - Other than a few minor glitches, NASA's Magellan probe sailed into orbit around cloud-choked Venus in good shape, officials said Monday, with tests of the spacecraft's critical radar mapping system on tap later this week.

Capable of showing surface features as small as a football field - 10 times better than every before - Magellan, the centerpiece of a $551 million project to map Venus's hidden surface, dropped into orbit around the planet Friday after a 15-month voyage from Earth.

James Doyle, a spokesman for the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, said Monday the spacecraft ended up in a near-perfect orbit tilted 85.5 degrees to Venus's equator with a low point of 183 miles and a high point of 5,253 miles.

Engineers had been aiming for an orbit measuring 170 by 5,000 miles. Given the accuracy of the rocket firing Friday, a ''trim burn'' to fine-tune the orbit using Magellan's liquid-fueled maneuvering rockets will not be necessary.

Otherwise, the spacecraft survived the jarring braking maneuver Friday in excellent condition with only a few minor glitches.

Over the weekend, engineers tried to figure out what caused a computer chip in a backup guidance system to perform erratically after the spacecraft's spent solid-fuel braking motor was discarded Friday night.

''They were getting telemetry that was indicating an intermittent problem '' Doyle said. ''It's part of a backup system. It's like having a stuck traffic signal. This part of the subsystem takes commands and redirects them to other parts of the spacecraft. They can reroute those commands. It's not a significant problem at all.''

Engineers planned to aim Magellan's high-data-rate main antenna at Earth Monday to study detailed telemetry from the spacecraft in bid to find out what caused the original problem, which was not expected to have any impact on the probe's mission.

''It is not a continuing or significant problem at all,'' Doyle said. ''Everything else is coming out very well.''

Magellan, built by Martin Marietta Astronautics Group of Denver, was designed to map at least 90 percent of Venus's surface during its planned 243-day mission, photographing features as small as 350 feet across to revolutionize knowledge about the mysterious planet.

Engineers plan to begin testing the radar imaging system Thursday and if all goes well, mapping will begin in early September. But if preliminary

tests generate any particularly interesting images, project officials may decide to release them to the public.

''There's a slim possibility,'' Doyle said. ''If they can get something within the first couple of days ... they will release it before the end of the month. They don't want to promise they're going to come out with an image until they start mapping.''

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) UPI - Mayor Marion Barry, a lifelong Democrat, will switch his political party affiliation to independent to keep his options open for a possible bid for a fourth term or an at-large seat on the City Council, a spokeswoman said Monday.

Barry, who has until midnight Monday to change parties if he is to seek a post in this fall's elections, scheduled a 3 p.m. EDT meeting at the District of Columbia Board of Elections and Ethics to register as an independent, spokeswoman Vera Jackson said.

By shedding his political affiliation, the three-term mayor would have until Aug. 29 to file as an independent candidate. Such a switch would enable Barry to run for a post in the Nov. 6 general election.

Barry, convicted Friday of a single misdemeanor cocaine possession charge, reportedly is interested in a council seat as a way to fulfill the 20-year requirement he needs to retire with full government pension. The date for filing as a Democrat has passed.

There are currently five candidates for two at-large council seats, including incumbent Hilda Mason.

Barry served on the council from 1974 until his election as mayor in 1978.

At-large candidate Terry Lynch predicted if Barry runs, he will be plagued by his ''negative track record'' and an electorate ''desperate about the situation of the city.''

Barry was convicted Friday of one misdemeanor cocaine possession count and acquitted of another by a federal jury. A mistrial was declared on 12 other cocaine and perjury counts against him.

Barry still could be retried on those charges, which include three felonies.

Under city law, Barry would be precluded from holding office only if jailed after a felony conviction.

U.S. Attorney Jay Stephens has said he will announce at a Sept. 17 court hearing whether Barry will be retried, but the mayor Saturday called on Stephens to let the jury's ruling ''be our last judgment.''

In a speech to hundreds of cheering city residents, Barry asked forgiveness ''for any hurt I may have caused.''

Barry supporters could be heard shouting, ''Four more years!'' and many Washington voters - especially blacks - interviewed since the verdict have said they would still vote for the veteran mayor and former civil rights activist.

Ten government witnesses during Barry's 10-week trial testified the mayor used cocaine or obtained the drug dating back to 1983, and an FBI videotape of the Jan. 18 sting at which Barry was arrested showed him smoking crack.

Barry faces a maximum sentence of one year in prison and a $100,000 fine under his single conviction. But as a first-time offender, he is not expected to receive a prison sentence.

Barry announced June 13 during jury selection at his trial that he would not seek a fourth term as mayor, calling it a ''time for healing; for me personally and for you politically.''

If he should run for a fourth term, he would face Maurice Turner, the city's former police chief who converted to the Republican Party last summer, and the winner of the Sept. 11. Democratic primary.

In the past, the Democratic primary has been considered the defacto general election in a city where more than 80 percent of voters are registered Democrats.

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#90225u1430 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - The international effort to isolate Iraq appears to be on solid ground. In the first instance of a U-N-approved embargo against Iraq Saudi officials today refused to give docking clearance to an Iraqi oil tanker. Meanwhile, the multi-national armed force in the Persian Gulf region keeps growing. France today sent more than 22-hundred troops to the area.

An oil industry source in Cyprus says pumping has stopped in the Kuwaiti half of a neutral zone that separates Iraqi-controlled Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. The Saudi side of the zone is pumping as usual. Western diplomats refuse to say if U-S troops are located in the Saudi portion of the

neutral zone to fend off any possible Iraqi attack.

A source at the NATO headquarters in Brussels says economic sanctions against Iraq appear to be creating Iraqi food shortages. The source stressed that the assumption of an impending food shortage in the Middle East nation is based on a preliminary evaluation of U-N-backed sanctions. He added it is- quote- ''too early to draw any real conclusions.''

A spokeswoman for life-long Democrat Marion Barry says the Washington, D-C mayor is meeting this afternoon with election officials to register as an independent. Vera Jackson says the switch would give Barry time to consider running for a fourth term... or for a seat on the City Council. A jury last week convicted Barry of a single misdemeanor charge of cocaine possession.

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#90225u1448 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Indian officials deny the accuracy of Pakistani T-V reports that say Indian troops sent heavy artillery fire across the Kashmir border that separates the two nations. Pakistan state television says the attack yesterday was aimed at seizing a military post on Pakistani soil. Both sides claim sovereignty over the divided Kashmir region.

Co-ordinators of the Hubble Space Telescope's cosmic journey say the one-point-five-BILLION-dollar eye-in-the-sky... even with its flaws... still produces very useful information. Baltimore's Space Telescope Science Institute said today that computer-enhanced images produced by the Hubble can clear the space observatory's blurry vision.

Officials at United Parcel Service say they are pleased that U-P-S union workers have approved a new three-year contract. The pact calls for the average driver's hourly rate to escalate one dollar 50 cents in the next three years... to 17 dollars 60 cents an hour. The Teamsters union had recommended that the rank-and-file reject the proposal.

Just when you got a handle on rising gasoline prices... here come higher costs for winterizing your car. One of the nation's biggest marketers of anti-freeze, Old World Automotive of Des Plaines, Illinois, says the Gulf crisis is reducing availability of chemicals used in anti-freeze.

Recyclers have a brand-new bag... and they're showing it at the annual hardware show in Chicago. A spokesman for Webster Industries of Peabody, Massachusetts, says his company makes two types of trash bags that are more than 50 percent recycled plastic. The bags are called ''Renew.''

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#90225u1471 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
KALMAZOO, MI (AUG. 13) UPI - Stryker Corp. said Monday that Kenneth Palmer has been appointed executive vice president of the Medical Division.

Palmer will be responsible for all product development and operations for the division, the company said. He was most recently president of Paragon Products and prior to that he was vice president of manufacturing for Everest & Jennings.

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#90225u1491 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
MONTREAL (AUG. 13) UPI - Mohawk Indians and Canadian authorities signed a preliminary agreement to resume talks toward ending two lengthy armed standoffs in a controversy that triggered a riot by residents, officials said Monday.

The riot by rock-throwing, stick-wielding protesters began late Sunday and lasted until early Monday. Seventeen policemen were wounded before police used tear gas to disperse the demonstrators.

Kanesatake Mohawks erected a roadblock about four months ago at a golf course expansion site on land they claim as theirs. Police arrived on the scene and a standoff ensued. On July 11, an abortive police raid on the roadblock left a policeman dead.

Mohawks also blocked a Montreal bridge in solidarity.

The agreement reached Sunday calls for the Mohawks to tear down the barricades and calls for observers from the International Federation of Human Rights or the United Nations as well as the free movement of food, supplies and Indian advisers across the barricades.

The federal government will appoint a negotiator and both sides will wait for the observers to start talks, government spokeswoman Helen Fisher said. The observers may arrive as early as Tuesday.

Even as the agreement was being reached Sunday, some 5,000 Chateauguay residents frustrated with traffic delays at the blocked Montreal bridge demonstrated against the barricades and alleged police brutality.

When police arrested seven protesters, the crowd followed police back to the nearby St. Martin police station. The crowd broke all windows at the station and shattered windows on two police cars.

Riot gear-equipped Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Quebec police fended off the crowd, and 17 policemen were wounded, Quebec police spokesman

Constable Richard Bourdon said. It was not known how many civilians were hurt.

The crowd then returned to the Mercier bridge at Chateauguay to protest and police dispersed protesters with tear gas early Monday, Bourdon said.

Quebec police arrested 18 people on charges of assaulting police, damaging public property and the obstruction of justice, Bourdon said.

The Quebec government will review the incidents, representative Johanne Denault said.

Many of the Mohawk Warriors guarding the barricade at Kanesatake and the bridge barricade are members of the Warriors Society from the troubled St. Regis Indian reserve that straddles the U.S.-Canada border near Massena, N.Y.

The St. Regis Mohawk Warriors sided with pro-gambling forces and against traditional chiefs when pro and anti-gambling factions clashed in May, leaving two dead. Canadian government officials have accused the Warriors of being criminals who are holding the reserves hostage.

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#90225u1496 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 13) UPI - An expert on human behavior, testifying Monday at the trial of three former Northwest Airlines pilots accused of flying under the influence of alcohol, said a person with alcoholic parents would likely have a greater tolerance to alcohol than would the general public.

James Wilson, professor of behaviorial genetics and psychology at the University of Colorado, took the stand to buttress defense claims that although the crew members had consumed alcohol the previous night, they were not impaired March 8 when at the controls of a Boeing 727 with 91 passengers aboard during a flight from Fargo, N.D., to Minneapolis.

Wilson said heavy drinkers build up both physical and psychological tolerances to large amounts of alcohol and that the brain learns to compensate for the impairment alcohol causes in people who drink less frequently and in smaller quantities.

The tolerance many alcoholics develop also can be passed on to their children, Wilson said.

The flight captain, Norman Prouse, testified last week that both his parents were alcoholics and that he is chemically dependent with a long history of heavy drinking. Prouse, 51, of Conyers, Ga., entered a treatment program shortly after his arrest.

Wilson said later that back-calculating a person's blood-alcohol level to determine earlier intoxication levels has ''pitfalls and it should be done very carefully. ''Wilson also said performance, rather than blood-alcohol content, is the more accurate barometer to gauge the impact alcohol has on individuals.

''Everybody is different,'' Wilson said in direct contrast to prosecution witnesses who testified that the pilots' tested blood-alcohol levels indicated they would have been seriously impaired during the flight.

Prouse tested with a blood-alcohol level of .12 percent about 2 1/4 hours after the flight landed, with co-pilot Robert Kirchner testing at .06 percent and flight engineer Joseph Balzer, .04 percent. A blood-alcohol level of .10 for motorists is considered legally drunk in many states.

The pilots are the first to be charged under a 1986 federal law making it a crime to operate a plane with a blood-alcohol level higher than .10. But pilots can be charged with flying under the influence at lower blood-alcohol levels if impairment is proven.

Wilson said many people show little or no impairment at levels of .10 percent or greater.

Peter Wold, Prouse's attorney, also called an Edina, Minn., eye doctor who testified that the pilot has an eye condition, pingueaule, which causes the eyes to appear bloodshot much of the time. Several prosecution witnesses said they observed Prouse with bloodshot eyes the day of the flight.

Wold was expected to conclude his arguments late Monday and give way to Bill Mauzy, who will begin his defense of Kirchner, 36, of Highland Ranch, Colo. Kirchner also is expected to testify in his own defense, probably Tuesday.

Balzer, 34, of Antioch, Tenn., could be on the stand by Thursday.

Also Monday, U.S. District Judge James Rosenbaum allowed testimony by Steven Sapp, a friend of Balzer's for 12 years, to testify on Balzer's honesty and truthfulness. Sapp will be unable to testify later this week and was allowed to testify out of order.

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#90225u1504 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

LIMA, PERU (AUG. 13) UPI - Bank employees walked off their jobs Monday in the opening round of a series of labor actions aimed at protesting the economic austerity plan of President Alberto Fujimori.

State employees were urged to stage a slowdown by union leader Cesar Pasalacqua, who said the job action would constitute ''insubordination.''

He and other union leaders have also announced a march against hunger for Thursday.

Unionized miners have anounced a two-day walkout for Aug. 20 and 21.

Fujimori, inaugurated July 28, last week raised the price of gasoline from the equivalent of 8 U.S. cents a gallon to $1.88 a gallon to bring fuel prices in line with production costs.

He also ended price and exchange controls, bringing steep price increases for bread and milk.

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#90225u1509 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Saudi Arabia and Syria demonstrated their solidarity with U.S.-led efforts to prevent further Iraqi aggression Monday, while support for Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein displayed by Jordan and on the streets in the region reflected the divided Arab response to the crisis.

As Syria deployed a ''symbolic military force'' to Saudi Arabia, the oil-rich kingdom forbid an Iraqi tanker from loading oil Monday at a Red Sea port in a major test of the U.N.-sanctioned trade embargo against Iraq.

The dispatch of Syrian forces, along with non-Arab but Moslem Pakistan's announcement it will also send troops, follows deployments by Egypt and Morocco - the first to act on an Arab League decision that created an Arab peacekeeping force to stand alongside U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia.

Only Libya and the PLO openly sided with Iraq in the crisis, but Jordan and several other members of the 21-member Arab League have refused to condemn the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

In addition, Saddam's call last Friday for Arabs and Moslems to rise up against their pro-Western leaders and launch a holy war against the U.S.-led foreign presence in Saudi Arabia has generated daily pro-Iraqi demonstrations in the Middle East.

Tens of thousands turned out for anti-U.S. protests over the weekend in Jordan, Lebanon, Yemen, Algeria, Somalia and the Israeli-occupied territories, with especially strong showings by the disenchanted Palestinian communities.

Monday, several thousand Sudanese marched to the U.S. Embassy in the

capital Khartoum to express support for Saddam, protesting foreign intervention in the Arab world and calling for the immediate withdrawal of foreign troops from Arab lands.

Thousands of U.S. soldiers are now in Saudi Arabia and defense sources said last week the total buildup could reach 50,000 men. Dozens of U.S. warships are among an international armada now forming in the Persian Gulf in response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of its southern neighbor Kuwait.

The Sudanese demonstrators organized by the fundamentalist Islamic students' union and three other trades unions, chanted and sang as they marched.

''Down, down U.S.A.,'' ''Go away, C.I.A.,'' ''One Arab army for one Arab nation,'' ''Allah akbar yaa Yahood,'' (God is great, you Jews), ''Shame on you American Arab agents'' were some of the slogans they shouted.

Iraq's top envoy to Italy spoke to a group of pro-Iraqi Arab residents of Rome gathered at the Iraqi Embassy Monday and called on Italians to oppose their country's participation in what he called ''the aggressive American campaign against the Arab world.''

The Persian Gulf crisis has shattered traditional Arab alliances and forced leaders to take sides.

Syria on Monday joined the United States and Israel in rejecting Saddam's conditions for ending the crisis, which included a call for the end of to a trade embargo against Iraq, removal of U.S. and foreign forces from Saudi Arabia and replacement with a U.N.-organized Arab force excluding Egypt.

Faced with the economic isolation and the military buildup around his country, Saddam Sunday also called for the unconditional and immediate withdrawal of Israel from the occupied territories and removal of Syria's presence in Lebanon before negotiations on ''arrangements'' for Kuwait could begin.

Jordan's King Hussein, who faces domestic pressure from Jordanians and Palestinians who support Saddam, supported the Iraqi leader's claim saying he could not understand why foreign governments condemned Saddam while tolerating Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

''We have no explanation for this contradiction except for the industrialized nations' determination to reshape our area ... to serve its interests without paying attention to the legitimate interests of the people of the area,'' Egypt's Middle East News Agency quoted the king as saying.

The Palestine Liberation Organization, meanwhile, also expressed support for Saddam's proposals, calling them ''positive and realistic.''

On the other hand, as the first of Syria's forces headed for Saudi Arabia, Pakistan announced its decision ''to join the Islamic contingents for the defense of Saudi Arabia.''

Frontline state Turkey has passed a bill giving the government of Prime Minister Yildirim Akbulut special powers to declare the country in a state of war, in case of an emergency. The new law permits the government to deploy foreign allied troops on Turkish soil and to order its own forces abroad.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 13) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.81	2.82 1/2	2.73 3/4	2.75 1/4	2.80 1/2
Dec	2.96 1/2	2.97 1/2	2.89 1/2	2.90 3/4	2.96
Mar	3.04	3.06	2.98 3/4	3.00 1/4	3.04 1/4
May	3.11	3.11	3.04	3.05	3.11
Jly	3.09	3.10	3.05	3.05	3.12 1/2
Sep	3.15	3.15	3.11	3.11	3.14
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.49 1/2	2.49 1/2	2.44	2.45 1/4	2.50 1/4
Dec	2.44	2.44 1/2	2.40 1/2	2.41 1/2	2.44 3/4
Mar	2.52 1/2	2.52 3/4	2.49 1/4	2.50	2.53 1/2
May	2.58 3/4	2.59	2.56	2.57 1/4	2.60
Jly	2.61 3/4	2.62 3/4	2.60	2.60 3/4	2.62 3/4
Sep	2.60	2.60 1/2	2.56	2.56 1/4	2.59 1/4
Dec	2.58	2.59	2.55 1/4	2.56	2.59 1/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.18 1/4	1.18 1/2	1.16	1.16	1.19 1/2
Dec	1.29	1.29 1/2	1.27	1.27	1.30 1/4
Mar	1.40	1.40	1.37 1/4	1.37 3/4	1.40 3/4
May	1.46	1.46	1.43 1/2	1.43 1/2	1.46 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Aug	6.06	6.07	5.98 1/2	6.03 1/4	6.08 3/4
Sep	6.12	6.12 1/2	6.04	6.08 1/2	6.14
Nov	6.23	6.24	6.14 3/4	6.19 1/2	6.26

Jan	6.33	6.34	6.26	6.31	6.36 1/2
Mar	6.43 1/2	6.44 1/2	6.37	6.40	6.47 1/2
May	6.49 1/2	6.52	6.44	6.48 1/4	6.54
Jly	6.55 1/2	6.58	6.50	6.56	6.59 1/2
Nov	6.30	6.30	6.17	6.18 3/4	6.32 3/4

Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Aug	24.50	24.80	24.50	24.76	24.82
Sep	24.50	24.67	24.42	24.63	24.69
Oct	24.50	24.71	24.45	24.71	24.72
Dec	24.70	24.84	24.55	24.80	24.84
Jan	24.80	24.85	24.72	24.90	24.91
Mar	24.98	25.02	24.82	25.02	25.02
May	24.95	25.08	24.90	25.08	25.10
Jly	25.00	25.90	24.95	25.10	25.17
Aug	24.95	24.95	24.85	24.92	25.15

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Aug	175.80	175.80	171.20	173.10	176.50
Sep	176.80	176.80	172.50	174.40	177.50
Oct	177.50	177.50	173.50	175.80	178.30
Dec	181.00	181.00	176.50	178.60	181.40
Jan	182.30	182.30	178.00	179.90	182.70
Mar	184.50	184.50	181.00	182.40	185.40
May	183.50	183.50	183.00	183.20	186.20
Jly	184.50	185.00	184.40	184.70	188.00
Aug	184.00	184.50	184.00	184.20	186.00

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MIAMI (AUG. 13) UPI - A man poisoned by a cocaine-tainted malt drink was declared brain dead Monday and his mother has decided to disconnect life-support systems, hospital officials said.

Maximo Rene Menendez, 25, had been in a coma since drinking the contaminated bottle of Pony Malta de Bavaria on July 26.

Dr. Armando Bienes, a neurologist at AMI Kendall Regional Medical Center, conducted tests last week and found no sign of neural activity.

Additional exams conducted by a second neurologist, Dr. Juan Simon, confirmed the finding, and Menendez was declared brain dead Monday.

Doctors, administrators and lawyers met with his family Monday before Judge Robert Newman. Menendez's mother, Margarita Rabaza, decided to disconnect the life-support systems, a hospital spokeswoman said.

The judge offered his condolences to the family, and signed an order agreeing with the decision to end life support. The order does not go into effect for 24 hours, Newman said.

A hospital spokeswoman, Roxana Fernandez, said the machinery probably would be disconnected Tuesday morning.

''I want justice performed,'' the mother said.

Federal officials are still looking for the source of the cocaine. The bottle Menendez drank was purchased at a Miami supermarket. The non-alcoholic malt drink was pulled from the shelves, and the FBI later discovered 20 bottles of Pony Malta de Bavaria were contaminated with lethal doses of cocaine. Some contained 200 times the lethal dose.

Investigators believe Colombian drug traffickers were attempting to smuggle the cocaine into the United States by dissolving it in the malta, and planned to filter it out later but somehow lost track of the shipment.

The FBI, Customs Service, the Drug Enforcment Administration and the Food and Drug Administration have formed a task force to investigate. They are searching for Hugo Alfredo Rios, a Colombian man who imported the beverage through his company, Miami Sweet.

The company's warehouse has been abandoned. The malta's manufacturer, Bavaria S.A. of Bogota, Colombia, said neither Rios nor Miami Sweet was authorized to import the drink.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) - About 500 Americans have managed to get out of Kuwait since the Iraqi invasion, but the State Department began broadcasting warnings Monday telling the estimated 2,500 Americans left behind that it would be dangerous to try any large-scale breakouts.

But the broadcasts over the Voice of America tells the Americans to prepare for eventual evacuation and that they will be told how and when to get out.

The broadcasts on VOA say, ''We do not, repeat, do not, recommend Americans try to cross the Kuwaiti border.''

Apparently because of rumors in Kuwait that the border to Saudi Arabia was open, 40 to 50 carloads of Americans headed out of Kuwait City Monday, but were stopped at the border, where they sat for hours in the blazing heat.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said she would not describe

the methods used by the various Americans who succeeded in getting out of the country, in order not to compromise the methods.

One British citizen was reported shot and killed Sunday when Iraqi troops fired on a small convoy of cars at the Saudi border. At least one American was in that convoy, according to U.S. sources. He was not injured and is now in Saudi Arabia.

In Iraq, where 500 to 600 civilian Americans are still unable to leave the country, the embassy reported that food supplies are getting short in the city, affecting foreigners like everybody else.

The State Department said the U.S. interdiction will prevent food shipments from reaching Iraq ''for now'' since the situation is not desperate enough to qualify Iraq for humanitarian aid. Humanitarian food supplies and medicines would be specifically excluded from the world-wide embargo if the situation in Iraq became desperate.

Tutwiler said that the State Department would try to get another group of diplomatic personnel and dependents out of the country this week. Ten diplomats and dependents succeeded in getting to Jordan Saturday, along with Penelope Nabokov, a 10-year-old American girl from Albany, Calif.

Iraqis have said that diplomats can leave Iraq and Kuwait, seven days after applying for an exit visa.

There are about 120 diplomats at the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait and another 27 in Baghdad. Tutwiler said that the plan is to reduce the size of both staffs.

The State Department said it is in frequent contact with the Iraqis about getting the Americans out of Kuwait and Iraq, but the answers from the Iraqis so far have been ''unacceptable.''

The Iraqis, in a move that suggests there a deliberate policy to keep the Americans and Europeans stranded, are letting some Africans, south Asians and Latin Americans out of the country, but other nationalities appear to be in the same boat as the Americans.

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#90225u1523 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

PAINESVILLE, OH (AUG. 13) UPI - A judge trying to seat a jury in the murder trial of a cult leader overruled defense objections Monday to two prospective jurors who had read extensive media coverage about the case.

Jeffrey Don Lundgren, 40, a native of Independence, Mo., could face the death penalty if convicted in Lake County Common Pleas Court on any of the

five aggravated murder charges against him.

He is the alleged triggerman in the April 17, 1989, slayings of a five-member Kirtland family that belonged to a cult Lundgren organized after breaking away from the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

The bodies of the five Avery family members, including children ages 15, 13 and 6, were found in a Kirtland barn east of Cleveland Jan. 3-4 after authorities received a telephone call from a tipster.

Since then, the activities of the cult and the alleged events the day of the shootings have received intensive media attention in northeast Ohio and Lundgren's attorney, Paul LaPlante, has sought to have the trial moved elsewhere.

Judge Martin Parks, however, said last week he first wanted to attempt to seat a jury.

LaPlante objected to the first two candidates interviewed Monday after they said they regularly read newspapers, but Parks refused to dismiss the prospective jurors and moved both of them on to a second interviewing phase.

More than 50 prospective jurors are to be interviewed individually. It took more than two hours hours to interview the first two candidates Monday morning.

Five cult members have already pleaded guilty and agreed to testify in remaining cases.

Alice Lundgren, wife of the cult leader, was convicted last month on five counts each of conspiracy to commit aggravated murder, complicity to commit aggravated murder and kidnapping. She could be sentenced to life in prison.

Still awaiting trial on aggravated murder charges are the Lundgrens' son, Damon Lundgren, Ronald Luff and Daniel Kraft.

Lundgren is said to have led several Reorganized Church members from Independence, Mo., to Kirtland, home of a historic church temple. The one-time lay minister then left the church to lead his small cult, which allegedly at one point plotted to take over the temple.

The group left the Kirtland area the day after the shootings to move near Davis, W.Va., in April 1989 and then on to Chilhowee, Mo., in October before breaking up.

The Lundgrens were arrested near San Diego.

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#90225u1537 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 13) UPI - Army troops, newly trained in the basics of firefighting, were enroute Monday to relieve some of the thousands of weary crews battling wildfires that have ravaged the West.

Hundreds of fires, most sparked by lightning strikes, had blackened more than 400,000 acres across seven Western states by Monday. Twenty-eight of the blazes were still burning Monday across 330,000 acres in California, Idaho, Washington, Oregon and Utah. Fires in Montana and Nevada had been controlled.

Although progress had been made, weather forecasts were mixed.

''The good news is, there is a chance of significant precipation'' in Southern California, Nevada and Utah, said Arnold Hartigan, spokesman for the National Fire Information Center in Boise, Idaho.

''The bad news,'' he added, ''is that the same conditions will create conditions for dry thunderstorms and 15 to 20 knot winds in northern California, Oregon and Washington - where the worst fires are still burning.''

By Tuesday, some 20,000 firefighters on the lines since the blazes began raging Aug. 6 were expected to see some relief as more than 2,000 active-duty soldiers join the effort to douse fires in Oregon and California.

The fires hit hardest in California, where some 12,000 firefighters battled about 1,300 fires that had charred more than 200,000 acres. Most of the fires were sparked by more than 30,000 lightning strikes reported in the last week.

Fires that forced the closure of Yosemite National Park at the height of the summer tourist season consumed more than 18,000 acres and moved perilously close to a grove of ancient redwoods.

Still, firefighters were gaining the upper hand.

One of three major lightning-caused blazes in Yosemite, the 4,000-acre A Rock fire, was nearly 40 percent contained after jumping the park's boundaries Sunday and spreading into the Stanislaus National Forest.

The 13,243-acre Steamboat fire in Yosemite was 50 percent contained with full containment expected Thursday evening. A third blaze, the 550-acre

Tuolumne Grove fire, forced evacuation of 12 summer homes Sunday.

Weather forecasts Monday warned that the area could be hit by afternoon lightning strikes that could spark more fires in the picturesque, drought-stricken mountains that surround the park.

Park officials said Yosemite, which was closed Thursday, would remain shut down to visitors at least through Wednesday. The fires there have not touched famed Yosemite Valley, but have covered the breathtaking rock formations that tower above it with a smoky haze.

The absence of thousands of tourists who normally flood the park each day in the summer has brought the area a pristine summer stillness that has not been seen in a generation. It has also left merchants hurting.

The park's main concessionaire, the Yosemite Park & Curry Co., stands to lose ''a few hundred thousand dollars'' each day, a company official said, and business at motels and restaurants throughout Mariposa County is down 50 percent in what is usually the busiest week of the year.

Fourteen major fires elsewhere in California had burned more than 200,000 acres of timberland. All were still burning Monday, though no new major outbreaks were reported.

Injuries were reported to more than 45 firefighters in the state's largest blaze in Tehama County, most stemming from extreme fatique, a California Department of Forestry spokesman said.

Firefighters had dug lines around about 70 percent of the largest of the blazes in Tehama, which had burned 114,000 acres. Another fire, about 4 miles to the north, was 50 percent contained after burning 17,500 acres.

Barring the outbreak of new fires elsewhere, about 1,200 soldiers from Fort Carson, Colo., were en route to join the firefighting effort in Northern California.

The troops received preliminary training at Fort Carson before their departure.

Additionally, two battalions totaling about 1,200 soldiers were on their way from Fort Lewis, Wash., to fire lines in Oregon, where weary firefighters have worked for a week to contain fires that have blackened more than 123,000 acres in the eastern part of the state.

The largest of the Oregon fires had burned about 75,000 acres in the Ochoco National Forest and was 90 percent contained by early Monday. Full containment was expected at 6 p.m.

Progress was also reported in other states:

-In Washington, firefighters managed to stem dozens of wildfires burning in the eastern part of the state despite temperatures that soared to near 100 degrees during the weekend.

-In Idaho, nature gave firefighters a break during the weekend as fire crews managed to contain Idaho's largest range fires, including the 65,000-acre Thorn Creek blaze.

-In Utah, showery, cooler weather helped firefighters control the state's largest four wildfires over the weekend. The majority of the crews freed from the Utah lines were sent to help California battle its wildfires, officials said Monday.

-In Nevada, seven blazes last week consumed more than 11,225 acres.

-In Montana, two fires scorched 870 acres. Both are contained.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 13) UPI - Two Texas women may have been the first patients in the nation to die after developing infections associated with a new anesthetic, a published report said Monday.

The elderly women were among 16 patients who developed infections in June and July after receiving propofol, sold under the trade name Diprivan, during surgery at Houston's Twelve Oaks Hospital, said Dennis Perrotta, chief epidemiologist for the Texas health department.

Perrotta told the Houston Chronicle that the Diprivan-related infections have not been proven to be the direct cause of the women's deaths and the investigation is continuing.

Clusters of infections stemming from the use of Diprivan have also been reported in at least 24 patients at four other hospitals in California, Illinois, Maine and Michigan. The federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta and the Food and Drug Administration are investigating the reports.

Diprivan, approved last year by the FDA, is an injectable, fast-acting anesthetic agent that can be used in a number of ways. Its chief advantage is that it induces sleeps rapidly and patients awake quickly.

Diprivan has been administered to an estimated 10 million patients worldwide and 650,000 in the United States since it was introduced by Stuart Pharmaceuticals of Wilmington, Del.

CDC spokeswoman Gail Lloyd said her agency had received no reports of deaths linked to the infection outbreaks. But the CDC statistics did not include the Houston cases, Perrotta said.

Joan Tracy, assistant administrator at Twelve Oaks Hospital, said one of the deaths may be attributable to the Diprivan-related infection. The other woman also developed an infection after receiving Diprivan, but Tracy said her death does not appear to have been caused by the microbe involved.

The drug apparently was not contaminated when it reached the hospital. CDC and FDA investigators said they found such infections appear to stem from the ''failure by hospital personnel to adhere to aseptic (germ-free) techniques leading to contamination of Diprivan.''

Stuart Pharmaceuticals sent a letter to doctors across the nation July 6 warning that Diprivan should not be used for more than one patient and should be given under sterile conditions, FDA spokeswoman Faye Peterson said.

The drug is packaged in a soybean-oil-in-water emulsion that does not contain a bacteria-inhibiting agent. Studies at the CDC found that bacteria introduced into the medication grow quickly during a 24-hour period.

Eileen Cuniffe, a spokeswoman for Stuart Pharmaceuticals, said Diprivan is a single-use anesthetic, which means it should be given to one patient and then thrown away. ''The problems seem to occur when it is used for more than one patient and allowed to sit for a while,'' Cuniffe said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - A three-alarm fire in a substation near the Brooklyn Bridge knocked out power Monday to most of lower Manhattan, including the American Stock Exchange, the twin towers of the World Trade Center and subway lines.

People were reported stuck in elevators, and traffic lights were blacked out, snarling traffic in most of lower Manhattan.

The New York Stock Exchange was not affected by the fire that broke out at 11:49 a.m. in a Consolidated Edison building near the South Street Seaport.

Acrid smoke drifted north toward the Brooklyn Bridge, forcing police and firefighters into masks.

Thousands of officer workers, many of whom never made it back from lunch

or had to walk down dozens of flights of stairs, milled around in the streets.

Many stores with no lights or air conditioning closed for the day.

Traffic officials declared an emergency and asked motorists to stay out of Manhattan south of Canal Street.

The smoke from the fire overcame 13 firefighters and drifted north past City Hall and the Brooklyn Bridge. Eight firefighters were taken to area hospitals. There were no reports of other injuries.

It was unclear what sparked the blaze or when power would be restored.

When power went out, people were trapped in about 40 of the World Trade Center's 198 elevators, said Armando Arrastia, a spokesman for the Port Authority, which operates the twin towers.

Using emergency power, Arrastia said the trapped office workers were being helped from the building, along with others on upper floors. Many workers were walking down long flights of stairs.

Although office lights were out, stairwells were lit with emergency power, he said.

The city's Commodity Exchange Center, housing the Commodity Exchange Inc., Coffee, Cocoa and Sugar Exchange, the New York Cotton Exchange and New York Mercantile Exchange, were knocked out by the power failure.

The exchange center employs about 1,900 employees, including 950 traders.

Pace University also lost its power and was closed, officials said.

There were sporadic power outages immediately after the blaze hit, and officials shut off power to all of Manhattan south of Nassau Street, with the exception of the New York Stock Exchange at about 1:30 p.m.

The Brooklyn Bridge was not closed, but officials asked motorists and pedestrians to use other routes.

A spokesman for the New York Stock Exchange said the exchange was functioning normally.

''We're up and running and we have no plans at this time to halt trading '' the spokesman said.

But the American Stock Exchange was not functioning, apparently because a backup generator failed to come on line at 1:13 p.m.

The brokerage firm of Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc., housed in the 51-story World Financial Center, was ''maintaining skeleton operations'' after the power outage, said spokesman Steve Faigen.

''We have an auxiliary power system in place, but many of our computer screens are blacked out,'' Faigen said. ''We're continuing to trade as needed, but it's far more inconvenient.''

Dean Witter Reynolds at the World Trade Center was operating on emergency power, although the lights, elevators and Quotron machines were out, said Jim Flynn, communications director for the firm.

Flynn said he saw the fire from his office on the 70th floor. ''It's very, very smoky,'' he said.

Robert Previdi, a Transit Authority spokesman, said subway service on the West Side of Manhattan was virtually halted.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	391.25 up 6.25
Morning fixing	399.90 up 8.65
Afternoon fixing	404.30 up 13.05
Close	404.75 up 13.50
Paris	405.10 up 14.83
Zurich	404.00 up 11.25
Hong Kong	398.50 up 9.75
New York	
Comex unoffical close	405.20 up 8.30
Republic cash	404.50 up 8.00
Handy and Harman	404.30 up 14.95

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 405.64 up 14.98 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 425.92 up 15.73 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex unoffical close	5.145 up 0.176
Republic cash	5.16 up 0.175

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 5.14 per fine ounce up 0.22

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 5.15 up 0.195

and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.511 up 0.209

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 505.00 up 16.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 605.00 up 16.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 117.00 up 0.25 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 132.00 up 0.25.

Due to a power outage affecting lower Manhattan Monday, Comex gold and silver prices are unoffical closes. ---

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 13) UPI - Actor Marlon Brando has put up his $4-million mountaintop estate to secure the release of his son, Christian, charged with the murder of his half-sister's boyfriend, the defense lawyer in the case said Monday.

However, until the paperwork concerning Marlon Brando's 12-room home in the Santa Monica Mountains is processed and approved, Christian Brando will remain in custody in lieu of $2 million bail in the Men's Central Jail.

The defense attorney, Robert Shaprio, said he did not expect Christian to be freed until Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning.

Christian has been in custody for nearly three months since the May 16 fatal shooting of his half-sister's boyfriend, Dag Drollet, at the actor's home.

Christian was initially denied bail, but last month, following a preliminary hearing, had bail set at $10 million, the highest ever set in Los Angeles County.

His family said it was unable to meet the high bail, and last Thursday, Santa Monica Superior Court Judge David Perez, calling the $10 million bail excessive, slashed it to $2 million.

Under California law, when property is posted to meet bail, the property must be worth twice as much as the bail amount. Shapiro said the actor's home has been valued at $4 million.

Prosecutors allege that Christian Brando, 32, pre-meditated the slaying of Drollet, 26. They claim Christian Brando accused Drollet, the son of an influential political figure in Tahiti, of beating his half-sister.

Deputy District Attorney Steve Barshop said Drollet was shot in the head at point-blank range while watching television and that his body was found with a television remote control in one hand and a cigarette lighter in the other hand.

Christian Brando told police that he accidentally shot Drollet while he and the victim were wrestling for the weapon, a .45-caliber handgun.

''I shot him, man, but not on purpose,'' Los Angeles police quoted Brando as telling them after the incident. ''Please believe me. I wouldn't do it my father's house.''

However, prosecutors say that Cheyenne Brando in mid-June gave a statement to police in which she indicated that Christian had pre-meditated the slaying. Shortly after giving that statement, Cheyenne returned to Tahati, where she is a citizen, in an apparent move to avoid testifying against her half brother.

She has since given birth to Drollet's child.

Marlon Brando was home at the time of the shooting, but was in a different room. He telephoned police after hearing the gunshot. Shapiro said the actor has lived in the home for 30 years.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) UPI - Yields rose on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Monday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $9.24 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 7.41 percent, up from 7.23 percent last week and the highest since July 30, when the auction yielded 7.50 percent.

The government also sold $9.21 billion of 26-week bills Monday at an average discount of 7.31 percent, up from 7.19 percent last week and also the highest since July 30, when the rate stood at 7.37 percent.

The investment rate was 7.66 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,812.70 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26-week bill was 7.70 percent at an average of $9,630.40 per $10,000.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
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NYSE Stocks - Higher in light trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Lower in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in thin trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed broadly lower in sparce trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Higher.

Cattle Trade - $1 higher; top $77.00.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	67	19
Amsterdam pc	1pm	76	24
Ankara pc	3pm	81	27
Athens pc	2pm	89	32
Auckland r	12a	54	12
Beijing	8pm	-	-
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	84	29
Bonn r	1pm	82	28
Brussels c	1pm	80	27
Cairo c	2pm	89	31
Casablanca cy	12n	78	26
Copenhagen pc	1pm	72	22
Dakar pc	12n	83	29
Dublin pc	1pm	62	17
Geneva pc	1pm	81	27
Helsinki c	2pm	71	21

Hong Kong c	8pm	86	30
Jerusalem c	2pm	81	27
Karachi cy	5pm	84	29
Lisbon pc	1pm	77	25
London cy	1pm	74	23
Madrid pc	1pm	86	30
Malta pc	1pm	76	25
Manila cy	8pm	75	24
Moscow cy	3pm	68	20
Nairobi cy	3pm	68	20
Nassau cy	7am	81	27
New Delhi pc	6pm	84	29
Nice cy	1pm	78	26
Oslo pc	1pm	67	19
Paris pc	1pm	83	28
Pretoria pc	2pm	62	17
Riyadh	3pm	105	40
Rome c	1pm	82	28
Seoul pc	9pm	83	28
Sofia c	2pm	78	25
Stockholm pc	1pm	72	22
Sydney c	10p	53	12
Taipei cy	8pm	85	29
Tokyo c	9pm	85	29
Tunis c	1pm	87	30
Vienna c	1pm	89	32
Warsaw c	1pm	80	27

Latin America

Buenos Aires pc	9am	65	18
Caracas pc	8am	71	22
Havana pc	7am	75	24
Lima r	7am	58	14
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro pc	9am	68	20
Santiago cy	8am	49	10

Canada

Calgary c		83	28
Edmonton pc		85	29
Montreal r		78	25
Ottawa r		76	24
Regina c		82	27
Toronto r		78	25
Vancouver pc		89	31
Winnipeg pc		75	23

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cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90225u1679 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - The jury viewed dozens of graphic pictures Monday of the battered body of a woman jogger as the panel deliberated the fates of three youths accused of the Central Park attack.

The teenagers stood trial on 13 criminal counts, including rape and attempted murder, stemming from the rampage in the moonlit park on April 19, 1989.

The jury of l0 men and two women asked for the color photographs of the investment banker's injuries and the scene of her attack.

Jurors asked for any evidence found at the crime scene. They also requested a 12-inch ruler and a 24-inch piece of string, apparently to measure curved roads on a map of the park.

Antron McCray, 16, Yusef Salaam, 16, and Raymond Santana, 15, are accused of being part of a gang of up to 30 youths that roamed through the park, randomly attacking nine victims.

The jury's requests indicated it could have reached a verdict on the counts concerning attacks on two male joggers and now has turned its attention to the gang rape of the Wall Street banker.

As Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer stacked the 61 pictures, reporters caught another glimpse of the jogger's bashed-in face, so disfigured from four fractures that her eyes were swollen shut.

She was so badly beaten that a former roommate who rushed to Metropolitan Hospital after hearing news of the attack testified he could not recognize her. He was able to identify her only by a tiny gold ring she wore.

The photographs of the crime scene show a 350-foot trail of blood that began at the point on the 102nd Street Transverse where she was jumped by the gang and struck with a metal pipe.

It ended in the muddy gully in nearby woods where her unconscious body was

found nearly four hours after the attack.

In the meantime, Salaam's mother, Sharonne Salaam, pressed her attempt to get back into the courtroom when the verdict is announced.

Justice Thomas Galligan ordered her out of the courtroom and banned from the trial Aug. 6 after she jumped to her feet and screamed ''liar!'' at a prosecution witness.

Mrs. Salaam sought the help of civil rights lawyer William Kunstler, who said he would seek a court order to allow her inside when the verdict is read.

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#90225u1681 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - International pressure on Iraq mounted Monday when Saudi Arabia prevented an Iraqi tanker from loading oil at a Red Sea port and Syria announced it was sending ''symbolic'' soldiers to join forces with U.S. troops in the Saudi kingdom.

Embattled Iraq, faced with a U.N.-sanctioned economic blockade and the deployment of a burgeoning multinational military force, reacted by stepping up its verbal attacks on its Arab neighbors, apparently attempting to shame them into siding with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein against the United States in the spirit of Arab nationalism.

Iraq had offered a three-point settlement plan Sunday that demanded the withdrawal of U.S. troops from Saudi Arabia and of Israel from the occupied territories, but the initiative fell flat as the United States and Israel rejected it outright.

The crisis, triggered when Iraq invaded the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait Aug. 2 and annexed it a week later, has created a schism in the Moslem world, with Syria and Pakistan demonstrating solidarity with U.S.-led efforts to prevent further Iraqi aggression while Iraq supporters hold almost daily demonstrations in Jordan, Lebanon, Somalia, Yemen, Algeria and the Israeli-occupied territories.

A U.S. plan to enforce the U.N.-sanctioned embargo by blocking Iraqi ships similarly divided the Western world, with Britain backing the plan Monday and France distancing itself from the prospect of confronting Iraqi ships. Sources within the United Nations said few member states back the the Bush administration's avowed intention of using military ships to block Iraqi exports.

A U.S. defense official in Washington said the Iraqi oil tanker Al Qadisiya had been scheduled to pull into the Saudi port of Mujjiz on the

Red Sea to pick up 900,000 barrels of Iraqi crude, transported to the port through a pipeline that runs from Iraq and across Saudi Arabia.

The official said Saudi Arabia refused to send out tugboats and the Iraqi tanker, which could not dock, left the area.

Saudi Arabia has said it will abide by the embargo, ordered by the United Nations last week in an effort to pressure Iraq into withdrawing from Kuwait.

The closure of Saudi ports leaves Iraq with only two possible maritime outlets, the Jordanian port of Aqaba and Iraq's tiny sea outlet in the northern gulf.

Meanwhile, thousands of U.S. troops continued to arrive in Saudi Arabia to guard against a possible attack by Iraqi troops massing at the border. The State Department estimated Monday there were 140,000 Iraqi troops in Kuwait, while observers have estimated the United States is deploying 50,000 troops to Saudi Arabia.

An unidentified 27-year-old sergeant from Fort Bragg told a group of Pentagon pool reporters in Saudi Arabia, ''They are telling us to be ready to stay here for four or six months.''

Iraq stepped up its verbal attack against the United States and against Egypt for its role in leading Arab opposition to the invasion of Kuwait.

Iraqi radio broadcast special appeals to Egyptians, telling them Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak had betrayed his people and urging them to revolt against foreign influences.

Assistant Secretary of State John Kelly, in Cairo for meetings with Egyptian officials, came to Mubarak's defense.

''Egypt has been in the front of the international and Arab response to the situation and it is normal and vital for us to coordinate for this crisis,'' he said.

Boutros Ghali, Egypt's minister of state for foreign affairs, said he believed there was little chance for peace but said Arabs had to continue their effort to find a solution to the crisis.

The British Broadcasting Corp. reported that Iraq protested Monday the alleged violation of Iraqi airspace Saturday, saying the Iraqi News Agency reported that a Turkish aircraft flew five miles into Iraqi territory.

Britain Monday announced it would support a U.S. plan to enforce the economic sanctions by blocking Iraqi ships. Foreign Office Minister

William Waldegrave said Kuwait asked Britain to ''make sure that the economic weapon is effective'' and said British soldiers would board ships that try to break the economic embargo.

France, however, vowed its forces would not seize Iraqi cargo ships at sea, saying the move would constitute an act of war. France did announce it was beefing up its presence in the gulf region to help secure the area if Iraq attacked.

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#90225u1686 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

Business-Financial Editors:

Due to a power outage caused by a fire at a Consolidated Edison substation all closing tables from the Coffee, Sugar and Cocoa Exchange were unavailable.

UPI-New York

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#90225u1688 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

FRIDAY HARBOR, Wash. (AUG. 13) UPI - Author Ernest Gann and his wife, Dodie, have donated 760 acres of valley farm land to a trust to help ensure the beauty of the Puget Sound's San Juan islands.

''We hope that our neighbors and other landowners will understand why we have taken this action to help protect the valley and will seriously consider taking similar steps to help preserve the valley,'' said Gann, whose best-sellers include ''The High and the Mighty'' and ''Soldier of Fortune.''

The Friday Harbor property, known as Red Mill Farm, provides views of False Bay and the Strait of Juan de Fuca, produces various forage crops and supports more than 350 cattle, San Juan Preservation Trust officials said Monday.

Dodie Gann said she and her husband want to make sure the land will be ''unscathed'' and saved ''for generations to come.''

Under terms of the agreement, the Ganns will continue to own the property, while the trust has the right to conserve the land, said Bob Myhr, trust executive director.

A special covenant does allow the Ganns to sell 55 acres for up to 11 homes, Myhr said.

The Ganns in 1980 donated 38 acres of eagle habitat to the trust.

The trust now protects a total of 2,500 acres on eight islands in the San Juans.

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#90225u1691 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

Business-Financial Editors:

Due to a power outage caused by a fire at a Consolidated Edison substation all closing tables from the Commodity Exchange Inc., COMEX, were unavailable.

UPI-New York

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#90225u1707 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (AUG. 13) UPI - France dispatched a fresh naval contingent to the Persian Gulf Monday, but said the new force would not be part of a U.S. military plan to enforce U.N.-endorsed trade sanctions against Iraq.

The aircraft carrier Clemenceau, the missile launcher Colbert and the oil fuel ship Var along with 2,650 French troops and technicians left the port of Toulon Monday to bolster the French naval presence in the Persian Gulf region.

The contingent is expected to arrive in two weeks in the region, boosting the number of French troops to 3,200, the second largest Western force in the area after the United States.

A French Foreign Ministry official said while France would abide by the U.N. trade embargo against Iraq, the French forces would not seize Iraqi cargo ships at sea as suggested by the United States because such an action would constitute an act of war.

President Bush ordered U.S. forces Sunday to block all Iraqi imports and exports under economic sanctions approved by the United Nations after Iraq conquered neighboring Kuwait on Aug. 2.

The French official said the only action French ships would engage in would be to stop vessels for questioning about their nationality and cargo. The official did not say what action would be taken if the ship were Iraqi or had an irregular cargo.

Hours after the latest French contingent left Toulon, President Francois Mitterrand announced a ''diplomatic offensive'' that included sending special envoys to meet with leaders of 24 nations.

Mitterrand said the diplomatic effort was aimed at examining ''perspectives of strengthened cooperation,'' but gave no further details.

The French contingent in ''Operation Salamander'' comprises 2,650 soldiers and technicians. The carrier Clemenceau's forces include 40 helicopters - 30 Puma combat helicopters and 10 Gazelle transport units - and a crew of 984 men. Also on board were 900 members of the French army's Rapid Action Force. The carrier is equipped with anti-aircraft and anti-tank missiles, and includes medical and technical personnel.

Four Alize reconnaissance aircraft were to join the Clemenceau at sea.

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#90225u1714 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

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#90225u1719 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
De Tomaso Indus (2nd Q)	
$72,764,000	$106,853,000

d-$3,292,000 d-$19,000
d-Deficit.

Donnelly Corp (4th Q 6-30)
$62,320,000 $54,477,000
$2,019,000 (.35) $2,209,000 (.39)

First Amer Fncl (2nd Q)
$185,312,000 $170,223,000
$558,000 (.05) $1,955,000 (.20)

RPS Realty Trust (2nd Q)
....
$9,641,000 (.33) $5,593,000 (.19)

Thermadyne Holdings (2nd Q)
$120,100,000 $123,700,000
d-$7,100,000 d-$8,300,000
d-Deficit.

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#90225u1720 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Monday	1139.1
Friday	1122.0
Week ago	1139.1
Month ago	1150.9
Year ago	1116.0
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90225u1730 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	60 1-4	up	1 1-4
AT&T	35 1-8	up	1-8
BCE	32 1-4	off	3-8
BellAtl	46 1-8	up	3-8
BellSth	53 3-4	up	5-8
Exxon	52 3-8	up	3-4
FordMot	37 3-8	off	3-8
GenEl	67 1-2	up	7-8
GnMotor	39 3-8	off	1-8

GTE	26	3-4	up	1-8
IBM	103	7-8	up 1	7-8
Mobil	67		up 1	1-8
Nynex	75	3-4	up	7-8
PacGasE	22	3-8	up	3-8
PcTeles	41	3-4	up	3-4
PhilaEl	15	7-8	up	1-4
Sears	30	1-4	off	1-2
SouthCo	24	1-2	up	1-4
SwBell	51	1-2	up	1-2
USWest	36	3-4	up 2	

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#90225u1744 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 13) UPI - Monday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.70 1/4-2.80 1/4 off 5 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.02 1/4-6.03 1/4 off 5 3/4-6 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.43 1/4-2.50 1/4 off 5.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.59 1/4-2.60 1/4 up 4 to off 4 1/2.

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#90225u1761 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday were unavailable due to a power outage.

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#90225u1764 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, LEBANON (AUG. 13) UPI - The International Committee of the Red Cross announced the release late Monday of Elio Erriquez, the second Swiss hostage to be freed by Palestinian extremists in Lebanon in less than a week.

''Elio was handed over to Syrian military authorities in West Beirut this evening, and the Syrians were driving him immediately to Damascus (Syria) '' a Red Cross spokeswoman said at the agency's Geneva headquarters.

''We expect Elio to fly home to Geneva tomorrow (Tuesday),'' the spokeswoman said.

The release appeared to be a carbon copy of the freeing last Wednesday of Emanuel Christen, a Red Cross colleague of Erriquez, who was held for 10 months by a group calling itself the Organization of Revolutionary Palestinian Factions.

The neutral, all-Swiss ICRC, guardian of the Geneva War Conventions of 1949, said it still was unsure of the real identity of the two men's abductors.

The first word of Erriquez's release came from Syria, which was instrumental in securing his release from the Palestinian extremist splinter group, the spokeswoman said.

The same group Sunday said Erriquez had been released or was about to be freed, but by Monday afternoon ICRC headquarters in Geneva still had no confirmation of that.

''There was some ambiguity about the original Arab text and the translation,'' Red Cross spokesman Joerg Bischoff said.

''It was unclear whether Elio was already free or was about to be released '' Bischoff said. ''But the announcement was the same as was made when Emanuel was released, and we have open lines and radio links to our people in Beirut as well as Damascus.''

After his release in Beirut, Christen also was taken immediately to Damascus.

Erriquez, 24, and Christen, 33, both delegates of the neutral and all-Swiss ICRC, were abducted Oct. 6 last year in the southern port city of Sidon.

They were training local medical workers in the fitting of artificial limbs for victims of the continuing factional violence in Lebanon.

The motive for their abduction was never made clear, although ICRC and Swiss government officials said it was possibly linked to the imprisonment in Switzerland of Lebanese plane hijacker Mohamad Hariri.

Hariri received a life sentence in 1989 for the July 1987 hijacking to Geneva of an Air Afrique DC-10 airliner and the slaying of a French male passenger.

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#90225u1770 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Telerate advises the closing Money Rates were unavailable due to the power outage in New York City.

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#90225u1775 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2746.78	up	30.20	978.83	up	4.01	203.97	up	0.88
Friday	2716.58	off	42.33	974.82	off	23.36	203.09	off	1.39
Week ago	2716.34	off	93.31	980.29	off	58.76	204.92	off	4.78
Month ago	2999.75	up	19.55	1189.60	up	2.01	205.86	off	0.31
Year ago	2677.92	off	6.07	1413.94	up	0.71	216.23	off	1.33
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		

1990 Low	2543.24	964.78	200.20
1989 High	2791.41	1532.01	235.98
1989 Low	2144.64	959.95	181.84

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#90225u1777 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2746.78	up	30.20
20 Trans	978.83	up	4.01
15 Utils	203.97	up	0.88
65 Stocks	956.55	up	7.67

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#90225u1784 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	91,143,216	29 1/2	off 1 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	64,684,232	38 1/4	unch
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	52,126,528	39 7/8	up 1 1/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	44,959,608	65	up 1/2
Amgen	(AMGN)	43,869,984	47	off 40 1/2
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	38,143,248	75 3/4	up 1 1/2
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	21,927,076	35 3/4	up 7/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	19,584,722	50 1/4	up 1 1/2
Conner Perphrls	(CNNR)	18,736,270	25 1/8	up 1 1/2
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	16,904,062	56 1/8	up 3/4

Composite Index 178.86 up 0.18

NMS volume 68,179,904 shares.

Advances	674
Declines	874
Unchanged	1,279
Total	2,827

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(AUG. 13) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	185.63	up	1.48
ASE Market Value Index	338.14	off	1.18
Dow-Jones Industrial	2746.78	up	30.20

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#90225u1792 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:
Stocks - 122,820,000 shares
1990 to date - 24,844,653,392
Warrants - 799,800
1990 to date - 149,888,500

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#90225u1810 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 339.42, low 337.88, close 338.14, off 1.18.

The average share prices was unavailable due to a power outage in lower Manhattan.

Volume 9,490,000 shares, compared with 14,530,000 Friday.
What the AMEX Market Did
New Highs 13
New Lows 54
Advances 132
Declines 327
Unchanged 207
Total Issues 666

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#90225u1813 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Monday - $18,070,000
1990 to date - $7,122,147,000

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#90225u1814 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 13) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Monday - 7,950,000
1990 to date - 1,586,813,000

The market closed mixed.

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#90225u1820 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982

average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	395.82	244.57	134.32	25.72	335.52
Opening	392.93	243.72	133.72	25.44	333.13
11 a.m.	394.60	244.46	134.03	25.54	334.44
Noon	394.13	243.89	134.12	25.54	334.14
1 p.m.	396.09	244.47	134.61	25.65	335.73
2 p.m.	unavailable				
3 p.m.	unavailable				
Close	unavaliable				

Standard & Poor's Corp. reports that due to a power outage caused by a fire at a Consolidated Edison substation, all closing material was unavailable.

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#90225u1835 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 13) UPI - The United States was all but isolated at the United Nations Monday over whether the U.N. charter gives America the right to enforce an economic embargo by blocking Iraqi ships.

The Bush administration announced Sunday it would enforce the U.N.-sanctioned economic embargo against Iraq by preventing shipments of all goods except food to the country and halting exports of Iraqi oil, a move Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz called an ''aggressive act.''

U.S. officials said the United States had the right to physically enforce the embargo under Article 51 of the U.N. charter, which allows countries to defend themselves.

The Security Council met Monday to discuss the U.S. interpretation of the charter, and sources said afterwards that few members agreed with the Bush administration's contention that the document justifies the interdiction of naval traffic to and from Iraq.

''I believe the U.S. has gone too far in its interpretation,'' one veteran diplomat and U.N. officer said.

The U.N. Security Council passed a resolution last week mandating an economic embargo against Iraq and occupied Kuwait after Iraq invaded the oil-rich emirate Aug. 2 and annexed it a week later.

Resolution No. 661 says all U.N. member states shall prevent any vessels ''from taking part in the sale or supply of any commodities or products, including weapons or any other military equipment'' to Iraq and Kuwait.

It also bans the exports of products from the two countries.

The United Nations has been trying to avoid the word blockade and Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar told reporters Monday that ''from the U.N. point of view there is not yet a blockade.''

Perez de Cuellar also said the United Nations was not involved in the military buildup in the gulf.

''It is the result of agreements between Saudi Arabia and Kuwait and some governments,'' he said. ''It is not in the framework of a U.N. blockade.''

Other diplomats also shied away from a possible blockade of Iraq.

''As far as Canada in concerned there is no blockade,'' Canadian Ambassador Yves Fortier said.

U.S. Ambassador Alexander Watson said Monday the government was taking the action under Article 51 of the U.N. charter and because Kuwait had asked for help in implementing Resolution 661.

Article 51 states: ''Nothing in the present charter shall impair the inherent right of individual or collective self defense if an armed attack occurs against a member of the United Nations....''

Several diplomats, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said their interpretation of Article 51 differed from that of the Bush administration and said they felt the United States had gone beyond the spirit of Resolution 661.

Britain said Monday it supported the U.S. action while France disagreed with the move.

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#90225u1836 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	23.60-23.65	22.45-22.55

North Sea Brent	26.50-26.60	25.45-25.55
West Texas Intermed	27.00-27.05	26.25-26.30
Light Louisiana Sweet	27.55-27.70	26.80-26.90

New York Harbor spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	87.30-87.55	83.95-84.45
No. 2 Heating oil	73.55-73.90	70.95-71.20

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	83.90-84.15	80.70-80.95
No. 2 Heating oil	72.25-72.35	69.85-70.10

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2699.50	2752.23	2676.73	2746.78	up 30.20
20 Trans	971.53	988.69	964.78	978.83	up 4.01
15 Utils	202.28	204.79	201.08	203.97	up 0.88
65 Stock	944.03	960.87	936.84	956.55	up 7.67

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	17,107,600	19,509,300
Trans	2,280,200	3,240,400
Utils	2,227,700	4,468,800
65 Stock	21,615,500	27,218,500

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.54	off 0.25
10 Public Utils	91.80	off 0.25
10 Industrials	89.29	off 0.24

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) close was not available due to a power outage caused by a fire at a Consolidated Edison substation.

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#90225u1854 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Pep Boys	1,695,000	15	off 1/8
Global Marine	1,692,600	6 1/8	up 1/4
Boeing Co	1,616,400	52 5/8	off 3/8
IBM Corp	1,582,800	103 3/4	up 1 3/4
Eastman Kodak	1,465,900	43 1/2	up 2 1/2
Philip Morris	1,409,200	46 1/2	up 5/8
Houston Ind	1,380,400	33	up 1/8
DPL Inc	1,350,700	19 1/4	up 3/8
Genl Electric	1,346,100	67 1/2	up 7/8
Tandem Cmptr	1,309,400	17	off 1/4
Wal-Mart Strs	1,303,200	30 3/8	up 1/2
Texas Utils	1,290,000	35 3/4	off 3/8
Bristol MS	1,275,600	61 3/4	up 1/2
Citicorp	1,117,200	20	up 3/8
Genl Motors	1,095,000	39 1/2	unch

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#90225u1857 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Moderating Mideast tensions and a new focus on U.S. economic problems pressed the dollar lower in New York trading Monday before foreign exchange dealings were disrupted by a huge power outage.

Fears of a military conflict between Iraq and the United States bolstered the dollar in recent days, currency traders said, but the calming of tensions in the Persian Gulf region curtailed buying the dollar as a "safe haven."

"The quieter the Mideast becomes, the more people are going to focus on economic fundamentals," said Barclays Bank corporate trader Bob Hatcher. "And that does not bode well for the dollar."

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.5782 German marks, down more than a pfennig from 1.5885 marks Friday, and at 150.35 Japanese yen, down marginally from 150.40 yen late last week.

Hatcher said the Barclays trading room pursued limited dealings after an

electrical substation blaze in lower Manhattan cut off power to the New York financial district, blacking out many traders' computer screens.

Hatcher said his office managed to square positions with currency brokers over the telephone. But a trader at another downtown bank said that "basically, the market is shut down."

In midtown, trading at Chemical Bank was not interrupted, said Curtis Perkins, a trader. "We're affected insofar as a lot of the counterparties downtown are not around," he added. "So things are kind of quiet."

Currency vice president Robert White of First Interstate Bank said the market had been quiet anyway, with the dollar off after selling in Asia and Europe on expectations that a recession was due for the U.S. economy.

With the Mideast relatively calm, "the market starts to focus on other subjects at hand, and the subject at hand is the sad state of the U.S. economy," White said. But, he added, high U.S. bond yields and low asset prices should pull long-term funds into the dollar to give it a price floor.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3160 Swiss francs, off from 1.3365; 5.2940 French francs, down from 5.3265; and 1,156.50 lire, down from 1,164.25. The British pound strengthened to $1.8820 from $1.8735.

In Europe, the dollar moved sharply lower in quiet trading against most major currencies as dealers also focused on the U.S. economy. "The general perception is that the Federal Reserve is going to ease interest rates," said Barclays de Zoete Wedd analyst Mark Brett.

Markets shrugged off the U.S. troop buildup in Saudi Arabia, though in the past U.S. military activity usually put the dollar "through the roof," Brett said.

The dollar moved to a record low in Frankfurt, at 1.5730 German marks compared with 1.5979 late last week.

The U.S. unit also fell to a 2 1/2-year low in Zurich, finishing at 1.3140 Swiss francs against 1.3380 Friday and having declined by about 20 percent this year.

In London, the pound sterling rose over a cent against the U.S. unit to close at $1.8840 from last week's $1.8715.

In Paris, Brussels and Milan, the dollar fell to, respectively, 5.29 French francs vs. 5.3673, 32.88 Belgian francs vs. 32.90 and 1,156.65 lire vs. 1,171.15.

Earlier in Tokyo, Mideast considerations boosted the dollar slightly against the yen in moderate trading, to 150.65 yen vs. 149.75.

Dealers said many investors took precautionary long positions against future developments in the Gulf. But others were not enthusiastic about buying the dollar in the face of clear signs of a U.S. economic slowdown.

Gold prices climbed again. The precious metal gained more than $11 in Zurich to finish at $404 an ounce against $392.75 Friday and advanced $13.50 to end at $404.75 an ounce against $391.25.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold - unofficially, because the power outage closed trading early - at $404.50 an ounce, up from $396.50 Friday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $405.20 an ounce, a gain of $8.30 from $396.90.

Silver moved to its highest point in two months, closing in Zurich at $5.15 an ounce vs. $4.95 and in London at $5.16 an ounce vs. $4.95.

Republic closed cash silver at $5.16 an ounce, up from $4.985. Comex silver gained 17.5 cents to end at $5.145 an ounce against $4.969.

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#90225u1862 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) UPI - The Pentagon, under orders to shut down Iraq's trade with the world, was drawing up rules Monday for the U.S. warships sent to enforce the global embargo of Baghdad.

White House spokesman Douglas Davidson said that ''we'd use force, if necessary,'' to ensure that a blockade of Iraq would be effective.

However, orders have not yet been issued to Navy ships in the Persian Gulf or elsewhere to implement the plan to intercept vessels headed for Iraq or fully loaded oil tankers departing Iraq, Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said.

Pentagon planners and legal experts, he said, were trying to determine what the ''rules of engagement'' should be under President Bush's directive Sunday to mount the interdiction of Iraq.

Rules of engagement are regulations governing what military forces - from an infantryman carrying an M-16 rifle to a pilot flying an F-15 fighter - are permitted to do in different theaters of operation under differing circumstances.

For example, the Marines sent to Lebanon in 1983 were not permitted to fire unless fired upon first.

The administration has shied from using the word ''blockade'' to define its enforcement of the U.N. trade embargo on Iraq that was imposed after Iraq's cross-desert invasion of neighboring Kuwait Aug. 2. A blockade long has been regarded as an act that is cause for war.

''It's a great word, 'interdict,''' said Allan Gerson, a former counsel to the U.S. delegation at the United Nations who now is with the American Enterprise Institute, a conservative think tank. ''Everyone's afraid to use 'blockade.' But a rose by any other name is still a rose.''

The United States, at the request of the exiled government of Kuwait, took command of the interdiction effort that is to be conducted by ships of several Western nations. U.S. officials hope that the blockade will force Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw his forces from occupied Kuwait.

''The government of Kuwait has asked the government of the United States to participate and coordinate the multinational interdiction effort,'' State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said. ''We are now contacting other nations to work out the modalities.''

The legal basis for the blockade is Article 51 of the U.N. Charter, legal scholars said. It provides for self-defense, either by an individual U.N. member that is attacked or a collective self-defense if the beseiged country asks for assistance.

''Kuwait has asked for help under the power of collective self-defense,'' a legal source said. ''The blockade is fully justifiable and authorizes you to shoot.

''There was an armed aggression by Iraq against a friendly state, Kuwait. Kuwait is fighting a war with Iraq. The war is not over.''

Secretary of State James Baker, trained as a lawyer, publicly took the lead for the administration Sunday in defining the blockade as an ''interdiction.'' Tutwiler said Monday the State Department had ''no official definition of interdiction beyond that in the dictionary.''

Intentionally murky phrases in a crisis is nothing new for makers of U.S. foreign policy.

The United States defined as a ''quarantine'' the 1962 blockade of Cuba to prohibit offensive weapons from getting through to the island. The term, Gerson said, was ''dreamed up'' by then-State Department legal adviser Abe Chays and marked the first time it was used outside the medical field.

But the purpose then - as now - is to use military might to support policy.

''With the use of quarantine, we tried to make believe that it was not a use of force, but it was a use of force,'' said Gerson, an international law expert.

''If you're serious about having an interdiction, it means if they put their ships there and they don't obey you, you shoot,'' he said. ''The basic plan is shoot or be shot.''

Why bother with a blockade if most countries have agreed to obey the sanctions?

''Because you will always find people out there trying to make a fast buck '' said the source, speaking on condition of anonymity. ''People will pay extra when there is an embargo, particularly to arms merchants.''

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#90225u1865 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Salomon wt Jan	851,500	13 3/4	up 7/8
Continental Air	693,800	6 1/8	off 3/8
ENSCO	690,400	4 5/8	up 1/4
Echo Bay Mines	545,900	14 3/8	up 5/8
Corona Corp A	541,300	6 3/4	up 3/8
Paine W Gr wtB	523,500	5 1/8	up 1/4
Eksport wt	470,100	5 1/2	up 3/8
Denmark K wt	452,500	14 3/4	up 3/4
Wang Labs B	341,200	3 1/2	unch
Bankers Trs wt	289,700	35	up 1 1/2

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#90225u1880 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6700	off 75
Vivra Inc	20 1/2	off 10 1/2
CapCiti/ABC	510 1/2	up 7 1/2
CBS Inc	178 1/8	up 5
Matsushita El	118	off 4 1/2
Kyocera Ltd	104 1/4	off 3 1/2
Pioneer Elec	75 1/2	off 3
UAL Corp	110 1/8	up 2 5/8

Humana Inc	47	up	2 5/8
Kimberly Clark	77 1/2	up	2 1/2
Eastman Kodak	43 1/2	up	2 1/2

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(AUG. 13) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	259.90	263.50	258.60	262.30	261.25
Dec	263.50	266.40	262.10	265.50	264.45
Mar	....	....	....	269.20	268.15

Previous day volume: 77 contracts.

Open interest: 1,252 up 19

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	336.20	340.70	333.50	339.80	337.30
Dec	340.10	344.50	337.50	343.70	341.30
Mar	343.00	347.70	340.80	346.85	344.45
Jun	346.00	351.50	345.00	350.95	348.55

Today's estimated volume: 42,224 contracts.

Open interest: 128,462 up 1,587

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

Due to a power failure, the NYFE NYSE Composite Index closed will be unavailable today.

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	550.00	559.00	546.25	558.70	551.15
Sep	551.50	561.30	548.70	561.00	553.45

Estimated volume 2,368 contracts.

Open interest: 6,196 off 273

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#90225u1905 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 13) UPI - The de facto U.S. military blockade of Baghdad was showing results Monday and a White House spokesman said the United States would use force, if necesary, to halt trade flowing into and out of Iraq.

Some ships apparently headed for Iraq already have backed off from the Persian Gulf rather than risk confronting U.S. warships, the White House

said.

Press secertary Marlin Fitzwater, briefing reporters near President Bush's vacation home in Maine, refused to say whether the United States would shoot at a ship that refused to back off, saying, ''We won't discuss the orders, the operational authority given'' U.S. forces.

Later, however, following administration consultations, White House spokesman Douglas Davidson said, ''We'd use force, if necessary,'' to enforce the embargo imposed by the United Nations. Davidson refused to elaborate.

Bush ordered U.S. forces Sunday to block all Iraqi imports and exports under week-old economic sanctions approved by the United Nations after Iraq occupied neighboring Kuwait Aug. 2. The invasion prompted Bush to order American troops and planes to Saudi Arabia to protect the oil kingdom from a possible Iraqi attack.

Reporting Monday on the effects of that move, Fitzwater said no Iraqi ships have left their ports and, ''We've had reports in recent hours of two or three ships turning away.'' Those vessels made no contact with U.S. forces and turned away voluntarily, he said, offering no further details.

''We are very optimistic at this point that the embargo will hold and that it will be effective,'' Fitzwater said. ''The embargo is being maintained.''

Fitzwater said the embargo covers ''everything'' - particularly food going in and oil coming out - but in a brief statement later he noted that, in accordance with the U.N. resolution, ''supplies intended strictly for medical purposes'' would be permitted through.

''The purpose of the embargo and the sanctions is to put the pinch on them (Iraq),'' Fitzwater said, with the ultimate goal being to shut down ''the war machine.''

At the State Department, spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler explained the U.S. role in the effort by saying, ''The government of Kuwait has asked the government of the United States to participate in and coordinate the multinational interdiction effort. We are now contacting other nations to work out the modalities.''

At the Pentagon, spokesman Pete Williams said Defense Secretary Dick Cheney would leave Friday to visit U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia and confer with Saudi officials. Cheney, who might visit other countries in the region, planned to return to Washington next Tuesday.

Williams said no orders had been issued to U.S. warships to interdict

foreign vessels, but said Pentagon planners and legal experts were working on such plans and the ''rules of engagement'' that would be involved.

He declined to give numbers of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, but said he would probably be able to release some figures in a few days.

With some Arab forces joining Americans in Saudi Arabia, a defense official in Washington disputed a report there were already 50,000 U.S. troops on the gound Monday, but the buildup of U.S. manpower, aircraft and ships continued.

The fast sealift ship USNS Capella left from Savannah, Ga., carrying tanks armored personnel carriers and artillery of the 24th Infantry (Mechanized) Division from Fort Stewart, Ga., and the similarly loaded USNS Altair was to leave later Monday.

Also, the hospital ship USNS Comfort, with 1,000 hospital beds and facilities for treating victims of poison gas, was expected to leave Monday for the Persian Gulf region after loading additional medical equipment at Norfolk, Va.

The U.S. task force, which may number 50 ships deployed around the Arabian penninsula, includes three aircraft carriers, the battleship Wisconsin, several guided-missile cruisers, plus destroyers, frigates and support ships.

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#90225u1909 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

BALTIMORE (AUG. 13) UPI - Doctors Monday gave a Virginia boy umbilical cord blood collected at the birth of his 2-month-old sister in an effort to cure him of a rare and deadly form of leukemia.

Johns Hopkins doctors said they believe it was the first time the procedure, known as cord-blood transplant, has been performed to treat leukemia and is the first of its kind at the hospital.

Cord-blood transplants have been performed successfully twice in France and once in the United States to treat a blood disorder known as Fanconi's anemia.

Dr. John Wagner first gave Michael Sancilio, 4, of Virginia Beach, Va., eight days of high-dose therapy that destroyed his cancerous bone marrow, then 90 milliliters of cord blood that had been taken from the umbilical cord and placenta at the May 1 birth of his sister, Christina.

The blood is rich in stem cells - the young cells that multiply and make up bone marrow - and expected to automatically travel into Michael's bones.

Hospital officials said following the three-hour procedure that there had been no complications, and Michael was in good condition.

Doctors said the cells should begin forming new cancer-free bone marrow in about 30 days.

The procedure is similar to bone marrow transplantation, in which healthy bone marrow from a donor is given to replace a patient's diseased marrow.

But in this case, Hopkins oncologists felt that taking bone marrow from Christina was too risky, and said the cord-blood transplant spared her the risks of anesthesia needed for the procedure.

After he was diagnosed in April, Michael's parents and an older sibling underwent blood testing but were found incompatible as bone marrow donors.

Because of the possibility that Christina would be a match, 90 milliliters of cord blood was collected at her birth at Virginia Beach General Hospital. Tests revealed an identical match and the blood was sent to the University of Indiana for storage.

Michael has juvenile chronic myelogenous leukemia, a disease that progresses rapidly, is resistant to drug therapy and usually fatal within one year of diagnosis, doctors said. Bone marrow transplantation has been the only treatment to increase survival.

Wagner, an assistant professor of oncology and pediatrics, said the cord-blood transplant should provide the same results.

For the patient, a cord-blood transplant carries the same risk as a bone marrow transplant, including infections and a condition called graft-versus-host disease, in which the donated bone marrow cells recognize their new ''host'' as foreign and attack tissues and organs.

Doctors said Michael will be treated with antibiotics and cyclosporin to combat the complications.

Michael will remain hospitalized for at least 30 days after the transplant and continue to be seen as an outpatient for about 70 days, doctors said.

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#90225u1910 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

OTTAWA (AUG. 13) UPI - Parliament appeared on the verge of getting its first Quebec separatist member Monday in an election in the Montreal district of Laurier-Ste. Marie, home to a mixture of hard-core Quebec nationalists, ethnics, and unemployed.

The off-year election is a test of the fledgling Bloc Quebecois, a tiny political party espousing a sovereign Quebec formed last month by former Conservative Cabinet minister Lucien Bouchard.

Bouchard left the government when government talks collapsed in June over a proposed constitutional amendment to give Quebec special powers to promote and preserve its French language and culture.

Six other members of Parliament - five Conservatives and a Liberal - joined Bouchard in the new party. Aside from their stand on Quebec independence, however, the members agree on few issues.

Bloc Quebecois candidate Gilles Duceppe, 43, is expected to sweep to victory when polls close at 8:00 p.m. EST. Duceppe, a labor negotiator and son of a well-known Quebec actor, has been endorsed by the province's largest trade unions and many of Montreal's city councillors.

The Laurier-Ste. Marie district, a Liberal stronghold for 73 years, was represented by populist politician Jean Claude Malepart, who died last December.

Political observers said losing the election would be a serious blow to the Liberals nationwide and to attempts by the party's new leader, Quebec-born Jean Chretien, to rebuild the party in Quebec.

But Quebec's Liberals, who govern the province, and the opposition separatist Parti Quebecois have thrown their support behind Duceppe because of his pro-independence stance.

The Quebec polling firm Barometre said the election is a test of separatist feelings in Quebec. "It's essentially a referendum on sovereignty," said Barometre president Rene Pelletier.

Conservative Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, who signed Duceppe's nomination papers, said it was to be expected that some separatists would find their way into Parliament since 60 percent of Quebecers favor independence.

But Mulroney also said anyone who supports Quebec's sovereignty "defends a position that is incompatible with their duty as a Conservative member of Parliament." In the 1988 national election, the Conservatives captured 62 seats compared with just 12 for the Liberals and one for the left-wing New Democratic Party.

Liberal candidate Denis Coderre, 27, appealed to the district's ethnic groups, mainly Chinese and Portuguese as well as the large faction of gay voters who are concerned about wider access to experimental drugs to fight AIDS.

In a second election being held in the Ontario district of Oshawa, near Toronto, the New Democrats are expected to win the seat held by former party leader Ed Broadbent for 22 years. Broadbent left politics last year, but the party will have little difficulty retaining the largely blue-collar riding.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.95	8.05	9.04
91-day Treasury bills	9.41	7.63	8.06
182-day Treasury bills	7.32	7.68	7.77
1-year Treasury bills	7.14	7.67	7.77
3-year Treasury notes	8.07	8.12	8.27
7-year Treasury notes	8.55	8.55	8.27
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.80	8.78	8.23
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.25	9.25	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.85	9.88	9.26
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.10	9.10	9.31
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.38	9.39	9.20
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.44	9.44	9.44
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.42	9.42	9.42

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90225u1928 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	87,638,300
Advances	799
Declines	1,143
Unchanged	2,337
Total	4,279

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#90225u1941 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Due to a power outage at the CEC the NY cotton close will not be available today.

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#90225u1948 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	408.58	404.07	408.30	up 0.27
Industrial	438.90	433.07	438.63	up 0.39
Finance	398.91	396.73	398.32	off 0.82
Insurance	472.91	469.58	470.97	off 2.02
Utility	557.92	547.89	557.16	up 2.85
Bank	299.55	297.13	298.90	off 0.29
Transport	450.25	441.69	447.52	up 1.74

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 468.86

1990 Low (1-30) 410.72

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	178.86	up 0.18
Industrial Index	173.35	up 0.23
NASDAQ-100 Index	414.84	up 2.38

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share	9.23 unchanged.
Volume	68,179,904 shares
Advances	674
Declines	874
Unchanged	1,279
Total	2,827

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#90225u1952 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	11	8	33
New lows	167	123	370

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	717	55,896,400
Declines	764	34,460,000
Unchanged	471	32,463,600
Total	1,952	122,820,000

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#90225u1955 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 13) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 13
New lows 54

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	132	5,531,900
Declines	327	2,881,800
Unchanged	207	1,076,300
Total	666	9,490,000

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#90225u1961 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 13) UPI - The government of Quebec says it will investigate rioting overnight by rock-throwing white protesters. The disturbance followed the signing of an agreement to resume talks between Mohawk Indians and Canadian authorities.

India denies a report from Pakistan that Indian troops fired heavy artillery and mortar shells across the border into the disputed region of Kashmir. There's NO word if the alleged attack caused any civilian casualties.

Rebel radio in Sudan says more than 80 government troops died during five days of fighting for control of roads leading to the regional capital of Juba. The African rebel group S-P-L-A has fought for control of southern Sudan since 1983.

Accused murderer Christian Brando could be free on bail as early as tomorrow. Lawyers say actor Marlon Brando is putting up his four-Million-dollar Santa Monica estate to secure the release of his son from jail.

It could be dubbed a ''teen sting.'' Police in Dallas and Forth Worth, Texas, say they used a group of teen-agers working undercover to catch store owners who illegally sold them spray paint or albums that had been declared obscene.

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#90225u1963 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
BOSTON (AUG. 13) UPI - Bank of New England Corp. this week faces the first of a series of expected cash squeezes that could determine whether

the troubled financial institution will survive.

The company has $706 million in debt on which more than $28 million in interest payments are due over the next seven weeks. The first outlay due Wednesday.

It lost more than $1.1 billion last year in New England's collapsing real estate market and was caught earlier this year in a severe cash crunch.

If it doesn't pay, the bank probably would have to make some kind of a deal with the bondholders or face bankruptcy soon after defaulting on its loans.

Spokesman Thomas Lavelle said, ''It is our intention to keep current on all of our obligations.''

But lenders are skeptical. ''It's easy to say they're planning on paying '' replied a lawyer who said he represents investors who hold bonds with a face value of more than $10 million. ''You know, I'm planning on living to 120.''

The lawyer, who declined to be identified, said bondholders are hoping for a deal that would them hope for future return.

Indeed, he said a deal currently is ''on the table'' and the subject of negotiations. Lavelle and Herbert Wass, a spokesman for the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, which oversees the bank holding company, declined comment on any talks.

As some of the bondholders see it, there are two immediate risks for them: The first is that Bank of New England may not have enough cash to make the payments. The second is that even if the company does have the money, federal regulators may not allow the payouts.

The first risk does not appear great at the moment. Bank of New England has raised large sums of cash by selling off big pieces of its assets and shrinking the company down to about $23 billion in assets from more than $31 billion last year.

But whether regulators will permit the payments is a trickier issue. The federal government is at risk if the bank fails because the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. insures depositors up to $100,000 each. So, the Fed and the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency may be reluctant to allow money for the interest payments to leave the bank, particularly since any such payment would worsen the company's cash position and thus hurt its chances for survival.

That would almost certainly mean the bank would have to buy the

bondholders off with some kind of deal.

But what would it take?

Any deal would almost certainly require a swap of bonds for stock in the company. The assumption would be that if bondholders were to forgo interest payments to help the bank survive, they could profit later if Bank of New England returned to a solid footing and its stock rose.

But another representative of bondholders, who also did not want to be identified, said he is pushing for a buyout of the bonds at about 35 percent of face value. The bonds recently have been trading at between 18 to 25 cents on the dollar so anyone who bought in at the low would make a killing under thos terms.

This deal, the broker said, would raise the banking company's capital position by allowing it to retire debt at a discount. But it would also require the outlay of cash, even more cash than the upcoming semi-annual bond payments would need.

''I think the critical issue is of regulatory approval and letting some cash go out,'' the broker dealer said. ''If you try to make people exchange (their bonds) for stock, that won't do it. What would the stock be worth?''

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#90225u1964 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	185.63	182.88	185.63	up 1.48
Industrial	231.92	228.07	231.92	up 2.23
Transport	131.62	130.48	150.96	up 0.14
Utility	87.60	86.58	87.60	up 0.61
Finance	131.62	130.48	131.62	off 0.09

Equivalent to a gain of 26 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 122,820,000 shares.

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#90225u1970 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) UPI - Two top Energy Department posts have been filled, with a Texas economics professor taking over the Energy Information Administration and an Indiana health sciences professor being

sworn in as assistant secretary for environment, safety and health, officials said Monday.

Energy Department officials said Calvin Kent of Waco, Texas, a Baylor University professor, was the new head of the Energy Information Administration, which collects data on U.S. energy production, consumption and prices.

Kent, nominated by President Bush in May and confirmed by the Senate August 4, specialized at Baylor in energy economics and has conducted training programs for top-level managers at over 100 utilities.

The department said Paul Ziemer of West Lafayette, Ind., head of Purdue University's School of Health Sciences since 1983, had assumed his duties as assistant energy secretary for environment, safety and health.

In that post, Ziemer will be responsible for overseeing all radiation safety, environmental protection and worker health programs at Energy Department facilities.

Ziemer's post is considered highly sensitive due to intense controversy over widespread radioactive and toxic contamination at the department's 16 major nuclear weapons production plants in 12 states.

Ziemer has spent more than 30 years at Purdue as a professor of health physics, bionucleonics, radiological control and associated health issues.

Previously, Ziemer served for three years in the late 1950's as a health physicist at the Energy Department's Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Tennessee and the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory in Washington.

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#90225u1980 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Prices closed mixed in very light trading on the New York Stock Exchange Monday as wary investors kept a "wait-and-see" attitude toward developments in the oil-rich Middle East.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which plunged 42.33 points Friday, rose 30.20 to 2746.78.

But declines slightly outpaced advances, 756-722. A total of 1,952 issues traded. Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 1.48 to 185.63. The price of an average share rose 26 cents.

But Standard & Poor's 500-stock index was unavailable due to a power outage that also halted trading on the American Stock Exchange.

Volume amounted to just 122,820,000 shares, down from the sparse 145,341,890 traded Friday and the lowest number since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

"People are taking a wait-and-see attitude to see what happens in the Middle East," said Brad Weekes, senior vice president of sales and trading at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities.

Market watchers said NYSE trading was unaffected by the power outage, triggered by a fire at a Con Edison substation. The outage knocked out power to most of lower Manhattan, including the World Trade Center and the Commodity Exchange Center that houses the Commodity Exchange Inc., the Coffee, Cocoa and Sugar Exchange, the New York Cotton Exchange and the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The volatile situation in the Middle East sent stock prices lower at the opening bell, but a strong rally in gold and some light bargain-hunting lifted prices from these lows, analysts said.

Late afternoon trading got a boost from a round of futures-related program buying, whose impact was strongly felt in such light volume, analysts said.

Despite the late rebound, Weekes said the market remains on a downward trend, a technical correction since the Dow toyed with the landmark 3,000 mark in mid-July.

"This whole correction was not caused by Iraq but by second-quarter earnings and higher interest rates," said Weekes, who predicted the Dow industrials would find their next support level at the 2500 mark. "The trend is still down."

On the trading floor, Pep Boys was the most active, off 1/8 to 15. Global Marine followed, up 1/4 to 6 1/8. Boeing was third, off 3/8 to 52 5/8.

Among oil stocks, Atlantic Richfield was up 2 1/4 to 137 1/4, Ashland Oil was up 1/4 to 32 3/8, Chevron was up 1/8 to 78 1/8, Exxon was up 3/4 to 52 3/8, and Mobil was up 1 1/4 to 67 1/8.

In the oil-sensitive airline sector, Delta Air Lines gained 1/4 to 59 3/8, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines eased 3/8 to 15 1/8 and Midway Airlines, spurred by reports of takeover rumors, climbed two to 9 5/8.

Among the blue chips, AT&T rose 1/8 to 35 1/8, IBM rose two to 103 7/8, General Electric was up 1/8 to 39 1/2, American Express lost 1/8 to 27 3/8, and General Motors was up 1/8 to 39 1/2.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 151,187,100 shares,

down from 179,426,750 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices were lower on the American Stock Exchange, where trading was halted at about 1 p.m. As of 1 p.m., the Amex Market Value index was off 1.18 at 338.14. Declines led advances 322-137 among the 667 issues traded. The price of an average share was unavailable due to the power outage. Composite volume totaled 11,774,900 shares, vs. 16,938,125 shares traded Friday.

Salomon's Nikkei put warrants expiring January 1993 led the Amex actives, climbing 7/8 to 13 3/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index closed up 0.27 to 408.30.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.82	10.53
Anchor Fund Inv	15.53	16.48
Delaware Mutual	17.38	18.64
Fidelity Fund	17.27	17.27
Investors Mutual	11.24	11.83
Investors Stocks	18.76	19.74
Invest Select	8.30	8.74
IDS Equity Plus	9.35	9.84
Mass Inv Growth	9.01	9.71
Nicholas Fund	3.36	3.36
United Accumulated	6.60	7.21
United Income	17.93	19.60
Vanguard Wellington	16.69	16.69

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by Ameri- can Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions pro- vide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		currency per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
A	.000174	.000174	5740.00	5740.00
Ast	.8027	.7979	1.2458	1.2533
Ast	.0903	.0890	11.07	11.24

Blg	.0308	.0306	32.42	32.71
Blg	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brz	.0140	.0141	71.22	71.12
Br	1.8815	1.8720	.5315	.5342
Br	1.8698	1.8586	.5348	.5380
Br	1.8495	1.8611	.5407	.5373
Br	1.8204	1.8403	.5493	.5434
Cn	.8724	.8718	1.1463	1.1470
Cn	.8684	.8678	1.1515	1.1523
Cn	.8615	.8610	1.1607	1.1615
Cn	.8534	.8524	1.1718	1.1732
C	.003448	.003450	290.01	289.89
Ch	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127
C	.001971	.001973	507.32	506.78
Dn	.1666	.1642	6.0040	6.0900
E	.001119	.001119	893.97	893.97
Eg	.3742	.3728	2.6727	2.6825
Fnl	.2692	.2671	3.7150	3.7435
Frn	.1887	.1879	5.2985	5.3215
Frn	.1885	.1876	5.3063	5.3291
Frn	.1878	.1870	5.3256	5.3480
Frn	.1868	.1859	5.3570	5.3790
G	.006474	.006395	154.47	156.37
Hll	.5623	.5594	1.7785	1.7876
Hn	.1287	.1287	7.7725	7.7725
Ind	.0579	.0578	17.27	17.31
I	.000543	.000543	1842.00	1843.00
Irn	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Ir	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Irl	1.7025	1.6882	0.5874	0.5923
Isrl	.5025	.5025	1.9900	1.9900
It	.000865	.000860	1156.00	1162.75
J	.006660	.006656	150.15	150.25
J	.006663	.006659	150.08	150.18
J	.006663	.006659	150.09	150.17
J	.006661	.006660	150.13	150.16
Jr	1.6524	1.5328	.6514	.6524
K	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
L	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
	.000349	.000349	2864.00	2864.00
N.Z	.6095	.6015	1.6407	1.6625
Nr	.1637	.1627	6.1100	6.1450
Pks	.0465	.0465	21.52	21.50
P	.000041	.000003	246,250	315,200
P'p	.0441	.0441	22.66	22.66
P	.007217	.007134	138.56	140.17
Sd r	.2675	.2668	3.7380	3.7480

Sng	.5563	.5546	1.7975	1.8030	
S.A	.3885	.3865	2.5740	2.5874	
S	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57	
S	.010103	.010228	96.77	97.77	
Sw	.1726	.1711	5.7940	5.8430	
Swt	.7590	.7474	1.3175	1.3380	
Swt	.7584	.7469	1.3186	1.3389	
Sw	.7568	.7453	1.3213	1.3418	
Swt	.7545	.7429	1.3254	1.3460	
Tw	.0370	.0370	26.95	26.97	
T	.000376	.000378	2659.00	2653.00	
UA	.2725	.2725	3.6699	3.6699	
U	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00	
Vnz	.0206	.0206	48.54	48.46	
W.	.6334	.6303	1.5787	1.5865	
W.	.6333	.6302	1.5790	1.5868	
W.	.6326	.6296	1.5808	1.5884	
W.	.6310	.6279	1.5849	1.5926	
Yg	.0925	.0911	10.81	10.98	---

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z- Floating; x-N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90225u2088 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 13) UPI - Paris says an additional 26-hundred-50 French troops are headed to the Persian Gulf. But French officials say the naval contingent will NOT seize Iraqi cargo ships. The Bush administration has O-K'd the use of force by U-S vessels in the region to stop Iraqi commerce. But the French said that such an action would constitute an act of war.

U-N sources say few member states support the White House plan to use force to block Iraqi exports. Britain backs the idea of a de facto embargo while many other allies remained mute. Other aspects of the U-S-led attempt to isolate Iraq are proceeding more smoothly. Syria and Pakistan today joined the list of nations providing troops for a multi-national force to stem further Iraqi aggression. Yesterday, Egypt and Morocco also pledged defensive troops.

Rush hour in lower Manhattan is a mess today as the nation's largest city struggles to cope with the effects of a power outage. An unexplained fire in an electrical sub-station knocked out service to the financial district and trapped hundreds of people in high-rise elevators. More than 150 firefighters tried to put out the fire using a chemical foam. 17 firefighters and one civilian were overcome by the fire's thick smoke. The

streets more resemble a pedestrian mall as traffic lights stand useless and thousands of commuters find the subway out of commission. Thousands were walking across the Brooklyn Bridge in near 90-degree heat to reach stations with trains that worked.

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#90225u2089 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) UPI - Carolco Pictures Inc. is negotiating to buy back a large block of its common stock from Mario Kassar, the company's chairman, documents released Monday at the Securities and Exchange Commission showed.

Kassar directly and indirectly owns 18.5 million shares of Carolco common stock, which represents 61 percent of Carolco's 30.2 million common shares outstanding. The shares are in the name of a Netherlands company called Beheeren Beleggingsmaatschaapij Petina B.V.

Carolco said in the SEC filing that, if a deal could be made, it planned to make the purchase with the proceeds of recent securities sales to Canal+ Productions, S.N.C. and Pioneer LDCA Inc.

Canal+, a French corporation whose parent company owns and operates pay-television channels throughout Western Europe, spent $30 million June 15 for 30,000 shares of Carolco Series B Convertible prefered stock and an unregistered warrant to buy 150,000 shares of Carolco common stock.

The following month, Pioneer, which distributes films on laser discs in the United States, paid $60 million for 60,000 shares of Carolco Series C convertible exchangeable preferred stock and an unregistered warrant to purchase 300,000 shares of common stock for $18.50 a share.

Carolco said in the filing it would use 50 percent of the $90 million gained through the two sales to buy the Kassar holdings. With Carolco common now selling for about $10 a share on the open market, the company would get 4.5 million shares with the $45 million.

But since the stock would be purchased through a private agreement, it is possible that Kassar would get a premium for his shares.

Carolco officers declined comment on that possibility, and also declined comment on the negotiations with Kassar.

The SEC filing also gave little indication on the progress of the negotiations, other than to say ''No agreement with respect to the purchase of any shares of the company's common stock from, or securities of, (Beheeren), has been made...''

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#90225u2099 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 13) UPI - Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry renounced his Democratic Party affiliation today and filed as an independent. The former civil rights leader was convicted on Friday of possessing cocaine. Barry says he still has contributions to make but would NOT say what office he might seek in November. Barry could run for a fourth term as mayor, or seek a job on the city council. A Republican council candidate called Barry's switch ''a bad move,'' saying the mayor is ''looking for a welfare check ... for his retirement.''

The International Committee of the Red Cross has confirmed the release of a Swiss Red Cross worker. A spokeswoman at the Red Cross headquarters in Geneva says a Palestinian group in Lebanon today freed Elio Erriquez. Erriquez is the second Swiss hostage released in less than one week. The spokeswoman says Syrian officials figured prominently in the release of Erriquez... 10 months after he was taken hostage.

More than two-thousand active-duty Army soldiers are en route to parts of Oregon and California, where wildfires are raging out of control. Their duty is to help relieve some of the 20-thousand firefighters on the lines since the blazes began last Monday. Fires also are burning in Idaho, Washington and Utah.

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#90225u2116 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 472.82, up 0.42 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90225u2122 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 13) UPI - Troops joining battle against Western wildfires Army troops, newly trained in the basics of firefighting, were en route to California and Oregon Monday to relieve some of the thousands of crews battling wildfires that have ravaged more than 400,000 acres across seven Western states.

Twenty-eight major fires were still burning Monday across 330,000 acres in five states - California, Oregon, Idaho, Washington and Utah. Fires in Montana and Nevada had been controlled.

Although progress had been made, weather forecasts were mixed.

''The good news is, there is a chance of significant precipation'' in Southern California, Nevada and Utah, said Arnold Hartigan, spokesman for the National Fire Information Center in Boise, Idaho.

''The bad news,'' he added, ''is that the same conditions will create conditions for dry thunderstorms and 15 to 20 knot winds in northern California, Oregon and Washington - where the worst fires are still burning.''

By Tuesday, about 20,000 firefighters on the lines since the blazes began raging Aug. 6 were expected to see some relief as more than 2,000 active-duty soldiers join the effort to douse fires in Oregon and California.

The fires hit hardest in California, where some 12,000 firefighters battled about 1,300 fires that had charred more than 200,000 acres. Most of the fires were sparked by more than 30,000 lightning strikes reported in the last week.

Gov. George Deukmejian estimated Monday that the state could spend more than $40 million suppressing the fires, which damaged or destroyed 127 buildings statewide.

Three major fires that forced the closing of Yosemite National Park at the height of the summer tourist season consumed more than 18,000 acres and moved perilously close to a grove of ancient redwoods. Deukmejian on Monday signed a declaration of emergency for the area, paving the way for homeowers to obtain low-interest loans to repair damage.

Still, firefighters were gaining the upper hand on the Yosemite fires.

One of three major lightning-caused blazes in the park, the 4,000-acre A Rock fire, was nearly 40 percent contained after jumping Yosemite's boundaries Sunday and spreading into the Stanislaus National Forest.

The 13,243-acre Steamboat fire in Yosemite was 50 percent contained with full containment expected Thursday evening. A third blaze, the 550-acre Tuolumne Grove fire, forced evacuation of 12 summer homes Sunday.

Weather forecasts Monday warned that the area could be hit by afternoon lightning strikes that could spark more fires in the picturesque, drought-stricken mountains that surround the park.

Park officials said Yosemite, which was closed Thursday, would remain shut to visitors at least through Wednesday. The fires there have not touched famed Yosemite Valley, but have covered the breathtaking rock formations that tower above it with a smoky haze.

The absence of thousands of tourists who normally flood the park each day in the summer has left merchants hurting. The park's main concessionaire, the Yosemite Park & Curry Co., stands to lose ''a few hundred thousand dollars'' each day during what is usually the busiest week of the year, a company official said.

Fourteen major fires elsewhere in California had burned more than 200,000 acres of timberland. All were still burning Monday, though no new major outbreaks were reported.

Firefighters had dug lines around about 70 percent of the largest of the blazes in Tehama, which had burned 114,000 acres and destroyed 26 structures in the lower elevations of the Sierra. Another fire, about 4 miles to the north, was 50 percent contained after burning 18,000 acres and forcing the closure of Highway 36, an important east-west link in the region's mountain country.

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#90225u2134 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

HOLLYWOOD (AUG. 13) UPI - ''Flatliners,'' a tale of the supernatural drubbed by the critics, came to life at the box office, exorcising ''Ghost'' from the No. 1 spot by taking in $10 million over the weekend on 1,319 screens.

The much-anticipated ''The Two Jakes,'' a sequel to the 1974 hit ''Chinatown,'' failed to lure large audiences despite the presence of Jack Nicholson and some good reviews. The Paramount Pictures release drew a disappointing $3.7 million in its opening weekend at 1,206 theaters, only good enough for seventh place.

''Flatliners,'' which stars Julia Roberts, Kiefer Sutherland and Kevin Bacon as medical students experimenting with life after death, posted a lively $7,608 per-screen average.

''Ghost,'' a love story-thriller starring Patrick Swayze and Demi Moore, was knocked down to the No. 2 spot but still managed a more-than-ethereal $9.5 million in ticket sales over the weekend. The film finished in first place in its second and fourth weekends and has clearly become the summer's surprise hit, scaring up a gross of $85.5 million after five weeks for Paramount.

''Air America,'' a black comedy about CIA pilots in Laos during the Vietnam War, came in at third place with an opening weekend of $8.1 million at 1,902 theaters. The film, starring Mel Gibson and Robert Downey landed a high-flying $4,240 per-screen average.

The courtroom drama ''Presumed Innocent'' placed fourth in its third weekend, taking in $7.9 million at 1,451 screens. The movie, starring Harrison Ford as a prosecutor charged with murdering his estranged lover, has brought in a persuasive $42 million in 17 days of release.

''Problem Child'' continued to behave nicely for Universal in its third weekend, taking in $4.8 million at 1,769 screens, as it moved from fourth to fifth place. Despite some blistering reviews, the comedy about a hellish child has been a hot performer, luring $31.2 million in 17 days.

Fox's ''Young Guns II,'' a Wild West brat-pack sequel, shot from third to sixth place with a weekend gross of $4.7 million in 1,770 theaters to give it a solid $21.3 million in 12 days of release.

Disney's spider-comedy ''Arachnophobia'' spun down from fifth to eighth place in its fourth weekend, with $3.5 million on 1,823 screens. The film has put the bite on moviegoers for $41 million of tickets during 26 days of release.

Fox's ''Die Hard 2'' kept blasting away at the box office with a $3.1 million weekend at 1,691 screens, good enough for ninth place. With those ticket sales, the sequel joined ''Total Recall'' and ''Dick Tracy'' as the summer blockbuster films that have crossed the $100 million benchmark, taking in $101.2 million in six weeks of release.

Disney's animated feature, ''DuckTales,'' waddled from eighth to 10th place with a second weekend of $2.7 million at 1,558 screens for a 10-day total of $9.3 million.

Spike Lee's jazz film ''Mo' Better Blues'' kept up a swinging pace with a $2.4 million take in its second weekend at just 572 screens, for a noteworthy $4,265 per-screen average and a 10-day gross of $8.6 million.

The year's top performer, Disney's ''Pretty Woman,'' added $1.6 million during the week at 729 screens. After 21 weeks of release, the film's gross has reached $165.7 million.

The top 10, last weekend's gross, total gross, weeks in release:

1. ''Flatliners,'' $10 million, 1 week.
2. ''Ghost,'' $9.5 million, $85.5 million, 5 weeks.
3. ''Air America,'' $8.1 million, 1 week.
4. ''Presumed Innocent,'' $7.9 million, $42 million, 3 weeks.
5. ''Problem Child,'' $4.8 million, $31.2 million, 3 weeks.
6. ''Young Guns II,'' $4.7 million, $21.3 million, 2 weeks.
7. ''The Two Jakes,'' $3.7 million, 1 week.
8. ''Arachnophobia,'' $3.5 million, $41 million, 4 weeks.
9. ''Die Hard 2,'' $3.1 million, $101.2 million, 6 weeks.

10. ''DuckTales,'' $2.7 million, $9.3 million, 2 weeks.

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#90225u2138 08/13/1990 ~United Press International
LIMA, Peru (AUG. 13) UPI - Suspected left-wing guerrillas of the Shining Path rebel organization Monday ''executed'' three government officials in a small town and also killed a peasant and a student, police sources said.

The student, 17-year-old Calin Neme Jaramillo, was riddled with bullets and left dead in the soccer stadium of Ayacucho, the Andean city that is the center of the Shining Path insurrection, police said.

In Lima, police used tear gas and water cannons Monday to disperse hundreds of anti-government student demonstrators protesting an economic austerity program.

When the students barricaded themselves in a building of Federico Villareal University, a police armored vehicle rammed down the door, and officers arrested 35 students inside, witnesses said.

The students, who blocked streets around the university with bricks and planks, are believed to be sympathizers of the center-left Aprista party of ex-President Alan Garcia, which over the weekend announced it would engage in frontal opposition to the government of Alberto Fujimori, Garcia's successor.

Student leader Julian Rojas said four students were injured in the melee but they were ''kidnapped by police so journalists would not see them.''

In other anti-government activity, bank workers struck Monday in what is the first of several expected labor actions to protest the Fujimori economic plan.

In Peru's north, a column of 70 members of the Shining Path, an ultra-leftist group following the teachings of the late Chinese communist leader Mao Tse-tung, invaded the town of Huasa, 170 miles north of Lima.

Police said the insurgents sacked stores, dynamited public offices, and set up a kangaroo court to try Manuel Garro Accospoma, 65, the governor of the surrounding province, Mayor Saul Valdez Cano, 45, and Elias Jara Veramendi, president of the community.

The three authorities, members of the Aprista Party, were subsequently shot.

In Ayacucho, 200 miles southeast of Lima, a band of 15 suspected Shining Path members pulled Neme Jaramillo from his home in the early morning

hours before executing him in the soccer stadium, police said.

The Shining Path guerrillas routinely execute government officials of all the major political parties as well students and peasants who are believed to be government collaborators.

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#90225u2159 08/13/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 13) UPI - The supply of domestically built cars as of July 31 slipped to a 46-month low, with the nation's top three automakers posting below-normal inventories despite the threat of a labor strike next month, Ward's Automotive Reports said Monday.

Overall, the supply of cars built in either the United States, Canada or Mexico equaled 55 days at the end of July, down from a 62-day stockpile on June 30, Ward's said. That compares with a 65-day supply posted by carmakers in the year-ago month, the weekly statistical publication said in its latest issue.

Unit stock of domestically made cars declined 12.4 percent from June 30 levels to 1,318,200 units as of July 31, it said, noting that that marked the lowest day's supply and inventory count since Sept. 30, 1986.

Inventories of light trucks among domestic manufacturers stood at 71 days or 1,044,500 units as of July 31, down 9.1 percent from June 30 levels, Ward's said.

Traditionally, inventories are lowest each year in either late August or mid-September, when most automakers change over to production for the new model year.

However, most of the changeovers have already been done for 1991, and automakers are still scheduling a record build of 595,000 cars during August - although the Persian Gulf crisis could alter that, Ward's said.

The thin inventories come as the nation's top automakers - General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. - have six weeks left in which to negotiate new national labor pacts to replace existing three-year agreements that expire Sept. 14.

Many industry analysts feel there could be a strike this year, most probably at industry leader GM, as the United Auto Workers union seeks to strengthen job security and reduce outsourcing, or the transfer of work outside the companies.

While Ward's said the lower stockpiles also come at a time when the market is soft, industry analysts said cumulative sales during the first seven

months of the year have become relatively strong.

''Sales are not soft,'' said David Healy, of New York investment firm Barclays BZW. ''The industry has been selling more cars than they have been building recently, and if anything, sales seem to be gradually strengthening.''

During the first seven months of 1990, the U.S. vehicle market ran at an annual pace of about 14.5 million units, said Healy. But July sales were at a 14.8 million unit pace, up from 14.6 million in June.

Among the top automakers, GM saw its domestic car supply shrink from 64 days as of June 30 to 59 days on July 31, while its light truck supply declined from 89 to 81 days, Ward's said.

Second-ranked Ford's U.S. car supplies declined from 68 days, also to 59 days as of July 31, while its U.S. truck inventories went from 70 to 57 days.

Chrysler's car supplies declined from 66 to 60 days as of July 31, while its truck supplies decreased from 86 to 73 days.

Supplies of imported vehicles did not decline as much as those of domestics, Ward's noted. Import car and truck stocks dropped 4.3 percent from June 30 levels, to 602,004 units as of July 31, while the days supply remained even at 59.

But inventories shrank from year-ago levels of 756,714 units on hand, when there was a 66-day supply on hand among importers, Ward's said.

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SAN JOSE, Calif. (AUG. 13) UPI - The key indicator of the health of the U.S. semiconductor market dropped in July to its lowest level this year, driven by a seasonal slowdown in orders, the Semiconductor Industry Association said Monday.

The closely watched book-to-bill ratio, which compares incoming orders to outgoing shipments, dropped to 1.0 in July from 1.06 in June, the trade groupreported.

A ratio of 1.0 means that for every $100 of semiconductors shipped to the U.S. market, chip manufacturers received $100 in new orders.

The July figure was the lowest since November, when the computer-chip industry was at the tail end of a six-month slump. A ratio of less than 1.0 is considered unhealthy for the industry.

The book-to-bill ratio is calculated using a rolling three-month average. Average monthly orders, or bookings, for the three months ended in July were $1.19 billion, as were average monthly shipments, or billings, the associationsaid.

Average monthly bookings were down 6.4 percent from June and average monthly billings were off 1 percent, the association said. Actual billings in July were down 16.7 percent from the previous month.

Orders were up 3.5 percent from July 1989, while shipments were were down 4.9 percent, according to the association.

The drop in shipment values this July reflected lower prices for critical memory chips, said Mel Phelps, a technology analyst for the investment firmHambrecht & Quist in San Francisco.

In addition, summer is a traditionally slow period for the semiconductor industry, Phelps said. He said he expects the ratio to bottom out in August and September and then improve in the last quarter of the year.

''It's a 'mini-cycle' within the four- to five-year cycle for the industry '' Phelps said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Wide compliance with U.N. sanctions against Iraq could make it feel the economic pinch soon, officials and analysts said Monday, but they emphasized that Baghdad's capacity to endure shouldn't be underestimated.

Iraqi stocks of wheat and other staples were believed to have fallen to just three or four months' worth before the invasion of Kuwait, as the country ran short of hard currency to pay suppliers demanding cash.

Iraq may try to mobilize domestic farmers to meet the minimum requirements of its 15 million people. But this would require the incentive of higher prices, which could undermine political support from urban masses.

On the other hand, Iraqis tempered by eight brutal years of war with Iran and cowed by ubiquitous secret police agents are unlikely to challenge the rule of President Saddam Hussein until dire conditions emerge.

U.S. officials voiced satisfaction with initial compliance with the sanctions ordered by the U.N. Security Council last week. All but a handful of nations agreed to boycott Iraqi oil and halt exports to the nation.

Twelve Arab League nations voted last week to abide by the sanctions program, among them Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia. Opposed were Iraq, Libya and the Palestine Liberation Organization. Jordan abstained.

Reports Monday from Amman indicated continued commercial traffic from Jordan into Iraq. Middle Eastern sources suggested that Iraq was making use of Jordan's port of Aqaba, on the Red Sea, to offload unspecified goods.

''There seems to be very wide agreement, acceptance and cooperation,'' said one administration official who requested anonymity. ''As far as I know, nothing's going in. There may be some stocks in Jordan that are still being trucked into Iraq, but you're talking about such small quantities that it makes no difference.''

Yahya Sadowski, an Iraqi expert with the Brookings Institution in Washington, said Iraqi food supplies will soon be tight. But keeping them that way could depend on the cooperation of Turkey and Jordan, its neighbors.

Until last week Jordan was aligned with Iraq in the crisis, while Turkey has been a major food exporter to the Gulf power, Sadowski said. ''Turkey has the strongest economic incentive to finesse the embargo,'' he said.

A U.S. Department of Agriculture official estimated Iraqi wheat stocks at two months' worth under normal circumstances, rice stocks at three months, beans and barley at one month each, and two weeks' worth of corn.

But USDA economist John Parker declined to predict how long reserves could be stretched out by Iraq. He said issuing such forecasts would be the job of a committee under formation in the Agriculture Department.

Iraq built up its food reserves before the Iran-Iraq war erupted 1980, Parker said. This year, cash-strapped Iraq sought to buy on credit, which slowed down delivery just as domestic consumption was rising.

As a result, ''stocks in relation to use have been falling,'' Parker said, and ''it's very apparent there was not a big stocks buildup.''

But it may be unrealistic to expect food shortages will bring Saddam to his knees or even to a parlay, said Marvin Zonis, a University of Chicago Graduate Business School professor who has closely studied Iraq's economy.

He said Saddam's rhetoric about an Islamic holy war is aimed at ''girding the local population'' to endure hardships ahead. ''I think it would be a long time collapsing in terms of food supplies,'' Zonis said.

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MIAMI (AUG. 13) UPI - Eastern Airlines offered Monday round-trip fares ranging from $138 to $278 for customers planning trips this fall.

Several restrictions applied to the low fares, which will be offered between Sept. 5 and Dec. 16:

-Tickets had to be bought before Aug. 29 but were fully refundable, without penalty.

-A Saturday night stay was required.

-The fares were not available during the peak Thanksgiving holiday period, Nov. 21 and Nov. 25 and 26.

''For a limited period we're offering fares well below current prices at a time when most fares are increasing,'' said George Brennan, senior vice president of marketing. ''Now is the time to lock in a low fare with Eastern, for travel during the fall season.''

Brennan said previously announced fuel-related fare increases would not apply to the fall sale prices. The fall fares are good for travel to all of the airline's 62 domestic destinations.

Rising oil prices as a result of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait prompted Eastern and other airlines to raise fares.

Eastern, financially struggling and in Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings, said most of the round-trip fares are based on a mileage formula. Trips less than 300 miles are $138; 301 to 1,260 miles, $158; 1,261 to 1,800 miles, $218; and more than 1,801 miles, $278.

Fares may be $20 more each way in certain markets during peak travel times. Off-peak travel rates are available noon Monday through noon Thursday and all day Saturday.

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MT. KISCO, N.Y. (AUG. 13) UPI - Trans World Airlines announced Monday it was reducing non-refundable fares by 20 to 30 percent in most of the carrier's domestic markets.

Officials with the airline, which had earlier announced a $20 fare increase for international travel, said the decision to make the cuts came in response to President Bush's call for assistance in controlling

fuel-related inflation.

TWA will slash non-refundable fares for purchase between Aug. 14 and Aug. 29 and for travel between Sept. 5 and Dec. 16 within the continental United States, Hawaii and Puerto Rico, officials said.

However, if fuel prices remain at or above current levels, TWA may be compelled to consider fare increases at a later date, noted Dom Morrison, a spokesman for the airline.

The non-refundable tickets must be purchased 24 hours after booking. Sample round-trip midweek fares under the new prices are $158 from New York to St. Louis and $218 from New York to Denver.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - The Pentagon is studying ways to implement the Bush administration's O-K to use force to prevent Iraqi commerce. Earlier today a presidential spokesman said American vessels in the Persian Gulf- in his words- ''would use force, if necessary,'' to block Iraqi exports. But the Pentagon said Navy ships near Iraq have NOT received instructions on how to intercept Iraqi shipments.

The Bush administration continues efforts to sway the global community on the need for a multi-national force to stem further Iraqi aggression. Today, both Syria and Pakistan committed troops to the Persian Gulf. But Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is NOT without his supporters. Thousands of pro-Iraqi demonstrators marched outside the U-S Embassy in Sudan to shout anti-U-S slurs.

Thousands of New York City commuters are walking home across the Brooklyn Bridge this evening, stranded by a power blackout that affected most of the lower parts of Manhattan. The blackout was caused by a mid-day fire at a Consolidated Edison electrical substation. The blackout cut off both subway service and traffic lights, turning much of lower Manhattan into a veritable pedestrian mall.

U-S Army troops fresh from basic training in firefighting techniques are joining the fire lines across the West, relieving crews weary from several days of battling the blazes. Wildfires are burning across 330-thousand acres of California, Idaho and Washington. Flames already have charred 400-thousand acres across those states and Montana and Nevada, where the fires have been brought under control.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - Fresh from what he considers a victory in federal court, Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry positioned himself for renewed campaigning today, registering with the D-C Board of Elections and Ethics as an independent. The three-term mayor sat out the Democratic primary earlier this year, but now could run for re-election or for an at-large seat on the City Council. He has until the 29th of the month to decide.

NASA says it has reason to celebrate following the computer enhancement of images generated by the Hubble Space Telescope. The space agency says the one-point-five-BILLION-dollar cosmic lense will NOT function at its hoped-for level, but that it will still provide valuable information about the universe. Pictures snapped by Hubble were made public today and revealed that a distant star cluster had twice as many young stars as previously thought.

U-S military forces in Liberia today helped evacuate 105 foreigners, including some U-S citizens. The State Department immediately expressed appreciation to Liberian rebel forces for allowing the U-S military convoy to pass through their lines. A 24-hundred-member African peacekeeping force is assembling in Sierra Leone, preparing to move into Liberia.

Men of the world, take note. Researchers today told a meeting of the American Psychological Association that a survey of college women indicate a so-called ''dream man'' is a little bit rugged, and a little bit baby-faced. Three researchers surveyed co-eds on three separate college campuses by using a variety of photographs. The women were asked to rate the pictures in terms of attractiveness.

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ABOARD THE USS SAIPAN, Liberia (AUG. 13) - U.S. Marines flew helicopters into Liberia's rebel-held territory Monday to evacuate 97 foreign nationals fleeing from fighting in the Capital Monrovia.

The evacuees, which included the Spanish ambassador and the papal nuncio in Liberia, were airlifted during the morning form the port of Buchanan, which is controlled by Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front rebels. The evacuees included 16 Spaniards, 15 West Germans, seven Indians, six Lebanese, four Swiss, four Americans, three French and two British. There were also 21 Liberians, most of them dependents.

The civilians drove through Sunday night from the East Monrovia suburbs of Congotown and Sinkor. Heavy fighting broke out there Friday when Taylor's troops attacked government forces and told residents to leave.

The rebels insisted that the Marines arrive unarmed. The demand was met, while the heavily armed rebel forces patrolled the beach where the

evacuees waited in a tropical storm to leave the war-torn country.

''We are very happy to be here. Our trip was extremely difficult,'' said Manuel de Luna, the Spanish ambassador. His nervous face showed signs of relief as he sat in the admiral's parlor aboard the Saipan, moored 4 miles off Buchanan for the operation.

''People were petrified that the government forces would start using rockets to get the rebels out of the area,'' said Jeanette Carter of Colorado, who lectures in anthropology at the University of Liberia in Monrovia.

''We were frightened of being accused of being rebel sympathisers by the government. That was a real worry in case the rebels withdrew from an area and the government forces returned,'' she said.

One of Taylor's close advisers said the NPFL had received a large arms consignment from Burkina Faso four days ago. The weapons and ammunition were brought into Liberia from neighboring Ivory Coast, the adviser said.

Delays in securing the military supplies have held up Taylor's advance on Monrovia. The new supplies will allow Taylor's forces to move on the city centre this week, he said.

Taylor has again refused to accept the imminent arrival of the peace-keeping force now being assembled by the economic community of West African states Ecovasi in Freetown, Sierra Leone.

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LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AUG. 13) UPI - Actress Esther Rolle, who appeared in 1989's ''Driving Miss Daisy'' and in such television series as ''Good Times'' and ''Maude,'' was hospitalized Monday with serious injuries suffered in an automobile accident.

A 70-year-old Marshall, Texas, woman driving the car was killed in the Sunday afternoon accident.

Rolle, 69, suffered several broken ribs, facial cuts and cardiac contusion or bruising of the heart, when the car careened off a freeway and overturned.

The name of the woman killed was not released pending notification of relatives. Rolle and two other women in the car were airlifted to Las Vegas hospitals.

The Nevada Highway Patrol said the driver was heading north when the car

drifted off the side of Interstate 15 near the California-Nevada border. The driver overcorrected and the vehicle overturned, officials said.

Hospital attendants at University Medical Center said Rolle was admitted to the Intensive Care Unit and was expected to remain hospitalized for several days.

''She is in serious but stable condition,'' a hospital spokesman said Monday, adding that Rolle was otherwise ''awake and alert.''

The other two passengers were treated and released. They were identified as Martha Jordan, 63, of Las Vegas and Mary Collins, 63 of Los Angeles.

Michelle Marx, a spokeswoman for Rolle in Los Angeles, said the actress was traveling to Las Vegas with friends for a brief holiday.

Marx described the cardiac contusion as ''nothing life-threatening. ... It is quite common in car accidents if there are chest injuries. It is like bruising your leg,'' she said.

Marx said Rolle is now working with NBC on a series called ''Singer and Son'' is coordinating a one-woman show ''and has a lot of projects going '' Marx said.

''She is very lucky. And she certainly has a lot of friends,'' Marx said. ''We have been getting a lot of telephone calls.''

Rolle is best known for her character Florida Evans, the matriarch on the situation comedy ''Good Times.'' In ''Maude,'' she played the same sassy character.

In ''Driving Miss Daisy,'' Rolle portrayed a housekeeper in a story about a Southern Jewish matron and her black driver.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) UPI - Iraq with its limited access to seaports will have a difficult time breaking the U.S.-enforced U.N. embargo of its oil shipments, shipping sources said Monday.

President Bush Sunday ordered U.S. warships to begin enforcing the embargo imposed by the United Nations a week ago in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and occupation of Persian Gulf neighbor Kuwait.

''I don't think there's a ghost of a chance of it being challenged or thwarted,'' said Philip Loree, chairman of the Federation of American Controlled Shipping in New York.

''Keeping ships from going into Iraq is very easy because it has limited access to the sea. It's beautifully situated for being bottled up,'' Loree said in a telephone interview.

The federation represents the approximately 200 American-owned oil tankers that fly foreign flags, such as Panama and Liberia, because of the high cost of registering them in the United States and manning them with American crews.

Tankers flying the American flag are used almost solely for domestic runs carrying oil between U.S. ports, Loree said.

Worldwide, there are 3,303 tankers capable of carrying 70,000 barrels or more of crude oil, the executive said. Of this amount, 438 are supertankers each able to tranport 1.4 million barrels or more of crude, Loree said.

Even with this large number, there is little chance of a maverick tanker sneaking into an Iraqi port because the movement of the large vessels can be easily monitored from satellite, he said.

The embargo apparently passed its first major test Monday when the Iraqi oil tanker Al Qadisiya was prevented from picking up oil transported by pipeline from Iraq across Saudi Arabia to the Saudi Red Sea port of Yanbu.

A U.S. defense official in Washington said Saudi Arabia refused to send out tugboats and the Iraqi tanker left the area.

The closing of the Saudi port left Iraq with only limited possible outlets to the sea - the Jordanian Red Sea port of Aqaba and outlets at the northern end of the gulf in Iraq and Kuwait.

''We are very optimistic at this point that the embargo will hold and that it will be effective,'' said White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater at Bush's vacation retreat in Kennebunkport, Maine.

He said some ships apparently headed for Iraq already had backed off from entering the Persian Gulf.

Fitzwater declined to say whether U.S. warships would shoot at any ship attempting to run the de facto blockade. ''We won't discuss the orders, the operational authority given,'' he said.

John Prescott of LLoyd's List in London, which tracks world tanker movement on a daily basis, believed the embargo and blockade had yet to be seriously tested.

''It's very difficult at this early stage to say how effective the embargo and blockade will be,'' he said in a telephone interview.

As the stakes go up, the chances will increase that ''cowboy tankers'' will try to run the blockade, he said.

''If things start getting tough for the Iraqis, anything could happen,'' he said.

Any tanker trying to run the blockade would ''face a tremendous amount of ostracism'' from the world tanker community, Loree said. ''It wouldn't be worth it.''

Prescott noted that insurance rates increased tenfold last week for tankers carrying oil to the Saudi ports on the gulf and Iranian ports on the northern half of the gulf because of a fear of Iraqi retaliation.

Crude oil prices also rose more than a dollar a barrel on European cash markets as traders feared Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein would order military retaliation as the embargo's squeeze began to be felt.

''At some point, Saddam Hussein is going to have to challenge this (embargo), and the market reflects that fear,'' said Peter Beutel, vice president of Merrill Lynch Futures Inc. in New York.

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MONTPELIER, Vt. (AUG. 13) UPI - Borden Inc. will pay $150,000 to settle a claim that it marketed thousands of bottles of Canadian maple syrup in packaging that falsely suggested the product came from Vermont, officials said Monday.

''This is a matter of basic fairness to consumers and of protecting those businesses that do, in fact, market Vermont products,'' said state Attorney General Jeffrey Amestoy in announcing the settlement.

Under the deal, Borden - a Columbus, Ohio, food company that posted $7.6 billion in sales last year - will pay $65,000 in civil penalties to the state of Vermont, another $20,000 to reimburse the state for the cost of investigating the matter and $65,000 to a non-profit food bank.

Court documents in the case showed Vermont Maple Orchards, a Borden subsidiary, changed the labels on its Canadian-produced maple syrup on orders from its parent company.

By enlarging the word ''Vermont'' on one section of the packaging, the product's front label appeared to read ''Vermont Maple Syrup,'' court

papers said.

The fact that the syrup actually came from Canada was mentioned in fine print on the bottom of the product's back label.

Jeanne Washko, a Borden spokeswoman, said the mislabeling was a mistake.

Washko said a new Borden marketing employee redesigned the label and made the word ''Vermont'' too big without realizing that the new label violated the state's maple products laws.

When the company was told of the violation, Washko said, it ceased production and redesigned the label.

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FAIRFAX, VA (AUG. 14) UPI - Mobil Corp. announced Monday that it had agreed to buy Esso Australia Ltd. for an undisclosed price, a move that will raise its share of the Australian oil market to 20 percent and increase its presence in the growing Pacific region.

The acquisition includes Esso Australia's network of 300 service stations and 90 fuel distributors as well as minority share in an Esso-Mobil joint venture operating two refineries and other refining and marketing facilities.

''We have been a major player in the Pacific Rim for many years. The acquisition of these assets will advance our strategy of increasing strength in the world's fastest growing market for petroleum products,'' said Mobil chairman Allen Murray in a statement.

With the addition of the Esso stations to the 700 already operated by Mobil in Australia, Mobil Oil Australia will increase its share of the Australian market from 14 percent to 20 percent, the company said.

The purchase, which does not include any of Esso Australia's oil exploration and production nor chemcial manufacturing units, is expected to be approved by year's end after review by Australia's Foreign Investment Review Board and Trade Practices Commission.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) UPI - Ebasco Services Inc. of New York and CEGA, a four-company consortium, have been selected to provide preliminary designs for the Energy Department's two new nuclear weapons production reactors, Energy Secretary James Watkins said Monday.

Watkins said Ebasco, a subsidiary of Dallas-based Enserch Corp., had won a contract to provide initial designs for a heavy-water reactor, which the department plans to build at its Savannah River Plant in South Carolina. The contract is worth more than $1.5 billion over the life of construction.

A similar contract to submit preliminary designs for a modular, high-temperature gas-cooled reactor was awarded to CEGA, a joint company formed by Combustion Engineering of Windsor Locks, Conn., and General Atomics of San Diego, supported by Stone and Webster Engineering Co. of Boston and Burns and Roe Co. of Oradell, N.J. That contract also is valued at more than $1.5 billion.

The department wants to build the gas-cooled reactor at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory near Idaho Falls, Idaho.

The new reactors are needed to produce tritium, a radioactive gas used in nuclear warheads to boost explosive yield. The reactors will replace three aging 1950's-vintage reactors at Savannah River now shut down due to safety problems.

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CULVER CITY, Calif. (AUG. 13) UPI - Columbia Pictures Entertainment will undertake an ambitious 15-year plan to renovate and expand its new home, the historic MGM lot that it acquired last year in a swap with Warner Bros., spokesmen confirmed Monday.

The project's price tag will run into the range of several hundred million dollars and could face strong opposition from local slow-growth advocates who would argue that the expansion would worsen an already sticky traffic pattern.

The seven-stage plan, disclosed last week to Culver City officials and residents at a special meeting, calls for 19 new office and production buildings and demolition of more than 700,000 square feet of outmoded space at the 44-acre lot, the longtime home of the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studio.

Some of the historic structures, such as the commisary and the Hepburn Building where Katharine Hepburn, Spencer Tracy and Lana Turner had star suites, will be restored. The Jean Harlow Building, which was Louis B. Mayer's first office, is currently being restored.

The plans for construction, which will add more than 1.1 million square feet to Columbia's operating space, will have to undergo about a year of environmental and fiscal studies.

The proposal calls for two 11-story buildings, two nine-story buildings, and half a dozen six-story buildings with an art deco design.

Ken Williams, Columbia Pictures senior vice president of finance and administration, said that when the project is completed in 2005, the studio would employ nearly 5,000 people, compared with the current work force of 800.

Columbia moved earlier this year to Culver City, which calls itself ''The Heart of Screenland,'' after a 28-year stay at the Burbank Studios lot, 20 miles to the northeast.

Columbia agreed to swap its property at the Burbank lot, which it shared with Warner Bros., in exchange for the Culver City lot as part of its complicated settlement with Warner to obtain the services of ''Batman'' producers Peter Guber and Jon Peters. Warner was able to extract an estimated $400 million worth of assets from Columbia in return for getting the producers to break their five-year contract with Warner.

Warner had acquired the Culver City lot in 1987 with its purchase of Lorimar-Telepictures Corp.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - Saudi Arabia barred an Iraqi tanker from loading oil at a Red Sea port today in an important test of the U-N sanctioned trade embargo against Iraq. But the Arab response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait remains divided. Jordan's King Hussein today equated the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait with the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip. And pro-Iraqi protesters marched on the U-S Embassy in Sudan.

Oil prices rose around the world today in the belief that the showdown in the Middle East will eventually be a violent one. One New York market analyst said the Middle East-in his words- ''could erupt into a shooting siutation,'' and another in London said Iraqi leader Saddan Hussein-''is NOT acting like a man who will withdraw.''

In a sign of improving U-S-Soviet ties... President Bush today announced that he is lifting a decades-old limit on the number of Soviet business people who can live and work in the United States. In a statement released at his New England vacation home, Bush said he hopes the move normalizes America's economic relationship with Moscow. The discarded rule allowed only 69 Soviets to live and work in the United States in 1990.

Maximo Rene Menendez is expected to be disconnected from life-support systems in a Miami hospital tomorrow. The 25-year-old man has been in a

coma since drinking a bottle of a NON-alcoholic malt drink that was filled with diluted cocaine last month, and he has been declared brain dead. A judge signed an order today sought by the man's mother allowing for the disconnection. It takes effect tomorrow. Police believe the drink was part of a drug-trafficking scheme that went awry, with the bottles winding up in Miami stores.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - Red Cross officials in Geneva say Palestinian extremists in Lebanon have freed the second of two Swiss Red Cross workers taken hostage 10 months ago. A spokeswoman for the organization confirmed that the worker was freed either last night or today. The spokeswoman says Syria played a key role in securing the release. Erriquez is expected to return to Geneva tomorrow.

Political observers in Canada say today's off-year election in Quebec is a test of separatist feelings in the province. Pro-independence candidate Gilles Duceppe appears to be coasting to victory. Duceppe, a labor negotiator and the son of a well-known actor, has received extensive union support as well as the favor of many Montreal city councillors. Analysts say Duceepe's win would set back the Liberal Party nationwide.

In Painsville, Ohio, jury selection began today in the murder trial of cult leader Jeffrey Lundgren. Lundgren is accused of being the triggerman in the massacre of five members of the same family. The judge overseeing the jury selection over-ruled defense objections to four prospective jurors. The defense counsel wanted to dismiss the four based on their knowledge of the case through news coverage.

Officials in upstate New York are preparing to re-settle the Love Canal area. 237 families had to be relocated from the region in 1978, when it was discovered their houses were built on a toxic-waste dump. Officials now say the cleanup is complete, with the first 10 homes now on the block. And they say hundreds of people have already inquired about moving into the area.

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CAIRO, Egypt (AUG. 13) UPI - Kuwait's government-in-exile has organized small bands of resistance fighters who have been carrying out nightly raids across Saudi Arabia into the occupied emirate, reportedly killing several Iraqi soldiers, a spokesman said Monday.

The spokesman said the Kuwaiti resistance, operating in bands of five or six fighters, was conducting the raids against Iraqi army units to deter

atrocities against Kuwaiti citizens.

''We are trying to make the (Iraqi) soldiers afraid to do something against the Kuwaiti people, to give them something to think about,'' Ahmad Fahad al Ahmad al Sabah, a nephew of Kuwait's deposed Emir Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah, said in an interview with United Press International at a Cairo hotel.

''Like the Afghanis (fighting the Soviet Union), we want to make (Iraqi troops) always afraid and thinking,'' Al Sabah said.

Gulf-based Western diplomats have reported limited pockets of resistance to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of the oil-rich emirate, but there were no immediate indications of the effectiveness of the opposition.

Early editions of Tuesday's Al Akhbar newspaper reported the resistance movement said it had destroyed an Iraqi tank and armored personnel carrier Sunday, killing several Iraqi soldiers. The report could not be independently confirmed.

Western diplomats did confirm some reports of atrocities by Iraqi troops, however, including the shooting deaths of a number of women demonstrating against the invasion in Kuwait City.

Al Sabah, whose father was killed defending the Emir's palace during an Iraqi armored advance, said the small-scale resistance that started last week would not be able to budge Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's massive invasion force, but may at least deliver a message.

''The units operate in small bands of no more than five to six,'' he said. ''They are comprised of soldiers and citizens. ... The units sneak across the border between Iraqi troops to carry out the raids in Kuwait City before returning to Saudi Arabia.''

Al Sabah said officials from the Kuwaiti government-in-exile were directing the guerilla bands from the Saudi border. Several hundred of Kuwait's 20,000-strong army managed to flee the invading Iraqis and find refuge in the Saudi Arabian desert.

Al Sabah said Kuwaitis fleeing to Saudi Arabia last week described some mass slayings of families by Iraqi troops. More than 20 civilians a day were being killed for not cooperating with the soldiers, he said, but the report could not be independently confirmed.

The resistance leaders counted on Western nations to eventually offer support for their attacks, but in the meantime Kuwaitis would fight the occupation, Al Sabah said.

''We are not upset (with the United States and other nations) because we understand political decisions and the potential for greater conflict, but we are not going to sit by and wait for outside help,'' Al Sabah said. ''Our brothers are being killed and families are being raped and our land was stolen.

''If you see your brother fighting, you will go help him. God willing, we will kick them out of our country, or they will have to kill all the Kuwaitis.''

Several thousand Kuwaiti citizens between the ages of 21 and 35 have signed up to join the resistance at embassies worldwide, Al Sabah said. Hundreds of Egyptians, other Arabs and five Americans also have volunteered, he said.

''People think that Kuwait is rich and that we are not patient and hard people, but we are. Like President Bush said, listen, watch and learn,'' he said.

Inside Kuwait, citizens separate from the organized resistance also were carrying out suicide attacks against Iraqi soldiers in response to Iraqi atrocities, Al Sabah said.

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MIAMI (AUG. 13) UPI - A tropical depression that lost character and was downgraded to a tropical wave over the weekend became Tropical Storm Fran late Monday afternoon, packing 40-mph winds and moving toward the Windward Islands.

A tropical storm warning was issued for Trinidad and Tobago and Genada and its dependencies, and a tropical storm watch was issued for Barbados, St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

The system went from being designated a tropical wave to a tropical storm - skipping the normal progression from wave to depression to storm - because of its characteristics and for safety reasons, said Miles Lawrence a forecaster at the National Hurricane Center.

''We went directly from a wave to a storm because we got a report from a ship that there were tropical storm force winds,'' he said. ''There is some question as to whether this is a full-fledged tropical storm, but its proximity to the islands and the shipping report caused us to go ahead and name it and get the warnings up and we'll deal with the classification later.''

At 6 p.m. EDT, the center of Fran was centered near near latitude 9.3

north, longitude 55.4 west, or about 400 miles east southeast of Trinidad. It was moving west at near 25 mph and tropical storm-force winds extended outward up to 175 miles north of the center.

Lawrence said the system was expected to continue moving west at least through Monday night with some reduction in forward speed on Tuesday. Some additional strengthening was also possible, he said.

Fran was formed from the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season's seven tropical depression, which developed Saturday midway between the African coast and the Lesser Antilles. The season runs from June 1 to Nov. 30.

Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center gave it little chance of strengthening because it was at such a low latitude.

''If it hits South America it will still dissipate,'' Lawrence said.

The hurricane center downgraded the system to a wave on Sunday, when it lost all identifiable tropical characteristics.

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EDMONTON, ALBERTA (AUG. 13) UPI - Chinese Taipei eliminated the United States from medal contention Monday night with a 10-7 victory at the World Baseball Championships.

Starting pitcher Chien-Fu Kuo Lee won his fourth game in a week, limiting the U.S. to two runs through the first six innings.

The U.S. jumped on Kuo-Lee for a 2-0 lead in the first inning on Jim Austin's single and a home run by Brent Gates.

Chinese Taipei countered with three in their half of the first, two scoring on Cheng-Hsien Chang's single.

Chinese Taipei broke the game open in the second inning, driving U.S. starter Mike Hostetler from the mound with three consecutive singles. Paul Byrd came on in relief and gave up a two-run triple to Wei-Chen Chen.

Taipei increased its lead to 9-2 in the third, but the U.S. struggled back on home runs by Darren Bragg and Joe Ciccarella.

The loss drops the U.S. to 0-2 in the second round of the tournament. Even if the U.S. beats heavily-favored Cuba Wednesday night, it will not be enough to qualify for the final round. Chinese Taipei improved to 1-1.

In the first game Monday, Japan disposed of Canada 12-8 to raise its

second-round mark to 2-0. Canada dropped from contention with the loss.

Cuba, 1-0, takes on South Korea, 1-0, Monday night.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - Marion Barry is keeping his ''options open.'' The Washington, D-C, mayor switched his political party affiliation today to independent for a possible fourth term, or a City Council seat. Barry had been a life-long Democrat.

Jury deliberations resume tomorrow in the trial of three youths accused of beating and raping a jogger in New York. The jury today viewed dozens of photographs of the jogger's battered body taken after the April 1989 attack.

The exodus from Liberia continues. U-S officials say another 105 foreigners- including some Americans- left the war-torn African nation today under the protection of American military forces.

A tropical storm warning was issued for Trinidad, Tobago and Grenada due to Tropical Storm Fran's formation today. The National Hurricane Center in Miami says Fran was moving its 40 mile-an-hour winds toward the Windward Islands.

Nicaragua's government says there is a slight chance that Sandinista workers will stage another walkout soon. But a government official says both sides ''learned their lesson'' from the last strike and are trying to avert another one.

A Dallas woman is charged with arson in a fire that gutted a group home, killing four women and injuring three others. The suspect's mother says she begged a state mental hospital NOT to release her daughter last week.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - The head of the Federation of American Controlled Shipping in New York says Iraq will have great difficulty circumventing the U-S-enforced embargo of Iraqi oil. Philip Loree says Iraq is- as he put it- ''beautifully situated for being bottled up.'' Loree's organization represents about 200 U-S-owned oil tankers that are foreign-flagged.

A member of Kuwait's deposed royal family says Kuwaiti loyalists are carrying out nightly border forays into Iraqi-occupied Kuwait to ensure that Iraqi troops do NOT commit atrocities against Kuwaiti citizens. The

nephew of Emir Sheik Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah told U-P-I that a number of Iraqi troops have been killed since the raids began.

East Germany has recognized West Germany's Republican Party, a group that has come under attack as being ''neo-fascist.'' The recognition was granted despite the objections of several political groups and anti-fascist movements. A spokesman for the East German Parliament said he could find NO evidence that would justify a ban against the Republicans.

Peruvian police say that Shining Path guerrillas executed three government officials and also killed a peasant and a student. The Maoist rebels reportedly moved in on a town 170 miles north of Lima, set up a kangaroo court to try local officials and executed the regional governor, the mayor and the president of the community.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - Civil defense authorities in Hawaii say the world famous black sand beach at Kaimu is now a memory. Officials say the molten rock from the Kilauea volcano smothered the beach today. The beach was a familiar sight in travel posters and was a favorite of amateur photographers. Kilauea began its eruption seven and a half years ago. Since then, it has claimed a number of natural landmarks on the island of Oahu.

Florida authorities today announced a 50-count racketeering and fraud indictment against four men. Among the quartet is communications lawyer Thomas Root, who gained notoriety last summer when military planes tracked his descent into the Atlantic Ocean. The indictments cover the group's sale of investments in broadcasting licenses.

Actress Esther Rolle is hospitalized in serious, but stable condition in Las Vegas after a car in which she was riding overturned on a freeway yesterday. The woman driving the car was killed, but two other passengers were treated and released. Rolle played the character of Florida Evans in the T-V series ''Maude'' and Good Times,'' and she also had a role in this year's best-picture Oscar-winner, ''Driving Miss Daisy.''

Doctors from Johns Hopkins University have attempted a new blood treatment on a four-year-old Virginia boy with leukemia. The doctors injected the boy today with blood from the umbilical cord of his two-month-old sister. The blood is rich in so-called stem cells, which make up bone marrow. The treatment has been used before to combat a rare blood disorder known as Fanconi's anemia.

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DENVER (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Forest Oil Corp. announced Tuesday that it has renegotiated a $65 million line of credit with its banking group.

Currently, the borrowing limit is approximately $60,700,000 and as of Aug. 14, 1990, the company had borrowed $33 million against this credit line.

Forest Oil Corp. is engaged in the exploration for and acquisition, development and production of oil and natural gas. The company's principal reserves and producing properties are located offshore Louisiana and in Texas, Wyoming, Oklahoma and Alberta, Canada. The company is traded on the NASDAQ/NMS system, under the FOIL symbol.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Logic Devices Inc. (NASDAQ:LOGC), a manufacturer of high-performance CMOS integrated circuits Tuesday announced it had signed a non-exclusive agreement with AT&T Microelectronics involving product licensing.

Under the terms of the agreement, Logic Devices licenses AT&T to manufacture and sell products designed by Logic. The initial products licensed include Logic's ultra-fast static random access memories (SRAMs). The two companies have also agreed to extend the current wafer foundry agreement, signed in January 1989 until 1996. The foundry agreement provides Logic Devices finished silicon wafers from AT&T for manufacturing its advanced products.

''We believe this long-term cooperative relationship between AT&T and Logic Devices will result in the proliferation of the world's fastest family of high-speed static memory products,'' said Bill Volz, president of Logic Devices.

Logic Devices manufactures ultra high-performance CMOS digital integrated circuits for applications requiring high operating speeds and low operating power. The company's products include the industry's fastest SRAMs, digital signal processing (DSP) devices, and arithmetic computational building blocks.

The company's devices are used in a wide range of applications, including computers, workstations, video image processing, telecommunications and medical instruments. Many of Logic's products are offered in MIL-STD-883C class B compliant versions to support high-reliability applications and military requirements.

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DAYTON, OH (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. announced today that Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, of Santa Barbara, Calif., is installing NCR Access 2000 networking tools.

The 600-bed, for-profit hospital is providing remote physician offices with access to four key applications: hospital information, laboratory, radiology and operating room scheduling.

''The steering committee of the hospital believes a critical factor for success during the 1990s is its relationship with the physician community '' said Mike Hax, NCR's acting national director of health care systems. ''Its primary goal in installing this network is to provide physicians with better information, which will equip them to improve patient care.''

NCR Access 2000 is a hardware and software solution that includes a connectivity manager and high-level fourth generation language. Running on an NCR TOWER platform, it serves information collected from a variety of different vendors' applications to on-site or off-site PCs or terminals.

At Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, the Access 2000 network provides simultaneous, multi-user access to three areas: a hospital information system running Spectrum software on an IBM AS/400 computer, a radiology management system running DECRAD software on a DEC VAX 6310 computer system, and an operating room scheduling system running on a Token Ring local area network.

With Access 2000, a user can view all applications simultaneously. In addition, the end user view can be customized for each physician.

Presenting physicians with access to hospital applications is only the first step. ''The administrators examined networking needs, and they realized there was a need for an enterprise-wide network that would address smaller networks within the hospital, in addition to providing remote physician access,'' Hax said.

Providing physician access will be the first step to a campus-wide FDDI (Fiber Distributed Data Interface), which will be implemented by NCR. This backbone network will use high-speed, high-capacity fiber optic cable

to connect existing and future Ethernet and Token Ring sub-networks.

Service and maintenance support of NCR products is provided by NCR's 5,000 field engineers located at 400 locations throughout the United States.

NCR Corp., based in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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BRAINTREE, MA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ: GROS) reported July 1990 sales of $72.3 million, 1.3 percent ahead of sales of $71.3 million from ongoing operations in July 1989.

Grossman's, a major retailer of lumber and building materials operates 156 stores in nine Northeastern states and in California.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Cavco Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:CVCO) Tuesday reported financial results for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990.

For the third quarter, net sales were $8,772,476, compared with the $7,491,313 reported for the similar period last year. Net income increased to $263,735, or 24 cents per share, compared with $187,823, or 17 cents per share, last year.

Through the nine-month period ended June 30, 1990, net sales were $27,658,613, an improvement over the $27,341,304 reported last year. Net income was $572,392, or 52 cents per share, compared with $719,473, or 65 cents per share, reported for the same period last year.

Cavco Industries is a diversified company which produces a line of manufactured homes, manufactures and leases relocatable offices and, through its subsidiary, provides health care management services.

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RESTON, VA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Tuesday announced the introduction of Sprint Express(sm), a service that lets customers make operator-assisted long-distance calls from foreign locations to the United States at significant savings.

Service is now available from the United Kingdom, and other countries will be added later this year.

Sprint Express provides a direct connection to US Sprint operators, letting customers in overseas locations avoid high surcharges billed by hotels for long-distance calling. Business travelers and others who call the U.S. can realize substantial savings.

To use Sprint Express, customers dial a local telephone number in the foreign country, and are immediately connected to a US Sprint operator, who records the information necessary for billing and places the call. Service is offered to holders of US Sprint FONCARDs and local exchange company (LEC) calling cards, and to any customer making a collect call to the U.S.

US Sprint also announced FONCARD service from Canada. Customers traveling in Canada now may use their FONCARDs to make long-distance calls to anywhere in the U.S. The procedure is identical to that for using FONCARD when calling from within the U.S. -- customers dial an 800 number to access a tone, dial ''0'' and the number, and enter their authorization codes.

''The introduction of Sprint Express and the availability of FONCARD service from Canada mean greater convenience and savings for US Sprint customers while traveling abroad,'' said William R. Blessing, vice president of international marketing and operations for Sprint International, the global telecommunications and private networks subsidiary of US Sprint.

''US Sprint, long synonymous with quality telecommunications services within the U.S., now is gaining the same reputation and customer following overseas.''

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City, Mo.

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DENVER (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - TPEX Exploration Inc. board of directors has named T. Scott Martin, of Boulder, chairman, chief executive officer and president of the company.

He succeeds John K. Beumee, who will retire as chairman, CEO and president but will continue as a director.

Martin has been in the oil and gas industry since 1979. He was a director of Consolidated Oil & Gas Inc. and has been a consultant to BWAB Inc., an oil and gas exploration company, since 1986.

Martin began his career with Amoco Production Co. in Denver. He worked as a reservoir engineer and finally as head of the enhanced oil engineering group for Amoco's Denver region.

John Beumee noted that Martin brings a new dimension of science, technology and finance to TPEX. ''The future of the oil and gas industry in the Continental United States is in more efficient extraction of oil and gas through advanced technologies such as horizontal drilling and enhanced oil recovery.

''We believe Scott Martin, with his background in these areas, will provide TPEX with the ability to be more competitive.''

TPEX is an 11-year-old company. Its principal business is the acquisition of oil and gas properties for its own account and for others. The company currently owns interests in producing properties in Texas, New Mexico, California, Oklahoma, Wyoming and South Dakota.

The firm has offices at 1675 Larimer St., Suite 440, Denver, CO 80202, telephone 303/595-4800. Its stock is traded over-the-counter, NASDAQ symbol TPEX.

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DENVER (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Affiliated Bankshares of Colorado Inc.

announced that it has signed an underwriting agreement with Boettcher & Co. Inc. for an offering of new notes in the principal amount of $15 million, which may be increased at Boettcher's option to $17,250,000.

These notes are the first offered by Affiliated under a ''shelf'' registration statement for possible offerings of debt of up to $45 million in series.

The new notes will mature on Sept. 1, 1997, and will bear interest at the rate of 10-1/2 percent per annum.

Proceeds of the 10-1/2 percent notes are to be used, together with cash on hand, to redeem $20 million of the $50 million of outstanding 11-5/8 percent notes due April 1, 1993. The 11-5/8 percent notes are callable by Affiliated Bankshares at par plus accrued interest. The redemption date is expected to be in approximately six weeks because of notice requirements.

Affiliated Bankshares is a state-wide bank holding company with $2.6 billion in assets, 28 banks and 4 bank-related service companies serving the major markets of Colorado.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Lawrence S. Moy, M.D., Ava Shamban, M.D., and Howard Murad, M.D., in Westchester, Los Angeles, have been using a natural fruit acid in sugar cane plants to overcome and reverse some of the damaging effects that sunlight has on human skin.

Dr. Moy and Dr. Murad have been researching glycolic acid, one of a group of alpha-hydroxy acids. In Los Angeles and at UCLA Medical Center with Ronald Moy, M.D., they proved that glycolic acid may be effective in removing wrinkles, mild scars, skin discoloration, and scaly pre-cancerous growths called actinic keratoses that are caused by the sun.

Dr. Moy and Dr. Murad presented their findings to colleagues at the clinical and scientific meeting of the American Society for Dermatologic Surgery in Maui, Hawaii. Patients treated with glycolic acid reported ''marked improvement'' in both the texture of the skin and in skin color or pigmentation. In addition, both fine and coarse wrinkles and the early growths caused by sun damage were improved.

More than 200 patients were studied for effects of glycolic acid on their

skin (although 3,000 patients have been successfully treated with various forms of glycolic acid). Some patients underwent a chemical peel using 70 percent glycolic solution applied to the skin several times over a 3-4 month period. An 8 to 10 percent cream or gel of glycolic acid was used for daily applications at home.

Several biochemical tests and histological examinations suggest that glycolic acid may increase the amount of normal collagen and elastin in the skin. Collagen and elastin are natural proteins found in connective tissue in the body which support the skin and make it supple. Both appear to be subject to damage and destruction by sunlight, causing wrinkles.

Dr. Moy said that it is believed that glycolic acid may act in some manner to cause regeneration of the protein. Further studies are definitely required to investigate these findings. The doctors feel that glycolic acid may be very effective in wrinkle therapy because of the deep penetration and specific effects on connective tissue.

Further studies are required. They will be requesting new patients for these studies. Dr. Murad, Dr. Shamban, and Dr. Moy are practicing dermatologists in Los Angeles. They also regularly perform chemical peels cosmetic surgery and skin cancer surgery.

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ANAHEIM, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Starting today, the newest Carl's Jr. Restaurant at 1190 W. Foothill Blvd. in Azusa has its menu at your fingertips with an innovative touch-screen system.

The system, called Touch 2000, allows you to order your meal by touching selections on a touch-sensitive display terminal. Completed food orders are displayed instantly on monitors at cook and cashier stations. With this system, one cashier can handle two lines of customers at the same time, reducing their wait time.

The computer display shows the names of Carl's Jr. items grouped in categories to make ordering hamburgers, sandwiches, salads or beverages easy. At the close of an order, the system checks the order and makes an appropriate suggestion, such as ''Would you like a cool soda or an iced tea?'' or ''Would you like a chocolate chip cookie?''

''This represents the cutting edge of technology in our industry,'' said Bob Altman, vice president of management information systems for Carl's Jr. Restaurants. ''This system has the potential to allow us to use

labor more effectively and reduce errors in order-taking, which works to improve service.''

Touch 2000 was developed by Management Information Support Inc. of Denver in consultation with restaurant management employees. The system is driven by International Business Machines Corp. Personal System/2 computers. Carl's Jr. is using a modified version of the system tailored to its menu mix and requirements.

According to independent study data provided by MIS Inc., 77 percent of customers surveyed prefer ordering with the touch-screen system versus traditional over-the-counter ordering methods in quick-service restaurants.

The system is currently being tested in a brand-new Carl's Jr. If the initial test is considered successful, Carl's Jr. will install the system in an already established Carl's Jr. to determine its effects on operations before and after installation.

More than 540 Carl's Jr. Restaurants -- owned, operated, franchised or licensed by Carl Karcher Enterprises Inc. -- are located in California, Arizona, Nevada, Oregon and Japan.

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NATICK, Mass. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Waban Inc. (NYSE: WBN), a major operator of warehouse clubs, reported today its second quarter financial results.

Sales rose 18 percent to $623 million during the 13 weeks ended July 28, 1990 and for the first half of the year totalled $1.2 billion, up 19 percent from 1989.

Net income for the second quarter reached $6.8 million, or 24 cents per share, vs. $8.8 million, or 31 cents per share, last year. This brings year-to-date net income to $8.2 million or 29 cents per share, compared to net income of $15.3 million, or 54 cents per share, recorded during the first half of 1989.

''Our results for the second quarter, while still down from last year, represent solid improvement over the first quarter,'' commented John F. Levy, Waban president and chief executive officer. ''More importantly, our progress this quarter gives us a clear indication that the programs we put in place at the beginning of the year to build the long-term strength and

competitiveness of our company are producing the desired results.''

Second quarter sales at Waban's HomeClub division totalled $349 million, a 23 percent increase over 1989, and aggregated $657 million year-to-date, up 22 percent. HomeClub's operating income totalled $11.3 million for the second quarter vs. $13.3 million a year ago. Year-to-date, HomeClub's operating income now totals $18.2 million compared to $24.3 million last year.

''In February, we announced plans for HomeClub aimed at enhancing the division's long-term performance. Implementation of these plans has led to increased levels of customer service at our warehouses. We have also expanded our marketing efforts significantly through a powerful combination of print and television advertising,'' continued Levy. ''The costs associated with these programs continue to pressure operating margins. However, with sales growth, these expenses will be better leveraged, resulting in increasing levels of profitablility over the long haul. What we have seen during the second quarter is the initial success of our programs, evidenced by the strongest quarterly increase in same-store sales we have achieved at HomeClub in three years.''

Sales at BJ's Wholesale Club were up 13 percent over last year to $247 million for the quarter and for the first half of the year rose 14 percent to $512 million. BJ's recorded operating income of $2.9 million for the second quarter compared to $4.2 million in 1989 and $745,000 for the first half of fiscal 1991 vs. $6.0 million last year.

''Same-store sales volume at BJ's Wholesale Club continues to grow despite the economic slowdown in the northeastern United States and a growing number of competitive wholesale clubs,'' added Levy. ''Second quarter operating income at BJ's improved substantially over the first quarter aided by excellent control of expenses. As we have noted before, the absence of surcharge income formerly paid by non-fee paying members negatively impacts our margins and will continue to do so in the third quarter. The fourth quarter should benefit from the annual renewal of a large portion of our membership base. During the second half of this year we expect to open six new clubs and launch a number of membership drives aimed at the holiday season in which the bulk of BJ's earnings will be achieved.''

Waban Inc. is a major participant in the rapidly growing field of warehouse retailing through its HomeClub and BJ's Wholesale Club businesses. HomeClub is one of the nation's leading merchandisers of home improvement products at everyday low prices, operating 62 warehouses in 10 western states. BJ's Wholesale Club, which currently operates 24 clubs in the eastern United States, is a low-cost, low-margin, high-volume, membership-oriented distributor of food and general merchandise.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Fujitsu Network Switching of America Inc. Tuesday introduced two terminal adapters for the DMS-100, becoming the only full-line ISDN (Integrated Services Digital Network) CPE vendor to support both AT&T and Northern Telecom switches.

The announcement opens up a large part of the available ISDN Centrex market to Fujitsu. According to NBI (Northern Business Information), it's estimated that AT&T and Northern Telecom combined have 78 percent of the installed digital switch market in the United States. These central office switches are migratable to ISDN through a combination of software and hardware upgrades.

The two terminal adapters, the SRS-400 and SRS-410, feature a removable cartridge; the user simply has to remove the existing feature cartridge and insert a new one to keep abreast of new ISDN voice and data capabilities.

The AT&T 5ESS versions of the products have been on the market since 1988. The Northern Telecom versions have essentially the same features, and an identical user interface, as the AT&T versions.

The SRS-410, a V.35 terminal adapter, is Fujitsu's most often requested model for imaging applications such as video conferencing and Group 4 facsimile, as well as for other high-bandwidth applications such as LAN bridging and host-to-host connectivity. The SRS-410 features an optional analog telephone interface that can be used for Group 3 facsimile.

Like their 5ESS counterparts, the Fujitsu DMS-compatible products support both the V.120 and V.110 rate adaption standards. Rate adaption is required so that a terminal or PC that needs to communicate over an ISDN B-channel at data rates less than 64 Kbps (kilobits per second) can ''rate adapt'' its data up to that rate to fill the available 64 Kbps pipe.

This is needed to allow the ISDN to transparently pass data through the network on a uniform basis. Rate adaption is handled by the ISDN terminal adapter and the method employed is independent of the type of central office switch.

The products also feature passive-bus capability and 56 Kbps Bearer Service. Passive-bus capability means that, for example, two TAs can operate on a single ISDN BRI (Basic Rate Interface) line, effectively cutting line costs in half.

56 Kbps Bearer Service makes the units compatible with existing 56 Kbps digital services as well as with private T-1 based networks. This means that more routes are available for domestic ISDN data calls and that the products can be used for international ISDN calls.

The new products will be available in September from Fujitsu distributors throughout the United States, including RBOCs (Regional Bell Operating Companies), independent telephone companies and other specialized channels.

Fujitsu ISDN Systems, a division of Fujitsu Network Switching of America Inc., develops, designs, markets and supports a full range of ISDN network terminals, including telephones and terminal adapters.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Health Care Property Investors Inc. (NYSE:HCP) Tuesday announced that the company has entered into a commitment with Charter Medical Corp. of Macon, Ga., to acquire and concurrently leaseback 12 medical facilities for an aggregate acquisition price of $76.2 million.

The commitment provides for the properties to be acquired and leased back by Sept. 30.

In addition, if certain conditions are met, the commitment provides for the acquisition and leaseback of five additional properties, near the end of the first quarter of 1991, for approximately $36 million. The acquisition of all properties is subject to receipt of certain governmental regulatory approvals and certain other requirements customary in transactions of this type.

Kenneth B. Roath, chairman and chief executive officer of HCP, said: ''The acquisition of the initial 12 facilities would include the purchase of nine free-standing psychiatric hospitals with 652 beds, one acute general hospital with 103 beds and two adjoining medical office buildings with a total of 88,618 square feet. The properties are located in six states principally in the Southeast and Midwest.

''The acquisition of this group of high-quality properties greatly enhances the diversification of HCP's investment portfolio of medical

facilities, by type of property, geographic location and operator.''

The consummation of the first phase of this proposed acquisition would bring the real estate portfolio of HCP, directly and indirectly through partnerships, to 156 properties in 31 states.

The properties would include 126 long-term care facilities, 10 psychiatric hospitals, six rehabilitation hospitals, three acute care general hospitals, nine congregate care facilities and two medical office buildings having a total investment value of approximately $630 million.

Health Care Property Investors Inc. is an equity-oriented real estate investment trust that invests directly or through joint ventures in health-care-related facilities including long-term care facilities, acute care and rehabilitation hospitals, psychiatric hospitals, substance abuse recovery centers, congregate care living facilities and medical office buildings.

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TAFT, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Berry Petroleum Co. (NYSE:BRY) Tuesday announced net income of $2,416,000, or 11 cents per share, on revenues of $12,440,000, for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compared to net income of $3.5 million, or 20 cents per share, on revenues of $11,883,000 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1989. Net income totalled $6,811,000, or 32 cents per share, on revenues of $26,174,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1990. This compared to net income of $5,799,000, or 32 cents per share, on revenues of $21,168,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

The increase in net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, compared to the same period ended June 30, 1989, is primarily due to a higher average crude price received and higher interest income earned on cash balances.

The increase in revenues for the same period is primarily due to a higher average crude price received and sales from the company's new blending facility which began its operations in May of this year. The decrease in net income for the three months ended June 30, 1990, over the same period in the prior year is a direct result of the decline in average crude price received during the second quarter of 1990 compared to the second quarter of 1989.

At June 30, 1990, the company had working capital of $62,725,000 and generated $8,453,000 of cash flow from operating activities for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

Berry Petroleum Co. is a publicly traded, independent oil and gas production and exploration company with its headquarters in Taft.

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HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - RAD Network Devices Inc. (RND), the technological leader in internetworking products, Tuesday announced the expansion of their Eastern regional office in Rochelle Park, N.J.

The office will house RND sales and service operations for the eastern United States. Ajit Pradhan, technical support manager, will spearhead customer support and training, and Bill Carrick, Eastern regional sales manager, will oversee sales operations.

''This expansion is a direct result of the demand we've seen for our bridge/routing equipment in the United States, and the critical need for local sales, customer support and training,'' said Michael Grimshaw, president of RND.

In his new role, Pradhan will manage RND's Eastern technical support and engineering teams including the coordination of customer training and distributor certification.

Pradhan brings over 16 years of engineering experience to RND. Most recently he was a communications consultant for Digital Equipment Corp. (DEC) in New Jersey. Before joining DEC, Pradhan held several engineering and management positions with MICOM Systems, WANG Laboratories and TIMEPLEX Corp.

Pradhan earned his bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering at the University of Poona, India, and pursued graduate studies in electrical engineering at the Fairleigh Dickinson University in Teaneck, N.J.

Carrick joined the company in March and brings over 15 years of experience in sales management to RND. Most recently he was manager of sales at CMC in Santa Barbara, Calif. Carrick has also held sales management positions with Integrated Telecom, Emulex and Equinox. He received his bachelor of science in scientific and technical management from Fort Lauderdale University in 1972.

RAD Network Devices is the technological leader in internetworking products for the local and wide area networking markets. Founded in 1987, the company introduced the industry's first combination bridge/router to provide enterprisewide networking solutions for the global market.

RND's family of bridge/router products allows users to interconnect local and remote LANs into a single, integrated network for a wide range of applications and vertical market sectors.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - BMA Corp. reported earnings from continuing operations for second quarter 1990 of $3.3 million, or 34 cents per share, a 70% increase, compared to $1.9 million, or 20 cents per share, in the second quarter of 1989.

Revenues of $29.8 million were 15% higher than $26 million in the second period last year. Net earnings of $11.3 in the second quarter were lower than net earnings of $25.7 million last year, which reflected $23.8 million of earnings from discontinued operations.

As previously reported, in a significant subsequent event, the sale of BMA Corp.'s insurance subsidiary, Business Men's Assurance Company of America, was completed on July 31, 1990. The after-tax gain from this transaction is estimated to be approximately $35 million. As a result, insurance company operations are presented as discontinued operations in the June 30 1990 financial statements.

W. Thomas Grant II, president and chief executive officer of BMA Corp. said, ''Second quarter individual insurance earnings of $2.9 million were about the same as the second quarter last year. Group insurance operations produced earnings of $987,000 in the second quarter compared to a loss of $656,000 in the same period of 1989.

''Operating earnings for Reinsurance Services in the second quarter were $634,000, reflecting unfavorable mortality as compared to $2.1 million last year.

''While total unit volumes reached a new record level at Home Office Reference Laboratory in the second quarter 1990, revenues did not advance

at the same rate due to decreased unit prices resulting from additional volume discounts and competitive pressure.

''Revenues in the second quarter were $21.3 million, a 2.9% increase over first quarter 1990 revenues of $20.7 million, and a 1.8% increase over second quarter 1989 revenues of $20.9 million. Non-cash expenses, primarily depreciation and amortization reduced earnings from operations to $6.1 million compared with $8.3 million for the three months ended June 30, 1989.''

Real estate revenues in the second quarter totaled $7.4 million compared to $4.9 million in the second quarter last year. This operating segment reduced losses in the second period to $427,000 from a loss of $822,000 in the second quarter of l989.''

CONTACT: BMA Corp., Kansas City
Alex Matthews, 816/753-5422.

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DURANGO, CO (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Centennial Savings Bank, F.S.B. announced fiscal third quarter earnings of $202,600, or 32 cents per share for the quarter ending June 30, 1990, as compared to $86,100, or 14 cents per share, for the corresponding quarter ending June 30, 1989.

Earnings for the nine month period ending June 30, 1990, were $489,000, or 78 cents per share, as compared with $380,500, or 61 cents per share, for the like period of 1989.

James Sheppard, president of the savings bank, attributed the increased performance to the growth in earnings assets associated with recent acquisitions and the improving real estate economy of Western Colorado.

With assets of $159 million, Centennial Savings Bank, F.S.B. operates branches in Durango, Grand Junction, Montrose, Pagosa Springs, Cortez and Dolores, Colorado and a mortgage subsidiary, Centennial Mortgage Corp., in Farmington, N.M.

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James C. Sheppard, 303/247-4183

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ANAHEIM, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Bridgford Foods Corp. (OTC:BRID) Tuesday announced a regular quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per share.

The dividend is payable Oct. 3 to shareholders of record on Sept. 4. Bridgford Foods, a producer of frozen bread dough, processed meats, dry sausages, microwaveable sandwiches and other convenience food products, currently has 4,177,000 shares outstanding.

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R. E. Schulze, P.R. Department, 714/526-5533

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of United Telecommunications Inc. has declared regular third quarter dividends.

Dividends of 25 cents per common share and 37 1/2 cents per share on both the first and second series convertible preferred stock was declared.

All dividends will be paid Sept. 28 to stockholders of record as of Sept. 7.

The third quarter dividend on the common stock of United Telecom will be the 182nd consecutive dividend paid by the company since 1939.

CONTACT: US Sprint, Kansas City Steve Dykes, 816/276-6891

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PHOENIX (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Swift Transportation Co. Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SWFT) announced Tuesday that it has authorized the repurchase of shares of its common stock with an aggregate purchase price of up to $3,300,000, at per share purchase prices not to exceed $11.

The company stated that its board of directors believes that the recent trading prices of the company's stock have been adversely affected by circumstances relating to the stock market and the trucking industry generally, and that such prices are not reflective of the company's true value.

Accordingly, the company's board has authorized the repurchase program to reduce the number of outstanding shares, thereby increasing earnings per share, and so that the repurchased shares can be used for employee stock option and incentive plans or for future equity financings at more favorable prices.

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Jerry Moyes or Bill Riley, 602/269-9700

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SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - California Microwave Inc. (OTC:CMIC) announced that its subsidiary, Satellite Transmission Systems Inc., has won, in international competition, a $12.6 million contract from Acumen Co. Ltd. of Thailand to supply a domestic digital satellite network.

The services will be used by the Telephone Organization of Thailand.

The network, which will provide a critical capacity of over 2,000 voice circuits, will both supplement TOT's existing capacity and provide rapid restoral for terrestrial services in the event of disruptions.

The equipment consists of ten 7.2 meter redundant C-band earth stations and a Network Control Center located at the master station in Bangkok. Time Division Multiple Access is used to transmit voice, data and facsimile through a single satellite transponder on the PALAPA B2 satellite.

STS, located in Hauppauge, N.Y., designs and constructs communications satellite terminals, equipment and networks for EUTELSAT, INTELSAT and domestic satellite applications, and has built and installed over 600 major earth stations worldwide.

California Microwave Inc. is a leading supplier of microwave and satellite communications systems.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - J.P. Morgan & Co. has announced the appointment of Owen H. Harper as managing director of Morgan Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, the firm's principal banking subsidiary.

Harper, 52, will be responsible for developing client relationships for J.P. Morgan's California Private Banking Group. He will provide banking, corporate finance and investment management services to clients throughout the state, dividing his time between Morgan's Los Angeles and San Francisco Private Banking offices.

''As we continue to expand our presence in California, Mr. Harper will

provide valuable support to our growing client base,'' said George W. Rowe managing director of the firm's California Private Banking Group.

Harper comes to Morgan with 30 years of wide-ranging experience in the financial services industry. He was an executive vice president with Crocker National Bank and a member of its Management Committee from 1974 until that bank was acquired in 1986.

He had a number of significant assignments at Crocker during that period, including corporate banking division head in San Francisco and senior officer in Southern California.

He began his career with Citicorp in New York in 1960. Most recently, he has been engaged in a number of consulting activities.

Harper attended Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Va., where he received a bachelor of arts degree in economics, and attended the Program for Management Development at Harvard Business School in 1969. He resides in Atherton, Calif.

J.P. Morgan & Co. Inc. provides banking and other financial services to corporations, governments, institutions and individuals throughout the world. Its activities include providing corporate finance advice and arranging financing for clients, underwriting and trading securities and managing pension and other investment funds.

In the United States, Private Banking offices are located in New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Palm Beach, Fla, and Wilmington, Del.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Ray Hutchinson, president and group general manager of BHP Petroleum (Americas) Inc. (BHPPA), announced the following management assignments, effective immediately.

John Dorrier will relocate to London as general manager Europe/Africa/Middle East. He will report to the New Ventures Division of BHP Petroleum in Melbourne.

Dorrier was vice president, Gulf Basin business unit of BHP Petroleum (Americas) since July 1989. He has been with the company since 1985.

Ed Jones will move to the post of vice president, Gulf Basin from his current position of vice president, Inland. Jones began his career with BHP Petroleum (Americas) in 1978, and headed up the Inland business unit since July 1989.

Walter Dewe assumes the post of vice president, Inland, moving from Melbourne, Australia, where he was manager of production Asia/Pacific. Dewe joined BHP Petroleum in 1984.

BHP Petroleum Pty Ltd is a division of Broken Hill Proprietary Ltd., Australia's largest firm, headquartered in Melbourne. It ranks among the world's top 15 non-government oil companies on the basis of its proven oil and gas reserves.

BHP Petroleum (Americas), based in Houston, explores and operates in 21 states in the United States, the Gulf of Mexico and in two provinces in Canada.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Investment Real Estate Trust (ASE:WIR) Tuesday announced record operating revenues and earnings for the second quarter 1990.

O.A. Talmage, chief executive officer, attributed the improved results primarily to income generated from recent community shopping center investments. Also contributing to the improved results were increases in rents from the Trust's existing real estate portfolio due to scheduled increases, consumer price index adjustments and renegotiation of leases.

The Trust declared a 36 1/2 cents per share dividend payable Sept. 15 to shareholders of record Aug. 24. This is a 1/2 cent increase over the dividend paid the previous quarter and a 2 1/2 cent or a 7 percent increase over the 34 cents paid the like quarter last year. The indicated annual dividend rate based on the Sept. 15 dividend of 36 1/2 cents is $1.46 per share.

For the quarter ended June 30, operating revenues increased to $7,855,000 as compared to $6,778,000 for the like period in 1989, a 16 percent increase. Net income before gains on sales of real estate investments rose to $4,627,000, or 29 cents per share compared to $3,094,000, or 25

cents per share for the like period in 1989, an increase on a per share basis of 16 percent.

For the quarter, depreciation and amortization expense increased to $1,377,000, or 9 cents per share. This increase of $243,000 over the like quarter last year is the result of new property acquisitions in 1989 and early 1990.

For the six month period ended June 30, operating revenues increased to $15,549,000 as compared to $13,334,000 for the like period in 1989, a 17 percent increase. Net income before gains on sales of real estate investments was $9,501,000, or 59 cents per share compared to $6,520,000, or 54 cents per share for the like period in 1989, an increase on a per share basis of 9 percent.

For the six month period ended June 30, depreciation and amortization expense increased to $2,719,000, or 17 cents per share.

Western Investment Real Estate Trust is a self-administered equity Real Estate Investment Trust based in San Francisco which has invested in properties consisting, for the most part, of community shopping centers and commercial buildings in Northern and Central California and Nevada.

Founded in 1962, the Trust has investments in 58 income producing properties including 35 supermarkets and community shopping centers.

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SANTA ANA, CA. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Effective June 30, 1990, Martin Torrez was appointed Human Resources Director of Novadyne Computer Systems Inc., reporting to President and Chief Executive Officer Bert J. Novak.

This appointment corresponds with the announcement of the founding of Novadyne (formerly McDonnell Douglas Field Service Co.) on the same date.

Torrez joined McDonnell Douglas Computer Systems Co. in 1987 as Manager of Employment and Employee Relations. For the past 18 months, Torrez led the human resources group consisting of seven, with responsibility for supporting the then-McDonnell Douglas Field Service Co. personnel requirements.

''I am very pleased to announce Martin's acceptance of this challenging role for the company,'' Novak said. ''With the many exciting cultural and strategic challenges facing the employees and my management team in the

coming months, careful management of the human resource issues will be critically important to Novadyne's future success,'' he said.

With over 12 years of experience in the human resources arena, Torrez has held human resources management positions with Allergan Pharmaceuticals, Cipher Data Products and other Orange and Los Angeles County companies. For the past three years he has co-facilitated numerous employee and manager training seminars for Novadyne employees.

''Providing an atmosphere which supports the quality, service, productivity and business goals of the company while still providing a culture which fosters creativity and excellence is the main objective of our human resources department for the 90s and beyond,'' Torrez said.

Torrez holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from California State Fullerton and has completed numerous post-graduate and professional classes since his graduation.

Torrez resides in Orange, Calif., with his wife, Vera and their two children.

Novadyne Computer Systems is one of the largest service and support organizations in the nation with over 1000 professionals in over 100 locations. Revenues in 1989 exceeded $100 million.

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   Pat Dwight, 714/566-4965

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BUFFALO, NY (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Delaware North Companies Inc. and LSG Lufthansa Service GmbH, part of Lufthansa German Airlines, said in a joint announcement Tuesday that LSG Lufthansa Service GmbH will acquire the Dairy Farm Catering Group, the Hong Kong based in-flight foodservice and general catering subsidiaries of Delaware North.

No sales price was released.

Officials of both companies said the announcement was made to end speculation that Dairy Farm, which has been hotly pursued by several companies, was still for sale. The sale is scheduled to close on Sept. 20 subject to the approval of Lufthansa's Supervisory Board and Cartel Office of the Federal Republic of Germany.

The Dairy Farm Group generates $75 million annually from airline and general catering operations in Hong Kong, the People's Republic of China, Thailand and Southern Pacific islands.

LSG Lufthansa Service GmbH was founded as a wholly owned subsidiary of Deutsche Lufthansa AG (Lufthansa German Airlines) on April 26, 1966. Since then, LSG, a caterer with worldwide operations, has developed into Europe's biggest catering company with sales totalling a good DM 800 million in 1990.

Besides in-flight catering, LSG is also active in the following areas of business: Lufthansa Party Service, airport shops, Catering Consulting (which also has a worldwide sphere of operations), airport restaurants and retailing and mail order (supplying embassies, hotels and companies throughout the world with German food).

Delaware North, a Buffalo, N.Y.-based $1 billion-plus private international holding company, purchased the Dairy Farm Catering Group in 1985.

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LSG Lufthansa Service
Wolfgang Werle, 011-49-61-02240-110.

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GREENWICH, CT (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Fund American Cos. Inc. (NYSE:FFC) Tuesday reported revised revenues and income from its continuing operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

Since the revision was a reclassification between income from continuing operations and income from discontinued operations, net income was not affected. The revision also did not affect any results previously reported for the three months ended June 30, 1990.

Due to a computational error, the Company's preliminary financial results, released on August 2, 1990, understated realized investment gains from continuing operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990, by $12 million. As a result of the revision to revenues, income from continuing operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990, originally reported as $59 million, has been revised to $68 million.

Offsetting the upward revision, income from discontinued operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990, originally reported as $48 million, has been revised to $40 million. Amounts are shown below.

Six Months Ended June 30, 1990
(in thousands, except per share amounts)
previously

caption	reported amounts	revised amounts
realized investment gains (continuing operations)	$ 43,349	$ 55,831
total revenues (continuing operations)	189,737	202,219
income from continuing operations	59,499	67,737
income from discontinued operations	48,371	40,133
primary earnings per share from continuing operations	1.10	1.30
fully diluted earnings per share fron continuing operations	1.13	1.29
primary net income per share	2.25	2.25
fully diluted net income per share	2.05	2.05

CONTACT: Fund American Companies, Greenwich
Bob Riordan, 414/899-2117.

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Questar Corp.'s (NYSE:STR) board of directors Tuesday approved a 1-cent-per-share increase in the company's quarterly common stock dividend to 49 cents per share.

The dividend -- 2-cents-per-share higher than a year earlier -- is payable Sept. 10 to shareholders of record on Aug. 17.

The board of directors of Questar subsidiary Mountain Fuel Supply Co. approved dividends of $2 on that company's 8 percent series and $2.15625 on the $8.625 series of preferred stock. The dividends will be paid Oct. 1 to holders of record on Sept. 7.

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R. Curtis Burnett, 801/534-5541or 801/942-5171 (Home)

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DENVER (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Gold Corp. (NASDAQ:USGL) Tuesday reported that net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $10.1 million, or 21 cents per share, including an extraordinary credit from the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards of $3.1 million, on revenues of $2.2 million.

This compares to net income of $1.2 million, or 3 cents per share, on revenues of $7.7 million for the comparable period of 1989. The 1990 results included an $11 million gain on the sale of the company's 40 percent interest in the Hayden Hill property in the first quarter.

The company also reported a net loss of $847,000, or 1 cent per share, including a $567,000 downward adjustment of an extraordinary credit, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, on revenues of $867,000. This compares to net income of $728,000, or 2 cents per share, on revenues of $4.17 million for the same three-month period of 1989.

The extraordinary item relates to an adjustment of utilization of net loss carryforwards to reflect projected income taxes for 1990.

The company is proceeding with previously announced negotiations with a major mining company for the possible joint venture of its Tonkin Springs property in Eureka County, Nev.

That mine has been put on stand-by status pending the results of these negotiations. The company is also attempting to restructure its debt obligations by postponing repayment requirements, modifying security provisions and, where possible, reducing outstanding claims against the company by exchanging debt for common stock.

The company is dependent upon completing these negotiations to continue its current business activities.

U.S. Gold Corp. is a Denver-based gold mining company with producing mines in Nevada and gold properties in other Western states. The company is listed on the NASDAQ National Market.

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DENVER (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - CoCa Mines Inc. earned $586,100, or five cents per share, on revenues of $5,262,100 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $399,700, or four cents per share, on revenues of $6,417,800 for the same period last year.

The company's 1990 second quarter earnings includes a pre-tax gain of $750,000 from the sale of its interest in the Luning project in Nevada.

For the first six months of 1990, CoCa Mines reported net income of $1,384,800, or 11 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $304,900, or three cents per share, for the same period last year.

Second quarter production of gold at the company's 74 percent-owned Shumake and Middle Buttes mines declined from 15,800 ounces in 1989 to 13,500 ounces in 1990. Middle Buttes was fully mined in December 1989

causing a reduction in production to 1,700 ounces in 1990 compared to 3,400 ounces in 1989.

The average gold price realized by the company was $390 compared to a spot price of $365. Direct operating cost declined from $246 to $193 per ounce. CoCa Mines continues to forecast 1990 production at 53,000 ounces.

CoCa Mines Inc. is a North American gold producer. Its shares are listed on the NASDAQ (COCA) and Toronto Stock Exchange (CMI).

CoCa Mines Inc.
Financial Summary

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenue	$5,262,100	$6,417,800	$12,525,000	$10,530,600
Net income (loss)	586,100	(399,700)	1,384,800	(304,800)
Net income (loss) per share	$ .05	$ (.04)	$ .11	$ (.03)
Shares outstanding	12,605,300	12,523,400	12,605,300	12,523,400

CONTACT: CoCa Mines Inc., Denver
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Tom Congdon, 303/861-5400.

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WARREN, OHIO (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Second Bancorp Inc., headquartered in Warren, announced termination of a subscription agreement to acquire Peoples Federal Savings and Loan Association of New Kensington, Pa.

Financial and regulatory aspects of consummating the transaction have significantly increased since the agreement was first signed. The overall uncertainty of market conditions and these increased financial and regulatory burdens make it difficult and not feasible to finance the proposed acquisition through an underwriting of a public offering of stock.

Alan G. Brant, chairman and president of Second Bancorp Inc., said: ''Our board is extremely disappointed that we are not able to proceed with this acquisition, as a lot of effort was put forth by both institutions in order to accomplish an Ohio/Pennsylvania corporate partnership. We look forward to other opportunities that meet our strategic objectives and that will enhance profitable growth for our company and shareholders.''

CONTACT: Second Bancorp Inc., Warren
Thomas C. DeRoss, 216/841-0234

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Bank of California Tuesday said it named John C. Kaufman, 35, to the position of public relations manager in Los Angeles for its Southern California region.

Kaufman joined the San Francisco-based company after serving two years as chief media spokesman for California Federal Bank in Los Angeles. Prior to that, from 1979 to 1988, he served in various public relations capacities including a tenure as principal spokesman for the American Forest Council, a Washington, D.C.-based forest products industry trade association, and public relations manager for Contel Corp., an Atlanta-based telecommunications company.

Kaufman, a 1979 journalism graduate of Boston University's School of Public Communications and current member of the school's Advisory Council, is a member of the Public Relations Society of America, including its Los Angeles and Washington D.C. chapters, and the Los Angeles Publicity Club.

The Bank of California, the first incorporated banking institution in the West, is the state's sixth-largest bank with $8.4 billion in assets. It operates 50 offices in California, Oregon and Washington, and 14 international offices.

CONTACT: The Bank of California, San Francisco
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MADISON, WI (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - LUNAR Corp. today announced it has commenced its initial public offering for 1,250,000 shares of common stock at $12.00 per share.

The registration statement covering the initial public offering was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission at 10:30 a.m. EST on Aug. 14, and the shares of common stock will trade in the NASDAQ National Market under the trading symbol ''LUNR.'' Of the 1,250,000 shares of common stock offered, 1,000,000 shares are being sold by the company and 250,000 by shareholders. Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc.; Volpe, Welty & Co.; and Robert W. Baird & Co. Inc., manage the underwriting syndicate.

Net proceeds to LUNAR will be used to repay long-term debt and will be used for working capital for general corporate purposes.

LUNAR develops products for the diagnosis, monitoring and treatment of

osteoporosis and other metabolic bone diseases. The company develops and sells bone densitometers, which are specialized scanning systems used to aid in the diagnosis of bone disease by measuring the density of bone. The company is developing a drug for the treatment of osteoporosis and is currently conducting a Phase I clinical trial on osteoporotic patients.

LUNAR's founder and President, Dr. Richard B. Mazess, together with other researchers at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, pioneered the development of the first commercial bone densitometer in 1972. From its inception through May 31, 1990, the company shipped approximately 1,300 bone densitometers worldwide including approximately 425 of its advanced DPX dual-energy x-ray systems, introduced in June 1988. The DPX product line is sold to leading medical institutions, hospitals, pharmaceutical companies active in the field of bone mineral metabolism, and radiological and other specialty group practices.

LUNAR's DPX and its enhanced version, the DPX-L, introduced in March 1990, perform conventional spine or femur scans, lateral spine scans, and total body scans. The DPX provides users with high precision, rapid scan times, and low operating costs. Existing DPX users can upgrade readily to the DPX-L by adding software and making minor hardware changes. The DPX-L reduces scan times without loss of precision.

In the area of osteoporosis treatment, LUNAR is developing a Vitamin D compound, 1-alpha-hydroxyvitamin D2 (''one-alpha D2''). Clinical studies have shown that dosages of two Vitamin D3 compounds, 1a, 25-D3 and 1-alpha-hydroxyvitamin D3 (''one-alpha D3''), act directly on bone cells to stimulate bone formation, increase bone mineral content, and decrease bone fracture rates. Since these Vitamin D3 compounds and one-alpha D2 have comparable metabolic activity, as shown by animal studies, the company believes one-alpha D2 may similarly stimulate bone formation, increase bone mineral content, and decrease bone fracture rates. While the two drugs (estrogen replacement therapy and injectable calcitonin) currently approved for use in the United States to treat osteoporosis may prevent further bone loss, they do not stimulate bone formation.

One-alpha D2 was invented by Dr. Hector DeLuca, a recognized leader in Vitamin D research at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and is licensed exclusively to the company. The company has conducted Phase I toxicity studies in humans which have shown that one-alpha D2 is non-toxic at dosage levels which the company believes may prove therapeutic. In addition, animal studies have shown that one-alpha D2 has lower toxicity and similar metabolic activity as compared to one-alpha D3, which is widely used in Japan for the treatment of osteoporosis. The company is currently conducting a Phase I clinical trial on a target group of 60 osteoporotic women, and expects to complete this double-blind placebo-controlled trial by mid-1991.

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Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc., New York
Carl Doerge, 212/698-6000

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - LIVE Entertainment Inc. (NYSE:LVE) announced Tuesday results for the three months ended June 30, 1990, which showed gains in revenues, net income, and earnings per-share over the results of 1989's second period.

Revenues for the second quarter of 1990 were $144,540,000, a 76 percent increase over the $82,211,000 for 1989. Operating profit of $12,515,000 also showed a 76 percent increase over 1989's $7,106,000. Pre-tax income of $4,076,000 was 59 percent higher than a year ago.

A higher effective tax rate in 1990 resulted in net income of $2,088,000 in this year's second quarter, 37 percent above the comparable 1989 figure of $1,525,000. Earnings per primary share were 17 cents, compared with 13 cents per share for 1989's second quarter.

Results for the 1990's second quarter include the operations of Navarre Corp., a distributor and rackjobber of personal computer software, and Waxie Maxie, a 33-store specialty retailing music and video chain located in the Washington D.C. area. Both companies were acquired by LIVE in the first quarter of 1990.

For the first six months of 1990, revenues of $292,794,000 were nearly double 1989's comparable figure of $156,830,000; operating profit of $23,677,000 was 86 percent higher than a year ago; and pre-tax income of $7,731,000 was 46 percent higher than in 1989's first half. Net income attributable to common stock of $3,907,000 was 44 percent above the comparable 1989 figure, and earnings per primary share of 32 cents were 28 percent higher than the 25 cents earned in the first six months of 1989.

Wayne H. Patterson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of LIVE, stated: ''Our results for the second quarter reflected several divergent trends.

As previously announced on July 27, 1990, LIVE Home Video entered into a $100 million revolving credit agreement with a group of banks headed by Credit Lyonnais Bank Nederland and Chemical Bank. This facility replaces a previous $50 million credit line and gives LIVE Home Video more than sufficient working capital flexibility to continue to expand its share of the home video industry as opportunities present themselves.

LIVE Entertainment is a diversified entertainment software supplier, distributor and retailer, with headquarters in Los Angeles. LIVE is the parent company of L.A.-based LIVE Home Video, one of the nation's leading suppliers of home video; Minneapolis-based Lieberman Enterprises, one of the country's largest rackjobbers of video, music and personal computer software; the 141-store LIVE Specialty Retail Group, with headquarters in Milford, Massachusetts, which includes Strawberries Records, Tapes & CDs, the leading specialty music retail chain in the New England area, with a significant presence in Upstate New York and the Greater Philadelphia area and the Waxie Maxie music chain in Maryland and Virginia; and indirect subsidiary VCL/Carolco Communications GmbH, a home video distributor based in Munich, Germany. Carolco Pictures Inc. (NYSE:CRC) owns a 48 percent voting interest in LIVE.

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Vicki D. Greenleaf, 818/778-3260.

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TUSTIN, Calif. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Sheldon Razin, chairman of the board of Quality Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:QSII) (''QSI''), Tustin-based provider of computerized management systems to the healthcare industry, announces the naming of S. Z. Rubenstein as the company's president.

Since joining the company in January 1990, Rubenstein had served as the company's chief operating officer. In this capacity, Rubenstein played an integral role in overseeing the daily operation of the company while also successfully initiating and implementing key growth strategies for QSI. This role will be significantly expanded in Rubenstein's capacity as president.

Rubenstein's previous management experience includes nearly 30 year of increasingly significant leadership positions within Rockwell International. Rubenstein served as president for three of Rockwell's corporate divisions, including the Space Transportation Systems Division, where he was a principal designer, chief engineer, and program manager for the space shuttle.

Razin, the company's founder, chairman of the board, and chief executive officer, will remain in an overall leadership position of the company. He will now take a more active role in long-term strategic planning and business development for QSI. The company believes that Razin and Rubenstein form a complimentary, experienced leadership team for QSI.

On August 10, 1990, the company announced a profitable 42.5 percent increase in revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 as compared with

the first quarter of the previous year. The company believes that this management strengthening further solidifies the company's position for future growth.

Quality Systems is engaged in the sale of computerized information processing systems to medical and dental group practices.

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LAS VEGAS (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwest Gas Corp. (NYSE:SWX) reported a second quarter loss of 33 cents per share, compared to zero earnings per share for the same quarter a year ago, according to George C. Biehl, senior vice president and chief financial officer.

The company's second quarter 1990 loss applicable to common stock was a deficit $6,463,000 compared to a deficit $61,000 in the second quarter of 1989.

Consolidated net loss for the quarter was $6,057,000, down from net income of $388,000 for the same period in 1989. The gas segment's contribution to the consolidated total was a deficit $8,491,000 during the current quarter, compared to a deficit of $3,059,000 recorded in the second quarter of 1989. Biehl attributed the drop in earnings from gas operations partially to increases in operations and maintenance expenses that resulted principally from cost increases associated with providing service to the company's rapidly increasing customer base.

Also contributing to the decrease in gas operations' earnings, according to Biehl, were increased depreciation expense and general taxes relating to natural gas pipe replacement programs in Arizona, expansion of company facilities to accomodate continued customer growth throughout its system, and the upgrading of existing operating facilities.

Net earnings from the company's financial services subsidiary, PriMerit Bank, also decreased from $4,483,000 in the second quarter of 1989 (contributing $3,447,000 to consolidated net income after deducting tax-effected carrying costs associated with its acquisition by Southwest Gas) to $3,395,000 in the second quarter of 1990 (contributing $2,434,000 to consolidated net income after deducting tax-effected carrying costs).

Consolidated operating revenues for the second quarter of 1990 were $171,744,000 down from $183,378,000 for the same quarter a year ago. Average outstanding common shares increased to 19,525,000 during the second quarter 1990 from 18,929,000 in 1989.

Southwest Gas is a diversified natural gas and financial services organization. It provides natural gas to approximately 800,000 customers in Nevada, Arizona and California. In addition, it provides gas for resale to almost 100,000 customers of Sierra Pacific Power Co. and CP National Corp.

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Dante Pistone, 702/876-7253.

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FRESNO, CA. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - WestAir Holding Inc. (ASE:WAH), which operates as United Express and is the largest regional airline in the nation, Tuesday announced that it has signed a purchase option to acquire up to 60 Embraer EMB-145 jet aircraft.

The preliminary agreement between WestAir Holding and the Brazilian aircraft manufacturer is valued at approximately $700 million with the first delivery anticipated during the fourth quarter of 1993. The transaction is subject to the airline signing a formal purchase agreement in 1992.

''As we look at our fleet requirements for the mid-1990's and beyond, we believe the EMB-145 has many characteristics -- including its size and speed -- that could well serve new and existing missions on our route network,'' said Timothy P. Flynn, chairman of WestAir Holding.

The EMB-145 is one of the new genre of ''regional jets'' that Flynn said could be successfully utilized on his company's longer, ''thin'' routes. The aircraft design features 45-48 passenger seats and wing-mounted twin jet engines. Flynn said the aircraft is being designed to cruise at approximately 500 mph and have a range of about 1,150 statute miles.

Powered by high-bypass Allison GMA 3007A engines, the EMB-145 will satisfy the FAA's Stage 3 requirements for operating at noise sensitive airports, Flynn said. The size of the aircraft will also provide advantages at airports that have aircraft seating-capacity restrictions, he said.

WestAir Holding's airlines currently fly 90-seat British Aerospace BAe-146s, 36-seat Shorts 360s, 30-seat Embraer Brasilias, 19-seat Embraer Bandeirantes and 19-seat British Aerospace Jetstream 31s. The company is retiring its Bandeirantes and Shorts 360 aircraft as it takes delivery of new Jetstreams and Brasilias it has on order.

WestAir Holding Inc. operates through two wholly owned subsidiaries and one operating division -- WestAir/United Express, NPA/United Express and Atlantic Coast Airlines/United Express.

The company operates over 850 daily flights and serves 60 cities in the west and along the east coast utilizing both jet and turbo-prop aircraft.

The company's major hubs are Los Angeles, San Francisco, Fresno, Sacramento, Calif., Portland, Ore., Seattle and Washington.

WestAir Holding Inc. is headquartered in Fresno.

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Mark Peterson, 209/294-6924

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Materials, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:AMAT) reported record net sales of $144.2 million for the three months ended July 29, 1990, which resulted in net income of $9.5 million, or $.55 per share.

These results compare to net sales of $130.2 million, with net income of $12.5 million, or $.74 per share, for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine-month period ending July 29, 1990, net sales were $426.1 million with net income of $31.1 million or $1.82 per share.

This compares to net sales of $359.7 million and net income of $39.9 million, or $2.39 per share, for the same three-quarter period in 1989. Backlog rose to a record $227.3 million, compared to $177.2 million at the end of third quarter of 1989 and $209.6 million at the end of second quarter of 1990.

''Revenue growth was fueled by continued demand for the company's leading technology semiconductor wafer processing systems, particularly products aimed at the markets of chemical vapor and physical vapor deposition,'' said James C. Morgan, chairman and chief executive officer. ''Our existing products have done quite well this year in a relatively flat market. The strong acceptance of our latest products has allowed us to continue our growth.

''Shipments within the quarter of tungsten CVD and our recently introduced PVD systems added to our already strong revenue base in dry plasma etch and dielectric CVD.''

Net income was down versus both the prior quarter and the prior year due to increased operating expenses. The company's research and development expenditures increased by $2.6 million over the second quarter to $25.3 million due principally to increased activity in the Applied Conductor Technologies Division.

Applied Materials, Inc. is a global growth company and the leading independent producer of wafer fabrication systems for the worldwide semiconductor industry. It is a market leader in chemical vapor deposition (CVD), dry plasma etching and silicon deposition.

The company is also a leading manufacturer of ion implantation systems, and recently launched its entry into the physical vapor deposition market (PVD). The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''AMAT.''

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Nelson Entertainment (''Nelson'' or ''the company'') announced Tuesday that, following a presentation of the company's proposed activities through 1992, Credit Lyonnais Bank Nederland had expanded Nelson's current banking facility by $20 million from $60 million to $80 million.

Commenting on this development, Richard Northcott, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated, ''In light of recent negative and speculative media coverage on Nelson, we are very pleased to announce this $20 million expansion to our credit facility.

''The increase of our overall facility to $80 million represents the full amount requested by the company and we appreciate this vote of confidence from Credit Lyonnais.''

NHI Nelson Holdings International Ltd. (ASE/ToSE/VcSE:NNH) is the holding company for the Nelson Entertainment Group and for 69 percent-owned Nelson Vending Technology Limited.

CONTACT: Nelson Entertainment, Beverly Hills
Peter Graves, 213/285-6150.

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STOCKTON, CA. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Stockton Savings Bank has signed an agreement with California Federal Bank to purchase the California Federal Bank branch at 3013 McHenry Ave., Modesto.

The transaction is subject to regulatory approval.

Pending approval, the branch will continue to operate as California Federal Bank until November. At that time, all accounts will be transferred to Stockton Savings Bank. There will be no interruption in the service of accounts. Interest rates and maturity dates for termed deposits will remain the same.

''Stockton Savings Bank is excited to have this opportunity to expand its retail banking network in Modesto,'' said David K. Rea, chairman of the board and president.

Stockton Savings Bank offers a full range of financial services at 23 branches located throughout the Central San Joaquin Valley and Sierra Foothills.

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or
California Federal Bank
Rhanda Dunn, 213/932-2283

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PHOENIX (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Bankruptcy Court Judge Robert Mooreman has confirmed the plan of reorganization submitted by Scottsdale, Ariz.-based Kroy Inc. and one of its European subsidiaries.

Kroy was sold in 1986 to a management group and an employee stock ownership plan, or ESOP, in a highly leveraged transaction commonly referred to as a leveraged buyout. As with many other LBOs structured in the 1980s, Kroy was unable to repay the substantial debt incurred in the LBO, which in this case was more than $60 million.

Kroy, an international manufacturer and distributor of labeling, lettering and printing products and signs, and its European subsidiary Kroy Europe filed for reorganization May 15 under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code. Judge Mooreman, sitting in Phoenix, confirmed the reorganization plan Aug. 10.

The confirmed plan discharges more than $1.9 billion in liabilities and provides for significant infusion of new working capital by Minneapolis-based Red Oak Investment Corp.

''Confirmation of the plan of reorganization is one of the final steps to Kroy's successful recovery,'' said Kroy President Howard Klemmer. ''It provides sufficient working capital to enable Kroy to continue to expand its operation and products, and it preserves the jobs of our nearly 300

employees.''

While Kroy's headquarters are in Scottsdale, it also has manufacturing facilities in Osceola and St. Croix, Wis.

According to Klemmer, a turnaround specialist hired by Kroy in October, the special prepackaged Chapter 11 filing, which included the reorganization plan, allowed the company to proceed through the bankruptcy process with no disruption in services to its customers.

Thomas Salerno, one of Kroy's bankruptcy attorneys, said: ''From a litigation and negotiation standpoint, the prepackaged bankruptcy gave Kroy some advantage in dealing with its recalcitrant creditors. Bankruptcy is ultimately a negotiation process,and the prepackaged bankruptcy really helps to level the playing field.''

The plan of reorganization was supported by virtually every significant creditor of Kroy. From the time of the Chapter 11 filing to Friday's plan confirmation, just 88 days had elapsed.

During the confirmation hearing, another Kroy bankruptcy attorney, Craig Hansen, announced that the company had reached a settlement with the U.S. Department of Labor and Valley National Bank of Arizona (trustee of the ESOP) in the Labor Department's $35.5 million lawsuit against Kroy. As part of the settlement, the Labor Department has agreed to dismiss Kroy from the lawsuit.

The settlement, according to Hansen, is the result of a cooperative effort of the ESOP, the Labor Department and Kroy to ensure the viability of Kroy.

CONTACT: Kroy Inc., Scottsdale
Suellyn McMillan, 602/948-2222

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BOISE, ID (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Club Wholesale's board of directors Tuesday announced it will redirect the company's efforts into the office supply side of its business.

As a result, Club Wholesale will close its general merchandise warehouses to recapitalize the company, allowing it to open additional office supply superstore outlets.

At present, Club Wholesale has two office supply superstores in Boise; and Yakima, Wash. The outlets stock more than 3,000 different items. Shoppers can order more than 20,000 additional items through the company's catalog.

In addition to stocking a full line of office staples, Club Wholesale Office Supply carries computer systems, telephones, facsimile machines, calculators, typewriters, office furniture, overhead projectors, televisions, VCRs, cash registers, paper shredders, lights and best-selling business books.

Roark said the company is price-driven, providing shoppers with as much as 70 percent savings on merchandise, based on manufacturers' suggested retail prices. ''Club Wholesale will not be undersold,'' Roark said. ''We guarantee the lowest prices in our markets.''

Furthermore, he said the company is service oriented, offering customers the ability to place orders via telephone and FAX machines. The store even gives customers free coffee while they shop. Roark said the company also delivers orders, and its on-site business service centers provide customers with such services as photocopying, faxing, engraving and custom rubber stamp making.

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Phil Roark, 208/384-1947

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Basic Earth Science Systems Inc. incurred a net loss of $27,000, less than one cent per share, on oil and gas sales of $423,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, Basic's first fiscal quarter, compared to net income of $32,000, less than one cent per share, on revenue of $451,000 for the comparable 1989 quarter, announced G. W. Breuer, president.

The decrease in oil and gas sales, and subsequent net loss, in the 1990 quarter can be attributed to normal production decline from 20,965 barrels in the 1989 quarter to 19,540 barrels in 1990 together with a decrease in the average price per barrel from $17.66 in 1989 to $16.12 in 1990.

Basic is an oil and gas exploration and production company with primary operations in south Texas and the Williston and Denver-Julesburg basins in the Rocky Mountain Region.

Basic is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol BSIC.

BASIC EARTH SCIENCE SYSTEMS INC.
Financial Highlights
Quarter Ending

	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenue	$423,000	$451,000

Net income (loss)	(27,000)	32,000
Earnings (loss) per share	(.002)	.002
Weighted average no. of shares outstanding	15,384,655	14,756,271

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G.W. Breuer, 303/792-5230

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MARKHAM, ONTARIO (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - SSMC Inc. Tuesday announced the financial results for the six months period ended June 30, 1990.

Revenue for the first half was US$295.4 million, compared with US$278.0 million for the like period last year, representing a 6.3 percent increase.

Operating income was US$25.6 million, compared with US$21.3 million. Net income improved dramatically to US$16.9 million, compared with a net loss of US$45.6 million for the like period last year.

SSMC Inc. is the leading manufacturer of consumer sewing machines worldwide and also distributes industrial sewing machines and consumer durable goods. Its principle executive offices are located in Hong Kong.

The common stock of SSMC Inc. is owned by Semi-Tech Microelectronics (Far East) Ltd. (STM-FE), a Hong Kong-based company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, symbol 448.

STM-FE is a subsidiary of International Semi-Tech Microelectronics Inc. (ToSE:ISE.).

SSMC INC.
Financial Results

	3 Months		6 Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	150.0	139.7	295.4	278.0
Operating Income	14.8	11.6	25.6	21.3
Income from Continuing Operations	11.5	(18.9)	16.9	(18.6)
Net Income	11.5	(43.7)	16.9	(45.6)

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Michael List, 416/475-2670, Ext. 227

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SAN RAFAEL, CA. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Valley Forge Corp. (AMEX:VF) reports June 30, earnings and declares regular dividend.

Valley Forge Corp. reports net income of $1,060,000, or 60 cents per share and $1,776,000, or $1.00 per share for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, respectivley. The board of directors declared a regular dividend of 7 1/2 cents per share payable Sept. 18, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: Valley Forge Corp., San Rafael
D.R. Brining, 415/492-1500

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MELVILLE, NY (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - AVIATION EDUCATION SYSTEMS INC. (NASDAQ: AES.X) announced Tuesday that it has acquired all of the outstanding common stock of BARTON ATC Inc., a prominent private air traffic control company, in consideration for $1 million in cash and the issuance of 1.5 million shares of AES common stock.

BARTON's assets are estimated at $3.7 million with liabilities of approximately $250,000. BARTON's revenues for the first five months of 1990 were $941,000. The acquisition adds a much needed asset and revenue base to AES and is the first major step in AES's expansion in the highly lucrative private air traffic control industry.

The capabilities, experience and reputation of BARTON ATC Inc., combined with the resources, commitment and global capability of AES, now places AES in a far stronger position to meet the growing demands for air traffic control and educational services in private sector support of governmental operations, not only in the United States but throughout the world. BARTON ATC Inc. is currently involved in a wide variety of international projects, including the building of air traffic control simulators, towers and weather stations for service both in the United States and internationally.

AES also announced Tuesday that it has entered into an agreement to sell 2,687,500 shares of its common stock to Commcept Ltd., a Swiss corporation at a price of 65 cents per share. As of Aug. 13, 1990, 1.5 million shares had been sold pursuant to this agreement and the company anticipates that the balance of the shares will be sold by Aug. 23, 1990. The subscription agreement provides Commcept with registration rights for its shares.

CONTACT: AVIATION EDUCATION SYSTEMS INC., Melville
Sal Borzi, 516/293-5400

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LAS VEGAS (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Dunes Hotels and Casinos Inc. (the ''company'') Tuesday announced that its current assets exceeded its current liabilities by $6,653,000 at June 30, 1990.

The company's current assets decreased $6,027,000, principally as a result of investments in real property, and current liabilities decreased $2,166,000 for the period ended June 30, 1990 over the year ended Dec. 31, 1989.

The company's shareholders' equity increased $387,000 from Dec. 31, 1989 to June 30, 1990. The company's announcement is based upon information contained in its quarterly report on form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The company also announced that it settled disputes with Nevada Gaming Authorities regarding compliance with various Nevada gaming rules and regulations for the period Oct. 1, 1980 through Aug. 31, 1983 and Sept. 1, 1983 through Nov. 30, 1985, and the company's claim for refund of pre-paid gaming taxes for the period ended June 30, 1988.

In settlement of all such disputes and claims, the company paid the Nevada Gaming Commission approximately $452,000.

The company further announced that a jury in Clark County, Nev., returned an $8.7 million verdict in an eminent domain action, originally filed in 1983 by the State of Nevada, to condemn certain unimproved land owned by the company in Las Vegas.

The verdict includes approximately $2.4 million received by the company at the commencement of the action. The funds have not been paid to the company, and the state's appeal rights have not been waived or exhausted.

At a result, the company has not treated the verdict in the financial statements for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

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Anthony A. Zmaila, 702/737-7474

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WALNUT CREEK, CA. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Longs Drug Stores Corporation today announced an 11 percent increase in sales and a 3 percent increase in net income for the second quarter ended July 26, 1990, the declaration of a 26 cent quarterly dividend, and the appointment of two officers.

Unaudited sales for the second quarter were $558,687,000, as compared to $503,365,000 reported for last year. Sales for the two quarters ended July 26, 1990, increased 10 percent to $1,096,113,000 from $996,180,000 reported for the like period last year.

Unaudited net income for the second quarter was $15,660,000, or 77 cents per share, as compared to $15,248,000, or 74 cents per share, reported for last year. Net income for the two quarters ended July 26, 1990, increased 3 percent to $30,461,000, or $1.50 per share, as compared to $29,680,000, or $1.45 per share, reported for the like period last year.

The Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of 26 cents per share of Common Stock to holders of record at the close of business August 28, 1990, payable October 2, 1990.

The Board also announced the appointments of Richard A. Collins and James D. Sweeney to the position of Vice President-District Manager. Collins joined the Company in 1962 and Sweeney has been with Longs since 1973. Both moved up through the ranks in store management to positions of District Manager, which they both achieved in 1988.

Longs now operates 253 stores in California, Hawaii, Alaska, Arizona, Nevada and Colorado. Three new stores were opened during the quarter. Currently the Company has 11 stores under construction and anticipates opening eight more stores before the end of the fiscal year.

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Bill Combs, 415/944-6726

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - B+H Maritime Carriers Ltd. (ASE:BHM) reported Tuesday operating results for the three- and six-months periods ended June 30.

The shipping company also announced that its board of directors had declared a dividend of 15 cents per share, payable Sept. 7 to shareholders of record as of Aug. 24.

For the second quarter of 1990, B+H Maritime Carriers reported net income of $729,000, or 24 cents per share, on revenues of $6,392,000, from the operation of five bulkcarriers and five product tankers, compared to net income of $753,000, or 24 cents per share, on revenues of $4,043,000, in the prior year's second quarter, during which four vessels were delivered, bringing the company's total fleet at June 30, 1989 to five bulkcarriers and four product tankers.

The decline in net income in the second 1990 quarter as compared to the like 1989 quarter is primarily attributable to an increase in vessel operating expense for the company's full fleet of vessels and to a substantial increase in the purchase of spare parts for three vessels. This year's revenues also reflect an approximate 8.5 percent decline in COTCO charter rates which was partly offset by an increase in on-hire days and an approximate 19.5 percent rise in PROTRANS charter rates.

In the 1990 six-month period, net income was $1,697,000, or 55 cents per share, on revenue of $12,617,000, compared to net income of $967,000, or 38 cents per share, on revenues of $5,618,000, in last year's six-month period.

The 1989 six-month results reflect the commencement of the company's operations on Feb. 3, 1989, when the company acquired its first vessel.

The company did not drydock any vessels during the second 1990 quarter. However, over the balance of 1990, three vessels are scheduled to be drydocked, one in the third quarter and two in the fourth quarter.

CONTACT: The Foristall Company Inc.
Thomas F. Curtin, 212/797-4646

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - B+H Bulk Carriers Ltd. (NASDAQ:BULKF) reported operating results for the 1990 second quarter and first half-year 1990.

The company also disclosed that the board of directors had elected not to pay a quarterly dividend covering the recent three-month period. The shipping company has paid quarterly dividends since January 1988.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, the company incurred a net loss of $658,000, or 32 cents per share, on revenues of $2,707,000, compared with net income of $9,266,000, or $4.54 a share, on revenues of $11,942,000.

In the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company incurred a net loss of $985,000, or 48 cents per share, on revenues of $5,275,000, compared with net income of $10,640,000, or $5.21 per share, on revenues of $16,294,000. Revenues in 1989 include a $8,519,000, gain on the sale of two vessels.

Apart from the impact of this gain, the decline in the results of the company in the second 1990 quarter compared with the same period a year ago reflects primarily (1) a loss of revenue from substantially more off-hire days (2) an approximate 8.5 percent decline in COTCO charter

rates, and (3) an increase in operating expenses, mainly attributable to an increase in drydocking costs and a significant increase in repair and spare parts costs incurred for two vessels.

The company expects to drydock one more vessel before year end in the third quarter.

Mr. Hudner indicated, ''We view upgrading of the vessels as an important investment in the future as it will prolong the life of our ships and improve shareholder returns.''

The company operates seven hand-size dry bulkcarriers.

CONTACT: The Foristall Company Inc., New York
Thomas F. Curtin, 212/797-4646

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Dexx Energy Corp. (the ''company'') wishes to announce the granting of Directors and Employees Stock Options entitling the holders thereof the right to acquire 536,666 common shares of capital stock to the company at an exercise price of $0.45 per share.

The options are exercisable for a term of two years commencing Aug. 10, 1990, subject to regulatory authority and shareholder approval.

The Regulatory Authorities having jurisdiction over the company have neither approved nor disapproved the information contained herein.

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David Young, 403/247-3011

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SEATTLE (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Horizon Air Tuesday issued the following statement:

We are extremely disappointed and perplexed that on Aug. 13, 1990, Judge Marsh issued an order finding that Horizon had not made reasonable efforts to reach and maintain an agreement with the Association of Flight Attendants (AFA), the union representing the company's flight attendants.

As we have maintained all along, AFA's insistence on ''major airline'' concepts and union security has been the greatest roadblock to progress in achieving a first labor agreement covering our flight attendants. Horizon

has consistently maintained a position of providing wages and working conditions which are competitive with those provided by our regional airline competitors. That Judge Marsh would construe the negotiation process that resulted from the parties beginning so far apart as bad faith negotiating is unfounded and we believe to be legally incorrect. We have directed that an appeal be filed with the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco.

In the meantime, we will reiterate to the National Mediation Board (NMB) that Horizon stands prepared to negotiate. The NMB has been very helpful in bringing an understanding to the table about the realities of the regional airline industry, and instrumental in helping achieve agreement on the majority of sections of the proposed contract. At this point tentative agreement has been reached on 18 of the 25 major sections of the contract. Unfortunately, AFA's demand for issues involving union security still appear to be the major impediment to achieving a contract.

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Nancy Hamilton, 206/431-4672

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FOSTER CITY, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Blyth Software announced Tuesday its selection as a Microsoft SQL Business Partner.

Blyth, developer of the best-selling Omnis development environments for both Windows 3.0 and Macintosh desktops, is distinguished among its 150,000 current customers by its commitment to user training, and will be bundling Microsoft SQL Server and the complete Macintosh/PC Omnis development software with a one-week training course in SQL application development.

''Together, SQL Server and Omnis 5 offer a powerful development platform for client-server applications that take full advantage of the rich Windows 3.0 graphical environment. Training from Blyth creates an excellent opportunity for users to get started with graphical client-server applications,'' said Dwayne Walker, SQL Server product manager at Microsoft Corp.

''The same Omnis applications run without modification or recoding on Macintoshes, under Windows 3.0 and, soon, the OS/2 presentation manager,'' said A. Brean Murray, Blyth president and chief executive officer.

''There is now an incentive to bring large system applications to the desktop, to relieve minis and mainframes of data validation and presentation overhead.

''In other words, servers can now dish up massive amounts of data, leaving applications development and execution to less expensive (on a dollar-per-MIPS basis) desktop platforms.''

Murray concluded with one of the many Omnis technological innovations: ''Omnis customers such as Walt Disney Productions and U.S. Sprint have taken advantage of the rich Omnis bit-mapped graphics capability and the SQL LONG VARCHARACTER data type to store graphical objects in mainframe and minicomputer SQL databases. We feel this graphical technology, along with our commitment to training, will greatly strengthen our relationship with Microsoft.''

Added Walker, ''We think everyone from real estate companies to wholesale suppliers will be displaying pictures and even animation using SQL Server and Omnis.''

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EL PASO, TX (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Tony Lama Company Inc. (NASDAQ:TLAM) Tuesday announced the results of operations for the three-month and six-month periods ended June 30.

Net sales for the three-month period ended June 30 were $16,035,000 compared with $16,080,000 for the comparable period of 1989. Net loss for the second quarter of 1990 was $901,000, or 47 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $130,000, or 7 cents per share, for the comparable period of 1989.

For the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, net loss was $1,977,000, or $1.02 per share, on net sales of $29,211,000 compared with a net loss of $191,000, or 10 cents per share, on net sales of $34,043,000 for the like period last year.

The loss for the second quarter of 1990 as compared with the like period in 1989 primarily resulted from a decrease in gross margins because of increased product costs due to workers' compensation insurance and material costs and an increase in selling expenses in advertising, salaries and operating eight additional retail stores.

Partially offsetting these expense increases was a decrease of 13 percent in general and administrative expenses resulting from substantial payroll cuts.

The loss for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, as compared with the like period in 1989 was primarily due to a 14 percent decrease in sales, a decrease in gross margins because of costs increases of workers' compensation insurance and material costs and an increase in selling expenses in advertising, salaries and operating eight additional retail stores.

Partially offsetting these expense increases was a decrease of 7 percent in general and administrative expenses.

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LA JOLLA, CA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Precision-Aerotech Inc. (ASE:PAR) Thursday announced a 33 percent increase in sales to $71,923,000 for the year ended April 30, compared with sales of $53,984,000 in the prior year.

These sales amounts do not include sales of a former subsidiary, Micronics International, which is accounted for as a discontinued operation.

The company reported a net loss of $9,856,000, or $2.99 per share after adjusting for the effect of preferred stock dividends, compared with a net loss of $4,444,000, or $1.41 per share, for fiscal 1989. Funded backlog at year end was approximately $63.6 million compared with $72.9 million a year ago.

The majority of the decrease in backlog levels occurred at the Aero Technologies subsidiary where two large unprofitable contracts were completed during the period and a potentially unprofitable follow-on contract was terminated for the convenience of the government.

For the three months ended April 30, 1990, sales increased to $18,908,000 compared with $16,604,000 for the like period a year earlier, after the elimination of Micronics International as a discontinued operation. The net loss was $2,391,000, or 71 cents per share after preferred stock dividends, compared with $1,248,000, or 39 cents per share, for the like quarter of the prior year.

The sales increase is primarily the result of the company's first full year of sales from the Speedring Inc. and Speedring Systems subsidiaries acquired during the prior fiscal year. The two Speedring subsidiaries and the L&S Aerotech subsidiary performed very well during the year.

As communicated earlier in the year, the company's operations at the

Micronics International Inc. subsidiary were stopped. Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings were initiated and substantially all of the assets of the business were sold. Proceeds from the sale were used to reduce term loan balances.

Losses from operations and the write-down of investment in Micronics adversely impacted earnings by $5,775,000, or $1.71 per share. This brings to a conclusion a very unfortunate and frustrating experience for the company.

Operating losses for the year at the Coast Aerotech and Aero Technologies subsidiaries resulted from the recognition of losses on certain contracts.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - C.M. Communications Inc. (NASDAQ:CMCOM) announced Tuesday its revenue and net loss for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The company's net loss for the second quarter was approximately $516,000, or 36 cents per share, on revenues of $5,903,000. For the same period last year, net income was $159,000, or 24 cents per share on revenues of $5,230,000.

The loss resulted from several factors, some of which the company believes could affect its ability to generate profits in the future.

One of the primary factors causing the second-quarter loss was the continued decline of overall margins in the cellular industry. A comparison of the company margins for the second quarter to those of the same period last year shows that the margin declined from 17 percent on revenues of $5,663,000 to 7 percent on revenues of $5,903,000.

Although the company expects that the higher margins available on sales of its OEM product will compensate for the overall decline in industry margins, during the second quarter the sales of the company subsidiaries which sell the OEM product were significantly below expectations.

This was due to several factors including certain quality problems which the company believes in large part have been resolved, customer resistance to a new line and greater than anticipated finance costs.

Effective the end of August 1990, the company will be terminated as a distributor for one of its less significant manufacturers but the company

believes that such termination will not have a materially adverse effect on gross profits due to the extremely small margins available on those products.

The company is currently out of compliance with certain loan covenants under its revolving line of credit with its bank and is currently attempting to renegotiate the terms of such arrangement. The company believes that successful restructuring of such arrangement is necessary in order for the company to satisfy the anticipated cash requirements of its business.

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FREMONT, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Vitalink Communications Corp., a leading LAN internetworking company, announced Tuesday that it has added multi-protocol routing support to the Vitalink TransPATH family of bridge/routers.

TransPATH, which previously routed only TCP/IP, will now route XNS and IPX protocols.

''The addition of these routing protocols to TransPATH positions Vitalink as a prime contender in the multi-protocol router market,'' said Donald J. Herman, Vitalink's chairman and chief executive officer.

Available in October, the new 11.2 software release will enable TransPATH users to add routing capabilities for both Xerox and Ungerman-Bass versions of XNS as well as Novell IPX protocol suites.

Developed and implemented as a network standard by Xerox, XNS is also currently implemented as a network standard by Metaphor, Intergraph and 3Com. Ungerman-Bass XNS, a proprietary version of XNS, can only be routed by an Ungerman-Bass XNS compatible router. Novell IPX, a proprietary protocol based on XNS, is commonly found in both Ethernet and Token-Ring networks. IPX is used in PC-based networks that use Novell Netware Servers.

In addition to XNS and IPX support, this new TransPATH software offers several significant TCP/IP routing enhancements including IP socket level security. With socket level security, TransPATH will have the ability to filter IP applications such as telnet, FTP, TFTP, and SMTP, providing users increased control over information accessed to and from any IP applications.

The router also offers increased network security by participating in IP inherent protocol suite security. Other enhancements include Exterior Gateway Protocol (EGP), which allows autonomous systems to communicate: SNMP MIB II, the most up to date Management Information Base for the Simple Network Management Protocol; and IBM Source Routing, which enables router protocols to pass beyond a source routing bridge.

Current TransPATH users can add, as a field installable software release, the new XNS and IPX routing features. The 11.2 software release will retail for US$2,500 for the VX350 model and US$2,000 for the new VX335 model. A complete TransPATH 335 bridge/router for US$13,500. Current and potential TransPATH users can order the 11.2 software release or TransPATH systems by contacting Vitalink directly at 1-800/767-4533.

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CULVER CITY, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - At its annual meeting Aug. 3, Showscan Film Corp. (NASDAQ:SHOW) announced a new sale of a Dynamic Motion Simulator (DMS) to be installed in Abu Dhabi (United Arab Emirates) in 1990.

The shareholders also approved a change in the company's name, removing the world ''Film.'' According to Roy Aaron, president and chief executive officer: ''The name 'Showscan Corp.' better identifies us as a technology company whose business is images and experiences using the best of film and video sources.

''It more accurately positions our broad range of products including the DMS and our involvement in high-definition television.''

Aaron also said Showscan's DMS sales and proposal activity ''increased dramatically'' following the successes reported in Japan and Las Vegas over the past eight weeks, causing the company to raise its DMS sales expectations for the current fiscal year, ending March 31, 1991.

Aaron told shareholders additional DMS sales are expected to be announced within the next few weeks.

''Our string of successes grew with the opening of the new DMSs at Odakyu Mukugaoka, in Tokyo, and at Gardaland, near Verona, Italy,'' Aaron said. ''The Gardaland DMS was originally scheduled to operate only four hours per day, but the audience reaction has kept it open for eight to 10 hours each day.

''There are now eight DMSs operating worldwide with two more scheduled to open next month at the Tokyo Roof Center adjacent to Shimbashi Train Station. We are very optimistic about the future of the DMS product line and are devoting considerable resources to it.''

Aaron added: ''We're now expecting to deliver and install considerably more DMSs during fiscal 1991 than we had originally planned. We expect that fiscal 1991 revenues will be approximately equal to those in fiscal 1990, but those revenues are likely to be dominated by the expansion of the DMS installed base.

Showscan Corp. develops and supplies advanced image and experience technologies that stimulate, entertain and educate the public. It is also developing products for use in high-definition television.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - PolyGram NV - one of the world's three largest recorded music groups and the largest outside the United States - announced Tuesday that its net sales and income from operations in the first six months of 1990 were higher than any equivalent period in the history of the company.

While net income and net income per share were lower than in January-June 1989, this was partly due to the loss of interest income as a consequence of using cash reserves for acquisition in 1989.

PolyGram's net sales were a record Netherlands Guilders (NGL) 2,177 million, 24.5% higher than the NLG 1,749 million recorded in the first half of 1989. Income from operations was NLG 188 million, compared with NLG 181 million last year. Net income and net income per share were NLG 118 million and NLG 0.69 respectively in the first half of 1990, compared with NLG 148 million and NLG 0.93 for the same period in 1989.

The sales for the first six months of 1990 were influenced positively by the acquisitions of Island in 1989 and A&M as of January 1990. There were also the positive effects of the consolidation of PolyGram Taiwan and of the increase in PolyGram's stake in one of its Japanese companies, Nippon Phonogram, from 50%-63% effective January 1990.

Net income was further impacted by the loss of interest income on funds

subsequently used for the purchase of Island and A&M Records and for music publishing acquisitions. These funds earned NLG 46 million in interest income in 1989, whereas interest income in the first half of 1990 was only NLG 8 million.

Earnings per share for the six month period therefore show a reduction to NLG 0.69, against last year's first half figure of NLG 0.93, having been diluted further on a comparative basis by the additional 10 million shares outstanding since the flotation in December 1989.

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FREMONT, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Vitalink Communications Corp., a leading LAN internetworking company, announced Tuesday a new bridge and bridge/router platform.

The new VX335 is a competitively-priced platform available as either an entry-level TransPATH remote Ethernet bridge/router or a mid-range TransLAN remote Ethernet bridge. Vitalink also announced the availability of several other enhancements for its TransPATH, TransLAN and TransRING systems.

According to Maureen A. Lawrence, Vitalink's assistant vice president for product marketing, ''The VX335 lets us offer customers both an advanced bridge and a superior bridge/router at a very competitive price. The VX335 enables customers to purchase a two port bridge or bridge/router with excellent price/performance.''

The VX335 can operate as a bridge/router with the TransPATH 11.1.4 software release or as a bridge with the TransLAN 10.3.4 software release. This new platform offers users one Ethernet port and two CCITT V.35 serial ports and supports a bandwidth of two T1/E1 lines.

Customers using the VX335 can also upgrade their TransPATH software to the new multi-protocol 11.2 software release, which was also announced today,

enabling them to route IPX and XNS in addition to TCP/IP.

This VX335, including software, will be available September 1 as a TransPATH 335 bridge/router for U.S.$13,500, or as a TransLAN 335 bridge for US$12,750.

Vitalink also announced today that several new features will be made available to customers using the TransPATH, TransLAN and TransRING systems via two new software releases. Scheduled for availability in October, the 10.4 and 20.2 field installable software releases will include features such as multicast damping and single destination damping.

Both damping features, which detect abnormally high traffic levels often generated by malfunctioning devices on the local area network (LAN), can significantly increase the reliability of a backbone network.

Additional features include enhanced filtering capabilities, an improved user interface, the ability to segment the network into separate bridged domains, concurrent support for both IEEE 802.1 Spanning Tree Protocol and Digital Equipment Corp.'s version of Spanning Tree Protocol, more detailed traffic statistics, and the ability to manage Vitalink's Token-Ring systems using IBM's LAN Manager network management program.

Additionally, Vitalink announced that customers using TransPATH 350, TransLAN 350 or TransRING 550 can configure their systems to support three T1 lines. VX350 systems can be upgraded via the 10.4 software release and the addition of new serial interface cards, available this October. The serial interface cards support a variety of interfaces including CCITT V.35 and are priced at US$2,500 each.

Customers wanting to order the VX335, the expanded T1 support for their VX350 platform or the capabilities of 10.4 or 20.2 can contact Vitalink directly at 1-800/767-4533.

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OWINGS MILLS, MD (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Universal Security Instruments Inc. (NASDAQ:USEC) Tuesday announced results for the first quarter ended June 30.

The company reported a rise in net income of 127 percent to $121,974, or 4 cents per share, compared to net income of $53,688, or 2 cents per share, for the first quarter last year. Sales for the first quarter wre $4,995,269 compared to $6,240,809 for the like quarter last year.

Universal further stated that it has commenced initial deliveries of innerView (TM), a wireless broadcast system. The innerView appears to be the most significant product introduction in Universal's recent history and the company is presently planning to increase production capacity in order to meet customer demand. The company also stated that its telephone business is progressing substantially better than anticipated. Based, in part, on increased sales from innerView and telephones, the company expects to report increased sales and earnings in its second quarter ending Sept. 30.

Due to the fire on March 28, which totally destroyed Universal's plant and administrative offices, the company has not been able to complete its audited financial results for the year ended March 31. The company anticipates completion of the results of the past fiscal year within thirty days.

Universal Security Instruments Inc. designs, manufactures and markets video, telecommunications and security products.

Universal Security Instruments Inc.
Announces Results for the
Three Months Ended June 30
(Unaudited)

	1990	1989
Sales	$4,995,269	$6,240,809
Net income(a)	121,974	53,688
Net income per share	4 cents	2 cents
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	3,451,502	3,442,731

(a) Due to the tax benefit carryforward of prior year's operating losses, no tax liability was incurred.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Logic Devices Inc. (NASDAQ:LOGC) Tuesday reported net income of $360,000, or 8 cents per share, on net sales of $3,231,000 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Net income for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990 was $793,000, or 17 cents per share, on net sales of $6,511,000.

''During the quarter we completed both internal and customer qualifications on many of our ultra high-speed SRAMs. These products offer leadership performance with 8 nanoseconds (ns) access time at the 16K and 64K densities and 12 ns at the 256K level.

''In addition, we began characterization of our new broad line of FIFO and dedicated cache memory chips which will be introduced later this year. We expect these new products to fuel growth during the second half of 1990,'' stated Bill Volz, president of Logic Devices.

Logic Devices also announced the company has signed a non-exclusive agreement with AT&T Microelectronics which licenses AT&T to manufacture and sellproducts designed by Logic. The initial products licensed include Logic's ultra-fast static random access memories (SRAMs).

The two companies have also agreed to extend the current wafer foundry agreement, signed in January 1989 until 1996. The foundry agreement provides Logic Devices finished silicon wafers from AT&T for manufacturing its advanced products.

''We believe this long-term cooperative relationship between AT&T and Logic Devices will result in the proliferation of the world's fastest family of high-speed static memory products,'' explained Volz.

Logic Devices manufactures ultra high-performance CMOS digital integrated circuits for applications requiring high operating speeds and low operating power. The company's products include performance leadership SRAMs, arithmetic computational circuits used in real-time and signal processing applications, and proprietary products which address specific application requirements.

The company's products are used in numerically intensive applications including computers, workstations, medical instruments, video image processing and telecommunications.

Logic Devices Inc.
Statement of Income
(Dollars in thousands, except per-share data)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89/a	6/30/90	6/30/89/a
Net sales	$3,231	$4,179	$6,511	$7,842
Cost of sales	1,384	1,984	2,873	3,838
Gross profit	1,847	2,195	3,638	4,004
Operating expenses Research and				

development	380	350	739	732
Selling, general and administrative	813	1,009	1,549	1,865
Operating expense	1,193	1,359	2,288	2,597
Income from operations	654	836	1,350	1,407
Interest (expense) income, net	(140)	23	(217)	(2)
Pre-tax profit	514	859	1,133	1,405
Taxes	154	17	340	31
Net income before cumulative effect of accounting changes	360	842	793	1,374
Cumulative effect of accounting changes	--	--	--	665
Net income	$ 360	$ 842	$ 793	$2,039
Earnings per share before cumulative effect	8 cents	19 cents	17 cents	30 cents
Earnings per share after cumulative effect	8 cents	19 cents	17 cents	45 cents
Weighted average common shares outstanding	4,705,520	4,524,486	4,615,503	4,524,498

(a) Earnings for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1989 were restated upward 1 cent and 10 cents from those originally reported as a result of 1989 year-end audit adjustments reflecting changes in accounting principles on recognition of revenues on distributor shipments and capitalization of certain product development related tooling expenses.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Kushner-Locke Co. (NASDAQ:KLOC) Tuesday reported increased revenues and net earnings for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported revenues this year of $4,848,000 compared with $1,110,000 for last year and net earnings of $210,000 compared with $41,000 for last year.

Kushner-Locke's current production activities include 15 half-hour episodes of its long-running (sixth season) comedy series ''First and Ten'' for HBO, a two-hour NBC television movie ''Cops Are Robbers,'' starring Edward Asner and Ray Sharkey, 34 episodes of a new nationally

syndicated television series ''The Krypton Factor'' and 13 episodes of a late-night television series for CBS entitled ''Sweating Bullits.''

During the third-quarter 1990, the company had completed production and had delivered ''Murder C.O.D.,'' a NBC two-hour television movie as well as ''Aladdin,'' a one-hour music special for Disney.

Co-Chairman Peter Locke and Donald Kushner reported that increased revenues and earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, were attributed to the later delivery and revenue schedule for this year's programming as opposed to last year's earlier one. Revenues from production are not recognized by the company until the programming is available for delivery and/or delivered.

Founded in 1983, The Kushner-Locke Co. is one of the leading independent television production companies engaged in developing and producing television series, pilots, movies-for-television, miniseries, and animated programming.

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GREENBELT, MD (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Group 1 Software (NASDAQ/NMS:GSOF) Tuesday reported revenue of $4,921,000 for the first fiscal quarter, ended June 30, as compared with revenue of $4,733,000 for the like quarter the prior year.

Net earnings were $747,000, or 18 cents per share, as compared with $691,000, or 17 cents per share, reported for the like quarter last year. Both revenue and net earnings were the highest for any first quarter in Group 1's history.

The company launched the marketing program for its new AS/400 midrange computer software during the first quarter. This represented significant expense in advance of offsetting revenues, since the full midrange software line will be phased-in over coming months. Response to the initial marketing effort has been excellent and sales pipelines are building.

License and maintenance/enhancements revenue for Group 1's mainframe software continued to be strong. Revenue for PC products was depressed during the quarter, however, by the transition to dealer distribution, which offers substantially greater volume potential for the long term.

Group 1 Software is the leading supplier of computer software for the

direct marketing industry and for other volume mailers. The company's customer base for mainframe computer software now totals approximately 950 clients, including a number of Fortune 500 companies and other premiere organizations in the U.S. and Canada. Approximately 4,500 copies of Group 1's microcomputer (PC) software packages are in use.

Group 1 Software
Statements of Earnings (in thousands, except per share data)
Unaudited

	Three Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Revenue	$4,921	$4,733
Net earnings	747	691
Earnings per share of common stock	18 cents	17 cents
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	4,198	4,193

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REDMOND, WA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. Tuesday shipped Microsoft LAN Manager version 2.0, the advanced network operating system for MS-DOS, Windows and OS/2 users.

The new version provides significant new product features with an innovative pricing scheme that delivers top-of-the-line functionality for all users, regardless of the size of their network.

Traditional ''server-based'' pricing schemes for networks restrict product functionality for small networks and require users to purchase dramatically more expensive versions of the product for more powerful servers. With LAN Manager version 2.0, there is only a single LAN Manager product, which is priced at $995. Customers then buy as many, or as few, additional user packs as they require to support the number of users connected to the server. Each additional set of ten users costs $995 each; the price for an unlimited number of users is $5495.

To make the product especially appealing to customers with small networks and to development teams, LAN Manager comes with support for five users built in at no charge. This makes the product very inexpensive for companies installing small LAN Manager workgroups or test sites, or

setting up LAN Manager or Microsoft SQL Server product development teams.

This ''user-based'' pricing scheme allows customers to size their system economically, without sacrificing functionality in a small network, and without incurring a cost penalty for using more powerful servers. Each pricing level includes every product feature -- from 386/486 support to domains to fault tolerance.

With the release of LAN Manager version 2.0, Microsoft is also inaugurating a new distribution program through reseller channels. The Network Specialist Program, announced earlier, will make LAN Manager available directly to end users through carefully selected and trained networking resellers. Microsoft is supporting resellers with the largest development and marketing initiative the company has ever made, and putting into place substantial support programs for both resellers and end users. In addition, LAN Manager remains the standard PC network operating system provided by leading computer manufacturers such as 3Com, AT&T, Digital Equipment Corp., Hewlett-Packard, IBM, NCR, Olivetti, Ungermann-Bass, Unisys and others.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ:MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, CD ROM products and hardware for the microcomputer marketplace.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - GEO International Corp. (NYSE, PSE:GX) announced earnings for its third fiscal 1990 quarter of $335,000, or 2 cents per share, on revenues of $41 million.

In the prior year comparable quarter, the company reported a loss of $2.1 million, or 13 cents per share, on revenues of $42.4 million.

For the nine months ended June 30, earnings were $672,000, or 3 cents per share, on revenues of $119.6 million. In the prior nine month comparable period, the company reported a loss of $8.3 million, or 51 cents per share on revenues of $121.9 million.

John E. McConnaughy Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of GEO, said all operating segments of the company showed improvement over the prior

nine month period.

GEO International Corp. provides: equipment, inks and supplies to the graphic arts industry, production equipment and supplies to the oil and gas industry and non-destructive testing services to assure quality to many industries.

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SAN MATEO, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Bay Meadows Operating Co. and California Jockey Club (ASE:CJ) Tuesday reported a 23 percent increase in revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared with the like period a year ago.

Revenues were $3,051,000, compared with $2,483,000 for the second quarter of 1989. The companies reported a decline in net losses to $1,187,000, or 21 cents per share, compared with a loss of $1,304,000, or 23 cents per share, in 1989.

For the first six months of 1990, revenues increased 19 percent to $13,428,000 compared with $11,254,000 for the first six months of 1989. During the first six months of 1990, the companies reduced their losses to $437,000, or 8 cents per share, compared with a loss of $1,148,000, or 20 cents per share, a year ago.

The 1989 results reflect the cumulative effect of a change in the method of accounting for income taxes.

Because the companies' primary source of revenue is the thoroughbred race meeting which takes place between August and January, the results of operations from the first six months are not representative of results to be expected for the full year.

''Our improved results thus far in 1990 reflect the impact of an enhanced racing program, including the return of a quarter horse racing meet, and an expanded night satellite program of quarter horse and harness racing,'' said James P. Conn, president of Bay Meadows Operating Co.

''We have shown substantial improvement in our results of operations over the past three quarters. During this nine-month period, revenues were $39.4 million, an increase of 6.5 percent over the comparable year earlier nine-month period and net income was $3.1 million, an increase of 146 percent over the comparable year earlier nine-month period.

''We believe this demonstrates the success of our efforts to build a strong future at Bay Meadows,'' Conn added. ''Our performance for all of 1990 will be heavily dependent on the results of our 22-week thoroughbred race meet which begins Aug. 24.

''We have been working aggressively to enhance our racing program through improvements to the track surfaces and the recruitment of better horses. In addition, we have scheduled an exciting program of special events and stake races, including the Bay Meadows Handicap, which will be televised live nationally on ESPN. We are highly optimistic about the upcoming meet.''

California Jockey Club is one of the nation's three publicly held real estate investment trusts whose primary asset is a horse racing track. Bay Meadows Operating Co. operates Bay Meadows Racetrack on the San Francisco Peninsula. The companies' shares are traded as a single unit under a pairing agreement on the American Stock Exchange.

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FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Paul I. Stevens, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Stevens Graphics Corporation (AMEX:SVGA & SVGB) today announced a realignment of responsibilities for several of the Company's top executives.

C. Philip Crampton is promoted to Corporate Senior Vice President-Technology, reporting to the Chief Executive Officer. Fred H. Harding is promoted to Corporate Senior Vice President, reporting to the Chief Executive Officer, handling special assignments.

Richard I Stevens, President and Chief Operating Officer of Stevens Graphics Corporation, has been given the additional responsibility of President of The Hamilton- Stevens Group. Andrew J. Jones has been promoted to Executive Vice President of The Hamilton-Stevens Group. Jones will be in charge of all functions except marketing and sales, which will be headed by Richard H. Bell, Corporate Vice President-Marketing.

Stevens stated, ''The present business environment and our continuing growth and acquisition activities create new and changing challenges. These organizational changes are aimed at meeting these challenges and are a part of our ongoing process of upgrading and increasing our capabilities and effectiveness.''

Stevens Graphics Corporation, headquartered in Fort Worth, Texas, is the

only U.S. based company that designs, manufactures and markets web-fed offset, gravure, flexographic, and intaglio printing and packaging press systems, collators, and related pre-press, printing and post-press equipment on a worldwide basis.

The Company serves the packaging, commercial, business forms, and currency/securities segments of the U.S./North American and international printing and packaging industries. Corporate strategy is to create a larger company, by internal growth and by acquisition, of industry-related companies, that provides ''complete systems solution'' lines of products.

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WALNUT CREEK, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Mission Resource Partners L.P. (ASE:MRP) Tuesday reported results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues decreased from $5,396,042 a year ago to $3,832,908, while net income was $697,285, or 16 cents per unit, compared with $1,663,321, or 38 cents per unit, a year ago. Cash flow per unit was 31 cents, compared with 60 cents in 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $7,802,867, compared with $8,820,256 in 1989. Net income decreased to $1,508,493, or 35 cents per unit, compared with $2,046,967, or 47 cents per unit, a year ago. Cash flow per unit was 63 cents, compared with 85 cents in the like period a year ago.

''Our financial performance reflects a number of factors, including a significant drop in oil prices and the absence of revenues from several major properties which we sold as part of our restructuring program initiated last year,'' said Douglad K. Brown, president of Mission Resources Inc., MRP's manager.

Brown said these factors were offset by an increase in average gas prices received by the partnership from $2.06 per thousand cubic feet (MCF) to $3.01 MCF in the second quarter of 1990 and increased production from the Patrino Fee, the company's principal property interest.

''While we met our production budgets on the Patrino Fee property for the quarter,'' Brown added, ''the drop in prices resulted in a shortfall of

aproximately $800,000 from budget in revenue and cash flow.

''Accordingly, we will not pay a distribution for the second quarter as the cash flow from second quarter operations will be used to pay for capital expenditure requirements.

''However, assuming prices return to 1989 year-end levels, we expect to restore the distribution in the third quarter as new wells and increased production put us in an excellent position to capitalize on potentially higher oil prices in the months ahead.

''During the quarter, we completed a $7.3 million capital expenditure program on the Patrino Fee, adding 30 new producing wells and two water injectors, as well as finishing a major water treatment program,'' Brown said.

''Consequently,'' he continued, ''we have increased production levels from 1,560 Bbl per day and 1,820 MCF per day to 2,766 Bbl per day and 3,089 MCF per day. Complementing improved production from the Patrino Fee property were new 12-month contracts, effective July 1, 1990, which called for premiums of 66 cents per Bbl over oil price postings and 23 cents per MCF over utility industrial gas prices.''

The partnership's restructuring program helped reduce overall expenses by some $600,000 compared to the like quarter a year ago. During the quarter, several properties and property interests were sold for some $2.8 million, Brown said.

He added that the partnership continues to work with First Boston Corp. for the sale of its remaining assets and is continuing to hold discussions with prospective buyers or merger candidates.

Mission Resources Partners L.P. has interests in approximately 475 oil and gas wells which are located principally in California.

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Aug. 14, 1990--North Atlantic Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:NATL) today announced the receipt of a contract from the U.S. Navy Sea Systems Command for North Altantic's AN/USH cartridge tape drive.

The contract will allow the Navy to order substantial quantities of this Navy Standard peripheral over the next 30 months. The company expects the contract to account for over $16 million in revenues over that period of time.

North Atlantic Industries designs, manufactures and markets computer, computer peripheral, communications and instrumentation products to government and aerospace industry customers.

The company is a leading supplier of TEMPEST printers, MIL-SPEC teleprinter and tape storage systems, as well as phase sensitive instruments.

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NEWBURY PARK, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - HOH Water Technology Corp. (NASDAQ:HOHI,HOHIU,HOHIW) Tuesday announced the promotions of Ronald J. O'Hare to vice president, product development, and Henry Mora to engineering design manager.

The announcement was made by HOH President James E. Cruver.

Cruver said on commenting on the announcement, ''Ron's experience in the desing and installation sector of the water treatment industry has proven invaluable to HOH over the years and has, in large part, been responsible for the rapid development of the company's newest product as well as the refinement of our EDI product.''

Cruver said that O'Hare will supervise all aspects of the company's new water system products.

Mora is responsible for plastics mold and product design engineering and development of the company's water system products. ''Henry's versatility and experience has enabled us to develop superior designs for our growing family of products,'' Cruver said.

Since 1986, O'Hare has been the operations manager for HOH and involved in the company's ongoing research and development process.

Prior to HOH, O'Hare was with the service division of Culligan Water Conditioning for 14 years where he supervised the design, installation and

repair of domestic and industrial water purification systems.

He has extensive experience in water treatment applications, including cooling towers, boiler feedwater, ultraviolet, deionization and reverse osmosis systems. O'Hare is the son of HOH fonder and Chairman Harry M. O'Hare. He has been a director of the company since May 1987.

Mora first joined HOH in February 1988 to assist in the design and development of the company's EDI product systems. Before HOH, Mora was design supervisor for Spear System Inc., a mold component supplier to the Fortune 500 of the plastics industry.

He brings to HOH more than 15 years experience in specifying, designing and purchasing of manifold systems and components as well as material testing, mold start-ups and new product development. Mora has conducted seminars and trade shows in the plastic field and has experience in plastics sales.

A member of the Society of Plastic Engineers and the Society for Manufacturing, Mora is fluent in Spanish and has had wide experience with mold makers throughout the world.

HOH Water Technology is engaged in the development and supply breakthrough line of water filtration and treatment systems for residential, commercial and industrial water treatment.

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FREMONT, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Flextronics Inc. (OTC:FLEX) Tuesday announced results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales were $28,956,000 with net income of $10,013,000, or $1.07 per share, including a pre-tax gain of approximately $15,196,000 on the recapitalization of its Asian operations. Net sales for the comparable period last year were $46,585,000 with a net loss of $2,277,000, or 25 cents per share.

Weighted average shares outstanding were 9,395,000 as compared with 9,281,000 for the like quarter of the prior year.

In the quarter ended June 30, 1990, the company completed the recapitalization of its Asian operations and reported a pre-tax gain of approximately $15,196,000 on the transaction. From the date of recapitalization, the company reports its investment in and income from

its Asian operations on the equity method as compared to the consolidated presentation used prior to the recapitalization.

Since the recapitalization was consummated late in the quarter, the impact of the transaction on the company's reported net income (loss) from operations was not significant for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales for subsequent periods will not include sales of the Asian operations and the company's results of operations will include only the company's 44 percent share of the Asian operation's net income (loss).

The reported results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, exclude net sales and operating losses of facilities which were closed or which are scheduled to be closed in connection with restructuring plans announced in the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990. Such losses were accrued as a charge to income in the year ended March 31, 1990.

The decrease in net sales for the quarter is due primarily to the April 1990 sale of a component test facility, the restructuring of U.S. operations including plant closures in December 1989, April 1990 and a planned closure in December 1990, and the reporting of the Asian operations' net sales only through the June 18, 1990 recapitalization date.

Flextronics Inc., headquartered in Fremont, is a leading provider of electronics contract manufacturing services to the computer, peripherals, medical, automotive and telecommunications industries.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Fries Entertainment Inc. (ASE:FE), an independent producer and distributor of television programming, theatrical features and home video, announced Tuesday that the company's board of directors has amended the bylaws to require specified advance notice of any stockholder business to be conducted at a stockholders' meeting.

A complete description of the amendment will be in a Current Report on Form 8-K to be filed shortly with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Fries Entertainment also announced Tuesday that its annual meeting of stockholders will be held Tuesday, Nov. 13, 1990, at 10 a.m. at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel in Los Angeles. A record date of Sept. 14, 1990, has been set for the purpose of determining stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting.

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MIAMI (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Jack Birnholz, chairman of International Realty Group Inc. (OTC), announced the financial results for the company's first six months of the fiscal year ending Dec. 31.

Sales increased 18 percent from the previous period in 1989. Earnings increased by 25 percent.

The financial results are unaudited and subject to year end adjustments.

International Realty Group Inc.

	1990	1989
Revenues	$451,970	$368,224
Net Profit	105,473	78,692
Earnings Per Share	2 cents	1 cent

The financials reflect limited revenues from its Eastern European subsidiary, Stragix International Inc. The company anticipates increased revenues from that source in the second half of fiscal 1990.

Stragix, with its Hungarian Joint Venture Partner, has been valuing businesses, real estate and facilitating privatization transactions (conversion of state owned property to private ownership) in Hungary.

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BERKELEY, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Thoratec Laboratories Corp. Tuesday announced financial results for its second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Sales of the Thoratec VAD System in the second quarter of 1990 were 36 percent higher than product sales in the second quarter of 1989 and sales for the first half of 1990 were 59 percent higher than those in the first half of 1989. This is primarily the result of new domestic and

international users of the Thoratec System in 1990 and continued purchases of the disposable portion of the Thoratec System by existing users.

Total revenue for the second quarter of 1990 was 6 percent higher than total revenue in the second quarter of 1989. This is the result of the off-setting effects of the increased product sales and a decrease in contract research and development revenues.

The comparisons of both total revenue and net income for 1990 and 1989 are heavily impacted by two 1989 transactions; a $1 million gain from a technology sale and a $5 million extraordinary gain from debt restructuring. Because of the decline in contract revenues and the major technology sale in the first quarter of 1989, total revenue for the first six months of 1990 was 34 percent lower than total revenue in the first six months of 1989.

Also because of the technology sale and the debt restructuring in the first half of 1989, net income for the first six months of 1990 was 104 percent lower than net income for the like period in 1989. Excluding the extraordinary gain and the gain from the technology sale, results from operations improved from a $807,000 loss in the first six months of 1989 to a $196,000 loss in the like period of 1990.

Results from operations in 1990 were improved from those in 1989 because of facility closures, related to the technology sale, which resulted in lower research and development and general and administrative expenses in 1990.

Net loss for the second quarter of 1990 was $48,000 (per share: $0.03 primary and fully diluted) and for the first six months was $196,000 (per share: $0.08 primary and fully diluted). Net income for the second quarter and first six months of 1989 were $4,507,000 (per share: $0.31 primary and fully diluted) and $5,151,000 (per share: $0.35 primary and $0.34 fully diluted), respectively.

All per share amounts reflect the deduction of accrued but unpaid preferred dividends.

In the quarterly report on Form 10-Q, filed this date with the SEC, the company also discussed a loan agreement with its new investor group. The company will continue to explore sources of additional working capital loans for ongoing operations.

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REDMOND, WA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. Tuesday announced the shipment of a new release of Microsoft SQL Server, the intelligent high-performance database management system for PC networks, coupled with a range of support and promotional programs to accelerate the development of new client-server applications.

''SQL Server has received a tremendous reception based on the excellence of the product,'' said Steve Ballmer, senior vice president of systems software at Microsoft. ''The industry has already judged SQL Server the premier client-server network application on the market. SQL Server now supports not only traditional development tools but next-generation object-oriented GUI tools and applications.''

SQL Server has been rated number one in performance and functionality by InfoWorld and Software Digest, and more than 25 leading developers of database products are currently shipping front ends for it.

Enhancements for Easier Development, Administration

Developed jointly by Microsoft and Sybase Inc., SQL Server is an intelligent, high-performance relational database management system for personal computer local area networks (LANs) running under the OS/2 operating system. Developed specifically for client-server computing, SQL Server can be accessed from a wide variety of client applications, also called front ends, running on MS-DOS, Windows and OS/2 workstations. It provides mainframe-caliber performance, security, data integrity and crash recovery features at PC prices and flexibility. Microsoft SQL Server version 1.1 retains full compatibility with SYBASE SQL Servers for UNIX and VMS.

Enhancements made to version 1.1 include:

-- New DB-Library interface. The applications programming interface has been rewritten to be smaller and faster; it now occupies only 40K rather than the original 80K, leaving more memory for applications.

-- Protocol-independent architecture. A new installable protocol architecture in DB-Library provides MS-DOS, Windows and OS/2 users the means to access SYBASE SQL Servers on other platforms in the future.

-- Network operating system independent. SQL Server offers tight integration with LAN Manager networks and now also supports any named-pipes-compatible network operating system including IBM LAN Server and Novell NetWare and, soon, Banyan VINES.

-- More flexible configuration. Microsoft added an option to the setup utilities to allow SQL Server to be configured on a stand-alone OS/2

workstation. This allows developers to use SQL Server for development without impacting production network environments. In addition, SQL Server comes in a package with support for five users, allowing small development teams to use the product inexpensively.

-- Easier administration. The SQL Server System Administration Facility (SAF) has been enhanced to make better use of network resources. The administrator can now display network IDs on screen and select those to be automatically defined by SQL Server.

-- New BASIC Language Support. SQL Server comes with an interface to Microsoft BASIC Professional Development System, allowing robust client-server applications to be developed with a modern, powerful structured BASIC.

-- Support for Microsoft Windows Environment Version 3.0.

-- Improved support for the SQL Server Database Gateway to DB2. Jointly developed by Microsoft and Micro Decisionware, the gateway is available from Micro Decisionware.

-- 30 days of free support. There is also a comprehensive set of new support plans.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ: MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, CD ROM products and hardware for the microcomputer marketplace.

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EMERYVILLE, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Chiron Corp. (NASDAQ:CHIR) founded in 1981, Tuesday reported the first quarterly profit in the company's history.

A strong performance during the quarter by Chiron's joint diagnostic business with Ortho Diagnostic Systems Inc., a Johnson & Johnson company, and increased product sales at its subsidiary, Chiron Ophthalmics Inc., helped to almost double revenues over the second quarter of 1989.

Costs increased at a slower rate, as research and development and selling,

general and administrative expenses were essentially flat during the quarter compared to a year ago.

Chiron's year-to-date results also improved as a result of significant increases in revenues from collaborative research agreements, product sales and its joint business with Ortho, while expenses grew more slowly.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, Chiron had earnings of $3,448,000, or 20 cents per share, on revenues of $17,770,000, compared to a loss of $4,060,000, or 30 cents per share, on revenues of $9,170,000 for the second quarter a year ago.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, Chiron had a net loss of $1,228,000, or 8 cents per share, on revenues of $31,966,000, vs. a net loss of $8,979,000, or 68 cents per share, on revenues of $16,551,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

Revenues for the quarter and for the year increased largely as a result of Chiron's diagnostic product sales and share of profit from its joint business with Ortho, and from increases in Chiron Opthalmics product sales.

For the quarter, profit from Chiron's joint business with Ortho was $7,851,000, and was $6.4 million for the year to date, which included a $6 million charge for the purchase of technology in the first quarter.

Product sales include shipments of antigens and diagnostic material sold to Ortho at cost of $1,412,000 for the quarter, and for the year to date, $2,786,000.

Chiron's opthalmic business continues to expand. For the quarter, sales of opthalmic products were $1,558,000, compared to $647,000 a year earlier, and for the year to date $2,865,000 compared to $1,161,000 in 1989.

Chiron Corp., headquartered in Emeryville, applies genetic engineering and other techniques of biotechnology to develop products that diagnose, prevent and treat human disease. Chiron is building a health care business to address needs in four markets: diagnostics, vaccines, biopharmaceuticals and opthalmics, through its fully integrated subsidiary Chiron Opthalmics Inc.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Columbia Savings and Loan Association (PSE:CSVPRA), announced Tuesday a net loss for the second

quarter of 1990 of $136.5 million, or $6.78 per share, primary and fully diluted.

This loss compared with net earnings of $6.4 million, or 16 cents per share, primary and fully diluted, for the comparable period in 1989. Columbia reported that the quarterly loss was primarily attributable to four factors:

1. An $88.5 million provision for credit losses on investment securities and loans;

2. A $65.0 million loss from real estate investment operations due largely to the declining commercial real estate market in Southern California;

3. A $29.2 million loss recorded with respect to certain corporate facilities;

4. A $20.9 million lower of cost or market adjustment for its investment in mortgage-backed securities, which were designated as held for sale.

Columbia noted that there had not been a substantial change in the market value of its high yield bond portfolio during the second quarter of 1990.

Columbia also reported a net loss of $429.9 million, or $21.39 per share, primary and fully diluted) for the six months ended June 30, 1990 as compared to net income of $14.3 million, or 36 cents per share, for the first six months of 1989.

During the first six months of 1990, provisions for credit losses on Columbia's investment securities and loans totaled $282.2 million and recorded losses from its real estate operations of $70.8 million. The losses recorded for the first six months of 1990 have reduced stockholders' equity to a deficit of $352.2 million at June 30, 1990.

President and Chief Executive Officer Edward G. Harshfield stated that: ''Our primary efforts during the second quarter of 1990 and continuing through the present have been to stabilize Columbia, to identify realizable values for the assets Columbia holds and to position the association for the sale of its high yield bond portfolio.

''Through a fair and open auction process, we believe we have obtained the highest available price for Columbia's entire portfolio of high yield bonds. However, as is obvious from our negative capital position, we will need the continuing patience and cooperation of our regulators if Columbia is to survive.

''We are making every effort to submit a plan to the regulators which will

reflect the potential for maximizing the return to Columbia's shareholders.''

Columbia is a California-chartered savings and loan association with 24 offices in Southern California.

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DENVER (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Tele-Communications Inc. (TCI) Tuesday reported that the company's total revenue increased to $1.75 billion for the six months ended June 30, 1990, as compared to $1.38 billion for the corresponding period of the prior year.

Operating income before interest, depreciation, and amortization expenses in the first six months of 1990 was $671 million compared to $519 million in the same period a year ago. Net results for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were a net loss of $101 million, or 29 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $115 million, or 33 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

The company experienced improved operating results and increased gain on sales of assets but incurred additional interest expense as compared to the prior period.

Consummation of the purchase of the TCI/Cooke Systems, the purchase of a 42.5 percent indirect interest in SCI Holdings Inc., and the business combination involving United Artists Communications Inc. and United Cable Television Corp. have had a negative impact on the company's earnings due to the cost of servicing the indebtedness incurred to finance the transactions and the resulting increase in depreciation and amortization.

Cable television operations increased revenue for the current six-month period by 33 percent as compared to the same period in 1989. Approximately 5 to 6 percent of such increase resulted from growth in subscriber levels, an additional 4 to 6 percent was due to increases in prices charged for cable television service. The balance of the increase in cable television revenue was substantially attributable to acquisitions.

Theatre operations increased revenue by approximately 4 percent for the current six-month period as compared to the corresponding period of 1989. This increase was primarily attributable to modest increases in average and actual ticket prices.

At June 30, 1990, the company provided basic cable television services to

approximately 8.3 million subscribers and premium (or ''pay-TV'') services to approximately 6 million subscribers. A basic subscriber may subscribe to one or more pay-TV services, and the number of pay-TV subscribers represents the total number of such subscriptions to pay-TV services.

In addition the company's 50 percent or less owned affiliates, accounted for under the equity method, own systems which, at June 30, 1990, provided services to approximately 2.9 million basic subscribers and 2.4 million pay-TV subscribers. The foregoing information does not include any subscriber data related to cable television systems in which the company had, at such date, an investment accounted for by the cost method.

On Jan. 18, 1990, the company announced that its board of directors had authorized management to proceed to develop a plan to distribute to its shareholders a new company consisting of certain of TCI's programming interests, cable television assets, and other operating businesses. On March 29, 1990, the company further announced that it was considering effecting this distribution by means of a rights offering to its shareholders which would entitle them to exchange a portion of their shares of Class A and Class B common stock for stock of the new company.

The March 29 announcement by the company further indicated that the company's investment in Turner Broadcasting System Inc. (TBS) would not be among the assets included in the new company.

The assets that management has identified for contribution to the new company, subject to the receipt of governmental and third party consents and waivers, include substantially all of the company's programming interests (other than its investment in TBS), the company's interest in certain cable systems owned by the company that served approximately 26,000 basic subscribers at June 30, 1990, the company's interest in certain cable systems owned by equity affiliates of the company that served approximately 760,000 basic subscribers at June 30, 1990, and substantially all of the company's investments accounted for by the cost method in other cable systems that served approximately 1.3 million basic subscribers at June 30, 1990.

On Oct. 17, 1989, the company and Viacom International Inc. executed a letter of intent providing for the purchase by TCI from Viacom of 50 percent of the common stock of Showtime Networks Inc. Consummation of this purchase is subject to the satisfaction of a number of conditions.

Given the uncertainties as to whether and, if so, when the proposed acquisition of an interest in Showtime will be consummated, no decision has been made regarding the possibility of contributing such interest to the new company.

Also, a certain subsidiary of the company is a 50 percent general partner

in a general partnership which owns a 30 percent limited partnership interest in a certain partnership (the remaining 70 percent of which is owned by the company) that owns 50 percent of the common stock of SCI Holdings Inc., the parent of Storer Communications Inc.

At June 30, 1990, Storer and its consolidated subsidiaries owned cable television systems serving approximately 1.6 million basic subscribers. Subject to the receipt of necessary third-party consents and waivers, the company may contribute the stock of such subsidiary to the new company.

The aforementioned distribution by means of a rights offering is subject to the satisfaction of a number of conditions, including, among others, defining an appropriate structure, determining the consideration to be received by the company in exchange for the assets to be contributed to the new company, obtaining required governmental and third-party consents and approvals and registering the stock of the new company under federal and state securities laws.

There can be no assurance that such transaction will ultimately be effected.

On a separate issue, TCI also announced that it has arranged $200 million in long-term financing for a wholly owned subsidiary with a group of major insurance companies led by The Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

First Boston Corp. acted as placement agent for the financing.

The company will pay a blended coupon of approximately 9.9 percent on the senior unsecured notes with maturities extending to the year 2000. The borrower, TCI Northeast Inc., serves approximately 815,000 basic subscribers in Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania. It is based in Pittsburgh. Proceeds will be used to repay floating rate bank debt.

Tele-Communications Inc. is traded over-the-counter with Class A common stock and Class B common stock trading separately under symbols of TCOMA and TCOMB, respectively.

The company's 11-1/8 percent senior subordinated debentures, 7 percent convertible subordinated debentures, and TCI rights are traded in the over-the-counter markets, the latter two under the symbols of TCOMH and TCOMR, respectively.

Tele-Communications Inc. and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(unaudited) amounts in millions except per share amounts

	3 months ended June 30,		6 months ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989

Revenue	$ 890	$ 726	$1,751	$1,382
Operating costs and expenses				
Operating	364	301	712	576
Selling, general and administrative	185	154	368	287
Depreciation	119	98	242	189
Amortization	49	30	91	57
	717	583	1,413	1,109
Operating income	173	143	338	273
Other income (expense)				
Interest expense	(233)	(206)	(461)	(381)
Share of losses of affiliates, net	(14)	(30)	(29)	(48)
Gain (loss) on sales of assets, net	31	(6)	31	5
Compensation relating to stock appreciation rights	(11)	(8)	(11)	(16)
Minority interests in losses (earnings) of consolidated subsidiaries	(4)	18	2	19
Other, net	18	9	31	15
	(213)	(223)	(437)	(406)
Loss before income taxes	(40)	(80)	(99)	(133)
Income tax benefit (expense)	(4)	16	(2)	18
Net loss	$ (44)	$ (64)	$ (101)	$ (115)
Loss per common share	$ (.12)	$ (.18)	$ (.29)	$ (.33)

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Republic Pictures Corp. (NASDAQ:RPICA) reported net income of $131,000 on revenues of $11,919,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, it was announced Tuesday by Russell Goldsmith, chairman and chief executive officer.

The profitable results reflected new video acquisitions, television production activities and achievements in video and television distribution.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, consolidated revenues amounted to $11,919,000, as compared with $15,496,000 in the second quarter of 1989. Quarterly operating income decreased to $224,000 in 1990 from $426,000 in 1989. Net income for the second quarter was $131,000, or 3 cents per share, as compared with $433,000, or 10 cents per share, for the three months ended June 30, 1989.

For the six-month periods ended June 30, consolidated revenues were $24,479,000 in the current year, as compared with $26,205,000 in 1989, while operating income amounted to $718,000 and $792,000, respectively. Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $419,000, or 10 cents per share, as compared with $639,000, or 15 cents per share, in the comparable period of 1989.

Video revenues increased to $5.46 million in the second quarter of 1990 from $5,263,000 for the three months ended June 30, 1989. During this year's second quarter the company profitably released three new features from its video acquisition program: ''Cold Comfort,'' ''Quarantine'' and ''Private War.''

Also contributing to the revenue increase were continued strong sales of Republic library titles at sell-through prices and the Blackhawk Catalog, Republic's direct-mail video catalog.

Second-quarter television revenues were $6,459,000 in 1990 and $10,233,000 in 1989. The current quarter included the CBS network license fee for ''Bare Essentials,'' a just-completed two-hour romantic comedy starring Gregory Harrison, Lisa Hartman and Mark Linn-Baker, as well as both international and domestic license fees for the company's library and newer productions, including ''Beauty and the Beast.''

The prior year's second quarter included several large multiyear license agreements for ''Bonanza.''

Republic Pictures Television, the company's television venture with United Artists Entertainment Co., recently completed principal photography on ''Son of the Morning Star,'' an epic four-hour drama for the ABC Television Network. Gary Cole and Rosanna Arquette star in this story of General George Armstrong Custer and his role at the legendary Battle of the Little Bighorn.

Production began in August on ''Separate But Equal,'' also a four-hour miniseries for ABC, starring Oscar-winner Sidney Poitier as Thurgood Marshall. ''Separate But Equal'' is the story of the landmark Brown vs. Board of Education school desegregation case.

The company recently announced an exciting new slate of motion pictures for upcoming release in U.S. home video and, in certain cases, other markets. Included in this group are ''Deceptions,'' ''Night of the Cyclone,'' ''Priceless Beauty'' and ''Cadence.''

''Deceptions'' is a mystery thriller, which has received very positive advance press, starring Harry Hamlin, Nicolette Sheridan and Robert Davi. ''Night of the Cyclone'' is an action drama featuring Kris Kristofferson

and Marisa Berenson. ''Priceless Beauty,'' a tale of love and illusion, stars Christopher Lambert and Diane Lane.

''Cadence,'' starring Charlie Sheen and Martin Sheen in Martin Sheen's directorial debut, has been licensed to New Line Cinema for U.S. theatrical release in January 1991, prior to the company releasing it to domestic home video.

Republic Pictures Corp. is a producer of television programming and a distributor to the worldwide television and video markets.

In addition to its own television productions, Republic distributes television and theatrical films produced by other companies, as well as Republic's extensive library of classic films and off-network television series, including ''Beauty and the Beast,'' ''High Noon,'' ''The Quiet Man'' and ''Bonanza.''

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PALO ALTO, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Collagen Corp. Tuesday announced a 33 percent increase in net income to $4,095,000, or 46 cents per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, compared with $3,071,000, or 37 cents per share, during the prior year.

Earnings per share increased 35 percent before inclusion of a 3 cents per share tax loss carry-forward recognized in 1989. Total revenues for fiscal 1990 were $54,347,000, an increase of 26 percent over last year's revenues of $43,173,000.

Total product sales for the year increased 35 percent to $50,959,000. Research and development expenses for the year were $14,975,000 compared to $13,612,000 during the previous year.

For the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, Collagen reported net income of $1,310,000, or 15 cents per share, on revenues of $14,442,000. Fourth quarter earnings per share grew by 25 percent. This compares with net income of $1,020,000, or 12 cents per share, on revenues of $12,417,000 during the like period the previous year.

Product revenues for the fourth quarter grew 22 percent to $13,815,000 from $11,279,000 in the like period of fiscal 1989.

''We are very pleased with our product sales and earnings for both the

fiscal year and the fourth quarter,'' said Howard Palefsky, Collagen's president and chief executive officer. ''The company's performance reflects strong product sales growth with prudent cost containment, resulting in the improved earnings.''

Collagen Biomedical reported continuing strong product sales of $41,398,000 for 1990, an increase of 29 percent over last year, primarily due to increased physician and patient demand and improved pricing. Collagen Biomedical's international product sales increased 18 percent to $9,204,000 for fiscal 1990.

Target Therapeutics Inc., the company's specialty catheter subsidiary, reported a sales gain of 76 percent to $9,067,000.

Celtrix, the company's research and development subsidiary, is focusing on the development of therapeutic products based on naturally occurring, biologically active peptides, including the company's proprietary Transforming Growth Factor beta, type 2 (TGFb2).

Collagen is refining its plans for Celtrix and currently anticipates paying a special dividend to its shareholders of all Celtrix stock, pending receipt of certain approvals. Collagen expects the initial capitalization for Celtrix to be approximately $20 million in cash, in addition to technology, personnel, assets and liabilities specific to Celtrix.

Following the dividend, if approved, Collagen expects to continue investing a significant percentage of its product revenues in collagen based research and development. Contigen Bard Collagen Implant and Collagraft Bone Graft Substitute, products developed by Celtrix, will remain with Collagen Corp. when the two companies separate.

Collagen Corp. is a scientific and commercial leader in applying the science of cell biology to healing human tissue.

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SAN LORENZO, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - McGrath RentCorp released the results of operations for the quarter ended June 30.

Rental revenues for the three months increased 20 percent from $7,020,135

in 1989 to $8,392,945 in 1990 and increased 20 percent for the six months from $13,758,884 in 1989 to $16,546,618 in 1990. Significant increases in sales were reported in both the three and six month periods.

Earnings for the three month period increased 31 percent from $1,696,061 in 1989 to $2,226,717 in 1990, with earnings per share increasing 31 percent from 45 cents per share in 1989 to 59 cents per share in 1990.

Earnings for the six month period increased 38 percent from $3,288,188 in 1989 to $4,530,505 in 1990, with earnings per share increasing 45 percent from 83 cents per share in 1989 to $1.20 per share in 1990.

McGrath RentCorp
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenues:				
Rental operations:				
Rental	$8,392,945	$7,020,135	$16,546,618	$13,758,884
Rental related services	1,597,114	1,292,644	3,321,614	2,469,065
Management fees and operating payments from investor owners	225,659	218,206	438,502	434,792
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	10,215,718	8,530,985	20,306,734	16,662,741
Sales	2,062,428	847,282	3,697,522	1,502,924
Total revenues	12,278,146	9,378,267	24,004,256	18,165,665
Expenses: Direct costs of rental operations:				
Depreciation	1,553,677	1,335,079	3,046,163	2,621,946
Rental related services	1,140,976	903,346	2,379,555	1,801,249
Other	952,382	671,378	1,786,036	1,312,779
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	3,647,035	2,909,803	7,211,754	5,735,974
Cost of sales	1,508,245	627,011	2,689,179	1,143,828
Selling and administrative	2,144,960	1,708,565	4,061,259	3,315,282
Interest	1,181,935	1,183,220	2,318,736	2,251,993
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	8,482,175	6,428,599	16,280,928	12,447,077
Earnings before income taxes	3,795,971	2,949,668	7,723,328	5,718,588
Provision for income taxes	1,569,254	1,253,607	3,192,823	2,430,400

Net earnings	$2,226,717	$1,696,061	$4,530,505	$3,288,188
Earnings per share	59 cents	45 cents	$1.20	83 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,802,958	3,769,332	3,790,937	3,965,408

McGrath RentCorp
Balance Sheet

	6/30/90	12/31/89
Total assets	$116,355,541	$105,797,542
Notes payable	50,052,053	46,877,653
Shareholders' equity	38,029,705	34,041,550

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - John L. Weinberg Tuesday announced his retirement as Senior Partner and Chairman of the Management Committee of Goldman, Sachs & Co., effective Nov. 30, 1990, the end of the firm's fiscal year.

Weinberg had held this position since 1976. He will continue with the firm as Senior Chairman, responsibile for various client relationships and other activities for the firm.

Robert E. Rubin and Stephen Friedman, who have served as Co-Vice Chairmen of the Management Committee since 1987, will become Senior Partners and Co-Chairmen of the Management Committee.

Weinberg joined Goldman Sachs in 1950, becoming a partner in 1956. In 1976 he was named Senior Partner and Co-Chairman of the Management Committee, and then Chairman of the Management Committee in November, 1984 following the retirement of John C. Whitehead who became Deputy Secretary of State in March, 1985. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Princeton University in 1948, and a Master in Business Administration degree from Harvard Graduate School of Business in 1950. He twice saw service with the U.S. Marine Corps, during the Second World War as Second Lieutenant, and during the Korean War as Captain. Weinberg is a director of Capital Holding Corp., Champion International Corp., E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Co., the BFGoodrich Co., Knight-Ridder Inc., the Seagram Co., the Japan Society Inc. and the New York City Partnership Inc. In addition, he is a member of the Chicago Board of Trade, The Business Council, the Council on Foreign Relations and the Advisory Council of

Stamford Graduate School of Business, as well as a Governor and member of the Executive Committee of the New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center and a Charter Trustee of Princeton University. Weinberg, who is married and has two children, resides in Greenwich, Conn.

Rubin joined the firm in 1966, became a Partner in 1971, a member of the Mangement Committee in 1980, and Co-Vice Chairman of the firm in 1987. He served as co-head of the Fixed Income Division with Stephen Friedman from 1985 - 1988 was formerly the head of the Trading and Arbitrage Division, and prior to this had Management Committee responsibility for J. Aron & Company, the firm's commodity & foreign exchange subsidiary.

He received a Bachelor or Arts degree from Harvard University in 1960 and his law degree from Yale Law School in 1964. He is Chairman of the New York City Host Committee for the 1992 Democratic Convention, a Vice-Chairman of the Mount Sinai Medical Center, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Carnegie Corp., a Trustee and Vice-President of the American Ballet Theater Foundation Inc., a Trustee of WNET/Channel THIRTEEN, and he sits on the Capital Markets Advisory Committee of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York International. Rubin, his wife and two chilren, reside in Manhattan.

Stephen Freidman was graduated from Cornell University in 1959 and received his law degree from Columbia University Law School in 1962, where he was an editor of the Law Review. He joined Goldman Sachs in 1966, was elected a Partner in 1973, became a member of the Management Committee in 1982 and Vice Chairman of the firm in 1987. He headed the Mergers and Acquisitions Department for many years, and subsequently was co-head of the Investment Banking and the Fixed Income Divisions. Among his other outside affiliations, he is a Director and Member of the Executive Committee of Witco Chemical Corp., a Trustee of Columbia University and the American AAU Foundation, and a Member on the Council on Foreign Relations. Friedman, who is married and has three children, resides in Manhattan.

Founded in 1869, Goldman, Sachs & Co. is a leading international investment bank and brokerage firm, with 22 offices worldwide: New York, London, Tokyo, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Detroit, Hong Kong, Houston, Los Angeles, Madrid, Memphis, Miami, Montreal, Paris, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Singapore, Sydney, Toronto, Washington D.C. and Zurich.

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VALENCIA, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - HR Textron Inc. Tuesday announced the appointment of Joseph S. Edwards to the position of vice president of finance.

Edwards, 43, will be responsible for all of HR Textron's financial activities, which include accounting, pricing and negotiation, planning and analysis, information systems, government accounting and internal audit for both the headquarters facility in Valencia and the company's Pacoima operations.

''Having held senior financial positions with both commercial and defense and aerospace manufacturing companies, Joe brings to us a diversified financial expertise that will be invaluable, particularly at a time when we at HR Textron, like most defense and aerospace companies, are looking to expand our commercial product base,'' said Richard J. Millman, president of HR Textron.

''He is a solid addition to our executive management team.''

Immediately prior to joining HR Textron, Edwards was controller for Delco Systems Operations of General Motors Hughes Electronics in Goleta, Calif., where he was responsible for directing all financial activities for the 2,000-employee organization.

Other managerial positions included dual responsibility as both assistant group controller for the Missile Systems Group's Canoga Park, Calif., company, and chief financial officer for their 8,000-employee Tucson, Ariz., facility. Before that, Edwards was assistant controller for the Santa Barbara Research Center, a manufacturer of infrared devices for commercial satellite, NASA and DoD applications.

Edwards received a bachelor's degree in economics from Hofstra University in Hempstead, N.Y., and a master's degree in accounting from Fairleigh Dickinson University in Rutherford, N.J.

In his new position, Edwards replaces A. J. Grillo, who will return to the East Coast to pursue other business interests.

HR Textron designs and produces servovalves, control actuation systems, automatic test equipment and other aerospace components for numerous helicopter, fixed-wing aircraft and missiles and space vehicle applications.

HR Textron is a subsidiary of Textron Inc., a multi-industry company with operations focused in three business sectors -- aerospace technology, commercial products and financial services. With headquarters in Providence, R.I., Textron's 1989 revenues were over $7.4 billion.

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LEVITTOWN, NY (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Quantech Electronics Corp. (OTC) Tuesday reported results for its first quarter ended June 30.

For its first quarter, the company reported revenues of $611,463 as compared to $653,487 in the prior year's first quarter. The company reported net income of $56,925, or 1 cent per share, as compared to $198,102, or 6 cents per share for the year ago quarter. In the year ago quarter, the company experienced $121,412, or 5 cents per share, of extraordinary income, as compared to $11,841 or $.00 per share, in the current period.

Quantech Electronics Corp., through its AAA Installation and Maintenance subsidiary, is believed to be the largest independent consumer electronics service organization in the greater New York metropolitan area.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Actel Corp., a leading supplier of Field Programmable Gate Arrays (FPGAs), Tuesday unveiled the ACT 2 product family, the industy's highest capacity devices and a new generation of advanced FPGAs that take direct aim at meeting the requirements of mainstream logic-integration applications.

Ranging in density to 8,000 masked gate array equivalent gates, the ACT 2 family represents the industry's most advanced devices with nearly three times the capacity and twice the performance of competitive offerings.

According to The Technology Research Group (TRG), a Boston-based market research firm, the 8,000-gate density and 60-MHz system performance of the A1280, represent the capacity and speed needed to satisfy more than 66 percent of today's masked gate array designs.

As such, the A1280 can easily provide mainstream logic designers with a viable programmable device alternative for low- to medium-volume production needs. As an alternative to low-volume gate arrays, FPGAs shorten a product's time to market, eliminating the long device turnaround times typically associated with masked gate arrays.

As a logic integration alternative to TTL and PALs, FPGAs provide lower overall cost and more efficient use of the printed circuit board area.

John East, president and chief executive officer of Actel, remarked that the ACT 2 family represents a dramatic improvement in FPGA technology and firmly establishes Actel in a rapidly expanding, high density FPGA market.

The ACT 2 family, processed in a proven 1.2-micron CMOS technology, consists of the A1280, A1240 and A1225 devices of 8,000, 4,000 and 2,500 gate-array equivalent gates.

Also introduced by Actel is its new design automation system, the Action Logic System (ALS) Release 2.0, the most sophisticated environment to date for configuring Actel FPGA devices; and the Activator 2, Actel's programming hardware that now allows four devices to be configured simultaneously.

Actel Corp., inventor of the PLICE antifuse, offers the ACT 1 and ACT 2 family of field programmable gate arrays. Offering a channeled gate array architecture, the desktop-configurable devices allow production units to be configured in minutes without expensive non-recurring engineering costs.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - William & Clarissa Inc. (NASDAQ:WMCL) Tuesday reported that net sales for the second quarter of its 1990 fiscal year, ended June 30, were $1,906,300, compared to $73,200 in the second quarter of 1989 and $976,100 in the first quarter of 1990.

The net loss for the quarter was $2,968,600, or 91 cents per share. In the corresponding period of 1989 a net loss of $375,700, or 17 cents per share was reported.

''The significant sales growth is the result of the successful introduction of our new Kids William & Clarissa product line following initial shipments in March 1990,'' commented William A. Meyer, president and chief executive officer.

''We are very pleased with the initial trade and consumer response to the kids line,'' added Meyer. ''The substantial operating loss in the second quarter reflects marketing and advertising expenses associated with the

new line's introduction, including extensive nationwide media advertising.

''These costs will be at much lower levels in the second half of the year. In addition, costs of approximately $490,000 were incurred in the second quarter in connection with phasing out our original William & Clarissa product line. This will allow us to focus our efforts entirely on the larger opportunities offered by the mass retail market.''

The Kids William & Clarissa line consists of 16 personal care products formulated especially for children, including tear-free shampoo, lotion, liquid soap, cornstarch powder, bubble bath, sun block, lip balm and cologne.

All products are hypoallergenic, dermatologically tested, contain no animal ingredients, and are not tested on animals. The company is marketing this line to drug stores, mass merchandisers and supermarkets nationwide.

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NORTH STONINGTON, Conn. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Analysis & Technology Inc. (A&T)(NASDAQ:AATI) has announced that its subsidiary, Applied Science Associates Inc. (ASA) has been notified that Loral Defense Systems (LDS-Akron) was awarded a contract on which ASA is a subcontractor.

The contract, awarded by the U.S. Air Force Aeronautical Systems Division, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, is to develop, operate, and support an Aircrew Training System for the Special Operations Forces (SOF).

ASA will have primary responsibility for developing all courseware materials for all crew positions for five fixed-wing aircraft and two helicopter aircraft. Two subcontract options, for the MC-130H Combat Talon II and the MC-130E Combat Talon I fixed-wing aircraft, have been negotiated for a total value of $6.7 million, which will be incrementally funded.

With all options exercised, the contract will have a value of over $19 million.

ASA, a wholly owned subsidiary of A&T, provides specialized training services to industry and government. A&T specializes in engineering services to the U.S. Navy for submarines and antisubmarine warfare.

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TEMPE, AZ (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Circuit Research Labs, Inc. (NASDAQ:CRLI) Tuesday announced unaudited results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the second quarter of 1990 rose 20.4% to $808,723 representing the highest quarterly sales volume in the Company's history, from $671,618, in the same period last year. Net income increased 31.5% to $145,562 or $.03 per share, up from $110,663 or $.02 per share last year.

Revenues for the first half of 1990 increased 25% to $1,351,646 from $1,083,465 in the first six months of 1989. Net income was up 200% to $169,002 or $.03 per share, compared to $56,113 or $.01 per share last year.

Ronald R. Jones, Chairman, President and CEO, commented, ''Our second quarter results were positively impacted by the sale of equipment required by AM radio broadcast stations to meet more stringent quality requirements. Since most stations have now met this requirement, CRL's sales of this equipment are expected to decline in future quarters.

''In April, we introduced a number of new products at our national trade show which received very positive customer response. We expect these new products will begin to generate revenues in the fourth quarter. In addition, we are considering the acquisiton of complementary products to further enhance our product line.''

Circuit Research Labs, Inc. manufactures and markets electronic audio processing and encoding equipment for the broadcast industry and noise reduction systems for the professional audio industry.

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DANVERS, Mass. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - ABIOMED Inc. (AMEX:ABD) Tuesday reported fiscal 1991 financial results for the first quarter ended June 30

1990.

There was a net loss of $755,000, or 12 cents per share on consolidated revenues of $1,001,000. This compares with a loss of $434,000, or 9 cents per share on consolidated revenues of $1,040,000 for the same period last year.

The company noted that the financial results for this quarter were affected several factors, including: (a) the start-up costs associated with initiation of domestic sales of the PerioTemp System; (b) increased development costs for the ICS System in preparation for expanded clinical studies; and (c) a slowdown in foreign sales of the BVS system.

The slowdown is due, in part, to a temporary shift in priorities to emphasize activities related to the company's application to the FDA for approval of domestic BVS sales, and to the company's ongoing management reoganization to strengthen its marketing and sales capabilities which, in the short term, has diverted attention from its foreign sales efforts.

The company expects to experience continued quarter-to-quarter fluctuations in revenues and earnings until it has achieved full market introduction of the PerioTemp System and has received approval for domestic sales of the BVS System.

Based in Danvers, Mass., ABIOMED Inc. develops innovative medical and dental products and is a leader in the research and development of cardiac support systems.

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DALLAS (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Tuesday Morning Inc. showed improvement in second-quarter profits from the first quarter 1990 loss, announced Lloyd L. Ross, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Tuesday Morning Inc. (NASDAQ: TUES).

For the second quarter of 1990, Tuesday Morning achieved a net income of $658,330, or 17 cents per share, which is the highest second-quarter profit in the history of the company. These results exceeded the $631,450, or 16 cents a share posted in the second quarter of 1989.

Total revenues in the quarter rose 9 percent to $23.9 million from $22 million in 1989. For the first half of the year, revenues rose 11 percent to $39.8 million, compared to the $35.9 million reported in the first half of last year. Comparable store sales for the first half of 1990 are 1.06 percent.

The strong second-quarter performance reversed the company's soft first quarter, which had losses larger than the previous year. For the first half of 1990, Tuesday Morning showed a loss of 17 cents a share, or $657,485, compared to the 3 cents, or $120,789 loss in 1989.

Tuesday Morning is a growing chain of 123 deep-discount closeout gift stores in 20 states that anticipates having 132 stores open for the fourth quarter holiday selling season, compared to 114 last year.

The stores are open four times a year on an event basis during the retail industry's peak selling seasons. Each location offers thousands of closeout items in categories that include gifts, crystal, luggage, linens, toys and seasonal items such as holiday trim.

All merchandise is sold at 50 to 80 percent off retail prices, and the firm specializes in famous-maker, first quality merchandise, which is often found in prestigious department and specialty stores.

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Alanco Resources Corp. (NASDAQ:ALAN), a publicly traded, diversified natural resources company, has set its technological sights firmly on a troubling national air pollution problem and its solution.

On July 31, in Prescott Valley, Ariz., Asphalt Paving Co. began use of their new EcoTech Air Pollution system, installed by Environetics Inc. The air pollution control system is expected to revolutionize the asphalt hot mix industry as well as have a major impact on numerous other companies with air pollution problems.

Using a dry process requiring no disposal of water or cleaning of bag houses, the EcoTech system can clean most hot gas streams of both particulate and pollutants while not requiring the hot gases to be cooled.

Alanco, through its subsidiary company, Environetics Inc. and former partners, has developed breakthrough technology which could clean up thousands of landfills, provide EPA compliance for the asphalt industry and provide a new product for asphalt paving, rubberized asphalt.

Along with the effective disposal of toxic wastes in the environment, an ever-escalating problem is the removal and reclamation of the literally hundreds of millions of used tires which blight the landscape in virtually every county of every state, nationwide.

Jones added that it has taken 12 years and in excess of $9 million to develop this process to its present state. The EcoTech system, in which Alanco originally became interested for mining and milling of precious minerals, is expected to meet EPA air quality standards, thus making the manufacturing of rubberized asphalt economically feasible.

Though proven in pilot tests, the asphalt paving installation will be the first full-sized system and through a special arrangement, Environetics Inc. will be able to use this system to test numerous applications of the EcoTech system. ''The marketable use of the technology is almost unlimited,'' states Jones.

Rubberized asphalt is extremely desirable because it will expand and contract, making it much less susceptible to cracking, thereby preventing water from seeping underneath, destroying a roadway.

Alanco, which has a 20-year history in the sophisticated recovery of various natural resources, feels this development creates a benchmark for its further diversification into areas where fundamental technological research and development can benefit the public at large.

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Pinnacle Environmental Inc. (NASDAQ:PENV) Tuesday reported that revenues increased 28 percent to $5,887,000 for the year ended March 31, 1990 from $4,616,000 in the prior year.

Net income from continuing operations increased 35 percent to $323,586, equal to 23 cents per share, compared with net income of $237,663, or 17 cents per share, in the previous year.

On a pro forma combined basis, including Rex Industries and Insulation Distributors which were acquired May 18, 1990, on the effective date of Pinnacle's public offering, revenues for the combined companies increased 14 percent to $9.9 million for the year ended March 31, 1990, from $8.7 million in the prior year. Net income from continuing operations increased 48 percent to $686,000, equal to 39 cents per share, compared with net income of $463,000, or 27 cents per share.

Higher net income for both the company and the combined companies as compared to the previous year resulted from increased sales, higher gross margins, and broad increase in the demand for all of the company's services.

Rex Crosland, chairman and chief executive officer of Pinnacle Environmental Inc., stated, ''We are particularly pleased with the growing strength of our industrial asbestos abatement divisions, which continue to increase their gross margins and profitability.

''As a consequence of our successful initial public offering, Pinnacle's current financial position is the strongest in the company's history.''

Pinnacle Environmental Inc. provides industrial asbestos abatement and insulation services. The company also distributes industrial insulation products and materials, both to customers in connection with providing insulation services and to others, and fabricates specialty steel items.

Its principal customers are industrial concerns or governmental bodies that own or operate fossil fuel or nuclear power plants, petroleum refineries, chemical processing complexes, mineral smelters, steel mills, and other plants and facilities. The company services the Intermountain states of Utah, Idaho, Wyoming, Nevada, Arizona, Colorado and New Mexico.

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PORTSMOUTH, N.H. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Portsmouth Bank Shares Inc., Portsmouth, N.H. (NASDAQ:POBS) declared a $.12 per share regular quarterly dividend that will be payable on Sept. 15 1990, to shareholders of record as of Sept. 1, 1990.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Projectavision, Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol: PJTVU) announced that its Board of Directors has authorized a reduction in the exercise price of its outstanding five-year redeemable common stock purchase warrants to $3.00 from $6.30.

Projectavision, Inc. (the ''Company'') pursuant to its initial public

offering declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 24, 1990, offered and sold 800,000 units (the ''Units'') on July 31, 1990, at a price of $5.25 per Unit.

Each Unit consists of one share of common stock, par value $.0001 per share (the ''Common Stock''), and one five-year redeemable common stock purchase warrant (the ''Redeemable Warrant''). The securities comprising the Units are not separately transferable or detachable until August 24, 1991, or such earlier date as is determined by Rosenkrantz Lyon & Ross Incorporated, the Underwriter of the Company's initial public offering.

The Company has decided, in its discretion, to reduce the exercise price of the Redeemable Warrants. Accordingly, upon separation,each Redeemable Warrant shall entitle its holder to purchase one share of Common Stock at the reduced exercise price of $3.00 per share of Common Stock until July 23, 1995.

The Company has reduced the exercise price of its Redeemable Warrants in response to the recent, unexpected turbulence in the securities markets caused by such factors as the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and recently released statistics regarding recession and unemployment.

The Company is developing a solid state television projector utilizing its proprietary, patent-pending technology, which is designed to produce a sharp, bright, giant color picture display on a screen or on any white or light colored wall or ceiling. The Company anticipates that its technology will be capable of producing giant screen displays that are bright and sharp, have rich color saturation and high contrast and that are relatively inexpensive to produce in comparison to existing projection television systems.

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DALLAS (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Transcontinental Realty Investors (NYSE:TCI) Tuesday announced the results of its annual meeting of shareholders which was completed on Aug. 10, 1990.

Shareholders approved the incorporation of the trust into a Delaware corporation, approvd the advisory agreement with National Realty Advisors Inc. and approved the nominees for the board of directors.

''We are particularly pleased that we can now operate as a Delaware corporation,'' said a spokesperson for the trust. ''This will allow Transcontinental Realty to continue actively managing and improving the real estate and mortgage portfolios.''

Transcontinental Realty Investors is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Disease Detection International Inc. (NASDAQ:DDII) announced Tuesday that the company has received the necessary FDA (510k) pre-market approval to sell its herpes simplex virus (HSV) antibody test.

The rapid whole blood elisa test kit enables physicians and hospitals to determine a patient's past exposure to both herpes simplex virus I and II in less than 10 minutes, compared to the three hour elisa methods currently used. The new SeroCard test kit screens for HSV I and II simultaneously, whereas the company's previous test required two individual test cards.

H. Thad Morris, president and chief executive officer of DDI, noted that this approval will enable the company to launch its complete product line to the physician's office market for screening expectant mothers for a variety of infectious diseases.

Disease Detection International plans to introduce its rapid test kits to the physician's office market in mid-September during the Health Industry Distributor's Association (HIDA) national convention in Baltimore.

Morris also stated the the company will sell its products directly to the 200-dealer network formerly used by Access Medical Systems of Branford, Conn. The Access/DDI exclusive distribution relationship has been terminated, allowing DDI to sell directly to the various companies reponsible for purchasing over $1 million in DDI's pregnancy and strep throat test kits in the first quarter of 1990.

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MT. LAUREL, NJ (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Tyco Toys Inc. (NASDAQ:TTOY) announced Tuesday that its wholly owned subsidiary, TNI Inc., has commenced a tender offer for any and all outstanding shares of common stock of Nasta International Inc. (AMEX:NAS) at a price of $1.00 per share payable in cash.

The tender offer is scheduled to expire Sept. 11, unless extended. The tender offer is not subject to a minimum tender condition. Copies of the offer documents may be obtained from, and questions may be addressed to, Shareholder Communicaions Corp. (212/809-3600 or 800/678-9606) which is acting as information agent for the offer.

Tyco markets a broad range of toys.

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GREAT NECK, NY (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - BRT REALTY TRUST (NYSE Symbol: BRT) Tuesday announced results of operations for the nine months and third quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 were $24,019,000 compared to revenues of $25,521,000 reported for the same period in the prior fiscal year. Operating income for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 was $5,505,000, or $0.75 per share, compared to $12,718,000, or $1.73 per share, for the nine months ended June 30, 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 was $6,390,000, or $0.87 per share, as compared to net income for the 1989 nine month period of $13,327,000, or $1.81 per share. Net income for the 1990 nine month period is after a provision for possible losses of $5,600,000, whereas the provision for the comparable 1989 nine month period was $900,000.

In the 1990 nine month period, the Trust realized a gain on the sale of real estate and foreclosed property of $885,000, or $0.12 per share. In the comparable nine month period in 1989, the Trust had a gain on the sale of marketable securities of $609,000, or $0.08 per share. The weighted average number of shares outstanding during the nine months ended June 30, 1990 was 7,363,850 compared to 7,350,195 during the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $7,683,000 compared to revenues of $8,507,000 for the same three month period in fiscal 1989. Operating income for the third quarter was $279,000, or $0.04 per share, versus $4,096,000, or $0.56 per share, reported for the

quarter ended June 30, 1989. Net income for the three months ended June 30, 1990 was $1,164,000, or $0.16 per share, compared to net income for the comparable quarter in fiscal 1989 of $4,096,000, or $0.56 per share.

Net income for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 is after a provision for possible losses of $2,600,000, versus a provision for the 1989 three month period of $600,000.

In the quarter ended June 30, 1990, the Trust realized a gain on the sale of real estate and foreclosed property of $885,000, or $0.12 per share; there was no such gain in the comparable 1989 quarter. The weighted average number of shares outstanding during the three months ended June 30 1990 was 7,346,624 as compared to 7,373,029 for the three months ended June 1989.

Commenting on the results for the nine and three month periods ended June 30, 1990, Israel Rosenzweig, President of BRT REALTY TRUST, noted that the principal reason for the decrease in the Trust's operating income is the provision for possible losses of $5,600,000 and $2,600,000, taken in the respective nine and three month periods of 1990, as compared to $900,000 and $600,000 in the respective 1989 periods.

He stated that the Trust analyzes its portfolio on a quarterly basis and that provisions are taken by the Trust when required in order to reflect market conditions. He also noted that accelerated problems in many real estate markets, including Metropolitan New York real estate market, and a developing liquidity problem in the real estate industry, were among the factors the Trust considered in deciding to take a $2,600,000 provision in the June 30, 1990 quarter, bringing the total allowance for possible losses to $5,455,000.

Mr. Rosenzweig stated that an additional factor affecting operating income in the nine month and three month periods was the increase in non-earning loans and real estate acquired by foreclosure held for sale from $7,381,000, net of allowances, at September 30, 1989, to $42,241,000, net of allowances, at June 30, 1990.

Included in the $42,241,000 is an asset encumbered by a non- recourse loan in the amount of $11,506,000 on a property acquired by the Trust in foreclosure in the third quarter of 1990. At June 30, 1990, non-earning loans and real estate acquired by foreclosure held for sale aggregated 13% of total assets, net of the previously mentioned non-recourse debt.

Further, an increase in interest expense caused primarily by increased borrowings to fund an increase in the loan portfolio and an increase in general and administrative expenses, due in part to professional fees incurred in foreclosure proceedings instituted by the Trust, were other factors which caused the decrease in operating income.

Mr. Rosenzweig further commented that as a result of continued activity in the Texas marketplace a total of approximately 14% of the mortgage portfolio at June 30, 1990 relates to the Trust's Texas activity. These loans are primarily medium term participating loans and although these loans contribute less to short term revenues then the Trust's short term loans, they should provide long term benefits since the Trust will participate in the incremental value of the real estate.

BRT REALTY TRUST is a mortgage-oriented real estate investment trust (REIT).

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ALBUQUERQUE, NM (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Diagnostek Inc. (NASDAQ:DXTK) Tuesday announced net earnings of $2,508,000 or 11 cents per share on revenues of $45,090,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Net earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, increased 47 percent over net earnings for the same period in 1989 of $1,403,000 and earnings per share increased 38 percent over that of the same period in 1989 of 8 cents.

Revenues for the quarter increased $23 million compared to the same period in 1989, an increase of 106 percent. The increase in revenues was attributable to revenues from the addition of HPI Health Care Services, Diagnostek's hospital pharmacy operation, and to increased revenues from HCS, Diagnostek's mail service prescription drug operation.

The acquisition of HPI was completed by Diagnostek last August and was effective Aug. 1, 1989.

Nunzio P. DeSantis, chairman of the board and chief executive officer stated, ''Mail service prescription drug operations continue to show strong growth in revenues and profitability. Our recent acquisition of EPIC Health Group Inc. firmly places Diagnostek as the second largest mail service pharmacy in the country.

''Our hospital pharmacy operation continues to contribute positively to our earnings although the cyclical nature of HPI's revenues has affected the first quarter's profitability. However, the profitability levels achieved are within our expectations.''

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APPLETON, WI (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Air Wis Services Inc. reports combined results of its Air Wisconsin and Aspen Airways units, both operating as United Express.

Prior year Aspen results are not included. Revenue passenger miles (RPMs) - (one passenger flown one mile) for July were 45.9 million, up 16.7 percent.

Available seat miles (ASMs) for July were 90.2 million, an increase of 12.5 percent from the same month in 1989. Load factor for the month was 50.9 percent compared to 49.1 percent for July 1989. Passenger boardings of 227,300 were 20.0 percent above last July.

Air Wisconsin will celebrate 25 years of continuous scheduled flight operations on Aug. 23. On this date in 1965, the airline commenced non-stop service between its Appleton headquarters and Chicago O'Hare International Airport.

Air Wis Services Inc. is a publicly owned company trading on the National Market System of the OTC Market, under the symbol ARWS.

Traffic Statistics

Month of July

	1990	1989	Change
Revenue passenger miles (RPMs)	45,951,396	39,359,494	+16.7 pct
Available seat miles (ASMs)	90,222,738	80,170,926	+12.5 pct
Passenger load factor	50.9 pct	49.1 pct	+ 1.8 pts
Passengers enplaned	227,290	189,426	+20.0 pct

Year to Date

	1990	1989	Change
Revenue passenger miles	268,272,000	249,417,201	+ 7.6 pct
Available seat miles	601,626,708	527,004,232	+14.2 pct
Passenger load factor	44.6 pct	47.3 pct	- 2.7 pts
Passengers enplaned	1,318,256	1,271,657	+ 3.7 pct

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Precision Standard Inc. (NASDAQ:PCSN) announced that it earned $312,000 (or 3 cents a share) for the three months ended June 30, 1990, on net sales of $32.8 million vs. $1,682,000 (or 13 cents a share) on net sales of $32.7 million for the three month period ended June 30, 1989.

The company said that it earned $1,280,000 (or 10 cents a share) for the six months ended June 30, 1990, on net sales of $61.7 million vs. $2,195,000 (or 17 cents a share) on net sales of $60.7 million for the six month period ended June 30, 1989.

Results for the comparable year earlier period were adversely impacted by a $923,000 non-cash purchase accounting adjustment taken in connection with the company's September 1988 purchase of Hayes International Corp.

Matthew L. Gold, the company's president, stated that the results for the second quarter were down primarily due to unexpectedly high overhead rates resulting from slower than anticipated volume recovery following the 16 week work stoppage at the company's Birmingham facility which was settled in mid-January.

Gold said that the Birmingham operations improvement program which the company announced in late June alreay had generated some savings. He cautioned, however, that these savings would not be reflected in the company's results for another few months due to the company's reporting of revenues and expenses under the unit of delivery method of accounting.

Precision Standard, with facilities in Alabama, California, Colorado and Florida and offices in Denver, Boston, and London, performs maintenance and modification of aircraft for the U.S. government and foreign and domestic commercial customers. The company also manufactures aircraft cargo systems, aerial targets for military customers, precision springs and components and rocket vehicles and control systems.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Leisure Technology (NYSE:LVX) Tuesday announced a net loss of $1.8 million for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended June 30, 1990 on revenues of $23.1 million.

For the first quarter of fiscal 1990, the net loss was $825,000 on revenues of $31.9 million.

After deducting preferred dividends, the company reported a primary and fully-diluted loss per share of 42 cents vs. a primary and fully-diluted loss per share of 25 cents a year earlier.

Revenue from housing sales in the first quarter was $22.1 million compared to $24.4 million last year. The company attributed this nominal decline in housing revenues to a reduction in units delivered in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 compared to the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Fiscal 1990's first quarter results included $6.6 million in revenue and $1.6 million in gross profit from land sales. While no land sales occurred in the first quarter of fiscal 1991, the company recognized approximately $1 million of a deferred gross profit from land sales which occurred in prior periods.

The backlog of homes scheduled for future delivery at July 31, 1990 fell to $46.2 million from $110.2 million last year. According to Michael L. Tenzer, chairman and chief executive officer, the decline primarily reflects continued weakness in the market for single-family homes in southern California, although activity at Leisure Technology's active adult communities in California, New Jersey, New York and Florida also has declined.

''The sluggish resale marrket, which has made it increasingly difficult for customers to sell their existing homes and to close on new Leisure Technology homes, is primarily responsible for the decline in the company's operating results and backlog,'' Tenzer said.

Yesterday, Leisure Technology announced that it closed a joint venture partnership with a subsidiary of a Tokyo-based company to develop the final 335 homes at Leisure Village Ocean Hills, an active adult community in Oceanside, Calif., where Leisure Technology has developed and sold approximately 1,300 homes since 1984.

Leisure Technology sold land to the partnership for $15 million in cash, of which approximately $10.5 million was applied to secured borrowings and to expenses of the transaction. The partners anticipate revenues in excess of $110 million from sale of the homes.

The company also announced yesterday that it will make the next interest payment of approximately $1.8 million on its 13-5/8 percent senior subordinated notes due 1996, as scheduled on Sept. 1, 1990, and will not make the Sept. 1, 1990 dividend payment on its $2.25 cumulative convertible exchangeable preferred stock.

Leisure Technology, founded in 1957, is the largest publicly-owned nationwide developer of active adult communities and is currently

developing active adult, single-family or full-service retirement communitites in New Jersey, New York, Florida, Illinois and California.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Sales of Tiffany & Co. (NYSE: TIF) increased 25% and net income rose 27% in the second quarter ended July 31, it was announced Tuesday by William R. Chaney, chairman.

Sales rose to $107,274,000, compared with $85,914,000, in the second quarter a year ago. Earnings were $7,098,000, or 45 cents per share, compared with $5,588,000, or 36 cents per share, in the second quarter.

For the first six months of fiscal 1990, sales increased 26% to a record $200,501,000 from $159,163,000 in the first half of 1989. Net income rose 28% to $12,542,000, or 80 cents per share, compared with $9,821,000, or 63 cents per share, a year earlier.

International Retail sales rose 94% in the second quarter to $40,749,000, and increased 103% in the six months to $76,776,000. U.S. retail sales increased 2% in the second quarter to $50,741,000, and increased 1% for the six month period to $93,644,000. Direct Marketing sales in the second quarter increased 5% to $15,784,000, and grew 5% in the six months to $30,081,000.

Chaney commented, ''Tiffany's overall results in the first six months demonstrate the strength that we draw from our geographic diversity. International Retail sales growth continued at a very strong pace in both the Far East and Europe, and more than compensated for the relatively low growth achieved by our U.S. Retail and Direct Marketing businesses. Sales in the United States, while ahead of last year, are below our expectations. We believe these sales results are due to the current consumer caution which has resulted from regional economic slowdowns.''

He continued, ''Based on our worldwide store expansion, merchandising and marketing plans, we look forward to strong international growth, including further expansion in Japan, the opening of a store in Taiwan later this year and continued development of our presence in Europe.

''We are also optimistic about developments in the U.S. for 1990 and 1991, which include new TIFFANY stores serving the Washington, D.C.,

Philadelphia and San Diego markets, as well as expansion of existing stores in Atlanta, Beverly Hills, Houston and San Francisco,'' Chaney added.

Chaney also reported that Tiffany's board of directors today declared a regular quarterly dividend of seven cents per common share. The dividend will be paid on Oct. 10, to stockholders of record on Sept. 20.

Tiffany is an internationally renowned retailer with locations in the United States, the Far East and Europe. The company's merchandise offerings include an extensive selection of fine jewelry, sterling silverware, china, crystal, watches, clocks, stationery, leather goods, scarves and fragrances.

In addition to its flagship New York store, Tiffany operates retail stores in Atlanta, Beverly Hills, Boston, Chicago, Costa Mesa, Dallas, Houston, San Francisco and the Washington, D.C. area. Exclusive TIFFANY & CO. merchandise is also offered through a select group of prestigious jewelers and specialty retailers in other cities. Direct Marketing is carried out through the Corporate Division and the TIFFANY SELECTIONS catalog. International Retail sales are made through Mitsukoshi department stores and a wholesale distributor in Japan, TIFFANY & CO. stores in London, Munich, Zurich and Hong Kong, and through FARAONE stores in Milan and Florence.

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CHARLESTON, WV (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of City Holding Co. (NASDAQ: CHCO), a five bank holding company headquartered in Charleston, announces an increase in its third quarterly dividend.

The dividend, payable on Sept. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Sept. 1, 1990, will be 11 cents per share. This represents an increase of 10 percent in City Holding Co.'s regular quarterly dividend.

As previously announced, City Holding Co. reported record earnings for the six month period ended June 30, 1990. Net income was $1,406,000, an increase of 20.6 percent over that reported for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

City Holding Co. common stock is publicly traded ''Over-The-Counter'' on the NASDAQ national Market System under the symbol CHCO.

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AUSTIN, TX (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - American Physicians Service Group Inc. (APS) (NASDAQ:AMPH) Tuesday announced results for the second quarter of 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, revenues declined to $3,355,000 from $3,811,000 in the year-ago period. Net earnings amounted to $69,000, or 1 cent per share, vs. $393,000, or 8 cents per share, in 1989.

For the first six months, APS reported revenues of $6,115,000 vs. $7,279,000 in 1989. A net loss of $165,000, or 3 cents per share, compares to income of $810,000, or 16 cents per share, in 1989.

Expected losses at the company's 42 percent owned affiliate, Prime Medical Services Inc. (Prime) contributed to the lower earnings as did lower interest income resulting from the purchase for cash of the interest in Prime in the fourth quarter of 1989.

Ken Shifrin, APS chairman and chief executive officer stated, ''Prime's development continues on-track. Operational and administrative progress is encouraging and should begin producing improved results as we approach year-end.'' Prime is a leading provider of non-medical management services for seven diagnostic imaging centers and 47 cardiac rehabilitation clinics.

Bill Hayes, vice president - finance said, ''Lower sales, particularly at our insurance management subsidiary, have been the cause of lower earnings in 1990, but we expect plans implemented earlier to begin to have a positive effect on the sales trend.'' He cited the improved financial condition of the managed insurance companies, two recently signed contracts at the software company, and expansion of the brokerage business as results of these plans.

APS is a financial services firm, with subsidiaries and affiliates that provide: management of medical malpractice insurance companies; third party medical and dental administration services; brokerage, financial planning and investment services to individuals and institutions; computer systems for large medical clinics and university medical schools; Hispanic yellow page directories; and management of cardiac rehabilitation and diagnostic imaging centers through its Prime Medical affiliate.

Its corporate headquarters are located in Austin, with regional offices in San Antonio, Dallas and Little Rock, Ark.

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BOSTON (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Clinical Data Inc. (NASDAQ:CLDA), a multinational medical company Tuesday reported sales and earnings for its first fiscal quarter ending June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the three month period were $2.63 million compared with $1.97 million for the same period a year ago. The company showed a net profit for the period of $179,000, or 6 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $145,000, or 5 cents per share, for the first quarter a year ago.

Israel M. Stein, M.D., president, commenting on the results stated, ''We are encouraged by the performance of our Dutch subsidiary, Vital Scientific, and with our domestic business units which have resulted in restoring our operating profitability. We continue to search for appropriate acquisition candidates that will provide us an opportunity for growth in both revenues and earnings.''

Clinical Data Inc. is a multinational medical company offering computer-based services and products for pharmaceutical research, clinical laboratories, and health care practitioners. The company provides ambulatory monitoring services and technology used in cardiovascular drug research.

The company's Dutch subsidiary, Vital Scientific NV, designs and manufactures blood analysis instrumentation which is marketed worldwide. EnviroMed Inc. collects and disposes of medical and hazardous waste from small quantity generators.

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MANCHESTER, NH (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - EnergyNorth Inc. (NASDAQ:ENNI), the parent holding company of EnergyNorth Natural Gas Inc. and EnergyNorth Propane Inc., Tuesday reported financial results for the third fiscal

quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Earnings for the third quarter showed a loss of $647,000, compared to one year ago when earnings showed a loss of $725,000. Third quarter results typically show losses because of the seasonal nature of the natural and propane gas business.

Earnings on a per share basis for the third quarter showed a loss of 25 cents as compared to a loss of 29 cents during the same period last year, based on 2,584,656 and 2,461,046 weighted average shares outstanding, respectively.

The third quarter showed a 10.7 percent increase in the volume of natural gas sold to firm customers compared to the same period one year ago. Retail propane sales increased by more than 18 percent. The weather was 2.6 percent colder compared to the third quarter last year but slightly warmer than normal. Gas utility customers numbered 59,958 as of June 30, 1990, while propane customers rose to more than 6,400.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, operating revenues were $71,651,000, an increase from $65,825,000 in the same period last year. Earnings applicable to common stock for the first nine months of the fiscal year were $6,080,000, or $2.36 per share. This compares to $5,917,000, or $2.43 per share for the same period one year ago.

Operating revenues for the 12 months ended June 30, 1990 increased to $78,782,000 from $73,070,000 in the prior year. Earnings applicable to common stock for the last 12 months were $3,786,000 or $1.47 per share for the previous year. This compares to $4,478,000, or $1.84 per share for the same period last year.

Included in earnings for the 12 months ended June 30, 1989 is $410,000 or 17 cents per share which is attributable to revenues recorded in September 1988 relative to settlement of a rate case in October 1988.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Loral Corp. has been selected to provide sonar systems and fire control electronics for upgraded combat systems to be used aboard Israel's Dolphin-class submarines.

The contract is worth $92.5 million to the team comprised of Loral Defense Systems-Akron, Krupp Atlas Elektronik GmbH of Bremen, West Germany, and selected Israeli subcontractors.

Loral will proceed under limited funding until all State Department and Defense Security Assistance Agency reviews are completed.

The Israeli program marks a continuation of Loral's strategy to become a significant participant in the international antisubmarine warfare market. Last year, a Loral team was selected to provide sonar systems and associated electronics to upgrade Romeo-class submarines for another foreign country.

Under the Israeli program, Loral will supply sonar and fire control systems for two submarines and one land-based test system. Deliveries are expected to begin in 1994.

Loral Defense Systems-Akron has designed and produced a wide range of undersea systems for the U.S. Navy, including the Captor mine and the Mk-30 mobile undersea training target.

Loral Corp. (NYSE:LOR) is a high technology company that primarily designs and manufactures defense electronics.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Howell Corp. announced Tuesday that Byron L. Teufel, Richard N. (Rich) Tyler and Jeffrey C. (Jeff) Lee joined its crude oil marketing unit as, respectively, vice president, operations, vice president, supply and crude oil representative.

During 1990 the crude oil marketing segment has improved its contribution to operating earnings by 15 percent over the same period in 1989. This has been accomplished through significant increases in controlled barrels of crude oil and, consequently, gross revenues. The company expects Teufel Tyler and Lee to continue to expand upon these positive trends.

Teufel commenced his career as a crude oil representative for Koch Oil in the early 1980's. He has almost a decade of experience, with increasing levels of responsibility in all aspects of the crude oil purchasing and marketing business.

Most recently he was a partner in Producer Management Corp., which was primarily engaged in consulting with producers and arranging for them opportunities to share in downstream profits. Teufel has a degree from East Central Oklahoma State University. He is married, with one child.

After receiving his degree from the University of Southwest Louisiana, Tyler started his crude oil purchasing and marketing career in 1981 in Kansas. He quickly moved to Koch Oil, where he remained for over eight years. Tyler managed Koch's Lafayette, La., office during his last three years with that company, where he was responsible for lease purchases of 48,000 barrels of oil per day.

During 1990 he has been an independent crude oil representative for producers, doing business as Tyco Marketing. Tyler is married, with two children.

Howell Corp. (NYSE:HWL) is an energy industry holding company. Through wholly-owned operating units, it is engaged in oil and gas exploration and production, crude oil marketing, technical fuels refining and marketing, custom chemical processing, product terminalling and common carrier bulk liquids transportation of hydrocarbons and chemicals.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUISNESS WIRE - Cache Inc. (NASDAQ:CACH), a specialty chain of sixty-one exclusive women's apparel stores, reported results for the twenty-six and thirteen week periods ended June 30.

Separately, the company announced it has opended the following fourteen new stores since January 1, 1990:

Fashion Square, Sherman Oaks, Calif.; Village at Corte Madera, Corte Madera, Calif.; Valley Fair, Santa Clara, Calif.; The Avenue At Tower City Cleveland, Ohio; Fashion Mall, Plantation, Fla.; The Fashion Center at Pentagon City, Arlinton, Va.; Altamonte Mall, Altamonte Springs, Fla.; Brea Mall, Brea, Calif.; Trump Taj Mahal, Atlantic City, N.J.; Walden Galleria, Buffalo, N.Y.; Bridgewater Commons, Bridgewater, N.J.; Willowbrook Mall, Wayne, N.J.; Fashion Valley, San Diego, Calif.; Arden Fair, Sacremento, Calif.,

CACHE INC.
Financial Highlights
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	13 Weeks Ended	
	June 30, 1990	July 1, 1989
Sales	$ 11,814	$ 8,677
Net income	$ 338	$ 510
Income per share	$ .01	$ .02

Average shares outstanding	34,422,000	33,853,000

	26 Weeks Ended June 30, 1990	July 1, 1989
Sales	$ 20,319	$ 15,648
Net income	$ 6	$ 267
Income per share	$ ---	$ .01
Average shares outstanding	34,257,000	33,801,000

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Leisure Concepts Inc. (NASDAQ:LCIC) announced Tuesday that revenues increased 17% for the second quarter ending June 30.

The company had revenues of $1,316,826 and net income of $168,312 or 5 cents per share, compared with $1,127,416 and net income of $113,787, or 4 cents per share for the same period of 1989.

Stanley A. Weston, chairman and chief executive officer of Leisure Concepts, said the increased performance was due primarily to continuing strong revenues from the Nintendo characters and trademarks, along with increasing interest in the World Wrestling Federation and the addition of new properties such as ''Captain Planet.'' ''The continuing public concern over the environmental issues has brought attention to 'Captain Planet.' We are seeing strong interest from a broad range of marketers for this exciting, new property,'' he said.

Leisure Concepts Inc. with offices in New York and Los Angeles, is the only public company engaged primarily in the business of licensing commercial rights to properties and personalities. Leisure Concepts also owns an equity position in ACTV, the interactive television system.

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CHANTILLY, Va. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - VERDIX Corp. (NASDAQ: VRDX) Tuesday announced a 56 percent increase in first quarter net income on a

24 percent increase in revenue.

The company earned $492,311, or 4 cents per share for the fiscal 1991 first quarter ended June 30, 1990 compared to $315,593, or 3 cents per share a year earlier.

Revenue for the quarter climbed to $3,020,747 from $2,432,280 in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

E. Gary Clark, president and chief executive officer of VERDIX said: ''We are pleased to be able to report continued growth in earnings at the same time as we are increasing our investments in new products, the Verdix Secure Local Area Network (VSLAN) and VADS/APSE, our Technical CASE product line.''

VERDIX Corp. is headquartered in Chantilly, with major software development facilities in Aloha, Ore.

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The TJX Companies, Inc. (NYSE:TJX), the major off-price apparel retail operator of T.J. Maxx, Hit or Miss, Chadwick's of Boston and Winners Apparel Ltd. (Canada), today announced a strong increase in its operating results for the second quarter ended July 28, 1990.

Income from continuing operations was $.21 per share, up 40 percent over comparable earnings per share of $.15 in the prior year. Last year's reported second quarter income of $12.9 million, or $.20 per share from continuing operations is not comparable because it included certain one-time items related to the Company's 1989 restructuring as well as dividend income from Ames Department Stores, Inc. preferred stock which was subsequently fully reserved against by TJX. Thus, this year's second quarter income from continuing operations of $14.4 million, or $.21 per share, compares with an adjusted $10.4 million, or $.15 per share last year.

For the first half of fiscal 1990 income from continuing operations was $29.0 million, versus comparable earnings of $23.9 million in the prior year, adjusted for the effects of the Company's restructuring and the Ames Preferred Stock. Earnings per share from continuing operations increased 23.5 percent for the six month period to $.42 per share, up from an adjusted $.34 per share in the prior year.

Net sales for the second quarter increased 14.4 percent to $572.5 million from $500.3 million last year, bringing sales to $1,086.2 million for the first half, up 12.4 percent over the same period last year.

The TJX Companies, Inc. is a major off-price specialty apparel retailer, with 367 T.J. Maxx stores, 572 Hit or Miss stores, the nation's leading women's fashion off-price mail order catalog, Chadwick's of Boston, and 5 Winners Apparel Ltd. stores in Canada.

Since the company is no longer reflecting the dividend income on the Ames preferred stock, comparable prior year pro forma income from continuing operations is $10.4 million, or $.15 per share for the 13 weeks and $23.9 million, or $.34 per share for the 26 weeks.

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BOSTON (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Clinical Data (NASDAQ:CLDA) announced Tuesday that it has increased its equity ownership in Vital Scientific, NV a Dutch subsidiary, from 56 percent to 88 percent.

In a transaction completed today, Clinical Data purchased 32 percent of the outstanding common shares of Vital Scientific NV from Vondermeden Holding BV, for a cash consideration of DFL 870,040 ($485,000).

Israel M. Stein, M.D., president of Clinical Data Inc., commented, ''As the performance of our Dutch subsidiary continues to improve, we felt that it was appropriate to use our strong financial position to improve our equity participation in this company.''

Clinical Data Inc. is a multinational medical company offering computer-based services and products for pharmaceutical research, clinical laboratories, and health care practitioners. The company provides ambulatory monitoring services and technology used in cardiovascular drug research. The company's Dutch subsidiary, Vital Scientific NV, designs and manufactures blood analysis instrumentation which is marketed worldwide.

EnviroMed Inc. collects and disposes of medical and hazardous waste from small quantity generators.

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VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Battery One-Stop Inc. (ASE: BOSIF) (NASDAQ: BATTF), a specialty retailer of over 1,000 types of batteries and battery powered electronic products, announced Tuesday that three key management personnel of the corporation, including A.William Dittmer, president and director; P. Geoffrey Edmunds, vice president and director; and Larry E. Swaykoski, vice president and director (Management Group) are in the process of closing a transaction previously announced pursuant to which affiliates of The Edward J. DeBartolo Corp., Michael Monus of Youngstown, Ohio, a director of the corporation, F. Stephen Allen of Tulsa, Okla., and other investors (Purchasers) are acquiring 750,000 shares of the common stock of the corporation from the Management Group.

In addition, the corporation has been advised that the Management Group has approached representatives of the Edward J. DeBartolo Corp. and its affiliates and Messrs. Monus and Allen regarding the potential acquisition from the Management Group of the rights of the Management Group to earn and acquire 2,550,000 common shares of the corporation reserved for issuance to the Management Group under an earn-out share agreement dated Dec. 15, 1987, as such rights have been proposed to be amended.

In subsequent discussions representatives of The Edward J. DeBartolo Corp. and its affiliates and Messrs. Monus and Allen have discussed the purchase of options to purchase an additional 322,000 common shares of the corporation from the Management Group as well as the rights to the earn-out shares.

The Management Group has advised the corporation that these discussions have been temporarily halted pending the closing of the 750,00 share transaction described above although the parties currently intend to resume discussions concerning such acquisition in the future. The corporation has been advised that there is no current agreement between any of the parties to purchase either the earn-out shares or the options to purchase shares and there can be no assurance that any transaction contemplated will be consummated.

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LONDON (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - British Gas (NYSE:BRG) Tuesday announced the key senior appointments in its new regional structure, implementing the first stage of the most significant organizational change the company has undertaken for more than a quarter of a century.

Operations directors have been appointed in the 12 British Gas Regions. They will take up their new positions on Sept. 1.

The operations directors, reporting to regional chairmen, will each be responsible for a number of general managers soon to be appointed within regions. Each general manager will be responsible for the day to day needs of about 250,000 customers and will have the devolved authority to respond rapidly to their needs.

British Gas Chairman Robert Evans said, ''The new structure is designed to encourage a single minded concentration on the needs of customers.''

The organization will support the company in its policy of Committment to Customers; will enable British Gas to respond more effectively to changes in the market place and allows for new developments in research and technology to be introduced more quickly and uniformly throughout the company.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers. British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore. Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to 10 ordinary shares.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - PC Quote Inc. Tuesday announced record revenues of $2,505,242 for the quarter ended June 30, compared with $2,185,652 for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

The company reported a net loss of 7 cents per common share compared with a loss of 3 cents per common share in the year earlier period. The net loss was $459,194 compared with a loss of $166,569 for the previous period.

The results were adversely impacted by the costs of investment in three new product lines which are expected to begin producing revenues in the third and fourth quarters.

The company has recently signed a letter of intent with Euro American Group for the provision of its data to satellite subscribers in Europe.

The company also announced that its new HyperFeed product is now in production at another major Wall Street firm in addition to Charles Schwab & Co.

PC Quote is a provider of real-time stock quotations via satellite to customers' personal computers in approximately 1,300 locations in the United States. The company's clients include brokerage firms, banks, insurance companies, professional fund managers, and institutional and individual traders.

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MEMPHIS, TN (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Insituform of North America Inc. (''INA'') (NASDAQ:INSUA (Class A Common Stock)) Tuesday reported financial results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30.

Total revenues for the second quarter were $5,184,870 compared to last year's $5,560,412. Second quarter net income was $617,892, or $.08 per share compared to $1,052,129, or $.13 per share in last year's second quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, total revenues were $10,311,198, as compared to $10,397,410 in the first six months of 1989. Net income was $978,356, or $.13 per share in the first six months of 1990 versus $1,565,358, or $.20 per share in the same period one year earlier.

The company stated that the decline in revenues in the second quarter was due to both continuing softness in contract award activities experienced by many of its licensees and a concomitant decrease in the volume of Insitutubes (R) shipped to licensees. This softness was also reflected in lower royalty income during the period.

At the same time, completion of the development of the NuPipe (R) technology and its attendant market introduction expenses increased as the company's subsidiaries NU-PIPE, Inc. and NU PIPE Limited began performing demonstration installations of this new product. These expenses totaled approximately $891,000 for the second quarter and $1,387,000 for the six

months just ended versus $361,000 and $731,000 for the same periods during 1989.

Commenting, James D. Krugman, Chairman and CEO of Insituform of North America, stated, ''The delays in contract awards are, we believe, a result of the discontinuity of funding for infrastructure projects as the funding shifts from the federal to the state and local level and the desire of our customers to delay contract awards so as to take a look at various widely publicized but little used new market entrant technologies.

''While troublesome on a quarterly basis, it appears that the log jam is clearing and that our licensees are maintaining their leadership position in this market against these newcomers to our industry. In addition, in the second quarter our wholly-owned subsidiary, NU-PIPE, Inc. completed the development of the first size of the NuPipe product and made substantial progress toward the finalization of a license agreement with licensees.

''We are hopeful that in the third quarter the license agreement will be finalized and the licensees will commercially introduce this exciting product. NU-PIPE, Inc. is already actively installing the product at various sites in conjunction with prospective licensees and recovering the costs incurred in performing such installations. As a result of the successful experience with these activities, we believe that the technology transfer to the NuPipe licensees should be started during the third quarter with the initial royalty and product sales revenue being generated both in the United States and Europe in the fourth quarter.''

Based in Memphis, Insituform of North America Inc. provides state-of-the-art techniques for the reconstruction of deteriorated pipelines utilizing the Insituform (R) Process. In addition, INA furnishes its present network of thirteen United States licensees with the Insitutube (R), resins and other related products used by them in the rehabilitation of pipeline systems throughout the country, and is a center of research and development for trenchless pipeline rehabilitation processes.

Through a wholly-owned subsidiary, NU-PIPE Inc., INA plans to introduce the NuPipe (R) Process later this year. INA serves the needs of America's infrastructure.

INSITUFORM OF NORTH AMERICA, INC.
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Earnings
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989

Revenues:				
Net Product Sales	$3,278,905	$3,620,864	$6,401,876	$6,577,498
Royalty Income	1,880,603	1,903,500	3,861,344	3,748,258
Leasing Income	25,362	36,048	47,978	71,654
Total Revenues	$5,184,870	$5,560,412	$10,311,198	$10,397,410
Operating Income	236,601	1,157,790	288,065	1,571,344
Other Income	295,077	237,047	457,349	546,638
Income Before Taxes On Income	531,678	1,394,837	745,414	2,117,982
Taxes on Income	175,663	483,580	250,233	743,656
Income Before Equity in Earnings of Associated Companies	356,015	911,257	495,181	1,374,326
Equity in Earnings of Associated Companies	261,877	140,872	483,175	191,032
Net Income	$ 617,892	$ 1,052,129	$ 978,356	$1,565,358
Net Income per Share (Primary & Fully Diluted)	$.0.08	$.13	$0.13	$0.20
Weighted Average Number of Common and Common Equivalent Shares Outstanding:				
Primary	7,797,833	7,798,651	7,801,606	7,794,812
Fully Diluted	7,800,377	7,798,651	7,802,878	7,794,812

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CHICAGO (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - VMS Mortgage Investment Fund (NYSE:VMG), VMS Mortgage Investors L.P. II (NASDAQ:VMTGZ) and VMS Mortgage Investors L.P. III (NASDAQ:VMORZ), a Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) and two Master Limited Partnerships (MLPs), respectively, collectively ''the funds '' Tuesday announced that through a series of agreements the funds and their senior lender have taken possession of a large group of office buildings in southern California known as the Buckeye Portfolio from VMS Realty Partners, the funds' original sponsor.

According to the funds, the properties, divided into six groups, consist of a total of 19 office buildings mainly in the Beverly Hills, Hollywood and San Fernando Valley areas in Los Angeles. Several buildings are

located on Wilshire Boulevard, near the Rodeo Drive and Westwood sections of Los Angeles.

As of June 30, the total outstanding loans to all six groups by the funds were $154 million. The senior lender for the Buckeye Portfolio is First National Bank of Chicago (''the First''). At June 30, the outstanding loan balance to the First was $255.4 million.

The funds indicated that on Aug. 6 VMS Realty Partners filed bankruptcy petitions for the properties in Groups I, II and IV. These groups consist of nine properties and at June 30 had outstanding loans to VMS Mortgage Investment Fund in the amount of $110.9 million.

As a result of VMS's action, the funds proceeded to foreclose on its collateral assignment of partnership interests in the partnerships owning all 19 properties in the six groups.

On Aug. 10, the funds entered into a settlement agreement with the First allowing the First to take title to the properties held in Groups III, V and VI. Group III consists of four properties, which at June 30 had outstanding loans from VMS Mortgage Investors L.P. II and VMS Mortgage Investors L.P. III in the amount of $4.6 million and $11.6 million, respectively.

Group V consists of two properties, which at June 30 had an outstanding loan to VMS Mortgage Investment Fund in the amount of $19.8 million. Group VI consists of four properties and at June 30 had an outstanding loan balance to VMS Mortgage Investors L.P. II of $2 million and VMS Mortgage Investors L.P. III of $5.1 million.

VMS Mortgage Investment Fund, VMS Mortgage Investors LP II and VMS Mortgage Investors L.P. III are among eight publicly traded REITs and MLPs established by VMS Realty Partners in the late 1980s to make mortgage loans to VMS affiliated projects.

The Funds are currently in negotiations with VMS regarding approximately 75 loans collateralized by VMS affiliated partnerships and joint ventures.

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GARDEN CITY, NY (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Cable Applications Inc.

(NASDAQ:CBLE) reported Tuesday that Margolin, Winer & Evens, which accounting firm had been engaged to conduct an audit of the company's financial statements for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990, resigned on August 2, 1990.

The company indicted that, because no new accounting firm has been engaged filing of its annual report on Form 10-K would be further delayed.

The company also announced the resignation of Richard Capaldo as the chairman of the board, president and a director of the company. He will continue to assist the company in its business segment of installing telecommunications systems. The company will seek a new chief executive officer.

Among the reasons cited by Margolin, Winer & Evens as the basis for its resignation were the lack of or insufficient internal controls during fiscal 1990; the failure to file certain income tax returns since 1985 and a lack of supporting documents relating to certain expense reimbursements and payroll and with respect to certain federal, state and local taxes, making it difficult to confirm certain potential liabilities; and the failure to pay all of the firm's accounting fees.

Management indicted that, in its opinion appropriate internal controls have been instituted since the end of fiscal 1990, including the engagement of a financial consultant to monitor operations and expenditures for the board and the installation of a new controller, and stated that it is taking other steps, consistent with the company's previously reported major cash flow problems, to deal with the matters raised by the accountants.

The company also reported the resignation of Vincent Cestaro as a vice president and a director of the company effective June 28, 1990.

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SAN ANTONIO, TX (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - At its meeting Tuesday, the board of directors of La Quinta Realty Corp., general partner of La Quinta Motor Inns Limited Partnership (NYSE: LQP) declared a cash distribution of $993,750, or 25 cents per limited partnership unit for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 will be paid Sept. 7, 1990 to unitholders of record as of Aug. 31, 1990.

Also at its meeting, the board of directors appointed Jerry N. Wiggins, senior vice president, operations support of La Quinta Motor Inns Inc. to the office of vice president of La Quinta Realty Corp. In addition, Wiggins has also been elected director of La Quinta Realty Corp.

La Quinta Motor Inns Limited Partnership owns 31 La Quinta Inns in 15 states. At July 31, 1990 there were over 200 La Quinta Inns in operation in 29 states.

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CHICO, CALIF. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Duckback Industries Inc. (formerly Empire Financial Corp.) announced Tuesday that its U.S. Forming subsidiary reached a three-year agreement with Clark Manufacturing Inc., of Chino, to have Clark produce approximately 24,000 spa shells valued at approximately $15 million.

Additionally, Duckback's subsidiary Sierra National Cooperage Inc. agreed to supply Clark with redwood spa cabinets and gazebos valued at approximately $9 million over the same time period. The total value of this transaction is based on the estimated sales value of these products over the next three years.

Jeffrey L. Hilgert, president of Duckback Industries, stated that he expects significant industry consolidation in 1991 and 1992 and that these agreements will serve to strengthen both subsidiaries and provide a more stable long-term supply mechanism for U.S. Forming and Sierra National Cooperage customers. ''This arrangement is indicative of a maturing industry,'' Hilgert said, ''and is an early example of the consolidations I expect to see occur industrywide as production capacity adjusts to the market demand for portable spas.''

The 70 jobs associated with the production of U.S. Forming spa shells in Chico will be shifted from the Hegan Lane facility to Clark Manufacturing in Chino. ''These jobs represent an annual payroll loss to Chico of approximately $1.2 million,'' said Hilgert. The shift of production to Clark is expected to be completed by Aug. 31.

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MIDDLEBURG, PA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Poloron Products Inc. (NASDAQ:PPRI), which designs, manufactures and distributes modular and custom mobile housing, Tuesday reported operating results for the three month and six month periods ended June 30.

Sales for the six month period this year totaled $7,396,000 compared with $9,912,000 in the year ago period. The company had a net loss of $1,201,000 or 33 cents per share, for the first half of 1990 compared with a net loss of $952,000 or 26 cents per share, a year ago.

Per share figures are based upon 3,586,906 average shares outstanding for the first half of 1990 and 3,626,517 average shares outstanding a year ago.

For the most recent quarter Poloron's sales were $4,691,000 and the company reported a net loss of $351,000, or 10 cents per share. In the year ago quarter sales totaled $6,494,000 and the company reported a net loss of $338,000 or 9 cents per share.

Poloron Products Inc. operates through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Poloron Homes of Pennsylvania Inc. The company distributes its modular and mobile housing in the Northeastern section of the country. -0- T

Poloron Products Inc.
Summary of Operations
(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$ 4,691	$ 6,494	$ 7,396	$ 9,912
Loss from Operations	(378)	(404)	(1,268)	(1,100)
Net Loss	$ (351)	$ (338)	$(1,201)	$ (952)
Loss per Common and Common Equivalent Shares	(10 cents)	(9 cents)	(33 cents)	(26 cents)
Average Number of Common Shares and Eqivalent Outstanding	3,586,693	3,626,517	3,586,906	3,626,517

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ADA, OK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Pre-Paid Legal Services Inc. (ASE:PPD) an Oklahoma corporation which merchandises, in 34 states, a contract enabling individuals to prepay the cost of certain legal services, reported financial results for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported a net loss of $700,000, or 6 cents per share for the six months ended June 30, 1990, which included a $430,000, or 4 cents per share operating loss of an economic affiliate, compared to a net loss of $605,000, or 6 cents per share for the comparable period in 1989.

Total revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were $13.2 million, a decrease of 28 percent from revenues of $18.2 million for the same period of 1989.

Net loss for the second quarter 1990 was $174,000, or 1 cent per share, compared to a loss of $422,000, or 4 cents per share for the second quarter 1989. The 1990 second quarter loss of $174,000 included a $175,000 loss of an economic affiliate, Sooner Web and Offset (''Sooner'') the company's former printing operation. Revenues for the second quarter 1990 were $6.5 million, compared to $8.9 million for the second quarter 1989.

As indicated, operations for the company returned to a break-even point for the second quarter of 1990 excluding the previously mentioned loss of Sooner. The company is currently evaluating its options as they relate to Sooner to ensure that all operational efficiencies have been achieved as Sooner continues building its base of printing business.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported cash flow from operations of $1,850,000 and net reductions in debentures and notes payable of $1,807,000. The company remains on an aggressive debt reduction schedule with similiar reductions expected for the remainder of 1990 and 1991.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Millicom Inc. (NASDAQ: MILL) Tuesday reported results for the second-quarter and six-month periods ended June 30.

For the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, the company reported revenues from sales and services of $38,392,000 versus $21,886,000 in the same

three-month period a year ago, which is an increase of 75 percent.

For the second quarter of 1990, Millicom reported a loss from operations of $17,923,000, offset primarily by a gain of $7.7 million from the sale of a cellular telephone license, which resulted in a net loss of $8,708,000, or 56 cents per share. In the same period last year, the company reported a loss from operations of $18,055,000 and a net loss for the quarter of $10.2 million, or 74 cents per share.

Revenues from sales and services in the 1990 six-month period ended June 30 were $76,366,000, compared to revenues of $41,298,000 in the same period last year. For the first two quarters of 1990, the company reported a net loss of $23,475,000, or $1.52 per share, compared to a net loss of $5,238,000, or 38 cents per share in the prior year.

The significant increases in sales and services revenues in the 1990 periods are primarily due to growth in Millicom's United Kingdom Cellular reselling subsidiary and its U.S. paging operation, Metagram America Inc.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company's gain on the sale of maarketable equity securities was to $2,236,000, as compared to $21,652,000 for the corresponding six-month period during 1989 as the result of decreased sales of Racal Electronics Plc ordinary voting shares.

A change in accounting method, which was adopted in the fourth quarter of 1989, resulted in the capitalization of acquisition fees relating to the addition of new subscribers by the company's United Kingdom cellular reselling business.

This change resulted in a decrease to net loss for the six months and quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $5,665,000, or 37 cents per share and $1,487,000, or 10 cents per share, respectively. Prior to Oct. 1, 1989, it was the company's policy to expense such fees in the current period.

Millicom Inc. is a diversified international communications company with interests in telecommunications, satellite television and media.

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VALLEY STREAM, N.Y. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Nationwide Cellular Service Inc. (NASDAQ:NCEL) Tuesday announced financial results for the company's second quarter ended June 30.

During that period, revenues increased to $27.3 million, up from $17.6 million in the second quarter of 1989. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues increased to $50.1 million, up from $31.3 million in the corresponding 1989 period.

During the second quarter of 1990, the company's net loss decreased to $1,990,000 or 35 cents per share of outstanding common stock, from a loss of $2,869,000 or 60 cents per share in the same 1989 period. Net loss for the first six months of 1990 also decreased to $4,632,000 or 80 cents per share, from a loss of $4,860,000 or $1.23 per share in 1989.

Included in the quarter ended June 30, 1989, the company recorded an expense of approximately $1,620,000, which was incurred in connection with the exchange of its 9 percent convertible subordinated debentures for common stock and warrants to acquire additional shares of common stock. Of such expense, $1,427,000 represents the fair market value of the warrants.

Also included in the company's net loss for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990 and June 30, 1989 is the company's 50 percent share of the loss of Cellular Technical Services Co. (''CTS''). For the three months ended June 30, 1990, CTS' loss decreased to $138,000 from a loss of $209,000 for the same period in 1989. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, CTS' loss decreased to $302,000 from a loss of $412,000 for the same period in 1989.

During 1990, the company continued to expand its subscriber base and currently has 63,000 subscribers in its various markets. The losses associated with this expansion are primarily the result of selling and administrative costs associated with acquiring new subscribers. Once subscribers have been activated and begin using the company's services, they generate ongoing revenues.

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BETHESDA, MD. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Survival Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:SURV) Tuesday announced that the United States Department of Defense (DoD) has awarded the company a contract for the production and delivery of AtroPen (R) auto-injectors, resulting from a request for proposal originally issued in December 1989.

The AtroPen auto-injector contains the nerve agent antidote atropine. The company's military auto-injectors are intended to be used by military

personnel for self administration under combat conditions against the effects of chemical warfare. The company is the only domestic producer of auto-injectors to the DoD and is also a supplier of these injectors to allied foreign governments.

The total procurement of AtroPens, including option quantities, aggregates $2 million and was competitively bid. Survival Technology received 70 percent of the quantities ordered under this contract. Deliveries under the basic contract were scheduled to begin in September and continue through November 1990.

The DoD has recently informed the company that it expects to exercise the option under the contract and accelerate delivery of all product to Sept. 1990.

Survival Technology Inc. provides pharmaceutical delivery systems and cardiac monitoring services for the treatment of emergency medical problems. The company's products include automatic injectors for self-administration by the military, as well as injectors such as the EpiPen (R) auto-injector containing epinephrine for severe allergic reactions and the LidoPen (R) auto-injector (lidocaine) for treatment of cardiac arrhythmias.

Survival provides complete sterile parenteral contract filling and packaging services for prefilled syringes, including pharmaceutical research and development. The company also operates a transtelephonic cardiac monitoring service for high-risk heart patients and markets the CardioBeeper (R) ECG transmitters.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Rally's Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:RLLY), the nation's largest double drive-thru restaurant chain, reported record financial results for the fourth quarter and fiscal 1990.

The company reports results on both an actual and a pro forma combined basis. Pro forma figures include company results plus those from franchised restaurants in the New Orleans, Birmingham, Ala., and central Indiana markets, which were acquired Oct. 19, 1989.

For the quarter ended July 1, pro forma combined revenues increased 24 percent to $19.4 million, compared with $15.7 million during the prior period. Pro forma combined net income before an extraordinary credit rose 56 percent to $1.5 million, or 22 cents per share, compared with $1.0

million, or 14 cents per share, last year.

For the year, pro forma combined revenues grew 32 percent over 1989 to $69.6 million. Pro forma combined net income increased 78 percent to $4.6 million, or 67 cents per share, compared with $2.6 million, or 39 cents per share, in 1989.

Actual results also improved substantially. Actual revenues for the quarter reached $19.4 million, up 104 percent from $9.5 million during the prior period. Actual net income for the quarter, after a pro forma adjustment for income taxes, increased 165 percent to $1.5 million, or 22 cents per share, compared with $0.6 million, or 15 cents per share, before an extraordinary credit of 6 cents per share, a year ago.

Actual revenues for the year reached $62.1 million, a 100 percent increase over $31.1 million for 1989. Actual earnings, after a pro forma adjustment for income taxes, improved by 179 percent to $4.0 million, or 67 cents per share, compared with $1.4 million, or 37 cents per share, before an extraordinary credit of 15 cents per share the previous year.

Systemwide sales increased 37 percent to $44.9 million for the quarter and increased 56 percent to $159.8 million for the year ending July 1, 1990. The number of restaurants also increased substantially for the year and fourth quarter.

Richard F. Sherman, chairman, chief executive officer and president of Rally's Inc. said, ''We are particularly optimistic about the future because our combination of speed of service, low prices and quality products are right on track with today's times.''

Sherman said the company and its franchisees opened 18 new units during the quarter, bringing to 228 the number of units in operation at the end of the fiscal year.

''We projected a year ago that we would open 80 restaurants this year and end the fiscal year with 228 units. We're pleased to have achieved that objective,'' Sherman said.

Named by Inc. Magazine as the country's fifth fastest-growing public company, Rally's is the fastest growing hamburger chain in the United States. Its stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol RLLY.

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SANTA ANA, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Effective June 30, 1990, Larry Fox was promoted to vice president of field support for Novadyne Computer Systems Inc.

Reporting to Novadyne President and Chief Executive Officer Bert J. Novak, Fox is responsible for the logistics operation, the company's three repair centers, purchasing, fourth-party sales and manufacturing and integration.

''This promotion is well-deserved,'' Novak said. ''Larry has brought tremendous expertise to Novadyne over the past several years and he continues to demonstrate the leadership qualities which have brought him to this point in his career,'' he said.

Prior to this assignment, Fox reported to Novak and was the director of field support for the last two years. He transferred to the company from McDonnell Douglas Manufacturing and Engineering as director of CAD/CAM field operations on Feb. 1, 1988.

Joining McDonnell Douglas (NYSE:MD) in August 1982, Fox held management positions both internationally and domestically over the last eight years. Before joining McDonnell Douglas, Fox held several service- management positions both internationally and domestically with Data General and Xerox Data Systems.

Having spent the past 20 years in the high-tech service industry, Fox has gained extensive knowledge of the service industry.

Fox was a chemistry major at Portland State University in the mid-1960s until he joined the Air Force in 1966, where he began his electronics career.

Born and raised in Oregon, Fox moved to Southern California in 1986. He presently resides in Anaheim.

Novadyne Computer Systems is a nationwide company with 1000 professionals in over 100 locations. Revenues in 1989 exceeded $100 million.

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Lomak Petroleum Inc. (the

''company''), announced Monday an ongoing program to repurchase up to 400,000 shares of its common stock.

A total of $150,000 has been authorized for such purchases. The program is designed primarily to offer small investors a market for their shares. Open market transactions have been prohibitively expensive for small holders due to high transaction costs. The repurchase may be made in negotiated transactions or otherwise and will be based on the then prevailing quoted bid price of the stock. Shareholders owning less than 200 shares will be contacted to determine their interest in participating in the repurchase program.

The company is engaged in the acquisition, production and development of oil and gas properties and provides brine disposal and other ancillary services to the oil industry. Its common stock is listed on NASDAQ under the symbol ''LOMK.''

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ARLINGTON, TX (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Total Assets Protection, Inc. Tuesday reported more than doubled revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 compared with the same period last year.

For the six months, revenues also more than doubled and the company posted much smaller operating and net losses compared to the same period in 1989.

In the second quarter, revenues totalled $4,518,608, up 116 percent from $2,088,370 in the year earlier quarter. The company posted an $82,757 loss from operations for the quarter versus an operating loss of $1,238,656 in the year ago period. The net loss amounted to just $77,663 compared with a net loss of $1,749,929 in the year ago quarter, a turnaround of almost $1.7 million.

On a per share basis that was equal to a net loss of two cents versus a loss of 42 cents in the year ago quarter. There were 4,159,507 weighted average shares outstanding in the quarter this year and 4,147,907 in the quarter a year ago.

In the six months, total revenues rose 137 per cent to $11,125,835 from $4,702,701 in the first half last year. The company narrowed its six month loss from operations to $753,124 from a loss from operations of $2,464,564 in the same half of 1989. The net loss this year totalled $69,879 in the half, after other income of $683,245 primarily in the first quarter, versus a net loss of $2,915,298 in the year ago half. This was

equal to two cents in net loss per share this year versus a net loss of 70 cents a share in the first six months last year. There were 4,153,707 average shares outstanding in the period this year and 4,147,240 in the half a year ago.

TAP is an international consulting company providing solutions for information systems environments. TAP services include the planning and design of computer centers and other technologically enhanced facilities, communications consulting, security analysis, contingency planning and technology integration. The company has international representatives in Australia and maintains corporate headquarters and regional offices in the United States.

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CINCINNATI (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Manhattan National Corp. (NYSE:MLC) Tuesday announced second quarter and year-to-date 1990 financial results for the Cincinnati-based holding company.

Manhattan National Corp.'s financial results for the second quarter and six months of 1990, were improved compared with the same periods a year earlier.

Second quarter 1990 net income was $1,138,000, or 18 cents per share, compared with net income of $905,000, or 11 cents per share, in the same period a year ago. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net income was $682,000, or 10 cents per share, compared with net income of $671,000, or 8 cents per share, earned over the same period last year.

Shareholders' equity at June 30, 1990 was $62,230,000, equivalent to $9.85 per share outstanding. At June 30, 1990, the company had 6,315,260 common shares issued and outstanding.

The company repurchased 36,400 shares of its common stock during the second quarter for $206,570, or an average price of $5.625 per share. To date, the company has repurchased 415,800 shares for $2,241,135 or an average of $5.39 per share, since its $5 million share repurchase program

was adopted in August, 1987.

Commenting on financial results, Larry R. Pike, chairman, president and CEO stated, ''The company's financial results show solid improvement. Net income was the highest level reported since the third quarter of 1985.

''I am especially pleased with the improved results of our insurance subsidiary, Manhattan Life Insurance Co., which contributed 35 percent of the profits reported for the quarter. I expect to see continued improved performance in this 140 year old, financially strong company in future quarters.''

Manhattan National Corp. is a holding company with major subsidiaries in life insurance, investment services and pension adminstration.

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Logic Research Inc. (NASDAQ:AALR) Tuesday announced that Therese E. Myers and Kenneth W. Simonds were selected by ALR's board to succeed I.F. Tang and Frederick Tan who, as contemplated at the time of ALR's initial public offering in April, recently submitted their resignations to make room for two outside directors.

''We are delighted to have individuals with such impeccable credentials in the computer industry bring their talents and experience to our board of directors,'' stated Gene Lu, president and chief executive officer of Advanced Logic Research and the company's founder.

Simonds is chairman, president and chief executive officer of Teradata Corp. in Los Angeles, manufacturer of fault-tolerant database-management computer systems. Myers is a founder and president of Quarterdeck Office Systems, a supplier of software to the computer industry.

ALR also announced that it has registered its common stock under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and has applied for inclusion of its common stock on the National Market System of the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System.

''We expect that more comprehensive quotation data available by virtue of our being an NMS company will prove to be worthwhile to our stockholders and investor,'' Lu added. ALR has been advised by the NASD that the company's stock will be included on the National Market System by the end

of August.

Founded in 1984, Advanced Logic Research is a leader in personal- computer technology. The company's products cover a broad range of performance and functionality, incorporating all three of the industry bus standards EISA, ISA and MCA as well as supporting the three industry operating systems MS DOS, UNIX and OS/2. The company markets its products through a worldwide network of distributors and dealers.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Enron Corp. board of directors Tuesday declared a third-quarter dividend of 62 cents per share on the corporation's common stock, payable Sept. 20, to stockholders of record as of Sept. 4.

The dividend rate remains unchanged from its previous level, with an indicated annual rate of $2.48.

The board also declared a dividend on the $10.50 cumulative second preferred convertible stock payable Oct. 1, to stockholders of record as of Sept. l4. The quarterly dividend rate is $2.625 per share.

Enron Corp., America's leading natural gas company with approximately $10 billion in revenues and $9 billion in assets, operates the nation's largest natural gas transmission system; markets natural gas, gas liquids, crude oil and refined products nationally and worldwide; owns 84 percent of Enron Oil & Gas Co., one of the country's largest independent (non-integrated) natural gas exploration and production companies; and also is one of the largest independent producers of electricity in the United States, with extensive experience in combined heat and power installations.

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DAYTON, OHIO (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Corporate licensing and reseller agreements were signed Tuesday by Standard Register (NASDAQ:SREG), a Fortune 500 forms manufacturer, and BLOC Development (NASDAQ:BDEV), a

software company based in Coral Gables, Fla.

The agreements allow Standard Register to use the F3 Forms Automation System and to incorporate BLOC's F3 applications - including the F3 Pro Designer - into existing forms manufacturing processes.

The F3 Pro Designer allows the user to electronically design a form that can be electronically transferred to Standard Register manufacturing plants throughout the nation for production. In addition the agreements allow Standard Register to resell BLOC's F3 products to Standard Register customers.

''The F3 Forms Automation System represents a quantum leap forward in forms development technology for Standard Register,'' says Peter S. Redding, executive vice president - administration.

''It replaces the traditional, manual design methods used to design and develop business forms with professional, advanced software products or complete business form composition and processing. This commitment will boost communication efficiences between our customers and the manufacturing plants.''

''Moving to this new system further enhances Standard Register's ability to serve its customers by reducing the time it takes to design and produce business forms,'' Redding adds.

According to BLOC's chairman and chief executive officer Frank Millman, ''BLOC is pleased to establish a relationship with Standard Register - a major player in the forms arena. They are an important link in the distribution strategy for our F3 products to Corporate America.''

Standard Register, with 1989 sales of $708 million, produces business forms and related forms processing, financial and bar code systems equipment for the health care, financial, hospitality/travel and general business markets.

BLOC develops, publishes, and markets business and personal productivity and information management software for use with IBM PC, IBM PS/2, IBM compatibles and Apple MacIntosh products. In addition, BLOC provides business automation services to small and mid-size businesses.

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ASHLAND, KY (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Addington Resources Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ADDR) Tuesday reported higher revenues and net income for the second quarter and the first half of 1990.

For the quarter, net income increased to $1.4 million, or 10 cents per share, compared with $397,000, or 3 cents per share, in theprior period. Revenues rose 16 percent to $70.9 million from $61.1 million. Per share figures are based on 15.2 million and 11.7 million shares outstanding as of June 30, 1990 and 1989.

Addington Resources President Larry Addington said second quarter net income was reduced by a $885,000 (6 cents per share) net loss in the company's road construction subsidiary. The unit experienced higher-than-expected costs to complete its three construction contracts. Addington said no bids are outstanding on additional projects and that road construction operations were being re-evaluated.

Addington said difficulties stemming from mine permit delays in West Virginia in 1990 and disruptions from picketing United Mine Workers and from flooding in 1989 also affected net income in both quarters.

The higher revenues and net income during the second quarter came predominantly from an increase in coal sales. Coal revenues rose from $50.6 million to $70.3 million, due predominantly to a 39 percent increase in net coal sales from 1.4 million tons to 2.2 million tons.

Through June 30, net coal sales rose from 3 million tons to 4.2 million tons. Revenues for the first six months improved to $138.7 million from $117.1 million. Net income increased to $14.3 million, or 94 cents per share, compared with $2.2 million, or 18 cents per share, for the first half of 1989.

Revenues and net income for 1990 include an extraordinary credit from the sale of the company's Addwest Gold subsidiary, which produced a $17.9 million pre-tax gain.

In addition to the company's focus on coal mining and marketing, Addington said the company has taken steps to continue its increasing emphasis on integrated solid waste disposal systems. As previously reported, Addington Environmental has entered agreements to acquire a South Carolina landfill and a Tennessee paper mill, and it has also purchased technology that removes recyclable materials from solid wastes.

Addington Resources mines coal in Kentucky, West Virginia, Ohio and Illinois and is engaged in contracting, highway construction operations

and the development of solid waste disposal systems. Its stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol ADDR.

ADDINGTON RESOURCES INC.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net coal sales	$70,317,749	$50,601,397	$134,986,892	$99,795,300
Gross revenues	70,928,839	61,057,206	138,652,814	117,065,100
Costs and expenses	65,608,273	57,723,405	128,537,330	108,944,935
Income from operations	5,320,566	3,333,801	10,115,484	8,120,165
Interest and other income (expense)	(3,138,052)	(2,791,862)	12,172,807	(5,141,112)
Net income	1,442,514	396,939	14,298,291	2,194,053
Net income per share	$.10	$.03	$.94	$.19
Average shares outstanding	15,165,678	11,710,000	15,165,678	11,710,000

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	June 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Current assets	$121,863,572	$110,200,281
Net property, plant and equipment	92,488,407	82,650,263
Coal sales contracts, net	90,793,551	98,591,924
Other assets	30,654,749	30,681,172
TOTAL ASSETS	$335,800,279	$322,123,640
Current liabilities	$ 48,932,696	$ 48,759,366
Long-term debt, less current portion	23,767,924	17,631,681
Senior secured notes	125,000,000	125,000,000
Other liabilities	3,177,200	10,108,425
Stockholders' equity	134,922,459	120,624,168
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY	$335,800,279	$322,123,640

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MIAMI (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Video Jukebox Network Inc. (VJN) (NASDAQ:JUKE) Tuesday announced its results for the three month period ended June 30.

The company reported second quarter revenues of $3,380,000, an increase of 568 percent over the $506,000 for the like period in 1989. The company realized a loss of ($276,000) or (3 cents) per common chare, as opposed to a loss of ($761,000) or (9 cents) for the like period in 1989.

Income before non-cash expenditures (which include stock compensation, depreciation, and amortization) was $188,000.

Year-to-date figures for the six months ended June 30 show revenues of $6,024,000, an increase of 582 percent over the $883,000 reported for the comparable period in the previous year. The six month loss was ($598,000) or (6 cents) per common share, compared to ($1,442,000) or (18 cents) for the like period in 1989.

The reduction of the loss compared to 1989 was attributed to significantly increased distribution of The Jukebox Network combined with effective cost control and economies of scale inherent in the expansion.

Commenting on the second quarter results, VJN President/Chief Executive Officer Andrew H. Orgel said, ''We are generally pleased with the performance of the Company throughout this period, particularly because we were able to sustain our rate of expansion while we worked toward the resolution of our financing.

''Now that TeleCommunications Inc. has agreed in principle to invest in the Company, we expect to solidify our expansion plans and financial position. In the third quarter, we hope to complete the financing package sustain our growth, and continue to move toward profitable operation.''

The Jukebox Network added 17 units reaching 1 million households in the second quarter, including launches with Time-Warner, Cox Cable, Comcast, Sammons, Cooke Cable, and KBLCOM, as well as six low power television stations. The Jukebox Network is now seen in 18 of the top 25 U.S. television markets and is affiliated with 15 of the top 20 cable multiple system operators.

Video Jukebox Network Inc. is an interactive television company that currently operates 109 units of The Jukebox Network, the leading interactive television network in the country. The Jukebox Network is available in 29 states and reaches 9.6 million households.

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CLARK, N.J. (AUG. 14) BIZ WIRE - Whitman Medical Corp. (NASDAQ:WHIT) Tuesday reported net income of $66,074, or 6 cents per share, on revenues of $761,765, for the first three months ended June 30, 1990.

The company recorded net income of $86,411, or 7 cents per share, on revenues of $624,110 for the comparable quarter last year.

The company attributes the minor decline in net income to an increase in expenses ($485,220 in 1990 vs. $374,737 in 1989), primarily associated with the opening of a new Ultrasound Diagnostic School in Atlanta. Enrollment has increased considerably anad revenues are increasing from this division. Students attending any of the 10 Whitman Medical-owned schools earn college credits.

It takes approximately three years of operation for each school to turn a profit. Therefore, in order to maximize shareholder value, the company's management decided to delay the opening of other schools until the schools opened in 1988 have had time to mature and become profitable.

Instead, the company is hastening the development of other surgical and medical products, which they intend to license.

At this time the company is completing a prototype of the Fluid Flow Control Valve. This device will be utilized to regulate the amount of fluid the patient receives in intravenous therapy and enteral feeding therapy.

The company is also developing a new needleless injection valve. There is now a dramatic need for this type of device as it protects the medical staff from sticking themselves while giving fluid therapy treatment to patients, thereby eliminating the potential of being contaminated by infectious disease such as AIDS and hepatitis virus.

Whitman Medical Corp. develops medical and surgical products and is the largest operator of schools specializing in the training of sonographers for the field of medical diagnostic ultrasound.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC) Tuesday reported a net loss of $106 million, or $3.12 per share, in the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported net income of $30 million, or 90 cents per share, in the 1989 second quarter.

The 1990 second quarter results have been significantly affected by losses realized in the high-yield portion of the investment portfolio of the company's insurance subsidiaries. In addition, these results reflect lower earnings by each of the company's operating segments due to unfavorable market conditions in property/casualty insurance, retail securities brokerage and banking, and by restructuring costs. The 1990 second quarter net loss also includes a $17 million charge for income tax benefits established in this years's first quarter which are no longer available as a result of AmBase's most recent forecast which anticipates a pretax loss for all of 1990.

For the six months ended June 30, the company reported a consolidated net loss of $148 million, or $4.36 per share, in 1990 compared with consolidated net income of $56 million, or $1.65 per share in 1989. Second quarter 1990 consolidated revenues were $770 million compared with revenues of $911 million reported in last year's second quarter. For the six months ended June 30, revenues totaled $1,547 million in 1990 compared with $1,759 million in 1989. The decline in revenues is primarily attributable to realized losses associated with the insurance investment portfolio and a decrease in banking revenues associated with the restructuring of that operation.

The company also announced that it had signed an amendment to its current bank credit agreement which provides for adjustments to certain financial covenants, additional contingent fees and accelerated repayment schedules.

Consolidated insurance operations reported a second quarter statutory combined ratio after policyholders' dividends of 110.4 compared with 110.0 in last year's second quarter. The statutory combined ratios for the first six months of 1990 and 1989 were 109.4 and 108.7, respectively.

AmBase Corp. is an insurance, banking and investment services organization. Its principal subsidiaries include The Home Insurance Company, US International Re, Carteret Bancorp, Gruntal Financial Corp., and Sterling Forest Corp.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - American Oil and Gas Corp. (AMEX: AOG) Tuesday announced the following results for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990:

AMERICAN OIL AND GAS CORP.
(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

	Three Months Ended	Six Months Ended

	June 30,		June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
		(Restated)		(Restated)
Revenues	$107,478	$25,552	$240,473	$53,182
Operating income (loss)	5,830	(280)	8,694	674
Equity in loss of WellTech, Inc.	(1,447)	(3,428)	(2,060)	(6,411)
Other income (expenses)	(1,536)	669	(3,216)	515
Net income (loss)	2,847	(3,039)	3,418	(5,222)
Net income (loss) applicable to common stock	1,138	(3,465)	1,156	(6,074)
Net income (loss) per common share	7 cents	(41 cents)	7 cents	(72 cents)

For the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, American Oil and Gas Corp. reported significant increases in its revenues and operating income as compared to the same periods in 1989. The increase in revenues is primarily a result of AOG's acquisition of the natural gas pipeline business of Cabot Corp., which was effective Nov. 1, 1989.

The increase in operating income was substantially due to measures implemented to improve the operations of the acquired business.

Second quarter results reflect the favorable impact of hot and dry weather conditions in the company's primary service area that caused heavy demand from agricultural and electric utility customers. The favorable operating results were also due to improved coordination and matching of purchase and sales transactions, and improved efficiencies in field operations.

The improvement in net income for the quarter and six months ended June 30 1990, compared to the like periods in 1989 was primarily attributable to the increase in operating income and the decrease in the company's equity in loss of WellTech.

This improvement was partially offset by interest expense related to the debt issued in connection with the purchase of the acquired operations.

CONTACT: American Oil and Gas Co., Houston
William P. Conner, 713/739-2900

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NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert E. Howson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of McDermott International Inc. (NYSE:MDR), said Tuesday the board of directors voted a quarterly dividend

of 25 cents per share on the common stock of the company, payable Oct. 1, 1990 to stockholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990.

In a separate action, the board of directors of McDermott Inc., a subsidiary of McDermott International Inc., declared a quarterly dividend of 55 cents per share on the Series A $2.20 Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock and 65 cents per share on the Series B $2.60 cumulative preferred stock, both payable Oct. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990.

McDermott International Inc., is a leading worldwide energy services company. The company and its subsidiaries manufacture steam-generating equipment, defense products, and tubular products. They also provide engineering and construction services for industrial and utility facilities onshore, and to the oil and gas industry offshore.

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Ken Salzer, 504/587-4346

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC) Tuesday announced that it has signed a letter of intent to sell The Home Insurance Co. to Vik Brothers International, a European-based investor group.

The total value of the transaction, which includes The Home's subsidiaries Gruntal Financial Corp. and Sterling Forest Corp., is $905 million including cash and the assumption of AmBase corporate debt, which together aggregate $620 million, and leaves in place the $285 million of $2.95 Series A, Cumulative Preferred Stock of The Home.

The proceeds available from the sale and the anticipated proceeds from the $124 million par value of The Home Insurance Co.'s Cumulative Preferred owned by AmBase will be used to liquidate AmBase's outstanding indebtedness, which is estimated to be approximately $730 million at closing.

The expected proceeds make it unlikely that AmBase will distribute a special cash dividend to its stockholders.

George T. Scharffenberger, chairman, president and Chief Executive Officer of AmBase said, ''After several months of discussions with many interested parties, I am pleased that Vik Brothers, an international firm, has been selected to be the new parent of The Home Insurance Company.''

''The purchase price paid by Vik Brothers International reflects the tremendous improvement in the underwriting operations of The Home

Insurance Company over the last four years. I am also pleased that Vik is committed to The Home's strategic direction and its current management team,'' according to James J. Meenaghan, president and chief executive officer of The Home Insurance Co.

The proposed transaction is subject to the completion of due diligence by Vik Brothers, the execution of a definitive agreement by Sept. 28, and regulatory approvals. Additionally, AmBase will submit the Vik Brothers offer to AmBase stockholders for their approval at a Special Meeting to be held later this year.

AmBase Corp. is an insurance, banking and investment services organization. Its principal subsidiaries include The Home Insurance Co., US International Re, Commonwealth Insurance Co., Carteret Bancorp, Gruntal Financial Corp., and Sterling Forest Corp.

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or
Vik Brrothers, New York
or Ted Lodge, 212/751-2276.

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NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert E. Howson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of McDermott International Inc. (NYSE:MDR), announced that the board of directors has elected John P. Eckert president and chief operating officer of the company.

Eckert will report to Howson.

The Board also promoted Joe J. Stewart to executive vice president and Group Executive, Power Generation Group and William L. Higgins to executive vice president and Group Executive, McDermott Marine Construction. Stewart and Higgins will report to Eckert.

Eckert has been senior vice president and Group Executive, Defense and Nuclear Power since 1988. He joined the company in 1955 as an engineer in Barberton, Ohio. He holds a B.S. degree in civil engineering from Lehigh University and an MBA degree from Lynchburg College.

Stewart has been senior vice president and Group Executive, Power Generation Group since 1988. He joined the company in 1972 as manager of project management in Lynchburg, Virginia. He holds a BS degree in chemical engineering from Purdue University, an MS degree in nuclear engineering from Kansas State University and a doctorate in nuclear

engineering from North Carolina State University.

Higgins has been senior vice president and Group Executive, McDermott Marine Construction since 1988. He first joined the company as a field engineer in 1968. He holds a BS degree in electrical engineering from Louisiana State University.

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PISCATAWAY, NJ (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Unitronix Corp. (NASDAQ:UTRX) announced Tuesday that it has agreed to sell its computer service business which consists of contracts and inventory, to Bay State Computer Group Inc., located in Boston.

The purchase price is $400,000, consisting of a cash payment of $100,000 at closing and a three year note for $300,000. This sale is contingent upon Bay State's satisfaction with its review of service and maintenance business.

The company is also in negotiations with other parties to sell certain portions of its computer distrbution business. The company expects to complete these negotiations within the next month.

Frank Zimmer, president and CEO, said, ''Upon completion of the presently ongoing negotiations, we will terminate all distribution agreements, which will conclude our planned exit from the distribution business, and will allow us to devote our entire business focus to the PRAXA software division.

''To the extent that we have been unable to sell any portion of our distribution business as a going concern, we will sell off the remaining inventories. At the present time we are unable to determine the full extent of reserves, which will be taken as of June 30, 1990, the end of our last fiscal year, to provide for this divestiture.

''Our internal analysis indicates the company will take a write off of between $750,000 and $1 million, subject to a final audit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.''

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James R. Solakian, 201/782-9665

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NORTHVALE, NJ (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Baltek Corp. (NASDAQ:BTEK) Tuesday announced results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Commenting on the results, Jacques Kohn, president, stated: ''Our balsa sales continued to be affected by the softness in the U.S. pleasure boating industry, thereby affecting demand for our balsa wood. This decline was, however, somewhat offset by continued growth of balsa sales to the European market.

''While our shrimp operations did operate at a loss for the first six months of fiscal 1990, we expect that the recent 50 percent addition to our shrimp farm acreage will create a more efficient operation in the near term,'' Kohn noted.

Book value continued to grow during the latest six months. At June 30, 1990, it amounted to $24,537,919, or $9.73 per share, substantially higher than the current stock price.

Baltek Corp.
Operating Results
(unaudited)

	For the three month period ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Total revenues	$ 9,347,823	$10,623,518
Net income	$ 324,352	$ 911,528
Net income per common share	13 cents	36 cents
Average shares outstanding	2,523,261	2,523,261

	For the six month period ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Total revenues	$18,373,212	$20,385,618
Net income	$ 847,219	$ 1,919,276
Net income per common share	34 cents	76 cents
Average shares outstanding	2,523,261	2,523,261 T

CONTACT: Baltek Corp., Northvale
Benson Zeikowitz, 201/767-1400
or

Strategic Growth International, New York
Donald Weinberger, 212/826-9622

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Coral Inc. (OTC pink sheets) announced Tuesday that its wholly-owned subsidiary, System 800 International (TM), filed for relief under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the Central District of California, seeking to reorganize.

Michael Avatar, System 800's president, said, ''the filing became necessary when System 800's primary bank credit card processor suspended all processing, as of Aug. 2 1990, and froze all of System 800's funds on deposit.'' Management has attempted to settle any alleged disputes with the bank, without success.

Coral is located at 9255 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90069. Telephone; 213/288-2100.

CONTACT: The Blaine Group Inc., Los Angeles
Audrey Hodges or Devon Blaine, 213/938-2577

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PORT COQUITLAM, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - A & A Foods Ltd. common shares have been approved for listing on the U.S. NASDAQ system and will commence trading on Monday, Aug. 20, 1990, Giovanni Camporese, president, announced Tuesday.

The stock has been assigned the symbol ANAFF.

A & A Foods Ltd., headquartered in Port Coquitlam, British Columbia, is the leader in the processing and marketing of grated and shredded cheese throughout Canada.

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Giovanni Camporese, 604/942-6613

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WESTBOROUGH, MA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - ASA International Ltd. (NASDAQ:ASAA) announced its financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the second quarter 1990 were $5,059,000, down from $5,642,000

in the second quarter 1989. Net loss for the second quarter 1990 was $240,000, compared to net earnings of $239,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

ASA International Ltd. quarterly and six-months results are summarized as follows:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$5,059,000	$5,642,000	$9,822,000	$11,412,000
Proft (loss) from operations	(263,000)	295,000	(590,000)	407,000
Net earnings (loss)	(240,000)	239,000	662,000	310,000
Net earnings (loss) per share	($.062)	$.062	$.171	$.081 T

ASA International Ltd. markets multi-user business computer solutions, primarily on Digital Equipment Corp. and IBM hardware, to manufacturing, tire dealer and international trade companies. The firm, founded in 1969, reported 1989 revenues of $23,769,000

CONTACT: ASA International Ltd., Westborough
Alfred C. Angelone, 508/898-2727

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of $.01 per share of common stock to all holders of common stock on August 31, 1990 which will be paid on Sept. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Harris & Harris Group Inc., New York
Charles E. Harris, 212/307-4380

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Geoffrey Jurick, chairman of Fidenas Corp. announced Tuesday that Fidenas has acquired an additional 2 percent of the common stock of Emerson Radio Corp., thereby bringing Fidenas' total ownership of that company to 10.95 percent.

Fidenas has been acquiring stock in Emerson since August, 1989 and since then has had discussions from time to time with respect to Fidenas involvement in Emerson Radio Corp. affairs. According to the most recent 13D report filed by Emerson, the purpose for these acquisitions has been for investment purposes. The report notes, however, that Fidenas recently

has held and will continue to hold discussions with senior officials of Emerson Radio Corp. to develop ways to enhance shareholder value.

These discussions relate to many items and include (but are not limited to) such topics as Fidenas' participation in a possible joint venture for European marketing of products and the possible assisting in a general way with the capital required therewith; the possible collaboration by Fidenas or others recommended by Fidenas, with respect to development of products and the possible appointment of a Fidenas representative to the board of directors of Emerson Radio Corp.

No aggreements, understandings or commitments have been made with respect to any of the items discussed at this time.

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STAMFORD, Conn. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Petroleum Heat and Power Co. Inc. (AMEX:PHP) has announced that unit volume for the second quarter of 1990 increased to 87 million gallons bringing total volume for the first six months of 1990 to 291 million gallons.

Cash flow for the six months was $15.8 million ($1.05 per Class B Common Share) and net income $352,000.

While operating income before depreciation and amortization significantly inmproved in the second quarter primarily due to the impact of the acquisitions made in 1989 and 1990, the improvement was not sufficient to offset the impact of the abnormally warm weather experienced during the first quarter of 1990 when temperatures were 12 percent warmer than the comparable period in 1989 as well as 20 percent warmer than normal and the warmest in the century.

As a result, the company's income and cash flow were lower for the first six months as costs related to the twenty-two 1989 and 1990 acquisitions were incurred without the full benefit of additional sales due to the weather's impact on volume while operating costs could not be commensurately adjusted in the one-quarter time frame.

Because of this, the company expects cash flow for the year to be below that generated in 1989.

Home heating oil volume for the six months was approximately 2 percent below the comparable period the year earlier as the abnormally warm weather combined with lower volume resulting from the October 1989

exchange of the company's Westchester County, N.Y. operations more than offset the approximate 12 percent increase resulting from the 1989 and 1990 acquisitions. (While the company's volume decreased as a result of the exchange, the volume received was integrated into an existing branch and has resulted on lower operating costs.)

The company's net income of $352,000 reflected an annual income tax rate of 8 percent, substantially before the 40 percent rate for the same period in 1989. The company expects that it will incur a loss for the year which because of limited amounts of federal tax carrybacks and deferred tax provisions, will generate a tax benefit rate of only 8 percent for the year.

Petroleum Heat and Power Co. Inc. is the largest distributor of home heating oil in the United States and currently serves 370,000 customers in 24 marketing areas from Portsmouth, N.H. to Washington D.C.

Petroleum Heat and Power Co. Inc.
Financial Results
(in thousands except per share data)

	Second Quarter 1990	vs. 1989
Gallons sold	87,228	82,843
Revenues	$ 90,954	$ 83,104
Net loss	(15,240)	(9,666)
Cash flow	(7,419)	(2,476)
Cash flow per Class B Common Share	(.49)	(.17)
Earnings per share	(.97)	(.61)
Total shares	15,760	15,760

	Six Months Ended June 30 1990	1989
Gallons sold	290,663	302,674
Revenues	321,198	$287,835
Net income	352	4,756
Cash flow	15,771	19,068
Cash flow per Class B Common Share	1.05	1.27
Earnings per share	.02	.30
Total shares	15,760	15,760

CONTACT: Petroleum Heat and Power Co. Inc., Stamford Joseph P. Cavanaugh, 203/323-2121 by Albert Frank-Guenther Law Inc., New York Darrell T. Oliver 212/612-1433

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FORT LEE, NJ (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - On-Line Software International Inc. (NYSE:OSI) Tuesday announced that its board of directors approved a stockholder rights plan intended to prevent accumulation of On-Line Software's stock under circumstances which could jeopardize On-Line Software's business relationships, to deter coercive and unfair take-over attempts and to encourage potential acquirers to negotiate with On-Line Software in advance regarding any acquisition proposal.

On-Line Software said that the board of directors is committed to a program of enhancing stockholder values. The stockholder rights plan is intended to allow On-Line Software to pursue this program without interference, and to insure that any person or group seeking to acquire control of On-Line Software accord all On-Line Software stockholders fair and equitable treatment and maximum value for their shareholders.

On-Line Software is a NYSE corporation headquartered in Fort Lee. The firm combines consulting and educational services with a full range of systems software designed to enhance the productivity of IBM computer systems users. On-Line Software offerings include CICS, DB2 and development systems software products and services. The corporation's distribution network services more than 25 countries through 15 offices and many distributors.

CONTACT: On-Line Software International Inc., Fort Lee
Ilona Mohasci, 201/585-6582

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ATLANTA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Turner Broadcasting System Inc. (AMEX:TBS.A, TBS.B) announced Tuesday the unaudited results of operations for three and six month periods ended June 30.

The results (in millions of dollars, except per share amounts) were as follows:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		
	1990	1989	Change
Revenues	$ 322.8	$ 264.5	22 pct.
Operating profit	44.3	57.4	(23 pct.)
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	(10.7)	(3.2)	
Extraordinary item -- realization of operating loss carryforwards	2.4	8.7	
Net income (loss)	$ (8.3)	$ 5.5	
Net loss per common			

share before extraordinary item (a)	(15 cents)	(10 cents)
Net (loss) per share (a)	(13 cents)	(4 cents)

	Six Months Ended June 30,		
	1990	1989	Change
Revenues	$ 613.6	$ 496.5	24 pct.
Operating profit	95.4	112.4	(15 pct.)
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	(10.3)	(3.6)	
Extraordinary item -- realization of operating loss carryforwards	6.3	8.7	
Net income (loss)	$ (4.0)	$ 5.1	
Net loss per common share before extraordinary item (a)	(23 cents)	(18 cents)	
Net (loss) per share (a)	(19 cents)	(12 cents)	

(a) after accretion of preferred stock dividends of $11.9 million and $23.5 million for the three and six months ended June 30, respectively, and $11.6 million and $22.9 million for the same periods in 1989, and adjusted retroactively for the share dividend declared on July 23.

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Kitsie Riggall, 404/827-1825

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FAIRPORT, N.Y. (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Voit Corporation (NASDAQ:VOIT) today announced results for the thirteen and twenty-six week periods ended June 29, 1990.

Revenues for the second quarter ended June 29, 1990 were $5,489,506 compared to $6,791,484 in the prior year's second quarter. The net loss before a preferred stock dividend of $87,659 was $169,444, producing a net loss applicable to common stock of $257,103 or $.09 per share. In the prior year's second quarter ended June 30, 1989, there was a loss of $123,907 (including one-time charges of $225,000) before a preferred stock dividend of $94,958, producing a loss applicable to common stock of $218,103 or $.08 per share.

For the twenty-six week period ended June 29, 1990, revenues were $13,743,395 compared to $15,937,694 in the prior year's first six months. The net earnings before a preferred stock dividend of $175,318 were $133,712, producing a net loss applicable to common stock of $41,606 or

$.02 per share. In the prior year's first six months ended June 30, 1989, there were net earnings of $892,909 (including one-time charges of $225,000) before a preferred stock dividend of $189,917, producing earnings applicable to common stock of $702,992 or $.25 per share.

The decrease in revenues and earnings for both the quarter and the twenty-six weeks ended June 29, 1990 was due to lower shipments of home exercise equipment and swim gear, the Company's highest volume and highest gross margin lines, respectively.

David Goldman, President, commented, ''Since the close of the second quarter, sales have improved moderately but continue to remain under the pressure of nationally depressed retail sales. However, we note improved, continuing progress in income derived from licensed products.''

Voit Corporation is a national distributor of sporting goods equipment located in Fairport, New York.

VOIT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS
(unaudited)

	Thirteen Weeks Ended	
	6/29/90	6/30/89
Net Sales	$5,489,506	$6,791,484
Net (Loss)	(169,444)	(123,907) (A)
Preferred Stock Dividend	87,659	94,958
(Loss) Applicable to Common Stock	$ (257,103)	$ (218,865) (A)
Net (Loss) per Share	$(.09)	$(.08) (A)
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding	2,756,970	2,776,775

	Twenty-six Weeks Ended	
	6/29/90	6/30/89
Net Sales	$13,743,395	$15,937,694
Net Earnings	133,712	892,909 (A)
Preferred Stock Dividend	175,318	189,917
Earnings (Loss) Applicable to Common Stock	$ (41,606)	$ 702,992 (A)
Net Earnings (Loss) per Share	$(.02)	$.25 (A)
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding	2,756,970	2,772,639

(A) Includes one-time charges of $225,000.

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or
The Equity Group, New York
Tamara Ehlin, 212/836-9607

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NATCHEZ, MS (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Callon Consolidated Partners L.P. (NASDAQ/NMS:CCLPZ) reported its results of operations for the three and six-month periods ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the partnership reported a net loss of $327,000, or 6 cents per unit of limited partnership interest, compared to a net income of $644,000, or 11 cents per unit, for the second quarter of 1989. Operating results for the second quarter of 1990 reflect revenues of $2,214,000 compared to revenues of $3,619,000 for the second quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the partnership reported a net income of $147,000, or 2 cents per unit, on revenues of $5,294,000. For the like period of 1989, net income was $1,300,000, or 22 cents per unit, on revenues of $7,193,000.

The reduction in first-half 1990 income was attributed to declining production rates. The partnership's average daily production rates were 1,100 barrels of oil and 4.1 million cubic feet of gas in the first six months of 1990, compared to 1,536 barrels of oil and 5.1 million cubic feet of gas in the like period of 1989.

During the first six months of 1990, as opposed to the like period of last year, the average price received per barrel of oil increased to $18.64 from $18.58, and the average price received per thousand cubic feet of gas decreased to $1.81 from $1.84.

Callon Consolidated Partners L.P. produces oil and natural gas from domestic onshore properties located primarily in the Gulf Coast region. The partnership's 5.9 million depositary receipts for units of limited partnership interest trade on the NASDAQ National Market System under symbol CCLPZ.

CALLON CONSOLIDATED PARTNERS L.P.
Summary of Revenues and Earnings

	Three Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenues	$2,214,000	$3,619,000
Net income (loss)	$ (327,000)	$ 644,000
Net income (loss) per unit	(6 cents)	11 cents
Average units outstanding	5,932,383	5,932,383

	Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89

Revenues	$5,294,000	$7,193,000
Net income	$ 147,000	$1,300,000
Net income per unit	2 cents	22 cents
Average units outstanding	5,932,383	5,932,383

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Bolt Beranek and Newman Inc. (NYSE symbol:BBN) today authorized the company to expend from time to time in open market or negotiated transactions up to $15 million for the purchase of the company's 6 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2012.

The debentures currently trade at a discount from the face value on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ''BBN12.'' Approximately $85 million face value of the debentures are outstanding.

The authorization gives the company the opportunity to strengthen its balance sheet and to reduce interest costs. The company also intends to continue its current, authorized purchase program for up to two million shares of the company's outstanding common stock. Approximately 1.3 million shares have been purchased since that program was initiated in October 1987.

Headquartered in Cambridge, MA, Bolt Beranek and Newman is a diversified high technology corporation. BBN develops, manufactures, sells, and supports products including private wide-area communication networks, data analysis software, and parallel processing computers; provides research and development services in the computer and physical sciences; and builds distributed simulation and sensor and surveillance systems.

CONTACT: Bolt Beranek and Newman Inc., Cambridge
Neal H. Sanders, 617/873-2891

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HOUSTON (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Baker Hughes Inc. (NYSE:BHI) Tuesday announced that it intends to call for redemption its convertible exchangeable preferred stock.

The redemption date is anticipated to be August 31, 1990, with a payment to holders of preferred stock being approximately $52.61 per share for each share redeemed, which includes accrued dividends through the

redemption date.

Each share of preferred stock is currently convertible into 1.9608 shares of common stock. The company's common stock closed at $32.75 on the New York Stock Exchange Tuesday.

A company spokesman indicated that the company expects substantially all holders of the preferred stock to convert into common because of the relative disparity between the value of the redemption price and the current common trading value.

Baker Hughes is a leading provider of products and services for the oil, gas and process industries.

CONTACT: Baker Hughes Inc., Houston
Ronald G. Turner, 713/439-8668

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Orient-Express Hotels Inc., owner and operator of deluxe hotels, tourist trains and cruise vessels Tuesday reported net earnings of $954,000 (10 cents per common share) on revenue of $19.4 million for the second quarter ended June 30.

In the second quarter of 1989 the company earned $1.6 million (17 cents per common share) on revenue of $16.7 million. The negative variance between quarters is due to serious delays in completion of renovation works at the Splendido Hotel, resulting in most of the rooms not being available in the quarter, plus a foreign exchange loss vs. a foreign exchange gain in the previous year's second quarter.

For the six months ended June 30 the company reported net earnings of $15.4 million ($1.58 per common share) on revenue (excluding gain on asset sale) of $29.3 million, compared with a net loss of $1.5 million (loss of 15 cents per common share) on revenue of $26.1 million in the first six months of 1989. The favorable variance between periods is due to the sale fo the Welcombe Hotel. The company has retained a long term management contract for this property.

CONTACT: Orient Express Hotels Inc., New York
Julianne Schindler, 212/302-5055

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Bolt Beranek and Newman Inc. (NYSE:BBN) Tuesday reported net income of $3,821,000, or 21 cents per

share, on sales of $69,280,000 for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compared to a net loss of $22,743,000, or $1.27 per share, on sales of $71,921,000 for the same period a year ago. Results for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1989 included substantial provisions and other charges.

For the year ended June 30, 1990, the company had a net loss of $34,804,000, or $1.91 per share, on sales of $261,927,000; compared to a net loss of $25,125,000, or $1.37 per share, on sales of $291,570,000 in fiscal 1989. Results for fiscal year 1990 include a restructuring charge of $20,400,000, or $1.12 per share.

Results for fiscal year 1989 included a fourth-quarter restructuring charge of $5.1 million and provisions and writedowns of approximately $27 million, of which $13.7 million was recorded in the fourth quarter. In addition, results for 1989 included a benefit for the cumulative effect of a change in accounting for income taxes of $6,395,000, or 35 cents per share, reflecting the company's adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 96.

Headquartered in Cambridge, Bolt Beranek and Newman is a diversified high technology corporation. BBN develops, manufactures, sells and supports products including private wide-area communication networks, data analysis software, and parallel processing computers; provides research and development services in the computer and physical sciences; and builds distributed simulation and sensor and surveillance sytsems.

BOLT BERANEK AND NEWMAN INC.
Summary of Operations

Dollars in thousands except per share data	Three Months Ended June 30		Year Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue:				
Services	$ 48,597	$58,331	$ 191,466	$ 232,363
Products	20,683	13,590	70,461	59,207
	69,280	71,921	261,927	291,570
Income (loss) from operations-(1)	2,518	(30,785)	(38,357)	(46,466)
Interest expense, net	(269)	(466)	(1,419)	(428)
Other income (expense), net-(2)	1,864	(276)	2,148	(864)
Income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income taxes and the cumulative effect of a change in accounting	4,113	(31,507)	(37,628)	(47,758)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	292	(8,764)	(2,824)	(16,238)
Income (loss) before the cummulative effect of				

change in accounting	3,821	(22,743)	(34,804)	(31,520)
Cumulative effect of a change in accounting-(3)				6,395
Net income (loss)	$3,821	$ (22,743)	$ (34,804)	$ (25,125)
Per-share amounts: Income (loss) before the cumulative effect of a change in accounting	$ .21	$ (1.27)	$ (1.91)	$ (1.72)
Cumulative effect of a change in accounting				.35
Net income (loss)	$ .21	$ (1.27)	$ (1.91)	$ (1.37)
Shares used in per-share calculations	18,384,649	17,967,943	18,246,231	18,368,019

(1) Results for the year ended June 30,1990 include a restructuring charge of $20,400, or $1.12 per share. Results for the three months and year ended June 30, 1989 include a restructuring charge of $5,136, or 29 cents per share and 28 cents per share respectively.

(2) Results for the three months and year ended June 30, 1990 include a gain of $1,904, or 10 cents per share from the sale of network equipment to Delta Air Lines.

(3) Results for the year ended June 30, 1989 include a benefit for the cumulative effect of a change in accounting for income taxes of $6,395, or 35 cents per share.

CONTACT: Bolt Beranek and Newman Inc., Cambridge
Neal H. Sanders, 617/873-2891

-30- 4288
#90226b0918 08/14/1990 ~Business Wire

AUSTIN, TX (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - HealthVest (ASE:HVT) Tuesday announced results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the second quarter, the company reported a net loss of $2.7 million, or 25 cents per share compared with net income of $5.4 million, or 48 cents per share in the second quarter a year ago. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, HealthVest posted a net loss of $6.8 million, or 64 cents per share compared with net income of $10.9 million, or 96 cents per share in the same period last year.

Funds available for distribution or reinvestment for the second quarter amounted to a negative $1.1 million compared with $7.3 million in the year-earlier period, and for the six months ended June 30, 1990, amounted to a negative $3.7 million compared with $14.9 million in the same period last year.

HealthVest's second quarter results reflected the reduced revenues provided for under the standstill agreement with its principal operator, Healthcare International Inc., and reduced revenues from other operators who continued to experience operating and cash flow difficulties. Expenses for the second quarter of 1990 were higher than those in the same quarter of the previous year.

HealthVest is a self-administered Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) that invests in income-producing health care-related properties including psychiatric, general health and rehabilitation hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, retirement centers, medical office buildings, medically oriented fitness centers, and facilities offering other related health care products and services.

HEALTHVEST
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues				
Healthcare	$ 6,787	$ 13,251	$ 13,557	$ 26,056
Other operators	1,215	1,707	2,416	3,359
Total revenues	8,002	14,958	15,973	29,415
Expenses				
Interest	6,841	6,560	14,357	12,582
Depreciation and amortization	1,520	1,881	3,039	3,741
Advisory fees to Healthcare	--	694	--	1,375
Legal, professional and other	2,322	445	5,421	859
Total expenses	10,683	9,580	22,817	18,557
Net income (loss)	$ (2,681)	$ 5,378	$ (6,844)	$ 10,858
Net income (loss) per share	$ (.25)	$ .48	$ (.64)	$ .96
Shares of beneficial interest (weighted average)	10,773	11,314	10,773	11,346
Funds available for distribution or reinvestment:				
Net income (loss)	$ (2,681)	$ 5,378	$ (6,844)	$ 10,858
Non-cash charges	1,583	1,938	3,165	3,994
Funds available for distribution or reinvestment	$ (1,098)	$ 7,316	$ (3,679)	$ 14,852

CONTACT: Corporate Communications Inc., Nashville, Tenn.
Patrick J. Watson, 615/254-3376

-30- 3484
#90226b0930 08/14/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - B+H Ocean Carriers Ltd. (ASE:BHO) Tuesday reported operating results for the 1990 second quarter and first half-year and announced the company's board of directors had declared a dividend of 80 cents per share payable Sept. 7, 1990 to shareholders of record on August 24, 1990.

For the second quarter, B+H Ocean Carrier's net income was $1,014,000, or 25 cents per share, on revenues of $8,681,000 as compared to net income of $2,204,000, or 54 cents per share, on revenues of $8,588,000 in the like period a year ago.

For the six months net income was $4,140,000, or $1.01 per share, on revenues of $17,542,000 vs. net income of $4,636,000, or $1.14 per share, on revenues of $17,147,000 in the like period a year ago.

In this year's second quarter, the company, as previously reported, had a total of 68 days of off-hire for its 13 vessels of which 63 days related to scheduled drydockings of two product tankers.

The reduction in net income in the second 1990 quarter over the second 1989 quarter is primarily attributable to a substantial increase in drydocking costs, the loss of revenues from increased off-hire days and a reduction in COTCO pool charter rates of approximately 8.5 percent, partially offset by an approximate 19.5 percent increase in PROTRANS pool charter rates.

Over the balance of 1990, the company expects to drydock three vessels, two of which will be taken out of service in the third quarter and one in the fourth quarter.

Michael S. Hudner, president, said in making today's announcement, ''We view upgrading of the vessels as an important investment as we expect it will prolong the life and value of our ships, improve our competitive position and shareholder returns.

The company operates seven handy-size dry bulkcarriers and six product tankers.

CONTACT: The Foristall Company Inc., New York
T.F. Curtin, 212/797-4646

-30- 2103
#90226c0003 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:31 that trade in

Cable Applications Inc.(NASDAQ: CBLEE) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 1 1/16. The company is located in Garden City, NY.

-30- 352

#90226c0004 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:36 that trade in The Image Bank (NASDAQ: TIBI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 5. The company is located in New York, NY.

-30- 327

#90226c0006 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:45 that trade in Trans Continental Pipeline (NASDAQ: TGP$) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

-30- 351

#90226c0007 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Weyerhaeuser Co. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol WY. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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#90226c0008 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:01 that trade in First Essex Bancorp (NASDAQ: FESX) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 3/4; unchanged from the halt, and down 1/8 point from the previous close.

-30- 362

#90226c0009 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United Missouri Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: UMSB) earned $9.43 million, or $0.75 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $8.97 million, or $0.68 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 453

#90226c0010 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United Savings Bank (TICKER: USBK), F.A. earned $289,811, or $0.23 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $294,904, or $0.24 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 432

#90226c0011 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Commercial Decal Inc.(TICKER: COME) lost $380,883, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $1.63 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $164,809, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $2.60 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 468

#90226c0012 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Arrow Bank Corp.(TICKER: AROW) earned $1.47 million, or $0.61 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.43 million, or $0.59 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 437

#90226c0014 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Good Times Restaurants Inc.(TICKER: GTIM) lost $117,000, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $440,300 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $85,900, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $334,900 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 471

#90226c0015 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pyramid Oil Co.(TICKER: PYOL) lost $248,358, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $678,302 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $159,080, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $982,157 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 455

#90226c0016 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Seeq Technology Inc.(TICKER: SEEQ) lost $4.69 million, or $0.36 per share,

on revenues of $10.11 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.68 million, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $15.02 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 495

#90226c0017 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Transtech Industries Inc.(TICKER: TRTI) earned $69,769, or $0.02 per share on revenues of $1.02 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $466,166, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $529,420 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 473

#90226c0018 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Research Frontiers Inc.(TICKER: REFR) lost $221,234, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $88,234 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $353,145, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $75,170 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 462

#90226c0019 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pennsylvania Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: PENT) lost $1.35 million, or $0.50 per share, on revenues of $30.29 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $960,000, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $32.77 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 508

#90226c0020 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Center Banks Inc.(TICKER: CTBK) earned $252,000, or $0.25 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $892,000, or $0.87 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 406

#90226c0022 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Thermodynetics Inc.(TICKER: TDYN) lost $95,095, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.52 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $51,007, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.85 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 467

#90226c0023 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Acme Steel Co.(TICKER: ACME) earned $243,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $111.39 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $4.95 million, or $0.92 per share, on revenues of $104.79 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 484

#90226c0024 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows O! Deli Corp. lost $256,980, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $224,202 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $276,000, or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $215,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 426

#90226c0025 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American City Business Journals Inc.(TICKER: AMBJ) earned $1 million, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $18.30 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.10 million, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $14.79 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 518

#90226c0026 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Northwest Illinois Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: NWIB) earned $829,000, or $0.48 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $440,000, or $0.39 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 438
#90226c0027 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Paulson Capital Corp.(TICKER: PLCC) earned $95,730, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.36 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $64,339, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.63 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480
#90226c0028 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Evro Financial Corp.(TICKER: EVRO) earned $66,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $377,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $12,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $18,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 470
#90226c0030 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows National Western Life Insurance Co.(TICKER: NWLI) earned $635,000, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $56.14 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $128,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $45.14 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 504
#90226c0031 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Security Corp.(TICKER: FSCO) of Kentucky lost $1.64 million, or $0.18 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $4.44 million, or $0.48 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 464
#90226c0032 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Xedar Corp.(TICKER: XEDR) lost $12,413, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $46,518 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $35,988, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $35,503 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 440

#90226c0033 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Interneuron Pharmaceuticals Inc.(TICKER: IPIC) lost $695,742, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $243,681 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $167,411, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $179 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 476

#90226c0034 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Advanced NMR Systems Inc.(TICKER: ANMR) lost $778,541, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $64,155 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $425,896, or $0.03 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

Advanced NMR Systems Inc. is a development stage enterprise organized to engage in the business of research and development of MRI systems for use in clinical and research applications which are intended to combine instant imaging and its applications with conventional scanning.

-30- 746

#90226c0035 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 13) COMTEX - Gerrity Oil & Gas Corp. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 2 million shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is expected to range between $9.00 and $11.00 per share.

Alex. Brown & Sons and Boettcher & Co. Inc. are managing the offering.

Gerrity is engaged in the drilling of low risk development wells.

Gerrity Oil & Gas Corp.'s executive office is located at 3200 Cherry Creek South Drive, Suite 200, Denver, Colorado 80209 and its telephone number is (303) 722-0101.

-30- 744
#90226c0044 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:51 that trade in Projectavision (NASDAQ: PJTVU) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 3, 5; down 1/2 point from the halt and from the previous close.

-30- 344
#90226c0046 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Little Prince Productions Ltd.(TICKER: LTLP) lost $35,678, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $3,432 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $37,640, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $18,100 in the same period in 1989.

-30- 474
#90226c0047 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Broad National Bancorporation (TICKER: BNBC) earned $982,000, or $0.36 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.50 million, or $0.55 per share, for the corresponding quarter last year.

-30- 458
#90226c0048 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United Software Security (TICKER: USSI) lost $7,348, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $121,519 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $26,929, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $241,697 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 472
#90226c0049 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Tidelands Royalty Trust(TICKER: TIRZ) "B" earned $946,892, or $0.68 per share, on revenues of $998,957 for the quarter that ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.08 million, or $0.78, on revenues of $1.11 million in the same reporting period a year ago.

-30- 495

#90226c0050 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Moore Products Co.(TICKER: MORP) earned $756,000, or $0.36 per share, on revenues of $26.29 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.65 million, or $0.79 per share, on revenues of $26.89 million in the same reporting period in 1989.

-30- 494

#90226c0051 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Foothill Independent Bancorp (TICKER: FOOT) earned $860,908, or $0.28 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $859,865, or $0.28 per share, for the same reporting period a year ago.

-30- 448

#90226c0052 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Diversified Human Resources Group (TICKER: HIRE) reporting net income of $19,245 (including an extraordinary credit of $7,842), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $8.88 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $196,121 (including an extraordinary credit of $69,370), or $0.10 per share on revenues of $7.92 million in the same period a year ago.

-30- 624

#90226c0054 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows GeoResources Inc.(TICKER: GEOI) lost $39,591, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $424,416 in the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $620, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $486,391 in the corresponding reporting period in 1989.

-30- 493

#90226c0055 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Allcity Insurance Co.(TICKER: ALCI) earned $1.50 million, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $16.34 million in the quarter that ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.11 million, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $14.68 million in the same period a year ago.

-30- 515

#90226c0056 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Indiana Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: INBK) earned $288,000, or $0.44 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $360,000, or $0.55 per share, for the corresponding quarter a year ago.

-30- 451

#90226c0057 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Computer Memories Inc.(TICKER: CMIN) earned $68,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $407,000 in the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $171,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $486,000 in the same period a year ago.

-30- 477

#90226c0058 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 289,000 SHARES (5.20%) OF SUN SPORTSWEAR INC (TICKER: SSPW).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90226c0059 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 3,007,500 SHARES (8.50%) OF PIER 1 IMPORTS (TICKER: PIR) OF FT WORTH, TX.

PURPOSE:

This amendment is filed to show an increase in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 490
#90226c0060 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 2,050,000 SHARES (7.70%) OF TCBY ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: TBY) OF LITTLE ROCK, AR.

PURPOSE:

This amendment is filed to show an increase in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 485
#90226c0062 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 617,600 SHARES (6.00%) OF SILICON VALLEY GROUP INC (TICKER: SVGI) OF SAN JOSE, CA.

PURPOSE:

This amendment is filed to show an increase in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 489
#90226c0063 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 935,000 SHARES (9.80%) OF GUNDLE ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: GUN).

PURPOSE:

This amendment is filed to show an increase in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 488
#90226c0064 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A.R. PETERSON JR OWNS 1,600,000 SHARES (20.00%) OF AMERICAN DRUG SCREENS INC (TICKER: ADSI) OF OKLAHOMA CITY, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a plan of reorganization and agreement of merger, Laboratory Specialists Inc. exchanged all LSI common stock for shares of common stock of American Drug Screens Inc. and other consideration, with the result, that LSI became a wholly-owned subsidiary of American Drug Screens Inc. Pursuant to terms of the merger agreement, A.R. Peterson Jr. may be issued an additional 300,000 shares fo American Drug Screens Inc.'s common stock based on net income of LSI for the twelve months ending March 31, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Exchange of shares.

-30- 902
#90226c0065 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

A.R. PETERSON JR OWNS 1,900,000 SHARES (22.80%) OF AMERICAN DRUG SCREENS INC (TICKER: ADSI) OF OKLAHOMA CITY, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a plan of reorganization and agreement of merger, A.R. Peterson Jr. received 300,000 shares on July 5, 1990 in exchange for shares of Laboratory Specialists Inc., of which A.R. Peterson Jr. is the president. LSI then became a subsidiary of American Drug Screens Inc.

PURPOSE:

Merger.

-30- 646
#90226c0066 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ESTATE OF L.I. MILLER OWNS 571,790 SHARES (5.30%) OF EAGLE-PICHER INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: EPI) OF CINCINNATI, OH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The shares were transferred to the estate upon the death of Miller on Apr. 22, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 456
#90226c0067 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

GROUP LED BY PASKE INVESTMENTS LTD OWNS 6,849,184 SHARES (52.50%) OF BANNER INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: BNR) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 31, 1990, Banque Paribas loaned $5 million to each of Paske Investments LTD, of which $4 million by Steiner and $2.8 million by Paske were used to repay outstanding loans.

-30- 533
#90226c0068 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY WEST ASSOCIATES OWNS 1,050,000 SHARES (3.60%) OF DANAHER CORP (TICKER: DHR) OF WASHINGTON, D.C..

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 2, 1990, Danaher registered 1,517,892 Danaher shares owned by West Associates pursuant to a stock purchase agreement dated Aug. 13, 1987. Also on Aug. 2, 1990, KD agreed to sell 1.2 million shares and West to sell 150,000 shares to a group of underwriters for $20.50 per share. West also granted the underwriters an option to purchase for 30 days an additional 167,892 shares to cover over allotments, if any. West Associates have ceased to own more than 5 percent of Danaher Corp.'s common stock.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares.

-30- 878
#90226c0070 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

N.D. VAN EVERY OWNS 1,639,722 SHARES (5.20%) OF LANCE INC (TICKER: LNCE) OF CHARLOTTE, NC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

N.D. Van Every acquired 1,546,076 shares upon the death of her spouse on May 27, 1990 and her appointment at trustee of the estate on June 29, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

N.D. Van Every purchased 810 shares from May 15 to June 11, 1990 for $25.25 to $26.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 612
#90226c0071 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

S.L. VAN EVERY OWNS 1,600,445 SHARES (5.10%) OF LANCE INC (TICKER: LNCE) OF CHARLOTTE, NC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

S.L. Van Every acquired 671,652 shares upon the death of his father on May 27, 1990 and his appointment at trustee of the estate on June 29, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

S.L. Van Every acquired 249 shares in the past 60 days.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 569
#90226c0072 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY MILMAC LTD OWNS 753,913 SHARES (7.80%) OF CODA ENERGY INC (TICKER: CODA) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 1, 1990, Milmac distributed a total of 579,899 common shares and warrants to purchase 51,250 shares to its partners, which include Miller. Milmac and McAuley have ceased to be reporting persons.

PURPOSE:

Distribution of shares.

-30- 558
#90226c0073 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY TIGER OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 582,100 SHARES (26.76%) OF DELPHI FINANCIAL GRP INC (TICKER: DLFI) CLASS A OF WILMINGTON, DE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 441
#90226c0074 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY WOODLAND VENTURE FUND OF ROSLYN, NY OWNS 1,038,000 SHARES (25.90%) OF HELIAN HEALTH GROUP INC (TICKER: HHGR) OF MONTEREY, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Woodland Venture Fund, Seneca and Woodland Partners have filed a form 144 with the SEC concerning their intent to sell up to a total of 202,000 shares in the ninety days following Aug. 1, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Woodland Venture Fund sold 38,200 shares on Aug. 3, 1990 for $8.50 per share and on Aug. 1, 1990, Woodland Partners transferred 7,800 shares to three charitable organizations.

-30- 775
#90226c0075 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Technology 80 (TICKER: TKAT) reporting a net loss of $82,577, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $537,022 for the quarter ending May 31, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $39,803, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $370,889 for the same quarter in 1989.

-30- 483
#90226c0076 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows AEL Industries (TICKER: AELN) earned $906,000 (including an extraordinary credit of $327,000), or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $33.77 million for the quarter ended May 25, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $104,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $30.87 million for the same quarter in 1989.

-30- 525
#90226c0078 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Central Banking System (TICKER: CSYS) reporting earnings of $20.11 million (including an extraordinary gain of $865,000), or $4.71 per share, for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $9.67 million, or $2.26 per share, for the same reporting period a year ago.

-30- 532
#90226c0079 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Montana Precision Mining Ltd.(TICKER: MPML) lost $162,684, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $99 for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $170,548, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $48 for the same reporting period a year ago.

-30- 484
#90226c0080 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows DS Bancor Inc.(TICKER: DSBC) earned $645,000, or $0.33 per share, for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.19 million, or $0.53 per share, for the corresponding quarter in 1989.

-30- 416
#90226c0081 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Larry's Ice Cream Inc.(TICKER: LARY) lost $219,810, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $532,422 in the quarter that ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $265,998, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $611,717 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 479
#90226c0082 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Unigene Laboratories (TICKER: UGNE) reporting a net loss of $574,639, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $108,334 for the quarter ended June 30,

1990.

This compares with a net loss of $584,356, or $0.05 per share, on no revenue for the same reporting period in 1989.

-30- 502

#90226c0083 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Diversco Inc.(TICKER: DVRS) reporting net income of $301,472, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $10.31 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with income of $341,160, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $10.15 million for the corresponding period in 1989.

-30- 491

#90226c0084 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Cabarrus Savings Bank earned $84,265, or $0.12 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $147,191, or $0.21 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 408

#90226c0086 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Humphrey Inc.(TICKER: HUPH) earned $83,170, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $4.02 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $110,949, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $4.71 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 464

#90226c0087 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Avoca Inc. earned $93,942, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $106,022 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $238,011, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $369,657 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 428

#90226c0088 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Intercontinental Life Corp.(TICKER: ILCO) earned $3.33 million, or $0.46 per share, on revenues of $43.20 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $608,000, but a loss of $0.01 per share after taking preferred stock dividend requirements into account, on revenues of $41.61 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 588

#90226c0089 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Maritek Corp.(TICKER: MRTK) lost $234,907, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $23,900 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $311,147, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $7,771 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 449

#90226c0090 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Dartmouth Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: DBCI) lost $9.51 million, or $2.12 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $9.83 million, or $2.12 per share, for the same perido in 1989.

-30- 430

#90226c0091 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows International American Homes Inc.(TICKER: HOME) lost $4.09 million, or $0.59 per share, on revenues of $13.36 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.66 million, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $41.02 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 516

#90226c0092 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Excel Interfinancial Corp.(TICKER: EXEL) earned $307,776, or $0.90 per share, on revenues of $1.45 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $87,991, or $0.26 per share, on revenues

of $477,771 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 478

#90226c0094 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:16 that trade in Marietta Corp.(NASDAQ: MRTA) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 23 1/4. The company is located in Cortland, NY.

-30- 332

#90226c0095 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Arabian Shield Development Co.(TICKER: ARSD) lost $62,624, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $4.79 million for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $103,567, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $4.59 million for the same quarter a year ago.

-30- 508

#90226c0096 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows North Carolina Natural Gas Corp.(TICKER: NCNG) earned $861,000, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $25.86 million in the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $809,000, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $31.79 million for the same quarter a year ago.

-30- 512

#90226c0097 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United National Bancorp(TICKER: UNBJ) earned $1.17 million, or $0.54 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $1.21 million, or $0.57 per share, for the corresponding quarter in 1989.

United National Bancorp's executive office is located at 65 Readington Road, Branchburg, NJ 08876 and its telephone number is (201) 685-2340.

-30- 615

#90226c0098 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Doughtie's Foods Inc.(TICKER: DOBQ) earned $145,055, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $19.15 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $268,684, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $18.32 million for the same quarter in 1989.

-30- 478

#90226c0099 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Hydrogen Energy Corp.(TICKER: THEC) lost $305,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $167,000 for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $277,000, or $0.03 per share, on no revenues in the corresponding period in 1989.

-30- 472

#90226c0100 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Dynamic American (TICKER: DACO) earned $348,453, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $622,104 for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $148,876, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $214,194 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 463

#90226c0102 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Cyberoptics Corp.(TICKER: CYBE) earned $14,681, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.09 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $104,930, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $954,361 for the same quarter in 1989.

-30- 468

#90226c0103 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Yankee Energy System Inc.(TICKER: YESS) lost $2.47 million, or $0.45 per share, on revenues of $42.11 million for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $3.89 million, or $0.72 per share, on revenues of $37.69 million for the same reporting period in 1989.

-30- 510

#90226c0104 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Aero Systems Engineering Inc.(TICKER: AERS) earned $340,000, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $6.94 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $187,000, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $6.52 million for the same period a year ago.

-30- 510
#90226c0105 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:14 that trade in Marietta Corp. (NASDAQ: MRTA) has been resumed. The first sale was 19 3/4; down 3 1/2 points from the halt, and down 3 1/8 points from the previous close.

-30- 364
#90226c0106 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 13:

DynaGen Inc. (DYGN), Wts 8/9/95 (DYNGNW)
In Home Health Inc. - Units 8/10/95 (IHHIL)

The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 10:

Omega Health Systems Inc. (OHSI), Units 8/9/93 (OHSIU), Wts 8/9/93 (OHSIW)

Professional Care Inc. (PCRE) began trading on NASDAQ effective Aug. 9.

-30- 553
#90226c0107 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 13:

Great American Corp. (GTAM); Failure to respond to NASD for additional information

Spectrum Control Inc. - Wts (SPECW); Insuff. No. of active market makers

United Savings Bank (USBK); Failure to respond to NASD request for additional information

Vita Plus Industries Inc. (VPIIC); Insuff. No. of active market makers

Washington Bancorporation (WWBC); Failure to respond to NASD for additional information

The following issues were deleted from NASDAQ effective Aug. 10:

Biopore Inc. (BPORE), Units 1/16/94 (BPOUE), Cl A Wts 1/16/94 (BPOWE); Not current in required filings

-30- 841
#90226c0108 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - Absorptive Technology Inc. (ABSVF) will undergo a symbol change to (ABSFE) effective Aug. 14.

-30- 240
#90226c0110 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:20 that trade in Itel Corp.(NASDAQ: ITL) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

-30- 317
#90226c0111 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.J. JIGOUR OF 1435 RANCH CT, SAN JOSE, CA 95132, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,751 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL CMOS TECHNOLOGY IN (TICKER: ICTI) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 9, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL CMOS TECHNOLOGY IN TEL: 408 434-0678)

-30- 455
#90226c0112 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L G KYNER OF 16027 DREXEL AVE S, 0, HOLLAND, IL 60473, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,000 SHARES OF JACK CARL/312 FUTURES INC. (TICKER: FUTR) THROUGH VARIABLE ANNUITY LIFE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(JACK CARL/312 FUTURES INC. TEL: 312 407-5700)

-30- 437
#90226c0113 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STANLEY FINKEL OF 8145 SUMMERSET DR, COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80920, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,440 SHARES OF INTEGRATED LOGIC SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: ILSI) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(INTEGRATED LOGIC SYSTEM INC. TEL: 719 590-1588)

-30- 441
#90226c0114 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK E LUNDBORG OF 11654 LUANDA TERRACE, LAKEVIEW, CA 91342, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 439
#90226c0115 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ivy Medical Inc. lost $121,273, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $6,565 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $69,023, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $14,995 for the same period in 1989.

Ivy Medical is a development stage company and reports sales were lower than the first quarter of fiscal 1990 due to the long lead time necessary to introduce a new medical product.

-30- 619
#90226c0116 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Westernworld Inc. lost $1.42 million on revenues of $4.86 million for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $799,347 on revenues of $7.23 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 428
#90226c0118 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows IBS Computer Corp. lost $28,409, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of

$138,439 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $7,176, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $179,221 for the same period in 1989.

IBS Computer Corp.'s executive office is located at 5915 Graham Court, Livermore, CA 94550 and its telephone number is (415) 443-3131.

-30- 601

#90226c0119 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Farmstead Telephone Group Inc.(TICKER: FONE) lost $39,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.44 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $252,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.07 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 486

#90226c0120 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Wildey Inc.(TICKER: WILD) lost $315,332, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $431,339 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $242,849, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $38,608 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 439

#90226c0121 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Commerce Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: FCBI) earned $2.66 million, or $0.93 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.69 million, or $0.93 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 451

#90226c0122 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Provident Bankshares Corp.(TICKER: PBKS) lost $6.57 million, or $1.09 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.14 million, or $0.19 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 448
#90226c0123 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows BKLA Bancorp (TICKER: BKLA) lost $419,948, or $0.33 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $266,898, or $0.21 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 405
#90226c0124 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows St. Louis Steel Casting Inc.(TICKER: STLO) earned $263,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $72,000), or $0.88 per share, on revenues of $3.69 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $337,000 (extraordinary gain of $91,000), or $1.12 per share, on revenues of $3.92 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 568
#90226c0126 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Simmons First National Corp.(TICKER: SFNC) earned $745,000, or $0.53 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $538,000, or $0.38 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 428
#90226c0127 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Summit Holding Corp.(TICKER: SUHC) reporting net income of $1.01 million, or $0.52 per share, for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $921,168, or $0.45 per share, for the corresponding period in 1989.

-30- 464
#90226c0128 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Parlux Fragrances Inc.(TICKER: PARL) lost $985,299, or $0.41 per share, on revenues of $4.48 million for the quarter ending June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $359,343, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $3.89 million for the same period a year ago.

-30- 474

#90226c0129 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Chandler Insurance Company, Ltd.(TICKER: CHAN) reporting a second quarter gain of $3.03 million, or $0.40 per share, on revenues of $48.54 million.

This compares with a net gain of $2.64 million, or $0.50 per share, on revenues of $31.84 million in the same reporting period last year.

-30- 519

#90226c0130 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Vision Centers Inc.(TICKER: AMVC) lost $1.16 million, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $9.15 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $140,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $9.13 million for the same quarter in 1989.

-30- 502

#90226c0131 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Kent Financial Services Inc.(TICKER: KENT) reported a second quarter loss of $1.43 million (including an extraordinary gain of $102,000), or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $975,000.

This compares with a net loss of $261,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $68,000), or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $706,000 for the same period last year.

-30- 580

#90226c0132 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Consumer Products Inc.(TICKER: ACPI) earned $302,000, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $22.44 million in the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with $518,000 in earnings, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $21.39 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 498
#90226c0134 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mid-American Lines Inc.(TICKER: MAML) earned $16,693, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.96 million for the quarter for the quarter ended June 30 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $20,794, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $2.83 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 495
#90226c0135 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Technical Communications Corp.(TICKER: TCCO) earned $198,361, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $2.39 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $436,990, or $0.36 per share, on revenues of $3.04 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 496
#90226c0136 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Century South Banks Inc.(TICKER: CSBI) reporting earnings of $676,336, or $0.15 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $749,407, or $0.21 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 445
#90226c0137 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Cyberoptics Corp.(TICKER: CYBE) earned $14,681, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.09 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $104,930, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $954,361 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 478
#90226c0138 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Data Transmission Network (TICKER: DTLN) reporting earnings of $314,087, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $4.33 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $192,834, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $3.50 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 518

#90226c0139 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Independent Bankgroup Inc.(TICKER: IBGI) earned $1.23 million, or $0.61 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.26 million, or $0.64 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 454

#90226c0140 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows ASHA Corp.(TICKER: ASHA) lost $200,566, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $129,530 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $13,769, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $293,963 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 457

#90226c0142 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Rentrak Corp.(TICKER: RENT) earned $135,392, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $7.52 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $755,703, or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $2.76 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 464

#90226c0143 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 16:15 that trade in W Bell Co. (NASDAQ: BLLW) has been resumed. The first sale was 3; up 1/2 point from the halt and from the previous close.

-30- 326

#90226c0144 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Union Bank & Trust Co. earned $221,955, or $0.06 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.27 million, or $0.33 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 412

#90226c0145 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows CNS Inc.(TICKER: CNXS) earned $47,811, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.71 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $45,659, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.87 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 464

#90226c0146 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Carolina Investors Inc.(TICKER: FCAR) lost $64,365, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $587,054 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $18,297, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $393,370 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 478

#90226c0147 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows TM Communications Inc.(TICKER: TMCI) lost $32,876, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.29 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $92,389, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $701,097 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 474

#90226c0148 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Questa Oil & Gas Corp.(TICKER: QUES) earned $66,843, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $473,045 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $10,879, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $397,865 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 465

#90226c0150 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Auto-Trol Technology Corp.(TICKER: ATTC) earned $307,000, or $0.04 per

share, on revenues of $20.07 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $331,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $21.79 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 496

#90226c0151 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Habersham Energy Co. earned $3,675 (including an extraordinary gain of $1,066), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $466,436 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $75,135 (extraordinary gain of $28,754), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $476,217 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 546

#90226c0152 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Control Resource Industries Inc.(TICKER: CRIX) earned $312,000, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $8.69 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $209,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $10.33 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 500

#90226c0153 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Acmat Corp.(TICKER: ACMT) earned $749,874, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $10.65 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $664,831, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $7.49 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 461

#90226c0154 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Peoples Bancorp of Worcester Inc.(TICKER: PPLB) earned $1.26 million, or $0.48 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.48 million, or $0.51 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 456
#90226c0155 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows State Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: STBC) earned $660,028, or $0.26 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $713,435, or $0.29 per share, for the same period in 1989.

State Bancorp Inc.'s executive office is located at 699 Hillside Ave., New Hyde Park, NJ 11040 and its telephone number is (516) 437-1000.

-30- 570
#90226c0156 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Kaplan Industries Inc.(TICKER: KAPL) lost $540,000, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $18.20 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $388,000, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $17.97 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 473
#90226c0158 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Apco Argentina Inc.(TICKER: APAG) earned $2.68 million, or $0.35 per share on revenues of $4.40 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $344,196 (including a loss of $700,000 from discontinued operations), or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $832,770 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 534
#90226c0159 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
NEW YORK (AUG 14) COMTEX - Today's weekly auctions of Citicorp Auction (CAPS) Paper set rates of 7.861% for 91-day paper, up from 7.793% last week, and 7.764% for 182-day paper, down from 7.7186% last week.

For the 91-day paper, accepted bids ranged from a low rate of 7.847% to a high rate of 7.87%. A total of $415 million in bids was submitted, of which $50 million was accepted. Citicorp said that 75% of the bids at the high rate were accepted on a pro-rata basis.

For the 182-day paper, accepted bids ranged from a low rate of 7.74% to a high rate of 7.788%. A total of $380 million in bids was submitted, of which $50 million was accepted. Citicorp said that 25% of the bids at the

high rate were accepted on a pro-rata basis.

Citicorp will take bids totalling $50 million on new 91-day paper and $50 million on new 182-day paper next Tuesday.

-30- 998
#90226c0160 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, B.J. RUSSELL, DIR. OF FIDELITY SOUTHERN CORP. SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,250.

-30- 301
#90226c0161 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, E.J. COTTER, DIR. OF FIRST WEST CHESTER CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,501.

-30- 299
#90226c0162 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, J.A. LOBOSCO, DIR. OF GREAT FALLS BANCORP BOUGHT 1,194 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,819.

-30- 300
#90226c0163 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 2, 1990, D.B. LILLY, DIR. OF HARVEST BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90226c0164 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 2, 1990, D.B. LILLY, DIR. OF HARVEST BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 618,354.

-30- 294
#90226c0166 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, J.M. DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF TRILLING MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC.(TICKER: BURN) BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,458,473.

-30- 356
#90226c0167 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, J.T. AUGUST, DIR. OF DIAGNON CORP. (TICKER: DIGN) BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.07 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 992,340.

-30- 299
#90226c0168 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, W.S. DORNETTE, SHAREHOLDER OF MCS TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC.(TICKER: MTEL) SOLD 639,925 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,000.

-30- 345
#90226c0169 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 3, 1990, R.M. HART, DIR. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTII), SOLD 15,750 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90226c0170 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, R.M. HART, DIR. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTII), SOLD 5,250 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90226c0171 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 17, 1990, R.M. HART, DIR. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTII), SOLD 9,125 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,541,983.

-30- 316
#90226c0172 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 2, 1990, M.W. HIRST, SHAREHOLDER OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTII), SOLD 15,750 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90226c0174 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 17, 1990, M.W. HIRST, SHAREHOLDER OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTII), SOLD 9,125 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,611,983.

-30- 332
#90226c0175 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, E.J. SPIEGEL JR, DIR. OF LACLEDE STEEL CO. (TICKER: LCLD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 350.

-30- 306
#90226c0176 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 5, 1990, R.L. EMERSON, VP OF SANFORD CORP. (TICKER: SANF), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90226c0177 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, R.L. EMERSON, VP OF SANFORD CORP. (TICKER: SANF), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,583.

-30- 295
#90226c0178 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, J.A. BOGARDUS, DIR. OF SECURITY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: SCC), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 319
#90226c0179 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, A.G. GEBAUER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SECURITY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: SCC), BOUGHT 2,141,500 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,141,500.

-30- 355
#90226c0180 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, F.J. SOKOL, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SECURITY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: SCC), BOUGHT 2,141,500 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,141,500.

-30- 356
#90226c0182 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 18, 1990, V.D. MASLIA, DIR. OF CHATTAHOOCHEE BANCORP INC. SOLD 35,400 SHARES AT $6.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,400.

-30- 308
#90226c0183 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 18, 1990, C.F. ULMER, CHAIRMAN OF EVANS BANCORP INC. SOLD 264 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,012.

-30- 292
#90226c0184 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, L.H. STRICKLAND, DIR. OF BRIDGE BANCORP INC. SOLD 535 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 390.

-30- 295

#90226c0185 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 3, 1990, D.D. ALGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SPECTRA FUND INC. (TICKER: SPEF) BOUGHT 1,296 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,793.

-30- 328
#90226c0186 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ERIC F HARSLEM, OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 4,333 SHARES AT $41.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 301
#90226c0187 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, KENNETH R RATCLIFFE, VP OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 234 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 776.

-30- 310
#90226c0188 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, W GERALD AUSTEN, DIR. OF ABIOMED INC. (TICKER: ABD), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90226c0190 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, W GERALD AUSTEN, DIR. OF ABIOMED INC. (TICKER: ABD), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,400.

-30- 297
#90226c0191 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, BOONE A KNOX, DIR. OF ALLIED BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: ABGA), SOLD 220,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 1,279,236.

-30- 323
#90226c0192 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, BOONE A KNOX, DIR. OF ALLIED BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: ABGA), SOLD 7,358 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90226c0193 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, PETER S KNOX JR, BEN. OWNER OF ALLIED BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: ABGA), SOLD 220,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 957,780.

-30- 336
#90226c0194 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, RICHARD A GREENAWALT, PRES. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,455.

-30- 313
#90226c0195 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0196 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0198 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0199 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 257,973.

-30- 314
#90226c0200 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 198,940.

-30- 315
#90226c0201 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RONALD F COSGRAVE, DIR. OF ALASKA AIR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ALK), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 318
#90226c0202 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, DAVID P COOK, BEN. OWNER OF AMTECH CORP. (TICKER: AMTC), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 552,747.

-30- 311
#90226c0203 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ANTHONY INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ANTHONY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ANT), BOUGHT 288 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90226c0204 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ANTHONY INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ANTHONY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ANT), BOUGHT 298 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90226c0206 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, B PHIL RICHARDSON, DIR. OF AMSOUTH BANCORP. (TICKER: ASO), BOUGHT 127 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 127.

-30- 313
#90226c0207 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, LOWELL T SWENSON, DIR. OF MESABA AVIATION CORP. (TICKER: ATCC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 152,924.

-30- 322
#90226c0208 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ALLTEL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ADVANCED TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ATEL), BOUGHT 200,000 SHARES AT $20.66 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,584,657.

-30- 352
#90226c0209 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, INVESTMENTS CARLTON, BEN. OWNER OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 100,752 SHARES AT $25.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90226c0210 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, INVESTMENTS CARLTON, BEN. OWNER OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 190,300 SHARES AT $26.72 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,243,948.

-30- 358
#90226c0211 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 02, 1988, ROGER R PHILLIPS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 214,231.

-30- 331
#90226c0212 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 04, 1988, ROGER R PHILLIPS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90226c0214 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 25, 1988, ROGER R PHILLIPS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), BOUGHT 33,334 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90226c0215 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, RAYMOND V HAYSBERT, DIR. OF BELL ATLANTIC CORP. (TICKER: BEL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $46.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,998.

-30- 316
#90226c0216 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, MATS RANBY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BIOPOOL INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BIPL), BOUGHT 250,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 563,507.

-30- 341
#90226c0217 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 10,900 SHARES AT $17.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90226c0218 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90226c0219 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $17.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90226c0220 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90226c0222 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 4,875 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90226c0223 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, HARRY R DISBROW, DIR. OF B.M.J. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BMJF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,087.

-30- 317
#90226c0224 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, DAVID E FISHER, DIR. OF BELL SAVINGS HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: BSBX), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 771.

-30- 324
#90226c0225 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, DAVID E FISHER, DIR. OF BELL SAVINGS HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: BSBX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,171.

-30- 328
#90226c0226 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, RALPH L MACDONALD JR, OFFICER OF BANKERS TRUST NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: BT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $38.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,982.

-30- 343
#90226c0227 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, GARY E MARTINELLI, DIR. OF COMPUTER ASSOCIATES INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,600.

-30- 350
#90226c0228 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, GARY E MARTINELLI, DIR. OF COMPUTER ASSOCIATES INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CA), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90226c0230 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, SIDNEY S KAHN, DIR. OF CAERE CORP. (TICKER: CAER), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $24.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90226c0231 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, SIDNEY S KAHN, DIR. OF CAERE CORP. (TICKER: CAER), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $24.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90226c0232 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, SIDNEY S KAHN, DIR. OF CAERE CORP. (TICKER: CAER), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90226c0233 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SIDNEY S KAHN, DIR. OF CAERE CORP. (TICKER: CAER), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90226c0234 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SIDNEY S KAHN, DIR. OF CAERE CORP. (TICKER: CAER), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 289,007.

-30- 296
#90226c0235 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, RICHARD L SHARP, PRES. OF CIRCUIT CITY STORES INC. (TICKER: CC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90226c0236 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, RICHARD L SHARP, PRES. OF CIRCUIT CITY STORES INC. (TICKER: CC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 459,530.

-30- 325
#90226c0238 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, PHILIP DUVA, VP OF THE COMPUTER FACTORY INC. (TICKER: CFA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 304
#90226c0239 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DANIEL AMSTER, DIR. OF CITIZENS FIRST BANCORP INC. (NJ) (TICKER: CFB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 235,000.

-30- 335
#90226c0240 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, DANIEL AMSTER, DIR. OF CITIZENS FIRST BANCORP INC. (NJ) (TICKER: CFB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90226c0241 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, PHILLIP D GREEN, VP OF CULLEN/FROST BANKERS INC. (TICKER: CFBI), SOLD 1,350 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,955.

-30- 321
#90226c0242 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, GERALD W MONTIEL, PRES. OF CHARTER GOLF INC. (TICKER: CGOL), SOLD 48,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 640,545.

-30- 330
#90226c0243 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $70.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90226c0244 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 14,400 SHARES AT $69.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90226c0246 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $68.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90226c0247 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $69.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90226c0248 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $70.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90226c0249 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP.

(TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $70.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90226c0250 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP.
(TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $70.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90226c0251 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP.
(TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $69.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90226c0252 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP.
(TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 440 SHARES AT $69.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90226c0254 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP.
(TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $69.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90226c0255 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP.
(TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $69.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90226c0256 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP.

(TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $70.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90226c0257 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP.
(TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $72.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90226c0258 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP.
(TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $73.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90226c0259 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP.
(TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $74.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90226c0260 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP.
(TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $75.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90226c0262 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP.
(TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 3,172 SHARES AT $75.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90226c0263 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP.

(TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 14,135 SHARES AT $77.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,035,538.

-30- 324
#90226c0264 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, CONSOLIDATED NG ALT THRIFT TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), BOUGHT 18,177 SHARES AT $43.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 351
#90226c0265 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 4,600 SHARES AT $3.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90226c0266 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 7,700 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90226c0267 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,333,800.

-30- 361
#90226c0268 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, KENNETH L LAY, DIR. OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $55.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90226c0270 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, RODNEY NAHAMA, DIR. OF CAL REP BANCORP. (TICKER: CRBI), BOUGHT 368 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,368.

-30- 304
#90226c0271 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, FRANK E REED, DIR. OF CORESTATES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSFN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $37.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,950.

-30- 319
#90226c0272 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, WESTERN & SOUTHERN LIFE INS CO, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90226c0273 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, WESTERN & SOUTHERN LIFE INS CO, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 689,200.

-30- 366
#90226c0274 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, C HERBERT MAGRUDER, DIR. OF CONGRESS STREET PROPERTY INC. (TICKER: CSTP), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 338
#90226c0275 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, GEORGE E PUTNAM, OFFICER OF CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL

PETROLEUM LTD. (TICKER: CXY), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90226c0276 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, GEORGE E PUTNAM, OFFICER OF CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD. (TICKER: CXY), SOLD 477 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90226c0278 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, GEORGE E PUTNAM, OFFICER OF CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD. (TICKER: CXY), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90226c0279 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, GEORGE E PUTNAM, OFFICER OF CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD. (TICKER: CXY), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90226c0280 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, GEORGE E PUTNAM, OFFICER OF CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD. (TICKER: CXY), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90226c0281 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, DAVID L HEAVENRIDGE, VP OF DOMINION RESOURCES INC.(VA) (TICKER: D), SOLD 297 SHARES AT $45.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175.

-30- 325
#90226c0282 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, RAYMOND WANG, OFFICER OF DIODES INC. (TICKER: DIO), SOLD 120,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,300.

-30- 297
#90226c0283 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, TIGER, BEN. OWNER OF DELPHI FINANCIAL GRP INC. (TICKER: DLFI), BOUGHT 5,300 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 321,100.

-30- 318
#90226c0284 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, EMPIRE OF CAROLINA INC, BEN. OWNER OF DELTONA CORP. (TICKER: DLT), BOUGHT 144,500 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,155,066.

-30- 335
#90226c0286 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOHN W VAUGHAN, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 450 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 325
#90226c0287 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JAMES A WEBB JR, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,842.

-30- 326
#90226c0288 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, RAYMOND B WITT JR, DIR. OF DIXIE YARNS INC. (TICKER: DXYN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90226c0289 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, RAYMOND B WITT JR, DIR. OF DIXIE YARNS INC. (TICKER: DXYN), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,666.

-30- 306
#90226c0290 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, BRUCE P BRICKNER, CHAIRMAN OF DEKALB ENERGY CO. (TICKER: ENRG), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 318
#90226c0291 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90226c0292 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90226c0294 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90226c0295 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90226c0296 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, HARRY L THURMON, VP OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,000.

-30- 299
#90226c0297 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JUAN A RODRIGUEZ, CHAIRMAN OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $21.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 390,700.

-30- 317
#90226c0298 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, DONALD R BREGANDE, OFFICER OF FAY'S INC. (TICKER: FAY), SOLD 371 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,723.

-30- 299
#90226c0299 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, T ALLAN MCARTOR, VP OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $43.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 309
#90226c0300 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ROBERT W KNIPE, VP OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), SOLD 651 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,411.

-30- 324
#90226c0302 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, ROBERT G TODD JR, DIR. OF FLEXTRONICS INC. (TICKER: FLEX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90226c0303 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ROBERT G TODD JR, DIR. OF FLEXTRONICS INC. (TICKER: FLEX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90226c0304 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ROBERT G TODD JR, DIR. OF FLEXTRONICS INC. (TICKER: FLEX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90226c0305 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ROBERT G TODD JR, DIR. OF FLEXTRONICS INC. (TICKER: FLEX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90226c0306 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, ROBERT G TODD JR, DIR. OF FLEXTRONICS INC. (TICKER: FLEX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90226c0307 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ROBERT G TODD JR, DIR. OF FLEXTRONICS INC. (TICKER: FLEX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90226c0308 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT G TODD JR, DIR. OF FLEXTRONICS INC. (TICKER: FLEX), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 565,691.

-30- 311
#90226c0310 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, DAVID HIRSCH, DIR. OF FIRST NEW YORK BUSINESS BANK CORP. (TICKER: FNYB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,000.

-30- 339
#90226c0311 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, DIR. OF FIRST WACHOVIA CORP. (TICKER: FW), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $40.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90226c0312 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, DIR. OF FIRST WACHOVIA CORP. (TICKER: FW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $40.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,653,073.

-30- 319
#90226c0313 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, DIR. OF FIRST WACHOVIA CORP. (TICKER: FW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $40.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,251,661.

-30- 321
#90226c0314 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, EZRA DABAH, DIR. OF THE GITANO GROUP INC. (TICKER: GIT), SOLD 72,500 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

2,732,585.

-30- 310
#90226c0315 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, HAIM DABAH, PRES. OF THE GITANO GROUP INC. (TICKER: GIT), SOLD 72,500 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,847,067.

-30- 314
#90226c0316 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, ISAAC M DABAH, DIR. OF THE GITANO GROUP INC. (TICKER: GIT), SOLD 72,500 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,847,567.

-30- 315
#90226c0318 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, ROBERT REISS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE GITANO GROUP INC. (TICKER: GIT), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 386,831.

-30- 332
#90226c0319 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, DAVID W BURLING, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $64.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,400.

-30- 282
#90226c0320 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, DAVID R JACKSON, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $60.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90226c0321 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DAVID R JACKSON, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $58.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,562.

-30- 282
#90226c0322 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, MARK C POPE III, CHAIRMAN OF GRAPHIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GRPH), BOUGHT 650 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,085,867.

-30- 317
#90226c0323 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 21,500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90226c0324 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 5,852 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90226c0326 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 21,400 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90226c0327 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 19,412 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276

#90226c0328 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 5,624 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90226c0329 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 7,762 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90226c0330 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90226c0331 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90226c0332 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 8,587 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90226c0334 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 17,199 SHARES AT $11.49 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,785,274.

-30- 317
#90226c0335 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, T LOUIS AUSTIN JR, DIR. OF HALLIBURTON CO. (TICKER: HAL), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $51.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 311
#90226c0336 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, EDWARD S DAVIS, DIR. OF HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,900.

-30- 312
#90226c0337 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM E KREGER, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANKCORP INC. (TICKER: HEBC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,655.

-30- 325
#90226c0338 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, GERALD J LEWIS, DIR. OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HENP), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,900.

-30- 314
#90226c0339 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, NANCY B EDDY, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,134.

-30- 316
#90226c0340 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, MICHAEL MCALLISTER, VP OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM), SOLD 715 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90226c0342 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, MARTIN H RUBY, OFFICER OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 14,900 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 251,990.

-30- 303
#90226c0343 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, MARTIN H RUBY, OFFICER OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 42,500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90226c0344 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, MARTIN H RUBY, OFFICER OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90226c0345 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, MARTIN H RUBY, OFFICER OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 302
#90226c0346 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RONALD D ANDERSON, VP OF INTERNATIONAL FLAVORS & FRAG"R"ANCES INC. (TICKER: IFF), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $71.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309

#90226c0347 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RONALD D ANDERSON, VP OF INTERNATIONAL FLAVORS & FRAG"R"ANCES INC. (TICKER: IFF), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $71.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,996.

-30- 345
#90226c0348 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 262,700.

-30- 345
#90226c0350 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, EUGENE P BEARD, VP OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90226c0351 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, EUGENE P BEARD, VP OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,491.

-30- 322
#90226c0352 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ARTHUR E WILEN, VP OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 20,801 SHARES AT $34.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51.

-30- 322
#90226c0353 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, ARTHUR E WILEN, VP OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS.

(TICKER: IPG), SOLD 768 SHARES AT $34.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90226c0354 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, COSMO S TRAPANI, VP OF INSTRON CORP. (TICKER: ISN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 291
#90226c0355 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, MORTON I FUNGER, DIR. OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,678.

-30- 317
#90226c0356 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 784,180.

-30- 361
#90226c0358 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 04, 1990, CELESTE K HAMPTON, DIR. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $23.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 265,974.

-30- 326
#90226c0359 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 117 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90226c0360 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 116 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90226c0361 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 304 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90226c0362 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 107 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90226c0363 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 562 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90226c0364 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 185 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90226c0366 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, GENE P GARDNER, DIR. OF LOUISVILLE GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: LOU), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,800.

-30- 330

#90226c0367 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, PERRY CONSTANTINE, VP OF LSI LOGIC CORP. (TICKER: LSI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,597.

-30- 305
#90226c0368 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT W LYNN, SHAREHOLDER OF LIFE TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: LTEK), SOLD 4,660 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,810.

-30- 329
#90226c0369 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, WALTER A HILL SR, DIR. OF LSB BANCSHARES INC. (NC) (TICKER: LXBK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,174.

-30- 319
#90226c0370 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, DAVID A SMITH, DIR. OF LSB BANCSHARES INC. (NC) (TICKER: LXBK), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90226c0371 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, HENRY C WAGNER, DIR. OF MID-AMERICA BANCORP. (TICKER: MABC), BOUGHT 210 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 446.

-30- 313
#90226c0372 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, JOHN P GIUGGIO, DIR. OF MCCAW CELLULAR

COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: MCAW), SOLD 32,000 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE
BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 103,736.

-30- 347
#90226c0374 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RICHARD A DAMORE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MECA SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: MECA), SOLD 334,000 SHARES AT $9.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 866,000.

-30- 349
#90226c0375 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, MICHAEL T FITZGERALD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MECA SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: MECA), SOLD 284,000 SHARES AT $9.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 916,000.

-30- 358
#90226c0376 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, HAMBRO INTL VENTURE FD II, BEN. OWNER OF MECA SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: MECA), SOLD 303,940 SHARES AT $9.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 788,060.

-30- 352
#90226c0377 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, GARNER W LESTER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MECA SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: MECA), SOLD 84,000 SHARES AT $9.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 196,000.

-30- 338
#90226c0378 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, PALMER ORGANIZATION III LP, BEN. OWNER OF MECA SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: MECA), SOLD 284,000 SHARES AT $9.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 916,000.

-30- 354
#90226c0379 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, DANIEL M SCHLEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MECA SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: MECA), SOLD 298,000 SHARES AT $9.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 702,000.

-30- 364
#90226c0380 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1989, ALEXANDER H DUNBAR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MORGAN PRODUCTS LTD. (TICKER: MGN), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90226c0382 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1989, FRANK J HAWLEY JR, CHAIRMAN OF MORGAN PRODUCTS LTD. (TICKER: MGN), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90226c0383 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1989, FRANK J HAWLEY JR, CHAIRMAN OF MORGAN PRODUCTS LTD. (TICKER: MGN), BOUGHT 75,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90226c0384 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1989, SAUGATUCK CAP CO LP, BEN. OWNER OF MORGAN PRODUCTS LTD. (TICKER: MGN), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90226c0385 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1989, SAUGATUCK CAP CO LP, BEN. OWNER OF MORGAN PRODUCTS LTD. (TICKER: MGN), BOUGHT 75,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90226c0386 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, SAXTON D HOWELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCGRATH RENTCORP. (TICKER: MGRC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90226c0387 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, SAXTON D HOWELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCGRATH RENTCORP. (TICKER: MGRC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 119,875.

-30- 339
#90226c0388 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, FRED A ERB, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $28.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,175.

-30- 311
#90226c0390 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, MICHIGAN NATL CORP DEF COMP PL, BEN. OWNER OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 21,420 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,456,571.

-30- 365
#90226c0391 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JOHN H KREHBIEL SR, CHAIRMAN OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), BOUGHT 111 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,493,052.

-30- 311
#90226c0392 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, FRED HITTMAN, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS CORP. (TICKER: NLCO), SOLD 70,000 SHARES AT $15.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 158,200.

-30- 332
#90226c0393 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, RICHARD E HUG, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS CORP. (TICKER: NLCO), SOLD 232,400 SHARES AT $15.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100,396.

-30- 365
#90226c0394 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, RUSSELL R JONES, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS CORP. (TICKER: NLCO), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $15.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 330
#90226c0395 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, LEGG MASON INC, BEN. OWNER OF ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS CORP. (TICKER: NLCO), SOLD 240,616 SHARES AT $15.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 445,384.

-30- 346
#90226c0396 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, RAYMOND A MASON, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS CORP. (TICKER: NLCO), SOLD 82,000 SHARES AT $15.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,500.

-30- 333
#90226c0398 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JEAN H GOULDING, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NYMAGIC INC.

(TICKER: NYMG), SOLD 9,440 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 327
#90226c0399 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JAMES A LAMBERT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NYMAGIC INC. (TICKER: NYMG), SOLD 6,350 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 325
#90226c0400 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, SERGIO B TOBIA, DIR. OF NYMAGIC INC. (TICKER: NYMG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,720.

-30- 296
#90226c0401 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90226c0402 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90226c0403 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90226c0404 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $17.64 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90226c0406 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $16.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,195,000.

-30- 338
#90226c0407 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, EDWARD A JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF OPTIMUMCARE CORP. (TICKER: OPMC), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 334,380.

-30- 316
#90226c0408 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, DONALD L LUCAS, DIR. OF ORACLE SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: ORCL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90226c0409 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DONALD L LUCAS, DIR. OF ORACLE SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: ORCL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,000.

-30- 318
#90226c0410 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, THOMAS FREDERICK SCHUTTE, DIR. OF OLD STONE CORP. (TICKER: OSTN), BOUGHT 566 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 311
#90226c0411 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, WILLIAM K REZTER, SHAREHOLDER OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90226c0412 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, WILLIAM K REZTER, SHAREHOLDER OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90226c0414 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, WILLIAM K REZTER, SHAREHOLDER OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90226c0415 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, WILLIAM K REZTER, SHAREHOLDER OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90226c0416 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, WILLIAM K REZTER, SHAREHOLDER OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90226c0417 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, WILLIAM K REZTER, SHAREHOLDER OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 371
#90226c0418 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, R DAN EWELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PACIFIC AGRICULTURAL HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: PAGH), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90226c0419 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, R DAN EWELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PACIFIC AGRICULTURAL HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: PAGH), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90226c0420 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, R DAN EWELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PACIFIC AGRICULTURAL HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: PAGH), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $2.99 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 899,475.

-30- 369
#90226c0422 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, ROBERT G HERNDON, VP OF PIER 1 IMPORTS INC. (TICKER: PIR), BOUGHT 622 SHARES AT $11.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 93,859.

-30- 309
#90226c0423 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, LAWRENCE P KLAMON, DIR. OF PIER 1 IMPORTS INC. (TICKER: PIR), BOUGHT 923 SHARES AT $11.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,190.

-30- 307

#90226c0424 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, J RODNEY LAWRENCE, VP OF PIER 1 IMPORTS INC. (TICKER: PIR), BOUGHT 809 SHARES AT $11.72 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,352.

-30- 310
#90226c0425 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, THOMAS N WARNER, DIR. OF PIER 1 IMPORTS INC. (TICKER: PIR), BOUGHT 966 SHARES AT $11.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,128.

-30- 310
#90226c0426 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, E MITCHELL WEATHERLY, VP OF PIER 1 IMPORTS INC. (TICKER: PIR), BOUGHT 783 SHARES AT $11.72 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,910.

-30- 314
#90226c0427 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, THOMAS A BETTS JR, DIR. OF PLANTERS CORP. (TICKER: PNBT), BOUGHT 324 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,540.

-30- 303
#90226c0428 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, ERNEST L EVANS, DIR. OF PLANTERS CORP. (TICKER: PNBT), BOUGHT 329 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 743.

-30- 297
#90226c0430 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, D WAYNE PETERSON, DIR. OF PLANTERS CORP. (TICKER: PNBT), BOUGHT 308 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 448.

-30- 302
#90226c0431 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WILLIAM E PRATHER JR, DIR. OF PLANTERS CORP. (TICKER: PNBT), BOUGHT 307 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 854.

-30- 305
#90226c0432 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, EDWARD C SMITH JR, DIR. OF PLANTERS CORP. (TICKER: PNBT), BOUGHT 305 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,591.

-30- 304
#90226c0433 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, STEPHEN W SEALE JR, DIR. OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,546.

-30- 314
#90226c0434 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, POLAROID SEP & TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF POLAROID CORP. (TICKER: PRD), BOUGHT 2,630 SHARES AT $39.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90226c0435 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, A COLEMAN PIPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90226c0436 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, A COLEMAN PIPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 330
#90226c0438 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 218,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90226c0439 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90226c0440 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90226c0441 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 138,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90226c0442 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,162,987.

-30- 329
#90226c0443 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 139,447 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90226c0444 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 21,000 SHARES AT $17.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90226c0446 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90226c0447 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90226c0448 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90226c0449 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 11,500 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90226c0450 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 13,500 SHARES AT $16.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90226c0451 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 16,500 SHARES AT $16.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90226c0452 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90226c0454 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, BERNARD M FRANK, DIR. OF PEOPLE'S TELEPHONE CO. (TICKER: PTEL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 263,000.

-30- 334
#90226c0455 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, GEORGE L COLEMAN, DIR. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $81.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,260.

-30- 305
#90226c0456 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, KAREN NEWHAM, OFFICER OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $0.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 297
#90226c0457 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 202 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90226c0458 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,835 SHARES AT $8.36 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90226c0459 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,358 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90226c0460 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 223 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90226c0462 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,502 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,269,852.

-30- 350
#90226c0463 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, O WAYNE ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 194 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90226c0464 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, O WAYNE ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,762 SHARES AT $8.36 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90226c0465 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, O WAYNE ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,304 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,791,208.

-30- 351
#90226c0466 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 202 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90226c0467 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,835 SHARES AT $8.36 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90226c0468 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,358 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 310

#90226c0470 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 2,538 SHARES AT $8.36 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90226c0471 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,878 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,440,410.

-30- 352
#90226c0472 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ROCKWELL INTL CORP ESP, BEN. OWNER OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), BOUGHT 226,900 SHARES AT $27.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90226c0473 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ROCKWELL INTL CORP ESP, BEN. OWNER OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), BOUGHT 109,000 SHARES AT $27.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90226c0474 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ROSS D SIRAGUSA JR, DIR. OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), SOLD 5,730 SHARES AT $28.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,543.

-30- 330
#90226c0475 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, RICHARD E BRAVMAN, VP OF SYMBOL TECHNOLOGIES INC.

(TICKER: SBL), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90226c0476 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, CITY NATL BANK TTEE LESOP, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), SOLD 536 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90226c0478 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, DANN V ANGELOFF, DIR. OF STORAGE EQUITIES INC. (TICKER: SEQ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 320
#90226c0479 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90226c0480 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90226c0481 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90226c0482 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90226c0483 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90226c0484 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90226c0486 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90226c0487 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90226c0488 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90226c0489 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90226c0490 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 550,632.

-30- 335
#90226c0491 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, COLEMAN R ROBINSON, DIR. OF SCHIELD MANAGEMENT CO. (TICKER: SMCC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 330
#90226c0492 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, WILBUR L SCHIELD, DIR. OF SCHIELD MANAGEMENT CO. (TICKER: SMCC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 280,000.

-30- 328
#90226c0494 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, DOUGLAS E EBERT, PRES. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,200.

-30- 322
#90226c0495 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, DOUGLAS E EBERT, PRES. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90226c0496 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, FRED R NICHOLS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TCA CABLE TV INC. (TICKER: TCAT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,456.

-30- 334
#90226c0497 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, RUSSELL G DONHAM, OFFICER OF TEAM INC. (TICKER: TMI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,500.

-30- 296
#90226c0498 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, ROBERT C HOWARD, VP OF THERMO ELECTRON CORP. (TICKER: TMO), SOLD 13,500 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,263.

-30- 314
#90226c0499 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90226c0500 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,735,326.

-30- 356
#90226c0502 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, ARCH C SCURLOCK, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90226c0503 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, ARCH C SCURLOCK, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 5,100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,740.

-30- 367
#90226c0504 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, C WATSON LAWHON, DIR. OF TULTEX CORP. (TICKER: TTX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,470.

-30- 298
#90226c0505 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, LOUIS E SMART, DIR. OF TW HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: TWFS), BOUGHT 200,000 SHARES AT $5.54 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,000.

-30- 310
#90226c0506 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $92.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0507 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $93.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90226c0508 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $93.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90226c0510 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $92.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0511 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $92.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0512 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $92.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0513 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $92.67 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0514 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $92.67 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0515 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $92.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0516 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $92.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0518 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $92.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0519 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $93.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0520 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $93.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0521 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $93.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0522 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $93.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0523 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $92.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90226c0524 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $92.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,031.

-30- 314
#90226c0526 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, WILLIAM P JAYCOX, VP OF TYSON FOODS INC. (TICKER: TYSN), BOUGHT 388 SHARES AT $30.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,882.

-30- 301
#90226c0527 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, WILLIAM E CORNELIUS, CHAIRMAN OF UNION ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: UEP), BOUGHT 768 SHARES AT $26.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90226c0528 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, WILLIAM E CORNELIUS, CHAIRMAN OF UNION ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: UEP), BOUGHT 768 SHARES AT $26.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,884.

-30- 328
#90226c0529 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RICHARD H MOLKE, DIR. OF UNITED MOBILE HOMES INC. (TICKER: UMHI), BOUGHT 12,030 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,992.

-30- 328
#90226c0530 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RICHARD H MOLKE, DIR. OF UNITED MOBILE HOMES INC. (TICKER: UMHI), BOUGHT 12,030 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90226c0531 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RICHARD H MOLKE, DIR. OF UNITED MOBILE HOMES INC. (TICKER: UMHI), SOLD 12,030 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90226c0532 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RICHARD H MOLKE, DIR. OF UNITED MOBILE HOMES INC. (TICKER: UMHI), SOLD 12,030 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,437.

-30- 328
#90226c0534 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ROY D GRAVENER, VP OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $45.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90226c0535 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ROY D GRAVENER, VP OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER:

USS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $45.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90226c0536 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ROY D GRAVENER, VP OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 8,200 SHARES AT $44.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90226c0537 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ROY D GRAVENER, VP OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 9,500 SHARES AT $44.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,758.

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#90226c0538 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, WILLIAM C MISSIMER JR, VP OF UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: UTX), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $61.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,850.

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FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, WILLIAM A WILSON, VP OF UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: UTX), SOLD 1,630 SHARES AT $60.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,640.

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#90226c0540 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, VENTURA COUNTY NATL BANCORP ESOP, TTEE OF VENTURA COUNTY NATL BANCORP. (TICKER: VCNB), BOUGHT 243 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

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#90226c0542 08/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JAMES E BERK, PRES. OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC. (TICKER: WHLS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE.

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#90226c0543 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JAMES E BERK, PRES. OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC. (TICKER: WHLS), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,467.

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#90226c0544 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, LEO C SAENGER JR, DIR. OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC. (TICKER: WHLS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,460.

-30- 320
#90226c0545 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID F WALLACE, CHAIRMAN OF WOLOHAN LUMBER CO. (TICKER: WLHN), SOLD 4,202 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,286.

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#90226c0546 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, DENNIS C FILL, CHAIRMAN OF WESTMARK INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WMRK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,559.

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#90226c0547 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, HARRY WOOLF, DIR. OF WESTMARK INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WMRK), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

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#90226c0548 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, DONALD G SODERQUIST, DIR. OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 953,154.

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#90226c0550 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF WOLF FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: WOFG), SOLD 2,900 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 442,343.

-30- 338
#90226c0551 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, JOHN W CREIGHTON JR, PRES. OF WEYERHAEUSER CO. (TICKER: WY), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,271.

-30- 317
#90226c0552 08/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHARLES E MARSHALL, DIR. OF ZENITH ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: ZE), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 325
#90226d3850 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HOMER, AK (AUG. 13) - An earthquake of moderate force shook the Kenai Peninsula south of Anchorage, Alaska Monday, but caused no casualties or major damage, authorities said.

The quake, measuring 5.6 on the Richter scale, struck between the towns of Homer and Ninilchik, an area 180 kilometers (110 miles) south of Anchorage and a popular destination for vacationers, the Alaska Earthquake

Information Center in Fairbanks, Alaska said.

"Everything was dancing -- it felt like the roof was coming in," said Fran Skaggs, an employee at Ulmer's Rexall drugstore in Homer. "There were quite a few things falling off the shelves."

But she said the store suffered no losses, only a "few piles of things here and there that need to be cleaned up."

Police in Homer and other towns of Kenai said there were no reports of injuries or damage.

-30- 1045

#90226d3960 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 14) - The Philippines is about to seal a "debt for nature" agreement worth 25 million dollars with Washington and wants to expand the program to 100 million dollars, an official said here Tuesday.

Environment and Natural Resources undersecretary Celso Roque said the agreement with the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) calls for erasing 25 million dollars of the country's foreign debt in exchange for projects to protect the environment.

Under this system, 25 million dollars' worth of debt notes would be purchased on the secondary market at a 50 per cent discount by USAID, which would then give the notes to a local non-government group to be redeemed at full value in Philippine pesos.

The proceeds would then be put in a trust fund to support environmental projects in this country.

Mr. Roque said Manila was trying to get the amount of the scheme increased to 100 million dollars as France and Japan had expressed an interest.

He said last year Manila sealed an agreement with the World Wildlife Fund,

under which two million dollars in foreign debt was converted for use in protecting two wildlife preserves in the western island of Palawan.

Mr. Roque said the Monetary Board, the country's monetary policy body, was still reviewing an expansion of the 25 million dollar swap to 100 million dollars, but he said the officials were sympathetic.

He said the scheme would have only a small effect on the country's 26.1 billion dollar foreign debt but would have a "huge" impact in maintaining the country's dwindling national parks, since the government only earmarks about 30 million pesos (1.2 million dollars) for their maintenance.

He also said the money would go almost entirely to non-government organizations (NGOs), which had guaranteed that none of the money would be used to pat foreign consultants.

-30- 2084

#90226d4170 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 14) - Japan is to give greater powers to the Office of the Trade and Investment Ombudsman, which mediates trade disputes between Japan and other countries and eases the import of foreign goods, officials here said Tuesday.

Three non-Japanese members could soon sit on a committee that studies the cases to be submitted to the body, founded in 1982 under the Economic Planning Agency, they said.

The Ombudsman's office will also be authorized to examine complaints by foreign firms on trade barriers, ensure that its decisions are carried out properly, and have closer contact with foreign chambers of commerce here, they said.

The new measures are part of an agreement reached in June between Japan and the United States after talks on structural barriers to bilateral trade.

The Ombudsman's office, which currently has a staff of four, was founded to look into disagreements over such matters as standards, procedures and inspections, to contact the Japanese government offices involved and find speedy solutions to problems.

It has handled 393 cases since its creation, and the committee deciding on the complaints it should handle is currently headed by former foreign minister Saburo Okita.

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#90226d4180 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 14) - Japan's domestic wholesale prices rose 0.4 percent from the previous month and 0.5 percent from a year earlier in July, the Bank of Japan said Tuesday.

The month-on-month increase rate was the sharpest since August last year, the central bank said, adding that the index in July stood at 94.9, against 100 for the base year of 1985.

The import price index stood at 63.2, down 2.5 percent from June but up 1.9 percent from the previous year, while the export price index in July was 85.2, down one percent from the preceding month but up 2.3 percent from a

year earlier.

The overall index, including domestic and foreign trade prices, stood at 90.4, down 0.1 percent from June but up 0.8 percent from July last year, the Bank of Japan said.

There is strong pressure to push up prices in Japan, central bank officials said, adding that they were worried about the tense Middle East situation.

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#90226d4280 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (AUG. 14) - The West German central Bundesbank on Tuesday withdrew a net 2.5 billion Deutsche marks (1.59 billion dollars) under a repurchase arrangement at rates ranging from 7.95 percent to 8.25 percent, a bank spokesman said.

The bank made available 19.8 billion marks for 36 and 64 days to replace expiring arrangements totalling 22.3 billion marks.

The banks had sought 37.3 billion marks for 36 days. The bank provided 11.9 billion marks at rates ranging from 7.95 percent to 8.10 percent. It accepted 20 percent of the bids at the lowest rate of 7.95 percent.

Banks had requested 18.7 billion marks at 64 days, and the bank provided 7.9 billion marks at eight percent to 8.25 percent.

Last week the bank provided 23.2 billion marks at rates ranging from 7.95 percent to 8.25 percent.

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#90226d4310 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (AUG. 14) - A U.S. serviceman killed accidentally Sunday in Saudi Arabia was "sleeping" when military truck backed into him and crushed him, the official Saudi Press Agency (SPA) reported.

The agency, citing a defense ministry spokesman on Monday, said that Sergeant John Campisi was "sleeping" behind the truck and was killed accidentally when the vehicle ran him over.

U.S. military sources also reported the death of Sgt. Campisi, 30, who became the first American victim of the Gulf crisis, but they said only that he was hit by a truck during military preparations.

The United States has deployed 50,000 troops in Saudi Arabia since Thursday and Pentagon sources said they could send up to 250,000 as part of a multinational force to protect the kingdom against any Iraqi attack.

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#90226d4340 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SANAA (AUG. 14) - The two ruling parties in Yemen have issued a joint call for an emergency Arab summit to support Iraqi proposals for a settlement in the Gulf, press reports said here Tuesday.

The General People's Congress and the Socialist Party, led by Yemeni President Ali Abdallah Saleh and Vice President Ali Salem Al-Beidh, urged the government here to endorse their appeal for an emergency summit.

They said in a joint statement that proposals by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for a settlement to address the Gulf crisis and the "issue of occupations in the Middle East" offer a "genuine global settlement to regional problems".

President Hussein on Sunday proposed a three-point plan calling for the "immediate and unconditional withdrawal" of Israeli troops from occupied Arab territories, a pullout of Syrian troops from Lebanon, "a withdrawal between Iran and Iraq and the laying down of arrangements for the case of Kuwait".

Mr. Hussein also urged the withdrawal of U.S troops from the Gulf and their replacement by an Arab force -- excluding Egypt -- chosen by the U.N. Security Council and approved by both Saudi Arabia and Iraq.

Yemen officially backed the initative on Monday, and the Iraqi plan has also received the endorsement of several Palestinian groups and figures in the Israeli-occupied territories.

But Saudi Arabia, Iran, the United States and Israel rejected the plan.

Yemen -- the only Arab member of the U.N. Security Council -- abstained from a council vote on August 6 to impose sanctions against Iraq and on Friday it voted against an Arab summit resolution to send Arab forces to the Gulf.

-30- 1859
#90226d4410 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) - Four members of the U.N. Security Council sharply criticized the United States in an informal session Monday for deciding to proceed unilaterally with a naval blockade of Iraq, the Washington Post reported Tuesday.

France, Canada, the Soviet Union, and Malaysia were the four members who questioned the announcement by Secretary of State James Baker that the

United States would interdict ships bound to and from ports in Iraq and Kuwait, the Post said, citing U.N. sources.

The United States contended that the action was permitted under Article 51 of the United Nations charter, which allows member states to engage in individual or collective self defense when faced with armed aggression. Kuwait's having requested the U.S. action was sufficient to make it legally justified, according to Washington.

But U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez said Monday a blockade could only be decided through a Security Council resolution.

"What we are seeing is that in agreement with the governments of Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, some decisions have been taken by the United States, France Britain and other countries, even Arab countries, but not in the context of the United Nations resolutions," he said.

The Security Council has passed three resolutions directed against Iraq -- 660, 661 and 662. They condemn Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, call for a total embargo of Iraq and occupied Kuwait, and reject Iraq's annexation of Kuwait.

However, diplomats here say none of the resolutions mention a "blockade", which under international law is considered an act of war.

Mr. Baker, in an attempt to sidestep the issue semantically, took pains Sunday to insist that the U.S. action was not a blockade but an "interdiction".

But in Paris Monday, sources said France had decided that any blockade of Iraq would need U.N. approval and questioned the U.S. position.

The sources said that France saw a clear distinction between the notion of "embargo" voted last week by the U.N. Security Council in response to the invasion, and a "blockade", which Paris considered to be an act of war requiring a fresh U.N. Security Council vote.

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#90226d4430 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (AUG. 14) - Swedish consumer prices rose by one percent in July taking the increase during the previous 12 months to 10.8 percent, and the increase during the last six months to eight percent, the central statistical office reported on Tuesday.

Food accounted for 0.4 percent of the July increase.

An increase in the rate of sales tax from 19 percent to 20 percent, which

took effect on July 1 as part of an austerity programme, had not yet worked through fully into the price index, the office said.

Part of the increase was due also to increased duties on tobacco and alcohol.

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#90226d4470 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (AUG. 14) - The Danish balance of payments deficit fell sharply in the second quarter to 168 million krone (28 million dollars) from 1,398 million krone (233 million dollars) in the first quarter, official figures showed on Tuesday.

The deficit in the second quarter of 1989 was 3,309 million krone (551 million dollars).

The deficit for the first half of 1990 was 1.6 billion krone (266 million dollars) down from 5.5 billion krone (916 million dollars) in the same period of last year.

The improvement was due mainly to a good performance by exports which earned a surplus of 17.1 billion krone (2.85 billion dollars) in the first half compared with a surplus of 9.8 billion krone (1.6 billion dollars) in the same period of 1989.

The biggest outgoing item on the balance of payments was debt servicing totalling about three billion krone (500 million dollars) per month.

Interest in the second quarter totalled 8.98 billion krone (1.496 billion dollars) which was about the same level as during the first quarter, and during the second quarter of 1989.

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#90226d4490 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (AUG. 14) - The Portuguese trade deficit grew by 26.1 percent in the first half to 569 billion escudos (3.9 billion dollars) compared with the same period of last year, official figures showed on Tuesday.

Imports rose by 24.1 percent to 1,743 billion escudos (about 11.9 billion dollars) and exports rose by 23.2 percent to 1,174 billion escudos (about eight billion dollars).

Countries in the European economic Community (EEC) accounted for 69.4 per cent of exports compared with 66.7 percent during the first half of 1989, and for 73.9 percent of imports compared with 73.1 percent.

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#90226d4620 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 14) - Britain will continue to produce substantial quantities of oil for 25 years and will be self-sufficient until nearly the end of the century, the Grampian regional authority in Scotland said in a report on Tuesday.

During the coming 20 years about 80 additional oilfields will be developed, the report said.

Exploration activity was running at the highest level for 10 years, with 38 drill holes under active investigation.

The exploration boom had increased the oil workforce by about 3,000 people to 52,500 last year in the Grampian area around the city of Aberdeen.

The number of people employed off-shore had risen by 10 per cent to about 26,000, and this level would be maintained until the year 2000.

Overall 51 fields were producing oil and seven were being developed in the British sector of the North Sea.

Britain produced about 1.8 million barrels per day of oil last year, and at current prices this represented about 1.5 per cent of gross domestic product.

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#90226d4710 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (AUG. 14) - Arab League Secretary General Chedli Klibi, quoted Tuesday by the Iraqi News Agency has welcomed Iraq's proposal for a package settlement to the Gulf crisis saying it exposed the West's double standards in the Middle East.

INA, in a dispatch monitored here, carried an interview conducted in Tunis with Mr. Klibi in which he said the proposals of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein were of "special importance in that they throw light on the contradictory attitude of the U.N. Security Council in dealing with the principles of international legitimacy."

"President Hussein's initiative exposed the attitude of the superpowers in discriminating between the cases of occupation (in the Middle East) and in adopting different standards according to their vital interests," INA quoted Mr. Klibi as saying.

The Arab League official said the attitude of the superpowers was "inconsistent with their declared principles".

According to INA, Mr. Klibi also questioned the "reasons that pushed the Security Council to implement its resolutions (sanctions) against Iraq while deliberately ignoring violations committed by the Zionist entity (Israel)" in Lebanon, the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip and in the Golan Heights.

The Iraqi president on Sunday outlined what he called a "comprehensive solution to the issues of occupation in the Middle East" and said his plan could solve regional problems, including the Gulf crisis he triggered with his August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Among other things, Mr. Hussein called for an "immediate and unconditional withdrawal" of Israeli troops from occupied Arab territories and the withdrawal of Syrian and Israeli forces from Lebanon. He also proposed that "arrangements be made for Kuwait" which he annexed a week after invading it.

The Iraqi proposals have been rejected by Israel, Saudi Arabia, Iran and the United States.

Washington has sent troops to Saudi Arabia after spearheading efforts at the United Nation to secure a resolution imposing trade and arms sanctions against Iraq.

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#90226d4810 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 14) - A Royal Navy frigate enforcing the embargo on Iraq checked out a Cypriot-registered tanker in the Gulf by radio on Tuesday, the Ministry of Defence announced.

The captain of the frigate Jupiter asked the ship's crew what it was carrying, the ministry spokesman said. He denied reports that the tanker had been intercepted, and described it as a routine operation for Britain's Gulf force.

An unconfirmed report from Britain's Press Association, citing sources in the Gulf, said the 113,258 tonne tanker Gloria was sailing empty after being repaired in Dubai.

Foreign Office Minister of State William Waldegrave said Monday that the British force in the Gulf, two frigates and a destroyer, would intercept any vessels suspected of sanctions busting.

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#90226d4860 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAMPALA (AUG. 14) - At least 26 people have died of starvation in Uganda's Karamoja region since the world Food Programme (WFP) suspended relief food deliveries there three weeks ago, the Minister for Rehabilitation and Social Relief Adoko Nekyon was quoted Tuesday as saying.

An official quoting the minister said famine was rife in Bokora, Namalu and Nabilatuk counties and people were streaming into Karamoja's main town of Moroto in search of food.

The official said it was believed some of the ambushes on WFP trucks were the work of food traders who resent the relief food because it interferes with their business.

A WFP official Mr. Apolo Lawoko meanwhile said food deliveries to Karamoja had resumed and a first consignment of 210 metric tons of maize had arrived there on July 27.

He said another consignment of 13 trucks carrying an estimated 300 tons of maize and beans left for Karamoja last week. However he said the quantities delivered were inadequate for an estimated 100,000 people facing starvation.

Mr. Lawoko said WFP could not deliver more food because trucks can only move to the area under military escort and in weekly convoys from the eastern town of Mbale which is 256 km (160 miles) from here.

The Karamoja region is devoted mainly to livestock rearing and suffers from recurring food shortages due to pastoral traditions which discourage cultivation.

WFP suspended delivery of food relief to the region after one of its drivers was killed in an ambush.

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#90226d5000 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (AUG. 14) - Two Iraqi vessels have been unable to unload their cargo in Dubai and are waiting offshore for official permission to enter port, a shipping source said here Tuesday.

Al-Abid and Al-Baya were outside the Djebel Ali port some 30 kilometers (18 miles) from Dubai, the source said.

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#90226d5470 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (AUG. 14) - Italian warships are to patrol the Western Mediterranean following the dispatch of the American fleet to the Gulf, Foreign Minister

Gianni De Michelis announced Tuesday.

Italian ships may also be sent to the Gulf, but that will depend on the outcome of a meeting of the Western European Union (WEU) military alliance next week, he said.

Tuesday's cabinet meeting denounced Iraq's behaviour as "intolerable" and said Italy would participate in any U.N. initiatives.

The emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, has sent an appeal for support to President Francesco Cossiga, Mr. De Michelis said.

The message was delivered Monday night via Kuwait's representative at the United Nations.

The cabinet meeting decided to help defend any Middle East countries who requested assistance.

The Italian government is empowered to send troops to help any of Rome's NATO allies, such as Turkey, but must obtain parliament's approval before becoming involved militarily anywhere else.

The nine-nation WEU, the only exclusively West European defence organization, meets in Paris next Tuesday.

The Italian parliament is scheduled to meet in the middle of next week to discuss the cabinet decisions.

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#90226d5550 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 14) - Nigeria has contributed 900 troops to the Economic Community of West African States monitoring group (Ecomog), official national television (NTA) reported here late Monday.

The report, sent to Lagos by a correspondent of the NTA accompanying the Nigerian troops is the first official indication of the strength of the Nigerian contigent to Liberia.

Officials in the Nigerian capital have kept the nation's participation and operation in the Ecomog a guarded secret, observers noted.

The airlift of the troops to Freetown by three Hercules C-130 and a DC-10 which started last Saturday, ended here Monday, sources at the airport said.

The Nigerian troops are expected to begin moving into Liberia next Tuesday with troops from Ghana, Sierra Leone, the Gambia and Guinea.

Togo has also decided to sent some troops down to Liberia to join the Ecomog.

The Nigerian press Tuesday here gave prominence to the declaration of President Samuel Doe's close aide, Mr. Selly Thompson, who said that the embattled President would no longer resign in October, one year ahead of his term in office, because, according to him, that might lead to further bloodshed and political chaos.

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#90226d5620 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 14) - At least 12 children died when a school building collapsed Tuesday near the south-east Indian port of Visakhapatnam, Uni news agency said.

Another 35 children were injured by the falling masonry, the agency said. No further details were immediately known.

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#90226d5630 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 14) - Hundreds of Egyptians fleeing Iraqi-annexed Kuwait arrive back home each day, telling of horrors and nightmares they went through.

''We have been living in hell for the past couple of weeks,'' said the wife of an Egyptian who worked in the Kuwait oil industry.

A young female student, among the first batch of Egyptians who managed to escape from Kuwait, said: ''We left my father behind and escaped with a Saudi friend of his.''

''My mother disguised us in Saudi cloaks and veils and my brother wore a dish-dash (traditional white garb worn by Arab men in the Gulf),'' she added.

Reports reaching here said Iraqi troops were plundering the rich emirate, and Indian and Filipino house maids working there were raped.

The Cairo newspaper Al-Akhbar meanhwile began publishing long lists with names of Egyptians still remaining in Kuwait, in a move to allay mounting concern for them.

Egyptians, who have been working in Kuwait, arrive at an average daily rate of 1,500, putting an additional burden on the already battered Egyptian economy.

Egyptians make up the lion's share of foreign workers in the Gulf. About 2 million Egyptian workers are still believed to be in Iraq. Iraq's economy, throttled by the eight-year Gulf war against Iran, is still badly in need of foreign labour.

An estimated 150,000 more Egyptian workers are in the tiny oil-rich emirate, which was invaded by Iraqi troops on August 2 and annexed six days later.

Like several thousand Americans and Westerners there, they are stranded. Although Washington has avoided terming them hostages, they are refused permission to leave.

In Paris, Iraqi Ambassador to France Abdul Razzak al-Hashimi, in a veiled threat, said the fate of the foreigners was ''tied to the positions of their respective country's governments''.

''We wish that the nations that are concerned about the fate of their citizens take action to appease the situation and to prevent an explosion '' al-Hashimi warned.

At least 3,000 foreigners have left Iraq via Jordan, according to official figures. An unknown number of others - probably tens of thousands - held as possible bargaining chips hope to follow suit.

China meanwhile became the latest country to announce that it had decided to pull its citizens out of Kuwait.

Eyewitnesses said the Iraqis had prevented thousands of Egyptians from fleeing to Saudi Arabia where U.S. troops are deployed to prevent the threat of an Iraqi attack.

Cairo has set up ferry services to ship Egyptian refugees from the Jordanian Red Sea port of Akaba home to the town of Nuwaiba.

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#90226d5640 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (AUG. 14) - A poll to be published Wednesday by Sydney's Daily Telegraph indicates Australians support by almost two to one the decision to send Royal Australian Navy warships to the Gulf.

The first opinion poll by a major Australian newspaper was completed as the Cabinet endorsed the decision by Prime Minister Bob Hawke to order ships to the Gulf in response to a request by U.S. President George Bush.

The poll also showed, however, that many of thosep polled had qualms about

the long-term outcome of committing forces to the Gulf conflict.

It was taken the day after the guided missile frigates HMAS Adelaide and HMAS Darwin were given a send-off from a Sydney dockyard by Mr. Hawke.

By late afternoon the poll showed 1,379 people in favour of the decision and 743 against, contrasting with a poll in the Arab newspaper El Telegraph indicating 82 per cent of the migrant Arab community opposed the decision.

-30- 1125

#90226d5650 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 14) - Three Belgian warships will head for the Mediterranean on Friday pending a decision to join the international naval operation in the Gulf, the Belgian armed forces headquarters said Tuesday.

The decision to send the flotilla was made late Monday by the Belgian government. But it postponed until next Tuesday any decision to deploy the ships in the Gulf.

The three ships, with a total crew of 203, comprise a command and support ship, the Zinnia, which is listed as a 23-year-old 2,685-tonne vessel equipped with 40-mm guns and a helicopter, and two minehunters, the Iris and the Myosotis.

The commander was named in the headquarters' communique as Captain Georges van Dijcke.

Defence and foreign ministers of the nine-nation Western European Union (WEU) meet in Paris next Tuesday.

They will discuss a Belgian request for a coordinated WEU response to the Iraq-Kuwait crisis in order to provide good protection for ships from smaller western countries.

Among the other WEU members, Britain and France already have ships in the Gulf, and the Netherlands has promised to send two frigates. The Italian foreign ministry on Tuesday said several Italian ships would be sent to the eastern Mediterranean in order to cover areas that have been left by U.S. units now dispatched to the Gulf.

Any decision to send Italian ships to the Gulf would flow from the WEU meeting, the ministry said.

The Belgian flotilla will leave the North Sea port of Zeebrugge around 10:00 a.m. (0800 GMT) Friday, military headquarters said. They are scheduled to dock 16 days later at the Greek island of Crete, in the eastern Mediterranean, after stopovers at Lisbon and Sardinia, reliable

sources said.

Belgium sent a similar anti-mine force to the Gulf under WEU auspices, from November 1987 to November 1988.

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#90226d5720 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (AUG. 14) - An Iraqi opposition leader Tuesday said he could mobilize 100,000 fighters to overthrow Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and counter Baghdad's military movements in the Gulf.

Hojatoleslam Mohammad Baqr Hakim, head of the Supreme Assembly of the Islamic Revolution of Iraq (SAIRI), denounced the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and said his group had been in contact with the Syrian and Kuwaiti governments on the next moves to take.

"The Iraqi regime has no respect for international regulations and principles and, in a bid to rid itself of an internal economic, political and military crisis, it invaded ... neighboring rich Kuwait," he said in remarks carried by the official Iranian news agency IRNA.

He stressed that the crisis in Gulf could only be resolved by the removal of President Hussein, which he said was his organization's priority.

"In an initial stage the SAIRI can mobilize 50,000 fighters within the next few days and double it in the later stage using capabilities of Iraqis residing abroad," Hojatoleslam Hakim declared.

But he insisted that foreign forces withdraw from the Gulf and called for the consolidation of relations among friendly countries of the region.

"The presence of foreign forces is not in the interest of the people and countries of the region," he stated.

"Had the Arab regimes respected the will of their people ... Saddam Hussein would not have dared to attack Kuwait."

The United States has committed some 50,000 air and ground forces to defend Saudi Arabia against a possible attack from Iraq while several Western nations have stepped up their air and naval presence in the Gulf.

Hojatoleslam Hakim also disputed claims by President Hussein that he was struggling to protect Islam from foreign aggression.

"The Iraqi regime does not believe in Islam," he charged.

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#90226d5740 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DAMASCUS (AUG. 14) - Syrian President Hafez al-Assad had talks here Tuesday with U.S. presidential envoy John Kelly for the second time in less than a week, a government spokesman said.

It was not immediately known what topics were discussed but the visit comes as Washington is seeking cooperation to enforce strict sanctions against Iraq for its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Kelly, assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern and South Asian affairs, was here last Thursday for talks with Syrian officials on the Gulf crisis.

Shortly before meeting the Syrian president, Mr. Kelly had a meeting with Foreign Minister Farouk al-Shara.

After Mr. Kelly's earlier mission to Syria, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said the United States was exploring the possibility of "coordinating" efforts between Washington and Damascus on sanctions against Iraq.

On Sunday President George Bush said he had a "good talk" with Mr. Assad, with both leaders underlining their government's intentions to implement sanctions against Baghdad.

Mr. Kelly has also been to Saudi Arabia and Egypt.

Syria has been Iraq's principal Arab adversary over the years, notably during the Gulf war when Damascus backed Iran.

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#90226d5750 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (AUG. 14) - Egypt cannot prevent ships heading for Iraq from using the Suez Canal, as Cairo is bound by terms of an 1888 treaty regulating freedom of navigation there, a reliable source at the state-run Canal agency said.

Iraq is not at war with Egypt and, therefore, under terms of the 1888 Treaty of Constantinople Cairo cannot stop Iraq-bound ships from passing through the Canal.

The source said that instead of asking Egypt to violate the treaty, interested parties should prevent Iraq-bound ships from leaving for the Gulf from their ports of origin.

An unnamed U.S. official quoted Monday by the Washington Post newspaper

said that the administration of U.S President George Bush was hoping that Egypt would "close the Suez Canal to all ships bound for Iraq or whose cargo is bound for Iraq via the Jordanian port of Aqaba."

"Closing the canal is like slitting a major vein," he added.

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#90226d5780 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 14) - Family members of detained top African National Congress (ANC) official Mac Maharaj, began a protest sit-in on Tuesday at police headquarters here.

The 20 family members, of eight ANC and SACP members detained last month following police allegations that the SACP was planning a coup under cover of exploratory talks with the white-minority government, told reporters they would stay at C.R. Swart Square until "something is done about the detainees".

In a fax to Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok, the group demanded that they receive immediate access to the detainees and claimed that security police were torturing the eight detainees who were being held under South Africa's Internal Security Act (ISA).

The ISA allows police to hold suspects for interrogation indefinitely, without access to family or lawyers. The ANC has repeatedly called for its abolition.

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#90226d5880 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 14) - A former KGB officer who was stripped of his military rank, decorations and pension is attempting to sue Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov and security services boss Vladimir Kryuchkov, the government newspaper Izvestia reported here Tuesday.

Former Major-General Oleg Kalugin, 56, who was dismissed from the security services several months ago following disagreements with his superiors, lost his pension rights after publicly alleging that some KGB operations at home continued to be unlawful, including surveillance of citizens.

Izvestia said the Moscow central court had received a letter from Mr. Kalugin asking that action be taken against Mr. Gorbachev for ordering his medals confiscated, against Mr. Ryzhkov for stripping him of his rank and against Mr. Kryuchkov for withholding his pension.

The president of the tribunal, Zoya Kornyeva, told Izvestia the complaints

were being investigated, but suggested it would be difficult for Mr. Kalugin to sue individuals when seeking redress from the government.

Mr. Kalugin is currently campaigning in Krasnodar, southern Russia, for a parliamentary seat left vacant by Ivan Poloskov, the newly-elected Russian communist party boss.

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#90226d6020 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUESSELDORF (AUG. 14) - The machinery, car components and weaponry group Rheinmetall said Tuesday it made pre-tax profits of 117.4 million Deutschmarks (74.4 million dollars) in the first half of 1990, up on the 104.4 million marks in the same period last year.

The West German company said its world group turnover in the first half increased by about 12 percent to 1.3 billion marks.

Rheinmetall said its turnover was mainly accounted for by the car technology unit Pierburg (34.5 percent), the weaponry firm Rheinmetall (30.6 percent), and by the machinery company Jagenberg (29.5 percent).

Orders in the first half of 1990 reached 1.6 billion marks, up 13.6 percent over the same period last year.

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#90226d6040 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 14) - The authorities in Pakistan have arrested more than 100 members of deposed prime minister Benazir Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party and are holding them without charge, her mother and former deputy prime minister Begum Nusrat Bhutto said here Tuesday.

"Up to now they have not brought any charges, just arrested them. It's really witch-hunting," Mrs. Bhutto said, adding that the caretaker government was preparing to set up special tribunals to try PPP members.

Speaking in an interview with Agence France-Presse, Mrs. Bhutto, 61, denied reports that her daughter Benazir was under house arrest at her home in Karachi and said reports that the caretaker government under Prime Minister Mustafa Jatoi had offered her daughter a "package deal" to leave Pakistan were false.

"I spoke to her last night and she was surprised" at the reports. "She asked me 'What offer?'" Mrs. Bhutto said, adding that even if the new authorities in Islamabad had made an offer to allow Benazir Bhutto and her family to leave the country in exchange for staying out of politics it would not be accepted.

Dressed in an orange floral sari and fanning herself as she spoke, Mrs. Bhutto said the PPP still had widespread grassroots support throughout the country and would return to power with "an even bigger majority" in the next general elections.

But she said the new government would concoct an excuse for postponing the elections, due in October, and would probably not hold them for between a year and 18 months from then.

Referring to charges of nepotism and corruption in Benazir Bhutto's government which were used by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan to justify sacking the former administration, Mrs. Bhutto said: "By nepotism they mean me."

"But I am an elected member of the parliament, I am a politician in my own right and I would have become a minister myself," she said.

She did not deny accusations of corruption within her daughter's administration but said if it did occur it should have been dealt with through the legal process.

"There may have been corruption. I don't say there wasn't any corruption among the ministers. But for the past 40 years there has been corruption and Pakistan is not one of those countries that didn't know what corruption meant."

"If the ministers took some commissions they must have done wrong" and should have been exposed and tried legally," she said.

Mrs. Bhutto, sitting in the kitchen of a flat in London's exclusive Knightsbridge district and flanked by the former government's minister for petroleum and natural resources Jehangar Bader, said she was worried about the return of a military dictatorship in Pakistan.

"If the world community, if the superpowers, the democratic countries will discourage dictatorship in this country then they will not be bold enough to bring about dictatorship," she said.

"I would like to ask all democratic-loving countries to try and dissuade them from bringing martial law and dictatorship and to let democracy take root in our country."

The response of the superpowers to her daughter's unceremonious ousting on August 6 had so far not been adequate, she said, adding that opponents of Benazir Bhutto's government had been "very clever" to time her dismissal with the crisis in the Gulf which had served to divert world attention.

Mrs. Bhutto denied assertions that her daughter had been a "good little girl" and had not exercised strong enough control over the military during her 20-month government and said her firm hand with the military regarding the Kashmir dispute with India had precipitated her ousting.

Benazir Bhutto was dismissed "because they, the military, didn't want peaceful negotiations, a peaceful solution of Kashmir affairs, and she wanted a peaceful solution," Mrs. Bhutto said.

Another key factor in the dissolution of the Bhutto government had been its declared intention to combat the heroin trade in Pakistan and to arrest its kingpins "no matter how senior."

Heroin lords in Pakistan "spent millions and billions of rupees to destabilize our government," Mrs. Bhutto said, adding that they looked on the expenditure as "an investment."

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#90226d6060 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AIGUILLON, FRANCE (AUG. 14) - A violent hailstorm hit thousands of hectares (acres) of farmland, ripped off rooftops and dented cars on Monday night in the Aiguillon region of southwest France, emergency services said.

The hailstorm, which rescue workers called a "mini tornado", was extremely localised and lasted only a half hour.

Two people were slightly injured when struck by hailstones the size of tennis balls.

Greenhouses were badly damaged, and fields, vineyards and orchards devastated. Many roof tiles were smashed in the town of Aiguillon and nearby villages Damazan, Port-Sainte-Marie and Saint-Leger.

Dozens of cars were also badly damaged by hailstones, which broke windshields and dented bodywork.

Rescue workers estimated that 400 houses sustained major roof damage in Damazan alone.

A farmers' union said near 30,000 hectares (74,000 acres) of cereal crops, horticultural land and fruit orchards were damaged by the hail.

Vineyards in Buzet were also severely hit. The local cooperative estimated that 20 per cent of the harvest had been lost.

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#90226d6080 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAD REICHENHALL, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 14) - Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy Tuesday urged West Germany to do everything possible to prevent ''disastrous arms shipments'' to Iraq.

Israel felt threatened by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's warning that he would ''burn half of Israel with chemical weapons'', Levy told reporters after talks with West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher in this Bavarian spa town.

Genscher urged West German industry to distance itself from firms involved in illegal arms exports in defiance of national laws banning sales of weapons to international hotbeds or countries at war. He said West Germany's good name and its moral position were at stake.

Commenting on the Gulf crisis, which was sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion and following annexation of Kuwait, Levy said if Baghdad carried out its threat Israel would react, leaving Saddam no time to repent his threats.

Levy went on to visit the former Nazi death camp in Dachau, near Munich, capital of the southern state of Bavaria. Genscher continued a vacation here.

In a related development, Britain's Jane's Defence Weekly said Iraq had tried to obtain chemicals from Britain to counter the effects of poison gas just before it invaded tiny Kuwait.

Baghdad had in vain attempted to obtain so-called nerve agent preparation sets from several British firms, it added.

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#90226d6180 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (AUG. 14) - The rebel Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA) forces stormed and overran a government garrison at Shimago in Sobat region in central Sudan early Friday, the rebel radio reported in a broadcast monitored here on Tuesday.

According to the radio, the government soldiers were completely routed and remnants fled to the nearby major garrison town of Renk.

In other actions around Renk, the radio said, SPLA forces had planted land mines, which had been detonated by government platoons, resulting loss of life and damage to military materiel.

The new development came only 24 hours after the SPLA radio claimed that its guerrillas had in the last week attacked and dispersed two government

military convoys near the southern regional capital, Juba, inflicting heavy casualties.

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#90226d6230 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 14) - The Japanese Government is considering providing financial support to Middle East countries affected by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, a press report said Tuesday.

The finance ministry and the international trade and industry ministry are studying concrete measures for such help at the request of Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, Jiji Press said.

Japan's war-renouncing constitution promulgated after World War II prohibits the country from sending troops overseas.

Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Turkey will be among countries expected to receive special Japanese economic assistance in the wake of the Gulf crisis, the report said.

Mr. Kaifu decided Monday to postpone his visit to Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Jordan and Egypt scheduled for this month.

He was asked by U.S. President George Bush by telephone Tuesday to help Arab countries affected by the Iraqi military action, officials said.

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#90226d6250 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 14) - South African President Frederik de Klerk, on a one-day visit to Madagascar, signed an economic and commercial cooperation agreement with his Madagascan counterpart Didier Ratsiraka Tuesday, the South African news agency SAPA said.

The agreement was believed, among other things, to give the go-ahead for South African Airways to start direct flights from Johannesburg to the Madagascan capital Antananarivo from the beginning of next month.

Mr. De Klerk is heading a delegation of senior officials including Foreign Minister Pik Botha at the invitation of Mr. Ratsiraka, who said in April he wanted to establish trade links with South Africa severed in the mid-1970s in protest at apartheid.

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#90226d6360 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 14) - French trade house Sucres et Denrees (SucDen) is

reported to have sold 100,000 tons of raw sugar to China, traders said here Tuesday.

The sugar is due to be delivered between December 1990 and March 1991, they added.

This would bring total purchases by China over the last month to 300,000 tons.

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#90226d6370 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) - The U.S. economy, already sluggish and slowing down, stands to be hurt even further by the higher oil prices resulting from the Gulf crisis, a survey of economists by the Wall Street Journal found Tuesday.

The newspaper said its survey of 34 leading economists found them expecting either no, or only slight growth for the U.S. economy in the second half of 1990.

At the same time, both inflation and unemployment rates will likely rise, the newspaper reported the economists as predicting.

Some of the more pessimistic predictions were for the U.S. economy actually to slide into a recession. Already, many regions and economic sectors in the U.S. are on road to recession.

On average, the economists foresaw a 0.3 per cent growth for the gross national product in the second half of this year, followed by a one per cent rise in the Gnp in the first half of 1991, the Wall Street Journal survey found.

By comparison, the U.S. Gnp increased by 1.2 per cent in the second quarter of this year.

The economists foresaw unemployment rising to 6.1 per cent by next May, compared to the current 5.5 per cent rate.

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#90226d6470 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 14) - The Soviet Government newspaper Izvestia on Tuesday suggested Moscow should renounce its former friendship with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, who it called "a ferocious dictactor".

Cooperation with the United States in the Gulf crisis showed Moscow could gain "strategic profit" from its dealings with Washington "which will by

far compensate for the loss of friendship with Saddam Hussein", Izvestia said in a commentary.

However, the paper stressed that Moscow and Washington could not always share the same policies, speaking of the United States' dispatch of troops to Saudi Arabia which was partly motivated by Washington's own regional interests in the Gulf.

Moscow would lose much from enforcing its arms embargo on Iraq, but when "the basis of such a relationship rested on unscrupulous pragmatism, in time, one had to expect deplorable political and practical results," Izvestia said.

Moscow, in the past, had too often helped prop up dictatorships and by providing aid "contributed to the construction abroad, as was the case at home, of anti-democratic and autoritarian systems," Izvestia added.

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#90226d6480 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (AUG. 14) - Brazil indicated Tuesday that it could sell food to Iraq despite the United Nations-ordered embargo on international commerce with Baghdad.

Foreign Minister Francisco Rezek, speaking on Brazilian radio, said approval of possible food shipments hinged on official confirmation from Iraq that it faced a ''nutrition emergency''.

Apparently moving to defuse any accusations that shipments would violate the international trade embargo endorsed last week by the U.N. Security Council, Rezek maintained that the sanctions did not apply to ''humanitarian'' supplies such as food and medications.

Rezek also denied any link between the shipments and the fate of the roughly 400 Brazilian citizens still in Iraq.

The minister's statement came as officials in the port of Santos awaited word whether to allow a freighter loaded with food supplies for Iraq to leave for the Middle East.

Trade between Brazil and Iraq last year totalled some 1.8 billion dollars, with food and military supplies accounting for the bulk. Government officials in Brasilia have described the military hardware sold to Iraq as purely ''defensive''.

Purchases of Iraqi oil by Brazil stood at a daily 160,000 barrels, or 30 per- cent of total crude oil imports, before the U.N. embargo.

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#90226d6490 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) - Attorney General Dick Thornburgh and his Soviet counterpart, Veniamin Yakovlev, were holding talks here this week on their countries' respective judicial systems, the Justice Department said.

Mr. Yakovlev said that the Soviets especially wanted to understand "how legal actions affect economic functions."

The week-long meetings began Monday.

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#90226d6620 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 14) - Foreign Minister Abu Hassan Omar said Tuesday Malaysia will close its embassy in Kuwait only after evacuating all its citizens from the Gulf state annexed by Iraq.

''We will be doing so for safety reasons, not for anything else,'' Abu Hassan told reporters.

Abu Hassan did not set a date for closing the embassy, but said the Malaysian ambassador would not leave Kuwait City until all Malaysians were evacuated.

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#90226d6660 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) - Libyan leader Moamer Gaddafi in an interview broadcast here Tuesday defended the use of poison gas to fight off a military attack but dismissed the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait 12 days ago as ''illegal''.

Gaddafi made his remarks in an interview with U.S. Cable News Network (Cnn) during his visit to Alexandria, Egypt, Sunday.

Asked whether he advocated the use of chemical arms in case of an attack,

Gaddafi said: ''You have the right to use any means to defeat that enemy, to destroy this enemy ...''

Gaddafi voiced fears that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein might take foreigners, stranded in Kuwait and Iraq, hostage.

Asked about the chances that foreigners there might be taken hostages, Gaddafi said there was ''a strong possibility, unfortunately ...'' that this could happen.

U.S. troops were rightfully in Saudi Arabia, he conceded. But from an Arab point of view the U.S. military presence there was unacceptable.

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#90226d6670 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (AUG. 14) - Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk Sharaa Tuesday conferred here with U.S. under-secretary of state for Middle East affair John Kelly over the Gulf crisis.

The Syrian News Agency Sana reported that the two ''exchanged views over the current situation in the region and the latest developments of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait''.

''We have the opportunity with the Syrian foreign minister to reveal the situation in the region and in the Gulf, to talk about the importance of the U.N. Security Council's resolutions and to consult on bilateral relations,'' Kelly said in a statement.

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#90226d6680 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAMMU, INDIA (AUG. 14) - Thirteen more people died in Kashmir where troops Tuesday enforced a curfew to prevent Moslem secessionists from sabotaging India's independence day, officials said.

Gunbattles between Indian troop and militants flared across the valley as Moslem secessionists hoisted Islamabad's flag on several government buildings to mark Pakistan's independence day Tuesday, a day before India's, officials said.

Three paramilitary troops and an equal number of militants died in exchanges of fire in the towns of Pulwama, Baramulla and Srinagar, Kashmir's summer capital, the officials said.

Four troops and four civilians were injured in seven separate gunbattles in the strife-torn city Tuesday, officials said, where militants exploded bombs and hoisted the Pakistani flag on 23 complexes.

Moslem militants also killed four unidentified civilians in the Moslem-majority Kashmir Valley, said a state government spokesman in Jammu, this northern state's Hindu-dominated winter capital.

Three more deaths occured elsewhere in overnight violence, but details of the killings were not immediately available.

Srinagar and all towns in the Kashmir valley were under strict curfew

enforced Tuesday by army soldiers and para-military troops, crippling normal life.

Authorities sounded a top security alert and imposed the curfew following intelligence reports that Moslem groups were planning to sabotage India's annual independence day celebrations Wednesday.

India and Pakistan, which have fought two wars over Kashmir, gained independence from Britain in 1947 and India's independence day falls on August 15, with Pakistan's a day earlier.

Pakistan controls one third of Kashmir and disputes New Delhi's control of the remainder.

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#90226d6700 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 14) - France is to send tens of thousands of gas masks to Saudi Arabia following a request from Riyadh, industry sources said here Tuesday.

Officials at a defence ministry agency, the Delegation Generale de l'Armement (DGA), confirmed that France had begun shipping certain equipment to the Gulf in response to requests from the region.

The DGA would not give details, but said that the requests were urgently being considered by an ad hoc French export commission.

The confirmation came after a medium-range Boeing 727 loaded up with gas masks left for Qatar on Monday, and a larger consignment of masks was to be sent on an Airbus to the same destination on Tuesday.

The gas masks for Saudi Arabia would be supplied by the French military supply company GIAT Industries, the industry sources said.

Part of the delivery from GIAT would come from stocks earmarked for the French army, the sources said.

French President Francois Mitterrand said last Thursday that Saudi Arabia had asked for some military equipment, and that he would respond positively if Arab nations failed to find an "Arab solution" to the Gulf crisis stemming from Iraq's annexation of Kuwait.

The "ANP 49 modified 56" masks being sent to the Gulf were soon to go out of production, and to be replaced by an updated model, according to the industry sources.

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#90226d6710 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HINESVILLE, GA (AUG. 14) - The U.S. military buildup in the Gulf has proven a windfall for K-Mart, a large chain variety store near the Fort Stewart Military Base, which is sending a large contingent of troops to the Middle East.

Store manager Wesley Bennefield said one order telephoned in by the base's quartermaster was as follows:

-- 5,550 bottles of skin lotion.

-- 2,400 cans of insect repellent.

-- 5,550 tubes of lip balm.

-- 5,550 cans of foot powder.

-- 5,550 bottles of suntan lotion.

Mr. Bennefield said he was delighted with the order, but added that the Army was getting a big discount and that the store would be making little if any profit.

"You might say we're waving the flag," he said. "I'm a patrotic guy."

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#90226d6740 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (AUG. 14) - Under a presidential decree published in Pakistan Tuesday, murderers can try to gain freedom by paying blood money.

It also bars the president and provincial governors from granting a reprieve to a convicted murderer without the consent of the family of the victim.

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan issued the decree after a religious court declared the relevant provisions in the country's penal code unislamic.

Legal circles said the amended law would allow out-of-court settlement of cases of murder and murderous attacks at the trial stage.

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#90226d6760 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BOGOTA (AUG. 14) - Communist rebel leader Jacobo Arenas, second in command of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FAR), died four days ago of heart disease, Caracol radio said Tuesday.

FARC officials said Mr. Arenas died in Casa Verde, a FARC mountain camp 350 kilometers southeast of here, the radio said.

The Colombian Communist Party said it had been informed by FARC of Mr. Arenas' death.

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#90226d6890 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 14) - A second contingent of Egyptian troops will leave here later Tuesday for Saudi Arabia to join an estimated 3,000 soldiers who arrived there on Saturday, informed sources said here.

But they would provide no details on the number of troops, nor would they disclose the nature of their assignment.

Egyptian forces are being deployed in Saudi Arabia in line with an Arab League decision to shore up Saudi defenses against a possible Iraqi attack from Kuwait, which Baghdad invaded and annexed earlier this month.

Several hundred Egyptians, shouting anti-Iraqi slogans, gathered earlier Tuesday outside the Saudi embassy here, offering to volunteer for the Saudi armed forces, correspondents said.

Embassy sources said as many as 9,000 Egyptians had signed up to fight for Saudi Arabia against any attack by Iraq, with nearly 3,000 enrolling daily since Saturday.

Hundreds of Egyptian youths were also offering their services at the embassy of the United Arab Emirates, where a spokesman said names of all candidates were taken down.

But the spokesman stressed that the embassy had received no official instructions to enroll any Egyptian in the UAE armed forces.

According to analysts most of the volunteers were young Egyptians who had done their military service and are currently unemployed.

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#90226d6980 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 14) - Pakistan has decided to send ''a reasonable number of troops'' to Saudi Arabia only to protect the Kaaba in Mecca and the Prophet Mohammad's tomb in Medina, caretaker Prime Minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi said Tuesday.

''We have no aggressive designs and our contingent will not be a military

threat to any country,'' he said in a policy speech marking Pakistan's 43th independence anniversary.

Jatoi did not say when the contingent, requested by Saudi King Fahd, would leave for Saudi Arabia.

But he gave an assurance that the dispatch of troops would not affect Pakistan's own defence needs in the face of a concentration of Indian troops on its eastern border and civil war in Afghanistan.

Pakistan's decision ''in principle'' to join Arab troops being assembled in Saudi Arabia sparked a controversy immediately after it was announced Monday.

Columnist Ghani Erabie however wrote in the ''Daily Nation'' that Riyadh had financed some of Pakistan's military purchases and ''unless we go to the aid of our friends when they need us, we should not expect them to come to our rescue in our moment of need''.

Pakistan kept two divisions of its crack troops in Saudi Arabia from 1983 to 1987 when Riyadh terminated the agreement on Islamabad's refusal to recall Shiite officers in the troops.

Pakistan is reported still to have nearly 5,000 non-combatant, mostly technical military personnel under contract in Saudi Arabia.

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#90226d7010 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ZURICH (AUG. 14) - The airline Swissair said Tuesday it would be raising its fares by five percent from September because of rising fuel prices.

The current rise in oil prices due to the Gulf crisis will mean extra costs for Swissair of an estimated 10 to 20 million Swiss francs (7.6 to 15.2 million dollars) between now and the end of the year.

Swissair is planning to spread the overall five per cent increase unevenly over its fare scale, with one possibility under consideration a steeper rise in economy class than in first class, which would see first class fares rise only one per cent.

The airline said it hoped to work out with other airlines a price policy valid until the end of the year during a meeting of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) in Geneva on August 28.

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#90226d7030 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 14) - Nuclear Electric, one of two British state-owned nuclear power companies excluded from next year's electricity privatisation, said Tuesday made a loss of 419 million pounds (788 million dollars) in the year to the end of March.

Operating profit excluding exceptional items and financial charges came to 225 million pounds (424 million dollars).

The difference was largely due to liabilities linked to the division of the nationalised electricity generating industry in March as a prelude to the privatisation of all but the nuclear sector early in 1991.

The industry was divided into 19 companies, all to be privatised except the two nuclear operators Nuclear Electric and Scottish Nuclear.

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#90226d7040 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (AUG. 14) - George Foreman, the 42-year-old former world heavyweight champion, will fight Walter Massoroni of Italy in a 12-round non-title fight here in November.

Samuel Vance, vice-president of a newly-formed American sports promotion company, announced here on Tuesday that they had signed an agreement in principle with Foreman and that a final contract "will be signed as soon as we get back to the United States".

The fight was orignally scheduled for October 20 but has been moved to a date in November to be fixed when the final contract is signed either on Friday or early next week.

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#90226d7060 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 14) - The number of homes in Britain repossessed for non-payment of mortgages doubled in the first six months of this year over the second half of 1989, the Council of Mortgage Lenders said Tuesday.

The Council, which groups Britain's leading building (home loan) societies, said that 14,390 houses and flats were repossesed in the first half of this year, against 7,390 in the second half of 1989 and more than the 13,740 for the whole of last year.

Mortgage interest rates stood at 15 per cent in the first half of the uear, against 9.5 per cent in 1988, as a result of the government's high interest rate policy to combat inflation.

At the same time, the housing market has slumped, leaving many home buyers

who cannot afford the higher rates unable to escape the problem by selling their homes to repay their mortgages.

The number of home buyers in arrears with their mortgage payments has also reached unprecedented levels, with 76,280 borrowers between six months and a year behind with payments as of June 30, the Council said.

The report stressed however that the number of repossessions represented only a tiny percentage of the country's some eight million mortgages.

"We have to watch very closely this market," a spokesman for Abbey National, Britain's second largest mortgage lender behind Halifax, said Tuesday.

But "the overall mortgage market is still fairly busy" even if it is not at the same level as two years ago, he added.

Mortgage lenders have tried to limit the number of repossessions by organising special advisory services and plans to spread repayments.

The National Westminster Bank, one of the country's main deposit taking banks, on Monday launched a special plan for debtors with repayment problems.

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#90226d7080 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (AUG. 14) - Persons convicted of looting and theft within the ''adminstrative'' border of Iraq, including annexed Kuwait, will be sentenced to death, the Revolutionary Command Council said Tuesday.

The resolution, signed by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, followed reports from Kuwait that Iraqi soldiers had been stealing jewellery, cars, and other items from Kuwaiti homes and shops.

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#90226d7090 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LOCTUDY, France (AUG. 14) - A 14-year-old boy from the Paris suburbs "borrowed" his parents' car and drove 600 kilometres (375 miles) alone in search of his holiday sweetheart in western Britanny, police said here Tuesday.

The boy, who met the young girl at a holiday camp here in Britanny, managed to fill the Renault-9 with petrol without attracting attention.

But after running out of petrol a second time, he continued his journey by hitch-hiking as he had no more money.

He was picked up by police just before he arrived at his destination.

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#90226d7120 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (AUG. 14) - West German armed forces will get involved in the Gulf crisis only in a very limited scope and only in accord with the nine member countries of the Western European Union (Weu), government spokesman Dieter Vogel stated here Tuesday.

The foreign and defence ministers of the Weu alliance, whose task is to harmonize the views of member countries on security and defence questions, are to meet August 21 in Paris to coordinate the activities of European countries in the Gulf.

Vogel said if the ministers reached agreement on coordinated measures in the crisis region, then the government ''would participate within the framework of its legal and factual possibilities''.

In the past, political leaders in Bonn have always held that West German forces should not be deployed to regions outside the sphere of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato), in keeping with the constitution (Basic Law) which stipulates that the forces are defensive in nature.

Earlier Tuesday, Italian Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis had disclosed in Rome that West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl told Italian Premier Giulio Andreotti he was prepared under certain conditions to send West German minesweepers to the Gulf.

However, Kohl's office later said the chancellor had not made any further promises.

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#90226d7340 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 14) - Iraq is continuing to build up its troops along the border between Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, the Foreign Office said Tuesday.

A spokesman said Iraqi soldiers have taken "defensive positions" along the border, but said no additional information was available.

Eye-witness reports from the area said moral was low in the Iraqi army, he added, but gave no further details.

Many foreigners believing they were authorised to leave Kuwait have been stopped by border police, he said. Foreigners can leave Kuwait only if their destination is Iraq.

British diplomatic personnel in Kuwait have meanwhile reported that there were food and petrol reserves in Kuwait but they are difficult to obtain.

Banks are closed and while internal telephone communication had improved international calls were still impossible, the spokesman said.

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#90226d7390 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FORT STEWART, GA (AUG. 14) - U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney Tuesday warned Iraqi President Saddam Hussein against using chemical weapons in the Gulf crisis.

He said a "wide range of measures" was available to the United States should Iraq resort to chemical weapons, but said the use of Washington's own stockpiles of chemical weapons was not among them.

"I cannot conceive of a situation where the United States would want to use chemical weapons," said Mr. Cheney, who has been ordered by President George Bush to return to Saudi Arabia on Friday.

"We're trying to discourage all nations" from relying on chemical weapons, he told a press conference here after inspecting troops preparing to depart for the Gulf.

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#90226d7430 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 14) - The United States, apparently responding to criticism from several countries including France, is attempting to obtain U.N. coordination of its naval intervention in the Gulf against Iraq.

Ambassadors of the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council were invited Tuesday to the State Department to explore the idea of a U.N. joint military command of U.S., British, French and other warships in the Gulf.

The United States was criticised in a closed-door U.N. session Monday by several countries, for having threatened to intercept Iraqi boats without a decision from the Security Council to impose a naval blockade.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said Monday that only a U.N. Security Council resolution can declare an international embargo.

Meanwhile as the embargo on Iraqi shipping gathered momemtum, King Hussein of Jordan left for the United States, where he is to meet President George Bush to discuss the Gulf crisis.

King Hussein, who has distanced himself from Arab and international condemnation of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, met in Baghdad Monday with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

A Royal Navy frigate enforcing the embargo on Iraq checked out a Cypriot-registered tanker in the Gulf by radio Tuesday and asked the crew what it was carrying as two Iraqi vessels were forced to wait offshore near here.

Foreign Office Minister of State William Waldegrave said Monday that the British force in the Gulf, two frigates and a destroyer, would intercept any vessels suspected of breaking sanctions, which were approved by the United Nations Security Council following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Vessels in the Gulf have meanwhile been warned of mines after a U.S. warship spotted an Iraqi freighter in a "suspicious act".

The eight-nation Western armada enforcing the trade embargo of Iraq and Kuwait will exceed 60 ships within two weeks.

The United States, with a total of 28 ships already present, has the largest fleet. Three aircraft carrier groups constituted around the Dwight Eisenhower, Independence and Saratoga, are expected to be joined by a fourth that includes the aircraft carrier John F. Kennedy, along with the cruiser Wisconsin.

Also already in place is the USS La Salle, command and control flagship of Joint Task Force Middle East, accompanied by one cruiser, one destroyer and five frigates.

U.S. aircraft, including chartered planes carrying personnel, have been landing in the Saudi desert carrying troops and equipment roughly every 10 minutes.

Some 50,000 U.S. troops have already been ordered to Saudi Arabia. Pentagon sources say the figure could increase to 250,000 in the months ahead.

Britain now has three ships in the Gulf area, one destroyer and two frigates. In addition, it dispatched from Scotland three minesweepers that will bring the British strength in the Gulf to over 1,000 men: the greatest British military deployment since the 1982 Falklands War against Argentina.

Britain and the United States have indicated they would board or fire on any vessel leaving or entering any Iraqi or Kuwaiti port, as has Australia which is sending two missile-launching frigates.

France, which has indicated it would not take such actions unless the U.N. Security Council voted a blockade, has a missile-launching frigate and two corvettes in the area and will be joined by a anti-submarine frigate.

On Monday, the French aircraft carrier Clemenceau, carrying 40 helicopters and four planes, left with a missile cruiser and a refueling tanker. When they arrive in the Gulf within two weeks, they will bring French strength in the area to 2,650 men, the largest Western force after the United States.

Canada, the Netherlands, Belgium, West Germany are also sending ships. Greece has indicated it has prepared a frigate and will send it as soon as requested by NATO.

Italy will replace some of the U.S. fleet that normally patrols the eastern Mediterranean.

Syrian President Hafez al-Assad had talks Tuesday in Damascus with U.S. presidential envoy John Kelly for the second time in less than a week as Washington sought to tighten cooperation to enforce strict sanctions against Iraq.

The deposed crown prince of Kuwait, Sheikh Saad al-Abdallah al-Salem al-Sabah, on Tuesday left Damascus for Turkey after talks here with President Hafez al-Assad.

There have been reports that Syria has committed troops to the Gulf but no official confirmation from Damascus.

Syria has been Iraq's principal Arab adversary over the years, notably during the Gulf war when Damascus backed Iran.

Jordan's King Hussein who travelled unexpectedly Monday to Iraq for talks with President Saddam Hussein, left Tuesday for Washington.

King Hussein's visit to Iraq came a day after he accused industrial nations in the West of "redrawing the map" of the region to serve their own interests.

The New York Times reported Tuesday that Iraq had enriched itself in the affair by seizing between three and four billion dollars in gold bullion, foreign currencies and goods from Kuwaiti banks and businesses and transferred them to Baghdad.

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#90226d7500 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG 14) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise

stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

	cash		forward	
Copper	1,557.50	(1,582.50)	1,518.50	(1,535.50)
Lead	450.00	(454.00)	461.50	(459.50)
Zinc Sh	1,597.50	(1,624.00)	1,531.00	(1,541.00)
Tin	6,025.00	(6,027.50)	6,145.00	(6,150.00)
Aluminium	1,782.00	(1,809.50)	1,805.50	(1,828.50)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90226d8090 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) - The United States confirmed Tuesday that it was considering -- at the request of the Soviet Union -- consigning a role to the United Nations military staff committee in naval operations in the Gulf.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said Robert Kimmit, undersecretary for political affairs, would meet Tuesday with the ambassadors and charges d'affaires of the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council -- the United States, the Soviet Union, France, China and Britain.

The purpose of the meeting, she said, was "to follow up on the Soviet Union's suggestion to engage the U.N. military staff committee in discussion of the situation in the Gulf."

"The meeting today will seek to review what role the U.N. military staff committee might play in connection with implementation of the U.N. Security Council Resolution 661," said the spokeswoman.

Resolution 661 imposed a worldwide trade embargo on Iraq following its invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

"We anticipate that this meeting will be followed by further discussions among the permanent representatives of the five in New York with a view to activating the military staff committee in this regard," said the State Department spokeswoman.

The United States was criticized in a closed-door U.N. session Monday by several countries, including France, for having threatened to intercept Iraqi boats without a decision from the Security Council to impose a naval blockade.

Britain announced Monday that it was also willing to intercept ships that

violated the embargo.

France distanced itself from this position, but affirmed its solidarity with the Security Council.

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#90226d8150 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO (AUG. 14) - Jordanian police in the Gulf of Aqaba forced Tuesday a Norwegian ship to reload its cargo of wheat destined for Iraq, informed sources here said.

The cargo of wheat had been intercepted by United Nations forces enforcing the U.N.-approved embargo against Iraq in response to its invasion of Kuwait.

Terje Moe, the captain of the Norwegian cargo ship Tanga owned by the company Gearbulk of Bergen, was told he and crew members would be arrested if the boat was not reloaded, the sources said.

A spokesman for Gearbulk de Bergen said the cargo ship has been used as a wheat silo in the Gulf of Akaba for the past five years.

All grain-laden boats in the Gulf unload onto the Tanga, which transfers the grain to freight trains destined for Iraq, the spokesman said.

"We don't know what will happen in the future or if we will continue to load grain in the Tanga," the spokesman said.

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#90226d8160 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 14) - Jordan is "committed" by United Nations sanctions against Iraq, Jordanian Crown Prince Hassan Ibn Tallal declared here Tuesday, adding that his government's position in the Gulf crisis had been misunderstood.

Prince Hassan was addressing a press conference as the Jordanian monarch, King Hussein, was leaving for the United States and talks Thursday with President George Bush.

King Hussein, who met Monday in Baghdad with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, received a message from the Iraqi leader just two hours before his departure, authoritative sources said here.

But they would not disclose the nature of the note, nor if it was intended for Mr. Bush via King Hussein.

Jordan, with critical economic ties to Baghdad, has sought to distance itself from Arab and international condemnation of Iraq's August 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

The Jordanian government voted against an Arab ministerial decision condemning the invasion and abstained from another measure calling for Arab troops to be deployed in Saudi Arabia.

To the annoyance of the United States, Jordan has yet to halt overland shipments of goods to Iraq despite United Nations-approved trade sanctions against Baghdad.

But Prince Hassan insisted Tuesday that Jordan was "committed" by the U.N. decision on sanctions against Iraq, which he said did not cover food and medicine.

He asserted Jordan's opposition to the acquisition of territory by force and said his country's stand on the issue had been misunderstood.

Jordan, he added, was in contact with the United Nations on the sanctions question and argued that the U.N. charter "allows each country 30 days to formulate its position."

Stressing the grave consequences that the embargo would have on the Jordanian economy, Prince Hassan said the charter called for "compensation for countries that are harmed" by sanctions.

The southern Jordanian port of Aqaba on the Red Sea has traditionally been a critical transit point for Iraqi goods, which are trucked over the desert to the Iraqi-Jordanian frontier 1,000 kilometers (600 miles) to the north.

Visitors to Aqaba on Tuesday said license plates carried by trucks in the port suggested that the vehicles were bound for Iraq.

Hundreds of trucks, weighing from 30 to 60 tonnes, were seen transporting machine tools, pipes, bags of cereal and closed metal and wooden containers.

Seven ships were in port and three others were waiting further out to sea but authorities refused to discuss their cargo or its destination.

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#90226d8210 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (AUG. 14) - Armored vehicles rumbled through Lima's streets Tuesday a day after suspected rebels car-bombed the presidential palace, as outrage over the fledgling government's draconian austerity plan intensified.

The bombing was the most spectacular of a series of attacks which have left three people dead and 23 wounded in two days, and it came 18 days after President Alberto Fujimori took office.

Police cordoned off the presidential palace after the bombing, in which a stolen car packed with 40 kilograms (90 pounds) of explosives was slammed into the rear wall of the building while Mr. Fujimori was inside.

Authorities said two people jumped out of the moving car after pointing it at an iron gate in the rear of the palace.

The president was not hurt, but the blast injured four passers-by and blew out windows in the building.

A presidential spokesman said Wednesday that Mr. Fujimori was spending the day studying proposals to raise salaries to compensate for price hikes that included a 30-fold increase in gasoline prices.

Among other things, the plan eliminates government subsidies in an effort to make the economy more responsive to market forces. Prices of some food items have quintupled.

Authorities investigating the palace attack said they suspected the Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement, which takes its name from an Indian chief who fought the Spanish conquistadores in colonial Peru.

In other attacks, a car-bomb exploded Tuesday in the Andean city of Ayacucho, a stronghold of Peru's other main rebel group, the Shining Path. The blast destroyed the front wall of the local headquarters of Mr. Fujimori's party, Change '90. There were no reported injuries.

In Cusco, the ancient capital of the Incas, a car-bomb with 30 kilograms (65 pounds) of explosives went off Monday outside an army barracks, killing one civilian and injuring 19 other people, five of them seriously.

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#90226d8290 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PANAMA CITY (AUG. 14) - The Panama Canal will not be closed to Iraqi and Kuwaiti ships, the Panamanian foreign ministry announced Tuesday.

He said the government had discussed possible sanctions against Iraq and it supported the corresponding resolution of the U.N. Security Council.

However, a ban an Iraqi and Kuwaiti ships travelling through the canal, a matter to be decided jointly by the governments of Panama and the United States, would not be approved by Panama, he said.

According to information from the Panama Canal Authority few ships of Iraqi nationality use the waterway which connects the Atlantic and the Pacific.

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#90226d8330 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (AUG. 14) - U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney is due Friday in the western Saudi city of Jeddah for talks with Saudi officials on the situation in the Gulf following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, U.S. diplomatic sources said here Tuesday.

The United States has so far deployed some 50,000 air and ground troops in the kingdom, which Washington says is now threatened by Iraqi troops in neighboring Kuwait.

Mr. Cheney was in Jeddah for meetings with King Fahd and Defense Minister Prince Sultan bin Abdel Aziz on August 6, after which Saudi Arabia requested U.S. military assistance.

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#90226d8430 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 14) - Pro-Iraqi demonstrators gathered in the Israeli-occupied territories Tuesday, shouting support for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and burning U.S. flags.

Some 200 persons marched through the streets of Nablus and called for the overthrow of the Egyptian and Saudi governments, which have denounced Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and approved the deployment of Western forces in the Gulf.

On the Gaza Strip four demonstrators were arrested as they brandished Palestinian flags and portraits of President Hussein.

The Iraqi leader has struck a responsive chord among Palestinians living under occupation who see him as an Arab leader strong enough to end Israeli rule.

Mr. Hussein has also linked a settlement in Kuwait to an end to Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza, Arab territories it seized in the 1967 Middle East war.

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#90226d8460 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 14) - The Lloyd's War Risks Rating Committee raised war premiums Tuesday on cargoes for Saudi Arabian ports and instituted a

similar premium for Jordanian ports, Lloyd's announced.

A premium of 0.5 percent was ordered for the Saudi port of Dammam, west of Bahrain, and for all Saudi ports farther north, with the exception of the Neutral Zone along the Kuwaiti border.

Those ports were previously rated as "held covered", i.e., existing policies would apply but subject to increased premiums to be imposed later in case of a worsening of the situation.

The premium for the other Saudi ports was increased to 0.05 percent of the insured cargo value, against the previous 0.0275 per cent. The Iraqi and Kuwaiti coasts and the Saudi Neutral Zone remain "held covered".

A premium of 0.1 percent of the insured cargo value was ordered for Jordanian ports.

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#90226d8490 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOURGES, FRANCE (AUG. 14) - Leka I, the pretender to the Albanian throne, Tuesday called on Albanians to stay at home and overthrow communism, during a visit to the Royal Albanian Foundation near here.

In a statement, Leka I, who lives exiled in South Africa, also expressed the hope that Albania would "rejoin the free world, democratically".

The Royal Albanian Foundation, at the castle of Chapelle d'Angillon in central France, was set up in 1983.

The exiled monarch's call came as several hundred Albanians have fled to France from Albania, although many say they want to emigrate to the United States.

A total of 34 Albanian men, women and children arrived in Paris Tuesday from a centre in nearby Mourmelon, with the intention of going to the U.S. embassy, police said.

The police were trying to persuade the refugees to return to Mourmelon or to go to a Paris hostel as the embassy is closed until Thursday because of the French Assumption holiday on Wednesday.

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#90226d8540 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (AUG 14) - Elio Erriquez, the Swiss hostage freed Monday after being held for 10 months in Lebanon, arrived Tuesday in Geneva where he was welcomed at the airport by his family and hundreds of friends.

Mr. Erriquez, 24, was also greeted by members of the Swiss government and officials from the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC).

The bone specialist was working for the ICRC in Saidon, southern Lebanon, when he was abducted.

Pale with hair cut short, Mr. Erriquez embraced his mother, twin sister, two brothers and his fiancee upon stepping down from the airplane that arrived from Damascus.

On the plane with Mr. Erriquez was Emanuel Christen, another ICRC worker taken hostage at the same time last October and released last Wednesday.

Mr. Christen, 33, had flown to Damascus to accompany Mr. Erriquez.

Speaking in a low voice and with long pauses, Mr. Erriquez, who thanked the Swiss people for their support, told journalists that the conditions in which he and Mr. Christen were held were "atrocious."

He said he was kept in a tiny barely-lit and suffocating room and was given no information about what was happening in the outside world.

"What helped a lot was that during the whole ordeal the two of us were never separated, so we were able to give each other moral support," Mr. Erriquez said.

Though Mr. Christen speaks Swiss German and Mr. Erriquez speaks French, toward the end of the 312 days of detention Mr. Christen was able to speak some French, Mr. Erriquez said.

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#90226d8560 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 14) - Liberian rebel leader Prince Yealu Johnson telephoned the BBC Tuesday afternoon to deny reports of his death in an ambush by rival rebels, BBC officials said here.

Officials of the Focus on Africa program said that a man who was "very certainly" Prince Johnson telephoned at 1730 GMT, probably from Monrovia, to say he was "alive and well".

A spokesman for Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) had said earlier Tuesday in Abidjan that Mr. Johnson had been killed in an ambush in Monrovia by NPLF rebels.

But U.S. State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said in Washington later in the day that "We have a reliable source this morning that told us

they have seen him today, alive".

The BBC officials said that during the telephone conversation, over a "very bad" line, Mr. Johnson said he was "very surprised" to have heard the NPFL claim.

He said that many people had seen him and expressed relief to find him alive and in good health.

Speaking of Mr. Taylor, he asked "How can a man who wants to be president be such a liar"?

The Focus on Africa officials said they were virtually certain that it was actually Prince Johnson to whom they were speaking. He had telephoned them on Monday, and they compared recordings of the two conversations.

In addition, they asked him a number of tough questions which only he could have answered.

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#90226d8590 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 14) - The U.N. decolonization committee Tuesday approved a measure urging Argentina and Britain to resolve their differences over the Falkland Islands through negotiations.

The measure was approved with a majority of 20 votes in favor, while Sierra Leone, Norway, and Trinidad and Tobago abstained.

The Iraqi representative has not participated in the committee's proceedings since the Gulf crisis erupted over Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The draft resolution -- proposed by Cuba, Chile and Venezuela -- said the "maintenance of colonial situations is incompatible with the U.N. ideal of universal peace," a position considered very favorable to Argentina's claims of sovereignty over the British-administered South Atlantic archipelago.

Argentina and Britain fought a six-week war over the archipelago in 1982. A total of some 900 soldiers from both sides died in the brief war.

The draft resolution also stressed that renewed British-Argentine cooperation "should facilitate the renewal of negotiations to find a peaceful solution to the controversy over sovereignty."

The proposal, which must be approved by the General Assembly before the end of the year, underscores the importance Secretary General Javier Perez de

Cuellar has placed on finding a negotiated solution to the Falklands issuel.

After Britain and Argentina resumed diplomatic relations earlier this year, the traditional debate on the issue in the assembly has taken on less polemic tones.

But Argentina has insisted on keeping the matter on the U.N. agenda.

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#90226d8610 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PHOLA PARK, South Africa (AUG. 14) - Four people were killed Tuesday in continued fighting between rival black factions in this squatter camp east of Johannesburg which, over the past few days, has left 15 dead and about 55 injured, the South African news agency Sapa reported.

Scores of armed police and appeals for calm failed to achieve peace Tuesday between warring Xhosa and Zulu groups.

Thousands of squatters, most of them Zulu, fled the 35,000-strong squatter camp with their belongings after renewed fighting broke out early Tuesday morning, Sapa said.

By late afternoon the camp was virtually deserted. Only armed Zulu residents remained.

Some fleeing squatters have sought refuge in nearby houses. About 1,000 of them are holed up at a nearby Roman Catholic Church but plans are being made to evacuate them because of fears the church may come under attack.

The latest violence fuelled fears that a bloody civil war in the Natal Province, between supporters of Zulu Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's conservative Inkatha party and those of the socialist African National Congress (ANC) and United Democratic Front (UDF), were spilling into Transvaal Province townships.

Eyewitnesses said the fighting here broke out when the squatters attacked a nearby migrant workers' hostel Sunday in retaliation for the death of "one of their friends" Monday last week, Sapa said.

Police said they were trying to arrange talks between the ANC and Inkatha to defuse the violence. Colonel Frans Malherbe said leaders from both factions had undertaken to stop the fighting and agreed on further talks.

He added that the situation was still tense.

Mr. Buthelezi denied, in a panel discussion on State-run television Tuesday

night, that Inkatha was "exporting violence" from Natal to other parts of the country.

He said Inkatha councillors had in the past been brutally killed in the Transvaal and that these attacks were now re-surfacing since President Frederik de Klerk lifted the country's four-year State of Emergency everywhere but in Natal.

There could be no peace between Inkatha and pro-ANC factions until ANC deputy president Nelson Mandela agreed to meet him on the issue, he said.

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#90226d8660 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (AUG. 14) - More than 10,000 Tunisians rallied here Tuesday to demonstrate support for Iraq and to denounce U.S. military intervention in the Gulf, witnesses said.

The demonstrators, grouping the ruling Rassemblement Constitutionnel Democratique party along with six legal opposition groups, marched toward Arab League headquaters, shouting slogans hostile to King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Mr. Mubarak and King Fahd, who have condemned Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and have accepted the deployment of foreign forces in the Gulf, were denounced as "traitors" and "cowards."

Brandishing Palestinian, Tunisian and Iraqi flags, marchers called on Arab states to shut down U.S. embassies on their soil and vowed to defend Iraq.

Once at the Arab League the crowd burned the U.S. and Israeli flags, while representatives of the demonstrators met with Arab League Secretary General Chedli Klibi.

Iraq's defiance of the United States, notably after Washington ordered the deployment of air and ground forces in Saudi Arabia, has been hailed by many ordinary Arabs who deeply resent what they see as foreign intrusion.

In addition, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has endeared himself to the Arab masses by linking a settlement in Kuwait with an end to Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

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#90226d8730 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (AUG. 14) - Chedli Klibi, Secretary General of the Arab League, described the Gulf initiative of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as being of ''especial importance'' in a statement to the Iraqi news agency Ina

released by the Arab League in Tunis Tuesday.

Saddam Hussein had suggested a global Middle East solution providing among other things for Israel's withdrawal from the occupied territories, Syria's withdrawal from Lebanon and a pullout of American troops from Saudi Arabia.

The proposal had been rejected immediately by the United States and other Western countries but was welcomed by some Arab leaders.

Chadli said Saddam Husseins initiative demonstrated the ''contradictions of the big powers'' in safeguarding their interests in the Gulf region.

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#90226d8780 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN SALVADOR (AUG. 14) - Fighting between leftist Salvadoran rebels and government troops has left at least 19 dead and 21 wounded in the past two days, the armed forces said Tuesday.

Some of the most dramatic fighting occurred on the Pan-American Highway, 70 kilometers (40 miles) east of the capital San Salvador.

Rebels from the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) had held up traffic on the highway for two hours before the army summoned the air force to help dislodge the guerrillas.

Two soldiers died, six others were wounded and another was taken prisoner during the fighting, the military said.

In other clashes, the army said seven soldiers died and 10 others were wounded in the central department of Cuscatlan and there were numerous casualties among rebels.

The FMLN claimed over its clandestine Radio Farabundo Marti to have killed eight soldiers, wounded 13 others and taken six prisoners in that clash.

In other fighting, the military said two soldiers died and five others were wounded while guarding a grain storage facility in northern Chalatenango province.

Another two soldiers died in a clash north of the capital and four rebels and a soldier died in fighting in central La Libertad department, the army said.

The army also claimed to have broken up a guerrilla camp and to have killed one of the rebels in eastern El Salvador.

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#90226d9230 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) - The incomes of some 130,000 poor farm families in central China will nearly triple as a result of a project to develop fruit orchards near the Yangtze River, the World Bank announced here Tuesday.

The International Development Association (Ida), the World Bank's concessionary lending affiliate, is supporting the project with a credit of 48.6 million Special Drawing Rights (64 million dollar).

The project includes steps to improve domestic marketing of fruit and increase agricultural agencies' capacity for producing and distributing disease-free trees to farmers.

The average farmer in the project region currently earns as little as 50 dollars a year. In addition to raising farmers' incomes, the project is also expected to generate thousands of jobs in rural areas.

The Ida credit is for 35 years, including 10 years of gracen it carries no interest, but has an annual charge of 0.75 percent on the disbursed balance and a variable charge of up to 0.5 percent (currently zero percent) on the undisbursed balance.

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#90226d9940 08/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FRANKFURT (AUG. 15) - West Germany's Commerzbank AG on Tuesday announced plans to raise 500 million Deutsche marks (317 million dollars) to help the bank expand its operations in Germany and elsewhere.

In a statement, the bank said the planned issue of convertible nonvoting certificates would boost the bank's funds to 7.3 billion Deutsche marks.

The company said more information concerning the issue, a formula which offers tax benefits to the purchaser, would be announced at the end of the month.

During a period which has not yet been determined but will be less than the 10-year life of the certificates, purchasers will be able to convert them to regular Commerzbank shares, at a rate which remains to be decided, according to the statement.

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#90226e0005 08/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
LOJA, SPAIN (AUG. 14) EFE - Residents of a small southern Spanish town will no longer be able to sing in the bath, shout across to their neighbors or allow their dogs to bark after 10 p.m. under a new law passed

by local officials desperate to curb noise, a Madrid newspaper reported Tuesday.

Municipal authorities in Loja, some 400 km south of Madrid, have given the go-ahead to a by-law which they hope will reduce noise in the town during the evening and early morning, the daily El Pais reported.

The regulation, which affects some 21,000 people, prohibits "speaking and singing in a loud voice inside homes, on stairways, in patios and on the street between 10 p.m. and 8 a.m.".

It stresses that unacceptable noise also includes pets barking, wailing or crowing.

"Singing at night can be relaxing, but two drunkards warbling away is not so pleasant," Loza Mayor Manuel Martin explained to El Pais.

"Neither is it normal that because some fellow has to spend 15 minutes trying to start his motorbike outside a disco at 3 a.m. that he has to shout to his friends as he does so," added the mayor.

Martin, who is aware the law will probably give rise to many jokes both in Loza and elsewhere in Spain, said the town hall has spent the last two years trying to persuade a breeder of fighting cocks that the birds make too much noise and do not let his neighbors sleep in in the mornings.

"The lack of regulations meant we could do nothing against this person whose 40 cocks were cock-a-doodle-dooing every day at 5 a.m.," the mayor explained.

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#90226e0009 08/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MEXICO CITY (AUG. 14) EFE - Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel is to arrive Tuesday for a two-day official visit to Mexico where he will discuss bilateral trade ties with Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari.

In a press release, the Mexican Foreign Ministry announced that the two leaders will also talk about +the opening and democratic process in which Mexico as well as the Czech and Slovak Federated Republics are resolutely carrying out+.

The two countries have maintained diplomatic relations since the end of World War I, and began trading in 1974.

In 1989, Mexico imported from Czechoslovakia dlrs 23.9 million in machinery, chemical products and manufactured goods, while it exported to

the East European country dlrs 3.3 million worth of coffee, cotton, and textiles.

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#90226e0015 08/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ELCHE, SPAIN (AUG. 14) EFE - Some 277 people have been injured in the southeastern Spanish town of Elche during an annual festival in which hundreds of youths hurl fireworks at each other, police said Tuesday.

Twelve of the victims were seriously burnt in Monday's festivities and transfered to hospital, but all but one of them were later released, the police spokesman said.

Most of the youths were however treated at local clinics for superficial burns and sent home.

During the so-called "Night of the Dawn" fiesta, firefighters put out some 30 fires around the town, 400 km southeast of the capital.

Last year, 264 people were slightly injured during the festival and two suffered serious burns.

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#90226e0018 08/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (AUG. 14) EFE - Spaniards may complain a lot about the havoc reigning in their telephone system, but its inefficiency this month enabled police to nab a group of drug traffickers, authorities said Tuesday.

Thanks to a crossed telephone connection, a frustrated caller was able to tip police off to a drug gang based in a Madrid hostal, leading to the arrests of five people.

Police raided the hostal, arrested its owner, her son, the manager and two Algerians, and seized 15 kg of hashish as a result of a follow-through investigation initiated after the tip-off.

The raid came after earlier this month a Madrid resident told police that he had overheard a drug deal being pacted when his telephone line crossed with another conversation.

Somebody seeking drugs was given the address of the hostal and told to go there and ask for +Yamed+, the informer told authorities.

Police, who had staked out the site prior to the raid, said that at the hostal the drug clients were greeted by the owner and were asked to wait

in a room until one of the Algerians came to deliver the goods.

Spaniards have been increasingly irked with their telephone system, run by the communications giant Telefonica, and constantly complain of crossed lines, the absence of a dial tone, and the inability to complete their calls.

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#90226e0023 08/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

HAVANA (AUG 14) EFE - Five more Cubans Tuesday scaled the fence surrounding the residence of the Belgian ambassador in Havana bringing to nine the number of Cubans who have entered the grounds seeking asylum, diplomats reported

Ambassador Louis Cornet Delzius said the five refuge seekers had entered the residence grounds despite increased police security around the building, ordered after four others had climbed the residence fence a day ealier.

Delzius described the latest arrivals as "robust" but declined to say if he suspected that they were planted by Cuban security officials.

"What they want is to leave the country," Delzius said of the nine refugees.

Eighteen Cubans wanting to leave the Communist-ruledc island have been holed up for almost a month in the Spanish embassy in Havana.

The Cuban refugee crisis began early July 9 when 19 Cubans entered the Czechoslovak embassy and five more broke into the residence of the Czech charge de affairs in Havana.

Soon after, four Cubans sought refuge in the residence of the Italian ambassador in Havana and three more asked for asylum after entering the Swiss embassy.

The refugees in the Czechoslovak, Italian and Swiss missions later surrendered "unconditionally" to Cuban authorities.

But Spain's refusal to hand over its Cuban asylum seekers and Havana's refusal to allow them to leave the country has strained the two countries' normally close relations.

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#90226e0026 08/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (AUG. 14) EFE - Argentine President Carlos Menem has agreed

that the question of sovereignty over the disputed Falkland Islands should be put aside while Argentina and Britain "worked together in all other fields", according to the British ambassador to Buenos Aires, Humphrey Maud.

Maud's comments came after he had visited Menem at the Casa Rosada presidential palace Monday, their first meeting since the ambassador presented his credentials following renewal of diplomatic ties between the two nations in February.

Maud rejected the idea of a prompt meeting between Menem and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher who sent a task force to retake the Falklands when the South Atlantic archipelago was invaded by Argentina in 1982.

Some 1,000 combatants died in the ten-week ground, naval and air war that ended with the islands returning to British rule.

On the sovereignty question Maud said, "We are agreed in putting this matter to one side, but that we should work together in all other fields."

He added that trade between the two countries could not increase "from one moment to another" but he believed that the visit of an Argentine trade mission to London in November would "without doubt interest British investors".

He said that the question of Argentine families being allowed to visit the graves of soldiers buried in the Falklands was being discussed with the International Red Cross Committee which was handling the issue.

The Menem-Maud meeting came the same day that Argentine diplomat Alfredo Chiradia told the United Nations decolonialization committee that "valid reasons" for delaying talks over the sovereignty of the Falklands were running out.

But while he said an outcome must be found for the "anachronistic colonial situation" he ruled out any use of force.

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#90226e0032 08/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LA CORUNA, Spain (AUG. 14) EFE - A festival event where roosters are hung from a cord and then beaten to death with sticks has been banned from the fiesta programs of two northwestern Spanish towns, officials said Tuesday.

The clampdown on the so-called Corrida del Gallo (rooster party) events came after the Spanish ecology group Arco Iris called them "public lynchings".

Arco Iris protested to the authorities about two events due to be held this week in the towns of Carral and As Pontes, some 500 km northwest of Madrid.

The Corrida del Gallo is held in various parts of the Galicia region.

Arco Iris claims it amounts to the "public lynching of an animal+ and is "against the rights of the animals and the sensitivity of many citizens+.

The group's latest victory follows a similar banning in the town of Zas.

But although civil guards were sent in to prevent the planned corrida there it is believed the event was switched to another part of town.

Interior Ministry representative Ramon Berra told the mayors of Carral and As Pontes that he had banned the event from their fiestas because it "involved cruelty, maltreatment and possible sadism toward the animals."

It also "ruptured the harmonious relation between man and beast" he added.

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#90226f2012 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 14) UPI - Stock prices closed higher Tuesday in quiet summer trading on the London International Stock Exchange boosted by some selected bargin hunting in the gold and oil sectors.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 14.3 points Monday, gained 14.5 points to 2,234.0. The narrower top 30 industrial average added 10.4 points to 1,742.6.

An estimated 330 million shares chnaged hands, compared with 295 million shares on Monday.

Analysts said prices edged higher from the opening bell as local investors sought selective issues at lower levels.

Market watchers noted volume continued to remain sluggish as large institutional investors remained cautious over the Middle East crisis, and many professional traders were on summer holidays.

On the local economic front, the Central Statistical Office reported Britain's industrial production rose 2.2 percent in June from May and 5.6 percent from June 1989, largely as a result of output from Britain's energy sector.

Analysts said the report had little or no impact on investors despite market forecasters expecting the government report to show an 0.2 percent

month-on-month rise.

Among the most widely traded stocks, oil stocks continued to benefit from the ongoing worries in the oil-rich Middle East crisis.

On the London Petroleum Exchange Brent Crude prices for September delivery inched up to $26.95 a barrel.

In the oil patch, British Petroleum added 7 cents to $10.13 and Shell gained 7 cents to $8.70.

As gold traders moved in to buy gold as a safe haven in the Gulf conflict, gold prices continued toe strongly, sending Val Reefs surging $3.75 to $97.

Eurotunnel managed to recover some of its 45-cent fall Monday on news that the group is facing delays in raising additional bank loans to complete the Channel Tunnel. Eurotunnel added 9 cents to $8.64.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed slightly higher in quiet trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which fell 43.29 points Monday, rebounded 9.00 points to 1,715.05 amid a round of bargin hunting.

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#90226k0023 08/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 14) KYODO - THE NUMBER OF BUSINESS FAILURES IN JAPAN FELL 12.5 PERCENT IN JULY FROM A YEAR BEFORE TO 483, A PRIVATE CREDIT RESEARCH AGENCY SAID TUESDAY.

JULY WAS THE 67TH STRAIGHT MONTH TO SHOW A YEAR-ON-YEAR DECLINE IN THE NUMBER OF BANKRUPTCIES WITH DEBT OF 10 MILLION YEN OR MORE, TEIKOKU DATA BANK LTD. SAID.

THE BANKRUPT FIRMS LEFT COMBINED DEBTS OF 86.7 BILLION YEN IN JULY, DOWN 59.1 PERCENT FROM A YEAR BEFORE.

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#90226k0042 08/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 14) KYODO - JAPAN'S POPULATION GROWTH RATE WAS THE LOWEST ON RECORD IN THE YEAR ENDING LAST MARCH, THE HOME AFFAIRS MINISTRY SAID IN A REPORT RELEASED TUESDAY.

THE REPORT, BASED ON A SURVEY OF RESIDENTIAL REGISTRIES, SAID THE POPULATION INCREASED FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR BY 409,639 OR 0.33 PERCENT -- THE LOWEST RATE OF INCREASE SINCE THE SURVEY BEGAN IN 1968 -- TO 122.74

MILLION.

THE SURVEY ALSO REVEALED THAT THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE PER HOUSEHOLD FELL TO 2.98, DIPPING BELOW THREE FOR THE FIRST TIME. THE NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS, HOWEVER, GREW BY 1.47 PERCENT TO 41.15 MILLION.

SENIOR POLITICIANS HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE DECLINING BIRTHRATE, WHICH REACHED A RECORD LOW OF 1.57 BIRTHS PER WOMAN IN 1989, AND HAVE URGED THE GOVERNMENT TO CONSIDER MEASURES TO ENCOURAGE WOMEN TO HAVE MORE CHILDREN.

TOKYO'S POPULATION FELL BY 15,281 -- THE BIGGEST LOSS AMONG 21 PREFECTURES THAT REGISTERED DECREASES -- TO 11,639,293.

SAITAMA PREFECTURE, BENEFITING FROM THE SO-CALLED ''DONUT'' PHENOMENON OF PEOPLE MOVING FURTHER AWAY FROM CITY CENTERS DUE TO SOARING LAND PRICES, TOPPED THE LIST OF 26 GROWING PREFECTURES FOR A THIRD STRAIGHT YEAR WITH AN INCREASE OF 100,941 PEOPLE. SHIGA PREFECTURE HAD THE HIGHEST GROWTH IN PERCENTAGE TERMS WITH 0.94 PERCENT.

KANAGAWA, CHIBA, AICHI, HYOGO, AND IBARAKI PREFECTURES -- NEIGHBORING THE THREE MAJOR CITIES OF TOKYO, OSAKA, AND NAGOYA -- ALSO GOT BIGGER.

POPULATION GROWTH IN THE NAGOYA AREA, INCLUDING AICHI AND MIE PREFECTURES, SLOWED FROM 0.61 PERCENT IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR TO 0.58 PERCENT, WHILE IN THE OSAKA AREA, ONLY HYOGO PREFECTURE SHOWED ANY GROWTH, WITH A RISE OF 0.15 PERCENT.

THE SURVEY ALSO SHOWED THAT WOMEN CONTINUE TO OUTNUMBER MEN IN JAPAN, BY 62.36 MILLION TO 60.38 MILLION.

FOLLOWING TOKYO, OSAKA RANKED SECOND IN TERMS OF POPULATION AT 8,557,512, KANAGAWA THIRD AT 7,847,465, AICHI FOURTH AT 6,576,699, AND SAITAMA FIFTH AT 6,294,960.

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#90226k0091 08/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 14) KYODO - JAPAN WILL EXPLAIN ITS PLAN TO HELP VICTIMS OF THE 1986 CHERNOBYL NUCLEAR PLANT ACCIDENT WHEN SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE VISITS IN EARLY SEPTEMBER, FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

THE GOVERNMENT, WHICH RECENTLY RECEIVED A DETAILED SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR BILATERAL COOPERATION ON THE ISSUE, HOPES TO HAVE A RESPONSE READY BY THE TIME SHEVARDNADZE COMES TO TOKYO, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

''WHILE WE MAY NOT BE READY BY THEN TO ANNOUCE SPECIFICS, WE AT LEAST

EXPECT TO BE ABLE TO GIVE THE SOVIETS AN INDICATION OF THE DIRECTION WE ARE AIMING AT,'' SAID ONE OFFICIAL.

OFFICIALS SAID THE SOVIET PROPOSAL ON CHERNOBYL COOPERATION WAS PRESENTED TO JAPAN IMMEDIATELY AFTER A DEPUTY MINISTERIAL-LEVEL MEETING IN MOSCOW IN LATE JULY, WHERE THE JAPANESE SIDE INDICATED THAT JAPAN WOULD POSITIVELY RESPOND TO A FORMAL SOVIET GOVERNMENT REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE.

THE PROPOSAL IS NOW BEING CONSIDERED AMONG THE MINISTRIES CONCERNED, WITH ADDITIONAL INPUT FROM MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS, THEY SAID.

LAST SATURDAY, JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO MOSCOW SUMIO EDAMURA TOLD SOVIET DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER VITALY DOGUZHIYEV THAT JAPAN IS WILLING TO ACTIVELY ASSIST IN CHERNOBYL-RELATED EFFORTS, BOTH BILATERALLY AND MULTILATERALLY, OFFICIALS SAID.

JAPAN FIRST EXTENDED GOVERNMENT-LEVEL COOPERATION IN JANUARY 1987 BY HOSTING A DELEGATION OF SOVIET MEDICAL SPECIALISTS, OFFICIALS SAID.

A SERIES OF SYMPOSIUMS AND JOINT STUDIES HAVE ALSO BEEN HELD SINCE DECEMBER 1988, WHEN RADIOLOGICAL MEDICINE EXPERTS COOPERATED AT A SESSION OF THE JAPAN-SOVIET COMMISSION FOR SCIENTIFIC-TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION.

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#90226k0092 08/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KATHMANDU (AUG. 14) KYODO - A JAPANESE DELEGATION MET NEPALESE PRIME MINISTER KRISHNA PRASAD BHATTARAI TUESDAY TO PROPOSE EXPANSION OF NEPAL-JAPAN CULTURAL TIES THROUGH MORE EXCHANGE PROGRAMS, THE CABINET SECRETARIAT SAID.

HEADED BY DIET MEMBER HOSEI NOROTA, THE 23-MEMBER DELEGATION IS CURRENTLY TOURING ASIA TO EXPLORE WAYS FOR GREATER INTERACTION BETWEEN THE JAPANESE AND THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH ASIA.

BHATTARAI TOLD THE JAPANESE THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WELCOMES THE PROPOSAL AND WILL DO ALL IT CAN TO FURTHER CONSOLIDATE FRIENDLY TIES ALREADY EXISTING BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, ACCORDING TO THE SECRETARIAT.

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#90226k0099 08/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 14) KYODO - THE JAPAN EXPORT-IMPORT BANK SAID TUESDAY IT WILL FINANCE A LOAN TOTALING 35,244 MILLION YEN TO THE NIGERIAN NATIONAL PETROLEUM CORP.

THE PUBLIC CORPORATION WILL APPROPRIATE THE FUNDS FOR THE IMPORT OF PETROCHEMICAL PLANTS FROM JAPAN, BANK OFFICIALS SAID.

THE ANNUAL INTEREST RATE FOR THE LOAN IS SET AT 7.5 PERCENT AS SPECIFIED IN ORGANIZATION FOR ECONONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT (OECD) GUIDELINES. THE REPAYMENT PERIOD IS 10 YEARS, FROM THE END OF 1993.

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#90226k0100 08/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 14) KYODO - THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT SAID TUESDAY IT WILL OFFER 2.71 BILLION YEN IN LOANS TO NEPAL FOR DAM MAINTENANCE. THE LOAN IS SET AT AN INTEREST RATE OF 1.0 PERCENT PER YEAR. THE TERM OF REDEMPTION IS 30 YEARS WITH A 10-YEAR DEFERRAL.

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#90226k0107 08/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 14) KYODO - PAKISTAN PRESIDENT GHULAM ISHAQ KHAN ISSUED AN ORDINANCE TUESDAY THAT ALLOWS CONVICTED MURDERERS TO FINANCIALLY COMPENSATE HEIRS OF THEIR VICTIMS IN EXCHANGE FOR CLEMENCY.

THE PRESIDENTIAL ORDER, EFFECTIVE FOR SIX MONTHS AFTER WHICH IT MUST BE APPROVED BY PARLIAMENT, REFLECTS A RECENT ISLAMIC COURT RULING WHICH SAID SO-CALLED ''BLOOD MONEY'' COULD BE PAID TO HEIRS OF MURDER VICTIMS IN EXCHANGE FOR MERCY.

THE GOVERNMENT OF DEPOSED PRIME MINISTER BENAZIR BHUTTO HAS FILED AN APPEAL BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT TO OVERTURN THE RULING, CALLING THE PAYMENT OF BLOOD MONEY ''UNCIIVILIZED.''

KHAN'S CARETAKER GOVERNMENT, HOWEVER, WITHDREW THE APPEAL MONDAY AND VOWED TO AMEND THE NATION'S PENAL CODE IN LINE WITH THE COURT RULING.

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#90226k0117 08/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 14) KYODO - SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV WILL LIKELY VISIT JAPAN EARLY NEXT APRIL, SOVIET DIPLOMATIC SOURCES SAID TUESDAY.

GORBACHEV INDICATED IN TALKS WITH SOKA GAKKAI HONORARY PRESIDENT DAISAKU IKEDA IN LATE JULY THAT HE WANTS TO VISIT JAPAN EARLY NEXT SPRING, BUT TUESDAY WAS THE FIRST TIME ANYTHING CONCRETE WAS DISCLOSED ABOUT THE SOVIET PRESIDENT'S TRAVEL PLANS.

SOVIET AUTHORITIES ARE CURRENTLY MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE APRIL TRIP, THE SOURCES SAID.

THE SOVIET UNION WILL PROPOSE MEASURES TO BUILD MUTUAL TRUST BETWEEN MOSCOW AND TOKYO DURING THE VISIT OF SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD

SHEVARDNADZE ON SEPTEMBER 5, THEY SAID.

THE SOVIETS WILL PROPOSE AN EXCHANGE OF MILITARY PERSONNEL AND VISITS BY NAVAL VESSELS FROM EACH NATION TO THE OTHER'S PORTS, THEY SAID.

RATHER THAN GOING TO KYOTO AND WESTERN JAPAN AS DO MOST VISITING DIGNITARIES, GORBACHEV IS CONSIDERING VISITING NIIGATA, WHICH HAS BEEN AN IMPORTANT PORT OF CALL FOR SOVIET GROUPS AND DELEGATIONS, THEY ADDED.

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#90226m0001 08/14/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 14) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that retail sales for July rose 0.1%, but excluding autos it rose 0.3% Analysts were expecting a modest 0.4% rise in retail sales.

After yesterday's power outages, the AMEX will open on time, the MERC at 11:00. ... In Tokyo it is a rare up day as the Nikkei gains 496 points on buying by big brokerage firms. ... Stocks were also higher in mid-day London trading. ... TLC BEATRICE INTERNATIONAL says second-quarter earnings rose 99% from the same quarter last year. ... USAIR says it will lay off 200 pilots and a number of other workers to cut costs. ... SEARS denies a published report that Chairman EDWARD BRENNAN has six months to improve sales or face ouster. ... AT&T and KOKUSAI DENSHIN DENWA, Japan's international telecommunications monopoly, sign an agreement with CHINA's telecommunications ministry to expand China's communications links with Japan and the United States. ... GENERAL MOTORS reached a tentative accord with the UAW to settle a five-day strike at its Flint, Mich. parts-making factory. ... UNITED PARCEL SERVICE union workers ratified a new labor agreement, spurning the recommendation of their leadership. ... At midyear 35 out of 40 economists surveyed by "The Wall Street Journal" believed the economy would continue expanding for another year. Now only 19 out of 34 economists responding to a follow-up survey believe that there will not be a recession this year.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

Treasury Undersecretary DAVID MULFORD testifies today before the House Banking Committee on foreign currency intervention. ... The FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. board meets to consider an increase in insurance premiums. ... U.S. - Arab CHAMBER OF COMMERCE holds a briefing on the status of U.S. business interests in the Persian Gulf.

FROM THE BULLS:

KEN HACKLE, president of SYSTEMATIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, says, "Let's carry on with this bull market, which we believe we're in, still. Stocks have gotten extremely, extremely cheap. ... Stocks are selling at very low cash flow multiples." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/13)

FROM THE BEARS:

PETER GRANDICH, chief market strategist for AFFILIATED FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, says the market has not hit bottom. "The artillery has [just] stopped for a while," he says. "You might stick your head out for a quick trade for the extreme short-term, but we're still in the bunker. I think the market will be stuck in a trading range of Dow 2600 to 2800. Unless you are an aggressive trader, there won't be much room on the upside." He sees the Dow in the low 2000s by October-November, dragged down by disappointing third-quarter earnings. ("USA Today", 8/14)

"We would be surprised if any politically inspired advance [in stocks] proves durable," says GERALD APPELL of "Systems and Forecasts." Even if the Mideast cools off, he believes a heavy zone of resistance now lies in the area of 2850-2900. "This is probably a time when all prudent men should retain large cash positions." At the "Mutual Fund Strategist," editor CHARLES HOOPER agrees that a money market fund is the safest place to be. His timing models recommend selling intermediate trend and international stock funds, as well as bond funds. (CNBC "World Business", 8/14)

Stocks are "still somewhat overvalued," even though the Dow has fallen more than 200 points since mid-July, says WILLIAM KEALY, director of research at GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. Since March, the firm has been recommending that investors be "underexposed in equities." (WSJ, 8/14)

"The trend is still down" in the stock market, says BRAD WEEKES, senior vice president of sales and trading at DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE SECURITIES. "This whole correction was not caused by Iraq, but by second-quarter earnings and higher interest rates." Mr. Weekes predicts the Dow industrials will find their next support level at the 2500 mark. He adds, "People are taking a wait-and-see attitude to see what happens in the Middle East." (UPI, 8/13)

STOCK MARKET:

"We were watching an oversold market trying to rally [yesterday]," says block trader JOHN BURNETT at DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE. "They got it down over 30 points on the Dow at the start and when the selling stopped the 'bargain-basement' people came in and it was up from there. But it's

not what you'd call a broad-based rally. The market's being held up by pockets of bargain hunting -- that's about it." ("The Washington Post", 8/14)

HUGH JOHNSON of FIRST ALBANY doesn't make much of yesterday's rally, especially in light of the fact that more stocks declined than advanced. "Sure, it's nice to see the averages up. Sure, it injects a little bit of confidence or a little bit of optimism into an otherwise bleak picture. But at the same time, it's not good to see that many stocks declining." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/13)

"When oil is strong and gold is strong, those are enemies of industrial shares anyway. And they certainly don't do utilities and airlines any good either," says ROBERT STOVALL of STOVALL/TWENTY- FIRST ADVISERS. Due to the fire disruption on Wall Street, "I think you had a misleadingly strong Dow Jones the last hour." As far as events in the Mideast, Mr. Stovall believes that if this situation drags on for months it will be bad news for the stock market. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/13)

"There are selected opportunities to take advantage of here, but by-and-large we don't really see a whole lot of goods on the horizon," says CHARLES COMER, director of research for CL GLOBAL PARTNERS. "We may get a little bounce or two along the way, but I think the markets are going to stay under pressure for an indeterminate time." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/13)

"This is the most oversold condition we've had in the last two years," says BEAR, STEARN's technical analyst JACK SOLOMON, explaining that share prices were long overdue for a rebound. LADENBURG THALMANN president JON GROVEMAN says the market's ability to hold above 2680 lured buyers. "It bounced off that like a charm." (Reuters, 8/13)

Give the Bush Administration some credit for yesterday's rebound in blue chip stocks, says ROBERT RITTER, chief market analyst at LADENBURG, THALMANN. "The Bush Administration is doing quite a good job of getting their act together," says Ritter. The idea that things seem to be going well in the Mideast halted a market selloff at 2680, last week's low. "When it couldn't go [down] any further, there was room for a big rally," says Ritter. (CNN "Business Morning", 8/14)

"I'd rather own stocks that can act as a hedge against inflation than bonds that can get hurt by it," says JOSEPH McALINDEN, director of equity research at DILLON READ. He says people are beginning to recognize that companies other than those in the oil industry, such as basic and precious metals producers, will be able to make money despite higher inflation. (WSJ, 8/14)

"I think we've really got a case of sellers' fatigue here," says MICHAEL

METZ of OPPENHEIMER & CO. "There's nothing new in the external environment." (Reuters, 8/13)

"This market is much better prepared for an oil problem than it was in 1978," says GENE JAY SEAGLE, director of technical research at GRUNTAL & CO. He says the market rise yesterday, which included blue chips, might have given a technical buy signal to the market. (NYT, 8/14)

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#90226p4961 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUMBLE, TX (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Marin Fund Inc. (OTC) ("Marin") reported gross revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $1,505,714 representing a 233 percent increase over second quarter 1989 revenues of $645,087. Net income for the quarter totaled $2,625 as compared to a net loss of ($141,868) in the second quarter of 1989. Revenue for the first six months of 1990 totaled $2,566,817 as compared to $1,553,281 for the like period in 1989. The increase was primarily associated with a 120 percent improvement in hardware/peripheral sales (from $1,081,121 to $2,449,943). Net income for the first six months of 1990 totaled $29,795 as compared to losses of ($133,248) for the like period in 1989.

Gross profits as a percentage of revenue totaled 19 percent compared to second quarter 1989 levels of 15 percent. General and administrative expenses totaled $282,357 in the second quarter of 1990 as compared to $237,365 in 1989 as a result of increased marketing expenses. Marketing expenses during the second quarter of 1990 increased to $95,529 from first quarter 1990 levels of $55,302. A moderate increase in marketing expenses is expected in the third quarter of 1990, as MBSI continues to expand its advertising campaign.

On March 2, 1990, Marin announced that its operating subsidiary, Micro Business Solutions Inc. ("MBSI") had reached an agreement with Samsung Information Systems of America ("Samsung") of San Jose, Calif., involving the sale and marketing of Samsung's new MU9511 Dual Page Display Monitor for the Apple Macintosh microcomputer. Samsung had granted MBSI the exclusive right to market the MU9511 in the United States from May 1 through Oct. 31, 1990. MBSI will actively market the MU9511 Dual Page Display Monitor to the Macintosh marketplace under its tradename "Software and Hardware That Fits." Due to production problems incurred by Samsung, MBSI will not receive these monitors in significant quantitiy until late August 1990. As a result, Samsung has extended MBSI's exclusive right to market the Dual Page Display Monitor through Feb. 28, 1991. The management of the company anticipates that the sale of Samsung's Dual Page Display under this agreement will significantly contribute to revenues beginning in October 1990.

Marin Fund through its operating subsidiary, Micro Business Solutions, is

engaged in the sale of computer hardware, peripherals and software for the Apple Macintosh computer and specializes in system integration under the tradename "Software and Hardware That Fits".

The common stock of Marin Fund is traded in the over-the-counter market and is listed in the "Pink Sheets" published by the National Quotation Bureau.

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#90226p4962 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

RIVERTON, WYO. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Metro Cable Corp. (NASDAQ: METO) today announced net earnings of approximately $8,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 compared to year-earlier net earnings of approximately $74,000.

Robert Thrailkill, president, said the company had income of $215,000 from oil production and investment income earned on short-term cash investments and marketable securities. Thrailkill noted that oil production income was lower in the current quarter due to declining oil prices and workover costs associated with two wells.

Thrailkill also indicated that management continues to view Metro's stock as undervalued and the company will continue to purchase its shares in the open market.

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#90226p4963 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

RIVERTON, WY (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Metro Cable Corp. (NASDAQ: METO) today announced net earnings of approximately $8,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 compared to year-earlier net earnings of approximately $74,000.

Robert Thrailkill, president, said the company had income of $215,000 from oil production and investment income earned on short-term cash investments and marketable securities. Thrailkill noted that oil production income was lower in the current quarter due to declining oil prices and workover costs associated with two wells.

Thrailkill also indicated that management continues to view Metro's stock as undervalued and the company will continue to purchase its shares in the open market.

CONTACT: Robert E. Thrailkill of Metro Cable Corp., 307-856-3800

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FARMINGTON, NM (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesa Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ: MESA) today reported net income of $1,014,359 or 61 cents per share for its third quarter, an 898.9 percent increase over last year's $101,546. Operating revenues rose from $5,826,363 to $13,182,464 for the third quarter, an increase of 126.2 percent.

Mesa has also released its July traffic figures. The airline carried 69,587 passengers in July which is a 114 percent increase over July, 1989. Revenue passenger miles increased 156 percent to 14,806, and available seat miles were up 129 percent at 28,549 as compared to the same time period last year. Load factors also increased to 51.9 percent from 46.3 percent in July of 1989. The air carrier has posted traffic increases for the past 16 months.

"This quarter's figures are the first to reflect the positive impact the United Express operation has had on Mesa," said Larry Risley, president of the airline. "Our other operations also continue to expand and to add to Mesa's financial growth. Despite the continuing expansion, Mesa has maintained its profitability."

Mesa also announced that due to the instability at the present time in the stock market because of the Persian Gulf crisis, the company has delayed its announced second public offering of approximately 2 million shares of common stock for which it had previously filed a Registration Statement. Management believes that better than expected operating results have lessened the company's anticipated equity requirements. Accordingly, it is anticipated that when the delayed offering comes to market, the size of the offering will be reduced to approximately 1 million shares.

Mesa Airlines, operates as an independent carrier out of its Albuquerque and Phoenix hubs and as an United Express carrier out of is Denver hub. Skyway Airlines, a wholly-owned subsidiary, operates as a code-share with Midwest Express Airlines out of its Milwaukee hub.

CONTACT: Gary Risley of Mesa Airlines Inc., 505-327-0271

-30- 2209

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Herbalife International Inc. (NASDAQ: HERB) reported today net income for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $133,000 or less than $.01 per share on total sales before distributor allowances of $38,943,000 compared to net income of $994,000 or $.05 per

share on sales of $31,614,000 for the same period last year.

Year-to-date net income for the first six months was $140,000 or less than $.01 per share on sales of $72,387,000 compared to net income of $4,008,000 or $.20 per share on sales of $67,800,000 for the same period last year.

All inquiries should be directed to Daniel L. De Tour, Director Corporate Development, Herbalife International Inc., 9800 La Cienega Blvd., Inglewood, Calif., 90301.

CONTACT: Daniel L. De Tour of Herbalife International Inc., 213-410-9600

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#90226p4981 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - If you are building a new home in Michigan, chances are greater than one in three that a central air-conditioning system is part of your plans.

Consumers Power Company notes a sharp increase in the number of new homes which include central air conditioning. In the past three years, more than 45,000 new central air-conditioning systems have been installed in all homes in the utility's service territory. Homes with central air conditioning now account for one out of every six residences served by Consumers Power.

"It costs 26 cents per hour to run an energy-efficient central air unit today, approximately the same as what it cost one year ago," said Paul A. Elbert, vice president of marketing, rates and wholesale power transactions. "Unlike many commodities, the price of our electricity has remained stable."

Homes with either a central air-conditioning system, or at least one room air-conditioner, account for almost half of all residences served by Consumers Power.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, 517-788-2396.

-30- 1501

#90226p4984 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - For the third quarter of its fiscal 1990, the three months ended June 30, Anacomp Inc. (NYSE: AAC) recorded

net income of $5,034,000 or $.12 per share ($.07 before extraordinary credit), on revenues of $164,945,000.

That compares to net income of $4,473,000 or $.10 per share ($.06 before extraordinary credit), on revenues of $158,229,000 in the third quarter of fiscal 1989.

For the nine months ended June 30, Anacomp recorded net income of $15,172,000 or $.36 per share ($.22 before extraordinary credit), on revenues of $473,627,000. That compares to net income of $8,922,000 or $.19 per share ($.22 from continuing operations before extraordinary credit), on revenues of $476,632,000 in the prior year. The revenue decline from the same period in fiscal 1989 resulted from reduced sales of certain low margin magnetics products, which have been eliminated from the company's product line. The magnetics revenue decline was largely offset by increased sales in several segments of the company's core micrographics business.

Louis P. Ferrero, Anacomp chairman and chief executive officer, noted the earnings strength of the company's core micrographics business, particularly computer output microfilm (COM) service bureau revenues, which were up $7.9 million, or 12 percent from the first nine months of the previous year. Total service revenues also generated a gross profit of 38 percent in the first nine months of the fiscal year, up from 36 percent in the first nine months of the previous year.

Ferrero also highlighted gains in micrographics sales and operating profits from Anacomp's Supplies and International Divisions, indicating that operating profits had increased 8.5 percent and 11.7 percent, respectively, over the first nine months of the previous year.

Ferrero indicated that net income in the third quarter was reduced more than $1.9 million or $.05 per share, compared with the third quarter of fiscal 1989, by amortization of fees incurred in connection with the waiver of certain stipulations in the company's senior and subordinated loan agreements. Debt-related fees will be reduced following the restructuring of the company's debt.

Anacomp is an information management company with leading market positions in micrographics services, systems and supplies. Anacomp's customers include banks and other financial institutions, large government and industrial users, and a variety of other businesses around the world. Anacomp common stock is listed on the New York and Midwest stock exchanges.

CONTACT: Nancy Vandeventer, 317-844-9666, or Dennis Lindsey, 404-262-2667 both of Anacomp, or Stanley Rubenstein of Rubenstein Wolfson & Co., 212-661-4343.

-30- 2919

#90226p4986 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOCA RATON, FLA. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Cascade International, Inc. (NASDAQ: KOSM) today announced its purchase of the controlling stock interest in Conston Corporation (AMEX: KCS) from the Conston family, for approximately $5,132,000 in cash. This represents approximately 63.7 percent of the outstanding voting stock of Conston.

Conston, presently in Chapter 11 Federal bankruptcy proceedings, is a specialty retailer of women's clothing and accessories, focusing primarily on large-sized women's apparel. Founded over 40 years ago, Conston operated as many as 350 retail stores under the names Famous Made, 16 Plus Charles and Kristy Corner with reported sales for the fiscal year ended March 3, 1990 of approximately $170,000,000. Since filing for protection under the Federal Bankruptcy Act in June 1990, Conston has reduced the number of its stores to approximately 290. At the time of the filing under Chapter 11, it reported assets of approximately $62,700,000 and liabilities of approximately $25,600,000.

Cascade, operating through wholly owned subsidiaries, is a broad line retailer of cosmetics, skin care products, designer fragrances and women's apparel. Cascade's cosmetics are distributed under the name Jean Cosmetics. Its women's apparal are retailed under the names JB's Boutiques, Boutiques Diana and Boutiques Allison.

Victor G. Incendy, Cascade's chairman and chief executive officer, described the transaction in the following terms: "This equity investment in Conston will secure the continued growth and stability of Cascade's combined cosmetics and retail operations. It is part of our long-range plan to control the retail locations of our subsidiaries for the distribution of our proprietary cosmetic products. We are very excited about this new investment opportunity. Conston will fit extremely well into our strategy of decentralized retail operations with centralized financial control. This acquisition will allow Cascade to extend further its retail strategy of combining its proprietary cosmetics distribution with women's apparel and accessory sales."

Cascade will operate Conston as a separate, publicly held subsidiary under a management team headed by Ira Quint, formerly president and chief executive officer of Lane Bryant. John J. Cebular will continue as the chief financial officer of Conston.

CONTACT: Kerrie A. Kane, investor relations of Cascade International, Inc., 407-338-8278; or Earle B. Brown of Investor Relations Consultants, Inc., 813-796-1452, for Cascade International, Inc.

-30- 2752

#90226p4987 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HERZLIYA PITUACH, ISRAEL (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Rada Electronic Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: RADIF) today announced its financial results for the three and six month periods ending June 30, 1990. Revenues for the six month period reached a record level of $11,545,000, a 10.5 percent increase over the 1989 period and net after tax profits rose to $708,000, a 4.1 percent increase over 1989. For the three month period ended June 30, 1990, the company achieved revenues of $5,502,000 as compared to $5,050,000 in 1989, and had net after tax profits of $318,000 as compared to $340,000 in the 1989 quarter. The decrease in the net income was principally due to a one time provision for taxes of $100,000.

According to Haim Nissenson, president of the company, the growth in sales and profits was mainly attributable to its industrial sector consisting of Rada (Israel) and Tasco Electronic Services Inc., a majority-owned subsidiary, located in Anaheim, Calif.

Rada Electronic Industries Ltd. is an Israeli-based company with subsidiaries in Israel, the United States and the Netherlands. Rada's product lines include advanced automated testing equipment, avionics and airborne computers, military standard computers and peripherals. Rada is also involved in the distribution of sophisticated electronic components, functional circuits and subassemblies in Israel, the United States and Europe.

RADA ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES LTD.
(In thousands, except per share data)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$5,502	$5,050	$11,545	$10,450
Earnings	318	340	708	680
Earnings per share	.049	.053	.11	.106

CONTACT: RADA Public Relations, 212-734-8340

-30- 2074

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MCLEAN, VA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - JHM Mortgage Securities L.P. (NYSE: JHM) today announced that its net income for the three months ended June 30, 1990, was $1,697,000, or 34 cents per unit, compared to $1,489,000, or 30 cents per unit, for the three months ended June 10, 1989.

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $2,159,000, or 43 cents per unit, compared to $2,196,000, or 44 cents per unit, for the six months ended June 30, 1989. The results for the six months ended June 30,

1990, include a one-time charge of $926,000, or 19 cents per unit, due to the adoption of a new method of accounting for CMO residual interests. This change in accounting will not affect taxable income or distributions.

The company's taxable income for the three months ended June 30, 1990, was $1,679,000, or 34 cents per unit.

The company's second quarter distribution of 30 cents per unit was paid on Aug. 9, 1990, to unitholders of record on July 31, 1990. The partnership's first quarter distribution was also 30 cents per unit.

JHM Mortgage Securities L.P. is a publicly traded partnership whose objective is to provide high quarterly income through the active management of a portfolio of mortgage-related assets. The partnership is managed by JHM Mortgage Capital Corporation and is affiliated with the JHM Group of McLean.

JHM MORTGAGE SECURITIES L.P.
Summary of Results
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$5,825,000	$6,920,000	$11,540,000	$13,765,000
Net income	1,697,000	1,489,000	2,159,000	2,196,000
Net income per unit	.34	.30	.43	.44
Taxable income	1,679,000	955,000	3,301,000	2,192,000
Taxable income per unit	.34	.19	.66	.44
Distribution declared per unit(A)	$.30	$.22	$.60	$.44

(A) Represents cash distributions declared based on taxable net profit for the periods indicated.

CONTACT: Stephen P. Gavula or C. Thomas Williamson III of JHM Mortgage Securities, 703-883-2900.

-30- 2524
#90226p4990 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) today announced that its board of directors has authorized the company to repurchase up to two million of its common shares.

The repurchase will be effected from time to time in open-market transactions at prevailing market prices. The company currently has approximately 27 million common shares outstanding, and its shares are quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System.

The company said that the shares are being repurchased to provide additional shares for issuance under the company's employee stock option and purchase plans without dilution of existing stockholder interests.

Headquartered in Torrance, Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software. The company's major product categories include database management systems word processing, integrated decision support, spreadsheets, graphics and software utilities. Ashton-Tate has operations worldwide, with products available in 20 languages and in more than 50 countries.

NOTE: Ashton-Tate(R) is a registered trademark of Ashton-Tate Corp.

CONTACT: Brad Stevens of Ashton-Tate Corp., 213-538-7348

-30- 1395

#90226p4992 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The E.W. Scripps Company (NASDAQ: EWSCA) today released its monthly revenue and statistical summary for July 1990.

The E.W. Scripps Company is a diversified media company which operates 19 daily newspapers, nine television stations, five radio stations and cable television systems with 580,000 basic subscribers. The company also is a worldwide syndicator and licensor of news features and comics, including "Peanuts" and "Garfield."

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY
Unaudited Revenue and Statistical Summary
Period: July
Report date: August 14, 1990

	July (A)		
	1990	1989	Pct Change
REVENUE (000,000s)			
Local	$18.2	$19.1	(4.7)
Classified	16.0	15.9	0.6
National	2.7	2.1	28.6
Preprints	4.5	4.7	(4.3)
Newspaper advertising	41.4	41.8	(1.0)
Circulation	12.0	11.8	1.7
Other publishing(B)	16.3	14.7	10.9
PUBLISHING	69.7	68.3	2.0
BROADCASTING	17.4	15.1	15.2
CABLE TELEVISION	16.5	14.9	10.7
OTHER	1.2	1.4	(14.3)
CONSOLIDATED	$104.8	$99.7	5.1
NEWSPAPER AD INCHES (000s)			

Local	762	815	(6.5)
Classified	997	1,043	(4.4)
National	52	49	6.1
Full run ROP	1,811	1,907	(5.0)
Part run ROP	100	91	9.9
Total	1,911	1,998	(4.4)
Cable TV basic subs (000s)			
Sacramento, CA	180.8	167.4	
Other systems	399.6	370.7	
Total	580.4	538.1	

	Year to Date		
	1990	1989	Pct Change
REVENUE			
Local	$139.4	$141.8	(1.7)
Classified	106.0	105.1	0.9
National	19.1	18.7	2.1
Preprints	34.3	36.4	(5.8)
Newspaper advertising	298.8	302.0	(1.1)
Circulation	82.0	80.9	1.4
Other publishing(B)	101.5	97.1	4.5
PUBLISHING	482.3	480.0	0.5
BROADCASTING	131.0	124.9	4.9
CABLE TELEVISION	111.8	101.3	10.4
OTHER	9.1	9.3	(2.2)
CONSOLIDATED	$734.2	$715.5	2.6
NEWSPAPER AD INCHES (000s)			
Local	5,965	6,293	(5.2)
Classified	6,965	6,964	0.0
National	408	451	(9.5)
Full run ROP	13,338	13,708	(2.7)
Part run ROP	685	685	0.0
Total	14,023	14,393	(2.6)

(A) -- July 1990 had one more Tuesday and one less Saturday than July 1989.

(B) -- Includes licensing, syndication, book publishing, share of profits of JOA newspapers not managed by the company, commercial printing and the newspaper sold 2/17/89. The divested newspaper had revenues of $1.1 million year to date 1989.

CONTACT: Rich Boehne of The E.W. Scripps Company, 513-977-3825

-30- 4085

#90226p4993 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSFORD, N.Y. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - SelecTronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: SELE) today reported that income from operations for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990, was $137,000 compared to a loss of $823,000 from operations

last year on a 26 percent increase in revenues to $8.5 million.

Interest expense and amortization of goodwill made final net for the quarter a $335,000 loss or $0.01 per share compared to a $783,000 net loss or $0.02 last year. Last year's quarter included a $245,000 tax benefit.

Mike Weiner, chairman and chief executive officer, said revenues increased due to a 25 percent increase to $6.5 million in sales of SelecTronics handheld electronic reference products (ERP) and a 30 percent increase to $1.9 million in Microlytics software revenues.

Operating expenses were down slightly from the year-ago quarter and more significantly, were down more than $1 million or 29 percent from the prior quarter, when the company reported an operating loss of $1.9 million and a net loss of $2.7 million or $0.08 per share.

SelecTronics Inc., which is 30 percent owned by Xerox, manufactures and markets handheld electronic reference products including the Electronic Bible licensed from Harper & Row; the Electronic Encyclopedia licensed from Random House; multi-language translators licensed from Berlitz; and WordFinder dictionaries, thesauruses, and spelling checkers.

Its wholly-owned subsidiary, Microlytics Inc., develops and markets software through traditional distribution channels and OEM licenses, including Microsoft, WordStar, Lotus, Tandy, Citizen, Hewlett-Packard, Claris, Symantec, XyQuest, Caere, DEC, and others. It also is the creator of "The Pocket Word Finder Thesaurus for Pocket Books."

CONTACT: Bruce Marche, CFO, SelecTronics, 716-248-3875, or Gary Fishman of Reynolds Associates (financial), 212-661-1830, or Connie Connors of Connors Communications (product), 212-431-9300, both for SelecTronics

-30- 2143

#90226p4996 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Limited, Inc. (NYSE/LSE/TSE: LTD) announced today that during the second quarter net income increased 24 percent to $79.0 million from $63.8 million a year ago, while earnings per share increased 22 percent to $.22 from $.18 a year ago. Net sales increased 17 percent to $1.155 billion from $990 million.

Leslie H. Wexner, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "I believe our focus on quality produced a solid second quarter, including a record second quarter gross margin, 30.5 percent; and operating income rate, 12.2 percent. Net income as a percent of sales was 6.8 percent, nearly a record for the second quarter.

"I am pleased to recognize the significant contributions of: Howard Gross

and the Victoria's Secret Stores associates for generating record second quarter operating income as a percent of sales. Michael Weiss and the Express associates for continuing to compound an outstanding annual rate of growth in the Division's operating income. Cynthia Fedus and the Victoria's Secret Catalogue associates for producing record second quarter operating income.

Martin Trust and the Mast Industries associates for producing extraordinary results and shipping record second quarter levels of merchandise."

Wexner concluded, "Earlier this year I said, 'This is a time of economic uncertainty; this uncertainty demands caution, but at the same time can offer substantial opportunity. Hopefully, we can work to take advantage of each opportunity.' My view remains unchanged."

The Limited, Inc., through the Limited, Express, Victoria's Secret, Henri Bendel, Lerner New York, Lane Bryant, Abercrombie & Fitch, and Penhaligon's, presently operates 3,290 specialty apparel stores and distributes apparel nationally through the Victoria's Secret, Lerner Direct, Lane Bryant Direct and Roaman's catalogues.

CONTACT: Alfred S. Dietzel of The Limited, Inc., 614-479-7070.

-30- 2112

#90226p5003 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Americanino Capital Corp. announced today that audited consolidated financial statements of its Italian subsidiary CORA S.r.l. (the former top holding company of the Americanino Group) and its subsidiaries as of Dec. 31, 1989, and for the year then ended, show an operating loss of $8.2 million on net sales of $147 million.

Americanino acquired CORA and interests in certain subsidiaries in exchange for cash and Americanino stock earlier this year. The Americanino Group manufactures and distributes sportswear and other leisure apparel, principally in Italy.

Taking into account interest expense of $12.2 million and other items, net after tax loss before minority interests was $25.3 million, resulting in a net loss attributable to CORA of $12.4 million. Management indicated that the $25.3 million loss included certain non- recurring events and write-offs totaling $15 million. The loss also included a charge of $3.5 million for accelerated amortization of intangibles, which was computed at the fastest rate permissible under Italian tax laws. Americanino has not yet determined over what period to amortize such intangibles in the future.

After careful analysis of those results, Americanino said it is satisfied

that its expectations for 1990 remain substantially unchanged, especially in light of the significant restructuring put in place to date, as explained below. Management earnings projections for 1990 are roughly in line with the $7 million pre-tax earnings figure estimated earlier this year. Consolidated sales for 1990 are expected to be about $200 million.

Americanino is now negotiating with the former owners of the Group with respect to a reduction of the acquisition price in light of disagreements regarding the manner in which the purchase price was computed.

Management said it believes that the causes of past losses in the Americanino Group have now been turned around or eliminated. It is actively working on further improvements in operations which will rapidly make the Americanino Group a clear European leader in its industry.

CONTACT: Gabriel B. Thomas, 41-22-732-7606, or John L. Thomas, 215-440-7816, or Fred Harlow, 404-381-7940, all for Americanino.

-30- 2453

#90226p5005 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWMARKET, NH (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Vitronics Corporation (AMEX: VTC) announced the receipt of an order from Davidson Interior Trim, a subsidiary of Textron, Inc. (NYSE: TXT), for its newly released Aquapro SMT Aqueous Cleaner System. Although the cleaning system was designed to be used in the electronics industry, the system can be utilized in other industries that require similar cleaning technology.

VITRONICS(R)' aqueous and semi-aqueous cleaning systems are environmentally safe and are alternatives to cleaning systems which use CFCs that damage the earth's ozone layer.

James J. Manfield, Jr. president and CEO of Vitronics Corporation said "We are pleased with the receipt of this order from Davidson/ Textron, a leading manufacturer of automotive interior parts. This order is significant because it is the first Aquapro SMT system sold as a result of our efforts to market our semi-aqueous and aqueous cleaning systems to industries outside the electronics industry. After considerable testing, Davidson was pleased with the results of our system in terms of increased productivity, as well as, safety for the environment. Davidson's progressive efforts to replace its CFC-based cleaning systems with environmentally safe aqueous cleaning systems should be applauded. Vitronics Corporation is working with many companies in a variety of industries to replace their current CFC-based cleaning systems with our aqueous and semi-aqueous cleaning systems. In addition, Vitronics Corporation has just completed record consecutive three-month bookings with with over $5.5 million in bookings during the three-month period ended July 31, 1990."

Vitronics Corporation is a rapidly growing supplier of state-of-the- art thermal processing and associated equipment, with an established reputation as an innovator and leader in the surface mount industry. VITRONICS' equipment is primarily aimed at the huge electronics industry and has achieved considerable technical recognition in the production of printed circuit boards. The company also supplies equipment to the medical, chemical, pharmaceutical, plastics, graphics and textile industries.

VITRONICS' customer list includes all 20 of the largest electronics companies with IBM, AT&, Hewlett Packard, Delco Electronics, Chrysler, Compaq Computer and Motorola among the grouping.

CONTACT: Elliot Katzman, vice president-finance or Edward Richards, vice president sales and marketing, of Vitronics Corporation, 603-659-6550.

-30- 2700

#90226p5006 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODBRIDGE, NJ (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - GR Foods, Inc. (AMEX: GRX) today reported net income of $432,000 for the three months ended June 30, 1990, on sales of $83,138,000, compared with net income of $1,049,000, on sales of $50,662,000 for the comparable 1989 period. Earnings per share for the quarter were 7 cents compared with 29 cents.

The lower reported earnings are primarily due to a significant loss in the company's tuna division resulting from disruption in the U.S. tuna market caused by the move to dolphin-safe tuna. The Ground Round restaurant chain continues to perform well with increased profits and same store sales.

Losses in the tuna division are expected to continue over the next several months as the U.S. tuna industry adjusts to dolphin-safe tuna. As a result the company now expects that net income for 1990 will be below that reported for 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net income was $1,728,000, or 27 cents per share, on sales of $173,908,000 compared with $1,998,000, or 56 cents per share, on sales of $108,313,000 for the comparable 1989 period.

GR Foods, Inc. is a diversified food company with businesses in restaurants and food products.

GR FOODS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
(Consolidated, in thousands, except per share data)

Periods ended:	Three months		Six months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 83,138	$ 50,662	$173,908	$108,313

Operating income	3,058	3,273	7,669	6,672
Net income	432	1,049	1,728	1,998
Earnings per share	$.07	$.29	$.27	$.56
Average shares outstanding	6,465	3,605	6,467	3,560

CONTACT: Diana Burton of GR Foods, 201-750-1122.

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#90226p5008 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAMILTON, BERMUDA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Nord Pacific Limited (NASDAQ: NORPF) announced today that its net loss for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, was $1,786,000 or $.60 per share and its net loss for the two quarters ended June 30, 1990 was $3,841,000 or $1.29 per share. Comparatively, for the second quarter of 1989 the net loss was $302,000 or $.10 per share and for the first two quarters of 1989 the loss was $874,000 or $.29 per share. Lower gold prices, increased production costs and continued exploration and development activities contributed to the higher losses for the respective periods.

Nord Pacific Limited is incorporated under the laws of Bermuda and is engaged in gold mining in Australia and in exploration for precious metals base metals and strategic minerals in Australia, Papua New Guinea and North America. At the Kurara gold mine in Western Australia, Pacific has an open pit mine in operation in which it has a 65 percent interest. On the Tabar Islands located in Papua New Guinea, drilling and feasibility studies are continuing on several gold deposits.

In Eastern Australia, Pacific has a promising copper project (Girilambone) in the advanced exploration stage and has recently engaged Minproc Engineers Pty. Ltd. to perform a mining feasibility study. Pacific also owns a 72.35 percent interest in a major deposit of the strategic minerals chromite, cobalt and nickel located near the Ramu River, Papua New Guinea. A U.S. subsidiary company, Hicor Corporation, based in Albuquerque, N.M., conducts North American exploration.

NORD PACIFIC LIMITED

A summary of the consolidated statement of earnings follows:

	Quarter Ended June 30		Two Quarters Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,445,000	$3,282,000	$4,060,000	$6,005,000
Net (loss)	$(1,786,000)	$(302,000)	$(3,841,000)	$(874,000)
Net (loss) per share	$(.60)	$(.10)	$(1.29)	$(.29)

CONTACT: Pierce Carson, president, or James Rosel, vice president, 505-884-8446, both of Nord Pacific Limited

-30- 2391
#90226p5009 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Dyansen Corporation (NASDAQ: DYAN) today reported record revenues and profits for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

For the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, net sales increased 32 percent to a record $14.4 million compared to the $10.9 million during the same period one year ago. Net income rose 203 percent to $1,212,000, or $0.21 per share on a primary share basis ($0.18 per share on a fully diluted basis), compared to the $400,000, or $0.07 per share on a primary and fully diluted basis for the second quarter of 1989. In a preliminary earnings release issued on June 28, the company announced estimated sales for the second quarter of $13 million and $0.11 to $0.13 per share. The substantial increase from preliminary estimates is the result of higher than anticipated shipments at the end of the quarter, combined with the benefit of our cost reduction program.

Net sales for the six month period of 1990 increased 19 percent to a record $23.6 million compared to the $19.9 million reported for the same period in 1989. Net income for the six months rose 92 percent to a record $1,250,000, or $0.22 per primary share ($0.19 per fully diluted share), compared to $650,000 or $0.12 per share on a primary and fully diluted basis for the same period in 1989.

Harris Shapiro, chairman and chief executive officer, commenting on the favorable results, stated, "Sales and net earnings for the quarter and six month period were the highest in the Company's history, as was the backlog of unfilled open orders, which exceeded $10 million at the end of the period."

He attributed these strong gains primarily to increased sales of Erte artwork, which resulted in an increase in same store sales for the second quarter of 1990 of approximately 32 percent over the second quarter of 1989. Erte, the world-renowned artist who for more than nine years had been Dyansen's leading artist, died in April at the age of ninety-seven. Contributions of Dyansen's newest retail location in the Taj Mahal in Atlantic City also favorably impacted the quarter.

In addition, he noted that the implementation of a cost reduction program was an important contributor to the company's record first half performance. He noted that selling, general and administrative expenses declined to 48 percent of revenues, from 52 percent one year earlier. He also pointed to Dyansen's strengthened financial position at the end of the quarter. "Increased sales and cash flow has enabled the company to reduce long term debt by $4 million during the second quarter," remarked

Shapiro.

Looking forward, Shapiro stated that the company does not expect the first half performance to be indicative of the results for the remainder of the year. The company's backlog of unfilled orders stood at $10.3 million at the end of the quarter, which should provide momentum for the third quarter. However, new orders for July have been weak as a result of the sluggish economy.

Dyansen is the largest publicly owned retailer of fine art with 90 percent of its revenues being generated at its 14 retail locations throughout the United States.

DYANSEN CORPORATION
(Dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

Three months ended June 30,	1990	1989
Sales	$14,426	$10,910
Income before taxes	$ 1,950	$ 690
Net income	$ 1,212	$ 400
Net income per share:		
Primary	$ .21	$ .07
Fully diluted	$ .18	$ .07
Weighted average shares outstanding:		
Primary	5,671	5,651
Fully diluted	7,041	5,651
Six months ended June 30,	1990	1989
Sales	$23,611	$19,920
Income before taxes	$ 2,017	$ 1,115
Net income	$ 1,250	$ 650
Net income per share:		
Primary	$ .22	$ .12
Fully diluted	$ .19	$ .12
Weighted average shares outstanding:		
Primary	5,681	5,571
Fully diluted	6,783	5,571

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WATERTOWN, MA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - American Superconductor Corp. (ASC) today announced an agreement with Inco Alloys International (IAI) for joint development of the metal alloys it uses as a base material in manufacturing flexible ceramic superconductor wires.

IAI, a division of Inco Ltd. (NYSE: N), is the world's largest processor of nickel-based alloys. Materials it develops with ASC (known technically as metallic precursors) are converted into ceramics via ASC's process. Under the right conditions, these ceramics become superconductors -- materials that conduct electricity with no resistance.

ASC's proprietary manufacturing process produces ceramics that, in contrast to their normally brittle form, are highly flexible and still retain their electrical properties. The durability of superconducting wires created in this process means they can be incorporated in a wide variety of applications, such as electric motors or magnetic coils. ASC has manufactured coils purchased by private industry and government organizations.

Funding for the multimillion dollar development work is being provided by Inco Ltd. and its subsidiary, IAI; Inco also has made an equity investment in ASC. Additional details of the agreement were not disclosed.

Under the partnership, ASC and IAI will develop metallic precursors, and will establish worldwide manufacturing operations over the next several years. The arrangement effectively extends a collaborative research effort the two firms established in 1988.

IAI has manufacturing facilities in England and the U.S., and has sales and marketing representation throughout the world to support applications in the aerospace, electronic, marine, power and chemical industries. IAI uses its strong position in technology and materials innovation to expand into new areas of materials and process development to develop new high-value-added business.

American Superconductor Corporation creates and develops materials and manufacturing processes for making flexible ceramic superconducting wires -- a class of materials that are exceptionally efficient at conducting electricity and in producing magnetic energy. ASC manufactures a broad range of ceramic superconductors, marketing them worldwide in the form of wires and electromagnetic coils for use in commercial and defense applications such as electric motors, power cables and magnetic devices.

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MT. HOLLY, N.J. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Franklin Electronic Publishers Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FPUB) announced today an agreement with the Oxford University Press for the exclusive rights worldwide to publish the Concise

English/Chinese Chinese/English dictionary in hand-held electronic form.

"This agreement marks another step for Franklin in securing the most renowned and authoritative reference works available," said Peter N. Yianilos, president, Franklin Electronic Publishers. "We are honored to enter into another license arrangement with Oxford University Press, and through the license establish ties with Commercial Press, the largest dictionary publisher in mainland China. Franklin's renowned search and retrieval technology will transform the print work into a compact, easy-to-use, all-in-one reference tool."

"The electronic English/Chinese Chinese/English bilingual dictionary will provide definitions, phonetic spelling correction and grammatical information. It will serve well the needs of businesspeople, students and consumers," said Simon Murison-Bowie, director of Electronic Publishing and Development, Oxford University Press.

"Oxford University Press has established a worldwide reputation as the publisher of authoritative reference works and as such is happy to be working with Franklin Electronic Publishers who have demonstrated their concern for and commitment to quality.

"The opportunities provided by electronic reference tools are exciting and we intend to play a full role in developing this market."

Franklin Electronic Publishers Inc. is the creator and leader of the electronic reference product category. With more than 3 million volumes sold throughout the world, Franklin publishes a library of 20 of the world's most accurate, authoritative and scholarly reference products including the popular Spelling Ace(R) spelling corrector, Wordmaster(TM) electronic thesaurus, Language Master(TM) electronic dictionary, Spanish Master/Maestro Ingles bilingual dictionary and electronic Holy Bible. Franklin's publication list is being broadened to include hand-held electronic versions of "The Concise Columbia Encyclopedia" and "Bartlett's Familiar Quotations."

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#90226p5019 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Imagine Films Entertainment, Inc. (NASDAQ: IFEI, IFEIU, IFEIW), today announced increased revenues and profits for the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990. Results for both periods were as follows (all amounts in thousands, except per share data):

Selected Financial Data

Three months ended June 30	1990	1989
Net revenues	$14,515	$5,900
Net income (loss)	$420	($231)
Net income (loss) per share	$.08	($.04)
Nine months ended June 30	1990	1989
Net revenues	$36,743	$10,980
Net income (loss)	$1,882	($865)
Net income (loss) per share	$.36	($.16)

Commenting on these results, Brian Grazer and Ron Howard, co-chief executive officers of Imagine, said, "Our third quarter results continue the positive trend from fiscal 1989, with revenues and profits reflecting the exploitation of our first five films, 'The 'Burbs,' 'The Dream Team,' 'Parenthood,' 'Opportunity Knocks,' and 'Cry Baby,' as well as our involvement in other films, including the recent hit comedy, 'Problem Child.' This film, which was produced with Universal Pictures and stars John Ritter and Jack Warden, has grossed over $31 million at domestic theaters in only 17 days of release. We are now in production on two promising films: 'Kindergarten Cop' and 'Backdraft.'"

"Kindergarten Cop," starring Arnold Schwarzenegger, is the story of a tough cop who reluctantly goes undercover as a kindergarten teacher to catch a dangerous killer. The movie is being produced by Brian Grazer and Ivan Reitman, who is also directing. "Backdraft" is a supenseful drama about a young man who joins the Chicago Fire Department to regain the respect of his family and gets involved in the investigation of a deadly arsonist. The film is being directed by Ron Howard and executive produced by Brian Grazer. Kurt Russell, William Baldwin, Scott Glenn, Robert DeNiro, Jennifer Jason Leigh, Rebecca De Mornay and Donald Sutherland are starring in "Backdraft."

Imagine is also involved in a production by Carolco Pictures, "The Doors," a film biography of Jim Morrison and The Doors. The film is being directed by Oliver Stone and executive produced by Brian Grazer.

Imagine Television, L.P., the television production partnership formed with MCA, Inc., in 1988, is currently producing for NBC-TV a half-hour series titled "Parenthood," based on Imagine's critically acclaimed hit motion picture. The series is scheduled to air in the Fall of 1990, with a pilot premiere on Aug. 20. The partnership's innovative late-night talk strip, "My Talk Show," which is scheduled for first-run syndication in Fall 1990, has already been bought by television stations covering over 80 percent of U.S. television households. The program is being produced by the partnership in association with Second City Entertainment and is being distributed by MCA TV.

In addition, the partnership has received a seven-episode commitment from

NBC-TV for an untitled comedy, a pilot commitment from the Fox Broadcasting Company, and a commitment from MTV's newly formed "Ha!" commedy channel for a half-hour comedy sketch variety series featuring the Second City comedy group.

Imagine Films Entertainment is an independent producer of feature films. It also produces television programming through its partnership with MCA, Inc., Imagine Television, L.P. The company was founded in November 1985 by its co-chief executives, producer Brian Grazer and director Ron Howard, and went public in July 1986.

IMAGINE FILMS ENTERTAINMENT, INC., AND SUBSIDIARIES
Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except per share data)

Periods ended	Quarter		Nine Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$14,515	$ 5,900	$36,743	$10,980
Less: costs and exps.	14,012	5,922	34,521	11,615
Income (loss) before share of partnership loss, provision for income taxes and extraordinary credit	503	(22)	2,222	(635)
Share of partnership loss (A)	(27)	(209)	(64)	(230)
Income (loss) before income taxes and extraordinary credit	476	(231)	2,158	(865)
Provision for inc. taxes	(196)	--	(916)	--
Income (loss) before extraordinary credit	280	(231)	1,242	(865)
Extraord. credit (B)	140	--	640	--
Net income (loss)	$ 420	$ (231)	$ 1,882	$ (865)
Per common share: Income (loss) before extraordinary credit	$0.05	$(0.04)	$0.24	$(0.16)
Extraord. credit (B)	0.03	--	0.12	--
Net income (loss)	$0.08	$(0.04)	$0.36	$(0.16)

(A) -- Television Limited Partnership: On March 30, 1988, Imagine entered into a limited partnership with MCA, Inc., to develop and produce all types of television programming (network, cable, syndicated). Imagine expects that substantially all of its television activities and related costs will be borne by the partnership. The investment in the limited partnership is accounted for under the equity method.

(B) -- Extraordinary Credit: Extraordinary credit is due to the utilization of tax loss carryforward for federal income tax purposes.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - CRSS Capital, Inc., a majority owned subsidiary of CRSS Inc., (NYSE: CRX), announced that it has executed agreements with G.A.S. Orange Development, Inc. to be managing general partner of Project Orange Associates, L.P., the owner and operator of an 80 MW cogeneration project to be located at Syracuse University. As Managing General Partner, CRSS Capital has agreed to invest up to $35.5 million in equity. Budgeted at a total cost of $210.5 million, the facility will supply 80 MW of electric power to Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. (NYSE: NMK) and steam to Syracuse University. The facility will be built by Becon Construction Company using 2LM-5000 gas turbine generators supplied by Stewart and Stevenson Services Inc. (NASDAQ: SSSS).

The project budget includes a prepurchase of 120,000,000 MMBTU of natural gas from Noranda Inc. which will meet the projects fuel needs for a 16 year period. Noranda will transport natural gas for the project through Canadian pipelines to Niagara Falls, N.Y. Tennessee Gas Pipeline, a subsidiary of Tenneco, Inc., (NYSE: TGT), will transport the project's natural gas from Niagara Falls to Syracuse, N.Y. The Federal Regulatory Commission is currently reviewing the project's natural gas transportation agreements as part of the Niagara Import Point Projects Phase 3 (NIPS 3). Final approval is expected within 90 days.

CRSS Capital also announced that definitive commitments for construction and term financing have been executed with Algemene Bank Nederland N.V. The plant is expected to close financing in the fall of 1990 and will begin Commercial Operation in early 1992.

Houston-based, CRSS, through its subsidiaries, is one of the most diversifies and largest design and construction services companies in the nation. CRSS Capital, Inc., an 85 percent owned subsidiary, currently maintains ownership in five operating power and cogeneration projects aggregating 434 MW and representing a capital investment in excess of $360 million. CRSS has also expanded through its interest in NaTec Resources Inc. into the acid rain pollution control market.

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#90226p5026 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - James D. Roy, president of the Federal

Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, announced today that Iron and Glass Bank, Pittsburgh, is the first commercial bank in Pittsburgh to join the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh.

Prior to the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA), Federal Home Loan Bank System membership was limited to traditional home-finance lenders -- thrift institutions, as well as certain types of insurance companies. Post-FIRREA, eligibility was expanded to include commercial banks and credit unions that have a significant commitment to home-mortgage finance. Iron and Glass joins an ever-growing list of commercial banks across the country to become members in the Federal Home Loan Bank System.

To gain entry in the Federal Home Loan Banks, qualifying financial institutions must have at least 10 percent of total assets in residential mortgage loans, satisfy safety-and-soundness criteria, and demonstrate management and lending policies consistent with economical home financing.

Iron and Glass commenced operation as a state-chartered commercial bank in 1871. As of June 30, 1990, total assets were $116 million, with residential mortgage loans amounting to $13 million, 12 percent of total assets. Total deposits were $101 million, and net income was $768,000 for the six months.

Iron and Glass' lending programs include residential, construction, commercial, consumer loans and direct leasing of autos and equipment. Deposits are insured by FDIC. In addition to its main office in Pittsburgh's Southside, Iron and Glass operates four full-service branch offices in Pittsburgh and surrounding communities.

Iron and Glass joins nearly 200 other financial institutions that are stockholders of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, in the states of Delaware, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. First National Bank of Keystone, Keystone, W.Va., which joined the Pittsburgh bank last month, was the first commercial bank to join, since the passage of FIRREA.

The Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, on June 30, 1990, had assets of $5.7 billion. The bank's economical funding and operating services are available to qualifying institutions engaged in residential mortgage financing, including thrifts, banks, credit unions and other financial institutions. Owned by its members, the bank is one of 12 regional banks, which together with the Federal Housing Finance Board, compose the Federal Home Loan Bank System.

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#90226p5027 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Transcontinental Realty Investors (NYSE: TCI) today announced the results of its annual meeting of shareholders which was completed on Aug. 10, 1990. Shareholders approved the incorporation of the trust into a Delaware corporation, approved the advisory agreement with National Realty Advisors, Inc. and approved the nominees for the board of directors.

"We are particularly pleased that we can now operate as a Delaware corporation," said a spokesperson for the trust. "This will allow Transcontinental Realty to continue actively managing and improving the real estate and mortgage portfolios."

Transcontinental Realty Investors is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

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#90226p5028 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOWELL, MA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Wang Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: WAN) today announced that Ken Olisa has been elected to the office of senior vice president in charge of operations in Europe, Africa, and the Middle East. Since March 1990, Olisa has served as interim vice president and general manager for Europe, Africa and the Middle East and has been responsible for all sales and marketing activites in these geographic areas.

Richard W. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Since I joined Wang last August, I have asked Ken to help in three important areas of our business: initially, as head of worldwide marketing, then as head of our newly organized applications engineering group, and since March, as head of our Europe, Africa, and Middle East theater. In each of these roles, Ken has performed well. Additionally, last December he led the roll-out of Wang's new technology strategy entitled "Innovation on Standards".

"Ken's promotion to senior vice president is in recognition of these important contributions. I believe that Ken is already off to an excellent start as head of our Europe, Africa, and Middle East operations and I am confident of his future success in that role."

Olisa said, "The European, African, and Middle Eastern markets are being transformed as a result of wholesale social, political, and economic change. Wang Laboratories is prepared to provide our cusotmers in these regions the information processing solutions they will need to maintain

their competitive advantage in a dynamic and volatile world."

Prior to his current assignment, Olisa served as vice president for applications engineering, the organization that develops specialized applications and solutions for customers in key industries that Wang serves, and as vice president for U.S. and then worldwide marketing. Olisa has also been district sales manager for London, United Kingdom marketing manager, and director of marketing for Europe, Africa and the Middle East.

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#90226p5029 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Hadson Corporation (NYSE: HAD) today announced the pending sale of its two subsidiaries involved in the defense electronics business (HRB Systems, Inc., and Ultrasystems Defense, Inc.). Therefore, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, Hadson is treating these businesses as discontinued operations and has recorded the loss estimated upon completion of the sales. This accounting treatment results in a loss for the three months ended June 30, 1990, of $146,758,000. This amount includes losses of $1,050,000 related to the operations of the defense companies and an estimated loss of $142,529,000 from the sale of the companies.

Hadson is currently negotiating the sale of Ultrasystems Defense, Inc. In addition, Hadson has also recently received bids for the purchase of HRB Systems, Inc., and is currently evaluating those bids. Both of these transactions are subject to the negotiation of definitive agreements; however, Hadson hopes to close both transactions within the next 90 days.

Results from continuing operations amounted to a loss of $3,179,000 on revenues of $106,511,000 for the second quarter of 1990 as compared to earnings of $79,000 on revenues of $130,206,000 for the same period of 1989. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the loss from continuing operations amounted to $1,763,000 on revenues of $245,004,000 vs. earnings of $1,584,000 on revenues of $314,638,000 for the first six months of 1989.

Hadson president and chief operating officer, J. Michael Adcock, said, "The sales of the defense units are a very important step in Hadson's program to reduce long-term debt and concentrate on our core energy businesses. Given the current defense market environment, we are very pleased with the results of the sales process. Despite the losses we are currently recognizing, these transactions will position Hadson as a stronger and more stable company. Even though Hadson now has a negative book equity, the tangible book-value of Hadson has increased because of the write-off of the goodwill related to the defense companies."

Hadson Corporation is an independent producer and supplier of energy products as well as an electric power services firm. Hadson has operations in natural gas and gas liquids; the development, construction, operation and ownership of electric power generation facilities.

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#90226p5031 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Analysts International Corporation (NASDAQ: ANLY) today reported record net income of $5,991,000, up 21 percent from the previous year's $4,954,000. Net income amounted to $1.29 per share, compared with $1.09 per share in the previous fiscal year.

Revenues were a record $107,843,000, compared with $89,852,000 in 1989, a gain of 20 percent.

"We continued to emphasize internal growth during the year, with the result that most of our gains came from expanded market share in our existing markets," said Frederick W. Lang, chairman and chief executive officer. "We also established four new branches during the year, extending our branch network to 22 cities."

Lang said the company's pre-tax margin was basically unchanged at 9.2 percent for the year. He also said the company's staff, most of whom are billable technical personnel, expanded to 1,700 at year end, up from 1,500 a year earlier.

In the fourth quarter, the company earned $1,835,000, equal to 39 cents per share, compared with 1989's $1,491,000, equal to 33 cents per share. The fourth quarter pre-tax margin was 10.4 percent, as compared with 9.9 percent in 1989. Revenues were $28,737,000, up from $24,668,000 in the fourth quarter of the previous year.

Analysts International Corporation is a Minneapolis-based computer software services company.

ANALYSTS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

	Three Months Ended June 30,		12 Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$28,737,000	$24,668,000	$107,843,000	$89,852,000
Income before taxes	2,983,000	2,432,000	9,882,000	8,404,000
Income taxes	1,148,000	941,000	3,891,000	3,450,000

Net income	1,835,000	1,491,000	5,991,000	4,954,000
Net income per share	$.39	$.33	$1.29	$1.09
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	4,685,000	4,587,000	4,646,000	4,562,000

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#90226p5033 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVINGSTON, N.J. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - William P. Tuggle, III, has assumed the position of chairman and chief executive officer of the Howard Savings Bank (NASDAQ: HWRD).

Tuggle was selected for the top job at the Howard on July 23 by the board of directors. His appointment has been approved by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), the regulatory authority that supervises state-chartered savings banks.

The Howard's new chairman was previously a director, president and chief executive officer of First Fidelity Bank, N.A. of New Jersey, where he was also a director and senior executive vice president of the parent company, First Fidelity Bancorporation.

Commenting to Howard employees today, Tuggle said that he is pleased and excited about joining the bank and is eager to face the challenges and opportunities ahead.

"These are difficult times for the Howard and for the financial service industry in general given the state of the economy today, especially the real estate markets," he told the bank's 1,500 staff members, adding "it is our job to take whatever steps are necessary to return the bank to profitability."

Tuggle said that it is important to continue building on the bank's strengths -- its branch system, good name and the expertise and dedication of employees.

"Having been active in the New Jersey banking business for a number of years," he commented, "I can tell you that the Howard's name has long been synonymous with quality and integrity, and I believe it is our responsibility, yours and mine, to continue that fine record of service."

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#90226p5034 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

AVON, MASS. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Kiddie Products, Inc. (OTC) reported sales for the first six months of 1990 were $17,724,745 as compared to $15,373,544 for the similar period last year. Net income was $815,394 as compared to $604,525 for the first six months of 1989. Earnings per share, based on the average number of shares outstanding in each period (374,710 in 1990 and 1989), were $2.18 for the first six months of 1990 and $1.61 for the similar period last year.

Net sales and net income for the first six months of 1990 were the highest in the company's history. Enthusiastic trade and consumer response to the introduction of 34 new products, plus an aggressive sales effort, have combined to fuel the growth.

KIDDIE PRODUCTS, INC.
Interim Operating Report

	Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net sales	$17,724,745	$15,373,544
Income before taxes on income	1,358,494	974,825
Provision for taxes on income	543,100	370,300
Net income	$815,394	$604,525
Earnings per share of common stock	$2.18	$1.61
Average number of shares outstanding	374,710	374,710

	Three Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net sales	$9,222,018	$8,173,453
Income before taxes on income	775,613	611,518
Provision for taxes on income	310,650	239,900
Net income	$464,963	$371,618
Earnings per share of common stock	$1.24	99 cents
Average number of shares outstanding	374,710	374,710

NOTE: Unaudited and subject to year-end adjustment.

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#90226p5035 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Charles M. Mayr, 34, has joined Sterling

Drug Inc. as assistant director, external communications, according to John H. Wood, vice president, public affairs.

Mayr has general communications responsibilities with emphasis on media relations and communicating Sterling's Strategic Framework management process and its Values in Action program to external audiences. He reports to Terry G. Kelley, director, external communications.

Mayr has more than 12 years experience in journalism, public relations and communications. Most recently, he served as communications manager, UGI Corporation, Valley Forge, Pa. Previously, he was news director of radio station WEOK in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. (1977- 80), and managing editor with Knowledge Industry Publications, Inc. in White Plains (1981-82). From 1982 to 1988 he held increasingly more responsible positions from editor to manager, public relations, with Timeplex, Inc. in Woodcliff Lake, N.J.

Mayr graduated from New York University in 1978 with a BA degree in journalism, with a minor in English. He currently is a resident of Malvern, Pa.

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#90226p5036 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Tecogen Inc. (AMEX: TGN) has received a $700,000 order to convert 10 California school buses to compressed natural gas (CNG). The bus chassis will be modified to operate with CNG tanks and the Tecodrive(tm) 7000 natural gas-fueled engine.

The ongoing program to develop these buses has been sponsored by the California Energy Commission and a consortium of California utilities including Southern California Gas Company, San Diego Gas & Electric, and Pacific Gas & Electric Company. The bus chassis have been supplied by General Motors, and the bus bodies will be assembled by the Blue Bird Body Company, the country's largest manufacturer of school buses.

This program is part of a statewide effort in California to replace older school buses with safer, cleaner vehicles. These buses are expected to begin actual service in early 1991, carrying students in several different California school districts.

"We are very please to have received this order as a follow-on to the CNG work we have already completed on two other school buses," said Dr. Ravinder K. Sakhuja, president and chief executive officer of Tecogen. "Those buses are now being readied for additional testing with one on the way to Buffalo, New York, and the other to California for further emissions testing."

Tecogen Inc. manufactures, markets and services packaged cogeneration and commercial cooling systems fueled principally by natural gas. The company also conducts research and development on low-emission natural gas engines for vehicles; pump, compressor, and electric generator drives; as well as advanced systems for clean-coal combustion and other high-efficiency gas-fueled devices. Tecogen is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

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#90226p5037 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was issued by the Communications Workers of America:

Members of the Communications Workers of America (CWA) Local 2177, employed by Western Union, will hold a demonstration at the company's District of Columbia office located at the corner of 14th and H streets N.W. today, Tuesday, Aug. 14, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The union members are protesting the company's lock-out of 2,500 employees in a contract dispute and its hiring of replacement workers. Local 2177 represents about 150 Western Union workers in D.C., Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia.

Western Union is attempting to thwart the collective bargaining process by "selectively" locking-out employees. As a result, CWA filed unfair labor practice charges with the National Labor Relations Board on Monday (Aug. 13).

"The union has done everything possible to attempt to reach a reasonable and equitable settlement," maintained CWA President Morton Bahr. "But the company, acting in a bizarre and reckless manner, has frustrated efforts on our part to reach an agreement and is costing its shareholders millions in lost business."

The union contract covering some 2,500 Western Union employees expired at midnight on Aug. 6. CWA and the company continued to bargain past the contract expiration. The union laid out a proposal at the bargaining table early on Friday evening, but rather than responding to the proposal, the company told the union that within minutes employees would be locked-out.

"We were working towards a settlement when Western Union management acted in this totally irresponsible and inappropriate manner," Bahr said. "They have tossed out hundreds of skilled, dedicated, experienced workers

and brought in a group of minor leaguers, with a few hours of training who flat-out don't know how to do the jobs. The lost business will cost this company millions."

Part of the union's charges stem from the fact that the company has imposed a "selective" lock-out. Not all employees have been temporarily replaced. Service and business representatives, administrative clerks and a handful of technicians have been kept on the job.

"This idea of a 'selective' lock-out adds a whole new dimension to labor/management relations," Bahr declared. "From day-one they have issued a series of ultimatums and that's not how the collective bargaining process works. But we have stayed at the table and on the job in an effort to work this out and are prepared to continue to do so."

CONTACT: Dick Brockert, 301-345-5464 (College Park), or Steve Rosenthal, 202-728-2390, both of the Communications Workers of America.

-30- 2903

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WILMINGTON, DEL. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Airgas Inc. (NYSE: ARG) has announced that it entered into a new $165 million senior bank credit agreement.

The new credit agreement replaces the prior $100 million bank credit agreement and will be used to fund the company's acquisition program and working capital.

Peter McCausland, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "The strategic acquisition program is accelerating and the new revolving credit agreement will handle this increased activity."

Airgas has acquired more than 50 industrial gas distributors since March 31, 1988, with annual sales of approximately $200 million.

Airgas Inc., with annual sales of approximately $320 million, is the largest independent distributor of industrial, medical and specialty gases in the United States with more than 225 locations in 29 states and Canada.

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-30- 1112

#90226p5041 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - In view of yesterday's power failure in lower Manhattan which adversely affected the ability of shareholders to tender their shares by physical delivery of certificates, FLGI Acquisition

Corp., a corporation formed by Forstmann Little & Co., announced today that it has extended until 5 p.m., New York City time, today, Aug. 14, 1990, its cash tender offer for all outstanding shares of common stock of General Instrument Corporation (NYSE: GRL) at $44.50 per share. The offer was previously set to expire on Monday, Aug. 13, 1990.

FLGI Acquisition Corp. was advised by the depositary for the tender offer that as of midnight, New York City time, on Monday, Aug. 13, 1990, approximately 29,761,491 shares of General Instrument common stock (or approximately 95.8 percent of the outstanding General Instrument shares) had been validly tendered and no withdrawn. Of the total number of General Instrument shares tendered, 24,610,747 shares (or approximately 79.2 percent of the outstanding shares) were tendered by physical delivery of certificates and 5,150,744 shares were tendered by notices of guaranteed delivery (or approximately 16.6 percent of the outstanding shares).

CONTACT: John Scanlon of General Instrument, 212-704-8126 or Jim Long of D.F. King, 212-269-5550, for General Instrument

-30- 1538

#90226p5045 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Handy & Harman (NYSE: HNH) today announced results for the second quarter and first half of 1990.

Earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $2,494,000, or $.18 per share. In the same 1989 period, Handy & Harman reported earnings of $2,478,000, or $.18 per share. Sales for the quarter were $148,661,000 versus a restated $151,948,000 in the same three months of 1989.

For the first half of 1990, Handy & Harman had earnings of $4,983,000 or $.36 per share, versus $5,402,000, or $.39 per share, in the comparable first half of 1989. Sales were $289,313,000 compared to a restated $313,305,000 for first half of 1990.

Sales for both the 1989 and 1990 periods were restated reflecting the June 1, 1990 transfer of the automotive replacement segment to a 50/50 joint venture partnership named GO/DAN Industries.

Handy & Harman, a leading fabricator, processor and refiner of precious metals, also produces a variety of specialty metal products for industrial uses through over thirty subsidiaries here and abroad. Founded in 1867, Handy & Harman is headquartered in New York.

HANDY & HARMAN AND SUBSIDIARIES

Periods ended:	Quarter		Six months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989

Net sales (A)	$148,661,000	$151,948,000	$289,313,000	$313,305,000
Earns. before income taxes	4,394,000	4,178,000	8,583,000	9,052,000
Net income	2,494,000	2,478,000	4,983,000	5,402,000
Net income per share	$.18	$.18	$.36	$.39
Avg. number of shares outstg.	13,970,000	13,941,000	13,964,000	13,935,000

(A) -- Sales for the 1989 periods and for the first quarter, 1990, were restated reflecting the transfer on June 1, 1990 of the automotive replacement segment to a 50/50 joint venture partnership named GO/DAN Industries. The investment in the joint venture is accounted for on the equity basis.

CONTACT: William Martinson, controller of Handy & Harman, 212-752-3400, or Robert W. Bloch International, 212-755-8047, for Handy & Harman

-30- 2360

#90226p5046 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Texaco Inc. (NYSE: TX) announced today that its subsidiary, Texaco Petroleum Development Company, has signed an agreement on principles of cooperation with the Ministry of Geology of the Soviet Union for proposed joint participation in the exploration, development and production of hydrocarbons -- including development of areas of identified and established oil reserves -- onshore the Soviet Union.

Texaco anticipates beginning a feasibility study this summer, focused on some areas of the Timan-Pechora region. This region is located in the Northern European part of the Soviet Union. These areas have high prospects for exploration, and the development of oil and gas fields with reserves estimated to be well in excess of five billion barrels of oil. Texaco is studying information provided by the Ministry relating to the oil and gas resources of these areas and their infrastructure.

Negotiations would also proceed toward detailing a joint venture project for this region. Exploration and development in the proposed joint venture would be carried out primarily by the Soviet personnel, supplemented by Texaco technical experts.

The new "agreement for principles of cooperation" is broad in scope and also provides for study of potential operations in other regions of the Soviet Union.

"Texaco has an interest in pursuing the many business opportunities emerging in the Soviet Union," said Paul B. Hicks, Jr., president of

Texaco Europe. "The Timan-Pechora region holds significant potential for early production, and for the ultimate development of world-class fields."

As part of the agreement, Texaco will organize seminars for specialists of the Ministry of Geology, dealing both with technical and economic aspects of exploration and development of oil and gas deposits.

On May 24, 1990, Texaco announced that its subsidiary, Texaco Europe Research Inc., signed an agreement for research cooperation with VNIIZARUBEZHGEOLOGIA, the All-Union Research Institute of the Ministry of Geology of the Soviet Union. As part of that agreement, Texaco and Institute personnel will process geophysical and geological data for the assessment of oil and gas potential in Soviet and other basins.

The agreement announced today together with the agreement for research cooperation with VNIIZARUBEZHGEOLOGIA, which specifically provided for the delivery and installation of computer facilities in VNIIZARUBEZHGEOLOGIA's new Moscow building, are important steps in developing cooperation between Texaco and Soviet geological organizations.

CONTACT: Michael Reiter, 914-253-6170, or Anita Larsen, 914-253-4155, both of Texaco

-30- 2906

#90226p5047 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FLA. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - RoTech Medical Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ROTC), a marketer and distributor of home care products, announced its signing of the agreement of purchase between itself and American Medical Technologies, Inc. Such agreement, made pursuant to a letter of intent signed June 1, 1990, is for purchase of substantially all of the assets of American Medical Technologies, Inc.

The primary asset acquired is a home infusion company headquartered in Houston, which has service locations in Houston, Dallas and Beaumont, Texas; Philadelphia; Reno, Nev. and Longwood, Fla; Its net revenues for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989 were in excess of $6 million.

The agreement of purchase, which is subject to regulatory approval and the approval of American Medical Technologies, Inc.'s shareholders, calls for an initial payment of 675,000 shares of RoTech Medical Corporation common stock. In addition, the agreement provides for additional shares to be issued if certain performance levels are obtained for the periods ending July 31, 1991 and 1992.

It is anticipated that with this acquisition, home infusion annual net revenues for RoTech Medical Corporation will exceed $10 million and will represent over half of the total net revenues for RoTech Medical

Corporation. This acquisition by RoTech Medical Corporation and its continued expansion and growth in the home infusion market, reflect RoTech Medical Corporation's commitment to home infusion therapy.

CONTACT: Stephen P. Griggs of RoTech Medical Corporation, 407-841-2115

-30- 1762

#90226p5048 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - MEI Diversified Inc. (NYSE: MEI) today announced a net loss for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $2,279,000 or $.12 a share, compared with a net loss of $1,350,000 or $.07 a share for the 1989 quarter. Second quarter sales were $42,196,000 in 1990 and $47,872,000 in 1989.

The six-month 1990 period had a net loss of $6,820,000 or $.36 a share compared with a net loss of $3,717,000 or $.19 a share for the first six months of 1989. Sales for the six months were $86,865,000 in 1990 and $91,781,000 in 1989.

As announced in early June the company completed sale of its Candy and Snack Group to Ezaki Glico, Co., Ltd., an Osaka, Japan- based company. The cash sale proceeds approximated $58 million and resulted in a $1,086,000 second quarter gain.

MEI will own 80 percent of the outstanding stock of the acquiring entity which will include The Glemby Company, Inc. and Subsidiaries, headquartered in New York; Essanelle Salon Co. and Maxim's, both located in Minneapolis. The remaining 20 percent of the acquiring company will be owned by Regis Corporation and affiliates, Minneapolis, the current owners of both Essanelle and Maxim's. Regis Corporation is a privately owned company, which owns and operates hairstyling and hair care salons throughout the United States and Canada, predominantly in shopping malls and department stores.

The three combined companies will have sales of approximately $400 million annually and will operates salons in the United States and Canada. The total purchase price for the combined companies will approximate $50 million cash plus the assumption of certain liabilities of the acquired entities. The initial financing will come from existing MEI company cash with refinancing with lending institutions to be subsequently arranged.

The acquisition is subject to completion of definitive agreement for each acquisition. The company anticipates consummation of the acquisition in 3rd qtr. 1990.

In addition, it was recently announced that MEI and LecTec Corporation (NASDAQ: LECT) ceased negotiations concerning an MEI investment in LecTec

as an alternative to an earlier announced MEI and LecTec plan of merger. Under the terms of the November 1989 financing provided by MEI to LecTec to acquire New Dimensions in Medicine, a unit of Baxter HealthCare Corporation, ownership of New Dimensions in Medicine will be transferred to MEI. The transfer will occur in third quarter 1990 upon formal execution of a settlement agreement.

CONTACT: James A. Cesario of MEI Diversified, 612-339-8853

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#90226p5049 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - In a month in which nine casinos reported a drop in gross revenues, the casino industry posted the second best month in its New Jersey history.

The 12 casinos reported a "win" of $286,751,520 during July, a slight decrease from the $288,434,062 recorded in July, 1989. "Win" is the amount which the casino retains after all bets have been paid off but before operating expenses and other extraordinary costs have been paid. "Win" does not represent profit.

The state collected $22,603,755 in taxes during July to defray the cost of programs for senior citizens and handicapped persons. Thus far this year the state has collected $135,749,343.

Programs funded by the casino taxes include real estate tax rebates, lifeline assistance programs, transportation aid, pharmaceutical assistance, and various programs for shut-ins.

Thus far this year the industry has reported gross revenues of $1,719,498,713, a 3.9 percent increase over last year's $1,654,429,196 for the first seven months of the year.

During July, Taj Mahal reported revenues of $39,955,672 and reported that its "win" exceeded $1 million on 22 separate days during the month. Claridge and Sands were the only other casinos to register improvement compared with last July. Claridge grossed approximately $1.4 million more this year and Sands about $300,000 compared with last year.

Others reported revenues as follows: Caesars, $29,783,279 ($32,758,979); TropWorld, $26,250,749 ($31,584,935); Bally's Park Place, $25,339,018 ($28,812,423); Harrah's Marina, $24,127,822 ($29,267,290); Showboat, $23,410,698 ($25,565,578); Trump Plaza, $23,398,060 ($30,656,629); Sands, $21,411,719 ($21,151,506); Resorts International, $20,943,879 ($24,045,007); Trump Castle, $20,831,185 ($29,717,872); Bally's Grand, $18,118,254 ($23,130,700) and Claridge, $13,181,185 ($11,743,143).

The daily average for July was $9,250,049 compared with $9,304,325 for July of last year.

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-30- 2256

#90226p5050 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - "If you're a panhandler on the streets of New York City, you have a tougher life than your counterpart in L.A. -- you're outnumbered, it's harder to make money and people are more indifferent." This according to Los Angeles psychologist and researcher Robert R. Butterworth, Ph.D., who dressed as a bum and began Sunday to panhandle in various sections of New York to study people's reactions to beggars.

From families on a picnic in Central Park to businessmen on the way to work on Wall Street, similar patterns are evident. Due to the high number of panhandlers in New York, people have become desensitized and indifferent to beggars. "Asking for a nickel, I was able to get an average of one donation every hour in New York, compared to every fifteen minutes in L.A. -- beggars make less money in New York," said Butterworth. Although New Yorkers are more indifferent to panhandlers, they are also less hostile and not as likely to tease or make fun of people panhandling than their counterparts in L.A. Both in New York and L.A., panhandlers do not live the good life, unable to make minimum wage in either city.

Butterworth, who has been begging by day and sleeping in his rented car by night, will wind up his study this evening.

CONTACT: Robert R. Butterworth, Ph.D. of Contemporary Psychology Associates, 212-359-3719, or (after 8/15), 213-487-7339

-30- 1599

#90226p5051 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - J. C. Penney Company, Inc. (NYSE: JCP), reported today that net income in the second quarter amounted to $83 million, or 63 cents per share, down from $98 million, or 74 cents per share, in the same period in 1989.

For the first half ended July 28, 1990, net income totaled $237 million, or $1.84 per share, up from $226 million, or $1.71 per share, in the comparable period a year earlier. In 1989, earnings were impacted by a nonrecurring after tax charge of $20 million, or 16 cents per share, for discontinuing an interactive television shopping service.

"The underlying factor in the 15 percent decline in second quarter

earnings was the relatively low level of overall consumer demand," according to William R. Howell, chairman of the board. The slowdown in economic activity, he said, has had a particularly negative impact on JCPenney's sales in the Southeast and Midwest. "In addition," he noted, "as we bring our merchandise in line with an appropriate department store mix, we are temporarily giving up some volume in conservative women's sportswear.

"Neither the refining of our merchandise mix nor the costs associated with the development of new specialty businesses would be particularly felt," Howell said, "if the economic climate were more favorable. At the same time, it's important to keep in mind that these activities are essential components of our strategic repositioning process."

For the second quarter, JCPenney store and catalog gross margins were on a par with those of the prior year's period. This performance, however, was more than offset by lower margins from drug store operations and custom decorating services.

Selling, general, and administrative expenses, as a percent of retail sales, increased in both periods as a result of the lower than expected consumer demand.

Revenue and income from the company's other businesses, principally the life insurance and banking operations, were at record levels in the quarter and first half.

Looking to the future, Howell said, "One cannot ignore the significant decline in the level of consumer confidence from a year ago. Adding to the uncertainty of the outlook is the present Mideast crisis and resulting rising energy prices, which could have a negative effect on consumer spending. We will continue to keep a tight rein on costs and a close watch on inventory levels."

CONTACT: J. Duncan Muir of J.C. Penney Company, 214-591-1329

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#90226p5053 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

RIVIERA BEACH, FLA. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Consulier Engineering, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSLR) (the "company") (formerly Consulier Industries, Inc.) of Riviera Beach, Fla., announced net income of $180,294 or $.01 per common share for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 which compares to a net loss of $693,944, or $.02 per share, for the three months ended June 30, 1989.

Results of operations for the six month period ended June 30, 1990, showed a net loss of $572,955 or $.02 per share as compared to a loss of $1,191,942 or $.04 per share for the six month period ended June 30, 1989.

Additionally, the company noted that continuing operations for the six month period ended June 30, 1990 showed a net profit of $120,111.

The company pointed out that with respect to the quarterly and six month results, the company's automobile business was predominant in all of calendar year 1989. Accordingly, virtually the entire loss for the three and six months periods ended June 30, 1989 was directly related to automobile operations. Conversely, since the automobile business was sold on March 31, 1990, the three month period ended June 30, 1990, did not include any automobile activity.

Consulier Engineering, Inc.'s common stock and warrants trade on the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbols CSLR and CSLRW, repsectively.

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-30- 1596

#90226p5058 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMP HILL, PA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Keystone Health Plan Central today reported a $112,757 unaudited operating profit to the Pennsylvania Insurance Department for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

This figure contrasts with the plan's $1,287,572 operating loss for the corresponding period last year.

Operational since 1983, Keystone Health Plan Central is the prepaid HMO affiliated with Capital Blue Cross and Pennsylvania Blue Shield. Its 60,000 members work for employers in eight Central Pennsylvania and Lehigh Valley counties and receive medical care from 700-plus contracted physicians.

CONTACT: Henry Kriebel of Keystone Health Plan Central, 717-763-3267.

-30- 860

#90226p5059 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Jean Philippe Fragrances, Inc. (NASDAQ: JEAN), reported that net sales for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $1,444,199 compared to $946,903 for the quarter ended June 30, 1989, an increase of $497,296 or 53 percent.

Net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 was $62,410 compared to $29,483 for the second quarter of 1989, an increase of 112 percent.

Sales for the 6 months ended June 30, 1990 were $2,654,340 compared to $1,898,424 in the corresponding period of the prior year, an increase of

40 percent.

Net income for the first 6 months was $151,785 compared to $96,930 for the corresponding period of the prior year, an increase of 57 percent.

In announcing the results, Jean Madar, the president of Jean Philippe Fragrances, stated:

JEAN PHILIPPE FRAGRANCES, INC.

Period ended:	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,444,199	$946,903	$2,654,340	$1,898,424
Net income	62,410	29,483	151,785	96,930
Earns. per share bef. reverse stock split	$.01	--	$.02	$.01
Earns. per share(A)	$.02	$.01	$.05	$.03

(A) Restated to reflect a 2.5 for 1 reverse stock split effective Aug. 3, 1990.

CONTACT: Neil Fogel, assistant treasurer of Jean Philippe Fragrances, 212-983-2640

-30- 1639

#90226p5061 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LITTLETON, COLO. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Bingo King Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: BNGO) today reported that in the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company earned net income of $756,000 or 25 cents per share on pre-tax earnings of $1,310,000 and sales of $19.4 million. This compares with net income of $560,000 or 18 cents per share on pre-tax earnings of $907,000 and sales of $17.1 million for the like period in the prior year.

For the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, the company earned net income of $406,000 or 13 cents per share on pre-tax earnings of $706,000 and record quarter sales of $9.8 million. This compares with net income of $282,000 or 9 cents per share on pre-tax earnings of $458,000 and sales of $8.8 million for the like period in the prior year.

Leonard A. Stuart, chairman and chief executive officer of Bingo King, stated that "the strong performance during the first six months of 1990 was primarily the result of the successful implementation of a program formulated in late 1989 and early 1990 designed to revitalize the company by increasing market penetration, generating manufacturing efficiencies and controlling selling, general and administrative expenses." One aspect of this program was a decision to de-emphasize the company's retail business and concentrate on the continued development and expansion of sales through its national network of distributors. Stuart noted that

"Bingo King has addressed this goal by selling a number of its retail outlets during the second and third quarters of 1990 to existing distributors or to individuals who have become members of Bingo King's distributor network." Stuart added that "the sale of the majority of its retail branches will enable Bingo King to focus its attention on its more profitable wholesale operations." No appreciable gains or losses were recognized on the sale of these branches.

Stuart also emphasized the strong positive cash flows generated by Bingo King during the first six months of 1990 which have enabled Bingo King to significantly reduce its indebtedness. Stuart expressed his belief that "with incoming orders remaining substantial Bingo King should be able to continue to generate strong earnings and significant positive cash flows."

Stuart closed by stating that "although the Bingo industry remains highly competitive we at Bingo King are very optimistic that the company can continue to improve upon prior year performance during the remaining six months of 1990."

Bingo King is the leading manufacturer of supplies and fund raising products associated with the game of bingo.

BINGO KING CO. INC.
Condensed Consolidated Summary of Income
Unaudited and Subject to Year-End Adjustments

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$9,833,000	$8,823,000
Net income	$406,000	$282,000
Earnings per share	$.13	$.09
Average shares outstanding	3,070,000	3,153,000

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$19,438,000	$17,096,000
Net income	$756,000	$560,000
Earnings per share	$.25	$.18
Average shares outstanding	3,067,000	3,041,000

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet
Unaudited and Subject to Year-End Adjustments

	June 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Assets		
Current assets	$11,333,000	$11,965,000
Property, plant & equipment-net	7,250,000	7,572,000
Other assets	2,615,000	2,114,000
Total	$21,198,000	$21,651,000

Liabilities and stockholders' equity		
Current liabilities	$9,177,000	$9,756,000
Long-term debt (less current portion)	2,564,000	3,224,000
Other liabilities	1,148,000	1,120,000
Stockholders' equity	8,309,000	7,551,000
Total	$21,198,000	$21,651,000

CONTACT: Richard H. Ellison of Bingo King Co. Inc., 303-795-2625

-30- 4817

#90226p5064 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MICH. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - National TechTeam, Inc. (NASDAQ: TEAM) today reported a net loss of $128,000 or $.02 per share on revenues of $1.7 million for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This is in comparison to the reported net loss of $295,000, or $.06 per share, on revenues of $1.7 million for the second quarter of the prior year.

William F. Coyro Jr., president and chief executive officer of National TechTeam, Inc., attributed the loss to the need to write off approximately $140,000 of expenses incurred in connection with a planned merger abandoned in June 1990.

CONTACT: William F. Coyro Jr. of National TechTeam, Inc., 313-277-2277

-30- 848

#90226p5066 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Mellon Bank (NYSE: MEL) emphasized its continuing commitment to the corporation's service products businesses by announcing today a partnership agreement with Software Alliance Corp., which will develop proprietary software for InFiServ, thus further enhancing the product features of this state-of-the-art trust management system developed by Mellon.

Under the agreement, Mellon will continue to service InFiServ's existing and new service bureau customers, as well as existing in-house (license) customers. (Service bureau customers use Mellon's computer system for InFiServ, and license customers run InFiServ software on their own computer systems.) Software Alliance is a leading financial systems integrator and software developer and will be responsible for the marketing and client service (i.e., installation, maintenance and administration) of InFiServ for future license customers. In addition, Software Alliance will contribute significant development resources to

InFiServ. Mellon will own all software that is developed and make the software available to all InFiServ customers. Mellon plans to install InFiServ and the software developed by Software Alliance in its own personal trust department.

Developed in 1989 by Mellon Fiduciary Services Group, InFiServ is an IBM mainframe trust accounting system using state-of-the-art Computer Aided Software Engineering (CASE) tools, Structured Code and Data Base Technology. InFiServ operates as a service bureau or under an in-house licensing agreement. Mellon's InFiServ system is currently used by some 100 banks throughout the country, providing service to approximately 150,000 of their customers' accounts.

Software Alliance is a leading independent provider of consulting, integration services and software, serving financial institutions of all sizes. The company has extensive experience in trust and securities systems and in support services for in-house systems projects. Headquartered in Berkeley, Calif., the company has nine regional offices throughout the United States. Software Alliance is an affiliate of Teknekron, a $200-million group of technology companies.

The newly formed Financial Institution Services Department, part of Mellon's Service Products Area, provides a wide range of services -- such as trust accounting, financial data processing, electronic funds transfer processing, merchant card processing and securities transfer -- to banks, S&Ls, credit unions and other financial institutions. Service Products, one of Mellon's three core businesses, earned $151 million in 1989. In addition to Financial Institution Services, this business segment also includes the newly created Technology Products Department and the Trust and Investment Department, one of the largest trust operations in the United States.

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-30- 3108

#90226p5068 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - First Chicago Corporation (NYSE: FNB) said it has established a new group that will offer advisory services and provide equity investments for the restructuring of financially distressed companies.

The restructuring advisory department will be headed by Lawrence Fox, a 23-year veteran of First Chicago. Other senior advisers to the group are Geoffrey McConnell and Peter Sweet.

The formation of the restructuring advisory department comes at a time when a growing number of the nation's businesses are in need of financial

engineering.

"Business failures increased by nearly 400 percent between 1980 and 1989 and that number will continue to rise during the nineties," said Fox. "Some of these will be companies that underwent leveraged buyouts and are now finding it difficult to service their debt. Other companies are being squeezed by the slowdown in the overall economy."

One distinguishing feature of the group will be its ability to invest equity into those companies that are in the process of being restructured. The group will be looking at transactions that require an investment of at least $10 million.

The restructuring advisory group will also work with the creditors of financially troubled companies, protecting their exposures, securing their positions when customers start encountering financial difficulties, and liquidating portfolios of distressed assets.

First Chicago's restructuring department will help corporate customers negotiate solutions to their financial problems, avoiding bankruptcy filings when possible. While management struggles with day-to-day issues, the restructuring advisory department will gear the company towards long-term survival.

"Without external support it is almost impossible for corporate management to separate managing the crisis from managing the business," Fox said.

Target companies for the debtor side of the advisory business are those with debts exceeding $50 million. Target creditors will be those with more than $50 million in identified problem loans. Particular industries where First Chicago has specific expertise are retailing, communications, finance companies, real estate, energy, transportation, health care, mortgage banking and insurance companies.

First Chicago will not act as an advisor in those situations where it is a lender to the corporation.

First Chicago Corporation, with $50.4 billion in assets, serves large corporations and international customers through its global corporate bank. Its superregional bank provides a national bankcard and community banking, and offers banking services to middle market corporations.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Aequitron Medical, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:

AQTN) announced today it has achieved record quarterly sales and record first quarter earnings for the three months ended July 31, 1990. The company reported net income of $386,600, or $.08 per share, on sales of $6,883,300 for the first quarter of fiscal 1991. This compares to earnings of $295,700, or $.06 per share, on sales of $6,246,600 for the same period last year.

Aequitron President and CEO Curtis J. Olson stated, "We are pleased that we are beginning fiscal 1991 on such a strong note. Sales for the quarter in each of our three main product groups exceeded last year and we remain committed to emphasizing product diversity as we plan for future growth."

Olson stated that during the first quarter the trend continued toward increased demand of Aequitron's top-of-the-line memory monitors. In addition, increased ventilator sales and higher than expected sales from the company's Crow River Industries subsidiary contributed significantly to the highest quarterly sales in Aequitron's history, according to Olson.

The record first quarter earnings resulted not only from increased sales but also from reduced operating expenses as a percentage of sales and lower interest expenses. "In addition, our Crow River subsidiary experienced substantial earnings improvement for the quarter," said Olson.

The company says it plans to begin shipments during the second quarter of two new products which were recently introduced to the marketplace. "We will begin shipping the Model 9101 Multi-channel Recording and Analysis System and the new Transgater Gravity-down Wheelchair Lift," Olson stated. "Also, we will begin manufacturing and shipping our newly acquired oxygen concentrators under the trade name 'Silent Partner' in the second quarter." The level of customer interest expressed for all of these new products is high, he said.

Aequitron Medical, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets electronic products for home health care and hospital use; and wheelchair lifts and automobile hand controls for the mobility impaired.

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#90226p5073 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Hanson PLC (NYSE: HAN) announced today that pre-tax profit for the first nine months of fiscal year 1990, the period which ended June 30, 1990, increased 26.5 percent to a record $1.638 billion ($1.294 billion) on sales of $9.017 billion ($8.707 billion). Earnings per fully diluted ADR rose to $1.27 ($1.13), up 13.2

percent.

HANSON PLC
(dollars in millions -- unaudited)

Periods ended June 30	Nine months 1990	Nine months 1989	Three months 1990	Three months 1989
Sales	9,017	8,707	2,727	2,943
Pre-tax profit	1,638	1,294	644	515
Taxes	396	305	155	119
Net income before extraordinary income	1,242	989	489	396
Extraordinary income	272	588	(28)	138
Net income after extraordinary income	1,514	1,577	461	534
Earnings per ADR before extraordinary income (UK GAAP)				
Primary	$1.29	$1.26	$.51	$.51
Fully Diluted	$1.27	$1.13	$.50	$.44
Earnings per Ordinary Share before Extraordinary Income (UK GAAP)				
Primary	14.8p	14.4p	5.8p	5.8p
Fully Diluted	14.6p	12.9p	5.7p	5.0p
Average Ordinary Shares outstanding				
Primary	1990 - 4.785 billion		1989 - 3.926 billion	
Fully Diluted	1990 - 5.007 billion		1989 - 4.730 billion	

1. The nine months' figures to June 30, 1990 include a nine month contribution from Consolidated Gold Fields acquired August 1989. Peabody has been included as an associate from April 1, 1990 and became wholly owned on July 2, 1990. 2. The nine months' and three months' sales turnover figures for June 1989 have been adjusted to exclude sales of businesses sold amounting to $221 million and $33 million respectively. The three months' sales turnover figures for June 1990 have been adjusted for sales by businesses sold amounting to $31 million. 3. The exchange rate at June 30, 1990 was 1 pound sterling $1.7445. This rate has been used to convert both June 30, 1990 and June $1.549). 4. Each ADR represents five ordinary shares.

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#90226p5075 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TX (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - American Physicians Service Group, Inc. ("APS") (NASDAQ: AMPH), today announced results for the second quarter of 1990. For the three months ended June 30, 1990, revenues declined to $3,355,000 from $3,811,000 in the year-ago period. Net earnings amounted to $69,000 or $0.01 per share, vs. $393,000 or $0.08 per

share in 1989.

For the first six months, APS reported revenues of $6,115,000 vs. $7,279,000 in 1989. A net loss of $165,000 or $.03 per share compares to income of $810,000 or $.16 per share in 1989.

Expected losses at the company's 42 percent owned affiliate, Prime Medical Services, Inc. ("Prime"), contributed to the lower earnings as did lower interest income resulting from the purchase for cash of the interest in Prime in the fourth quarter of 1989. Ken Shifrin, APS chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "Prime's development continues on-track. Operational and administrative progress is encouraging and should begin producing improved results as we approach year-end." Prime is a leading provider of non-medical management services for seven diagnostic imaging centers and 47 cardiac rehabilitation clinics.

Bill Hayes, vice president-finance, said, "Lower sales, particularly at our insurance management subsidiary, have been the cause of lower earnings in 1990, but we expect plans implemented earlier to begin to have a positive effect on the sales trend." He cited the improved financial condition of the managed insurance companies, two recently signed contracts at the software company, and expansion of the brokerage business as results of these plans.

APS is a financial services firm, with subsidiaries and affiliates that provide: management of medical malpractice insurance companies; third party medical and dental administration services; brokerage, financial planning and investment services to individuals and institutions; computer systems for large medical clinics and university medical schools; Hispanic yellow page directories; and management of cardiac rehabilitation and diagnostic imaging centers through its Prime Medical affiliate. Its corporate headquarters are located in Austin, with regional offices in San Antonio, Dallas and Little Rock.

CONTACT: Kenneth Shifrin, chairman, or W. H. Hayes, vice president-finance of APS, 512-328-0888.

-30- 2544

#90226p5080 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - BSN Corp. (AMEX: BSN) today announced that its consolidated July revenues, including inter-company activity, set a single monthly record for the company reaching $10.3 million creating estimated operating profits of $705,000 vs. last years $248,000. The company stated that it appears that August revenues will equal or exceed July's results and that it would represent the third consecutive month that revenues reached the $10 million level.

BSN, the nations largest supplier of sports equipment to the institutional markets, said that its primary businesses have historically benefited from economic slowdowns as its customers tend to redirect a larger percentage of their purchases from traditional sources to BSN. BSN stated that due to its expanding revenues, earnings and cash flows that it now anticipates its year end cash positions to be in excess of $10 million as compared to $2.1 million at year end 1989.

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#90226p5082 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LUMBERTON, N.C. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - In separate meetings Thursday, the shareholders of Western Carolina Savings and Loan of Valdese and Mutual Federal Savings and Loan of Elkin voted to approve the merger of their companies with Southern National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SNAT), a multi-banking holding company.

The two S&Ls will retain their identities and continue to operate under their own boards. The mergers will be consummated Aug. 31.

In a related development, S&L Chief Executive Officers Walter Church, Sr. of Western Carolina and Joe Harris, Sr. of Mutual Federal have been named vice chairmen of Southern National Savings Corporation. They will report to the chief executive officer of Southern National Corporation.

"Both of these companies are among the most profitable and highly capitalized S&Ls in the state," said Chairman Hector MacLean. "They have been consistent, high performers and have not had the kind of problems that are apparent in the industry."

Western Carolina, with offices in Morganton and Hildebran, has approximately $90 million in assets. Mutual Federal joins Southern National with approximately $130 million in assets with branches in Yadkinville and Dobson. Both S&Ls represent new markets for Southern National.

Southern National, with $3.1 billion in assets, is parent company to the state's sixth largest bank, Southern National Bank of North Carolina. Headquartered in Lumberton, Southern National has more than 2,000 employees with 142 banking offices in 72 cities and communities in the Carolinas.

Church brings to Southern National 33 years of banking experience. He started his career as an internal auditor with Tallahassee Bank and Trust Company in Tallahassee, Fla. before moving back to his home in Valdese in 1964. He was named president and chief executive officer of Western

Carolina in 1973.

Harris, in addition to his duties as head of Mutual Federal, is a town commissioner in Elkin. He is past president and director of the Kiwanis and past director of the Surry County Economic Development Commission.

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#90226p5085 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The LVI Group Inc. (NYSE: LVI), today reported that the company continued to improve operating level profits, earning $171,000 for the three month period ended June 30, 1990 before interest and amortization, as compared to a loss of $293,000 for the three month period ended June 30, 1989.

The net loss applicable to common stock of $2,820,000 or $.15 per share on revenues of $85,010,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 compares to a net loss applicable to common stock of $1,049,000 or $.08 per share on revenues of $120,160,000 for the comparable period in 1989. Included in the results for the second quarter of 1989 is a gain on early extinguishment of debt amounting to $2,893,000 or $.14 per share. An extraordinary gain of $60,000 for the second quarter of 1990 had no material effect on per share earnings. For the quarters ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, there were 21,381,000 and 20,133,000 weighted average number of common shares outstanding, respectively.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company's operating level profits were $224,000 before interest and amortization, as compared to a loss of $2,008,000 for the six month period ended June 30, 1989.

The net loss applicable to common stock of $3,804,000 or $.22 per share on revenues of $181,446,000 for the first six months of 1990, compares to a loss of $5,317,000 or $.31 per share on revenues of $234,009,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

THE LVI GROUP AND SUBSIDIARIES
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months		Six months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1990
Revenue earned	$85,010,000	$120,160,000	$181,446,000	$234,009,000
Operating income (loss)	171,000	(293,000)	224,000	(2,008,000)
Income (loss) from contin. opers. before				

extraord. item	(2,793,000)	(3,687,000)	(5,404,000)	(8,375,000)
Loss from discontinued operations	(87,000)	(255,000)	(124,000)	(362,000)
Income (loss) before extraord item	(2,880,000)	(3,942,000)	(5,528,000)	(8,737,000)
Extraordinary item:				
Gain (loss) on early extinguishment of debt	60,000	2,893,000	1,724,000	3,420,000
Net income (loss) applicable to common stock	(2,820,000)	(1,049,000)	(3,804,000)	(5,317,000)
Net income (loss) per common share:				
From cont. opers. bef. extraord. item	(.15)	(.21)	(.29)	(.46)
Loss from discont. operations	--	(.01)	(.01)	(.02)
Extraord. item	--	.14	.08	.17
Total	(.15)	(.08)	(.22)	(.31)
Weighted average number of common shares	21,381,000	0,133,000	21,381,000	20,112,000

Net income (loss) per common share is calculated by dividing net income (loss) applicable to common stock (after deduction for the dividend requirement on preferred stock, currently not being paid or accrued) by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the periods. Fully diluted earnings per share is not shown since the effect would be insignificant for each of the periods.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Syncor International Corp. (NASDAQ: SCOR) today announced that increased market penetration and improved operating efficiency enabled the company to achieve record sales and earnings for the fiscal year and fourth quarter which ended May 31, 1990.

Gene McGrevin, Syncor's president and chief executive officer said, "Syncor has established itself as the premier company in nuclear and high technology pharmacy services. This is our fourth consecutive quarter of record sales and earnings. Our market share is expanding, and we are

continuing to improve our profitability."

For fiscal year 1990, sales increased 14 percent to $129.8 million, up from $113.9 million last year. Net income was a record $3.6 million, or 35 cents per share, up from $433,000, or 4 cents per share in the prior year. Income before extraordinary item, the utilization of a net operating loss carryforward, was a record $3.3 million, up from $192,000 last year. For the fourth quarter, sales increased 15.3 percent to $35.8 million, up from $31.0 million in the quarter a year ago. Net income increased to $765,000, or 8 cents per share, up from $107,000, or 1 cent per share in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Syncor's financial position continues to remain strong with working capital of $17.3 million, a current ratio of 1.8 to 1, and long-term debt to equity of 0.24 to 1.

"The current year's success is the result of our renewed focus on profitable operations and strategic growth," McGrevin noted. "At the end of last year and the beginning of this year, we restructured our management and operating efficiencies while instituting general price increases.

"During the year we made significant investments in a number of key programs including strengthening our marketing and sales organization and upgrading our management information systems. These programs are contributing significantly to our improved results. We plan to continue to invest in critical business areas in order to achieve our goals of providing the highest quality services to our customers, improving profitability and enhancing shareholder value."

Syncor operates a nationwide network of 84 high-tech pharmacy service centers.

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#90226p5091 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, ILL. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: WMX) today announced the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend of $0.09 cents per share payable Oct. 4, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 6 1990.

The quarterly cash dividend is the 58th consecutive quarterly cash dividend declared by Waste Management since the company began paying dividends in 1976.

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#90226p5094 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

EXETER, NH (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Tyco Laboratories, Inc. (NYSE: TYC) announced today that its Simplex Wire and Cable Company subsidiary, located in Newington, N.H., has been awarded a contract by AT&T for the production of the newest generation of fiber optic undersea telecommunications cables. Valued at $200 million, the award provides for a $100 million order for the production of undersea fiber optic cables initially, plus options for $100 million of additional cables.

The initial commitment calls for Simplex to manufacture over 14,500 kilometers of undersea fiber optic cables, including cables for the TPC-4 system which will link the U.S. to Japan, and HAW-5 to be installed between Hawaii and the U.S. mainland.

Joint development of undersea fiber optic cables, initiated by AT&T and Simplex in 1976, has resulted in the manufacture of over 31,000 kilometers of cable by Simplex.

This agreement represents the largest contract ever received by Simplex and brings Simplex' backlog to the highest level in its 140 year history.

Tyco is a worldwide manufacturer of fire protection/flow control systems, electrical and electronic components and packaging materials.

CONTACT: Irving Gutin, senior vice president of Tyco Labs, 603-778-9700

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#90226p5097 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - ConVest Energy Partners, Ltd. (AMEX: CEP) reported net income of $327,000 or $.05 per unit for the three months ended June 30, 1990, compared to net income of $1,224,000 or $.20 per unit for the second quarter of 1989. Net income for the second quarter of 1989 included $860,000 received by CEP in settlement of two lawsuits. Total revenues for the second quarter of 1990 were $2,484,000 compared to 1989 second quarter revenues of $3,209,000. Net income per unit is based on 5,914,573 units outstanding during both quarterly periods.

CEP reported net income of $1,020,000 or $.17 per unit for the six months ended June 30, 1990 compared to net income of $1,921,000 or $.32 per unit for the same period in 1989. Total revenues for the six months were $5,485,000 compared to 1989 revenues of $5,799,000. The higher net income and total revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1989 is

primarily attributable to the settlement of gas contract disputes and litigation aggregating over $1.5 million.

Oil and gas revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990 increased 27 percent over the corresponding 1989 period due to increased oil production from drilling and acquisition activities at Altamont- Bluebell Field, Osaka Field and the Culp Draw Waterflood Unit. The other major contribution to higher revenues was improved performance at the Altamont Gas Plant, where 1990 revenues exceeded 1989 revenues by about 20 percent. Gas production decreased slightly in 1990 from 1989 levels as the result of production curtailments experienced at CEP's Appalachian properties during the second quarter of 1990.

Cash flow generated from operations for the three months and the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $1,219,000 and $2,868,000, respectively. This compares to $1,998,000 and $3,393,000 (or $1,136,000 and $1,871,000 excluding nonrecurring settlement income) for the same periods in 1989. Average oil and gas prices were 18 percent and 10 percent lower during the second quarter of 1990, as compared to the previous calendar quarter.

ConVest Energy Partners, Ltd. is a publicly traded master limited partnership whose principal business activities include the development and operation of oil and gas properties and the acquisition of additional producing properties. ConVest Energy Corporation serves as general partner of CEP and currently owns approximately 14 percent of the partnership interests.

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#90226p5102 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Robotic Vision Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROBV), a leading manufacturer of machine vision-based inspection and measurement products for quality control and process guidance, reported today its third quarter financial results.

ROBOTIC VISION SYSTEMS, INC.

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,916,000	$ 2,530,000	$10,265,000	$ 7,032,000
Net inc. (loss)	$ (546,000)	$(1,630,000)	$(1,374,000)	$(2,608,000)
Net inc. (loss) per com. share- primary and fully diluted	$(.09)	$(.26)	$(.22)	$(.41)
Weighted aver. no. of shares outstg.	6,340,000	6,330,000	6,336,000	6,318,000

In July 1990 the company announced that it was discontinuing its automotive robotic systems integration business and closing down its Michigan manufacturing facility. The company estimates that its total closedown costs could range from $1.0 to $1.5 million. Such costs may be partially or totally offset from the proceeds of the sale of automotive spare parts inventory. No provision for closedown costs has been recorded in the above third quarter financial results.

The company announced that it has been experiencing problems with its automotive systems business over the last 18 months due to extremely aggressive pricing by a competitor. A result of the company's withdrawal from the automotive systems business is a significant decrease in the company's operating expenses.

The company further announced that it is addressing a new application for its HR-2000 solder joint inspection and process control machine in the semiconductor industry. The company indicated its belief that by entering this market it could accelerate bookings for its HR-2000 product.

The company stated that it was optimistic that it would return to profitability in fiscal year 1991, possibly as early as the first quarter depending upon the speed of its penetration of the semiconductor market with its HR-2000 product.

Robotic Vision Systems, Inc., designs, develops, manufactures and markets advanced three-dimensional vision-based inspection and measurement products for industrial and military purposes.

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#90226p5103 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - FileTek announces the opening of its New York regional office at One World Trade Center, Suite 7967, New York, N.Y. (telephone: 212-912-9484).

FileTek manufactures and markets the optical disk-based Storage Machine, a mass storage subsystem that provides on-line storage for hundreds of gigabytes to several terabytes of data. With the Storage Machine, data remains on-line and record accessible in seconds. By contrast, traditional storage methods allow data to age off DASD to computer output microfiche (COM), printed reports or tape. Retrieving data from these off-line sources can take from a few minutes to several days -- resulting in delays and increasing the costs associated with customer service.

The Storage Machine stores computer output microfiche and printed report

data on optical disks as record-oriented data files that remain computer-processible. With FileTek's custom-designed applications, users can access and update Storage Machine data records from the same terminal screens that they use to access data stored on DASD, eliminating the need to retrain customer service personnel or purchase special terminals.

FileTek's field sales efforts will enable additional Fortune-1000 corporations and government agencies to benefit from the Storage Machine's advanced technology. Current customers report that their investment in the Storage Machine has been returned, sometimes in less than a year, by reducing or eliminating the costs associated with producing and retrieving microfiche, printed reports or tape.

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#90226p5104 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

STERLING, VA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Star Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: STRR) today announced revenue of $8.8 million for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared with $10.2 million for the same prior-year period. The company reported net income of $31,000, or a loss of 1 cent per share, compared with net income of $118,000 or 1 cent per share, reported for the first quarter last year.

Richard J. Gallagher, Star's vice president of finance and CFO, attributed the decrease in revenue for the quarter to declining sales in the defense community. Despite lower revenue levels, profitability for the quarter was achieved as a result of significantly lower operating expenses, including decreased research and development expenditures and various expense reduction activities initiated during the past 12 months. The decline in R & D expenditures was anticipated as the company nears the completion of the development cycle for several new products.

One of these new products, the Graphicon 2000 (G2000) began shipping during the first quarter. The G2000 is a powerful addition to Star's Graphicon(tm) family of high-performance image generators. The product is a price/performance leader for visual simulation and training applications, providing the performance of costly large-scale simulators at a fraction of their cost.

In addition, the company began to realize the benefit of a strategic recapitalization completed in May. The recapitalization involved a private placement of $14.75 million of preferred stock with GE Capital Corporation and two other institutional investors. The equity was used to retire $11 million of subordinated debt, and for working capital providing the additional cash needed to bring Star's new products to market. The

preferred stock will yield a 10 percent dividend to the investors, which may be paid in stock for the first two years providing a cash savings of nearly $3 million.

In July, Star announced the STAR 910/VP, a new family of supercomputing network compute servers. The products, which bring Star's expertise in high-performance computing to the network workstation market, are fully compatible with workstations and servers from Sun Microsystems, the industry leader in the technical workstation market. When attached to a network of Sun users, the STAR 910/VP provides distributed supercomputing to users across the network.

"The results of the first quarter continue to reflect the impact of our growth through diversification program," said Robert C. Compton, Star's president and CEO. During the past two years, this strategic program, aimed at broadening Star's product and market base, has involved two acquisitions, which resulted in substantial new product research and development activities.

"As a result of these investments in our future, Star is completing a transition from an array processor company to a supplier of a broader base of high-performance computing products," Compton said. "With these innovative new products and renewed financial strength, Star is well-positioned for the future."

Compton also noted that quarterly earnings throughout FY 1991 may be affected by a number of factors, including sales and marketing costs associated with supporting Star's new products.

Star Technologies, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of high- performance computing products, including network compute servers, array processors, and real-time image generators. Star is the market share and performance leader in array processors, providing the industry's fastest array processors for compute- intensive applications in image and signal processing. Star's Graphicon Products Division, located in Research Triangle Park, N.C., manufactures the Graphicon family of high-performance 3-D image generators for military and commercial simulators and training systems. Star is headquartered at 515 Shaw Road, Sterling, Va., 22170.

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#90226p5107 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) today reported the following sales figures:

	1990	1989	Percent Change	Memo: Selling Days 1990	1989
Total Vehicles					
Aug. 1-10	85,454	101,220	-15.6	9	9
Jan. 1-Aug. 10	2,155,831	2,345,885	- 8.6	188	187
Total Cars					
Aug. 1-10	50,173	63,391	-20.8		
Jan. 1-Aug. 10	1,238,767	1,415,828	-13.0		
Imported Cars					
Aug. 1-10	1,804	1,961	- 8.3		
Jan. 1-Aug. 10	40,926	50,958	-20.1		
Total Trucks					
Aug. 1-10	35,281	37,829	- 6.7		
Jan. 1-Aug. 10	917,064	930,057	- 1.9		
Light Trucks					
Aug. 1-10	34,250	35,685	- 4.0		
Jan. 1-Aug. 10	887,720	891,946	- 1.0		

Note: Percentage changes are based on daily selling rates.

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#90226p5110 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MISS. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobile Telecommunication Technologies Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: MTTL) announced today that it has formed a joint venture with Pacific Link, a telecommunications consortium based in Hong Kong, to develop international paging and voice messaging services in Hong Kong and other parts of the Asia Pacific region.

The joint venture was formed following the Hong Kong Telecommunications board's decision to grant preliminary approval of the 931.9375 frequency for paging and voice messaging. This is the same frequency on which Mtel operates in the U.S. and in Singapore.

"The formation of the joint venture in Hong Kong will allow Mtel to develop services on the 931 MHz frequency. This is a step forward in our long-term objective of developing a global messaging system," said Alexander H. Good, president of Mtel International.

In reporting other international developments, Good said that Mtel recently signed a memorandum of understanding with Cantel, the Canadian company that issued the 931.9375 MHz frequency in Canada.

Pending the finalization of certain documents, Mtel and Cantel will work

jointly to develop a nationwide and international paging and voice messaging system in Canada and the U.S. The proposed Canada-U.S. system will include an international roaming capability.

Mtel, headquartered in Jackson, Miss., is engaged in businesses that include nationwide paging and voice messaging services in the U.S.; nationwide paging services and paging system manufacturing in the U.K.; interests in other satellite-based telecommunications systems; air-to-ground and marine telecommunication systems; telephone answering service operations; and a digital microwave system serving southern California.

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#90226p5112 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST NEW YORK, N.J. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Allan Ginsburg, chairman of the board of Jaclyn, Inc. (AMEX: JLN) announced today that Jaclyn's board of directors declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of $.12-1/2 per share, payable on Nov. 15, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 16, 1990. This is the company's eighty-eighth consecutive quarterly cash dividend.

Jaclyn, Inc. is a leading designer, manufacturer and distributor of ladies' handbags.

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#90226p5113 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are unit sales for the 10-day period, Aug. 1-10, for Lincoln-Mercury Division:

	Current	Year-ago
Grand Marquis	2,202	4,033
Cougar	1,767	3,554
Sable	3,315	3,717
Topaz	1,673	2,306
Tracer	999	2,027
Capri	481	---
Lincoln Town Car	3,951	3,439
Mark VII	448	458
Continental	1,696	1,366
XR4Ti	---	87
Scorpio	---	36
TOTAL	16,532	21,023

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SCHAUMBURG, ILL. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Intercargo Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ICAR) today reported record earnings for the second quarter and first half ended June 30, 1990.

Net income for the 1990 second quarter rose 15.9 percent to $619,000, or 27 cents per share, from $534,000, or 24 cents per share, in the second quarter of 1989. Total revenues were $6,005,000 compared to $5,971,000 a year earlier.

For the 1990 six months, net income from operations was up 24.7 percent to $1,249,000, or 54 cents per share, from $1,002,000, or 44 cents per share, in the 1989 six months. Net income for the 1989 first half received an additional benefit of $91,000, or 4 cents per share, from the adoption of FASB 96. Total revenues for the 1990 first half were $12,322,000, compared with $11,700,000.

James R. Zuhlke, president and chief executive officer, said total premiums written in the 1990 first half rose 15.4 percent over the 1989 period while earned premium grew 6.4 percent.

Zuhlke noted that the company's Canadian affiliate, Kingsway Financial Services, Inc. posted another solid quarter, contributing $126,000 to second quarter income. He said recent changes in insurance laws in Ontario, Canada, are projected to have a very positive effect on this operation for the remainder of 1990.

Zuhlke said that as a specialty underwriter, Intercargo Corporation continues to outperform the general property and casualty industry. Emphasizing that premium growth was not achieved at the expense of underwriting profitability, he said, "Our aggregate combined loss and expense ratio declined to a seasonal low of 88.3 percent for the 1990 first half from 91.4 percent a year earlier." A combined ratio of under 100 percent indicates an underwriting profit.

"Overall performance is in line with expectations," Zuhlke said, "and we believe our favorable historical patterns will continue in 1990."

Headquartered in Schaumburg, (a Chicago suburb) Intercargo Corporation is a leading provider of specialized insurance coverage for companies involved in international trade. Its market is primarily importers and exporters, customs brokers and freight forwarders and other global traders. The primary coverages it underwrites are U.S. Customs Bonds for

which it controls about 33 percent of the market, cargo insurance and professional liability for the broker forwarder industry.

INTERCARGO CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Income
(In thousands, except per share data -- unaudited)

Periods ended:	Three months		Six months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Insurance premium income	$5,643	$5,551	$11,621	$10,922
Net investment income	362	420	701	778
Total revenues	6,005	5,971	12,322	11,700
Losses & expenses:				
Losses & loss adjustment exps.	2,253	2,278	4,719	4,472
Policy acquisition costs	2,511	2,457	5,079	4,796
Other underwriting exps.	563	494	1,076	978
Interest expense	--	2	--	5
Total losses & expenses	5,327	5,231	10,874	10,251
Equity in the earnings of unconsolidated affiliate	126	--	221	--
Operating income before federal income tax	804	740	1,669	1,449
Federal income tax:				
Current	166	223	456	481
Deferred	19	(17)	(36)	(34)
Total federal income tax	185	206	420	447
Net income before accounting change	619	534	1,249	1,002
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	--	--	--	91
Net income	619	534	1,249	1,093
Net income per share:				
Before accounting change	$0.27	$0.24	$0.54	$0.44
On change in accounting principle	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04
Net income per share	$0.27	$0.24	$0.54	$0.48
Average number of shares of common stock outstanding	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,300

CONTACT: James R. Zuhlke, president and CEO, or Kenneth J. Kranig, chairman of Intercargo, 708-517-2510

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#90226p5115 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - IMRE Corp. (NASDAQ: IMRE) today announced results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990. The company reported a net loss for the quarter of $369,342, or 3 cents per share, as compared to

$584,308, or 6 cents per share, for the first quarter of last year. The loss reduction is primarily due to increased PROSORBA(R) column production and significant expense reductions. Product sales for the quarter were $619,434 as compared to $429,400 for the same period in 1989.

IMRE Corp. is a Seattle-based medical products company that is considered a pioneer and the leader in the field of immunoadsorption, a process of treating a diseased patient's blood outside the body.

IMRE CORP.
CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA
(In thousands except per share data)

Three Months Ended June 30:	1990	1989
Sales	$ 619	$ 429
Interest income (expense)	(2)	2
Total revenues	617	431
Expenses	986	1,015
Net loss	$ 369	$ 584
Net loss per share	$ 0.03	$ 0.06

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#90226p5116 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Penril Corp. (AMEX: PNL) today announced its Electro-Metrics subsidiary has experienced a substantial increase in its international business.

New test system contracts from customers in the Far East, Europe and South America have totaled over $4 million.

Electro-Metrics has also developed a new communication product line for high frequency signal detection, switching and distribution. Initial customer reaction has been very favorable. Communication products are expected to contribute significantly to Electro-Metrics' revenues in the current fiscal year.

Penril Corp. is listed on the American Stock Exchange and manufactures data communications equipment and measurement instruments.

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#90226p5117 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

FLINT, MI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Reporting a change in the listing of

its stock, Action Auto (NASDAQ: AAST) reported today that it will now appear in the Monday edition of the Wall Street Journal in the section entitled NASDAQ Weekly Bid/Ask Quotations.

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#90226p5119 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR), announced that the company has reached an agreement in principle to sell the operations of its wholly-owned subsidiary Eastman Radio, Inc. (including certain property, rights and assets) to a subsidiary of Katz Communications, Inc. for a total cash consideration of $11,750,000. Certain assets of Eastman (principally cash, cash equivalents and receivables) and all of its liabilities, both known and contingent, will be retained. The company expects to complete the transaction in the very near future.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, currently owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network, and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

CONTACT: Terry S. Jacobs, R. Christopher Weber, or Jon M. Berry, 513-621-1300, all of Jacor Communications, Inc.

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#90226p5120 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DUNDEE, MI (AUG. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Holnam Inc. (NYSE: HLN) today reported consolidated revenues of $283.1 million and a net loss of $2.3 million for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared with revenues of $290.3 million and a net profit of $10.1 million in the second quarter of 1989.

For the first half of 1990, Holnam recorded a net loss of $24.3 million on revenues of $456.6 million, vs. a net loss of $6.1 million on revenues of $447.8 million in the first half of 1989.

The decrease in revenues for the second quarter of 1990, in comparison with 1989, was primarily the result of an 11 percent decrease in cement shipments and reduced concrete volume at St. Lawrence Cement. According to Marc von Wyss, president and chief executive officer, this was offset to some extent by a 15 percent increase in shipments from the Holnam East and Holnam West Divisions, formerly Dundee Cement and Ideal Basic Industries.

The increase in revenues for the first half of 1990, in comparison with 1989, was primarily due to an 8 percent increase in total cement shipments along with a 3 percent increase in cement prices for the East and West Divisions.

Holnam's second quarter of 1990 gross margin declined from the corresponding quarter of 1989, due principally to inflationary cost increases and declining contribution of St. Lawrence sales, which carry a higher than average gross margin. The year-to-date gross margins for 1990 and for 1989 were similarly affected.

Selling and administrative expenses in the second quarter of 1990 were higher than in the corresponding quarter of 1989, and also for the year-to-date, primarily as a result of merger-related activities, expenses associated with the recently included Northwestern States operations and higher interest expense resulting from increased debt levels.

Holnam Inc. is a leading producer of cement and related construction products in the United States and Canada, and a subsidiary of Holderbank Financiere Glaris, Ltd., of Switzerland, one of the world's largest manufacturers of cement.

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#90226p5122 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTSVILLE, SC (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Sonoco Products Company (NASDAQ-NMS: SONO) has today (Aug. 14) signed an agreement with Pierre Lhomme of Cheroy (Yonne), France to purchase the controlling block of shares in Lhomme S.A., the leading French manufacturer of paperboard, tubes, cores and machinery. When the sale is completed later this summer, Lhomme S.A. will become part of the Sonoco Europe organization. The companies did not disclose the purchase price.

"We are excited about the opportunity of joining Sonoco and Lhomme together to serve the European tube and core market," said T.C. Coxe, III, executive vice president of Sonoco. "We think this merger will have positive benefits for our customers and employees," said Pierre Lhomme, chairman of Lhomme.

This acquisition is in line with Sonoco's expansion plans in Europe. "It confirms our company's commitment to Europe and the French market in particular," said Coxe.

Lhomme S.A., located in Pont Sur Yonne, France, has seven plants employing more than 500 persons. It has annual sales of approximately $42 million.

Lhomme is one of Europe's leading tube and core manufacturers with a reputation for technological superiority.

Gaston Simonato will continue in his present position as managing director and will report to John J. Murphy, chief operating officer-Industrial Products in Europe, who reports to A.S. Harris, chief executive officer-Sonoco Europe.

The combined Sonoco/Lhomme tube and paperboard operation throughout Europe will include eight paperboard machines at seven mills and 22 converting plants. This acquisition makes Sonoco the European market leader in coreboard and tube manufacture.

Sonoco, headquartered in Hartsville, S.C., is the world leader in the production of recycled paperboard, tubes and cores. This acquisition enables the company to significantly expand in key European markets. Sonoco is a major manufacturer of industrial and consumer packaging products employing more than 15,000 persons at more than 200 locations around the world. The company had 1989 sales of $1.6 billion.

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#90226p5123 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, Conn. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - First Brands Corporation (NYSE: FBR) today announced results for the fiscal year and the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Earnings and earnings per share (before extraordinary charges and gains) for fiscal 1990 increased 24 percent and 19 percent, respectively, over last year. Earnings were $50,392,000 or $2.40 per share before extraordinary charges for costs related to repurchasing debt. Comparable earnings for fiscal 1989, excluding the sale of the European Home Products Businesses and tax loss carryforwards, were $40,677,000 or $2.02 per share. Net earnings for fiscal 1990 were $49,606,000 or $2.36 per share and for fiscal 1989 were $60,968,000 or $3.03 per share.

Net earnings for fiscal 1990s fourth quarter were $4,350,000 or $.20 per share versus $863,000 or $.04 per share last year.

Sales for the 1990 fiscal year were $1,086,591,000 which compares to $1,207,090,000 in sales for the prior 1989 fiscal year. Sales increased in plastic wrap and bags, car care products (automotive products other than antifreeze), export and the international business areas, but were offset by lower sales in the antifreeze area and the absence of sales related to the European Home Products Businesses.

Sales for the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter were $247,985,000 which compares to $273,269,000 in sales for the prior year. Sales increased in plastic wrap and bags, car care products (automotive products other than antifreeze), export and the international business areas, but were offset by lower sales in the antifreeze area.

Alfred E. Dudley, chairman, chief executive officer and president, said that "The company's performance was excellent in all business areas, with the drop in antifreeze sales reflecting overall market softness. In fiscal 1990, we invested significantly for the future through new product introductions, line extensions, new ventures and record high advertising and promotion expenditures."

This year's fourth quarter results were also very good and in line with expectations. As with the fiscal year, all business areas performed better than last year except antifreeze.

Dudley continued, "I expect next year's overall results will be up slightly, reflecting continued growth and profitability in plastic wrap and bags, car care products, export and international business areas and lower interest costs offset by the impact of lower selling prices in the antifreeze area. Lower antifreeze prices are expected to cause lower earnings in fiscal 1991s first and second quarters compared to similar periods in fiscal 1990, but this should be more than offset by favorable increases in fiscal 1991s third and fourth quarter results."

In response to the possible impact of recent Mid-East events on First Brands, Dudley said that "Because there are so many variables that affect our business it is hard to predict the short-term effect of increases in oil prices. While some areas of supply are tight, no severe shortages are expected at this time. Our business has performed successfully through previous periods of oil price escalation due to our brands' strengths and our business mix."

Dudley further stated that "The process of soliciting bids to purchase the company is continuing and several parties have expressed an interest. It is, however, too soon to forecast a definitive outcome and further announcements on the subject will be made as appropriate."

First Brands Corporation develops, manufactures, markets and sells leading consumer products sold under the GLAD, GLAD-LOCK, Prestone, STP and Simoniz brands.

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#90226p5124 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS CRUCES, NM (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Patlex Corp. (NASDAQ: PTLX) announced today operating results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, and comparisons of results for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, current laser patents royalties increased to $1,720,000 from $1,480,000 in the second quarter of 1989 while royalties received for past infringement settlements decline to $81,000 in 1990 from $791,000 in 1989. Total net laser revenues for the quarter were $1,801,000 as compared to $2,271,000 for the same period in 1989.

Income from continuing operations for the current quarter was $669,000 or $.10 per share as compared to $839,000 or $.13 per share before extraordinary items in 1989. A net operating loss (NOL) carryforward to the second quarter of 1989 added an extraordinary gain of an additional $444,000 or $.06 per share. All NOL carryforward tax benefits were fully utilized in 1989 and are therefore not available for 1990.

The company announced that as of Aug. 7, 1990, it has repurchased a total of 627,400 shares of its common stock, approximately 10 percent of the shares outstanding at the beginning of the year, at an average purchase price of $4.71 per share. All repurchased shares will be retired.

The company also announced that the sale of certain assets of ESRAC Publishing Inc. to an international publishing company has been finalized. The company's investment in ESRAC and any return thereof depends on the success of the new publication in the next four years. If the new publication is successful, the company under its agreement with ESRAC has a potential opportunity to recover more than its original investment in ESRAC.

CONTACT: Frank Borman, chairman, or Richard Laitinen, treasurer of Patlex Corp., 505-524-4050.

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#90226p5125 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPRINGFIELD, IL (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Horace Mann Educators Corporation (HMEC), an insurance holding company, reported GAAP earnings before interest, taxes and amortization (EBITA) of $18.0 million for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, an increase of $9.6 million over the second quarter 1989.

EBITA for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, is ahead of the prior year for each of the life, annuity and property/casualty businesses. Year-to-date EBITA of $36.7 million is well ahead of $20.2 million for the prior year. HMEC continues to reduce its indebtedness under its bank credit agreement

significantly ahead of schedule.

Paul J. Kardos, president and chief executive officer, stated: "Overall we are pleased with our progress as well as our results. We remain confident that Horace Mann will continue to show profitable growth."

Property and casualty results improved significantly over the prior year due to more normal weather-related claims in the second quarter of 1990. In addition, a non-recurring charge to property and casualty income in the second quarter of 1989 lowered prior-year earnings.

As a result, the property and casualty combined ratio, excluding the amortization of intangible assets resulting from the acquisition of HMEC in August 1989, improved from 111.1 percent for the quarter ended June 30, 1989, to 101.8 percent for the current period.

Continued growth in life insurance in force of 4 percent over the prior year and retention of annuity business has resulted in a consistent growth in earnings in these businesses.

Pre-tax income for the second quarter 1990 included $13.3 million of interest expense, of which $9.6 million was cash interest expense, and $4.2 million was amortization of intangible assets related to the leveraged buyout. No comparable charges were made in the prior period and such charges are the reasons for the decrease in pre-tax income from $8.4 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1989, to $0.6 million for the current quarter.

HMEC is an insurance holding company primarily engaged through its subsidiaries in providing personal lines of property/casualty and life insurance, annuities and group life and health insurance products. HMEC's business originated in Springfield, Ill., in 1945. HMEC markets its products through its agency force primarily to teachers and other employees of public schools. HMEC was acquired in August 1989 from CIGNA Corporation by HME Holdings, Inc., a corporation formed at the direction of Gibbons, Green, van Amerongen, L.P., an investment banking firm specializing in management-led acquisitions.

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#90226p5126 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Columbia Gas Development Corp. the Houston-based oil and gas exploration subsidiary of The Columbia Gas System Inc. (NYSE: CG), today announced completion of the purchase of Texaco Inc.'s interest in Main Pass Block 30.

The seven-well oil field is located in federal waters in the Gulf of Mexico southeast of New Orleans. The net reserves purchased exceed 1.6 million barrels of oil (equivalent), according to John P. Bornman, president of Columbia Gas Development.

During the last 12 months, Bornman said, Columbia Development has acquired more than 5.3 million barrels of oil and 60 billion cubic feet of natural gas reserves. Development purchased the reserves at an average cost of $5.18 per barrel of oil (equivalent).

Columbia Development is actively engaged in domestic oil and gas exploration, production and marketing along the Gulf Coast (both onshore and offshore) and in mid-continent and Rocky Mountain regions.

Other Columbia Gas System subsidiaries located in Charleston, W.Va., and Calgary, Alberta, carry out the System's oil and gas exploration and production efforts in Appalachia and Canada. Columbia plans to invest more than $200 million in exploration and production activities in 1990.

The Columbia Gas System Inc. is one of the nation's largest natural gas systems. Subsidiary companies are engaged in the exploration, production, purchase, storage, transmission and distribution of natural gas. Columbia serves, directly or indirectly, more than 8 million customers in 14 states and the District of Columbia.

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#90226p5130 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODLAND HILLS, CA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Perceptronics Inc. (NASDAQ: PERC) reported higher net income for its first quarter ended June 30, 1990 on lower sales compared to a year ago.

For the current quarter, net income rose to $149,539, or $.04 per share, from $113,596, or $.03 per share, in the corresponding year earlier period. Current quarter net income includes an extraordinary credit of $61,500, or $.02 per share, resulting from utilization of a net operating loss carryforward. Income, before income taxes and extraordinary credit, totaled $152,539 compared with income before taxes of $130,596, in the corresponding period last year.

Total revenues for the three month period were $6,172,509 versus $6,731,472 in last year's first quarter.

"Results for this first quarter are principally attributable to higher interest income, coupled with reduced general and administrative expenses

" said Dr. Gershon Weltman, chairman and chief executive officer. "These more than offset lower gross profit margins, stemming from the anticipated reduction in revenues, and higher research and development expenses.

"As I have indicated previously, the balance of fiscal 1991 will be challenging, especially the quarter we are in now. With the end of the SIMNET contract in the first quarter, we anticipate lower sales and possibly a modest loss in the second quarter."

Weltman added: "Prospects for the second half of fiscal 1991 appear to be more positive although we do not expect to realize the full benefit of several recently announced contracts until fiscal 1992."

At June 30, 1990, firm contract backlog totaled $11.6 million with option backlog at $29.6 million for a total backlog of $41.2 million. Pending awards, expected to be booked in the second quarter, total approximately $15 million. A year earlier, Perceptronics' firm contract backlog was $17 million with options of $48 million for total backlog of $65 million.

Perceptronics is engaged in research and system development -- primarily for the Department of Defense -- and in the manufacture and marketing of low-cost, intelligent computer-based systems for training, simulation and decision support.

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#90226p5132 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Global Natural Resources Inc. (AMEX: GNR) today reported net income of $3.7 million or $0.16 per share, for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 compared with a net loss of $777,000 or $0.03 per share, for the second quarter of 1989. Total revenues were $13.0 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared with revenues of $8.6 million or the same quarter in 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net income was $4.6 million or $0.21 per share compared with a net loss of $107,000 for the same period in 1989. Revenues for the first six months of 1990 were $25.6 million, an increase of 50 percent over 1989 six month revenues of $17.0 million. Cash from operations increased 66 percent to 13.1 million over the $7.8 million reported in 1989.

The 1990 results include a cash distribution of $4.6 million or $0.20 per share in the second quarter from Investment Properties International Limited, a real estate investment trust currently in liquidation and of

which Global currently owns 47 percent. No such distribution was received in 1989.

James G. Niven, chairman of Global, stated, "We are pleased with the company's progress this year. While the warm winter in the U.S. had an effect on gas sales, our operations currently approach break-even and we remain optimistic about the future."

Niven also announced the formation of USAgas Pipeline, a joint venture being formed by combining certain assets owned by a Houston- based pipeline company and Global. USAgas will consist of natural gas gathering systems, intrastate pipelines and a natural gas liquids plant all located in East Texas and Northern Louisiana.

Niven said, "Anticipated revenue from the joint venture will have a significant effect on future Global revenues."

"Increased demand for oil and natural gas, the new pipeline system we announced today and a number of other exciting new opportunities will all have positive effects on the company," he concluded.

Global Natural Resources Inc. is a Houston-based energy company engaged in the exploration, development, production and transportation of oil and gas in North America and owns an interest in a long-term oil and gas production sharing contract in Indonesia.

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#90226p5133 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANGHORNE, PA. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ecogen Inc. (NASDAQ: EECN) today reported financial results for the second quarter and first half ended June 30, 1990.

For the second quarter of 1990, total revenues were $587,000 compared with $1,103,000 for the second quarter of 1989.

Ecogen reported a net loss of $1,460,000 ($0.19 per share) for the 1990 quarter compared with a net loss of $2,255,000 ($0.34 per share) for the previous year's quarter.

Total revenues for the first half of 1990 were $1,056,000 compared with $1,785,000 for the comparable 1989 period.

There was a net loss of $3,341,000 ($0.47 per share) for the first half of 1990 compared with a net loss of $4,087,000 ($0.61 per share) for the

first half of 1989.

Commenting on the results, Ecogen Chairman and CEO John E. Davies noted that the majority of the company's first half sales revenue of $363,000 came from Foil(A) potato bioinsecticide, Ecogen's newest product. Condor(A) forestry bioinsecticide, introduced earlier this year, also recorded its first sales in the second quarter.

Davies said, "We are particularly pleased by the acceptance of Foil and have significantly increased our manufacturing requirements as a result. Cutlass(A) vegetable bioinsecticide, which we launched last fall, also has been well received. However, Cutlass sales will not reach their full potential until the pending California registration is granted."

Noting that the company's cost cutting program has significantly reduced net losses in 1990, Davies stated, "We will continue to hold the line one expenditures except where we can see an immediate benefit in increased revenues."

Commenting on the recent $8.5 million investment in Ecogen by New York City investor David Blech, Davies said, "Definitive agreements were signed on Aug. 2, 1990. The proceeds of the investment have significantly increased the company's working capital and stockholders' equity.

Ecogen Inc. is an agricultural biotechnology company, specializing in biological pest control. Ecogen's products include Cutlass vegetable bioinsecticide, Foil potato bioinsecticide, Condor forestry and soybean bioinsecticide, Dagger(A) G cotton biofungicide and Collego(A) rice bioherbicide. The company is also developing products for cotton, corn, and home and garden use.

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ECOGEN INC.

CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Amounts in thousands, except per share data)

Periods Ended:	Quarter		Six Months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989 Revenues
Contract revenue	$227	$469	$570	$926
Product sales	301	430	363	430
Interest income	59	204	123	429
Total revenues	587	1,103	1,056	1,785
Costs & Expenses				
Cost of products sold	234	350	282	350
Operating expenses	1,813	3,008	4,115	5,522
Total costs and expenses	2,047	3,358	4,397	5,872
Net loss	(1,460)	(2,255)	(3,341)	(4,087)
Net loss per common share	$(.19)	$(.34)	$(.47)	$(.61)
Wtd. avg. com. shares outsg.	7,504	6,681	7,166	6,681

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#90226p5134 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - In its third full year of operations Anangel-American Shipholdings Limited (AASL)(NASDAQ: ASIPY) today reported net income after preferred dividends for fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 of $35,871,000 an increase of 27.5 percent over last year's figure. Earnings per share for the year were $2.15 and the directors have recommended a final dividend of $0.40 payable on Oct. 1 to shareholders of record on Aug. 31, 1990. The October payment will bring the total dividend for fiscal 1990 to $1.25.

Management commented that they remained pleased with these results as the operating profitability of the company had remained strong at $35,955,000 ($2.16 per share) as compared with $22,034,000 ($2.49 per share) in 1989. The decline in overall earnings per share was attributed principally to a vastly increased depreciation charge of $7,284,000 as compared to $730,000 in 1989 and the dilutive effects of the time required to fully invest the proceeds of the company's July 1989 offering of ADRs which resulted in an increase of 6,900,000 ordinary shares in the company's share capital.

The company stressed its confidence in the quality of its fleet which at year end numbered eighteen vessels totalling 760,281 deadweight aged 5-1/4 years on average valued at $295,825,000 (A surplus of $39,453,000 over net book value). Management reiterated their commitment to the company's treasury stock repurchase program because of its belief that the current market price of its shares did not fully reflect either the income generating ability or the inherent value of the company's assets.

Although the company's dividend reinvestment plan will operate as normal in respect of the final dividend, the Angelicoussis Shipholding Group Limited (ASGL) the ultimate owner of all the company's B shares has announced that it will not exercise its option to receive shares instead of cash in respect of its holding of B shares, but that it intends to apply the proceeds of the dividend in purchasing the company's A ordinary shares in the market.

As already announced in June, 1990 the company has executed a memorandum of agreement for the sale of one of its older Panamax Dry Cargo vessels which, when concluded, will generate a profit of approximately $7 million for inclusion in the company's 1991 accounts.

CONTACT: I.C. Davis, vice president of Anangel-American Shipholdings Limited (in London), 71-828-3388

-30- 2649

#90226p5139 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HERZLIYA PITUACH, ISRAEL (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Rada Electronic Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: RADIF) today announced its financial results for the three and six month periods ending June 30, 1990. Revenues for the six month period reached a record level of $11,545,000, a 10.5 percent increase over the 1989 period and net after tax profits rose to $708,000, a 4.1 percent increase over 1989. For the three month period ended June 30, 1990, the company achieved revenues of $5,502,000 as compared to $5,050,000 in 1989, and had net after tax profits of $318,000 as compared to $340,000 in the 1989 quarter. The decrease in net income was principally due to a one time provision of $100,000 related to taxes on benefits-in-kind provided to employees and surplus (non-deductible) expenses.

According to Haim Nissenson, president of the company, the growth in sales and profits was mainly attributable to its industrial sector consisting of Rada (Israel) and Tasco Electronic Services Inc., a majority-owned subsidiary, located in Anaheim, Calif.

Rada Electronic Industries Ltd. is an Israeli-based company with subsidiaries in Israel, the United States and the Netherlands. Rada's product lines include advanced automated testing equipment, avionics and airborne computers, military standard computers and peripherals. Rada is also involved in the distribution of sophisticated electronic components, functional circuits and subassemblies in Israel, the United States and Europe.

RADA ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES LTD.
(In thousands, except per share data)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$5,502	$5,050	$11,545	$10,450
Earnings	318	340	708	680
Earnings per share	.049	.053	.11	.106

CONTACT: RADA Public Relations, 212-734-8340

-30- 2178

#90226p5140 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of SunTrust Banks Inc. (NYSE: STI) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 21 cents per common share payable Sept. 15 to shareholders of record Sept. 1, 1990.

The current quarterly dividend totals $26.7 million on the approximately 127.2 million shares of SunTrust common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Thomas C. Duer, 404-588-8912 or James C. Armstrong, 404-588-7425 both of SunTrust Banks

-30- 626

#90226p5141 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - TPI Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: TPIE) today reported that revenues for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 rose 9 percent to $98,696,000, comprising $62,654,000 from TPI Restaurants Inc. and $36,042,000 from TPI Entertainment, Inc. Revenues for the prior year's second quarter amounted to $90,535,000 with $57,587,000 derived from restaurant operations and $32,948,000 provided by theater operations. Operating income for this second quarter rose approximately 68 percent to $5,828,000 from the $3,472,000 reported for the 1989 second quarter.

The net loss from continuing operations in the 1990 second quarter, after interest and provision for taxes, amounted to $1,064,000, or 5 cents per share, as compared to the 1989 second quarter net loss from continuing operations of $1,940,000, or 8 cents per share. Discontinued operations in the second quarter of 1989 yielded income of $4,128,000, or 18 cents per share, consisting of a $4,157,000 gain on disposal and a $29,000 loss from operations, and resulted in a net income of $2,188,000, or 10 cents per share for that period.

Revenues for the first half of 1990 rose 20 percent above 1989 to $205,028,000, comprising $139,541,000 from restaurant operations and $65,487,000 from theater operations (acquired in February 1989). Revenues for the first half of 1989 amounted to $170,855,000, with $127,198,000 provided by restaurant operations and $43,657,000 from theater operations. Operating income for the first six months of 1990 rose approximately 66 percent to $9,846,000 from the $5,936,000 reported for the same period the year before. For the first half of 1990 the net loss from continuing operations, after interest and provision for taxes, amounted to $4,117,000 or 19 cents per share, compared to the net loss from continuing operations of $4,568,000, or 20 cents per share, for the first half of 1989. Including the aforementioned results of discontinued operations, which stemmed from the sale of TPI Transmission Services, Inc., the 1989 first half net loss amounted to $242,000, or 1 cent per share.

TPI noted that same-store sales in the company's restaurant subsidiary for the six month period were up 6.8 percent and operating income was up 51.3 percent. TPI Restaurants currently operates 167 Shoney's, 64 Captain D's, and 10 other popularly priced specialty restaurants in the southeast.

TPI also reported that its wholly owned subsidiary, Maxcell Telecom Plus, Inc., is awaiting FCC approval of the sale of its cellular construction permit for the Tennessee Lake 1 RSA to a subsidiary of ALLTEL Corporation for $18 million in cash. Maxcell won the FCC lottery for that cellular telephone market on Oct. 18, 1989.

TPI ENTERPRISES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Condensed Statement of Operations
(Unaudited, in thousands except per share data)

Periods ended:	Six months		Three months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue				
Restaurants	$139,541	$127,198	$62,654	$57,587
Theaters	65,487	43,657	36,042	32,948
Total	205,028	170,855	98,696	90,535
Operating income				
Restaurants	10,253	6,779	5,629	4,071
Theaters	1,965	1,362	1,458	523
Corporate	(2,372)	(2,205)	(1,259)	(1,122)
Total	9,846	5,936	5,828	3,472
Loss from continuing operations before taxes	(4,445)	(5,337)	(924)	(2,145)
Net loss from cont. opers.	(4,117)	(4,568)	(1,064)	(1,940)
Discontinued operations	--	4,326	--	4,128
Net (loss) income	(4,117)	(242)	(1,064)	2,188
Income (loss) per share:				
Continuing operations	(.19)	(.20)	(.05)	(.08)
Discontinued operations	--	.19	--	.18
Net income (loss)	(.19)	(.01)	(.05)	.10
Wtd. avg. shares outstdg.	21,865	23,195	21,842	23,055

CONTACT: Herbert L. Lanzet of TPI Enterprises, 212-230-2233

-30- 4383

#90226p5144 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Howell Corporation (NYSE: HWL) announced today that Byron L. Teufel, Richard N. (Rich) Tyler and Jeffrey C. (Jeff) Lee joined its crude oil marketing unit as, respectively, vice president operations, vice president supply and crude oil representative. During 1990 the crude oil marketing segment has improved its contribution to operating earnings by 15 percent over the same period in 1989. This has been accomplished through significant increases in controlled barrels of crude oil and, consequently, gross revenues. The company expects Teufel, Tyler and Lee to continue to expand upon these positive trends.

Byron Teufel commenced his career as a crude oil representative for Koch Oil in the early 1980s. He has almost a decade of experience, with

increasing levels of responsibility in all aspects of the crude oil purchasing and marketing business. Most recently he was a partner in Producer Management Corporation, which was primarily engaged in consulting with producers and arranging for them opportunities to share in downstream profits. Teufel has a degree from East Central Oklahoma State University. He is married, with one child. After receiving his degree from the University of Southwest Louisiana, Rich Tyler started his crude oil purchasing and marketing career in 1981 in Kansas. He quickly moved to Koch Oil, where he remained for over eight years. Tyler managed Koch's Lafayette, La., office during his last three years with that company, where he was responsible for lease purchases of 48,000 barrels of oil per day. During 1990 he has been an independent crude oil representative for producers, doing business as Tyco Marketing. Tyler is married, with two children.

Jeff Lee received a BBA in Marketing from North Texas State University in 1980. Lee has eight years of experience as a crude oil representative with Tesoro Crude Oil Company. He also has sales and merchandising experience outside the crude oil business. Lee is married, and has one child.

Howell Corporation is an energy industry holding company. Through wholly-owned operating units, it is engaged in oil and gas exploration and production, crude oil marketing, technical fuels refining and marketing, custom chemical processing, product terminalling and common carrier bulk liquids transportation of hydrocarbons and chemicals.

CONTACT: Paul W. Funkhouser of Howell Corporation, 713-658-400

-30- 2645

#90226p5145 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEMPHIS, TN (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Cylix Communications Corporation today announced that France Cables et Radio (FCR), a subsidiary of France Telecom, has acquired a majority ownership interest in the Memphis-based company. Cylix President and CEO Bryan M. Eagle has retained a minority ownership position in the firm, which specializes in data communications networks and services for business.

Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

"France Cables et Radio welcomes Cylix into its family of companies," said FCR Chairman M. Alain Profit. "This constitutes our first majority position in a U.S. company, and we are impressed with the company's management and staff, its solid customer base and the desirability of its service offerings."

Profit said no major changes were expected in the operation of Cylix. "We

will operate the company as an independent subsidiary under its current management. Our goal is simply to provide the resources and backing necessary for Cylix to develop further its North American business as well as to explore sales opportunities overseas," Profit said.

Profit said FCR would provide additional information about the venture in September.

Cylix's Eagle said, "With our acquisition by France Cables et Radio, Cylix becomes part of one of the world's premier telecommunications firms."

"Our new parent company provides us with the financial backing we need for expansion and introduction of new services to our customers," Eagle said. "Having access to France Cables et Radio's advanced research and development capability is of particular significance to Cylix."

Through its new affiliation, Cylix will gain experience in new international markets for its communications networking services, particularly its custom-tailored VSAT (very small aperture terminal) equipment. In addition, it will have the capital to increase its communications connections to overseas points, a capability of increasing value to U.S. companies requiring fast, reliable links with customers and locations abroad.

"This is a significant strategic alliance with a strong international partner. We at Cylix are excited by the prospects opened to us by this acquisition," Eagle said.

France Cables et Radio provides a wide range of telecommunications services worldwide through operational divisions, subsidiaries and affiliates. These activities include operation of cable ships in Southeast Asia and in the Pacific and Northeast African and Caribbean regions as well as provision of technical and managerial support of public telecommunications networks for Pacific and African nations.

CONTACT: Bryan Eagle of Cylix, 901-766-0201; or Francois Leon of FCR, 011-33-1-4221-7204; or Jim Monroe of Fleishman-Hillard, 202-659-0330, for Cylix

-30- 3006

#90226p5147 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - GalVest, Inc. today reported net income of $253,000, or four cents per share, for the six months ended June 30, 1990. Revenues for the period were $1,110,000.

GalVest reported net income of $138,000, or two cents per share, for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990. Total revenues were $554,000 for the

quarter. The per share earnings are based upon weighted average shares outstanding of 6,637,673.

GalVest is a Houston-based energy company which was organized in March 1988 in connection with the Galaxy Oil Company bankruptcy proceedings. Global Natural Resources Inc. (AMEX: GNR) provides management to GalVest pursuant to the plan of reorganization.

The following tables summarize the unaudited operating results for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 1990.

CONTACT: David L. Pratt of GalVest, 713-880-5464

-30- 1042

#90226p5148 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINDSOR, ONTARIO (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Chairman Lee A. Iacocca today launched the 1991 minivans, the Dodge Caravan, Plymouth Voyager and Chrysler Town & Country, saying:

"Our '91 minivans are going to be another runaway success. They're destined to be a hit, but this time not just in North America.

"Five years from now," he said, "minivans will be as big a hit in Europe as they are in the U.S. and Canada. The minivan will be a staple in Europe, just as it's the staple to America's baby-boomers."

Iacocca spoke at ceremonies in Chrysler's Windsor (Ontario) Assembly Plant marking the production launch of the 1991 versions of the minivans that created a whole new market segment.

The Chrysler chairman said the minivans are one of the products he is most proud of in his 44 years in the automobile business.

Some will say we didn't do enough, that the '91 minivans are not exotic enough, Iacocca said.

But, he said, "You don't mess with success. You build on success. "You just don't walk away from something that's been so successful. You don't destroy everything you've done because it's time for a change.

"When you have the package right to begin with," Iacocca said, "the last thing you want to do is throw everything out the door and start over.

"The other guys never managed to beat our original, but we just did." Iacocca pointed out that 80 percent of the outside sheetmetal is new for 1991, there's 15 percent more glass area, and the interior is 100 percent new.

He said that other advantages in the '91 minivans include an instrument panel closer to the driver with clusters grouped for better access to controls, a glove box and storage bins, all-new seats plus a quad bucket seat option, rear shoulder belts, cup holders and juice box holders.

Other Chrysler minivan advantages new for 1991, Iacocca said, are anti-lock brakes and all-wheel-drive options, a new front suspension, a high-mounted safety brake light, and an inside sliding door handle.

Iacocca revealed that Chrysler tested the new design in Chicago last year. "We lined up the new minivan. We lined up our '90 minivan and five competitors and let everybody drive everything," he said.

"The overall impression," Iacocca said, (was) "our '91 minivan came in first. Second was our '90 minivan and then the rest of them."

He said Chrysler has invested $600 million in the 1991 minivans. "That's what it costs to replace the technology of the '80s with technology of the '90s," he said.

CONTACT: Tom Houston of Chrysler, 313-252-8790

-30- 2782

#90226p5149 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARMIEL, ISRAEL (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - S.P.I - Suspension and Parts Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: SPILF) today announced the results of operations for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales for the three-month period amounted to $3,714,883, compared with $3,812,502 for the second quarter of 1989. Net loss for the quarter amounted to $85,686, or $0.03 per share, compared with a net loss of $1,059,919, or $0.31 per share, for the same period last year.

Net sales for the first six months of the year amounted to $8,607,542, compared with $8,182,401 for the first half of 1989. The loss for the first half of 1990 was $428,960, or $0.13 per share, compared with a net loss of $1,248,648, or $0.37 per share, for the same period last year.

Sales in the second quarter were essentially equal to sales in the similar quarter this year. During the second quarter this year, however, sales to TACOM increased and, in fact, exceeded sales to the Israeli Ministry of Defense.

The company stated that technical production and quality control problems were continuing to negatively impact profitability. Management has taken various steps recently designed to improve efficiency and quality control.

During the quarter, provisions were made relating to expected losses on an order for M-109 road wheels and cancellation of an order from the Italian Army. Total provisions made for the first and second quarter of 1990 equalled $300,000.

In addition, during the quarter the company received $125,000 from TACOM, which was a price adjustment for orders delivered during 1989 and the first quarter of 1990.

Headquartered in Carmiel, Israel, S.P.I. designs, develops, manufactures and markets components for the suspension systems of a wide variety of military armored vehicles, including steel road wheels and support rollers sprocket wheels, track components and road wheel arms. The company believes it is currently one of the leading suppliers of steel road wheels used as spare parts by the United States Armed Forces and supplies substantially all the requirements of the Israel Defense Forces for steel road wheels, sprocket wheels, road wheel arms and certain track components.

SUSPENSION AND PARTS INDUSTRIES LTD.
Condensed Statement of Income
(In U.S. dollars -- Unaudited)

Three Months ended June 30;	1990	1989
Sales	$3,714,883	$3,812,502
Net income (loss)	(85,686)	(1,059,919)
Earnings (loss) per share	(0.03)	(0.31)
Weighted number of shares outstanding	3,394,500	3,394,500
Six Months ended June 30;	1990	1989
Sales	$8,607,542	$8,182,401
Net income (loss)	(428,960)	(1,248,648)
Earnings (loss) per share	(0.13)	(0.37)
Weighted number of shares outstanding	3,394,500	3,394,500

SUSPENSION AND PARTS INDUSTRIES LTD.
Balance Sheet Data
(In U.S. dollars -- Unaudited)

	June 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Current assets	$18,049,056	$15,923,202
Current liabilities	12,930,166	10,440,197
Shareholders' equity	23,472,275	21,697,963

CONTACT: Hildy Shandell of Fulbright Jaworski & Reavis McGrath, 212-486-9500, for S.P.I.

-30- 3647

#90226p5153 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Xscribe Corp. (NASDAQ: XSCR) announced today that its quarter ended June 30, 1990 resulted in a net loss of $930,000 or $.14 per share, compared to the net loss of $765,000 or $.12 per share for the same quarter of the previous year. Revenues in the current quarter were $3,736,000, compared to $3,319,000 for the comparable quarter of the prior year.

The company also announced today that, as of July 31, 1990, the outstanding borrowings under its line of credit totalled $3,400,000, the maximum available at that time. Also, as of that date, the company was in violation of certain financial covenants in the agreement. In August 1990, the company received a $300,000 increase to the maximum amount of borrowings available under its line of credit agreement with its bank and also has received a waiver of the financial covenants in the line of credit agreement until Oct. 31, 1990.

In addition, the company announced that its quarterly report on Form 10-Q has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Among other things, that report includes a more detailed discussion of the company's liquidity, financial condition and results of operations.

Suren G. Dutia, Xscribe's president and chief executive officer, commented on the results, "While our computer aided transcription (CAT) sales are up the continued price erosions have dramatically reduced our gross margins. The combination of this as well as the fact that we are in a historically slow season has negatively affected our operating results.

"We continue to be encouraged with our products, both new and old. We recently introduced our new StenoRam III Plus writing device with a disposable ribbon cartridge which we feel will be an attractive selling point with our customers. Our FirstCAT product allows court reporting students to use their mechanical writers with a CAT system. Our new PC-based captioning system makes closed captioning possible on a personal computer. Our DiscoveryBase litigation support software for attorneys has received good reviews within the legal profession. We are hopeful that these new products will help establish Xscribe's reputation as the technology leader in the legal profession."

Xscribe Corp. designs and markets a wide variety of high-technology software and hardware products for legal professionals, including computer aided transcription (CAT) systems for court reporters, microcomputer-based systems for litigation support, and real-time captioning systems for the hearing impaired.

CONTACT: Bruce C. Myers, CFO of Xscribe Corp., 619-457-5091

-30- 2842

#90226p5154 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO (AUG. 14) - At its meeting today, the board of directors of La Quinta Realty Corp., general partner of La Quinta Motor Inns Limited Partnership (NYSE: LQP) declared a cash distribution of $993,750 or 25 cents per limited partnership unit for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 will be paid Sept. 7, 1990, to unitholders of record as of Aug. 31, 1990.

Also at its meeting, the board of directors appointed Jerry N. Wiggins, senior vice president - Operations Support of La Quinta Motor Inns Inc. to the office of vice president of La Quinta Realty Corp. In addition, Wiggins has also been elected director of La Quinta Realty Corp.

La Quinta Motor Inns Limited Partnership owns 31 La Quinta Inns in 15 states. At July 31, 1990 there were over 200 La Quinta Inns in operation in 29 states.

CONTACT: Kim Armstrong of La Quinta Motor Inns Limited Partnership, 512-366-6030

-30- 1071

#90226p5157 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - National Media Corp. (NASDAQ: NMCO) today announced substantially increased profits before taxes of 40 cents per share for the June 30, 1990, first quarter on revenues of $52,637,300.

This compares to net income before taxes of 5 cents per share on revenues of $17,357,000 for the same period last year. Because it appears that the company will deplete its net operating loss carryforward for federal tax purposes of $4,598,200 by fiscal year end, the company has reserved $1,470,500 for taxes in the first quarter, to reduce net income after taxes to 27 cents per share.

This quarter's profits reflect continued profitable results from the television direct-marketing subsidiary and the introduction of new catalogs.

The company has taken several steps to streamline its operations, including the purchase of a new warehouse facility to be completed this month, and the expansion of its computer capacities, to economically handle the increased volume of transactions.

NATIONAL MEDIA CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

Three months ended June 30	1990	1989	Pct. Chg.
Net revenues	$52,637,300	$17,357,000	203.3
Income before income			

taxes	4,546,900	534,700	750.4
Net income per share before taxes	$.40	$.05	
Income taxes	1,470,500	58,200	NM
Net income	3,076,400	476,500	545.6
Net income per share	$.27	$.04(A)	575
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	11,430,729	11,003,121(A)	

(A) Adjusted for 5 percent stock dividend distributed Dec. 22, 1989.

CONTACT: William H. Campbell, vp and secretary of National Media Corp., 215-482-9800

-30- 2125

#90226p5158 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDEN, CO (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Canyon Resources Corp. (NASDAQ: CYNR), a Colorado-based mining company, today announced that NASDAQ has listed 2,923,732 warrants of Canyon for trading on the NASDAQ National Market. The new symbol for the warrants is "CYNRW." The warrants are convertible into Canyon $.01 par value common stock at an exercise price of $3.50 a share on or before Dec. 31, 1994.

On Aug. 13, 1990, the Securities and Exchange Commission declared effective an S-2 Registration Statement which registered 11,694,926 shares of common stock of Canyon Resources and the above-named warrants sold by the company in a $29,237,000 private placement in January 1990. In addition, the Registration Statement also registered 2,150,250 other previously unregistered securities issued earlier in separate transactions. Canyon currently has 20,947,335 shares of common stock issued and outstanding, all of which trade on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol "CYNR."

"The new listing of the warrants will provide another trading security in Canyon Resources for the investment community. The price of the warrants will be established by the registered market makers trading the warrants based upon market interest and activity," stated Richard H. De Voto, president.

Canyon Resources is currently producing gold and silver from the Kendall Mining District in Montana and is planning to develop three additional mines in Idaho, Montana, and California. The company also produces and sells industrial mineral products from a Nevada plant.

CONTACT: Linda J. Engel of Canyon Resources Corp., 303-278-8464

-30- 1804
#90226p5159 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Arcus, Inc. (NASDAQ: ARKS) today announced its results of operations for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990. Total revenues of $4,911,262 and $9,400,730 were up 28 percent and 25 percent respectively, from $3,837,646 and $7,540,324 in the comparable 1989 periods. Net income of $338,285 ($.05 per share) and $659,929 ($.09 per share) was up 12 percent and down 4 percent versus $301,599 ($.04 per share) and $688,182 ($.09 per share) in the 1989 periods.

During the three months ended June 30, 1990, earnings were negatively impacted because the company incurred initial marketing costs associated with a new electronic vaulting service and certain acquisition expenses totaling approximately $204,000. In commenting on the results, Thomas Seefurth, president of Arcus, stated, "We are very pleased with the continued growth of the company. Had it not been for the start-up and acquisition expenses referred to above, earnings would have been up sharply. We believe our investment of time and money in the electronic vaulting segment will begin to pay off in 1991. Our strong revenue growth in the second quarter came from each aspect of our business, especially in our Texas, Arizona and California markets. Because of the rapid growth in certain areas, several of the company's facilities are again at or near capacity. In response, Arcus is in the process of building new facilities and expanding the capacity of certain existing facilities in San Diego, Los Angeles and Phoenix. Additionally, as previously announced, our newest off-site data storage location was opened in July 1990 in Norcross, Ga. in order to serve the greater Atlanta marketplace."

Arcus, Inc. is a leading provider of security, storage and pick-up and delivery services for the off-site storage of magnetic media for companies desiring to protect their computer data against natural and man-made disasters.

ARCUS INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$4,911,262	$3,837,646	$9,400,730	$7,540,324
Cost of services rendered	1,978,320	1,422,413	3,698,223	2,789,029
S,G&A expenses	2,007,001	1,573,119	3,899,388	2,968,699
Depr. & amort.	390,463	328,555	750,864	654,133
Operating income	535,478	513,559	1,052,255	1,128,463
Interest income or				

(expense) net	34,010	(5,019)	45,179	16,407
Income before taxes based on income	569,488	508,540	1,097,434	1,144,870
Income taxes	231,203	206,941	437,505	456,688
Net income	338,285	301,599	659,929	688,182
Net income per share	.05	.04	.09	.09

CONTACT: Thomas Seefurth, president of Arcus Data Security, 800-347-6604

-30- 3358

#90226p5160 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitchell Energy & Development Corp.'s (AMEX: MND) directors today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 8 cents per share on the company's common stock. The dividend is payable Oct. 2 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 11.

CONTACT: Charles Simpson or Tony Lentini of Mitchell Energy & Development Corp., 713-377-5650

-30- 578

#90226p5161 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WASHINGTON, PA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Rhone-Poulenc Rorer (NYSE: RPR), one of the largest pharmaceutical companies in the world, was created on July 31, 1990, following the final steps of the combination of the human pharmaceuticals businesses of Rhone-Poulenc S.A. and Rorer Group Inc.

Rhone-Poulenc Rorer's second quarter 1990 results include the operations of Rhone-Poulenc's human pharmaceutical business (HPB) since May 5, 1990, the date of change of control when Rhone-Poulenc S.A. completed its tender offer for just over 50 percent of Rorer Group Inc.'s shares. The reported results prior to May, 1990, do not include any results from HPB.

Net sales for the 1990 second quarter were $696.6 million compared with $277.0 million reported in 1989 for Rorer alone (and $581.5 million for the businesses on a pro forma combined basis). For the six month period, net sales were $976.6 million compared with $518.2 million in 1989 for Rorer alone (and $822.7 million for the businesses on a pro forma combined basis).

The net loss for the second quarter of $178.1 million and for the six months of $185.8 million includes restructuring and special charges of $262.4 million and $289.3 million for the respective periods. These charges represent current and future estimated one-time costs.

Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. is a global pharmaceutical company dedicated to the discovery, development, manufacturing and marketing of human pharmaceuticals. Annualized worldwide sales for 1990 will be more than $3 billion and R&D expenditures approximate $400 million. The company operates in all major markets of the world.

RHONE-POULENC RORER INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss)
(Unaudited - dollars and shares in thousands except per-share data)

Periods Ended	Three months		Six months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$696,640	$277,032	$976,563	$518,201
Costs and expenses: Cost of products sold	258,376	100,579	355,638	192,286
Selling, delivery and administrative expenses	281,452	109,710	404,487	203,960
Research and development expenses	83,303	30,026	113,209	56,973
Interest expense	40,893	14,601	56,659	27,677
Interest income	(8,801)	(2,774)	(17,991)	(6,378)
Restructuring and special charges	262,387	--	289,256	--
Other expenses, net	11,089	6,099	18,386	10,088
	928,699	258,241	1,219,644	484,606
Income (loss) before income taxes	(232,059)	18,791	(243,081)	33,595
Income tax expense (benefit)	(53,953)	6,389	(57,287)	11,422
Net income (loss)	$(178,106)	$ 12,402	$ (185,794)	$ 22,173
Net income (loss) per share	$(3.07)	$.39	$(3.95)	$.70
Cash dividends per share	$.21	$.20	$.42	$.40
Average shares outstanding	57,968(A)	31,929	47,060	31,880

(A) Average shares outstanding were adjusted to reflect the shares issued in connection with the Rorer/HPB merger.

Rhone-Poulenc Rorer second quarter and six months results include operations of Rhone-Poulenc's human pharmaceutical business (HPB) since May 5, 1990, the date of change of control when Rhone-Poulenc S.A.

completed its tender offer for just over 50 percent of Rorer's shares. The reported results prior to May 1990 do not include any results from HPB.

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#90226p5162 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Bio-Technology General Corp. (NASDAQ: BTGC) announced today the commencement of a new clinical trial utilizing the company's formulation of artificial tears for the treatment of dry eye syndrome (keratoconjunctivitissicca). This formulation contains pharmaceutical-grade hyaluronic acid produced by the company's patented bacterial fermentation technique.

Dry eye syndrome is one of the most common underdiagnosed and misdiagnosed ophthalmological problems. It occurs in both sexes, at any age, and in individuals who are otherwise completely healthy.

With the growing use of soft contact lenses, dry eye syndrome is being diagnosed with increasing frequency in younger individuals, resulting in an increasing demand for effective therapy. Preliminary studies suggest that the company's product is efficacious in relieving many of the symptoms of dry eye syndrome such as pain, photophobia, foreign body sensation and itching.

Earlier this year, the company announced two clinical trials testing the viscoelastic properties of its other hyaluronic acid-based product, OphtHA (TM), in ophthalmic surgical procedures. OphtHA has been submitted to the Israeli regulatory authorities and an approval to market is pending.

Last year, the company's licensee for pharmaceutical-grade hyaluronic acid in Japan, JCR Pharmaceuticals Co., Ltd., undertook a comprehensive program in Japan to develop a variety of ophthalmic, orthopedic and other agents incorporating the company's pharmaceutical- grade hyaluronic acid. These applications are estimated to have a current annual market of $250 million.

Bio-Technology General Corp. is principally engaged in the research, development and manufacture of genetically engineered products for human and animal health care.

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#90226p5164 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CORTLAND, N.Y. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Marietta Corporation (NASDAQ: MRTA), announced today sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine months of fiscal 1990, ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 were $16,893,378 up 22 percent from last year's third quarter results of $13,896,267. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $1,173,849, an increase of 31 percent over third quarter 1989 results of $893,937. Earnings per share were $.31 based on a weighted average number of 3,737,915 shares in 1990 compared to $.36 in 1989, based on a weighted average number of 2,510,604 shares outstanding.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1990 net sales were $45,433,736, compared to $29,514,738 in the first nine months of fiscal 1989, representing an increase of 54 percent. Net income for the nine month period was $3,138,281, a 54 percent increase over $2,042,204 in the first nine months of fiscal 1989. Earnings per share were $.90 in the first nine months of 1990 versus $.92 in the comparable period of 1989. Per share calculations are based on a weighted average of 3,501,248 shares in 1990 and 2,222,185 shares in 1989.

Marietta president John Nadolski commented on the third quarter financial results for the company. "We are pleased with the 22 percent growth in sales and the 31 percent increase in net income for the third quarter of fiscal 1990. Marietta's gross profit margin improved this quarter in relation to last year's third quarter, as well as in relation to the second quarter of fiscal 1990."

"The improvement in the gross profit margin is largely the result of greater production efficiencies generated at the company's soap facilities. Additionally, we have benefited from price increases on selected products as well as increased sales on the company's stock product lines.

"Selling, general and administrative expenses increased as a percentage of sales in the third quarter, primarily due to the addition of new sales and support personnel to facilitate the future growth of the company. Our guest amenities efforts have undergone extensive restructuring in the third quarter including the termination of our relationship with manufacturers representatives who previously sold our products. Our selling expenses for the third quarter included commissions paid to these manufacturers representatives. Although our selling expense has increased as a percentage of sales for the short- term, we feel that the long-term interest of the company will be best served by using a direct sales force."

Nadolski concluded, "We look forward to continued growth and profitability for our company for fiscal 1990 and beyond."

Marietta Corporation specializes in the design, manufacture, packaging, marketing and distribution of guest amenity programs to the travel and lodging industry in the United States and abroad, and provides customized "sample-size" and "unit-of-use" packaging products and services to major consumer products companies in the toiletries, cosmetics and pharmaceutical industries.

MARIETTA CORPORATION
Summary of Earnings

Third fiscal quarter ended June 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$16,893,378	$13,896,267
Net income	1,173,849	893,937
Earnings per share	$.31	$.36
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,737,915	2,510,604
Nine months ended June 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$45,433,736	$29,514,738
Net income	3,138,281	2,042,204
Earnings per share	$.90	$.92
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,501,248	2,222,185

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#90226p5167 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Elcor Corporation (NYSE: ELK) said today that results for both its fourth quarter and fiscal year ending June 30, 1990, were improved over the prior year periods. A relatively small loss in this year's fourth quarter was in line with the company's June 25, 1990 announcement regarding its outlook for fiscal 1990. For the full year, Elcor was profitable, compared with a substantial loss in fiscal 1989.

FOURTH QUARTER RESULTS For the fourth quarter ending June 30, 1990, a loss before extraordinary item of $567,000, or $.08 per share, together with an extraordinary item tax loss carryforward debit of $417,000, or $.06 per share, resulted in a net loss of $984,000, or $.14 per share, compared to a net loss of $5,973,000, or $.85 per share, in the prior year quarter. Sales were $38,783,000, compared to $39,545,000 last year.

FISCAL YEAR JUNE 30, 1990 RESULTS In the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990, income before extraordinary item of $1,804,000, or $.26 per share, plus an extraordinary item tax loss carryforward benefit of $804,000, or $.11 per share, combined for net income of $2,608,000, or $.37 per share, compared to a net loss of $5,604,000, or $.80 per share, last year. Sales of

$150,835,000 were up from $147,405,000 in the prior year.

Roy E. Campbell, Elcor president, said, "Unusually heavy rains, which plagued portions of the southwestern United States this spring, temporarily reduced normal roofing installation in this important market area, resulting in a lower level of premium laminated fiberglass asphalt shingle shipments than had been expected during the fourth quarter. Even though roofing products shipments in the fourth quarter were lower than last year, operating profits for this segment were substantially higher than the year-ago level as a result of improved prices. However, the improved profitability for this segment was not enough to offset lower-than-expected operating results from our industrial products business.

Elcor manufactures roofing products and industrial products. Each of Elcor's principal operating subsidiaries is the leader or one of the leaders within its particular market.

Elcor's roofing products facilities are located in Dallas and Ennis, Texas; Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Boca Raton, Miami, and Pompano Beach, Fla. Its industrial products facilities are located in Chicago, Ill.; Cleveland, Ohio; Dallas, Lufkin, Midland, and Waco, Texas.

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#90226p5168 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Foote, Cone & Belding Communications Inc. (NYSE: FCB) today voted a quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share, payable on Oct. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 17, 1990.

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#90226p5170 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, MI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - William H. Oberlin has been appointed chief operating officer of ALC Communications Corporation (NASDAQ: ALCC), announced John M. Zrno, ALC Communications president and chief executive officer.

Oberlin joined the company as executive vice president of sales and marketing in September 1988. ALC Communications is the parent company of Allnet Communication Services, Inc., one of the nation's largest providers of long-distance telephone service.

Oberlin is responsible for the company's sales and marketing areas, including sales, sales force development, customer service, new product development and marketing communications. In addition to the departments previously reporting to him, Oberlin has new responsibility for the company's operations functions, including management information systems, network planning, operations, engineering and billing.

According to Zrno, this appointment gives Oberlin responsibility for all units within the company that develop, sell and deliver service to customers.

Oberlin has more than 23 years' experience in sales and marketing management in the telecommunications industry. He also holds a B.A. in economics from Rutgers University.

ALC Communications Corporation and Allnet Communication Services, Inc. are headquartered in Birmingham. Allnet serves customers nationwide and specializes in providing long-distance services to small- and medium-size businesses. ALC Communications common stock is traded over the counter.

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#90226p5172 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, N.C. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - McM Corporation (NASDAQ: MCMC) reports a consolidated net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990 of $1,886,000 or $.40 per share compared to a net loss of $1,288,000 or $.28 per share for the same period in 1989. Consolidated gross revenues for the first half of 1990 were $72,491,000 compared to $83,173,000 for the first half of 1989. Included in revenues are realized investment losses of $213,000 compared to gains of $218,000 for 1989.

The consolidated net loss for the second quarter of 1990 was $1,280,000 or $.27 per share compared to a loss of $1,476,000 or $.32 per share for the second quarter of 1989.

Shareholders' equity at June 30, 1990 totalled $42,047,000 or $8.99 per share compared to $44,648,000 or $9.55 per share at December 31, 1989. Consolidated assets were $494,329,000 at June 30, 1990 compared to $502,172,000 at December 31, 1989.

Sales levels for ordinary life and health products were approximately 5 percent above those of the prior year while direct written premium for property and casualty operations increased by approximately 3 percent. Total insurance revenues were $56,541,000 for the first six months of 1990 compared to $63,826,000 for 1989. The decline in insurance revenues primarily reflects reduced credit insurance related revenues for which

sales were discontinued in the latter part of 1989.

Operating results for the period reflect continued improvement in ongoing property and casualty programs. Although these favorable results were largely offset by losses on discontinued property and casualty programs, we are hopeful that the second half of the year will show profits in the Property and Casualty Division.

Life and Health Division results continue to show higher than expected loss ratios on ordinary accident and health business. The Company is continuing its efforts to improve the overall loss ratio on this business.

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#90226p5173 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Sequa Corporation posted higher revenues and net income levels for the second quarter of 1990. Results for the period reflect improvement in the company's aerospace and specialty chemicals groups, principally at businesses serving the jet engine, rocket motor, and overseas detergent chemicals markets.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, Sequa's sales and revenues rose to $568.4 million from $482.8 million in the second quarter of 1989. After-tax income from continuing operations advance to $19.7 million or $1.94 per primary share from $16.9 million or $1.54 per primary share. In the 1989 quarter, the results of discontinued operations increased net income by $1.3 million or 13 cents per primary share; results for 1990's second quarter were not affected by discontinued businesses. Per share results for 1990 are based on approximately 9.6 million shares outstanding; whereas 1989 results were based on 10.3 million shares outstanding.

For the first six months of 1990, Sequa's sales and revenues advanced to $1.1 billion from $930.5 million in the same period of 1989. After tax income from continuing operations totaled $38.0 million or $3.72 per primary share, compared with $38.5 million or $3.54 per primary share in the first half of 1989.

Net income in the 1989 period was increased $152,000 or one cent per share by the results of discontinued operations. These businesses did not have an effect on net income for the six months of 1990.

The increase in Sequa's sales and revenues for the second quarter reflects advances at five of the company's six operating groups. Two of these -- aerospace and specialty chemicals -- also achieved gains in operating

income for the period.

The aerospace group, Sequa's largest business unit, posted a 23 percent increase in sales and a 9 percent increase in operating income for the second quarter. Sales advanced for all three business units in the group and profits were higher for the Gas Turbine and ARC propulsion units. The Kollsman division operated at a loss in the second quarter of both 1990 and 1989. The growth of Gas Turbine's second quarter profits was moderated by the inclusion of several newly acquired businesses, which, as anticipated, did not contribute to income.

Results of businesses in the machinery and metal coatings group were mixed during the second quarter, with the result that sales for the group increased moderately while operating income decreased. A sharp decline in sales of can forming equipment, combined with higher marketing and research expenses at the press equipment unit, reduced profits for the group.

Within the transportation group, The Valley Line barge unit recorded higher loadings during the second quarter; however a decline in freight rates and rising fuel costs offset the benefits of volume improvement.

The specialty chemicals group posted sharply higher results for the quarter, with both the domestic and overseas units contributing to the gain. Performance was particularly strong at the overseas unit, where demand for detergent chemicals has remained high.

Among the balance of Sequa's businesses, the ARC professional services units, which serve the military contract market, declined in the second quarter, while the smaller engineered services units, which serve the petroleum and process industries, posted improved results. For the group as a whole, second quarter sales and revenues were unchanged from 1989, and operating income was 20 percent lower.

The financial services group, which centers on Sequa Capital, a leasing and asset-based financing unit, generated higher revenues for the second quarter. However, due to an increase in reserves, operating income declined for the period.

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#90226p5174 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ampal-American Israel Corp. (AMEX: AIS.A) reported net income of $714,000 equal to $.03 per Class A share for the three months ended June 30.

Net income for the six months ended June 30 was $1,815,000 equal to $.08 per Class A share. Ampal's entire earnings for the full year of 1989 amounted to $1,509,000.

The corporation also announced the signing of agreements between its industrial banking subsidiaries in Israel and Bank Hapoalim B.M., the corporation's parent, with respect to the sale of substantially all the loan portfolios of the subsidiaries to Bank Hapoalim. The transaction, which is based on the book value of the portfolios at Dec. 31, 1989 was previously announced and is subject to receipt of consents from trustees for three debenture issues sold to the public in Israel by one of the subsidiaries.

Ampal-American Israel Corp. and its subsidiaries are engaged in industrial agricultural, real estate, hotel and tourist enterprises in Israel.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(unaudited)

	3 months ended 6/30		6 months ended 6/30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$30,097,000	$31,377,000	$61,895,000	$65,482,000
Income before extraordinary income	$ 714,000	$ 522,000	$ 1,815,000	$ 2,128,000
Extraordinary income (a)	--	100,000	--	655,000
Net income	$ 714,000	$ 622,000	$ 1,815,000	$ 2,783,000
Earnings before extraordinary income	$ .03	$ .02	$ .08	$ .09
Extraordinary income (a)	--	.01	--	.03
Earnings per Class A share	$ .03	$ .03	$ .08	$ .12

(a) Represents the utilization of a tax loss carryforward by a subsidiary.

	6/30/90	12/31/89
	(audited)	
Total assets	$1,050,852,000	$1,100,756,000
Shareholders' equity	$ 109,547,000	$ 108,327,000

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#90226p5175 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Responding to the needs of its subscribers, Individual, Inc. has increased its coverage of the global high-technology market by adding three new information sources. Comline, Computergram, and Newsbytes News Network give Individual's customized information product, First!, a deeper, more comprehensive capture of high-tech news from around the world.

Each of the three additional sources has a unique, value-added approach to covering the market. Based in the U.K., Computergram employs more than 30 correspondents around the globe to cover computer industry developments on a daily basis. Not only reporting on events, their journalists also add expert, European-flavored analysis to stories from Europe, Japan, and the U.S. Computergram's particular strengths include UNIX, open computing, and telecommunications.

Newsbytes News Network, the oldest weekly on-line computer industry news service, combines technology coverage with its own expert analysis. It has four U.S. and seven international news bureaus, including the first Soviet bureau for a daily computer service. Newsbytes has recently moved from a weekly to a daily format and continues to specialize in significant micro-computer and consumer technology news worldwide. It won the Best Online Publication award from the Computer Press Association in both 1986 and 1990.

The third new resource, Comline, concentrates on events occurring in Japan. Its daily English-language transmissions include both overnight summary translations of Japanese sources and its own reporters' investigative research. Comline offers the most comprehensive coverage of Japanese electronics, computers, telecommunications, and industrial automation news.

Individual, Inc., based in Cambridge, Mass., (617-354-2230) with offices in Burlingame, Calif., was established in 1988 to build and operate an information refiner, filtering and customizing information from a broad spectrum of electronic sources. The company applies advanced technologies to spread the power of knowledge to business professionals worldwide.

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#90226p5177 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Land O'Lakes, Inc. reported six month earnings of $26.5 million, up 25 percent over the same period in 1989. The Twin Cities based food and agricultural cooperative had earnings increases in all of its major agricultural supply and dairy/foods businesses.

Net sales for the period were $1.3 billion, up slightly from 1989. Strong volume increases contributed to feed division earnings in excess of $12 million for the period, an increase of nearly $5 million. Farmer acceptance of a new multi-leaf alfalfa contributed to earnings in the seed division far outpacing 1989. Earnings in plant foods and crop protection products were up 43 percent due primarily to volume increases and market share growth.

The cooperatives' Dairy Foods area recorded a substantial increase in earnings resulting from a one-time gain. Lower margins, particularly in cheese and whey were offset by improved margins in spread products due to stronger volumes.

Land O'Lakes reported total assets of $721 million, and a continued strengthening of its balance sheet.

The cooperative is owned by and supplies agricultural inputs to 500,000 farmers and ranchers from Wisconsin to the Pacific Northwest. It also processes and markets more than 600 food products across the nation.

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#90226p5179 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Vanguard Cellular Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: VCELA) announced today that total revenues increased to $16,231,000 in the second quarter primarily due to a rise in service revenues, which increased to $13,561,000 as compared to $7,677,000 for the same period one year ago, a 77 percent increase. This also represents a 22 percent increase in service revenues over the immediately preceeding quarter which resulted from greater subscriber penetration and usage. Loss from operations before depreciation and amortization decreased from $5,984,000 to $2,067,000 between the second quarters of 1989 and 1990 respectively, and net loss for the 1990 second quarter declined 18 percent to $9,792,000 or $0.47 net loss per share.

Stephen R. Leeolou, Vanguard's Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer commented, "We are very encouraged by our mangement and staff's ability in all our locations to control expenditures while continuing to attract and maintain high quality subscribers. It is essential that we continue to provide quality services to present and potential customers in order to maintain our revenue growth."

The total number of customers in markets controlled by the Company increased 13 percent during the second quarter to 50,000 representing an overall penetration rate of .98 percent. The second quarter's addition of

5,600 customers was the second best quarter in the history of the Company. "We are especially pleased in reaching this subscriber milestone during a period when we opted to reduce advertising and promotion while completing the reorganization of our distribution network," commented Leeolou. "The results of that reorganization can already be seen in declining incremental marketing and sales costs and a more efficient direct sales force."

During the quarter, the Company began the conversion to its new internally developed customer billing and records system in two of its regional systems. The new billing system is expected to improve cash flow through more expedient billing and collection cycles. It also provides the Company with instant access to customer information enabling its customer service department to provide higher quality customer care while providing all customers with a more reliable easy-to-read bill. "Flexible billing and Management Information Systems are critical to the success of any telecommunications firm these days," according to Leeolou. "We are therefore considering the feasibility of offering our systems as a package to other companies."

Vanguard Cellular Systems, Inc. headquarterd in Greensboro, North Carolina directly and indirectly owns interest in and operates cellular telephone sytems primarily in the Eastern United States.

VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	3 Months Ended June 30		6 Months Ended June 30,	
	1989	1990	1989	1990
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Revenues:				
Service fees	$ 7,677	$ 13,561	$ 13,700	$ 24,642
Cellular telephone leases	342	200	732	428
Cellular telephone sales	2,139	2,247	4,471	5,045
Cellular directory advertising fees	139	223	139	472
	10,297	16,231	19,042	30,587
Cost and Expenses:				
Cost of service	3,033	4,327	5,545	7,527
Cost of cellular telephone leases	429	386	873	766
Cost of cellular telephone sales	3,535	2,306	5,763	5,109
Cost of cellular directory publication	316	292	582	795
Marketing and selling	4,084	4,270	8,497	8,658
General and administrative	4,884	6,717	9,077	13,373

Depreciation and amortization of deferred cellular license acquisition costs	2,842	3,049	5,402	6,854
	19,123	21,347	35,739	43,082
Loss from Operations	(8,826)	(5,116)	(16,697)	(12,495)
Equity in losses of unconsolidated cellular entities	(159)	(329)	(295)	(578)
Gain on exchanges of cellular interests	646	--	994	620
Interest expense	(4,478)	(4,701)	(7,881)	(8,939)
Interest income	350	140	531	363
Loss Before Minority Interests	(12,467)	(10,006)	(23,348)	(21,029)
Minority interests	523	214	802	313
Net Loss	$(11,944)	$ (9,792)	$(22,546)	$(20,716)
Net Loss Per Share	$ (0.58)	$ (0.47)	$ (1.10)	$ (1.01)
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding	20,442,586	20,645,934	20,431,177	20,606,643

Effective April 1, 1990 the Company changed its amortization period for licensing costs from 20 years to 40 years to conform with industry practices. The effect of this change was to reduce depreciation and amortization for the quarter by $991. Accordingly, net loss per share was decreased for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990 by $0.05.

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#90226p5180 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, N.J. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Clinical Homecare Ltd. today reported revenue of $4,618,161 for the second quarter of 1990, an increase of 63 percent over the same period in the prior year. The acquisition of NMSA accounted for 42 percent of the increase. Net income for the quarter amounted to $175,577, a decrease of 42 percent under the prior year's second quarter. This decrease was attributed to increased expenses in connection with the acquisition and the company's going public.

Revenue for the six months ended June 30, 1990 amounted to $7,503,322, increasing 34 percent over the same period last year. Net income for the six months amounted to $318,397, decreasing 47 percent when compared to the same period last year.

Management said it was pleased with the results and expects the operating efficiencies adopted within the NMSA organization to be in place during

the third quarter.

Clinical Homecare Ltd., based in Fairfield, N.J., is a provider of infusion therapy to patients in the home.

CLINICAL HOMECARE LTD.

Periods ended	Quarter		Six months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$4,618,161	$2,834,522	$7,503,322	$5,617,094
Net income	175,577	303,063	318,397	605,009
Average shares o/s	6,977,627	--	6,907,869	--
Earnings per share	.03	--	.05	--

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#90226p5184 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Penn Treaty American Corp. (NASDAQ: PTAC) today reported that net income for the three months ended June 30 increased to $1,346,576, equal to 42 cents per share, compared with $1,008,043, or 40 cents per share, for the same three-month period of the previous year.

Total revenues for the quarter rose to $10,818,902 from $7,378,489 in the same quarter of the previous year. Net income for the six months ended June 30 increased to $2,802,244, equal to 87 cents per share, compared with $2,057,135, or 82 cents per share, for the same six-month period in 1989. Total revenues for the six months rose to $20,816,436 from $13,961,802 for the same period of the previous year.

Penn Treaty American Corp., through its wholly owned direct and indirect subsidiaries, Penn Treaty Life Insurance Co., Network America Life Insurance Co. and Cher-Britt Service Co., is primarily engaged in the underwriting, marketing and sale of individual fixed defined benefit accident and health insurance policies covering principally long-term skilled, intermediate and custodial nursing home care and home health care. The company is currently licensed to conduct business in 43 states and the District of Columbia.

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#90226p5186 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The H.W. Kaufman Financial Group (NASDAQ: HWKF) announced today that its board of directors has declared a 3-for-2 stock split for shareholders of record on Aug. 31, 1990, payable

Sept. 10, 1990. The board also approved listing of the company's shares to be traded on the American Stock Exchange, which is expected to occur on or about Sept. 6, 1990.

"We believe the combined effect of these two actions will be a stronger and more orderly market for our stock," said Herbert W. Kaufman, chairman and chief executive officer. "These moves also highlight the company's growth and progress, and its strong outlook for the future."

The H.W. Kaufman Financial Group currently has 1.87 million shares outstanding with an estimated public float (shares not held by insiders) of 357,000. The 3-for-2 split will increase the total number of shares outstanding to 2.81 million, and the estimated public float to 535,500. The total market value of the company's present shares outstanding is approximately $11.2 million.

In discussing the company's decision to list its shares on the American Stock Exchange, Kaufman said, "We believe the American Stock Exchange will provide greater support and visibility for our company, and will ultimately serve our shareholders well. We may also examine, on an ongoing basis, further opportunities to increase our shares outstanding through stock splits or other means."

The H.W. Kaufman Financial Group, with 1989 revenues of $19.4 million and earnings per share (pre-split) of $.54, is a leading general agent and broker of specialty insurance products and services provided through three wholly owned subsidiaries: Burns & Wilcox Ltd., Service General, and Royal Premium Budget.

Burns & Wilcox Ltd. focuses on the business and commercial specialty insurance market, helping independent agents gain access to non-standard property and casualty, professional liability, marine and automobile underwriting. It operates 22 branch offices serving 46 states.

Service General is a subsidiary of Burns & Wilcox Ltd. acquired in 1983. It specializes in standard and non-standard personal insurance lines, provided to agents through four offices serving 14 states.

Royal Premium Budget, Inc. was established in 1988 and engages in premium financing in Michigan and Missouri for Burns & Wilcox Ltd., and intends to expand into additional states. In 1989, it acquired the insurance premium loan portfolio of Comerica, Inc. (OTC: CMCA). Royal Premium Budget generates interest income revenues of $73,800.

In 1989, the H.W. Kaufman Financial Group achieved record levels of premium volume, and commission and fee revenues. Premium volume is a measure of the company's level of business activity, although it is not reported on the company's financial statements. Commission and fee

revenue is equivalent to total revenues or sales. As of the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, the company was on track to achieve new record levels of premium volume, and commission and fee revenues.

Kaufman has achieved steady growth in premium volume and commission and fee revenues over the last five years despite an industrywide soft-market cycle. In June, Kaufman said the company expects "to achieve a new record level of commission and fee revenue for 1990 in the $21-24 million range on the strength of record premium volume, which is expected to exceed $100 million compared to $93 million in 1989. Based on our first-half results and continued branch office expansion, we believe these levels are achievable.

"Over the last five years for the insurance industry as a whole, and since 1987 for the H.W. Kaufman Financial Group, the average rates per policy have been steadily dropping," Kaufman said. "Fortunately for us, we've been able to overcome this trend and increase total revenues by expanding the number of policies written from 8,700 in 1987 to 17,300 at the end of 1989, an increase of 99 percent. Moreover, this upward trend has continued into 1990. In fact, we're projecting that over 22,000 policies will be written this year."

Kaufman continued by saying, "In the insurance industry, a soft market refers to a cycle in which policies are written at generally lower rates as a way to generate funds for investment purposes. The soft market started about the same time that interest rates were swelling in the mid-1980s, and insurance rates have been falling since that time as insurers have been competing for available investment dollars. In fact, Kaufman's average premium per policy declined 23 percent since 1987 from an average of $6,930 to $5,290 per policy in 1989.

"However, beginning in the fourth quarter of 1989 and continuing through the second quarter of 1990, we've noted that the average premium per policy has stabilized and is no longer declining."

Since 1982, the H.W. Kaufman Financial Group has added 19 new branch offices, including its most recent opening in New Jersey in January and last week's acquisition of an additional operation in St. Louis. Aggressive expansion of branch offices and new products have allowed the company to more than double in size since 1986, despite the soft-market conditions that have been prevalent.

Two weeks ago, the company announced that it was in negotiations and due diligence was in process for the acquisition of an unnamed specialty agent and broker. Kaufman said he is hopeful that the acquisition will be completed by Oct. 1.

The company is based in Southfield, and its common shares are currently

traded on NASDAQ under the symbol HWKF.

CONTACT: Herbert W. Kaufman of H.W. Kaufman Financial Group, Inc., 313-354-0200; or Dan Reid, 312-266-7800, or Nancy Eichorn, 212-661-8030, both of The Financial Relations Board, Inc., for H.W. Kaufman Financial Group

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Stage II Apparel Corp. (AMEX: SA), one of the nation's largest distributors of popular priced brand-name men's and boys' casual apparel and activewear, today reported financial results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Net profit for the six months was $16,000, or 0 cents per share, on net sales of $40,037,000, compared with net income of $1,635,000, or 38 cents per share, on sales of $42,425,000 for the comparable six months last year on fewer shares outstanding. Average number of shares outstanding decreased to 4,252,000 in 1990 from 4,277,000 in 1989 as a result of the company's purchase of treasury stock.

Net loss for the quarter was $757,000, or 18 cents per share, on net sales of $15,367,000, compared with net income of $379,000, or 9 cents per share on sales of $20,171,000 for the comparable quarter last year, on fewer shares outstanding. Average number of shares outstanding decreased to 4,245,000 in 1990 from 4,277,000 in 1989, as a result of the company's purchase of treasury stock.

Jack Clark, chairman of the board, expressed optimism concerning the future. "The company continues to pay dividends, and all losses relative to the bankruptcy of Ames (a major customer of the company) have been reflected in this quarter's figures," he stated. "The future bookings are strong, and the company should benefit from overhead cuts and the strong names and lines that have been developed for the future. The financial results for the rest of this year will be no worse than those of this quarter, and I am confident that the company will return to profitability in the near future."

CONTACT: Philip London, chief financial officer of Stage II Apparel, 516-567-9300

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#90226p5188 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Products and Chemicals Inc. (NYSE: APD) has sold a 50-percent equity interest in a $190-million cogeneration project under construction in Cambria County, Pa., to Energy

Investors Fund LP of Boston.

The equity sale, which is valued at $30 million, will produce approximately a $6.0-million after-tax net income impact, or $.11 per share, in Air Products' fourth quarter ending Sept. 30.

When completed next spring, the Cambria facility will burn waste coal to generate approximately 80 megawatts of electricity for sale to Pennsylvania Electric Co. It will also produce steam to heat a nearby nursing home and to dry coal at a local mine. The electricity and steam supply contracts will have an initial term of 20 years. The facility is located approximately 70 miles east of Pittsburgh near the town of Ebensburg.

Air Products' cogeneration business is part of the company's rapidly expanding environmental and energy portfolio which also includes waste-to-energy and flue gas desulfurization systems. These businesses offer substantial growth as the United States addresses intensifying needs for solid waste disposal, cleaner air, and energy production utilizing domestically available alternative fuels, such as coal and waste coals. The company and its partners are presently investing $1.2 billion in six environmental and energy projects which are in operation or construction. One of these projects is a $100-million, 49-megawatt cogeneration plant in Stockton, Calif. This facility is recognized as one of the most reliable circulating fluidized-bed, coal-fired power plants in the United States.

Energy Investors Fund, L.P. is a Boston-based partnership whose general partners are John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., HYDRA-CO Enterprises Inc., KENETECH Corp. and Pacific Generation Co. The fund raised approximately $160 million from 17 investors to invest as equity in independent power/alternate energy projects. Since its establishment in Sept. 1989, the fund has invested in 5 projects, with the Cambria cogeneration project being its largest and only waste-coal project. Each of the Fund's general partners is engaged in energy project investment or development and brings diversified expertise and relevant experience to the fund's investment program.

Air Products and Chemicals Inc. has annual sales approaching $3.0 billion, operations in 22 countries, and 14,000 employees. Corporate headquarters are near Allentown.

CONTACT: Kevin J. Ramundo of Air Products, 215-481-4346, or Herbert Magid of Energy Investors Management Inc., 617-572-4639

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#90226p5191 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Mizlou Communications Company, Inc.

(NASDAQ: MZLUL, MZLU) today reported operating results for its third quarter and nine-month periods ended June 30, 1990. In the three month period, Mizlou recorded revenues of $283,067, an 18 percent increase over the $238,959 reported in the same period in 1989. Net losses increased to $5,590,177, or $.37 per share, compared to a net loss of $746,886, or $.05 per share, reported in the year-ago quarter. This increase is due primarily to production costs and selling and promotional expenses related to the company's Sports News Network (SNN), the nation's first and only 24-hour, 7-day-a-week sports cable news network which was launched on Feb. 1, 1990.

For the nine months ended June 30, Mizlou reported revenues of $983,771 versus $2,292,267 for the same period in 1989. Net loss was $10,732,440 or $.71 per share, compared to $361,975, or $.02 per share, in the year-ago nine months.

Mark Wenzel, chief operating officer, commented, "The three-month and nine-month results reflect the rapid growth of our SNN operations and its attendant production costs, start-up expenses and selling and promotional expenses and, in the nine-month period, lower revenues from sports events broadcasting. In the past six months, SNN has signed agreements with cable operators serving 17.5 million homes and with over 20 major advertisers."

MIZLOU COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
June 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$283,067	$238,959	$983,771	$2,292,267
Total expenses	5,560,098	1,284,683	11,249,318	2,676,864
Net inc. (loss)	(5,302,417)	(746,886)	(10,316,787)	(361,975)
Preferred dividend requirements	287,760	--	415,653	--
Loss applicable to com. shares	(5,590,177)	(746,886)	(10,732,440)	(361,975)
Loss per com. share	($.37)	($.05)	($.71)	($.02)
Avg. no of shares outstanding	15,275,405	14,641,894	15,066,006	14,641,894

CONTACT: Jon Steinlauf, executive vice president of Mizlou, 212-244-3750, or Alex Ross of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Mizlou

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#90226p5194 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLAINVIEW, N.Y. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Astrex, Inc. (AMEX: ASI), today

reported results for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

ASTREX, INC.
Summary of Operations (000 omitted)

First quarter ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$4,340	$4,799
Loss from operations	(355)	(129)
Income - extraordinary item	--	482(A)
Net (loss) income	$ (355)	$ 353
Earnings (loss) per share:		
Operations	$(0.33)	$(0.12)
Extraordinary item	--	0.45(A)
Net (loss) income	$(0.33)	$ 0.33
Number of common & common equivalent shares	1,074	1,074

(A) -- Net gain on repurchase of debentures.

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Astrex

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DETROIT (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors dealers in the United States today reported the following vehicle sales:

	Period Aug. 1-10		Calendar Year(a) Jan. 1-Aug. 10	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Vehicles	112,267	143,821	3,194,793	3,278,948
Percent Change Per S/D	-21.9	---	-2.6	---
Total Cars	69,815	91,287	2,119,819	2,222,259
Percent Change Per S/D	-23.5	---	-4.6	---
Total Trucks	42,452	52,534	1,074,974	1,056,689
Percent Change Per S/D	-19.2	---	+1.7	---

DIVISION (Total Vehicles)	Period Aug. 1-10 1990	1989	Calendar Year Jan. 1-Aug. 10 1990	1989
Chevrolet	65,345	79,603	1,724,644	1,718,345
Pontiac	14,347	16,903	423,358	444,019

Oldsmobile	9,629	15,415	338,189	383,997
Buick	10,671	14,319	327,623	340,092
Cadillac	3,910	6,693	157,537	159,282
GMC	8,365	10,888	223,442	233,213
Domestic Sales				
Cars	65,611	84,310	1,999,276	2,114,803
Lt. Duty Trucks	41,818	51,079	1,051,296	1,027,601

NOTE: Nine selling days (S/D) in the Aug. 1-10 period this year and last year.

(a) -- Year-to-year percent change is not adjusted for selling days.

CONTACT: Terrence Sullivan, 313-556-2019, or Karen Longridge, 313-556-2035, both of General Motors Corporation

-30- 2044

#90226p5198 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Jiffy Lube International Inc. (NASDAQ: JLUB) today announced that a proposal to effect a one-for-ten reverse split of the company's common stock will be included in the matters to be voted on by stockholders at its Sept. 6, 1990, annual stockholders meeting. Since March 31, 1990, Jiffy Lube's common stock has traded within the range of a high of $2-5/8 to a low of $1-3/8. Jiffy Lube's board of directors believes that the proposed reverse split, whereby every 10 shares will be combined to form one full share, should result in a more appropriate trading range for Jiffy Lube's common stock.

Information concerning the proposed reverse split is contained in Jiffy Lube's proxy materials for the 1990 annual meeting, which are being mailed to stockholders beginning today.

CONTACT: Carolyn S. Foster of Jiffy Lube International Inc., 713-546-8535

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#90226p5200 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc., today announced combined domestic Corolla and Camry sales of 8,573 (3,478 Corollas and 5,095 Camrys) for the first 10 days of August compared to last year's figure of 5,218 (2,047 Corollas and 3,171 Camrys).

Toyota's calendar year-to-date domestic sales total 211,858 versus 109,876 sold a year ago.

CONTACT: Mindy Geller or Christi Abe of Toyota, 213-618-5204 or

213-618-5297

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#90226p5202 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
BETHEL, CT. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Duracell Holdings Corp., today announced unaudited net earnings of $6 million on sales of $1.3 billion for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, the second full year of operation after the company was acquired in a leveraged buyout. In fiscal 1990, sales increased 7 percent and operating income increased 27 percent to $226 million, compared to $178 million in fiscal 1989 (which had been adjusted to exclude the $52 million one time impact of a nonrecurring inventory purchase accounting adjustment).

Operating cash flow, defined as operating earnings plus depreciation and amortization, for 1990 was $306 million compared to $260 million in 1989. In fiscal 1989 the company incurred a loss of $106 million. Duracell Holdings Corp., headquartered in Bethel, is the world's leading producer of consumer alkaline batteries.

CONTACT: Jim Donahue of Duracell, 203-796-4654

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#90226p5203 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of TENNANT (NASDAQ: TANT) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 30 cents per share payable Sept. 13, 1990, to shareholders of record Aug. 30, 1990. This will be the 187th consecutive quarterly cash dividend to be paid by the company. There are approximately 4,921,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

The directors also approved amendments to the company's share rights plan which lower the threshold percentages at which rights may be exercised. TENNANT CEO, Roger L. Hale, said that changes decrease threshold percentages for exercising the rights from the levels at which they were set when the plan was established in December 1986 to that of numerous other share rights plans and that the changes are not a response to a suspected or known takeover attempt.

Each right issued under the plan entitles a shareholder to buy one-twentieth of a share of junior participating preferred TENNANT stock at a price of $75, subject to adjustment. The rights expire Dec. 23, 1996 unless they are redeemed or exchanged before that date or the expiration date is extended.

As amended, the rights would become exercisable if a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of TENNANT's common stock or announces a

tender offer which, if consummated, would give the offeror ownership of 20 percent or more of the company's common stock. The board may delay exercisability in the case of a tender offer.

TENNANT is entitled to redeem the rights at 5 cents per right at any time before a party acquires 20 percent or more of the company's common stock and, in certain circumstances, during the following 20- day period, subject to possible extensions.

If a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of the company's common stock, each right that has not been exercised, redeemed or exchanged (except rights held by the 20 percent shareholder or its affiliates, associates or certain transferees, which rights shall be suspended) will entitle its holder to purchase TENNANT common stock having a market value of twice the right's exercise price, subject to possible adjustment.

If TENNANT is acquired in a merger or other transaction after a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of its common stock, the holder of each unexercised right may purchase common stock of the acquiring company having a market value of twice the right's exercise price.

The amendments to the plan permit the board, in certain instances, to exchange rights for TENNANT common stock or reduce the 20 percent thresholds to not less than 10 percent. The 20 percent thresholds do not apply to stock ownership by or on behalf of employee benefit plans.

The amendments do not require redemption of the rights or the issuance of new rights.

TENNANT is the world's leading manufacturer of floor maintenance equipment.

CONTACT: Richard Snyder of TENNANT Company, 612-540-1208

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#90226p5208 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEMPHIS, TN (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Stephen F. Bollenbach, senior vice president and chief financial officer, The Promus Companies Incorporated (NYSE: PRI), will join the Trump Organization as chief financial officer after a brief transitional period, it was announced today. Bollenbach, who is also resigning his seat on the Promus Board of Directors, joined the Holiday Corporation in September l986. Promus was spun off from Holiday in February of this year.

"Steve performed outstandingly for us the last four years and we will certainly miss not only his professionalism but also his unremitting good humor and comradery," said Michael D. Rose, chairman, president and chief executive officer of The Promus Companies.

"Steve played a key role in the restructuring of our predecessor company his first two years here and the acquisition of Holiday Inn hotels by Bass PLC early this year. We are no longer in a period of such intense financial engineering and we well understand his desire to move on to another challenging task," Rose said.

Rose said that Promus will identify the strengths and qualities the company will need in a successor and examine its options before selecting a new CFO.

CONTACT: Ralph Berry of The Promus Companies Incorporated, 901-762-8629

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#90226p5209 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Dallas-based United Medicorp Inc. (NASDAQ: UMCI), a company in the development stage, announced that, for the three months ended June 30, 1990, expenses exceeded revenues by $1,779,601. Net revenue for the period totalled $211,886 (with $102,527 earned in June 1990), as compared to net revenue of $87,322 for the three months ended March 31, 1990, resulting in a 143 percent increase in net revenue as compared to the previous quarter. 15,721 claims were accepted for processing by the company during the three months ended June 30, 1990, as compared to 6,922 claims accepted for processing during the three months ended March 31, 1990.

United Medicorp was formed in March 1989. During the remainder of 1989 the company developed a proprietary software system and built an organization to provide a unique and cost-efficient service to streamline the processing, management and collection of medical insurance claims for its customers -- the nation's hospitals, clinics and physicians. Since the beginning of 1990, the company has been actively selling its services.

UNITED MEDICORP INC.

	Three Months Ended June 30, 1990	Six Months Ended June 30, 1990
Revenue	$ 211,886	$ 299,208
Net loss	(1,779,601)	(3,455,397)
Net loss per share	(.21)	(.41)

CONTACT: Mark C. Myers of United Medicorp Inc., 214-691-2140

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#90226p5212 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MURFREESBORO, TN (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Pricor Incorporated (NASDAQ:

PRCO) today announced operating results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

First quarter revenues were $6,118,983, an increase of 32 percent from revenues of $4,649,987, reported in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. During the first quarter of fiscal 1991, the Company's operating contribution totaled $1,074,858, compared to a contribution of $1,117,765 reported during the same three month period a year earlier.

For the first quarter of fiscal 1991, Pricor reported a net loss of $142,262, or $.02 per share, as compared to net income of $139,833, or $.03 per share, reported in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Pricor Chairman Hubert L. McCullough made the announcement saying, "We are pleased with the 32 percent revenue growth for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 over the first quarter of fiscal 1990. However, operating expenses, particularly in CCS, an acquisition which operates seven residential group homes, were higher than had been expected. Expenses on existing contracts in California were negatively impacted by a worker's compensation insurance rate change which, over the course of this fiscal year, will increase operating expenses by about $225,000.

"First quarter revenues from our youth education services were negatively impacted by the timing of Spring Break, leaving the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 with seven percent fewer school days than the comparable quarter of the prior year," McCullough said.

"Certain other factors should be considered when evaluating first quarter results," McCullough said. "Operating expenses for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 included about $50,000 of non-recurring operating expenses. Additionally, many of the existing California contracts were renegotiated subsequent to the close of Pricor's first quarter and now include rate increases which will help to offset rising costs.

"While operating margin pressures are expected to continue, the Company's operations on the whole are very sound and improvement in results is expected, particularly in the traditionally high margin fourth quarter," McCullough said.

"Finally, our selling, general and administrative expenses were affected by one-time costs of approximately $70,000 associated with a transition in our senior management.

"Starting in the second quarter we will begin to realize revenues from San Diego-based Broad Horizons, which we acquired subsequent to the close of the first quarter," McCullough said. "Broad Horizons will commence a day school program in the third quarter of this year. When fully operational combined annualized revenues from Broad Horizons are expected to exceed

$5 million.

"The first of Pricor's Texas jail contract are expected to begin operations in the third and fourth quarters of this year. Contributions to profits from these contracts are likely to be modest until the fourth quarter of this year or possibly the first quarter of fiscal year 1992."

Pricor Incorporated is the nation's leading for-profit private provider of special educational and treatment services for youth. The Company is also one of the oldest and largest private adult correctional services companies. Pricor has contracts in Alabama, California, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia and business interests in the United Kingdom.

CONTACT: William J. Ballard of Pricor Incorporated, 615-896-3100

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#90226p5213 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

GARDENA, CA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - American Honda Motor Co. Inc., today reported first 10 days sales for August 1990 for its domestic built automobiles.

HONDA DIVISION

	1990	1989
Domestic Total	7,617	9,002
Civic	3,527	4,503
Accord	4,090	4,499
Domestic Year-To-Date	289,988	235,910
Civic	122,486	106,447
Accord	167,502	129,463

CONTACT: Kurt Antonius of American Honda Motor Co. Inc., 213-604-2584

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#90226p5215 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - United North American Resources Inc. (UNR) (Toronto: UNR) announces the successful completion of the Valentine Sugars Inc. No. 9 well in Lafourche Parish, La. Analysis of logs indicates 74 feet of gross pay in two potentially productive zones from 6932 feet to 6956 feet at the Upper Acosta level and from 7898 feet to 7948 feet at the South Coast Sand.

The lower zone has particular significance for UNR in that they provide, for the first time, proof of the existence on the company's lease of deep pay zones in the pressured section. This deeper potential formed part of the rationale for the company's original acquisition of the Valentine Lease. The nearest production from similar deep pressured zones is at the

Hollywood Field, Houma, La., 12 miles west of Valentine, at a depth below 14,000 feet. Hollywood is one of the largest gas fields in Louisiana.

The company anticipates that an independent engineer's report prepared in connection with the forthcoming intended listing on the London Stock Exchange later this year will, having taken into account information obtained from the well No.'s 6, 7, 8 and 9, show a significant increase in its proved reserves over the figure quoted in the brochure issued during the recent private placement.

Notwithstanding substantial shows of gas and condensate from the deeper South Coast zone in the No. 9 well, mechanical and pressure problems have prevented the successful completion of this zone. The zone at the Upper Acosta level was completed with a flowing tubing pressure of 1200 p.s.i. on an 8/64 inch choke from perforations in an interval from 6936 feet to 6948 feet at a rate of 102 bopd and 500 mcfpd. The calculated open hole flow rate for this well is 762 bopd of 38.45 API oil.

UNR recently increased its working interest in the Valentine lease from 35 percent to 41.5 percent.

CONTACT: R. Fulton Smith, Jr. of United North American Resources Inc., 504-524-7371.

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#90226p5216 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - ICC Technologies, Inc. (OTC: ICGN) today announced that the Securities and Exchange Commission had declared effective the company's registration statement covering 793,584 shares of common stock as of 5:00 p.m. on Aug. 13, 1990. Of the shares registered, 625,572 shares are issuable upon the exercise of certain warrants received by stockholders of record as of June 18, 1990, as an in-kind dividend which was previously declared by the company's board of directors. The exercise price for the warrants is $5.00 per share. The warrants may be exercised for 180 days following Aug. 13, 1990, the effective date of the company's registration statement, and may be redeemed by the company upon 30 days notice for $.001 per warrant. The company's registration statement also covers 168,012 shares of common stock which will be issued to certain creditors of the company in exchange for outstanding debts. The company is continuing to qualify the sale of the common stock under various state Blue Sky laws.

ICC Technologies, Inc., headquartered in Philadelphia, develops and markets innovative, efficient and environmentally sound power generation and space conditioning technologies to address the needs of today's commercial marketplace. The DESI/GEN system is being marketed by the company to industries with a need for effective climate control and energy

management, including supermarkets, hotels, large retail outlets, office buildings and fast food chains.

CONTACT: Irwin L. Gross, chief executive officer of ICC, 215-625-0700, or Erika Freed, 212-715-1538, or Martin Duffy, 212-593-6434, both of Ruder-Finn for ICC Technologies

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#90226p5217 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - USA Waste Services Inc., (NASDAQ: USAS) reports it has acquired Ellis County Disposal Inc., Ellis County, Texas. Ellis County Disposal, 20 miles south of Dallas, is in the commercial and industrial waste hauling and disposal business and has annual revenues of approximately $1,650,000. Additionally, USA Waste Services Inc., has entered into an agreement to lease a 143-acre Type I landfill owned by Ellis County Disposal with a contract to purchase.

USA Waste Services Inc., headquartered in Norman, Okla., is listed on the NASDAQ exchange under the symbol USAS.

CONTACT: Terry Patrick of USA Waste Services Inc., 405-360-6612

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#90226p5222 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Boatmen's Bancshares Inc.'s (NASDAQ: BAOT) board of directors declared the regular quarterly dividend on common stock of $0.53 per share, payable Oct. 1 to stockholders of record Aug. 31.

Boatmen's is the largest bank holding company in Missouri with 32 full-service banks in Missouri, Illinois and Tennessee; mortgage and insurance companies; and a credit card bank in Delaware. Boatmen's also ranks among the top providers of trust services in the nation with more than $25 billion in assets under management.

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#90226p5225 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Republic Waste Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: RWIN) reported today net income for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $973,000 or 13 cents per share on revenues of $9.4 million. Revenues for the first six months stood at $12.9 million resulting in profits of $1,176,000 or 20 cents per share. Proforma results, for the first six months were also reported and reflected 45 cents per share earnings on proforma revenues of almost $28 million.

Our acquisition program has created significant growth in sales revenues over the comparable 1989 period while generating substantial profitability compared to a $92,000 loss for the same period last year," said James D. Lee, Republic president. "This growth in revenues and earnings demonstrates that our acquisition strategy is working."

Republic changed its name and business direction earlier this year and has acquired seven companies since February 1990. The company has also announced entering into letters of intent to acquire five additional solid waste companies in Texas and California. The reported operating results do not include the five new acquisitions.

Republic Waste Industries Inc. is a Houston-based company specializing in the collection, processing and disposal of solid waste. The company's common stock is traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol RWIN.

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#90226p5229 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Quebecor Inc. (AMEX: PQB) announced today that consolidated revenues for the second quarter of 1990 have reached $636 million, compared to $437 million for the corresponding quarter of 1989, an increase of 46 percent.

Consolidated net income for the same period amounted to $10.1 million, or $0.43 per share, in 1990, compared to $8.7 million, or $0.36 per share, in 1989, an increase of over 16 percent.

Consolidated revenues for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, have reached $1,127 million, compared to $859 million in 1989, an increase of 31 percent.

Consolidated net income for the same period amounted to $56.5 million, or $2.40 per share in 1990, and to $12.8 million, or $0.54 per share in 1989. This year's figure includes a net, exceptional and non-recurrent accounting gain of $42.3 million after deferred income taxes of $20 million. The net income for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, excluding this exceptional gain, is therefore $14.2 million, or $0.61 per share.

Revenues of Quebecor Printing Inc., the most important commercial printer in Canada and the second largest in North America, have reached $379 million for the second quarter of 1990, compared to $172 million, for the corresponding quarter of 1989. This large increase is due to the sales volume of printing plants acquired from Maxwell Graphics at the end of

February 1990.

Quebecor Group Inc.'s revenues, which comprises publishing, distribution and retail activities, amounted to $107 million, compared to $104 million in 1989; for Mircor Inc., which regroups Donohue Inc. and its subsidiaries they amounted to $150 million, compared to $162 million in 1989.

For the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, the revenues of Quebecor Printing Inc. reached $621 million, compared to $341 million for the corresponding period of 1989; for Quebecor Group Inc., they amounted to $205 million, compared to $196 million in 1989; for Mircor Inc., they amounted to $301 million in 1990, compared to $322 million in 1989.

The Class A shares of Quebecor Inc. are listed on the Montreal Stock Exchange, the Toronto Stock Exchange and the American Stock Exchange. The Class B subordinate voting shares are listed on the Montreal and Toronto stock exchanges.

Quebecor, a leader in the communications industry in Canada, is active in three sectors: publishing, printing and forest products.

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DENVER (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - M.D.C. Holdings Inc. (NYSE: MDC), national home builder and mortgage banking company, today reported its first quarterly profit from operations (i.e., income before income taxes, minority interest and extraordinary gains) since the first quarter of 1988.

MDC's operating income totalled $2.8 million and $.9 million, respectively during the three and six months ended June 30, 1990 as compared to losses of $8.8 million and $29.4 million, respectively, during the like periods in 1989.

Net income (i.e., income after income taxes, minority interest and extraordinary gains) for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990 was $2.2 million, or 11 cents per share, including a $.9 million extraordinary after-tax gain from the company's repurchase of $2.4 million principal amount of its senior subordinated and subordinated notes, and $5.7 million or 30 cents per share, including a $6.7 million extraordinary after-tax gain from the company's purchase of $16.4 million of its senior subordinated and subordinated notes, respectively.

During the three and six months ended June 30, 1989, MDC incurred net losses of $5.3 million, or 33 cents per share, and $.3 million, or 2 cents

per share, including a $17.5 million extraordinary after-tax gain from the company's repurchase of $72.7 million principal amount of its senior subordinated and subordinated notes, respectively.

During the three and six months ended June 30, 1990, MDC closed 546 and 1,065 homes, as compared to 933 and 1,687 closings, respectively, during the like periods a year ago. At June 30, 1990, the company's backlog of residential units sold but not closed was 791 units having an approximate sales value of $159.9 million, compared with a backlog of 1,215 units having an approximate sales value of $209.1 million at June 30, 1989.

Browne noted the decline in home closings and backlog in 1990 as compared to 1989 is due primarily to: (i) declines in home closings in southern California, due principally to the sale of a large portion of the company's land inventories during the third quarter of 1989 which reduced the number of sites available for future home construction, and in Virginia, due to weakening market conditions, and (ii) the closing of the company's Dallas home building operations in the second quarter of 1989.

Revenues for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990 were $147.6 million and $279.9 million, respectively, as compared to $192.7 million and $349 million, respectively, for the like periods in 1989.

The company's net income per share for both the three and six months ended June 30, 1990 was based on 19.1 weighted average shares outstanding as compared to 15.9 million weighted average shares outstanding for both the like periods in 1989.

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DALLAS, (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Baruch-Foster Corp. (AMEX: BFO) announces Consolidated Statement of Operations and Subsidiaries for the six months ended June 30, 1990 and comparative figures for 1989 as follows:

BARUCH-FOSTER CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Operations
For the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Revenues	$1,668,781	2,300,944	3,817,357	4,597,081
Costs and expenses	1,783,248	2,658,111	3,672,179	4,804,442

Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(114,467)	(357,167)	145,178	(207,361)
Income taxes	--	--	15,298	11,783
Net earnings (loss)	$ (114,467)	(357,167)	129,880	(219,144)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	2,717,709	2,717,787	2,717,709	2,717,885
Earnings (loss) per common share	$(.04)	(.13)	.05	(.08)

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JACKSON, MI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Patrick Petroleum Company (NYSE: PPC) today said it is an 8-percent participant in a horizontally drilled Bakken oil well located in Billings County, N.D.

The Nautilus No. 1-11, a wildcat, initially tested at 839 barrels of oil per day and produced at an average of 664 barrels of oil per day during the first 17 days of production.

The well was drilled to a true vertical depth of 10,287 feet, with a horizontal leg of approximately 2,000 feet. Slawson Exploration Company, Inc. is operator of the well.

Company President U.E. (Pat) Patrick stated, "This is an excellent well that at this early date appears to be one of the best among the 60- plus horizontal Bakken tests drilled in this area in the past two years. We have additional leasehold interests in the immediate vicinity of the Nautilus No. 1-11 and throughout Billings County, as well as in neighboring Richland County, Mont. The rapid development of horizontal drilling technologies may also have significant applications to our very substantial leasehold interests of 88,700 net acres in the entire Williston Basin area," Mr. Patrick said.

In addition to Patrick Petroleum and Slawson, other participants in the well are TXO Production Corporation, Columbia Gas Development Corporation, NEXCO Inc., Viersen & Cochran and Leigh C. Crueger and Associates.

Patrick Petroleum Company is an independent exploration and production company listed on the New York Stock Exchange since 1976 (symbol: PPC). The company has interests in producing properties and undeveloped acreage in 13 states, including various interests in approximately 549 oil and gas

wells located primarily in Michigan, North Dakota, Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana.

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-30- 2140

#90226p5236 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

UNIVERSAL CITY, CALIF. (AUG 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Lew R. Wasserman, chairman of the board of MCA Inc. (NYSE: MCA), announced that the board of directors at a meeting held today declared a cash dividend of $.17 per share on the MCA Inc. outstanding common stock and a cash dividend of $1.70 per share on the MCA Inc. outstanding Series B Participating Convertible Preferred Stock, both payable Sept. 17, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business Aug. 29, 1990.

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#90226p5238 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH, (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - A settlement agreement under which a subsidiary of Equitable Resources Inc. (NYSE: EQT) will be permitted to recover $25.1 million plus certain carrying charges from a subsidiary of the Columbia Gas System (NYSE: CG) was filed today with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), it was announced today.

The settlement, between Kentucky West Virginia Gas Co. and Columbia Gas Transmission Co., calls for the payments to be made to Kentucky West over an 8-year period.

Additionally, Columbia Transmission has agreed to cancel its sales contract with Kentucky West, and to reform and expand its transportation agreement with Equitrans Inc., another Equitable subsidiary, to an open access arrangement for Equitrans and its affiliates.

The settlement, which must still be approved by the FERC, stems from the commission's forced underpricing of Kentucky West's gas production from 1978 to 1983. After three federal court decisions upholding the company's entitlement to the higher prices, the FERC in January 1989 finally approved Kentucky West's proposal to direct bill customers for a portion of the lost revenues.

The agreement settles an estimated claim against Columbia Transmission of $57.5 million, relating to its purchases of Kentucky West gas during the 1978-83 period.

Kentucky West has already filed similar settlements amounting to $3 million for gas sold to two municipal utilities in Kentucky.

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#90226p5239 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CALIF. (JULY 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The O.E.M. Division of Procom Technology Inc., a technology-driven manufacturer of board level SCSI host adapters and software drivers for the O.E.M. and industrial distribution markets, today announced the opening of two new facilities and the addition of new sales and administrative staff.

An East Coast regional sales office has opened to accommodate the heightened interest in the new division's O.E.M. product offering and will be headed by Richard Prairie, most recently a sales manager with Future Domain, and formerly with Caliper and Siemens.

In addition to the East Coast facility, a new office, headquartered in Buckinghamshire, England, has been established to address the growing microcomputer market place in Europe. Both the U.S. headquarters in Costa Mesa, and the European headquarters in England will be headed by Procom Technology O.E.M. Vice President Tom Miller, also formerly with Future Domain and Micropolis. According to Miller, "The increased demand for our new O.E.M. products pointed to the obvious need for satellite offices, both domestically and abroad." He added that a Pacific Rim office will be opening in the next 120 days.

Other new staff additions building the O.E.M. division include National Distribution Sales Manager, Patricia Seifert, who will be developing and industrial distribution sales team and Judy DeWinter, an executive assistant who will oversee all administrative, marketing and sales coordination activities.

Miller will be increasing the division's staff even more when Procom Technology reolcates its headquarters to an 80,000 square foot facility located in Irvine, Calif. These plans include the addition of a senior level product manager, several engineers with applications oriented backrounds and two more senior level domestic sales managers.

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#90226p5242 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Delaware North Companies Inc., and

LSG Lufthansa Service GmbH, part of Lufthansa German Airlines, said in a joint announcement today that LSG Lufthansa Service GmbH will acquire the Dairy Farm Catering Group, the Hong Kong based in-flight foodservice and general catering subsidiaries of Delaware North. No sales price was released.

Officials of both companies said the announcement was made to end speculation that Dairy Farm, which has been hotly pursued by several companies, was still for sale. The sale is scheduled to close on Sept. 20 subject to the approval of Lufthansa's Supervisory Board and Cartel Office of the Federal Republic of Germany.

The Dairy Farm Group generates $75 million annually from airline and general catering operations in Hong Kong, the People's Republic of China, Thailand and Southern Pacific islands.

LSG Lufthansa Service GmbH was founded as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Deutsche Lufthansa AG (Lufthansa German Airlines) on April 26, 1966. Since then, LSG, a caterer with worldwide operations, has developed into Europe's biggest catering company with sales totalling a good DM 800 million in 1990.

Besides in-flight catering, LSG is also active in the following areas of business: Lufthansa Party Service, Airport shops, Catering Consulting, which also has a worldwide sphere of operations, Airport Restaurants and Retailing and Mail Order (supplying embassies, hotels and companies throughout the world with German food).

Delaware North, a Buffalo based $1 billion-plus private international holding company, purchased the Dairy Farm Catering Group in 1985.

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#90226p5243 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

GASTONIA, N.C. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PSNC) declared a regular quarterly dividend on the Company's Common Stock of 27.5 cents per share, payable on October 1, 1990 to shareholders of record September 10, 1990. This is the 131st consecutive quarterly dividend on the Company's Common Stock.

The Directors also declared regular quarterly dividends on both series of the Company's Cumulative Preferred Stock, payable October 1, 1990 to shareholders of record September 10, 1990.

Public Service Company distributes natural gas to over 225,000 customers in 87 cities, towns and communities in 26 counties ranging from the Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill areas in the northeast; the Concord, Statesville, Gastonia and Forest City areas in the Piedmont; to the Asheville, Hendersonville and Brevard areas in the western part of the state. Public Service Company, through subsidiaries of its wholly-owned subsidiary, PSNC Natural Resources Corporation, also participates in oil and gas exploration and production, and retails propane gas.

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-30- 1447

#90226p5246 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASHVILLE, TN (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied Clinical Labs (NASDAQ: ACLB) announced today substantially improved results of operations for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Net income for the second quarter of 1990 increased to $870,000, or $.16 per share compared to pro forma net income of $75,000, or $.01 per share for the second quarter of 1989. Net income for the first six months of 1990 was $1,742,000, or $.33 per share compared to a pro forma net loss of $104,000, or $(.02) per share, for the same period last year.

Net revenues for the second quarter of 1990 totaled $19,222,000, a 28 percent increase above the pro forma $15,048,000 reported for the 1989 quarter. Net revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990 were $38,445,000, up 33 percent from the pro forma $28,954,000 reported for the 1989 first half.

1989 net income and revenues are presented on a pro forma basis, assuming that the Company's acquisition of its operating subsidiary took place at the beginning of the year, consistent with presentations in the Company's Prospectus dated July 31, 1990 and its Form 10-Q to be filed for the second quarter. Per share information is based on 5,322,000 shares outstanding in each period reflecting the Company's recent stock split and conversion of preferred stock and accrued dividends into common stock. The recapitalization has been applied to 1989 results to present comparable, pro forma earnings per share.

Allied Clinical Laboratories owns and operates regionally-based clinical testing laboratories. The company provides testing services to physicians hospitals, clinics and other health care providers through a national network of seven regional laboratories (one of which serves as a reference laboratory) and 50 other service sites. The Company also contracts with 14 hospitals to manage their on-site laboratories. Allied Clinical Laboratories completed its initial public offering of common stock on July

31, 1990 and began trading on NASDAQ at that time.

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#90226p5247 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TREVOSE, PA. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Stanley Kraftsow, chairman of Craftmatic/Contour Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: CRCC) announced today the results of operations for the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported net income of $177,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, or $.01 per share, as compared to net income of $789,000 or $.21 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1989. Total revenues for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990 amounted to $15,671,000 as compared to $12,946,000 in the comparable quarter in the prior year.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported total revenues of $45,587,000 as compared to $33,224,000 during the comparable nine-month period in the prior year. The company reported net income for the nine-month period ended June 30, 1990 of $1,077,00 or $.26 per share as compared to net income of $1,736,000 or $.45 per share for the nine-month period ended June 30, 1989.

Craftmatic/ Contour Industries, Inc. is a manufacturing, marketing and sales organization engaged in distribution and sales primarily in the United States of the Craftmatic electric adjustable bed specially designed for residential use, but having certain features found in hospital beds, and the Contour custom-made reclining chair.

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#90226p5250 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - ULTIMAP CORPORATION today announced the largest order in the company's history. The city of Greensboro, N.C., has contracted with ULTIMAP to develop and install an integrated municipal engineering and geographic information system. Under the contract, valued at more than $700,000, ULTIMAP will furnish hardware, software, and professional services to tightly integrate the UltiMap geographic information system with the CEDRA civil engineering software system. In a related order, Guilford County, N.C. (the county in which the city of Greensboro is located), has placed an additional order with ULTIMAP that brings the total value of the new business to almost $800,000.

"We have been evaluating the city's information and engineering needs for some time," said Ed Kitchen, assistant city manager for the city of Greensboro. "We determined that we need better ability to manage information relative to the locations of things. We knew the way to do that was through an automated Geographic Information System (GIS). We also recognized that Computer-Aided Design and Drafting (CADD) would improve the city's engineering operations, which involve lots of information related to the locations of things. The solution became obvious: a fully integrated CADD/GIS system."

UltiMap is a unique software system that fully integrates Automated Mapping and Facilities Management (AM/FM), Geographic Information Systems (GIS), and Computer-Aided Design and Drafting (CADD). The UltiMap System was originally developed and proven by Hennepin County, Minn., and the city of Minneapolis and is now marketed and supported worldwide by ULTIMAP CORPORATION, a Minneapolis-based company specializing in providing geographical information management products and services.

ULTIMAP CORPORATION is a subsidiary of ULTIMAP INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION, whose stock is traded nationally over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol "UMAP."

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#90226p5252 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) and Telecom USA Inc. (NYSE: TTT) today concluded the long distance industry's largest merger, which combines the nation's second and fourth largest long distance telecommunications companies.

Under the agreement, originally announced on April 9, MCI acquired all outstanding shares of Telecom USA's common stock for cash at a price of $42 per share, for a purchase price of approximately $1.25 billion.

"We're delighted the merger is concluded, and look forward to upholding Telecom USA's tradition of providing the highest level of service and the broadest array of products to meet customers' communications needs," Bert C. Roberts Jr., MCI president and chief operating officer, said.

"The merger of two of the industry's most aggressive and creative companies will be beneficial to both customers and shareholders," O. Gene Gabbard, MCI chief financial officer and executive vice president and former chairman of Telecom USA, said. "By combining both organizations' employees, facilities and technology, MCI becomes an even stronger force in the long distance marketplace."

MCI has obtained all necessary state and federal regulatory approvals for the transaction.

The acquisition will be initially funded by bank debt and cash on hand. The company expects that the bank debt will be repaid within three years.

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MIAMI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines today reported a net loss of $35.6 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, after a gain of $114.8 million on the sale of assets. This compares with a year-earlier net loss of $129.3 million for the same period, after a gain of $261.8 million.

Eastern said 1990 figures are not directly comparable with year-earlier results due to a March, 1989 strike that drastically reduced the airline's level of operations.

Operating revenues for the second quarter, 1990, were $545.2 million, with an operating loss of $94.9 million, vs. $89.6 million and $243.4 million, respectively, for the second quarter, 1989.

Eastern said its second quarter results show improvement and a trend toward reducing losses during the rebuilding period, but also reflect the impact of adverse publicity during March and April which impacted advance bookings for April and May.

The airline said it expects losses for the remainder of 1990 due to its ongoing rebuilding effort and the industry impact of rising fuel costs.

Eastern said its complement of higher-yielding business vs. leisure passengers has improved during the second quarter as a result of its marketing initiatives. The company expects that trend to continue as a result of new programs to be announced later in the third quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, operating revenues were $1.102 billion and the airline posted a net loss of $172 million. For the same period in 1989, operating revenues were $710.2 million, with a net loss of $384.5 million.

Operating losses for the first half of 1990 were $213.8 million, vs. $453.8 million for the same period in 1989.

The airline flew 4.3 billion revenue passenger miles during the second quarter, with a load factor of 59.84 percent. For the first half of 1990 revenue passenger miles were 9.1 billion, with loads of 61.59 percent.

During the first half of 1989 Eastern flew 5.0 billion revenue passenger miles with a 58.46 percent load factor.

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EATONTOWN, N.J. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntrex Incorporated, (NASDAQ: STRX) which recently changed its fiscal year from a year ending in October to a year ending in April, announced today that revenues for the quarter and six months transition period ended April 29, 1990 were $21.9 million and $30.5 million, respectively, compared to $11.5 million and $21.6 million during the comparable periods of the prior year.

The increase in revenues for each period is due primarily to the company's expanded customer base which resulted from the acquisition of the former Lanier Business Systems unit of Harris Corporation in January 1990. During the three and six month periods ended April 29, 1990, the company incurred a net loss of approximately $6.3 million ($.83 per share) and $8.4 million ($1.11 per share), respectively. Net losses for the three and six month periods ended April 28, 1989 were $1.1 million ($.15 per share) and $4.4 million ($.60 per share), respectively.

The net losses for the three and six month periods ended April 29, 1990 include $1.7 million of non-recurring expenses incurred in connection with the Lanier acquisition. In addition, Dan Sinnott, chairman and CEO of Syntrex, noted that, "Other matters relating to the Lanier acquisition adversely affected the company's operating results for the three and six month periods ended April 29, 1990." Gross margins for the three months ended April 29, 1990 declined primarily as a result of the application of purchase accounting treatment to the acquisition which requires the recording of acquired maintenance contracts at net cost to complete. As a result, there is a one time elimination of gross margin from these acquired contracts for their remaining term. This accounting treatment had the effect of reducing gross margin by $1.3 million for the quarter ended April 29, 1990, and is expected to reduce gross margin in the next three quarters by an additional amount approximating $2 million. Also, the company took additional charges against operating results in the amount of $445,000 for costs related to inventory acquired from Lanier. In summary, of the $6.3 million net loss for the three months ended April 29, 1990, approximately $3.5 million of this loss can be attributed to certain events related to the Lanier acquisition described above.

Since the close of the Lanier Business Systems acquisition in January 1990 the company has consolidated operations in two phases. During the first phase from Jan. 29 to April 29, most of the field location were combined and the active inventories located in Atlanta were transferred to the company's headquarters in Eatontown, N.J. In addition, all of the Finance and Administration functions were consolidated in the company's headquarters. These steps significantly reduced facility expenses. On April 29, 1990, at the start of its new fiscal year, the company initiated phase two by consolidating all of its sales, system engineers, customer service and administrative personnel into a single Field Operations Group. Additional consolidations and cost reductions will be implemented as the company sharpens its focus on its PC-based Network Systems Integration strategy.

The company completed the first quarter of its new 1991 fiscal year on July 27, 1990. Results for that quarter will be released in the next several weeks.

The company also reported that as a result of the losses sustained during the three months ended April 29, 1990, the company is in violation of certain financial covenants contained in the loan agreements governing $9.1 million of indebtedness owed to a New Jersey bank. In addition, the company has not paid Harris $2.0 million of principal and $121,000 of accrued interest due under a $4.0 million promissory note issued to Harris in connection with the Lanier acquisition. Principal payments of $1.0 million each were due on April 27, 1990 and July 27, 1990.

The bank has agreed to defer compliance with the financial covenants and Harris has extended the payment dates of the note until Sept. 15, 1990. In addition, the bank has agreed to modify the covenants and Harris has expressed a willingness to restructure the note payable to Harris. Harris has also stated it's intention to pay Syntrex $1.2 million (less accrued interest on the note payable), for products that Harris purchased from Syntrex and certain other matters arising since the acquisition date. These transactions are subject to the company obtaining $2 million of additional long-term subordinated debt financing and the fulfillment of certain other conditions. The company is negotiating with a third party to obtain $2 million of debt financing required to close the transactions with the bank and Harris; however, no assurance can be given that such financing can be arranged. If these transactions cannot be completed, the company anticipates that additional working capital will be required within the next 30 to 60 days to continue the company's operations.

In view of the disappointing operating results in fiscal 1989, and the six months ended April 29, 1990, and the cash requirements of the company, the company has taken substantial steps to reduce operating expenses and will continue its efforts to control costs and reduce the level of cash

required to support its operations. Additionally, the company plans a further reduction in manpower levels in August 1990.

The company also announced that William Adams has resigned as a director of the company and president of Field Operations. Adams was a former officer of Harris who became an officer and director of Syntrex when the Lanier acquisition was completed in January 1990.

SYNTREX INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES
(Consolidated, condensed(B)

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	4/29/90	4/28/89	4/29/90	4/28/89
Total revenues	$21,904,218	$11,499,454	$30,512,224	$21,534,204
Cost & expenses:				
Product sales and service	17,346,779	8,431,069	23,971,656	16,887,612
Development	720,827	756,663	1,482,802	1,570,983
Marketing, genl. and admin.	8,353,475	3,277,123	11,410,871	7,148,766
Other exp. - net	1,765,595(A)	175,730	2,063,022(A)	375,752
Total	28,186,676	12,640,585	38,928,351	25,983,113
Net loss	(6,282,458)	(1,141,131)	(8,416,127)	(4,448,909)
Net loss per comm. share	$(.83)	$(.15)	$(1.11)	$(.60)
Wtd. avg. no. of common shares outstanding	7,569,226	7,417,962	7,578,073	7,386,206

(A) -- Includes expenses associated with one time costs of the acquisition in the amount of $1,687,000 and amortization of excess of acquired net assets over cost in the amount of $447,316.

(B) -- 1989 periods and three months ended April 29, 1990 are unaudited.

Balance sheets
(Condensed, consolidated)

	April 29, 1990	April 28, 1989 (Unaudited)
Assets:		
Cash and investments	$ 2,089,128	$ 3,640,622
Accounts receivable	20,850,445	8,927,572
Inventories	13,305,269	8,913,493
Other current assets	642,060	158,617
Total current assets	36,886,902	21,640,304
Equipment and leaseholds, net	3,134,536	4,166,500
Other assets	4,984,588	5,758,689
Total assets	$ 45,006,026	$31,565,493
Liabs. & shareholders' equity:		

Current liabilities	$ 31,997,802	$ 9,926,734
Long-term obligations, less current portion	4,196	5,018,607
Excess of fair value of assets acquired over cost, net	6,709,750	--
Shareholders' equity	6,294,278	16,620,152
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	$ 45,006,026	$31,565,493

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#90226p5256 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Enron Corp. (NYSE: ENE) Board of Directors today declared a third-quarter dividend of 62 cents per share on the corporation's common stock, payable Sept. 20, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Sept. 4, 1990. The dividend rate remains unchanged from its previous level, with an indicated annual rate of $2.48.

The board also declared a dividend on the $10.50 cumulative second preferred convertible stock payable Oct. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Sept. l4, 1990. The quarterly dividend rate is $2.625 per share.

Enron Corp., America's leading natural gas company with approximately $10 billion in revenues and $9 billion in assets, operates the nation's largest natural gas transmission system; markets natural gas, gas liquids, crude oil and refined products nationally and worldwide; owns 84 percent of Enron Oil & Gas Co. (NYSE: EOG), one of the country's largest independent (non-integrated) natural gas exploration and production companies; and also is one of the largest independent producers of electricity in the United States, with extensive experience in combined heat and power installations.

CONTACT: L. Diane Bazelides, 713-853-6285, or E. P. Segner,713-853-5299, both of Enron Corp.

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#90226p5257 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today announced the following debenture offering:

DEBENTURE PRICING Issue Date:		Aug. 21, 1990
Price:	Par	
Term:	5 years	

Interest Rate:	8.70 percent
Amount (millions):	$300
Maturity Date:	8/21/95
Callable on or after:	8/21/91
Date of First Interest Payment (then semi-annually):	2/21/91

The debentures of Aug. 21, 1995, are redeemable on or after Aug. 21, 1991, in whole or in part at the option of the corporation at any time (and from time to time). The redemption price of the debentures will be 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption.

The net proceeds of this offering will be added to the working capital of the Federal National Mortgage Association and used for general corporate purposes.

Debentures will be issued in book-entry form only. The minimum purchase is $10,000 and multiples of $5,000 thereafter. The offering is being made through Fannie Mae's senior vice president - finance and treasurer, Gary L. Perlin, and vice president and assistant treasurer, Linda K. Knight, 3900 Wisconsin Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016, assisted by Goldman, Sachs & Co.

CONTACT: Tom Marder of Fannie Mae, 202-752-7608

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#90226p5259 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENLO PARK, CA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - MEDIAGENIC (NASDAQ: MGNC) today reported net revenues of $14 million for the first quarter of its 1991 fiscal year, ended June 30, and a net loss for the quarter of $608,000 or 14 cents per share. The results are nearly identical to net revenues of $13.6 million, and net loss of $586,000 or 14 cents per share for the like quarter of the 1990 fiscal year.

The company also announced that it had reached an agreement with its bank to extend its line of credit through Dec. 31, 1990. This agreement will provide the company with working capital while it actively seeks other sources of long-term financing.

"Seasonality, cash constraints imposed by the Magnavox judgment, and an increase in marketing expenditures were the prime contributors to the loss " said Bruce L. Davis, chairman and CEO of MEDIAGENIC. He added, "Given the disruption caused by the judgment, the company held up well, coming in with nearly the same financial performance as the first quarter of last year."

Davis also noted that several significant announcements were made during the quarter, including obtaining a Nintendo Entertainment System (NES) license in Europe and being chosen as the first American developer for the upcoming Nintendo 16-bit Super Famicom system. In June, the company also presented an impressive line-up of new video game titles at the Consumer Electronics Show that will be supported by television advertising. Several NES, Game Boy and MS-DOS entertainment titles including "The Adventures of Rad Gravity" for the NES and "Heavyweight Championship Boxing" for the Game Boy, will ship during the upcoming holiday selling season.

MEDIAGENIC is a diversified, international publisher of floppy-disk, cartridge and optical disc-based entertainment software and PC graphics utilities, headquartered in Menlo Park. The company publishes Activision, Infocom, Gamestar, and ZSoft software and serves as an exclusive distributor for Absolute Entertainment, Interplay Productions, Dynamix Inc., Sierra On-Line and System 3.

CONTACT: Michelle Bowman of Mediagenic, 415-329-0800, ext. 5024.

-30- 2309

#90226p5263 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Barrett Resources Corp. (NASDAQ: BARC) reported a profit of $313,000, or 3 cents per share, on revenues of $1,880,000 for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990. This compares with net income of $317,000, or 5 cents per share, on revenues of $1,547,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Revenues improved over last year primarily due to a 12 percent increase in oil and gas production revenue and a 33 percent increase in revenue from operating oil and gas properties. The 1990 quarter included an additional $247,000 of interest income primarily because of interest earned on stock offering proceeds while 1989 included a $227,000 gain from cancellation of a gas sales contract.

For the nine month period ended June 30, 1990 the company earned $936,000, or 13 cents per share, on revenues of $6,093,000, compared to net income of $987,000, or 16 cents per share, on revenues of $5,069,000 in the comparable 1989 period. The 1989 results include a tax benefit from operating loss carryforward of $192,000, or approximately 3 cents per share.

During the third quarter the company sold 3.565 million shares of its common stock in a public offering for $21.2 million, net of offering costs. In additon, the company continued drilling on its coal bed methane development program in the third quarter and initiated drilling on two exploratory prospects.

Barrett Resources is a Denver-based independent oil and gas exploration,

and production company with its stock traded on the NASDAQ National Market System with the symbol BARC.

BARRETT RESOURCES CORP.
Consolidated Condensed Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenues:		
Oil and gas production	$803,000	$720,000
Revenue from operating oil and gas properties	682,000	512,000
Revenue from gas gathering	106,000	19,000
Land and lot sales	---	30,000
Interest income	282,000	35,000
Other income	7,000	231,000
	1,880,000	1,547,000
Operating expenses:		
Lease operating expenses	299,000	232,000
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	406,000	344,000
Operating, general and administrative	811,000	618,000
Cost of land and lot sales	---	17,000
Interest expense	33,000	10,000
	1,549,000	1,221,000
Income for the period before income taxes and extraordinary item	331,000	326,000
Provision for income taxes	18,000	88,000
Income for the period before extraordinary item	313,000	238,000
Extraordinary item - tax benefit from operating loss carryforward	---	79,000
Net income for the period	$313,000	$317,000
Income per common share and common equivalent share before extraordinary item	$.03	$.04
Net income per common share and common equivalent share	$.03	$.05
Weighted average common shares outstanding	9,134,394	6,120,562

	Nine Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenues:		

Oil and gas production	$3,426,000	$3,101,000
Revenue from operating oil and gas properties	1,990,000	1,436,000
Revenue from gas gathering	272,000	131,000
Land and lot sales	40,000	30,000
Interest income	354,000	122,000
Other income	11,000	249,000
	6,093,000	5,069,000
Operating expenses:		
Lease operating expenses	998,000	746,000
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	1,557,000	1,366,000
Operating, general and administrative	2,360,000	1,900,000
Cost of land and lot sales	31,000	17,000
Interest expense	127,000	30,000
	5,073,000	4,059,000
Income for the period before income taxes and extraordinary item	1,020,000	1,010,000
Provision for income taxes	84,000	215,000
Income for the period before extraordinary item	936,000	795,000
Extraordinary item - tax benefit from operating loss carryforward	---	192,000
Net income for the period	$936,000	$987,000
Income per common share and common equivalent share before extraordinary item	$.13	$.13
Net income per common share and common equivalent share	$.13	$.16
Weighted average common shares outstanding	7,217,133	6,120,562

CONTACT: J. Frank Keller or Robert W. Howard both of Barrett Resources Corp., 303-297-3900

-30- 5949

#90226p5267 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The May Department Stores Company reported today fully diluted earnings per share from continuing operations of 58 cents for the second quarter of fiscal 1990, the 13 weeks ended Aug. 4, an 18.4 percent increase over 49 cents per share in the similar year-ago quarter. For the first half of 1990, fully diluted earnings per share were $1.16, up 22.1 percent from 95 cents in the similar six-month period last year.

Net earnings from continuing operations for the 1990 second quarter were $78.2 million compared to $71.0 million last year. Net earnings from continuing operations for the first six months were $157.9 million compared to $134.6 million in the year-ago period. For the second quarter net retail sales from continuing operations were $2.20 billion, up 8.8 percent from $2.02 billion last year. In the first half of 1990, net retail sales from continuing operations were $4.38 billion, up 9.8 percent from sales of $3.99 billion in the 1989 first half.

During the second quarter, May opened four new department stores -- three for Lord & Taylor in New Jersey and a new L.S. Ayres store in Indianapolis -- and Volume Shoe opened 44 net new Payless ShoeSource stores. By year-end, May will have opened 21 new department stores, a record number of openings in one year, and approximately 245 net new Payless ShoeSource stores. Additionally, two Venture stores were also opened in the Chicago market during the second quarter.

Pursuant to its previous announcements, May has reported its discount segment as discontinued operations. Caldor has been sold and the company is planning to spin-off Venture to May common shareowners later in 1990, pending certain events.

The May Department Stores Company is one of the largest retailers in the United States, operating 295 department stores, 2,817 specialty shoe stores and 78 Venture stores at the close of the second quarter.

CONTACT: Jim Abrams of The May Department Stores Company, 314-342-6343.

-30- 2196

#90226p5270 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

FULLERTON, CA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Wynn's International Inc. (NYSE: WN) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share of common stock, payable on Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 27, 1990. This represents the company's 62nd consecutive quarterly dividend payment since 1975.

Wynn's International is a worldwide supplier of quality automotive air conditioners, O-rings, seals, molded rubber products, petrochemical specialty products and builders' hardware supplies.

CONTACT: Gregg M. Gibbons of Wynn's International Inc., 714-992-2000.

-30- 788

#90226p5275 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARSON, CALIF. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Nissan Motor Corporation in U.S.A. today announced the following car and pickup truck sales figures for the

Aug. 1-10 reporting period:

NISSAN MOTOR CORPORATION IN U.S.A.

Domestic Cars

(Sentra Models Only)

	Aug. 1-10	Year-to-Date
1990	1,968	59,877
1989	2,943	63,566

Domestic Trucks

	Aug. 1-10	Year-to-Date
1990	2,296	81,386
1989	3,503	80,619

CONTACT: Bill Pauli, 213-719-5631, or E.C. Mueller, 213-719-5663, of Nissan Motor Corporation in U.S.A.

-30- 928

#90226p5276 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Barry Collier, president and chief executive officer of Prism Entertainment Corporation (AMEX: PRZ), today reported that stockholders, at the annual meeting held today, elected Wirt D. Walker a director of the company. Paul Levenson and Richard Lorber did not stand for re-election to the board, therefore the addition of Walker sets the size of the board at four members.

Since 1982, Walker has been a director and the managing director of Washington, D.C. based KawAm Corporation, a private investment management and merchant banking firm. He is also the chairman of ILC Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: ILCT) a publicly held manufacturer of high performance light source products used for industrial, military, medical and aerospace applications. In addition, Walker is a director of Burns and Roe Securacom, Inc. a privately held international security firm that provides consulting, engineering, design, systems integration, and project management for large-scale projects, and a director of Commander Aircraft Company, a privately held manufacturer of the Commander single- engine aircraft.

Prism Entertainment Corporation is a home video company which markets videocassettes of theatrical and television films, children's programming, concert performances of music and comedy artists and other programming in the United States and Canada.

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe, both of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400 for Prism Entertainment Corporation.

-30- 1669

#90226p5277 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Chesapeake Corporation (NYSE: CSK), today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.18 a share on the common stock of the corporation, payable November 15, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business October 22, 1990.

This is the 57th consecutive year that Chesapeake has paid a dividend.

CONTACT: Paul A. Dresser, Jr., Chief Financial Officer of Chesapeake Corporation, 804-697-1155

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#90226p5278 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - American Oil and Gas Corp. (AMEX: AOG) today announced the following results for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990:

(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989 (Restated)	1990	1989 (Restated)
Revenues	$107,478	$25,552	$240,473	$53,182
Operating income (loss)	5,830	(280)	8,694	674
Equity in loss of WellTech, Inc.	(1,447)	(3,428)	(2,060)	(6,411)
Other income (expenses)	(1,536)	669	(3,216)	515
Net income (loss)	2,847	(3,039)	3,418	(5,222)
Net income (loss) applicable to common stock	1,138	(3,465)	1,156	(6,074)
Net income (loss) per common share	0.07	(0.41)	0.07	(0.72)

For the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, American Oil and Gas Corp. reported significant increases in its revenues and operating income as compared to the same periods in 1989. The increase in revenues is primarily a result of AOG's acquisition of the natural gas pipeline business of Cabot Corp., which was effective Nov. 1, 1989. The increase in operating income was substantially due to measures implemented to improve the operations of the acquired business.

Second quarter results reflect the favorable impact of hot and dry weather conditions in the company's primary service area that caused heavy demand

from agricultural and electric utility customers. The favorable operating results were also due to improved coordination and matching of purchase and sales transactions, and improved efficiencies in field operations.

The company's ownership of WellTech Inc. was reduced to 51 percent as a result of the restructuring of WellTech's bank indebtedness effective Sept. 30, 1989. The company's investment in WellTech is presented using the equity method of accounting, and the 1989 operating results have been restated. WellTech's operating results have improved during the first and second quarters of 1990 compared to the same periods for 1989 because of improved rig utilization, higher rates per rig hour and lower operating/administrative expenses.

The improvement in net income for the quarter and six months ended June 30 1990, compared to the same periods in 1989 was primarily attributable to the increase in operating income and the decrease in the company's equity in loss of WellTech. This improvement was partially offset by interest expense related to the debt issued in connection with the purchase of the acquired operations.

CONTACT: William P. Conner, CEO of American Oil and Gas Corp., 713-739-2900.

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#90226p5282 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

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CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe, both of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400 for Prism Entertainment Corporation

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#90226p5286 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, Okla. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - T/SF Communications Corp. (AMEX: TCM) today announced operating results for the second quarter and first six months of 1990. The company stated that it earned $85,000, or 1 cent per share of common stock, on revenues of $22,563,000 for the second quarter of 1990. This compares to earnings of $254,000, or 7 cents per share pro forma, on revenues of $18,343,000 for the second quarter of 1989. For the first half of 1990, the company lost $436,000, or 8 cents per share, on revenues of $43,115,000, as compared to earnings of $105,000 or 7 cents per share pro forma, on revenues of $35,639,000, for the first six months of 1989.

The primary reasons for the decline in earnings were the depreciation and amortization associated with Marks-Roiland Communications, which became part of the company in January, 1990, and continued losses from the company's Shopper's Guide unit, particularly its commercial printing division. These losses were partially offset by improvements in the company's information, daily newspaper and trade publishing divisions and reduced interest costs because of debt repayments.

G. Douglas Fox, chairman and chief executive officer of T/SF Communications, stated, "While the problems at Shopper's Guide, which began in the second half of last year, are beginning to ameliorate because of actions taken by the new management recently installed in this unit, the softening northeastern economy is slowing its recovery. Importantly, our operating cash flow (meaning earnings before depreciation, interest and taxes) was strong, at $2,276,000 for the second quarter and $3,622,000 for the first six months."

T/SF Communications is a diversified communications company owning a daily newspaper in Tulsa, several free distribution shopper- newspapers in New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania, five trade magazines, a specialty trade publishing company and an information services company.

CONTACT: G. Douglas Fox, Howard G. Barnett Jr., or J. Gary Mourton, 918-747-2600, all of T/SF Communications Corp.

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#90226p5291 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CONCORD, N.H. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthsource, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLTH)

announced today it has closed the acquisition of a 60 percent interest in Employee Benefit Plan Administration, Inc. (EBPA) and agreed to ultimately acquire 100 percent of EBPA over a four-year period. The price for the initial shares is $4.8 million with a formula price for the remaining shares as purchased.

EBPA, based in Hampton, N.H., is the largest Third Party Administrator (TPA) in New England with anticipated revenues of $9 million for their fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1990. EBPA provides medical and dental claims administration services to over 200,000 employees and their dependents, principally in New England.

A long-term employment agreement with EBPA's principals, George J. McCullough, chairman, and Robert J. McDermott, president and chief executive officer, is a key term of the transaction. McCullough has over 35 years in the employee benefit and insurance industry. Prior to joining EBPA, he held vice presidencies in the multiple national insurance brokerage firms of Fred S. James, Carroon & Black and Jardine Insurance Brokers.

After eight years with Coopers and Lybrand, McDermott joined Zayre Corporation, a Fortune 50 retailer, where he hald the positions of vice president, finance/staff and financial controller. During the six year tenures of McDermott and McCullough, EBPA has more than tripled in size.

"With EBPA's administrative and financial expertise along with Healthsource's advanced cost management technologies, including its HMOs, PPOs and utilization review services in New England, the combined companies are positioned to provide the sophisticated health care cost containment products that today's environment requires," said Healthsource President and Chief Executive Officer Norman C. Payson, M.D. "We are confident that New England employers will find that the expanded benefits options resulting from the merger will provide them with a variety of competitive benefits solutions for the future."

Healthsource recently concluded an agreement with Coordinated Medical Services of North Carolina, Inc. (CMS) to purchase a 29 percent interest in CMS, with the opportunity to increase that interest to 49 percent; the CMS Agreement is subject to shareholder approval of certain matters and North Carolina regulatory approval. CMS and operates a 37,000-member HMO in the Raleigh-Durham area of North Carolina. Healthsource has also concluded a five-year management agreement with Patients' Choice, a 26,000-member HMO in Syracuse, N.Y., subject to the approval of New York regulatory authority.

Healthsource, Inc. also has interests in and manages three health maintenance organizations (HMOs), in New Hampshire, Maine and South Carolina with approximately 63,000 members and more than 1,900

participating physicians. The company's stock is traded on NASDAQ with the symbol "HLTH".

CONTACT: Thomas Congoran of Healthsource, 603-225-5077

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#90226p5295 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Geotek Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: GOTK) announced today operating results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990 net revenues rose 61 percent to $5,744,000 from $3,563,000 in the same quarter of 1989. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net revenues rose 71 percent to $11,890,000 from $6,973,000 a year ago.

The net loss for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, declined to $423,000, or 16 cents per share, from a net loss of $594,000, or 37 cents per share, in the second quarter of 1989. The net loss for the six months ended June 30 1990, was $917,000, or 34 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $642,000, or 40 cents per share, in the first six months of 1989.

Yaron Eitan, president and CEO of Geotek, stated, "The improvement in operating results will continue during 1990. We are on plan for both sales and earnings, and the acquisition of U.S.I. Venture Corp., completed in June 1990, provides Geotek with the necessary financial resources to continue its growth. The substantial increase in revenues reflects the addition of Jerico Precision Mfg. Corp., the Defense Electronics Group's domestic manufacturing base in New York."

Geotek manufactures a variety of products for the computer and telecommunication industries in Israel and the United States, including high quality transformers and power supplies. The company also manufactures sophisticated electronic fuzes for munitions and other mechanical defense articles.

GEOTEK INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Six months		Three months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Net sales	$11,853,000	$6,752,000	$5,711,000	$3,503,000
Interest and other income	37,000	221,000	33,000	60,000
Total	11,890,000	6,973,000	5,744,000	3,563,000
Costs and expenses:				

Cost of goods sold	9,551,000	5,389,000	4,516,000	2,855,000
Research and devel.	648,000	339,000	305,000	234,000
Marketing expenses	326,000	199,000	145,000	74,000
Gen. and admin. exps.	1,827,000	1,199,000	972,000	721,000
Interest	172,000	158,000	75,000	107,000
Amortization of intangibles	248,000	279,000	126,000	98,000
Total	12,772,000	7,563,000	6,139,000	4,089,000
Loss from cont. opers. before income taxes	(882,000)	(590,000)	(395,000)	(526,000)
Foreign income taxes	(35,000)	(22,000)	(28,000)	9,000
Loss from cont. opers.	(917,000)	(612,000)	(423,000)	(517,000)
Loss from operations of discontinued segment	--	(30,000)	--	(77,000)
Net loss	(917,000)	(642,000)	(423,000)	(594,000)
Wtd. avg. no. of common shares outstanding	3,136,000	1,602,000	3,191,000	1,625,000
Per common share:				
Loss from cont. opers.	(.34)	(.38)	(.16)	(.32)
Loss from discont. opers.	--	(.02)	--	(.05)
Net loss	(.34)	(.40)	(.16)	(.37)

CONTACT: Yaron Eitan, president and CEO, Yoram Bibring, CFO, or Jerrold Levy, treasurer, all of Geotek, 215-563-0310, or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe, both of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Geotek

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#90226p5296 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MESA, ARIZ. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Delivery of the 600th AH-64 Apache multi-role helicopter produced by McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) was observed here today in a special ceremony.

The logbook for the 600th Apache was presented to Col. Lee Thompson, commander of the Defense Plant Representative Office at McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co., by Erv Hunter, vice president of the company's Apache division.

Hunter said, "Today marks a major milestone in the execution of our contract with the Army. We're proud that the Apache is proving to be everything the Army has asked for...and more."

The 600th Apache aircraft was officially accepted by the Army at the end of July. With a monthly output of six Apaches, production on the Army contract for 807 Apaches is expected to run through fall 1993.

The Apache is the world's most lethal and technically advanced helicopter, delivering unprecedented firepower with deadly accuracy. Combat-proven in

Panama, the aircraft can be equipped with a formidable array of air-to-ground and air-to-air weapons unmatched by any other rotorcraft.

"As the first attack helicopter developed specifically for day, night and adverse weather combat missions, the Apache adds a lethal dimension to the combined arms team," Hunter said. "It is unmatched in performance, cost-effectiveness and advanced technology."

With its weapons flexibility and advanced technologies, the Apache has numerous mission options, including air-to-air and air-to- ground combat, low-intensity conflicts, armed reconnaissance, coastal defense, drug enforcement, anti-armor and air defense suppression. Its presence on the global scene is growing, as McDonnell Douglas increases sales to foreign customers.

Beyond 1993, the Apache will evolve into an even more sophisticated attack helicopter called the Longbow Apache. McDonnell Douglas was awarded a $194.5 million, full-scale development contract in August 1989 to modify four existing Apaches into Longbow Apache prototypes.

Current U.S. Army plans call for the remanufacture of 227 Apaches into the Longbow configuration, with deliveries to begin in 1994.

CONTACT: Hal Klopper of McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Company, 602-891-5519

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#90226p5297 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Resort Income Investors Inc. (AMEX: RII) today reported earnings for its second quarter ended June 30, 1990. Net income for the quarter was $1,292,314, or $0.31 per share, based on 4,156,000 shares outstanding, compared with $2,245,068, or $0.54 per share for the second quarter in 1989.

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $2,587,248, or $0.62 per share, versus $3,727,276, or $0.90 per share, for the same period in 1989. Included in operating results for the second quarter and first six months of 1989 is the receipt by the company of Bonus Interest of $578,450 from the early retirement of the company's Laguna Niguel loans made to an affiliated borrower.

The second quarter dividend of $0.375 per share was declared by the board of directors on July 9, 1990, and is payable today to shareholders of record July 20, 1990. Annual dividends of $1.50 per share are guaranteed through Oct. 31, 1991.

Christopher B. Hemmeter, chairman of the company, announced that terms of

the company's demand loan to an affiliated borrower, Laguna Niguel Resort Associates, were modified effective Aug. 1, 1990. The modification provides for a new interest rate of 18 percent simple interest per annum, paid 12 percent currently on a quarterly basis and 6 percent accruing until repayment of the demand loan. Mr. Hemmeter noted that the increased interest rate on the demand note will have a favorable impact on company operations. The company operates as a Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. As such, it is required to distribute to shareholders at least 95 percent of its taxable income each year to continue to qualify as a REIT.

Resort Income Investors, Inc. (RII) is a Chicago-based REIT. RII is a lender focusing on the destination resort market and has a portfolio of participating pre-development mortgage loans made to affiliates of Hemmeter Corporation.

The Investment Manager of RII is RC&H Inc. The Investment Manager is responsible for reviewing investment options and making investment recommendations to the RII Board of Directors.

RC&H Inc. is an affiliate of Hemmeter Corporation, a company founded and headed by Mr. Hemmeter, the recognized leader in the development of luxury destination resorts. Previous developments of Hemmeter Corporation include the Hyatt Regency Waikiki at Hemmeter Center in Honolulu, Hyatt Regency Maui, the Westin Kauai at Kauai Lagoons, the Westin Maui, and the Hyatt Regency Waikoloa on the Big island of Hawaii.

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#90226p5298 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG.14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) today announced the appointment of Tatham - Laird & Kudner, Chicago, as the advertising agency for Old Spice and Santa Fe, effective immediately. Old Spice and Santa Fe had been handled by Scali, McCabe, Sloves, Inc., New York.

Procter & Gamble recently acquired Old Spice and Santa Fe men's toiletries and fragrances from American Cyanamid's Shulton Group. This purchase was completed on July 26, 1990.

"We are reassigning Old Spice and Santa Fe to consolidate these businesses at an agency currently handling P&G brands," said L. Ross Love, vice president - advertising for Procter & Gamble. "We appreciate the contributions which Scali, McCabe, Sloves has made to the Old Spice and Santa Fe businesses."

In addition to Old Spice and Santa Fe, Tatham - Laird & Kudner will continue to handle Biz, Coast, Mr. Clean, Metamucil, Head & Shoulders, Chloraseptic and Vicks Throat Drops.

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#90226p5299 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Shopping Network, Inc. (NYSE: HSN) announced that Vice Chancellor Jack B. Jacobs of the Delaware State Court of Chancery, ruled today in a bondholder lawsuit that HSN, with certain exceptions, did not have the legal authority to place a notice legend on share certificates of certain common stock convertible from HSN's 5 1/2 percent Eurodollar Convertible Debentures (the "Convertible Debentures"), which had been underwritten by Drexel Burnham Lambert, Inc. ("Drexel") in April, 1987. The Convertible Debentures are the subject of a fraud lawsuit filed by HSN against Drexel in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida. The legend provided notice to all holders that in the event HSN prevailed in its lawsuit against Drexel that the contested shares could be subject to cancellation. In this regard, Vice Chancellor Jacobs excluded Drexel and any other parties named in the Florida fraud suit as having conspired with Drexel from his ruling.

On May 4, 1988, HSN announced its intention to place a notice legend on the contested share certificates to protect its right of possible cancellation and then filed a declaratory judgment action before Judge William J. Castagna, the judge in HSN's federal suit, to confirm its legal right to do so. HSN's request for a declatory judgment to allow legending was vigorously opposed by Bankers Trust, the Trustee under the Convertible Debenture Indenture, which was represented by the New York law firm of White & Case. Bankers Trust opposed legending at the specific request of more than 25 percent of the bondholders, arguing that legending would violate Delaware law. Drexel, which was represented by another nationally recognized law firm, Patterson, Belknap, Webb & Tyler also opposed legending.

On Oct. 11, 1988 Judge Castagna ruled in HSN's favor and confirmed that HSN had the right to place a legend on the contested share certificates. Judge Castagna held that "legending could not be more appropriate here since, without a legend on the Contested Shares, HSN will be effectively deprived of any available remedy should it prevail in this lawsuit." HSN and Bankers Trust considered the ruling to be dispositive of the legending issue. Based on this clear ruling, HSN placed the legend on contested share certificates.

In June, 1989, a class action lawsuit was filed by certain holders of the Convertible Debentures challenging, among other things, HSN's right to place a notice legend on contested share certificates. HSN moved to have the Delaware lawsuit dismissed based on, among other things, the fact that Judge Castagna had already ruled on the legending issue. Vice Chancellor Jacobs, however, ruled that, in his opinion, Bankers Trust, as Trustee acting at the request of more than 25 percent of the bondholders, was not representing the bondholders in HSN's federal declaratory judgment action and thus the bondholders were not bound by Judge Castagna's ruling. Vice Chancellor Jacobs then held, contrary to Judge Castagna's ruling, that HSN did not have the right to place the legend on the contested share certificates. Vice Chancellor Jacobs further ruled that HSN is liable for any damages caused by the legal uncertainty resulting from the legending and ordered further briefing on certain class action issues. It is expected that hearings will be held to determine the amount of damages owed by HSN to the bondholders based on the negative effect of the legending on the value of the Convertible Debentures.

According to Nando DiFilippo, executive vice president and general counsel of HSN, "We are very surprised and disappointed by Vice Chancellor Jacobs' unprecedented decision which is tantamount to a state court judge reversing the decision of a federal court judge. It is also terribly unfair to HSN and its shareholders since the company only placed the legend on the contested shares after we got the green light from Judge Castagna. HSN will appeal Vice Chancellor Jacobs' decision immediately to the Delaware Supreme Court and we are confident of having it reversed."

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - American Real Estate Partners, L.P. (NYSE: ACP) today reported the following second quarter and six month financial results:

AMERICAN REAL ESTATE PARTNERS, L.P.
(Consolidated, Unaudited)

Second quarter ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$14,868,269	$14,629,642
Earnings before property transactions	6,206,420	6,071,279
(Loss) gain on property transactions	(2,171,416)	1,308,253
Net earnings	$ 4,035,004	$ 7,379,532
Net earnings per unit of limited partnership interest	$.28	$.50
Six months ended June 30	**1990**	**1989**
Revenues	$29,863,923	$29,079,943

Earnings before property transactions	12,573,465	12,322,176
(Loss) gain on property transactions	(2,171,416)	1,325,981
Net earnings	$10,402,049	$13,648,157
Net earnings per unit of limited partnership interest	$.70	$.91

In announcing the company's financial results, Chairman of the Board Benjamin D. Fein stated that revenues, earnings before property transactions and the amount of cash flow generated from day-to-day operations increased for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, from the comparable periods of 1989. However, Fein noted that net earnings decreased for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, from the comparable periods of 1989 since losses were recorded for financial statement purposes as a result of the sale, during the quarter ended June 30, 1990, of certain real estate tenanted by the Western Union Corporation for less than the book value of such properties for financial reporting purposes. Fein also noted that while losses were recorded on the Western Union sales, these properties and all other properties sold during the 1990 periods were sold for net proceeds in excess of the appraised value of the properties at the time of the exchange in 1987.

American Real Estate Partners is a master limited partnership engaged in acquiring and managing real estate with a primary focus on office, retail and industrial properties.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Finn, senior vice president and chief financial officer, 212-353-7775, or Patricia S. Bennett (investor relations), 212-353-6207, both of American Real Estate Partners

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#90226p5306 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Quebec and Ontario Paper Co. (Q & O) announced today that its Thorold, Ontario, newsprint mill is scheduled to shut down on at 7 p.m. today (Tuesday) as a result of a strike declared by three locals of the Canadian Paperworkers Union.

Labor contracts with eight union locals representing a total of 530 workers at the mill expired on April 30, 1990 and initial meetings with the locals were held in late June and early July. Contract bargaining resumed with the three CPU locals on Thursday, August 9.

Negotiation meetings are continuing with the remaining five locals at the mill.

Q & O's Baie Comeau, Quebec, newsprint mill was shut down on July 28 as a result of a strike by CPU locals representing 1,200 employees. The Baie Comeau mill has a rated annual capacity of 450,000 metric tons.

The Thorold mill has a rated annual capacity of 315,000 metric tons. Q & O is a wholly owned subsidiary of Tribune Company (NYSE: TRB).

CONTACT: Garry Smith of Quebec and Ontario Paper Company, 416-641-4378

-30- 1249

#90226p5307 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

STUART, FLA. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Seacoast Banking Corporation of Florida (NASDAQ-NMS: SBCFA), a bank holding company whose subsidiary is First National Bank and Trust Company of the Treasure Coast, today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.10 per share on Class A stock, an indicated annual dividend of $.40.

It also declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.09 per share on Class B stock, an indicated annual dividend of $.36. The dividends are payable on Sept. 28 to shareholders of record of Sept. 14.

Seacoast, which is the largest locally controlled and managed bank on Florida's Treasure Coast, one of the wealthiest areas in Florida and one of the fastest growing in the nation, has total combined assets of approximately $500 million.

CONTACT: Dennis S. Hudson III, secretary and treasurer of Seacoast Banking Corporation of Florida, 407-288-6086; or Kip Myers of Myers & Associates Inc., 407-287-1990, for Seacoast Banking Corporation of Florida

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#90226p5308 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE The following was issued by the Association of Flight Attendants:

In a strongly worded opinion, a federal district court in Portland, Ore., ruled yesterday that Horizon Air Industries engaged in illegal bad faith bargaining under the Railway Labor Act during its three years of negotiations with the Association of Flight Attendants over the terms of an initial collective bargaining agreement for the carrier's flight attendants. Finding that Horizon "bargained in a manner designed to frustrate the negotiations," the court ordered the company to "cease and desist" from any conduct designed to forestall the reaching of an agreement. Horizon's chief negotiator was singled out by the court for his lack of authority, as well as his "arrogance, intimidation, and intractability" at the bargaining table. The court also ordered Horizon to pay AFA's attorney's fees and costs incurred during the lawsuit.

The court found that Horizon's opposition to AFA began with the union's organizing campaign, and that the company never intended to reach an agreement with AFA. Citing repeated delays, cancellations, ultimatums, and the company's consistent refusal to make proposals and counterproposals, coupled with offers designed to elicit rejection by the union and worsen the flight attendants' working conditions, the court found that Horizon engaged in "the mere pretense of negotiation with a completely closed mind." This is a virtually unprecedented ruling in favor of a union in the airline industry. Not even Carl Icahn or Frank Lorenzo has been held by a court to have bargained in bad faith.

AFA, on behalf of the Horizon flight attendants, sued the airline in April 1989, alleging that the company was engaged in bad faith bargaining with the union, and had interfered with the flight attendants' right to organize. The case went to trial on June 26, 1990 in front of Judge Malcolm Marsh.

Horizon Air flight attendants first voted for representation by AFA in August 1987. The parties have been in negotiations ever since but have not reached agreement on a contract. Since early 1989, the talks have been conducted under the supervision of mediator Richard Cosgrave, under the authority of the National Mediation Board.

The Association of Flight Attendants, AFL-CIO, represents 30,000 flight attendants on 18 airlines, including flight attendants at both Horizon Air and Alaska Airlines. AFA is the largest flight attendant union in the world.

CONTACT: Deborah Greenfield or Lorraine Bennett of the Association of Flight Attendants, 202-328-5400

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#90226p5309 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Comcast Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: CMCSA, CMCSK) today reported results for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990.

The company announced that revenues and operating cash flow for the period reached record highs.

Revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1990, were $163,655,000, an increase of 21 percent over the revenues of $134,962,000 for the same period in 1989. The company reported operating cash flow (defined as operating income before depreciation and amortization) of $69,348,000 as compared to $54,043,000 for the prior year, representing an increase of 28 percent. Comcast recorded a net loss of $41,796,000 or $.37 per share, as compared to a net loss of $30,589,000 for the prior year, or $.29 per

share.

Revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were $319 million, an increase of 21 percent over the revenues of $263,677,000 for the same period in 1989. The company reported operating cash flow (defined as operating income before depreciation and amortization) of $133,253,000 as compared to $103,970,000 for the prior year, representing an increase of 28 percent. Comcast recorded a net loss of $87,737,000 or $.78 per share, as compared to a net loss of $71,749,000 for the prior year, or $.70 per share.

These previously anticipated losses are due primarily to financing costs and non-cash charges for depreciation and amortization associated with the company's acquisitions. Also included is the company's proportionate share of losses associated with its ownership of 50 percent of Storer Communications Inc.

Brian L. Roberts, president of Comcast, stated, "We are pleased to report that our business results are better than ever, as indicated by our outstanding second quarter. We remain confident about the outlook regarding proposed cable television legislation and are confident that the lawmakers will be supportive of the cable industry's continued efforts to provide the highest quality services to our customers."

Comcast Corp. is principally engaged in the development and operation of cable communications systems. The company's consolidated and affiliated operations served more than 2.4 million subscribers at June 30, 1990. This included 784,000 subscribers representing 50 percent of the total subscribers served by Storer Communications Inc. Neither the results of operations or financial condition of the Storer systems are included in the company's consolidated financial statements. In addition, the company provides cellular telephone communications services, installs commercial sound systems and owns the largest independent network of background music systems operating under the Muzak name.

The Class A and Class A Special common stock are traded in the Over-the-Counter market and are reported in the National Market List under the NASDAQ symbols CMCSA and CMCSK, respectively.

COMCAST CORP.
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended	Three months		Six months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Service income	$163,655	$134,962	$319,000	$263,677
Costs and expenses	94,307	80,919	185,747	159,707
Operating cash flow	69,348	54,043	133,253	103,970
Depreciation and				

amortization	39,732	31,305	80,409	62,378
Interest expense, net	50,394	37,291	103,255	87,260
Equity in loss of affiliates	21,272	13,402	40,779	29,281
Total	111,398	81,998	224,443	178,919
(Loss) before income taxes	(42,050)	(27,955)	(91,190)	(74,949)
Income taxes (benefit)	(254)	2,634	(3,453)	(3,200)
Net (loss)	(41,796)	(30,589)	(87,737)	(71,749)
(Loss) per share(A)	($.37)	($.29)	($.78)	($.70)
Average number of shares(A)	112,872	104,232	112,841	102,389
Dividends declared per share(A)	$.03	$.027	$.06	$.047

Consolidated Balance Sheet
(Unaudited; in thousands)

	June 31, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Current assets	$296,306	$314,037
Investments, principally in affiliates	864,921	913,315
Property and equipment, net	510,712	506,111
Deferred charges	813,787	849,265
Total assets	2,485,726	2,582,728
Current liabilities	162,071	157,241
Long-term debt, less current portion	2,205,678	2,208,035
Deferred income taxes and other	44,175	49,407
Stockholders' equity	73,802	168,045
Total liabilities & stockholders' equity	2,485,726	2,582,728

(A) All share and per-share data have been retroactively adjusted to reflect the 3-for-2 stock split in the form of a 50 percent stock dividend effective Oct. 24, 1989.

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both of Comcast

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#90226p5311 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Bell of Pennsylvania today asked the state Supreme Court to permit an appeal from a lower court ruling banning Caller ID in Pennsylvania.

On May 30, the Commonwealth Court overturned a Public Utility Commission order authorizing Caller ID. Caller ID displays a caller's telephone number on a screen at the telephone being called before the call is answered.

In documents filed today, Bell of Pennsylvania argued the Commonwealth Court erred when it ruled Caller ID violated the Pennsylvania Wiretap Act and constitutional privacy.

The company said the Commonwealth Court ruling disregards the privacy rights of persons who receive intrusive calls including obscene and harassing calls.

Furthermore, the company said, the Commonwealth Court decision jeopardizes emergency 911 telephone service, which, like Caller ID, provides the caller's telephone number to police, ambulance and fire dispatch centers.

"By misinterpreting the Wiretap Act to require consent from every caller, including harassing and obscene callers, the Court has not only prohibited a new and useful service to the public but has called into question the legality of emergency 911 service, which likewise reveals the caller's phone number without his consent," the company said.

The company petition continued, the Commonwealth Court "has also completely ignored the privacy rights of persons who receive intrusive calls by radically departing from this court's established constitutional precedents. It has given callers an unprecedented right to make anonymous calls of whatever type, disregarding the basic right of people receiving unwanted calls 'to be let alone,' as Justice Brandeis said a century ago."

The Supreme Court must agree to hear an appeal of the lower court ruling before the appeal can be initiated.

CONTACT: Thomas C. Duddy, 215-466-4549, or Saul Kohler, 717-255-4181, or Shirley Risoldi, 412-633-5574, all of Bell of Pennsylvania

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#90226p5313 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHVALE, N.J. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - MEM Company, Inc. (AMEX: MEM) today reported second quarter sales of $6.7 million, a drop of 25 percent from the prior year. Net loss for the quarter was $1.3 million or $.51 per share, compared with a similar loss in the prior year of $1.3 million or $.49 per share. For the first half, sales of $12.9 million were 28 percent below the prior year. Net loss for the first six months was $2.7 million or $1.06 per share, versus the prior year loss of $2.2 million or $.83 per share.

MEM announced that it will not pay a dividend with respect to the third quarter of 1990. The company is experiencing a liquidity shortage and is negotiating with its current bank lenders and other lenders to satisfy its

additional seasonal needs for the next six months. MEM has outstanding $16 million in bank borrowings and anticipates the need for an additional $10 million in connection with the 1990 Christmas season. The first layer of borrowing has a maturity at the end of August. In the prior year MEM used $28 million of its available lines of credit. The company has granted security interests in its assets other than real property in favor of the banks.

The year-to-date sales shortfalls reflect retail sluggishness, and an uncertain economy. The increased loss reflects the impact of the sales decline since certain portions of the company's expenses are of a fixed nature as well as start up costs for a new fragrance. The company has instituted economies which have helped flatten losses in the second quarter.

Advance bookings for the Christmas season are on schedule and the company's newest men's cologne, Fathom has been well accepted by the retail trade. Christmas shipments started this month and the company believes prospects for a good holiday season are strong.

CONTACT: Bob Perilla of Bob Perilla Associates, 212-581-5775, for MEM Company

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#90226p5316 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Rouse Company (NASDAQ: ROUS) of Columbia, Md., today released its Interim Report to Shareholders for the second quarter of 1990. Earnings before depreciation and deferred taxes from operating properties were $28,906,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1990, a 13 percent increase over the $25,686,000 recorded in 1989's first half.

Total earnings before depreciation and deferred taxes were $19,388,000, down from $24,531,000 in 1989's first half. The decline was primarily the result of timing delays in the sale of land in Columbia. The lower land sales combined with increased depreciation expenses to produce a net loss of $3,965,000 for the six month period. In 1989, the comparable period produced net earnings of $5,341,000, which included $5,126,000 in non-recurring net gains primarily related to the disposition of assets.

The report noted the strong sales growth of tenants in the company's retail centers. The 6.5 percent sales gain from comparable space was the highest first half increase since 1984.

Chairman and chief executive officer Mathias J. DeVito stated, "The year has progressed as anticipated thus far. Operating properties are performing very well and are on track for another excellent year... We

believe the company is well-positioned.... to continue to produce good results for shareholders."

CONTACT: David L. Tripp, vice president of The Rouse Company, 301-992-6546

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#90226p5321 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNETONKA, MN. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Advance Circuits, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ADVC), Minnetonka-based manufacturer of printed circuits, has been named the recipient of the U.S. Small Business Administration, "Administrator's Award of Excellence."

Presentation of the Award will be made by Edward D. Murnane, U.S. SBA Regional Administrator, and Edward Daum, U.S. SBA District Director of Minnesota, at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 16, 1990, at Advance Circuits, Inc. corporate headquarters in Minnetonka.

Robert W. Heller, president/CEO and chief quality officer, said that earning this award reflects a significant commitment to improvement by all employees.

CONTACT: Robert W. Heller of Advance Circuits, 612-935-3311

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#90226p5322 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Care Group (NASDAQ: CARE) which provides specialized home health care services primarily to AIDS patients, today reported record level revenues during the second quarter and first half of 1990.

The Care Group's operating revenues, on a consolidated basis, for the three months ending June 30, 1990 were $3,118,451 a 34 percent increase over $2,330,129 for the same period a year ago. Operating revenues for the six months were $6,043,961 a 32 percent increase over $4,592,867 for the same period in 1989. Net income for the second quarter and first six months of 1990 were $163,958 and $309,498 as compared to $226,988 and $440,379 for the same periods in 1989. Per share earnings for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990 were 5 cents and 10 cents per share, respectively, based upon 3,154,727 and 3,148,498 weighted average number of shares. Earnings for the same period in 1989 were 13 cents and 26 cents per share based upon 1,675,000 shares outstanding.

Ann Mittasch, president, indicated that the decline in first half 1990 earnings is due to short-term start-up expenses related to the company's expansion program. The Care Group recently opened new operation offices in Long Island, N.Y. and Fort Lauderdale, Fla. to meet the needs of AIDS

patients in these regions. Additionally, the company established an important new division, The Oncology Team to meet the special home care needs of cancer patients. The company is confident that the second half of 1990 and the full year results will show improved performance reflecting the Care Group's expansion program.

THE CARE GROUP, INC.

Periods ended:	13 weeks		26 weeks	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$3,118,451	$2,330,129	$6,043,961	$4,592,867
Net income	163,958	226,988	309,498	440,379
Earns. per share	$.05	$.13	$.10	$.26
Wtd. avg. no. of common shares	3,154,727	1,675,000	3,148,498	1,675,000

CONTACT: Ann Mittasch, president of The Care Group, 516-869-8383

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#90226p5325 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, N.J. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Unigene Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ: UGNE) today reported a net loss for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $575,000 or $.05 per share, compared to a loss of $584,000 or $.05 per share for the second quarter ended June 30, 1989. The net loss for the six months was $1,145,000 or $.09 per share, compared to a loss of $601,000 or $.05 for the first half of 1989.

As of June 30, 1990, Unigene had cash and short-term investments of $6,100,000 with a working capital ratio of 18:1.

Unigene also announced the termination of its research collaboration with Berlex Laboratories to develop a new class of compounds for the treatment of vascular-related disorders. Unigene has received $633,000 from Berlex since the one year collaboration began, representing 75 percent of the funding originally established for the program, and may receive additional funds in the future. Unigene intends to continue its research in this promising area and may later seek a new partner committed to the development of this program.

Unigene Laboratories, Inc. has developed a proprietary amidation process capable of producing peptide hormones for the treatment of a variety of diseases and disorders including osteoporosis, dwarfism and hypertension.

CONTACT: William Steinhauer, controller of Unigene Laboratories, 201-882-0860, or Anthony J. Russo or Claudia Mueller, both of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for Unigene Laboratories

-30- 1668

#90226p5326 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Nucorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: NUCO) today reported the unaudited results of its operations for the six- and three-month periods ended June 30, 1990, compared to the six- and three-month periods ended June 30, 1989, as follows:

NUCORP, INC.

Periods ended	Six Months		Three Months	
June 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$17,553,000	$3,351,000	$11,191,000	$1,825,000
Total operating costs and expenses	(13,385,000)	(2,911,000)	(8,770,000)	(1,388,000)
Inc. before taxes	$ 4,168,060	$ 440,000	$ 2,421,000	$ 437,000
Income taxes	(1,582,000)	(150,000)	(919,000)	(150,000)
Net income	$ 2,586,000	$ 290,000	$ 1,502,000	$ 287,000
Net inc. per share	$ .30	$ .07	$ .17	$ .06
Wtd. avg. common & common equivalent shares outstanding	10,438,063	3,868,140	10,584,571	4,487,672

Results of operations for the six and three months ended June 30, 1990 include the results of operations of United Capitol Holding Co. and its subsidiary, United Capitol Insurance Co., since their acquisition by Nucorp on Feb. 20, 1990.

CONTACT: Susan Obuchowski, 312-454-0100, for Nucorp

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#90226p5328 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Itel Corp. (NYSE: ITL) and The Henley Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: HENG) executed an agreement giving Itel the right to purchase between 50 percent and 100 percent of the 18.7 million shares of Itel common stock held by Henley.

The 9.35 million shares which Itel is committed to purchase will be acquired half in the next 30 days and half at year-end for an average price of $18.75 per share.

Itel was granted an option to purchase the remaining 9.35 million shares between Jan. 1, 1991 and July 31, 1991 at $21 to $22 per share depending on when the option is exercised. To the extent the option is not exercised, Itel guaranteed that Henley will receive net proceeds of at least $22 per share if it sells the shares prior to the end of 1991.

Itel intends to fund the purchases in 1990 totalling approximately $175 million from selective sales of assets and existing financial resources.

Henley received its Itel shares in 1988 as part of a transaction in which Itel acquired assets from Henley.

"The transaction benefits both companies," said Samuel Zell, chairman of Itel. "It represented a unique opportunity for Itel to acquire over one third of our outstanding stock at attractive prices and terms. The completion of this transaction now permits us to focus on a variety of alternatives to further enhance our shareholders' value."

CONTACT: Gloria Waber of Itel, 312-902-1515

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#90226p5331 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARIS, Ontario (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The financial results of Redlaw Industries Inc. (AMEX: RDL) of Paris, Ontario for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 ended June 30, 1990 were today released by the company. All dollars quoted are Canadian.

Consolidated sales from continuing operations for the first nine months were $55,412,000 compared to $59,095,000 for the same nine months of the previous year.

Loss from continuing operations and net loss for the first nine months was $434,000 or 5 cents per share. This compares to last year's first nine months income from continuing operations of $4,157,000 or 56 cents per share which was reduced by the loss from discontinued operations and provision for estimated loss on disposal of those operations totalling $7,442,000 or $1.01 per share to bring the period's final results to a net loss of $3,285,000 or 45 cents per share.

Third quarter consolidated sales this year were $19,360,000 compared to last year's $20,723,000.

Third quarter results this year were a loss from continuing operations and a net loss of $485,000 or 6 cents per share compared to last year's income from continuing operations of $1,455,000 or 19 cents per share less $6,818,000 or 88 cents per share loss from discontinued operations and provision for estimated loss on disposal of those operations for a net loss of $5,363,000 or 69 cents per share.

CONTACT: Bev Lanning, controller of Redlaw Industries, 519-442-4446.

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MONTREAL (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Dominion Textile reported today net income of $11.0 million, or $0.19 per share, for the 1990 fiscal year

ended June 30, compared with $9.3 million, or $0.14 per share, in 1989. An extraordinary after-tax charge of $38.1 million resulted in a final net loss of $28.8 million, or $1.29 per share, in fiscal 1989.

Consolidated sales were $1 379.4 million, compared with $1 403.1 million in 1989. The lower level resulted mainly from the sale of the corporation's bed fashion assets in the first quarter of the fiscal year. On a comparable basis, excluding sales of bed fashions, the corporation's sales increased by 8 percent to $1,360.1 million in 1990 from $1,260.2 million last year.

For the fourth quarter, Dominion Textile recorded a net loss of $5.8 million, or $0.25 per share, against net income of $12.4 million, or $0.42 per share, in the corresponding 1989 period. An extraordinary after-tax charge of $38.1 million resulted in a net loss of $25.7 million, or $1.01 per share, in the 1989 fourth quarter.

Consolidated sales in the fourth quarter were $377.1 million, compared with $397.4 million in the 1989 period. On a comparable basis, 1990 sales from continuing operations actually increased by 3.3 percent from $364.9 million in 1989.

Charles H. Hantho, president and chief executive officer of Dominion Textile, said fourth quarter results were adversely affected by a number of market factors.

"Weak demand, combined with continued destocking by the retail and apparel industries, have left primary textile manufacturers with higher than normal inventories and weak mill schedules," said Hantho. "This has led to price discounting at a time when raw material cotton costs are high by historical standards. The resulting sluggish volume and depressed margins are impacting many of the corporation's businesses in North America and Europe."

The situation in Canada was further aggravated by a strong Canadian dollar while in Europe the corporation's Klopman unit continued to be affected by the relative strength of the lira against most European currencies, particularly the British pound. Meanwhile, weak demand in the automotive, home furnishing and construction industries in North America affected the performance of the Industrial Products Group.

The Technical Fabrics Group in Europe and in Asia continued to show a good performance, as did the company's open-end yarn business in the United States.

Hantho said the immediate outlook for the North American economy is not encouraging. "We are witnessing a continuation of soft markets and high cotton costs in the first quarter of fiscal 1991. Faced with this

situation, the corporation is taking appropriate action to reduce costs, conserve cash and position itself for the upturn when it comes."

DOMINION TEXTILE
(In millions of dollars)

Periods Ended	Three Months		12 months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$377.1	$397.4	$1 379.4	$1 403.1
Net income (loss)				
Before extraordinary item	$(5.8)	$12.4	$11.0	$9.3
After extraordinary item	(5.8)	(25.7)	11.0	(28.8)
Earnings (loss) per Common share				
Before extraordinary item				
- basic	$(0.25)	$0.42	$0.19	$0.14
- diluted	(0.25)	0.42	0.19	0.14
After extraordinary item				
- basic	(0.25)	(1.01)	0.19	(1.29)
- diluted	(0.25)	(1.01)	0.19	(1.29)

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GASTONIA, NC (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Rauch Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: RCHI), a NASDAQ traded company, today announced financial results for the second quarter of 1990, ended June 30, 1990. Rauch is America's oldest and best-known manufacturer of Christmas tree ornaments and related products.

Net sales were $1.84 million for the quarter, down 24.3 percent from $2.43 million for the year earlier quarter. The company's net loss for the quarter was $270,000, or $.16 per share, compared to $535,000 or $.33 per share, in the same quarter last year. During the second quarter of 1989, the Company incurred an extraordinary charge of $.20 per share in connection with the settlement of litigation.

Because of the seasonal nature of its business, Rauch traditionally does not report a profit in the first or second quarters.

Inventories at June 30, 1990 were $21.8 million as compared to $19.0 million for the same quarter of last year. This is a result of a planned build-up in order to level out production over the year and to eliminate overtime charges during the second half of the year.

Marshall A. Rauch, chairman, president and chief executive, reported that orders received through the end of June were approximately $29.5 million

against $29.7 million at the comparable time last year. As of this date orders received during the year have risen to $31.6 million, as compared to $34.1 million at the same time last year.

Sales for the first six months of 1990 were $2.70 million, down from $3.40 million for the comparable period in 1989, a decrease of 20.6 percent. Net loss for the period was $700,000 compared to a net loss of $934,000 in the first six months of 1989.

Rauch earned $2.5 million or $1.51 per share in 1989 on sales of $38.3 million. This was an increase of 30 percent over earnings of $1.9 million or $1.16 per share in 1988 and an increase of 17 percent over sales of $32.7 million in the prior year.

On March 20, 1990, the Company announced it has engaged the services of NCNB Investment Banking company to assist in connection with a possible sale of the company. This engagement is ongoing, however, no final decision to sell the Company has yet been made, either by the Board or by the Company's majority shareholders. Information will be released promptly as material developments occur.

CONTACT: Marshall A. Rauch, President and Chief Executive Officer, or Donald G. Walser, Executive VP and Treasurer, 704-867-5333

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CONSHOHOCKEN, PA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - George R. Graham Jr., chairman of Apparel Business Systems Inc. (ABS), has taken on additional responsibilities as president, upon the resignation of Robert J. Shallow, who had served in the post since January 1990.

Graham, who together with senior management purchased the prominent software producer late in 1989, indicated that Shallow's resignation related to issues of management policy.

Other members of the senior management team are Garry Reinhard, vice president, research and development; Jim Lawson, head of the small systems group; Jean Plush, head of program development, small systems group; Mike Dufoe, head of program development, large systems group; and Dennis Mulcare, director of sales and marketing.

Graham and the ABS management team have directed an aggressive expansion effort which has resulted in a record 20 new systems installations during the past six months.

Earlier this year, ABS expanded its role to include sales, installation, maintenance and support of IBM hardware and general- application software

through the IBM Industry Remarketer program.

In addition, the company has introduced two new software developments of its own, including a breakthrough personal computer package for use on Unix-system IBM PS/2 and RISC/6000 hardware. The Unix development is a first for the apparel, leather goods and related industries.

ABS has also completed development of a new Material Acquisition Module, designed to expedite import and export tracking.

Founded in 1973 in Philadelphia, ABS relocated its headquarters to suburban Conshohocken in May 1990. The foremost producer of computer software information systems applications specifically designed for the apparel, shoe and related industries, ABS' systems are in use by more than 600 firms worldwide.

(AS/400, PS/2 and RISC/6000 are trademarks of IBM.)

CONTACT: John Shiffert of Shaeffer & Associates, 215-546-1660, for Apparel Business Systems.

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LA JOLLA, CA. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - LIDAK Pharmaceuticals (NASDAQ: LDAKU) today announced its results of operations for the three and nine month periods ended June 30, 1990. The company reported net losses of $1,380,937 or $.29 per share and $1,923,323 or $.74 per share for the 1990 three and nine month periods, respectively. This compares to net losses of $146,751 or $.09 per share and $247,464 or $.16 per share for the 1989 three and nine month periods, respectively.

The net losses for the 1990 periods reflect a one-time charge to research and development expenses of approximately $818,000, representing the present value of installment fees payable pursuant to an exclusive 20-year technology license agreement with the Medical Biology Institute (MBI).

LIDAK Pharmaceuticals is a biotechnology company organized to develop and commercialize innovative pharmaceutical products, the first of which is a patented, topical therapeutic product that has produced positive results in volunteer human patients suffering from oral and genital herpes infections and certain inflammatory skin diseases.

Additionally, LIDAK is commercializing a technology for drug and vaccine development obtained under its exclusive license agreement with MBI in which mice with a genetic defect known as Severe Combined Immunodeficiency (SCID) have been biologically engineered to have an immune system which functions like that of human beings.

CONTACT: Michael Lorber, 619-558-0364, or Glenn Canary of The Nestor Group, 213-375-0828, both for LIDAK Pharmaceuticals

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OMAHA, NE. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - ConAgra Inc. (NYSE: CAG) today concluded the acquisition of Beatrice Co. from Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. partnerships and management investors for a combination of cash and stock valued at $1.34 billion. The acquisition agreement was announced on June 7, 1990. After a two-month review by the Federal Trade Commission, the acquisition was approved as expected.

Charles M. Harper, ConAgra's chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We are enthusiastic about Beatrice's prospects with ConAgra. Together with Beatrice's management teams, we intend to move vigorously to capitalize on Beatrice's and ConAgra's combined operating strengths."

Philip B. Fletcher, ConAgra's president and chief operating officer, said, "We are especially pleased to welcome Beatrice's employees to ConAgra's family. We know they are proud of Beatrice, and they can count on ConAgra's commitment to building Beatrice's businesses."

Harper said, "As we said in our earlier announcement, we expect Beatrice will be non-dilutive to the earnings per share level in our pre-Beatrice plan for fiscal year 1991 which began May 28. As we emphasized earlier, Beatrice represents a major strategic opportunity for our company and stockholders, including KKR and its affiliates."

Henry Kravis, a founding partner of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co., said, "We are pleased that the Beatrice investment resulted in excellent returns for the KKR equity investor group. We believe the ConAgra securities received in this transaction constitute excellent investments, and we look forward to being long-term investors in ConAgra."

Harper continued, "Our most important financial objective is to average better than a 20-percent after-tax return on year-beginning common stockholders' equity. As we said in our June 7 announcement, we expect to exceed a 20-percent return in fiscal 1991, including Beatrice's earnings and a pro rata share of common equity for Beatrice.

"For many years we have met our objective to keep long-term debt as a percent of total capitalization--equity plus long-term debt plus deferred taxes--at or below 35 percent. We have said we would go above this self-imposed constraint for a major strategic acquisition such as Beatrice. Beatrice's cash flows and ConAgra's uncommitted financial capacity will help us restore our long-term debt position to a level

consistent with our internal objective in a reasonable period."

ConAgra acquired Beatrice for $11.50 per share. The purchase transaction consisted of $626 million in cash, net of proceeds for warrants exercised by Beatrice shareholders, $355 million in ConAgra common stock and $355 million in ConAgra convertible preferred stock --a total of $1.34 billion.

ConAgra is issuing 11,076,151 shares of common stock and 141,955 shares of convertible preferred stock. The preferred stock has a dividend rate of 6.75 percent and is convertible on a fully diluted basis to 9,631,433 shares of ConAgra common stock. The number of common and convertible preferred shares issued was based on a value of $32.0407 per share of ConAgra common stock as determined by average trading prices during periods before signing the definitive agreement and closing the transaction. Following the transaction close, ConAgra has about 134.4 million shares of common stock outstanding.

Beatrice is a producer and marketer of a wide range of leading food products for retail, foodservice and industrial markets. Beatrice had sales of $4.3 billion for the fiscal year ended February 28, 1990. ConAgra is a diversified food company based in Omaha. Sales for fiscal year 1990 ended May 27, 1990 were $15.5 billion.

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EDMONTON, Alberta (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Banister Inc. (AMEX: BAN; Toronto, Montreal, Alberta: BAC) today reported a net loss of $6,254,000 or $1.05 per share on revenues of $161,468,000 for the three months ended June 30, 1990. This compares with net income of $112,000 or 2 cents per share on revenues of $146,581,000 for the same period last year.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, a net loss of $7,532,000 or $1.27 per share was reported on revenues of $327,327,000 compared with net income of $286,000 or 5 cents per share on revenues of $237,184,000 for the same period in 1989.

The reported loss resulted from further problems on certain civil construction projects undertaken by The Foundation Company of Canada Limited, Banister's largest subsidiary. These projects are now near completion and all anticipated losses have been recognized.

Banister entered the second half of fiscal 1990 with a backlog of work totalling $439,542,000. Prospects continue to be good for the corporation's diversified operations, particularly in the area of pipeline cosntruction.

Banister Inc. is a Canadian construction firm specializing in civil, marine, utility, building, pipeline and industrial construction.

CONTACT: Allan S. Olson, President and C.E.O. of Banister Inc., 403-462-9430.

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MELVILLE, N.Y. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Aviation Education Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: AESX) announced today that it has acquired all of the outstanding common stock of BARTON ATC, Inc., a prominent private air traffic control company, in consideration for $1,000,000 in cash and the issuance of 1,500,000 shares of AES common stock. BARTON's assets are estimated at $3.7 million with liabilities of approximately $250,000. BARTON's revenues for the first five months of 1990 were $941,000. The acquisition adds a much needed asset and revenue base to AES and is the first major step in AES's expansion in the highly lucrative private air traffic control industry.

The capabilities, experience and reputation of BARTON ATC, Inc., combined with the resources, commitment and global capability of AES, now places AES in a far stronger position to meet the growing demands for air traffic control and educational services in private sector support of governmental operations, not only in the United States but throughout the world. BARTON ATC, Inc. is currently involved in a wide variety of international projects, including the building of air traffic control simulators, towers and weather stations for service both in the U.S., and internationally.

AES also announced today that is has entered into an agreement to sell 2,687,500 shares of its common stock to Commcept, Ltd., a Swiss corporation, at a price of $.65 per share. As of Aug. 13, 1990, 1,500,000 shares had been sold pursuant to this agreement and the company anticipates that the balance of the shares will be sold by Aug. 23, 1990. The subscription agreement provides Commcept with registration for its shares.

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SOUTH WINDSOR, CT (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Gerber Scientific, Inc. (NYSE: GRB), today announced that the location for its 1990 annual meeting of shareholders, scheduled to be held on Sept. 5, 1990 at 2:30 p.m., has been changed to the Sheraton Hotel at Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks, Conn.

Gerber Scientific changed the location of the annual meeting of shareholders after it was notified by The Summit Hotel that the hotel was permanently closing on Friday, Aug. 10, 1990.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Academy Insurance Group Inc. (NASDAQ: ACIG) today reported results for the first six months of 1990.

Net income for the first six months of 1990 was $3,540,000 compared to $1,871,000 for the same 1989 period. Net income per share was $.05 for the six months of 1990 compared to $.03 for the same period a year ago.

For the three months ending June 30, net income was $1,823,000 ($.03 per share) compared to $65,000 ($.00 per share) for the same period in 1989.

Net income for the second quarter of 1990 was up 6 percent from the first quarter of 1990, continuing the trend that began in the third quarter of 1989.

Academy Insurance Group Inc. is an insurance and financial services company that provides life, health and property/casualty products to specialty or "niche" markets. The company's primary market is noncommissioned and petty officers and their families. Academy's products are endorsed by the Non Commissioned Officers Association (NCOA).

ACADEMY INSURANCE GROUP INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF INCOME
(in thousands except per share amounts)

	6 months ended		3 months ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenues	$55,713	$51,871	$27,887	$25,767
Income before extraord. credit	$ 2,379	$ 1,259	$ 1,226	$ 65
Extraord. credit(a)	1,161	612	597	--
Net income	$ 3,540	$ 1,871	$ 1,823	$ 65
Income per share: Inc. before extraord. credit	$0.03	$0.02	$0.02	--
Extraord. credit(a)	0.02	0.01	0.01	--
Net income	$0.05	$0.03	$0.03	--
Avg. common and equiv. shares outst.	70,834	70,834	70,834	70,834

(a) Credit arising from utilization of net operating loss carryforward.

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DALLAS, (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Central and South West Corp. (NYSE: CSR) said today that Ferd. C. Meyer Jr., vice president and general counsel, has been named interim corporate secretary.

Meyer, 50, replaces Philip I. McConnell, who is taking early retirement at age 55 in September.

In July, Meyer was promoted to senior vice president and general counsel of Central and South West, effective Sept. 1.

He joined Central and South West in 1986 as vice president and assistant general counsel of the corporation's Central and South West Services Inc. (CSWS) subsidiary. In 1987, he was promoted to CSWS general counsel and assistant general counsel of Central and South West. He was named vice president and general counsel of Central and South West in 1988. Before joining Central and South West, he had been a partner in the San Antonio law firm of Matthews and Branscomb.

Meyer is an advocate in the American Board of Trial Advocates, a fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation, a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and a member of the International Association of Defense Counsel. He also is a member of the American Bar Association and the Texas Bar Association.

He holds a law degree and a bachelor's degree in business administration with a major in finance from the University of Texas at Austin.

McConnell joined Central and South West in 1977 and was named corporate secretary of the corporation and its Central and South West Services unit in 1978. Previously, he was a general attorney with Southwestern Bell Telephone.

He is a member of the Texas Bar Association and the Dallas Bar Association and currently serves as chairman of the corporate counsel section of the Dallas Bar. He also is a member of the American Society of Corporate Secretaries.

He has a law degree and a bachelor's degree from the University of Texas at Austin.

Central and South West Corp., a Dallas-based public utility holding company, owns four electric operating subsidiaries that serve customers in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Forstmann & Company, Inc. announced today that it has commenced an exchange offer for up to $60 million aggregate principal amount of the $100 million outstanding of its 14-3/4% Senior Subordinated Notes due April 15, 1999 for an equal principal amount of its new Split Coupon Senior Subordinated Notes due April 15, 1999. Under the terms of the new Split Coupon notes, Forstmann has the option to accrue interest for three years at 15-3/4 percent and thereafter will pay cash interest at 14-3/4 percent.

The exchange offer and withdrawal rights will expire at 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Tuesday, Sept. 11, 1990, unless extended. Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corporation is acting as dealer manager for the exchange offer and as financial advisor with respect to the company. The exchange offer is being made only pursuant to the offering materials that are being mailed today to the holders of record of Forstmann notes.

As a condition to the consummation of the exchange offer, the company requires that a majority of the existing 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes are exchanged and the company extends or refinances its existing bank loan facility.

Forstmann & Company, Inc. is the largest domestic manufacturer of woolen and woolen-blend fabrics, and the second largest domestic manufacturer of worsted and worsted-blend fabrics.

CONTACT: Maureen Burgess of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655/ CO: Forstmann & Company, Inc. ST: New York IN: TEX SU: OFR

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RALEIGH, N.C. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Durham Corporation (NASDAQ: DUCO) reports consolidated net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, of $7,601,000 or $0.90 per share compared to $4,354,000 or $0.52 per share in 1989. Income from continuing operations was $7,601,000 compared to $7,031,000 last year, $0.90 per share compared to $0.83 per share. Included in these earnings are realized gains on sale of investments -- these were $1,133,000 or $0.13 per share in 1990 and $3,098,000 or $0.37 per share in 1989.

Total revenues for the first six months are $129 million which is a reduction of 24 percent from revenues of $171 million reported in the first six months of the prior year. This reduction is primarily due to contraction of the Group Division. Improvement in Durham Life's group health operations has continued. The elimination of unsatisfactory accounts and the repricing of retained accounts have produced a profit from the Group Division this six months. Productivity in the Individual lines continues to improve with new sales up over 25 percent from the comparable period in 1989. The Credit Insurance Division is having another good year with revenues and profits comparable with 1989. Revenues from the Broadcasting subsidiary were down 6 percent, $6.5 million versus $6.9 million in 1989, but Broadcasting profits were up slightly over last year.

The Board of Directors of Durham Corporation at its meeting today, August 14, 1990, declared a regular quarterly dividend of $0.23 per share payable on September 11, 1990, to shareholders of record on August 28, 1990.

Durham Corporation is a Raleigh-based holding company which through its subsidiaries has interests in life, accident and health insurance, broadcasting and real estate.

DURHAM CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Raleigh, North Carolina
Financial Highlights

Six Months Ended June 30	1990	1989
Income from Continuing Operations	$ 7,601,000	$ 7,031,000
Net Income	$ 7,601,000	$ 4,354,000
Earnings Per Share from Continuing Operations	$ .90	$ .83
Earnings Per Share	$ .90	$ .52
Average Shares Outstanding	8,453,300	8,438,600
Three Months Ended June 30		
Income from Continuing Operations	$ 5,118,000	$ 5,488,000
Net Income	$ 5,118,000	$ 3,544,000
Earnings Per Share from Continuing Operations	$ .61	$ .65
Earnings Per Share	$ .61	$ .42
Average Shares Outstanding	8,455,600	$ 8,440,300

CONTACT: Donald L. Johnson, senior vice president and controller for further financial and earnings info and Floyd E. Skipper, vice president and corporate secretary, for dividend info, both or Durham Corporation, 919-881-1100

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#90226p5357 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Howmet Corporation announced today that it has purchased a site in North Haven, Conn., for a new facility for the coating, repair and refurbishment of components for jet aircraft engines.

The purchase price was not announced.

David L. Squier, executive vice president of Howmet, said the acquisition includes an existing building where the company plans to establish a facility for the coating, repair and refurbishment of blades and vanes and other components for advanced jet aircraft engines. The new activity is expected to provide state-of-the-art coating services, including chemical vapor deposition (CVD), and advanced repair and refurbishment services, Squier said.

Howmet entered the repair and refurbishment field in 1984 through the establishment of the Wichita Falls Refurbishment Center in Wichita Falls, Texas, which has since then gained a reputation as a premier facility for the repair of small-turbine engine parts. In early 1989, the company commenced operations at a second refurbishment facility, located near Tulsa, Okla., which specializes in the repair of large- engine components.

Squier said that the company's refurbishment business has expanded severalfold since its establishment in 1984 and is meeting all expectations as a leading candidate for growth. The reason for this rapid growth, he explained, is that Howmet has brought to the repair field for the first time the full technological resources of an integrated producer of investment castings and high-performance materials. The result is a fast-expanding reputation for developing unique, advanced repair technologies to extend the life of increasingly higher-value and complex aircraft engine components, he added.

The North Haven facility will further expand Howmet's role in this rapidly growing industry, said John Parkinson, Howmet's vice president, Refurbishment & Coating Operations, of which the North Haven center will be a part. Parkinson added that another activity of Howmet's Refurbishment & Coating Operations -- the Thermatech Coatings Division, Whitehall, Mich.. -- has established a world leadership position in CVD coating, which rapidly is replacing older coating methods used to protect aircraft engine and other sophisticated components.

Howmet is a world leader in the manufacture of precision investment castings of superalloy, titanium, aluminum and magnesium alloys, primarily for jet aircraft and other gas turbine engines. The company also is an important supplier of superalloy metal, advanced tooling, titanium ingot and ceramic products, and provides component refurbishment, hot isostatic

pressing, machining and coating services. Howmet and its affiliates operate 33 manufacturing facilities in the United States, Canada, France, the United Kingdom, Spain and Japan, which employ over 12,000 people and are responsible for annual sales approaching $1 billion. The company is a member of the worldwide Pechiney Group.

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CITY OF INDUSTRY, CA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Morse Technology Inc. has been formed to market a wide variety of PC sub- systems and systems including a powerful portable workstation, announced Founder and President David Chang.

The products, based on 286, 386 and 486 technology, are manufactured in Taiwan by parent company King Phoenix Company Ltd. Service and sales offices as well as parts warehouse, opened in July 1990, are located at Morse Technology's headquarters in City of Industry.

In addition to the new portable workstation to be announced at COMDEX/Fall '90, Morse will also be marketing modular PC products that include mainboards, I/O boards, floppy and hard disk controllers and VGA display systems. All products are available for immediate delivery beginning in September 1990, according to Al Astor, vice president, marketing.

"Our primary marketplace will be systems integrators and value- added resellers who are solving organizations' complex information processing needs," Astor said.

Morse is currently organizing its distribution network by reviewing independent systems integrators and other prospective value-added outlets.

For further information contact Al Astor at Morse Technology Inc., 17531 Railroad St., Unit I, City of Industry, Calif., 91748. Telephone 818-854-8688, or 818-854-8681; Fax 818-854-8682.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Conston Corp., a specialty retailer of women's clothing and accessories, which focuses primarily on large-sized women's apparel, presently in Chapter 11 federal bankruptcy proceedings, whose shares were temporarily suspended from trading on AMEX,

announced today that trading in its shares would resume on AMEX, commencing Wednesday, Aug. 15, 1990, under the revised symbol QKCS.

Conston, which announced yesterday a change in the control of its management and its business operations during its bankruptcy reorganization proceedings, said it expects to implement a plan of reorganization and to emerge from Chapter 11 as soon as practicable. Subject to Bankruptcy Court approval, Cascade International Inc. (NASDAQ: KOSM), the parent of Conston, has indicated its willingness to assist Conston in implementing that plan, once proposed and approved by creditors and the Bankruptcy Court.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corp. (NASDAQ: MCIC) and Telecom USA Inc. today concluded the long distance industry's largest merger, which combines the nation's second and fourth largest long distance telecommunications companies.

Under the agreement, originally announced on Apr. 9, MCI acquired all outstanding shares of Telecom USA's common stock for cash at a price of $42 per share, for a purchase price of approximately $1.25 billion.

"We're delighted the merger is concluded, and look forward to upholding Telecom USA's tradition of providing the highest level of service and the broadest array of products to meet customers' communications needs," Bert C. Roberts Jr., MCI president and chief operating officer, said.

"The merger of two of the industry's most aggressive and creative companies will be beneficial to both customers and shareholders," O. Gene Gabbard, MCI chief financial officer and executive vice president and former chairman of Telecom USA, said. "By combining both organizations' employees, facilities and technology, MCI becomes an even stronger force in the long distance marketplace."

MCI has obtained all necessary state and federal regulatory approvals for the transaction.

The acquisition will be initially funded by bank debt and cash on hand. The company expects that the bank debt will be repaid within three years.

CONTACT: MCI Corporate News Bureau, 800-289-0073 or 202-887-3000

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DETROIT (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Division today reported the following 10-day sales figures:

	Aug. 1-10		Month-to-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Selling days	9	9	9	9
Ford	2,231	3,456	2,231	3,456
Thunderbird	2,316	4,283	2,316	4,283
Taurus	10,767	8,653	10,767	8,653
Tempo	4,391	5,747	4,391	5,747
Escort	6,052	10,112	6,052	10,112
Festiva	1,323	1,838	1,323	1,838
Mustang	3,092	3,964	3,092	3,964
Probe	3,469	4,315	3,469	4,315
Total cars	33,641	42,368	33,641	42,368
Bronco	1,001	1,666	1,001	1,666
Bronco II/Expl	5,551	2,478	5,551	2,478
Club Wagon	398	452	398	452
Van	3,685	4,498	3,685	4,498
Aerostar	4,608	5,043	4,608	5,043
Ranger	7,372	7,647	7,372	7,647
F-Series	11,635	13,901	11,635	13,901
Heavy	1,031	2,144	1,031	2,144
Total trucks	35,281	37,829	35,281	37,829

	CYTD	
	1990	1989
Selling days	188	187
Ford	69,072	68,560
Thunderbird	68,303	76,671
Taurus	202,259	223,462
Tempo	140,495	142,583
Escort	169,264	216,430
Festiva	36,098	45,265
Mustang	79,086	115,559
Probe	82,584	88,061
Total cars	847,161	976,591
Bronco	33,607	37,226
Bronco II/Expl	92,136	65,826
Club Wagon	13,714	16,847
Van	99,274	108,274
Aerostar	118,652	124,583
Ranger	177,932	170,995
F-Series	352,405	368,195
Heavy	29,344	38,111
Total trucks	917,064	930,057

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UNION, N.J. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert S. Schiffman, president and chief executive officer of Tenney Engineering, Inc. (AMEX: TNY), announced Tenney's results of operations for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues from continuing operations for the second quarter were $4,342,000 compared to $4,876,000 in 1989. For the second quarter of 1990 the company operated at a net loss of $514,000 compared to a net loss of $206,000 in 1989 which included a pension plan curtailment gain of approximately $228,000.

Revenues from continuing operations for the six months were $8,569,000 compared to $9,954,000 in 1989. The net loss form continuing operations was $784,000, which includes a gain on the sale of a marketable security of approximately $150,000 compared to a net loss of $677,000 in 1989 which included the pension plan curtailment gain of approximately $228,000 and an income tax credit of $80,000.

At June 30, 1990, the company was not in compliance with certain covenants of its loan agreement with its bank. The company and the bank have modified such covenants to bring the company back into compliance. As part of such modification, the credit line was reduced to $3,000,000 (a decrease of $500,000); the interest rate was increased to Prime +2 percent (an increase of 1 percent) effective Aug. 14, 1990 and the maturity date of the obligation was advanced to Nov. 15, 1990.

Tenney Engineering, Inc. engineers, manufactures and markets high technology environmental test equipment, allied vacuum products and insulated enclosures.

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-30- 1855

#90226p5372 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, N.J. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines today announced that it will cut fares up to 57 percent for new flights between Atlanta and many northeastern cities, including Newark. The $69 (each way) introductory fare applies to tickets purchased by Sept. 4 for travel completed by Oct. 15.

The $69 fare is available for travel between Atlanta and Newark, Boston, Buffalo, Portland (Maine), Providence, Rochester, Syracuse, and many other

cities.

Effective Sept. 5, Continental will offer four daily round trips between Atlanta and its Newark hub.

A round-trip purchase is required and tickets are nonrefundable. The $69 fare saves up to 57 percent in comparison to Continental's regular low fares. For example, the regular discount fare to Portland, Maine, is $161 each way.

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-30- 1034

#90226p5376 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - IGENE Biotechnology, Inc. reported a net loss for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $256,088, or 10 cents per common share, vs. $509,831, or 22 cents per common share, in the second quarter of 1989.

Comparative revenues in the second quarter declined to $28,589 from $141,948 in the same period last year.

For the six month period ended June 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $521,879, or 21 cents per common share, vs. $1,012,002, or 44 cents per common share, in 1989. Comparative revenues for the first six months declined to $73,500 from $303,419 in the same period last year.

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#90226p5379 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BINGHAMTON, N.Y. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Centuri, Inc. (NASDAQ: CENT) today reported record revenues of $127,400,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1990, 23 percent higher than the $103,663,000 reported in the same period a year ago. The net loss was $3,628,000, or $0.27 per share, compared with net income of $302,000, or $0.02 per share, in the comparable period last year.

Revenues for the second quarter, ended June 30, 1990, increased 18.2 percent to $53,092,000 from $44,913,000 reported in the year earlier quarter. The net loss was $2,245,000, or $0.17 per share, compared with net income of $21,000 reported in the second quarter of 1989.

Milton Koffman, chairman and chief executive officer of Centuri, Inc., explained that the record first half revenues reflected significant acquisitions made by Outdoor Sports Headquarters, Inc. (OSHI), Centuri's

major operating subsidiary. Significant costs associated with integrating the acquired companies, high interest expense resulting from increased working capital requirements, and a weak retail environment impacted earnings in the first half of 1990. Poloron Products, Inc. (Poloron) was also effected by the recession level housing market in the Northeast. Koffman added that he anticipates Centuri would operate profitably in the second half of the year.

"We knowingly sacrificed earnings in the first half of 1990, with an eye focused on the long-term growth of OSHI. The costs of integrating OSHI's acquisitions are substantially behind us and we are not only looking forward to a resurgence of earnings in the second half of this year, but significant earnings growth in the years ahead," Koffman said.

Poloron recently implemented plans to reduce its annual operating expenses by $1 million, thereby strengthening its competitive position in the modular home industry. The subsidiary is expected to perform better in the second half of the year even with an extremely weak housing market, concluded Koffman.

Centuri, through its wholly owned OSHI, is the pre-eminent distributor of outdoor sports equipment in the country and the only nationwide distributor. Centuri holds a 85 percent interest in Poloron Products, Inc., which through its wholly owned Poloron Homes of Pennsylvania, Inc. designs, manufactures and distributes modular housing and mobile homes.

CENTURI, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS
(In $000, except per share)

Period ended:	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$53,092	$44,913	$127,400	$103,663
Inc. from opers. before minority interest	(2,298)	(10)	(3,808)	194
Minority int. in net loss of subsidiary	53	31	180	108
Net income (loss)	(2,245)	21	(3,628)	302
Inc. (loss) per common and common equivalent share	$(.17)	$.00	$(.27)	$.02
Avg. number of common & equiv. shares outstg.	13,433,170	13,472,753	13,433,170	13,472,753

CONTACT: Robert Barnard, vice president of Centuri, 607-729-5313, or Mark Starr, 212-661-8030, or after 7 p.m., 516-783-4391, or Stephanie Rohlin, 312-266-7800, both of Financial Relations Board, for Centuri

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#90226p5384 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are Chrysler Corporation's (NYSE: C) sales results for the first 10-day selling period of August.

	1990	1989	Pct. Change	Selling Days '90	Selling Days '89
Total Cars					
Aug. 1-10	17,183	27,886	-38.4	9	9
Jan. 1-Aug. 10	518,964	650,152	-20.6	188	187
Domestic Cars					
Aug. 1-10	15,667	25,515	-38.6		
Jan. 1-Aug. 10	479,693	583,567	-18.2		
Total Trucks					
Aug. 1-10	17,566	23,363	-24.8		
Jan. 1-Aug. 10	557,620	626,744	-11.5		
Domestic Trucks					
Aug. 1-10	17,339	22,372	-22.5		
Jan. 1-Aug. 10	548,753	603,055	-9.5		
Total Vehicles					
Aug. 1-10	34,749	51,249	-32.2		
Jan. 1-Aug. 10	1,076,584	1,276,896	-16.1		

All changes are computed on a daily rate basis. Comment: The comparison to the prior year is badly distorted because of the extremely high retail sales of Sundance and Shadow in the 1989 period. The 1989 figures reflect a major promotion involving double rebates for both Sundance and Shadow.

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#90226p5385 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, OR (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Epitope Inc. (AMEX: EPT) reported a loss of $1,144,000, or a per-share loss of 17 cents, for the third quarter of 1990, as compared with a loss of $599,000, or a per-share loss of 10 cents, for the same period the year prior. The results included a nonrecurring expense of $341,000 related to the settlement of employment contract obligations to two former officers.

"While the current quarter's product revenues exceeded the levels achieved in the third quarter of 1989, the net loss reflected three factors: additional research and development expenditures; costs associated with changing to revised product specifications for one product; and a decline in parentage testing demand at Epitope's clinical reference lab," commented Adolph J. Ferro, president and chief executive officer. He also stated that manufacturing yields had improved by the close of the quarter, and that in response to the reference laboratory's loss of $36,000 for the

quarter, a cost reduction program had been put into place.

Ferro noted that research and development expense was up $101,000 from the third quarter of the prior year, reflecting concentration of efforts on the company's two nearest-term projects, OraSure(TM) saliva- based AIDS test recently cleared for clinical trials by the Food and Drug Administration and VITROVINE(TM) micropropagated grape plants, as well as stepped-up efforts in development of antiprotozoan compounds which have been funded by SmithKline Beecham.

For the nine months ended June 30, revenues increased to $2,828,000 from $2,177,000 in the same period the year prior. Net loss for the nine-month period ended June 30 was $2,489,000, or a per-share loss of 38 cents, as compared with a net loss of $2,230,000, or a per-share loss of 42 cents, for the nine-month period of fiscal 1989.

"With the management transition completed and with the FDA's approval to place the saliva-based AIDS test in clinical trials, we are positioned to achieve more favorable operating results in future periods," Ferro added.

Epitope Inc. is an Oregon corporation utilizing biotechnology to develop diagnostic tests for AIDS, therapeutic drugs for protozoan diseases and, through its agricultural unit, Agritope Inc., agronomically superior new plant varieties.

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#90226p5387 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTVALE, NJ (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Mercedes-Benz of North America, Inc. has announced today changes in headquarters and regional management, effective immediately.

At the company's headquarters, the following promotions and appointments have been announced:

Robert Erzen has been named vice president of Human Resource Management, responsible for all personnel functions, including employee training and development, and organization planning.

Hans Kaemmlein has been promoted to general manager of strategic marketing and product management. He will be responsible for the development, planning and execution of national marketing strategies, as well as product planning.

Kurt von Zumwalt joins MBNA as general manager of public relations. He will oversee product and corporate publicity, public relations

publications, and will coordinate regional public relations activities.

Hal Whiteford has been promoted to general manager of franchise and network development. He will be responsible for dealer organization, dealer financial reporting and the company's network investment program.

John Sageder has been named manager of service and parts marketing. He will be responsible for service and parts development and merchandising, service and parts management training, and technical training.

Andrew Schillizzi has been named manager of the company's new network investment program. His responsibilities include identifying and managing MBNA investments in its dealer network.

In the company's realigned field organization, which consists of four newly created business regions: Northeast, North Central, Southern and Western, operations managers have been named. Reporting to the respective regional vice presidents, they will be responsible for daily dealer activities, including the meeting of sales, service and parts goals. The new operations managers are:

Joseph Heim, northeast region, has been with MBNA since 1981. He was most recently Jacksonville zone manager, and also held the position of assistant zone manager in New York. In addition, Heim served in the company's headquarters as field liaison manager.

Ralph Fisher, north central region, joined MBNA in 1978 as a regional sales training manager. He has held sales manager and distribution manager positions in the company's Jacksonville zone, as well as other field assignments.

Joseph Messner, southern region, joined MBNA in August 1985. He most recently served as zone sales manager in Houston, and prior to that held district manager positions in San Francisco and Cincinnati.

David Westervelt, western region, brings with him 11 years of service with MBNA. Westerverlt was most recently the zone sales manager for the Los Angeles Zone. He has held numerous field positions with MBNA and also served as assistant to MBNA's vice president of sales from 1987-88.

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#90226p5388 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ranger Oil Ltd. (Toronto: RGO) intends to call for the redemption of the outstanding 75 million U.S. dollars 6-1/2 percent Convertible Eurobonds. The redemption date is Sept.

14, 1990 and the bonds are convertible at the option of the bondholder, at any time prior to the close of business on Sept. 7, 1990 into Ranger Oil Ltd. common stock at a conversion price of 6 U.S. dollars. The bonds are redeemable at a price of 103 percent of the face value, plus accrued interest.

If all of the outstanding bonds are converted into common stock, the number of Ranger Oil Ltd. outstanding common shares will increase by 12,500,000 shares to 97,137,896 shares outstanding.

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#90226p5389 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HANOVER, MD (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Crop Genetics International (NASDAQ: CROP) today reported revenues of $126,200 for the first quarter period ended June 30, 1990, compared to $312,100 in the same period last year.

Net loss was $1,644,500 or $.35 per share, compared to a net loss of $1,689,000 or $.36 per share in the first quarter of last year.

On July 24, 1990, the company issued 2,500,000 shares of $.95 Convertible Exchangeable Preferred Stock with an estimated net proceeds to the company of $23,275,000. Proceeds of the offering will be used to finance continued research and development and commercialization of the company's InCide and X-tend crop protection systems. The InCide vaccine systems are designed to provide consistent, season-long protection from targeted insects or fungi, without the need to spray chemical pesticides. The company's X-tend weed control systems are being designed to reduce significantly the use of chemical herbicides, a major cause of environmental hazards including groundwater contamination.

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CROP GENETICS INTERNATIONAL CORP.

Statements of Operations

Three months ended June 30	1990	1989
	(Unaudited)	
Revenues:		
Product sales	$3,300	$25,500
Investment income	122,900	286,600
Total revenues	126,200	312,100
Costs and expenses:		

Field management	129,300	127,500
Research and development	1,233,800	1,421,700
General and administrative	407,600	451,900
Total costs and expenses	1,770,700	2,001,100
Net loss	(1,644,500)	(1,689,000)
Net loss per share	($.35)	($.36)

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#90226p5390 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Whitman Corp. (NYSE: WH) has discontinued negotiations for the sale of Hussmann Corp., and will withdraw it from the market.

After several weeks of negotiations, Whitman management has concluded that the net proceeds of the best offer for Hussmann were not sufficient to justify the sale. Accordingly, every effort will now be made to realize Hussmann's improving potential as a Whitman company. After a weak first half of 1990, orders for Hussman equipment have reached their highest level in history. And its major production facility is scheduled to run three shifts through the rest of the year.

James W. Cozad, chairman and chief executive officer of Whitman, said ''We're disappointed that our negotiations failed to produce a fair price for Hussmann. However, the economic value of the company is clearly greater than the price we were offered, so we have withdrawn it from the market.''

Whitman had earlier announced a major program to transform itself into a more focused food and soft-drink company, discarding its holding company structure for a more cost-effective operating company structure. That program will continue to move forward, with cost reductions and reorganization for greater efficiencies. In connection with these programs, the company is planning to take a special charge against earnings in 1990.

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#90226p5394 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Cimflex Teknowledge Corp. (Cimflex) (NASDAQ-NMS: CMTK) announced its financial results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues were $8.5 million and $15.3 million, respectively, as compared to $10.1 and $16.6 million for the same periods in 1989. For the quarter and year to date, the company had a net loss of $2.3 million ($.10 per share) and $4.4 million ($.19 per share), respectively, vs. a net loss of $227,000 ($.01 per share) and $3.0 million ($.15 per share) in the comparable periods in the previous year.

Cimflex's management cited several reasons for the disappointing results, including additional cost overruns and shipping delays on a key factory automation and integration contract, as well as lower bookings and shipments from its product businesses.

A company spokesman said, "The large automation contract, the reason for a large part of the financial problems during the past year, should be essentially complete during the fourth quarter of 1990. Although the scope of this project was large enough to have an effect on three operating divisions of the company, the technologies developed will be the items that the company will use to leverage itself into the future. The uniqueness and superiority of the technologies developed during the implementation of this project will be the foundation that will help to position the Automated Factories Division (AFD) for long-term viability."

According to the company's spokesman, the completion of this project will result in more management time being devoted to pursuing two of Cimflex's leading corporate objectives. He said, "Our objectives include stabilizing AFD for the long-term and growing the Factory Management and Control Systems businesses which provides systems engineering, application software and systems integration services."

Cimflex Teknowledge headquarters are in Pittsburgh and the company is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the name Cimflex Teknowledge and the symbol CMTK.

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#90226p5400 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORT HURON, MI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert J. Thomson, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Southeastern Michigan Gas Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ: SMGS), stated that the company reported net loss of $983,000 for the second quarter of 1990 ($.13 per share), compared to net income of $110,000 ($.01 per share) for the same period in 1989.

The decrease in second-quarter net income of $1,093,000 is primarily the result of the recording of a $900,000 provision for possible 90/10 refund payments discussed below, and increased operations and maintenance

expenses, depreciation and taxes (other than income taxes) which reflect the higher cost of doing business and maintaining a larger amount of plant.

For the year to date, the company reported net income of $4,773,000 ($.63 per share) compared to $6,688,000 ($.90 per share) for the first half of 1989. In addition to the factors affecting the second-quarter comparison, six-month earnings also decreased because of reduced gas sales by the company's distribution subsidiaries due to 6 percent warmer weather.

In June 1990, the company recorded a provision of $900,000 for the possible refund payments resulting from the 90/10 rule of Southeastern Michigan Gas Company (Southeastern). Although there is no assurance that it can be accomplished, Southeastern is seeking to settle all litigation (discussed below) by refunding $900,000 to its customers. No such provision was made heretofore because of the positive decisions of the Administrative Law Judges (ALJs).

Under the terms of one of its tariffs, Southeastern must refund, prospectively, 90 percent of the gross margin of certain large volume and interruptible sales in excess of certain projected revenues. The Michigan Public Service Commission Staff (the Staff) has claimed that transportation revenues should be included in this calculation. The ALJs in two of Southeastern's Gas Cost Recovery Reconciliation cases concluded that transportation revenues are not subject to this tariff.

However, on May 18, 1990, the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) issued orders in Case Nos. U-8632-R and U-8953-R which did not follow the recommendation of the two ALJs who presided over the cases. The order in Case No. U-8632-R requires Southeastern to refund a principal amount of $859,978 plus interest from Feb. 28, 1988, at 14 percent per annum. This amount was determined by including most natural gas transportation revenue in Southeastern's 90/10 rule. The order in Case No. U-8953-R requires a reopening of the record for the purpose of determining whether a refund under Southeastern's 90/10 rule is required for the period ended Feb. 28, 1989, and the amount thereof. Southeastern has filed data with the MPSC showing that if the Staff's approach is adopted, Southeastern would have a $638,779 principal liability plus interest from Feb. 28, 1989, at 14 percent. Southeastern has filed a motion for reconsideration and rehearing before the MPSC in both cases.

The issue of including transportation revenue in the 90/10 rule has also arisen in the Gas Cost Recovery Reconciliation case for the period ended Feb. 28, 1990. Southeastern has filed affidavits with all parties in that case showing that if the Staff's approach is adopted, Southeastern would have a $542,162 principal liability plus interest from Feb. 28, 1990, at 14 percent.

The recent Michigan Gas Company rate order allowing increased annual

revenue of $3,244,000 had no material effect on the results reported above as it only relates to gas sales after June 29, 1990. The full effect will be felt prospectively.

The following is a summary of the results for the quarter, year to date, and 12 months ended June 30:

SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES, INC.

Quarter Ended June 30	1990	1989
Operating revenue	$41,731,000	$38,993,000
Net income (loss) for common	(983,000)	110,000
Earnings per share(a)	($.13)	$.01
Dividends per share(a)	$.19	$.18
Average common shares outstanding	7,604,000	7,442,000
Year to Date Ended June 30		
Operating revenue	$126,358,000	$127,782,000
Net income for common	4,773,000	6,688,000
Earnings per share(a)	$.63	$.90
Dividends per share(a)	$.38	$.36
Average common shares outstanding	7,584,000	7,419,000
12 Months Ended June 30		
Operating revenue	$225,329,000	$217,677,000
Net income for common	5,717,000	6,941,000
Earnings per share(a)	$.76	$.96
Dividends per share(a)	$.76	$.71
Average common shares outstanding	7,543,000	7,200,000

(a) -- Adjusted to give retroactive effect to 5 percent stock dividends in May 1989, and May 1990, and a 4-for-3 stock split in January 1989.

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#90226p5402 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONROEVILLE, PA. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Community Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CBPA) announced today that it had net income of approximately $420,000 or $.28 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to approximately $156,000 or $.10 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

Kenneth J. Tyson, president of Community Bancorp, stated that the increase in net income was due to an increase in net interest income of $266,775 and an increase in other income of $310,107. The increase in other income was primarily due to an increase of $240,460 in equity income from joint ventures and a $67,345 increase in service charges and fee income. These increases were partially offset by a $92,045 increase in loan loss provision and a $214,093 increase in income tax expense. The net effect

was a $263,957 increase in net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

Tyson said that the June 30, 1990, quarter showed a $92,045 or 104.7 percent increase in the loan loss provision compared to the June 30, 1989, quarter. The increase was due to a $155,000 addition to the loan loss reserve by management in June of 1990 as part of their ongoing evaluation of the association's loan portfolios. This increase in the reserves offset a $62,955 or 71.6 percent decrease in the consumer loan loss provision. This decrease was due to a decline in the volume of automobile loans originated by the association during the quarter ended June 30, 1990, as compared to the quarter ended June 30, 1989. A general market decline in the sale of automobiles was the reason for this decrease.

Tyson also stated that the association's interest rate spread increased to 2.29 percent for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, from 2.18 percent for the preceding quarter ended March 31, 1990. Lower interest rates on deposit accounts was the primary reason for this improvement.

Income for the nine months ended June 30, 1990, was approximately $1,031,000 or $.69 per share compared to approximately $605,000, or $.40 per share for the nine months ended June 30, 1990.

The association operates through 12 offices in the Greater Pittsburgh metropolitan area and at June 30, 1990, the association's capital exceeded all three capital requirements. Community Bancorp's common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "CBPA."

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#90226p5403 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, NC (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Acton Corporation (AMEX: ATN), AMEX $3.75 Cumulative Preferred Stock (ATNPR) -- today announced that operations for the three months ended June 30, 1990 yielded net income of $681,229 or $.11 per primary share ($.08 fully diluted) as compared to a net income of $6,991,424 or $2.50 per primary share ($1.80 fully diluted) for the three months ended June 30, 1989. For the six months ended June 30, 1990 the Company reported net income of $418,248 for a loss per common share of $.16 after consideration of the Company's preferred stock dividend requirements. This compared to income of $21,676,802 or $7.93 per primary share ($5.69 fully diluted) for the first six months of 1989.

The 1989 earnings were primarily attributable to the gain of $11,910,266 from the sale in February of the Company's cable television system located in Beaufort County, South Carolina and the $11,252,223 of gain realized

from the sale of its investment in Land of Lincoln Savings and Loan in conjunction with the acquisition of Land of Lincoln by Household International. There were no major sales of assets in the first half of 1990.

The Company's reported stockholders' equity has declined during the second quarter of 1990 due to a decline of $4,661,381 in the market value of the Company's equity security portfolio. Furthermore, the reported stockholders' equity was reduced by $13,592,679 as required in conjunction with the Hickory White acquisition discussed below. These factors have resulted in the decline of reported stockholders' equity from $65,033,712 at March 31, 1989 to $47,101,546 at June 30, 1990.

As previously announced, on June 21, 1990 Hickory White Company, a new wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, completed the purchase of Hickory Furniture Company's ("HFC") furniture manufacturing assets. The required accounting applicable to purchases of businesses in transactions between entities under common voting control requires that the assets acquired be recorded at their historical cost basis as previously reflected on the books of the seller. Accordingly, the $13,592,679 excess of the fair market value paid for the assets acquired over HFC's historical cost basis in those assets has been reflected in the Company's financial statements as a reduction to its stockholders' equity.

Acton Corporation is primarily engaged in specialized automobile insurance underwriting, furniture manufacturing, real estate development and the operation of a cable television system.

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#90226p5409 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER, (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Presidio Oil Company (AMEX: PRS.A) today reported revenues of $23,604,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, as compared to revenues of $18,352,000 in the second quarter of 1989. The company's continued revenue growth, in spite of a sharp drop in oil prices during the quarter, reflects expanded operations following its acquisition of home petroleum in December 1989.

Presidio reported a net loss of $5,807,000 for the quarter, compared to $3,727,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1989. After preferred stock dividend requirements, the second quarter 1990 loss on a per-share basis was $.20 for the company's Class A common stock and $.23 for its Class B common stock, while in the second quarter of 1989 the loss attributable to common stock was $.38 and $.41 per share, respectively. The company said the higher loss for the 1990 quarter was principally due to lower average

oil prices; increased depletion, depreciation and amortization costs reflecting higher oil and gas production rates; and the current unavailability of deferred taxes.

The company also reported revenues of $54,275,000 for the first six months of 1990, as compared to $37,908,000 for the same period in 1989, and a loss of $9,615,000 in the first half of 1990 vis-a-vis a loss of $6,981,000 during 1989. The per share loss in the first half of 1990 was $.38 per share of Class A common stock and $.43 per share of Class B common stock, vis-a-vis $.73 and $.78 per share, respectively, in 1989.

Presidio's net operating cash flow for the 1990 first half was $18,583,000 representing the company's net loss of $9,615,000 as adjusted for non-cash charges consisting principally of depletion and debt issuance costs. In the first half of 1989, Presidio's comparable net operating cash flow was $8,247,000. During the second quarter of 1990, the company's net operating cash flow was $6,927,000 as compared to $2,904,000 in 1989.

During the quarter ended June 30, 1990, Presidio produced 873,000 barrels of oil and 5.03 billion cubic feet (BCF) of gas, up from 424,000 barrels of oil and 4.18 BCF of gas in the same period of 1989. The average prices received for the second quarter of 1990 were $14.88 per barrel of oil and $1.59 per thousand cubic feet of gas. During the first half of 1990, Presidio produced 1,700,000 barrels of oil and 10.96 BCF of gas.

Presidio also substantially increased its proved reserves of oil and gas during the first half of 1990, despite achieving such increased levels of production. At June 30, 1990, the company's proved reserves were 23.8 million barrels of oil and 242.9 BCF of gas, up from 20.7 million barrels of oil and 241.2 BCF of gas at Dec. 31, 1989. Such growth in reserves was achieved at a finding cost of $2.76 per equivalent barrel.

Presidio Oil Company is an independent oil and gas company engaged in onshore oil and gas exploration, development and production in the continental United States, primarily in Wyoming, North Dakota, Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma and in the transportation of gas through gas gathering systems in Wyoming.

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HAMPTON, NH (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - In the three months ended June 30, 1990, The Henley Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: HENG) achieved net revenues of $488 million compared with net revenues of $360 million in the corresponding period of 1989.

The revenue gain principally reflects the June 1989 acquisition of the 50 percent of Pneumo Abex, a leading manufacturer of aerospace and industrial products, that Henley did not own, as well as higher sales of laboratory products.

Improved operating results were more than offset by higher interest expense and other acquisition-related charges, in addition to a nonrecurring transaction charge. As a result, Henley posted a loss from continuing operations and a net loss of $49 million, or $2.49 per share, in the second quarter of this year.

In the second quarter of 1989, Henley had a loss from continuing operations of $28 million, or $1.40 per share, income from discontinued operations of $10 million, or 50 cents per share, and a net loss of $18 million, or 90 cents per share.

In the first six months of 1990, net revenues were $964 million compared with $629 million in the first half of 1989. The loss from continuing operations and net loss in the first half of this year was $104 million, or $5.28 per share, compared with a loss from continuing operations of $62 million, or $3.11 per share, income from discontinued operations of $12 million, or 60 cents per share, and a net loss of $50 million, or $2.51 per share, in the first six months of 1989.

Henley, with assets of $3.3 billion and net worth of $1.1 billion, actively manages its businesses and other assets to enhance their value to shareholders.

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TULSA, OK (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Tribune/Swab-Fox Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: TSFC) today announced operating results for the second quarter and first six months of 1990. The company stated that it had a loss of $16,000, or less than 1 cent per share of common stock, on revenues of $23,287,000 for the second quarter. This compares to a loss of $261,000 or 1 cent per share, on revenues of $18,606,000, for the second quarter of 1989. For the first six months, the company reported a loss of $539,000, or 2 cents per share on revenues of $44,399,000, compared to a loss of $448,000, or 2 cents per share, on revenues of $36,174,000 for the first half of 1989.

On a comparative basis to 1989, the company's T/SF Communications subsidiary, which is 65 percent owned, had lower earnings for the quarter, primarily due to increased depreciation and amortization associated with

its Marks-Roiland Communications unit, which became a part of T/SF Communications in January, 1990, and continued losses from its Shopper's Guide unit. Offsetting these losses were gains in T/SF Communications' information services, daily newspaper and trade publishing units and reduced interest costs because of debt reductions. For Tribune/Swab-Fox's separate operations, improved results were attributable to increased earnings from higher short term investments and a substantial gain on a sale of real estate, partially offset by significant write-offs on several venture capital investments.

G. Douglas Fox, president and chief executive officer of Tribune/Swab-Fox, stated, "The increased losses at Shopper's Guide represent a continuation of the problems which began in the second half of 1989. Though the new management recently installed in this unit is making progress, the softening of the northeastern economy is slowing recovery. The operations of the other divisions are generally performing satisfactorily and we expect this to continue in the second half of 1990."

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - INTERCO Inc. (NYSE: ISS) today confirmed that it has made the $8.6 million interest payment on its Medium-Term Notes, which interest payment was deferred on July 16, 1990. As previously announced, the applicable grace period provided by the Medium-Term Note indenture would have expired on Aug. 15, 1990.

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#90226p5429 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

EXTON, PA (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Intelligent Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ: INEL), North America's largest network for the sale of microcomputers, today reported net income of $7.5 million for its third quarter, ended July 31, 1990, a 169 percent increase over the $2.8 million reported one year ago.

Revenues for the three-month period ended July 31, 1990, were $360.6 million compared to $170.7 million for the same period last year. Earnings per share for the quarter totaled $0.52 on 14.5 million shares, compared to $0.27 on 10.4 million shares for the third quarter last year, after giving effect to the company's July 1990 2-for-1 stock split.

Revenues for the nine-month period ended July 31, 1990, were $1.1 billion compared to $422.9 million for the same period last year. Net income for

the nine-month period ended July 31, 1990, of $20 million, or $1.41 per share, compared to $5.9 million, or $0.61 per share for the prior nine-month period.

"The company continues to successfully control costs and manage assets," said IE Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Richard D. Sanford.

"Our SG&A as a percent of revenue is now at 4.0 percent for the third quarter, compared to 4.5 percent for the second quarter of this year and 5.5 percent for the third quarter last year."

"Strong earnings and aggressive working capital management generated $87.3 million in cash from operations for the nine-month period," Sanford said.

Third quarter financial statements include an accrual of $10.7 million of additional purchase price related to the company's 1989 acquisition of Connecting Point of America. The maximum contingent purchase payment for this acquisition is $18 million, based on the subsidiary's earnings through March 31, 1991.

Intelligent Electronics has now achieved 27 consecutive quarters of increasing profitability. The company provides a highly cost-efficient, value-add channel for the distribution of micro-technology products and services to its network of nearly 1,000 dealers.

INTELLIGENT ELECTRONICS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(Unaudited; in thousands)

Nine months ended July 31	1989(A)	1990
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income	$5,888	$20,040
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	3,937	5,129
Provision for deferred taxes	--	1,073
Loss (gain) on disposal of fixed assets	(28)	165
Changes in assets and liabilities net of effects from acquisitions:		
Receivables	(2,739)	15,876
Inventories	17,931	22,976
Other current assets	(1,792)	2,747
Accounts payable	(18,907)	18,603
Accrued liabilities	(4,580)	727
Debt issuance costs	(2,065)	(10)
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	(2,355)	87,326
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Marketable securities	9,703	1,390

Acquisition of property and equipment, net of disposals	(1,419)	(2,638)
Payment of CPA contingent purchase price	--	(1,200)
Purchase of net assets of Entre'	(63,436)	--
Purchase of net assets of franchised center, less cash acquired	--	(2,735)
Tax benefit realized from acquired entities	--	525
Other	(174)	(451)
Net cash used for investing activities	(55,326)	(5,109)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Proceeds from shares issued in public offering	38,236	--
Net repayments under bank revolving credit agreement	--	(27,793)
Borrowings under subordinated loan agreements	45,000	--
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	114	552
Proceeds from exercise of warrants	1,223	450
payment of subordinated debt and other borrowings	(23,451)	--
Reduction in capital lease obligations	--	(163)
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities	61,122	(26,954)
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	3,441	55,263
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	8,015	5,269
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD	$11,456	$60,532

(A) Certain amounts have been reclassified to conform to their 1990 presentation.

INTELLIGENT ELECTRONICS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
July 31	1989	1990	1989	1990
Revenues	$ 170,670	$ 360,564	$ 422,934	$1,063,260
Cost of goods sold	153,724	331,478	380,814	976,606
Gross profit	16,946	29,086	42,120	86,654
Operating expenses:				
Selling, general and administrative expenses	9,390	14,591	25,570	45,478
Amortization of intangibles, primarily goodwill	589	1,017	1,473	2,992
Total operating expenses	9,979	15,608	27,043	48,470
Income from				

operations	6,967	13,478	15,077	38,184
Other income (expenses): Investment and other income	159	851	381	1,443
Interest expense	(2,187)	(1,428)	(5,210)	(4,776)
Income before provision for income taxes	4,939	12,901	10,248	34,851
Provision for income taxes	2,164	5,425	4,360	14,811
Net income	$2,775	$7,476	$5,888	$20,040
Earnings per common share and share equivalents: Primary and fully diluted	$0.27	$0.52	$0.61	$1.41
Weighted average number of common shares and share equivalents outstanding (in thousands):	10,373	14,485	9,596	14,206

Note: All share-related data give effect to the company's July 1990 2-for-1 stock split.

INTELLIGENT ELECTRONICS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Balance Sheets
(In thousands, except share-related data)

Assets	Oct. 31, 1989	July 31 1990 (unaudited)
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$5,269	$60,532
Marketable securities	1,390	--
Accounts receivable, net	64,007	50,618
Inventory	135,625	114,266
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	4,280	1,576
Deferred income taxes	5,081	4,008
Total current assets	215,652	231,000
Property and equipment, net	5,873	6,957
Intangible assets, primarily goodwill, net	72,672	85,852
Other assets	1,223	852
Total assets	$295,420	$ 324,661
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity		
Current liabilities:		

Note payable to bank	$9,776	--
Accounts payable	136,478	158,956
Accrued liabilities	14,736	14,993
Accrued contingent purchase price	9,000	10,715
Total current liabilities	169,990	184,664
Long-term debt	18,069	644
Subordinated debt	29,016	29,168
Commitments and contingencies	--	--
Shareholders' equity:		
Common stock $.01 par value per share:		
Authorized 50,000,000 shares,		
issued and outstanding:		
12,016,276 and 13,142,498 shares	120	131
Additional paid-in capital	60,707	72,496
Retained earnings	17,518	37,558
Total shareholders' equity	78,345	110,185
Total liabilities and		
shareholders' equity	$295,420	$324,661

Note: All share-related data give effect to the company's July 1990 2-for-1 stock split.

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SOUTH BEND, IN (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Clark Equipment Co. (NYSE: CKL) announced today that its board of directors approved an amendment to its stockholder rights plan. The amendment reduces from 30 percent to 20 percent the ownership threshold that permits rightsholders to purchase Clark common stock with a value equal to twice the exercise price of the rights. The amendment also contains certain technical adjustments which do not substantially alter the nature of the plan. Details of the amendment are contained in a letter and summary of the rights plan being mailed to all Clark stockholders.

Clark Equipment Co.'s business is the design, manufacture and sale of forklift trucks, construction machinery, transmissions for on-highway vehicles, and axles and transmissions for off-highway equipment.

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RACINE, WI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - A new joint venture in Kiev, Ukraine, U.S.S.R., has been formed between SC Johnson Wax of Racine, Wis., and Ukrbytkhim, a Ukranian Household Production Association. The joint venture

was registered with the U.S.S.R. Minisitry of Finance on Aug. 2.

It is called SC Johnson Kiev Corporation, and SC Johnson Wax holds an 80 percent majority ownership in the operation. The joint venture will be managed by an Executive Committee composed of four Soviets and four Johnson employees.

James M. Shepherd, a Johnson employee, is the general manager of the subsidiary, and said the company has been negotiating the joint venture for more than two years.

Ukrbytkhim currently produces detergents and shampoos, and will continue to do so. In addition, to determine the potential for other lines of SC Johnson Wax products, S.C. Johnson Kiev is conducting market research to learn consumer habits, to define market opportunities and to help establish product priorities.

"We've been importing some of our branded products into the Soviet Union for more than 20 years," Shepherd said.

"Because of this, the Johnson name is well-known and respected, which gives us a solid base to start from.

"We visited 10 sites before we chose Ukrbytkhim in Kiev. We found that it is best suited to our particular needs, and our partners are most compatible with our traditional Johnson philosophy of doing business.

"In fact, one of our first priorities is to train the existing Soviet managers so they can operate the plant in accordance with our philosophies.

"As the joint venture develops, we hope to have Soviet nationals replace our management team -- this is the way we have approached our operations in the 45 other nations in which we have subsidiaries, and we intend to continue that procedure in Kiev."

The Ukraine has the second largest population in the Soviet Union, and is about the size of France. The 15 Soviet republics have the largest territory of any nation in the world, and their combined population is about 280 million.

SC Johnson Wax is among the world's leading manufacturers of chemical specialty products for home, personal care and insect control. It is also a leading supplier of products and services for commercial, industrial and institutional facilities.

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#90226p5439 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Burlington Industries Capital Inc. reported net sales of $589.4 million for the third fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1990 compared with $651.6 million recorded in the same period of fiscal 1989. Net sales for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 were $1,729.5 million compared to $1,835.6 million in the the comparable period of fiscal 1989. The decrease in sales in the June quarter 1990 from the June quarter 1989 was mainly due to lower activity in several of the company's apparel fabric divisions and to a lesser extent the carpet group.

Earnings from operations--defined as net sales minus cost of sales and selling, administrative and general expenses -- were $45.8 million in the third quarter of fiscal 1990 compared to $74.5 million in the same period of fiscal 1989. Burlington's performance in the June quarter 1990 paralleled the March quarter which had earnings from operations of $46.1 million. Earnings from operations in the first nine months of fiscal 1990 were $131.8 million compared to $193.9 million in the same period of fiscal 1989. The reduction in earnings from operations in the June quarter 1990 from the June quarter 1989 was principally attributable to reduced margion contribution caused by lower apparel sales and abnormal equipment start-up expenses on major capital expenditure projects in the apparel fabrics area. Also, the performance of the carpet group and the knit division was lower due to residual costs of restructuring programs in these two businesses. Earnings were also reduced by several other non-cash expenses.

The company incurred a net loss of $20.7 million for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 compared to net earnings of $2.4 million in the same period of fiscal 1989. The net loss for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 of $64.0 million compares with a net loss of $13.2 million in the same period of fiscal 1989. Included in the results of the third quarter of fiscal 1990 was an extraordinary gain of $4.1 million, and in the first nine months of fiscal 1990, an extraordinary gain of $18.0 million, on repurchase of company debt securities.

The consolidated financial statements of the company have been restated for all periods presented to reflect the inclusion of a subsidiary formerly reported as an investment of the company.

In commenting on the results Frank S. Greenberg, chairman and chief executive officer of Burlington Industries, Inc. said: "Burlington's activity in the June quarter 1990 paralleled the March quarter but continued lower from prior year results. The effects of lingering weakness in several retail market channels and ongoing pressures by retailers and apparel manufacturers to reduce inventory levels were

critical factors impacting the company's performance. However, evidence of improving retail and apparel manufacturer sales is gradually emerging, which is also favorably affecting the inventory pipeline. Continuation of this trend should, in time, have a favorable impact on the company's activities."

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PALO ALTO, Calif. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - CF Motor Freight informed its customers that it was implementing a small fuel surcharge to offset the sudden and dramatic increases in oil prices since the recent Middle East crisis.

In a letter to the company's customers, President R.H. Lawrence said the fuel charge of 1 percent for less-than-truckload shipments and 3.47 percent for full truckload shipments would change weekly based on the fluctuating cost of fuel.

"If and when prices decline to July levels, the surcharge will be immediately suspended," Lawrence said, noting that it was the second time in less than nine months that the trucking industry has experienced a quick rise in fuel prices.

"In the first quarter, we elected to absorb the added fuel costs to protect our customers. The magnitude of the current increase, however, will not allow us that option," Lawrence said.

The surcharge, filed in accordance with a recent Interstate Commerce Commission ruling in response to the Middle East crisis, will be effective Aug. 17, pending ICC approval. It is strictly a pass-through cost based entirely on the increased price of fuel due to the Middle East crisis.

Through its freight-flow system of 697 terminals and 22,000 employees, CF Motor Freight serves virtually every business address in the United States and Canada, including Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico. The company is based in Palo Alto.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Air Line Pilots Association issued the following statement Tuesday in response to actions by the Bankruptcy

Court in New York to give Eastern Airlines relief from major provisions of its pilot labor contract under the guise of Section 1113(e) of the Bankruptcy Code:

Eastern pilots are disappointed but not surprised by the court's action. The judge's decision gave Eastern management everything it asked for, including relief on wages, working conditions and benefits, plus a preliminary injunction that frees Eastern from having to process outstanding grievances and pension disputes. The court's action is without legal precedent or factual basis, and undermines the legal protections mandated by the Railway Labor Act and ERISA.

We do not understand why the court felt compelled to grant Eastern's latest Section 1113 petition. The company claimed in court that it already has the right to impose its own terms now that the 30-day cooling off period has expired and ALPA's "bad faith bargaining" lawsuit against the company has been stayed. Eastern presumably did not want to impose those same terms itself because that would cause a backlash among the strikebreaking pilots it utilized after the machinist strike. By having the court do its own dirty work, the company can shift the blame for an action that is guaranteed to upset the working pilots.

The company argued that relief from the ALPA contract was necessary to ensure the continuation of business and avoid irreparable harm. If that is indeed the case, then Eastern's financial condition and future prospects are a lot dimmer than Mr. Shugrue would have us believe in his television commercials. This would not be the first time the company has spoken out of both sides of its mouth. The question is, to what extent can we believe either story now?

It is particularly ironic that Eastern should go begging to the court for financial relief from the pilot contract. The Eastern pilots have made it known for many months now that appropriate financial concessions are not a problem and are tentatively agreed upon, so long as the company addresses the issue of jobs for the non-working pilots. Ever since his appointment as trustee, Martin Shugrue has followed the Lorenzo script line for line. Had Mr. Shugrue broken away from the Lorenzo approach and negotiated in good faith instead, Eastern already could have been operating for several months with the financial relief it claims it needs so desperately.

The Eastern pilot Master Executive Council met later Tuesday in Miami to assess the impact of the court action and determine what actions it will take.

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ORLANDO, FL (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Major Realty Corporation (NASDAQ: MAJR) today reported revenues of $987,000 and a net loss of $2,845,000, or ($0.41) per share for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the comparable period of last year were $6,298,000 and net income of $2,680,000, or $0.37 per share.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported revenues of $564,000 and a net loss of $1,549,000 or ($0.22) per share as compared to revenues of $3,207,000 and a net loss of $1,904,000 or ($0.26) per share for the comparable period of the prior year.

The company reported gains on real estate sales of $2.5 million and a net gain from real estate sales by The Major-Pru Development Joint Venture of $4.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 1989. No similar real estate transactions were reported for the six months ended June 30, 1990. The losses incurred during the six months ended June 30, 1990, primarily represented anticipated startup costs following the merger of the company on Oct. 12, 1989, and the installation of new management.

James M. Adams III, chairman and chief executive officer, announced that the company has reached an agreement in principle to engage Eastdil Realty Inc. and Wertheim Schroder & Co., Incorporated, two prestigious New York investment banking firms specializing in real estate and international finance, to assist the company in accomplishing certain financial objectives required to maximize value of the company's assets for its shareholders.

MAJOR REALTY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated statements of operations
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share data)

Period	Six months		Three months	
ended	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
REVENUES:				
Sales of real estate	$ ---	$ 4,250	$ ---	$ 2,150
Lease income	716	1,852	381	956
Interest income	274	113	176	41
Other income	(3)	83	7	60
Total revenues	987	6,298	564	3,207
COSTS AND EXPENSES:				
Cost of real estate sold:				
Improved and unimproved land	---	1,672	---	1,491
Commissions & other exp.	---	43	---	21
Selling, general and admin.	2,253	3,624	1,420	2,060
Depreciation	231	733	110	394
Interest cost	1,854	1,568	1,282	786

Interest capitalized	(872)	---	(872)	---
Total costs and expenses	3,466	7,640	1,940	4,752
PROFIT REALIZED ON LAND CONTRIBUTION TO REAL ESTATE VENTURES	---	5,830	---	---
SHARE IN LOSSES OF REAL ESTATE VENTURES	(366)	(1,806)	(173)	(390)
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	(2,845)	2,682	(1,549)	(1,935)
PROVISION (CREDIT) FOR INCOME TAXES	---	2	---	(31)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	($2,845)	$2,680	($1,549)	($1,904)
EARNINGS (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE	($0.41)	$0.37	($0.22)	($0.26)
WEIGHTED AVG. NO. OF SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,893	7,334	6,893	7,335

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - First Executive Corp. (NASDAQ: FEXC), a life insurance holding company, today reported net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, of $75.9 million, or $.42 per share. The results include a net realized loss on investments of $75.0 million. For the six months ended June 30, 1989, the company reported net income of $6.9 million or a per share loss of $.07, including a $150 million loss on sale subsidiary (including tax expense of $38 million) relating to the then proposed sale of Executive Life Insurance Company of New York (Executive Life- NY), and the cumulative positive effect of a change in method of accounting for income taxes of $55.8 million.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, net income was $30.5 million or $.10 per share. The results include a net realized loss on investments of $74.9 million. For the three months ended June 30, 1989, the company reported net income of $51.0 million or $.45 per share.

The weighted average number of common shares used in the earnings per share calculation does not include Series G Preferred shares in 1990 as they were anti-dulitive. Series H Preference shares are not considered common stock equivalents.

Fred Carr, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Our earnings confirm the company's fundamental financial strength. Furthermore, since June 30 our liquidity position has strengthened because we have continued to build our cash and government securities position."

Alan Snyder, president and chief operating officer, commented, "In recent meetings, our agents have expressed their commitment to sell our products. We are encouraged that clients continue to purchase substantial amounts of insurance from us this year although less than in 1989." He added, "Surrenders of existing policies declined in the second quarter and these trends continue downward in the third quarter."

At June 30, 1990, First Executive Corp. reported assets of approximately $16.5 billion, shareholders' equity of over $963 million and total capitalization (including redeemable preferred stock and parent corporate debt) of over $1.3 billion. Life insurance in force is approximately $56.1 billion.

FIRST EXECUTIVE CORP.
Unaudited Financial Summary
(Thousands of dollars, except per share amounts)

	Six months ended June 30		Three months ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Premiums and other considerations	$167,903	$116,093	$95,358	$60,203
Net investment income	902,319	1,010,520	420,220	509,074
Realized gains (losses) on investments (a)	(75,044)	(108,350)	(74,869)	839
Total revenues	$995,178	$1,018,263	$440,709	$570,116
Earnings (losses): Income before income taxes	$110,503	$38,759	$44,813	$75,928
Income taxes	34,583	87,699	14,298	24,915
Income (loss)	75,920	(48,940)	30,515	51,013
Cumulative effect to Jan. 1, 1989, of change in method of accounting for income taxes	---	55,829	---	---
Net income	$75,920	6,889	30,515	51,013
Earnings (losses) per share				
Income (loss)	$.42	($.64)	$.10	$.45
Cumulative effect to Jan. 1, 1989 of change in method of accounting for income taxes	---	.57	---	---
Net income (loss)	$.42	($.07)	$.10	$.45
Average number of				

shares	84,844	98,333	84,653	98,340

(a) To conform to the current year's classification the $112 million pretax loss for the three and six months ended June 30, 1989 relating to the proposed sale of Executive Life-NY was reclassified to realized losses on investments since the sale agreement was terminated.

FIRST EXECUTIVE CORPORATION
Other Unaudited Company Statistics
(Thousands of dollars)

	June 30 1990	December 31 1989
Insurance in force	$56,120,000	$59,700,000
Total assets	16,473,000	19,256,000
Debt, excluding real estate borrowings	275,000	325,000
Shareholders' equity	964,000	1,009,000
Total capitalization, including redeemable preferred stock and debt	1,384,000	1,484,000

	Six months ended June 30		Three months ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Premiums and deposits, net of reinsurance ceded				
Life				
First year	$31,866	$61,018	$13,253	$30,790
Single/Additional	10,179	22,547	1,076	10,492
Renewal	219,176	225,327	108,185	113,027
Total life premiums and deposits	261,221	308,892	122,514	154,309
Annuities	93,194	77,364	11,153	29,830
Guaranteed investment contracts	62,181	79,434	3,814	46,264
Total premiums and deposits	$416,596	$465,690	$137,481	$230,403

The company's common stock (NASDAQ: FEXC), warrants to purchase common stock -- expiration on 11-15-90 (NASDAQ: FEXCW), Series E preferred stock (NASDAQ: FEXCP), Series F preferred stock (NASDAQ: FEXCO), Series G cumulative convertible preferred stock (NASDAQ: FEXCM) and Series H cumulative convertible preferred stock (NASDAQ: FEXCN) are traded in the over-the-counter market. The Series E preferred stock is also listed on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange under the symbol FEX Pr A.

CONTACT: William L. Sanders, VP, CFO and Treasurer, 213-312-2224, or Merle A. Horst, VP, 213-312-2115, both for First Executive Corp.

-30- 6411

#90226p5454 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, Fla. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - APL Corporation (PSE) today reported results for the nine months and quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Consolidated net sales for the nine months amounted to $96.2 million compared to $94.3 million in the prior year's comparable nine month period. The net loss for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 amounted to $29,199,000, or $7.83 per share, compared to a net loss of $29,453,000, or $7.90 per share, in the comparable period of 1989. Results for both periods reflect the reclassification of Fischbach Corporation and the company's aluminum doors and windows segment as discontinued operations. Discontinued operations in the previous year also included the results of the company's tissue paper products segment which was sold in April, 1989. Net loss in the current period includes a loss from discontinued operations amounting to $16,335,000, or $4.38 per share, including a provision of $10 million for losses on the disposal of the company's aluminum doors and windows segment. The prior year's comparable period's results include a loss from discontinued operations of $20,578,000, or $5.52 per share.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, the company's net sales amounted to $32.4 million compared to $33.2 million in the prior year's comparable quarter. Net loss for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 was $11,480,000, or $3.08 per share, compared to a net loss of $12,048,000, or $3.23 per share in the prior year's comparable quarter. The current quarter's results include a loss from discontinued operations of $5,584,000, or $1.50 per share; the prior year's quarter results included a loss from discontinued operations of $10,275,000, or $2.76 per share.

CONTACT: Renee Mottram, senior vice president of APL Corporation, 305-866-7771

-30- 1983

#90226p5455 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Wilson Brothers (PSE) announced today results of operations for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, net sales were $3.6 million compared to $1.8 million in the same quarter of the prior year. Results for 1990 include those of Northern Engineering Corporation, which was acquired at the end of 1989. The company reported a net loss of $206,000 or $.06 per share in the current year's quarter vs. net earnings of $9,000 (nil per share) in the prior year's comparable quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net sales were $7.0 million compared to $3.1 million in the same period of the prior year. The company had a net loss of $300,000 or $.09 per share in the current six month period compared to a net loss of $274,000 or $.08 per share in the same period of the prior year.

WILSON BROTHERS AND SUBSIDIARIES
(Unaudited)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30,		SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
(In thousands except per share amounts)				
Net sales	$ 3,643	1,787	7,001	3,068
Net earnings (loss)	$ (206)	9	(300)	(274)
Earnings (loss) per share	$ (.06)	--	(.09)	(.08)
Average number of common shares outstanding during the period	3,321	3,321	3,321	3,321

CONTACT: Renee Mottram, senior vice president of Wilson Brothers, 305-866-7771

-30- 1849

#90226p5459 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Beard Oil Co. (AMEX: BOC) today reported a 36 percent increase in revenues for the second quarter of 1990, to $8.90 million vs. revenues of $6.56 million for the same period of 1989. Revenues for the first six months of 1990 reflect a 29 percent increase to $16.54 million from $12.85 million the prior year.

The current quarter produced a net loss of $3.26 million, or 56 cents per share, compared to net earnings of $523,000, or nine cents per share, for the same period last year. The six months' loss for 1990 totaled $5.15 million vs. net earnings of $1.02 million for the same period in 1989. The loss per share for the six months was 88 cents vs. net earnings of 18 cents last year. Herb Mee Jr., president, stated, "Beard Oil has felt for some time that the company should focus most of its efforts on the development of domestic oil reserves at a time when most U.S. oil companies, and the independent segment in particular, have been concentrating their attention on developing natural gas reserves. Accordingly, we sold $60 million of Shared Appreciation Debentures last October with the objective of putting $45 to $50 million into the acquisition and development of oil reserves, with particular emphasis on waterflood operations. We are already seeing positive results from this continuing effort. The company's oil production in June 1990 averaged 2,833 barrels per day vs. a recent low of 2,127 barrels per day in July

1989. Second quarter 1990 oil production averaged 2,706 barrels per day compared to 2,342 barrels per day in the year-earlier quarter. Unfortunately, we received only $16.12 per barrel average in the 1990 second quarter vs. $18.74 a year ago. The current higher oil prices resulting from the situation in the Middle East will have a significant impact on Beard Oil's future earnings."

Second quarter and year-to-date results were heavily impacted by the negative interest spread resulting from the Shared Appreciation Debenture financing. Mee reiterated that most of the Debenture proceeds are being invested in secondary recovery operations, which typically involve sizable front-end investment followed by a gradual buildup of income. "The return on most of these projects will not be realized until 1991 or later. We anticipate that cash flow will increase and that the profit picture will improve as the projects already underway or targeted for future installation become operational."

Also contributing to the second quarter loss was an increase of $917,000 in general and administrative expenses, almost entirely attributable to the rapid expansion of the company's subsidiary activities in oilfield services and carbon dioxide operations. Both of these activities are expected to begin contributing to corporate profits before the end of 1990.

Beard Oil continues to recognize deferred contingent interest on its Shared Appreciation Debentures based upon the amount of Shared Appreciation which it projects will have occurred on June 30, 1994. As a result, $475,000 of deferred contingent interest expense was recognized in the 1990 second quarter. The company has recorded interest expense since inception of the Debentures at a bond equivalent yield of 14.9 percent. The company will recognize an average of $475,000 per quarter in deferred contingent interest for the remainder of the year.

Beard Oil Co. is a diversified natural resource development company headquartered in Oklahoma City. Its principal business is oil and gas exploration and production, with an emphasis on secondary recovery operations. The company also is involved in carbon dioxide and iodine production. Beard Oil Co.'s common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol BOC.

CONTACT: Herb Mee Jr. of Beard Oil Co., 405-842-2333; or Cheryl Hudak of Cheryl Mayfield-Hudak Communications, 405-848-3520 for Beard Oil Co.

-30- 4161

#90226p5460 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Birdsboro Corporation (OTC) announced today results of operations for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, net sales were $243,000 compared to $475,000 in the same quarter of the prior year. The company reported a net loss of $1,187,000 ($.16 per share) in the current year's quarter, vs. a net loss of $1,170,000 ($.16 per share) in the prior year's comparable quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net sales were $609,000 compared to $738,000 in the same period of the prior year. The company had a net loss of $2,318,000 ($.32 per share) for the current year-to-date, compared to a net loss of $2,366,000 ($.33 per share) in the same period of the prior year.

BIRDSBORO CORPORATION
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
	(In thousands, except per share amounts)			
Net sales	$ 243	475	609	738
Net loss	$(1,187)	(1,170)	(2,318)	(2,366)
Loss per share (based on 7,198,466 average shares outstanding during the periods)	$(.16)	(.16)	(.32)	(.33)

CONTACT: Renee Mottram, senior vice president of Birdsboro Corporation, 305-866-7771

-30- 1669
#90226p5461 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Pennsylvania Engineering Corporation (PSE) announced today results of operations for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, net sales were $7 million compared to $5.9 million in the same quarter of the prior year. The company reported a net loss of $3.7 million ($.19 per share) in the current year's quarter, vs. a net loss of $4.0 million ($.21 per share) in the prior year's comparable quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net sales were $13.9 million compared to $12.1 million in the same period of the prior year. The company had a net loss of $7.1 million ($.36 per share) for the current year-to-date, compared to a net loss of $7.9 million ($.41 per share) in the same period of the prior year.

PENNSYLVANIA ENGINEERING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

	(Unaudited)			
	THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30,		SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
	(In thousands except per share amounts)			
Net sales	$ 6,952	5,922	13,945	12,090
Net loss	$(3,733)	(4,009)	(7,079)	(7,948)
Loss per share	$ (.19)	(.21)	(.36)	(.41)
Average number of common shares outstanding during the period	19,443	19,443	19,443	19,443

CONTACT: Renee Mottram, senior vice president of Pennsylvania Engineering Corporation, 305-866-7771

-30- 1852

#90226p5464 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE, (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Westmark International Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: WMRK) today announced that it has completed the repurchase of 500,000 shares of its common stock under the repurchase program announced on July 26.

The company also stated that its board of directors has authorized management to repurchase a further 500,000 shares of its common stock from time to time in the open market, subject to certain conditions and limitations.

Westmark, with headquarters in Seattle, is a worldwide developer, manufacturer and distributor of diagnostic ultrasound systems and electronic patient monitoring and clinical information systems through its subsidiaries: Advanced Technology Laboratories Inc. in Bothell, Wash., and SpaceLabs Inc. in Redmond, Wash.

Westmark's common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol WMRK.

CONTACT: Anne Marie Bugge of Westmark International Inc., 206-682-6800

-30- 1122

#90226p5468 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL PASO, Texas (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Tony Lama Co., Inc. (NASDAQ: TLAM) today announced the results of operations for the three-month and six-month periods ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales for the three-month period ended June 30, 1990, were $16,035,000

compared with $16,080,000 for the comparable period of 1989. Net loss for the second quarter of 1990 was $(901,000), or $(.47) per share, compared to a net loss of $(130,000), or $(.07) per share, for the comparable period of 1989. For the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, net loss was $(1,977,000) or $(1.02) per share, on net sales of $29,211,000 compared to a net loss of $(191,000) or $(.10) per share, on net sales of $34,043,000 for the same period last year.

The loss for the second quarter of 1990 as compared to the same period in 1989 primarily resulted from a decrease in gross margins because of increased product costs due to workers' compensation insurance and material costs and an increase in selling expenses in advertising, salaries and operating eight additional retail stores. Partially offsetting these expense increases was a decrease of 13 percent in general and administrative expenses resulting from substantial payroll cuts.

The loss for the six month period ending June 30, 1990 as compared to the same period in 1989 was primarily due to a 14 percent decrease in sales, a decrease in gross margins because of costs increases of workers' compensation insurance and material costs and an increase in selling expenses in advertising, salaries and operating eight additional retail stores. Partially offsetting these expense increases was a decrease of 7 percent in general and administrative expenses.

CONTACT: Johnny C. Walker, CEO of Tony Lama Co. Inc., 915-778-8311

-30- 1955

#90226p5474 08/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, Calif. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Gradco Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: GRCO) reported results for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the first quarter totaled $20,292,000 compared to $24,591,000 in the same period of the prior year. Net earnings for the quarter were $15,517,000 or $2.02 per share, compared to $223,000 or $.04 per share in the prior year.

Horst Sieben, executive vice president and chief financial officer, stated "Net earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, reflect the previously announced $17.8 million net-after-tax gain from the sale of the shares of the company's Japanese subsidiary and operating losses due to the decline in sales of certain copier products to Xerox Corp. and expenses for development, field test and marketing of the new laser printer paper handling products which are currently being released."

Gradco is the world's leading independent supplier of sorters, sheet feeders and other paper handling devices for the office automation market.

GRADCO SYSTEMS INC.
Three months ended

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Summary of Operations:		
Revenues	$20,292,000	$24,591,000
Earnings before income taxes and minority interest	17,165,000	989,000
Income tax expense	1,515,000	737,000
Minority interest	133,000	29,000
Net earnings	$15,517,000	$223,000
Net earnings per common share	$2.02	$.04
Weighted average shares outstanding	7,576,000	6,490,000

CONTACT: Horst O. Sieben, Executive VP & CFO of Gradco Systems, 714-770-1223

-30- 2044

#90226u0056 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	3	1	0	0	Davis cf	4	0	1	1
Litton 2b	5	1	3	0	Benzinger 1b	4	0	0	0
Clark 1b	4	1	1	1	Larkin ss	4	0	0	0
Mitchell lf	2	1	1	1	Sabo 3b	3	1	1	0
Williams 3b	3	1	1	3	Braggs lf	3	1	1	0
Carter c	4	0	0	0	Dibble p	0	0	0	0
Thompsn 2b	1	0	0	0	Griffey ph	1	0	0	0
Kingery rf	3	0	0	0	Myers p	0	0	0	0
Uribe ss	3	0	1	0	O'Neill rf	2	2	1	1
Downs p	0	0	0	0	Duncan 2b	3	1	2	2
Laga ph	1	0	0	0	Oliver c	3	1	1	2
Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0	Jackson p	0	0	0	0
Wilson p	1	0	0	0	Scudder p	1	0	0	0
Thurmond p	0	0	0	0	Layana p	0	0	0	0
Riles ss	1	0	0	0	Hatcher lf	1	0	0	0
Bathe ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	32	5	7	5	Totals	29	6	7	6

San Francisco 400 000 100- 5
Cincinnati 010 500 00x- 6

DP-San Francisco 1, Cincinnati 1. LOB-San Francisco 6, Cincinnati 2. 2B-Clark, O'Neill, Oliver. HR-Williams (22). SB-Davis (13). S-Wilson,

Scudder.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Wilson (L 8-4)	3 1-3	6	6	6	2	3
Thurmond	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Downs	2	0	0	0	0	1
Bedrosian	1	0	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati						
Scudder	4	5	4	4	3	3
Layana (W 5-0)	2 1-3	1	1	1	1	2
Dibble	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	3
Myers (S 24)	1	0	0	0	0	2

Scudder pitched to 2 batters in the 5th.

HBP-by Layana (Mitchell). WP- Wilson. T-2:45. A-34,868.

Umpires-Home, Marsh; 1b, Wendelstedt; 2b, West; 3b, Barnes.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Harris 3b	5	0	2	0	LSmith lf	5	2	3	1
Gibson cf	4	0	0	0	Treadway 2b	5	1	2	1
Crews p	0	0	0	0	Gant cf	4	1	2	0
Searage p	0	0	0	0	Presley 3b	3	0	0	1
Javier ph	0	1	0	0	Lemke 3b	0	0	0	0
Daniels lf	2	2	1	0	Blauser ss	3	1	1	1
Murray 1b	5	0	0	0	Justice 1b	4	1	1	3
Brooks rf	5	1	4	3	Vatcher rf	3	1	0	0
Scioscia c	4	0	0	0	Bell 1b	0	0	0	0
Dempsey ph	1	0	0	0	Olson c	4	1	3	1
Samuel 2b	3	0	2	0	Smoltz p	3	1	1	1
Griffin ss	4	0	0	0	Gregg ph	1	0	0	0
Valenzuela p	1	0	0	0	Parrett p	0	0	0	0
Gonzalez ph	1	0	0	0	Mercker p	0	0	0	0
Walsh p	0	0	0	0					
Gwynn cf	2	1	1	1					
Totals	37	5	10	4	Totals	35	9	13	9

Los Angeles	000	001	013- 5
Atlanta	400	311	00x- 9

E-Bell. DP-Atlanta 1. LOB-Los Angeles 10, Atlanta 6. 2B-Gant, Smoltz, LSmith 2, Blauser, Brooks. 3B-Olson. HR-Justice (15), Brooks (15), Gwynn (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Valenzuela (L 9-10)	4	10	7	7	2	4
Walsh	2	3	2	2	2	3
Crews	1	0	0	0	0	1
Searage	1	0	0	0	0	0
Atlanta						
Smoltz (W 9-8)	7	6	1	1	3	3
Parrett	1 2-3	4	4	3	2	1
Mercker	1-3	0	0	0	0	1

T-2:49. A-11,945.

Umpires-Home, Hallion; 1b, DeMuth; 2b, Gregg; 3b, Crawford.

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Yelding cf	5	0	1	0	Dascenzo cf	4	2	3	0
Doran 2b	4	0	0	0	Sandberg 2b	4	0	1	1
Biggio c	5	0	2	0	Grace 1b	3	0	0	1
Caminiti 3b	5	0	1	0	Dawson rf	4	0	1	0
Ramirez ss	4	1	1	0	Clark lf	4	0	0	0
Davidson rf	4	2	2	0	Salazar 3b	3	0	1	0
Stubbs 1b	3	3	2	4	Dunston ss	4	0	1	0
Candaele lf	4	1	2	1	Girardi c	4	0	2	0
Portugal p	3	0	1	2	Dickson p	1	0	0	0
					Varsho ph	1	0	0	0
					Pico p	0	0	0	0
					JSmith ph	1	0	0	0
					Lancaster p	0	0	0	0
					Wynne ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	37	7	12	7	Totals	34	2	9	2

Houston	030 103 000- 7
Chicago	100 000 100- 2

E-Dunston. DP-Houston 1, Chicago 1. LOB-Houston 6, Chicago 8. 2B-Biggio, Dunston, Candaele, Girardi. 3B-Dascenzo. HR-Stubbs 2 (16). SB-Dascenzo (7). S-Portugal. SF-Grace.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Portugal (W 6-9)	9	9	2	2	2	3

Chicago						
Dickson (L 0-2)	5	6	4	3	1	1
Pico	2	4	3	3	1	0
Lancaster	2	2	0	0	0	2

T-2:30. A-34,087.

Umpires-Home, Rippley; 1b, Darling; 2b, Froemming; 3b, Pulli.

-30- 5332

#90226u0129 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - U-S troops are still arriving in Saudi Arabia as the stand-off with Iraq continues. The State Department estimates that there are 140-thousand Iraqi troops in Kuwait... while observers have estimated the United States is deploying 50-thousand troops to Saudi Arabia. One sergeant told reporters in Saudi Arabia that American troops have been told they can expect to be there ''four to six months.''

California is running up quite a tab in fighting wildfires that have charred more than 200-thousand acres. Governor George Deukmejian estimates the state may spend more than 40-Million dollars battling the mostly lightning-sparked blazes that have damaged or destroyed 127 buildings across the states.

A strike turned violent in the Dominican Republic. Witnesses say police arrested hundreds of demonstrators Monday, the first day of a 48-hour work stoppage called to protest government economic measures. Witnesses say one person was fatally shot by soldiers and three other protesters were injured.

Astronomers say the Hubble Space Telescope project is very much alive, despite defects in the instrument's focus. Elated astronomers released pictures Monday of a star cluster taken by the observatory. The costly telescope was designed to be the most powerful instrument of its kind.

-30- 1472

#90226u0130 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - Pakistan on Monday accused Indian forces of firing heavy artillery and mortars across the border into a populated area of the Kashmir region. India denied any exchange took place, and it was NOT immediately clear if the shelling caused any casualties. Both sides claim sovereignty over Kashmir.

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Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel arrived in Nicaragua Monday, saying he

hoped to develop ties as- as he put it- ''two countries in liberty.'' Officials from both nations say Havel and Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro would focus on trade issues in the discussions.

Authorities in San Diego say a father may face charges in the apparent AIDS-related death of his five-year-old son. Police say the child told them that his father... who tested positive for the H-I-V virus... sodomized him. Prosecutors are waiting for autopsy results before proceeding with the case.

Police in Fremont, California, say a lot of people called to say they'd heard a ''big boom'' following a light but noisy earthquake Monday afternoon. NO damage or injuries were reported in the quake that registered two-point-six on the Richter scale.

-30- 1319
#90226u0136 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 14) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Minnesota at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Milwaukee at Detroit, 8:35 p.m.
Texas at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
Boston at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.
Baltimore at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.
New York at California, 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Houston at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Los Angeles at New York, 2, 5:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Pittsburgh, 2, 5:40 p.m.
San Francisco at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Cincinnati at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Montreal at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.

Edmonton, Alberta - World Championships

BASKETBALL

Argentina - Men's World Championships

BOXING

Fort Huachuca, Ariz. - U.S. Junior Championships.

IBF Bantamweight Title

Saratoga Springs, N.Y. - c-Orlando Canizales vs. Eddie Rangel, 12.

ROLLER SKATING

Pensacola, Fla. - U.S. Indoor Speed Championships

SHOOTING

Moscow - World Championships

TENNIS

Indianapolis - Men's $1 million U.S. Men's Hardcourt Championships
Manhattan Beach, Calif. - Women's $350,000 Virginia Slims of Los Angeles
New Haven, Conn. - Men's $1 million Volvo International

-30- 1267

#90226u0194 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA (AUG. 14) UPI - The U.S. basketball team may have felt Monday night as though they were starring in one of those Friday the 13th sequels.

Like Jason in the movies, Argentina wouldn't be put to rest, and the U.S. was fortunate to escape with a 104-100 victory in the quarterfinals of the World Basketball Championships.

''I've never been in a game like that,'' guard Kenny Anderson said. ''I always heard soccer was the No. 1 sport in Argentina, but not tonight. Those guys are crazy.''

Those guys were the Argentina fans, who turned the game into one constant musical number with continuous singing and drum-playing, and the Argentina players, who staged an emotional last-ditch rally that had the U.S. team gasping for its breath in the final minutes.

Anderson, who led the U.S. with 32 points, clinched the victory with 50 seconds left when he hit a driving layup and added a free throw for a 104-96 lead that made Argentina's two final baskets meaningless.

The U.S. seemed in control for much of the game. It rode a 12-0 run midway through the first half to break a 32-32 tie, emerging with a 58-42 halftime lead. The U.S. pushed its lead to 22 points twice in the second half, and it still was leading by 16 with seven minutes left.

But poor shot selection combined with a barrage of Argentina three-pointers left the U.S. clinging by its nails. A three-point bomb by

Argentina's Marcelo Milanesio with 1:21 left brought Argentina within 101-96 and caused sheer lunacy in venerable Luna Park.

''It was crazy, it was incredible,'' U.S. forward Mark Randall said. ''We weren't as smart as we should have been, and they hit some incredible shots, almost out of bounds. We're just glad to get out with a win.''

However harried, the victory got the U.S. team off to a good start in the three-game quarterfinal round-robin. The United States plays Australia on Tuesday.

Alonzo Mourning scored 17 points, Doug Smith added 16 and Lee Mayberry and Billy Owens each had 10 for the U.S. Hector Campana led Argentina with 33 points.

Smith, who scored 12 first-half points, broke a 32-32 tie with 8:50 left in the first half to ignite the 12-0 run that gave the U.S. team the lead for good. Mayberry and Anderson each hit a three-point shot in the run.

Argentina scored five straight points, but the U.S. team came back with nine in a row to open its biggest first-half lead at 53-37.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - Police in New York say singer Curtis Mayfield and a 12-year-old were among the seven people injured when an outdoor stage collapsed at a Brooklyn high school. Police say Mayfield was on stage performing when the stage gave way, apparently due to strong winds. NONE of the injuries are believed to be life-threatening.

Bernard Kliban- the man behind the cartoons that sparked a cat mania among Americans- is dead at 55. Kliban died Sunday... 12 hours after undergoing heart surgery at the University of California at San Francisco Hospital. The one-time advertising artist's drawings were published in a 1975 book titled ''The Cat,'' sparking coffee cups, calendars and T-shirts with his cats on them.

Rock star Don Henley, singers Bonnie Raitt, Arlo Guthrie and John Hall were among those attending a ''Victory Picnic'' in Concord, Massachusetts, Monday. The group announced the purchase of a 25-acre tract of land in the forest that inspired 19th-century naturalist Henry David Thoreau. The group is trying to save the historic Walden Woods from developers.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	62	52	.544	-	36-18	26-34	6-4	L-1
Toronto	61	55	.526	2	32-29	29-26	5-5	W-1
Baltimore	56	58	.491	6	26-26	30-32	4-6	W-2
Cleveland	54	61	.470	8 1/2	30-28	24-33	6-4	L-1
Detroit	54	63	.462	9 1/2	26-30	28-33	3-7	W-1
Milwaukee	48	65	.425	13 1/2	24-32	24-33	3-7	L-1
New York	46	68	.404	16	23-29	23-39	5-5	L-4
West								
Oakland	74	42	.638	-	39-21	35-21	8-2	W-5
Chicago	66	46	.589	6	33-25	33-21	5-5	L-2
Texas	59	56	.513	14 1/2	31-24	28-32	4-6	L-1
Seattle	58	58	.500	16	30-33	28-25	3-7	L-3
Kansas City	56	59	.487	17 1/2	32-27	24-32	8-2	W-2
California	56	60	.483	18	30-30	26-30	5-5	W-1
Minnesota	54	61	.470	19 1/2	29-30	25-31	4-6	W-1

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(AUG. 14) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
New York	64	47	.577	-	38-20	26-27	4-6	L-2
Pittsburgh	64	48	.571	1/2	31-22	33-26	4-6	L-5
Montreal	60	54	.526	5 1/2	33-23	27-31	5-5	W-5
Chicago	55	60	.478	11	28-30	27-30	7-3	L-1
St. Louis	54	61	.470	12	27-32	27-29	7-3	W-4
Philadel.	52	60	.464	12 1/2	26-28	26-32	2-8	L-5
West								
Cincinnati	66	47	.584	-	35-20	31-27	5-5	W-2
San Fran.	60	54	.526	6 1/2	30-24	30-30	3-7	L-2
Los Angeles	58	55	.513	8	32-24	26-31	6-4	L-1
San Diego	54	59	.478	12	28-30	26-29	8-2	W-4
Houston	50	65	.435	17	35-25	15-40	6-4	W-1
Atlanta	43	70	.381	23	25-34	18-36	3-7	W-1

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - Exiled Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al Ahmad al Sabah arrived in the nation's capital Tuesday to thank President Bush for spearheading efforts to challenge Iraqi aggression in

the Middle East.

Al Sabah, who hoped to meet with Bush at the White House later in the day, said he traveled to the United States on behalf of deposed Kuwaiti Emir Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah, who is in exile in Saudi Arabia along with other Kuwaiti leaders.

The foreign minister, who also is the deputy prime minister, said the message to Bush expressed ''my country's appreciation and thanks'' for all the ''positive support from the American people and ... the American president to eliminate all the invasion and occupation we have had over our territory by Iraq.''

Al Sabah, who flew from Saudi Arabia to Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington, was scheduled to meet with Secretary of State James Baker and other top Bush administration officials Tuesday.

His tour also takes him to New York Wednesday for a meeting with U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to the capitals of the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, which has supported economic sanctions against Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

Including the United States, the other permanent Security Council nations are Britain, the Soviet Union, France and China.

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#90226u0242 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - Syria, hampering Baghdad's effort to rally Arab support, announced it was sending a ''symbolic'' contingent of soldiers to help Saudi Arabia thwart a potential attack by Iraqi troops massed on the Saudi the border.

Faced with a U.N.-sanctioned economic embargo and the deployment of a growing multinational military force, Iraq has intensified its verbal attacks on its Arab neighbors, apparently trying to arouse Arab nationalism and shame them into siding with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein against the United States.

Thousands of U.S. troops continued to arrive in Saudi Arabia to guard against a possible attack by Iraqi troops near the border.

The State Department estimated Monday there were 140,000 Iraqi troops in Kuwait, and unofficial reports said the United States had deployed 50,000 troops in Saudi Arabia, but the Pentagon disputed that number and said official totals would be revealed in several days.

The crisis, triggered when Iraq invaded oil-rich Kuwait Aug. 2 and annexed

it a week later, has divided the Moslem world, with Syria and Pakistan demonstrating solidarity with U.S.-led efforts to prevent further Iraqi aggression, while Iraq supporters hold almost daily demonstrations in Jordan, Lebanon, Somalia, Yemen, Algeria and the Israeli-occupied territories.

In Damascus, a government official said Monday that Syria would send ''symbolic military forces to Saudi Arabia within the coming hours.''

The dispatch of Syrian forces, along with Pakistan's announcement it would also send troops, follows deployments by Egypt and Morocco. The Arab League announced at a summit last week it would form a peace-keeping force to Saudi Arabia.

Only Libya and the Palestine Liberation Organization openly sided with Iraq in the crisis, but Jordan and other nations in the 21-member Arab League have refused to condemn the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, which was prompted by a land and oil dispute.

Several thousand Sudanese marched to the U.S. Embassy in Khartoum in support of Saddam Monday and about 1,000 Palestinian guerrillas were reported headed to Baghdad to fight next to Iraqi troops in case war breaks out.

In Amman, the Jordanian Popular Committee in Support of Iraq claimed at least 80,000 men, including Jordanians, Palestinians, Egyptians and Syrians, had volunteered in the last week to fight for Iraq.

But a group in Beirut identifying itself as the Kuwaiti National Resistance Movement announced it would step up attacks within the occupied country.

A U.S. plan to enforce the U.N.-sanctioned embargo by blocking Iraqi ships similarly divided the Western world, with Britain backing Washington Monday and France distancing itself from the prospect of confronting Iraqi ships. U.N. sources said few member states back the Bush administration's avowed intention of using military ships to block Iraqi exports.

British Foreign Office Minister William Waldegrave said Kuwait asked Britain to ''make sure that the economic weapon is effective'' and said British soldiers would board ships that try to violate the economic embargo.

France, however, vowed its forces would not seize Iraqi cargo ships at sea saying the move would constitute an act of war. France did announce it was increasing its presence in the gulf region to help secure the area if Iraq attacks Saudi Arabia.

Sources in the United Nations indicated many member states disagreed with the U.S. contention that it has the right to enforce the U.N.-imposed sanctions under Article 51 of the organization's charter, which gives countries the right to defend themselves.

Wide compliance with the U.N. sanctions could make it feel the economic pinch soon, officials and analysts in the United States said, but they emphasized Baghdad's capacity to endure should not be underestimated.

Iraqi stocks of wheat and other staples were believed to have fallen to just three or four months' worth before the invasion of Kuwait, as the country ran short of hard currency to pay suppliers demanding cash.

Iraq may try to mobilize domestic farmers to meet the minimum requirements of its 15 million people. But this would require the incentive of higher prices, which could undermine political support from urban masses.

However, Iraqis tempered by eight brutal years of war with Iran and cowed by ubiquitous secret police agents are unlikely to challenge the rule of Saddam until dire conditions emerge.

Voice of America radio broadcasts in the Middle East said Monday that 500 Americans had left Kuwait since the Iraqi invasion, but also cautioned some 2,500 Americans still in the occupied nation ''not to try to cross the Kuwaiti border.''

The State Department said it was in frequent contact with Iraq about getting the Americans out of Kuwait and Iraq, but answers from the Iraqis so far have been ''unacceptable.''

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(AUG. 14) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Whitaker 2b	4	2	2	0	Cole cf	5	0	1	0
Phillips 3b	3	1	2	2	Webster lf	5	1	1	2
Tramml dh	4	0	1	2	DiJames 1b	3	1	1	0
Fielder 1b	3	1	1	2	Snyder rf	2	0	0	0
Sheets lf	3	0	0	0	Maldonad rf	4	0	2	1
Lusader lf	0	0	0	0	CJames dh	4	1	2	2
Moseby cf	4	0	1	0	Jacoby 3b	3	0	1	0
Fryman ss	4	0	1	0	Baerga 2b	4	0	1	0
Lemon rf	4	1	1	0	Alomar c	4	1	1	0
Salas c	4	1	1	0	Fermin ss	4	1	1	0
Totals	33	6	10	6	Totals	38	5	11	5

Detroit	320 000 001- 6
Cleveland	012 000 002- 5

E-DiJames, Fryman. DP-Cleveland 1. LOB-Detroit 7, Cleveland 7. 2B-Moseby, Lemon, Phillips, Whitaker. HR-Fielder (36), CJames (9), Webster (10). SB-Whitaker (6), Cole (17). S-Phillips. SF-Phillips, Trammell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Terrell (W 1-1)	6	7	3	3	0	1
Gibson	1	1	0	0	0	1
Gleaton (S 7)	2	3	2	2	0	2
Cleveland						
Shaw (L 2-3)	1	6	5	5	0	0
Valdez	5 1-3	2	0	0	2	1
RWard	2 2-3	2	1	1	2	0

Shaw pitched to 2 batters in the 2nd.

HBP-by Terrell (Jacoby). WP- Valdez. T-2:51. A-12,073.

Umpires-Home, Tschida; 1b, Brinkman; 2b, Reed; 3b, Cooney.

TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Felix	5	0	1	1	Bradley lf	4	0	0	0
Fernandz ss	3	0	0	0	Johnson cf	4	1	2	1
Gruber 3b	4	0	0	0	Calderon dh	4	0	0	0
Bell lf	4	0	0	0	Thomas 1b	3	1	2	1
McGriff 1b	3	1	3	0	Lyons 1b	0	0	0	0
Olerud dh	3	0	1	1	Fisk c	4	0	2	0
Williams dh	0	1	0	0	Sosa rf	4	0	1	1
Myers c	4	1	2	0	Fletcher 2b	4	0	1	0
Whiten pr	0	0	0	0	Grebeck 3b	3	0	0	0
Borders c	0	0	0	0	Ventura ph	0	0	0	0
Lee 2b	3	0	0	0	Guillen ss	4	1	1	0
Mulliniks ph	1	0	0	0					
Sojo 2b	0	0	0	0					
Wilson cf	4	1	2	1					
Totals	34	4	9	3	Totals	34	3	9	3

Toronto	000 010 003- 4
Chicago	000 100 020- 3

E-Fernandez. LOB-Toronto 7, Chica- go 7. 2B-McGriff 2. 3B-Thomas, Johnson.

SB-Johnson (22), Wilson (21). S-Bradley, Ventura.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Wells	7 1-3	6	3	3	1	3
Ward (W 2-6)	2-3	2	0	0	0	1
Henke (S 25)	1	1	0	0	0	1
Chicago						
AlFernandez	8	5	1	0	4	5
Thigpen (L 4-5)	1	4	3	3	0	1

T-3:15. A-28,961.

Umpires-Home, Voltaggio; 1b, Scott; 2b, Reilly; 3b, Garcia.

TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
Huson ss	3	1	1	1	Seitzer 3b	3	1	0	0
Franco 2b	5	0	1	1	Stillwell ss	4	0	0	0
Palmeiro 1b	5	1	2	0	Perry dh	3	2	3	2
Sierra rf	4	0	1	1	Brett 1b	3	0	1	0
Baines dh	3	0	0	0	Eisenrech rf	4	1	0	1
Incaviglia lf	4	0	0	0	Wilson lf	3	0	1	1
Petralli c	4	0	2	0	Macfarlan c	4	0	1	1
Buechele 3b	3	1	0	0	White 2b	4	0	0	0
Daughrty ph	1	0	0	0	McRae cf	3	1	1	0
Pettis cf	3	0	1	0	Appier p	0	0	0	0
Reimer ph	0	0	0	0	Sanchez p	0	0	0	0
Green pr	0	0	0	0	Montgmry p	0	0	0	0
Brown p	0	0	0	0					
Barfield p	0	0	0	0					
Mielke p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	35	3	8	3	Totals	31	5	7	5

Texas	110 000 100- 3
Kansas City	310 010 00x- 5

LOB-Texas 9, Kansas City 6. 2B- Palmeiro, McRae, Petralli. SB-Perry (14).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Brown (L 12-9)	1	4	4	4	2	0
Barfield	6	3	1	1	1	2
Mielke	1	0	0	0	0	0

Kansas City							
Appier (W 8-4)	6 2-3	7	3	3	2	6
Sanchez	1	0	0	0	0	0
Montgomery (S 17)	1 1-3	1	0	0	2	2

Brown pitched to 1 batter in the 2nd.

HBP-by Barfield (Perry). PB- Petralli. Balk-Brown, Appier. T-2:50.
A-34,542.

Umpires-Home, McKean; 1b, Young; 2b, Kaiser; 3b, Johnson.

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Naehring 3b	3	0	0	0	Lansford 3b	4	1	2	0
Quintana 1b	4	0	0	0	Jennings lf	3	2	1	1
Evans dh	3	0	1	0	DHendrsn cf	3	0	1	1
Burks cf	4	0	1	0	McGwire 1b	4	0	0	0
Greenwell lf	3	0	0	0	Hassey c	4	0	1	1
Brunnsky rf	4	0	0	0	Jose rf	3	1	0	0
Pena c	3	0	1	0	Steinbach dh	3	0	1	0
Barrett 2b	4	0	0	0	Weiss ss	4	0	0	0
Rivera ss	2	0	0	0	Randolph 2b	3	0	1	1
Totals	30	0	3	0	Totals	31	4	7	4

Boston	000 000 000- 0
Oakland	002 011 00x- 4

E-Jose. LOB-Boston 8, Oakland 7. 2B -Burks. HR-Jennings (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
GHarris (L 9-5)	5 2-3	6	4	4	3	4
Gray	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	2
Gardner	1	0	0	0	0	0
Oakland						
Sanderson (W 12-7)	9	3	0	0	5	7

HBP-by GHarris (Steinbach). Balk- GHarris. T-2:37. A-34,784.

Umpires-Home, Coble; 1b, Evans; 2b, Welke; 3b, Hickox.

BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Finley rf	4	0	1	0	Reynolds 2b	3	0	0	0
Devereax cf	4	0	1	0	Briley rf	4	0	0	0

Anderson lf	2	1	0	0	Griffey cf	3	0	0	0
CRipken ss	4	1	2	1	Davis dh	4	1	2	0
Tettleton c	2	0	0	0	O'Brien 1b	4	0	0	0
Orsulak dh	4	0	1	0	Leonard lf	3	0	0	0
Hoiles 1b	3	1	0	1	Martinez 3b	4	1	2	1
McKnight 1b	1	0	0	0	Bradley c	4	0	0	0
Wrthngtn 3b	4	0	1	1	Vizquel ss	2	0	1	1
Gonzales 2b	3	0	0	0					
Totals	31	3	6	3	Totals	31	2	5	2

Baltimore	100 200 000- 3
Seattle	000 010 001- 2

DP-Seattle 1. LOB-Baltimore 5, Seattle 6. 2B-CRipken, Martinez. SB-Finley (16). SF-Vizquel.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
McDonald (W 5-0)	8 2-3	4	2	2	3	3
Olson (S 27)	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Seattle						
Holman (L 11-8)	9	6	3	3	4	7

Balk-Holman. T-2:42. A-21,233.

Umpires-Home, Merrill; 1b, Denkinger; 2b, Shulock; 3b, McClelland.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
Kelly cf	4	0	0	0	Downing dh	4	1	1	0
Sax 2b	4	0	1	0	Hill 2b	5	0	2	0
Azocar lf	4	0	3	1	Davis lf	4	0	1	0
Hall dh	4	0	0	0	Venable lf	1	1	0	0
Maas 1b	4	0	0	0	Winfield rf	3	1	2	1
Barfield rf	2	1	1	1	Parrish c	4	0	2	1
Leyritz 3b	4	0	1	0	Stevens 1b	3	0	1	0
Geren c	3	0	0	0	White cf	3	0	1	1
Cerone ph	1	0	0	0	Anderson 3b	4	0	1	0
Espinoza ss	2	1	1	0	Schofield ss	2	1	1	0
Nokes ph	1	0	0	0					
Tolleson ss	0	0	0	0					
Totals	33	2	7	2	Totals	33	4	12	3

New York	001 000 001- 2
California	110 000 20x- 4

E-Tolleson, Sax. DP-New York 2, California 1. LOB-New York 6, California 11. 2B-Winfield. HR-Barfield (16). SF-White.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Cary (L 4-8)	2	4	2	2	2	1
Cadaret	4 1-3	6	2	2	3	6
Guetterman	1 2-3	2	0	0	0	1
California						
McCaskill (W 8-8)	7	6	1	1	2	4
Harvey (S 14)	2	1	1	1	0	4

WP-Cary. T-3:08. A-28,837.

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, McCoy; 2b, Phillips; 3b, Cousins.

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BEIRUT, Lebanon (AUG. 14) UPI - Four Belgian hostages will be released this week following a deal between the kidnappers and the Belgian government, a Lebanese newspaper reported Tuesday.

The conservative Al Liwaa newspaper quoted Western diplomatic sources as saying Emmanuel Houtekins, 44, his wife Godelieve Kets, 50, and their two children Laurent, 19, and Valerie, 18, will be freed Thursday.

Walid Khaled, spokesman of the Fatah Revolutionary Council, the group that claimed responsibility for kidnapping the European nationals, said, ''We have no comment on the report.''

''Things have not been finalized yet.''

The FRC's leader, Abu Nidal, said in 1987 it had snatched the Belgium nationals from a pleasure boat off Israel's coast.

But many reports have suggested the Belgians were kidnapped near Libya where Abu Nidal, responsible for many terrorist attacks worldwide, has bases.

''Contacts between Belgian officials and the Fatah Revolutionary Council have resulted in a final deal,'' Al Liwaa said.

The newspaper said the agreement called for freeing the hostages in exchange for releasing Saeed Nasser, an FRC activist serving a life sentence in a Belgian prison after being convicted of a 1980 grenade

attack on a Jewish synagogue.

Last month, Belgian officials said infighting among FRC ranks complicated the release of the captives, but Khaled accused the Belgian authorities of blocking the freeing of the kidnapped citizens.

Apart from the four Belgians, there are 14 other Western hostages believed held in Lebanon by elements loyal to Iran.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - The Toronto Blue Jays kept Bobby Thigpen from taking the American League lead in saves and Alex Fernandez from a better celebration of his 21st birthday.

Junior Felix capped a three-run ninth inning with an RBI single Monday night, rallying the Blue Jays to a 4-3 victory over the Chicago White Sox.

Toronto overcame a 3-1 deficit by rallying against Chicago relief ace Thigpen, 4-5, who entered the game tied for the American League lead in saves with 37.

Fernandez, who limited Toronto to five hits over eight innings, had hoped to celebrate his 21st birthday by notching his second major-league win in three starts.

''You have to understand that when you have a reliever like Bobby Thigpen, probably one of the best in the league right now, you've got to give the ball to him,'' Fernandez said. ''I took them a long way. I took them eight innings. I think that's better than they expect right now.

''It's just a matter it didn't work out our way today. Then again, the next time out, I'll give the ball again in the ninth inning to Bobby Thigpen. He deserves it.''

Fred McGriff led off the ninth with a double, his third hit of the night, and scored on John Olerud's single. Kenny Williams ran for Olerud and moved to third on a Greg Myers single. One out later, Williams scored when Mookie Wilson hit into a forceout. Wilson stole second and scored the go-ahead run on Felix's bouncing single up the middle.

''These games happen, I guess,'' Thigpen said. ''If two strikes was an out I'd be alright. I just couldn't get the third one tonight. I didn't walk anybody. I wasn't really wild. I didn't have as good stuff as I've had in the past.''

Duane Ward, 2-6, pitched two-thirds of an inning in relief of Blue Jays

starter David Wells. Tom Henke pitched the ninth for his 25th save.

The win helped Toronto close within two games of American League East leader Boston, which was shut out Monday night by Oakland.

''It could be a turning point for us,'' Henke said. ''They had us beat. They had their best pitcher on the mound and we came back to win it. With Bobby being one of the best (relievers) - if not the best - in the league, you almost expect a save. But everyone's human.''

Elsewhere Monday night in the American League, Detroit edged Cleveland 6-5 Kansas City dropped Texas 5-3, Oakland blanked Boston 4-0, Baltimore beat Seattle 3-2 and California defeated New York 4-2.

In the National League, it was: Cincinnati 6, San Francisco 5; Atlanta 9, Los Angeles 5; and Houston 7, Chicago 2.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Tigers 6, Indians 5

At Cleveland, Cecil Fielder hit his major league-leading 36th home run and Tony Phillips and Alan Trammell each drove in a pair of runs to lead Detroit. Walt Terrell, 1-1, scattered seven hits over six innings as the Tigers snapped a three-game losing streak. Jerry Don Gleaton pitched the final two innings to earn his seventh save. Cleveland starter Jeff Shaw, 2-3, took the loss.

Royals 5, Rangers 3

At Kansas City, Mo., Gerald Perry drove home two runs and scored twice and Kevin Appier won for the third consecutive start to lead Kansas City. Appier, 8-4, allowed runs in the first and second innings but went five innings without allowing a runner to get past first base. Jeff Montgomery got four outs for his 17th save. Kevin Brown, 12-9, was the loser.

Athletics 4, Red Sox 0

At Oakland, Calif., Scott Sanderson pitched a three-hitter and Doug Jennings hit his first home run of the season to lead Oakland to its fifth straight win. Sanderson, 12-7, walked five and struck out seven in posting his second complete game of the year. The win made him a 12-game winner for the first time since 1982. Boston starter Greg Harris, 9-5, took the loss.

Orioles 3, Mariners 2

At Seattle, Ben McDonald scattered four hits over 8 2-3 innings and Cal

Ripken Jr. scored a run and drove in another for Baltimore. McDonald, 5-0, walked three and struck out three in his fifth major-league start. Gregg Olson got the final out for his 27th save. Seattle starter Brian Holman, 11-8, pitched a six-hitter for his second complete game, walking four and striking out six. The Mariners have lost six of their last seven games.

Angels 4, Yankees 2

At Anaheim, Calif. Dave Winfield doubled home a run and scored another on a foul pop-up in the seventh inning to help California hand the Yankees their fourth straight loss. Kirk McCaskill, 8-8, scattered six hits over the first seven innings for the win. Bryan Harvey earned his 14th save despite yielding a one-out solo home run to Jesse Barfield in the ninth.

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LIMA, PERU (AUG. 14) UPI - A car bomb exploded near the presidential house, wounding at least five people, and a similar attack south of the capital killed one person and wounded 19, police said.

President Alberto Fujimori, who has not been seen since Wednesday when he announced a radical economic austerity program, was in the house when the explosion occurred Monday, police said. The five people who were wounded were passersby, police said.

In Cuzco, about 400 miles southeast of Lima, a car bomb exploded Monday near an army office, killing one person and wounding 19, police said.

Arrests were made in the Cuzco attack, police said, but the suspects' identities and other details of the apprehensions were not immediately available.

The explosion severely damaged a wall of the army office and the front of a hotel and movie theater.

There were no immediate claims of responsibility for either attack.

Peru is home to the Maoist Shining Path rebel movement. Since 1980, more than 19,000 people have died in political fighting and assassinations.

Another insurgency, the left-wing Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement, is mostly based in urban areas. Its rebels plant bombs and kidnap prominent businessmen to promote revolution.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - On a team with many heroes, the Cincinnati Reds found two more Monday night.

Joe Oliver highlighted a five-run fourth inning with a two-run double and Tim Layana hurled 2 1-3 innings of one-hit relief to lead Cincinnati to a 6-5 victory over the San Francisco Giants.

The victory gave the Reds three out of four games in their weekend series against the Giants and allowed them to open a 6 1/2-game lead over San Francisco in the NL West.

With the Reds trailing 4-3 in the fourth, Oliver doubled home Mariano Duncan and Paul O'Neil to give Cincinnati the lead for good.

Oliver's clutch hit was part of a five-run inning in which the Reds rebounded from a 4-1 deficit to take a 6-4 advantage.

''Joe Oliver got a big hit for us in the fourth and that's something he's been doing all year,'' Reds Manager Lou Piniella said. ''And Tim Layana, Rob Dibble and Randy Myers all did their jobs out of the bullpen. It was a complete team effort, no doubt about it.''

Giants starter Trevor Wilson, 8-4, was roughed up for six runs and six hits in 3 1-3 innings.

Though not a member of the famed ''Nasty Boys,'' Layana, 5-0, proved tough enough to the Giants' most dangerous hitters.

When Layana relieved starter Scott Scudder with a 6-4 lead in the fifth, there were none out and runners on first and second. To make matters worse Will Clark, Kevin Mitchell and Matt Williams - who had already slugged a three-run homer - were the next three batters.

But Layana struck out Clark, hit Mitchell with a pitch and induced Williams to ground into an inning-ending double play.

''I was getting the knuckle curve over and it was my big pitch,'' Layana said.

The other Cincinnati relievers were full of big pitches as well.

Scudder was a last-second replacement for scheduled starter Danny Jackson, who was unable to get loose while warming up because of tightness in his left shoulder, and was pounded for four runs in the first inning.

''I probably should have taken more time to warm up, because I wasn't getting my breaking ball over at first,'' Scudder said. ''Then I got a fastball up to Williams in the first and he hit it over the center-field

fence. After that, I settled down and our bullpen came through, along with our hitters.''

Dibble, who struck out three of the six batters he faced in relief of Layana, and Myers, who garnered his 24th save, held the Giants in check the rest of the way.

''I'm proud of this team,'' Dibble said. ''There's no one guy who carries our team, everyone plays their part. And that's why it's going to be our year.''

Elsewhere Monday night in the National League, Atlanta dumped Los Angeles 9-5 and Houston clobbered Chicago 7-2.

In the American League, it was: Detroit 6, Cleveland 5; Toronto 4, Chicago 3; Kansas City 5, Texas 3; Oakland 4, Boston 0; Baltimore 3, Seattle 2 and California 4, New York 2.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Braves 9, Dodgers 5

At Atlanta, rookie slugger Dave Justice cracked a three-run homer to lead the Braves. John Smoltz, 9-8, surrendered six hits over seven innings for the win. Los Angeles starter Fernando Valenzuela, 9-10, took the loss but still has won 19 of 27 career decisions against Atlanta. Justice, the National League Player of the Week, has collected seven homers and 15 RBI in his last eight games.

Astros 7, Cubs 2

At Chicago, Franklin Stubbs hit two homers and Mark Portugal hit a two-run single and pitched his first complete game to lead the Astros. Portugal, 6-9, scattered nine hits as Houston halted a four-game losing streak, Lance Dickson, 0-2, the Cubs' first-round pick in June's amateur draft, took the loss. Stubbs went 2-for-3 and drove in four runs.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 14) UPI - Bernard Kliban, who created a menagerie of round-eyed, striped cartoon cats that became a multimillion-dollar craze, died Sunday nearly two weeks after undergoing heart surgery. He was 55.

Kliban died at University of California at San Francisco Hospital and the coroner's office said the cause of his death had not been determined. The artist, who signed his work ''B. Kliban,'' lived in Corte Madera, Calif.

Kliban dropped out of art school but his first collection of cat cartoons, published in the book ''Cat'' in 1975, put him at the top of his profession.

The book introduced a gallery of cats wearing oversized tennis shoes, drunken-looking cats in paper hats, ''Momcat'' and a cat wearing roller skates.

In only a few years, the characters found their way onto greeting cards, bed linens and calendars that became to a $50 million industry by the mid-1980s.

Kliban published 10 books, most issued by Workman Publishing, including ''Never Eat Anything Bigger Than Your Head, and Other Drawings'', in 1976, ''Whack Your Porcupine, and Other Drawings'', in 1977, ''Tiny Footprints, and Other Drawings'', in 1978, ''Playboy's Kliban'', in 1979, ''Two Guys Fooling Around With the Moon'', in 1982, and ''Luminous Animals'', published by Penguin Books in 1983.

The artist maintained an ironic objectivity about cats, defining them as ''one hell of a nice animal, frequently mistaken for a meat loaf.'' He said he was allergic to cats ''until I hit late puberty in my 20s when it just went away.''

He said contrary to what most people thought, he said he was not ''gaga over cats. I like them but I'm not silly about them. Cats look like cartoons. There's something funny and vulnerable and innocent about them.''

Bernard Kilban was born Jan. 1, 1935, in Norwalk, Conn. where his father was a manufacturer. He hated his first name and liked to be known as ''Hap'' because he was a New Year's baby and was supposed to be good news.

He dropped out of Pratt Institute and Cooper Union and did a series of menial jobs before moving to California in 1959. He began doing freelance advertising drawings and started specializing in cats at the advice of Michelle Uhry, the cartoon editor at Playboy and his agent Toni Mendez.

Kliban is survived by his wife Judith in Corte Madera in Marin County, two daughters and a brother. A memorial service was planned but no date was set.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

Batting

(Minimum 275 at-bats)

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	355	84	117	.330
Palmeiro, Tex	423	54	137	.324
Harper, Min	347	47	111	.320
Griffey, Sea	448	71	143	.319
Brett, KC	398	61	124	.312
JoReed, Bos	412	53	128	.311
Quintana, Bos	345	41	107	.310
Boggs, Bos	439	66	136	.310
Trammell, Det	425	52	131	.308
Martinez, Sea	383	55	118	.308

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	411	82	144	.350
McGee, StL	446	68	150	.336
Dawson, Chi	370	51	123	.332
Bonds, Pit	363	79	117	.322
Gwynn, SD	451	66	144	.319
Murray, LA	378	64	119	.315
Sandberg, Chi	460	86	142	.309
Jefferies, NY	418	71	129	.309
Larkin, Cin	436	59	134	.307
Mitchell, SF	377	67	115	.305

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 36; J.Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 29; McGriff, Tor 26; Gruber, Tor 23.
National League - Sandberg, Chi 27; Strawberry, NY and Mitchell, SF 26; Bonilla and Bonds, Pit 23.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 93; J.Canseco, Oak 82; Gruber, Tor 80; McGwire, Oak 74; Sierra, Tex 72.
National League - Carter, SD 93; Williams, SF 89; Bonds, Pit 88; Strawberry, NY 75; Bonilla, Pit 74.

Doubles

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos 38; Boggs, Bos and Brett, KC 33; Puckett and Harper, Min 31.
National League - Wallach, Mtl 31; Dykstra, Phi 30; Sabo, Cin, Jefferies, NY and Bonilla, Pit 29.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 15; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos 7; Polonia, Cal, Johnson, Chi, Webster, Cle, Eisenreich, KC and Felix, Tor 6.
National League - L.Smith, Atl 8; Duncan, Cin, Coleman and Thompson, StL

and Gwynn, SD 7.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 49; Sax, NY 30; Calderon, Chi 29; Pettis, Tex 27; Kelly, NY 25.

National League - Coleman, StL 59; Yelding, Hou 47; Bonds, Pit 38; Nixon and Raines, Mtl 35.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 84; Fielder, Det 75; Yount, Mil and McGriff, Tor 73; Griffey, Sea 71.

National League - Bonilla, Pit and Sandberg, Chi 86; Dykstra, Phi 82; Bonds, Pit 79; Sabo, Cin 77.

Hits

American League - Griffey, Sea 143; Palmeiro, Tex 137; Boggs, Bos 136; Seitzer, KC 134; Trammell, Det 131.

National League - McGee, StL 150; Dykstra, Phi and Gwynn, SD 144; Sandberg, Chi 142; Alomar, SD 135.

Pitching

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 19; Clemens, Bos and Stewart, Oak 16; Finley Cal and Stieb, Tor 15.

National League - Martinez, LA and Viola, NY 15; Drabek, Pit 14; Browning, Cin 12; Harkey, Chi, Armstrong, Cin, Gooden, NY, Tudor, StL and Burkett, SF 11.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 100 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 2.16; Finley, Cal 2.36; Stewart, Oak 2.46; McCaskill, Cal 2.96; Welch, Oak 3.08.

National League - Tudor, StL 2.45; Whitson, SD 2.62; Viola, NY 2.73; Martinez, LA 2.79; Gardner, Mtl 2.85.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 164; Hanson, Sea 152; Witt, Tex 151; Ryan, Tex 150; Johnson, Sea 138.

National League - Martinez, LA 174; Gooden, NY 145; Cone, NY 144; Smoltz, Atl 128; DeLeon, StL, 126.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi and Eckersley, Oak 37; Jones, Cle 31; Schooler, Sea 29; Olson, Bal 27.

National League - Franco, NY 25, Myers, Cin 24; Smith, StL 21, Smith, Hou 19; Lefferts, SD 18.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 7; Brown, Tex 6; Morris, Det, Saberhagen, KC, Leary, NY and Young, Sea 5.
National League - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl Maddux, Chi, Belcher, LA, Martinez, Mtl and Hurst, SD 5.

Shutouts
American League - Stewart, Oak 3; Clemens, Bos, King and Perez, Chi, Black, Cle, Appier, KC, Knudson, Mil, Welch, Oak and Brown and Ryan, Tex 2.
National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl and Viola, NY 3; 13 pitchers tied with 2.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - Around the world.. around the clock... U-P-I has the latest news.

President Bush is interrupting his vacation in Kennebunkport, Maine, today to return to the White House for two days of talks with budget and military advisers. The president also is expected to hold a news conference on events in the Persian Gulf. The UNofficial military blockade against Iraq is in its second full day.

A Syrian government official in Damascus says Syria will send a ''symbolic military force to Saudi Arabia within the coming hours.'' Faced with a growing economic embargo, Iraq has stepped up a verbal attack on Arab nations that appear to be siding with the United States in its protection of Saudi Arabia.

Defense Secretary Cheney has eliminated two of the one-BILLION-dollar Seawolf attack submarines and nine Arleigh Burke destroyer ships from the defense program. The major cuts are expected to save about seven-BILLION dollars over the next four years.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry ended his life-long affiliation with the Democratic Party yesterday. Barry now has until August 29th to file as an independent candidate for the November election. The mayor says he wants to keep his ''options open'' regarding a fourth mayoral term or a seat on the City Council.

Consolidated Edison officials in New York City say it may be several days before power is restored to about 11-hundred residential and business customers. A fire at an electrical substation left most of lower Manhattan's financial district in the dark yesterday afternoon.

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#90226u0344 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - U-S officials say 105 foreigners, including some Americans, left Liberia yesterday under the protection of U-S military forces. Officials say rebels in the West African nation allowed a convoy of cars to pass through their lines without incident. Liberia is embroiled in a bitter civil war.

The 29th anniversary of the Berlin Wall was remembered in West Berlin yesterday with both East and West German officials participating in the ceremonies together for the first time. Since the wall was built on August 13th, 1961, to its fall last November, 77 people were killed while trying to escape to West Berlin.

NASA says the Hubble Space Telescope can take capture clearer, more valuable images than originally thought. Ecstatic astronomers released pictures of a star cluster yesterday, demonstrating the telescope's potential. Project scientist Edward Weiler says Hubble ''remains very, very much alive.''

Officials at Alaska's Tsunami Warning Center report a moderate earthquake shook more than half of the Alaska population yesterday. Seismologists say the jolt measured five-point-six on the Richter scale and was located 110 miles southwest of Anchorage. There were NO reports of any damage.

A tropical storm warning was issued for Trinidad and Tobago, Grenada and other Caribbean islands last night as Tropical Storm Fran approached packing winds of 40 miles an hour. Late last night, Fran was centered about 290 miles east of Trinidad moving west-northwest at about 26 miles an hour.

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#90226u0579 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (UPI) - About 500 Americans have managed to get out of Kuwait since the Iraqi invasion, but the State Department began broadcasting warnings telling the estimated 2,500 Americans left behind that it would be dangerous to try any large-scale breakouts.

But the broadcasts over the Voice of America Monday told the Americans to prepare for eventual evacuation and that they will be told how and when to get out.

The broadcasts on VOA say, ''We do not, repeat, do not, recommend Americans try to cross the Kuwaiti border.''

Apparently because of rumors in Kuwait that the border to Saudi Arabia was open, 40 to 50 carloads of Americans headed out of Kuwait City Monday, but were stopped at the border, where they sat for hours in the blazing heat.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said she would not describe the methods used by the various Americans who succeeded in getting out of the country, in order not to compromise the methods.

One British citizen was reported shot and killed Sunday when Iraqi troops fired on a small convoy of cars at the Saudi border. At least one American was in that convoy, according to U.S. sources. He was not injured and is now in Saudi Arabia.

In Iraq, where 500 to 600 civilian Americans are still unable to leave the country, the embassy reported that food supplies are getting short in the city, affecting foreigners like everybody else.

The State Department said the U.S. interdiction will prevent food shipments from reaching Iraq ''for now'' since the situation is not desperate enough to qualify Iraq for humanitarian aid. Humanitarian food supplies and medicines would be specifically excluded from the world-wide embargo if the situation in Iraq became desperate.

Mohamed al-Mashat, Iraqi's ambassador to the United States, said on the NBC ''Today'' program Tuesday that his government has given assurances that the Americans in his country would be allowed to leave.

''We have declared that. We have said we are going to let them go,'' al-Mashat said. ''We ... have already let many people go. It takes time under the current circumstances. In due time they are going to be let free '' al-Mashat said.

Tutwiler said that the State Department would try to get another group of diplomatic personnel and dependents out of the country this week. Ten diplomats and dependents succeeded in getting to Jordan Saturday, along with Penelope Nabokov, a 10-year-old American girl from Albany, Calif.

Iraqis have said that diplomats can leave Iraq and Kuwait, seven days after applying for an exit visa.

There are about 120 diplomats at the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait and another 27 in Baghdad. Tutwiler said that the plan is to reduce the size of both staffs.

The State Department said it is in frequent contact with the Iraqis about getting the Americans out of Kuwait and Iraq, but the answers from the Iraqis so far have been ''unacceptable.''

The Iraqis, in a move that suggests there is a deliberate policy to keep the Americans and Europeans stranded, are letting some Africans, south Asians and Latin Americans out of the country, but other nationalities appear to be in the same boat as the Americans.

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#90226u0590 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
PARIS (AUG. 14) UPI - France has provided the United States with vital classified information about French-made weapons being used by Iraqi forces in the Persian Gulf, the International Herald Tribune reported Tuesday.

According to unnamed French and U.S. sources quoted by the Paris-based newspaper, the secrets could provide a significant advantage to Western forces in neutralizing Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's military moves.

France had been Iraq's largest Western arms supplier and most important supplier of high-technology weapons, including air-to-air missiles and an airborne early warning system.

Iraq's awareness of the U.S. knowledge could have prevented Saddam from forcing a military showdown, the newspaper said, adding the information severely hampers Iraq's ability to launch a surprise attack.

The newspaper also said the Soviet Union, Baghdad's largest arms supplier, was studying a similar request for information.

U.S. officials in Paris had no immediate comment on the report.

A spokesman for the French Foreign Ministry declined to comment directly, but issued a statement saying France would maintain its ''solidarity'' with other members of the U.N. Security Council in enforcing the embargo.

France has sent the second-largest Western military contingent to the Persian Gulf, but has maintained the force's independence from the U.S.-led multinational force.

It also said that despite the U.S. effort to seize Iraqi cargo ships, French ships would not participate in such a blockade, which officials said would constitute an act of war.

France's statements have sought to place distance between the French and U.S. efforts, but a source quoted by the Herald Tribune said ''you can be assured everything (all key information) has been supplied'' about French weapons.

French military advisors were closely involved in helping Iraqi forces devise weapons systems and battle plans during the Iran-Iraq war, so Paris officials have important insight into Saddam's possible strategies.

Particularly dangerous French-made weapons include the R-530 air-to-air

missiles used effectively by Iraqi pilots to avoid dogfights, and the radar system, the French version of the AWACS.

According to French military sources quoted by the newspaper, Iraq is not equipped to fight at night, and has no accurate means of launching its feared chemical weapons to disable air bases or carriers. Moreover, Iraqi forces are further hampered by the cutoff of intelligence and further weapons from China, the Soviet Union and the West.

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#90226u0637 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - President Bush is interrupting his summer vacation in Kennebunkport, Maine, today to return to the White House for two days of meetings with top advisers. The president also is expected to hold a news conference on the Persian Gulf crisis. The United States is continuing its economic embargo against Baghdad with U-S warships poised to use force, if necessary, to prevent vital goods from entering or leaving Iraq.

Kuwait's exiled foreign minister is in Washington today with hopes of meeting with the president to thank him for leading the fight against Iraqi aggression. The sheik is scheduled to meet with Secretary of State Baker and other top Bush adminsistration officials. He also will go to New York City to meet with U-N Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

Peruvian police say one person was killed and at least five others wounded last night when car bomb exploded near the presidential house in Lima. President Alberto Fujimori was in the house at the time of the explosion. Also yesterday, a second car bomb, about 400 miles southeast of the capital, killed one person and wounded 19 others near an army office.

A Lebanese newspaper is quoting Western diplomats as saying four Belgian hostages will be freed this week. The report says the captives will be released as part of a deal between the kidnappers and the Belgian government. The Fatah Revolutionary Council allegedly abducted the family of four, including two teen-agers, in 1987 from a pleasure boat off Israel's coast.

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#90226u0646 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - A federal judge in New York has prevented the U-S government from enforcing regulations aimed at preventing minors from listening to dial-a-porn telephone services. The judge yesterday ruled the so-called Helms amendment, which was passed by Congress last year, would have represented ''a threat'' to First Amendment freedoms. The ruling affects New York state only, but could be adopted nationally.

Actress Esther Rolle, who appeared in last year's ''Driving Miss Daisy'' and the 70's television series ''Good Times,'' is hospitalized after being involved in a car accident. The accident occurred Sunday near the California-Nevada border when the car Rolle was riding in careened off a highway and overturned. 69-year-old Rolle suffered several broken ribs, facial cuts and a bruised heart.

New York City police say singer Curtis Mayfield and seven others were injured last night when sound and lighting equipment crashed down on an outdoor stage as Mayfield was about to begin performing. The collapse occurred at the Brooklyn High School. A police spokeswoman says the singer suffered tingling of the arms, a symptom of spine trauma, and is hospitalized in serious condition.

A group trying to save historic Walden Pond in Massachusetts from developers says it has purchased a 25-acre tract of land in the forest that inspired the 19th century naturalist Henry David Thoreau. Rock star Don Henley, co-chair of the Walden Woods Project, says Thoreau was the nation's first environmentalist whose philosophies need to be remembered. Thoreau immortalized Walden Pond in his work ''Walden.''

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#90226u0652 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (AUG. 14) UPI - Federal prosecutors plan to consolidate additional evidence against Manuel Noriega in a new indictment that will strengthen the cocaine trafficking charges already filed against the ousted Panamanian leader, The Miami Herald said Tuesday.

Quoting unidentified sources, the newspaper said the proposed superseding indictment would add charges based on the testimony of witnesses who have come forward since the U.S. invasion that toppled Noriega in December.

The new indictment also may combine charges made against Noriega in a federal indictment in Tampa with the Miami charges, the newspaper said.

Newsweek magazine also reported in its Aug. 20 issue that Miami ''prosecutors are preparing a stronger and more detailed indictment'' against Noriega.

''It may have been weak at the time but it's sure getting better,'' the Herald quoted an unidentified person familiar with the investigation as saying.

Prosecutors and federal drug investigators refused comment and one of Noriega's lawyers said he had no information about revised charges.

''Obviously, we would be the last to know about those things,'' said

lawyer John May. ''But nothing would surprise me.''

He questioned the need for a new indictment, saying it would accomplish nothing except to delay Noriega's trial, now set for January.

''The government doesn't need a superseding indictment to try to put Gen. Noriega away for the rest of his life,'' May said.

Richard Gregorie, the former prosecutor who directed the original Miami grand jury investigation, said the Miami indictment returned in February 1988 was built primarily on the testimony of a half-dozen witnesses.

''They have at least five or six new witnesses that fill in some pieces here or there,'' Gregorie said.

Since Noreiga's capture in January, prosecutors have interviewed a number of prospective witesses, including at least one convicted smuggler, who have been invlolved in drug cases around the United States.

The recent surrender of other Noriega co-defendants also is expected to help the prosecution. Since the Dec. 20 U.S. invasion, nine of the 16 defendants have been arrested and defense lawyers believe at least one has agreed to testify against Noriega.

Another co-defendant, Medellin drug boss Gustavo Gaviria Rivero, was killed Sunday during a raid by elite security forces in Colombia.

The original Miami indictment charges Noriega with racketeering and 10 other counts for his alleged role in providing a drug trafficking and money laundering sanctuary for members of Colombia's Medellin Cartel, the world's largest cocaine trafficking organization.

A simultaneous indictment in Tampa accuses Noriega of conspiring with a marijuana smuggler to import more than one million pounds of marijuana.

Although published reports have described the physical evidence against Noreiga as weak, Gregorie said the case was never dependent on documents.

''It consists of cocaine transactions that were done largely by word of mouth with Medellin Cartel members and Noriega. These were not the kind of transactions with written contracts,'' Gregorie said.

He said must federal drug caes in Florida rely on the testimony of informants, usually convicted drug dealers, rather than paper trails.

To supercede the original indictment, new evidence must be presented before a Miami grand jury.

A Miami banker who was recently convicted in the Tampa BCCI money laundering case could become a key factor in the Noriega case. Amjad Awan, described as Noriega's personal banker, faces a long prison term if he does not choose to provide evidence for the government's case against Noriega.

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#90226u0676 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - Retail sales edged up 0.1 percent in July to $149.5 billion on strength in building materials, home furnishings and mobile homes, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

The small gain follows a revised 1.1 percent increase in June, and provides further evidence that consumers are being cautious with their cash as the economy lumbers along.

In May, retail sales declined a revised 0.1 percent.

July sales of durable goods - expensive items made to last three or more years - were up 0.3 percent while sales of non-durable goods showed no change, according to the report by the department's Census Bureau.

Sales of cars, trucks and vans were weak last month, down 0.6 percent. Not counting autos, retail sales in July were up 0.3 percent, a government spokesman said.

Most of the strength in the report was in two areas.

Sales of building materials, hardware, garden supplies and mobile homes advanced 3.9 percent in July, while sales of furniture and home furnishings gained 2.5 percent, the Commerce Department said.

In the non-durable goods sector, department store sales increased last month by 0.8 percent, food store sales were up 0.4 percent and drug store sales increased 0.6 percent.

But sales fell 0.3 percent at gasoline service stations in July, tumbled 0.9 percent at clothing stores and were off 0.4 percent at restaurants and taverns, the department said.

The $149.5 billion in total retail sales for July is an increase of 2.8 percent over July 1989's total of $149.4 billion.

All the figures in the report were adjusted for seasonal factors, such as holidays.

#90226u0684 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 14) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange rebounded Tuesday, halting - at least momentarily - one of the worst slides in its history.

The blue-chip Nikkei average of 225 selected stocks, the market's leading indicator, climbed 496.10 points or 1.9 percent to 26,672.53, following a precipitous slide of 1,153.12 points Monday.

It was the Nikkei's first rise in a week, and ended a skid that saw the market's main barometer lose 13.5 percent of its book value in less than two weeks.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares gained 27.29 points to 2,020.33. TOPIX had fallen below the psychologically important 2,000 level Monday with a 63.84-point loss.

Advances outpaced declines 584 to 337, while 130 issues remained unchanged.

Volume was stronger but remained light in view of the vacation season. An estimated 380 million shares changed hands, up from 268 million shares Monday.

Analysts attributed the modest rally to bargain-hunting by instititutional investors and repositioning by futures arbitrageurs, who had sold large volumes of stocks in the cash market Monday.

''Bargain-hunters went for big-capital stocks,'' said Hidetaka Yoshida, equities department chief at Kidder Peabody International.

''But we still can't be sure if we've hit bottom,'' Yoshida added. ''This market is weak even without bad news from Iraq.''

Analysts said the market gained confidence from reports that large Japanese securities houses have appealed to the Ministry of Finance to restrict futures arbitrage.

Arbitrageurs attempt to profit from price gaps between the spot and futures markets by using computer programs to buy and sell in both markets simultaneously.

The practice is mainly conducted by U.S. firms, which have complained that they are being made scapegoats for the stock market's underlying weakness.

On the trading floor, among the stocks that benefited from bargain-hunting were Nippon Steel and Toshiba.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices recovered ground in sparse trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as investors awaited fresh news on the crisis in the Persian Gulf. Activity continued to be concentrated in the blue chips.

The key Hang Seng Index, which fell 38.69 points Monday, rebounded 27.25 points to 3,067.53.

Among the narrower indexes, financials inched up 12.93 points, utilities added 39.93, industrials gained 24.88 and properties rose 44.43 points.

Volume remained light as an estimated 818 million shares chnaged hands, compared with a revised 888 million shares Monday.

With the sound of the opening bell, bargain hunters snapped up issues, pushing the market up more than 36 points in early trading.

A mild bout of midday selling almost killed the blue chip-led rally and trimmed some of the early gains, analysts said.

Stocks resumed the climb late in the session in the sluggish trading.

''It was an uneventful day. The buying and selling interest was very sluggish,'' said Herman Lam, a broker with First Pacific Securities. ''Everyone is waiting for further news from the Middle East.

''There is no point in investing too aggressively at the moment. There doesn't seem to be any quick solution to the Middle East.''

''I expect the market to trade around the 3000 level for the next few days. If the market drops to 2,900 there will be some buyers, but I don't see any immediate upswings unless the situation in the Gulf improves,'' Lam added.

In Singapore, bargain hunters and the rally in Tokyo pushed prices higher on the Singapore Stock Exchange while investors watched developments in the Middle East. Trading remained sluggish.

The blue-chip Straits Times Industrial Index, which plunged 54.77 points Monday, rose 5.83 points to 1,294.72. The narrower All Singapore Index rose 3.19 points to 373.56.

An estimated 67.5 million shares chnaged hands, compared with 79.8 million shares Monday.

Analysts said the upward swing following Monday's plunge was not likely to be sustained.

The tense situation in the Gulf, coupled with the ripple effects of a

possible recession in the United States left investors uneasy, a local market watcher said.

On the trading floor, Seaview Corp. paced the advancing issues followed by Spore Land and Spore Press.

Singapore Airlines foreign shares led the declining issues followed by Fraser and Neave ordinary shares and Keppel Corp.

In Bangkok, stock prices on the Stock Exchange of Thailand tumbled in slow trading.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) Index fell 28.03 points or 3 percent to 893.10. The key index has fallen more than 200 points since Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2.

Declines outpaced advances 133 to 18.

The market was closed Monday for the birthday of the Thai Queen.

Analysts said stocks fell shadowed by worries the situation in the Middle East could worsen.

In Taipei, stock prices rebounded in sluggish trading on the Taiwan Stock Exchange amid some bargin hunting.

The key Weighted Index, which fell 229.74 points Monday, rallied 153.84 points or 3.96 percent to 4,038.73.

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In Seoul, stock prices on the Korea Stock Exchange closed sharply lower in light trading.

The Korea Composite Stock Price Index fell 13.56 points to 632.30 - its lowest closing level of the year.

Declines outpaced advances 688 to 38, while 110 issues remained unchanged.

Analysts said prices fell from the opening bell in a continued downturn triggered by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait earlier this month.

In Australia, stock prices closed higher on the Sydney Sharemarket helped by strong demand for gold shares.

The market's the general price indicator, the All Ordinaries Index, which fell 14.0 points Monday, rebounded 8.9 points to 1564.0.

Resource issues led the advance as the All Resources Index climbed 10.7 points, or almost 1 percent, to 968.0, while the All Industrials Index climbed 6.0 points to 2,328.8.

An estimated 97.6 million shares changed hands, compared with 79.4 million shares Monday.

Gold issues dominated trading in the wake of another rise in the bullion price on global markets, analysts said.

The Gold Index extended its 80.0 point gain from Monday, adding another 47.0 points to 1,634.0.

On the trading floor, GMK Gold gained 3 cents to $1.05, Placer Pacific added 8 cents to $3.78, Newmont Mining gained 6 cents to $1.28 and Homestake Mining added 4 cents to $1.60.

Elsewhere, oil stocks ended mixed. BHP Oil gained 15 cents to $11.15, while Santos Oil slipped 1 cent to $4.94.

4.82, NAB lost 0.02 to 6.66, Brambles rose 0.05 to 11.60, while News Corp gained 0.05 to 11.60.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - Retail sales edged up 0.1 percent in July to $149.5 billion on strength in building materials, home furnishings and mobile homes, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

The small gain follows a revised 1.1 percent increase in June, and provides further evidence that consumers are being cautious with their cash as the economy lumbers along.

In May, retail sales declined a revised 0.1 percent.

July sales of durable goods - expensive items made to last three or more years - were up 0.3 percent while sales of non-durable goods showed no change, according to the report by the department's Census Bureau.

Sales of cars, trucks and vans were weak last month, down 0.6 percent. Not counting autos, retail sales in July were up 0.3 percent, a government spokesman said.

Most of the strength in the report was in two areas.

Sales of building materials, hardware, garden supplies and mobile homes

advanced 3.9 percent in July, while sales of furniture and home furnishings gained 2.5 percent, the Commerce Department said.

In the non-durable goods sector, department store sales increased last month by 0.8 percent, food store sales were up 0.4 percent and drug store sales increased 0.6 percent.

But sales fell 0.3 percent at gasoline service stations in July, tumbled 0.9 percent at clothing stores and were off 0.4 percent at restaurants and taverns, the department said.

The $149.5 billion in total retail sales for July is an increase of 2.8 percent over July 1989's total of $149.4 billion.

All the figures in the report were adjusted for seasonal factors, such as holidays.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Iraq has appropriated $3 billion-$4 billion in gold bullion, cash and military and civilian goods from Kuwaiti financial and commercial institutions since taking over the country, it was reported Tuesday.

The New York Times, quoting Arab bankers in the Persian Gulf and London, said the transfer of the goods to Baghdad appreciably increased Iraq's financial reserves, estimated by Arab and British bankers at $6.5 billion before Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

The Iraqis also confiscated huge amounts of civilian and miltary aiplanes, automobiles, machinery, food and other goods, The Times said.

''We're talking about gold, cash, cars, airplanes, tankers and a lot of military hardware that fell intact into the hands of the Iraqis on the first days of the invasion,'' The Times quoted an unidentified Middle Eastern banker as saying.

The newspaper said officials in Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, London, Abu Dhabi and Dubai reported the invasion has sent shockwaves through the regional economy in the form of capital flight, rising insurance rates, inflation and a cash shortage among people trapped by the takeover.

The Times said many Arab investors and foreigners are trying to transfer their money abroad, particularly to Switzerland and other Western nations. Arab central banks have imposed measures to insure that the flight of hundreds of millions of dollars remains orderly and does not become a panic.

The invasion also trapped about 2 million foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait who cannot leave or move their money.

Shipping insurance rates are soaring, kiting the price of all imported goods and raising the price of Saudi Arabian oil shipped out of the region.

The Times quoted a shipping executive in Jidda, Saudi Arabia, as saying war insurance rates have risen up to 2.5 percent of the value of a cargo, from a pre-invasion rate of zero, in some regions of the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf.

Bankers in the area said the Kuwaiti central bank held about 2.5 million ounces of gold, worth about $1 billion, before the Iraqis seized it Aug. 2. The bank also had about $350 million in Kuwaiti dinars and hundreds of million dollars in hard cash, including American dollars, British pounds sterling and French and Swiss francs, among other currencies, The Times reported.

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#90226u0704 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

BONN (AUG. 14) UPI - The Bundespost remained the largest investor in West Germany in 1989, pumping $12.3 billion into the economy, Post and Telecommunications Minister Christian Schwarz-Schilling said Tuesday.

He said the Bundespost, the West German postal and telecommunications authority, recorded a $1.97 billion profit in 1989, up from $1.4 billion the previous year.

The Bundespost's total sales in 1989 were $36 billion, he said.

Schwarz-Schilling indicated the Bundespost investments of $12.3 billion were 6.7 percent more than in 1988.

The results were the last to include all Bundespost divisions, as the postal service, telecommunications and the postal bank have been divided into three separate authorities.

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#90226u0715 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - A large portion of lower Manhattan was blacked out Tuesday for the second day, leaving thousands of apartment dwellers without water or lights as a workers toiled to repair an electrical substation damaged by fire.

Beekman Downtown Hospital was under emergency power and hundreds of

businesses were closed or operating on auxilliary electricity.

The fire in a Consolidated Edison substation near the Brooklyn Bridge just after noon Monday cut power to most of lower Manhattan, darkening most of the city's financial district, stranding hundreds of people in elevators, stopping subways business transactions.

Tuesday, subways were running on emergency generators but the power outage continued to affect 1,100 customers - many of them apartment houses and large businesses - in an area about a half mile square along the East River south of the Brooklyn Bridge.

Service was not expected to be restored for several days, Con Edison officials said.

The smoky blaze forced Consolidated Edison to shut off power to almost all of lower Manhattan, with the exception of the New York Stock Exchange, where trading was not affected.

The American Stock Exchange, which had to be closed Monday, opened on time Tuesday morning, a spokesman said.

Extra police were assigned throughout the area during the night and lit the streets with bright emergency lights during the night.

More than 150 firefighters wearing special masks battled the blaze at the substation, controlling the fire shortly after 5 p.m., and some power was restored to a few areas and buildings, including the World Trade Center.

The thick, acrid smoke from the fire overcame 17 firefighters and one civilian, and eight people required hospitalization.

At the height of the blackout, traffic lights were out and traffic jams turned many of the concrete canyons of the lower city into pedestrian walkways.

The blackout stranded thousands of people in elevators and on upper floors in the World Trade Center's twin towers and other skyscrapers.

Thousands of commuters walked home across the Brooklyn Bridge in near 90-degree heat or north to subway stations with working trains.

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#90226u0736 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for August 13: Purchases of 352,718 shares and sales of 510,029 shares

including 40,750 shares sold short.

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A conservative Lebanese newspaper quoting Western diplomatic sources says four Belgian hostages will be released this week. The report cites a deal between the kidnappers and the Belgian government.

Good news for the Hubble Space Telescope. NASA says the Hubble has captured clearer images than scientists had thought possible, which can be sharpened by computers. However, NASA says the instrument is still below intended ability.

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#90226u0803 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - The United States appears headed for significantly higher unemployment and little or no economic growth in the next year, according to a survey Tuesday by the Wall Street Journal.

The gloomy outlook is a startling swing from a survey just two months ago in which 35 of 40 economists polled predicted the economy would continue expanding for at least another year.

Although there were signs of economic trouble prior to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2, resulting higher oil prices prompted many economists to downgrade their outlooks, the Journal said.

Now, only 19 out of 34 who updated their midyear economic forecasts predicted another year without recession.

Most forecasters who expected an economic slump said it will be mild and short-lived, with the Federal Reserve moving to ease credit and reduce short-term interest rates as soon as clearer signs of recession appear, the Journal said.

But some analysts warned that an economic storm already has begun and that any Fed action would be too little and too late.

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#90226u0805 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (AUG. 14) UPI - Defense Minister Moshe Arens denied Tuesday that Israel had asked the United States for additional attack helicopters and fighter planes and said Israel is not helping block shipments to Iraq.

''I heard this morning that the Israeli Embassy in Washington has denied that report (of a request for additional aircraft) and I can only add my voice to that denial,'' Arens told Israel Radio. The report was broadcast by American news agencies.

Asked if Israel had asked for early delivery of previously arranged shipments of aircraft, Arens said, ''We have not put in any official requests to the United States for speeding up things or for additional supplies.''

In an interview with Israel Radio, the defense minister also said Israel is not playing a role in preventing shipments of goods from reaching Iraq.

''We are not part of that siege,'' he said.

Arens said Israel has not noticed an increase in shipments through Jordan's port of Aqaba. The Israeli port of Eilat is less than 5 miles from the Jordanian port on the Gulf of Aqaba.

The United States has vowed to prevent the export or import of goods to Iraq as part of the U.N. program of economic sanctions adopted following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2 during an oil and border dispute.

During the Persian Gulf War between Iran and Iraq, arms and goods were shipped to Aqaba and then trucked through Jordan to Iraq.

''I don't think there's been any substantial increase,'' Arens said. ''I've no doubt that the United States and the other countries that have joined it in applying economic sanctions to Iraq are fully aware of the possibility of supplies reaching Iraq through Aqaba and I suppose they will take the appropriate steps.''

Shish Dekel, captain of an Israeli yacht in Eilat, told Israel Radio that commercial ship traffic at Aqaba is normal but there appeared to be more activity on shore.

Dekel said about a dozen ships, whose nationality could not be determined, were waiting to unload. In 1982 during the Persian Gulf war as many as 90 ships were anchored outside the port, he said.

In the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip Tuesday, Palestinians demonstrated in support of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. About 200 Arabs blocked the main streets of Gaza City and burned tires, carried posters of Saddam and shouted slogans praising him. Border Police dispersed the crowd with tear gas.

Overnight, posters of Saddam appeared on Gaza walls proclaiming him a heroic leader.

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#90226u0823 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - Shipping sources in Dubai say a British frigate intercepted a Cypriot oil tanker off the Dubai coast today and questioned the crew. The sources say British personnel did NOT board the vessel and British officials deny the incident was part of a naval blockade of Iraq. Baghdad is calling the UNofficial blockade illegal.

President Bush is interrupting his vacation in Kennebunkport, Maine, today to return to Washington for two days of meetings with top advisers. The president will meet with budget and military advisers to discuss the financial impact of the largest U-S military operation since the Vietnam War.

A second International Red Cross worker has been freed by a Palestinian group in Lebanon. Elio Erriquez reportedly is heading home to Switzerland after being released to Syrian military authorities in Beirut last night.

Defense Secretary Cheney has made major cuts in the Navy's warship program. Cheney eliminated two of the one-BILLION-dollar Seawolf nuclear attack submarines and nine destroyers, all set to be built during the next four years. The cuts will save an estimated seven-BILLION dollars.

Consolidated Edison officials in New York City say it may take several days to restore power to more than one-thousand customers in lower Manhattan. Crews are working to repair an electrical substation that was damaged by a fire yesterday afternoon that left much of the financial district in the dark.

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#90226u0830 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $414.00, silver base of $5.21 and platinum price of $504.00:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$430.90	420.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	220.90	215.80
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	113.40	110.80
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	46.80	45.70
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	430.90	420.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	220.90	215.80
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	113.90	111.30
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	46.80	45.70
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	437.90	427.70
China Panda .50 troy oz.	225.50	220.30
China Panda .25 troy oz.	117.00	114.30
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	50.50	49.40
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	30.20	29.50
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	430.80	420.80
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	220.30	215.80
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	111.10	108.60
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	47.80	46.70
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	427.40	419.50
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	221.00	216.90
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	113.40	111.30
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	48.10	47.20
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	427.40	419.40
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	219.80	215.70
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	93.00	91.30

Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	48.70	47.80
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.50	24.20

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.61	$6.59
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,730	$3,710
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,600	$1,600

Platinum		
Australian Koala	530.00	529.00
Isle of Man Noble	519.00	517.00
Canada Maple Leaf	536.00	534.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90226u0845 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - South African President Frederik de Klerk is in Madagascar today, the first South African leader to visit the socialist Indian Ocean nation. Madagascar's president used to be a harsh critic of Pretoria's white minority rule... but has softened his position since de Klerk instituted reforms in February.

Firefighters in five Western states have made progress against hundreds of lightning-sparked wildfires that have burned more than 400-thousand acres. 28 major fires continue to burn over 330-thousand acres, with California the hardest hit. Army troops are helping battle the blazes.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry has dropped his affiliation with the Democratic Party and may file as an independent in time to take part in November's election. The mayor could run for re-election or seek a City Council seat. Barry was convicted last week on one of 14 federal drug and perjury charges.

Bernard Kliban, the creator of a menagerie of round-eyed, striped cartoon cats, is dead at the age of 55. Kliban's cat cartoons became a multi-Million-dollar craze, appearing on greeting cards, bed linens and calendars. Kliban died Sunday in San Francisco, nearly two weeks after heart surgery.

In Canonsburg, Pennsylvania, a 70-year-old lobster called ''Larry'' has been saved from the boiling pot, thanks to a shopper who took pity on him. Bonnie Hazen says she noticed the 10-pound lobster's ugly face pressed up against the side of a glass tank in the supermarket and decided to rescue him. Through a series of negotiations, the 16-inch-long Maine lobster was dropped in the bay at Portland Sunday by the Maine Marine Patrol. He is considered safe from future catches because he's above the maximum legal size.

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#90226u0856 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - Iraq denounced the United States' de facto blockade as illegal Tuesday and a British frigate intercepted a Cypriot oil tanker off Dubai in an apparent sign of British-U.S. resolve to block the transport of goods for Iraq.

British officials, however, denied the incident was part of a blockade.

Comments by U.S. and British officials that their governments would block ships to enforce a U.N.-sanctioned economic boycott of Iraq have split the Western world. U.N. sources said that few member states backed the move and France said its naval forces would not intercept Iraqi cargo ships at sea because such a measure would constitute an act of war.

As foreign military vessels converged on the gulf, warnings were issued to mariners to maintain ''extra vigilance'' in case of mines, used extensively in the strategic waterway during the eight-year Iraq-Iran war, shipping sources said. The warning follows the report of a suspicious vessel in the central gulf, near busy shipping lanes.

Shipping sources in Dubai, monitoring ship-to-ship radio contact, said a Royal Navy frigate intercepted a Cypriot oil tanker off the coast of Dubai Tuesday and asked the crew about the cargo and other particulars. The sources said British personnel did not board the Cypriot vessel.

Nicholas Smith, a British Ministry of Defense spokesman in London, confirmed the frigate made radio contact with the Cypriot vessel, which was allowed to continue on its way. Smith said it was normal practice for Royal Navy warships to hail passing ships on VHF radio and said it was premature to link the incident to British resolve to enforce the U.N.-sanctioned boycott.

During the eight year Iraq-Iran war, it was common practice for Anglo-American naval forces in the Persian Gulf to intercept tankers and other merchant shipping. Such incidents have not been reported since the war was suspended under a 1988 cease-fire.

In Washington, Iraqi Ambassador Mohamed Al-Mashat said Tuesday, ''The blockade is illegal.'' In an interview with NBC's ''Today,'' al-Mashat called on the international community to denounce the action, which he said had not been authorized by the United Nations.

Al-Mashat also said foreigners in Kuwait and Iraq will be allowed to go but that the process ''takes time. In due time they are going to be let free.''

There are about 2,500 Americans in Kuwait. The State Department has said it is in frequent contact with Iraq about getting the Americans out of Kuwait and Iraq, but answers from the Iraqis so far have been ''unacceptable.''

Smith said the duty of a British patrol in the gulf was to ensure freedom of navigation in the gulf's international waters and to reassure British vessels that assistance was at hand if required.

The Iraqi newspaper Al Jumhuriya, quoted by the Iraqi News Agency INA, said Tuesday that Iraq knew how to penetrate a blockade if one was imposed and would ''make (U.S.) troops taste death if they attack.''

A U.S. Embassy official in Riyadh said officials had investigated reports of Iraqi troops deserting to Saudi Arabia but had not been able to confirm the reports.

Warplanes aboard the USS Independence have been conducting nightly fighter missions over the Persian Gulf to protect the U.S. naval force dispatched to the region in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait during an oil and border dispute.

While naval forces from several countries were converging on the gulf, it was still not clear who would be in overall charge of a multinational mission or whether the vessels would act individually.

Ground troops in Saudi Arabia also were on the increase as Syria announced Monday it was sending a symbolic military force to the desert kingdom to join Egyptian troops in creating a defensive wall against a possible Iraqi attack.

The State Department estimated Monday there were 140,000 Iraqi troops in Kuwait, and unofficial reports said the United States had deployed 50,000 troops in Saudi Arabia, but the Pentagon disputed that number and said official totals would be revealed in several days.

The dispatch of Syrian forces, along with Pakistan's announcement it would also send troops, follows deployments by Egypt and Morocco. The Arab League announced at a summit last week it would form a peace-keeping force to Saudi Arabia.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, however, has sent a letter to U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar explaining that Iraq did not intend to launch a military operation against Saudi Arabia ''unless it initiates an act against Iraq.''

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#90226u0869 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

MONTREAL (AUG. 14) UPI - White protestors attacked riot gear-equipped police for the second straight day while government officials and Mohawk Indians prepared for talks to end two lengthy standoffs triggered by a golf course expansion.

The latest rioting in the town of Chateauguay by 800 young people lasted several hours Monday night after a similar protest involving 5,000 people erupted Sunday.

In the confrontation Monday, the protesters attacked riot police with tire irons, rocks and empty bottles filled with lighted gas-soaked rags, shouting, ''We want the army.'' The provincial and federal governments have refused to send in the Canadian army to deal with the standoffs.

Quebec police used teargas to quell both days of rioting in which 17 officers were injured Sunday and seven others hurt Monday. It was not known how many civilians were injured in the violence.

Police arrested 22 people on charges of carrying firearms and the obstruction of justice.

The rioters were protesting a Mohawk blockade of a major bridge access to Montreal erected in solidarity with a nearby Mohawk blockade of a golf course expansion site they claim is on their land. The golf course blockade was erected four months ago, and touched off an abortive police raid July 11 that left one officer dead.

The white protestors, frustrated with traffic delays at the blocked Montreal bridge, were also demonstrating against alleged police brutality in the Sunday confrontation.

The federal government was to appoint a negotiator to the peace talks Tuesday, but the negotiations are not scheduled to begin until 24 international observers agreed upon in a preliminary agreement arrive at the scene, government spokeswoman Helen Fisher said.

The agreement between the government and the Indians reached Sunday calls for the Mohawks to tear down the barricades and calls for observers from the International Federation of Human Rights or the United Nations as well

as the free movement of food, supplies and Indian advisers across the barricades.

Some of the observers, from Great Britain, Italy, France, Belgium and Germany, arrived Monday and six more are expected to arrive by Tuesday night.

But ''there will not be serious negotiations until the barricades come down,'' Fisher warned.

Many of the Mohawk Warriors guarding the barricade at Kanesatake and the bridge barricade are members of the Warriors Society from the troubled St. Regis Indian reserve that straddles the U.S.-Canada border near Massena, N.Y.

The St. Regis Mohawk Warriors sided with pro-gambling forces and against traditional chiefs when pro and anti-gambling factions clashed in May, leaving two dead. Canadian government officials have accused the Warriors of being criminals who are holding the reserves hostage.

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#90226u0874 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - Bipartisan budget talks will move about Sept. 5 from Capitol Hill to suburban Andrews Air Force Base, and at least one negotiator said Tuesday he plans to sleep there during the talks.

''We are offered a bed if we want it or transportation to or from (Capitol) Hill,'' Rep. Bill Frenzel, R-Minn., a budget negotiator, said in an interview. ''My guess is that eventually a lot of the deals are going to be made after sundown and I think I'm going to apply for a ''made

Frenzel said his office heard about the decision to move the talks to Andrews, about 15 miles east of Washington, from the office of House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri, chairman of the negotiations.

''Gephardt's office called and said we're meeting at Andrews Air Force Base,'' Frenzel said.

But Deborah Johns, a spokeswoman for Gephardt, said no final decisions have been made ''at this point'' about where the final round of budget talks would take place.

''We are working on arrangements and we will continue to do so and there'll be a formal statement later as to the final plans,'' Johns ''he final plans,'' Johns

A switch from Capitol Hill to a more isolated location was expected after talks broke down in a partisan stalemate last month. President Bush had even offered negotiators the use of Camp David, the presidential retreat in the Maryland mountains about 50 miles north of Washington.

The new location at Andrews, home base to Air Force One, was expected to free up negotiators from outside distractions, such as meetings with constituents and questions from reporters, who waited outside the Capitol Hill meeting rooms previously used for budget talks.

The isolated location is intended to help negotiators concentrate more fully on reaching a deficit reduction agreement by their unofficial deadline of Sept. 10, three weeks before the Oct. 1 start of fiscal year 1991.

''I think we can make the (Sept.) 10th deadline,'' Frenzel said.

Failure to reach and implement a deficit reduction agreement by Oct. 1 would result in the automatic imposition on that date of about $100 billion in spending cuts, split between defense and domestic programs.

Both sides have said they want to avoid those cuts because they would be devastating to the economy and many non-exempt federal programs.

It was not immediately known how many of the roughly two dozen administration and congressional budget negotiators, plus their staff members, would sleep at the military base.

It also was not known whether there would be briefings for reporters on the talks, or whether negotiators would remain in total isolation from the media until an agreement is reached and announced.

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TORONTO (AUG. 14) UPI - Cineplex Odeon Corp. Tuesday reported its second-quarter loss narrowed slightly to $38.4 million from $38.7 million a year ago and also said a $31.8 million deal to sell 38 theaters in the United States was in doubt.

Revenues at the company increased to $150.5 million up from $137.0 million in the second quarter of 1989.

For the first six months, Cineplex losses totaled $50.4 million, increasing substantially from a loss of $28.0 million in the year-earlier period. Revenues, however, increased to $290.2 million from $265.5 million.

Cineplex said its second-quarter loss includes $18.1 million in costs

associated with the sale of non-core business assets as part of the company's restructuring plan and banking agreements.

Box office and concession revenues both increased in the first half, up 15.7 percent and 10.6 percent, respectively, the company said, adding distribution and other revenue increasing marginally.

The movie theater chain is required to accumulate $200 million in net proceeds in 1990 to cut its massive debt. At the end of the second quarter Cineplex's long term debt totaled $479.4 million, down from $578.1 million at the end of 1989.

The sale of 38 theaters in the northwest U.S. for $31.75 million to Plitt Amusement Co. of Los Angeles appears in doubt. ''There is substantial uncertainty as to whether the transaction will close,'' the company said.

Negotiations are ongoing with Plitt Amusement, but Cineplex said it would ''pursue all available legal remedies'' if the deal was not completed. The original July 31 closing had been extended to Aug. 15.

Cineplex operates about 1,530 movie screens in 380 locations in North America. The company has sold about 400 screens in 100 locations since March.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 78.50-81.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 140.00-141.40 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 52.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $265.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.00-$115.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $476.25-$481.50; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $114.00-$122.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 288.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 77.50-87.25 c-lb.

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HURLBURT FIELD, Fla. (AUG. 14) UPI - Air Force special operations units that participated in the invasion of Grenada and Panama will join U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia, two congressman said Tuesday.

''I can't give you numbers but I was told that some of those special operations units are or will be involved,'' Sen. Bob Graham, D- la., said Tuesday in the second day of a two-day visit to Pensacola.

''We do understand that some are going to be deployed but of course troop movements are all classified,'' said Brian Keeter, a spokesman for Rep. Earl Hutto, D-Fla. ''It's not really revealed until they're in ''to, D-

Officials at Hurlburt declined to comment on their statements.

''As a matter of standard policy we don't discuss the circumstances under which we may or may not deploy our forces during exercises or contingencies,'' said Sandy Henry, a spokeswoman for Hurlburt Field.

Hurlburt Field, near Fort Walton Beach, is home of the Air Force Special Operations Command and the 1st Special Operations Wing, which traces its history to World War II when it operated behind Japanese lines in Burma.

The wing specializes in missions behind enemy lines and in night maneuvers using specially equipped helicopters and heavily armed transport-like planes.

The unit has played a key role in past conflicts involving U.S. forces.

The 1st SOW participated in ''Urgent Fury,'' the invasion of Grenada, in October-November 1983. The unit's AC-130H Spectre gunships and MC-130 Combat Talons, which carried Army Rangers, helped rescue American medical students from the Carribbean island nation.

Last December its gunships participated in the invasion of Panama. AC-130 Specter aircraft wiped out Panama's military headquarters and one of the unit's transports brought Manuel Noriega back to the United States.

But there have also been failures. The team was involved in Desert One, the ill-fated attempt in 1980 to rescue American hostages from Iran. Eight servicemen were killed when a helicopter and transport collided on the ground.

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LONDON (AUG. 14) UPI - The British consul in Kuwait renewed efforts Tuesday to retrieve the body of Douglas Croskery, a British businessman killed by Iraqi soldiers while he was trying to flee Kuwait, the Foreign Office said.

Larry Banks, consul at the British Embassy in Kuwait, Monday tried to recover the body but he was rebuffed by soldiers, compounding British anger at the shooting of 45-year-old Croskery Saturday when he stopped to help some stranded Kuwaiti travelers.

''We learned a few lessons from the bureaucratic muddle on the frontier Monday,'' said a Foreign Office spokesman. ''We hope that it has been sorted out.''

Deputy Undersecretary of State Roger Tomkys discussed the killing and concerns about the safety of Britons in Iraq and Kuwait with the Iraqi ambassador to London when he visited the Foreign Office to talk about Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's weekend statements about the Gulf crisis, officials said.

''It shows yet again that the situation is extremely dangerous, and it shows that the Iraqis are continuing to behave in a ruthless and barbarous way,'' Foreign Office Minister of State William Waldegrave said Monday in an interview with the British Broadcasting Corp.

Two other Britons were with Croskery when the shooting occurred but managed to escape across the border into Saudi Arabia, an official with the British Embassy in Riyadh said. The men, who were debriefed by

consular officials, were chased by Iraqi troops and left Croskery behind, the official said.

Croskery came from northern England and was married.

The Foreign Office said Monday it holds Iraq responsible for the safety of foreign nationals in Kuwait and Iraq, and has advised Britons in the two countries not to try to escape.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - Oil prices overall were holding relatively syable in midday trading Tuesday as traders waited for the next shoe to drop in the Middle East crisis.

On the European cash market, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - was trading at $24 a barrel, 40 cents higher than Monday.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was 42 cents higher at $26.92 a barrel.

''The market is waiting for the next shoe to drop,'' said Peter Beutel, vice president of Merrill Lynch Futures Inc. in New York.

''Prices are holding very firm,'' concurred Peter Gignoux of Shearson Lehman Hutton's London office.

Jordan's King Hussein flew to the United States in an unexpected bid to try to mediate the growing crisis triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait with Iraq denouncing the de facto U.S. blockade of its oil exports as illegal.

Jordan has continued to supply oil and other goods over the border between the two nations.

A British frigate intercepted a Cypriot oil tanker off Dubai in an apparent sign of its resolve to block the transport of goods to Iraq. British officials, however, denied the incident was part of a blockade.

France said its naval forces would not seize Iraqi cargo ships at sea because such a measure would constitute an act of war.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast cash market, prompt delivery West Texas Intermediate crude was being quoted at $26.80 a barrel, down 20 cents.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, WTI futures contracts for September

delivery were $26.65 a barrel in early afternoon trading, down from the high on the day of $27.45 a barrel.

The WTI price also was slightly lower than the $26.77 a-barrel price traded Monday before the Merc was shut down by a power station fire around 1:00 p.m. EDT.

Because of the fire, the Merc is considering Monday and Tuesday one trading day with Friday's closing being the last reference price.

Because of the fire, Merc crude trading to began at 11:00 a.m. EDT Tuesday instead of the normal 9:45 a.m.

Unleaded gasoline contracts for September delivery were being quoted at 83.60 cents a gallon on the Merc, down from the high on the day of 85.60 cents, but slightly above the 82.30 cents a gallon traded before Monday's shutdown.

Home heating oil was being quoted at 74.90 cents a gallon, considerably below its high on the day of 76.76 cents a gallon.

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MIAMI (AUG. 14) UPI - A man poisoned by a cocaine-laced malt drink began breathing spontaneously Tuesday hours before he was scheduled to be disconnected from life-support systems, hospital officials said.

It was the first time Maximo Rene Menendez, 25, who has been in a coma since drinking a contaminated bottle of Pony Malta de Bavaria July 26, had breathed on his own in the last seven days.

Menendez, who was declared brain dead Monday, was scheduled to be removed from life support Tuesday at the request of his mother, who appealed to Dade Circuit Judge Robert H. Newman to let him die.

''He cannot maintain breathing for a long time on his own, but the fact is he's taken breaths on his own and we can't disconnect someone like that,'' said Dr. Armando Bienes, a neurologist at AMI Kendall Regional Medical Center.

''It's a miracle, if there is some brain activity in this patient now after we have done all of these tests that indicated nothing,'' he said.

Doctors were scheduled to conduct tests late Tuesday to determine if the breathing was voluntary or the result of muscle spasms.

A tearful Margarita Rabaza, Menendez's mother, held out hope for her son's

recovery after learning of her son's apparent improvement, Bienes said.

All signs of brain activity had disappeared over the last few days, until this morning when Menendez's body began jerking and he began breathing, he said.

''If this is voluntary movement and not spastic, then there should be some blood flow to the brain which would indicate there is some brain stem activity,'' said Bienes.

Bienes said he did not know how long it would take to reevaluate Menendez's condition.

''We do have a court order to disconnect him from life support,'' said hospital spokeswoman Sandra Hyatt. ''However, we will not do a thing until the physicians are sure beyond a shadow of a doubt he is brain dead.''

The family, doctors, administrators and lawyers met with Newman Monday after doctor's declared Menedez brain dead. Newman issued an order allowing doctors to disconnect the life-support systems, which included a respirator, kidney dialysis machine, intravenous feeding tube and medication for controlling blood pressure.

Federal officials are still looking for the source of the cocaine. The bottle Menendez drank was purchased at a Miami supermarket. The non-lcoholic malt drink was pulled from the shelves, and the FBI later discovered 20 bottles of Pony Malta de Bavaria were contaminated with lethal doses of cocaine. Some contained 200 times the lethal dose.

Investigators believe Colombian drug traffickers were attempting to smuggle the cocaine into the United States by dissolving it in the malta, and planned to filter it out later but somehow lost track of the shipment.

The FBI, Customs Service, the Drug Enforcment Administration and the Food and Drug Administration have formed a task force to investigate. They are searching for Hugo Alfredo Rios, a Colombian man who imported the beverage through his company, Miami Sweet.

The company's warehouse has been abandoned. The malta's manufacturer, Bavaria S.A. of Bogota, Colombia, said neither Rios nor Miami Sweet was authorized to import the drink.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - The mounting tensions enveloping the Middle East, sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, have done little to disrupt the normal flow of commerce in most of the region, government and trade

officials said Tuesday.

''We don't see evidence that business has been disrupted. I have not sensed any kind of panic,'' said Don DeMarino, the Commerce Department's deputy assistant secretary for Near East Asia.

'' he said at a news conference sponsored by the National U.S.-Arab Chamber of Commerce, which represents the interests of more than 1,000 U.S. companies doing business in the Middle East.

''In the Emirates it's been pretty much business as usual,'' agreed Charles Heath, a spokesman for the Dubai Board of Trade and Tourism.

The officials said last week's invasion of Kuwait by Iraq, and the subsequent U.S.-led military response has not severely hindered business operations in Qatar, Oman, Yemen, the United Arab Emirates and most of Saudi Arabia.

Not even the thought of a multinational flotilla of warships amassing off the coast was enough to deter a group of 600 German tourists, who recently confirmed, with a substantial deposit, plans for a Dubai vacation next month, Heath said.

''We've had some cancellations from individuals but we've had no large group tours cancelled,'' he said, noting that most in-coming flights to Dubai are full and the tiny nation's airports are handling about 25 daily flights normally bound for Kuwait.

Some noticeable results of the U.S. embargo of trade with Iraq and the de facto blocade of Iraq-bound ships have raised concerns among Western business executives with projects in the region.

Shipping insurance rates are soaring, boosting the price of all imported goods and raising the price of Saudi Arabian oil shipped out of the region.

The New York Times quoted a shipping executive in Jidda, Saudi Arabia, as saying war insurance rates have risen up to 2.5 percent of the value of a cargo, from a pre-invasion rate of zero, in some regions of the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf.

Banks in the region also have experienced an increased demand for foreign currency exchanges as investors seek more stable currencies such as the German mark, the British pound and the U.S. dollar.

For the most part, though, Middle East banks have adequate liquidity, and reserves, to meet customers' needs, DeMarino said.

Work has continued at the 224 joint ventures between U.S. and Saudi companies, worth more than $3.3 billion, DeMarino said. Mobil, the giant oil concern, is the largest spender in Saudi Arabia with $1.8 billion invested in 13 joint ventures.

During the past week, paperwork on three U.S.-Saudi joint ventures, all involving production of military-related products, was hurried along, said Joseph Saba, editor the newsletter Middle East Executive Reports.

Office workers, oilfield hands and others doing business in the region appear to be staying at their jobs. ''Whatever exodous has taken place has largely occurred,'' DeMarino said. ''I don't think we'll see ''DeMarino said. ''I

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(AUG. 14) UPI - Authorities in Orlando, Florida, have arrested two Europeans accused of trying to export anti-tank missiles to Libya. Officials say a German and Spanish citizen were taken into custory this week in a federal sting operation. Authorities are refusing to reveal many details of the case... and will NOT say if any more arrests are expected.

U-S Air officials in North Carolina say they may lay off hundreds of workers in the coming months because of flat domestic growth... flagging earnings... and a sour economic outlook. U-S Air President Set Schofield revealed the prospects of layoffs during a meeting last week in Los Angeles with members of the Airline Pilots Association. The layoff could involve 211 pilots.

NASA says things may NOT be as bad with the Hubble Space Telescope as previously believed. The space agency says Hubble can capture clearer, more valuable images than scientists had thought... and that computers can be used to sharpen the pictures even more. One of Hubble's mirrors apparently was shaped incorrectly... preventing the telescope from focusing sharply.

New York Cardinal John O'Connor is defending his planned five-Million-dollar anti-abortion advertising campaign. O'Connor made his remarks in San Francisco in his capacity as chairman of the Roman Catholic Church's Bishops Committee for Pro-Life Activities. About 10 pro-choice demonstrators picketed where the weekend session was held, waving a banner that read- ''Get your rosaries out of our ovaries.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - The jury in the Central Park jogger trial, in an

apparent attmempt to piece together a chronology of violence, reheard testimony Tuesday from several victims about the time of night each was attacked by a gang of teens last spring.

A neighbor of the woman jogger who was gang-raped, beaten and left for dead in the park testified she saw the victim head for her evening run about 9 p.m. or 9:15 p.m. on April 19, 1989.

The jury, in its sixth day of deliberations, asked to rehear testimony about the times of the attacks other than the one on the female jogger. Prosecutors approximate the time of the rape between 9:25 p.m. and 9:40 p.m., making the 31-year-old investment banker the fifth of nine victims.

Antron McCray, 16, Yusef Salaam, 16, and Raymond Santanta, 15, are accused of being part of a gang of up to 30 youths who rampaged through the park, robbing and beating people. They are on trial on 13 criminal charges, including rape and attempted murder.

As the jury settled into the jury box at state Supreme Court in Manhattan, a court reporter read from thousands of pages of trial testimony.

Several of the victims - all joggers or bicyclists - were competitive athletes who registered the times of their laps by checking an illuminated clock on the side of the Newsweek building that can be seen from the south end of the park.

The victims used that information to gauge the time of their confrontations with the gang.

The first victim was a bicyclist, Michael Vigna, who said he spotted the group of teens about 9:05 p.m. north of the 102nd Street transverse. One of the teens took a swing at him as he rode by but missed, he testified.

Next was a homeless man who was beaten into unconsciousness nearby. He gave no testimony about the time of the attack.

Jerry Malone and his fiancee, Patricia Dean, were riding their tandem bicycle in the same area when they were charged by the group about 9:12 p.m., bothtestified. Dean said several youths grabbed at her and almost ripped her off the bike.

There is a gap in time until the attack on a male jogger, Robert Garner, who was forced off the northern stretch of the reservoir jogging track and punched sometime after 9:30 p.m.

Prosecutors said it was during those missing minutes that the gang jumped the woman jogger on the 102nd Street transverse, beat her senseless with a metal pipe, dragged her into the woods, raped her and left her for dead.

Prosecutors said the gang emerged from the woods in search of more victims attacking Garner and joggers David Lewis and David Goode on the reservoir jogging track.

Another jogger, John Loughlin, testified he saw the group mugging someone believed to be Garner about 9:45 p.m. Loughlin became a victim himself minutes later when the group beat him unconscious with a hunk of wood.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque cy	73	62	.22
Anchorage sy	73	55	....
Asheville pc	83	63	.04
Atlanta pc	91	71	....
Baltimore cy	90	70	.62
Billings sy	91	58	....
Birmingham hz	95	69	....
Bismarck pc	89	61	....
Boston pc	87	71	....
Brownsville pc	94	77	....
Buffalo sy	69	60	....
Burlington Vt. pc	74	62	.43
Charleston S.C.pc	86	78	....
Charlotte pc	93	72	....
Chicago sy	73	52	....
Cincinnati sy	80	59	....
Cleveland pc	75	60	....
Columbus Ohio sy	78	59	.12
Dallas pc	97	73	....
Denver pc	79	57	.01
Des Moines pc	78	62	....
Detroit sy	78	55	....
Duluth pc	73	59	....
El Paso ts	81	61	.13.
Evansville pc	81	62	....
Fargo pc	82	63	....
Hartford pc	88	67	.45
Honolulu sy	91	78	....
Houston pc	95	71	....
Indianapolis sy	-	-	....
Jackson Miss. sy	-	-	....
Jacksonville r	92	72	.05
Kansas City pc	80	62	....

Las Vegas ts	99	79	....
Little Rock pc	85	70	....
Los Angeles hz	80	67	....
Louisville pc	79	64	.13
Memphis cy	82	71	.39
Miami Beach pc	87	74	.38
Milwaukee pc	70	57	....
Minneapolis pc	76	64	....
Nashville cy	83	71	....
New Orleans sy	94	69	....
New York pc	86	66	.49
Oklahoma City pc	83	69	.41
Omaha pc	80	62	....
Orlando r	94	74	.23
Philadelphia pc	90	67	....
Phoenix cy	94	75	....
Pittsburgh sy	79	60	.74
Portland Me. pc	79	69	....
Portland Ore. pc	80	59	....
Providence pc	85	70	....
Richmond cy	91	72	....
St. Louis pc	82	64	....
Salt Lake City pc	92	64	....
San Antonio pc	94	77	....
San Diego pc	75	68	....
San Francisco cy	69	57	....
San Juan pc	87	73	....
Seattle pc	77	55	....
Spokane sy	96	63	....
Tampa ts	95	74	.60
Washington cy	91	71	1.03
Wichita pc	82	67	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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(AUG. 14) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
SALES	
Net Income (per share)	
Biocraft Labs (1st Q 6-30)	
$23,300,000	$25,628,000
$2,244,000 (.16)	$3,560,000 (.26)
BMA Corp (2nd Q)	
$29,843,000	$26,041,000
a-$3,524,000 (.34)	$1,909,000 (.20)
a-Income from continuing operations.	
Diagnostek Inc (1st Q 6-30)	
$45,090,000	$22,032,000
$2,508,000 (.11)	$1,403,000 (.08)
Elcor Corp (4th Q 6-30)	
$38,783,000	$39,545,000
d-$567,000	d-$5,973,000
d-Deficit.	
GR Foods Inc (2nd Q)	
$83,138,000	$50,662,000
$432,000 (.07)	$1,049,000 (.29)
Holnam Inc (2nd Q)	
$283,112,000	$290,294,000
d-$2,274,000	$10,067,000 (.10)
d-Deficit.	
Nord Resources (2nd Q)	
$25,416,000	$20,125,000
$663,000 (.04)	$2,305,000 (.15)
Pettibone Corp (1st Q 6-30)	
$27,871,000	$33,915,000
d-$345,000	$519,000 (.08)
d-Deficit.	

Quebecor Inc (2nd Q)
$636,400,000 $437,471,000
a-$10,085,000 (.43) $9,821,000 (.42)
a-Income from continuing operations.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Rhone-Poulenc Rorer (2nd Q)
$696,640,000 $277,032,000
d-$178,106,000 $12,402,000 (.39)
d-Deficit.

Sequa Corp (2nd Q)
$568,443,000 $482,788,000
a-$19,663,000 (1.94) $16,881,000 (1.54)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Stamford Capital (2nd Q)
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d-$2,206,000 $3,186,000 (.14)
d-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.

Starrett L S (4th Q 6-30)
$53,970,000 $47,428,000
$4,714,000 (.68) $3,907,000 (.56)

Syncor Intl (4th Q 5-31)
$35,800,000 $31,000,000
$1,149,000 (.11) d-$5,000
d-Deficit.

Tandy Brands (4th Q 6-30)
$23,594,000 $18,752,000
a-$405,000 (.06) $149,000 (.03)
a-Income from continuing operations.

TJX Cos (2nd Q 7-28)
$572,480,000 $500,267,000
a-$14,431,000 (.21) $12,859,000 (.20)
a-Income from continuing operations.

TPI Enterprises (2nd Q)
$98,696,000 $90,535,000
ad-$1,064,000 d-$1,940,000
ad-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen pc	1pm	62	17
Amsterdam c	1pm	73	23
Ankara c	3pm	78	26
Athens c	2pm	90	32
Auckland pc	12a	55	13
Beijing pc	8pm	83	28
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	81	27
Bonn cy	1pm	72	22
Brussels cy	1pm	70	21
Cairo c	2pm	89	31
Casablanca pc	12n	77	25
Copenhagen pc	1pm	74	24
Dakar pc	12n	82	28
Dublin cy	1pm	64	18
Geneva	1pm	69	21
Helsinki c	2pm	72	22
Hong Kong c	8pm	86	30
Jerusalem c	2pm	80	27
Karachi pc	5pm	85	30
Lisbon	1pm	-	-
London cy	1pm	72	22
Madrid c	1pm	88	31
Malta c	1pm	82	28
Manila cy	8pm	80	26
Moscow cy	3pm	67	20
Nairobi cy	3pm	70	21
Nassau cy	7am	84	29
New Delhi c	6pm	89	31
Nice c	1pm	80	27
Oslo cy	1pm	65	18
Paris c	1pm	76	25
Pretoria c	2pm	63	17
Riyadh	3pm	107	41
Rome pc	1pm	82	28
Seoul cy	9pm	75	24
Sofia c	2pm	81	27
Stockholm pc	1pm	71	22
Sydney c	10pm	58	14
Taipei pc	8pm	83	29
Tokyo c	9pm	85	29
Tunis c	1pm	91	33
Vienna pc	1pm	87	31

Warsaw c	1pm	81	27

Latin America			
Buenos Aires r	9am	59	15
Caracas	8am	-	-
Havana pc	7am	73	23
Lima cy	7am	59	15
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	73	23
Santiago fy	8am	42	06

Canada			
Calgary c		79	25
Edmonton cy		72	22
Montreal pc		70	21
Ottawa pc		63	17
Regina c		90	32
Toronto c		72	22
Vancouver pc		75	24
Winnipeg c		85	29

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (AUG. 14) UPI - Hungary stands to lose millions of dollars in lost exports and debt repayments because of its decision to support U.N.-mandated trade sanctions against Iraq, a government officials said Tuesday.

Hungary's trade with both Iraq and Kuwait had risen sharply in recent years before being suspended as the result of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of its tiny neighbor.

Janos Menyhart, a senior official in the Ministry for International Economic Relations, said Hungarian exports to Iraq had been expected to total nearly $30 million this year, up from $16 million in 1988, before the embargo was announced.

Exports to Kuwait totaled $40 million last year and were already nearing the $20 million mark this year, he said.

Also at stake is the balance of a $145 million loan which Iraq had promised to pay back in annual installments by 1996. Iraq was already running behind on payment of its 1990 installment of $19 million.

Since Hungarian exports to Iraq and Kuwait usually are paid for with oil deliveries, the crisis in the Gulf could also mean Budapest will have to dip into its hard currency reserves to purchase oil from other countries, government officials said.

Hungary was compelled to purchase oil from Libya and Algeria earlier this summer because of an unexpected cutback in oil deliveries from the Soviet Union.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - It's not a solid or a liquid but a slimy substance called Guk - the latest introduction from the Canadian company that brought the world Trivial Pursuit.

Betting that kids of all ages will flip for a toy that bounces, squishes, drips, oozes, splatters and solidifies, Chieftain Products Inc. of Downsview, Ontario, unveiled its ''mutant magic'' product Tuesday at a Manhattan news conference.

''Adults wonder why it does what it does and kids just like to play with it,'' said Chieftain's Director of International Operations Peter Vernon, summarizing the results of the company's test marketing.

Vernon said the main ingredient of Guk, which comes packaged as a powder that is transformed into a mysterious hybrid physical property when water is added, is starch - but he refused to reveal any more of Guk's characteristics.

Demonstrations showed that Guk, which comes in three colors, can be rolled into a solid ball, but will turn to an oozing liquid once no pressure is applied to it.

A big enough chunk of Guk can serve as a platform for skipping rope or bouncing a ball, but standing on it results in sinking.

Vernon, 29, who grew up in the toy business and was the yo-yo champion of Ontario at the age of 18, conceded Guk - true to its name - is a somewhat messy product.

But he said Guk is non-toxic and biodegradable, and is easily removed from carpet or clothing when allowed to dry.

''A mother's initial reaction to it might be, 'Oh, yuck,''' said Vernon. ''But we think word-of-mouth will support how easy it is to ''ink word-

While Chieftain first did business in the United States 10 year ago as the original licensing agent for Trivial Pursuit - now owned by Pawtucket, R.I.-based Parker Bros. - Guk marks the company's first major U.S. product introduction.

''We think the free-trade agreement between the United States and Canada will be a big help to us,'' said Vernon, who declined to say how much Guk might add to the company's current annual revenues of $14 million.

Guk, which can be stored in a plastic container or frozen for re- se, will retail for $4 to $5 for a 10-ounce box. Forty-ounce buckets of Guk will go for $15.

''One thing we've found with Guk is that the more you have, the more you want,'' said the optimistic toy maker.

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DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AUG. 14) UPI - A multi-national naval force tightened its noose around Iraq Tuesday, checking an oil tanker to verify that it was not carrying Baghdad cargo. Other suspect vessels appeared wary of venturing into international waters.

The strategy of isolating President Saddam Hussein after his Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait gained momentum, with West Germany, Italy, Spain and Belgium declaring plans to send vessels to the Mediterranean Sea to possibly assist in patrolling the seas.

Washington has dispatched 49 warships including three aircraft carriers to the region, and says it now has the military and legal authority to board vessels suspected of defying the U.N. Security Council sanction plan against Iraq. British warships are already assisting and Australian and Canadian vessels are en route.

Shipping sources in Dubai said they believed the intense naval activity in the Persian Gulf would compel Baghdad to try and break the pending blockade by having vital imports routed through Jordan's Red Sea port of Aqaba, and then taken overland to Iraq.

Reports from the Red Sea indicated warships belonging to the battle group linked to the aircraft carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower had stepped up

surveillance of merchant vessels, apparently to try and seal the back-door entry to Iraq.

''If any sanction-busting is going to go on, it will happen in the Red Sea '' one shipping source said. ''The Iraqis can have shipping manifests saying the goods are specified for Jordan, and then things can ''an, and then things can

The blockade began clicking into place with a British naval vessel by radio challenging a Cypriot oil tanker in waters off the United Arab Emirates to determine whether it was in Baghdad's service.

British officials said the move by the HMS Jupiter was routine patrol work but it followed London's Monday declaration that interceptions may be necessary to ensure a tough sanction package can bring pressure on President Saddam Hussein.

Shipping sources said two freighters moored about 2 miles outside Dubai's Port Rashid were believed to be Iraqi-owned.

The captains had not contacted UAE authorities, and were believed to be taking shelter from the formidable array of naval forces steaming around and outside the gulf, the sources said.

''They are probably taking a breather and feel they don't want to go out and get thumped,'' one source said.

The Bahrain-based Middle East Navigational Aid Services, an organization that provides nautical advice to those plying the gulf, warned vessels to avoid one region where it said a suspicious ship may have laid mines. However, shipping sources were skeptical, saying Iraq during its 8-year war against Iran demonstrated little minelaying potential.

The area that MENAS warned of was south of Qatar near a shoal and not on a major shipping route, and would involve quite a risky expedition for Iraq's forces, the sources said.

''The suspicious vessel was probably discharging its ballasts offshore, or polluting the water, or doing any one of a number of illegal things that men do at sea,'' said one source.

The sanction package has severely disrupted trade throughout the Persian Gulf, with UAE port authorities being asked to accept ships ladden with goods originally destined for Kuwait and Iraq.

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MIDDLETOWN, OH (AUG. 14) UPI - A state appellate court has reversed the public indecency conviction of a high school coach who held a meeting with some of his students wearing only a towel that later fell off.

Jack Emsuer, a physical education teacher at Preble-Shawnee High School in Preble County, met with the students in his office next to the boys' locker room and which was accessible only to male students and personnel.

The 12th Ohio District Court of Appeals held that the ordinary observer probably would not be offended by nudity in a men's locker room and concluded that the state improperly applied the public indecency statute to Emsuer's conduct.

Robert Olson, the coach's lawyer, said other physical education teachers and coaches should benefit from the case.

''If you can find a situation of somebody being guilty of nudity in a closed-off locker room where you can expect people to be changing clothes, it could extend to any locker room anywhere,'' he told The Cincinnati Enquirer in a story published Tuesday.

Emsuer was convicted in Preble County Common Pleas Court on two counts of public indecency. He was sentenced to 10 days' in jail and fined $100 on each count, with both penalties suspended if he performed 40 hours of community service.

Students who saw Emsuer naked had complained to school officials, who took the matter to police.

On both occasions when he was seen naked, it was after teaching his physical education class, when he would shower and prepare for his afternoon classes, according to court records. He was in the process of changing clothes when the students saw him naked.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
INCREASED				
Marion Merrell Dow	Q	.20	10-19	9-20
USUAL				
ABS Industries	Q	.08	10-1	9-14
BEI Electronics	Q	.02	9-3	8-24
Baldor Electric	Q	.12	9-28	9-10

Barnwell Indus	Q	.07 1/2	9-19	8-5
Broadway Financial	Q	.12	9-17	8-31
Cabot Corp	Q	.26	9-7	8-24
FPL Group	Q	.59	9-17	8-31
Fair Isaac & Co	S	.05	9-6	8-25
First Illinois	Q	.11	9-15	9-1
First Nrthrn Svgs	Q	.17	9-14	8-29
Harnischfeger Ind	Q	.05	10-8	9-24
LSI Industries	A	.05	9-14	8-31
Minnesota Mining & Mfg	Q	.73	9-12	8-24
Morton Intl	Q	.22	9-10	8-27
Trico Products	Q	.25	9-24	9-7

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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TOLEDO, OH (AUG. 14) UPI - An industrial scanner that will allow designers and enginners to peer inside dense materials without destroying them was unveiled Tuesday by the state-sponsored Edison Industrial Systems Center.

The device is an industrial version of a medical CAT scanner, or Computed Axial Tomography machine, which operates at four times the medical version's power level and allows engineers to examine internally products that otherwise would have to be disassembled or destroyed.

Charles DePew, president and chief executive officer of the Edison Center, called the development a major advance toward the state's goal of establishing a strong technological base to support industry and manufacturing.

The scanner uses X-rays to create a three-dimensional picture of the insides of an object and displays them on a computer monitor within seconds.

Unlike the medical version, which is limited by the amount of X- ays it can produce to protect humans from overexposure, DePew said the $1.3 million industrial scanner can use higher levels and achieve greater accuracy.

''We call it the world's greatest electronic bandsaw,'' said William McCroskey, president of Innovative Imaging Systems of Solon, which built the device for the Edison Center.

The device will be available for use at $250 an hour for Edison Center members and $350 an hour for non-members.

DePew said additional scanners will be built that will allow companies to tailor them to specific products and at less cost.

The system can be used to check for internal flaws in parts and to examine the internal structure of parts and assemblies.

DePew said it can be used to detect variations in tolerances during production and to identify potential safety and product liability problems.

Dr. Thomas Andrews, associate vice president of information systems at the Medical College of Ohio, said the scanner's full potential is uncertain, but open for discovery.

''Exactly how we will eventually apply this technology is unknown,'' he said during a news conference at the Edison Center.

Andrews said new uses are found for the scanner daily, including suggestions made by other members of the Edison Center, located east of the University of Toledo campus.

Founded in 1983, there are nine Edison Centers in Ohio that provide research, and develop and apply new technologies to strengthen Ohio's industrial, business and agricultural base.

The Toledo center was begun in 1987 to focus on the industrial area.

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HARTFORD, CT (AUG. 14) UPI - Sen. Joseph I. Lieberman, D-Conn., charging consumers have been ''ripped off'' by recent price hikes, proposed legislation Tuesday to subject companies to stiff penalties for price gouging.

Lieberman said his bill would set criminal penalties for companies that charged excessive prices for oil or other essential products during times of national emergencies.

''Since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait gasoline consumers have been ripped off to the tune of $200 million,'' Lieberman said at a news conference. ''None of that price increase in my view is justified.''

The bill would allow the president to declare a national economic emergency when an international or domestic crisis threatened to seriously disrupt the U.S. economy.

The president could designate gasoline, oil or other products as essential commodities and charging excessive prices for those goods could bring up

to five years in prison and $500,000 in fines.

The bill also would allow the government to seek restitution for consumers with double monetary penalties for companies found guilty of profiteering, Lieberman said.

Lieberman said he planned to introduce the bill when the Senate reconvenes after Labor Day. Other sponsors now include Sens. Richard Bryan, D-Nev., Paul Simon, D-Ill., and Larry Pressler, R-S.D.

Lieberman said he was hopeful the measure would be enacted quickly, possibly as an amendment to other legislation already before the Senate.

''This bill is not a price-control bill and it is not a tax bill,'' Lieberman said. ''It does not clamp down on the free-market system because that's not what's operating now.''

Meanwhile Tuesday, the Legislature's Energy and Public Utilities Committee continued its investigation into the gasoline and heating oil price hikes that followed the invasion of Kuwait.

Representatives of Mobil, Sun Oil and Texaco appeared before the committee which last week issued subpoenas to about a half-dozen major oil companies demanding they send officials to testify.

David Hayward, vice president for supply and transportation at Mobil, indicated further price increases were possible, saying his company has yet to recover increased costs it already has incurred.

Hayward said the price of crude oil has increased 30 cents a gallon by July 1 and ''we have not even come close to recovering that increase.''

''I can't speculate on future prices or exactly what our pricing policy is '' Hayward said. ''My advice to consumers is to follow their own instincts. To the extent that they can conserve they should conserve, to the extent they can price shop they should price shop.''

Sen. Gary A. Hale, D-Ansonia, the committee's co-chairman, said he was not pleased with the explanations the oil companies have given for the price increases.

''We're still not getting strong answers about the immediacy of the increases and the size,'' Hale said. ''I haven't heard answers yet that really explain this thing in satisfactory terms.''

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CHICAGO (AUG. 14) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.75 1/4	2.79 1/2	2.75 1/4	2.79 1/2	2.75 1/4
Dec	2.91 1/2	2.94 1/2	2.90 3/4	2.94 1/4	2.90 3/4
Mar	3.00	3.03 1/2	3.00	3.03 1/4	3.00 1/4
May	3.04 1/2	3.07 3/4	3.04 1/2	3.07 1/2	3.05
Jly	3.06	3.08 3/4	3.06	3.08	3.05
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.44 1/4	2.45 1/2	2.43 3/4	2.45 1/2	2.45 1/4
Dec	2.40	2.42 1/2	2.40	2.42 1/2	2.41 1/4
Mar	2.49	2.51 1/2	2.49	2.51 1/4	2.50
May	2.56	2.58	2.55 3/4	2.58	2.57 1/4
Jly	2.59 3/4	2.61 1/2	2.59 3/4	2.61	2.60 3/4
Sep	2.57	2.58	2.57	2.57 1/2	2.56 1/4
Dec	2.55 3/4	2.57 1/2	2.55 1/2	2.57 1/4	2.56
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.15 1/2	1.16 1/4	1.14 3/4	1.16	1.16
Dec	1.26 1/4	1.27 1/2	1.25 1/2	1.27	1.27
Mar	1.37 1/2	1.38	1.36 1/2	1.37 3/4	1.37 3/4
May	1.43	1.43	1.42 1/2	1.43	1.43 1/2
Jly	1.47 1/2	1.47 1/2	1.47 1/2	1.48	1.48 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Aug	6.01 1/2	6.10	6.01 1/2	6.10	6.03 1/4
Sep	6.06 1/2	6.15	6.05 3/4	6.14 1/2	6.08 1/2
Nov	6.17 1/2	6.26 1/2	6.17	6.25 3/4	6.19 1/2
Jan	6.28 1/2	6.38	6.28	6.37 3/4	6.31
Mar	6.38 1/2	6.49	6.38 1/2	6.49	6.40
May	6.46 1/2	6.56	6.46 1/2	6.55 3/4	6.48 1/4
Jly	6.53	6.62	6.52 1/2	6.62	6.56
Aug	6.48	6.48	6.48	6.48	6.45
Nov	6.22	6.29	6.22	6.25 1/2	6.18 3/4
Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Aug	24.75	24.77	24.61	24.78	24.76
Sep	24.58	24.65	24.46	24.59	24.63
Oct	24.63	24.74	24.55	24.66	24.71
Dec	24.73	24.89	24.62	24.83	24.80
Jan	24.86	24.95	24.80	24.91	24.90
Mar	24.98	25.08	24.90	25.03	25.02
May	25.04	25.10	24.95	25.10	25.08
Jly	25.06	25.15	24.95	25.12	25.10
Aug	25.02	25.02	24.97	24.97	24.92

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Aug	172.50	174.20	171.50	174.40	173.10
Sep	173.50	175.60	172.80	175.70	174.40
Oct	174.50	177.40	174.30	177.30	175.80
Dec	178.00	180.80	177.20	180.50	178.60
Jan	179.00	182.00	178.70	182.00	179.90
Mar	182.00	184.00	181.50	184.00	182.40
May	183.50	185.50	183.00	185.00	183.20
Jly	185.00	187.00	184.70	186.90	184.70
Aug	184.00	186.00	184.00	186.00	184.20

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Soul singer Curtis Mayfield was in critical condition Tuesday after being hit by a lighting scaffold blown down by a wind gusts at an outdoor concert.

A community leader and six concert volunteers also were injured in the collapse Monday night.

Mayfield, whose biggest hits came from the ''Superfly'' soundtrack, was about to begin performing when a gust knocked down the overhead stage lights in a park, said a state senator, Marty Markowitz, who organized the concert.

''As Mayfield was ready to come on stage an overwhelming wind hit us and blew the speakers off the stage and the lighting trusses down,'' he said. ''Some of it hit Mr. Mayfield.

''I was lucky. I was on the stage but nothing happened to me. We all rushed to the people who were hit. Some of them were knocked out. Mr. Mayfield looked pretty bad. We hope he will be fine. This was supposed to have been a comeback concert for him,'' the senator said.

Mayfield, who in 1972 wrote and performed the soundtrack of ''Superfly,'' a hit film about a Harlem cocaine dealer, told police he felt a tingling in his arms - a symptom of spine trauma.

He was in serious but stable condition Tuesday morning at Kings County Hospital, a spokeswoman said.

One other person was hospitalized and six others were treated and released.

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MOSCOW (AUG. 14) UPI - While a windfall of hard currency from higher oil prices would be welcome in the cash-strapped Soviet Union, the nation will probably be unable to capitalize on the Persian Gulf crisis.

Soviet and Western analysts said fuel shortages at home and the fact that the Soviet oil industry is already straining at capacity will keep the country from taking advantage of higher prices and increased demand on the world market.

International economic sanctions against Iraq and Moscow's cutoff of armaments will also hurt the Soviet Union, which took most payments from Iraq in petroleum that was then resold to such third countries as India and Bulgaria.

Moscow may be forced to fulfill contracts with the third countries from its own supplies - petroleum that is sorely needed within the Soviet Union for such things as bringing in the record grain harvest now in danger of rotting in the fields.

''They are hard pressed right now to meet domestic demand,'' one Western diplomat in Moscow said. ''They can't even think about increasing exports to take advantage of the prices. They were already exporting as much as they could.''

Officials at the Soviet Oil Ministry refused to be interviewed but Foreign Ministry spokesman Yuri Grimitskikh said it is too early to say if Soviet exports would decrease rather than increase in the near future.

''We have to increase our production of oil but the shortage at this stage is within our own country,'' Grimitskikh said. ''To compensate for the difficulties within the country, we reduced the supply of oil to a number of nations. We have to compensate them.''

Oil and natural gas exports comprise 75 percent to 80 percent of the Soviet Union's hard currency revenues - money that is needed to import grain, buy scarce consumer goods and pay off Western loans.

Of course, even without increased production, Soviet oil revenue will grow along as world prices rise but any benefit may be negated by other factors.

The Soviet business newspaper Commersant estimates that if oil exports were maintained at current level of about 56 million tons a year, a protracted conflict in the Persian Gulf would bring an additional $750 million by the end of 1990.

If the crisis is resolved quickly and global oil prices begin dropping in the next two months, the Soviets would earn an extra $120 million, the newspaper said.

Middle East analyst Alexei Vasilyev said the Persian Gulf crisis could have provided ''a gulp of oxygen for our ailing economy.''

''Alas, the structure of our export position appears worse now than Czarist Russia's used to be,'' Vasilyev said on Soviet television. ''Nevertheless our main income from exports comes from oil and gas and in this situation we stand to benefit by several billion dollars.

''My only hope is that our revenues will not be squandered as were the several dozen billions of dollars that the Soviet Union received after the surge in oil prices in the 1970s.''

Even without squandering, any benefit from higher oil prices will be largely offset by the loss of economic ties with Iraq.

Iraq, as part of its payment for Soviet arms, was to deliver 10 million to 11 million tons of oil to India and Bulgaria this year to fill Soviet contracts. About 7 million tons have been delivered and the Soviet Union will likely have to fill the gap from its own oil.

''Iraq was a beneficial economic partner for us,'' said Izvestia political commentator Stanislav Kondrashov. ''Economic cooperation as well as arms deliveries provided us with quite large profits, it must be admitted.''

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#90226u1024 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 14) UPI - Senator Richard Lugar sought Manila's support for Washington's military actions against Iraq Tuesday, but Filipino officials said U.S.-Philippine interests in that area ''do not coincide.''

''We don't ever expect the Philippines will support us automatically,'' Lugar, R-Ind., said after a call on President Corazon Aquino.

''We hope, obviously, that we will be working together. But (the Philippines) is a sovereign nation and the people in this county make their own judgment and that's the way it ought to be,'' Lugar said.

The senator, who arrived Sunday for a four-day visit, was accompanied by Rep. David Dreier, R-Calif., and U.S. Ambassador Nicholas Platt during the call on Aquino.

During a speech before a local Rotary Club, Lugar warned if Iraq is allowed to continue its aggression in the Middle East it will ''have a tourniquet around the throats of the United States and the Philippines for sure.''

''I think he is here to try to generate support for U.S. policy now in the Middle East, which is a very hard-line policy,'' said Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos.

''But of course the interest of the Philippines and the U.S. do not coincide,'' Ramos said.

''We have to worry first about the safety and the welfare of our hundreds of thousands of Filipino overseas workers in the Middle East,'' Ramos said.

There are about 500,000 Filipino workers, mostly domestic helpers, in the Middle East, including 60,000 in Kuwait and 5,000 in Iraq. Kuwait and Iraq also account for 25 percent of the Philippines' oil supplies.

Sen. Leticia Shahani, Ramos's sister, said Lugar also attempted to explain the U.S. action against Iraq at a breakfast meeting Tuesday with Philippine senators and congressmen at the residence of U.S. Ambassador Nicholas Platt.

Asked what the general feeling was among lawmakers, Shahani said, ''We cannot be as strong in condemning Iraq.''

Lugar declined to answer questions on whether the strategic U.S. military facilities in the Philippines including the sprawling Clark Air Base and Subic Bay naval complex were playing a role in the Persian Gulf conflict.

He said U.S. forces were being shipped to the Gulf from the United States.

Iraq's ambassador to the Philippines, Ali Sumeidi, told a news conference he hoped the Manila government would not allow the United States to use its bases in the southeast Asian nation against Iraq, adding, ''We will defend our territories and our rights against aggression.''

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(AUG. 14) UPI - A government report on July retail sales indicates that consumers are beginning to pull the reigns on spending. Retail sales last month inched ahead one-tenth of one percent, to 149 and one-half-BILLION dollars. The gain follows a revised June retail sales advance of one-point-one percent. A government spokesman says an increase in retail sales of building materials, hardware, garden supplies and home furnishings provided the strength behind the July gain.

The State Department says about 500 Americans have managed to get out of Kuwait since the Iraqi invasion. But the Voice of America is broadcasting messages warning some 25-hundred Americans left behind to stay put... at

least for now. The U-S Embassy in Baghdad also reports that the trade embargo is working and food supplies are running out in Iraq. But they say the shortages are affecting some 500 to 600 Americans trapped in the country... just like everybody else.

Iraq reportedly has seized three-BILLION to four-BILLION dollars in gold bullion, cash and other goods from Kuwaiti financial and commercial institutions since taking over the country. A New York report quotes Arab bankers in the Persian Gulf and London as saying the transfer of goods to Baghdad appreciably increased Iraq's reserves, estimated before the Iraqi invasion at six-point-five-BILLION dollars.

The Miami Herald reports that federal prosecutors are preparing a new indictment against ex-Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega to strengthen drug-trafficking charges already in place. Unidentified sources told the paper that the proposed superseding indictment would add charges based on reports of witnesses who came forward after the U-S invaded Panama last December. Prosecutors refused to comment, and one of Noriega's lawyers said he had NO information on revised charges.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 14) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Tuesday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 51-57.

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COLOMBO, SRI LANKA (AUG. 14) UPI - Assailants carrying guns, knives and swords attacked an eastern Tamil village about midnight, dragging sleeping residents from their homes and shooting or hacking to death at least 75 people, hospital sources said Tuesday.

The attack was part of a continuing wave of violence against civilians - at least 571 have been killed in the past 12 days - in the teardrop-shaped island at the southern tip of India.

Defense officials officials said rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, who have been waging a war of independence from the

Sinhalese-controlled Colombo government, are responsible for the brutal murders. More than 2,500 people have been killed since the rebels began a new offensive June 12.

Most of those shot or hacked to death Monday were were Moslem and Sinhalese Buddhist civilians, defense officials said. The rebels are fighting for a separate country for the Tamil minority, which is mostly Hindu.

Authorities said more than 92 civilians had been slain since Monday night in attacks across the north and east of the country.

Defense officials accused the Tamil Tigers of killing civilians in the east to divert the military's attention from its offensive against rebel strongholds in the north.

The worst incident late Monday took place about midnight when unidentified attackers shot and hacked to death more than 75 Tamil villagers in Chenkaladi, about 16 miles north of Batticaloa.

Details of the attack were sketchy, but hospital sources in Batticaloa said in a telephone interview that a group of men carrying guns, knives and swords entered the village in the middle of the night. They said the attackers dragged the sleeping residents from their homes and shot and hacked to death more than 75 people.

The incident apparently came in retaliation for a Tamil rebel attack before dawn Sunday against three nearby Moslem fishing villages. At least 173 residents were killed in that incident, the worst massacre by the rebels so far.

Some of the wounded in Batticaloa were later taken to hospitals in nearby Eravur and Valachenai, while residents of the predominantly Hindu village sought sanctuary in churches and temples.

''Bodies with cuts and gunshot injuries are lying on the Batticaloa-Eravur main road near the scene of the massacre,'' one hospital source said.

At least 17 other civilians were killed by Tiger rebels in a series of raids Monday and Tuesday against villages in the north and east of the country, military sources said.

The rebels, who have been fighting for an independent Tamil homeland since 1983, say the minority Tamil community needs a separate country because of years of discrimination by the majority Sinhalese.

Authorities say the Tiger rebels apparently are attacking Moslems because they have supported the government's vigorous offensive to crush the

guerrilla movement and restore control over the north and east of the country.

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PORTLAND, OR (AUG. 14) UPI - The ''peace dividend'' has vanished because of U.S. military operations in the Middle East, forestalling any deep cuts in the defense budget, Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas said.

But Dole also said Congress and the public will get increasingly nervous if U.S. troops remain in the Middle East for a lengthy period with no resolution of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Dole spoke Monday night at a $250-a-person fund-raising reception for Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., who is seeking re-election this fall. Dole also appeared at a breakfast for party VIPs Tuesday.

''The peace dividend is going to go up in smoke, because it's going to cost a lot of money for us to stay over there,'' Dole said.

The Mideast crisis also was on Dole's mind Monday during his brief remarks to about 75 people. He praised President Bush's decision to send troops to Saudi Arabia but said he hopes it doesn't result in a permanent installation of American troops in the region.

''What will it be in 30 days or 60 days or 90 days?'' Dole asked. ''Hopefully, it will be resolved. Our best option is the economic measures. We don't want this to become an occupying force.''

Dole and four other senators visited Iraq in April and met with President Saddam Hussein. Dole said he believes Saddam is not crazy, but ruthless. He has isolated himself and has little perspective on the world outside the Mideast, the senator said.

''It's up to him,'' Dole said. ''He could end it tomorrow or next week, but I don't think he will. It's going to take more economic pressure. It's quite a feat to get the whole world to turn against you, but he's done it.''

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#90226u1126 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

PORTLAND, MAINE (AUG. 14) UPI - A marketing group announced Tuesday a number of lobstermen upset about rock-bottom wholesale lobster prices plan to give about 500 pounds of the creatures away free Wednesday to soup kitchens and senior citizen centers.

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With an overabundance of supply, lobstermen upset over low prices distributed free in Beverly, Mass., Monday about a ton of lobsters to senior citizens' groups for distribution to the elderly.

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''What they are objecting to is a price so low that they really can't survive,'' Caron said. ''The price is so low that these guys lose money when they climb into their boats in the morning.''

Their problem is created in part by the lobster's shedding process, which happens at around this time each year. When they shed their old shells and develop new ones, lobsters are so weak that they cannot be shipped out of state.

Unable to be shipped, the lobsters pile up and prices plunge, Caron said.

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Last year, lobstermen charged dealers with making unreasonable profits on the lobsters, paying the lobstermen rock-bottom prices for the lobsters while keeping retail prices artificially high.

However, Caron said that lobstermen and dealers this year are in the same

boat.

''We don't have that complaint this year,'' Caron said. ''I think both the dealers and the lobstermen are working right on the edge.''

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#90226u1137 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA (AUG. 14) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves 1,500; steers and heifers steady to 25 higher; trading moderately active, demand good; cows scarce; steers choice 2-3 few 4 1100-1350 lb 77.00-78.00, 2 loads 78.25, select and choice 2-3 1050-1250 lb 76.00-77.25, select 2-3 73.00-75.50; heifers choice 2-3 few 4 1000-1150 lb 76.75-77.75, package 78.00, select and choice 2-3 950-1100 lb 74.50-77.00, select 2-3 72.00-74.50; cows boning few 55.00-57.00, canner and low cutter few 50.00-55.00.

Hogs 1,900; butchers 50 lower; No 1-3 220-260 lb 58.00-58.50, couple hundred head under 250 lb 58.75, No 1-2 200-220 lb 56.00-57.50, No 2-3 260-290 lb 56.00-57.50; sows steady to 50 lower; No 1-3 350-500 lb 51.00-51.50, instances 51.75-52.00 on 450-500 lb; No 2-3 500-650 lb mainly 53.50, extreme 54.00.

Sheep 75; slaughter spring lambs and ewes steady; spring lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb 53.00-55.00, 100-120 lb 47.00-51.00; shorn ewes cull to good 13.00-17.00.

-30- 1128

#90226u1159 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 58-61.

-30- 406

#90226u1180 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, LEBANON (AUG. 14) UPI - The Lebanese daily newspaper An-Nahar reported Tuesday that an Arab military force may be deployed around Saudi Arabia's holy shrines to counter Moslem criticism of the presence of Western forces in the kingdom.

Quoting a diplomatic source, An-Nahar said a Syrian-Egyptian-Moroccan military force ''was expected to be deployed around Saudi holy sites to foil attempts by some Islamic quarters inciting religious sensitivities over the foreign military presence in the kingdom.''

Some ranking Moslem figures in Lebanon and Europe have lashed out against the deployment of U.S. and Egyptian troops on Saudi territory, considering the move as an infringement on the holy shrines in the kingdom.

Syria and Morroco have reportedly expressed readiness to dispatch troops to Saudi Arabia to join an international force to face a possible conquest of the kingdom by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's forces.

A small Egyptian force was reported to have already taken up positions in Saudi Arabia, the world's largest oil producer.

Saddam, whose ruling Baath party advocates a secular socialist ideology, has called upon Moslems worldwide to join in a Jihad, or holy war, against the mainly-Western force in the gulf.

Since Saddam's army invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 and deployed troops along the border with Saudi Arabia, Baghdad radio has broadcast appeals to the Saudi people to topple King Fahd's regime.

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#90226u1184 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (AUG. 14) UPI - China ordered the evacuation Tuesday of several thousand Chinese living in Kuwait and demanded that Iraq assure their ''convenient and safe'' repatriation.

The government announcement, broadcast during the state-run national television news, said Beijing's ambassador in Kuwait was making arrangements for citizens' return to China.

''Because of the current situation in Kuwait, these citizens are unable to do their jobs and their lives cannot be guaranteed,'' the announcement said.

The government said it had begun an evacuation of all Chinese in Kuwait, estimating their number at ''several thousand.''

''The Chinese government has demanded that the Iraqi government provide convenient and safe measures to assure that they can depart Kuwait and return home,'' the announcement said.

Most of the Chinese are contract construction workers, but an unknown number of Chinese students also are living in Kuwait.

China's demand that Iraq guarantee a Chinese evacuation from Kuwait suggested that Beijing is standing by the policy of cautious alignment with the West that it has maintained since Iraqi troops overran tiny Kuwait Aug. 2.

Rather than stepping up its already lucrative sales of arms to Baghdad, Beijing announced an immediate suspension of arms shipments and vowed to support the U.N.-led movement to choke off Iraq's oil-driven economy.

Beijing also refrained from its usual strident denunciations of superpower involvement in Third World conflicts, saying instead that Saudi Arabia exercised a sovereign right by allowing Western troops onto its territory to thwart a possible Iraqi invasion.

-30- 1872

#90226u1187 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

SIOUX CITY, IA (AUG. 14) UPI - Peace is wonderful but residents of Sioux City are almost ready to go to war over it as the battle continues over the peace pole at City Hall.

The City Council Monday night refused a request from military veterans to remove it.

The 6-foot pole embedded in concrete proclaims ''May Peace Prevail on Earth'' in six languages. It was dedicated Sunday by a peace group called SCANNER to commemorate the 45th anniversary of the dropping of two atomic bombs on Japan at the end of World War II.

Paul Jackson, a spokesman for the veterans, said the pole amounts to an apology for using the atomic bombs on Japan.

He argues the bombs saved the lives of half a million American soldiers and sailors, the same argument used by President Harry Truman when he authorized their use in 1945.

But City Councilman David Paulsrud rebuked the veterans for their behavior during the Sunday pole dedication program, calling them ''an embarrassment'' to the community.

About 30 veterans led by Jackson drowned out speakers, including priests and ministers, and shouted ''Remember Peal Harbor'' to the crowd, which included several Japanese students from Teikyo Westmar University in nearby LeMars.

Jackson said the pole more properly belongs at a church and Mayor Bob Scott conceded that he's not sure City Hall is the proper location for it.

The American Legion may be enlisted to pressure the city to remove the pole, Jackson said.

He says America must be willing to use nuclear weapons again if it means protecting the lives of American soldiers in the Mideast against chemical weapons.

''If we have to use nuclear bombs I am totally in favor of that and I think most veterans are,'' Jackson said.

-30- 1946

#90226u1190 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

CANONSBURG, PA (AUG. 14) UPI - A 70-year-old, 10-pound lobster was saved from a supermarket raggle and is safe in the Casco Bay off the Maine Coast thanks to a shopper who took pity on him.

Bonnie Hazen said she saw the 10-pound lobster's ugly face pressed up against the side of a glass tank in a Giant Eagle store and decided to rescue him.

''He looked miserable,'' Hazen said. ''I said, 'this lobster should be in the ocean procreating,' you know, making little lobsters.''

The smaller one- to two-pound lobsters that are normal dinner fare have not yet reached sexual maturity but the shellfish Hazen dubbed ''Larry'' was ''in his prime,'' she said.

Hazen negotiated with store officials to release Larry to her custody after talking with the Jacques Cousteau Society, which promised to have the Marine Animal Coalition take him out to sea if Hazen could get the crustacean to Portland.

Hazen hooked up with Toni Leone, a Canonsburg native who was back in town for a funeral and agreed to escort the lobster back to Maine.

''I made her promise that she would not eat him,'' Hazen said. ''You know, there are a lot of crackpots out there.''

Leone, an animal lover and dog trainer by profession, gave her word for safe passage.

''Somebody like that, you have to respect,'' she said of Larry. ''If he has made it this long in the water - 70 to 100 years - he deserves to go back.''

Giant Eagle put Larry in a plastic foam container packed with ice and

draped lettuce leaves over him for the flight. USAir provided a free first-class seat to Portland.

The 16-inch-long lobster was dropped in the bay Sunday by the Maine Marine Patrol. He is considered safe from future catches because he is above the maximum legal size.

Giant Eagle, which had planned to auction and boil Larry in hot water, will not be using giant lobsters for future promotional sideshows.

''Evidently, there is a sensitivity we did not recognize,'' said Joseph Faccenda, senior vice president for merchandising.

-30- 2234

#90226u1192 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 14) UPI - Fourteen-year-old Collin Boatright became a national hero five years ago after rescuing an 11-year-old neighbor from a rapist, earning a telephone call from President Ronald Reagan.

Now 19, unemployed and a high school dropout, Boatright says his life has been on a downward spiral ever since, culminating recently when he was shot in the chest.

''Life has been hell since I became a hero,'' Boatright said. ''Other kids treat me differently, like dirt. They want me to fight when I don't want to fight,'' he said Monday.

''It's hell because nothing is going my way,'' he said during an interview with the Detroit News at his aunt's home. ''Every time I try to do something, nothing works out.''

Boatright was to undergo surgery Tuesday to remove a bullet lodged in his chest. He said he was wounded Aug. 4 when he was shot by his girlfriend's ex-boyfriend. He was allowed to recuperate at home pending surgery to remove the bullet, lodged two inches from his spine.

''I was lucky,'' he said. ''About as lucky as I was when I chased that guy five years ago and he didn't swat me.''

As a seventh-grader on Feb. 24, 1985, Boatright's life changed dramatically as he delivered newspapers to his 40 customers. As he passed an abandoned house, he heard a girl crying from an upper floor. He ran across the street and asked a woman to call the police. The woman gave him a large stick about the size of a baseball bat.

The next few moments still haunt the young man.

''Sometimes, when I'm about to fall asleep at night, I'll find myself on the stairway and see that guy coming down,'' he said. ''I watch myself jump off the porch as he comes outside, pulling up his pants, and I hear myself screaming at him and following him and waving that big stick until the cops come.''

Neighbors who witnessed Boatright's daring act praised the 5-foot, 130-pound youth for standing up to the 6-foot-2, 220-pound man. The man was arrested, convicted and sent to prison.

Boatright received the Badge of Courage, a $500 U.S. Savings Bond, a plaque from the Michigan Association of Police, a resolution recognizing his bravery from the Detroit City Council and a proclamation from Wayne County.

But he soon became the target of taunts by schoolmates who sarcastically called him ''my hero,'' he said. Often the result was fistfights and he was expelled from school for excessive fighting. He joined the Job Corps in Illinois, then returned to Detroit and a succession of low-paying jobs.

After his surgery, he said he wants a ''normal life, a normal job, a normal car and my own normal home. If I can ever get a solid job, I'll be straight.''

-30- 2870

#90226u1195 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - In a repeat performance of the summer ''repeat wars,'' NBC's ''Cheers'' and CBS's ''60 Minutes'' once again commanded the top two spots in the ratings, it was reported Tuesday.

NBC had a slight edge with the most shows in the top 10 of the weekly Nielsen ratings - four - followed by CBS with three and ABC with two. Fox had one with the ''The Simpsons'' in 10th place.

NBC's ''Unsolved Mysteries'' was alone at No. 3 this week, compared with its five-way tie for third place in the previous ratings period. The show posted 14 rating and a 28 share, its best showing since the week of June 6 when it posted a 29 share.

Three-way ties surfaced for fourth and seventh places - with shows from three different network in those slots. In fourth place were NBC's ''Empty Nest,'' CBS's ''Murphy Brown'' and ABC's ''Roseanne.''

In seventh place were NBC's ''A Different World,'' CBS's ''Designing Women'' and ABC's ''America's Funniest Home Videos.''

In the weekly network competition, it was NBC in first place with a 9.6

rating and an 18 share, ABC in second with a 9.3 rating and an 18 share and CBS in third with a 9.2 rating and a 17 share.

The night-by-night race showed NBC capturing Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday nights. CBS won Monday and Sunday nights and ABC won Friday.

Fox's ''Married...With Children'' dropped to an 11th-place tie with NBC's ''Golden Girls,'' compared with its five-way tie for third place in the previous ratings period.

Missing again from the top 10 was NBC's ''Cosby Show,'' in 13th place, down from its tie for 11th place a week ago.

''Real Life with Jane Pauley'' and ''Face to Face with Connie Chung'' had their own face-off and an interesting tie for 23rd place, along with an original broadcast of NBC's TV movie ''Hiroshima, Out of the Ashes,'' which was the top-rated television movie for the week.

CBS took the Sunday night movie race, with ''Escape from Sorbibor'' in 26th place. The James Bond movie on ABC, ''For Your Eyes Only,'' tied for 27th place with ABC's Aug. 10 premiere of ''New Attitude.'' Part one of the miniseries ''The Two Mrs. Grenvilles'' on NBC was in 57th place.

The new ABC comedy series ''New Attitude'' tied for 27th place with the ABC Sunday night movie when it premiered Aug. 10 in its regular time period at 9:30 p.m. Ironically, a Aug. 8 special broadcast to introduce the series finished in 52nd place.

ABC's ''World News Tonight'' rolled over the competition in the weekly news standings with a 10.6 rating and a 22 share, outpacing ''The CBS Evening News'' with Dan Rather with a 9.8 rating and a 19 share, and ''NBC Nightly News'' with Tom Brokaw with an 8.9 rating and a 19 share.

The three major networks' combined share in news, however - 60 - was the highest since the week of Jan. 1.

In the 47-week season-to-date competition, NBC has a 13.1 rating and a 23 share, followed by ABC with an 11.8 rating and a 20 share, and CBS with an 11.2 rating and a 19 share.

Each ratings point represents about 921,000 households. A share is the percentage of TV sets in use that are tuned to a particular show or network.

The top programs for the week ending Sunday, Aug. 12, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., were:

1. Cheers (NBC)

2. 60 Minutes (CBS)
3. Unsolved Mysteries (NBC)
4. (tie) Empty Nest (NBC)
   Murphy Brown (CBS)
   Roseanne (ABC)
7. (tie) Different World (NBC)
   Designing Women (CBS)
   America's Funniest Home Videos (ABC)
10. The Simpsons (Fox)

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#90226u1201 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 14) UPI - Iraq's invasion of Kuwait may strike deep into the heart of the U-S economy. A new Wall Street Journal poll says that in light of the Middle East crisis, many economists say the United States probably is headed for significantly higher unemployment and little or NO economic growth. The gloomy outlook is a startling swing from a survey just two months ago in which 35 of 40 economists polled predicted the economy would continue to expand for at least another year.

The Texas Civil Liberties Union wants a state prison board vice chairman and a human services board member to resign for joining an ''inmate hunt'' dog training exercise last year. Board of Justice member Jerry Hodge says he saw nothing wrong in participating in the hunt, but it probably was in bad taste to have jackets made that read, ''The Ultimate Hunt.'' Prison officials say the inmates are all volunteers and have long been used to train tracking dogs.

A group of South Korean dissidents were barred from the truce village of Panmunjom today for private contacts with North Koreans. Police arrested four dissidents when they entered the U-S Military Command with a letter demanding that the village be opened for visits. Dissidents vow to try again tomorrow to reach the village, 35 miles north of Seoul, to join North Koreans marking the 45th anniversary of Korean liberation from Japanese colonial rule.

-30- 1575
#90226u1203 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 14) UPI - The Commerce Department reports a strong showing for retail sales in July. It says sales edged up one-tenth of a percent last month, a rise attributed to the strength of building materials, home furnishings and mobile homes. The small gain follows a revised one-point-one increase in June.

The New York Times says Iraq has from three-BILLION to four-BILLION dollars in cash, gold bullion and military and civilian goods taken from

Kuwaiti financial institutions since the invasion of Kuwait. The paper quotes Arab bankers as saying the transfer of goods significantly increases Iraqi financial reserves. The reserves were about six and one-half-BILLION dollars before the invasion two weeks ago.

Tokyo's foreign ministry says President Bush asked Japan to step up economic assistance to Persian Gulf nations hurt by sanctions against Iraq. Foreign ministry officials say Japanese Prime Minister Kaifu promised to study measures to aid those Middle East nations and do whatever he can.

A published report in Paris says the French government gave the United States vital classified data about French-made weapons in the Iraqi arsenal. A report quotes unnamed sources as saying the information may provide a significant advantage to Western forces trying to neutralize Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's military moves.

Federal prosecutors reportedly are preparing new charges against Manuel Noriega to strengthen their cocaine-trafficking case against the ousted Panamanian leader. A published report quotes unidentified sources as saying the new indictment would add charges based on the testimony of witnesses who have come forward since Noreiga was toppled in December.

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#90226u1211 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - A good portion of the West still is aflame as exhausted crews continue their battle to put out 28 major wildfires that have helped scorch some 400-thousand acres of land in the past couple of weeks. Fire officials say they are just beginning to get the upper hand. A major victory was reported in Oregon with the containment of a nearly 74-thousand-acre blaze.

A large part of New York's lower Manhattan is in the dark a second day today, as Consolidated Edison workers try to fix an electrical sub-station damaged by fire yesterday. Full power may NOT be restored for several days. Officials say the subways are back in service on emergency power, but the outage continues to affect 11-hundred customers, many of them large businesses.

More than two dozen exchange students from Zaire have taken over the Zairean Embassy in Beijing, China. The students are protesting their government's alleged refusal to pay them allowances and give them air tickets home. Zaire's ambassador to China says the students have taken diplomats inside the mission hostage until their demands are met.

The international search is on for a half-Million-dollar Georgia O'Keeffe oil painting that the Art Institute of Chicago admitted today has been

missing from its permanent collection for 20 years. Institute Director James Woods says he was forced to declare ''East River from Shelton'' missing after it did NOT turn up in a recent inventory.

-30- 1615

#90226u1372 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - Soul singer Curtis Mayfield is listed in critical condition this morning after being hit last night by a lighting scaffold blown down by a strong wind gust at an outdoor concert in Brooklyn. A community leader and six concert volunteers also were injured in the collapse. A concert organizer says Mayfield was about to begin performing when he was hit by the stage lights.

A boy hero who five years ago saved an 11-year-old girl in Detroit from a rapist says his life has gone downhill since then. Collin Boatright... who's now 19 and an unemployed high school dropout... will undergo surgery today after being shot in the chest by his girlfriend's ex-boyfriend. He says that ever since he became a hero by clubbing a would-be rapist, he's been the target of school bullies.

Guards in a San Antonio, Texas, courtroom were shocked when an inmate tore off his clothes and jumped on the judge's bench, holding guards at bay with a gavel. NO judge was in the courtroom at the time. Officials say the nude inmate announced that he was the judge and ordered everyone to leave the courtroom. Guards subdued the man and returned him to jail for mental evaluation.

-30- 1336

#90226u1393 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - Jordan's King Hussein may take center stage to mediate the Middle East crisis. Hussein already is on his way to Washington after setting a special meeting with President Bush. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says Hussein's request came after the Arab leader... who has openly supported Iraq... met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad yesterday. Jordanian sources say the king might be carrying a new Iraqi proposal aimed at ending the Persian Gulf showdown.

The U-N appears to be on unsteady ground when it comes to supporting the U-S-British decision to use force... if necessary... to stop cargo ships travelling to or from Iraq. U-N sources say few nations approve of the controversial move to enforce the ordered trade embargo. France said today its ships would NOT seize Iraqi vessels because such a move would constitute an act of war.

Robert Dole says Americans wondering where the peace dividend stands should know that it just left... for the Middle East. The Senate

Republican leader from Kansas says any defense money saved from the end of the Cold War is being sunk into America's new Middle East military presence. Dole says Congress will NO doubt get increasingly antsy about paying for the Persian Gulf operation if it drags out much longer.

Two military aircraft collided off the east coast of Britain today. The Civil Aviation Authority in London says one of the planes was a Royal Air Force Tornado fighter jet on a routine training mission from a base in West Germany and the other one also is believed to have been British. Two men rescued at the scene were flown by helicopter to a nearby hospital.

-30- 1835

#90226u1407 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - White protesters rioted for a second night in Quebec against an Indian blockade of a bridge near Montreal. The blockade is set up in sympathy with nearby Mohawks fighting a proposed golf course expansion on what they claim is Indian ground. Talks to resolve the dispute won't begin until international observers arrive.

Five-thousand East German farmers demonstrated today in front of West Berlin's Reichstag to protest what they charge are low subsidies for East Germany's agricultural sector. Union leaders said the East German government has brought the economy to near ruin. Farmers face record surpluses.

Some analysts are praising the resilience of the economy after a government report today showing retail sales up for the second straight month. Sales inched up one-tenth of one percent in July. That follows a surprise revision for June to a one-point-one percent increase... despite signs of a recession.

Police near Fort Lauderdale, Florida, say a 17-year-old boy has been charged with murder after accidentally shooting a pregant 12-year- ld whose unborn baby died. Detectives say the suspect yesterday ''playfully'' threatened the girl to give him five cents... and the gun ''n

A lobster marketing group announced today that lobster trappers upset about rock-bottom wholesale lobster prices plan to give about 500 pounds of the creatures away free to soup kitchens and senior citizen centers. The Maine Lobster Marketing Group says the move proves that trappers would rather give their catch away rather than sell them at such lousy prices.

-30- 1825

#90226u1501 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Gold futures closed 790 to 820 points higher

Tuesday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	404.00	413.50	403.00	404.80	396.90
Sep	414.00	414.00	406.70	406.70	398.90
Oct	416.00	420.00	407.00	409.20	401.20
Dec	411.00	424.70	411.00	414.00	405.90
Feb	416.50	429.00	416.00	418.40	410.30
Apr	419.00	431.50	419.00	422.50	414.40
Jun	429.00	436.00	426.90	426.90	418.80
Aug	430.00	438.00	430.00	431.10	423.00
Oct	437.00	445.50	435.00	435.90	427.80
Dec	441.00	443.00	440.50	440.70	432.60
Feb	448.50	448.50	445.80	445.80	437.70
Apr	447.60	....	....	450.70	442.50

Open interest was not available from the exchange

Estimated sales: 70,000 contracts.
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Previous closes are from last Friday.

The Comex reports that Tuesday's trading activity was a continuation of Monday's shortened day, when a fire at an electrical substation cut power and forced the early closing of the exchange.

-30- 1240
#90226u1506 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic (AUG. 14) UPI - A 48-hour general strike that has paralyzed the Dominican Republic and cost at least four lives may be extended if the government fails to stop violence against protesters, the organizing comittee said Tuesday.

''So far, four deaths have been provoked by bullets of the national army '' said Mariano Negron, a spokesman for the strike's organizing committee. All four killed were students of 18 years old or under.

Police said that at least 10 people have been wounded, including one striker identified only as Ruben. ''There are other wounded, but we don't have their names,'' police said.

Negron said demonstrators have maintained a peaceful strike, but claimed

newly re-elected President Joaquin Balaguer has acted in a repressive manner.

The strike - called to protest the government's so-called Economic Solidarity Pact and price increases for basic goods - has virtually paralyzed commercial activity in the capital and other major cities.

The island has been plagued with looting since Monday when the strike began, as people cleaned-out grocery stores and businesses.

''If this situation continues, this successful strike could become radical and could be extended,'' the strike organizing committee said in a written statement.

Balaguer, who will start his second consecutive four-year term on Thursday had warned the army would be called out to quell any violence during the strike, which organizers said was planned as a peaceful protest.

The strike organizing comittee called on the government to set free all protesters who have been detained by authorities during the strike. Police and the strike organizing committee said over 1,000 people have been arrested, mostly in the capital and other major cities.

Demands of the strikers include a 150 percent wage hike for workers and a monthly salary for professionals of at least 5,000 pesos, equivalent to $475. Professionals now make about $200 a month in Dominican Republic.

Last week, Balaguer increased prices for basic goods. He also raised wages by 30 percent for public employees, who were getting an average of $60 a month.

Juan Jose Arteaga, an advisor to Balaguer, said that the economic measures will be maintained.

''The economic adjustments made by the government will not change despite the strike,'' Arteaga said.

In major cities on Monday, security forces clashed with demonstrators protesting the new economic measures. Youths burned tires in the capital, where the streets were littered with stones and garbage thrown by protesters. Several homemade bombs could also be heard exploding.

Government officials have said the strike was politically motivated and that economic measures - which include increases in the price of gasoline, flour and sugar - are irreversible.

The strike is backed by the Dominican Republic's nine union organizations as well as former President Juan Bosch's Dominican Liberation Party and

the Dominican Revolutionary Party, led by Jose Francisco Pena Gomez.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	400.06	245.41	135.80	25.74	338.84
Opening	399.85	247.42	135.65	25.72	338.69
11 a.m.	398.96	246.60	135.41	25.65	337.93
Noon	399.17	246.84	135.21	25.67	338.04
1 p.m.	400.61	247.38	135.67	25.75	339.23
2 p.m.	401.19	247.30	135.89	25.78	339.70
3 p.m.	401.54	246.25	136.10	25.82	340.01

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A BASE IN SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 14) UPI - A 26-year-old Saudi sergeant had this advice for his new American allies: ''Keep the flaps of your tent open.''

''God willing, they will get used to the heat soon,'' said the stocky sergeant, sweat running down his face into a thick black beard.

He and his men stood outside a cloth tent, white on the outside and a festive yellow inside. They slept on colorful woven rugs and made strong coffee in silver-colored pots.

About 50 yards away on the Persian Gulf, American soldiers from the 82nd Airborne had their own tent. The soldiers from both sides were guarding a Saudi naval base.

In other parts of the country, the soldiers from the two armies were separated but here on the coast they began combined operations Tuesday.

''This is the first day and we are getting to know each other,'' the Saudi sergeant said, speaking through an interpreter.

The American platoon was getting to know both the Saudis and what it was like to live in the desert.

''They could put us up in air-conditioned buldings,'' said the platoon's medic, a 24-year-old from Hollywood, Fla. ''But then if we have to fight people used to this we're not going to last very long.''

The medic said his biggest problem is the gung-ho types in his platoon.

''We've got some pretty hard-charging studs here,' he said. ''They push pretty hard. But that's their job. They're mavericks.''

He said a number of the men sufferd from the heat by not drinking enough water and not eating as they should.

''I'm like their mother,'' he said. ''It's my job to see that they eat and if you see a guy with two full canteens you know he's not drinking.''

Temperatures were well above 100 degrees by mid-afternoon and U.S. troops are being told to drink at least six gallons of water a day.

The medic said he had treated many troops with intravenous injections of a nutrient-ladden fluid. Symptoms of heat exhaustion, he said, are headaches and blurred vision.

The Saudis, accustomed to living in the desert, had the more comfortable looking of the two tents. The Americans simply had their gear strewn on the sand inside.

Between the tents was an area flanked by buried wooden packing crates with two 25-foot pieces of canvas inside. The Saudis asked the Americans not to step there because that is where they face Mecca and pray five times a day.

''Some of us speak a little English. Or we use Arabic, but mostly it's sign language. We talk about whatever comes to mind,'' the Saudi sergeant said.

''The Americans are good soldiers,'' he said. Asked if the Americans are also good people, the Saudi replied. ''So far so good. We are still getting to know them.''

The sergeant, married with three children, said his family is worried about him being so close to the border with Kuwait. ''It is natural for relatives to be afraid, but it is my job,'' he said.

The Saudi government worried about its soldiers having contact with the Americans, fearing exposure to American values and customs would weaken the Saudi's strict Islamic code.

The Americans were briefed by their commanders and told to be extra sensitive not to offend their hosts, whose customs are quite different. Soldiers, for example, were told not to show the soles of their feet because it is regarded as an insult here.

''We worry about drugs and alcohol and there is none here,'' said a Saudi military official. ''We don't care if you eat with your left hand. If you

asked, 'Why do you keep your women locked in the house?'' then we might be offended,'' he said.

An American crewman of a Blackhawk helicopter pointed to his chest and asked another Saudi official, Abndel Al-Jubeir, ''What do the Saudi Arabians think about us being here?''

Al-Jubneir replied, ''They were calling our government and saying ''Why don't you let the Americans in? Who gives a damn about the Arab opinion?''

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#90226u1568 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

AMMAN, JORDAN (AUG. 14) UPI - Jordan Tuesday stepped up military preparedness in the capital, dividing Amman into tiny civil defense zones and hastening the training of civilians in use of weapons.

The government also announced Tuesday that it had manufactured gas masks, which will be sold as soon as the masks are fully tested.

As King Hussein set off for the United States Tuesday in an attempt to mediate between Baghdad and Washington, there were reports the government would soon ask the United Nations Security Council to exempt Jordan from U.N. trade sanctions against Iraq or at least to lighten Jordan's responsibility with respect to the sanctions.

A cut in trade with Baghdad would seriously impair the Jordanian economy, which is already in the deepest economic crisis in its history. Fully 90 percent of Jordan's oil imports are from Iraq, and 50 percent of total exports go to Iraq.

''Jordan is not defying the international order,'' Information Minister Ibrahim Ezzidin said Tuesday. ''We respect and adhere to U.N. resolutions, but we are ... looking into means and ways of imposing the sanctions without being hurt,'' he said.

''The international community has not assessed the impact of this step ... on Jordan,'' a Jordanian economist in Amman said Tuesday. ''Jordan has already started to feel the impact of imposing sanctions against Iraq on its own economy.''

Col. Afif al-Ghoul, head of the Jordan's civil defense department, said that citizens have been urged to build bomb shelters that the army has trained 17,000 civilians in the use of ''modern arms and weapons'' and was planning to train many more.

The capital, has been divided into 20 civil defense zones, al-Ghoul said. These zones and each Jordanian village will soon open centers to train

Jordanians in civil defense and first aid, he said.

Al-Ghoul appealed to Jordanians not to hoard food, saying the government had stockpiled sufficient supplies. He also asked them to conserve water.

Well-attended rallies in support of Iraq took place along the length and breadth of the nation Tuesday.

Many ordinary Jordanians said Tuesday they feel that war is coming - if not against Jordan, then affecting Jordan as a result of international military action against Iraq. Throughout the day, Jordan Radio broadcast national and patriotic songs.

Border officials said more than 200 foreigners had entered Jordan across the Iraqi border Tuesday. No Americans were reported among them. The officials said thousands of people are on the Iraqi side waiting to cross.

Over the past two days, 45 Yugoslavs, 350 Jordanians, 490 Egyptians, 293 Yemenis, 41 Sudanese, 140 Lebanese, 4 Syrians, 6 Somalians, 1 Algerian, 14 Pakistanis, 7 Indians, 89 Saudis, 92 Philipines, 56 Thai, 15 Czeckoslovakians, 2 Omanis, 1 Afghani, 1 Tunisian and 10 Turks arrived from Iraq, border officials told UPI.

Food shipments from Jordan to Iraq, where supplies are said to be running short, reportedly have increased significantly in recent days, although government sources will not confirm this.

An eyewitness at the border city of Ruweished said he has watched commercial trucks and oil trucks crossing the border in both directions about every five minutes. Border officials described this as normal commercial traffic.

Deterioration in business and trade as a result of sanctions is already felt in Jordan, especially at the port of Aqaba, an Aqaba businessman told UPI. He said ship operators appear to be afraid to dock, worrying they might be stuck in port or affected by instability in the region.

Unemployment in Jordan is 16 percent, and a Jordanian economist projects that the unemployment rate jump another 12.5 percent if Jordan observes the U.N. sanctions.

More than 300,000 Jordanians work outside the country in gulf nations, and panic in the government was clearly observable when Saudi King Fahd sent a message to Jordan's King Hussein threatening to deport Jordanians.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - Even when they're out in the broiling heat of the Saudi Arabian desert the Army has square meals for the troops, albeit tinned food that has a three-year shelf life.

Although the Pentagon will not disclose how many troops are being dispatched to the Middle Eastern nation to help protect against any Iraqi move, in a typical military exercise individual units send out one mobile field kitchen for every 300 soldiers.

A spokeswoman for the Army Logistics Center at Fort Lee, Va., said in an interview that troops also are equipped with reverse osmosis water purification bladders that can turn out up to 3,000 gallons per hour of fresh water from stocks of salt water or brackish water. The gear will supplement supplies drawn from the Saudis.

In the arid Saudi interior the Army is recommending that soldiers drink six gallons of water a day to avoid dehydration, replacing what they sweat away and what is lost by hot dry air sapping water from the body through the lungs.

And officials estimate that overall they must produce 20 gallons a day per soldier, with the rest used in cooking, personal hygiene, washing clothes and simply being poured over the head to cool off.

Commanders try to keep the mobile kitchens as close as possible to the troops, and if troops cannot hike in for meals, the food is packed into insulated containers and taken out by pickup truck to the troops.

And when even that is impossible, said center spokeswoman Joy Whitmore, the soldiers can reach into their packs and pull out the newest in field rations, the ''meal, ready-to-eat.'' The MRE is a vacuum packed meal with an entre, dessert, assorted condiments and the like. They are high in calories - 3,600 per package - to provide culinary fuel for a soldier in battle, and can be warmed in hot water to make them tastier. But a steady diet of the MREs can tax the taste buds.

The food packs also have brand name candy snacks, peanut butter and crackers and cheese spread and crackers, drink mixes, instant coffee and matches.

Soldiers are sent into the field with three days of MRE meals tucked in their packs, with the heavier hot food service following behind in early supply shipments.

''The basic scenario is the soldier is given MREs until the rest of the T-rations and everything else catches up,'' said Whitmore.

The tins of cooked food, which are reheated in water in the field kitchens

have a variety of meals such as chicken cacciatori and beef tips with gravy and barbecue. Other tins provide potatoes, rice or macaroni, and still more offer various vegetables. Those meals, known as T-rations, can be kept on the shelf up to three years and a heated but unopened tin can be reheated safely once.

When fresh food can be shipped in or bought from the local economy, the Army bills the meals as A-rations. And the kitchens also can serve up what are known as B-rations, canned items and dehydrated food that can be reconstituted and dished out.

Typically, the military stockpiles equipment, including food, on ships and in depots near potential hot spots. Much of the initial foodstuffs for the troops is expected to come from stores on the Indian Ocean island of Diego Garcia and supply ships permanently stationed in the region.

The field kitchens are in fact trailers that fold up and can be towed behind a 2 1/2-ton or 5-ton truck.

When unfolded and set up, four cooks and a supervisor warm and serve the food, with soldiers walking around the exterior on a horseshoe-shaped catwalk picking up disposable utensils, a plate of food and grabbing a cup of chocolate or white milk that does not need refrigeration, or coffee or tea.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold			
London			
Previous close fix	404.75	up 13.50	
Morning fixing	411.00	up 6.25	
Afternoon fixing	411.50	up 6.75	
Close	409.875	up 5.125	
Paris	418.51	up 13.41	
Zurich	412.00	up 8.00	
Hong Kong	411.00	up 12.00	
New York			
Comex spot close	404.80	up 7.90	from last Friday's settlement
Republic cash	405.00	up 0.50	
Handy and Harman	411.50	up 7.20	

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 412.85 up 7.21 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 433.49 up 7.57 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	5.191	up	0.222 from last Friday's settlement
Republic cash	5.21	up	0.05

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 5.22 per fine ounce up 0.08

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 5.23 up 0.08 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.596 up 0.085

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 507.00 up 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 607.00 up 2.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 119.00 up 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 134.00 up 2.00.

The Comex reports that Tuesday's trading activity was a continuation of Monday's shortened day, when a fire at an electrical substation cut power and forced the early closing of the exchange.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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(AUG. 14) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $30 to $36 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.35 to 1.75 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.85 to 1.65 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.28 to 2 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $7.80 to $8.20 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $6.20 to $6.50 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.10 to 1.65 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 22.1 to 25.3 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.025 to 0.029 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 25 to 29 points higher. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.48	10.98	10.46	10.78	10.49
Mar	10.35	10.80	10.33	10.65	10.38
May	10.37	10.85	10.35	10.64	10.39
Jly	10.38	10.75	10.37	10.65	10.39
Oct	10.49	10.90	10.49	10.75	10.50

Estimated sales: 21,592 contracts

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.97

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 15 points higher to 8 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.45	23.45	23.36	23.37	23.45
Jan	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.17
Mar	23.13	23.15	23.13	23.13	23.12
May	23.16	23.16	23.15	23.15	23.15
Jly	23.17	23.17	23.15	23.15	23.00
Sep	23.16	23.16	23.15	23.15	23.00
Nov	22.96	22.96	22.96	22.96	22.98

Estimated sales: 145 contracts

Open interest was not available from the exchange

Previous closes are from last Friday.

The CS&CE reports that Tuesday's trading activity was a continuation of Monday's shortened day, when a fire at an electrical substation cut power and forced the early closing of the exchange.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 14) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.74 1/2-2.84 1/2 up 4 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.08 3/4-6.10 up 6 1/4-6 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.43 1/2-2.50 1/2 up 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.59 1/2-2.60 1/2 up 1/4.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Slightly higher in sluggish trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Slightly higher in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed slightly higher in thin trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Dollar - Slightly lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn was up 1/4 to 1 1/4, soybeans up 2 1/2 to 9, wheat up 2 1/2 to 4 1/4 and oats unchanged to off 1/2.

Cattle Trade - Steady to 25 cents higher; top $78.25.

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#90226u1610 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (AUG. 14) UPI - U.S. officials in Arab countries are trying to calm the fears of American workers worried about possible Iraqi chemical attacks should the Persian Gulf crisis take a turn for the worse, diplomats in the region said Tuesday.

U.S. missions in Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates and Qatar have set up hotlines and given pep talks to ease the tension.

American consular officers have also activated ''word networks'' to let U.S. nationals have reliable news in case of evacuation.

''Our concern is more with preventing panic because of a lack of information,'' one Gulf-based U.S. envoy told United Press International in a telephone interview.

He said local English-language media had for the most part failed to mention Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait until four days after it had taken place, prompting Americans to flood U.S. missions with calls seeking reliable information.

''One of the things many people were concerned about were reports that Iraq was preparing to use chemical weapons,'' the envoy said.

Americans in Saudi Arabia, where some 28,000 U.S. civilians work, said U.S. consular officials informed them the danger from Iraqi chemical weapons was not as great as it was being made out to be.

Kleiner said he heard rumors that Iraq planned to use a jelly-like chemical weapon to cover Saudi oil fields, including Aramco's Dahram oil-town compound, which is home to some 5,000 Americans in a vulnerable eastern Saudi province.

''They told us Iraq's ability to deliver chemical weapons was crude ... and that it was unlikely that Riyadh would get gassed tomorrow,'' said banker Jim Kleiner, 29, from New York.

But Kleiner said he felt reassured when U.S. Embassy staff told him such a possibility was too remote to worry about.

''I called the 24-hour hotline and they told me this was very unlikely, so I felt relieved,'' he said. ''They also said for Iraq to use chemicals against Saudi Arabia didn't make sense because it was mostly desert and Riyadh for example was built on a plateau and had good air circulation.''

Other Americans said they were told Iraqis had in the past delivered chemical weapons either in artillery shells or by plane.

U.S. sources said Iraqi artillery gunners would have to comes to the gates of Riyadh to fire such shells, and any airborne attempt would be stopped by Saudi and U.S. jets.

U.S. diplomats in Jeddah said American citizens had requested gas masks, but were told these would not be effective. Only body suits could fully protect humans, the officials said, because the type of chemical weapons Iraq would probably use, and had used in the Iran-Iraq war, could infiltrate the skin.

''Lack of knowledge fueled panic and prompted many people to want to leave

'' said one U.S. consular official in the region. ''We have calmed people down and local press reports are starting to print things factually, allowing folks to make rational decisions.''

The U.S. State Department has advised people to defer travel to Saudi Arabia's oil-rich Eastern province, home to 12,000 U.S. oil workers, as well as Bahrain, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates until further notice.

U.S. officials in the region said they had made a number of contingency plans in case evacuation of Americans was necessary, ''but the evacuation plans are being kept in the safe until they are needed.''

American workers in the United Arab Emirates also said they received pep talks from U.S. consular officials.

''We gathered at the Intercontinental Hotel and a guy from the (U.S.) consulate warned us that the Iraqis might resort to chemical weapons,'' said Mary Kopieski, 38, a U.S. lecturer from Boston at one of the United Arab Emirates' universities.

''He said it was unlikely any Iraqi missiles, however, would reach the UAE because they have a range of about 300 miles and we're 700 miles away from the northern Gulf,'' Kopieski said.

She said the evacuation scenario in place involved voluntary evacuation. But if the situation deteriorated it would require the removal of all dependents, then the evacuation of all personnel by civilian aircraft and a military evacuation as a last resort.

''We don't have much faith in an American evacuation though,'' she said. ''If things got bad, I'd head straight for (neighboring) Oman in my car.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1119.6
Monday	1119.1
Week ago	1125.0
Month ago	1179.9
Year ago	1117.4
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Stephen F. Bollenbach will join the Trump Organization as chief financial officer and give up his posts as senior vice president and chief financial officer of Promus Cos., developer and casino owner Donald Trump said Tuesday.

Bollenbach has worked for Promus and its predecessor, Holiday Corp., since 1986, during which the hospitality company went through two leveraged recapitalizations and sold the Holiday Inns hotel business to Bass PLC, according to Trump.

Bollenbach's previous experience also includes four years dealing with finance matters at another hospitality company, Marriott Corp.

Trump, contending both the United States and in particular the Northeast are in an economic recession, said: ''In this time of financial chaos in the world markets, it is great to have a man of the caliber of Steve Bollenbach on board.''

NEW YORK - Two senior executives will take over management of Goldman, Sachs & Co. from John L. Weinberg with Weinberg's retirement Nov. 30, the investment bank and brokerage firm announced Tuesday.

Weinberg, who will give up the post of senior partner and chairman of the firm's management committee that he held since 1976, will continue as senior chairman, responsible for various client relationships and other activities. He joined the firm in 1950 and became partner in 1956.

Robert E. Rubin and Stephen Friedman, who have served as co-vice chairmen of the management committee for three years, will move up to senior partners and co-chairman of the management committee.

Rubin became a Goldman Sachs partner in 1971 and has held a seat on the management committee since 1980. Friedman was made a partner in 1973 and gained membership on the committee in 1982.

Both men are 24-year veterans of Goldman Sachs. Before becoming co-vice chairmen of the management committee, they worked together from 1985 to 1988 running the firm's fixed-income division.

BIRMINGHAM, MI - William H. Oberlin has been appointed ALC Communications Corp.'s chief operating officer, the company said Tuesday.

Oberlin moves up from the post of executive vice president of sales and marketing for ALC Communications, parent of Allnet Communication Services Inc., a provider of long-distance telephone service.

In Oberlin's new post, he will continue to oversee the company's sales and marketing and become responsible for operations functions like management

information systems, network planning, engineering and billing.

Oberlin has worked for more than 23 years in telecommunications sales and marketing.

LOS ANGELES - J.P. Morgan & Co. said Tuesday that Owen H. Harper has been named managing direcir of Morgan Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, the firm's principal banking subsidiary.

Harper, 52, will be responsible for developing client relationships for J.P. Morgan's California private banking group, splitting his time between offices in Los Angeles and San Francisco.

He brings 30 years of financial services experience to his new job, including holding down executive vice president and other positions at Crocker National Bank in California.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - Banks will have to pay an additional $1 billion a year to bolster the fund the government uses to guarantee deposits of failed banks under a proposal introduced Tuesday.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. - the government agency that pays depositors when banks fail - approved a 30-day comment period on a proposed rule that would boost to 19.5 cents per $100 the amount banks pay for deposit insurance next year.

Banks currently pay 12 cents for every $100 worth of deposits and were scheduled by law to pay 15 cents per $100 next year.

The 4.5-cent increase is the largest ever proposed by the FDIC, said L. William Seidman, the agency's chairman. The new rates represent a 65 percent increase from the current rate.

Seidman said the increase is needed to bolster the sagging Bank Insurance Fund, which has lost $5 billion during the past two consecutive years and is headed for another loss, estimated at about $2 billion, this year.

''We're increasing the cost of deposit insurance to banks to meet a problem we're having, namely the declining level of the fund,'' Seidman said after a meeting of the FDIC's board.

''Clearly, what we're trying to do is assure our fund moves back to its required level of $1.25 per $100,'' Seidman said.

With the anticipated loss of $2 billion this year, the insurance fund will

have only $11 billion, or enough to cover 60 cents of every $100 in federally insured banks.

The FDIC, which guarantees accounts of up to $100,000, said the proposed increase should have a ''minimal impact'' on current banking industry capital levels.

An FDIC analysis of the increase said that rates paid on deposits would fall by 4.5 cents per $100 - or $4.50 on a one-year deposit of $10,000 - if banks pass along to depositors the full amount of the premium increase.

''The impact on industry income for 1991 and beyond is harder to evaluate '' the analysis said.

Bankers had mixed reactions to the proposed increase.

''If (Seidman) were a judge I'd say he gave us the maximum sentence,'' one observer said after the meeting.

Virginia Dean, a spokeswoman for the American Bankers Association, agreed the proposed increase will be tough on banks, but added that the banking industry ''has the capacity and the willingness'' to pay the higher rate.

Dean also said the proposed increase underscores the need for deposit insurance reform, which is now under review by a number of federal agencies.

''You can't just endlessly increase insurance premiums without change,'' she said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days	7.94
60 to 89 days	7.83
90 to 119 days	7.74

120 to 149 days 7.67

150 to 179 days 7.65

180 to 270 days 7.61

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.95 - 7.60

Issuers 30 days 7.90

Issuers 90 days 7.58

Issuers 270 days 7.36

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.01

60 to 89 days 7.94

90 to 119 days 7.94

120 to 149 days 7.94

150 to 179 days 7.94

180 days 7.94

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight	8.125	- 8.25
1 month	8.00	- 8.125
3 month	7.875	- 8.00
6 month	7.875	- 8.00
Year	8.00	- 8.125

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.46 - 7.44

6 months 7.34 - 7.32

Year 7.19 - 7.17

Federal Funds: High 8 1/8, Low 8 1-16, Close 8 1/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.823 up 0.022.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 14) UPI - Jurors heard opening statements Tuesday in television actor Todd Bridges's second trial on charges that he shot a drug dealer inside a cocaine rock house.

Deputy District Attorney William Hodgman told the Superior Court panel that evidence will prove that Bridges shot Texas drug dealer Kenneth ''Tex'' Clay eight times in February 1989.

But defense attorney Johnnie Cochran argued that after the jurors consider all the evidence, they will acquit Bridges, 24, of a single count of assault with a deadly weapon in the attack inside a house used to sell rock cocaine.

Jurors at Bridges' first trial last November deadlocked 8-4 in favor of acquittal, forcing a mistrial.

The same jury acquitted Bridges, the star of such cancelled television sitcoms as ''Diff'rent Strokes'' and ''Fish,'' of more serious charges of attempted murder and attempted voluntary manslaughter.

The retrial on the deadlocked assault charge is expected to last several weeks. If convicted, Bridges could be sentenced to up to four years in state prison.

The actor testified at the earlier trial he was so intoxicated after a four-day cocaine binge he did not remember shooting Clay, who survived the attack.

Bridges said that after ''Diff'rent Strokes'' went off the air in 1986, his life took a downward turn. He said he was unable to find work, lost $1.5 million to embezzlers, became suicidal and eventually started smoking or ''freebasing'' cocaine every day.

Harvey Duckett, who was with Bridges at the scene of the shooting, pleaded no contest to being an accomplice and testified against Bridges at the first trial.

Bridges claimed after his first trial that he was off drugs and wanted to become an anti-drug crusader, but last May he and another man, Stephen Mallen, were stopped by police who said they found 48 grams of cocaine in the actor's car.

The District Attorney's Office, however, declined to file cocaine charges against Bridges, saying there was insufficient evidence to prove he was in possession of the drugs. Mallen was charged with possessing the cocaine.

Bridges is free on $25,000 bail in the assault case.

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#90226u1696 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

HOLLYWOOD (AUG. 14) UPI - Moviegoers have shelled out more than $3 billion so far this year at the domestic box office, just 2 percent behind the record-setting pace set last year, when the final tally topped $5 billion.

With the surprise hits ''Ghost'' and ''Die Hard 2'' leading the way this summer, the year-to-date box office total hit $3.08 billion over the weekend, compared to $3.14 billion for the same period last year. In 1988, the total at this point in the year had reached $2.78 billion.

The top 10 movies of the weekend, led by the life-after-death drama ''Flatliners,'' amassed an impressive $58 million, off 5 percent from the previous weekend's $61.1 million, but just 1 percent off the $58.9 million scored by the top 10 a year ago.

For the week, the total domestic box office reached $139 million, up from $127.2 million for the year-ago week. In 1988, the same week produced ticket sales of $108.9 million.

During the weekend, ''Die Hard 2'' became the sixth 1990 release to top the $100 million mark. The Fox release has now drawn $101.2 million in six weeks.

Paramount's ''Ghost'' will undoubtedly cross the $100 million level before the end of the month, having taken in $85.4 million in just 31 days.

Disney's ''Pretty Woman'' led all films this year with a gross of $165.8 million in 21 weeks of release, followed by New Line's ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles,'' at $132.2 million in 20 weeks.

Paramount's ''Hunt for Red October'' has taken in $120.2 million in 24 weeks; Carolco's ''Total Recall'' is the top summer release with $114.1 million in 11 weeks, and Disney's ''Dick Tracy'' has pulled in $102.4 million in nine weeks.

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#90226u1716 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	60	off 3-8
AT&T	35	off 1-4
BCE	32 5-8	up 3-8
BellAtl	46 1-8	unch
BellSth	53 1-2	off 1-8
Exxon	52 1-4	off 1-8
FordMot	38	up 1-2
GenEl	67	off 1-2
GnMotor	40 1-4	up 3-4
GTE	27 1-8	up 1-2
IBM	104 1-2	up 3-4
Mobil	66 3-4	off 3-8
Nynex	75	off 7-8
PacGasE	22 1-8	off 1-8
PcTeles	41 5-8	off 1-4
PhilaEl	15 7-8	up 1-8
Sears	30 5-8	up 1-4
SouthCo	24 3-8	off 1-8
SwBell	51 1-2	off 1-8
USWest	36 3-8	off 1-2

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#90226u1719 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.55	up 0.01
10 Public Utils	91.81	up 0.01
10 Industrials	89.29	unchanged

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#90226u1730 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Tuesday	2747.77	up	0.99	967.52	off	11.31	204.48	up	0.51
Monday	2746.78	up	30.20	978.83	up	4.01	203.97	up	0.88
Week ago	2710.64	off	5.70	964.78	off	15.51	205.11	off	0.51
Month ago	2999.75	unchanged		1187.59	off	2.01	205.11	off	0.75
Year ago	2687.78	up	9.87	1404.69	off	9.25	217.74	off	1.51
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2543.24			964.78			200.20		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90226u1747 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 15,770,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,200,704,345
Bonds - $2,490,000
1990 to date - $450,083,000

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#90226u1748 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 130,320,000 shares
1990 to date - 24,974,973,392
Warrants - 886,700
1990 to date - 150,775,200

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#90226u1759 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 339.98, low 337.99, close 339.94, up 1.94.

There was a gain of 7 cents in the average share price.

Volume 15,770,000 shares, compared with an adjusted 9,749,780 shares changing hands Monday.
What the AMEX Market Did
New Highs 6
New Lows 61
Advances 312

Declines 288
Unchanged 240
Total Issues 840

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#90226u1762 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 14) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 186.16 up 0.53
ASE Market Value Index 339.94 up 1.94
Dow-Jones Industrial 2747.77 up 0.99

-30- 323
#90226u1769 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 14) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Tuesday - 9,268,000
1990 to date - 1,596,081,000

The market closed slightly higher.

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#90226u1783 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 14) UPI - With flames tapering off, attention was focused Tuesday on assessing the devastation wrought by wildfires across the West, including Yosemite National Park in California, where squirrels deprived of picnickers' leftovers have grown ornery.

The wildfires, a majority of which were sparked by lightning strikes last week, have ravaged more than 400,000 acres in seven states.

But a break in the weather that brought cooler temperatures and higher humidity levels earlier this week provided firefighters with the edge they needed to overcome the spreading fires.

In Yosemite, three fires were still burning across more than 22,000 acres Tuesday.

However, officials were already beginning to focus on reopening the park to tourists. The closure of the park was the first ever in Yosemite's 100-year history. But there also concerns about a possible toxic threat posed by damaged electrical transformers, as well as packs of testy squirrels, racoons and other wildlife.

Of the three major fires, the 4,000-acre so-called Steamboat fire was 60 percent contained by Tuesday morning, while the largest blaze, the A Rock fire, had grown to 17,000 acres, mainly because of backfires set by

firefighters. It was 45 percent contained.

The third fire, the much smaller TG-4 blaze at 625 acres, was 30 percent contained and no longer posed a threat to Yosemite West, a community in the park, allowing residents evacuated to begin returning Tuesday.

Officials planned to hold a ''re-evaluation'' meeting Wednesday evening about plans to re-open the park, where more than 10,000 campers and tourists were evacuated in the face of the fires last Thursday.

National Park Service spokesman Don Card said the park's roads will be reopened gradually as officials determine which areas are safe.

Card also said an Environmental Protection Agency team was en route to check for any possible hazards created by the electrical transformers damaged in Foresta, a small community outside the park where more than 60 structures were destroyed late last week.

''At this time we don't know if (the transformers) were the older variety that contained PCBs, (a cancer-causing compound),'' Card said.

Smoke in the park's famed valley was not considered hazardous, though it had all but obscured the region's often-photographed towering vistas, made famous by Ansel Adams.

''It's sort of like looking at skyscrapers in an L.A. haze,'' Card said.

With the valley all but empty, animals, especially squirrels, have been left without a main source of food - tourists who commonly break the rules to hand out tidbits of leftovers.

Card said a couple visting the park reported being ''pestered'' by a pack of about 30 anxious squirrels who surrounded them Sunday at Glacier Point.

''They were being, I guess, actively cute, doing their thing, because they're so used to campers and picnickers who feed them,'' Card said. ''The problem is they're being forced to revert to what's natural.

''It's like you would be if Safeway closed,'' he said.

Elsewhere in California, the so-called Campbell complex fire in Tehama County had covered 115,000 acres by sunrise Tuesday, but was 80 percent contained. The nearby Finley fire was 50 percent surounded at 17,536 acres. More than 1,028 firefighters were on the lines, to be augmented by Army troops from Colorado.

Gov. George Deukmejian estimated Monday that the state could spend more than $40 million suppressing the fires, which damaged or destroyed 127

buildings.

By Tuesday morning, a total of 25 major fires were still burning across 342,000 acres in four Western states, 13 of them on 220,000 acres in California.

Victory was declared in Oregon with the containment Monday evening of a nearly 74,000 acre fire in the Ochoco National Forest, one of the nation's largest this year, as 1,200 Army troops arrived from Fort Lewis, Wash., to help in rehabilitation and mop-up work.

Containment came almost exactly a week after the fire was triggered by a lightning storm, threatening the community of Burns and two other towns.

The tally for fighting the week of lightning-sparked Oregon wildfires has hit $12.1 million, with more than 7,300 firefighters on the lines of blazes that have blackened more than 123,000 acres.

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#90226u1786 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - The vanguard of a force of 45,000 heavily armed Marines began arriving in Saudi Arabia Tuesday in a dramatic increase in the number of U.S. troops confronting Iraq in Operation Desert Shield.

''This is the first significant combat force being sent into the country '' a defense official said, explaining that U.S. forces first sent to Saudi Arabia were lightly armored infantry while the Marines have tanks, attack helicopters and heavy artillery.

''When the Marines come in, there is going to be a dramatic increase in numbers of U.S. troops there as well as sustained combat capability,'' said the official who asked not to be identified.

Another defense official said there were about 26,000 U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia Tuesday and that Operation Desert Shield will ultimately involve ''in excess of 100,000'' U.S. ground troops.

The Pentagon officially has refused to detail the number of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia or the number of those being sent there. President Bush ordered the force into the oil kingdom to deter a possible Iraqi attack after Iraq occupied nieghboring Kuwait Aug. 2.

In a brief announcement Tuesday, the Pentagon said, ''Advance elements of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force and the 7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade have arrived in Saudi Arabia.''

It said the force inclues units from the 1st Marine Division and the 1st

Force Service Support Group from Camp Pendleton, Calif., the 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing from El Toro, Calif., and the 7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade from Twentynine Palms, Calif.

Also on the move, it said, were members of the 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade in Norfolk, Va., which includes units from the 2nd Marine Division and the 2nd Force Service Support Group from Camp LeJeune, N.C., and the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing from Cherry Point and New River, N.C.

The defense official said about 16,000 Marines - a full brigade - would be in Saudi Arabia within days and that a total of 45,000 combat Marines - a full Marine Expeditionary Force - were going to Saudi Arabia.

The 4th Marines will be departing by ship for Saudi Arabia, while the others were flying to the Persian Gulf and will link up with equipment and supplies already there or just arriving.

''The concept is unique - to quickly fly to a place where prepositioned ships are meeting you,'' the official said, adding the Marines will be ''capable of sustaining 30 days of combat'' with the supplies already available.

''From beans to bullets,'' he said of the cargo aboard the ships meeting the Marines.

In addition, the Marines will have more than 100 aircraft - 60 AV-8B Harrier jump jets, 48 F/A-18 fighters and 20 A-6 ground attack planes - along with nearly 25 attack helicopters, 70 tanks and more than 90 155mm howitzers.

The United States has already sent soldiers from the Army's 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C.; the 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Ky.; the 24th Infantry (Mechanized) Division, Fort Stewart, Ga., and the 11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, Fort Bliss, Texas.

The Air Force has also sent more than 100 F-15 and F-16 jet fighters and five AWACS early warning radar planes.

A U.S. naval armada, numbering about 50 ships and including three aircraft carrier battle groups, is converging of the region, with some ships already taking up stations in the gulf, the north Indian Ocean and the Red Sea.

The Pentagon announced Tuesday that a fourth battle group led by the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy and accompanied by five warships and two auxiliary ships will leave Norfolk, Va., Wednesday for the region.

''The Kennedy battle group will be available for potential relief of the

Eisenhower battle group or additional tasking to be determined by rapidly changing events in the area,'' the Pentagon said.

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#90226u1795 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	339.94	up	1.94
High Technology	339.10	up	5.91
Capital Goods	378.61	up	0.69
Consumer Goods	412.83	up	3.09
Service	774.26	up	3.36
Retail	1115.30	up	35.07
Financial	382.77	off	0.90
Natural Resources	253.77	up	0.31
Housing-Const-Land	356.45	up	3.74

There was a gain of 7 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	425.73	up	2.35
Mid Atlantic	436.06	up	1.80
No Central	475.69	up	3.19
So Atlantic	976.85	up	3.07
So Central	336.90	up	1.06
Mountain	121.50	up	3.25
Pacific	400.99	up	6.12
Foreign	252.11	up	0.72

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#90226u1796 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - (Dow Jones has revised the trans and 65 stk closes)

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2747.77	up	0.99
20 Trans	967.70	off	11.13
15 Utils	204.48	up	0.51
65 Stocks	954.17	off	2.38

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#90226u1804 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 28 to 200 points lower.

NY Cotton Exchange - 50,000 lbs.; cents per lb.

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	73.95	74.05	72.85	72.85	74.85

Dec	69.90	70.05	68.68	68.83	70.65
Mar	71.00	71.25	69.95	70.10	71.75
May	72.00	72.07	70.86	70.86	72.45
Jly	72.00	72.00	70.80	70.85	72.32
Oct	69.50	69.50	68.70	68.70	69.40
Dec	67.60	67.60	67.50	67.50	67.78

Estimated sales: 12,000 contracts
Open interest: unavailavle
The World spot average: unavailable

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#90226u1805 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2739.60	2773.02	2720.54	2747.77	up 0.99
20 Trans	979.01	996.53	959.85	967.70	off 11.13
15 Utils	203.97	205.55	202.78	204.48	up 0.51
65 Stock	955.19	967.62	945.44	954.17	off 2.38

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Tuesday	Monday
Indus	18,293,200	17,107,600
Trans	3,520,500	2,280,200
Utils	2,065,000	2,227,700
65 Stock	23,878,700	21,615,500

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.55	up 0.01
10 Public Utils	91.81	up 0.01
10 Industrials	89.29	unchanged

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 133.95 up 0.54.

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#90226u1823 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Tuesday	400.84	245.36	135.77	25.78	339.39
Monday	400.06	245.41	135.80	25.74	338.84
Week ago	395.10	245.61	134.47	25.43	334.83
Month ago	435.58	285.61	137.89	29.20	367.52

Year ago	394.71	304.88	139.19	32.98	344.71
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	371.92	244.57	134.32	25.15	322.98

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#90226u1830 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - Mayor Marion Barry announced Tuesday that he will be a candidate for a seat on the City Council, a position he held for four years before serving three terms as the city's mayor.

Barry, convicted Friday in U.S. District Court of cocaine possession and still facing a possible retrial on 12 other drug and perjury charges, said he considered seeking a fourth term as mayor but determined it would be too divisive after his 10-week trial.

Barry, a lifelong Democrat, switched political affiliations Monday to independent to faciliate a bid for some elected office in the Nov. 6 general election, but said at the time he was keeping his ''options open'' and had not positively decided which office to seek.

''After prayerful consideration and discussions with my family and a few friends, I have decidied to run for an at-large seat on the City Council '' Barry said Tuesday in a statement, released by his campaign manager, Anita Bonds. ''I believe that in this position I can achieve my goal of continuing to make a contribution to the political life of this city.''

Barry, a former civil rights leader and one of the nation's most prominent black politicians, said he ruled out another bid for mayor because of the scars from his trial.

''Even though polls have shown that I could win (a fourth term as mayor) by running as an independent and fracturing the vote between the major parties, I have rejected this idea,'' Barry said. ''Such a move would further polarize attitudes and further alienate certain segments of the population from each other. I want us all to heal.''

Bonds picked up nominating petitions from the D.C. Board of Elections and Ethics Tuesday. She said Barry would begin actively campaigning after the Sept. 11 primaries.

Barry has until Aug. 29 to gather 3,000 signatures from registered voters needed to apear on the Nov. 6 ballot.

He faces a maximum sentence of one year in prison and a $100,000 fine under his single misdemeanor conviction. Under city law, he would be precluded from holding office only if jailed after a felony conviction.

Barry, who was convicted of one cocaine possession charge and acquitted of a second, still could face retrial on 12 counts, including three felony perjury charges, on which the jury was deadlocked.

U.S. Attorney Jay Stephens said a decision on pursuing the charges would be announced at a Sept. 17 court hearing.

''If I am elected to the council I will serve on that body; I will not be a de facto mayor, a mayor in exile or a mayor on hold,'' Barry said. ''I believe in a strong executive form of government, and am quite willing to let a new mayor be mayor.''

Barry, whose term expires Jan. 2, said he planned a vacation of about 10 days beginning Wednesday.

The mayor said two months ago as his trial began that he would not be a candidate for mayor, calling it a ''time for healing, for me personally and for you politically.''

''Some of those who want me to leave politics say it is out of concern for my health and continued recovery,'' said Barry, an acknowledged alcoholic who spent seven weeks at in-patient substance abuse treatment facilities after his Jan. 18 arrest in an FBI sting.

In announcing his council bid Tuesday, the mayor said, ''I would like to remind these people that most men and women in other walks of life, including the media, are not expected to quit their professions after treatment. Instead, many people we know have continued in their jobs, often with clearer vision and making even greater contributions.''

Barry reportedly was interested in the council seat as a way to fulfill a 20-year requirement to retire with full government pension. Barry denied any motivation except the desire to continue ''community service.''

He becomes the sixth candidate for two at-large council seats, including incumbent Hilda Mason.

Barry served on the council from 1974 until his election as mayor in 1978.

''I think it's a bad move,'' W. Cardell Shelton, a Republican at-large candidate, said Monday after Barry's filing as an independent. ''I think what he's looking for is a welfare check ... for his retirement.''

Democrat Johnny Barnes, another at-large candidate for council, predicted that Barry would lose a council bid.

''He has the right to run like any other citizen,'' council member Gordon Lightfoot said Tuesday. ''It's something the voters will have to decide.

... Whether he has the moral credibility to carry on waging the war on drugs, I don't know. We'll have to wait and see.''

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#90226u1845 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (AUG. 14) UPI - A Dallas County jury Tuesday sentenced Daniel Joe Hittle to death by injection for the slaying of a Garland policeman during a 1989 shooting spree that left five people dead.

State District Judge Richard Mays pronounced the sentence recommended by the jury. Hittle, 40, was convicted of capital murder Thursday for the Nov. 15 killing of officer Gerald Walker. He could have received life in prison.

Prosecutors said Hittle shot Walker, 48, who had stopped him for a traffic violation. Hittle then sped to East Dallas, where he killed four other people. He was charged with four counts in murder in those deaths but prosecutors are not expected to press those cases now.

At the time of the shootings, Hittle was on parole for the 1973 shooting deaths of his adoptive parents at their farmhouse near Staples, Minn.

Two of his former wives testified Monday during the punishment phase of the trial that Hittle was a violent man who beat women and children and killed pets.

Della Miller, 42, said she divorced Hittle in 1973 after a brief, stormy marriage during which he abused her physically and emotionally.

Miller testified that when she was pregnant with their daughter, now 20, Hittle kicked her in the stomach, and that when their daughter was 3 months old, he slapped the child across the face to stop her crying.

Hittle's first wife, Diane Mount, testified she met Hittle in March 1970 through a roommate while Hittle was a Marine stationed in California.

Mount recalled Hittle told her the family dog had to be put to sleep because he believed the dog had been killing farm animals. She said Hittle tied the dog to a tree and shot it, then left it hanging from the tree.

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#90226u1847 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	104,420,680	37	off 1 1/4

Amgen	(AMGN)	63,902,748	48	up 1
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	45,223,036	29	off 1/2
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	34,752,440	39 3/4	off 1/8
Micrsoft Cp	(MSFT)	28,259,536	64 1/4	off 3/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	27,723,630	76 3/4	up 1
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	25,085,710	36 1/2	up 3/4
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	25,004,252	49	off 1 1/4
Biogen pf	(BGEN)	22,730,202	43 3/4	off 1/2
Conner Phrprls	(CNNR)	21,611,872	24 5/8	off 1/2

Composite Index 179.77 up 0.91

NMS volume 81,199,200 shares.

Advances	886
Declines	646
Unchanged	1,293
Total	2,825

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(AUG. 14) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	262.30	263.80	261.40	261.70	262.30
Dec	....	....	....	264.90	265.50
Mar	....	....	....	268.60	269.20

Previous day volume: 52 contracts.

Open interest: 1,247 off 5

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	339.80	343.00	338.50	340.75	339.80
Dec	343.70	346.90	342.50	344.80	343.70
Mar	346.60	350.00	345.70	348.10	346.85
Jun	....	354.00	349.50	352.20	350.95

Today's estimated volume: 43,397 contracts.

Open interest: 127,537 off 925

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	185.90	187.65	185.25	186.45	184.65
Dec	188.00	189.20	188.00	188.55	186.76
Mar	189.90	189.90	189.90	190.65	188.85

Open interest: unavailable

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	558.00	563.20	556.00	559.20	558.70
Sep	560.00	565.00	558.70	561.45	561.00

Estimated volume 3,317 contracts.
Open interest: 6,406 up 210

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#90226u1860 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Philip Morris	1,720,300	46 7/8	up 3/8
Boeing Co	1,680,000	52	off 5/8
IBM Corp	1,655,900	104 3/8	up 5/8
Advanced Micro	1,528,900	6	up 1/4
Eastman Kodak	1,489,400	42 3/4	off 3/4
Genl Electric	1,487,500	67	off 1/2
United Telecom	1,258,500	26 1/4	up 1/4
Global Marine	1,228,000	6 1/4	up 1/8
AT&T Company	1,181,800	35 1/8	off 1/8
Texas Utils	1,156,900	36 1/4	up 1/2
Johnson & Jhnsn	1,110,400	67 3/4	up 3/8
Bristol M S	1,086,700	61 1/2	off 1/4
Wal-Mart Strs	1,081,600	30 1/2	up 1/8
Genl Motors	1,018,400	40 1/8	up 5/8
Upjohn Co	1,016,900	40 3/4	up 1 3/8

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#90226u1867 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 4) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
ENSCO	1,032,700	5	up 3/8
Corona Corp A	1,002,900	6 3/4	unch
Pegasus Gold	658,300	12 1/2	up 1/4
Salomon wt jan	572,300	12 7/8	off 7/8
Continental Air	561,700	5 1/4	off 7/8
Echo Bau Mines	515,400	14 1/8	off 1/4
Dow Chemical rt	514,500	6 5/8	off 3/4
Wang Labs B	427,400	3 3/8	off 1/8
Paine W Gr wtB	375,100	4 7/8	off 1/4
Denmark K wt	368,000	14	off 3/4

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#90226u1875 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 14) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Tuesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6900	up 200
Rhone P pfC	29 1/4	off 7 3/4
CapCiti/ABC	516 1/8	up 5 5/8
Wash Post	244 1/2	up 4 1/2
UAL Corp	105 3/4	off 4 3/8
Hitachi Ltd	87	up 4 1/4
GATX pf	61	up 3 7/8
Matsushita El	121 1/2	up 3 1/2
Alexanders	36 3/4	up 3 3/8
Lowes Corp	25 1/2	off 3 1/8
Rhone P lnc	61 1/4	up 3

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	410.33	up	2.03	402.08	460.91
Industrial	440.48	up	1.85	429.01	446.22
Finance	398.65	up	0.33	397.41	548.58
Insurance	471.10	up	0.13	467.47	537.85
Utility	568.91	up	11.77	553.10	721.38
Bank	298.69	off	0.14	298.57	487.75
Transport	446.51	off	1.01	444.59	457.78

Composite 1990 High 469.60
1990 Low 400.04
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	179.77	up	0.91
Industrial Index	174.09	up	0.74
NASDAQ-100 Index	416.59	up	1.75

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#90226u1908 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 14J) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record

STOCK SPLIT
HW Kaufman Fincl - 3-for-2

REVERSED STOCK SPLIT
Jiffy Lube International Inc - 1-for-10

INCREASED

City Holding Co	Q	.11	9-15	9-1
Questar Corp	Q	.49	9-10	8-17

INITIAL

Home Fedl Svgs (Mo)	..	.0725	9-15	8-27

USUAL

Enron Corp	Q	.62	9-20	9-4
MCA Inc	Q	.17	9-17	8-29
Portsmouth Bank	Q	.12	9-15	9-1

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S. $ Equivalent		currency per U.S. $	
	Tue	Mon	Tue	Mon
Argntn austrl	.000174	.000174	5740.00	5740.00
Australia dlr	.8061	.8027	1.2405	1.2458
Austria schill	.0902	.0903	11.09	11.07
Belgium frnc-c	.0310	.0308	32.24	32.42
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0140	.0140	71.22	71.22
Britain pound	1.8995	1.8815	.5265	.5315
Britain 1-mo	1.7855	1.8698	.5601	.5348
Britain 3-mo	1.7744	1.8495	.5636	.5407
Britain 6-mo	1.7229	1.8204	.5804	.5493
Canada dollar	.8742	.8724	1.1439	1.1463
Canada 1-mo	.8702	.8684	1.1491	1.1515
Canada 3-mo	.8630	.8615	1.1587	1.1607
Canada 6-mo	.8558	.8534	1.1685	1.1718
Chile peso-f	.003448	.003448	290.01	290.01
China yuan	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127

Colombia pes	.001971	.001971	507.32	507.32
Denmark krne	.1664	.1666	6.0080	6.0040
Ecudr sucr-z	.001119	.001119	893.97	893.97
Egypt pound	.3742	.3742	2.6727	2.6727
Finlnd mrkka	.2698	.2692	3.7070	3.7150
France franc	.1917	.1887	5.2175	5.2985
France 1-mo	.1903	.1885	5.2550	5.3063
France 3-mo	.1896	.1878	5.2740	5.3256
France 6-mo	.1885	.1868	5.3045	5.3570
Greece drach	.006474	.006474	154.47	154.47
Hollnd guildr	.5683	.5623	1.7595	1.7785
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1287	7.7705	7.7725
India rupee	.0579	.0579	17.27	17.27
Indo'sa rupia	.000543	.000543	1842.00	1842.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7105	1.7025	0.5846	0.5874
Israel shekel	.5025	.5025	1.9900	1.9900
Italy lira	.000869	.000865	1150.75	1156.00
Japan yen	.006725	.006660	148.70	150.15
Japan 1-mo	.006755	.006663	148.04	150.08
Japan 3-mo	.006751	.006663	148.12	150.09
Japan 6-mo	.006739	.006661	148.40	150.13
Jordan dinar	1.6524	1.6524	.6514	.6514
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico pes-z	.000349	.000349	2864.00	2864.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6175	.6095	1.6194	1.6407
Norway krne	.1645	.1637	6.0785	6.1100
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.52	21.50
Peru inti	.000041	.000041	246,250	246.250
P'pnes peso-z	.0441	.0441	22.66	22.66
Portugl escd	.007217	.007217	138.56	138.56
Saudi riyal	.2675	.2675	3.7380	3.7380
Singapore dlr	.5565	.5563	1.7970	1.7975
S.Africa rand	.3885	.3885	2.5740	2.5740
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010381	.010103	96.33	96.77
Sweden krona	.1734	.1726	5.7670	5.7940
Switzrl franc	.7686	.7590	1.3010	1.3175
Switzrl 1-mo	.7680	.7584	1.3021	1.3186
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7665	.7568	1.3047	1.3213
Switzrl 6-mo	.7643	.7545	1.3084	1.3254
Taiwan dollar	.0370	.0370	26.95	26.95
Turkey lira	.000376	.000376	2659.00	2659.00
UAE dirham	.2725	.2725	3.6699	3.6699
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0206	.0206	48.54	48.46

W.Ger Mark	.6405	.6334	1.5614	1.5787
W.Ger 1-mo	.6390	.6333	1.5649	1.5790
W.Ger 3-mo	.6397	.6326	1.5633	1.5808
W.Ger 6-mo	.6380	.6310	1.5674	1.5849
Yugoes dinar	.0925	.0925	10.81	10.81

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Wa- shington, D.C.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.13	8.23	9.19
91-day Treasury bills	7.71	7.41	8.00
182-day Treasury bills	7.74	7.32	7.86
1-year Treasury bills	7.70	7.14	7.73
3-year Treasury notes	8.10	8.07	8.23
7-year Treasury notes	8.53	8.55	8.22
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.79	8.80	8.19
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.25	9.25	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.85	9.85	9.26
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.07	9.10	9.34
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.34	9.19	9.20
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.38	9.44	9.42
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.37	9.42	9.40

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	107,488,700
Advances	1,114
Declines	809

Unchanged	2,354
Total	4,277

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - Top diplomats of all five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council met Tuesday to discuss a Soviet suggestion that the United Nations take a military role in implementing the economic embargo against Iraq.

The undersecretary of state for political affairs, Robert Kimmitt, met with the ambassadors or charges of Britain, France, the Soviet Union and China for 55 minutes about a possible role for the U.N. Military Staff Committee in the Persian Gulf conflict.

Chinese Ambassador Zhu Qizhen said no decisions were made and that another meeting of the five countries' U.N. ambassadors will be held in New York. No date was given.

Although the committee meets secretly every two weeks, it never has been used because Security Council members have not been able to agree about its functions. It was conceived as a general staff responsible to the Security Council for overall strategic planning and technical advice on military issues.

U.S. acceptance of a Soviet suggestion to consider including a U.N. committee in the gulf crisis appeared to coincide with Washington's own efforts to ensure that moves to punish Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion are international, not unilateral.

Soviet warships do not appear to be actively engaged in the U.S.-led naval blockade of Iraq.

President Bush told reporters he is open-minded about the possibility of a U.N. role and said he does not ''have any problems talking to the Soviets about that.''

But, he said, ''I don't think it's essential to have a U.N. flag for countries to carry out their responsibilities.''

The diplomatic session chaired by Kimmitt came a day after several U.N. members criticized the United States, sources said, for exceeding U.N. calls for an economic embargo of Iraq with a naval blockade of that Arab country.

The Bush administration has shied from the term ''blockade,'' instead calling the attempt to prohibit commerce to and from Iraq an

''interdiction.''

''The actions we are taking are clearly legal under international law,'' State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said.

The United States, at the request of the exiled government of Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, has coordinated the multinational blockade of goods going to and from Iraq. Tutwiler said discussions about the U.N. committee will not replace the blockade, which she said ''still holds.''

''This is a suggestion, another idea,'' she said of the Soviet proposal for a possible U.N. committee role. ''It's a Soviet Union suggestion. It is one that the United States is interested in exploring.''

Secretary of State James Baker and his Soviet counterpart, Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, have discussed a possible role in the gulf crisis for the U.N. committee during the past several days, Tutwiler said.

The meeting was held, she said, ''to follow up on the Soviet Union's suggestion to engage the U.N. Military Staff Committee in discussion of the situation in the gulf.''

The session will review what role the committee might play in connection with implementing U.N. Resolution 661, Tutwiler said.

The resolution says all U.N. members shall prevent any ships ''from taking part in the sale or supply of any commodities or products, including weapons or any other military equipment,'' to Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

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#90226u1991 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	410.63	408.35	410.33	up 2.03
Industrial	441.09	438.25	440.48	up 1.85
Finance	399.31	398.11	398.65	up 0.33
Insurance	472.13	468.67	471.10	up 0.13
Utility	569.10	558.74	568.91	up 11.77
Bank	299.57	297.61	298.69	off 0.14
Transport	451.55	445.91	446.51	off 1.01

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 468.86

1990 Low (1-30) 410.72

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index 179.77 up 0.91

Industrial Index	174.09 up 0.74
NASDAQ-100 Index	416.59 up 1.75
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	9.26 up 0.03
Volume	81,199,200 shares
Advances	886
Declines	646
Unchanged	1,293
Total	2,825

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	23.75-23.80	23.60-23.65
North Sea Brent	26.80-26.85	26.50-26.60
West Texas Intermed	26.50-26.60	27.00-27.05
Light Louisiana Sweet	27.25-27.40	27.55-27.70
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	87.25-87.75	87.30-87.55
No. 2 Heating oil	71.75-72.00	73.55-73.90
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	83.00-83.25	83.90-84.15
No. 2 Heating oil	70.15-70.25	72.25-72.35

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14J) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	21	11	5
New lows	111	167	185

	NYSE Issues	Share Volume
Advances	841	67,991,700
Declines	614	46,981,000
Unchanged	525	15,343,300
Total	1,980	130,320,000

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#90226u2033 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 14) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	6
New lows	61

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	312	8,193,700
Declines	288	5,357,600
Unchanged	240	2,218,700
Total	840	15,770,000

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#90226u2040 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	186.51	185.02	186.10	up 0.47
Industrial	232.95	231.53	232.60	up 0.68
Transport	152.05	150.93	150.93	off 0.03
Utility	87.86	87.41	87.70	up 0.10
Finance	132.03	131.43	131.93	up 0.31

Equivalent to a gain of 9 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 130,320,000 shares.

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#90226u2057 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - President Bush, in a move that could exacerbate tensions with a longtime friend in the Middle East, said Tuesday that it may be necessary to intercept ships bound for Jordan to sever Iraq's economic lifeline.

With Jordan's King Hussein en route to Washington for urgent talks on the Persian Gulf crisis, Bush acknowledged concern that Jordan may provide the means for Iraq to escape the full weight of a U.N.-ordered trade embargo.

At a White House news conference, Bush declined to pass judgment on reports of continued shipments of goods to Iraq from the Red Sea port of Aqaba, but said any country that permitted such activity ''would be in violation of the sanctions.''

As the United States worked through diplomatic channels to broaden support for its actions in the gulf, Bush said ''it might well be'' necessary to stop ships bound for Aqaba to shut off the remaining flow of imports to Iraq.

''If it's a hole through which commerce flows in an otherwise tight net, I would certainly think that Aqaba should be closed to Iraqi commerce,'' he said.

Bush defended the de facto U.S. naval quarantine of Iraq as necessary and proper as top diplomats from the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council discussed a possible U.N. role in coordinating enforcement of sanctions being used to punish Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The meeting, held at the State Department, followed Bush's announcement Sunday that the United States would do ''whatever is necessary'' to effect Iraq's economic isolation. It ended with no decisions on a U.N. military role.

After coming under criticism at the United Nations on Monday for his assertion that the U.S. blockade is justified by the U.N. Charter, Bush said, ''We have good opinions that we are acting properly and I have no intention to change at all.''

While willing to consider a Soviet suggestion that the enforcement effort be placed under U.N. legitimacy, he said that would not be ''essential'' and urged other countries to commit their forces ''to see that commerce does not continue.''

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - Summit Technology Inc., a small Watertown,

Mass., company striving to claim a multibillion dollar surgical laser market, disclosed Tuesday that it has concluded a draft licensing agreement for the technology with International Business Machines Inc. of Armonk, N.Y.

David Muller, Summit's president, declined to release the terms of the draft agreement, but confirmed the deal was an important step in Summit's efforts to bring its technology to market.

In a Tuesday filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Summit said that IBM had a broad patent for Summit's primary product, excimer lasers, which can be used to operate on eyes without damaging delicate tissue.

A scientist at IBM's major research facility in Yorktown Heights, N.Y., received the excimer patent in 1989, while Summit did not receive its excimer patent until last July.

The SEC filing said that if IBM did not license the technology to Summit, the latter's ''ability to sell its laser system in the United States could be substantially impaired.''

That would be a big market to lose, according to the consulting firm Arthur D. Little, which has estimated a multibillion dollar market for the laser, based on estimates of two million corneal sculpting operations a year.

In corneal sculpting operations, the laser is used to reshape the cornea, a procedure that is thought to correct nearsightedness, farsightedness, and astigmatisms, as well as several eye diseases.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services estimates that some 140 million Americans have these types of refractive disorders, many of whom currently wear glasses or contact lenses, but could be treated with Summit's laser.

Summit has yet to tap the vast U.S. market - the Food and Drug Administration must still approve the use of excimer lasers to treat eye problems - but is selling units overseas, and expects revenues of $10 to $12 million in its fiscal year 1990.

A number of investors are betting the technology will catch on here once approved by the FDA.

Summit held an initial public offering of stock in 1987, and, after a slow start, the stock rose from $3 a share in 1989 to $18 a share last July.

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#90226u2089 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Tuesday was 474.65, up 0.39 percent.
This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90226u2126 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 14) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney today said he ''canNOT conceive'' the use of U-S chemical weapons even if Iraq drops poison gas on American troops in Saudi Arabia. On a visit to troops at Fort Stewart, Georgia, Cheney said only that the United States has ''a wide range'' of responses.

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#90226u2127 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - King Hussein of Jordan, caught in a financial and political squeeze in the gulf crisis, headed to the United States Tuesday for meetings with President Bush and Secretary of State James Baker.

Officials in Jordan said Hussein was carrying a joint Iraqi-Jordanian peace plan he drafted with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to resolve the Persian Gulf conflict sparked by Iraq's occupation of Kuwait.

The White House announced Bush would meet Hussein Thursday at the president's summer home in Kennebunkport, Maine, at the request of the Arab leader, who was to arrive in Washington early Wednesday morning, then fly to Maine.

At a White House news conference Tuesday, Bush acknowledged there were some clear differences between the United States and Jordan on how to handle Saddam and said, ''I'd like to see if we can eliminate those differences.''

The meeting will take place against the background of recurring reports that Jordan is permitting its ocean port in Aqaba to allow in shipments of food and other material, which is then sent to Iraq by truck convoy.

Bush, wryly predicting he and the king will have ''an interesting conversation,'' avoided criticizing Jordan for not being more forceful in supporting United Nations sanctions against Iraq and seemed to hold out an incentive for cooperation.

''We've always been a friend of Jordan. We've helped them in the past,'' Bush said, adding, ''We'll help them in the future, if they fulfill their obligations here.''

Asked if he would provide economic aid to ease pressure on Hussein, Bush said, ''I think we would, provided Jordan joined these other countries in fulfilling these obligations under the sanctions.''

However, Bush said that if Aqaba is ''a hole'' in the sanctions, ''I would certainly think that Aqaba should be closed to Iraqi commerce.''

The U.N. sanctions against Iraq, approved by the Security Council Aug. 6, ban virtually all trade, but news accounts in Olso said a Norwegian ship's captain told reporters he was forced by Jordanian police to break the embargo on trade with Iraq and unload Iraq-bound grain from his vessel in Aqaba.

Norwegian government spokesmen said the incident, which took place last week and broke Norway's embargo against any form of trade with Iraq, was to be fully investigated and ''appropriate action'' will be taken.

The report said the 86,000-ton, Liberia-registered but Norwegian-owned Tanga was forced to unload its cargo of Iraq-bound grain after its captain was arrested by Jordanian police.

A State Department spokeswoman said the United States is also aware of statements made by Israeli officials, saying that any Iraqi military presence in Jordan would be regarded as cause for war. The United States, according to diplomatic officials, has asked Israel to keep a low, non-threatening profile in the crisis.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said the United States is considering ways of helping nations, like Jordan, who might be suffering economically by the mandatory ban on any commerce with Iraq until Iraq withdraws its forces from Kuwait.

One possibility mentioned by diplomatic officials would be direct financial aid from the exiled Kuwaiti government, and another would be the supply of cheap or free supplies of petroleum from oil-exporters such as Saudi Arabia.

The president has criticized Hussein for at first embracing Saddam as a ''patriot.'' Philip Geyelin, now at work on a book about the Jordanian king, said, ''The word 'patriot' has a very special meaning in that part of the world, in the context of the Arab-Israeli conflict.''

Geyelin, who last interviewed Hussein in late June, said Hussein's main driving force has been fear of an Israeli attack, which he tries to deter by making alliances in the Arab world and by maintaining excellent relations with the United States.

Geyelin said, ''It's my guess that he is doing what he always has, going back to 1956, which is going with the flow and trying to figure out how to survive.''

Fitzwater said Hussein would arrive in Washington shortly after midnight Wednesday morning. Bush said Hussein would rest in Washington before flying to Maine Thursday morning, returning to Jordan following his meeting with the president.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - REFILING to fix R-T-N-D-A coding

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NEW YORK (AUG. 14) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.84	10.55
Anchor Fund Inv	15.56	16.51
Delaware Mutual	17.42	18.68
Fidelity Fund	17.33	17.33
Investors Mutual	11.24	11.83

Investors Stocks	18.78	19.77
Invest Select	8.30	8.74
IDS Equity Plus	9.37	9.86
Mass Inv Growth	9.09	9.80
Nicholas Fund	3.36	3.36
United Accumulated	6.61	7.22
United Income	17.97	19.64
Vanguard Wellington	16.70	16.70

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#90226u2156 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (AUG. 14) UPI - Astronomers are finally ready to begin critical tests this week to find out exactly how much useful science the $1.5 billion Hubble Space Telescope can accomplish, despite its flawed optical system, officials said Tuesday.

Buoyed by better-than-expected pictures from the telescope's main camera, project scientist Edward Weiler said Hubble's cameras and light-splitting spectrographs will be trained on a variety of deep space objects starting Thursday in the first of two such ''science characterization'' sessions.

''We are entering in about two days a period of one to two weeks where we'll be doing the science characterization program, that is, actually doing science programs with all the instruments trying to really pin down what science we can and can't do,'' Weiler said during a teleconference with reporters.

''The targets include things like galaxies, peculiar galaxies, galaxies with active nuclei, some double stars, some star clusters, crowded field objects, basically, the universe. There's a whole list of objects.''

The first phase of the testing is expected to last about 10 days. A second series of science observations is scheduled to begin around Sept. 1 and if all goes well, NASA's astronomy team should be ready to generate a schedule of targets for the start of routine observations.

In the meantime, Weiler said, engineers are proceeding with critical tests to precisely measure the curvature of Hubble's flawed primary mirror.

The 94.5-inch mirror was ground into the wrong shape during construction 10 years ago. The resulting ''spherical aberration'' prevents the telescope from bringing starlight to a sharp focus, a crippling disability for Hubble's two visible-light cameras.

But once the exact curvature of the mirror is understood, a replacement for the telescope's main wide-field camera can be equipped with corrective mirrors to compensate for the aberration.

Weiler said the ''prescription'' for the corrective mirrors should be finished by the end of October. The new camera is scheduled for installation during a shuttle mission now planned for 1993.

''We hope to get the rough prescription by Labor Day and the final prescription for the corrective mirrors ... by mid-October or late October '' he said.

In the meantime, astronomers need to evaluate how well Hubble's instruments can perform ''as is'' in order to come up with a list of targets that will best take advantage of the observatory's current abilities.

Preliminary results indicate the space telescope can capture clearer, more valuable images than scientists had thought and that computers can be used to sharpen the pictures even more.

On Monday, elated astronomers released pictures of a star cluster showing many more young, massive stars than were visible from ground-based photographs. While the results indicate the observatory can produce useful pictures, more data is needed to determine what the camera can and cannot accomplish.

''It's one thing to ... get a pretty picture and another thing to go in there and be able to study each one of those stars and know to 1, to 5, to 10 percent accuracy and know how much light they're putting off,'' Weiler said.

''We're very hopeful we'll be able to get that kind of accuracy, but the proof is in the pudding. The purpose of the next couple of weeks is to do that kind of program, that is, what kind of quantitative accuracy can we get?''

The Hubble Space Telescope was designed to be the most powerful instrument of its kind, able to answer fundamental questions about the universe by studying and photographing celestial bodies deep in the cosmos from its perch 380 miles above Earth.

But about a month after the 12-ton telescope was ferried into space by the space shuttle Atlantis in April, engineers announced that Hubble suffers from spherical aberration, setting off a storm of controversy and criticism.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - AT&T no longer dominates key long-distance

telephone markets, reducing the need for regulators to protect competitors such as MCI Communications Corp. and U.S. Sprint Communications Co., an AT&T sponsored study said Tuesday.

The report, ''Interexchange Competition in the Price Cap Era,'' was written by an independent consultant, Multinational Business Services Inc. It was paid for by American Telephone and Telegraph Co. - the only long-distance carrier subject to comprehensive government regulation.

The study examines competition in long-distance services under the framework of a price-cap regulation system imposed on AT&T on July 1, 1989. Previously, the regulation was keyed to the company's rate of return.

The study concludes that the Federal Communication Commission should ease its regulatory constraints on AT&T because real competitiveness has been achieved over five years in the $55 billion telephone market.

''From a consumer perspective, customers now have a choice of different vendors for supplying long-distance service,'' said Bruce Levinson, co-author of the report.

AT&T, the study said, has lost market share rapidly to MCI, U.S. Sprint and other companies in some of the most important and lucrative areas of the phone business. The report said AT&T's market share has declined from nearly 80 percent in 1985 to 68 percent this year for residential and business telephone service. By the end of 1990, MCI and Sprint together will hold a quarter of residential and business market share.

ATT's share of ''800'' calling service has plunged from 100 percent to just over 60 percent over four years, the study said, while MCI's share has jumped from 3 percent to 18 percent and Sprint's has more than doubled from 4 percent to 9 percent.

The telecommunications giant also has been losing business to competitors in other, specialized business, including outbound WATS and private line services.

''AT&T is taking its greatest losses in the most attractive large business markets,'' Levinson saod.

''I'm not surprised that AT&T would have a report that would reach those conclusions,'' said Jim Lewis, MCI's vice president for regulatory affairs.

MCI favors a continuation of the regulatory constraints on AT&T because, he said, it still enjoys competitive advantages in the long-distance market. These advantages are in the area of some WATS services. And ''when you go to a pay phone or use a credit card, AT&T retains significant market power,'' Lewis said.

Not enough time has passed since the price-cap rules went into effect for the FCC to consider making any ''dramatic'' changes, Lewis added. ''The price cap is still very new so let's take a look at how that's working before we change it.''

The FCC is now in the process of considering whether to streamline its regulatory policies on AT&T.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - President Bush said Tuesday he called South African President F.W. de Klerk and South African black leader Nelson Mandela to congratulate them on the ''apparent breakthrough'' to peacefully end apartheid.

Bush said spoke by telephone with Mandela on Tuesday, and with de Klerk on Monday.

On Aug. 6, Mandela's African National Congress suspended a 30-year-old guerrilla campaign to halt apartheid, and de Klerk's white government, in turn, announced it would negotiate a new consitution.

Bush disclosed his calls Mandela and de Klerk at the opening of a White House news conference. He said he had just got off the telphone with the black leader, and had spoke the day earlier with the South African president.

''I talked with him (Mandela) about the apparent breakthrough over there between ANC, Mandela and de Klerk and the government in terms of the peaceful resolution to the problem of how you elminate apartheid,'' Bush said.

''I talked to him a little bit about the joy we felt in the progress that has been made in releasing prisoners,'' Bush said, adding he congratulated both men. ''It is very exciting.''

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GREELEY, CO. (AUG. 14) UPI - Denver Broncos head coach Dan Reeves was back on the practice field Tuesday, less than a week after admitting himself to a hospital for treatment of chest pains.

Reeves admitted himself to North Colorado Medical Center in Greeley Aug. 8 after suffering chest pains while exercising. The next morning, a charter plane took him to Sequoia Hospital in Redwood City, Calif., where doctors

performed a high-tech procedure called an atherectomy to scrape plaque from two blocked coronary arteries.

Reeves, 46, was released from the hospital Saturday and spent the weekend recuperating in northern California. On Monday, after an examination showed he is recovering nicely, he flew to Denver and was driven to Greeley to rejoin training camp at the University of Northern California.

''I feel better than I did before I left,'' Reeves told reporters after the team's Tuesday morning workout. ''I'm very fortunate, very lucky. The good Lord was good to me, He gave me a warning. Hopefully, I'll get my diet corrected and get my cholesterol down and won't have any problems.''

Doctors initially predicted Reeves would be sidelined for two to six weeks. Defensive coordinator Wade Phillips was put in charge of the team, and coached the Broncos to a 16-7 preseason victory over Indianapolis Saturday.

The atherectomy shortened Reeves's recovery time considerably, and he was expected to be back on the sideline Monday night when Denver plays San Francisco.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - Sun Microsystems Inc., the leading U.S. supplier of computer workstations, disclosed Tuesday that it has received a letter from Texas Instruments Inc. alleging that a ''substantial'' number of Sun's products infringe on TI patents.

Sun also disclosed Tuesday that a tentative agreement reached with International Business Machines Corp. to resolve an earlier patent dispute calls for the two companies to enter into a five-year cross-licensing agreement.

Both disclosures were made in a registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Sun Microsystems general counsel Michael Morris declined further comment on either issue.

In regard to the TI letter, however, which was sent last March, the SEC filing said that the two companies have begun preliminary discussions on the alleged patent violations.

Based on those talks, Sun stated in the filing that it ''believes that it will be able to negotiate a license agreement with TI and that the outcome of this matter will not have a material adverse effect on Sun's financial

position.''

Terri West, a Texas Instruments spokeswoman, could not confirm the contents of the letter.

She said, however, that the discussions have most likely centered on eight patents for Texas Instrument's microcomputer systems - a set of patents that West said TI had also discussed with other companies in March.

These patents relate to the way microprocessor-based systems interact with the input-output functions of personal computers.

For example, one of the patents covers automatic diagnostic routines that computers perform when turned on.

Separately, Sun reported in its SEC filing that it had nearly completed patent discussions with IBM, which claimed several years ago that certain Sun technologies were subject to IBM patents and thus needed to be licensed.

The two companies at the end of fiscal 1990 reached an agreement that is currently being reviewed by Sun's board of directors, according to the SEC filing.

Under the proposed agreement, each company would be granted a non-exclusive worldwide license to the other party's patent portfolio for the lives of the underlying patents.

The agreement would cover all patents issued or applied for prior to July 1985, and would require Sun to make annual payments through July 1995.

These payments, Sun said, would not have a significant effect on the company's financial position.

Sun Microsystems is based in Mountain View, Calif; Texas Instruments is located in Dallas, and IBM is headquartered in Armonk, N.Y.

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VERNON, VT (AUG. 14) UPI - An unsigned letter from plant workers outlining alleged problems at the Vermont Yankee nuclear reactor has triggered a federal investigation, Gov. Madeleine Kunin said Tuesday.

Kunin released copies of the letter, which claimed to be from a group of Yankee employees, along with a scathing statement accusing the operators of the state's only nuclear reactor of ''shocking ... neglect.''

The letter, mailed to state officials last month, claims plant operators have cut corners in ways that may affect the reactor's safety.

''We are a group of Vermont Yankee employees,'' the letter began. ''We know the company is heading for trouble. Bad fuel, longer time between outages, poor maintenance, budget cuts, aging plant are converging and increasing stresses in our working environment.

''An accident could happen which, in earlier times, we could have handled easily, but now we're not so sure. There is (an) increasing sense of projecting an image and then doing quite the opposite,'' the letter continued.

Specifically, the letter said the plant operated for six months with a broken pump in its fuel pool system despite federal rules that require the plant to shut down within 30 days under such circumstances.

The letter also said Yankee has leaking fuel bundles, creating the potential for a radiation hazard.

The letter also claimed the plant was undermanned to the extent that workers could not perform a safe emergency shutdown under some conditions.

Kunin said the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has launched an investigation based on the letter.

Kunin also expressed outrage over the matter.

''It's shocking that it apparently took a letter from whistleblowers to bring these problems to light,'' Kunin said. ''There's no excuse for that kind of neglect.

''The NRC appears to be taking these allegations seriously, and so they should,'' Kunin said. ''The fact that it took an anonymous letter to get some action raises some very serious questions about the quality assurance program down at Vermont Yankee.''

Yankee spokeswoman Mary Schneider said the plant was notified of the probe on Tuesday. Schneider said the plant was operating safely.

''We're taking these allegations very seriously,'' said Yankee President J. Gary Weigand. ''Vermont Yankee welcomes constructive criticism and is always looking for ways to enhance the quality of its performance. We will work expeditiously to provide the NRC with any information they need to examine these concerns in detail.''

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - Manor Care Inc. Tuesday said it has reached an agreement with New Image Realty Inc. to acquire the assets of Econo Lodges of America Inc. for $60 million.

The Econo Lodges system includes 615 hotels in the Unites States and Canada. Also included in the transaction are 85 Friendship Inn franchises.

With the acquisition, Manor Care's lodging subsidiary, Choice Hotels International Inc., formerly Quality Inns International Inc., franchises 2,301 hotels and 223,974 guest rooms in 19 countries, the company said.

Manor Care said that last month it acquired the worldwide franchise rights to Rodeway Inns, making Choice the largest franchise hotel company in the world.

Choice Hotels International also franchises Quality Inns, Comfort Inns, Sleep Inns and Clarion Hotels and Resorts worldwide.

In addition to its lodging subsidiary, Manor Care operates 161 health care facilities with 21,600 beds in 28 states.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (AUG. 14) UPI - A judge accepted an offer Tuesday by actor Marlon Brando to put up his $4 million mountaintop estate to secure the release of his son, Christian, charged with the murder of his half-sister's boyfriend.

Christian Brando, 32, was expected to be released Wednesday morning. He has been in custody for nearly three months, arrested after the May 16 fatal shooting of his half-sister's Tahitian boyfriend, Dag Drollet, at the actor's 12-room home.

Christian was initially denied bail. Last month, however, after a preliminary hearing, his bail was set at $10 million, the highest ever set in Los Angeles County. Last week, Santa Monica Superior Court Judge David Perez, calling the $10 million bail excessive, slashed it to $2 million.

On Tuesday, Perez approved an arrangement under which Brando's estate, valued at $4 million, was offered as collateral to meet the bail.

Under California law, when property is posted to meet bail, the property must be worth twice as much as the bail amount.

Prosecutors allege that Christian Brando, 32, premeditated the slaying of Drollet, 26. They claim Christian Brando accused Drollet, the son of an

influential political figure in Tahiti, of beating his half-sister.

Deputy District Attorney Steve Barshop said Drollet was shot in the head at point-blank range while watching television and that his body was found with a television remote control in one hand and a cigarette lighter in the other.

Christian Brando told police that he accidentally shot Drollet while he and the victim were wrestling for the weapon, a .45-caliber handgun.

''I shot him, man, but not on purpose,'' Los Angeles police quoted Brando as telling them after the incident. ''Please believe me. I wouldn't do it my father's house.''

However, prosecutors say that Cheyenne Brando in mid-June gave a statement to police in which she indicated that Christian had premeditated the slaying. Shortly after giving that statement, Cheyenne returned to Tahati, where she is a citizen, in an apparent move to avoid testifying against her half-brother.

She has since given birth to Drollet's child.

Marlon Brando was home at the time of the shooting, but was in a different room. He telephoned police after hearing the gunshot.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - The five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council agreed Tuesday to discuss a Soviet suggestion to create a U.N. military command in the Persian Gulf for joint operations against Iraq, the State Department said.

The undersecretary of state for political affairs, Robert Kimmitt, recommended to the ambassadors or charges of Britain, France, the Soviet Union and China that the meeting be convened at U.N. headquarters in New York ''no later than the end of this week,'' the State Department said.

The diplomats met for 45 minutes to discuss a possible role for the U.N. Military Staff Committee in the Persian Gulf conflict to enforce the U.N.-sanctioned trade embargo against Iraq, the State Department said.

Although the Military Staff Committee meets secretly every two weeks, it never has been used because Security Council members have not been able to agree about its functions. It was conceived as a general staff responsible to the Security Council for overall strategic planning and technical advice on military issues.

The U.N. military committee is comprised of representatives of the military chiefs of staff of the five permanent security council members. Representatives of other U.N members can be invited as appropriate.

It was not clear what role the Military Staff Committee would take in the crisis or whether it would replace or work with the U.S.-led multinational force that is carrying out the blockade against trade to and from Iraqi.

U.S. acceptance of a Soviet suggestion to consider including a U.N. committee in the gulf crisis appeared to coincide with Washington's own efforts to ensure that moves to punish Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion are international, not unilateral.

Soviet warships do not appear to be actively engaged in the U.S.-led naval blockade of Iraq.

President Bush told reporters he is open-minded about the possibility of a U.N. role and said he does not ''have any problems talking to the Soviets about that.''

But, he said, ''I don't think it's essential to have a U.N. flag for countries to carry out their responsibilities.''

At the diplomatic meeting, the State Department said, ''there was unanimous agreement that the five would continue to work actively toward full implementation of economic sanctions under U.N. Security Council Resolution 661'' that imposes economic sanctions against Iraq.

''It was agreed that this subject should be discussed further among the permanent five members in New York.''

The session chaired by Kimmitt came a day after several U.N. members criticized the United States, sources said, for exceeding U.N. calls for an economic embargo of Iraq with a naval blockade of that Arab country.

The Bush administration has shied from the term ''blockade,'' instead calling the attempt to prohibit commerce to and from Iraq an ''interdiction.''

''The actions we are taking are clearly legal under international law,'' State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said.

The United States, at the request of the exiled government of Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, has coordinated the multinational blockade of goods going to and from Iraq. Tutwiler said discussions about the U.N. committee will not replace the blockade, which she said ''still holds.''

''This is a suggestion, another idea,'' she said of the Soviet proposal

for a possible U.N. committee role. ''It's a Soviet Union suggestion. It is one that the United States is interested in exploring.''

Secretary of State James Baker and his Soviet counterpart, Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, have discussed a possible role in the gulf crisis for the U.N. committee during the past several days, Tutwiler said.

The meeting was held, she said, ''to follow up on the Soviet Union's suggestion to engage the U.N. Military Staff Committee in discussion of the situation in the gulf.''

The session will review what role the committee might play in connection with implementing U.N. Resolution 661, Tutwiler said.

The resolution says all U.N. members shall prevent any ships ''from taking part in the sale or supply of any commodities or products, including weapons or any other military equipment,'' to Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - The U-N Security Council met today to discuss a Soviet suggestion to give the United Nations a military role in implementing an economic embargo against Iraq. U-S, British, French, Soviet and Chinese representatives met in Washington to explore a role for the U-N Military Staff Committee. The committee has NEVER been put to use because Security Council members have NEVER been able to agree on its functions.

The vanguard of a force of some 45-thousand heavily armed Marines began arriving in Saudi Arabia today... dramatically increasing the number of U-S troops confronting Iraq in Operation Desert Shield. A defense official says the Marines are the first significant combat force being sent in to defend Saudi Arabia. Another defense official says he expects the Middle East operation ultimately will involve at least 100-thousand U-S troops.

Oil prices could have a very serious... and possibly devastating... impact on the U-S airline industry. Transportation Secretary Skinner says he has been told by officials at one airline that every one-cent increase in the price of jet fuel adds 20-Million dollars a month in operating expenses. Skinner says he expects the industry to pass the buck to customers.

U-S officials in the Middle East are telling Americans there is little chance Iraq will use chemical weapons against them soon. One Gulf-based U-S envoy told U-P-I that the diplomats want to prevent panic with accurate information. Americans in Saudi Arabia say U-S officials tell them that Iraqi artillery would have to be very close to shoot chemical weapons... and air attacks would be swatted down by U-S defenses.

The jury in the Central Park jogger trial re-heard testimony today from several victims about the time of night each person was attacked by a gang of teens last spring. In their sixth day of deliberations... the jurors are apparently trying to piece together a chronology of the attacks that led to a gang-rape.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - President Bush, blaming the budget stalemate on Congress, angrily challenged Democrats on Capitol Hill Tuesday to put up or shut up in talks to cut the federal deficit and avoid catastrophic spending cuts.

''It is the Congress that must move now to bring this deficit under control,'' Bush told reporters at the White House.

''One hundred days after I called on Democrats and Republicans in Congress to work on a bipartisan solution ... the Democrats have yet to offer one full proposal at the budget summit,'' said Bush, who flew back from his Maine vacation home for 24 hours of meetings in Washington on the budget and the Persian Gulf crisis.

''I've been reluctant to go public in this matter,'' Bush said. ''We've dealt in good faith with the leaders, we have played by the rules and now it is up to the Democrats who control Congress.''

With a flash of emotion, Bush said Democrats have been ''laughing all the way to what they think is the electoral bank, saying every time we throw up a proposal, they gun it down and rush off and tell the special interests of one kind or another, 'We're going to protect you.' Ha, ha. Now it's time for them to come forward.''

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine responded with a statement saying Bush's barrage ''was not accurate and not helpful.''

''If there has been an 'abdication of responsibilities' on the budget, it has been on the part of the president,'' Mitchell said. ''The president's anger at the leak of the Republican plan to the press by a Republican negotiator should not serve as a justication for unfair and innaccurate criticism of Democrats.''

The GOP plan - detailed after Bush revoked his ''no new taxes'' campaign pledge - included higher taxes on beer and wine and limits on the amount of state and local taxes that could be deducted from federal taxes. The plan was roundly condemned and drew especially harsh attacks from Republicans in the House.

House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri, chairman of the budget talks that began May 15, issued a statement saying he was ''saddened to see the president resort to partisan complaining on the budget.''

Budget negotiators have been trying for months ''to address a deficit that is the direct result of 10 years of Reagan-Bush economic and fiscal policies,'' Gephardt said.

''Surely, the president realizes that the nation is better served by our working together, with good faith on all sides, than by ill-timed and inaccurate partisan statements,'' House Budget Committee Chairman Leon Panetta, D-Calif., said in a statement.

At his news conference, Bush played down the fact that Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., leaked to reporters the GOP proposal, which never was formally presented to Democrats.

As for GOP hostitilty to the plan, Bush said, ''I can't find anybody elated over any facet of taxes.''

Bush urged Democrats to produce their own proposal ''and set aside politics because it's getting tough now. It's getting right down to the crunch.''

The crunch comes Oct. 1, the start of fiscal year 1991. Failure to reach and implement a deficit reduction agreement by then would mean automatic spending cuts of about $100 billion in spending cuts, split between military and domestic programs.

Budget negotiators hope to develop a deficit reduction package of about $50 billion in fiscal 1991 and $500 billion over five years. Bush said Tuesday he wants to keep those targets despite the cost of sending tens of thousands of U.S. troops to the Middle East.

Also Tuesday, Rep. Bill Frenzel, R-Minn., a budget negotiator, said he was told that when talks resume on or about Sept. 5, they will be held at Andrews Air Force Base, about 15 miles east of Washington, instead of on Capitol Hill. He said he plans to sleep at Andrews.

''Gephardt's office called and said we're meeting at Andrews Air Force Base,'' Frenzel said in an interview.

Gephardt spokeswoman Deborah Johns said, however, that arrangements for the next round of talks are ''still in the planning stages.''

The location at Andrews, home base to Air Force One, could cut down on outside distractions for the negotiators and help them meet an unofficial

deadline of Sept. 10.

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#90226u2431 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 14) UPI - President Bush interrupted his Maine vacation to spend the day in Washington, where he spoke about the crisis in the Middle East. The President has been hearing complaints from other nations arguing that Bush acted too quickly in unilaterally imposing a naval blockade of Iraq. But the president says he believes the United States acted ''legally'' in imposing the blockade. Bush says he sees NO hope for a quick diplomatic solution to the crisis.

Jordan's King Hussein left for the United States today for a meeting with President Bush. Officials say Hussein is carrying a joint Iraqi-Jordanian peace plan. The Jordanian monarch reportedly drafted the proposal with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein with hopes of resolving the Persian Gulf crisis. King Hussein requested the session with Bush after meeting yesterday with Saddam.

Washington Mayor Marion Barry declared today his intention to run for the capital's City Council. Barry said it would be too divisive if he were to seek a fourth term as mayor... after Friday's conviction on one of 14 drug and perjury charges. Barry left the Democratic Party yesterday to become an independent to facilitate a bid for office in the November general election.

Researchers report today that a drug used to prevent the recurrence of breast cancer may also help fight heart disease. The findings result from a two-year study of 140 post-menopausal women who had undergone surgery for breast cancer. University of Wisconsin researchers found that the drug tamoxifen NOT only reduced the chance that the cancer would return... but also significantly lowered cholesterol levels.

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#90226u2440 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
ST. PAUL, Minn. (AUG. 14) UPI - Northwest Airlines announced Tuesday it is lowering domestic fares for travel after Labor Day in a move matching price reductions announced Monday by Trans World Airlines and Eastern Airlines.

In Dallas, American Airlines said it follow the lead of Eastern and TWA but make its fare cuts effectively immediately on all domestic flights.

The new Northwest fares, which will be available in most markets, range from $79 to $139 each way for off-peak travel, depending on the length of the trip. Fares apply to travel noon Monday through noon Thursday and

Saturday and are $40 higher for the remainder of the week.

Northwest said tickets at the low fares can be purchased through Aug. 29 and apply to travel Sept. 5 through Dec. 16, with some blackout dates, especially around Thanksgiving. The nonrefundable tickets require a roundtrip purchase, a Saturday night stayover and must be purchased within 24 hours after reservations are made.

Northwest said it would offer greater discounts to passengers purchasing tickets for late-night, trans-continental flights. The fares will be $119 off-peak and $139 peak for westbound flights departing between 6:45 p.m. and 9 p.m. and for eastward flights departing between 10:30 p.m. and 2:45 a.m.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - A retired K-G-B officer is taking advantage of a new Soviet law allowing citizens to appeal to a court if they believe that the government has violated their rights. In fact, he is suing President Gorbachev and other top officials. The former high-ranking K-G-B member says he was illegally deprived of his honors, rank and pension because he criticized the spy agency. He claims the secret police have NOT abandoned their dirty tricks and still spy on innocent people.

A Dallas jury today sentenced Daniel Joe Hittle to death by injection for the 1989 slaying of a Texas policeman. Prosecutors say Hittle shot the officer after being stopped for a traffic violation last November. He then sped to East Dallas, where he killed four other people. At the time of the shootings, Hittle was on parole for the 1973 shooting deaths of his adoptive parents.

Television actor Todd Bridges today began his second trial in Los Angeles on charges that he shot a cocaine dealer eight times. Bridges... the star of previous T-V sitcoms such as ''Diff'rent Strokes'' and ''Fish...'' is charged with assault with a deadly weapon for the 1989 shooting. Jurors at Bridges' first trial deadlocked... forcing a mistrial. Bridges testified he was so intoxicated from cocaine he did NOT remember shooting the man... who survived.

Movie lovers have shelled out three-BILLION-dollars so far this year at U-S box offices. That's just two percent behind the record-setting pace set last year... when the final tally topped five-BILLION-dollars. ''Die Hard Two'' and the surprising ''Ghost'' are leading the way this summer... while ''Flatliners'' took top honors this weekend. ''Pretty Woman'' is the top-earning movie this year.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - The International Monetary Fund Tuesday announced a $353 million three-year credit package for the government of Bangladesh.

The lending will be provided from the IMF's Enhanced Structural Adjustment Facility, which supports economic-reform programs in low-income nations with concessionary-term loans. The loans are repayable over 10 years with a grace period lasting five and a half years.

The IMF said that $118 million will be available under the first annual lending arrangement.

According to the IMF, Bangladesh's 1990/91-1992/93 economic program aims at achieving an annual economic growth rate of 4.7 percent, a reduction in inflation and further progress on external payments and at alleviating poverty.

The budget deficit is to be reduced by extensive revenue mobilization and restraint on current spending and will continue to be financed primarily by external concessional aid.

Bangladesh's outstanding financial obligations to the IMF total $634 million.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - The World Bank Tuesday announced a $64 million loan to help China develop fruit orchards near the Yangtze River.

The loan will be provided by the International Development Association, the bank's concessional-lending associate.

The project calls for planting or improving about 40,000 acres of orchards mostly in impoverished mountainous areas surrounding the 3,000-mile river that flows from southwestern China to the East China Sea.

The incomes of about 130,000 poor farm families in central China will nearly triple if the project runs according to plan, the bank said.

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PITTSBURGH (AUG. 14) UPI - Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp. and the United Steelworkers reached a tentative contract agreement Tuesday that union officials said restored employees to ''first-class status.''

The tentative agreement was announced approximately 30 hours before a strike deadline that had been set for 12:01 a.m. Thursday.

Workers will receive a $3,000 signing bonus, plus an immediate $1.50 average hourly wage increase. The four-year contract also calls for annual increases of 50 cents in each of the next three years.

''We are going to make steel and make money for Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel '' said Andrew ''Lefty'' Palm, director of USW's District 15 and chairman of the negotiating committee.

''Four years from now, we'll come back and get a better contract.'' Neale Trangucci, a partner of Wheeling-Pittsburgh co-owner Ron LaBow, said. ''It's a good contract for the union and the company. It took a lot of work.''

The contract is subject to vote by the union membership, which will be conducted by mail within two weeks, Palm said.

It calls for employees to be offered a new profit-sharing plan, restores one week of vacation, vacation bonuses, five holidays and overtime pay.

Wheeling-Pittsburgh is emerging from bankruptcy and the terms of the four-year contract will become effective once a reorganization plan is approved by a federal bankruptcy court in September.

The contract will extend through March 1, 1994.

Palm said that as part of the contract, workers will receive approximately 55 percent of claims for money owed them during the bankruptcy, or $13,000 each in stock and cash.

The contract affects approximately 5,500 Wheeling-Pittsburgh workers in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Ohio.

Wheeling-Pittsburgh is the country's eighth-largest steelmaker.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - Farmers enrolled 168.8 million acres of wheat, feed grains, cotton and rice land in the farm program this year - 78 percent of the land that was eligible, the Agriculture Department said Tuesday.

The highest enrollment rate was for rice, with 95 percent of the eligible land signed into the program. The lowest rate was 10 percent for oats.

Farmers have complained in recent years that support prices for oats were too low.

As a result of the enrollment, 26 million acres of crop land were taken out of production this year.

In order to qualify for governent benefits such as loans and subsidy payments farmers were required to idle 5 percent of their wheat, oat and American-Pima cotton land, 10 percent of their corn, sorghum and barley land, 12.5 percent of their Upland cotton land and 20 percent of their rice land.

The enrollment rates were 78.3 percent for corn, 77.7 percent for sorghum, 69.2 percent for barley, 10 percent for oats, 82.9 percent for wheat, 86.9 percent for Upland cotton, 23.3 percent for American-Pima cotton and 95.1 percent for rice.

The overall enrollment figure was similar to the 77.8 percent reported in 1989 when 171 million acres were in the program. In 1988, the enrollment rate was 84 percent.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 14) UPI - The Iraq government said Tuesday that an estimated 3,000 Americans stranded in Iraq and occupied Kuwait were not being allowed to leave and no timetable has been set for their departure.

ABC News, quoting sources in Iraq's foreign ministry in Baghdad, said Tuesday that Iraq has now labeled Americans in Iraq and Kuwait as ''restrictees'' who will not be allowed to leave until the crisis in the Persian Gulf is resolved.

There were an estimated 2,500 Americans in Kuwait and another 500 to 600 U.S. citizens in Iraq who have been stranded since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said he was not familiar with the report and thus could not comment on it.

Haitham al Najjar, first secretary of the Iraq Embassy in Washington, confirmed that Americans were not being allowed to leave Iraq and Kuwait and gave no timetable for their release.

''This is true, but it is not a new development. We have been saying since the beginning of the crisis that they can't leave because we are responsible for their safety and only diplomats are now able to go,'' Haitham said in an interview with United Press International.

''They are not prisoners and not hostages,'' he said, but added, ''They are not being allowed to leave at the present time due to the exceptional circumstances. The government might issue some instructions for these foreigners to leave, but that depends on the situation. They will be able to leave when it is possible to do so.

''We can assure you they are living happily, comfortably and in peace and are being visited by the U.S. charge d' affaires in Baghdad,'' Haitham said.

The Iraqi diplomat also said the fate of the Americans was not necessarily tied to Thursday's scheduled meeting between President Bush and Jordan's King Hussein at the president's vacation home in Maine.

Hussein, who is assuming the role of mediator in the conflict, is said to be carrying a peace initiative from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

''There is no connection between a possible government decision to allow foreigners to leave and King Hussein's visit,'' Haitham said. ''Iraq can make a decision at any time.''

ABC News correspondent Ted Koppel, reporting from Baghdad, said he asked a Foreign Ministry official in the Iraqi capital whether the Americans were being held hostage.

''It is not a word that the Iraqis like to use, but the official conceded to me that even though all of the Americans he said were being well treated and well-housed and that they are in no immediate danger, nevertheless they were not free to leave,'' Koppel said.

''He called them restrictees and made the point that their exit from Iraq was going to be restricted until this crsis is over.''

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(AUG. 14) UPI - Jordan's King Hussein flys to Washington to meet with President Bush, carrying a joint Iraqi-Jordanian peace plan he drafted with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis. British and U.S. ships patrolling the tense waters of the gulf, meanwhile, are under orders to interdict Iraqi shipping, and a British frigate challenged a Cypriot oil tanker thought to be carrying Iraqi oil.

The five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council agree to discuss a Soviet suggestion to create a U.N. military command in the Persian Gulf

for joint operations against Iraq. A meeting ''no later than the end of this week'' at U.N. headquarters in New York is to include ambassadors from Britain, France, the Soviet Union and China.

Senior Kuwaiti officials say the Iraqi invasion of Kuwiat can only be reversed through military action by the United States, Saudi Arabia and other nations. The officials are pessimistic about the success of economic sanctions against Iraq.

Iraq says an estimated 3,000 Americans stranded in Iraq and occupied Kuwait are not being allowed to leave and no timetable has been set for their departure. Sources in Iraq's foreign ministry in Baghdad are labeling the Americans in Iraq and Kuwait as ''restrictees.''

Iraq hurriedly seeks to reinforce its tiny navy and merchant marine and to circumvent U.N. sanctions. Gulf and European shipping sources say Iraq is looking both for warships and merchant vessels, but the nation will have severe problems with its search.

Wide compliance with U.N. sanctions against Iraq could make it feel the economic pinch soon, officials and analysts said, but they emphasized that Baghdad's capacity to endure shouldn't be underestimated.

Kuwait's government in exile has organized small bands of resistance fighters who have been conducting nightly raids across Saudi Arabia into the occupied emirate, reportedly killing several Iraqi soldiers. There were no immediate indications of the effectiveness of the opposition.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - President Bush gave a warning today to Jordan's King Hussein , who is soon to be a guest at his house. Bush says ''it might well be'' necessary to close down the Jordanian port of Aqaba.

Jordan's foreign minister says Jordan respects the U-N resolutions, but is looking for a way to impose the sanctions ''without being hurt.'' In the Persian Gulf, a British frigate today challenged a Cypriot oil tanker

thought to be carrying Iraqi oil. The tanker went on its way after indicating it had NO cargo. Two Iraqi tankers also were turned away from the United Arab Emirates.

One of the two rebel factions in Liberia's civil war says it killed rival guerrilla leader Prince Johnson. The defense minister for rebel chief Charles Taylor says Johnson was ambushed last night on an island near the Liberian capital of Monrovia. But a spokesman for the U-S State Department says a reliable source claims Johnson was seen alive after the alleged attack. Taylor and Johnson have been vying to be the first to overthrow Liberian President Samuel Doe.

The Hubble Space Telescope- first advertised as a prodigy, then condemned as a failure- is about to prove just how good or bad it is. Astronomers will begin a series of tests Thursday to determine how accurate the instrument is. For two weeks, NASA will focus Hubble on galaxies, double stars and star clusters. The telescope has blurry vision because its mirror was ground INcorrectly.

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TALLAHASSEE, FL (AUG. 15) UPI - FundAmerica Inc. was ordered Tuesday to immediately stop its sales program in Florida and pay $8 million in fines for alleged fraud and sales of unregistered securities.

State Comptroller Gerald Lewis said the California company, which charges members up to $3,200 for price breaks on credit card fees, airline tickets or other services, is really an illegal pyramid scheme, with 98 percent of its income derived from the sale of new memberships.

Lewis, who regulates the Florida securities industry, imposed the penalties after FundAmerica failed to respond to a complaint filed July 19 by the state.

''By imposing the largest fine ever levied in a Florida investor protection case, we are sending a message to con artists contemplating operations in this state that fraud will not be tolerated,'' Lewis said.

Criminal charges have also been filed against FundAmerica and its president, Robert Edwards, said Statewide Prosecutor Peter Antonacci.

Additionally, Attorney General Bob Butterworth has gone to court under Florida's consumer protection laws, seeking a cease-and-desist order on grounds FundAmerica committed unfair and deceptive trade practices.

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(AUG. 14) UPI - A former Northwest Airlines pilot testified today that he ''absolutely did NOT'' fly under the influence of alcohol during a March flight from Fargo, North Dakota, to Minneapolis. Robert Kirchner also said he did NOT violate a federal rule prohibiting pilots from consuming alcohol within eight hours of a flight. But in a trial with two other crew members, Kirchner admitted he broke Northwest's ban on drinking within 12 hours of a flight.

A man poisoned by a cocaine-laced malt drink is breathing on his own today. Hospital officials in Miami say the victim's condition improved one day after he was declared brain-dead... and just hours before he was to be taken off life-support systems. Investigators believe Colombian drug traffickers were attempting to smuggle cocaine into the United States by dissolving it in the malt... and later filtering it out... but somehow lost track of the shipment.

The woman whose romantic affairs with members of the clergy caused an upheaval in Atlanta's Roman Catholic community has been hospitalized. 27-year-old Vicki Long is said to be suffering from mysterious abdominal pain. Long reportedly had a two-year affair with Archbishop Eugene Marino... the highest-ranking black in the church, who stepped down before admitting the involvement. Long also says she had affairs with two other Georgia priests.

Chicago-based Operation PUSH today urged its supporters to put electrical tape over the logos on their Nike shoes as part of a boycott against the company. PUSH also targeted 10 cities for UNspecified ''direct action'' against the maker of the athletic shoes. Nike questions the motivation behind the PUSH action and defended its commitment to the black community.

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#90226u2832 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 14) UPI - A firefighter battling wildfires in northern California died of massive head injuries today- a day that saw other fires taper off in the West. Despite the ebb, three fires are still burning across 22-thousand acres of Yosemite National Park.

The second Red Cross hostage freed by Palestinian extremists in a week flew home to Switzerland today after 10 months captivity. Elio Erriquez was handed over to Syrian authorities in West Beirut last night and driven from Lebanon to Damascus.

Police in Peru say a series of terrorist attacks last night and early today left three people dead and 19 wounded. The attacks included a car bombing near the presidential residence that injured at least five passers-by.

Organizers of a 48-hour general strike that began yesterday in the Dominican Republic say the work stoppage may be extended if the government fails to stop violence against protesters. So far, at least four people have been killed in the strike that has paralyzed the Caribbean island nation.

Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel arrived in Mexico today for a two-day visit aimed at beefing-up bilateral relations between the two countries. Earlier, in Managua, he signed a trade expansion accord with Nicaragua.

A judge in Santa Monica, California, today accepted the four-Million-dollar estate of actor Marlon Brando as bail for his son, Christian. The younger Brando... who's charged with the murder of his half-sister's boyfriend... has been in jail nearly three months. He's expected to be freed tomorrow.

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#90226u2905 08/14/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 14) UPI - The estimated three-thousand Americans in Iraq and occupied Kuwait reportedly will NOT be allowed to leave until the Persian Gulf crisis is resolved. Sources in Iraq's foreign ministry in Baghdad are labeling the Americans as ''restrictees.'' An official of the Iraq Embassy in Washington confirms that the Americans are NOT being allowed to leave and gave NO timetable for their release. But he insists the U-S citizens are ''NOT hostages.''

King Hussein of Jordan headed to the United States today for meetings with President Bush and Secretary of State Baker. Officials say the monarch is carrying a joint Iraqi-Jordanian peace plan he drafted with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis. The conflict was sparked by Iraq's occupation of Kuwait and left King Hussein in a financial and political squeeze.

President Bush returned to Washington from his vacation home in Maine to deal with the budget and the Middle East crisis. In fiscal matters, the president blamed Congress for the problems... saying lawmakers must move now to bring the deficit under control. And since the Democrats control Congress, the president clearly placed the burden in their laps... saying it's time for Democrats on Capitol Hill ''to put up or shut up.''

The Soviet justice minister is asking U-S judges for help in creating an independent judicial system in the Soviet Union. The official met with U-S Attorney General Thornburgh and the nation's top state judges today in Bolton Landing, New York. The minister asked the judges how best to insulate the judiciary from the Soviet political system and how to build a jury system. He said his nation longs for ''genuine independent courts.''

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#90226u2911 08/14/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 14) UPI - A firefighter died today of injuries suffered combating a blaze in northern California. Kenneth Enslow was struck by a falling branch yesterday and died of massive head injuries. The majority of wildfires were sparked by lightning strikes last week and ravaged more than 400-thousand acres in seven states. Today, officials report many of the fires were either extinguished or largely contained.

The jury in the Central Park ''wilding'' trial again today reviewed videotaped statements made by two of three teen-agers on trial for rape and attempted murder. The jury also heard a reading of testimony about when victims were attacked on the night of the April 1989 attack in New York. The jury seems to be trying to establish the time and sequence of events leading up to the nearly fatal attack on an investment banker who had been out jogging.

A federal judge in Norfolk, Virginia, ruled today that those who salvaged gold from a sunken ship are entitled to keep it. The judge awarded ownership of a 19th century shipwreck to the Columbus-America salvaging group. The group has brought up a ton of gold from the ship off the South Carolina coast since last summer. Insurance companies object that they paid for the lost gold. Others claim their research led Columbus-America to the booty.

An elderly lobster has been saved from a supermarket raffle and returned to the briny deep. The 16-inch-long lobster is an estimated 70 years old and is over the legal size for catching. Shopper Bonnie Hazen rescued the crustacean from a tank in Canonsburg, Pennsylvania... and sent him back to Maine. Most lobsters that are eaten have NOT yet reached sexual maturity. But Hazen says this shellfish was ''in his prime'' and ''should be in the ocean procreating.''

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NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacesetter Business Properties (PSE:PBP) reported a net loss of $812,000, or 53 cents per share, on revenues of $2,178,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $1,312,000, or 85 cents per share, on revenues of $2,172,000 for the same period in 1989, Steven R. Strauss, president, announced Wednesday.

The 1989 results included a reserve for estimated assessments resulting from an examination by the Internal Revenue Service for the 1983 and 1984 tax years. This reserve increased the company's after-tax loss in 1989 by

$899,000. No such reserve has been recorded in 1990.

The major reason for other changes in activity from 1989 to 1990 is the addition of interest and property tax expenses in 1990 related to the Corona improved industrial land now held for development and/or sale.

As described in the company's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989, the company is considering alternative corporate strategies and sources of cash. As of Aug. 13, 1990, the outstanding amount of indebtedness under the company's line of credit, which has a stated maturity of Aug. 1, 1990, was approximately $750,000.

The company is currently negotiating the sale of certain notes receivable secured by real estate in order to generate cash to repay this indebtedness.

Although a definitive agreement has not yet been executed, the company presently expects to consummate a transaction by the end of August 1990 that will yield net proceeds of approximately $1 million, of which approximately $750,000 will be utilized to repay the company's line of credit indebtedness described above. No assurance can be given, however, that such a sale will be consummated.

The pre-tax losses for Pacesetter Business Properties, which primarily develops commercial and industrial properties for long-term investment, include depreciation expense of $632,000 and $513,000 for the quarters ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively, on rental properties held by the company for investment.

As previously reported, Pacesetter Business Preperties was spun-off to its shareholders in a tax-free stock distribution by its former parent company American Pacesetter, on June 30, 1988. On that date, Pacesetter Business Properties commenced operations as a separate publicly-held company.

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WAUKESHA, WI (AUG. 15) - Criticare Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:CXIM) a manufacturer and marketer of medical monitoring equipment, today reported record revenue of $18,206,372 for fiscal year 1990, a 32 percent increase from revenue of $13,809,074 reported in fiscal 1989.

Revenue for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 increased for the fourth consecutive quarter to $5,527,390, a 53 percent increase from revenue of $3,610,587 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Net income for fiscal year 1990 rose 233 percent to $338,963, or 5 cents per share, from a loss of $(254,006) or (4 cents) per share, for the prior year. Net income for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 rose 154 percent to $243,123, or 3 cents per share, from a loss of $(446,183) or (7 cents) per share, reported for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Gerhard Von der Ruhr, president commented that the increase in revenue was a result of the combination of the continued effectiveness of the direct sales force, Alternate Care and International Divisions as well as an expanded product line.

Von der Ruhr further elaborated that improved profit results were directly related to the increased sales volume and maintaining engineering and administrative expenses at fiscal year 1989 levels for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

The company's net results were affected by a non-cash loss for the 12-month period of $517,000 due to its investment in the rehabilitation of an historic structure in Milwaukee. The company expects these losses to decline as the building leases up.

Criticare Systems Inc. is involved in the development, manufacturing and marketing of diagnostic and therapeutic products which address two major concerns in health care: the need to improve patient management, and the pressure to contain costs in all aspects of medical practice. The company's products include pulse oximeters and carbon dioxide and anesthetic agent monitors in addition to other vital sign monitoring equipment.

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DENVER (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Forest Oil Corp. announced Wednesday that it has entered into an exploration agreement with Walter Oil & Gas Corp. of Houston to drill an initial exploratory well on Vermillion Block 275 offshore Louisiana.

The well was spudded on Aug. 13, 1990 and will be drilled to a vertical depth of 14,000 feet in approximately 170 feet of water.

Forest currently owns a 100 percent working interest in the 5,000 acre tract purchased at the 1989 federal offshore lease sale. Under the agreement Walter will earn a 50 percent working interest in the block. Walter will act as operator for the exploratory and any subsequent

development phases of the operation.

Forest Oil Corp. is engaged in the exploration for and acquisition, development and production of oil and natural gas. The company's principal reserves and producing properties are located offshore Louisiana and in Texas, Wyoming, Oklahoma and Alberta, Canada. The company is traded on the NASDAQ/NMS system, under the FOIL symbol.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Frontier Adjusters of America Inc. (NASDAQ:FRON), one of the fastest growing independent insurance adjusting companies in the United States, Wednesday announced record revenue and net income for its year ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported net income of $709,413, or 17 cents per share, on revenue of $3,788,345 for the year compared to net income of $474,257, or 11 cents per share, on revenue of $3,020,301 in the previous year.

That represents a 50 percent increase in net income and a 25 percent increase in revenue over fiscal 1989. Gross billings, which are customer billings by all Frontier offices, grew 21 percent to $29 million from $24 million in fiscal 1988.

William J. Rocke, president of Frontier, attributed the improved results to three factors: One, growth among existing Frontier offices, combined with revenue from new Frontier offices, resulted in a 20 percent increase in continuing license and franchise fees over last year; two, a 40 percent increase in fees from company owned adjusting operations; and, three, a slight increase in fees from the company's risk management operation.

Frontier had a net increase of 34 new offices during the fiscal year, bringing the total number of Frontier offices to 402 in 47 states plus Canada.

Frontier increased its quarterly dividend to 1 cent during the year and in August announced a special 1 cent dividend. Total assets at year ended had increased 44 percent, to $3.4 million from $2.4 million. Stockholders' equity increased nearly 33 percent during the like period.

One of only three publicly held insurance adjusting networks in the United States, Frontier will hold its annual meeting of shareholders in Phoenix in October.

Frontier Adjusters of America Inc.
Financial Highlights
Fiscal Year Ended
June 30,

	1990	1989
Gross billings of licensees and franchisees	$29,000,000	$24,000,000
Revenue	3,788,345	3,020,301
Net income	$ 709,413	$ 474,257
Income per share	17 cents	11 cents

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SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Xerox Wednesday announced the immediate availability of Xerox Chemical Illustrator scientific application software that is targeted at the pharmaceutical, chemical and related industries.

The new software marks another entry into the company's collaborative systems and publishing solutions.

Designed in direct collaboration with pharmaceutical and chemical industry users, the software addresses the recurring productivity problem chemists and pharmacologists have had documenting and communicating their ideas.

Chemical Illustrator allows professionals in the pharmaceutical, medical and petrochemical industries to easily create complex representations of chemical formulas and structures -- incorporating vector graphics and text -- instead of drawing them by hand.

Chemical Illustrator provides direct creation and editing of chemical structures such as rings, bonds and symbols plus basic drawing tools such as arrows, brackets, arcs and curves. It can be customized to an individual's drawing style or to meet departmental style guidelines.

A key capability allows users to edit chemical structures within the document, whereas in many cases today, users must edit inside a separate on-screen window and then cut-and-paste the document together.

Built upon the Xerox-pioneered ViewPoint graphical user interface and currently running on Xerox 6085 workstations, Chemical Illustrator can be

used by a novice, scientific support person or research chemist.

Because users' requirements vary, Xerox packaged Chemical Illustrator in two parts -- Xerox Illustrator Basics and Xerox Chemical Illustrator. This allows customers to purchase only what is needed.

Xerox Illustrator Basics provides viewing and printing capabilities for support staff, management personnel and others who need to work with, but not draw or edit, documents that contain chemical drawings. Chemists and other staff members who create, edit and print chemical drawings will need both Illustrator Basics and Chemical Illustrator.

The Xerox Chemical Illustrator is available immediately and can be ordered directly from the Xerox Integrated Systems Operations. The United States single unit list price is $795 for Xerox Chemical Illustrator software and $195 for Xerox Illustrator Basics. Volume discounts are available.

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SIGNAL HILL, CA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Signal Hill could reap a development dividend of up to $268 million in addition to an annual general fund surplus, according to a study released in Signal Hill Wednesday by Southwest Diversified (SWD).

In publishing the study, SWD Senior Vice President Michael R. Engle said "Combined with a commercial/retail Town Center, our residential development wouldn't cost Signal Hill a penny - the revenue would far exceed every dollar spent for services." SWD, Signal Hill's largest property owner, is currently negotiating to develop Signal Hill's Hilltop and surrounding areas.

The study is titled, "The Fiscal and Financial Impact of Various Residential Development Densities." It analyzes two Town Center configurations and three residential scenarios: (a) SWD's originally proposed 1,279 dwellings; (b) a reduction to 1,000 dwellings; and (c) 425 dwellings, the minimum in SWD's proposed agreement with the city.

Engle said that copies of the study, dated July 15 and prepared by Irvine-based David Taussig and Associates Inc., are available to any interested parties from SWD's Signal Hill office.

The financial impact consists of new property tax revenues to the Signal Hill Redevelopment Agency (RDA). These would be generated by the proposed development and would translate to more money in RDA coffers available to

the city for improved services, enhanced infrastructure and a better quality of life in Signal Hill for all its citizens and businesses.

With 1,279 dwellings, the annual property tax increment accruing to the city at project build-out would be approximately $5 million, or a cumulative total of $268 million when the RDA matures in 2024. At a minimum, with 425 homes, an annual property tax increment of approximately $2.7 million would accumulate to a total of about $149 million by the year 2024.

Sales and other use taxes from the new residential and commercial/retail development would also exceed annual city costs at project build-out. At 1,000 dwellings, for example, residential and commercial/retail development could generate $1,003,000 in recurring revenues versus $790,000 in recurring costs.

Paid for by sales and use taxes would be increased police protection; street, signal and drainage maintenance; street lighting; park and median landscape maintenance; community services and general government administration. Over and above these increased services, Signal Hill would accumulate an additional annual surplus for the city's general fund of up to $213,000, or as much as $7.2 million over a 30 year period.

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REDMOND, WA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. and Pioneer Software Wednesday announced the availability of Q+E version 2.5, an easy-to-use database query and edit tool that links Microsoft Excel for Windows and other Windows applications to external databases.

Q+E version 2.5 supports Microsoft SQL Server, the highest- performing PC database management system in the industry, plus dBASER-compatible databases and ASCII text files.

This new version of Q+E is compatible with Microsoft Windows environment version 3.0, delivering all of the benefits of the graphical environment. To browse through databases or select, sort and join database files, users simply use the mouse to click to on-screen icons. Q+E users can easily extract information from numerous sources and download the data into Microsoft Excel for analysis.

Q+E version 2.5 features a new modular architecture as opposed to its previous structure, where capabilities were contained in a single executable file. Q+E is now composed of two parts: a user interface layer

and a driver layer. This design will enable Q+E to access a wider variety of databases as new drivers are developed, and it allows users to conserve memory by loading only the drivers they need.

Additional new features in version 2.5 include interface improvements, such as forms and movable columns, for an even closer resemblance to Microsoft Excel; and the ability to define databases from within Q+E.

Obtaining information from external databases is easy with Microsoft Excel for Windows and Q+E. Version 2.5 is seamlessly integrated into Microsoft Excel. When users install Q+E, the needed commands are added to the Microsoft Excel Data menu. Q+E transparently extends the Microsoft Excel built-in database by automatically generating industry-standard Structured Query Language (SQL) commands to extract information from external databases. Once the desired file is located, Q+E automatically generates the SQL query to access the database.

Q+E version 2.5 allows users to browse and sort through databases before importing the data to create a spreadsheet. Several database tables or files can be viewed on the screen at the same time, which makes it easier to create a ''join'' of several tables or to browse through related but separate databases.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ: MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, hardware and CD ROM products for the microcomputer marketplace.

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REDONDO BEACH, CA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Manufacturing division of TRW's Electronic Systems Group has won a $2 million contract to upgrade techniques for manufacturing advanced composite components for spacecraft, Dr. Robert M Fielding, the division's vice president and general manager, said Wednesday.

The 12-month contract, sponsored by the Air Force's Space Systems division, is part of the government's Industrial Modernization Incentive Program (IMIP), a joint industry/government effort to develop and implement advanced manufacturing techniques in critical national defense areas. TRW

is a preeminent builder of advanced spacecraft for defense, civil, and scientific use.

"Composite materials offer a means to build lighter and stronger spacecraft structures," reports Dr. Fielding. "Every pound saved represents a reduction in launch costs or an opportunity to add more capability to the spacecraft."

Among the steps being taken is the development of an electronic (or "paperless") manufacturing environment for composite materials in which the drawings and specifications of engineers and designers are transferred directly from their computers to the computer which drives the machines which perform the actual manufacturing processes.

"IMIP is a three-stage program," reports Gerald A. Herr, manager of strategic manufacturing technologies and systems. "Phase 1 identifies manufacturing areas or processes that are candidates for improvement; in Phase 2, an IMIP contractor will design, build, and test improvements for one or more of the candidates selected; in Phase 3, capital is committed, the necessary hardware/software obtained, and the improvements implemented."

IMIP is a joint effort, with the government funding Phases 1 and 2 and the contractor funding Phase 3. "All results are public domain and are available to other manufacturers," Herr adds.

The Manufacturing division is the manufacturing "center of excellence" of TRW's Space & Defense Sector. Operations include the fabrication, assembly, and test of high-reliability space hardware; spacecraft bus and payload electronics, structures, antennas, solar arrays, and associated support equipment.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Old Stone Corp., a $3.7 billion asset diversified financial services company, Wednesday announced that it has discontinued efforts to sell its North Carolina bank subsidiary since management has determined that the economic and regulatory climate which has developed over the course of the year is not favorable to the divestiture of this operation on acceptable terms.

The company had originally announced the sale as part of a restructuring plan in late 1989.

Said President and Chief Executive Officer Theodore W. Barnes, ''Frankly,

a general downturn in the economy and continuing regulatory examinations throughout the country have removed many potential bidders from the market for this type of acquisition for the time being. Old Stone Bank of North Carolina is a highly capitalized and profitable company and it would not be prudent to pursue its sale in this climate.''

Instead, the corporation announced it will explore the sale of other assets including the potential sale of all or a portion of Old Stone Credit Corp. Old Stone Credit Corp., headquartered in Jacksonville, Fla., originates first and second residential mortgages for sale into the secondary market.

''We believe that other corporate assets, such as Old Stone Credit Corporation, will be attractive to a different investor market which is not subject to the same factors as those seeking to acquire regulated thrift entities,'' continued Barnes.

Since it first announced its restructuring plan, Old Stone Corp. has sold its California-based residential real estate construction lending unit, its tuition-budgeting company and its Seattle-based retail branch network.

These sales were a major factor in the corporation's principal subsidiary, Old Stone Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, headquartered in Providence, R.I., meeting its current minimum risk-based capital requirements earlier than planned. The company anticipates that the proposed sale of Old Stone Credit Corp. will allow Old Stone Bank to meet new increased minimum standards which become effective in January 1991.

Old Stone Corp. operates 179 offices in 25 states. It engages in retail and mortgage banking and commercial lending as well as money management and trust services. Its stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System (Symbol: OSTN).

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The MacNeal-Schwendler Corp. (MSC) (ASE:MNS) Wedenesday reported record revenues and strong earnings for the second quarter ended July 31, 1990.

Revenues for the three months ended July 31, 1990, were $13,430,000, an increase of 19 percent over the $11,259,000, reported for the three months ended July 31, 1989. Income from operations of $3,715,000, increased over

the $3,672,000, reported for the second quarter of last year.

Net income of $2,579,000 was the same for the three months ended July 31, 1990 and 1989. Income per share of 22 cents was up 1 cent per share from the second quarter of the prior year.

Revenues for the six months ended July 31, 1990, were $26,236,000, an increase of 20 percent over the $21,949,000, reported for the six months ended July 31, 1989. Income from operations of $7,620,000, represents a 10 percent increase over the $6,932,000, reported for the second quarter of last year.

Net income for the six months ended July 31, 1990, was $5,166,000, compared with $4,863,000, reported for the same period of the prior year. Income per share of 43 cents was up 8 percent, or 3 cents per share, from the second quarter of the prior year.

The MacNeal-Schwendler Corp., with headquarters in Los Angeles, markets computer software products for computer-aided engineering (CAE) applications. The company's principal product is MSC/NASTRAN, a sophisticated computer program used by designers and engineers to analyze the strength characteristics and dynamic response of structures or products prior to construction or manufacture. -0-

Note to Editors: MSC and MSC/ are registered service and trademarks of The MacNeal-Schwendler Corp. NASTRAN is a registered trademark of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. MSC/NASTRAN is an enhanced, proprietary version of NASTRAN developed, marketed and supported by MSC.

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DENVER, CO (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Schield Management Co. (NASDAQ:SMCC) Wednesday announced it has signed a three year employment agreement with Howard Hebert, formerly of Newhard, Cook Advisory Services Inc.

Under the agreement, new advisory contracts with clients will be with the newly formed Schield/Hebert Asset Management Inc. It is anticipated that approximately $20 million or more in assets will be managed initially.

This will increase the total assets under management of Schield Management Co. by about 10 percent.

Hebert has provided institutional investment research for the past 22 years and has managed money for the past 12 years. His equity management

philosophy has been geared toward owning the strongest stocks within the strongest groups.

President Marshall L. Schield stated: ''This is a more traditional money management service which broadens our product base and compliments our existing market timing service and Schield Portfolios Series of mutual funds.

''This diversification will strengthen our competitive presence in the investment management marketplace. This is one more step toward our goal of becoming a larger, diversified company by providing a vehicle for small and mid-sized asset management and financial services firms to consolidate or affiliate with.''

Schield Management Co. has provided investment management services since 1972 and has over $200 million in assets under management. They are one of the larger providers of market timing services in the country.

The Schield Portfolios Series, formed in 1985, consists of five mutual funds, including the recently launched Progressive Environmental Fund.

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Wasatch Education Systems Corp. (NASDAQ:WESC) announced Wednesday unaudited results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenue for the quarter increased 40 percent from the second quarter of 1989 to $3.1 million. For the six months, revenue was up 66 percent at $5.4 million. This second quarter report signifies the largest quarterly revenue in the company's history.

Net loss for the second quarter of $366,000, is compared to a small net income for the second quarter of 1989. This was primarily the result of the company's planned commitment to increase its sales and marketing efforts in order to achieve market share gains and an overall increase in revenue. For the first six months of 1990 compared to 1989, net loss has been reduced by 42 percent, or $419,000, from $991,000 to $572,000.

William G. Anthony, president and chief executive officer commented, ''We are very pleased with our sales performance through the first half of 1990. With record-breaking revenue for the second quarter now behind us, we anticipate continued gains throughout 1990 as the historically strongest quarters in our industry remain ahead of us.'' Anthony

continued, ''...during the second half of 1990 we anticipate reaping the reward of our preparedness in the field and we will be focusing on earnings.''

Wasatch Education Systems Corp., of Salt Lake City, develops and markets fully integrated computer-aided learning systems for the elementary and secondary markets and for adult students enrolled in basic education programs. Wasatch Education Systems Corp.'s stock is traded over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol WESC.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Inc. Wednesday announced that it has signed a patent cross-license agreement with International Business Machines Corp. (IBM) pursuant to which each company granted the other a worldwide, non-exclusive license covering patents having an effective filing date before July 1, 1995.

Because of the size of the IBM patent portfolio relative to that of Sun, a net royalty payment of a fixed dollar amount will be paid by Sun to IBM. The payment will be made in five annual installments. These payments will not have a materially adverse effect on Sun's financial position or results of operations.

Sun and IBM began negotiations over this agreement in July 1988.

Specific terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, Calif., is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

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TORONTO, ONTARIO (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Delrina Technology Inc., (TSE:DC) the developer of the industry leading forms processing software, PerFORM, Wednesday announced a form-trace product to automate creation of PerFORM forms under Windows 3.0.

The yet-to-be-named program was developed under exclusive license by Andromeda Software of Thousand Oaks, Calif. Andromeda wrote the popular autotrace program Streamline, published by Adobe Systems.

Form-trace is a brand new technology using pattern recognition techniques which automatically and interactively recognizes form objects, such as boxes, lines and combs, etc. The software converts scanned forms into PerFORM format output files. Future versions of the product will also include optical character recognition capability.

The form-trace product will be marketed as a stand-alone version for IBM PC-AT, PS/2 and compatibles running Windows 3.0. For optimum performance 2 or more megabytes of RAM memory should be installed on a 386-class computer. Pricing and delivery date has not been determined.

This advisory marks the third product Delrina has introduced for Microsoft's new Windows graphical environment. The company recently announced a range of PC fax board drivers and applications. Its PerFORM PRO, a high-end forms processing solution for demanding users, is expected to ship within several weeks.

The company markets its software products through a worldwide dealership network of more than 2,000 outlets. Delrina Technology Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Delrina Corp.

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HAYWARD, CA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Carolyn Bean Publishing Ltd. announced Wednesday that Wal-Mart Stores Inc. has agreed to test market Sierra Club boxed Christmas cards in 50 of its estimated 1,500 retail outlets.

Company President Bruce Wilson stated, ''The Sierra Club line of Christmas cards compliments Wal-Mart's strong stance on environmental issues and we are looking forward to a successful test this year and further expansion in the Wal-Mart chain for the 1991 Christmas season.''

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Bruce Wilson, 415/732-9320

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SEATTLE (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Washington Natural Gas Co. has reached

an out-of-court settlement with former holders of its Series D and Series E preferred stock, announced James A. Thorpe, chairman and chief executive officer of Washington Energy Co., the parent company of Washington Natural Gas.

The settlement is subject to a ''definitive settlement agreement,'' according to Thorpe. Washington Energy Co. anticipates a charge against its earnings in the fourth quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, of approximately 17 cents a share for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1990.

The former preferred owners were Ford Motor Credit Co., MDFC Equipment Leasing Co. and Westinghouse Credit Corp.

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ENGLEWOOD, COLO. (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Dynamics Inc. (NASDAQ:MEDY), a provider of micro-invasive surgical and diagnostic camera systems, Wednesday announced results for its third quarter and nine-month period ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported a net loss of $226,100, or 5.5 cents per share, on revenue of $749,300 for the third quarter vs. net income of $163,500, or 6.7 cents per share, on revenue of $986,600 for the same quarter a year ago. For the nine-month period the company reported a net loss of $513,400, or 13.1 cents per share, on revenue of $2,359,600 compared to a net loss of $157,000, or 6.9 cents per share, on revenue of $2,584,000.

Van A. Horsley, president and chief executive officer of Medical Dynamics, attributed the net loss through nine months to three factors: One, slower-than-expected sales of the company's new Model 5990 Optical Catheter System; two, decreasing orders from OEM customer R. Wolf for Model 5940 systems; and three, a nearly $200,000 write-off of obsolete inventory during the second quarter.

He said start-up costs associated with the new Model 5960 system and an increase in sales and marketing expense also contributed to the net loss.

Medical Dynamics sold three Model 5990 Optical Catheter Systems during the quarter, bringing to 12 the total number sold since the product was introduced last year. The company received an order from another OEM customer for 60 Model 5960 systems. Delivery on this order began in June and will continue through October 1990.

Horsley said the Model 5960 system, successor to the Model 5940 system, is

ideally suited to the emerging laparoscopic surgery market and added that the popularity of the 5960 is expected to increase both as new applications for the product are developed and as more physicians are trained in its use.

The company's cash positon was strong through nine months at approximately $1.6 million. During the third quarter the company received $644,000 through the exercise by shareholders of common stock purchase warrants, raising to $906,000 the amount of money raised through warrant exercise to date.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Bishop Inc. (NASDAQ:BISH) a leading supplier of engineering design products and systems, Wednesday reported revenues of $2,370,000 for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 ended June 30, which represents a 3 percent decline from $2,444,000 recorded a year ago.

Revenues also declined 3 percent for the nine months ended June 30, to $7,317,000 from $7,526,000 for the same period last year.

In line with expectations, the company incurred a net loss of $511,000, or 22 cents per share, in the third quarter compared with a net loss of $330,000, or 14 cents per share, a year ago. For the respective nine-month periods, Bishop reported a deficit of $872,000, or 37 cents per share, vs. a loss of $393,000, or 17 cents per share.

Regarding results, John J. Theiss, president and chief executive officer, said, ''A pattern of deepening losses during the year had been anticipated as we incurred costs to reposition our operations to compete more effectively in the engineering design market. With major aspects of our long-range program now in place, we expect to reverse this trend, beginning in the fourth quarter.''

Key to future results is the company's increasing emphasis on computer aided design systems offered through their InterCad subsidiary. InterCad sales, which now account for more than 40 percent of total revenues, doubled in the third quarter from a year ago, nearly offsetting the continued decline in demand for traditional printed circuit design products.

Expanding their product line from specific computer aided designs to general engineering workstation applications, InterCad's growth continues to outpace the industry. Further gains are expected as InterCad provides the higher margin, sophisticated consulting and training services needed by its customers.

During the third quarter, Bishop consolidated the Northern California operations. The company combined its traditional engineering design products with InterCad's advanced computer aided design systems into a single facility located in Santa Clara, thereby providing economies of scale, reciprocol support for these product lines, and an integrated distribution channel unparalleled in the industry.

Further planned consolidations, an improved product mix, and continued financial strength point to improved longer term prospects for this well established factor in the engineering design market.

Bishop Inc., founded in 1965 and with headquarters near Los Angeles in Agoura Hills, Calif., supplies a complete line of design products and services through its manufacturing, marketing, and distribution operations. The company serves the engineering, architectural, and drafting markets in the United States, and in 72 countries throughout the world.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - MagneTek Inc. (NYSE:MAG) Wednesday announced its operating results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

The company's annual sales topped $1 billion for the first time, and earnings per share were $1.40, up 69 percent from 83 cents a year ago.

Revenues for the fourth quarter were $281,264,000, compared with $257,412,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Net income was $11,030,000, or 47 cents per share, up 124 percent from $4,789,000, or 21 cents per share (Note A), in the same period in 1989.

Revenues for fiscal 1990 totaled $1,055,420,000 against $961,649,000 last year. Net income for the year amounted to $33,228,000, or $1.40 per share vs. $18,275,000, or 83 cents per share (Note A), in fiscal 1989.

As a result of MagneTek's initial public offering in June of 1989, fiscal 1990 per-share earnings are calculated on 5 million more average shares

outstanding than 1989 per-share earnings.

Shareholders' equity grew 34 percent to $133 million during fiscal 1990, reducing MagneTek's debt-to-equity ratio to 2.9-to-1 from 3.8-to-1. This trend is expected to continue in fiscal 1991.

MagneTek President Frank Perna attributed the company's strong performance to internal cost reduction and growing demand for energy-related products and services.

MagneTek makes high-efficiency electrical equipment and renovates electric power plants, enabling utilities to generate more power with less fuel. MagneTek is also America's largest builder of medium-power transformers used to upgrade the nation's electric power transmission grid.

Perna noted that higher oil prices could create even stronger demand for such Energy Engineered products and services. He said that MagneTek's profitable growth is expected to continue into the new fiscal year, citing a 20 percent increase in the company's new order bookings in the fourth quarter compared with a year ago.

According to Perna, cash flow from operations should allow MagneTek to strengthen its balance sheet while making the investments necessary to claim a greater share of world markets. The company recently announced a joint venture in Hungary and formed a subsidiary in Germany to consolidate and expand its European interests.

MagneTek provides a wide range of Energy Engineered electrical equipment and services to utilities and industrial customers. The company operates 50 manufacturing and service facilities throughout North America and overseas, and employs approximately 15,000 associates worldwide.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Voicemail International Inc. (VOICEMAIL), Wednesday announced the release of software version 4.2 which incorporates new and expanded capabilities for VOICEMAIL systems.

User interface enhancements include expanded urgent message capabilities to allow user-selectable priority settings for all types of messages and improved silence compression to eliminate lengthy gaps in recorded messages, thereby reducing the length of a message and saving valuable disk space.

The system's new Forum Box allows outside callers to listen to and/or record messages on a public information board. This information could include anything from items for sale and special event notices to public opinion polls.

Enhancements to the company's automated attendant option include the addition of dynamic line allocation which eliminates the need to assign telephone lines to specific answering modes. For example, a company that currently dedicates lines to individual departments for special custom greetings can now provide these greetings on a single group of lines used for both telephone answering and user access.

In the area of telecommunication interfaces, VOICEMAIL has upgraded its Centrex integration software to support up to 999 message desks, implemented an R2 signaling interface for inbound DID calls for international installations, and expanded its Ericsson MD110 integration to support MD110 software version 4.

VOICEMAIL is a publicly held company that markets voice processing services and systems worldwide. The company's proprietary, patented VOICEMAIL systems allow callers to record and retrieve natural voice messages and information from any telephone.

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SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - McFarland Energy Inc. (NASDAQ:MCFE) announced unaudited financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, and the six-month period ended the same date.

Revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1990, were $3,934,000, compared with $4,082,000 in the same period in 1989. Revenues for the six-month period in 1990 were $8,911,000 vs. $7,799,000, for the six-month period in 1989. Net income for the second quarter in 1990 was $45,000, equal to 1 cent per share, vs. $466,000, equal to 9 cents per share, in 1989.

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $776,000, equal to 15 cents per share, compared with $850,000, equal to 16 cents per share, in 1989.

McFarland Energy is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with headquarters in Santa Fe Springs.

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Warrantech Corp. (NASDAQ:WTEC), announced Wednesday results for the company's first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The company again posted record results as gross revenues increased by 297 percent to $12,308,269, up from $4,140,828 recorded in the year earlier first quarter, due in part, to the acquisition of the assets of Dealer Based Services Inc. Net income more than doubled to $322,913, up from last year's first-quarter results of $154,125.

Deferred revenues to be recognized in future periods increased to $7,647,735, up from last year's first-quarter total of $642,558.

Joel San Antonio, chairman of Warrantech, stated that, ''We are satisfied with the results of the first quarter, as traditionally this is one of our slower times of the year. The expanded customer base utilizing the company's specialized services and continuing efforts to streamline the operations of the company all contributed to the first- quarter results.''

Warrantech administers service contracts for consumer electronic products, appliances and home office equipment. Through their wholly owned subsidiary, Warrantech Dealer Based Services, the company administers service contracts for automobiles, leisure craft marine and recreational vehicles.

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DALLAS (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust (NASDAQ:CMETS) Wednesday announced operating results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the trust recorded a net loss of $396,000, or 11 cents per share, on revenues of $3.9 million, compared with net income of $744,000, or 19 cents per share, on revenues of $3.9 million in the second quarter of the prior year. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the trust recorded a net loss of $703,000, or 19 cents per share, on revenues of $7.6 million, compared with net income of $19,000 on revenues of $7.9 million in the first half of 1989.

Net rental income increased $300,000, to $1.7 million, in the first half of 1990, compared with $1.4 million recorded in 1989's first six months.

Sale of four foreclosed properties (which had previously reduced net rental income), increased occupancy rates and lower management and administrative expenses were the primary factors in the increase. General and administrative expenses increased in part because of professional fees related to a class action settlement.

The trusts' equity in results of operations of partnerships for the quarter of 1990 was a loss of $400,000, compared with income of $600,000 for the same period in 1989 due to a $.7 million gain recognized during the second quarter of 1989 on the sale of partnership properties.

Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

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JUNEAU, AK (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Sealaska Corp. has signed an agreement with the American Copper & Nickel Co. Inc. (ACNC) to explore mineral prospects on Sealaska lands on Prince of Wales Island in Southeast Alaska.

The five year lease agreement allows ACNC to conduct geologic work and drilling on 14,000 acres in the Cholmondeley Sound area. Sealaska's preliminary geologic surveys indicate the area has significant potential for gold as well as silver and copper.

''Our agreement with American Copper & Nickel Co. is part of our long term strategic plan for minerals development,'' Byron I. Mallott, president and chief executive officer of Sealaska said. The agreement provides ACNC with the option to lease for minerals development and provides Sealaska the option to become a partner in the development. ''ACNC is an ideal company to work with. ACNC has agreed to a 20 percent Sealaska shareholder or Alaska Native hire and the company is recognized for their record for environmental protection,'' stated Mallott.

ACNC is a wholly owned subsidiary of Inco Ltd. Inco Ltd. is a major multi-national minerals company based in Toronto. Inco is the world's largest producer of nickel metal. Although ACNC does not operate any mines, the subsidiary serves as the U.S. exploration company for Inco. ACNC is also exploring for minerals in the interior region of Alaska.

Of the 14,000 acres leased by ACNC under the agreement, 10,000 acres of surface lands are owned by Kootznoowoo Inc., the Native village corporation for Angoon. The remaining 4,000 acres were acquired by Sealaska Corp. from the federal government as mining claims under federal mineral location laws. Under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) of 1971, village corporations received title to 23,000 acres of land. Native regional corporations received subsurface ownership of all village corporation lands.

Sealaska Corp., headquartered in Juneau, is one of the 13 Regional Corporations formed under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971. Sealaska's primary investments are in forest products, minerals development and portfolio management.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Genentech Inc. and Abbott Laboratories Wednesday announced that an out-of-court settlement has been reached concerning a dispute over the validity of two plasminogen activator patents owned by Abbott and Abbott's claim that Genentech infringed the patents.

Under the terms of the settlement, both companies agree to the dismissal of both parties' claims.

Genentech is a leading biotechnology company focusing on the development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceutical products by recombinant DNA technology.

Abbott Laboratories is a worldwide manufacturer of health care products employing 42,000 people. In 1989, the company's sales and net earnings were $5.4 billion and $860 million, respectively, with earnings per share of $1.93.

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Abbott Laboratories
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OVERLAND PARK, KA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - As anticipated, Western Financial Corp. has taken additional charge-offs and strengthened its general reserve for loan and real estate losses in the second quarter of 1990.

These actions totalling in the aggregate $8,910,000 caused Western Financial to show a net loss of $7,437,000 ($3.48 per share) for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, as compared to a net income of $543,000 (25 cents per share) for the same period last year.

This resulted in a net loss for the first six months of 1990 of $7,286,000 ($3.41 per share) as compared to net income of $1,018,000 (47 cents per share) for the first six months of 1989. Excluding the charge-offs and the increase in the general reserve, Western's net interest earnings for the quarter increased to $3,545,000 from $3,320,000 for the same period in 1989.

Net interest margin increased 48 basis points for the second quarter of 1990 from the second quarter of 1989. As of June 30, 1990, Western Financial's net worth is $18,917,000.

Since Western Financial's wholly owned subsidiary, Columbia Savings Association, F.A., does not meet the new capital requirements established by FIRREA, it was required to submit a capital plan to the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS).

This capital plan was approved on March 19, 1990. As a result of the charge-offs and increases in the general reserve for loan and real estate losses during the second quarter of 1990, Columbia Savings will be required to file a new capital plan.

Western Financial Corp. is the parent company of Columbia Savings Association, a banking services company, with 28 deposit offices in Kansas and mortgage banking offices in Kansas, Missouri, and southern California.

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LAS VEGAS (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Gallery of History Inc. (NASDAQ:HIST) Wednesday announced its third quarter results for the period ending June 30, 1990.

	1990	1989
Third Quarter Ending June 30:		
Revenues	$ 744,392	$ 562,946

Net loss after taxes and before extraordinary item	(65,746)	(75,866)
Extraordinary item (a)		18,494
Net loss	$ (65,746)	$ (94,360)
Loss per share before extraordinary item	(.012)	(.014)
Net earnings per share	(.012)	$ (.018)
Average shares outstanding	5,583,138	5,386,223

	1990	1989
Nine Months Ending June 30:		
Revenues	$2,623,680	$2,707,792
Net income after taxes and before extraordinary item	30,626	241,809
Extraordinary item (a)	6,000	117,556
Net income	$ 36,626	$ 359,365
Earnings per share before extraordinary item	.006	.046
Net earnings per share	$ .007	$ .068
Average shares outstanding	5,489,190	5,285,021

(a) Extraordinary item consists of tax benefit resulting from tax-loss carryforward.

Gallery of History Inc., the largest dealer of original historical documents in the world, operates retail galleries in: Las Vegas; Dallas; Costa Mesa, Calif.; New York; Washington D.C. and Los Angeles.

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DENVER (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Forest Oil Corp. has declared a dividend of $.53125 per share on the company's $2.125 convertible preferred stock.

The dividend is payable Oct. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 14 1990.

Forest Oil Corp. is engaged in the exploration for and acquisition, development and production of oil and natural gas. The company's principal reserves and producing properties are located offshore Louisiana and in Texas, Wyoming, Oklahoma and Alberta, Canada. The company is traded on the NASDAQ/NMS system, under the FOIL symbol.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Williams-Sonoma Inc. Wednesday announced the results of the company's operations for the second quarter ended July 29, 1990.

Net sales for this 13 week period were $57,319,000, an increase of 30.6 percent from the $43,892,000 reported for the 13 weeks ended July 30, 1989.

W. Howard Lester, the company's chairman and chief executive officer, stated, ''Sales were strong in both our Retail and Mail Order business. Comparable store sales increased 12.7 percent. Mail order sales were up 32.3 percent against the 13 weeks ended July 30, 1989.'' Total net sales for the 26 week period were $114,004,000, an increase of 29.2 percent from the $88,259,000 reported for the 26 weeks ended July 30, 1989.

The company announced net earnings for the 13 weeks ended July 29, 1990, of $526,000, or 5 cents per share, compared to the net earnings of $129,000, or 1 cent per share, at July 30, 1989. The net earnings reported for the 26 weeks ended July 29, 1990, was $974,000, or 10 cents per share, compared to net earnings of $493,000, or 5 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Williams-Sonoma Inc. is a nationwide specialty retailer of high quality kitchenware and other products for home and garden. These products are marketed through 126 retail stores and five mail order catalogs representing six distinct merchandise strategies: Williams-Sonoma, Pottery Barn, Hold Everything, Chambers, Gardener's Eden and California Closet Co.

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PORTLAND, OR (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of PacifiCorp (NYSE, LSE: PPW) Wednesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 36 cents per common share, payable Nov. 15 to shareholders of record Oct. 23.

The ex-dividend date is Oct. 17.

The board also authorized payments of dividends on outstanding preferred shares at the specified rates.

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TEMPE, Ariz. (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Action Products Inc. of Tempe, announced second quarter net income of $174,511, an increase of 23 percent over the second quarter of 1989.

Net income for six months was $197,277 or 8 cents per share as compared to a loss of $262,785 for the first half of 1989. Action's second quarter sales increased to $3,404,651 from $3,293,445. Sales were boosted by completion of a die cast car program for Exxon in the second quarter.

The company sales for the year are up 22 percent to $6,136,363 from $4,775,770 the previous year. Ed Fochtman, chairman of the board, said the company's strong performance in the first half of the year, traditionally the company's slowest period, should allow it to surpass its last year's sales of $10 million.

The company also announced that the letter of intent between Twin Star Productions Inc. of Scottsdale, Ariz. (symbol TWIN) and the company has been mutually terminated.

Action Products is a manufacturer of Gas Powered Mini Cars, Electric Ride On Cars, Parts Washers, and Bio-Clean.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Falcon Cable Systems Co., a California limited partnership (ASE:FAL), Wednesday reported sharply higher revenues and cash flow for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, revenues increased 30 percent and operating income before depreciation and amortization grew by 43 percent over the same period in the prior year.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, Falcon's revenues grew by 29 percent, while operating income before depreciation and amortization rose by 41 percent as compared with the same period in the prior year.

''The increases in revenue and cash flow that were achieved during the

first two quarters of 1990 attest to the fact that Falcon's operations remain fundamentally sound,'' said Marc B. Nathanson, chairman and chief executive officer. ''Management continues to focus on the cash flow performance of existing properties, while integrating new acquisitions,'' added Nathanson.

The partnership recorded revenues of $9,486,700, for the three months ended June 30, 1990, compared with $7,273,800, for the second quarter of 1989. Operating income before depreciation and amortization for the second quarter increased to $4,808,600, from $3,350,400, for the same period last year.

Falcon achieved revenues of $18,095,500, for the six months ended June 30, 1990, compared with $14,053,400, for the same period in 1989. Operating income before depreciation and amortization for the six months ended June 30, 1990, rose to $9,179,400, from the prior year total of $6,521,400. On June 30, 1990, Falcon's subscribers totaled 163,482, a 19 percent increase from the total of 137,530, on June 30, 1989.

While revenues and cash flow benefited from these subscriber acquisitions, Falcon also experienced increases in revenue per subscriber and improved cash flow margins compared with prior year results.

However, this improved cash performance is not readily apparent from a net income standpoint where Falcon continues to post net losses due to increases in non-cash depreciation and amortization expenses and increased interest charges related to acquisitions and capital expenditures.

Falcon experienced a net loss of $2,833,900, or 44 cents per equivalent limited partnership unit and $5,334,000, or 83 cents per equivalent limited partnership unit, for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990 compared with a net loss of $955,100, or 15 cents per equivalent limited partnership unit, and $1,741,900, or 27 cents per equivalent limited partnership unit, for the same periods in 1989.

As previously announced on Aug. 7, 1990, Falcon Cable Systems purchased cable systems, which serve approximately 7,000 subscribers in the communities of Cottage Grove and Florence, Ore., from Cooke Media Group Inc. and its affiliates. These acquisitions will give Falcon Cable Systems almost 50,000 homes subscribing to basic cable service in Oregon and will be clustered with existing Falcon operations in Oregon to achieve greater operating efficiencies.

Falcon owns, operates and develops ''classic'' cable television systems in more than 115 communities in California and western Oregon that do not receive a wide variety of clear broadcast reception. Falcon Cable Systems is one of seven separate partnerships operated by Falcon Holding Group Inc., which together (including pending acquisitions) serve more than

800,000 subscribers in over 500 communities in 28 states.

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ANAHEIM, CALIF. (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Kaempen U.S.A. Inc., a Wyoming corporation currently trading on the Over the Counter market via the pink sheets, Wednesday announced it will release its first quarterly financial statement on Aug. 31.

It has come to the attention of the company that a major restructuring of its booked related party transactions may be in order, which could significantly affect its balance sheet.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Telebit Corp. (NASDAQ:TBIT) Wednesday disclosed the signing of a joint development contract with Texas Instruments Inc. and Texas Instruments Japan for a new high-speed modem employing Telebit's proprietary multicarrier architecture.

Under the terms of the contract, Texas Instruments Japan will develop application specific chip sets embodying Telebit's technology and will provide such to selected manufacturers.

The program is believed to represent a significant advance in data transmission over the General Switched Telephone Network.

Telebit Corp. designs, manufactures and markets advanced high-speed products for dial-up networking and wide-area communications. The company's patented Packetized Ensemble Protocol (PEP) and proprietary digital signal processing technologies provide extremely reliable error-free communications across the worldwide switched telephone network.

Telebit markets its products worldwide through distributors, original equipment manufacturers and value-added resellers.

Located in Sunnyvale, Telebit became a publicly held corporation on April 27, 1990 and is traded on the National Association of Security Dealers Automated Quotations (NASDAQ) OTC market under the symbol TBIT.

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MILPITAS, CA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Xicor Inc. Wednesday announced production availability of a new CMOS 2K Serial E2PROM, expanding the company's serial E2PROM product family.

Xicor's new X24C02 features a hardwire Write Control Function, extended endurance of over 100,000 cycles, inherent data retention of greater than 100 years, and industry leading performance that tracks well in cost-sensitive areas such as consumer products, telephones, card keys and personal computers.

According to Gary Craig, Serial E2PROM product marketing manager, the X24C02 allows Xicor to continue the expansion of the serial E2PROM market. Ranging from 256 bits to 16K bits, Xicor now offers the largest density range available in the serial E2PROM market today.

Serial E2PROMs are ideally suited for applications based on single-chip microcontrollers. The Xicor bi-directional serial bus minimizes the number of I/O lines that the microcontroller needs to communicate with the E2PROM; by comparison, a normal byte-wide E2PROM may require up to 10 I/O lines.

Internally organized 256 x 8, the CMOS X24C02 offers low active current of less than lmA at 100KHz and a standby current of less than 50uA. It also features a typical self-timed write cycle of 5ms and a Write Control Function which allows the user to enable or disable the ability to write to the device.

The X24C02 is manufactured with the same proven Textured Poly Floating Gate technology as are all of Xicor's E2PROM products.

The X24C02 (commercial temperature range) and the X24C02I (industrial temperature range) are available today in a 8-pin plastic DIP, Type P; small outline gull wing package, Type S.

The X24C02P is priced at $1.45 each in quantities of 100. The X24C02PI is priced at $1.89 each in quantities of 100. The X24C02S is priced at $1.70 each in quantities of 100. The X24C02SI is priced at $2.21 each in quantities of 100. Production quantities for all versions are available now.

Xicor is the leading supplier of advanced proprietary semiconductor devices based on full-featured E2PROM technology. The company provides

high quality, reliable products for the manufacturers of computers and peripherals, consumer products, telecommunications, industrial controls, the military and transportation.

The company's manufacturing plant is in Milpitas.

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PHIILADELPHIA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - American Integrity Corp. (NASDAQ:AIIC) reported Wednesday that it is actively engaged in discussions, which may lead to its acquisition.

No agreement has as yet been reached. If concluded, any agreement would be subject to approval of the board of directors and shareholders of American Integrity, and regulatory authority. In order to conduct negotiations effectively, the company does not intend to make further announcements on this matter until after a definitive agreement has been executed, or all such discussions have been terminated.

American Integrity Corp. also reported increased revenues for the quarter totaling $23,479,000, a 47-percent advance over $16,004,000 for the same period last year. The company continued to experience increases in new business.

Total new annualized premium written in the second quarter of 1990 rose 22 percent to $17,016,000 from $13,937,000 in the second quarter of 1989. Investment income for the quarter rose 10 percent, to $1,176,000, compared to $1,066,000 in the same quarter of 1989.

Despite the gains in the company's business, net income for the second quarter declined to a loss of $687,000, or 10 cents per share, as compared to a net gain of $1,353,000, or 20 cents per share, in the second quarter of 1989. Contributing to the loss are factors arising from the repeal of the Medicare Catastrophic Insurance Act of 1988.

Increased policyholder benefits were required by Congress, but rate increases to cover the benefits were delayed in state insurance departments, and claim reserves were increased to cover the additional benefits. Approved increases in premium rates also impacted on the persistency of the Medicare business and resulted in higher amortization of deferred acquisition costs.

For the first six months of 1990, revenues totaled $45,586,000, a 50-percent gain over $30,473,000 reported in the first half of 1989. Total new annualized premium written in the first half of 1990 rose 48 percent to $36,945,000 from $24,939,000 in the first six months of 1989.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Silicon Valley Group Inc. (NASDAQ:SVGI) announced Wednesday that it has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement for a proposed public offering of 3 million shares of common stock to be issued by the company.

Of the 3 million shares, 2,400,000 will be offered in the United States and 600,000 will be offered internationally. The U.S. offering will be managed by Prudential-Bache Capital Funding, Montgomery Securities and Cowen & Company, and the international offering will be managed by Prudential-Bache Securities (U.K.) Inc., Montgomery Securities and Cowen & Company.

The offering is expected to take place in September 1990. The company indicated that approximately one-half of the expected proceeds of the offering would be used to retire debt incurred in its May 1990 acquisition of the Optical Lithography Operations of The Perkin-Elmer Corp. and the balance would be used for working capital.

Silicon Valley Group Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and services semiconductor processing equipment used in the fabrication of integrated circuits.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective.

In referring to Silicon Valley Group Inc. in an abbreviated form, please use ''SVG.''

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RIDGEWOOD, NY (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Quarex Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:QRXI) announced Wednesday increased sales and earnings for the quarter ended June 29, 1990.

In addition, Quarex announced combined sales and earnings for the quarter ended June 29, 1990 prepared on a pro-forma combined basis with the sales and earnings reported by PSL Foods Inc. and affiliates (''PSL'') with respect to its retail food business.

Quarex has previously announced that it has agreed in principle to combine with the retail food business of PSL.

Quarex' reported net sales of $50,622,044 for the 13 weeks ended June 29, 1990 as compared to $50,502,527 for the 13 weeks ended June 30, 1989.

Quarex' net income of $604,992 for the 13 weeks showed an increase of 11 percent over the net income of $544,767 realized during the same 13 week period in 1989.

Quarex' per share earnings increased to 17 cents in 1990 from the 15 cents reported for the same 13 week period of 1989.

For the 26 weeks ended June 29, 1990, Quarex' net sales increased to $98,502,553 from $94,491,615 reported for the same period in 1989, an increase of four percent. Quarex' net income for the first 26 weeks of 1990 rose to $949,120, an increase of 36 percent over the $697,245 reported for the same period in 1989.

As a result, Quarex' per share earnings for the first half of 1990 rose to 27 cents, an increase of seven cents per share over the earnings of 20 cents per share reported for the same period in 1989.

For the quarter ended June 29, 1990, On a pro forma combined basis, net income of Quarex and PSL totaled $1,088,025 on sales of $65,211,420.

The per share earnings for the quarter ended June 29, 1990 is calculated at 22 cents.

On a pro forma combined basis net income of Quarex and PSL for the first 26 weeks of 1990 totaled $1,720,814 on sales of $124,421,103. The per share earnings for the first 26 weeks of 1990 is calculated at 35 cents.

Jules Verner, Quarex' treasurer, stated that Quarex anticipated additional growth during 1990 as a result of a planned expansion of its retail operations.

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ALBANY, NY (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of National Savings Bank of Albany (NASDAQ:NSBA) has reposnded to a proposal from TrustCo Bank Corp NY, a bank holding company located in Schenectady, N.Y., for a possible business combination with National in a stock-for-stock transaction in which National's shareholders would receive between 1.25 to 1.35 shares of TrustCo common stock for each share of National common stock, depending on the market price of TrustCo at the time of closing.

The proposal also includes a provision that allows TrustCo to terminate the agreement if the average price of its shares exceeds $35 per share and allows National to terminate if the average price of TrustCo stock is less than $25 per share.

The board noted that the terms of the proposal were more complete than previous proposals of TrustCo; however, the board believes that the most recent proposal contains substantive conditions, including the performance of due diligence, that as currently structured do not adequately assure that National's shareholders will ultimately receive the full negotiated value for their shares.

The overall low trading volume in TrustCo's shares, and recent downward price variability on increases in volume, also point to the potential reduction in shareholder value and illiquidity of shares that may result from a business combination as proposed. National has advised TrustCo of the terms of a possible mechanism for protecting shareholder value.

In its response to TrustCo's offer, the board of National informed TrustCo that, when presented with a fair proposal, it would insist that the parties enter into a confidentiality agreement prior to the performance of any due diligence. If the proposal were confirmed by subsequent due diligence reviews, National would be willing to negotiate a definitive agreement.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Hotel Investors Trust, a real estate investment trust which invests exclusively in the lodging industry, and Hotel Investors Corp., a hotel management company, whose shares are paired and trade together (NYSE:HOT), Wednesday announced a second-quarter net loss for 1990 of $1,096,000, or 9 cents per share, as compared with net income of $144,000, or 1 cent per share, for the same period last year.

Gains on asset sales were $156,000, or 1 cent per share, in the second

quarter of 1989; there were no gains on asset sales during 1990. Cash flow from operations (defined as income before gains on asset sales, plus depreciation and amortization) for the three-month period ended June 30, 1990, was $2,505,000, or 21 cents per share, as compared with cash flow from operations of $3,255,000, or 27 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Hotel Investors Trust and Hotel Investors Corp. also announced a combined six-month net loss for 1990 of $2,208,000, or 18 cents per share, as compared with a six-month 1989 net loss of $244,000, or 2 cents per share. Nineteen-eighty-nine results included gains on asset sales of $156,000, or 1 cent per share. Cash flow from operations generated during the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, was $4,969,000, or 41 cents per share, as compared with $6.12 million, or 50 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Hotel Investors Trust and Hotel Investors Corp. also announced Wednesday that the Trust's and the Corporations's 1990 annual shareholders' and stockholders' meetings have been rescheduled to Sept. 24, 1990. In connection with such rescheduling, and as required by applicable law, the record date for the annual meetings will be Aug. 24, 1990. -0- T

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DENVER (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Crown Resources Corp. Wednesday announced a second quarter 1990 net loss of $0.8 million, or seven cents per share, to bring the net income for the first half of 1990 to $2.2 million, or 18 cents per share.

This compares with net losses from 1989 of $0.3 million for the quarter (four cents per share) and $0.6 million for the six months (seven cents per share).

Sales of gold totalled 4,972 ounces in the second quarter for revenue of $1.8 million. Gold production in the quarter totalled 7,718 ounces from Crown's 30 percent share of production from the Kettle River mine where commercial production commenced in February 1990. Production from Kettle River in the last half of 1990 is forecast to exceed these levels and Crown projects gold sales for the full year of 30,000 ounces.

Production costs at Kettle River have been falling as Echo Bay, Crown's partner and the operator, has fine-tuned the mine and mill. Cash costs of production per ounce averaged $226 for the first half of 1990, but were $207 for the quarter and $169 in the month of June.

Cash costs are forecast to average $185 per ounce for all of 1990. Full production costs, which include depreciation, depletion and amortization, for total production in the six months averaged $314 per ounce.

Battle Mountain Gold Co. is pursuing an ambitious exploration program on the company's Crown Jewel Project where recent drill results have been encouraging. There are six rigs working on the property and a new 150-hole drill program has just commenced. Crown granted Battle Mountain an option on this project in March, in return for $5 million, and Battle Mountain is funding all project costs.

Crown is also conducting extensive exploration programs in Utah, in the joint venture with Centurion Mines Corp., and on the company's properties in the Carlin Trend in Nevada, northeastern Washington and southern British Columbia.

Crown is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the trading symbol CRRS and on the Vancouver Stock Exchange under the symbol CRO.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Carolco Pictures Inc. (NYSE:CRC) Wednesday announced results for the three- and six-month periods ended June 30, 1990.

Total revenues for the second quarter of 1990 were $80,950,000, compared with $34,178,000, for the same period last year -- an increase of 137 percent. Net income for the second quarter of 1990 rose 235 percent, to $8,759,000, compared with $2,612,000, for the second quarter of 1989.

Earnings per share were 28 cents, for the second quarter of 1990 compared with 9 cents, for the second quarter of 1989 based on a weighted average of 31,117,289 shares outstanding in 1990 and 30,211,232, in 1989.

Carolco's revenues increased 91 percent, for the six months ended June 30, 1990, to $100,192,000, compared with $52,546,000, for the six months ended June 30, 1989. Net income was $6,027,000, compared with $812,000, and earnings per share rose to 20 cents, compared with 3 cents, for the same period in 1989, based on a weighted average of 30,666,295 shares outstanding in 1990 and 30,084,593, in 1989.

Carolco Pictures is a diversified entertainment company formed for the

purpose of financing, producing and leasing motion pictures for exhibition in domestic (United States and Canada) and foreign theatrical markets and for later worldwide release in all media including home video and pay and free television.

In a continuing plan to broaden its distribution systems and product base, Carolco acquired Orbis Communications, a leader in the television distribution and advertising sales industry and the IndieProd company, an independent motion picture production company headed by Dan Melnick.

Carolco Licensing arranges licenses for characters and similar rights for motion pictures controlled by Carolco, as well as in other quality products. Carolco Music handles the development and exploitation of music publishing rights.

Carolco owns a 47 percent voting interest in LIVE Entertainment Inc. LIVE is a diversified entertainment software supplier, distributor and retailer with headquarters in Los Angeles and is the parent of Los Angeles-based home video supplier Live Home Video, Minneapolis-based rackjobber Lieberman Enterprises Inc., Massachusetts-based LIVE Specialty Retail Group, which includes Strawberries Records, Tapes & CDs and the Waxie Maxie music chain and an indirect subsidiary VCL/Carolco Communications GmbH, a home video supplier based in Munich, Germany. Carolco also owns a 33 percent interest in the Vista Organization Ltd.

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CHERRY HILL, NJ (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Marvin Samson, president and chief executive officer of Marsam Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ:MSAM), announced Wednesday that earnings for the quarter ended June 30 were $482,900 (10 cents per share) on revenues of $3,025,900.

For the six months ended June 30, earnings were $910,100 (18 cents per share) on revenues of $5,589,400.

Net sales and income for the quarter ended June 30 include $509,500 allocated to that period from a $1.5 million lump sum payment made by E.R. Squibb to the company in connection with the termination of the previous agreement between the company and Squibb.

The lump sum payment recognizes sales and income which would have been realized by the company had the agreement with Squibb not been terminated. The balance of the $1.5 million has been recorded as deferred revenue.

Marsam Pharmaceuticals Inc. is an emerging leader in the development and manufacture of injectable drug products for the hospital and institutional marketplace which are sold through an agreement with Geneva Generics Inc., a leading developer, manufacturer and distributor of quality generic pharmaceutical products. Geneva Generics is a subsidiary of CIBA-GEIGY Corp.

Samson stated that while the company cannot predict the effects on its revenues and earnings during the period of transition from distribution of its products by Squibb to distribution under its new agreement with Geneva Generics, the company may not achieve earnings from operations until meaningful sales of Geneva/Marsam-labeled products occur.

Geneva Generics is currently bidding on behalf of Geneva/Marsam on hospital and institutional contracts, the majority of which become effective during the first quarter of 1991.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - B+H Ocean Carriers Ltd. (ASE:BHO) Tuesday reported operating results for the 1990 second quarter and first half-year and announced the company's board of directors had declared a dividend of 80 cents per share payable Sept. 7, 1990 to shareholders of record on August 24, 1990.

For the second quarter, B+H Ocean Carrier's net income was $1,014,000, or 25 cents per share, on revenues of $8,681,000 as compared to net income of $2,204,000, or 54 cents per share, on revenues of $8,588,000 in the like period a year ago.

For the six months net income was $4,140,000, or $1.01 per share, on revenues of $17,542,000 vs. net income of $4,636,000, or $1.14 per share, on revenues of $17,147,000 in the like period a year ago.

In this year's second quarter, the company, as previously reported, had a total of 68 days of off-hire for its 13 vessels of which 63 days related to scheduled drydockings of two product tankers.

The reduction in net income in the second 1990 quarter over the second 1989 quarter is primarily attributable to a substantial increase in drydocking costs, the loss of revenues from increased off-hire days and a reduction in COTCO pool charter rates of approximately 8.5 percent, partially offset by an approximate 19.5 percent increase in PROTRANS pool charter rates.

Over the balance of 1990, the company expects to drydock three vessels, two of which will be taken out of service in the third quarter and one in the fourth quarter.

Michael S. Hudner, president, said in making today's announcement, ''We view upgrading of the vessels as an important investment as we expect it will prolong the life and value of our ships, improve our competitive position and shareholder returns.

The company operates seven handy-size dry bulkcarriers and six product tankers.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - AIFS Inc. (ASE,PSE:AIF), an international educational services company, Wednesday reported results for its third fiscal quarter ended June 30.

Net income for the quarter was $1,582,000, or 45 cents per share, compared to $446,000, or 13 cents per share, for the third quarter of fiscal 1989. Revenues for the three-month period were $36,730,000, as compared to $28,513,000 in the third quarter last year.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1990, AIFS had a net loss of $1,227,000, or 36 cents per share, which includes a non-recurring after-tax charge of $488,000, or 14 cents per share, from the previously announced write down of an investment. This compares with a net loss of $255,000, or 8 cents per share, for the like period of fiscal 1988 which included a non-recurring after tax gain of $810,000, or 24 cents per share from the settlement of a lawsuit. Revenues for the nine months were $69,764,000, compared to $62,782,000 in the year-earlier period.

In commenting on the third quarter results, Roger O. Walther, president and chief executive officer, said: ''Our higher revenues reflect the effect that the timing of the Easter holidays has on our outbound programs that take high school students abroad. In 1990, the Easter programs were entirely in the third quarter while in 1989 they were, for the most part, in the second quarter.

The increased profitability for the quarter reflects the results of the High School programs discussed earlier and increased profitability in the Au Pair and Homestay programs.

As previously announced, a special meeting of stockholders of AIFS will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 28, at which stockholders will be asked to consider and vote upon the proposed merger of Marina Holdings Corp., a corporation recently organized by certain senior members of AIFS management, with and into AIFS. If the proposed merger is consummated, each public stockholder will be entitled to receive $6.50 in cash in exchange for each share of common stock.

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - A letter of intent has been signed between Salt Lake City-based Alta Gold Co. (NASDAQ:ALTA) and Magma Copper Co. (AMEX:MCU) headquartered in San Manuel, Ariz., which could result in the purchase of Kennecott's 12,000-acre Robinson Mining District near Ely, Nev.

Magma Copper, with three copper operations in Arizona, is one of the industry's premier copper companies, dating back to 1910. Alta Gold Co. was formed on Nov. 24, 1989, following the merger of Silver King Mines Inc. and Pacific Silver Corp., two companies with histories dating to the early 1960s.

If the purchase is made of the historic Robinson District, both companies would substantially increase their positions in both the gold and copper mining industries in the United States.

Magma has agreed to spend up to $1.5 million on a feasibility study to be completed by Nov. 15, 1990 to further define the preliminary study performed for Alta Gold by various independent consulting firms indicating the presence of an estimated 248 million tons of ore from which 2.5 billion pounds of copper and 2 million ounces of gold could be produced.

Upon the purchase of the property, Magma would hold a 51 percent interest in the copper operations, with Alta Gold maintaining a 49 percent interest. The total pruchase price from Kennecott is $20 million plus assumption of certain environmental obligations.

Magma would pay $10.2 million to acquire its 51 percent of Kennecott's interest, with Alta Gold paying the balance of the net purchase price for its 49 percent interest, estimated at $2.8 million. Alta receives a credit from Kennecott for prior payments made on the $20 million purchase price.

Closing of the purchase must be made with Kennecott by Dec. 14, 1990,

while Magma must make its irrevocable commitment to proceed to close with Alta Gold by Nov. 15, 1990.

Preliminary terms of the contract, which is to be signed by Sept. 26, 1990 also call for Magma to purchase an undivided 15 percent interest in existing gold operations at the Robinson District from Alta Gold for $4 million. Magma would have an option to purchase from Alta Gold an additional 15 percent interest in the gold operations by Dec. 31, 1991, for $6 million. Magma would also purchase $1.5 million in Alta Gold common stock by Aug. 31, 1990.

Alta Gold is also continuing base metals production from its underground Ward Mine and Taylor Mill which produce zinc, copper, silver and lead, and is a joint venture partner with Mining Services International in the newly completed Cyanco sodium cyanide manufacturing facility near Winnemucca, Nev.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Sym-Tek Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:SYMK) Wednesday announced it has received an order worth $3.5 million from Hyundai Electronics of Korea for its MP-3050 Multiple Testsite Handlers.

This represents a follow-up order to Sym-Tek by Hyundai.

With this latest order, the number of Sym-Tek Multiple Testsite Handlers installed worldwide totals more than 300 units, according to Ray Twigg, Sym-Tek president.

The Sym-Tek MP-3050 Series Handlers are capable of testing up to 16 DRAM devices in parallel and can be configured, with an easy-to-use change kit, to test different packages.

''Long considered the leading U.S. environmental handler manufacturer, Sym-Tek Systems obtained this order over strong Japanese competition,'' said Twigg.

Sym-Tek recently reported its fifth profitable quarter in a row, the company's longest continued level of profitability since the third quarter of 1987. Since April 1, 1990, the company has seen a significant increase in orders resulting in a backlog increase to $9.5 million.

Sym-Tek Systems Inc. manufactures and sells electromechanical handlers

used to heat or cool integrated circuits to precise temperatures, place them into position for testing and sort ICs based on test results. The market for the company's products is driven by worldwide capacity increases for semiconductors as well as the continually changing packages that house integrated circuits.

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VANCOUVER, B.C. (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Peter J. Guest, president of Galactic Resources Ltd., is pleased to announce record first half 1990 net income of US $6.9 million (US 16 cents per share).

This was an increase of US $6.4 million over 1989 first half net income of US $0.5 million (US 1 cent per share), despite the low gold prices experienced in the second quarter. Cash flow from operations at producing mines was US $7.56 million for the first half of 1990 as compared to US $8.40 million for the like period in 1989.

An important contributor to 1990 first half results was the gain of US $7.41 million, after tax, from the sale of 75 percent of the company's interest in the Far South East project in the Philippines.

This, however, and the good performance of the Ridgeway Gold Mine were offset by the reduced results from the Summitville operation due to its customary second quarter loss resulting from seasonal start-up expenses and delayed gold recovery.

The Ridgeway Gold Mine, a joint venture between Galactic (48 percent) and the RTZ Corp. PLC (52 percent) continued to perform well with production matching planned performance. Ridgeway, which contributed US $6.94 million to Galactic's first half operating income, shipped 88,554 ounces of gold vs. 78,184 ounces in 1989.

Reduced gold bullion prices were offset by Ridgeway's gold deliveries at US $453/oz. under its gold loan and benefits from forward sales at US $460/oz. Ridgeway realized an average gold price of US $419/oz for the 1990 first half compared to US $ 382/oz. in the 1989 first half. Cash production cost averaged US $170/oz. in the 1990 first half.

Galactic produces gold at the Ridgeway Gold Mine in South Carolina with joint venture partner The RTZ Corp. PLC, and at its wholly-owned

Summitville Mine in Colorado. Galactic also has precious metal development projects in California, Nevada, Canada, China, and the Philippines.

Galactic Resources Ltd. trades on the American, Toronto, Montreal, and Vancouver Stock Exchanges (symbol: GLC). American Stock Exchange quotes in US $ are listed daily in THE WALL STREET JOURNAL under AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE COMPOSITE TRANSACTIONS.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Diversified Investors Corp. (DVIN:OTC Bulletin Board) has signed an agreement in principle to acquire 50 percent of the common shares of TWM Corp., a privately held company.

According to Philip S. Budin, chairman of Diversified Investors, TWM owns the rights to a patent-pending process to substantially increase the emulsion speeds of photographic materials. The TWM process is especially applicable to developing X-rays, he said.

Budin added that Battelle Institute of Columbus, Ohio, a nationally known scientific testing organization, had recently conducted tests of the TWM process which demonstrated a significant increase in X-ray film detail with 84 percent less radiation exposure than conventional methods.

Diversified Investors is a public holding company with interests in a number of public and private companies.

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NEEDHAM, MA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - When Lotus 1-2-3 Release 3.1 hits the shelves, Intex Solutions Inc. will be ready with a broad range of enhancement products designed to be fully compatible with Lotus' new release.

The following Intex products will be available for 1-2-3 Release 3.1: Forecast!, Inventory Analyst, Rescue Plus, Trans for 1-2-3, Financial

Toolkit, Intex Bond Calculations, Intex Mortgage-Backed Calculations, and Intex Option Price Calculations. These products also run with 1-2-3 Release 2.0, 2.01, 2.2, and 1-2-3 Release 3.0.

Also slated to join the ranks of 1-2-3 Release 3-compatible products are FunctionsIII and Guardian. FunctionsIII, a collection of diverse analytic functions, is a re-release and considerably expanded version of Functions 1. Guardian, Intex's automatic backup program, are under development and are expected to ship by year end.

Intex, which has emerged as a leader of the Lotus aftermarket, has the largest number of Lotus 1-2-3 Release 3 enhancement products ready to ship with several others waiting in the wings.

Lotus Development Corp. previously announced that 1-2-3 Release 3.1 will ship in the third quarter of 1990. Enhancements: A Need That Doesn't Go Away

Lotus users still need and ask for a variety of spreadsheet enhancements to customize and extend the functionality of their spreadsheets. Both Lotus and Intex believe enhancement products will continue to thrive amidst future releases of 1-2-3.

''Users must recognize that no matter how many features are built into the core spreadsheet, size and speed constraints dictate that many enhancements are best addressed by third-party aftermarket products,'' said Jim Wilner, vice president of the PC Products Division at Intex Solutions.

He added,''Whatever the version, files sometimes get lost or damaged, which has made our Rescue Plus, a Lotus file recovery utility, a best seller. People still need to bring data into 1-2-3, so they turn to Trans, an Intex product that integrates ASCII files into Lotus. And users perform a great variety of sophisticated spreadsheet applications like forecasting, financial analysis, and inventory management, all of which call for enhancement programs.''

Financial Applications: Benefits of Add-Ins are Clear

Intex's trio of fixed-income calculation programs illustrate perfectly how add-ins have carved out an enduring niche for themselves.

Many Lotus users work with bonds or mortgage-backed securities like Ginnie Maes. On a daily basis, they make buy/sell decisions which just be based on solid information: yield, duration, remaining balance, and other calculations, none of which are among 1-2-3's financial functions.

Intex Bond Calculations, Intex Mortgage-Backed Calculations, and Intex

Option Price Calculations are programs which make it possible to perform these calculations in a Lotus spreadsheet, and to do so conveniently and securely.

Like the other two programs, Intex Bond Calculations is a collection of financial analytic functions. Once the program is added in, new functions which compute all calculations essential to bond analysis become part of the Lotus menu. The software supports nearly all fixed-income instruments.

Clients who work with international bonds or whose work involves horizon return, PIK, ''dirty'' price, and other more sophisticated calculations have the option of purchasing versions of Intex Bond Calculations with those features.

''While users could program their own calculations, each calculation would require days of programming,'' explained Jim Wilner. ''But those calculations would be formula-based and nowhere as fast as our compiled functions. Moreover, a single calculation could consume an entire spreadsheet, whereas ours fit into a single spreadsheet cell.''

Close Working Relationship with Lotus Development Aids Enhancement Process

Intex has long benefitted from a strategic relationship with Lotus. The company, a member of the Lotus Strategic Partner Program (LSPP), typically works closely with Lotus developers througout the product development cycle, from alpha release to final shipment. When Lotus invites third-party developers to a workshop demonstrating the add-in tools, Intex is always there.

''Over the years, the close relationship between Lotus and Intex has yielded excellent products of great benefit to 1-2-3 users. We're excited at the prospect of the availability of Intex's broad line of enhancement products for 1-2-3 Release 3.1, and look forward to a continuing strong relationship,'' stated Paul McNaulty, director of 1-2-3 Release 3 Marketing at Lotus Development Corp.

For the 1-2-3 Release 3 upgrades, Wilner reports, ''We had early access to beta versions of the developers' toolkit (LEAF) as well as new tools which make it possible to ''hook'' C programs directly into 1-2-3 Release 3.1 Users benefit because our C programs run considerably faster than programs written in the LEAF language. Intex's Two-Tiered Marketing Formula

While adding 1-2-3 Release 3 compatability across the product line is a high priority at Intex, the company also recognizes that 1-2-3 Release 2 users remain a key segment of the 1-2-3 marketplace and continues to be fully committed to developing enhancement products for 1-2-3 Release 2. Pricing

Intex's 1-2-3 Release 3.1 enchancements are priced as follows: Forcast! ($145), Inventory Analyst ($199.95), Rescue Plus ($149.95), Trans for 1-2-3 ($95), Financial Toolkit (199.95), Intex Bond Calculations ($495 and up), and Intex Option Price Calculations ($495). They are available directly from Intex Solutions. For more information, please contact Jim Wilner or George Jigarjian.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Larry Moore has been named vice president of Lotus Development Corp.'s communications products division, the company announced Wednesday.

The communications products division is primarily responsible for Lotus Notes, a group communications software program that has achieved critical acclaim since its introduction in December 1989. Moore, who had been general manager of the Lotus Notes product group, will maintain responsibility for development and marketing of the product, and for creating new business relationships.

''Larry's promotion is an organizational response to the overwhelming demand for and level of interest in Lotus Notes from our customers and prospective users since the product began shipping late last year,'' said June Rokoff, Lotus' vice president of Communications
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''Larry has done an excellent job of establishing Lotus' vision for work-group communication in the marketplace as well as within the company. We plan to expand our commitment to workgroup computing and our investment in local-area network products, and this promotion reflects the increased emphasis Lotus is placing on this component of our business.''

Moore joined Lotus in February 1986 when ISYS Corp., of which he was president and founder, was acquired by the Cambridge, Mass.-based software developer. Moore, who formed ISYS with the goal of providing integrated microcomputer-based investment analysis systems, helped expand Lotus' position in the financial marketplace by spearheading Lotus' One Source product line from 1986 to 1987. Lotus One Source is a family of compact disc (CD-ROM) business and financial information products that allow business professionals to gather and analyze data more effectively. He began work with Lotus Notes in 1986.

Prior to ISYS, Moore was a vice president at Data Resources Inc., a Lexington, Mass.-based economic consulting and forecasting firm, where he

was responsible for the company's financial services business. Before DRI, Moore was an economist with the U.S. Treasury Department from 1973 to 1975.

Moore earned both a bachelor's degree in business administration and a master's degree in economics from Georgetown University.

Lotus Development Corp. (NASDAQ:LOTS) is the leading provider of applications software for personal computers and information services delivered on CD-ROM, and a worldwide supplier of applications software for workstation, minicomputer and mainframe computing environments.

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WOODBURY, NY (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Comverse Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:CMVT) announced revenues of $3,610,000 and $7,475,000 for the three-month and six-month periods ended June 30, representing increases of $208,000 (6 percent) and $1,617,000 (28 percent), respectively, over the corresponding periods of 1989.

Net income for the quarter and half year amounted to $151,000 and $211,000 representing increases of $15,000 (11 percent) and $61,000 (41 percent), respectively, over the corresponding prior year periods. Net income for each reporting period was less than one cent per share.

Kobi Alexander, president and chairman of the board, stated that, ''The results for the quarter and half year ended June 30, 1990 reflect the continued growth of the Company's operations.''

''We achieved profitability,'' Alexander continued, ''despite substantial increases in our marketing, sales and R&D budgets and related activities directed at building the overall strength of our operations and expanding our domestic and international business.'' Alexander added that, ''The increase in revenues reflects continuing growth in our domestic and international distribution activities, including an increase in large system orders received from service provider organizations.''

Comverse Technology Inc., located in Woodbury, develops, manufactures and markets high performance computer systems for commercial and defense communications applications, including integrated multi-media message management systems marketed under the name of TRILOGUE.

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TUPELO, MS (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Hancock Fabrics Inc. (NYSE:HKF) Wednesday announced unaudited results for its second fiscal quarter of 1990.

Sales for the quarter ended July 29, 1990 increased 11.7 percent to $87.2 million from $78.0 million in the like quarter last year. Net earnings for the quarter were $5.8 million, or 51 cents per share, compared with $5.2 million, or 41 cents per share in 1989's second quarter.

For the 26 weeks to date, sales rose 11.6 percent to $181.6 million from $162.7 million in the like period last year. Net earnings were $12.3 million, or $1.07 per share, compared with $11.0 million, or 86 cents per share in the first 26 weeks of 1989.

In commenting on the results, Morris O. Jarvis, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: ''Comparable sales gains of almost 7 percent helped to produce the company's best second quarter ever. Gross margins remained steady and operating expense ratios were lower despite the higher minimum wage and the initial drain of 49 new store openings since a year ago.''

During the quarter, Hancock opened nine new stores and closed four, finishing the 26 weeks with 18 openings and five closings. At July 29, 1990, the company operated 415 retail stores in 31 states under the names ''Hancock Fabrics,'' ''Minnesota Fabrics,'' ''Fabric Warehouse,'' and ''Fabric Market'' and supplied about 200 independent wholesale customers. Hancock Fabrics Inc. is a retail and wholesale merchant of fabrics, crafts and related home sewing and home decorating accessories.

HANCOCK FABRICS INC.
COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL SUMMARY
(unaudited)
(000's omitted except for Per Share amounts and Shares outstanding)

	13 Weeks		26 Weeks	
	7-29-90	7-30-89	7-29-90	7-30-89
Sales	$87,163	$78,014	$181,577	$162,709
Cost of Goods Sold				
After LIFO Effect	44,995	40,369	95,324	85,467
Gross Margin	42,168	37,645	86,253	77,242
Expenses:				
Selling, G&A	31,295	28,238	63,479	57,430
Dep'n/Amort	949	905	1,904	1,804
	32,244	29,143	65,383	59,234
E.B.I.T.	9,924	8,502	20,870	18,008

Interest Expense	859	655	1,727	1,300
Interest Income	(201)	(388)	(450)	(822)
Earnings Before Income Taxes	9,266	8,235	19,593	17,530
Income Taxes	3,442	3,061	7,273	6,520
Net Earnings	$ 5,824	$ 5,174	$12,320	$11,010
E.P.S.	51 cents	41 cents	$1.07	86 cents
Average Shares Outstanding	11,490,232	12,566,190	11,508,845	12,719,793
LIFO charge(credit) included in Operations	1,250	1,300	2,500	2,600

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Laser Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: PXLS) Wednesday announced that the company has filed its sixth patent application with the U.S. Office of Patents and Trademarks in connection with its development of the Phoenix Ophthalmic Surgical Workstation.

The announcement was made by H. Alfred Sklar, director of research for the San Francisco-based research and development company, who said, ''This application describes a method for a more efficient system for delivery of the laser beam to the target area.''

The company has previously filed five patent applications for the Surgical Workstation and earlier this week announced the start of human clinical testing of the workstation at the Barraquer Institute, in Bogata, Colombia.

The Phoenix Ophthalmic Surgical Workstation is a self contained proprietary workstation that combines on-line diagnostic measurement, advanced laser beam positioning, high-speed tissue tracking and therapeutic devices for the precise control of laser surgery. The company's technology permits surgery at cellular levels without creating significant thermal damage to surrounding cells.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - I.C.H. Corp. (ASE:ICH) Wednesday announced earnings for the three months ended June 30, 1990.

Net applicable to common stock was $6,176,000, or 13 cents per share, on revenues of $476,184,000. This compares to $7,230,000, or 15 cents per share, on revenues of $454,761,000 in the second quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net was $10,480,000, or 22 cents per share, on revenues of $953,628,000. This compares to a loss of ($11,137,000), or (23 cents) per share, on revenues of $889,156,000 in the six months of 1989.

Results by component for the three months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 were as follows:

	THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30,			
	Amount		Per common Share	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
(In thousands) Common equity, beginnng of period	$107,726	$433,008	$2.24	$8.81
Operating earnings before investment transactions:				
Pre-tax income	39,345	50,487	.82	1.04
Interest expense	(23,587)	(31,500)	(.49)	(.65)
Income tax expense	(543)	(3,883)	(.01)	(.08)
Subtotal, retained operations	15,215	15,104	.32	.31
Investment transactions, net:				
Realized gains (losses)	(1,334)	(1,877)	(.03)	(.04)
First executive-equity in earnings	3,883	4,984	.08	.10
-write-downs	(3,883)		(.08)	
Divested operations effects		(3,281)		(.06)
Subtotal	(1,334)	(174)	.03	--
Operating earnings	13,881	14,930	.29	.31
Preferred dividends	(7,700)	(7,700)	(.16)	(.16)
Operated earnings applicable to common stock	6,181	7,230	.13	.15
Extraordinary loss, net	(5)			
Net earnings applicable to common stock	6,176	7,230	.13	.15
Change in unrealized investment gains	(1,457)	(11,680)	(.04)	(.23)
Purchase of treasury shares		(4,370)		.07
Common equity, end of period	$112,445	$424,188	$2.33	$8.80

Results by component for the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 were as follows:

	SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30,			
	Amount		Per Common Share	
	(In thousands)			
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Common equity, beginning of year	$ 98,484	$450,439	$2.04	$9.16
Operating earnings (loss) before investment transactions:				
Pre-tax income	74,637	83,333	1.55	1.70
Interest expense	(48,155)	(63,116)	(1.00)	(1.29)
Income tax (expense) credit	1,678	(2,569)	.03	(.05)
Subtotal, retained operations	28,160	17,648	.58	.36
Investment transactions, net:				
Realized gains (losses)	(1,379)	(6,802)	(.02)	(.14)
First executive-equity in earnings	10,772	(2,606)	.22	(.05)
-write-down	(10,772)		(.22)	
Divested operations effects	(6,545)	(3,977)	(.14)	(.08)
Subtotal	(7,924)	(13,385)	(.16)	(.27)
Operating earnings (loss)	20,236	4,263	.42	.09
Preferred dividends	(15,400)	(15,400)	(.32)	(.32)
Operating earnings (loss) applicable to common stock	4,836	(11,137)	.10	(.23)
Extraordinary gain, net	5,644		.12	
Net earnings applicable to common stock	10,480	(11,137)	.22	(.23)
Change in unrealized investment gains	3,481	(9,980)	.07	(.21)
Purchase of treasury shares		(5,134)		.08
Common equity, end of period	$112,445	$424,188	$2.33	$8.80

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NEW YORK/LONDON (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Marsh & McLennan Companies Inc. will integrate its worldwide reinsurance broking operations to form one global reinsurance business under Guy Carpenter & Co. Inc., it was announced Wednesday by Frank J. Tasco, chairman of the board.

Richard H. Blum will become chairman of Guy Carpenter & Co. Inc. and G.H.C. Wakefield will be deputy chairman. A New York Operating Committee will be responsible for reinsurance business in the United States and Canada and a London Operating Committee will be responsible for reinsurance business elsewhere in the world.

Tasco stated, ''The 1990s are bringing new challenges and unprecedented opportunities to the business of reinsurance. We must be able to respond to changes occuring in the insurance industry and the reinsurance marketplace, as well as the dynamic political, economic and technological developments around the world.

Marsh & McLennan Companies Inc. is a professional services firm with insurance and reinsurance broking, consulting and investment management businesses. Over 24,000 employees in 80 countries provide analysis, advice and transactional capabilities to clients worldwide. Marsh & McLennan Companies' stock is listed on the New York, Midwest, Pacific and London stock exchanges. Its NYSE ticker symbol is MMC.

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STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson announced Wednesday that it will form a new company for production of mechanical parts for radar and other electronic systems.

The new company, not yet named, will be owned 30 percent by Ericsson and 70 percent by Datormekan-gruppen, a company specializing in mechanical manufacturing. Both companies have worked together for many years and have their plants in Sweden.

About 150 of Ericsson's personnel will be transferred to, and employed by, the new company. Production will continue for the time being in the present plants.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications recognized for

its advanced systems and products for wired and mobile communications in public and private networks.

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MIAMI (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - American Bankers Insurance Group Inc. (NASDAQ:ABIG) declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 12 1/2 cents per share payable Sept. 21 to common shareholders of record on Sept. 7.

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WESTBOROUGH, MA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Epoch Systems Wednesday announced a joint marketing agreement with Cayman Systems of Cambridge, MA.

Cayman's Gatorbox and Gatorshare products enable users on Apple Macintosh networks to access the Epoch-1 InfiniteStorage Server. The Epoch-1 provides the industry's lowest cost on-line storage and the most advanced network storage management software available.

The Epoch-1 is a family of NFS and TCP/IP-compatible network storage servers that transparently integrates high capacity, low cost optical disks with high speed magnetic disks. The Epoch-1 includes systems that can be configured as one or more file systems supporting 1 GB to 1000GB of on-line storage. They provide central data storage, automated file management and automated backup for networks requiring very fast online access to high-capacity disk storage over an Ethernet network. The Epoch-1 is based on a hierarchical storage architecture that seamlessly integrates optical disk technology into a high-speed winchester storage system.

''We're very excited about our relationship with Epoch Systems,'' said Ted Stabler, Cayman's president. ''More and more, Macintosh users need to have access to advanced storage and backup capabilities such as those provided by the Epoch-1 Server. The GatorBox running GatorShare provides that access and, because it preserves the standard Macintosh network user interface, requires no additional training on the part of the Macintosh user.''

The GatorBox is an AppleTalk-to-Ethernet gateway that connects a Macintosh network to the Epoch-1. GatorShare networking software runs on a GatorBox

and translates the Network File System (NFS) protocol used by the Epoch-1 into the Apple Filing Protocol used by AppleShare. This gives Macintosh users the same advantages that the Epoch-1 provides to other NFS-based networks:

-- On-line access to 1GB-1000GB of data, freeing up local disk space, enabling all systems on the network to perform more efficiently.

-- Automatic on-line archiving, eliminating manual bookkeeping.

-- Fully automated system backup, enabling on-line, unattended backups with no disruption to the user and protection against accidental data loss.

-- Integrated magnetic and optical disks for magnetic disk performance at optical disk prices.

-- A specialized server architecture for high performance file access.

Epoch Systems is a leading supplier of network storage management systems for users of high-performance workstations in business, industry, education and government. The company is headquartered in Westborough, MA with sales and support offices located throughout the United States, Europe, Canada and Asia.

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RANDOLPH, NJ (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Boonton Electronics Corp. (NASDAQ:BOON) announced Wednesday the third fiscal quarter and nine months results for the period ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990 sales were $2,942,956 compared to $2,547,696 for the similar quarter a year ago. Net income of $43,500 or 3 cents per share compared with a third quarter loss of $25,572 or 2 cents per share last year.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, sales of $9,037,367 compared to $8,178,883 for the year earlier period.

Net income of $207,063 or 16 cents per share were reported for this year's nine months versus breakeven operations in fiscal 1989's corresponding period.

Joseph G. Gillespie, president, commented, ''These results confirm our belief that the September fiscal 1990 year will conclude on a strong note. The fourth quarter could be our strongest quarter ever. Business continues to strengthen. Backlog has expanded to $3.4 million as of June 30, 1990 as a result of record bookings of $4.5 million in the third quarter.''

Boonton Electronics Corp. designs, manufactures, and sells electronic test and measurement instruments for RF and Microwave markets. Boonton is a leader in the Power Meter segment of that market.

Boonton Electronics Corp.
Financial Highlights

	3 Months Ended June 30		9 Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$ 2,942,956	$ 2,547,696	$ 9,037,367	$ 8,178,883
Net income (loss)	$ 43,500	$ (25,572)	$ 207,063	$ 0
Net income (loss) per share	$ 0.03	$ (0.02)	$ 0.16	0
Average number of shares outstanding	1,296,785	1,298,461	1,296,785	1,372,245

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Tigera Group Inc., (NASDAQ:TYGR), Wednesday reported a loss of $705,000, or 3 cents per share, for the second quarter ended June 30.

For the 1989 second quarter, the company reported a loss of $366,000, or less than 2 cents per share.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported a loss fo $1,419,000, or 7 cents per share. Comparable 1989 results reflected a loss of $54,000, or less than 1 cent per share.

The company noted that the 1990 second quarter and first half losses reflect the company's 35 percent share of losses at Cinexus Capital Corp. of approximately $450,000 and $992,000, repsectively, attributable to reduced filming activity affecting the Canadian film production industry,

amortization of a license agreement and goodwill related to Cinexus' acquisition of Panavision (Canada) Ltd. and related financing costs.

At the annual meeting of shareholders held on Monday, Aug. 13th, the following persons were elected directors:

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Andrew Jody Gessow
Jaime Gilinski
Issac Gilinski
Joseph M. Girard
Don R. MacPherson
Waldemar Oelschlager

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STAMFORD, VT (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Patten Corp. (NYSE:PAT) Wednesday reported operating results for the three months ending July 1, 1990.

First quarter sales of real estate were $19.5 million compared to $25.1 million for the three months ending July 2, 1989. Net loss for the quarter was $2.3 million, or $(.13) per share.

The softer real estate market in the Northeast led to a decrease in sales volume and lower gross margins. The downturn in the market of real estate and the economy in general, has had an adverse effect on the company's ability to sell inventory at historical rates of sales and margins.

The effects of economic and real estate market fluctuations in the Northeast continue to be somewhat mitigated by the company's operations in such areas as the Southeast, Mid-Atlantic and the West.

Patten Corp.
First Quarter Earnings Report
Period Ending July 1, 1990
(In thousands except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	1st QTR FY 1991	1st QTR FY 1990
Sales of real estate	$19,454	$25,138
Income before income taxes and cumulative effect of a change in method of accounting for		

income taxes	(3,598)	(3,021)
Benefit (provision) for income taxes	1,331	1,303
Cumulative effect of a change in method of accounting for income taxes	--	2,500
Net income	$(2,267)	$ 782
EPS - primary: Income before cumulative effect of a change in method of accounting for income taxes	$ (.13)	$ (.10)
Cumulative effect of a change in method of accounting for income taxes	--	.15
Net income	$ (.13)	$ .05
EPS - fully diluted: Income before cumulative effect of change in method of accounting for income taxes	$ (.13)	$ (.10)
Cumulative effect of a change in method of accounting for income taxes	--	.15
Net income	$ (.13)	$ .05
Weighed average number of common and common equivalent shares	17,037,810	17,017,763

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Armand Hammer, chairman and chief executive officer of Occidental Petroleum Corp., announced Wednesday that Occidental's subsidiary, MidCon Corp. (formerly named United Energy Resources Inc.), will redeem, on Sept. 17, 1990, all of its outstanding Debentures 13 percent Series due Sept. 15, 1993 and, on Oct. 15, 1990, all of its outstanding Debentures 13-3/8 percent Series due Oct. 15, 1994, in each case at a redemption price of 100 percent of the principal amount thereof.

The Debentures 13 percent Series and the Debentures 13-3/8 percent Series are outstanding in the aggregate principal amounts of $100 million and $75 million, respectively, and have been guaranteed by Occidental.

Dr. Hammer stated that the redemptions will result in lower interest expense to Occidental and are part of the company's continuing program to lengthen its maturities of long-term debt.

The interest installment payable on the Debentures 13 percent Series on Sept. 15, will be paid by MidCon in the usual manner to the holders of record at the close of business on Sept. 1.

Interest accrued on the Debentures 13 percent Series from Sept. 15, to

Sept. 17, the redemption date for such Debentures (2 days), will be paid by MidCon upon surrender of such Debentures for redemption.

The interest installment payable on the Debentures 13-3/8 percent Series on Oct. 15 will be paid by MidCon in the usual manner to the holders of record at the close of business on Oct 1.

Payment of the redemption price on the Debentures 13 percent Series will be made on or after Sept. 17, and payment of the redemption price on the Debentures 13-3/8 percent Series will be made on or after Oct. 15, upon delivery of the respective Debentures to Bank One, Texas, National Association, as trustee, Houston, Texas, or to IBJ Schroder Bank & Trust Co., New York, New York.

Notice of the redemptions and instructions for delivery of the Debentures are being mailed to registered holders.

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NAPPANEE, IN (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Mallard Coach Co. Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:MALC) announced its sales and operating results for the quarter ended July 28, 1990.

Net income for the 13 weeks was $948,000 or 15 cents per share on sales of $42,517,000. This compared to net income of $427,000 or 7 cents on sales of $41,288,000 for last year.

Net income for the nine months ended July 28, 1990 was $2,509,000 or 40 cents per share on sales of $129,318,000. This compared to net income of $3,655,000 or 58 cents per share on sales of $148,437,000 for last year.

Mallard Coach manufactures motorized and pull-type recreational vehicles and truck campers in eight locations in Indiana, Michigan, Georgia and California. These products are sold under the brand names of MALLARD, PRAIRIE SCHOONER, FLIGHT LEADER, OVERLAND, DISCOVERY EXPRESS, LEXINGTON, SPRINTER, SPRINT, SPORT AND REAL-LITE.

The company's stock is traded on NASDAQ/NMS under the symbol MALC.

MALLARD COACH CO. INC.

	13 Weeks ended		39 Weeks ended	
	7/28/90	7/29/89	7/28/90	7/29/89
Sales	42,517,000	41,228,000	129,318,000	148,437,000
Net income	948,000	427,000	2,509,000	3,655,000

Net income per common share	15 cents	7 cents	40 cents	58 cents

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IRVINE, CA and UTICA, NY (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - LASER PRECISION CORPORATION (NASDAQ:LASR) chairman, president and chief executive officer David M. Goodman announced today that Eugene R. White, Jr. has been named president of the Company's Radiometric and Fiber Optic Division based in Utica, New York.

''Under Gene White's able guidance since joining Laser Precision as senior vice president and general manager of our Utica division in 1986, annual revenue has grown from $6.5 million to nearly $20 million last year as the division emerged as the U.S. leader in fiber optic test equipment with a 40 percent market share,'' Goodman said.

''Gene's appointment to president of the division reflects his outstanding performance and Laser Precision's expectation that the business will continue to grow rapidly and profitably under his strong leadership,'' Goodman added.

White, 38, was operations manager and division general manager of Granger Associates between 1982 and 1986 with responsibility for the marketing, engineering and manufacturing of echo canceller products for the telecommunications industry. He also had been involved in manufacturing, procurement and test engineering during the start-up of digital T-1 products at Granger, which became a subsidiary of Digital Switch Corporation in 1985.

From 1980 to 1982, White was operations manager in the telecommunications products group at Eaton Corporation. White attended UCLA and San Jose State University, earning a BS degree in business management in 1975. He lives with his wife Tamara and their three children in Utica, New York.

Laser Precision Corporation is a manufacturer of test and measurement instruments combining advanced optical designs with microprocessor technology. The Company's products are used in fiber optic telecommunications, data communications, laser research, process control, environmental monitoring, and chemical analysis.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T has signed an agreement with Kay Jewelers, Inc. to provide AT&T Enhanced FAX service for the company's 500 retail stores in the United States.

The agreement with Kay Jewelers is one of the largest sales for AT&T Enhanced FAX since the service was introduced in September, 1989.

AT&T Enhanced FAX is a package of fully automated global store and forward capabilities, which is part of AT&T's global messaging product line. Global messaging is an evolving ability to exchange information between a multitude of sources -- such as a computer terminal, telephone or facsimile machine -- in a multitude of forms -- such as text, data, voice or image -- anywhere in the world.

Kay Jewelers is using the automated broadcast feature of AT&T Enhanced FAX to expedite the distribution of information from its corporate headquarters in Alexandria, Va., to its stores throughout the country.

Using the advanced technology of the AT&T network, AT&T Enhanced FAX lets the company deliver sales information, reports and product updates with a single fax command for more efficient and timely delivery of fax messages to multiple recipients.

Kay Jewelers is using AT&T Enhanced FAX in tandem with its AT&T Software Defined Network (SDN) to provide a highly cost effective and technically advanced communications system. SDN is a virtual private network service offered by AT&T that allows customers to use AT&T's public network as if it were a private network, avoiding costly capital investments.

Kay Jewelers, Inc. is the second largest retail jewelry company in the United States.

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FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE: PIR), reported Wednesday that sales for the fiscal month ended August 4, 1990 increased 15.6 percent to $45,995,000 from the $39,800,000 a year earlier.

Comparable store sales were up 0.3 percent.

Pier 1 Imports is a specialty retailer of decorative home furnishings with 535 stores in North America.

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AUSTIN, TX (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Prime Medical Services, Inc. (''Prime'') (NASDAQ: PMSI) today announced results for the second quarter of 1990. For the three months ended June 30, 1990, revenues increased to $3,511,000 from $3,253,000 for the same period in 1989. The Net Loss amounted to $448,000, or $0.05 per share, vs. $965,000 or $0.11 per share in 1989.

For the first six months, Prime reported revenues of $7 million vs. $6,916,000 in 1989. A net loss of $651,000 or $0.08 per share compares to a loss of $1,553,000 or $0.18 per share in 1989.

The loss for the second quarter 1990 includes a nonrecurring expense of $72,000 for prior years' property taxes at one of the Imaging centers and approximately $100,000 for costs associated with three regional meetings held by Prime for the nursing and administrative staff from all of the cardiac centers.

Jackie Majors, president of Prime, stated, ''Although we expect continued losses from operations through year-end, we are on track with our efforts to improve results in 1991. We expect to have a positive third quarter, due to the sale of our Employee Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (''EPIC'') stock during July. This sale, offset by other nonrecurring events, will result in a nonrecurring gain of approximately $900,000.''

Prime Medical Services, Inc. is engaged in providing non-medical management services to 47 cardiac rehabilitation clinics and seven imaging centers in 13 states.

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Mr. Jackie Majors, president or Mrs. Cheryl D'Angelo, vice president, finance, 512/328-2892.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Frank P. DiPrima, president and chief operating officer of Western Publishing Group Inc. (NASDAQ: WPGI),

Wednesday announced the retirement of Larry Wright as president and chief executive officer of Penn Corp.'s Ad Specialty Division.

In addition, DiPrima announced the appointment of Dennis G. Multack as president and chief executive officer of Penn Corp.'s Ad Specialty Division to replace Wright.

Citing personal and family considerations, Wright felt that after 35 years with the company, it was time to pass the baton to a new generation. Wright will remain active with the company as a consultant.

DiPrima said, "I can fully understand Larry's desire to spend more time with his wife, children and grandchildren after so many years of dedication to this business. I am particularly delighted that Larry will remain involved with Penn Corporation."

Multack joins Penn Corp. with an extensive background in manufacturing and sales. Most recently he was president of Gilmed Manufacturing in Chicago. Prior to that, he spent 6-1/2 years with General Medical Corp. in various executive capacities, most recently as president and chief executive officer of its subsidiary, General Medical Manufacturing Co.

Multack also spent nine years with Abbott Laboratories in Chicago, becoming division controller of manufacturing for its Hospital Products Division and later division controller for all corporate distribution.

"We are very pleased that someone of the general management experience, skill and energy of Dennis Multack will be leading Western's Advertising Specialty Division into its next phase of growth," DiPrima said.

Through its Western Publishing Co. subsidiary, Western Publishing Group Inc. is the nation's largest creator, publisher, printer, and marketer of story books and other activity books and products for children.

These products are sold prinicpally under the Golden and Golden Book names. The company is a major producer and marketer of puzzles, games, children's video and special interest books for adults.

Western Publishing Co. also ranks among the largest commercial printers in the United States, offering a wide range of printing, graphic and creative services to customers in industry and government.

Western Publishing Group Inc. through the two operating divisions of its Penn Corp. subsidiary, Beach/Contempo Products and Ritepoint/Vitronic Ad Specialty Products, is engaged in the manufacture and sale of disposable paper tableware and party goods, stationery and advertising specialties and promotional business products.

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DALLAS (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Pratt Hotel Corp. (AMEX:PHC) reported a net loss of $7,592,000, or 15 cents per share for the quarter ended June 30, compared to a net loss of $3,264,000, or 6 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

Net revenues for the 1990 second quarter amounted to a record $70,491,000 compared to net revenues for the 1989 second quarter of $62,896,000.

PHC's flagship property, the Sands on the Park in Atlantic City, N.J. reported a 10 percent increase in net revenues to $65.9 million on a 16.1 percent improvement in gross wagering to $471.7 million.

The growth in business volume resulted from continued favorable customer response to a recently completed extensive capital improvement program and new marketing and promotional activities, including a slot marketing system instituted in the 1989 fourth quarter.

An increase in the provision for doubtful accounts of approximately $1 million, and the losses associated with the company's contribution of obligatory investments to the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority (''CRDA'') of approximately $2.8 million, combined with higher operating costs to offset the favorable increase in revenues.

The losses on obligatory investments relate to the company's estimate of the realizable value of its previously made CRDA investments. The Sands on the Park anticipates receiving a waiver of certain investment obligations and estimates that its 1992 and 1993 deposit requirements would be reduced by approximately $2.5 million.

PHC continues its aggressive pursuit of its litigation against Boardwalk Properties Inc., Penthouse International Ltd., Robert C. Guccione, Trump Plaza Casino/Hotel and Donald J. Trump, individually. Second quarter results also reflect an increase in litigation costs associated with this suit which began in March 1989.

For the first half of 1990, Pratt posted a net loss of $14,212,000 or 28 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $5,141,000 or 10 cents per share for 1990's first six months. Net revenues increased to $131.9 million compared with 1989's $120.2 million. The first half results, again, were impacted primarily by provisions for doubtful accounts, the losses on obligatory investments and increased operating expenses, which have reduced operating margins compared to the 1989 period.

PRATT HOTEL CORP.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$ 70,491,000	$ 62,896,000	$ 131,877,000	$ 120,171,000
Net loss	$ (7,592,000)	$ (3,264,000)	$ (14,212,000)	$ (5,141,000)
Net loss per common share	$ (.15)	$ (.06)	$ (.28)	$ (.10)

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SOUTH NORWALK, CT (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Union Corp. (NYSE:UCO) Wednesday reported its revenues and earnings for the fiscal year ended June 30 and the fourth quarter.

Revenues from continuing operations for the year were $71,595,000 compared with $58,479,000 for the prior year, an increase of 22 percent. Income from continuing operations and net income was $7,987,000, or $1.05 per share, compared with income from continuing operations of $3,639,000 or 50 cents per share a year ago.

In fiscal 1989, net income, after gain of $5,211,000 on sale of Gichner Systems Group and net extraordinary items of $2,240,000, was $12,325,000 or $1.70 per share. The average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding for primary earnings per share were 7,605,613 and 7,187,668 for the 12 months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Revenues from continuing operations for the fourth quarter were $20,416,000 or 27 percent ahead of $16,071,000 a year ago. Income from continuing operations and net income was $2,104,000, or 27 cents per share as compared with income from continuing operations of $1,706,000 or 23 cents per share last year.

Net income after gain of $5,029,000 on sale of Gichner Systems Group and net extraordinary items of $165,000 was $6,900,000, or 94 cents per share for the quarter last year. The average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding for primary earnings per share were 7,716,603 and 7,314,453 for the 3 months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Capital Credit reported a 38 percent increase in the volume of accounts

receivable placed by major clients, and Transworld Systems opened a total of 21 new sales offices in fiscal 1990. These factors contributed to revenue growth and the profit improvement of each company.

The outlook for the industry is promising as consumer debt remains at high levels, the issuance of credit cards has increased and installment debt continues to rise. Based on these factors, Mr. Cooper added, the prospect for Transworld Systems and Capital Credit is encouraging for fiscal 1991.

The company's financial condition continues to be extremely strong and liquid, which will enable Union to fund internal growth as well as to pursue acquisition opportunities as they develop.

The company provides accounts receivable management and debt collection services on a fixed rate and contingency fee basis to a wide range of institutional, commercial and government customers through its Transworld Systems Inc. and Capital Credit Corp. subsidiaries.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The VME Group reports sales of MUSD 644.4 for the first six months of 1990, an increase of 18 percent compared to the same period in 1989.

The higher sales were the result of strong retail sales of both machines and spare parts, and the impact of sales in other than U.S. dollars when translated to U.S. dollars.

Net profits were also at a record MUSD 22.7 for the first six months of 1990, up 7 percent over the same period in 1989. Net profits increased mainly because of higher sales, but were moderated by a loss in the Brazilian operations during the first half of 1990 due to the impact on the market of the economic austerity enforced by the new Brazilian government.

The world market for earthmoving and construction equipment softened somewhat in the first half of 1990 compared to the same period a year earlier with a few exceptions such as Germany and Japan. There was a noticeable slowdown in some major markets such as the United Kingdom, France and Spain. Also the North American market was showing some signs of weakness.

These developments, together with the present economic and political uncertainties as a result of the crisis in the Gulf, constitute a strong indication that the second half of 1990 may not be nearly as buoyant as 1989 when order intake was at a high level.

VME Group is a major international manufacturer of earthmoving and construction equipment with production facilities in Europe and North and South America. VME products are sold through a worldwide distribution network under the well known Volvo BM, Michigan and Euclid trademarks. The product line includes wheel loaders, rigid and articulated haulers, rubber-tired dozers and excavator loaders.

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GREENWOOD, SC (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - United Financial Corp. of South Carolina Inc. (NASDAQ:UNSA) today announced financial results for its first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, net income increased 15 percent to $660,000, or 34 cents per share, compared with $575,000, or 30 cents per share, for the three months ended June 30, 1989.

Earnings do not include the results of operations of Home Federal Savings Bank of S.C., Rock Hill, S.C. The acquisition of Home Federal was substantially completed as of June 30, 1990, and has been accounted for using the purchase method of accounting.

The application of the purchase method of accounting resulted in the adjustment of the assets and liabilities of Home Federal based upon fair values at the date of acquisition. Reported consolidated income of United Financial for periods subsequent to June 30, 1990, will include the results of operations of Home Federal after acquisition.

At June 30, 1990, total assets had increased to $499,183,000 compared with $275,922,000 at March 31, 1990, reflecting the recent acquisition of Home Federal with assets totaling approximately $220,000,000 at June 30, 1990.

Stockholders' equity was $41,225,000, or approximately 8.3 percent of total assets. Net loans totaled $414,557,000 at June 30, 1990, and deposits were $414,194,000, compared with $222,938,000 and $233,288,000,

respectively, at March 31, 1990.

United Financial Corp. of South Carolina, Inc. is a multiple savings and loan holding company with two subsidiaries, United Savings Bank, Inc. of Greenwood, and Home Federal Savings Bank of S.C. in Rock Hill.

United Savings Bank Inc. serves Greenville, Greenwood and the surrounding area through five full-service and two limited-service offices. Home Federal Savings Bank of South Carolina operates eight full-service offices in the Rock Hill area.

UNITED FINANCIAL CORP. OF SOUTH CAROLINA INC.
Unaudited Financial Highlights
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
Total interest income	$ 6,967	$ 6,517
Total interest expense	4,533	4,494
Net interest income	2,434	2,023
Provision for loan losses	68	96
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	2,366	1,927
Other income	72	186
Other expense	1,322	1,234
Income before tax	1,116	879
Income tax	456	304
Net income	$ 660	$ 575
Net income per share	$ .34	$ .30
Average shares outstanding	1,949	1,947

	June 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
Total assets	$499,183	$275,922
Loans receivable and loans held for sale, net	$414,557	$222,938
Mortgage-backed securities, net	$ 28,307	$ 16,534
Investments	$ 28,237	$ 21,565
Deposits	$414,194	$233,288
Borrowings	$ 36,467	-0-
Stockholders' equity	$ 41,225	$ 39,267

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RIVERSIDE, CA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Rastra Building Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:RAST) Wednesday announced the signing of the first phase of a five-year multi-phase project with Ari-Sonora Development Corp. of Phoenix Ariz.

This first phase calls for the construction of 14 custom homes in the resort area of Rocky Point Mex. Discussions are presently underway with Ari-Sonora Development for further use of the Rastra material in several areas of the United States, including a 420-unit apartment complex in Las Vegas, Nev.

Rastra manufactures a unique building material utilizing recycled polystyrene, such as that found in fast-food containers and packing material and ordinary portland cement. The patented process was developed in Austria in 1968 and is currently being manufactured in eight countries including West Germany, Austria and Korea and is being shipped to numerous countries around the world.

The material has superior insulating and sound-diffusing qualities, is fire-resistent and is lighter and easier to handle than conventional materials. The first U.S. facility recently went on- line in Riverside.

The Ari-Sonora contract calls for construction to commence on or about Sept. 15th and will be the first multi-home project in North America to be built using the Rastra Building System.

Also scheduled in mid-September is the construction of a single-family home in Templeton, Calif., which has been designed by California Polytechnical Institutes's School of Architecture in San Luis Obispo.

Being promoted as the ''home of the future'' by Cal Poly Architecture Professor Donald Grant, the Rastra material was chosen as the primary building material due to its superior physical characteristics, its use of recycled polystyrene as an integral part of its manufacture and the fact that the Rastra material is also recyclable itself.

The Cal Poly home was the idea of Architecture Professors Don Grant and George Hasslein. Their aim was to devise a method of construction which would ''emphasize recycled materials and ecologically responsible and sustainable materials and processes'' while also being affordable to middle-income families.

The Rastra System is also currently being used in the design and construction of a shopping center in Minden, La., and several custom homes in Arizona with negotiations for further contracts continuing in both areas.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - A. Joseph Tandet, president of Little Prince Productions Ltd. (NASDAQ Symbol:LTLP)(OTC) announces the results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Little Prince Productions Ltd.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended June 30, 1990	Three Months Ended June 30, 1989
Revenues	$3,432	$18,100
Net income (loss)	$(35,678)	$(37,640)
Net income (loss) per share	$(0.02)	$(0.02)

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Prime Financial Partners, L.P. (AMEX:PFP) Wednesday announced results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30.

The company's rise in revenues for the quarter and first half is due to the increase in national insurance carriers marketing the Trust and a continued increase in market acceptance. During the past 12 months the number of national insurance carriers marketing the Trust has gone from two to 14, according to the company.

For the second quarter ended June 30, the company had revenues of $539,260 compared with $461,244 for the same period last year. Prime had a net loss of $446,056, or 8 cents per Class A Unit, for the three month period against a loss of $482,680, or 15 cents per Class A Unit, in the same period last year.

For the first six months of 1990, Prime had revenues of $1,234,737 compared to $806,009 for the first half of 1989. The company had a net loss of $592,814, or 13 cents per Class A Unit, for the first half against a net loss of $851,603, or 27 cents per Class A Unit, for the same period last year.

Prime stated that the increase in revenues between the periods is primarily due to increases in commission income earned on contributions to

the Prime Financial Benefit Trust of 165 percent and 169 percent for the three months and six months ended June 30 over the comparable periods of 1989. The partnership also reported an increase in administrative fee income associated with the annual administration of the Trust.

Expenses, primarily associated with the marketing effort, increased in the first half and contributed to the rise in Trust activity. During the first six months of 1990, according to the company, the partnership conducted more than 150 sales seminars in over 70 cities nationwide directed toward educating insurance agents and financial planners on the Trust product.

Last month Prime reported plans to complete the restructuring of the partnership which began with the write-down of its real estate assets in 1989 and was followed by the sale of $2.5 million of unregistered Class A units.

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ALBANY, NY (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - John J. Brunner, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Home & City Savings Bank (NASDAQ: HCSB), announced Wednesday that the board of directors approved an increase in the regular quarterly cash dividend from 24 cents per share to 33 cents per share at the August board meeting. The board declared the increased dividend payable on Sept. 28 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 14.

"This substantial increase translates into an annualized dividend improvement from 96 cents per share to $1.32 per share or a 37.5 percent increase. The higher dividend reflects the confidence the board of directors and I have in the direction and strength of Home & City," Brunner said.

Commenting further he said, "During a period in which a number of banking institutions in the Northeast are experiencing financial difficulties, Home & City has maintained an equity-to-asset ratio in excess of 11 percent making it among the strongest of all financial institutions in this region.

"In the past quarter, the bank has seen an improvement in its non-performing assets and has further increased its loan loss reserve as part of a program to continually strengthen its balance sheet. These

factors along with stable core earnings lead the Directors to increase the dividend."

Brunner added, "With the level of equity this institution has, we are able to pay a higher dividend at this time and improve the yield on our shareholders' investment."

The bank's total assets were $862.4 million as of June 30 and FDIC-insured deposits were $741.7 million. Stockholders' equity equaled $95.6 million or $33.23 per share, and the bank's equity-to-asset ratio was a strong 11.1 percent at June 30.

Home & City Savings Bank is the largest, New York State chartered savings bank headquartered in Albany. It became a publicly owned savings bank in 1986. The company operates 15 branches and loan centers in the capital region and surrounding communities. Home & City is a full service bank active in commercial, consumer and residential lending, in addition to brokerage and trust services.

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CONCORD, MA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad Inc. Wednesday announced shipment of its new telecommunications line card test solution, the GR2286 Line Card Test Option.

The GR2286 Line Card Test Option features the proven in-circuit test and diagnostic capability of the GR2286 Production Test System integrated with the Wandel and Golterman PCM-4 channel measuring system and the Lorrain T50PR Ring Generator controlled by the GR Line Card Interpretive Programming Language.

Custom-designed by GenRad's telecommunications test specialists to meet the customer-specific test requirements of a major U.S. telecommunications manufacturer, the GR2286 Line Card Option adds to the growing family of GenRad telecommunications test solutions. In 1989, GenRad introduced the GR2276 ISDN Test Solution based on the Tekelec TE931 ISDN Protocol Simulator/Analyzer.

Thomas J. Coughlin, GenRad director of Tactical Marketing said, "The GR2276 and GR2286 Production Test Systems have won widespread acceptance throughout the telecommunications industry around the world.

With the release of the GR2286 Line Card Test Option, GenRad continues its commitment to the telecommunications industry with both standard products and custom solutions aimed at solving printed circuit board test probems

on a global scale."

GenRad Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems and automatic test equipment, to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing, and process quality management. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its trading symbol is GEN.

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BLUE BELL, PA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Castle Energy Corp. (NASDAQ: CECX), announced Wednesday that its registration statement on Form S-1 for 7,627,416 shares of Castle Energy Corp. common stock has become effective with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

An additional 7,377,016 shares of the registered common stock had previously been issued to shareholders of Castle Energy Corp. through private placements since December 1985, and were subject to a restrictive legend.

The remaining 250,400 shares are being registered for issuance to holders of warrants for Castle Energy Corp. common stock. There are presently 8,419,585 shares of Castle Energy Corp. issued and outstanding.

Joseph L. Castle II, president of the company, indicated that the company had registered this stock to allow the holders thereof to enjoy the full benefits of holding Castle Energy stock without restriction.

Castle Energy Corp. is the owner of exploration, production, and refining assets. The company maintains exploration and production offices in Pittsburgh and Tulsa, Okla., and is the majority owner of a refinery in Lawrenceville, Ill.

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WALLINGFORD, CT (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: NMTX) Wednesday announced that its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended April 29, 1990 will not be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission when due.

Until the Annual Report on Form 10-K is filed, the company's common stock

will trade on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol NMTXE.

The company stated that the preparation of the company's financial statements has been delayed because of complex accounting issues associated with losses incurred in Fiscal 1990, the closing of its U.K. subsidiaries, the recently completed restructuring of the company's indebtedness and other extraordinary transactions which also occurred in Fiscal 1990.

The resolution of these financial presentation issues will have no impact on the current fiscal year which ends April 28, 1991. The company is working with its independent accountants to complete the financial statements and anticipates filing the Annual Report on Form 10-K within 30 days.

NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. is a leading designer, developer, manufacturer and marketer of medical electronic instruments which non-invasively and continuously assess a critically ill patient's oxygen and carbon dioxide status. The company's products are primarily used in operating rooms, intensive care units and respiratory therapy departments.

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MIAMI (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Peerless Productions Limited Inc. (NASDAQ:PEER) Wednesday commenced production of the video version of Doubles, a 1985 Broadway play.

The play is being shot in Miami and will feature such notable stars as Gary Burghoff, who played Rader in M.A.S.H., Steve Landesberg, of Barney Miller, and Dan Hadaya, of Cheers.

Peerless owns 45 percent of this production. Peerless expects to sell Doubles on a market by market basis to international television and cable companies around the world.

Peerless also announced today that it reacquired the Broadway and London stage rights to PAPA, a one man show by Pulitzer Prize winning journalist, John De Groot. Peerless hopes to produce it in the spring on Broadway.

Peerless Productions Limited Inc. is a Florida and London based company developing and producing high quality original theatrical properties for the motion picture industry, live theatre and television internationally.

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LEXINGTON, MA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Interneuron Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ:IPIC) Wednesday announced its results of operations for the three and nine month periods ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported net losses of 4 cents per share for the 1990 three month period and 12 cents per share for the 1990 nine month period.

This compares to net losses of 2 cents per share for the comparable 1989 three month period and 3 cents per share for the period from inception (Oct. 7, 1988) to June 30, 1989.

The company had interest income of $193,681 and $260,789 for the 1990 three and nine months, respectively, and contract revenues of $50,000 and $100,000, respectively, for such periods. The weighted average numbers of shares outstanding for the three and nine months ended June 30, 1990 were 16,089,466 and 12,809,797, respectively.

For the three months ended June 30, 1989 and the period from inception through June 30, 1989, the weighted average number of shares outstanding were 9,453,236 and 9,384,870, repsectively.

Founded in October 1988, Interneuron Pharmaceuticals specializes in the development and commercialization of innovative pharmaceutical products to treat central nervous system conditions and disorders.

The company is focusing primarily on investigating new compounds to treat disturbances of sleep, appetite, memory or mood, or neurologic or psychiatric disorders such as depression, muscle spasticity and Alzheimer's disease.

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TEMPE, AZ (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - FCS Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ:FCSIC) Today announced a net loss of $378,504 or 8 cents per share for the nine months ended June 30, 1990.

In the comparable year earlier period, FCS incurred a loss of $384,524 or 9 cents per share. For the three month period, the company lost $146,815 or 3 cents per share compared to $70,232 or 2 cents per share in the prior year.

Sales for the three months declined 6 percent compared to a 17 percent decrease in the year earlier period, and compared to a 10 percent decline and 3 percent decline in the first and second quarters, respectively, of the fiscal year.

''The decrease in sales for the quarter comprised a 13 percent decline in sales of human products, offset in part by a 31 percent increase in sales of animal health products,'' stated Nicholas A. Gallo, chairman and president of FCS.

He added that, ''The impact of our continued overseas involvements, specifically in France, caused much of the overall loss.'' Gallo reiterated that at this stage FCS's overseas costs consist predominantly of involuntary expenses such as interest, depreciation/amortization and legal and audit expense. Additonally, foreign currency translation adjustments also had to be made as a result of the further weakening dollar.

''Our core domestic operations in Arizona had income before tax of $66,023 or 6 percent of sales. Also, despite the overall loss, net cash was again provided by operating activities. This was consumed by further paydowns on bank loans and other long term obligations,'' added Gallo. ''Our turnaround program is still the same and progress is being made despite the impression given by the results,'' he noted.

The company's equity account is below the $375,000 required for inclusion on the NASDAQ system. The company's recent request for a temporary exception provided in the NASD By-laws was granted until Sept. 15, 1990.

FCS Laboratories Inc. is a healthcare company engaged in serving the general practice physician and veterinarian with diagnostic and therapeutic products for various diseases, including allergy.

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ROSELAND, NJ (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Automatic Data Processing, Inc. has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 17 1/2 cents per share payable October 1, 1990 to shareholders

of record September 17, 1990.

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ACTON, MA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Co-operative Bank of Concord (NASDAQ:COBK) announced consolidated net earnings of $206,000, or 6 cents per share, for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990, compared with earnings of $854,000, or 25 cents per share, for the same period last year.

''We continue to be negatively impacted by the slowdown in the region's economy and the troubled real estate market,'' stated David E. Bradbury, chairman. ''The reduction in interest income from non-performing assets was approximately $718,000 for the quarter. There are also significant other operating costs associated with the maintenance and management of non-performing assets. Together these items had a material impact on earnings.

''Our efforts to aggresively manage non-performing assets continue to produce favorable results; however, the most important component of the process, the pace of home sales, is beyond our control. We have continued our program of acquiring properties through actual foreclosures or voluntary conveyance then completing construction where necessary and initiating active marketing programs for the properties.

''In certain cases we are starting construction of single family homes in order to move the land inventory.''

During the quarter non-performing assets increased from $26,658,000 to $27,264,000, representing 4.96 percent of total loans receivable and other real estate owned and 4.15 percent of total assets. These amounts do not include certain assets of the former Randolph Co-operative Bank on which the Co-operative Central Bank Share Insurance Fund provides yield maintenance and protection against losses for the next two years.

Provisions for loan losses of $392,000 and market value declines of $153,000 were made during the quarter. The general reserve for loan losses totalled $4,490,000 at July 31, 1990.

The annual meeting of stockholders will be held Friday, Sept. 21, 1990 at 11 a.m. at The First National Bank of Boston, 100 Federal St., Boston, Mass.

The Co-operative Bank of Concord , with assets in excess of $650 million, is a state chartered, FDIC insured co-operative bank with headquarters in

Acton, Mass. and 14 retail banking offices in Middlesex, Norfolk, and Plymouth counties.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Based on unaudited results, Harris Teeter Inc. announced Wednesday that sales for the July period (July 4 - Aug. 7) were $111.8 million, up 10 percent over 1989 sales of $101.6 million.

Same store sales for the period were ahead 5.8 percent. At the end of the period, 130 stores were in operation compared to 127 at the end of the like period in 1989.

Harris Teeter operates a group of 130 retail grocery stores in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee. Harris Teeter is a subsidiary of Charlotte-based Ruddick Corp., a diverse group of North Carolina companies, including American & Efird Inc., Jordan Graphics Inc., and Ruddick Investment Co.

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CONCORD, MA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad, Inc. today announced a significant step toward increasing its trade in Eastern Europe with a go-ahead for selling previously barred Automatic Test Equipment (ATE) systems.

The approval of licenses from the Coordinating Committee for Multilateral Export Control (COCOM) allows GenRad to sell semiconductor test equipment in Eastern Europe. The Cocom approval of GenRad test systems designated for use in the Soviet Union, Rumania,and Bulgaria is the first approval granted for such Automatic Test Equipment systems since 1980, when technology export controls were tightened.

The approximate value of the test systems licenses approved exceeds $2 million.

The systems, classified as ''1355A technology sensitive semiconductor test equipment'', earlier this spring were reviewed and approved by the United States Departments of Commerce, State and Defense, before obtaining

clearance from NATO's COCOM unit in Paris. Commenting on the license approval, Robert E.Anderson, GenRad's President and Chief Executive Officer said, ''The approval of these licenses is significant for GenRad and the electronics industry. For GenRad, it represents a green light to go after a potentially important market for ATE systems that has been virtually closed to American technology companies for the past decade. It is a logical recognition that in order for American technology companies to be competitive in world markets, they must be free to compete equally with non-strategic products.

''GenRad sees good major market opportunities for our entire design and test product line in Eastern Europe, particularly in such countries as East Germany, Yugoslavia, Hungary, Poland, and the Soviet Union, where we first sold test and measurement products in the Thirties, when our largest export market was the U.S.S.R.'', Mr. Anderson observed. We see the potential for significant incremental sales growth from the region, this year and next, especially as we put in place a new sales and marketing distribution network for Eastern Europe.''

COCOM is comprised of representatives of the NATO countries and Japan and Australia. For the past forty years it has been the clearinghouse that determines the strategic nature of products and technology to be marketed in Eastern Europe and other nations aligned with the Soviet Union. As countries such as East Germany, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Rumania, and Bulgaria transition to political freedom, commercial trade barriers will come down in relation to non-strategic goods. The United States State Department has based its reformulated COCOM policy on four goals: support for political reform in Eastern Europe; strengthened protection for truly strategic technologies; rapid modernization of current control lists; and decontrol of off-the- shelf technology products.

GenRad, Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems and automatic test equipment, to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing, and process quality management. The Company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its trading symbol is GEN.

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FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Dallas Oil & Minerals Inc. (the ''company'') today announced its June 30, 1990 results.

Revenues for the six months decreased 5 percent to $779,000 as lower oil and gas prices more than offset higher production volumes. Net income for

the 1990 period amounted to $151 vs. $171,677 for the prior year. The drop in net income was due to lower revenues, a loss on sale of the company's non-oil and gas assets and higher general and administrative expenses and depletion and depreciation expense. The proceeds from sale of the non-oil and gas assets and operating cash flow increased working capital 20 percent $1.4 million. Total assets and stockholders' equity remained unchanged at $4 million and $3.9 million, respectively.

In May 1990, a change of control occurred in regards to the company. Lomak Petroleum Inc. (''Lomak''), a public independent oil company based in Fort Worth, acquired 39 percent of the company's common stock. The company, including its board of directors, is now staffed with Lomak personnel.

The company is engaged in the exploration, production, development and acquisition of oil and gas properties located primarily in southwestern United States. The company's common stock is listed on NASDAQ under the symbol ''DOIL.''

DALLAS OIL & MINERALS INC.
Summary Financial Information
(Unaudited)
Statement of Operations

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1989	1990	1989	1990
Revenues	$ 413,620	$ 394,273	$ 819,906	$ 778,790
Operating expenses	(186,885)	(188,775)	(345,972)	(349,609)
Operating income	226,735	205,498	473,934	429,181
General and administrative	(61,640)	(95,884)	(125,990)	(176,091)
Gain (loss) on sale of assets	606	(85,394)	6,787	(85,394)
Income before depletion and depreciation	165,701	24,220	354,731	167,696
Depletion and depreciation	(73,709)	(95,018)	(183,054)	(167,545)
Net income (loss)	$ 91,992	$(70,798)	$171,677	$ 151

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WEST CHESTER, PA (AUG. 15) BUISNESS WIRE - Commodore Business Machines Inc. has launched a limited-time offer to provide purchasers of a new Commodore Amiga 2000HD (R) or Amiga 2500/30 (R) with a free 1084S color monitor (List Price: $399).

The special offer applies only to purchases made at participating dealers between Aug. 1 and Sept. 29. This offer is not available in conjunction with any other Commodore promotion.

The program is part of a larger effort by Commodore to position the Amiga in the small business market. According to Commodore Director of Business Markets, David Archambault, the Amiga's built-in graphics, multitasking capability and video compatibility and the availability of a variety of business productivity software titles provide small business users an ideal system solution.

In addition, the availability of a variety of business productivity software titles provide these business users an ideal system solution for their accounting, database, word processing or desktop publishing needs.

''As interest in the Amiga product line grows, we will continue to offer incentives to influence purchasing decisions,'' said Archambault. ''While the Amiga 3000, our newest and most powerful model, is ideal for advanced applications, the popular and cost effective 2000 series models are well suited for the small business/work-at-home audience as well as the first time buyer.'' Archambault said these models support a variety of peripherals and third-party products for custom applications.

Commodore Business Machines Inc., based in West Chester, manufactures and markets a complete line of computers and peripherals for the business, education, government and consumer markets.

The multitasking Amiga (R) line includes the Commodore Amiga 500 (R), the Commodore Amiga 2000 (R), two enhanced products -- the Commodore Amiga 2000HD (R) and the Commodore Amiga 2500/30 (R), and the Commodore Amiga 3000 (R).

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PORTLAND, MAINE (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - North East Insurance Company (NASDAQ Symbol:NEIC) Wednesday reported results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Of the results, Robert G. Schatz, North East president, commented, ''Considering our decision to stop writing all new and renewal policies in the New York City area, we are pleased that we maintained profitability during both periods of 1990. We have launched efforts to compensate the premium reductions through new products introduced in Maine. The first product, Standard and Preferred Private Passenger Auto insurance, was

introduced in the latest second quarter and will be available to most of our agents in Maine by September 1990. We also expect to introduce two new additional lines insurance, also in Maine, before the end of the year.

''Our investment portfolio continued to contribute increased income during the latest six months. We believe our approach to gradually introduce new main street products to the marketplace will produce positive results and establish a foundation for further growth,'' Schatz concluded.

North East Insurance Company
Condensed Financial Information
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30, 1990	1989
Net Premiums earned	$1,295,393	$5,123,429
Net investment income	667,662	562,533
Realized capital gains (losses)	(90,124)	(87,498)
Total revenue	1,872,931	5,598,464
Income before extraordinary item	90,479	164,106
Extraordinary item: Reduction of income taxes arising from the carryforward of prior years operating losses	29,249	79,500
Net income	$119,728	$243,606
Primary earnings per common share:		
Income before extraordinary item	$0.03	$0.05
Extraordinary item	0.02	0.03
Net income	$0.05	$0.08

	Six Months Ended June 30, 1990	1989
Net Premiums earned	$4,300,338	$9,736,602
Net investment income	1,328,143	1,115,915
Realized capital gains (losses)	(76,252)	(340,450)
Total revenue	5,552,229	10,512,067
Income before extraordinary item	332,425	419,366
Extraordinary item: Reduction of income taxes arising from the carryforward of prior years operating losses	161,249	203,300
Net income	$493,674	$622,666
Primary earnings per common share:		
Income before extraordinary item	$0.11	$0.14
Extraordinary item	0.06	0.07
Net income	$0.17	$0.21

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#90227b0801 08/15/1990 ~Business Wire
WORCESTER, Mass. (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Wyman-Gordon Co. declared a regular quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share payable Sept. 10, 1990 to stockholders of record as of the close of business Aug. 31, 1990.

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#90227b0807 08/15/1990 ~Business Wire
KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Kemper Service Co., a Kansas City based division of Kemper Financial Services Inc., will hold a graduation ceremony on August 21st for its Business Skills Workshop, a five-week pilot training program currently offered to high school students graduates and GED holders from Kansas City's Hispanic community.

Kemper will present Certificates of Graduation to 11 students who have completed a series of 10, two-hour sessions which were held at Kemper Service Co. on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5 -7 p.m. The pilot program was organized in conjunction with local Hispanic agencies such as: Kansas City Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Guadalupe Center, LuLac and Kansas-based El Centro.

At the program's inception in June, each student was paired with a Kemper employee who volunteered to act as a mentor, providing one-on-one guidance counseling throughout the workshop. Kemper training instructors taught the course which included a typing tutorial, computer training, a teamwork seminar, professional image building and interviewing skills.

''As this is a pilot program,'' says William Fronk, executive vice president of Kemper Service Company, ''we will work with the Hispanic agencies to assess its success. We look forward to continuing the workshop and encourage the participation of other companies and professionals, both locally and nationally, in implementing similar skill-based programs.''

One Kansas City businessman, Art Arreguin, a placement consultant, has volunteered his efforts in arranging job placement interviews for the students. ''When companies begin to hear about our program,'' says Arreguin, ''they will actively participate. With many well planned projects, one good idea breeds another good idea.''

Kemper Financial Services Inc. is a major investment management and financial products company and part of the Kemper Group. KFS currently has over $60 billion in assets under management.

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BROOKLYN, NY (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Creative Technologies Corp. (NASDAQ:CRTV) Wednesday reported results for the three and six month periods ended June 30.

The company, which develops and markets products for the small appliance industry, reported sales of $969,000 for the six month period ended June 30, 1990 as compared to sales of $1,137,000 for the same period last year. The decline in sales is attributable to management's decision not to actively market Frozen Express, an instant ice cream machine. However, sales of Pasta Express, the company's pasta machine, continue to be strong.

While sales were below the level of the prior year, gross profit margins improved and operating expenses dropped dramatically. A net loss of $307,000, or 7 cents per share was reported for the first six months on 1990. This is a substantial improvement over the loss of $1,189,000 or 29 cents per share reported in the first six months of 1989.

Speaking at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders held in New York, Richard Helfman, president of Creative, said, '' The company's goal remains to operate profitably by year-end.'' The improvement in the gross profit margin on the Pasta Express is the result of manufacturing efficiencies. The gross profit margin increased to 33 percent for the first quarter and 41 percent for the first six months of 1990. This compares with a gross profit margin of 23 percent and 30 percent for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 1989.

During the second quarter and six months of 1990, Selling, General and Administrative (SGA) expenses decreased 68 percent or $537,000 and 64 percent or $941,000 respectively as compared to the three and six months last year.

At June 30, 1990 the company had a working capital deficit of $153,000 or a decrease of $677,000 from the working capital deficiency of $830,000 at Dec. 31, 1989. Working capital during the six month period in 1990 was used primarily to finance the selling, general and administrative expenses of the pasta machines and develop the Eggspress egg cooker.

''We are in a highly seasonal business with the second half being very important to our overall performance for the year,'' Helfman continued. ''Much depends on the retail environment for the remainder of the year.''

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Wednesday announced that Lotus Notes, its group communications software product, is now compatible with the Windows 3.0 personal computer operating environment.

The Lotus Notes 1.1 upgrade also includes support for additional network operating systems and modem types. This upgrade is free to all users currently under maintenance.

Running under Windows 3.0, Lotus Notes 1.1 takes advantage of Windows 3.0's enhanced memory management system, and enables Lotus Notes to run concurrently with other software applications.

''Lotus Notes ties together users throughout an organization, allowing them to share information over the network,'' said Larry Moore, vice president of Lotus' communications products division. ''This requires support for all the operating environments running on today's desktops, including the new Windows 3.0. With Version 1.1, Lotus Notes now supports the most popular PC graphical user interfaces, including Windows 3.0 and Presentation Manager.''

The three additional network operating systems certified and supported by Lotus Notes 1.1 include OS/2 1.2 Extended Edition, Novell Netware Requester for OS/2 1.2 and Novell Netware/386. Lotus Notes 1.1 also includes support for the V32 Multitech modem and the US Robotics HST Dual Standard (V32) modem.

Lotus Notes now supports the following network operating systems and modems: Certified Networks Certified Modems OS/2 1.2 Extended Edition all Hayes 100% compatible up

to 2400 baud
Novell Netware Requester for OS/2 1.2 Hayes Smartmodem 9600-(a)
Novell Netware/386 Hayes V-Series 9600-(a)

IBM PCNET versions 1.2 and 1.3 Hayes V-Series Ultra-(a)
IBM LAN Server version 1.0 Multitech MultiModem-(a)
3Com 3+ Share version 1.3.1 US Robotics HST Dual
Standard-(a)
3Com 3Plus Open version 1.0 and 1.1 US Robotics Courier V.32-(a)
Novell version 2.15 -(a) all speeds up to 19.2k
supported
Novell OS/2 Requester version 1.1

Available since December 1989, Lotus Notes is a group communications software product that allows people to create and access shared information using personal computers, and local- and wide-area networks. Voted ''Best New Business Software Product'' by the Software Publisher's Association in February, 1990, Lotus Notes is typically used for electronic mail, information distribution, sales management, customer service and product development. It is currently being sold via a direct sales force throughout North America and Western Europe, and is available at a minimum of 200 licenses for $62,500. Five days of support services are included in this price.

Lotus Notes is based on the client/server computing model, which connects PCs to shared database servers via networks. The Lotus Notes ''client'' features an intuitive, graphical user interface that runs under OS/2 and the Presentation Manager, and DOS with Windows. The Lotus Notes ''server'' runs under OS/2 with Novell, 3Com or IBM network operating systems.

Lotus Notes 1.1 will be shipped free of charge to all current users under maintenance. To inquire about this new update or Lotus Notes, customers may call 800/327-6148.

Lotus Development Corp. is the leading provider of applications software for personal computers and information services delivered on CD-ROM, and is a worldwide supplier of applications software for workstations, minicomputers and mainframes.

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#90227b0815 08/15/1990 ~Business Wire
BILLERICA, MA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Unitrode Corp. (NYSE:UTR), a manufacturer of electronic components and subsystems, Wednesday announced that net sales for the second quarter ended July 28, 1990, were $32.6 million, an increase from $30.9 million in the first quarter.

Net income for the quarter was $152,501, or $.01 per share, compared with

a loss of $3.3 million or $.24 per share in the first quarter.

Sales for the year-ago quarter, ended July 29, 1989, were $40.1 million, which included $5.1 million in sales from a business sold in October, 1989. Net income in last year's second quarter was $172,580, or $.01 per share.

For the six-month period ended July 28, 1990, the company showed a loss of $3.1 million, or $.23 per share, on sales of $63.4 million. These results compare with net income of $457,511, or $.03 per share, on sales of $79.9 million for the same period last year, which included $10.8 million in sales from the business which was sold.

New orders in the second quarter were about $29 million. The backlog at the end of the second quarter stood at $54 million, compared to $57 million at the end of the first quarter.

Commenting on the announcement, Robert L. Gable, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Unitrode, said, ''These results represent substantial progress, but they are by no means satisfactory. We have filled all key management positions in the Company and have initiated several important programs aimed at restoring Unitrode to financial stability. The generally slow economic conditions, plus the cutbacks in military spending, make our task more difficult.''

Gable added, ''This quarter, again, the Integrated Circuits Division posted record sales and orders. Powercube continued to contribute and has successfully adjusted its size to the lower level of incoming business from the military. The Semiconductor Products Division (SPD) operated at a loss, but a sales increase of nearly 20%, plus the effects of cost reductions, resulted in significant operating improvement compared to the prior quarter. We continue to control all costs carefully and to focus on increasing our shipments from SPD.''

Unitrode is a manufacturer of superior quality electronic components and subsystems, including discrete semiconductors, power management integrated circuits, switching power supplies, and data conversion products. Its products are sold throughout the world for a variety of defense/aerospace, industrial, computer/telecommunications, data processing, and consumer applications.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Service

Corporation International (SCI), Wednesday declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.14 per share of common stock.

R. L. Waltrip, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, said that the cash dividend is payable October 31, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on October 16, 1990.

The common stock of SCI, the largest funeral service and cemetery company in North America, is traded on the New York Stock Exchange. The Company's ticker symbol is SRV.

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KENNER, LA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Sizeler Property Investors Inc. (NYSE:SIZ) announced Wednesday results for the three months ended June 30, 1990.

Net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, was $696,000, or 20 cents per share based on 3,454,000 weighted average shares outstanding. For the quarter ended June 30, 1989, the company reported net income of $806,000, or 22 cents per share based on 3,715,600 weighted average shares outstanding.

Funds from operations, defined as income before gains on sales of properties, adjusted for non-cash items (principally real estate depreciation and amortization expense), were $1,219,000 (35 cents per share) compared to $1,301,000 (35 cents per share) for the quarters ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Operating results for the first six months of 1990 included a non-recurring 15 cents per share charge against earnings for unreimbursed costs related to a tender offer which was terminated by the company earlier this year.

The company has previously announced the payment of a dividend of 39 cents per share on Aug. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Aug. 15, 1990.

Sizeler Property Investors Inc. is an equity real estate investment trust engaged in acquiring and holding real estate interests, principally shopping centers, for investment. The company is based in Kenner, a suburb of New Orleans.

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John J. Gilluly Jr., 504/466-5363

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - MOCON (Modern Controls Inc.) (NASDAQ:MOCO) announced Wednesday that on Aug. 14, its board of directors approved a 3 for 2 stock split in the form of a 50 percent stock dividend payable on Sept. 28, to shareholders of record on Sept. 7.

MOCON also announced that its board of directors declared a cash dividend of 4 cents per share, payable on Nov. 16, to shareholders of record on Nov. 2. The total amount of the cash dividend would have been 6 cents per share on the number of shares outstanding before the September 1990 3 for 2 stock split.

The company has provided stockholders with quarterly dividends for the 10th consecutive quarter. Prior to the present policy of quarterly dividends, the company had been paying dividends on a semi-annual basis since 1984.

MOCON is a leading developer, manufacturer and marketer of high technology instrumentation designed to test packages and packaging materials for permeation of gases and water vapor. The company also has a new line of thickness gauging systems used to measure plastics and coatings on and off the production line.

MOCON testing instrumentation is used in quality control and research laboratories in the food and pharmaceutical industries, to test plastic packaging materials for cost effective protection against loss of color, flavor, fragrance, texture, potency and freshness.

The comapny also manufactures weighing and sorting instrumentation that helps the pharmaceutical industry maintain the rigid weight tolerances needed in producing drugs in capsule and tablet form.

MOCON's shares are traded over-the-counter and are listed in the NASDAQ National Market System. The company's electronic NASDAQ trading symbol is MOCO.

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Ron Meyer, 612/560-2900

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ATLANTA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Georgia Power Company announced Wednesday that it will redeem on November 1, 1990 up to 300,000 shares of the $2.75 Class A preferred stock in connection with the annual sinking fund provisions for this issue.

The shares will be redeemed at the sinking fund redemption price of $25 per share plus accrued dividends to the date of redemption.

The $2.75 Class A preferred stock has a cumulative sinking fund provision requiring the redemption of 150,000 shares annually at the stated value of $25 per share, with an option to double to 300,000 shares of this issue.

Also, the company has the option to purchase and cancel the required number of shares annually.

There are currently outstanding 1,350,000 shares of the $2.75 Class A preferred stock.

Trust Company Bank, as transfer agent, registrar and dividend disbursing agent, will be responsible for selecting on a random basis the shares to be redeemed and notifying each registered holder. The date of record for the purpose of selecting shares for redemption will be the close of business on Sept. 14, 1990, and the books will be closed to transfer through the close of business on September 21, 1990.

On or before Sept. 28, 1990, holders of the $2.75 Class A preferred stock selected for redemption will be notified by first class mail.

CONTACT: Georgia Power Co., Atlanta
R. L. Hammonds, 404/526-7450
or F.D. Kuester, 212/269-8842 (in New York).

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WORCESTER, MA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Following its regularly scheduled board of directors meeting Wednesday, Wyman-Gordon Co. announced the termination of negotiations with United Engineering Steels Ltd. (UES) of Rotherham, England over the sale of Wyman-Gordon's Midwest Division.

The parties had entered into a Letter of Intent in June of this year regarding the acquisition by UES of Wyman-Gordon Co.'s crankshaft forging and machining facilities located in Illinois and Michigan. However, according to Donald M. Tucker, vice president - Law and Administration of Wyman-Gordon, ''Since it became clear that final agreement could not be reached, further negotiations were terminated by mutual agreement.''

Wyman-Gordon Co. is a leading manufacturer of high quality, technically

advanced forgings, investment castings and composite structures for the commercial transportation equipment and defense equipment industries.

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203/923-2023 (home).

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DALLAS (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Income Opportunity Realty Trust (ASE: IOT) Wednesday announced operating results for the second quarter ended June 30.

For the three months ended June 30 the trust recorded net loss of $669,000 or 18 cents per share, on revenues of $2.1 million, compared with net loss of $1.8 million, or 49 cents per share, on revenues of $3.7 million in the second quarter of the prior year.

For the six months ended June 30 the trust recorded a net loss of $1.1 million, or 31 cents per share, on revenues of $4.1 million, compared with a net loss of $2.0 million, or 53 cents per share, on revenues of $7.4 million in the first half of 1989.

The reduction in net loss in the first half of 1990, compared with the first half of 1989, was primarily attributable to significant expenses related to a tender offer and higher interest and operating expenses in 1989 than in 1990 because of more properties in the portfolio.

Net rental income for the six months ended June 30 was $868,000, compared with $1.8 million in the corresponding period in 1989. This decline also reflects the five properties the trust disposed of during late 1989.

Income Opportunity Realty Trust is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

INCOME OPPORTUNITY REALTY TRUST FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	Three months ended June 30,		Six months ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$ 2,082	$ 3,725	$ 4,051	$ 7,421
Net Loss	$ (669)	$(1,816)	$(1,150)	$(1,955)
Per Share	$ (0.18)	$ (0.49)	$ (0.31)	$ (0.53)
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	3,723,275	3,699,578	3,734,575	3,695,846

CONTACT: Income Opportunity Realty Trust, Dallas, Jeff Bishop, (214) 692-4700.

-30- 2347

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ROUYN-NORANDA, QUEBEC (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Audrey Resources Inc. (ME TSE:AUY) reports, for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, revenue of $5,738,000, compared to revenue of $4,128,000 for the first quarter of 1990, representing an increase of close to 40 percent.

For the six-month period, revenue amounted to $9,866,000, compared to $77,000 for the corresponding period in 1989. The Mobrun mine was not in production during this period in 1989. Net income for the second quarter was $307,000, or 2 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $1,445,000 9 cents per share for the first quarter.

For the six-month period, net loss was $1,138,000, or 7 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $141,000, or 1 cent per share in 1989. Net income per share for the second quarter was affected by the write off of the costs related to the unrealized acquisition project of an American gold producer, totalling $256,000.

Weak precious metal prices, combined with a strong Canadian currency, have also particularly affected second quarter revenue. However, operating costs improved significantly, from $40.84 per metric tonne for the first quarter, to $35.99 per metric tonne for the second quarter.

In other respects, Audrey should be able to release, during the week of Aug. 20, the results of the exploration drill holes which intersected the important new C lens.

Following the completion of the underground definition drilling program on the 1100 lens, a new reserves evaluation is presently under way and should be available by the end of September 1990.

CONTACT: Audrey Resources
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or
Guy Hebert, president and CEO, 819/764-9411

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COLUMBIA, SC (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The Seibels Bruce Group Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SBIG) Tuesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share, payable on Oct. 1, 1990, to

shareholders of record on Sept. 10, 1990.

Founded in 1869, The Seibels Bruce Group is the prominent, regional property and casualty insurance group headquartered in the southeastern United States.

CONTACT: The Seibels Bruce Group Inc., Columbia
Sterling Beale, 803/748-2000.

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DALLAS (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - National Income Realty Trust (NASDAQ: NIRTS) Wednesday announced operating results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the trust recorded a net income of $2.8 million, or 75 cents per share, on revenues of $7.5 million and a gain on the sale of real estate of $5.9 million, compared with a net loss of $1.3 million, or 36 cents per share, on revenues of $7.4 million in the second quarter of the prior year.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the trust recorded a net income of $2.0 million, or 55 cents per share, on revenues of $14.9 million and a gain on the sale of real estate and an extraordinary gain totaling $6.6 million, compared with a net loss of $2.2 million,or 59 cents per share, on revenues of $14.3 million in the first half of 1989.

During the six months ended June 30, 1990, the trust recognized a gain of $5.9 million on the sale of Hawaii Business Park located in Honolulu, Hawaii. The trust also recorded an extraordinary gain of $.7 million on the early extinguishment of debt.

The trust's equity in results of operations of partnerships for the first half of 1990 totaled losses of $.2 million, compared with income of $.6 million for the same period in 1989. The fluctuations are partially attributable to a gain of $.5 million recorded in 1989 on the disposition of properties.

National Income Realty Trust is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

CONTACT: National Income Realty Trust, Dallas
Jeff Bishop, 214/692-4700

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Wednesday announced a 3 cent increase in the domestic spot selling price of electrolytic copper.

Its new price, which is effective immediately, is $1.40 per pound for cathodes on a delivered basis.

CONTACT: ASARCO Incorporated, New York
Gerard F. Corbett, 201/743-1838 (home)

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NEPTUNE BEACH, FL (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Family Steak Houses of Florida Inc. (NASDAQ:RYFL), Wednesday announced that the board of directors elected James W. Osborn as a director, effective Tuesday, July 31.

Osborn will continue to serve as president and chief executive officer of the company.

Osborn, age 48, has previously served as senior vice president of operations of USACAFES, L.P., the Bonanza Steakhouse franchisor, until its recent sale; as vice president of operations of Cuco's Mexican Restaurants; as senior vice president and chief operating officer for National Pizza Co., the largest franchisee of Pizza Hut; and in various management positions at Ponderosa Inc. and in the food service division of Marriott Corp.

Osborn earned a Bachelor's Degree in Industrial Management from West Virginia University in 1964.

Eddie L. Ervin, Jr., chairman of the board of directors of the company, said, ''Jim's appointment should help position the Company to implement its plans for increased profitability and sustained growth. We believe that Jim, in his brief tenure as President, has already helped to point the Company in a positive direction.''

Osborn said, ''I am very enthusiastic about this show of support from the Board of Directors. I look forward to working with the Board in taking an aggressive approach to moving the Company ahead as a growth-oriented, profitable operation, providing the best service and quality food.''

The company owns and operates 26 Ryan's Family Steak House restaurants in Florida, as the exclusive Florida franchisee of Ryan's Family Steak Houses Inc. of Greer, S.C.

CONTACT: Family Steak Houses of Florida Inc., Neptune Beach

James W. Osborn, 904/249-4197.

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Vari-Care, Inc. (NASDAQ:VCRE) Wednesday announced unaudited financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $11,967,000 reflected a slight improvement from last year's $11,897,000. The Company reported net income of $217,000 or $.04 per share versus $360,000 or $.06 per share in the third quarter of last year.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $36,247,000 compared to $34,729,000 in the same period last year, an increase of 4 pct. Net income for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 was $801,000 or $.15 per share versus last year's $1,131,000 or $.21 per share

Commenting, Robert H. Hurlbut, President of Vari-Care, stated, ''During the quarter, a slight decline in overall patient census and a shift in the patient mix to a greater number of subsidy patients offset a modest increase in revenues generated by certain increases in room rates and ancillary services. A decline in Florida census during the current third quarter was caused by the construction underway at Boulevard Manor. This construction is scheduled for completion in spring 1991. Operating expenses rose in part due to wage and salary increases caused in part by the April 1, 1990 increase in the minimum wage, and its ripple effect.''

Hurlbut concluded, ''We believe the fourth quarter will benefit from improving census in Texas, increased Medicaid reimbursement rates in Alabama and Florida, and recent increases in certain private pay rates.''

Vari-Care, Inc. now has two projects under construction, a new 120-bed facility, ''The Renaissance'' in Naples, Florida which is scheduled to be operational in the spring of 1991 and a 44-bed addition to The Boulevard Manor Nursing Center in Boynton Beach, Florida, which will be coming on line in early 1991.

Founded over 20 years ago, Vari-Care provides a full range of recuperative and healthcare services including skilled nursing, intermediate and personal care, retirement apartments, home health care, adult day care, meals-on-wheels and pharmacy services. The Company operates 24 long-term healthcare facilities in Alabama, Arizona, Florida and Texas with a capacity of 2,585 residents. The Company also has a 68-unit retirement apartment complex in Texas.

Vari-Care Inc.

Financial Highlights

(Unaudited)

For the three months ended June 30,

	1990	1989
Revenues	$11,967,000	$11,897,000
Income before Income Taxes	364,000	603,000
Provision for Income Taxes	147,000	243,000
Net Income	$ 217,000	$ 360,000
Net Income Per Common and Common Equivalent Share	$.04	$.06

(Unaudited)

For the nine months ended June 30,

	1990	1989
Revenues	$36,247,000	$34,729,000
Income before Income Taxes	1,320,000	1,891,000
Provision for Income Taxes	519,000	760,000
Net Income	$ 801,000	$ 1,131,000
Net Income Per Common and Common Equivalent Share	$.15	$.21

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Jeanine Morley, 212/836-9610

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DALLAS (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - American Healthcare Management Inc. (ASE:AHI) Tuesday announced results for the six months and second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $248.1 million, compared with $247.9 million in the same period a year ago. Net income was $941,000, or 6 cents per share, compared with $8.4 million, or 70 cents per share a year ago.

For the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $120.6 million compared with $122.4 million in the same quarter a year ago. Net income was $95,000, or 1 cent per share, compared with $1.4 million, or 11 cents per share a year ago.

Revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1989, include the operations of San Clemente General Hospital which was disposed of on July 3, 1989.

Excluding San Clemente, revenues increased 8 percent from the same period in 1989. This increase was primarily the result of increases in rates and outpatient volumes.

The decline in net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was primarily the result of interest expense on indebtedness issued in connection with the company's reorganization, which became effective Dec. 29, 1989. Additionally, the company recorded higher revenue deductions for the period, which resulted from increased volume and certain changes to the method used to compute these deductions.

During the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, the company also accrued $725,000 of expenses related to the relocation of its executive offices. Exclusive of these relocation costs, pre-tax income for the six months and three months ended June 30, 1990, would have been $1.7 million and $828,000, respectively.

Commenting on the results, Steven L. Volla, president and chief executive officer of AHM, said: ''AHM continues to make progress in developing its strategies to increase revenues. To this end, the company is focusing on ways to utilize new, emerging technology to improve further the delivery of health services at AHM hospitals.

American Healthcare Management Inc., headquartered in Dallas, owns or leases seventeen hospitals in ten states with approximately 2,203 licensed beds.

CONTACT: American Healthcare Management, Dallas
Bruce J. Colburn, 214/385-7000.

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PEABODY, MA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Warren Bancorp Inc., (NASDAQ: WRNB) today announced the resignation of Stephen F. O'Sullivan, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of the corporation and the corporation's subsidiary, Warren Five Cents Savings Bank, effective Aug. 15.

O'Sullivan resigned to pursue other business interests.

Pending election of O'Sullivan's successor, Paul M. Peduto, treasurer of the corporation and executive vice president and chief financial officer of the bank, has been named acting president and chief executive officer of the corporation and the bank. In addition, Bancorp Director Stephen J. Connolly IV will serve as acting chairman of the corporation, and the chairman of the bank's loan committee, Stephen G. Kasnet, will serve as acting chairman of the bank.

A search committee of the board has been formed to select O'Sullivan's successor to both the bancorp and bank positions. In connection with O'Sullivan's resignation, the corporation and the bank have entered into a severance agreement with him.

''Stephen O'Sullivan has served the Bank well since 1980, and we appreciate his many contributions to our organization. We wish him well in his future endeavors,'' said Kasnet.

Kasnet added, ''The Board of Directors and I look forward to working with Mr. Connolly, Mr. Peduto and the Bank's management team to position the corporation and the Bank for future profitability and success.''

O'Sullivan commented, ''The past ten years have been exciting and challenging ones for me. I am proud of what we have accomplished in building Warren Bancorp, Inc. and Warren Five Cents Savings Bank, to provide service to our customers, communities and staff. I am now looking forward to meeting new challenges ahead.''

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Karen A. Kezerian, 508/531-7400.

-30- 2075

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - IG Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ:IGLI) Wednesday announced that David Cicciarella has been appointed as vice president of sales.

In this position Cicciarella will bring an increased focus to IG's direct sales effort in both the Northeast and into new geographic areas.

Commenting on Cicciarella's appointment, Peter Lanciano, IG Laboratories' president stated, ''Dave Cicciarella joined Integrated Genetics, Inc., in 1986 as Manager of Sales and Marketing and has been instrumental in building our revenue base and in developing IG's image and identity within the genetics community. His prior experience in sales and marketing gained at both Dianon Systems and before that at SmithKline Bioscience Laboratories will add significantly to the breadth of the Company's management team.''

IG Laboratories, headquartered in Framingham, Mass., provides genetic testing services to hospitals, clinical laboratories, genetic centers, physicians, and health maintenance organizations located throughout the United States. The company is focused on prenatal genetic testing which enables physicians to screen for and detect major genetic abnormalities.

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Peter Lanciano, 508/872-8400
or
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Jennifer Pierce, 617/451-1923

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TAMPA, FLA (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The annual meeting of shareholders of Larry's Ice Cream Inc. (the ''Company'') was held Wednesday at the Eastlake Woodlands Country Club in Palm Harbor, Fla.

The shareholders present elected Roger Kumar, Dan Moscone, Clifford Myers, Roger Kumar, Jr. and John McNutt to serve as directors of the company until the next annual meeting.

The shareholders also ratified the appointment of Harper, Van Scoik & Co. as the independent certified public accountants of the company for 1990.

During his remarks to shareholders, Kumar announced that the company has been granted the exclusive license to manufacture and distribute the frozen yogurt blender developed by Innovative Food Equipment Inc. of Illinois.

Kumar further stated that 200 of these machines were in production and would be test marketed over the next 60 days.

The frozen yogurt blender is currently in use in approximately 48 Larry's Ice Cream and Yogurt parlors. The text marketing will be performed outside of the Larry's chain. It is the company's plan to sell or lease the blending machine through it's wholly owned subsidiary Kirian & Smith Inc.

The target market will be large retail chains which would also be required to purchase the frozen yogurt product from the company.

Kumar advised those shareholders present to be patient and allow him to bring the company back to profitability.

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Michael Kestler
or Roger Kumar, Jr., 813/855-0481

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WESTBURY, NY (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - E-Z-EM Inc. reported net sales for

fiscal year ended June 2 of $79,371,000, a 2% increase over fiscal 1989 sales of $77,694,000.

E-Z-EM reported a net loss for fiscal 1990 of $3,475,000 (43 net loss per common share) as compared to the net earnings in fiscal 1989 of $7,963,000 or $1.00 per share.

For the quarter ended June 2, sales were $21,299,000, a decrease of 7% from fiscal quarter 1989 of $22,796,000. Net loss for the quarter was $7,573,000 (94 cents net loss per common share) as compared to the net earnings in fiscal fourth quarter of 1989 of $2,396,000 or 30 cents per share.

The fourth quarter and the year include a provision, established by the board of directors, of $8 million after taxes or 99 cents per share relating to the anticipated loss of value associated with Lafayette Pharmacal Inc. This provision represents an estimate of the loss associated with the agreement signed June 12, with the Federal Trade Commission requiring divestiture of the Lafayette business.

Howard S. Stern, chairman of the board stated, it is not presently possible to predict with certainty the ultimate realization of sale proceeds, however the provision represents the best estimate at this time with regard to the future sale. The reserve is intended to cover the diminution in value of the goodwill associated with the acquisition. Net sales of Lafayette products were $6,630,000 for fiscal 1990.

The company's reserve for the sale of Lafayette of $8 million coupled with $1,600,000 of reduced contribution from Surgical Dynamics Inc. (a 51% owned subsidiary) accounted for the major portion of the reported net loss. Additionally, non-recurring costs related to obtaining reimbursement for the Nucleotome procedure and the relocation expense incurred in connection with the move of the company's principal manufacturing plant in Westbury also affected results for the quarter and year.

Sales of the Nucleotome back surgery device manufactured and sold by Surgical Dynamics Inc., declined in the year and the quarter. The sales decline resulted from a decision by the National Blue Cross/Blue Shield Association recommending denial of reimbursement for the Nucleotome procedure. This decision was reversed in February of 1990. The reversal came too late in fiscal 1990 to avoid the adverse impact on Surgical Dynamics sales and earnings for fiscal 1990. Surgical Dynamics contributed about $1.8 million to E-Z-EM's net earnings in fiscal 1989, as compared to $0.2 million in fiscal 1990.

In fiscal 1990, research and development expenses continued at an increasing rate, reaching approximately $5 million as compared to about

$3,300,000 in the previous fiscal year, or an increase of 54%. Interventional radiology products show promising results. Clinical tests have been started on two significant research and development projects, the use of carbon dioxide as a contrast agent for peripheral vascular use and the use of an accelerated fibrinolysis device for the quick dissolution of peripheral blood clots. Research on the patented antigen of H. pylori used in the diagnosis of gastritis, peptic and duodenal ulcers, resulted in the signing of an agreement with Baylor College of Medicine for the exclusive worldwide rights to this product. E-Z-EM's research and development efforts also resulted in several other products which have come on to the market, none of which are significant by themselves but all of which add up to a healthier sales picture for E-Z-EM Inc.

E-Z-EM is a leading manufacturer and distributor of diagnostic imaging and other healthcare products.

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Daniel R. Martin or Dennis J. Curtin, 516/333-8230

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The directors of Ameritrust Corp. (NASDAQ:AMTR) today declared a regular dividend of 32 cents per common share, payable Sept. 7, 1990, to common stockholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 27, 1990.

The board also declared a dividend of $1.297 per share on the preferred stock, payable Sept. 1, 1990, to preferred stockholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 27, 1990.

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Lucy Doggett, 216/737-2873
Terry Taylor, 216/737-5414.

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NEPTUNE BEACH, FLA. (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Family Steak Houses of Florida Inc. (NASDAQ:RYFL), Wednesday reported earnings and revenues for the second quarter of 1990.

Second quarter sales rose 7.5 percent to $12,316,100 from $11,459,500 for the like period in 1989. Earnings from operations, which exclude the effects of interests, land sales and the Rustic Inn joint venture, were $1,006,100 for the second quarter, compared to $972,700 for the second period of 1989, an increase of 3.4 percent.

Net earnings for the quarter were $176,000, compared to $220,400 in 1989, a decrease of 20.1 percent. Earnings per share for the quarter were 2 cents on 10,734,000 shares, compared to 2 cents on 10,811,000 shares for the like period in 1989.

For the six months ended July 4, 1990, sales climbed 9.1 percent, to $25,240,400 from $23,142,300 for the comparable period in 1989. Earnings from operations for the six month period were $2,261,800, compared to $2,287,600 for the first six months of 1989, a decrease of 1.1 percent.

Net earnings for the six months were $571,100 as compared to $716,800 for the like period a year earlier, a 20.3 percent decrease. Earnings per share decreased 28.6 percent to 5 cents on 10,786,000 shares, from 7 cents on 10.8 million shares for the comparable period in 1989.

James W. Osborn, president of the company, said, ''The negative effects of the losses in the Rustic Inn joint venture, along with industry sales softness contributed to the reduced earnings. If the effect of the Rustic Inn is eliminated from our results, our company would show a slight increase in profits for the second quarter.''

The company's share of the losses of the Rustic Inn joint venture was a loss of $75,000 for the second quarter of 1990, compared to net income of $1,800 for the like quarter of 1989. The Rustic Inn joint venture owns two seafood restaurants in Orlando and Margate, Fla. The company is a 50 percent partner in the joint venture.

Osborn added, ''Additionally, costs for the quarter were increased by the effect of strengthening management, implementing control systems, and instituting new marketing efforts. While impacting profits in the short term, these measures will have long-run, positive results for the company.

''These are actions similar to those taken by Ryan's Family Steak Houses Inc. approximately one year ago to reverse its negative unit sales trends.''

The company now owns 26 Ryan's Family Steak House restaurants in Florida. The company owns and operates Ryan's Family Steak House restaurants under a franchise agreement with Ryan's Family Steak Houses Inc. of Greer, S.C.

The agreement grants the company the right to construct and operate Ryan's Family Steak House restaurants as the exclusive franchisee throughout the state of Florida.

FAMILY STEAK HOUSES OF FLORIDA INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS

	Quarter Ended	Six Months Ended

	July 4, 1990	June 28, 1989	July 4, 1990	June 28, 1989
Sales	$12,316,100	$11,459,500	$25,240,400	$23,142,300
Costs and Expenses: Food and beverages	5,255,700	5,173,900	10,834,400	10,167,500
Payroll and benefits	2,884,900	2,635,600	5,893,200	5,321,600
Depreciation and amortization	568,500	483,200	1,128,800	947,200
Other operating expenses	1,467,900	1,256,400	2,907,700	2,486,100
General and administrative expenses	534,400	400,000	987,200	847,200
Franchise Fees	598,600	537,700	1,227,300	1,085,100
	11,310,000	10,486,800	22,978,600	20,854,700
Earnings from operations	1,006,100	972,700	2,261,800	2,287,600
Other income (expense): Interest and other income	16,000	15,100	33,000	26,900
Gain on sale of land	200	---	200	---
Interest expense	(666,400)	(636,200)	(1,313,000)	(1,263,600)
Equity income (loss) from joint venture	(75,000)	1,800	(70,600)	80,900
Earnings before income taxes	280,900	353,400	911,400	1,131,800
Income Taxes	104,900	133,000	340,300	415,000
Net earnings	$ 176,000	$ 220,400	$ 571,100	$ 716,800
Per common and common equivalent share:	2 cents	2 cents	5 cents	7 cents
Net Earnings	2 cents	2 cents	5 cents	7 cents
Weighted average shares and share equivalents	10,734,000	10,811,000	10,786,000	10,800,000

CONTACT: Family Steak Houses of Florida Inc., Neptune Beach
Edward B. Alexander, 904/249-4197

-30- 5889

#90227b0892 08/15/1990 ~Business Wire

CHICAGO (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Management of America Inc. (AMEX:MMA) announced Wednesday that it had initiated steps to move the listing of its common stock, par value $0.01 per share, from the American Stock Exchange (''AMEX'') to the National Association of Securities Dealers Inc. Automated Quotation System (''NASDAQ'') National Market System (''NMS'').

MMA is taking this action because it believes that the NASDAQ/NMS listing has several advantages over the AMEX listing. MMA believes that the NASDAQ/NMS System of competing marketmakers will result in greater visibility and sponsorship for the common stock than is presently the case with the single specialist assigned to the common stock by the AMEX.

MMA believes that the NASDAQ/NMS System will offer MMA stockholders more liquidity than is offered at present on the AMEX and less volatility in quoted prices per share when trading volume is slight. On NASDAQ/NMS, MMA will have the opportunity to secure its own group of marketmakers and, in doing so, expand the capital base available for trading in its common stock.

Finally, firms making a market in in the common stock will also be inclined to issue research reports concerning MMA, thereby increasing the number of firms providing institutional research and advisory reports.

MMA anticipates that its common stock will be suspended from trading on the AMEX at the close of business on Friday, August 17, 1990 and that the common stock will be listed for trading (Symbol:MMOA) on NASDAQ/NMS at the commencement of business on Monday, August 20, 1990.

CONTACT: Medical Management of America Inc., Chicago
Anita G. Jilek, 312/889-9900.

-30- 1872

#90227b0893 08/15/1990 ~Business Wire

BALTIMORE (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Choices Entertainment Corp. (NASDAQ symbol: CECS) Wednesday reported results for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Choices Entertainment Corp. is engaged in the establishment of video and music superstores, which rent and sell video cassettes, audio cassettes, compact discs and other audio/visual media.

CHOICES ENTERTAINMENT CORP.
Financial Highlights
(abridged and unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,394,799	$ 16,043	$1,592,346	$ 34,284
Cost & expenses	2,033,789	175,591	2,976,686	570,243
Net loss	$ (683,940)	$(159,548)	$(1,384,340)	$(535,959)
Net loss per share of common stock	$ (0.08)	$ (0.04)	$ (0.19)	$ (0.15)

CONTACT: Choices Entertainment Corp., Baltimore
Richard C. Smith, 301/644-3100

-30- 1306

#90227b0897 08/15/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Management Technologies Corp. ("IMTECH") 1/8NASDAQ: IMTKA (Class A Common), IMTKU (Units), IMTKW (Class A Warrants)3/8 Wednesday announced that John Hoffman has resigned as President and Chief Operating Officer, but will remain as a Consultant to focus on IMTECH's aggressive new business development effort.

Pierce Lowrey, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer will assume these responsibilities.

IMTECH provides on-site and off-site "outsourcing" of a wide range of back office services to firms in the services sector. These services include an optical data storage system -- Computer Output INformation System (COINS), electronic publishing, fulfillment, printing, reproduction and general mail room operations. IMTECH's information facilities management ("IFM") capabilities provide companies with the ability to contract out ancillary services to reduce operating costs and improve productivity, thereby allowing management to focus on its primary corporate objectives.

CONTACT: IMTECH, New York
Pierce Lowrey, 212/962-1399
or
The Equity Group Inc., New York
Sharon Hunt, 212/836-9605
Stacey Arbeiter, 212/836-9606

-30- 1405

#90227b0908 08/15/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - SCOR U.S. Corp. (NYSE:SUR) reported its earnings Wednesday for the second quarter and six months period ended June 30, 1990.

The mid-year merger of Rockleigh Management Corp. with and into SCOR U.S. has been accounted for in a manner similar to a pooling of interests. Accordingly, all historical financial statements have been restated to reflect the combined results of the two companies.

Excluding expenses incurred in connection with the merger of Rockleigh into SCOR U.S., income from continuing operations increased 41.6 percent to $7,425,000, or 42 cents per share, for the 1990 second quarter, which compares with $5,245,000, or 30 cents per share, for the 1989 second quarter.

Also, excluding merger expenses, income from continuing operations for the 1990 six month period was $11,726,000, or 66 cents per share, an increase of 15.1 percent in income from continuing operations from $10,184,000, or 58 cents per share, for the corresponding 1989 period.

As a result of expenses incurred in connection with the merger of Rockleigh into SCOR U.S., income from continuing operations for both the 1990 second quarter and six month period was reduced by $1,648,000, or 9 cents per share.

Income from continuing operations for the 1990 second quarter includes net realized investment gains, net of tax, of $297,000, or 2 cents per share, compared with $483,000, or 3 cents per share, for the corresponding 1989 quarter.

Income from continuing operations for the 1990 six month period includes net realized investment gains, net of tax, of $630,000, or 4 cents per share, vs. $811,000, or 5 cents per share, for the 1989 six month period.

''Fresh Start'' benefits were less than 1 cent per share for the 1990 second quarter, and 1 cent per share for the 1990 six month period.

Net income for the 1990 second quarter was $5,777,000, or 33 cents per share, vs. $4,615,000, or 26 cents per share, for the 1989 second quarter. Net income for the 1990 six month period was $10,078,000, or 57 cents per share, compared with 1989 six month net income of $9,412,000, or 53 cents per share.

The 1989 figures reflect a second quarter loss, net of tax, of $630,000, or 4 cents per share, and a six month loss, net of tax, of $772,000, or 4 cents per share, which resulted from operations of a Rockleigh subsidiary that was being held for sale during 1989, and was sold during the first quarter 1990.

SCOR S.A., the ultimate majority shareholder of SCOR U.S., provides aggregate stop-loss reinsurance protection to The Unity Group companies--i.e., Unity Fire and General Insurance Co., and General Security Assurance Corporation of New York--which became subsidiaries as a result of Rockleigh's merger into SCOR U.S. in June 1990.

The stop-loss reinsurance protects The Unity Group from adverse loss development on its 1989 year end loss reserves. Net income from continuing operations for both the 1990 second quarter and the six month period includes estimated recoveries under the aggregate stop-loss protection, net of tax, of $2,016,000, or 11 cents per share.

The 1990 second quarter and six month statutory combined ratios of SCOR U.S.' reinsurance subsidiaries -- i.e., Scor Reinsurance Co. and The Unity Group-- were 99.4 percent and 103.4 percent, respectively, as compared with 99.5 percent and 100.5 percent, respectively, for the 1989 second quarter and six month period.

The stop--loss protection provided by SCOR S.A. to The Unity Group affected favorably the 1990 second quarter and six month combined ratios of SCOR U.S.' reinsurance subsidiaries by 7.7 percent and 3.7 percent, respectively.

Net premiums written were $44,033,000 for the 1990 second quarter, and $86,916,000 for the 1990 six month period, a decrease of 5.7 percent and 4 percent, respectively, from $46,707,000 for the 1989 second quarter and $90,510,000 for the 1989 six month period.

CONTACT: Scor U.S. Corp., New York
Howard B. Fischer, 212/513-1777 or 212/321-9200

-30- 4251

#90227b0914 08/15/1990 ~Business Wire

LITTLE ROCK, AK (AUG. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Dillard Department Stores Inc. (NYSE:DDS) announced Wednesday an offering of 4 million shares of its Class A common stock at $84 per share.

Of the 4 million shares offered, 1 million are being sold by the company, the proceeds of which will be used for general corporate purposes, primarily to reduce outstanding commercial paper.

The remaining 3 million shares are being sold by a subsidiary of Vendex International N.V. that will retain over 8 million shares, or approximately 25 percent, of the outstanding shares of Dillard Class A common stock.

Dillard has 144,500,000 shares authorized Class A common stock, with 35,510,554 outstanding including this offering.

Of the 4 million shares being offered, 3.2 million shares are being offered in the United States and Canada by the U.S. underwriters and 800,000 shares are being offered outside the United States and Canada by the International underwriters. The company and the selling shareholder have granted the U.S. underwriters an over-allotment option of 400,000 shares.

Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc. is the lead manager of the offering in the United States and Canada and Morgan Stanley International is the lead manager internationally. Dillard Class A common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ''DDS.''

William Dillard, chairman and chief executive officer stated: ''We are extremely pleased with the very favorable response we received from investors. The offering not only provides us with additional capital to build our business, but equally important, the increase in shares outstanding and the public float should provide greater liquidity to our stock.''

Dillard Department Stores Inc. is a regional group of traditional department stores operating 186 stores in 18 states.

CONTACT: Dillard Department Stores Inc., Little Rock
James Freeman, 501/376-5980

-30- 2122
#90227c0001 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Inter-Bancorp (TICKER: FIBI) reporting second quarter earnings of $663,000, or $0.29 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $768,000, or $0.33 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90227c0002 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bird Medical Technologies Inc.(TICKER: BMTI) earned $242,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $8.88 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net profit of $114,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $7.45 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90227c0003 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows IDB Communications Group Inc.(TICKER: IDBX) lost $640,000 or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $21.79 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $480,000 or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $14.70 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

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#90227c0004 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Engineering Measurements Co.(TICKER: EMCO) lost $729,814, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $10.24 million for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $6,574, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $9.84 in fiscal 1989.

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#90227c0006 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Vision Technologies (TICKER: IOLS) reporting a first quarter loss of $227,962, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $223,447.

This compares with a net loss of $135,590, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $417,289 for the same reporting period in 1989.

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#90227c0007 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Primages Inc. (TICKER: PRIM) reporting net earnings of $211,866, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $2.05 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $70,416, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.10 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90227c0008 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Taurus Petroleum Inc.(TICKER: TAUR) lost $71,832, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $69,897 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $75,654, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $116,702 for the same period in 1989.

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#90227c0009 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:35 that trade in American Medical Building has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol A.

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#90227c0010 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in Twin Star Productions (NASDAQ: TWIN) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 9 1/2. The company is located in Scottsdale, AZ.

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#90227c0011 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Microscience International Corp.(TICKER: MSIC) earned $527,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $22.87 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $659,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $23.62 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90227c0012 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Century Park Pictures Corp.(TICKER: CPPC) earned $240,739, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.13 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $127,719, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $571,292 for the same period in 1989.

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#90227c0014 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Celina Financial Corp.(TICKER: CELN) lost $81,440, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $1.30 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $276,787 (including an extraordinary gain of $80,500), or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $2.71 million for the same

period in 1989.

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#90227c0015 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Academy Insurance Group Inc.(TICKER: ACIG) earned $1.82 million (including an extraordinary gain of $597,000), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $27.89 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $65,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $25.77 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90227c0016 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Docucon Inc.(TICKER: DOCU) lost $910,211, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $535,363 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $538,628, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $55,725 for the same period in 1989.

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#90227c0017 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Supermail International Inc.(TICKER: SPML) lost $74,686, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.02 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $183,985, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $677,026 for the same period in 1989.

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#90227c0018 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Rocking Horse Child Care Centers of America Inc.(TICKER: RHCC) earned $230,661, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $9.40 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $219,930 (extraordinary gain of $100,524), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $5.64 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90227c0019 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Banks of Iowa Inc.(TICKER: BIOW) earned $6.27 million, or $1.61 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $5.73 million, or $1.46 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90227c0020 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mitek Systems Inc.(TICKER: MITK) lost $246,688, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $6.53 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $422,986, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $3.27 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90227c0022 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Elmer's Restaurants Inc.(TICKER: ELMS) earned $78,787, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $3.08 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $30,306, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.75 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90227c0023 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Ambase has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ABC. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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#90227c0024 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Itel Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ITL. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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#90227c0026 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

RESOLUTION TRUST CORP OWNS 643,500 SHARES (34.20%) OF DIVERSIFIED HUMAN RESOURCES INC (TICKER: HIRE) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

At a special meeting of shareholders of DHRG held on Aug. 3, 1990, RTC, as receiver for Hallmark, voted the pledged shares which were security for a loan now in default solely as a defensive measure to prevent the recognition of an invalid proxy with respect to the same shares purportedly granted by William M. Brothers to DH Partners, LP on or about May 30, 1990. Pursuant to a standstill agreement among the parties, RTC as receiver for Hallmark has agreed that, until Aug. 15, 1990, it will not pursue foreclosure of the pledged shares or negotiate with any person other than the plaintiffs with respect to the sale or other disposition of the pledged shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

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PURPOSE:

Loan default.

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#90227c0027 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY MONTGOMERY MEDICAL VENTURES II LP OWNS 2,516,049 SHARES (21.20%) OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: AMA) OF SAN FRANCISCO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On April 2, 1990 the debentures were converted into 454,545 conversion shares of AMT common stock upon conversion of $2,500,000 aggregate principal amount of Advanced Medical Technologies Inc.'s 7 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 1995 previously purchased by MMVII and purchase by MMV II on July 20, 1990 of 90,804 shares of the AMT common stock in exchange for 131,510 shares of 10 percent cumulative preferred stock of Advanced Medical Technologies Inc. As provided in the letter agreement dated May 26, 1989 by and among Advanced Medical Technologies Inc., MMV II and Picower relating to additional registration rights, the

debentures and conversion shares have certain registration rights. The conversion of the debentures was a condition to the obligations of Aeneas Venture Corp. under the senior note and warrant purchase agreement dated April 2, 1990, between Advanced Medical Technologies Inc. and Aeneas, pursuant to which Aeneas made a loan to Advanced Medical Technologies Inc. for $35,000,000. Under a letter agreement dated March 30 1990 between Advanced Medical Technologies Inc., Picower, MMV II, MMV I and the persons listed on schedule A, MMV II agreed with Advanced Medical Technologies Inc. to amend the "piggyback" registration rights. The stock swap was effected pursuant to a stock purchase agreement dated July 20, 1990 between MMV II and Advanced Medical Technologies Inc. Under a letter agreement dated March 28, 1990, Advanced Medical Technologies Inc. agreed to reduce the conversion price in effect under the debentures from $6 to 4.50 per share and confirmed that all registrations rights granted remain in full force.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 20, 1990, Montgomery Medical Ventures II LP purchased 90,804 swap common shares in the stock swap in exchange for the swap preferred shares at an exchange rate based on closing prices on the American stock Exchange on June 12, 1990 of the AMT shares.

PURPOSE:

Debenture conversion.

-30- 2404
#90227c0028 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J.D. DODSON OF MILWAUKEE, WI OWNS 129,772 SHARES (5.60%) OF MEDALIST INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: MDIN) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The members of the group have orally agreed to work together for the purpose of holding the shares. James D. Dodson has been appointed agent and attorney- in-fact for V. Duane Rath and James R. Sanger pursuant to a power of attorney dated Oct. 27, 1986 and July 29, 1988. James D. Dodson has been appointed agent of JJD Investment Group pursuant to its partnership agreement, a notice evidencing such appointment dated Jan. 3, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between May 1990 and August 1990, J.D. Dodson purchased 43,438 shares at a price of $9.37 to $13.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90227c0029 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 260,000 SHARES (7.10%) OF KENT ELECTRONICS CORP (TICKER: KNT) OF HOUSTON, TX.

PURPOSE:

To show an increase in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

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#90227c0031 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 21

INTERSTATE PROPERTIES OF PARAMUS, NJ OWNS 1,383,468 SHARES (27.80%) OF ALEXANDERS INC (TICKER: ALX) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 28,900 shares held by Vornado, Inc. which has filed a notification form under the HSR Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 stating that it intends to acquire at least $15 million and may acquire in excess of 25 percent of the outstanding shares. Interstate plans, from time to time to assess its investment in Alexanders Inc. and may purchase additional shares.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

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#90227c0032 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

VORNADO INC OWNS 1,383,468 SHARES (27.80%) OF ALEXANDERS INC (TICKER: ALX) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 2 and Aug. 9, 1990, Vornado Inc. purchased 28,900 shares at a price of $31.25 to $32 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90227c0033 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY OMNICORP INTERNATIONAL BV OWNS 7,938,489 SHARES (55.73%) OF CHECKROBOT INC (TICKER: CKRB) OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Subsidiary and Checkrobot Inc. have entered into a credit agreement, dated Aug. 10, 1990, pursuant to which subsidiary agreed to make loans to Checkrobot Inc. up to the aggregate principal amount of $2,500,000; and Checkrobot Inc., as part of the consideration for the loans, executed two warrant certificates dated Aug. 10, 1990 pursuant to which Checkrobot Inc. granted to subsidiary two five-year warrants, one providing for the purchase of up to 2,500,000 shares at an initial exercise price of $1 per share and the second providing for the purchase of up to 1,000,000 shares at an initial exercise price of $2.50 per share.

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#90227c0034 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 1,880,622 SHARES (8.31%) OF IMCERA GROUP INC (TICKER: IMA) OF NORTHBROOK, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 18, 1990 and Aug. 2, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 256,030 shares at a price of $59.68 to $60.92 per share and sold 10,000 shares at a price of $60.50 to $60.55 per share.

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#90227c0035 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

R.P. KIPHART OWNS 108,875 SHARES (7.90%) OF PHOTO CONTROL CORP (TICKER: PHOC) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 5, 1990 and Aug. 3, 1990, R.P. Kiphart purchased 18,000 shares at a price of $4 to $4.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90227c0036 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ELRON ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES LTD OF HAIFA, ISRAEL OWNS 8,524,588 SHARES (55.40%) OF ELBIT COMPUTERS LTD (TICKER: ELBTF) OF HAIFA, ISRAEL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 8, 1990, following required approval of the issuance by the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange and the shareholders of Elbit, 517,193 Elbit ordinary shares were issued to Elron at a price of $9.43 per share, and, as a result of such issuance, Elron's ownership interest in Elbit was increased by 1.6 percent of Elbit's outstanding ordinary shares.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90227c0037 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 2,089,737 SHARES (5.13%) OF FEDERAL PAPERBOARD INC (TICKER: FBO) OF MONTVALE, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 5, 1990 and Aug. 3, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 365,900 shares at a price of $20 to $23.28 and sold 587,000 shares at a price of $20 to $22.36 per share.

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#90227c0039 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

G. SHUKOW OWNS 42,412 SHARES (5.50%) OF HAMPTONS BANCSHARES INC (TICKER: HBSI) OF SOUTHAMPTON, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION: On undisclosed dated, G. Shukow purchased 8,000 shares and sold 10,000 shares for undisclosed considerations.

PURPOSE:

Transaction of share.

-30- 477
#90227c0040 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

G. SHUKOW OWNS 48,391 SHARES (5.70%) OF HAMPTONS BANCSHARES INC (TICKER: HBSI) OF SOUTHAMPTON, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

G. Shukow purchased 35,500 shares from May 18 to July 30, 1990 for $9.25 to $11.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 451
#90227c0041 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY F.S. ALLEN OWNS 1,677,500 SHARES (15.36%) OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC (TICKER: BATTF) OF PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective as of July 26, 1990, each of F.S. Allen entered into a definitive purchase agreement with the management sellers providing for the acquisition by F.S. Allen of 75,500 shares for $2 per share. The purchase agreements and related documents were delivered in full into escrow by F.S. Allen on or about Aug. 9, 1990. The purchase agreements also provide that F.S. Allen will enter into a shareholders agreement, mutually acceptable to all parties, pursuant to which F.S. Allen will agree to vote all of the shares they hold in favor of a proposed amendment to the Earn-Out Share agreement. If F.S. Allen does not comply with the shareholder agreement to vote in favor of the proposed amendment prior to Dec. 31, 1991, then the management sellers are entitled to repaying the purchase price. F.S. Allen has been advised that his business associates who acquired shares and warrants to acquire shares the 1989 and the 1990 private placement also have committed to acquire an aggregate of 224,000

shares at $2 per share from the management, and that the DeBartolo Investors have committed to purchase an aggregate of 375,000 shares for $2 per share.

-30- 1516
#90227c0042 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY TIGER OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 217,300 SHARES (6.69%) OF HEEKIN CAN INC (TICKER: HEKN) OF CINCINNATI, OH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 1 and 6, 1990 Tiger sold 10,000 shares at a price of $38 per share and purchased 3,100 shares at a price of $38.62 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 505
#90227c0043 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 25

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Aug. 13, 1990, ER Holdings Inc., an indirect wholly- owned subsidiary of BTR plc, announced that its offer to purchase all the shares of Norton Company (TICKER: NRT) common stock for $75 per share in cash expired Aug. 10, 1990 and less than one percent of the total outstanding number of shares had been tendered pursuant to its offer. Since the conditions to ER Holdings offer were not met, any shares tendered pursuant accepted for payment but will be returned promptly to the tendering stockholder.

-30- 728
#90227c0044 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

K. ADAMS OF POMONA, CA OWNS 2,250,000 SHARES (51.10%) OF COUNTRY WIDE TRANSPORT SERVICES INC (TICKER: CWTS) OF FONTANA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a stock option agreement, as of May 25, 1989, Mr. Adams was granted the right to purchase 1,100,000 shares of Country Wide Transport Services Inc.'s common stock owned by CSX at any time on or after Aug. 1, 1989 and on or before September 30, 1990, subject to earlier termination in certain events.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 3, 1990, the option was cancelled and Mr. Adams purchased 1,100,000 shares of Country Wide Transport Services Inc.'s common stock owned by CSX for a purchase price of $330,000, $.30 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares and option cancellation.

-30- 966
#90227c0045 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The agreements described in Amendment No. 6, which were to expire on Aug. 1, 1990, were amended on July 31, 1990 to provide for their expiration on Feb. 1, 1991.

PURPOSE:

Amendment of expiration dates.

-30- 397
#90227c0047 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY R.M. HOROWITZ OF BEVERLY HILLS, CA OWNS 328,856 SHARES (12.10%) OF TRIO TECH INTL (TICKER: TRTC) OF SAN FERNANDO, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 27, 1990, R.M. Horowitz purchased 33,121 shares at a price of $0.46 per share on the open market.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 500
#90227c0048 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 1, 1990, With Design in Mind Intl Inc. (TICKER: WDIM) purchased for $150,000 a note which is convertible into either units or common stock. The note may be converted into units at such price which is equal to 50 percent of the offering price of an upcoming public offering of the units, which are made up of common share and one common share warrant. The note may be converted for up to 9.9 percent of With Design in Mind Intl Inc.'s common stock, with the number of shares depending on the final conversion price. Generation has also entered into two pledge agreements whereby the president and the secretary of With Design in Mind Intl Inc. each pledged 75,000 common shares to secure the note and the note purchase agreement.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 984
#90227c0049 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY JOHN DEERE INSURANCE CO OWNS 1,010,150 SHARES (13.90%) OF RE CAPITAL CORP (TICKER: RCC) OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From May 10 to July 23, 1990, John Deere Insurance co. purchased 33,500 shares for $13.50 to $14.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 514
#90227c0050 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ADIA S A OF LAUSANNE, 9, SWITZERLAND OWNS 8,307,100 SHARES (66.60%) OF ADIA SERVICES INC (TICKER: ADIA) OF MENLO PARK, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Adia SA purchased 116,600 shares from July 30 to Aug. 7, 1990 for $19.25 to $21 per share.

-30- 438
#90227c0051 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY P. FROST OWNS 1,482,250 SHARES (7.70%) OF FERRO CORP (TICKER: FOE) OF CLEVELAND, OH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

P. Frost acquired 660,000 shares from June 25 to Aug. 10, 1990 for $20 to $26 per share. From June 27 to Aug. 6, 1990, P. Frost purchased options for 135,500 shares for a total of $169,673 and sold options for 35,500 shares for $76,594.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 593
#90227c0052 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY A. DANESH OWNS 4,768,242 SHARES (9.90%) OF SOUTHMARK CORP (TICKER: SM) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Danesh is negotiating with financial institutions to obtain financing with the present intentions to buy up to 100 percent of new notes and new preferred stock and up to 49 percent of new common expected to be issued by Southmark on Aug. 13, 1990 as part of Southmark Corp.'s reorganization.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

A. Danesh sold 176,800 shares from July 16 to Aug. 6, 1990 for $.09 to $.22 per share.

PURPOSE:

Reorganization.

-30- 756
#90227c0053 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:15 that trade in First Connecticut Small Business Investment has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol FCO.

-30- 366
#90227c0055 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY SHELTER HOLDINGS INC OWNS 3,174,847 SHARES (33.30%) OF U S SHELTER CORP (TICKER: HUSSSC) OF GREENVILLE, SC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The partnership and Shelter Holding received certain irrevocable proxies that purported to grant or granted them the right to vote certain shares of the Shelter common stock in connection with the asset purchase option agreement, dated as of July 23, 1990, by and among Shelter Holding, US Shelter Corp., and certain subsidiaries of US Shelter Corp. in order to induce Shelter Holding to execute and deliver the asset purchase option agreement and to incur certain expenses. The ten proxies granted Shelter Holding the right to vote an aggregate of 3,174,847 shares of the outstanding Shelter common stock and each proxy was received by Shelter Holding on Aug. 8, 1990.

-30- 1025
#90227c0056 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

I. GILINSKI OWNS 4,470,000 SHARES (21.30%) OF TIGERA GROUP INC (TICKER: TYGR) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This transaction was amended by an agreement dated August 7, 1990 to provide that the aggregate purchase price paid by Mr. Gilinski for the 3,445,000 shares of common stock of Tigera Group Inc. is changed from $3,445,000 to $2,583,750. The purchase price was paid in full on Aug. 9, 990. Mr. Gilinski used $133,750 in personal funds and the remaining $2,450,000 was provided by a bank loan. All prior obligations between Mr. Gilinski and Court Square Investors Ltd. are cancelled and no further obligations exist between the parties in this transaction.

PURPOSE:

Amendment agreement.

-30- 909
#90227c0057 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

M.A. SIMONELLI OWNS 36,299 SHARES (6.15%) OF GREAT FALLS BANCORP (TICKER: GKK) OF TOTOWA, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 1, 1990, M.A. Simonelli acquired beneficial ownership of 3,299 shares of Great Falls Bancorp's common stock as the result of a 10 percent stock dividend declared by the board in June 1990, payable on Aug. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record on July 1, 1990. Mr. Simonelli paid no consideration for these shares.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 664
#90227c0058 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 428,000 SHARES (6.50%) OF FURON CO (TICKER: FCBN) OF LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA.

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 454
#90227c0059 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

J.L. SOLDOVERI OWNS 62,919 SHARES (10.66%) OF GREAT FALLS BANCORP (TICKER:

GKK) OF TOTOWA, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On August 1, 1990, J.L. Soldoveri acquired beneficial ownership of 5,719 shares of Great Falls Bancorp's common stock as the result of a 10 percent stock dividend declared by the board during June 1990 and payable to shareholders of record on July 1, 1990. Mr. Soldoveri acquired these shares without further payment of consideration.

PURPOSE:

Stock dividend.

-30- 690
#90227c0060 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 177,000 SHARES (4.81%) OF PRINTRONIX INC (TICKER: PTNX) OF IRVINE, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 18, 1990 and Aug. 1, 1990 FMR Corp. sold 60,000 shares at $11.12 to $12.13 each and on July 2, 1990 purchased 4,500 shares at $13 each.

-30- 465
#90227c0061 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 177,000 SHARES (4.81%) OF PRINTRONIX INC (TICKER: PTNX) OF IRVINE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: No other significant information was included.

-30- 363
#90227c0063 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY M.L. MCINTYRE TRUST OWNS 17,600,000 SHARES (79.00%) OF TM COMMUNICATIONS INC (TICKER: TMCI) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an agreement and plan of reorganization, TM communications Inc. issued 15.6 million shares to Marjorie L. McIntyre Trust in exchange for all the shares of Century 21 Programming Inc. on Aug. 1, 1990. Century 21 then became a wholly owned subsidiary of TM Communications Inc. Pursuant to a stock purchase agreement dated July 31, 1990 between Blyth and Harbor Acquisition Inc., Blythe purchased from Harbor on Aug. 1, 1990 2 million common shares for $450,000.

PURPOSE:

To obtain control of TM Communications Inc.

-30- 893
#90227c0064 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:27 that trade in Therapeutic Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: TTII) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 3/16, 11/32. The company is located in Dayton, OH.

-30- 369
#90227c0065 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.L. SIRBASKU OWNS 109,619 SHARES (5.40%) OF SMI INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: SMII) OF WACO, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.L. Sirbasku received 10,046 shares as a gift on Aug. 3, 1990.

-30- 386
#90227c0066 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

UPDYKE ASSOCIATES OF HATBORO, PA OWNS 521,200 SHARES (14.40%) OF UNITED SERVICES ADVISORS INC (TICKER: USVS) OF SAN ANTONIO, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Updyke Associates purchased 35,000 shares on Aug. 2, 1990 for $1.50 to $1.51 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 486
#90227c0067 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY E.H. FISH OWNS 2,721,008 SHARES (18.70%) OF MICRO DISPLAY SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: MDSIC) OF HASTINGS, MN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On June 30, 1990, E.H. Fish was entitled to purchase an additional 64,575 shares due to the unpaid balance of $575,000 on a $1,325,000 promissory note.

-30- 495
#90227c0068 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

EWING OIL INC OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 62,658 SHARES (1.10%) OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC (TICKER: CMRE) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 20, 1990, the board of Ewing announced the distribution of 687,342 of Comstock Resources Inc.'s shares to Ewing stockholders by early August, 1990. As compensation for a loan guarantee, Comstock Resources Inc. granted Ewing an option to purchase 265,000 shares at $9 per share which

was the market price on the date of the grant. The option was not exercisable until the loan was paid or the guarantee released. The term loan with Union Bank was paid in full on May 25, 1990 and the option became exercisable on that date and will expire in five years.

PURPOSE:

Distribution of shares.

-30- 938
#90227c0069 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY PLACER DOME INC OF VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA OWNS 3,062,282 SHARES (34.30%) OF CONTINENTAL GOLD CORP (TICKER: cntv) OF VANCOUVER, CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Placer Dome Inc. are considering commencing a $20 per share tender offer for all shares of Continental Gold Corp. contingent upon the receipt by Continental Gold Corp. of an agreement from BP Resources Canada Ltd. settling certain pending litigation. According to an Aug. 2, 1990 shareholder agreement with other shareholders of Continental Gold Corp., Placer Dome Inc.is entitled to purchase, if a bid is commenced, from 2,674,282 to 2,874,282 shares for $20 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Placer Dome Inc. purchased 165,700 shares from Aug. 3-10, 1990 for $12.88 to $16.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Subscription agreement and possible tender of shares.

-30- 1051
#90227c0071 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 13, 1990, Kansas City Power & Light Co.(TICKER: KAN) announced it has begun to solicit proxies for a special shareholder meeting which KCPL is seeking to have scheduled. KCPL does not have access to Kansas Gas & Electric's (TICKER: KSGE) shareholder list but is beginning to run advertisements seeking shareholder response.

-30- 541
#90227c0075 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON MERCHANT BANKING PORTFOLIO PARTNERSHIP OWNS 6,389,936 SHARES (26.90%) OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL CORP (TICKER: D.IWA) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 26, 1990, pursuant to an exchange agreement among Illinois Central Corp, Shearson Lehman Hutton Merchant Banking Portfolio Partnership and the Prospect Group Inc., the series A preferred shares held by Prospect and the series B shares held by Shearson Lehman Hutton Merchant Banking Portfolio Partnership were exchanged for series B common stock. Shearson Lehman Hutton Banking Portfolio Partnership have agreed to restrictions on the voting or transfer of their shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

As the result of the exercise of a warrant to purchase 500,000 shares of Prospect common stock on July 29, 1990, Employee Partnership is entitled to receive 74,951 shares of common stock on Aug. 20, 1990 pursuant to the distribution from Prospect to shareholders of record on Aug. 2, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 1225
#90227c0076 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A. LAX TRUSTEE OWNS 268,000 SHARES (7.46%) OF POLLUTION RESEARCH & CTRL

CORP CA (TICKER: PRCC) OF GLENDALE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 420
#90227c0077 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY CONSOLIDATED VENTURE TR PLC OWNS 185,700 SHARES (9.40%) OF DS BANCOR INC (TICKER: DSBC) OF DERBY, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 31, 1990, MIM Britannia American Smaller Companies Fund, MIM Britannia International Ltd. and MIM Britannia US Smaller Companies Trust ceased to own any shares and are no longer filers.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Consolidated Venture TR PLC purchased 28,500 shares on July 31, 1990 for $9.75 per share and sold 33,500 shares from July 31 to Aug. 8, 1990 for $7 to $9.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 766
#90227c0078 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY MOUNT VERNON MILLS INC OWNS 60,715 SHARES (7.70%) OF THOMASTON MILLS INC (TICKER: TMST) OF THOMASTON, GA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Mount Vernon Mills Inc. purchased 29,401 class A shares from July 25 to Aug. 10, 1990 for $18 to $19 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 499
#90227c0079 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY MOUNT VERNON MILLS INC OWNS 400,516 SHARES (17.00%) OF THOMASTON MILLS INC (TICKER: TMST) OF THOMASTON, GA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Mount Vernon Mills Inc. purchased 29,401 class A shares from July 25 to Aug. 10, 1990 for $18 to $19 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 502
#90227c0080 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

F. LUBCHER OWNS 186,900 SHARES (3.87%) OF AIR EXPRESS INTL CORP (TICKER: AEX) OF DARIEN, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

F. Lubacher became the trustee of the trust created by Joseph S. Mailman UAD June 16, 1986. The trust sold 60,000 shares on May 22, 1990 for $18

per share. Since the aggregate amount of shares beneficially owned by F. Lubacher is less than five percent of the common stock outstanding, this is the final report of F. Lubacher.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 685
#90227c0082 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.A. WOLFE OWNS 186,900 SHARES (3.87%) OF AIR EXPRESS INTL CORP (TICKER: AEX) OF DARIEN, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The aggregate amount of beneficially-owned shares is less than five percent of the common stock outstanding; this is the final report by J.A. Wolfe.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On May 22, 1990, the Joseph Mailman Trust sold 60,000 shares of the common stock of Air Express Intl. Corp. at $18 per share on the open market.

-30- 639
#90227c0083 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.M. WOLFE OWNS 23,200 SHARES (.48%) OF AIR EXPRESS INTL CORP (TICKER: AEX) OF DARIEN, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The aggregate amount of beneficially-owned shares is less than five percent of the common stock outstanding; this is the final report by J.M. Wolfe. On April 10, 1990, J.M. Wolfe resigned as trustee of the Joseph S. Mailman Trust, Joan Mailman Wolfe and Phyllis Mailman trustees and no longer exercises shared voting power or shared disposition power over the 246,900 shares of the trust's common stock of J.M. Wolfe, and expressly disclaims

beneficial ownership of such shares of stock.

-30- 815
#90227c0084 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

P. MAILMAN OWNS 285,600 SHARES (5.91%) OF AIR EXPRESS INTL CORP (TICKER: AEX) OF DARIEN, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On April 10, 1990, Joseph L. Mailman created a trust, the Joseph L. Mailman Revocable Trust F/B/O Joseph L. Mailman U/A/D 04/10/90 with Joseph L. Mailman and Phyllis Mailman, trustees. Joseph L. Mailman transferred to the trust 95,000 shares of the common stock of Air Express Intl. Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On May 22, 1990, the trust sold 60,000 shares of the common stock of Air Express Intl. Corp.at $18 per share on the open market.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 794
#90227c0085 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY QEP PARTNERS LTD OWNS 757,209 SHARES (18.80%) OF ANGELES CORP (TICKER: ANG) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In 1984, QEP acquired shares of Angeles common stock and warrants expiring in Jan. 1991 to purchase Angeles common stock for $21 per share. In December 1988, QEP transferred these securities to QEP Trust wherein the assets were distributed to the beneficiaries of the trust on July 31, 1990. The distribution of the assets of QEP Trust was pursuant to the modification and option agreement dated July 23, 1990 and each, Resources and Group, has granted Angeles a proxy to vote all the shares Angeles common stock owned (and any of the shares acquired pursuant to the

warrants) by them until July 23, 1993, except as to matters relating to a change in control of Angeles.

-30- 1002
#90227c0086 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

D. BLECH OWNS 3,573,680 SHARES (35.30%) OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: LTIZ) OF MENLO PARK, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 1, 1990, D. Blech purchased 123,500 shares at a price of $3.06 to $3.50 per share.

-30- 426
#90227c0087 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In press releases of Aug. 13 and 14, 1990, FLGI Acquisition Corp. announced that the Delaware chancery court has denied plaintiffs' motion for a preliminary injunction seeking to enjoin the tender offer and announced th due to the power failure in lower Manhattan, it was extending the expiration date of its tender offer to Aug. 14, 1990, respectively.

-30- 599
#90227c0089 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Helix Biocore Inc.(TICKER: HLIX) lost $835,870, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $54,663 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $607,707, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $163,782 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 469
#90227c0091 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Kinnard Investments Inc.(TICKER: KINN) earned $658,663, or $0.28 per share on revenues of $6.05 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $117,559, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $5.41 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480
#90227c0092 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows International Leisure Enterprises (TICKER: ILEX) lost $543,991, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $532,076 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $358,543, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $1.06 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 499
#90227c0093 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust(TICKER: CMET) lost $396,000, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $3.89 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $744,000, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $3.91 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 514
#90227c0094 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Strategic Abstract & Title Corp.(TICKER: SDBC) earned $187,151 (including an extraordinary gain of $250,586), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1,231 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $20,067, or $0.01 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

Strategic Abstract & Title Corp. is a development stage firm which offers complete title abstract services and is an agent authorized to sell title insurance.

-30- 690
#90227c0095 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Exploration Co.(TICKER: TXCO) of Louisiana reporting earnings of $1.05 million, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $5.66 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $195,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.04 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 536
#90227c0096 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Scan-Graphics Inc.(TICKER: SCNG) lost $194,577, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $461,799 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $117,971, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $857,677 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 461
#90227c0097 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows National Transaction Network (TICKER: NTNI) lost $333,945, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.43 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $572,333, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $447,697 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 490
#90227c0099 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows M.S. Carriers Inc. (TICKER: MSCA) earned $2.35 million, or $0.44 per share on revenues of $30.73 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net profit of $2.17 million, or $0.41 per share, on revenues of $24.83 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 506
#90227c0100 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Amarillo Bancorporation Inc.(TICKER: FAMA) earned $911,377 (including an extraordinary gain of $295,000), or $0.24 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $697,776 (including an extraordinary gain of $211,000), or $0.24 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 540

#90227c0101 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Omni Exploration (TICKER: OMNX) lost $72,433, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $497,440 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $15,562, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $591,383 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 481

#90227c0102 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:30 that trade in Allegheny International has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol AG.

-30- 324

#90227c0103 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:36 that trade in Dollar Savings Association (NASDAQ: DSVG) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 20, 24. The company is located in New Castle, PA.

-30- 363

#90227c0104 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:53 that trade in Ameriscribe Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol ACR.

-30- 313

#90227c0105 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - Woburn, Mass.-Thermo Electron Corp. (TICKER: TMO), has acquired in a stock swap E. & M. Lamort S.A., a French maker of advanced stock-preparation systems used in producing recycled paper, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 14, 1990

-30- 520

#90227c0107 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - Alliance Bancorp., a Cleveland, Ohio, -based parent of Alliance Bank, which was taken over by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., has income tax refunds of $2.23 million due from the state of Alaska and the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

Both the state and the IRS have notified Alliance that audits of Alliance Bancorp's 1987 and 1988 tax returns show net operating losses exceeded the adjustments previously proposed by Alliance Bancorp so no tax is due, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This resolves earlier issues of income tax liabilities being investigated by both government bodies.

Alliance Bancorp.'s seven-member board of directors has four representatives of the FDIC.

The board has yet to decide how to distribute the refunds.

Alliance Bancorp. is in the process of being liquidated.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 14, 1990

-30- 1121

#90227c0108 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - Minneapolis, Minn.-based NWNL Companies Inc. (TICKER: NWNL) will divest itself of Provident General Insurance Co., its property and casualty insurance subsidiary, and has hired Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp. to help with the divestiture, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Aug. 14, 1990

-30- 582

#90227c0109 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - Baldwin Technology Co.(TICKER: BLD) of Rowayton, Ct., has acquired Misomex of North America, Inc. and Misomex AB, which manufacture equipment for the printing industry, from RZ Corp., a unit of Dyson-Kissner-Moran Corp., for $44 million.

Misomex has subsidiaries in England, Sweden, West Germany, Finland and the U.S., according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 14, 1990

-30- 660
#90227c0110 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - Philadelphia, Pa., based Authorized Distribution Network Inc.(TICKER: ADNI) has agreed to acquire Recticon Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Mahopac, N.Y.-based Walker International Industries Inc., which makes silicon wafers used in the manufacture of computer chips, in exchange for one million Authorized Distribution common shares, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 14, 1990

-30- 667
#90227c0111 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - D.C. Transit System Inc.(TICKER: DCTR), a wholly owned subsidiary of D.C. Trading and Development Corp., a Washington, D.C., real estate company, has sold its Navy Yard property, a one-and-a-half story building at 770 M Street, S.E., Washington, for $6 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The buyer was not disclosed.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 14, 1990

-30- 609
#90227c0112 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - Denver, Co.-based Premier Resources Ltd. (TICKER: PRL) has completed the sale of 50 percent of its U.S. oil and gas reserves for $1.85 million in cash to Redstone Oil and Gas Company of Denver, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 14, 1990

-30- 517
#90227c0113 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - Nycal Corp.(TICKER: NYCL) of Washington, D.C., has agreed to acquire a controlling 50.7 percent interest in Shepard Insurance Group Ltd., a Vancouver-based insurance holding company owning firms in Britain and Canada, in a stock swap.

Nycal plans to offer to buy the remaining shares of Shepard, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 14, 1990

-30- 631

#90227c0115 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - Vintage Petroleum Inc.(TICKER: VPI) of Tulsa, Okla., has acquired certain oil and gas properties in Plaquemines Parish, La., from Chevron U.S.A. Inc., for $14 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 14, 1990

-30- 504

#90227c0116 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - L. Texas Petroleum Inc., a wholly owned unit of The Exploration Company of Louisiana Inc.(TICKER: XCOL), a Lafayette, La., energy company, has acquired certain oil and gas properties in Texas for $40 million.

The properties are located in the Berry R. Cox Field area in Webb, Zapata, and Jim Hogg counties, Texas and were owned by Berry R. Cox., Inc., Edwin L. Cox Revocable Trust and Mashek Energy Corp.

Following completion of the deal, L. Texas Petroleum will own an interest ranging from 50 percent to 75 percent of the producing properties, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

L. Texas Petroleum assumed operation of the properties on Aug. 1.

In addition, Exploration Company of Louisiana raised $50 million with a preferred share rights offering concluded July 27.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 14, 1990

-30- 1091

#90227c0117 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in American Medical Buildings Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol A. Trading was resumed at 13:21.

-30- 370
#90227c0118 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:58 that trade in Therapeutic Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: TTII) has been resumed. The first bid was 1/4; up 1/16 point from the halt and previous close.

-30- 357
#90227c0119 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Compression Labs Inc. (TICKER: CLIX) earned $569,000, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $12.82 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $151,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $6.66 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 479
#90227c0120 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Reuter Inc.(TICKER: REUT) lost $840,995 (including a gain of $556,616 from discontinued operations), or $0.33 per share, on revenues of $5.77 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.02 million ($145,250 loss from discontinued operations), or $0.81 per share, on revenues of $4.59 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 566
#90227c0121 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Whiting Petroleum Corp.(TICKER: WPCO) earned $556,126, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $1.68 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $495,227 (extraordinary gain of $168,000), or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $1.16 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 523
#90227c0123 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows National Income Realty Trust (TICKER: NIRT) earned $2.75 million (including an extraordinary gain of $5.93 million), or $0.75 per share, on revenues of $7.51 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.35 million, or $0.36 per share, on revenues of $7.38 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 560

#90227c0124 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Partners Oil Co.(TICKER: PARO) earned $22,681, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.26 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $47,667, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $508,037 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 464

#90227c0125 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows National Capital Management Corp. (TICKER: NCMC) earned $21,689, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $386,546 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $58,042, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $341,665 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 497

#90227c0126 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Above Technologies Inc.(TICKER: ABVE) lost $167,231, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $417,543 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $38,261, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $335,206 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 486

#90227c0127 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Caprock Corp. (TICKER: CPRK) lost $88,275, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $5,200 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $95,755, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $10,809 for the same period in 1989.

Caprock is an exploration stage firm engaged in the exploration, development and production of mineral reserves.

-30- 579
#90227c0128 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Immune Response Corp.(TICKER: IMNR) earned $232,759, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.04 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $1.14 million, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $794,993 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 484
#90227c0129 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Airship International Ltd.(TICKER: BLMP) lost $289,000, or $0.04 per share on revenues of $900,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $59,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $784,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 481
#90227c0131 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mid-Atlantic Medical Services (TICKER: MAMS) reporting a second quarter net profit of $1.33 million (including an extraordinary gain of $39,000), or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $50.32 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $134,000 (including an extraordinary loss of $33,000), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $27.50 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 650
#90227c0132 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Germania Bank (TICKER: GMFD) lost $25.68 million, or $13.04 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $441,000, or $0.22 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 440
#90227c0133 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The S & M Company (TICKER: SAME) reporting a net gain of $68,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $4.79 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $45,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $5.20 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 487

#90227c0134 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows McFarland Energy Inc.(TICKER: MCFE) earned $45,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $3.93 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $466,000, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $4.08 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 484

#90227c0135 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Rice Inc.(TICKER: RICE) lost $199,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $42.59 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $169,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $47.52 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 465

#90227c0136 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows New York Bancorp Inc. (TICKER: NYBC) earned $1.51 million, or $0.45 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $355,000, or $0.10 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 439

#90227c0137 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Columbia Hospital Corp. (TICKER: CHOS) earned $2.31 million, or $0.41 per share, on revenues of $58.04 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $815,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $33.85 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 506

#90227c0139 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Centennial Savings Bank (TICKER: CNSB) earned $202,608, or $0.32 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $86,105, or $0.14 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 439

#90227c0140 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Farm & Home Financial Corp.(TICKER: FAHS) reporting a second quarter profit of $2.81 million, or $0.34 per share, for the quarter ended June 30 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.48 million, or $0.01 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 479

#90227c0141 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

E.C.M. BASTERIS OWNS 82,700 SHARES (5.50%) OF APOGEE TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: APGG) OF RANDOLPH, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares and investment.

-30- 427

#90227c0142 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

B.B. TULEY OWNS 480,114 SHARES (4.69%) OF MICHAELS STORES INC (TICKER: MKE) OF IRVING, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On April 4, 1990, the Partnership distributed an aggregate 20,014 shares of

common stock to Mr. Tuley on his withdrawal as a limited partner of the Partnership. Mr. Tuley assumed the $40,641.42 principal amount of indebtedness of the Partnership associated with such shares and the shares were released from the bank's security interest. Also, on July 9, 1990, Mr. Tuley ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 9, 1990, Mr. Tuley sold all of the outstanding common stock of the general partner to Sam Wyly for $2,854.

PURPOSE:

Sales of shares.

-30- 948
#90227c0143 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows InFerGene Co. (TICKER: IFGN) lost $642,700, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $87,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $554,900, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $149,900 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 464
#90227c0144 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY CENITH PARTNERS L P OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 319,500 SHARES (5.16%) OF INSTRON CORP (TICKER: ISN) OF CANTON, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 13, 1990, Cenith notified Instron Corp and The First National Bank of Boston that Cenith believes that Instron Corp.'s poison pill had been triggered on July 31, 1990 by the announcement of the formation of a group (within the meaning of rule 13d-5(b) of the Exchange Act) led by Instron Corp.'s chairman and vice chairman and members of their families who allegedly control 39 percent of Instron Corp.'s common stock. In a press release dated July 13, 1990, in response to a schedule 13d recently filed with the S.E.C., the founders of Instron Corp., Harold Hindman and George S. Burr, who with the members of their families own 39 percent of the outstanding common stock of Instron Corp., said they oppose any change in

control of Instron Corp. In a press release dated Aug. 13, 1990, Cenith demanded, on behalf of all shareholders other than the group, that certificates evidencing rights to acquire an Instron preferred stock at an exercise price adjusted to reflect a triggering event under the Instron right agreement dated Nov. 2, 1988 be issued immediately to shareholders and that all further actions be taken to permit the exercise of rights by shareholders other than said group.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 3, 1990, Cenith Partners LP purchased 9,300 shares at a price of $9.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Triggering of Poison Pill.

-30- 1720
#90227c0145 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Communications Systems Inc. (TICKER: CSII) reporting earnings of $633,717, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $9.04 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $457,517, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $7.20 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 518
#90227c0147 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.A. BLUMBERG OWNS 681,026 SHARES (1.55%) OF PLANO PETROLEUM CORP (TICKER: PLNO) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This transaction involved the sale of warrants back to Plano Petroleum Corp. by the individuals who had purchased them less than sixty days earlier, for the same amount of consideration.

PURPOSE:

To rescind the sale of warrants by Plano Petroleum Corp. to its shareholders.

-30- 604
#90227c0148 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Federal Savings Bank of Defuniak Springs (TICKER: FSBD) earned $25,370, or $0.05 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $54,502, or $0.10 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 467
#90227c0149 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY D.E. FRANZ JR OF GROUP LED BY NEW YORK, NY OWNS 491,300 SHARES (5.80%) OF DURHAM CORP (TICKER: DUCO) OF RALEIGH, NC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 13, 1990, several of the registrants, submitted to Durham Corp.'s entire board various proposals for presentation by Durham Corp.'s management at the next annual meeting of shares of Durham Corp..

-30- 555
#90227c0150 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

P.E. MALLOY III OWNS 300,000 SHARES (9.28%) OF NEW YORK BANCORP INC (TICKER: NYBC) OF DOUGLASTON, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 10, 1990, the Malloy filed an application with the Office of Thrift Supervision seeking regulatory approval to conduct a proxy contest to elect persons to the board at the 1991 annual meeting.

PURPOSE:

Proxy contest.

-30- 560
#90227c0151 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Country Wide Transport Services Inc. (TICKER: CWTS) reporting a net loss of $8.07 million, or $1.83 per share, on revenues of $15.54 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $3.15 million, or $0.72 per share, on revenues of $19.02 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 544
#90227c0152 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

J.W. ROLLINS SR OWNS 380,000 SHARES (8.04%) OF STAR STATES CORP (TICKER: STSS) OF WILMINGTON, DE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.W. Rollins purchased 80,000 shares from July 18-24, 1990 for $2.25 to $3.125 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 451
#90227c0153 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Cornucopia Resources Ltd.(TICKER: CNPG) reporting a net loss of $288,733, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $87,538 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $165,033, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $29,753 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 503
#90227c0155 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M.B. PAYNE OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 620,606 SHARES (11.90%) OF RUBICON CORP (TICKER: RBCN) OF RICHARDSON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M.B. Payne and another director of Rubicon Corp. and employee of Cardinal Investment Co., along with Cardinal's pension and profit sharing plans purchased from William G. Groves, a former director of Rubicon Corp., for $32,800 (1) 2,000 series B preferred shares which are convertible into common stock, (2) Grove's 2 percent interest in Rubicon Corp.'s promissory note dated Mar. 31, 1990 in the aggregate amount of $1 million and (3) warrants to purchase 41,000 common shares at $.40 per share. The purchasers also acquired 100,000 at $.40 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares for investment.

-30- 933

#90227c0156 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Member Services Corp. (TICKER: MSCX) lost $179,661, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.24 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $18,291, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $889,747 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 493

#90227c0157 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

E.W. ROSE III OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 1,801,496 SHARES (34.70%) OF RUBICON CORP (TICKER: RBCN) OF RICHARDSON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

E.W. Rose III and another director of Rubicon Corp. and employee of Cardinal Investment Co., along with Cardinal's pension and profit sharing plans purchased from William G. Groves, a former director of Rubicon Corp. for $32,800 (1) 2,000 series B preferred shares which are convertible into common stock, (2) Grove's 2 percent interest in Rubicon Corp.'s promissory note dated Mar. 31, 1990 in the aggregate amount of $1 million and (3) warrants to purchase 41,000 common shares at $.40 per share. The

purchasers also acquired 100,000 at $.40 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares for investment.

-30- 941

#90227c0158 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Unifast Industries Inc.(TICKER: UFST) lost $371,015, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $3.28 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $181,110 (including an extraordinary loss of $29,048), or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $3.22 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 533

#90227c0159 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

GROUP LED BY BASICS FINANCIAL PLANNING & INVESTMENTS OWNS 3,373,335 SHARES (16.00%) OF ELECTRONIC CLEARING HOUSE INC (TICKER: ECHO) OF AGOURA HILLS, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Basics Financial Planning & Investments acquired 1,880,000 shares for the cancellation of debts of $470,222 owed by the issuer to basics. Basics Financial Planning Investments also acquired 410,000 shares issued to correct the difference in the purchase price paid by Basics Financial Planning Investments compared to other purchasers in a 1985 private placement.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 796

#90227c0160 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 16

GROUP LED BY J.M. BARRY OWNS 6,035,991 SHARES (21.00%) OF ELECTRONIC CLEARING HOUSE INC (TICKER: ECHO) OF AGOURA HILLS, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.M. Barry acquired 2,052,000 shares for the cancellation of debts of $513,000 owed by Electronic Clearing House Inc. to basics.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 520
#90227c0161 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Properties Ltd. reporting a second quarter net loss of $119,110, or $21.32 per limited partnership unit, on revenues of $371,459 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $242,692, or $43.43 per limited partnership unit, on revenues of $336,643 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 540
#90227c0163 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

GROUP LED BY J.M. BARRY OWNS 12,077,385 SHARES (34.00%) OF ELECTRONIC CLEARING HOUSE INC (TICKER: ECHO) OF AGOURA HILLS, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.M. Barry acquired 1,050,000 shares in lieu of cash payment for the purchase of $210,000 in real property, 363,892 shares to cancel indebtedness at $.20 per share created by lease of equipment to Electronic Clearing House Inc., and 1,040,239 shares acquired at $.20 per share to cancel debt owed by Electronic Clearing House Inc. to the purchaser.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 740
#90227c0164 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lincoln Financial Corp.(TICKER: LFIN) earned $4.29 million, or $0.64 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $4.74 million, or $0.68 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 445
#90227c0165 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 19

GROUP LED BY J.M. BARRY OWNS 13,652,691 SHARES (36.00%) OF ELECTRONIC CLEARING HOUSE INC (TICKER: ECHO) OF AGOURA HILLS, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.M. Barry acquired 1,125,306 shares in exchange for canceling indebtedness at $.20 per share owed by Electronic Clearing House Inc.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 521
#90227c0166 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 20

GROUP LED BY BASICS FINANCIAL PLANNING & INVESTMENTS OWNS 1,638,434 SHARES (42.00%) OF ELECTRONIC CLEARING HOUSE INC (TICKER: ECHO) OF AGOURA HILLS, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On June 21, 1990, Basics Financial Planning & Investments effectuated a one for eleven reverse stock split of its common. Basics Financial Planning Investments acquired warrants to purchase 400,000 shares, exercisable at $.01 to $1.25 per share until June 29, 1995.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 695
#90227c0167 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Dawson Geophysical Co. (TICKER: DWSN) earned $22,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.20 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $407,000, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $1.10 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 495
#90227c0168 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to amend and provide additional information with respect to partners, directors, executive officers and controlling persons of Radnor Venture Partners LP.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 449
#90227c0169 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Nostalgia Network Inc. (TICKER: NNET) lost $1.02 million, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $1.96 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $656,175, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $1.00 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 496
#90227c0171 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GROUP LED BY S.E. WYLY OWNS 2,339,489 SHARES (22.50%) OF MICHAELS STORES INC (TICKER: MKE) OF IRVING, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 400,000 shares subject to presently exercisable options.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 9, 1990, Sam Wyly purchased all of the outstanding shares of The First Dallas Wealth Management Corp., the general partner, from B.B. Tuley for $2,854 using personal funds.

PURPOSE:

Sam Wyly acquired his interest in the general partner in order to obtain voting power with respect to the partnership shares.

-30- 782
#90227c0172 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC OF MILWAUKEE, WI OWNS 2,248,300 SHARES (12.60%) OF MEASUREX CORP (TICKER: MX) OF CUPERTINO, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 6 and 13, 1990, Harnischfeger Ind. Inc. purchased 237,400 shares at a price of $18 to $18.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 515
#90227c0173 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.A. ROCKER OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 263,900 SHARES (5.20%) OF DATASCOPE CORP

(TICKER: DSCP) OF MONTVALE, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 8, 1990 and Aug. 6, 1990, D.A. Rocker purchased 29,400 shares at a price of $19.06 to $24.56 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 483

#90227c0174 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Ameriscribe Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ACR. Trading was resumed at 14:04.

-30- 347

#90227c0175 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:17 that trade in Homestead Holding (NASDAQ: HMSD) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 11. The company is located in Middletown, PA.

-30- 338

#90227c0176 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 6, 1990, Nycal Corp. (TICKER: NYCL) announced the sale of its 29.99 interest in Claremont plc for $1.27 million.

Nycal reports it made a profit of approximately $675,000 on the sale.

-30- 398

#90227c0177 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 7, 1990 the board of directors of Anderson-Stokes Inc. approved the terms of an agreement to sell substantially all of the business of Anderson-Stokes to Long & Foster with the exception of its Dover and Seaford, Delaware offices.

The agreement is subject to the approval of shareholders.

The parties intend to settle during the month of Sept. 1990.

On the settlement date, Anderson-Stokes would cease doing business as a real estate sales and rental firm and would transfer its name and log, listings, rental accounts, certain office leases and personal property to Long & Foster.

The executive office of Anderson-Stokes is located at 48 Rehoboth Ave., Rehobeth Beach, DE 19971 and its telephone number is (302) 227-2541.

-30- 969

#90227c0179 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Dynascan Corp. (TICKER: DYNA) lost $996,000, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $50,027 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $565,000, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $62,299 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 449

#90227c0180 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows C.E.C. Industries Corp. (TICKER: CECN) lost $25,008, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $496,379 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $42,565, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $670,368 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 492

#90227c0181 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Premier Bankshares Corp. (TICKER: PBKC) earned $1.23 million, or $0.36 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.35 million, or $0.40 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 450

#90227c0182 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hodgson Houses Inc. (TICKER: HDHG) lost $163,976, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $1.48 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $423,037, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $1.85 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480

#90227c0183 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Gulf Exploration Consultants Inc. lost $73,573, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $268,595 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.73 million, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $573,542 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 484

#90227c0184 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Summit Technology Inc. (TICKER: BEAM) lost $10,605, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.95 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $395,018, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $1.03 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 485

#90227c0185 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Vestro Foods Inc. (TICKER: VEST) earned $92,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $67,000), but lost $0.01 per share after preferred stock dividend requirements, on revenues of $8.67 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $10,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $4.68 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 574

#90227c0187 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mid-South Insurance Co. (TICKER: MIDS) earned $1.51 million, or $0.58 per share, on revenues of $15.05 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $818,000, or $0.31 per share, on revenues of $19.26 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 489

#90227c0188 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:04 that trade in Lynton Group (NASDAQ: LYNG) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 5/16. The company is located in Spring Valley, NY.

-30- 331

#90227c0189 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Presstak Inc. lost $382,663, or $0.09 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $351,791, or $0.10 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

Presstak Inc. reports net losses are expected to continue through its development stage, until it is able to market its proprietary direct image technology and achieve adequate sales levels.

-30- 630

#90227c0190 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ventrex Inc. (TICKER: VTRX) reporting earnings of $2,917, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $3.70 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $163,682, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $3.29 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 496

#90227c0191 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Franklin Capital Corp. lost $76,857, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $19,766 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $250,447, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $34,070 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 460

#90227c0192 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mercom Inc. (TICKER: MERO) lost $550,000, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $2.28 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $715,000 on revenues of $1.89 million for the

same period in 1989.

-30- 430

#90227c0193 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Starstream Communications Group Inc. (TICKER: SCGI) earned $101,795 (including an extraordinary gain of $31,556), or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $355,538 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $200,490, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $780,166 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 540

#90227c0195 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Gulf Applied Technologies Inc. (TICKER: GATS) earned $1.56 million (including a gain of $955,000 from discontinued operations), or $0.47 per share, on revenues of $505,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $405,000, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $404,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 555

#90227c0196 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Penn Virginia (TICKER: PVIR) earned $4.00 million, or $0.93 per share, on revenues of $18.41 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.92 million, or $0.51 per share, on revenues of $15.46 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 494

#90227c0197 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Handex Environmental Recovery (TICKER: HAND) earned $2.56 million, or $0.49 per share, on revenues of $23.12 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.71 million, or $0.42 per share, on revenues of $16.12 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 515

#90227c0198 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Continental Savings of America (TICKER: CSAV) earned $690,513, or $0.25 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $198,316, or $0.07 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 440

#90227c0199 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Isomet Corp. (TICKER: IOMT) reporting a net loss of $300,000, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $1.80 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $132,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $1.92 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 481

#90227c0200 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Tocor Inc. (TICKER: TOCR) lost $3.43 million, or $1.19 per share, on revenues of $414,624 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The company began operations in July, 1989, and so has no corresponding profit/loss statement for the quarter that ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 474

#90227c0201 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Associated Communications Corp. (TICKER: ACCM) lost $437,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $8.81 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $1.64 million, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $7.10 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 499

#90227c0203 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Atrix Laboratories (TICKER: ATRX) earned $125,960, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $783,744 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $35,651, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $750,330 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 461
#90227c0204 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Media Logic Inc. (TICKER: TSTM) lost $190,702, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $1.31 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $156,882, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $2.69 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 463
#90227c0205 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mid-America Bancorp (TICKER: MABC) earned $2.47 million, or $0.37 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $2.73 million, or $0.41 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 441
#90227c0206 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Endotronics Inc. (TICKER: ENDO) reporting a loss of $406,220, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $843,944 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $458,447, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $879,558 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 478
#90227c0207 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Suffield Financial Corp. (TICKER: SFCP) lost $2.16 million, or $0.36 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $472,000, or $0.08 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 441
#90227c0208 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Empire State Life Insurance (TICKER: ESLI) lost $131,642, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $611,612 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $320,587, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $615,032 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 482
#90227c0209 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Classified Financial Corp. (TICKER: CLSS) earned $746,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $302,000 and a gain of $266,000 from discontinued operations), or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $12.61 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $210,000 (including an extraordinary loss of $10,000 and a gain of $254,000 from discontinued operations), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $8.99 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 686
#90227c0211 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release on Aug. 15, 1990, KG&E (TICKER: KGE) recommended that its shareholders not tender shares until the Aug. 20 deadline due to the fact that the offer is still subject to several conditions and the offer itself may be extended further.

-30- 482
#90227c0215 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY HAWAII INVESTOR GROUP - ROCK OWNS 294,310 SHARES (7.80%) OF AMERON INC (TICKER: AMN) OF MONTEREY PARK, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 19, 1990 and Aug. 10, 1990, Hawaii Investor Group - Rock purchased 43,000 shares at a price of $42.50 to $46 per share.

-30- 491
#90227c0216 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.W. DOYLE OF 9555 JAMES AVE S, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55431, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,625 SHARES OF TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. THROUGH HAYNE MILLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 19, 1990.

(TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. TEL: 612 545-1000)

-30- 396
#90227c0217 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.S. MURPHY OF 8670 BLACK MAPLE DR, EDEN PRAIRIE, MN 55344, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. THROUGH MARCHE SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 1, 1990.

(TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. TEL: 612 545-1000)

-30- 409
#90227c0218 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WPG CORP DEV ASSOC II LP OF 555 CALIFORNIA ST, SUITE 4760, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF DESTRON IDI INC. (TICKER: DIDIF) THROUGH WEISS PECK & GREER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 9, 1990.

(DESTRON IDI INC. TEL: 303 444-5306)

-30- 445
#90227c0219 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WEISS PECK & GREER VENTURE ASSOC OF 555 CALIFORNIA ST, SUITE 4760, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF DESTRON IDI INC. (TICKER: DIDIF) THROUGH WEISS PECK & GREER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 9, 1990.

(DESTRON IDI INC. TEL: 303 444-5306)

-30- 465
#90227c0220 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY J GRAHAM OF 16293 EAST DORADO PLACE, AURORA, CO 80015, HAS FILED TO SELL 218,241 SHARES OF FOLIAGE PLUS INC. (TICKER: FOLI) THROUGH NATIONAL SECS NETWORK. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(FOLIAGE PLUS INC. TEL: 708 918-0077)

-30- 418
#90227c0222 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALKER DONALD B REV TRUST OF 4666 FARIES PKWY, DECATUR, IL 62525, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND TEL: 217 424-5200)

-30- 446
#90227c0223 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID F MARQUARDT OF 240 CERVANTES, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94123, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(MICROSOFT CORP. TEL: 206 882-8080)

-30- 409
#90227c0224 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES R GLYNN OF 13406 LANDFAIR RD, SAN DIEGO, CA 92130, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,500 SHARES OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(MYCOGEN CORP TEL: 619 453-8030)

-30- 392
#90227c0225 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD A KRENZ OF 6 COUNTRY LANE, WESTPORT, CT 06880, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF OGDEN CORP. (TICKER: OG) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(OGDEN CORP. TEL: 212 868-6100)

-30- 381
#90227c0226 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J RUEHLE OF 501 EAST MIDDLEFIELD, MT VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

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#90227c0227 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL M CLAIR OF 501 E MIDDLEFIELD RD, MT VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 450
#90227c0228 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER S CROSS OF 501 EAST MIDDLEFIELD, MT VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 446
#90227c0230 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD E STEVENSON OF P.O.BOX 1637, HOUSTON, TX 77251, HAS FILED TO

SELL 10,000 SHARES OF STEWART & STEVENSON SERVICES INC (TICKER: SSSS) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(STEWART & STEVENSON SERVICES INC TEL: 713 868-7700)

-30- 442
#90227c0231 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID D TRIPPLE OF 6 WOODBINE RD, BELMONT, MA 02178, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF THE PIONEER GROUP INC. (TICKER: PIOG) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(THE PIONEER GROUP INC. TEL: 617 742-7825)

-30- 411
#90227c0232 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DUKE ANGIER B MEMORIAL INC OF 200 SOUTH TRYON ST, CHARLOTTE, NC 28202, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DUKE POWER CO. (TICKER: DUK) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(DUKE POWER CO. TEL: 704 373-4579)

-30- 425
#90227c0233 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK J VEGA OF 1100 WILSON BLVD, ARLINGTON, VA 22209, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,905 SHARES OF GANNETT CO. (TICKER: GCI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(GANNETT CO. TEL: 703 284-6000)

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#90227c0234 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES C BARNES OF 5413 WIDGEON DR, WELMINGTON, NC 28400, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,500 SHARES OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. (TICKER: FBO) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. TEL: 201 391-1776)

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#90227c0235 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GAYFRYD STEINBERG OF 740 PARK AVE, 0, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,000 SHARES OF RELIANCE GROUP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: REL) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(RELIANCE GROUP HOLDINGS INC. TEL: 212 909-1100)

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#90227c0236 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RON BINO INVESTMENTS LTD OF 2304 EDWIN, FORT WORTH, TX 76110, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,666 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH FIRST WESTERN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

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#90227c0238 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN F BURTON OF 114 TURNPIKE RD, WESTBORO, MA 01581, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF LEGENT CORP. (TICKER: LGNT) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(LEGENT CORP. TEL: 713 734-9494)

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#90227c0239 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEANE HALL OF RT #1, P O BOX 101, HASLET, TX 76052, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,393 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 332-7000)

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#90227c0240 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E KIBBLE OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

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#90227c0241 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL C WHEELER OF 2906 1211 SW 5TH AVE, 0, PORTLAND, OR 97204, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 503 227-5855)

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#90227c0242 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD V SCHMIDT OF 501 EAST MIDDLEFIELD, MT VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

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#90227c0243 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID A BORSHELL OF 12016 WASHINGTON PLACE #109, LOS ANGELES, CA 90066, HAS FILED TO SELL 130,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

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#90227c0244 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A W PIERCE III OF 9395 TRANQUIL ACRES RD, FORT WORTH, TX 76179, HAS FILED TO SELL 55,626 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

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#90227c0246 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALYSE COHEN OF 6 DANTON LANE S, LATTINGTOWN, NY 11560, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,038 SHARES OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 516 674-9847)

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#90227c0247 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES COHEN JR OF 6 DANTON LANE S, LATTINGTOWN, NY 11560, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,900 SHARES OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 516 674-9847)

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#90227c0248 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BLAIR D H & CO INC OF 44 WALL ST, NEW YORK, NY 10005, HAS FILED TO SELL 33,500 SHARES OF WOLF FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: WOFG) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(WOLF FINANCIAL GROUP INC. TEL: 212 635-5666)

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#90227c0249 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS P PLUNKETT OF 3641 TANGLEWOOD DR, ANN ARBOR, MI 48105, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 617 622-1000)

-30- 441
#90227c0250 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VMI FOUNDATION INC OF 100 NE ADAMS ST, PEORIA, IL 61629, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF CATERPILLAR INC. (TICKER: CAT) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(CATERPILLAR INC. TEL: 309 675-1000)

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#90227c0251 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A R BUDDY DIKE OF 301 COMMERCE ST, SUITE 3050, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH DFW CLEARING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 405
#90227c0252 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD E MOORE OF 301 COMMERCE ST, SUITE 3050, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,710 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH DFW CLEARING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

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#90227c0254 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN F NACKLEY OF 15 CRAWFORD ST, NEEDHAM, MA 02194, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(COGNEX CORP. TEL: 617 449-6030)

-30- 388
#90227c0255 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOLLINS BRIAN E TTEE OF 1630 MCCARTHY BLVD, MILPITAS, CA 95035, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 408 942-0810)

-30- 445
#90227c0256 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK T CALLAHAN OF 909 EAST LAS COLINAS BLVD, SUITE 1900, LB-44, IRVING, TX 75039, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII) THROUGH FIDELITY INVESTMENTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 06, 1990.

(GREINER ENGINEERING INC. TEL: 214 869-1001)

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#90227c0257 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALLACE F E KIENAST OF 3986 BLVD CTR DR, JACKSONVILLE, FL 32207, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(KOGER PROPERTIES INC. TEL: 904 396-4811)

-30- 434
#90227c0258 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEIL E RASMUSSEN OF 551 MAIN ST, TOWNSEND, MA 01474, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,957 SHARES OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC) THROUGH JOSEPHTHAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. TEL: 401 789-5735)

-30- 448
#90227c0259 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHLEGER & HARRISON RPT BROBECK OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,500 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 435
#90227c0260 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEROME F SHELDON OF 47 GRANADA WAY, ST LOUIS, MO 63124, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF MEDICINE SHOPPE INTERNATIONAL IN (TICKER: MSII) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(MEDICINE SHOPPE INTERNATIONAL IN TEL: 314 993-6000)

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#90227c0262 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN E BLACKERT OF 45-B NORTH AVE, WEBSTER, NY 14580, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF PHOTOGRAPHIC SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: PSCX) THROUGH D A CAMPBELL CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(PHOTOGRAPHIC SCIENCES CORP. TEL: 716 265-1600)

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#90227c0263 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN C WALSKE OF 147 THORNDIKE ST, BROOKLINE, MA 02146, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,500 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

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#90227c0264 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN C WALSKE OF 147 THORNDIKE ST, BROOKLINE, MA 02146, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

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#90227c0265 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HUTCHESON & CO OF 196 MARLBOROUGH ST, BOSTON, MA 02116, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,500 SHARES OF PICTURETEL CORP. (TICKER: PCTL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(PICTURETEL CORP. TEL: 508 977-9500)

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#90227c0266 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THORHILD MANAGEMENT LTD OF 8800 NW 36TH ST, MIAMI, FL 33178, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,113 SHARES OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX) THROUGH HECTOR M CHISHOLM & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(IVAX CORP. TEL: 305 590-2200)

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#90227c0267 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E WYCOFF OF 1050 GLENOAKS BLVD, PASADENA, CA 91105, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,737 SHARES OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO. (TICKER: ARC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO. TEL: 213 486-1750)

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#90227c0268 08/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - SHAW J CARPENTER 1983 FMLY TR OF 950 PAGE MILL RD, 0, PALO ALTO, CA 94303, HAS FILED TO SELL 38,778 SHARES OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA) THROUGH PERSHING & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(ALZA CORP. TEL: 212 551-6000)

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#90227c0270 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL A LUPO OF 1680 MISSION HILLS RD, 0, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,369 SHARES OF MORGAN PRODUCTS LTD. (TICKER: MGN) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(MORGAN PRODUCTS LTD. TEL: 414 235-7170)

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#90227c0271 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAMBRECHT 1980 REV TRUST OF 1585 CHARLESTON RD, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94039, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,992 SHARES OF ADOBE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ADBE) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(ADOBE SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 961-4400)

-30- 444
#90227c0272 08/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK J HULINGS OF 1800 FIRST CITY TOWER, CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78477, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,000 SHARES OF MARITEK CORP. (TICKER: MRTK) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(MARITEK CORP. TEL: 512 851-2701)

-30- 405
#90227d0180 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (AUG. 15) - Uncompromising stands by the world's major powers are undermining the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

(GATT), Australia's Trade Negotiations Minister Neal Blewett said here Wednesday.

Mr. Blewett told a meeting of foreign correspondents that the final GATT talks scheduled for December were headed for failure because there was no accord on agriculture or market access.

"Unless you have an exercise of political will by the majors in the next few months, you will not get a successful outcome," he predicted.

The Gulf crisis would make it harder for the GATT talks to be successful, Mr. Blewett said.

"The whole Middle East situation ... (is) going to provide a major distraction to world leaders at the very time we need their minds concentrated on getting the Uruguay Round to a successful conclusion," he said.

Failure of the Uruguay Round would result in creeping protectionism, increased trade wars and regional trading blocks, Mr. Blewett said.

The minister said he saw a new hindrance for the GATT progress in what he termed "Euro-arrogance" -- Western Europe's belief that it can afford to snub other continents after the opening up of Eastern Europe.

"On agriculture, my discussions with particularly the French and the European Community commissioners in Brussels were pretty unsatisfactory," Mr. Blewett said. "The Europeans are still seeking to avoid specific disciplines and commitments on export subsidies and market access.

"Japan ... still has a total prohibition in relation to the rice market. It's extremely difficult for us to push for some reform in Europe unless something has been done about that significant and symbolic issue," he said.

Mr. Blewett said a further crisis in agricultural negotiations was likely towards the end of October.

The best hope for more liberal trade was for heightened consumer awareness of the cost of protection, he said.

"We welcome the growing recognition in Japan by consumers of some of the costs of their agricultural protection," the minister said. "We wish ... there was more evidence in Europe of the recognition by European consumers of the cost of the Common Agricultral Policy."

#90227d0190 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (AUG. 15) - Indonesian troops have arrested 11 people suspected of involvement with a separatist group in the country's easternmost province of Irian Jaya, the daily Angkatan Bersenjata (Armed Forces) reported Wednesday.

The newspaper quoted a spokesman for the regional military command as saying that the 11 were believed to be members of a separatist group led by Melkianus (Melky) Salossa, who was extradited from Papua New Guinea last month.

Mr. Salossa's Papua Free Movement has been waging a guerilla war against Jakarta from the jungles along the border between Indonesia's Irian Jaya province and Papua New Guinea.

The 11 arrested were believed to have been involved in the killings in a resettlement area in Arso district in 1988, in the proclamation in December 1988 of a state of West Melanesia, and the murder of plantation workers in Arso in December 1989, the daily said.

The military has enough evidence to bring them to court, it added.

Mr. Salossa, 45, was extradited to Indonesia last month after serving a seven-month jail term in Papua New Guinea for illegal possession of arms.

He was wanted in Indonesia for a series of crimes, including the 1988 Arso massacre, the military here said.

-30- 1419

#90227d0200 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 15) - China has put one billion dollars into agriculture this year in an effort to reverse sagging farm production, but it does not expect to see immediate returns, the China Daily reported Wednesday.

The investment, more than twice last year's, went into projects to improve irrigation, check soil erosion through tree-planting and boost output, especially of grain, cotton and food oils, the official English-language newspaper said.

The billion-dollar program affected only a small part of China's total farmland and was not expected to have a significant effect on overall farm output, according to Li Xuyou, deputy director of the cabinet's Comprehensive Agricultural Development Office.

Mr. Li was quoted as saying food production leveled off beginning in 1984 because the government had directed money and materials to industry at the expense of agriculture.

China imported a record high 16.58 million tons of grain last year after producing 407.05 million tons, about the same as in 1984 despite a population increase of about 15 million people per year.

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#90227d0280 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 15) - Singapore traders with strong business links to the Middle East are worried about piling-up goods and pending payments worth millions of dollars.

"Our business was just picking up after the Iraq-Iran war, (then) the new conflict began," said a spokesman for the Bombay Trading Co. Pte Ltd., which exports food stuffs, building equipment, timber products and spices.

He estimated that canned food worth about half-a-million Singapore dollars (223,000 U.S.) and earmarked for Kuwait was lying in company wharehouses.

"We don't know whether we will ever be able to ship them," said the spokesman who declined to be identified.

About 30 per cent of Bombay Trading's exports worth several million dollars went to Kuwait and Iraq.

The company spokesman said Iraq owed payments for goods already shipped, a total of more than three million U.S. dollars.

Another company said it might lose about a million dollars from undelivered shipments of teak and computer products to the Gulf region.

A worried partner of Zee Chin and Co., Shabbir H. Hassanbhai, said Arab countries were the "traditional business centres" for his firm, and that he was now desperately looking for alternative sources for trade.

Alkemal Singapore Pte Ltd. reported a "complete standstill" in business with the Gulf region.

"Before the conflict some 70 to 80 per cent of our business deals were with these two countries (Iraq and Kuwait) but it has now vanished," said Director Daljit Singh.

Meanwhile, the Arab Business Centre, which facilitates business deals between Singapore and Middle East firms, assured local businessmen that trade with Arab countries, with the exception of Iraq and Kuwait, would not be affected by the present crisis.

Statistics show Singapore's trade with Iraq and Kuwait totaled 1.3 billion

Singapore dollars (726 million U.S.), or less than one per cent of the city-state's total trade last year.

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#90227d0900 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUESSELDORF (AUG. 15) - The West German heavy industrial concern Mannesmann said here Wednesday it posted a first-half surplus of 183 million marks (117 million dollars), slightly better than the 179 marks surplus in the first half of 1989.

Mannesmann said its first-half turnover increased ten per cent to 11.3 billion marks, while new orders slipped by three per cent to some 13 billion marks.

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#90227d0920 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (AUG. 15) - The United States may soon drop North Korea from its list of countries which sponsor terrorism and will open a "hot line" with Pyongyang, press reports said here Wednesday quoting a U.S. official.

The reports quoted Spencer Richardson, the head of the Korea desk at the U.S. State Department, as saying that the measures were being studied by the U.S. government as a way of easing tensions on the peninsula.

The state-run Korea Broadcasting System quoted Mr. Richardson as saying in an interview the "hot line" could be established soon, but the reports did not specify how it would be used.

Washington placed Pyongyang on the list of countries which sponsor terrorism after an agent confessed to blowing up a jetliner on behalf of North Korea.

Pyongyang and Washington have had 11 diplomatic contacts in Beijing since last year, its only form of official contacts. Former senior State Department official Gaston Sigur traveled to Pyongyang last year on a private basis, but met with top officials.

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#90227d0940 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 15) - Chinese crude oil production fell 0.6 per cent to 11.56 million tons (81.2 million barrels) in July, the first year-on-year decline this year, the China Daily reported Wednesday.

Officials blamed heavy rainfall in all major oilfields for the modest drop, the official English-language newspaper said.

Oil production in the first seven months was still on target for the 1990 goal of 137 million tons (958.7 million barrels), standing at 71.71 million tons (501.8 million barrels).

The country produced 137 million tons of oil last year.

The newspaper also reported an increase in coal output of 5.4 per cent to 85.85 million tons in the first seven months of the year and a rise in electricity generation of 6.4 per cent to 349.8 billion kilowatt hours.

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#90227d0960 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (AUG. 15) - Yugoslavia has signed a contract to build a section of motorway 46 kilometres (30 miles) long and costing 69 million dollars, the Yugoslav Tanjug news agency reported on Wednesday.

The contract was signed between the Yugoslav company Ingra and the transport ministry in the Chinese province of Shandung.

The company will build a section of a motorway extending in total for 312 kilometres (195 miles) between the towns of Jinan and Jingdan, and financed by the World Bank, the report said.

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#90227d1020 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 15) - Iraq tried to buy an antidote for nerve gas a few days before its invasion of Kuwait but found no British firm willing to supply, the specialised military publication Jane's Defence Weekly reported Wednesday.

The Iraqis contacted at least one British firm and "probably several" in their search for the antidote. After encountering no success in Britain, the Iraqis moved on to West Germany, Jane's said.

The weekly said the Iraqis were looking for Nerve Agent Preparation Sets which are handed out to soldiers as part of their protection gear against chemical weapons.

The sets include pills which if taken before exposure to the gas, will neutralise its effects.

Jane's said Iraq had also tried in Sweden to obtain another kind of antidote which could be injected after exposure to nerve gas.

The move was "another indicator that the invasion and annexation of Kuwait

was a pre-planned operation," Jane's said.

-30- 1145
#90227d1190 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRAGUE (AUG. 15) - The Czechoslovak embassy in occupied Kuwait is to be closed down as a ''temporary measure'', a spokesman for the foreign ministry announced here Wednesday. The closure will come into effect August 23.

Embassy officials and other Czechoslovak citizens are to be evacuated from Kuwait, said a spokesman. An initial group left Baghdad for Amman Tuesday and another was scheduled to follow Wednesday, he added.

The spokesman said it had not yet been decided how long the 350 or so Czechoslovak experts on long-term secondments to Iraq would remain inside the country.

The state-run Ctk news agency reported that Prague was seeking the repayment by Baghdad of payments totalling 300 million dollars. Exports from Czechoslovakia to Iraq had largely consisted of tailor-made industrial plant such as oil refineries.

Meanwhile, in Vienna, the Austrian Foreign Ministry announced that it would not close its embassy in Kuwait since it ''regarded the annexation by Iraq as null and void''. It was, however, considering a withdrawal of embassy personnel.

-30- 1281
#90227d1310 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 15) - British group Imperial Chemical Industries (ICI) said Wednesday it had sold its 24.9 per cent stake in Enterprise Oil for 679.6 million pounds (1.29 billion dollars).

The shares were bought in the names of brokers Warburg and Cazenove at a price of 607 pence each, but the name of the principal buyer or buyers was not given.

ICI said that the proceeds of the sale would be used to reduce borrowings and to develop the company.

Enterprise Oil has for long been the subject of rumours about a possible takeover bid.

In May several newspapers suggested that the French state-controlled but stock market-listed oil company Elf Aquitaine, which held 25 per cent of the firm, might make a bid, but Elf denied this.

The British government privatised Enterprise Oil in 1984. In 1989 the company reported an increase in net profits of 57 per cent compared with 1989 to 115.6 million pounds (219 million dollars).

After the announcement on Wednesday ICI shares rose eight pence to 953 pence and shares in Enterprise Oil fell by 52 pence to 621 pence.

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#90227d1370 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 15) - Armenian President Levon Ter-Petrossian has denied press reports of plans for direct talks on ethnic rivalry in the region with leaders of the neighbouring Soviet republics Azerbaijan and Georgia.

Before the Armenian parliament Tuesday, Mr. Ter-Petrossian said the Soviet news agency TASS reports Monday were based on "wrong information".

According to TASS and the communist party newspaper Pravda Monday, the leaders were planning to meet in Tbilisi, the Georgian capital, on the initiative of Georgian President Givi Gumbaridze for the first direct talks since the beginning of ethnic clashes over two years ago.

They had agreed to discuss "vital issues of inter-republican ties", Pravda said, describing the move as "a major step towards direct political economic and cultural ties".

No date for the meeting was given.

Ethnic unrest in the area is concentrated in the Azerbaijani autonomous region Nagorny Karabakh, populated largely by Armenians who want the region to join with Armenia.

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#90227d1400 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 15) - The Princess of Wales, Lady Diana, has postponed an official visit to Pakistan following the dissolution of Pakistan's National Assembly, Buckingham Palace said in London Wednesday.

The visit, on the invitation of Pakistan's then prime minister, Benazir Bhutto, was due to take place from September 17 to 20. The visit had been postponed on mutual agreement, the palace said.

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#90227d1410 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 15) - Western world stocks of aluminium in all forms

(including scrap) were 68,000 tonnes lower at the end of June than at the end of March, the International Primary Aluminium Institute (IPAI) said Wednesday.

Stocks totalled 3.122 million tonnes at the end of June against a revised figure of 3.19 million tonnes at the end of March.

They were also 70,000 tonnes lower than at the end of June 1989, when they totalled 3.192 million tonnes.

Western unwrought aluminium stocks were 1.485 million tonnes at the end of June, down 67,000 tonnes from the end of March (revised at 1.552 million tonnes) and down 25,000 tonnes from June 1989 (1.510 million tonnes).

Average daily production of aluminium in June was 38,700 tonnes, up 100 tonnes from March (38,600 tonnes) and unchanged from June last year.

Total production in June was 1.16 million tonnes, down 38,000 tonnes from March (1.198 million tonnes) and 1,000 tonnes from June 1989 (1.161 million tonnes).

Details of aluminium stocks per area, in thousands of tonnes:

Area June 1990 March 1990 June 1989

UnwroughtTotal UnwroughtTotal UnwroughtTotal

Africa 18 50 25 58 26 56

North America 560 1554 571 1536 587 1652

Latin America 162 220 147 220 117 170

EastSth Asia 103 121 112 130 96 118

Europe 546 1017 583 1066 584 1032

Oceania 96 160 114 180 100 164

TOTAL 1485 3122 1552 3190 1510 3192

Aluminium production per area, in thousands of tonnes:

Area June 1990 March 1990 June 1989

Africa 49 51 49

North America 459 477 464

Latin America 143 142 142

EastSth Asia 91 96 88

Europe 295 305 294

Oceania 123 127 124

TOTAL 1160 1198 1161

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#90227d1420 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GENEVA (AUG. 15) - The International Committee of the Red Cross (Icrc) said it noted ''with pleasure'' Wednesday a proposal by Iraq for an immediate exchange of prisoners-of-war with its former Gulf war foe Iran.

A spokesman said the Icrc had not been contacted directly about the measure, announced by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein a few hours earlier as part of a major initiative offering reconciliation to Teheran.

According to Icrc estimates, around 70,000 Iraqis and 30,000 Iranians are still interned in Pow camps two years after a ceasefire halted the eight-year Gulf war in August 1988.

Since the cessation of hostilities, the two sides have exchanged a total of only 2,312 Pows under Red Cross auspices.

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#90227d1430 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HONG KONG (AUG. 15) - The Hong Kong government Wednesday awarded the first works contract for its proposed new airport to a Chinese state-owned company, at a time when Beijing has not yet given its blessing to the mammoth project.

The 20-month, 26 million U.S. dollar contract for marine dredging work was given to China Harbours Engineering Co.

"The choice of China Harbours is a pure commercial decision," a government engineering official said. "It is not meant to please Beijing."

The official said the firm had offered the cheapest price in its tender, and its branch here had become "well established" since the early 1980's.

China, which is to take over this British colony in 1997, has voiced suspicion over the 16.3 billion U.S. dollar airport-cum-port development

off an outlying island here, as the scheme's financing would stretch way beyond 1997.

The project's backers feared lack of Chinese support could put off international bankers.

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#90227d1450 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (AUG. 15) - Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy arrived here Wednesday from Bonn on a one-day visit for talks on developments in the Gulf, officials said.

Mr. Levy was to meet his Italian counterpart Gianni De Michelis.

The Gulf situation in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and Israel's relations with the European Community will dominate the foreign ministers' discussions, officials said.

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#90227d1490 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 15) - Iraq should take the initiative by producing a plan to lighten the atmosphere in the Gulf and save face for all concerned, King Hassan of Morocco suggested Wednesday in an interview with the French paper Le Monde.

"Let us defuse this bomb" the king urged, proposing that President Saddam Hussein mandate some Arab countries for the task.

"Any initiative must now come from him", and a "wise decision" would help Iraq's friends who were willing to translate any peace moves into reality.

King Hassan said he envisaged a "particular status" between Iraq and Kuwait, guaranteed by Arab countries and the U.N. Security Council Any solution to Iraq's occupation of Kuwait would have to be legitimised by a return to the status quo ante, the king stressed.

He said Morocco's "symbolic" contingent of 1, 200 troops sent to Saudi Arabia signalled its "refusal to accept the fait accompli and illegality".

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#90227d1620 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 15) - Foreign creditor banks have taken a dim view of a novel Philippine government proposal to ease its debt burden in the wake of a devastating earthquake, Central Bank Governor Jose Cuisia said Wednesday.

He told reporters that he and Finance Secretary Jesus Estanislao met with Manila's creditor banks in the United States and Japan earlier this month and sounded them out on an "interim conservation measure" to help the country recover from the July 16 temblor.

The proposal involves putting foreign debt payments in a Central Bank account to be lent back to the Philippines after a certain period, he said.

The country's foreign debt stood at 26.15 dollars by end-April.

Asked about the reaction from the banks, Mr. Cuisia said they warned the Philippines about the "disastrous effects" the proposal would have on Manila's request for additional financing.

"We have to consider that the banks are not dealing only with the Philippines. They are also dealing with other countries which are also heavily indebted. If we do that, of course the other countries can also ask for the same thing," he added.

"It's very difficult for them to say yes to us and no to other countries," he added.

The government announced earlier this week that the country's commercial creditors had extended a three billion-dollar trade facility.

No details were immediately available from official sources, but press reports said the commercial banks extended the revolving trade facility by one more year to mid-1992 and agreed to hasten the release of a new money package totalling 116 million dollars.

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#90227d1640 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA (AUG. 15) - Food rationing has been introduced in several Bulgarian cities, and the capital Sofia is to join the list from September 1, the BTA news agency said Wednesday.

It quoted Trade and Services Minister Ekaterina Marinova as saying sugar would be rationed in Sofia from the beginning of next month, and said the city authorities could add other items to the list if necessary.

Sugar, cooking oil and detergent have been rationed in most of the country's major cities in recent weeks, BTA said, but in many cases the ration cards are useless as the products are totally unavailable.

The ruling socialist party newspaper, Douma, has said that if food is not imported, there will be no supplies of basic necessities available in the

autumn.

In a bid to draw the authorities' attention to the seriousness of the problem, the independent trades union Podkrepa on Monday organised the first soup kitchen in Sofia since the end of World War II.

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#90227d1670 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 15) - A general strike has been called in the occupied territories on Wednesday to protest against the U.S. presence in Saudi Arabia, Palestinian sources said.

The call was made by the Hammas Islamic resistance movement.

Several demonstrations in support of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein have been held in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip during the last few days.

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#90227d1720 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (AUG. 15) - Deposed premier Benazir Bhutto and her family are free to leave Pakistan, the man who replaced her said.

Announcing this, caretaker premier Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi said here Wednesday, ''I am told her children are being sent abroad.''

Bhutto has refused to go into political exile, but many observers thought concern for her two small children might force her to change her mind.

Her mother, Nusrat, reached London Sunday and her husband, Asif Zardari, is planning to leave shortly. Bhutto adversaries are calling for the prosecution of Asif on corruption charges.

Jatoi rejected Bhutto's charge that immigration authorities had been instructed to prevent members of her Pakistan People's Party (Ppp) from leaving the country.

However he said only a few ''politically unknown persons'' have been stopped from leaving the country, pending investigations against them. Several were believed to be Asif Zardari's business associates.

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#90227d1730 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (AUG. 15) - Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan Wednesday fired a controversial member of his six-party coalition government after the deputy minister refused to resign over bribery allegations.

Deputy Interior Minister Santi Chaivirattana is accused of taking a one million-baht (40,000-dollar) bribe from two businessmen in exchange for easing safety regulations in the building of new liquefied petroleum gas stations.

Mr. Santi, a member of the Social Action Party (SAP), denies the charges.

He is the first minister to be sacked from Mr. Chatichai's government, which is halfway through its four-year term.

Only hours before his dismissal, he had been threatening to expose other cabinet colleagues he claimed were corrupt.

He has also said that SAP leaders had ordered its ministers in the cabinet to find 500 million baht (20 million dollars) for party coffers, inferring that such a demand was tantamount to ordering them to accept bribes to find the money.

The sacking came amid widespread reports of corruption in the government.

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#90227d1760 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (AUG. 15) - Motorists in the Nepalese capital began a run on petrol and kerosene Wednesday, fearing a shortage of petroleum products as a result of the Gulf crisis.

Long queues of cars began forming at the city's approximately dozen petrol stations early in the morning. By noon, the queues were several miles long.

One petrol pump attendant said he had sold about 10,000 litres of petrol by noon, at least four times his normal sales volume.

The rush was equally great for kerosene, the main cooking fuel in Kathmandu valley.

The petroleum products scare has been fuelled by events in the Gulf area and by reports that there is acute shortage of these products in India

According to the Nepal Oil Corporation, there is no connection between the scarcity of supplies in India and the availability of these products in Nepal.

The corporation noted that Nepal's total demand for petroleum products is only about 200,000 tonnes and these are imported from third countries and delivered to the Indian Oil Corporation.

The Indian Oil Corporation in turn delivers the same amount of petroleum products from their depots along the Nepal-India border.

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#90227d1770 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 15) - Foreign Affairs Secretary Raul Manglapus said Wednesday the United States should not use Clark and Subic bases for combat operations in the Middle East.

But Manglapus stressed that there was no indication the U.S. intended to use the bases for this purpose ''because they (the Americans) have not gone to us for consultation''.

The Philippine-U.S. military bases agreement, which expires in September 1991, provides consultations be made between the two countries before the U.S. can use the bases, Manglapus explained.

Manglapus said the bases currently serve as refueling stations for American aircraft and warships.

''Refueling is not combat,'' he said. ''They are refueling there every day. That's part of the reason why they are there in the first place.''

Manglapus also said that the Philippines is seeking United Nations help in repatriating thousands of Filipino workers from the crisis area. The Philippines has nearly 200,000 workers in Kuwait, Iraq and Saudi Arabia.

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#90227d1920 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 15) - Malaysia's crude palm oil output rose 9.8 percent to 499,010 tons in July from 454,334 tons in June, early figures from the Palm Oil Registration and Licensing Authority showed Wednesday.

The authority said total palm oil stocks, comprising 437,234 tons of crude palm oil and 346,650 tons of processed oil, rose 3.5 percent to 852,224 tons from 823,120 tons.

Malaysia exported 486,605 tons of palm oil in July, up 8.8 percent from 447,093 tons in June.

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#90227d1930 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 15) - Japan's direct investment in the European Economic Community (EEC) soared 68 percent from a year earlier to 14 billion dollars in the 12 months to March, the Export-Import Bank of Japan said.

The surge outpaced a 33 percent jump to 8.33 billion dollars the previous year and focussed on Britain and the Netherlands, historically the biggest recipents and accounting for more than two thirds of the total.

Japanese investment in Britain jumped from 3.96 billion dollars to 5.24 billion dollars while investment in the Netherlands climbed from 2.36 billion dollars to 4.55 billion dollars, the bank said in a monthly report Tuesday.

Investment in France rose from 463 million dollars to 1.14 billion dollars and West Germany's share rose from 409 million dollars to 1.08 billion dollars.

Britain and the Netherlands were also the biggest recipents of Japanese manufacturing investment, accounting for 1.17 billion dollars and 572 million dollars.

West Germany ranked third with 530 million dollars, ahead of France which accounted for 305 million dollars, the report said.

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#90227d1940 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 15) - Toyota Motor Co. was the largest income earner among Japanese companies which closed annual accounts last year, a private credit research institute said Wednesday.

Toyota, the top automaker, earned a taxable income of 573.3 billion yen (3.82 billion dollars) in the year ended June 1989, Teikoku Databank Ltd. said.

Nomura Securities Co., the largest stockbroking firm, was second in the income list, reporting 500.8 billion yen (3.34 billion dollars) for the year ended March 1989, it said.

Telecommunications giant, Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp. (NTT), was the third largest income earner, with 497.4 billion yen (3.32 billion dollars) also for the year ended March, the institute said.

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#90227d1950 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 15) - Southeast Asian airlines are worried that the formation of a single European market in 1993 will lead to restrictions on non-European carriers, a senior Malaysian Airlines (MAS) official said Wednesday.

The airlines want an assurance from the European Economic Community that this will not happen, MAS managing director Abdul Aziz Rahman said.

He said chief executives from the carriers within the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) plan to meet with senior officials from the EEC's Competition and Transport Directorates in the near future.

They will exchange views, seek clarification of present developments and an assurance that they will not be hurt by the formation of a single market, he said in a statement.

ASEAN groups Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

Mr. Abdul Aziz said a meeting of the airline chief executive officers here Tuesday agreed there were uncertainties surrounding the direction of the EEC's external aviation policy after the creation of a single European market.

He said an ASEAN Airlines Working Group had been set up with representatives from MAS, Garuda of Indonesia, Thai International, Royal Brunei, Philippine Airlines and Singapore Airlines to monitor developments in the EEC.

Mr. Abdul Aziz said the officers hoped the formation of the single European market would in fact help to stimulate and strengthen the growth of air traffic between ASEAN and Europe.

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#90227d2060 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 15) - Moscow is currently evacuating Soviet women and children from Iraq, but men have not been given permission to leave, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said here Wednesday.

"From Iraq, under conditions set by Iraqi authorities, only women and children can be evacuated at this time," Yuri Gremytskikh told a news briefing.

"I wouldn't use the word hostage at this stage of development," the spokesman told reporters when asked whether Soviet men were being held in Iraq against their will.

"You can compare our situation with that of citizens from western countries who are not being allowed to leave Iraq," Mr. Gremytskikh added.

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#90227d2090 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (AUG. 15) - The departure for Saudi Arabia of a second contingent of Egyptian troops, expected to have taken place late Tuesday, has been delayed, reliable sources said here Wednesday.

No immediate reasons for the delay were given.

The troops were to join an estimated 3,000 Egyptian soldiers already in Saudi Arabia as part of an Arab force to protect the kingdom against attack from the Iraqi army, which invaded Kuwait on August 2.

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#90227d2120 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANDA ACEH, INDONESIA (AUG. 15) - Indonesia has doubled its military presence in the westernmost province of Aceh over the past month in a bid to quash an armed rebellion against the central government, military sources here said.

The uprising on the northern tip of the island of Sumatra, about 2,000 kilometers (1,250 miles) northwest of here, is also directed against Javanese interests, the sources said.

They said 6,000 troops were stationed this week in the strongly Moslem province, compared to 3,000 in mid-July.

An airborne battallion of 600 men was parachuted Sunday into the districts of Northern and Eastern Aceh and Pidie, the center of the three-month old rebellion that has claimed more than 100 lives, they said.

A few days earlier, 300 marines and about 100 men from a mobile brigade based in Surabaya, Eastern Java, were sent to Sigli, the capital of Pidie where, officials say, the uprising is the work of "about 30 criminals at the most."

The airborne batallion headquartered in Bogor, 60 kolometres (38 miles) south of here, is commanded by Colonel Prabowo, who gained prominence fighting against the East Timor Liberation Front, FRETILIN, at the other end of the Indonesian archipelago.

Col. Prabowo is also President Suharto's son-in-law.

The troop buildup and the latest military operations came days before Indonesia's 45th Independence Day celebrations, which the rebels have asked the local population to boycott.

Tracts signed by the Aceh Sumatra National Liberation Front (ASNLF) over the past few weeks urge all inhabitants of the province, including

schoolchildren and teachers, to stay away from Friday's celebrations.

They were the latest in a series of flyers distributed by the ASNFL, which last month claimed responsibility for a number of anti-government operations, including the assassinations of military men and Javanese living in Aceh.

Military sources said that early last week, the GPK -- the local acronym for "security-disturbing movements," as secessionists throughout Indonesia are officially called -- shot two people dead in a camp for Javanese emigrants.

The army arrested 39 locals the next day, and their fate remained unknown one week later.

On August 8, two civilians were shot dead in their home in a village in Pidie as they watched television, and the army shot and killed a suspected militant Saturday in the center of Banda Aceh, the sources said.

Diplomats in Jakarta say many embassies have asked their nationals to evacuate Aceh, in particular the region of Lhokseumawe, one of Indonesia's two major oil and natural gas producing regions.

The diplomats explained that ASNFL militants had extended their threats against government-employed Indonesians to "foreigners working for the Indonesian government and for well-known Javanese firms."

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#90227d2190 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (AUG. 15) - A week after closing Iraq's oil pipeline to the Mediterranean, Turkey has reinforced its defense of the Ataturk Dam, which Iraq has strongly criticized as depriving it of water, sources said Wednesday.

The sources said Rapier ground-to-air missiles had been added to existing anti-aircraft batteries at the dam on the Euphrates River, 400 kilometers (300 miles) from the Iraqi border.

Turkish officials refused to confirm this, saying only that the region -- southeast Anatolia -- was not on a state of alert.

The dam, the largest component of a regional irrigation plan that will total 22 dams and 19 hydroelectric plants, has been the focus of a dispute between Iraq and Turkey.

A top Iraqi official, on a visit to Ankara four days after Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait to warn Turkey against enforcing trade sanctions,

suggested that if Turkey cooperated, the water dispute could be settled amicably.

Turkey nonetheless closed down the twin pipeline to the Mediterranean through which more than half of Iraq's oil was exported.

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#90227d2330 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 15) - British hotel chain Queens Moat on Wednesday announced a 64 percent interim profit hike and said it had acquired a 49 percent stake in French company HI Management for 30 million pounds (56 million dollars).

Queens Moat said it had taken an option on the remaining 41 percent of HI Management for 48 million pounds (90 million dollars), payable in April 1993.

HI Management has eight hotels in France, seven of them operating under the Holiday Inn name, and two Ramada hotels in Belgium, with a total 1,742 rooms.

Queens Moat, which has 175 hotels in six European countries with more than 20,000 rooms, said the move gave it a foothold in France and boosted its presence in Belgium.

The British company also announced Wednesday that its taxable profit rose 64 percent in the first half of this year over the same period of 1989 to 39.5 million pounds (74 million dollars) from 24.03 million (45.3 million dollars).

Turnover was up 40 percent to 207.6 million pounds (391 million dollars) from 148.2 million (279 million dollars), and interim dividend was up to 1.22 pence from 1.06.

The results included figures from Norfolk Capital Hotels since its acquisition by Queens Moat four months ago.

The good performance failed to impress the stock market, however, and Queens Moat shares were down one penny at 95 pence after the news.

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#90227d2340 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AQABA, JORDAN (AUG. 15) - Journalists were forced to watch from afar Wednesday as a ship unloaded its cargo at this Red Sea port before swiftly moving out to make way for one of three more ships waiting offshore.

Correspondents who have descended on Aqaba since reports that Jordan was keeping the port open for supplies reaching Iraq were barred from entering the port complex which under normal circumstances is accessible with no problem.

The ship which unloaded was too far away to be identified.

Port officials and workers refused to answer questions about ship or cargo movements and many local people openly suspicious of Westerners made it their business to report journalists' movements to the police.

The lay-out of the port area which comprises the ancient harbour, a container port and passenger terminal, makes it impossible for journalists outside to get in close enough to identify any ships.

But on the Humayma al-Jadida road linking Aqaba to Baghdad dozens of trucks with Iraqi licence plates could be seen, probably bound for the Iraqi-Jordanian border 1,000 kilometers (600 miles) to the north.

Visitors who were there on Tuesday said hundreds of other vehicles, of between 30 and 60 tonnes, were seen carrying machine tools, pipes, bags of grain and closed metal and wooden containers.

Iraq, which is largely dependent on foreign food purchases, has turned to Aqaba for its imports in the hope of beating international economic sanctions imposed to punish Iraq for its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

U.S. President George Bush, who spearheaded efforts which resulted in the August 6 U.N. Security Council trade and arms embargo resolution on Iraq, is now seeking to enforce these sanctions which cover food shipments though exclude medicines.

Mr. Bush was expected to discuss the Aqaba port situation during talks at his vacation home in the state of Maine Thursday with King Hussein of Jordan.

On Tuesday, the American president told a White House press conference that, if Aqaba was a "hole through which commerce flows" to and from Iraq, "I would certainly think that Aqaba should be closed to Iraqi commerce."

He refused however to comment on reports that Iraqi-bound shipments continued to arrive at Aqaba.

Mr. Bush said he would question the Jordanian monarch on "what is happening".

According to reports in Amman the Jordanian monarch is taking a message to President Bush from his Iraqi counterpart Saddam Hussein, with whom the

king had talks on Monday.

Jordan's Crown Prince Hassan has said that Amman was committed to the Security Council sanctions but he said that under the terms of the U.N. charter each country had 30 days to formulate its position.

He said the charter stipulated "compensation for countries" harmed financially through their endorsement of sanctions adding that prospects for Jordan -- which relies heavily on the Iraqi market to sell its goods and obtains 95 percent of its oil needs from Baghdad -- were not good.

Aqaba Port director Awad Tell Wednesday told reporters that only food supplies, including milk, were being unloaded here for Iraq and that no export of Iraqi oil through the port was expected.

He added that he had not received to date any instruction from the Jordanian government to implement the U.N. sanctions.

Mr. Tell said however that traffic at the port was "slightly inferior to what it was over the same period last year."

Twelve boats were currently at the port to load or unload while 10 to 15 others were expected. Some were late in arriving, but he could not say if this was linked to the sanctions or to the presence of U.S. warships in the Gulf region.

Mr. Tell also denied reports that Jordanian police had intervened to allow a Norwegian boat to unload cereals destined for Iraq.

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#90227d2380 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 15) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev restored Soviet citizenship Wednesday to all dissidents deprived of it between 1966 and 1988, including Nobel literature prize-winner Alexander Solzhenitsyn who wrote "The Gulag Archipelago" exposing the prison system.

The decision was seen as an attempt by the Soviet leadership to close one of the dark chapters of the past. On Monday, Mr. Gorbachev published a decree rehabilitating victims of repression by Stalin between 1920 and 1950.

During the so-called period of stagnation, the administration headed by Leonid Brezhnev deprived many dissidents of citizenship on the pretext that they had carried out anti-Soviet activities.

In recent months, the Soviet authorities had acted several times on citizenship, but in particular cases, notably in favour of cellist Mstislav

Rostropovich and his wife Galina Vishnevskaya.

On June 30 restitution was made of Soviet nationality to writers Alexander Zinoviev and Vladimir Maximov, and to biologist Jaures Medvedev.

Mr. Gorbachev, who has the constitutional right to restore nationality, on Wednesday published a decree cancelling all decisions by the presidium of the Supreme Soviet depriving people opposed to the government between 1966 and 1988 of their citizenship.

During the period concerned, the Supreme Soviet represented the collective state leadership

"In a further move to do away with injustices committed against Soviet nationals who lost their citizenship between 1966 and 1988, the Soviet president annuls the decrees taken by the presidium of the Supreme Soviet concerning Soviet citizens deprived of their citizenship and currently living abroad," the Soviet Tass news agency reported.

"The Soviet Foreign Ministry is responsible for communicating the Soviet president's decision to the persons concerned," Tass said.

The decree does not apparently apply to thousands of Soviet Jews who, under current Soviet law, automatically lost their citizenship when they emigrated in recent years, observers said.

A spokesman of the Supreme Soviet, or parliament, questioned on the choice of dates of application, replied that they corresponded to the period during which the law enabling the leadership to remove citizenship was applied.

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#90227d2430 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (AUG. 15) - Pakistan is to introduce a new murder law based on the Islamic principles of revenge and compensation, overturning its century-old legal system inherited from the country's former British colonial rulers.

Under a decree issued Tuesday by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, a murderer can now be freed if the victim's relatives agree to receive "blood money" in compensation for the death.

The new decree also bars the country's head of state or a provincial chief from granting clemency to murderers without the consent of the victim's family.

The new legislation would replace the provisions on murder and attempted

murder in the 1898 criminal penal code Pakistan inherited from the subcontinent's former colonial masters.

Under the decree, murder would be a compoundable offence, which means rival parties can reach an out-of-court settlement at the trial stage.

The amended law, which would have to be endorsed by a future legislature due to be elected in October, has been enforced with immediate effect.

It comes one week after Mr. Ishaq Khan sacked Pakistan's first woman prime minister, Benazir Bhutto, and her government and dissolved the national and provincial assemblies on charges of corruption and inefficiency.

In his order dissolving the government, he said new elections would be held on October 24.

The new murder law was introduced following a recent Supreme Court ruling, which called for the Koranic principles of Qisas (revenge) and Diyat (blood money) to be incorporated into the country's legal system.

Under Qisas, a victim or his heirs have the right to inflict the same injury on the offender, while Diyat allows a murderer to be freed if the victim's heirs agree to take blood money.

The decree withdraws the right of a president or provincial governor to grant mercy to a convicted murderer sentenced to death.

In line, with Islamic law, the president's decree rules that "remission or commutation of sentences cannot be carried out without the consent of the victim or as the case may be his heirs."

If the victim's relatives will not accept money as compensation, they can invoke the Islamic law of revenge, legal sources said.

The sources said they did not expect criticism of the law from rival Moslem sects, as it offers poor family members compensation for the death of a bread-winner as well as allowing rich murderers to escape the death penalty.

The decree follows a Federal Shariah Court decision calling on the government to implement Islamic punishment for murder cases, press reports said.

The court, set up by late military ruler Mohammed Zia ul-Haq in 1980 to implement an Islamic judicial system, made the ruling on a petition filed by a convict who agreed compensation with the family of a murder victim.

In 1982, the country's High Court rejected the deal, ruling that murder was

not a compoundable offence.

However, the Shariah court allowed him relief under the religious laws.

Ms. Bhutto's government petitioned the Supreme Court to overturn the ruling, newspapers said. However, the court resented what it saw as delaying tactics.

"We want to know the reason of the prolonged delay in making the legislation," chief justice Afzal Zullah said last week.

He said this was a "very important and serious issue," adding that the public wanted to know whether Islamic laws would be implemented or not.

Justice Zullah asked the government to take immediate steps to promulgate the Islamic law to show his commitment to the move, The Muslim daily said.

The decree was issued shortly after newly appointed Attorney General Aziz Munshi told the court that the government wanted Shariah (Islamic law) to be enforced as soon as possible.

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#90227d2480 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (AUG. 15) - The number of jobless in Poland has more than doubled in two and a half months, from 317,000 mid-May to 700,000 or 3.8 percent of the working population at the end of July, according to figures released here Wednesday.

The number of jobless is rising faster than forecast by the government as the effects of a transition to a market economy begin to be felt.

Warsaw had been expecting unemployment to reach only 400,000 by the end of the year, although the International Monetary Fund (IMF) is putting forward a figure of 1.5 million.

The central statistical office is expecting a steep increase in the number of jobless from September as loss-making state enterprises close down and hundreds of thousands of school and college leavers come onto the labor market.

The central statistical office also said Wednesday that industrial production in July was down 18.4 percent over the same month last year, but that this was an improvement on the June showing when it fell 30 percent.

Inflation stood at 3.6 percent in July over the June level, below expectations.

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#90227d2560 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MADRID (AUG. 15) - Policemen combed railway lines across Spain Wednesday following a bomb blast which marked the start of a fresh terror campaign by the Basque separatist organisation ETA, the interior ministry said.

Several hundred police checked some 1,855 kilometres (1,150 miles) of track on three principal lines between the capital Madrid and Seville, Barcelona and Gijon.

The move followed the explosion Tuesday of a three kilogramme (6.6 pound) bomb which slightly damaged the track between Leon and Gijon, after the ETA said Monday it would carry out a railway offensive between August 14 and 27.

Some 34 daily services which normally run on the targetted lines were cancelled from midday Tuesday, while passengers were transported by bus.

It is the fifth time ETA has launched a campaign of terror on Spain's railway lines, however none has claimed victims.

Previous attacks occurred in August 1988, April, May and November 1989.

Meanwhile, San Sebastian, in the heart of the Basque region of north-eastern Spain, was the scene of a number of suspected nationalist-inspired incidents Wednesday.

Basque nationalist demonstrators clashed with authorities following an Assumption Day procession, while a French-registered Renault 5, and three lorries used in the construction of an ETA-opposed motorway between the Basque province of Guipuzcoa and Navarra, were damaged in an arson attack.

A two-kilogramme (4.4 pound) device attached to a police car failed to explode, falling from underneath the car as it pulled away.

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#90227d2640 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (AUG. 15) - Libyan leader Colonel Moamer Kadhafi Wednesday called for a meeting of the United Nations Security Council in Geneva to avoid "catastrophe" in the Gulf.

Col. Kadhafi, in a dispatch received here from the JANA news agency, also argued that no single member of the United Nations had the right to apply sanctions on its own, an allusion to a decision by Britain and the United States to interdict vessels carrying goods to and from Iraq.

The Libyan leader said he sought a Security Council meeting in Geneva "to allow certain Arab leaders and others to express themselves."

The Council agreed to meet in Geneva last May to hear Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat, who had been refused a visa by the United States to address the body at U.N. headquarters in New York.

"As a member of the United Nations we accept all that is approved by the organization and we reject all efforts by individual member states to impose their hegemony," Col. Kadhafi said, in reference to the deployment of U.S. air, ground and naval forces in the Gulf.

"No state has the right to apply sanctions and to act in the name of the United Nations," he insisted. "Any appeal for a (military) presence or any other action in the Gulf can only come from the Security Council."

Any force now operating in the region outside the framework of the United Nations must be considered "a colonialist invasion force and must be resisted."

An eight-nation Western armada to enforce a United Nations-backed trade embargo on Iraq and Kuwait is expected to exceed 60 ships within two weeks.

"It's for this reason that I have called for such a meeting (of the Security Council) to clarify the situation and spare the world a useless catastrophe," Col. Kadhafi said.

Libya voted against an Arab League summit resolution last Friday that condemned the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and called for the deployment of Arab forces in Saudi Arabia to protect the kingdom against possible attack by Iraq.

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#90227d2650 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 15) - Pakistan's army chief, General Mirza Aslam Beg, was quoted Wednesday as saying that Pakistani troops going to Saudi Arabia were not meant to break Iraq's military might.

''We do not want Iraq's military might to be destroyed or weakened because that would weaken the Ummah (Islamic nation)'', the general was quoted by Pakistan Press International (Ppi) as saying.

He added that Pakistan wanted to see the Gulf crisis resolved ''through a dialogue in accordance with the demands of justice.''

In an apparent reply to domestic criticism that sending 5,000 Pakistani troops to Saudi Arabia would weaken the defences of the half million-strong

Pakistan Army against rival India, he said,''We can call up the reservists and raise an army of another 700,000 within a week.''

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#90227d2680 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (AUG. 15) - Namibia has provided facilities on its territory for Angolan troops, and a major government offensive in southern Angola "is imminent," the rebel movement UNITA said here Wednesday.

It said the defence ministers of the two countries signed the facilities agreement, which covers logistics support, late in May.

Since the end of June, the Angolans had established a forward command post for the southern front at Ondjiva, the capital of Cunene province close to the border with Namibia, and combat vehicles were heading to nearby Xangongo, a communique issued by rebel chief of staff Arlindo Pena said.

It warned the Luanda authorities that UNITA (National Union for the Total Independence of Angola) would be "in no way responsible for the unforeseeable consequences of this new military escalation."

Both sides have been urging each other to commit themselves to a resumption of peace talks in the near future, following two rounds of direct negotiations in Portugal in April and June.

The talks to end the 15-year civil war have stalled over UNlTA's insistence on being recognised as an opposition party, and on disagreement on conditions for a ceasefire.

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#90227d2740 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 15) - The West German Foreign Ministry Wednesday lashed out at Baghdad for preventing Westerners and other foreigners from leaving Iraq and Iraqi-annexed Kuwait.

Spokesman Juergen Chrobog described this policy as ''a breach of international law'', but he stopped short of calling foreigners in both Gulf states hostages.

He accused Iraq of acts of terror and violence, and said Baghdad was responsible for the well-being of all Germans living in Iraq and Kuwait.

Chrobog said the Iraqi charge d'affaires in Bonn had so faar failed to give an explanation for the policy of his government, and Iraq did not react to protests voiced by West Germany and the other eleven European Community (E.C.) member states.

The spokesman said about 600 West Germans lived in Iraq and 350 in Kuwait. The West German embassies in both countries were in regular contact with them and had advised them to leave their homes only if necessary.

He said eight West Germans were taken from Kuwait to a Baghdad hotel. All West Germans were free to move around in Baghdad and Kuwait City, where food supplies were becoming increasingly scarce.

Chrobog pointed out that the E.C. states rejected last Tuesday an Iraqi demand to close all embassies in Kuwait by August 24. But the embassies could not resist any military move to oust them from Kuwait, he added.

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#90227d2760 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICE, France (AUG. 14) - The French astrologer Nostradamus predicted 400 years ago that the last international conflict of the 20th century would come from the Middle East, according to an analyst of his work.

Nostradamus is however "not talking about the end of the world, but about the end of a civilisation," Jean Charles de Fontbrune said.

Mr. de Fontbrune wrote a best-selling book on Nostradamus in 1980, "Nostradamus, historian and prophet", translating his prophecies into modern French with the help of a computer.

He commented in the wake of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, and as a U.S.-led multinational force assembled in Saudi Arabia to protect the kingdom from Iraqi aggression.

One prophecy notably affirms: "The great band and anti-Christian sect of the Moslems shall rise up in Iraq and Syria, near the Euphrates, with an army and shall consider Christian law as its enemy".

"The Iraqis shall march against the allies of Spain, while people are enjoying themselves, laughing, having banquets, with everybody napping," it goes on.

"The Arab leader shall declare war and subversion against the monarchic sovereignty and the power of the Church shall fall through a maritime invasion. More than one million soldiers will be in Iran, and Satan will invade Turkey and Egypt."

Nostradamus predicts final victory for the West, after 27 years of conflicts in various theatres, including France for three years and seven months.

"The conflict will be tough for both camps," wrote Nostradamus in 1555, "and Iraq will lose its forces in France".

Concerning the date of the conflict predicted by Nostradamus, the astrologer mentions that in July 1999 "a great leader" will come, while the war will reign "before and afterwards".

According to Mr. de Fontbrune, who stresses that Nostradamus is not predicting the end of the world, 1,000 years of peace will then follow, coinciding with the age of Aquarius.

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#90227d2790 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 15) - Syria bought one cargo (10,000 to 12,000 tonnes) of raw sugar at a tender Tuesday, traders said here.

The sugar is required for September shipment and the price paid was 293 dollars per tonne cost and freight, they added.

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#90227d2840 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ERLANGEN, West Germany (AUG. 15) - Siemens KWU, the nuclear power subsidiary of West German group Siemens, said Wednesday it had won a contract to check safety at a Czechoslovakian nuclear plant.

The work at the Soviet-made Bohunice plant some 100 kilometers (60 miles) northeast of Vienna is to be carried out over the next four months.

The Austrian press has recently questioned the safety level at Czechoslovakian nuclear plants near the Austrian border, stressing the risks for the Austrian population in case of an accident.

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#90227d3020 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRABONN (AUG. 15) - West Germany Wednesday announced the closure of its embassy in war-torn Liberia, saying Ambassador Juergen Gehl and 11 German embassy staff members had left the embattled capital Monrovia for the Ivory Coast.

Reports from Accra said Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor had agreed to hold talks with Gambian President Dawda Jawara in Banjul Thursday on a truce to end the eight-month-old Liberian civil war. The meeting was announced by Economic Community of West African States (Ecowas) Executive Secretary Abass Bundu.

Npfl rebels are fighting to oust Liberian President Samuel Doe. Doe's troops have also been battling rebels loyal to rival rebel leader Prince Johnson.

The Bonn ministry said the ambassador's convoy left Wednesday morning. Also among the party were 11 Liberian mission employees. Their departure did not mean a break-off in diplomatic ties. A spokesman said 10 West German mission members had refused to leave despite the worsening situation.

Ghana radio, in a report from the Sierra Leone capital Freetown monitored in Accra, quoted Bundu as saying the killings were assuming ''alarming proportions''. He urged the immediate deployment of a five-nation African peacekeeping force to end the bloodbath.

The radio said Taylor's views were made known at a meeting which Bundu held with Patriotic Front officials in Abidjan. Taylor has in the past rejected an intervention by the peace force.

Meanwhile evidence surfaced indicating that claims by Taylor's Nplf that it had killed Prince Johnson were false. The British Broadcasting Corporation (Bbc) said it had received a telephone call by a man who ''with some probability'' was Johnson. The U.S. State Department said earlier Johnson was well and alive.

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#90227d3030 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) - President George Bush Wednesday vowed to continue his tough stand against Iraq and dismissed arguments President Saddam Hussein has put forward to justify Baghdad's invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

"The American people are with us. Congress is with us. Our allies are with us. And the vast majority of the Arab people are with us," Mr. Bush said in a speech to military personnel at the Defense Department.

Mr. Bush interrupted his vacation in Maine Tuesday to return to Washington for talks on the U.S. budget deficit and to be briefed by top military aides on the Gulf crisis Wednesday.

He is to meet Thursday at his vacation home in Kennebunkport with Jordan's King Hussein, who is reportedly carrying a message from the Iraqi president.

The monarch and the Iraqi leader conferred Monday in Baghdad.

In his address, Mr. Bush reiterated U.S. goals in the international showdown with Iraq:

-- the immediate, complete and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait;

-- return of Kuwait's legitimate government to power;

-- the security and stability of Saudi Arabia and the Gulf region in general;

-- protecting American lives abroad.

"We will achieve these honorable goals," he declared, adding that "there is no substitute for American leadership."

The massive U.S. military deployment in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf is aimed at serving "the cause of justice and freedom, a cause the world supports."

Praising international cooperation against Iraq, Mr. Bush said worldwide economic sanctions ordered against Iraq to compel it to withdraw from Kuwait were working.

"Together we must ensure that that no goods get in and that not one drop of oil gets out," he said.

Mr. Bush said that what is at stake in the Gulf crisis is "truly vital" for the United States and the rest of the world, and that the U.S. military action "is not about religion, greed or cultural differences as Iraq's leader would have us believe."

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#90227d3070 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (AUG. 15) - Bangladesh has agreed to send troops to Saudi Arabia in response to a request from the Saudi Government, a foreign office spokesman said Wednesday.

The request was made by the visiting Saudi deputy foreign minister, Sheikh Abdul Aziz al-Thunaiyan, who handed a message from King Fahd to President Hussain Muhammad Ershad.

The spokesman said the military contingent would leave soon for Saudi Arabia and is expected to boost Saudi defence against Iraq.

The Saudi envoy is to visit Malaysia to make a similar request.

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#90227d3110 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (AUG. 15) - East Germany's agriculture minister was punched and pelted with tomatoes and eggs here as some 250,000 farmers protested across the country Wednesday against the government's farm policies.

Minister Peter Pollack was hit by one enraged farmer shortly before fleeing East Berlin's 40,000 demonstrators in his car, having twice failed to address the crowd.

Demonstrators smashed his vehicle's rear window as it left Alexanderplatz, in the heart of the city.

A total of some 250,000 farmers turned out in several cities across the country to protest against the government's agricultural policies, which farmers say mean "imminent disaster" for them.

The demonstrations were the largest since last year's popular protests brought down East Germany's commmunist regime.

The value of East German produce has fallen up to 70 per cent since economic union with West Germany at the beginning of July when prices were brought into line with European Economic Community levels.

Farmers criticised subsidies of 5.3 billion Deutsche marks (3.1 billion dollars) as insufficient to save the sector, calling for an additional payment of 3.5 billion marks (two billion dollars) to go to some 660,000 workers with guaranteed sales and higher prices for their produce.

In East Berlin, tractors and lorries rolled through the streets as the farmers held banners aloft and chanted "Without farmers there is no bread," and "We want to live too."

They denounced the "liquidation of East German farming," since the abolition of borders with the West, jeering the government of Christian Democrat Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere.

The protestors accused the government of incompetence, saying it had failed to respond to the problem.

Similar mass protests took place in several East German towns, particularly in the regions of Saxony and Thuringia, the ADN agency reported.

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#90227d3340 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 15) - Dozens of trucks loaded with food supplies Wednesday left the Jordanian port of Aqaba for the Iraqi capital of Baghdad, opening a gap in the international embargo of Iraq.

Aqaba Port Authority officials said Jordan had not joined the embargo, but noted that many ships had stopped outside the Jordanian territorial waters and many returned because of the sanctions.

The officials said ships were taking their own decision whether to load or unload at Aqaba, depending on their attitude of their owners towards the embargo.

''We are not stopping any shipment to Iraq,'' a port official said. ''If ships stop short of the port, that is their own business.''

Jordan's King Hussein is due to meet U.S. President George Bush in the United States on Thursday to discuss Jordan's vulnerable position in regards to complying with the embargo.

Official sources told the West German news agency dpa that Finance Minister Basel Jardaneh left for Washington Wednesday to tell U.S. officials of how much it would cost Jordan to join the embargo.

The sources said the government estimated the damage at 1.2 billion dollars. Port officials said 28 per cent of the total goods handled by the Aqaba were destined for Iraq.

One official said many of the port's staff of 5,000 employees has been made redundant because the international embargo had reduced the volume of ships docking at the terminals.

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#90227d3410 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) - U.S. President George Bush criticised Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein Wednesday, accusing him of using propaganda to turn the events in the Gulf around to suit his own interests.

Bush, in a Pentagon speech, said Saddam had tried to portray the situation as a struggle between Americans and Arabs, or between haves and have-nots, or between Arabs and infidels.

''That is clearly false,'' the U.S. president said.

''It is Saddam Hussein who lied to his Arab neighbours. It is Saddam who invaded an Arab state. And it is he who now threatens the Arab nation. And we, by contrast, seek to assist our Arab friends in their hour of need.''

Bush said Iraqi troops in Kuwait were committing ''atrocities'' that constituted a ''sordid tale of brutality''. He dismissed the notion that Iraq might champion the rights of the have-nots, since Iraq is ''one of the haves''.

''For, you see, next to Saudi Arabia, Iraq has the largest oil reserves in the world. But thanks to his ruinous policies of war against other Moslims, he, Saddam Hussein, has transferred wealth into poverty,'' Bush said.

''And sadly, it is the Iraqi people who suffer today, because of the raw territorial ambition of Saddam Hussein.''

Bush said U.S. forces were in the Gulf to ''preserve the sovereignty of nations'' and to stand by ''old friends,'' not merely to protect ''resources and real estate.''

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#90227d3560 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (AUG. 15) - Several hundred Moslems, mostly Shiites, demonstrated here Wednesday against the U.S. military presence in Saudi Arabia.

Police did not interfere with the demonstrators, who held up placards, and shouted slogans, calling the presence a ''disgrace to Islam'', particularly if the U.S. troops include Jews.

It was the first public demonstration in Pakistan against U.S. military intervention in the Gulf crisis.

The protesters ignored Pakistan's commitment to contribute troops to the U.S.-led multinational force being assembled in Saudi Arabia to guaard against an attack by Iraq.

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#90227d3800 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (AUG. 15) - Famine has already killed more than 10,000 people in just one Angolan province this year, the Angolan news agency ANGOP reported on Wednesday, and up to one million could starve nationwide in the next six weeks.

Authorities in the central-western province of Bengeula told a delegation of European and Indian ambassadors that 10,083 people had starved to death there this year as a result of a four-year drought in southern and central Angola, NGOP said in a report monitored here.

Various sources here said up to one million could die of starvation in Angola by October.

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#90227d3890 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 15) - About 30 Albanian refugees gathered outside the U.S. Embassy here Wednesday, in an attempt to obtain a visa to emigrate to the United States.

The embassy was closed for the Assumption Day holiday, but the Albanians, from a centre at Emance near Paris, ignored police requests to move on.

Sixty Albanians are at Emance, and all want to emigrate to the United States, as do most of the 550 Albanians who have arrived here after fleeing their country one month ago.

The French Solidarity Ministry, responsible for the refugees' welfare, said Wednesday that it was meeting with "incomprehension" from the Albanians who failed to understand the complex and lengthy emigration process.

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#90227d4050 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 15) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,582.00 (1,557.50) 1,546.50 (1,518.50)
Lead 455.00 (450.00) 463.50 (461.50)
Zinc Sh 1,597.50 (1,597.50) 1,529.00 (1,531.00)
Tin 5,995.00 (6,025.00) 6,117.50 (6,145.00)
Aluminium 1,796.00 (1,782.00) 1,818.00 (1,805.50)
Nickel

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90227d4100 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (AUG. 15) - Prime Minister Lothar de Maziere said Wednesday he had sacked Finance Minister Walter Romberg and Economy Minister Gerhard Pohl and accepted the resignations of two other cabinet members.

Mr. Romberg, 63, was dismissed because the ruling coalition had been torn by "insurmountable dissension" over economic policy for the past four months, Mr. de Maziere said.

The four would not be replaced and secretaries of state would carry out their duties, he told an impromptu news conference.

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#90227d4500 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) - The State Department Wednesday said Syria and Bangladesh had pledged to send forces to Saudi Arabia.

"Our understanding is that Syria has announced that it will participate in the joint Arab League military deployments to Saudi Arabia," department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said.

As the spokeswoman was making the announcement, reports out of Riyadh said some 1,100 Syrian troops had arrived in Saudi Arabia to bolster Saudi defenses against Iraq.

The State Department announcement followed a trip to Damascus by the Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian affairs, John Kelly.

"It is also our understanding since yesterday that Pakistan and Bangladesh have announced that they will send forces to Saudi Arabia in response to the request from Saudi Arabia for participation in the multinational effort to bolster the Saudi defense efforts," she added.

Ms. Tutwiler said she could not provide details of what Syria and Bangladesh planned to send to Saudi Arabia.

Pakistan had already announced its troop deployment to Saudi Arabia Monday.

The U.S.-led military buildup in the desert kingdom was prompted by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and reported Iraqi troop concentration along the Saudi border.

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#90227d4550 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) - Iraq's ambassador to the United States said Jordan's King Hussein is bringing a ''very practical, very progressive'' peace initiative to President George Bush, and urged the U.S. government to give it serious consideration.

Mohammad al-Mashat refused to give details about the initiative that Hussein is said to be carrying with him to Kennebunkport, Maine, for talks with Bush Thursday.

According to CBS television, however, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has proposed that an international conference oversee the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait if Washington also agrees to stop sending troops to Saudi Arabia.

But Mashat, asked if an international parley was involved, said it was

''only rumours''.

The Iraqi envoy charged there was a conspiracy against Iraq and asked rhetorically why the United States was sending an ''armada'' when Iraq had made no moves threatening U.S. interests.

Iraq had no intention of invading Saudi Arabia, he said, and sent its forces into Kuwait because the sheikhdom ''posed a threat to our strategic interests''.

''But still, everybody's beating the drum of war. Let us work to save lives - of the Americans, of the Iraqis, of the Arabs. We are planning to get out,'' he said in an interview on Cnn television. ''We should look into this opening.''

Asked if Baghdad considered U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia as a strategic threat, Mashat replied: ''Do you think we can face the United States? No, we can't. We're a small country. We have been victimised.

''We have fought eight years of war. We should be rewarded, because had it not been for Iraq, the (Iranian) Khomeini forces would have moved all over the Gulf. And then you would have been forced to send the American boys to defend your interests.

''We haven't threatened your interests. We haven't done anything to touch your interests, strategic or otherwise,'' he said.

The ambassador said his country's recent peace initiative to Iran was only the ''culmination'' of a long series of efforts to finalise an agreement, and that Baghdad planned to withdraw its troops from a disputed area near the Shatt al-Arab waterway by Friday.

Mashat acknowledged that Iraq was already beginning to take ''belt-tightening'' actions domestically because of global sanctions, and said the U.S.-led ''blockade'' of his country was ''illegal''since it had not been authorized by the U.N. Security Council.

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#90227d5040 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 15) - South Africa has no outstanding contracts for arms supplies to Iraq and would do everything to support the spirit of the United Nations embargo imposed on the Middle East country, Foreign Affairs Minister Pik Botha said Wednesday night.

Asked during a state-run television debate whether South Africa's contracts with Iraq to supply the G5 heavy artillery cannon had included conditions about the supply of ammunition, Mr. Botha said he could not answer that

because it was not within his field of interest.

In any event, the government had a policy of not publicly revealing this type of information, he said.

Although the crisis in the Gulf region was not relevant to South Africa, nothing would be done that would be in conflict with the United Nations decision against Iraq, Mr. Botha added.

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#90227d5230 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 16) - Egypt's Oil Office decided Wednesday to raise the price of Egyptian oil by more than a dollar a barrel, the fourth increase since August 1, the official Middle East News Agency reported.

The latest rise means the price will have gone up by about 10 dollars in two weeks.

The new prices are as follows:

Gulf Crude 24.55 dollars

Suez Crude 24.25 dollars

Balaim 23.40 dollars

Ras Badran 22.25 dollars

Ras Ghareb 21.90 dollars

Egypt, which is not a member of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, sells its oil on the spot market and sets its prices in line with fluctuations on the market, while staying in line with OPEC directives.

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#90227d5390 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN, (AUG 15) - Iran was awaiting the return later this week of a first group of 2,000 prisoners of war from Iraq, an Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman confirmed on Wednesday.

Spokesman Morteza Sarmadi said Iran had been notified by the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in Geneva that the release would take place Friday.

"Iran will certainly respond to this Iraqi gesture with a positive action

that will please the families of Iraqi prisoners of war," Mr. Sarmadi said.

Red Cross officials in Geneva said their organization had been asked by Iraqi authorities to supervise the return of the prisoners of war.

Iraq has also requested the help of the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group (UNIIMOG), according to an Iraqi News Agency report monitored in Nicosia.

The 350-strong UNIIMOG force was set up in August 1988 to monitor a ceasefire along the Iran-Iraq border.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein announced Wednesday that Baghdad was prepared to accept Iran's terms in the bitter territorial dispute which led to an eight-year war between them.

The Iraqi president also pledged to withdraw Iraqi troops from Iran and to exchange prisoners of war.

A total of 50,203 Iraqi prisoners are detained in Iran and 18,902 Iranians are held by Baghdad, according to ICRC official figures based on formal registration of prisoners. But officials said there could be as many as 70,000 Iraqis and 30,000 Iranians held.

In addition, Iran says it is holding 12,000 Egyptians who fought with Iraq.

Only 2,312 prisoners have been exchanged under the auspices of the ICRC.

The Iranian Foreign Ministry has asked the families of the prisoners of war soon to be released to refrain from flocking to the border towns of Khaniqin and Qasr Shirin proposed by Iraq as points for the exchange of prisoners.

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#90227d5440 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (AUG 15) - Indian External Relations Minister Inder Kumar Gujral and U.S. Secretary of State James Baker discussed the Gulf crisis here Wednesday, with the focus on the plight of the large Indian communities in both Iraq and Kuwait.

Mr. Gujral told journalists that in his talks with Mr Baker, he underscored the plight of "the sizeable number of Indians both in Iraq (110,000) and in Kuwait (175,000)" and said the resulting economic problems faced by India should be looked into.

Mr. Baker expressed understanding, he added.

The Indian minister, who arrived here from Moscow Wednesday, said his country supported the trade embargo against Iraq imposed by the U.N. Security Council in retaliation for the August 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait by Iraq.

He added that India had not been asked to contribute troops to the U.S.-dominated multinational force sent to bolster Saudi Arabia and deter any Iraqi attack against the oil-rich desert kingdom.

Mr. Gujral said he had initially planned to visit Baghdad after his visit here, but added that the visit was now in doubt because of the Gulf crisis.

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#90227d5550 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (AUG. 16) - Four East German Army officers suspected of involvement in recent shipments of military equipment to Iraq have been temporarily relieved of their duties, the East German disarmament and defense minister said Wednesday.

Rainer Eppelmann confirmed earlier reports that East Germany had recently sent Iraq 24 armoured vehicles and seven pontoon bridges. He said the equipment was manufactured in Czechoslovakia, assembled in East Germany and shipped from Poland.

A group of experts monitoring East German arms exports recently discovered the existence of two shipments of equipment, in April and June of this year, to Iraq.

Mr. Eppelmann said another shipment consisting of 17 pontoon bridges had left the Polish port of Gdynia on July 31 and was still en route towards Iraq.

The contract for delivery had been signed September 25, 1989, before East Germany's hardline communist leaders were forced from power.

Mr. Eppelmann called the contract "another leftover" from the communist regime.

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#90227d6050 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 16) - Japan is planning to extend financial aid to Middle Eastern nations troubled by mounting tensions in the Gulf after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, government sources said Thursday.

They said Japan's plans would be conveyed unofficially to the potential recipients by Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama, who leaves Friday for Egypt,

Turkey, Jordan, Oman and Saudi Arabia.

Mr. Nakayama is making the trip instead of Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, who cancelled his five-nation tour that was due to begin Wednesday in order to remain in Tokyo and coordinate Japanese reactions to the Gulf crisis.

U.S. President George Bush, in a telephone conversation with Mr. Kaifu Tuesday, asked Japan to provide strong economic support to the region, the sources said.

Under the proposed plan, Japan will provide grant assistance to Egypt and Jordan and extend massive financial support to Turkey in a non-military package, while it expands technological cooperation with oil-rich Saudi Arabia and Oman, they said.

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#90227d6070 08/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (AUG. 16) - Indonesia overcame the threat of heavy foreign debt burden and weak oil prices last year to register a robust 7.4 percent economic growth, President Suharto said Thursday.

"The prime mover of such a growth was the increasingly non-oil and gas exports," Mr. Suharto said, adding that the 7.4 percent increase was the highest registered in eight years. The economy grew by 5.1 percent in 1988.

He attributed the success in the non-oil sector to policies introduced since 1983 aimed at reducing Indonesia's dependence on the oil sector.

The oil sector now accounts for about 40 percent of exports and 35 percent of state revenues compared to 80 percent and 60 percent respectively in the early 1980s.

"This is a clear indication that the policies of deregulation and de-bureaucratisation ... have borne fruit," he said in his state of the nation address to mark Indonesia's 45th anniversary of independence on Friday.

Weak oil prices, heavy debt burden and protectionism in some major export markets continued to haunt Indonesia at the start of 1989, and the government set a cautious five percent growth target, he said.

Officials and foreign analysts put Indonesia's foreign debt at around 50 billion dollars but Jakarta has continually met all its debt obligations.

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#90227e0021 08/15/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MADRID (AUG 15) EFE - Spanish police Wednesday continued their search for bombs the armed Basque separatist group ETA said it had planted on three main railway lines, as the state railway company RENFE rerouted passengers to bypass the threatened tracks.

A RENFE spokesman said service was "relatively normal" after the company switched routes and hired buses to take travelers to their destinations during Spain's peak holiday season.

Police Wednesday blamed ETA for a bomb which exploded Tuesday on the Madrid-Oviedo line between the northwestern cities of Gijon and Leon, at a stretch of track some 330 km some northwest of the capital.

The explosion left a 30 centimeter hole and caused damage to about 12 meters of track, police said.

No injuries were reported.

The blast was the first since ETA announced Monday that bombs planted on the main railway lines connecting the capital to the northern city of Oviedo, the northeastern city of Barcelona and Seville in the south, would begin exploding between Tuesday and Sunday.

Meanwhile police continued to scour the some 1,855 km of threatened track for more bombs, but have failed to find any, an Interior Ministry spokesman said.

Last summer ETA set off four bombs on railway lines in northern Spain during a campaign to disrupt rail travel. There were no injuries during the attacks.

RENFE Wednesday repeated its offer to return money to any travelers holding tickets on the treatened lines who request it.

ETA has killed more than 600 people since taking up arms in 1968 to fight for the Basque region's right to independence.

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#90227e0056 08/15/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) EFE - A Spaniard and West German arrested in Orlando Florida Monday for allegedly trying to illegally export U.S.-made arms to Libya also attempted to smuggle weapons to Iraq, U.S. customs officials said Wednesday.

Spaniard Juan Martin Peche-Koesters, 43, and West German Claus Fuhler, 32, who lived in Spain, had tried to set up an illegal arms network to smuggle

to Iraq 10,000 anti-tank missiles and a similar amount of rockets capable of carrying chemical weapons, officials said.

Authorities were first alerted to their activites in July, 1989 when a U.S. arms dealer told police that Peche-Koesters had asked to be supplied with a large amount of weapons.

Undercover customs officers posed as arms dealers and got in contact with Peche-Koesters who said he was interested in buying 10,000 "TOW" anti-tank missiles, worth dlrs 160 million, 10,000 rockets capable of carrying toxic gas, and other missiles.

He said that the missiles would be destined for Iraq, customs officials said.

In May this year, Peche-Koesters and Fuhler began negotiations with the undercover officers for the sale of 200 TOW missiles, worth dlrs 3.7 million, which were to be smuggled to Libya through Spain.

In January this year they also tried to buy several Toyota all-terrain vehicles armed with 106-millimeter machineguns as well as rifles, mines and pistols for a third Middle East country which customs oficials said was probably Iran.

The alleged traffickers called off the Toyota deal, saying that their customer had already received the weapons from other sources.

The two could face 10 years in jail and dlrs one million fines if convicted.

Customs officers said they expected to make more arrests in the case.

Iraq is believed to have thousands of tons of mustard and and nerve gases and U.S. troops currently deployed in Saudi Arabia have been kitted out with protective suits in case Iraq should use chemical weapons in any clash with them.

Several Iraqis were arrested in Britain earlier this year for allegedly trying to export U.S.-made high-technology weapons, including detonators for nuclear bombs, to Baghdad.

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#90227f1405 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 15) UPI - Share prices closed slightly firmer Wednesday on the London International Stock Exchange as investors awaited with cautious optimism the outcome of peace initiatives in the Middle East.

The Financial Times Stock Exchange 100-share index was up 5.3 points to 2239.3 points at the close of trading, while the narrower Financial Times 30 index stood at 1748.2 points, up 5.6 points.

Market sentiment was brightened by reports that Iraq was seeking to improve relations with Iran and on anticipation of talks between King Hussein of Jordan and President Bush concerning Iraq's annexation of Kuwait, dealers said.

Trading was also enlivened by news that Imperial Chemical Industries was placing its 25 percent stake in Enterprise Oil shares, they said.

ICI shares climbed $1.14 a share in early trading, but the advance was later nipped by profit-taking, leaving shares only fractionally ahead at $180 a share. Enterprise moved up 89 cents a share to $11.89 a share.

Gold and other mining issues were depressed by a slipping gold price after its strong advances earlier this week. Vaal Reefs shares fell $9.75 to $87.25.

Gilt-edged securities gained three-eighths of a point as the pound sterling strengthened against the U.S. dollar.

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#90227f1621 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 15) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.80 1/2	2.84 3/4	2.79 3/4	2.84 3/4	2.79 1/2
Dec	2.94 1/2	2.99	2.94 1/4	2.99	2.94 1/4
Mar	3.04	3.08 1/2	3.03 1/2	3.08 1/4	3.03 1/4
May	3.07 1/2	3.12	3.07 1/2	3.12	3.07 1/2
Jly	3.08	3.12 1/2	3.08	3.12 1/2	3.08
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.46 1/4	2.47 3/4	2.44 1/2	2.47 1/2	2.45 1/2
Dec	2.43 1/4	2.44 1/2	2.40 3/4	2.44 1/4	2.42 1/2
Mar	2.51 1/2	2.52 3/4	2.49 1/4	2.52 1/2	2.51 1/4
May	2.58	2.59	2.55 3/4	2.59	2.58

Jly	2.62	2.62 1/4	2.59 1/4	2.62 1/4	2.61
Sep	2.57 1/2	2.57 1/2	2.57	2.57	2.57 1/2
Dec	2.57 1/4	2.57 3/4	2.55	2.57	2.57 1/4

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	1.16 1/4	1.17	1.15	1.16 3/4	1.16
Dec	1.27 3/4	1.28 1/2	1.26 1/2	1.28 1/2	1.27
Mar	1.38 1/4	1.39	1.37 1/4	1.39	1.37 3/4
May	1.43	1.45	1.43	1.44 1/4	1.43
Jly	1.48 1/2	1.49 1/2	1.48 1/2	1.49 1/4	1.48

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Aug	6.10 1/2	6.13	6.02 1/2	6.13	6.10
Sep	6.13 1/2	6.16	6.05 1/4	6.15 1/4	6.14 1/2
Nov	6.25 1/2	6.28	6.16	6.27	6.25 3/4
Jan	6.36 1/2	6.40	6.27 1/2	6.39 1/2	6.37 3/4
Mar	6.48	6.50	6.39 1/2	6.50	6.49
May	6.55	6.58	6.47 1/2	6.57 3/4	6.55 3/4
Jly	6.62 1/2	6.65 1/2	6.62	6.65 1/4	6.62
Aug	6.53	6.54	6.48	6.50	6.48
Sep	6.35	6.35	6.32	6.33	6.32 1/2
Nov	6.25	6.28 1/2	6.15 1/2	6.23 1/4	6.25 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Aug	24.75	24.75	24.38	24.63	24.78
Sep	24.62	24.62	24.16	24.43	24.59
Oct	24.65	24.65	24.16	24.43	24.66
Dec	24.80	24.82	24.34	24.56	24.83
Jan	24.93	24.93	24.50	24.70	24.91
Mar	24.85	25.00	24.63	24.80	25.03
May	25.10	25.10	24.75	24.90	25.10
Jly	25.05	25.05	24.75	24.93	25.12

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Aug	173.50	174.90	171.70	174.00	174.40
Sep	175.20	176.40	173.10	175.80	175.70
Oct	177.00	178.00	174.90	177.30	177.30
Dec	180.30	181.70	178.30	181.60	180.50
Jan	181.50	182.90	180.40	183.00	182.00
Mar	184.70	186.00	182.80	186.00	184.00
May	186.00	187.00	184.20	187.20	185.00
Jly	186.50	188.00	186.00	188.00	186.90
Aug	186.50	187.50	186.50	187.50	186.00

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#90227f1622 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 15) UPI - Grain and soybean futures were mostly higher at

the close Wednesday on the Chicago Board of Trade. Trading was choppy with commercials and professionals on both sides of the market.

Steady buying in wheat was based on indications that recent losses were overdone. However, gains were limited by the lack of export sales.

Corn was higher on news that Mexico and Taiwan bought 225,000 tons of corn overnight and on hopes of additional near-term business. Strong basis levels and light farmer selling provided underlying support.

Soybeans rallied during the closing minutes and were at or near session highs at the final bell. Gains in soybeans were tempered by profit-taking and the weakness in soybean oil futures. Country movement was light.

At the close, corn was up 2 to off 1/2, soybeans up 3 to down 2 1/4, wheat up 4 1/2 to 5 1/4 and oats up 3/4 to 1 1/2.

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#90227h0005 08/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

OTTAWA (AUG. 15) XINHUA - ARCHBISHOP DESMOND TUTU, AFTER TWO DAYS AMID THE POVERTY OF A REMOTE INDIAN RESERVE IN CANADA, PROMISES TO WRITE TO CANADA'S TOP LEADERS TO PRESS FOR BETTERING THE LIVING CONDITIONS OF CANADIAN NATIVES.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN ANTI-APARTHEID CAMPAIGNER SPENT TWO DAYS VISITING THE IMPOVERISHED INDIAN RESERVE IN OSNABURGH, WESTERN ONTARIO, ONLY TO SEE THAT THE 700 PEOPLE ON THE RESERVE LIVE IN BATTERED WOODEN SHACKS AND HAVE NO RUNNING WATER.

ENDING THE VISIT OF THE RESERVE, TUTU, HEAD OF THE ANGLICAN CHURCH IN SOUTH AFRICA, TOLD REPORTERS HE WILL WRITE TO CANADIAN PRIME MINISTER BRIAN MULRONEY, FOREIGN MINISTER JOE CLARK AND ONTARIO PROVINCIAL PREMIER DAVID PETERSON ABOUT THE PLIGHT OF THE NATIVES AT OSNABURGH.

HIS DECISION TO WRITE THE LETTERS WAS PROMPTED BY THE URGENCY OF THE ABORIGINAL PROBLEMS IN CANADA, SAID TUTU, WHO ARRIVED IN CANADA ON AUGUST 11 FOR A 10-DAY VISIT.

"I AM NOT GOING TO BE PRETENDING THAT I AM AN INSTANT EXPERT BUT I AM HOPING THAT I WILL WRITE TO THE PRIME MINISTER, WHOM I REGARD AS A FRIEND OF OUR OWN STRUGGLE," SAID THE 1984 NOBEL PEACE PRIZE WINNER.

AS HE SPOKE, TUTU POINTED TO A SCHOOL BUILDING THAT HE SAID SHOULD BE CONDEMNED AS A HEALTH HAZARD, AND NOTED THE LACK OF RUNNING WATER IN THE OVER-CROWDED SHACKS OF THE IMPOVERISHED RESERVE.

ASKED WHETHER THE CONDITIONS RESEMBLE THE STRUGGLE BY BLACKS IN SOUTH

AFRICA, TUTU SAID THERE ARE A LOT OF SIMILARITIES.

DURING MONDAY'S VISIT AT THE RESERVE, TUTU WAS TOLD ABOUT A 90-PERCENT UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, HIGH INCIDENCE OF VIOLENT DEATHS, SUICIDE AND ALCOHOL ABUSE.

HE TOLD REPORTERS HE WAS "DEEPLY DISTRESSED" BY THE CONDITIONS HE SAW ON THE RESERVE.

OSNABURGH CHIEF ROY KAMINAWAISH SAID HE HOPES THE ARCHBISHOP'S VISIT WILL BRING "MODEST IMPROVEMENTS" FOR THE PEOPLE OF OSNABURGH.

APPARENTLY FOR FEAR THAT A LARGE GROUP OF FOREIGN REPORTERS WOULD BE FOLLOWING TUTU TO THE IMPOVERISHED RESERVE, THE CANADIAN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S INDIAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT DISTRIBUTED AN "INFORMATION PACKAGE" IN SEVERAL LANGUAGES TO PAINT A POSITIVE PORTRAIT OF THE LIVING CONDITIONS ON NATIVE RESERVES IN CANADA.

THE GOVERNMENT ARGUES THAT THERE HAS BEEN "SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS" IN THE PAST 25 YEARS. IT ALSO INSISTS THERE ARE "MANY AFFLUENT RESERVES" ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

THERE ARE ABOUT 50,000 NATIVE INDIANS IN CANADA.

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#90227h0008 08/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (AUG. 15) XINHUA - 21 MAINLANDERS WERE MISSING AND 29 WERE RESCUED AFTER A FISHING BOAT CARRYING 50 MAINLANDERS BEING REPATRIATED WAS SHEARED IN HALF ON AUGUST 13 BY AN ESCORTING TAIWAN WARSHIP, ACCORDING TO REPORTS YESTERDAY BY TAIWAN AND HONG KONG NEWSPAPERS.

THERE IS LITTLE HOPE FOR THE 21 MISSING PEOPLE AS RESCUE EFFORTS HAVE STOPPED, ACCORDING TO SURVIVORS INTERVIEWED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HELD BY TAIWAN MILITARY AUTHORITIES.

SURVIVORS AT THE CONFERENCE, WHO APPEARED "QUITE ANGRY," ACCUSED TAIWAN'S MILITARY OF "ACTING TOO LATE TO RESCUE THEM," REPORTS SAY.

"IT WAS NOT UNTIL ABOUT 2400 HOURS, TWO HOURS AFTER THE BOAT SANK THAT RESUCE OPERATIONS BEGAN."

THE TRAGEDY TOOK PLACE AT 2200 HOURS ON AUGUST 13 ABOUT 13 NAUTICAL MILES NORTH OF TAIWAN'S KEELUNG PORT WHERE THE FISHING BOAT -- ALSO FROM THE MAINLAND -- WAS FORCED TO LEAVE FOR EAST CHINA'S FUJIAN PROVINCE.

THIS IS THE SECOND TRAGEDY IN THE TAIWAN AUTHORITIES' REPATRIATION OPERATIONS. TWENT-FIVE MAINLANDERS WERE FOUND SUFFOCATED ON JULY 22 IN

SEALED CABINS ON A FISHING BOAT.

A REPORT BY TAIWAN'S "CENTRAL NEWS AGENCY" QUOTED A SURVIVOR AS SAYING THAT MORE REPATRIATED MAINLANDERS WOULD HAVE DIED IF THE MAINLANDERS HAD NOT BROKEN BOARDS IN A SEALED CABIN AND ESCAPED BEFORE THE COLLISION.

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#90227h0009 08/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 15) XINHUA - THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT IS ATTEMPTING TO CONTROL THE ECONOMY IN SUCH A MANNER TO CONTRACT THE DEFICIT, MOP UP LIQUIDITY AND DIMINISH THE PRESSURE OF BLACK MONEY, FINANCE MINISTER MADHU DANDAVATE SAID TODAY.

IN AN INDEPENDENCE DAY (AUGUST 15) FEATURE, THE MINISTER SAID THAT NON-PRODUCTIVE GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE WILL BE CONTROLLED SO THAT THE INFLATIONARY IMPACT ON THE ECONOMY WILL DIMINISH.

WHILE ADMITTING THAT IT WAS A DIFFICULT TASK, HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAD ADRRESSED ITSELF TO IT, EVER SINCE IT FACED A DISASTER SCENARIO ON TAKING OVER THE GOVERNMENT.

NOTING THAT THE CUSTOMS ACT AND THE ENFORCEMENT MACHINERY WERE BEING STRENGTHENED TO ATTACK SMUGGLING AND SEIZE AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE, DANDAVATE SAID THERE WERE SERIOUS PROBLEMS ON THE PRICES FRONT AND THE GOVERNMENT WAS DOING ITS BEST TO BEAT THEM.

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#90227h0014 08/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 15) XINHUA - THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL MUSLIM FOOD AND TECHNOLOGY EXHIBITION OPENED HERE TODAY.

MORE THAN 100 COMPANIES FROM 18 COUNTRIES, INCLUDING SAUDI ARABIA, TURKEY AND CHINA, ARE DISPLAYING A WIDE RANGE OF FOOD ITEMS AND PROCESSING AND PACKAGING EQUIPMENT AT THE FOUR-DAY EXHIBITION.

THE EXHIBITION, ORGANIZED BY THE SINGAPORE MALAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO PROMOTE SINGAPORE AS A TRADE AND DISTRIBUTION CENTER FOR MUSLIM FOOD, IS EXPECTED TO ATTRACT ABOUT 5,000 VISITORS.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE EXHIBITION, A CONFERENCE IS ALSO BEING HELD TO MAKE PEOPLE MORE AWARE OF HOW MUSLIM FOOD IS PREPARED AND CAN BE IDENTIFIED.

IT ALSO FOCUSES ON BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES IN THE MUSLIM FOOD MARKET, WHICH IS MADE UP OF 1.8 BILLION MUSLIMS WORLDWIDE.

MORE THAN 120 MANUFACTURERS, ACADEMICS AND SOME AMBASSADORS OF MUSLIM COUNTRIES WILL LISTEN TO TALKS DELIVERED BY SEVEN MUSLIM LECTURERS.

OPENING THE EXHIBITION, MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY MAH BOW TAN URGED LOCAL BUSINESSMEN TO EXPAND AGGRESSIVELY INTO THE WORLD MARKET FOR MUSLIM FOOD.

THE GOVERNMENT WILL SUPPORT THEIR EFFORTS IN THE AREAS OF RAW MATERIAL SUPPLY, TECHNOLOGY ADVANCES AND MARKETING, HE SAID.

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#90227h0015 08/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 15) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINE CENTRAL BANK TODAY STARTED TO EXCHANGE THE CURRENCIES OF IRAQ, KUWAIT, SAUDI ARABIA AND BAHRAIN FOR RETURNING FILIPINO CONTRACT WORKERS, UP TO 5,000 PESOS (ABOUT 208.3 U.S. DOLLARS), PRESIDENT AQUINO ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE CURRENCIES WERE EXCHANGED AT MANILA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND THE CENTRAL BANK MAIN OFFICE.

THE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE SAID THAT PRESIDENT AQUINO ALSO DIRECTED THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR TO PROVIDE MAXIMUM SUPPORT TO FILIPINO OVERSEAS WORKERS DISPLACED BY THE IRAQ-KUWAIT CONFLICT.

THE PRESIDENT SAID THE LABOR DEPARTMENT, THROUGH THE OVERSEAS WORKERS WELFARE ADMINISTRATION, WILL GO ON PROVIDING EMERGENCY LOANS TO THE RETURNING WORKERS IN ADDITION TO THE PRESENT PROGRAMS OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE AND LIVELIHOOD LOANS.

SHE ALSO DIRECTED EXECUTIVE SECRETARY CATALINO MACARAIG TO NEGOTIATE FOR SEA VESSELS TO EVACUATE WORKERS WHERE FEASIBLE.

MEANWHILE, LABOR SECRETARY RUBEN TORRES, NOW IN THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA, REPORTED TO THE PRESIDENT THAT THE SAUDI LABOR MINISTER HAS GIVEN HIS GOVERNMENT'S ASSURANCES THAT FILIPINO WORKERS "WILL BE PROTECTED LIKE ANY OTHER SAUDI NATIONAL AND NO DANGER EXISTS FOR THEM."

SAUDI ARABIA IS HOST TO SOME 350,000 FILIPINO CONTRACT WORKERS. TORRES ALSO REPORTED TO MRS. AQUINO THAT EMPLOYERS IN SAUDI ARABIA ARE WILLING TO HIRE DISPLACED WORKERS FROM KUWAIT, SOME EVEN STATING WHAT SKILLS THEY NEED.

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#90227h0019 08/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) XINHUA - U.S. TOP TECHNOLOGY FIRMS ARE MAKING A REVOLUTION IN THE ESOTERIC ART OF CHIPMAKING THAT PROMISES TO TRANSFORM

SEMICONDUCTORS BY THE END OF THE CENTURY.

AT HIGH-TECH COMPANIES AND RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS, SCIENTISTS ARE DEVELOPING NEW WAYS OF ETCHING, ONTO SILICON, CIRCUITS MANY TIMES SMALLER THAN TODAY'S SMALLEST TRANSISTORS.

THEIR TOOLS INCLUDE ULTRAVIOLET LIGHT, X-RAYS, ELECTRON BEAMS AND ION BEAMS.

SUCH TINY CIRCUITS WILL REQUIRE EXTRAORDINARILY STERILE FABRICATION FACILITIES, SINCE EVEN THE SMALLEST DUST MOTE COULD DESTROY A CHIP.

THE COMPANIES WORKING TO DEVELOP SUCH FABRICATION PLANTS INCLUDE INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP. (IBM), MOTOROLA INC. AND AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CO. (AT"T).

BUT A GROUP OF JAPANESE FIRMS ARE RACING CLOSELY. A GROUP OF 13 MAJOR JAPANESE SEMICONDUCTOR AND ELECTRONICS COMPANIES AND THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT ARE EXPLORING X-RAY TECHNOLOGY THROUGH A PROJECT CALLED SORTEC.

HITACHI LTD. EVEN CLAIMS TO HAVE MADE IMPORTANT PROGRESS IN ELECTRON BEAM TECHNOLOGY.

IN THE UNITED STATES, IBM HAS EMBARKED ON THE MOST AMBITIOUS RESEARCH EFFORT, INVESTING HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN A PILOT FACILITY THAT WILL EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF MAKING MEMORY CHIPS USING X-RAYS.

THE FIRST TEST WILL BEGIN AT THE COMPANY'S FACILITY IN EAST FISHKILL, NEW YORK, BY YEAR-END.

THE MOST SOPHISTICATED MICROPROCESSORS NOW MADE ALREADY PACK MORE THAN ONE MILLION TRANSISTORS. THE LINES LTHAT DEFINE THEM MEASURE AS LITTLE AS 0.8 MICRON IN WIDTH, OR LESS THAN ONE-HUNDREDTH THE WIDTH OF A HUMAN HAIR.

BY THE YEAR 2000, SCIENTISTS HOPE TO ETCH UP TO 100 MILLION TRANSISTORS ON A CHIP. SUCH CHIPS WOULD REQUIRE TRANSISTORS OF 0.35 MICRON OR LESS.

SEMATECH, THE U.S. SEMICONDUCTOR INDUSTRYU CONSORTIUM, IS EXPERIMENTING WITH OPTICAL TECHNOLOGY DESIGNED TO BRING TRANSISTOR SIZE DOWN TO ABOUT 0.35 MICRON BY 1993.

X-RAYS, BECAUSE OF THEIR ULTRASMALL WAVELENGTH, CAN ETCH FAR FINER LINES IN SILICON THAN VISIBLE OR ULTRAVIOLET LIGHT.

IBM HAS ALREADY CREATED 0.25-MICRON CHIPS USING THE TECHNOLOGY AT ITS BROOKHAVEN, NEW YORK, FACILITY.

THE DRAWBACK IS THAT THE X-RAY TECHNOLOGY IS STILL TOO EXPENSIVE FOR

PRACTICAL APPLICATION.

FURTHER DOWN THE LINE, SOME INDUSTRY OFFICIALS SEE A USE FOR ION BEAMS IN LITHOGRAPHY.

IONS, ELECTRICALLY CHARGED ATOMS, SCATTER LESS THAN ELECTRONS OR LIGHT, PROVIDING A SHARP IMAGE AT LESS THAN 0.2 MICRON.

BUT THE CREATION OF A COMMERCIAL MACHINE HAS BEEN PREVENTED SO FAR BY DIFFICULTIES IN CONSTRUCTING MASKS AND PROJECTING LARGE ENOUGH IMAGES.

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#90227h0040 08/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 15) XINHUA - NIGERIA HAS AIRLIFTED 756 OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS TO SIERRA LEONE TO JOIN THE PEACE- KEEPING FORCE OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES (ECOWAS).

ARMY SPOKESMAN FRED CHIJUKA TOLD JOURNALISTS HERE TUESDAY THAT THE NIGERIAN CONTINGENT WAS MADE UP OF 36 OFFICERS AND 720 SOLDIERS FROM VARIOUS UNITS OF THE ARMY.

THE CONTINGENT IS HEADED BY BRIGADIER CYRIL IWESE, COMMANDER OF THE 13 AMPHIBIOUS BRIGADE WHO IS NOW ALSO THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ECOWAS PEACE-KEEPING FORCE.

ANOTHER NIGERIAN OFFICER, COLONEL MUFU RUFAI, GARRISON COMMANDER OF THE 82 DIVISION, HAS BEEN APPOINTED CHIEF OF LOGISTICS OF THE FORCE, SAID THE SPOKESMAN.

CHIJUKA REITERATED THAT THE ECOWAS TROOPS WILL TRY TO HOLD "A ROUND TABLE TALK" WITH THE WARRING FACTIONS IN LIBERIA TO FIND SOLUTIONS TO THE EIGHT-MONTH-OLD CIVIL WAR IN THE COUNTRY.

HE SAID THE ECOWAS FORCE WILL MOVE OUT OF LIBERIA AS SOON AS PEACE AND ORDER RESTORED THERE.

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#90227h0042 08/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 15) XINHUA - CHINA WILL GIVE JORDAN A NON-INTEREST LOAN TOTALING 50 MILLION YUAN (ABOUT 10.6 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), WHICH WOULD BE USED IN FINANCING JORDANIAN PROJECTS.

ACCORDING TO THE TECHNICAL AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT SIGNED HERE TODAY BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, THE LOAN COVERS A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS STARTING FROM SEPTEMBER 1990 TILL AUGUST 1995.

THE LOAN IS TO BE PAID THROUGH JORDANIAN COMMODITIES EXPORTED TO CHINA OR THROUGH CONVERTIBLE CURRENCY.

THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED BY LI LANQING, CHINESE VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS AND TRADE, AND SAFWAN TOKAN, JANDAN'S UNDERSECRETARY OF MINISTRY OF PLANNING.

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#90227h0043 08/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 15) XINHUA - AN OFFICIAL VISIT BY PRINCESS DIANA TO PAKISTAN NEXT MONTH WAS POSTPONED, THE BUCKINGHAM PALACE ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE DECISION WAS TAKEN BY "MUTUAL AGREEMENT" FOLLOWING THE DISSOLUTION OF PAKISTAN'S NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF EARLY ELECTIONS, A BUCKINGHAM PALACE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE VISIT, PLANNED FOR SEPTEMBER 17-20, WAS TO HAVE BEEN THE FIRST SOLO TRIP TO A COMMONWEALTH COUNTRY BY THE PRINCESS.

PRINCESS DIANA WAS SAID TO BE "DISAPPOINTED" ABOUT THE SITUATION IN PAKISTAN.

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#90227h0082 08/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (AUG. 16) XINHUA - ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT EXECUTIVE BRANCH ANNOUNCED TUESDAY TO WITHDRAW A DEATH PENALTY BILL FROM CONGRESS BECAUSE OF "OPPOSING VIEWPOINT" OF THE MAJORITY OF LEGISLATORS AND OTHER GROUPS.

THE MEASURE IS THOUGHT TO BE "ADEQUATE FOR THE GRAVE SITUATION THE COUNTRY IS EXPERIENCING," THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH SAID IN A MESSAGE SIGNED BY ARGENTINE PRESIDENT CARLOS MENEM AND INTERIOR MINISTER JULIO MERA FIGUEROA.

THE DEATH PENALTY BILL WAS SUBMITTED TO CONGRESS ON AUGUST 1, DRAWING NOTABLE RESISTANCE FROM LEGISLATORS. ARGENTINA NOW HAS NO DEATH PENALTY.

THE BILL CALLS FOR THE DEATH PENALTY ONLY FOR CERTAIN HEINOUS CRIMES. IT WAS SUBMITTED TO CONGRESS SOON AFTER THE KIDNAPPING AND KILLING OF AN ARGENTINE BUSINESSMAN, WHICH AROUSED BOTH THE GOVERNMENT AND GENERAL PUBLIC'S CONCERN REGARDING CRIME AND THE LEGAL SYSTEM.

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#90227k0055 08/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 15) KYODO - JAPAN ON WEDNESDAY PLEDGED TO EXTEND UP TO 3.2 BILLION YEN IN NEW GRANTS-IN-AID TO INDONESIA, JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

OFFICIALS SAID REPRESENTATIVES OF JAPAN AND INDONESIA MET IN JAKARTA EARLIER IN THE DAY AND EXCHANGED DIPLOMATIC NOTES CONCERNING THE PLEDGE OF UP TO 3,183 MILLION YEN FOR THREE PROJECTS.

JAPAN, INDONESIA'S LARGEST AID BENEFACTOR, WILL PROVIDE UP TO 1,664 MILLION YEN TO HELP INDONESIA CORRECT ITS OVERRELIANCE ON IMPORTS OF MEASLES AND POLIO VACCINES FOR INFANTS AND SMALL CHILDREN, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THEY SAID THE MONEY WILL BE PUT TO USE IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES AND THE PROCUREMENT OF EQUIPMENT FOR DOMESTIC PRODUCTION OF THE VACCINES TO ENSURE A STABLE SUPPLY IN TIMES OF NEED.

UP TO 803 MILLION YEN WILL BE EXPENDED FOR A PROJECT TO CONSTRUCT AND EQUIP A FOREST TREE DEVELOPMENT CENTER, OFFICIALS SAID.

BY FACILITATING INCREASED INDONESIAN FORESTRY PRODUCT EXPORTS, THE OFFICIALS SAID JAPAN HOPES TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE COUNTRY'S GOAL OF REDUCING ITS DEPENDENCE ON OIL AND GAS EXPORTS.

JAPAN IS THE LARGEST IMPORTER OF TROPICAL TIMBER FROM INDONESIA. OFFICIALS SAID THAT IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING A STABLE SUPPLY OF HIGH-GRADE SEEDS FOR AFFORESTATION PURPOSES AND ENHANCING FOREST-RAISING EXPERTISE, THE CENTER WOULD ALSO HAVE AN ENVIRONMENTAL FUNCTION OF SERVING TO PROTECT TROPICAL FORESTS.

OFFICIALS SAID THE REMAINING PORTION OF THE GRANTS, OR UP TO 716 MILLION YEN, WOULD GO TOWARD PROVIDING A NEW BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE INSTITUTE OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS.

THE INSTITUTE PROVIDES THE PLANNING AND TECHNICAL EXPERTISE FOR THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT'S PROGRAM TO BUILD NEW HOUSING AND IMPROVE THE LIVING CONDITIONS FOR ITS CITIZENS, THEY SAID.

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TOKYO (AUG. 15) KYODO - THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) PLANS TO ESTABLISH A COMPUTER NETWORK TO AUGUMENT CHECKS ON EXPORTS TO PREVENT COCOM-RESTRICTED PRODUCTS FROM FINDING THEIR WAY INTO COMMUNIST COUNTRIES, MITI SOURCES SAID.

MITI INVESTIGATES REQUESTS FOR EXPORT PERMITS TO CHECK FOR COMPANIES THAT HAVE VIOLATED THE REGULATIONS OF THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR MULTILATERAL EXPORT CONTROLS (COCOM) OR THOSE ON AN INTERNATIONAL BLACKLIST FOR PAST EXPORTS OF PRODUCTS RESTRICTED BY COCOM.

SINCE THERE ARE ONLY ABOUT 20 MITI OFFICIALS CURRENTLY TO HANDLE SOME 280,000 ANNUAL REQUESTS FOR EXPORT PERMITS, IT IS VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO PROBE ALL THE CASES.

MITI WILL BUILD UP A DATABASE TO STORE INFORMATION ON COCOM RESTRICTIONS AND VIOLATIONS SENT IN FROM AROUND THE WORLD.

THE NEW COMPUTER NETWORK WILL MAKE THE INSPECTION FAR MORE EFFECTIVE AND RELIABLE, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCES.

MITI WILL EARMARK 200 MILLION YEN IN THE FISCAL 1991 BUDGET TO ENABLE IT TO PUT THE NEW SYSTEM INTO PARTIAL USE FROM FISCAL 1992, THE SOURCES SAID.

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TOKYO (AUG. 15) KYODO - THIS YEAR'S STARTING SALARIES FOR NEW WORKERS INCREASED MORE THAN 5 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER, THE LARGEST GROWTH IN NINE YEARS, ACCORDING TO A SURVEY PUBLISHED BY A MAJOR BUSINESS GROUP.

THE SURVEY, CONDUCTED BY THE JAPAN FEDERATION OF EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION (NIKKEIREN), ALSO SAID THE GROWTH ATE WAS SLIGHTLY HIGHER FOR ENGINEERS THAN FOR CLERICAL EMPLOYEES.

THE SURVEY BASED ON A QUESTIONNAIRE CIRCULATED TO NIKKEIREN'S MEMER COMPANIES AND TO WHICH 6 FIRMS REPLIED.

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TOKYO (AUG. 15) KYODO - THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY IS STUDYING ON WHETHER TO ALLOW OIL REFINERS TO EXPAND OIL PRODUCTS TO MAKE UP FOR DECREASED IMPORTS IN THE WAKE OF SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ AND KUWAIT, MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID WEDNESDAY.

JAPAN IMPORTS 49.39 MILLION KILOLITERS OF OIL PRODUCTS, ACCOUNTING FOR 23 PERCENT OF DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION.

KUWAIT IS THE SECOND LARGEST OIL PRODUCT SUPPLIER FOLLOWING SAUDI ARABIA, SUPPLYING 14.0 PERCENT OF JAPAN'S NEEDS.

JAPAN DEPENDS ON KUWAIT FOR 20 PERCENT OF ITS NAPHTHA AND LIGHT OIL SUPPLIES AND MORE THAN 12 PERCENT OF ITS KEROSENE OIL.

THE OFFICIALS SAID IT WOULD BE HARD FOR OIL REFINERS TO FIND ALTERNATE SUPPLIERS BECAUSE THE SUPPLY VOLUME IS LIMITED AND STANDARDS OF OIL PRODUCTS VARY IN PRODUCING COUNTRIES.

THEY SAID PRICE INCREASES OF OIL PRODUCTS ON THE INTERNATIONAL OIL MARKET ARE LARGER THAN THOSE OF CRUDE OIL.

JAPANESE OIL REFINERS HAVE ASKED THE GOVERNMENT TO EXPAND QUOTAS FOR OIL REFINING TO COPE WITH POTENTIAL SUPPLY SHORTAGES.

THE MINISTRY IS CONSIDERING EITHER ADVANCING QUOTAS FOR THE LATTER HALF OF THIS YEAR TO THE FIRST HALF OR TEMPORARILY SHELVING QUOTAS FOR A CERTAIN PERIOD.

IMPORTS OF OIL PRODUCTS FROM KUWAIT WILL COME TO A HALT IN SEPTEMBER.

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OSAKA (AUG. 15) KYODO - ETHNIC KOREAN STUDENTS LIVING IN JAPAN, LONG SHUT OUT FROM MAJOR JAPANESE COMPANIES, ARE FINDING MORE JOB OPPORTUNITIES NOW, THOUGH THEY STILL FACE AN UPHILL STRUGGLE AGAINST NATIVE JAPANESE.

''WE'VE ALREADY EMPLOYED A NUMBER OF FOREIGNERS WHO NEED WORKING VISAS. WE DON'T LIVE IN TIMES WHEN WE HAVE TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST KOREANS LIVING IN JAPAN,'' SAYS AN OFFICIAL AT NEC CORP.'S PERSONNEL DIVISION.

MOREOVER, SOME EMPLOYERS SAY KOREANS ARE BETTER WORKERS THAN JAPANESE. ''BECAUSE THEY GREW UP IN JAPAN AS FOREIGNERS, THEY CAN SEE JAPAN IN AN OBJECTIVE MANNER. THEREFORE, THEY ARE BETTER POSITIONED TO WORK FOR COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS INTERNATIONALLY,'' SAYS A FORMER HEAD OF THE PERSONAL DIVISION AT A MAJOR CORPORATION.

''ALTHOUGH THIS IS SECOND GUESSING, THEY HAVE A HIGH SENSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS WHICH IS A MUST FOR A SALES CLERK WHO MEET A VARIETY OF CUSTOMERS,'' SAYS AN OFFICIAL AT SEIYU LTD., A MAJOR CHAINSTORE OPERATOR.

WITH CORPORATE ATTITUDES TOWARD KOREAN JOB SEEKERS CHANGING IN TANDEM WITH INCREASING LABOR SHORTAGES AT HOME AND GLOBALIZATION OF THEIR BUSINESSES, THE NUMBER OF JOB OFFERS TO KOREAN UNIVERSITY GRADUATES HAS GROWN STEADILY RECENTLY, BUT NOT AT A HIGH TEMPO.

ACCORDING TO A QUARTERLY MAGAZINE SPECIALIZING IN INFORMATION ABOUT JOB HUNTING FOR KOREAN STUDENTS LIVING IN JAPAN, THE NUMBER OF MAJOR COMPANIES WITH KOREAN EMPLOYEES INCREASED TO 369 IN JULY FROM 259 IN SEPTEMBER 1986 WHEN THE MAGAZINE WAS LAUNCHED.

BUT KANG SONG GAE, PUBLISHER OF THE MAGAZINE, COMPLAINS THAT THE PHENOMENON IS CHIEFLY BECAUSE OF DIFFICULTIES JAPANESE FIRMS FACE IN FINDING APPROPRIATE JAPANESE WORKERS.

''THEY ARE FORCED TO HIRE THE KOREANS BECAUSE THEY COULDN'T FIND TALENTED

JAPANESE PEOPLE,'' KANG SAYS, APPARENTLY REFERRING TO FASTER GROWTH IN KOREAN WORKERS AT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.

THE NUMBER OF BANKS, BROKERAGE HOUSES AND INSURANCE COMPANIES PUTTING KOREAN RESIDENTS ON THEIR PAYROLLS JUMPED TO 35 IN JULY FROM 17 IN SEPTEMBER 1986, MIRRORING HIGH COMPETITION TO GET THE PERSONNEL NEEDED TO SURVIVE DURING THE ONGOING LIBERALIZATION OF FINANCIAL MARKETS.

BIG COMPANIES ARE ALSO OPENING THE DOOR WIDER TO KOREAN STUDENTS MAJORING IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENGINEERING, REFLECTING DIFFICULTIES FINDING WELL-EDUCATED ENGINEERS NEEDED TO DEVELOP NEW PRODUCTS.

''THEY STRONGLY WANT TALENTED STUDENTS REGARDLESS OF NATIONALITY,'' SAYS HIDEAKI AKAMATSU, PROFESSOR OF ENGINEERING AT KYOTO UNIVERSITY.

''EVEN STUDENTS FROM EASTERN EUROPE STUDYING HERE ARE ASKED BY SOME COMPANIES NOT TO RETURN HOME. IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT THEY WELCOME KOREAN STUDENTS LIVING IN JAPAN,'' AKAMATSU SAYS.

BUT TOUGH TIMES REMAIN FOR MANY KOREAN STUDENTS LIVING IN JAPAN, PARTICULARLY THOSE STUDYING LIBERAL ARTS, BECAUSE MANY JAPANESE COMPANIES REMAIN CAUTIOUS ABOUT TAKING KOREANS AS SALES STAFF.

''THERE ARE STILL MANY COMPANIES WHICH DO NOT WANT KOREANS LIVING IN JAPAN. I CAN'T FIND OPPORTUNITIES FOR GOING THROUGH MERIT-ORIENTED INTERVIEWS WITHOUT VISITING MANY, MANY COMPANIES,'' SAYS ONE KOREAN STUDENT WHO VISITED MORE THAN 20 COMPANIES IN SEARCH OF A JOB.

A SENIOR OFFICIAL AT ONE MAJOR MANUFACTURING COMPANY PROVIDES THE MAJOR REASON FOR SUCH CAUTION. ''PERSONNEL STAFF VAGUELY ARE AFRAID THAT NON-JAPANESE EMPLOYEES MIGHT DISTURB THE 'HARMONY' AMONG EMPLOYEES WORKING AS MEMBERS OF AN ORGANIZATION,'' HE SAYS.

THE ISSUE IS DEEP ROOTED IN WIDESPREAD DISCRIMINATION AGAINST KOREANS HERE MANY OF WHOM WERE FIRST BROUGHT TO JAPAN AS FORCED LABORERS DURING WORLD WAR II, DESPITE LEGAL GUARANTEES AND FULL FLUENCY IN THE JAPANESE LANGUAGE.

A 22-YEAR-OLD KOREAN STUDENT AT ONE PRIVATE UNIVERSITY IN KYOTO TELLS OF JUST THE TIP OF SUCH DISCRIMINATION STILL EXISTING IN THE JAPANESE COMMUNITY, CITING ADVICE FROM A JAPANESE GRADUATE FROM HIS UNIVERSITY NOW WORKING FOR A MAJOR COMMERCIAL BANK.

''OUR BANK DOESN'T HAVE RACIAL DISCRIMINATION BASED ON NATIONALITY. BUT IF YOU GO OUTSIDE, YOU WILL HAVE TO DO BUSINESS WITH JAPANESE WITH FEELINGS OF DISCRIMINATION (AGAINST KOREANS). EVEN IF YOU FAIL TO GET ALONG WELL WITH SUCH CUSTOMERS, THERE WOULD BE NO EXCUSE FOR YOU TO EXPLAIN YOUR FAILURE,'' THE KOREAN STUDENT QUOTES THE GRADUATE AS SAYING.

''OLDER KOREANS THAN YOU ARE MAKING TWICE AS MANY EFFORTS,'' THE GRADUATE WAS QUOTED AS TELLING THE KOREAN STUDENT.

THOUGH DIFFICULT CONDITIONS SURROUND KOREAN RESIDENTS WORKING AT JAPANESE FIRMS, SOME KOREANS SAY SUCH DIFFICULTIES WILL EASE WITH TIME.

''OLDER-GENERATION JAPANESE WITH DISCRIMINATIVE FEELINGS AGAINST KOREANS WILL LEAVE COMPANIES IN THE FUTURE. AND IF THE NUMBER OF KOREANS WORK FOR MY COMPANY, THE OFFICE ATMOSPHERE WILL BE BETTER FOR US,'' ONE 25-YEAR-OLD KOREAN WORKING FOR A MAJOR PREFABRICATED HOUSE MAKER SAYS.

AT PRESENT, THERE ARE SOME 677,000 KOREANS LIVING IN JAPAN, MAKING UP ABOUT 70 PERCENT OF THE FOREIGN POPULATION AND THUS THE NATION'S LARGEST MINORITY GROUP.

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TOKYO (AUG. 15) KYODO - A RECORD 590 BILLION YEN IN TAX WAS EVADED ON 9,300 LAND DEALS IN THE METROPOLITAN AREA IN THE YEAR TO JUNE, TAX AUTHORITIES REPORTED WEDNESDAY.

THE TAX EVASIONS WERE FOUND OUT THROUGH TAX AUDIT ON 11,200 TAX RETURNS INVOLVING LAND TRANSACTIONS IN THE TOKYO, KANAGAWA, CHIBA AND YAMANASHI PREFECTURES, THE TOKYO REGIONAL TAX ADMINISTRATION OFFICE SAID.

AS ONE OF THE WORST TAX EVADERS, THE OFFICE CITED A TOKYO COMPANY OPERATOR WHO ALLEGEDLY CONCEALED A 900 MILLION YEN KICKBACK FROM A REAL ESTATE FIRM WHILE DECLARING 500 MILLION YEN IN INCOME FROM THE SALE OF A PIECE OF WOODED LAND.

THE MAN WAS LEVIED A TOTAL OF 330 MILLION YEN IN ADDITIONAL AND PUNITIVE TAXES, THE AUTHORITIES SAID.

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TOKYO (AUG. 15) KYODO - THREE PROJECTILES BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN FIRED BY RADICAL LEFTISTS WERE FOUND ON THE ROOFTOP OF THE HEADQUARTERS OF JAPAN BROADCASTING CORP. (NHK) IN TOKYO AND A NEARBY PARKING LOT, POLICE SAID WEDNESDAY.

POLICE ALSO FOUND WHAT APPEARED TO BE A HOMEMADE MORTAR LAUNCHER ON A NEARBY CONSTRUCTION SITE WHERE THE YOYOGI PARK GYMNASIUM IS BEING RENOVATED.

THERE WERE NO REPORTS OF CASUALTIES AND NO DAMAGE WAS CAUSED TO THE BUILDING.

PUBLIC SECURITY OFFICIALS SUSPECT THE PROJECTILES WERE TARGETED AGAINST THE PUBLIC TELEVISION NETWORK IN SHIBUYA IN PROTEST AGAINST WHAT THE LEFTISTS REGARD AS ITS BIASED REPORTS IN SUPPORT OF THE IMPERIAL FAMILY.

THE PROJECTILES RESEMBLED THOSE FIRED TOWARD THE TOKYO RESIDENCE OF PRINCE HITACHI, YOUNGER BROTHER OF EMPEROR AKIHITO, ON JANUARY 8. CHUKAKU-HA, A RADICAL LEFTIST GROUP, LATER CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THAT ATTACK.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 15) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The dollar continues to slide, reaching a postwar low against the mark. ... The Nikkei takes off, rising 1439.59 or 5% for its third largest gain. ... In London, U.S. stocks are trading higher and gold drops back to the $401 level. ... TEXACO says it has signed a preliminary agreement with the SOVIET UNION that could lead to the company's development and production of Soviet oil reserves. ... CHRYSLER Chairman LEE IACOCCA confirmed the automaker has talked with RENAULT, VOLVO and FIAT, but says he does not expect a full merger.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The FEDERAL RESERVE releases industrial production and capacity utilization for July at 9:15 a.m. EDT. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT is scheduled to release June business inventories at 10:00 a.m. EDT. ... The SEC considers various proposals, including to extend a rule exemption to foreign banks, foreign insurance companies and their subsidiaries issuing equity securities. ... KING HUSSEIN of Jordan arrived in Washington early this morning for talks tomorrow with PRESIDENT BUSH on the Mideast crisis.

FROM THE BULLS:

PASADENA GROWTH FUND's ROGER ENGEMANN is fully invested and says that this market is providing "a heck of an opportunity" for the investor. "Pretty soon people will get bored with the blockade, because it's like watching grass grow. They'll start concentrating on other things, and one of the things they'll look at are growth stocks." (WSJ, 8/15)

FROM THE BEARS:

"Market smashes are more frequently a bull market phenomenon than a bear

market event," writes STEPHEN TODD in the "Todd Market Timer." Says Todd, "Bear markets ... come like a thief in the night." Still, Todd is looking for some further price declines and does not yet see evidence of a bottom. "The market is so very oversold, it is doubtful any initial rally will be a lasting one." (CNBC "World Business", 8/15)

STOCK MARKET:

Despite the market holding its own yesterday, LARRY GREEENWALD, a block trader at SANFORD C. BERNSTEIN & CO., says, "It's a little bit early to get excited." The market's sluggish pace "indicates that people are waiting to see what the next move is going to be." (WSJ, 8/15)

"It's going to take some kind of news from the Middle East to make the market rally decisively or drop the 'other shoe,'" says DAN MURPHY of C.J. LAWRENCE. ("The Washington Post", 8/15)

"There's just a lot of waiting and seeing going on here," says ROBERT S. ROBBINS, a market strategist and technical analyst at ROBINSON- HUMPHREY CO. in Atlanta. Mr. Robbins says the market is going through "a smoke clearing" following Iraq's occupation of Kuwait. "We've got more inflation and we've got the threat of a mild recession." He adds, "We could get a bounce all the way up to 2850 on the Dow." (WSJ, 8/15)

"The success in changing near-term direction [in the stock market] will depend on near-term movement in bonds and any positive development coming from the Middle East," says PETER GRENNAN, a senior vice president at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "Presently the market is interested in the immediate future, not the immediate past." As a result Mr. Grennan says, "Economic statistics have less of an influence, but if today's figures are way off street expectations, it could bring the market's attention back to the economy and away from the Middle East." (NYT, 8/15)

"When you have a shock like Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and a big jump in oil prices, people tend to do nothing and go into a foxhole," says JOHN KNAPP, chairman of SECURITIES COUNSELORS OF IOWA in Cedar Rapids. "I think the market's recent sell-off was overdone, and I look for the market to rally, especially if the Mideast tensions abate." That, however, does not mean that Mr. Knapp is bullish since he is holding an above-average cash level in his accounts. "We haven't been optimistic because we felt the blue chips were overextended, while the broad market has been bleak all year. Also, we think it will be difficult for the Federal Reserve to ease because of weakness in the dollar and a rise in foreign interest rates." ("Investor's Daily", 8/15)

"I think the financial markets are going to remain somewhat paralyzed with no clear direction until we see some resolution to what is going on in the Middle East and that doesn't seem likely any time soon," say RICHARD

BERNER, economist at SALOMON BROTHERS. "I think there is an enormous about of risk premium built into the market right now." (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/14)

STOCK TIPS:

SCHERING-PLOUGH is the favorite drug stock of ANDREW ADDISON, publisher of the "Addison Report." This should be the fifth straight year of earnings growth for the drug maker, and the stock has been under strong volume accumulation despite the weak market. Addison says the stock has an upside potential of 25% compared to a downside risk of 10%. UNUM, an insurance holding company, has had explosive earnings growth. The Oppenheimer and Templeton funds own a combined 16% stake in the company, and there has been heavy insider buying. Addison projects the stock into the low 70s. (FNN "World Business Update", 8/15)

STEPHENS INC. recommends stock in HANCOCK FABRICS INC. of Tupelo, Miss. The retailer and wholesaler of fabrics and sewing products has 415 stores in 30 states. The brokerage says earnings should grow 16% to $30 million in the year ending January 1991. Stephens notes that the company has a record of thriving during recessions. ("USA Today", 8/15)

The Mideast crisis demonstrates that the Soviet Union is not the only threat facing the United States, says LOU EHRENKRANTZ of REICH & CO., who looks for defense stocks to be attractive investments this fall whether there is a "shooting war or not." His favorite defense sector is electronic warfare: "Even in the worst days for the defense industry, nobody ever suggested we scrap our radar program -- it really is the cheapest form of protection." Ehrenkrantz likes RAYTHEON which is selling at a three year low and also has a strong consumer electronics business. He would avoid big ticket defense contractors like McDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (FNN "Business Tonight", 8/14)

RAYTHEON is recommended by RICHARD EVANS of "Dow Theory Forecasts," who believes the stock will benefit from turmoil in the Mideast. KODAK remains a worthwhile turnaround selection, says Evans who also likes DISNEY at current prices. On the overall market, Evans says: "The primary trend of the market, under the Dow theory, remains bullish ... The loss of (DJIA) points falls within the parameters of a normal correction." (CNBC "World Business", 8/15)

Even before their latest run-up, JOHN CHARLES POTVIN, senior precious metals analyst at BURNS FRY LTD., liked gold stocks. At today's prices, Mr. Potvin still recommends ECHO BAY MINES LTD., AMERICAN BARRICK RESOURCES CORP. and PLACER DOME INC. long-term, but he classes HOMESTAKE MINING CO. and LAC MINERALS LTD. as "expensive." (WSJ, 8/15)

JOHN KNAPP, chairman of SECURITIES COUNSELORS OF IOWA, likes natural-resource stocks such as PHELPS DODGE CORP., ALUMINUM CO. OF AMERICA, CYPRUS MINERALS INC., HOMESTAKE MINING CO. and BATTLE MOUNTAIN GOLD CO. ("Investor's Daily", 8/15)

At 13, CHRYSLER is selling at a six year low. DAVID HEALY, auto analyst for BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD would buy the stock. "The stock is speculative they have problems. But it's not the kind of problem they had several years ago." While Healy looks for sales and earning to recover next year, he adds, "The stock will not be a comfortable one to own." Rumors of a merger with an overseas car maker are not likely to be realized, according to Healy. (CNN "Business Morning", 8/15)

ARNOLD KAUFMAN, editor of STANDARD & POOR's "Outlook" newsletter, says S&P analysts are recommending stocks with strong overseas revenues including BOEING, KIMBERLY-CLARK, MERCK, PHILIP MORRIS, TERADYNE and TRW. ("USA Today", 8/15)

Interest-sensitive life insurance stocks have taken a beating recently, but TRANSAMERICA CORP. is one stock that was "hit more than is should have been," says DAVID SEIFER, an insurance analyst at DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE SECURITIES CORP. CAPITAL HOLDING CORP. and TORCHMARK CORP. also look like good buys now, in his view. (WSJ, 8/15)

"Our long-standing theme has been that the weak [airline] carriers would be getting weaker and the strong stronger in the 1990s," says analyst MICHAEL DERCHIN of COUNTRY NATWEST. He is among the analysts who see AMR and DELTA as good investments for buyers willing to hold stock for a year or two. Other analysts like ALASKA, AMERICA WEST and SOUTHWEST. But MARK DAUGHERTY of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS thinks it is "a pretty difficult environment for everybody to deal with -- from the strongest to the weakest" and does not recommend buying any airline stocks now. ("USA Today", 8/15)

RICHARD GORDON, senior director of PETROLEUM FINANCE CO., a Washington-based oil and gas consultants firm, would be a long-term player in oils at this point through smaller independent oil companies such as ADOBE RESOURCES CORP. and NOBLE AFFILIATES INC., which have been "overlooked so far in the rush to big-name companies.." He also suggests taking profits now in the "so-called quality integrated companies" that have been among the market's favorites. (WSJ, 8/15)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

Explaining the dollar's slump yesterday, JERRY EGAN, chief currency dealer for the BANK OF BOSTON, says "There was a blunt realization that there is almost no reason to buy the dollar." ("Investor's Daily", 8/15)

"There are a lot of factors adding up to a weak dollar," says WALTER SIMON of JULIUS BAER & CO. "The only thing supporting the dollar is strong stocks. ... The flight to quality effect [for the dollar] is no longer there." Simon continues, "If the [CPI] numbers are weaker than expected, the dollar will probably move lower. If they are stronger, they will not have much effect." (Reuters, 8/14)

"The dollar has so many problems now that there is so much concern about the U.S. economy with the deficits, the S&L crisis and the general state of the economy," says BILL O'NEILL of MERRILL LYNCH. "The dollar is not that attractive to foreigners." (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/14)

"The dollar traditionally used to be the safe haven; now it's not a safe haven because the world is getting wary that Congress cannot and will not address the budget problem," says IAN McDONALD, manager of precious metals for CREDIT SUISSE. "I would say the dollar is going to remain under pressure, particularly with the low interest rates here compared with the rest of the world." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/14)

"On balance, we still think the dollar is likely to drift lower, falling 3% to 5% by year's end and another 5% in the first half of 1991," says ARNOLD KAUFMAN, editor of STANDARD & POOR's "Outlook" newsletter. ("USA Today", 8/15)

"The currency market is reasserting the direction that was in place" before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, says JEFFREY MONDSCHEIN, a managing director at CONTINENTAL BANK. This means a return to the downward trend in the dollar. (WSJ, 8/15)

"As the FOMC [meeting] nears, people will start talking again about a Fed easing," says MICHAEL STRAUSS, money market economist at UBS SECURITIES INC. (Reuters, 8/14)

"Relaxation of tension in the Middle East would see bonds improve," says MICHAEL MOORE, a manager at CONTINENTAL BANK. "A good deal of investor money is parked on the sidelines." ROBERT DICLEMENTE, director of bond market research at SALOMON BROTHERS, agrees, "As long as this [Middle East] crisis hangs in the balance, we're basically held up on the

sidelines. I don't think there's a direction" to the bond market. (Reuters, 8/14)

PRESIDENT BUSH's remarks about the federal budget "were somewhat positive for the [bond] market," says LAWRENCE LEUZZI, a managing director at S.G. WARBURG & COMPANY. "Given everything that has happened in the Middle East and its likely impact on the economy, he could have used this opportunity to backslide on what was needed and to reset the budget negotiations in a framework where smaller cuts would be sought." (NYT, 8/15)

THE ECONOMY:

"I do think the budget process is a problem," says ROBERT GAY, senior economist at MORGAN STANLEY. "I think we need a [federal deficit reduction] package this year." Mr. Gay does not believe that the economy is in a recession. "I think we are looking at a picture where the consumer is still spending, but is very, very cautious." (FNN "Marketwrap" 8/14)

"There is, of course and we all feel it, a certain nervousness in the economy; a certain nervousness related to the political situation in the Mideast," says BRUCE JOHNSON of COOPERS & LYBRAND. "And anytime that there are nervous feelings we've noticed over the years that people cut back on there spending." (FNN "Evening News", 8/14)

"The recent rise in oil prices threatens to keep retail sales growth down in coming months," says RICHARD RAHN, chief economist at the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. "Consumers will spend more on petroleum products, leaving them with less money to spend on other products." Mr. Rahn adds, "When adjusted for inflation, consumer spending will continue to fall for the rest of the 1990." (WSJ, 8/15)

"I'm relatively pessimistic," says AUBREY ZAFFUTO, an economist at IBJ SCHROEDER BANK & TRUST CO. in New York. The latest retail sales report, she says, "is consistent with a consumer probably overburdened with debt, hoping interest rates were going to go down" but haven't, and who "now will be pinched further by rising oil prices." (WSJ, 8/15)

Early August auto sales were down with FORD announcing a 21% decline from last years pace, GENERAL MOTORS posting a 22% decline and CHRYSLER off 38.6%. "People are going to attribute this slowness in the auto market to the Middle East situation," says MARRYANN KELLER of FURMAN SELZ. "The reality is that this economy was going in the tank before" the crisis began. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/14)

Early August car and truck sales for U.S. companies plunged 21.5% from the same month last year. That translates to 6.5 million units in annual sales. "If the month of August as a whole stays at a 6.5 million rate,

you can really conclude the Middle East thing has messed up car sales," says DAVID HEALY of BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD. ("USA Today", 8/15)

"I don't think people are going to stop buying cars because of high fuel prices," says CHRYSLER CORP. chairman LEE IACOCCA. "I think they are going to worry about their jobs and the uncertainty [over] a recession that this Iraq situation may bring upon us." (WSJ, 8/15)

"The farm economy has been its most robust in close to a decade," says NEIL HARL, an agricultural economist at IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY. "Since Iraq we can look ahead to it being less robust." (WSJ, 8/15)

"The [oil] prices are rolling back because there's a rumor on the street that JORDAN's KING HUSSEIN is carrying a special letter [from IRAQI PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN] to GEORGE BUSH," says JOSEPH ANCONA of DANIELS & BELL. SMITH BARNEY analyst GEORGE SPEICHER says, "The situation is so unpredictable. As long as you have some tension, [oil] isn't going to go below $25" a barrel. ("USA Today", 8/15)

IN WASHINGTON:

"We're not going to have a [budget] sequester of $100 billion," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist of "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "I would bet anything we are not going to get a sequester that lasts for a meaningful amount of time, particularly not in these gigantic

numbers. My instinct is they are going to call off Gramm-Rudman." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/14)

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - IDB Communications Group Inc. (NASDAQ: IDBX) today announced second quarter results for the period ended June 30, 1990.

Revenue for the three months ended June 30, 1990 increased 48 percent to $21,791,000 from the $14,696,000 in 1989, while revenue for the six months ended June 30 increased 46 percent to $40,572,000 from $27,826,000 in 1989. The net loss for the second quarter was $640,000, or 10 cents per share, versus net income of $480,000, or 10 cents per share, for the same period in 1989. For the first half of 1990, the net loss was $591,000 or 10 cents per share, versus net income of $845,000, or 17 cents per share, in 1989. Operating cash flow for the first half of 1990, (earnings from operations before depreciation and amortization), increased 15 percent to $9,541,000. Average shares outstanding for the period increased to 6,292,000 as compared to 4,972,000 in 1989.

IDB Communications is actively providing communications services supporting events in the Middle East. The company anticipates a continuing sales shortfall as these revenues commenced well into the third quarter. The sales shortfall, combined with increased amortization and depreciation levels, should result in a net loss for the year.

The strategy of increasing amortization and depreciation increases IDB's cash flow, reduces the income tax level to 39 percent versus 47 percent in 1989, and strengthens the company's balance sheet -- although it reduced net income by approximately $236,000 or 4 cents per share, during the second quarter, and $504,000, or 9 cents per share, for the first half of 1990.

"The company is actively working to bolster its broadcast services sales initiatives, including increasing the size of the sales force. Our continued strong cash flows and the recession resistant nature of our business should allow us the time necessary to increase revenues and control expenses while continuing to build for the future," Cheramy concluded.

IDB Communications Group Inc. is a leading supplier of transmission and distribution services for domestic and international radio, television and data/voice communications via satellite and fiber optics.

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BOSTON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Software Products International (SPI) today announced front-end support for Microsoft's SQL Server database server. SPI's Access SQL is a Windows-based relational database management system (RDBMS) front-end designed to support leading database servers. The product already supports Gupta Technologies' SQL Base.

The announcement, made jointly with Microsoft at the first annual Windows Conference being held this week at the World Trade Center in Boston, confirmed SPI's plan to provide front-end support to Microsoft's SQL Server in the first quarter of 1991.

Access SQL is the first RDBMS for PCs that provides full Structured Query Language (SQL) capabilities for both novice and technical users.

In making announcement, SPI President and Chief Executive Officer John

Bowne said, "Our decision to support SQL Server demonstrates SPI's commitment to users, providing them a flexible interface that supports all the leading database servers. The combination of Access SQL's ability to run multitasking functions through Windows, and SQL Server's powerful database engine means users now have the leverage to take advantage of today's leading edge client-server technology."

Software Products International, based in San Diego, was founded in 1979 to develop, publish and market business software products for personal computers. The company's flagship product, Open Access, is the best-selling multi-function package in Europe. The company is privately held, with product revenues exceeding $18 million for fiscal 1989. The company maintains subsidiaries or master distributors in West Germany, Spain, the United Kingdom, France, Sweden, Brazil, Italy, Argentina, Canada, Australia and the USSR. Internationally, SPI's products are sold through dealers, distributors and national accounts. In the United States, products are sold through a national network of computer resellers and distributors.

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SAN BRUNO, CALIF. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - North Lily Mining Co. (NASDAQ: NLMC) today announced the intent of the company's three Canadian subsidiaries to consolidate. The surviving entity from the consolidation will be International Mahogany Corp.

One common share of each Goldsil Resources Ltd. and Magellan Resources Corp. are to be exchanged for 0.22 class B shares of International Mahogany Corp. Upon completion of the consolidation North Lily will retain control of International Mahogany Corp.

Management views this reorganization as a natural progression which will be beneficial to the future development of the group. The proposed consolidation will greatly simplify the otherwise complex share ownership structure of the company. In addition, it will enable management to focus its attention on only one Canadian subsidiary which will lead to a decrease in administrative costs while streamlining operating activities.

The merger is subject to final approval by independent committees of each of the boards of directors, receipt of the final fairness opinion from Goepel, Shields & Partners Inc. and appropriate regulatory approval. It is anticipated that the merger proposal will be submitted to shareholders for their approval in October.

North Lily Mining Co. is a gold mining company with offices in the United States, Canada and Chile. Established in 1916, North Lily controls a vast property portfolio including two properties which jointly produce 75,000 ounces of gold per annum at an average combined operating cost of $170 per ounce. The company has $66 million in assets, over $9 million in working capital and no long term debt.

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#90227p5504 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Cannell Communications L.P. today finalized the acquisition of television station WUAB, Lorain/Cleveland from Gaylord Broadcasting Company of Ohio, it was announced by William A. Schwartz, president and chief executive officer of Cannell Communications. The station is the leading independent in the Cleveland market, which ranks 11th in the nation in terms of television households.

"The opportunity to become reassociated with WUAB over the past several months has made me even more enthusiastic about the station and the market " said Schwartz, who was an integral part of the station's management team from its inception in September, 1968 through 1973, serving as WUAB's general manager during most of that period.

"I am looking forward to working with Bill Scaffide (WUAB's current general manager) and his excellent management team that has been developed over many years of successful operation," Schwartz added.

Headquartered in Atlanta, Cannell Communications was formed in March 1990 as the broadcasting affiliate of The Cannell Studios in partnership with Schwartz and Saratoga Partners II L.P., an investment fund managed by Dillon, Read & Co. Inc. Dillon, Read & Co. Inc. also acted as a financial advisor to the company in the transaction. The purchase of WUAB represents the company's first of several planned acquisitions. Most recently, the company also announced plans to acquire WHNS, a Fox affiliate which serves the tri-city market of Greenville, S.C., Spartanburg, S.C. and Asheville, N.C.

The Cannell Studios was founded in 1986 by Stephen J. Cannell, who serves as chairman of the board and chief executive officer. It was formed as the parent company for all Cannell owned/operated entities including Stephen J. Cannell Productions Inc., a leading independent producer of primetime television programming; Cannell Films of Canada Ltd., a Vancouver, British Columbia-based production company; North Shore Studios, the largest film and television studio in Canada; Image Point Productions, which principally produces commercials for the national advertising market

and Cannell Distribution, a television programming distribution company.

CONTACT: Diane Passarelli, 213-465-5800, ext. 7984, or Maryann Ridini, VP-publicity, advertising, promotion, 213-465-5800, ext. 7489, both of Stephen J. Cannell Productions

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#90227p5505 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

STATE COLLEGE, PA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - C-COR Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CCBL) announced its financial results for the year ended June 30, 1990, and for the fourth quarter of 1990.

Both year-end revenues and year-end and quarterly income and earnings were at record levels. For the year, C-COR reported net income of $5,520,000 on sales of $60,279,000. This compares to income from continuing operations for fiscal 1989 of $5,195,000 on sales of $53,755,000. Earnings per share for fiscal 1990 were $1.27. This compares to earnings per share for fiscal 1989 of $1.21.

During the fourth quarter, C-COR recorded net income of $1,939,000 on sales of $15,675,000. This compares to income of $1,621,000 on sales of $14,384,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Earnings per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were $.45. This compares to earnings per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989 of $.37. Net income and earnings per share for the fourth quarter of 1990 were at an all-time high.

C-COR Chairman, President, and CEO Richard E. Perry stated, "In spite of the threat of reregulation, C-COR finished FY 1990 with a record third quarter, which was surpassed by our best-ever earnings for the fourth quarter. For FY 1991, we are projecting revenues comparable to those of FY 1990. Once the reregulation issue is settled, we are expecting strong growth in the industry, both domestically and internationally. As was stated in the latest Paul Kagan report, 'The sluggishness in cable TV system development may soon give way to a new growth spurt that could dwarf the mini-boom of the past three years.' Kagan attributes this expected growth to the recent technical advances made in AM fiber and in extended bandwidth products, both very strong products for C-COR.

"We have reason to have a positive outlook for C-COR's FY 1991. Analysts and industry insiders are predicting that Congress will settle on a bill that will represent a good compromise for the cable industry and, according to an article in the Aug. 1 issue of Cable TV Business, there is a forecast of healthy growth and easing of credit to cable system operators. C-COR has been working extremely hard to institute efficiencies and cost-cutting measures during this period of uncertainty. These measures have prepared us well for fiscal 1991 and beyond.

"Over the past several years, C-COR has worked hard to strengthen its fundamentals, positioning itself for solid growth. Evidence of this fact is reflected in the Aug. 7 issue of Financial World in which the publication ranked C-COR number 12 on their list of 500 top growth companies, recognizing the company for its low debt and very strong balance sheet."

C-COR, founded over 35 years ago, designs and manufactures high quality electronic equipment used in cable television and data communication systems. C-COR's headquarters is in State College, Pa., with production facilities in Altoona and State College, Pa. C-COR Electronics Canada, Inc., a subsidiary of C-COR Electronics, Inc. is located in Ontario, Canada, and C-COR Europe B.V., C-COR's European marketing arm, is located in The Netherlands. C-COR's Common Stock is listed in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CCBL.

C-COR ELECTRONICS, INC.

Year Ended June 30,	1990	1989
Net Sales	$60,279,000	$53,755,000
Net Income	5,520,000	5,195,000
Earnings Per Share	$1.27	$1.21
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding	4,358,279	4,305,010
Quarter Ended June 30,	1990	1989
Net Sales	$15,675,000	$14,384,000
Net Income	1,939,000	1,621,000
Earnings Per Share	$.45	$.37
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding	4,375,709	4,349,559

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(unaudited in thousands of dollars except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended		
	June 30 1990	June 30 1989	Increase (Decrease) percent
Net Sales	$15,675	$14,384	9
Cost of Sales	9,636	9,664	0
Sales and Administrative	2,421	2,181	11
Research and Product Development Costs	867	787	10
Foreign Exchange Loss (Gain)	(153)	(92)	66
Interest Expense	11	30	(63)
Investment Income	(88)	(81)	9
Other Expenses (Income)	(146)	(100)	46
	12,548	12,389	1
Income From Operations Before Income Taxes	3,127	1,995	

Income Taxes	1,188	374
Net Income	1,939	1,621
Earnings Per Share	$0.45	$0.37
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding	4,375,709	4,349,559

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(unaudited in thousands of dollars except per share amounts)

	Twelve Months Ended		
	June 30 1990	June 30 1989	Increase (Decrease) percent
Net Sales	$60,279	$53,755	12
Cost of Sales	40,208	35,581	13
Sales and Administrative	8,658	8,202	6
Research and Product Development Costs	3,336	2,398	39
Foreign Exchange Loss (Gain)	(647)	(315)	105
Interest Expense	53	320	(83)
Investment Income	(228)	(255)	(11)
Other Expenses (Income)	(4)	(128)	(97)
	51,376	45,803	12
Income From Operations Before Income Taxes	8,903	7,952	
Income Taxes	3,383	2,757	
Net Income	5,520	5,195	
Earnings Per Share	$1.27	$1.21	
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding	4,358,279	4,305,010	

CONTACT: Sally O. Thiel of C-COR, 814-231-4402

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CLARKSBURG, W.VA. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Alamco Inc. (AMEX: AXO) today announced net income for the second quarter 1990 of $1,372,000, or $.53 per share, after taking into account an extraordinary gain of $1,332,000 or $.51 per share resulting from a $1,395,000 gain due to extinguishment of debt.

This compares to second quarter 1989 net income of $436,000, or $.17 per share. For the first six months of 1990, net income was $2,340,000, or $.91 per share as compared to net income of $1,064,000, or $.41 per share for the first half of 1989.

Income before extraordinary items for the second quarter of 1990 was $40,000, or $.02 per share compared to $242,000 or $.09 per share in 1989.

A loss of $102,000 from operations in the second quarter of 1990 was more than offset by nonoperating income due to an increase in interest income because of higher 1990 cash balances.

In the second quarter of 1990 revenues were $2,105,000, down 22 percent or $583,000 from second quarter 1989 revenues. The revenue decline was primarily attributable to the lower gas prices received by the company under its November 1989 contract reformation agreement with its principal utility customer. Also, gas production volumes were down primarily because the company's principal utility customer unilaterally shut in gas from approximately 400 company operated wells. This shut-in began on or around June 20, 1990, and ended on Aug. 1, 1990, and resulted in a revenue decrease estimated to be $80,000 for the second quarter.

Expenses for the second quarter totaled $2,207,000 and were $133,000 or 6 percent lower than second quarter 1989 expenses of $2,340,000 primarily because of management's success in collecting certain accounts receivable which were written off in prior periods.

Six months 1990 revenues of $4,491,000 were down 17 percent or $924,000 from six months 1989 revenues of $5,415,000. Revenues were down principally for the same reasons as the revenue decline in the second quarter.

Alamco, headquartered in Clarksburg, W.Va., is an independent producer of gas and oil in the Appalachian Basin with a major operating concentration in West Virginia gas fields.

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#90227p5511 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

UPPER SADDLE RIVER, N.J. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Corporation (NYSE: WU) said that its stockholders' meeting, which was adjourned on August 14, is now scheduled to be reconvened at noon today.

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#90227p5512 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OHIO (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Jack C. Goldfrank, the president of Mead Imaging, announced today that the division is reducing its workforce by 151 employees. This action is in response to the previously reported slow development of the overall market for color copiers, and comes as a result of a thorough study of the Mead Imaging business.

Goldfrank said that both the size and the structure of Mead Imaging are being adjusted to reflect the updated assessment of market growth rates. "We still believe the Cycolor technology has great potential, but it's important that we adjust the level of our investment to reflect the rate at which the color copier market is developing. It's now clear that the market is growing at a slower rate than we and others in our industry had originally anticipated," Goldfrank commented.

Goldfrank indicated that the reductions will be effective immediately, and that the company has initiated a comprehensive program to minimize the impact on affected employees. "We are genuinely concerned for our employees and their families. We are providing financial assistance including full pay and benefits for 60 days, followed by a severance package and vesting in Mead's retirement plan. We will also provide outplacement assistance to help our employees find new positions as soon as possible," Goldfrank said.

And, Goldfrank added, "Mead Imaging employees are highly-trained and skilled workers with deep technical knowledge and an understanding of the latest quality techniques. I consider them very employable. We'll do everything possible to help them find suitable career opportunities."

Today's action reduces the workforce of Mead Imaging by 43 percent. The division has consolidated three separate organizations within the division into a single management structure.

Steven C. Mason, president and chief operating officer of the Mead Corporation (NYSE: MEA), said these changes at Mead Imaging do not alter the company's confidence in Cycolor and its commitment to its hardware partners. "We plan to continue the aggressive development of our products and the market for color imaging," Mason said.

Mead Imaging, a division of the Mead Corporation, develops and manufactures Cycolor imaging products, which are presently sold with color copiers offered by Brother Industries, Gestetner Corporation and the Seiko Mead Company, as well as 35mm slide printers sold by Noritsu America Corporation and Seiko Mead.

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#90227p5514 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BATTLE CREEK, MICH. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Kellogg Company (NYSE: K) today declared a dividend on the common stock of the company of 48 cents per share, payable Sept. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 3, 1990.

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#90227p5515 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - J.A.M. Inc. (NASDAQ: JAMY), a Rochester based training and information services company, has announced its unaudited operating results for the second quarter of 1990. Net earnings for the second quarter were $2,378 as compared to a net loss of $107,511 for the corresponding quarter in 1989. Sales for the second quarter of 1990 totaled $640,599, an increase of $77,087, or 14 percent, over sales of $563,512 for the corresponding quarter a year ago. Net earnings for the first six months of 1990 amounted to $3,214 as compared to a net loss of $326,449 for the same six-month period of 1989. Sales for the first six months of 1990 totaled $1,133,850, an increase of $218,200, or 24 percent, over sales of $915,650 for the same 1989 period.

Company performance continued to improve in the second quarter of 1990 due to the 14 percent increase in revenues and lower operating expenses. The company began to reduce operating and marketing expenses in the fourth quarter of 1989 to realign expenses with anticipated 1990 revenues.

JAM designs and produces a diverse range of training and information services for business, government and educational clients. These services include instructional design and training program development, software design and programming for computer based training (CBT) and interactive simulations, and video production and post production. The company also integrates and markets hardware systems for turnkey interactive CBT and videodisc instructional delivery.

Corporate offices and video studios are located at 300 Main St., East Rochester, NY.

CONTACT: John A. Marszalek, president of J.A.M., Inc., 716-385-6740

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#90227p5516 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - FLGI Acquisition Corp. announced today that its tender offer for all outstanding shares of common stock of General Instrument Corporation (NYSE: GRL) for $44.50 per share in cash expired yesterday at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, in accordance with the terms of the offer as previously extended, and that 29,910,393 General Instrument shares (approximately 95.5 percent of the outstanding shares) were validly tendered and accepted for payment by FLGI Acquisition Corp.

Of the total number of General Instrument shares validly tendered, 25,230,787 shares were tendered by physical delivery and 4,679,606 shares

by notice of guaranteed delivery.

As previously announced, the tender offer will be followed by a merger under which each remaining publicly held share will be converted into $44.50 in cash.

FLGI Acquisition Corp. is a corporation formed by Forstmann Little & Co.

CONTACT: Linda Gay Blanc of Clark & Weinstock, 212-953-2550, or John Scanlon, 212-704-8126, both for Forstmann Little

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#90227p5517 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Accor S.A. today announced that as of midnight, New York City Time, on Tuesday, Aug. 14, 1990, it had preliminarily determined that approximately 53,221,369 depositary units of Motel 6, L.P. (NYSE: SIX) had been validly tendered (and not withdrawn) pursuant to the tender offer made by IBL Acquisition, L.P., a limited partnership consisting of wholly owned subsidiaries of Accor S.A. The tender offer, which was for all outstanding common limited partnership interests of Motel 6, L.P., expired at that time.

IBL Acquisition has accepted and paid for all of the depositary units validly tendered prior to the expiration of the tender offer. These units constitute in excess of 99 percent of the 53,454,733 outstanding common limited partnership interests of Motel 6, L.P. on a fully diluted basis.

The tender offer was made pursuant to an acquisition agreement dated as of July 12, 1990, among Accor S.A., IBL Acquisition, L.P. and Motel 6, L.P. The acquisition agreement provides, among other things, that after the completion of the tender offer, and subject to the terms and conditions of the acquisition agreement, an depositary units not acquired in the tender offer will be redeemed or acquired in a subsequent merger for $22.50 per unit in cash.

CONTACT: Michael Claes or Jerry Seeman of Burson-Marsteller, 212-614-5236 or 212-614-5135, for Accor

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#90227p5519 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Bill Murto co-founder and former vice president of sales, marketing and service for Compaq Computer Corporation (NYSE: CPQ), was named to the board of directors of NeuroGenesis Incorporated. The announcement was made today by Al Beiser, NeuroGenesis' president and chairman.

At Compaq, Murto was instrumental in putting the marketing and sales teams together that enabled Compaq Computer Corporation to become the first corporation in business history to achieve Fortune 500 status within four years of operations and to achieve over $1 billion sales within the first five years.

"Mr. Murto's addition to the board along with the recent completion of a private placement offering from which over $500,000 was raised will provide NeuroGenesis with the resources and directorship needed to dramatically expand the marketing and sales of our consumer health product line," said Beiser. "I welcome Mr. Murto to the board and look forward to working closely with him."

NeuroGenesis, through its wholly owned subsidiary Matrix Technologies Inc. markets amino acid food supplements for the specific needs of people suffering from addictive and compulsive behaviors, including alcoholism and cocaine addiction. The products are based on the work of Dr. Kenneth Blum, professor of pharmacology at the University of Texas, whose most recent work indicated a potential specific gene link to alcoholism.

Since leaving Compaq, Murto co-founded and is president of C&M Film Productions Inc., a film production company dedicated to the empowerment of the human spirit. He serves as one of the executive producers of a feature film based on the New York Times bestseller "Joshua and the Children."

Prior to his years at Compaq, Murto served in several marketing and managerial capacities at Texas Instruments. He holds an MBA degree from the University of Texas and is owner and chairman or the board of TravelPro, a Texas travel agency.

CONTACT: Al Beiser, president of NeuroGenesis, 713-488-7867, or 1-800-345-8912; or Ted Klein & Company, 212-477-9007, for NeuroGenesis

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#90227p5521 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Summa Medical Corp. (AMEX: SU) today announced that it has purchased I.C.M.X. of McLean, Va. for restricted stock in a transaction which could total $4.5 million. The agreement calls for the payment of $700,000 in stock at closing. In the event that revenues of I.C.M.X. increase over a three year period from the closing, the purchase price will increase by an agreed upon formula, but in no event will it exceed $4.5 million. John Royall, president of I.C.M.X. estimated that revenues over the next five years could total $100,000,000 with a potential of $15,000,000 over the next immediate calendar year.

I.C.M.X. which will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Summa Medical is engaged in marketing and wholesale distributing of over 200 major brands of computers and computer related products and telecommunications products to commercial and government customers in the U.S. and abroad.

I.C.M.X. products are currently being used by the U.S. Department of Defense and numerous civilian government agencies such as the Departments of Justice, Treasury, and private corporations, such as Computer Dynamics Inc., Datalink Software, Solutions Inc., Lightwave Systems Inc., and Wright and Co.

The acquisition of I.C.M.X. will not affect the agreement between the two companies on HDCD announced on June 22, 1990.

I.C.M.X. will be an effective marketing arm for Summa's subsidiaries in addition to their own product lines in the distribution of display and voice compression products being developed by Summa.

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#90227p5523 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Genelabs and Abbott Laboratories (NYSE: ABT) announced today that an agreement has been reached to grant Abbott rights to the production and marketing of Hepatitis E Virus (HEV) immuno diagnostics, based on Genelabs' generation of HEV antigens using their proprietary gene cloning technology.

Under the agreement, Abbott will receive exclusive commercial production and marketing rights worldwide. Genelabs will retain co- marketing rights in certain countries in Asia. The companies will cooperate in the joint development of diagnostic products.

Terms of the Abbott-Genelabs agreement have not been announced but will include cash payments by Abbott during the development phases and subsequent royalties to Genelabs.

"This agreement is an ideal partnership, combining Genelabs' research expertise in virology with Abbott's leadership in diagnostics," said Frank Kung, president and chief executive officer of Genelabs. "It will enable us to get a reliable diagnostic into the marketplace as quickly as possible."

HEV is believed to be responsible for many of the recent major hepatitis epidemics that have occurred worldwide. Before its recent molecular characterization, this form of epidemic hepatitis was called enterically transmitted non-A, non-B hepatitis, due to its transmission primarily

through contaminated drinking water. Outbreaks have been reported mostly in urbanized areas of developing countries but have also occurred in rural areas of developed countries.

Fatality rates associated with HEV infection range from 0-2 percent in most cases, but the virus is particularly serious for pregnant women, who have a case fatality rate of up to 20 percent following HEV infection. An HEV diagnostic test will allow a determination of the true extent of this disease and may help refine the diagnosis of acute viral hepatitis in all settings.

The cloning of HEV was facilitated by collaborative research conducted at the Hepatitis Branch, Centers for Disease Control, Atlanta.

Genelabs Inc. is a privately held company applying biotechnology to the development of new pharmaceutical products, focusing in the areas of virology and inflammation. Founded in 1984, Genelabs has 120 employees and is located in Redwood City.

Abbott Laboratories is a worldwide manufacturer of health care products employing 42,000 people. In 1989, the company had revenues of $5.4 billion and net earnings of $860 million, respectively, with earnings per share of $1.93.

CONTACT: Debra Bannister of Regis McKenna, 415-354-4414, for Genelabs; or Charles P. Weber of Abbott Laboratories, 708-937-4995

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#90227p5525 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OHIO (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - KRUG International (NASDAQ: KRUG) today announced fiscal 1991 first quarter revenues and net earnings. Revenues for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $25.6 million, up $4.6 million or 22 percent, from $21.0 million recorded in the first quarter last year. Net earnings were $757,000 or $.18 per share for the quarter this year compared to $361,000 or $.09 per share for the same period last year.

The revenue growth for the first quarter reflects increases in all of the corporation's U.S. Aerospace and U.K. Leisure Marine and Housewares businesses. Net earnings increased in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 by approximately $400,000 compared to last year's first quarter. This was due to the increase in revenues, improved gross profit margins in the Aerospace businesses and the favorable effect of currency translation rate differences.

Discussions with the corporation's U.S. banks continue in an effort to finalize a banking agreement which would provide adequate working capital

to meet financing needs of the corporation. Under the provisions of the proposed agreement, the corporation's existing credit lines of $13.6 million would be converted into a two-year, secured, revolving credit facility with greater borrowing capacity than previously available. The company maintains bank credit lines in the U.K. that are adequate to fund the capital needs of the U.K. operations.

KRUG International is composed of Aerospace operations in the United States and Commercial/Consumer operations in the United Kingdom. The U.S. Aerospace operations are engaged in biotechnological research; design, fabricate and maintain automated test equipment, simulation and training systems and design and install local area networks with emphasis on fiber optics. The U.K. Commercial/Consumer Group manufactures housewares and garden products and distributes leisure marine equipment.

KRUG International common shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol KRUG; Wall Street Journal OTC National Market issue, symbol KRUG.

KRUG INTERNATIONAL ANNOUNCES FISCAL 1991
FIRST QUARTER RESULTS
Amounts in $000s, except share and per share amounts

	Three Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$25,613	$20,995
Net Earnings	$757	$361
Net Earnings Per Share	$.18	$.09
Average Common and Common Equivalent Shares Outstanding	4,116,994	4,124,551

CONTACT: Ellen H. Geron of KRUG International, 513-224-9066

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#90227p5527 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Richfood Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: RCHFA) today announced net earnings for the twelve week period ended July 21, 1990, of $1.87 million, or $.18 per share, compared to net earnings from continuing operations of $128,000, or $.01 per share, in the comparable period ended July 22, 1989. After accounting for discontinued operations in the comparable prior year period the company experienced a $366,000 net loss, ($.04 per share).

Sales for the first quarter were $237.7 million, compared to $246.4 million from continuing operations for the comparable period last fiscal year. The prior year period includes $12.0 million of sales from the previously terminated supply relationship with A&P/Super Fresh.

The company will hold its annual meeting of shareholders on August 30, 1990 at 11:00 A.M. at Crestar Bank, 919 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia.

Richfood is the largest wholesale food distributor serving its Mid-Atlantic operating region. It supplies approximately 600 supermarkets with a complete line of grocery products, frozen foods, dairy, fresh produce and meat.

RICHFOOD HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	First Quarter Ended			
	July 21, 1990 (12 weeks)		July 22, 1989 (12 Weeks)	
Sales	$ 237,671	100.00 pct.	$ 246,438	100.00 pct.
Cost and Expenses:				
Cost of goods sold	220,661	92.84	228,498	92.73
Operating and administrative expenses	13,128	5.52	15,604	6.33
Interest expense	1,159	0.49	2,318	0.94
Other income	(287)	(0.12)	(188)	(0.08)
Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes	3,010	1.27	206	0.08
Income tax provision	1,144	0.48	78	0.03
Earnings from continuing operations	1,866	0.79	128	0.05
Loss from discontinued operations, net of taxes	--	--	(494)	(0.20)
Net earnings (loss)	$ 1,866	0.79	$ (366)	(0.15)
Earnings (loss) per common share from: Continuing operations	$ 0.18	--	$ 0.01	--
Discontinued operations	--	--	$ (0.05)	--
Net earnings (loss) per common share	$ 0.18	--	$ (0.04)	--
Average common shares outstanding	10,432,451	--	10,432,451	--

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PRINCETON, NJ (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Dataram Corp. (AMEX: DTM) a developer, manufacturer, and marketer of innovative computer memory and peripheral products, achieved considerably improved first quarter fiscal 1991 results in revenues and earnings per share, although net earnings slightly trailed those reported in the year-earlier period.

Revenues for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990, were $6.8 million compared to the $3.8 million reported in the year-earlier period. Net earnings were $377,000 or $.30 per share, vs. $415,000 or $.21 per share, in the prior year first quarter.

Earnings from operations increased to $505,000 vs. $377,000, while other income (principally earnings from cash on hand) decreased to $63,000 from $206,000 for the same period the year before.

Robert V. Tarantino, president and chief executive officer, attributed the substantial sales increase and sustained strong results to Dataram's entry last year into the rapidly expanding computer workstation market. He added that product mix and reduced investment income adversely affected net earnings.

"Although our margins for memory-enhancing products sold to workstation and minicomputer users are satisfactory, they're lower than such specialized products as our Wide Word system," he said. "Wide Word is experiencing softness in a primary market - government defense contracts, and there's no way of telling how long this slackened demand will continue."

Tarantino said the company on Feb. 1, 1990, utilized $7.4 million of its cash on hand to purchase and retire 739,353 shares of common stock. This transaction reduced cash which previously generated considerable investment income. Dataram has $3 million cash on hand and an untapped $10 million line of credit, he emphasized.

"Last year we invested substantially in strengthening our product development, sales and marketing capabilities to successfully enter a promising new market," the chief executive officer stated. "We are now a major presence in the dynamic workstation memory market as significant suppliers to users of workstations produced by Digital Equipment Corp., Hewlett-Packard and Sun Microsystems.

"Because of the considerable expenditures incurred in fiscal 1990, we believe we can continue obtaining a larger share of this burgeoning market utilizing our existing capabilities, without resorting to increased levels of spending."

CONTACT: Frank Kardashian, VP-Finance of Dataram, (609) 799-0071.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Momentum, Inc. (NASDAQ: MMNT) had sales of $22,500,000 and net earnings of $124,800, or one cent a share, for the first half ended June 30, 1990, it was reported today by Edwin M. Roth, chairman and chief executive officer. In the year-ago first half, the company had a loss of $251,800, or two cents a share, on sales of $22,600,000.

"We operated at a profit in this year's first half on sales nearly equal to those of the year-ago first half largely due to improved margins reflecting operating efficiencies and a better product mix," Roth said.

"Sales and earnings for the second quarter were adversely affected by a temporary slowdown in the receipt of imported raw materials which impeded the company's ability to ship product. This situation now has been corrected and order backlog is strong."

Sales of the company's barrier packaged aerosol products, which eliminate the emission of aerosol propellent, are increasing as they gain wider customer acceptance and use, Roth said.

"We are continuing to meet interest and debt amortization obligations incurred in the acquisition of Aerosol Systems, Inc. from cash generated through operations," he added.

Momentum, through its subsidiary Aerosol Systems, Inc., is principally a custom formulator and aerosol packager of lubricants, cleaners, degreasers, and other products for the automotive aftermarket and the industrial maintenance market. The company also owns and operates five Chuck E. Cheese family oriented restaurants in Ohio.

First Half Results (Unaudited)

Period Ended June 30:	6 Months		3 Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$22,466,108	$22,608,963	$11,165,793	$11,696,757
Operating profit (loss)	2,634,488	2,444,340	1,195,073	1,242,386
Net earnings (loss)	124,830	(251,761)	(21,214)	(148,661)
Earnings (loss) per common share	.01	(.02)	.00	(.01)
Weighted average shares outstanding	14,107,422	13,566,364	14,115,755	14,099,088

CONTACT: Edwin M. Roth, chairman and chief executive officer of Momentum, Inc., (216) 468-1380.

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#90227p5536 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Snyder Oil Corporation (NYSE: SNY) today announced its results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990. The second quarter was the first period which reflects the benefits of SOCO's March 31, 1990 acquisition of Snyder Oil Partners.

Revenues for the period rose sharply to $21.4 million vs. $6.2 million in the prior year. Operating income in the quarter jumped 180 percent from 1989 levels to $9.4 million. After-tax operating cash flow more than doubled to $6.2 million. Net income and net income per share decreased to $1.1 million ($.05 per share) primarily due to increased depletion, higher interest expense and administrative costs. The per share results also reflected the increased number of shares outstanding following the acquisition.

While the company's results reflect sharp improvements from the 1989 periods, they lag the prior year's pro forma numbers due to lower energy prices and production declines associated with the lack of significant acquisitions in the first half of 1990.

The impact of the recent climb in oil prices, resumption of acquisition activity in the second half, and efficiencies to be realized from the consolidation are expected to contribute significantly beginning in the fourth quarter.

The company also announced further progress in its exploration program. A preliminary agreement has been reached with a major oil company to buy into SOCO's Pawnee project, completing the participant group. The project is designed to exploit a portion of SOCO's extensive acreage position in the Niobrara Chalk of the Denver-Julesberg Basin.

Definitive agreements are expected to be signed within two weeks. Including the Pawnee project, the company plans to participate in up to ten exploratory wells, most of which are horizontal tests, on its acreage in Texas, Colorado and Montana within the next 6-12 months.

SOCO is an independent oil corporation engaged in the acquisition, production, development and exploration of domestic oil and gas properties and in natural gas processing and transportation.

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#90227p5538 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
BEAVERTON, OR (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Epitope Inc. (AMEX: EPT) announced today the appointment of John H. Fitchen, M.D., as Vice President-Research and Clinical Activities.

Fitchen will be responsible for overseeing all Epitope research activities. He will also be responsible for operating the clinical reference laboratory activities of Immunologic Associates (an Epitope division) and will coordinate the upcoming clinical trials of the company's saliva-based AIDS test.

Prior to joining Epitope, Fitchen was Associate Chief of Staff for Research at the Portland Veterans Administration Medical Center and Professor of Medicine at Oregon Health Sciences University.

As co-inventor of Epitope's antimicrobial compounds, he also served as a consultant to the company on its research and development project with SmithKline Beecham and other related activities.

"Dr. Fitchen's knowledge of our emerging technologies, coupled with his experience as a physician and medical researcher are particularly important as we move forward with clinical trials on our saliva-based AIDS test and development of new antimalarial compounds with SmithKline Beecham.

"Furthermore, with Dr. Fitchen in place, I can now devote my full efforts to my new role of CEO," said Dr. Adolph J. Ferro, president and chief executive officer.

Epitope Inc. is an Oregon corporation utilizing biotechnology to develop diagnostic tests for AIDS, therapeutic drugs for protozoan diseases and, through its agricultural unit, Agritope Inc., agronomically superior new plant varieties.

CONTACT: Gilbert N. Miller of Epitope Inc., (503) 641-6115; or Shari Annes of Annes Associates, (415) 781-5400.

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#90227p5539 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
PORTLAND, OR (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Bioject Medical Systems Ltd. (NASDAQ: BJCTF) today announced that it has secured commitments from nine unaffiliated institutional investors, based in the United Kingdom, to purchase 1,025,000 shares of common stock at $4 per share.

Each share purchased is accompanied by one-half of a warrant; each warrant

grants the holder the right to purchase an additional share at $5.25 per share for two years. The closing will occur following the effective date of a registration statement to be filed in August by Bioject with the SEC.

Bioject's additional financing coincides with the product launch of its needleless injection system which promises to help eliminate needle-stick injuries and cross-contamination problems associated with the standard needle-syringe.

Bioject Inc. is a Portland-based company specializing in new drug delivery systems. The company develops, manufactures and markets needleless syringes for widespread use in the healthcare industry.

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#90227p5540 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW HAVEN, MICH. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Margate Ventures, Inc. (NASDAQ: CGUL) reported financial results for its second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Net income for the three months was $298,189, or 1.3 cents per share, on sales of about $8 million, compared with net income of $408,749, or 2.0 cents per share, on sales of about $9.9 million for the same period in 1989.

Year-to-date net income was $423,615, or 1.9 cents per share, on sales of about $15.3 million, compared with net income of $117,297, or 0.6 cents per share, on sales of about $18.3 million for the same period last year.

Although 1990 year-to-date sales were lower than the same period for 1989, net income rose because of cost-reduction measures and the closing of West Haven Castings Co.

On July 19, 1990, the company finalized its agreement with Wesley Industry Inc. for the sale of 55 percent of the common stock of New Haven Foundry. In accordance with the agreement, Margate has received $1.5 million cash and an $89,000 six-year Promissory Note. In addition to the proceeds from the sale, Margate is expected to continue improving its cash flow with commissions of at least $150,000 per year from Wesley Industry and by performing cleaning, grinding and testing services for New Haven Foundry under an exclusive, 10-year contract.

Margate Ventures, Inc. is a holding company whose active subsidiaries include Michigan Casting Corporation and Brown City Casting Corp., both finishers of ferrous castings, primarily for the automotive industry. Margate also owns a 45-percent interest in New Haven Foundry. Margate

Ventures' common stock is traded publicly by NASDAQ under the symbol CGUL.

MARGATE VENTURES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$7,978,042	$9,910,094	$15,327,101	$18,339,664
Cost of sales	6,898,580	8,767,999	13,535,769	16,730,736
Gross profit	1,079,462	1,142,095	1,791,332	1,608,928
Selling, general & administrative expenses (including sales commissions to a related company of $142,759 and $186,698 for the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively)	632,673	559,112	1,121,220	1,157,444
Income from operations	446,789	582,983	670,112	451,484
Interest expense	135,083	174,234	292,336	334,187
Gain (loss) on disposal of West Haven Castings Co.	(13,517)	---	45,839	---
Income - before minority interest in subsidiary loss	298,189	408,749	423,615	117,297
Minority interest in subsidiary loss	---	---	---	---
Net income	$298,189	$408,749	$423,615	$117,297
Net income per share of common stock	$0.013	$0.020	$0.019	$0.006

CONTACT: Susan Wetter of Margate Ventures, Inc., 313-749-5111

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#90227p5541 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Salem Corporation (AMEX: SBS) today reported net income for the three months ended June 30, 1990 of $337,000 or $.27 per share on gross revenues of $28,908,000. This compares to net income of $304,000 or $.24 per share on revenues of $29,834,000 during the same period in 1989.

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $552,000 or $.42 per share on gross revenues of $53,932,000. This compares to net income of

$746,000 or $.60 per share on revenues of $55,090,000 during the same period in 1989. Backlog at June 30, 1990 was $79.3 million as compared to $64.3 million at the beginning of the year.

SALEM CORPORATION SUMMARY OF CONSOLIDATED OPERATING RESULTS
(In thousands except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	3 Months Ended June 30,		6 Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Gross revenues	$28,908	$29,834	$53,932	$55,090
Net income	$ 337	304	$ 552	746
Earnings per share	$ .27	.24	$ .42	.60

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#90227p5542 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHEELING, WV (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp. (NYSE: QWHX) said today that the tentative labor settlement reached with the United Steelworkers of America (USW) will result in a reduction of distributions under the plan of reorganization with respect to certain classes of claims.

The specific effect on distributions will be reflected in an amended plan which will be filed with the bankruptcy court in the near future.

The spokesman for the company also said that the new common stock and warrants to be issued under the previously filed plan will be increased by an additional 1,500,000 shares of common stock to be issued after confirmation to participants in the company's existing Employee Investment Plan.

The additional shares will result in dilution of new common equity holders' interests beyond that contemplated in the plan now on file in the bankruptcy court.

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#90227p5543 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Cooker Restaurant Corporation (NASDAQ: COKR) today announced the opening of its eleventh Cooker Bar & Grille. This restaurant, which opened Aug. 12, is located on the east side of Columbus, Ohio and marks Cooker's third restaurant in Columbus.

Cooker also announced it has acquired property in Cincinnati for the opening of its twelfth restaurant, which will open later this year. Located at I-71 and Mason-Montgomery Road, one exit north of I-275, the restaurant will be Cooker's first in Cincinnati.

Cooker owns and operates full service restaurants in Tennessee, Indiana, Ohio and Michigan. Cooker features moderately priced menu items prepared from original recipes using high quality fresh ingredients. The menu includes appetizers, soups, salads, chicken, fish and beef entrees, sandwiches, burgers and desserts, as well as alcoholic beverages.

The company's common shares are traded on the NASDAQ-National Market System under the symbol "COKR."

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#90227p5546 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - NVF Company (PSE) reported results for the six months and quarter ended June 30, 1990.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990 NVF reported net sales and operating revenues of $59.7 million and a net loss of $3.7 million ($.04 per share) compared with revenues of $68.8 million and a net loss of $7.3 million ($.08 per share) for the comparable period of 1989. Results for the first six months of 1990 included equity in net earnings of affiliates of $367,000 ($.00 per share) compared to equity in net loss of affiliates of $5.6 million ($.06 per share) in the same period of 1989.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, the company reported net sales and operating revenues of $28.9 million and a net loss of $2.8 million ($.03 per share) compared with revenues of $32.7 million and a net loss of $4.6 million ($.05 per share) for the comparable period of 1989. Results for the second quarter of 1990 included equity in net earnings of affiliates of $153,000 ($.00 per share) compared to equity in net loss of affiliates of $3.2 million ($.03 per share) in the same period of 1989.

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#90227p5547 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOMERS, NY (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Pepsi-Cola Company announced today the appointment of David Novak, formerly senior vice president of marketing at Pizza Hut, a division of PepsiCo, Inc. (NYSE: PEP), as executive vice

president of marketing. Michael D. Simpson, formerly executive vice president of marketing and national sales for Pepsi's domestic soft drink operation, has assumed a new executive vice president position that will focus on worldwide customer services. Simpson will now report directly to PepsiCo Worldwide Beverages President and Chief Executive Officer Roger Enrico.

Novak's new responsibilities will include leading the full range of Pepsi's national marketing and promotional efforts as well as directing Pepsi's research and technical services and new product development.

In making the announcement, Pepsi-Cola Company President and CEO Craig E. Weatherup said, "This is exciting news about very talented people. These moves reflect our commitment to develop the best trained leaders in the industry while accelerating Pepsi's profitable growth."

Simpson came to Pepsi in 1989 following nine years with Kellogg Company. Novak joined Pizza Hut in 1986 as senior vice president of marketing, having most recently worked for Tracy-Locke/BBDO as executive vice president and director of account services, where he handled the account for PepsiCo's Frito-Lay division.

"We're pleased to have the opportunity to broaden the contributions of these proven experienced executives," said Weatherup. "We're confident that Dave Novak will be able to build on the many accomplishments made during Mike Simpson's tenure."

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#90227p5549 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WORCESTER, MASS. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Transgenic Sciences, Inc. (NASDAQ: TSIN) reported financial results for the three and 12-month periods ended July 1, 1990, including a profitable fourth quarter.

For the fourth quarter, the company had total revenues of $3.1 million with expenses of $3,060,000, and a resulting profit of $40,000. In the comparable quarter last year, TSI reported a loss of $567,000, or 13 cents per share, on revenues of $45,000, and expenses of $612,000.

For the full year, TSI revenues totaled $6,858,000 and expenses were $7,944,000 with a resulting net loss of $1,086,000, or 17 cents per share. In fiscal 1989, the company reported revenues of $105,000, expenses of $1,326,000 and a resulting net loss of $1,221,000.

"Fiscal 1990 was an eventful and extremely successful year," said James Sherblom, chairman and CEO of TSI. "Aided by the acquisition of Mason

Research Institute in December and the recent purchase of Laboratory Animal Services, we made the critical transition from a development-stage company to a profitable operating business. Beginning in the second half of the fiscal year, TSI was profitable even after covering research expenses. In addition, through two agreements we took important first steps toward addressing the Japanese biomedical testing market. This market represents one-third of the world's preclinical testing.

"Over the next several years, we expect to grow both through additional acquisitions that will be enhanced by our proprietary technology, and through internal growth. We believe that this strategy will prove the fastest way to reap maximum value from our underlying technology.

"Complementing our progress in generating near-term growth in pharmaceutical testing, were research advances to help position the company to be a leader in manufacturing pharmaceutical proteins and in specialty food production in the mid-to-late 1990s. These advances were highlighted by the development, in collaboration with researchers in the Department of Veterinary and Animal Sciences at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, of a commercial prototype system for producing human pharmaceutical proteins in animal milk," Sherblom concluded.

TSI is a life sciences company developing advanced toxicology tests and disease models based on genetic engineering and transgenic techniques to improve the efficiency of the pharmaceutical/chemical development process. TSI is also developing animal strains capable of producing commercially valuable pharmaceutical proteins, as well as strains with desirable growth and genetic characteristics.

TRANSGENIC SCIENCES, INC.
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended (unaudited)		Year Ended	
	7/1/90	6/30/89	7/1/90	6/30/89
Revenues:				
Commercial	$2,517	---	$5,371	---
Research & development	580	23	1,419	76
Interest	3	22	68	29
Total	3,100	45	6,858	105
Costs and Expenses:				
Commercial	1,649	---	3,828	---
Research & development	594	237	1,935	435
General & administrative	777	361	2,003	839
Interest	40	14	178	52
Total	3,060	612	7,944	1,326
Net income (loss)	$40	$(567)	$(1,086)	$(1,221)
Net income (loss) per				

common share	1 cent	(13 cents)	(17 cents)	(40 cents)
Number of shares outstanding for purposes of computing net (income) loss per share	6,899,641	4,308,172	6,282,641	3,038,599

CONATCT: John B. Green, Jr., senior vice president of Transgenic Sciences, 508-791-0931; or Robert Gottlieb, vice president of Peter Feinstein, Inc., for Transgenic Sciences, 617-577-8110

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FARMINGDALE, NY (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Action Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MDCI) today reported higher sales and profits for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

MEDICAL ACTION INDUSTRIES, INC.
(Unaudited)

Three months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Net sales	$6,592,158	$6,044,615
Income (loss) before taxes	46,509	(145,248)
Net income (loss)	33,259	(137,261)
Earnings per share	$.01	($.03)
Wtd. avg. no. of shares outstdg.	5,020,400	5,067,934

Sales for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $6,592,158 as compared to sales of $6,044,615 for the three months ended June 30, 1989 or an increase of 9 percent. The net income for the three months ended June 30, 1990 was $33,259 or 1 cent per share as compared to a net loss of $137,261 or 3 cents per share for the three moths ended June 30, 1989.

Joseph R. Meringola, president and CEO indicated that "sales of our laparatomy sponges continue to show increases, and we have started to receive O.R. Towels from China on a more timely basis which has led to increased sales. In addition, cost control programs implemented during fiscal 1990 have started to more fully impact our operational results."

Medical Action Industries Inc. is a leading domestic supplier of medical disposable lap sponges and towels, and markets a variety of surgical-related products.

CONTACT: Paul V. Rossi, vice president of Medical Action Industries, 516-249-6620

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#90227p5551 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANDOVER, MD. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Hechinger Company (NASDAQ-NMS: HECHA, HECHB) today announced the Aug. 19 opening of their first two Home Quarters Warehouse stores in the Boston metropolitan area.

These two stores, located in the communities of Danvers and Norwood, will be the first of 12 to 15 stores planned for the Boston area.

Each warehouse store will contain over 100,000 square feet of selling space and offer more than 30,000 different building material and home improvement products for both the do-it-yourself and professional home repair and remodeling customer. Merchandise displays are attractive, convenient and allow HQ to maintain a strong in-stock position.

Each store will employ over 175 trained associates, ready to assist with friendly and knowledgeable service. In addition, expert advice is available on specific home repair and improvement projects at the conveniently located HQ Answer Desk.

John W. Hechinger Jr., president and chief executive officer of parent Hechinger Company, explained, "we are excited to be introducing to the Boston area a new definition in value through HQ's unique offering of selection, service and low pricing. The Boston region is the third largest metropolitan market on the east coast and we are looking forward to servicing the needs of this major market."

Hechinger Company operates 87 Hechinger stores, 17 Home Quarters Warehouse stores and six Triangle Building Centers stores in 13 states and the District of Columbia.

CONTACT: Lennie H. Zallar, vice president and treasurer, Hechinger Company, 301-925-3170

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#90227p5552 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BAGSVAERD, DENMARK (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Novo Nordisk A/S (ADS - NYSE: NVO) in today's meeting paid tribute to Henry Brennum, who passed away on July 30, 1990. Brennum shared the managing director and chief executive position of Novo Nordisk with Mads Oevlisen.

The board appointed Oevlisen, who was chief executive of Novo Industri A/S from 1981, to be the company's sole president and chief executive.

Summary Statement

Consolidated sales and income before tax for the first half of 1990 were Dkr. 3,980 million and Dkr. 603 million, increases of 6 percent and 2 percent, respectively, compared with figures for the first half of 1989.

Net income was Dkr. 404 million in the first half of 1980, 3 percent lower than in the first half of 1989 due to an increase in the effective tax rate.

Sales and earnings in the first half of 1990 were better than expected. Compared with the first half of 1989 an increase in sales volume of most of the company's products was achieved. However, some of the sales realized in the first half of 1990 were budgeted for the second half. Measured in Danish kroner, sales increased 6 percent in spite of an unfavorable development in currency exchange rates. Compared with the first half of 1989, the average value of the Novo Nordisk currency basket decreased approximately 8 percent in the first half of 1990. Measured in local currencies, sales in most markets were better than anticipated.

Income before tax increased less than sales in the first half of 1990 as a result of increased raw materials and capacity costs. The increase in raw materials costs is due to larger sales volumes and the impact from increases in prices for important raw materials. The increase in capacity costs is mainly due to the continued expansion implemented within the sales, marketing and production areas.

Net financial income, encompassing interest income and costs, gains and losses on bonds and currency, etc., was Dkr. 90 million in the first half of 1990, an increase of approximately Dkr. 150 million compared with the corresponding period in 1989. This figure includes gains on loans in foreign currency, used as part of the company's hedging strategy, and reflects the present strength of the Danish krone. A significant drop in the value of the Danish krone would have a two-fold effect on Novo Nordisk affecting sales and earnings positively, but resulting in losses on Novo Nordisk's loans in foreign currency.

NOVO NORDISK A/S
(Amounts in millions, except per share)
Second Quarter Ended June 30

	1990		1989		Pct. Change Year-
	Dkr.	US$(A)	Dkr.	US$(A)	Over-Year
Net turnover	2,039	320.7	1,757	276.3	16
Income before tax	302	47.5	201	31.6	50
Tax	100	15.7	50	7.9	100
Net income	202	31.8	151	23.7	34
Earnings per share (ADS)	6.39	1.00	4.79	0.75	33
Aver. no. of ADSs & shares outstg.	31.6	31.6	31.6	31.6	--

(A) -- Translated for convenience at the June 29, 1990, exchange rate of U.S. $1.00 equals Dkr. 6.3585.

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Inc., 212-867-0131; or Denis J. Peters of Ruder Finn, 212-715-1544, for Novo Nordisk

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PARAMUS, NJ (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Toys "R" Us, Inc. (NYSE: TOY), today announced its second quarter and first half earnings.

For the quarter ended July 29, 1990, the company reported that its sales increased 24.3 percent to $964.0 million compared to $775.5 million for the second quarter last year. Net earnings in the second quarter were $26.5 million or 9 cents per share, compared to $23.5 million or 8 cents per share for the second quarter last year.

For the first six months of fiscal 1990, sales were $1.909 billion compared to $1.543 billion for the same period last year. Net earnings in the first half were $59.7 million or 20 cents per share, compared to net earnings in last year's first half of $50.6 million or 17 cents per share.

All per share figures have been adjusted to reflect the three-for- two stock split effected on June 29, 1990.

Charles Lazarus, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The company's gains reflect our continuing success in increasing the sales productivity in our stores. U.S. comparable toy store volume was up 11.1 percent in the second quarter and 10.4 percent for the first half. Our International toy stores and our Kids 'R' Us children's clothing stores had strong sales increases during the second quarter. Our sales performance reflects good sales in video game products as well as non-electronic toys."

Lazarus further stated, "Our store expansion program is on schedule. Seven new Toys 'R' Us stores have opened in the United States this year and 64 additional toy stores, including 24 internationally, will be opened in the next four months. Also, 27 Kids 'R' Us children's clothing stores have been opened this year."

Toys "R" Us is the world's largest toy specialty retailing chain, operating 411 toy stores in the United States, 74 international toy stores and 164 Kids "R" Us children's clothing stores.

TOYS "R" US, INC.

	Quarter to July 29		First Half to July 29	
	1990	1989(A)	1990	1989(A)
Net sales	$964,034,000	$775,499,000	$1,908,836,000	$1,543,160,000
Earnings bef. taxes	42,526,000	37,572,000	95,862,000	81,010,000

Net earnings	26,494,000	23,482,000	59,722,000	50,631,000
Net earnings per share	$.09	$.08	$.20	$.17
Avg. shares outstdg.	296,970,000	293,292,000	296,081,000	292,899,000

(A) -- Share information has been restated to reflect the three-for- two stock split effected on June 29, 1990.

CONTACT: Michael Goldstein of Toys "R" Us, 201-599-6981

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Xerox Credit Corporation announced today it has elected to redeem on Sept. 17, 1990 two issues of notes issued in 1988. The notes will be redeemed at a price equal to 100 percent of their principal amounts totaling $300 million, plus accrued interest. Interest on the notes will cease to accrue on and after September 17.

One issue, with a $200 million principal amount, is the 8-5/8 percent notes due Jan. 15, 1991. To receive payment, certificates for the notes must be surrendered to the trustee, The Bank of New York, Bond Redemption Unit. Questions concerning the redemption should be directed to Bond Redemption Unit, The Bank of New York at 212-815-6294.

The other issue, with a $100 million principal amount, is the 8-3/4 percent notes due June 15, 1991. To receive payment, certificates for the notes must be surrendered to the trustee, The First National Bank of Chicago, Registered Bond Processing Unit. Questions concerning the redemption should be directed to Corporate Trust Investor Relations, The First National Bank of Chicago at 312-407-4660.

CONTACT: Thomas C. Abbott of Xerox, 203-968-3378

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PROVO, UT (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Sage Analytics International Inc. (NASDAQ: SAII) announced today that revenue and a net loss for the three month period ended June 30, 1990, were $777,704 and ($35,757) respectively compared to revenue and a net loss of $745,103 and ($104,349), for the three month period ended June 30, 1989. For the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 revenues were $1,329,205 and $1,849,576 respectively with a net loss of ($533,748) for the like period in 1990 and a $477 gain in 1989.

Jon D. Stephens, chairman of the board and president of the company, said

that the primary cause for the loss was delays, beyond the control of the company, in executing a number of fast pack contracts with certain local government entities and industrial clients. To minimize losses, the company has made significant reductions in salaries and personnel which will not affect the company's posture for future growth. The positive impact of the cuts is manifested in SG&A expenses decreasing from $768,289 in the first quarter of 1990 to $566,769 for the second quarter of 1990, a decrease of $201,520 or 26 percent.

Sage Analytics International is engaged in the commercial application of a form of decision support technology which incorporates proprietary methodology and software and is marketed to private industry and federal, state and local government agencies.

Sage Analytics International common stock is traded under the NASDAQ symbol SAII.

CONTACT: Jon D. Stephens of Sage Analytics International Inc., 801-374-8070

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - MGI PHARMA, INC. (NASDAQ: MOGN) announced today the signing of two new agreements by which they have granted a license for their human Lyme Disease Vaccine to American Home Products Corporation (NYSE: AHP) and have received rights from Zila, Inc. (NASDAQ: ZILA), to market an oral analgesic. MGI PHARMA GRANTS LICENSE FOR HUMAN LYME DISEASE VACCINE

MGI PHARMA announced the signing of an agreement with American Home Products Corporation for the development of a human Lyme Disease vaccine under MGI's exclusive patent rights obtained from the University of Minnesota in 1988. Dr. Ken Tempero, chairman and chief executive officer of MGI PHARMA, said, "We are very happy that the Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories division of America Home Products Corporation will be developing the vaccine. Wyeth-Ayerst is a leader in this field and we have every confidence that their efforts will lead to the commercialization of the first human Lyme Disease vaccine. The scientists at Wyeth-Ayerst will be able to expedite development of the vaccine by building upon the expertise in their sister company, Fort Dodge Laboratories, which already markets a Lyme Disease vaccine for dogs under a license from us. The human Lyme Disease vaccine could take several years to develop and approve, but once marketed, should be a major addition to the Wyeth-Ayerst current array of vaccines and yield an attractive royalty stream for our company." MGI PHARMA TO MARKET ORAL ANALGESIC

MGI PHARMA also announced that it entered into a license with Zila, Inc.

under which it will market a new oral product based upon Zila's patented film forming technology for the treatment of painful mouth sores commonly experienced by patients following chemotherapy treatment. Dr. Tempero said "We are pleased with the license because it allows our sales force to introduce and promote a unique oral analgesic product. As stated in our annual report, the market for this product (MGI 209) is relatively small, however, it fits nicely into our plans of building a line of effective products that serve the oncology niche and enhance the quality of life for cancer patients." MGI PHARMA anticipates bringing this product to market by early 1991.

"The agreements we've announced today represent two more bricks in the foundation of our young company. They demonstrate that the criteria and test we use to select our compounds are sound and will serve us well as we continue to build a profitable and significant pharmaceutical company," said Dr. Tempero.

MGI PHARMA, INC., is in the business of acquiring, developing, and marketing pharmaceuticals prescribed by oncologists and other specialist physicians. The company has acquired a portfolio of compounds, several of which have significant therapeutic and commercial potential. The company has three compounds in human clinical trials and currently sells DIDRONEL(R) I.V. Infusion for the treatment for hypercalcemia in cancer patients. Company management has an established track record of identifying and developing commercially successful pharmaceuticals.

CONTACT: Lori Weiman of MGI PHARMA, INC. 612-935-7335

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ARUBA, DUTCH CARIBBEAN (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Divi Hotels N.V. (AMEX: DVH) announced today that its exchange offer on its two outstanding issues of debt securities will be extended until midnight, Eastern Daylight Time, on Sept. 10, 1990.

The exchange offer was initiated on April 27, 1990, and is being made to security holders qualified to participate in a private placement regarding Divi's $60,000,000 of 14-1/2 percent senior debentures due 1998 and $50,000,000 of 12-3/4 percent subordinated notes due 1996. It was originally scheduled to expire at midnight, Eastern Daylight Time, on May 24, 1990, and was previously extended until midnight, Eastern Daylight Time, on June 15, 1990, until midnight, Eastern Daylight Time, on June 29, 1990, and until midnight, Eastern Daylight Time, on Aug. 14, 1990.

The terms and conditions of the exchange offer otherwise remain unchanged.

Through Aug. 14, 1990, only a nominal amount of the outstanding debt

securities covered by the exchange offer had been validly tendered.

CONTACT: Kevin E. Roberts, chief financial officer, or William L. Reed, director of finance, both of Divi Hotels Marketing, 607-277-3484

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ARUBA, DUTCH CARIBBEAN (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Divi Hotels N.V. (AMEX: DVH) announced that its agreement to engage in exclusive negotiations with Accor S.A.'s tourism division for the potential acquisition of all of Divi's assets and properties related to Divi's resort hotel business in the Caribbean, including Divi's marketing division, trademarks, and trade names will be extended until midnight, EDT, on Sept. 13, 1990.

On July 13, 1990, Divi agreed to engage in exclusive negotiations with Accor relating to the potential acquisition by Accor of certain of Divi's assets, which agreement was scheduled to expire on Aug. 14, 1990. Accor and Divi have been negotiating since July 13, 1990, but have not yet reached a definitive agreement relating to such potential acquisition.

The proposed transaction would not involve the purchase of assets in properties relating to the timeshare and casino businesses, and Divi would continue as a public company engaged in the business of owning and operating timeshare and casino properties.

As previously announced, Divi believes that if the transactions described above are consummated, they will remedy Divi's deteriorating financial situation, although such consummation will result in a substantial loss for financial reporting purposes.

CONTACT: Kevin E. Roberts, chief financial officer, or William L. Reed, director of finance of Divi Hotels Marketing, (607) 277-3484.

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#90227p5568 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOMERVILLE, N.J. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Unimed, Inc. (NASDAQ: UMED), today reported total consolidated revenues for the third fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $1,208,000 compared with $1,249,000 for the same quarter of fiscal 1989. Consolidated net loss for the 1990 period totaled $343,000, or $.11 per share, a 31 percent improvement over the net loss of $494,000, or $.15 per share, for the 1989 period.

Pharmaceutical segment revenues for the 1990 period decreased 25 percent to $436,000. Marinol(R) (dronabinol) sales increased 10 percent and Serc(R) (betahistine HCl) sales in Canada increased 16 percent. These increases were offset by a $19,000 decrease in shipments of Serc to

foreign licensees and a decrease of $169,000 in research contract revenues primarily resulting from timing of orders and the receipt during the 1989 period of the final payment under Unimed's alliance with AB Astra.

Chemical segment revenues in the 1990 period increased 20 percent to $703,000. This increase reflects both a strengthened management team and an expanded customer base generated by increased sales and marketing efforts.

Research and development expenses decreased 25 percent in the 1990 period to $545,000. Decreases resulted primarily from higher start-up costs in the 1989 period for the Vitamin D program, the company's decisions to discontinue the thiolated polynucleotides and G-Mitomycin programs, and timing of certain other development and patent expenses.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, consolidated revenues totaled $3,330,000, a 4 percent increase over the comparable period of fiscal 1989. Consolidated net loss for the nine-month period of 1990 was $1,293,000 or $.40 per share, compared with a net loss of $1,458,000, or $.45 per share, in the 1989 period.

Pharmaceutical segment revenues decreased 10 percent to $1,302,000. Marinol sales increased 14 percent to $799,000 and Serc sales in Canada increased 11 percent to $435,000. These increases were offset by a decrease of $69,000 in shipments of Serc to foreign licensees and a decrease of $219,000 in research contract revenues. Chemical segment revenues increased 24 percent to $1,818,000.

Unimed is a pharmaceutical company specializing in the early acquisition, development and marketing of new cancer therapeutic compounds.

CONTACT: Harold J. Tenoso, Ph.D., president and CEO of Unimed, 201-526-6894; or Robert P. Borchert of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Unimed

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE -The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled a meeting for August 29, 1990 with the Philadelphia Electric Company to discuss the NRC's latest Systematic Assessment of Licensee performance (SALP) report, covering operation of the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station Units 2 & 3 near Delta, PA, from July 1, 1989 to May 31, 1990.

The meeting will be held at 10 a.m. in the Peach Bottom Conference Center, off Atom Road, at the site. The public is invited to observe the meeting.

CONTACT: Karl Abraham of the NRC, 215-337-5330

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#90227p5575 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST ORANGE, N.J. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Micro Healthsystems, Inc. (NASDAQ: MCHS), a manufacturer of Bedside Nursing Patient Care Systems and Healthcare Financial Management Systems, "once again achieved record operating results," S. M. Caravetta, chairman, said today. "Our various administrative software services for hospitals also continues to grow in size and profit contribution, and indications are that these trends will continue," he said.

Revenues for the first fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1990, increased 66 percent to $2,705,000 from $1,627,000 in the like period the year before. Earnings amounted to $452,000 or $.22 per share on 2,099,000 weighted shares outstanding, an increase of 106 percent above the $219,000 or $.12 per share earned on 1,833,000 weighted shares outstanding in the same quarter a year earlier.

The company's Healthcare Financial Management products include an Inpatient Management System; an Integrated Hospital Financial System; Home Care Management System; a Physician's Billing and Management System for hospital-based and private physician group practices; and a Facilities Management program for out-patient billing and accounts receivable to hospitals, utilizing Micro Healthsystems' own staff.

MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS, INC.

Three months ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,705,000	$1,627,000
Income before taxes	778,000	380,000
Provision for income taxes	326,000	161,000
Net income	$ 452,000	$ 219,000
Net income per share	0.22	0.12
Weighted average shares outstg.	2,099,000	1,833,000

CONTACT: S. M. Caravetta, chairman, or Walter Cruickshank, treasurer of Micro Healthsystems, 201-731-9252; or the Wall Street Group, 212-344-9131, for Micro Healthsystems

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#90227p5577 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIALEAH, FLA. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Equipment Company of America (NASDAQ: ECOA), today reported results of operations for the company's fiscal second quarter and first half ended June 29, 1990.

The company reported fiscal second quarter sales of $5,011,000, down 2.4

percent from 1989 second quarter sales of $5,136,000. For the first half of 1990, sales declined 3.7 percent to $10,353,000 vs. $10,746,000 in the 1989 first half. The company recorded a loss of $321,000, or $.07 per share, in the 1990 quarter compared to a loss of $65,000, or $.02 per share in the 1989 second quarter. The loss for the first half of 1990 was $343,000, or $.08 per share vs. a profit of $11,000 for the first half of 1989.

A company spokesman stated, "Our results in the second quarter did not meet our goals. Some softness in inbound orders for certain product lines early in the quarter had an adverse impact on our shipments during the quarter. Our order intake improved in the latter part of the quarter, however, which is expected to favorably affect the third quarter.

"We continue to implement the programs identified in the first quarter, which should have a positive long-term impact on the company. These programs are an ongoing process throughout the fiscal year and have included the introduction of new systems, manufacturing equipment, personnel changes and the addition of senior executives in marketing, finance and production. Combined with the company's historic commitment to customer service, these programs should result in a company better prepared to perform in a competitive marketplace and mixed economic climate."

Equipment Company of America is a manufacturer and worldwide distributor of materials handling equipment and other industrial products for the safe efficient movement and storage of factory products. The ECOA materials handling line encompasses 15 broad-based product categories, featuring both powered and non-powered items. These products are specially designed to save users time and money as well as to assist them in meeting all applicable personnel safety requirements. Under its AllTape (R) brand, ECOA also is a mill distributor and major converter of packaging and industrial, pressure-sensitive, adhesive tapes.

EQUIPMENT COMPANY OF AMERICA AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Operating Highlights (unaudited)
(Dollars in Thousands Except Per Share Amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	June 29, 1990	June 30, 1989	June 29, 1990	June 30, 1989
Net sales				
Materials handling equipment	$ 3,885	$ 3,860	$ 7,815	$ 7,956
Adhesive tapes	1,126	1,276	2,538	2,790
Total net sales	5,011	5,136	10,353	10,746
Cost of products sold	3,974	3,835	8,054	8,089
Gross profit	1,037	1,301	2,299	2,657
Selling, general and administrative expenses	1,123	1,080	2,136	2,040

Operating income (loss)	(86)	221	163	617
Interest (expense), net of other income	(235)	(286)	(506)	(606)
Income (loss) from operations before taxes and extraordinary item	(321)	(65)	(343)	11
Provision for income taxes	--	(23)	--	3
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	(321)	(42)	(343)	8
Extraordinary item - income tax credit (debit) from utilizing net operating loss carryforwards	--	(23)	--	3
Net income (loss)	$ (321)	$ (65)	$ (343)	$ 11
PER SHARE DATA				
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	$ (.07)	$ (.01)	$ (.08)	$ --
Extraordinary item	--	(.01)	--	--
Net income (loss)	$ (.07)	$ (.02)	$ (.08)	$ --
Average shares outstanding (thousands)	4,415	2,894	4,415	2,894

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MURFREESBORO, TN (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Pricor Incorporated (NASDAQ: PRCO) today announced operating results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

First quarter revenues were $6,118,983, an increase of 32 percent from revenues of $4,649,987, reported in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. During the first quarter of fiscal 1991, the Company's operating contribution totaled $1,074,858, compared to a contribution of $1,117,765 reported during the same three month period a year earlier.

For the first quarter of fiscal 1991, Pricor reported a net loss of $142,262, or $.02 per share, as compared to net income of $139,833, or $.03 per share, reported in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Pricor Chairman Hubert L. McCullough made the announcement saying, "We are pleased with the 32 percent revenue growth for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 over the first quarter of fiscal 1990. However, operating expenses, particularly in CCS, an acquisition which operates seven residential group homes, were higher than had been expected. Expenses on existing contracts in California were negatively impacted by a worker's compensation insurance rate change which, over the course of this fiscal year, will

increase operating expenses by about $225,000.

"First quarter revenues from our youth education services were negatively impacted by the timing of Spring Break, leaving the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 with seven percent fewer school days than the comparable quarter of the prior year," McCullough said.

"Certain other factors should be considered when evaluating first quarter results," McCullough said. "Operating expenses for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 included about $50,000 of non-recurring operating expenses. Additionally, many of the existing California contracts were renegotiated subsequent to the close of Pricor's first quarter and now include rate increases which will help to offset rising costs.

"While operating margin pressures are expected to continue, the Company's operations on the whole are very sound and improvement in results is expected, particularly in the traditionally high margin fourth quarter," McCullough said.

"Finally, our selling, general and administrative expenses were affected by one-time costs of approximately $70,000 associated with a transition in our senior management.

"Starting in the second quarter we will begin to realize revenues from San Diego-based Broad Horizons, which we acquired subsequent to the close of the first quarter," McCullough said. "Broad Horizons will commence a day school program in the third quarter of this year. When fully operational, combined annualized revenues from Broad Horizons are expected to exceed $5 million.

"The first of Pricor's Texas jail contract are expected to begin operations in the third and fourth quarters of this year. Contributions to profits from these contracts are likely to be modest until the fourth quarter of this year or possibly the first quarter of fiscal year 1992."

Pricor Incorporated is the nation's leading for-profit private provider of special educational and treatment services for youth. The Company is also one of the oldest and largest private adult correctional services companies. Pricor has contracts in Alabama, California, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia and business interests in the United Kingdom.

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TORONTO (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Thomson Corporation today reported earnings before extraordinary item for the six months ended June 30, 1990,

were U.S. $112 million, compared with U.S. $150 million for the same period last year. Earnings per common share before extraordinary item were U.S. 21 cents, compared with U.S. 28 cents in 1989.

Operating profit was 27 percent higher than in the corresponding period last year, and benefited from contributions from acquisitions made in the last 12 months and from profits arising on the sale of aircraft.

The principal reasons for the reduction in earnings were that non-operating profit this year was U.S. $53 million lower than in the corresponding period of 1989 (which included the gain on the sale of an investment in Reuters PLC) and interest costs were U.S. $57 million higher as a result of the high level of spending on acquisitions.

While operating profit and earnings for the first six months were broadly in line with our expectations, it is now becoming increasingly evident that the economic downturn affecting our businesses is more severe than had been predicted. We have taken steps to ensure that we are highly efficient in all our businesses and we are expensing considerable short-term costs to this end.

THE THOMPSON CORPORATION
(Consolidated, unaudited)
(In millions of U.S. dollars, except per share amounts)

Six months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Sales:		
Thomson Newspapers	569	527
Thomson Information/Publishing Group	1,029	827
Thomson Travel Group	777	940
Total	2,375	2,294
Operating profit:		
Thomson Newspapers	144	154
Thomson Information/Publishing Group	108	74
Thomson Travel Group (A)	11	(21)
Total	263	207
Other income and expense (B)	(24)	28
Net interest expense and other financing costs	(86)	(29)
Income taxes	(24)	(40)
Dividends on preference shares	(17)	(16)
Earnings before extraordinary item	112	150
Extraordinary item - net gain on sale of oil and gas operations	--	475
Net earnings attributable to common shares	112	625
Earnings per common share:		
Before extraordinary item	$0.21	$0.28
From extraordinary item	--	$0.88
Total	$0.21	$1.16

(A) -- Thomson Travel Group's operating profit includes $22 million (1989

- nil) of profits arising on the sale of aircraft and excludes $18 million (1989 - $19 million) of net interest income.

(B) -- Other income and expense includes amortization of intangibles of $18 million (1989 - $15 million), corporate costs of $14 million (1989 - $18 million) and non-operating profit of $8 million (1989 - $61 million). The non-operating profit in 1989 is principally the gain arising on the sale of an investment in Reuters PLC.

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#90227p5583 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - United-Guardian, Inc. (AMEX: UG) has just been granted a U.S. Patent covering its active virucide which has the ability to kill the AIDS Virus in less than five seconds and the Hepatitis-B Virus in less than 15 minutes both under in vitro conditions, the company announced today.

UG-39, which is covered by this patent, has been the subject of an article by Drs. Elena Klein and M. Lange of the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons in the January 1990 edition of the Antiviral Agents Bulletin. This article reported the results of using UG-39 on the seminal fluid taken from patients infected with the AIDS Virus. When a dilute solution of UG-39 was used as a douche in vaginal irrigation under simulated natural conditions, it destroyed not only the AIDS Virus, but the sperm cells as well.

According to Dr. Alfred R. Globus, chairman and CEO of United- Guardian, "The low order of toxicity as demonstrated in laboratory studies makes UG-39 promising for the purification of blood infected with viruses. At present, we are studying the chemistry of blood to which small quantities of the virucide has been added."

United-Guardian is a manufacturer of pharmaceuticals, healthcare products, and medical devices.

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#90227p5585 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Airgas Inc. (NYSE: ARG), a distributor of industrial gases and related products, today announced an 8 percent increase in the retail price of industrial gas and a $.30 per month increase in cylinder rental charges.

The increases, to be effective Sept. 1, 1990, will affect all gases except acetylene distributed through any of Airgas' retail stores nationwide. Delivery charges will also increase to $10.

Thomas Mason, executive vice president of Airgas, said that the reason for the gas price increase is due to recent increased operating costs and higher liability insurance premiums. Mason went on to say that the rental increase is necessary to cover higher cylinder costs and delivery charge increases are needed to offset the rise in fuel expenses. The last such general increase by the company occurred in October 1989.

Currently the Airgas distributor network includes more than 225 locations in 29 states and Canada. Airgas Inc. is the largest independent distributor of industrial, medical and specialty gases in the United States.

CONTACT: Thomas Mason, executive vice president, or Britton H. Murdoch of Airgas, 215-687-5253

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#90227p5586 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Vanguard Cellular Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: VCELA) announced today that it has entered into a definitive agreement to acquire, construct and operate the nonwireline cellular system for the Myrtle Beach, SC Rural Service Area. This transaction, which will add 232,500 1990 pops to Vanguard's existing 5.3 million pop base, is expected to be consummated in early 1991. It is subject to customary FCC and South Carolina Public Service Commission approvals.

According to Haynes G. Griffin, Vanguard's President and Chief Executive Officer, "The Myrtle Beach, SC market provides Vanguard with another coastal Carolinas cellular market which is contiguous with our Wilmington/Jacksonville joint venture network. Accordingly, the technical, operational and marketing efficiencies we expect to realize make us very pleased with the prospects of this acquisition."

S. Tony Gore III, Vanguard's Vice President for Acquisitions said, "The Company beleives this market to be of significant importance to its regional clustering strategy."

The Myrtle Beach area is known for its attractiveness as a tourist destination and second home resort. With 60 18-hole golf courses in the area, and numerous other recreational and convention facilities, it attracts in excess of one million visitors a year. "The extended tourist season, due to the temperate climate, makes this acquisition especially attractive but the area's year-round economy is also experiencing significant growth making it what we believe to be one of the most

desirable RSA's in the country," said Mr. Griffin.

Vanguard Cellular Systems, Inc. headquarted in Greensboro, North Carolina, directly and indirectly owns interest in and operates cellular telephone systems primarily in the Eastern United States.

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#90227p5588 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHARDSON, TEXAS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Rubicon Corporation (NASDAQ: RBCN) reported net earnings after extraordinary items of $1,018,000 or 20 cents per share for the year for the year ended June 30, 1990, compared with a loss of $2,630,000 or 99 cents per share for 1989. Revenue for fiscal 1990 was $4,492,000 compared with revenue of $9,576,000 for the year ended June 30, 1989.

The announcement was made by Gary K. Freedman, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Rubicon, a Richardson, Texas-based developer of computerized laboratory information management systems.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, net income after extraordinary items was $382,000 on revenue of $1,467,000 compared with a loss of $2,927,000 on revenue of $1,065,000 reported for the fourth quarter of 1989. Earnings per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were 7 cents compared with a loss of $1.10 for the same period in 1989.

Rubicon ended fiscal 1990 with a current asset to current liability ratio of 1.97 compared to 0.66 in fiscal 1989. The debt to equity ratio improved from 21.8 in 1989 to 1.45 for fiscal year 1990.

"This has been a dramatic year for the company," Freedman said. "Our refocused approach this year led to profitability in every quarter and established a solid base for the company to grow from in the future. By exceeding the goals we set for this transformation year, we proved that our efforts were successful.

"Our operating income margin for the fourth quarter improved to 28 percent of revenue and the overall results of the year increased shareholders' equity by 863 percent," Freedman noted. "There was a great deal of effort and dedication from Rubicon's employees, customers and investors necessary to achieve these results."

Freedman said that the extraordinary items reported in 1990 included utilization of net operating loss carryforwards and gains resulting from the conversion of debt to equity during the first and fourth quarters of

fiscal 1990.

The 15-year-old Rubicon Corporation develops, installs and supports integrated computer based laboratory information management systems for hospitals, reference laboratories and health maintenance organizations.

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#90227p5590 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TEXAS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Prime Medical Services, Inc. ("Prime") (NASDAQ-NMS: PMSI) today announced results for the second quarter of 1990. For the three months ended June 30, 1990, revenues increased to $3,511,000 from $3,253,000 for the same period in 1989. The net loss amounted to $448,000, or $0.05 per share, versus $965,000 or $0.11 per share in 1989.

For the first six months, Prime reported revenues of $7 million versus $6,916,000 in 1989. A net loss of $651,000 or $0.08 per share compares to a loss of $1,553,000 or $0.18 per share in 1989.

The loss for the second quarter 1990 includes a nonrecurring expense of $72,000 for prior years' property taxes at one of the Imaging centers and approximately $100,000 for costs associated with three regional meetings held by Prime for the nursing and administrative staff from all of the cardiac centers.

Jackie Majors, president of Prime, stated, "Although we expect continued losses from operations through year-end, we are on track with our efforts to improve results in 1991. We expect to have a positive third quarter, due to the sale of our Employee Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("EPIC") stock during July. This sale, offset by other nonrecurring events, will result in a nonrecurring gain of approximately $900,000."

Prime Medical Services, Inc. is engaged in providing non-medical management services to 47 cardiac rehabilitation clinics and seven imaging centers in 13 states.

PRIME MEDICAL SERVICES, INC.
Selected Financial Data
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months		Six Months	
Periods ended June 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$3,511	$3,253	$7,000	$6,916
Earnings from operations before income taxes	(485)	(965)	(655)	(1,553)

Equity in gain of unconsolidated affiliates	37	--	4	--
Net earnings (loss)	$ (448)	$ (965)	$ (651)	$(1,553)
Loss per share	$ (.05)	$ (.11)	$ (.08)	$ (.18)
Weighted average shares outstanding	8,442	8,442	8,442	8,442

CONTACT: Jackie Majors, president or Cheryl D'Angelo, vice president-finance, both of Prime Medical Services, 512-328-2892

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#90227p5594 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - O'Brien Energy Systems (AMEX: OBS), a leading energy project developer, announced today it has completed construction and commenced operations at its 1.2 MW Orange County, Calif., and 1 MW Lafayette, N.J., biogas projects.

The Orange County project uses methane gas extracted from the county's sewage treatment plant to produce power for the treatment plant. The Lafayette project uses methane from the Hamms Landfill to generate power for sale to Jersey Central Power & Light Co.

"These projects represent our continued commitment to projects that eliminate fuel cost risks," said Bruce Levy, O'Brien Energy, vice president. "With these two new plants on-line, we are now operating a total of nine alternative fuel projects," he noted.

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#90227p5597 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOBURN, MA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Cardiosystems Inc. (AMEX: TCA) announced today that the company's HeartMate(R) ventricular- assist device (VAD) has been successfully implanted in a 50-year-old patient at St. Paul Medical Center in Dallas. The medical center was recently approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration as the eighth clinical site for the company's pneumatically driven device.

Chris Moncrief, M.D., and W. Steves Ring, M.D., of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center/St. Paul Medical Center Cardiac Transplant Team implanted the HeartMate device into Billy R. Sullivan, a patient suffering from idiopathic cardiomyopathy. The device will support Sullivan's failing heart until a donor heart is found. Sullivan has become the 31st patient in the United States to be supported by the HeartMate VAD.

"We are very pleased that yet another clinical site has achieved such positive results with our device," said Victor L. Poirier, president of Thermo Cardiosystems. "This demonstrates that the HeartMate can be used successfully, not only at our primary investigational site, but also at new clinical sites where surgeons are using the device for the first time."

The company has recently filed an application with the U.S Food and Drug Administration to begin clinical trials of a second-generation, battery-powered HeartMate device.

Thermo Cardiosystems Inc. is a leader in research and development of implantable ventricular-assist devices. These devices are designed to perform substantially all or part of the pumping function of the left ventricle of the natural heart for patients suffering from cardiovascular disease. Thermo Cardiosystems is a public subsidiary of Thermedics Inc. (AMEX: TMD) and Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

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#90227p5598 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DECATUR, ILL. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - ADM Investor Services, Inc. today announced its association with the Leslie Analytical Organization, Inc. Under terms of the agreement, ADM Investor Services will be the exclusive distributor of Conrad Leslie's monthly crop survey reports, daily futures market letter and daily futures market computer price forecasts.

Based on surveys of grain elevator managers across the country, the Leslie crop reports of corn and soybean production have been compiled for the past thirty years and are released to the public and agribusiness during each growing season. The first crop survey report for 1990 will be released on Sept. 7, 1990. Leslie's daily futures market letter and daily futures market computer price forecasts provide fundamental and technical analysis to ADM Investor Services accounts and affiliated introducing brokers.

ADM Investor Services, Inc. is a futures commission merchant with clearing memberships or privileges on principal futures exchanges. The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Archer Daniels Midland Company (NYSE: ADM).

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#90227p5599 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Mattel Inc. (NYSE: MAT) has declared a quarterly dividend of 3 cents per share on its common stock. The dividend is payable Oct. 2, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990.

A quarterly dividend paid on July 2, 1990 was the company's first since 1983.

Mattel earlier reported record net income of $20.3 million for the 1990 second quarter, up 22 percent from $16.6 million in 1989. Net sales for the quarter also reached record levels, up 17 percent to $318 million. For the 1990 first half, net income was $28.7 million, up 37 percent from $20.9 million in the 1989 first half, while net sales were up 18 percent to $552 million.

Mattel Inc. is a worldwide leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of children's toys. With headquarters in Hawthorne, Calif., Mattel has offices and facilities in 20 foreign countries and sells its products in more than 100 nations throughout the world.

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#90227p5601 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Franklin Holding Corporation (Delaware) (AMEX: FKL) today released its operating results for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990:

	1990	1989
Revenues	$389,492	$458,789
Net investment (loss) before (provision) for inc. taxes	($68,428)	($34,063)
(Provision) for income taxes	(6,900)	(100)
Net investment (loss)	(75,328)	(34,163)
Net realized gain on invest.	9,350	910,498
Increase (decrease) in unrealized apprec. of invest.	7,500	(778,833)
Net (loss) income	(58,478)	97,502
(Loss) earnings per share	(0.06)	0.10
Total assets	17,265,578	18,439,064
Total assets per share	17.20	18.37
Net asset value per share	13.44	14.59
Aver. number of shares outstanding	1,003,776	1,003,776

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#90227p5604 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROANOKE, VA. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Roanoke Electric Steel Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: RESC) today announced net earnings for the third quarter ended July 31, 1990, of $2,018,201, or 38 cents per share, of common stock down 20 percent from the $2,510,872, or 48 cents per share reported for the third quarter last year. Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $37,526,156, down 2 percent from the $38,322,182 reported for the 1989 third quarter.

Net earnings for the nine months ended July 31, 1990, were $5,579,243, or $1.05 per share of common stock, representing a 39 percent decrease from the $9,199,116, or $1.73 per share, reported for the same period last year. Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $112,630,901, down 6 percent from the $119,609,062 reported for the same period last year.

Donald G. Smith, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, stated: "Sales and Earnings for the 1990 third quarter and fiscal year continue to lag behind last year's record pace, primarily due to lower selling prices and reduced profit margins for the periods compared. However, we are encouraged by the steady quarter-to-quarter improvement in earnings this year, and, with demand for bar products remaining strong and prices on the upswing, we are hopeful fourth quarter results will continue this trend."

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#90227p5605 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - David R. Nissen has been elected to the board of directors of Monogram Bank, USA, a subsidiary of GE Capital, and will act as chairman of this financial institution.

In this capacity, Nissen is responsible for the continued growth of the bank card business and the development of consumer-related business by GE Capital banking subsidiaries. Monogram Bank, USA, is a credit card bank located in Ohio. Ranked in the top 20 largest credit card operations, Monogram Bank, USA has 1.5 million credit card and accounts, with over $1 billion in outstandings.

Prior to his new position, Nissen served as the vice president and general manager of private label financing, GE Capital Retailer Financial Services. Under his direction, GE Capital Retailer Financial Services firmly established itself as the leading supplier of private label credit

cards in the world.

GE Capital, headquartered in Stamford, is one of the nation's largest diversified financial services companies with assets of $58.7 billion.

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#90227p5606 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (NYSE: BMY) today announced the appointment of Charles G. Tharp as vice president, compensation and human resource development.

Tharp joined Bristol-Myers Squibb in 1987 as director, compensation and benefits, from the management consulting firm Towers Perrin. Prior to that he served as director, corporate benefits for Pepsico; director, compensation for Pillsbury, and manager, employee relations for General Electric.

Tharp holds a Ph.D. in Labor and Industrial Relations from Michigan State University and an M.A. in Economics from Wayne State University. He received his undergraduate degree in Business Administration and Economics from Hope College, in Holland, Michigan.

CONTACT: David L. Rosenstein of Bristol-Myers Squibb, 212-546- 5764

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#90227p5612 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOCA RATON, FLA. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - InnoVet Inc. (NASDAQ: IVET) today announced that it has acquired exclusive worldwide rights to a unique immunostimulant which has shown in preliminary studies to be effective in offering broad spectrum disease protection in various animal species with potential human application. Immunostimulants are substances that trigger the immune system to aggressively respond to substances foreign to the animal's own body.

The immunostimulant compound, named IVET 629, acquired by InnoVet was developed by BioQuest Inc. of Lenexa, Kansas. It increases the T-4 helper cell population, a key factor in immune stimulation. It has shown efficacy in the treatment of parvovirus infections and lymphoma in dogs and foot rot in sheep. InnoVet plans additional studies designed to explore the feasibility of full development of a product to be used for the treatment of several animal diseases which currently have no cure or vaccine. InnoVet anticipates that the immunostimulant could be commercially available as early as mid-1991.

"The economic impact of the successful development of this drug is very significant," said Dr. Jesse Houdeshell, president of InnoVet. "Studies are currently under way or are in planning to evaluate the product for the treatment of influenza and strangles in horses, chronic respiratory disease or shipping fever in beef cattle and mastitis in dairy cattle. Mastitis alone costs the U.S. dairy industry an estimated $5.4 billion a year and an estimated $35 billion worldwide. Shipping fever costs the cattle industry estimated losses of $500 million in the U.S. and $3 billion worldwide annually."

Dr. Houdeshell further stated: "Studies will also be conducted in cats to determine the potential for treating leukemia and feline immunodeficiency disease. If successful, these results would lead us to believe efficacy is likely in the treatment of retrovirus diseases and other diseases which suppress the immune system. The natural extension of this research would be a pilot study to evaluate potential treatment of AIDS in humans. Feline studies will be conducted this fall at North Carolina State University."

Based in Boca Raton, InnoVet is a development stage company dedicated to innovative animal healthcare products. The company's patents and products hold promise in revolutionizing the way in which pets, livestock and eventually humans will be treated for disease.

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#90227p5620 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) today told holders of its common shares that "there is no reason to tender your shares prior to the Aug. 20 expiration date" of Kansas City Power & Light Company's (NYSE: KLT) tender offer.

In a letter sent today, KG&E stressed that holders would not receive any additional benefit or compensation by tendering now, and pointed out that KCP&L's offer is subject to many conditions which may take months, "possibly more than a year," to be met. In addition, KG&E said, the offer presents "serious legal questions and numerous uncertainties under federal and state statutes."

KCP&L itself has said it expects to extend its offer beyond Aug. 20 and "from time to time" after that, KG&E said.

The company also told its shareholders that no special meeting of shareholders has been called, "nor is one contemplated." KG&E's letter says, "The board believes that KCP&L has not met the requirements of

Kansas law to call such a meeting," and noted that the matter is currently under litigation.

KCP&L launched its tender offer on July 23. KG&E's board rejected the offer on Aug. 2, citing, among other things, that it believes the price offered for the common shares is inadequate. The board recommended that holders of common shares not tender to the KCP&L offer.

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#90227p5622 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - EDS has signed a 10-year contract with The Permian Corporation/Permian Partners, L.P., one of the largest independent gatherers of oil in the United States, for information technology services and development.

The agreement calls for EDS to manage Permian's information technology (IT) in support of the energy company's oil and gas distribution operations. Based in Houston, Permian serves approximately 31,000 leases with 500 trucks and 4,500 miles of pipelines. It has operations in 16 states. The company's 1989 revenues were $2.5 billion.

This is the sixth major energy sector contract by EDS since it entered this market less than two years ago.

Gaylon Simmons, president and chief executive officer of Permian, said EDS' flexibility in delivering IT services will allow Permian to focus on its growing business and have the technology in place to meet expanding needs.

"EDS will keep us current in our technology and competitive in our marketplace," Simmons said. "Their presence in Houston, their track record and reputation, and their resources will help drive us to the forefront of the competition."

Ken Scott, president of EDS' Energy/Petrochemical Division, said, "EDS has a firm commitment to the energy industry. Our agreement with Permian further positions us as the premier provider of information technology services to that industry."

In addition to Permian, several of EDS' major customer accounts are located in Houston, including First City and Enron. With nearly 1,600 employees in the area, EDS' Houston presence has almost tripled since 1988.

EDS has operations in 27 countries and is the leader in providing information technology services to customers around the world. Stock

reflecting EDS' performance is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

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#90227p5623 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOKFIELD, WIS. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - American Medical Buildings, Inc. (AMEX: A) announced today that it is filing for relief pursuant to Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. The company also reported a $496,000 loss from operations for the second quarter of 1990.

Due to the second quarter loss, unless it can arrange for the infusion of additional capital, the company projects that it will exhaust its working capital resources during the third quarter of 1990. The company has conducted negotiations with prospective investors, but to date such negotiations have been unsuccessful. "The Chapter 11 filing will give us the breathing room to identify possible financing alternatives and to provide interested parties with a more attractive structure for making their investment," said Jack A. Amormino, executive vice president of the company.

The company, which maintains its headquarters in Brookfield, Wis., is a healthcare facilities consulting firm which provides planning, architectural, engineering and construction services to hospitals and physician group practices throughout the United States.

At June 30, 1990, the company's backlog of architecture and construction agreements was approximately $31,000,000. This represented the uncompleted and unbilled portion of 13 architecture and construction agreements, including 10 under construction, as of such date.

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#90227p5625 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MORRIS PLAINS, N.J. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Warner-Lambert Company (NYSE: WLA) has launched Cristal, a nonstick sugarless chewing gum, in test market in southern Texas and Louisiana. The new gum is being marketed in spearmint and peppermint flavors.

Cristal is aimed at consumers 35 and older who wear dentures or have crowns, caps, bridges or braces and have difficulty chewing gum that sticks to their dental work. Approximately 30 million Americans wear dentures. Two-thirds of the 35-and-over population -- about 80 million Americans -- have had dental work.

"Sugarless gum has proven to be increasingly popular with the Baby Boom generation in particular," said Michael Schwartzman, product manager, American Chicle Group. "Now that these consumers have had dental work, they'll be even more appreciative of the benefits of nonstick chewing gum."

Sugarless gums represent $900 million in annual retail sales in the $1.8 billion U.S. gum market.

Cristal began shipping August 1 and will be widely available to consumers by mid-September.

Cristal will be supported with television and radio advertising as well as a full promotional campaign. Store displays will include a 12-box floor stand and a four-box counter unit.

The product will be marketed in five-stick single packs, including "Try Me" packs that will sell at an introductory price of 25 cents, as well as an 18-stick Val-U-Pak and an 8-Pak (eight five-stick packages).

Major cities in the test market in Texas include Austin, Beaumont, Corpus Christi, Houston and San Antonio and, in Louisiana, Baton Rouge, Lake Charles and New Orleans.

Warner-Lambert's other leading confectionery products include Trident sugarless gum, Dentyne gum, Clorets gum and mints, Bubblicious bubble gum, Chiclets candy-covered gum, Certs mints, Halls cough tablets and chocolate/caramel brands including Junior Mints, Sugar Daddy, Sugar Babies and Charleston Chew!.

Warner-Lambert is a worldwide company devoted to developing, manufacturing and marketing high quality health care and consumer products. It employs approximately 33,000 people.

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#90227p5629 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Check Express Inc. (NASDAQ: CHXS), owner, operator and franchisor of retail check cashing centers, today announced unaudited results for the quarter and six months ended June 30.

Total revenues increased 13 percent in the second quarter of 1990 to $963,950 vs. $855,242 in 1989. Net earnings in the second quarter increased 122 percent to $40,518 ($.008 per share) from $18,230 ($.003 per share) in 1989.

For the six month period ended June 30, revenues increased 14 percent to $1,940,830 from $1,699,413 in 1989. Net income for the six month period increased 110 percent to $87,318 ($.016 per share) from $41,585 ($.008 per share) in 1989.

"Franchise revenue increased $75,000 and company owned check cashing fees increased $48,000 in the second quarter, fueling our profit gains," stated Peter F. Borer, president of Check Express Inc.

Check Express operates 39 retail money centers (company owned and franchise) in eight states providing check cashing, money orders, money transfers and related services.

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-30- 1313

#90227p5630 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrill Corporation (NASDAQ: MRLL) today announced that it has formed a service relationship with a Canadian financial printer -- Atwell Fleming. Atwell Fleming will act as Merrill's financial printing service provider for Merrill clients in the Canadian market, and Merrill will provide the same services for Atwell Fleming clients in the U.S. market.

In commenting on the partnership, John Castro, president and chief executive officer of Merrill Corporation said, "We have been looking for the right fit in Canada for some time, and Atwell Fleming is it. They have the same high service standards as Merrill, and we are glad we were able to hook up as the demands of U.S. clients for Canadian services are increasing."

Atwell Fleming is part of a larger Canadian printing company -- Jannock Limited. Atwell Fleming has been a respected name in Canadian financial printing since 1904. They have service facilities in both Toronto and Montreal to provide both English and French versions of financial documents.

This Canadian affiliate complements Merrill's global service capabilities which include affiliates in London, Tokyo and Melbourne. These sites are joined together through Merrill's sophisticated telecommunications links to create Merrill's financial printing network.

Merrill Corporation is a leading provider of on-demand, 24-hour- per-day typesetting, printing, document reproduction and distribution services to financial, legal, and corporate markets nationwide. The company's shares

are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under MRLL.

CONTACT: John Lundgren of Merrill Corporation, 612-649-1247; or Larry Splett of Padilla Speer Beardsley, 612-871-8877 for Merrill Corporation

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#90227p5631 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The E.W. Scripps Company (NASDAQ: EWSCA) today announced plans for a complete replacement and enhancement of the production facilities at the Rocky Mountain News in Denver.

The improvements at Colorado's largest daily newspaper will include all new printing presses and distribution equipment at an estimated cost of $100 million.

The equipment will be installed at the News' satellite production center on North Washington Street, which will be expanded from 165,000 square feet to about 400,000 square feet to accommodate the new equipment. The new production center should be in full operation in early 1993.

"With this new equipment we will provide newspaper advertisers with the best-quality color reproduction available in the Denver market," said Larry Strutton, president, publisher and chief executive officer of the Rocky Mountain News. "For our readers, the new presses will mean a more vibrant and attractive newspaper, and will advance our commitment to on-time delivery."

The Rocky Mountain News' existing presses will be replaced with seven eight-unit Goss Colorliner offset presses. The new presses will allow the News to print up to 48 pages of process color plus 32 pages of spot color each day without limiting the total number of pages. The first of the new presses will be installed in about 12 months.

"This project is another major step in our long-term commitment to the Denver community," said Lawrence A. Leser, president and chief executive officer of The E.W. Scripps Company. "Our investment demonstrates our desire to provide total quality for the advertisers and readers of Denver's number-one newspaper."

The expanded production center on North Washington Street will consolidate the newspaper's printing under one roof. Printing and packaging production will cease at the downtown Colfax Avenue headquarters and the space will be used to allow other departments to expand.

The E.W. Scripps Company is a diversified media company which operates 19 daily newspapers, nine television stations, five radio stations and cable television systems with 580,000 basic subscribers. The company also is a

worldwide syndicator and licensor of news features and comics, including "Peanuts" and "Garfield."

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#90227p5632 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRENTWOOD, NY (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Allou Health & Beauty Care, Inc. (AMEX: ALU), the premier distributor of nationally advertised health and beauty aids, prestige fragrances and cosmetics in the Northeast, today reported record results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 with earnings up 14 percent on an 11 percent increase in revenues.

"Our first quarter results continue a four-year trend of rising sales and earnings and reflect Allou's expanding geographical coverage in the East as well as its national penetration through the steady growth of our mail order catalog business. We expect this trend to continue and anticipate another record year," David Shamilzadeh, chief financial officer, said.

Sales for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990, increased 11 percent to $19,988,855 from $17,947,256 in the same period last year. Earnings for the quarter were $268,738, or $.10 per share on 2,580,000 shares outstanding, an increase of 14 percent above the $235,437, or $.09 per share earned on 2,580,000 shares restated for the effect of the public offering for the same quarter a year earlier.

The company is broadening its operations through the addition of new products. "We recently added packaged food to our product line which we anticipate will generate significant revenues in the coming years. We plan to further extend our product lines so that we can meet our retail customers' needs in every aisle of their stores," Shamilzadeh added.

The company has virtually no long term debt and its credit line was recently expanded to $23 million from $18 million, according to Shamilzadeh.

ALLOU HEALTH & BEAUTY CARE, INC.
(Consolidated)

Three months ended June 30	1990	1989
Sales	$19,988,855	$17,947,256
Gross profit	2,894,283	2,496,821
Net income	$ 268,738	$ 235,437
Per share: Net income	$.10	$.09(A)
Average shares outstanding	2,580,000	2,580,000(A)

(A) -- Net income per share for three months ended June 30, 1989, has been restated due to public offering. Original net income for the three months

ended June 30, 1989, was $.19 with 1,200,000 shares outstanding.

CONTACT: David Shamilzadeh, chief financial officer of Allou, 516-273-4000; or Sherry Spalter of the Wall Street Group, 212-344-9131, for Allou

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#90227p5633 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - A new joint venture company, called TELOS, has been formed by E-Systems and three German companies with operations to begin later next year. The other partners are Elekluft, (a Telefunken company), Burkhart Grob Luft-und Raumfahrt GmbH and Company KG, and Messerschmitt-Boelkow-Blohm.

TELOS, Technisch-Logistische Service GmbH, will provide in-country logistics and maintenance support for programs associated with the EGRETT aircraft. The EGRETT, under development by E-Systems, Grob, and the Garrett Turbine Engine Company, is proceeding as scheduled through test and evaluation.

E-Systems nominated and the partners have confirmed K.H. Meyer as managing director of the new venture which will be located at the Rhein-Flugzeugbau facility located at the Moenchengladbach Airport in the Nordrhein-Westfalen State of the Federal Republic of Germany.

Other personnel required for the operations of TELOS will be added as required beginning next year. The TELOS company will be fully activated to support customer requirements by third quarter 1991.

"The joint venture company is a necessary step for the timely and effective support of our activities in the Federal Republic of Germany," said Gene Keiffer, chairman and chief executive officer of E-Systems. "Also, we have allied ourselves with leading aerospace and electronics companies in Germany in order to pursue future business opportunities in Europe," he said.

The EGRETT, which was introduced in June 1987, is an all-composite, turboprop aircraft designed for a variety of high altitude, long endurance applications. Over 200 flights have been successfully flown and a series of world records have been established.

E-Systems, Inc. (NYSE: ESY), is a major worldwide developer and producer of electronic systems and products in the areas of intelligence, reconnaissance and surveillance systems, command and control, electronic warfare, specialized aircraft maintenance and modification, guidance, navigation and control, communications and data systems.

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#90227p5636 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FLA. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida reported today a net gain of $19.4 million for the second quarter of 1990, increasing net income for the first six months of the year to $45.2 million. This represents a $24.5 million improvement over the first six months of 1989.

Total revenues increased to $742.9 million for the first six months of 1990 compared to $642.1 million for the same period last year. Corporate assets rose to $631.5 million as of June 30, 1990 compared to $491.1 million at the same point in time last year.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida policyholders' equity increased to $178.9 million as of June 30, 1990 compared to $117.7 million at the mid-point of 1989. The equity level is a measure of the company's ability to meet obligations during times of economic instability or when claims expenses are higher than anticipated.

Contributing to the company's positive second quarter performance was a $2.7 million net gain by its health maintenance organization (HMO) operations that include Health Options, Inc., and Capital Health Plan. For the first six months, HMO operations recorded a gain of $5.9 million, compared with a loss of $67,000 during the same period a year ago.

"The company is well positioned, financially and strategically, to remain the leader in the Florida health insurance industry. We realize our work must continue. We need to build on our success at controlling medical care costs and make sure we continue to operate as efficiently and effectively as possible," said Richard Thomas, senior vice president of finance."

CONTACT: Marianne Elden, 904-791-8075, or Marjorie Phillips, 904-791-6123, both of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida

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MILWAUKEE (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Allis-Chalmers Corporation today reported a net loss of $44,000 in the second quarter of 1990 compared with net income of $29,000 in the same period of 1989.

Sales and gross margin increased in the 1990 period. However, the profits from operations and interest income on marketable securities were exceeded by administrative expenses and interest expense, resulting in the 1990 net

loss.

The company's operations are B.R.B. Industries (BRB), a Hoboken, N.J. manufacturer of molded fabric products, and Houston Dynamic Service, Inc. (HDS), a machine repair subsidiary in Houston. BRB, which serves the apparel and lingerie markets and the home sewing and notions industries, was acquired on Dec. 20, 1989, and its results are included in 1990 only.

Second quarter sales were $3.2 million in 1990, up from $987,000 in 1989, primarily because of the acquisition of BRB.

Second quarter gross margin as a percentage of sales increased to 28.2 percent in 1990 from 24.2 percent in 1989 as a consequence of the generally higher margins in the molded fabric products business. Compared with the first quarter of 1990, gross margin declined due to general market conditions and slightly reduced sales volume at BRB, which was affected by continued softness in the apparel market.

For the first six months of 1990, Allis-Chalmers reported a net loss of $35,000 compared with breakeven in 1989. Sales were $6.4 million in 1990 and $1.9 million in 1989. The results for the 1990 period reflect the factors which affected the second quarter results.

Allis-Chalmers continues pursuing in a prudent manner its program to identify and evaluate candidates for acquisition, with the objective of increasing its operating base and generating positive cash flow.

ALLIS-CHALMERS CORPORATION
(Thousands, except per share)

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$ 3,192	$ 987	$ 6,440	$ 1,862
Net income (loss)	(44)	29	(35)	--
Average common shares	15,272	12,251	15,272	10,699
Income (loss) per share	--	--	--	--

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ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, N.J. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Health Affiliates, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CTHL) today reported results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $12,626,000 compared to $13,058,000 in the prior year. Net income was $2,007,000, or $.40 per share, compared to income of $137,000, or $.03 per share for

the prior year. The 1990 figure includes an extraordinary gain on the repurchase of debt of $4,149,000.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990 revenues were $24,961,000 compared to $25,808,000 in the prior year. Net loss for the 1990 six month period was $988,000, or $.20 per share, compared to net income in the first six months of 1989 of $240,000, or $.05 per share. The 1990 figure includes an extraordinary gain on the repurchase of debt of $4,411,000.

Commenting on the results, Jack Rosen, chairman of the board of Continental Health, said "By completing the sale of the home health care division and repurchasing a significant part of our debt, we have accomplished two major objectives. The division sale has allowed us to streamline our operations and focus on our infusion therapy and nursing home businesses. The reduction of debt lowers our operating costs and facilitates increased cash flow to expand and improve these businesses."

"Operating results continue to be negatively impacted by start-up expenses of the recently opened Norwood nursing home. Occupancy levels are anticipated to be at break-even levels in the third quarter," he added.

"With the combination of management's efforts on existing businesses, the projected profitability of the Norwood facility later this year, and the recent repurchasing of debt, we are anticipating healthy growth for the company in the months to come," Rosen said.

Continental Health Affiliates, Inc. is a leading provider of alternative health care through its congregate, residential and skilled- care facilities for the elderly and its network of out-patient services, including home health care by providing technologically advanced therapies that are administered in the home. The company's services are marketed nationally by a professional sales organization.

CONTACT: Bertin J. Perez, vice president and chief financial officer of Continental Health, 201-567-4600, or Ivan Held of Howard J. Rubenstein Associates, 212-489-6900, for Continental Health Affiliates

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LANSING, MICH. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Granger Renewable Resources of Lansing has signed two power sale contracts with Consumers Power Company which allow Granger to sell the utility 1.5 megawatts of capacity from its Dewitt Township landfill in Clinton County and 1 megawatt of capacity from a proposed plant in Venice Township in Shiawassee County.

Both projects are waste-to-energy operations which will convert methane gas, produced naturally in landfills, into usable energy.

Commercial operation of the Dewitt Township project is expected to begin in 1993, and the Venice Township plant is scheduled for 1992.

In June, Granger and Consumers announced a landfill gas project which will produce energy for more than 1,500 Lansing area homes.

"We are very pleased to continue our cooperative relationship with Consumers Power," said Kurt Guter, president of Granger Renewable Resources. "These kinds of projects help to meet the state's energy needs while putting to use the gas which is produced naturally in our landfills and reducing our need for imported oil."

Granger also provides gas to Motor Wheel where it is burned in an industrial boiler to make steam used to run the factory.

Granger owns and operates two Lansing area landfills, a recycling center and a waste collection company.

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BUFFALO, N.Y. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Cellular Products, Inc. (NASDAQ: CELP), a company engaged in the development and marketing of biotechnology products, today reported financial results of the current fiscal year's first quarter, ended June 30, 1990. On total revenues of $438,559, the company lost $47,006 from operations with a total loss for the period of $117,317. The total loss for the quarter includes a charge against earnings of $77,000 for the issuance of stock to Janney Montgomery Scott Inc. On total revenues of $438,559 the total loss was $0.01 per share. This compares with a loss of $81,962 or $0.01 per share on revenues of $830,668 for the corresponding quarter during the prior fiscal year. Average common shares outstanding increased to 8,237,213 from 7,981,718 over the period.

During the period ended June 30, 1990, the company experienced an overall decrease in revenues as a result of the discontinuance of the marketing agreement with E.I. Dupont. However, revenues adjusted for the loss of Dupont were up 49 percent in the period. Adjusted revenues rose from $293,542 to $438,559 as the company refocused activities on it's own internal operations. Additionally, when the loss is adjusted for non-cash expenses of depreciation of $66,183, amortization of $11,637 and professional fees of $70,312 the company experienced a cash positive gain of $30,184 from operations, The professional fees represented the cash value of securities provided to the company's investment banker, Janney Montgomery Scott, Inc. as payment for its continued efforts in seeking a

suitable merger and/or marketing partner.

According to Dr. Richard Montagna, Cellular Products president, "Although not readily apparent from a cursory review of our statements, the company has successfully achieved its goal to stem its losses and begin to move the organization into a realm of potential profitability. Our cash gain from operations represents the first such gain in the company's history." Montagna added, "We also continue our discussions with several potential merger partners and remain optimistic that we will be able to achieve our overall goals."

CONTACT: Richard Montagna, president of Cellular Products, 716-882-0920

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NEW YORK, AUG. (15) PR NEWSWIRE - TPI Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ: TPIE), and AMC Entertainment, Inc. (AMEX, PSE: AEN), announced today that their wholly owned subsidiaries have agreed to amend the asset purchase agreement between them to terminate the agreement with respect to all but five of the remaining theatres not yet purchased by TPI from AMC. TPI will continue to have an option to purchase the five theatres.

In February 1989 and May 1990, TPI completed the purchase of interests in 56 theatres from AMC for approximately $125 million pursuant to an asset purchase agreement signed in August 1988. The agreement initially applied to 90 theatres. The most recent amendment terminates the agreement on the remaining 35 theatres, except to the extent it gives TPI the option to purchase interests in up to five of those theatres. The five theatres are located in metropolitan areas in which TPI previously purchased theatres from AMC. The option will expire on Nov. 21, 1990. There can be no assurance that the option will be exercised or if exercised, the purchases consummated.

AMC Entertainment, Inc., headquartered in Kansas City, Mo., owns/manages the second largest motion picture theatre circuit in the United States. At July 31, 1990, the company operated 1,616 screens in 27 states and the District of Columbia.

TPI Enterprises, Inc., through it two wholly-owned subsidiaries -- TPI Restaurants, Inc. and TPI Entertainment, Inc. -- currently owns and operates 166 Shoney's, 64 Captain D's and 10 other popularly-priced, full service family restaurants and 56 movie theatres containing 383 screens.

CONTACT: Herbert. L. Lanzet of TPI Enterprises, 212-230-2233, or Steven P. Zell, chief financial officer of AMC Entertainment, 816-221-4000

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Techne Corporation (NASDAQ: TECH) announced for the three months ended June 30, 1990, consolidated revenues were $4,295,155, net income after provision for income taxes was $555,720 and earnings per share was 6.6 cents. Compared to the fourth quarter of FY89 revenues increased by $855,477 (25 percent) and earnings after tax increased by $387,631.

For fiscal year 1990, Techne had after tax income of $1,181,466 on revenues of $15,681,533 and earnings per share of 14 cents. Compared to FY89 revenues increased $3,214,432 (26 percent) and earnings after tax increased $801,476.

The primary difference between the results of FY89 and FY90 was the performance of Techne's Hycel S.A. subsidiary. Compared to FY89, Hycel's revenues increased by $623,795 (11 percent) and net loss decreased from $243,171 to income of $372,736 as a result of the increased sales and decreases in selling, general and research expenses. Techne's R&D Systems subsidiary's sales increased $2,590,637 (37 percent) from FY89 while marketing and research costs increased proportionately, resulting in a $184,070 increase in earnings after tax.

TECHNE CORPORATION SELECTED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Fourth Quarter Ended		12 Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
	(Unaudited)		(Audited)	
Revenues	$4,295,155	$3,439,678	$15,681,533	$12,467,101
Percent change	24.87		25.78	
Operating result	652,720	210,089	1,393,466	537,990
Tax provision	191,000	42,000	367,000	158,000
Extraordinary item (A)	94,000	--	155,000	--
Net income	$555,720	$168,089	$1,181,466	$379,990
Net/share	$.066	$.021	$.140	$.046

(A) Extraordinary gain from tax loss carryforward.

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DALLAS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Edisto Resources Corporation (AMEX: EDS) today reported net income of $ 3.3 million, or $0.16 per common share after preferred dividends, on revenues of $15.2 million for the second quarter of 1990, compared with a net loss of $7.3 million, or $0.74 per common share after preferred dividends, on revenues of $12.6 million for the same quarter a year ago.

Net income for the current three month period reflects a gain of $11.9 million resulting from a redetermination of Edisto's interest in Hall-Houston Offshore. Net cash provided by operations was $15.5 million for the second quarter, compared with $7.2 million for the same quarter in 1989.

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $503,000, or a loss of $0.14 per common share after preferred dividends, compared with a net loss of $36.7 million, or $3.32 per common share after preferred dividends for the first six months of 1989. Net loss for the prior year six month period includes a $22.0 million noncash charge to earnings resulting from property sales. Net cash provided by operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $19.6 million, compared with $7.9 million for the same six month period of the previous year.

Revenues for the current three and six month periods increased when compared with the same periods of 1989 primarily because of an increase in natural gas production from offshore properties. Certain operating costs, including lease operating expenses, abandonment and exploration costs and depreciation and depletion were higher than those of the previous year, reflecting increased drilling and production activity. Interest expense for the second quarter and six month periods of 1990 declined by 30 percent and 32 percent, respectively, when compared with prior year periods because of a lower effective interest rate resulting from a 1989 debt refinancing.

A mid-year reserve update at July 1, 1990 showed pro forma proved oil and gas reserves (to include reserves attributable to ESCO Energy, Inc. which was acquired in July 1990) of 8.8 million barrels of oil and 162.8 billion cubic feet, compared with 1989 year-end proved reserves of 9.7 million barrels of oil and 136.6 billion cubic feet of gas, indicating the company replaced approximately 110 percent of its production during the first six months of 1990.

Edisto Resources Corporation's consolidated activities include the production of oil and gas, the exploration for, and the development of, oil and gas reserves and the acquisition of oil and gas properties.

CONTACT: Rhonda L. Wright, manager-investor relations, 214-880-9330, or Margaret C. Bell, senior vice president, 214-880-9341, both of Edisto.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Baker Hughes Incorporated (NYSE, PSE, Zurich: BHI) today announced that it has called for redemption its convertible exchangeable preferred stock. The redemption date is Aug. 31, 1990 with a payment to holders of preferred stock being $52.61 per share for each share redeemed which includes accrued dividends through the redemption date.

Each share of preferred stock is currently convertible into 1.9608 shares of common stock. The company's common stock closed yesterday at $32.75 on the New York Stock Exchange.

The company has entered into an arrangement with a standby group of purchasers represented by the First Boston Corporation to provide the necessary funding for redemption of the preferred stock if holders should decide not to convert into common stock of the company. Holders of preferred stock must convert prior to the close of business on Aug. 27, 1990 or their shares will be redeemed.

Baker Hughes is a leading provider of products and services for the oil, gas and process industries.

CONTACT: Ronald G. Turner of Baker Hughes Incorporated, 713-439-8668.

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LONDON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Guinness PLC and Greene, King and Sons, plc have announced today that Guinness PLC has acquired the 25 percent shareholding and loan stock interest in The Harp Lager Company owned by Greene King for 6 million pounds sterling. The Harp Lager Company will now be a wholly owned subsidiary of Guinness.

Greene King has held a substantial shareholding in The Harp Lager Company since 1979, as part of a long-term agreement for the supply and distribution of Harp's portfolio of lager brands, including Kronenbourg 1664. This shareholding provided Greene King with a stake in the Harp lager brewery on the Park Royal site of Guinness Brewing.

Over the last five years Greene King has enjoyed continued growth in its sales of Harp brands, well ahead of market trends. This increase in Harp Lager volume has allowed Greene King to exercise its option, contained in the long-term distribution agreement with Harp, to brew Harp under license. Consequently, Greene King made a major investment in its own lager brewery at Biggleswade, where it began production of Harp earlier

this year. The successful transition to licensed brewing has thus removed the rationale for Greene King to maintain a share in the Harp lager brewery at Park Royal, and hence its shareholding in Harp.

"We have been delighted with the success of the Harp and Kronenbourg brands throughout our tied estate and free trade business," said Simon Redman, chairman of Greene King. "The sale of our shareholding in The Harp Lager Company is a logical step now that we are brewing Harp lager under license. Our continuing brewing and distribution agreements will maintain our commitment to the Harp brands; our lager strategy is now in place for the 1990's."

"Greene King has made a significant contribution to the development of The Harp Lager Company," said Peter Lipscomb, managing director of Guinness Brewing and Chairman of The Harp Lager Company. "The new arrangements will ensure the continued success of Harp into the future."

CONTACT: Bill Spears of Guinness PLC, 011-4471-486-0288, or Simon Redman, chairman of Greene, King & Sons, plc, 011-44-284-763222, or Karyn Plickert of Dewe Rogerson Inc., 212-688-6840, for Guinness

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HARTFORD (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Connecticut Natural Gas Corporation (NYSE: CTG) today reported a consolidated net loss from continuing operations of $613,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, up from the $82,000 net loss recorded for the same quarter of 1989. The consolidated net loss per share was 8 cents compared to a net loss of 1 cent recorded for 1989.

Consolidated net income from continuing operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $9,063,000 ($1.08 per share) compared to $7,876,000 ($1.01 per share) reported for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

For the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, consolidated net income from continuing operations totaled $14,185,000 ($1.72 per share) compared with net income of $9,511,000 ($1.23 per share) reported for the 12 months ended last year. Consolidated revenues for the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, were $230,319,000, compared with revenues of $199,320,000 reported for the comparable period a year ago. Discontinued operations per share earnings for the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, were a 6 cent per share loss versus income of 1 cent per share reported in the comparable period ended June 30, 1989. After including the effect of discontinued operations, consolidated earnings are $1.66 for 1990, compared to $1.24 for 1989.

Frauenhofer, president and chief executive officer, indicated that increased revenues between all comparable periods are principally attributable to the new higher gas rates which first became effective in September 1989. A greater second quarter loss was recorded in 1990, as compared to 1989, because the increases in revenues during the period were inadequate to overcome greater increases in operating costs.

The greater year to date and 12 months earnings increases have been supported by cumulative higher profit margins on sales to interruptible customers, which offset reduced sales to our firm customers, during the warmer weather experienced in the first six months of 1990.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - USR Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: UIND) today reported operating results for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

USR INDUSTRIES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(UNAUDITED)

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 360,110	$ 355,619	$ 672,856	$ 550,766
Net earnings (loss)	(633)	(133,833)	(106,412)	(223,756)
Per share results:				
Net earnings (loss)	(.00)	(.13)	(.11)	(.22)
Wtd. avg. no. of comm. shares outstanding	994,666	994,655	994,655	994,656

CONTACT: Stephen C. Miller, principal accounting officer, 713-622- 9171, or Clement J. Wyle 212-838-8716, for USR.

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael Brown, president of The Thomson Corporation (Toronto Stock Exchange: TOC), today announced a major executive change, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Robert C. Hall, currently chief executive officer of Thomson Financial Services (TFS), will be appointed chief executive officer of the Information/Publishing Group, and will become a director of The Thomson

Corporation effective Jan. 1.

"To assist in this transition, Bob Hall will assume the new role of chief operating officer of IPG, effective Sept. 1, 1990. Bob Hall joined TFS as president/chief operating officer in 1985, becoming chief executive officer on Jan. 1, 1989. TFS has experienced a rapid rate of growth and strong profitability since its inception in 1985. Prior to joining Thomson, Bob Hall held a number of senior executive positions, including chief executive officer of SBS (a joint venture of IBM, AETNA and COMSAT), executive vice president of the New York Stock Exchange, chief executive officer of the Securities Industry Automation Corporation and group vice president of Control Data Corporation. Bob Hall's successor in TFS will be announced shortly," Brown said.

Kenneth Thomson, chairman of The Thomson Corporation, said: "Bob Jachino is a long-standing and close colleague with whom we have all enjoyed a warm relationship. Under his leadership, Thomson Information/Publishing Group has become one of the leading businesses of its kind in the world. Not least of Bob's achievements is the extremely strong and experienced management team he will leave in place. Bob Hall and his colleagues will take IPG on to still greater success."

The Thomson Information/Publishing Group has operations in the United Kingdom, North America, Australia and Scandinavia, which generate revenues of over U.S. $2 billion and employ over 21,000 staff. The parent company, The Thomson Corporation, also has strong and leading interests in newspapers and leisure travel, and generates total worldwide revenues of over U.S. $5 billion.

CONTACT: W. Michael Brown, president of The Thomson Corporation, 212-309-8715.

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#90227p5661 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAUKESHA, WI (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Hein-Werner Corp. (AMEX: HNW) today announced that its Winona Van Norman division has signed an exclusive sales and marketing agreement with Ingenious Devices Limited (IDL) of Ontario, Canada to sell the entire IDL equipment line worldwide. Winona Van Norman is the recognized leader of engine rebuilding equipment in the United States.

A new sales company will be formed, Winona IDL, and the former IDL sales representatives in Canada and the United States will join the new company. Winona IDL will include all of IDL's present product line plus selected Winona Van Norman cylinder head rebuilding equipment.

Hein-Werner also has acquired the worldwide rights to a new robotic CNC

cylinder head rebuilding machine which will be offered exclusively through its Winona Van Norman division. This equipment is state-of-the- art and will provide Winona Van Norman distinct competitive advantages in the marketplace.

Joseph L. Dindorf, president and chief executive officer, said, "This is an outstanding opportunity for our company. Winona IDL will now offer one of the most complete and extensive product lines to small specialized engine rebuilding and cylinder head reclamation shops. This partnership will further solidify Winona Van Norman's leadership position in engine rebuilding equipment."

Hein-Werner Corp. is a leading worldwide manufacturer and marketer of collision repair, automotive service and fluid power equipment. The company has manufacturing operations in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Europe.

CONTACT: Daniel Z. Gutt, vice president-finance and treasurer of Hein-Werner, 414-542-6611

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#90227p5662 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Torotel, Inc. (AMEX: TTL), the manufacturer of magnetic electronic components, today announced it was awarded a $2.3 million contract from Rockwell International, of Duluth, Ga. Shipments will begin during the second quarter, ending Oct. 31, 1990 and will run through June 1991.

The contract is for the Hellfire missile, one of the U.S. Army's most effective anti-armor weapon systems, and is the primary system on the AH-64 Apache helicopter. Torotel will provide the magnetic components used in the switched-mode supplies as well as in the headcoil assembly, which operates the gyro optics and controls the missiles's detonation.

"The $2.3 million award is the first production contract of a four-year procurement program," said Alfred F. Marsh, Torotel president. "Its size is particularly significant for Torotel, representing about 25 percent of our total revenues for fiscal 1990, which ended in April. In addition, another contact is imminent for 500 Hellfire systems for the government of Israel. These are two examples of why we expect to post high sales and earnings for fiscal 1991."

Torotel's year-end results for fiscal 1990 included net sales of $9.2 million and net earnings of $337,000, or 13 cents per share.

Torotel, Inc. specializes in the design and high-volume manufacture of a broad line of precision magnetic components used in military and

industrial electronic systems. These components, which include transformers, chokes and toroidal coils, are sold to original equipment manufacturers for use in such products as avionic equipment, marine communication and navigation, telecommunications and weapons fire control systems. The company has a customer base of more than 400 companies and over 85 percent of its sales are for defense applications.

CONTACT: Al Marsh, president of Torotel, 816-761-6314; Lynne Franklin or Holly Goldin, 312-266-7800, Regina Ryan, 212-661-8030, both Financial Relations Board for Torotel

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#90227p5668 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Michigan Bell customers in many Detroit exchanges soon can have the first of a new generation of "smart" calling services, allowing them to receive only the calls they want, return missed calls easily -- even redial busy numbers while they're away from the phone.

Michigan Bell President Kenneth E. Millard said, "What's really 'smart' about these services is the increased control and convenience they give our customers."

Authorized by the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) Aug. 9 and available effective Sept. 4, the four new offerings -- advanced additions to the Custom Calling line -- are:

-- Call Screening, which allows customers to divert unwanted calls -- even from unknown numbers -- to a telephone company recording. Call Screening helps customers prevent interruptions and restrict unwanted calls;

-- Distinctive Ringing, which gives a special ring to a group of up to 10 phone numbers -- e.g., parents, children, bosses -- selected by the customer. The feature allows customers to determine which calls are especially important before they pick up the phone;

-- Automatic Callback, which lets customers return a missed call, even if they don't know the phone number -- for example, when they're outside mowing the lawn or just coming in the door with an armful of groceries; and,

-- Repeat Dialing, which dials a busy number for up to 30 minutes, freeing the caller to wash the car, do the laundry -- even talk on the phone to someone else until the other number is available.

The new services will be available initially in 68 Detroit exchanges serving more than 350,000 residence customers. Michigan Bell will introduce the services in stages as it installs the needed equipment and

software in its call-processing centers.

Call Screening is priced at $4.50 a month, the others at $4 a month. During a 30-day introductory period, Michigan Bell will waive a one-time setup charge of $7.50 for existing customers.

CONTACT: Dean Hovey of Michigan Bell, 313-223-7199

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NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - McDermott International, Inc. (NYSE: MDR), announced that its Babcock and Wilcox (B and W) operating unit received an interim contract from Aeroject of Sacramento, Calif., to manufacture the reuseable steel casings for the Space Shuttle Advanced Solid Rocket Motors (ASRM). B and W also received a companion interim contract from Lockheed Missiles and Space Company of Sunnyvale, Calif., for related equipment acquisition and installation.

These interim contracts are expected to be converted into long-term contracts valued at more than $ 210 million over five years later this summer. A contract option could be worth an additional $240 million with work beginning in the mid-1990s and continuing through the balance of the decade.

B and W plans to produce the ASRM casings at Mt. Vernon, Ind., in an existing facility that will be renovated over the next two years. The production process takes extensive advantage of new materials, manufacturing techniques, automation and process control technology. B and W will perform a comprehensive development program on these processes in parallel with facility renovation. Initial production will begin in 1992 with the first ASRM powered space shuttle launch scheduled in late 1995.

Once completed, the ASRM casings will be barged along the inland waterway system from Mt. Vernon to Yellow Creek, Miss., where Aerojet will complete the manufacturing process.

The finished motors will then be barged to the shuttle launchport at Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

Lockheed Missiles and Space Company is the prime contractor and systems integrator on the ASRM project. Lockheed was awarded a long- term contract by NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center for the ASRM Project in May 1990. Aerojet will be Lockheed's principal subcontractor and will design, develop and manufacture the ASRMs at Yellow Creek.

McDermott International, Inc., is a leading worldwide energy services company. The company and its subsidiaries manufacture steam- generating

equipment, defense products, and tubular products. They also provide engineering and construction services for industrial and utility facilities onshore, and to the oil and gas industry offshore.

CONTACT: Ken Salzer of McDermott, 504-587-4346

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#90227p5675 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was issued by the Communications Workers of America:

At approximately 3:30 a.m. today, the Communications Workers of America (CWA) and Western Union reached tentative agreement on a new two-year contract covering some 2,500 workers.

The union beat back a series of retrogressive company proposals. The tentative agreement ends a four-day lock-out imposed by Western Union management.

"We are extremely pleased with this agreement," said CWA President Morton Bahr. "It is clearly one in which our members can be proud and one that will serve the shareholders and customers of Western Union well."

The union was successful in:

-- Beating back company efforts to further shift rising health care costs to active employees and their dependents.
-- Negotiating a wage increase of 3.5 percent each year (7 percent over the life of the contract) plus increases for part-time employees.
-- Saving the Wage Investment Plan (WIP), a profit-sharing plan the company was attempting to eliminate.
-- Maintaining pensions at their current levels.
-- Winning four days back-pay for all employees locked-out by the company.

"All we have asked is that we be treated fairly, and we believe that this settlement reflects the company's recognition of that," Bahr said. "We're sure that Western Union customers will be happy to have our dedicated and skilled members back providing excellent service."

The union contract expired at midnight on Aug. 6. CWA and Western Union continued to bargain past the contract expiration. On Aug. 11, the company locked out the union members, but negotiations continued. "This new agreement is retroactive to Aug. 7, 1990," Bahr said, "thus protecting the wages and benefits of our members throughout this negotiating period."

CWA members began returning to work today. The contract is tentative

pending ratification by the members. The ratification will be done by mail ballot and final results should be tallied by early September.

In view of the announced purchase by AT&T of Western Union's Business Services Group, plans will soon be underway for negotiations between AT&T and CWA for the 400-500 workers who will be transferred to AT&T as a result of the sales agreement.

CONTACT: Steve Rosenthal of the Communications Workers of America, 202-728-2390 or, after hours, 301-587-6817

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#90227p5676 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Scotti Brothers Entertainment Industries, Inc. and All American Television, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALLT) today jointly announced the extension to Sept. 14, 1990 of the time period during which Scotti Brothers can exercise its right to acquire all of the shares of certain principal shareholders of All American.

The exercise period was extended pursuant to the terms of the option agreement entered into on May 18, 1990 by Scotti Brothers and such shareholders who, together, own approximately 42.5 percent of the outstanding shares of All American.

The option agreement contemplates a merger, business combination or similar transaction between All American and Scotti Brothers. Scotti Brothers is currently negotiating with a group of investors for the financing of such transaction. No binding commitment has been entered into with investors.

Scotti Brothers is a privately held entertainment corporation based in Los Angeles. Its divisions include a record company, a motion picture production and distribution company, a television production company, and an international sales and distribution organization for motion pictures and video.

All American is a New York-based publicly traded company engaged in the distribution of television programming to domestic and international television stations, cable television networks and home video markets, and the sale of commercial time to advertisers.

CONTACT: Tom Bradshaw, senior executive vice president of Scotti Brothers Entertainment Industries, (213) 450-3193, or Joseph E. Kovacs, chief operating officer of All American Television, (212) 818-1200.

-30- 1851

#90227p5678 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA, (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Home Depot Inc. (NYSE: HD) announced today that its board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of $.03 per share, payable Sept. 12 to shareholders of record as of Aug. 29.

The Home Depot currently operates 126 warehouse stores which sell a wide variety of building materials and home improvement products for the do-it-yourself and home remodeling markets. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "HD."

CONTACT: Ronald M. Brill, senior vice president and CFO, 404-431-2727, or Lonnie Fogel, 404-431-2666, both of The Home Depot

-30- 781

#90227p5680 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Andersen Consulting has been awarded a $10.2 million contract to implement integrated management and administrative systems for JPL's Management and Administrative Support Systems (MASS) program. The Andersen contract will involve the development of integrated software for much of JPL's operations.

Prior to this award, in 1989, JPL also awarded Andersen a contract to implement a purchasing and a human resource management system.

The scope of the program encompasses accounts payable, general ledger, and product and service procurement. The project addresses every aspect of system integration activities, including management and administration, quality assurance, operations and maintenance, systems engineering, and education and training.

The upgrades to be implemented by Andersen Consulting will enable JPL to operate with increased long-term efficiency and productivity. The improvements will also allow JPL to accommodate its increasingly demanding business and information needs far into the future.

JPL, which is both a federally funded installation of NASA and an operating division of the California Institute of Technology (CalTech), is based in Pasadena and has been involved in virtually all U.S. unmanned space missions, including current exploration by the probes Voyager, Magellan and Galileo.

Andersen Consulting, the world's largest systems integration consulting firm, is made up of more than 19,000 professionals worldwide, including over 350 in Southern California. Andersen Consulting is very active in planning, design, implementation, operation, and ongoing support of information systems for the world's major industries, governments and service organizations.

CONTACT: Mark H. Leaf of Andersen Consulting, 213-614-1616, or (home) 818-505-9667

-30- 2029

#90227p5683 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Valspar Corporation (AMEX: VAL), a major coatings company, reported third quarter earnings of $10,064,000 compared to $8,460,000 a year ago and earnings per share of 92 cents, a 21 percent increase versus 76 cents per share last year. Sales for the quarter were $160,993,000, up ten percent from $146,072,000 the previous year.

For the first nine months earnings increased 13 percent to $19,872,000 versus $17,638,000 last year, earnings per share were $1.82, up 16 percent from $1.57 last year and sales were $423,455,000, up 11 percent from $381,009,000 a year ago.

C. Angus Wurtele, Valspar's chairman, commented that "Valspar's Consumer and Special Products Groups showed strong results for the quarter, while the performance of the Industrial Coatings Group continued to reflect the weakening condition in the industrial economy."

Wurtele said that "while recent events in the Middle East add more uncertainty to the economic outlook, we believe that Valspar should finish the year with a good fourth quarter and another year of record results."

The board of directors at its meeting on Aug. 15 declared a regular quarterly dividend of 13 cents per share payable Oct. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990.

THE VALSPAR CORPORATION COMPARATIVE RESULTS (Unaudited)

	Third Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	7/27/90	7/28/89	7/27/90	7/28/89
Net sales	$160,993,000	$146,072,000	$432,455,000	$381,009,000
Cost of sales	114,263,000	106,631,000	303,478,000	279,567,000
Operating expenses	28,738,000	25,036,000	79,571,000	69,729,000
Operating profit	17,992,000	14,405,000	40,406,000	31,713,000
Interest expense	1,095,000	1,439,000	3,854,000	4,287,000
Other income (expense)-net	(262,000)	1,265,000	(3,706,000)	1,728,000

Income before income taxes	16,635,000	14,231,000	32,846,000	29,154,000
Income taxes	6,571,000	5,771,000	12,974,000	11,516,000
Net income	$ 10,064,000	$ 8,460,000	$ 19,872,000	$ 17,638,000
Net income per common share	$.92	$.76	$1.82	$1.57
Average number of shares outstanding	10,935,787	11,154,482	10,930,716	11,203,614

CONTACT: Paul C. Reyelts of The Valspar Corporation, (612) 375-7702.

-30- 2706

#90227p5686 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Techbyte International Inc. today announced an agreement between Techbyte International (USA) Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary, and William K. Bradford Publishing Company of Acton, Mass., whereby a non-exclusive, worldwide license is granted to Bradford Publishing Company to publish a version of Techbyte's ClassMaster(R) software for the Apple(R) Macintosh(R) computer. Bradford will publish the software under its private label.

ClassMaster is an educational productivity system designed for use by educators at elementary, secondary, and college levels for managing student achievement.

"The market for software productivity tools for teachers is growing rapidly," stated William D. Gattis, president of Techbyte International Inc., "and the recent initiative by the National Education Association to encourage each teacher to obtain and use a personal computer will certainly encourage continued growth."

A unique and attractive feature of the ClassMaster software is its ability to import and export information from other different computer systems and educational software applications, which greatly expands its usefulness.

Scott Bowers, vice president for sales and marketing of Techbyte International (USA) Inc., described the agreement with William K. Bradford as the first of several such agreements, which will place the ClassMaster concept into several distribution channels. Bowers stated that "every publisher that has seen this software has wanted it." In addition,

Bowers said that Techbyte would sell a version of the product directly to major school systems in the United States and Canada under the ClassMaster label beginning in the fall. He added that ClassMaster for the Apple Macintosh is scheduled for publication in late summer 1990 by Techbyte, and a second MS-DOS(R) version for IBM(R) compatibles is scheduled for publication in November, 1990.

William K. Bradford is an educational publishing company specializing in educational software for the K-12 market. Bradford publishes and distributes the D.C. Heath line of educational software through an arrangement with D.C. Heath Publishing Company, of Lexington, Mass., a well-known major textbook publisher in the United States, as well as publishing additional titles under the Bradford label.

CONTACT: Ron Moore, vice president and general manager of Techbyte International, 514-670-9452; or Scott Bowers, vice president, sales and marketing of Techbyte International (USA) Inc., 817-261-8487

-30- 2784

#90227p5687 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - KCS Group, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: KCSG) announced today that its Enercorp subsidiary has acquired an additional 33 percent working interest in the San Salvador field in Hidalgo County, Texas, from Esenjay Petroleum Corp., bringing its working interest in the field to 51 percent.

The San Salvador field, which covers approximately 900 acres, currently has four producing wells and offers additional development potential. The purchase significantly increases KCS's gas reserves according to a company spokesman.

The San Salvador purchase follows a recently announced contract to acquire for $21.5 million a 150-mile intrastate natural gas pipeline in Texas running from north of Houston to a point 20 miles northeast of Madisonville, Texas, in which Enercorp will have a 90 percent interest.

KCS Group has major subsidiaries in oil and gas services, exploration, production and transportation, as well as energy marketing and energy consulting.

CONTACT: Robert MacPherson of KCS Group, 201-494-4585

-30- 1213

#90227p5688 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Samson Energy Co. Limited Partnership (AMEX: SAM) announced today its declaration of a cash distribution in the

amount of 40 cents per unit payable on Sept. 30, 1990 to unitholders of record on Aug. 31, 1990. A total of 4,387,678 units are outstanding.

This distribution represents the company's 19th consecutive quarterly distribution since its formation in 1986. Total cash distributed to unitholders over this period is $24,543,482, or $7.90 per unit.

Samson Energy Co. is a publicly traded master limited partnership whose principal business activities include the development and operation of oil and gas properties and the acquisition of additional producing properties. Depositary receipts evidencing units are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "SAM."

CONTACT: Dennis R. Neill of Samson Properties Inc., 918-583-1791

-30- 1072

#90227p5689 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Advanced Medical Inc. (AMEX: AMA) announced today that its Board of Directors declared the semi-annual dividend of 50 cents per share on its 10 percent Cumulative Preferred Stock, par value 1 cent per share, payable Sept. 27, 1990 to stockholders of record on Aug. 27, 1990.

CONTACT: Stanley S. Anders III, CEO of Advanced Medical, 415-291-8801.

-30- 562

#90227p5690 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Young & Rubicam announced today that it was strengthening its leadership position in Eastern Europe by becoming the first Western company to establish an advertising agency in Prague. The new firm, at present known as AB Line Studios, will be called Young & Rubicam Czechoslovakia and opens on Sept. 1.

"The pace of political and economic change in the past year alone in Czechoslovakia has been breathtaking," said Joseph De Deo, president and CEO of Young & Rubicam Advertising. "The new Czech government is committed to significantly raising the standard of living of its citizens and we have every reason to believe they will succeed over time.

"Young & Rubicam enters the country at a wonderful crossroad to the future. Advertising by Western companies is now permitted in most media -- including television and radio. It is an exciting time filled with real possibilities for growth of Western business. Beyond this, I believe we can help Czechoslovakia as it strives toward building business in the West," he continued.

"The key to opening this agency was finding the right partner -- a strong creative leader who shares our goals and standards," said De Deo. "We were very lucky. After a careful search we found that partner, Jiri Kratena."

Young & Rubicam Czechoslovakia will be headed by Kratena, who has been active in the communications business in Czechoslovakia for the past two years. His company AB Line Studios is privately held and was one of the first to develop local commercial advertising campaigns. It is also regarded as one of the most creative in the country.

Kratena, a former student of the Prague Film Institute, has also directed several major television documentaries for Czechoslovakia.

The agency's client list includes several Czech companies including Radio Vox (the country's first private radio station) and Motokov, one of the largest Czech trading companies manufacturing a wide variety of consumer durables and industrial products. He has also worked on projects for various Western companies.

"We are delighted to join with Young & Rubicam," said Kratena. "Their creative spirit is matched by their vast expertise. We look forward to employing the agency's enormous worldwide communications skills and resources and using them in our country," he said.

In July 1989 Young & Rubicam established an office in Budapest, Hungary, which is the largest international agency in that country with billings of $5 million and a staff of 80. In 1988, Young & Rubicam became the first Western marketing communications agency to open in the Soviet Union. Y&R/Sovero remains the largest operations of its type in that country.

CONTACT: Aviva Ebstein of Young & Rubicam, 212-210-3532

-30- 2994

#90227p5695 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. (AMEX: SBN) today announced substantial gains in earnings for the second quarter and first half of fiscal 1991, over the like periods of the previous year. Sunbelt's 1991 fiscal year runs from Feb. 1, 1990 to Jan. 31, 1991.

For the second quarter, ended July 31, 1990, Sunbelt reported net income of $4,891,000, or $1.24 per share, on sales of $39,438,000, compared with a net loss of $11,641,000, or $3.13 per share, on sales of $38,271,000 for the same period a year ago.

For the first half of fiscal 1991, net income was $11,881,000, or $3.03 per share on sales of $87,942,000, compared with a net loss of $6,548,000, or $1.81 per share, on sales of $90,721,000 in the same period a year ago.

The fiscal 1991 first half and second quarter earnings included extraordinary credits for tax loss carryforwards of $1.07 and 44 cents per share, respectively. The fiscal 1990 losses reflect the $16 million provision the company made in May 1989 to cover the costs associated with closing 53 retail locations.

Donald W. Davis, Sunbelt's president and chief executive officer, credited the improved operating results to a variety of factors.

"We benefitted from excellent weather during the second quarter, which is normally one of our stronger periods," Davis said. "And, we experienced greater demand than usual from nursery products because of the freeze last winter that killed and damaged lawns and plants in the Southwest.

"Our people did a good job of anticipating and meeting that demand," Davis said. "Consequently, sales increased dramatically and we enjoyed stronger profit margins from the rapid turnover in inventory."

The chief executive noted that although sales appeared flat from one year to the next, the prior year's results included the totals from 53 stores that were later closed. Actually, he noted, comparable store sales for the second quarter were up 12 percent over those of the same period last year.

Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. is the dominant nursery enterprise in six of the 11 largest lawn and garden markets in the United States, with 96 stores that feature nursery stock and lawn and garden supplies. The company's common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol SBN.

CONTACT: Robert L. Broadhead or David O. Martin, both of Sunbelt Nursery Group, 817-738-8111

-30- 2600

#90227p5697 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Service Corporation International (SCI)(NYSE: SRV), today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.14 per share of common stock.

R. L. Waltrip, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said that the cash dividend is payable Oct. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 16.

The common stock of SCI, the largest funeral service and cemetery company in North America, is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Bill Barrett of Service Corporation International, 713-525-5497, or Barbara Sands of Burson-Marsteller, 212-614-5219, for Service Corporation International

-30- 864

#90227p5702 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - KnowledgeWare Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: KNOW), a leading developer of Computer-Aided Software Engineering (CASE) products, today announced its financial results for the quarter ended June 30.

The company reported net income for the quarter of $3,600,000, or $.29 per share. Revenues for the quarter were $22,323,000, up 44 percent from revenues of $15,473,000 for the corresponding period of 1989.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, net income totaled $9,764,000, or $.83 per share, compared to $6,322,000, or $.74 per share for fiscal 1989. Revenues for fiscal 1990 were $66,229,000, compared to revenues of $32,958,000 for fiscal 1989.

"We are extremely proud of our financial performance during the fourth quarter and for the entire fiscal year," said Fran Tarkenton, KnowledgeWare's chairman and chief executive officer. "Not only did we meet our earnings per share goals for the quarter and year, but we accomplished this with the challenges of a significantly higher tax rate compared to fiscal 1989, and an increased number of shares as a result of the initial public offering in October 1989. In addition, we hired 275 new employees during the fiscal year, an increase of 143 percent from the starting headcount in July 1989. This staffing level positions us well to meet our financial goals for fiscal 1991, as well as to provide both the product development and marketing capacity to capitalize on the increased CASE market potential created by the release of AD/Cycle, IBM's CASE strategy for application development.

"Comparisons of our fourth-quarter earnings and revenue are complex," Tarkenton continued. "During the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989, the company realized $2,600,000 in revenue from a technology licensing agreement with IBM, which accounted for $.23 of the quarter's $.41 earnings per share. Although we completed a licensing agreement in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 with a Japanese affiliate of Ernst & Young, the contribution to both revenue and earnings per share from that agreement was considerably less than the licensing agreement in fiscal 1989 with IBM."

During the June 30 quarter, KnowledgeWare introduced two additional workstation-based products for the OS/2 operating system, thus providing a complete set of "full lifecycle" CASE products, the Application Development Workbench(TM), for OS/2. "We are pleased with the tremendous

initial acceptance of our OS/2 products," said Terry McGowan, president. "With the first two OS/2 products initially available for shipment in March 1990 and the remaining two during June 1990, we were able to ship approximately 6,000 OS/2 products domestically by the end of the June quarter. The volume of shipments was especially gratifying, since shipment to international customers does not commence until the first quarter of fiscal 1991," McGowan continued.

KnowledgeWare develops, markets and supports Computer-Aided Software Engineering (CASE) tools for use by information systems development professionals. The company has offices throughout the United States, and distributors in 31 countries. KnowledgeWare has been marketing its products since 1985 and is an IBM business partner for AD/Cycle, IBM's application development strategy.

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CONTACT: Gene Ellis of KnowledgeWare, 404-231-8575

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#90227p5705 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Hyatt Hotels Corp. has announced that Peter Goldman, one of the most well-known and respected hoteliers in the industry whose career spans more than 50 years, has agreed to serve as an exclusive consultant for Hyatt following his retirement from the hotel industry.

Darryl Hartley-Leonard, president of Hyatt Hotels Corp., made the announcement at the ASAE board of directors dinner he hosted July 27.

Goldman, who is known in the industry as the "patriarch of San Francisco's hotel community," was most recently vice president-Hyatt Hotels of San Francisco. He now will concentrate on special long-range projects for the entire Hyatt chain. He will also continue to service existing accounts and generate new business with key corporate and group customers nationwide and particularly throughout California, where Goldman has worked for 40 years.

"Peter has contributed a great deal to the success of our hotels, not only in San Francisco, but throughout the country," Hartley-Leonard said. "We feel extremely fortunate that he has agreed to serve as consultant to our company. And, we're very excited about the benefit that his years of experience and key business relationships will continue to bring to the entire chain."

Goldman, a native of Breslau, Germany, began his hotel career in Shanghai,

China, with Sassoon Hotel Corp./Far East in 1939. He came to the United States in 1948 to work at New York City's Waldorf Astoria Hotel, and moved to San Francisco the next year to join the Fairmont hotel chain. In 1979, he was appointed regional vice president and managing director at Hyatt Regency San Francisco, where he remained until 1988 when he was named to his most recent position as vice president-Hyatt Hotels of San Francisco. As consultant to Hyatt, Goldman will continue to work out of San Francisco.

Goldman has served as director and president of the Hotels Employers Association of San Francisco, chairman of the board of the California Tourism Council, president of the San Francisco Convention and Visitors Bureau, president of the board of the California Hotel and Motel Association, and vice president of the board of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce.

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-30- 2506

#90227p5706 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI LAKES, FL (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Preferred Homecare of America (NASDAQ: PFRD), a home infusion therapy provider, today reported revenues of $1,471,844 compared with $729,181 for the second quarter ended March 31 1990. The net loss applicable to common stock was $306,005, or 3 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $69,810, or 1 cent per share reported in the year earlier period.

Revenues for the six month period ended June 30, 1990, increased 125 percent to $3,066,079, from the $1,360,435 reported in the first six months of 1989. The net loss applicable to common stock was $206,920, or 2 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $79,397, or 2 cents per share reported a year ago. Weighted average shares outstanding increased 118 percent to 9.8 million as a result of the company's initial public offering of 4.6 million shares.

Carlos M. Herrera, president and chief executive officer of Preferred Homecare, stated, "The strong growth in net patient revenues reported in the first six months of the year reflected the benefits of our acquisitions, increased services, and penetration of new geographic markets. However, we are disappointed that earnings did not keep pace with revenue growth during this period. Approximately 85 percent of the $207,000 loss sustained during the first half of the year was attributable to our Nursing Home Pharmaceutical subsidiary, which we expect to either sell or discontinue by Sept. 30, 1990. Additionally, we have taken steps to bring our costs under control over the balance of the year by implementing certain personnel and administrative cost reductions.

"We have grown initially from an acquisition oriented company in the $2

billion home infusion market, to the point where our sales force will play an ever increasing role in expanding revenues. We feel confident that the company's contracts with case management companies, HMOs, and hospitals will continue to contribute to future revenue and earnings growth," concluded Herrera.

Preferred Homecare of America, Inc. is a high-tech home infusion therapy company and provider of pharmaceuticals to sub-acute care facilities. The company has offices servicing patients in the metropolitan areas of Miami/Ft. Lauderdale, West Palm Beach, Tampa Bay/Pasco County, and Ft. Myers, Fla.; Baltimore/Washington, D.C.; and the New York/New Jersey metropolitan area.

PREFERRED HOMECARE OF AMERICA, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

Periods ended June 30	Three months 1990	Three months 1989	Six months 1990	Six months 1989
Revenues:				
Patient services, net of contractual allowances of $469,369, $197,964, $864,970, $298,360	$1,442,366	$ 729,181	$2,979,394	$1,360,435
Consulting fees and other	49,478	--	86,685	--
Total	1,471,844	729,181	3,066,079	1,360,435
Operating expenses: Medical supplies and equipment rentals	433,812	188,675	808,207	331,875
Selling, general and administrative	601,971	188,433	1,057,942	367,269
Compensation and related benefits	681,558	295,382	1,286,534	551,873
Total	1,717,341	672,490	3,152,683	1,251,017
Operating (loss) income	(245,497)	56,691	(86,604)	109,418
Interest expense	60,508	32,059	120,316	57,331
Income before provision for income taxes	(306,005)	24,632	(206,920)	52,087
Provision for income taxes; benefit of $45,000 for the three months ended 6/30/90, less $45,000 elimination of tax effect of 3/31/90 net operating loss carryforward	--	7,691	--	15,066
Net income (loss)	(306,005)	16,941	(206,920)	37,021
Preferred stock dividends and accretion	--	(86,751)	--	(116,418)
Net loss applicable to common stock	(306,005)	(69,810)	(206,920)	(79,397)
Net loss per common share and common stock equiv.;				

Net loss	(.03)	(.01)	(.02)	(.02)
Weighted average number of outstanding shares of common stock and common stock equivalents	9,933,854	4,767,588	9,772,569	4,484,489

CONTACT: Suzan M. Sattler, vice president of Preferred Homecare, 305-362-5123; or Mark Starr, 212-661-8030, or after 7 p.m., 516-783-4391, or Kathy Waller, 312-266-7800, both of The Financial Relations Board, for Preferred Homecare

-30- 4777

#90227p5711 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Logicon Inc. (NYSE: LGN) announced today that it has reached an agreement in principle with Hadson Corp. whereby Logicon will acquire Hadson's Ultrasystems Defense Inc. subsidiary.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed. As a result of the acquisition, Ultrasystems Defense Inc. will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Logicon. Consummation of the transaction is subject to certain conditions, including execution of a definitive acquisition agreement.

Ultrasystems Defense, with headquarters in Irvine, Calif. and operating locations in Irvine, El Segundo, Calif., and Sunnyvale, Calif., as well as Sierra Vista, Ariz. and Colorado Springs, Colo., is a professional services company specializing in systems engineering, software development and systems development and integration in support of command, control, communications, and intelligence (C3I) needs. The unit, with current annual revenues of approximately $27 million and 280 people, was a part of Ultrasystems Inc., which was acquired by Hadson in 1988.

Logicon is a leader in providing advanced technology systems and services to support national security, civil and industrial needs.

CONTACT: John Tuffy of Logicon Inc., 213-373-0220, ext. 260.

-30- 1438

#90227p5714 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Royal Palm Beach Colony, Limited Partnership (AMEX: RPB) announced today the results of its liquidating operations for its third quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter of the current fiscal year were $1,205,000 compared with $789,000 in the three month period ended June 30, 1989. In the current quarter, the Partnership reported net income of $873,000 or 19

cents per unit, compared with net income of $114,000 or 3 cents per unit for the three months ended June 30, 1989.

Revenues for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 were $4,009,000 compared with $6,950,000 for the nine months ended June 30, 1989. For the nine months ended June 30, 1990 the Partnership reported net income of $2,027,000 or 45 cents per unit compared with net income for the nine months ended June 30, 1989 of $4,335,000 or 97 cents per unit.

The Partnership reported that it was continuing to liquidate its remaining properties, but that the pace of asset sales has declined since most of its assets have been sold. Reported earnings now consist primarily of interest earned on purchase money mortgages and recognition of previously deferred profits on prior installment sales of assets.

ROYAL PALM BEACH COLONY, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Unaudited)
(Except for per unit figures, all amounts are in thousands)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Revenues	$ 1,205	$ 789	$ 4,009	$ 6,950
Costs and expenses	332	675	1,982	2,615
Net income	$ 873	$ 114	$ 2,027	$ 4,335
Income per unit	$ 0.19	$ 0.03	$ 0.45	$ 0.97
Weighted average number of units outstanding	4,486	4,486	4,486	4,486

CONTACT: Martin J. Katz, executive vice president and managing general partner of Royal Palm Beach Colony, Limited Partnership, 305-949-2100

-30- 2306

#90227p5715 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PASADENA, CALIF. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Hershey Oil Corp. (AMEX: HSO) today reported operating results for the second quarter and first half of 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $1,364,000 compared to $1,804,000 in the like period a year ago and net loss of $193,000 or $.03 per share was reported as against net income of $42,000 or $.01 per share in last year's second quarter.

For the first half, revenues were $2,720,000 compared to $3,439,000 in the corresponding period last year. A loss of $233,000 or four cents per share, was sustained, compared to net income of $84,000 or one cent per share, in 1989's first six months.

Ralph O. Kehle, chairman and chief executive officer explained: "The volumes of oil, gas and sulphur sold by the company declined in both the quarter and the half. Water disposal problems at two important U.S. properties led to the lower oil production during the half. Purchases of natural gas from both Coleman and Benjamin Creek were limited to contract volumes this year, whereas all producible volumes were sold last year. In addition, our working interest in the Benjamin Creek field was significantly higher in 1989's first half prior to the payout of surface facilities in August 1989.

On May 9, 1990, Hershey Oil Corp. and American Exploration Co. signed a definitive merger agreement which calls for American to pay $7 per share in cash for up to 17.257 percent of Hershey's common stock and to exchange 1.611 shares of American's stock for each remaining Hershey share.

Hershey Oil Corp. is an independent oil and gas company with operations in Canada and the United States. Its stock is traded on the American, Pacific and Toronto Stock Exchanges under the symbol HSO.

CONTACT: Dan Evans of Hershey Oil, 818-405-8888; or John H. Foley of Foristall, 213-626-4524, for Hershey Oil

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#90227p5716 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald R. Cooper has been named chairman and chief executive officer of Massachusetts Indemnity and Life Insurance Company (MILICO), it was announced today by Primerica Corporation (NYSE: PA), parent company of MILICO and its marketing affiliate, A.L. Williams Corporation.

Cooper succeeds J. Treacy Beyer in this position. Beyer continues as chairman and chief executive officer of A.L. Williams Corporation.

Sanford I. Weill, Primerica's chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We have brought Don Cooper on board at MILICO to allow Treacy Beyer to focus his energies on the marketing and sales efforts of A.L. Williams. Given the company's dramatic growth over the past ten years, and the opportunities we expect for continued expansion in the future, these reassignments provide a more effective allocation of our management talent. Treacy will focus on capitalizing on business opportunities, in terms of market penetration and new products, while Don Cooper's insurance management expertise will continue to advance the leadership position achieved by MILICO under Treacy's stewardship."

Beyer said, "I am delighted to turn over MILICO's reins to my highly talented and experienced colleague, and I look forward to working closely

with Don in developing new opportunities at A.L. Williams and MILICO."

Cooper, president and co-founder of Primerica's subsidiary, Resource Deployment Inc. (RDI), has more than 25 years of experience in the insurance industry. Beginning his career as an actuary with Connecticut General Life Insurance, he later became executive vice president of Transport Life Insurance Company, which was acquired in 1982 by a predecessor of Primerica. At Transport, and later at the Primerica insurance services subsidiary which acquired it, Cooper's responsibilities included the company's administrative, actuarial, planning and financial management activities.

MILICO is the underwriter of term life and accident and health coverages marketed exclusively through the A.L. Williams Corporation and its affiliated sales force. A.L. Williams also markets mutual funds and financial products in concert with several other Primerica subsidiaries.

Primerica Corporation is a diversified financial services company principally engaged in life, credit, accident & health, and property & casualty insurance, investment banking and securities brokerage, mortgage banking, mutual funds, asset management, consumer lending, credit cards and direct marketing. As of June 30, 1990, Primerica had assets of approximately $20 billion.

CONTACT: Mary McDermott, 212-891-8870, or Ken Koprowski, 212-891-8871, both of Primerica

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#90227p5720 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Winston Resources, Inc. (AMEX: WRS) today reported revenues and earnings for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter of $5,470,000 was approximately the same as the second quarter of 1989. The current quarter reflects a decrease in permanent placements prevalent in the sluggish Northeast market offset by the increase in temporary help revenues as compared to the second quarter of 1989.

Net loss for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, was $259,687 or $.09 per common share as compared to a net loss of $90,195 or $.03 per common share for the comparable quarter in 1989.

"The loss for the current three month period was primarily due to an increase in operating expenses in the current period as compared to the comparable period in 1989 of approximately $343,000 or 6 percent. Substantially all of this increase was related to the amortization of

intangibles, additions to staff in specialty areas, Division 10 Temps payroll, compensation related costs and the company's new Fisher Todd and Winston of N.J. operations. Our new activities and our expanded temporary help services are expected to generate increased revenues and income in the future," according to Sy Kaye, Winston's president and chief executive officer.

The company continued to maintain a liquid cash position at June 30, 1990, with approximately 16 percent of its assets in cash and cash equivalents. The company's current ratio, which stood at 3.5 to 1 at Mar. 31, 1990 was 3.4 to 1 at June 30, 1990.

Winston Resources, Inc., founded in 1967, provides a wide range of personnel recruiting, placement and temporary help services through company-owned offices and franchises to business, institutions and government agencies.

CONTACT: Reuben Abrams, treasurer of Winston Resources, 212-557-5000

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#90227p5721 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Allegheny International, Inc. (AI) (NYSE: AG) and its Chemetron subsidiary today announced that the transaction with Japonica Partners will not close today. A news release will be issued later today with further details. Japonica has advised the AI board of directors that Japonica will continue to work toward a closing.

CONTACT: Edward M. Romanoff of Allegheny International, 412-562-4131

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GLASTONBURY, CT (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - DataImage, Inc. (NASDAQ: DATA) of Glastonbury announced today revenues and a net loss for the three-month and six-month periods ended June 30, 1990.

For the three-month period ended June 30, 1990, DataImage had total revenues of $602,649 compared to $806,809 for the same period a year ago, a decrease of 25 percent. The net loss for the three-month period ended June 30, 1990 was $165,279 (or a net loss of 9 cents per share) which compares to net income of $52,671 (or net income per share of 4 cents) for the similar period in 1989.

For the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, DataImage had total revenues of $1,333,964 compared to $1,742,570 for the same period a year ago, a decrease of 23 percent. The net loss for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, was $288,081 (or a net loss of 16 cents per share) which

compares to net income of $119,857 (or net income per share of 9 cents) for the similar period in 1989.

Backlog as of June 30, 1990 was approximately $860,000. The decrease in total revenues for the first half of 1990 compared to the first half of 1989 was due to a 31 percent decrease in system sales, which was offset partially by the 76 percent increase in service revenues. The increase in service revenues is reflective of the increase in the installed system base since June 30, 1989. The gross profit for the second quarter 1990 was $246,024, a decrease of 17 percent from the gross profit for the second quarter of 1989. However, the gross profit margin for the second quarter was 40.8 percent which compares favorably with a gross profit margin of 36.5 percent for the comparable period in 1989 and the gross profit margin of 21.4 percent for the first quarter of 1990. The gross profit margin for the first half of 1990 was 30.2 percent down from the gross profit margin of 33.2 percent for the first half of 1989.

Much of the operating loss for the first half of 1990 is attributable to the 119 percent increase in selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses in the first half 1990 over the comparable period in 1989. As a result of the increase in SG&A expenses and a decrease in revenues, SG&A expenses as a percentage of total revenues were 51 percent for the first half of 1990 compared to 18 percent for the same period a year ago. The increase in SG&A expenses resulted from increased salary and expenses relative to market development, including continued expenses related to the New York City sales office, which was opened in August 1989. There were 25 employees as of June 30, 1990, compared to 15 employees as of June 30, 1989.

CONTACT: Robert L. Brasher, president of DataImage, Inc., 203-659-3980

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#90227p5723 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Strober Organization, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: STRB), a leading supplier of building materials to professional contractors from 11 centers in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, today reported results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the second quarter, the company reported a net loss of $507,000 or 8 cents per share on net sales of $28,769,000 compared to net income of $237,000 or 4 cents per share on net sales of $34,017,000 for the same period last year.

Net loss for the six months was $1,574,000 or 26 cents per share on net sales of $54,514,000 compared to net income of $353,000 or 6 cents per share on sales of $63,548,000 for the first six months of 1989.

Th e sales decrease of 15 percent in the second quarter and 14 percent in the first six months of 1990 was primarily due to a continuing decline in construction activity in the company's marketing area and also reduced sales volume due to the closing of the West Haven, Conn., center.

Reduced expenses resulting from the closing of the West Haven center and reductions in employee costs resulted in a decrease of selling, general and administrative expenses of $593,000 in the second quarter and $868,000 in the six months ended June 30, 1990, as compared to the same periods in 1989.

Litigation expenses relating to insurance claims totaled $97,000 in the second quarter and $405,000 for the first six months of 1990 as compared to $108,000 and $142,000 in the same periods of 1989.

Interest expense decreased $81,000 and $139,000, respectively, for the second quarter and six month period ended June 30, 1990, as compared to the same periods in 1989. The decrease in primarily attributable to lower bank loan balances during the 1990 periods.

THE STROBER ORGANIZATION, INC.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited -- in thousands, except per share data)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$28,769	$34,017	$54,514	$63,548
Net income (loss)	(507)	237	(1,574)	353
Net income per share	($.08)	$.04	($.26)	$.06
Wtd. average number of shares outstanding	6,061	6,063	6,061	6,087

CONTACT: David Polishook, chief financial officer of Strober, 718-875-9700

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#90227p5724 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - MCorp today reported a net loss of $188,000 in the second quarter of 1990. Net income of $1.4 million was reported in the second quarter of 1989. MCorp's second quarter loss was attributable to a loss from discontinued operations of $3.6 million partially offset by income from continuing operations of $3.4 million. The loss from discontinued operations was due to relatively high provisions for possible loan losses at certain subsidiary banks. Income from continuing operations, which reflects the operations of the combined parent companies, was principally due to interest income of $6.9 million and other income of $2 million partially offset by non-interest expenses of $4.9 million.

The discontinued operations include the results of operations of the five remaining bank subsidiaries and MVestment through the date of sale in February 1990. Management has concluded that the sale of these subsidiaries is in the best interest of the creditors and stockholders of the company and will maximize the value of the subsidiaries to the estates of the company. MCorp is currently the subject of a voluntary reorganization case under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

Net interest income, the amount by which interest earned exceeds interest paid, was favorably affected in the second quarter of 1990 by the non-accrual of interest on approximately $470 million of the company's unsecured debt for borrowed money in the bankruptcy cases. Net interest income amounted to $6.8 million in the second quarter. Other income of $2 million was due primarily to a recovery from a non-bank subsidiary. Non-interest expenses of $4.9 million included professional fees of $2.2 million, which relate to the Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings and the disposition of assets, and personnel expenses of $2.2 million.

The income reported in the second quarter of 1989 principally reflected income from discontinued operations of $4.5 million partially offset by a loss of $3.1 million from continuing operations. The loss from continuing operations primarily was attributable to a net loss of $5.5 million on the sale or writedown of investment securities.

During the first quarter of 1990, MCorp completed the sale of MVestment, a trust and investment subsidiary whose subsidiary MTrust, N.A. had statutory banking powers. MCorp realized a gain of $96.3 million on the transaction. Recognition of the gain on the sale of MVestment is being deferred pending completion of the sale of the remaining banks. The gain will be added to or netted against the gain or loss on the sale of the remaining banks.

CONTACT: Douglas R. Hughes, 214-939-5890; or Virginia L. Cleveland, 214-939-5866, both of MCorp

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#90227p5727 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Moody's Investors Service today announced it has named Paul M. Rumely as managing director-human resources effective immediately.

"As a service company, our human resources are of course our greatest asset," said John A. Bohn Jr., president of Moody's. "Paul Rumely will give us added leadership and experience in the care and enhancement of that asset."

Before joining Moody's, a company of the Dun and Bradstreet Corporation (NYSE: DNB), Rumely served as senior vice president, human resources, at Prudential Bache Securities, and as vice president, human resources, at the General Reinsurance Corporation. Prior to that time, he was with the Amerada Hess Corporation and with Citicorp. He is a graduate of Georgetown University, with a degree in economics, and holds an M.B.A. from Tulane University.

CONTACT: George Fasel of Moody's, 212-553-4102

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#90227p5729 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - In a move reflecting its commitment to international expansion, U S WEST Marketing Resources Group named Alain Treille its new vice president of international operations.

Based in Brussels, Belgium, Treille will be responsible for expanding U S WEST Marketing Resources Group's directory publishing, software and direct marketing tools businesses in Europe. He will also identify and develop other business opportunities that help sellers sell and buyers buy, such as electronic directories. Treille will work with U S WEST International in expanding into the world market.

Treille comes to U S WEST Marketing Resources Group from ITT World Directories, where his last position was vice president and director of development and operations in Brussels until August 1989. He was managing director of ITT World Directories in the Netherlands, responsible for traditional and electronic directory publishing, as well as of ITT Publitec, the systems development and support arm for the World Directories business group worldwide. He joined ITT in Europe in 1972 and has extensive worldwide experience in directory and electronic publishing.

Treille is fluent in English and French, with a world command of Dutch, German and Spanish. He is a native of France and a naturalized U.S. citizen.

After earning his Bachelor of Sciences degree in Operations Research from Cornell University in 1966, he worked two years at Corning Glass in product development and process engineering.

Treille started his Masters of Business Administration at Cornell in 1968 and in 1969 gained a fellowship to study economics at the University of Louvain in Belgium. He completed his MBA in Finance and International Economics in 1970. Treille worked with McKinsey in New York for two years prior to accepting the position of product line manager, consumer services-Europe at ITT Europe.

"Alain will bring to U S WEST Marketing Resources Group extensive contacts in the directory business worldwide, plus an immense knowledge of business in the newly expanding European market," said Wally Griffin, president of U S WEST Marketing Resources Group.

U S WEST Marketing Resources Group, a wholly owned subsidiary of U S WEST Inc., is focused on providing the marketing information, tools and services to help bring buyers and sellers together. Through it subsidiaries, U S WEST Marketing Resources Group publishes nearly 50 million copies of 400 Yellow Pages directories in the United States, business information directories for an additional 500 communities, and ratings analysis, financial and office management software for use by advertisers, advertising agencies, broadcasters, networks, syndicators and media companies.

U S WEST Inc. is a $25 billion diversified communications company. Its major subsidiary, U S WEST Communications, serves the communications needs of nearly 10 million customers in 14 states of the Western United States.

CONTACT: Jon Lentz, 303-337-8207 or Lynette Wagner, 303-337-8228
both of U S West Marketing Resources Group

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#90227p5732 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEDFORD, MASS. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Raytheon Company's Missile Systems Division today announced that four of its AEGIS-configured Standard Missile-2 (SM-2) Block II missiles were flown successfully on July 27 and 31 at the Roosevelt Roads (Puerto Rico) Missile Range.

These flights were part of an at-sea firing program to qualify Raytheon as a producer of all three SM-2 configurations -- AEGIS, TARTAR and TERRIER. The four intercepts, representing a 100 percent success rate to date for Raytheon on the sea firing exercise, complete the company's qualification on the AEGIS-configuration.

The four SM-2 missiles were fired from the U.S.S. Monterey (CG-61) in conjunction with a Combat System Ship Qualification Trial. During flight tests, they engaged four different types of aerial targets. The flight scenarios tested the missile's capability over a wide range of environments, including long-range and close-in targets. Missile intercept occurred within prediction for two of the missiles, which had inert warheads in order to conserve targets. The other two firings were warhead destructs as planned.

Raytheon's TERRIER and TARTAR-configured SM-2 missiles are awaiting firing availability, which is anticipated by November 1990.

Raytheon's SM-2 missiles are built at the company's Missile Systems Division manufacturing facility in Bristol, Tenn. The missiles tested were among those built under the FY'86 SM-2 contract for qualification and low-rate production.

Raytheon Company (NYSE: RTN), headquartered in Lexington, Mass., is a diversified, international, technology-based company active in electronics aviation, appliances, industry and environmental services, and publishing.

CONTACT: Jonna Manes of Raytheon Company, 617-860-2412

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#90227p5738 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, Kan. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - COMCOA Inc. (NASDAQ: CCOA) today reported that revenues for its second quarter, a 12 week period ended July 15, 1990, increased 18 percent to $12,520,722 and resulted in net earnings of $907,500 or 18 cents per share. For the corresponding period in the prior year, revenues and net earnings were $10,591,352 and $599,864, respectively. The per share computations resulted in net earnings of 12 cents per share in the prior year.

Revenues for the first 24 weeks of the current fiscal year were $24,852,089 versus $20,527,997 for the like period in the preceding year. The current year-to-date net earnings were $2,157,993, or 43 cents per share. The net earnings in the prior year were $1,053,953, which is 21 cents per share.

COMCOA is a franchisee of Rent-A-Center of America Inc. and currently owns and operates 70 Rent-A-Center stores in Florida, Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi. The company plans to have a minimum of 75 stores in operation at the end of the fiscal year.

CONTACT: Gary L. Simmons of COMCOA Inc., 316-683-4411

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#90227p5739 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Hadson Corp. (NYSE: HAD) announced that it has reached agreement in principle with Logicon Inc. whereby Logicon will acquire its Ultrasystems Defense Inc. subsidiary.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed. As a result of the acquisition Ultrasystems Defense will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Logicon, which is a leader in providing advanced technology systems and services to support national security, civil and industrial needs.

Ultrasystems Defense, with headquarters in Irvine, Calif., and operating locations in Irvine, El Segundo and Sunnyvale, Calif., as well as Sierra Vista, Ariz., and Colorado Springs, Colo., is a professional services company specializing in systems engineering, software development and systems development and integration in support of command, control, communication and intelligence (C3I) needs. Ultrasystems Defense, which has annual revenues of approximately $27 million and 280 employees, was acquired by Hadson as a part of its Ultrasystems Inc. acquisition in April 1988.

Hadson Corp. is an independent producer and supplier of energy products as well as an electric power services firm. Hadson has operations in natural gas and gas liquids; the development, construction, operation and ownership of electric power generation facilities.

CONTACT: J. Michael Adcock of Hadson Corp., 405-235-9531

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#90227p5740 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today announced it is extending and enhancing incentives through Sept. 30 on new 1989-90 model vehicles covered in existing programs and those which expired Aug. 14.

The cash incentives, ranging from $500 to $2,500, depending on the model, are unchanged and cover all models except minivans and convertibles. However, on some models Chrysler is lowering the low interest rate financing it offers customers as an alternative to cash.

The enhanced low APR financing from Chrysler Credit of zero percent for 1-24 months, 4.8 percent for 25-48 months and 7.9 percent for 49-60 months applies to: Chrysler LeBaron coupe, New Yorker, Salon, Landau, Fifth Avenue and Imperial; Dodge Daytona and Dynasty, Jeep Cherokee and Wagoneer Ltd.

Rates of zero for 1-24 months or 2.9 for 1-24 months (depending on model), 7.9 for 25-48 months and 10.9 for 49-60 months are available on all other models.

Cash incentives by model are: $2,500--1989 Dodge Raider. $2,000--1989 Chrysler Conquest, 1989 LeBaron coupe, '89-90 Eagle Premier LTD, '89-90 Dodge Ramcharger, '89 Dakota (except S-model) and '89-90 Ram D/W series pickups (except diesel and club cab).

$1,500--'89-90 Eagle Premier ES and '89 Summit, '90 Dodge Monaco ES, '89 Dodge and Plymouth Colt and Vista, '89 Jeep Comanche (except 2WD short bed), 1990 Dakota (except S-model and Club Cab), '90 Dodge D/W series club

cab and Ram Van conversion units.

$1,000--Chrysler 1990 LeBaron coupe; '90 Imperial; '89 New Yorker, '90 Salon, '89-90 Landau and '90 Fifth Avenue; '89-90 Dodge Dynasty, '90 Monaco LE, '89-90 Daytona ES Turbo and Shelby, '89-90 Ram D/W series diesel pickup, '89-90 Dakota S-model and '90 Club Cab, '89-90 Ram Van and Wagon, '89 Ram 50 4WD; '90 Dodge and Plymouth Colt (except base 3-door and station wagon); '89-90 Eagle Premier LX, '90 Summit; all Jeep '90 Comanche models and '89 Comanche 2WD short bed, '89-90 Cherokee, Wagoneer and Grand Wagoneer.

$750--'90 Chrysler LeBaron sedan; '89-90 Plymouth Acclaim, Sundance, Horizon and '90 Laser; '89-90 Dodge Spirit, Shadow, Omni, Daytona base and ES model; '90 Plymouth and Dodge Colt base 3-door and station wagon and '90 Vista; '89 Dodge Ram 50 2WD; '90 Eagle Talon.

$500--'89-90 Jeep Wrangler.

CONTACT: Tom Jakobowski of Chrysler, 313-956-1881

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#90227p5741 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of First Bank System, Inc. (NYSE: FBS) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 20.5 cents per share of common stock, payable Sept. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Aug. 29, 1990.

At this dividend rate, the annual dividend is equivalent to 82 cents per share. There are approximately 76.0 million shares of common stock outstanding at this date.

The directors also declared dividends on three series of the company's preferred stock. The dividends for each series are payable Sept. 28 to shareholders of record at the close of business Sept. 10, as follows:

	Dividend Per Share of Preferred Stock
Series 1983A	$1.625
Series 1989A	$0.65625
Series 1989B	$1.11875

CONTACT: Chris Mahai, 612-370-5440 or Thomas Rice, 612-370-3596, both of First Bank System

-30- 1192

#90227p5742 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Carlow President Dr. Grace Ann Geibel, RSM, today announced that she has appointed James V. Enrietti to the newly created position of vice president of enrollment management.

His appointment, effective Sept. 1, is the culmination of an 18-month search by Carlow that will consolidate the admission, student recruitment and financial aid functions of the college. It is part of a comprehensive restructuring by Geibel that has resulted since 1989 in major changes in Carlow's academic divisions, student life areas, scholarship and financial aid offerings, and continuing education programming.

Before coming to Carlow, Enrietti was executive director of enrollment services at Thiel College in Greenville, Pa., where he was responsible for all aspects of the admission process. Prior to joining Thiel in 1983, he was program director for adult recruitment at Suomi College, and director of special education and a teacher for Barago area schools in Barago, Mich.

In his new post, Enrietti will be responsible for the overall planning, organization and direction of enrollment services at Carlow, including direct supervision of all aspects of admissions, financial aid and the recruitment of traditional-aged, adult, transfer , international and graduate students to the college. He also will oversee the admission and recruitment of students to Carlow's Continuing Education Division -- Weekend College, Hill College and the Carlow Accelerated Program. As vice president, Enrietti also will serve as one of seven members of Carlow's newly formed Administrative Team, the senior management of the college, and will report directly to the president.

In making the announcement, Geibel said that this new appointment enables Carlow to position itself for the 1990s and for continued growth in all areas of enrollment. "This consolidation also allows Carlow to optimize its admission and financial aid services to the benefit of our students."

A native of Michigan, Enrietti holds master's and bachelor's degrees in education from Northern Michigan University. He is a member of both the National and Pennsylvania associations of College Admission Counselors, and the National Association for Foreign Student Affairs.

CONTACT: Mary Beth Aiello of Carlow College, 412-578-6091

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#90227p5743 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Green Tree Acceptance, Inc. has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 15 cents per share payable September 30 to shareholders of record Sept. 15, 1990.

As of June 30, Green Tree had 11,579,735 common shares outstanding. Green

Tree Acceptance purchases, pools, sells and services conditional sales contracts for manufactured homes and home improvements through 42 regional offices nationwide. Green Tree's common stock is traded on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol "GNT".

CONTACT: John W. Brink of Green Tree, 612-293-3400; or John Mackay of Padilla Speer Beardsley, 612-871-8877, or in New York, 212-752-8338, for Green Tree Acceptance

-30- 893

#90227p5745 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas Corp. (NYSE: MD) has chosen Unigraphics as its standard mechanical computer-aided design, manufacturing and engineering system.

Unigraphics is marketed by the Manufacturing and Engineering Systems Division of McDonnell Douglas Systems Integration Co., the corporation's commercial computer systems division.

In making the announcement, McDonnell Douglas President Gerald A. Johnston said the corporation intends to use Unigraphics as the software foundation for creating a seamless line of communication among its design, engineering and manufacturing operations.

"Our transition to this advanced computing environment will allow faster progress toward collaborative, concurrent design processes, shorter product time-to-market cycles, higher product quality and more timely customer support," Johnston said.

Unigraphics will become the cornerstone of an integrated computer-aided design, manufacturing and logistics (CAD/CAM/CALS) system that conforms with the Department of Defense's CALS initiative.

This initiative calls for computer-to-computer data exchange and the functional integration of engineering, manufacturing, support and logistics - largely through access to a common database.

According to Jim Longshore, McDonnell Douglas vice president and CAD/CAM/CALS program manager, Unigraphics was chosen because it is already widely used by McDonnell Douglas and other aerospace companies and because Unigraphics outperformed comparable systems in extensive benchmark tests.

"We consider Unigraphics, with its comprehensive manufacturing and engineering software modules and availability on different types of workstations, to be the best in its class," Longshore said.

Already, some 1,100 Unigraphics systems are in use at McDonnell Douglas.

Longshore expects this number to grow considerably over the next few years.

John J. Mazzola, vice president and general manager of McDonnell Douglas Systems Integration's Manufacturing and Engineering Systems Division, said he was extremely pleased with McDonnell Douglas' decision to adopt Unigraphics as a standard.

"The continued recognition of Unigraphics as a technology standard is beneficial to McDonnell Douglas as well as to its customers, partners and suppliers," he said. "This decision will accelerate access to major CAD/CAM benefits - such as reduced project time span - to our entire client database."

CONTACT: Barbara Anderson of McDonnell Douglas Corp., (314) 233-2865.

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#90227p5746 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Golden Oil Company (NASDAQ: GOCO) today reported operating results for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

GOLDEN OIL COMPANY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$485,542	$174,564	$1,022,046	$324,834
Net earnings (loss)	(186,627)	(143,305)	(297,071)	(331,348)
Per Share Results:				
Net earnings (loss)	($.02)	($.06)	($.04)	($.14)
Wtd. avg. no. of common shares outstdg.	7,172,738	2,406,164	7,148,149	2,402,285

CONTACT: Stephen C. Miller of Golden Oil, (713) 622-8492, or Clement J. Wyle, (212) 838-6716, for Golden Oil.

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#90227p5749 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALHOUN, GA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Carriage Industries Inc. (NYSE: CGE), a leading carpet manufacturer for specialized markets, today reported record net earnings of $1,820,000, or $.44 per share, for the fourth quarter ended July 1, up from $47,000, or $.01 per share, last year.

Quarterly sales of $34.3 million were also a record, up from $28.9 million in the prior year.

For the year, net earnings increased to $2,056,000, or $.44 per share, up from $1,617,000, or $.33 per share, in the prior year. Net sales for the

year were a record $117.2 million, up from $102.9 million in the prior period.

Carriage Industries is a vertically integrated manufacturer of carpet supplying specialized markets. The company is a leader in the manufactured housing, recreational vehicle, small boat and exposition/trade show industries. Carriage also produces carpet for the contract/residential, hospitality/commercial and home center/needlebond markets and operates a metal fabricating company.

Corporate offices are in Calhoun, Ga. Sales offices and distribution centers are strategically located across the United States. The company's transportation subsidiary, Carriage Transport, operates one of the largest trucking fleets in the carpet industry.

CARRIAGE INDUSTRIES INC.
(In thousands, except per share data)

4th qtr. ended	7/1/90	7/2/89
	(unaudited)	
Net sales	$ 34,320	$ 28,851
Cost of sales	24,264	22,914
Gross profit	10,056	5,937
Selling, general and administrative expenses	6,236	5,312
Operating income	3,820	625
Other expense (income)		
Interest expense	787	638
Other, net	60	(112)
Total other expense	847	526
Earnings before income taxes	2,973	99
Income taxes	1,153	52
Net earnings	$ 1,820	$ 47
Earnings per common share	$.44	$.01
Weighted average number of common shrs. outstanding	4,100	4,984

Fiscal year ended	7/1/90	7/2/89
	(unaudited)	
Net sales	$117,182	$102,895
Cost of sales	89,642	80,206
Gross profit	27,540	22,689
Selling, general and administrative expenses	20,789	18,473
Operating income	6,751	4,216
Other expense (income)		
Interest expense	2,680	1,720
Other, net	655	(264)
Total other expense	3,335	1,456

Earnings before income taxes	3,416	2,760
Income taxes	1,360	1,143
Net earnings	$ 2,056	$ 1,617
Earnings per common share	$.44	$.33
Weighted average number of common shrs. outstanding	4,687	4,970

CONTACT: Clarence E. Harris, chairman and CEO, or Steven G. Jones, vice president-finance, 404-629-9234, both of Carriage Industries

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SCARBOROUGH, MAINE (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Hannaford Bros. (NYSE: HRD), Northern New England's largest food retailer, has declared a regular quarterly dividend on the common stock of 11 cents per share, payable Sept. 27, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Charles H. Crockett of Hannaford Bros., 207-883-2911

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#90227p5757 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALINE, MI (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Philips Display Components Company (PDCC) of Ann Arbor, Mich., today, in a ceremony attended by Gov. James J. Blanchard, U.S. Sen. Carl Levin and other federal, state and local officials, began construction of its new state-of-the-art, color television picture tube plant.

Cost of the new plant will exceed $100 million and is expected to create approximately 400 new jobs in the area. Construction is expected to be completed in early 1992 and will exceed 320,000 square feet.

The new facility will initially manufacture one million 27-inch color television picture tubes and will be designed with the ability to produce high-definition picture tubes in the future.

During the ceremony, Dr. Iva Wilson, PDCC president, said the decision to build the new plant is just another example of the company's commitment to grow in and contribute to the resurgence of the consumer electronic industry in America and, more specifically, in Michigan.

"In order for Philips to operate a successful business in the highly competitive and globally oriented consumer electronic industry, we must continue to position ourselves to take advantage of opportunities," Wilson said. "The United States is the largest market for our products, and it is for this reason we choose to grow and expand here, where people who

purchase our product benefit from our success through the creation of jobs.

Wilson went on to say that Michigan was chosen for its excellent skilled workforce, the superior technological resources available in the Ann Arbor/Saline area and the positive reinforcement the company has received from all units of government.

Philips Display Components Company is a division of North American Philips Corporation. North American Philips Corporation is one of the nation's 100 largest manufacturers with more then 50,000 American employees. With its Philips, Magnavox, Philco and Sylvania audio-video brands, North American Philips is the second largest color television producer in the United States.

CONTACT: Cordell Barker of Philips Display Components Company, (313) 996-9400.

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#90227p5758 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - FirstFed Michigan Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: FFOM) announced today that it is commencing a stock repurchase program to acquire up to 750,000 shares, or approximately 7 percent, of the corporation's outstanding common stock. The program is expected to be completed within 12 months, subject to market conditions.

In making this announcement, C. Gene Harling, chairman of the board, stated, "In view of the current market value of our common stock, combined with the corporation's financial condition, we consider the stock to be an attractive investment."

According to Harling, the repurchases generally would be effected from time to time at the discretion of management through open market purchases although he did not rule out the possibility of unsolicited negotiated transactions or other types of repurchases. Any repurchased stock will become authorized but unissued shares and will be used for general corporate purposes.

On July 25, FirstFed announced that net earnings for the first six months of 1990 totaled $12.1 million, up 24 percent from $9.8 million for the first six months of 1989.

FirstFed Michigan Corporation is the holding company of First Federal of Michigan, a Detroit-based savings and loan association. First Federal has 74 offices throughout the Lower Peninsula of Michigan. Its Bay Savings Bank subsidiary, based in Newport News, Va., operates nine offices in Virginia, and its Omni Savings Bank subsidiary has four offices in Columbia, S.C.

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#90227p5759 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FLA. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Major Realty Corporation (NASDAQ: MAJR) Tuesday reported revenues of $987,000 and a net loss of $2,845,000, or ($0.41) per share for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the comparable period of last year were $6,298,000 and net income of $2,680,000, or $0.37 per share.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported revenues of $564,000 and a net loss of $1,549,000 or ($0.22) per share as compared to revenues of $3,207,000 and a net loss of $1,904,000 or ($0.26) per share for the comparable period of the prior year.

The company reported gains on real estate sales of $2.5 million and a net gain from real estate sales by The Major-Pru Development Joint Venture of $4.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 1989. No similar real estate transactions were reported for the six months ended June 30, 1990. The losses incurred during the six months ended June 30, 1990, primarily represented anticipated startup costs following the merger of the company on Oct. 12, 1989, and the installation of new management.

James M. Adams III, chairman and chief executive officer, announced that the company has reached an agreement in principle to engage Eastdil Realty Inc. and Wertheim Schroder & Co., Incorporated, two prestigious New York investment banking firms specializing in real estate and international finance, to assist the company in accomplishing certain financial objectives required to maximize value of the company's assets for its shareholders.

Major Realty owns 598 acres of land in the Orlando area which includes 270 acres located next to Universal Studios Theme Park in Orlando, which opened in June of 1990. In addition, the company owns 10 acres located on the waterfront in downtown Tampa, across from Harbour Island, an upscale mixed-use development.

MAJOR REALTY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated statements of operations
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share data)

Period	Six months		Three months	
ended	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
REVENUES:				
Sales of real estate	$ ---	$ 4,250	$ ---	$ 2,150
Lease income	716	1,852	381	956

Interest income	274	113	176	41
Other income	(3)	83	7	60
Total revenues	987	6,298	564	3,207
COSTS AND EXPENSES:				
Cost of real estate sold:				
Improved and unimproved land	---	1,672	---	1,491
Commissions & other exp.	---	43	---	21
Selling, general and admin.	2,253	3,624	1,420	2,060
Depreciation	231	733	110	394
Interest cost	1,854	1,568	1,282	786
Interest capitalized	(872)	---	(872)	---
Total costs and expenses	3,466	7,640	1,940	4,752
PROFIT REALIZED ON LAND CONTRIBUTION TO REAL ESTATE VENTURES	---	5,830	---	---
SHARE IN LOSSES OF REAL ESTATE VENTURES	(366)	(1,806)	(173)	(390)
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	(2,845)	2,682	(1,549)	(1,935)
PROVISION (CREDIT) FOR INCOME TAXES	---	2	---	(31)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	($2,845)	$2,680	($1,549)	($1,904)
EARNINGS (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE	($0.41)	$0.37	($0.22)	($0.26)
WEIGHTED AVG. NO. OF SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,893	7,334	6,893	7,335

CONTACT: Ann Hawker of Major Realty, 313-540-9040

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#90227p5763 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, CALIF. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Summit Health Ltd. (NASDAQ: SUMH) today announced the following organizational changes within the Hospital Group.

Glenn Sperry has been appointed chief executive officer of Health Choice Arizona. With over 20 years of HMO experience, Sperry will oversee the development of Summit's initial penetration into the AHCCCS capitated market for Pima and Maricopa Counties, Ariz.

As a result of this new business entry and Summit senior management's shift to increase regional responsibility, Mark Werber, in addition to this responsibility for our three Arizona hospitals, now has expanded authority that includes Health Choice Arizona and Davenport Medical Center Davenport, Iowa.

With Werber among assuming the full-time position of regional vice

president, we are pleased to announce the appointment of Jeffrey Ashin as the executive director of Mesa General Hospital Medical Center, Mesa, Ariz., effective Sept. 4, 1990. Ashin previously served as executive director at Midway Hospital Medical Center in Los Angeles.

Summit Health Ltd. is an investor-owned health care company, which operates 12 hospitals, with a total of 1,648 licensed beds, 17 long-term care centers and four retirement centers with a total of 2,699 licensed beds. Summit's 33 facilities are located in California, Arizona, Texas and Iowa. Its network of services includes: hospitals, long-term care centers, retirement centers, alcohol and drug rehabilitation, hemodialysis urgent care and the rental of medical office buildings.

CONTACT: Donald J. Amaral, president and COO of Summit Health Ltd., 818-841-8750

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#90227p5764 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced today that very low levels of octachlorodibenzo-dioxin were found in residential soil samples near the defunct Caldwell Systems Inc. (CSI) hazardous waste treatment facility in Lenoir, N.C.

"The levels found do not present a human health threat and residents should not curtail activities on their property as a result of these findings," said Greer C. Tidwell, EPA regional administrator. "EPA plans further sampling to determine the nature and extent of dioxin contamination," Tidwell added.

Dioxin exists in numerous forms. The samples, taken in May of this year, showed traces of octachlorodibenzo-dioxin - a less toxic variety of dioxin - below EPA's level of concern, the level that EPA views as a threat to human health. Levels detected are, at maximum, two percent of EPA's concern level.

The most toxic form of the chemical (2,3,7,8 tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin) was not found in any samples. No dioxin in any form was found in water samples. No other hazardous substances were detected in residential soil samples at a level of concern.

Analysis of the samples collected from residential wells did not detect levels of any contaminants that would prevent continued use of those wells for drinking water purposes. Analysis of surface water samples did not detect any contaminants at a level of concern.

The sampling results will be discussed tonight at a public meeting in Lenoir at the West Caldwell County High School. EPA officials and

officials of the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) will explain the sampling results and answer questions. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Officials from EPA and ATSDR will be available for questions from the news media immediately following the public meeting. Suzanne Durham, EPA's community relations coordinator, said EPA and ATSDR officials also will be available on Thursday, Aug. 16, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Hudson Town Hall Council Room, 550 Central St., Hudson, N.C., to assist in addressing individual concerns.

CSI operated an incinerator and handled waste solvents, sludges, furniture industry wastes, U.S. Navy Otto (torpedo) fuel, EPA Superfund wastes, and other materials as well as its own waste. The facility's incineration operations ceased on May 31, 1988, and all other operations stopped during December 1989.

CONTACT: Carl Terry of the EPA, (404) 347-3004.

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#90227p5766 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific-Atlanta, Inc. (NYSE: SFA) today reported results for the fiscal year ended June 29, 1990.

Record earnings per share of $1.90 were up 24 percent from $1.53 in 1989. Net earnings of $44.3 million increased by 22 percent for the second year in a row and compared to earnings of $36.3 million in 1989. Strong growth in sales of cable television equipment, better margins, and lower effective income tax rates were the principal factors in the strong earnings performance.

Sales of $614.3 million for fiscal 1990, up 12 percent, compared to sales of $546.8 million in the prior fiscal year. New orders booked totaled $591.9 million with backlog at fiscal year end of $198.4 million.

Record fourth quarter sales of $161.1 million were 2 percent ahead of the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Fourth quarter earnings of $13.3 million were 24 percent ahead of the prior year. Earnings per share of 57 cents were up 24 percent from the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. New orders of $161.3 million were up 6 percent from the same quarter a year ago.

Sales in the company's Broadband Communications Group were at an all-time high in fiscal 1990 because of the success of new products and good levels of cable construction activity.

Fiscal 1990 was a year of unprecedented success in the subscriber equipment business. Sales of new addressable set-top terminals set

records. The next generation of addressable subscriber equipment--interdiction--was introduced, and several key commitments were obtained. Interdiction is a unique technology that allows cable operators to addressably control the delivery of programming to the subscriber without the need for electronic devices in the subscriber's home. Interdiction was tested by Warner Communications in Williamsburg, Virginia during the year; and following Warner's announcement of the test's success, commitments were made by Jones Intercable and Tele-Communications Inc. (TCI), the nation's largest cable operator. Jones will carry out the first full system deployment in Elgin, Ill., starting in fiscal 1991, and TCI has selected a single-dwelling version of the technology to be deployed when available during fiscal 1991.

Scientific-Atlanta, Inc., is a leader in cable television equipment and satellite-based communications networks, and is a key supplier of electronic instruments and systems for industrial, telecommunications and government applications.

CONTACT: Robert S. Meyers of Scientific-Atlanta, 404-441-4608.

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#90227p5767 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Cirrus System Inc. yesterday approved the membership applications made by 87 financial institutions including Bank of America, Security Pacific Bank, Wells Fargo Bank, Barnett Banks of Florida and Chase Manhattan Bank.

As a result, on Aug. 20 these institutions will be able to display the Cirrus and MasterCard logos on their ATMs and accept transactions from 275 million MasterCard and Cirrus cardholders from around the world.

All of the institutions approved are also members of Plus. In order to provide consumers with greater convenience, earlier this year Cirrus and Plus eliminated rules preventing members of one network from joining the other as ATM-acquiring only members.

Participating in the two competing international networks by displaying both logos on ATMs is referred to as terminal duality in the banking industry. Thus, when a financial institution displays dual logos (Cirrus and Plus) on the same ATM, cardholders of either network can use that machine.

Outside the U.S., duality between the two networks already exists in Mexico and has been approved by Cirrus for Venezuela, Spain, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Singapore, and Thailand.

The institutions approved for Cirrus acquirer-only membership will add

more than 13,000 ATMs in 39 states and Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands to the Cirrus network almost immediately.

Twenty one of the 87 new members approved by the board are Principal members, meaning they can link directly to Cirrus and sponsor other financial institutions as Correspondent members. The total number of Plus members expected to join the Cirrus network by the end of 1990 is over 200.

Noting that cardholders already turn to Cirrus for cash nearly nine million times a month, John O. Smith, president of Cirrus, said, "The key aspect of ATM duality is that it offers significant additional convenience to Cirrus cardholders. Over the next year, the number of U.S. ATMs available to our cardholders is expected to almost double."

He added, "The addition of Bank of America, Security Pacific and Wells Fargo really strengthens our position in California - nearly tripling our number of locations. California is a popular travel destination in the United States, and it's probably the hottest ATM market in the country. Of equal or, perhaps, greater importance is that duality will give our cardholders access to cash in virtually every gateway and hub airport in the U.S."

Smith also noted, "Every one of these new members wants to begin accepting transactions just as soon as they can get our logos on their ATMs. It's not surprising they're so eager to start. We offer an exceptional opportunity.

"By participating in Cirrus they automatically become MasterCard ATM acquirers as well, so they can accept transactions from a total of 275 million cardholders - nearly twice the number of cardholders they get from Plus. In the ATM business, more cards mean more transactions, and increased transaction volume generates incremental income and reduces per transaction operating expenses."

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#90227p5768 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI, (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Provident Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: PRBK) ("Provident"), a $2 billion bank holding company located in Cincinnati, Ohio, and Suburban Federal Savings Bank of Cincinnati ("Suburban"), a $180 million savings bank located in Cincinnati, Ohio, jointly announced today that a letter of intent has been executed to enter into a merger conversion transaction whereby Suburban will adopt a plan of conversion and acquisition which will result in it becoming a wholly owned subsidiary of Provident. In conjunction with the transaction, Suburban depositors will be offered the opportunity to subscribe for stock of Provident in a subscription offering. The transaction is subject to

execution of a definitive agreement, Suburban member approval and receipt of necessary regulatory approvals.

The principal subsidiary of Provident is The Provident Bank, an Ohio banking corporation with 33 offices -- 30 in the greater Cincinnati area and 2 in Cleveland and 1 in Columbus, Ohio. Suburban operates 8 offices in the greater Cincinnati area.

Allen L. Davis, president of Provident, stated, "We are excited about the prospect of working with Suburban and believe the acquisition will allow Provident to offer expanded opportunities for their employees as well as expanded services and convenience to customers."

Donald F. Buechner, president of Suburban, stated that "The future for savings and loans was dramatically altered by federal legislation passed in August 1989. Our ability to maintain levels of profitability required to remain competitive was severely restricted by that legislation.

"Suburban is a highly rated, well managed and very strongly capitalized company. New opportunities and services will now be provided to our customers by becoming part of a locally owned and operated bank.

"Our employees, management and directors will continue to participate in the excellent future which is being provided by this affiliation to offer complete banking financial services."

CONTACT: Mark Magee, general counsel for Provident Bancorp, Inc., 513-579-2861; or Donald F. Buechner, president and managing officer of Suburban Federal Savings Bank of Cincinnati, 513-489-4888

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COUDERSPORT, PA. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - John J. Rigas, president and CEO of Adelphia Communications Corp. ("Adelphia") (NASDAQ: ADLAC), reported the results of operations for the first quarter which ended on June 30, 1990.

First quarter results saw record levels of combined revenues and other income which amounted to $64.4 million, and cash flow from operating and other income which amounted to $39.6 million. Adelphia owned or managed for affiliates, cable television systems serving approximately 1,017,000 subscribers at June 30, 1990. Adelphia and its subsidiaries served at June 30, 1990, approximately 741,000 subscribers in its wholly owned cable television systems and 241,000 subscribers in its joint venture cable television systems.

Combined revenues and other income for the first quarter was up 12.1

percent, compared with the same period in the prior year; and cash flow was up 24.5 percent, compared with the same period in the prior year.

Combined revenues and other income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, totaled $64.4 million, compared with $57.5 million for the same period in the prior year. Cash flow for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, totaled $39.6 million, compared with $31.8 million for the same period in the prior year. Net loss for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, totaled $33.8 million, or $2.45 per share, compared with a net loss of $36.2 million, or $2.62 per share, for the same period in the prior year.

The ratio of total long-term debt to annualized cash flow for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, was 8.68, compared with 9.29 for the same period in the prior year.

Adelphia also announced that on Aug. 6, 1990, a wholly owned subsidiary privately placed, with several insurance companies, $250,000,000 in 10.66 percent senior notes due through 1999. The proceeds of this private placement were used to repay $162,750,000 in term notes to banks with the remaining net cash proceeds in the amount of $87,250,000 available for both repayment of revolving bank debt, which may be reborrowed, and working capital.

The Class A common stock of Adelphia is traded under the NASDAQ symbol "ADLAC."

ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Selected Financial Data
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

Income Statement Data:

Period ended	Three Months	
June 30	1990	1989
Revenues(A)	$61,057	$57,456
Operating expenses:		
Direct operating and programming(B)	16,083	16,782
Selling, general and administrative(B)	8,731	8,879
Depreciation and amortization	19,176	32,203
Total	43,990	57,864
Operating income (loss)	17,067	(408)
Other income (expense):		
Priority investment income(A)	3,350	--
Interest expense - net	(39,801)	(35,864)
Equity in net loss of joint venture partnership	(14,434)	--
Other	--	43
Total	(50,885)	(35,821)

Net loss	(33,818)	(36,229)
Net loss per share	$(2.45)	$(2.62)

(A) Combined revenues and other income is comprised of the two items indicated with (A).

(B) Cash flow is comprised of combined revenues and other income less the two items indicated with a (B).

Balance Sheet Data:

June 30	1990	1989
Cash and cash equivalents	$10,400	$14,985
Long-term debt:		
Notes to banks and institutions	1,063,850	899,847
16.5 percent senior discount notes due 1999 - net	190,540	162,563
13 percent senior subordinated notes due 1997 - net	98,965	98,861
Other debt	21,093	20,606
Total long-term debt	1,374,448	1,181,877

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#90227p5773 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Florida Power & Light Company said it is seeking environmental regulators' approval to test a new fuel at its Sanford power plant that ultimately could replace much of the oil FPL now burns to produce electricity. If the tests prove successful, it could save utility customers billions of dollars over the next two decades and further reduce air pollution.

The new fuel, a mixture of water and a non-oil hydrocarbon known as bitumen, burns much like oil but is cheaper. The bitumen-water mixture, marketed under the trade name of Orimulsion, could be burned at several FPL power plants in the future.

Throughout the Sanford test period, government standards protecting ambient air quality will not be exceeded. However, FPL is asking environmental regulators for a temporary relaxation of the plant's current air emission limits to conduct the tests. Emission levels measured at the top of the stack may increase slightly at various times during testing.

If the company decides to convert the Sanford plant to burn the new fuel on a full-time basis, permanent environmental controls would be installed, further reducing the plant's already low emission of several important air

pollutants.

FPL's analysis shows replacing oil with Orimulsion at just two 400-megawatt plants could reduce fuel costs by more than $700 million over a 15-year period. Fuel savings from burning Orimulsion at several FPL generating units over the next 15-20 years could amount to several billion dollars.

FPL wants to begin the test at the Sanford plant's Unit 4 later this year and complete it by May 1991 if state and federal environmental regulators approve. The approval would be for an 18-month period in case the test schedule has to be revised. However, the current plan calls for a maximum of 120 days testing at full-power operation.

The tests would involve analysis of plant operating and environmental performance, including boiler temperatures, steam pressures, electricity output and stack emissions. The tests would include the installation and evaluation of several small-scale environmental control devices to determine which might work best in full-scale operation.

FPL is negotiating contracts with Bitor America Corp. for future supplies of the new fuel, which would come from known bitumen reserves in Venezuela. These reserves are the energy equivalent of approximately 64 billion metric tons of coal -- about half the known coal deposits in the United States. Because Orimulsion is a liquid, it can be transported to the Sanford plant in the same way as fuel has been delivered in the past, by river barge. No new roads or rail traffic will be necessary.

The use of alternate fuels and diversification of fuel have been pursuits of FPL during the last decade.

A public meeting on the Sanford test project is scheduled for 7 p.m., Sept. 6 at the De Bary Firehall No. 1792, 93 U.S. Highway 17/92 in De Bary.

CONTACT: Florida Power & Light Company corporate communications, department, 305-552-3894 or 305-552-3895

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#90227p5775 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - NDE Environmental Corporation (NASDAQ: NDEC) today reported results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Second quarter revenues of $727,490, a 59 percent increase over the 1989 quarter, produced a net loss of $285,600 or 12 cents per share, compared with revenues of $457,673 and a net loss of $47,054 or 3 cents per share in last year's second quarter.

Six-month revenues of $1,242,838, a 54 percent rise over the 1989 period, resulted in a loss of $298,956 or 13 cents per share compared with a loss of $215,387 or 12 cents per share on revenues of $804,931 in the comparable 1989 period.

John R. Mastandrea, president, noted that if the March 7, 1990, acquisition of Pan Am Environmental Services had occurred as of Jan. 1, 1989, pro forma results for the first six months of 1990 would have shown a net loss of $437,849 or 19 cents per share on net sales of $1,352,210. This compares with a loss of $1,285,168 or 71 cents per share on net sales of $854,338 in 1989's first six months.

"The most significant recent financial activity was the July 10, 1990, equity private placement of $5,500,000, which increased the company's total assets to approximately $8,700,000 from approximately $3,600,000 on June 30, 1990, and total stockholders' equity to about $7,400,000 from approximately $2 million on June 30, 1990," Mastandrea pointed out.

"This has given us the financial strength to fund the operations of our new national subsidiary, NDE Testing & Equipment Inc. (formerly Pan Am Environmental Services, Inc.) and to greatly increase NDE's fleet of vans using our patented VPLT underground fuel tank testing system," he pointed out.

"Expenses associated with the private placement and expanded marketing efforts of the subsidiary had a negative impact on second quarter results " Mastandrea explained.

NDE is primarily engaged in the business of testing underground storage tanks. The VPLT System was judged by the Environmental Protection Agency to be the only periodic leak detection system that meets EPA regulations for underfilled tank testing, and it was one of four systems to meet regulations for overfilled tank testing.

In addition to the VPLT System, NDE provides such other services as testing and leak pinpointing for pipelines, underwater hoses and spacecraft; impact testing on materials; and a variety of technical and consulting services.

NDE ENVIRONMENTAL CORPORATION
Comparative Highlights (Unaudited)

Period ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 727,490	$457,673	$1,242,838	$ 804,931
Net loss	$(285,600)	$(47,054)	$ (298,956)	$(215,387)
Net loss per share	$(.12)	$(.03)	$(.13)	$(.12)
Weighted average				

shares outstanding	2,394,315	1,622,360	2,354,015	1,809,150

Pro forma results as if March 7, 1990, acquisition of Pan Am Environmental Services had occurred as of Jan. 1, 1989.

Six months of June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,352,210	$ 854,338
Net loss	$ (437,849)	$(1,285,168)
Net loss per share	$(.19)	$(.71)
Wtd. avg. shares outstg.	2,354,015	1,809,150

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GLENVIEW, IL (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) will co-fund a key part of Zenith Electronics Corporation's (NYSE: ZE) research effort on high-definition displays for advanced military computer workstation applications.

Jerry K. Pearlman, Zenith chairman and president, said, "The DARPA announcement reaffirms our belief that we have real, world-leading high-definition display technology and research programs that will lead to lower-cost, larger-screen high-resolution color CRTs (cathode ray tubes)."

Zenith, the only remaining independent U.S. color picture tube and TV manufacturer, has launched a major research effort to develop new production processes for larger-screen versions of its unique "flat tension mask" (FTM) high-resolution color CRT.

The part of the program that DARPA plans to co-fund - the development of interchangeable shadow mask processes - represents a critical part of Zenith's multimillion-dollar high-definition display development effort, Pearlman said. Although the final amount is still subject to contract negotiations, he said Zenith expects the DARPA grant to exceed $1 million.

When coupled with other processes under development, the ability to use interchangeable shadow masks "will revolutionize the manufacture of high-resolution CRTs and offer world-competitive American high-definition display technology," Pearlman said.

The inherent properties of the FTM display (ruggedness, high-brightness, high-resolution, virtually glare-free) make it "ideal for an array of military applications," Zenith said in its proposal to DARPA.

"These include not only Command and Control displays and other military applications, but also any workstation requiring a highly ergonomic

dual-page high-resolution display," the proposal stated.

Zenith's FTM is the only high-resolution color CRT that is designed and mass-produced in the United States. All competing high-resolution CRT technologies are manufactured in Far East.

Pearlman called the high-definition display industry "one of the next big high-technology battlegrounds" between the United States and other countries. "For at least the next 30 years, high-definition color CRTs will be the predominant high-resolution display technology for computer workstations and other applications. And, with U.S. advances such as the FTM, it's not too late for the U.S. to win."

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SOUTHFIELD, MI. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - D.O.C. Optics Corporation (OTC: DOCO) of Southfield announced earnings today for the second quarter and first six months ended June 30, 1990.

D.O.C. OPTICS CORPORATION
(Unaudited; $000)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Systemwide sales	$14,467	$13,004	$28,440	$25,549
Revenues	11,491	11,093	22,884	21,960
Net income	$52	$331	$340	$900
Earnings per share	$0.02	$0.15	$0.15	$0.39

Systemwide sales increased $1,463,000, or 11.3 percent while revenues rose $398,000, or 3.6 percent. These increases resulted even though 10 fewer stores were in operation at the end of the second quarter this year. Company-owned comparable store sales for the quarter improved 6.5 percent over the previous year.

Net income for the quarter was down $279,000 due primarily to continued pressure on product margins. Increased promotional discounts to meet market competition and initial higher costs on new contact lens products contributed to the lower gross margin for the quarter.

Cost containment continued to be a priority during the second quarter as selling, general and administrative expenses increased 0.6 percent over last year.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Grant-Norpac, Inc. announced today that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to an initial public offering of 4,000,000 shares of common stock. All of the shares of common stock will be sold by the company. Salomon Brothers Inc and Howard, Weil, Labouisse, Friedrichs Incorporated will be co-managers of the underwriting group.

Grant-Norpac, Inc. is an international geophysical services company engaged in the generation, collection, computer processing and marketing of seismic data. The company believes it is currently the fifth largest land geophysical services company in the world. The net proceeds from the proposed offering will be used to reduce indebtedness, to purchase geophysical and data processing equipment and for general corporate purposes.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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#90227p5787 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Contel Corp. (NYSE: CTC) today announced that T. Christopher Holdorf has been named vice president - Taxes.

Holdorf will be responsible for the planning and administration of all taxes for Contel and its subsidiaries. He also will continue to perform his duties as director - Federal Taxes.

Holdorf has served as director - Federal Taxes for Contel since January 1987. Prior to joining Contel, he was a tax manager at Arthur Andersen & Co. in Atlanta. Holdorf earned a bachelor's and a master's degree in accounting from the University of Georgia. He is a certified public accountant in Georgia.

Contel, a company with $3 billion in annual revenues and sales, provides a broad range of telecommunications products and services.

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-30- 980

#90227p5794 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust (NASDAQ: CMETS) today announced operating results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the trust recorded a net loss of $396,000, or 11 cents per share, on revenues of $3.9 million, compared with net income of $744,000, or 19 cents per share, on revenues of $3.9 million in the second quarter of the prior year.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the trust recorded a net loss of $703,000, or 19 cents per share, on revenues of $7.6 million, compared with net income of $19,000 on revenues of $7.9 million in the first half of 1989.

Net rental income increased $300,000, to $1.7 million, in the first half of 1990, compared with $1.4 million recorded in 1989's first six months. Sale of four foreclosed properties (which had previously reduced net rental income), increased occupancy rates and lower management and administrative expenses were the primary factors in the increase. General and administrative expenses increased in part because of professional fees related to a class action settlement.

The trusts' equity in results of operations of partnerships for the quarter of 1990 was a loss of $400,000, compared with income of $600,000 for the same period in 1989 due to a $.7 million gain recognized during the second quarter of 1989 on the sale of partnership properties.

Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

CONTINENTAL MORTGAGE AND EQUITY TRUST
Financial Highlights
(in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	Three months ended June 30,		Six months ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$ 3,887	$ 3,905	$ 7,599	$ 7,929
Net Income (Loss)	$ (396)	$ 744	$ (703)	$ 19
Per Share	$ (0.11)	$ 0.19	$ (0.19)	$ 0.00
Weighted Average Shares				

Outstanding	3,672,834	3,828,545	3,700,256	3,828,545

CONTACT: Jeff Bishop of Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust, 214-692-4700.

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#90227p5796 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - American Stores Company (NYSE: ASC) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Skaggs Alpha Beta, has agreed to sell its Buttrey Food and Drug Division to an investment group led by the management of Buttrey and Freeman Spogli & Co., a Los Angeles-based merchant banking firm. American anticipates that the transaction will close within the next 60 days.

American will receive an aggregate of $184 million from the proceeds of the sale and related agreements, $180 million of which will be cash proceeds and $4 million of which will be in the form of lease assumptions. American will retain existing debt obligations related to the Buttrey Division in the approximate amount of $36 million for mortgages and trade payables.

The Buttrey Food and Drug Division is headquartered in Great Falls, Mont., and operates 44 food and combination food/drug stores in six states with annual sales of $476 million. It is anticipated that the buyer will continue to operate the division under the Buttrey name.

Freeman Spogli & Co. has been exclusively devoted to organizing and investing in management buyouts since 1983, and has arranged 14 management-led acquisitions with aggregate transaction values in excess of $2.4 billion.

American Stores Company is headquartered in Salt Lake City. Following the sale of the Buttrey Division, it will operate 1,857 food and drug stores in 37 states.

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-30- 1746

#90227p5800 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Samna Corporation (NASDAQ: SMNA) today announced that it has entered into an agreement with a number of unaffiliated investors in the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom under which the investors will purchase 585,000 newly issued shares of Samna common stock for gross proceeds of $6,288,750, before expenses and brokers' fees.

The closing of the private placement transaction, which was arranged through Interstate/Johnson Lane Corporation and Mabon Nugent & Co., is scheduled to occur on Aug. 21, 1990.

In connection with the private placement, Samna has agreed to use its best efforts to file a restriction statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission to cover possible resales by the investors from time to time in open market of privately negotiated transactions.

Said Mohammadioun, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of Samna Corporation, said that Samna will use the net proceeds of the private placement primarily to product marketing and sales promotion activities over the next 18 months, including expenditures for advertising distributor and resale or sales incentives, product demonstrations and trade shows. In addition, he said, Samna will use a portion of the net proceeds to repay approximately $800,000 or bank indebtedness under long-term notes.

Mohammadioun added, "The proceeds of these transactions will enable us to increase our advertising and marketing efforts significantly and to devote substantial resources in promoting our Ami and Ami Professional Windows-based products."

Samna Corporation designs, markets and supports computer software, primarily for wordprocessing applications. The company is focusing on wordprocessing software products for the growing graphical user interface segment of the personal computer software market. Samna's Ami and Ami Professional products operate under the Microsoft Windows environment and are aimed at both traditional wordprocessing desktop publishing users.

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#90227p5801 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Banner Aerospace, Inc. today reported strong sales and earnings gains for its fiscal first quarter ended June 30 1990. This is the first report of quarterly results since the sale by Banner Industries, Inc. (NYSE: BNR) of 53 percent of the common shares of Banner Aerospace in an initial public offering announced in July, 1990.

Net income for the quarter of the Cleveland-based supplier to the aviation aftermarket amounted to $5,766,000, or 32 cents per share, up 76 percent over the pro forma results of $3,276,000, or 18 cents per share, earned a year ago.

Samuel J. Krasney, chairman and chief executive officer, said that the earnings gains reflected profits from increased sales and improved operating margins. He noted that current fiscal year first quarter operating income of $11,613,000 was 56 percent above last year's comparable pro forma quarter.

Current year first quarter sales were $66,274,000, an increase of 40 percent over the $47,325,000 of the comparable period a year earlier.

Krasney said that the sales increase reflected both strong internal growth and increased sales due to the acquisition of two companies in fiscal 1990. Results for the first quarter of the current year included the operations of Austin Jet Corporation, purchased in July, 1989, and Dallas Aerospace, Inc., acquired in September, 1989. Krasney said that demand for the company's products and services continued strong in both domestic and international markets, with international sales amounting to 39 percent of first quarter sales.

Banner Aerospace is a leading distributor of a broad range of new and overhauled replacement parts in the aviation aftermarket. The company's products include fasteners, avionics, electrical items, airframe parts and bearings. The company also processes and sells insulated electrical wire and markets new and refurbished helicopters and refurbished corporate airplanes. Its customers include most the world's commercial airlines as well as air cargo carriers, original equipment manufacturers, distributors aircraft overhaul facilities and corporate aircraft operators.

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#90227p5802 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, CONN. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - First Connecticut Small Business Investment Company, a federally licensed SBIC, said it has filed for Chapter 11 protection under the Federal Bankruptcy Code. The company listed in the petition it filed assets of approximately $70 million and liabilities of approximately $60 million.

The company said the filing was made necessary by liquidity problems caused by a sharp downturn in the business climate in its market area. These problems were accelerated when the Small Business Administration asked for payment by Aug. 24, 1990 of three subordinated debentures totalling $5.5 million and when requests were made for payment by many loan participants having the right to put their loan participations to First Connecticut on short notice, the company said. The company has some $30 million of such participations.

The petition for Chapter 11 protection was filed in the United States

Bankruptcy Court for the District of Connecticut in Bridgeport.

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#90227p5805 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CONN. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald R. Frahm, chairman and president of ITT Hartford Insurance Group, today responded to New Jersey Governor James Florio's announcement of Insurance Commissioner's Samuel Fortunato's decison that if Twin City Fire Insurance Company, a subsidiary of ITT Hartford, pulls out of the car insurance market in the state of New Jersey, the state will force ITT Hartford Insurance Group to give up the rest of its business in New Jersey.

Frahm stated that ITT Hartford is serving, and plans to continue to serve directly, or through its agents, the citizens of New Jersey in several different life and property/casualty areas.

Frahm said that it always has operated, and will continue to operate within the letter and spirit of the law and if it is necessary to continue to write automobile insurance in New Jersey in order to keep the rest of its business it will do so. Frahm added that ITT Hartford intends to pursue the administrative and legal remedies available to it because it feels the commissioner's position is incorrect.

ITT Hartford treasures its reputation for integrity which has been built over 180 years and it deeply regrets the unfair position taken by the insurance commissioner of the state of New Jersey and the characterizations of our position made by Governor Florio. In ITT Hartford's view the courts will ultimately agree with their position that it is improper for the commissioner to hold the entire business of ITT Hartford Insurance Group hostage to the demand that it write automobile insurance unprofitably. According to ITT Hartford, such a position is unfair to ITT's shareholders and to all of ITT Hartford's other insureds throughout the country and in New Jersey as well.

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#90227p5807 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - National Income Realty Trust (NASDAQ: NIRTS) today announced operating results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the trust recorded a net income of $2.8 million, or 75 cents per share, on revenues of $7.5 million and a gain on the sale of real estate of $5.9 million, compared with a net loss of $1.3 million, or 36 cents per share, on revenues of $7.4 million in the second quarter of the prior year.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the trust recorded a net income of $2.0 million, or 55 cents per share, on revenues of $14.9 million and a gain on the sale of real estate and an extraordinary gain totaling $6.6 million, compared with a net loss of $2.2 million, or 59 cents per share, on revenues of $14.3 million in the first half of 1989.

During the six months ended June 30, 1990, the trust recognized a gain of $5.9 million on the sale of Hawaii Business Park located in Honolulu, Hawaii. The trust also recorded an extraordinary gain of $.7 million on the early extinguishment of debt.

The trust's equity in results of operations of partnerships for the first half of 1990 totaled losses of $.2 million, compared with income of $.6 million for the same period in 1989. The fluctuations are partially attributable to a gain of $.5 million recorded in 1989 on the disposition of properties.

National Income Realty Trust is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

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#90227p5810 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Felix Zandman, chairman and chief executive officer of Vishay Intertechnology Inc. (NYSE: VSH), announced today that the company has successfully completed its common share offering of 2 million shares and has received $36 million in net proceeds from this offering.

Bear Stearns & Co. Inc., Salomon Brothers Inc. and Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Inc. were managing underwriters of the offering.

Commenting on the share offering, Zandman stated: "The proceeds of this offering may be used to repay outstanding bank indebtedness. The debt-to-equity ratio of the company would then be 0.86 ($146 million debt divided by $170 million equity). Following the repayment, the company will still have cash of approximately $25 million.

"Our present cash outlay for interest on long-term debt will now be approximately $11.5 million per year, assuming present interest rates,

while our past six months operating profit (annualized) is approximately $60 million."

Vishay Intertechnology Inc. is a leading U.S. and European producer of a wide range of electronic resistors and resistive sensors. It is also a major producer of other types of passive electronic components. The company's products are used in a broad range of industries.

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DALLAS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Transcontinental Realty Investors (NYSE: TCI) today announced operating results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the trust recorded a net loss of $1.2 million, or 9 cents per share, on revenues of $7.2 million, compared with a net income of $1.1 million, or 9 cents per share, on revenues of $8.5 million in the second quarter of the prior year.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the trust recorded a net loss of $2.1 million, or 16 cents per share, on revenues of $13.9 million, compared with a net income of $1.5 million, or 12 cents per share, on revenues of $16.9 million in the first half of 1989.

Lower interest income and higher general and administrative costs contributed to the 1990 second quarter loss, compared with 1989's second quarter performance. General and administrative expenses increased in part because of professional fees related to a class action settlement. Net rental income remained relatively stable.

Transcontinental Realty Investors is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

TRANSCONTINENTAL REALTY INVESTORS
Financial Highlights
(in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	Three months ended June 30,		Six months ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$ 7,203	$ 8,480	$13,934	$16,948
Net Income (Loss)	$(1,212)	$ 1,132	$(2,103)	$ 1,496
Per Share	$ (0.09)	$ 0.09	$ (0.16)	$ 0.12
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	12,769,574	12,286,123	12,802,801	12,283,048

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#90227p5816 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOWELL, N.J. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Valley Corporation (AMEX: UVC) today reported losses for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

For the 1990 second quarter, the net loss was $2,892,000, or $.77 per share, compared to net income of $536,000, or $.11 per share, in the same period last year. Second-quarter 1990 revenues declined to $12,243,000 from $26,087,000 in the 1989 second quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the net loss was $4,439,000, or $1.18 per share, compared to net income of $616,000, or $.13 per share, in the equivalent period of 1989. Revenues for the first six months of 1990 decreased to $21,710,000 from $46,244,000 in the same period last year.

The company's backlog at June 30, 1990 was lower than a year earlier, primarily due to reduced demand for new homes in the company's New Jersey market. The lower demand is principally related to slower economic growth and consumer caution, and the difficulties that prospective homebuyers are experiencing when trying to sell existing homes.

Sales backlog, including non-binding reservations on June 30, 1990, amounted to $29,198,000, or 233 units, compared with $47,726,000, or 314 units, at June 30, 1989.

Union Valley is negotiating revisions to various lending agreements with its banks and holders of its 14-1/4 percent subordinated debentures. The company has previously reported progress in these negotiations, and continues to be cautiously optimistic that the restructuring of its debts can be achieved in due course. The company's lead bank, First Fidelity Bank, N.A., Newark, N.J., has called for the repayment of $84.1 million due Aug. 1, 1990, but continues to negotiate with Union Valley to refinance this sum and provide long-term funding for the company's core homebuilding business.

Terms being negotiated with the bank may require the company to dispose of certain assets outside of the normal course of business, which may have an adverse impact on the company's ability to recover the carrying value of those assets. The company has provided reserves for possible loss on certain real estate assets, and may add to those reserves in the future, based on changing conditions in the market.

Union Valley Corporation designs, builds and markets retirement and

pre-retirement communities, non-age restricted housing and commercial real estate in New Jersey, Delaware and Pennsylvania.

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-30- 2840

#90227p5819 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, ALA. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Jones Plumbing Systems Inc. (AMEX: JPS) announced today its second quarter 1990 operating results.

The consolidated net sales of the company were $10,667,127 and $20,226,633 for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990, respectively. Net sales were $9,749,818 and $18,594,901 for the three and six months ended June 30, 1989, respectively. Net sales for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990, increased by 9.4 percent and 8.8 percent over the three months and six months ended June 30, 1989, respectively.

The company reported net income attributable to stock of $458,791 ($.08 per share) and $775,422 ($.13 per share) for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990, respectively, compared to $520,422 ($.10 per share) and $792,668 ($.15 per share) for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1989, respectively.

Jones Plumbing Systems Inc. is based in Birmingham, Ala., and is a fully integrated manufacturer and distributor of over 11,000 individual plumbing products, related hardware and other items.

The company sells its products to more than 6,800 wholesale plumbing suppliers, hardware wholesalers, and original equipment manufacturers. In addition, the company is developing its new JONESPEC division, by which skilled engineers and draftsmen are specially designing products for architects, contractors and subcontractors throughout the United States.

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#90227p5821 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORT HURON, MICH. (AUG. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert J. Thomson, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Southeastern Michigan Gas Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ: SMGS), stated that the company reported net loss of $983,000 for the second quarter of 1990 ($.13 per share), compared to net income of $110,000 ($.01 per share) for the same period in 1989.

The decrease in second-quarter net income of $1,093,000 is primarily the

result of the recording of a $900,000 provision for possible 90/10 refund payments discussed below, and increased operations and maintenance expenses, depreciation and taxes (other than income taxes) which reflect the higher cost of doing business and maintaining a larger amount of plant.

For the year to date, the company reported net income of $4,773,000 ($.63 per share) compared to $6,688,000 ($.90 per share) for the first half of 1989. In addition to the factors affecting the second-quarter comparison, six-month earnings also decreased because of reduced gas sales by the company's distribution subsidiaries due to 6 percent warmer weather.

In June 1990, the company recorded a provision of $900,000 for the possible refund payments resulting from the 90/10 rule of Southeastern Michigan Gas Company (Southeastern). Although there is no assurance that it can be accomplished, Southeastern is seeking to settle all litigation (discussed below) by refunding $900,000 to its customers. No such provision was made heretofore because of the positive decisions of the Administrative Law Judges (ALJs).

Under the terms of one of its tariffs, Southeastern must refund, prospectively, 90 percent of the gross margin of certain large volume and interruptible sales in excess of certain projected revenues. The Michigan Public Service Commission Staff (the Staff) has claimed that transportation revenues should be included in this calculation. The ALJs in two of Southeastern's Gas Cost Recovery Reconciliation cases concluded that transportation revenues are not subject to this tariff.

However, on May 18, 1990, the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) issued orders in Case Nos. U-8632-R and U-8953-R which did not follow the recommendation of the two ALJs who presided over the cases. The order in Case No. U-8632-R requires Southeastern to refund a principal amount of $859,978 plus interest from Feb. 28, 1988, at 14 percent per annum. This amount was determined by including most natural gas transportation revenue in Southeastern's 90/10 rule. The order in Case No. U-8953-R requires a reopening of the record for the purpose of determining whether a refund under Southeastern's 90/10 rule is required for the period ended Feb. 28, 1989, and the amount thereof. Southeastern has filed data with the MPSC showing that if the Staff's approach is adopted, Southeastern would have a $638,779 principal liability plus interest from Feb. 28, 1989, at 14 percent. Southeastern has filed a motion for reconsideration and rehearing before the MPSC in both cases.

The issue of including transportation revenue in the 90/10 rule has also arisen in the Gas Cost Recovery Reconciliation case for the period ended Feb. 28, 1990. Southeastern has filed affidavits with all parties in that case showing that if the Staff's approach is adopted, Southeastern would have a $542,162 principal liability plus interest from Feb. 28, 1990, at 14 percent.

The recent Michigan Gas Company rate order allowing increased annual revenue of $3,244,000 had no material effect on the results reported above as it only relates to gas sales after June 29, 1990. The full effect will be felt prospectively.

The following is a summary of the results for the quarter, year to date, and 12 months ended June 30:

SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES, INC.

Quarter Ended June 30	1990	1989
Operating revenue	$41,731,000	$38,993,000
Net income (loss) for common	(983,000)	110,000
Earnings per share(a)	($.13)	$.01
Dividends per share(a)	$.19	$.18
Average common shares outstanding	7,604,000	7,442,000
Year to Date Ended June 30		
Operating revenue	$126,358,000	$127,782,000
Net income for common	4,773,000	6,688,000
Earnings per share(a)	$.63	$.90
Dividends per share(a)	$.38	$.36
Average common shares outstanding	7,584,000	7,419,000
12 Months Ended June 30		
Operating revenue	$225,329,000	$219,908,000
Net income for common	5,717,000	6,941,000
Earnings per share(a)	$.76	$.96
Dividends per share(a)	$.76	$.71
Average common shares outstanding	7,543,000	7,200,000

(a) -- Adjusted to give retroactive effect to 5 percent stock dividends in May 1989, and May 1990, and a 4-for-3 stock split in January 1989.

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#90227p5823 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - National Education Corp. (NYSE: NEC) today announced that its Applied Learning International subsidiary and Wilson Learning CZY. have formed a strategic partnership whereby Applied Learning will distribute all of Wilson Learning's off-the-shelf Interactive Video Instruction (IVI) and several Videotape Training courses. Applied Learning's IVI distribution rights are exclusive in the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom and are nonexclusive in several foreign countries including Scandinavia, Benelux, Australia and New Zealand. As part of the new agreement, and supporting both companies' commitment to the Interactive Video market for Human Resource (HR)

training, Wilson Learning will also develop additional training products in HR topics for Applied Learning's service and distribution channels as well as continue to offer customized IVI products separately.

Ron Tapper, president of Applied Learning, stated, "The agreement complements the best capabilities of the two organizations. Applied Learning bring to the partnership its extensive, nationwide service force, its Product Support Center, and its substantial offering in IVI products. Wilson brings its leading-edge thinking on the major business issues of the day, as well as its excellent instructional design and course development capabilities."

In commenting on the new alliance, Audie Dunham, president of Wilson Learning Corp., said, "This partnership is ideal in that it greatly improves our ability to serve clients with more IVI programs to meet their training needs."

CONTACT: Jack Polley of National Education Corp., 714-474-9400.

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TULSA, OK (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Hawkins Energy Corp. (NASDAQ: HECI) today reported revenues of $1,767,000 for the second quarter of 1990; this is a 68 percent increase over the pro forma results during the second quarter of 1989. For the first six months of 1990, revenues were $3,037,000 which is 12 percent higher than the first half of 1989. The increases for the three and six month periods primarily resulted from the acquisition in April, 1990 of Pro-Sales and Equipment Services, an Oklahoma City-based business that specializes in the purchase, remanufacture and sale of gas compressors, and from increases in compressor rental revenues of 158 percent for the six months of 1990 compared with 1989 and 120 percent for the comparative three month periods.

Net income of $6,000 ($.002 per share) was reported for the second quarter of 1990 compared with a pro forma net loss of $302,000 (9 cents per share) for the second quarter of 1989. During the first six months of 1990, the company reported a net loss of $476,000 (15 cents per share) compared with a pro forma net loss of $463,000 (14 cents per share) for the first six months of 1989. The company's loss for the first six months of 1990 was primarily due to a $658,000 write down of the carrying value of its reserves during the first quarter due to lower oil and gas prices at the end of that quarter. The company currently has 3,282,864 outstanding shares of common stock.

Hawkins Energy Corp. was formed in December, 1989, after limited partners in 10 oil and gas drilling partnerships approved the exchange of partnership units for common stock. The pro forma results reported

reflect the financial consolidation of separate business entities, each with its own restrictions and objectives.

Hawkins Energy Corp. is a Tulsa-based, publicly held energy company engaged in oil and gas production and the remanufacturing, leasing and sales of gas compressors. Hawkins Energy's common shares are listed on NASDAQ under the symbol HECI.

(In thousands except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,767	$1,053	$3,037	$2,719
Net Income (Loss)	$ 6	$ (302)	$ (476)	$ (463)
Net Income (loss) per share	$ .002	$ (.09)	$ (.15)	$ (.14)
Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding	3,286	3,286	3,286	3,286

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BRAINTREE, MA. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ: GROS) responded today to the Shidler/Holman group's latest statement regarding its consent solicitation proposal to take control of the Grossman's board.

Tom Schwarz, president and chief operating officer of Grossman's said, "This sudden and unexplained about-face by Shidler/Holman is puzzling, to put it mildly. Just last week, they said, in materials filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and sent to Grossman's stockholders, that if they got control of the Grossman's board they would implement a sale/leaseback deal between themselves and the company on unspecified terms, and not necessarily with the benefit of a fairness opinion from an independent financial advisor. That so-called plan was vague, conditional and manifestly rife with self-dealing and conflicts of interest.

"Now without a word of explanation, they apparently have abandoned that idea, without substituting anything of any substance as far as we can tell. We think Grossman's stockholders should be asking themselves what Shidler/Holman brings to the table here," Schwarz continued.

"In the past three and a half years, the Grossman's board and management have worked vigorously and successfully to restore the company's financial strength. From Dec. 31, 1986 to June 30, 1990, Grossman's has reduced its debt from $226 million to $86 million and improved its debt to equity ratio dramatically from over 9:1 to less than 1:1," Schwarz concluded.

Grossman's further urged stockholders not to take action until the company sends to stockholders a complete response to the latest, revised Shidler/Holman solicitation materials.

Grossman's, a major retailer of lumber and building materials, operates 156 stores in nine Northeastern states and in California.

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LONDON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Lynton Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: LYNG), the corporate aviation company, announced that it had today acquired the remaining 60 percent of the capital stock of its 40 percent owned related company, European Helicopters Limited (EHL), in exchange for 93,600 of its preferred shares. The preferred shares are convertible into 9,360,000 newly issued common shares of Lynton, representing approximately 15 percent of Lynton's issued and outstanding shares after giving effect to the acquisition of the Linpro Jet Centre and the related issuance of a warrant entitling HM Holdings, Inc., an affiliate of Hanson Industries to acquire approximately 30,000,000 Lynton common shares. The transaction was executed and simultaneously consummated pursuant to a purchase agreement among Lynton and European Helicopters Limited's other shareholders.

As part of this transaction Lynton (U.K.) has moved its operations to EHL's facility at Denham near London's Heathrow International Airport.

Christopher Tennant, chief executive officer of Lynton stated, "The acquisition of the remaining shares of European Helicopters Limited brings all of their operations into Lynton with the key executives led by Steve Borrowdale, becoming full shareholders of Lynton. By combining our U.K. operations with those of EHL we expect this acquisition to strengthen both companies' operations."

EHL is a United Kingdom corporation engaged primarily in the rebuilding, sale and maintenance of corporate helicopters. For its fiscal year ended March 31, 1990, EHL reported revenues of approximately $11,000,000 and pretax profit of approximately $700,000.

Lynton, based in Spring Valley, N.Y. and London, England, is primarily involved in the maintenance, sales and charter of corporate helicopters in the United States and in the sales, management and charter of corporate helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft in the United Kingdom. At March 31, 1990 there were approximately 21,750,000 shares outstanding.

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LONDON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Lynton Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: LYNG), the corporate aviation company, today announced that it had consummated the acquisition of the Linpro Jet Centre located at the Morristown Municipal Airport, Morris County, N.J., for a purchase price of $16 million, paid in cash at closing. The Linpro Jet Centre is to be renamed the Lynton Jet Centre.

The Linpro Jet Centre, a fixed-based operator of approximately 132,000 square feet of hangar and office space, provides storage and fuel services to numerous corporate fixed wing and helicopter aircraft at the Morristown Municipal Airport. The Linpro Jet Centre reported revenues for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989 of $4,466,000 and operating income for the period of $1,401,000; and for the three months ended March 31, 1990, revenues of $1,433,000 and operating income of $429,000.

Simultaneously, Lynton entered into a loan agreement pursuant to which HM Holdings, Inc., an affiliate of Hanson Industries, provided secured debt financing in the amount of $17 million, bearing interest at an initial rate per annum of 10 percent, with principal repayment over seven years in variable installments commencing in the second year of the loan. Lynton also granted HM Holdings a warrant exercisable at any time during the period the loan is outstanding to acquire approximately 300,000 of its preferred shares in exchange for $1 million principal amount of the secured debt. The preferred shares will be convertible into approximately 30 million shares of Lynton common stock representing approximately 49 percent of Lynton's issued and outstanding common shares after giving effect to the conversion of preferred shares issued to the stockholders of European Helicopters Limited in a share exchange transaction consummated simultaneously with the Jet Centre acquisition. In addition, HM Holdings shall have the right to nominate four directors to Lynton's board if HM Holdings exercises its option.

Christopher Tennant, chief executive of Lynton, stated, "We are delighted to have concluded these agreements. The acquisition of the Linpro Jet Centre together with the acquisition of the 60 percent of European Helicopters Limited not already owned by Lynton will, I believe, provide a strong foundation to build Lynton into a leading company in the executive aviation business both in Europe and North America. We also welcome and look forward to working with John Lemen, currently general manager of the Linpro Jet Centre, who has agreed to continue in such position post

closing, and his excellent team who have built up Linpro over the past four years to being a premier fixed base operator in the greater New York area,"

Lynton, based in Spring Valley, N.Y., and London, is primarily involved in the maintenance, sales and charter of corporate helicopters in the United States and in the sales management and charter of corporate helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft in the United Kingdom. At March 31, 1990, there were approximately 21,750,000 shares outstanding. On Aug. 13, 1990 the closing bid price was $.31-1/4 per share and the closing asked price was $.50 per share.

CONTACT: Christopher Tenant, chief executive, 212-980-9090, or Nicholas Toms, 212-832-9356, both of Lynton Group, or Lynton Group Limited, in England: 011-44-895-8350.

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#90227p5841 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLYMOUTH MEETING, Pa. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Progress Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: PFNC) announced today that preliminary discussions have broken off with persons who were interested in putting together a group of investors to acquire the corporation because the parties were not able to reach mutually satisfactory price and agreement.

These discussions were previously announced on April 25, 1990. Progress Financial Corp. will continue to evaluate means of enhancing shareholder value, but there can be no assurance that these efforts will be successful in the current economic climate.

Progress Financial Corp., a Delaware corporation, with its principal executive offices in Plymouth Meeting, is a unitary thrift holding company. The business of the corporation consists primarily of the operation of Progress Federal Savings Bank headquartered in Plymouth Meeting, as its sole banking subsidiary. The corporation's stock is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System; the NASDAQ symbol is PFNC.

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(AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Bioplasty, Inc., announces that on Aug. 30, 1990, it will hold a press conference to introduce a major technological breakthrough in mammary prostheses. The press conference will begin at 8:30 a.m. at the Omni Northstar Hotel, Northstar Ballroom, seventh floor, 618 Second Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Bioplasty has more than 19 years experience in the development, manufacturing and marketing of plastic surgery products worldwide. Bioplasty's stock is currently traded on NASDAQ under the symbol "BIOP."

CONTACT: Tim Lawin or Robyn Lampright of Bioplasty, Inc., 612-636-4112.

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#90227p5845 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - K mart Corporation (NYSE: KM) today announced it will open an "innovative" new K mart Super Center with a broad assortment of fresh foods, flowers and contemporary fashions in the Medwick Marketplace, Medina, Ohio, in early spring 1991. Construction will begin immediately on the 147,000-square-foot store, located at the northwest corner of North Court Street and Reagan Parkway. Trio Construction Services of Columbus, Ohio, has been awarded the construction contract.

The project is a K mart Corporation development in conjunction with the Zaremba Group of Lakewood, Ohio, who will construct and market the remaining properties in the Marketplace.

"We selected Medina for K mart's first innovative Super Center concept because Medina shoppers have always been loyal K mart customers. Now K mart will reward that loyalty by putting its first K mart Super Center in Medina. We will offer our customers a broad assortment of contemporary fashions and general merchandise plus a new array of fresh foods and grocery products that shoppers want today in a convenient, one-stop shopping environment," said Larry M. Parkin, K mart executive vice president for warehouse and grocery operations.

The addition of a most up-to-date supermarket format will provide new jobs in Medina. Current employees at the relocating North Court Street K mart store will be offered continued employment at the new K mart Super Center.

The K mart Super Center will feature an innovative 53,000-square- foot supermarket of fresh foods and name brand groceries. The remaining 94,000 square feet of K mart merchandise selections will include a wide assortment of contemporary fashion apparel and general merchandise. Specialty areas will include a floral department, a drive-thru garden shop a pharmacy, a hot-and-cold deli, an imported cheese shop, a fresh pizza bar, a salad bar, a complete meat department including fresh fish and seafood, the area's largest frozen food department, and Medina's largest fresh bakery, providing a wide selection of hot breads, buns, cakes, pies and cookies fresh from the baking ovens.

"This is a 'new K mart concept'," said Parkin. "It is certainly not

another 'me too' store. It will focus on fresh assortments of everything from prepared foods to fashions, flowers to footwear, with emphasis on variety, value and convenience. Our customers will be checked out quickly through 28 registers in the front of the store," Parkin said. "K mart is proud to put this Super Center flagship store in Medina."

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#90227p5846 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BILLERICA, MASS. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Gerald S. Eilberg, chief financial officer of National Datacomputer, Inc. (NDI) announced today the results of its second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Eilberg reported that revenues for the quarter were $775,422 as compared with revenues of $1,012,983 for the same period in 1989. The net loss for the quarter before adjustments was $221,975 vs. $590,905 for the second quarter of 1989. Non-recurring adjustments totalling $233,575 brought the net loss in the quarter ended June 30, 1990 to $455,550. These adjustments comprised overhead absorption rates and a write-off of deferred legal, accounting and professional fees associated with a financing program.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $1,513,814 with a net loss of $750,001 before adjustments and $983,576 after adjustments. This compares to revenues of $2,822,834 and a net loss of $545,330 for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

Eilberg also reported that the cost reduction program announced in a release on May 17, 1990 was showing results. While selling and general and administrative costs in the second quarter, before adjustment, decreased 36 percent from the first quarter, sales had increased by 5 percent.

Norman Mackinnon, president of NDI stated that "the company has been and continues to be in a very tight cash position, so it is gratifying to see the results in the second quarter which is certainly a tribute to the dedicated employees of NDI. As to financing, we are actively pursuing a two-stage program. Completion of the first phase would solidify the company's short-term goals, while completion of the second stage would allow the company to return to its high-growth pattern."

National Datacomputer, Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and services rugged, programmable handheld computers, data collection devices, peripherals and software, and communication options designed for people who need the power of a PC in the field rather than at their desk. The company's shares are traded over-the-counter.

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DEARBORN, MICH. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) has informed employees at its Atlanta Assembly Plant and its Kansas City (Mo.) Assembly Plant Tempo and Topaz assembly system that the facilities will be idled the week of Aug. 20. Also, the previously announced idling of the Thunderbird and Cougar assembly system at the Lorain (Ohio) Assembly Plant during the week of Aug. 13 will be extended for a second week (Aug. 20).

The downtime at Atlanta and Kansas City is necessitated by a shortage of dealer orders. The Lorain downtime is caused by a shortage of interior trim materials.

Atlanta employs approximately 2,500 hourly personnel on two shifts and builds about 5,000 Taurus and Sable models per week. The Tempo/Topaz assembly system at Kansas City employs approximately 2,300 hourly personnel on two shifts and builds approximately 4,000 units per week. The Thunderbird/Cougar assembly system at Lorain employs approximately 2,700 hourly personnel on two shifts and builds about 5,600 units per week.

CONTACT: Joel Pitcoff, 313-337-3753, or June Larsen, 313-337-3755, both of Ford Motor Company

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DALLAS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Income Opportunity Realty Trust (AMEX: IOT) today announced operating results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the trust recorded net loss of $669,000, or 18 cents per share, on revenues of $2.1 million, compared with net loss of $1.8 million, or 49 cents per share, on revenues of $3.7 million in the second quarter of the prior year.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the trust recorded a net loss of $1.1 million, or 31 cents per share, on revenues of $4.1 million, compared with a net loss of $2 million, or 53 cents per share, on revenues of $7.4 million in the first half of 1989.

The reduction in net loss in the first half of 1990, compared with the first half of 1989, was primarily attributable to significant expenses related to a tender offer and higher interest and operating expenses in

1989 than in 1990 because of more properties in the portfolio. Net rental income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $868,000, compared with $1.8 million in the corresponding period in 1989. This decline also reflects the five properties the trust disposed of during late 1989.

Income Opportunity Realty Trust is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

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NEWARK, NJ (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Visual Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: VISC) announced today that it had reached an understanding to sell all of the capital stock of its wholly owned subsidiary, Vanguard Corporation, to Linmar Associates, Inc. of Northport, N.Y. Vanguard Corporation, located in Brooklyn, N.Y. manufactures and sells filing cabinets, desks, bookcases seating and related office furniture and equipment.

Jules Brenin, the executive vice president of Visual Industries, Inc., and the president of Vanguard Corporation stated that the sale of Vanguard was part of Visual's re-structuring program and designed to enhance shareholders' equity in Visual.

Consummation of the proposed transaction is subject to certain conditions, including the execution of definitive agreements between the parties, the obtaining of consents from Vanguard's lenders, the submission by the buyer of a business plan for Vanguard Corporation and approval by the boards of directors of Vanguard and Visual. The closing date is expected to be on or before Oct. 1 of this year.

Visual Industries, Inc. will continue to sell technical furniture and equipment, high-density storage systems and leisure and commercial art equipment through its Stacor Corporation subsidiary.

CONTACT: Jules Brenin executive vice president of Visual Industries, 718-383-2500.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - American National Petroleum Co. (NASDAQ: ANPC) (the "company") reported net income of $154,000 (2 cents per common share) for the three months ended June 30, 1990 as compared to net income of $139,000 (2 cents per common share) for the three months ended June 30, 1989. Revenues for the second quarter of 1990 were $2,813,000 compared to

$5,047,000 for the 1989 period. The increase in net income for the three months ended June 30, 1989 to 1990 was due primarily to (a) a gain realized from the settlement of a litigation matter, (b) decrease in depletion cost, and (c) decrease in interest expense. The increase in net income was partially offset by decreased sales volumes and price received by crude oil. During the first quarter of 1990, the company changed to the equity method of accounting for its natural gas pipeline, which previously had been reported on a consolidated basis in the company's financial statements. The effects of the accounting change resulted in lower revenues and expenses being reported in the 1990 period as compared to 1989.

American National Petroleum Company is engaged in the acquisition of oil and gas producing properties and other energy related transactions.

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CORAL GABLES, FLA. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - BankUnited, a Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: BKUN) serving both coasts of Florida, has reported net earnings of $574,447 ($.48 per share) on total income of $15,080,793 for the nine months ended June 30, 1990, compared to net earnings of $574,289 ($.46 per share) on total income $11,515,677 for the same period of 1989.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, BankUnited reported net earnings of $220,198 ($.16 per share) on total income of $5,031,247, compared to net earnings of $255,456 ($.20 per share) on total income of $4,234,179 for the same quarter of 1989.

In announcing the earnings, Alfred R. Camner, chairman and president of BankUnited, stated, "Our core earnings for the last quarter were up more than tenfold over a year ago, and I believe they will continue to improve during our fourth quarter.

"Based upon this strong showing in core earnings, I anticipate a sizeable increase in net earnings for our September 30th fiscal year over the 1989 results.

"Compared to a year ago, BankUnited's gains have been solid. Assets are up 20 percent to $215 million, deposits are up 24 percent to $173 million, tangible capital and core capital are both up 27 percent to $12.4 million, and risk-based capital is up 5 percent to $15.6 million.

"Our capital ratios are far in excess of the regulatory requirements, and will support substantial growth in the years ahead. Our tangible capital

is 5.8 percent vs. 1.5 percent required; our core capital is 5.8 percent vs. 3 percent required; and our risk-based capital is 12.6 percent vs. 6.4 percent required."

BankUnited operates seven banking offices in Florida: Bonita Springs, Venice, Bradenton, Coral Gables, Tamarac, Coral Springs and Delray Beach. It is a publicly owned savings bank traded on the NASDAQ national market system under the symbol BKUN.

CONTACT: Steven D. Hayworth, chief operating officer of BankUnited Savings Bank, 305-529-2400; or John K. Schulte of Schulte Ross & Aguilar, Inc., 305-371-6702, for BankUnited Savings Bank

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#90227p5861 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVING, TX (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Michaels Stores Inc. (AMEX: MKE) today announced a series of management changes which Chairman Sam Wyly said are designed both to strengthen the specialty retail chain's merchandising capabilities and to simplify its decision making processes.

According to Wyly, Donald G. Thomson has been elected president of the company, replacing B. B. Tuley, who has resigned effective immediately. Currently a director of Michaels, Thomson was responsible for negotiating the company's acquisition by the Wyly family.

Having spent much of his career in a variety of senior management and strategic planning positions with ITT Corp., Thomson left that company in 1972 to become president of University Computing Co. He subsequently was chief executive of Bonanza Restaurants Inc. until 1982, when be became a business consultant representing Wyly interests, including Michaels Stores.

Additionally, the chairman announced that Michael J. Dupey, who founded the Michaels concept in 1973, has been engaged to give Michaels what he termed "The benefit of Mike's unique talents that made possible the company's early successes and that were also largely responsible for creating today's arts, crafts and hobby retail industry."

Dupey has been named a Michaels merchandising advisor, a special new role in which he will assist the company, specifically on the selection and marketing of seasonal and promotional merchandise. Michaels Stores and MJDesigns will negotiate jointly for both chains. Together they will be buying substantially more than any other craft chain. Dupey will continue to serve as chief executive officer of his own Dallas-based company, Dupey Management Corp., which currently owns 23 craft stores, operating under the name of "MJDesigns."

Wyly also announced the promotions of R. Don Morris and of Douglas B.

Sullivan to executive vice presidents. Morris will be responsible for all administrative, finance, purchasing and warehousing functions, while all operations and marketing activities will now report to Sullivan.

With the restructuring, Wyly said that Michaels' management span of authority is greatly simplified, noting, "We're putting operational responsibility directly into the hands of managers who are best equipped to make the crucial day-to-day decisions. We're also adding a strong dose of merchandising flair that represents truly exciting possibilities both for the company and its customers.

"And, not least," the chairman added, "we have an executive in Don Thomson who is ideally suited to the task of productively bringing together the essential attributes of extraordinary promotional skill and professional management discipline."

Noted Wyly, "This new organization can be expected to continue building on its foundation and position as a market leader gained under B.B. Tuley's direction, at the same time as it moves more actively to establish new operating processes and exploit new market opportunities."

Michaels Stores Inc., with nearly $300 million in sales last year, is the nation's leading retailer of home decoration and arts and crafts merchandise, currently operating 133 specialty retail stores in 18 states throughout the southern half and midwestern sections of the United States.

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#90227p5862 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORCROSS, GA. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Stockholder Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: SSIAA) announced today that the record date for the stockholders' meeting to consider the merger agreement with NYNEX is Aug. 15 and that the stockholders' meeting will be held Wednesday, Sept. 19, at the SSI headquarters in Norcross.

Company officials also announced that the definitive agreement to merge with NYNEX had been amended. The amendment increased the purchase price per share so that SSI shareholders will receive NYNEX common stock with a value of $15 to $16 for each share of SSI stock, which was previously announced, plus an additional 18 cents per share of NYNEX common stock for each share of SSI stock. The amendment also included other non-material items. The exact amount SSI's shareholders will receive will be based on the average price of NYNEX's common stock shortly before the closing of the transaction which is expected to occur on Sept. 19, if the shareholders approve the merger.

Founded in 1971, SSI designs, markets and supports a line of financial application software for IBM and IBM-compatible computers. SSI has over 1,200 customers who use SSI's software for check processing, securityholder recordkeeping, electronic funds transfer, cash management, lease accounting, loan origination, safe box accounting, loan recovery, loan servicing and secondary marketing.

CONTACT: Robert L. Campbell, executive vice president, 404-441-3387, or Jimmy Locklear, 404-840-1401 (office), or 404-320-0160 (home), both of Stockholder Systems

-30- 1730

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - NYNEX International Company announced today that Graham Darley, former general manager - business operations division of Australia-based OTC Limited, has been appointed managing director - Asia/Pacific Region. Based in Hong Kong, Darley will be responsible for representing NYNEX interests in the region.

Darley joins NYNEX after more than 25 years in the information industry during which time he served as technical advisor, contract negotiator, and business manager in both the public and private sectors of Australia's telecommunications infrastructure.

In the public sector, Darley culminated his 15 year air force service as head of the Airspace Control and Communications Division, RAAF Operation Command Headquarters, responsible for the management of all communications electronics, data processing & airspace control systems and facilities associated with the operational Air Force in Australia and overseas.

In 1982, Darley joined the private sector as general manager, AWA, Australia's leading provider of electronic & communications products. In this capacity he was responsible for the management of five divisions and one subsidiary company and served as a member of the Tripartite Committee for the Australian Aerospace Industry.

In 1986, Darley accepted his post at OTC Limited responsible for the management of the business and operations of Australia's U.S.$1.5 billion international communications organization.

Darley is a graduate of the Australian Air Force Staff College and the Australian Joint Services Staff College. He is also a Fellow, Communications Engineering of the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology.

NYNEX Corporation (NYSE: NYN), a U.S.-based provider of information and telecommunications products and services had 1989 operating revenues of U.S.$13.2 billion and assets of U.S.$25.9 billion. From its overseas

offices, NYNEX International Company represents the NYNEX family of companies in markets outside the United States.

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CINCINNATI (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR) announced that the company completed the sale of the operations of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Eastman Radio, Inc. to a subsidiary of Katz Communications, Inc. for a total cash consideration of $11,750,000.

The Katz organization acquired Eastman's radio station representation contracts and other tangible and intangible assets related to the servicing of those contracts. Certain other assets of Eastman (principally cash, cash equivalents and approximately $2,266,000 of accounts receivable) and all of its existing and contingent liabilities have been retained.

Jacor had owned and operated Eastman since February 1988 when it acquired the company for stock valued at the time at approximately $8,470,000. The recognition of any gain on the transaction will be dependent upon further assessment of contingent liabilities and federal income tax consequences. Jacor's radio stations will continue to be represented by Eastman.

Terry S. Jacobs, chairman, president and CEO of Jacor said, "We believe the Eastman personnel are among the most capable in the rep industry and we look forward to continuing a long-term relationship as Eastman becomes a part of the Katz organization. The sale of Eastman at this favorable price fits our strategic plan to decrease our overall debt and to concentrate our future operations in owning and operating radio stations in the top 25 markets."

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, currently owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network, and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

CONTACT: Terry S. Jacobs, R. Christopher Weber, or Jon M. Berry, 513-621-1300, all of Jacor Communications, Inc.

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#90227p5869 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH PLAINFIELD, N.J. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Responding to a request by

the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), Enzon, Inc. (NASDAQ: ENZN) today issued revised financial statements for the past three years. The request arose from an SEC interpretation of a 1987 corporate investment in Enzon.

The revised financial statements cover fiscal years ended June 30, 1987, 1988, and 1989 and for the nine month periods ended March 31, 1989, and 1990. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989 the previously reported net loss of $5,032,283 or ($.44) per share becomes net income of $947,654 or $.08 per share, as restated. The net losses reported for the fiscal years ended June 30, 1987 and 1988 were reduced by $235,982 or $.03 per share and $2,784,081 or $.26 per share, respectively. The March 31, 1989 comparative amounts included in the 10-Q filing for the quarter ended March 31, 1990 have been similarly restated.

For the nine month period ended March 31, 1990, the previously reported net loss of $3,454,715 or ($.28) per share remains the same. This restatement had no effect on the company's total assets, total liabilities and stockholder's equity at June 30, 1989 and will have no future effect on the company's assets, liabilities, stockholders' equity, and income.

The SEC request followed a review of a registration statement associated with a recent private placement of Enzon securities. The restatement revises the accounting of a 1987 equity investment in Enzon by Eastman Kodak Company ("Kodak").

On March 5, 1987, the company and Kodak entered into a stock purchase agreement under which Kodak bought 2,000,000 shares of the company's common stock for $15,000,000. Under that agreement, $9,000,000 was to be used to fund all activities necessary to obtain Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval to market three Enzon products. Enzon initially credited the entire Kodak investment to capital stock and paid-in capital.

As a result of the restatement, Enzon has revised its financial statements to reflect that the $9,000,000 was a liability in 1987. The company's expenditures relating to the three products, previously charged to income, have now reduced the liability. As of March 31, 1990, that liability was $1,710,601. This accounting treatment does not create any new obligation to Kodak or change Enzon's relationship with Kodak. In summary, this restatement reduced Enzon's net losses for 1987 and 1988, resulted in a profit for 1989, and had no effect on the reported loss for the nine months ended March 31, 1990.

Enzon is a biopharmaceutical company developing improved therapies for life threatening diseases through the application of its proprietary technology, PEGNOLOGY(TM), to enhance the delivery of protein-based drugs. In March 1990, Enzon received its first marketing approval from the FDA

for ADAGEN(TM), a treatment for a form of Severe Combined Immunodeficiency Disease (SCID).

CONTACT: Gail Wasilewski of Enzon, 201-668-1800, or Jason Rubin of Hill and Knowlton, 202-944-1956, for Enzon

-30- 3310

#90227p5870 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMSBURY, N.J. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Wedco Technology Inc. (AMEX: WED) announced today that its board of directors decided at their regular quarterly meeting yesterday to pass the semi-annual dividend.

The board said it concluded that as a result of the large capital budget last year of $9.5 million and the additional $4.5 million plan for capital expansion this year, together with the uncertainties of current economic conditions, extraordinary caution is required at this time in the use of cash. The board said it remains confident in Wedco's future profitability and the success of its expansion program.

Along with the decision to omit the dividend, the Wedco board announced that management is undertaking a concerted effort to cut any non-essential costs, and to improve efficiency and operating margins over the next 12 months. Wedco recently reported net income of $.06 per share for the quarter ended July 30, 1990. Interest expenses and operating costs were up substantially over last year. These increases are primarily related to the opening of new plants in Calgary, Canada; Gainsborough, England; and Houston, which are now successfully in production and will result in positive growth of Wedco's basic services.

CONTACT: Dudley Harman, vice president, or Nicholas Ruitenberg, chief financial officer, of Wedco Technology, 908-479-4181

-30- 1540

#90227p5872 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific-Atlanta's (NYSE: SFA) Government Products Division announced today that it has received a $9 million order to supply the U.S. Army with helicopter rotor track and balance equipment.

The order is the first of a three-year production contract. Under the terms of the contract, issued by the U.S. Army Aviation Systems Command (AVSCOM) in St. Louis, Scientific-Atlanta will supply and support more than 1,200 Rotor Analysis and Diagnostic Systems - Advanced Technology (RADS-AT) systems. The equipment is used to automate the maintenance task of adjusting helicopter rotors to reduce vibration.

RADS-AT is a fully automatic system that features expert diagnostics which indicate to users the precise rotorhead adjustments required to achieve smooth flight. The system was jointly developed with Stewart Hughes Ltd. (UK) and is manufactured by Scientific-Atlanta using Stewart Hughes' unique automatic blade tracking technology.

Helicopter manufacturers Sikorsky Aircraft and Bell Helicopter Textron use RADS-AT and helped develop diagnostic software for their aircraft.

Scientific-Atlanta Inc. is a key supplier of electronic instruments and electronics for telecommunications, industrial and government applications and is a leader in cable television electronics and satellite-based telecommunications networks.

CONTACT: Scott Wood of Scientific-Atlanta, 404-925-6377

-30- 1620

#90227p5873 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMINGTON, MN (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - J.B. Goodhouse, Inc.'s management noted that the third quarter shipments were affected by a sizable cutback in the orders received from two major accounts. During 1990 aggressive efforts have been made to broaden the account base. The company has registered significant progress in this effort which is reflected in the overall results for the first nine months of 1990. The number of active customers now exceeds eight hundred. Management expects to remain profitable in the fourth quarter.

J.B. GOODHOUSE, INC. FINANCIAL RESULTS

	Quarter Ending	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenue	$703,884	$856,725
Percent change	(17.8)	
Net income	211,320	322,992
Percent change	(34.6)	
	Year-to-Date (9 months)	
	1990	1989
Revenue	$905,083	$944,077
Percent change	(4.1)	
Net income	191,654	197,469
Percent change	(2.3)	

CONTACT: Bob Hansen of Hansen Engine Corporation, for J.B. Goodhouse, 612-935-5364

-30- 1473

#90227p5874 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Miami office of the statewide law firm of Broad and Cassel has announced the closing of a $24.5 million purchase of two Florida psychiatric hospitals by American Health Properties, Inc. (NYSE: AHE) (AHP), a health-care-based California REIT whose shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, and their lease to two limited partnerships represented by the firm. The sellers were affiliates of American Medical International, Inc. (AMI), as part of AMI's continuing divestiture program.

The Florida facilities are The Retreat in Sunrise, near Fort Lauderdale, and Anclote Manor in Tarpon Springs, outside of Tampa.

In disclosing the agreement, Mike Segal, the head of Broad and Cassel's health care group, stated, "These are doctor-oriented purchases. Physicians, including many psychiatrists, will own significant interests in the partnerships which will operate the hospitals.

"The chairman of the hospitals will be James S. Cassel," said Segal, "a partner of our own law firm, Broad and Cassel." Cassel, 34, played a leading role in implementing the acquisitions. The presidents of the corporate general partners of the partnerships are F. Dee Goldberg and Edward D. Goldman, M.D. Goldberg was formerly the administrator of The Retreat. Dr. Goldman was at one time a part owner of Palmetto General Hospital, a 350-bed acute medical facility.

The Retreat is a 100-licensed-bed, short-term acute care psychiatric and substance abuse hospital which commenced operations in 1989. Anclote Manor is a 130-licensed-bed, long-term psychiatric hospital which has provided treatment for the severely mentally ill for 35 years.

CONTACT: James S. Cassel of Broad and Cassel, 305-373-9419; or Paul S. Townsend of Woody Kepner Associates, Inc., 305-666-7110, for Broad and Cassel

-30- 2024

#90227p5875 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA CLARA, CA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Networked Picture Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: NPSI), a supplier of electronic design and prepress systems to the professional color printing industry, today announced sales of $845,769 for the three month period ended June 30, 1990, as compared to sales of $304,382 in the second quarter of 1989. Revenues for January through June 1990 were $945,435, representing a 78 percent increase over the corresponding period in 1989, during which total revenues were $532,287. The net loss of $327,141 for the quarter represents a 17 percent improvement over the net loss of $394,444 for the corresponding period in 1989. For the six month period, the net loss of $1,078,909 represents a 38 percent increase over the net loss of $781,737 for the

corresponding period in 1989. As of June 30, 1990, the company's working capital deficit and shareholders' deficiency were $899,160 and $689,800, respectively. Results for this period are not indicative of results to be expected in later periods.

Frank S. Greene, Jr., president of NPS, commented that, "We're pleased that these sales results include revenues derived from new products delivered in the first quarter and accepted by our customers during the second quarter. We're excited about this new equipment, which is used as a direct connection to transfer data between the NPS Page Express workstation and the customers' drum scanners and commercial film plotters. In fact, sales of systems that include these direct connections represent over 40 percent of our revenues for the second quarter."

In June 1990, NPS announced significant changes in its organization to reduce the costs of its operations, including closing a regional office in Illinois and a substantial reduction in the company's workforce. In addition, the company reorganized its direct sales force based in Bethesda Md., to direct its efforts at the printing industry concentrated in the central and eastern United States. The Company has also retained an investment banking firm to assist it with a prospective third-quarter capital infusion.

CONTACT: Steve Hyndman of Networked Picture Systems, 408-748-1677

-30- 2371

#90227p5876 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Corporation (NYSE: WU) today adjourned its shareholders' meeting in order to provide additional time for receipt of shareholder votes on agenda items, the principal one being the proposed reclassification of the company's preferred shares into common shares.

The meeting, which was re-convened at noon today and immediately adjourned without any business being conducted, will be re-convened at 2:00 p.m. tomorrow, Aug. 16, at the Montvale Ramada Inn, 100 Chestnut Ridge Rd., Montvale, New Jersey.

CONTACT: Warren R. Bechtel of Western Union, 201-818-5790 or 212-868-8888

-30- 787

#90227p5880 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines today said it is introducing lower fares for fall vacation travel in the mainland U.S., saving travelers up to 30 percent vs. regular discount fares.

The reduced fares are $79 to $139 off-peak, and $99 to $159 peak, each way. They apply to round-trip tickets purchased by Aug. 29 for travel between Sept. 5 and Dec. 16, except for five dates around Thanksgiving. A Saturday stay is required and tickets are nonrefundable.

CONTACT: Corporate Communications of Continental Airlines, 713-834-5080

-30- 722

#90227p5884 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Investors Savings Corp. (NASDAQ: INVS) distributed the following letter to all its employees today:

Aug. 15, 1990 Dear Investors Savings Corp. Employees, The Board of Directors regrets to announce that Thomas Fritz has resigned as chairman, president and chief executive officer of Investors Savings Corp. and its subsidiaries, effective immediately.

As most of you know, Tom Fritz co-founded this organization, has contributed greatly to our growth and was instrumental in shaping the strategic direction that has been so fundamental to our success. There is no disagreement on that strategic direction and we will continue to follow it.

In pursuing our strategic objectives however, differences in management style have arisen which led Tom to this decision. Tom would like to emphasize to you that he is fully supportive of our management team and that as a major shareholder, his confidence in our future remains undiminished.

Until a successor to Tom as chairman and chief executive officer is appointed by the Board of Directors, the two of us will assume portions of his responsibilities. We will also continue in our current positions.

Investors Savings Corp. is a savings and loan holding company whose principal asset is Investors Savings Bank, F.S.B., a federally chartered savings bank with seven savings offices and six residential mortgage production offices in the Twin Cities as well as three residential mortgage production offices in Chicago.

CONTACT: James Burkholder of Investors Savings Corp., 612-542-8000

-30- 1784

#90227p5886 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMINGTON, MN (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Oxboro Medical International, Inc. announced today that it has applied to have its common stock listed on the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Automated

Quotations System over-the-counter market.

Oxboro Medical International, Inc. is a Minneapolis-based holding company whose wholly owned subsidiary, Oxboro Medical, Inc. is in the business of developing, assembling, and selling medical and surgical devices.

CONTACT: Oxboro Medical International, Inc., 612-884-7831

-30- 696

#90227p5887 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PACOIMA, CA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - K-Swiss Inc. (NASDAQ: KSWS) reported today that it is in discussions with C. & J. Clark Ltd. of England, regarding the establishment of a joint venture for the distribution and sale of K-Swiss products in Europe. K-Swiss has experienced significant sales growth in the United States and Pacific Rim over the last 24 months. The association with C. & J. Clark, one of the largest shoe companies in the world, could help the company capitalize on opportunities which it believes exist in Europe.

K-Swiss Inc. designs, develops and markets high performance and casual athletic footwear. The company presently offers footwear for court sports nautical use and hiking.

CONTACT: George Powlick, CFO of K-Swiss, 818-897-3433

-30- 919

#90227p5890 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Campeau Corporation today announced that The Edward J. DeBartolo Corporation (EJDC) has agreed to extend to Aug. 31 1990 a previously signed agreement whereby EJDC will not exercise remedies against certain collateral as a result of defaults arising under loan agreements with the corporation without first giving nine days notice to Campeau Corporation. The previously signed agreement expired Aug. 15. A similar agreement remains in effect with two subsidiaries of Olympia & York Developments Limited.

CONTACT: Richard W. Wertheim of Wertheim Howe & Company Inc., 416-594-1600, or 416-276-6612, for Campeau

-30- 805

#90227p5892 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Tocor Inc. (NASDAQ: TOCRZ) today reported results of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990.

As previously indicated, Tocor's business plan calls for its activities to be limited to conducting pharmaceutical product research and development through an agreement with Centocor Inc. (NASDAQ: CNTO); the company said it does not expect to generate any revenues other than interest income in the near term. Consequently, Tocor said it expects to incur net losses for each quarter of 1990 as well as the next several years.

In the quarter ended June 30, 1990, Tocor continued to perform according to its business plan, with reported research and development expenditures of $3,676,484 and a loss for the quarter of $3,432,657 or $1.19 per share. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, Tocor reported research and development expenditures of $6,531,085 and a loss of $6,036,449 or $2.10 per share.

Tocor was founded to initiate development programs directed toward the search for therapeutic products for use in the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis and systemic lupus erythematosus. Tocor commenced operations in July 1989, and in August 1989, Tocor and Centocor Inc. completed a public offering of 2,875,000 units, each unit consisting of one share of Tocor Callable Common Stock and one warrant to purchase one share of Centocor Common Stock. The proceeds from the public offering are being used by Tocor to fund its research and development agreement with Centocor.

TOCOR INC.
(Unaudited)

Periods ended June 30, 1990	Quarter	Six months
Interest income	$414,624	$855,809
Research and development expenses	3,676,484	6,531,085
General and administrative expenses	66,354	156,749
Provision for income taxes	104,443	204,424
Loss	(3,432,657)	(6,036,449)
Loss per share	($1.19)	($2.10)
Weighted average shares	2,875,000	2,875,000

CONTACT: Thomas Pearson of Tocor, 215-648-3975, or Charles C. Cabot III of Centocor, 215-889-4456

-30- 2427
#90227p5895 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDLAND PARK, N.J. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The GMI Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: GMED) with operations in advertising and color photography lab services, today announced results of operations for the six months and quarter ended June 30, 1990.

THE GMI GROUP, INC.
Comparative Analysis (unaudited)

Periods ended June 30	Six months 1990	Six months 1989	2nd quarter 1990	2nd quarter 1989
Revenues	$7,471,000	$7,851,000	$4,179,000	$4,026,000
Loss from cont. opers.	(882,000)	(1,222,000)	(577,000)	(1,010,000)
Loss from discont. opers.	---	(2,257,000)	---	(2,282,000)
Net loss	(882,000)	(3,479,000)	(577,000)	(3,292,000)
Net loss per com. share	$(.34)	$(1.32)	$(.22)	$(1.24)
Avg. shares outstanding	2,669,387	2,659,157	2,673,239	2,659,296

CONTACT: Philip A. Newman, chairman of GMI Group, 201-444-2335

-30- 1121

#90227p5901 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Catalina Lighting, Inc. (AMEX: LTG), a Miami based company whose stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange announced operating results for its fiscal third quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Increased market share in the nations top home centers helped propel Catalina's sales to a new high. Third quarter sales continued their upward climb establishing new highs for the quarter and nine month period.

Sales for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 increased to a total of approximately $25,000,000, an increase of 66 percent. Net earnings for the period were $415,000 as compared to $586,000 for the same period last year. The decrease in profit was due in part to delayed shipments from the Orient on ceiling fans which the company chose to ship from domestic inventories to maintain strong customer relations.

These shipments caused a decrease in gross margins on warehouse sales which had previously climbed during past periods. Earnings per share for the quarter were $.08 as compared to $.14 per share the prior year. The current earnings per share, however, are based upon a total of 5,281,074 shares outstanding at June 30, 1990 compared to 4,298,239 shares at June 30, 1989.

CONTACT: Dean Rappaport, chief financial officer of Catalina Lighting, Inc., 305-558-4777

-30- 1496

#90227p5903 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS GATOS, CA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Hytek Microsystems Inc. (NASDAQ: HTEK) reported unaudited second quarter operating results as follows:

Quarter Ended

	June 30, 1990	July 1, 1989
Net sales	$ 2,456,000	$ 2,979,000
Loss from continuing operations	(1,402,000)	(825,000)
Income from discontinued operations	---	4,000
Net loss	(1,402,000)	(821,000)
Net income (loss) per share:		
Continuing operations	(.51)	(.30)
Discontinued operations	---	---
Net loss per share	(.51)	(.30)
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,751,000	2,800,000

Six Months Ended

	June 30, 1990	July 1, 1989
Net sales	$ 4,634,000	$ 5,995,000
Loss from continuing operations	(2,021,000)	(1,469,000)
Loss from discontinued operations	---	(166,000)
Net loss	(2,021,000)	(1,635,000)
Net loss per share:		
Continuing operations	(.73)	(.53)
Discontinued operations	---	(.06)
Net loss per share	(.73)	(.59)
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,751,000	2,800,000

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet

	June 30, 1990	Dec. 30, 1989
ASSETS		
Current assets	$ 4,218,000	$ 4,376,000
Net property, plant and equipment	911,000	1,083,000
Land and building held for sale	---	800,000
Investment and other assets	---	587,000
Total assets	$ 5,129,000	$ 6,846,000
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities	$ 1,908,000	$ 1,568,000
Deferred income taxes	---	20,000
Long term debt	17,000	33,000
Shareholders' equity	3,204,000	5,225,000
Total liabilities	$ 5,129,000	$ 6,846,000

Founded in 1974, Hytek specializes in custom hybrid microelectronic circuits that are used in computer, automotive, communications, medical and military applications. Hytek's common stock is traded over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol HTEK.

CONTACT: Alan W. Baldwin or Judith E. Siljander, both of Hytek, 408-395-2300

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#90227p5904 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BELLEVUE, WA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - In a Letter Of Intent signed today, with Advanced Gravis Computer Technology Ltd. ("Gravis") (NASDAQ: GRVSF; Toronto, Vancouver: AED), Logitech International S.A. ("Logitech") has primarily agreed to provide a loan to Gravis of $840,000 (Canadian) to be secured by a convertible debenture maturing 3 years after its date of issue, Gravis announced.

The conclusion of any agreement based on the initial Letter Of Intent is subject to the reaching of a final agreement by each party on the form and terms of the debenture and warrants.

The debenture will bear interest at 12 percent per annum, payable quarterly and is convertible at any time prior to maturity, in whole or in part, at Logitech's option, into 1,500,000 units of Gravis, at a price of $0.56 (Canadian). Each unit will consist of one share of Gravis common stock and one non-transferable warrant entitling Logitech to purchase an additional share at $0.70 (Canadian) for a period of five years from the date the loan is advanced. If converted, this would result in Logitech's owning approximately 34 percent of Advanced Gravis on a fully diluted basis and make Logitech the single largest shareholder. In addition, Gravis will agree to give Logitech a first right of refusal to purchase any further securities to be issued by Gravis, except for any presently outstanding rights to purchase securities and employ incentive options.

Proceeds from this private placement will be used to repay a $300,000 (U.S.) bridge loan made by Logitech in June 1990 and to supplement working capital. With this investment, Gravis' working capital position will be improved and will allow the company a better opportunity to meet the strong expected demand for its joystick products this fall.

"We're enthusiastic about this opportunity," said Logitech President and Chief Executive Officer, Pierluigi Zappacosta. "Both companies address a similar market and share a common interest in input technology. Since our technological bases are complementary, we hope to consider that our combined resources will allow us to diversify and explore new market opportunities."

Founded in 1981, Logitech designs, manufactures and markets desktop tools -- hardware and software products that enhance individual productivity and creativity. The largest manufacturer of computer "mice" in the world, and the leading U.S. manufacturer of hand-held scanners, Logitech maintains manufacturing facilities in Fremont, California; Hsinchu, Taiwan; and Cork, Ireland; and sales offices in major cities in the United States, Europe and the Far East. During fiscal year 1990, which ended

March 31 of this year, Logitech posted a net income of $8.8 million on consolidated worldwide revenues of $111.3 million.

Advanced Gravis designs, manufactures and markets high-quality microcomputer input devices, including the Gravis analog and switch joysticks and an optical Mousestick, for the IBM PC and Apple platforms, as well as input devices for Nintendo, Amiga and Atari machines, and the Hardpac line of portable hard disk drives.

"Gravis welcomes Logitech's investment," said Gravis President and Chief Executive Officer, Grant Russell. "This partnering will bring expertise and synergies in many areas, including manufacturing, R&D and marketing. Our combined potential is very promising."

The conclusion of this transaction is subject to the approval of the shareholders of Gravis and regulatory authorities.

CONTACT: Grant Russell, 604-434-7809, or Norman Levinson, 206-637-2825, both of Advanced Gravis; or Tim Zier of Logitech, 415-795-8500

-30- 3873

#90227p5906 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Communications Corporation of America, Inc. (CCA) of Southport, Conn., today filed a $350 million damages action in federal district court in Washington, D.C. against Telecom USA. CCA's suit alleges fraud and breach of a 1989 contract by Telecom USA.

Under the contract, CCA, as Telecom USA's agent, signed up telephone calling card customers for long distance telephone services nationwide. CCA's unique marketing program provided charities, non-profits, and affinity groups with as much as 30 percent of the revenue CCA would have received from long distance calls of Telecom USA's network. CCA also committed 1 percent of its gross Telecom USA income to a special fund for inner city education.

According to CCA's president John Capozzi, Telecom(A) USA notified CCA in March 1990 that it was canceling the contract. "CCA developed a network of over 80 sales representatives nationwide as well as relationships with non-profit and affinity groups representing over 10 million potential card holders," Capozzi said. "At all times, CCA was ready, willing and able to perform on the contract," Capozzi added. "We registered 388 charities corporations and other large users with Telecom USA and performed as agreed. Unfortunately, not only CCA, but many worthwhile charities and other organizations have been hurt by Telecom USA's failure to perform."

Telecom USA, the nation's fourth largest long distance carrier, is in the

process of merging with MCI Communications Corporation, the number two carrier in the long distance market. CCA is a wholly owned subsidiary of Convoy Capital Corporation of Montreal, Quebec, Canada which is listed on the NASDAQ Stock Exchange.

CCA is represented by the Washington, D.C. office of the law firm Bell, Boyd and Lloyd which also has offices in Chicago and Dallas and by Phil Musolino.

CONTACT: William A. Duerk, 202-466-6300

-30- 2134

#90227p5909 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Metalclad Corp. (NASDAQ: MTLC) announced today that it experienced a net loss of $177,000 for the second quarter of 1990 and a net loss of $149,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1990, compared to net income of $209,000 for the second quarter of 1989 and net income of $515,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1989. The loss was primarily attributable to a decrease in contracting activity by some of the company's principal customers and the lack of asbestos abatement contract securals. Net income for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, was $1,155,000, including an extraordinary item of $392,000 from utilization of net operating loss carryforwards.

Revenues, derived principally from insulation contracting services, asbestos abatement services and insulation material sales, were $6,513,000 for the second quarter of 1990 compared to $9,284,000 in the comparable period in 1989, a decrease of 29.8 percent. Revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were $12,156,000 compared to $16,526,000 for the comparable period in 1989, a 26.4 percent decline. Revenues decreased primarily as a result of reduced contracting activity by the company's principal customers of insulation maintenance contracts which constitute a majority of the company's insulation contracting revenues. Material sales also declined as a result of the sale of the company's material sales division in Albuquerque, N.M., in August 1989 and the sale in December 1989 of the assets of Reliance Chemicals Corp., the company's wholly owned subsidiary in Houston, which was engaged in the manufacture and sale of microbes. Contract costs and cost of material sales decreased proportionately with the decreases in revenues from contracting activities and material sales; however, general and administrative expenses increased 6.9 percent as a result of the hiring of additional personnel.

The net loss per share in the second quarter of 1990 was ($.04) compared to net income per share of $.05 for the comparable period in 1989. The net loss per share for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was ($.03) compared to net income per share of $.12 for the comparable period in 1989. Net income for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, was $.26 per share.

Metalclad Corp. is engaged in industrial insulation services, asbestos abatement services, and insulation material sales to customers primarily in California and Washington.

METALCLAD CORP.
Summary of Financial Information
(Unaudited)

	6 months ended June 30,		3 months ended March 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$12,155,672	$16,525,570	$6,512,948	$9,283,524
Costs and expenses	12,304,846	15,949,082	6,693,821	9,047,792
Income (loss) before taxes	(149,174)	576,488	(180,873)	235,732
Income taxes	0	61,000	(4,000)	27,000
Net income (loss)	(149,174)	515,488	(176,873)	208,732
Net income (loss) per share	($.03)	$.12	($.04)	$.05

CONTACT: Mark Tomberlin, CEO of Metalclad Corp., 714-634-9050; or Bruce H. Haglund of Gibson & Haglund, 714-553-8282, for Metalclad Corp.

-30- 3543

#90227p5910 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN MANUEL, AZ (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Magma Copper Co. (AMEX: MCU) announced today that the indexed interest rate on its Copper Interest-Indexed Senior Subordinated Notes due 1998 (AMEX: MCU.c), for the quarterly period ending Nov. 15, 1990, is 16 percent per annum.

Magma Copper Co. is one of the largest producers of refined copper in the United States.

CONTACT: Frank Harris of Magma Copper Co., 602-385-3256 or 602-825-9660

-30- 614

#90227p5912 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Salomon Inc (NYSE: SB) filed today with the Securities and Exchange Commission 12,000,000 units of beneficial interest in the Salomon Phibro Oil Trust (the "trust").

The principal asset of the trust will be a prepaid forward contract between the trust and Phibro Energy Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Salomon Inc, which provides for the delivery to the trust in September

1995 of one-quarter of one barrel of light "sweet" crude oil per trust unit.

The trust units have been approved for listing on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "SPO".

CONTACT: Doug Lake, managing director (investment banking), 212-747-7913, or Kelly Healey, 212-747-4810, both of Salomon Inc

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#90227p5921 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAMILTON, BERMUDA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Sea Containers Ltd. (NYSE: SCR) lessor of specialized marine containers, ferry and ports operator and leisure industry investor, today reported net earnings for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $141.8 million ($25.50 per common share). Revenue from continuing operations was $90.4 million. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net earnings were $315.3 million ($36.89 per common share) and revenue excluding gains on sale of ferry and container assets was $189.1 million. Comparisons with 1989 performance are inappropriate because the company sold major parts of its ferries and container leasing businesses earlier this year. In the second quarter of 1990 the company made a gain on sale of container assets of $130 million after establishing a $15 million provision to compensate for possible dislocations to its container leasing business. A $20 million provision was established in the first quarter against the sale of ferry and port assets. Were it not for these provisions, the gains on these sales would have been $325 million.

James B. Sherwood, president, said that because of the asset sales it was difficult to present the second quarter and six months results in a way which allowed investors to determine the trends. He indicated that profits from the leasing of containers not sold were about the same in the second quarter as in the first quarter and these profits were approximately 50 percent higher than in the first and second quarters of 1989.

Sherwood said that the Middle East crisis could adversely affect the company's ferry profits in the second half of the year by increasing fuel prices, however, due to the recent strengthening of the pound sterling against the U.S. dollar, ferry and port earnings will benefit in dollar terms. The supply lines for many of the forces sent to the Middle East are exceptionally long and he thought container demand might increase because of this.

Sherwood reported that the company's revolutionary SeaCat vessel, Hoverspeed Great Britain, had successfully entered service on Aug. 14 after having been delayed by government authorities which required different fire safety standards than prevail on the company's other high

speed passenger vessels. These new requirements were not anticipated but at least all further units will be built to meet such requirements, thus avoiding any similar delay in the future. The Hoverspeed Great Britain has been awarded the Hales Trophy for the Blue Riband of the North Atlantic by the Hales Trustees after the ship clipped 2 hours and 45 minutes off the speed record on June 23. The U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Museum has behaved in an unsportsmanlike manner by refusing to hand over the trophy, so the Hales Trustees will likely have to take court action later this year to arrange for the trophy's transfer to the company.

CONTACT: Julianne Schindler of Sea Containers America, 212-302-5066, or Victor Beaudet of Manning, Selvage & Lee, 212-213-7076, for Sea Containers America

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#90227p5922 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DODGEVILLE, WI. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Lands' End, Inc. (LE) (NYSE: LE), today reported a loss of $2.2 million, or 12 cents per share, in its second quarter ended Aug. 3, compared with net earnings of $2.2 million, equal to 11 cents per share, for the second quarter last year.

Net sales for the most recent three months totaled $117.1 million, up 12 percent from sales of $104.2 million in the second quarter last year.

For the first six months of the current fiscal year, net sales were $229 million, compared with $212 million during the first half of last year. The first six months this year resulted in a net loss of $0.5 million or 3 cents per share, compared with earnings of $6.9 million or 34 cents per share in the same period a year earlier.

Liquidations of excess inventory totaled about 16 percent of net sales during these second quarter, compared with approximately 10 percent in the same period last year. Gross margin on sales fell to 38.2 percent for the quarter just ended, compared with 41.2 percent in the same period last year, principally due to the greater proportion of sales at less than full catalog price.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased 22 percent to $48.3 million in the second quarter, compared with $39.4 million in the second quarter last year. The increase was principally due to higher variable operating expenses associated with the increased sales volume, greater shipping and handling costs resulting from relatively higher lost sales and backorders, and increases in fixed operating expenses, including higher salaries and depreciation expenses. As a percentage of sales, SG&A was 41.2 percent in fiscal 1991, compared with 37.8 percent in fiscal 1990.

Second quarter ending inventory was $71.3 million, down from $83 million

at the same time last year. Lower inventory balances in the latter part of the quarter were the primary cause of the reduction in the company's borrowing on short-term lines of credit, from $11 million at the beginning of the quarter to a zero balance at the end of the quarter.

In commenting on the results, company president and chief executive officer Richard C. Anderson said that the increased sales included a higher volume of liquidations and regular catalog sales. "The quarter benefited from some improvements in overall customer demand for regular catalog merchandise. This was achieved by an increase in the number of catalogs mailed, a greater number of new product offerings and more aggressive pricing of selected products," said Anderson.

"However, greater than expected demand for some products resulted in higher lost sales (orders for products not currently in stock) and increased backorders. The higher operating costs associated with this demand and the lower gross profit contributed to the earnings loss," said Anderson.

CONTACT: Charlotte LaComb of Lands' End, 312-693-0520

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#90227p5929 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthco International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLCO) today announced that its annual meeting of stockholders is scheduled to be held at 10 a.m. EST on Sept. 6, 1990, at the company's facilities located at 35 Otis St., Westborough, Mass. At the same time, the company also announced that in connection with the annual meeting it has commenced mailing proxy materials today to all stockholders.

Marvin M. Cyker, chairman and chief executive officer of Healthco, stated, "We are again pleased to be holding our annual meeting at Westborough, the first of our 'cluster' locations to be completed. All of Healthco's New England branch operations have been consolidated in Westborough and we are delighted to give stockholders the opportunity to see what we have achieved there. The cluster concept is central to our restructuring effort to maintain Healthco's position as a leader in the dental distribution industry. Once our cluster plans are completed worldwide, we believe Healthco will have a state-of-the-art, full- service dental distribution network."

Healthco International, Inc., headquartered in Boston, is one of the world's leading suppliers and distributors of dental supplies, equipment and services.

CONTACT: Stanley J. Kay or Daniel H. Burch of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for Healthco

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#90227p5932 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
CALGARY, ALBERTA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Asamera Minerals (MONT, TRNT: AUA) today announced the assay results from its surface channel sampling program at the Meliadine River property.

The mineralization has been traced in an easterly direction for 750 feet and remains open at both ends. Samples have been collected at an average interval of 80 feet. The following table details the mineralization encountered from west to east.

Asamera Minerals is presently mobilizing a diamond drill and plans to conduct a minimum 3,300 foot exploration drill program during the third quarter of 1990.

Asamera Minerals is the operator and 50 percent participant with Comaplex Minerals Corp. of Calgary.

Meliadine River is located approximately 12 miles north of Rankin Inlet in the Northwest Territories.

CONTACT: C.M. Langpap of Gulf Canada Resources Limited 403-233-4341

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#90227p5933 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
EDEN PRAIRIE, MN (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation (NASDAQ: CPTC) announced today that it has begun telemarketing personal computers through its subsidiary, CPT-Compeer Corporation.

The operation is based at CPT's Eden Prairie facility and will capitalize upon CPT's 20 years in the office automation business. Kathy Tott has been named as director of the Telemarketing Program. She said, "Our telemarketing program has begun by marketing to the large number of satisfied users of CPT equipment that are in the marketplace. Their experiences with CPT quality products and customer service make them natural customers for these new systems." The telephone number for the telemarketing operation is 800-447-1189.

CPT will continue to market its personal computers and computer systems, such as the CPT Office Dialog System(TM) (ODS)(R), which connects workstations and the CPT Image File(TM) System which provides large storage capabilities using an optical technology, etc., through the established dealers and distributors.

CONTACT: David Priebe of CPT Corporation, 612-949-1728

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#90227p5938 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Avery, Inc. (NASDAQ: AVRY) reported income from continuing operations of $.2 million (less than $.01 per share) for its second quarter ended June 30, 1990, versus a loss of $1.0 million ($.25 per share) for the comparable year earlier period. The company's results from continuing operations primarily consist of investment income on its marketable securities and commercial paper, interest expense and general and administrative expenses. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported a loss from continuing operations of $.4 million ($.01 per share) versus a loss of $2.2 million ($.50 per share) for the comparable year earlier period. The company previously reported a change in its year end from a fiscal year ending Sept. 30 to a calendar year ending Dec. 31.

There was no income or loss from discontinued operations for the current quarter or first half since (i) Uniroyal Chemical Holding Company (UCHC), formerly a wholly owned subsidiary, was sold prior thereto and (ii) losses of Avery Coal Co., Inc. (Avery Coal), a wholly owned subsidiary, were deferred since the company had previously provided for the anticipated costs to liquidate Avery Coal through June 30, 1990, at which time a liquidating trust was established. The loss from discontinued operations for the 1989 first half amounted to $13.8 million, or $1.14 per share, and consisted of $11.0 million of UCHC losses and a provision for the then anticipated additional loss of $2.8 million on the disposal of Avery Coal. The UCHC loss consisted of $18.5 million of interest expense less $4.7 million of investment income and $2.8 million of other income.

The net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990, amounted to $.4 million ($.01 per share) compared to $16.5 million ($1.68 per share) last year. Such loss for the 1989 first half included an extraordinary charge of $.5 million ($.04 per share) associated with the early extinguishment of debt.

The company has working capital of $25.5 million (including cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities of $28.5 million) long-term debt of $12.5 million and stockholders' equity of $13.0 million.

As previously reported, Nelson Peltz and Peter W. May, the company's largest stockholders and its principal executive officers, have offered to acquire all shares of the company's common stock not already owned by them for $.35 per share in cash. The proposal has been referred to a committee of directors of the company.

AVERY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Highlights From Consolidated Financial Statements (A)

(in thousands except per share data)

Periods ended	Quarter		Six months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Income (loss) from continuing operations	$161	$(1,025)	$(438)	$(2,189)
Discontinued operations (A)	--	(4,423)	--	(13,827)
Extraordinary charge (B)	--	--	--	(519)
Net income (loss)	161	(5,448)	(438)	(16,535)
Income (loss) per share (C)				
Continuing operations	--	(.25)	(.01)	(.50)
Discontinued operations (A)	--	(.36)	--	(1.14)
Extraordinary charge (B)	--	--	--	(.04)
Net loss	--	(.61)	(.01)	(1.68)

(A) On Oct. 30, 1989 the company completed the sale of Uniroyal Chemical Holding Company (UCHC), which prior thereto was a wholly owned subsidiary of the company, the direct parent of Uniroyal Chemical Acquisition Corporation (UCAC) and the indirect parent of Uniroyal Chemical Company, Inc. (Uniroyal Chemical) to UCC Investors Holding, Inc. (UCC Investors), an entity formed by certain members of the management of Uniroyal Chemical. The company originally had announced on Jan. 27, 1988, its intention to sell Uniroyal Chemical and subsequently the company changed the entity being held for sale to UCAC effective June 30, 1988, and to UCHC effective June 30, 1989. The results of operations for UCHC for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 1989, have been reclassified to discontinued operations and the results of operations of Uniroyal Chemical and UCAC are excluded from the consolidated statements of operations since the company believed the sale would result in a profit and the sale announcement dates of these entities was prior to Jan. 1, 1989. Additionally, the company since prior to Jan. 1, 1989, has been following a course leading to the disposition of (the disposition) of Avery Coal Co. Inc. (Avery Coal), a wholly owned subsidiary of the company and effective June 30, 1990, the remaining assets and obligations of Avery Coal were transferred to a liquidating trust. The trust will undertake the disposition of the remaining assets and the discharge of the remaining liabilities. In connection with the disposition, the company recorded aggregate losses of $5,348,000 (with no tax benefit) all of which were provided prior to 1990 and of which $700,000 and $2,148,000 were provided in the three and six month periods ended June 30, 1989, respectively. Avery Coal operations (exclusive of the additional provisions for losses anticipated from the dissolution) for the three and six month periods June 30, 1990 and 1989 are excluded from the results of operations.

(B) The extraordinary charge for the six months ended June 30, 1989 represents the writeoff, with no tax benefit, of previously incurred but unamortized financing fees associated with the early extinguishment of debt repurchased at face value during the quarter ended March 31, 1989.

(C) The income (loss) per share is based on the weighted average number of outstanding common shares aggregating 55,365,000 for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 1990 and 12,147,000 for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 1989. The losses for loss per share purposes have been increased by dividend requirements on cumulative preferred shares of $1,979,000 and $3,862,000 for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 1989, respectively. There were no such dividend requirements for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 1990 since all such preferred shares were converted, surrendered as proceeds for the exercise of warrants or redeemed on Oct. 30, 1989.

CONTACT: Curtis S. Gimson, senior vice president and general counsel of Avery, 212-230-3015

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#90227p5939 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Thomas Cook Group was given approval today by the United States Federal Reserve Board to purchase the U.S. retail foreign exchange operations of Deak International Ltd.

The approval clears the way for United Kingdom-based Thomas Cook to acquire Deak International's entire North American retail network, which includes 72 branches in the United States and 38 in Canada. The sale will be finalized today.

Thomas Cook received regulatory approval last month for the acquisition of Deak International's Canadian retail operations. Earlier this year, it acquired 20 Deak International branches in the United Kingdom, as well as a single branch in New Zealand.

"This acquisition makes Thomas Cook the largest retail foreign exchange network in the world," said Peter J. Middleton, chief executive officer of the Thomas Cook Group. "The Deak network, together with Thomas Cook's extensive travel presence in the U.S. and Canada, gives the group a very high retail profile in North America."

For the year ended April 30, 1990, Deak International's retail operations reported revenues of $35 million and year-end assets of $45 million. The operations had previously been owned by Jarden Morgan Ltd., a New Zealand-based financial services firm.

In addition to its foreign exchange services, Deak International is a major retailer of precious metals and travellers cheques. The company's North American retail headquarters is in Toronto.

"Following the completion of the acquisition, the Deak retail foreign exchange operations will be incorporated into our existing network," said

Christopher Rodrigues, chief operating officer of the Thomas Cook Group. "The company will convert to operating as Thomas Cook, harnessing a 149 year-old name that connotes trust and reliability. It will create the first worldwide retail foreign exchange network."

The main business activities of the Thomas Cook Group, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Midland Bank plc of the United Kingdom, are foreign exchange, travellers cheques, leisure travel and business travel management. The company is the world's second largest issuer of travellers cheques and operates 1,600 offices in 120 countries.

CONTACT: Alex McCallum of Alex McCallum & Associates, 212-980-8899, for Thomas Cook

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#90227p5946 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - On Aug. 14, 1990, a Criminal Complaint was filed against Kent A. Borchard in United States District Court for one count of willful failure to file a 1983 United States Federal Income Tax Return with the Internal Revenue Service in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7203.

According to the Criminal Complaint, Attachment 2, Borchard who resides at 775 9th St., Meeker, Colo. did unlawfully, knowingly and willingly fail to timely file a U.S. Individual Income Tax Return for the calendar year 1983. Borchard filed an extension for 1983 which indicated that he was aware of his filing requirement. Additionally he failed to file timely returns from 1978 through 1986. This pattern of nonfiling indicates that Borchard did not make a mistake regarding his 1983 individual income tax return but rather intentionally failed to file that tax return.

According to IRS officials, failure to file income tax returns carries a maximum penalty of $25,000 and/or one year imprisonment. In addition, persons convicted of criminal tax offenses, in addition to any criminal sentence imposed, are required to pay the tax, civil penalties, and interest that are determined to be due.

This case was investigated by Special Agents of the Internal Revenue Service.

CONTACT: Rosemary Campbell of the Inernal Revenue Service, 303-844-3329

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#90227p5947 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - First Executive Corp. (NASDAQ: FEXC), a life insurance holding company, announced that it has declared the

semi-annual dividend on its Series H Cumulative Convertible Preference Stock (NASDAQ: FEXCN) payable on Sept. 30, 1990.

The dividend will be paid in additional shares of Series H Preference stock at a rate of .2919708 shares of Depositary Series H Preference stock for each share of Depositary Series H Preference Stock held on the record date of Sept. 15, 1990. The rate is based on the average of the closing prices of shares of Depositary Series H Preference Stock for the 30 trading days ending Aug. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: William L. Sanders, VP, CFO and treasurer, 213-312-2224, or Merle A. Horst, VP, 213-312-2115, both of First Executive Corp.

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#90227p5948 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - First Executive Corp. (NASDAQ: FEXC), a life insurance holding company, announced that it has declared quarterly cash dividends on its preferred stock as follows:

1. Series E Adjustable Rate Preferred Stock:
$0.53125 per depositary preferred share, payable on
Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990. 2. Series F Cumulative Preferred Stock: $0.71875 per
depositary preferred share payable on Oct. 15, 1990, to
shareholders of record on Oct. 1, 1990. 3. Series G Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock:
$0.390625 per share, payable on Sept. 17, 1990, to
shareholders of record on Aug. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: William L. Sanders, VP, CFO and treasurer, 213-312-2224, or Merle A. Horst, VP, 213-312-2115, both of First Executive Corp.

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#90227p5949 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Bank of New York Company Inc. (NYSE: BK) announced today that the Federal Reserve Board has denied its application to acquire Northeast Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: NBIC). The Bank of New York said that in view of this decision the acquisition cannot proceed.

CONTACT: Michael M. Pascale, VP, Bank of New York Company, 212-495-1041

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#90227p5950 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - On Aug. 15, a limited number of unaffiliated institutional investors agreed to purchase an aggregate of

$19 million of Health Equity Properties Inc. (NYSE: EQP) 14 percent senior subordinated convertible redeemable debentures. A registration statement covering this transaction has previously been declared effective. Settlement of the transaction is anticipated next week. The proceeds will be used primarily for the repayment of debt.

The company announced its intention of declaring a dividend, subject to board approval, of 20 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990 with anticipated dividend growth of one-half cent per quarter for the foreseeable future.

CONTACT: Lisbeth C. Evans or Deborah Sams Kecseti, both of Health Equity Properties, 919-723-7530

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#90227p5951 08/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Health Equity Properties Inc. (NYSE: EQP) completed its first six months of operations for 1990 with revenues of $9,040,920, compared with $9,598,052 for the same period of 1989. The change reflects the company's sale of three properties during 1989. The decrease is also attributed to decrease in interest income due to a reduction in cash reserves and gains recognized in 1989 from the sale of one nursing home.

Net cash flow from operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $3,093,324 (or 85 cents per common share) compared with $3,150,814 (or 87 cents per common share) for the same period of 1989. The change is due to an increase in rents receivable for the six month period ending June 30, 1990. Effective July 1, 1990, the leases of four properties were assigned to a new lessee and operator. The company received a consent fee in cash and notes which approximated the unpaid rent. Since the transaction, net cash flow from operations has stabilized and it is anticipated to increase.

Net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $781,549, compared with net loss before extraordinary items of $820,019 for the same period of 1989. An extraordinary item -- a gain of $492,001 due to the company's assumption of a lease guarantee -- affected the company's net loss for the six month period ending June 30, 1989. The reduction in net loss before extraordinary items is due to a decrease in interest and depreciation expense as a result of the company's 1989 sale of properties.

Based in Winston-Salem, Health Equity Properties owns 76 nursing home facilities with a total of 5,043 beds. The company is managed by a nine member board of directors, five of whom are independent from the company.

CONTACT: Lisbeth C. Evans or Deborah Sams Kecseti, both of Health Equity Properties, 919-723-7580

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#90227u0094 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 15) UPI - Jordan's King Hussein arrives in Washington early Wednesday in advance of a meeting with President Bush Thursday at his summer home in Maine. A Jordanian official who requested anonymity says Hussein is carrying a joint Jordanian-Iraqi peace initiative for Bush to consider. Jordan is caught between demands from the West to enforce the U-N embargo against Iraq and pressure from Baghdad to keep access open for Iraq to Jordan's port of Aqaba on the Red Sea. On Tuesday, Bush said it may be necessary to intercept ships bound for Jordan to sever Iraq's economic lifeline.

The hospital ship U-S-N-S Comfort left port at Norfolk Naval Station in Virginia late Tuesday, en route to the Middle East. The Comfort and its sister ship, Mercy, are the largest floating hospitals in the world. They can provide a wide range of care... including treatment of casualties from chemical warfare. Iraq has chemical weapons and has threatened to use them.

Also leaving Norfolk were the U-S-S Trenton, an amphibious transport dock, and the U-S-S Portland, a dock landing ship. Both were to pick up Marines on Tuesday evening in Morehead City, North Carolina, and take them to the Middle East as part of ''Operation Desert Shield.'' The carrier U-S-S John F. Kennedy battle group is scheduled to leave port Wednesday... although its exact assignment is NOT clear.

The government has unveiled stricter clean-up rules for mining on public land. Under the new policy announced Tuesday by the Interior Department, mine operators will have to post bonds for exploration and mining activity. The bond is designed to ensure that adequate money is available to clean up the sites after the minerals are extracted. But a spokeswoman for Democratic Senator Dale Bumpers of Arkansas says it's NOT enough. Melissa Scolfield says what is needed is total reform of the 1872 federal mining law.

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#90227u0151 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 15) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Baseball

American League
Boston at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.
Minnesota at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.

Toronto at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Milwaukee at Detroit, 8:35 p.m.
Texas at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
Baltimore at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.
New York at California, 10:35 p.m.

National League
Cincinnati at St. Louis, 1:35 p.m.
Houston at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Los Angeles at New York, 7:35 p.m.
San Francisco at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Atlanta at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Montreal at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
Edmonton, Alberta - World Championships

Basketball
Argentina - Men's World Championships

Boxing
Fort Huachuca, Ariz. - U.S. Junior Championships.

Roller Skating
Pensacola, Fla. - U.S. Indoor Speed Championships

Shooting
Moscow - World Championships

Tennis
Indianapolis - Men's $1 million U.S. Men's Hardcourt Championships
Manhattan Beach, Calif. - Women's $350,000 Virginia Slims of Los Angeles
New Haven, Conn. - Men's $1 million Volvo International

Track and Field
Zurich, Switzerland - Weltklasse

Yachting
Holland - 470 World Championships and Tornado Class World Championships

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#90227u0179 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 15) UPI - What a spokesman for New York Mayor David Dinkins calls ''a fairly serious disturbance'' broke out at Rikers Island Tuesday night. At least 45 people were injured. Officials say the melee erupted when more than 700 inmates barricaded themselves in their cells, forcing guards to use teargas. The violence erupted hours after an agreement was reached, ending a two-day blockade of the jail's only bridge by guards. The guards were furious about the beating of a fellow guard by three inmates last

week.

President Bush goes to the Pentagon Wednesday morning for a briefing on the massive U-S military buildup against Iraqi aggression in the Persian Gulf. Bush will also give a pep talk to defense employees and spell out U-S objectives in the gulf. Those objectives includes the safety of as many as three-thousand Americans being held in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. In Baghdad, sources at Iraq's foreign ministry say Iraq has labeled the Americans as ''restrictees'' who WON'T be allowed to leave until the crisis is resolved.

Denver-area voters turned out in larger-than-normal numbers for a primary election Tuesday to approve a sales tax increase to finance a major league baseball stadium. The one-tenth of one percent hike WON'T be enacted, however, unless the city gets a franchise. Also in Colorado Tuesday, former Boulder County Commissioner Josie Heath won the Democratic nomination for the Senate. She'll face Republican Congressman Hank Brown in November in a bid to succeed G-O-P Senator William Armstrong, who is retiring.

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#90227u0181 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 15) UPI - The 32-year-old son of Marlon Brando is expected to be freed from jail Wednesday. A judge in Santa Monica, California, Tuesday accepted the actor's four-Million-dollar estate as bail for Christian Brando... who is charged with the May 16th shooting death of his half-sister's boyfriend. Prosecutors have charged that the killing was pre-mediated. Christian Brando has said it was accidental.

A state appellate court in Ohio says locker room nudity is O-K. The courtreversed the public indecency conviction of Jack Emsuer, a high school coach at Preble-Shawnee High School in Preble County, who met with some of his students while wearing only a towel that later fell off. The court ruled that an ordinary observer probably would NOT be offended by nudity in a men's locker room.

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#90227u0203 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - The average American family with employed mothers paid $49 per week for child care, according to the latest Census Bureau survey, which also showed Wednesday that child care is a $15.5 billion annual industry.

The 1987 Census figures disclosed that 29 million children of employed mothers were enrolled in child care programs. The cost of such programs increased $8 over the previous survey year, 1984-85, the Census Bureau

said.

Other key survey findings showed:

-Most children of preschool age with employed mothers were cared for in a home environment, while their mothers were at work. Thirty percent were cared for in their own homes.

-Weekly child care costs were $57 in the Northeast and $43 in the South.

-Seven percent of employed mothers experienced a work disruption caused by the failure of a child care arrangement.

-Children living in poverty were more likely to be cared for in their own homes by grandparents and other relatives while their mothers were at work.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	63	52	.548	-	36-18	27-34	6-4	W-1
Toronto	62	55	.530	2	32-29	30-26	6-4	W-2
Baltimore	56	59	.487	7	26-26	30-33	3-7	L-1
Cleveland	54	62	.466	9 1/2	30-29	24-33	5-5	L-2
Detroit	54	64	.458	10 1/2	26-31	28-33	3-7	L-1
Milwaukee	49	65	.430	13 1/2	24-32	25-33	4-6	W-1
New York	46	69	.400	17	23-29	23-40	5-5	L-5
West								
Oakland	74	43	.632	-	39-22	35-21	7-3	L-1
Chicago	66	47	.584	6	33-26	33-21	4-6	L-3
Texas	59	57	.509	14 1/2	31-24	28-33	3-7	L-2
Seattle	59	58	.504	15	31-33	28-25	4-6	W-1
Kansas City	57	59	.491	16 1/2	33-27	24-32	8-2	W-3
California	57	60	.487	17	31-30	26-30	6-4	W-2
Minnesota	55	61	.474	18 1/2	29-30	26-31	5-5	W-2

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(AUG. 15) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	66	48	.579	-	33-22	33-26	5-5	W-2
New York	65	48	.575	1/2	39-21	26-27	4-6	L-1

Montreal	61	54	.530	5 1/2	33-23	28-31	6-4	W-6
Chicago	56	60	.483	11	29-30	27-30	7-3	W-1
Philadel.	53	60	.469	12 1/2	27-28	26-32	3-7	W-1
St. Louis	54	62	.466	13	27-33	27-29	7-3	L-1
West								
Cincinnati	67	47	.588	-	35-20	32-27	6-4	W-3
San Fran.	60	55	.522	7 1/2	30-24	30-31	3-7	L-3
Los Angeles	59	56	.513	8 1/2	32-24	27-32	6-4	W-1
San Diego	54	60	.474	13	28-31	26-29	7-3	L-1
Houston	50	66	.431	18	35-25	15-41	5-5	L-1
Atlanta	43	72	.374	24 1/2	25-34	18-38	3-7	L-2

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - Iraq said an estimated 3,000 Americans stranded in Iraq and occupied Kuwait were being prevented from leaving and no timetable has been set for their departure.

ABC News, quoting sources in Iraq's foreign ministry in Baghdad, said Tuesday that Iraq has now classified Americans in Iraq and Kuwait as ''restrictees'' who will not be allowed to leave until the crisis in the Persian Gulf is resolved.

There were an estimated 2,500 Americans in Kuwait and another 500 to 600 U.S. citizens in Iraq who have been stranded since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said he was unfamiliar with the report and could not comment on it.

Border officials said more than 200 foreigners had entered Jordan across the Iraqi border Tuesday. No Americans were reported among them. The officials said thousands of people were on the Iraqi side waiting to cross.

In Baghdad, U.S. businessman Bob Vinton told ABC he and many other Americans can move about freely in Iraq but ''there's been no indication that we can go home at any time.''

Vinton added it was his understanding the 38 Americans being detained in a Baghdad hotel are being allowed ''complete freedom'' within the facility.

''They're not really in contact with other Americans. I think only through Iraqi officials can they talk to anybody.''

Haitham al Najjar, first secretary of the Iraqi Embassy in Washington, confirmed that Americans were not being allowed to leave Iraq and Kuwait

and gave no timetable for their release.

''This is true, but it is not a new development. We have been saying since the beginning of the crisis that they can't leave because we are responsible for their safety and only diplomats are now able to go,'' Haitham said in an interview with United Press International.

''They are not prisoners and not hostages,'' he said, but added, ''They are not being allowed to leave at the present time due to the exceptional circumstances. The government might issue some instructions for these foreigners to leave, but that depends on the situation. They will be able to leave when it is possible to do so.

''We can assure you they are living happily, comfortably and in peace and are being visited by the U.S. charge d' affaires in Baghdad,'' Haitham said.

The Iraqi diplomat also said the fate of the Americans was not necessarily tied to Thursday's scheduled meeting between President Bush and Jordan's King Hussein at the president's vacation home in Maine.

Hussein, assuming the role of mediator in the conflict, is said to be carrying a peace initiative from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

''There is no connection between a possible government decision to allow foreigners to leave and King Hussein's visit,'' Haitham said. ''Iraq can make a decision at any time.''

ABC News correspondent Ted Koppel, reporting from Baghdad, said he asked a Foreign Ministry official in the Iraqi capital whether the Americans were being held hostage.

''It is not a word that the Iraqis like to use, but the official conceded to me that even though all of the Americans he said were being well treated and well-housed and that they are in no immediate danger, nevertheless they were not free to leave,'' Koppel said.

''He called them restrictees and made the point that their exit from Iraq was going to be restricted until this crisis is over.''

In Bangkok, a Thai official said Wednesday that Iraq has agreed to allow Thai workers in Kuwait to return home through Jordan. Siri Keiwalinsrit, director general of the Thai Labor Department, said Iraq will allow the first 1,200 of some 7,000 Thai workers in Kuwait to leave ''by the end of this month.''

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(AUG. 15) UPI - NL BOX SCORES

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Yelding cf	5	0	1	0	Dascenzo cf	4	1	2	1
Doran 2b	3	0	1	0	Sandberg 2b	3	1	1	3
Biggio c	4	1	1	0	Grace 1b	4	0	0	0
Stubbs 1b	4	0	2	0	Dawson rf	4	0	2	0
Caminiti 3b	3	1	1	0	Clark lf	3	0	0	0
Davidson rf	3	0	0	0	Wynne cf	1	0	0	0
Rhodes ph	0	0	0	0	Salazar 3b	4	2	2	1
GWilson rf	1	0	0	0	Long p	0	0	0	0
Candaele lf	2	0	1	2	Dunston ss	3	1	1	0
Ramirez ss	3	0	0	0	Girardi c	3	0	1	0
Scott p	2	0	0	0	Maddux p	3	0	0	0
Oberkfell ph	1	0	0	0	Williams p	0	0	0	0
Andersen p	0	0	0	0	Ramos 3b	0	0	0	0
Agosto p	0	0	0	0					
Fisher p	0	0	0	0					
Nichols ph	0	0	0	0					
Totals	31	2	7	2	Totals	32	5	9	5

Houston 000 200 000- 2
Chicago 010 002 20x- 5

E-Ramirez, Andersen. DP-Houston 1, Chicago 1. LOB-Houston 9, Chicago 5. 2B-Doran, Dunston, Yelding. HR- Salazar (11), Sandberg (28). SB-Biggio (23), Dascenzo (8), Dawson (13). S- Ramirez, Dunston. SF-Sandberg.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Scott (L 9-11)	6	5	3	3	0	3
Andersen	2-3	3	2	1	0	1
Agosto	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Fisher	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Chicago						
Maddux (W 10-10) 7	2-3	7	2	2	4	4
Williams	2-3	0	0	0	2	0
Long (S 4)	2-3	0	0	0	0	0

T-2:39. A-34,843.

Umpires-Home, Darling; 1b, Froemming; 2b, Pulli; 3b, Rippley.

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First Game

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Harris 2b	4	1	3	4	Miller 2b	3	1	0	0
Hatcher ph	1	0	0	0	O'Malley 3b	1	0	1	0
Gibson cf	5	2	2	0	Magadan 1b	4	1	1	0
Daniels lf	4	0	0	0	Jefferies 2b	5	2	2	1
Murray 1b	4	0	1	3	Strawbrry rf	3	1	1	1
Brooks rf	4	1	1	1	McRynlds lf	2	1	0	1
Scioscia c	1	1	0	0	Johnson ss	4	2	3	4
Javier ph	1	0	0	0	Boston cf	4	1	2	1
Dempsey c	0	0	0	0	Sasser c	3	0	1	1
Samuel 2b	3	1	0	0	Gooden p	2	0	0	0
Walsh p	0	0	0	0	Ojeda p	0	0	0	0
Griffin ss	4	2	2	0	Torve ph	1	0	1	0
Martinez p	1	0	0	0	Franco p	0	0	0	0
Crews p	0	0	0	0					
Searage p	0	0	0	0					
Gwynn ph	1	0	0	0					
Gott p	0	0	0	0					
Sharpersn 3b	1	0	0	0					
Totals	34	8	9	8	Totals	32	9	12	9

Los Angeles 221 002 100- 8
New York 400 050 00x- 9

DP-Los Angeles 1. LOB-Los Angeles 3, New York 6. 2B-Jefferies, Johnson 2, Sasser, Griffin, Gibson, Torve. HR-Johnson (18), Brooks (16). SB-Gibson (14), Samuel (35). S-Martinez, Gooden. SF-McReynolds.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Martinez (L 15-5)	4 1-3	5	7	7	3	2
Crews	1-3	1	1	1	0	0
Searage	1-3	2	1	1	0	0
Gott	2	4	0	0	1	2
Walsh	1	0	0	0	0	0
New York						
Gooden (W 12-6)	5 2-3	8	7	7	3	5
Ojeda	2 1-3	1	1	1	0	1
Franco (S 26)	1	0	0	0	0	1

Gott pitched to 2 batters in the 8th.

HBP-by Martinez (Sasser). Balk- Martinez. T-3:38.

Umpires-Home, Hohn; 1b, Rennert; 2b, Bonin; 3b, Tata.

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Second Game

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Harris 3b	3	0	0	1	Boston cf	4	0	1	0
Javier cf	4	0	0	0	Magadan 1b	3	0	1	0
Gwynn lf	4	0	0	0	Jefferies 2b	4	0	1	0
Murray 1b	4	1	2	0	Strawbrry rf	4	1	1	1
Brooks rf	3	0	0	0	McRynlds lf	3	0	0	0
Gonzalez rf	0	0	0	0	Johnson ss	3	0	0	0
Dempsey c	2	0	1	1	O'Malley 3b	3	0	0	0
Samuel 2b	3	0	0	0	Mercado c	2	0	1	0
Sharpersn ss	3	1	1	0	Torve ph	1	0	1	0
Griffin ss	0	0	0	0	Whitehurst p	0	0	0	0
Hartley p	1	0	0	0	Cone p	2	0	0	0
Walsh p	0	0	0	0	Sasser c	1	0	0	0
Crews p	0	0	0	0					
Gibson ph	1	0	0	0					
Howell p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	28	2	4	2	Totals	30	1	6	1

Los Angeles 000 001 100- 2
New York 000 000 100- 1

E-Jefferies. DP-Los Angeles 2, New York 2. LOB-Los Angeles 2, New York 5. 2B-Sharperson, Murray, Boston. HR- Strawberry (27). SB-Johnson (27), Harris (12). S-Hartley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Hartley (W 4-1)	6	2	0	0	3	2
Walsh	0	1	1	1	0	0
Crews	1	0	0	0	0	0
Howell (S 9)	2	3	0	0	0	1
New York						
Cone (L 8-6)	8	4	2	2	2	8
Whitehurst	1	0	0	0	0	0

Walsh pitched to 1 batter in the 7th.

WP-Cone. Balk-Cone. T-2:39. A- 46,004.

Umpires-Home, Rennert; 1b, Bonin; 2b, Tata; 3b, Hohn.

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First Game

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
McDowell lf	4	0	1	0	Cangelosi cf	4	0	1	0
Treadway 2b	4	0	0	0	JBell ss	4	0	1	0
Gant cf	4	0	0	0	Redus 1b	3	2	1	0
Justice rf	4	1	1	1	Bream 1b	1	0	1	0
Gregg 1b	3	0	1	0	Bonilla rf	4	1	3	2
Whitt c	4	0	2	0	Bonds lf	3	0	0	0
Blauser ss	3	0	0	0	King 3b	3	0	2	1
Lemke 3b	3	0	0	0	Slaught c	2	0	0	0
Leibrandt p	2	0	0	0	Lind 2b	3	0	0	0
LSmith ph	1	0	1	0	Drabek p	3	0	0	0
Clary p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	32	1	6	1	Totals	30	3	9	3

Atlanta 000 000 001- 1
Pittsburgh 000 201 00x- 3

DP-Atlanta 3. LOB-Atlanta 5, Pitts- burgh 6. 3B-Redus. HR-Bonilla (24), Justice (16). SB-King (2).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Leibrandt (L 4-7)	7	7	3	3	2	3
Clary	1	2	0	0	0	0
Pittsburgh						
Drabek (W 15-5)	9	6	1	1	1	2

HBP-by Leibrandt (Bonds). T-2:32.

Umpires-Home, Winters; 1b, Davis; 2b, Runge; 3b, Rapuano.

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Second Game

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
LSmith lf	4	0	1	1	Cangelosi cf	3	0	0	0
Blauser ss	4	0	0	0	JBell ss	3	1	1	0
Gant cf	4	0	1	0	Redus 1b	1	2	0	0
Presley 3b	4	1	0	0	Bream 1b	1	0	1	0
Cabrera 1b	3	1	1	1	Bonilla rf	4	1	1	2
Justice ph	1	0	0	0	Bonds lf	2	1	0	0
Vatcher rf	4	1	1	1	King 3b	4	1	2	4
Olson c	3	1	1	1	Lind 2b	4	0	0	0

Lemke 2b	3	0	0	0	LaValliere c	3	0	0	0
Avery p	1	0	0	0	Smith p	3	0	1	0
Luecken p	1	0	0	0	Belinda p	1	0	0	0
Treadwy ph	1	0	0	0	Patterson p	0	0	0	0
Grant p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	33	4	5	4	Totals	29	6	6	6

Atlanta 001 010 200- 4
Pittsburgh 402 000 00x- 6

E-Lemke, King. DP-Atlanta 1. LOB-Atlanta 2, Pittsburgh 6. 2B-Olson, King. 3B-Vatcher, Cabrera. HR-Bonilla (24), King (5).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Avery (L 2-7)	2 2-3	3	6	4	4	3
Luecken	4 1-3	3	0	0	3	4
Grant	1	0	0	0	0	0
Pittsburgh						
Smith (W 7-7)	7 1-3	4	4	3	0	6
Belinda	1	1	0	0	0	0
Patterson (S 3)	2-3	0	0	0	0	2

T-2:14. A-25,542.

Umpires-Home, Davis; 1b, Runge; 2b, Rapuano; 3b, Winters.

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SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Parker cf	4	0	0	0	Dykstra cf	4	1	1	1
Butler cf	2	0	1	0	Daulton c	6	0	2	0
Anderson 2b	6	1	3	0	VHayes lf	6	1	3	0
Clark 1b	6	0	2	2	Murphy rf	4	0	1	1
Mitchell lf	4	0	0	0	Kruk 1b	6	0	2	1
Brantley p	0	0	0	0	Herr 2b	4	0	0	0
Riles ph	0	0	0	0	Booker 2b	3	1	1	0
Oliveras p	0	0	0	0	CHayes 3b	7	0	0	0
Bathe ph	1	0	0	0	Thon ss	4	1	1	0
Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0	Combs p	2	0	0	0
Williams 3b	5	0	0	0	Ready ph	0	0	0	0
Litton rf	5	0	0	0	Boever p	0	0	0	0
Carter c	5	1	0	0	Campusn ph	1	0	0	0
Uribe ss	5	0	2	1	McDowell p	0	0	0	0
LaCoss p	3	1	1	0	Martinez ph	1	0	1	0
Thurmond p	0	0	0	0	Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0

Kingery lf	2	0	0	0	Cook p	1	0	0	0
					Hollins ph	0	0	0	0
Totals	48	3	9	3	Totals	49	4	12	3

Two out when winning run scored

San Francisco	010 020 000 000	0- 3
Philadelphia	101 000 001 000	1- 4

E-CHayes, Uribe 2, Thurmond, McDowell. DP-Philadelphia 2. LOB-San Francisco 7, Philadelphia 20. 2B- Daulton, LaCoss. 3B-Clark, VHayes. SB -Thon (9), Booker (1). S-Daulton. SF- Murphy.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
LaCoss	6 1-3	4	2	2	4	2
Thurmond	1	0	0	0	0	1
Brantley	2 2-3	4	1	1	4	3
Oliveras	2	3	0	0	2	3
Bedrosian (L 5-7)	2-3	1	1	1	1	0
Philadelphia						
Combs	7	7	3	2	0	6
Boever	2	0	0	0	0	2
McDowell	1	1	0	0	0	0
Akerfelds	2	0	0	0	1	0
Cook (W 8-2)	1	1	0	0	0	0

WP-LaCoss, Bedrosian. T-4:28. A- 29,538.

Umpires-Home, DeMuth; 1b, Gregg; 2b, Crawford; 3b, Hallion.

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CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Davis cf	4	0	0	0	Coleman lf	4	2	0	0
O'Neill rf	5	2	2	1	Smith ss	4	1	1	0
Larkin ss	4	1	1	1	McGee cf	4	0	3	2
Benzinger lf	5	1	2	3	Guerrero 1b	3	0	1	0
Morris 1b	4	1	2	1	Collins 1b	1	0	0	0
Sabo 3b	5	1	1	1	Zeile c	4	0	1	0
Reed c	4	1	2	1	Pendleton 3b	4	1	1	0
Duncan 2b	5	1	2	0	Hudler rf	3	0	0	0
Armstrong p	1	1	0	0	Oquendo 2b	2	0	0	1
Mahler p	1	0	0	0	DiPino p	0	0	0	0
					Terry p	1	0	0	0
					DeLeon p	1	0	0	0
					Sherrill p	0	0	0	0

					Walling ph	1	0	0	0
					Niedenfuer p	0	0	0	0
					Jones 2b	2	0	1	0
Totals	38	9	12	8	Totals	34	4	8	3

Cincinnati 400 400 100- 9
St. Louis 100 001 101- 4

E-Morris, Pendleton, Jones. DP-Cincinnati 1, St. Louis 1. LOB-Cincinnati 9 St. Louis 9. 2B-O'Neill, Benzinger. 3B-McGee, Sabo. SB-Coleman (60), Smith (24). S-Armstrong 2. SF-McGee.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Armstrong (W 12-8)	6	5	2	1	3	4
Mahler (S 3)	3	3	2	2	1	1
St. Louis						
DeLeon (L 6-12)	3 1-3	7	8	8	2	4
Sherrill	2-3	2	0	0	0	0
Niedenfuer	2	1	0	0	1	0
DiPino	1-3	2	1	1	0	0
Terry	2 2-3	0	0	0	1	1

HBP-by Armstrong (Hudler), by DiPino (Armstrong). WP-Armstrong 2.
Balk-Armstrong. T-3:11. A-36,552.

Umpires-Home, Williams; 1b, Montague; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, Davidson.

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MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
DeShields 2b	3	2	1	0	Roberts lf	4	0	2	2
Nixon cf	4	2	4	4	Alomar 2b	3	0	1	0
Raines lf	4	0	1	1	Gwynn rf	4	0	0	0
Wallach 3b	4	0	1	1	Carter cf	4	0	0	0
Galarrag 1b	3	1	0	0	Santiago c	4	1	1	0
Grissom rf	4	1	1	0	Stephensn 1b	4	0	0	0
Fitzgerald c	4	0	1	1	Pagliarul 3b	4	1	0	0
Owen ss	2	2	0	1	Templetn ss	3	1	1	1
DeMartinz p	3	0	0	0	Rasmussn p	1	0	0	0
					Show p	1	0	0	0
					Lampkin ph	1	0	0	0
					Benes p	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	8	9	8	Totals	33	3	5	3

Montreal 101 300 003- 8
San Diego 030 000 000- 3

E-Owen, DeShields. DP-San Diego 2. LOB-Montreal 6, San Diego 4. 2B-Roberts 2. 3B-DeShields. HR-Nixon (1). SB-Grissom (15), Nixon (36). S-Alomar, DeMartinez. SF-Wallach.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
DeMartinez (W 9-8)	9	5	3	1	0	9
San Diego						
Rasmussn (L 8-11)	3 2-3	5	5	5	4	0
Show	3 1-3	2	0	0	2	4
Benes	2	2	3	3	2	1

T-3:07. A-15,855.

Umpires-Home, Wendelstedt; 1b, West; 2b, Barnes; 3b, Marsh.

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MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Gladden lf	5	0	1	1	Cole cf	4	0	1	2
Newman 2b	5	0	2	0	Browne 2b	4	0	0	0
Puckett cf	5	1	3	0	Webster 1b	4	1	2	0
Gaetti 3b	5	0	0	0	Maldonado lf	4	0	0	1
Harper c	4	2	1	0	CJames dh	4	0	1	0
Hrbek 1b	4	2	2	2	Jacoby 3b	3	1	0	0
Castillo dh	3	0	1	0	Snyder rf	4	0	1	0
Bush dh	1	0	0	0	Alomar c	3	1	0	1
Mack rf	2	0	1	0	Fermin ss	3	1	3	0
Moses rf	1	0	0	0	DiJames ph	1	0	0	0
Gagne ss	3	0	0	1					
Totals	38	5	11	4	Totals	34	4	8	4

Minnesota 022 010 000- 5
Cleveland 000 021 001- 4

E-Gaetti, Snyder, Webster. DP- Minnesota 2. LOB-Minnesota 8, Cleveland 5. 2B-Fermin, Snyder. HR-Hrbek (18). SB-Puckett (4).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Minnesota						
Guthrie (W 4-5)	7	7	3	3	1	2
Berenguer	1 1-3	0	1	1	1	1
Aguilera (S 25)	2-3	1	0	0	0	0

Cleveland						
Black (L 10-8)	5	10	5	3	2	4
Olin	4	1	0	0	0	1

WP-Black, Guthrie 2. T-2:41. A- 11,270.

Umpires-Home, Joyce; 1b, Barnett; 2b, Roe; 3b, Morrison.

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TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Felix lf	4	2	1	0	Bradley lf	4	0	0	0
Fernandz ss	2	3	2	0	Johnson cf	3	0	0	0
Sojo ss	2	0	0	0	Calderon dh	4	1	2	0
Gruber 3b	4	2	3	3	Pasqua rf	4	1	1	0
Mulliniks 3b	1	0	0	0	Fisk c	3	0	0	0
Bell dh	2	1	2	3	Karkovice c	1	1	1	1
McGriff 1b	4	1	2	1	Thomas 1b	3	1	2	1
Olerud 1b	1	0	0	0	Ventura 3b	3	0	1	0
Borders c	3	0	1	1					
Wilson cf	4	0	0	0					
Totals	34	12	14	12	Totals	32	4	7	4

Toronto	211 040 400- 12
Chicago	000 000 004- 4

E-Stottlemyre, Thomas. DP-Toronto 1, Chicago 4. LOB-Toronto 3, Chicago 6. 2B-Calderon, Borders, Bell. 3B-Hill, Gruber. HR-McGriff (27), Hill (12). SB -Hill (7). SF-Bell 3, Lee, Guillen.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Stottlemyre (W 11-13)	7	2	0	0	3	5
MacDonald	1	0	0	0	1	0
Acker	1	5	4	4	0	1
Chicago						
Hibbard (L 9-7)	3	5	4	4	3	0
Peterson	4	8	8	8	1	1
Radinsky	1	0	0	0	0	3
Patterson	1	1	0	0	0	0

Hibbard pitched to 2 batters in the 4th.

T-2:46. A-24,314.

Umpires-Home, Scott; 1b, Reilly; 2b, Garcia; 3b, Voltaggio.

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MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 2b	3	1	1	0	Whitaker 2b	4	1	3	0
Surhoff c	5	1	2	0	Phillips 3b	4	1	3	0
Sheffield 3b	4	2	3	2	Trammell ss	5	1	1	1
DParker dh	4	1	2	1	Fielder 1b	2	0	0	0
Yount cf	5	0	0	0	Fryman pr	0	0	0	0
Deer rf	4	2	3	2	Sheets dh	1	0	0	0
Brock 1b	3	0	1	0	Coles dh	2	0	0	0
Gantner 2b	1	0	1	0	Bergman dh	2	0	0	0
Hamilton lf	1	0	1	0	Moseby cf	3	1	0	0
Felder lf	3	0	0	2	Ward lf	4	1	2	2
Spiers ss	3	0	0	0	Lusader lf	0	0	0	0
Vaughn ph	1	0	0	0	Shelby rf	3	1	0	0
Diaz ss	1	0	0	0	Salas c	4	0	1	3
Totals	38	7	14	7	Totals	34	6	10	6

Milwaukee	102 001 012- 7
Detroit	600 000 000- 6

DP-Milwaukee 2, Detroit 1. LOB- Milwaukee 11, Detroit 9. 2B-Salas, Whitaker, DParker. HR-Deer (21), Sheffield (9). SB-Whitaker (7). SF-Sheffield, Felder.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Knudson	2-3	3	6	6	3	0
Lee	2 1-3	4	0	0	2	3
Veres	3	2	0	0	2	1
Crim (W 3-4)	2 2-3	1	0	0	1	0
Plesac (S 17)	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Detroit						
JRobinson	2 2-3	6	3	3	2	1
Gibson	4	4	1	1	0	1
Henneman	1-3	2	1	1	0	0
Gleaton (L 1-3)	1	1	2	2	2	0
JParker	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Tanana	2-3	1	0	0	1	0

Henneman pitched to 2 batters in the 8th, Gleaton pitched to 2 batters in the 9th.

WP-JRobinson, Veres. PB-Salas. Balk-Gleaton. T-3:37. A-17,557.

Umpires-Home, Brinkman; 1b, Reed; 2b, Cooney; 3b, Tschida.

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TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
Pettis cf	3	0	1	0	Seitzer 3b	4	0	0	0
Franco 2b	2	0	0	0	Pecota ss	2	0	0	0
Kunkel 2b	1	0	0	0	Stillwell ss	1	0	0	0
Palmeiro 1b	4	0	0	0	Brett 1b	3	0	0	0
Sierra rf	4	0	0	0	Tartabull dh	3	0	1	0
Baines dh	3	0	2	0	Tabler rf	3	0	1	0
Incaviglia lf	4	0	0	0	Jeltz rf	0	0	0	0
Petralli c	4	0	3	0	Eisenrech rf	1	1	1	1
Buechele 3b	4	0	0	0	Wilson lf	3	0	0	0
Huson ss	4	0	1	0	Macfarlan c	2	0	0	0
Moyer p	0	0	0	0	White 2b	3	0	0	0
Mielke p	0	0	0	0	McRae cf	2	0	0	0
					McGaffign p	0	0	0	0
					Farr p	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	0	7	0	Totals	27	1	3	1

Texas 000 000 000- 0
Kansas City 000 000 001- 1

E-Huson. DP-Texas 1. LOB-Texas 11, Kansas City 7. 2B-Tartabull, Tabler. HR-Eisenreich (3). SB-Pettis (28), Franco (21), Pecota (8). S-Pettis.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Moyer	7	2	0	0	4	2
Mielke (L 0-2)	1	1	1	1	1	0
Kansas City						
McGaffigan	6	4	0	0	4	1
Farr (W 9-5)	3	3	0	0	0	4

T-2:47. A-26,887.

Umpires-Home, Young; 1b, Kaiser; 2b, Johnson; 3b, McKean.

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BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Gallagher lf	4	0	2	0	Reynolds 2b	3	1	1	0
Finley rf	4	0	0	0	Schaefer 2b	2	0	0	0
Devereax cf	2	1	0	0	Briley rf	3	3	2	3
CRipken ss	1	0	0	0	Griffey cf	5	1	3	1
McKnight ss	1	0	0	0	Davis dh	4	1	2	0
Tettleton dh	3	0	1	0	Leonard lf	3	1	1	1
Hulett 3b	4	0	1	1	Cotto lf	1	0	0	0
Melvin c	4	0	0	0	O'Brien 1b	4	0	1	0
Hoiles 1b	4	0	0	0	Martinez 3b	2	0	0	0
Gonzales 2b	3	0	1	0	Brumley 2b	1	0	1	0
					Bradley c	2	0	1	1
					Vizquel ss	4	0	1	1
Totals	30	1	5	1	Totals	34	7	13	7

Baltimore 000 000 001- 1
Seattle 204 100 00x- 7

E-Bradley. DP-Baltimore 3, Seattle 2. LOB-Baltimore 7, Seattle 9. 2B-Reynolds, Bradley, Griffey, Leonard, Brumley. HR-Briley 2 (5). S-Devereaux.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
DJohnson (L 11-8)	2 1-3	6	4	4	0	0
Ballard	3 2-3	6	3	3	4	1
Schilling	2	1	0	0	2	0
Seattle						
Young (W 6-12)	9	5	1	1	4	3

T-2:29. A-11,239.

Umpires-Home, Denkinger; 1b, Shulock; 2b, McClelland; 3b, Merrill.

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NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
Kelly cf	5	2	4	1	Polonia lf	4	2	3	4
Sax 2b	5	1	1	0	Hill 2b	3	1	1	0
Azocar lf	5	0	1	0	Davis dh	3	1	1	3
Balboni dh	4	0	2	2	Winfield rf	4	0	0	0
Hall dh	1	0	0	0	Stevens 1b	4	1	0	0
Maas 1b	3	0	1	1	Parrish c	2	2	0	0
Barfield rf	3	0	0	0	White cf	3	1	1	2
Leyritz 3b	4	1	1	1	Anderson 3b	3	0	0	0
Geren c	3	1	1	0	Schofield ss	2	1	0	0

Nokes c	1	0	0	0					
Espinoza ss	4	0	1	0					
Totals	38	5	12	5	Totals	28	9	6	9

New York	102	101	000-	5
California	040	050	00x-	9

E-Anderson, Leary. DP-New York 1. LOB-New York 8, California 3. 2B- Kelly, Maas, Polonia. HR-Polonia (2), Leyritz (4), Davis (12), White (9). SB-Kelly (26). S-White, Hill.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Leary (L 6-15)	4 2-3	5	9	6	4	7
Robinson	1 1-3	1	0	0	1	1
Plunk	2	0	0	0	0	4
California						
Abbott (W 8-10)	5 2-3	11	5	5	0	2
Fraser (S 1)	3 1-3	1	0	0	2	0

HBP-by Leary (Parrish). WP-Leary. T-2:47. A-27,937.

Umpires-Home, McCoy; 1b, Phillips; 2b, Cousins; 3b, Hirschbeck.

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#90227u0338 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... U-P-I has the latest news.

Jordan's King Hussein arrived in Washington this morning, bringing with him a joint Iraqi-Jordanian peace plan to end the Persian Gulf crisis. Hussein is to meet with President Bush at the president's vacation home in Kennebunkport, Maine, tomorrow. Bush returns to Maine this afternoon after several high-level meetings in Washington.

Iraq says an estimated three-thousand Americans stranded in Iraq and occupied Kuwait are NOT being allowed to leave and there is NO timetable for their departure. A broadcast report quotes Iraqi foreign ministry sources as saying the Americans have been classified as ''restrictees'' who will NOT be allowed to leave until the crisis is resolved.

Two wildfires in Oregon's Malheur National Forest continue to burn out of control after hot, gusty winds added fuel to the flames yesterday. The Oregon fires together have blackened more than 20-thousand acres.

Firefighters have made progress against several other fires burning in Western states.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry says he'll run for a seat on the City Council as an independent. The mayor says he reached the decision ''after prayerful consideration'' and discussion with his family. Barry says a fourth mayoral term would be too divisive following his trial on cocaine and perjury charges.

President Bush says Congress is to blame for the budget stalemate and yesterday angrily challenged Democrats on Capitol Hill to make one full proposal at the budget summit. Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine says the president's criticism was ''NOT accurate or helpful.''

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#90227u0349 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - A former Northwest Airlines co-pilot testified in Minneapolis yesterday that he did split six pitchers of beer with a cockpit crew member the night before an early flight. But Robert Kirchner says he did NOT fly while intoxicated or violate an F-A-A rule barring pilots from consuming alcohol within eight hours of a flight.

Officials at New York's Rikers Island prison say more than 45 people were injured last night when about 700 inmates barricaded themselves in their cells, forcing prison guards to use tear gas. The violence erupted hours after an agreement was reached with guards furious about last week's beating death of a fellow corrections officer by inmates.

The woman whose romantic affairs with clergy members have caused an uproar in Atlanta's Roman Catholic community has been hospitalized. Vicki Long's physician says the 27-year-old woman is undergoing tests for abdominal pain. Long reportedly had a two-year affair with Catholic Archbishop Eugene Marino, who has resigned.

NASA officials say astronomers are ready to begin critical tests this week to determine the full scientific capabilities of the Hubble Space Telescope. The one-point-five-BILLION-dollar space observatory has an optical flaw, but has captured clearer than expected images that have left astronomers hopeful.

The latest Census Bureau survey finds the average American family with a mother working outside the home spends 49-dollars per week for child care. Figures from the 1987 Census indicate average weekly child care costs are more expensive in the Northeast at 57-dollars a week and most economical in the South at 43-dollars a week.

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#90227u0356 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 15) UPI - The Pittsburgh Pirates went down to the cellar to get back on top.

The Pirates rebounded from a five-game skid Tuesday and swept the last-place Atlanta Braves 3-1 and 6-4, regaining first place in the National League East by a half-game.

In the first game, Doug Drabek fired a six-hitter and Bobby Bonilla went 3 for 4 including a two-run homer. Bonilla capped the night with his 25th homer on the year and extended his hitting streak to 13 games.

''It was a pretty good day for the team to be able to win a couple of games,'' Bonilla said. ''We were able to get the lead early, which is something we have to do and go from there.

Drabek, 15-5, carried a shutout into the ninth inning before giving up a home run to Dave Justice. Drabek tied his career high for wins in a season by pitching his fifth complete game.

Atlanta starter Charlie Leibrandt, 4-7, allowed three runs and seven hits over seven innings.

In the nightcap, Jeff King drove home four runs with a homer and a double and Zane Smith won his first game for Pittsburgh, leading the Pirates to a 6-4 victory.

Smith, 7-7, allowed four runs, three earned, and four hits over 7 1-3 innings. Bob Patterson got the final two outs for his third save.

Atlanta starter Steve Avery, 2-7, lasted just 2 2-3 innings, allowing six runs, four earned, and three hits.

With two out in the first, Avery walked Gary Redus and Bonilla hit a 1-1 pitch off the net just inside the left-field foul pole for his career-high 25th home run.

After Bonilla's homer, Barry Bonds walked on a 3-2 pitch and King sent an 0-1 pitch from Avery over the left-field wall for another two-run homer, his fifth home run of the season.

Atlanta has a 43-72 record and are 24 1/2 games behind Cincinnati in the NL West.

--- AROUND THE NL ---

Elsewhere Tuesday night in the National League, Chicago beat Houston 5-2;

New York split a double-header with Los Angeles, winning 9-8 and losing 2-1; Philadlephia edged San Franciso 4-3 in 13 innings; Cincinnati defeated St. Louis 9-4; and Montreal dumped San Diego 8-3.

Mets 9, Dodgers 8 (1st)
Dodgers 2, Mets 1 (2nd)

At New York, Howard Johnson went 3-for-4 with four RBI, powering the Mets in the first game. Dwight Gooden, 12-6, allowed seven runs over 5 2-3 innings. John Franco worked the ninth for his 26th save. Ramon Martinez, 15-5, had a six-game winning streak snapped. In the nightcap, Mike Hartley 4-1, pitched six scoreless innings in his first major-league start. Jay Howell picked up his ninth save and David Cone, 8-6, took the loss.

Reds 9, Cardinals 4

At St. Louis, Jack Armstrong won his first game since the All-Star break and Todd Benzinger drove in three runs to lead Cincinnati. Armstrong improved to 12-8 and St. Louis starter Jose DeLeon, 6-12, yielded eight runs and seven hits in 3 1-3 innings. The Cardinals had a four-game winning streak snapped.

Phillies 4, Giants 3 (13 innings)

At Philadelphia, Rod Booker scored on a wild pitch with two out in the 13th to help the Phillies snap a five-game losing streak. Booker singled off Steve Bedrosian, 5-7, stole second and went to third on Charlie Hayes' groundout. Bedrosian's first pitch to pinch-hitter Dave Hollins was wild, scoring Booker and making a winner of Dennis Cook, 8-2.

Cubs 5, Astros 2

At Chicago, Ryne Sandberg hit his National League-leading 28th home run and drove in three runs for Chicago. Greg Maddux, 10-10, gave up seven hits over 7 2-3 innings for the win, and Bill Long picked up his fourth save. Mike Scott, 9-11, failed in his bid for his fourth straight win.

Expos 8, Padres 3

At San Diego, Dennis Martinez pitched a five-hitter and Otis Nixon posted the first four-hit game of his career to lead the Expos to their sixth straight victory. Martinez, 9-8, struck out nine and walked none, at one point retiring 17 batters in a row. San Diego starter Dennis Rasmussen, 8-11, took the loss.

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#90227u0365 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - New York Yankees Manager Stump Merrill is being haunted, not helped, by ghosts from Yankee pasts.

Luis Polonia sprinted to an inside-the-park grand slam against his old squad and Chili Davis added a three-run homer Tuesday night, powering the California Angels to a 9-5 victory to hand the New York Yankees their fifth staight loss.

''Those ex-Yankees are haunting us,'' Merrill said.

The performance by Polonia, who was traded from New York to California in the first month of the season, followed Monday night's game-winning performance by another former Yankee, Dave Winfield.

Trailing 1-0 in the second inning, the Angels came back in the second inning thanks to a slew of Yankee mistakes.

Leadoff batter Lee Stevens struck out, but reached first on New York starter Tim Leary's wild pitch. Leary then hit Lance Parrish with a pitch and Devon White advanced the runners with a sacrifice bunt. Dick Schofield walked to load the bases.

Polonia then ripped an 0-2 pitch toward right fielder Jesse Barfield, his third pulled shot of the night.

Barfield skidded into the turf as the ball skipped past him and rolled to the corner. Polonia wasn't going to stop.

Polonia rounded the bases for only the 74th inside-the-park grand slam in major-league history to give the Angels a 4-1 lead.

The shot was only Polonia's second home run on the season, but both have come against his ex-team from the Bronx, where he felt cheated out of playing opportunities.

The Yankees fought back to a 4-4 tie before Davis belted his three-run homer in the fifth to put the Angels up for good.

The Angels stung Leary for nine runs in the first five innings.

Jim Abbott, 8-10, struggled to post the win, surrendering five runs and 11 hits in 5 2-3 innings. Willie Fraser pitched the last 3 1-3 innings for his first save.

--- AROUND THE AL ---

In other American League action Tuesday night, Minnesota topped Cleveland 5-4, Toronto blasted Chicago 12-4, Milwaukee stopped Detroit 7-6, Kansas

City shut out Texas 1-0, Boston blanked Oakland 2-0 and Seattle buried Baltimore 7-1.

At Cleveland, Kent Hrbek drove in two runs and Kirby Puckett collected three hits to lead Minnesota. Mark Guthrie, 4-5, allowed seven hits in seven innings for the win. Rick Aguilera gained his 25th save. Cleveland starter Bud Black, 10-8, was touched for 10 hits in five innings.

Blues Jays 12, White Sox 4

At Chicago, Glenallen Hill belted his second career grand slam and George Bell tied a major league record with three sacrifice flies for Toronto. Todd Stottlemyre, 11-13, gave up only a first-inning double and a seventh-inning single. Chicago starter Greg Hibbard fell to 9-7.

Brewers 7, Tigers 6

At Detroit, Mike Felder's bases-loaded sacrifice fly with one out in the ninth capped a two-run rally for Milwaukee. Chuck Crim, 3-4, pitched 2 2-3 innings of relief for the win. Dan Plesac got the final out for his 17th save. Jerry Don Gleaton, 1-3, lost in relief.

Royals 1, Rangers 0

At Kansas City, Mo., Jim Eisenreich led off the ninth inning with a pinch-hit home run to lift the Royals. Andy McGaffigan and Steve Farr, 9-5 combined for the seven-hit shutout. Gary Mielke, 0-2, was the loser after Texas starter Jamie Moyer took a one-hitter into the seventh inning.

Red Sox 2, Athletics 0

At Oakland, Calif. Roger Clemens fired a five-hitter and struck out 11 batters for lead Boston. Clemens, 17-5, walked only one in recording his 24th career shutout. Oakland starter Mike Moore, 10-11, was forced out of the game in the second inning with a strained right groin.

Mariners 7, Orioles 1

At Seattle, Greg Briley homered twice and Matt Young tossed a five-hitter for the Mariners. Young, 6-12, hurled his sixth complete game of the season, walking four and striking out three. Briley hit both of his homers off Baltimore starter Dave Johnson, 11-8.

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#90227u0366 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - Jordan's King Hussein, whose nation is allowing shipments bound for Iraq through its southern port despite a U.N.-mandated trade

embargo, arrived in the United States Wednesday and brought with him a Jordanian-Iraqi plan for solving the Persian Gulf crisis.

President Bush, who plans to meet with Hussein Thursday, has warned that Jordan may be undermining efforts to enforce a U.N.-ordered trade embargo against Iraq, imposed after Baghdad invaded and occupied Kuwait Aug. 2 in a land and oil dispute. Thousands of Iraqi troops are now massed on the Saudi border.

The Pentagon said 45,000 heavily armed Marines were arriving in Saudi Arabia to confront Iraq in Operation Desert Shield, joining 26,000 U.S. troops already in position in the oil-rich kingdom as of Tuesday.

In an apparent attempt to gather support in the Persian Gulf region, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein offered Wednesday to settle numerous issues in dispute with Gulf War rival Iran.

In a letter to the Iranian leadership read on Baghdad Radio and monitored in Beirut, Saddam offered to exchange all prisoners held by both countries and withdraw Iraqi troops facing Iranian forces along their shared frontier. Border patrols would remain.

The eight-year Gulf War was fought to a standstill. A cease-fire has been in force since August 1988.

There has been little public support for Iraq since it invaded and occupied Kuwait. Improved relations with neighboring Iran could offer Iraq a way around the trade embargo if Tehran agreed to receive Iraqi-bound goods at its ports along the gulf and the Caspian and Arabian seas.

As part of their enforcement of the trade embargo, U.S. and British ships patrolled the waters of the gulf, under orders to interdict Iraqi shipping. A British frigate challenged a Cypriot oil tanker thought to be carrying Iraqi oil. Two Iraqi tankers also were turned away from the United Arab Emirates.

The U.S. and British actions were criticized by other U.N. members, and Washington agreed Tuesday to discuss coordinating military actions with its U.N. Security Council partners.

The United States, with 49 warships sent to the region, maintains it has the military and legal authority to board vessels suspected of violating the economic boycott.

France said its naval forces would not seize Iraqi cargo ships at sea because such a measure would constitute an act of war.

Besides foreign warships already in the gulf, Belgium, Italy and Britain

announced they were sending nine ships to the Mediterranean. Greece also placed its naval facilities at the disposal of West Germany to enable it to station a squadron of minesweepers off the East Mediterranean island of Crete.

Three British minesweepers were expected to arrive in about three weeks. They are part of what is called the ''Tupperware navy'' because the hulls are made from reinforced plastic which does not attract magnetic mines.

Iraq called any naval blockade illegal. The Iraqi newspaper Al Jumhuriya said Saddam's forces know how to penetrate a blockade and would ''make (U.S.) troops taste death if they attack.''

The Jordanian king arrived at Andrews Air Force Base near Washington early Wednesday in advance of a meeting with Bush Thursday at his summer home in Maine. A Jordanian official who requested anonymity said Hussein was carrying a joint Jordanian-Iraqi peace initiative for Bush to consider, but the official refused to disclose details of the message.

Jordan is permitting its Red Sea port of Aqaba to allow in shipments of food and other material, which is then sent to Iraq by truck convoy. A Norwegian ship's captain said he was forced by Jordanian police to unload Iraq-bound grain from his vessel in Aqaba, news reports in Oslo said Tuesday.

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#90227u0377 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - Thunderstorms soaked the Great Plains and the Southwest Wednesday, flooding Arizona and swelling waterways in Texas, while fog obscured parts of the Northeast and scattered rain fell over the South.

Heavy rain soaked west-central Arizona, causing flooding near the California border early Wednesday, as light showers fell across much of the state, the National Weather Service said. Heavy storms swept the state Tuesday, causing extensive street flooding in Phoenix.

Several highway underpasses in Phoenix were closed because pumps could not handle the runoff that inundated the city's few storm drains. The Phoenix Fire Department made sand bags available to homeowners, and the Red Cross provided emergency housing for 50 people whose homes in low-lying areas were flooded.

Storms moved into already-drenched southeast New Mexico and southwest Texas, where the Rio Grande and other rivers were near or above flood stage. Flash flood warnings were posted near the New Mexico-Texas border.

Showers also lingered across much of Kansas, eastern Colorado and

northwest Oklahoma, the NWS said. Thundershowers were reported from southern Nebraska into northern Kansas, where storms were scattered across a 50-mile-wide area.

In the Great Lakes region, thunderstorms moved from Minneapolis into central Wisconsin early Wednesday as high pressure from Canada brought drier air.

Scattered thunderstorms weaved through the South, dropping light rain in the Carolinas and the Florida Keys. Morning temperatures in the region ranged from 74 under hazy skies in Knoxville, Tenn., to 83 in Miami.

Skies were clear across much of the Northeast early Wednesday, but patches of dense fog shrouded parts of New Hampshire and Vermont. Thick fog in Elmira, N.Y., cut visibility to a quarter-mile.

Skies were partly cloudy overnight across much of Pennsylvania, West Virginia and New Jersey. Morning lows ranged mostly in the 60s.

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#90227u0378 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - A livery cab driver was shot to death in Harlem, bringing to 20 the number of drivers killed since the beginning of the year, police said Wednesday.

Abraham Hernandez, 38, was found lying face up on the sidewalk near his car at West 145th Street and Bradhurst Avenue in Harlem about 9:40 p.m. Tuesday, said Sgt. Ed Burns, a police spokesman.

The driver for Cabrini Car Service was found 10 feet from his vehicle with a gunshot wound to the head, police said. Both rear doors of the car were left open, and investigators said they believed the victim was shot during a robbery.

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#90227u0400 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (AUG. 15) UPI - Chinese and Western sources dispute government claims that only 355 people remain imprisoned for participating in last year's democracy movement, saying thousands of Chinese are toiling in a vast gulag of ''labor reform'' camps.

The sources, who include Chinese with public security contacts, scoff at Beijing's assurances it has freed most people detained in Beijing for investigation of their roles in the protests.

''There's no way of knowing the total number (incarcerated), but it's

clearly in the thousands,'' one Chinese source said.

As an example, more than 50 people from the cities of Baoding and Chengde in Hebei province, which surrounds the capital, were branded as ''hooligans'' after the protests and sent to a labor reform camp, the source said.

The Hebei city of Tangshan about 100 miles from Beijing is the site of little-known Tangshan No. 1 labor reform camp where ''more than 10,000 prisoners'' labor under harsh conditions, according to a Chinese source knowledgeable about security affairs.

China maintains a vast system of ''reform through labor'' prisons and prison camps, where convicts work at menial jobs. Critics charge some convict-made goods are exported.

China regards the camps as separate from the regular prison population. Police may mete out sentences of up to two years of labor reform without a court ruling.

One of the prisoners at the Tangshan camp is renowned dissident Wei Jingshen, imprisoned since 1979 for his leading role in the short-lived ''Democracy Wall'' dissent movement.

Wei was transferred to Tangshan last year by train from a camp in remote western Xinjiang, the source with public security contacts said. The source said Wei is ''lucid and writes a lot,'' dispelling rumors Wei had gone insane during his confinement.

A Western diplomat who recently visited the Tuanhe labor reform camp outside Beijing said he was told by camp vice-director Wei Pengying that ''more than 300'' of the camp's 3,000 prisoners were sent there for offenses related to the June 1989 crackdown.

Other Western diplomats who follow human rights issues in China agreed the number of people still imprisoned for democracy movement ''crimes'' is probably in the thousands.

Observers have difficulty monitoring the secretive prison system in the capital and have even less information about the provinces.

One diplomat said the numbers of arrests in remote areas were likely to be ''far higher'' than government figures admit, and cited a government-exhibited map showing that democracy protests had broken out in more than 80 major cities.

The number of arrests is believed to be especially high in cities where major rioting erupted, including the ancient capital of Xi'an in Shaanxi

province.

The majority of those arrested in the crackdown were dealt with swiftly and silently because they were categorized as ''hoodlums'' rather than as political prisoners, a government official said.

''Most of the people who were arrested (in June 1989) were grabbed for offenses like throwing rocks. That's vandalism, not a political crime,'' the official said.

Many of these minor offenders were sent to labor camps, he said.

The government has announced releases this year of nearly 900 people who had been imprisoned following the military crackdown, and maintains that only 355 prisoners remain in Beijing.

But Chinese sources dismiss the low figure and accuse the government of manipulating Western opinion by periodically releasing prominent intellectuals and others held for purely political charges.

A Western diplomat in Beijing agreed.

''It's amazing the way (the Chinese government) has manipulated those figures, and some people are buying it,'' he said.

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#90227u0576 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - King Hussein of Jordan has arrived in the United States with a peace plan for the Persian Gulf crisis. Hussein says he drafted the proposal with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein... and will present it to President Bush tomorrow at the president's summer home in Kennebunkport, Maine. Bush is offering NO hope of a quick diplomatic solution to the Iraqi invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

Iraq is offering a surprise peace package to Iran, its Persian Gulf war enemy. In a broadcast today on Baghdad Radio, Saddam Hussein proposes a four-point initative including a prisoner exchange and the start of withdrawal of combat troops from the Iran-Iraq border within 24 hours. There are about 100-thousand P-O-Ws in both countries.

In Lebanon, an authoritative newspaper says an all-Arab force will guard Saudi Arabia's holy sites to counter Moslem criticism of the presence of U-S-led military forces in the oil-rich Arab kingdom. The United States has sent tens of thousands of troops to Saudi Arabia to defend it against a possible Iraqi attack.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry has ruled out a fourth mayoral term...

but announced yesterday that he's going to run for a seat on the City Council. Barry decided against running for mayor because it would be too divisive after his 10-week cocaine possession and perjury trial. He was convicted on a single misdemeanor cocaine possession count in U-S District Court.

A Dallas County jury has sentenced Daniel Joe Hittle to death by injection for the 1989 slaying a Garland policeman in a shooting spree that left five people dead. The 40-year-old Hittle was convicted of capital murder last week. He showed NO emotion in a courtroom packed with police officers as State District Judge Richard Mays pronounced the sentence recommended by the jury.

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#90227u0578 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - A hospital spokesman in New York says rhythm and blues singer Curtis Mayfield is in critical condition but was resting comfortably after a freak accident Monday night at an outdoor concert. The spokesman says doctors are evaluating whether to operate on the 48-year-old Mayfield, who says he feels a tingling in his arms, which is a symptom of a possible spinal injury.

The Detroit youth who became a national hero at age 14 when he rescued an 11-year-old neighbor from a rapist underwent surgery yesterday to remove a bullet lodged in his chest. Collin Boatright says he was shot by his girlfriend's ex-boyfriend. Boatright now is 19, unemployed and a high school dropout. He says his life has been awful since his daring act in 1985.

Ethnic rivalry is growing in Yugoslavia. The president of the Croatian republic warns that his government will deny funds to Serbian communities that participate in a referendum calling for ''cultural autonomy'' for Serbs. Franjo Tudjman says the referendum is part of a Serbian plan to increase tensions between Croats and Serbs and lead to the overthrow of the Croatian government.

The United States is about to get its first high-speed magnetically levitated train. A development team led by Bechtel International won tentative approval yesterday to build the train linking Southern California with Las Vegas. Officials say construction could begin in mid-1993... and would take four years to finish. The train would travel at speeds reaching 300 miles an hour.

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#90227u0600 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (AUG. 15) UPI - The Export-Import Bank said Wednesday it will loan

$235 million to Nigeria to finance the country's petrochemical project.

The government-financed bank said the loan, to be provided to the state-run National Petroleum Corp., will be used to import petrochemical facilities from Japan.

The loan, which is repayable over a 10-year period starting at the end of 1993, carries an annual interest rate of 7.5 percent, the bank said.

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#90227u0626 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (AUG. 15) UPI - Reflecting robust expansion of the Japanese economy, machine tool orders for the first half of 1990 surged 17.2 percent over a year ago to a record $4.7 billion, the Japan Machine Tool Industry Association said Wednesday.

The association said monthly orders received by 70 major domestic machine tool makers topped $733.3 million for five straight months since February.

For the six-month period, domestic orders accounted for $3.46 billion, up 16.4 percent over a year ago.

Export orders amounted to $1.24 billion, up 19.4 percent over the year-earlier period, the association said.

The association said orders from machinery makers increased 14.5 percent to $1.46 billion, while those from automakers and electric machinery manufacturers increased 27.5 percent and 19.6 percent, respectively, to $1 billion and $198 million.

Orders from precision instrument makers dropped 9.6 percent to $116 million, while those from shipbuilding and transport machinery firms fell 9.3 percent to $54 million, the association said.

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#90227u0656 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein wants peace with his long-time enemy Iran. State-run Baghdad Radio today issued a four-point plan that includes a prisoner exchange, Iraqi troop withdrawal from border positions with Iran within 24 hours and sharing of the strategic Shatt-al-Arab waterway.

Western diplomats in the Persian Gulf region say Saddam may be trying to avoid giving Iran an opporturnity to exploit the current crisis. They say Iran favors a settlement to end the decade-long hostility with Iraq and is likely to go along with Saddam's plan. -

Jordan's King Hussein is in Washington today and will go to Maine tomorrow to meet with President Bush at his summer home in Kennebunkport. Hussein will offer Bush a joint Iraqi-Jordanian peace plan for Kuwait.

The Tokyo Stock market reflected hopes today that King Hussein is carrying a workable peace plan. The key Nikkei Stock Average rose to its second-biggest one-day rally of the year gaining nearly five-and-a-half percent.

As many as 20-thousand Marines from North Carolina could be arriving in the state port at Morehead City during the next several days on their way to the Mideast. Convoys of military equipment rolled into the port yesterday from three nearby military bases.

Chinese and Western sources in Beijing say thousands, NOT hundreds, may be in jail as a result of last year's government crackdown on pro-reform demonstrators. The Chinese government says 355 people are imprisoned.

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#90227u0670 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - New York police say a livery cab driver was shot to death in Harlem last night, bringing to 20 the number of cab drivers killed in New York City so far this year. Police believe the 38-year-old cabbie was shot during a robbery.

Jurors in the New York City trial of three teen-agers charged with raping and beating a Central Park jogger have asked to re-hear testimony regarding the timing of events the night of the attack. Deliberations began one week ago.

Two wildfires in Oregon flared up yesterday and continue to burn out of control. Firefighters are making progress against other fires in the West and officials will meet today to discuss plans to re-open California's Yosemite National Park.

NASA officials say astronomers are ready to perform critical tests on the Hubble Space Telescope to determine its scientific capabilities. Despite optical flaws, the telescope may be able to capture valuable images.

A judge in Santa Monica, California, has accepted actor Marlon Brando's offer to put his four-Million-dollar estate up as collateral to secure his son's release. Christian Brando is charged with murdering his half-sister's boyfriend.

Henry Crown, the BILLIONAIRE industrialist has died at 94 of natural causes at his home in Chicago. Crown once owned the Empire State Building

and ran the world's largest construction supply firm, Material Service Corporation, in the 1950's.

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#90227u0706 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - Women in Kuwait have staged some of the bravest resistance demonstrations against Iraqi occupiers of their tiny Middle Eastern nation, The Washington Post reported Wednesday in a dispatch from Kuwait City.

The newspaper, in a dispatch sent at the end of last week, reported that women have marched against the occupation in several Kuwait City neighborhoods. The protests began Aug. 5, three days after Iraqi soldiers stormed across the border and seized control of the country.

A Post correspondent saw about 60 women demonstrate Aug. 6 in the Rumaithiya neighborhood. No Iraqi troops were present.

''We don't want Iraq. We don't want Saddam (Hussein),'' one woman said.

Another woman said, ''All women of Kuwait are resenting this (invasion). They are protesting this.''

Pamphlets have been distributed in criticism of Saddam, the president of Iraq. ''Do not be fooled by Saddam's Arabism and his love to democracy. ... What Saddam did? What a republic he built!!! It is based on terror, kidnapping and killing,'' a pamphlet read.

Some Kuwaitis have refused to work in order to show their resistance to the occupation.

''We don't want people to go to work because then everything would be normal. We don't want the country to be normal,'' a Kuwaiti told the Post.

Armed civilian resistance began Aug. 3, the newspaper said. The weapons apparently have come from military stores hidden from the Iraqis.

The Post reporter found a stockpile of small arms in a guardhouse. The correspondent reported seeing a harried Kuwaiti load a Mercedes with weapons to take to the neighborhood of Kaifan.

Iraqi troops are stationed at government installations and most hotels in the capital. Soldiers have placed tanks beside the beach and antiaircraft guns near the city, the newspaper said.

The Post said that nine days after the invasion food was still available in Kuwait City but people were aware supplies could dwindle fast. Many

people have had trouble getting cash because banks are closed.

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#90227u0729 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - U.S. industrial production was unchanged in July on a sharp decline in the manufacturing of cars, vans and trucks, the Federal Reserve reported Wednesday.

Private economists predicted a small increase in production for last month after increases of 0.4 percent in June and 0.6 percent in May and a decline of 0.1 percent in April.

The utilization of America's factories, meanwhile, slipped from 83.6 percent of capacity in June to 83.4 percent in July, further evidence of the dwindling strength of the economy.

In May, capacity utilization also stood at 83.4 percent.

''Swings in motor vehicle production during the past few months have had a noticeable effect on total output,'' the Fed said. ''In July, production of both autos and trucks fell sharply.''

Excluding automotive production, U.S. industrial production rose 0.2 percent in July ''about the same rate of growth that has been evident so far this year,'' the monthly report said.

In addition to the plunge in auto production, there was a decline last month in the production of household appliances.

The industrial production index, itself, hovered at 109.9 in July, the same level as in June and a better showing than 109.4 in May and 108.8 in April, the Fed said.

By major market groups, production of consumer goods was off 0.4 percent in July, while production of business equipment and construction supplies decreased 0.6 percent and 1.1 percent, respectively.

By major industry groups, overall manufacturing production fell 0.1 percent in July, with a 0.4 percent dip in the durable goods sector offsetting a 0.3 percent gain in the non-durable goods sector.

Mining production jumped 1 percent in July while the production of public utilities slipped 0.4 percent.

The figures are adjusted to reflect seasonal factors.

#90227u0732 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 15) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange soared Wednesday for the market's second largest rally this year on news reports that Iraq may be ready to negotiate a withdrawal from Kuwait.

The market's leading barometer, the 225-share Nikkei Stock Average, shot up 1,439.59 yen to close at 28,112.12. The 5.4 percent gain was the second largest of the year in both percentage or index terms, dealers said. The market gained 1,468.33 yen March 26.

The Nikkei gained 496.10 yen Tuesday on bargain-hunting.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index of all major shares gained 79.16 points to close at 2,099.49. TOPIX gained 27.29 points Tuesday.

Volume was an estimated 450 million shares, up from 362.89 million Tuesday.

The strong rally was based almost entirely on hopes that a peace plan was included in a letter addressed to George Bush by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The letter is to be delivered by King Hussein of Jordan when he meets the U.S. president Thursday in Maine. Jordanian officials told U.S. reporters that Hussein will present a joint Jordanian-Iraqi peace plan.

''The market welcomed the expectations of a solution to the Middle East crisis,'' said Mitsuyoshi Kikuchi, an analyst with the New Japan Securities Co.

The market also got a technical prompt in the morning with a sudden drop of the dollar against the yen, dealers said.

Hopes for a solution to the Middle East crisis swept the trading floor and the market took off soon after.

''Whether or not this is for real remains to be seen,'' warned a broker at W.I. Carr. ''There's a lot more room for disappointment.''

Gains were across the board, and were stronger for corporations with Middle East interests or large capital bases, brokers said.

The yield on Japanese government bonds, often a weather vane for the stock market, retreated from the 8 percent mark to 7.88 percent. Higher yields bode ill for stock prices.

Elsewhere in Asia, share prices surged in light trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange amid bargain hunting spurred by a calmer investment environment and hopes that tension in the Middle East would decrease.

The Hang Seng Index added 110.74 points to end the day at 3178.74. The gain followed a rise of 27.25 points Tuesday.

Volume was light at 1.43 billion units.

Bargain hunters snapped up issues made attractive by market corrections and the index gained more than 62 points in the first 15 minutes of trading and the rally continued through the afternoon.

''Although the market is down 12 to 13 percent from its recent high, people are reconsidering their investment strategies,'' said David Harman, a senior investor with Morgan Grenfell.

''We are nowhere near the end to problems in the Gulf, but the more calm investment climate in overseas markets,'' he added. ''If we continue to see a calm environment in overseas markets, then we may see further reconsideration of investment in Hong Kong. However, we can't rule out further bad news from the Gulf.''

Iraq said it plans to withdraw troops from Iranian territory captured during the 8-year war against its eastern neighbor and release Iranian prisoners.

Financials added 51.35, Utilities gained 154.50 and Industrials rose 101.99. Properties surged 190.54.

Share prices shot up on the Singapore Stock Exchange following Tokyo's rally.

The Straits Times Industrial Index climbed 35.68 to 1330.40.

The All Singapore Index rose 8.41 to 381.97.

The exchange recorded a turnover of 84.99 million units.

Analysts said investors were encouraged by reports that Iraq may be ready to negotiate a withdrawal from Kuwait.

However, a dealer warned that if the reports prove false and oil prices continue to rise, the stock market would sink back even further as company earnings are affected.

Gainers were Singapore Press Foreign, Asean Fund (US), Shangri-la, Spore Land, Jurong Shipyard, and Singapore Airlines Foreign.

Losers were UIC, Alex Hldgs, Shell, Ana Hotel, Jacks Ltd., Wearne Bros., and Rothmans.

Share prices closed lower on the Sydney Stock Exchange, pulled down by lower gold price and a strong Australian dollar.

At the close the All Ordinaries index was down one point to 1563.

Brokers said sharply lower gold prices on specualtions that Iraq was seeking peace triggered a wave of profit selling in the gold sector.

The gold index fell 87.5 to 1596.8.

Among the gold issues which retreated were GFMK, down 4 cents to $1.01, Placer Pacific down 10 cents to $3.68, Kidston down 10 cents to $2.85 and Homestake down 7 cents to $1.53.

Also undermining the resource sector was the strong Australian dollar which weighed heavily on the resource issues.

CRA was down 20 cents to $12.00, WMC down 12 cents to $5.56, and Pasminco down 1 cent to $2.15.

Oil issues, BHP and Santos, were mixed in response to peace rumors.

BHP rose 5 cents to $11.20 and Santos fell 4 cents to $4.90.

Banks were firmer with Westpac up 3 cents to $4.85, NAB was up 6 cents to $6.72, and ANZ was down 3 cents to $4.67.

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#90227u0739 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Guards at the Rikers Island Prison used tear gas to break up a melee that injured more than 120 people, capping a two-day blockade of the island by guards angered by outbreaks of violence.

Emergency Medical Service vehicles brought out dozens of prisoners and guards injured in the Tuesday evening fight.

Authorities said at least 122 people were taken to hospitals. About 30 of the victims were corrections officers, some of whom had been stabbed. Injuries to about 40 other prisoners were being evaluated on the island.

Emergency Medical Services spokeswoman Gail Christianson said none of the injured was being treated at the prison's hospital because of tensions there.

''Because of the instability there, we're escorting them off,'' Christianson said. ''We've been pulling patients off the island since 7 p.m. last night and all through the night.

''It's been difficult. We also have a corrections officer assigned to every prisoner,'' she said.

Police were stationed at the island to escort the emergency vehicles on and off the island and not in anticipation of a new outburst, said Officer Janice Swinney, a police spokeswoman.

The only land access to the island, a long bridge from Queens, had been blocked for nearly two days by Department of Correction officers demanding action following the beating of a fellow guard by three inmates last week.

The crowd of pickets on the mainland end of the bridge would not allow visitors or relief personnel onto Rikers, or medical personnel, guards and other workers to leave.

The tense situation erupted into the fight just shortly after an agreement had been reached Tuesday ending the blockade.

Ruby Ryles, spokeswoman for City Department of Correction, more than 750 prisoners in 14 dormitories in the Otis Bantum Center, one of nine jails on the island, barricaded themselves inside their cells, demanding the right to visitors, legal aid and meals on time.

Guards used tear gas on three dormitories and inmates in the remaining eight dormitories then surrendered about 8:30 p.m., she said.

Earlier Tuesday, city officials who flew to Rikers by helicopter reached a tentative agreement with the guards. Albert Scardino, Mayor David Dinkins's chief spokesman, said negotiators had reached agreement on three major issues:

-Amnesty for guards in the blockade who were not supposed to be on shift.

-More help for guards at security posts.

-A revision in the rights of guards who use force against violent inmates.

Officers initially held out for no sanctions at all but negotiators eventually agreed that only those guards who failed to report to work would face punitive action, probably in the form of docked pay, Scardino said.

The Correction officers were angry over the Aug. 7 attack by three inmates on guard Steve Narby, whose jaw and ribs were broken.

During the blockade, an hourlong brawl broke out between pickets and emergency medical workers trying to get onto the island.

Three guards and seven EMS workers were injured in the fight, and Dinkins said the guards responsible for the attack would face criminal penalties.

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#90227u0748 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - The utilization of America's factories, meanwhile, slipped from 83.6 percent of capacity in June to 83.4 percent in July, further evidence of the dwindling strength of the economy.

In May, capacity utilization also stood at 83.4 percent.

''Swings in motor vehicle production during the past few months have had a noticeable effect on total output,'' the Fed said. ''In July, production of both autos and trucks fell sharply.''

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#90227u0751 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - Middle East alliances are shifting more quickly than the desert sands. After fighting a bitter eight-year Gulf war with Iran, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein now is offering a peace package to the Tehran government. The Iraqi initiative apparently is designed to give Hussein one less headache and enemy in the wake of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The Iraqi offer to Iran reportedly includes an exchange of prisoners... a withdrawal of Iraqi troops from the Iranian border... and acceptance of Iranian demands to share a disputed strategic waterway. If Iran agrees, Iraqi troops could start pulling back from the border within 48 hours.

Iraq has become a pariah in the international community since its August 2nd invasion and annexation of Kuwait. The Iraqi peace overtures indicate Baghdad fears Iran might attempt to exploit the crisis by moving troops to Iraq's province of Kurdistan.

Hot, swirling winds fanned two wildfires in Oregon's Malheur National Forest.One series of fires in the Sheep Mountain Complex grew to more than 10-thousand acres... while the Snowshoe Fire nearby charred 13-thousand acres. Wildfires in in Oregon have cost the state 12-Million dollars so far.

President Bush angrily challenged Democrats on Capitol Hill to put up or shut up yesterday in talks to cut the federal deficit. Bush accused Democrats of trying to make political hay from the budget crisis. Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell said Bush's haranguing ''was NOT accurate and NOT helpful.''

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#90227u0757 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 15) UPI - Another cab driver was killed in New York City last night the 20th so far this year. Police say 38-year-old Abraham Hernandez was shot to death in Harlem. He was found lying face up 10 feet from his vehicle with a gunshot wound to the head. Police believe the driver was shot during a robbery.

Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel is in Mexico for a two-day visit aimed at beefing-up bilateral relations between the two countries. Havel arrived in Mexico yesterday from Nicaragua... where he and President Chamorro agreed to improve trade relations and establish ministerial-level talks to extend ties.

A new proposal by the federal government says banks will have to pay an additional one-BILLION dollars each year to bolster the fund the government uses to guarantee deposits of failed banks. The new rates proposed yesterday represent a 65 percent increase from the current rate.

Colorado is one step closer to winning a major league baseball franchise. Voters O-K'd a plan to raise 97-Million dollars in new taxes to pay for construction of a baseball stadium if Denver gets a franchise. With 57 percent of yesterday's vote counted, the stadium tax plan was ahead 54-to-46 percent.

Astronomers are ready to begin critical tests this week to find out exactly what the Hubble Space Telescope can and canNOT do with its flawed optical system. Scientists have been encouraged by better-than-expected pictures from the telescope's main camera.

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#90227u0778 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
BALTIMORE (AUG. 15) UPI - A 367-pound city woman who says ''fat is not a four-letter word'' is embroiled in a discrimination complaint against a state agency that contends she is too big to drive a car without special equipment.

Regina Guy, 25, 5 feet 6 1/2 inches tall, said the Motor Vehicle Administration is discriminating against her because of her weight and has hired a lawyer to fight the agency.

The MVA has scheduled a hearing for Friday to determine if Guy's driver's license should be revoked.

Before the hearing, members of the National Association for the Advancement of Fat Acceptance and friends will rally to protest the MVA's

policy.

MVA spokesman James Lang said he prefers to withhold comment until after he talks with the agency's medical advisory board.

A police officer pulled over the car Guy was driving July 13 because the vehicle's high-beams were on.

After checking the car's registration, police found it was expired.

Guy said the car's owner is handicapped and had tried to get the registration renewed by mail and was awaiting the forms when it expired.

Guy was issued a ticket for driving a car without valid registration, but she said the officer did not mention her weight at the time.

She received a letter Aug. 7 from the MVA, telling her it would re-examine her ability to drive and asking her to explain why her license should not be revoked.

The letter quoted the officer who stopped her in July as saying her weight made it impossible for her to sit behind the wheel of the car.

Guy said other people who are overweight should not permit discrimination against them.

''Don't let them,'' she said. ''Fat is not a four-letter word. It's a description. That's all.''

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#90227u0802 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is offering Iran a peace proposal that may end a decade of hostilities. The plan includes an Iraqi troop withdrawal from border positions along Iran and a prisoner exchange involving as many 100-thousand prisoners of war. It's NOT clear if Iraq has accepted Iran's condition that the two nations share joint sovereignty over the strategic Shatt-al-Arab waterway in the northern Persian Gulf.

Jordan's King Hussein is in Washington and will travel to Kennebunkport, Maine, tomorrow to meet with President Bush. Hussein is expected to offer Bush a joint Iraqi-Jordanian plan to end the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush has said he wants Hussein to stop any and all Iraqi-bound shipments from passing through Jordan.

Iraq says some three-thousand Americans stranded in Iraq and occupied Kuwait will NOT be allowed to leave. A broadcast report quotes Iraq'sforeign ministry as saying the Americans are ''restrictees'' who

will NOT be permitted to leave until the crisis is resolved. An Iraqi Embassy official in Washington told U-P-I the Americans canNOT leave because the Iraqi government is responsible for their safety. He says they are NOT hostages or prisoners.

Wildfires continue to burn out of control in Oregon, about 300 miles southeast of Portland. Two blazes flared up yesterday as firefighters made headway against a number of wildfires in other Western states. Officials in California, which has been hit hardest by lightning-sparked fires, says weather conditions have improved, giving firefighters a much-needed edge in battling the blazes.

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#90227u0813 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - Federal investigators in Miami warn there may be as many as eight-thousand cocaine-laced bottles of a Colombian malt drink on U-S store shelves. A 25-year-old man remains in a deep coma as a result of drinking the contaminated beverage last month. Authorities say Colombian drug traffickers apparently dissolved the cocaine in the bottles of Pony Malta de Bavaria intending to filter it out later, but lost track of the shipment.

The son of actor Marlon Brando is expected to be released from jail this morning after a judge accepted the actor's offer to put his four-Million-dollar house up as collateral to meet his son's bail. Christian Brando is charged with murdering his half-sister's boyfriend on May 16th. The younger Brando has said he accidentally shot 26-year-old Dag Drollet.

Singer Curtis Mayfield remains hospitalized in New York in critical condition this morning following surgery for a broken neck. A hospital official says Mayfield is paralyzed from the neck down after being hit by falling stage equipment Monday night as he was about to perform at a Brooklyn high school. The singer's son says his father's injuries appear serious... but there is hope the paralysis is temporary.

The latest Census Bureau survey indicates the average American family with a working mother spends 49-dollars a week on child care. The 1987 Census figures find 29-Million children of employed mothers were enrolled in child care programs, helping to make child care a 15-and-a-half-BILLION-dollar-a-year industry. The survey also finds children living in poverty are more likely to be cared for in their own homes by relatives while their mothers work.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

Batting

(Minimum 275 at-bats)

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	355	84	117	.330
Griffey, Sea	453	72	146	.322
Palmeiro, Tex	427	54	137	.321
Harper, Min	351	49	112	.319
Brett, KC	401	61	125	.312
JoReed, Bos	416	53	129	.310
Boggs, Bos	441	66	136	.308
Quintana, Bos	348	41	107	.307
Trammell, Det	430	53	132	.307
Sheffield, Mil	391	55	120	.307

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	415	83	145	.349
McGee, StL	450	68	153	.340
Dawson, Chi	374	51	125	.334
Magadan, NY	298	51	98	.329
Bonds, Pit	368	80	117	.318
Gwynn, SD	455	66	144	.316
Murray, LA	386	65	122	.316
Jefferies, NY	427	73	132	.309
Sandberg, Chi	463	87	143	.309
Larkin, Cin	440	60	135	.307

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 36; J.Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 29; McGriff, Tor 27; Gruber, Tor 23.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 28; Strawberry, NY 27; Mitchell, SF 26; Bonilla, Pit 25; Bonds, Pit 23.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 93; Gruber, Tor 83; J.Canseco, Oak 82; McGwire, Oak 74; Bell, Tor 73.

National League - Carter, SD 93; Williams, SF 89; Bonds, Pit 88; Bonilla, Pit 78; Strawberry, NY 77.

Doubles

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos 38; Boggs, Bos and Brett, KC 33; Calderon, Chi,Puckett and Harper, Min 31.

National League - Wallach, Mtl 31; Dykstra, Phi and Jefferies, NY 30; Sabo Cin and Bonilla, Pit 29.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 15; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos 7; Polonia, Cal, Johnson, Chi, Webster, Cle, Eisenreich, KC and Felix, Tor 6.

National League - L.Smith, Atl 8; Duncan, Cin, Coleman and Thompson, StL and Gwynn, SD 7.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 49; Sax, NY 30; Calderon, Chi 29; Pettis, Tex 28; Kelly, NY 26.

National League - Coleman, StL 60; Yelding, Hou 47; Bonds, Pit 38; Nixon, Mtl 36; Samuel, LA and Raines, Mtl 35.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 84; Fielder, Det 75; McGriff, Tor 74; Yount, Mil 73; Griffey, Sea 72.

National League - Bonilla, Pit 88; Sandberg, Chi 87; Dykstra, Phi 83; Bonds, Pit 80; Sabo, Cin 78.

Hits

American League - Griffey, Sea 146; Palmeiro, Tex 137; Boggs, Bos 136; Seitzer, KC 134; Trammell, Det 132.

National League - McGee, StL 153; Dykstra, Phi 145; Gwynn, SD 144; Sandberg, Chi 143; Alomar, SD 136.

Pitching
Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 19; Clemens, Bos 17; Stewart, Oak 16; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 15.

National League - Martinez, LA, Drabek, Pit and Viola, NY 15; Browning and Armstrong, Cin, and Gooden, NY 12.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 100 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 2.06; Finley, Cal 2.36; Stewart, Oak 2.46; McCaskill, Cal 2.96; Welch, Oak 3.08.

National League - Tudor, StL 2.45; Whitson, SD 2.62; Viola, NY 2.73; Gardner, Mtl 2.85; Drabek, Pit 2.88.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 175; Hanson, Sea 152; Witt, Tex 151; Ryan, Tex 150; Johnson, Sea 138.

National League - Martinez, LA 176; Cone, NY 152; Gooden, NY 150; DeLeon, StL, 130; Martinez, Mtl 129.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi and Eckersley, Oak 37; Jones, Cle 31; Schooler, Sea 29; Olson, Bal 27.

National League - Franco, NY 26, Myers, Cin 24; Smith, StL 21, Smith, Hou, 19; Lefferts, SD 18.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 7; Brown, Tex and Young, Sea 6; Morris, Det Saberhagen, KC, Leary, NY and Clemens, Bos 5.

National League - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA, Martinez, Mtl and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl, Maddux, Chi, Belcher, LA, Drabek, Pit and Hurst, SD 5.

Shutouts

American League - Stewart, Oak and Clemens, Bos 3; King and Perez, Chi, Black, Cle, Appier, KC, Knudson, Mil, Welch, Oak and Brown and Ryan, Tex 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl and Viola, NY 3; 13 pitchers tied with 2.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for August 14: Purchases of 384,177 shares and sales of 484,853 shares including 27,144 shares sold short.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $400.40, silver base of $5.13 and platinum price of $495.50:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$430.90	430.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	220.90	220.90
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	113.40	113.40
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	46.80	46.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	430.90	430.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	220.90	220.90
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	113.90	113.90
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	46.80	46.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	437.90	437.79
China Panda .50 troy oz.	225.50	225.50
China Panda .25 troy oz.	117.00	117.00
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	50.50	50.50
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	30.20	30.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	430.80	430.80
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	220.30	220.30
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	111.10	111.10
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	47.80	47.80
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	427.40	427.40
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	221.00	221.00
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	113.40	113.40
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	48.10	48.10
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	427.40	427.40
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	219.80	219.80
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	93.00	93.00
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	48.70	48.70
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.50	24.50

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.61	$6.61
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,730	$3,730
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,600	$1,600

Platinum		
Australian Koala	530.00	530.00
Isle of Man Noble	519.00	519.00
Canada Maple Leaf	536.00	536.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - Inventories declined 0.4 percent in June, as businesses worked to control their stockpiles of goods, while sales advanced 1 percent for the second straight month, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

The inventory-to-sales ratio, which tracks the amount of time it takes to move goods from warehouses to consumers, also declined from 1.49 in May to 1.46 in June - the lowest level since 1982.

A government spokesman said the 0.4 percent drop in inventories was the largest since a 0.4 percent fall in February, and the back-to-back 1 percent gains in sales were the best showing since 1.4 percent in February.

Inventories totaled $797.3 billion in June and sales totaled $544.4 billion. The figures were adjusted for seasonal factors.

Private analysts predicted a 0.3 percent decline in inventories for the month. In May, inventories surged 0.5 percent, raising worries about a glut of goods and few buyers.

''The pace of inventories accumulation remains a critical issue for determining the overall pace of economic activity over the next few quarters,'' according to a market letter by Mitsubishi Bank in New York.

''If businesses feel demand is weakening even more, then an accelerated pace of cutting may ensue,'' the bank letter said. ''This is the key to economic growth at the moment.''

According to the data compiled by the department's Census Bureau, manufacturers inventories declined 0.5 percent in June, on a 0.7 percent fall in durable goods and a 0.2 dip in non-durable goods.

Inventories at retail stores were off 0.1 percent in June while inventories at wholesalers dropped 0.8 percent.

Sales at manufacturers, meanwhile, jumped 0.5 percent, on gains of 0.8 percent in durable goods and 0.2 in non-durable goods, the report said. Retail sales advanced 1 percent and wholesale sales increased 1.7 percent.

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SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (AUG. 15) UPI - Koreans frustrated in their hopes of crossing the border dividing the peninsula on the 45th anniversary of liberation from Japan clashed with police in the south and staged a peaceful demonstration in the north Wednesday.

Students and other dissidents in Seoul battled riot police more than three hours after authorities blocked a plan for South Koreans to join North Koreans in a rally marking the ouster of Japanese forces after 35 years of colonial rule.

About 500 people from North Korea held a two-hour afternoon rally on the northern part of the border truce village of Panmunjom but left the area without trying to cross the border, government officials in Seoul said.

South Korean President Roh Tae-woo, despite restricting travel to the North, said in a Liberation Day address the two Koreas should reconcile and unify ''before the present century is out.''

The violence in Seoul followed a rally at Yonsei University, where more than 15,000 students and dissidents vowed to push participation in a Liberation Day rally at Panmunjom, while straddles the border 35 miles north of the capital.

The National Alliance of Democratic Movements, a Seoul-based dissident group, had decided to defy a government ban and send more than 100 delegates to Panmunjom by bus.

About 5,000 students and dissidents tried to march from the Yonsei campus in western Seoul to escort the delegates to a bus terminal. But about 16,000 police had been posted around Yonsei and along the route to the terminal, and riot police moved in as the dissidents marched off campus at about 10 a.m.

Police said the delegates could take buses as far as Freedom Bridge, 5 miles south of Panmunjom, but forbade the march. The dissidents, who insisted on escorting the delegates to the bus terminal, began throwing rocks and police charged, firing tear gas.

The protesters ran in and out of the university campus, attacking police with firebombs and thousands of rocks. About 1,000 students engaged police in hit-and-run battles along downtown Taehakno Street.

Some demonstrators were arrested, according to witnesses. There were no immediate official reports on arrests and injuries.

Rightist organizations in South Korea also demonstrated. About 3,000

people rallied near the Freedom Bridge, urging North Korea to open the border to free travel. They tried to cross the bridge and march to the truce site but were stopped by police.

On the north side of Panmunjom, demonstrators sang, danced and chanted slogans in what was a ''propaganda show,'' Seoul officials said, while North Korean guards lined up along the military demarcation line to keep the crowd on the North Korean side.

Official North Korean radio said before the rally that some participants wanted to cross into the South for a ''unification march,'' the officials said.

Seoul officials at Panmunjom sent a telephone message to the North saying the safety of North Koreans would be guaranteed for cross-border travel, but said visitors would have to follow the guidance of authorities while in the South.

The Seoul officials said Northern authorities asked if the guarantee was made by the dissident Alliance of Democratic Movements group, as the North had asked, and did not announce similar guarantees for visiting South Koreans.

Official North Korean radio later charged the visit to the South had to be canceled because the South did not provide a safety guarantee, Seoul officials said.

Roh, speaking at a ceremony at Independence Hall in Chinchon, 55 miles southeast of Seoul, said Cold War rivalry is ending and referred to unification moves by East and West Germany.

''We must now open a new era of reconciliation and cooperation between the southern and northern halves of the Korean peninsula also,'' Roh said. ''The paramount national goal now is to unify our divided land before the present century is out.''

Roh said it was regrettable North Korea did not respond to his July 20 proposal for ''grand inter-Korean exchanges of people'' during a five-day period starting Aug. 13. He said South and North Korea should discuss the joint renunciation of force, signing a non-aggression pact, and exchanging permanent representative offices.

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#90227u0883 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 15) UPI - Chicago Bulls basketball star Michael Jordan said he will not support a boycott of Nike products by the civil rights group Operation PUSH, calling the action ''unfair.''

Jordan, one of several prominent figures the athletic shoe manufacturer has hired to endorse its products, issued a statement Tuesday that agreed with PUSH's goals but not with its method.

''While all of corporate America needs to provide opportunities for qualified blacks to go up the corporate ladder ... it's unfair to single out Nike just because it's one of the top companies in the industry,'' he said.

PUSH has approached Nike and asked it to provide more jobs and better economic opportunity for minorities. The boycott demand came Saturday after Nike officials questioned PUSH's motivation. Nike said PUSH had recently taken a donation from Reebok, one of Nike's largest competitors.

Jordan is the only high-profile Nike endorser to comment either way on the proposed boycott. Film maker Spike Lee and baseball-football standout Bo Jackson, who have also appeared in Nike ads, have not addressed the dispute.

Meanwhile, Philip Knight, Nike's co-founder, chairman and chief executive officer, made his first public comments on the issue Tuesday, defending the Beaverton, Ore.-based company's minority-hiring practices.

Nike's objections to Reebok's associations with PUSH ''are not a frivolous diversion,'' Knight told The Oregonian newspaper in an interview published Wednesday. He declined to provide details about the relationship but said he believes the issue runs deeper than a $6,000 ad Reebok ran in PUSH's magazine last month.

Nike abruptly canceled talks with Operation PUSH officials planned this week at its Beaverton headquarters to discuss affirmative action goals after learning of the Reebok ad. Nike officials claimed it represented a donation and therefore a conflict of interest, a claim PUSH leaders called unfounded.

Knight said he considers black consumers an important part of Nike's market and that his company has a social responsibility to respond to the black community's concerns.

Though there are no black board members or vice presidents at the company, they are part of ''Nike's future,'' he said. But Knight added, ''We won't let PUSH dictate when or who.''

Knight said it was too early to determine the boycott's effects. ''Ask me in a month,'' he said. But he added, ''This is not a fight between Nike and the black community. It's a fight between Nike and PUSH.''

A financial analyst said the boycott has not been effective, although it may be too early to tell.

''It's difficult to envision the boycott working, unless you really see an impact on the sales and that's certainly not the case,'' said Fred Anschel an athletic footwear analyst for Dean Witter.

Nike stock went up one point Tuesday to 76 3/4 a share.

PUSH leaders Tuesday urged supporters to put electrical tape over the logos on their Nike shoes as part of the boycott. The Rev. Tyrone Crider, national president of the group, also called for a ''direct action campaign'' in 10 cities across the country. He did not specify what that direct action would be.

Other companies that have settled with PUSH after boycott threats include Burger King and beverage makers Adolph Coors Co., Anheuser-Busch, 7-Up Co. and Heublein.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 15) UPI - General Homes Corp., once one of the biggest home builders in the nation, has filed for protection from creditors and reorganization under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy code.

The Houston-based builder filed Chapter 11 Tuesday in response to an involuntary bankruptcy petition filed against the firm July 10 by three creditors claiming they were owed $561,400 in interest payments.

General's corporate debt of $365 million includes $225 million owed to senior lenders and $140 million owed other creditors. The firm - which builds homes in Houston, Dallas, Phoenix, Ariz.; and Orlando, Fla., Tampa, Fla., and south Florida - has been behind in paying interest on subordinated notes since May 1988.

General's mortgage company, FGMC Inc., is not affected by the filing, but the firm shut down mortgage offices in Orlando and Phoenix last week.

''There was a tremendous amount of uncertainty created by that (July involuntary) filing,'' General Homes President William Le Sage said Wednesday. ''That made a difficult environment in which to operate.

''Since that filing, we immediately set forth trying to posture ourselves to avoid any disruption this filing might have on our business. We were able to get court approval to continue to pay our subcontractors and suppliers, which is really what causes most of the disruption involved in Chapter 11 filing. That approval is a significant step in reorganizing.''

U.S. Bankruptcy Court Judge Letitia Clark last week approved the plan to ensure prompt payment of employees, subcontractors and suppliers.

The company, which has an inventory of 370 completed houses in Houston and nearly 800 homes in various stages of completion overall, will continue to operate much as usual, Le Sage said.

Some actions, including taking new lots and starting houses, will require approval of the bankruptcy court.

General sold 460 Houston houses in the first half of this year to lead the city in sales volume, according to American Metro/Study Corp. The company dominates Houston's ''starter home'' market, which sells houses under $90,000 to young families.

The Chapter 11 filing will have a significant impact on the Houston home building market, said housing analyst Mike Inselmann of American Metro/Study.

''You're talking about taking the most active builder in the Houston market and giving them a severe handicap,'' he said.

General has no timetable for reorganization, but Le Sage said he was optimistic the company would emerge in good shape.

''We look foward to a very good outcome where we can deal with our creditors and the outcome will maximize the value of the company,'' he said. ''That could take a lot of various forms, and it would be difficult to speculate on what that could be.

''Texas is a very positive investment environment, and that is a big plus for us in this situation.''

General, founded in 1973, became one of the biggest home builders in the nation. But when the Texas economy took a nose dive in the 1980s, General's home sales declined, dropping from 5,407 in 1982 to 2,927 in 1989.

General's new, inexpensive homes faced stiff competition from foreclosed houses on the resale market, which lured buyers with bargain prices.

The company also was squeezed when its sizable land holdings were devalued by the Texas real estate crash in the late 1980s.

General lost $8.2 million on sales of $51.6 million in the quarter ending June 30, compared with a loss of $6.7 million on $65.5 million in revenues in the same period last year.

In 1989, General lost $155 million on revenues of $258.5 million.

General has tried to pare costs through several rounds of layoffs - including 200 workers laid off last week - and now has about 200 employees.

About a year ago, General Homes co-founder and former chairman Jeffrey Payson left the firm.

General Homes is not the only Houston builder to file for Chapter 11 reorganization. Gemcraft Homes Inc., once the biggest builders in Texas, sought bankruptcy protection in March 1989, and eventually was sold by the bankruptcy court to investors who have been rebuilding it as a new company.

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#90227u0904 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - President Bush is considering mobilizing the military reserves to help fill in for the tens of thousands of active-duty men and women who are shipping out to Saudi Arabia, U.S. officials said Wednesday.

The president can call up to 200,000 reservists for up to 180 days without having to obtain prior congressional approval, the Pentagon said.

If called up, most of the Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine reservists would probably remain in the United States to carry out the jobs of the military personnel being shipped to Saudi Arabia to deter an Iraqi attack, said a Pentagon spokesman.

Air Force Maj. Douglas Hart said reservists often help the active military anyway, with Air Force reserve and Air National Guard units routinely volunteering to help refuel military planes and haul cargo.

The military reserves were last mobilized in 1970, when President Richard Nixon called on 26,000 of them to help during a postal strike.

The last time the reserves were called up during a conflict was in January 1968, during the Tet offensive in the Vietnam War. A total of 35,280 were mobilized through December 1969.

The Army reserves consist of 593,832 men and women; the Navy reserves, 238,061; the Marine reserves, 80,128; and the Air Force reserves, 136,331.

The mobilization was being considered as a vanguard of 45,000 heavily armed Marines began arriving in Saudi Arabia in a dramatic increase in the number of U.S. troops confronting Iraq in Operation Desert Shield.

At the same time, a fourth aircraft carrier battle group led by the USS John F. Kennedy and accompanied by five warships and two auxiliary ships were preparing to leave Norfolk, Va., Wednesday for the Middle East.

''The Kennedy battle group will be available for potential relief of the Eisenhower battle group or additional tasking to be determined by rapidly changing events in the area,'' the Pentagon said.

A defense official said Tuesday there were about 26,000 U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia and that Operation Desert Shield will ultimately involve ''in excess of 100,000'' U.S. ground troops.

The Pentagon officially has refused to detail the number of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia or the number of those being sent there. Bush ordered the force into the oil kingdom to deter a possible Iraqi attack after Iraq occupied neighboring Kuwait Aug. 2.

A defense official said about 16,000 Marines - a full brigade - would be in Saudi Arabia within days and that a total of 45,000 combat Marines - a full Marine Expeditionary Force - was going to Saudi Arabia.

In addition, the Marines will have more than 100 aircraft - 60 AV-8B Harrier jump jets, 48 F/A-18 fighters and 20 A-6 ground attack planes - along with nearly 25 attack helicopters, 70 tanks and more than 90 155mm howitzers.

The United States has already sent soldiers from the Army's 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C.; the 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Ky.; the 24th Infantry (Mechanized) Division, Fort Stewart, Ga.; and the 11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, Fort Bliss, Texas.

The Air Force has also sent more than 100 F-15 and F-16 jet fighters and five AWACS early warning radar planes.

A U.S. naval armada, numbering about 50 ships and including three aircraft carrier battle groups, is converging of the region, with some ships already taking up stations in the Persian Gulf, the north Indian Ocean and the Red Sea.

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SPOKANE, WA (AUG. 15) UPI - The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission has started what it calls an ''informal investigation'' of trading practices at the antiquated Spokane Stock Exchange.

In a letter delivered Tuesday to exchange members, the SEC's Enforcement Division asked the exchange to provide documents covering surveillance

procedures, complaints and other matters.

Exchange compliance officer John Campbell said the inquiry could determine whether the nearly 100-year-old exchange can continue operating as the nation's only exchange without an electronic quotation system.

''The Spokane Stock Exchange is a problem to them,'' he said. ''(Exchange members) have not progressed with modern technology.''

The exchange was established in the 1890s to provide capital for the mining industry in eastern Washington, northern Idaho and British Columbia.

Despite efforts to diversify, it is still dominated by highly speculative mining stocks. Workers manually post bid and ask prices on a large board at the exchange, which has about 45 stocks.

Due to the lack of electronic quotations, stocks listed solely on the Spokane exchange are encumbered by regulations for over-the-counter stocks that discourage investors.

For months the exchange has been studying implementation of electronic trading.

The SEC inquiry includes questions about:

-Surveillance and disciplinary procedures, including any examination of member firms undertaken in the last year.

-Handling of ''Regulation T'' extension requests, which if granted allow broker clients to delay or cancel payment for stock.

-Information about brokers who sought membership on the exchange or about companies that applied for listing of their securities.

Campbell said the requests are a follow-up to an inspection last year by a special SEC team.

''I've been expecting a letter of comment regarding deficiencies,'' he said. ''This doesn't give me any heartburn.''

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - The Treasury Department said Wednesday it has set a new deadline of noon Eastern time for the submission of non-competitive tenders, which include small investors, for its securities auctions.

The change will take effect with the sale of 13-week and 26-week Treasury bills scheduled for Nov. 5, the department said. The current deadline for non-competitive bids is 1 p.m. EDT. The deadline for competitive bids will remain 1 p.m.

The Treasury Department said ''the non-competitive submission deadline is being changed to permit auction results to be released to the financial markets more quickly,'' at about 2 p.m. instead of 3 p.m.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has made an offer to Iran. Western diplomats believe he is trying to stop any effort by Iran to take advantage of Iraq's involvement in Kuwait. Tehran radio says Saddam offered to pull his troops away from border territory Iraq captured in its war with Iran. He also offered to share sovereignty over the Shatt al Arab waterway in the northern Persian Gulf.

King Hussein of Jordan arrived in Washington this morning for talks on the Middle East situation. He will meet President Bush at Bush's vacation home in Maine tomorrow. Hussein has made himself a mediator in the crisis. Bush says the Jordanian king must stop any shipments of Iraqi goods through Jordan. If he does NOT, Bush says he may use U-S forces to block them.

Rival black groups armed with spears, clubs and hand-made guns fought today in squatter areas near Johannesburg, South Africa. Army troops went into the area to help police, who since Monday have NOT been able to stop the fighting. A hand grenade exploded among a group of police, wounding one officer. In another incident, a man fired a rifle at police. Police wounded the man but he escaped. In the three days of fighting, at least 99 people are reported dead.

Japan focused on the Middle East crisis today, the 45th anniversary of Japan's defeat in World War Two. Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu attended a memorial service for Japan's war dead and immediately went back to work on on his nation's response to the Persian Gulf crisis. During the memorial service, Kaifu made NO reference to the Mideast situation, but said, ''It is our obligation to work for the establishment of world peace.''

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#90227u0947 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - Chinese and Western sources take issue with Beijing officials who say China has freed all but 355 people jailed for participating in last year's pro-democracy movement. Chinese sources with public security contacts say thousands of Chinese are toiling within a network of ''labor reform'' camps. A Chinese source says more than

10-thousand prisoners work under harsh conditions at a little-known labor camp just 100 miles from Beijing.

New York police escorted ambulances entering and leaving the Rikers Island Prison after a clash between inmates and guards that capped a two-day blockade by guards angered by continued unrest. Emergency vehicles took injured guards and inmates from the island to hospitals after fighting erupted yesterday. Officials say at least 122 people were hospitalized, 30 of them guards. The only land access to the island was blocked for two days by guards demanding action after a fellow guard was beaten by three inmates last week.

NASA officials begin tests tomorrow to see just what the flawed Hubble Space Telescope can do. They are hopeful because pictures from the main camera are better than expected. The Hubble's 94-inch mirror was ground wrong and it can NOT focus on starlight. But after the mirror's curvature is measured, corrective mirrors may be installed in the wide-field mirror.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - With the videotaped confessions fresh in their minds, jurors began their seventh day of deliberations Wednesday in the trial of three youths accused of the rape and attempted murder of a woman jogger last year in Central Park.

The 10-man, two-woman jury Tuesday requested the replaying of the confessions of Antron McCray, 16, and Raymond Santana, 15. It was the third viewing since the trial began and the panel once again heard the teens describe in graphic detail the night of violence in Central Park on April 19, 1989.

The third youth, Yusef Salaam, 16, made incriminating statements to a detective but did not sign a written confession or make a video.

The jury Tuesday also asked to rehear testimony about times of the four attacks preceding and four attacks following the assault on the 31-year-old investment banker.

As the jury settled into the jury box at state Supreme Court in Manhattan, apparently attempting to piece together a chronology of violence, a court reporter read from thousands of pages of trial testimony.

Prosecutors have approximated the time of the rape between 9:25 p.m. and 9:40 p.m. April 19, 1989, making the woman the fifth of nine victims.

Antron McCray, 16, Yusef Salaam, 16, and Raymond Santanta, 15, are accused of being part of a gang of up to 30 youths who rampaged through the park,

robbing and beating victims. They are on trial in state Supreme Court in Manhattan on 13 criminal charges, including rape and attempted murder.

A neighbor of the female jogger testified during the trial that the woman was seen heading for her evening run about 9 p.m. or 9:15 p.m.

Several victims - all joggers or bicyclists - were competitive athletes who registered the times of their laps by checking an illuminated clock on the side of the Newsweek building that can be seen from the south end of the park.

The victims used that information to gauge the time of their confrontations with the gang.

The first victim was a bicyclist, Michael Vigna, who said he spotted the group of teens about 9:05 p.m. north of the 102nd Street transverse. One of the teens took a swing at him but missed as he rode by, he testified.

Next was a homeless man who was beaten into unconsciousness nere riding their tandem bicycle in the same area when they were charged by the group about 9:12 p.m. Dean said several youths grabbed at her and almost ripped her off the bike.

There is a gap in time until the attack on a male jogger, Robert Garner, who was forced off the northern stretch of the reservoir jogging track and punched sometime after 9:30 p.m.

Prosecutors said it was during those missing minutes that the gang jumped the woman jogger on the 102nd Street transverse, beat her senseless with a metal pipe, dragged her into the woods, raped her and left her for dead.

Prosecutors said the gang emerged from the woods in search of more violence, attacking Garner and joggers David Lewis and David Goode on the reservoir jogging track.

Another jogger, John Loughlin, testified he saw the group mugging someone believed to be Garner about 9:45 p.m. Loughlin became a victim himself minutes later, when the group beat him into unconsciousness with a piece of wood.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 78.50-81.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 140.00-141.40 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 52.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $265.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.00-$115.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $476.25-$481.50; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $114.00-$122.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 288.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-87.25 c-lb.

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#90227u0974 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (AUG. 15) UPI - Prime Minister V.P. Singh told his nation Wednesday on India's Independence Day there will be no compromise with secessionist rebels, who marked the day with more violence and observances to protest the official celebrations.

At least 23 people were killed in Sikh separatist violence.

In the most serious incident, a bomb concealed in luggage on a small bus exploded in the northern part of Punjab state, killing seven passengers

and wounding 10 others, police said.

At least 11 other people were slain in scattered violence in Punjab, authorities said. Five people were killed in New Delhi and 17 wounded by a Sikh separatist bombing shortly before midnight near a Hindu temple.

Many residents of Punjab observed a general strike called by Sikh militants, who have been fighting to create an independent Sikh state of ''Khalistan.'' Khalistani flags were raised in at least three villages, authorities said.

In the capital of northern Jammu and Kashmir state, Gov. Girish Saxena presided over independence day celebrations attended by several hundred paramilitary police and government officials while half of Srinagar's 800,000 people were confined to their homes by a curfew.

Most other residents observed a curfew imposed on the entire Kashmir Valley by Moslem militants fighting for independence from India, while militants observed a ''black day'' by hanging black flags from lamps, mosques and government buildings.

Militants bombed two targets and fired a rocket at a military patrol in scattered incidents across the valley but no casualties were reported.

Moslem militants have been waging a secessionist struggle for more than two years but the movement gained widespread support in mid-January after troops fired on a demonstration and killed at least 35 people.

Prime Minister Singh vowed in his speech he would not compromise with the militants and that India should use ''love and weapons both'' to heal the fragmented society.

''If we have made mistakes, we are prepared to correct them. But there cannot be any compromise with separatist elements,'' Singh said in a speech at the Red Fort, where Indian leaders first unfurled the country's flag after independence from Britain in 1947.

''Our policy is clear,'' he said. ''We will win (the hearts of) ... the people with love but we will defeat the enemies of the nation with weapons. We will use love and weapons both.''

The Independence Day speech at the 17th century Red Fort has been a tradition since the country's first prime minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, delivered an address there Aug. 15, 1947, the day India gained its freedom from 200 years of British colonial rule.

Around the country of 820 million, Indians celebrated Independence Day by flying flags, listening to speeches, watching parades and releasing

colorful balloons.

But celebrations in northeastern Bihar state, India's poorest, were also marred by violence and arson to protest plans to reserve a large percentage of government jobs for people considered socially and educationally backward.

Protesters in Bihar set ablaze at least two cars near the site of the state government's independence day celebrations. They also attacked and torched several railway stations in the state and chanted anti-government slogans.

Authorities said 133 protesters were arrested in one incident.

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#90227u0983 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - Congress doesn't use screaming sirens or flashing lights to patrol the nation's highways, relying instead on cold, hard cash to clear the roads of drugged and drunken drivers.

With increasing frequency, Congress is using the power of the federal purse to virtually dictate to the states how to handle drunken drivers or drug users on their highways.

If states refuse to comply, their share of highway construction money is cut. But, if they join the program, they are rewarded with more for highway safety programs.

The latest congressional raid in this area, once the exclusive province of states and local jurisdictions, is in the transportation appropriations bills approved by the Senate and House before the August recess.

Although the provisions in the two bills are not identical - a compromise has to be reached in conference - the intent is the same: get drug users off the road.

The proposal, initiated in the House, would withhold 2 percent of a state's highway money unless the state passes a law requiring suspension or revocation for a minimum of half a year the driver's license of anyone convicted of a federal or state drug violation.

The Senate, however, approved a 5 percent cut in highway funds, climbing to 10 percent if a state fails to comply within four years after the law is enacted.

Surprisingly, the Senate gives the state an out: if a governor certifies he opposes the license program and the legislature adopts a resolution

expressing its opposition, the program would not apply.

The Senate, taking into consideration past reaction, apparently is convinced the state will go along.

''According to polls, the concept of withholding the driver's license of drug offenders is supported by about 80 percent of Americans,'' the committee report said. ''The committee expects that the Senate language will be effective in encouraging states to consider and enact license suspension law.''

The withholding of highway money is the same tool Congress used to force the states, despite the reluctance of a number of them, to raise the minimum age for drinking to 21. All have now complied.

Congress uses the ''carrot'' to deal with drunken drivers, giving special grants to states that adopt ''countermeasures of proven effectiveness to prevent drunk driving.''

States become eligible for the basic grants by enacting laws that, at a miminum, require prompt license suspension, mandatory jail sentences for second offenses and a maximum blood-alcohol level of .10. The grants are also awarded to states that lift registrations and require the return of license plates.

Even larger supplemental grants can be made to states that outlaw open containers or drinking in a car.

Also already in effect is a program enacted by Congress that punishes states - through a cut of 5 percent in their highway money - if more than half the drivers in the state exceed the 55 mph speed limit. A 65 mph limit has since been approved for non-urban area roads.

The Senate transportation appropriations subcommittee, chaired by wealthy and liberal Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., has targeted another type of scoflaw in its efforts to make the highways safer.

Approved by the Senate was a provision which would prohibit the use of radar detectors - the so-called ''fuzzbusters'' - by truck and bus drivers to evade speeding laws. Federal law does not prohibit the use of the detectors although some states - Virginia and Connecticutt among them - do.

''While the general prohibition of radar detectors is properly left to the states, the use of radar detectors in vehicles in interstate commerce is an appropriate arena for the federal government to regulate,'' the committee report said.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
SALES	
Net Income (per share)	
Ambase Corp (2nd Q)	
$770,000,000	$911,000,000
d-$106,000,000	$30,000,000 (.90)
d-Deficit.	
Amer Israeli Paper (2nd Q 6-30)	
$60,595,000	$56,839,000
$2,248,000 (.59)	$268,000 (.07)
Amer Oil & Gas Corp (2nd Q 6-30)	
$107,478,000	$25,552,000
$2,847,000 (.07)	ad-$3,039,000
ad-Deficit, restated to reflect an investment accounted for using the equity method.	
APL Corp (3rd Q 6-30)	
$32,365,000	$33,176,000
d-$11,480,000	d-$12,048,000
d-Deficit.	
Assoc Natural Gas (3rd Q 6-30)	
$88,173,000	$74,694,000
$982,000 (.10)	a-$601,000
a-Per share figure not reported.	
Bolt Beranek & Newman Inc (4th Q 6-30)	
$69,280,000	$71,921,000
a-$3,821,000 (.21)	bd-$22,743,000 (1.27)
a-Includes pretax gain of 1,904,000.	
bd-Deficit, includes restructuring charge of $5,136,000.	
Burlington Indus Capital (3rd Q 7-30)	
$589,376,000	$651,565,000
d-$20,654,000	$2,393,000 (.18)
d-Deficit.	

Carolco Pictures (2nd Q 6-30)
$80,950,000 $34,178,000
$8,759,000 (.28) $2,612,000 (.09)

Centuri Inc (2nd Q 6-30)
$53,092,000 $44,913,000
d-$2,245,000 $21,000 (.02)
d-Deficit.

Citizens Utilities (2nd Q 6-30)
$88,455,000 $80,555,000
$23,265,000 (.52) $20,638,000 (.45)

CRSS Inc (4th Q 6-30)
$121,144,000 $155,264,000
$4,777,000 (.32) a-$5,643,000 (.47)
a-Includes a $1,690,000 or 14 cents a share gain from the sale of an investment.

Eastern Airlines (2nd Q)
$545,200,000 $89,600,000
ad-$35,600,000 bd-$129,300,000
ad-Deficit, includes a gain of $114,800,000 on the sale of assets.
bd-Deficit, Includes a $261,800,000 gain.

Geo International Corp (3rd Q 6-30)
$40,998,000 $42,365,000
$335,000 (.02) d-$2,060,000
d-Deficit.

Germania Bank (2nd Q)
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d-$25,682,000 d-$441,000
d-Deficit.

Hancock Fabrics Inc (2nd Q 7-29)
$87,163,000 $78,014,000
$5,824,000 (.51) $5,174,000 (.41)

Henley Group Inc (2nd Q)
$488,000,000 $360,000,000
ad-$49,000,000 d-$28,000,000
ad-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

Hotel Investors Trust (2nd Q 6-30)
$30,288,000 $29,623,000
d-$1,096,000 $144,000 (.01)

d-Deficit.

ICH Corp (2nd Q 6-30)
$476,184,000 $454,761,000
$6,176,000 (.13) $7,230,000 (.15)

Intelligent Elec (3rd Q 7-31)
$360,564,000 $170,670,000
$7,476,000 (.52) $2,775,000 (.27)

Longs Drug Stores (2nd Q)
$558,687,000 $503,365,000
$15,660,000 (.77) $15,248,000 (.74)

May Dept Stores (2nd Q 8-4)
$2,213,000,000 $2,042,000,000
a-$78,000,000 (.58) $71,000,000 (.49)
a-Income from continuing operations.

MDC Holdings Inc (2nd Q 6-30)
$147,567,000 $192,700,000
$2,174,000 (.11) d-$5,309,000
d-Deficit.

Novo-Nordisk (2nd Q 6-30)
$320,700,000 $276,300,000
$31,800,000 (1.00) $31,600,000 (.75)

OMI Corp (2nd Q 6-30)
$62,442,000 $44,147,000
$4,028,000 (.12) $1,409,000 (.06)

Owens-Illinois Inc (2nd Q 6-30)
$1,047,200,000 $956,500,000
$16,800,000 (.45) d-$42,200,000
d-Deficit.

Petroleum Heat & Power (2nd Q 6-30)
$90,954,000 $83,104,000
d-$15,240,000 d-$9,666,000
d-Deficit.

Pratt Hotel Corp (2nd Q 6-30)
$70,491,000 $62,896,000
d-$7,592,000 d-$3,264,000
d-Deficit.

Rally's Inc (4th Q 7-1)

$44,880,000 $32,676,000
$1,494,000 (.22) $791,000 (.21)

Richfood Holdings Inc (1st Q 7-21)
$237,671,000 $246,438,000
$1,866,000 (.18) d-$366,000
d-Deficit.

Rouse Co (2nd Q 6-30)
$120,466,000 $116,934,000
d-$3,362,000 $4,103,000 (.07)
d-Deficit.

Southeastrn Mich Gas (2nd Q 6-30)
$41,731,000 $38,993,000
ad-$977,000 $110,000 (.01)
ad-Deficit, includes $900,000 provision for possible refund payments.

Southwest Gas Corp (2nd Q 6-30)
$171,744,000 $183,378,000
d-$6,057,000 a-$388,000
a-Per share figure not reported.
d-Deficit.

Staples Inc (2nd Q 7-24)
$64,513,000 $37,085,000
$252,000 (.03) $71,000 (.01)

Sysco Corp (4th Q 6-30)
$1,959,026,000 $1,841,988,000
$38,612,000 (.42) $31,757,000 (.35)

Toys 'R' Us (2nd Q 7-29)
$964,034,000 $775,499,000
$26,494,000 (.09) $23,482,000 (.08)

Turner Broadcasting (2nd Q)
$322,800,000 $264,500,000
d-$10,700,000 d-$3,200,000
d-Deficit.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 15) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Wednesday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 51-57.

-30- 459

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LONDON (AUG. 15) UPI - An American and two Britons died and another man was seriously injured in the collision of two British jet fighters off the east coast of Britain, the Royal Air Force said Wednesday.

Two RAF Tornados crashed over the North Sea Tuesday, bringing to 19 the number of Tornados lost in British airspace since 1983.

Three men were killed, including U.S. Air Force Maj. Dennis Wise, a married 36-year-old from Iowa who was training as a pilot in Britain as part of an exchange program between the RAF and the Air Force.

An RAF spokesman said rescuers had not recovered the bodies of Wise or Flight Lt. John Bowles, the British navigator of Wise's jet.

The two men in the second Tornado were picked out of the frigid waters of the North Sea by a Sea King helicopter, the spokesman said.

Squadron leader Gordon Graham, 37, the navigator of the second craft, was pronounced dead at a Grimsby hospital. The pilot, whose name was not released, survived and was in serious condition, officials said.

The collision occurred 10 miles east of Spurn Head, which is 200 miles northeast of London.

The two Tornados - arrow-shaped, two-seater jet fighters - were on routine training flights from RAF bases in Laarbruch, West Germany, and Honington, England, the spokesman said.

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WAYNESBORO, Va. (AUG. 15) UPI - Lew DeWitt, an original member of the Statler Brothers country and Western group, died at his home Wednesday morning at the age of 53.

Statler Brothers spokeswoman Ann Peters confirmed that DeWitt, who had been in poor health, died about 9:35 a.m.

DeWitt's manager, Chet Fitzgerald, told a Staunton radio station the cause of death appeared to be cardiac arrest brought on by his poor health.

In a brief statement issued by Peters, the Statler Brothers, who are on a road tour now, said they visited DeWitt a couple of weeks ago and knew he was in poor health but were stunned by his death.

''We're shocked,'' the Statler Brothers said in their statement. ''Our prayers go out to his family.''

DeWitt, a tenor and guitarist, quit the Statler Brothers in 1982 after 18 years with the group when he developed an intestinal disorder that landed him in the University of Virginia hospital and nearly killed him.

DeWitt recovered and shortly after embarked on a solo career.

DeWitt wrote one of the Statler's biggest hits, ''Flowers on the Wall.''

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - President Bush lifted Wednesday a set of trade restrictions on East Germany to give American businesses a jump on gaining a commercial foothold in its coming unification with West Germany.

Bush signed an executive order that exempted East Germany from the Jackson-Vanik Amendment to the Trade Act of 1974, which until the democratic revolution of 1989 denied many East European countries trade privileges with the United States.

The amendment was aimed at the Soviet Union and other communist countries that restricted emigration to the West. In the last several years, liberalized emigration policies and the emergence of non-communist governments in Eastern Europe has led to a reevaluation of its application.

The action taken by Bush makes East Germany eligible for trade-promoting loan guarantees and credits from the Export-Import Bank. One major step it also could have authorized - a grant of most-favored-nation status, which would have made East German exports to the United States eligible for lowest-possible tariffs - was not taken because of the few months remaining before full German unification, administration officials said.

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OMAHA (AUG. 15) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves 550; steers and heifers steady to 25 cents lower; trade

cautious; slaughter cows near steady with last Wednesday; steers choice 2-3 few 4 1100-1300 lbs. 77.00-77.50, 2 packages 77.75-78.00, few select and choice 2-3 1075-1150 lbs. 76.00- 76.50; heifers choice 2-3 few 4 1000-1150 lbs. 77.00-77.75; cows breaking 54.75-60.50, boning 54.00-62.50, low to average cutter 50.00-55.50.

Hogs 1500; butchers $1.00 to $1.25 lower; No 1-3 220-250 lbs. 57.00-57.25, 100 head 57.50, No 1-2 217 lbs. 56.25, No 2-3 250-280 lbs. 56.00-57.00; sows under 500 lbs. 50 cent to $1.00 lower, over 500 lbs. 1.50 lower; No 1-3 350-500 lbs. 50.50-50.75, No 2-3 500-650 lbs. 52.00.

Sheep 25; no test.

-30- 890

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PORTLAND, Maine (AUG. 15) UPI - Lobstermen upset about the rock-bottom prices being paid them by dealers gave about 500 tasty clawed creatures Wednesday to soup kitchens, day care centers and lunch programs for the elderly.

Ed Blackmore, president of the Maine Lobstermens Association, said the giveaway was aimed at drawing attention to the plight of the lobstermen, who have been receiving between $1.75 and $1.85 per pound for their catches in recent weeks.

''This is an opportunity for the industry to make a statement,'' Blackmore said. ''Maybe the public will look at this, maybe there will be some lobster feeds for some friends and neighbors, and maybe we will help the industry at the same time.''

Under the watchful eyes of reporters and television cameras, lobstermen lifted containers of the lobsters from a white boat onto the rough wooden planking of Widgery Wharf on the Portland waterfront. The lobsters were tossed into coolers brought to the wharf by representatives of several food programs.

''I've got a lot of recipes if anyone needs to know how to cook these things,'' said Greg Griffin, a lobsterman from Cape Elizabeth. ''They are cheaper than hamburger, and I think we may be heading for chicken wings.''

The low prices, down to around $2.85 per pound on the local retail market, are the result of several factors, including a healthy supply of the creatures and a declining market for all luxury foods caused by the slowdown of the economy.

Another problem is that lobsters shed their shells in late July and early August, and ''shedders'' become weakened and cannot stand the rigors of

shipping.

''For about three weeks a year we have lobsters which shed their shells and cannot be shipped any great distances,'' said Alan Caron, director of the Maine Lobster Marketing Group, which organized the lobster giveway. ''They stay in this market, and Maine people have to consume them.''

Blackmore said the lobster price problems would get better if the state would take a more active part in marketing the creatures, and in providing research to find ways to successfully move the ''shedders'' during the summer season.

For Ken Cleaves, the industry's problems caused an unexpected windfall for his church's soup kitchen. Cleaves is a member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, which operates a weekend hot lunch program for homeless and poor people in one of Portland's poorer neighborhoods.

''We are going to make a lobster stew, and maybe some lobsters rolls,'' Cleaves said.

''I think our people may be a little surprised, although we do feed them clam chowder once in a awhile,'' he said.

In all, about 10 programs were expected to benefit from the lobster giveaway, according to Caron.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - Investigators are trying to find eight-thousand bottes of a malt drink from Colombia that may be tainted with cocaine. They believe drug traffickers dissolved the cocaine and then lost track of the drink- Poly Malta de Bavaria- in the United States. One man who drank the contaminated drink has been in a coma for three weeks.

A new proposal calls for banks to pay an additional one-BILLION dollars a year to boost the fund the government uses to guarantee deposits of failed banks. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation... which pays depositors when banks fail... proposed the four and one-half percent rise. The increase would go into effect next year.

Basketball star Michael Jordan refuses to back an Operation PUSH boycott of athletic shoe-maker Nike, calling the protest ''unfair.'' Jordan said in a statement yesterday that he agrees with the civil rights group's goals, but NOT its methods. Nike chief Philip Knight yesterday defended the company's minority hiring practices. PUSH has asked Nike to provide more jobs for minorities.

The Interior Department announced tougher rules yesterday for operators of mines on public lands. Those with a record of NOT complying with clean-up rules will have to post bonds to cover all costs of reclamation. Operators who use chemicals such as cyanide also must meet the higher bond requirements.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door -lower.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 58-61.

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GALVESTON, Texas (AUG. 15) UPI - Another 1,850 young Kemp's ridley sea turtles were released into the Gulf of Mexico Wednesday as part of a program to increase the population of the endangered turtle.

The turtles hatched on a Mexican beach last July, were collected when they were a bit larger than a silver dollar and moved to the Galveston National Marine Fisheries Service laboratory to grow large enough to have a better chance for survival in the wild.

The turtles released Wednesday had grown to about the size of a small dinner plate, said Neal Baxter, acting director of the Fisheries Service lab.

The release took place about 75 miles south of Galveston in waters 100 to 180 feet deep, raising concerns by some conservationists who claim the young turtles cannot survive in such deep waters.

But Baxter said the turtles should survive because they will seek food at the water's surface.

''They're not big enough to go to the bottom for food,'' he said. ''Normally, at that size, they are searching for food near the surface. We felt this would be the best place to put them.''

For a decade, the annual ''head start'' turtle classes have been released in near-shore waters off Port Aransas, where they fed on crab and

eventually migrated to bay waters along the gulf and Atlantic coasts.

''The 1989 class of head start Kemp's ridley sea turtles is being released much too far from shore just to accommodate the shrimp industry,'' said Carole Allen, founder of Help Endangered Animals - Ridley Turtles.

In one week after the shrimping season reopened in Texas waters last month 34 dead sea turtles - half of them ridleys - were found dead on Texas beaches near which shrimping activity was heaviest.

Autopsy tests on the turtles have not been completed but officials said they have not been able to tie the deaths directly to shrimping. Federal law requires shrimp nets to be equipped with turtle excluder devices, or TEDS, which allow turtles to escape the nets before drowning.

Shrimpers oppose use of the devices, claiming they also allow large portions of the shrimp catch to escape.

This year's release twice was delayed - in October after Hurricane Jerry destroyed the building where the turtles are housed and in June after a major tanker explosion dumped nearly 3.9 million gallons of oil into the Gulf of Mexico.

The turtles released Wednesday brought to more than 16,000 the number of head start ridley sea turtles returned to the wild over the last 12 years. There is no exact count of the number of Kemp's ridleys, but Baxter said this year about 500 females nested on the Mexican beach where the hatchlings are collected.

''We don't have a count on the males, and we don't know for sure that each female comes (ashore to nest) every year,'' he said. ''But that's the only real number we have.''

Tagged turtles from the head start program have been found as far away as Ireland, he said.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	cy	78	63	.09
Anchorage	pc	74	61	....
Asheville	pc	86	65	.19
Atlanta	pc	92	72	....
Baltimore	pc	86	66	....
Billings	sy	93	65	....

Birmingham f	95	69	....
Bismarck sy	83	53	....
Boston sy	82	66	....
Brownsville pc	93	76	....
Buffalo sy	74	56	....
Burlington Vt. pc	76	55	....
Charleston S.C.cy	93	74	....
Charlotte pc	93	69	.31
Chicago pc	80	66	....
Cincinnati sy	84	61	....
Cleveland sy	75	55	....
Columbus Ohio sy	82	56	....
Dallas sy	94	75	....
Denver pc	81	56	....
Des Moines pc	80	62	....
Detroit pc	78	56	....
Duluth f	81	42	....
El Paso cy	86	66	.03
Evansville pc	83	58	....
Fargo sy	80	50	....
Hartford sy	83	59	....
Honolulu pc	92	77	....
Houston pc	97	73	....
Indianapolis pc	78	55	....
Jackson Miss. pc	95	68	....
Jacksonville ts	89	72	.06
Kansas City ts	81	70	.02
Las Vegas ts	94	73	....
Little Rock pc	85	73	....
Los Angeles pc	75	68	....
Louisville sy	86	64	....
Memphis pc	88	71	....
Miami Beach pc	88	83	....
Milwaukee pc	82	68	....
Minneapolis f	85	62	....
Nashville pc	87	67	....
New Orleans sy	95	70	....
New York sy	85	68	....
Oklahoma City pc	92	73	....
Omaha pc	82	67	.02
Orlando ts	90	75	.01
Philadelphia sy	84	66	....
Phoenix sh	78	70	1.42
Pittsburgh sy	79	57	....
Portland Me. sy	80	57	....
Portland Ore. pc	83	61	....
Providence sy	81	63	....
Richmond pc	84	69	....

St. Louis pc	84	69	....
Salt Lake City ts	94	72	....
San Antonio pc	95	77	....
San Diego pc	72	67	.01
San Francisco pc	66	58	....
San Juan pc	88	77	.03
Seattle sy	81	57	....
Spokane sy	90	63	....
Tampa pc	89	76	....
Washington pc	85	70	....
Wichita cy	87	68	.40

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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(AUG. 15) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen r	1pm	53	12
Amsterdam cy	1pm	71	21
Ankara c	3pm	80	26
Athens c	2pm	92	33
Auckland c	12a	53	12
Beijing ts	8pm	78	26
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	75	24
Bonn pc	1pm	73	23
Brussels cy	1pm	72	22
Cairo	2pm	-	-
Casablanca c	12n	78	26
Copenhagen pc	1pm	73	23

Dakar c	12n	86	30
Dublin r	1pm	63	17
Geneva pc	1pm	74	23
Helsinki c	2pm	75	24
Hong Kong c	8pm	86	30
Jerusalem c	2pm	81	27
Karachi	5pm	-	-
Lisbon c	1pm	-	-
London cy	1pm	72	22
Madrid c	1pm	86	30
Malta c	1pm	87	30
Manila cy	8pm	83	28
Moscow r	3pm	58	14
Nairobi cy	3pm	71	22
Nassau pc	7am	84	28
New Delhi c	6pm	91	33
Nice pc	1pm	80	27
Oslo cy	1pm	62	17
Paris r	1pm	66	19
Pretoria c	2pm	62	17
Riyadh	3pm	111	44
Rome pc	1pm	82	28
Seoul c	9pm	79	26
Sofia c	2pm	83	28
Stockholm cy	1pm	72	22
Sydney c	10pm	52	11
Taipei c	8pm	83	29
Tokyo c	9pm	84	29
Tunis cy	1pm	90	32
Vienna pc	1pm	80	27
Warsaw cy	1pm	79	26

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	49	10
Caracas	8am	-	-
Havana pc	7am	77	25
Lima cy	7am	59	15
Mexico City hz	6am	56	13
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	73	23
Santiago fy	8am	37	03

Canada

Calgary c		84	28
Edmonton pc		77	25
Montreal cy		74	23
Ottawa cy		73	23
Regina r		75	23
Toronto c		74	23

Vancouver c	77	25
Winnipeg c	76	24

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

-30- 2308

#90227u1128 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

ALBANY, N.Y. (AUG. 15) UPI - The state attorney general warned consumers Wednesday that con artists may try to exploit the current Middle East crisis by selling phony investments.

Attorney General Robert Abrams said small investors are good prey for high-pressure con men who sell bogus oil, gas and precious metals schemes.

A ''con artist's best friend is a headline or television news report'' that refers to a disruption of oil supplies to the United States, Abrams said.

''Nothing works as well for a swindler as being able to point to front-page headlines ... as proof of the need for investors to 'act now' and make a quick profit,'' Abrams said. ''These investments are usually blatantly phony.''

He said a rash of so-called boiler-room salespeople will work telephones to try to push illicit investments on the unsuspecting.

He said bogus gas and oil well investments have been a staple of con artists since the Arab oil embargo of more than 15 years ago.

Abrams said investors are generally told that by buying into fake partnerships, they can reap the benefits of rising oil prices.

Abrams advised the public not to turn money over to a stranger who contacts them by phone and pressures them to act immediately to turn over their savings.

The attorney general's Bureau of Investor Protection and Securities issued a one-page investor bulletin describing phony oil and gas partnerships.

''Unfortunately, the wells in question often do not exist, are dry or out of production, or belong to someone else,'' the guide says.

So-called ''bank-financed'' precious metals programs are considered by some fraud experts to be the fastest-growing commodity telemarketing scam in the nation.

In it, an investor is asked to place 20 percent down and the salesperson supposedly arranges with a bank to finance the rest of the purchase. But a dip in the price of gold, large commissions, or even the ocassional false claim will quickly wipe out the down payment, the guide says.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - A coalition representing television makers charged Wednesday that foreign manufacturers are skirting anti-dumping rules by shipping picture tubes to Mexico for assembly and import to the United States.

The group, the Committee to Preserve American Color Television, asked the Commerce Department to impose anti-dumping duties on color picture tubes entering the United States inside television sets made in Mexico.

Two years ago, the Commerce Department ruled that Japan, Korea, Singapore and Canada were ''dumping'' picture tubes into the U.S. market.

Dumping, the sale of goods at less than fair market value, occurs when the sale price of goods in the importing country is lower than the price in the exporting country.

Since the department's finding, imports of televisions from Mexico have increased 139 percent, the group said, while the volume of imported color televisions from the Far East has dropped significantly.

Jerry Pearlman, chairman of Zenith Electronics Corp., said the ability of U.S. television manufacturers to compete profitably has been severely limited by what he called ''diversionary tactics'' of foreign manufacturers.

Color television imports from Japan have dwindled to less than 320,000 last year from 4.3 million in 1985. During the same period, imports from Mexico increased to 3.9 million from about 138,000.

''Imports did not increase because Mexican manufacturers recently developed a television-manufacturing industry,'' the group said. ''Rather, foreign manufacturers who are currently subject to anti-dumping duty orders covering color picture tubes and color televisions have discovered

a new means of evading payment of anti-dumping duties.''

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EAST BERLIN (AUG. 15) UPI - Irate farmers pelted East Germany's agriculture minister with eggs and tomatoes Wednesday during a huge demonstration in East Berlin to protest falling prices and growing surpluses in the farming sector.

More than 100,000 people participated in rallies throughout East Germany, demanding billions of dollars in government funds to prevent the complete collapse of agriculture. Some estimates put the total number of demonstrators at about 250,000.

The protest was the largest by farm workers in East Germany and the first since mass demonstrations brought down the Communist leadership last fall.

At East Berlin's downtown Alexanderplatz, more than 30,000 protesters booed government ministers, including Agriculture Minister Peter Pollack. The crowd pelted them with eggs and tomatoes and chanted ''liars, liars.'' They prevented Pollack from addressing the crowd and a small group roughed up the official.

Many demonstrators waved black flags and a small group carried a coffin onto the stage to symbolize the burial of East German farming.

''End the closing-down sale of agriculture,'' one banner demanded.

Farmers say they cannot compete against West German imports that have flooded the country since the strong West German deutsche mark replaced the weak East German currency in East Germany on July 1.

They claim that the conservative East German government of Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere failed to restructure former state-run cooperatives into competitive farms.

''This new government is no better than the communists,'' said Karl-Heinz Garling, one of the farmers demonstrating in East Berlin.

In recent weeks farmers have dumped fresh milk on fields and left bumper crops unharvested because they could not find buyers for their produce.

Forecasts show that about one-third of grain harvest and two-thirds of the potato harvest will not be sold. Farmers also fear they will not find buyers for their livestock.

''We will have a lot of cattle freezing in the fields in winter if we

cannot sell them,'' said Hans-Joachin Schultze, 55, who drove 80 miles from the Neustrelitz farming cooperative, to attend the demonstration in Berlin.

In Bonn, West Germany, East German farmers presented a petition to Agriculture Minister Ignaz Kiechle, demanding export subsidies, debt-repayment support and a swift rehabilitation of the farming sector.

Farmers complain that the $3.3 billion earmarked by the West German government to support East German agriculture is far short of real needs. Unionists addressing the demonstrators said an additional $2 billion will be needed immediately and a total of $5.7 billion in the next few years.

Trade unionists said many of the 800,000 people employed in the agricultural sector will lose their jobs, as the economic situation continues to deteriorate, forcing companies to lay off workers.

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YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, Calif. (AUG. 15) UPI - The millions of dollars it is costing to suppress the wildfires ravaging Yosemite National Park are only part of the economic damage the blazes are causing.

For starters, the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., exclusive concessionaire in the park, is losing hundreds of thousands of dollars because officials were forced to close the park as firefighters battled to control the flames and save buildings and ancient trees.

''We're really not counting our losses at this point,'' John Piomoono, Curry Co. vice president, said Wednesday. ''But as a general figure, in August, when the park is usually operating at capacity, we normally would take in several hundred thousand dollars a day.''

That figure includes hotel, motel and campsite rental revenues as well as sales at stores, shops and restaurants in Yosemite Valley and rental of such things as bicycles and horses.

Normally, as many as 20,000 people are visiting in Yosemite on any given day in the month of August, the park's busiest month.

There were nearly that many in the park last week when lightning strikes started the fires.

When the park was ordered closed Aug. 9, some 10,000 visitors remained in Yosemite Valley and had to be escorted out in caravans over the smoke-choked highway in the park.

That left only firefighters, rangers and some office staff and concession employees in the park during the battle to contain and control the raging blazes. Hotels and campagrounds remained empty of paying customers.

The Curry Co. isn't the only one hurt financially by the closure of Yosemite.

Mariposa County, which on the west side of the park, also is losing thousands of dollars a day while the park is closed. The county normally clears about $1.6 million a year - more than it collects in property taxes - from its 7 percent room tax on the facilities in Yosemite.

''That's only a small part of the problem,'' said Mariposa County Supervisor Art Baggett, a resident of the community of El Portal just outside the park's western boundary. ''We have a lot of motels, restaurants and other small businesses, mom and pop operations, which are really hurt by the park closure.''

He said operators of medium-sized and large businesses can last through temporary park closures.

''But the small store or motel owner doesn't have the financial resources to keep up his payroll and to make it through until the park reopens and the tourists come back,'' Baggett said. ''The money they are losing every day is what they would use to buy food, school clothes for their kids and pay the mortgage.''

Baggett said it would be several weeks before the total financial impact on his county and its business owners could be tallied.

However, he said the owner of one small motel just outside the park told him he was losing $1,500 a day while the park is closed.

''There is no way mom and pop businesses can deal with losses like that unless we find a way of helping them.'' Baggett said. ''That's going to be our job once the fires are out and things begin to get back to normal.

''We have to try to help these people pick their lives back up and help them deal with their losses,'' he said.

He said private citizens whose homes were burned in the Foresta area in the early days of the park fires also would need help.

''The park and the land will recover eventually. Mother Nature will see to that. But unless we can help them, there will be people who won't be able to recover from the effects of the fires,'' Baggett said.

The Tuolumne County community of Groveland, just outside Yosemite, also is

being hurt by the park closure.

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#90227u1204 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 15) UPI - President Bush gave a pep talk today to two-thousand Pentagon employees who are implementing his policy in the Middle East crisis. Bush said the military stand being taken against Iraq is- in his words- ''one of the most important deployments of allied military power since the Second World War.'' Earlier, Bush met with his security advisers apparently to be brought up to date on the crisis.

Iraq is trying to make friends with Iran, its enemy in an eight-year war. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein offered today to withdraw Iraq's troops from Iranian territory it captured during the war. He also proposed an exchange of prisoners. About 70-thousand Iraqis and 30-thousand Iranians are still prisoners of war, even though their war ended two years ago.

Tens of thousands of East German farmers are protesting today against policies they fear may wipe out their farms. They demand that the government turn former state-run co-operatives into competitive farms. East German farmers say they are close to ruin since the strong West German mark replaced the eastern mark last month.

Researchers say an experimental treatment using a light-activated drug to attack the AIDS virus shows promise. A pilot study done at a Morristown, New Jersey, hospital shows that four of five patients with AIDS-related complex appeared to benefit from the treatment, photo-pheresis. It involves giving oral doses of a naturally occurring chemical, removing blood from one arm, then exposing the blood to ultra-violet light. The light activates the drug, which then appears to attack the AIDS virus.

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#90227u1215 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
SIDON, LEBANON (AUG. 15) UPI - Palestinian extremist leader Mohammed Abul Abbas urged his fighters Wednesday to ''hit American interests'' in a show of solidarity with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

Abul Abbas, leader of the 150-strong Palestine Liberation Front responsible for the 1986 hijacking of the Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro, made the request to his followers in a statement released in the southern port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut.

''My strugglers, I call on you to hit American interests and all spying centers affiliated with the Americans,'' Abul Abbas said.

It was not known if the extremist leader, who maintains a headquarters in

Iraq, was himself in the port city.

Abul Abbas also implied that the interests of conservative countries in the Persian Gulf may also be targeted.

But observers speculated that the threat seemed essentially designed to express solidarity with Saddam, whose invasion and annexation of Kuwait has triggered a crisis in which a formidable multi-national but mostly U.S. military force faces the Iraqi war machine along the Kuwaiti-Saudi border.

The PLF has bases in the Sidon region where Yasser Arafat, the chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, maintains his largest military presence in Lebanon.

The PLO has expressed solidarity with Saddam's invasion of Kuwait, while Syria, which controls two thirds of Lebanon, with the exception of the Sidon area, has opposed the incursion.

''I urge on you to strike at American presence in the (Persian) Gulf. Open fire on our enemies everywhere and shake the land under the feet of the aggressors,'' Abul Abbas said.

This week, hundreds of radical Palestinian guerrillas in southern Lebanon reportedly enlisted to join Iraqi troops in any possible confrontation with Western forces deployed in Saudi Arabia.

In the Achille Lauro hijacking, PLF guerrillas shot and killed Leon Klinghoffer, a handicapped, elderly New Yorker, and tossed his body into the sea. The group had also launched a series of cross-border attacks against Israel.

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#90227u1218 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - South Korean students and dissidents fought riot police in Seoul for about three hours today after the government blocked a plan for South Koreans to join North Koreans in a rally. The two Koreas will hold separate events to mark the 45th anniversary of the ouster of Japanese forces after 35 years of colonial rule. About 500 North Koreans held a rally in the northern part of the truce village at Panmunjom , but left without trying to cross the border.

Japan observes the 45th anniversary of its surrender in World War Two today. Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu and Emperor Akihito attended a memorial service for Japanese war dead. Kaifu then turned his attention to a current military situation. Back in his office, he worked on Japanese policy on the Mideast crisis. Japan is participating in the U-N sanctions

against Iraq.

A Sacramento, California, judge ordered a mother embroiled in a child custody battle NOT to smoke in front of her five-year-old son for health reasons. The boy's father asked for the ruling because of concerns about the health risks associated with inhaling second-hand smoke. A tobacco industry spokesman says he had never heard of such a ruling, but alcohol has been banned in other child custody cases on the similar grounds.

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DALLAS (AUG. 15) UPI - Lyme disease may be the cause of many previously unexplained strokes, researchers reported Wednesday.

After reviewing a dozen stroke cases, doctors at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington urged doctors to test patients with unexplained stroke for Lyme disease.

''It could be that some people are suffering from strokes in the United States from Lyme disease and we just are not detecting it,'' said Dr. Eugene May, who reported his findings with his colleagues in the American Heart Association's journal Stroke.

Lyme disease is an infection transmitted to humans through the bites of certain ticks. The first symptoms, a rash at the bite site and flu-like symptoms, often are overlooked.

If diagnosed early, Lyme disease usually responds to treatment with antibiotics. Without treatment, complications such as chronic arthritis and damge to the heart and muscles can occur. About 15 percent of patients with Lyme disease develop neurologic complications.

In some untreated cases, the organism that causes Lyme disease may spread through blood vessels in the surface of the brain to the interior of the brain, causing inflammation or irritation that blocks blood flow and a stroke, the reseachers speculated.

May and Dr. Bahman Jabbari began studying the problem last year when a 20-year-old U.S. soldier stationed in Germany was transferred to their Washington hospital after suffering a stroke.

''Because it's so unusual for young people to have strokes, he obviously needed to be thoroughly examined to find out why this had happened,'' May said.

The neurologists found the soldier had meningitis, an inflammation of the tissue around the brain and spinal cord. Blood and spinal fluid tests

indicated the soldier was infected with the organism that causes Lyme disease.

The soldier was treated with large doses of antibiotics over several weeks. His short-term memory and chronic fatigue gradually improved and he made a significant recovery, the doctors said.

May and Jabbari found 11 other cases of stroke patients linked to Lyme disease described in scientific publications. All 12 patients had meningitis and all had been infected in Europe.

''I suspect strokes caused by Lyme disease have occurred in the U.S., but none has been reported so far,'' May said.

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FLINT, MI (AUG. 15) UPI - The overwhelming ratification of a new contract ending a six-day strike at a General Motors Corp. parts plant in Flint will preserve thousands of jobs at the AC complex for at least the next five years, allowing many workers to reach retirement age, union representatives said.

The agreement also marks the first time a carmaker has guaranteed job levels at a specific plant even if work is transferred to other plants, the United Auto Workers union said.

Some UAW leaders also said the local agreement, approved by a 97 percent margin on Tuesday, should be be used a role model during national bargaining now going on between the union and giant carmaker.

''What's been done here should be a model for the corporation,'' said Michael Grimes, bargaining chairman of UAW Local 659 in Flint.

However, several GM officials strongly hinted that was not likely to happen.

GM is now negotiating a new pact covering over 330,000 workers nationwide to replace an existing three-year agreement set to expire Sept. 14. Many industry analysts say the UAW, also bargaining with Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp., will concentrate its efforts on GM by selecting it within the next several weeks as the strike target, or the company where it sets a pattern the other two will hopefully follow.

The strike by about 3,200 workers in Flint over longstanding disputes concerning health, safety, subcontracting and outsourcing halted output at numerous facilities in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Wisconsin and Louisiana since last Wednesday, idling more than 20,000 workers as of Tuesday.

Several more assembly plants would have been closed as the supply of parts such as fuel tanks and engine valves dried up.

GM, like most carmakers, operates on a streamlined inventory system called ''just-in-time'' manufacturing, which cuts costs and improves quality - but makes its assembly plants more vulnerable to strikes at parts facilities.

The Flint agreement essentially preserves the jobs of all 3,108 workers at the plant, including about 600 workers that were to be idled and another 600 whose jobs were displaced by outside suppliers to GM.

The automaker also agreed to invest over $21 million in several modernization programs.

Among them were a $9.5 million commitment from GM to refurbish the existing molding equipment and add a ''world class'' paint system for its grille production in Plant 2, and an $11.5 million commitment by GM to increase fuel tank jobs and work jointly with the union in attracting more fuel tank business.

GM also agreed to delay the closedown of minivan door and radiator support production at the AC West plant from 1992 to August of 1993.

''General Motors was extremely pleased to learn that the membership of UAW Local 659 has overwhelmingly ratified the tentative agreement reached yesterday in effect ending the strike at the AC Rochester division's West plant,'' GM said in a statement.

''The issues were resolved and this is an agreement we can live with,'' GM spokesman John Maciarz said, adding that the automaker hoped to have all of its plants and facilities affected by the strike back in operation by early next week.

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 15) UPI - McDonnell Douglas Corp. Chairman John F. McDonnell and other top executives will take pay cuts this year as part of a major cost-cutting plan, a newspaper said Wednesday.

McDonnell, who received $634,438 in cash last year, will take a 15 percent cut in his total compensation, according to the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Gerald A. Johnston, president, will take a cut of 5 percent. He earned $345,316 in cash and $214,000 in stock incentives last year.

William S. Ross, president of the company's McDonnell Aircraft Co. unit, will take a 5 percent cut. Last year, he earned $227,819 in cash and $142,000 in stock incentives, the newspaper said.

A company spokeswoman said Tuesday she had no information about pay cuts for executives at other McDonnell Douglas units.

Also Tuesday, McDonnell Douglas completed a second wave of layoff notifications at its St. Louis plant. The layoffs were part of a plan to cut up to 5,200 of 40,500 jobs by the end of the year.

Most of the latest cuts affected McDonnell Aircraft, the company's largest unit, in St. Louis. Among other programs, McDonnell Aircraft produces the F/A-18 Hornet and is developing the A-12 attack plane in partnership with General Dynamics Corp.

McDonnell Douglas, hurt by reductions in the U.S. defense budget, last month announced plans to cut up to 17,000 of 132,000 jobs nationwide in an effort to reduce expenses by at least $700 million a year.

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SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 15) UPI - Saudi fighter pilots Wednesday boasted that they could defeat Iraq's air force and said they were finding it easy to work with British and American pilots now flying missions with them along the Kuwait-Saudi border.

And they said they had no qualms about fighting fellow Arabs if Saddam Hussein decided to send his forces into the Saudi kingdom.

''Nobody likes war but if he wants to fight we will fight to the death,'' one Saudi pilot said Wednesday before the Saudi Air Force staged a demonstration from a visiting pool of American journalists.

The Saudi pilots all speak English and have been trained in the United Sates, and American and British planes make up the Saudi arsenal.

Now, with a multinational defense force forming here, a Saudi squadron commander said Saudi, American and Britsh pilots are flying as a single force under a single command.

''From the first day they arrived here that plan had to be implemented before we leave the ground,'' the commander said.

A number of U.S. planes were seen parked outside an intricate hanger and maintenance area on one Saudi air base visited by the Defense Department pool.

He said Iraqi planes have been spotted along the Kuwait-Saudi border but that none have crossed clearly into Saudi territory.

''I don't think it wise for them to cross that border, '' he said. ''We will react to that. ... I'm confident that we could inflict heavy damage.''

The squadron commander, who said he got his first training in Selma, Alabama, and had studied at other U.S. military installations, said ''as a military man'' that he expected the Mideast standofff to be resolved only through combat.

''I am here as an instrument of the hand of the politician, to use if they need me,'' he said. Should it come to war, he said, ''I'm not afraid, ... I am ready.''

A half dozen pilots interviewed before a scrambling of Saudi jets expressed little doubt that they could defeat the Iraqi air force and also do significant harm to Iraqi tanks and other ground forces.

And none said a potential war pitting Arab against Arab had made them reluctant to fight. Ground rules prohibit use of their names.

''We have to put a leash on them,'' a Saudi commander said when asked how eager his men were to take on the Iraqis. ''We have to put a leash on me '' he said with a laugh.

The Saudi pilots said it has been easy for them to join forces with Amercian and British pilots because of their training in the West.

''What are friends for,'' one pilot said when asked about the flux of the outside air arsenal. ''We are quite comfortable with the Royal Air Force and the U.S. Air Force.

In addition to the F-15s, the Saudi air force has American-made F-5s, AWACSs and C-130s and British-made Hawks, Lightnings and Tornadoes.

Inside one facility at the base was a reminder of the occassional fights in the U.S. Congress over selling the Saudis American air firepower.

A plaque on one wall is inscribed with a 1986 quote from Sen. John Chafee, R-R.I., from one Senate debate on arms sale that reads,. ''In my opinion, Saudi Arabia is a far better judge of its own defense needs than the members of Congress.''

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BOSTON (AUG. 15) UPI - Hydrogenated vegetable oils found in shortening and margarine, once touted for their healthful properties, actually appear to boost levels of artery-clogging cholesterol in the blood, scientists said Wednesday.

It had been thought that hydrogenated oils were beneficial because they are made from oils rich in polyunsaturated fats that are known to lower the levels of low-density lipoprotein, or LDL, the so-called ''bad cholesterol'' in the body.

But a study by Ronald Mensink and Martijn Katan of the Agricultural University in Wangeningen, the Netherlands, found diets high in hydrogenated oils increased LDL concentrations and lowered levels of high-density lipoprotein, which is considered the body's good form of cholesterol.

Hydrogenation is a process used to convert liquid oils to a semi-solid form by adding hydrogen molecules to the fatty acids in the oils. The resulting configurations are known as ''trans fatty acids.''

When volunteers consumed diets with a 10 percent component of trans fatty acids, the impact on their cholesterol was ''at least as unfavorable'' as diets with a similar content of cholesterol-raising saturated fats, Mensink and Katan reported in The New England Journal of Medicine.

Small amounts of trans fatty acids are found in milk products but much larger amounts are found in margarines, margarine-based products, shortenings and vegitable oils used for frying, said Mensink and Katan. They said these acids account for an estimated 6 percent to 8 percent of average daily fat intake of Americans and between 2 percent and 4 percent of their average daily diets.

In an editorial accompanying the new study, Dr. Scott Grundy of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas called the fact that trans fatty acids contained in hydrogenated oils both raised LDL levels and lowered HDL levels ''a combination of detrimental effects that is particularly worrisome.''

Because trans fatty acids account for only a small percentage of the dietary intakes of most Americans, they might seem to be of little importance, he said. But he noted that they are found in a variety of foods, and said that if Americans are to reduce their cholesterol levels, they should curtail their consumption of all cholesterol-raising fats.

He recommended that food labels be changed so that they do not simply identify whether a food contains saturated or unsaturated fats, but whether they contain the kinds of fats that can adversely affect cholesterol.

The International Food Information Council in Washington, an industry group, noted that the dietary proportion of trans fatty acids consumed by study parctipants was several times greater than what the average American eats.

The margarine used in the study also had a larger percentage of trans fatty acids than most margarines sold in the United States, the group said adding that the study results are not consistent with prior research findings.

Fred Mattson, a biochemist at the University of California-San Diego who has studied trans fatty acids, said he thinks more research involving larger groups and diets and products typical of those eaten by Americans is needed ''before you start changing labels and telling people not to eat things.''

In the study, researchers placed 34 women and 25 men on three different diets for three weeks each and compared the effects the diets had on their cholesterol.

In comparison to diets that included 10 percent unsaturated, non-hydrogenated fats such as sunflower and olive oils, diets with a 10 percent saturated fat content increased average LDL levels of the study participants but did not increase or decrease HDL levels, the researchers found.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - A seat on the New York Stock Exchange sold Wednesday for $320,000, down $5,000 from the previous sale Tuesday of $325,000.

The bid price for a seat was $310,000 and the offer price was $330,000, the exchange said.

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#90227u1329 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) UPI - Christian Brando, jailed since May 16 awaiting trial for the shooting death of his half-sister's boyfriend, was freed Wednesday on a $4 million property bond.

His father, actor Marlon Brando, arrived at the Men's Central Jail in a black Mercedes limousine accompanied by his son's attorney, Robert Shapiro and his son Miko Brando.

Following behind the limo was a black compact car with two young women friends of the defendant.

The actor and the attorney went into the jail and emerged a short time later at 10:33 a.m. with Christian. Both the famed actor and his 32-year-old son made short statements to the throngs of reporters and photographers before leaving.

''It's a very simple moment, one that I've long looked forward to,'' the elder Brando said. ''I'm glad to have my son out of jail.''

Christian Brando said, ''I'm just going to go home and try to straighten this thing out. I want to thank all the people who supported me and wrote letters to me. ''I'm glad to be out.''

After his experience in county jail, asked one reporter, how would he fare in state prison?

''I'm not planning to go,'' he replied.

Marlon Brando and Shapiro left in the limousine. Christian and Miko left with the two women in the compact car.

Christian's bail was approved Tuesday in Santa Monica Superior Court by Judge David Perez. Under the agreement, the actor's $4 million mountaintop estate - where the shooting victim, Dag Drollett was killed - was posted as collateral for Christian's $2 million bail.

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NORFOLK, Va. (AUG. 15) UPI - The aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy battle group left port Wednesday as families awaited word on whether it would be the fourth carrier sent to the troubled Middle East.

The carrier left Norfolk Naval Station at 11 a.m. as about 150 family members and friends yelled goodbyes. Several expressed concerned about the possibility the carrier and other ships could be sent to the Middle East.

''I feel confident that they'll come back in one piece,'' said Kelly Larson, whose husband, Steve, sailed away on one of the Kennedy's seven support ships.

''Sure, we're all worried that they're going to the Persian Gulf but we're all just going to hope for the best,'' she saaid

The official Navy position is the battle group will be available for ''potential relief'' of the carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower battle group,

which is stationed in the Red Sea. Roughly 12,000 personnel make up the Kennedy battle group.

The USS Saratoga group is in the Mediterranean and the USS Independence is in the Gulf of Oman.

Navy officials in Norfolk said the Kennedy initially would carry out routine operations off Virginia while awaiting final word from the Pentagon. If the need arises, the Navy could dispatch its fourth carrier group - a third of its total carrier fleet - to the Persian Gulf area.

''We're ready. We'll be safe. God bless America,'' a Kennedy officer said over the carrier's public address system as the ship left port.

The guided-missile cruisers USS Thomas S. Gates and USS San Jacinto also left Norfolk Wednesday.

Jeff Taylor, a sonar technician, waved goodbye to his wife, Marge, and two children from the deck of the Gates. ''I don't like leaving my family,'' he said, but quickly added, ''I'm pretty confident in what we're going to do.''

Family members said many sailors just returned from sea duty last week when they learned the Kennedy group would be leaving. They said not knowing the date of the sailors' return made this deployment more difficult.

''It's just kind of, 'We're going, we don't know where,' ''said Marge Taylor.

A steady stream of ships has been moving out of Norfolk since President Bush ordered the military mobilization to the Middle East.

Other ships leaving Norfolk with the Kennedy were the guided-missile cruiser USS Mississippi and combat stores ship USS Sylvania, the destroyer USS Moosbrugger, of Charleston, S.C.; guided-missile frigate USS Samuel B. Roberts of Newport, R.I., which was damaged in 1988 by a mine in the Persian Gulf, and the fast-combat support ship USS Seattle, of Earle, N.J.

The hospital ship USNS Comfort, one of the first hospital vessels mobilized since the Vietnam war, left Norfolk on Tuesday.

On Monday, 13 ships from Norfolk-based Amphibious Group Two began leaving to pick up the 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade. The ships are picking up thousands of Marines in Morehead City, N.C., as part of a rapid deployment to Saudi Arabia.

The dock landing ships USS Gunston Hall and USS Portland, as well as the

USS Trenton, an amphibious transport dock, all have sailed from Norfolk to pick up Marines.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - The leaders of El Salvador's armed forces are ''engaged in a conspiracy to obstruct justice'' in the investigation of last year's slayings of six Jesuit priests, their housekeeper and her daughter, the head of a House Democratic task force on the case said Wednesday.

But Rep. Joseph Moakley, D-Mass., said task force investigators who visited El Salvador last week also found that members of the armed forces not involved in the killings are upset that they may lead to a cut in U.S. military aid.

''As a result,'' Moakley said, ''the armed forces are increasingly divided and pressure is growing for an end to the conspiracy of silence and lies that - from day one - has characterized the military's attitude towards this case.''

The Jesuits and the two women were killed by uniformed men Nov. 16 at the University of of Central America in San Salvador at the height of an offensive by the leftist Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front.

Army Col. Guillermo Alfredo Benavides and eight U.S.-trained soldiers were charged in the killings, which the military first blamed on the FMLN. A 10th member of the armed forces was charged with destroying evidence in the case.

Moakley's investigative panel, named by House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said in an April 30 report that the investigation was at a ''standstill.''

After the latest visit by his staff, Moakley said, ''Salvadoran military officers have withheld evidence, destroyed evidence, falsified evidence and repeatedly perjured themselves in testimony.''

Calling such behavior unlikely without the approval of military leaders, he said, ''I believe that the high command of the Salvadoran armed forces is engaged in a conspiracy to obstruct justice in the Jesuits' case.

''Even more important, I believe that that high command's goal, from the beginning, has been to control the investigation and to limit the number and rank of officers who will be held responsible for the crimes.''

Moakley said the result is that ''progress in the case remains slow''

despite the efforts of the leader of the investigation, Judge Ricardo Zamora; Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani; and U.S. officials.

The House voted in June to halve the $85 million El Salvador receives in military aid and the Senate will consider similiar proposals when it returns to work in September. Meanwhile, the White House has been negotiating with congressional leaders to forge agreeement on a smaller cut in military aid.

Moakley added that he hoped the constroversy over the Jesuit killings would not hinder peace talks scheduled to resume next week between the government and the rebels, and he called on the FMLN to ''respond constructively'' to proposals made by the government.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - President Bush told Pentagon workers today- quoting now- ''Sanctions are working.'' He addressed two-thousand Pentagon personnel to build up their morale as they implement sanctions against Iraq. He called for international action to isolate Iraq. In Bush's words- ''We must ensure that NO goods get in and that NOT one drop of oil gets out.''

Washington officials say Bush is considering mobilizing military reserves because of the crisis in the Middle East. The reservists probably would stay in the United States and do the jobs of military people being sent to Saudi Arabia. The Pentagon says Bush can call up to 200-thousand reservists for 180 days without congressional approval. Reserves have NOT been mobilized since 1970.

A bomb hidden in luggage exploded today in a bus in India's Punjab state. Police said seven people were killed and 10 wounded. The attack was just one staged by separatist Sikh rebels to mar India's Independence Day. At least 23 people died. The Sikhs, who want their own state called ''Khalistan,'' are conducting a general strike in Punjab.

Britain's Royal Air Force says two of its jet fighters collided over the North Sea, leaving one American and two Britons dead and another man seriously injured. The two R-A-F Tornados crashed yesterday, bringing to 19 the number of Tornado jets lost since 1983 in British airspace. Officials say killed in the crash was U-S Air Force Major Dennis Wise of Iowa. He was training as a pilot in Britain as part of an exchange program between the R-A-F and the U-S Air Force.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AUG. 15) UPI - Rocket engineers are struggling to

keep the shuttle Discovery on track for blastoff Oct. 5 on a high-priority flight to launch the European-built Ulysses solar probe, officials said Wednesday.

At least six of the 10 days of on-the-launch-pad ''contingency'' time originally built into Discovery's processing schedule to handle unexpected problems already have been lost because of a series of minor glitches and trouble getting the repaired shuttle Columbia off the ground.

Given that NASA traditionally loses a day per week at the launch pad - and given the ever-present possibility of problems launching Columbia on Sept. 1 as currently planned - the Oct. 5 target date for the Ulysses mission could be in jeopardy.

In most cases, a minor launch delay would not be viewed with alarm. But NASA managers are especially anxious to keep Discovery on schedule because if Ulysses is not launched by Oct. 23, the flight will have to be delayed for 13 months.

Ulysses originally was scheduled for launch in 1986 but the flight was put on hold in the wake of the Challenger disaster and another major delay would be a significant setback for an unprecedented project to study the sun's polar regions, which cannot be seen from Earth.

Engineers are gearing up to move Discovery to a rocket assembly building Aug. 24 for attachment to an external fuel tank and boosters. Rollout to launch pad 39B is planned for around Sept. 1, a few hours after Columbia takes off from nearby pad 39A. Discovery's move originally was set for Aug. 25.

NASA wants to launch Discovery as close to the opening of its 18-day ''launch window'' as possible to make sure time is available to recover from weather-related delays or any technical problems that might crop up.

''I'm concerned about it. We do have a window there but I think we'll come very close to (Oct. 5),'' NASA deputy administrator J.R. Thompson said in a telephone interview. ''We're going to pull out all the stops to be there at the front of that window.''

The tight, 18-day launch period is based on a requirement to first send Ulysses to distant Jupiter so it can use the giant planet's gravity to sling it down, out of the plane of the solar system and onto a trajectory that will carry it over the poles of the sun.

Despite an extremely tight launch processing schedule, managers at the Kennedy Space Center said Wednesday they are hopeful they can keep Ulysses on track for takeoff Oct. 5.

''Am I optimistic we can make the 5th? Certainly,'' said Jay Honeycutt, director of shuttle operations at the Florida spaceport.

Earlier this year, NASA managers decided to use Discovery for only two missions in 1990: to ferry the Hubble Space Telescope into orbit, a flight successfully carried out in April, and to launch Ulysses.

While the five months between flights normally would be more than enough to ready a shuttle for another launch, Discovery's processing flow has been especially difficult.

First, engineers had to install a complex cooling system to carry heat away from Ulysses' nuclear generator. And then a series of minor mishaps and glitches, along with problems launching Columbia and its leaking sistership Atlantis, combined to eat up most of the shuttle's original 10 days of on-the-pad contingency time.

For safety reasons, engineers cannot work at pad 39B during Columbia's final countdown and launch from nearby pad 39A. For that reason, agency managers have developed a schedule that calls for moving Discovery to pad 39B after Columbia takes off.

''By working Labor Day ... and doing all the pad operations without another vehicle on the other pad, we can put an efficient schedule together that doesn't have to take them into consideration,'' said John ''Tip'' Talone, director of Discovery's ground processing.

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MOSCOW (AUG. 15) UPI - Iraq has agreed to allow Soviet women and children to leave the country by a tortuous overland route, but male workers are not being allowed out, the Soviet Foreign Ministry said Wednesday.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh said the long distances and desert heat of 113 degrees will make the evacuation from Baghdad to Jordan difficult.

He said the Iraqis had agreed to allow the women, children and ill people among the estimated 9,000 Soviet citizens in Iraq and Kuwait to leave the country, but only over land rather than by the easier air or sea routes.

''Under conditions set by Iraqi authorities ... men are staying in Iraq,'' he said. ''They didn't give any reason.''

Asked if he felt the Soviet men in Iraq were being held hostage, Gremitskikh responded: ''I do not want to use that word, hostage, since hostage has a very specific notion.

''And we hope that Iraq does not consider our citizens as hostages.''

Iraq has also reportedly refused to allow Americans and other Westerners to leave the country until the Persian Gulf crisis is concluded.

''You may compare our situation with the situation of other nations,'' Gremitskikh said.

The Foreign Ministry spokesman also announced Wednesday that the Soviet Union sent special envoy Mikhail Sytenko to the Middle East in a continued diplomatic effort to solve the crisis sparked by Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

Sytenko, who left the Soviet Union Tuesday, will meet Iraqi leaders in Baghdad as part of his tour of the area that will also include Syria, Jordan and Egypt.

''(The visit) goes along with the Soviet Union's efforts to stop the escalation of tensions in the region,'' Gremitskikh said.

The spokesman said the Soviet Union had not decided how to respond to Iraq's demand that all foreign embassies in Kuwait be closed by Aug. 24.

''There is an international legal aspect to the problem,'' Gremitskikh said, adding that if countries closed their embassies in Kuwait it might be seen as ''silent agreement to the annexation by Iraq.''

''No specific decisions have been made,'' he said.

He repeated the Soviet Union's stand that the U.N. Security Council's military staff committee should take an active role in determining how to enforce economic sanctions against Iraq, but refused to say if Moscow supported a U.N. military force.

''It has been suggested that the military staff committee of the Security Council could play a certain role in the implementation of the resolution of the General Assembly with respect to sanctions against Iraq,'' he said.

''As regards the idea concerning the establishment or non-establishment of a multi-national force, we believe the issue should be resolved within the framework of the Security Council,'' he said. ''We are ready to participate in discussions of this idea.''

The Soviet Union sent two warships to the Persian Gulf area after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, but Gremitskikh said Wednesday they were there to protect Soviet shipping and the Soviet Union does not plan to participate in a U.S.-led blockade of Iraq.

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INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 15) UPI - Sen. Dan Coats, R-Ind., asked Jordan's King Hussein Wednesday for help in gaining the release of a pregnant woman who was trapped in Kuwait with her two children when the country was invaded by Iraq.

Joan Khaja, 26, was visiting relatives and has not been heard from since Aug. 3, although the State Department reported as of late last week she and the children were alive and well.

''Khaja has become the symbol of the plight of the Americans and other nationals who are being detained in Kuwait by Iraq,'' Coats said at a news conference.

Khaja is seven months pregnant and Coats said the ''compassionate and humane thing'' for Iraq to do would be to release her and the two children and all other Americans and nationals.

Hussein, carrying a message from Iaqi leader Saddam Hussein, arrived in the United States Wednesday and plans to meet with President Bush Thursday in Kennebunkport, Maine. Coats said he had written a letter to be given to Hussein at the meeting.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - When Congress ends its recess it will have to come up with a compromise measure for encouraging states to crack down on drunken drivers and those under the influence of drugs. Both houses have approved bills that cut highway money for states that do NOT suspend driver's licenses. The difference is in how much money the states would lose.

A New York jury is deliberating for a seventh day in the rape and attempted murder trial of three youths charged in an attack last year on a woman jogger in Central Park. Jurors yesterday requested and were allowed to re-play video-taped confessions of 16-year-old Antron McCray and 15-year-old Raymond Santana. It was the panel's third viewing of the tapes.

Thousands of East German farmers jammed East Berlin today, protesting government policy amid falling prices and growing surpluses they say have forced them to near financial ruin. The farmers pelted the nation's agriculture minister with eggs and tomatoes during the demonstration. Farmers say their woes began last month when the strong West German Deutsche mark replaced the weak East German mark in East Germany.

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UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 15) UPI - U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar Wednesday hailed Iraq's offer to withdraw troops from occupied Iranian territory and repatriate prisoners of war as a ''major new development'' toward implementing a 1987 U.N. peace plan.

Perez de Cuellar said in a statement he welcomed the proposal made by Iraqi President Sassam Hussein in a letter to Iranian President Ali Hashemi Rafsanjani.

The U.N. chief said the letter, which was ''being carefully studied,'' appeared to represent ''a major new development in the efforts aimed at implementing'' U.N. Security Council Resolution 598, adopted in July 1987 to end the war.

Iran and Iraq suspended their nearly eight-year war in 1988 under a cease-fire proposed under the resolution.

But the two sides failed to agree on all aspects of the plan, which also called for a withdrawal to internationally recognized borders, an exchange of prisoners and the establishment of a committee to determine which side started the war.

Perez de Cuellar said he ''was encouraged'' by Iraq's offer to begin withdrawing troops Friday from occupied Iranian land, as well as to repatriate prisoners of war the same day.

He added he had instructed U.N. observers at the Iran-Iraq border ''to be at the disposal of the parties.''

The Iraqi proposal came amid a Persian Gulf crisis triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and occupation of Kuwait. Iraqi troops later massed on the Kuwaiti-Saudi border, prompting the deployment of U.S. and other troops in Saudi Arabia.

Analysts said Iraq's peace offer to Tehran may have been intended to ease pressure on Iraq's eastern border with Iran while Baghdad confronts the Western troops in Saudi Arabia.

The United States and Britain also have imposed a de facto blockade on Iraq.

Amid the crisis, an American source said the ambassadors of the five permanent members of the Security Council ''are waiting to receive instructions from their governments after yesterday's meeting in Washington to discuss the reactivation of the U.N.'s Military Staff

Committee.''

The committee would coordinate joint U.N. military activity. The Soviet Union suggested the committee be reactivated because of concern over military action in the gulf. The suggestion followed controversy over the U.S. and British blockade.

The five permanent members are United States, Soviet Union, Great Britain, France and China. One country acts as coordinator on a monthly rotating basis and this month's coordinator is the French ambassador, Pierre Louis Blanc.

France was expected to call a meeting of the five members once the ambassadors received their instructions.

The ambassadors from the five nations met Tuesday in Washington with Robert Kimmit, undersecretary of state for political affairs, to discuss a possible role for the U.N. Military Staff Committee. The consultations were to continue in New York, possibly Friday, according to diplomatic sources.

Although the Military Staff Committee meets secretly every two weeks, it never has been used because Security Council members have not been able to agree about its functions. It was conceived as a general staff responsible to the Security Council for overall strategic planning and technical advice on military issues.

The U.N. military committee is comprised of representatives of the military chiefs of staff of the five permanent security council members. Representatives of other U.N members can be invited as appropriate.

It was not clear what role the Military Staff Committee would take in the crisis or whether it would replace or work with the U.S.-led multinational force that is carrying out the blockade against trade to and from Iraqi.

The Bush administration has shied from the term ''blockade,'' instead calling the attempt to prohibit commerce to and from Iraq an ''interdiction.''

The United States, at the request of the exiled government of Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, has coordinated the multinational blockade of goods going to and from Iraq.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Bert Parks, 75, said Wednesday he has just one worry about returning to the Miss America pageant where he serenaded 25

years of winners with the song ''There She Is.''

''Suppose I forget the lyrics?''

More than a decade after he was axed for being too old, Park appeared at a press conference with Miss American Chairman Leonard Horn to announce his return.

''One thing that haunts me,'' he said, kidding with reporters. ''Suppose I forget the lyrics? Turning to Horn, he added, ''You will have a teleprompter.''

Parks and Horn said they were ''burying the hatchet'' 11 years after late Chairman Albert Marks Jr. fired Parks in an attempt to update the show for a new generation.

But no, Parks won't belt out ''There She Is'' to the winner of this year's 70th anniversary pageant, scheduled for Sept. 8.

Pageant officials said they were ''contractually obligated'' to give that duty to Gary Collins, who now hosts the pageant with former Miss America Phyllis George.

Instead, Parks said, he plans to sing the song in tribute to at least 26 former contest winners, dating back to Miss America of 1933. About half of the returning winners were crowned by him.

Pageant officials promised Parks would play an ''integral'' part in this year's contest.

''If they had said to me, 'Sing the song and disappear into the woodwork,' I would have said, 'Go find yourself another boy,' he said.

Parks said he still had some ''residual resentment'' over his dismissal, which he said he first heard about from a reporter.

''But it was mostly the crass way in which it was done,'' he said.

Parks, joined by Horn and 1977 Miss America Dorothy Benham of Edina, Minn. used a newly sharpened axe to cut a cake decorated with the words ''Welcome back, Bert.''

Horn said the idea for Parks' return originated with his wife, who told him she grew misty-eyed when she watched a scene from the new movie ''The Freshman'' in which Parks makes a cameo appearance singing ''There She Is'' to a Komodo Dragon, a giant lizard native to Indonesia.

Referring to the movie scene, Parks said there was nothing wrong with a

little self-parody.

''I've done dog beauty contests and cat beauty contests,'' he said. ''If you don't have a sense of humor about yourself, you might as well cash it in.''

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CHICAGO (AUG. 15) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednes- day.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	78.70	78.70	78.25	78.57	78.80
Oct	77.87	78.00	77.52	77.80	77.87
Dec	76.45	76.72	76.30	76.55	76.42
Feb	75.80	76.15	75.77	76.00	75.77
Apr	76.35	76.62	76.35	76.42	76.27
Jun	74.25	74.45	74.20	74.40	74.20
Aug	73.25	73.25	73.05	73.05	72.90

Est. sales 12,830 contracts; Tuesday 14,336; open interest 68,970 up 1,718.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	90.00	90.12	89.90	90.00	89.90
Sep	87.82	88.20	87.82	87.90	87.77
Oct	86.55	86.70	86.35	86.62	86.32
Nov	86.20	86.50	86.12	86.40	86.15
Jan	85.80	85.85	85.52	85.70	85.70
Mar	84.40	84.55	84.40	84.45	84.55
Apr	84.00	84.00	83.85	83.85	84.00
May	83.10	83.10	83.00	83.05	83.20

Est. sales 1,263 contracts; Tuesday 1,119; open interest 11,558 off 101.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	56.80	57.05	56.37	56.87	56.82
Oct	49.65	50.00	49.42	49.52	49.60
Dec	50.20	50.55	50.00	50.17	50.17
Feb	48.20	48.67	48.00	48.52	48.20
Apr	44.25	44.65	44.25	44.42	44.27
Jun	48.60	48.80	48.60	48.80	48.55
Jly e....	49.00	48.90	49.00	48.90	
Aug	47.70	47.80	47.70	47.75	47.00

Est. sales 6,252 contracts; Tuesday 10,876; open interest 31,661 off 580.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	51.45	52.30	50.90	50.95	50.82
Feb	54.60	55.15	53.30	53.50	54.20
Mar	54.50	54.90	52.95	53.22	54.20
May	55.20	55.40	53.50	53.50	54.40
Jly	55.70	55.80	53.50	53.50	54.80

Est. sales 3,183 contracts; Tuesday

4,181; open interest 6,258 up 87.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut- out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 122.63 up 9 cents, 700-850 lbs. 122.46 up 44 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 115.78 up 22 cents, 700-850 lbs. 116.18 up 18 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were not fully established but had a steady undertone; skinned hams fully steady; seedless bellies not well established; loins 14-18 lbs. 121.00-123.00, 18-22 lbs. 119.00-120.00; butts 8 lbs. and up 88.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 90.00-91.00, 20-26 lbs. 93.00; bellies 12-14 lbs. 52.00, 14-16 lbs. 52.00-55.00.

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PARIS (AUG. 15) UPI - France Wednesday denied reports of a rift among the Western powers over the Persian Gulf crisis Wednesday, saying it was prepared ''to do what needs to be done'' to enforce the U.N.-endorsed trade embargo against Iraq.

A spokesman for the presidential Elysee Palace said so far no attempt has been made to break the sanctions, and that France's position is ''equivalent'' to that of the United States and Britain.

The French have the second largest millitary presence among the Western nations in the Middle East.

French officials also said the U.N. Security Council should further define the role of the Western naval forces in enforcing the embargo amid stepped up military and diplomatic efforts to maintain the sanctions.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, meanwhile, sent a defense minister to the Middle East to bolster Arab support for the multinational military force in the Gulf. Alan Clark, the British minister for defense procurement, will meet with leaders in Qatar, Bahrain, Abu Dhabi and Dubai.

Britain reinforced its naval contingent by ordering four more warships to the Persian Gulf and East Mediterranean to join 7 British vessels already in the region, and Turkey prevented two ships from unloading food cargo destined for Iraq.

Turkish officials said a Moroccan and Danish vessel were prevented from unloading frozen meat cargo meant for Iraq when they arrived at the southern Turkish port of Mersin.

A third ship flying the Mexican flag and carrying cargos for both Turkey and Iraq was allowed to unload only the goods meant for Turkey.

Turkey, the first state in the region to say it would comply with U.N. Security Council sanctions imposed on Iraq for invading Kuwait on Aug 2 and annexing it, has closed a twin oil pipeline running through its territory from Iraq's Kirkuk oilfields to a Mediterranean terminal.

Turkey was earning $300 million in transit charges for the pipelines, and officials said losses from suspended trade with Iraq could reach $3 billion a year.

Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis, speaking on the eve of a European Community mission to Amman, indicated at a news conference that he and two other European foreign ministers visiting the Jordanian capital Thursday will offer the prospect of financial aid to Jordan to try and help it resolve its problems in return for closing one of the last remaining conduits for food and materials to reach Iraq via the Red Sea port of Aqaba.

President Bush has said Jordan may be undermining efforts to enforce the U.N.-ordered trade embargo. Thousands of Iraqi troops now are massed on the Saudi border, prompting the deployment of a multi-national force dominated by U.S. troops.

French President Francois Mitterrand, who has maintained that French forces would operate independently but in solidarity of those from the United States, also continued his diplomatic offensive which included 12 envoys dispatched to 24 countries and to the Palestine Liberation Organization.

One of the emissaries, Claude Cheysson, a former foreign minister who met Tuesday with PLO leader Yasser Arafat in Tunis, said the Palestinian leader had pledged to intervene for the release of French citizens trapped in Kuwait and Iraq. Other envoys traveled to Syria, Jordan, Yemen, Oman, Turkey and Yugoslavia.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
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NYSE Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in active trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed sharply higher in active trading.

Dollar - Closed sharply lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 2 to off 1/2, soybeans up 3 to off 2 1/4, wheat up 4 1/2 to 5 1/4 and oats up 3/4 to 1 1/2.

Cattle trade - Steady to 25 cents lower. Top $78.00.

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TOKOZA, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 15) UPI - Police and soldiers trying to quell fighting between rival black tribes swept through black townships Wednesday to seize weapons from homes and hostels. Police said 140 people have been killed in three days of violence.

Police summoned troops to help separate the warring factions but sporadic battles continued in what was considered the worst internecine violence outside Natal province, where such fighting frequently erupts. Hospital sources said at least 320 people were wounded.

Authorities described the running street battles through hostels and squatter settlements in three townships as a tribal conflict between Zulus and Xhosas. But officials of the African National Congress blamed the bloodshed on their rivals, the exclusively Zulu Inkatha movement.

Senior ANC official Pallo Jordan warned the slaughter had placed peace talks with the government "under stress" because of alleged support from police ranks for the Inkatha movement, led by Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok denounced the allegations of partiality, branding them "propagandistic lies to vilify the police" and called on the faction leaders to "use their influence to stop this unnecessary killing and violence."

Unable to contain the fighting themselves, police early Wednesday summoned

army units to help separate the warring factions, but sporadic battles continued.

Police spokesman Capt. Eugene Opperman reported 140 people killed after dusk fell over the smoldering townships of Tokoza, Katlehong and Vosloorus all situated in a cluster east of Johannesburg.

While the groups fought in isolated areas, soldiers raided hundreds of hostel rooms and squatter shacks, confiscating machetes, clubs, and hand-made firearms. Opperman said a search of one hostel uncovered a cache of AK-47 rifles, ammunition and limpet mines.

Despite the presence of hundreds of troops and riot police, one roaming mob tried to burn to death an unidentified man after soaking him in gasoline in full view of reporters and residents. One reporter tried to douse the flames as the victim writhed and screamed, and police arrived in time only to take him to the hospital.

Police twice came under fire during the day. Opperman said one officer was wounded at a hostel when an unidentified attacker hurled a hand grenade into a patrolling squad. In a second incident, a man armed with an AK-47 fired on police, was wounded in return fire and escaped.

Hospitals reported having difficulty coping with the casualties, and refugees fled the areas and sought refuge in churches and tent camps. Witnesses reported one squatter camp in Tokoza in flames, and said charred bodies were being removed from gutted shacks.

Hundreds of mainly Xhosa hostel dwellers and Zulu squatters in Tokoza have been clashing since Monday following the fatal shooting Sunday of an Inkatha official in the township of shacks and dusty roads.

The ANC-linked Congress of South African Trade Unions, a key player in the strife in Natal, declared the townships' people have been "subjected to the most brutal forms of barbaric terror" by attackers "aided and abetted by trigger-happy elements of the police force."

It noted that in terms of the peace pact struck between the ANC and the government last Tuesday, when the movement agreed to suspend its 29-year-old armed struggle against white minority rule, reformist President Frederik de Klerk agreed to act on alleged police excesses.

South Africa's internecine violence has been centered on Natal, where since 1986 more than 3,000 people have died in the territorial wars between supporters of the ANC and Inkatha.

But with the legalization of the ANC and other black opposition groups in February and the parties increasingly vying for support, the conflict has

spread particularly to the Transvaal.

ANC leader Nelson Mandela has accused Buthelezi of fomenting the violence to consolidate his position, and ANC officials brand the Zulu chief a government stooge for his close links to Pretoria.

"It is clear that Inkatha is exporting the battle from Natal into the Transvaal in trying to fight for existence in the political arena," Chris Dlamini, a union official told a news conference. Inkatha, which claims the allegiance of most of the six million Zulus, alleges the ANC is trying to undermine it in Natal and elsewhere.

Beside the tribal differences, the ANC is regarded as the leading anti-apartheid group, always ready to confront Pretoria, but Inkatha is a more cautious movement seeking talks rather than confrontation with the white minority government.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - The government should make it even easier for cancer and AIDS patients to get new drugs, perhaps in part by paying outside experts to evaluate potential therapies, a national panel recommended Wednesday.

In its final report, the National Committee to Review Current Procedures for Approval of New Drugs for Cancer and AIDS endorsed recent moves by the Food and Drug Administration to give patients with life-threatening ailments quicker access to promising drugs. But committee chairman, Dr. Louis Lasagna, said, ''There's still room for improvement.''

''The sick need neither hostility nor a bogging down in the quagmire of micromanagement. They do need a cooperative working together to achieve common goals,'' Lasagna said.

If all the committee's recommendations are implemented, Lasagna, dean of Tufts University School of Medicine in Boston, estimated ''a couple years'' could be trimmed off the drug development process.

It currently takes about seven years for the average drug to wend its way through FDA-required human tests and data reviews. However, AZT, the only government-approved drug to directly fight the AIDS virus, cleared the hurdles in about two years.

''This (report) goes beyond what I have seen before'' in terms of speeding up drug development for cancer and AIDS, said Dr. Samuel Broder, head of the National Cancer Institute. ''I think it will be a fruitful guidepost for a lot of the things we need to do in the 1990s.''

A spokesman for the Health and Human Service Department, which oversees FDA, had no comment Wednesday but said the recommendations were being reviewed.

The nine-member Lasagna committee, which included Nobel laureate Gertrude Elion and Theodore Cooper, president of the Upjohn Co., recommended the FDA consider paying outside experts ''who have no conflict of interest'' to review new drug applications.

Drug companies could then choose to pay for such a review, which the panel said could be faster than waiting for an in-house FDA review. The FDA would retain drug approval power.

In the past year, the FDA has been shaken by revelations that staff members in its generic drug division accepted bribes from pharmaceutical companies. But Lasagna said he did not think corruption would be a major problem if drug applications were contracted out to private industry.

The committee, convened in 1988, also concluded the FDA should require experimental drugs for AIDS and cancer be tested only for safety and effectiveness, not how they stack up against existing drugs for such conditions.

That would eliminate time-consuming ''Phase 3'' tests, often involving thousands of patients, traditionally required to win drug approval. The FDA last fall took steps in that direction by attempting to combine such tests with smaller effectiveness trials.

The FDA has made progress in relaxing its stance that a drug must be able to prolong life before gaining approval, but further work is needed to establish uniform yardsticks - like tumor shrinkage or improved immune cell counts in AIDS patients - that show a drug is beneficial, the panel said.

''The agency was more demanding on some occasions than it needed to be,'' Lasagna said.

The United States has a reputation for being one of the toughest nations for phamaceutical companies to win approval to sell new drugs.

Lasgana and Armand Hammer, chairman of the President's Cancer Panel, presented the report to President Bush Wednesday at the White House, but they said he did not have a chance to review the 15-page document.

Other recommendations included:

-Medicare, Medicaid and private health insurers should provide identical

coverage for experimental drugs for cancer and AIDS patients. Coverage should not vary from region to region or insurer to insurer.

-HHS should set up a permanent ''policy and oversight'' committee to monitor FDA activities.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - Saudi Arabia will cut oil deliveries to U.S. oil companies and other large customers next month by at least 15 percent in a reallocation of its exports, U.S. industry sources said Wednesday.

''They're cutting back September liftings by 15 to 20 percent in order to reallocate their barrels,'' said one source, who commented on condition he remain unidentified.

The source said he was told some of the reallocation would be sent to European refineries owned by Kuwait, which has been unable to export crude oil since the Aug. 2 occupation of its country by Iraq.

The United States and other industrialized nations had hoped Saudi Arabia, the world's largest exporter, the United Arab Emirates and Venezuela would help make up the 4 million barrels a day lost because of the United Nations embargo of oil from Iraq and Kuwait ordered following the Iraqi invasion.

The sources could not give any reason for the Saudi action other than to perhaps help beleaguered neighbor Kuwait by replacing the oil that would have normally gone to Kuwaiti refineries in Europe.

The U.S. companies that would apparently be immediately affected would be the members of the Saudi Aramco consortium - Exxon Corp., Mobil Corp. Texaco Inc. and Chevron Corp.

One source said daily Saudi production declined about 400,000 barrels daily in late July to about 5 million barrels. Production has rebounded to 5.4 million barrels but exports have remained steady, the source said.

Despite hopes the Saudis, the UAE and Venezuela would raise production to compensate for the loss of Iraqi and Kuwati oil, a source in a U.S. oil company said, ''We have not seen any plus volumes coming out of Saudi Arabia, the UAE and Venezuela yet.''

Venezuela initially indicated it would raise production but then qualified it by saying it would only do so with the approval of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

There has been no sign Venezuela has changed its position, the source said.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Action Corp (2nd Q 6-30)	
$45,180,000	$49,084,000
$681,000 (.11)	$6,991,000 (2.50)
Ampal-Amer Israel (2nd Q 6-30)	
$30,097,000	$31,377,000
$714,000 (.03)	$622,000 (.03)
Conn. Natural Gas (2nd Q 6-30)	
$41,991,000	$37,084,000
d-$613,000	d-$36,000
d-Deficit.	
Energy Ventures (2nd Q 6-30)	
$37,824,000	$24,991,000
$763,000 (.08)	$732,000 (.08)
Fortis Corp (2nd Q 6-30)	
$76,053,000	$68,265,000
$8,642,000 (.93)	$7,517,000 (.82)
Gradco Systems (1st Q 6-30)	
$20,292,000	$24,591,000
$15,517,000 (2.02)	$223,000 (.04)
Hammond Mfg (2nd Q 6-30)	
$32,352,000	$34,011,000
$727,000 (.10)	d-$2,284,000
d-Deficit.	
Magnetek Inc (4th Q 6-30)	
$281,264,000	$257,412,000
$11,030,000 (.47)	$7,260,000 (.21)
Mallard Coach (3rd Q 7-28)	
$42,517,000	$41,228,000
$948,000 (.15)	$427,000 (.07)
MCM Corp (2nd Q 6-30)	

$35,610,000 $41,503,000
d-$1,280,000 d-$1,476,000
d-Deficit.

Millicom Inc (2nd Q 6-30)
$38,392,000 $21,886,000
d-$8,708,000 d-$10,200,000
d-Deficit.

Nabors Indus (3rd Q 6-30)
$41,733,000 $17,467,000
$3,893,000 (.07) $565,000 (.01)

Roanoke Elec Steel (3rd Q 7-31)
$37,526,156 $38,322,182
$2,018,201 (.38) $2,510,000 (.48)

Scientific-Atlanta (4th Q 6-30)
$161,108,000 $158,373,000
$13,310,000 (.57) $10,708,000 (.46)

Sunbelt Nursery Gp (2nd Q 7-31)
$39,438,000 $38,271,000
$4,891,000 (1.24) d-$11,641,000
d-Deficit.

Valspar Corp (3rd Q 7-27)
$160,993,000 $146,072,000
$10,064,000 (.92) $8,460,000 (.76)

Xytronyx Inc (1st Q 6-30)
$64,962,000 $20,368,000
d-$374,734 d-$330,006
d-Deficit.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 11 to 14 points higher. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.85	11.05	10.82	10.90	10.78
Mar	10.78	10.89	10.70	10.77	10.65
May	10.80	10.89	10.75	10.77	10.64
Jly	10.82	10.87	10.79	10.79	10.65
Oct	10.92	10.92	10.92	10.86	10.75

Estimated sales: 15,314 contracts

Open interest: 124,609 up 1,578
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.00

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday unchanged to 7 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.40	23.40	23.35	23.37	23.37
Jan	23.05	23.13	23.05	23.11	23.15
Mar	23.11	23.11	23.11	23.06	23.13
May	23.14	23.15	23.14	23.15	23.15
Jly	23.14	23.15	23.14	23.15	23.15
Sep	23.14	23.14	23.14	23.14	23.15
Nov	23.14	....	....	22.95	22.96

Estimated sales: 82 contracts
Open interest: 9,098 off 145

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#90227u1470 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	409.875	up 5.125
Morning fixing	401.50	off 8.375
Afternoon fixing	398.40	off 11.475
Close	403.00	off 6.875
Paris	unavailable	
Zurich	398.50	off 13.50
Hong Kong	401.50	off 9.50
New York		
Comex spot close	402.60	off 2.20
Republic cash	402.50	off 2.50
Handy and Harman	398.40	off 13.10

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 399.73 off 13.12 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 419.72 off 13.77 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	5.068	off 0.123
Republic cash	5.09	off 0.12

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 5.11 per fine ounce off 0.11

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 5.115 off 0.115and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.473 off 0.123

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 499.00 off 8.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 599.00 off 8.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 117.50 off 1.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 132.50 off 1.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90227u1471 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

TUNIS, Tunisia (AUG. 15) UPI - Police used tear gas to break up an unauthorized pro-Iraqi demonstration organized by Moslem fundamentalists Wednesday in the Tunisian capital one day after an ''official'' march was held in favor of Iraq.

About 3,000 to 5,000 demonstrators marched through the streets of Tunis shouting anti-American slogans in the demonstration organized by militant members of the Islamic Ennhadha movement.

''We didn't organize the demonstration but we approve of the initiative by our militant members,'' said a spokesman for Ennahdha.

On Tuesday, more than 10,000 people participated in a peaceful pro-Iraqi march supported by the government and opposition groups. Although organizers sought to keep the demonstration from going to extremes, a few militants burned an American and an Israeli flag.

The demonstrations are a sign of growing support for Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein in normally moderate Tunisia.

The Ennahdha is in an awkward position, however, because it is strongly aligned with Saudi Arabia, from which it receives financial aid.

Tunisia did not attend the Arab summit meeting last Friday that voted to condemn Iraq, and President Zine el Abedine Ben Ali has denounced the Western military intervention.

Tuesday's march bypassed the center of the capital, using a secondary road to arrive at the offices of the Arab League and the Iraqi embassy, where delegations were received.

Some demonstrators shouted slogans such as ''Arab solution to an Arab

conflict,'' and ''King Fahd is a traitor and a coward.''

In a related development in Tunis, French special envoy Claude Cheysson met Tuesday night with Palestine Liberation Organization Yasser Arafat as part of the French diplomatic offensive in the Gulf crisis.

Arafat declined to speak with reporters following the meeting. Cheysson, a former foreign minister in France, said Arafat refused to accept the U.N. Security Council position.

Arafat indicated that he would not take a position against Iraq because he had acted as a mediator between Iraq and Kuwait, and such a move might compromise his status, Cheysson said.

Additionally, according to Cheysson, Arafat warned that the Iraqi leader ''must not be pushed into a corner,'' having shown his determination to withstand the Iran-Iraq war over eight years.

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#90227u1481 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - About one in four American babies were born to unwed mothers in 1988 and births among young teenagers continued to climb after falling through much of the previous decade, health officials reported Wednesday.

The National Center for Health Statistics, in its annual report on birth patterns, said 1,005,299 births to unwed women occurred in 1988, the last year for which statistics were available. That figure was 8 percent higher than in 1987 and 51 percent greater than in 1980.

Rates of unwed childbearing remained highest for blacks, with nearly two out of three births among unmarried women, but rates have recently been rising faster among whites, where the proportion of births to unwed women now stands at one in five.

The birth rate among unmarried women 25 and older rose faster than for younger women during the period, but the highest levels of such births continue to be among women ages 18 to 24.

One disturbing finding of the report was that the birth rate among younger teenagers rose for the second year in a row in 1988, after declining during most of the '70s and '80s.

''This is an important public health concern since pregnancies among young teenagers bring increased risks for both the mother and child,'' said Assistant Health Secretary James Mason.

The birth rate for teenagers ages 15 through 17 was 33.8 births per 1,000 girls - a rate higher than for any year since 1977 and 10 percent higher than the 1986 level.

The largest annual increase in birth rates in 1988 was reported among wome ages 40 through 44. Although the rate remains very low, 4.8 births per 1,000 women, it was 9 percent higher than in 1987 and up 20 percent from 1985.

In addition, birth rates for women in their 30s have risen more than 40 percent since 1975.

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#90227u1491 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Gold futures closed 220 to 300 points lower Wednesday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	401.30	405.00	397.50	402.60	404.80
Sep	403.20	....	....	404.00	406.70
Oct	405.20	409.50	402.00	406.50	409.20
Dec	410.50	414.40	406.60	411.30	414.00
Feb	414.40	418.00	411.00	415.50	418.40
Apr	418.50	419.00	415.50	419.60	422.50
Jun	423.50	421.50	419.00	424.00	426.90
Aug	427.60	430.50	425.50	428.20	431.10
Oct	432.40	434.80	434.80	432.90	435.90
Dec	437.20	434.00	430.00	437.70	440.70
Feb	442.30	440.00	440.00	442.90	445.80
Apr	447.20	....	....	447.80	450.70

Open interest: 121,972 up 9,116.

Estimated sales: 58,000 contracts.

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#90227u1520 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - President Bush today called on the nations of the world to make sure ''that NOT one drop of oil gets out'' of Iraq. In a speech to Pentagon employees in Washington, D-C... the president defended his moves against Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on the grounds of preserving the sovereignty of nations and keeping U-S promises to old friends.

An extremist Palestinian leader today sided with Iraq and called for fighters to open fire on what he termed ''American interests'' in the Persian Gulf. Abul Abbas released the statement from Sidon, Lebanon. Abbas leads an estimated 150 members in the Palestine Liberation Front, which hijacked the Achille Lauro cruise ship in 1986.

Sources behind the scenes say Iran is overjoyed at today's peace plan from enemy Iraq. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is offering to give Iran the land he took from it in their war, which ended in 1988. Saddam said the move would keep the West from exploiting tensions between the two countries.

President Bush today lifted some trade restrictions against East Germany. This will give American businesses a chance to make deals as the former communist nation unifies with West Germany. Bush's action also makes East Germany eligible for loan guarantees and credits from the Export-Import Bank.

A separatist sect carried out a wave of violence to mark India's independence day today. The Sikhs, who want an independent homeland, were responsible for at least 23 deaths. The worst incident was in northern Punjab state where police say a bomb explosion on a bus killed seven passengers.

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#90227u1521 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 15) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.79 3/4-2.95 3/4 up 5 1/4-11 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.13 up 3-4 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.45 1/2-2.52 1/2 up 2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.61 1/2-2.63 1/2 up 2-3.

-30- 611

#90227u1568 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - Jack Boorman has been appointed director of the International Monetary Fund's key Exchange and Trade Relations Department, the organization said Wednesday.

Boorman, 48, a U.S. citizen, has been the deputy director of the department since 1987. He succeeds L.A. Whittome, who retired and was reappointed special counselor to IMF's Managing Director Michel Camdessus.

The Exchange and Trade Department assists the area departments of the IMF in country consultations and the formulation of country economic programs. It also helps in the design of the IMF's lending facilities, access to IMF resources, the debt strategy, and surveillance over members' exchange rates.

The department works closely with the Paris Club, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development and the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, and coordinates the IMF's relations with other bilateral agencies and multilateral institutions.

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#90227u1571 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) UPI - About 80,000 clerks and meat cutters at Southern California supermarkets overwhelmingly approved a new three-year contract, union officials announced Wednesday.

The package received 88.23 percent approval from retail clerks and 94.38 percent backing from meat cutters during four days of voting from Saturday through Tuesday, said Michael O'Rourke, a spokesman for the United Food and Commercial Workers union.

The union's leadership had recommended approval of the package last week after concluding nearly two months of talks with representatives of six major chains - Albertson's, Alpha Beta, Lucky, Ralphs, Stater Bros., and Vons. "While we are not overjoyed by the package, I'd say that we are more or less satisfied," O'Rourke said.

The key parts of the package included wage increases of more than 12 percent for top classificiations and protection of pension funds and health benefits, O'Rourke said. "It also takes us above the level of the clerks in Northern California for the first time since the 1960s," O'Rourke said.

During the intensive negotiations, the union twice threatened to strike because of a lack of progress before reaching a settlement on Aug. 10. A strike would have initially hit the Lucky chain, but could have spread quickly to the other chains and affected as many as 800 stores between San Luis Obispo and San Diego.

The talks represented the first time that the union had negotiated simultaneously with management's Food Employers Council for both the clerks and the meat cutters. As a result, the two groups approved similar

contracts, O'Rourke said.

The new contract provides for a $1.65 salary increase - about 12.6 percent - over the three years for food clerk department heads and "journeyman" food clerks, who have worked for more than a year.

The increase, retroactive to July 30, breaks down to 60 cents an hour during the first year, 55 cents an hour in the second year and 50 cents an hour for the third year. Department heads currently receive $14.05 an hour and journeyman food clerks get $13.05 an hour.

Apprentice food clerks, who currently earn between $7.83 and $11.75 an hour, will receive pay boosts ranging from 98 cents to $1.48 an hour during the life of the contract. General merchandise clerks are slated to receive wage increases of 83 cents to $1.28 an hour, while clerk helpers will get a $1-per-hour boost.

The new contract also provides an increase in the minimum number of hours for clerks from 16 to 20 hours per week. The complex package contained numerous changes in health and welfare benefits, including some concessions from the union, such as a requirement for a $3 co-payment on prescriptions and a 12-hour increase in the work hours for clerks to become eligible for health benefits.

Some of the management concessions included adding "grandparent" to the definition of immediate family for funeral leave, increases in medical allowances and various job security measures, such as clarifying who is allowed to perform stocking work at the stores.

The issue of the chains using non-union vending companies for stocking store shelves was a sticking point during the talks. The new contract provides for a watchdog committee, with three members from each side, to monitor adherence to the rules.

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#90227u1576 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait will produce inflation and recession in the already weakened U.S. economy, hurting most domestic industries, a respected economist warned.

The Middle East crisis is inflationary because of the chain-like effects from higher crude oil prices on costs of energy, materials and supplies, Allen Sinai, chief economist for Boston Co. Economic Advisors Inc., said late Tuesday.

In turn, the higher costs triggered by the crisis will be passed on to the prices for goods and services bought by consumers, the economist said. The

effects will be similar for other industrial nations.

In a bulletin to clients, Sinai said the effect of the crisis will also be recessionary, squeezing purchasing power through rising prices that will reduce discretionary income. It will produce a falloff in companies' cash flow and cut consumer and business spending as well, he said.

According to Sinai's scenario, the economic squeeze will spread to federal, state and local governments by increasing their budget deficits. All levels of government will suffer from higher operating costs and greater support payments stemming from rising unemployment, Sinai said.

At the state and local levels, where balanced budgets are required by law, higher governmental deficits could force cutbacks in outlays or higher taxes, thus reducing growth. In addition, the Middle East crisis could drive longer-term interest rates up, Sinai said.

The economy, which Sinai said appeared to be slipping into a mild recession even before Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2, will now be subjected to cross currents, with the disinflationary recessionary effects of the crisis lagging behind the sharp inflationary impact of the oil price shock.

"Whether markets perceive the price increases as transitory or permanent is an important factor for determining how high interest rates might go," Sinai said.

"How the Federal Reserve handles a potentially recessionary economy beset by the inflationary effects from higher oil and energy prices will likely determine short-term interest rates."

The crisis will produce few winners among industries, Sinai said, noting revenues should increase for companies involved in oil, coal, gold mining, natural gas, oil and gas drilling, and oil well equipment and services. Among the losing industries will be those suffering from increased costs, such as electric products, housewares and shoes.

Many more industries, Sinai said, will lose business revenues as a result of the crisis: automobiles, steel, banking, building materials, containers electrical equipment, electronics, hardware and tools, household furnishings and apparel, machine tools, machinery, metals, office equipment, paper and forest products.

As the economic slowdown spreads, he continued, other industries will lose revenue: broadcast media and newspapers, communications and computer equipment, entertainement and leisure, brokerages, financial and banks, retail and department stores, thrifts and new telephones.

According to Sinai, some industries face a one-two punch of lower revenues and higher costs, chiefly aerospace, airlines, aluminum, chemicals, construction and engineering, hotels, railroads, food retailers, telecommunications, textiles and transportation.

But Sinai said some industries will manage to stay winners by being able to avoid higher costs or lower revenues: soft and hard drinks, computer software and service, commercial services, wholesale trade, drugs and drug retailers, foods and food wholesalers, health care and hospitals, household products, insurance, medical supplies, pollution control, publishing, telephone, tobacco, and toys.

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#90227u1589 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1122.7
Tuesday	1119.6
Week ago	1126.9
Month ago	1152.3
Year ago	1108.3
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.95

60 to 89 days 7.85

90 to 119 days 7.74

120 to 149 days 7.66

150 to 179 days 7.65

180 to 270 days 7.59

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.98 - 7.62

Issuers 30 days 7.92

Issuers 90 days 7.59

Issuers 270 days 7.35

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.00

60 to 89 days 7.99

90 to 119 days 7.93

120 to 149 days 7.93

150 to 179 days 7.93

180 days 7.93

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight	8.00	- 8.125
1 month	8.00	- 8.125
3 month	7 15-16	- 8 1-16
6 month	7.875	- 8.00
Year	7 15-16	- 8 1-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.46 - 7.44

6 months 7.35 - 7.33

Year 7.19 - 7.17

Federal Funds: High 8 3-16, Low 8 1-16, Close 8 1-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7.837 up 0.014.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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(AUG. 15) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $11 to $20 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.05 to 2.60 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.30 to 1.55 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.13 cent higher to 2 cents a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.20 to $3 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $1.80 to $2.20 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.05 cent higher to 0.25 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 12.3 to 14.5 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract. On the CBOT 12 to 15 cents lower for a 1,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.011 to 0.014 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90227u1612 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - Chinese poultry production, which climbed last year despite an austerity program that drove up feed prices and pinched consumer demand, may go up 5.5 percent this year, an attache's report said

Wednesday.

Pork remains the mainstay of the diet, accounting for 83 percent of the meat eaten by Chinese. However, in a development similar to U.S. trends, poultry and other non-red meats are expected to gradually fill a larger share of the meat demand. "Poultry meat is still considered a luxury product and is not yet part of the everyday diet," the U.S. agricultural attache in Beijing reported.

The United States was the leading poultry exporter to China last year, shipping $13.8 million of the $37 million in imports, which primarily were wings, feet and paws. China exported $64.6 worth of chicken parts, mostly boneless breasts and legs.

Exports during the first five months of this year were up 25 percent from 1989's pace. Exports during 1989 were 28 percent larger than the preceding year.

"China is moving strongly into the Asian poultry market," the report said, thanks to foreign investors who have put resources into joint ventures in China.

Broiler production was forecast to climb nine percent this year, followed by 11 percent in 1991. Exports were projected for 93,000 tons this year and 149,000 tons next year.

China produced 2.84 million tons of poultry meat last year, with three million tons forecast for this year and 3.3 million tons in 1991. "Producers will be aided by lower feed grain prices, however (protein) meal supplies remain tight," the report said.

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#90227u1642 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - A proposed federal tax on stock and bond sales would devastate the city's economy and the nation's financial markets, throwing thousands out of work, city Comptroller Elizabeth Holtzman warned Wednesday.

She said the measure, up for consideration this fall in Washington as part of a deficit-closing package, would drive the security industry overseas and lead to a regional and possibly nationwide recession.

The proposal is to impose a Securities Transfer Excise Tax (STET) of 0.5 percent on all stock and bond sales by private corporations and state and municipal governments. Mayor David Dinkins already has written to Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady and congressional budget negotiators to denounce the plan.

Joining the outcry, Holtzman released a study on the impact of the tax that estimated it would lead to the loss of 28,000 jobs in New York City alone, where the economy is heavily dependent on the financial industry and is still reeling from the impact of the 1987 stock market crash.

STET also would cost the city pension funds $51 million annually in direct payments of the tax, immediately throwing the city budget out of balance, Holtzman said. In addition, a 1987 Congressional Research Service study found that the tax would cause a stock market decline of between 9.3 percent and 14.6 percent.

Holtzman said that if that proved correct the worth of the city pension fund's stock holdings would drop by $1.2 billion to $1.9 billion, a loss that also would have to be covered by the city. She said it similarly would wreak havoc with public and private pension funds across the country.

"The STET is a bullet aimed at the heart of New York City, Holtzman said. "This is a tax on all Americans who save in the form of stocks and bonds, and in particular, it is a tax on all American workers' pension funds," she said. "This is the wrong tax at the wrong time."

Holtzman was joined by Public Securities Association Chairman Austin Koenen, who said there was was "no question" the transfer tax would hurt the local and national economy.

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#90227u1644 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

MILWAUKEE (AUG. 15) UPI - Midwest Express Airlines said Wednesday it would increase regular fares beginning Aug. 23, and was examining whether to follow the lead of other carriers in matching cuts on vacation fares.

"We're planning to increase prices 5.3 percent on the 23rd, which is falling in line with most of the carriers," said Jay Sorensen, manager of markets and pricing for Midwest Express, which is based in Milwaukee. "Except for fares we announced for our winter special sale, we won't increase those."

Major airlines delayed planned fuel-related ticket price hikes that were to go into effect Wednesday, while drastically cutting supersaver fares in what appeared to be the start of a fare war in an industry facing tough times ahead.

American, Pan American, United, and Delta said they would postpone until next week a 5.3 percent increase in ticket prices they had announced earlier to offset some of the higher fuel costs brought on by the Iraqi conquest of Kuwait and the subsequent global embargo against oil exports

from those two countries.

American, Northwest, United, Midway, and Pan American also said they would match fare cuts on their lowest discount supersaver fares in markets where they compete with Trans World Airlines and Eastern Airlines.

Those cuts ranging from 20 to 40 percent would apply to tickets purchased by Aug. 29 for travel between Labor Day and the middle of December, with a five-day blackout during Thanksgiving. Sorensen said Midwest Express would decide Thursday what to do about its discount vacation fares.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
EXTRA				
STOCK SPLIT				
INCREASED				
Home & City Svgs Bk	Q	.33	9-28	9-14
Questar Corp	Q	.49	x-9-17	x-8-24
USUAL				
Amer Bankers Ins Gp	Q	.12 1/2	9-21	9-7
Equity Oil Co	S	.05	10-1	9-7
First Bank System Inc	Q	.205	9-12	8-29
GEICO Corp	Q	.50	9-28	9-4
Home Depot Inc	Q	.03	9-12	8-29
Kellogg Co	..	.48	9-14	9-3
Mattel Inc	Q	.03	10-2	9-14
MEDIQ Inc	Q	.03	10-9	9-13

x- Company corrections. A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2748.27	up	0.50
20 Trans	961.68	off	6.02
15 Utils	205.17	up	0.69
65 Stocks	953.20	off	0.97

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#90227u1681 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2748.27	up	0.50	961.68	off	6.02	205.17	up	0.69
Tuesday	2747.77	up	0.99	967.70	off	11.13	204.48	up	0.51
Week ago	2734.90	up	24.26	991.42	up	26.64	205.55	up	1.14
Month ago	2981.68	off	18.07	1171.53	off	16.06	203.53	off	1.58
Year ago	2693.29	up	5.51	1401.67	off	3.02	218.31	up	0.57
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2543.24			964.78			200.20		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.69	up 0.14
10 Public Utils	91.86	up 0.05
10 Industrials	89.53	up 0.24

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Wednesday - $35,610,000
1990 to date - $7,180,397,000

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2761.88	2778.71	2736.39	2748.27	up 0.50
20 Trans	970.99	976.82	957.66	961.68	off 6.02
15 Utils	204.79	206.43	203.85	205.17	up 0.69
65 Stock	958.06	964.17	948.79	953.20	off 0.97

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	16,707,000	18,296,700
Trans	3,551,000	3,520,500

Utils	2,783,700	2,065,000
65 Stock	23,041,700	23,882,200

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.69	up 0.14
10 Public Utils	91.86	up 0.05
10 Industrials	89.53	up 0.24

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 134.16 up 0.21.

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#90227u1714 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	186.54	up	0.44
ASE Market Value Index	340.64	up	0.70
Dow-Jones Industrial	2748.27	up	0.50

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#90227u1719 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks	-	135,210,000 shares
1990 to date	-	25,110,183,392
Warrants	-	799,900
1990 to date	-	151,575,100

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#90227u1721 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks	-	13,630,000 shares
1990 to date	-	2,214,344,345
Bonds	-	$3,590,000
1990 to date	-	$453,673,000

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#90227u1722 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - The Air Force's fleet of cargo jets and tankers is running at full throttle to get men and weaponry to Saudi Arabia, but the operation is taxing the system.

And Air Force officials are relying heavily on charter flights for troops to make more cargo planes available to haul tanks, howitzers, field gear, repair parts and all the equipment military men need.

The airlift will not be cheap. Before oil prices jumped it was costing almost $8,900 an hour to fly the huge C-5As. The C-141 can operate for roughly $3,500 per hour, and the smaller C-130 costs about $3,960 an hour to operate. While the Pentagon deferred questions about the Saudi contribution to the operation to the Saudi Arabians, it was believed they were providing fuel for returning aircraft.

''You can never have enough airlift for the ultimate scenarios and this is one of the more intense scenarios with long flights and a lot of logistics '' said Air Force spokesman Capt. George Sillia, noting the 7,000-mile distance from the East Coast to Saudi Arabia.

The trip in the jets can take up to 16 hours and can require both inflight refueling and fuel stopovers at bases enroute. The prop-jet C-130s fly at about half the speed of the jets, making their journey an exercise in endurance for the personnel involved.

The fleet, Sillia, said in an interview, is ''taxed to 100 percent in some respects.'' He said about 70 percent of the air transport capability is being devoted to Operation Desert Shield, and the rest to normal transport requirements.

''It hasn't necessarily strained the fleet. It's not a crisis situation, but we're using it very heavily. This is going to age the fleet,'' he said.

Some of the C-130s are 30 years old, and the C-141s first went to work 25 years ago. The Air Force had plans to try to stretch out the life of the C-141s, commonly called ''Starlifters,'' but the emergency airlift is rapidly eating into the time left on the airframes.

Some of the older Starlifters, said Sillia, might be worn out by the added flight time if the airlift and continual resupply effort goes on for an extensive period of time.

One of the political beneficiaries of the airlift may be the C-17, now being developed by McDonnell Douglas as a replacement for the Starlifter. It is designed to carry outsized loads such as main battle tanks like the C-5A but takeoff and land on smaller runways like the C-130, which can operate on strips as short as 3,000 feet.

The initial program of 210 aircraft was scaled back recently to 120, and although the program was pared back in the budget now pending on Capitol Hill for cost and technical reasons, the Iraqi crisis is likely to create renewed interest in pressing forward with the C-17 and other conventional weapons programs.

''You can't just suddenly skip a generation of modernization because you want a peace dividend,'' he said. ''... Our number one goal is deterrence.

We want to be so good nobody will want to fight us. If we get there soon enough we don't have to fight. Nobody dies and we win without shooting,'' he said.

The air fleet, according to the new military Transport Command in Illinois includes 660 of the C-130s, know as the Hercules, 266 of the StarLifters and 127 of the huge C-5A Galaxies.

Also contributing to the operatrs.

The KC-135s can each get two fighters to Europe and the KC-10 can escort four to six fighters, depending on the type of plane and its fuel needs. The KC-10 additionally can haul fighter support equipment in its cargo area.

Marge Holz, spokeswoman for the sealift component of the transportation command, said there is less stress on the sea leg of the command than on the Military Airlift Command in the Air Force.

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#90227u1724 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 15) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Wednesday - 8,422,000

1990 to date - 1,604,503,000

The market closed higher.

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#90227u1725 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 341.01, low 339.79, close 340.64, up 0.70.

There was a gain of 3 cents in the average share price.

Volume 13,640,000 shares, compared with 15,770,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	2
New Lows	42
Advances	286
Declines	254
Unchanged	240
Total Issues	780

#90227u1741 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
ATLANTA (AUG. 15) UPI - An Atlanta woman has become the 90th IBM employee to be loaned to one of 16 schools in Georgia serving minority or disadvantaged students, the company said Wednesday.

Pat Dingle, a 17-year veteran of IBM, will take a leave of absence with full salary and benefits to work at Morehouse College, a predominantly black school, in the coming academic year.

"I'm really excited about it," said Dingle. "I think it's going to be a real challenge to understand what's required of me and how what I teach will help my students in their professional development."

Dingle, senior compensation and benefits administrator for IBM's Southern area, will co-lecture a class for the department of business and economics on professional development that brings "an understanding of the real world" to the students.

"This class explores all of the areas not taught in other business courses " said Dingle. "We will teach corporate survival techniques such as proper business etiquette, dress and protocol as well as interviewing and resume writing skills. I want to let the students know what the real world will expect of them so they can attain jobs and then adjust to the corporate environment quickly."

Dingle also hopes to help Morehouse expand its cooperative education program which offers students temporary paid assignments in local businesses related to their area of study.

"I will actively seek student participants for the program," said Dingle. "This practical experience will be invaluable to students when they look for a job."

This year, IBM has placed 52 employees in schools in 21 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. Under the program, IBM pays the participants their full salary and benefits and provides them with relocation assistance while they are on assignment.

Ray Nord, director of external programs for IBM in Purchase, N.Y., said the employees are all volunteers who must receive permission from their managers to take part in the program.

"These people volunteer to take a year out of their lives to do this, so they are highly motivated going in," said Nord. "We're very proud of this program."

Since 1971, IBM has loaned more than 900 employees to more than 200

colleges, universities and related educational organizations serving black Hispanic, Appalachian and American Indian students or students with disabilities. In 1989, IBM contributed nearly $34.6 million in cash, equipment and employee support to educational institutions in the United States.

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#90227u1752 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	400.84	245.36	135.77	25.78	339.39
Opening	403.05	246.55	136.56	25.95	341.29
11 a.m.	402.57	245.66	136.50	25.90	340.89
Noon	401.55	244.92	136.24	25.82	340.04
1 p.m.	401.19	244.19	136.23	25.82	339.77
2 p.m.	401.78	244.67	136.42	25.85	340.26
3 p.m.	402.51	245.74	136.96	25.89	340.98
Close	401.38	244.61	136.71	25.82	340.06
Change	up 0.54	off 0.75	up 0.94	up 0.04	up 0.67

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#90227u1759 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - The Securities and Exchange Commission proposed a rule Wednesday that will exempt foreign banks and insurance companies from a federal law requiring them to register as investment companies before selling securities in the United States.

The proposal, which will soon be open for a 60-day public comment period, essentially codifies an existing SEC practice, as the agency has routinely exempted foreign banks and insurance companies from the requirement on an individual basis.

But by bringing the exemption into law, the SEC would eliminate staff time needed to process individual requests, and would also cut the waiting period for foreign banks and insurers that wish to sell securities here.

During the open meeting held Wednesday to consider the proposed rule change, Commissioner Mary Schapiro suggested that the agency also consider widening the exemption to include foreign governments and their finance subsidiaries.

An SEC attorney who requested anonymity said that the ruling to a degree contradicted SEC efforts to gain greater control over the securities activities of banks, but said the change was needed to make securities

laws more consistent.

U.S. banks and insurance companies are already exempt from registering as an investment company and from registering their securities with the SEC. Securities issued by foreign banks and insurance companies, however, will still have to be registered with the SEC.

The exemption will apply to foreign banks and insurance companies - and their finance subsidiaries and holding companies - that are "substantially" engaged in commercial banking or insuring activities.

SEC officials indicated that even companies whose banking or insuring activities comprised less than 50 percent of their business would qualify for an exemption. The officials added that the exemption was needed because it was almost impossible for banks to meet the investment company registration requirements.

For example, the Investment Company Act of 1940 requires that 40 percent of an investment company's board of directors be independent of management. While foreign banks could meet this stipulation relatively easily, they would have much more trouble with the limitations the Act places on the amount of debt securities an investment company can issue.

"Banks are heavily leveraged; investment companies are not," said Gene Gohlke, acting director of the SEC's division of investment management. "Our opinion is that most companies can't operate as a bank and an investment company," he added.

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#90227u1763 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - Several days ago the Amoco Corp. bought full-page newspaper advertisements in which it promised the public to show support for President Bush's Iraqi blockade by acting ''reasonably and responsibly'' with regard to the price of oil it charges consumers.

But for years the mammoth U.S. oil producer has waged a public relations campaign of a different kind with a select group of Americans - members of Congress.

Amoco's political action committee funneled $204,000 to influential lawmakers from 1983 through July, more than any other domestic oil concern according to PAC reports filed with the Federal Election Commission.

Chevron Corp. and the Atlantic Richfield Co., were not far behind, contributing $203,000 each to members of Congress. Other top contributors included Atlantic Richfield, which contributed $151,200 to lawmakers; Phillips Petroleum Co., with $146,100, and Mobil Corp., with $122,000.

Texaco Inc., made contributions totaling $146,000, while Exxon Corp., donated $112,200 to candidates.

Most observers agree that the donations were made in part to deflect the kind of accusations of price gouging that oil companies have heard in the past several weeks.

One typical reaction came from Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, who accused big oil of being ''too quick to pounce on the current crisis in the (Persian) Gulf to extract some quick short-term profits from a situation fraught with danger for America.''

Bentsen's populist attack was notable not only because he represents the state that produces the most domestic oil, but because he has received more money from oil interests than any other member of Congress, an impressive $234,000 since 1983.

Bentsen's spokesman, Jack Devore, said the large contributions were not surprising, nor were they shunned. ''Due to the fact that energy is such a key industry in the state, you're going to get large contributions,'' he said.

Indeed, Bentsen was followed on the leader board by fellow Texan, Republican Sen. Phil Gramm, a stalwart supporter of oil who is up for re-election this year and received $184,000, and Sen. Bennett Johnston, D-La., the influential chairman of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, who received $160,000.

Unlike Bentsen, neither Gramm nor Johnston have lambasted the oil companies or even asked them to hold prices in check.

But even Bentsen's speech against ''big oil'' was softened when in the same breadth he asked the Bush administration to offer more incentives for domestic oil exploration to ease the flow of oil from the Middle East.

''I don't think there's anybody up here who is always solidly pro oil,'' said one Capitol Hill aide who works on petroleum issues.

Rep. Billy Tauzin, D-La., the second top House recipient of oil money during the 1987-88 election cycle, once joked, ''If you're in the pocket of the oil companies it's because you're biting them in the ass.''

Tauzin, who received $81,800 from oil PACs, has often fought for oil interests. Yet, the lawmaker was a key sponsor of a strict oil spill law that imposes tougher negligence standards on oil companies. The legislation was spurred by the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill.

Tauzin was joined by Rep. Don Young, R-Alaska., the top House recipient of

oil PAC money, with $83,400 in donations.

Last week, while consumers were complaining of higher gasoline prices at the pump, Rep. Philip Sharp, D-Ind., convened a hearing of his Energy and Commerce subcommittee on Energy and Power to explore the oil companies' justification for the increase.

Sharp complained that the prices were not justified and accused the oil companies of profitting from the Persian Gulf crisis.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	263.20	264.20	262.40	262.80	261.70
Dec	267.00	267.00	265.70	266.10	264.90
Mar	....	....	....	269.80	268.60

Previous day volume: 48 contracts.

Open interest: 1,239 off 8

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	344.00	344.70	341.00	341.65	340.75
Dec	348.50	348.80	345.20	345.75	344.80
Mar	351.10	352.00	348.50	349.00	348.10
Jun	....	356.00	352.60	353.10	352.20

Today's estimated volume: 42,623 contracts.

Open interest: 128,077 up 540

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	187.70	188.30	186.45	186.95	186.45
Dec	190.00	190.15	188.75	189.05	188.55
Mar	191.90	191.90	191.90	191.15	190.65

Open interest: 6,537 up 204

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	561.00	564.80	560.00	560.75	559.20
Sep	563.90	567.30	562.60	563.20	561.45

Estimated volume 3,769 contracts.

Open interest: 6,525 up 119

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	22.50-22.60	22.85-22.90
North Sea Brent	26.20-26.30	26.80-26.85
West Texas Intermed	26.50-26.60	26.50-26.60
Light Louisiana Sweet	27.20-27.40	27.25-27.40
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	87.55-87.80	87.25-87.75
No. 2 Heating oil	71.60-71.85	71.75-72.00
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	84.70-84.90	83.00-83.25
No. 2 Heating oil	70.05-70.15	70.15-70.25

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NEW YORK (UPI) - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	340.64	up	.70
High Technology	339.71	up	.61
Capital Goods	377.89	off	.72
Consumer Goods	415.24	up	2.41
Service	778.19	up	3.93
Retail	1,122.35	up	7.05
Natural Resourc	253.71	off	.06
Housing-Const-L	355.55	off	.90

There was a gain of 3 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS			
New England	424.83	off	.90
Mid Atlantic	437.76	up	1.70
No Central	483.97	up	8.28
So Atlantic	975.28	off	1.57
So Central	337.05	up	.15
Mountain	120.98	off	.52
Pacific	400.47	off	.52
Foreign	251.76	off	.35

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	411.45	up	1.12	407.73	460.79
Industrial	441.93	up	1.45	436.54	445.73
Finance	400.38	up	1.73	399.92	549.64
Insurance	472.88	up	1.78	472.97	541.09
Utility	567.57	off	1.34	559.42	718.11
Bank	298.85	up	0.16	301.34	485.62
Transport	447.27	up	0.76	447.57	461.87

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 400.04

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 180.25 up 0.48

Industrial Index 174.65 up 0.56

NASDAQ-100 Index 416.93 up 0.34

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#90227u1783 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Wal-Mart Strs	2,030,700	30 1/4	off 1/4
AmBase Corp	1,910,000	2 3/4	off 4 3/4
United Telecom	1,626,500	27 1/8	up 7/8
Philip Morris	1,592,500	47 1/4	up 1/2
GTE Corp	1,586,500	27 5/8	up 5/8
IBM Corp	1,534,900	105	up 5/8
Genl Electric	1,474,100	66 1/4	off 3/4
Whitman Corp	1,377,100	22 1/4	off 1 1/2

Texas Utils	1,248,400	36 3/8	up	1/8
Global Marine	1,228,500	6	off	1/4
AMR Corp	1,188,700	48 1/8	off	7/8
Boeing Co	1,177,200	52 3/8	up	3/8
Amer Express	1,081,500	26 5/8	off	3/8
Alcan Alum	1,041,200	22 5/8	up	3/8
Archer-Daniels	1,027,000	23 3/8	up	1/4

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
ENSCO	869,800	4 3/4	off 1/4
Fruit of Loom	867,100	12 5/8	up 1 1/8
Prime Fncl A	481,200	2 3/4	up 3/8
N Y Times A	455,800	19 1/2	off 1/8
Echo Bay Mines	436,600	14 1/8	unch
Amdahl Corp	391,300	12 1/8	off 7/8
Wang Labs B	384,100	3 3/8	unch
Denmark K wt	375,200	13 3/8	off 5/8
Dow Chemical rt	354,300	7 3/8	up 3/4
Painw W Gr wtB	351,300	4 5/8	off 1/4

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#90227u1799 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	7025	up 125
Utd Tel pfA	66 1/4	off 28 3/4
CapCiti/ABC	524 7/8	up 8 3/4
Matsushita El	127	up 5 1/2
Am Brd pfA	136 1/2	up 5 1/8
AmBase Corp	2 3/4	off 4 3/4
Atl Rchfld pfC	323 1/8	off 4 1/8
Natl Convnce	64	off 4
ALLTEL pf	83 1/2	off 4
Hitachi Ltd	90 3/4	up 3 3/4
CBS Inc	181 5/8	up 3 5/8

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#90227u1804 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 13 points higher to 200 points lower.

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	72.30	72.40	70.85	70.85	72.85
Dec	69.05	69.65	68.51	68.86	68.83
Mar	70.30	70.85	69.80	70.23	70.10
May	71.25	71.50	70.61	70.95	70.86
Jly	71.05	71.70	70.72	70.72	70.85
Oct	69.00	69.00	68.65	68.80	68.70
Dec	67.55	67.75	67.50	67.51	67.50

Estimated sales: 10,000 contracts
Open interest: 34,572 off 1,380
The World spot average: 73.36

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(AUG. 15) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.04	8.14	9.03
91-day Treasury bills	7.71	7.71	7.90
182-day Treasury bills	7.74	7.74	7.76
1-year Treasury bills	7.70	7.70	7.65
3-year Treasury notes	8.10	8.10	8.11
7-year Treasury notes	8.52	8.53	8.10
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.77	8.79	8.12
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.25	9.25	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.85	9.85	9.23
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.07	9.07	9.27
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.33	9.34	9.16
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.38	9.38	9.37
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.36	9.37	9.36

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Amgen	(AMGN)	75,540,576	48 3/4	up 3/4
IntelCp	(INTC)	49,225,624	37	unch
SunMicro	(SUNW)	44,964,684	28 1/4	off 3/4
Micrsoft	(MSFT)	44,848,688	64 1/4	unch
NikeIncB	(NIKE)	34,867,124	77 7/8	up 1 1/8
MCI Com	(MCIC)	32,917,738	36 1/2	unch
AppleC	(AAPL)	29,041,136	39 1/4	off 1/2
ReuterH	(RTRS)	21,674,206	57 3/4	up 1/4
Chiron	(CHIR)	21,304,488	40 1/2	up 1
Novell	(NOVL)	20,070,260	49	unch

Composite Index 180.25 up 0.48

NMS volume 77,499,000 shares.

Advances	787
Declines	712
Unchanged	1,322
Total	2,821

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#90227u1824 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	413.35	410.30	411.45	up 1.12
Industrial	444.38	441.43	441.93	up 1.45
Finance	400.76	398.80	400.38	up 1.73
Insurance	473.61	471.01	472.88	up 1.78
Utility	573.94	565.31	567.57	off 1.34
Bank	300.35	298.03	298.85	up 0.16
Transport	451.57	446.38	447.27	up 0.76

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 468.86

1990 Low (1-30) 410.72

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	180.25 up 0.48
Industrial Index	174.65 up 0.56
NASDAQ-100 Index	416.93 up 0.34

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share	9.29 up 0.03
Volume	77,499,000 shares
Advances	787

Declines	712
Unchanged	1,322
Total	2,821

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	15	21	9
New lows	80	111	120

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	880	65,917,600
Declines	608	50,559,300
Unchanged	491	18,733,100
Total	1,979	135,210,000

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(AUG. 15) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	2
New lows	42

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	286	4,825,300
Declines	254	5,899,800
Unchanged	240	2,914,900
Total	780	13,640,000

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#90227u1851 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	187.14	186.24	186.54	up 0.44
Industrial	233.75	232.86	232.97	up 0.37
Transport	151.70	150.60	150.86	off 0.07
Utility	88.42	88.03	88.28	up 0.58
Finance	132.57	132.09	132.19	up 0.26

Equivalent to a gain of 8 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common hare.

Volume 135,210,000 shares.

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#90227u1853 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - Americans are consuming record amounts of meat - 220.3 pounds apiece this year - with a 6-pound increase likely next year as chicken challenges beef as the No. 1 meat, the government said Wednesday.

The increase in consumption was expected to follow a 3 percent expansion in meat production in 1991, to 64.3 billion pounds, and a slight downturn in prices.

Grocery-store prices for red meats set records this year. Agriculture Department economists said pork prices were expected to rise 12 percent this year and choice beef 6 percent. Poultry prices were average 2 percent below last year's price.

Farmers and ranchers were forecast to produce 63.3 billion pounds of meat and poultry this year, up 1 percent from last year. The government earlier this year forecast a 2 percent increase but trimmed the estimate due to smaller broiler production.

Per capita consumption of chicken are projected for 70 pounds this year, compared to 67 pounds for beef. Last year, beef led 68.9 pounds to 66.6 pounds.

Chicken consumption has been rising and beef declining for the past decade as Americans looked for lower-cost and lower-fat foods. The beef industry has been taking steps to produce leaner meat and to trim more fat from the cuts sold to shoppers. Beef consumption in 1991 was forecast for 67 pounds while chicken consumption was tabbed for 73 pounds.

According to the department's National Food Review magazine, beef would hold a 14-pound lead this year when boneless weights are compared, 63.9 pounds to 49.7 pounds. However, it notes chicken consumption ''is forecast to top 75 percent of beef consumption in 1990, up from 35 percent in 1971.''

The government estimated meat and poultry consumption would climb to 226 pounds next year, compared to the 220.3 forecast for this year.

Beef production, estimated at 22.69 billion pounds this year, was expected to rise 1 percent to 22.97 billion pounds next year. Pork was projected to rise 3 percent from this year's 15.35 billion pounds to 15.85 billion pounds next year.

Poultry production, pegged for 23.61 billion pounds this year, was estimated to rise 5 percent for a 1991 total of 24.81 billion pounds.

''Favorable producer returns will encourage continued expansion in the poultry sector and increased pork production,'' the department said.

''Increasing pork and poultry supplies in 1991 are likely to cause pork prices to decline 1 percent-3 percent, while poultry prices decline 4 percent-6 percent. Declining prices for competing meats will likely hold beef price gains to 1 percent-2 percent.''

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#90227u1871 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

AQABA, Jordan (AUG. 15) UPI - Jordan finds itself in the midst of international efforts to strangle Iraq economically and on a collision course with the United States by allowing trucks laden with goods to pour across its border into Iraq.

The convoys of truck plying the roads from the strategically important port of Aqaba are fast becoming Baghdad's lifeline, getting goods already on Jordanian soil across the border as quickly as possible.

At the border town of Ruweished, 180 miles from Amman, witnesses said commercial trucks from Iraq and Jordan at one point were crossing the border one every five minutes.

Iraqi drivers said they were meeting no challenge from Jordanians on any cargo, be it oil or foodstuffs. At Aqaba, dozens of Iraqi-registered trucks entered and left the port with foodstuffs, cooking oil, industrial goods and Japanese cars.

''The burst of activity that's been reported with convoys leaving Aqaba for the Iraqi border seems to be an effort to clear the backlog of Iraqi cargo which is currently in the port,'' John Landells, Lloyds List shipping editor in London, said Wednesday.

''We've received reports that pressure is being brought to bear on ships in Aqaba to discharge their cargoes quickly, and it is significant that a grain storage vessel which has been used by the Iraqis for some time is being cleared completely,'' he said.

Jordanian authorities forced a Norwegian-owned ship's captain to unload Iraq-bound grain from his vessel last week.

But the number of ships heading to Aqaba has dropped significantly in recent days, an indication that ship owners may be diverting their ships away from the Jordanian port. One Lloyds of London shipping source said 11

ships were in port last week, but only three this week.

A sign of increased pressure on Iraq came Wednesday from Turkey when authorities turned away two ships from unloading frozen meat destined for Iraq.

Exporters can legally send medicine but no food to Iraq under a clause in the U.N. sanction package, imposed after the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion and annexation of Kuwait, allowing shipments ''under special humanitarian circumstances.''

But shipping sources in Dubai said the U.N. embargo could be easily contravened by altering paperwork that accompanies cargo.

King Hussein and President Bush, who will meet Thursday in the United States, may be on a collision course over the sanctions.

Jordanian officials maintain their country does not want to defy the sanctions but must find a way to adhere to them without harming their economy. Bush has warned that it may be necessary to intercept ships bound for Jordan to sever Iraq's economic lifeline.

Bush said nations must work together to ''ensure that no goods get in and not one drop of oil gets out'' of Iraq.

Some analysts warned that a watertight embargo causing great hardship in Iraq would not compel Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to leave Kuwait and could backfire on the supporters of the U.N. plan.

''Starving women and children? This is not what America wants,'' one Arab analyst said. ''They will be ready to break the sanctions before Iraq because Saddam certainly won't be too sensitive about his own citizens.''

In a related development, the Suez Canal Authority gave orders not to allow an Iraqi vessel to use the waterway because it refused to pay $12,000 in tolls, Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported.

The vessel, the Zein el Koas, was carrying a cargo of foodstuffs and had arrived Monday at Port Said on the Mediterranean at the canal's northern tip. But the Iraqi Navigation Co. told the crew not to pay the tolls to cross the Canal, the news agency reported.

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#90227u1880 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

TRENTON, N.J. (AUG. 15) UPI - The State Supreme Court Wednesday denied a request by attorneys for Donald Trump that plans for restructuring his financial empire be kept secret.

The ruling could give the public its first close look at the workings of Trump's real estate and casino dealings.

The ruling by State Supreme Court Justice Alan Handler came a day after the state appellate court ordered the documents released.

Trump's lawyers had already released hundreds of pages of documents after losing a bid to seal the entire plan last week.

The lawyers argued that releasing details of Trump's reorganization blueprint could hurt his business dealings.

Carol Kokotajlo, a spokeswoman for the Casino Control Commission, said the records were vital to the public understanding of hearings on the plan set for Thursday and Friday.

''The commissioners have already seen it (the financial plan). But it's a matter of the public being able to see and examine the documents,'' Kokotajlo said. ''If during the hearing you want to discuss the documents, how do you do it if they are all ordered sealed and the public is there?''

The commission is heading towards a vote on whether to approve Trump's deal with the banks, in which Trump used his three Atlantic City Casinos as collateral for a $65 million loan. The loan went to cover the interest on more than $1 billion already owed to the banks by Trump.

Kokotajlo said the commission's final decision on the plan could come as soon as Friday.

''There are a tremendous amount of documents to be reviewed by each of the commissioners, so it's hard to say exactly when it (the decision will come),'' she said.

The documents include spreadsheets outlining the earnings from Trump properties, loan repayment schedules, and details of Trump's personal assets and debts.

Kokotajlo said that only a few documents which could help Trump's competitors will stay under wraps.

Lawyers for Trump were unavailable for comment on Wednesday.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank,

Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S. $ Equivalent		Currency per U.S. $	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austrl	.000184	.000174	5430.00	5740.00
Australia dlr	.8061	.8061	1.2405	1.2405
Austria schill	.0902	.0902	11.09	11.09
Belgium frnc-c	.0313	.0310	32.00	32.24
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0140	.0140	71.22	71.22
Britain pound	1.9005	1.8995	.5262	.5265
Britain 1-mo	1.8895	1.7855	.5292	.5601
Britain 3-mo	1.8677	1.7744	.5354	.5636
Britain 6-mo	1.8377	1.7229	.5442	.5804
Canada dollar	.8743	.8742	1.1438	1.1439
Canada 1-mo	.8705	.8702	1.1488	1.1491
Canada 3-mo	.8639	.8630	1.1576	1.1587
Canada 6-mo	.8556	.8558	1.1688	1.1685
Chile peso-f	.003441	.003448	290.63	290.01
China yuan	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127
Colombia pes	.001967	.001971	508.42	507.32
Denmark krne	.1680	.1664	5.9560	6.0080
Ecudr sucr-z	.001116	.001119	895.95	893.97
Egypt pound	.3742	.3742	2.6727	2.6727
Finlnd mrkka	.2717	.2698	3.6810	3.7070
France franc	.1893	.1917	5.2840	5.2175
France 1-mo	.1890	.1903	5.2918	5.2550
France 3-mo	.1883	.1896	5.3110	5.2740
France 6-mo	.1872	.1885	5.3423	5.3045
Greece drach	.006492	.006474	154.03	154.47
Hollnd guildr	.5678	.5683	1.7611	1.7595
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1287	7.7705	7.7705
India rupee	.0579	.0579	17.27	17.27
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000543	1844.00	1842.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7170	1.7105	0.5824	0.5846
Israel shekel	.5051	.5025	1.9800	1.9900
Italy lira	.000871	.000869	1147.75	1150.75
Japan yen	.006780	.006725	147.50	148.70
Japan 1-mo	.006769	.006755	147.43	148.04
Japan 3-mo	.006782	.006751	147.44	148.12
Japan 6-mo	.006781	.006739	147.47	148.40
Jordan dinar	1.5399	1.6524	.6494	.6514
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35

Mexico pes-z	.000348	.000349	2870.00	2864.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6175	.6175	1.9194	1.6194
Norway krne	.1651	.1645	6.0570	6.0785
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.52	21.52
Peru inti	.000036	.000041	275,800	246,250
P'pnes peso-z	.0423	.0441	23.64	22.66
Portugl escd	.007260	.007217	137.57	138.56
Saudi riyal	.2675	.2675	3.7380	3.7380
Singapore dlr	.5571	.5565	1.7950	1.7970
S.Africa rand	.3898	.3885	2.5655	2.5740
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010433	.010381	95.85	96.33
Sweden krona	.1743	.1734	5.7370	5.7670
Switzrl franc	.7666	.7686	1.3045	1.3010
Switzrl 1-mo	.7659	.7680	1.3056	1.3021
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7640	.7665	1.3089	1.3047
Switzrl 6-mo	.7620	.7643	1.3124	1.3084
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0370	26.88	26.95
Turkey lira	.000377	.000376	2654.00	2659.00
UAE dirham	.2725	.2725	3.6699	3.6699
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0207	.0206	48.36	48.54
W.Ger Mark	.6410	.6405	1.5600	1.5614
W.Ger 1-mo	.6400	.6390	1.5625	1.5649
W.Ger 3-mo	.6403	.6397	1.5618	1.5633
W.Ger 6-mo	.6387	.6380	1.5656	1.5674
Yugoes dinar	.0933	.0925	10.72	10.81

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AUG. 15) UPI - The government's chief negotiator said Wednesday a neutral U.N. proposal would be a way to break the stalemate over military reforms when peace talks with rebels resume this week.

''The armed forces is the principal and most important topic,'' Oscar Santamaria said the day before leaving for a new round of talks in Costa Rica with rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, known as the FMLN.

Santamaria said the government proposal accepts the need for restructuring and reducing the size of the Salvadoran military, but he said the FMLN

refuses to compromise on the issue.

To break the impasse, Santamaria suggested that a neutral proposal be put forward by U.N. mediator in the talks, Alvaro de Soto.

''The United Nations says they are ready to enter into a process of arbitration, but the FMLN is opposed,'' he said. ''The excuse they give is that they want almost 100 percent of their demands (dealing with the armed forces) responded to favorably.''

The subject of the armed forces dominated the last two rounds of talks held in Mexico during June and in Costa Rica during July, preventing agreements to end the decade-old civil war that has cost more than 72,000 lives, mostly of civilians.

Santamaria said the September cease-fire deadline, established at an earlier series of talks, is still within their grasp.

''The cease-fire in September is an aspiration that has at least remained fixed on the schedule. I hope we achieve it,'' he said.

Despite talk of peace and future cease-fires, rebels have launched an all-out attack on the electrical system, knocking out 60 percent of the country's power and forcing the light company to ration electricity, officials said.

''We have seven primary transmitters of 115,000 volts each out of service because of rebel sabotage, but we are working on getting them functioning again,'' hydroelectric commission official Fausto Tulio Angulo said.

Various parts of the country were blacked out Tuesday after a rebel attack on installations, and electricity was rationed in the capital.

Officials said the damaged transmitters are connected to the main hydroelectric plants in the country, several of which are in remote areas.

Angulo said it would cost millions of dollars to repair the damage, adding that the commission has lost more than $50 million in the past decade because of rebel sabotage.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Average yields for money market mutual funds were unchanged or lower in the latest reporting week, while rates at competing savings and loan institutions were lower, financial information services that track these yields and rates said Wednesday.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said that average seven-day simple yields were unchanged at 7.50 percent but that 30-day simple yields eased to 7.54 percent from the previous week's 7.58. The average maturity of fund portfolios was unchanged at 45 days.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money market deposit accounts, 5.91 percent, down from 5.93 a week earlier; Super-Now accounts, 4.98 percent, down from 4.99; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.53 percent, down from 7.54; 1-year CDs, 7.63 percent, down from 7.65; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.69 percent, down from 7.71; and five-year CDs, 7.79 percent, down from 7.81.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.25 percent down from 8.28.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage rose in the latest week to 9.62 percent from 9.51 and the average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage reached 9.92 percent from 9.79.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was unchanged at 12.26 percent.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - President Bush has seized on a blockade of food as a weapon in the Persian Gulf conflict with Saddam Hussein, but the best bet Wednesday was that grain and other foodstuffs would flow again if starvation stalks Iraq.

A State Department official and other sources hinted as much privately even as Bush reiterated publicly that the United States and other nations involved in the showdown with Iraq ''must ensure that no goods get in and that not one drop of oil gets out.''

U.S. government and other agricultural analysts said there was no indication of food shortages in Iraq at this time. Recent harvests of wheat and barley, plus harvests of corn and rice in the offing should relieve any immediate pressure for imports, they said.

In an apparent attempt to pressure on Saddam by squeezing the Iraqi home front, the U.S.-led blockade has gone beyond U.N. Security Council Resolution 661 and has barred food as well as other supplies from Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

The U.N. resolution prohibits shipping food to Iraq and Kuwait, but allows for exceptions ''in humanitarian circumstances.'' The resolution was adopted Aug. 6, four days after Iraq's lightning takeover of neighboring

Kuwait.

If the Persian Gulf crisis persists, U.S. policy will require adjustment and restrictions against at least some food supplies will have to be lifted, said a source familiar with government planning.

''We need to be very Draconian at first and see what the levels are'' over the long haul, the source said. ''We need to get Saddam Hussein out of there. But food and medicine can be fine tuned.''

''We cannot be seen to the rank and file over the long term as wanting to starve people,'' the source said. ''We're going to have to bring our quarantine more into line with our humanitarian nature.''

In Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, ''food is generally available, although scarcities are being reported in some areas,'' State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said.

She was asked whether the embargo on food supplies would continue even if it begins affecting the roughly 3,000 Americans and thousands of other foreigners trapped in Iraq and Kuwait.

''I'm not going to deal with hypotheticals or what-ifs,'' Tutwiler replied.

But a State Department official, speaking on condition of anonymity, hinted the food embargo would continue only as long as there is no starvation.

''There's no emergency or humanitarian necessity'' for allowing food through the blockade at this early stage, the official said.

And if there were a demonstrated need for food?

''We are a humanitarian nation,'' came the reply.

Iraq, with a population of about 19 million, consumes about 6.6 million metric tons of both food and feed grains annually, according to the Agriculture Department's Economic Research Service. ''Overall, the dependency (on food imports) is high,'' said ERS analyst Michael Kurtzig.

Iraq may have up to three months worth of grain reserves, analysts said.

In the past, the United States has supplied nearly all of Iraq's corn and soybean meal imports, 80 percent of the rice, one-third of the wheat, one-fourth of the vegetable oil and 20 percent of the sugar.

Even if the blockade were eased for humanitarian reasons to allow food into Iraq, the shipment of U.S. goods would not resume under terms of the

executive order Bush issued when the crisis began.

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#90227u1927 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
PARIS (AUG. 15) UPI - For many of the Albanian refugees given asylum in France last month, French hospitality has been rejected for the American dream.

Officials said 130 of the 543 Albanians who arrived July 15 aboard the Orient Star ferry have formally applied for U.S. immigration, spurning efforts at permanent resettlement in France.

On Wednesday, negotiations with the recalcitrant refugees - who were to be resettled from military camps to apartments - remained deadlocked.

A group of 26 Albanians remained in a gymnasium near the town of Florange in eastern France, where they spent their second consecutive night instead of accepting apartments provided by the French government.

The dialogue is marked by a lack of comprehension and communicability, said Claude Pierret, a local official from nearby Thionville who was attempting to negotiate with the 26, including seven couples and two small children.

Talks were being held in Italian through a translator or in poor English.

The phrase used repeatedly by the Albanians is ''We want to go to America.''

Separately, a group of 34 Albanian refugees demonstrated outside the U.S. Embassy in Paris Wednesday for the second consecutive day to demand immigration visas, despite the fact that the embassy was closed for a French holiday.

Nearly 60 refugees from the same transit camp refused to accept new accommodations provided by the government, saying they did not want to be resettled in separate towns while waiting for their U.S. visa applications to be considered. But French officials said the camp at Emance had to be closed by Aug. 21.

French policy allows the refugees the freedom to live and travel as they please, but most of the refugees have little money and do not speak French diminishing their options.

The government started the resettlement of refugees into new accommodations Monday to begin their integration into French society, officials said.

Earlier this month about 90 refugees were blocked by French police after they began marching from their camp in Mourmelon in eastern France toward the American Embassy.

The refugees were intercepted by police after having walked 4 miles in the scorching sun and taken back to their camp.

The U.S. Embassy said at the time it was ''prepared to accept as refugees those Albanians that have identifiable ties to the U.S.''

U.S. officials said that while the processing of applications of people who do have a claim would take about six to eight months, those rejected would be notified by Sept. 12.

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#90227u1932 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

INGLEWOOD, CA. (AUG. 15) UPI - Michael Cooper, a fierce defender and one of the remaining links to the Lakers' championship teams, was waived by Los Angeles Wednesday in a move to grant the 32-year-old guard's wish to play in Italy.

Cooper, an overachiever in his 12 years with the Lakers, must clear the NBA's 48-hour waivers before he can sign a 3-year, $5 million contract with Il Messaggero Roma of the Italian League. He had one year remaining on his Los Angeles contract.

The Il Messaggero contract calls for payments of $1.6 million, 1.7 million and $1.8 million over the next three seasons.

Cooper played on five Lakers championship teams in the 1980s. His best season was 1981-82 when he averaged 11.9 points.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Stocks closed slightly higher Wednesday, buoyed by a sense of relief that tensions in the Middle East have not escalated dramatically.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 0.99 Tuesday, rose another 0.50 to 2748.27.

Advances led declines, 889-628. A total of 1,991 NYSE issues were traded. Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.44 to 186.54. The price of an average share rose 8 cents.

Standard & Poor's 500-stock index was up 0.67 to 340.06. Volume amounted to 135,210,000 shares, up slightly from 130,320,000 traded Tuesday.

The market had been oversold and due for a reaction after the declines in recent weeks, said Eugene Peroni Jr., chief technical analyst at Janney Montgomery Scott in Philadelphia.

"The market had a bit of a respite, if not a reprieve, from all the external bugaboos that have been haunting it," he said, citing the Middle East crisis, the troubled savings and loan industry and disappointing corporate earnings. "So many of these things appeared to be influential in the downdraft," he said.

A sense of relief that the Middle East has not erupted into an all-out war helped fuel the stock market, said Jeff Kaminsky, head of institutional sales trading at Mabon, Nugent & Co.

Also supporting the rally was optimism about the visit to Washington by Jordan's King Hussein, he said. "It's taken a little bit of the tension out of the market," Kaminsky said. "The market is up for psychological reasons more than anything else," he said. "Market participants perceive the dialogue that's going on as constructive."

Although prices closed higher, they fell off morning highs following a slide in the bond market, analysts noted. Bonds slowed after getting a boost from the Federal Reserve report showing U.S. industrial production unchanged in July on a sharp decline in the manufacturing of cars, vans and trucks.

Private economists had predicted a small increase in production, and also noted the data was collected before the Middle East crisis. Higher oil prices are likely to send the production rate tumbling, they said.

The stock market is operating in a two-tier mode, showing some sectors of the economy are suffering while others are prospering because of Iraq or other factors, Peroni noted. So-called recession-proof stocks such as food are strong, while others such as automobile manufacturers are weaker, he said.

On the trading floor, Wal-Mart Stores was the most active, down 1/4 to 30 1/4. Ambase Corp. followed, plunging 4 3/4 to 2 3/4. The company announced Tuesday it has agreed to sell its home insurance subsidiary and said it was unlikely, based on the anticipated proceeds, it could pay a previously announced dividend. United Telecommunications was third, up 7/8 to 27 1/8.

Procter & Gamble rose 3/4 to 83 1/2, Colgate added 3/8 to 69 1/4, and Conagra gained 3/8 to 34 3/4. General Motors lost 3/8 to 39 7/8, while Ford Motor Co. was up 1/8 to 38 1/8.

Among the blue chips, AT&T rose 1/4 to 35 1/4, General Electric lost 7/8 to 66 1/8, and American Express lost 3/8 to 26 5/8.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 161,142,570 shares, up from 160,914,500 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices were higher on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index rose 0.70 to 340.64. Advances led declines 289-271 among the 797 issues traded. The price of an average share gained three cents. Composite volume totaled 16,662,400 shares vs. 18,050,200 traded Tuesday. ENSCO led the Amex actives, off 1/4 to 4 3/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index closed up 1.12 to 411.45.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - A free-falling dollar plunged to yet another record intraday low against the German mark Wednesday in New York trading as global investors lacking confidence in the U.S. economy voted with their feet.

But the U.S. currency rallied from its low of 1.5540 deutsche marks later in the session, as market participants bought back in to cover their short dollar positions - trading commitments made to sell the unit.

"One-fifty-five deutsche marks this morning!" said Michael McGuinness, a vice president for currency with Harris Trust & Savings Bank in Chicago, voicing astonishment. "People cannot comprehend 1.55 deutsche marks."

The price of 1.5540 marks, at which the dollar changed hands, was yet another record trading low for the dollar. Tuesday the dollar hit 1.5612 marks, its lowest price since Germany's postwar mark was created in 1948.

Late in the New York session the dollar was quoted at 1.5650 German marks, up a bit from 1.5645 marks the previous day. Against Japan's currency the dollar traded at 147.60 yen, off from 148.70 late Tuesday.

The dollar mainly recovered on technical short-covering, but it also got some help from rumors suggesting trouble in the Gulf. But traders said the dollar's "safe-haven" attraction, whereby investors traditionally piled into it as the best financial refuge, was a thing of the past.

"We're coming back to (economic) fundamentals on the U.S. dollar ... there's not a compelling reason to hold dollars," commented Abigail Cook,

a foreign exchange vice president with the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp.

"Most people have felt that with the mark they can get a little bit more bang for their investment," she explained. "What people are looking for is safety in their investment, and also a higher interest rate."

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3055 Swiss francs, up from 1.3015; 5.2410 French francs, off from 5.2535; and 1,149 lire, off from 1,156. The British pound moved up to $1.90 from $1.8985.

In Europe, the dollar slid to a record Continental low against the mark and also lost ground against the other European currencies.

Traders said the dollar came under renewed selling pressure after a series of indicators hinted the U.S. may be headed for a recession.

"The weak U.S. economy is pushing the dollar lower," said currency analyst Klaus Elsner with Deutsche Bank in Frankfurt.

The dollar ended in Frankfurt at 1.5585 German marks from 1.5705 Tuesday. The previous record was 1.5630 marks, set in January 1987.

Buyers shunned the dollar in favor of the Swiss franc and German mark despite the ongoing Persian Gulf crisis, analysts said. "There is an anti-dollar feeling," said Andy Baxter, chief dealer with Bank of America in London. "People don't feel they're getting a good return."

The U.S. unit continued to slide toward an all-time low in Zurich, closing at 1.3020 Swiss francs from 1.3140. It reached its lowest-ever level against the Swiss franc Dec. 31, 1987 when it slipped to 1.2750.

In London, the pound sterling rose to its highest point against the dollar in over two years at $1.9025 against $1.8945. The pound last advanced above the $1.90 point in April of 1988. Markets in Paris, Brussels and Milan were closed for public holidays.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar fell against the yen on news that talks were called between President Bush and Jordan's King Hussein. The dollar closed at 147.85 yen, off more than two yen from Tuesday's 149.90 yen.

Gold prices plunged as investors took profits on the strong rises seen since late last week. Gold ended off $13.50 in Zurich at $398.50 an ounce, vs. $412 Tuesday. In London it was at $403 an ounce vs. $409.875.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $402.50 an ounce, off from $405 an ounce Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $402.60 an ounce, down from $404.80.

Silver also fell, closing in Zurich at $5.10 an ounce against $5.25 Tuesday, and to $5.12 an ounce against $5.27 in London.

Republic closed cash silver at $5.09 an ounce, off from $5.21. Comex silver closed at $5.068 an ounce, down from $5.191.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.84	10.55
Anchor Fund Inv	15.57	16.52
Delaware Mutual	17.47	18.73
Fidelity Fund	17.36	17.36
Investors Mutual	11.27	11.86
Investors Stocks	18.82	19.82
Invest Select	8.32	8.76
IDS Equity Plus	9.41	9.90
Mass Inv Growth	9.14	9.85
Nicholas Fund	3.36	3.36
United Accumulated	6.61	7.22
United Income	17.99	19.66
Vanguard Wellington	16.72	16.72

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - State Department officials confirmed that an American woman and her 10-year-old daughter were shot and killed in Riyadh Saudi Arabia, officials said Wednesday.

A spokesman for the State Department Task Force on Kuwait said, ''This was a tragic incident related to a criminal case and unrelated to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.''

According to the State Department, Kimberly Hinkson and her daughter, Courtney, were shot when a criminal trying to flee Saudi police opened fire.

The State Department said the Saudi police have been investigating the case and cooperating with American officials.

According to a friend of the family, the Hinksons had lived in Saudi capital city of Riyadh, where Kimberly Hinkson's husband, Kent, was working as a computer expert for the past four years. The family was scheduled to leave Saudi Arabia in two weeks and had already bought a home in Provo, Utah.

Kent Hinkson told the friend, in a telephone call from the U.S. Embassy in Saudi Arabia, that his wife and daughter were shot in an apparent kidnap attempt. He said he suffered a minor bullet wound to the head and his 3-year-old daughter escaped injury.

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BURGESS, VA. (AUG. 15) UPI - A Navy A-6E Intruder fighter-bomber crashed 35 miles south of Maryland's Paxtuxent Naval Air Station Wednesday, killing one crew member and critically injuring another, the Navy said.

The plane, which had taken off from Paxtuxent, crashed and burst into flames in a field along State Route 360 in Virginia's Northumberland County.

The injured flyer - who apparently parachuted from the disabled craft - was taken by Virginia State Police helicopter to the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond. The flyer was reported in critical but stable condition.

The other crew member apparently was killed in the crash.

Navy spokesman Fred Bradshaw said in a telephone interview from Paxtuxent no identities would be released until relatives were notified.

The all-weather, night-attack aircraft has been the Navy's standard carrier-based plane since the '60s and saw extensive use in the Vietnam war. It is capable of carrying seven tons of ordnance.

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#90227u2072 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - Energy Secretary James Watkins said Wednesday increased U.S. production and greater conservation could yield 550,000 extra barrels of oil a day within six months, nearly offsetting the loss of Iraqi and Kuwaiti supplies.

In an effort to ''damp out speculation'' about possible oil shortages that could push prices up, Watkins held a news conference to announce industry plans to boost Alaskan oil production and government-orchestrated efforts to reduce U.S. oil consumption by utilities as well as average Americans.

Watkins also said the Energy Department would work with Chevron and local officials in Santa Barbara, Calif., to resolve a dispute holding up the flow of oil from the completed Port Arguello offshore platform.

And he said the government would increase purchases of ''gasohol'' - a mixture of 90 percent gasoline and 10 percent grain alcohol - to reduce use of oil. He said the move was in response to a promise by gasohol companies to increase production.

Overall, Watkins said the increased domestic oil and gasohol production, along with reduced utility demand, could provide an additional 270,000 barrels of oil a day within six months.

Otherwise, Watkins said average Americans held the key to reducing U.S. oil consumption, largely through more careful automobile maintenance and driving practices that he said could save 280,000 barrels of oil a day.

For example, he said maintaining proper tire pressure could save 100,000 barrels of oil a day; obeying posted speed limits, 50,000 barrels; for two-car households, using the more fuel-efficient car, worth 40,000 barrels if 20 percent of America's two-car families comply; joining a car-pool, worth 90,000 barrels assuming a 20 percent increase.

While acknowledging some uncertainty over the success of such measures, Watkins expressed hope the nation could, by early 1991, substantially offset the loss of 600,000 to 700,000 barrels of oil a day that was being imported from Iraq and Kuwait before Baghdad overran its neighbor.

Watkins said Energy Department officials had been working round the clock to ease oil supply worries, but denied the situation is an energy crisis.

Rather, he said the department was responding to President Bush's call last week to Americans to help the campaign against Iraq by reducing U.S. dependence on foreign oil.

''This is a time when we ought to be doing things at home to minimize the impact of what's going on over there,'' Watkins told reporters. ''It's a prudent move.''

While Bush banned imports of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil and has called on Americans to conserve, he has raised some eyebrows by cruising around his Maine oceanfront home in his speedboat, Fidelity, which guzzles about 25 gallons of gas an hour. On Wednesday, gas for boats at Chick's Marina in Kennebunkport was going for $1.55 a gallon, up 15 cents since the Iraqi invasion.

In addition to the 280,000 barrel-a-day conservation target for average Americans, Watkins said an additional 270,000 barrels a day in savings could be achieved with these measures:

-A promise by Atlantic Richfield Co., British Petroleum and Exxon to immediately increase production from Alaska's North Slope by 50,000

barrels a day. They also pledged to use new extraction techniques that eventually could boost output by another 90,000 barrels a day, though that might not be feasible within the short term.

-A joint effort with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to remove regulatory barriers to fuel switching by utilities from oil to coal or natural gas. Federal officials hope state utility commissions will allow such fuel-switching even if it raises customer bills a little. The department estimates fuel-switching could save 100,000 barrels a day.

-Work to get the Port Arguello platform into production, which Watkins said could yield 75,000 barrels a day.

-Relaxation of state limits on drilling, known as ''allowable'' rules. Watkins said talks were under way with Texas and other officials in hopes of increasing production by 30,000 barrels a day.

-The increased federal use of gasohol, which could replace 10,000 barrels a day.

-Increased production from the Energy Department's Naval Petroleum Reserve of about 5,000 barrels a day.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - A German doctor and a Spanish colleague were indicted Wednesday on charges of conspiring to smuggle munitions, including thousands of armor-piercing missiles and poison-gas artillery shells, to Iraq, Iran and Libya.

The two were arrested Monday in Orlando, Fla., by Customs Service agents who began their investigation, dubbed ''Operation Dragon,'' last year after getting a tip from an official of a strategic technology company, Customs Commissioner Carrol Hallett told a news conference.

John Kelley, director of Customs' strategic investigations office, said ''Operation Dragon'' was continuing and that at least two other people, a German and a Spaniard still in Europe, were involved in the plot. Customs officials said no munitions actually were exported.

If convicted, Dr. Claus Fuhler, 33, who Kelley identified as a German eye doctor residing in Barcelona, Spain, faces up to 10 years in prison and a $500,000 fine. Juan Martin Peche-Koesters, 36, of Madrid, Spain, faces up to 15 years in prison and a $750,000 fine.

''Merchants of death who sell high-tech, highly destructive weapons to irresponsible parties are just as guilty as those who may pull the

triggers that loose death and destruction upon innocent persons,'' Attorney General Dick Thornburg said in announcing the three-count indictment in Orlando.

Hallett described the men, who worked on a 15 percent commission, as ''obviously motivated by greed.'' She did not know if they had political motivations, but added that U.S. officials would contact German and Spanish officials to find out more about the suspects.

In a conspiracy that began July 4 of last year, the Europeans planned to ship the munitions through Spain, identifying the arms in invoices as drilling equipment, Customs Service officials said.

In one of the many letters sent to U.S. informants and agents, Fuhler told them that the conspirators would refer to the munitions as ''toys,'' the indictment said.

The first count of the indictment charges the men with seeking to arrange the export of 10,000 armor-piercing TOW missles and 20,000 artillery shells, half of them capable of releasing poison gas upon impact, for use by Iraq, Iran or another Arab country. The purchase price was $160 million Hallett said.

The second count charges them with conspiring to export TOWs to Libya and the third alleges they conspired to export rifles, mortars, demolition charges, mines, pistols and Toyota jeeps with 106mm artillery guns to an Arab country. The TOWs cost $3.7 million and the other equipment $860,000, Hallett said.

The third count said Peche-Kosters informed the agents Feb. 5 that they had agreed to buy the other equipment from another source.

Despite the ability of the men to find other suppliers for some of the goods, Hallett hailed the case as a ''perfect example'' of how government-industry cooperation can prevent illegal exports.

While acknowledging ''there is much that slips past us,'' she said Customs was succeeding in preventing illegal weapons shipments, pointing to this year's seizure in England of nuclear triggers bound for Iraq as a prime example.

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DETROIT (AUG. 15) UPI - Tentative price lists issued by several General Motors Corp. divisions Wednesday show the giant automaker is raising base prices aggressively on several 1991-model car lines despite a published estimate last week of a 2.3 percent increase when compared with similarly

equipped 1990 models.

A spokesman for GM's Cadillac luxury car division said base prices will climb as high as 10 percent on its most popular car line, the Sedan de Ville, from $27,705 to $30,455. However, he said many expensive extras like anti-lock brakes have been made standard for 1991.

Cadillac's Allante roadster finally cracked the $60,000 mark despite a history of slower-than-anticipated sales. Its base price rose 4.8 percent to $60,800 for 1991 when equipped with the removeable hardtop.

GM's Buick division posted base price increases ranging from 1.8 percent on its Skylark sedan ($10,725 vs. $10,535 in late 1990), to 5.8 percent on its Riviera coupe ($24,560 vs. $23,205).

GM's Oldsmobile division raised base prices as high as 13.8 percent, with its Cutlass Calais SL sedan getting the highest increase ($15,095 vs. $13,265).

Full price comparisons from GM's Pontiac division were not immediately available, although figures indicate base prices on its Trans Sport minivan rose as much as 3.6 percent on the SE model($18,889 vs. $18,245), while its Bonneville sedans rose as much as 6.2 percent for the SE Sedan ($20,464 vs $19,264).

A full list of prices from GM's Chevrolet division was also not immediately available. But the Lumina, its least expensive mid-sized sedan was increased by 4.3 percent to $12,870.

GM announced last Friday its 1991 car prices would tentatively rise an average 2.3 percent, or $389, while its light trucks will rise 2.9 percent or $499 from 1990 levels.

But like other automakers, industry leader GM calculates those increases on a comparably-equipped basis - meaning it is including in those prices many features that cost extra for 1990. In fact, its Cadillac division said its prices are up by only 0.3 percent to 6 percent when measured that way.

GM has argued that comparing base prices is an invalid exercise, since most buyers order extra-cost features anyway. But base prices often form a starting point for buyers looking at several brands, and the degree of change often indicates whether a car is selling well or not.

GM also said that for 1991, it has lowered the cost of many of extra-cost options grouped together in packages. But that means some consumers are forced to buy more features than they really need.

Several analysts say GM's price adjustments may be a moot point anyway, since rebates averaging more than $1,000 a car, low-rate financing offers, and the age-old art of haggling for the best deal may negate any increases intended to cover higher material and manufacturing costs.

GM has vowed to raise its share of the U.S. vehicle market, but only if it can be done profitably.

Intensified competition from both No. 2 Detroit carmaker Ford Motor Co. and Asian carmakers, as well as self-inflicted problems with quality, caused GM's share to plummet nearly 10 percent during the last decade.

Lately, however, GM has started to show some scant gains as it unveils a barrage of all new or substantially redesigned products. Its overall slice of the domestic car and truck market rose one-tenth of a point during the past six months, to 35.6 percent.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - U-S oil industry sources say Saudi Arabia will substantially cut oil deliveries to U-S oil companies next month to send it elsewhere... including Kuwaiti refineries in Europe. The United States is looking to the Saudis to increase production to make up for oil embargoed from Iraq.

U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar today greeted Iraq's offer to withdraw from Iranian land as a ''major new development'' toward implementing a 1987 U-N peace plan. Perez de Cuellar says he is ''encouraged'' by Iraq's offer.

American and British pilots are now flying missions with Saudi fighter pilots along the border with Kuwait. The Saudi pilots, who speak English, said they are confident that can defeat Iraq's air force.

The aircraft carrier John Kennedy left Norfolk, Virginia, today. Relatives of sailors are concerned it may go to the Middle East. Several other warships sailed with the Kennedy.

Police in South Africa say 140 people have been killed in three days of fighting between rival black tribes. An African National Congress official says the violence is hurting peace talks with the government.

The head of a House Democratic task force today charged that the heads of El Salvador's armed forces are ''in a conspiracy to obstruct'' the investigation of last year's slayings of six Jesuit priests. But Representative Joseph Moakley of Massachusetts says dissension is rising in the Salvadoran armed forces.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - $ambodia has made more cabinet changes to cope with its political, military and economic problems. Several Communist officials installed by Vietnam were dropped.

The son of singer Curtis Mayfield says that his father is paralyzed from the neck down after being hit by falling scaffolding at a windy outdoor concert in New York. A hospital spokesman in Brooklyn says Mayfield is in critical condition following surgery.

Actor Marlon Brando's son Christian was released from a Los Angeles jail on four-Million dollars bond today. He is charged with murder in the shooting death of his half-sister's boyfriend.

A Chicago-based consulting firm says job seekers age 50 and over are having an easier time finding employment. Challenger, Gray and Christmas says managers want older workers to replace people taking early retirement.

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#90227u2139 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - William Farley, president of Chicago-based Fruit of the Loom Inc., said Wednesday he has sold 3.75 million shares in the company to a foreign investor.

Land Free Investment Ltd., a corporation organized under the laws of the United Kingdom's Isle of Guernsey, paid $43.1 million, or $11.50 a share, for the Class A common stock under a stock purchase agreement dated August 13, according to a filing Farley made with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

While Farley will continue to control 53.6 percent of the voting power of Fruit of the Loom, the stock purchase agreement lowers his actual holdings in the company to 11.7 million shares of common stock, which represents 27.3 percent of the company's outstanding shares.

On the American Stock Exchange, the price of Fruit of the Loom stock rose $1.125 in heavy trading Wednesday, closing at $12.625 a share.

Farley's holdings include 327,000 shares of Fruit of the Loom Class A common stock, 3.2 million shares of Class B common stock and an additional 8.2 million shares of Class B stock that Farley owns through Farley Inc., Fruit of the Loom's parent company.

Farley and Farley Inc. have been struggling under a heavy debt load

incurred in the company's April 1989 acquisition of bed linen manufacturer West Point-Pepperell.

As part of the Land Free deal, Farley also concluded a put option agreement that grants Land Free the right to sell the shares back to Farley for $15.54 a share next July under certain conditions.

Simultaneously, Land Free has granted Farley a call option that allows him under certain conditions, to buy the shares from Land Free next summer for $15.44 a share.

The two sides also concluded a registration rights agreement that requires Fruit of the Loom to register Land Free's 3.75 million shares of stock with the SEC next March, along with 2.5 million shares of Farley's Class B stock that he has pledged as collateral for the put option.

Under federal securities laws, stock must be registered before it is sold on the open market.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - Oil sources say Saudi Arabia will cut its oil deliveries to U-S companies and other large customers next month. The cuts will total 15 to 20 percent. Saudi Arabia is the world's largest oil exporter. The West had looked to Saudi Arabia to make up for the four-Million barrels a day lost because of the U-N embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil.

U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar says a new offer from Iraq is welcome as a way of implementing a 1987 U-N peace plan for Iran and Iraq. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein offered today to withdraw troops from land captured from Iran. Perez de Cuellar says he has ordered U-N observers on the border to help with the withdrawal and also to help in a suggested prisoner exchange.

East Germany's Farmers Association estimates that one-quarter-of-a-Million farmers took part in rallies across the country today to demand government payments to save the agricultural sector. They say they canNOT compete with West German goods. East Germany's prime minister, meanwhile, says four government ministers have been dismissed or resigned... but he denies it has to do with the protests.

A national panel today recommends that the government make it easier for patients to get new drugs to treat AIDS and cancer. The National Committee to Review Current Procedures for Approval of New Drugs for Cancer and AIDS released its findings in Washington. One panel member estimates that ''a couple years'' could be cut off the current seven-year average for federal drug approval. The government says it's reviewing the recommendations.

A Northwest Airlines flight engineer testified today that he was NOT drunk while working on a flight in March... just as two other crew members said about themselves. The three are on trial in Minneapolis... charged with flying while intoxicated. Flight engineer Joseph Balzer said he lost track of time the night before the flight... when he said he left a bar at 7:30 p-m... though prosecution witnesses say he left at 10:30 p-m.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - President Bush warned Iraq Wednesday that ''no one should doubt our staying power or determination,'' while Iraqi President Saddam Hussein surprised Iran with a peace offer in a desperate bid for Arab support in the Persian Gulf.

Saddam, spurned by most of his Arab allies after invading Kuwait, tried to neutralize Western ''evil forces'' and secure his eastern flank in the peace offer to Iran which followed a 1988 cease-fire in their bitter 8-year war.

Saddam's proposal, including a prisoner exchange and a withdrawal of troops from border areas, came as Jordan's King Hussein arrived in the United States with a Jordanian-Iraqi plan for solving the Persian Gulf crisis.

An Arab diplomat said the plan called for an international conference to settle the gulf dispute, provided no more troops are sent into the area.

Bush, who plans to meet with Hussein Thursday, has warned that Jordan may be undermining efforts to enforce a U.N.-ordered trade embargo that was imposed against Iraq after Baghdad invaded and occupied Kuwait Aug. 2 in an oil and border dispute. Thousands of Iraqi troops now are massed on the Saudi border, prompting the deployment of a multinational force dominated by U.S. troops.

Bush, in an address to some 2,000 employees at the Pentagon, defended the U.S. military presence in Saudi Arabia and the gulf and called it ''one of the most important deployments of allied military power'' since World War II.

''No one should doubt our staying power or our determination,'' Bush said. ''It is about keeping our word - our solemn world of honor - and standing by old friends.''

Meanwhile, the aircraft carrier USS Kennedy, accompanied by five other warships, left Wednesday for the Middle East. The Kennedy would be the forth U.S. carrier dispatched to the region.

Bush also is considering mobilizing the military reserves to help fill in domestically for the tens of thousands of active-duty men and women sent to the Middle East, Pentagon officials said Wednesday.

The president can call up to 200,000 reservists for up to 180 days without prior congressional approval, the Pentagon said.

In Iraq's four-point proposal to Iran, broadcast on state-run Baghdad radio, Saddam offered to start withdrawing his troops from border positions within 48 hours if Iran accepted the plan.

Apparently referring to the U.S. troop buildup in the Middle East, Saddam said improved Iran-Iraq ties ''will open the way for serious interaction with all (Moslem) believers for confronting evil forces which are after harming Moslems and the Arab nation.''

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Ceullar hailed Iraq's offer as a ''major new development'' toward implementing a 1987 U.N. peace plan.

Iranian officials were reported to have been privately ''overjoyed'' with Baghdad's proposal, but reserved any official comment until they could examine the full text of the Iraqi offer.

Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati said the Iraqi president's letter was handed to an Iranian official at Ahwaz, near the Iraqi border, but the document had not reached Tehran by late Wednesday.

Both sides have maintained thousands of troops along their 750-mile joint border, which a small U.N. force of some 300 men has patrolled since 1988. Although they have exchanged accusations of breaking the cease-fire, U.N. officials have not reported any major violations.

News that Iraq might be willing to negotiate a settlement to the Persian Gulf crisis sent the Tokyo stock market Wednesday rocketing to its second-biggest one-day rally of the year, rebounding from its recent drop after Japan agreed to abide by the embargo. But the talk of peace also prompted a flurry of dollar-selling in Europe and Japan. In Frankfurt, the dollar plunged to a record postwar low of 1.5625 German marks.

The Pentagon said 45,000 heavily armed Marines were arriving in Saudi Arabia to confront Iraq in Operation Desert Shield, joining 26,000 U.S. troops already in the oil-rich kingdom as of Tuesday.

The U.S. Air Force's fleet of cargo jets and tankers is running at full throttle to get men and weaponry into Saudi Arabia. But the operation is taxing the system and Air Force officials, who rely heavily on charter flights for troops to make more cargo planes available to bring in

military equipment.

In Saudi Arabia, Brig. Gen. Turk Bin Nasser, a member of the Saudi royal family, said his own forces had no qualms about fighting fellow Arabs should Iraqi troops attack the kingdom.

''We would not like to see Arabs fighting Arabs, but if we have to we will do it,'' the general told reporters in a military pool.

The official also discounted Iraq's ability to hit populated Saudi areas with chemical weapons and said many of the command responsibilities of the growing multinational defense force in Saudi Arabia remain unresolved.

The Iraqi government, meanwhile, tightened its grip on foreigners, including an estimated 3,000 Americans stranded in Iraq and Kuwait, indicating they would not be permitted to leave until the crisis is resolved. But the State Department continued to resist calling them hostages.

In Kuwait, some of the bravest resistance to the Iraqi occupation came from groups of women protesting in the streets, The Washington Post reported.

A Post correspondent saw about 60 women demonstrate Aug. 6 in the Rumaithiya neighborhood of Kuwait City. No Iraqi troops were present.

''We don't want Iraq. We don't want Saddam,'' one woman said.

Another woman said, ''All women of Kuwait are resenting this (invasion). They are protesting this.''

The report said Iraqi troops had begun firing at the women and cited one unconfirmed account that four people, including a 16-year-old girl, had died of injuries received during an Aug. 8 protest in the Jabiriya neighborhood.

Iraqi troops are stationed at government installations and most hotels in the capital. Soldiers have placed tanks beside the beach and anti-aircraft guns near the city, the newspaper said.

Refugees reported widespread cases of looting in banks, gold shops and homes.

Thousands of priceless Persian carpets and other valuables in the palace of the emir were being removed by trucks to Iraq, the refugees said.

In Cairo, Kuwait's exiled foreign minister said Iraqi occupation troops would have to blow up the whole building to get at millions of dollars

worth of gold in the safes of Kuwait's central bank, the Egyptian Gazette said.

''Even if the Iraqis decided to blow up the bank's safe, which contains 150 million dinars ($450 million) worth of gold, the central bank's building would sink in the gulf water as the building is designed this way '' Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabbah was quoted as saying.

A gulf Arab government official in the United Arab Emirates said any Iraqi move to defuse tension in the region was welcome, but warned Baghdad against trying to use ''an Iranian card'' against gulf Arabs.

Syria, meanwhile, was ''extremely concerned'' about a possible rapprochement between Iraq, its arch ideological foe, and Iran, its ally, an Arab envoy said.

Since the suspension of the gulf war and the death of Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini, Iran has eased its anti-Western rhetoric. Iran's pragmatist president, Hojatoleslam Ali Akbar Rafsanjani, has made it clear his priority is revamping his country's war-shattered economy.

As part of their enforcement of the U.N.-mandated trade embargo, U.S. and British ships patrolled the waters of the gulf, under orders to interdict Iraqi shipping. A British frigate has challenged a Cypriot oil tanker thought to be carrying Iraqi oil. Two Iraqi tankers also were turned away from the United Arab Emirates.

The U.S. and British actions were criticized by other U.N. members, and Washington agreed Tuesday to discuss coordinating military actions with its U.N. Security Council partners.

The United States, with 55 warships sent to the region, maintains it has the military and legal authority to board vessels suspected of violating the economic boycott.

France said its naval forces would not seize Iraqi cargo ships at sea because such a measure would constitute an act of war.

Besides foreign warships already in the gulf, Belgium, Italy and Britain announced they were sending nine ships to the Mediterranean. Greece also placed its naval facilities at the disposal of West Germany to enable it to station a squadron of minesweepers off the East Mediterranean island of Crete. Three British minesweepers were expected to arrive in about three weeks.

Saudi Arabia also was asking for military assistance from Indonesia and Malaysia, a Saudi diplomat said in Jakarta.

Iraq has called any naval blockade illegal. The Iraqi newspaper Al Jumhuriya said Saddam's forces know how to penetrate a blockade and would ''make (U.S.) troops taste death if they attack.''

Jordan is permitting its Red Sea port of Aqaba to allow in limited shipments of food and other material, which is then sent to Iraq by truck convoy. A Norwegian ship's captain said he was forced by Jordanian police to unload Iraq-bound grain from his vessel in Aqaba, news reports in Oslo said Tuesday.

Sources said shipping into the port had diminished Wednesday and there was no new cargo to unload.

Jordan, Iraq's neighbor to the west, is caught between demands from the West to enforce the embargo and pressure from Baghdad to keep access open for Iraq to the port of Aqaba.

Bush said Tuesday it may be necessary to intercept ships bound for Jordan to sever Iraq's economic lifeline. ''If it's a hole through which commerce flows in an otherwise tight net, I would certainly think that Aqaba should be closed to Iraqi commerce,'' he said.

In reaction to the volatile situation in the region, Jordan has called on its citizens to conserve water, build bomb shelters and maintain adequate food.

Meanwhile, Saudi Arabia will substantially cut deliveries to U.S. oil companies and other large customers next month in a reallocation of its oil exports that could eventually affect petroleum prices, U.S. industry sources said Wednesday.

''They're cutting back September liftings by 15 to 20 percent in order to reallocate their barrels,'' said one source who requested anonymity.

Saudi Arabia is the largest foreign supplier of crude oil to the United States, accounting for about 19 percent of U.S. oil imports.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) UPI - The Securities and Exchange Commission said Wednesday that 12 former officers and associates of ZZZZ Best, the corporate shell that masqueraded as a carpet cleaning empire, have agreed to permanent injunctions against violating securities laws.

The dozen included Barry Minkow, the whiz-kid founder of ZZZZ Best who was convicted of 57 counts of fraud and conspiracy and sentenced in March 1989 to 25 years in prison. Five of the others have been convicted of fraud and

received sentences ranging from 60 days to eight years.

ZZZZ Best collapsed in 1987 after having obtained loans and making stock offerings to the tune of about $26 million, based on phony estimates by the company that it was producing annual revenues of $43 million.

The SEC said the injunctions stemmed from its investigation into fraudulent conduct in the company's 1986 filings for a $15 million public offering, included these misrepresentrations:

-That the company said it had generated $5 million in revenues in 1986 from its insurance restoration business, which was actually non-existent.

-That the company said it had bought 22 generators worth $2 million, which were actually worth $600,000.

-That ZZZZ Best failed to disclose that the company that bought the generators on behalf of ZZZZ Best, 4Z, and the company that sold them were both owned by the same person, Maurice Rind. The SEC said the filings did not disclose that Rind had received $700,000 in compensation for arranging the deal.

-That a company owned by one of the ZZZZ Best directors had sold equipment to the company for more than $1 million during 1986, when in fact neither the company nor the equipment existed.

Karen Matteson, a senior SEC trial attorney, said the injunctions enable the agency to seek stiff criminal penalties if the individuals violate securities laws again.

She also said that when an individual agrees to an injunction, it does not constitute an admission of guilt.

The SEC said that in connection with the investigation and the injunctions it had filed a federal lawsuit in Los Angeles against the 12 people who agreed to the injunctions.

Besides Minkow, the defendants are: former ZZZZ Best officers Bruce T. Anderson, Charles Arrington III and Mark Morze; former board members Hal Berman, Daniel Krowpman, Harold Lipman and Neal Dem; and former ZZZZ Best suppliers Henry Kitsch, Edward Krivda, Thomas Padgett and Robert Victor.

The SEC said that it has also sued Rind and Mark Roddy, who posed as a supplier of insurance restoration projects to ZZZZ Best. Neither has agreed to an injunction.

The SEC is also seeking $700,000 from Rind for the generators. Rind, who was described as a financial consultant to ZZZZ Best, was not immediately

available for comment.

Arrington, Krivda, Krowpman, Morze, Padgett and Roddy have all been convicted in connection with the case.

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AUG. 15) UPI - US Sprint's major cost control effort, introduced after the company reported a second-quarter loss, held down costs last month, Chairman William Esrey told employees Wednesday.

In a letter addressed to colleagues, Esrey said the company's effort to reduce costs - including laying off up to 1,300 support and corporate employees systemwide - resulted in lower cost increases during July than in previous months.

Esrey attributed the successful cost containment effort to employees' individual efforts, but added that these efforts must continue during August, typically a slow growth month for Sprint.

Sprint on July 17 announced a $42 million net operating loss, including a one-time charge of $72 million, for the second quarter.

Esrey's letter said another welcome development at Sprint was ''marked growth'' in minutes of long distance use during July, higher than any other month during the year.

The Sprint chairman also addressed what he called widespread speculation about a revival of billing problems at the company.

''We have no fundamental billing problems,'' the letter said. ''We are currently transitioning our customer base to a new advanced invoice processing system, which delivers to our customers never before available management tools for running their businesses and households.''

Esrey said nearly all Sprint's residential customers and many of its small business customers were receiving the detailed bills.

''US Sprint is currently billing its customers on time and well within accepted industry standards,'' he wrote.

The company's ''force realignment'', Esrey said, is essential but painful.

The Sprint chairman said his letter was intended to reassure employees that their ''confidence in Sprint is well founded''. Esrey said he was concerned that ''overreaction'' and negative publicity surrounding Sprint's second-quarter earnings announcement ''did not focus on the

underlying strength of our company.''

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#90227u2279 08/15/1990 ~United Press International
SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic (AUG. 15) UPI - Dominican workers ended their general strike Wednesday following two days of protests that left 13 people dead and at least 60 wounded, with more than 1,000 demonstrators arrested.

Organizers called off the scheduled two-day strike but warned they would call another if President Joaquin Balaguer does not change the government's new economic policies.

Thirteen people, including a 12 year old, were killed by military and police gunfire. The victims were identified by police and hospitals.

At least 60 people were reported wounded, many of whom were being treated Wednesday at hospitals across the country.

Virtudes Alvarez, a spokeswoman for the strike organizing committee, accused the police and the army of firing indiscriminately on demonstrators. Alvarez charged that a number of those killed were dragged from their homes and shot.

Police Chief Jose Ramon Mota Paulino said the 13 were killed in violent outbreaks instigated by strike organizers. ''The forces of order had no intention of firing against civilians,'' he said.

Nelsida Marmolejos, a deputy for the Dominican Liberation Party and a union leader, said: ''The strike is finished. We lifted it at at 6 in the morning satisfied that the people have triumphed.''

Marmolejos and Alvarez said the unions would call another strike, ''within a reasonable period,'' if the government does not go back on the so-called Economic Solidarity Pact signed last week with business leaders.

The strike organizing committee called on the government to set free all protesters detained by authorities during the strike. Police and the strike organizing committee said more than 1,000 people were arrested, mostly in the capital and other major cities.

Demands of the strikers include a 150 percent wage increase for workers and a monthly salary for professionals of at least 5,000 pesos, equivalent to $475. Professionals now make about $200 a month.

Last week, Balaguer increased prices for basic goods. He also raised wages by 30 percent for public employees, who were getting an average of $60 a

month.

Juan Jose Arteaga, an adviser to Balaguer, said the economic measures will be maintained.

Balaguer is scheduled to start his a second four-year term Thursday.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 15) UPI - Weber-Stephen Products Co. filed two law suits Wednesday charging Margaret Worldwide Merchandize Corp. and Ingood Co. Ltd., both of Taipei, Taiwan, of consumer fraud and trademark infringement.

The suits asked a federal judge to order the companies to stop selling the grills that are ''confusingly similar to Weber's Kettle'' grill.

The suit accused Margaret of making and selling copy-cat grills.

The Weber, as it's commonly known, was invented in 1955 by George Stephen. The bowl-shaped grill is better for conducting heat and preventing flare-ups than other designs, said the company, based in Palatine, Ill.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 15) UPI - Former Atlanta Roman Catholic Archbishop Eugene Marino was moved from a church retreat near New York City to a psychiatriac hospital last week after attempting suicide, it was reported Wednesday.

WAGA-TV in Atlanta, quoting anonymous sources, said Marino was moved from the Trinity House church retreat near Larchmont, N.Y., to the St. Vincent's Hospital of Westchester, N.Y., after the unusccessful suicide attempt.

Father Peter Dora, the spokesman for the Atlanta Archdiocese, declined to comment, saying it was a private medical matter outside the jurisdiction of the archdiocese.

Marino resigned July 10 as the archbishop of the Atlanta archdiocese, citing personal and health problems. A short time later, it was revealed he had a two-year romantic relationship with Vicki Long, a 27-year-old single mother from suburban Riverdale.

Long has since been linked to sexual affairs with a nun and two other priests, one of whom she claimed fathered her daughter.

Last week Long traveled to Chicago to meet with talk show hostess Oprah Winfrey, and this week her picture and story appeared in several tabloids.

Long, meanwhile, was admitted Monday to the West Paces Ferry Hospital after complaining of abdominal pain. She was released Wednesday afternoon and returned to her Riverdale home.

Her physician, Dr. Reginald Fowler, said Tuesday that Long was undergoing tests to learn the cause of her stomach pains. Fowler said he believed the pain had physicial rather than psychologial origins. But Fowler added that ''any medical problem that has pain involved could have a psychological component.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 15) UPI - The jury in the rape and attempted murder trial of three youths accused of attacking a woman jogger in Central Park Wednesday appeared to be considering the final charges needed to reach a verdict.

In its seventh day of deliberations, the jury sent out notes asking to rehear the legal definitions of rape and sodomy. The 10-man, two-woman jury also asked to hear again the legal rules for determining guilt based on the theory of acting in concert.

Antron McCray, 16, Yusef Salaam, 16, and Raymond Santana, 15, are accused of gang raping and beating a 30-year-old investment banker in Central Park on April 19, 1989.

They are charged with joining as many as 30 other youths who who went ''wilding'' through the moonlit park - randomly beating and robbing victims.

Each is charged with 13 criminal counts - including attempted murder and rape - stemming from the attack on the female jogger and assaults on two male joggers.

The jury late Wednesday sent out two separate notes concerning the attempted murder count, the first requesting legal guidance on reaching a verdict on the charge.

Justice Thomas Galligan explained that the jury must find ''intent'' to commit murder, advising the jury to look at how badly the woman was beaten.

The jury then sent out the second note, asking for any testimony concerning the severity and number of blows to the jogger's head and torso.

The panel retired for the night at 6:45 p.m. and will resume its deliberations after the testimony is read back at 10 a.m. Thursday.

Earlier in the day, as the three teens fidgeted in their seats in state Supreme Court, the jurors listened intently to Justice Thomas Galligan's explanation of the legal requirements for reaching a guilty verdict.

On rape, Galligan said, the jury must find three things: there was penetration, ''however slight,'' the act occured ''without her consent'' and she was forced to comply through physical force or threat of force.

Under the theory of acting in concert, a person who completes 1 percent of an act is as guilty as one who undertakes 99 percent of it, the judge said. As an example, he referred to a bank robbery that involves a person who planned the crime, a lookout, a getaway driver and a gunman who carries it out.

''The planner and each of those who never went into the bank are equally guilty as the man who went into the bank to forcibly rob it,'' Galligan explained.

Both McCray and Santana gave police both written and videotaped confessions. Salaam made incriminating statements to a detective but did not sign a written confession or make a video.

McCray in his video said he climbed on top of the woman but claimed he feigned intercourse. Santana in his video said he knelt next to the woman and grabbed her breasts.

A detective testified that Salaam told him he hit the jogger twice with a pipe and felt her breasts.

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WORCESTER, Mass. (AUG. 15) UPI - Wyman-Gordon Co. said Wednesday it has canceled plans to sell its automobile crankshaft forging and machining plants in Jackson, Mich., and Danville, Ill., to a British company.

The Worcester-based company signed a letter of intent in June with United Engineering Steels Ltd. of Rotherham, England. ''Since it became clear that final agreement could not be reached, further negotiations were terminated by mutual agreement,'' said Donald M. Tucker, vice president of law and administration for Wyman-Gordon.

''Price was part of it but there were a lot of issues and sticking points '' added F. James Walnista, a Wyman-Gordon spokesman. The company would not disclose its asking price or what UES offered.

''Sure, it's on the market,'' Walnista said, ''but for now we're just going back to operating them as we did before. We have no plans to go out and seek a buyer.''

He said the plans to sell to UES were part of the company's strategy, which has not changed, to ''devote our energies to aerospace.'' He said the plants probably would be sold eventually.

The Danville, Ill., factory forges crankshafts and employs about 230 workers and the Jackson, Mich., facility has 409 workers, Walnista said.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - The State Department resists describing the estimated three-thousand U-S citizens in Iraq and Kuwait as ''hostages.'' But that word is becoming increasingly appropriate as Iraq tightens its control over the up to three-Million foreigners stranded by the Iraqi invasion. Iraq itself refers to those people as ''restrictees.''

President Bush gave a pep talk today at the Pentagon. His address was also aimed at criticism that he has NOT fully explained the reasons behind the U-S military deployment to Saudi Arabia. Bush said Operation Desert Shield- in his words- ''is about fighting aggression and preserving the sovereignty of nations.'' Bush said it's also ''about keeping our word- our solemn word of honor- and standing by old friends.''

Fire officials are worried that 23-thousand firefighters in the West may face greater risk of injuries or deaths as they get more fatigued. But those on the front lines are being helped by cooler weather and higher humidity. Firefighters are said to be getting an upper hand on at least nine of the 21 major fires. But forecasts call for more dry lightning east of the Cascades and Sierra... raising worries of new fires.

U-S Representative Joseph Moakley says El Salvador's military leaders are- in his words- ''engaged in a conspiracy to obstruct justice'' in the slaying of six Jesuit priests and two other people in San Salvador last November. The Massachusetts Democrat is head of a House task force watching over the investigation into the killings. That task force has already issued a report saying the Salvadoran investigation is at a ''standstill.''

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#90227u2382 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 15) UPI - A man armed with a military-style rifle held up two FBI agents on a stake-out early Wednesday, taking one of their cars,

police said.

The agents were in separate vehicles parked close by each other when the thief approached them about 12:30 a.m. near a McDonald's restaurant on Century Boulevard, police Cdmr. Willian Booth said.

The two agents escaped, but the thief drove off in one of their cars, a 1990 black Mustang.

Booth said the car contained ''at least a shotgun,'' a cellular telephone and a law enforcement radio.

FBI spokesman Fred Reagan declined to discuss the incident.

Police believe the suspect, described only as a black man in his 20s, had an accomplice, who was driving a 1979 gold Toyota.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) UPI - President Bush, rallying U.S. servicemen behind the sweeping American military action in the Persian Gulf, called on the nations of the world Wednesday to ''ensure that no goods get in and that not one drop of oil gets out'' of Saddam Hussein's Iraq.

On the eve of critical talks with King Hussein of Jordan, a country through which Saddam has reportedly been shipping supplies despite U.N.-ordered sanctions, Bush said, ''Our action in the gulf is about fighting aggression and preserving the sovereignty of nations.

''It is about keeping our word - our solemn word of honor - and standing by old friends,'' he added.

Bush, renewing his call on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, made the remarks at the Pentagon to some 2,000 Pentagon employees shortly after receiving a high-level briefing on the crisis in the gulf.

Telling the military personnel that they had launched over the past 10 days ''one of the most important deployments of allied military power since the second world war,'' Bush lashed out at the Iraqi president for the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and pointed to his growing isolation.

''The American people are with us. Congress is with us. Our allies are with us. And the vast majority of the Arab people are with us,'' Bush declared. ''No one should doubt our staying power or our determination.''

Bush left Washington after the pep talk to return to his summer home at Kennebunkport, Maine, where his is to meet with Hussein, a longtime friend

on Thursday. The president, who declared last week he would not let the crisis make him a prisoner in the White House, headed out for a round of golf in the afternoon and refused to answer questions about his upcoming meeting with the king.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater told reporters the U.S. side is ''willing to listen to (Hussein's) concerns and we're certainly eager to express our viewpoints and tell him what our policy is.''

Bush articulated the U.S. policy bluntly during his remarks at the Pentagon, saying, ''Sanctions are working. Ships of numerous countries are sailing with ours to see that the United Nations sanctions - approved without dissent - are enforced.

''And together we must ensure that no goods get in and that not one drop of oil gets out.''

Bush's call for concerted international action to support a tightly drawn quarantine against Iraq carried a special message for the Jordanian king, whose nation is torn between the Western blockade and the economic cost of halting trade with Iraq.

Hussein, carrying a peace plan he drafted with Saddam, arrived at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington early Wednesday.

Bush said he was unaware what the two Arab neighbors plan to recommend, but maintainted that he wants Hussein to halt any and all Iraqi-bound shipments through Jordan. If he fails to do so, the president says, U.S. forces may.

After confering with King Hussein, Bush will meet in Kennebunkport with Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister, Prince Saud al Faisal, and Saudi Ambassador to the United States, Prince Bandar bin Sultan, the White House said.

On Tuesday, Bush said he does not believe that Saddam sees the Americans as shields against U.S. attacks. ''But it's a troubling situation when people are held against their will,'' he told a White House news conference.

ABC News, quoting sources in Iraq's foreign ministry in Baghdad, said Tuesday night that Iraq has labeled Americans in Iraq and Kuwait as ''restrictees'' who will not be allowed to leave until the crisis in the Persian Gulf is resolved.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said he was not familiar with the report and thus could not comment on it.

The president also offered no hope of a diplomatic solution soon to settle the showdown between Iraq and much of the world over Baghdad's Aug. 2 takeover of Kuwait.

''I don't see it right now,'' he said. ''But as (U.N.-backed economic) sanctions take effect - and it's going to take awhile - I would hope there would be a diplomatic solution.''

Hussein is a longtime U.S. friend, but he has also voiced support for Saddam, even calling him an ''Arab patriot.'' On Sunday, he telphoned Bush and asked for a face-to-face meeting to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis.

Bush readily agreed, and on Tuesday, he told reporters, ''It's going to be an interesting conversation.''

The president said he was concerned that Jordan may provide the means for Iraq to escape the full weight of a U.N.-mandated embargo, backed up by a de facto U.S. naval blockade.

Bush refused to pass judgment on reports of shipments of goods to Iraq through the Jordian port of Aqaba, but said any country that permitted such activity ''would be in violation of the sanctions.''

He said, ''If it's a hole through which commerce flows in an otherwise tight net, I would certainly think that Aqaba should be closed to Iraqi commerce.''

Asked about Hussein's charges Monday that the U.S. forces had created an ''explosive situation'' in the Middle East, Bush said, ''I don't agree with that.''

''I think we are there not to have the situation explosive, but to supplement fully what the United Nations has done in condemning this outrageous aggression'' by Iraq in its takeover of Kuwait, the president said.

Bush said Hussein made no mention in their telephone conversation Sunday of the peace plan he and Saddam drafted. On Sunday, Bush rejected a conditional peace initiative by Saddam as ''a replay of old positions.''

Hussein, torn between political loyalties and economic dependencies, has tried with limited success to find middle ground, alternately drawing the wrath of all sides.

A defensive Bush is now drawing some heat himself.

He said Tuesday that he believed the United States was correct in beginning unilateral naval blockade against Iraq Sunday, even though other

nations have complained he should have sought help of other U.N. members first.

''I think we acted legally,'' the president said.

Regardless, the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council agreed to discuss a Soviet suggestion to create a U.N. military command in the Persian Gulf for joint operations against Iraq.

The State Department recommended to the ambassadors of Britain, France, the Soviet Union and China that the meeting be convened at U.N. headquarters in New York no later than the end of this week.

Bush said he does not ''have any problems talking to the Soviets.'' But he said, ''I don't think it's essential to have a U.N. flag for countries to carry out their responsibilities.''

Amid fresh estimates that the buildup of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, which borders on Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, may exceed 100,000, Bush said Tuesday he still does not know how much the military operation will cost.

Some experts, however, have estimated that it is already costing millions of dollars a day, and the administration acknowledges that the expense may force revisions in budget plans.

Kuwait foreign minister, Saud al Sabah, met with Bush Tuesday and thanked the president for ''standing up to bullies and dictators.''

During a picture-taking session in the Oval Office, al Sabah also delivered a simple message: ''All we want is to free our country.''

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(AUG. 15) UPI - The Pentagon says it will send Fbombers to the Middle East. NO word on how many of the 56 jets will be sent or exactly where... although they're believed to be going to Saudi Arabia. The radar-evading planes were first used in combat during the U-S invasion of Panama last December. In addition, a fourth aircraft carrier, the U-S-S John F. Kennedy, left port today for the Middle East.

Sources say while the United States is squeezing off supplies to Iraq, U-S forces will probably let food through eventually to prevent starvation. A State Department official says embargo measures must first be ''Draconian'' to try to drive Iraqi President Saddam Hussein from office. But if the Iraqis are hungry, the official says food will likely be let through so people doN'T think the United States wants to starve Iraq.

Fire officials say the potential for accidents at wildfires in the West increases as fatigue sets in among firefighters. In California's Yosemite National Park today, a firefighter was hospitalized with neck and back injuries after being hit by a tumbling boulder. Some 23-thousand men and women are working to subdue 21 major fires throughout the West.

Soviet President Gorbachev today restored the Soviet citizenship of all those stripped of their citizenship or exiled from the country between 1966 and 1988. The decree did NOT mention Nobel laureate Alexandr Solzhenitsyn by name, but officials say it clearly includes him. The Soviet author has lived on a remote estate in Vermont since his exile in 1974.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - New York City's Board of Correction is investigating the prison on Rikers Island amid reports that guards took part in a ''systematic clubbing'' of inmates after putting down a near-riot last night. Angered guards supposedly marched inmates who did NOT take part in the riot out of their cells and to a place in the prison where their heads were beaten against walls. The officers' union denies the report.

A man sent into a coma by a cocaine-laced malt drink last month will remain on life-support... even though doctors say he is brain-dead. An attorney for the man's relatives say the family is waiting to be sure there is NO hope for recovery. The man... who is hospitalized in Miami... began breathing on his own yesterday, just hours before he was to be unhooked from life-support systems. But a neurologist says the movements may be due to muscle spasms and NOT brain activity.

A new medical study says the only drug approved by the U-S government for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease appears to be utterly ineffective. Researchers at the Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia say they found NO difference between the mental abilities of Alzheimer's patients receiving the drug and those who were given a placebo.

The owner of a Taylorsville, North Carolina, convenience store has had his gas pumps shut down because he refused to pass on an eight-cent-a-gallon price increase. An Exxon gas distributor padlocked the pumps Monday, claiming he owns the pumps and the gas David Rice sells. Rice, owner of the Crossroads Trading Post, says he ''just did NOT want to be labeled as a gas-gouger.''

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(AUG. 15) UPI - President Bush returned to Kennebunkport, Maine,

following a high-level Pentagon briefing on the Persian Gulf crisis today. Bush meets with Jordan's King Hussein tomorrow. Afterwards, the White House says he'll meet with the Saudi foreign minister and Saudi ambassador to the United States.

Palestinian extremist leader Mohammed Abul Abbas called on his fighters to ''hit American interests'' in a show of solidarity with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. The statement was released today in the southern Lebanese port city of Sidon.

In the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, Palestinians observed a general strike today in support of Saddam. Shops were closed and streets were mostly empty in observance of the general strike... called by the outlawed Islamic Resistence Movement, Hamas.

The State Department confirms that an American woman and her 10-year-old daughter were killed in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, when they were caught in the crossfire between police and a criminal.

Officials say the wildfires charring the West are gaining the upper hand. But officials are worried that fatigue will begin to take its toll... leading to more injuries and deaths on the firelines.

At California's Yosemite National Park, officials met today to consider when to re-open the 750-thousand-acre park... closed since Friday for the first time in its history. One of three fires that shut down the park was contained early today.

The Navy says one flier was killed and another critically injured today when their AE Intruder fighter-bomber crashed 35 miles south of Maryland's Paxtuxent Naval Air Station. The fiery crash occurred in Virginia's Northumberland County.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - A four-day standoff at a prison in Soviet Georgia ended today when K-G-B agents stormed the facility and freed guards who had been taken hostage by seven inmates. The Tass news agency says the hail of gunfire left four security guards and at least one prisoner wounded.

Workers in the Dominican Republic ended their general strike today following two days of protests that left 13 people dead, at least 60 wounded and more than one-thousand demonstrators arrested. Organizers warn that they'll call another strike if the government does NOT change its new economic policies.

An Atlanta television station says former Roman Catholic Archbishop Eugene

Marino was moved from a New York area church retreat to a psychiatric hospital last week after attempting suicide. Marino resigned last month and later it was revealed he had a two-year romance with a 27-year-old woman.

The woman... Vicki Long... has since been linked to sexual affairs with a nun and two other priests, one she claims is the father of her daughter. She was released from a hospital today after being admitted with stomach pains Monday.

New York police say a good Samaritan who tried to stop a fleeing car thief in Queens today had his arm nearly severed when the suspect pushed him through a plate glass window. 24-year-old Joseph Messina was taken to Bellvue Hospital for surgery.

Police in Cheltenham, Pennsylvania, say a terminally ill man has admitted from his hospital bed that he fatally shoot his common-law wife two weeks ago because- in his words- ''she was a pain in the ass and hated my kids.'' Prosecutors say the man may be charged with murder, despite his condition.

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(AUG. 15) UPI - Shipping workers in Aqaba, Jordan, say the flow of goods bound for Iraq is slowing to a trickle. Aqaba had been Iraq's main conduit of trade since a U-N-sanctioned embargo against Iraq. But Jordanian sources today said the amount of goods received at the port has decreased by 80 percent since the embargo. Truck drivers say there are few goods to deliver except for those being cleaned out of storage houses used by Iraq.

A German doctor and a Spanish colleague were indicted today on charges of conspiring to smuggle arms to Iraq, Iran and Libya. The weapons allegedly included thousands of armor-piercing missiles and poison-gas artillery shells. Customs Service agents arrested the two Monday in Orlando, Florida. Authorities began the investigation last year on a tip from an official with a strategic technology company.

Democratic Representative Barbara Boxer of California is demanding a Pentagon investigation into the activities of an out-of-control Green Beret unit that reportedly became involved in illegal arms sales, gold- and drug-trafficking... and murder. The 80-member unit was sent home at the request of the Thai government in 1988. Boxer accuses the Pentagon of covering up the unit's activities to avoid embarrassment.

Exxon cleanup crews are going to be working longer than they expected this summer in tending to the Alaska coastline soiled by last year's Valdez oil spill. Exxon and the Coast Guard had agreed on an August 15th deadline,

but Exxon officials say as much as one-quarter of the coast cleaned this summer still needs additional work before the crews quit for the winter next month.

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#90227u2897 08/15/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 15) UPI - A Soviet official says Nobel Prize laureate Alexander Solzhenitsyn has been given back his Soviet citizenship. Tass today ran a vague decree, in which Soviet President Gorbachev restored the citizenship to those people who'd been stripped of it between 1966 and 1988. The head of the Tass news agency says the decree includes Solzhenitsyn, who has lived in Vermont since 1974.

77-year-old Mary Pigeon of Warwick, Rhode Island, will go to jail next month if she does NOT reveal the whereabouts of her daughter, Elaine Yates and two grandchildren. Yates left her husband five years ago, and he's suing Pigeon in order to find out where his wife is living. Pigeon claims she doesN'T know where her daughter is. But a judge thinks otherwise, and has ordered her to begin a stay in jail on September 10th unless she comes clean.

An Illinois state Supreme Court justice today put on hold appointments of guardians for Chicago-area twins and their dying half-brother in a court battle over a possible bone marrow transplant. The father of the 12-year-old leukemia victim is suing his former lover to have the twins he fathered by her undergo blood tests to determine if they could donate blood marrow to the boy.

Two Utah companies think they have found gold in that there blue- faded blue jeans, that is. The companies are paying as much as 11 dollars a pair for used blue jeans... sending them on to Europe and Japan, where they are considered more stylish than new jeans, and where they sell for between 30 and 60 dollars a pair. The firms are hoping to strike while the iron is hot on the jeans. One company official says ''It could change tomorrow. You know how the clothing fashion business goes.''

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameritrust Corp. (NASDAQ:AMTR) announced that it is implementing a cost management program that is expected to lower expenses by $28 million in 1991 and $32 million in 1992.

The program involves a reduction in staffing levels of 780 employees corporate-wide, approximately 40 percent of which will be achieved through normal attrition and reduction in the use of temporary services, and the elimination or downsizing of certain non-strategic businesses.

In 1990, a restructuring charge of between $14 million to $18 million will be recorded and will be offset in whole or in part by reduced operating expenses and gains arising from extraordinary transactions. The restructuring charge includes the costs of transition benefits for displaced employees and will be recorded in the third quarter of this year.

''In order to continue to provide a high quality of service in a cost efficient manner, we are taking these actions after very extensive planning and consideration,'' said Jerry V. Jarrett, chairman and chief executive officer of Ameritrust. ''We have a history of treating displaced employees fairly, with comprehensive severance options and career transition programs, and we will be very sensitive to our employees' concerns and needs during this time.

Ameritrust is focusing on consumer banking, trust and investment management and relationship corporate banking, with emphasis on small and medium-sized companies in the Midwest. Areas being de-emphasized include non-relationship corporate lending, especially in the area of syndicated highly leveraged transactions, which will result in reduced revenues.

Ameritrust also announced yesterday that the Board of Directors had declared a regular dividend of 32 cents per common share, payable Sept. 7, 1990, to common stockholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 27 1990.

The Board of Directors of the lead bank also entered into an understanding with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency which responds to regulatory concerns arising from the 1990 examination. The previously announced action plan adopted by the Board in July addresses the same issues.

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BOULDER, CO (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Sterling-Rice Group, a Boulder-based marketing consulting firm, announced Thursday that they have been retained by four new clients.

In the past few weeks, Kraft General Foods, Curtice Burns Meat Snacks (formerly Lowery's), Earth Wise (a start-up by Mo Siegel, founder of Celestial Seasonings) and Boulder Sausage have hired SRG to perform a variety of marketing, new product development and advertising assignments.

Says Rick Sterling, president of SRG, ''We're pleased to be cultivating more business in the state of Colorado. Our focus has been on national consumer products companies and that typically means most of our business comes from out-of-state.''

Adds partner Michael Rice, ''It makes sense for us to develop a stronger business base locally. There are many important and progressive companies in this state.''

Sterling-Rice Group specializes in business development and assists a host of local and national consumer products companies. Other SRG clients are: American Lamb Council, Carnation, Ralston Purina, National Livestock and Meat Board, Keebler, Earth's Best Baby Food, and Interlocken among others.

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STEVENS POINT, WI (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of First Financial Corp. today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 16 cents per share payable on Sept. 30 to shareholders of record Sept. 14.

This is the 39th consecutive quarterly dividend payment since the company went public in 1980.

First Financial Corp. is the holding company for First Financial Bank, FSB Wisconsin's second largest financial institution and First Financial-Port Savings Bank, SA. The corporation has assets of $2.9 billion and 79 banking offices throughout Wisconsin and Southwestern Illinois. The company's shares are traded on the National over-the-counter market under the listing symbol FFHC.

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AKRON, OHIO (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - John L. Emerson, manager of payroll personnel information and benefits, has been elected an assistant treasurer.

Joining the company in 1957, Emerson, 58, held various staff and managerial positions in the Comptrollers Division during his first 27 years with Goodyear. He was manager of the wholesale operations center,

project leader for the computerization of the retail stores chain and manager of the retail operations center.

In 1987, he was transferred to the Treasury Division and his most recent position, with responsibility for the payroll, pension and medical benefits departments. In addition to his current responsibilities, Emerson will be responsible for accounts payable and risk management functions of the company.

Emerson attended Central Bible College in Springfield, Mo., and the University of Akron.

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MOORPARK, CA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Reflecting the rapid expansion of Moorpark, Calif.-based collectible car auction company Spectrum Vehicle Auctions, co-principals Kurt Hazard and Drew Donen announced Thursday that Holden Raphael has joined them as a partner and Nigel Thewlis has been made general manager.

Raphael, 37, of Calabasas, Calif., a long-time rare-car collector and industry expert, joined Spectrum in 1985 as a vice-president and was promoted to president a year later.

His responsibilities at Spectrum include sales force supervision, negotiation of business deals and liaison with large collections. As partner, Raphael takes an equal third share in the company. Married with one child, Raphael was formerly a record producer with Mercury Records and a multi-Platinum award winning musician.

Thewlis, 33, of Northridge, Calif., joined Spectrum in 1987 as the company's auction announcer. Thewlis was soon promoted to event coordinator, and in 1989 he was made vice-president.

As general manager, Thewlis is responsible for all auction administration, contract negotiation and advertising. Thewlis' previous experience and reputation as a dynamic public speaker for the National Notary Association brought him to Spectrum's attention.

Spectrum is the largest rare-car auction business on the West Coast. Last year, Spectrum put up for sale 5,000 cars worth $250 million and gained international notoriety as auctioneer for Zsa Zsa Gabor's Rolls, Jose Canseco's Jaguar, Reggie Jackson's ''muscle cars'' and Sylvester Stallone's ''urban assault vehicle.''

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NAPA VALLEY, CA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Crystal Geyser Roxane has announced plans to triple production with a $3 million expansion at the company's brand new alpine spring water facility in the High Sierra near Mount Whitney.

''There is no doubt that bottled water is the fastest growing segment in the beverage market, but we have been absolutely astounded at the response our new Crystal Geyser alpine spring water has received,'' said Crystal Geyser Chief Executive Officer Peter Gordon.

The expansion was originally targeted for the winter of 1992-93, and will include an additional 20,000 square feet of bottling equipment and storage facilities. The original facility was completed in June of 1990 at a cost of approximately $6 million.

Crystal Geyser, ''America's Natural Beverage Company,'' is the largest American-owned sparkling mineral water company. Products include sparkling mineral waters, flavored sparkling mineral waters, Light Seltzers with Juice, Juice Squeeze, and now, alpine spring water.

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AKRON, OH (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Ohio Edison Co. said that the increase in revenues granted today by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) is inadequate and unreasonable based on evidence presented during a year-long rate proceeding.

The rate increase is the first received by Edison in over two and a half years and includes costs associated with the company's share of Beaver Valley 2, which has been serving its customers since 1987. Edison said that the commission's decision will have a materially adverse effect on the company's financial results. Therefore, Ohio Edison's Board of Directors can be expected to examine the company's ability to maintain its current common stock dividend level. The third quarter common stock dividend is normally declared at the August meeting of Ohio Edison's Board of Directors, scheduled for Aug. 21, 1990.

The PUCO granted an 8.5 percent increase in revenues, or about $142 million. During the rate proceeding, Ohio Edison had proposed a three-step increase which would have kept rate increases at or below the expected inflation rate for four more years. That proposal would have increased revenues about 4.6 percent in 1990, 4.3 percent in 1991, 2.6 percent in 1992, and specified that there would be no further increase before 1994.

The Beaver Valley generating unit will help the company meet its customers' growing needs for electricity over the next 40 years or more and will enable Edison to rely less on its older, less-efficient generating units.

Before requesting the increase, Ohio Edison had initiated measures that significantly reduced the effect of Beaver Valley 2 on electric rates. For example, Edison negotiated a sale and leaseback of a large share of its ownership in the unit, secured sales agreements with other utilities, and achieved substantial reductions in the costs of payroll, financing and fuel.

Ohio Edison is now reviewing the PUCO's 115-page decision in detail. Under Ohio law, the company may request a hearing before the PUCO and ultimately could appeal the decision to the Ohio Supreme Court.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Society Corp. today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 44 cents per common share payable Sept. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record Aug. 28, 1990.

Society Corp. is one of the largest bank holding companies in the Midwest with assets of $15.6 billion at June 30. The holding company has 370 offices in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Florida.

Through its affiliates, Society engages in commercial banking, consmuer banking, mortgage banking and leasing and provides trust and investment banking services.

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EMERYVILLE, CA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Cetus Corp. (NASDAQ: CTUS) announced Thursday that Robert A. Fildes has resigned as president and chief executive officer and as a director of the company.

The resignation resulted from differing views regarding the company's priorities. Ronald E. Cape has been named as chief executive officer and Hollings C. Renton has been elected as president and will continue as chief operating officer of the company. Fildes will provide continuing services to Cetus as a consultant.

"We will continue to build value in our pharmaceutical business and maximize our GeneAmp PCR technology," said Ronald E. Cape. "In the past, we have sought strategic relationships which contributed to our objectives and we now intend to pursue more aggressively alliances which will help us build our business and lower our risk."

The company also announced that it would reduce its workforce by approximately 100 people to lower its current operating expenses. Cetus currently employs 950 people worldwide.

Cetus has advanced various therapeutic products into human clinical testing, notably Proleukin interleukin-2 and Macrolin macrophagecolony stimulating factor. The company's broadly capable research and development organization has a variety of products in development and preclinical testing.

The company has a profitable generic chemotherapeutic venture business currently marketing doxorubicin and five other anticancer products in the United States. Cetus also operates a wholly owned European subsidiary, EuroCetus, which currently markets Proleukin in most Western European countries.

Cetus is noted for its development of GeneAmp polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technology, a method for rapidly amplifying genetic information. The company has embarked upon several commercial applications of the technology including a profitable research instrumentation and reagent venture with the Perkin-Elmer Corp., a diagnostics products and services arrangement with Hoffmann-La Roche, and a forensics product business.

Cape, a founder of Cetus, relinquished the chief executive officer title to Fildes in 1986 and continued as chairman. Renton joined the company in 1981 and was named vice president, finance in 1983.

He was promoted to executive vice president and chief financial officer in 1985 and was named chief operating officer in 1987. Fildes joined the company in 1982 as president and chief operating officer.

Cetus reported cash assets of $155 million at the close of its last fiscal

year ended June 30, 1990. Founded in 1971, Cetus Corp. is headquartered in Emeryville, and also operates EuroCetus in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Microwave Inc. (NASDAQ:WMIC) Thursday announced operating results for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 (the three months ended July 1, 1990). The results are:

(In thousands, except per-share data, unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	7-01-90	7-02-89	7-01-90	7-02-89
Sales	$1,461	$2,277	$6,520	$7,455
Loss before tax provision	(316)	(311)	(626)	(524)
Net loss	$ (316)	$ (311)	$ (627)	(524)
Loss per share	(22 cents)	(22 cents)	(45 cents)	(36 cents)
Weighted average shares outstanding	1,405	1,428	1,405	1,463

The decline in sales was attributed to an interruption in the company's normal manufacturing capabilities occasioned by the restructuring of its operations, the continuing realignment of its top management and organization, the decision to assign a number of production personnel to non-revenue producing warranty repairs, and, to a lesser extent, planning for a relocation of its facility.

The third quarter loss was attributed to cost overruns on several contracts, and increased legal and other expenses and reserves in connection with pending and threatened environmental litigation and other corporate matters involving the ongoing restructuring of the company's operations. These two items accounted for approximately $360,000 during the third quarter.

The company also announced that the lease for its Sunnyvale, Calif., facility expired during the third quarter. The company was unable to reach an agreement with its landlord, who then instituted legal proceedings to evict the company from the facility. The company has leased new space in Sunnyvale, and has commenced its relocation, which is expected to be completed by Aug. 30, 1990.

As a result of the decision of the company to relocate, the landlord has notified the company of his intention to institute legal action against the company for the costs of investigating and remedying suspected toxic contamination at the site, estimated by the landlord to be not less than

$190,000.

In addition, the landlord has notified the company of his intention to hold it liable for lost rents during the estimated 18 month-long cleanup period at the rate of $30,000 per month, and for other administrative costs and legal expenses.

The landlord's claim is in addition to the claim reported by the company during the second quarter from Intersil Inc. In both cases, the company's environmental consultants are assessing the extent of its potential liability, if any, to the landlord and the nature and extent of such liability, if any, cannot be assessed at this time.

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TEMPE, AZ (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - UDC-Universal Development L.P. (NYSE:UDC) Thursday declared regular third quarter distributions on its common, Series A preferred and Series B preferred shares.

Regular third quarter distributions of 50 cents per common share, 93.75 cents per Series A preferred share and 90.625 cents per Series B preferred share are payable Oct. 5 to shareholders of record Sept. 15.

UDC builds quality upscale family and adult residential communities in the six Sun Belt states, with operations in Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina.

Its common and preferred shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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OAKLAND, Calif. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Peter N. Louras, 40, has been appointed vice president-international of The Clorox Company, succeeding Robert J. Diaz, who has left the company to pursue other interests.

Louras most recently had been vice president-controller of the diversified manufacturer and marketer of household grocery products. Henry J. Salvo, 42, will be elected vice president-controller.

He currently is director of business development and will take his post on Dec. 1 after his responsibilities related to integrating the recently acquired Pine-Sol cleaner and Combat insecticide brands into the company's business are completed.

Louras has been with Clorox since 1980, holding increasingly responsibile positions in accounting, finance and administration in the company's charcoal, household products and food service products operations, and at the corporate level. He holds a BA in accounting from Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa., and is a certified public accountant. He and his family reside in Orinda, Calif.

Salvo is an 18-year veteran with Clorox. Prior to his current assignment as director of business development, he had served as controller for each of three of the company's operating units. Earlier, he had held management positions in the household grocery products accounting function.

Salvo is a graduate of the University of California (Berkeley - BA, finance), and earned his MBA at California State University at Hayward. He and his family reside in Alamo, Calif.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert A. Dearth Jr., president and chief operating officer of The Circle K Corp. (NYSE:CKP), Thursday announced the appointment of Karen J. Simon as senior vice president of marketing for the 32-state convenience store chain.

Simon will join Circle K Aug. 27 and manage marketing, procurement, advertising, and merchandising functions.

''The addition of Karen Simon is a key part of our building a stronger management team,'' Dearth said. ''Her experience in the industry and with suppliers will add significant strength to our supplier relationships,'' he added.

A graduate of Southern Connecticut State University (bachelor of arts, '74) Simon most recently was corporate director of marketing for DairyMart Inc., headquartered in Enfield, Conn. At DairyMart she developed and implemented marketing, advertising and merchandising programs for the 1,400-unit convenience store operator.

From 1981 to 1988, Simon was with Cumberland Farms convenience stores, first as director of purchasing operations, then as purchasing manager, and finally as director of retail buying and advertising for the 1,200 store chain.

Circle K operates approximately 4,500 convenience stores in 32 states and has an additional 1,300 licensed or joint venture stores in 14 foreign countries.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Wells Fargo Bank customers now control the world -- with a 24-hour, integrated global cash management system.

Called Hexagon, this electronic banking system lets business customers use personal computers to manage all their worldwide cash positions plus access a wealth of other services.

''We are pleased to offer this powerful and versatile tool to companies with international business activities,'' said Mary Carryer, senior vice president and director of Wells Fargo's international trade services. ''Hexagon gives them the superior electronic banking capabilities overseas that the bank has long provided within the United States,'' she added.

Through Hexagon, users monitor overseas bank account balances, transfer funds between their foreign accounts and Wells Fargo, make international payments, initiate letters of credit, and get market information, including foreign exchange rates and stock prices.

Wells Fargo is offering Hexagon under a license from The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited, which developed the system and now counts over 2,800 subscribers in 28 countries.

Hexagon is the first product introduction resulting from the alliance forged by Wells Fargo and HongkongBank last year.

Under that cooperative agreement, HongkongBank serves Wells Fargo's customers outside the United States while Wells Fargo handles the needs of HongkongBank customers in California.

Hexagon is unique in its ability to support an extensive range of products on a single system. Most other banks have independent products to handle each service.

Hexagon also is truly global. It is on line to more than 1,400 HongkongBank group branches worldwide and accepts information electronically from many other major banks around the world.

Wells Fargo Bank, the principal subsidiary of Wells Fargo & Company, is the tenth largest U.S. bank.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Charles Munnerlyn, Ph.D., chairman of VISX Inc. (NASDAQ:VISX/BSE:VSX) Thursday announced that VISX received approval from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to expand their clinical trials for photorefractive keratectomy (PRK) to allow the treatment of an additional 75 patients who currently use eyeglasses or contact lenses.

VISX believes that it is the first firm to receive this level (Phase IIB) of approval in the ongoing clinical trials evaluating PRK. This expansion was based on the successful completion of two earlier study phases.

PRK utilizes the VISX Twenty/Twenty Excimer Laser System to reshape the cornea in a 30-60 second procedure which can reduce or eliminate the need for eyeglasses or contact lenses.

''This approval represents a significant milestone in our progress toward final FDA clearance,'' stated Munnerlyn. ''Our goal continues to be to work with leading ophthalmologists to assure an expeditious FDA approval of PRK consistent with good science and medicine.''

VISX Inc. designs, manufactures and markets advanced technology systems for ophthalmic applications.

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STAMFORD, Conn. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Warrantech Corp. (NASDAQ:WTEC; WTECD), announced Wednesday results for the company's first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The company again posted record results as gross revenues increased by 297 percent to $12,308,269, up from $4,140,828 recorded in the year earlier

first quarter, due in part, to the acquisition of the assets of Dealer Based Services Inc. Net income more than doubled to $322,913, up from last year's first-quarter results of $154,125.

Deferred revenues to be recognized in future periods increased to $7,647,735, up from last year's first-quarter total of $642,558.

Joel San Antonio, chairman of Warrantech, stated that, ''We are satisfied with the results of the first quarter, as traditionally this is one of our slower times of the year. The expanded customer base utilizing the company's specialized services and continuing efforts to streamline the operations of the company all contributed to the first- quarter results.''

Warrantech administers service contracts for consumer electronic products, appliances and home office equipment. Through their wholly owned subsidiary, Warrantech Dealer Based Services, the company administers service contracts for automobiles, leisure craft marine and recreational vehicles.

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LAKEWOOD, CO (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Capital Associates Inc., a financial services and asset management company, announced Thursday that Ronald A. Larson has been appointed executive vice president and chief financial officer succeeding Gary Jacobs who will focus on projects of special importance to the company.

Larson, 42, devoted the past 20 years to positions of increasing responsibility at First Bank System of Minneapolis. Most recently, as senior vice president, Larson was responsible for the bank's leasing and corporate finance businesses.

Richard Kazan, Capital Associates' chief executive officer, said: ''Mr. Larson's reputation and depth of experience in our industry will result in an immediate and significant contribution to our business. Ron is an ideal compliment to our executive team and will enhance the professional management of Capital Associates.''

Jacobs added, ''I have worked with Ron over the past several years and I am delighted he will be devoting his considerable talents exclusively to Capital Associates.''

Capital Associates Inc. has arranged approximately $2 billion of asset financing. The company provides its predominantly Fortune 1000 customers

with innovative and customized solutions to their equipment financing needs. Capital Associates is headquartered in the greater Denver area and maintains 20 offices nationwide and in Japan.

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DALLAS (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Serv-Air, an E-Systems (ESY) company, has been awarded a $5.7 million contract by the U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command to provide operation and maintenance services at The Naval Air Engineering Center, Lakehurst, N.J.

Overall value for this contract including all exercisable options over a five-year period is expected to exceed $27 million.

Serv-Air specializes in aircraft logistics programs, operations and maintenance services, and communications systems integration, test and repair. With general offices in Greenville, Texas, Serv-Air is staffed with more than 2,500 employees at 75 locations worldwide.

E-Systems is a major worldwide developer and producer of electronic systems and products in the areas of intelligence, reconnaissance and surveillance systems, command and control, electronic warfare, specialized aircraft maintenance and modification, guidance, navigation and control, communications and data systems.

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VAN NUYS, CA. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Com Systems Inc. (AMEX:CTM) Thursday reported a 58 percent increase in revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, to $36,944,000 vs. $23,329,000 for the same period a year earlier.

The company's net loss for the period narrowed to $583,000, or 22 cents per share (after preferred dividends), vs. a loss of $2,876,000, or 60 cents per share (after preferred dividends), during the corresponding period in 1989. Six-months revenue increased 44 percent to $64,841,000 vs. $44,910,000 in 1989, and the net loss for the six months was reduced to $1,525,000 from $2, 075,000 a year earlier.

With completion of the TMC Communications Inc., acquisition, revenue in

the second quarter of 1990 grew by 32 percent over the first quarter of 1990 to $36,944,000. Operating profits increased to $918,000 and earnings before depreciation, amortization and interest increased to $2,564,000 during the period.

Commenting on the quarter, Com Systems Inc. Chairman, Rex Licklider, stated: ''The company continued to improve its operating performance in all areas during the second quarter. The levels of fraudulent use of our network trended downward, general and administrative expenses expressed as a percentage of revenue decreased, and revenues were up significantly.

''The efficiencies we anticipated in our network as a result of the recent acquisition of TMC Communications Inc. began to be realized during the period and new order input was at record levels. Given all these factors, we believe the basis for an improved second half of 1990 is in place.''

Com Systems is a diversified telecommunications company, providing long distance direct-dial and operator-assisted calling and other enhanced services to customers located in the western United States.

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SAN JOSE, CA. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Microscience International Corp. (NASDAQ:MSIC), a leading supplier of high-quality 3 1/2-inch and 5 1/4-inch Winchester disk drives, Thursday reported results for the second-quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter were $22.9 million, down 3 percent from $23.6 million reported for the same period last year. The company had a loss from operations of $2.2 million compared with a loss of $586,000 for the same period last year. Net income was $527,000, or $.008 per share, compared with a net loss of $659,000, or $.04 per share, in the second quarter last year.

Revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990, rose to $50 million from $43.4 million for the 1989 six-month period. There was a net loss from operations of $2.1 million compared with $1.0 million in the similar period last year. Net income totaled $9.7 million, or $.15 per share, compared with a net loss of $1.5 million, or $.10 per share, last year.

During the three and six months ended June 30, 1990, the company sold 3,838,000 and 13,838,000 shares of stock of its Taiwan subsidiary, respectively, to private investors in Taiwan. These sales resulted in net proceeds of approximately $5,598,000 and $20,598,000 respectively and a

gain of approximately $3,795,000 and $13,602,000, respectively.

The sales represented approximately 35 percent of the company's investment in the subsidiary. The company plans to utilize the proceeds from these and future sales to meet its long-term capital needs.

Revenues for the second quarter were down from record revenues of $27.2 million in the quarter ended March 31, 1990, primarily due to lower shipments of the company's older 5 1/4-inch products. This factor, together with lower average sales prices and provisions for excess and obsolete material components of the older products, also led to a decrease in gross margin in the second quarter.

Sales of the company's 3 1/2-inch products continued to grow during the quarter, despite the overall decrease in revenues. The company plans to continue to increase production of its 3 1/2-inch products to meet the strong demand for Microscience products in the marketplace.

The company also announced that it has accepted the resignation of Donald V. Fluken as vice president and chief financial officer. Flukin, who joined Microscience in that capacity in October 1988, has left to pursue other business interests. Candidates for the position are currently being considered.

Microscience International Corp. designs, develops and manufactures industry-leading, high-quality 3 1/2-inch and 5 1/4-inch half-height Winchester disk drives for the desktop computer and workstation industries.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Two of Sacramento's largest health organizations - Foundation Health and Mercy General Hospital - have signed a new agreement that will provide additional medical service options for thousands of Sacramento-area residents beginning Sept. 1.

"The addition of Mercy General as our eighth top-quality hospital stimulates healthy competition - an important consideration for anyone concerned with controlling spiralling health care costs," said Daniel D. Crowley, chief executive officer of Foundation Health Corp., which operates one of California's largest health maintenance organizations.

"Our favorable contract rates with Mercy will help effectively stabilize medical care costs in the Greater Sacramento region as well as providing greater access to health care service for our members," he added.

Sister Bridget McCarthy, president of Mercy Healthcare Sacramento, the parent company of Mercy General, praised the new alliance: "It means greater convenience and more consumer options for hundreds of doctors and their Foundation Health patients who have been asking for such an agreement for some time."

Sister Bridget, Crowley and other officials associated with both organizations symbolically opened the doors to the new relationship Thursday in an undergroupnd tunnel connecting Mercy General Hospital with Mercy Medical Plaza, a new medical office and outpatient services complex that houses dozens of independent physician practices.

"Until this agreement, the physicians in the Medical Plaza and elsewhere were unable to treat Foundation Health patients at Mercy General," said Dr. Roger Mathews, an Ob/Gyn. "This is a major step toward providing greater health care options for hundreds of physicians and thousands of patients in the area."

As a result of the new alliance, Foundation Health's panel of local doctors, already the largest in the Sacramento area, will grow even bigger with addition of the 400-doctor Mercy Independent Practice Association affiliated with Mercy.

Crowley noted that the addition of Mercy General "augments Foundation Health's already outstanding network of hospitals" in the Sacramento area, which includes Mercy San Juan Hospital and Mercy Hospital of Folsom, Sutter Community Hospitals, American River Hospital, Methodist Hospital and the UC Davis Medical Center.

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SUNNYVALE, CA. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - California Microwave Inc. (OTC:CMIC) set records for annual earnings and sales, reporting a 29 percent increase in net income to $6.6 million, or 80 cents a share, on a 16 percent increase in sales to $145.9 million for its fiscal year ended June 30.

Fourth quarter net income increased 17 percent to $1.8 million, or 22 cents a share, on a sales increase of 2 percent to $39.3 million.

The company's sales growth continues to be led by sales to new satellite communications systems customers, particularly international carriers and U.S. government users.

Sales of satellite communications systems and equipment in 1990 increased by approximately 45 percent over those in 1989.

New orders booked totaled $131.9 million, a 10 percent decrease from 1989's record level of $146.4 million. Commercial orders accounted for nearly 60 percent of the company's bookings amount, with international orders comprising nearly half of all commercial orders.

Orders for satellite communications systems and equipment represented about 75 percent of California Microwave's total 1990 bookings. Following the close of the 1990 fiscal year, the company announced a $12.6 million contract for a satellite communications network in Thailand.

Year-end backlog was $111.5 million compared to $125.4 one year ago. The strength of bookings after the end of the fiscal year has brought the backlog at the end of July to over $132 million. Approximately 90 percent of the company's current backlog is expected to be delivered during the next 12 months.

Fiscal 1989 net income was $5.1 million, or 63 cents a share, on sales of $125.4 million. Fourth quarter results last year were net income of $1.5 million, or 19 cents a share, on sales of $38.3 million.

Significant events in California Microwave's 1990 fiscal year included agreement to acquire the remaining minority interest in the company's microwave radio subsidiary, Microwave Data Systems Inc. of Rochester, N.Y.; the successful completion of a major fixed-price U.S. government development contract for a complex, software-intensive intelligence communications system; and the on-time delivery and installation of the Washington-Moscow Hotline satellite earth station.

According to California Microwave's chairman and chief executive officer, Dr. David B. Leeson, ''We are pleased that our sales and earnings reached record levels this year, and expect new records in fiscal 1991.''

In a separate announcement, California Microwave said it will distribute $878,976 in profit-sharing bonuses to employees on Friday, Aug. 17. Additionally, the company announced it had contributed $265,140 in fiscal 1990 to employee accounts in the California Microwave 401(k) Tax-Deferred Savings Plan.

California Microwave Inc. is a leading supplier of microwave and satellite communications systems.

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PARIS (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Suez Ventures, the venture capital subsidiary of COMPAGNIE de SUEZ, focusing on high technology financing, Thursday announced that it is forming an investor group which is conducting due diligence to determine if it will acquire the worldwide operations of DAISY-CADNETIX (DAZIX).

DAZIX, the parent and U.S. operations of which entered Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings in California, is one of the world's leaders in computer aided engineering and computer aided design.

The investor group is made up of European and American venture capital companies, major industrial groups, and certain key managers of DAZIX.

Among others, ADC TECHNOLOGIES, ATHENA VENTURE PARTNERS LP. BURR, EGAN, DELEAGE & Co., EUROAMERICA and SOPAGRI have each signed a potential investor confidentiality and non-competition agreement with SUEZ VENTURES, as has SEIKO INSTRUMENTS, the distributor of DAZIX products in Japan. A number of European and American industrial groups are also examining the opportunity represented by DAZIX.

Of significant importance is the fact that the investor group will include key executives and engineers of DAZIX worldwide.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - System Software Associates Inc. (NASDAQ:SSAX) Thursday reported record earnings and revenues for the third quarter ended July 31.

Net income was $4,513,000, or 38 cents per share, up 52 percent from 25 cents per share in the third quarter of the prior year. Revenues increased to $30,277,000, as compared with $24,302,000 in the like period of the prior year.

Roger Covey, president of SSA, said that software and services revenues increased by 30 percent over the like period of the prior year, but that hardware revenue decreased 67 percent. Covey cited strong continuing demand for the company's products, including AS/SET, the company's new Computer Aided Software Engineering (CASE) product line.

Covey also said that the company had been especially successful in

recruiting affiliate business partners, and had added 14 during the third quarter.

System Software Associates Inc. develops, markets and supports an integrated line of business application software and CASE tools for users of the IBM AS/400 computer through a global network of affiliate business partners and SSA regional headquarters offices.

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DALLAS (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Kimberly-Clark Corp. (NYSE:KMB) Thursday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 68 cents per share.

The dividend is payable Oct. 2 to stockholders of record Sept. 7.

Kimberly-Clark is a manufacturer of household, personal care and health care products, as well as newsprint and business, correspondence and specialty papers.

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FRESNO, CA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Cellular One of Fresno led the way last week in a dramatic effort to provide badly needed emergency telephone service to firefighters in the ravaged Yosemite Valley.

Flames crippled all communications within the park and took down all outside telephone service for several days. In a dramatic three-day effort Cellular One was able to transport equipment from Sacramento, Calif., establish an enhancer at a key location, and distribute phones to U.S. Forest Service and other firefighters.

According to Cellular One representatives, service was still marginal, however, so the company ordered and placed a high gain parabolic antenna in a key location to solve the transmission problem.

By Sunday, firefighters and communications specialists had facsimile capability in the Wawona Command Post. Phones were made available in a Cellular One van on the Wawona golf course, and phone service was in place

at the heliport and the National District Park office.

"I am very proud of our efforts during this emergency," said David Needham Cellular One district manager who is based in Fresno. "Our engineers and technical team worked non-stop to respond and, fortunately, we were successful. An emergency of this kind also underscores the significance of cellular telephone service to our community."

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BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Earl Scheib Inc. (ASE:ESH) at a meeting held Aug. 15, 1990, set forth resolutions declaring a quarterly cash dividend of 9 cents per share payable on Oct. 12, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Sept. 27, 1990.

The board also elected the following officers:
Earl A. Scheib, president and chairman of the board
Donald R. Scheib, vice president
Sam V. Lamonto, vice president
Richard J. Gariglio, vice president
John K. Minnihan, vice president, finance
Irwin R. Buchalter, secretary
Yvonne E. Beattie, assistant secretary

At the Aug. 15, 1990, annual meeting of stockholders of Earl Scheib the stockholders elected the existing slate of directors composed of Earl A. Scheib, Donald R. Scheib, Irwin R. Buchalter, Louis Siegel and Frederick Levy. At the subsequent meeting of the board of directors, Levy submitted his resignation.

The resignation was accepted and Robert Spencer was elected as a director. The stockholders also ratified the appointment of BDO Seidman as the company's independent auditors for the fiscal years ending April 30, 1990 and 1991.

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MILPITAS, CALIF. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Quantum Corp. (NASDAQ:QNTM), a leading supplier of 3-1/2-inch hard disk drives for business personal computers and workstations, said Thursday it plans to announce major

additions to its broad line of high quality, advanced performance drives on Sept. 5, 1990, with new products designed to meet the requirements of laptop, portable and low-end personal computers.

Quantum's sales in fiscal 1990, ended March 31, increased by more than 100 percent over the prior year, to $446.3 million. Sales in the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended June 30, 1990, were $162.7 million, an increase of 77 percent over the $91.8 million reported in the like quarter a year ago.

Elizabeth Baird, director of corporate communications, said that no further details on the product announcement would be available prior to the Sept. 5 introduction.

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LONGVIEW, WA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Longview Fibre Co. (NYSE:LFB) Thursday reported results for the three and nine months ended July 31, 1990.

Consolidated Statement of Income

Net income was essentially the same for the third quarter 1990, but declined 12 percent for the 1990 fiscal year to date. Profits for the manufacturing segments of the business are lower for the quarter and year to date, while log profits are improved.

Logs

Operating profits improved 42 percent for the third quarter while year-to-date operating profits improved 20 percent over a year ago. Volume of logs sold is up 12 percent for the quarter and up 2 percent for the year. Demand and prices remain strong in the export market while declining in the domestic market. It is expected volume sold in the fourth quarter will be at normal levels unless fire weather materially curtails logging. The impact of the spotted owl/ancient trees issue on the forest industry remains a serious concern since guildelines are currently being developed and have not been fully implemented.

Paper and Paperboard

Operating profits are at reduced levels as compared with the same 1989 periods. The third quarter declined 7 percent and year to date declined 17 percent. Scheduled maintenance, mechanical problems, and resulting

lower production are the principal causes for the lower profits. Rate of incoming orders has slowed, but the backlog remains adequate due to lower production. Demand and prices for paper are at satisfactory levels in the domestic market while somewhat lower in the export market. Demand for paperboard in the domestic and export markets has improved while prices remain weak.

Converted Products

Competitive price pressures and reduced sales volume caused operating profits to decline 47 percent and 37 percent for the third quarter and year-to-date 1990 as compared with like periods of 1989.

Other

Interest expensed is up sharply in 1990 due to higher interest rates and increased borrowing for plant, equipment and timberland acquisitions.

Income Taxes

Taxes on income are approximately 35 percent of pretax income for both years.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Capital expenditures are above available funds from cash flow and therefore, increase total borrowing. This is expected to continue for the near future. Adequate financing is available. During the first three quarters, the company purchased 651,420 (post five-for-one split) shares of its common stock and expects to purchase approximately 250,000 additional shares during the remainder of the fiscal year.

Operations/Products

The company owns and operates tree farms in Oregon and Washington which produce logs for sale. Its pulp and paper mill at Longview, Wash., produces, primarily from purchased wood chips and sawdust, pulp which is manufactured into kraft paper and containerboard. The company's 15 converting plants in 10 states produce shipping containers, and merchandise and grocery bags.

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MIDVALE, UH (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Broadcast International Inc.

(NASDAQ:BRIN) Thursday announced that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering the proposed sale of 1,280,000 shares of common stock.

The common stock of Broadcast is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol BRIN. The net proceeds to the company from the offering will be used to finance new customer satellite installations, to open additional offices of CheckRite International Inc. (if the previously announced proposed merger with CheckRite is consummated) and for working capital and other general corporate purposes. William Blair & Co. is managing the underwriting syndicate.

Broadcast installs, operates and provides in-store point-of-purchase advertising, background music, and other point-to-multipoint communication services via private satellite communication systems.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the SEC but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

Broadcast's principal executive offices are located at 7050 Union Park Center, Suite 650, Midvale, Utah 84047. For a copy of the prospectus for this offering contact William Blair & Co., 135 South La Salle St., Chicago Ill. 60603, Attention: Prospectus Clerk

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Reed Benson, 801/562-2252

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GLENDALE, CA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - B. Wayne Hughes, president of Storage Equities Inc. (NYSE:SEQ), announced Thursday that revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1990, were $7,978,500, compared with $8,656,100 for the same period in 1989.

Net income equaled $2,460,700, or 22 cents per share, for the second quarter of 1990. This compares with net income of $2,417,400, or 22 cents per share, for the second quarter of 1989.

Revenues for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, equaled $16,191,600 compared with $17,478,100 for the same period in 1989. Income before extraordinary loss and gain on sale of real estate for the first half of

1990 was 45 cents per share, compared with 45 cents per share for the similar period one year earlier.

Net income was $6,093,600, or 55 cents per share, for the first six months of 1990, including a $1,146,100, or 10 cents per share, gain on the sale of one property. This compares with net income of $4,483,200, or 41 cents per share, after a loss on the early extinguishment of debt of $435,500, or 4 cents per share, for the 1989 six-month period.

A 20-cents-per-share quarterly distribution was declared on Aug. 15, 1990, by the board of directors. The distribution is payable on Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Sept. 14, 1990. Cash available for distribution for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, was $2,898,200, compared with $2,959,100 one year earlier.

Cash available for distribution is generally defined as income before gain on sale of real estate and extraordinary loss on early extinguishment of debt and before deductions for depreciation, amortization and noncash interest expense, plus proceeds from rental guarantees and from the sale of real estate in excess of its original cost.

SEQ is an equity-oriented real estate investment trust (REIT) formed to acquire income-producing real estate and to provide current cash distributions and opportunities for long-term appreciation in the value of its real estate.

SEQ owns interests in 253 properties, of which 21 are wholly owned. The portfolio is strategically located in 35 states. Assets totaled $256,507,200 as of the end of the 1990 second quarter. Public Storage Management Inc. manages the company's properties, and Public Storage Advisers Inc. administers the operations of the company.

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OAK BROOK, Ill. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - United Security Financial Corp. of Illinois (NASDAQ:UNSE) reported operating results for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990, as follows:

Second quarter ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenue from premiums	$ 4,107,600	$ 5,157,800
Total revenues	5,572,000	6,458,300
Net income (loss)	17,100	1,005,300

Earnings per share	$0.00	11 cents
Average shares outstanding	8,732,959	8,732,959

Six months ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenue from premiums	$ 8,100,900	$ 6,665,000
Total revenues	11,216,800	8,263,400
Net income (loss)	297,800	1,060,000
Earnings per share	3 cents	12 cents
Average shares outstanding	8,732,959	8,732,959

Results for the second quarter of 1989 included $770,000 in gross income recorded upon the sale of a subsidiary, Pilgrim Life Insurance Co. of America.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Pacific Corp. Thursday agreed to sell $100 million of 8.85 percent notes, priced at 99.955 percent to yield 8.866 percent to the investor.

The notes mature Aug. 15, 1993, and are non-callable over the life of the issue.

The notes are being issued under a senior debt shelf registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in January 1989. The shelf registration statement is rated AA- by Standard & Poor's Corp. and A1 by Moody's Investors Service Inc.

The notes will be underwritten by and sold through Merrill Lynch Capital Markets, Lehman Brothers, and Salomon Brothers Inc.

Proceeds from the offering will be used by Security Pacific for general corporate purposes.

Security Pacific, the Los Angeles-based financial services company with assets of $94 billion, is the nation's fourth-largest bank holding company.

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TORONTO (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Lemington Limited of Dublin, a wholly

owned subsidiary of Corona Corp. (ASE:IRC.A, ToSE/VcSE/MoSE:ICR.A.,ICR.B.) has acquired 7,195,000 ordinary shares of Conroy Petroleum and Natural Resources PLC of Dublin in open market purchases.

Conroy is principally engaged in the development of a major zinc-lead property at Galmoy in Kilkenny County, Ireland.

These shares, when aggregated with 1,732,277 Conroy ordinary shares, previously owned by an associated company of Corona, Noramco Mining Corp. of Vancouver, represent a total holding of 8,927,277 ordinary shares, or 24.2 percent of the outstanding ordinary shares of Conroy.

To the knowledge of Lemington, this is the largest shareholding in Conroy.

The Galmoy deposit contains in excess of 7 million tonnes grading 11 percent zinc and 1 percent lead. The deposit is only 60-100 meters below surface. Potential production rate is expected to be 1,800 tonnes per day. At this production level reserves are sufficient for over 10 years. Final feasibility was conducted by Kilborn Engineering (B.C.) Limited. Presently, Conroy is procuring all the necessary permits to commence operations.

Over the last few years, Corona has been developing a significant stake in base metals mining, focusing on zinc and lead production through Breakwater Resources Ltd. of Vancouver, Canada, and Noramco, as well as exploration properties held in Canada.

Breakwater, in which Corona has a 27 percent interest, is developing as a major producer of zinc and lead and owns 100 percent of the El Mochito Mine in Honduras, with proven and probable reserves of 3.7 million tonnes grading over 9.5 percent zinc, and 2.7 percent lead.

As well, Breakwater owns 100 percent of the Caribou mine in New Brunswick, which contains 2.8 million tonnes proven and probable reserves of zinc and lead grading 7.8 percent and 3.6 percent, respectively.

Breakwater has the right to earn a 70 percent interest in the significant Estrades Property in Quebec, which is estimated to contain proven and probable reserves of more than 1 million tons grading 10.7 percent zinc with a small percentage of lead. With this acquisition, Corona will become exposed to four producing and developing zinc/lead mines located in diverse and stable political environments.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Brenna Resources Ltd. (VSE:BRW) announced several important corporate developments that are presently occuring at this time.

COLE PROPERTY, RANDSBURG MINING DISTRICT, KERN COUNTY, CALIF.

The company has completed a 12 hole drilling program with very encouraging results. Nine of the 12 holes were drilled on the extension of a low-angle fault system open to both strike and depth. The western extension of the fault system is on ground controlled by Glamis Gold Ltd. The remaining system is on claims optioned to the company.

It seems probable that the largest portion of this system is existing on the company's property. The nine holes drilled through the fault system all intersecting ore-grade mineralization over widths associated with low-cost open-pit heap-leaching mining methods. The weighted average of the nine holes is 60 feet of width grading 0.038 ounces per ton gold.

The strike length covered to-date is 760 feet and is open to the east and to depth. Drill spacing along strike has not exceeded 100 foot centres. The Company's immediate objective is to drill along the eastern extension of the system and to depth.

It is important to understand the Randsburg District when making an evaluation of the information presented. Glamis Gold Ltd., which borders our western, northern and eastern boundaries, have been producing gold from their property for the past 5 years. The average grade of their Yellow Aster property is 0.022 ounces of gold per ton of ore mined. The cut-off grade is 0.01 opt gold. The direct cash cost is less than $190 per ounce of gold or about $4 per ton.

Glamis Gold Ltd. recently purchased the adjacent Echo Bay Mines property for U.S. $5 million and a 1 percent net smelter royalty. The average grade of that deposit is about 0.026 opt gold. Glamis is currently producing 40,000 ounces of gold per year.

The company has revised its agreement to acquire the Cole property and accordingly has submitted the revised agreement for filing with the Vancouver Stock Exchange. The revised agreement contains a one year option period whereby the company may evaluate the said property in order to determine whether a sufficient determinate value exist on the Cole property.

If, in the opinion of the Vancouver Stock Exchange a determinate value does exist on the Cole property, the company may then enter into an agreement for assignment of lease and option. The one year option period

requires the company to issue 50,000 free-trading common shares. The agreements are subject to regulatory approval.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Revenues of Stratford American Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:STRC) rose to $1,018,000 in the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, from the $983,000 reported from the same period in 1989.

The company's second quarter 1990 net loss of $1,009,000, equal to 2 cents per share, was comparable to second quarter 1989 loss of $1,102,000 or 2 cents per share. The net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990, of $1,992,000 remains less than the $2,321,000 loss for the same period in 1989.

The company's April 1990 acquisition of a 25 percent working interest in an oil gas field in Noble County, Okla., contributed $243,000 of revenues during the second quarter. Chairman David H. Eaton reported that ''revenues from this interest for the remainder of 1990 are anticipated to exceed $600,000 with successful results from the drilling of additional wells in the field.''

He further stated that, ''The current oil prices will have a favorable impact on future oil and gas revenues.''

The Sports Careers division first National Job Fair was held in May 1990. There were approximately 350 participants who attended this function. According to Mark Tudi, president of Sports Careers, ''This turnout for our first Job Fair provides real encouragement for the future of Sports Careers.''

The company is aggressively seeking to bolster future real estate revenues by increasing fees generated from asset management, property management and consulting work.

Stratford American Corp. holds working interests in oil and gas properties and in various commercial and industrial real estate primarily in Arizona.

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GOLDEN, Colo. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Horizon Gold Shares Inc. (NASDAQ:HRIZ), Thursday announced sales of precious metals of $1,638,987 and a net loss of $706,766, or 3 cents per share, for the three months ended June 30, 1990.

Net loss included foreign exchange losses of $186,521, principally an unrealized foreign exchange loss related to Horizon's subordinated convertible debentures payable in Swiss francs and $125,272 of interest expense related to the debentures. The net loss also included noncash depreciation and depletion expenses of $552,162.

John E. Watson, chairman of the Golden-based precious metals producing company, indicated that the net loss is the result of Horizon winding up its current programs at Buffalo Valley Mine and Tuscarora Gold Mines, and beginning work on several larger scale projects with more significant long-range potential.

Horizon is currently involved in developing activities at its new Dixie Comstock Deposit, located in Churchill County, Nev., exploration activities at the Hope Butte property, located in Malheur County, Ore., an in preliminary studies at the Mt. Chase base and precious metals deposit, located in Penobscot, Maine.

Assuming that all permits can be obtained in a timely manner, Horizon expects gold production to commence at the Dixie Comstock property in early 1991.

Based on preliminary analysis, Horizon expects gold production of approximately 25,000 ounces per year at Dixie Comstock.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Vidmark Inc. (NASDAQ:VDMK) Thursday announced that year-end earnings increased 59 percent to $4.2 million, or $1.10 per share, on revenues of $37.2 million for the year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $2.7 million, or 70 cents per share, on revenues of $21.6 million for the year ended June 30, 1989.

Earnings for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $393,000, or 10 cents per share, on revenues of $7.7 million, compared with earnings of $883,000, or 23 cents per share, on revenues of $7.2 million for the same period in 1989.

''We are pleased that for our first reporting period as a public company we are able to show such excellent results. For the year ended June 30, 1990, earnings increased by 59 percent, revenues were up 72 percent and earnings per share climbed 57 percent,'' said Mark Amin, chairman of the board.

Roger A. Burlage, president and chief executive officer, said: ''In this business, one quarter's results may vary compared to the previous year. Our goal is to ensure long-term profitability. Due to an unusually high number of major motion pictures released on video cassette by our competitors, our fourth-quarter earnings fell below the comparable quarter in fiscal 1989.''

Burlage said the company's prospects for continued success in fiscal 1991 are good because there is reduced competition from other independent distributors.

Vidmark became a public company on June 29, 1990, through an initial public offering of 1.5 million shares of common stock.

The company is an international distributor of motion pictures, primarily engaged in the distribution of feature films for the domestic home video market and in the licensing of distribution rights to motion pictures for foreign markets.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - FarWest Financial Corp. (NYSE/PSE:FWF) announced Thursday that its net loss for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, will be $3.7 million, or 47 cents per share, as compared with net earnings of $10.8 million, or $1.38 per share, for the comparable period of 1989.

The loss reflects additional reserves of $16.9 million during the second quarter of 1990 for losses on loans and investments. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the net loss is $29.9 million, or $3.83 per share, as compared with earnings of $16.3 million and $2.09 per share for the comparable period of 1989.

As previously announced, FarWest Financial's principal subsidiary, FarWest Savings and Loan Association, failed to meet its regulatory capital requirements. FarWest Savings filed a Capital Plan with the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) in December 1989, which was amended in May 1990.

Acceptance of the Capital Plan depended in part on the liquidation of a wholly owned subsidiary into FarWest Savings. The San Francisco Regional Office of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) advised FarWest that, in its view, the liquidation could not be consummated.

FarWest believes that the position taken by the Regional Office of the FDIC is incorrect and it has formally presented the matter to the FDIC in Washington, D.C. Although the issue is pending resolution by the FDIC in Washington, the OTS rejected FarWest Savings' Capital Plan by letter received on Aug. 13, 1990, and imposed operating restrictions on FarWest Savings.

Such restrictions preclude, among other matters, the purchase or sale of assets and the creation of new loans or commitments without prior approval of the San Francisco office of OTS.

FarWest Savings is currently subject to a regular annual examination by the OTS, the FDIC and the California State Commissioner's Office.

While FarWest Savings believes that its assets and liabilities are properly valued, the regulatory authorities, in the exercise of their judgment, may require the establishment of additional reserves for loans, investments and other contingent liabilities. Such reserves, to the extent appropriate, would be reflected in results of operations for the third quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, FarWest's net interest margin exceeded its general and administrative expenses by $19.3 million. At June 30, 1990, total assets were $3.7 billion, approximately $605 million below the Dec. 31, 1989, total. FarWest continues to be profitable on an operating basis.

FarWest Savings' tangible net worth at June 30, 1990, was $37.7 million. Adjusting such tangible net worth for the capital deduction that would be required should the liquidation plan be finally denied would cause the tangible capital on a regulatory basis to be a negative $23.6 million, which could increase to as much as negative $75 million if certain accounting and tax issues are not favorably resolved.

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NEWTON, MA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Marcam Corp. today announced its initial public offering of 1,260,000 shares at $14.00 per share.

The stock is being traded over-the-counter on the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol MCAM. Managing underwriters for the offering are Hambrecht & Quist Inc. and Alex, Brown & Sons Inc.

Marcam is a leading supplier of applications software and services for process manufacturers. The company's PRISM family of products consists of 12 integrated modules which offer a comprehensive solution to customers' manufacturing, logistics and financial management needs. The company also provides product support, implementation consulting, education, and programming services to its customers.

Of the total 1,260,000 shares being offered, 900,000 are being sold by the company, and 360,000 are being sold by certain of the company's stockholders. The net proceeds of the offering will be used for general corporate purposes, including working capital and possible acquisitions.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state or jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state or jurisdiction.

Prospectuses can be obtained from Hambrecht & Quist Inc., One Bush St., San Francisco, Calif. 94104, (415) 576-3626 or Alex. Brown & Sons Inc., 135 East Baltimore St., Baltimore, Md. 21202, (301) 727-1700.

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ANTWERP, BELGIUM (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Shlomo Dovrat, President and Chief Executive Officer of Oshap Technologies Ltd. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbols: OSHSF, OSHWF; NASDAQ Symbol: OSHUF) Thursday announced results for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, net sales increased by 61.3% to BF 324,182,000 (US $9,473,000) from BF 200,951,000 (US $5,872,000) for the same period last year. The gross profit for the three months ended June 30, 1990 increased by 224%, representing 42.3% of sales, compared with 21.1% of sales for the same period a year ago. The Company reported an operating profit after financial expenses of BF 21,173,000 (US $619,000) as compared to a loss of BF 53,197,000 (US $1,555,000) for the three months ended June 30, 1989. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net sales increased by 33.8% to BF 648,108,000 (US $18,939,000) from BF 484,376,000 (US $14,155,000) for the same period last year. The gross profit for the six months ended June 30, 1990 increased by 76.4%,

representing 41.2% of sales, compared with 31.3% of sales for the same period a year ago.

The Company reported a net profit of BF 70,594,000 (US $2,063,000), or BF 12.41 (US $0.36) per share, as compared to BF 43,670,000 (US $1,276,000), or BF 8.04 (US $0.24) per share, in the first half of 1989.

Shlomo Dovrat, President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, ''The increase in net sales for the six months was primarily due to a 244% increase in sales of ROBCAD Workstations and increasing sales of Pegard products. These gains were partly offset by reduced sales of foundry automation products. The significant improvement in gross margins for the six month period is primarily due to the volume of high margin ROBCAD Workstation sales and the improved productivity of Pegard. These gains were partially offset by the increase in R&D costs and SG&A expenses, principally associated with the expansion of our ROBCAD Workstation business segment. The increase in the net financial income is attributable to the improvement in the Company's cash position.''

Oshap Technologies Ltd. provides advanced computer aided engineering workstations, flexible machining systems and standard automation products to major worldwide industrial concerns. Oshap is also a manufacturer of hyperthermia and medical imaging equipment.

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ANAHEIM, CALIF. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Kaempen U.S.A. Inc., a Wyoming corporation currently trading on the Over the Counter market via the pink sheets, Thursday announced the signing of an exclusive licensing agreement with Kaempen Asia Ltd. of San Francisco.

Kaempen Asia Ltd., formed by a multinational consortium of Asian industrialists, will direct all Pacific Rim operations of this manufacturer of high-strength composite pipe, tanks and structures.

Thomas Chin, managing director of Kaempen Asia Ltd., said: ''Our revolutionary industrial products address a multi-billion-dollar market worldwide. It is our firm belief that an accelerated marketing program in Asia will net a multinational manufacturing base capable of producing revenues in the $100 million range within three to five years.''

Steven Crane, president of Kaempen U.S.A., was enthusiastic over his company's newest venture. ''The incredible growth pattern Kaempen U.S.A. has exhibited will be greatly accelerated by the establishment of Pacific Rim operations,'' he said.

''Initial purchase orders received from the region can be supplied by our Southern California operation, and plans have been made to begin factory equipment shipment within nine to 12 months.''

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COSTA MESA, CA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - PDA Engineering (NASDAQ:PDAS) Thursday reported record revenues, net earnings and earnings per share for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

PDA ENGINEERING AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Earnings
(000s omitted)

	Three months ended June 30,		Twelve months ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
REVENUES:				
Software products	$ 6,994	$ 5,087	$ 23,694	$ 19,194
Engineering services	1,878	2,221	7,682	8,092
Total	8,872	7,308	31,376	27,286
COSTS AND EXPENSES:				
Cost of revenues Software products	2,208	1,623	7,773	6,578
Cost of revenues Engineering services	1,396	1,959	5,876	6,932
Research and development	663	257	2,168	1,136
Selling, general and administrative	3,774	2,927	12,776	10,726
Total costs and expenses	8,041	6,766	28,593	25,372
Operating income	831	542	2,783	1,914
Non-operating income	128	13	605	589
Income before income taxes	959	555	3,388	2,503
Provision for income taxes	(254)	(176)	(1,226)	(920)
NET EARNINGS	$ 705	$ 379	$ 2,162	$ 1,583
NET EARNINGS PER SHARE	16 cents	10 cents	50 cents	39 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,509	4,160	4,344	4,082
Engineering services backlog	3,940	4,781		

PDA Engineering, based in Costa Mesa, specializes in analysis software, engineering services, materials engineering and training for mechanical engineers engaged in product design, analysis and manufacturing.

PDA's leading MCAE software products, sold under the PATRAN brand name, provide specialty analysis capabilities for aerospace, automotive, commercial and government markets. The company distributes its products through sales offices in 10 U.S. cities, five company-owned subsidiaries in Europe and independent distributors elsewhere.

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Dayna Communications Inc. Thursday announced shipment of its DaynaPORT Ethernet cards for Macintosh computers.

The cards are available immediately worldwide, at a suggested U.S. retail price of $499.

Two models of DaynaPORT cards are currently available for Macintosh II and SE/30 series computers. The DaynaPORT E/II is a NuBus card for all Macintosh II models and the DaynaPORT E/30 supports the Macintosh SE/30 bus topology. The cards provide both a BNC connector for thin Ethernet and an AUI port for external transceiver connections to thick Ethernet, twisted pair wiring and fiber optic cables.

Based on Novell Inc.'s EtherPort technology, the DaynaPORT cards allow Macintosh users to share company-wide network services over Ethernet cable systems. DaynaPORT cards support a variety of protocols in addition to EtherTalk, including TCP/IP, Decnet and OSI. Dayna also provides drivers for A/UX 2.0 with the cards. Future enhancements will include support for System 7 and 10BASE-T.

Dayna Communications Inc. is a privately held company that designs and manufactures a range of products to meet the connectivity and productivity needs of personal computer users.

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COSTA MESA, CA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Emulex Corp. (OTC:EMLX), a

leading supplier of system and network-enhancement products for the computer industry, announced Thursday that earnings for its fourth quarter ended July 1, 1990, were $1 million, or 10 cents per share, which compared with $2.2 million, or 20 cents per share, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

The earnings were based on net sales of $32.5 million, compared with $36.9 million in the previous year.

Fred B. Cox, Emulex's chairman and chief executive officer, said the fourth-quarter revenues were in line with analysts' expectations and that earnings were higher than anticipated, primarily because of higher gross profit margins.

He said: ''In the fourth quarter we continued the sequential improvement in revenues begun in the third quarter, ending the year with a quarterly profit, and we achieved higher gross margins as a percentage of revenues than in any of the last four quarters.

''In addition, our bookings during the fourth quarter also improved, and as a result we are entering fiscal 1991 with a stronger backlog position.''

For the fiscal year Emulex reported a net loss of $1 million and a per-share loss of 10 cents based on net sales of $120.5 million. In fiscal 1989, which was a record year for Emulex, net income was $13.3 million and $1.15 per share on net sales of $148.7 million.

Discussing the year, Cox said: ''While our financial performance was disappointing, we made a number of important strategic moves and investments during the year to position the company better for the future. During our third quarter we wrote off selected fixed assets and strengthened our reserves, which contributed to the net loss for that quarter. We returned to profitability in the fourth quarter.''

Cox said he looks for the company's results to improve for fiscal 1991 and characterized the coming year as a transitional one. He explained: ''Our company and our industry are in a continued state of transition. The computer business has not been considered 'robust' for some time now, and many analysts believe it is already in a mild recession. However, some parts of the industry are in a growth mode.

''Emulex is improving its position in the growth segments of networking and storage based on our commitment to support open systems and multivendor computer environments, a direction that is positive for our future, for fiscal 1991 and beyond.

''In 1990 we introduced a number of new products related to this strategy in all our business areas, and we will continue to put a high level of

resources into engineering and development in the coming year. Our financial position continues to be a major strength for the company.''

Emulex Corp. designs, manufactures and markets high-performance computer-enhancement products in the areas of system/network connectivity and storage control. Emulex addresses the DEC and IBM PC marketplaces, as well as markets for industry-standard protocols such as SCSI, TCP/IP and X.25. The company sells worldwide to end-users, OEMs, distributors, systems integrators and value-added resellers.

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BLUE BELL, PA. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Bioscience Inc. (ASE:UBS) Thursday reported revenues of $1,036,257 and a net loss of $833,053, or 5 cents per share, for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The 1990 results compare to revenues of $41,136 and a net loss of $1,509,494, or 15 cents per share, for the like period of the prior year.

For the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $1,292,564 and the net loss was $2,513,694, or 16 cents per share, compared to revenues of $82,442, and a net loss of $2,706,348, or 27 cents per share, for the like period of 1989.

According to Philip S. Schein, M.D., chairman, president and chief executive officer, the decrease in the net loss was brought about by increased investment income, which was a result of the company's private placement in September 1989 and public offering in February 1990.

The company realized net proceeds of approximately $14 million and $33 million, in the private placement and public offering, respectively. In addition, the decrease in the net loss reflected decreased interest expense which resulted from the use of approximately 10 percent of the proceeds from the public offering to reduce long-term debt.

Schein said that the loss per share was further reduced by the dilution resulting principally from the issuance of new shares in the private placement and the public offering. Operating expenses were consistent with management's expectations and reflect the company's expanded drug research and product development programs.

U.S. Bioscience is a development-stage pharmaceutical company focused on drugs and therapies to increase the survival rate and productivity of cancer patients.

The company has seven drugs in development, including two in Phase III clinical trials, the final stage of development, and has submitted its first new drug application (NDA) to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Champion International Corporation Thursday declared regular quarterly dividends on the company's common stock and $92.50 cumulative convertible preference stock.

A quarterly dividend of 27 1/2 cents per share on Champion's common stock will be paid on October 10, 1990 to holders of record on September 17, 1990.

A quarterly dividend of $23.125 per share on Champion's $92.50 cumulative convertible preference stock will be paid on September 28, 1990 to holders of record on September 17, 1990.

Champion is one of America's leading manufacturers of paper for business communications, commercial printing, publications and newspapers. Headquartered in Stamford, the company owns or controls 6.4 million acres of timberlands in the United States and is also a major manufacturer of plywood and lumber.

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ROSELAND, NJ (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Automatic Data Processing, Inc. achieved record revenues and earnings in its fourth fiscal quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, Josh S. Weston, chairman and chief executive officer, announced Thursday.

This represented ADP's 116th consecutive quarter of double-digit earnings per share growth since becoming a public company in 1961.

In the fourth quarter, revenues increased 2 percent to $425,827,000. Net earnings, aided by a lower effective tax rate, advanced 13 percent to $59,670,000. Earnings per share, on increased shares, increased 11 percent to $.81 from $.73 last year. As announced last quarter,

fourth-quarter earnings per share were reduced by about two percentage points from a change in pricing and timing of billings for laser printing and W-2 statements that had previously benefitted the third quarter.

For fiscal 1990, ADP's revenues increased 2 percent to $1,714,041,000. Net earnings advanced 13 percent to $211,710,000. Earnings per share increased 14 percent to $2.88 from $2.53 in fiscal 1989.

Commenting on the overall results, Weston said, ''ADP's four largest businesses account for approximately 90 percent of total revenues. Employer Services, about 55 percent of revenues, grew by almost 15 percent in fiscal 1990. Brokerage Services and Dealer Services grew at single-digit levels primarily because of industry weakness. Automotive Claims Services also grew at single-digit levels for the year although growth rates accelerated to a double-digit level in the latter half of the year.

ADP, with $1.7 billion in revenues and more than 200,000 clients, is the largest independent computing services firm in the United States.

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AMSTELVEEN, NETHERLANDS (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - KLM Royal Dutch Airlines Thursday reported financial results.

The consolidated statement of earnings for the three months ended June 30, 1990 is as follows: (in millions of NLG, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Pct.
	1990	1989	Change
Operating revenues			
Traffic revenue	1,387.5	1,363.5	+2
Other revenue	284.0	271.8	+4
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	1,671.5	1,635.3	+2
Operating expenses			
Salaries and social expenses	524.7	489.1	+7
Aircraft fuel	156.6	169.0	-7
Cost of materials and consumables	116.0	88.7	+31
Other operating expenses	705.6	633.9	+11
Depreciations	129.8	105.2	+23

	1,632.7	1,485.9	+10
Balance of operating revenues and expenses	+ 38.8	+149.4	
Financial gains and losses	- 20.0	- 16.0	
Result on sales of tangible fixed assets	+ 42.8	+ 16.8	
Share in results of holdings	- 23.5	- 2.1	
Operating results before taxes	+ 38.1	+ 148.1	
Taxes	- 10.3	- 43.0	
Operating results after taxes	+ 27.8	+ 105.1	
Extraordinary item	+ 13.6	+ 125.0	
Net income	+ 41.4	+ 230.1	
Net income per NLG 20 common share based on 52,818,442 common shares outstanding	+ 0.78	+ 4.36	

KLM, NLM CityHopper and NetherLines traffic and capacity available (in millions of ton miles)

First quarter 1990/91 net income amounted to NLG 41.4 million compared with NLG 230.1 million in the 1989/90 first quarter, NLG 111.4 million of this decline is due to a lower extraordinary item, NLG 13.6 million compared with NLG 125.0 million last year.

The operating results before taxes amount to NLG 27.8 million compared with NLG 105.1 million last year.

This decline was caused by various factors including: -- The negative effect of lower exchange rates for several important currencies, on balance: NLG 45.0 million -- Higher deprecations due to fleet removal: NLG 24.6 million -- A lower share in results of holdings: NLG 21.4 million

Further details of several items in the consolidated statement of earnings: -- Growth in capacity (8 percent) was higher than of traffic (6 percent). Load factor consequently declined by 1.2 points to 70.7 percent. -- Though traffic increased by 6 percent, traffic revenues are only up by 2 percent on last year's first quarter. -- This decline in average yield is solely caused by the currency exchange rate effect, especially in relation to the dollar and yen. -- The increase in depreciations is mainly due to the introduction of Boeing 747-400 aircraft to the fleet. -- Book profits on the sale of a Boeing 747-200 aircraft, have, among other, contributed to the item sales of tangible fixed assets. -- The decrease in the item share in results of holdings is, for the most part, due to the holdings in airlines.

During the report period, two Boeing 747-400 aircraft have joined the KLM fleet, both under capital lease financing. Perpetual subordinated loans

totalling 30 billion yen have been finalized, thus strengthening proforma equity by NLG 365 million.

As far as is currrently foreseeable, the results will remain under pressure from, for instance, the negative effects of currency exchange rates and congestion. Fuel prices and the consequences of the Middle East situation remain uncertain factors. Action has meanwhile been taken to further reduce the overall cost level. The pursuit of higher quality service levels will continue unabated.

This report is unaudited.

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PALO ALTO, CA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Company (NYSE:HWP) today reported an 8 percent increase in net revenue, a 7 percent increase in earnings from operations and a 5 percent decrease in net earnings for its 1990 third quarter, which ended July 31. Earnings per share were $.73 on 242 million shares of common stock outstanding, compared with $.79 on 236 million shares in the same period of the 1989 fiscal year. Total orders rose 9 percent during the quarter.

All comparisons reflect two months of Apollo results in the 1989 third quarter and three months during the same period of 1990. HP purchased Apollo Computer Inc. in May 1989.

Net revenue for the third quarter totaled $3.2 billion, compared with $3.0 billion in the corresponding 1989 quarter. Net revenue from U.S. sales and service was $1.5 billion, even with the $1.5 billion reported in the third quarter of fiscal year 1989. Net revenue from outside the U.S. amounted to $1.7 billion, a gain of 14 percent from $1.5 billion reported during the same period of the previous year.

HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS
(Unaudited)

(In millions except per share amounts)	Three months ended July 31 1990	1989	Percent increase (decrease)
Net revenue:			
Equipment	$2,488	$2,394	
Services	754	607	
Total	3,242	3,001	8

Costs and expenses:			
Cost of equipment sold and services	1,708	1,557	
Research and development	341	335	
Selling, general and administrative	917	851	
Total	2,966	2,743	8
Earnings from operations	276	258	
Interest income and other income (expense)	21	29	
Interest expense	43	42	
Earnings before taxes	254	245	4
Provision for taxes	76	58	
Net earnings	$ 178	$ 187	(5)
Net earnings per share	$ .73	$ .79	(8)
Shares outstanding	242	236	
Orders:			
United States	$1,504	$1,388	8
International	1,779	1,632	9
Total	$3,283	$3,020	9

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Westwood One Inc. Thursday reported that all of the company's radio network divisions showed significant increases in their target audiences, according to RADAR 41 (a).

RADAR, released twice yearly, is the measurement of network radio issued by Statistical Research Inc. of Westfield, N.J.

Based upon all broadcasts by network (except overnight), Westwood One's NBC Radio Network showed the largest gain in its target demographic of adults 25-54, with a 30.6 percent increase over RADAR 40. It was up 26.4 percent in the broad 12+ category.

The Mutual Broadcasting System showed a 9.2 percent increase in the adult 25-54 category and grew 4.2 percent in 12+.

When using daypart comparisons of Monday through Saturday, 6 a.m. to 7 p.m., Mutual and NBC were up 18.7 percent and 10.1 percent respectively in their target demographics.

The Source, Westwood One's youth network, continued to hold its number one

ranking in adults 18-34, up 5 percent from the previous RADAR report.

Westwood One's newest network entry, WONE (Westwood One News & Entertainment Radio Network), premiered handsomely, ranking in the top ten in all primary demographics.

William J. Battison, Westwood One's president and chief financial officer said, ''We're particularly pleased by the strong showing of all our networks in RADAR 41. The book will be used to provide ratings information for the balance of the year.

''The significant audience increases experienced by our networks will provide a strong base for our network reconfiguration announced earlier this week, which will be used in the pending up front season.''

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RALEIGH, NC (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Ron E. Doggett, chairman and chief executive officer of GoodMark Foods Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:GDMK), Thursday announced that revenues for the first quarter ending Aug. 26, 1990, are expected to reach approximately $36.0 million, up 4.0 percent over revenues of $34.6 million in the first quarter last year.

He indicated that net income for the first quarter is expected to be in the range of 10 cents to 12 cents per share, compared with 30 cents per share earned in the year-earlier period. Final results for the quarter will be reported during the second week of September.

Doggett said: ''Our business continued to increase gradually during the first quarter, but sales and earnings fell below budget. Our plans projected a 10 percent to 12 percent increase in revenues along with higher marketing expenses, so we expected earnings below those of the very strong first quarter last year. Our expenses are on plan and we have improved margins offsetting high meat costs. However, revenues have not yet reached forecast levels.

''We expect improved revenue performance and earnings comparisons during the final three quarters of fiscal 1991. New products have been introduced and several more are scheduled. We also have strong marketing programs planned over the balance of the year. We continue to expect both sales and net income for fiscal 1991 to improve over last year.''

GoodMark Foods is the nation's leading producer and marketer of meat snacks.

The company is also a regional producer of packaged meat products, cookies crackers, brownies and other snacks. Its principal brands include Slim Jim, Penrose, and Pemmican meat snacks; Jesse Jones packaged meats; A Whale Of A Snack cookies and crackers; Rachel's Brownies; and Andy Capp's snacks.

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MIAMI (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Marlon C. (Lonnie) Hayes has opened At Home Tire Sales, formerly Ruddy's Tire Service, and will serve as president and chief operating officer for the Miami-based company.

At Home Tire Sales provides on-site delivery, mounting, and balancing of name brand tires for passenger cars and light trucks at either the customer's residence or office.

Hayes, 53, is widely recognized as an authority in the retail tire industry, having amassed over 30 years of practical experience as owner and operator of Ruddy's Tire Service, Ruddy's Pure Oil Service Station and as special tire and automotive consultant for Metropolitan Dade County. He has also authored a tire training and safety manual and has served as an expert legal witness for automotive-related liability cases.

As president and chief operating officer of At Home Tire Sales, Hayes will be responsible for the overall operations of the newly-formed company, including hiring and training of personnel, supervision of vehicles, sales and marketing and other related management duties.

A native of Miami and Coral Gables resident, Hayes is a past president of the Coral Gables Youth Center and has served on its board of directors. He is also a deacon of the University Baptist Church in Coral Gables. At Home Tire Sales is located at 4201 Northwest 37th Avenue.

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PARAMUS, NJ (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - TSS Ltd. (NASDAQ:TSSL) Thursday announced the appointment of Stephen A. Collins as president and chief operating officer.

He replaces Stephen D. Tannen, who resigned as president, chief executive officer and a director of the company. Tannen has been retained as a

consultant.

In making the announcement, Robert K. Stern, chairman, stated, ''Steve Collins brings to TSS Ltd. more than 14 years of experience in the couponing industy. He is a specialist in developing innovative marketing and merchandising programs and services for a broad range of consumer product retailers.''

TSS Ltd. owns and operates its patented The Savings Spot electronic coupon dispensing terminals which have been installed or contracted for in 370 supermarkets in Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Florida and Alabama.

Participating supermarket chains include Kroger, Big Star (Grand Union), Cub Foods, BI-LO and Florida Supermarkets Inc. (Pantry Pride).

TSS Ltd. is a publicly traded company. Its common shares, warrants and units are listed on NASDAQ under the symbols TSSL, TSSLW, and TSSLU, respectively.

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POMPANO BEACH, FLA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - ROCK-A-BYE BABY Inc. has been selected by the Juvenile Products Manufacturer's Association (JPMA) to participate in its 1990 trade show to be held in Dallas in October.

The trade show, held at the Dallas Apparel Mart from Oct. 4-7, is the industry's premier event for spotlighting new products and firms. More than 250 exhibitors will be featured and about 3000 of the industry's leading retailers and distributors will be represented.

Andrew Horn, president and chief executive officer of ROCK-A-BYE BABY Inc. said his firm will use the show to introduce several significant product innovations and improvements to its existing line of proprietary infant care products. ''Participation in the show creates substantial business for the company,'' Horn said.

''Last year, the show was responsible for the successful introduction of our new ROCK-A-BYE BEAR, and sales exceeded our greatest expectations. This year we expect even more industry exposure due to our expanded product line and the fact that we've been selected to occupy one of the

permanent show rooms situated on the same floor as many of the world's leading manufacturers.''

''Although it is the largest show of its kind in the United States, there are always more applicants than exhibit spaces,'' explained Horn.

''Participants are selected based on the quality of their product line and sales potential. Last year, ROCK-A-BYE BABY Inc. was selected ahead of 40 other firms for the right to exhibit and the fact that we were selected again this year says a lot about the quality and demand for our products.''

ROCK-A-BYE BABY Inc., a manufacturer and marketer of infant care products, is a publically traded company based in Pompano Beach, Fla. The company's products are sold through more than 700 retail and mail order houses nationwide. Shares are traded over the counter.

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KOKOMO, IN (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Delco Electronics Corp. is negotiating with Motorola and Texas Instruments (TI) to produce and market worldwide its new integrated circuit (IC) technology that links microprocessors and serial data buses.

Both Motorola and TI would produce Data Link Controller (DLC) ICs, and derivatives of the DLC, for a variety of customer uses.

DLC devices act as an interface and line driver between a microprocessor and an SAE J1850 serial data bus. Delco Electronics designed two versions of the DLC. Both conform to the single-wire version of the J1850 serial data bus and contain the protocol handling logic, transmission line driver and receiver circuitry.

''This IC technology promotes the SAE J1850 standard for serial data communication,'' said Walter R. McIndoo, director, IC Delco, a business unit of Delco Electronics. ''Additionally, commercial sources for the DLC design enhance General Motor's goal of standardization of on-vehicle serial buses within the automotive industry,'' McIndoo added.

As the electronics content-per-vehicle increases, the need for greater flexibility and ease of communication among the electronics systems and components increases. The SAE J1850 calls for standardization of a communication bus among electronics systems. A communication bus is the link among the electronic systems.

One version of the IC would provide for direct interface with the parallel microprocessor bus of the Motorola 68HC11 and 68332 families. The second DLC version would provide a direct interface with the Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI) found on Motorola's 68HC11, 68332 and Texas Instruments TMS 370 families.

The DLC is capable of operating in temperatures ranging from minus 40 C to 125 C. The IC is built with a high voltage Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor (CMOS) process.

Delco Electronics sought out Motorola and TI as commercial sources for the DLC to promote establishment of GM's version of the SAE J1850 data communications bus as a standard worldwide. Delco Electronics has no plans to sell the DLC commercially, but will manufacture the DLC for internal use.

Delco Electronics is a subsidiary of GM Hughes Electronics.

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NEW HYDE PARK, N.Y. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Bamberger Polymers Inc. (ASE:BPI) Thursday reported results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the second quarter totalled $43,998,000 as compared to $48,466,000 for the corresponding period last year. There was a net loss of $517,000, or 17 cents per share vs. a loss of $198,000 or 6 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

In the first half of 1990, revenues were $88,577,000 vs. $97,508,000 for the first half of 1989. There was a net loss of $210,000, or 7 cents per share as compared to a loss of $851,000, or 25 cents per share for the similar period in 1989.

Results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990 were adversely affected by net after tax costs of $112,000 and $200,000 respectively, relating to the development and introduction of new products as well as $83,000 of one-time after tax expenses relating to the distribution of Interpak Holdings Inc. by Bamberger Polymers.

Management also believes that the results of the second quarter were significantly adversely effected by the action of certain sales executives who acted in concert to interfere with the company's business activities. The company has instituted legal action against this group

for these alleged wrong-doings.

Bamberger Polymers is an international plastics merchant involved in compounding, distribution and sales of thermoplastic resins, the raw materials for a broad range of plastic products.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Parker Hannifin Corp. (NYSE:PH) today announced that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase, from time to time, of up to three million shares of its common stock in the open market, at prevailing prices.

President and Chief Executive Officer Paul G. Schloemer said, ''Management believes that Parker shares represent a sound investment for the company at current prices.''

The repurchase will be funded from operating cash flow and the shares initially will be held as treasury stock.

Parker has approximately 48.9 million shares of common stock outstanding. Yesterday's closing price for Parker common stock was $24.75 per share.

Parker is a leading producer of motion-control components and systems for a wide range of industrial and aerospace markets. Sales from continuing operations in fiscal 1990, ended June 30 were $2.45 billion, with net income of $110.4 million.

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NASHVILLE, TN (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Dollar General Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DOLR) Thursday reported slightly lower earnings for the second quarter.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Cal Turner Jr., said sales for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, totaled $153.0 million compared with $147.6 million in 1989, an increase of 3.7 percent. Net income for the quarter was $2.55 million, or 14 cents per share compared with $2.76 million, or 15 cents per share in 1989, a 7.5 percent decrease. Same store sales for the quarter decreased 1.2 percent.

For the six months ended July 31, 1990, sales were $286.8 million, an increase of 3.3 percent over sales of $277.5 million in 1989. Net income for the first half of 1990 was $2.94 million or 16 cents per share compared with $2.34 million or 13 cents per share in 1989, an increase of 25.8 percent.

''While we are disappointed with the results for the quarter, we are pleased with the sales momentum during the last four weeks of the quarter '' Turner said. ''We believe that our transition to a better in-stock position and efficient use of our newly automated distribution system is substantially complete. We anticipate a strong third quarter for both sales gains and income improvement.''

Dollar General is a chain of 1,408 neighborhood stores operating in 23 states with distribution centers in Georgia and Kentucky. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market.

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ZURICH, SWITZERLAND (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Philip Morris Companies Inc. announced Thursday the closing of its acquisition of Colima Holding AG from Mr. Klaus Jacobs.

As a result, Philip Morris now has 62% voting control of Jacobs Suchard AG.

At the same time, the Jacobs Suchard Board of Directors announced the appointments of Mr. Raymond G. Viault as Chief Executive Officer and Mr. Luc E. Vandevelde as Chief Administrative Officer of the company.

Previously, Mr. Viault was President, Maxwell House Coffee Company and Vice President of General Foods USA. Mr. Vandevelde was formerly Vice President, Finance and Development, Kraft General Foods International. Mr. Viault replaces Mr. Klaus Jacobs who resigned from his position as Chief Executive Officer of Jacobs Suchard, while remaining as Chairman of the Board of Directors.

''Jacobs Suchard will continue to pursue its goal to become the leading coffee and confectionery company in the world. We will begin a program to integrate certain Kraft General Foods' coffee and confectionery businesses into Jacobs Suchard,'' stated Mr. Viault.

Mr. Vandevelde added, ''We are committed to the long-term development of Jacobs Suchard. It is our intention to invest a large portion of the company's profits in its future growth.''

As announced on June 22, 1990, Philip Morris is currently making a tender offer through Colima for all of the publicly traded shares of Jacobs Suchard, the terms of which are as follows: For each bearer share of SF 8,500. -- in cash SF 500 par value For each registered share SF 1,660. -- in cash SF 100 par value For each bearer participation SF 758.-- in cash certificate of SF 50 par value For each ''A'' warrant SF 15.30 in cash For each ''B'' warrant SF 70.50 in cash

Those securities which are tendered prior to noon on September 3, 1990 will be paid on September 12, 1990. Securities tendered during the ten day grace period will be paid on September 26, 1990.

As previously stated, Philip Morris has no plans to alter either the price or the timing or any other elements of its tender offer.

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PALO ALTO, CA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Company today announced that Jacques A. Clay, currently general manager of the Grenoble (France) Personal Computer Division, has been appointed general manager of the Personal Computer Group (PCG), and that the group's headquarters will relocate from Sunnyvale, Calif., to Grenoble.

The announcement reflects the growing importance of international markets for PCs and terminals, said Lewis E. Platt, HP executive vice president and head of the company's Computer Products Sector. ''Currently,

international markets represent more than half of HP's sales of PCs and terminals and have great potential for expansion. As such, it is quite opportune to have an international PCG headquarters.''

While Grenoble becomes the new group headquarters, PCG will retain its four regional headquarters and their present management: Europe, which Clay will continue to head; North America, Michel A. Naggiar, region manager; Asia-Pacific, Steve M. Cakebread, region manager, and Latin America, John Toppel, region manager.

Clay, 47, replaces Robert L. Puette, who left HP recently. Since joining HP in 1973, Clay has held management positions in HP's Grenoble and Sunnyvale locations. After holding positions as controller and operations manager for several Grenoble entities, he served two years as manufacturing manager of the Grenoble PC Division. In 1987, he transferred to California as general manager of the Sunnyvale Personal Computer Operation. In 1988, he returned to France as general manager of the Grenoble PC Division. Clay has a marketing degree from Ecole Superieur Commerce in Lyon, France, and a bachelor's degree in law from Grenoble University.

HP has two industrial sites in the Grenoble region, which produce personal computers, terminals and cardiology equipment. In addition, Grenoble distributes all HP PCs sold in Europe and conducts research and development for PCs. The Grenoble region, which opened in 1971, is located close to HP's European headquarters in Geneva. The company has approximately 4,000 employees in France. Hewlett-Packard Company is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

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GRAND FORKS, ND (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Telecom (NYSE:NT) and US WEST Communications announced Thursday the completion of the first successful market trial of the Caller ID Name Display service.

This new calling service allows customers, who have telephones equipped with a display screen, to see the name of the caller before answering the phone.

About 120 residential and small business customers participated in the

trial, which focused on the technical aspects of providing the service. This included testing the Northern Telecom software that makes the service possible.

The software, running on a Northern Telecom DMS-100 switching system which serves Grand Forks, stored and delivered the names of the callers to the customers. The names and numbers of the calling parties were matched using customer line information contained within the switch.

''This is the first customer trial of Caller ID Name Display in the country and it went off without a hitch,'' said Northern Telecom's Susan Briner, senior product manager for residential services. ''The software worked the first time and continued working without any problems.''

Grand Forks residents said they liked the new Caller ID service. ''Our preliminary research shows that customers were extremely pleased with being able to see the name of the person calling,'' said Terri Ford, CLASS project manager, US WEST. ''They felt it added a great deal of value to the Caller ID service.''

Caller ID Name Display is one of several CLASS services tested during the six-month trial. CLASS services are advanced calling services (Caller ID customer initiated call trace, automatic recall, and others) the telephone operating companies are introducing throughout the United States.

During the first phase -- January 4 thru March 4 -- customers received the number of the calling party using Northern Telecom's Maestro telephone, or Caller ID adjunct units. The Maestro is the first residential telephone with an integrated display panel that supports Caller ID services.

During the second phase of the trial -- May 15 thur July 15 -- customers used a Northern Telecom prototype Caller ID adjunct unit to receive both the name and number of the calling party. The Northern Telecom prototype adjunct unit allows a customer to see both the caller's name and number before answering the phone.

A second trial, involving Northern Telecom and US WEST, is slated to begin in January in Boise, Idaho, where 45,000 residents and business customers will have the opportunity to purchase the Caller ID Name Display service. The market trial will last about six months.

Northern Telecom's Caller ID Name Display software is slated to be generally available in December on Northern Telecom DMS-100 switching systems.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and

other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) today ruled on Ohio Edison's request to increase rates, granting an 8.5 percent increase over current company revenues, or an increase of $142,376,000.

Ohio Edison had requested an increase of approximately $216,000,000. The rates authorized today by the Commission include, for the first time, the costs of the Beaver Valley 2 nuclear plant.

In making rulings in rate cases, the Commission is required by law to authorize rates which are fair and reasonable to customers, while at the same time, allowing the company the opportunity to meet expenses, pay interest on debts, and provide a reasonable return to stockholders. The PUCO set an 11.20 percent rate of return in today's decision.

The typical Ohio Edison residential customer using 500 kwh per month, currently pays approximately $57.23 per month for electric service. With today's increase, it is estimated that the customer would pay approximately $62.38 per month.

The Commission determined that Ohio Edison has a 22.85 percent reserve margin, which is the amount of generating capacity above what is needed to meet customer peak demand. Although PUCO guidelines established in a 1987 opinion define a benchmark reserve margin of 20 percent, the Commission did not make any adjustment to the revenue requirement in this case because there is only a slight deviation from the 20 percent benchmark and because Ohio Edison's reserve margin is expected to drop below 20 percent after 1991.

The Commission approved the establishment of a seasonal rate structure. The summer billing months will be June through September and winter billing months will be October through May, with a slightly higher rate during the summer billing period. The Commission noted that although seasonal rates are new to Ohio Edison, they are in effect at six other major Ohio electric utility companies.

The PUCO rejected nearly $2,938,750 in advertising costs, including the costs of advertisements featuring Cleveland Browns' quarterback Bernie Kosar, as well as costs for employee memberships and club expenses, agreeing with the Office Of Consumers' Counsel that ratepayers should not bear these costs.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - SCOR U.S. Corp. (NYSE:SUR) announced Thursday that its stock repurchase program, which was initiated in December 1988 to buyback SCOR U.S. common stock in the open market, has been expanded by an additional $1 million.

This increase will allow SCOR U.S. to repurchase approximately $2 million in common stock, as market conditions permit.

In the past, Societe Commerciale de Reassurance (''SCOR Paris''), the immediate parent of SCOR U.S., has participated in the SCOR U.S. program by matching, on a one-for-one basis, the amount of common stock bought back by SCOR U.S. From December 1988 through April 1989, SCOR Paris and SCOR U.S. each repurchased shares totaling $1.44 million.

Today's announcement, however, modifies the former 50 % - 50% buy-back program by allowing SCOR U.S. to repurchase stock without its parent's participation.

Patrick Peugeot, chairman and chief executive officer of SCOR U.S., stated that ''SCOR Paris encourages this change, however, we still maintain our long-term goal of reducing SCOR Paris' 79 percent ownership of SCOR U.S.''

Peugeot also announced that, ''Due to current stock market conditions, SCOR U.S. and SCOR S.A. do not intend to proceed with their previously announced plans for a public offering of SCOR U.S. shares in the foreseeable future.''

SCOR U.S. Corp. is the holding company of Scor Reinsurance Co. and The Unity Group. Scor Re specializes in underwriting treaties covering commercial and technical risks, and is a recognized leader in the provision of facultative property, casualty and special risk covers.

The Unity Group primarily underwrites property business on a treaty basis. Scor Re and The Unity Group are both headquartered in New York City. In addition, Scor Re operates branch offices in Chicago, Dallas, Hartford and New York City.

All of SCOR U.S.' reinsurance subsidiaries are rated ''A'' (Excellent) by A.M. Best.

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NASHUA, NH (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Lockheed Sanders has delivered the 1000th production unit of the AN/ALG-126B onboard countermeasure system that protects military aircraft against radar guided missiles.

Delivery of the 1000th unit to the Navy on Aug. 12, 1990 marks a significant milestone for Sanders manufacturing. Charles A. Maxwell, vice president for Operations, noted that since the start of ALQ-126B production in 1983, the manufacturing cycle time for an individual unit has dramatically been reduced from 33 weeks to 16 weeks. System test time has also been reduced from 16 to two weeks. Despite inflationary impact on labor material, Sanders system unit cost have remained constant.

The ALQ-126B, a major element in the U.S. Navy improved electronic warfare suite, provides protection for U.S. Navy fighter and attack aircraft as well as the armed forces of a number of allied and friendly nations. Norman A. Whitaker, director of ALQ-126B production programs at Sanders, said the 1000th delivery milestone underscores the company's capabilities to produce highly complex, extremely sophisticated electronic systems - in volume and on schedule.

Whitaker said that reports from the Fleet indicate that the ALQ-126B is one of the best deployed EW systems. ''The field reliability performance has exceeded the design specifications,'' he added.

The ALQ-126B demonstrates Sanders ability to package increased performance in limited space, Whitaker said. ''It uses distributed microprocessors, solid-state amplifiers, microwave integrated circuits, a digital instantaneous frequency measurement receiver, liquid filled power supplies 16 layer motherboard and advances in digital circuitry and large scale integration to provide significantly enhanced performance over previousy built ECM systems.

The technology is modern and meets or exceeds design parameters while maintaining its traditional 2.3 cubic feet of space in the aircraft.

''Today we are developing Gallium Arsenide (GaAs) microcircuits that will enable us to advance system performance within existing volume and weight constraints. Because GaAs chips typically require fewer components to

implement a particular function than do silicon devices, they will not only provide added space for future upgrades, but further enhance overall system reliability as well,'' Whitaker said.

The ALQ-126B systems provide protection for A-4, A-6, A-7, F-4, F-14 and the F/A-18 aircraft. Sanders also produces ALQ-164 pod versions for installation on AV-8 Harrier aircraft.

Lockheed Sanders is a world leader in the production of onboard electronic countermeasure systems.

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BOSTON (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Boston Bancorp (NASDAQ:SBOS), the holding company for South Boston Savings Bank, Thursday reported net income of $3,418,000, or $0.49 per share, for the third quarter of the fiscal year, ended July 31, 1990.

For the same period of fiscal 1989, the Company earned $3,566,000, or $0.46 per share. Per share amounts for the latest quarter were based on 6,899,320 weighted average shares outstanding, compared with 7,743,770 in the year-ago quarter.

For the nine months ended July 31, 1990, the Boston Bancorp earned $10,655,000, or $1.52 per share, compared with $11,446,000, or $1.47 per share, in the first nine months of the prior fiscal year.

The results for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 represented an annualized return on average equity of 14.08% and a return on average assets of .91%. Total assets at July 31, 1990 were $1.6 billion. Stockholders' equity was $97,333,000 at the end of fiscal 1990 third quarter, or $14.27 per share.

Net interest income before provision for loan losses was $8,078,000 for the third quarter of fiscal 1990, compared with $8,326,000 for the same quarter of fiscal 1989. The interest rate spread was 1.84% for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, compared with 1.90% in the same period last year. Net interest income was $24,913,000 for the first nine months of this fiscal year, compared with $26,969,000 in the fiscal 1989 period.

Other real estate, which is comprised of mortgages in foreclosure and possession increased to $19,304,000 at July 31, 1990 from $13,648,000 at October 31, 1989. Loans delinquent and in possession and foreclosure were 1.31% of total assets at July 31, 1990 compared to 1.01% at October 31, 1989. Management believes there is adequate value in these properties,

and will continue to closely monitor this situation in light of present economic conditions.

Total other income was $2,064,000 for the fiscal 1990 third quarter, increasing from $1,330,000 in the three months ended July 31, 1989. The difference was due to increases in net gains on sales of securities and loan fees and service charges. Other income rose to $5,636,000 for the first nine months of this year from $3,037,000 in the fiscal 1989 first nine months.

The Boston Bancorp is the holding company for South Boston Savings Bank, a state-chartered stock savings bank headquartered in South Boston, Massachusetts. South Boston also has full-service offices in Dorchester, Quincy, Weymouth and, as a result of the Eliot Savings purchase, in Needham and West Roxbury, Massachusetts. The Boston Bancorp's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''SBOS''.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Mischer Corp. (NASDAQ:MSHR) Thursday reported income of $108,000, or 3 cents per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to a loss of $2,332,000, or 78 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

The company reported net income of $1,611,000, or 51 cents per share, and net loss of $4,937,000, or $1.94 per share, for the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively. Revenues from continuing operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990 were $3,345,000 as compared to $6,509,000 for the same period in 1989.

The decrease in revenues is a result of a reduction in the number of lots and acres sold in the first two quarters of 1990 plus revenues for 1989 include the sale of a warehouse in Harahan, Louisiana.

Net losses from continuing operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 were $40,452,000, or $12.69 per share, and $4,474,000, or $1.76 per share, respectively. The loss from continuing operations for the first six months of 1990 included a $37,022,000, or $11.62 per share, writedown during the first quarter on assets conveyed to its major bank creditors.

In addition, The Mischer Corp. recognized a $40,899,000, or $12.84 per share, extraordinary gain on the debt settlement, net of federal income taxes in the first quarter of 1990.

The company is engaged in real estate development and management primarily in the Houston area.

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SKOKIE, IL (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Bell & Howell announced Thursday the reorganization of its Mailhandling businesses and named Rob T. Stirling to the newly created position as President Worldwide Mailhandling.

Stirling, a Bell & Howell Corporate Vice President had previously been Managing Director European Mailhandling. He now has the global responsibilities for all of Bell & Howell's mail inserting and mail sorting businesses including Phillipsburg Company, headquartered in Allentown, Pa.

William J. White, Bell & Howell Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, said the change was made to better serve our customers by utilizing all of our worldwide resources. He stated that certain functions would be perfomed as a global basis while other customer specific activities would be handled locally.

Bell & Howell is an information services company whose principal products include mailhandling, publishing and document management.

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RIVIERA BEACH, FL (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - James E. Davis, president and chief executive officer of Tele-Optics Inc. (NASDAQ:TOPTU) Thursday announced unaudited results for the second quarter ended June 30.

TELE-OPTICS INC.
FINANCIAL RESULTS

Three Month Period Ended June 30,	Six Month Period Ended June 30,

	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$1,265,939	$2,225,172	$3,096,713	$2,696,589
Earning/(Loss) Before Taxes	(149,870)	280,567	(52,809)	(446,114)
Taxes (Benefit)	(35,000)	101,605	-0-	(160,000)
Net Earnings/(Loss)	(114,870)	178,962	(52,809)	(286,114)
Net Earnings/(Loss) Per Share	(7 cents)	11 cents	(3 cents)	(17 cents)
Average Shares Outstanding	1,640,000	1,684,167	1,640,000	1,684,167
Shares Outstanding End of Quarter	1,640,000	1,640,000	1,640,000	1,640,000

	6/30/90	6/30/89
Total Assets	4,656,164	5,756,072
Total Liabilities	1,456,697	2,302,461
Stockholders' Equity	3,199,467	3,453,611
Stockholders' Equity Per Share	$1.95	$2.11

Davis stated that the decline in revenues and resulting loss for the three month period ended June 30 was attributable to a decrease in military sales which is a direct result of the slowdown in defense industry spending. Management believes it has made appropriate adjustments in manpower and expenses in line with anticipated sales levels in future quarters.

Efforts are underway to modify some of the company's products for sales to the non-military market. The company is also increasing its marketing efforts for the sale of its military products to foreign markets.

Tele-Optics Inc. has been awarded a $1.4 million contract by the U.S. Army for an optical device which is an important component of the M1 Tank.

Tele-Optics Inc. is engaged in the development, manufacture and marketing of optical, electronic and electro-optical products and systems for use in the medical and defense industries.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of AmSouth Bancorporation (NYSE:ASO) announced Thursday that John W. Woods, chairman and chief executive officer of AmSouth Bancorporation and AmSouth Bank

N.A., will assume the additional title and duties of president of AmSouth Bank N.A.

The position of president of AmSouth Bank N.A. was previously held by Dan L. Hendley, who resigned last week to pursue other business interests.

William A. Powell Jr., will continue to serve as president of AmSouth Bancorporation and vice chairman of AmSouth Bank N.A.

John W. Woods has served as chairman of the board and CEO of AmSouth Bancorporation since the corporation was organized in 1972. He has served as chairman and CEO of AmSouth Bank N.A. since 1983. Prior to joining AmSouth Bank N.A., then The First National Bank of Birmingham, as president in 1969, Woods was with Chemical Bank, New York City, for 13 years.

Woods graduated from the University of the South in Sewanee, Tenn., and served as a pilot in the U.S. Air Force.

AmSouth Bancorporation, with assets of approximately $8.5 billion, is the largest banking institution headquartered in the mid-South, an area consisting of Alabama, Northwest Florida, Tennessee and Mississippi.

AmSouth operates 155 banking offices throughout Alabama and 21 in Northwest Florida. In addition, AmSouth Mortgage Co. Inc. operates 15 offices throughout the Southeast.

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MONTGOMERY, AL (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Enstar Group Inc. (OTC NASDAQ Symbol:ENST) Thursday announced the election of Nimrod T. (''Rod'') Frazer to the company's board of directors.

Frazer will succeed Laurence D. Fink, who is resigning. Frazer is chairman and co-founder of The Frazer Lanier Co., a regional investment banking firm headquartered in Montgomery.

He has been active in the securities industry since 1956 and has been a securities industry spokesman before committees of the United States Congress.

He is a graduate of Huntingdon College (1954) and Harvard Business School (1956). Frazer is a recognized community leader.

Fink, who has been a board member of Enstar since July 1989, and American Savings & Loan Association of Florida (OTC NASDAQ Symbol:ASLA) since May 1988, recently informed the boards of both companies that the recent growth of his business commitments made the time required to adequately serve on both boards impossible.

After extensive discussions with management and Fink it was concluded that his financial market expertise would be most valuable to all shareholders if he devoted his time to American Savings.

As a result, Fink has resigned from the Enstar board of directors effective Aug. 16, and continues on the board of American Savings.

Richard Grassgreen, chairman of Enstar, said, ''We are very pleased to have Frazer on our board. Rod has been a shareholder of the company since it was founded in 1969. His business expertise and long association with our company will provide valuable assistance and advice to our management team.

''We are grateful to Mr. Fink for his significant contribution to Enstar and we are pleased that the company will be able to continue to benefit from his expertise through his directorate on the American Savings Board.''

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GAITHERSBURG, MD (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Genex Corporation (NASDAQ:GNEX) reported that for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, it had total revenues of $1.2 million and for the six months ended June 30, 1990 its total revenues were $2.3 million, compared to total revenues of $1.2 million and $2.3 million for the corresponding periods in 1989.

The net losses for the 1990 three and six-month periods were $1.6 million, or $.08 per share, and $3.0 million, or $.15 per share compared to $1.9 million, or $.10 per share and $3.7 million, or $.20 per share for the corresponding periods of 1989. The 1990 loss per share amounts are affected by a larger number of common shares currently outstanding.

The company reported that it had obtained loan commitments from several of its principal investors in the amount of $1.7 million, and that it expected to use the loan proceeds in order to meet ongoing working capital needs.

Genex Corporation utilizes its proprietary expertise in protein engineering to design and produce specialized pharmaceuticals, surgical

bioadhesives and other high-value healthcare products.

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WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Flagler Bank Corp. (NASDAQ:FLGLA), parent of Flagler National Bank announced Thursday the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend to both Class A and Class B stockholders.

Class A shareholders will receive a cash dividend of 7.7 cents per share and Class B shareholders will receive 7 cents per share. The dividends are payable on Oct. 1 to shareholders of record as of Sept. 4.

Commenting on the board's action, President Thomas E. Rossin stated, ''In July, we began a quarterly cash dividend program, after 12 consecutive years of paying an annual dividend. This action reflects the maturity and strength of our institution. These dividends are eligible for reinvestment under the Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan instituted on July 30.

Flagler National Bank is the largest independent bank in Palm Beach County with 15 banking centers throughout the County.

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RENO, NV (AUG. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Gexa Gold Corp. announced Thursday the results of an initial exploratory drill program on its 100 percent-controlled Maverick Springs project located in Elko County, Nev.

The company was encouraged by the following intercept:

Hole Number	Depth	Au Oz/Ton	Ag Oz/Ton
MS-05	785'-820'	0.023	2.57

Because of drilling conditions the hole was stopped at 820'. The subsequent assays showed that the bottom 10 feet averaged 0.041 oz/ton Au and 7.33 oz/ton Ag.

The Maverick Springs property is comprised of 125 unpatented claims and is located in an area that has limited published geological data. However, the property lies within a broadly favorable geological area, located approximately 50 miles southeast of Elko, Nev., along the projected strike of the Carlin trend.

The company's initial drilling was part of a general assessment program. The positioning of these widely spaced holes (four) was for the purpose of ascertaining the reasoning for the large increase in exploratory activity on claims adjacent to Gexa's, where three drill rigs have been active during the summer.

The company went on to say that while there is no reason to believe, at this time, that it has identified the correct reasons for this activity, the mineralization encountered will enable Gexa to develop a more significant exploration program.

Gexa Gold Corp. is a public corporation traded on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation system, ''NASDAQ,'' under the trading symbol of ''GEXA.'' The company's common stock is also listed on the Spokane Stock Exchange.

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NORRISTOWN, PA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - General Devices Inc. (NASDAQ:GDIC), an international engineering service company located in Norristown, announced Thursday the results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30.

Results are reported on a ''continuing operations'' basis that reflect the Apr. 25, sale of a major part of its engineering service business. For the quarter ended June 30, General Devices Inc., reported a profit of $612,168, or 16 cents per share on sales of $502,083 compared to a loss of $350,179 or (13 cents) per share on sales of $704,967 for last year's like quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, GDIC reported a profit of $141,882 or 4 cents per share on sales of $929,273 compared to a loss of $688,054 or (25 cents) per share on sales of $1,310,221 for the similar six months in 1989.

GENERAL DEVICES
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 502,083	$ 704,967	$ 929,273	$1,310,221
Loss from continuing operations before income taxes	$(156,439)	$(493,715)	$(402,258)	$(795,820)
Provision for income taxes	$ 14,000	$ 8,900	$ 20,000	$ 9,400
Loss from continuing operations	$(170,439)	$(502,614)	$(422,258)	$(805,270)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations net of income taxes	$ 21,396	$(118,362)	$(197,071)	$(153,582)
Gain on sale of discontinued operations	$ 259,675	$ 270,798	$ 259,675	$ 270,798
Gain on purchase of debentures	$ 501,536	-----	$ 501,536	-----
Net gain (loss)	$ 612,168	$(350,179)	$ 141,882	$(688,054
Net loss per share from continuing operations	($0.05)	($0.18)	($0.11)	($0.29)
Net profit (loss) per share	$0.16	($0.13)	$0.04	($0.25)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	3,710,623	2,797,231	3,710,623	2,759,026

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ALBANY, NY (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - According to a recent issue of American Banker, one of the financial industry's leading publications, KeyCorp out-performed most of the banking industry in shareholder value during the second quarter of 1990.

During that time period, the American Banker index of 225 publicly traded bank stocks fell 1.73 percent, and the Standard & Poor's 500 stock index rose 5.3 percent while KeyCorp shares appreciated in value by 14.6 percent for the quarter.

A more recent article in American Banker reported on a study conducted by Montgomery Securities Inc. in San Francisco. According to the study, only a select group of 10 of the nation's top 50 banks reported any appreciation in their stock prices over the past two years.

KeyCorp was one of the 10. Common factors among these industry leaders cited in the report included exceptionally strong credit cultures and the avoidance of major asset problems. It was also noted that banks such as

KeyCorp have been opportunistic in expanding their franchises or are operating in areas of the country with good regional economies.

In its 1990 annual survey of the 100 largest commercial banking companies in the United States, Fortune ranked KeyCorp as the 41st largest bank in the country, up from 44th last year. With respect to total return to investors, KeyCorp delivered a 39.5 percent return during 1989, making it the 14th highest in the nation. That return is higher than eight of the 10 largest banks on the Fortune list.

For the 10-year period 1979 through 1989, KeyCorp's total return to shareholders of 24.2 percent ranked 15th in the nation on the Fortune list. For the 10-year period, KeyCorp's return was better than nine of the 10 largest banks in the country.

''KeyCorp is one of the few banks reporting not only earnings improvements but a solid return to shareholders as well,'' noted Victor J. Riley Jr., chairman, president and chief executive officer.

''Bank stocks in general have been among some of the less popular investments and the concern about loan quality has resulted in lower prices for many bank stocks.

''We will probably be painted with the same brush as other banks and that is most unfortunate,'' continued Riley. ''Our loan portfolio is sound. In addition, regulatory authorities have recently completed a review of the loan portfolios at several of our Key Banks where the previous rating issued by regulators was either maintained or upgraded. In all cases, the authorities agreed with our internal assessment of credit quality and no increases in loan loss reserves were mandated.''

KeyCorp (NYSE:KEY) with assets of $16 billion, is a multi-regional bank holding company headquartered in Albany. It has focused its banking expansion activities in the Northeast and Northwest.

Pursuing a middle market target -- consumers and small- to medium-sized businesses -- KeyCorp has concentrated its resources in cities and smaller communities of the northern tier of states, thus avoiding overcrowded marketplaces and single industry loan exposure.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of MIP Properties Inc. (ASE:MIP) Thursday declared a quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share payable on October 1, 1990, to stockholders of record as of August 31, 1990.

MIP Properties is an equity-oriented real estate investment trust with a current real estate portfolio of $117 million. It is advised by Koll Realty Advisors, a wholly owned realty investment management subsidiary of The Koll Company.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Farm Credit System reported combined net income of $171 million for the second quarter of 1990, compared with net income of $180 million for the same period of the prior year.

Net income for the first six months of 1990 was $362 million, compared with $356 million for the first six months of 1989.

Net interest income increased $39 million to $295 million for the second quarter of 1990 and increased $120 million to $616 million for the six months ended June 30, 1990 as compared with net interest income of $256 million and $496 million for the same periods of the prior year. The increase in net interest income was attributable primarily to the retirement of higher-cost debt which matured over the past year.

Also contributing to this increase was the continued improvement in the credit quality of the loan portfolio, reflected principally by the overall reductions in nonaccrual loans of $193 million or 6.7 percent since the second quarter of 1989.

Gross loan volume increased $501 million to $51.208 billion at June 30, 1990 from $50.707 billion at Dec. 31, 1989. The net growth resulted from an increase in loans to cooperatives, and a seasonal increase in short- and intermediate-term loans offset partially by a decrease in long-term real estate loans.

Despite the overall improvement in the credit quality of the System's loan portfolios over the past several quarters, nonaccrual loans increased to $2.674 billion at June 30, 1990 from $2.553 billion at Dec. 31, 1989. The increase was attributable to two bank's adoption, in response to high-risk asset accounting guidelines recently issued by the Farm Credit

Administration, the System's regulator, of an approach to classification of high-risk assets that is more conservative than the approach previously utilized by those banks. This increase was partially offset by a net decline in nonaccrual loans at the remaining System Banks, whose managements believe that they are in substantial compliance with the FCA's recently-issued guidelines.

High-risk loans, excluding nonaccrual loans, and related accrued interest decreased to $4.139 billion at June 30, 1990 from $4.540 billion at Dec. 31, 1989. The System's non-earning assets, which consist of nonaccrual loans and other property owned, were $3.040 billion at June 30, 1990, compared with $3.021 billion at Dec. 31, 1989, representing 5.9 percent of the System's loans and other property owned at both dates.

The allowance for loan losses was $1.531 billion at June 30, 1990, compared to $1.578 billion at Dec. 31, 1989. The allowance was 22.5 percent of the System's total high-risk loans, including accrued interest, and 57.2 percent of its nonaccrual loans at June 30, 1990. This compared with 22.2 percent and 61.8 percent, respectively, at Dec. 31, 1989.

The Farm Credit System is a nationwide system of federally chartered agricultural lending institutions cooperatively owned by their borrowers.

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Daniel M. Bienz, 212/908-9422

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SEATTLE (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Signalling the beginning of a new era in home-entertainment options for American consumers, SkyPix Corp. Thursday announced that it will begin offering an 80-channel direct-to-home satellite (DBS) TV service in the first quarter of next year.

SkyPix is designed to provide consumers with a whole new way to watch TV, while offering viewers the world's first in-home video store. SkyPix viewers will be able to choose from 40 to 50 major Hollywood films at any time in a virtual on-demand programming schedule.

In addition to movies, SkyPix will offer an exciting selection of news, sports, major live events, music, original children's programming and a package of 10 superstations from across America.

The heart of the SkyPix system is a small, lightweight 22-inch to 36-inch antenna (size dependent on geographic location) and sleek remote-control receiver that will be sold through consumer electronics specialty chains and satellite retailers at a suggested retail price of $699.

All authorized SkyPix dealers will have trained installers available. Do-it-yourselfers, however, will find that installation of the SkyPix system is fast and easy; all appropriate cables and mounting hardware will be included in the package, along with a toll-free ''800'' number for on-the-spot assistance.

The other direct-to-home venture, K-Prime Partners, will launch without video compression. Only 3 of its 10 channels will carry pay-per-view movies; the rest is simply superstation programming.

SkyPix will be launched with an initial private capitalization of $200 million arranged by BT Securities, a subsidiary of Banker's Trust, PaineWebber and Seattle-based Cope Brothers Capital.

SkyPix Corporation is headquartered at 25670 74th Avenue South, Kent, Washington 98032 Tel. 206/854-7596.

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Peter Dobbin or Harvey Bolgla, 212/807-1400

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HAMILTON, OH (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - On Aug. 16, 1990, the directors of Ohio Casualty Corp. declared a regular quarterly dividend of 58 cents per share payable Sept. 10 to shareholders of record Sept. 1, 1990.

In other action, the directors authorized the additional purchase of as many as 1,500,000 shares of its common stock.

The stock will be purchased from time to time on the open market or through privately negotiated transactions and will be held as treasury shares for stock options or other general corporate purposes.

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C. David Mencer, 513/867-3897

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Daxor Corp. Thursday reports financial results as follows:

Daxor Corp.
Financial Highlights

Three Months Ended June 30,	Six Months Ended June 30,

	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$ 1,425,368	$ (630,818)	$ 2,950,864	$ 1,138,921
Net income (Loss) before income taxes	$ 725,262	$ (1,406,727)	$ 1,700,665	$ (314,497)
Provision for income taxes	141,355	-0-	209,833	-0-
Net income (Loss)	$ 583,907	$ (1,406,727)	$ 1,490,832	$ (314,497)
Per share	$ .11	$ (.27)	$ .28	$ (.10)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	5,268,763	5,309,650	5,274,643	5,309,650

The company had a net unrealized gain of $6,026,123 in its securities portfolio at June 30.

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Alvin M. Petersen, 212/935-1430

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HAMILTON, Ohio (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Following a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Ohio Casualty Corporation, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Joseph L. Marcum announced that William L. Woodall, President and Chief Operating Officer, will retire Dec. 31, 1990.

Woodall, 67, will continue to serve on the Board and will assume the title of Vice Chairman of the Board as of Jan. 1, 1991. Lauren N. Patch, currently Executive Vice President, will be named President as of Jan. 1, 1991. Patch, 39, joined Ohio Casualty in 1973 after graduating from the University of Kentucky. He served in various positions with the Company, including field representative in Philadelphia, and branch office manager in Pasadena, Calif. He was elected an officer in 1983 and became a member of the Board of Directors in 1987.

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GREENBELT, MD (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - COMNET Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: CNET) Thursday announced results for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The Company reported revenue of $5,682,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 (the first quarter of Fiscal 1991) compared with $5,466,000 for the same quarter the prior year. Net earnings were $462,000 for the latest quarter, up from the $361,000 reported for the same quarter last year.

Earnings per share were $0.16 vs. $0.14 last year, based on 2,864,680 shares this year and 2,656,694 shares last year. At the end of the first quarter, $1,250,000 of 8 percent subordinated debentures were exchanged at the request of individual holders, for 125,000 shares of COMNET Common (treasury) Stock.

The Company's largest subsidiary, Group 1 Software (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: GSOF; 83 percent owned by COMNET), reported record first quarter revenues and earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 1990. Revenue totalled $4,921,000 compared with $4,733,000 for the same quarter the prior year. Net earnings were $747,000 compared with $691,000 the prior year.

Group 1 launched the marketing program for its new AS/400 midrange computer software during the first quarter. This represented significant expense in advance of offsetting revenues, since the full midrange software line will be phased-in over coming months. Response to the initial marketing effort has been excellent and sales pipelines are building.

COM-MED Systems, another COMNET subsidiary (100 percent owned), signed software sales agreements with three new clients during the quarter, including an account operating a chain of assisted living centers.

The use of COM-MED Systems' state-of-the-art software in assisted living facilities offers potential for a sizeable market in addition to the nursing home market which the Company has been primarily addressing to date. The backlog of contracts signed by COM-MED Systems with software installations yet to be competed (and, therefore, without revenue recognized as yet) totalled $467,000 at June 30, 1990.

Revenue for the quarter for COMNET's AIM Division was below expectations. Business activity at AIM in the present fiscal quarter, however, is substantially stronger.

COMNET CORP.
Statement of Earnings
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30, 1990	1989
Revenue	$ 5,682	$ 5,466
Earnings before Provision for Income Taxes	838	721
Net Earnings	$ 462	$ 361
Earnings per Share of Common Stock:		
Primary	$ 0.16	$ 0.14
Fully Diluted	0.15	0.13

Weighted Average Number of Common and Common Equivalent Shares Outstanding:		
Primary	2,867	2,657
Fully Diluted	2,982	2,796

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#90228b0773 08/16/1990 ~Business Wire

CHARLOTTE, NC (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Thursday, the board of directors of Ruddick Corp. (ASE: RDK) in recognition of the anticipated favorable income results for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990 declared at its regular quarterly meeting an extra year-end dividend of 30 cents per common share in addition to the regular common quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share.

The total common dividend declared during the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 will be 70 cents as compared to a common dividend of 62 cents per share for fiscal 1989.

CONTACT: Ruddick Corp., Charlotte
James Stephens, 704/372-5404

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RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of James River Corp. (NYSE: JR) declared a quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of the Corporation.

The dividend is payable on Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 17, 1990.

The board also declared a quarterly dividend of $.84375 per share on James River's Series K $3.375 Cumulative Convertible Exchangeable Preferred Stock, payable on November 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 18, 1990.

In addition, the board declared a quarterly dividend of $3.50 per share ($.875 per depositary share) on James River's Series L $14.00 Cumulative Convertible Exchangeable Preferred Stock, payable on Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 17, 1990.

Each depositary share represents one-quarter of a share of Series L

Preferred Stock.

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  Jane Oppenhimer, 804/649-4284 (finance)

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BOSTON (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - USA Bancorp Inc., (NASDAQ:USAB), the holding company for Olympic International Bank and Trust Co., today announced an increase of $2.60 million in the provision for possible loan losses, resulting in a net loss of $1.13 million, or 45 cents a share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to net income of $556,000, or 22 cents a share, for the same 1989 quarter.

The net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990 amounted to $1.07 million, or 43 cents a share, compared to net income of $1.22, or 48 cents a share, for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

At June 30, 1990, the company's allowance for possible loan losses was $5.3 million, or 3.50 percent of total loans and 69 percent of total non-performing loans.

Total stockholders' equity at June 30, 1990 was $20.4 million, or 10.2 percent of total assets.

USA Bancorp Inc., was formed in May 1988. Olympic International Bank and Trust, a commercial bank headquartered in Boston, became a public company in July 1986.

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     #90228b0794 08/16/1990 ~Business Wire
BERWYN, PA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Linpro Specified Properties, a real estate investment trust (ASE: LPO), Thursday announced quarterly earnings for the three months ended June 30 of $15,503, or one cent per share.

This compares to a quarterly loss of $24,341, or one cent per share for the three months ended June 30, 1989. This improvement is attributable to the timing of the reimbursement for administrative expenses from Linpro Income Fund I Partnership (LIF).

The Trust's primary asset is its 68 percent equity interest in LIF, which owns and operates seven commercial and industrial real estate properties.

LIF continues to retain all cash, except for administrative expense reimbursements, to fund operating and capital expenditures.

LINPRO INCOME FUND I PARTNERSHIP STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

For six months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Revenues:		
Rents and tenant reimbursements	$3,001,827	$3,112,423
Other income	311,462	147,570
Total revenues	$3,313,289	$3,259,993
Expenses:		
Interest	$2,075,408	$2,285,921
Depreciation and amortization	1,320,480	1,228,432
General operating	1,095,414	1,119,277
Management fee	140,417	143,371
Total expenses	$ 4,631,719	$4,777,001
Net loss	($1,318,430)	($1,517,008)

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LITTLETON, MASS. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Alliant Computer Systems Thursday announced the sale of two RISC-based FX/2800 supercomputers to associated Swedish institutions.

The Manne Siegbahn Institute (MSI) of Physics and the related KTH -- Royal Institute of Technology, both headquartered in Stockholm, have joined the growing number of Alliant FX/2800 users.

''We chose the FX/2800 for MSI because we needed a shared resource that could easily handle a number of very large applications, simultaneously,'' said Hans Holmgren, head of the computer section at Stockholm University Department of Physics.

Holmgren is responsible for purchasing computers for the Physics Center, the cooperative organization that links MSI, KTH, Stockholm University and the Stockholm Astronomy Observatory. The FX/2800 supercomputer at MSI is primarily used for quantum chemistry and high energy physics computations associated with the pan-European CERN accelerator ring project. KTH's system will be used for a mix of chemistry, fluid dynamics and other applications.

''Another reason for choosing the FX/2800 was its design and future

development concept based on an open architecture, parallelism and standard peripherals,'' said Holmgren. ''Confidence in the company we deal with is very important. We lost confidence in some of the major manufacturers who supplied us in the past. We trust Alliant as they listen carefully to the scientific community.''

''The FX/2800 is easy to work with and gives us the throughput and time to solution that is important for our very large and varied applications,'' said Dr. Nils Elander, senior scientist at MSI. ''We also knew from experience that we would get good service and support from Alliant.''

Alliant Computer Systems Corp. manufactures standards-based parallel supercomputers with visualization tools that enable scientists and engineers to quickly interpret and solve complex problems.

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HARTFORD, CT. (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The Advest Group Inc. has approved a plan to buy back up to two million shares or approximately 20 percent, of the company's common stock, it was announced today.

All purchases shall be conducted from time-to-time in the open market.

Anthony A. LaCroix, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, cited the current low price of the stock as a key reason for the decision. ''With the stock selling at less than half of book value, this is an opportune time to put excess cash to good use,'' he said.

The company also announced that the board approved a quarterly dividend of $0.04 per share payable on September 17 to stockholders of record as of August 31.

The Advest Group Inc. is a diversified financial services company traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ADV.

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RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - To further the development of partnerships and alliances with its suppliers and customers, James River Corp. (NYSE: JR) Thursday announced it has appointed John M. Nevin as senior vice president of a newly formed management function, Strategic Services.

''A key element of James River's corporate strategy has always been to form partnerships that provide our customers with products and services that have greater value,'' said company President Robert C Williams.

''Central to this effort are our Corporate Materials and Energy Procurement, Transportation and Customer Relations functions, all of which will be combined under Mr. Nevin's direction. His strong operating background and experience will enhance our total capabilities in this important quality performance area.''

Nevin, who will join James River on Sept. 1 from Wilton, Ct., comes from International Paper Co., where he was vice president of manufacturing, pulp and paper.

Nevin is a graduate of Princeton University with a B.S. degree in chemical engineering. He and his wife Joy have three children.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Teletrak Advanced Technology Systems Inc. (OTC) Thursday reported financial results for the second quarter and first half ended June 30.

Sales for the second quarter were $488,379 versus $529,072 for the same period last year. Net loss was $86,588 or nil cents per share as compared to a loss of $70,079 or nil cents per share in 1989.

First half sales totalled $1,123,889 versus $824,039 in 1989. Net loss was $82,372 or nil cents per share as compared to a loss of $247,641 or 1 cent per share in 1989.

Management stated that certain shipments originally planned for the second quarter were moved to the second half of the year due to budgetary limitations by one major financial institution. The company believes that based upon present indications from prospective customers, second half sales should exceed the first half and that operations should be profitable for that period.

Teletrak is a software development company and system integrator specializing in optical disc data technology which provides on-line storage and retrieval informations systems.

Teletrak Advanced Technology Systems Inc. is a publicly-held company traded over-the-counter.

Teletrak Advanced Technolgy Systems Inc.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended June 30, 1990	1989
Net sales	$ 488,379	$ 529,072
Net loss	$ (86,588)	$ (70,079)
Net loss per share	$ ---	$ ---
Average shares outstanding	19,734,000	19,664,000

	Six Months Ended June 30, 1990	1989
Net sales	$ 1,123,889	$ 824,039
Net loss	$ (82,372)	$ (247,641)
Net loss per share	$ ---	$ (.01)
Average shares outstanding	19,719,000	19,663,000

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LAS VEGAS (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Donald Mustain II, chairman of TGN Inc. - The Gaming Network - announced that a video taped demonstration of TGN's unique gaming and entertainment programming is being completed.

The video tape will be used by TGN Marketing Inc., the company's exclusive marketing agent, for presentation to potential cable carriers and sponsors.

The company contracted with Coronado Studios of Miami to produce a "network broadcast quality" demo tape. On location shooting has been completed in New York and at the Taj Mahal Casino in Atlantic City, N.J., and will be finalized in Las Vegas casino locations during the week of Aug. 19th.

The completed video presentation will feature computerized graphics and sample formats of TGN's planned programming, interviews with celebrities and well-known gaming personalities, and adult entertainment.

Ron Cherry, president of TGN Marketing Inc., stated that the company is negotiating with a former Miss America and other personalities who are under consideration as hosts and anchorpersons. He also noted that TGN Marketing Inc. has installed a nationwide toll-free number for marketing purposes. That number is 1-800-275-1090.

TGN - The Gaming Network - is a development stage company planning to transmit televised entertainment and gaming programming via statellite subscribers and satellite dish owners. The common stock of TGN Inc. (formerly Celesta Corp.) is traded over-the-counter.

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BOCA RATON, FL (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Hemodynamics Inc., (NASDAQ:HMDY:NMS) announced Thursday that it has completed the sale of all of its shares of Myo-Tech Corp.

The company sold its 1.8 million shares of Class B Common Stock to a group of investors led by M.T. Acquisition Corp. The purchase price was 28 cents per share, or $500,000.

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Donald Cronin, 407/994-4700.

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#90228b0836 08/16/1990 ~Business Wire

RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - James River Corp. (NYSE: JR) announced Thursday at its annual meeting of shareholders that its board of directors has approved a plan to enhance shareholder value by restructuring the company's operations.

This plan is the culmination of several major steps which were initiated during the last fiscal year including the sale of its Nonwovens Division and the shutdown of several unprofitable operations.

The plan, which is expected to be substantially completed within a year, will allow the Company to concentrate its management and financial resources on four core product areas:

Towel and Tissue
Dixie Food Service Products
Food and Consumer Packaging
Communication Papers

The new direction will increase the resources available for strategic expansion and allow the Company to simplify its structure so that it can concentrate on global growth opportunities in those James River businesses in which it commands a substantial market share, which are less cyclical, and which have the highest potential to provide James River with competitive advantage.

The company plans to divest its Specialty Industrial Papers Business, its eastern Business Papers operations in Berlin/Gorham and Groveton, New Hampshire, and Wiggins, Mississippi, and its coated printing papers operations at West Linn, Oregon. Less competitive towel and tissue operations in South Glens Falls, New York, and Ashland, Wisconsin will be phased out or sold.

The current annual sales rate of these operations is approximately $1.3 billion. The company also plans to reduce its interest in its pulp mill in Marathon, Ontario from 80 percent to 50 percent.

The company has signed a letter of intent to sell the Specialty Industrial Papers Business to a new company controlled by AEA Investors Inc. and a management group headed by James E. Rogers, currently Group Executive for this business.

James River will retain a 20 percent interest in the new company which is expected to be headquartered in Richmond, Va. Consummation of the transaction is subject to the completion of financing and the negotiation of definitive agreements.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Continental Corp. (NYSE:CIC) announced its board of directors Wednesday declared a third quarter dividend of 65 cents per share of common stock.

The dividend is payable Sept. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 4, 1990.

The Continental Corp., headquartered in New York City, has over $6 billion in annual revenues and $13 billion in assets. Its insurance subsidiaries

write property/casualty coverages through independent agents and major brokers, with an emphasis on commercial package policies and select specialized insurance products and services.

CONTACT: The Continental Corp., New York
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RANDOLPH, MA (AUG. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Apogee Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:APGG) reported Thursday that sales for the second quarter ended June 30, were approximately $627,000 compared with $501,000 in the same period last year.

Apogee reported a net operating loss of $151,000, or 10 cents per share compared to a loss of $139,000, or 9 cents per share in the 1989 second quarter.

Apogee, which is a foremost manufacturer of high-quality, high-end ribbon speakers, also reported that its order backlogs are at their highest levels ever.

For the first six months of 1990 the company reported revenues of approximately $1.286 million and a net operating loss of $309,000, or 20 cents per share compared with sales of $1.305 million and a net operating loss of $51,000, or 3 cents per share in the same period last year.

The company reported increases in research and development costs in the second quarter and first half this year compared with the same periods last year. R&D spending for the quarter was $108,000 compared with $102,000 last year and for the first half totaled $237,000 compared with $186,000.

These costs were primarily related to development of a digital amplifier, final development and testing associated with bringing Apogee's new Stage speaker system to production, development of the company's new Centaurus speaker line as well as research on various other new products.

Jason Bloom, president and chief executive officer of Apogee, said that the company has been testing a research model of an advanced architectural design of its digital amplifier.

He said that while further performance improvements and testing are progressing, initial results have proven the concept and functionality of the design. The company intends to seek patent protection for the digital amplifier.

Bloom said that some of the potential applications of the digitial amplifier may cover a wide range of commercial uses including home and professional audio entertainment and automobile audio systems as well as non-entertainment applications in robotics, electric automation, inertial navigation electronic drive elements and electric automotive drive systems.

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MOBILE, AL (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Altus Bank, a Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ/NMS: ALTS) announced Thursday that the board of directors has made the decision to apply for participation in a new government assistance program referred to as the Accelerated Resolution Program (ARP), according to James H. Gambill, president and chief executive officer.

The ARP, adopted on July 10, 1990, is a method for the government to address a capital deficient institution on an expedited basis and is designed to preserve an institution's franchise value and return it to capital compliance.

Gambill explained that under the program, an institution may be recapitalized with the branch network, core deposit base and majority of assets remaining in place while the problem assets are assumed by the government.

Only institutions which have an acceptable management structure and a stable operating environment, as determined by the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), are eligible for the program. Based on these criteria management believes Altus is eligible for the program.

Although Altus reported a slight profit for the second quarter, it is currently operating at capital levels below its minimum regulatory requirements. As previously reported Altus submitted a capital plan to the OTS on Jan. 8, 1990, which describes the manner by which the company intends to achieve regulatory capital compliance.

The OTS has not yet taken action on the company's plan; however, the plan does not provide for a capital injection. Gambill stated, "It appears from recent published information that plans of other companies which did not include a capital injection have been disapproved."

The rejection of Altus' plan could lead to the company being placed in

Resolution Trust Corp. conservatorship or receivership which would eliminate all stockholders' rights.

"Due to these circumstances, the board of directors has authorized management to seek inclusion in the ARP as it believes that the program is the most effective resolution for Altus' capital deficiency. An investor group, including certain current Altus directors, has been established and intends to submit a proposal by the end of the week.

"Under initial regulatory guidelines, participation in the ARP eliminates shareholder equity, and management is searching for alternatives to avoid this result and provide some future value to the current shareholders," said Gambill.

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - EnviroSource Inc. reported a second quarter net loss despite improved results from continuing operations, and stated that it expects to delay the Sept. redemption of a subsidiary's preferred stock, but that available sources of funds are anticipated to be sufficient to satisfy its other 1990 cash requirements.

Second quarter 1990 revenues increased 23 percent to $59 million. The company's continuing operations reported a $19,000 loss for the quarter, as compared with a loss of $2.2 million in the second quarter of 1989. After deducting preferred stock dividends and accretion, per share losses from continuing operations were $.13 in 1990 and $.66 in 1989.

EnviroSource also reported an $11 million additional loss from discontinued operations in the second quarter of 1990, due to increases in estimated costs to complete long-term contracts and to resolve disputed contract items at its McGraw Construction subsidiary, versus $2.2 million of income from discontinued operations in 1989.

Overall, the company reported a net loss of $11 million in the 1990 quarter, compared with net income of $287,000 in 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues increased 18 percent to $108 million. Results from continuing operations were a loss of $4.6 million, or $.69 per share, compared with a 1989 loss of $6.1 million, or $1.51 per share. The loss from discontinued operations amounted to $14 million, versus income of $6.9 million in 1989.

In total, the company reported a net loss of $18.6 million for the first six months of 1990, versus 1989 net income of $2.3 million, which also

included a $1.5 million extraordinary income tax benefit. The company also reported that in light of its present sources of funds it expects to defer the scheduled Sept. 1, 1990 redemption of $20 million of preferred stock of a Canadian subsidiary.

EnviroSource has commenced discussions with the holder of such preferred stock concerning alternative approaches to such redemption, but no agreement has been reached on any such alternative.

The company confirmed that borrowing capacity under its bank credit agreement, cash flow from operations and proceeds from anticipated sales of non-strategic assets are expected to be sufficient to satisfy 1990 operating requirements and interest on debt.

EnviroSource supplies industrial customers with long-term, specialized services, primarily the recycling, handling, stabilization or landfilling of environmentally sensitive wastes or by-products.

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James C. Hull, 203/321-1113

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#90228c0002 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Orbital Sciences Corp. (TICKER: ORBI) lost $295,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $27.03 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.56 million, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $18.03 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0003 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows General Bulders Corp. (TICKER: GBDC) lost $114,676, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $980,235 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $84,453, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $489,968 for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0004 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Health Insurance of Vermont Inc. (TICKER: HIVT) earned $143,432, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $1.22 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $136,136, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $1.02 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0005 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Eastover Bank for Savings earned $128,000, or $0.09 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $103,000 ($870,000 gain from discontinued operations), or $0.07 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0006 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Progressive Bank Inc. (TICKER: PSBK) lost $4.47 million, or $1.53 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.04 million, or $0.69 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0007 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 14:

Celebrity Resorts Inc. (CELE), Units 2/14/96 (CELEU), Wts 2/14/96 (CELEW)
Lunar Corp. (LUNR)
Media Development Industries Inc. (MDIL)

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#90228c0008 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - Jackpot Enterprises Inc. - Debentures (JACKG) was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 15 due to insufficient number of active market makers.

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#90228c0010 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Colonial Gas Co. (TICKER: CGES) lost $2.63 million, or $0.58 per share, on revenues of $19.76 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $2.18 million, or $0.53 per share, on revenues of $25.00 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0011 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Cardinal Technologies lost $136,000, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $640,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $33,000, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $993,000 for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0012 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Communications and Television lost $521,168, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $426,458 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $932,452 (including a loss of $323,929 from discontinued operations), or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $289,003 for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0013 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Kahler Corp. reporting a second quarter profit of $1.93 million, or $1.14 per share, on revenues of $24.73 million for the quarter ending July 1, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $726,000, or $0.47 per share, on revenues of $21.27 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0014 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Penn Pacific Corp. lost $9,430, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $307,417 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $224,909, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $196,550 for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0015 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Allied Products reporting second quarter earnings of $819,000, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $128.95 million for the period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $920,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $157.50 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0016 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Newport Electronics Inc. earned $151,000, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $4.66 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $86,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $4.59 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0018 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows International Broadcasting Corp. reporting a net loss of $9.08 million, or $2.64 per share, on revenues of $15.01 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $5.20 million, or $1.92 per share, on revenues of $13.16 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0019 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Apertus Technologies Inc. earned $23,000, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $6.44 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $5.24 million, or $0.43 per share, on revenues of $16.01 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0020 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Fortune Petroleum Corp. reporting a net loss of $102,000, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $199,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $8,000 (including an income tax provision of $3,000), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $283,000 for the same

period in 1989.

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#90228c0021 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:33 that trade in TSL Inc. (NASDAQ: TSLI) has been halted pending news. The last bid- ask was 9/32, 3/8. The company is located in Aurora, CO.

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#90228c0022 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:36 that trade in Air Ship Ind. (NASDAQ: AIRSY) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last bid was 1 7/32.

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#90228c0023 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:41 that trade in Security Agnico Eagle Lines (NASDAQ: AEAGF) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7 3/4.

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#90228c0024 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Science Dynamics Corp. lost $235,938, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $1.12 milion for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $27,310, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.37 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0026 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Progressive Savings Bank earned $247,921, or $0.03 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $730,233, or $0.08 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0027 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Automedix Sciences Inc. lost $212,352, or $0.03 per share, on interest

income of $16,072 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $356,813, or $0.05 per share, on interest income of $39,924 for the same period in 1989.

Since its inception, the company has been primarily engaged in the research and development of its proposed products and has not realized any revenues from sales. During the quarter ended June 30, 1990, the company received two approvals from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to continue clinical evaluation of its blood L-tryptophan depletion device.

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#90228c0028 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Entertainment Corporation of America earned $232,477, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $5.73 million for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $21,041, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $1.49 million for the four-month period ended April 30, 1989.

The company's executive office is located at 3102 Oak Lawn, Suite 730, Dallas, Texas 75219 and its telephone number is (214) 528-8487.

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#90228c0029 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Haywood S&L Assn. earned $309,461, or $0.49 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $203,275, or $0.32 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0030 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows USA Bancorp Inc. lost $1.13 million, or $0.45 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $556,000, or $0.22 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0031 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Energy Assets International Corp. earned $68,000, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $111,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.47 million, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $1.24 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0032 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Omnicorp Ltd. lost $82,130, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.74 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $74,889 (including a gain of $135,000 from discontinued operations), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0034 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Selecterm Inc. lost $451,408, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $3.19 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $95,323, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $6.62 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0035 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Conesco Industries Ltd. earned $109,576, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.97 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $107,869, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $2.22 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0036 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Wicat Systems Inc. earned $384,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $11.61 million for the quarter ended July 1, 1990.

This compares with net income of $21,000, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $9.44 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0037 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Corcom Inc. lost $529,000, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $7.65 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $477,000, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $8.79 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0038 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:02 that trade in Electronic Tech Group (NASDAQ: ETEK) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 4 7/16, 4 9/16. The company is located in Jamestown, NY.

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#90228c0039 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:07 that trade in TSL Inc. (NASDAQ: TSLI) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 5/16; up 1/32 point from the halt and from the previous close.

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#90228c0040 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in First CT Small Business Investments has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol FCO. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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#90228c0042 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Nutri-Products Inc. reporting a net loss of $450,104, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $125,376 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $289,380, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $100,536 for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0043 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Teltronics Inc. earned $52,772, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.48 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $108,611, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.99 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0044 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows SEI Corp. earned $3.04 million, or $0.27 per share, on revenues of $42.87 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $2.99 million, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $36.25 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0045 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Phoenix Advanced Technology Inc. lost $533,920, or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $140,800 (excluding sales returns and allowances of $165,903) for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $390,871, or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $175,520 for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0046 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Flagler Bank Corp. earned $606,000, or $0.27 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $587,000, or $0.26 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0047 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Wisconsin Real Estate Investment Trust reporting a net loss of $329,000, or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $45.57 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $2.26 million, or $1.45 per share, on revenues of $49.72 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0048 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Celerex Corp. lost $700,722, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $124,439 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $490,366, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $419,556 for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0050 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American National Petroleum reporting net gain of $154,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.81 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $139,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $5.05 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0051 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Regency Equities Corp. reporting $293,011 on revenues of $508,121 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $62,641, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $304,184 for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0052 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bull Run Gold Mines lost $553,923, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $3.36 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $72,044, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.82 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0053 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Aero Services International lost $1.70 million, or $0.31 per share, on revenues of $11.65 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $1.21 million, or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $13.46 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0054 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Equine Products lost $271,014, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.16 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $167,481, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $713,733 for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0055 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Newnan Savings Bank, FSB earned $210,046, or $0.13 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $151,764, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $1.20 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0056 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Baltimore Bancorp earned $5.40 million (including an extraordinary gain of $1.57 million), or $0.42 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $5.69 million (including an extraordinary gain of $238,000), or $0.45 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0058 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Allegheny Int'l has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol AG. Trading was resumed at 10:46.

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#90228c0059 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:03 that trade in Dress Barn Inc. (NASDAQ: DRBN) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7 1/2. The company is located in Stamford, CT.

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#90228c0060 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Home Federal Savings Bank of Xenia, Ohio earned $149,000, or $0.26 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $202,000, or $0.35 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0061 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Rawson-Koenig Inc. earned $43,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $4.07 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $102,000,or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.52 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0062 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Analytical Surveys Inc. lost $44,123, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.71 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $35,965, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.17 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0063 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Scan-Optics Inc. earned $207,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $10.77 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.16 million, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $10.64 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0064 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Dominguez Services Corp. earned $438,074, or $0.44 per share, on revenues of $5.21 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $405,410, or $0.40 per share, on revenues of $5.22 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0066 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Met Capital Corp. earned $165,935, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.14 million for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $746,708, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of 494,137 for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0067 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bign Piney Oil and Gas Co. lost $125,447, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $11,300 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1,897, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $50,550 for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0068 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Edison Control Corp. earned $9,441, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $358,811 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $40,576, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $274,886 for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0069 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows WNS Inc. earned $6.30 million (including an extraordinary gain of $1.97 million and a gain of $7.3 million from the sale of Deck the Walls), or $5.24 per share, on revenues of $6.16 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.15 million, or $0.95 per share, on revenues of $7.48 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0070 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Centrum Industries lost $45,903 (including a loss of $9,131 from discontinued operations), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.27 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $8,856, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.25 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0071 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Financial Industries Corp. reporting net income of $1.31 million, or $1.21 per share, on revenues of $240,047 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $29,885, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $82,889 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 492

#90228c0072 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Applied Technology Systems reporting six-month earnings of $20,090, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $192,547 for the period ending June 30, 1990.

The company did not report comparative figures for the corresponding six months in 1989.

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#90228c0074 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Inbancshares reporting earnings of $739,000, or $0.39 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $755,000, or $0.40 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 419

#90228c0075 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Capitol Street Corp. earned $2.78 million, or $1.74 per share, on revenues of $8.85 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $2.23 million (including a loss of $259,000 from discontinued operations), or $1.38 per share, on revenues of $7.43 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 544

#90228c0076 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Judicate Inc. lost $284,350, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $407,505 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $567,890, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $303,153 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 447

#90228c0077 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Secor Bank, Federal Savings Bank earned $1.72 million (including an extraordinary gain of $1.88 million), or $0.01 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.00 million, or $0.28 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 496

#90228c0078 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:50 that trade in Cetus Corp. (NASDAQ: CTUS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 9 1/2. The company is located in Emeryville, CA.

-30- 328

#90228c0079 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:55 that trade in Electronic Tech Group (NASDAQ: ETEK) has been resumed. The first bid was 4 3/4; up 5/16 point from the halt, and up 3/16 point from the previous close.

-30- 369

#90228c0080 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:43 that trade in Security Agnico Eagle Mines (NASDAQ: AEAGF) has been resumed. The first sale was 7 1/2; down 1/4 point from the halt and from the previous close.

-30- 368

#90228c0082 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:04 that trade in Cetus Corp. (NASDAQ: CTUS) has been resumed. The first sale was 9 1/2; up 1/4 point from the halt, and up 1/2 point from the previous close.

-30- 348
#90228c0083 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pacific First Financial Corp. earned $8.16 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $4.18 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 397
#90228c0084 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows People's Savings Financial Corp. (TICKER: PBNB) earned $651,000, or $0.32 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $692,000, or $0.28 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 447
#90228c0085 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Seacoast Banking Corp. of Florida (TICKER: SBCF) earned $409,000, or $0.11 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $826,000, or $0.24 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 448
#90228c0086 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows KCR Technology (TICKER: KCRT) lost $2.07 million, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $204,600 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $1.51 million, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $98,843 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 468
#90228c0087 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The American Network Group (TICKER: AMNT) lost $274,764, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $923,457 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $78,357, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $825,679 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 483
#90228c0088 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Wyoming Oil and Minerals Inc. earned $349, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $43,437 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $3,866, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $51,216 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 488
#90228c0090 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pharmatec Inc. (TICKER: PHTC) reporting losses of $92,209, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $303,653 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $318,527, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $530,946 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 474
#90228c0091 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows ICC Technologies (TICKER: ICGN) lost $346,287, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $88,799 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $1.16 million, or $0.77 per share, on revenues of $217,227 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 476
#90228c0092 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ryan, Beck & Co. Inc. (TICKER: RBCO) reporting losses of $1.45 million, or $0.34 per share, on revenues of $2.75 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $128,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $5.10 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 513
#90228c0093 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Savannah Bancorp (TICKER: SAVB) lost $2,801, or $0.01 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The corporation was chartered in October, 1989, and consequently does not report corresponding figures for the same period in 1989.

-30- 459

#90228c0094 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mosinee Paper Corp. (TICKER: MOSI) reporting earnings of $3.18 million, or $0.45 per share, on revenues of $52.70 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $3.64 million, or $0.51 per share, on revenues of $58.33 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 512

#90228c0095 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Wolverine Exploration Co. (TICKER: WEXC) lost $7.64 million (including a loss from an extraordinary charge from early retirement of subordinated debt of $1.63 million), or $0.55 per share, on revenues of $10.44 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $3.23 million, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $1.54 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 616

#90228c0096 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows C-Tec (TICKER: CTEX) lost $2.27 million, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $49.04 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $3.17 million, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $38.14 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 487

#90228c0098 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Discus Corp. (TICKER: DISC) lost $94,219, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $3.98 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $39,339, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $4.13 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 460

#90228c0099 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Beta Phase Inc. (TICKER: BETA) lost $576,847, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $257,665 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $899,788, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $269,277 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 450

#90228c0100 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows INVG Mortgage Securities Corp. (TICKER: INVG) lost $904,965, or $1.33 per share, on interest income of $62.38 million for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $837,278, or $1.23 per share, on interest income of $70.67 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 519

#90228c0101 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Equitable Bankshares of Colorado Inc. earned $230,000, or $2.20 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $93,000, or $0.89 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 433

#90228c0102 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pubco Corp. (TICKER: PUBO) earned $292,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $27.74 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $862,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $26.30 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 459

#90228c0103 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Empire-Orr Inc. (TICKER: EORR) lost $1.03 million, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $3.82 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.27 million (including a loss of $713,442 from discontinued operations), or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $4.35

million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 546

#90228c0104 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Paradise Fruit Co. Inc. (TICKER: PARF) lost $1.02 million, or $2.04 per share, on revenues of $1.46 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $439,918, or $0.88 per share, on revenues of $1.71 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 482

#90228c0106 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Southern Security Life Insurance Co. (TICKER: SSLI) earned $134,479, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $2.34 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $24,499, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.76 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 515

#90228c0107 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Transtector Systems Inc. (TICKER: TTOR) earned $15,427, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.27 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $40,623, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.09 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 487

#90228c0108 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows California Financial Holding Co. (TICKER: CFHC) earned $2.90 million, or $0.72 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.21 million, or $0.30 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0109 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Harcor Energy (TICKER: HARC) reporting a net loss of $417,366, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $480,807 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $241,703, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $414,014 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 481

#90228c0110 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Oxidyne Group (TICKER: OXID) lost $619,000, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $632,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $528,000, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $1.85 million, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 478

#90228c0111 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Teletrak Advanced Technology Systems (TICKER: TATS) lost $86,588, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $488,379 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $70,079, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $529,072 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 526

#90228c0112 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Constellation Bancorp (TICKER: CSTL) earned $688,000, or $0.09 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $7.57 million, or $0.91 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 428

#90228c0114 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows TVX Broadcasting (TICKER: TVXG) earned $7.76 million (including an extraordinary utilization of net operating loss carry forwards of $1.31 million), or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $48.29 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $13.60 million, or $1.86 per share, on revenues of $43.06 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 604
#90228c0115 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Horizon Gold Shares Inc. (TICKER: HRIZ) lost $706,766, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.64 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $303,105, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.95 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 487
#90228c0116 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Star Classics Inc. (TICKER: SCLS) earned $13,767, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $963,290 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $59,994, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.18 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 471
#90228c0117 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:11 that trade in Advest Group (NASDAQ: ADV) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on NYSE ticker symbol ADV .

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#90228c0118 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Advest Group has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ADV. Trading was resumed at 14:50.

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#90228c0119 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Universal Holding Corp. (TICKER: UHCO) lost $54,694 (including an extraordinary gain of $21,000), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $702,591 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $35,287, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.63 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 513

#90228c0120 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Landmark/Community Bancorp Inc. (TICKER: LNDM) lost $320,000 (including an extraordinary loss of $159,000), or $0.06 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $296,000, or $0.06 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 479

#90228c0122 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Tel Offshore Trust (TICKER: TELO) reported distributable income of $991,042, or $0.21 per unit, on revenues of $1.14 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with distributable income of $1.62 million, or $0.34 per unit, on revenues of $1.72 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 515

#90228c0123 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows North Coast Energy Inc. (TICKER: NOCO) earned $104,319, or $0.04 per share on revenues of $1.05 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $155,072, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $951,108 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 470

#90228c0124 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mutual Federal Savings Bank,(TICKER: MFBZ) A Stock Corp. earned $519,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $90,000), or $0.63 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $525,000 (extraordinary gain of $150,000), or $0.65 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 527

#90228c0125 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hawkins Chemical Inc.(TICKER: HWKN) earned $948,131, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $18.97 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $979,735, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $13.11 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 487

#90228c0126 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Alpha 1 Biomedicals Inc. (TICKER: ALBM) lost $376,540, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $26,709 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $198,681, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $17,221 for the same period in 1989.

Alpha 1 Biomedicals Inc. is currently in the development stage.

Revenue producing activities have been limited to sales of bioproducts for research purposes and clinical trials, sales of rights and licenses and consulting.

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#90228c0127 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows New Retail Concepts Inc. (TICKER: NRCX) earned $100,484, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $13.77 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $332,895 (extraordinary gain of $174,000), or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $1.41 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 515

#90228c0128 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Communications Transmission (TICKER: CTIA) lost $16.42 million, or $1.65 per share, on revenues of $95.23 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $7.77 million, or $0.81 per share, on revenues of $101.33 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0130 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Spire Corp. (TICKER: SPIR) earned $12,767, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $4.73 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $129,502, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $5.13 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90228c0131 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) COMTEX - New Generation Foods, Inc. Wednesday reported its second-quarter and six-month financial results:

	FOR THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30	
	1990	1989
SALES (000)	$1,534.	$1,379.
LOSS (000)	(17)	(114)
LOSS PER SHARE	(.00)	(.01)
NUMBER OF SHARES (000)	12,263	10,711

	FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30	
	1990	1989
SALES (000)	$2,663.	$1,942.
LOSS (000)	(107)	(521)
LOSS PER SHARE	(.01)	(.05)
NUMBER OF SHARES (000)	12,244	10,498

Mr. Jerry Flum, President of New Generation Foods said:

"The rapidly expanding geographical base of stores selling Spicer's Crunchy Diet Snacks will soon begin to be maximized. We have hired three highly professional, experienced Regional Sales Managers for the geographical areas of Mid-Atlantic/New England states, the Western states and the Southeastern States. The Central Regional Sales Manager has been in place since the beginning of 1990."

He also stated:

"We have just started national radio advertising with approximately 35 minutes of product advertising, each week, into virtually every city in the United States."

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#90228c0132 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 29, 1990, W.J. MCCARTHY, VP OF MONTGOMERY WARD HOLDING CORP.

BOUGHT 95,000 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,000.

-30- 316
#90228c0134 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, C.E. COLE, DIR. OF NORTH PITTSBURGH SYSTEMS INC. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,305.

-30- 306
#90228c0135 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, G.W. ROLLINS, DIR. OF RLC CORP. BOUGHT 3,671 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 238
#90228c0136 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, G.W. ROLLINS, DIR. OF RLC CORP. BOUGHT 4,060 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 387,627.

-30- 277
#90228c0137 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, R.J.A. IRWIN, DIR. OF ST. JOE PAPER CO. (TICKER: SJP) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $38.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 301
#90228c0139 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 5, 1990, MOOG INC ESSOP, BEN. OWNER OF MOOG INC. (TICKER: MOG), BOUGHT 611 CLASS A SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90228c0140 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 12, 1990, MOOG INC ESSOP, BEN. OWNER OF MOOG INC. (TICKER: MOG), BOUGHT 160 CLASS A SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90228c0141 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, MOOG INC ESSOP, BEN. OWNER OF MOOG INC. (TICKER: MOG), BOUGHT 122 CLASS A SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90228c0142 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 20, 1990, MOOG INC ESSOP, BEN. OWNER OF MOOG INC. (TICKER: MOG), BOUGHT 575 CLASS A SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 255,196.

-30- 309
#90228c0143 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, D.R. MORGAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF UTAH RESOURCES INTERN INC BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 874,534.

-30- 338
#90228c0144 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, BEN O HOWELL JR, OFFICER OF ALLIED BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: ABGA), SOLD 7,358 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,205.

-30- 330
#90228c0145 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, RICHARD P GODWIN, DIR. OF COORS (ADOLPH) CO. (TICKER: ACCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 316
#90228c0147 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, RALPH WILSON, DIR. OF ACTION STAFFING INC. (TICKER: ACTS), SOLD 31,000 SHARES AT $0.71 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,820.

-30- 315
#90228c0148 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, BRUCE P PURDY, BEN. OWNER OF ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: AIN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,952,716.

-30- 333
#90228c0149 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT C WINTERS, DIR. OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,900.

-30- 309
#90228c0150 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, S FELTON MITCHELL JR, DIR. OF QMS INC. (TICKER: AQM), SOLD 750 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750.

-30- 289
#90228c0151 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, MAURICE C LUND, DIR. OF MESABA AVIATION CORP. (TICKER: ATCC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 313
#90228c0152 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, LAWRENCE M LIEBMAN, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,760.

-30- 318
#90228c0153 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, CARL M PORTO, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,720.

-30- 311
#90228c0155 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, VINCENT A ROMEI, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90228c0156 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, VINCENT A ROMEI, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90228c0157 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, VINCENT A ROMEI, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,827.

-30- 313
#90228c0158 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 17, 1990, AUGUST A BUSCH III, CHAIRMAN OF ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. (TICKER: BUD), SOLD 160 SHARES AT $38.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 684,181.

-30- 323
#90228c0159 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, GARY L SCHAUGAARD, DIR. OF BIZMART INC. (TICKER: BZMT), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $14.96 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 376,721.

-30- 311
#90228c0160 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, KENNETH W MONFORT, DIR. OF CONAGRA INC. (TICKER: CAG), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,092,382.

-30- 305
#90228c0161 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, BARRY W HALL, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC. (TICKER: CAMP), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,500.

-30- 333
#90228c0163 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DENNIS SCHWAB, VP OF CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC. (TICKER: CAMP), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 320
#90228c0164 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, LAURICE J WEST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC. (TICKER: CAMP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,000.

-30- 349
#90228c0165 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, TRANUM FITZPATRICK, DIR. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 104 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90228c0166 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, TRANUM FITZPATRICK, DIR. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 123 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,303.

-30- 347
#90228c0167 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, SAMUEL W BODMAN, CHAIRMAN OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $32.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 203,000.

-30- 308
#90228c0168 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, GEORGE KERN, VP OF CONTEL CELLULAR INC. (TICKER: CCXL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90228c0169 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, GEORGE KERN, VP OF CONTEL CELLULAR INC. (TICKER: CCXL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 300
#90228c0171 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, RUSSELL R WEST, VP OF COMDISCO INC. (TICKER: CDO), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 293
#90228c0172 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ROBERT O VIETS, PRES. OF CILCORP INC. (TICKER: CER), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90228c0173 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ROBERT O VIETS, PRES. OF CILCORP INC. (TICKER: CER), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $33.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,030.

-30- 294
#90228c0174 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN F NACKLEY, OFFICER OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90228c0175 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, LAWRENCE R PANARO, VP OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 296
#90228c0176 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JOSEPH BRESLIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90228c0177 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, MARTIN J CULLEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 2,800 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90228c0179 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ANTHONY J FAZZARI, VP OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 7,509 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90228c0180 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, RAYMOND HICKEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 2,400 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90228c0181 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RAYMOND HICKEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 1,900 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90228c0182 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, HOWARD M LEITNER, PRES. OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0183 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, LEON PORDY, CHAIRMAN OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 6,057 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90228c0184 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, LEON PORDY, CHAIRMAN OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 6,200 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90228c0185 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ISMAR REICH, VP OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 1,639 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90228c0187 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, GEORGE W RUDY, DIR. OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90228c0188 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), SOLD 6,718 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90228c0189 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 06, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), SOLD 6,512 SHARES AT $6.51 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90228c0190 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), SOLD 7,133 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90228c0191 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), SOLD 2,272 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90228c0192 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), SOLD 4,120 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90228c0193 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), SOLD 1,010 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90228c0195 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 343
#90228c0196 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90228c0197 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), SOLD 1,405 SHARES AT $5.13

PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90228c0198 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90228c0199 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, ALAN F RUSSELL, VP OF CHIRON CORP. (TICKER: CHIR), SOLD 319 SHARES AT $40.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 144.

-30- 287
#90228c0200 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, GEORGE G ZIPF, DIR. OF THE CONTINENTAL CORP. (TICKER: CIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 317
#90228c0201 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, RALPH J BEAN JR, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), SOLD 1,064 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,379.

-30- 329
#90228c0203 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, L WILLIAM KRAUSE, CHAIRMAN OF 3COM CORP. (TICKER: COMS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90228c0204 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, L WILLIAM KRAUSE, CHAIRMAN OF 3COM CORP. (TICKER: COMS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 481,740.

-30- 307
#90228c0205 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, CHRISTOPHER B PAISLEY, VP OF 3COM CORP. (TICKER: COMS), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,621.

-30- 300
#90228c0206 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1990, JOHN D HARPER JR, SHAREHOLDER OF COMTREX SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: COMX), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.84 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 98,860.

-30- 335
#90228c0207 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ROSS M BLAKELY, SHAREHOLDER OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,142.

-30- 345
#90228c0208 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SIMEON C HIXSON, SHAREHOLDER OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $3.64 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600.

-30- 346
#90228c0209 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, NORMAN H RAIDEN, SHAREHOLDER OF COAST SAVINGS

FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 344
#90228c0211 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0212 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0213 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $3.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90228c0214 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90228c0215 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0216 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90228c0217 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 66,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90228c0219 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 814,600.

-30- 327
#90228c0220 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: CUE), BOUGHT 94,070 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90228c0221 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: CUE), BOUGHT 17,930 SHARES AT $14.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90228c0222 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CSX SEA LAND LOGISTICS INC, BEN. OWNER OF COUNTRY WIDE TRANSPORT SERVICES INC. (TICKER: CWTS), SOLD 1,100,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 345
#90228c0223 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DONALD KINZER, VP OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90228c0224 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, DONALD KINZER, VP OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90228c0225 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, DONALD KINZER, VP OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90228c0227 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 03, 1988, KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN IND, BEN. OWNER OF DST SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DSTS), SOLD 450,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,580,000.

-30- 350
#90228c0228 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HOWARD R HOLT, DIR. OF EASTLAND FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: EAFC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,020.

-30- 318
#90228c0229 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, NORMAN N BEHAR, OFFICER OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90228c0230 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, KENNETH D DEJOHN, OFFICER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), SOLD 2,060 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,940.

-30- 309
#90228c0231 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM L MARRINER, OFFICER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90228c0232 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM L MARRINER, OFFICER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90228c0233 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, WILLIAM L MARRINER, OFFICER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90228c0235 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, MERLE MCCREERY, OFFICER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,925.

-30- 305
#90228c0236 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, CLIFTON R WHARTON JR, DIR. OF FORD MOTOR CO. (DEL) (TICKER: F), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 3,900.

-30- 320
#90228c0237 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, DONALD P KENNEDY, PRES. OF FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FAMR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 266,557.

-30- 337
#90228c0238 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, ROBERT A MCCABE JR, DIV. OFFICER OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90228c0239 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, ROBERT A MCCABE JR, DIV. OFFICER OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90228c0240 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1989, C PAUL JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: FCOL), BOUGHT 625 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90228c0241 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 03, 1989, C PAUL JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: FCOL), BOUGHT 115 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 730,250.

-30- 343
#90228c0243 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, RALPH W KETNER, DIR. OF FOOD LION INC. (TICKER: FDLN), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $13.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,157,341.

-30- 308
#90228c0244 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, RALPH W KETNER, DIR. OF FOOD LION INC. (TICKER: FDLN), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $13.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90228c0245 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, RALPH W KETNER, DIR. OF FOOD LION INC. (TICKER: FDLN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,877,042.

-30- 306
#90228c0246 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, LUTHER R CAMPBELL JR, DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,900.

-30- 340
#90228c0247 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, HAROLD A MCCLEERY, VP OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 335
#90228c0248 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, THOMAS H OBRIEN JR, VP OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 330
#90228c0249 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, WOLFGANG SCHOELLKOPF, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90228c0251 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ANTHONY P TERRACCIANO, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90228c0252 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ANTHONY P TERRACCIANO, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 355
#90228c0253 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLIAM G RUTHERFORD, VP OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 354.

-30- 327
#90228c0254 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, WILLIAM R BENZ, VP OF FHP INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FHPC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $18.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 308
#90228c0255 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, STEPHEN L BROWN, CHAIRMAN OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), BOUGHT 264 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,604.

-30- 325
#90228c0256 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, ALBERT W MOORE, SHAREHOLDER OF GLEASON CORP. (TICKER: GLE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90228c0257 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ALBERT W MOORE, SHAREHOLDER OF GLEASON CORP. (TICKER: GLE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90228c0259 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JAMES H STONE, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90228c0260 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JAMES H STONE, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 917.

-30- 294
#90228c0261 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JAMES H STONE, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 259

#90228c0262 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JAMES H STONE, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90228c0263 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 22, 1989, MORTON A COHEN, DIR. OF RAPITECH SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RPSY), BOUGHT 1,667 SHARES AT $0.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,667.

-30- 315
#90228c0264 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, GEORGE L ATKINS, VP OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90228c0265 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, GEORGE L ATKINS, VP OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $50.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,595.

-30- 291
#90228c0267 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, KATHRYN M MERSHON, OFFICER OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $49.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,072.

-30- 305
#90228c0268 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, THOMAS D MOORE, OFFICER OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM), SOLD 3,634 SHARES AT $50.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90228c0269 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ALFRED H HUNT III, PRES. OF IFR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IFRS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 89,263.

-30- 306
#90228c0270 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, BERNARD P GIROUD, VP OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $44.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90228c0271 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, BERNARD P GIROUD, VP OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC), SOLD 655 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,342.

-30- 288
#90228c0272 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90228c0273 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 7,087 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90228c0275 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90228c0276 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,050 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90228c0277 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90228c0278 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90228c0279 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 887,866.

-30- 354
#90228c0280 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, GERALD S LIPPES, OFFICER OF MARK IV INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IV), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90228c0281 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, GERALD S LIPPES, OFFICER OF MARK IV INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IV), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90228c0283 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, GERALD S LIPPES, OFFICER OF MARK IV INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IV), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90228c0284 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, GERALD S LIPPES, OFFICER OF MARK IV INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IV), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,126,000.

-30- 315
#90228c0285 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, RICHARD C JELINEK, SHAREHOLDER OF KNOWLEDGE DATA SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: KDSI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90228c0286 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, RICHARD C JELINEK, SHAREHOLDER OF KNOWLEDGE DATA SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: KDSI), SOLD 17,990 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90228c0287 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, RICHARD C JELINEK, SHAREHOLDER OF KNOWLEDGE DATA SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: KDSI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90228c0288 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, RICHARD C JELINEK, SHAREHOLDER OF KNOWLEDGE DATA SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: KDSI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 712,675.

-30- 347
#90228c0289 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PHILIP E GAHR, OFFICER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,256.

-30- 298
#90228c0291 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90228c0292 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90228c0293 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90228c0294 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP.

(TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0295 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,523,171.

-30- 327
#90228c0296 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, IVAN R CAIRNS, VP OF LAIDLAW INC. (TICKER: LDMF), SOLD 27,000 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90228c0297 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, IVAN R CAIRNS, VP OF LAIDLAW INC. (TICKER: LDMF), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90228c0299 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90228c0300 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90228c0301 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF
CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90228c0302 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF
CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90228c0303 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF
CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90228c0304 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF
CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90228c0305 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF
CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90228c0307 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, THOMAS S JOHNSON, PRES. OF MANUFACTURERS HANOVER
CORP. (TICKER: MHC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING
DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 335
#90228c0308 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, DONALD G WALSER, DIR. OF MID-SOUTH INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: MIDS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,116.

-30- 325
#90228c0309 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, FARRIS G KALIL, VP OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $29.29 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,514.

-30- 308
#90228c0310 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, C TRAVIS MARSHALL, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 1,086 SHARES AT $87.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90228c0311 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, C TRAVIS MARSHALL, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 7,200 SHARES AT $87.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,663.

-30- 300
#90228c0312 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, EILEEN L COLE, OFFICER OF MILTON ROY CO. (TICKER: MRC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90228c0313 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JEROME F SHELDON, DIR. OF MEDICINE SHOPPE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MSII), SOLD 9,100 SHARES AT $25.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90228c0315 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JEROME F SHELDON, DIR. OF MEDICINE SHOPPE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MSII), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175,525.

-30- 341
#90228c0316 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, WILLIAM J BROWN, VP OF MAXTOR CORP. (TICKER: MXTR), SOLD 1,767 SHARES AT $14.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90228c0317 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ALEXANDER MALACCORTO, VP OF MAXTOR CORP. (TICKER: MXTR), SOLD 2,102 SHARES AT $14.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90228c0318 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, PAUL G ABRAMS, PRES. OF NEORX CORP. (TICKER: NERX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,042.

-30- 299
#90228c0319 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, KEVIN J KINSELLA, CHAIRMAN OF NEORX CORP. (TICKER: NERX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90228c0320 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, KEVIN J KINSELLA, CHAIRMAN OF NEORX CORP. (TICKER: NERX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

109,745.

-30- 311
#90228c0321 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90228c0323 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90228c0324 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90228c0325 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90228c0326 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90228c0327 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER:

NEV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90228c0328 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER:
NEV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90228c0329 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER:
NEV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90228c0331 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER:
NEV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90228c0332 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER:
NEV), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90228c0333 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER:
NEV), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90228c0334 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER:

NEV), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90228c0335 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 308
#90228c0336 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 306
#90228c0337 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, THOMAS D BARROW, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 307
#90228c0339 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, RICHARD H EBBS, VP OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90228c0340 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, RICHARD H EBBS, VP OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90228c0341 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, RICHARD H EBBS, VP OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 296
#90228c0342 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, LISA A ELLIOTT, VP OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 297
#90228c0343 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ROBERT L GERRY III, PRES. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 305
#90228c0344 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, DENNIS A HAMMOND, AFFILIATED PERSON OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 260 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 260.

-30- 329
#90228c0345 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JOHN B WALKER, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90228c0347 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RICHARD M KOVACEVICH, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90228c0348 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RICHARD M KOVACEVICH, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 325
#90228c0349 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,430 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90228c0350 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,430 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90228c0351 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,430 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90228c0352 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 6,100 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90228c0353 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS

PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 6,100 SHARES AT $28.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90228c0355 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 6,100 SHARES AT $28.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90228c0356 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $27.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90228c0357 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $28.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,656,995.

-30- 360
#90228c0358 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, PETER A BUTLER, VP OF PARAMOUNT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: PCI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90228c0359 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, PETER A BUTLER, VP OF PARAMOUNT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: PCI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $44.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90228c0360 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, PETER A BUTLER, VP OF PARAMOUNT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: PCI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $43.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,439.

-30- 328
#90228c0361 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, JUDITH E MCCAFFREY, OFFICER OF PERPETUAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PFCP), SOLD 2,400 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90228c0363 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, RICHARD M GLOVER, VP OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 2,800 SHARES AT $82.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,490.

-30- 311
#90228c0364 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, RONALD S BRASWELL, DIR. OF PLANTERS CORP. (TICKER: PNBT), BOUGHT 325 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,825.

-30- 306
#90228c0365 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, WILLIAM H KINCHELOE, DIR. OF PLANTERS CORP. (TICKER: PNBT), BOUGHT 308 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,251.

-30- 308
#90228c0366 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, WILLIAM F POE, CHAIRMAN OF POE & ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: POEA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 622,819.

-30- 320
#90228c0367 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), BOUGHT 103 SHARES AT $48.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90228c0368 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, LAWRENCE E ROYSTON JR, OFFICER OF PRICOR INC. (TICKER: PRCO), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90228c0369 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 04, 1990, LAWRENCE E ROYSTON JR, OFFICER OF PRICOR INC. (TICKER: PRCO), SOLD 13,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,925.

-30- 312
#90228c0371 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1987, HARWELL W PROFFITT, DIR. OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), BOUGHT 650 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90228c0372 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 25, 1987, HARWELL W PROFFITT, DIR. OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90228c0373 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1987, HARWELL W PROFFITT, DIR. OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

5,950.

-30- 306
#90228c0374 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 22, 1988, HARWELL W PROFFITT, DIR. OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90228c0375 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 09, 1988, HARWELL W PROFFITT, DIR. OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90228c0376 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1988, HARWELL W PROFFITT, DIR. OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90228c0377 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1988, HARWELL W PROFFITT, DIR. OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,725.

-30- 311
#90228c0379 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1989, HARWELL W PROFFITT, DIR. OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,225.

-30- 308
#90228c0380 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 09, 1990, HARWELL W PROFFITT, DIR. OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90228c0381 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 04, 1990, HARWELL W PROFFITT, DIR. OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90228c0382 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, HARWELL W PROFFITT, DIR. OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), BOUGHT 275 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,700.

-30- 308
#90228c0383 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN DEVITO, OFFICER OF PEOPLE'S TELEPHONE CO. (TICKER: PTEL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90228c0384 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN DEVITO, OFFICER OF PEOPLE'S TELEPHONE CO. (TICKER: PTEL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,008.

-30- 320
#90228c0385 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JEFFREY HANFT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PEOPLE'S TELEPHONE CO. (TICKER: PTEL), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90228c0387 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JEFFREY HANFT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PEOPLE'S TELEPHONE CO. (TICKER: PTEL), SOLD 6,250 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 266,795.

-30- 364
#90228c0388 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, CHARLES R ROACH, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ROOSEVELT FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RFED), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90228c0389 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JAMES O'BRIEN, DIR. OF RHEOMETRICS INC. (TICKER: RHEM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,050.

-30- 304
#90228c0390 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, DAVID C BILSING, VP OF REYNOLDS METALS CO. (TICKER: RLM), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $66.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 303
#90228c0391 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JOHN M NOONAN, VP OF REYNOLDS METALS CO. (TICKER: RLM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $60.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,661.

-30- 308
#90228c0392 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, WILLIAM G REYNOLDS JR, VP OF REYNOLDS METALS CO. (TICKER: RLM), SOLD 3,100 SHARES AT $64.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,685.

-30- 319
#90228c0393 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, D A DAVIDSON & CO, BEN. OWNER OF THE ROCKIES FUND INC. (TICKER: ROCF), BOUGHT 875 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0395 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, D A DAVIDSON & CO, BEN. OWNER OF THE ROCKIES FUND INC. (TICKER: ROCF), BOUGHT 1,680 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90228c0396 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, D A DAVIDSON & CO, BEN. OWNER OF THE ROCKIES FUND INC. (TICKER: ROCF), BOUGHT 3,450 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 254,070.

-30- 335
#90228c0397 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, LAWRENCE R HELFAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,025.

-30- 372
#90228c0398 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, PHILIP LONDON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STAGE II APPAREL CORP. (TICKER: SA), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296

#90228c0399 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, PHILIP LONDON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STAGE II APPAREL CORP. (TICKER: SA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 221,721.

-30- 339
#90228c0400 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, RAYMOND A KETCHLEDGE, PRES. OF SANDY CORP. (TICKER: SDY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 308
#90228c0401 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, PRES. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90228c0403 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, PRES. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90228c0404 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, PRES. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90228c0405 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, PRES. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90228c0406 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, PRES. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,550.

-30- 319
#90228c0407 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, THOMAS C SANDERS, PRES. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,200.

-30- 320
#90228c0408 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, MELLON BANK NA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $39.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90228c0409 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JAMES J KERINS, OFFICER OF SILICON VALLEY BANCSHARES (TICKER: SIVB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,334.

-30- 337
#90228c0411 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, WINSTON H CHEN, PRES. OF SOLECTRON CORP. (TICKER: SLTN), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90228c0412 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WINSTON H CHEN, PRES. OF SOLECTRON CORP. (TICKER: SLTN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90228c0413 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, WARD N KIRBY, VP OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: SMGS), BOUGHT 102 SHARES AT $10.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,005.

-30- 344
#90228c0414 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, EMORY O CUNNINGHAM, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 446 SHARES AT $17.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,059.

-30- 311
#90228c0415 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, W KENDRICK UPCHURCH JR, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,721.

-30- 319
#90228c0416 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, RICHARD K RAPPLEYE, DIR. OF STONERIDGE RESOURCE INC. (TICKER: SRE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,950.

-30- 323
#90228c0417 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, HARVEY G KNELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STOR FURNISHINGS INTL INC. (TICKER: STOR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90228c0419 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, HARVEY G KNELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STOR FURNISHINGS INTL INC. (TICKER: STOR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90228c0420 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, HARVEY G KNELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STOR FURNISHINGS INTL INC. (TICKER: STOR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,302,069.

-30- 357
#90228c0421 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, GARY L SCHAUGAARD, DIR. OF STOR FURNISHINGS INTL INC. (TICKER: STOR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90228c0422 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, GARY L SCHAUGAARD, DIR. OF STOR FURNISHINGS INTL INC. (TICKER: STOR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90228c0423 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, GARY L SCHAUGAARD, DIR. OF STOR FURNISHINGS INTL INC. (TICKER: STOR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90228c0424 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, GARY L SCHAUGAARD, DIR. OF STOR FURNISHINGS INTL INC. (TICKER: STOR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING

INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,302,069.

-30- 341
#90228c0425 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JOSEPH A DEERKOSKI, DIR. OF SUFFOLK BANCORP. (TICKER: SUBK), BOUGHT 121 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,679.

-30- 316
#90228c0427 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, EDGAR F GOODALE, DIR. OF SUFFOLK BANCORP. (TICKER: SUBK), BOUGHT 348 SHARES AT $10.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90228c0428 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JOHN VIDA, SHAREHOLDER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 108,700 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,116,802.

-30- 306
#90228c0429 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ROBERT E JOHNSON, VP OF THE STANLEY WORKS (TICKER: SWK), SOLD 1,042 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,457.

-30- 306
#90228c0430 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, STEPHEN S WEDDLE, VP OF THE STANLEY WORKS (TICKER: SWK), SOLD 1,550 SHARES AT $35.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50.

-30- 302

#90228c0431 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, PAUL F FERRARI, VP OF THERMO CARDIOSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TCA), SOLD 437 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 314
#90228c0432 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, STEVEN T HENICK, SHAREHOLDER OF TAMBRANDS INC. (TICKER: TMB), SOLD 1,600 SHARES AT $84.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90228c0433 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, STEVEN T HENICK, SHAREHOLDER OF TAMBRANDS INC. (TICKER: TMB), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $84.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90228c0435 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, TOMMY H CARTER, DIR. OF T2 MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: TSQM), SOLD 59,646 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,027.

-30- 307
#90228c0436 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JAMES L HOLLOWAY III, DIR. OF UNC INC. (TICKER: UNC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 297
#90228c0437 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, DAVID C OLFE, VP OF THE VALSPAR CORP. (TICKER: VAL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $38.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,551.

-30- 293
#90228c0438 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JOHAN A WASSENAAR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VIDMARK INC. (TICKER: VDMK), SOLD 20,250 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 367,547.

-30- 334
#90228c0439 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90228c0440 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90228c0441 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90228c0443 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90228c0444 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, EDWARD HOROWITZ, VP OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA),

BOUGHT 410 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 410.

-30- 286
#90228c0445 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT D SZNEWAJS, VP OF VALLEY NATIONAL CORP.(AZ) (TICKER: VNCP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 319
#90228c0446 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, CARL W YODER, VP OF VALLEY NATIONAL CORP.(AZ) (TICKER: VNCP), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 307
#90228c0447 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, KENNETH E CRAWFORD, VP OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC. (TICKER: WHLS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90228c0448 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JOHN F GEISSE, CHAIRMAN OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC. (TICKER: WHLS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90228c0449 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JOHN F GEISSE, CHAIRMAN OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC. (TICKER: WHLS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 499,028.

-30- 322
#90228c0451 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, THOMAS D NUGENT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC. (TICKER: WHLS), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 748.

-30- 333
#90228c0452 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, THOMAS P SEAY, VP OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $31.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,436.

-30- 307
#90228c0453 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JACK C SHEWMAKER, DIR. OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $35.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90228c0454 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JACK C SHEWMAKER, DIR. OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90228c0455 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JACK C SHEWMAKER, DIR. OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $35.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90228c0456 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JACK C SHEWMAKER, DIR. OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,225,432.

-30- 324
#90228c0457 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, COLON WASHBURN, VP OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $32.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90228c0459 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JOHN P NEAFSEY, DIR. OF WEST CO. (TICKER: WST), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 287
#90228c0460 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, PATRICK H ONEILL, DIR. OF ZEMEX CORP. (TICKER: ZMX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,143.

-30- 295
#90228c0461 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FIRST COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL CORP: J.I. WHALLEY, DIR., SELLS 3,070 SHARES

FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 3, 1990, J.I. WHALLEY JR, DIR. OF FIRST COMMONWEALTH FINL CORP. SOLD 3,070 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,930.

-30- 336
#90228c0462 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, H.B. TROUTMAN, DIR. OF S.Y. BANCORP INC. SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90228c0463 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 13, 1990, H.B. TROUTMAN, DIR. OF S.Y. BANCORP INC. SOLD 500 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90228c0464 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, H.B. TROUTMAN, DIR. OF S.Y. BANCORP INC. SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 292
#90228c0465 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, T.B. FINAN JR, DIR. OF WM BANCORP. BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $32.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,561.

-30- 277
#90228c0467 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF TRILLING MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: BURN) BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,298,477.

-30- 367
#90228c0468 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 29, 1990, S&S NEWPARK VENTURES LP, BEN. OWNER OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. BOUGHT 14,566,987 SHARES AT $0.11 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90228c0469 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 29, 1990, S&S NEWPARK VENTURES LP, BEN. OWNER OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. BOUGHT 16,525,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,186,688.

-30- 366

#90228c0470 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 29, 1990, P.S. SASSOWER, CHAIRMAN OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. BOUGHT 14,566,987 SHARES AT $0.11 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90228c0471 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 29, 1990, P.S. SASSOWER, CHAIRMAN OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. BOUGHT 16,525,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,186,688.

-30- 343
#90228c0472 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 29, 1990, L.I. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. BOUGHT 14,566,987 SHARES AT $0.11 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90228c0473 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 29, 1990, L.I. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. BOUGHT 16,525,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,186,688.

-30- 336
#90228c0475 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 13, 1990, A. ALYASSINI, PRES. OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NPSI) BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90228c0476 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 27, 1990, A. ALYASSINI, PRES. OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NPSI) BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $0.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90228c0477 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, A. ALYASSINI, PRES. OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NPSI) BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,058,623.

-30- 342
#90228c0478 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, GLOBAL FINANCIAL RES LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NPSI) BOUGHT 23,000 SHARES AT $0.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90228c0479 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 13, 1990, GLOBAL FINANCIAL RES LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NPSI) BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c0480 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 27, 1990, GLOBAL FINANCIAL RES LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NPSI) BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $0.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c0481 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, GLOBAL FINANCIAL RES LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NPSI) BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,058,623.

-30- 365
#90228c0483 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 24, 1990, F.N. STEPHENS, VP OF UNITED ARTISTS COMMUNICATIONS INC. SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,399.

-30- 326
#90228c0484 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 13, 1990, J.E. CAMPBELL III, DIR. OF VOLUNTEER BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: VOLB) BOUGHT 2,621 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,873.

-30- 329
#90228c0485 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, D.L. MARTINDALE, DIR. OF VOLUNTEER BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: VOLB) BOUGHT 1,468 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,049.

-30- 331
#90228c0486 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 17, 1990, J.E. BROUSSEAU, SHAREHOLDER OF WESTERN GOLD MINING INC. (TICKER: WSGM) SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90228c0487 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 17, 1990, N.A. LAMB, OFFICER OF WESTERN GOLD MINING INC. (TICKER: WSGM) SOLD 193,800 SHARES AT $0.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 323
#90228c0488 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 30, 1990, J.M. SESHENS, DIR. OF ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: ICGN), SOLD 26,450 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 57,471.

-30- 318
#90228c0489 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 1, 1990, J.R. PERRETTE, CHAIRMAN OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), BOUGHT 22,857 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,843,445.

-30- 319
#90228c0491 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, J.R. PERRETTE, CHAIRMAN OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), BOUGHT 161,340 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90228c0492 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, J.R. PERRETTE, CHAIRMAN OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), BOUGHT 64,477 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90228c0493 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 27, 1990, J.T. MORTON, VP OF MORGAN GRENFELL SMALLCAP FUND INC. (TICKER: MGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 152,600.

-30- 337
#90228c0494 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 24, 1990, W.R. MCDAVID, DIR. OF NATIONAL BANC OF COMMERCE CO. (TICKER: NBCC), BOUGHT 180 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90228c0495 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, W.R. MCDAVID, DIR. OF NATIONAL BANC OF COMMERCE CO. (TICKER: NBCC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 273,063.

-30- 334
#90228c0496 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 17, 1990, T.W. WATHEN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PINKERTON'S INC. (TICKER: PKTN), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,390,623.

-30- 364
#90228c0497 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, T.W. WATHEN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PINKERTON'S INC. (TICKER: PKTN), SOLD 80,000 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,310,623.

-30- 361
#90228c0499 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, G. BURBURAN, BEN. OWNER OF THE STEPHAN CO. (TICKER: STCP), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,970.

-30- 313
#90228c0500 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, J.H. MORGAN JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF UTAH RESOURCES INTERN INC BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 681,235.

-30- 341
#90228c0501 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 5, 1990, W.A. HINES, DIR. OF WHITNEY HOLDING CORP. BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90228c0502 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, W.A. HINES, DIR. OF WHITNEY HOLDING CORP. BOUGHT 27,500 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90228c0503 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, W.A. HINES, DIR. OF WHITNEY HOLDING CORP. BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $39.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90228c0504 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, W.A. HINES, DIR. OF WHITNEY HOLDING CORP. BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90228c0505 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W. MINNS OF 4778 EAST GETTYSBURG ST, FRESNO, CA 93726, HAS FILED TO SELL 300,000 SHARES OF MARITIME RESORTS INTL THROUGH BARRETT DAY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 27, 1990.

(MARITIME RESORTS INTL TEL: 619 233-3153)

-30- 409
#90228c0507 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E.R. PEARSON OF 735 OAKMOUNT AVE #1001, LAS VEGAS, NV 89109, HAS FILED TO SELL 58,000 SHARES OF KING NATIONAL CORP. THROUGH ALLIANCE SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 26, 1990.

(KING NATIONAL CORP. TEL: 302 764-6414)

-30- 402
#90228c0508 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.G KOEHNEMANN OF 2256 W LINDNER #29, MESA, AZ 85202, HAS FILED TO SELL 56,000 SHARES OF MACLAND INC. THROUGH RICHFIELD SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 10, 1990.

(MACLAND INC. TEL: 602 820-5802)

-30- 383
#90228c0509 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.A. ALVAREZ OF 6838 LEMON RD, MCLEAN, VA 22101, HAS FILED TO SELL 147,625 SHARES OF AVIATION EDUCATION SYS INC. (TICKER: AES) THROUGH F N WOLF & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(AVIATION EDUCATION SYS INC. TEL: 516 293-5400)

-30- 430
#90228c0510 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C. BROGDON OF 655 COLEBROOK COURT, ATLANTA, GA 30327, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,038 SHARES OF TOUCH INDUSTRIES INC. THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(TOUCH INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 404 426-1144)

-30- 392
#90228c0511 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G. CLOETENS OF 8421 TOP OF THE WORLD DR, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84121, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF GLOBAL PLATINUM & GOLD INC. (TICKER: GPGD) THROUGH DOUGLAS BREMEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(GLOBAL PLATINUM & GOLD INC. TEL: 801 943-6884)

-30- 452
#90228c0512 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E. MICCICHE OF 300 E MANTUT AVE, WENONAH, NJ 08090, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,611 SHARES OF REGAL COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: RCOM) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(REGAL COMMUNICATIONS CORP. TEL: 215 643-6300)

-30- 435
#90228c0513 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H.W. GORDEN OF 5291 NORTH MESA DR, CASTLE ROCK, CO 80104, HAS FILED TO SELL 500,000 SHARES OF ENERCORP INC. (TICKER: ENEI) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(ENERCORP INC. TEL: 303 796-8940)

-30- 403
#90228c0515 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHEYENNE INVESTMENT CO OF 1247 MOYLE DR, ALPINE, UT 84004, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF MEDIZONE INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: MZEI) THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(MEDIZONE INTERNATIONAL INC TEL: 212 421-0303)

-30- 437
#90228c0516 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANABASIS INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP OF 15 WEST 53RD STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10019, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,130 SHARES OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO. (TICKER: SDEV) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO. TEL: 617 337-0877)

-30- 468
#90228c0517 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P. LAMOTTE OF 19 WING SHELL LANE, HILTON HEAD, SC 29926, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF COLLEGE BOUND INC. (TICKER: CLBD) THROUGH SMITH

BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 9, 1990.

(COLLEGE BOUND INC. TEL: 305 587-9110)

-30- 403
#90228c0518 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOSP ASSN PROGRAM DEV CHILDRENS OF 1056 EAST 19TH AVE, DENVER, CO 80218, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF SAN JUAN FIBERGLASS POOLS INC. THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(SAN JUAN FIBERGLASS POOLS INC. TEL: 714 652-9720)

-30- 460
#90228c0519 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C. LEDBETTER OF 326 BENEFIT ST, PROVIDENCE, RI 02903, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF NYVATEX OIL CORP. (TICKER: NYVA) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(NYVATEX OIL CORP. TEL: 406 252-3429)

-30- 411
#90228c0520 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, THOMAS JAMES TAYLOR, VP OF ALUMINUM CO. OF AMERICA (TICKER: AA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $69.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,756.

-30- 320
#90228c0521 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, DENNIS R GRAVES, VP OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,264.

-30- 302
#90228c0523 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, GERALD R RUDD, OFFICER OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 144,542.

-30- 312
#90228c0524 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, THOMAS R SALDIN, VP OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90228c0525 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, THOMAS R SALDIN, VP OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $36.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,916.

-30- 299
#90228c0526 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, TRUMAN T SEMANS, DIR. OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 118,035.

-30- 327
#90228c0527 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, TRUMAN T SEMANS, DIR. OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), SOLD 19,260 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90228c0528 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, BEVERLY L WRIGHT, OFFICER OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 111,124.

-30- 331
#90228c0529 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, KENNETH G WOODRING, VP OF ASHLAND COAL INC. (TICKER: ACI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 311
#90228c0531 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, MICHAEL C BARTH, DIV. OFFICER OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $12.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 330,000.

-30- 347
#90228c0532 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JAMES O EDWARDS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $12.71 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 320,000.

-30- 357
#90228c0533 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, WILLIAM C STITT, PRES. OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $12.71 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 470,000.

-30- 333
#90228c0534 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, BERNICE E LAVIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90228c0535 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, BERNICE E LAVIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 26,200 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90228c0536 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, LEONARD H LAVIN, CHAIRMAN OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90228c0537 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, LEONARD H LAVIN, CHAIRMAN OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 26,200 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 844,770.

-30- 322
#90228c0539 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,820,299.

-30- 341
#90228c0540 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WILLIAM J NEWCOMB, OFFICER OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 305
#90228c0541 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, H RANDALL LITTEN, PRES. OF ATLANTIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGH), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90228c0542 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, H RANDALL LITTEN, PRES. OF ATLANTIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGH), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,295.

-30- 312
#90228c0543 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, EARL W POWELL, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 451,093.

-30- 322
#90228c0544 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, KEITH A TUCKER, DIR. OF ATLANTIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,124.

-30- 312
#90228c0545 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, KEITH A TUCKER, DIR. OF ATLANTIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGH), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90228c0547 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, BARBARA P WRIGHT, DIR. OF ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: AIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 767,888.

-30- 324
#90228c0548 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, EDWARD R FINCH, DIR. OF AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: AIPN), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90228c0549 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, EDWARD R FINCH, DIR. OF AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: AIPN), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $1.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0550 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, EDWARD R FINCH, DIR. OF AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: AIPN), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0551 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, EDWARD R FINCH, DIR. OF AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: AIPN), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $1.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0552 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, EDWARD R FINCH, DIR. OF AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: AIPN), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 355,000.

-30- 331
#90228c0553 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), BOUGHT 1,023 SHARES AT $35.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90228c0555 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), BOUGHT 19,670 SHARES AT $33.46 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,348,975.

-30- 356
#90228c0556 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), SOLD 6,053 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90228c0557 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), SOLD 2,615 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90228c0558 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JEROME A MATTINGLY, PRES. OF AMERICAN BIONETICS INC. (TICKER: AMBI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 346
#90228c0559 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, MARVIN D BURKETT, VP OF ADVANCED MICRO DEVICES INC. (TICKER: AMD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,554.

-30- 329
#90228c0560 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90228c0561 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90228c0563 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, NEIL E RASMUSSEN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 355
#90228c0564 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, NEIL E RASMUSSEN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC), SOLD 11,500 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 319,316.

-30- 394
#90228c0565 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOHN M LILLIE, PRES. OF AMERICAN PRESIDENT COMPANIES (TICKER: APS), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $21.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90228c0566 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOHN M LILLIE, PRES. OF AMERICAN PRESIDENT COMPANIES (TICKER: APS), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $21.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90228c0567 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, JOHN M LILLIE, PRES. OF AMERICAN PRESIDENT COMPANIES

(TICKER: APS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 328
#90228c0568 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JOHN A CRICHTON, DIR. OF ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. (TICKER: ARSD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90228c0569 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOHN A CRICHTON, DIR. OF ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. (TICKER: ARSD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 184,546.

-30- 341
#90228c0571 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, ATKINSON TRUSTEE ERP, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90228c0572 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, ATKINSON TRUSTEE ERP, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90228c0573 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ATKINSON TRUSTEE ERP, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90228c0574 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ATKINSON TRUSTEE ERP, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90228c0575 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, SUSAN T MANKOWSKI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN TRAVELLERS CORP. (TICKER: ATVC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.54 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,400.

-30- 358
#90228c0576 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, JOHN A POWELL, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN TRAVELLERS CORP. (TICKER: ATVC), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $16.54 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 214,160.

-30- 335
#90228c0577 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, A/J PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF AVON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: AVP), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $37.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,478,600.

-30- 324
#90228c0579 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, STANLEY S THUNE, OFFICER OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 3,383 SHARES AT $25.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,617.

-30- 339
#90228c0580 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, PAUL R WOOD, DIR. OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 157,535 SHARES AT $26.72 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 159,965.

-30- 337
#90228c0581 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, MICHAEL S HESCHEL, SHAREHOLDER OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,439.

-30- 333
#90228c0582 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JOHN J LOUIS JR, DIR. OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90228c0583 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, WILLIAM A SCHMIDT, SHAREHOLDER OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90228c0584 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, WILLIAM A SCHMIDT, SHAREHOLDER OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,261.

-30- 334
#90228c0585 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JAMES L LEUTHE, CHAIRMAN OF BETHLEHEM CORP. (TICKER: BET), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $3.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,471.

-30- 313
#90228c0587 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JAMES L LEUTHE, CHAIRMAN OF BETHLEHEM CORP. (TICKER: BET), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $3.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 141,793.

-30- 316
#90228c0588 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1987, JAMES L LEUTHE, CHAIRMAN OF BETHLEHEM CORP. (TICKER: BET), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90228c0589 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, A JOHN MAY, DIR. OF BETHLEHEM CORP. (TICKER: BET), BOUGHT 2,380 SHARES AT $3.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,990.

-30- 298
#90228c0590 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, SERGIO G SARDINIA, OFFICER OF BISCAYNE HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: BHA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 328
#90228c0591 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JOHN M HARBERT III, DIR. OF BIRMINGHAM STEEL CORP. (TICKER: BIR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 536,150.

-30- 327
#90228c0592 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, LEBLANC DEBORAH J ARMANINO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,664,048.

-30- 382
#90228c0593 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, LINDA A ARMANINO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE), SOLD 137,000 SHARES AT $0.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,524,498.

-30- 376
#90228c0595 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JOHN J MICEK III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE), SOLD 35,708 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,109,703.

-30- 367
#90228c0596 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, JERRY L MILLER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0597 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, JERRY L MILLER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0598 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, JERRY L MILLER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0599 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, JERRY L MILLER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0600 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, JERRY L MILLER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 610,175.

-30- 332
#90228c0601 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, WARREN D PERSAVICH, SHAREHOLDER OF BANNER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BNR), SOLD 47,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0603 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, EUGENE L BARNETT, CHAIRMAN OF THE BRAND COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BRAN), SOLD 4,662 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0604 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, EUGENE L BARNETT, CHAIRMAN OF THE BRAND COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BRAN), SOLD 1,064 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,754.

-30- 330
#90228c0605 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA N A, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 825 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90228c0606 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA N A, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 187 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90228c0607 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA N A, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,387 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90228c0608 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA N A, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90228c0609 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA N A, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,762 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,429,505.

-30- 349
#90228c0611 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, BANKERS TRUST NY CORP TTE ESIP, BEN. OWNER OF BANKERS TRUST NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: BT), SOLD 22,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 350
#90228c0612 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 166,666 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,702,047.

-30- 365
#90228c0613 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, CHARLES RIVER PARTNERSHIP IV, BEN. OWNER OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 251,578.

-30- 342
#90228c0614 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, RICHARD A FITCH, VP OF CALFED INC. (TICKER: CAL), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 293
#90228c0615 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, WILLIAM J FITZPATRICK, VP OF CALFED INC. (TICKER: CAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,716.

-30- 304
#90228c0616 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JAMES F HURLEY, VP OF CALFED INC. (TICKER: CAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90228c0617 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JAMES F HURLEY, VP OF CALFED INC. (TICKER: CAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,900.

-30- 290
#90228c0619 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, WILLIAM E MCKENNA, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC. (TICKER: CAMP), BOUGHT 75,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,000.

-30- 332
#90228c0620 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DAVID R NICHOLS, PRES. OF CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC. (TICKER: CAMP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 241,420.

-30- 334
#90228c0621 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, MORTON A COHN, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90228c0622 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, MORTON A COHN, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90228c0623 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, MORTON A COHN, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90228c0624 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MORTON A COHN, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90228c0625 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MORTON A COHN, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90228c0627 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, PHILIP C HANKINS, DIR. OF CAMBEX CORP. (TICKER: CBEX), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90228c0628 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, PHILIP C HANKINS, DIR. OF CAMBEX CORP. (TICKER: CBEX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90228c0629 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, PHILIP C HANKINS, DIR. OF CAMBEX CORP. (TICKER: CBEX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90228c0630 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, PHILIP C HANKINS, DIR. OF CAMBEX CORP. (TICKER: CBEX), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90228c0631 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, PHILIP C HANKINS, DIR. OF CAMBEX CORP. (TICKER: CBEX), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90228c0632 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, PHILIP C HANKINS, DIR. OF CAMBEX CORP. (TICKER: CBEX), SOLD 20,963 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,538.

-30- 303
#90228c0633 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, HARRY BRENER, CHAIRMAN OF CABOT MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: CBOT), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90228c0635 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, HARRY BRENER, CHAIRMAN OF CABOT MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: CBOT), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90228c0636 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, HARRY BRENER, CHAIRMAN OF CABOT MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: CBOT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,028,380.

-30- 321
#90228c0637 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, RICHARD L UNGER, DIR. OF CCNB CORP. (TICKER: CCNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,410.

-30- 296
#90228c0638 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90228c0639 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $27.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90228c0640 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $27.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90228c0641 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90228c0643 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90228c0644 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90228c0645 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90228c0646 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90228c0647 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 398,137.

-30- 340
#90228c0648 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, STEPHEN B BYER, VP OF CIRCLE FINE ART CORP. (TICKER: CFNE), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90228c0649 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, STEPHEN B BYER, VP OF CIRCLE FINE ART CORP. (TICKER: CFNE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 311
#90228c0651 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, JOHN L WEINBERG, DIR. OF CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CHA), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $29.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288

#90228c0652 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JOHN L WEINBERG, DIR. OF CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CHA), SOLD 3,900 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0653 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, DIR. OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90228c0654 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, DIR. OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 865,000.

-30- 333
#90228c0655 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ARTHUR J NAGLE, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,000.

-30- 325
#90228c0656 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, OLIVER W BIRKHEAD, DIR. OF THE CINCINNATI GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: CIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 342
#90228c0657 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JOHN SLOTTERBACK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF C.I.S.TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CISI), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $4.64 PER

SHARE.

-30- 315
#90228c0659 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ALAN S MCKIM, CHAIRMAN OF CLEAN HARBORS INC. (TICKER: CLHB), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90228c0660 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, ALAN S MCKIM, CHAIRMAN OF CLEAN HARBORS INC. (TICKER: CLHB), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $7.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,332,282.

-30- 320
#90228c0661 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, H LAURANCE FULLER, DIR. OF THE CHASE MANHATTAN CORP. (TICKER: CMB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 323
#90228c0662 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1988, WARREN C COOK, DIR. OF CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. (TICKER: CMFB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 230,740.

-30- 318
#90228c0663 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1989, WARREN C COOK, DIR. OF CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. (TICKER: CMFB), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 208,203.

-30- 318

#90228c0664 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 17, 1989, WARREN C COOK, DIR. OF CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. (TICKER: CMFB), SOLD 44,800 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 119,453.

-30- 318
#90228c0665 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 22, 1990, WARREN C COOK, DIR. OF CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. (TICKER: CMFB), SOLD 44,900 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 74,553.

-30- 317
#90228c0667 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, GARY H VANDEMARK, VP OF CALIFORNIA MICROWAVE INC. (TICKER: CMIC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90228c0668 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, FINIS CONNER, CHAIRMAN OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR), SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT $25.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,849,000.

-30- 334
#90228c0669 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, WILLIAM J SCHROEDER, DIR. OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR), SOLD 1,160 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90228c0670 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, WILLIAM J SCHROEDER, DIR. OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $28.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90228c0671 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, WILLIAM J SCHROEDER, DIR. OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90228c0672 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, WILLIAM J SCHROEDER, DIR. OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90228c0673 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, WILLIAM J SCHROEDER, DIR. OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $26.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90228c0675 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, WILLIAM J SCHROEDER, DIR. OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,800.

-30- 329
#90228c0676 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, JOHN P SQUIRES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,530,000.

-30- 353
#90228c0677 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, VINCENT R ZURAWSKI, VP OF CENTOCOR INC. (TICKER: CNTO), SOLD 1,870 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,800.

-30- 304
#90228c0678 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JAMES P CLUCHEY, VP OF COGNOS INC. (TICKER: COGN), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90228c0679 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JAMES P CLUCHEY, VP OF COGNOS INC. (TICKER: COGN), SOLD 11,162 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,355.

-30- 295
#90228c0680 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JEFFREY H BROTMAN, CHAIRMAN OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $47.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0681 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JEFFREY H BROTMAN, CHAIRMAN OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $47.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90228c0683 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, KENNETH W MILLER, DIR. OF CERPROBE CORP. (TICKER: CRPB), BOUGHT 38,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124,736.

-30- 307
#90228c0684 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHARLES N MARSHALL, OFFICER OF CONSOLIDATED RAIL CORP. (TICKER: CRR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $48.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90228c0685 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ANDREW F OEHMANN, DIR. OF CHAMPIONS SPORTS INC. (TICKER: CSBR), SOLD 2,500,000 SHARES AT $0.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,090,000.

-30- 331
#90228c0686 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ELIZABETH E BAILEY, DIR. OF CSX CORP. (TICKER: CSX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90228c0687 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ELIZABETH E BAILEY, DIR. OF CSX CORP. (TICKER: CSX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 290
#90228c0688 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, WOODRUFF M PRICE, VP OF CSX CORP. (TICKER: CSX), SOLD 2,073 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,786.

-30- 286
#90228c0689 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, CHARLES B CUSHWA III, DIR. OF COMMERCIAL INTERTECH CORP. (TICKER: CTEK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,298.

-30- 332
#90228c0691 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, PAUL J POWERS, CHAIRMAN OF COMMERCIAL INTERTECH CORP. (TICKER: CTEK), SOLD 670 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90228c0692 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, HARVEY A BOOKSTEIN, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90228c0693 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, HARVEY A BOOKSTEIN, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90228c0694 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, HARVEY A BOOKSTEIN, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90228c0695 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, HARVEY A BOOKSTEIN, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,000.

-30- 322
#90228c0696 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 07, 1986, JAMES J KERLEY, DIR. OF CETUS CORP. (TICKER: CTUS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 290
#90228c0697 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, BRYAN R GRUMMON, PRES. OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP. (TICKER: DGSD), BOUGHT 1,125 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 164,755.

-30- 317
#90228c0699 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JOHN J KENNEDY, VP OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP. (TICKER: DGSD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 310
#90228c0700 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WENDELL W RITCHEY, VP OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP. (TICKER: DGSD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 311
#90228c0701 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, THOMAS E DONNELLEY II, VP OF DONNELLEY (R.R.) & SONS CO. (TICKER: DNY), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $43.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,083.

-30- 338
#90228c0702 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, THOMAS E DONNELLEY II, VP OF DONNELLEY (R.R.) & SONS CO. (TICKER: DNY), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $43.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,460,880.

-30- 343
#90228c0703 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, WAYNE M HANCOCK, VP OF DOW CHEMICAL CO. (TICKER: DOW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,132.

-30- 306
#90228c0704 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 3,203 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 634,254.

-30- 357
#90228c0705 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, LAWRENCE R VERY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF EASTLAND FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: EAFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,242.

-30- 346
#90228c0707 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN R DOLAN, VP OF EG & G INC. (TICKER: EGG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $39.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,139.

-30- 288
#90228c0708 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, CARMEN C SUMMERS, DIR. OF EL CHICO CORP. (TICKER: ELCH), SOLD 116,367 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 247.

-30- 305
#90228c0709 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, DAVID L WHITE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ENTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: ENTC), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 1,292,250.

-30- 334
#90228c0710 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, NEAL E YOUNG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ENTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: ENTC), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,292,250.

-30- 333
#90228c0711 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, DOUGLAS C STRAIN, DIR. OF ELECTRO SCIENTIFIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ESIO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,883.

-30- 335
#90228c0712 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, DOTSON R GUINN, DIV. OFFICER OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90228c0713 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, DOTSON R GUINN, DIV. OFFICER OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 2,233 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90228c0715 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, DANIEL C ROHR, DIV. OFFICER OF FIRST BANK SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FBS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 331
#90228c0716 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, FOOTE CONE & BELDING ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF FOOTE CONE & BELDING COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: FCB), BOUGHT 24,973 SHARES AT $25.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,489,498.

-30- 398
#90228c0717 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CHARLES F SMITH, DIR. OF FIRSTFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FED), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,500.

-30- 328
#90228c0718 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JAMES E FERLAND, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 347
#90228c0719 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 01, 1990, THRIFT SVGS ESOT FMC, BEN. OWNER OF FMC CORP. (TICKER: FMC), BOUGHT 14,907 SHARES AT $33.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90228c0720 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, THRIFT SVGS ESOT FMC, BEN. OWNER OF FMC CORP. (TICKER: FMC), BOUGHT 15,117 SHARES AT $33.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,630,770.

-30- 314
#90228c0721 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, WILLIAM J KIRBY, VP OF FMC CORP. (TICKER: FMC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $35.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,447.

-30- 286
#90228c0723 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM F FARAH, DIR. OF FARAH INC. (TICKER: FRA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90228c0724 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WILLIAM F FARAH, DIR. OF FARAH INC. (TICKER: FRA), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90228c0725 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WILLIAM F FARAH, DIR. OF FARAH INC. (TICKER: FRA), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90228c0726 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, WILLIAM F FARAH, DIR. OF FARAH INC. (TICKER: FRA), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90228c0727 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, WILLIAM F FARAH, DIR. OF FARAH INC. (TICKER: FRA), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90228c0728 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, WILLIAM F FARAH, DIR. OF FARAH INC. (TICKER: FRA), SOLD 3,800 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90228c0729 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, WILLIAM F FARAH, DIR. OF FARAH INC. (TICKER: FRA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90228c0731 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, WILLIAM F FARAH, DIR. OF FARAH INC. (TICKER: FRA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90228c0732 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, WILLIAM F FARAH, DIR. OF FARAH INC. (TICKER: FRA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90228c0733 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, WILLIAM F FARAH, DIR. OF FARAH INC. (TICKER: FRA), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90228c0734 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, LEE E MCINTYRE, BEN. OWNER OF FREMONT GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: FRMT), SOLD 16,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,512,187.

-30- 339
#90228c0735 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, GEORGE F PATTERSON, DIR. OF FULTON FINANCIAL CORP.

(TICKER: FULT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,833.

-30- 329
#90228c0736 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 04, 1990, EDWARD J CAMPBELL, DIR. OF GLOBAL MARINE INC. (TICKER: GLM), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90228c0737 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, EDWARD J CAMPBELL, DIR. OF GLOBAL MARINE INC. (TICKER: GLM), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $4.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,559.

-30- 314
#90228c0739 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, GENERAL MOTORS SVGS TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 66,885 SHARES AT $35.39 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90228c0740 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, GENERAL MOTORS SVGS TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 161,989 SHARES AT $21.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90228c0741 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90228c0742 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,134,900.

-30- 360
#90228c0743 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, RICK R PINSON, OFFICER OF GOAL SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GOAL), SOLD 1,667 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,333.

-30- 333
#90228c0744 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, OIL NL LENNARD, BEN. OWNER OF GIANT PACIFIC PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: GPPX), SOLD 5,365,600 SHARES AT $0.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90228c0745 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JOHN L WEINBERG, DIR. OF THE GOODRICH (B.F.) CO. (TICKER: GR), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90228c0747 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JOHN L WEINBERG, DIR. OF THE GOODRICH (B.F.) CO. (TICKER: GR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90228c0748 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JOHN L WEINBERG, DIR. OF THE GOODRICH (B.F.) CO. (TICKER: GR), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $41.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 279

#90228c0749 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JOHN L WEINBERG, DIR. OF THE GOODRICH (B.F.) CO. (TICKER: GR), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $41.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90228c0750 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90228c0751 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90228c0752 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0753 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90228c0755 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285

#90228c0756 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90228c0757 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0758 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0759 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0760 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0761 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 287

#90228c0763 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0764 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0765 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0766 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0767 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0768 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE.

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#90228c0769 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0771 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0772 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0773 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0774 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0775 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 287

#90228c0776 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 21,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,740,500.

-30- 327
#90228c0777 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90228c0779 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.17 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90228c0780 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $0.17 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90228c0781 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.17 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90228c0782 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90228c0783 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90228c0784 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 70,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 965,189.

-30- 370
#90228c0785 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, WALTER C BARBER, PRES. OF GROUNDWATER TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GWTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 333
#90228c0787 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, DAVID HIMICK, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANKCORP INC. (TICKER: HEBC), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 96,280.

-30- 317
#90228c0788 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, GARY L LARKINS, PRES. OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,020.

-30- 332
#90228c0789 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, RIT CAPITAL PARTNERS PLC, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90228c0790 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, RIT CAPITAL PARTNERS PLC, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 622,800.

-30- 345
#90228c0791 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, STEVEN E WOLIS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE KEITH GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: HKME), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,500.

-30- 339
#90228c0792 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, ALAN D HAMBERLIN, CHAIRMAN OF HOMEPLEX MORTGAGE INVTS CORP. (TICKER: HPX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90228c0793 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ALAN D HAMBERLIN, CHAIRMAN OF HOMEPLEX MORTGAGE INVTS CORP. (TICKER: HPX), BOUGHT 9,500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,900.

-30- 344
#90228c0795 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, AARON BEAM JR, VP OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291

#90228c0796 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, AARON BEAM JR, VP OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90228c0797 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, AARON BEAM JR, VP OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90228c0798 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, AARON BEAM JR, VP OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC), SOLD 4,667 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90228c0799 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, AARON BEAM JR, VP OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,500.

-30- 330
#90228c0800 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RICHARD S HARDING, CHAIRMAN OF HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: HRDG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,470.

-30- 333
#90228c0801 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, BRIAN D MCLAUGHLIN, PRES. OF HURCO COS. (TICKER: HURC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 306
#90228c0803 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 987,168.

-30- 359
#90228c0804 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90228c0805 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90228c0806 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90228c0807 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90228c0808 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL

BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90228c0809 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90228c0811 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90228c0812 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, CHARLES R WOOD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING CORP. (TICKER: IBCA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 341
#90228c0813 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, CHARLES R WOOD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING CORP. (TICKER: IBCA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 341
#90228c0814 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, CHARLES R WOOD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING CORP. (TICKER: IBCA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,182,500.

-30- 382
#90228c0815 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90228c0816 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90228c0817 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90228c0819 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90228c0820 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90228c0821 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $5.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90228c0822 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,959,979.

-30- 343
#90228c0823 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, LEONARD C PERHAM, PRES. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90228c0824 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, LEONARD C PERHAM, PRES. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90228c0825 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, LEONARD C PERHAM, PRES. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,000.

-30- 345
#90228c0827 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, LEONARD C PERHAM, PRES. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90228c0828 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, LEONARD C PERHAM, PRES. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,088.

-30- 346
#90228c0829 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ARCH B GILBERT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERWEST MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: IMCO), BOUGHT 104,000 SHARES AT $0.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90228c0830 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ARCH B GILBERT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERWEST MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: IMCO), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,184,000.

-30- 350
#90228c0831 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, QUANTUM FUND NV, BEN. OWNER OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), BOUGHT 2,550 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90228c0832 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, QUANTUM FUND NV, BEN. OWNER OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), SOLD 2,550 SHARES AT $34.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 253,500.

-30- 318
#90228c0833 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, RICHARD F GERHART, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: INBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,099.

-30- 339
#90228c0835 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1990, JAMES F WILLENBORG, DIR. OF INMAC CORP. (TICKER: INMC), SOLD 83,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,242,432.

-30- 310
#90228c0836 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ROBERT M AMEN, VP OF INTERNATIONAL PAPER CO. (TICKER: IP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $52.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,079.

-30- 304
#90228c0837 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90228c0838 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 7,087 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90228c0839 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 5,200 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90228c0840 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90228c0841 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,050 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90228c0843 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90228c0844 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 687,741.

-30- 360
#90228c0845 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, TERRY S JACOBS, CHAIRMAN OF JACOR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: JCOR), SOLD 9,095 SHARES AT $3.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90228c0846 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, TERRY S JACOBS, CHAIRMAN OF JACOR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: JCOR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90228c0847 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, TERRY S JACOBS, CHAIRMAN OF JACOR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: JCOR), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $3.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 858,249.

-30- 337
#90228c0848 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 20,543 SHARES AT $61.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90228c0849 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 15,800 SHARES AT $59.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90228c0851 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 39,305 SHARES AT $58.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90228c0852 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 24,662 SHARES AT $58.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90228c0853 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1988, ASSOCIATED MADISON COS INC, BEN. OWNER OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), SOLD 697,368 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90228c0854 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1988, PRIMERICA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), SOLD 697,368 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,409,565.

-30- 336
#90228c0855 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1988, PRIMERICA HOLDINGS INC, BEN. OWNER OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), SOLD 697,368 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90228c0856 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, DENNIS M JONES, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES MEDICAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JMED), SOLD 117,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90228c0857 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, HENRY H GOLDBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), BOUGHT 8,523 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 229,865.

-30- 333
#90228c0859 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JAMES T RHIND, DIR. OF KEWAUNEE SCIENTIFIC CORP. (TICKER: KEQU), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,282.

-30- 324
#90228c0860 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1987, ROBERT E LORENZINI, DIR. OF KLA INSTRUMENTS CORP. (TICKER: KLAC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0861 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 20, 1987, ROBERT E LORENZINI, DIR. OF KLA INSTRUMENTS CORP. (TICKER: KLAC), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 323
#90228c0862 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1987, ROBERT E LORENZINI, DIR. OF KLA INSTRUMENTS CORP. (TICKER: KLAC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 324
#90228c0863 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, SCOTT C CHEN, VP OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,182.

-30- 287
#90228c0864 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, KIMBERLY CLARK EMPLOYEE PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF KIMBERLY-CLARK CORP. (TICKER: KMB), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $73.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90228c0865 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, KIMBERLY CLARK EMPLOYEE PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF KIMBERLY-CLARK CORP. (TICKER: KMB), BOUGHT 6,250 SHARES AT $82.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90228c0867 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 01, 1986, HERBERT A ALLEN, DIR. OF THE COCA-COLA CO. (TICKER: KO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 362,233.

-30- 310
#90228c0868 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, GLENAYRE ELECTRONICS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF KUSTOM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: KUST), BOUGHT 5,351 SHARES AT $4.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90228c0869 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, GLENAYRE ELECTRONICS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF KUSTOM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: KUST), BOUGHT 3,210 SHARES AT $4.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,346,103.

-30- 359
#90228c0870 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF L.A. GEAR INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90228c0871 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF L.A. GEAR INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90228c0872 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF L.A. GEAR INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 2,900 SHARES AT $29.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90228c0873 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF L.A. GEAR INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 12,600 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90228c0875 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF L.A. GEAR INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 12,800 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90228c0876 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF L.A. GEAR INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90228c0877 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF L.A. GEAR INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90228c0878 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF L.A. GEAR INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $29.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90228c0879 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF L.A. GEAR INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,529,700.

-30- 321
#90228c0880 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, LESLIE W HAWORTH, OFFICER OF LAIDLAW INC. (TICKER: LDMF), SOLD 20,250 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90228c0881 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, LESLIE W HAWORTH, OFFICER OF LAIDLAW INC. (TICKER: LDMF), SOLD 30,750 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 312
#90228c0883 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ALEXANDER M LEVINE, DIR. OF LEGGETT & PLATT INC. (TICKER: LEG), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,992.

-30- 323
#90228c0884 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90228c0885 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90228c0886 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF

CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90228c0887 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF
CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90228c0888 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF
CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,900 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90228c0889 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF
CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90228c0891 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, GENERAL ATLANTIC INVESTMENTS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF
LEGENT CORP. (TICKER: LGNT), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE,
BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,804,030.

-30- 350
#90228c0892 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ARTHUR F KNAPP, VP OF LEGENT CORP. (TICKER: LGNT),
SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,289.

-30- 293
#90228c0893 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JOHN W CROGHAN, DIR. OF LINDSAY MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: LINZ), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 330
#90228c0894 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ELLEN DANIEL, DIV. OFFICER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 7,750 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16.

-30- 320
#90228c0895 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT H SWANSON, PRES. OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 541,166.

-30- 331
#90228c0896 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, THOMAS F G LAWSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90228c0897 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, THOMAS F G LAWSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,881,555.

-30- 334
#90228c0899 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, THOMAS F G LAWSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0900 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, THOMAS F G LAWSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90228c0901 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, THOMAS F G LAWSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90228c0902 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, THOMAS F G LAWSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90228c0903 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, THOMAS F G LAWSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 109,975.

-30- 331
#90228c0904 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RODNEY C PERKINS, CHAIRMAN OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 149,234.

-30- 311
#90228c0905 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, HERBERT G TAUS, PRES. OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90228c0907 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, SAMUEL A CANN, SHAREHOLDER OF LUKENS INC. (TICKER: LUC), SOLD 3,200 SHARES AT $41.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90228c0908 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, SAMUEL A CANN, SHAREHOLDER OF LUKENS INC. (TICKER: LUC), SOLD 10,300 SHARES AT $40.89 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90228c0909 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, SAMUEL A CANN, SHAREHOLDER OF LUKENS INC. (TICKER: LUC), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $41.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 309
#90228c0910 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, HUGH E BRADSHAW JR, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,872.

-30- 299
#90228c0911 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, MICHAEL DOOLING, CHAIRMAN OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $22.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90228c0912 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MICHAEL DOOLING, CHAIRMAN OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $22.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 288,690.

-30- 321
#90228c0913 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, GARY R SMITH, VP OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90228c0915 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, HORACE W BERNTON, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0916 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, HORACE W BERNTON, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0917 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 08, 1990, HORACE W BERNTON, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0918 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, HORACE W BERNTON, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0919 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, HORACE W BERNTON, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0920 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, HORACE W BERNTON, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,162.

-30- 330
#90228c0921 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, STANLEY M DAHLMAN, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 331
#90228c0923 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JOHN L FORD, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90228c0924 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JOHN L FORD, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90228c0925 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JOHN L FORD, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 187,452.

-30- 323
#90228c0926 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, KLINE A PRICE JR, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,400.

-30- 332
#90228c0927 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, KLINE A PRICE JR, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90228c0928 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, KLINE A PRICE JR, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90228c0929 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, RICHARD G JOHNS, VP OF MAXCO INC. (TICKER: MAXC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,600.

-30- 289
#90228c0931 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, STEWART B REED, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MESTEK INC. (TICKER: MCC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 629,400.

-30- 319
#90228c0932 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, STANLEY R STEIN, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 14,017 SHARES AT $33.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 10,345.

-30- 313
#90228c0933 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DOUGLAS HAAS, SHAREHOLDER OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90228c0934 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, DOUGLAS HAAS, SHAREHOLDER OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS), SOLD 4,300 SHARES AT $16.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90228c0935 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, DOUGLAS HAAS, SHAREHOLDER OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS), SOLD 3,600 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90228c0936 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, DOUGLAS HAAS, SHAREHOLDER OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $17.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 103,437.

-30- 332
#90228c0937 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ROY C NASH, VP OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCIC), SOLD 4,700 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90228c0939 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90228c0940 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90228c0941 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90228c0942 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90228c0943 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90228c0944 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 1,620,000.

-30- 326
#90228c0945 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GARY C GEASLEN, VP OF MENTOR GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MENT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $15.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90228c0947 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GARY C GEASLEN, VP OF MENTOR GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MENT), SOLD 11,718 SHARES AT $14.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90228c0948 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 25, 1990, EDWIN W STEIDLE, DIR. OF LAWRENCE (MARTIN) LTD EDITIONS INC. (TICKER: MLLE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90228c0949 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, EDWIN W STEIDLE, DIR. OF LAWRENCE (MARTIN) LTD EDITIONS INC. (TICKER: MLLE), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 343
#90228c0950 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, FRED LAMPROPOULOS, PRES. OF MERIT MEDICAL SYS INC. (TICKER: MMSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90228c0951 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, FRED LAMPROPOULOS, PRES. OF MERIT MEDICAL SYS INC. (TICKER: MMSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90228c0952 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, FRED LAMPROPOULOS, PRES. OF MERIT MEDICAL SYS INC. (TICKER: MMSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 823,814.

-30- 331
#90228c0953 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RALPH C MCELVAIN, OFFICER OF MERIT MEDICAL SYS INC. (TICKER: MMSI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,322.

-30- 331
#90228c0955 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, HANS G STORR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MORRIS (PHILIP) COS. (TICKER: MO), SOLD 10,257 SHARES AT $50.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 208,023.

-30- 337
#90228c0956 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, ROXANNE E ISERMAN, OFFICER OF MERRILL CORP. (TICKER: MRLL), SOLD 2,400 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,365.

-30- 308
#90228c0957 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, PAUL D DUKE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MESA MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: MSMD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,746.

-30- 331
#90228c0958 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, HOWARD W HINTON, OFFICER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS

INC. (TICKER: MWGP), SOLD 1,120 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90228c0959 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, WARREN BERMAN, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 15,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90228c0960 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, WARREN BERMAN, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 209,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 529,767.

-30- 322
#90228c0961 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ANTHONY J FRANCHINA, VP OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 334
#90228c0963 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, EMIL SOLIMINE, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0964 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, EMIL SOLIMINE, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0965 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, EMIL SOLIMINE, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0966 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, EMIL SOLIMINE, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0967 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, EMIL SOLIMINE, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0968 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, EMIL SOLIMINE, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 5,032 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0969 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, EMIL SOLIMINE, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0971 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, EMIL SOLIMINE, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90228c0972 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, EMIL SOLIMINE, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 310,516.

-30- 332
#90228c0973 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, EMIL SOLIMINE, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 516 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90228c0974 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, THOMAS B WALKER JR, DIR. OF NCH CORP. (TICKER: NCH), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $55.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90228c0975 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, THOMAS B WALKER JR, DIR. OF NCH CORP. (TICKER: NCH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $55.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90228c0976 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, THOMAS B WALKER JR, DIR. OF NCH CORP. (TICKER: NCH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $55.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 291
#90228c0977 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, DAVID F LAROCHE, BEN. OWNER OF NECO ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: NPT), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90228c0979 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, DAVID F LAROCHE, BEN. OWNER OF NECO ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: NPT), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90228c0980 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, GARY P ARNOLD, DIR. OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: NSM), SOLD 16,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90228c0981 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, GARY P ARNOLD, DIR. OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: NSM), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,350.

-30- 324
#90228c0982 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 07, 1988, LAWRENCE H SHAY, DIR. OF NORTHEAST UTILITIES (TICKER: NU), SOLD 322 SHARES AT $20.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90228c0983 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, EDMOND F BROVELLI JR, DIR. OF NAPA VALLEY BANCORP. (TICKER: NVBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,966.

-30- 330
#90228c0984 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, DWIGHT H MURRAY JR, DIR. OF NAPA VALLEY BANCORP. (TICKER: NVBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 327
#90228c0985 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ANDREW M BODNER, SHAREHOLDER OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90228c0987 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ANDREW M BODNER, SHAREHOLDER OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90228c0988 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ANDREW M BODNER, SHAREHOLDER OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90228c0989 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ANDREW M BODNER, SHAREHOLDER OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90228c0990 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ANDREW M BODNER, SHAREHOLDER OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90228c0991 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ANDREW M BODNER, SHAREHOLDER OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 423,610.

-30- 328
#90228c0992 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, GORDON A MARKER, VP OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90228c0993 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, GORDON A MARKER, VP OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90228c0995 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, GORDON A MARKER, VP OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90228c0996 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, GORDON A MARKER, VP OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90228c0997 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, GORDON A MARKER, VP OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90228c0998 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, GORDON A MARKER, VP OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 2,100 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90228c0999 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, GORDON A MARKER, VP OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 2,900 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90228c1000 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, GORDON A MARKER, VP OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90228c1001 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, GORDON A MARKER, VP OF THE OXFORD ENERGY CO. (TICKER: OEN), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 307,045.

-30- 310
#90228c1003 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, R DAN EWELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PACIFIC AGRICULTURAL HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: PAGH), SOLD 96,000 SHARES AT $2.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 899,475.

-30- 366
#90228c1004 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, HENRY W GIBSON, SHAREHOLDER OF PALFED INC. (TICKER: PALM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,023.

-30- 312
#90228c1005 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, BRADFORD T WHITMORE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PATTEN CORP. (TICKER: PAT), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,377,699.

-30- 334
#90228c1006 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, NORMAN J LOUDEN, DIR. OF PROVIDENT BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: PBKS), BOUGHT 1,429 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,050.

-30- 328
#90228c1007 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PETER M MARTIN, PRES. OF PROVIDENT BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: PBKS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 329
#90228c1008 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JOSEPH H REICH, DIR. OF PCA INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PCAI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90228c1009 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JOSEPH H REICH, DIR. OF PCA INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PCAI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90228c1011 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JOSEPH H REICH, DIR. OF PCA INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PCAI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90228c1012 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOSEPH H REICH, DIR. OF PCA INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PCAI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90228c1013 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOSEPH H REICH, DIR. OF PCA INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PCAI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,845,661.

-30- 315
#90228c1014 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, DONALD E KOLOWSKY, VP OF PFIZER INC. (TICKER: PFE), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,401.

-30- 309
#90228c1015 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JAMES R GAGNARD, SHAREHOLDER OF PANSOPHIC SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PNS), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90228c1016 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, JAMES R GAGNARD, SHAREHOLDER OF PANSOPHIC SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PNS), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,827.

-30- 335
#90228c1017 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC.

(TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90228c1019 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC.
(TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90228c1020 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC.
(TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90228c1021 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC.
(TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90228c1022 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC.
(TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 4,900 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 278,381.

-30- 318
#90228c1023 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, TODD K WEST, OFFICER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC.
(TICKER: PROS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 318
#90228c1024 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 22, 1988, CARL P MOTHERAL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CASH AMERICA INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: PWN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 360
#90228c1025 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, CARL P MOTHERAL, DIR. OF CASH AMERICA INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: PWN), SOLD 9,400 SHARES AT $19.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90228c1027 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, EUGENE I SCHUSTER, CHAIRMAN OF QUEST BIOTECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: QBIO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.71 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 197,432.

-30- 337
#90228c1028 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ROBERT C ELLIOTT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF REXWORKS INC. (TICKER: REXW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90228c1029 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, EDWARD R SISOLAK, VP OF REXWORKS INC. (TICKER: REXW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 299
#90228c1030 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, RICHARD A VANDEUREN, DIR. OF REXWORKS INC. (TICKER: REXW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 310
#90228c1031 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, TRAVIS E DAVENPORT, DIR. OF RS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RFBK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 316
#90228c1032 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 26, 1990, THOMAS A LOUCKS, VP OF ROYAL GOLD INC. (TICKER: RGLD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90228c1033 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, THOMAS A LOUCKS, VP OF ROYAL GOLD INC. (TICKER: RGLD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 302
#90228c1035 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 125,100 SHARES AT $36.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c1036 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 114,200 SHARES AT $36.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c1037 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 117,400 SHARES AT $36.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c1038 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 95,600 SHARES AT $36.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90228c1039 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $36.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c1040 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 238,500 SHARES AT $35.65 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c1041 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 175,000 SHARES AT $34.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c1043 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 146,900 SHARES AT $34.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c1044 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 88,300 SHARES AT $34.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90228c1045 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 162,000 SHARES AT $34.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c1046 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 175,500 SHARES AT $34.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c1047 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 24,800 SHARES AT $33.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90228c1048 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 25,900 SHARES AT $33.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90228c1049 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 123,200 SHARES AT $33.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c1051 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 129,200 SHARES AT $33.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c1052 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 171,100 SHARES AT $33.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c1053 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 139,100 SHARES AT $33.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90228c1054 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, MARK L JONES, OFFICER OF SUNBELT NURSERY GROUP INC. (TICKER: SBN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,544.

-30- 326
#90228c1055 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, DANIEL S BAGLEY III, DIR. OF SEAHAWK DEEP OCEAN TECHN INC. (TICKER: SDOT), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90228c1056 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, DANIEL S BAGLEY III, DIR. OF SEAHAWK DEEP OCEAN TECHN INC. (TICKER: SDOT), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $0.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90228c1057 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, DANIEL S BAGLEY III, DIR. OF SEAHAWK DEEP OCEAN TECHN INC. (TICKER: SDOT), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,995,000.

-30- 345
#90228c1059 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, LOUIS J CISSONE, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SUN DISTRIBUTORS LP (TICKER: SDP), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,163.

-30- 345
#90228c1060 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90228c1061 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90228c1062 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90228c1063 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283

#90228c1064 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 62,000 SHARES AT $4.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90228c1065 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90228c1067 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 440,310.

-30- 321
#90228c1068 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, EDWARD BLACKWELL DAVID, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SCORE EXPL CORP (TICKER: SKOR), BOUGHT 346,200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,909,300.

-30- 381
#90228c1069 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, DELL C STOUT, DIR. OF SKYWEST INC. (TICKER: SKYW), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,751.

-30- 295
#90228c1070 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN W DAVIS III, DIR. OF SALEM CARPET MILLS INC. (TICKER: SLCR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,186.

-30- 324
#90228c1071 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, DARRELL L BLANTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,406.

-30- 330
#90228c1072 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, MAYLAND E SKINNER, SHAREHOLDER OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: SMGS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90228c1073 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, MAYLAND E SKINNER, SHAREHOLDER OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: SMGS), SOLD 1,955 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90228c1075 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, MAYLAND E SKINNER, SHAREHOLDER OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: SMGS), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,561.

-30- 376
#90228c1076 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, HOWELL H HOWARD JR, CHAIRMAN OF SOUTHERN MINERAL CORP. (TICKER: SMIN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,796.

-30- 329

#90228c1077 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PILLAR CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SENSOR CONTROL CORP. (TICKER: SNCO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,058,429.

-30- 321
#90228c1078 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, PETER S CROSS, VP OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90228c1079 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, PETER S CROSS, VP OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,948.

-30- 329
#90228c1080 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RONALD V SCHMIDT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90228c1081 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RONALD V SCHMIDT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 726,000.

-30- 364
#90228c1083 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 05, 1990, JOHN D DRINKO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE STANDARD PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: SPD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90228c1084 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, PAUL N SCHREGEL, VP OF SCOTT PAPER CO. (TICKER: SPP), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $49.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,004.

-30- 303
#90228c1085 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, WILLIAM H TILLEY, DIR. OF SUNSHINE MINING CO. (TICKER: SSC), SOLD 1,900 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90228c1086 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM H TILLEY, DIR. OF SUNSHINE MINING CO. (TICKER: SSC), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60.

-30- 306
#90228c1087 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, KCB INVESTMENTS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF STOR FURNISHINGS INTL INC. (TICKER: STOR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90228c1088 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, KCB INVESTMENTS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF STOR FURNISHINGS INTL INC. (TICKER: STOR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90228c1089 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, KCB INVESTMENTS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF STOR FURNISHINGS INTL INC. (TICKER: STOR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90228c1091 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, STATESMAN GROUP INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90228c1092 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, STATESMAN GROUP INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90228c1093 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, STATESMAN GROUP INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90228c1094 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JAY S SIDHU, PRES. OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,375.

-30- 318
#90228c1095 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, AENEAS VENTURE CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMANTEC CORP. (TICKER: SYMC), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $26.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90228c1096 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, AENEAS VENTURE CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMANTEC CORP. (TICKER: SYMC), SOLD 20,500 SHARES AT $26.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 722,688.

-30- 327
#90228c1097 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, GARY G HENDRIX, VP OF SYMANTEC CORP. (TICKER: SYMC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,485.

-30- 299
#90228c1099 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, CHARLES ANTELL, CHAIRMAN OF TAGO INC. (TICKER: TAGO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,000.

-30- 300
#90228c1100 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, BRUCE G ALLBRIGHT, DIR. OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,333.

-30- 317
#90228c1101 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RICHARD E LUDWIG, VP OF TECO ENERGY INC. (TICKER: TE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90228c1102 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC.

(TICKER: THR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90228c1103 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,686,381.

-30- 335
#90228c1104 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, MARVIN L SNEED, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,200.

-30- 349
#90228c1105 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, HARVIE M MERRILL, DIR. OF TIS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: TIS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 329
#90228c1107 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, HENRY R SILVERMAN, DIR. OF TELEMUNDO GROUP INC (TICKER: TLMD), SOLD 5,491 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90228c1108 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, HENRY R SILVERMAN, DIR. OF TELEMUNDO GROUP INC (TICKER: TLMD), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90228c1109 08/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, HENRY R SILVERMAN, DIR. OF TELEMUNDO GROUP INC (TICKER: TLMD), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90228c1110 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, HENRY R SILVERMAN, DIR. OF TELEMUNDO GROUP INC (TICKER: TLMD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90228c1111 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, HENRY R SILVERMAN, DIR. OF TELEMUNDO GROUP INC (TICKER: TLMD), SOLD 58,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90228c1112 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, HENRY R SILVERMAN, DIR. OF TELEMUNDO GROUP INC (TICKER: TLMD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90228c1113 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, GEORGE M BIGGS, DIR. OF TRUSTMARK CORP. (TICKER: TRMK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 305
#90228c1115 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, RALPH E HUTCHINS, PRES. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,175.

-30- 320
#90228c1116 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, LEONARD ABRAMSON, BEN. OWNER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90228c1117 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, LEONARD ABRAMSON, BEN. OWNER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90228c1118 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, LEONARD ABRAMSON, BEN. OWNER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90228c1119 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, LEONARD ABRAMSON, BEN. OWNER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90228c1120 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, LEONARD ABRAMSON, BEN. OWNER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90228c1121 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, LEONARD ABRAMSON, BEN. OWNER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 87,172.

-30- 331
#90228c1123 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, MARC R JARTMAN, OFFICER OF UNC INC. (TICKER: UNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 296
#90228c1124 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, ROBERT D KILPATRICK, DIR. OF UNITED COS. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UNCF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 332
#90228c1125 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, W A BARNETTE JR, DIR. OF UNITED FINANCIAL CORP. OF SOUTH CAROLINA INC. (TICKER: UNSA), BOUGHT 10,065 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,207.

-30- 364
#90228c1126 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, R W BRIGGS JR, DIR. OF VICTORIA BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: VICT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 190,000.

-30- 325
#90228c1127 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, EMERSON B KENDALL, OFFICER OF VICORP RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: VRES), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90228c1128 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, EMERSON B KENDALL, OFFICER OF VICORP RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: VRES), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90228c1129 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, ROBERT E MOHRMANN, DIR. OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,282.

-30- 308
#90228c1131 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RICHARD L LOWE, PRES. OF WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: WEXC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 405,195.

-30- 329
#90228c1132 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, ROBERT E KRESKO, DIR. OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90228c1133 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, ROBERT E KRESKO, DIR. OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,978.

-30- 309
#90228c1134 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $50.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 319

#90228c1135 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $50.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90228c1136 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $50.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90228c1137 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $50.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90228c1139 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90228c1140 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 12,522 SHARES AT $49.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,781,291.

-30- 362
#90228c1141 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, STEPHEN W R TTEE, BEN. OWNER OF WORTHEN BANKING CORP. (TICKER: WOR), BOUGHT 11,650 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,381,164.

-30- 342
#90228c1142 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JEAN R PERRETTE, CHAIRMAN OF WORTH CORP. (TICKER: WRTH), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 166,250.

-30- 308
#90228c1143 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JACK R INGRAM, DIR. OF XETA CORP. (TICKER: XETA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90228c1144 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, JACK R INGRAM, DIR. OF XETA CORP. (TICKER: XETA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90228c1145 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, JACK R INGRAM, DIR. OF XETA CORP. (TICKER: XETA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,500.

-30- 291
#90228c1147 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RON BERGER OF 717 SE 27TH, GRESHAM, OR 97080, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,500 SHARES OF RENTRAK CORP. (TICKER: RENT) THROUGH PACIFIC INVSTMNT SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(RENTRAK CORP. TEL: 503 284-2965)

-30- 385
#90228c1148 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM H GIBBS OF P O BOX 27294, SAN DIEGO, CA 92128, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DH TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: DHTK) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(DH TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 619 451-3485)

-30- 409
#90228c1149 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEROME BLOOMBERG OF C/O ROMAC ELECTRONICS, 155 EAST AMES CT, PLAINVIEW, NY 11803, HAS FILED TO SELL 42,421 SHARES OF ODYSSEY ENTERTAINMENT LTD. (TICKER: ODYY) THROUGH GRUNTAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(ODYSSEY ENTERTAINMENT LTD. TEL: 213 655-9335)

-30- 459
#90228c1150 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SETON HEALTH SERVICES CORP OF 1900 SULLIVAN AVE, DALY CITY, CA 94015 HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF NMR OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: NMRR) THROUGH SEABOARD PLANNING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 08, 1990.

(NMR OF AMERICA INC. TEL: 201 539-1082)

-30- 430
#90228c1151 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD D REDFEARN OF 4260 FOX TRACE, 0, BOYTON BCH, FL 33436, HAS FILED TO SELL 175,000 SHARES OF BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOCA) THROUGH NOBLE INVSTMNT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 394-3066)

-30- 439
#90228c1152 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANALYTICAL LAB SVCS EPSP CENTRAL OF 530 BOSTON POST RD, WAYLAND, MA 01778, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,686 SHARES OF CANDELA LASER CORP. (TICKER: CLZR) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(CANDELA LASER CORP. TEL: 508 358-7637)

-30- 441
#90228c1153 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM M WIENKE OF 5 MALLARD LANE, 0, ST PAUL, MN 55127, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,120 SHARES OF PROCYTE CORP. (TICKER: PRCY) THROUGH FSC SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(PROCYTE CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 391
#90228c1155 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WAYNE PALMER OF 612 FORT WORTH CLUB BLDG, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,333 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 402
#90228c1156 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILIP J ALFORD OF 812 16TH STREET #6, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF TEKELEC. (TICKER: TKLC) THROUGH VOLPE & COVINGTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(TEKELEC. TEL: 818 880-5656)

-30- 390
#90228c1157 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN & TERESA NEHRA OF 6748 SOUTHEAST PACIFIC DR, STUART, FL 33497, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 240-8800)

-30- 419
#90228c1158 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BARBARA YOUNG OF 55 MARBLE RIDGE RD, 0, ANDOVER, MA 01845, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,934 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 459
#90228c1159 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GRAHAM C MILLER OF 29 PLEASANT STREET, SO NATICK, MA 01760, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF LTX CORP. (TICKER: LTXX) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(LTX CORP. TEL: 617 329-7550)

-30- 380
#90228c1160 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VERNON UECKER OF 301 COMMERCE ST, SUITE 3050, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,296 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH DFW CLEARING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 07, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 400
#90228c1161 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES M BROPHY OF 7329 NORTH OAKLEY, CHICAGO, IL 60645, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,230 SHARES OF FIBERCHEM INC. (TICKER: FOCS) THROUGH PRIVATE INVESTORS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(FIBERCHEM INC. TEL: 702 361-9873)

-30- 399
#90228c1163 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUNO STRAUSS OF 5724 NE 71ST ST, 0, SEATTLE, WA 98115, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ELDEC CORP. (TICKER: ELDC) THROUGH RAGEN MACKENZIE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(ELDEC CORP. TEL: 206 743-1313)

-30- 388
#90228c1164 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C FRAYER KIMBALL III OF P O BOX 52588, LAFAYETTE, LA 70505, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF THE WISER OIL CO. (TICKER: WISE) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(THE WISER OIL CO. TEL: 304 652-3861)

-30- 413
#90228c1165 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERRY BEDDOW OF 1109 SHADY OAKS CIRCLE, MCKINNEY, TX 75070, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF INTELLICALL INC. (TICKER: ICL) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(INTELLICALL INC. TEL: 214 416-0022)

-30- 402
#90228c1166 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROGER D BURGSTAHLER OF 6404 CHEROKEE TRAIL, EDINA, MN 55435, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF REUTER INC. (TICKER: REUT) THROUGH NORWEST BRKG SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(REUTER INC. TEL: 612 935-6921)

-30- 398
#90228c1167 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALAN L BRIGGS OF 2500 LANE RD, COLUMBUS, OH 43220, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF GOAL SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GOAL) THROUGH OHIO COMPANY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(GOAL SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 614 888-1775)

-30- 430
#90228c1168 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLAUDE E LOY OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,222 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 391
#90228c1169 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTH AMERICAN PARTNERS LP OF C/O INCO VENTURE CAP MNGMT, ONE NEW YORK PLA NEW YORK, NY 10004, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF THE LIPOSOME CO. (TICKER: LIPO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(THE LIPOSOME CO. TEL: 609 452-7060)

-30- 457
#90228c1171 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALTER L REVELL OF 17850 NE 5TH AVE, MIAMI, FL 33162, HAS FILED TO SELL 41,935 SHARES OF HOTELECOPY INC. (TICKER: FAXM) THROUGH SUNTRUST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(HOTELECOPY INC. TEL: 305 651-5176)

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#90228c1172 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RESIN SYSTEMS CORP OF 62 NASHUA RD, AMHURST, NH 03031, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,763 SHARES OF CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC. (TICKER: CAMP) THROUGH

PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC. TEL: 805 987-9000)

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#90228c1173 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JON L GARVER OF 6213 GREEN VIEW DR, SARASOTA, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,151 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

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#90228c1174 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARVEY BAYARD OF 145 EAST 84ST STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10058, HAS FILED TO SELL 65,800 SHARES OF DIAGNOSTIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: DSIC) THROUGH GLOBEL CAPITAL SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(DIAGNOSTIC SCIENCES INC. TEL: 516 385-2340)

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#90228c1175 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT LEBEAU OF 115 CENTRAL PARK W, APT #23E, NEW YORK, NY 10023, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,000 SHARES OF POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. (TICKER: PMCX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. TEL: 517 790-4764)

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#90228c1176 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK BERGER OF 5036 ARBOR LAWN, FORT WORTH, TX 76109, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

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#90228c1177 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICKEY G STRIEKLAND OF 9415 TRANQUIL DR, FORT WORTH, TX 76179, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,554 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

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#90228c1179 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SOUTHWESTERN MEDICAL FOUNDATION OF 6303 FOREST PARK, SUITE 1000, DALLAS, TX 75235, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,300 SHARES OF WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: WCTV) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 214 351-6143)

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#90228c1180 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY MULLNER OF 3803 HEMLOCK PLACE, 0, TEMPLE HILL, MD 20748, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF RYKA INC. (TICKER: RYKA) THROUGH R B MARICH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(RYKA INC. TEL: 617 331-8800)

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#90228c1181 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ATALANTA INVESTMENT CO INC OF 450 PARK AVE, SUITE 2102, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF PRICE/STERN/SLOAN INC. (TICKER: PSSP) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(PRICE/STERN/SLOAN INC. TEL: 213 657-6100)

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#90228c1182 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VERON JAMES D TRUST OF 5250 140TH AVE NORTH, CLEARWATER, FL 34620, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: TRCI) THROUGH SMITH MOORE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH CORP. TEL: 813 535-0572)

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#90228c1183 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE BRISCOE OF 647 ATLANTIC HILLS AVE, EAGAN, MN 55123, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF GRIST MILL CO. (TICKER: GRST) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(GRIST MILL CO. TEL: 612 469-4981)

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#90228c1184 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE J LUCAS OF 238 VAGABOND CT, DANVILLE, CA 94526, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,720 SHARES OF CAPITAL ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: CAII) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(CAPITAL ASSOCIATES INC. TEL: 303 980-1000)

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#90228c1185 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY HILLMAN OF 15 GOODHART DRIVE, LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 201 386-0600)

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#90228c1187 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAROLD R GETTY OF P O BOX 825, SANTA MONICA, CA 90406, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SGI INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SGII) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(SGI INTERNATIONAL TEL: 619 452-0841)

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#90228c1188 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM D YAVORSKY OF 2501 PLUMDALE DR, 0, CARROLLTON, TX 75006, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,427 SHARES OF LODGISTIX INC. (TICKER: LDGX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 09, 1990.

(LODGISTIX INC. TEL: 316 685-2216)

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#90228c1189 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN B GILL OF 4135 AUTUMN CT, BOULDER, CO 80304, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,456 SHARES OF WILAND SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WSVS) THROUGH JOHN A NOTO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(WILAND SERVICES INC. TEL: 303 449-5347)

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#90228c1190 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE LYCAS OF 600 SOUTH CHERRY, SUITE 143, DENVER, CO 80222, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH TRI-BRADLEY INVSTMNTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-7330)

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#90228c1191 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFFREY MARKOWITZ OF 100 EAST 42 ST, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF AMERIFAX INC. (TICKER: AFAX) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(AMERIFAX INC. TEL: 913 451-1080)

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#90228c1192 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OUDRY GINA BELLE OF 51-4 WEEKS AVE, 0, MANORVILLE, NY 11949, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF NTN CANADA INC. (TICKER: NTNC) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(NTN CANADA INC. TEL: 514 739-7898)

-30- 404
#90228c1193 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE ANAGNOST OF 3333 EAST BAYAND #607, DENVER, CO 80209, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN TOXXIC CONTROL INC. (TICKER: ATCX) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(AMERICAN TOXXIC CONTROL INC. TEL: 714 894-1007)

-30- 439
#90228c1195 08/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT D LEBEAU OF 115 CENTRAL PARK WEST, 23E, NEW YORK, NY 10023, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. (TICKER: PMCX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. TEL: 517 790-4764)

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#90228d0000 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 16) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,598.00 (1,582.00) 1,557.50 (1,546.50)
Lead 458.50 (455.00) 466.12 (463.50)
Zinc Sh 1,607.50 (1,597.50) 1,537.50 (1,529.00)

Tin 6,025.00 (5,995.00) 6,145.00 (6,117.50)
Aluminium 1,804.00 (1,796.00) 1,826.50 (1,818.00)
Nickel

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

-30- 638
#90228d0090 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANTO DOMINGO (AUG. 16) - President Joaquin Balaguer was sworn in to a sixth term in the Dominican Republic Thursday, two days after a general strike degenerated into rioting which claimed 15 lives.

The conservative Mr. Balaguer, 83 and legally blind, took the oath of office from the chief justice of the Dominican Supreme Court during a ceremony before parliament.

The inauguration started 40 minutes late because opposition parties boycotted the ceremony to protest Mr. Balaguer's disputed election victory, thus preventing the congress from achieving a quorum.

At least 15 people died in disturbances during a two-day strike Monday and Tuesday which was called to protest the government's new economic austerity plan.

Looters in the capital sacked a large grocery store, clearing its shelves of foodstuffs, while more looting was reported in other cities across the country.

Dozens of people were injured and more than 1,000 others arrested as protesters and looters faced off against police and merchants.

Under the austerity plan, the price of sugar, the country's main export, rose 175 per cent, while gasoline prices and bus fares nearly doubled.

The plan raised the salaries of both public- and private-sector employees by 30 to 40 per cent.

Mr. Balaguer is starting his second consecutive four-year term and his sixth overall as president of this Spanish-speaking nation of seven million people which shares the Caribbean island of Hispaniola with Haiti.

Mr. Balaguer won re-election May 16 by a slim margin, with his main rival, 81-year-old Juan Bosch, claiming fraud.

-30- 1811
#90228d0100 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOWETO, South Africa (AUG. 16) - President Frederik de Klerk and black leader Nelson Mandela held crisis talks Thursday as undercurrents of violence bubbling nationwide boiled over into massive bloodshed around Johannesburg.

The talks, announced by the president's office, took place in Johannesburg even as supporters of Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha party and African National Congress comrades stood baying for each other's blood after a dawn raid on a packed commuter train left six people dead in Soweto black township.

"The discussions covered various aspects of the present state of unrest and violence ... and steps to curb it," the presidential statement said.

Only teargas-spraying police in riot gear managed to keep a 1,000-strong group of ANC "comrades" from surging across a bridge spanning the track near Soweto's Inhlanzane station to avenge the dawn attack.

Eyewitnesses said a heavily-armed 400-strong Inkatha impi (war party) had swarmed down on to a train standing at the station.

"They pulled passengers out and slashed at them with pangas (machetes). Others they simply shot," witness John Tolk told Agence France-Presse. Police said 99 people were injured.

Warned Mr. Tolk: "We're going to kill them (the Inkatha members) and destroy their hostels, no matter how long it takes. As soon as we can get past the police ..."

But, standing shoulder to shoulder, riot squad policemen formed a human barricade to prevent the comrades from breaking through.

Meanwhile, on the other side of the tracks, Zulus sporting red headbands stood chanting and war dancing as they taunted the comrades.

Police eventually pushed the comrades back with teargas, but by nightfall groups were gathering again and burning barricades were being erected in the streets.

"We're going to attack tonight, no doubt," said one angry comrade. "We have to teach these Inkatha people a lesson."

Black-on-black violence, sparked by the train attack, also broke out in other parts of Soweto Thursday, according to correspondents.

At Merafe station, hostels housing migrant workers, widely branded hardcore Inkatha warriors, were torched by the comrades, according to an AFP reporter whose car was stoned and unsuccessfully petrol-bombed by a mob of

comrades.

Across the tracks, 700 Inkatha supporters clashed with ANC supporters, and at least one man was left bleeding from a gash in his head.

As medics attended to him, an Inkatha man took out a handgun and blazed away at passers-by, sending them scattering in all directions, an AFP reporter said.

In a bid to defuse the issue, Winnie Mandela, wife of ANC deputy president Nelson Mandela, addressed a crowd of supporters at a stadium near the flashpoints, the South African Press Association (SAPA) said.

Meanwhile, anti-Inkatha sentiment ran high in Tokoza township, east of Johannesburg, where police found another five bodies Thursday to bring the death toll in four days of Inkatha-ANC clashes there to 148. Some 500 people were injured, police said.

Thousands of ANC supporters streamed into the local stadium to hear Tokoza Civic Association (TCA) member Cas Khanyile call for Mr. Mandela and Mr. Buthelezi to meet urgently in an attempt to broker peace.

Numerous attempts to hold peace talks between the two organisations have faltered in Natal province, where the power struggle has seen some 3,000 people killed since the conflict was sparked in 1986.

Inkatha has been blamed for "exporting" the violence to Transvaal province and for sparking the Tokoza violence, in which two squatter camps were virtually demolished by Zulus wearing red headbands, according to witnesses.

Most of those who died were burned to death as their shanties were torched during an orgy of violence early Wednesday.

Amid tight police security, ANC-aligned leaders called at Thursday's rally for an end to violence and warned that an Inkatha meeting planned in Tokoza on Saturday would escalate the conflict.

ANC organiser in the area, Paul Mashatiele, warned that even though the ANC had last week decided to suspend its 29-year armed struggle, it did not mean "that we have to abandon our means of defence".

Police spokesman Colonel Frans Malherbe said further talks involving police and representatives from both sides was due to be held on Monday.

Isolated incidents, including the arrest of a man with a petrol bomb and another man who tried to attack a policeman with a panga while being disarmed had occurred Thursday, Col. Malherbe said.

-30- 4810
#90228d0160 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (AUG. 16) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein vowed Thursday that "thousands of Americans" would return home in coffins in the event of a U.S.-Iraqi confrontation and said the doors to a Jihad (Moslem holy war) were open.

Mr. Hussein issued the threat as U.S. President George Bush prepared to meet at his vacation home in Maine with Jordan's King Hussein, who is carrying a message from the Iraqi president.

"Oh Moslems the door of the Jihad that had angered Bush the adulterer has opened. March towards it ... let shame be on the despicable, shame on atheist aggressors, dignity for Arabs and Moslems and all honourable supporters of the right in the world," the Iraqi president said.

His message, entitled "open letter to the U.S. President", was entirely directed at Mr. Bush and gave the impression that the American president had become the Iraqi leader's number one enemy, according to Gulf analysts.

Mr. Hussein -- whose statements were carried by the official Iraqi news agency INA and state-run Iraqi television -- repeatedly called the American president a liar in a tit-for-tat retaliation.

Mr. Bush has also describes the Iraqi leader as a liar in a speech on Wednesday.

"We pray to God to avoid any confrontation between Iraq and the United States that will result in thousands of Americans (returning home) in coffins after you have pushed them into a dark tunnel," said Mr. Hussein.

"Mr. President of the United States of America, you lied a first time when you told your people that you had sent troops to Saudi Arabia to protect American interests and a second time (when) you told them that the mission of the American troops was to force Iraqi troops from Kuwait," said Mr. Hussein.

"Can Iraq ask you to withdraw your forces from the southern American states? ... We are on our territory (in Kuwait) and the Kuwaitis ... have been Iraqis for a millenium," he said.

He stressed that he would not reverse his August 8 decision to merge Iraq and Kuwait, which followed the August 2 invasion of the tiny oil-rich emirate by Iraqi troops.

Mr. Hussein also vowed never to allow the deposed Kuwaiti regime to return

describing the ousted royal family as "the mentally-deficient emirs of crude oil who deformed the image of Arabs."

Mr. Hussein urged the American president to be "honest with your people and tell them that the Arab and Islamic public opinion is against your presence on the land of prophets ... and that they will resist your designs and sacrifice in defence of faith ...,"

And he stressed that he had never "promised" anything to Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak" saying only that he would not use force until the Jeddah meeting.

Mr. Hussein was apparently referring to a meeting between Iraqi and Kuwaiti officials in the western Saudi town of Jeddah to resolve an oil and border dispute. The talks broke down on August 1.

Mr. Bush said Wednesday in a speech to Pentagon employees that the United States wanted to accomplish four goals in the international showdown with Iraq:

-- the immediate, complete and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait;

-- return of Kuwait's legitimate government to power.

-- the security and stability of Saudi Arabia and the Gulf region in general.

-- protection of American lives abroad.

The Iraqi leader said that Mr. Bush's remarks were "feverish" and "clearly showed disrespect for the Arab mentality."

Some 3,500 U.S. citizens were living in Kuwait and Iraq before the Gulf crisis erupted and only a few of them have been able to leave.

Some 50,000 American ground and air troops have been deployed in the region.

-30- 3917

#90228d0270 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 16) - The European Economic Community (ECC) is ready "to give Jordan full political and economic support" should it agree to respect U.N. sanctions against Iraq, Italian Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis said here Thursday.

"We expressed to the Jordanians our willingness to participate in the

framework of a United Nations decision for economic and financial support of the kingdom," he told a press conference before flying to Saudi Arabia.

Italy holds the current rotating presidency of the EEC and Mr. de Michelis is the head of a European troika, also comprising the Foreign Ministers of Luxembourg, Jacques Poos, and Ireland Gerard Collins.

Mr. de Michelis was accompanied by his Irish and Luxembourg counterparts as he held talks here with Jordan's Crown Prince Hassan Ibn Talal on efforts needed to enforce sanctions against Iraq in the aftermath of its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Prince Hassan told the European officials that his country considered the U.N. Security Council Resolution of August 6 to impose trade and arms sanctions against Iraq as "mandatory and accepted it in principle."

A staunch Arab ally of Iraq, Jordan has asked the Security Council to study the negative effects an endorsement of sanctions would have on its economy.

Iraq is Jordan's first trade partner and supplies Amman with 95 per cent of its oil needs.

Jordan's southern port of Aqaba was a vital lifeline for Iraq during its eight-year war with Iran and is still receiving Iraq-bound supplies.

The EEC mission here came as King Hussein was in the United States for talks with President George Bush, during which he will be asked to outline the situation at Aqaba.

The monarch is carrying a message from Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

-30- 1982

#90228d0400 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 16) - The African National Congress (ANC) made an impassioned plea for peace here late Thursday after clashes in Johannesburg's black township Soweto left six more dead to add to the 148 killed east of the city this week.

Following hard on the heels of Thursday's crisis meeting between ANC Deputy President Nelson Mandela and President Frederik de Klerk, the ANC statement said black people were killing each other "like beasts."

In a marked departure from pervious statements blaming Zulu leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha movement for starting trouble and the South African Police for abetting it, the ANC Thursday blamed "misguided individuals" who had infiltrated migrant workers' hostels urging people to fight.

"They spread rumours that one section of the commnity is planning to attack another. They have taken it upon themselves to divide us along ethnic lines.

"They urge one language group to fight another. Within the hostels, hatred is being sown everywhere."

Hostels, where black men from far-off tribal homelands are cooped up away from their families often for a year or more at a time, have proved fertile seed beds of violence.

-30- 1393

#90228d0450 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 16) - Experts of the International Energy Agency (IEA) met here Thursday to discuss ways of coping with repercussions on industrial countries of the trade embargo on Iraq and Kuwait.

In principle, that embargo deprives the world oil market of about four million barrels of oil a day that came from Iraq and Kuwait before Iraq initiated the current Gulf crisis by invading Kuwait on August 2.

The experts' talks were aimed at preparing for a special meeting of the IEA Executive Committee, to be attended by the permanent representatives of the agency's 21 member countries here next Thursday.

The experts reviewed the level of oil stocks in IEA countries, possibilities of having generating stations use natural gas or coal rather than oil, and the impact of measures aimed at cutting oil consumptiopn.

They also discussed ways in which IEA countries could increase oil extraction.

At an August 9 emergency meeting here, members agreed that their oil supplies were not sufficiently threatened by the Gulf conflict to justify emergency steps, particularly releasing oil from government stockpiles.

The IEA consists of all members of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development except three: France, Iceland and Finland.

-30- 1466

#90228d0540 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) - King Hussein of Jordan emerged from a meeting with President George Bush Thursday saying his country will adhere to U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

Hussein, who met with Bush at his summer home in Kennebunkport, Maine, said they had had ''a frank, open, candid discussion'', but that he had brought no message from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

''I'm not talking on behalf of anyone in the area, but for myself,'' he said.

Iraqi reports had hinted that the monarch would be acting as a mediator in the Gulf crisis, and the Iraqi envoy in Washington said in a Cnn interview Wednesday that the message was a ''very practical, very progressive'' offer.

The Hashemite monarch had met with Saddam in Baghdad on Monday. According to U.S. media accounts, Saddam has suggested an international conference on the crisis, and has offered to pull his troops out of Kuwait if Washington would agree to stop sending forces to Saudi Arabia.

Hussein told reporters that he was leaving the United States ''with a clearer idea of what the president's thinking is, and I feel very happy with the warmth I've received.''

Asked whether shipments to Iraq were going through the Jordanian port of Aqaba, he said, ''I'm not suggesting we've altered our position at all in this regard.

''Jordan has regarded the sanctions as ones that the government of Jordan would respect, and this is the case.''

But when reporters pressed him on whether supplies were getting through to Iraq from Aqaba nonetheless, Hussein said, ''We are reaching the United Nations to find out exactly what these sanctions mean. The situation is unclear.''

''There are no shipments at the moment as far as I know.''

The Hashemite monarch refused to provide further details of his talk with Bush except to say that his country was ''passing through a very difficult economic situation.''

''But this,'' he added, ''as I told the president, was the least of my worries at the moment.''

-30- 2213

#90228d0580 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (AUG. 16) - The World Bank will continue to maintain its high financial assistance to Ghana during the next three to four years to enable it to establish a more self-sustaining economy, Silvio Capoluongo,

the Bank's resident representative in Ghana, said here Thursday.

He told the Ghana News Agency that the Bank is convinced that Ghana can fight poverty and improve living conditions in the next few years if no major external economic obstacles stand in its way.

This conviction stems from ''the record steadiness and improvement that the economy has achieved'' since the beginning of the country's economic recovery programme in 1983, Mr. Capoluongo said. ''From a rather poor state, the economy is now firmly stabilized and all its distortions largely eliminated.''

The Bank, the International Monetary Fund and western donor Nations have supported Ghana's economic recovery, and authorities say the positive turnaround of the battered economy, good growth rates and general economic improvements in various areas point to its success.

Mr. Capoluongo said the Bank expects that the next phase of the programme will be driven by considerations of long-term development issues, such as population and environment, and creation of a more conducive atmosphere for rapid involvement of the private sector. He stressed the need to open things up for private investments to provide resources for growth and replace aid flows in the future.

Mr. Capoluongo said during the next Bank credit meeting, to be held soon, discussions will centre on how to expedite action in this area, and that the bank will be prepared to support a proposed capital market in the country.

On Ghana's debt, he said the percentage of foreign earnings used to service debt is projected to fall to about 25 per cent in the 1990s from 60 per cent now.

Ghana, he said , had benefitted from a 1.5-billion-dollar loan from the International Monetary Fund and about 600 million dollars from the World Bank. Repayment of the IMF loan began in 1984, but the World Bank loans have 10 years grace and 30 years repayment period.

-30- 2342

#90228d0620 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VRYHEID, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 16) - Suspected right wingers lobbed a teargas cannister into a hall in this former 19th century Boer republic town Thursday in a bid to stop President Frederik de Klerk addressing a meeting.

Mr. De Klerk had already begun speaking to ruling National Party (NP) supporters when around 100 men, thought to be members of the neo-fascist

Afrikaner Resistance Movement (AWB), started chanting for an all-white Boer state, the South African news agency SAPA said.

Repeated attempts to remove them failed, so Mr. De Klerk appealed to all those who wanted to hear him to step outside for a few moments while police cleared the hecklers.

As police shepherded the last few right wingers to the door a teargas cannister was lobbed inside, SAPA said. NP officials from Vryheid, in what is now northern Natal, said the meeting would go ahead.

Right wingers are vehemently opposed to Mr. De Klerk's reforms to scrap apartheid and introduce a non-racial democracy enfranchising the black majority.

-30- 1231

#90228d0680 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) - The Bush administration protested Thursday against Iraqi orders for some 2,500 Americans in Kuwait to gather in a hotel in Kuwait City.

Deputy State Department spokesman Richard Boucher termed the order ''uncalled for'' and said the U.S. charge d'affaires in Baghdad would deliver a formal protest to the Iraqi Foreign Ministry.

Boucher said the U.S. embassy in Kuwait was informed of the Iraqi order by ''military occupation authorities''. He said they cited ''concern about the protection of the American community from unspecified threats'' and called for the Americans to assemble ''within two hours.''

The ambassador made it clear, Boucher, that he would issue no such instructions to U.S. citizens.

Americans in Kuwait were informed of the Iraqi move, Boucher said, but were not given any specific instructions about what they should do. The State Department believes most are safely in their homes in Kuwait.

The estimated 4,000 British citizens in Kuwait also received the same demand.

-30- 1232

#90228d0700 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) - Iraq has increased its troop contingent in Kuwait to about 160,000, the Defense Department said Thursday.

"It's slightly different every day. They continue to move forces

around...There's a continuing flow in and out of the country (Kuwait) through the northern border," Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams told reporters.

He spoke of a "slight increase" of the Iraqi expeditionary corps to 160,000 men from the 140,000 reported early this week.

The spokesman also said that Iraq still maintained around 500,000 troops on its border with Iran, with no indication of a change following reports that Baghdad and Teheran appeared on the verge of a peace agreement.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has offered to pull his forces out of Iranian territory captured by Iraqi forces in the 1980-1988 Gulf war.

Mr. Williams denied suggestions that the U.S. military buildup in Saudi Arabia was taking an increasingly offensive nature, particularly with the deployment of the radar-eluding stealth F-117 jet fighter.

He reminded reporters that Iraq was an "enormously large, well-equipped adversary" with one million men under arms.

He said the United States needed enough forces to deter and resist any Iraqi attack against oil-rich Saudi Arabia in the wake of Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

Referring indirectly to the deployment of the F-117, he said some forces were a deterrent "by their mere presence."

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#90228d0720 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANJUL (AUG. 16) - Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor called off a visit to Gambia on Thursday during which he was to have met officials from West African nations trying to mediate in Liberia's civil war.

A statement from Gambian President Sir Dawda Jawara's office said the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) leader had cancelled the trip to Banjul "for technical reasons."

The Gambian head of state, acting chairman of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), had rescheduled the meeting with the representatives of mediating countries for Monday.

Observers said the ministers had planned to try to convince Mr. Taylor to allow the ECOWAS peace-keeping force to enter Liberia.

Mr. Taylor said Wednesday he would not allow the force to disembark unless he himself had requested it. He dismissed the five-nation mediation group

as a "regional dictatorship club."

The foreign ministers of Togo and Sierra Leone and a member of Ghana's government had already arrived here to meet with Mr. Taylor when he cancelled the visit.

Meanwhile, in Abidjan, Mr. Taylor's foreign minister, Thomas Woewiyu, said the NPFL had "seized soldiers of one of the countries participating" in the West African force set to intervene in the bloody conflict.

Mr. Woewiyu, during a visit to Abidjan, repeated that the NPFL "opposes the West African force" and that "its mission, if it is has one, will be one of the most contested," the Ivory Coast daily Fraternite-Matin reported Thursday.

He revealed that Mr. Taylor's group had seized soldiers from one of the nations staffing the peace force because "they had already been fighting alongside (Liberian President) Samuel Doe's troops for the past few months."

Mr. Doe is holed up in his Executive Mansion in Monrovia.

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#90228d0830 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 16) - An Iraqi Oil Ministry official said Thursday that the United States had allowed tankers to unload Iraqi oil in American ports after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

"Hours after the U.S. announcement of the unjust economic boycott against Iraq, instructions were given to its competent authorities allowing the unloading of shipments of Iraqi oil which were loaded before August 2," the unidentified official said in an Iraqi news agency dispatch monitored here.

"Those shipments were unloaded in the American ports in the past days," the official said.

"The objective of that was to protect the U.S. economic interests and to avoid a stoppage by some of its refineries," the official added.

The Iraqi news agency said that Iraqi oil loaded before the August 2 invasion of Kuwait would continue to arrive in the United States until the middle of September "while most of the oil shipments to Europe before the boycott decision have already arrived and were unloaded there."

The United States championed efforts to impose sanctions against Iraq resulting in an overwhelming vote on August 6 at the U.N. Security Council for a financial, trade and arms embargo on Iraq.

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#90228d0840 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ATHENS (AUG. 16) - Greece is "closely monitoring" the balance of forces between Greece and Turkey following press reports that Ankara is to receive 40 U.S. fighter planes, a government spokesman said Thursday.

The Greek press has reported that U.S. Secretary of State James Baker had pledged to Turkish President Turgut Ozal last week the delivery of 40 F-4E fighter planes in exchange for Turkish support in the Gulf crisis.

The Greek Foreign Ministry has not confirmed the reports.

Asked about the reports, spokesman Vyron Polydoras said Thursday that the Greek government was "closely monitoring" the balance of forces situation in the region.

The pro-government conservative daily Messimvrini said Thursday that the delivery of the U.S. jet fighters would upset the balance of forces between longtime antagonists Greece and Turkey.

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#90228d0860 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RIYADH (AUG. 16) - Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer called Thursday for an immediate meeting of the 13-member Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) to come up with a joint stand on developments in the Gulf.

Nazer's statement came on the heels of a peldge by President George Bush Wednesday not allow a ''single drop'' of Iraqi oil to be exported, in accordance with applying a U.N. Secruity Council resolutuion imposing sanctions on Iraqi for its invasion of Kuwait August 2.

The official Saudi Press Agency added that Saudi Arabia joins other Opec members in calling for the emergency meeting. It was not known whether Iraq would attend.

Spa quoted Nazer as also denying reports that his country had informed its clients of intentions to reduce delivery of its oil to clients by 17 per cent. Nazer reiterated that Saudi Arabia would meet its commitments.

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#90228d1580 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AJACCIO (AUG. 17) - Gasoline (petrol) retailers and local authorities in the French Mediterranean island of Corsica reached a price agreement late Thursday, ending a pump strike that has left hundreds of tourists and boat

operators stranded.

After lengthy talks here, representatives of the two gasoline retailers' organizations said they had accepted a proposal from the oil companies to guarantee them a profit margin of 25 centimes (about four cents) per litre.

Some 170 service stations on the island, closed since Tuesday, were due to reopen early Friday, the representatives added.

The local prefect, Alain Bidou, who negotiated the deal, stressed that Corsica was a special case in gasoline distribution, since many retailers were independents who did not take a commission and lived only on the profit they made against wholesale prices.

Before Thursday's agreement was announced, some 20 taxi drivers parked their vehicles outside the prefect's offices, adding their protests to those of tourists, tour boat operators and fishermen affected by the strike.

Some tourists arriving by car-ferry in Ajaccio and Bastia had stayed in the towns rather than risk running out of fuel on the way to their holiday homes and camping sites.

Corsican gas retailers complained that their profits were significantly reduced following a decision by the French Government to put a ceiling on gasoline prices at the pumps after the sudden rise in oil prices linked to the Gulf crisis.

In Paris Thursday, Gilbert Thibaudeau, head of an association representing most of the 6,000 independent gasoline retailers in France, warned that if the "Corsicans demanded and got something", others on the mainland would follow their example.

In Aveyron, another tourist area in southern France, about a dozen gasoline stations forced to sell at a loss have shut down.

Some stations in Aveyron department, far from the nearest supply depots, were buying a litre of super for 5.68 francs (1.07 dollars), taxes included, but could not sell gasoline for more than 5.61 francs (1.03 dollars).

Four service stations at Arzano in Britanny, northwest France, were reported closed late Thursday.

Bernard Calvet, vice-chairman of Shell France, said Thursday that the oil companies had agreed to the 25-centime untaxed profit margin in Corsica to "calm down the situation", but representatives of the oil companies warned that the measure would not be extended to the mainland.

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#90228d1740 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OTTAWA (AUG. 16) - Overwhelmed by applications for immigrant visas, the Canadian Government has decided to delay consideration of most applications received this month and in September, officials said Thursday.

Canada originally planned to accept some 175,000 immigrants during the course of this year. But, so far, the number of acceptances has been running at an annual rate of more than 200,000, according to Immigration Ministry spokesman Ian Sadinsky.

He said Canadian diplomatic posts abroad had been instructed to limit the granting of visas to would-be immigrants.

Another ministry official, Gerry Maffre, said that with current staffing levels, officials hardly had time to issue tourist visas.

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#90228d1860 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GENEVA (AUG. 17) - Red Cross workers began early Thursday interviewing Iranian prisoners of war held in camps within Iraq, in preparation for the release of some 1,000 Friday, an International Committee of the Red Cross spokesman said.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on Wednesday announced the return of Iranian prisoners of war as part of a sweeping peace pact with Teheran.

The interviews were to identify the prisoners and determine that they would be leaving for home voluntarily, the spokesman said.

The prisoners of war are to be transported by train from the camps to Baghdad, where they will be put on buses for Iran, the spokesman said.

The transfer of prisoners is occur under the supervision of the ICRC, at the request of Iraqi authorities.

The Red Cross pays regular visits to about 17,000 Iranian prisoners of war, but some estimates put the total number at closer to 30,000.

The ICRC said it planned to repatriate about 1,000 Iranian prisoners per day in the coming days. ICRC staff has been reinforced for the operation.

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#90228d2190 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DANBURY, CT (AUG. 17) - A flaw in a mirror that has threatened the 1.5 billion dollar Hubble Space Telescope mission can be fixed in a space shuttle mission planned for 1993, a space official said Thursday.

Charles Pellerin, director of astrophysics with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), told journalists, "The Hubble could actually be better that it could be now" after the shuttle mission.

Lew Allen, director of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, added: "The error that we discovered is one that leads to essentially pure spherical aberration, and that's relatively easy to correct."

Mr. Allen said the aberration had been caused by a 1.3 millimeter error in a measuring device used to grind mirrors.

All that needed to be done, according to Mr. Pellerin, was to replace Hubble's wide-field planetary camera during the planned 1993 space shuttle.

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#90228d2320 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (AUG. 17) - The South Korean government has rejected an investment plan by the Samsung Group to produce heavy construction vehicles and trucks in a technology link with Japan's Nissan Diesel.

The Trade and Industry Ministry said Thursday that the government had turned down the investment plan because the local market of such vehicles would become saturated around the time when Samsung starts production.

Samsung filed an application for a government permission for the plan in July. Vehicle production would have begun in March.

The ministry would consider the application again after next October.

Local press reports said the rejection of the plan was partly the result of hectic lobbying by the country's five existing automobile makers.

They reportedly shuddered when Samsung, one of the country's most powerful business conglomerates, announced the plan that they belived was a prelude for Samsung to produce passenger cars.

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#90228d6110 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 16) - Toray Industries Inc., Japan's top synthetic fiber maker, said Thursday it would invest eight billion yen (54 million dollars) to expand production of polyester filament at its subsidiary in

Indonesia.

P.T. Indonesia Toray Synthetics (ITS), established in 1971, will soon start constructing a facility with a monthly production capacity of 840 tons of polyester filament to come on line in March 1992.

With the added capacity, ITS's monthly production capacity will be expanded to 1,170 tons to meet a growing demand in the Indonesian fiber and textile industries, Toray said.

ITS also produces 1,650 tons of polyester staple and 850 tons of nylon filament per month, Toray said.

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#90228d6180 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 16) - U.S. Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter called for broad support Thursday to pressure the European Economic Community (EEC) to abandon its policy of farm subsidies.

"We don't see any redeeming quality in subsidies," Mr. Yeutter told a news conference, adding that distortions in agricultural trade were "enormously damaging to a country like Malaysia, which is export dependent."

"You simply can't compete with the treasuries of the United States, the EEC and Japan, which have a 100-billion-dollar war chest," he said a day after talks with Malaysian officials.

Mr. Yeutter said the only way to correct distortions in agricultural trade was to generate broad international support for reforms.

He said Washington was asking the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and other countries to join it in pressing vigorously for agricultural trade reforms.

ASEAN groups Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

The issue is part of the Uruguay Round of multi-lateral negotiations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), which is scheduled to be completed by December but is now stalled by differences over the elimination of farm subsidies.

Mr. Yeutter, who later left for Hong Kong to continue a four-nation Asian tour that also covered Thailand and Japan, said various countries would hold bilateral talks to help bring the Uruguay Round to a successful conclusion.

Malaysian Primary Industries Minister Lim Keng Yaik told Mr. Yeutter Wednesday that the United States should not compromise with other countries on a North-North basis, leaving developing countries in the lurch.

Mr. Yeutter also said the United States would not abandon its export enhancement programme introduced in 1986 to counter the EEC's export subsidies on agricultural produce.

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#90228d6280 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 16) - Capital spending by Japanese corporations in plants and equipment will grow by 16.4 percent on a construction basis in fiscal 1990 compared to a year earlier, the Nihon Keizai Shimbun said Thursday.

A survey by the financial daily said the corporations' capital spending plans for the fiscal year ending in March showed no signs of waning.

It would be third consecutive year-to-year double digit increase, the newspaper said.

The survey was based on the private sector's revisions of capital outlay plans originally made in February 1990, the daily said, adding that 1,280 companies had responded to its questionnaire.

But behind the capital spending boom, it warned, was a worsening manpower shortage.

Japanese companies are more interested in investing in labor saving efforts than in production expansion, the Nihon Keizai said.

Although the survey was conducted before Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent stock market plunge, there are few signs of panic among corporate leaders, the report said.

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#90228d6310 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) - Iraq's foreign minister said his country had no intention of starting a war with the United States or Saudi Arabia, but warned that a humiliating defeat was in store for the United States if it launched a conventional war against Iraq.

Tarek Aziz, in an interview with ABC television broadcast late Wednesday, also said his country was ready to talk with the United States or Saudi Arabia without preconditions -- but accused Washington of spurning such talks.

"Iraq is not going to initiate a war," he said. "It's up to the American government.

"If they have come to initiate a war here, I think they will be sorry for that, because they will lose that war. And they will be defeated and that defeat will lead to a great humiliation to your country, which we wouldn't like," he said.

Mr. Aziz added that as a superpower with nuclear weapons, the United States could "erase Iraq from the surface of this globe."

"If they decide to do that we leave it to God to punish," he said. "But if they decide to use normal means of warfare they will lose."

Recalling that Iraq had fought an eight-year war against Iran, he said the Iraqis would withstand an international embargo as well as win a conventional war with the United States.

Mr. Aziz complained that the United States had spurned efforts by private U.S. citizens and by the Iraqi ambassador in Washington to initiate talks on the crisis, which erupted when Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait August 2.

"We don't have any preconditions to start a dialogue with the United States," he said.

"If they want to talk to us in a civilized, respectable manner, we are ready," he said.

Mr. Aziz defended Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, arguing that the oil-rich emirate was part of Iraq until 1913 when the British "imposed a phoney regime of a handful of corrupt sheiks on it and created a separate entity."

Asked what could justify an invasion after 70 years, the Iraqi foreign minister charged that Kuwait and the United States were engaged in a conspiracy to destabilize and impoverish Iraq by producing more oil than their OPEC quota.

"They flooded the market with a glut of oil. They brought down the prices from 18 dollars a barrel to almost 11 dollars a barrel. And that is a conspiracy! That's a war...

"War can be done by arms, war can be done by economy," he said. "So we reached the conclusion that this handful of sheiks, corrupt sheiks, selfish sheiks,
 wanted to destroy this nation."

He denied reports that Iraqi troops had engaged in rape, pillage and

wholesale robbery, blaming people already living in Kuwait.

The New York Times reported earlier this week that Iraqi troops hauled off three to four billion dollars in gold bullion, hard currency and goods from Kuwait to Baghdad after the invasion.

Regarding Iraq's refusal to allow foreigners to leave Kuwait or Iraq, he said it was a "temporary precautionary measure" and pledged that "they will be safe and no harm will affect them."

Mr. Aziz said the government might respond positively to requests to leave in "humantarian cases" such as 10-year-old Penelope Nabokov, of Albany, California. She was allowed to leave this week after being detained in Kuwait and taken to Baghdad with other foreigners caught by the invasion.

The foreign minister also promised to look into the case of a family with a six-year-old daughter and a six-month-old baby in need of medical care for a hernia.

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#90228d6350 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK, Aug 16 (AFP) - Nearly 150 Thai Buddhist monks have tested positive for the virus that causes acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS), a Public Health Ministry official said Thursday.

The official said of 20,516 people nationwide who have tested positive for the virus, 144 were monks.

He said the monks had contracted the virus before entering their religious training and were receiving medical treatment.

The fatal disease destroys the body's immune system.

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#90228d6390 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (AUG. 16) - Radical left-wing students Thursday hurled some 50 petrol bombs at a building used by United States troops in the South Korean capital.

Police said the extent of damage in the attack had not yet been determined. There were no reports of injuries.

Police used tear gas Wednesday evening during clashes with thousands of students from the Yonsei University, some of whom hurled petrol bombs.

The students are protesting a police blockade around the campus designed to

prevent those studying at the college from attending a mass demonstration at Panmunjom on the border between North and South Korea.

Police arrested some 500 students and dissidents during Wednesday night's unrest. Police had deployed around 13,000 officers around Yonsei University.

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#90228d6580 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SUVA (AUG. 16) - Fiji's Reserve (central) Bank has authorized Pakistan's government-owned Habib Bank to operate here, officials said.

Hari Pal Singh, the Reserve Bank's deputy governor, said Habib would open branches in Suva and two other cities in November.

Irshad Chaudhry, Habib's international vice-president, and regional manager Rana Rasheed are currently in Suva to sign the arrangement.

Mr. Rasheed said the Habib bank, which has also applied to operate in New Zealand, has 70 per cent of the market in Pakistan and offices in the Middle East, the United States, Europe and Asia, including in India and Malaysia and,
most recently, in Sydney to help its expansion in the Pacific region.

India's Bank of Baroda is the only Asian bank currently operating here after the Hongkong Shanghai Banking Group withdrew in 1988.

Australia's Westpac Banking Corp., which bought out the Hongkong Shanghai Group, and the Australia New Zealand Banking Group (ANZ), which in February purchased the Bank of New Zealand's interests, also operate here.

Mohammed Akbar, Pakistan's honorary consul in Suva, said Habib's entry underscored the warm ties between the two countries.

Pakistan has recently offered military training to and granted study scholarships to Fiji.

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#90228d6590 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (AUG. 16) - PLO leader Yasser Arafat has proposed that the countries of the Maghreb -- Libya, Algeria, Tunisia and Morocco -- undertake a mediating role in the current Gulf crisis, Western diplomatic sources said here Thursday.

The four states, according to Mr. Arafat, are well-placed to resolve the bitter standoff between Iraq and the West because they are not directly

implicated in the conflict.

Mr. Arafat met Wednesday with Libyan leader Colonel Moamer Kadhafi and Tunisian President Zine al-Abdiin bin Ali and is planning to visit Algeria and Morocco as well.

The Palestinian news agency WAFA reported here that Mr. Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, has sent an urgent message to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on implementing an Arab solution to the crisis, which was sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Iraqi move has led to a huge Western military buildup in the Gulf, notably in Saudi Arabia, and has caused deep splits in the Arab world.

Morocco at last week's emergency Arab summit voted in favor of a resolution condemning the Iraqi invasion and agreed to provide troops to a pan-Arab force to defend Saudi Arabia against a possible attack by Iraq.

Libya voted against the resolution, Algeria abstained and Tunisia refused to attend the summit, charging that it had been ill-prepared.

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#90228d6600 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 16) - Lithuania and the Russian Federation have signed an agreement on economic cooperation and trade exchanges for 1991, Tass news agency reported here Thursday.

The agreement was signed in Vilnius, the Lithuanian capital, by Russian Premier Ivan Silayev and Lithuanian counterpart Kazimiera Prunskiene.

The Russian Federation, which has proclaimed its sovereignty, and Lithuania, which has proclaimed independence, plan on concluding another agreement on future political relations by September, the agency also said.

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#90228d6640 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (AUG. 16) - An American and his daughter were slain Tuesday during a police shootout with a drug trafficker who had taken them hostage, the Saudi Press Agency (SPA) reported Thursday, quoting a Saudi spokesman.

The drug trafficker, pursued by police in Riyadh, seized an American family and the two victims, not yet identified, were killed in a shootout, the spokesman said. The drug trafficker survived and was arrested, the spokesman said.

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#90228d6660 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (AUG. 16) - The president of East Germany's Social Democratic Party, Wolfgang Thierse, said the SPD should pull out of the government coalition because Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere had become too unpredictable.

"I can't imagine how we're going to keep on working with this prime minister, whose reactions are getting more and more unpredictable," he said in a radio interview.

He said the SPD parliamentary group would decide whether to quit the government or not. Given that the parliament is in recess for vacation, that will take a few days, he said.

On Wednesday, Mr. de Maziere sacked Finance Minister Walter Romberg (SPD) and Economy Minister Gerhard Pohl (a Christian Democrat) and accepted the resignations of two other cabinet members, who had no party affiliation.

The SPD now has five ministers in the government: Markus Reider at foreign affairs, Frank Terpe at research and technology, Sybille Reider at commerce and tourism, Regine Hildebrandt at labor and Emil Schell at the post office.

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#90228d6730 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (AUG. 16) - Tropical rainforests are vanishing at an alarming rate, according to visiting United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (Fao) Director-General Edouard Saouma.

The 1970s saw 94,000 square kilometres of rainforest destroyed globally but since 1980 a total of 168,000 square kilometres of the forests have been felled, Saouma announced here.

''We have to face the grim truth that the rate of tropical deforestation has been severely underestimated. Every year, the deforested area grew faster in Africa with 1.7 per cent followed by Asia with 1.4 per cent,'' said Saouma.

Scientists fear the felling of tropical rainforests could lead to a worsening of the global warming phenomenon known as the ''Greenhouse Effect'', heralding potentially-damaging shifts in world climate.

''I am alarmed at the unprecedented speed by which many of the poor countries are losing their natural wealth,'' said Saouma, adding: ''... these countries are irretrievably sacrificing their heritage.''

Saouma urged international support for a global convention on preserving and managing the tropical rainforests. He is due to suggest the parley at an upcoming Fao meeting scheduled for September 24-28.

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#90228d6740 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (AUG. 16) - Iran on Thursday prepared to welcome its prisoners of war held in Iraq as newspapers here described Wednesday's Iraqi peace overture as a major political and military triumph for Teheran.

A 100-member relief team was sent to the western provice of Bakhtaran to receive a first contingent of POWs expected to be freed by Iraq on Friday and taken over land to the Iranian border regions of Qasr-e-Shirin and Khosrawi,
the official news agency IRNA reported here.

The International Committee of the Red Cross announced in Geneva that it was capable of transporting 1,000 Iranian POWs to the border on Friday, half the number promised by Iraq for the first contingent.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, in a dramatic overture to Iran, announced Wednesday that he would withdraw Iraqi troops from Iranian territory seized in the Gulf conflict and begin releasing prisoners of war.

He also bowed to an Iranian demand that a disputed 1975 border accord apply to the Shatt-al-Arab waterway, by terms of which Iran and Iraq will share sovereignty over the strategic river.

Iraq abrogated the agreement in 1980 and fought an eight-year war with Iran to back its demand for complete control over the Shatt-al-Arab.

The government here has yet to respond officially to Mr. Hussein's offer, as a letter addressed to Iranian President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani has not been delivered by formal channels.

But both Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati and newspapers here have hailed the Iraqi turnaround as a major victory.

"Iraqi goodwill will certainly beget Iranian goodwill, as Teheran firmly believes in reciprocating gestures of goodwill," said the English-language Teheran Times.

"Iran and Iraq share many common interests in the region," the paper added. Gulf analysts saw Mr. Hussein's move as a bid to woo Iranian backing in his current test-of-wills with the United States, sparked by the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Iran has condemned the invasion and has said it backs United Nations sanctions against Baghdad.

"By drawing a clear-cut line between regional issues and Iran's national interests, the political leaders of this nation should not allow the country to get involved in a crisis that might prove detrimental to our own national interest and security," the Times added.

Another paper, Kayhan, greeted the Iraqi move with "deep satisfaction" but warned that relations with Iraq should only be considered after the withdrawal of U.S. and British forces from the Gulf.

"When that is accomplished, dealing with Iraq can take place in an atmosphere of calm in the community of neighbors," according to Kayhan.

"The Americans must go and her allies should persuade her to do so before she drags the world into turmoil with vastly unpredictable consequences."

The United States and Britain and several other Western nations have bolstered their air and naval presence in the Gulf to enforce U.N. sanctions against Iraq and to defend Saudi Arabia.

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#90228d6840 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 16) - It will take up to five years to rebuild the areas damaged by the July earthquake that ravaged the Philippines' main island of Luzon, an aide of President Corazon Aquino said here Thursday.

Presidential assistant Jose de Jesus said the earthquake damaged about 11.5 billion pesos (475.2 million dollars) worth of properties, adding that government workers were repairing some areas damaged by the quake.

The more lengthy phase of "reconstruction and development" in other severely damaged areas will take about one to five years, he said.

Mr. de Jesus said efforts will be concentrated in the next five months on priority projects that include the repair of damaged roads, bridges, irrigation systems, and telecommunication and power facilities.

He said the government will still have to decide whether to relocate or reconstruct the whole northern city of Dagupan which sank by about one meter (yard). Experts say the city was built on an unstable and sandy area.

The government has not yet identified a relocation site for Dagupan since it was still awaiting the recommendations of geological experts assigned to survey the area, Mr. de Jesus added.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Embassy here said Monday that Washington donated 20 million dollars to help Manila in its earthquake rehabilitation program.

U.S. ambassador Nicholas Platt said the money will primarily be used to rebuild more than 250 primary schools, an embassy statement said.

The July 16 earthquake left more than 2,000 people dead or missing, and thousands of others homeless.

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#90228d6920 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (AUG. 16) - South Korea is gearing up for the concluding negotiations of the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade talks, eager to make sure that its case will he heard by the developed world, a senior official said here Thursday.

The government has ordered all ministries affected by the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade negotiations, which resume at the end of August, to prepare arguments to back up government positions, the official said.

Agricultural questions, especially the politically volatile issue of beef, are Seoul's main worries.

Beef-exporting countries such as the United States, Australia and New Zealand have complained to GATT and put pressure on South Korea to liberalize the beef market.

Seoul insists that opening the beef market further would be detrimental to its cattle farmers, most of whom own just a few head of cattle.

A senior official at the Economic Planning Board (EPB) said Seoul would try to get a grace period "of at least 10 years" before fully liberalizing the market on beef.

A grace period will also be sought on liberalizing rice, a staple here, the official said.

But a Western diplomat said South Korea would not be able to get the grace period it wants on beef.

"If that's what they think, they should never have signed a piece of paper that says they would liberalize the market by 1997," the diplomat said, referring to a bilateral agreement signed with the United States earlier this year.

South Korea nonetheless is planning to make its case when the 15 negotiating groups of the Uruguay Round, which will discuss specific

issues, reconvene in Geneva for their final month-long talks.

From October 1 on, the negotiations will be conducted on a global basis before the Uruguay Round is concluded in December.

"Up to October 1, there's room left for separate negotiations," the EPB official said.

South Korea, like many developing countries in the region, was not altogether pleased with the results of the GATT Trade Negotiation Committee conference in July.

On the agricultural issue, Seoul can count on backing from Japan, which holds nearly identical views.

"They are singing from the same page of the hymnbook -- backing high-support prices," said the diplomat.

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#90228d6980 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 16) - William Thomson, a veteran of the U.S. Treasury Department, has been appointed vice-president for operations of the Asian Development Bank (ADB), it was announced here Thursday.

Mr. Thomson replaces fellow American S. Stanley Katz, who is leaving the ADB on September 30 after more than 12 years of service, a bank statement said.

Mr. Thomson, 50, is an economist and engineer with 16 years' experience in the Treasury Department and is currently alternate executive director to the ADB board of directors.

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#90228d6990 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (AUG. 16) - Iranian President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani Thursday stressed that peace between Iran and Iraq was a separate issue from the current Gulf crisis and renewed a demand for an Iraqi military withdrawal from Kuwait.

Mr. Rafsanjani, according to the Iranian news agency IRNA, made the remarks in a telephone conversation with Turkish President Turgut Ozal.

Iraq on Wednesday offered to accept Iranian terms for a formal settlement of the Iran-Iraq war.

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#90228d7080 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (AUG. 16) - The port of Dubai has refused an Iraqi request for two freighters to load cargo here in defiance of a United Nations embargo, a port official said Thursday.

David Gibbons of Dubai's Port Rashid Authority said the Iraqi freighters, Al-Abid and Al-Baya, were anchored in the Gulf more than three miles (five kilometres) off the emirate.

"There has been a request on their behalf from Iraqi sources for them to load here but we have told them we have no space or labour available for working these ships at the moment," he said.

Mr. Gibbons declined to elaborate on the source of the request and said the rejection was not linked to U.N. sanctions imposed on Baghdad after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

"We're running a commercial port and we're not in a position to accept the ships," he said. "So it hasn't reached the stage where I have to ask the government here whether they can dock."

He said the two ships were "fairly small cargo vessels" waiting to load goods for Iraq. He could not specify the nature of the cargo.

The United States and Britain have said their navies would interdict any ships attempting to take goods to or from Iraq and Iraqi-controlled Kuwait.

Saudi Arabia on Monday turned away an Iraqi tanker from the Red Sea port of Yanbu.

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#90228d7090 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 16) - World rubber consumption in the first quarter of 1990 fell by 20,000 tons or 0.5 percent from the same period of 1989, to 3.97 million tons, the International Rubber Study Group said Thursday.

The fall was largely due to lower usage in the United States.

Natural rubber (NR) consumption fell by 10,000 tons (0.7 percent) to 1.33 million tons, as a decline in demand of some 40,000 tons or 16.4 percent in the United States was not sufficiently offset by small increases in France, West Germany, Africa, Japan and in producing countries in South-East Asia.

Synthetic rubber (SR) consumption also fell, by 10,000 tons or 0.4 per cent, to 2.63 million tons.

A 50,000 ton reduction of demand in the United States was not counterbalanced by increases in other countries, although the Soviet Union had an estimated increase of 30,000 tons.

The decline in U.S. demand was mainly the result of a slowdown in tyre sales, the Study Group said.

NR production fell by 20,000 tons or 1.6 percent to 1.25 million tons. Production increased in Thailand, India, China and some African countries but decreased in Malaysia.

SR production fell by 5,000 tons or 0.2 percent to 2.61 million tons, with a 40,000 ton decrease in U.S. production and small reductions in some Western European countries offset by small increases in Eastern Europe, Asia and Latin America.

World stocks of NR at the end of March 1990 had fallen to 1.41 million tons, 215,000 tons lower than at the end of March 1989, while those of SR were 110,000 tons lower at 1.52 million tons.

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#90228d7250 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 16) - Hundreds of Filipino workers who fled the Gulf area arrived here Thursday on flights from Jordan and confirmed reports about rape and other atrocities allegedly committed by Palestinian volunteers in the Iraqi Army.

The estimated 700 workers came in aboard two Philippine Airlines planes sent by the government to evacuate thousands of Filipinos stranded in the Gulf region since Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait earlier this month.

A 35-year-old woman employed as a seamstress said she was raped at gunpoint at her flat's kitchen by Palestinian soldiers who had broken into homes in Kuwait.

''They did not undress me. They simply asked me to take off my underwear. I couldn't do anything. The gun was pointed at me,'' the woman told reporters at Manila airport.

She said three soldiers took turns abusing her. Afterwards she was allowed to escape and cross the border with Jordan.

Her revelation was the first official confirmation of reports that many Filipino women workers were among those allegedly raped by the invading Iraqi soldiers.

The woman said her other companions in the same flat suffered the same fate at the hands of troops who threatened to kill them if they refused.

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#90228d7580 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 16) - Soviet rock star Viktor Tsoi has been killed in a car accident, the manager of his group announced Thursday, according to TASS news agency.

Viktor Tsoi, leader of Kino, one of the Soviet Union's most popular bands, was on his way back Tuesday from a fishing holiday near Riga, Latvia, when his car collided with an oncoming bus, police said.

The Korean-born star, in his thirties, played to huge crowds at Moscow's olympic stadium in June. Internationally he was best known in France.

He acted in the Soviet film "Assa" and was due to make a singing tour in South Korea and Japan.

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#90228d7600 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (AUG. 16) - President Suharto on Wednesday ruled out changing the Indonesian political system or returning to liberal democracy but promised more tolerance towards differences of opinion.

In his state of the nation address, Mr. Suharto said reformation and modernisation of Indonesian political life had started in the late 1960s under his New Order administration.

The series of policies adopted to regulate the political system since then "have put political life in order, so that now we have three socio-political forces," he said in his address to mark Indonesia's 45th independence anniversary on August 17.

He said parliamentary or liberal democracy adopted in the 1950s had disappointing results as governments toppled one after another in quick succession.

The "Guided Democracy" initiated by Indonesia's first president, Sukarno, in 1959-65 was equally dissapointing, he said, adding that it culminated in an aborted coup attempt by the now-defunct Communist Party of Indonesia (PKI).

Under Mr. Suharto, the government has limited the number of political parties to three since 1972, and required that all three pledge allegiance

to Pancasila, the state ideology stipulating belief in one God, humanitarianism, national unity, democracy through concensus, and social justice.

"Past ways of managing the political and economic life were apparently unable to secure national stability and economic growth ... We are developing our own society in accordance with our own (Pancasila) model," he said.

Mr. Suharto, 68, rose to power in 1967 after leading the army mobilised to quash the communist coup attempt. He has since been re-elected five times unopposed to rule this archipelago nation of 184 million people.

The president said with Pancasila now deeply embedded in the country's political life, everyone and every group "must feel comfortable."

"There have been moments when we have had to worry about differences of opinion, namely at times when our society has had different ideologies.

"If we are now still worried about the diversity of opinions, this does not only mean that we have doubts about the strength of Pancasila, but it can also hamper the growth of Pancasila itself," he said.

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#90228d7640 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 16) - Three Americans, two men and a woman, Thursday reached Amman safely by car from Baghdad, the U.S. embasssy said here.

But the embassy would provide no other details of their arrival, which came shortly after a French woman also made it to the Jordanian capital from Baghdad by road.

Thousands of other Westerners remain both in Iraq and in Iraqi-controlled Kuwait, although small groups have recently managed to reach either Saudi Arabia or Jordan.

Informed sources here have said the Jordanian-Iraqi border has been closed to North Americans and Western Europeans wanting to leave Iraq but remains open to Africans, Asians, Latin Americans and East bloc nationals.

The restrictions were imposed in the wake of international condemnation and sanctions against Iraq for its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90228d7730 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (AUG. 16) - A joint team of U.S. and Vietnamese experts has found

the remains of 20 people believed to be U.S. soldiers missing in action (MIAs) during the Vietnam war, a government speration said here Thursday.

"Since the beginning of this operation, on August 6, 70 bodies have been exhumed of which 20, according to U.S. experts, could be those of MIAs," the foreign ministry spokesman said.

A fifth U.S. team arrived in Vietnam Wednesday to join the current search operation, the eleventh of its kind since 1988, the spokesman said.

The new team would be working in Nghe Tinh province south of Hanoi, he said.

Search operations began in September 1988, 13 months after the visit to Hanoi of General John Vessey, former president Ronald Reagan's special envoy with responsibility for MIAs.

According to the Pentagon, 2,353 U.S. soldiers disappeared during the war: 1,719 in Vietnam, 545 in Laos, 83 in Cambodia and six in China.

According to U.S. sources, about 60 of the total 250 bodies so far exhumed have been identified as those of U.S. soldiers.

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#90228d7780 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 16) - The Prince and Princess of Wales are to make an official visit to India next February, Buckingham Palace announced Thursday.

They were invited by President Venkataraman, who made a state visit to Britain earlier this year. The visit will be the first to India by Princess Diana. Prince Charles was there in 1975 and 1980.

Britain's Queen Elizabeth and husband Prince Philip visited India in 1961 and 1983, and the prince has been there at least five other times.

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#90228d7830 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (AUG. 16) - Indonesia Thursday appeared ready to reject a Saudi Arabian plan to request troops to assist the Gulf kingdom against a possible threat from Iraq, the official Antara news agency said.

Indonesia would only send troops as part of a United Nations peace-keeping force, Antara quoted Armed Forces Chief General Try Sutrisno as saying.

"Indonesia remains consistent in pursuing an active and independent foreign

policy and stays neutral and impartial (in any conflict)," Gen. Try said, commenting on reports that Saudi's King Fahd was sending an envoy to ask Jakarta for troops to help guard the holy cities of Mecca and Medina.

Saudi Ambassador to Indonesia Talaat Amin Hamdi said Wednesday that the envoy, Deputy Foreign Minister Sheikh Abdul Aziz Thannayan, was to arrive in Jakarta late Thursday after a similar mission in Kuala Lumpur.

Antara also quoted Indonesian State Secretary Murdiono and Foreign Minister Ali Alatas as saying that Indonesia has had no tradition of sending its troops to side with any one party in an international conflict.

Indonesia had only sent its troops abroad at the request of the United Nations to join international peace keeping forces, Mr. Alatas said.

Indonesia, the world's biggest Moslem nation, has kept a neutral stance on the Gulf crisis, falling short of condemning the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and reluctantly joined the U.N. mandated trade embargo against Iraq.

Parliamentary Speaker Kharis Suhud however took a stronger stance Wednesday condemning the invasion and said that the action violated the norms of international laws.

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#90228d7840 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 16) - Japanese executives, eager to do more business in Vietnam, are pinning their hopes on a visit there this weekend by a potential Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) leader.

Michio Watanabe is to visit Cambodia and Vietnam in an attempt to boost progress on the Cambodian conflict and Tokyo's relations with Hanoi.

He will arrive in Cambodia from Thailand on Saturday and will proceed to Vietnam and is later expected in Thailand and Indonesia on his week-long trip.

Although Japan is now Vietnam's second largest trading partner, after the Soviet Union, two-way trade last year totalled just 519 million dollars because of outstanding differences over the Cambodian civil war.

However, in the five months to May, bilateral trade increased sharply.

Industry statistics showed Japanese exports up 85 percent from the same period last year at 13.5 billion yen (90 million dollars), while imports doubled to hit 29.5 billion yen (196 million dollars).

Tokyo recognised the resistance coalition fighting the Phnom Penh

government installed by Vietnam when it invaded the country in December, 1978.

Watanabe, a senior ruling party deputy who has been tipped as an eventual party leader and Japanese prime minister, went to Vietnam in May and met Vietnamese leaders, including Prime Minister Do Muoi.

In an interview published Thursday in the Japan Times, Watanabe said he believed "Moscow's influences on Vietnam, both military and economic, have been largely reduced because of its domestic reform movement."

"Vietnamese leaders told me they wanted no more wars, stressed the need of more economic assistance and wished to be allowed to join the world community to achieve reconstruction of their poverty-stricken nation," he said.

Japan, like the United States, has worked to isolate Vietnam in recent years, banning all economic assistance since its invasion of Cambodia.

However, relations between Vietnam and the United States have improved recently and U.S. Secretary of State James Baker's said last month that Washington would no longer recognise the Cambodian resistance coalition at the United Nations.

Japanese firms see these as encouraging signs as they launch a major offensive on Vietnam's potential market of 65 million people.

Vietnam is "the last remaining Southeast Asian market of the future with abundant natural resources and a cheap labor force," one Japanese industrial source said.

Japanese executives view Vietnam as a better potential market than the Soviet Union because of its geographical situation and its natural resources, particularly coal, oil, wood and agricultural produce.

Crude oil accounts for 60 percent of Japan's imports from Vietnam, while major exports include electrical appliances, autos, motorcycles and textiles.

In 1989, Japan imported 27,000 barrels of oil a day from Vietnam, an increase of 300 percent from the previous year and 70 percent of the country's total output, according to Japanese statistics.

Mitsubishi Corp., the main importer of Vietnam's oil, recently applied to open representative offices in Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City this year.

Mitsui and Nissho-Iwai, Japan's second and sixth largest trading houses respectively, have already opened offices in Vietnam. Mitsubishi plans to

invest in major projects, including exploring new oilfields.

Meiwa trading house, a subsidiary of Mitsubishi, is currently holding talks with Hanoi on an agreement to export Vietnamese rice to China, Southeast Asia and Latin America. Meiwa already exports 40,000 to 60,000 tons of Vietnamese anthracite a year to Japan, South Korea and Southeast Asia.

Toyomenka Kaisha is currently building a glue factory in Vietnam, while Daimaru Kogyo Ltd., part of the giant Daimaru retail group, was involved in building an animal feed factory, which is to open at the end of August and will export its products to Japan.

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#90228d7890 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 16) - Crack police squads ended two separate hostage-taking incidents in Soviet jails Wednesday, killing four prisoners in the process, according to media reports here Thursday.

Police and KGB officers ended a five-day siege in a prison in Sukhumi, in the southern Georgian republic, by rushing two prisoners as they tried to board a minibus with two hostages.

The hostages and some security officers were wounded in the firefight, while the two prisoners later died of their wounds, according to the Interfax news agency.

Police forces then stormed the detention centre which had been taken over by 75 inmates on Saturday after they had seized two prison guards and taken their weapons.

Meanwhile, in the central Russian city of Tula, armed police Wednesday rushed two prisoners who had taken several sales assistants hostage at a prison shop, killing both men, Tass news agency reported.

The hostages were not hurt.

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#90228d7970 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 16) - Average earnings in Britain rose ten percent in the year to June and the number of jobless increased for the fourth month in a row, according to figures released here Thursday, prompting official calls for wage restraint.

The employment ministry said that the increase in earnings, up from a 9.75 percent year on year rise in May and the first time the annual increase had reached double figures since May 1982 threatened to push up unemployment.

The warning came as jobless figures published Thursday showed that the number of unemployed had risen by 10,900 in July over the June level to 1.629 million, although the unemployment rate was unchanged at 5.7 percent.

Both the rise in average earnings and the jobless figures were worse than market forecasts, which had expected a 9.75 percent earnings rise, the same level as in May, and a boost of between 7,000 and 8,000 in the number of unemployed.

"Job creation has slowed," Under Secretary of State for Employment Robert Jackson said after the release of the figures. "Pay negotiators should remember that unrealistic settlements put people's jobs at risk and can also destroy the chances for future jobs growth."

The Treasury echoed this view, saying that the increase in the number of jobless marked a slowdown in the economy and also calling for wage restraint. "Excessive wage growth means fewer jobs," a Treasury spokesman said.

Other figures released Thursday showed that productivity rose 2.8 percent in the year to June, against 2.5 percent in the year to May. The Treasury said that the public sector showed a three billion pound (5.6 billion dollars) surplus in July, more than double market forecasts of a surplus of 1.4 billion pounds (2.6 billion dollars).

The July surplus included 1.3 billion pounds (2.4 billion dollars) in income from privatizations, in particular the second stage of staggered payment for shares in regional water companies.

But the good July figure represented "no change in fortunes for public finances," warned Simon Briscoe, an economist with Midland Montagu. "The higher receipts seem due to a change in the seasonal pattern of company tax payments" and this was a temporary factor which would be counterbalanced in coming months, he added.

Over the first four months of the financial year which began in April, the public sector deficit - central government, local government and services, and state-owned enterprise - has reached 3.1 billion pounds (5.8 billion dollars), against 1.5 billion (2.8 billion dollars) in the same period last year.

The figures have been undermined by non-payment or late payment of a controversial new local tax, the poll tax, with local authorities being forced to take out loans to fill the gap. The July figures show no improvement in this respect, Briscoe said.

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#90228d8010 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEL AVIV (AUG. 16) - A 19-year-old West German tourist who arrived this week in Israel came better prepared than most of the country's 4.5 million population.

A picture in the mass circulation Yediot Aharanot showed the young man complete with the gas mask he had brought with him from Germany ''just so my mother doesn't worry''.

His mother no doubt shares the fear of many Israelis that Saddam Hussein will soon fulfill his threat of April 1990 ''to scorch half of Israel'' with missiles tipped with deadly chemical weapons.

Recent weeks have seen Israelis have been buying German Draeger gasmasks in unprecedented quantities. Customers stand three deep at the counter of a Tel Aviv store specialising in the sale of safety equipment and clamour for protection kits to kit out all the family.

This can be an expensive business, but as one customer put it: ''how can you put a price on life? I'm buying four sets of gas masks and protective clothing for my entire family. Instead of going on holiday this year, we will have protection.''

But senior Army officers and government ministers say there is no need. ''Many people have panicked and are rushing to buy equipment for which there is no justification,'' said one senior officer. ''Home Guard storerooms have enough equipment for everyone.''

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#90228d8050 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 16) - The French current account balance showed a deficit of 1.2 billion francs (226 million dollars) in June, according to seasonally-adjusted figures released here Thursday.

This was down from a 7.6 billion franc (1.4 billion dollars) deficit in May, the economy ministry said.

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#90228d8070 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HERZOGENAURACH, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 16) - West German sports footwear maker Puma warned Thursday it was expecting to make a loss of 3.6 million Deutsche marks (2.25 million dollars) this year.

The increase of the loss over last year's consolidated deficit of 2.6 million marks (1.6 million dollars), was the result of a fire at a

Philippines subsidiary last month, Puma said in a letter to shareholders. About a million pairs of shoes were lost in the fire, it said.

Puma had received orders up 25.2 percent at 223.6 million Deutsche marks (139.7 million dollars) in the first half of 1990, but had been unable to fill many of them because of the Philippines fire.

This led to an 8.8 percent fall in consolidated sales in the first half to 261.6 million marks (163.5 million dollars).

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#90228d8190 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 16) - Exiled former South African newspaper editor Donald Woods Thursday returned back to the country he fled 12 years ago, saying he was not bitter about being away from the country so long.

At a media conference at Jan Smuts airport here, Mr. Woods said he always intended to concentrate on "who killed Steve Biko" when he returned to South Africa but felt people should heed black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela's call to build a new future and rather than rake over the past.

Mr. Woods fled South Africa on December 31 1977, barely three months after the death of his close friend Steve Biko in detention. At the time of his escape, he was banned by the government and could not work as the editor of the Daily Dispatch in the eastern port city of East London.

The friendship between Mr. Biko, a leading Black Consciousness (BC) activist in the Eastern Cape province, and Mr. Woods was the subject of a film "Cry Freedom" which was immediately banned by the South African government on release in 1988 but unbanned last year.

Mr. Woods and his family were the targets of a concerted harrassment campaign before they fled the country. In one incident, T-shirts impregnated with poison was sent to his children and the family received several death threats.

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#90228d8210 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG 16) - Egyptian authorities prevented an Iraqi cargo ship from using the Suez Canal on grounds that the vessel had failed to pay 12,000 dollars in transit fees, press reports said here Thursday.

The Zein al-Qaws arrived at Port Said on Tuesday with a cargo of food, the reports said, without naming the origin of the shipment.

An official with the Suez Canal Authority on Tuesday said Egypt, despite

United Nations sanctions against Iraq, could not prevent Iraqi ships from using the Canal simply because it opposed Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

He explained that Egypt was committed to freedom of navigation in the Canal under terms of the 1888 Constantinople accord.

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#90228d8300 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 16) - The normalization of Iraqi-Iranian relations and the application of U.N. resolutions will contribute to resolving the Gulf crisis, deputy Soviet Foreign Minister Alexander Belonogov said Thursday, according to Tass.

At a meeting with the Iranian Ambassador to Moscow,Naser Heirany, Mr. Belonogov said, "The application of U.N. Security Council Resolution 598 and the resolution of outstanding issues between Iraq and Iran represent an important step toward strengthening stability in the region."

The resolution, accepted by Baghdad on its unanimous approval in July 1987 and endorsed by Teheran a year later, called for a cease-fire, the repatriation of all prisoners of war, the withdrawal of forces to internationally recognized borders and the creation of a United Nations observer force.

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#90228d8320 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (AUG. 16) - Government troops trying to quell a Tamil separatist campaign in northeastern Sri Lanka shot and killed at least 24 militants, military officials said Thursday.

A senior defence official said Thursday meanwhile that more than 2,413 people had been killed since renewed violence between the government and Tamil militants erupted two months ago.

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#90228d8530 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 16) - Nigeria's military government is to appoint civilian deputies this month to assist military governors in all 21 states of the federation, President Ibrahim Babangida said in an interview published here Thursday.

The scheme is part of administrative changes being worked out by the government for a transition to civilian rule, expected to culminate with the military handing over power to civilians on October 1, 1992, Mr.

Babangida told the independent Tribune newspaper.

"We are coming out with a lot of innovations where (military) governors would be having less to do with actual governance", the president said.

He recalled that in 1978, under the regime of retired General Olusegun Obasanjo, "we had the (military) administrators and vice chairmen of the state executive councils", adding, " We probably will come out with similar arrangement so that there is gradual disengagement" of the military from politics.

Military administrators handed over power to elected politicians on October 1, 1979. Four years later the military seized power, and in August 1985, the present regime took power after a coup.

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#90228d8590 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (AUG. 16) - Thousands of people joined an opposition street rally in central Dhaka Thursday calling for the resignation of the government of Bangladesh President Hussain Muhammad Ershad and fresh general elections.

Chanting crowds accused the eight-year old government of corruption and economic mismanagement.

At least 25,000 people attended the rally called by the opposition Awami League to mark the anniversary of the assasination of the party's founder Sheikh Mujibur Rahman in a military coup in 1975.

''The government has broken all previous records of corruption and has no right to stay in power,'' said Sheikh Hasina Wazed, daughter and political heir of the murdered leader.

Sheikh Hasina declared her party would boycott next year's presidential election, as it would surely be rigged. She called for Ershad's resignation and polls under a caretaker government.

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#90228d8600 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHARTOUM (AUG. 16) - The Sudanese military government Thursday said its talks with the International Monetary Fund over economic reforms being sought by the Imf were deadlocked, with Khartoum resisting the Imf proposals as unacceptable.

Finance Minister Abdel Rahim Hamdi said the two sides ''reached the deadlock after the fund put forward a number of tough economic measures to be implemented before mid-September''.

The minister pointed to the demand by the Imf to devalue the pound from 12.10 to 25 pounds to the dollar, something which he said was unacceptable to Khartoum. The measures would only lead to price hikes, something which the locals would not be able to afford.

He said the Imf threatened to declare Sudan a ''non-cooperating country in case the measures were not implemented'' and that the Imf was pressing Khartoum immediately to pay 20 million dollars and 135 million dollars by the end of the current fiscal year in June 1991.

Sudan, one of the poorest countries in the world, has an external debt of 13 billion dollars, mostly owed to Western financial institutions.

Hamdi said despite the costly civil war in the south of the country and an international economic blockade against the Sudan ''we have already prepared ourselves to rely on our national resources by adopting a self-reliance polic''.

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#90228d8710 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 16) - Some 50 Albanian refugees who camped out in the centre of Paris overnight in a bid to emigrate to the United States were told by U.S. consular officials Thursday that only those with relatives there were eligible for visas.

Consular officials said they did not know how many of the 543 Albanians who arrived in France a month ago after holing up in foreign embassies in Tirana wanted to leave for the United States.

The U.S. embassy was closed Wednesday for the Roman Catholic Assumption Day holiday when Albanians from a refugee centre at Emance near Paris gathered outside to ask to be allowed to emigrate to the United States.

Two consular officials Thursday explained immigration procedures to representatives of the refugees who had camped out overnight in the Place Madeleine square, they said.

They told the Albanians to submit their requests to one of three private charities designated to act as intermediaries and explain immigration procedures.

The French Solidarity Ministry, responsible for the refugees' welfare, said Wednesday the Albanians were confused by the lengthy and complex immigration procedures.

The diplomats advised the many Albanians who have expressed the wish to

emigrate to the United States, but do not have relatives in the United States, to apply to remain in France.

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#90228d8720 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG (AUGUST 16) - The 15th World Cancer Congress Thursday opened here with West German Parliament President Rita Suessmuth saying an early diagnosis of cancer may save the life of patients.

The former health minister said in the opening speech that one third of all cancer cases could be healed if an early diagnosis was made and another third would not get cancer if an early check-up was made.

In West Germany, only 11 per cent of the men and 30 per cent of the women make use of free check-ups, Suesmuth added.

About 10,000 cancer experts will take part in the seven-day-long congress, which is organised by the International Union Against Cancer and the West German Cancer Society.

Japan and the United States are represented by about 1,000 research specialists, the Soviet Union by more than 300.

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#90228d8820 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 16) - Oil prices rose sharply Thursday, after news that Saudi Arabia was to reduce deliveries to Japan, as hopes faded of a rapid OPEC meeting to raise output quotas to compensate for lost Iraqi and Kuwaiti supplies.

In London, Brent North Sea crude for October delivery opened at 26.45 dollars a barrel, against 25.12 dollars at Wednesday's close, and had risen to 26.80 dollars by mid-session.

The Japanese ministry of international trade and industry said that Saudi Arabia had told five Japanese oil companies it was cutting crude exports to Japan by 16 per cent from next month.

The move by Japan's second largest oil supplier came as a surprise and was expected to directly reduce imports by 40,000 barrels a day, officials said.

But they said the decision could involve up to 100,000 barrels a day as the cutback is being imposed on major oil companies in the United States and Europe which also export to Japan.

One trader said Saudi Arabia wanted to compensate the countries most affected by a halt to Kuwaiti and Iraqi exports due to international sanctions following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, such as India, Pakistan, Brazil and perhaps Turkey.

Another European analyst said that Riyadh was seeking to find oil to deliver to the three European refineries of Kuwait Petroleum International (KPI), which normally buys 400,000 barrels of Kuwaiti crude a day.

A KPI spokesman had said in London Monday that they were negotiating with Saudi Arabia.

Meanwhile efforts by Venezuela and Saudi Arabia to arrange a rapid Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries meeting to agree an output increase to compensate for the four million barrels a day being lost to the market due to an embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil, looked likely to fail.

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#90228d8850 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ALEXANDRIA (AUG. 16) - Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak Thursday said here he opposed a U.S. plan to topple his Iraqi counterpart Saddam Hussein after a possible Iraqi pullout from Kuwait.

Mubarak told the U.S. television network Cnn that trying to remove Hussein after an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the restauration of the Kuwaiti regime was unacceptable.

''We differ with the Americans'' in this case because it would mean interference in Iraq's internal affairs, he said.

United States President George Bush recently said his administration would try to topple Saddam because his troops occupied Kuwait on August 2 and in order to prevent other Iraqi ''aggressions''. American troops were being dispatched to neighbouring Saudi Arabia.

Mubarak told Cnn that Egypt would send about 2,000 troops to Saudi Arabia in order to help prevent a possible Iraqi attack against the kingdom. More would be dispatched if needed.

Syria will send troops to Saudi Arabia ''in one or two days'' and Moroccan soldiers will also be stationed there.

Asked whether war might occur in the Gulf, Mubarak said: ''I do not like war by nature as a former military man during the October War (between Arab states and Israel in 1973).''

''I hope that Saddam Hussein will respond to peace proposals and avoid a

disaster that might take place,'' he added.

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#90228d8900 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GENEVA, UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 16) - Amnesty International expressed concern Thursday over the fate of Iraqi political prisoners, including critics of the Saddam Hussein regime arrested in Kuwait after the invasion two weeks ago.

Many people were jailed in Iraq for involvement in non-violent political activities, Amnesty representative Mel James told the U.N. sub-commission on human rights.

"Amnesty International is seriously concerned about the fate of Iraqi exiles, many of whom aere known to be non-violent critics of the government, who have been arrested in Kuwait in recent weeks", she added. Iraq invaded its tiny oil-rich neighbour August 2.

"In that country, any public statement considered 'insulting' to the authorities can lead to imprisonment or execution", she said of Iraq. "Hundreds of people have been arrested, for example, for refusing to join the ruling Ba'ath Party, or just on suspicion of holding views critical of the government." Meanwhile "The families of prisoners of conscience in Iraq live in perpetual fear for their lives".

Worldwide, at least 1,500 political prisoners remain jailed in more than 70 countries, Amnesty said, adding "we believe thousands more are in prison, often on trumped up charges, when all they have acutally done is voice unpopular views." Singling out some of the worst offenders, in addition to Iraq, the representative cited China, Cuba, Malawi, Sudan, Syria, Turkey, and Vietnam.

In China "torture and unfair trials are commonplace and many are held without charge or trial". Among the hundreds of political prisoners believed by Amnesty to be held there were people detained for participating in the pro-democracy movement of the late 1970s.

Also under arrest, according to Amnesty, were people seeking freedom of religion, those picked up while demonstrating peacefully for Tibetan independence, and others who took part in the pro-democracy demonstrations of June 1989.

In Cuba, at least 80 dissidents had been jailed since early 1989, 50 of whom were still in prison.

Turning to Africa, Amnesty said hundreds, possibly thousands, of prisoners of conscience had been imprisoned in Malawi since that country became

independent 25 years ago. In Sudan, more than 250 political prisoners had been jailed, but not charged, since a coup last June.

In Syria, where torture of prisoners of conscience was "routine", at least 300 people were imprisoned without having been indicted or sentenced. Torture was also commonplace in Turkey and some political prisoners were condemned after unfair trials, the human rights watchdog said.

Constitutional amendments and legislative changes announced last year marked a positive step, but had not brought an end to the arrest and imprisonment of non-violent dissidents, Amnesty said.

In Vietnam, despite reforms and changes in government policy, authorities were continuing to jail people for endangering state security, a very loosely-defined charge, Amnesty said.

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#90228d9050 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA (AUG. 16) - Bulgaria had 22,437 unemployed workers at the end of June, Bulgarian news agency BTA said on Thursday.

Among the job-seekers, 41 percent were less than 30 years old, 60 percent are manual laborers, and 63 percent are women, BTA said, quoting Bulgarian employment agencies. Under communism, unemployment officially did not exist in Bulgaria.

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#90228d9120 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 16) - The mujahedeen resistance fired 12 rockets into the Afghan capital Kabul on Thursday killing three people and injuring 14, the state-run Kabul Radio said in a report monitored here.

The injured were hospitalized, the radio said, adding that the Saker rockets hit residential areas also causing damage to property.

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#90228d9130 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NABLUS (AUG. 16) - A leaflet signed by anonymous ''National Figures of Palestine'' was circulated Thursday in the Israeli-occupied territories, criticising Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and ''the conquest of countries by force.''

It was the first public condemnation of Baghdad in the name of Palestinians in the occupied territories since Iraqi troops invaded and annexed Kuwait earlier this month.

However, the leaflet supported Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's plan for a withdrawal of all occupying forces in the Middle East.

It condemned the ''Saudi-Egyptian-Moroccan connection which serves as a fig-leaf for the strengthening of American imperialist interests in the area.''

Also on Thursday, some 300 demonstrators in the West Bank town of Nablus staged a pro-Saddam rally chanting, ''We are with you till victory''.

Israeli troops, who have been given orders to use force to break up such rallies, used tear gas and rubber bullets to disperse the demonstrators. At least one Palestininian was arrested when demonstrators hurled bottles and stoness.

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#90228d9150 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 16) - Royal Insurance, a leading British insurance company, announced Thursday that it had a pre-tax loss of 65 million pounds (123 million dollars) in the first half of the year, compared with a 119-million-pound profit for the same period last year.

The company blamed the poor performance on bad weather at the start of the year (storms in Europe and floods in Australia), which cost it 169 million pounds in the first half, against 47 million for such phenomena in the first six months of 1989.

Other factors included a greater number of robberies and an increase in claims in the auto sector, it said.

The loss exceeded the 40 to 60 million pounds expected by analysts.

After allowance for taxes, minority holdings and dividend payments, the total loss for the first half was 100 million pounds, contributing to a drop in shareholders' equity (capital plus reserves) to 2.19 billion pounds at the end of June, against 2.52 billion a year earlier.

However, the interim dividend was increased by 4.7 percent to 11.25 pence per share, against 10.75 for the year-earlier period. Net assets per share fell from 519 to 447 pence.

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#90228d9310 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARA (AUG. 16) - The Pan Africanist Congress (Pac) Thursday accused its rival, the African National Congress (Anc), of betraying the fight against

South Africa's apartheid policy of racial segregation by conducting talks with the Pretoria government.

The Pac, in an interview with Harare's Herald newspaper, condemned the Anc's suspension of violence, as announced by Anc vice President Nelson Mandela, and its peace talks with the Pretoria government.

''The Anc has dumped Africa and the international community and left the Pac holding the baby,'' said Joe Mkhwanazi, Pac administrative secretary, told the paper.

By signing the Pretoria minute in which the Anc agreed to suspend its armed struggle, Mkhwanazi said the Anc had given away too much and had allowed de Klerk to emerge as the victor.

''People at home were not consulted by the Anc and that is why there is all this violence,'' said Mkhwanazi in reference to the current township wars. ''It is because the people do not want the current trend of events sweeping South Africa''.

Mkhwanazi alleged that ''the Anc has joined the ranks of the oppressors ... We fear this is going to divide Africa and the supporters of the struggle. The people have been betrayed, not only the suffering masses in South Africa but also those in our support, particularly the frontline states.''

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#90228d9370 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 16) - A delegation of three European Community foreign ministers held talks here Thursday and expressed hope that a political solution could be reached to end the Gulf crisis through an implementation of Security Council resolutions.

Gianni de Michelis, heading the Ec "troika", told a press conference that the group ''feels there is small but existing room and space for political action and dialogue within the framework of the implementation of Security Council resolutions 661 and 660''.

Speaking after talks with Jordan's Crown Prince Hassan, de Michelis said the Ec believed in the need for all governments to implement a U.N embargo against Iraq, but expressed understanding of Jordan's position.

''The group fully understands the specific Jordanian siuation and the economic and political implications of Jordan's implementation of an embargo against Iraq,'' de Michelis said.

He said the community was ''prepared to offer all political and financial assistance to Jordan in the event of its implementation of the embargo''.

He pointed out that the troika received a detailed memorandum explaining the results of a Jordanian embargo, and the government's consultations with the Security Council to redress the losses that may be incurred by the Jordanian economy.

He said Amman was consulting with the U.N. on provisions exempting some countries from an international embargo based on the size of the damage involved or offers financial compensation for losses.

Official sources said Jordanian Finance Minister Basel Jardaneh submitted a detailed report to the U.S. administration Thursday on damage involved in a possible Jordanian embargo on Iraq.

The sources said the government estimated the direct damage to the economy at 1.2 billion dollars a year.

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#90228d9430 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (AUG. 16) - Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi is to visit Uganda on Friday for talks with Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni, the Voice of Kenya radio reported here Thursday.

The radio said that President Moi would arrive for the talks at the Ugandan eastern town of Tororo on Friday morning.

It said the meeting was being held at the invitation of the Ugandan leader, but did not give further details on the visit or its duration.

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#90228d9470 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EAST BERLIN (AUG. 16) - East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere Thursday made clear he was ruling out any quick unification move with West Germany as his coalition looked set to break up.

He said there could be no unification before regional elections were held on October 14, creating local government ''laender'' (federal states) to match those in West Germany's federal system.

The statement appeared to take the wind out of the sails of speculation in Bonn that the East German premier would opt for rapid unification, now that his grand coalition looked in shreds.

Four months after the government - the first to be freely-elected in East Germany - took office, top Social Democratic Party (Spd) leaders warned that the Spd could quit.

The warnings came a day after de Maiziere, who like Bonn Chancellor Helmut Kohl is of the Christian Democratic Union (Cdu), dismissed three cabinent members, including two posted by the Spd.

On Thursday de Maiziere urged the Spd not to quit the government, saying that ''whoever leaves the coalition now is ducking his national responsibility''.

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#90228d9600 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (AUG. 16) - Nigeria will abide by the OPEC quota agreement reached last month at a conference in Geneva, President Ibrahim Babangida stated here Thursday.

He made the statement in meeting with the Venezuelan minister of external affairs, Reinaldo Figueredo Planchart, an official source said.

OPEC (the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) must respond collectively to the Gulf crisis to ensure the survival of the 13-member oil organization, he said, adding that it should avoid a situation that could result in unilateral action by any OPEC member.

The minister, who delivered, a special message from Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez to the Nigerian leader, said his country wanted OPEC to hold a meeting soon to discuss oil quotas and the Gulf crisis, said the source.

Venezuela wished to avoid having any OPEC member take unilateral action about quotas, the source quoted him as saying.

He said he had visited Saudi Arabia, Iran, Indonesia and Algeria to discuss the same issue.

Although the contents of President Perez's message were not disclosed, reliable sources said that Venezuela was campaigning for an increase in OPEC production quotas.

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#90228d9630 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 16) - Britain's official export credit insurer, ECGD, said Thursday it had agreed to support a medium-term loan to Mongolia for the first time ever.

The loan is a 5-million-pound (9.4-million-dollar) general-purpose line of credit provided by Midland Bank to the State Bank of the Mongolian People's

Republic to meet demand for equipment to modernise Mongolia's industries and infrastructure, ECGD said in a press release.

The credit line will be used to finance contracts for supply of British manufactured capital goods and services.

ECGD also said Thursday it was supporting a 50-million-pound (94-million-dollar) loan by British securities house J. Henry Schroder Wagg and Co. to three Hong Kong power generating companies: Peninsular Electric Power Co., Kowloon Electricity Supply Co. and Castle Peak Power Co.

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#90228d9680 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 16) - A 12-meter-long steel bottle docked Thursday morning in Falmouth, England, following a 37-day crossing of the Atlantic, adding a new record to the unlikely achievements of its 47-year-old pilot.

Tom McClean, a former paratrooper, left New York on July 10 aboard his 11-ton craft, specially fitted to accomodate a four-poster bed, in which he slept for just one and a half hours a night.

He already holds two world records, one for crossing the Atlantic in the smallest boat, 2.35 meters (7.5 feet), and another for the quickest Atlantic crossing in a rowing boat (54 days).

Mr. Mclean, who was himself left an orphan, expects his endeavour to earn him some 500,000 pounds (800,000 dollars) in sponsorship for an association for the protection of orphans.

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#90228d9760 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DIYARBAKIR, TURKEY (AUG. 16) - The sixth anniversary of a resumption of the Kurdish struggle for independence fom Turkey was marked Wednesday (eds correct) by a strike by small businessmen here.

Most shops in the eastern Anatolian town of Dogubayazit stayed closed for the day in response to a call from the Marxist rebel Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK).

Such closures are forbidden in the region as acts of "civil disobedience".

Strikes began in March, following violent demonstrations which broke out after the funerals of PKK fighters killed in a major operation at the beginning of the army's Spring offensive against the rebels.

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#90228d9890 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (AUG. 16) - The loyalty of the powerful Iraqi army will be put to the test following President Saddam Hussein's virtual capitulation to Iran over the terms of the Gulf War, analysts here said Thursday.

As a huge U.S.-led multinational force continued to gather in Saudi Arabia following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, Mr. Hussein, in a surprise announcement Wednesday, said that he would accept the 1975 Algiers accord with Iran.

The 1975 agreement, which split the strategic Shatt-al-Arab waterway between the two nations, was one of the pretexts for the eight-year Gulf War and had been dismissed previously by Mr. Hussein as a "piece of paper."

After Iran and Iraq signed a cease-fire two years ago, Mr. Hussein told his army: "It was Iraq that made peace, and not the U.N. ... It was you who decided to make peace because you won the war."

But Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati, reacting to the Iraqi concession Wednesday, described it as Iran's "biggest victory in the history of the Islamic republic."

Mr. Hussein has also pledged, without demanding anything in return, to give back 2,600 square kilometers (1,000 square miles) of Iranian territory seized by Iraq during the war.

What the Iraqi army stands to gain is the return from Iran of 70,000 captured Iraqi soldiers, as well as use of deep-water ports and oil terminals in occupied Kuwait, out of range of Iranian artillery.

But diplomatic sources here say the offers from the civilian government in Baghdad are likely to go down badly with the army.

"I don't think Iraqi troops can try anything. But one can't rule out some kind of reaction among senior officers, people who believed in the mission the regime gave them and who saw thousands of their men killed or mutilated in a conflict that in the end served no purpose," one envoy commented.

Iraqi soldiers have already been deserting in occupied Kuwait, according to Kuwaitis and expatriates who managed to flee in the two weeks since the Iraqi invasion.

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#90228d9930 08/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 16) - British inflation will stabilise and could even drop if sterling remains strong at its present level, benefitting from its petro-currency status, the Bank of England said Thursday.

But it added in its quarterly bulletin that despite help from sterling, a policy of "appropriate" interest rates remains essential, reaffirming its support for high rates.

The increase in oil prices due to the current Gulf crisis helps increase inflation, which amounted to 9.8 per cent in June year-on-year, but at the same time it is favourable to sterling as a petro-currency. The currency also benefits from added confidence connected with its future entry into the exchange stabilisation mechanism of the European Monetary System.

The central bank noted that sterling has risen by an average of eight per cent against other major currencies since April.

The bank also said that the drop in exports and rise in imports resulting from high sterling could force British firms to follow foreign prices and push a drive for greater competitiveness - something that would also tend to reduce inflation.

But the article also warned that excess wage increases would cause inflation to increase. Statistics released Thursday show that average wage increases were at 10 percent year-on-year at the end of June, the first time in eight years they have been in two figures.

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#90228e0013 08/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BERLIN (AUG. 16) EFE - The president of the East German Social Democrats (SPD) Thursday threatened to encourage his party to leave the fragile governing coalition following the firing of two cabinet ministers who backed the SPD.

The party president, Wolfgang Thierse, said he thought it improbable that his party could continue working effectively within the coalition government since East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere was making "increasingly enterprising" decisions.

On Wednesday, de Maiziere sacked Finance Minister Walter Romberg, a Social Democrat, and Agriculture Minister Peter Pollack, an independent closely linked to the SPD.

De Maiziere also accepted the resignations of Economy Minister Gerhard Pohl, a Christian Democrat, and Justice Minister Kurt Wuensche, who had failed to throw off the stigma of having served in the communist government of ousted president Erich Honecker.

The cabinet shake-up came amid mounting criticism of the government's handling of the economic merger with West Germany six weeks ago, which has set off massive unemployment and economic hardship for many East Germans.

The firing of Romberg and Pollack leaves the SPD with only five cabinet ministers.

But other parties within the coalition have reacted positively to the cabinet shuffle.

Liberal Party spokesman Wold Oehme said the prime minister's decision was the right one even though it +came too late+.

And the spokesman for the German Social Democratic Union (SDU), the most conservative member of the East German coalition government, termed the sackings very necessary.

SDU president Hans-Joachim Walthers said the four ministers who left the cabinet Wednesday no longer had the support of the East German people or their cabinet colleagues.

Walthers added that there were still some ministers in the cabinet who should be forced to leave their posts.

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#90228e0015 08/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ROME (AUG. 16) EFE - A European Community delegation left Rome for Jordan Thursday for two days of talks with Arab leaders to discuss the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait two weeks ago.

The delegation, led by Italian Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis, is to meet with Jordan's Crown Prince Hassan in Amman later Thursday.

King Hussein of Jordan is in the United States for talks Thursday with President George Bush, who is to pressure the king to comply with a United Nations embargo against Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

The EC delegation, which includes Irish Foreign Minister Gerald Collins and the Deputy Foreign Minister of Luxembourg, Jacques Wohlfart, will then leave for the Red Sea port of Jeddah to meet with Saudi King Fahd.

On Friday, the group will visit Alexandria to consult with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

The EC has formally condemned the Iraqi invasion, called for the immediate withdrawal of troops from Kuwait, and approved an economic embargo against

both Iraq and Kuwait.

More than 7,000 citizens from EC countries have been stranded in the two countries for two weeks.

The group intends to return to Rome Friday evening.

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#90228e0029 08/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (AUG. 16) EFE - Drugs squad officers have seized 26 kg of pure cocaine worth around dlrs 30 million at street prices, after arresting two Colombians, Spanish police reported Thursday.

Police said they arrested the two Monday after a two-month investigation. They later found the cocaine hidden in a car parked in a garage at a Madrid shopping center.

Police said the cocaine, which had come from Colombia, was enough to produce 2.5 million doses worth about three billion pesetas.

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#90228e0030 08/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ROME (AUG. 16) EFE - Two Italian Navy corvettes set off for the eastern Mediterranean from Sicily Thursday to replace U.S. Navy ships sent to the Persian Gulf, officials said.

The warships will be joined in the next few days by two frigates and a supply ship to take up patrols previously carried out by their U.S. NATO allies.

The ships could later be dispatched to the Gulf if requested by the Western European Union meeting in Paris Tuesday.

The corvettes, each armed with a 76 mm gun, anti-aircraft missiles and torpedoes, are due to take up station off the Turkish coast within 48 hours.-EFE.

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#90228e0034 08/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (AUG. 16) EFE - Spain's budget deficit calculated on a cash basis for the first seven months of 1990 shrank 42.7 percent to 522 billion pesetas (dlrs 5.22 billion) compared to the same period last year, the Economy Ministry reported Thursday.

According to the Ministry, the deficit decrease was due to the

government's tight rein on spending, which was 6.27 trillion pesetas (dlrs 62.7 billion) during the first seven months of 1990, rising only 6.9 percent compared to year-earlier levels.

Revenues during the first seven months of the year totalled 5.75 trillion pesetas (dlrs 57.5 billion), growing 15.8 percent over the same period last year, the Ministry reported.

During the month of July Spain posted a surplus of 233.7 billion pestas (dlrs 2.34 billion), with revenue rising 17.8 per cent over the July, 1989 figure to 1.25 trillion pesetas (dlrs 12.5 billion), on the back of increased income tax revenues.-EFE

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#90228e0046 08/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (AUG. 16) - Colombian police and Army troops found two large cocaine processing laboratories hidden on rural estates, but did not seize any drugs or make any arrests, officials said Thursday.

The security forces found 150 oil drums with ether and acetone residues, as well as microwave ovens and paper, all believed to have been used to produce cocaine from raw coca leaves, according to the officials.

However, no cocaine was found at the two labs constructed on the La Patio and California estates in Doradal, 200 km northwest of the capital. Police said they were searching for the owners of the estates.

President Cesar Gaviria, sworn in earlier this month, has vowed to continue the crackdown on the drug trade initiated by his Liberal colleague and predecessor, ex-president Virgilio Barco.

-30- 1002

#90228e0050 08/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LUANDA (AUG. 17) EFE - More than 10,000 people died of hunger in the Angolan coastal province of Benguela in the first seven months of this year, Western diplomats said Thursday.

The deaths resulted from a drought which has ravaged the province for the last three years, causing malnutrition and consequent epidemics of infectious diseases such as tuberculosis.

British ambassador John Funn, West German ambassador Hans Freundt and French ambassador Stanislas Fillol said 10,083 people had died in the province from January to July.

They visited the province, located some 400 km south of Luanda, with

United Nations officials last weekend.

The Angolan government last week requested U.N. help in obtaining emergency assistance to alleviate the effects of the drought afflicting central and southern Angola.

A 15-year-old war by U.S.-backed UNITA guerrillas against the leftist government has also cut agricultural production in the drought-stricken zone.

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#90228h0015 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 16) XINHUA - A PAKISTAN AIR FORCE F-6 FIGHTER HAS CRASHED BUT THE PILOT ESCAPED SAFE.

LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY THAT THE PLANE WAS ON A ROUTINE TRAINING MISSION WHEN IT CRASHED ON TUESDAY NEAR WARSAK AND THE PILOT OF THE AIRCRAFT SAFELY EJECTED.

THE REPORT SAID THAT THERE WAS NO LOSS OF LIFE OR PROPERTY IN THE ACCIDENT AS THE PLANE FELL IN AN OPEN FIELD.

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#90228h0027 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 16) XINHUA -- CHINESE SCIENTISTS HAVE SUCCESSFULLY EXTRACTED POTASSIUM, A KEY MATERIAL IN CHEMICAL FERTILIZERS, FROM BRINE, ACCORDING TO THE OVERSEAS EDITION OF CHINA DAILY TODAY.

THE EXPERIMENT WAS DONE BY A LABORATORY IN SHANDONG PROVINCE UNDER THE MINISTRY OF GEOLOGY AND MINERAL RESOURCES AFTER TWO YEARS OF RESEARCH.

WITH THE METHOD, EVERY 10 TONS OF BRINE YIELDS A TON OF POTASSIUM, THE PAPER REPORTED.

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#90228h0029 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 16) XINHUA - A DELEGATION FROM THE KENYA AFRICAN NATIONAL UNION LED BY GEORGE NDOTTO, MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND MINISTER OF RECLAMATION OF ARID, SEMI-ARID AND BARREN LAND, TOURED THE GREAT WALL HERE TODAY.

THE KENYAN DELEGATION RETURNED TO BEIJING YESTERDAY EVENING AFTER TOURING OTHER PARTS OF CHINA.

THE KENYAN VISITORS, WHO ARRIVED HERE AUGUST 6, HAVE HELD TALKS WITH

OFFICIALS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL LIAISON DEPARTMENT OF THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

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#90228h0042 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (AUG. 16) XINHUA - DEPUTY PRESIDENT OF THE AFRI- CAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC) NESLON MANDELA YESTERDAY CONDEMNED THE SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE FOR ITS ROLE IN LAST WEEK'S VIOLENCE IN THE NOTHERN AREAS OF PORT ELIZABETH.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE ANC'S REGIONAL OFFICE IN NORTH END OF PORT ELIZABETH YESTERDAY, MR. MANDELA SAID THAT THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT HAS TO BEAR THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE UNREST, DEATH AND DESTRUCTION IN SOUTH AFRICAN BLACK TOWNSHIPS, THE "CITIZEN" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA REPORTED TODAY.

THE ANC LEADER SAID THAT HIS ORGANISATION CONDEMNED THE VIOL- ENCE, ARSON AND LOOTING OF BUSINESSES BY HOOLIGANS, SAYING THE ORGANISATION HAS "NEVER CONDONED VIOLENCE".

MR. MANDELA CALLED ON SOUTH AFRICANS TO BURY THE PAST AND START A NEW FUTURE FOR ALL.

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#90228h0052 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 16) XINHUA - BEIJINGERS, WHO SUFFERED THROUGH A BEER SHORTAGE FOUR YEARS AGO, CAN NOW ENJOY AS MUCH AS THEY WISH.

BEIJING AUTHORITIES SAID THE CITY'S ANNUAL BEER OUTPUT HAS INCREASED TO 300,000 TONS FROM THE 25,000 TONS OF THE EARLY 1980S, AND IT IS AVAILABLE IN GERMAN, DANISH, CZECHOSLOVAKIAN AND OTHER STYLES.

LONG QUEUES, WHICH WERE A COMMON SIGHT IN BEIJING'S STREETS SEVERAL YEARS AGO, HAVE DISAPPEARED. BEER PEDDLERS CAN NOW BE SEEN HAWKING THEIR WARES ON STREET CORNERS IN THE CAPITAL.

THE CITY AUTHORITIES ATTRIBUTED THE INCREASE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF BARLEY-PRODUCTION CENTERS IN OTHER PROVINCES, IMPORTED TECHNOLOGY AND EQUIPMENT, AND PREFERENTIAL LOAN POLICIES FOR BREWERIES.

NINE BREWERIES ARE NOW OPERATING IN BEIJING.

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#90228h0053 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 16) XINHUA - WEALTHY NIGERIANS HAVE DEPOSITED ABOUT 33

BILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN FOREIGN BANKS, A SENIOR NIGERIAN ARMY OFFICER DISCLOSED HERE WEDNESDAY.

BRIGADIER ISHOLA WILLIAMS QUOTED A RECENT REPORT BY THE MORGAN TRUST GUARANTEE BANK IN NEW YORK AS SAYING THAT THE AMOUNT IS LITTLE MORE THAN NIGERIA'S EXTERNAL DEBT OF 32 BILLION DOLLARS.

HE TOLD A SEMINAR OF THE COMMONWEALTH HERE THAT RICH NIGERIANS HAVE ACCOUNTS IN ALMOST EVERY BANK AND IN ALMOST ALL COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD.

THE OFFICER SAID THAT INVESTIGATIONS COULD EVEN CONFIRM THAT RICH NIGERIANS HAVE BANK ACCOUNTS IN COUNTRIES SUCH AS HUNGARY IN EASTERN EUROPE.

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#90228h0059 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA (AUGUST 16) XINHUA -- THE EROSION OF THE RIVERS IN NORTHWEST AND SOUTHWEST BANGLADESH, ESPECIALLY THE JAMUNA (BRAHMAPUTRA) AND PADMA (GANGES), HAVE RENDERED THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE HOMELESS IN THE LAST FEW DAYS, LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY.

AT LEAST 15,000 PEOPLE BECAME HOMELESS AS FIVE VILLAGES OF MADARGANJ IN NORTHWEST BANGLADESH WERE ERODED BY THE JAMUNA DURING THE LAST FEW DAYS, OFFICIAL SOURCES SAID.

ABOUT 1,000 ACRES OF LAND ALONG WITH STANDING CROPS AND SOME THATCHED HOUSES IN THESE VILLAGES WERE WASHED BY THE RIVER.

CONTINUOUS EROSION ALSO THREATENS MADARGANJ TOWN, THE GOVERNMENT COLLEGE, GOVERNMENT GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL AND THE POLICE STATION. THE SUB-DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING IS NOW ONLY 850 FEET FROM THE EROSION POINT.

IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF KUSHTIA, VAST TRACT OF LAND IN THREE UNIONS WERE WASHED AWAY DUE TO RISE IN WATER LEVEL AND AT LEAST 1,000 PEOPLE OF THESE UNIONS HAVE BEEN RENDERED HOMELESS FOLLOWING THE EROSION.

THE EROSION OF THE RIVERS MADHUMATI AND NABAGANGA HAS DEVOURED A VAST TRACT OF RIVER-BELT AREAS INCLUDING AT LEAST 100 HOMESTEAD RECENTLY.

IN MADARIPUR, SOUTHWEST OF DHAKA, AT LEAST 150 FAMILIES HAVE LOST THEIR HOMESTEAD AT TAKERHAT DUE TO EROSION OF THE RIVER KUMAR.

TAKERHAT BAZAAR, ONE OF THE BIGGEST COMMERCIAL CENTERS OF MADARIPUR, IS NOW ON THE VERGE OF EXTINCTION. AT LEAST 33 SHOPS AND A MOSQUE OF THE BAZAAR HAVE ALREADY GONE INTO THE RIVER.

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#90228h0060 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
COLOMBO (AUG. 16) XINHUA - THE UNITED NATIONS SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ WILL CREATE AN ACUTE ECONOMIC PROBLEM TO SRI LANKA AT THIS TIME WHEN IT HAS TO CONTEND WITH TERRORIST THREATS IN THE COUNTRY, SAID A PRESS RELEASE ISSUED BY THE FOREIGN MINISTRY TODAY.

THE SRI LANKAN GOVERNMENT HAS INSTRUCTED ITS PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE IN THE U.N. TO APPROACH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND THE SECURITY COUNCIL IN CONSULTATION WITH OTHER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SIMILARLY AFFECTED TO WORK OUT A SUITABLE SOLUTION ON THE ISSUE, THE RELEASE SAID.

THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL ADOPTED RESOLUTION 661 ON AUGUST 6 WHICH CALLS ON ALL U.N. MEMBER STATES TO PREVENT THE EXPORT AND IMPORT OF COMMODITIES TO AND FROM IRAQ AND KUWAIT.

TEA IS SRI LANKA'S MAIN EXPORT COMMODITY TO IRAQ, WHICH ACCOUNTS FOR ABOUT 20 PERCENT OF THE COUNTRY'S TOTAL TEA EXPORTS.

ANY STOPPAGE OF TEA EXPORT TO IRAQ WILL CAUSE A CONSIDERABLE DROP IN SRI LANKA'S EXPORT EARNINGS, THE PRESS RELEASE SAID.

THE RELEASE NOTED, "IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES ARE SIMILARLY PLACED AND EFFORTS ARE BEING MADE TO PRESENT SRI LANKA'S DIFFICULT POSITION TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL."

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#90228h0065 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
FUZHOU (AUG. 16) XINHUA - NINE MORE FOREIGN-FUNDED ENTERPRISES WERE GIVEN PERMISSION FOR ESTABLISHMENT IN FUQING COUNTY, IN SOUTHEAST CHINA'S FUJIAN PROVINCE IN THE FIRST FIVE MONTHS OF THIS YEAR. THEIR TOTAL INVESTMENT REACHED 18.8 MILLION YUAN (ABOUT 3.76 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

DURING THIS PERIOD THE OUTPUT VALUE OF ALL THE FOREIGN-FUNDED ENTERPRISES TOTALLED 140.38 MILLION YUAN, HALF THE TOTAL INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT VALUE OF THE COUNTY.

FUQING COUNTY, LOCATED IN THE CENTER OF FUJIAN PROVINCE, IS THE ANCESTRAL HOME OF 480,000 OVERSEAS CHINESE, WHO HAVE PROVIDED 150 MILLION YUAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH PROJECTS IN THE COUNTY SINCE 1979.

BY MAY THIS YEAR 54 FOREIGN-FUNDED ENTERPRISES HAD BEEN APPROVED IN THE COUNTY. TOTAL INVESTMENT REACHED 329 MILLION YUAN OF WHICH 181 MILLION YUAN IS IN FOREIGN FUNDS.

IN RECENT YEARS FUQING COUNTY HAS ALSO ATTACHED GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE

CONSTRUCTION OF TRANSPORTATION, TELECOMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRICITY SUPPLY AND OTHER BASIC FACILITIES, LEADING TO A BETTER ENVIRONMENT FOR FOREIGN INVESTORS.

AT PRESENT, THE COUNTY HAS 640 KM OF HIGHWAYS AND ACCESS TO SEA TRANSPORTATION.

MEANWHILE, ONE 220 KV ELECTRICITY SUBSTATION, TWO 110 KV SUBSTATIONS AND FIVE 35 KV SUBSTATIONS HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED, AND 2,973 KM OF HIGH- AND LOW-TENSION TRANSMISSION ERECTED, SERVING 442 VILLAGES.

IN 1988 THE COUNTY INSTALLED PROGRAM-CONTROL TELEPHONE EXCHANGES WHICH DIRECTLY LINK THE COUNTY WITH 20 COUNTRIES AND REGIONS.

IN 1989 THE OUTPUT VALUE OF FOREIGN-FUNDED ENTERPRISES REACHED 218 MILLION YUAN, 30 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT VALUE FOR THE WHOLE YEAR.

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HOHHOT (AUG. 16) XINHUA - LIVESTOCK HERDS ON NORTH CHINA'S INNER MONGOLIAN GRASSLAND INCREASED FROM 30.5 MILLION SIX YEARS AGO TO 47 MILLION IN JUNE THANKS TO THE INTRODUCTION OF CONTRACT RESPONSIBILITY SYSTEMS FOR GRASSLANDS AND LIVESTOCK.

IN ADDITION TO RAISING LIVESTOCK, HERDSMEN HAVE MOVED INTO TRANSPORTATION. HERDSMEN HAVE ORGANIZED TRANSPORT GROUPS WITH ABOUT 3,000 VEHICLES TO SHIP LIVESTOCK AND KEEP THEMSELVES SUPPLIED WITH DAILY NECESSITIES.

TREE PLANTING HAS BEEN ENCOURAGED ON THE GRASSLAND IN RECENT YEARS. NEARLY 10 MILLION MU (ABOUT 6.7 MILLION HECTARES) HAVE BEEN AFFORESTED.

THE PROCESSING INDUSTRY HAS MUSHROOMED ON THE GRASSLAND. HULUN BUIR LEAGUE HAS 100 FACTORIES PRODUCING DAIRY PRODUCTS, FURS, CARPETS AND TEXTILES. THEIR ANNUAL TURNOVER IS 200 MILLION YUAN (ABOUT 40 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

XILIN GOL LEAGUE HAS 120 FACTORIES, WHICH HAVE INCREASED THE AREA'S INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT VALUE FROM THE PREVIOUS 9 PERCENT TO 34 PERCENT OF THE AREA'S TOTAL OUTPUT VALUE.

FISHERY IS ANOTHER BUSINESS WHICH IS BOOMING ON THE GRASSLANDS. TWO MILLION MU OF PONDS NOW PRODUCE 15,000 TONS OF FISH ANNUALLY.

SEVERAL YEARS AGO, THERE WERE FEW BAZAARS IN THE AREA, WHICH NOW HAS 584. THEIR ANNUAL TURNOVER IS 400 MILLION YUAN (ABOUT 80 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

SMALL BUSINESSES ARE ALSO SPRINGING UP. ABOUT 20,000 HERDSMEN HAVE SET UP RESTAURANTS, HOTELS AND SHOPS.

THE NEW BUSINESSES ARE BRINGING IN HIGHER EARNINGS. LAST YEAR, THE PER CAPITA INCOME OF HERDSMEN REACHED 1,038 YUAN, THREE TIMES THAT OF 1984.

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#90228h0067 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

XINING (AUG. 16) XINHUA - A 60-MEMBER EXPEDITION HAS FOUND GEYSERS ON THE QINGHAI-TIBET PLATEAU AT THE FOOT OF BUKADABAN PEAK, 6,806 METERS ABOVE SEA LEVEL.

THE GEYSERS, DIPERSED OVER A 100-SQUARE-METER AREA, CAN SPRAY BOILING WATER AND STEAM TWO METERS INTO THE AIR.

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#90228h0082 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

XI'AN (AUG. 16) XINHUA - A FIBRE INSTRUMENT SERVICE COMPANY IN XI'AN, THE CAPITAL OF NORTHWEST CHINA'S SHAANXI PROVINCE, HAS DEVELOPED A MULTI-FUNCTIONAL AUTOMATIC CONSTANT-TEMPERATURE OVEN.

THE COMPANY'S CONSTANT-TEMPERATURE OVEN HAS HIGH PRECISION THERMAL-CONTROL AND STABILITY, AND IT IS QUIET AND EASY TO OPERATE.

THESE OVENS CAN BE USED TO DETERMINE MOISTURE CONTENT AND REGAIN. THEY ARE USED BY INDUSTRIES, INCLUDING THE PHARMACEUTICAL, MACHINERY, PRINTING AND DYEING, AND CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES, WHOSE PROCESSING REQUIRES CONSTANT TEMPERATURES AND STOVING.

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#90228h0084 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHENYANG (AUG. 16) XINHUA - CHINA IMPROVED THE CULTURAL ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE TO ITS 5.164 MILLION HANDICAPPED OVER THE PAST YEAR, AN OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF WELFARE FOR THE HANDICAPPED SAID HERE TODAY.

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL, CHINA HAS PUBLISHED MORE THAN 500 KINDS OF BOOKS AND OVER 40 TYPES OF AUDIO AND VIDEO TAPES SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR DISABLED PEOPLE.

TWO PUBLISHING HOUSES HAVE BEEN SET UP FOR THE HANDICAPPED. VARIOUS PERIODICALS, INCLUDING "THE HANDICAPPED IN CHINA" AND "THE BLIND," ARE BEING PUBLISHED FOR THE DISABLED.

IN RECENT YEARS, THE OFFICIAL SAID, RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING THEATRICAL PERFORMANCES, VARIOUS EXHIBITIONS, AND SPORTING EVENTS, HAVE BEEN HELD FOR THE HANDICAPPED.

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#90228h0086 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
GABORONE (AUG. 16) XINHUA - THE DEATH TOLL IN THIS WEEK'S EAST RAND TOWNSHIP WAR ROSE TO OVER 150 TODAY, ACCORDING TO A REPORT BY THE AFRICA NEWS ORGANIZATION.

IT SAID TODAY THAT POSSIBLY AS MANY AS 3,000 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN INJURED IN THE VIOLENCE THAT SWEPT ACROSS THE TOWNSHIP OF TOKOZA, VOSLOORUS AND KATLEHONG, OUTSIDE ALBERTON ABOUT 25 KM FROM JOHANESBURG.

THE AGENCY QUOTED POLICE SOURCES AS SAYING THAT THE POLICE HAVE CONFISCATED LIMPET MINES, AK47 ASSAULT RIFLES, COMMERCIAL EXPLOSIVES AND HUNDREDS OF KNIVES, SPEARS AND PANGAS.

EYEWITNESSES AND POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THE AREA ACCUSED THE POLICE OF STANDING BY DURING YESTERDAY MORNING'S FIGHTING ALTHOUGH TODAY'S POLICE ACTION APPEARED TO BE IMPARTIAL, SAID THE AGENCY.

WHILE THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC) AND INKATHA BLAMED EACH OTHER FOR THE VIOLENCE, THEY ACCUSED THE POLICE OF NOT TAKING ADEQUATE ACTION TO STOP IT.

THERE WAS NO IMMEDIATE END IN SIGHT TODAY TO THE CRISIS IN THE RAVAGED AREAS OF TOKOZA, VOSLOORUS AND KATLEHONG.

SOUTH AFRICAN LAW AND ORDER MINISTER ADRIAAN VLOK HAS APPE- ALED TO THE WARRING FACTIONS TO HALT SENSELESS BLOODSHED AND DESTRUCTION. HE URGED THEIR LEADERS TO USE THEIR INFLUENCE TO STOP THE KILLINGS.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES AND RED CROSS SAID THEY WOULD PROVIDE HELP FOR REFUGEES FROM TODAY.

MUCH OF THE FIGHTING WAS CHARACTERISED BY CLASHES BETWEEN ZULU AND XHOSA GROUPS, REPORTS FROM SOUTH AFRICA SAID.

THE REPORTS SAID THAT FIGHTING HAS BEEN CONCENTRATED AT HOSTELS AND SQUATTER CAMPS, A RECENT TREND IN THE TRANSVAAL.

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#90228h0088 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LAGOS (AUG. 16) XINHUA - THE U.S. AMBASSADOR TO NIGERIA, MR. LANNON WALKER, WEDNESDAY RULED OUT THE POSSIBILITY OF AMERICAN ECONOMIC SANCTIONS AGAINST NIGERIA FOR BANNING ITS WHEAT IMPORT FROM THE UNITED STATES.

PRESS REPORTS HERE TODAY QUOTED THE AMBASSADOR AS SAYING: "THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES IS VERY STRONG AND COLLABORATIVE

AND THE PRIMARY GOALS OF BOTH COUNTRIES OVERLAP."

MR. WALKER DESCRIBED AS "FALSE AND BASELESS" SOME LOCAL PRESS REPORTS THAT THE UNITED STATES WAS PLANNING A RETALIATORY ECONOMIC SANCTIONS AGAINST NIGERIA FOR BANNING THE IMPORTATION OF WHEAT, MAINLY FROM THE UNITED STATES.

HE SAID THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES ARE CURRENTLY ENGAGED IN POSITIVE DISCUSSIONS AIMED AT SUPPORTING WHEAT PRODUCTION IN NIGERIA.

THE AMBASSADOR TOLD THE MONTHLY DIPLOMATIC FORUM SPONSORED BY THE NEWS AGENCY OF NIGERIA (NAN) AND PANA THAT AS A PART OF ASSISTANCE, THE UNITED STATES HAD CANCELLED NIGERIA'S 60 MILLION DOLLAR DEBT AND PROVIDED THE COUNTRY WITH ESTIMATED 140 MILLION DOLLARS FOR PRIMARY HEALTH CARE PROGRAM OVER FIVE YEARS.

HE SAID THAT THE PACKAGE INCLUDED SOME 36 MILLION DOLLAR DIRECT CONTRIBUTION TO NIGERIA'S BUDGET DEFICIT BEING FINANCED UNDER THE CONSULTATIVE GROUP PROGRAM IN COLLABORATION WITH THE WORLD BANK. NIGERIA'S DEBT TO THE UNITED STATES IS ABOUT FOUR BILLION DOLLARS.

IN ADDITION, THE AMBASSADOR ADDED, THE UNITED STATES REMAINS THE LARGEST BUYER OF NIGERIA'S CRUDE OIL.

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#90228h0091 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 16) XINHUA - MOSLEMS IN BRITAIN CALLED TODAY FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE GULF CRISIS AND URGED IRAQ TO WITHDRAW ITS TROOPS FROM KUWAIT.

PRESENTING A DECLARATION TO THE IRAQI, KUWAITI AND SAUDI ARABIAN EMBASSIES IN LONDON, A DELEGATION OF BRITISH MOSLEM GROUPS ALSO CALLED FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF NON-MOSLEM FORCES FROM THE REGION, WHERE THE DANGER OF MILITARY CONFRONTATION HAS ESCALATED SINCE THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

THE UNITED STATES, BRITAIN, FRANCE AND OTHER EUROPEAN NATIONS HAVE STATIONED WARSHIPS IN THE GULF, WHILE THE U.S. IS LEADING A MULTINATIONAL FORCE OF GROUND TROOPS IN SAUDI ARABIA.

YUSUF ISLAM, SPOKESMAN FOR THE DELEGATION WHICH REPRESENTS 50 ISLAMIC ORGANIZATIONS IN BRITAIN, SAID THEY WANTED IRAQI FORCES IN KUWAIT TO BE REPLACED BY A MOSLEM PEACEKEEPING FORCE. HE EXPRESSED OPTIMISM THAT WAR IN THE REGION COULD BE AVOIDED.

THE DELEGATION INSISTED THAT THE CONFLICT IN THE GULF IS A PURELY "INTERNAL MOSLEM AFFAIR."

THE DECLARATION WAS ADOPTED SUNDAY AT AN EMERGENCY ISLAMIC CONFERENCE IN LONDON.

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#90228h0095 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HANOI (AUG. 16) XINHUA - A U.S. DELEGATION INVESTIGATING THE ISSUE OF U.S. SERVICEMEN MISSING IN ACTION (MIA) DURING THE VIETNAM WAR HAVE IDENTIFIED 20 REMAINS AFTER EXAMINING 70 REMAINS DUG UP IN VIETNAM, VIETNAMESE FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESWOMAN PHAN THUY THANH SAID HERE TODAY.

ANOTHER U.S. TEAM ARRIVED IN VIETNAM TUESDAY TO JOIN A U.S.-VIETNAM SEARCH FOR U.S. MIAS, THE 11TH OF ITS KIND. THE GROUP IS NOW WORKING ALONG THE COASTAL AREAS OF THE CENTRAL PROVINCE OF NGHE TINH, PHAN TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE.

WASHINGTON HAS REITERATED THAT ALONG WITH THE CAMBODIAN ISSUE, THE ISSUES OF MIAS AND U.S. PRISONERS OF WAR STILL BEING HELD IN VIETNAM ARE THE MAJOR OBSTACLES TO IMPROVED U.S. RELATIONS WITH HANOI.

THERE HAS BEEN A WIDESPREAD RUMOR IN THIS COUNTRY THAT ANYONE WHO FINDS THE REMAINS OF A U.S. SOLDIER WILL BE GRANTED 10,000 U.S. DOLLARS AND ALLOWED TO GO TO THE UNITED STATES WITH HIS FAMILY. SOME VIETNAMESE ARE SEARCHING FOR, COLLECTING AND EVEN SELLING BODIES THEY CLAIM ARE MIAS.

SIX FAMILIES IN HO CHI MINH CITY HAVE COLLECTED 722 BODIES SINCE 1984 AND SAID THAT THESE ARE THE REMAINS OF AMERICAN SOLDIERS. AUTHORITIES HAVE CONFISCATED THE REMAINS AND BANNED ALL ILLEGAL COLLECTION, ACCORDING TO LOCAL NEWS REPORTS.

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#90228h0100 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIRUT (AUG. 16) XINHUA - GROWING TENSION HAS BEEN REPORTED IN CHRISTIAN EAST BEIRUT AS RIVAL CHRISTIAN FORCES HAVE EXCHANGED SPORADIC FIRE DURING THE PAST FIVE DAYS, VIOLATING A TRUCE THAT HALTED A FOUR-MONTH INTER-CHRISTIAN CONFRONTATION.

REGULAR TROOPS COMMANDED BY REBELLIOUS GENERAL MICHEL AOUN AND THE "LEBANESE FORCES" (LF) MILITIAMEN LED BY SAMIR GEAGEA EXCHANGED FIRE AT DAWN TODAY AT NAHRAMOUT, NORTHEAST OF THE EAST SECTOR OF BEIRUT, ACCORDING TO LOCAL BROADCASTS TODAY. NO CASUALTIES WERE REPORTED.

THE RIVALS ACCUSED EACH OTHER OF OPENING FIRE FIRST. THE INTERMITTENT CLASHES CAME IN VIOLATION OF A MAY 17 CEASEFIRE WHICH CHECKED SAVAGE CONFRONTATIONS BETWEEN THE WARRING FACTIONS THAT HAD ERUPTED AT THE END OF LAST JANUARY.

AOUN'S DECISION TO DISBAND THE "LF" IGNITED THE FOUR-MONTH INTER-CHRISTIAN BLOODSHED BETWEEN THE CHRISTIAN ARMY AND THE MILITIA FOR SUPREMACY OF THE CHRISTIAN-DOMINATED EAST BEIRUT.

AOUN HAS RECENTLY VOWED TO DISBAND ALL MILITIAS, BOTH IN CHRISTIAN AND MOSLEM AREAS.

THE CHRISTIAN GENERAL HAS BEEN LOCKED IN A POLITICAL CONFRONTATION WITH THE INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED GOVERNMENT OF PRESIDENT ELIAS HRAWI SINCE BAST NOVEMBER.

HE REFUSES TO RECOGNIZE THE GOVERNMENT, CLAIMING THAT HIS CHRISTIAN INTERIM CABINET IS THE LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT IN THE COUNTRY.

-30- 1488

#90228h0112 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (AUG. 16) XINHUA - CHAIRMAN OF THE TANZANIA REVOLUTIONARY PARTY JULIUS NYERERE TODAY APPEALED TO THE DELE- GATES TO THE PARTY'S EXTRA-ORDINARY NATIONAL CONFERENCE TO SUPPORT MR. SALMIN AMOUR TO BE THE SOLE CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESI- DENCY OF ZANZIBAR IN THE GENERAL ELECTIONS IN OCTOBER.

MR. NYERERE MADE THE APPEAL AFTER AMOUR WAS NOMINATED BY THE PARTY'S NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR THE TOP POST OF THE INDIAN OCEAN ISLAND OF ZANZIBAR.

THE CURRENT PRESIDENT OF ZANZIBAR, MR. IDRIS ABDUL WAKIL, HAS ANNOUNCED THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO RETIRE BECAUSE HE NEEDED TIME FOR REST. THE 65-YEAR-OLD LEADER IS ALSO THE SECOND PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA.

THE EXTRA-ORDINARY CONFERENCE, WHICH STARTED HERE THIS MORNING, WILL ELECT THE SOLE CONDIDATES FOR PRESIDENCY OF ZANZIBAR AND THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA.

MR. AMOUR IS A MEMBER OF THE 15-MEMBER CENTRAL COMMITTEE, AND THE SECRETARY OF THE ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND PLANNING DEPART- MENT OF THE PARTY'S NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

THE 48-YEAR-OLD CANDIDATE HAS BEEN ONE OF THE MAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POLICY PLANNERS FOR THE COUNTRY DURING THE PAST FOUR YEARS. HE HAS SERVED AT VARIOUS PARTY AND GOVERNMENT POSTS SINCE 1957.

OBSERVERS HERE BELIEVE THAT HE WILL WIN THE PRESIDENCY IN THE OCTOBER ELECTIONS. IF ELECTED, HE WILL BECOME THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ZANZIBAR REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL AND THE SECOND PRESIDENT OF TANZANIA.

ZANZIBAR UNITED WITH TANGANYIKA IN 1964 TO FORM THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA. THE ISLAND HAS ITS OWN GOVERNMENT AND PARLIAMENT UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE RULING PARTY AND THE UNION GOVERNMENT.

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#90228h0114 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (AUG. 16) XINHUA - BRAZIL'S TRADE SURPLUS FOR THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS OF THE YEAR REACHED 7.491 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS, IT WAS REPORTED HERE TODAY.

STATISTICS DISCLOSED BY SOURCES AT THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMY INDICATE THAT FOREIGN TRADE FIGURES MAY ACTUALLY TOP THE GOVERNMENT'S GOAL OF ACHIEVING A 13 BILLION-DOLLAR TRADE SURPLUS BY THE END OF THE YEAR.

FROM JANUARY TO JULY, THE VALUE OF BRAZILIAN EXPORTS WEIGHED IN AT 17.881 BILLION DOLLARS, WHILE IMPORTS STOOD AT 10.39 BILLION DOLLARS.

IN JULY ALONE, BOTH EXPORTS AND IMPORTS SAW INCREASES OVER THE PREVIOUS MONTH BY AS MUCH AS 21.4 PERCENT AND 21.3 PERCENT, RESPECTIVELY.

BRAZIL'S SECRETARY OF THE ECONOMY, JOAO MAIA, SAID WEDNESDAY THAT THE COUNTRY'S BALANCE OF TRADE FIGURES SHOWED THE NATION'S ECONOMY WAS ON THE ROAD TO RECOVERY.

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#90228h0120 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (AUG. 16) XINHUA - BRAZILIAN ARCHAEOLOGISTS RECENTLY DISCOVERED PARTS OF A HUMAN SKULL THAT IS ESTIMATED TO BE ABOUT 4.2 MILLION YEARS OLD, TODAY'S EDITION OF THE DAILY "O GLOBO" REPORTED.

ACCORDING TO THE NEWSPAPER, THE RARE ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIND WAS UNCOVERED BY SCIENTISTS FROM THE SAN PAULO UNIVERSITY'S MUSEUM OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND ETHNOLOGY. THE SKULL FRAGMENT WAS FOUND ON A FARM CALLED PAIOLAO, IN THE STATE OF MINAS GERAIS.

AFTER THREE YEARS OF EXCAVATION, THE SCIENTISTS UNEARTHED THE INFERIOR PART OF A CRANIUM WITH ITS TEETH ATTACHED. PREVIOUSLY, THE ARCHAEOLOGISTS HAD FOUND MORE THAN 200 CERAMIC PIECES AND OTHER ANCIENT RELICS ON THE SAME SITE.

THE SKULL FRAGMENT WILL BE CARBON DATED FOR A MORE EXACT FIGURE OF ITS AGE. IF THE ESTIMATED AGE IS CONFIRMED BY THE TEST RESULTS, BRAZILIAN ARCHAEOLOGISTS WILL BE ABLE TO CELEBRATE THE FINDING OF "PAIOLAO MAN", THE PROVISIONAL NAME GIVEN THE PRIMITIVE SPECIES OF MAN THAT LIVED IN THE REGION, THE NEWSPAPER SAID.

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#90228h0129 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NEW DELHI (AUG. 16) XINHUA - SECURITY FORCES REPULSED TWO MAJOR ROCKET ATTACKS BY LOCAL MILITANTS IN INDIA'S WESTERN STATE OF PUNJAB, RESULTING IN THE DEATH OF NINE MILITANTS AND SIX SECURITY FORCES PERSONNEL SINCE WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

MILITANTS FIRED ROCKETS AND SPRAYED BULLETS FROM MACHINE GUNS ON THE SHAHBAZPUR AND LOKHA COMPANY HEADQUARTERS OF THE CENTRAL RESERVE POLICE FORCE, DAMAGING A PICKET AND TWO VEHICLES RESPECTIVELY, REPORTS REACHING HERE SAID.

THE MILITANTS ESCAPED WHEN SECURITY FORCES RETURNED FIRE, POLICE SAID. SECURITY FORCES SHOT DEAD FIVE MILITANTS IN AN ENCOUNTER AT DADOWA VILLAGE IN AMRITSAR DISTRICT AND A LARGE NUMBER OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION WAS RECOVERED FROM THE SPOT, ACCORDING TO THE POLICE.

THREE OTHER MILITANTS WERE GUNNED DOWN IN AN ENCOUNTER NEAR GATANA VILLAGE IN KAPURTHALA DISTRICT. FOUR MILITANTS FIRED ON A PATROL PARTY AND THREE OF THEM WERE KILLED IN THE RETURN ACTION, POLICE SAID.

IN TARN TARAN DISTRICT, MILITANTS SHOT DEAD A SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER AND A HOME GUARD SOLDIER EARLY TODAY WHILE A RETIRED PUNJAB POLICE CONSTABLE FELL TO BULLETS AT VANCHIRI VILLAGE OF AMRITSAR DISTRICT.

TWO MILITANTS ENTERED A CHEMISTS SHOP AND SHOT DEAD THE OWER AND HIS BROTHER AT MORINDA IN ROPAR DISTRICT, AND A MOTHER AND HER DAUGHTER WERE KIDNAPPED BY MILITANTS IN AMRITSAR, AND THE MOTHER WAS SHOT DEAD LATER, THE POLICE SAID.

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#90228h0133 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LIMA (AUG. 16) XINHUA - UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL JAVIER PEREZ DE CUELLAR, VISITING IN PERU, OFFERED WEDNESDAY TO "IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THE HEADS OF STATE AND THE HIGHEST OFFICIALS OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY TO SOLICIT THE SHIPMENT OF FOOD AND RESOURCES FOR PERU'S SOCIAL WELFARE PROGRAM."

DURING A MEETING AT THE GOVERNMENT PALACE WITH PERU'S PREMIER, JUAN CARLOS HURTADO MILLER, PEREZ DE CUELLAR PROMISED TO INTERCEDE BEFORE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO DRUM UP MORE FOOD AND ECONOMIC AID FOR THE SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRY.

"I WILL MAKE AN EFFORT TO VERY RAPIDLY CHANNEL TO PERU THE SURPLUS CEREALS OF SOME COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD, GIVEN THAT THE UNITED STATES SUSPENDED THE

SALE OF RICE TO ITS MAJOR BUYER, IRAQ, IN VIEW OF THE BREAK IN TRADE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, AND A SIMILAR THING IS HAPPENING TO GREAT SUPPLIES OF MILK IN THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY," THE SECRETARY GENERAL EXPLAINED.

PERUVIAN-BORN PEREZ DE CUELLAR IS IN PERU FOR A FIRST-HAND LOOK AT THE SOCIAL WELFARE MEASURES OF THE NEW PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT, AND TO ASSESS THE NATION'S MOST URGENT NEEDS. SINCE THE LAST HALF OF 1989, PERU HAS BEEN SUFFERING SEVERE DROUGHTS IN SOME PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, CAUSING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION TO PLUMMET BY 25 PERCENT IN COMPARISON WITH THE SAME PERIOD OF 1988.

PEREZ DE CUELLAR ARRIVED IN PERU AUGUST 14 FOR A TWO-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT. HE IS SCHEDULED TO THEN VISIT CHILE AND COLOMBIA.

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#90228h0136 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 16) XINHUA - A CHILDREN'S DRAWING COMPETITION AND EXHIBITION IS EXPECTED TO OPEN HERE AT THE U.N. HEADQUARTERS NEXT WEEK TO COMMEMORATE THE U.N. ADOPTION OF THE CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD IT WAS ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY.

THE CONTEST, WITH THE THEME "MY HOME, MY LIFE," WILL FEATURE 100 PIECES OF DRAWINGS SELECTED FROM MORE THEN 41,000 WORKS SUBMITTED BY CHILDREN FROM COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD.

ACCORDING TO THE U.N. CHILDREN'S FUND (UNICEF), THE COMPETITION'S ORGANIZER, THE DRAWINGS REPRESENT EACH YOUNG ARTIST'S IMAGE OF AN IDEAL WORLD AND WILL BE ON DISPLAY IN THE U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S PUBLIC LOBBY FROM AUGUST 20 TO 30.

THE CONTEST IS DESIGNED TO COMMEMORATE THE U.N. ADOPTION OF THE CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD, WHICH HAS BEEN RATIFIED BY MORE THAN 20 NATIONS AND WILL ENTER INTO FORCE ON SEPTEMBER 2 THIS YEAR AS INTERNATIONAL LAW.

THE COMPETITION IS SPONSORED BY MITSUI REAL ESTATE SALES COMPANY LTD. OF JAPAN AND THE CONTRIBUTIONS BY THE EXHIBIT SPONSORS TO THE U.S. AND JAPANESE COMMITTEES FOR UNICEF WILL BE USED IN THE U.N. AGENCY'S PROJECTS IN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

THIRTY-SIX WINNERS WILL BE CHOSEN FROM THIS CONTEST AND AN AWARDING CEREMONY WILL BE HELD ON AUGUST 4 IN JAPAN, THE UNICEF SAID.

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#90228h0141 08/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) XINHUA - CARBON DIOXIDE, THE MOST COMMON OF THE SO-CALLED GREENHOUSE GASES, IS ACCUMULATING FASTER THAN EVER, A U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCY REPORTED TODAY.

THE CONCENTRATION OF CARBON DIOXIDE IN THE ATMOSPHERE INCREASED AT AN AVERAGE OF 1.71 PARTS PER MILLION OVER THE LAST FOUR YEARS, THE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION (NOAA) SAID.

THAT IS HIGHER THAN THE 1.5 PARTS PER MILLION RISE REPORTED IN MUCH OF THE 1980S. AND IN THE 1960S THE INCREASE WAS REPORTED AT ONLY 0.7 PARTS PER MILLION ANNUALLY.

GLOBAL CONCENTRATIONS OF CARBON DIOXIDE HAVE INCREASED BY ABOUT 25 PERCENT SINCE THE MID-1980S, TO JUST OVER 350 PARTS PER MILLION, SAID NOAA, WHOSE LABORATORY IN COLORADO IS MONITORING THE CLIMATIC AND ATMOSPHERIC CHANGE.

THE EMISSION OF CARBON DIOXIDE FROM BURNING FOSSIL FUEL, FOREST DESTRUCTION AND SOME NATURAL SOURCES IS BELIEVED TO CAUSE GLOBAL WARMING BECAUSE THE GAS PREVENTS THE HEAT FROM ESCAPING THE EARTH THE WAY THE GREENHOUSE DOES.

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48 Hours (CBS) August 15, 1990 (Transcript #121)

Somebody's Child: A report on foster care in California, including stories on three children whose parents were arrested for drug possession; three more whose mother is homeless and unemployed; and a child born addicted to cocaine.

South Africa Now (PBS) August 15, 1990 (Transcript #23)

Armscor, the Armaments Corporation of South Africa is covertly selling arms to Iraq, among others; the ANC suspends armed struggle; violence continues in Port Elizabeth area; ANC Women's League, banned for 30 years, is relaunched; along the 700-mile Mozambique-Zimbabwe border, villagers live in fear of Renamo rebels; a profile of Athol Fugard, South African playwright/director.

Nightline (ABC) August 15, 1990 (Transcript #2408)

The World According to Baghdad: Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz talks about Iraq's motivations for invading Kuwait, its current stance toward the U.S. and its intentions toward the Westerners it is detaining; Ted Koppel reports on his visit with 36 Americans being held in a Baghdad hotel; Sam Donaldson gives an initial report from Dhahran, Saudi Arabia.

Larry King Live (CNN) August 15, 1990 (Transcript #108)

Americans Stranded in Iraq / Spying on Neighbors: New Drug War Strategy / Laura Dern: Michael Saba, who recently escaped from Iraq, is joined by terrorism expert Michael Ledeen to discuss his efforts to gain freedom for the 3,500 Americans remaining there. West Virginia State Police Officer Col. Jack Buckalew discusses his department's ''Enough!'' program, which makes cards available to the public to fill out with information regarding suspicious neighbors. He debates the program's worth with ACLU counsel Frank Askin, who considers it Big Brotherism, and Vicky Chavez, whose daughter was murdered after providing information which helped convict a killer. Laura Dern discusses her work with David Lynch on Wild at Heart.
Crossfire (CNN) August 15, 1990 (Transcript #118)

Jordan: Friend or Foe?: Jean AbiNader of the U.S.-Arab Chamber of Commerce and former U.S. diplomat to Iraq Marshall Wiley discuss whether Jordan will side with the U.S. or Iraq in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Moneyline (CNN) August 15, 1990 (Transcript #162)

Unanswered questions about war and OPEC production plague oil markets; nuclear power advocates looking to Mideast crisis to spark a change in the industry's fortunes; Lawrence Goldstein (President, Petroleum Industry Research Foundation) says it is too soon to write off OPEC; high gas prices make this a summer of discontent, and winter could be worse; New Jersey Supreme Court ordered Donald Trump to disclose details of his debt restructuring deal as part of his application to the New Jersey Casino Commission. Oprah Winfrey August 15, 1990 (Transcript #1028)

White Parents Raising Black Kids: Black adults who were raised by white parents join several experts to discuss whether interracial adoption is cultural genocide or a better alternative to leaving children in an institution.

Geraldo August 15, 1990 (Transcript #760)

Children Caught in the Crossfire: Victims of crossfire and their families discuss what can be done about the growing number of innocent victims severely injured or killed due to the drug epidemic.

Sally Jessy Raphael August 15, 1990 (Transcript #508)

The Zodiac and Other Serial Killers: Guests who have had close encounters with serial killers tell their stories; including a couple who killed their would-be killer, a man whose wife murdered six people, and a woman who believes she is being stalked by the same man who killed her sister.

Donahue August 15, 1990 (Transcript #3012)

Catching Your Mate in Bed With Someone Else (R-#2810): Guests who have been caught cheating or have found their mate in bed with someone else share their stories of infidelity.

Good Morning America (ABC) August 15, 1990 (Transcript #1088)

Diplomatic solution to Mideast crisis; Saudi customs; camp for children with AIDS; disability insurance; Beau Bridges and Elizabeth McGovern interview; Jordan/Iraq peace initiative; ''unretirement''; James Belushi interview; Julia Child's ''Favorite Chicken''; The Two Jakes review.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) August 15, 1990 (Transcript #148)

Testing for Drugs at Home: The manufacturer and distributor of Drug Alert, an over-the-counter spray to determine the presence of marijuana and cocaine, counters arguments from the ACLU and a drug treatment professional about the effectiveness of using the product to fight the drug war -- at home.

Thursday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Ralph Nader: Keeping Your Home Safe Sally Jessy Raphael: Ron Hunter: Did He Murder His Wife? Geraldo: Backstabbers Oprah Winfrey: Americans Speak Out on the Middle East Issue

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MOSCOW (AUG. 16) KYODO - PRIME MINISTERS FROM THE SOVIET REPUBLICS OF RUSSIA AND LITHUANIA SIGNED AN AGREEMENT WEDNESDAY TO ESTABLISH DIRECT TRADE AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THEIR TWO REPUBLICS AND THUS CIRCUMVENT CENTRAL GOVERNMENT CONTROL.

IT IS LITHUANIA'S FIRST TRADE AGREEMENT WITH A REPUBLIC OUTSIDE OF THE BALTIC REGION AND, ACCORDING TO LITHUANIAN SOURCES, WILL COVER A ONE-YEAR PERIOD FOR 1991.

THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED WEDNESDAY BY LITHUANIA'S KAZIMIERA PRUNSKIENE AND RUSSIA'S IVAN SILAEV.

THE CONTENTS OF THE TRADE AND ECONOMIC ACCORD WILL BE DISCUSSED AND SIGNED IN ABOUT TWO MONTHS BY DELEGATIONS FROM THE TWO REPUBLICS. THE ECONOMIC COOPERATION PACT IS ALSO EXPECTED TO LEAD TO A POLITICAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLICS.

LITHUANIAN PRESIDENT VYTAUTAS LANDSBERGIS HAD INDICATED IN JUNE THAT HIS REPUBLIC WANTED TO TRADE WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE SOVIET UNION BECAUSE IT WAS UNHAPPY WITH THE WAY THE KREMLIN HAD BEEN MANAGING TRADE BETWEEN THE REPUBLICS.

LITHUANIAN PRIME MINISTER PRUNSKIENE TOLD REPORTERS AFTER WEDNESDAY'S SIGNING THAT THE MAIN TOPIC OF DISCUSSION IN THE AGREEMENT WILL BE FUEL.

SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV SHARPLY CURTAILED SUPPLIES OF CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS TO LITHUANIA IN APRIL AFTER VILNIUS REFUSED TO SCRAP ITS DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE FROM THE SOVIET UNION.

LITHUANIA PROCLAIMED ITS INDEPENDENCE FROM THE SOVIET UNION ON MARCH 11, BUT SUSPENDED ITS DECLARATION IN JUNE TO INITIATE SOVEREIGNTY TALKS WITH MOSCOW.

THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, LED BY RADICAL REFORMER BORIS YELTSIN, DECLARED IN JUNE THAT ITS LAWS TOOK PRECEDENCE OVER THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT'S, AND RECENTLY DECLARED INVALID ANY CENTRAL GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS TO SELL OFF THE REPUBLIC'S NATURAL RESOURCES.

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SINGAPORE (AUG. 16) KYODO - SANYO SECURITIES CO. OF JAPAN HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BY SINGAPORE FINANCIAL AUTHORITIES TO CONDUCT STOCKBROKING BUSINESS IN SINGAPORE, A SENIOR COMPANY OFFICIAL SAID THURSDAY.

THIS INCREASES THE NUMBER OF JAPANESE SECURITIES HOUSES ENGAGED IN STOCKBROKING IN SINGAPORE TO 15.

HIDEYO TANAKA, PRESIDENT OF SINGAPORE-BASED SANYO MERCHANT BANK, SAID HIS COMPANY RECEIVED OFFICIAL APPROVAL TO UPGRADE ITS REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN SINGAPORE TO A MERCHANT BANK IN MAY, BUT IT WAS ONLY LAST FRIDAY THAT IT OBTAINED A DEALING LICENSE TO DO STOCKBROKING.

WITHOUT THE STATUS OF A ''MERCHANT BANK,'' REPRESENTATIVE OFFICES OF FOREIGN SECURITIES HOUSES ARE ONLY ALLOWED TO COLLECT INFORMATION.

CURRENTLY, THERE ARE SEVEN REPRESENTATIVE OFFICES OF JAPANESE SECURITIES HOUSES IN SINGAPORE, WITH MANY OF THEM PLANNING TO UPGRADE INTO MERCHANT BANKS TO ENGAGE IN ACTIVITIES SUCH AS CORPORATE FINANCING, INVESTMENT

MANAGEMENT AND FINANCING, MONEY MARKET TRANSACTIONS, AND STOCKBROKING.

OBSERVING THAT JAPANESE INTEREST IN THE REGION'S STOCK MARKETS HAS BEEN GROWING STRONGER IN THE PAST EIGHT MONTHS, TANAKA SAID THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SINGAPORE BRANCH WILL EXTEND TO NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES SUCH AS MALAYSIA, INDONESIA AND THAILAND.

HE SAID JAPANESE INVESTORS ARE NOW SHIFTING THEIR INTEREST FROM THE U.S. AND EUROPEAN MARKETS TO THIS REGION WHICH HAS THE HIGHEST ECONOMIC GROWTH IN THE WORLD.

BUT TANAKA SAID THE SMALL CAPITALIZATION OF THE REGION'S STOCK MARKETS -- ABOUT 126 BILLION DOLLARS -- MAKES IT DIFFICULT FOR JAPANESE INVESTORS TO PLACE LARGE BUY ORDERS.

BESIDES JAPANESE BROKERAGE HOUSES, SOME JAPANESE BANKS, SUCH AS BANK OF TOKYO AND INDUSTRIAL BANK OF JAPAN, HAVE ALSO ESTABLISHED MERCHANT BANKING SUBSIDIARIES HERE TO ENGAGE IN STOCKBROKING. IN JAPAN, BANKS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO ENGAGE IN STOCKBROKING.

JAPANESE BANKS AND BROKERAGE FIRMS OPERATING HERE MAINLY TRY TO GET JAPANESE INVESTORS TO TRADE IN LOCAL SHARES AND ALSO TO GET LOCAL INVESTORS TO BUY SHARES IN JAPAN. BUT ALL TRANSACTIONS IN LOCAL SHARES ARE CARRIED OUT INDIRECTLY THOUGH BROKERAGE FIRMS -- MOST OF THEM LOCAL -- WHICH ARE MEMBERS OF THE STOCK EXCHANGE OF SINGAPORE.

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TOKYO (AUG. 16) KYODO - THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) WILL BEGIN BASIC RESEARCH NEXT YEAR ON A PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER SYSTEM IN SPACE THAT WILL ENABLE THE SUN'S RAYS TO BE CAPTURED AND SENT BACK TO THE EARTH, MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

SOLAR POWER UNITS STATIONED IN SPACE WOULD BE MORE EFFICIENT THAN EARTH-BASED PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER SYSTEMS, THE OFFICALS SAID. WHILE MUCH OF THE SUN'S ENERGY IS FILTERED OUT BY THE EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE AND CLOUDY WEATHER, THESE CONDITIONS DO NOT EXIST IN SPACE, THEY ADDED.

MITI HAS COMMISSIONED THE NEW ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (NEDO) TO HEAD UP A TEAM OF EXPERTS TO BEGIN RESEARCH AND GATHER INFORMATION, AS PART OF ITS ALTERNATIVE ENERGY PROGRAM TO REDUCE INCREASING CARBON GAS EMISSIONS WHICH ARE KNOWN TO DAMAGE THE ENVIRONMENT, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

NEDO IS A GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION WHICH HEADS A NATIONAL PROJECT TO DEVELOP ALTERNATIVE AND CLEAN ENERGY SOURCES. AT PRESENT, IT CONDUCTS RESEARCH IN COOPERATION WITH JAPANESE INDUSTRY ON SOLAR POWER, WINDPOWER AND NUCLEAR FUSION.

THE PROJECT ENVISIONS A PHOTOVALTAIC POWER GENERATOR EQUIPPED WITH A SOLAR PANEL UNIT IN GEOSTATIONARY ORBIT AROUND THE EARTH. A PANEL UNIT 5 TO 10 KILOMTERS SQUARE WOULD BE NEEDED TO GENERATE FIVE MILLION KILOWATTS, OR EQUIVALENT TO OUTPUT OF SOME FIVE NUCLEAR POWER STATIONS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

EQUIPMENT AND SOLAR PANELS WOULD BE LIFTED INTO SPACE BY ROCKET AND THEN ASSEMBLED. ENERGY CAPTURED BY THE SOLAR PANEL UNIT WOULD BE SENT BY MICROWAVE SIGNALS OR LASER TO AN EARTH-BASED POWER RECEIVER STATION.

THE OFFICIAL SAID THE RESULTS OF THE NEW PROJECT AND CURRENT NUCLEAR FUSION RESEARCH ARE EXPECTED TO BE PUT INTO PRATICAL USE SOMETIME BETWEEN 2020 AND 2040.

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TOKYO (AUG. 16) KYODO - TORAY INDUSTRIES INC. SAID THURSDAY ITS SUBSIDIARY IN INDONESIA, P.T. INDONESIA TORAY SYNTHETICS (ITS), PLANS TO INCREASE ITS MONTHLY POLYESTER FILAMENT PRODUCTION FROM 330 TONS TO 1,170 TONS.

TORAY OFFICIALS SAID THAT SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY INDONESIAN AUTHORITIES, AN ADDITIONAL FACILITY WITH A MONTHLY CAPACITY OF 840 TONS WILL BE BUILT TO GO ON STREAM IN MARCH 1992.

THE EXPANSION, COSTING AN ESTIMATED 8 BILLION YEN, WILL HELP MEET GROWING DEMAND BY LOCAL TEXTILE MANUFACTURERS, THEY SAID.

ITS, ONE OF INDONESIA'S TOP MANUFACTURERS OF SYNTHETIC FIBER, AT PRESENT PRODUCES 1,650 TONS OF POLYESTER STAPLE AND 850 TONS OF NYLON FILAMENT IN ADDITION TO 330 TONS OF POLYESTER FILAMENT.

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TOKYO (AUG. 16) KYODO - A JAPANESE DELEGATION REPRESENTING THE COUNTRY'S FINANCIAL INDUSTRY WILL VISIT THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE FROM NEXT MONDAY TO STUDY THE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL ENVIRONMENT FOR LONG-TERM INVESTMENT, OFFICIALS AT A RESEARCH GROUP SAID THURSDAY.

THE FINANCIAL AFFAIRS RESEARCH GROUP, A PRIVATE GROUP HEADED BY HIROMI TOKUDA, CHAIRMAN OF NOMURA RESEARCH INSTITUTE LTD., WILL SEND THE DELEGATION, TO BE MADE UP OF THE RESEARCH GROUP'S EXECUTIVE MEMBERS FROM JAPANESE TRUST BANKS, LONG-TERM CREDIT BANKS, AS WELL AS LIFE AND NONLIFE INSURANCE FIRMS.

DURING THE FOUR-DAY TRIP, THE GROUP MEMBERS WILL EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH FINANCIAL AUTHORITIES AND CENTRAL BANK GOVERNORS IN THE SOVIET UNION ON THE ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL SITUATION.

THEY WILL MEET WITH OFFICIALS OF THE CZECH CENTRAL BANK NEXT THURSDAY. INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID FEW JAPANESE INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS HAVE EVER VISITED THE EASTERN BLOC COUNTRIES.

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#90228k0063 08/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 16) KYODO - THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT WILL LIFT AN EIGHT-YEAR BAN ON ENTRY OF SOVIET SHIPS AT A SHIPYARD NEAR THE U.S. NAVAL BASE AT SUBIC BAY, JUSTICE SECRETARY FRANKLIN DRILON SAID THURSDAY.

HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT HOPES THE MOVE WILL GENERATE 20 MILLION DOLLARS IN EXTRA INCOME A YEAR.

DRILON IS HEAD OF THE CABINET GROUP ON NATIONAL SECURITY WHICH DECIDED TO LIFT THE BAN. HE SAID THE MOVE WAS MADE TO GENERATE MUCH-NEEDED EMPLOYMENT AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE. DRILON ADDED THE U.S. HAD FAILED ON ITS PROMISE TO GIVE WORK ORDERS TO THE PHILIPPINE SHIPYARD AND ENGINEERING CORPORATION (PHILSECO).

THE ENTRY OF VESSELS FROM THE SOVIET UNION AND OTHER SOCIALIST COUNTRIES TO THE PHILSECO SHIPYARD WAS RESTRICTED IN 1982 UPON THE REQUEST OF THE U.S. THE SHIPYARD IS LOCATED NEAR THE SUBIC NAVAL BASE, ABOUT 80 KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF MANILA.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SAID PHILSECO CONCEDED TO THE REQUEST AFTER THE U.S. PROMISED TO GIVE JOB ORDERS TO THE SHIPYARD TO KEEP IT ECONOMICALLY VIABLE.

BOTH THE SOVIET AND U.S. EMBASSIES REFUSED TO COMMENT ON THE MOVE, SAYING THEY HAVE NOT RECEIVED INFORMATION ON THE CABINET DECISION.

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#90228k0067 08/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 16) KYODO - THE AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY WILL LOWER THE CRUDE OIL RESERVE LEVEL REQUIRED OF OIL COMPANIES AND ASK JAPANESE REFINERS TO BOOST PRODUCTION, AGENCY OFFICIALS SAID THURSDAY.

THE AGENCY WILL ALSO SUSPEND THE PLANNED INCREASE IN THE GOVERNMENT'S OIL RESERVES TO SECURE A STABLE SUPPLY OF CRUDE OIL ON THE DOMESTIC MARKET, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE MEASURES ARE THE AGENCY'S RESPONSE TO THE GROWING PROSPECT OF AN OIL CRUNCH IN THE WAKE OF IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT AND THE CONSEQUENT

INTERNATIONAL EMBARGO ON IRAQI EXPORTS, THEY SAID.

JAPANESE OIL COMPANIES ARE REQUIRED TO STOCKPILE AT LEAST 82 DAYS SUPPLY OF CRUDE OIL.

THE AGENCY WILL ALLOW THEM TO LOWER THAT LEVEL IF THE WORLD OIL MARKET BECOMES SO TIGHT THAT JAPANESE FIRMS CAN NO LONGER SECURE NECESSARY SUPPLIES WITHOUT BUYING OIL AT UNREASONABLY HIGH SPOT PRICES, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

''SUCH A SITUATION, HOWEVER, IS UNLIKELY TO OCCUR UNTIL OCTOBER AT THE EALIEST SINCE JAPANESE OIL COMPANIES HAVE ALREADY SECURED SUPPLIES FOR AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER,'' SAID NAOKI KURODA, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE AGENCY'S PETROLEUM DEPARTMENT.

THE AGENCY WILL ALSO ASK JAPANESE OIL REFINERS TO BOOST PRODUCTION BY 3.6 MILLION KILOLITERS TO COMPENSATE FOR THE LOSS OF OIL PRODUCT IMPORTS FROM IRAQ AND KUWAIT.

THE AMOUNT IS EQUIVALENT TO 2 PERCENT OF ANNUAL PRODUCTION, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

JAPAN IMPORTS 49.39 MILLION KILOLITERS OF OIL PRODUCTS, OR 23 PERCENT OF DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION.

KUWAIT IS THE SECOND LARGEST OIL PRODUCT SUPPLIER FOLLOWING SAUDI ARABIA, SUPPLYING 14.0 PERCENT OF JAPAN'S NEEDS.

THE OFFICIALS SAID IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR OIL REFINERS TO FIND ALTERNATE SUPPLIERS BECAUSE SUPPLY VOLUME IS LIMITED AND OIL PRODUCT STANDARDS VARY FROM COUNTRY TO COUNTRY.

JAPANESE OIL REFINERS HAVE ASKED THE GOVERNMENT TO EXPAND QUOTAS FOR OIL REFINING TO COPE WITH POTENTIAL SUPPLY SHORTAGES.

THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO DECIDED TO POSTPONE THE PLANNED INCREASE IN THE NATIONAL RESERVES FOR THE TIME BEING, THEY SAID.

''BUT WE ARE NOT YET CONSIDERING CANCELING THE THREE-MILLION KILOLITER INCREASE IN THE RESERVE PLANNED FOR FISCAL 1990,'' KURODA SAID.

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#90228k0077 08/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 16) KYODO - THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY PLANS TO REQUEST A TOTAL OF 7.15 BILLION YEN IN THE FISCAL 1991 BUDGET TO DEVELOP NEW TECHNOLOGIES TO PRESERVE THE ENVIRONMENT, OFFICIALS SAID THURSDAY.

THE FIGURE REPRESENTS A FUNDING INCREASE OF ABOUT 18 PERCENT YEAR-ON-YEAR.

NEW TECHNOLOGIES WILL INCLUDE METAL-RECYCLING AND GENERATION OF HYDROGEN BY USING MICROORGANISMS, THEY SAID.

THE OFFICIALS SAID METAL-RECYCLING TECHNOLOGY AIMS TO EXTRACT IRON AND OTHER METALS FROM SCRAPS OF IRON AND OTHER METAL ALLOYS, BY DECOMPOSITION. THE NEW TECHNOLOGY WILL BE DEVELOPED UNDER A 10-YEAR PLAN, AND 100 MILLION YEN WILL BE SOUGHT FOR THE FIRST YEAR.

A PROJECT TO DEVELOP TECHNOLOGY TO GENERATE HYDROGEN USING MICROORGANISMS AIMS TO SECURE POLLUTION-FREE ENERGY. MITI IS EXPECTED TO SEEK 50 MILLION YEN FOR THIS IN FISCAL 1991.

MITI WILL CONSIDER HAVING THE RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGY FOR THE EARTH HOLD SEMINARS OVERSEAS AND INVITE FOREIGN RESEARCHERS TO JOIN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS. THE INSTITUTE WAS ESTABLISHED, MAINLY BY MITI, IN KYOTO IN JULY.

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#90228k0081 08/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 16) KYODO - YOKOGAWA ELECTRIC CORP. HAS RECEIVED A 1 BILLION YEN ORDER FROM THE SOVIET UNION FOR A SYSTEM USED TO MANAGE ETHYLENE PRODUCTION, THE COMPANY SAID THURSDAY.

THE SYSTEM, WHICH AUTOMATICALLY CONTROLS PRESSURE AND TEMPERATURE IN THE PROCESS OF PRODUCING ETHYLENE, WILL BE INSTALLED BY MAY 1992 AT ONE OF THE LARGEST SOVIET ETHYLENE PLANTS, YOKOGAWA OFFICIALS SAID.

THE MAJOR JAPANESE MANUFACTURER OF INDUSTRIAL MEASURING INSTRUMENTS AND EQUIPMENT HOPES TO REACH ANNUAL SALES OF 8 BILLION YEN THREE YEARS FROM NOW IN TRADE WITH THE SOVIET UNION, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90228k0086 08/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 16) KYODO - JAPANESE SHIPYARDS HAVE FARED WELL AMID AN INFLUX OF SHIPBUILDING ORDERS, BUT ARE ANXIOUS ABOUT TENSION IN THE GULF AREA AFTER IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT, SHIPYARD OFFICIALS SAID THURSDAY.

THE OFFICIALS SAID SOARING CRUDE OIL PRICES AFTER THE AUGUST 2 INVASION HAVE RAISED FEARS ABOUT INFLATION. IN FACT, SHIPBUILDING NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN JAPANESE YARDS AND FOREIGN SHIPPING FIRMS FOR DELIVERY FROM 1993 HAVE BEEN VIRTUALLY SUSPENDED, THE SHIPBUILDERS' ASSOCIATION OF JAPAN SAID.

JAPANESE SHIPYARDS ARE BOOKED UP TO TWO YEARS AHEAD, AND MOST ORDERS ARE

FOR 200,000-DEADWEIGHT CRUDE OIL TANKERS, OR LARGER. THE YARDS FEAR GULF DEVELOPMENTS MAY CAUSE ADVERSE EFFECTS, OFFICIALS SAID.

MITSUBISHI HEAVY INDUSTRIES LTD., JAPAN'S TOP SHIPBUILDING COMPANY, WON AN ORDER IN MAY FROM KUWAIT FOR TWO LARGE 78,000 CUBIC-METERS CAPACITY LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS (LPG) TANKERS, WORTH ABOUT 10 BILLION YEN EACH. BOTH SHIPS WERE SET FOR DELIVERY IN THE FIRST HALF OF 1993.

WHEN THE CONTRACT WAS CONCLUDED, THE KUWAIT COMPANY PAID ABOUT 20 PERCENT OF THE TANKERS' PRICE. THE NEXT PAYMENT IS DUE WHEN CONSTRUCTION WORK ON BOTH TANKERS GETS UNDERWAY IN THE LATTER HALF OF 1991. MITSUBISHI OFFICIALS SAID THE PROBLEM IS WHETHER THE KUWAIT COMPANY WILL MAKE PAYMENTS THEN. THE OFFICIALS SAID THEY WILL WAIT AND WATCH DEVELOPMENTS IN THE GULF CRISIS.

A KUWAIT FIRM ORDERED A SMALL LPG TANKER FROM A MEDIUM-SIZE JAPANESE YARD FOR DELIVERY IN 1992. THIS DEAL WILL BE AFFECTED MOST BY THE GULF TENSION THE SHIPBUILDERS ASSOCIATION OF JAPAN SAID.

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#90228k0087 08/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 16) KYODO - NIPPON MINING CO. SAID THURSDAY IT WILL SHORTLY BEGIN PROSPECTING FOR OIL IN CENTRAL PAPUA NEW GUINEA ALONG WITH THE AUSTRALIAN OIL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, COMMAND PETROLEUM HOLDINGS.

EXPLORATION WILL BE UNDERTAKEN IN A 6,000 SQUARE KILOMETER INLAND OIL CONCESSION ABOUT 300 KILOMETERS FROM PORT MORESBY, IT SAID.

NIPPON MINING, WHICH HAS ACQUIRED A 50.5 PERCENT INTERERST IN THE OIL CONCESSION FROM COMMAND PETROLEUM, SAID TWO EXPLORATORY WELLS WILL BE SUNK BY THE END OF NEXT YEAR.

TEIKOKU OIL CO., A JAPANESE OIL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, AND SOME AUSTRALIAN FIRMS ARE EXPECTED TO JOIN IN THE VENTURE.

CHEVRON CORP., A MAJOR U.S. OIL FIRM, HAS FOUND OIL IN AN ADJACENT CONCESSION, NIPPON MINING SAID.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG 16) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The LABOR DEPARTMENT reports that the Consumer Price Index for July rose 0.4% which was in line with expectations. Economists surveyed by Reuters were expecting a 0.3% rise in the index. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that housing starts for July fell 2.6%. Economists were expecting starts to be unchanged from June.

U.S. Treasury bonds fall one quarter point in U.S. after the CPI report and the dollar holds steady. ... In Tokyo the Nikkei loses 562.68 points. ... U.S. stocks in London are little changed to slightly lower in afternoon trading. The dollar is mixed in London. of FRUIT OF THE LOOM stock to an investor group for $43 million. ... SUN MICROSYSTEMS has entered into a cross-licensing agreement with IBM. ... BANK OF NEW YORK's plan to acquire NORTHEAST BANCORP was rejected by the Fed. ... FORD MOTOR COMPANY is idling two car- assembly plants and extending a shut down at a third in the face of sagging sales.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

At 10 a.m. EDT, the LABOR DEPARTMENT releases real earnings for July. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT is scheduled to release a report on the competitiveness of the U.S. telecommunications industry at 11 a.m. EDT.

FROM THE BULLS:

"We're watching for moments to get into the high-quality growth stocks we like," says ANDREW RILEY, portfolio strategist at YAMAICHI INTERNATIONAL. "I think Hussein will end up backing out, and that will eventually be very good for financial markets. The potential for a real positive surprise is out there." (Reuters, 8/15)

"The market is just marking time because many investors are cautious and frightened by the Mideast crisis," says money manager NORMAN YU of Newport Beach, Calif. "I feel we have seen the lows for the market. What we're seeing now is a lessening of selling pressure and an increase in accumulation. ... I don't think we're in a bear market even though some of the broad indicators are in downtrends. ... I expect the Dow to rally and top 3250 before year-end." ("Investor's Daily", 8/16)

FROM THE BEARS:

"Despite what we interpret as bullish signals, we are not ready to get back into the market and will remain only 20% invested in stocks," says MICHAEL BURKE, editor of "Investors Intelligence" investment newsletter. ("USA Today", 8/16)

STOCK MARKET:

"No one is making any big moves, because right now there are too many

unknowns," says SID DORR, head of institutional trading at CHARLES SCHWAB. "There's plenty of cash on the sidelines that's not tempted to come back into the market." (Reuters, 8/15)

"This is not an environment where one could be very aggressive," says SURESH BHIRUD, chief investment strategist at OPPENHEIMER & CO. ("The Washington Post", 8/16)

"You've got an extraordinarily indecisive group of investors and with good reason," says JACK CONLON, head of stock trading at ROTHSCHILD INC. He sees the past three days of rising stock prices, no matter how modest, as a "mild victory for the bulls." He expects a short- term rally to carry the Dow back up to 2850 before it heads back down. ("USA Today", 8/16)

"A hypothesis would be that if this situation cleared up in this Middle East, the market probably would have a rather dramatic upside move, probably 75 or 150 points," says DENNIS KELLY, vice president of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT. "Then I think what would happen is that reality would set in and we would have to really start dealing with the financial underpinnings of this economy." He says if he had new investment money coming in now, he probably would commit 20-to-25 percent to "a good quality portfolio and scale it depending on the course of events in the next couple of weeks." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 8/16)

"In all [Wednesday] was a dull day," says ROBERT STOVALL, president of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS INC. "A day filled with a lot of offsets: The dollar ended higher, which bodes well for United States exports in the future. Crude oil prices rose, but oil stocks fell because of profit taking." (NYT, 8/16)

STOCK TIPS:

DENNIS KELLY, vice president of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT, acknowledges that he is "very defensive" in investment choices these days. Having said that he likes PEPSICO, GTE, AT&T, H.J. HEINZ, HERSHEY, PACIFIC TELESIS, and SCHERING PLOUGH. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/15)

Iraq's invasion of Kuwait may have slowed a slide in defense stocks, but "USA Today" reports this morning that analysts warn the antidote won't last long. "All this is doing is delaying the agony," says JOHN SIMON of SEIDLER AMDEC SECURITIES, an extreme bear on defense stocks. "We are still buddies with the Russians and there is still going to be a reduction in defense spending," says GARY REICH of SHEARSON LEHMAN. MICHAEL LaTRONICA of LABE SIMPSON & CO. agrees the industry is in for hard times, but says, "I don't see a cliff that we're about to fall off." He says there will be "pockets of opportunity" in defense stocks over the next year or so. ("USA Today", 8/16)

"We're not recommending any defense stocks at all at this time," says analyst PHIL FRIEDMAN of PAINEWEBBER GROUP INC. GREG McCRICKARD, vice president at T. ROWE PRICE ASSOCIATES INC., says, "This is an opportunity to sell into strength before the [defense] stocks drop even lower." ("Investor's Daily", 8/16)

CHARLES WOLF, an analyst with FIRST BOSTON, has a buy recommendation on BUSINESSLAND INC. He says, "I see quite a bit of value there" in case of a takeover, and he believes that the company could look appealing to a systems integrator. Even without a potential takeover, he says, "It's come down so far I don't see any downside. If they come close to breaking even in the September quarter, I think the stock will go up, maybe not a lot, but even from $3 to $6 would be pretty good." DOUG van DORSTEN, an analyst with SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS, disagrees, "Based on its valuation, it's a pretty cheap company now. ... I suppose you could buy stock down here, but it's real risky. If things work out for them, the stock could double or triple in value, but you'd have some sleepless nights in the meantime." (NYT, 8/16)

"I feel there are opportunities if an investor is selective," says money manager NORMAN YU of Newport Beach, Calif. "It's when everyone is cautious that there are opportunities." Yu's key stocks are AMGEN INC., BOEING CO., COMPAQ COMPUTER, MERCK & CO. and STUDENT LOAN MARKETING ASSOCIATION. ("Investor's Daily", 8/16)

"Utilities are the best place to look for defensive stocks," says ROBERT RITTER of LANDENBERG THALMAN. Investors worried about the twin threats of recession and inflation should also consider food and drug stocks. (CNN Business Day, 9/16)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 16) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"The dollar will keep moving lower to about 1.500 marks and 1.23 Swiss francs," says CHARLES WHEELER, vice president at SWISS VOLKSBANK. "The July CPI is not relevant now since oil prices have jumped because of the Mideast crisis." (Reuters, 8/15)

"I think there is still a lot more downside risk" to the dollar, says DAVID GILMORE, currency analyst for McCARTHY, CRISANTI & MAFFEI. "I think the economic fundamentals in the States are so weak that the markets around the world are looking to sell the unit. You can't keep selling it

day after day, however, and I think we are at some temporary support here and we might see it bounce back a little bit. week." He sees a short-term bottom around 1.55 for the mark and 156.50 for the yen. But he expects the yen to "break under 140, probably in the next month or, so and dollar-marks should go down in the 1.35-1.40 area." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/15)

"The best thing that could happen now for the United States is a falling dollar that would work against recession by improving exports and reducing imports," says GEOFFREY BELL of the New York company bearing his name. ("The Washington Post", 8/16)

"The [gold] market was due for a setback, following the recent steep gains " says WILLIAM O'NEILL of MERRILL LYNCH. "But the bull trend is still very much in tact." (Reuters, 8/15)

CHARLES LEIBERMAN of MANUFACTURERS HANOVER SECURITIES says the Fed is "really torn" between wanting to ease credit because of a slowing economy and not spur inflation in the face of rising oil prices. But he believes the Fed "will ultimately come down with the conclusion that it's the recession that's the cancer and the inflation that is the ingrown toenail." In that case, he says, there is no choice but to treat the cancer with lower interest rates. (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 8/15)

In the credit markets, news on the Middle East still seems to be taking the priority over data about the health of the U.S. economy. "That's the tail that's wagging the dog," says WARD McCARTHY, managing director at STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES INC. "The market is wrestling between a picture that seems attractive outside of Middle East events and saber rattling." He says evidence of economic weakness and expectations for lower U.S. rates are a plus for Treasuries. McCarthy predicts that the Fed will ease. "At the [FOMC] meeting the choices are going to be lower rates or recession." (Reuters, 8/15)

"Persian Gulf uncertainties have left [bond yields and other] interest rates at levels that are steep relative to tangible fundamentals," observes JOHN LONSKI, senior economist at MOODY'S. "Slower economic growth is likely. Unless the Mideast crisis is resolved, at some point, oil prices will be pushed lower by a sagging world economy. A major bond rally could then emerge. Rising interest rates in a softening economy may be signaling a future bond rally." ("Investor's Daily", 8/16)

"The bond market is on a teeter-totter," says ROBERTA OLSON, fixed- income portfolio manager at BANC ONE ASSET MANAGEMENT CORP. "One minute it's focusing on political developments, the next on what's going on in our economy." (WSJ, 8/16)

"Factors probably outside our control or our ability to predict will keep bouncing the [bond] market around. It's just random events," says GILBERT CLARK, senior vice president at DAIWA SECURITIES AMERICA INC. (Reuters, 8/15)

Wednesday "was a volatile day of trading" in the bond market, says KEVIN FLANAGAN, money market analyst at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS INC. "Investors are groping for some direction. Everybody is trying to figure out where the economy is heading. Some say we're in a recession right now, others say we'll have a recession in a month or two and others believe we aren't in a recession and won't have a recession." For investors, he says "there is still a lot of confusion." (WSJ, 8/16)

THE ECONOMY:

"The U.S. economy is bad, but may not be as bad as everyone keeps moaning and groaning about," says ERIK LEHTIS, a New York currency trader for France's CREDIT AGRICOLE. (WSJ, 8/16)

The NATIONAL FEDERATION OF INDEPENDENT BUSINESS reports that the proportion of business managers predicting a downturn in the economy rose to 22% in the third-quarter, compared to 14% in the second- quarter. "It tells us the negative news that's been hitting Wall Street and the economists over the past six months is really beginning to hit home," says TERRY HILL, a spokesman for the federation. "I would interpret this [report] as a reflection of the very slow growth in the economy," says LYLE GRAMLEY, chief economist for the MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA. "If you look at the economic numbers as they've been coming in recently, they've been quite soft. They don't suggest to me that we're in a recession, but that we're very close to a recession." ("The Washington Post", 8/16)

Yesterday's COMMERCE DEPARTMENT report that inventories fell 0.4% prompts SUNG WON SOHN, chief economist at NORWEST CORP., to say, "Businesses are lean and mean" in preparation for an economic slowdown. ("USA Today", 8/16)

Business sales rose 1% in June according to the COMMERCE DEPARTMENT. "It's modest growth," says MICHAEL EVANS, head of EVANS ECONOMICS INC., a Washington forecasting firm, "not very exciting, but not recession numbers." (NYT, 8/16)

"When you put motor vehicles to one side, the industrial economy keeps crawling upward," says ROBERT DEDERICK, chief economist at NORTHERN TRUST CO. in Chicago. (WSJ, 8/16)

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NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Brock Exploration Corp. (PSE: BKE), a New Orleans-based independent oil and gas producer, has reported net income for the first quarter ended June 30 of $81 thousand or $.02 per share from revenues of $2.9 million.

These results compare with net income of $209 thousand or $.05 per share from revenues of $2.4 million for the same quarter last year.

Attributing to the reduction of net earnings was approximately $138 thousand of expenses due to well stimulation work in progress in the Austin Chalk area and recording abandonment expenses of $375 thousand to retire properties not contributing to profits.

The company did receive $509 thousand in non-recoupable take-or-pay settlements this quarter, a portion of the anticipated amount for fiscal 1991.

The company also has reduced long-term debt by $708 thousand since March 31, 1990.

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LAURENCE HARBOR, N.J. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Convergent Solutions, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSOL) today announced that it acquired substantially all of the operating assets of MHT Services Inc. MHT licenses software which converts application programs from the IBM DOS/VSE operating system to the IBM MVS operating system and performs software conversion services. Convergent Solutions markets and develops computer software products, including its proprietary application development system (CS/ADS).

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BOSTON (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Logitech Inc., market leader in input technology, today announced a significant addition to its ScanMan(R) line of hand-held scanners, ScanMan Model 256, scheduled to ship in October at a suggested retail price of $499 for the PC version and $599 for the Micro Channel version. The gray-scale scanner includes Logitech designed Ansel(TM) Image Editing Software, a high-performance scanning and editing software application featuring 256 gray-level image manipulation and

designed specifically to run under Microsoft(R) Windows(TM) 3.0.

ScanMan Model 256 is positioned as an ideal hand-held scanner for Windows users who desire the ability to produce high-quality output by capturing and editing gray-scale images, as well as the ability to scan full pages by "stitching" multiple scans.

The ScanMan Model 256 hardware is designed and manufactured entirely by Logitech and is the first hand-held scanner to be designed and manufactured in the United States. Logitech's ScanMan Model 256 carries a lifetime hardware warranty and features several proprietary analog and digital chips created to enhance hardware-to-software communication which more closely simulate how the human eye perceives the spectrum of gray scales. Logitech has patents pending on the ScanMan Model 256's image enhancement techniques.

"This combination of powerful hardware and sophisticated scanning software brings a new level of credibility to hand-held scanners," says Peter Phillips, product marketing manager. "ScanMan Model 256 is a serious desktop tool appropriate for a broad range of desktop publishing and image publishing needs. Over the past few years, we've seen amazing advances in hand-held scanning technology culminating in ScanMan Model 256. This product proves the validity of the hand-held scanning solution for beginning to professional users. With ScanMan Model 256, we've mastered these challenges and created a powerful product that will effectively complement our existing family of ScanMan hand-held scanners."

Headquartered in Fremont, Calif., Logitech designs, manufactures, and markets desktop tools -- hardware and software products that enhance individual productivity and creativity. With manufacturing facilities in Fremont; Cork, Ireland; and Hsinchu, Taiwan; and sales offices in major U.S. and European cities, the company is an acknowledged international market leader in input device technology.

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GAINESVILLE, FLA. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Howel H. Hopson, president of Phoenix Advanced Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: PATI) and Arnold Zimmerman, president of Nutri-Products, Inc. (NASDAQ: GOGO) today announced that special shareholders meetings for both companies will be held on Sept. 15, 1990 at the Gainesville Hilton in Gainesville, Fla.

The purposes of these meetings will be to obtain shareholder approval to merge the two companies, with the surviving company being Phoenix.

Election of board of directors will also take place.

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LAS VEGAS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - American Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: APFC; PSE: APFP) announced today that its principal subsidiary, Western Electrochemical Co. (WECCO) of Cedar City, Utah, one of America's two producers of ammonium perchlorate, had successfully completed all qualification testing for the use of WECCO's ammonium perchlorate in the Redesigned Solid Rocket Motors manufactured for NASA's space shuttle program by Thiokol Corp.

The final qualification event was the successful static test firing on Aug. 15, 1990 of a full-scale solid rocket motor at Thiokol's Northern Utah operations. The motor tested contained approximately 1.1 million pounds of propellant including 800,000 pounds of ammonium perchlorate.

This major milestone marks the culmination of WECCO's success in designing and bringing its ammonium perchlorate plant into full production in less than one year and the subsequent testing and qualification of its product for widespread use in the nation's space and defense systems. Since initial production in July, 1989, WECCO has produced in excess of 20 million pounds of ammonium perchlorate for these programs.

American Pacific's principal business activities consist of the production of ammonium perchlorate, the oxidizer utilized in composite solid rocket propellants employed by a large number of space and military systems. Through direct and indirect subsidiaries, the company is engaged in the manufacture of chlorate and perlorate chemicals, the design and manufacture of electrolytic systems and electrodes, the design and manufacture of pollution control systems, and industrial real estate development.

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DALLAS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Southland Corporation today announced that its previously announced exchange offers have been extended to expire at midnight, New York time, on Aug. 23, 1990, unless further extended. The company also announced that Ito-Yokado Co., Ltd., Seven-Eleven Japan Co., Ltd., and Southland have mutually agreed to extend the termination

date of their previously announced stock purchase agreement to Sept. 15, 1990.

In addition, Southland announced that its senior bank lenders have approved an amendment to the credit agreement that is necessary for the consummation of the company's exchange offers and stock purchase agreement.

As of midnight on August 15, the following securities had been tendered: 13-1/2 percent senior extendible reset notes -- 74.7 percent, or $394,149,138 principal amount ($292,428,319 by guarantee); 15-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes -- 67.5 percent, or $236,371,986 principal amount ($87,986,986 by guarantee); 16-1/2 percent senior subordinated discount notes -- 28.2 percent, or $113,324,000 principal amount ($58,021,000 by guarantee); 16-3/4 percent subordinated debentures -- 42.5 percent, or $212,406,757 principal amount ($59,403,757 by guarantee); 18 percent junior subordinated discount debentures -- 42.8 percent, or $31,334,000 principal amount ($15,924,000 by guarantee); and 15 percent cumulative exchangeable preferred stock -- 83.5 percent, or 11,529,953 shares (5,214,886 by guarantee).

Clark Matthews, Southland's chief financial officer, said, "We are extremely pleased at the number of securities tendered into our restructuring plan thus far. We believe that this high level of initial participation reflects the merits of the plan, and we continue to look forward to completing a successful restructuring."

Under the exchange offers, Southland bondholders and preferred stockholders are being offered new debt securities and approximately 25 percent of newly issued Southland common stock. Existing stockholders would retain approximately 5 percent of the company's common stock, and, following consummation of the exchange offers, Ito-Yokado and Seven-Eleven Japan would purchase 70 percent of the common stock for $430 million in cash.

In addition, Southland announced that the special meeting for holders of its preferred stock was adjourned to 10:00 p.m. Dallas time on Aug. 23, 1990, at 2711 North Haskell Avenue, Southland's headquarters in Dallas. Recordholders of preferred stock as of the close of business on July 13, 1990, will be eligible to vote at the meeting in person or by proxy. If the exchange offers are extended again, the company intends to further postpone or adjourn the special meeting so that it will occur on the expiration date of the exchange offers.

This announcement does not constitute an offer to sell or to buy any security or the solicitation of any consents or proxies, which offers and consent or proxy solicitation shall only be made by means of a proxy statement/prospectus.

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LAFAYETTE, LA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Exploration Company of Louisiana, Inc. (NASDAQ: XCOL), today announced results for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990. Gross revenues were US$5,661,000 and $8,112,000, respectively, as compared to $2,037,000 and $4,244,000, respectively, for the corresponding periods a year ago.

Revenues from oil and gas for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990, increased to $1,426,000 and $3,363,000, respectively, in 1990 from $975,000 and $2,081,000, respectively, in 1989.

The increase in oil and gas revenues for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990, reflects the net effects of higher production volumes and relatively stable prices in the 1990 periods.

During the second quarter of 1990, the company recognized a gain of $3,940,000 as a result of the series of merger and asset sale transactions which resulted in the company's 42 percent ownership of XCL Sunrise, Inc., a company publicly traded on the Official List of the International Stock Exchange, London.

The company's net income for the three months and six months ended June 30 1990, was $1,047,000 and $1,295,000, respectively, as compared to $195,000 and $748,000 for the same periods last year, reflecting the net effect of the higher revenues, including the gain, offset by higher costs incurred because of the company's increased production and exploration activity during 1990.

Marsden W. Miller Jr., chairman, stated, "The recently completed acquisition of the increased interests in the Berry R Cox field in South Texas, which we now operate, significantly increased our reserves in all categories, including a doubling of the company's proved reserves. This acquisition was financed by using part of the proceeds from the sale in July of $50,000,000, net of costs, of preferred stock and warrants to investors in the U.K.

"We believe that the Cox field has enormous potential. Therefore, in addition to the acquisition interests, the company has recently leased in excess of 8,000 additional acres adjacent to the field and has commenced drilling a well on part of the new acreage."

Miller further commented, "The increased revenues from the Cox field,

combined with the production revenues from development wells drilled in Texas and Louisiana, should positively impact the third and fourth quarter results. Also, with XCL Sunrise, Inc., now fully operational and starting to market our gas, we hope to realize higher prices in the coming quarters."

The Exploration Company of Louisiana, Inc., is an oil and gas exploration and production company with offices in Lafayette. The company's common shares are traded on NASDAQ (trading symbol - XCOL) and The Stock Exchange in London and the company's convertible preferred shares and warrants to purchase common shares are traded on The Stock Exchange in London.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Vestro Foods Inc. (NASDAQ: VEST) annnounced today the company's financial results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990. Net sales for the quarter increased 85 percent from $4,680,000 to $8,666,000. Net income for the quarter was $92,000 compared to $10,000 in the prior year.

Net sales for the six months ended June 30, 1990, increased by $6,238,000 from $9,095,000 to $15,333,000. Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $158,000 compared to a net loss of $160,000 in the prior year.

Alfred Strogoff, president and chief executive officer of Vestro Foods Inc. stated "The significant increase in sales arose mainly through the acquisition of Little Bear Organic Foods Inc. and Jan Holzmeister Cheesecake Ltd. These acquisitions represent the company's continuing commitment to the original operating strategy of the company -- the development of substantial niche food companies in the core segments of Fine Baked Products and Natural Foods."

VESTRO FOODS INC.

	For Three Months Ended June 30		For Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$8,666,000	$4,680,000	$15,333,000	$9,095,000
Income (loss) before extraordinary items	25,000	10,000	42,000	(160,000)
Extraordinary				

items	67,000(a)	--	116,000(a)	--
Net income (loss)	$92,000	$10,000	$158,000	($160,000)
Earnings (loss) per common share Before extra-ordinary items	($0.01)(b)	$0.00	($0.03)(b)	($0.01)
Extraordinary items	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
Net income	($0.01)	$0.00	($0.02)	($0.01)

(a) Represent the utilization of a net operating loss carry forward.

(b) Computed by adjusting net income for the company's quarterly preferred stock dividend, which amounted to $262,000 and $537,000 for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990, respectively.

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CAMARILLO, CALIF. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Siemens Solar Industries announced today that it will establish a new multimillion dollar production facility in Vancouver, Wash., to meet growing market demand for the company's solar products.

This expansion by America's leading manufacturer of photovoltaic solar electric products will create about 100 new jobs in Vancouver and increase the company's production capacity by 50 percent. The company is headquartered in Camarillo, Calif., where it employs more than 500 people.

Dr. Charles Gay, president of Siemens Solar Industries, said the expansion is good news for Vancouver, the solar industry and the company's position in a global marketplace.

"Our expansion into Vancouver is possible because of the high- tech talent who call the area home." Gay said. "It also underlines the growth of the solar industry throughout the U.S. and around the world. And because we export more than 75 percent of what we make, such growth contributes positively to our country's balance of trade."

Siemens Solar Industries is a world leader in the development and manufacture of both single crystal and thin film photovoltaic solar electric products. Its extensive market network spans over 100 countries. The company's products provide power for a wide range of industrial uses, such as telecommunications, and power for remote homes and recreational settings. Such products are particularly important in

meeting the diverse needs for power sources in developing nations around the world. Hundreds of thousands of independent solar electric systems, for example provide power for on- site water pumping, medical refrigeration, home and classroom lighting and other basic power needs.

Growing consumer demand in the United States for economical solar lighting is also driving the company's growth, another reason for the Vancouver expansion. This year the company introduced a consumer line of yard and garden lights under the theme "Outdoor Lighting Powered By the Sun." Market success is measured by the availability of these products (under the ARCO Solar brand name) in all 800 SEARS Stores across the country, as well as True Value, ACE Hardware and other major retail outlets.

This consumer product introduction is supported by the largest national print advertising campaign ever undertaken by a manufacturer of photovoltaic products. It also features the first national television campaign for solar electric products.

Siemens Solar Industries, formerly ARCO Solar, pioneered the use of largescale photovoltaic systems, including the design and installation of the largest photovoltaic power stations in the world, located in Calif.

Statement of Congressman Norm Dicks: "The technical advances that have been made in solar electric power development in recent years offer great promise for a broad range of commercial applications. As the market for photovoltaic energy expands, and as the cost of photovoltaic cells declines, I am please that this Siemens Solar Industries facility in our state will be at the cutting edge of an emerging technology. This is an important development for the Clark County area, as the industrial growth is creating a high-tech corridor from Vancouver through Beaverton. These are future-oriented jobs in a future-oriented industry."

Statement of Senator Brock Adams: "I'm glad to see Siemens Solar Industries moving into Vancouver. The move should create about 100 new, high-tech jobs in an area I support: alternative energy development. Developing solar energy is particularly critical now that the world is again falling prey to volatility in the international oil market."

Statement of Congresswoman Jolene Unsoeld: "On behalf of Clark County, I welcome Siemens Solar; America needs more renewable energy and Southwest Washington needs more high- tech manufacturing jobs.

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#90228p5995 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANCHORAGE, AK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - General Communication Inc. (GCI) (NASDAQ: GNCMA) today reported a consolidated net income for the second quarter of 1990 totaling $196,000, or one cent per share. This compares with second-quarter 1989 net income of $40,000.

Net income for the six-month period ended June 30 totaled $574,000, or four cents per share, compared with $472,000 during the same period of 1989, or three cents per share.

Year-to-date revenues through June 1990 totaled $31,173,000, a 26-percent increase over 1989 revenues of $24,654,000. Revenues for the second quarter of 1990 totaled $15,202,000, a 20-percent increase over second-quarter 1989 revenues of $12,716,000.

Operating income through June 1990 totaled $2,055,000, as compared to 1989 operating income of $3,018,000. Operating income for the second quarter of 1990 totaled $959,000, as compared to second-quarter 1989 operating income of $1,574,000.

Jack Hughes, GCI's senior vice president for marketing and sales, attributed the substantial improvement in revenues and net income to additional contribution resulting from increases in minutes of traffic carried and growth in private line operations, additional revenues associated with operating agreements with other common carriers, and additional revenues associated with the equipment sales and service operations of the company's wholly owned subsidiary, Transalaska Network Systems Inc.

Operating income decreased in 1990 as compared to 1989 as a result of increases in operating costs attributed to network expansion efforts and transmission revenue growth, and additional legal and regulatory costs associated with the company's effort to gain authority to provide intrastate services.

GCI, an Alaskan-owned and operated long distance telephone carrier, has more than 80,000 customers throughout Alaska.

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ANAHEIM, CA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Odetics Broadcast Division has sold four Odetics Broadcast Cart Machines and one Odetics News Control Terminal to ScanSat Broadcasting Ltd.

A Swedish company that is based in London, ScanSat was formed as an answer to previous laws forbidding transmission of commercial television from Scandinavian countries. Although those laws are currently being relaxed, ScanSat's business is strong and the company is in an expansion period.

The Odetics equipment is being used as part of ScanSat's satellite uplink of both programs and commercials for transmission in Sweden, Denmark, and Norway. Of the four cart machines purchased by ScanSat, two are TCS2000s and two are TCS90s. They also purchased an Odetics News Control Terminal.

ScanSat's programming is transmitted as the subscription movie channel, TV1000, and the general entertainment channel, TV3. The latter channel's programming is transmitted with subtitles in three languages - Swedish, Danish, and Norwegian - within the data signal vertical interval. The receiving network centers select the appropriate language for their viewing audience.

According to Norman Keers, technical operations manager, this method of transmission in multiple languages from a single output signal requires very flexible broadcast cart software.

Using a Connoley computerized control and scheduling system, ScanSat distributes both programs and promotions between the four Odetics Broadcast Cart machines. The flexibility of Odetics' software allows the Connoley system to look at the four cart machines as one unit.

"The database management features of Odetics Broadcast Cart Machines fit our philosophy of automation perfectly," explains Keers. "Using Odetics equipment allows us to go to complete automation. And when we increase the number of channels or languages we offer, the Odetics system can be easily expanded to meet our needs. It does not make sense to duplicate our equipment when we add a new service, but with other broadcast cart systems that is what we would have to do."

Celebrating its 20th year, Anaheim-based Odetics (AMEX: OB, OA) is a leading manufacturer of large library management video cart systems. There are more than 100 Odetics large library management cart machines playing directly to air throughout the world.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Navistar International Corporation (NYSE: NAV) today reported net income of $6 million for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 ended July 31. After dividends on the Series G preferred stock, income per common share was breakeven for the quarter. For the

comparable period in fiscal 1989, Navistar reported net income of $28 million, or $.08 cents per common share.

Consolidated sales and revenues of Navistar's manufacturing and finance operations for the third quarter of 1990 totalled $972 million, a decline from $1,083 million reported for the comparable quarter in 1989.

James C. Cotting, chairman and chief executive officer, said continuing weak industry-wide retail demand for medium and heavy trucks was the primary factor which reduced Navistar's sales and income for the third quarter of 1990 below the results for the comparable 1989 quarter.

Industry retail sales of medium and heavy trucks in North America in the third quarter of 1990 totalled 74,400 units, a 14 percent decline from 86,900 for the same quarter last year. Navistar reported its retail sales of International medium and heavy trucks totalled 20,300 units during the third quarter, compared with 23,800 units during the same period in 1989. The company said its shipments of mid-range diesel engines to original equipment manufacturers in the third quarter of 1990 increased approximately 4 percent above last year. Service parts sales were 12 percent higher.

For the first nine months of 1990, Navistar reported a net loss of $4 million, or $.10 per common share. Consolidated sales and revenues totalled $2,883 million. For the first nine months of 1989, Navistar reported net income of $100 million, or $.31 per common share, from consolidated sales and revenues of $3,230 million.

In order to balance production with retail demand, Navistar's assembly operations in its Springfield, Ohio and Chatham, Ontario plants were suspended for five days beginning on Aug. 13. Chatham operations will be suspended for an additional ten days in September and Springfield's medium truck assembly line will be shutdown for five days in October. Also, schedules at the Chatham plant will be reduced from 45 to 38 trucks per day beginning on Sept. 3.

Navistar is the leading producer of medium and heavy trucks in North America and a worldwide leader in mid-range diesel engine production.

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GOTEBORG, SWEDEN (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - SKF (NASDAQ: SKFRY), the world's largest manufacturer of bearings, today announced it has decided to construct a completely new factory for the manufacture of wheel bearings,

so called hub units. The factory is to be built in Glasgow, Ky., where SKF has operated a factory for some time. The entire project is estimated to cost almost half a billion Swedish kronor.

The investment is seen as a major attempt by SKF to increase the production capacity on the American continent. Approximately 80 percent of SKF's sales in the United States today are manufactured inside the country. The rest is imported from various SKF companies throughout the world, mainly Europe.

At present, SKF's largest hub unit manufacturing units are situated in Italy and France.

The new U.S. factory will begin production in June 1992. A special team of American and European technicians has been formed to plan the project. An extensive training program has just got under way at the SKF factories in Europe where technicians from the United States are receiving instruction and training.

A hub unit is a wheel bearing solution in which all functions are built into one compact unit. The bearings are sealed and lubricated to last the lifetime of the car. SKF has major orders on hand from the American car industry. This includes fitting the new model series of Chrysler's Van cars with SKF hub units.

NOTE: At Aug. 15, 1990, one U.S. dollar equaled 5.7590 Swedish Kronor.

CONTACT: Ake Svanberg of SKF, in Sweden, 011-46-31-37-20-05; or Mary Jo Dieckhaus, 212-686-8144, for SKF

-30- 1805

#90228p6004 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Airgas Inc. (NYSE: ARG) reported at its 1990 annual meeting of shareholders the appointment of two new directors.

At the meeting, Peter McCausland, chairman and chief executive officer, announced the election by shareholders of George de B. Bell, co-chairman of Janney Montgomery Scott Inc., and the appointment by the board of directors of John A. H. Shober, chief executive officer of Penn Virginia Corp., to the company's board of directors.

Bell has been with Janney Montgomery Scott since 1974 and co- chairman of its board since 1982. Prior to that, Bell was a senior partner with Dillon Read & Co. in New York and previously with Drexel & Co. in Philadelphia.

Shober has been with Penn Virginia Corp. since 1971 where he was president

from 1978-1988 before becoming CEO in 1989. Prior to that he was with Smith Kline & French Laboratories.

Airgas Inc. is the largest independent distributor of industrial, medical and specialty gases in the United States with more than 225 locations in 29 states and Canada.

CONTACT: Britton H. Murdoch or John P. McNiff, 215-687-5253, both OF Airgas

-30- 1306

#90228p6008 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

SECAUCUS, N.J. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Brandon Systems Corporation (NASDAQ: BRDN) a leading supplier of technical services to the computer industry, announced the regular quarterly dividend of $.06 per share, payable Oct. 10, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Sept. 21, 1990.

CONTACT: Ira B. Brown, president, or Peter Lordi, VP-finance and treasurer, both of Brandon Systems, 201-392-0800

-30- 566

#90228p6009 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - This morning, TSL Incorporated (NASDAQ: TSLI) and Regent Enterprises, Inc. and certain affiliates thereof executed an agreement regarding the acquisition by TSL Incorporated of at least 80 percent of the outstanding shares of common stock of Regent Enterprises, Inc. in exchange for 49 percent of the total shares outstanding of TSL Incorporated after the final closing of the transaction. The execution of the agreement is still subject, among other things, to its approval by the respective Board of Directors of the parties.

Regent Enterprises, Inc. of Carol Stream, Illinois is a leading manufacturer of flexible packaging with a broadly diversified product line. It manufactures and markets products through its flagship division Sealcraft, which currently employs 140 people.

Based in Denver, Colo., TSL, Inc. specializes in anti-tampering technologies for the pharmaceutical, food, cosmetic, security and packaging industries. The company holds patents on some of the most unique tamper-evident systems in the world.

CONTACT: Bruce H. Wolk of Carl Thompson Associates, Inc. for TSL, Inc., 303-494-5472; or Bill Koleszar of TSL, Inc., 303-671-8800

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DALLAS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Babbage's, Inc. (NASDAQ: BBGS), the nation's leading chain of consumer software specialty stores, today reported a 48 percent increase in sales to $25,042,000 for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 ended August 4, 1990, compared with $16,902,000 for the same quarter last year. Net loss for the quarter was $427,000, or $.08 per share, compared to a net loss of $493,000, or $.09 per share, reported for the same period last year.

For the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990, sales increased 43 percent to $50,378,000 from $35,286,000 for the first half of last year. The company reported a net loss of $395,000, or $.08 per share, compared to a net loss of $30,000, or $.01 per share, for the same period last year.

"Comparable-store sales for the second quarter were up 25 percent, the largest quarterly increase in the last two years," said James B. McCurry, chairman of the board. "Sales of video game system hardware and continuing growth in sales of video game software added significantly to our sales growth. Improved sales of software for IBM- compatible computers also contributed to the increase."

The lower net loss for the quarter resulted from effective expense control programs and higher sales, which offset the impact on gross margin of the continuing change in the sales mix toward lower-margin products. As a result of the change in sales mix, the company's gross margin was 29.1 percent for the second quarter, compared with 32.6 percent a year ago.

As of Aug. 16, 1990, Babbage's, Inc., operated 170 company-owned stores in 30 states, including four new units opened during the quarter. Virtually all of the company's stores are located in major regional shopping malls.

CONTACT: Opal P. Ferraro, Babbage's, Inc., 214-401-9000.

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#90228p6012 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO, TX (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Titan Holdings, Inc., a San Antonio based insurance holding company and a stockholder of Quest Medical Inc. announced today that it has submitted a proposal to the board of directors of Quest Medical, Inc., a Dallas based company, for the merger of Titan with and into Quest Medical, Inc.

In the merger, each share of Titan would be converted into shares of common stock of Quest at a conversion rate calculated by using 105 percent of the book value per common share for Quest.

The new shares to be issued to the Titan shareholders will be valued at a premium to existing Quest book value and at an estimated 60 percent premium over the existing market price for Quest's common stock.

At June 30, 1990, Titan had 120,750 shares of common stock outstanding and an unaudited book value of $236 per share and Quest had an unaudited book value at March 31, 1990 of $2.75 per share.

Based on the foregoing, Quest would issue 9,860,667 shares (representing approximately 63.5 percent of the resulting total number of shares of Quest to be outstanding after the merger) to Titan stockholders in the merger.

Titan Holdings is a privately held insurance holding company with equity of approximately $28.5 million and total assets of $80 million. It provides property and casualty insurance to approximately 1,000 small to medium size public entities throughout the United States.

The proposal states that the merger would be subject, among other conditions, to the execution of a definitive agreement, approval by the stockholders of Quest and satisfaction of all legal and regulatory requirements. The proposal states that the Titan offer expires on Aug. 22, 1990.

CONTACT: Michael J. Bodayle of Titan Holdings, 1-800-347-4740.

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#90228p6013 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

JFK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, NY (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - New York-based Tower Air reported its July 1990 revenue passenger miles (RPMs) on all services increased 3.3 percent compared to July 1989.

Carrier's available seat miles (ASMs) increased by approximately the same amount, 3.3 percent, over the comparable 1989 month. For July of this year RPMs totaled 237.6 million and ASMs totaled 265.6 million. For July of 1989, RPMs totaled 229.8 million and ASMs totaled 256.9 million.

Total passengers boarded for the 1990 month were 53,141 compared to 52,494 a 1.2 percent increase. Average load factors on all services for July this year were 89.5 percent, the same average load factor posted in July of 1989.

During this summer season, Tower Air has suspended flights from Miami to the Scandinavian countries of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden. Weekly flights will resume from Miami to destinations in those countries by the first week of November 1990. In addition, Tower will begin providing weekly flights from Miami to Helsinki, Finland.

Tower will operate a regular pattern of weekly charter flights to Copenhagen and Billund, Denmark; Oslo, Norway, and Gothenburg and Stockholm, Sweden. Tower Air continues to operate scheduled services from

New York to Tel Aviv, Israel, and the Scandinavian countries throughout the year.

Tower Air is a U.S. international scheduled and charter services operator headquartered at New York's JFK International Airport. In addition to the scheduled and charter services mentioned above, the carrier operates charters to France, Greece, and Italy. Tower Air will begin providing scheduled service to Paris in the spring of 1991. All services are provided with Boeing 747 aircraft.

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-30- 2033

#90228p6014 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - ZEOS International, Ltd. (NASDAQ/NMS: ZEOS) today announced it has signed a patent cross-license agreement with International Business Machines (NYSE: IBM).

The agreement grants each company a non-exclusive license which covers patents having an effective filing date prior to Jan. 1, 1995. The license covers IBM and ZEOS patents relating to computers, peripherals, communication and networking products as well as other advanced computer technologies.

According to ZEOS representatives, the company has been conducting discussions with IBM concerning the licensing of patents since early 1988. ZEOS has been accruing for a potential payment to IBM and the accrual is consistent with the agreement signed and thus will have no impact to previously reported earnings. Any future payments will be determined by product mix, patents used by the company and patents of the company's used by IBM.

According to Rick Apple, ZEOS director of marketing, "We look forward to future product developments based on our new access to IBM's portfolio of approximately 10,000 patents. We view this agreement as a technology partnership which should work to the benefit of both parties."

Details of the agreement were not released.

ZEOS International, Ltd., manufactures and markets, direct to end users, ISA and EISA (Industry and Extended Industry Standard Architecture) personal computer systems and workstations based on the Intel 80386 and 80486 microprocessor world wide under the ZEOS name. The company also provides contract manufacturing services under the name NPC Electronics and distributes passive electronic components through its Parts1 distribution division.

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#90228p6015 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA BARBARA, CA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Inamed Corp. (NASDAQ: IMDC, Pacific: INA), a medical and surgical device company that develops and markets silicone-based products to specialty medical markets, headquartered here, today reported record sales for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990. The company has reported record sales for the 18th consecutive quarter.

The company's sales increased 43 percent to $10,129,441 in the second quarter of 1990 from $7,091,113 in the second quarter of 1989. Second quarter net income of $535,888, or $.07 per share, represents an increase of 29 percent over a net income of $414,496, or $.06 per share, reported in the same quarter of 1989. The second quarter of 1990 was the highest reported net income for a single quarter in the company's history.

For the first six months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $656,036, or $.08 per share, on record sales of $17,843,038, as compared to net income of $928,173, or $.13 per share, on sales of $12,850,451 in the prior year period. This represents a 39 percent increase in six-month sales.

"Expanded production and marketing in both the United States and Europe during the past 12 months, coupled with management's ability to anticipate the demands of the market, have had and will continue to have a highly positive impact on the company's sales growth," said Donald K. McGhan, Inamed president and chief executive officer. "Although certain short-term factors such as costs associated with expansion in Europe may inhibit optimization of earnings growth during the next three-to-six months, we do expect these factors to be temporary. We therefore anticipate accelerated profitability beginning in early 1991."

CONTACT: Donald K. McGhan, chairman, Inamed, 805-684-6277; or Jimmy Caplan of Market Makers, 805-569-6919, for Inamed

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#90228p6018 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - CACI International Inc. (NASDAQ: CACIA) today announced a record revenue year with increased earnings for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

J. P. London, president and chief executive officer, reported CACI had revenues of $148,070,831 for fiscal 1990, compared with $146,112,317 for

fiscal year 1989. Fiscal 1990 net income was $4,002,835 compared to $3,706,437 in fiscal year 1989, an 8 percent increase. Earnings per share were up 13 percent at $.35 compared to $.31 in fiscal year 1989.

Fourth quarter fiscal year 1990 revenues were also a record at $39,104,851 compared with fourth quarter fiscal year 1989 revenues of $35,966,827, an 8.7 percent increase. Fourth quarter fiscal year 1990 net income increased 10.7 percent to $1,268,305 compared with $1,145,229 a year ago. Earnings per share for the quarter were $.11, compared to $.10 last year.

London stated, "We are pleased that we were able to increase revenue for the fifth straight year and improve earnings in spite of geo- political uncertainties and a very sluggish overall economy and market- environment. Our mission is to be the world's leading provider of advance technology solutions. In fiscal year 1991, we will continue to focus our aggressive marketing, sales and cost control programs on that mission."

CACI, in its 29th year, is an international high technology and professional services corporation. CACI is a leader in advanced information systems, engineering, logistics, proprietary software and market analysis. CACI provides worldwide services in support of national defense agencies, civil government and commercial enterprises.

CACI offices are located in major cities in North America and Western Europe. Corporate headquarters are in the metropolitan Washington, D.C., area.

CACI INTERNATIONAL INC.

Periods ended	Quarter		Year	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$39,104,851	$35,966,827	$148,070,831	$146,112,317
Net earnings	$ 1,268,305	$ 1,145,229	$ 4,002,835	$ 3,706,437
Earns. per share	$.11	$.10	$.35	$.31

CONTACT: John Baker of CACI, 703-841-7800; or John De Nigris Associates, 212-532-5159, for CACI

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#90228p6020 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Allegheny International, Inc. (AI), (NYSE: AG) and its debtor subsidiaries, including Chemetron Corporation, announced today that AI's Joint Stock Plan of Reorganization as modified (the "Modified Plan") was not consummated yesterday, as had been scheduled. The Plan was not consummated because of advice received on Tuesday from AI's special regulatory counsel that AI is required to obtain approval, necessary to consummate its Plan from a federal governmental agency due to a license held by Chemetron.

The modifications to the Joint Stock Plan of Reorganization pursuant to the order of the Bankruptcy Court which approved the modifications expired yesterday. However, the Board of Directors of AI voted to request the Bankruptcy Court to extend the period in which parties may file appeals to its Joint Stock Plan from Aug. 24, 1990 to Sept. 7, 1990. AI Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Oliver S. Travers said that this extension will permit time for AI and Japonica to review the regulatory requirements and formulate a joint approach which would be embodied in a revised stipulation among AI, Japonica and AI's constituencies that will permit consummation of a consensual modified plan.

Mr. Travers further said that both AI and Japonica had been working together around-the-clock in the effort to consummate the plan yesterday and that he was confident this spirit of cooperation would continue.

CONTACT: Edward M. Romanoff of Allegheny International, 412-562-4131

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#90228p6021 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Households today are loaded with expensive electronic appliances such as computers and home audio equipment that still face an old enemy: lightning strikes. An estimated 60 to 80 percent of all electronic equipment failures are due to power surges, primarily from lightning strikes, according to Consumers Power Company.

As a service to customers, the utility is alerting people to the availability of new, sophisticated surge protectors which will keep appliances safe from the worst lightning strikes. Manufactured by Panamax the new surge protectors come with a lifetime guarantee against a loss of electronic equipment or manufacturing defect.

"Every year in Michigan there are an estimated 30 to 40 lightning strikes per square mile. One hit could destroy thousands of dollars worth of equipment that is not properly protected," said James M. Schrandt, the utility's industrial marketing director. "These protectors provide instantaneous response time and assured protection of valuable equipment," he noted. "The Panamax surge protectors are of the highest quality, offering a level of protection not available in other brands," Schrandt added.

Prices for Panamax surge protectors range from $64 to $99. Consumers Power customers interested in ordering protectors or finding out more information can call toll free 1-800-686-4328.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6

million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, 517-788-2396.

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#90228p6022 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BARRIE, ONTARIO (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - InterTan Inc. (NYSE: ITN) reported today that sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, rose $39,705,000 to $683,835,000 from $644,130,000 in fiscal 1989. The company reported a net profit for the year of $28,899,000 or $3.26 per share based on 8,873,000 average shares outstanding. This compares to a net profit for the prior year of $40,341,000 or a profit of $4.56 per share based on 8,842,000 average shares outstanding.

Consolidated sales for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were $145,201,000 11.0 percent ahead of sales of $130,822,000 reported in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. The company's net profit for the quarter of $724,000 or 8 cents per share compares to a net profit of $4,816,000 for last year or a net profit per share of 55 cents. There were 8,906,000 average shares outstanding this quarter compared to 8,789,000 shares for the same quarter last fiscal year.

Commenting on the fourth quarter and full fiscal year results, Robert E. Keto, president and CEO, said, "Reporting a disappointing earnings year is never pleasant. However, we have maintained our aggressive store opening program throughout this difficult sales period, particularly in the U.K. and Europe, and this should yield positive sales and earnings benefits when the retail environment improves in our major markets."

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#90228p6023 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOWNINGTOWN, PA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Chester Valley Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: CVAL) announced today that its board of directors has increased its quarterly cash dividend paid on its common stock to $.07 per share, which represents a 17 percent increase.

This dividend will be payable on Sept. 24, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 27.

Ellen Ann Roberts, president and chief executive officer, reported that good earnings of $395,000 for the quarter and record earnings of $1.43 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, warranted the increase in

the dividend. At June 30, 1990, Chester Valley, the parent company of First Financial Savings Bank PaSA, had assets of $150.3 million. First Financial is headquartered in Downingtown with branches in Exton, Frazer and Thorndale, Pa.

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-30- 1072

#90228p6027 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - At their regular meeting yesterday the board of directors of Huntington Bancshares Incorporated (NASDAQ: HBAN) declared a regular third quarter dividend of $.20 per share payable Oct. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 10, 1990. This new rate represents an 18.9 percent increase in the quarterly cash dividend paid to common shareholders.

Huntington Bancshares is an $11.7 billion regional bank holding company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. The company's banking subsidiaries operate 253 offices in Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. In addition, Huntington's mortgage, trust, investment banking and automobile finance subsidiaries manage 32 offices in the six states mentioned as well as Florida, Delaware, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Rhode Island and Virginia.

Huntington's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System using the symbol "HBAN."

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-30- 1229

#90228p6029 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Quixote Corp. (NASDAQ: QUIX) announced today record sales for both its fiscal year and for the quarter ending June 30, 1990. It also announced that it was treating its wholly owned subsidiary, Source Scientific Systems, Inc., a manufacturer of medical diagnostic equipment, as a discontinued operation.

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990, sales from continuing operations were $65,775,000, a 17 percent increase over sales of $56,178,000 for fiscal 1989. Earnings from continuing operations were $5,039,000, or a record 68 cents per share, compared to $3,133,000, or 41 cents per share, for the year earlier. This is a 66 percent increase in earnings per share on continuing operations. The company took a loss provision of $5,400,000 against future losses on the operations and the disposition of Source Scientific. The net loss for the fiscal year, including the results of the discontinued operations and the loss provision, was $3,675,000, or 50

cents per share, compared to net earnings of $2,158,000, or 28 cents per share, for the previous year. The Company believes that the $5,400,000 loss provision is adequate to cover any future losses from the operations and the disposition of Source Scientific.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, sales increased to $25,464,000, up 68 percent from $15,202,000 for the same quarter a year earlier. Net earnings from continuing operations were $1,752,000, or 24 cents per share compared to $1,390,000, or 18 cents per share, for the previous year. This is a 33 percent increase in earnings per share. Including the loss from discontinued operations, most of which was taken in the fourth quarter, the net loss for the fourth quarter was $4,567,000, or 62 cents per share, compared to earnings of $890,000, or 12 cents per share, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

"With our reacquisition of Disctronics Manufacturing, Inc. and the acquisition by our Stenograph Corp. of BaronData Systems during the paast fiscal year, Quixote Corp. has demonstrated its commitment to increasing its position of leadership in specialized industries," stated Philip E. Rollhaus, president of Quixote Corp. "With the strong showing of Energy Absorption Systems, Inc., our three major subsidiaries collectely produced record sales and profits for the year," he added, "and we expect them to continue to grow in the years ahead."

"While Quixote has invested many millions of dollars over the past four years in supporting, and in developing new products for, Source Scientific Systems, Inc., it appears that the remaining expenditures needed to achieve profitability for this medical instrumentation company would be best undertaken by a larger company already involved in medical diagnostics," Rollhaus continued. "With this in mind, we have decided to divest this subsidiary and its newly introduced products in this fiscal year and concentrate on our three largest, and profitable, businesses. Towards this end, we have retained an investment banker to advise us on the most advantageous way to transfer Source Scientific Systems, Inc. out of Quixote Corp.," Rollhaus concluded.

Quixote Corp. is a diversified technology company composed of Energy Abosorption Systems, Inc., the world's leading manufacturer of a wide range of highway crash cushions, devices that save lives on the world's highways; Stenograph Corp., the world's leading manufacturer of shorthand machines and computer systems for the court reporting profession; and Disc Manufacturing Inc.,the largest independent manufacturer of compact discs (CDs), videodiscs and CD-ROMs in the United States. Quixote Corp. is a also founding shareholder of Neophore Technologies Inc., which is developing a unique, patented approach to providing an advanced drug delivery system as well as a substitute for donated human whole blood.

QUIXOTE CORP.

Earnings Summary

	THREE MONTHS ENDED 6-30		YEARS ENDED 6-30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$ 25,464,000	$15,202,000	$65,775,000	$ 56,178,00
Earnings from Continuing Operations	1,752,000	1,390,000	5,039,000	3,133,000
Loss from Discontinued Operations	(6,319,000)	(500,000)	(8,714,000)	(975,000)
Net Earnings (Loss)	$(4,567,000)	$ 890,000	$(3,675,000)	$2,158,000
Per Common & Common Equivalent Share Data:				
Earnings from Continuing Operations	$ .24	$ .18	$ .68	$ .41
Loss from Discontinued Operations	(.86)	(.06)	(1.18)	(.13)
Earnings (Loss)	$ (.62)	$ .12	$ (.50)	$ .28

CONTACT: Myron R. Shain or M. Melissa Quinn, 312-467-6755, both of Quixote Corp.

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#90228p6037 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TX (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola's (NYSE: MOT) Microprocessor Products Group today announced that it intends to manufacture and market the MC68HC56 (HC56) and MC68HC57 (HC57) data link controller (DLC) integrated circuits developed by Delco Electronics Corp. These devices act as an interface and line driver between a microcontroller and a serial data bus. The part was designed in response to the Society of Automotive Engineers' (SAE) J1850 standard developed to create common automotive on-board emissions diagnostic and communications standards starting in 1994 model year.

"The HC56 and HC57 are two automotive serial bus products Motorola will provide to the industry that meet the SAE J1850 standard," said Gary Daniels, vice president and general manager of Motorola's Microcontroller Division. "We will continue to work with key customers on products and standards that benefit the industry."

The HC56 provides a direct interface to the parallel bus of the Motorola 68HC11 and 68332 microcontrollers. The HC57 provides a direct connection to the serial peripheral interface found on the 68HC11 and the 68332. The HC56 and HC57 will be available in general sample quantities 2Q 1991. Production volume is expected for 2Q 1992. Both devices will be available

in a 28 pin PLCC package.

As America's largest supplier of semiconductors, Motorola has a balanced portfolio of over 50,000 devices. Motorola's Microprocessor Products Group (Austin) has established industry standard architectures including the 68HC05, 68HC11 and 68300 families of digital signal processors; and the CSIC (customer specified integrated circuit) design methodology.

CONTACT: Laura Tolpen of Motorola, 512-891-3184; or Kristin Graves of Cunningham Communication, 408-982-0400, for Motorola

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WICHITA, KN (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) has asked the United States District Court in Wichita to issue a preliminary injunction that would prevent Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE: KLT) from continuing its demand for a stockholder list and a special meeting of stockholders in regards to KCPL's tender offer for all of KG&E's stock. KG&E also has asked for a preliminary injunction against KCPL's publication of misleading information concerning the special stockholders meeting and the legality of its tender offer.

Following KCPL's unsolicited tender offer of July 23 to purchase all of KG&E's stock, Heywood H. Davis, purporting to own 100 shares of KG&E common stock, demanded that KG&E provide a list of stockholders for KCPL's use. KCPL also requested KG&E to call a special stockholder meeting to act on authorizing KCPL to vote shares acquired by KCPL.

On July 31 in U.S. District Court in Wichita, KG&E challenged the legality of the demands.

KG&E reported today it has amended its suit against Davis and KCPL saying that because the Kansas City utility's actions violate Kansas law, the federal Public Utility Holding Company Act and Securities and Exchange Commission rules and regulations, the court should stop KCPL from "further facilitating, conducting, pursuing or consummating the tender offer."

KG&E asks the court to rule that its stockholder list not be provided to Davis as demanded; that the requested special meeting of stockholders not be called; and that the KCPL tender offer be declared unlawful under the federal Public Utility Holding Company Act.

KG&E contends that Davis is acting as an agent of KCPL attempting to accomplish for KCPL what the utility is prohibited by Kansas law from doing for itself.

Also, KCPL has failed to file as required by Kansas law a proper

"acquiring person statement" in connection with its request for a special meeting of shareholders.

KG&E also claims that KCPL's newspaper ads on Aug. 13 and 14 included false and misleading information and constitute an improper proxy solicitation under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

CONTACT: Lyle Koerper of Kansas Gas and Electric, 316-261-6207.

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BURLINGTON, NC (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: EDIT) announced today that it has received 510(k) pre-market clearance from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for its new EZ-Screen: hCG Test for determining pregnancy in humans. The Company will begin marketing the new pregnancy test immediately to a defined segment of the vast pregnancy testing market.

James D. Skinner, EDI President and Chief Executive Officer, said, "We are pleased to announce the introduction of the EZ-Screen: hCG Pregnancy Test specifically designed to address the pregnancy testing needs of the high-volume, price conscious segment of the clinical pregnancy testing market.

"The new pregnancy test, utilizing the company's proprietary and patented Quik-Card technology, offers the first ever pregnancy test capable of providing up to six individual pregnancy tests on the same device. This unique product configuration offers high-volume customers a significant cost savings advantage because multiple tests can be conducted on a single Quik-Card."

Mr. Skinner added: "We are targeting this new pregnancy test towards large hospitals, clinics and group OB/GYN practitioners - a market segment we estimate to be in excess of $20 million annually - that require industry standards for sensitivity, specificity, accuracy and ease of use, but at the most effective cost per test. The new EZ-Screen: hCG Pregnancy Test fulfills all of these needs.

"This new pregnancy test expands the company's product offering in the human clinical diagnostics market. Direct sales activities will begin immediately through our own existing national sales force.

The EDI strategy is to provide a broad line of diagnostic products in several niche markets using the patented QUIK-CARD technology. The new EZ-Screen: hCG Pregnancy Test is an integral part of this strategy and is directed towards the $7.0 billion human diagnostics market."

Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. develops and manufactures human clinical and agricultural diagnostics specifically designed for on-site testing by non-technical personnel.

The company's Conventional Biodiagnostic Products are used by government agencies, researchers, clinical testing laboratories, and other companies for clinical and veterinary testing. The Company's EZ-Screen products provide the accuracy of laboaratory results in minutes.

CONTACT: Terry Johnson, Vice President-Finance, Environmental Diagnostics, Inc., (919) 226-6311.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - CarePlus, Inc. (NASDAQ: CPLS) today announced that they have received an accelerated repayment of the balance of the approximately $3 million advanced to Professional Care, Inc. (AMEX: PCE) in 1987. The advances were made in connection with the proposed acquisition of Professional Care by CarePlus, and although the acquisition was terminated in 1987, Professional Care has been making regular payments with interest to CarePlus for over two years.

"This accelerated repayment marks the severance of any ties, financial or otherwise, between CarePlus and Professional Care," remarked Bob L. Wood, chairman and CEO of CarePlus.

In an unrelated matter, CarePlus has appointed Ernst & Young as its new auditors, replacing BDO/Seidman in that role.

CarePlus is a national provider of high-tech infusion therapy, treating patients requiring chemotherapy, nutritional feeding through either a vein or a tube, intravenous (I.V.) antibiotic therapy, pain treatment, fluid administration, and other home infusion therapies.

CarePlus, Inc. common stock is traded on the National Market System under the symbol: CPLS.

CONTACT: Gary L. Reich of CarePlus, Inc., 305-493-6464

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#90228p6044 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Omnicom Group Inc. (NYSE: OMC) today declared a cash dividend of $0.275 a share to be paid on the corporation's issued and outstanding common stock on Oct. 5, 1990 to stockholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Fred Meyer, 212-415-3631, or John Watt, 212-415-3634, both of Omnicom Group

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#90228p6047 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Well 48/18b-9 tested 35 million cubic feet of gas per day through a 52/64 inch choke, Ranger Oil Ltd. (Toronto: RGO) announced. This horizontal well was drilled in the western half of the Anglia field and significantly increases deliverability from this part of the reservoir. The horizontal section of this well is 2,940 feet and is believed to be the longest horizontal well section drilled to date in the North Sea. The well was suspended as a future producer and completes the appraisal of the Anglia field. Development drilling is expected to commence later in the year.

Partners are: Ranger Oil (U.K.) Limited (operator)	35.628 percent
Conoco Developments Ltd.	31.250 percent
Elf Oil and Gas Ltd.	16.460 percent
Amerada Hess (E&P) Ltd.	12.830 percent
Triton North Sea Operators Ltd.	3.832 percent

CONTACT: J. M. Pierce, Chairman and CEO, Ranger Oil Ltd., 403-263-1500

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WEIRTON, WV (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Weirton Steel Corp.'s (NYSE: WS) board of directors has declared a quarterly dividend of 16 cents on each share of its outstanding common and convertible preferred stock, payable on Sept. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: Charles R. Cronin of Weirton Steel, 304-797-2306

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#90228p6051 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MAUMEE, OH (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - TRINOVA Corporation (NYSE: TNV) announced today that the Company has completed its previously announced programs to purchase up to 6 million shares of its common stock. The average purchase price per share was $23.79.

TRINOVA -- through Aeroquip Corporation and Vickers, Incorporated -- supplies power and motion control systems and components and custom-engineered plastic products to the industrial, transportation and aerospace/defense markets.

CONTACT: Warren N. Bimblick of TRINOVA Corporation, 419-867-2290.

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#90228p6054 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILFORD, OHIO (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Structural Dynamics Research Corporation (NASDAQ: SDRC) announced a major contract to supply its software to the General Electric Aerospace Group. SDRC's I-DEAS software was selected as the standard for mechanical automation at GE Aerospace, and will be used for the design, drafting, and analysis of their products. SDRC estimates the value of the multi-year contract to be in excess of $4 million.

In 1989, GE Aerospace committed to a program to substantially improve engineering productivity. They established the Engineering Process Improvement Program (EPIP) with representatives from all departments within GE Aerospace. After an extensive evaluation of software products from numerous vendors, they determined that SDRC's software would best meet their mechanical design requirements.

"We are extremely pleased that GE Aerospace has selected I-DEAS software as their standard for mechanical design automation," said Ronald J. Friedsam, SDRC chairman and chief executive officer. "Today's aerospace market is extremely competitive. GE Aerospace required software with substantial depth and breadth of functionality to address their complex engineering needs. In addition, they wanted to work with a software supplier who had the financial strength, and commitment to R&D that are critical for the future success of their system. Overall, SDRC provided the best solution."

SDRC's I-DEAS software addresses the product development activities of the design engineering organization by providing integrated systems for solid modeling, finite element modeling and analysis, computer-aided testing, drafting and manufacturing. SDRC currently has over 23,600 I-DEAS licenses installed at more than 4,300 customer sites worldwide.

SDRC is a leading international supplier of mechanical computer- aided engineering software and engineering services used by automotive, aerospace, and industrial manufacturers for the design, analysis and testing of sophisticated mechanical products. The company's products and services significantly reduce product development time and cost and result in superior quality products by enabling customers to optimize product designs prior to production. SDRC employs more than 900 people in 36 offices in 12 countries throughout North America, Europe and the Far East.

CONTACT: Jere Brooks Hunter of SDRC, 513-576-2469

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#90228p6056 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARAMUS, N.J. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - MEDphone Corporation (NASDAQ: MPHO) announced today that Nabisco Brands, Inc., will install the MDphone(TM) System in each of its four headquarters buildings in New Jersey. The patented life-saving MDphone System will link Nabisco by telephone to Morristown Memorial Hospital, a 687-bed facility that offers the state's only emergency residency program.

S. Eric Wachtel, president of MEDphone Corporation, said that Nabisco joins the Stine-Haskell research division of Du Pont and MBNA (formerly Maryland Bank) as Northeast corporate customers. Wachtel noted that MEDphone, leader in interactive transtelephonic medicine, was now concentrating on the corporate market for emergency medical treatment.

CONTACT: S. Eric Wachtel, president of MEDphone, 201-843-6644; Mark L. Gutsche of Nabisco, 201-682-7131; or Warren Cavior of the Cavior Organization, 212-687-6070, for MEDphone

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#90228p6063 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - International Telecharge, Inc. (AMEX: ITI) today announced the appointment of Robert E. Lund as president and chief executive officer.

His appointment was announced by Chairman Allan L. Rayfield. Lund will assume the duties of chief executive officer from Rayfield and the duties of president from Edmund F. Tagg. The appointment will take effect on Sept. 4, 1990.

In the announcement, Rayfield stated: "We are excited to acquire the talents of Bob Lund. His extensive experience in the technology and processing industry will provide ITI the transaction-based knowledge necessary to compete in this rapidly changing industry."

Lund will be leaving his current position as president of EDS' Payment Services Division, a national transaction operation, to assume his new duties at ITI. Prior to his most recent tenure with EDS, he was a principal in MTECH, which was acquired by EDS from MCORP in 1988. Before joining MTECH, Lund had been with EDS in various marketing, sales and management positions within that company's financial division.

Lund expressed his enthusiasm about joining ITI, stating: "I am excited about the opportunities that exist at ITI. This is a company that is a leader in the OSP industry, and has the capacity to carry those leadership qualities into the emerging transaction-based markets."

This appointment is the continuation of ITI's management transition that

commenced in April. At that time, Tagg indicated his intention to leave the company to pursue other interests. With Lund's appointment, Tagg will proceed with those plans, although he has agreed to continue in a consultant role to assist in the transition and complete some important special projects.

Also in the announcement, Rayfield said that Lund's assumption of the operational management of the company will free him to concentrate on new market opportunities and the development of the long-term strategic direction of ITI.

ITI, headquartered in Dallas, is a leading national telecommunications supplier of network-based operator and information services, primarily to hotels, hospitals, payphone owners and other interexchange carriers.

CONTACT: Robert Heath of International Telecharge, 214-653-5510

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#90228p6065 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Entertainment Publishing Corp. (AMEX: ENT), the leading publisher of discount coupon books, reported record revenues and earnings for the year ended June 30, 1990. Hughes L. Potiker chairman and president, indicated, "We are extremely proud of this outstanding performance -- not only are revenue and earnings significantly ahead of projections but we have achieved these earnings in addition to repaying a significant portion of the debt incurred at the time of the recapitalization of December 1988."

Revenues for the year ended June 30, 1990, were $85,456,000 compared with $74,399,000 for 1989, representing an increase of $11,057,000 or 14.9 percent.

For the year ended June 30, 1990, net income increased to $9,087,000 ($1.62 per share on 5,595,000 average shares outstanding) compared to $4,247,000 ($.82 per share on 5,185,000 average shares outstanding) in the prior year. Reflected in the results for the prior year is an $835,000 after-tax charge ($.16 per share) related to an accounting change.

Fourth-quarter 1990 revenues were $9,309,000 compared to $7,582,000 in the same period last year. The customary fourth-quarter net loss was $2,484,000 ($.44 per share on 5,672,000 average shares outstanding) compared to $3,016,000 ($.56 per share on 5,395,000 average shares outstanding) for the fourth quarter last year.

ENTERTAINMENT PUBLISHING CORP.
CONDENSED EARNINGS REPORT
(In thousands except per-share amounts)

Year ended June 30	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Revenues	$85,456	$74,399	14.9
Operating income	20,045	12,862	55.8
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	9,087	5,082	78.8
Cumulative effect of accounting change	---	(835)	---
Net income	$9,087	$4,247	114.0
Average shares outstanding	5,595	5,185	7.9
Share earnings: Before cumulative effect of accounting change	$1.62	$.98	65.3
Cumulative effect of accounting change	---	(.16)	---
Net income	$1.62	$.82	97.6
Three months ended June 30	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Revenues	$9,309	$7,582	22.8
Net loss	(2,484)	(3,016)	17.6
Average shares outstanding	5,672	5,395	5.1
Share loss:	($.44)	($.56)	21.4

CONTACT: John H. McBrearty of Entertainment Publishing Corp., 313-637-8400

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#90228p6068 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - United Buying Service International, (OTC: UNBS) is pleased to announce the signing of several agreements and arrangements that will firmly establish our commitment towards creating an "enhancement" profit center for the company.

The company has received an additional order to provide 900,000 customized Car Care booklets to The Signature Agency, a division of Montgomery Ward. This is the fourth sale consummated with The Signature Agency, with orders to date totaling 2,630,000 booklets. The company expects to commence delivery of these booklets in September or October of 1990.

UBS has also entered into a two year agreement with Group Marketing Concepts, Inc. (GMC) of Annapolis, Md. GMC is a national direct mail firm which handles new membership promotions for credit unions and large associations and affinity groups. GMC has contracted to purchase UBS' discount shopping service for new members.

UBS is also pleased to announce that it has revised and expanded its exiting agreement with Telecredit Marketing Services, Inc. Telecredit's primary business is providing services to the banking industry and currently has revenues of approximately $142,000,000. Telecredit will serve as a sales representative for UBS' various club services. Telecredit will solicit organizations who wish to re-package UBS' club services for

sale as fee-based programs.

UBS has just entered into a Letter of Intent with Interactive Marketing, Inc. a leading company engaged in the sale and promotion of games and contests to the supermarket industry. Interactive will develop and administer programs utilizing the UBS discount services for the supermarket industry.

UBS has recently expanded its product offerings by signing Letters of Agreement with Tel-Drug and Bekins Van Lines. Tel-Drug is one of the leading mail order pharmaceutical companies in the country and Bekins Van Lines is one of the most respected names in the moving business.

Next month, UBS will begin testing a new service through installation of a 900 phone number at $1.95 per minute. UBS customers will be able to access new car prices and used car evaluations over the phone. UBS will be testing this new service with an announcement to several hundred thousand customers through account publications during the months of September and October. If the test yields positive results, UBS plans to promote the program to all of its accounts.

The addition of these products and services will enable the company to broaden the appeal of its discount shopping services.

CONTACT: Arthur W. Levine or Harvey S. Selenow, 203-967-2883, both of United Buying Service International.

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#90228p6071 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

POMONA, CA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - MMI Medical, Inc. (NASDAQ: MMIM), today reported results for the first quarter ended July 27, 1990. First quarter net income was $54,000 or 2 cents per share on sales of $9,437,000 compared with net income of $576,000 or 21 cents per share on sales of $9,324,000 in last year's first quarter. At July 27, 1990, there were 2,671,479 common shares outstanding.

Dudley A. Rauch, chairman and chief executive officer, commented, "The relatively weak performance of both our mobile imaging and maintenance businesses contributed to the poor first quarter results. We believe that any significant earnings improvement is unlikely until later in the year."

MMI Medical, Inc. provides hospitals, clinics and private physician offices with maintenance services for diagnostic imaging equipment, shared mobile computed tomography and cardiac catheterization services and distributes x-ray film and other radiology equipment and supplies.

MMI MEDICAL, INC.

Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended	
	7/27/90	7/28/89
Revenues	$9,437,000	$9,324,000
Income before taxes	86,000	930,000
Provision for income taxes	32,000	354,000
Net income	54,000	576,000
Net income per share	.02	.21
Wtd. avg. no. of shrs. outstg.	2,712,391	2,747,047

CONTACT: Dudley A. Rauch of MMI Medical, 714-620-0391

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#90228p6075 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of trustees of New Plan Realty Trust (NYSE: NPR) today declared an increase in the quarterly cash dividend to 27-1/2 cents per share from 27 cents, marking the 45th consecutive quarterly increase in dividends paid by the trust.

The new dividend, payable on outstanding shares of beneficial interest, represents an increase of 2 cents per share to $1.10 on an annualized basis. The new dividend is payable on Oct. 2, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 17, 1990.

The largest publicly owned equity real estate investment trust (REIT), New Plan has holdings that include 60 shopping centers, apartment complexes and other properties in 14 states east of the Mississippi.

CONTACT: Ron Frankel of New Plan Realty Trust, 212-869-3000

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#90228p6076 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Royal Insurance reported a pre-tax statutory loss of $44.2 million for the first half of 1990, compared to a net loss of $15.2 million for the same period in 1989. After federal income taxes, a net loss of $39.2 million was posted compared to a $24.9 million loss for the first half of 1989. Written premiums decreased 4.2 percent to $1.1 billion. The underwriting loss rose to $265.5 million from 1989's first half loss of $201.8 million, and the combined ratio before dividends worsened to 123.9 from 117.2. Pre-tax investment income, excluding capital gains and losses, increased 11.2 percent to $170.3 million.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William E. Buckley said the company's disappointing performance was due mainly to the extremely poor results in

the commercial insurance sector, which includes multi-peril, workers' compensation and commericial auto. "Long term, we remain confident that we have the strategies in place to return Royal to profitability," Buckley said. "These strategies are already showing results, but in a soft market it will take some time for the benefits to be reflected in our financial performance."

At the same time, in London, England, the parent company, Royal Insurance Holdings plc, announced its worldwide results for the first half of 1990. Total written premiums increased by $164.3 million to $3.27 billion. The worldwide underwriting loss was $572.4 million, compared to $208.2 million for the same 1989 period, while investment income increased by $32.8 million to $440.1 million. A pre-tax loss of $107.7 million compared to a profit of $202.1 million for the first six months of 1989 and the net after-tax loss totaled $76.4 million versus a $139.9 million profit for the previous period.

CONTACT: Kevin M. McCarthy of Royal Insurance, 704-522-2061.

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#90228p6077 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways today announced its improved "WorldPass 1991" frequent flyer program, that will allow members to combine mileage for award redemption for up to three years, an increase over the previous two-year limit.

Under the new program, for example, beginning Jan. 1, 1991, WorldPass members can accumulate mileage for one calendar year and redeem awards anytime through the end of 1993. Members have the option of combining mileage earned in 1991 with that earned subsequently in 1992 and 1993, for a total of three years worth of mileage accumulation.

"We've always believed that our WorldPass program is the richest frequent traveler program in the industry, and now with the addition of one more year to combine mileage for awards, we have enhanced the program still further," said John Bloodworth, vice president advertising and marketing programs at Pan Am.

In addition, Pan Am said that, unlike other carriers, it will not increase the mileage levels needed for award travel or the number of blackout dates in the 1991 program. WorldPass members will have the option to waive award travel blackout dates by doubling the number of miles needed to redeem an award.

The program also includes a rollover option for WorldPass 1989/90 members. In order for unredeemed 1989/90 miles to be rolled over into the 1991 program, members may either fly 6,000 actual miles on Pan Am between Oct.

1 and Dec. 31, 1990, or fly 10,000 actual miles on Pan Am between Oct. 1, 1990 and March 31, 1991.

WorldPass 1991 travel partners will be announced later in the year.

CONTACT: Elizabeth Hlinko of Pan Am, 212-880-6265

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#90228p6081 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - MNC Financial Inc. (NYSE: MNC) today announced that it has received commitments for a $750 million, 18-month revolving credit facility from a bank syndicate led by Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York.

The new facility provides for an initial availability of up to $600 million and will increase to $750 million by January 1991, upon achieving certain planned financial initiatives. The facility, which is subject to certain conditions and the completion of definitive documentation, will provide support for MNC's short-term funding requirements, including commercial paper and variable rate renewable notes.

The company also said that it is exploring the sale of certain non-core, non-bank assets and business units. Investment bankers are assisting MNC in this effort, which primarily involves the three components of MNC Credit Corp, in the MNC Affiliates Group. These are the MNC Commercial Division, the MNC Leasing Division, and LeaseFirst. All are national market, non-bank subsidiaries with combined assets of approximately $1.2 billion and a total of about 300 employees.

In commenting on these developments, Alan P. Hoblitzell Jr., MNC chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, "We are pleased that the credit facility led by Morgan Guaranty was well received by the participating institutions."

MNC Financial is a $27-plus billion-asset diversified financial services company which delivers a broad range of commercial and consumer banking products in the Baltimore/Washington common market, and in the mid-Atlantic states. In addition, MNC is the largest national marketer of endorsed affinity group credit cards, apioneer in asset securitization and sales, and a leader in national consumer finance products. MNC manages one of the largest trust entities in the region.

CONTACT: Daniel G. Finney, senior vp-corporate communications, 301-547-4038, or David W. Spartin, vp and director of investor relations, 301-547-4410

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#90228p6084 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Philip W. Koebig III has been named executive vice president of Constitution Bank according to an announcement made today by the bank's President and Chief Executive Officer Robert Mazzei.

"In his new position," Mazzei said, "Phil will work with me on new product development and the bank's expansion program into Philadelphia's suburbs. He will also be responsible for the development of a new, multiple-branch community banking system in Southern New Jersey similar to Marine National Bank which he headed from 1981 to 1988." The new bank is expected to be in operation by the end of 1991 at which time Koebig will become its president and chief executive officer.

"Constitution's board of directors believes that growth is the result of having talented people," according to James W. McStravick, Constitution Bank's chairman of the board. "Phil Koebig," he continued, "is uniquely qualified to support our commitment to one-on-one banking and help create a strong branch network to deliver it. The buyout's of local banks in South Jersey by large national institutions did not necessarily result in better service to customers and those customers want a return to the traditional banking and personalized service which has always been Phil's trademark and Constitution Bank's philosophy."

Koebig added, "Constitution Bank's leadership has created the kind of dynamic atmosphere that encourages its clients to grow and its officers to find a way to help them do it. I'm excited about bringing one-on-one community banking back home to Southern New Jersey."

Because of its impressive growth and its high ratings within the financial community, Constitution is considered a leader among the area's young banks. The four-year-old bank reported assets of more than $145 million in the second quarter of 1990. The bank's center city Philadelphia offices specialize in addressing the banking needs of the small- and medium-sized businesses, professionals and entrepreneurial ventures which larger banks have found unprofitable.

Before joining Constitution, Koebig had been executive vice president of the 130-branch Chemical Bank New Jersey NA and was responsible for retail banking, consumer and community lending and private banking as well as marketing, planning and retail training. He had moved to Chemical's Morristown office when the bank took over Horizon Bank's $800 million subsidiary Marine National Bank in New Jersey's Cape May, Atlantic, Ocean and Monmouth counties. He has also been affiliated with The National Bank of New Jersey, Hudson United Bank and Midlantic National Bank.

Koebig is a member of the New Jersey Bankers Association and served on the

Federal Reserve Relations Committee for District 3-Philadelphia. He is a graduate of Dartmouth College and earned a masters degree in business administration at Rutgers. He is also a graduate of Bankers Business Development Institute and Stonier Graduate School of Banking.

CONTACT: Robert Mazzei, president and chief executive officer of Constitution Bank, 215-545-5450 or John J. Signor of Signor/Ross, 609-465-4021, for Constitution Bank

-30- 3375

#90228p6085 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLARK, N.J. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael W. Cox, president and CEO, Q-Med, Inc. (NASDAQ: QEKG) announced today that the company had completed the sale of the Heart Map technology developed by its subsidiary to Neurotechnology, S.A., Montpellier, France for $1.5 million and other valuable considerations. The sale does not affect Q- Med's continuing business selling its Monitor One, vision ekg and nDx medical instrumentation.

Cox stated that in addition to the sale, a Q-Med subsidiary will be a 40 percent joint venture partner with Neurotechnology to exclusively market and sell the Heart Map products and services in North America.

Cox stated that this transaction is very favorable to the company. Neurotechnology is well capitalized and has a competent technical staff to complete the Heart Map project within 2 to 3 years. The Heart Map analyzer is capable of detecting the presence of heart disease non-invasively and will be more sensitive than a "stress test", which has a present market of approximately $300 million per year in the United States.

CONTACT: Michael W. Cox, president and CEO of Q-Med, 201-381-6880

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#90228p6087 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - HBO & Co. (NASDAQ: HBOC) today announced that its board of directors declared a dividend of $.075 (seven-and-one-half cents) per share, payable on Oct. 19 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 28, 1990.

HBO is one of the nation's leading providers of sophisticated health care information systems and services.

CONTACT: Austin E. Kearney, vice president and assistant treasurer of HBO & Co., 404-668-5476

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#90228p6092 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Sir Gordon White, chairman of Hanson Industries, the U.S. arm of Hanson PLC (NYSE: HAN) said today that Hanson's wholly owned business unit, Gold Fields Mining Corporation, has announced an increase of 1.47 million ounces in its proven and probable gold reserves since July 1, 1989. Gold Fields Mining's demonstrated reserves now amount to 7.41 million ounces of gold contained in 186.7 million tons of ore. The increase in ounces represents an increase of 24.7 percent over the previous year's proven and probable gold reserves of 5.94 million ounces.

In addition to these reserves Gold Fields Mining has an additional 5.26 million ounces of resources for a total remaining resource of 12.67 million ounces of gold, an increase of 11.6 percent over the previous year.

Gold Fields Mining currently has mining activities at its Mesquite Mine in Imperial County, Calif. and at its Chimney Creek Mine in Humboldt County, Nev. Production from these two mines for the 12 months period ended June 30, 1990 was approximately 420,000 ounces. In addition, Gold Fields is continuing to pursue an aggressive exploration program for gold in the United States, Canada and Chile.

Hanson also owns 49 percent of Newmont Mining Corporation, whose proven and probable gold reserves currently total 20.7 million ounces. Sir Gordon stated, "Hanson is committed to continued exploration and development at Gold Fields Mining, and we are pleased to see that our investment in this area is having such fine results."

Hanson acquired Gold Fields Mining and its share in Newmont Mining as part of its August 1989 acquisition of Consolidated Gold Fields.

Hanson PLC is a British-American industrial management corporation. In the U.S., Hanson Industries' operations include SCM Chemicals, Peabody Holding Company, Jacuzzi Whirlpool Bath and Spa Products, Grove Crane, Ames Tools, Universal Gym, Endicott Johnson and Frye Footwear, Hanson Lighting Group, Kaiser Cement, Weber Aircraft, Farberware Cookware, and Gold Fields Mining among others.

In the United Kingdom, Hanson's holdings include Imperial Tobacco, Ever Ready Batteries, ARC Aggregates, London Brick, Butterley Brick, and Smith Meters.

CONTACT: Karen Levy of Hanson Industries, 212-826-0098

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#90228p6093 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Fairway Capital Corporation of Providence, R.I., has been licensed by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) as a small business investment company (SBIC).

Located at 285 Governor St., the company will provide capital for small companies in Rhode Island. The president of Fairway Capital Corporation is Paul Anjoorian.

SBICs are privately owned and operated investment firms which provide venture capital to small businesses for growth or expansion. The SBICs are licensed and regulated by the SBA and are eligible to receive some funding from the federal government.

In making the announcement, SBA New England Regional Administrator Mary Brennan Lukens said that "the SBIC program fills a real need for entrepreneurs who have ideas but have difficulty finding financing for their ventures. The fairway Captial Corporation will generate growth of new and existing small businesses in Rhode Island and, as a result, will create more revenue and jobs."

Lukens also said, "Creation of the new SBIC reflects President Bush's interest in small business and is in line with the president's overall economic program of utilizing federal funds and resources to create jobs and stimulate local economies. "

An SBIC's major function is to make investment by supplying equity capital and long-term venture loans to small companies which meet the investment criteria of the SBICs.

SBICs finance small firms in several ways: by straight long-term loans; by equity-type investments; or by financings with combined features of both equity investments and loans. Terms of the financing are negotiated between the small firm and the SBIC.

An SBIC may obtain partial ownership of a small business through equity-type investment, but it is prohibited from taking a controlling interest. Many SBICs also provide business management aid to the companies they finance.

Region I, one of ten SBA regions, is responsible for assisting, counseling and championing small business in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

Created by Congress in 1953, SBA's mission is to help people get into business, help them stay in business, help small firms win federal procurement contracts, help victims of natural disasters, and act as a strong advocate for small business.

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#90228p6099 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Huntington Bancshares Incorporated (NASDAQ: HBAN) today announced that it has received all necessary approvals for its acquisitions of First Home Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ: FSEB), (Sebring, Fla). The shareholders of First Home Federal overwhelmingly approved (83.3 percent of 83.7 percent shares represented) a proposal to merge with Huntington at a special meeting of shareholders held Aug. 7. Approval has also been received from the Federal Reserve Board and the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS). Consummation of the merger is expected to take place in late September.

"We are very pleased to have all approvals in place so that we may proceed with the acquisition of this fine company," stated Frank Wobst, chairman and chief executive officer of Huntington Bancshares Incorporated. "In conjunction with the acquisition, the OTC also approved the opening of a branch office in Naples which we plan to accomplish before the end of this year. The office will offer private banking services complementary to our existing trust operation in Naples."

First Home Federal has $208 million in assets and operates eight banking offices in south-central Florida. Huntington Bancshares Incorporated is an $11.7 billion regional bank holding company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. The company's banking subsidiaries operate 253 offices in Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. In addition Huntington's mortgage, trust, investment banking and automobile finance subsidiaries manage 32 offices in the six states mentioned as well as Florida, Delaware, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Rhode Island and Virginia.

The common stock of Huntington and First Home Federal are both traded on the NASDAQ National Market System using the symbols "HBAN" and "FSEB," respectively.

CONTACT: Debra Dendahl Hadley of Huntington Bancshares, 614-463-4304

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#90228p6100 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMINGTON, MN (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Discus Corporation (NASDAQ: DISC) a Bloomington, Minn., restaurant company today reported sales of $3,984,731 for the second quarter of 1990 compared to sales of $4,126,865 for the second quarter of 1989. Discus lost $94,219 or $.05 per share for the second quarter of 1990 compared to a profit of $39,339 or $.02 during

the second quarter of 1989.

Mike Platt, Discus president, said that "Second quarter results were a serious disappointment, reflecting a slight softening of sales combined with increases in payroll and other restaurant operating costs.

"Payroll increases were primarily due to the implementation of a major new employee training/re-training program designed to improve our customer service levels. We believe this program is critical to help us compete effectively in the increasingly competitive restaurant industry.

"However, we were disappointed that the short-term cost impact was greater than anticipated. In future months," said Platt, "we believe training expenditures will be reduced without harm to the effectiveness of the program."

In response to these second quarter results, and with the objective of strengthening the company's financial position and tightening internal control and communications, a number of organizational changes were implemented at the end of the quarter. Two positions, vice president of operations and corporate training manager, were eliminated.

The company's three area managers were each given broader supervisory responsibility and now report directly to the president. Other reductions in corporate general and administrative expense have been implemented which should have a significant effect on future profitability.

The company also recently entered into a joint venture involving the operation of a Khan's Mongolian Barbecue Restaurant in its Roseville, Minn., property that previously housed its terminated Brick Oven Beanery concept.

Khan's is a unique oriental dinner-house concept, with its original unit located in the Dinkytown area of Minneapolis. The company is a limited partner, and is not directly involved in operation of the restaurant. The restaurant opened in June 1990, and has received favorable reviews and initial customer acceptance.

Discus Corporation operates nine Fuddruckers restaurants: three in Minneapolis/St. Paul; three in Milwaukee, Wis.; two in St. Louis, Mo.; and one in Omaha, Neb. The Company's stock is traded over-the-counter under the symbol DISC.

CONTACT: Mike Platt or Steve Jones of Discus Corporation, (612) 831-2326.

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#90228p6101 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Oncor, Inc. (NASDAQ: ONCR), today announced record revenues for the second quarter and six months. "Our sales are rising steadily, and at the same time our losses are diminishing. We see this positive trend continuing and hope to achieve break-even operations by the fourth quarter of this year," said Stephen Turner, Oncor's chairman and chief executive officer.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, Oncor had record revenues of $928,968, a 50 percent increase when compared with revenues of $621,487 for the same three month period a year ago. The net loss for the quarter decreased 63 percent to $(299,045), or $(.04) per share, versus a net loss of $(488,495), or $(.09) per share in the comparable 1989 quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were a record $1,613,402 compared with $1,339,550 for the same six month period last year. The net loss for the six months decreased to $(775,327), or $(.11) per share, versus a net loss of $(854,506), or $(.16) per share in the first half of 1989.

Commenting on the company's performance, Turner stated, "We are currently in production and shipping several new DNA-based diagnostic test systems which are fueling our growth. These include Oncor's FDA approved B/T Gene Rearrangement Test System used in the diagnosis of leukemia and lymphoma, our one-day In-Situ Chromosome Analysis Test System for use in screening common chromosomal abnormalities such as Down Syndrome, and our Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Analysis System for detecting cervical cancer in women. These tests are in addition to increased sales of the more than 80 DNA/RNA probes and reagents that we are currently manufacturing and marketing."

ONCOR, INC.
Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$ 928,968	$ 621,487	$1,613,402	$1,339,550
Net loss	$(299,045)	$(488,495)	$ (775,327)	$ (854,506)
Net loss per share	$(0.04)	$(0.09)	$(0.11)	$(0.16)
Weighted average shares outstanding	7,093,000	5,191,000	7,093,000	5,191,000

CONTACT: Stephen Turner, chairman and CEO of Oncor, 301-963-3500; or the Wall Street Group, 212-344-9131, for Oncor

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#90228p6106 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - In an effort to expand its reach to both business and leisure travelers, Eastern Express will become the only

commuter airline offering flights between Miami and Nassau.

Effective Oct. 15, travelers can choose from three daily non-stop flights each way in the early morning, mid-afternoon and early evening. In an additional break with standard commuter airline practice, Eastern Express' Miami-Nassau service will accommodate passengers on spacious 35-passenger Saab 340 aircraft, which include a flight attendant, snack and beverage service, lavatory, and both overhead and underseat storage areas.

"The addition of this service to our schedule is a direct and immediate response to local market demand," said Jack Robinson, president and chief executive officer of Eastern Express, who was also recently named Eastern Airlines' vice president of corporate development. "By offering three flights evenly spread throughout the day, our intent is to extend convenience to both vacationers and those conducting business in both Nassau and South Florida."

Although Eastern Express has a long and solid history of presence in Florida and the Bahamas, this will be its first service to Nassau. Other Bahamas destinations with daily Eastern Express departures from Miami include: Freeport, Treasure Cay, Governor's Harbour, and Rock Sound.

As the largest commuter airline serving Miami, Eastern Express operates approximately 100 daily flights to 11 cities in Florida and the Bahamas, and is planning a major expansion of its Florida service in the near future.

CONTACT: Laura Bennett of Bennett & Company Inc., (305) 932-8000, for Eastern Express.

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#90228p6109 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) today ruled on Ohio Edison's (NYSE: OEC) request to increase rates, granting an 8.5 percent increase over current company revenues, or an increase of $142,376,000.

Ohio Edison had requested an increase of approximately $216,000,000. The rates authorized today by the commission include, for the first time, the costs of the Beaver Valley 2 nuclear plant.

In making rulings in rate cases, the commission is required by law to authorize rates which are fair and reasonable to customers, while at the same time, allowing the company the opportunity to meet expenses, pay interest on debts, and provide a reasonable return to stockholders. The PUCO set an 11.20 percent rate of return in today's decision.

The typical Ohio Edison residential customer using 500 kWh per month, currently pays approximately $57.23 per month for electric service. With today's increase, it is estimated that the customer would pay approximately $62.38 per month.

The commission determined that Ohio Edison has a 22.85 percent reserve margin, which is the amount of generating capacity above what is needed to meet customer peak demand.

Although PUCO guidelines established in a 1987 opinion define a benchmark reserve margin of 20 percent, the commission did not make any adjustment to the revenue requirement in this case because there is only a slight deviation from the 20 percent benchmark and because Ohio Edison's reserve margin is expected to drop below 20 percent after 1991.

The commission approved the establishment of a seasonal rate structure. The summer billing months will be June through September and winter billing months will be October through May, with a slightly higher rate during the summer billing period. The commission noted that although seasonal rates are new to Ohio Edison, they are in effect at six other major Ohio electric utility companies.

The PUCO rejected nearly $2,938,750 in advertising costs, including the costs of advertisements featuring Cleveland Browns' quarterback Bernie Kosar, as well as costs for employee memberships and club expenses, agreeing with the Office of Consumers' Counsel that ratepayers should not bear these costs.

Underscoring the importance of environmental considerations, the commission ordered that the distribution of pollution control costs be commensurate with the consumption of electricity and noted that conservation and demand-side management will be major factors in determining the rate of return in future cases.

CONTACT: Daniel W. Fugate of PUCO, (614) 466-7750.

-30- 2846

#90228p6115 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLACKWOOD, N.J. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert G. Wallace, president of Drug Screening Systems, Inc., (NASDAQ: DRUG) today announced the development and completion of a new product which utilizes state of the art technology for the detection of drugs of abuse in urine. The new product, which is currently in production, is being marketed for pre-employment screening under the name of MACH IV. Due to its increased sensitivity, greater ease of use and reliability, MACH IV is felt to be superior to any screening product on the market today.

Drug Screening Systems' new urine assay screen allows for an easy interpretation of positive and negative specimen determinations for drugs of abuse. Only small amounts of urine (five drops) are required and no chemical reagents need be added. These tests have been shown to be easier to perform and, more importantly, simpler to interpret than the color and points obtained with the prior tests. The costs will be comparable or less than our former assays.

In May 1989 the company signed an exclusive sales and distribution agreement with BPS Guard Services, a subsidiary of Borg Warner Corporation (Wells Fargo Guard Services is a subsidiary of BPS). The company has recently shipped its new MACH IV product to over 100 Wells Fargo offices throughout the United States.

Bob Wallace also announced that Drug Screening Systems, Inc. is currently negotiating a private placement to provide additional working capital to expand its production facility to meet the anticipated demands for its new products.

CONTACT: Robert G. Wallace of Drug Screening Systems, 609-228-8500, or Robert Zimmerman of Zimmerman Public Relations, 516-364-7634, for Drug Screening Systems

-30- 1917

#90228p6117 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, NJ (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - ATS Money Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: ATSM) reported a net loss of $121,455 or $0.02 per share for the second fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1990 compared with a net income of $204,613 or $0.04 per share in the comparable 1989 reporting period. Revenues for the two periods were $820,432 and $1,036,863 respectively.

For the first six months the company reported a net loss of $330,399 or $0.06 per share compared to a profit of $394,213 or $0.08 per share. Revenues for the first fiscal six months in 1990 stood at $1,526,876 compared to $2,126,282 a year earlier.

ATS Money Systems, Inc. is engaged in the development, sales and service of coin and currency handling equipment and systems. The company's major products are PC-based systems for currency management in the banking and retail industries. It also sells a variety of stand- alone products for cash handling.

ATS MONEY SYSTEMS, INC.
Consolidated Income Statement
(000 except EPS)

For the second quarter ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$820.4	$1,036.9

Net income (Loss) before extraordinary credit	(121.5)	124.8
Extraordinary credit	--	79.8
Net income	(121.5)	204.6
Earnings (loss) per share	(0.02)	0.04
Weighted average shares outstanding	5,665,970	5,273,520
For the six months ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,526.9	$2,126.3
Net income (loss) before extraordinary credit	(330.4)	283.2
Extraordinary credit	--	111.0
Net income (loss)	(330.4)	394.2
Earnings (loss) per share	(0.06)	0.08
Weighted average shares outstanding	5,665,970	4,789,224

CONTACT: Gerard Murphy president and chief executive officer of ATS Money Systems, 201-894-1700, or Winn Neilson or Bernadette McLaughlin of Cameron Towey & Associates, 212-888-7600

-30- 2450

#90228p6118 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGDALE, NY (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Zephyr Associates Inc. announced today that it had entered into an agreement with Talk To Me Programs Inc. to handle all negotiations with respect to the licensing and protection of the Self Cooling Beverage Can patented technology.

Alan Amron, president of Talk To Me Programs Inc., said that preliminary contacts have been established with several large international beverage companies.

CONTACT: John Panetta of Zephyr Associates, 516-845-7774.

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#90228p6124 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Mischer Corporation (NASDAQ: MSHR) today reported income of $108,000 or $0.03 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 compared to a loss of $2,332,000 or $.78 per share for the same period in 1989. The company reported net income of $1,611,000 or $.51 per share and net loss of $4,937,000 or $1.94 per share for the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively. Revenues from continuing operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990 were $3,345,000 as compared to $6,509,000 for the same period in 1989. The decrease in revenues is a result of a reduction in the number of lots and acres sold in the first two quarters of 1990 plus revenues for 1989 include the sale of a warehouse in Harahan, La.

Net losses from continuing operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 were $40,452,000 or $12.69 per share and $4,474,000 or $1.76 per share, respectively. The loss from continuing operations for the first six months of 1990 included a $37,022,000 or $11.62 per share writedown during the first quarter on assets conveyed to its major bank creditors. In addition, The Mischer Corporation recognized a $40,899,000 or $12.84 per share extraordinary gain on the debt settlement, net of federal income taxes in the first quarter of 1990.

The company is engaged in real estate development and management primarily in the Houston area.

CONTACT: Thomas L. Poe of The Mischer Corporation, 713-869-7800

-30- 1646

#90228p6126 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Beneficial Corporation (NYSE: BNL) today voted a third quarter common stock dividend of $0.60 per share to stockholders of record at the close of business Sept. 5 and payable Sept. 30, 1990.

This dividend, which is at an annual rate of $2.40 per share, represents Beneficial's 245th consecutive quarterly dividend, as the company has paid cash dividends without interruption since 1929.

The board also declared the regular semi-annual dividend of $2.15 per share on the $4.30 dividend cumulative preferred stock to stockholders of record at the close of business Sept. 5 and payable Sept. 30, 1990.

The board also declared the regular quarterly dividend of $1.375 on the $5.50 dividend cumulative convertible preferred stock, payable Oct. 31 to stockholders of record at the close of business Oct. 2, 1990.

Beneficial Corporation provides consumer financial services through a network of over 1,000 offices located across the United States and in Canada, the United Kingdom and Germany.

CONTACT: Jane M. Kenny of Beneficial, (201) 781-3882.

-30- 1304

#90228p6127 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MASS. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Waltham Savings Bank, a subsidiary of The Waltham Corporation (NASDAQ: WLBK), today announced that it plans to change the name of the bank to Sterling Bank. A specific date has not been set at this time but it is expected to occur in the fall.

John C. Warren, president and chief executive officer of Waltham Savings Bank commented, "The purpose of the name change is to reflect the substantial expansion of our community-based franchise and our position as a full service bank."

Waltham Savings Bank, a subsidiary of The Waltham Corporation, has assets in excess of $550 million and offers a comprehensive line of business and personal banking services at its five retail offices located in the Boston suburbs of Waltham, Wayland, Weston and Sudbury. The corporation's comon stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "WLBK".

CONTACT: Karen A. Wharton of Waltham Savings Bank, 617-894-7790

-30- 1127

#90228p6128 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BARRINGTON, ILL. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - GE Capital Auto Financial Services today announced that it has acquired substantially all of the auto installment loan assets held by Empire Federal Savings of America, Buffalo, N.Y. Empire, an $8.0 billion savings institution currently held in conservatorship by the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC), maintained auto installment loan assets of approximately $900 million.

GE Capital, with over $5.7 billion of served assets and one of GE Capital's 20 businesses, manages GE Capital Auto Lease Inc., the largest U.S. non-captive automobile leasing company; GE Capital Auto Auctions Inc. a leading major national auto auction chain; and provides nationwide inventory financing for auto, marine and recreational vehicle dealers.

The purchase of the Empire assets includes the assumption of its Buffalo servicing facility and the retention of the approximately 100 employees who are directly involved in managing the portfolio. It is GE Capital's intention to acquire additional auto installment loan portfolios which will be served from the new Buffalo facility as well as to become a major servicer of auto loans for banks who securitize their auto loan portfolios and wish to avoid any servicing infrastructure.

GE Capital, headquartered in Stamford, Conn., is one of the nation's largest diversified financial services companies with assets in excess of $59 billion.

CONTACT: Allison Storto of Manning, Selvage & Lee, 312-819-3535, for GE Capital

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#90228p6133 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

STERLING, VA. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Star Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: STRR) has announced the appointment of Frederick W. Garry to the company's board of directors. The announcement was made today by Robert C. Compton Star's chairman, president and CEO, at the company's annual shareholders' meeting.

Compton said Garry has been appointed to a one-year term, to be elected to a three-year term by shareholders at the 1991 annual shareholders meeting.

"We are very pleased that Fred has joined Star's board of directors," said Compton. "He brings extensive experience in engineering and technology, as well as a wealth of operational and financial management experience. In addition, the company will greatly benefit from his extensive product and application knowledge of the aerospace industry, a key market for all of Star's products."

"Star Technologies has a reputation as a quality manufacturer," said Garry. "I look forward to working with Star's management to build a profitable technology company focused on providing leading-edge, cost-effective solutions to users in the high-performance computing community."

Currently, Garry is a private consultant to technology companies and a director for universities and associations. In 1989, he retired from the General Electric Company, after more than 30 years with GE in various engineering and manufacturing management positions. Most recently he served nine years as GE's corporate vice president of engineering and manufacturing. In this position, Garry emphasized GE's Total Cost Productivity program and the impact of design engineering on all elements of product costs.

Prior to his executive staff position at GE, Garry spent six years at Rohr Industries, as president, chairman and CEO. At Rohr, Garry completed programs that had been part of a diversification drive, and then refocused the company back into its core business as an aerospace components manufacturer.

Garry also spent 23 of his years with GE in various aircraft jet engine engineering design and project management positions, including vice president of Technology Division at GE's Aircraft Engine Group. During this period, Garry played a significant role in a number of key aircraft engine development programs for military, commercial airline and business aircraft. In 1989, Garry was inducted into GE's Propulsion Hall of Fame in recognition for his contributions to the development of the gas turbine engine.

Garry also serves as a director for various universities and associations. He is a member of the National Academy of Engineering and represents the

National Academy of Engineering and the National Academy of Sciences as the director of the Beckman Center in Irvine, Calif. He also received a Commendation from U.S. President Gerald Ford for services to minorities. Garry holds a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering and an honorary doctorate in engineering from the Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.

Star Technologies, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of high- performance computing products, including network compute servers, array processors, and real-time image generators. Star is the market share and performance leader in array processors for compute-intensive applications in image and signal processing. Star's Graphicon Products Division, located in Research Triangle Park, N.C., manufactures the Graphicon family of high-performance 3-D image generators for military and commercial simulators and training systems. Star is headquartered at 515 Shaw Rd., Sterling, Va. 22170.

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CONTACT: Richard J. Gallagher or Helen Ryan of Star Technologies, Inc., 703-689-4400; or Rob Hayes of Miller Communications for Star Technologies, Inc., 617-536-0470

-30- 4038

#90228p6134 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Wolters Kluwer N.V. today issued the following:

Last April, ODH and Wolters Kluwer announced their intention to transfer five printing companies from Wolters Kluwer to ODH. The agreement was signed yesterday.

It concerns Salland Offset/De Lange van Leer, Wolters-Noordhoff Grafische Bedrijven, Reprohuis Wageningen, Mediaware and Publipartners. Total sales were Dfl. 85 million in 1989; the companies have over 500 employees. The companies now form part of ODH Communication Group Holding, whose shares are held by ODH Financial Markets, both Dutch- based. The letter also holds other stakes in the communication industry. ODH group sales will now be Dfl. 225 million and the number of employees is 800.

This divestment is in line with the strategy of Wolters Kluwer to concentrate on its core activities: information, education and scientific publishing, professional training and Dutch-language trade publishing.

CONTACT: ODH Group public relations, in the Netherlands, (0)70-3524171; Wolters Kluwer public relations, in the Netherlands, (0)20-5645434; or Fern Lazar or Debra Wasser of Dewe Rogerson, in New York, 212-688-6840, for Wolters Kluwer

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#90228p6136 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CT (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Industrial Gases Inc. (UCIG) today reported that new cost-saving technologies for producing nitrogen and oxygen for industrial users worldwide are making dramatic inroads in the marketplace.

Contracts awarded to UCIG for nitrogen and oxygen supplied by these systems totalled 32 in the first six months of 1990 as compared to five contracts in the first half of 1989. Total gas volume for the 32 contract amounts to 300 tons per day.

The new technologies are membrane and vacuum pressure swing absorption (VPSA) air separation systems. Built on the customer's site, these systems are operated by UCIG to provide a dedicated supply of product to meet the particular quantity and purity requirements of the customer - and at a much lower cost than traditional delivered product.

UCIG's newly elected president, E.G. Hotard, reports cost savings of 20 to 50 percent as being typical for uses of nitrogen and oxygen produced by these systems.

"By producing the gases at the customer's site, we avoid the major capital outlay and distribution costs associated with supplying product from a large regional cryogenic air separation and liquefaction plant," Hotard said. "With savings of that magnitude for the customer, we expect and even greater number of contracts in the second half of 1990."

"These new technologies are not only having a positive impact on our customers' business," said Hotard, "they are also significant to us. Half of the volume for 1990 contracts represents new business for UCIG as opposed to conversion from traditional bulk liquid supply. It's becoming quite evident that these new air separation technologies will enable significant growth in the worldwide nitrogen and oxygen markets."

Hotard further noted that UCIG had doubled then redoubled its manufacturing capacity for membrane materials in the past two years, in anticipation of the growing trend toward membrane systems.

Industries benefiting from the membrane and VPSA supply technologies include heat treating, food processing, chemical processing, petrochemical refining, primary metals and pulp and paper.

Union Carbide Industrial Gases, through its Linde division, is the largest industrial gases supplier in the United States; and, with sales of $2.38 billion last year, is one of the three largest suppliers in the world.

CONTACT: Harmon D. Smith of Union Carbide Industrial Gases, (203) 794-5553.

-30- 2677

#90228p6138 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dress Barn, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: DBRN) announced today that its board of directors had authorized the repurchase, at specified prices, of up to 2,000,000 shares of Dress Barn common stock. A spokesman for the company indicated that the shares may be used in part to meet the eventual requirements of the company's employee plans.

As of Aug. 15, 1990, the company operated 463 stores, an increase of 53 from a year earlier and plans to have over 500 locations by the end of calendar 1990.

The Dress Barn, Inc. operates a chain of off-price women's apparel stores, from coast to coast, offering in-season, moderate to better quality fashion apparel, primarily with national brand names, at substantial discounts from department store prices.

CONTACT: Michael Palmer, executive vice president of Dress Barn, 203-327-4242

-30- 1042

#90228p6140 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Colonial Intermediate High Income Fund (NYSE: CIF) a closed-end investment company, today released earnings and dividends for the quarter ending July 31, 1990. The results are as follows:

	Third Quarter Ending July 31, 1990	
	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$3,352	$0.25
Dividends	(3,577)	(0.27)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	4,060	0.31
Value of shares issued	754	N/A
Increase in net asset value	4,589	0.29
Net asset value:		
Beginning	85,621	6.50
End	$90,210	$6.79
Market price at end of the quarter	---	$6.75
	Third Quarter Ending July 31, 1989	

	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$3,911	$0.30
Dividends	(3,896)	(0.30)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(466)	(0.04)
Value of shares issued	1,506	N/A
Increase in net asset value	1,055	(0.04)
Net asset value:		
Beginning	116,231	9.03
End	$117,286	$8.99
Market price at end of the quarter	---	$9.13

Fiscal Year-To-Date Through July 31, 1990

	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$11,057	$0.83
Dividends	(11,170)	(0.85)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(19,091)	(1.45)
Value of shares issued	1,645	N/A
Increase/decrease in net asset value	(17,559)	(1.47)
Net asset value:		
Beginning	107,769	8.26
End	$90,210	$6.79
Market price at end of the period	---	$6.75

Fiscal Year-To-Date Through July 31, 1989

	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$11,780	$0.91
Dividends	(11,570)	(0.89)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(3,198)	(0.25)
Value of shares issued	3,660	N/A
Increase/decrease in net asset value	672	(0.23)
Net asset value:		
Beginning	116,614	9.22
End	$117,286	$8.99
Market price at end of the period	---	$9.13

CONTACT: Rich Silver of The Colonial Group, 617-426-3750

-30- 3446

#90228p6141 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Telesphere Communication Inc. (AMEX: TSP), a full service long distance telephone company and a provider of enhanced telecommunications services, announced today that, for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, the company had net income of

$688,000 on revenue of $62.4 million. Though lower than first quarter results, net income was substantially ahead of the $90,000 reported for the second quarter of 1989. Revenues were up 41 percent from $44.2 million reported a year ago. Net income was equal to $.03 per share on a primary basis on weighted average shares of 30,100,998, and $.03 per share on a fully diluted basis on weighted average shares of 52,562,727.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net income of $2.0 million on revenues of $128.4 million was equal to $.09 per share on a primary basis on weighted average shares of 28,886,710; and $.06 per share on a fully diluted basis on weighted average shares of 53,035,121.

Commenting on the second quarter, Harry R. Thompson, chairman of Telesphere, said, "Our results were modest, due to less 900 growth than expected as a result of local carrier billing restrictions for certain programs, network services pricing, and the delayed migration of NTS traffic to our network. The quarter did in many ways set the stage for the balance of the year. Newly introduced programs, such as pay phone services, 800 services, enhanced 900 services, and carrier services, and the conversion of NTS terminating traffic to the Telesphere network, began to contribute additional minutes in July. Initial benefits from the conversion of NTS's originating traffic over the next 60 days, and our new utilization of NTS operators, should be reflected in the third quarter performance."

Telesphere Communications Inc. operates a nationwide, state-of-the art, digital fiber optic network over which it provides long distance, operator interactive 900 and other enhanced telecommunications services.

CONTACT: Paul E. Davies, director of investor relations of Telesphere, 708-954-7700

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Alcoa (NYSE: AA) CEO Paul H. O'Neill today refuted statements issued by the National Wildlife Federation (NWF) about Alcoa and said the company "resents" the Federation's attack on Alcoa's integrity.

O'Neill said that the statement today by NWF President Jay Hair is a "malicious, deliberate misrepresentation." He added that "Mr. Hair's statement says that aluminum oxide is on the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) toxic inventory list. That is not so. Mr. Hair knows it is not so. Further, Mr. Hair implies that Alcoa used what he calls 'creative accounting' to change its reports (to the EPA). That is not so. Mr. Hair knows it is not so.

"Integrity is a key value for Alcoa. Mr. Hair's statements about Alcoa are a scurrilous attack on our integrity and we resent it. It is unfortunate that Mr. Hair would choose to misrepresent the facts in order to call attention to his organization and the critical issues regarding the environment," O'Neill said.

"Those interested in the facts can call the EPA and ask them if aluminum oxide used for making aluminum is on their toxic inventory list. They will tell you no. You can draw your own conclusions about the reliability and truthfulness of Mr. Hair and his statements."

CONTACT: J. F. McMahon of Alcoa, 412-553-3704.

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SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Community Bank System, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CBSI) announced today that its board of directors has declares a quarterly cash dividend of 19 cents per share on its common stock. The dividend will be payable Oct. 10, 1990 to stockholders of record Sept. 14, 1990.

Community Bank System, Inc. is a $626 million multi-bank holding company based in Dewitt, N.Y., which presently has five commercial banking affiliates, a data processing subsidiary and a mortgage banking subsidiary. The five banking affiliates are: Community National Bank, headquartered in Addison, with four branches in Steuben County; The Exchange National Bank located in Olean, with two branches in Cattaraugus County; Horizon Bank, N.A., having its principal office in Waterloo with five branches in the Finger Lakes region; The Nichols National Bank, located in Nichols; and The St. Lawrence National Bank, headquartered in Canton, which operates seventeen branches throughout northern New York and a representative office in Ottawa, Canada.

The data processing subsidiary, Northeastern Computer Services, Inc. in Syracuse, provides services to the affiliate banks and to other financial institutions in upstate and central New York. Community Financial Services, Inc., the mortgage banking subsidiary, is headquartered in Geneva with a branch in Syracuse.

CONTACT: Edwin J. Lyons, president and CEO of Community Bank System, 315-445-2282

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#90228p6148 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
DENVER (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Apache Corp. (NYSE: APA) today announced the completion of its Dixie Rice Agricultural Co. 1 in the Marginulena

howei sand of South West Lake Arthur Field in Cameron Parish, La. The well flowed 3.6 million cubic feet (MMcf) of gas per day and 312 barrels of condensate per day from perforations between 14,841 and 14,889 feet. The flow rate was gauged on an 11/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 5,790 pounds per square inch. Apache holds a 20 percent working interest in the well and is the operator.

The new producer is expected to be hooked up to pipeline in early September. The company holds approximately 1,000 gross acres in the prospect and currently plans to drill up to two offset wells.

Apache is an independent energy company engaged in exploration, development and production of natural gas and crude oil. The company's securities are traded on the New York and Midwest Stock Exchanges (symbol APA).

CONTACT: Jeanne Buchanan of Apache Corp., 303-837-5017

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JAMESTOWN, NY (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Frank T. Costanzo, chief executive officer of Electronic Technology Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: ETEK; BSE: ETE) and Herbert Bell, chief executive officer of Advanced Printed Circuit Technology II, Inc., a privately held concern located in Tempe, Ariz., disclosed that the two companies had entered into an agreement in principle calling for the acquisition by ETEK of 100 percent of the outstanding stock of Advanced Printed Circuit II, Inc. (ACT II) for $4.5 million, of which $1.0 million is to be paid upon closing, an additional $2.0 million is to be paid prior to the close of calendar 1990 and the balance in subsequent annual installments, subject to ACT II meeting certain earnings criteria, but in no event later than October 1996. The proposed acquisition is scheduled to close on or before Aug. 30, 1990.

Costanzo commented that he was very pleased about the acquisition as it will afford ETEK new and unique capabilities to present to its clients. Costanzo said, "ACT II is a national leader in the manufacture of printed circuit boards utilizing the Tin/Nickel process. With its addition to the ETEK Group, we are now able to offer all of our current customers leading edge capabilities in the manufacture of these circuits."

Curt B. Westrom, chief financial officer of Electronic Technology Group, Inc., indicated that the anticipated initial annual sales of ACT II to be approximately $11 million. This would more than double ETEK's current annual sales which were approximately $7 million for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990. Westrom expressed the belief, predicated upon no significant recessionary impact upon the electronics industry, that ACT II's acquisition could add as much as $.38 per share to ETEK's

consolidated earnings for its next fiscal year.

Herb Bell, chief executive officer of ACT II, expressed pleasure at the sale of ACT II to an aggressive, rising company in the competitive electronic market. Dennis Opheim, president and chief operating officer of Advanced Printed Circuit Technology II, Inc. stated that he, too, was enthused by such sale and looked forward to assisting ETEK in building ACT II to a new and expanded operating level.

Edmond Lonergan, president of ETEK, commented that the addition of ACT II would bring ETEK new customers, none of which are presently being served by other ETEK companies. Lonergan said, "The location of ACT II in the Southwestern United States opens up this area to our sales efforts. In addition, ACT II's involvement in both communications and computers will synergistically assist ETEK's growth in these fields." Lonergan indicated that ETEK had no present intention of changing any personnel at ACT II's Tempe facility following its acquisition by ETEK, and that the product and sales efforts will remain the same.

Electronic Technology Group, Inc. is a manufacturer of high quality electronic assemblies for the medical electronics, industrial controls, transportation and music industries. Electronic Technology Group, Inc., headquartered in Jamestown, N.Y., owns and operates EJE Research Corporation of Buffalo, N.Y.; Liberty Engineering, Inc., of Waltham, Mass. and Moog Music, Inc., of Jamestown.

CONTACT: Frank T. Costanzo, CEO of Electronic Technology Group, 716-488-9699, or Herbert Bell, CEO of Advanced Printed Circuit Technology II, 408-727-6442

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#90228p6151 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines said today its application for a new route between Washington, D.C.'s Dulles International Airport and Manchester, England is receiving strong civic support in the Washington, D.C. area.

Four major entities - the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, the Washington Airports Task Force, the Commonwealth of Virginia and the State of West Virginia - all have filed with the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) to intervene in the U.S.-U.K. Regional Airport Service Proceeding in support of United.

"We are pleased to be entering this important route proceeding with the backing of such prominent government and aviation bodies from the Washington, D.C. area," said Stephen M. Wolf, chairman and president.

"We believe we are succeeding in our efforts in Europe to blend successfully traditional European quality of service with American skills. Our initial surveys of our new European services to Frankfurt and Paris are highly encouraging. Manchester would be an important addition to our expanding European presence," Wolf said. On June 29, 1990, the United States and the United Kingdom reached agreement to open new air routes between the two countries.

United is the only U.S. carrier seeking service to the developing European hub in Manchester, England from Washington, D.C., the nation's capital, where United has rapidly developed a significant U.S. hub. United proposes daily flights using Boeing 767 aircraft configured for three-class service.

The agreement provides for two new routes to airports in the United Kingdom other than London for U.S. carriers in exchange for an additional United Kingdom carrier on the Boston-London route and two other routes from regional U.K. airports to the U.S.

All carriers will submit their written exhibits to the administrative law judge by Aug. 29. An oral hearing is scheduled for October. The law judge is expected to announce his recommendations by Dec. 14 as to which two U.S. carriers and cities should receive authority to serve Manchester.

CONTACT: Rob Doughty, (708) 952-4195, Joe Hopkins, (708) 952-5770, or Sara Dornacker, (708) 952-6561, all of United Airlines.

-30- 2397

#90228p6153 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Health Images Inc. (NASDAQ: HIMG), today announced July 1990 consolidated net revenues of $3,714,300, an increase of $1,262,700 or 51.5 percent over July 1989 consolidated net revenues of $2,451,600.

Gross same center revenues (before deduction for contractual adjustments and uncollectible accounts) increased $694,500 or 29.8 percent as compared to the preceding year. Net same center revenues increased by $530,900 or 28.1 percent in July 1990 as compared to the 1989 period. Revenues of the Engineering Services Division were $440,000, a decrease of $76,700 or 14.8 percent as compared to July 1989. Miscellaneous revenues were $46,600, a decrease of $1,700 or 3.5 percent as compared to the preceding year. Revenue data are summarized in the following table.

Health Images Inc. operates magnetic resonance imaging centers, manufactures magnetic resonance imaging scanners, and provides equipment maintenance services for major medical diagnostic imaging equipment.

HEALTH IMAGES REVENUE COMPARISON

JULY 1990 TO JULY 1989

	1990	1989	Inc. (dec.)	Pct. inc. (dec.)
Gross imaging center revenues	$4,001,200	$2,331,900	$1,669,300	71.6
Provision for uncollectible accounts and contractual adjustments	773,500	445,300	328,200	73.7
Net imaging center revenues	3,227,700	1,886,600	1,341,100	71.1
Engineering revenues	440,000	516,700	(76,700)	(14.8)
Misc. revenues	46,600	48,300	(1,700)	(3.5)
Total net revenues	$3,714,300	$2,451,600	$1,262,700	51.5
Same center gross revenues	$3,026,400	$2,331,900	$ 694,500	29.8
Same center net revenues	2,417,500	1,886,600	530,900	28.1
Imaging centers in operation	24	15	9	60.0

CONTACT: Robert D. Carl III, president and chairman, or Laura J. Werner, 404-587-5084, both of Health Images

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange today announced that CII Financial, Inc. of Burbank, Calif., began trading its common stock today. CII Financial is the holding company for California Indemnity Insurance Company, which markets and writes workers' compensation insurance in California.

The company previously traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CIIF. Trading under ticker symbol CII, the common stock opened on 800 shares at 15-3/4.

Through California Indemnity Insurance Company, CII Financial primarily services small to medium-sized businesses with annual workers' compensation premiums of less than $50,000, in the manufacturing, contracting, retail sales or service industries in California.

The company serves northern California through a regional office in Sacramento and markets its policies through a network of independent insurance agents and brokers throughout the state.

CII Financial reported net income of $2,561,000, or $.55 per share, on revenues of $35,681,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1990, compared with net income of $1,055,000, or $.43 per share, on revenues of

$22,264,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

CONTACT: Lisa Kravitz of American Stock Exchange, (212) 306-1632.

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#90228p6157 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARLBORO, MA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Rockport Company, Inc., a division of Reebok International, Ltd., (NYSE: RBK) has purchased all rights in Europe to the Rockport brand name from Rockport Lizenz-und Handels Establishment, a Liechtenstein corporation, as announced today by Robert E. Slattery, president of Rockport. With this purchase, The Rockport Company acquires Rockport Lizenz's registered rights to market in 20 European countries. No purchase price was disclosed.

"We are delighted to have completed the purchase of the Rockport trademarks in Europe, which will dramatically enhance our ability to expand internationally and become a true worldwide brand," Slattery said. "With only minimal international distribution, Rockport had sales of $191.5 million in 1989, and sales are up more than 20 percent for 1990. The acquisition of these trademarks represents a major growth opportunity for us."

The Rockport Company, Inc. designs and markets comfortable, high quality dress and casual footwear and related products for men and women. Reebok International, Ltd., headquartered in Stoughton, Mass., is the leading designer and marketer of active lifestyle and performance products, including footwear and apparel. Besides the Rockport division, Reebok operating units include its Footwear and Apparel Products divisions, Avia, Ellesse North America, and Boston Whaler Boats. Sales for 1989 totaled $1.8 billion.

CONTACT: Amanda Maultsby, The Rockport Company, 508-485-2090; or Barbara Mortinson of Cone Communications for The Rockport Company, 617-227-2111

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#90228p6160 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Nycal Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: NYCL) today announced it has signed a letter of intent with Airship Industries Limited ("Airship") with a view to arrangements being made which could lead to Nycal acquiring more than 50 percent of Airship's share capital. Airship is the world's largest designer, manufacturer and distributor of airships.

The proposals contemplate a rights issue of preferred convertible redeemable shares to raise $7.13 million which issue would be underwritten by interests associated with Nycal. Contemporaneously, there would be a

further rights issue of ordinary shares for the purpose of repaying Airship's indebtedness to Bond Corporation Holdings Limited ("Bond") and its subsidiaries, amounting to approximately $66.5 million. It is anticipated that subsidiaries of Bond, which currently hold approximately 47 percent of the issued share capital of Airship, will be diluted as a result of the above to approximately 40 percent.

In addition, the proposals would entail Nycal making a secured loan to Airship of $4.28 million for working capital purposes.

The proposals will require clearance by the Panel on Take-Overs and Mergers in the United Kingdom. That clearance will entail, inter alia, full information being provided to shareholders, an independent shareholder vote and a recommendation from independent financial advisors to Airship. In view of the above, Airship has requested the Australian Stock Exchange suspend the listing of its shares pending a further announcement.

Nycal Corporation is a U.S. holding company with mining and energy resources, insurance and industrial interests.

CONTACT: Graham Lacey of Nycal Corporation, 202-625-6600.

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LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First Fidelity Bancorporation (NYSE: FFB) today approved payment of the regular quarterly dividend on its common stock of $.30 per share.

The dividend will be paid on Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 31, 1990.

The board also approved payment of regular quarterly dividends on both classes of First Fidelity Bancorporation preferred stock.

First Fidelity Bancorporation Series B Convertible Preferred Stock will pay a dividend of $.5375 per share on Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 31, 1990.

First Fidelity Bancorporation Series D Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock will pay a dividend of $1.975 per share on Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 31, 1990.

The board also announced that future quarterly common stock dividend determinations -- consistent with the practice of other major banks -- would be made in the first month following the close of each calendar quarter. Accordingly, the board said the fourth quarter dividend payment

would be considered at its regular meeting of Jan. 17, 1991. The Oct. 1, 1990, payment represents the fourth dividend payment of 1990. There will be no change in the schedule of preferred dividend payments.

First Fidelity, with $29.8 billion in assets and some 500 offices in New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania, is among the nation's 25 largest banking organizations.

CONTACT: Paul J. Levine of First Fidelity Bancorporation, 201-565-2949

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ATLANTA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - AmeriHealth Inc. (AMEX: AHH), the Richmond-based hospital management company, today reported net income of $75,000 on operating revenues of $16,229,000 for the second quarter ended June 30 compared to a net income of $276,000 on operating revenues of $15,603,000 for the comparable quarter in 1989.

On a per-share basis, after deducting the accrual of dividend and accretion requirements for holders of the company's Series B Preferred Stock, the company reported a net loss of $.05 per common share for the second quarter of 1990 compared to a net income of $.01 per common share for the first quarter of 1989.

For the first six months of 1990, the company reported net income of $192,000 on operating revenues of $31,368,000 compared to a net loss of $628,000 on operating revenues of $30,233,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

On a per-share basis, after deducting the accrual of dividend and accretion requirements for holders of the company's Series B Preferred Stock, the company reported a net loss of $.08 per common share for the first six months of 1990 compared to a net loss of $.29 per common share for the first six months of 1989.

Operating results for the second quarter and for the first six months of 1990 and 1989 include a benefit from the reduction of income taxes arising from the carryforward of operating losses of $.01 and $.02 per common share respectively in 1990, and $.03 and $.03 per common share respectively in 1989, reported as extraordinary items.

Operating results for the first six months of 1989 also include a charge against earnings of $.24 per common share, relating to the cumulative effect on years prior to 1989 of a change in accounting for physician recruitment expenditures.

William G. White, president and CEO of AmeriHealth, commenting on the

second quarter financial results, said: "While we continue to be pleased with the company's continued profitability from operations and increased revenues in the second quarter of 1990, our operating results continue to be at levels less than expected. Stronger initiatives will be exerted to improve operations further in the third and fourth quarters."

Founded in 1983, AmeriHealth Inc. now owns and/or manages six hospitals and other health care facilities in Alabama, Georgia, Pennsylvania, and Virginia.

CONTACT: Morris S. Strickland of AmeriHealth, (804) 643-1422.

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#90228p6167 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

FISH CAMP, CA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The new Marriott's Tenaya Lodge at Yosemite, which opened in June, is fully operational despite the fires in Yosemite National Park, according to an announcement by David Souther, general manager of the 242-room luxury resort.

In addition to the status of the hotel, Souther reports that two of Yosemite's most popular visitor draws, the Yosemite Sugar Pine Railroad and Bass Lake, are both "normal and operating on schedule" and that the resort's primary access, Highway 41, is "completely open all the way from Fresno."

"The U.S. Park Service had indicated that Highway 41 will be opened all the way to the (Yosemite) Valley floor on Friday (Aug. 17)," added Souther.

Throughout the summer and fall, the Railroad, just a mile from the property, operates the Logger Steam Train which takes visitors on a scenic four-mile ride on a restored section of track used from 1899 until 1931 by one of Central California's most noted logging operations. The train passes such colorful points of interest as Horse Shoe Curve, Honey Hill Junction and Lewis Creek Canyon. The Railroad station also features the Thornberry Mountain museum, housed in an 1856 log cabin, and a gift shop.

Bass Lake, which is 14 miles south of the property, offers watersports and boat rentals; nearby is golf and hiking. Horseback riding through the Sierra National Forest is offered at the Yosemite Pack Station, only a mile from Marriott's Tenaya Lodge.

In its entirety, Marriott's Tenaya Lodge features 242 deluxe accommodations, an outdoor pool and an indoor lap pool, whirlpools, an aerobic center and fitness salon, massage and separate men's and women's sauna and steam rooms. The property also offers fine dining and entertainment and a design and decor scheme that includes handcrafted furniture, slate floors, exposed thick wood beams and a three-story atrium

lobby and fireplace.

For further information on availability, rates and packages, contact Marriott's Tenaya Lodge at Yosemite; 1122 Highway 41; Fish Camp, CA 93623; direct 800-635-5807 or toll-free in the United States and Canada through Marriott's Worldwide Reservations, 800-228-9290.

CONTACT: Virginia M. Sheridan or Maryellen Nugent of M. Silver Associates 212-704-2020, for Marriott's Tenaya Lodge

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - GSE, who developed the Video Addressing System and RAPID time-code now a VHS standard, is on course to becoming market leader in consumer video post-production equipment. GSE is introducing its revolutionary compact video editor at Photokina, Europe's largest audio/video technology fair, Cologne, Oct. 3-9.

The MPE 100S is a stand-alone, desktop, post-production console. It combines a digital video editor (the first multi-compatible consumer editor featuring both the VITC SMPTE Time Code and GSE's own "RAPID" Time Code which allows overwriting of tapes and coding of prerecorded tapes), with computerized edit listing capabilities, a titler and a video soundtrack mixer.

The unit is compatible with VHS, 8 mm, Super VHS and Hi8, and adapts to virtually all consumer VCR's and camcorders. Previously this number of features was not available in a single compact unit.

The hardware includes two CPU's and a brand-new, highly advanced digital video chip developed in Europe. An exchangeable "smart-card" contains the software, allowing future upgrades and features without the purchase of new hardware.

The same smart-card also provides the menu-driven, inter-active self-teaching system. The MPE 100S uses a normal TV screen and, for titles and text, a computer key board, and has a RS232 computer interface.

The MPE-100S is extremely user-friendly, allows exact to plus/minus one frame editing, superimposing of text, and memorizes particular color demands from scene to scene.

The editor automatically balances sound levels for background music, dubbing or commentary through a programmable 3 channel stereo audio mixer. A video movie of near-professional quality can now be produced by camcorder users.

GSE's European OEM partners, Blaupunkt, Bosch-Bauer and Grundig, have placed orders for fall delivery which will absorb GSE's first production run.

CONTACT: David Miles of GSE Electronic Systems Inc., (212) 308-2243, or Peter Roggendorf of GSE General Systems Electroncis GmbH, 49-6134-29090.

-30- 2254

#90228p6172 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Sterling Bancorp (NYSE: STL), parent company of Sterling National Bank & Trust Company of New York, the company's principal subsidiary, today declared a quarterly dividend of $.05 per common share, payable Sept. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 15, 1990.

This dividend is the 179th consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid by the company and its predecessors since it became a public corporation in 1946.

CONTACT: Ezra J. Denerstein, president of Sterling Bancorp, 212- 826-8000 or Jack Raymond & Co., 212-838-1024, for Sterling Bancorp.

-30- 785

#90228p6174 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Charles A. Phillips, who worked a decade for the Maxwell House Coffee Company before leading General Foods businesses on four continents, is returning to Maxwell House as its president.

"Maxwell House is on the move, and the movement will continue with Chuck Phillips," said Richard P. Mayer, president of General Foods USA, in announcing the appointment, Phillips was named to succeed Raymond G. Viault, who was named chief executive officer of Jacobs Suchard.

"We are fortunate to be able to call upon Chuck Phillips for this assignment," Mayer said. "He has the talents, experience and commitment to provide the strong leadership needed for Maxwell House to build upon its recent successes."

Introducing innovative products and improving existing ones, Maxwell House was the only major coffee company to increase its market share last year. "More new products are in the offing and the emphasis on quality will continue strong," Phillips said.

Phillips, 45, joined General Foods in 1969 as a senior cost analyst for the Post division in Kankakee, Ill., and the following year moved here where he advanced through financial and marketing positions in Post and

Pet Foods and became a senior product manager in Maxwell House in 1974. Over the next decade, he served in several marketing and planning positions in Maxwell House and became marketing and development manager in 1983.

In 1984, he joined General Foods International, moving first to Brussels as strategic planning director for GF Europe, then to Spain in 1986 as general manager of Saimaza, General Foods' coffee company in Spain, and back here in 1989 as president for Latin America and Eastern Europe, Middle East and Africa.

Phillips is a native of Dallas and holds B.A. and M.B.A. degrees from Texas Tech University.

CONTACT: Cliff Sessions of General Foods, 914-335-2517

-30- 2103

#90228p6177 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of PNC Financial Corp (NYSE: PNC) has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 53 cents per share on the common stock.

The dividend is payable Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record as of the close of business Sept. 7, 1990.

The board declared a quarterly cash dividend of 40 cents per share on preferred stock, Series C; 45 cents per share on preferred stock, Series D; and 65 cents per share on preferred stock, Series E, all payable Oct. 1 1990, to stockholders of record as of the close of business Sept. 7, 1990.

The board also declared a quarterly cash dividend of 45 cents per share on preferred stock, Series A and B, payable Dec. 10, 1990, to stockholders of record as of the close of business Nov. 16, 1990.

PNC Financial Corp, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is the nation's 14th-largest bank holding company with assets of $47.8 billion. PNC was formed in 1983 with the consolidation of Pittsburgh National Corp., Pittsburgh, and Provident National Corp., Philadelphia. Its principal banking affiliates include: Bank of Delaware Corp., Wilmington, Del.; The Central Bancorporation Inc., Cincinnati (includes banks in Ohio and Kentucky); Citizens Fidelity Corp., Louisville, Ky. (includes banks in Kentucky and Indiana); The First Bank and Trust Co., Mechanicsburg, Pa.; The Hershey Bank, Hershey, Pa.; Marine Bank, Erie, Pa.; Northeastern Bank of Pennsylvania, Scranton, Pa.; Pittsburgh National Bank, Pittsburgh; Provident National Bank, Philadelphia; PNC National Bank, Wilmington, Del.; and PNC National Bank of New Jersey, Cherry Hill, N.J. PNC currently operates 530 community banking offices in Pennsylvania, Kentucky

Indiana, Ohio, Delaware and New Jersey. It also conducts business through additional offices in 15 states and seven foreign countries.

CONTACT: Earl J. Bohn of PNC Financial, 412-762-2477, or home at 412-734-4185

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#90228p6183 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Detroit Edison (NYSE: DTE) today announced record July industrial electricity sales of 1.6 billion kilowatthours (kWh), up 0.4 percent compared with the same period in 1989.

The increase was due, in part, to a 2-percent increase in sales to steel customers, the first monthly year-to-year increase in steel sales since January 1989.

July residential sales of 1 billion kWh were down 5.4 percent from a year ago, largely the result of cooler weather and a decrease in air-conditioning use.

Commercial sales of 776 million kWh last month were down 0.5 percent from a year ago, also reflecting the cooler summer weather. The drop ended a 10-month string of consecutive monthly commercial sales records.

Despite industrial sales gains, total sales for July were 3.6 billion kWh, down 2.1 percent from a year ago as a result of lower sales to commercial and residential customers.

The Persian Gulf crisis is not expected to impact Detroit Edison sales over the next several months, according to Saad Zara, Detroit Edison corporate economist.

"We may begin to see a shift in consumer sentiment toward lower spending, but typically there is a lapse of several months before it actually impacts electricity production and sales," Zara said.

He added that a quick settlement in the Middle East would result in minimal impact to Detroit Edison sales.

CONTACT: Lorie N. Kessler, 313-237-8807, or Martin L. Bufalini II, 313-237-8808, both of Detroit Edison

-30- 1677

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TORONTO (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited (NASDAQ-NMS: AEAGF; Toronto, Montreal Stock Exchanges: AGE) today announced a public

offering of 3.2 million units on a "bought deal" basis at C$8.625 per unit for gross proceeds of C$27.6 million. Each unit consists of one common share and a one-half common share purchase warrant. Each whole warrant will entitle the holder to purchase one common share of Agnico-Eagle for C$9.125 for a period of approximately two years from the date of closing.

The underwriting group is lead by RBC Dominion Securities Inc. and includes Wood Gundy Inc. and Dean Witter Reynolds (Canada) Inc. The units will be offered for sale in Canada and Europe.

Proceeds from the issue will be used principally to finance the company's exploration and development projects. Agnico-Eagle intends to file a preliminary prospectus relating to the offering in all provinces shortly.

CONTACT: Sean Boyd, secretary-treasurer of Agnico-Eagle Mines, 416-947-1212

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MONTCLAIR, N.J. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Bernard J. Martin, chairman and chief executive officer of Montclair Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MSBI), announced that the board of directors at its Aug. 14, 1990 meeting declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.15 per share. The dividend will be paid on Oct. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Sept. 1, 1990. Montclair Bancorp, Inc., is the parent holding company of Montclair Savings Bank, Montclair, N.J.

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DETROIT (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Screw Works (OTC: FSCR) reported net earnings for the year ended June 30, 1990, of $2,187,000, or $1.85 per share, on sales of $64,387,000. For the year ended June 30, 1989, the company reported net earnings of $3,502,000, or $2.90 per share, on sales of $73,147,000.

Net earnings for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $868,000, or $0.74 per share, on sales of $18,790,000. In the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1989, the company reported net earnings of $1,232,000, or $1.02 per share, on sales of $18,166,000.

Sales for the fiscal year, while off 12 percent from last year's record sales, were still the second highest in the company's history. The company experienced very severe reductions in demand from its principal automotive

customers in the four months from November 1989 to February 1990, as inventories of unsold cars were reduced. Sales in the final quarter were quite strong.

The company declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.10 per share, plus an extra cash dividend of $.20 per share, payable Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 14, 1990.

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CINCINNATI, (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Philip E. Beekman, chairman and chief executive officer of Hook-SupeRx, Inc. (HSI), announced today that Thomas E. Stilgenbauer has been promoted to the position of president of the SupeRx Drugs Division of HSI effective Aug. 13, 1990. SupeRx is headquartered in Cincinnati and operates 348 drug stores in 14 states.

Stilgenbauer began his career in drug retailing when he joined SupeRx Drug Corporation after graduating from the University of Cincinnati in 1970. He joined HSI in 1986, when it purchased SupeRx Drugs Corporation. Since June 1988, Stilgenbauer has held the position of vice president and chief financial officer of Brooks Drug, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of HSI.

Stilgenbauer replaces Gary Hendren, who is on special assignment to the office of the chief executive officer.

Hook-SupeRx, Inc., with headquarters in Cincinnati, operates 1,113 drug stores in 22 states through three operating divisions: Brooks Drug, Inc., Hook Drugs, and SupeRx Drugs.

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KALAMAZOO, MI (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - International Controls Corp., which has made an offer to the holders of its 12-3/4 percent senior subordinated debentures due 2001 (AMEX: INCB) and its subordinated discount debentures due Jan. 1, 2006 (AMEX: INCA) to exchange their debentures for a package of cash, new senior debentures and warrants to purchase the company's common stock, has been advised that holders of at least $97 million of the 12-3/4 percent debentures (two-thirds of the principal amount outstanding) and at least $92 million of the subordinated discount debentures (one-half of the principal amount outstanding) have formed a committee to engage in discussions with the company regarding the exchange offer. The committee has engaged Rothschild Inc. as its financial advisor and Kronish, Lieb,

Weiner & Hellman as its legal counsel. The company has entered into agreements with the financial advisor and legal counsel to the committee to pay their fees and expenses, which agreements were reached shortly after the company received a no-action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission permitting such payments without requiring registration of the company's exchange offer under the Securities Act of 1933.

The company has extended the expiration date of the exchange offer from 5 p.m. Aug. 16, 1990, to 5 p.m. Sept. 17, 1990. As of 5 p.m. on Aug. 10, 1990, $4,441,000 of the subordinated discount debentures and $4,000 of the 12-3/4 percent debentures had been tendered.

Debentureholders who desire further information about the committee may contact Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., senior managing director of Rothschild Inc., at (212) 757-6000.

CONTACT: Kevin Hanley of International Controls, 616-343-6121, or William Catacosinos or Jennifer R. Wall of D. F. King, 212-269-5550, for International Controls

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The SFT U.S. Government Series was once again ranked number one in Monday's Wall Street Journal by Lipper Analytical Services.

This marks the third time the series, which has placed in the top ten all year, delivered the best return in the nation. The current annual rate of return is 10.80 percent.

For those who may not remember, the prospectus states that at least 65 percent of a government series will be backed by government securities. In reality, the SFT U.S. Government Series is 96 percent government-backed.

SFT Inc. (OTC) invests the bulk of its U.S. Government Series in Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA) certificates. GNMA certificates, backed by the U.S. government, guarantee interest and principal payments to the bond holder.

According to SFT Vice President Andy Groshans, SFT Inc.'s U.S. Government Series, which has quadrupled its assets to well over $34 million in the past year, will continue to produce high returns.

"Given current economic conditions, we feel this fund will hold the same performance results for the rest of the year," said Groshans.

For inquiries, call 800-523-2044.

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#90228p6201 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON, (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Uno Restaurant Corporation (AMEX: UNO) announced today that it has declared a 25 percent stock split payable on Sept. 10, 1990 to the stockholders of record of the corporation on Aug. 28, 1990. The stock split will result in one additional share of common stock being issued for each four shares of common stock issued and outstanding. Cash will be issued in lieu of fractional shares.

Uno Restaurant Corporation operates and franchises a chain of casual dining, full-service restaurants under the name "Pizzeria Uno Restaurant & Bar." The restaurants feature gourmet, Chicago-style deep dish pizza and a variety of entrees, sandwiches, appetizers, salads, desserts and beverages. It currently owns and operates 29 Pizzeria Uno restaurants in Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Maryland and Washington, D.C. and has 46 franchised restaurants in 16 states.

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#90228p6208 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES MOINES, IOWA (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Meredith Corporation (NYSE: MDP) board of directors today declared a quarterly dividend of 16 cents per share, payable Sept. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record Aug. 27, 1990.

The payable date normally would have been a day later. Because Sept. 15 falls on a Saturday this year, the payable date was moved up a day to give shareholders access to their dividends before the weekend.

Meredith Corporation is a diversified media company involved in magazine and book publishing, television broadcasting, residential real estate marketing and franchising, and commercial printing.

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#90228p6209 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - In a move intended to stimulate the

traditionally weak fall travel period, Pan American World Airways today announced reductions of up to 35 percent on its fares to the Caribbean.

Pan Am's "Caribbean Fall Sale" applies to travel from New York, Los Angeles, Miami and Washington to eighteen destinations in the Caribbean, including Barbados, St. Maarten, Montego Bay and the U.S. Virgin Islands. In addition, Pan Am will offer the special fare to Aruba and Curacao when it commences service to those islands on Oct. 28.

Included in the offer is a one-way fare of $89, based on a round- trip purchase, between New York and Bermuda, Nassau, San Juan or Freeport.

The fares apply for Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday travel between Sept. 5 and Dec. 16, 1990. Slightly higher fares are available for weekend travel. All tickets must be purchased by Aug. 29 and all travel must be completed by Dec. 16, 1990. Tickets are non-refundable and holiday blackouts apply.

The Caribbean fare reductions follow similar reductions in Pan Am's domestic markets announced earlier this week.

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#90228p6212 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, GA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Synovus Financial Corp. (NYSE: SNV) today announced that it has signed a definitive agreement to acquire the $130 million-asset Citizens Federal Savings and Loan Association, Rome, Ga. ("Citizens").

The signing of a letter of intent was previously announced on July 3. The acquisition of Citizens will be accomplished by means of its conversion to stock form and the purchase by SNV of all of Citizens' outstanding stock. The eligible account holders of Citizens will be given an opportunity to purchase stock of SNV in connection with the transaction.

The acquisition is expected to be completed in the fourth quarter of 1990. Consummation of the acquisition is subject to the prior approval of the Georgia Banking Department, the Federal Reserve Board, the Office of Thrift Supervision, and the members of Citizens.

SNV is a $2.7 billion-asset, multi-financial services company based in Columbus, Ga. SNV is composed of 14 Georgia, four Florida and two Alabama banking affiliates, a majority-owned publicly traded bankcard data processing company, Total System Services Inc. (NYSE: TSS), and a broker/dealer company, Synovus Securities Inc.

CONTACT: Stephen L. Burts Jr., executive vice president and treasurer of Synovus, 404-649-2197

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#90228p6213 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Norstan, Inc. (NASDAQ: NRRD) today announced the results of its first quarter ended July 28, 1990.

Net income increased 28.5 percent to $555,000 or $.16 per share for the three months ended July 28, 1990, as compared to $432,000 or $.14 per share for the similar period last year. Operating income increased 18.3 percent to $1,200,000 for the quarter as compared to $1,014,000 last year. Revenues for the quarter increased 8.4 percent to $28,566,000 compared to $26,349,000 last year.

The improvements in net income and operating income in the first quarter of 1991 as compared to last year result primarily from increased sales volume and operating results from the company's Central Region. As previously announced, the company has also recently entered into two new business partnerships. These relationships are with ROLM for the refurbishment and sale of secondary market equipment and with US Sprint for the sale of long-distance services.

Sales of US Sprint long-distance services began May 1, 1990. The number of customers contracting for long-distance services is in line with the company's expectations. The Norstan/ROLM alliance became effective July 1 and the company is satisfied with its preliminary efforts. Both of these business partnerships have been well received in the marketplace and Norstan anticipates even greater returns as their customers become more aware of these products and services.

Due to the provision for loss recorded in the fourth quarter of 1990 related to Norstan's investment in New Summit, Inc. (NSI), no dividend and interest income related to this investment was recorded in the first quarter of this fiscal year. Net income for the first quarter of last year included $67,000, or $.02 per share, of dividend and interest income from the company's investment in NSI. Management of the company is continuing its efforts to maximize the ultimate recovery of its investment in NSI.

Norstan, Inc., based in Maple Grove, Minn., is a multi-product communications services company that sells, installs, services and supports business telephone systems. The company has 1,200 employees in 21 cities throughout the states of Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa, Ohio, Kentucky, Arizona and New Mexico.

NORSTAN, INC.

Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended	
	7/28/90	7/29/89
Revenues	$28,566,000	$26,349,000
Gross margin	11,072,000	10,288,000
Selling, general and administrative expenses	9,872,000	9,274,000
Operating income	1,200,000	1,014,000
Income before income taxes	940,000	733,000
Net income	$555,000	$432,000
Earnings per share	$.16	$.14
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	3,516,000	3,102,000

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#90228p6214 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Regal International Inc. (NYSE: RGL) today announced the successful restructuring of substantially all of its debt as part of an extensive refinancing program. The refinancing commenced in February 1990 with the infusion of $0.5 million in working capital by Zurich Corp., followed by Zurich's buyout of the company's defaulted primary bank debt of approximately $2.15 million for $1.85 million in July 1990. Subsequently, Zurich exercised an option to purchase 12 million shares of Regal common stock by converting approximately $2 million in debt into equity and the payment of approximately $1 million in cash.

Under a settlement reached today between certain directors and noteholders and the company, all debt held by the above parties, in the approximate principal amount of $4,304,000 will be paid in full over a one year term. This obligation will take the form of new Regal notes collateralized by a second lien on Regal's principal assets. Accrued and unpaid interest of approximately $993,000 will be waived. Regal will issue warrants to purchase 1,435,000 shares of its comon stock exercisable over a one year period at an exercise price of 1 cent per share. The warrant holders have the right to require Regal to repurchase, and Regal has the right to reacquire the warrants at a price approximately equal to one-half the interest that has been forgiven.

The company's board unanimously voted for the settlement and to end all litigation between the company and directors, Beinhocker, Plunkett and Watts and their affiliates. An involuntary bankruptcy petition filed July 1990, will be dismissed by the petitioning creditors. This litigation is fully discussed in Regal's proxy statement dated Aug. 2, 1990. The settling directors, their affiliates and assignees, have agreed not to

enter, participate in, or initiate a hostile proxy contest for a period of five years.

Ruben Aragon, Regal's chairman, said this was a very favorable development as it ends the internal disputes that have affected the company for some time and allows management to fully devote its energies towards operations in an economic environment that is very positive for the company's products. Aragon said that the company's operations have significantly turned around and for the first time in eight years the company has produced two consecutive profitable quarters with continued profitability expected. In addition, said Aragon, the Environmental Protection Agency litigation settlement and the proposed restructuring make it possible for Regal to have a new beginning. Aragon said that Zurich has agreed to assist Regal in financing the restructured debt.

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#90228p6217 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANHASSET, N.Y. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Oncogene Science, Inc. (NASDAQ: ONCS), today announced revenues of $1,414,844 for the third quarter ending June 30, 1990, an increase of 14 percent from the $1,246,413 reported for the third quarter last year. The company had a net loss of $608,251, or $(.07) per share, compared to a net loss of $666,447, or $(.07) per share, for the same period last year. For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, the company had a net loss of $1,744,186 on operating revenues of $3,933,901 compared to a net loss of $1,751,731 on operating revenues of $3,521,088 for the same period a year ago.

Commenting on the third quarter results, Gary E. Frashier, president and chief executive officer, said "The increase in revenue is primarily a result of increased sales of our research products. These product sales were approximately $429,000, for the quarter representing an increase of 91 percent over the same quarter of the previous year. The quarter's results reflect the company's continuing investment in the development and marketing of our research product line and, to a lesser extent, in the further development of the company's proprietary Transforming Growth Factor Beta-3 (TGF Beta-3) programs and its GEMS(SM) therapeutic drug discovery technology.

Oncogene Science, Inc., using proprietary oncogene-related and growth factor technologies, is in the business of developing biopharmaceutical products for the research, diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other cell control-linked diseases.

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Communications, 212-979-9180, for Oncogene Science

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#90228p6222 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
DENVER (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines, the Colorado Tourism Board and Colorado Ski Country USA today announced a joint marketing effort designed to significantly boost Colorado ski visits this season.

Among the programs that will be used to attract more skiers are specially priced vacation packages, an early-season "learn to ski" program, off-peak pricing for cost-conscious skiers and additional flights to Colorado resorts by Continental Express.

Continental also will promote Colorado ski areas in "Snoshow" presentations in 19 cities this fall, and will offer a special "winter stop-over" program for business travelers flying through Denver.

Announcement of the joint marketing program was made by John Nelson, Continental's executive vice president of marketing; Dan Goodyear, a member of the state tourism board, and Janie McCullough, marketing director for Ski Country.

"Colorado is blessed with the world's best champagne powder," Nelson said. "As a team, we intend to back up that fantastic resource with the most competitive air travel, lodging and ski-lift packages in the world -- making Colorado's 1990-91 ski season a sure winner."

Continental, the tourism board and Ski Country held a series of discussions over the spring and summer in which resorts, ski corporations and the airline agreed to significantly reduce prices in order to assemble the most attractive ski-vacation packages in the industry.

The state tourism board has designated Continental as "the Official Airline of Colorado" in recognition of its efforts to promote Colorado tourism.

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#90228p6224 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Serv-Air, an E-Systems (NYSE: ESY) company has been awarded a $5.7 million contract by the U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command to provide operation and maintenance services at The Naval Air Engineering Center, Lakehurst, N.J. Overall value for this

contract, including all exercisable options over a five year period, is expected to exceed $27 million.

Serv-Air specializes in aircraft logistics programs, operations and maintenance services, and communications systems integration, test and repair. With general offices in Greenville, Texas, Serv-Air is staffed with more than 2500 employees at 75 locations worldwide.

E-Systems, (NYSE: ESY), is a major worldwide developer and producer of electronic systems and products in the areas of intelligence, reconnaissance and surveillance systems, command and control, electronic warfare, specialized aircraft maintenance and modification, guidance, navigation and control, communications and data systems.

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#90228p6226 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Petroleum Equipment Tools Co.'s (NASDAQ: PTCO) (PETCO) Chairman and President David M. Johnson today announced that the company has acquired the rental assets of Presco Systems. The purchase price was paid in cash and the issuance of restricted shares of the company's common stock. The assets consisted of pressure control equipment of a highly specialized and unique nature. This equipment complements the company's current inventory and enables it to offer its customers equipment that is not available from the majority of its competitors.

Johnson also stated that the company recently completed the acquisition of additional field pressure testing units to be used in performing pressure testing of blowout preventers.

The equipment acquired in these acquisitions is being distributed to existing PETCO facilities.

Petroleum Equipment Tools Co. (PETCO) rents quality drill pipe and fishing and rental tools for drilling and workover operations to the oil and gas industry in the United States and the North Sea.

PETCO's common stock is traded nationally under the symbol PTCO on the NASDAQ market.

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#90228p6227 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Pfizer Inc (NYSE: PFE) learned today that the Missouri Court of Appeals has affirmed the summary dismissal of a case involving a Bjork-Shiley heart valve that has been functioning without incident. The Missouri appellate court joins the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Third, Fourth, and Eighth Circuits, which have previously affirmed summary dismissals of such cases.

The Missouri court of appeals held that the plaintiff "is unable to allege and maintain a claim for relief for strict liability failure to warn, because his prosthetic heart valves have not failed or malfunctioned." The court also ruled that "product malfunction or failure is an essential element of a claim for negligent failure to warn."

Steven C. Kany, Pfizer senior assistant general counsel, said, "Pfizer is encouraged by the significant number of favorable court rulings in cases where the plaintiffs have a functioning Shiley valve and claim only that they are concerned about a possible failure at some unknown future time. To date, 38 such cases have been dismissed. Of these, 22 were summarily dismissed by court order upon motion by Shiley, with four affirmed on appeal. The remaining 26 cases were dismissed voluntarily by the plaintiffs."

Kany noted that "there are pending in Missouri six cases involving 17 plaintiffs with functioning valves. The decision of the Missouri Court of Appeals, and that of the Eighth Circuit in a federal case brought in Missouri, establish precedent which we believe will result in the dismissal of the remaining cases in Missouri."

Kany said, "Pfizer will continue to defend vigorously all cases involving functioning valves."

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#90228p6228 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - American Health Properties Inc. (NYSE: AHE) announced today that it has completed a $21.6 million purchase of The Retreat Psychiatric Hospital and Anclote Manor from American Medical Holdings Inc. ("AMI"). These two Florida facilities will be leased to operating companies comprising each hospital's management and physicians. The initial term of each lease is 10 years with three additional 10-year renewal options. Rents on these hospitals, like other properties owned by AHE, include base rental plus percentage rental based upon revenue growth.

The Retreat Psychiatric Hospital is a 100-bed facility located in Sunrise,

Fla., and Anclote Manor is a 130-bed facility located in Tarpon Springs, Fla.

"This transaction is the first stage of AHE's purchase of AMI's five hospital psychiatric division for a total purchase price of approximately $72 million. We expect to complete the acquisition of the remaining three properties, located in California and Massachusetts, during the third quarter 1990," said Robert L. B. Diener, president and chief operating officer of the company.

American Health Properties is a real estate investment trust (REIT) specializing in the financing of quality healthcare facilities. The company's investments include 18 acute care, rehabilitation and psychiatric properties located in 12 states.

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#90228p6229 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Reuters Holdings PLC (NASDAQ: RTRSY) today made the following statement in respect of speculation surrounding the development and eventual launch of phase two of its Dealing 2000 product for the foreign exchange market:

"In-house testing of the Dealing 2000-2 system for the automated matching of deals in the foreign exchange market continues. The system is performing well under rigorous testing.

The network and central system are operating under test at high standards of reliability but further testing is required on peripheral systems and overall system integration. Client testing will take place when we are satisfied with the outcome of our own tests.

"The terms of Reuter liability for broken trades with Dealing 2000-2 are not a factor in the extension of the testing period and we do not expect them to be a bar to the acceptance of the system."

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#90228p6235 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

RADNOR, PA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Sun Co. (NYSE: SUN) today announced that Robert M. Aiken Jr., will become senior vice president in charge of the company's financial function. He is currently comptroller, holding that slot since 1979.

Aiken will replace John P. Neafsey who is leaving Sun to join Greenwich Capital Markets.

In his new position as chief financial officer, Aiken will be responsible for Sun's tax, treasury, information systems, investor relations and comptroller functions. Helios Capital Corporation will also report to Aiken.

"Bob Aiken brings 20 years of Sun experience to this position," said Robert McClements Jr., chairman and chief executive officer. "His wide experience in financial operations has been developed during two very demanding decades for the energy industry."

Aiken joined Sun in 1970 in the corporate accounting department and was named department manager in 1972. He was appointed assistant comptroller in 1975 and the following year was named director of accounting services.

Aiken was born in Philadelphia Oct. 17, 1942. He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School with a BS degree in economics in 1965. As a Sloan Fellow in 1980, he received a master's degree from the Stanford University Graduate School of A Certified Public Accountant, Aiken is a member of the American Institute of CPA's, the Pennsylvania Institute of CPA's and the American Petroleum Institute.

CONTACT: Beverly Dotter of Sun Co., 215-293-6286.

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#90228p6236 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Dresser Industries Inc. (NYSE: DI) announced today that its Board of Directors has declared a dividend distribution of one new preferred stock purchase right on each outstanding share of its common stock. At the same time, the Board has authorized the redemption of the old preferred stock purchase rights which were issued April 29, 1986. The redemption price of $0.025 per old right (which redemption price reflects an adjustment for the 2-for-1 split authorized by the Board on Aug. 16, 1990) will be paid to stockholders of record on Oct. 3, 1990. The new rights dividend distribution will be made to stockholders of record on Oct. 3, 1990, and the rights will expire 10 years later unless redeemed at an earlier date.

John J. Murphy, Dresser chairman and president, said that the Board has concluded that there is a continuing need for the protection which a rights plan affords stockholders, and that the new rights plan provides greater flexibility to the Board in protecting the interests of stockholders.

Murphy noted that the market price for the company's common stock has, at

times, approached the $60 exercise price of the old rights. Accordingly, the Board of Directors has authorized the new rights with an exercise price of $90.00 per right, which, after taking into account the 2-for-1 split, represents a more appropriate relationship to the long-term value of the company's common stock.

The Board may redeem the new rights for 1 cent per right prior to the tenth day after 15 percent or more of the company's voting stock has been acquired by a person or group. Such period may be extended by the Board.

The new rights will generally not be exercisable until 10 days after a person or group acquires 15 percent or more of Dresser common stock or 10 days after a person or group commences or announces an intent to commence a tender or exchange offer which, if successful, would result in the offeror owning 30 percent or more of the stock. These periods may be extended by the Board. Once exercisable, each new right would entitle its holder to buy 1/100th of a share of Dresser Series A Junior Preferred Stock at an exercise price of $90.00.

If Dresser were acquired in a merger or other business combination transaction not approved by the Corporation's Continuing Directors, each new right then exercisable would entitle its holder to buy that number of shares of the surviving company's common stock which has a market value equal to twice the new right's exercise price. In addition, if a person or group were to acquire 15 percent or more of Dresser's common stock (unless pursuant to a transaction approved by the Continuing Directors), each new right would entitle all rightsholders, other than the 15 percent stockholder, to purchase that number of preferred shares having a market value equal to twice the new rights' exercise price.

Details of the new Rights Plan will be outlined in a letter to be mailed to stockholders.

Headquartered in Dallas, Dresser is a major supplier of highly engineered products and services primarily utilized in energy-related activities throughout the world.

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#90228p6239 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientists at the Boeing Defense & Space Group have received an $864,000 contract from NASA to further study gardening in space, the company announced today. The company's Aerospace & Electronics Division will design an experiment to fly aboard a space shuttle by 1993 that should lead to a better understanding of how plants can be grown in space -- either aboard spacecraft or at a lunar or Mars

colony. The experiment design work will be done at the Boeing Space Center in Kent, Wash.

"Growing plants in space is difficult because there is no gravity to influence plant growth and control water flow," according to Mel Oleson, one of the scientists who will be working on the project. "Water must be contained in a space environment or it will form into globules and float away," he said.

"One means of controlling water may be through use of permeable or semi-permeable membranes as a rooting substrate."

The theory is that nutrient-laden water can be pumped through the membranes, keeping the water contained, while plant roots located on the membrane surface draw off the solution that they need for growth, according to Oleson. As part of the experiment, photographs and samples will be taken of the nutrient-flow process in space to see if the "weightless" fluids and membranes behave in space the way that Earth-based experiments predict they will.

Oleson and others at the Boeing Space Center have been studying the use of hydroponics, the growing of plants in a nutrient solution without the use of soil, as part of Boeing's preparation for manned exploration of our solar system.

Plants would be essential aboard long-duration space flights --- to Mars for instance --- as a means of replenishing a spacecraft's oxygen supply, to consume unwanted carbon dioxide, to purify water, and to provide a renewable food source for astronauts.

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#90228p6243 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (AUG. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Toreador Royalty (NASDAQ: TRGL) reported a loss of $33,404 for the second quarter of 1990 equal to $0.007 per share in comparison with a loss of $91,558 or $0.021 per share for the second quarter of 1989.

Second quarter revenues were $242,950 in 1990, a 23.3 percent gain as compared with $197,214 in 1989. The majority of the increase was represented by the sale of 20,000 units of the company's holding in the Permian Basin Royalty Trust for a net gain of $92,072, partially offset by reduced distributions from Grantor Trusts and lower gas volumes and prices.

Cost and expenses were $276,354 in 1990, down from $330,532 in 1989, due primarily to lower general and administrative expenses, which were

$236,001 in 1990 vs. $290,979 in 1989. The decline in general and administrative expenses in 1990 was due primarily to the absence of a severance payment totaling $87,500 made to a company officer in 1989.

Cash flow from operations was a negative $4,635 for the second quarter of 1990 vs. a negative cash flow of $63,179 for the same period of 1989. However, excluding the one time $87,500 employment contract payment, cash flow for the second quarter of 1989 would have been positive.

Toreador owns in excess of 500,000 net mineral acres located primarily in the Texas Panhandle and Northwest Texas. In addition, the company owns working and royalty interests in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana.

CONTACT: Peter R. Vig of Toreador Royalty Corp., 214-220-2141

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DALLAS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Dresser Industries Inc. (NYSE: DI) today reported higher sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended July 31 than it had a year earlier, declared a regular quarterly dividend, and announced a two-for-one split of the company's common stock.

The Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of 27.5 cents per share payable Sept. 20, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 4, 1990. The Board also approved a two-for-one split in the form of a distribution of one additional share of common stock for each share outstanding to shareholders of record, also as of Sept. 4, 1990. The 27.5 cent dividend is to be paid to shareholders on a pre-split basis. It is anticipated that quarterly dividends paid subsequently to the effective date of the split will be at a rate of $0.15 per share.

For the third quarter of fiscal 1990, Dresser had net earnings of $47.5 million or 70 cents per share, up from $42.4 million or 62 cents per share a year earlier primarily as a result of stronger market conditions for oilfield products and services. For the nine months ended July 31, net earnings were $110.5 million or $1.63 per share and compared to $102.1 million or $1.51 per share during the corresponding period of fiscal 1989.

Sales revenues of $1.18 billion for the third quarter and $3.11 billion for the nine months compared to $1 billion and $2.87 billion, respectively a year earlier.

At July 31, the company's backlog of unfilled orders had increased 20 percent to $3.21 billion from $2.68 billion at the same 1989 date. Downstream equipment and engineering services account for $2.96 billion, which compared to $2.46 billion a year earlier.

Headquartered in Dallas, Dresser is a major supplier of highly engineered products and services primarily utilized in energy-related activities throughout the world.

CONTACT: H.M. Ryan of Dresser Industries, 214-740-6757

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OCALA, FL (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Warren Kaplan, president of Action Products International Inc. (NASDAQ: APII) of Ocala, Fla., reported today that July sales increased by 25 percent for its second best July sales and that sales for the seven months ending July 31 were up 23.47 percent over the previous year.

This was the tenth month of increased sales. The company is a major manufacturer and importer/exporter of space, dinosaur, animal, and aquarium gift items, specializing in the museum and corporate specialty market and the manufacturer of Astronaut food products.

PERIOD ENDING	1990	1989	PCT. GAIN
Seven Months, 7/31	$2,548,546	$2,064,162	+23.47
One Month, 7/31	378,713	303,010	+25.00

Kaplan said, "We opened a buying office in Taiwan and we expect to open one in Hong Kong later this year. More important is the fact that we are selling in Asia and we expect to see increased sales from that area of the globe for the balance of this year and into 1991.

U.S.A. made products can compete provided the products are quality and adapt to their mores. Additionally, it took several years to establish relationships and to work around the maze of paperwork. Although all of our growth has been internal, we are seeking mergers."

CONTACT: Elissa Kaplan of Action Products International, Inc., 904-687-2202.

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#90228p6247 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHBROOK, IL (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc. (NYSE: IFL), today declared a regular dividend of 27 cents per share of common stock for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

The dividend is payable Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 14 1990.

IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc., is one of the world's leading producers and marketers of phosphate rock and potash, and a manufacturer of phosphate chemicals and nitrogen crop nutrients. The company also recovers uranium oxide for sale to electric utilities for upgrading as fuel for nuclear power plants.

CONTACT: Tom Unzicker (media), 708-205-4839, or John E. Galvin (financial), 708-205-4814, both of IMC Fertilizer.

-30- 892

#90228p6250 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - New Plan Realty Trust (NYSE: NPR) announced today that it had taken title to the 155,000 square foot "Central Avenue Market Place," in Toledo, Ohio, the trust's first shopping center acquisition of the new fiscal year.

Purchased for an undisclosed amount of cash, the property becomes New Plan's third shopping center in the Greater Toledo Area and the sixth in Ohio. The nation's largest publicly owned equity trust, New Plan has holdings that include 60 shopping centers, apartment complexes and other properties in 14 states east of the Mississippi.

Anchored by major retailers, the shopping center covers 17.6 acres and is located at a commercially active intersection in Suburban Toledo, where Holland-Sylvania Road joins Central Avenue. Prominent retail tenants include: a Hills Department Store, Kroger Supermarket, Rite Aid drug store, First Federal Savings Bank and Jo-Ann Fabrics.

The Central Avenue Market Place is the fourteenth acquisition consummated by the trust over the past 12 months, which previously included 10 shopping centers in Georgia and three in Ohio.

CONTACT: Ron Frankel of New Plan, 212-869-3000

-30- 1359

#90228p6251 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARSON, CALIF. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Nissan Motor Corp. in U.S.A. has annouced the appointment of John Rinek as National Advertising Communication manager for the company's Nissan Division, effective immediately.

Rinek succeeds Tom Hushek who was recently named Nissan Division regional general manager in Boston. In his new position, Rinek will be responsible for the overall direction of all Nissan Division national advertising and for the transition of regional advertising to the division's 11 regional offices.

A veteran of 20 years in the advertising business, Rinek joined Nissan in 1988 as national truck advertising manager, and for the past year and a half served as national advertising creative manager for all car and truck advertising. Prior to joining Nissan he was corporate communications manager with Sanyo Fisher (U.S.A.) Corp.

A native of Hartford, Conn., Rinek earned a bachelor of arts degree from the University of California at Santa Barbara and a master of business administration from the University of California, Los Angeles. He and his wife, Susan, are the parents of two children. The family resides in Newport Beach, Calif.

CONTACT: Bill Pauli of Nissan Motor Corp., 213-719-5631; or Bob Thomas & Associates, for Nissan, 213-376-6978

-30- 1469

#90228p6254 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPRINGFIELD, VA. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Versar, Inc. (AMEX: VSR) announced today the formation of a committee of the board of directors to seek candidates for the position of president.

Dr. Michael Markels Jr, chairman and current president of the company and chairman of the search committee, said: "The board members agree with me that it is important to address this issue now since I will reach 65 years of age in a few months. With the installation of the new president, I will continue in my position as the chairman of the board, devoting my active attention to that office."

Versar provides a wide range of scientific and technical services to solve environmental and health and safety problems caused by pollutants, hazardous materials and toxic substances.

CONTACT: Dr. Robert Ouellette, vice president, corporate development, Versar, Inc., 703-750-3000

-30- 1040

#90228p6256 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Kimberly-Clark Corp. (NYSE: KMB) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 68 cents per share. The dividend is payable Oct. 2, 1990, to stockholders of record Sept. 7, 1990.

Kimberly-Clark is a manufacturer of household, personal care and health care products, as well as newsprint and business, correspondence and specialty papers.

CONTACT: Tina S. Barry of Kimberly-Clark Corp., 214-830-1484

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DALLAS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Endevco Inc. (AMEX: EI) announced today that it has formed a 50 percent-owned joint venture through its wholly-owned subsidiary Endevco Oil and Gas Co. with R. Lacy Inc. of Longview, Texas. The two companies will conduct business under the name "Cardinal Joint Venture" (Cardinal).

Cardinal plans to utilize available capacity in R. Lacy Inc. owned or partially-owned pipeline systems located in Gregg, Rusk and Panola Counties, East Texas, to primarily transport third party gas that historically has been subject to frequent sales interruptions from other pipeline systems due to capacity constraints. The Lacy systems consist of over 100 miles of pipe. This area of East Texas surrounding The Lacy systems has had numerous gas producing fields and continues to experience significant drilling activity. Cardinal will actively pursue arrangements with all area producers in its endeavors to develop this joint venture in order to provide producers alternative pipelines and market areas.

Endevco is a rapidly growing natural gas company built around a core business - gas transportation, consisting of gathering, transmission, storage and marketing of natural gas. The company is also engaged in the closely related and complementary business of treating and processing natural gas and natural gas liquids.

CONTACT: Kelcy L. Warren or E.P. Marinos, 214-691-5536, both of Endevco Inc.

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#90228p6262 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Cineplex Odeon Corporation (NYSE: CPX) today announced that because negotiations are continuing regarding the sale of 38 theaters in the state of Utah, Minnesota, Oregon, and Washington by its wholly owned subsidiary, Plitt Theatres, Inc., the closing date has been extended.

CONTACT: Jo Mira Clodman of Cineplex Odeon, 416-323-6600.

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#90228p6264 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, CO. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Hauser Chemical Research Inc.

(NASDAQ: HAUS) today announced results for fiscal 1990. Revenues for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990, were up $860,000, or 39.6 percent, to a new high of $3,031,326 compared to $2,171,636 in the prior fiscal year. It was the fourth straight year of increases in revenues in excess of 35 percent for Hauser Chemical Research.

The company experienced its greatest growth during the fourth quarter when revenues reached $1,107,691 compared to $1,923,635 for the first three quarters of fiscal 1990. The strong increase in the fourth quarter was due to $430,738 in revenues from the newly acquired (Jan. 1, 1990) Hauser Laboratories and to new business with Bristol-Myers Squibb and Cambridge BioScience.

Hauser ended the year, however, with a net loss of $127,504 or 4 cents per share compared to a net profit of $80,215 or 3 cents per share in fiscal 1989. The net loss at year end was due to the recognition of losses sustained in natural product processing as a result of contaminated process chemicals received from a supplier. The company has filed a claim against the supplier for $188,000 in out-of-pocket costs and lost revenues. Because the claim was unresolved at year end, Hauser was required to recognize the costs of the contamination. Had full recovery of this claim been received by Hauser, the company would have shown a net profit for the fiscal year.

"Efforts during the year were directed at bringing on line Hauser's new vanilla extract and products for Bristol-Myers Squibb and Cambridge BioScience," said Dr. Dean Stull, chairman and CEO of Hauser Chemical Research, "We began to see those efforts pay off in the fourth quarter, and we expect the first quarter of fiscal 1991 to reflect a continuation of the strong fourth quarter results." Dr. Stull also pointed out that when an agreement is reached on the claim against the supplier, cost reimbursements will be booked to fiscal 1991. "During the year we have built solid relationships with top quality companies, such as Bristol-Myers and Fries & Fries, that represent a variety of product areas. With these relationships in place, 1991 looks very bright for the company," Stull said.

Hauser Chemical Research is a chemical and engineering technology company encompassing chemical research and chemical analysis, engineering services petroleum testing, and isolation and purification of high-value products and chemicals from natural sources. It is one of only a few companies nationwide applying chemical process technologies to the broader field of biotechnology with a special emphasis on natural products. Hauser Chemical Research has developed proprietary chemical technologies that enable it to isolate and purify extracts and natural compounds at a high-quality level and a lower cost than competing technologies. The company processes materials for clients producing pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, nutrients, and other high-value products. Its service and

research activities encompass the general field of organic and inorganic chemistry with special expertise in process and product development, synthesis, surface modification, chemcial analysis, environmental analysis industrial problem solving, product formulation, material testing, engineering services, and forensic investigations.

CONTACT: Dr. Dean P. Stull or William E. Paukert both of Hauser Chemical Research Inc., 303-530-4750

-30- 3679

#90228p6267 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Apco Argentina Inc. has declared a third-quarter dividend on the company's ordinary stock of 21 cents ($.21) per share. The previous second- quarter dividend amounted to 15 cents ($.15) per share.

The third-quarter dividend is payable on Oct. 5, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 21, 1990.

Apco Argentina Inc is engaged in joint ventures in oil and gas exploration production and development in Argentina.

CONTACT: Tom Bueno of Apco Argentina, 918-588-2164.

-30- 733

#90228p6269 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROSEMEAD, Calif. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern California Edison's board of directors today declared the regular quarterly dividend of 0.27 cents per share on the 4.32 percent series of cumulative preferred stock.

The board also declared dividends on four series of $100 cumulative preferred stock: $1.95 on the 7.80 percent series, $2.135 on the 8.54 percent series, $2.175 on the 8.70 percent series and $2.175 on the 8.70 percent series-A.

Each of the dividends is payable Sept. 30 to shareholders of record on Sept. 5.

CONTACT: Melanie Savage of Southern California Edison, 818-302-2255

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WILKES-BARRE, PA. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of First Eastern Corp. (NASDAQ: FEBC) declared a regular quarterly dividend of 28 cents per share at their August board meeting (Aug. 15) in Wilkes- Barre.

Richard M. Ross Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, said the dividend is payable Oct. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record Sept. 5. The ex-date of this dividend is Aug. 29.

First Eastern Corp. is a multibank holding company, the parent firm of First Eastern Bank, N.A. and Peoples First National Bank and Trust Co., Hazleton, Pa., which have a total of 64 banking offices throughout a nine-county region of northeast Pennsylvania.

The company reported second quarter earnings per share of 65 cents, an increase of 18 percent over 55 cents reported the previous quarter, but 19 percent lower than the comparable 1989 period. First Eastern Corp. reported assets in excess of $2.9 billion at mid-year.

CONTACT: Bernard F. Slusarz, secretary of First Eastern Corp., 717-826-4623

-30- 1170

#90228p6275 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Regal International Inc. (NYSE: RGL) today reported an operating profit of $212,000 and a net income of $9,000 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990. This is the first time that the company has reported two consecutive profitable quarters in over seven years. For the first six months of 1990, the net income of $375,000 is 2.6 cents per share on 14,524,000 shares outstanding. This compares with a net loss of $671,000 for the same quarter last year and a loss of $1,242,000 for the first six months of last year. Ruben Aragon, Regal's chairman, stated that the $1.5 million turnaround in earnings for the first six months is attributable to increased sales of the company's core products, better pricing, reduction in administrative costs, decreased selling expenses, and management's cost containment efforts.

Revenues from continuing operations for the second quarter of 1990 of $2,438,000 were $181,000 higher that the same period of 1989. Increased revenues in oilfield and marine products were recorded as well as continued improvement in highway products revenues.

The company expects continued improvement and management thinks that the recent price increases caused by the Middle East situation will positively affect the company for the remainder of the year. Additionally, this week the company will be closing its settlement of all litigation with the Environmental Protection Agency which had adversely effected the company's financing prospects. This settlement, which will be primarily funded by the company's insurance companies, completely releases the company from all actual and contingent liabilities related to this EPA litigation.

CONTACT: Ruben Aragon of Regal International Inc., 713-445-7700

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#90228p6279 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKWOOD, PA. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Rockwood Holding Co. today reported results for the three-month and six-months periods ended June 30, 1990.

As reported in its Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported a consolidated net loss of $1,422,000, or $0.36 per share, vs. a net loss of $7,202,000, or $1.79 per share, for the corresponding period last year. For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported a consolidated net loss of $1,074,000, or $0.27 per share, compared with a net loss of $4,787,000, or $1.18 per share, for the second quarter of 1989.

As previously announced, Rockwood Holding Co. and Constance Foster, insurance commissioner of Pennsylvania, jointly submitted to the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania a Petition and Plan for the Rehabilitation of Rockwood Insurance Co. (RIC), on July 20, 1990. In response to the Petition for Rehabilitation, RIC was ordered into Rehabilitation by the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania on July 27, 1990. As a result of the Order of Rehabilitation, the company has recorded losses from RIC under "discontinued insurance operations in rehabilitation" in its consolidated financial statements.

The company recognized in the first six months of 1990 a loss from discontinued insurance operations in rehabilitation of $1,398,000 or $0.35 per share, vs. a loss of $7,174,000, or $1.78 per share, for the corresponding period last year. For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the company recognized a loss from discontinued insurance operations in rehabilitation of $1,086,000, or $0.27 per share, compared with a loss of $4,717,000, or $1.16 per share, from discountinued insurance operations in rehabilitation for the second quarter of 1989.

The company recognized a loss from continuing operations of $24,000, or $0.01 per share, for the first half of 1990, vs. a loss from continuing operations of $246,000, or $0.06 per share, for the corresponding period last year. For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the company recognized income from continuing operations of $12,000, or $0.00 per share, compared with a loss of $72,000, or $0.02 per share, from continuing operations for the second quarter of 1989.

Revenues from continuing operations for the first six months of 1990 were $99,000 compared to revenues from continuing operations of $101,000 for the first half of 1989. Revenues from continuing operations for the three months ended June 30, 1990, were $61,000 vs. revenues from continuing operations of $46,000 for the second quarter of 1989.

Rockwood Insurance Company of Indiana (RIND), a wholly owned subsidiary of RIC, is not affected by the Order of Rehabilitation. RIND will continue to transact business under the direction of its current management.

RIND recently reported in statutory financial statements filed with the Indiana and Pennsylvania Insurance Departments for the six months ended June 30, 1990, statutory net income before federal income taxes of $2,120,810, vs. statutory net income before federal income taxes of $1,477,014 for the corresponding period last year.

RIND is a party to a tax sharing agreement with RIC and Rockwood Holding Co., effective Jan. 1, 1990, under which members of the group will reimburse RIC for federal income tax net operating loss carryforwards used by each company, and previously generated by RIC. RIND has recorded a federal tax expense of $721,075 in its statutory financial statements for the period ended June 30, 1990, which is payable to RIC under the tax sharing agreement. There was no federal income tax expense recorded by RIND for the corresponding period of 1989.

RIND's statutory net income after taxes for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $1,399,735, vs. statutory net income after taxes of $1,477,014 for the corresponding period last year.

RIND's statutory surplus as regards policyholders was $11,911,297, at June 30, 1990, compared to $10,594,829 at Dec. 31, 1989.

ROCKWOOD HOLDING CO.
Condensed Financial Information

Period	Three Months		Six Months	
Ended June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$61,000	$46,000	$99,000	$101,000
Income (loss) from cont. operations	12,000	(72,000)	(24,000)	(246,000)
Loss from dicontinued insurance operations in rehabilitation	(1,086,000)	(4,717,000)	(1,398,000)	(7,174,000)
Net loss	(1,074,000)	(4,787,000)	(1,422,000)	(7,202,000)
Net loss per share	$(0.27)	$(1.18)	$(0.36)	$(1.79)
Average number of shares outstand.	3,999,032	4,044,032	3,999,032	4,024,809

CONTACT: Bruce M. Eckert, chief executive officer of Rockwood Holding Co.
814-926-4661

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#90228p6281 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - On Aug. 3, 1990, the Philippine subsidiaries of VAALCO Energy Inc., commenced a lifting of crude oil from the following producing fields:

	BARRELS	UNIT PRICE
North Matinloc	57,403	$22.52
Matinloc	29,442	$22.63
Cadlao	37,228	$23.14

The $2,820,588 proceeds from the lifting represent an average increase over the previous May 13, 1990, lifting of $5.46 per barrel.

CONTACT: Jarrel D. Branson, President of Vaalco Energy Inc., 713-963-8869.

-30- 780

#90228p6288 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - II-VI Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: IIVI) today reported earnings for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Net earnings for the period were $1,004,000 ($0.38 per share) on revenues of $15,057,000. These results compare with net earnings of $1,670,000 ($0.63 per share) on revenues of $13,894,000 in fiscal 1989. Bookings for the current year increased 5 percent to $15,035,000 vs. $14,330,000 a year ago.

A number of factors affected results for the current fiscal period. While II-VI experienced lower orders and shipments to the military and domestic commercial markets compared to the previous year, especially in the second half of the fiscal year, increased sales to international, industrial laser original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) resulted in a net increase in revenues for the fiscal year. Lower sales of high margin infrared materials to the military market, however, contributed to lower gross margins. In addition, the withdrawal of a major competitor in the infrared materials market has softened the price of zinc selenide while its remaining inventories are being depleted. Finally, although the Singapore facility operated above breakeven in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, the start-up of that operation reduced full year earnings by approximately $0.12 per share.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, II-VI reported net earnings of $150,000 ($0.06 per share) on revenues of $3,656,000. This compares with net earnings of $388,000 ($0.15 per share) on revenues of $3,599,000 for the same quarter last year. Bookings in the current quarter decreased 3 percent to $3,327,000 vs. $3,412,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Revenues in the current quarter as compared to last year's fourth quarter continued to reflect lower domestic shipments with declines coming

primarily from the military and medical laser OEM markets. Lower gross margins in the infrared materials area, increased corporate overhead and lower net interest income were the primary contributors to lower earnings for the quarter compared to the same period last year.

Headquartered in Saxonburg, Pa., II-VI Inc. designs, manufactures and markets optical and electro-optical components and materials for precision use in infrared devices. The company's products are used in high-power lasers for industrial processing, lasers for surgery and other medical applications and military sensing systems.

CONTACT: John M. Sherbin II, chief financial officer of II-VI Inc., 412-352-4455

-30- 2718

#90228p6291 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Academy Insurance Group Inc. (NASDAQ: ACIG) announced today that certain large shareholders and members of management owning in the aggregate approximately 50 percent of the outstanding common shares of the company ("Investor Group") have advised the company's board of directors that they are prepared to acquire the balance of the outstanding shares in a "cash out" merger at a price to be negotiated which approximates the company's book value.

A special committee of directors will review this overture. Presently, no negotiations or discussions concerning this overture are underway. At the request of the special committee, the board confirmed the authority of the special committee to retain its own counsel and investment advisor to assist it in reviewing this overture and other alternatives, including any offers to acquire the company which may arise.

The company also announced the resignation of John S.D. Eisenhower as a member of its board of directors and from his other positions with the company and its subsidiaries, including his membership on the special committee. Eisenhower has served in numerous capacities with the company since 1972.

Academy Insurance Group Inc. is an insurance and financial services company that provides life, health and property/casualty products to specialty or "niche" markets. The company's primary market is noncommissioned and petty officers and their families. Academy's products are endorsed by the Non Commissioned Officers Association (NCOA).

CONTACT: Gary Jenkins of Academy Insurance, 404-698-7145

-30- 1767

#90228p6294 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Seals and Crofts, whose tight harmonies and airy melodies produced a series of Top 40 hits in the 1970s, will reunite in New York on Wednesday, Aug. 22, to help celebrate the presentation of the 1990 Albert Schweitzer Humanitarian Award.

The musical duo is currently working on a new album. Several new songs will be presented when Prince Alfred of Liechtenstein, a descendent of the Hapsburg royal family and founder of the Vienna Academy for the Study of the Future, receives the 1990 Schweitzer Award at St. Bartholomew's Church.

The award, which has been presented in recent years to such figures as His Holiness The Dalai Lama, South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Costa Rican President Oscar Arias Sanchez, will honor Prince Alfred's work in founding the Vienna Academy, a private, postgraduate institute that uses an interdisciplinary environment to develop innovative approaches to international problems.

Given by the Human Behavior Foundation, the award presentation will lead off a two-day international conference on Dr. Albert Schweitzer at the United Nations, scheduled for Aug. 23 and 24.

"Prince Alfred, because of the creativity and energy with which he is approaching the problems of our rapidly changing world, represents a new model for humanitarian action," said Dr. Albert Crum, chairman of the Human Behavior Foundation, which supports organizations that work towards human betterment and understanding.

Jimmy Seals and Dash Crofts, who are known as Seals and Crofts, are perhaps best known for their hit songs "Summer Breeze" and "Diamond Girl."

The ceremony begins at 7 p.m., and attendance is free. St. Bartholomew's Church is located at 109 East 50th Street.

CONTACT: Hugh Locke or Marisol Massey of the Human Behavior Foundation, 212-486-0560

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#90228p6296 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD BEACH, FLA. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - CheckRobot Inc. (NASDAQ: CKRB) announced today that it has entered into a credit facility for $2.5 million which will be funded through OmniCorp Holdings, Inc., a New York-based investment and financial services group and a subsidiary of CheckRobot's largest stockholder OmniCorp International BV.

The credit facility matures in May 1992. Repayment to OmniCorp is secured by the assets and properties of CheckRobot including the company's

holdings in Advanced Promotional Technologies, Inc. In consideration for extending the loan, OmniCorp received five-year warrants to purchase 1,000,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of $2.50 per share and five-year warrants to purchase 2,500,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of $1.00 per share. CheckRobot is also exploring additional financing possibilities.

As a result of the funding, OmniCorp beneficially owns 55 percent of the common stock of CheckRobot. CheckRobot has elected four additional directors designated by OmniCorp giving OmniCorp majority representation on its board with six out of a total of eleven members.

CheckRobot, a leading developer and marketer of automated checkout machines (ACMs)(R) for supermarkets and other retail outlets, plans to use the loan proceeds for production and increased rollout of its systems.

Using enhanced laser bar-code scanners and a proprietary merchandise security system, the ACM improves customer service and profitability for the supermarket industry by allowing shoppers to quickly scan and check out merchandise before paying centrally located cashiers.

OmniCorp is a subsidiary of Omni Holding AG, a Swiss listed investment and financial services group headed by Swiss investor Werner K. Rey. Omni's investment portfolio includes such diverse companies as the Switzerland-based Adia S.A, and in the U.S., Norment Industries, a manufacturer of high technology systems, Com Systems Inc., a regional long distance carrier, and American Health Services Corp., a developer of medical diagnostic imaging centers.

CONTACT: Raina Grossman or Jackie Markham of Markham/Novell Communications, 212-687-1765 for CheckRobot

-30- 2422

#90228p6297 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROMULUS, MI (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Kelsey-Hayes Group is setting into motion a plan aimed at solidifying and expanding its position as the world leader in the production of anti-lock braking systems (ABS) and other advanced automotive components.

The company is expanding its research and development operation, more than doubling capacity at one of two plants producing its new EBC-IV(TM) four-wheel ABS and beginning a search process that will ultimately bring on board approximately 60 engineering and technical support personnel.

According to an independent research report published by a leading industry publication, the Kelsey-Hayes Group held a 55.3-percent share of the 1989 ABS worldwide market. The company sold 2.8 million sets in 1989

and projects sales of 3.8 million sets for 1990. R&D Facility Expansion

The $1.65 million expansion that will double the size of the company's Research and Development Center located in Ann Arbor, Mich., is scheduled to be completed by spring 1991. The expansion will be the first since the construction of the center in 1969.

The expansion will triple the size of the current electronic and software development laboratory and allow installation of a vehicle chassis dynamometer room, several large environmental chambers, and additional lab capabilities that will shorten cycle development time of advanced traction control and ABS systems.

According to Robert W. Sullivan, vice president, Research and Development, the expansion is an outgrowth of the company's commitment to advanced systems.

The sixty additional engineers and technical support staff personnel will largely support the increased operations at both the R&D facility and the group's engineering department located at the company's headquarters in Romulus. Part of the new technical staff will be dedicated to strengthening Kelsey-Hayes Group engineering capabilities in Europe and the Asia-Pacific region. Fenton Expansion

Kelsey-Hayes Group is a major supplier of brakes, anti-lock brake systems, electrical control devices and steel and aluminum wheels for the automotive industry worldwide. Kelsey-Hayes Group is a business of Varity Corporation (NYSE: VAT).

CONTACT: Tony Petrucci or Gordon Cole of Anthony M. Franco, Inc., 313-567-2300, for Kelsey-Hayes Group.

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#90228p6298 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

GUADALAJARA, Jalisco (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Comcel, a multi-national consortium of companies that includes BellSouth Corp. (NYSE: BLS), has begun providing cellular telephone service in Guadalajara and the western region of Mexico.

It is the first time cellular service has been available in the region, which includes the states of Jalisco, Nayarit, Michoacan and Colima. Comcel expects to spend more than US $100 million to develop the system and anticipates having more than 265,000 customers by the end of the 20-year license.

The BellSouth consortium is the first of the seven consortiums awarded licenses by the Mexican government earlier this year to initiate service

in its operating territory. BellSouth helped establish the new company, built the new cellular network and started providing service in less than 60 days.

"One word explains how we got the system up and running so quickly: experience," said Charles B. Coe, president of BellSouth International. "With over 500,000 cellular customers worldwide, BellSouth knows how to build, operate and manage cellular systems."

BellSouth has a 28 percent interest in Comcel. Other companies in the consortium include Racal plc; Sociedad Industrial Hermes, a Mexican steel manufacturer; Fabricas del Calzado Canada, the largest producer of shoes in Mexico; and several other Mexico-based companies.

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#90228p6302 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

PONTIAC, MI (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - First Federal Savings Bank and Trust (FFSBT) announced today that it has agreed to accept $3.5 million in settlement of all claims against Lawyers Title Insurance Company (LTIC) which had insured FFSBT on a fraudulent $6.5 million loan.

As part of the settlement, LTIC has agreed to dismiss all claims against the bank and its officers. The announcement was made by Leo D. Ottoni, FFSBT and parent First Federal Bancorp (AMEX: FFS) (FFB) president and CEO. The $3.5 million recovered from LTIC exceeds by $500,000 the remaining principal amount of the loan that had not yet been recovered.

"This settlement allows us to fulfill a promise we originally made to our shareholders that FFSBT would recover the full amount of this loan," Ottoni said. "That promise has now been kept."

"We are delighted to bring this matter to a final close," Ottoni said. FFSBT had countersued LTIC to force it to honor its insurance policy to FFSBT against fraud on the loan. FFSBT had already recovered $3.5 million from an insurance company in which part of the loan proceeds had been invested.

Henry Leo Ewald, of Farmington Hills, Mich., subsequently pleaded guilty in Federal Court that he obtained the loan based on forged documents showing he owned a Westland apartment complex. LTIC had tried to deny its title insurance coverage on the loan.

FFSBT, headquartered in Pontiac, is the fifth largest thrift institution in Michigan. FFSBT has 28 branches in six southeastern Michigan counties and employs approximately 400 people. Citizens Federal Savings Bank (CFSB)

has four branches in Jacksonville, Fla.

Both FFSBT and CFSB are members of the Federal Home Loan Bank System and their deposits are insured up to the applicable limits by the FDIC. FFB had total assets of $1.4 billion as of March 31, 1990.

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#90228p6304 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Penn Treaty American Corp. (NASDAQ: PTAC) today elaborated on its reported earnings for the second quarter and the six months ended June 30, 1990, of $.42 and $.87 per share respectively.

Although such earnings were up from $.40 and $.82 per share, respectively, over the prior year, the company stated that they are nevertheless somewhat disappointing as they reflect a slight decrease from first quarter earnings of $.45 and are below published estimates by security analysts who follow the company. The company explained that the results for the second quarter continue to reflect an increase in the loss ratio and additional reserving primarily attributable to the company's Medicare Supplement products sold in Florida at the end of 1989 and the first quarter of 1990. Irving Levit, president of the company stated: "In response to competitive conditions in the State of Florida, in August of 1989 and again in December of 1989, the company introduced new Medicare Supplement products in Florida. In hindsight, these new products were underpriced. In response, the company implemented several measures early in 1990 which reduced the proportion of Medicare Supplement business written relative to new long term care business, which has been and continues to be the company's primary focus. In addition, the company obtained a rate increase from the State of Florida late in July 1990 for such products and for a new Medicare Supplement product. The new rate increases are in the process of being implemented and their effects have not yet been felt, however, we believe they will serve to alleviate this problem. Management remains optimistic about the company's continued expansion and growth and confident about the company's year end results."

Penn Treaty American Corp., through its wholly owned direct and indirect subsidiaries, Penn Treaty Life Insurance Co., Network America Life Insurance Co. and Cher-Britt Service Co., is primarily engaged in the underwriting, marketing and sale of individual fixed defined benefit accident and health insurance policies covering principally long-term skilled, intermediate and custodial nursing home care and home health care as well as Medicare Supplement policies. The company is currently licensed to conduct business in 43 states and the District of Columbia.

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#90228p6309 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEARWATER, FLA. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Fortune Financial Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: FORF) has named C. Ray Lee III as vice chairman. He will report to Rausey W. Mason, president and chief executive officer, and will be involved in customer relations and community affairs. Lee, 48, has been a Fortune Financial Group director for seven years.

Lee was employed by Fortune Savings Bank, the principal subsidiary of Fortune Financial Group, from 1971 through 1983 and held the title of senior vice president, consumer banking.

Lee, who has 19 years experience in banking, is a 1968 graduate of Florida State University. He is the owner and president of Clearwater Cornerstone Investments, Inc.

A Belleair resident, he is married and has three children.

CONTACT: Tom Myers of Fortune Financial Group, Inc., 813-538-1114

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#90228p6310 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Exxon Corporation (NYSE: XON) announced today that it has filed a petition in the United States Tax Court challenging a claim by the Internal Revenue Service for additional federal income taxes in the amount of $6.5 billion for the years 1980-1982.

The key issue underlying the $6.5 billion claim for additional taxes arises from an IRS interpretation contending that Exxon should have sold Saudi Arabian crude oil at higher prices than it did, and therefore should pay additional taxes of $1.5 billion.

The tax period under question followed the Iranian Revolution and was marked by high demand for crude oil, escalating prices and by efforts of Saudi Arabia to moderate prices.

"Exxon believes that the IRS action is totally unwarranted," said Lawrence G. Rawl, chairman and chief executive officer of Exxon Corporation. "The timing of this issue is particularly ironic," continued Rawl, "as we are currently experiencing the type of disruptive environment that occurred during 1979-1982. Today, oil companies are being asked to moderate prices by the U.S. government.

"During the 1979-82 period, the U.S. government went to great lengths to persuade Saudi Arabia to moderate its crude prices. During that time frame, we complied with the Saudi Arabian crude oil purchase condition requiring us to sell Saudi crude oil at prices established by the Saudi Arabian Government which were lower than those of other producers.

"Now, the IRS is in effect asserting that we should have ignored that directive, an action that would have generally resulted in consumers paying higher prices."

"The IRS claim regarding the Saudi Arabian oil pricing adjustment defies all reason and logic," said William D. O'Brien, vice president and general tax counsel for Exxon.

"The IRS completely ignores that Saudi Arabia's policy of price moderation in the late 1970s and early 1980s required Exxon to buy and sell Saudi crude oil at the same prices established by the Saudi Arabian government.

"As we have pointed out to the IRS, over and over again, the Saudi Arabian Government would have reduced its supplies to us if we had violated their directive to sell at the lower prices. Saudi Arabia's moderating influence on worldwide petroleum prices was encouraged and supported not only by the U.S. government but by many other governments in the world as well," stated O'Brien.

CONTACT: Exxon public relations, (212) 333-6207, -6208, -6209 or -6210.

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#90228p6315 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today reported its U.S. assembly plants' schedule for the week of Aug. 20. Newark (Del.) Assembly Plant will operate two nine-hour daily shifts next week.

The company reported that its Belvidere (Ill.), Sterling Heights (Mich.), Toledo (Ohio), and Dodge City/Warren Truck assembly plants will operate two eight-hour daily shifts next week.

St. Louis I (Fenton, Mo.) Assembly Plant will operate a single eight-hour daily shift next week. As previously reported, St. Louis II (Fenton) will not operate next week due to model changeover. The plant will resume production the week of Aug. 27.

CONTACT: Alan Miller or Scott Fosgard of Chrysler Corporation, (313) 956-2894.

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#90228p6317 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

VAN NUYS, CALIF. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Electro Rent Corp. (NASDAQ: ELRC) today announced operating results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended May 31, 1990. On a per share basis, net income for the quarter was unchanged from the prior year while for the year as a whole it was modestly below the fiscal 1989 level.

Net income for the quarter totaled $1,846,000, equal to 44 cents per share compared with $1,833,000 or 44 cents per share a year ago. Fourth quarter revenues were $26,721,000, as against $28,616,000 in the prior year quarter.

For the year, net income was $7,027,000, equal to $1.68 per share versus $7,936,000 or $1.74 per share in fiscal 1989. Revenues for fiscal 1990 were $107,552,000, compared with $114,504,000 last year.

There were 4,192,000 average shares outstanding in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 and 4,189,000 in the fiscal 1989 period. Average shares outstanding in fiscal 1990 were 4,192,000, compared with 4,574,000 in fiscal 1989.

Daniel Greenberg, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: "We were pleased to be able to report earnings per share which were very similar to those of fiscal 1989. Industry conditions were soft and uncertain. As anticipated, we achieved some improvement in rental revenues while leases remain unchanged. However, the year was atypical in that for the first time in years used equipment sales declined sharply, reflecting uncertainties related to defense spending.

"However, we were successful in conserving our assets, keeping expenses under tight rein and employing our strong cash flow to make appropriate equipment purchases and reduce debt. In spite of lower revenues in the fourth quarter, profits were comparable to the prior year's due to continued successful cost reductions, and we expect further benefits from these efforts in the current fiscal year.

"Our financial strength represents a solid platform for our future growth. In this regard, workstations and personal computers represent an exciting opportunity for the company. We must expand our product lines and customer base, cultivate more rapidly growing markets and invest our money where the action is and will be. In this way, we can build a larger, more broadly-based and even stronger company."

Electro Rent Corp. is one of the largest nationwide organizations devoted to the short-term rental and leasing of general purpose and telecommunications electronic test equipment, personal computers and engineering workstations.

CONTACT: John Foley of The Foristall Company, 213-626-4524, for Electro Rent Corp.

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#90228p6322 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MATTHEWS, N.C. (AUG.16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Family Dollar Stores, Inc. (NYSE: FDO), declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on the Company's common stock of $.10 per share, payable October 15, 1990, to holders of record at the close of business on September 17, 1990.

Family Dollar Stores, Inc., operates a discount store chain of 1,672 stores in a 27-state area ranging as far north as Wisconsin, east to New York, south to Florida and west to Texas. The Company expects to have approximately 1,680 stores in operation by the end of its fiscal year on August 31, 1990.

CONTACT: George R. Mahoney, Jr., Senior Vice President, Family Dollar Stores, Inc., 704-847-6961

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#90228p6326 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Black Hawk Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: BHHI), a Minneapolis-based operating company, reported a loss of $195,840 from continuing operations or $.01 per share for the second quarter which ended June 30, 1990 compared to a loss of $134,129 or $.02 per share for the same period ended June 30, 1989.

On May 31, 1990, Black Hawk completed the sale of its remaining food distribution subsidiary, First Choice Food Distributors, Inc. The sale of this business was treated as discontinued operations for financial reporting purposes. Including both current and discontinued operations, Black Hawk reported a gain of $75,702 or $.01 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 compared to a loss of $202,630 or $.02 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

BLACK HAWK HOLDINGS, INC.

	Three Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Loss from continuing operations	$(195,840)	$(134,129)
Income from discontinued operations	271,542	(115,815)
Extraordinary item	--	47,314
Net income (loss)	75,702	(202,630)
Loss Per Common Share:		
Continuing operations	$(.01)	$(.02)

Discontinued operations	.02	(.01)
Extraordinary item	--	.01
	$.01	$(.02)

	Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Loss from continuing operations	$(259,839)	$(237,649)
Income from discontinued operations	313,823	(244,289)
Extraordinary item	--	47,314
Net income (loss)	53,984	(434,624)
Loss Per Common Share:		
Continuing operations	$(.02)	$(.03)
Discontinued operations	.02	(.03)
Extraordinary item	--	.01
	$-0-	$(.05)

CONTACT: Robyn M. Skoglund of Black Hawk Holdings, 612-371-9650

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#90228p6327 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) today asked the Kansas Corporation Commission to reject the application of Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCP&L)(NYSE: KLT) for approval of KCP&L's acquisition of all classes of the capital stock of KG&E and to deny KCP&L's motion for an expedited hearing and order from the Commission.

In support of its motion to reject the KCP&L filing with the Kansas Corporation Commission, Kansas Gas and Electric Company cited several reasons why the KCP&L request to acquire KG&E shares and merge the two firms should be rejected, including: 1) its view the tender offer is unlawful under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935; 2) the lack of consent by KG&E's board of directors to the filing of KCP&L's application or to the acquisition of KG&E's facilities by KCP&L, in that public policy does not permit the use of Kansas Corporation Commission approval to facilitate the hostile takeover of one public utility by another; and 3) the highly conditional nature of the tender offer, which makes it "virtually impossible" that KCP&L will soon, if ever, acquire KG&E under the terms and conditions set forth in the application to the KCC.

KG&E's filing with the Commission noted that, while KCP&L appears to be exempt from all the provisions of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, except Section 9 (a) (2), that section, in KG&E's opinion, makes KCP&L's tender offer unlawful. KG&E said it has filed a motion for a preliminary injunction on this ground in the United States District Court for the District of Kansas. KG&E has also moved the court for an order requesting the Securities and Exchange Commission to file a friend of

the court brief.

Section 9 (a) (2) of the Holding Company Act makes it unlawful for any person to acquire five percent or more of the voting securities of one public utility company absent prior approval by the SEC if that person already owns five percent or more of the voting securities of another public utility company.

Since KCP&L did not, at the time it commenced its tender offer on July 23, 1990, seek SEC approval or condition its tender offer on obtaining such approval, KG&E believes its application before the Kansas Corporation Commission should not be allowed to proceed. KG&E said that violation of the Act "is per se detrimental to the public interest and the interest of investors and consumers."

KG&E also said in its filing that the so-called "minimum condition" of the KCP&L tender offer requires that at least 90 percent of the total number of KG&E's shares be tendered.

"In view of the inadequacy of KCP&L's offer and the virtual impossibility of achieving a 90 percent level in the case of a stock as widely held as KG&E's, the minimum condition virtually assures that the tender offer will not be successful," KG&E said.

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#90228p6330 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NESS ZIONA, ISRAEL (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - InterPharm (NASDAQ: IPLLF) today reported net sales of $4,723,084 and net income of $305,704 for the second quarter of 1990. Sales increased by 13 percent and earnings per share increased from 2 cents per share during the second quarter of last year to 5 cents per share during the past quarter.

Net sales for the six months ending June 30, 1990, rose 20.9 percent to $9,444,225, compared with $7,812,758 during the same period in 1989. The accumulated loss for the first six months of 1990 was $95,869 or 2 cents per share, compared with a net income of $235,955 or 4 cents per share for the six months of 1989.

"We improved our second quarter financial results by improving our productivity and by reducing our cost of production for Frone, beta native interferon", said Dr. Yoram Karmon, president and chief executive officer.

Frone, the company's principal product, registered sales of $3.3 million, up 27 percent from $2.6 million recorded during the second quarter of

1989. However continued penetration of the recombinant human growth hormone (hGH) resulted in a drop of natural hGH sales from $1.4 million last year to $1.1 million this quarter.

With the ongoing expansion of the scientific staff and continued construction of the recombinant cytokines pilot plant, during the past three months, InterPharm's R&D expenditures rose to $1,158,711, up 51 percent from $767,061 spent during the corresponding quarter of 1989. "Our focus continues to be the preparation of our recombinant beta interferon for registration and clinical trials worldwide," said Karmon.

Below is a summary of unaudited comparative results. (All amounts are in US dollars.)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net sales	$4,723,084	$4,169,981	$9,444,225	$7,812,758
Operating profit (loss)	526,414	71,010	177,683	137,268
Financial income (expense) net	(110,710)	56,964	(163,552)	98,687
Net income (loss)	305,704	127,974	(95,869)	235,955
Earnings per share	5 cents	2 cents	(2 cents)	4 cents
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	6,237,385	6,237,385	6,237,385	6,237,385

CONTACT: Jonathan Robbins of Ares-Serono for InterPharm Limited, 617-723-1300

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#90228p6331 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - It happened again. After independent testing in which 100 Americans who would consider buying Japanese cars overwhelmingly picked Chrysler products over Honda models, new head-to-head tests were held pitting Chrysler products against Toyota models. And Chrysler products won hands down again ... by an even wider margin.

The results of the tests are being made public in new television and print advertising in the "Advantage: Chrysler" campaign. "This proves even more convincingly that when consumers really compare, our cars are every bit as good as Japanese cars," said John Damoose, Vice President - Marketing for Chrysler Corporation. "We knew it. Our research showed it. Now consumers are saying it."

The latest tests were a direct comparison of the Dodge Shadow/Plymouth

Sundance against a Toyota Tercel Deluxe, and of the Dodge Spirit/Plymouth Acclaim against a Toyota Camry LE.

An independent testing firm asked two groups of 100 American import intenders to evaluate the vehicles. The consumers who participated were not the same people who participated in the earlier tests against Honda models.

Shadow/Sundance were chosen superior to Tercel by an overwhelming 91 to nine count. Of the 100 people who compared Spirit/Acclaim with the Camry, 80 picked the Chrysler products best overall.

Participants in the direct comparison were owners of GM and Ford products, clearly intending an import for their next purchase. They were asked to evaluate the cars but were not told that Chrysler was the test sponsor.

They rode in and drove the cars over a 2.4-mile test route, a mix of freeway and city streets and different road surfaces. They made 33 separate comparisons overall.

Chrysler is scheduling two 30-second TV commercials, which began Wednesday and continue through August on all major networks and cable, and print advertising that begins Monday, Aug. 20, in a wide range of national magazines.

One commercial covers Dodge Shadow/Plymouth Sundance and re-enacts the testing as an announcer explains the tests and gives the results. It closes with the line: "The cars that beat Honda Civic now beat Toyota. Who's next?" The other covers Dodge Spirit/Plymouth Acclaim in a similar manner and closes with the lines: "Can America build better cars than Japan? Check it out."

CONTACT: Tom Jakobowski of Chrysler, (313) 956-2894.

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#90228p6334 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Sage Software Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SGSI) today reported operating results for the first quarter ended July 31 1990.

Compared to the first quarter of a year ago, revenues increased 32 percent from $4.8 million to $6.4 million, net income increased from $150,000 to $201,000, and earnings per share increased from 2 cents to 3 cents.

Kevin J. Burns, Sage's president and chief executive officer, said: "During Q1, demand for our PC-based Desktop Development tools remained strong on a worldwide basis across all sales channels. License fees from

these products grew 87 percent during the quarter and now represent 70 percent of our business."

Sage specializes in software products which enable customers to build information systems faster and more cost effectively. Sage's products operate on IBM Mainframes, PCs and Local Area Networks (LANs). Sage's corporate offices are located at 3200 Tower Oaks Blvd. in Rockville, a suburb of Washington.

SAGE SOFTWARE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Comparative Operating Results
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per share amounts)
Three Months Ended July 31, 1990

	1989/90	Pct. Growth	1990/91
Revenues	$4,817	32	$6,381
Costs and expenses	4,805	29	6,213
Operating income	12	14X	168
Other income	222	(36)	141
Pretax profit	234	32	309
Taxes	84	29	108
Net income	150	34	201
Earnings per share	$0.02	50	$0.03
Shares used for EPS	6,201	8	6,708
Operating margin	0.2 pct.		3 pct.
Pretax margin	5 pct.		5 pct.
Tax rate	36 pct.		35 pct.
Net margin	3 pct.		3 pct.

Selected Balance Sheet Items
(In thousands)

	7/31/90 (Unaudited)	4/30/90
Cash and marketable securities	$6,815	$7,512
Other current assets	10,651	11,690
Total current assets	17,466	19,202
Net PP&E	4,460	4,310
Other assets	13,807	13,669
Total assets	$35,733	$37,181
Current liabilities	$3,612	$5,415
Long-term liabilities	2,032	2,062
Stockholders' equity	30,089	29,704
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$35,733	$37,181

CONTACT: Melody S. Ranelli, vice president and CFO, Sage Software, Inc., 301-230-3210

-30- 3240

#90228p6339 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALISBURY, NC (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Food Lion, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FDLN) is pleased to announce the latest unaudited sales information for the periods ending Aug. 11, 1990 and Aug. 12, 1989 as follows:

Period Ending	Aug. 11, 1990	Aug. 12, 1989	Pct. Increase
4 Weeks	$434,774,327	$367,016,959	18.5 pct.
Year-to-date (32 weeks)	$3,348,325,737	$2,813,980,267	19.0 pct.
Number of Stores	721	614	

As of Aug. 11, 1990, Food Lion, Inc. was operating in ten states, with principal locations in the Southeast. Same store sales increased 3.9 percent for the four weeks and 5.4 percent year-to-date.

CONTACT: Mike Mozingo, Corporate Communications Manager of Food Lion, Inc., 704-633-8250, Ext. 2575.

-30- 912

#90228p6340 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEMPHIS, TENN. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Express Corporation (NYSE: FDX) announced today that average daily volume of express packages and documents for July 1990, increased 12 percent over July 1989. Details are shown in the table below.

	July		Fiscal YTD (2 months)	
	1990	1989	1991	1990
Total volume (000s)	26,559	22,688	53,611	48,079
Operating weekdays	21	20	42	42
Daily volume	1,264,714	1,134,400	1,276,452	1,144,738
Percent change	11.5		11.5	

The company also announced that heavyweight shipments for the month totaled 68.0 million pounds.

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#90228p6343 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NC (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - California has become the fifth state to reach an agreement with Glaxo Inc. that will make the pharmaceutical company's products available to the state's Medicaid program at substantial savings.

"We're obviously pleased that we will be able to expand the availability of Glaxo products to Medicaid patients in California," said Charles A.

Sanders, M.D., chief executive officer of the North Carolina-based Glaxo. "This is a very significant step forward in our effort to help assure equal access to medicines for all patients based on their treatment needs, rather than the method of payment."

In 1989 California's Medicaid program, called Medi-Cal, spent more than $450 million on prescription drugs. Sanders said that in addition to benefiting Medi-Cal patients, the agreement announced today would help the state deal with rising health care costs.

Among the medicines the arrangement makes available to Medi-Cal patients is Zantac (ranitidine), an anti-ulcer medication that is the world's best-selling drug.

The agreement follows similar arrangements between Glaxo and Medicaid programs in Texas, North Carolina, Utah and Idaho. The company has proposed the arrangments to state Medicaid programs across the country.

In an attempt to control costs, some states currently limit reimbursement to those drugs on a prescribed list, called a formulary, which is determined partly on the basis of price. Under Glaxo's plan, Medicaid programs that provide equal access to the company's products would be eligible for the discounts.

The plan offers Glaxo products to the states on terms comparable to those the company makes to other customers that do not take actual possession of the products.

"Like the rest of the nation, we're concerned about the escalating costs of health care. Our agreement with California addresses that concern in a way that benefits the patient as well," Sanders said. He added that therapy decisions based primarily on cost have been shown to lead to less effective treatment and thus add to Medicaid expenses.

"We've often said that pricing policies shouldn't determine how doctors conduct their practices," he added. "We are hopeful that this agreement will build momentum that will lead to all states allowing all pharmaceutical products on their formularies."

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-30- 2643

#90228p6344 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - MEI Diversified Inc. announced today the completion of the transfer of stock ownership of New Dimensions in Medicine, a former unit of Baxter Healthcare Corporation, from LecTec Corporation to MEI.

MEI Diversified Inc. is presently a processor and nationwide distributor of nuts and related snack foods.

CONTACT: James A. Cesario, vice president-controller, (612) 339-8853, of MEI Diversified.

-30- 609

#90228p6348 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

UPPER DARBY, PA. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Bell Savings Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: BSBX), the holding company parent of Bell Savings Bank PaSA, announced today a loss of $10.9 million for the fourth fiscal quarter of 1990 and $23.3 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

An earlier statement released by the company on July 10, 1990, reported the anticipated losses.

The loss of $10.9 million, or $4.36 per share for the fourth fiscal quarter of 1990 is compared to net income of $701,000, or $.28 per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

The loss of $23.3 million, or $9.33 per share for fiscal 1990, is compared to net income of $4.4 million, or $1.74 per share for fiscal 1989.

The fourth quarter loss is primarily the result of a $12.6 million addition to loan and real estate loss reserves and increases in non-accruing assets. Of the $12.6 million addition to loss reserves, $4.3 million was charged to loan loss allowances with $8.3 million relating to real estate operations charged to other operating income. The $12.6 million addition brings the balance of total loss allowances to $26.4 million or 33 percent of non-performing assets at June 30, 1990.

"A significant decline in the real estate market, coupled with more stringent regulatory procedures has resulted in substantial increases in loss provisions," asserted J.M. Gross, chairman and chief executive officer of Bell Savings Holdings Inc. "Accordingly, we have taken significant steps to increase our collection efforts."

"Each piece of real estate is unique and requires its own solution. After careful evaluation, our asset recovery team prepares a detailed action plan outlining appropriate steps to be taken with respect to each classified loan," explained Nathaniel D. Gross, president of Bell Savings Holdings Inc. "As you would expect, finding a viable solution for each loan takes time."

According to Bell's business plan, the company is no longer originating higher risk loans such as real estate investments and land loans. By

placing an emphasis on residential mortgage and consumer loan originations the bank plans to restructure its balance sheet to facilitate its transformation, over time, into a more bank-like community-oriented institution.

"Our goal is to become a dominant force in the retail banking industry," said Dennis J. O'Malley, senior vice president of Retail Banking. "Moving the loan-making decisions back to the branch level is part of our plan to gradually transform each branch into an autonomous entity, well equipped to provide the services and responsiveness our customers need."

On July 27, 1990, Bell submitted its capital plan to the Office of Thrift Supervision outlining steps to bring it into fully phased in capital compliance by 1994, as stipulated by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989. At June 30, 1990, the company did not meet the risk-based capital requirement by $13.5 million, but exceeded both the tangible and core capital requirements.

BELL SAVINGS HOLDINGS INC.
Statement of Earnings

Periods ended	Three months		Twelve months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net interest income	$6,212	$7,407	$28,138	$26,846
Provision for loan losses	4,294	750	20,604	2,500
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	1,918	6,657	7,534	24,346
Other operating income	(6,710)	490	(2,407)	5,652
Other expenses	7,674	5,756	28,528	21,472
Income (loss) before income taxes	(12,466)	1,391	(23,401)	8,526
Income tax expense	(1,554)	690	(66)	4,165
Net income (loss)	(10,912)	701	(23,335)	4,361
Earnings (loss) per share	$(4.36)	$.28	$(9.33)	$1.74

Selected Financial Data
(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

At June 30	1990	1989
Total assets	$924,944	$858,631
Total loans	746,133	678,662
Total liabilities	891,684	802,036
Net worth	33,260	56,595
Book value per share	13.30	22.63

Other Data

Periods ended	Three months		Twelve months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest rate spread (pct.)	3.18	4.01	3.53	4.05
Net yield on interest earning assets (pct.)	2.94	3.93	3.38	4.06
Return on average assets (pct.)	(4.66)	0.34	(2.53)	0.60

Return on average equity (pct.)	NM	5.01	NM	7.97
Average equity to average assets (pct.)	4.34	6.73	5.56	7.49
Ratio of interest earning assets to interest bearing liabilities	0.96x	1.00x	0.96x	1.00x

CONTACT: Christopher L. Phillips, chief financial officer, 215-734-3202, or Amy Hayward, director of investor relations, 215-734-3206, both of Bell Savings Holdings

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OGDEN, Utah (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Thiokol Corp. (NYSE: TKC) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.075 per common share. This dividend is payable Sept. 10, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business Aug. 31, 1990.

Thiokol is a $1.2 billion Utah-based corporation with approximately 11,500 employees at 11 major facilities nationwide. Thiokol is a leader in a broad range of research, high technology, manufacturing and support services. The company is active in areas of solid propulsion systems, ordnance and composite products for the space and defense industries.

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#90228p6354 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDLAND, MI (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dow Chemical Company's (NYSE: DOW) office paper recycling program, now in its fourth month of operation at the company's Midland corporate headquarters and manufacturing facility is conserving annually an estimated 81,000 cubic feet of landfill space, saving 17,000 trees and 4,100,000 kwh of energy.

Under the program, called "PRO" -- Paper Recovery Operation -- each office or workstation is equipped with two waste containers so that employees can separate recyclable paper from the rest of their garbage. The program, which was in the planning stages for two years, began operation April 25 and is one of the first of its kind launched by an American company.

Approximately 96 percent of Dow's 8,600 Midland employees are currently participating in the program. As of Aug. 11, they have recycled 330,730 pounds of office paper. In addition, office paper recycling programs are now under way at several other Dow locations throughout the United States and Canada.

"We are delighted with the response of our people," said Jack J. Giampalmi

program director. "Dow people are finding paper recycling easier than they thought. It doesn't interrupt their work schedule and they feel good about doing something positive for the environment."

In the PRO program, most types of office paper, including letterhead, colored paper, newsletters, computer paper, copy machine paper and even facsimile paper are recyclable. Each area has a designated "recycle coordinator" who is responsible for explaining the program to employees in his or her work area. A recent study showed that contaminants constitute only 0.7 percent of the material placed in PRO receptacles, considered exceptionally high quality for post-consumer waste.

The recyclable material sorted by Dow employees is picked up daily by a local recycling company, Brady Recycling. After shredding, compacting and baling the material, Brady sells it to about 20 secondary fiber mills throughout the Midwest. The mills convert it into rolls of paper which are sold to paper processors who manufacture it into a wide variety of paper products, including facial tissues and toilet paper, paper towels, greeting cards, fast food bags and specialty gift boxes.

Dow is doing its part in helping create a demand for recycled paper by purchasing recycled stock for use in company letterhead, business cards, copier paper and publications. For example, for the first time ever, the company's Annual Report for stockholders this year is printed entirely on recycled paper.

"An important component of our PRO program is not only encouraging our people to recycle, but also to use less paper," said Giampalmi. "About 40 percent of the waste we send to landfills in Michigan is paper. By using less paper and recycling what we do use, we're saving the company money and doing our part to ease the state's solid waste problem."

CONTACT: Dan H. Fellner of Dow Chemical Company, 517-636-5765

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#90228p6355 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Worlco Data Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: WDSI) today reported revenues of $3.4 million for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to $3.0 million for the same quarter last year.

The company reported a net loss of $395,146 or 13 cents a share vs. a net loss of $41,457 or 1 cent a share for the same period in the prior year.

Turnkey systems revenues decreased 42 percent or $412,000 from the same period in the prior year due to the de-emphasis of turnkey systems sales by the company. Data services revenues increased 38 percent or $783,000

over the same period last year due in part to the acquisition of the Grenier Corp. in the third quarter of the 1990 fiscal year. Losses are, in large part, due to the integration of that business. The company said it intends to continue its growth in data services and expects to return to profitability in the current fiscal year.

On July 15, 1990, the company reported a planned infusion of $750,000 by Grumman Hill Investments II L.P. That transaction has been completed.

Worlco Data Systems provides data processing services for the direct marketing and publishing industries.

WORLCO DATA SYSTEMS INC.

First quarter ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$3,415,909	$3,044,513
Net earnings (loss)	(395,146)	(41,457)
Earnings per share	$(.13)	$(.01)

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#90228p6357 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) today requested the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to allow it to intervene as an interested party and to reject the application by Kansas City Power & Light (KCP&L) for approval of its attempt to acquire KG&E through a tender offer for all outstanding shares of KG&E's common and preferred stock.

Kansas Gas and Electric also requested FERC to reject KCP&L's motion for expedited approval and waiver of evidentiary hearing on the proposed merger.

In its filing with FERC, KG&E cited a number of reasons why KCP&L's application should be rejected. KG&E noted that its board of directors has not consented to the filing of KCP&L's application or the acquisition of KG&E's facilities by KCP&L and that Section 203 of the Federal Power Act was never intended to facilitate the hostile takeover of one public utility by another.

KG&E also said that KCP&L's stock tender offer is subject to a number of "significant and fundamental conditions which make it virtually impossible for KCP&L actually to acquire KG&E under the terms and conditions set forth in the Application." In addition, KG&E described KCP&L's application to FERC as "deficient" under FERC regulations.

KG&E said that KCP&L's attempt to acquire KG&E should not be aided or

facilitated in any way by FERC and noted that merging utilities seeking approval from FERC have, until now, reached agreement on all aspects of the merger before submitting to FERC an application that has their joint support.

"Certainly, there is no apparent authority under Section 203 for the Commission to issue substantive orders, or even to establish a proceeding to consider a deficient application, in the absence of an agreement between both sides" to a merger, KG&E said.

Kansas Gas and Electric also said in its filing with FERC that, while contemplated operating benefits from a KCP&L/KG&E merger were not well defined in KCP&L's application, "KCP&L's decision to acquire KG&E by hostile means disrupts all possibilities of further coordination between the two companies during the hostile takeover period and forces both companies to incur millions of dollars for commitment fees, other costs and disbursements for bankers, lawyers and financial consultants."

KG&E believes that KCP&L has incurred or committed to costs and expenses of over $10 million to its hostile tender offer, and KG&E has currently expended or committed to costs and expenses of at least $4.5 million in connection with the tender offer.

CONTACT: Lyle Koerper of Kansas Gas and Electric Company, (316) 261-6207.

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#90228p6358 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - American Realty Trust (NYSE: ARB) today announced operating results for the first quarter ended March 31, 1990.

For the first quarter the trust recorded a net loss of $2.8 million, or 44 cents per share, on revenues of $4 million, compared with a net income of $3.9 million, or 34 cents per share, on revenues of $5.6 million in the first quarter of the prior year. Also in the first quarter of 1990, American Realty Trust recorded provisions for losses of $500,000, compared with no provisions in the first quarter of 1989.

American Realty Trust is a real estate investment trust which primarily invests in mortgage loans, real estate and real estate- related entities.

AMERICAN REALTY TRUST
Financial Highlights
(in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	For the three months ended March 31,	
	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$ 4,012	$ 5,611

Net Income (Loss)	(2,772)	3,864
Per Share	(0.44)	0.34
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	6,355,561	10,863,348

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#90228p6362 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Oxboro Medical International, Inc. announced today that the Ham Lake Local Development Corporation, in conjunction with the City of Ham Lake, Minn., has authorized a grant to the company in the amount of $30,000 in connection with the company's proposed relocation to the Bunker Lake Commercial Park.

Receipt of the grant by the company is conditioned upon the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy for a building to be constructed in the Commercial Park. The company is currently negotiating the purchase of property on which to construct the building.

Oxboro Medical International, Inc. is a Minneapolis-based holding company whose wholly owned subsidiary, Oxboro Medical, Inc. is in the business of developing, assembling, and selling medical and surgical devices.

CONTACT: Oxboro Medical International, Inc., (612) 884-7831.

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#90228p6371 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

UPPER SADDLE RIVER, N.J. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Corporation (NYSE: WU) announced today that it has obtained the required approvals of all classes of Western Union shareholders for the reclassifcation of Western Union Class A senior preferred shares and Class B convertible preferred shares into common shares. Shareholders voted on this and other agenda items at the company's 1990 stockholders' meeting, which was re-convened and concluded today in Montvale, N.J.

The reclassification of preferred shares into common shares is a key component of Western Union's proposed recapitalization plan. That plan also includes an exchange offer, in which Western Union is proposing to issue new notes and common shares in exchange for up to $530 million of its presently outstanding 19-1/4 percent senior secured notes and 16 percent notes. The company announced yesterday that it has extended the period of its exchange offer to 12 midnight on Monday, Aug. 20, 1990.

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-30- 1240

#90228p6379 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Jack E. Thompson, president of North American Metals Corp. (''NAM''), announced today that gold production at the 50 percent owned Golden Bear operation will be reduced by approximately 50 percent for the next 90 days. Failure of a key component in the plant's roaster will result in the processing of lower grade oxide ores while evaluation of possible solutions and subsequent repairs takes place.

A team of engineers is assessing the problem and evaluating alternative solutions. The problem was discovered during a routine inspection following a three-week period of relatively trouble free operation. Manufacture representatives are on site to assist in the evaluation and repair process.

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-30- 1065

#90228p6382 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - QuesTech, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: QTEC) reported revenues of $12.7 million for the second quarter of 1990, a 7 percent decrease over revenues of $13.7 million for the same quarter last year.

The decrease in revenues was offset by an 8 percent reduction in operating costs, causing net profit to rise, to $84,600, which is a 367 percent increase over the profit of $18,100 posted for the same quarter in 1989. No gain or loss was recognized from discontinued operations during the second quarter. A net profit in the amount of $143,200 was posted for the six months ended June 30, 1990, a significant improvement from the (restated) loss in the amount of $715,800, for the same period last year. The turnaround in financial results can be characterized by a staff reduction of approximately 200 employees, and a restructured employee benefit program.

Commenting on these operating results, President and Chief Executive Officer Vincent L. Salvatori said: "Our profitability has improved as a result of our concerted efforts to scale back our overhead costs in order to gain an edge over our competition and with the increased success we are enjoying winning competitive procurements. With a cost structure adapted to the size of our business, we have been able to run our operations more efficiently and optimize the financial performance of our contracts, particularly time-and-materials contracts."

Net earnings per share improved by 54 cents from a loss of 45 cents per share for the same quarter in 1989, to a profit of 9 cents per share for the quarter just ended.

QuesTech, Inc., is a diversified, high technology company, providing scientific, engineering, and management services, primarily to clients in the fields of national security, aerospace and industrial modernization.

QUESTECH, INC.
Consolidated Statement of Income
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989 (restated)
Revenues	$12,715,200	$13,707,700
Income (loss) from continuing operations - before taxes	372,100	246,600
Income (loss) from continuing operations - after taxes	84,600	18,100
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	N/A	N/A
Net income (loss)	$84,600	$18,100
Earnings (loss) per share:		
From continuing operations	$0.05	$0.01
From discontinued operations	N/A	N/A
Earnings (loss) per share	$0.05	$0.01
Weighted average number of shares	1,577,762	1,587,003

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989 (restated)
Revenues	$25,617,800	$26,155,700
Income (loss) from continuing operations - before taxes	729,700	(501,200)
Income (loss) from continuing operations - after taxes	143,200	(796,500)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	N/A	80,700
Net income (loss)	$143,200	$(715,800)
Earnings (loss) per share:		
From continuing operations	$0.09	($0.50)
From discontinued operations	N/A	0.05
Earnings (loss) per share	$0.09	($0.45)
Weighted average number of shares	1,577,762	1,587,003

CONTACT: Vincent L. Salvatori, president and chief executive officer, QuesTech, Inc., 703-760-1005

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#90228p6385 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

OVERLAND PARK, KS (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Amerifax, Inc. (NASDAQ: AFAX, AFAXU and AFAXW), a development stage "rebiller" of telecommunication services, today reported as expected a net loss for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Operating revenues reached $533,112 for the second quarter of 1990 compared to $3,501 for the second quarter of 1989. Operating revenues for the current period were up 190 percent from operating revenues of $282,746 recorded in 1990's opening quarter. The net loss for the quarter was $153,295, or $.03 per share, as compared to a net loss of $137,443, or $.06 per share for the second quarter of 1989. Operating and selling expenses totaled $736,898 in the current period versus $156,076 a year ago. Amerifax realized other income of $50,491 in the second quarter compared to $15,132 a year earlier.

The weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, was 5,370,000 versus 2,224,945 for 1989's comparable period.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, operating revenues totaled $815,857 as compared to $4,972 for the comparable period of the prior year. The net loss was $397,401, or $0.07 per share, as compared to a net loss of $258,875, or $.15 per share, for 1989's first six months. At June 30, 1990, Amerifax provided service to 171 customers as compared with 97 customers at March 31, 1990. (Operating results for the quarter and year-to-date are not comparable to results for the same periods in 1989, due to the company's continuing developmental status).

Amerifax, intent on broadening its base of operations and national presence, has continued to receive state regulatory approvals allowing the company to provide intrastate long distance services. As of June 30, 1990 Amerifax has been authorized to provide intrastate service in 21 states. Moreover, six additional applications are now pending and other applications are being prepared which are consistent with state filing requirements in the remaining jurisdictions. The company is presently authorized to provide interstate service on a nation-wide basis.

Based on a consultant study completed in June 1990, which the company commissioned, the board of directors approved a revised business plan on July 9, 1990. Particular emphasis was placed on a commitment to a full-time internal sales staff. The increased sales staff will be directed to midwestern markets near its corporate offices to enable co-ordination of Amerifax management resources and necessary training. Accordingly, as of Aug. 13, 1990, Amerifax has hired 3 sales personnel on a full-time basis, supplemented by approximately 35 independent

contractors which continue to add customers in areas throughout the country. Moreover, Amerifax has grown to 7 administrative staff to provide a full range of customer service and administrative functions necessary for an ever-increasing customer base. The board of directors, in concert with the consultant study, requested a full analysis, with subsequent modifications already put in place, in its long distance carrier and billing agreements to further guarantee Amerifax's ability to be competitive in the telecommunications industry.

On June 25, 1990, the Securities and Exchange Commission declared effective the company's registration under Section 12(G) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, of the company's units, common stock, redeemable Class A warrants and redeemable Class B warrants.

Amerifax provides telecommunications services for companies and individuals on a membership basis. As a "rebiller" of telecommunications services, Amerifax is a non-facilities-based long distance provider, which acquires such services for its members by contracting directly with a major provider of telecommunications services. Amerifax provides a wide variety of telecommunications services to its members, including low cost "800" service, reduced phone card rate, account codes, "one plus" dialing, international calling, and six second interval billing.

AMERIFAX, INC.
(A Development Stage Company)
(Summary of Operations)
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$533,112	$3,501	$815,857	$4,972
Net income (loss)	(153,295)	(137,443)	(397,401)	(258,875)
EPS (loss)	(.03)	(.06)	(.07)	(.15)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	5,370,000	2,224,945	5,370,000	1,730,221

CONTACT: Howard E. Lubow, chief executive officer of Amerifax, 913-451-0040, or Kerry Thalheim of the Financial Relations Board, 212-661-8030, or (after 7 p.m.) 212-255-3740, for Amerifax

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Exxon Corporation (NYSE: XON) announced today that in connection with the previously announced IRS audit of Exxon's 1982 tax return, the IRS has asserted that the guaranteed deferred interest debentures due in 2012 issued in 1982 by Exxon Shipping Company, a wholly

owned subsidiary of Exxon, in exchange for certain outstanding notes were issued at a substantial original issue discount.

Were that assertion sustained, holders of the notes could be required to include such discount in income over the life of the debentures. At the time of the issue, Exxon received an opinion from outside counsel that there was no original issue discount. The company is defending that position in the United States Tax Court.

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-30- 1007

#90228p6391 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Shell Oil Co. said today that a National Wildlife Federation emissions study released today included out-of-date data involving the company's Norco, La., manufacturing complex. Shell's current 1989 SARA Title III data, filed with the Environmental Protection Agency in early July, reflect substantial reductions from the quantities reported by NWF.

The NWF study, released at a press conference in Washington, included a listing of 1988 emissions data for Shell's Norco complex.

Shell announced on July 24 an 89 percent reduction nationwide in its 1989 total estimated hazardous SARA Title III releases. The company's Norco complex reported at the same time that total releases were reduced 97 percent, from 156 million pounds in 1988 to approximately 5 million pounds in 1989.

"Our current emissions release data demonstrate Shell's commitment to continuous improvement in our environmental performance, and our goal to reduce waste generation and off-site disposal wherever we conduct business " the company said.

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#90228p6393 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Amid concerns of an economic slowdown and tightened lending, a new award program from KPMG Peat Marwick, the international accounting and consulting firm, is providing growing companies with the opportunity to help themselves.

Called the Carolinas Enterprise Initiative (CEI), the program is modeled after a successful program launched by Peat Marwick in England. It is the

only one of its kind in North and South Carolina. The program provides $10,000 worth of business consulting services to small- and middle-market companies judged to have come up with the best plans to grow their businesses. The selection was based on plans describing a company's intent to increase sales by 25 percent and/or add 20 full-time positions in a 12-month period.

"Peat Marwick initiated this program because it recognized that middle market companies are one of the mainstays of the U.S. economy," said Gary Keefe, national director of the firm's middle market practice.

"The CEI program helps smaller businesses succeed by adopting or refining many of the technologies used by bigger companies, in such areas as business planning."

According to Grant Webb, partner in charge of the firm's middle market practice for the Carolinas Business Unit, "The Carolinas are business growth and development oriented. And, as a employer and business in the Carolinas, Peat Marwick recognizes the importance of helping smaller businesses succeed."

The 1989 CEI award winners were Lifejack, Inc., a Charlotte-based manufacturer of fire service equipment and a pioneer in the challenging area of high-rise building fire rescue; Sterilizer Technologies Corporation, a Greensboro-based company that develops and sells sterilizers to hospitals, biological laboratories, and the private industry; Da Vinci Systems Corporation, a Raleigh-based software development company that creates business automation and productivity tools using computers and networks; Check Protect Systems, a South Carolina-based company that provides check recovery services to multi-state and national retail companies; and, Innoland, Inc., a Charlotte-based toy company that develops, buys patent assignments or gains exclusive distribution rights for new toys, games and premiums.

Bob Simms, marketing vice president of Innoland, Inc., said, "We used a portion of the $10,000 of consulting services to write and implement a computer program for processing our largest toy shipment in company history. This enhancement, in addition to other improvements we have made since receiving these consulting services, will make the company's operations more efficient."

Over 450 companies were involved with CEI and over 50 business plans were reviewed by the judges. A business planning workshop, open to both participants and interested individuals, was added to the program as a means of upgrading the quality and fueling interest in submitting a business plan to CEI.

KPMG Peat Marwick provides accounting and auditing, tax, and management

consulting services to leading business organizations, governmental and private institutions, and individuals through 132 offices in the United States. It is the U.S. national practice of KPMG, which has operations in 117 countries and posted 1989 revenues of $4.3 billion.

CONTACT: Claudia Stepke, 201-307-7290 or Christopher Chandonnet, 201-307-7275, both of KPMG Peat Marwick

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#90228p6397 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Ted C. Feigenbaum today was named president and chief executive officer of New Hampshire Yankee, operator of Seabrook Station, effective Oct. 1.

Feigenbaum, presently New Hampshire Yankee's senior vice president and chief operating officer, will replace Edward A. Brown, who is retiring.

Upon recommendation of Seabrook Station's joint-owners, the board of directors of Public Service of New Hampshire (NYSE: PNH) (PSNH) elected Feigenbaum to his new post during its regular meeting. New Hampshire Yankee is a division of PSNH.

"Ted Feigenbaum has the full confidence and backing of all of Seabrook Station's joint-owner utility companies, as well as my total support," said Brown, 60, who is retiring after six years at New Hampshire Yankee. "Ted is an extremely talented and capable leader."

Feigenbaum said he is looking forward to assuming his duties and he praised Brown for his efforts in getting Seabrook Station licensed and operating.

"Seabrook Station is one of the finest power plants in the world in terms of quality construction and quality staff," Feigenbaum said. "Ed Brown deserves tremendous credit for making Seabrook Station a reality. I'm looking forward to building upon Ed's commitment to excellence and quality in the years ahead."

Seabrook Station, which received its federal license in March, is in the final few days of its startup testing program. The plant is operating at 100 percent power, producing 1,150 megawatts of electricity -- enough to supply one million homes.

Feigenbaum, 40, joined New Hampshire Yankee in 1984. He was named senior vice president and chief operating officer in July 1989. Previously, he served as vice president of engineering, licensing and quality programs.

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#90228p6400 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, ORE. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Bancorp (NASDAQ: USBC) Board of Directors today declared a 20 percent common stock dividend payable Sept. 14 to shareholders of record Aug. 27. Shareholders will receive one new share of stock for every five shares held on the record date. Cash will be paid in lieu of fractional shares based on the per share closing sale price on the record date. The stock dividend will increase the outstanding common stock to approximately 60 million shares.

A quarterly cash dividend of 25 cents per share was also declared, payable Oct. 5 to shareholders of record Sept. 17 and will be paid on the shares issued in the stock dividend.

"Maintaining the cash dividend rate of $.25 cents paid on the increased number of shares represents a 20 percent increase in the cash dividend and continues our record of 33 consecutive years of increased cash pay-out to our shareholders," said Roger L. Breezley, chairman and chief executive officer. "Our economic forecast indicates the Northwest will continue to grow but at a slower pace. We remain confident in future earnings prospects for U.S. Bancorp," Breezley added.

U.S. Bancorp is a superregional financial services company headquartered in Portland, Ore. Subsidiaries include Oregon's largest bank, U.S. National Bank of Oregon and Washington's third-largest bank, U.S. Bank of Washington, National Association. Other financial service businesses include U.S. Bancorp Capital Markets, U.S. Bancorp Real Estate Group, Asset Management and Insurance Group and U.S. Bancorp Financial.

CONTACT: Donald F. Bowler, Jr., 503-275-5702; or Kimberly B. Strand, 503-275-5773, both of U.S. Bancorp

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#90228p6402 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHELTON, CONN. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Forschner Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: FSNR), today expressed concern about the continued weakening of the dollar against the Swiss franc and stated that if the exchange ratio remains at or near present levels Forschner's earnings for 1990 may be substantially lower than those reported in 1989.

In July, Forschner reported revenues of $10.7 million for the third quarter of 1990 and net income for the quarter of $502,000. At that time the firm cautioned that although these figures represented increases over comparable 1989 periods, they should not be taken as indicative of

performance for the second half. At that time Forschner stressed that the great preponderance of its products are imported from Switzerland and that the continued weakening of the dollar, despite a hedging program, could adversely affect earnings for 1989.

Forschner noted that since July the dollar has continued to fall. The company also pointed out that, in light of Forschner's significantly reduced hedging position for 1991, the negative impact of the dollar's weakness would be proportionately greater for that year than for 1990.

Forschner is the exclusive United States marketer of Victorinox Original Swiss Army Knives and Victorinox cutlery, other high-quality, Swiss-made products bearing the Swiss Army Brands label, and other imported cutlery for professional and consumer use.

CONTACT: Stanley G. Mortimer of the Forschner Group, 203-929-6391

-30- 1654

#90228p6404 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPOKANE, WASH. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Jalan (OTC: Pink Sheets) President Jan Robinson announced today that negotiations for the acquisition of JMS-II, a jail management computer system, and JMS-II customers of Oregon and California are complete.

"We are very excited," said Robinson. "JMS-II's excellent references were why we decided to pursue this acquisition. We are also pleased that Joe Lawson has joined our staff adding his experience and law enforcement background as well as his technical knowledge to our company."

With the acquisition of JMS-II, Jalan can now provide a jail management software solution for the smallest to the largest jail.

CONTACT: Ken Kohli of Robideaux and Associates, 509-838-1036, for Jalan

-30- 892

#90228p6406 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Vantage Point Energy Inc. announced today a net loss for the second quarter of 1990 of $183,058 ($.13 per share) on revenues of $1,317,011. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the net loss was $99,879 ($.10 per share) on revenues of $2,161,412.

As was previously announced, on May 1, 1990, the company completed the exchange agreement with Sceptre Resources Limited whereby it acquired all of Sceptre's U.S. oil and gas assets. These assets were owned by various wholly owned subsidiaries of Sceptre, which are referred to as the Oakwood

Entities. In addition, the company's predecessor, ZG Energy Corp., was merged into Vantage Point.

When comparing the 1990 financial results to 1989, it should be noted that since voting control of the company was acquired by Sceptre, the transactions have been treated as a purchase of ZG by Sceptre and the Oakwood entities. Therefore, the financial results for periods prior to May 1, 1990 include only the activities of the Oakwood Entities, whereas the results from May 1, 1990 through June 30, 1990 include the financial results of the combined entities.

S. Lee Crawley, president, said, "Although we were pleased to complete this very important transaction on May 1, the company's results for the quarter and the six months have been below our expectations. This has been primarily due to the depressed U.S. gas markets and a substantial decline in oil prices during the second quarter.

Crawley added, "Recently, however, there has been a substantial increase in the price of oil due to the OPEC pricing meeting and the political instability in the Middle East. I expect oil prices to remain higher than second quarter levels and am hopeful that they will lead to higher gas prices. I remain cautiously optimistic that gas is the "fuel of the future" and it will certainly be a key to the company's profitability relative to our recent transaction."

Vantage Point Energy, Inc. is a financially oriented, independent oil and gas company headquartered in Tulsa. Its business involves the acquisition development and production of oil and gas. It also manages properties for other companies and institutions. The company's business plan is to grow through the acquisition of properties and/or companies in exchange for cash and/or securities while continuing to operate and develop existing oil and gas properties.

There are two basic differences between the Oakwood Entities and the company. First, the Oakwood Entities were wholly owned subsidiaries of Sceptre which provided many corporate services, including financing, without charge; whereas Vantage Point is an autonomous, publicly held entity which provides for all of its own corporate services. Second, the ZG Energy properties are principally company-operated, while the Oakwood properties are primarily nonoperated.

OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS
QUARTER AND SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 1990 AND 1989
(Unaudited)

	Quarter		Six Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Oil and Gas Sales	$1,155,657	$ 886,275	$1,974,098	$1,655,394
Other Revenue	161,354	27,405	187,314	211,157

Net Income (Loss)	(183,058)	128,414	(99,879)	329,354
Net Income (Loss) per Common Share	(.13)	.10	(.10)	.25

CONTACT: S. Lee Crawley of Vantage Point Energy Inc., 918-664-2100

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#90228p6407 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Today TSL Inc. (NASDAQ: TSLI) and Regent Enterprises, Inc. and certain affiliates thereof executed an agreement regarding the acquisition by TSL Inc. of at least 80 percent of the outstanding shares of common stock of Regent Enterprises, Inc. in exchange for 49 percent of the total shares outstanding of TSL Inc. after the final closing of the transaction. The execution of the agreement is still subject, among other things, to the approval by the respective board of directors of the parties.

Regent Enterprises, Inc. of Carol Stream, Ill., is a leading manufacturer of flexible packaging with a broadly diversified product line. It manufactures and markets products through its flagship division, Sealcraft which currently employs 140 people.

Based in Denver, Colo., TSL Inc. specializes in anti-tampering technologies of the pharmaceutical, food, cosmetic, security and packaging industries. The company holds patents on some of the most unique tamper-evident systems in the world.

CONTACT: Richard Andolshek of Regent Enterprises, 612-484-9620

-30- 1259

#90228p6409 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Cineplex Odeon Corp. today announced that because negotiations are continuing regarding the sale of 38 theaters in the states of Utah, Idaho, Minnesota, Oregon and Washington by its wholly owned subsidiary, Plitt Theatres Inc., the closing date has been extended.

CONTACT: Jo Mira Clodman of Cineplex Odeon Corp., 416-323-6600

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#90228p6411 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Devices, Inc. (NASDAQ: MDEV) today reported net sales of $6,310,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, up modestly from $6,063,000 in fiscal 1989. Net income came to $239,000 or $.12 per share in fiscal 1990, down from $603,000 or $.29 per share a year ago.

The company attributed its lower earnings to weakness in its core TENS business reflecting increasingly competitive conditions and below- plan orders from national customers, delays in introducing new rehabilitation products, and manufacturing inefficiencies associated with new product start-ups earlier in the year.

Dean A. Enrooth, Medical Devices' president and chief executive officer, said, "Our disappointing performance largely reflects poor execution of our basic business strategy of diversifying into the rapidly growing rehabilitation market and reducing our reliance on the mature pain management field. We remain fully confident in this strategy and have implemented a wide range of corrective measures aimed at strengthening our operations and business execution."

These actions, Enrooth continued, enabled the company to post significantly improved results in the fourth quarter with sales of $1,828,000 and earnings of $136,000 or $.07 per share. The fourth quarter improvement reflected in part a good contribution from new rehabilitation products and a return to normal manufacturing productivity.

Enrooth said Medical Devices should continue to benefit from these factors in fiscal 1991, which is expected to be a year of improved sales and earnings.

Medical Devices is a leading designer and manufacturer of electromedical rehabilitation and pain management products. The company's common stock is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol MDEV.

CONTACT: Dean A. Enrooth of Medical Devices, Inc., 612-631-0590

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#90228p6412 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDEN, CO (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Adolph Coors Co. (NASDAQ: ACCOB) today declared a quarterly dividend of 12-1/2 cents per share, payable Sept. 17, 1990, to shareholders of record Aug. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Dave Dunnewald or Joe Fuentes both of Adolph Coors Co., 303-277-2555, 800-332-3725 (Colorado only)

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#90228p6414 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, OR (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pentagon's Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) confirmed today that it intends to award a prestigious research contract to a subsidiary of Tektronix Inc. (NYSE:

TEK) for development of a new high-definition television display technology, Tektronix said.

Tektronix Federal Systems Inc., a Tek subsidiary, will administer the contract. Terms of the contract were not disclosed by DARPA. The federal contract will help fund development of a promising flat-panel display system for high-definition television (HDTV) called TekVision.

The research is being conducted by Tektronix Laboratories. The contract named Tom Buzak, manager of Tek Labs' Advanced Display Technology Group, as the principal scientist. Potential applications for TekVision include high-resolution data displays for the military and large, wall-size video screens for the commercial market.

"It is the only technology that appears to be economically scaleable to wall-size flat-panel displays," said Tom Long, vice president and general manager of the Technology Group. Tek Labs has developed a seven-inch-diagonal-screen feasability model which displays images of 300 x 300 dots, Long said.

The system is based on a technology Tek calls Plasma-Addressed Liquid Crystal, or PALC. Rather than relying on the use of thousands of transistors to create high-resolution images, TekVision uses ionized gas, or plasma, to control the image.

CONTACT: Doug Babb, 503-627-7336, or Julie Goodrich, 503-627-7343, both of Tektronix Inc.

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#90228p6416 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

TUSTIN, CA (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Everett L. Hodges, president and chief executive officer of Petrominerals Corp. (NASDAQ: PTRO) today announced that the company reported a second quarter loss of $109,000 or ($.01) per share, as compared with a loss of $41,000 or ($.00) for the same period in 1989. During the second quarter, the company experienced a decrease in oil production, with volumes down approximately 14 percent. In addition, the average price of crude decreased 23 percent to $10.59 per barrel, when compared to the average crude price of $12.98 per barrel, for the second quarter of 1989. General and administrative costs were also up 20 percent due to certain legal and consulting fees relating to the review and analysis of on-going business opportunities and the litigation with McFarland Energy Inc. (NASDAQ: MCFE)

Due to the current situation in the Middle East, crude prices have risen dramatically since mid July, with the company realizing an increase of approximately $8.50 per barrel for its heavy crude. If the price of crude stabilizes at the current level, the company's total revenues will be

significantly impacted during the third quarter of 1990.

Revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $1,602,000 as compared with $1,667,000 for the same period in 1989. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $3,426,000 as compared with $3,133,000, for the same period in 1989.

Petrominerals Corp. engages in the exploration, production and marketing of crude oil and natural gas in California and Louisiana. Lunn Production Service, a division of Petrominerals Corp., services and maintains oil and gas wells for a number of major oil companies.

CONTACT: Virginia M. Lazar of Petrominerals, 714-730-5400

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#90228p6418 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - First Commerical Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: FSCB) today announced that its board has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 16 cents per share, to be paid on Oct. 1, 1990. This dividend compares to the last quarterly dividend of 16 cents per share and the quarterly dividend of a year ago of 15 cents per share. The dividend will be payable to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 14, 1990. Total assets for the Alabama-based bank holding company as of June 30, 1990, were $719 million with net income of $3.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

First Commercial Bancshares Inc. operates four banks: First National Bank of Jasper; First Commercial Bank in Birmingham; The Bank of Tuscaloosa; and Sterling Bank in Montgomery, Ala.

CONTACT: Robert M. Couch of First Commerical Bancshares Inc., 205-868-4816

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#90228p6426 08/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Pennzoil Co. (NYSE: PZL) has received a request for additional information from the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act relating to Pennzoil's previously announced intention to purchase additional shares of Chevron Corp. from time to time. Such a request has the effect of extending the waiting period applicable to Pennzoil's notification filing under the HSR Act until 20 days after the requested data is submitted to the FTC.

In December 1989, Pennzoil announced that it had purchased, as a long-term investment, 31,524,500 shares of Chevron, or approximately 8.8 percent of the outstanding shares, using approximately $2.120 billion of the $2.6 billion of net settlement proceeds it received from Texaco in 1988. In

July 1990, Pennzoil announced its intention, dependent upon prevailing market prices, to purchase additional Chevron shares from time to time with remaining portions of the Texaco net settlement proceeds. Pennzoil stated that additional purchases would be limited so that its total holdings would not equal or exceed 10 percent of the total number of Chevron shares outstanding.

Pennzoil expects to provide the FTC with the requested material as promptly as practicable. In addition, in response to a related inquiry, Pennzoil is also providing information to the FTC relating to Pennzoil's reliance on the investment exemption under the HSR Act in connection with its purchase of 31,524,500 shares of Chevron in 1989.

CONTACT: Robert Harper of Pennzoil Co., 713-546-8536

-30- 1714

#90228u0127 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - Washington is moving to fill the gap caused by the loss of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil imports. Energy Secretary James Watkins says increased Alaskan oil production and conservation efforts by utilities, as well as average Americans, could yield 550-thousand extra barrels of oil a day within six months. Watkins says the government also will conserve by buying more ''gasohol.''

Meanwhile, U-S industry sources say Saudi Arabia will substantially cut deliveries to American oil companies and other large customers next month in a move that could eventually affect prices. The relocated Saudi oil reportedly will be sent to European refineries owned by Kuwait, which has been unable to export oil since its occupation by Iraq. Saudi Arabia is the largest foreign supplier of crude oil to the United States... accounting for about 19 percent of U-S oil imports.

South African authorities say the death toll stands at 143 after three days of factional fighting in three black townships east of Johannesburg. Police described the running battles as a tribal conflict. But officials of Nelson Mandela's African National Congress blamed the bloodshed on their arch rivals... the exclusively Zulu movement Inkatha.

The Nicaraguan government has issued a call for international aid after consistent heavy rains since the end of May along the country's Atlantic Coast. In a statement, President Violetta Chamorro said the persistant rains have killed five people, left thousands of families homeless and ruined cropland.

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#90228u0207 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tarek Aziz says that Baghdad is ready to start a direct dialogue with the United States without pre-condition to resolve the Persian Gulf conflict. Aziz accused Washington of rejecting several overtures by Iraq to start talks. And he says if war breaks out-in his words- ''The American government will lose that war.''

President Bush returned Wednesday to his summer home at Kennebunkport, Maine, where he is to meet with Jordan's King Hussein , a longtime friend, on Thursday. The Jordanian monarch is said to be carrying a peace plan he drafted with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. After confering with King Hussein, the White House says Bush will meet with the Saudi foreign minister and the Saudi ambassador to the United States.

Firefighters trying to control those wildfires still burning in the West are gaining the upper hand. But weather forecasts of dry lightning east of the Cascades and Sierra have fire bosses worried more blazes could erupt. In addition, officials fear the mounting fatigue of firefighters could increase their danger in the 252-thousand acres of rugged terrain still aflame.

Closing arguments were heard in a Minneapolis courtroom in the trial of three former Northwest Airlines pilots accused of flying while intoxicated. All three crewmen have denied they were impaired during the March 8th morning flight from Fargo, North Dakota, to Minneapolis... despite spending the previous night at a bar. Prosecutors told the federal jury Wednesday the defense sounds ''like Alice in Wonderland.''

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#90228u0216 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - A 19-year-old man has been sentenced to 180 days in jail for his role in a Los Angeles scheme to sell manhole covers, storm-drain gates and water-meter covers for scrap metal. Efrain Deleon Barrios and his co-defendant, Antonio Lopez, pleaded guilty to charges stemming from their spree in which they stole 300 covers and grates from L-A streets. The 23-year-old Lopez will be sentenced Tuesday.

Maine lobstermen are up in arms about the low prices lobsters are bringing this year, but they've found a way to claw back. They gave away 500 lobsters Wednesday to soup kitchens, day-care centers and lunch programs for the elderly... in a well-intentioned protest meant to dramatize their plight. Lobstermen are getting as little as one dollar, 75 cents a pound for their catch.

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#90228u0251 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - Iran was reported privately elated with the surprise olive branch offered by longtime rival Iraq, which is increasingly fenced in by U.S. troops along the Saudi border and an international armada in the Persian Gulf.

The peace package proposed Wednesday would resolve most of the disputes between the two Persian Gulf neighbors remaining from the bloody eight-year war that was suspended by a cease-fire in 1988.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said it would prevent Western ''evil forces'' from capitalizing on tension between Iraq and Iran.

The Iraqi leader's offer, broadcast on state-run Baghdad radio, includes an exchange of prisoners, a withdrawal of Iraqi troops from occupied Iranian territory, and an offer to surrender to Iranian demands to share a disputed strategic waterway.

Saddam said if Iran agreed with his four-point plan, Iraqi troops would start leaving occupied Iranian border territory within 48 hours.

Iranian officials were reported to be privately ''overjoyed'' with Baghdad's proposal, according to an unidentified Arab diplomat, but withheld a formal response until the arrival of an Iraqi delegation in Tehran.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency said the offer was received ''with optimism'' and state-run Tehran radio said it was tantamount to capitulation by Baghdad on Iran's former demands.

Iran's spiritual leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, however, deplored the presence of Western forces in the Persian Gulf region. He said Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2 resembled the recent U.S. invasions of Grenada and Panama.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Morteza Sarmadi told Tehran radio that Iran heard the Iraqi offer ''through the mass media.''

Tehran was glad Baghdad had ''finally accepted'' the 1975 border accord between the two countries and this would ''lead to the re-establishment of a durable and honorable peace in the region'' after eight years of war, Sarmadi said.

President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani met with Iran's Supreme National Security Council in Tehran to discuss the latest Iraqi move although Tehran radio quoted Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati as saying the Iraqi president's letter had not reached Tehran by late Wednesday.

Velayati said Iran was prepared to receive an Iraqi delegation in Tehran

after the Iranian government examined the Iraqi president's letter. He said Iraq's acceptance of the 1975 accord was the Islamic republic's greatest victory.

President Bush, asked as he was traveling to his summer house in Kennebunkport, Maine, about Iraq's overture to Iran, said: ''It does not appear to have any impact on Kuwait, does not deal with his invasion, does not deal with our objectives. It appears to be another effort to separate the Arab countries and create a diversion.''

The Iraqi proposal came as Baghdad faces international economic and military pressure in response to its invasion and occupation of Kuwait. Iraqi troops later massed on the Kuwaiti-Saudi border, prompting the deployment of U.S. and Egyptian troops in Saudi Arabia.

The United States also has announced it would intercept any ships trying to reach Iraq amid an embargo against Baghdad. Some members of the U.N. Security Council have opposed Washington's de facto naval blockade.

Under Saddam's plan, Iraq would accept Iran's proposal for an exchange of some 70,000 Iraqi and 30,000 Iranian prisoners of war still in captivity two years after both sides agreed to the U.N.-brokered cease-fire.

As a gesture of good will, ''We will withdraw all our troops that face you along the border starting Friday August 17,'' Saddam said.

''Everything (Iran) wanted was realized and nothing has remained but to exchange documents from a position overlooking new life,'' Saddam said, according to the official Iraqi News Agency.

He said peace with Iran would stop the West playing Iraq off against Iran and that Iraqi troops would be able to concentrate their attention ''in the field of the great duel'' in Saudi Arabia.

''(Improved Iran-Iraq ties) will open the way for serious interaction with all (Moslem) believers for confronting evil forces which are after harming Moslems and the Arab nation,'' Saddam said.

In Iran, Tehran Radio said Iraq offered to withdraw its troops from hundreds of square miles of Iranian territory along the center of the Iran-Iraq front. The land was captured during the last stages of fighting.

It also said Iraq offered an immediate start to the exchange of POWs by land over the 750-mile-long land border, as well as joint sovereignty over the strategic Shatt al Arab waterway in the northern Persian Gulf.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	63	53	.543	-	36-18	27-35	5-5	L-1
Toronto	62	56	.525	2	32-29	30-27	5-5	L-1
Baltimore	56	60	.483	7	26-26	30-34	3-7	L-2
Cleveland	55	62	.470	8 1/2	31-29	24-33	6-4	W-1
Detroit	54	65	.454	10 1/2	26-32	28-33	3-7	L-2
Milwaukee	50	65	.435	12 1/2	24-32	26-33	5-5	W-2
New York	46	70	.397	17	23-29	23-41	4-6	L-6
West								
Oakland	75	43	.636	-	40-22	35-21	8-2	W-1
Chicago	67	47	.588	6	34-26	33-21	4-6	W-1
Texas	60	57	.513	14 1/2	31-24	29-33	4-6	W-1
Seattle	60	58	.508	15	32-33	28-25	4-6	W-2
California	58	60	.492	17	32-30	26-30	7-3	W-3
Kansas City	57	60	.487	17 1/2	33-28	24-32	7-3	L-1
Minnesota	55	62	.470	19 1/2	29-30	26-32	4-6	L-1

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(AUG. 16) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Baseball

American League
Minnesota at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.

National League
Los Angeles at New York, 1:35 p.m.
San Francisco at Philadelphia, 12:35 p.m.
Atlanta at Pittsburgh, 3 p.m.
Montreal at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.
Houston at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Edmonton, Alberta - World Championships

Basketball
Argentina - Men's World Championships

Boxing
Steve Collins vs. Fermin Chirino, 10, middleweights, at Boston.

Fort Huachuca, Ariz. - U.S. Junior Championships.

Golf
PGA The International, Castle Rock, Colo.
$400,000 LPGA Big Apple Classic, New Rochelle, N.Y.

Roller Skating
Pensacola, Fla. - U.S. Indoor Speed Championships

Shooting
Moscow - World Championships

Tennis
Indianapolis - Men's $1 million U.S. Men's Hardcourt Championships
Manhattan Beach, Calif. - Women's $350,000 Virginia Slims of Los Angeles
New Haven, Conn. - Men's $1 million Volvo International

Yachting
Holland - 470 World Championships and Tornado Class World Championships

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(AUG. 16) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Yelding cf	5	1	1	0	Dascenzo cf	3	1	0	0
Doran 2b	5	1	1	1	Sandberg 2b	4	2	2	0
Caminiti 3b	5	1	2	0	Grace 1b	5	0	4	3
Stubbs 1b	4	1	1	1	Dawson rf	5	0	0	0
Biggio c	5	2	4	1	Salazar lf	4	0	0	0
GWilson rf	4	0	1	1	Lancaster p	0	0	0	0
Rohde ph	0	0	0	0	Williams p	0	0	0	0
Nichols c	0	0	0	0	Pico p	0	0	0	0
Rhodes lf	3	2	1	1	Varsho ph	1	0	0	0
Ramirez ss	4	0	1	3	Dunston ss	5	0	1	0
Deshaies p	2	0	0	0	Ramos 3b	3	1	3	0
Davidson ph	1	0	0	0	Girardi c	5	0	0	0
Andersen p	0	0	0	0	Bielecki p	2	0	0	0
Candaele ph	1	0	0	0	Wilkerson ph	1	0	1	1
DSmith p	1	0	0	0	Assenmchr p	0	0	0	0
					Wynne cf	1	0	0	0
Totals	40	8	12	8	Totals	39	4	11	4

Houston	002 100 001	4- 8
Chicago	200 011 000	0- 4

E-DSmith. DP-Houston 2. LOB- Houston 8, Chicago 10. 2B-Grace 2, Yelding, Sandberg, Ramirez. 3B-Wilkerson, Biggio, Caminiti. HR-Rhodes (1). SB-Doran (16), Dunston 2 (16). S-Rhodes, Dascenzo, Rohde.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Deshaies	6	8	4	4	3	4
Andersen	2	2	0	0	0	1
DSmith (W 3-4)	2	1	0	0	1	0
Chicago						
Bielecki	6	7	3	3	0	4
Assenmacher	2	0	0	0	0	2
Lancaster	0	2	1	1	0	0
Williams	2-3	0	0	0	2	0
Pico (L 4-3)	1 1-3	3	4	4	2	1

Lancaster pitched to 2 batters in the 9th.

Balk-Deshaies. T-3:12. A-34,307.

Umpires-Home, Froemming; 1b, Pulli; 2b, Rippley; 3b, Darling.

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Wnnnghm cf	6	2	4	1	Coleman lf	6	0	1	0
O'Neill rf	2	0	1	2	OSmith ss	6	0	1	0
Larkin ss	5	0	0	0	McGee cf	5	0	1	0
Benzinger lf	5	0	0	0	Guerrero 1b	5	0	0	0
WMorris 1b	5	0	2	0	Zeile c	5	0	3	0
Quinones 3b	5	0	0	0	Pendleton 3b	5	1	2	0
Duncan 2b	5	0	1	0	Sherrill p	0	0	0	0
Oliver c	5	0	0	0	Wilson rf	4	0	0	0
Charlton p	2	0	1	0	Niedenfuer p	0	0	0	0
Griffey ph	1	0	0	0	Jones 3b	1	0	0	0
Myers p	0	0	0	0	Oquendo 2b	4	0	2	0
Hatcher ph	1	0	1	0	Hill p	0	0	0	0
Dibble p	0	0	0	0	Hudler ph	1	0	1	0
Braggs ph	1	1	1	0	Dayley p	0	0	0	0
Layana p	0	0	0	0	Pagnozzi ph	1	0	0	0
					DiPino p	0	0	0	0
					Thompsn ph	1	0	0	1
					LSmith p	0	0	0	0
					Collins rf	0	0	0	0
Totals	43	3	11	3	Totals	44	1	11	1

Cincinnati 001 000 000 002- 3

St. Louis 000 000 100 000- 1

DP-Cincinnati 1, St. Louis 1. LOB-Cincinnati 9, St. Louis 10. 2B-Oquendo, Winningham, WMorris, O'Neill. 3B- Duncan, Winningham 3, Smith. SB-O'Neill (13). S-Oquendo, Collins. SF- O'Neill.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Charlton	7	6	1	1	0	6
Myers	2	1	0	0	0	1
Dibble (W 5-3)	2	3	0	0	0	1
Layana (S 2)	1	1	0	0	1	1
St. Louis						
Hill	3	3	1	1	2	3
Dayley	2	1	0	0	0	2
DiPino	2	0	0	0	0	3
LSmith	2	2	0	0	1	3
Niedenfuer (L 0-6)	2 2-3	4	2	2	1	1
Sherrill	1-3	1	0	0	0	0

T-3:25. A-31,924.

Umpires-Home, Montague; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, Davidson; 3b, Williams.

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Parker cf	3	0	0	0	Dykstra cf	4	1	1	1
Anderson 2b	3	0	0	0	Daulton c	3	2	1	2
Downs p	0	0	0	0	VHayes lf	2	0	0	0
Clark 1b	3	0	0	0	Murphy rf	4	0	0	0
Mitchell lf	3	0	0	0	Kruk 1b	4	1	2	1
Williams 3b	3	0	0	0	Herr 2b	3	1	1	0
Litton rf	3	0	0	0	CHayes 3b	4	0	1	1
Kennedy c	2	0	0	0	Thon ss	4	1	1	0
Bathe ph	1	0	0	0	Mulholland p	3	0	1	1
Uribe ss	3	0	0	0					
Robinson p	2	0	0	0					
Kingery cf	0	0	0	0					
Carter ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	27	0	0	0	Totals	31	6	8	6

San Francisco 000 000 000- 0
Philadelphia 100 032 00x- 6

E-CHayes. DP-Philadelphia 1. LOB- San Francisco 0, Philadelphia 5. 2B-Dykstra, Kruk. HR-Daulton (10).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Robinson (L 8-4)	6	7	6	6	4	3
Downs	2	1	0	0	0	0
Philadelphia						
Mulholland (W 7-6)	9	0	0	0	0	8

T-2:09. A-32,156.

Umpires-Home, Gregg; 1b, Crawford; 2b, Hallion; 3b, DeMuth.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Javier cf	4	1	1	0	Boston cf	4	2	2	0
Sharpersn 3b	3	1	1	0	Magadan 3b	2	0	1	1
Harris 3b	1	0	0	0	Jefferies 2b	4	0	1	1
Daniels lf	4	1	1	3	Strawbrry rf	4	0	0	0
Howell p	0	0	0	0	Johnson ss	4	0	1	0
Murray 1b	4	0	0	0	McRynlds lf	4	0	0	0
Brooks rf	3	0	0	0	Torve 1b	3	0	2	0
Dempsey c	3	0	0	0	Carreon pr	0	0	0	0
Samuel 2b	3	0	0	0	Sasser c	4	0	0	0
Griffin ss	2	0	0	0	Fernandez p	2	0	0	0
Morgan p	1	0	0	0	O'Malley ph	0	0	0	0
Gibson ph	1	0	0	0	Whitehurst p	0	0	0	0
Gott p	0	0	0	0					
Gonzalez lf	0	0	0	0					
Totals	29	3	3	3	Totals	31	2	7	2

Los Angeles	000	300	000-	3
New York	100	001	000-	2

DP-Los Angeles 1. LOB-Los Angeles 1, New York 6. 2B-Javier, Boston.
HR-Daniels (18). SB-Boston (12). S- Magadan, Morgan.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Morgan (W 10-11)	7	6	2	2	2	3
Gott	1	0	0	0	0	1
Howell (S 10)	1	1	0	0	0	0
New York						
Fernandez (L 8-9)	7	3	3	3	1	7
Whitehurst	2	0	0	0	0	2

HBP-by Morgan (Torve). PB-Dempsey 2. T-2:31. A-43,139.

Umpires-Home, Bonin; 1b, Tata; 2b, Hohn; 3b, Rennert.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
LSmith lf	4	0	2	2	Landrum cf	0	0	0	0
Presley 3b	5	0	0	0	Redus 1b	2	0	0	0
Lemke 3b	0	0	0	0	Bream 1b	2	0	0	0
Cabrera 1b	3	1	1	1	Bonilla rf	3	0	1	0
MBell 1b	2	1	1	0	Bonds lf	4	0	1	0
Blauser ss	4	2	2	0	King 3b	3	0	0	0
Justice rf	5	1	3	3	Slaught c	2	1	1	0
Olson c	5	2	2	0	Lind 2b	3	0	0	0
Castillo p	1	0	1	0	Heaton p	2	0	0	0
Gregg ph	1	0	1	1	Bair p	0	0	0	0
Parrett p	0	0	0	0	Ross p	0	0	0	0
McDowell ph	1	1	1	0	Belliard ss	1	0	0	0
Mercker p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	38	8	15	7	Totals	30	1	4	0

Atlanta	000 012 041- 8
Pittsburgh	000 010 000- 1

E-Presley. DP-Atlanta 2, Pittsburgh 1. LOB-Atlanta 9, Pittsburgh 4.
2B-Treadway, Slaught, McDowell, Cangelosi. 3B-MBell. HR-Cabrera (4),
Justice (17). SB-Cangelosi 2 (5), Bonilla (3). S- Castillo.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Castillo (W 3-1)	5	1	1	1	2	2
Parrett	2	2	0	0	0	1
Mercker	2	1	0	0	0	2
Pittsburgh						
Heaton (L 10-8)	5	7	3	3	4	2
Bair	2	1	0	0	0	3
Ross	1	5	4	4	0	0
Landrum	1	2	1	1	0	0

Heaton pitched to 3 batters in the 6th.

HBP-by Heaton (Blauser). WP-Ross. PB-Slaught. Balk-Castillo. T-2:53.
A-16,063.

Umpires-Home, Runge; 1b, Rapuano; 2b, Winters; 3b, Davis.

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Deshields 2b	6	0	0	0	Roberts lf	7	1	2	0
Nixon cf	8	1	1	0	Alomar 2b	8	1	1	0
Raines lf	8	0	2	0	Gwynn rf	6	0	2	2
Wallach 3b	8	1	4	1	Carter cf	8	0	2	0
Galarrag 1b	7	2	1	2	Santiago c	8	1	2	0
Grissom rf	2	0	0	0	Pagliarul 3b	6	0	1	0
Walker rf	4	1	1	0	Templetn ss	7	0	1	0
Fitzgerald c	4	0	1	1	Stephensn 1b	4	0	1	0
Owen ss	3	0	1	0	Clark 1b	2	0	0	0
Foley ss	5	0	2	0	Hurst p	2	0	1	0
Gross p	2	0	0	0	Abner ph	1	0	0	0
Rojas p	0	0	0	0	Harris p	0	0	0	0
DaMartnz ph	1	0	0	0	Lynn ph	1	0	1	0
Ruskin p	0	0	0	0	Jackson pr	0	0	0	0
Aldrete ph	1	0	1	0	Lefferts p	0	0	0	0
Burke p	0	0	0	0	Parent ph	1	0	1	0
Noboa ph	0	0	0	0	Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0
Frey p	0	0	0	0	Lilliquist p	1	0	0	0
Goff ph	1	0	0	0	Lampkin ph	1	0	0	0
Sampen p	2	0	0	0	Davis p	0	0	0	0
Totals	62	5	14	4	Totals	63	3	15	2

Montreal	300 000 000 000 000 02-	5
San Diego	111 000 000 000 000 00-	3

E-Fitzgerald, Santiago. DP-Montreal 2, San Diego 1. LOB-Montreal 16, San Diego 14. 2B-Wallach, Owen. HR- Galarraga (14). SB-Nixon (37), Roberts (27), Alomar (15), Fitzgerald (8), Stephenson (2), Carter (12). S-Noboa. SF-Gwynn.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Gross	5	6	3	3	1	2
Rojas	1	1	0	0	0	0
Ruskin	2	1	0	0	0	2
Burke	2	3	0	0	1	1
Frey	2	3	0	0	2	0
Sampen (W 10-4)	5	1	0	0	0	3
San Diego						
Hurst	7	5	3	3	4	4
Harris	3	4	0	0	1	3
Lefferts	1	1	0	0	1	0
Rodriguez	2	1	0	0	1	1

Lilliquist	3	0	0	0	1	2
Davis (L 0-1)	1	3	2	2	1	0

WP-Gross. T-5:15. A-14,271.

Umpires-Home, West; 1b, Barnes; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Wendlestedt.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	66	49	.574	-	33-23	33-26	4-6	L-1
New York	65	49	.570	1/2	39-22	26-27	4-6	L-2
Montreal	62	54	.534	4 1/2	33-23	29-31	7-3	W-7
Chicago	56	61	.479	11	29-31	27-30	6-4	L-1
Philadel.	54	60	.474	11 1/2	28-28	26-32	3-7	W-2
St. Louis	54	63	.462	13	27-34	27-29	6-4	L-2
West								
Cincinnati	68	47	.591	-	35-20	33-27	7-3	W-4
San Fran.	60	56	.517	8 1/2	30-24	30-32	2-8	L-4
Los Angeles	60	56	.517	8 1/2	32-24	28-32	5-5	W-2
San Diego	54	61	.470	14	28-32	26-29	6-4	L-2
Houston	51	66	.436	18	35-25	16-41	5-5	W-1
Atlanta	44	72	.379	24 1/2	25-34	19-38	4-6	W-1

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#90228u0373 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND (AUG. 16) UPI - A Japanese climber was rescued Thursday after surviving five days of blizzard conditions on a North Island mountain where six soldiers froze to death this week.

Joji Iwama, 27, who said he had listened apprehensively on a portable radio to details of the soldiers' deaths and his own stalled rescue efforts, was found while inching down Mount Ruapehu, 200 miles north of Wellington.

Iwama, a restaurant worker in Auckland, climbed Ruapehu Aug. 8 and was last seen Saturday digging a snow cave to escape a blizzard.

He said after his rescue that he had planned to walk down the mountain Saturday but lost his way in the freezing conditions.

''There was a white-out and terrible freezing conditions 20 or 35 minutes

after I left the snow cave,'' Iwama said. ''I couldn't locate where I was walking and I decided to dig another snow cave.''

Iwama said he carried a small radio and heard of the deaths of the six soldiers who failed to survive the same blizzard while on a training mission just a few hundred yards away.

He said he also heard details of how the weather conditions were hampering efforts to locate him.

''I really became scared and wanted to listen to every broadcast to hear how my resuce attempts were getting on,'' he said.

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#90228u0374 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... U-P-I brings you the latest news.

When Jordan's King Hussein meets with President Bush today in Maine, he'll be carrying a secret message from Iraq's President Saddam Hussein. The Jordanian king and Bush are to meet for about two hours of talks that might help resolve the nearly two-week-old crisis in the Persian Gulf.

Saddam Hussein also is making peace overtures to his long-time rival, Iran. His plan proposed yesterday calls for an exchange of prisoners and a withdrawal of Iraqi troops from occupied Iranian territory. The peace package would resolve most of the disputes remaining from Iraq's eight-year war with Iran.

Some 23-thousand firefighters aided by U-S Army troops are battling dozens of wildfires still burning in seven Western states. But there is some good news on the wildfire front. California's Yosemite National Park- closed because of wildfires- partially re-opens this weekend.

South Africa's law and order minister is appealing for calm in the black townships east of Johannesburg where 143 people have been killed in three days of factional fighting. The government minister called on black leaders to ''use their influence to stop this UNnecessary killing and violence.''

Engineers at Cape Canaveral, Florida, are working to make up lost time and keep the shuttle Discovery on track for blastoff October 5th. The shuttle is tentatively scheduled to be hauled from its hangar to a rocket assembly building one week from tomorrow. Discovery is to carry the European Ulysses solar probe into space.

#90228u0380 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 16) UPI - In this record season of no-hitters, the hurler who put the mark in the book avoided comparisons to great pitchers.

''I'm just Terry Mulholland,'' the Philadelphia pitcher said after helping the Phillies to a 6-0 victory over the San Francisco Giants.

''I'm not Nolan Ryan and I'm certainly not knocking on the door for the Cy Young award this year,'' he said. ''I'll just take this game and enjoy it.''

Mulholland improved to 7-6 this season and to only 14-21 for his major league career, which started in 1986 with the team he limited to no hits Wednesday.

The left-hander was traded to Philadelphia with Dennis Cook and Charlie Hayes June 18, 1989, for reliever Steve Bedrosian. In his 29-game career with the Giants, Mulholland went 3-10. He is 11-11 since joining the Phillies.

''The only advantage is I know what they hit and don't hit because I spent three years with them (Giants),'' Mulholland said. ''I feel like every time I go out against them I have an advantage.''

Mulholland, whose best previous performance was a two-hitter against San Francisco Aug. 19, 1989, joined pitchers like Ryan, Dave Stewart and Fernando Valenzuela on this season's eight-game no-hitter list.

''It was a great experience,'' said the 6-foot-3, 27-year-old. ''I can't describe what was going through my mind when Charlie (Hayes, third baseman) snared that line drive. It was like a ton of bricks was lifted off my shoulders.''

Hayes caught pinch-hitter Gary Carter's line drive for the final out. But it was Hayes who committed a seventh-inning throwing error that cost Mulholland a perfect game. Rick Parker, who reached on the error, was wiped out when Dave Anderson hit into a double play.

Mulholland said he was not concerned about the loss of the perfect game.

''It never entered my mind,'' he said. ''I was just looking at the guy I'm going to face next. It's nice if you get it but if you don't, you've got the next best thing.''

Mulholland uses a variety of pitches, mixing speeds and location. Wednesday night it was the combination of a nasty slider, fastball and changeup that confused the Giants' hitters.

''He threw a lot of cutters,'' Giants first baseman Will Clark said. ''We had 10 hard outs right at people. Not only did he throw a great game, but he had a lot of luck too.''

The no-hitter was the seventh by a Phillies' pitcher. Rick Wise was the last Phillie to throw a no-hitter, beating Cincinnati 4-0 June 23, 1971.

Elsewhere in the National League, Cincinnati edged St. Louis 3-1 in 12 innings, Houston beat Chicago 8-4 in 10 innings, Los Angeles clipped the New York Mets 3-2, Atlanta routed Pittsburgh 8-1 and Montreal outlasted San Diego 5-3 in 17 innings.

In the American League, it was: Oakland 6, Boston 2; Cleveland 5, Minnesota 4; Milwaukee 7, Detroit 3; Chicago 4, Toronto 3; Texas 2, Kansas City 1; Seattle 2, Baltimore 0 and California 8, New York 1.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Reds 3, Cardinals 1, 12 innings

At St. Louis, Herm Winningham's third triple of the game tied a modern NL record and scored Glenn Braggs with two outs in the 12th inning. Braggs, pinch-hitting for winning pitcher Rob Dibble, 5-3, reached on a single and Winningham tripled to score Braggs. Tom Neidenfuer, 0-6, suffered the loss. Terry Layana pitched the 12th to earn his second save.

Astros 8, Cubs 4, 10 innings

At Chicago, Craig Biggio went 4-for-5, including the tie-breaking single in Houston's four-run 10th inning, and Rafael Ramirez capped the burst with a three-run double. Jeff Pico, 4-3, was the loser. Dave Smith, 3-4, was the winner.

Dodgers 3, Mets 2

At New York, Kal Daniels hit a three-run homer to power Los Angeles. Daniels connected off Sid Fernandez, 8-9, rallying the Dodgers from a one-run deficit. Mike Morgan, 10-11, allowed six hits over seven innings. Jay Howell gained his 10th save.

Braves 8, Pirates 1

At Pittsburgh, Rookie Dave Justice collected three RBI, including his ninth homer in 10 games and three pitchers combined on a four-hitter. Justice has 19 RBI in his last 10 games. Tony Castillo, 3-1, allowed one run and and one hit in five innings. Neal Heaton, 10-8, suffered his six straight loss.

Expos 5, Padres 3, 17 innings

At San Diego, Benito Santiago's two-out throwing error allowed Andres Galarraga to score the go-ahead run in the 17th inning, lifting the Expos to victory in the longest game of the season. The win was Montreal's seventh straight victory. Bill Sampen, 10-4, allowed only one hit over five innings for the win.

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#90228u0387 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - The city is investigating allegations that Rikers Island prison guards bent on revenge systematically beat inmates after a riot at the city jail.

Board of Correction Chairman Robert Kasanof announced the ''intensive'' investigation Wednesday based on information that prisoners sustained ''systematic clubbing'' after the Tuesday melee was quelled.

The riot capped a two-day blockade of Rikers Island by guards angered by an attack on a fellow officer by three prisoners last week. Inmates were locked in their cells during the walkout and rioted once they were let out.

Authorities said at least 162 people were taken to hospitals, about 30 of them correction officers, some of whom had been stabbed. None was in critical condition.

Meanwhile, the inmate who reportedly initiated Tuesday's riot allegedly pulled a homemade knife on guards escorting him out of a mess hall Wednesday and was critically injured in the struggle, said Department of Correction spokeswoman Ruby Ryles.

The inmate, Anthony Mitchell, 27, was identified in The New York Times Thursday as an instigator of Tuesday's riot.

The Association of Legal Aid Attorneys reported the ''secret mass beating'' of inmates at the prison's North Facility late Tuesday, hours after officers tear-gassed prisoners who had barricaded themselves in their cells.

''Angry corrections officers reportedly raided several dormitories of inmates who had not been involved in the revolt, marched them to the lower lobby and beat the inmates' heads against the walls,'' the association said in a statement.

''Following the assault, the walls were covered with the inmates' blood,'' the release said.

The attorney's group said the beatings were retaliatory and resulted from ''the city's capitulation to jail guards'' in order to get them to call off their blockade.

Kasanof said although the evidence he received was not conclusive, it pointed to correction officers as the perpetrators of the clubbings.

''I have ordered an intensive investigation into a number of head injuries sustained by prisoners after order was restored,'' he said.

Kasanof said the directives resulting from an agreement ending the guards' blockade ''must not be taken as a signal for retaliatory action'' against prisoners.

The head of the guard's union, Phil Seelig, and City Correction Commissioner Allyn Sielaff both denied that retaliatory beatings took place.

Seelig accused Kasanof and others with focusing on prisoners' rights at the expense of officers who feel ''handcuffed'' when confronted with violent inmates.

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#90228u0388 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 16) UPI - A new study has some unsettling news about hydrogenated vegetable oils found in shortening and margarine. Dutch scientists say those oils, once touted for their healthful properties, actually appear to boost levels of artery-clogging cholesterol in the blood. The study was published in The New England Journal of Medicine.

Philadelphia researchers say the only government-approved drug for treating Alzheimer's disease appears to be completely ineffective. Doctors from Jefferson Medical College say a study of 80 people with Alzheimer's found NO evidence that the drug Hydergine could improve their mental capacities.

The world's tropical forests are vanishing at a rate twice as fast as estimated 10 years ago. The U-N Food and Agriculture Organization says the annual rate of deforestation rose from 37-thousand square miles in 1980, to 66-thousand square miles in 1990.

Actor Marlon Brando's son, Christian, was freed from Los Angeles County Jail yesterday on a four-Million-dollar property bond... pending trial on charges he killed his half-sister's lover. The elder Brando posted his estate as collateral for the bail.

In Italy, four small boys made the discovery of a lifetime while they were swimming this week in waters near the Tuscan port of Leghorn. They found a Roman marble statue dating from the second or third centuries. The headlessfour-footinch tall statue is of a woman wearing a draped garment.

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#90228u0394 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - Showers soaked the southern third of the nation Thursday from Nevada to Florida, deluging cities near Las Vegas with flash floods, while thunderstorms roamed the Plains and haze covered parts of New England.

A new round of thunderstorms blew through the Southern Plains, dumping heavy rain over western Texas, eastern New Mexico and northern Arkansas, the National Weather Service said.

A flash flood watch was posted for storm-weary southern New Mexico as a persistent upper-level disturbance moved through the region. Harrison, Ark., received more than 3 inches of rain, causing some minor street flooding.

Flash floods washed through southern Nevada early Thursday, and more than an inch of rain fell in 10 minutes in Logan, the NWS said. Heavy rains were reported in a six-city area about 40 miles northeast of Las Vegas.

Thunderstorms died across most of Arizona, decreasing the threat of flash flooding but leaving gulleys and roadway dips filled with water after two days of downpours that overwhelmed storm drains.

More than 30 people were evacuated Wednesday from Glendale, west of Phoenix, after a motel and nearby homes were flooded with up to 5 feet of water.

Scattered thunderstorms dumped light rain Thursday in a 120-mile-wide area from Sheridan Lake, Colo., to Page City, Kan. Powerful storms in Colorado Wednesday produced small hail and up to 2 inches of rain, flooding roads.

Skies were variably cloudy Thursday across much of the South, with morning lows in the 70s. A band of scattered showers stretched from Little Rock, Ark., to just west of Memphis, Tenn.

Showers drifted over the Florida Keys and along the state's lower Atlantic Coast. Thunderstorms that caused flooding in North Carolina dissipated during the early morning hours.

Hazy skies covered parts of Vermont and New Hampshire overnight, but skies were clear across most of New England. Temperatures slipped into the

middle 50s and relative humidity remained above 80 percent from Maine to Connecticut.

Mostly fair skies were reported overnight in Maryland, West Virginia, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, but morning fog was reported near Philadelphia. Lows ranged in the 50s and 60s through much of the Middle Atlantic region.

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#90228u0428 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - Proclaiming victory for their nation, Iranian newspapers Thursday praised Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for his overture to settle the conflict between the two longtime foes, but berated U.S intervention in the region.

''Congratulations on the great victory to the Iranian revolutionary nation '' the Persian language Jomhuri Eslamis said in its main headline. The English Tehran Times called the initiative by Saddam to his Persian Gulf war foe ''a courageous move.''

Saddam's surprise peace package unveiled Wednesday included an exchange of prisoners, a withdrawal of Iraqi troops from occupied Iranian territory and surrender to Iranian demands to share a disputed strategic waterway.

As a gesture of goodwill, Saddam said Iraq would withdraw troops along the Iranian-Iraqi border beginning Friday, a move that would provide Saddam with more forces for a possible showdown along his border with Saudi Arabia, where tens of thousands of U.S. and British forces have been deployed.

Egyptian and Moroccan troops also have been stationed on Saudi soil and a Syrian contigent is expected to join in the creation of a pan-Arab force in the region.

Saddam said he hoped Persian Iran could cooperate with its former Arab Moslem foe to fight the forces of evil in the region, an apparent reference to Western forces deployed in the gulf and in Saudi Arabia. Two years ago, the U.N. brokered a cease-fire between the two nations after eight years of war.

Iran interpreted the Iraqi inititiative as tantamount to capitulation by Baghdad on its former demands, according to Tehran Radio. Iraqi and Iranian officials still must confer on the proposal.

''Now in this very sensitive juncture with a lasting peace just round the corner, it is hoped that the responsible officials and policymakers of the nation will adopt a most suitable approach to the current crisis of the region,'' the Tehran Times said Thursday, as quoted by the Islamic

Republic News Agency.

While the English daily Kayhan International said the Iraqi annexation of Kuwait was unacceptable, it also raised anti-American sentiments, charging the United States with fomenting tension between Iraq and Iran and attempting to orchestrate the latest developments in the current crisis.

Kayhan criticized the U.S. presence in the region as a pretext to dictate oil pricing policy and blasted Saudi Arabia's decision to allow deployment of foreign troops on Saudi soil. Saudi Arabia is home to Islam's two holiest cities, Mecca and Medina.

''The Americans must go and her allies must persuade her to do so before she drags the world into turmoil with vastly unpredictable consequences,'' the newspaper said. ''When that is accomplished dealing with Iraq can take place in an atmosphere of calm in the community of neighbors.''

Asked about Iraq's overture to Iran, President Bush said the proposal did not seem to have any impact on the Iraqi-Kuwait conflict and appeared ''to be another effort to separate the Arab countries and create a diversion.''

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#90228u0457 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 16) UPI - Spear-wielding mobs attacked passengers of a train and clashes erupted elsewhere in the black township of Soweto Thursday, killing at least three people amid spreading factional fighting that has left more than 145 dead in three days.

Another 55 people were wounded, 15 seriously, in the morning clashes which were the first in Soweto since fighting erupted in three townships east of Johannesburg, Police spokesman Capt. Joseph Ngobeni said.

At least two people were stabbed to death and a third found burned near the railway station, where witnesses reported an angry crowd of up to 400, armed spears, sticks and some firearms, launched an assault at dawn, he said.

Witnesses said the attackers began dragging passengers off before police arrived. Several ambulances ferried away the injured, they said.

By mid-morning, rival mobs massed near a hostel, but witnesses said police fired tear gas and separated the two factions. The witnesees described the situation as tense.

Some 100 hostel dwellers, described by other residents as members of the Zulu movement Inkatha, massed outside the hostel. Police separated them from a rival crowd of about 300 residents - many armed with knives, axes

and forks. A civic leader said local residents were demanding police disarm the alleged Inkatha members.

The factional violence spread to Soweto after three days of pitched battles in three townships east of Johannesburg where 143 people were killed and more than 320 wounded in one of the worst explosions of internecine strife in years.

Police described the running battles through hostels and squatter settlements that began Monday as a tribal conflict between Zulus and Xhosas. But officials of the African National Congress blamed the bloodshed on their arch-rivals, the exclusively Zulu movement Inkatha of Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

No incidents were immediately reported in the townships where the violence erupted Monday.

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MOSCOW (AUG. 16) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev will interrupt his vacation and return to the capital for talks with Boris Yeltsin on the nation's troubled economy, the official news agency Tass said Thursday.

Yeltsin, leader of the huge Russian republic, returned from a trip around Russia Wednesday for the talks.

Gorbachev and Yeltsin agreed Aug. 1 to join forces to work out a plan for moving the Soviet Union toward a market economy, based on Yeltsin's bold 500-day economic plan for his republic.

The news agency Tass said that Gorbachev was expected to return to Moscow in the next several days to participate in the talks on the economy.

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MOSCOW (AUG. 16) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has restored Soviet citizenship to Nobel laureate Alexander Solzhenitsyn and 22 other writers, scientists and intellectuals exiled for their political beliefs, an aide to the president said Thursday.

Acting press secretary Valentin Kulikov confirmed reports that Gorbachev's blanket decree Wednesday included Solzhenitsyn, the bearded Russian nationalist author who was kicked out of his country in 1974 and now lives on an 80-acre estate in Cavendish, Vt.

''This document cancels 21 decrees by the U.S.S.R. Supreme Soviet presidium,'' Kulikov told the official Tass news agency. ''Soviet citizenship has been restored to 23 representatives of the artistic and scientific intelligentsia.''

Kulikov specifically cited Solzhenitsyn as well as well-known writers Vasili Aksyonov, Vladimir Voinovich, Georgi Vladimov and Lev Kopelev, physicist Yuri Orlov, chess player Viktor Korchnoi and economist Valeri Chalidze.

Tass did not mention any names or quote Gorbachev's decree directly Wednesday in a brief report on the order, saying only that it covered an unspecific number of people exiled between 1966 and 1988, but officials said the order almost certainly covered Solzhenitsyn.

Kulikov did not cite Josef Brodsky, the dissident poet who left the Soviet Union in 1972 and received the Nobel Prize for Literature three years ago.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh said Wednesday that he believed the decree applied to Brodsky.

Solzhenitsyn, 71, won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1970 for his epic ''The Gulag Archipelago,'' a multi-volume indictment of Josef Stalin's prison camps. He was exiled in 1974.

Kulikov said the presidential decree took effect with its signing, allows the exiles to return to the Soviet Union whenever they want and instructs the Foreign Ministry ''to facilitate, according to their wishes, the issuing of passports of citizens of the U.S.S.R.''

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#90228u0634 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - Iraq's foreign minister says his country is willing to start a dialogue with the United States on the Persian Gulf crisis. But Tarek Aziz said that Washington must talk ''in a civilized respectable manner.'' In Kennebunkport, Maine, President Bush meets today with Jordan's King Hussein for talks that could have a major impact on the crisis. Hussein reportedly is bringing a Jordanian-Iraqi proposal for a settlement.

A possible breakthrough is reported in the hostage situation in Lebanon. A Pro-Syrian Lebanese newspaper quotes well-informed diplomatic sources as saying positive developments will occur in the ''coming few days.'' The paper says the release of Swiss national Elio Erriquez marked the start of a ''staged process'' to free Western hostages in Lebanon. A British Embassy source says the report canNOT be confirmed.

More people were killed today in black factional fighting in South Africa that has now spread to the huge Soweto township near Johannesburg. Police say spear-wielding mobs attacked passengers on a train, killing at least two people. Witnesses say the situation is tense. Three days of pitched battles in townships east of Johannesburg left 143 people dead and more than 320 wounded.

A verdict may be near in the Central Park jogger rape trial in New York City. Yesterday, the panel asked to re-hear the legal definitions of the most serious charges against the three teen-age defendants. They're accused of gang-raping and beating a woman who was jogging in Central Park April 19th, 1989. Today will be the eighth day of jury deliberations.

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#90228u0660 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - In New York City, Long Island utility crews are pitching in to help Manhattan utility workers trying to restore electricity to a 30-block section of Lower Manhattan. The lights went out Monday when a fire destroyed the Fulton substation, shutting off power to most of Manhattan below Canal Street. Consolidated Edison estimates 100-thousand feet of cable must be installed to restore power to the area.

A Japanese climber was rescued today in New Zealand after surviving five days of blizzard conditions on a mountain where six soldiers froze to death this week. The 27-year-old man climbed the mountain one week ago. He was last seen Saturday digging a snow cave to escape a blizzard. He said planned to walk down the mountain, but lost his way in the freezing conditions. The mountain is 200 miles north of Wellington.

A 12-year-old New York City boy goes home from the hospital today... after being set on fire in early March by a neighborhood bully. David Opont initially was given only a 50 percent chance of survival, but doctors at Jamaica Hospital say he has done well and can now go home. Opont told police the 13-year-old tough set him on fire because he refused to take what he thought were drugs.

The council of Actors Equity in New York City is reconsidering its decision to bar a British actor from appearing in a Eurasian role on Broadway. The council last week barred actor Jonathan Pryce from performing the lead role in the New York production of the hit musical, ''Miss Saigon.'' The rejection of Pryce, the star of the London production led to cries of censorship.

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#90228u0677 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled 341,000 for the week ending Aug. 4, a decrease of 8,000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

The seasonally adjusted and revised figure for the previous week was unchanged at 349,000 initial claims, the department's Employment and Training Administration said.

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#90228u0716 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - Foreign Minister Tarek Aziz says Iraq is ready to discuss a possible settlement to the Persian Gulf crisis without conditions. During an interview, Aziz accused the Bush administration of repeatedly rejecting Baghdad's peace overtures.

Aziz also warned America against getting involved in a shooting war in the Middle East. He said Iraq wants to negotiate in a civilized manner, but added if war breaks out, America will ''lose the war and be humiliated.''

President Bush and Jordan's King Hussein hold crucial talks at the president's home in Kennebunkport, Maine, today. Hussein is thought to be carrying a Jordanian-Iraqi peace plan. After the talks, Bush will meet with two Saudi officials.

A pro-Syrian Lebanese newspaper says ''a staged process'' has begun that may ultimately lead to the release of the Western hostages being held in Lebanon. The report says ''positive developments... will occur during the next few days.''

South African police say a crowd of up to 400 people attacked a passenger train in the black township of Soweto, leaving at least two people dead. Black-on-black fighting killed more than 140 this week.

Utility crews from Long Island are in New York City today to help restore service to a 30-block section of lower Manhattan still darkened by Monday's power outage. The blackout is affecting the South Street Seaport fish market.

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#90228u0733 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - New York City authorities are investigating charges that angry Rikers Island prison guards systematically beat inmates after a riot ended at the jail. Board of Corrections officials say the alleged beatings occurred Tuesday.

Former Atlanta Roman Catholic Archbishop Eugene Marino reportedly

attempted suicide last week. A broadcast report says Marino is recuperating in a New York psychiatric hospital. Marino resigned last month. A short time later it was revealed he had a two-year affair with a young woman.

The Washington Post reports thousands of federal workers have been warned they may face furloughs or layoffs in the coming fiscal year. The report says the budget stalemate between the White House and Congress is to blame.

A survey released in Chicago yesterday says the job market may hold excellent prospects for workers over 50. An international outplacement consulting firm says its study found gaps in the work force because of early retirement.

A government report says about one in four American babies born in 1988 were born to UNwed mothers, 51 percent higher than in 1980. The report by the National Center for Health Statistics also says the teen-age birth rate is on the rise.

California's Yosemite National Park is preparing to re-open following three wildfires that consumed nearly 23-thousand acres. Officials say the famed park, known for its ancient redwoods, will be open this weekend.

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#90228u0764 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed lower Thursday amid futures-linked selling and profit taking following Wednesday's monumental 5.4 percent rise.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which surged 1,439.59 points Wednesday, fell 562.68 points or 2 percent to 27,549.44.

The Nikkei's fall was less severe for the broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, which fell 32.13 points, or 1.5 percent, to 2,067.36. TOPIX, which measures all shares on the exchange, gained 79.16 points Wednesday.

Declines outpaced advances 618 to 283, while 166 issues remained unchanged.

Volume remained light as an estimated 300 million shares changed hands, compared with 459 million shares Wednesday.

Analysts said the correction had been expected, as factors such as uncertainty about the Middle East conflict and fundamental weakness have not changed.

Market watchers blamed the drop on profit-taking and arbitrage selling as

major market players stood back to await Middle East developments.

Brokers said the optimism about a resolution of the Middle East crisis evaporated with reports of Iraq's bid to make peace with Iran and tough words from President Bush.

The market interpreted Iraq's move as strengthening the hand of its dictator, Saddam Hussein.

But underlying the Middle East worries were intrinsic weaknesses in the Tokyo market, analysts said.

While oil-supply worries are receding, interest-rate fears are not, brokers said.

Arbitrage selling of the Nikkei-linked shares drove some investors to smaller stocks, analysts said.

While large-capital stocks such as Sony, Hitachi and Toshiba fell, smaller retailers, electronic game-makers and consumer-goods issues fared well.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange posted moderate gains in light trading as investors searched for bargains at lower levels.

The market's leading barometer, the Hang Seng Index, which surged 110.74 points Wednesday, added another 5.02 points to 3,183.29.

Among the narrower indexes, financials lost 9.17 points, utilities added 36.94, industrials slipped 6.04 and properties inched up 14.13 points.

An estimated 1.06 billion shares changed hands, compared with 1.43 billion shares Wednesday.

At the sound of the opening bell, strong profit-taking sliced more than 38 points off the market in early action, but some bargain-hunting took hold around midday, erasing most of the early losses.

In Singapore, stocks finished mixed in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange amid some profit taking and renewed concern over the Middle East crisis.

The key Straits Times Industrial Index, which climbed 35.68 points Wednesday, eased 1.04 points to 1,329.36. The narrower All Singapore Index rose 0.19 point to 382.16.

An estimated 71.1 million shares chnaged hands, compared with 85 million shares Wednesday.

Analysts said investors who were optimistic Wednesday that tensions in the Middle East were easing returned to their cautious stance.

On the trading floor, Perlis Plant paced the advancing issues followed by Sungei Way and Shell.

Magnum Corp. led the declining issues followed by GB Holdings and Golden Plus.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stock prices climbed more than 2 percent on the Stock Exchnage of Thailand.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand, or SET, Index closed surged 24.55 points to 934.13.

An estimated 4.1 billion shares changed hands, almost 2 billion shares more than Wednesday's volume.

Advances hammered declines, 141 to 44.

The best-performing sectors were banking, commerce, industry and textile.

In Seoul, stock prices on the Korea Stock Exchnage closed lower in modest trading.

The Korean Composite Stock Price Index fell 7.27 points to 625.03.

Declines outpaced advances 551 to 159, while 149 issues remained unchanged.

Analysts said prices eased as local institutional investors actively stepped into the market to reverse the market's recent bearish mood.

In Australia, stock prices on the Sydney Sharemarket closed lower in moderate trading amid some profit taking in the gold sector and the renewed selling in Tokyo.

The All Ordinaries index, which eased 1.0 point Wednesday, slipped 4.1 points to 1,558.9. The All Industrials index rose 2.1 points to 2,338.0 and the All Resources index fell 8.0 points to 953.8.

A weaker gold price triggered modest profit taking in the gold miners. Placer Pacific eased 8 cents to $3.60, Homestake Mining eased 3 cents to $1.50, Newmont slipped 2 cents to $1.18, Kidston lost 7 cents to $2.78 and WMC Mining lost 8 cents to $5.48.

Oil issues ended mixed in line with a weaker oil price. BHP fell 10 cents to $11.10 while Santos Oil rose 3 cents to $4.93.

Elsewhere, there was some scattered buying in the industrials in the wake of rumors that the Australian government was about to ease local interest rates.

In the banks, NAB lost 2 cents to $6.70 and ANZ Bank fell 3 cents to $4.64.

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#90228u0775 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - More than 4,500 foreigners including two Americans crossed into Jordan Thursday from Iraq, Jordanian sources said, and Iraq made good on its peace overture to Iran by offering to release 2,000 Iranian prisoners a day.

The two Americans who arrived were the first U.S. citizens to cross into Jordan from Iraq since a group of 11 Americans - diplomats, their dependents and a 10-year-old girl - arrived in the Jordanian capital of Amman Saturday after being turned back at the border twice.

Three Britons and a French citizen also were among the 4,500 foreigners who crossed into Jordan, the sources said. It was not clear how the foreigners left Iraq or under what terms.

Iraqi officials have said thousands of foreigners in Iraq were ''safe and secure'' and their departures had been delayed as a precautionary measure.

Tens of thousands of foreigners, including some 3,000 Americans, remain trapped in Iraq and Iraq-occupied Kuwait. Arab nationals have found it easier to leave Iraq.

The exodus was reported as the Iraqi News Agency said Iraq would release on a daily basis 2,000 Iranians captured during the eight-year war with Iraq that ended in 1988, as the focus of the Persian Gulf crisis shifted to a potentially pivotal meeting between President Bush and Jordan's King Hussein in Maine.

As Iraq continued its peace overture to old foe Iran, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tarek Aziz said his nation is willing to discuss with the United States a settlement to the Persian Gulf crisis without conditions but accused Washington of repeatedly rejecting Baghdad's overtures.

Aziz also issued a warning to the United States during an interview Wednesday on the ABC News program ''Nightline'' in the Iraqi capital.

"If they want to talk to us in a civilized respectable manner, we are ready,'' Aziz said. But if war breaks out, he said, ''The American government will lose that war and it will be humiliated. We don't want to

see America humiliated. We don't want to fight the Americans. We don't want to kill the Americans.''

Aziz said Iraq's offer to start a direct dialogue with the United States without conditions has been rejected by Washington several times. The State Department had no immediate comment on Aziz's contention.

Earlier Wednesday, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the United States was not looking to make any deals with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Instead, Fitzwater said Washington wanted the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of all Iraqi troops that invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 in a land and oil dispute.

President Bush said Wednesday in an address to some 2,000 Pentagon employees, ''No one should doubt (the United States') staying power or determination'' in its efforts to defend Saudi Arabia and restore to power Kuwait's ousted leadership.

As U.S. and Iraqi leaders expressed their resolve, Washington continued to expand its military might in the region in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and its massing of troops on the Saudi border. Saudi Arabia is one of the United States' biggest oil suppliers.

The Pentagon said it is sending radar-evading F-117 ''stealth'' fighter-bombers to the Middle East, first used in combat during the U.S. invasion of Panama in December.

The Bush administration also was considering mobilizing the reserves to help fill in for troops going to Saudi Arabia, and a fourth aircraft carrier, the USS John F. Kennedy, left port for the Middle East. The United States has sent 55 warships to the region as part of an international naval force.

The Pentagon said 45,000 heavily armed Marines were arriving in Saudi Arabia to confront Iraq in Operation Desert Shield, joining 26,000 U.S. troops already in the oil-rich kingdom. The overseas buildup is the United States' biggest since the Vietnam War.

On the diplomatic front, Jordan's King Hussein was in the United States for a meeting Thursday with Bush at the president's vacation home in Maine. Hussein brought with him a Jordanian-Iraqi plan for solving the gulf crisis.

An Arab diplomat said the plan called for an international conference to settle the gulf dispute, provided no more troops are sent into the area.

Jordan, as Iraq's only route to bypassing an U.N.-mandated trade embargo, has been thrust into the middle of the crisis. Jordan is permitting its

Red Sea port of Aqaba to allow in limited shipments of food and other material, which is then sent to Iraq over land.

Sources said shipping into the port had diminished Wednesday and there was no new cargo to unload.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

Batting

(Minimum 275 at-bats)

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	355	84	117	.330
Griffey, Sea	458	72	148	.323
Palmeiro, Tex	431	54	138	.320
Harper, Min	355	49	112	.315
Brett, KC	404	61	126	.312
Sheffield, Mil	395	57	123	.311
Quintana, Bos	352	41	109	.310
JoReed, Bos	420	53	130	.310
Boggs, Bos	446	66	138	.309
Trammell, Det	434	53	134	.309

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	419	84	146	.348
McGee, StL	455	68	154	.338
Magadan, NY	300	51	99	.330
Dawson, Chi	379	51	125	.330
Bonds, Pit	372	80	118	.317
Gwynn, SD	461	66	146	.317
Murray, LA	390	65	122	.313
Sandberg, Chi	467	89	145	.310
Jefferies, NY	431	73	133	.309
Larkin, Cin	445	60	135	.303

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 36; J.Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 30; McGriff, Tor 27; Gruber, Tor 23.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 28; Strawberry, NY 27; Mitchell, SF 26; Bonilla, Pit 25; Bonds, Pit 23.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 93; Gruber, Tor 83; J.Canseco, Oak 82; McGwire, Oak 78; Bell, Tor 73.

National League - Carter, SD 93; Williams, SF 89; Bonds, Pit 88; Bonilla, Pit 78; Strawberry, NY 77.

Doubles

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos 38; Boggs, Bos and Brett, KC 33; Calderon, Chi and Puckett, Min 32.

National League - Wallach, Mtl 32; Dykstra, Phi 31; Jefferies, NY 30; Sabo Cin and Bonilla, Pit 29.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 15; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos 7; Polonia, Cal, Johnson, Chi, Webster, Cle, Eisenreich, KC; Pettis, Tex and Felix, Tor 6.

National League -Duncan, Cin and L.Smith, Atl 8; Coleman and Thompson, StL and Gwynn, SD 7.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 49; Sax, NY 30; Calderon, Chi 29; Pettis, Tex 28; Kelly, NY 26.

National League - Coleman, StL 60; Yelding, Hou 47; Bonds, Pit 38; Nixon, Mtl 37; Samuel, LA and Raines, Mtl 35.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 84; Fielder, Det 75; McGriff, Tor and Yount, Mil 74; Griffey, Sea 72.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 89; Bonilla, Pit 88; Dykstra, Phi 84; Bonds, Pit 80; Sabo, Cin 78.

Hits

American League - Griffey, Sea 148; Palmeiro, Tex and Boggs, Bos 138; Seitzer, KC and Trammell, Det 134.

National League - McGee, StL 154; Dykstra, Phi 146; Gwynn, SD 146; Sandberg, Chi 145; Alomar, SD 137.

Pitching
Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 19; Clemens, Bos and Stewart, Oak 17; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 15.

National League - Martinez, LA, Drabek, Pit and Viola, NY 15; Browning and Armstrong, Cin, and Gooden, NY 12.

Earned Run Average
(Minimum 100 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 2.06; Finley, Cal 2.36; Stewart, Oak 2.43; McCaskill, Cal 2.96; Welch, Oak 3.08.

National League - Tudor, StL 2.45; Whitson, SD 2.62; Viola, NY 2.73; Gardner, Mtl 2.85; Drabek, Pit 2.88.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 175; Witt, Tex 162; Hanson, Sea 152; Ryan, Tex 150; Johnson, Sea 147.

National League - Martinez, LA 176; Cone, NY 152; Gooden, NY 150; DeLeon, StL, 130; Martinez, Mtl 129.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi 38; Eckersley, Oak 37; Jones, Cle 32; Schooler, Sea 29; Olson, Bal 27.

National League - Franco, NY 26; Myers, Cin 24; Smith, StL 21; Smith, Hou, 19; Lefferts, SD 18.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 8; Brown, Tex and Young, Sea 6; Morris, Det Saberhagen, KC, Leary, NY and Clemens, Bos 5.

National League - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA, Martinez, Mtl and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl, Maddux, Chi, Belcher, LA, Drabek, Pit and Hurst, SD 5.

Shutouts

American League - Stewart, Oak and Clemens, Bos 3; nine players tied with 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl and Viola, NY 3; 13 pitchers tied with 2.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - President Bush meets today with Jordan's King Hussein, and later talks with two Saudi Arabian officials, the foreign minister and the Saudi ambassador to the United States. King Hussein reportedly is carrying a message from Iraq's President Saddam Hussein. The message is said to be a Jordanian-Iraqi proposal to end the Persian Gulf crisis.

Iranian newspapers are proclaiming victory for their nation, following Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's peace proposal yesterday. A Persian language paper said in its main headline, ''Congratulations on the great victory to the Iranian revolutionary nation.'' Saddam offers to end remaining disputes between the two countries that fought a bitter eight-year Persian Gulf war.

Police in South Africa say factional fighting this week in black townships near Johannesburg has now claimed more than 145 lives. Mobs attacked passengers on a train in Soweto township today, and clashes erupted elsewhere in the township. At least two people were found stabbed near the railway station, and a third was found burned to death.

Soviet President Gorbachev has restored Soviet citizenship to Nobel laureate Alexander Solzhenitsyn and 22 other writers, scientists and intellectuals exiled for their political beliefs. An aide to Gorbachev confirms reports that a blanket decree yesterday included Solzhenitsyn, who was kicked out of his country in 1974 and now lives in Vermont.

Engineers are getting ready to test the radar aboard the Magellan probe that has been safely orbiting the planet Venus since Friday. They'll begin bouncing cloud-piercing radar beams off Venus today as they start checking out the robot craft's ability to map the planet's hidden surface.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for August 15: Purchases of 430,667 shares and sales of 421,237 shares including 7,591 shares sold short.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - Showers soaked the southern third of the nation this

morning from Nevada to Florida, with cities near Las Vegas hit by flash floods. The National Weather Service says thunderstorms blew through the Southern Plains, dumping heavy rain over western Texas, eastern New Mexico and Northern Arkansas. Harrison, Arkansas, got more than three inches of rain.

The head of a House Democratic task force says the leaders of El Salvador's armed forces are ''engaged in a conspiracy to obstruct justice'' in the probe of last year's killings of six Jesuit priests. Massachusetts Representative Joseph Moakley says task force investigators visited El Salvador last week.

Reports say Donald Trump could end up almost 300-Million dollars in the hole if he is forced to sell off his assets at bargain prices. Accountants also place much lower values on several of his trophy properties, including the Plaza Hotel in New York. The filings were released by the New Jersey Casino Control Commission after Trump's lawyers lost a court bid to keep them sealed.

It was 13 years ago today that Elvis Presley died at age 42, and thousands of fans are flocking to his mansion in Memphis, Tennessee, to remember the king. Elvis International Tribute Week marks the anniversary of his death on August 16th, 1977. He collapsed in an upstairs bedroom of the Graceland mansion.

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INVERNESS, FL (AUG. 16) UPI - A prisoner has sued his jailers for more than $50,000, saying they discriminated against him by separating him from the gay lover he was arrested with.

Charles L. Miller, 23, of Crystal River, filed a handwritten lawsuit Tuesday saying that he and his 19-year-old best friend and lover were harassed and discriminated against at the Citrus County Jail because they are homosexuals.

Sheriff's Cpl. Diane Merceus, a jailer, is named in the lawsuit as a co-defendant with the Citrus County Jail and the Citrus County Sheriff's Office.

In a telephone call Wednesday to the Tampa Tribune, Miller said he and his lover, whose identity was not released, were singled out because of their sexual preference.

''They know me and him are gay and they're just doing this out of the evil in their hearts because they have the power,'' Miller said.

Miller and the other inmate were arrested Aug. 1 in a car that was reported stolen, according to sheriff's records. Miller is charged with grand theft of an automobile, his friend with being a fugitive from burglary and drug charges.

Miller said he thinks authorities are worried the two would have sex if they were allowed to be together.

''How can they jump to the conclusion that just because we're gay we're going to have sex together?'' he asked. ''We know the rules. We respect the rules of the institution.''

Jail Administrator Roberta Moffatt said inmates are not allowed to receive messages except through the mail, nor did she know know Miller had been permitted to telephone the newspaper. She refused to allow the second inmate to be interviewed.

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#90228u0868 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 16) UPI - After a 2 1/2 year struggle to emerge from bankruptcy, Allegheny International Inc. will have to wait a little longer for its new owner to assume control.

Japonica Partners, an investment group based in New York and Rhode Island, was scheduled to take over the troubled appliance maker Wednesday but the deal was delayed until Sept. 7. AI management confirmed the delay but gave no details.

A lawyer involved in the bankrtupcy court proceedings said the arrangement hit a snag when AI failed to obtain approval from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for a license transfer.

Robert Sable, an attorney for AI's committee of unsecured creditors, said AI needed the NRC's permission to transfer control of its former Chemetron subsidiary.

''The change in control of the license needs NRC approval or there could be all kinds of sanctions,'' he said.

Chemetron obtained a license in the 1960s for one of its facilities to manufacture a product that used a radioactive substance. The facility has since been sold.

But ''once you have that license, there are certain reporting requirements and certain clean-up requirements,'' Sable said. He said the NRC typically takes two weeks to process such requests.

Japonica will own about 90 percent of stock in AI when it emerges from Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. The company's name will be changed to Sunbeam/Oster Companies and its headquarters will be kept in Pittsburgh.

To complete the acquisition, Japonica must provide $110 million in cash or a bank letter of credit to cover working capital and administrative costs, along with $97 million the group says already has been promised by its chief backers - Steinhardt Partners and Mutual Shares - to help pay bank and trade creditor claims.

Japonica also must pay a maximum of $94.9 million to exercise a so-called put agreement with creditors and shareholders. The investors have said there will be no problem obtaining financial commitments to finance the takeover.

The group, led by former Goldman Sachs & Co. investment bankers Paul Kazarian and Michael Lederman, already has spent $125 million to buy claims against AI and will use $270 million in AI's cash to complete the transaction.

Creditors and shareholders will be paid primarily in new stock and warrants. However, the put agreement requires Japonica to repurchase those securities, as well as AI's current stock, from anyone who wants to sell within 45 days.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $402.30, silver base of $5.11 and platinum price of $496.50:

Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz. $418.80	416.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz. 214.70	213.70
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz. 110.30	109.70
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz. 45.50	45.30
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz. 418.80	416.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz. 214.70	213.70
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz. 110.80	110.20
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz. 45.50	45.30
China Panda, 1 troy oz. 425.60	423.60
China Panda .50 troy oz. 219.20	218.20
China Panda .25 troy oz. 113.70	113.20
China panda 1-10 troy oz. 49.10	48.90
China panda 1-20 troy oz. 29.30	29.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz. 418.80	416.80
British Britannia, .50 troy oz 214.10	213.10
British Britannia, .25 troy oz. 108.00	107.50

British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	46.50	46.80
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	417.40	415.80
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	215.80	215.10
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	110.80	110.30
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	47.00	46.90
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	417.30	415.70
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	214.60	213.80
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	90.90	90.60
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	47.60	47.40
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.10	24.00

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.51	$6.54
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,660	$3,680
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,575	$1,575

Platinum		
Australian Koala	521.00	521.00
Isle of Man Noble	509.00	509.00
Canada Maple Leaf	526.00	526.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - The Labor Department says consumer prices rose four-tenths of one percent in July, with housing and food costs contributing to the jump. Housing rose nine-tenths of one percent- the same as June- and food prices gained four-tenths of one percent, the second straight monthly increase. Energy costs eased a bit, falling seven-tenths of one percent in July. However, higher August prices are expected because of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. For the first seven months of 1990, inflation is running at an annual rate of five-point-eight percent.

Bad news for the building and real estate industries this morning. The Commerce Department reports new housing starts fell by two-point-six percent in July. The figures have dropped for six months in a row and are at their lowest level since the 1982 recession, highlighting a struggling domestic economy. Only the western states experienced an increase in new

housing starts last month.

President Bush and Jordan's King Hussein meet at the president's vacation home in Kennebunkport, Maine, this afternoon to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. The Bush adminstration is taking a low-key attitude about the meeting, but it's clear the talks may have an important impact on the crisis. Hussein is believed to be carrying a Jordanian-Iraqi peace plan.

Iranian newspapers are proclaiming victory over Baghdad, one day after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein made a peace offering to settle more than a decade of hostilities. Saddam says Iraqi troops will begin pulling away from border positions tomorrow and indicated there will be a prisoner exchange. The Iranian papers also criticize American intervention in the Middle East.

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#90228u0901 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - A pro-Syrian Lebanese newspaper is quoting well-informed diplomatic sources as saying the Persian Gulf crisis has renewed efforts to free the Western hostages being held in Lebanon. The report says a ''staged process'' will lead an imminent breakthrough in the hostage situation during the next few days. A Swiss hostage was released earlier this week.

The U-N Food and Agriculture Organization does NOT have good news about the world's tropical forests. In a report released in Kenya yesterday, the organization says tropical forests are disappearing twice as fast as estimated 10 years ago. In 1980, 37-thousand square miles of tropical forest land was deforested. 10 years later, 66-thousand square miles were felled- an area the size of Oklahoma.

A Japanese climber was rescued today from a mountain north of Wellington, New Zealand, after surviving five days of blizzard conditions. Earlier this week, six soldiers froze to death on the North Island mountain. 27-year-old Jojo Iwama says he listened with fear to reports of the soldiers' deaths and stalled rescue efforts to find him. Iwama says he tried to climb down the mountain Saturday, but was hampered by weather conditions.

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#90228u0907 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (AUG. 16) UPI - Iraq allowed more than 4,500 foreigners, including two Americans, to cross its border into Jordan Thursday and extended its peace overture to former enemy Iran by offering to repatriate 2,000 Iranian prisoners a day.

As Jordan's King Hussein prepared to meet with President Bush on the Middle East situation, Western diplomats monitoring the Persian Gulf crisis raised doubts about reports of a possible assassination attempt on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The reports, which the diplomats could not confirm, were carried by Egypt's semi-official Middle East New Agency and quoted Egyptian workers returning home from Iraq.

''People returning back home from Iraq via Jordan talked about wide-scale arrests of military people and civilians in Iraq which took place Wednesday,'' MENA said, ''and said the arrests included tens of officers of various ranks particularly smaller ranks, in what apparently is believed to be part of an assassination attempt against Saddam at the hands of poeple close to Saddam.''

The report comes amid a propoganda war between Iraq and Egypt, which has been consistantly assailing Saddam and his role in the Arab world. Egypt Thursday deployed a second contingent of troops to stand alongside U.S. military forces in Saudi Arabia to deter further Iraqi aggression.

The two Americans who arrived in Jordan were the first U.S. citizens to cross into Jordan from Iraq since a group of 11 Americans arrived in the Jordanian capital of Amman Saturday after being turned back at the border twice.

The estimated 4,700 foreigners who crossed into Jordan Thursday were mostly Egyptians but three Britons and a French citizen were among them, Jordanian sources said.

Iraqi officials have said tens of thousands of foreigners, including about 3,000 Americans, in Iraq and Iraq-occupied Kuwait were ''safe and secure'' and their departures had been delayed as a precautionary measure.

The focus of the crisis created by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and annexation of Kuwait, meanwhile, shifted to a potentially pivotal meeting between President Bush and King Hussein in Maine.

Jordanian officials say Hussein is carrying a peace initiative that he drafted jointly this week with Saddam. CBS news quoted Jordanian sources as saying Saddam is proposing that U.S. troops levels in Saudi Arabia be frozen and that an international conference be convened to consider terms for withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

But White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the administration had no indication of what, if any, message Hussein may have.

Jordan, as Iraq's only route to bypassing an U.N. trade embargo, has been thrust into the middle of the crisis. Jordan is permitting its Red Sea port of Aqaba to allow in limited shipments of food and other material,

which is then sent to Iraq over land.

Iraq has begun wooing non-Arab Iran in an effort to seek new alliances amid a tighting trade embargo and U.S.-led military buildup and it stepped up its anti-American rhetoric Thursday hours after Iraqi Foreign Minister Tarek Aziz said his nation is willing to discuss a settlement with the United States.

In an interview with ABC from Baghdad, Aziz said Iraq's offer to start a direct dialogue with Washington without conditions had been rejected several times. The Bush administration has consistently said it wanted the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of all Iraqi troops in Kuwait.

''If they want to talk to us in a civilized respectable manner, we are ready,'' Aziz said. But if war breaks out, he said, ''the American government will lose that war and it will be humiliated. We don't want to see America humiliated. We don't want to fight the Americans. We don't want to kill the Americans.''

Bush has ordered tens of thousands of U.S. troops into Saudi Arabia last week to counter any further Iraqi aggression in the oil-rich region. Saudi Arabia is one of the United States' biggest oil suppliers.

Egypt deployed a second detachment of troops to Saudi Arabia Thursday but it was not clear how many Egyptian soldiers were involved, Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported. Quoting an Egyptian Defense Ministry source the Asharq al Awsat reported the troop level of Egyptian forces could reach 50,000.

Moroccan troops also have been deployed in Saudi Arabia and Syrian officials are organizing a contingent to participate in an Arab force created by the Arab League to protect the region from Iraqi aggression.

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#90228u0909 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - New housing construction plunged 2.6 percent in July, for the sixth consecutive monthly drop, to the lowest level since the 1982 recession, the Commerce Department said Thursday.

''It looks like we're going to have housing leading the economy into recession,'' said David Seiders, chief economist for the National Association of Home Builders.

Only the western states experienced an increase in housing starts in July.

Despite lower mortgage rates last month, consumers steered clear of the housing market because of the possibility of losing their jobs in the

weakening economy, analysts said.

Blaming the careening housing construction figures on ''underlying weakness in buyer demand,'' Seiders predicted the United States will be mired in a recession from October to March.

The Commerce Department said applications for new housing permits also fell 2.6 percent last month in another wave of bad news for the battered building and real estate industries.

The last time new housing construction fell for six straight months was from June 1981 to November 1981, also during the worst recession since the Great Depression of the 1930s, a government spokesman said.

July's annual rate of 1.148 million housing starts was the weakest showing since 1.148 million in September 1982, according to data compiled by the department's Census Bureau.

''It's pretty much in the doldrums. It's pretty much broad based. The whole housing sector is weak,'' said Robert Rosenblatt, an economist at the Mortgage Bankers Association, who also forsees a recession.

Single-family housing construction slid 1.4 percent in July, while construction of apartment building with two, three and four units tumbled by 13.5 percent and construction of apartment buildings with more than five units dropped 5.4 percent.

''The multi-family side is (already) in deep recession,'' Seiders said. ''On the single-family side we see this gradual erosion, but it hasn't fallen off the cliff yet.''

By region, new housing construction fell 5.3 percent in July in the Northeast, declined 5.5 percent in the Midwest, plunged 6.7 percent in the South, but increased 8.1 percent in the West.

In June, total housing starts fell a revised 2.2 percent after dipping 0.8 percent in May. The last monthly advance, in January, was attributed to unseasonably warm weather across the nation.

The Commerce Department also said that new housing construction permits were up a revised 4 percent in June after falling 3.8 percent in May.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst Hi Lo Pcp

Albuquerque pc	79	60	....
Anchorage cy	66	54	....
Asheville pc	87	64	....
Atlanta pc	92	72	....
Baltimore pc	84	68	....
Billings sy	98	66	....
Birmingham pc	96	68	....
Bismarck sy	93	65	....
Boston sy	82	67	....
Brownsville pc	95	76	....
Buffalo pc	78	67	....
Burlington Vt. cy	80	65	.19
Charleston S.C.cy	87	79	....
Charlotte ts	90	71	.15
Chicago pc	83	64	....
Cincinnati pc	80	63	....
Cleveland sy	80	66	....
Columbus Ohio pc	82	59	....
Dallas sy	95	77	....
Denver pc	81	55	.43
Des Moines pc	84	67	....
Detroit sy	83	65	....
Duluth pc	76	51	....
El Paso pc	86	66	.01
Evansville cy	85	69	....
Fargo sy	86	63	....
Hartford sy	82	60	....
Honolulu sy	90	77	....
Houston pc	97	74	....
Indianapolis pc	81	61	....
Jackson Miss. pc	97	71	....
Jacksonville pc	93	74	....
Kansas City ts	81	69	2.59
Las Vegas sy	85	70	....
Little Rock pc	91	71	1.49
Los Angeles pc	75	67	....
Louisville pc	86	66	....
Memphis pc	92	75	....
Miami Beach pc	85	82	....
Milwaukee pc	88	68	....
Minneapolis pc	83	62	....
Nashville pc	89	66	....
New Orleans sy	94	72	....
New York pc	85	68	....
Oklahoma City pc	84	70	.13
Omaha cy	83	69	....
Orlando pc	89	73	....
Philadelphia sy	86	69	....

Phoenix f	88	78	.51
Pittsburgh pc	81	60	....
Portland Me. sy	81	61	....
Portland Ore. cy	76	61	....
Providence sy	81	59	....
Richmond pc	86	69	....
St. Louis ts	77	71	.14
Salt Lake City cy	85	69	....
San Antonio pc	95	78	....
San Diego pc	76	69	....
San Francisco pc	69	59	....
San Juan pc	89	77	....
Seattle cy	75	60	....
Spokane f	83	57	....
Tampa pc	89	75	....
Washington pc	86	72	....
Wichita pc	83	73	.08

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 78.50-81.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 140.00-141.40 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 52.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary

(secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $265.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.00-$115.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $476.75-$481.50; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $114.00-$122.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 287.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-87.25 c-lb.

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#90228u0981 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

MEMPHIS, TN (AUG. 16) UPI - Hundreds of red roses covered the grave of Elvis Presley Thursday - the 13th anniversary of his death - while more than 8,000 fans paid tribute with a candlelight vigil that lasted almost until dawn.

Graceland officials said the estimated 8,000 fans who began the vigil at 10 p.m. Wednesday and continued until near first light was the largest crowd since the 10,000-plus who took part on the 10th anniversary of the death of the ''King of Rock 'n' Roll.''

The vigil was the highlight of Elvis International Tribute Week. Thousands of Elvis fans flock to Memphis each year to commemorate Presley's death on Aug. 16, 1977, at 42.

Presley collapsed in an upstairs bedroom of the pink marble home. Although

his death was attributed to heart failure, the autopsy report, which has never been released, reportedly showed drugs in his system.

Bill Rowe, of Dayton, Ohio, was the first fan in line for the vigil, getting in line at 8 a.m. Wednesday to be the first to follow Elvis's aunt Lois Black, and four of her friends up the walkway at Graceland to Meditation Gardens.

''It's a chance for everybody to show the world he hasn't been forgotten '' Rowe said.

Presley has been far from forgotten.

A never-before-released recording by Presley is included on an RCA release this week - ''Elvis: The Great Performances.'' One of the releases is ''My Happines,'' one of two songs from the 1953 recording Elvis made for his mother at Sun Studio.

The recording was missing for years before resurfacing two years ago in the hands of retired Florida pilot Ed Leek, who had received it from Elvis.

Sue Fakes, of Calgary, Alberta, said Elvis is her inspiration.

''Elvis is No. 1 in my life,'' Fakes said. ''He's been there for me since I was 8 years old, pulled me through good times and bad times. He's an inspiration. He was such a humanitarian and his music was great, too.''

Such are the sentiments of most Elvis fans - from the sequined-costumed impersonators to the 8-year-old members of Elvis's youngest fan club.

Among those taking part in the activities Wednesday was Kim Epperley of Roanoke, Va., who has in her yard a miniature Graceland where Presley croons and gyrates every evening. The exhibit comes complete with an audience of 30 Barbie dolls and a backup band, all stuffed inside a 3-foot-tall coliseum dubbed Presley Hall.

Epperly said part of her was in Roanoke - where about 100 people made their annual pilgrimage to her front yard for Roanoke's version of the vigil.

''People don't really know what the Elvis fans are about,'' Epperly said. ''They call us nuts. We're not nuts. We're just trying to carry on what Elvis did and that was to make people happy.

''Elvis affects all kinds of people,'' said Epperley, her voice sounding a little sadder as she talked about his death. ''When he passed away, you just never had thought about Elvis leaving us. You just assumed he would grow old with you.''

Although many Memphians complain about the Elvis fanatics who invade their city each August, Memory Lane Inn manager Bruce Harrison says he loves Elvis and his fans.

Fans fill up the motel just down the street from Graceland each year, taking advantage of 24-hour-a-day Elvis programming, the guitar-shaped pool and pictures of Elvis in each room.

''Elvis fans don't steal,'' Harrison said. ''They've turned me into an Elvis fan. You never get tired of Elvis standing behind this desk. I was lukewarm about Elvis before but I've even gone home and dreamed about him.''

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#90228u0986 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

BAALBECK, LEBANON (AUG. 16) UPI - A Lebanese magazine reported Thursday a preliminary breakthrough in negotiations over Western hostages in Lebanon but a pro-Iranian leader later ruled out freedom for the six abducted Americans.

''I exclude the release of any of the U.S. hostages because of the aggressive policy adopted by the United States in the region and its intervention in the gulf against the Moslems,'' said Seyyed Hussein Musawi leader of the Iranian-backed Islamic Amal movement, at his residence in Baalbeck, an ancient city 50 miles east of Beirut.

The pro-Syrian publication As-Safir, quoting well-informed diplomatic sources, said ''positive developments concerning the destiny of Western captives kidnapped in Lebanon will occu crisis in the Persian Gulf had revived efforts to release 14 Western hostages, including six Americans, held in Lebanon by pro-Iranian Shiite Moslems.

''Clandestine contacts have been conducted involving concerned countries, notably Tehran, as well as Lebanese and Palestinian parties,'' the pro-Syrian As-Safir said.

The newspaper said the release of Swiss national Elio Erriquez this week ''constituted the beginning of a staged process (to free the hostages) that will be concluded by the end of this year.''

''We have no knowledge of any breakthrough,'' a British embassy source told United Press International. ''Therefore, we cannot confirm the report by As-Safir.''

Erriquez was released along with Swiss colleague Emmanuel Christen within four days, reducing to 14 the number of Western captives in the

war-ravaged nation.

But the release of the two Swiss nationals, believed held by followers of Palestinian extremist leader Sabri Al Banna, widely known as Abu Nidal, were released after Switzerland paid an estimated $3 million ransom.

The fate of the Western hostages has been caught up with the recent developments in the gulf, brought to brink of war by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the United State's subsequent deployment of troops to the region.

Islamic Jihad, a shadowy pro-Iranian group that took responsiblity for kidnapping Americans Terry Anderson and Thomas Sutherland, had demanded the release of 16 Moslem Shiites serving prison terms in Kuwait for their involvement in bombing attacks. Iraq took the Shiites from the prison when it invaded Kuwait city, but there fate is not known.

Observers have speculated Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will use the 16 Shiites as leverage in any negotiations with the United States. He may also free the convicted men in order to demonstrate his good intentions to Iran, which is believed to control the Shiite groups that are holding the Western hostages in Lebanon.

Saddam made peace overtures to Iran Wednesday, urging the Iranians to lay aside the bitter 1980-1988 Iran-Iraq war and join forces against the United States.

''A way to prove his (Saddam's) good intention is by setting free those people who confrontated the United States's influence in the region,'' Musawi said of the 16 prisoners, who were found guilty of bombing Western embassies.

''We doubt that Saddam Hussein can make such a move (to free the prisoners) because he fears the Americans,'' he added.

The United States had applauded Kuwait for keeping the 16 Shiites behind bars, even though their release may have meant freedom for the two Americans.

Another Lebanese newspaper, the conservative Al Liwaa daily, reported Tuesday that four Belgian hostages, believed held by Abu Nidal's Fatah Revolutionary Council, would be released this week as a result of a deal between Belgium and the kidnappers.

''We have no comment on the report,'' said council spokesman Walid Khaled. ''Things have not been finalized yet.''

The four Belgians, a husband and wife and their two teenage children,

disappeared in 1987, reportedly when they were cruising in a pleasure boat in the Mediterranean.

The Belgians have not been counted with the 14 other Western hostages because the council is believed funded by Libya, not Iran.

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#90228u0989 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Amoco Canada Petroleum (2nd Q)	
$850,000,000	$828,000,000
d-$59,000,000	d-$71,000,000

d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Automatic Data (4th Q 6-30)	
$425,827,000	$418,054,000
$59,670,000 (.81)	$53,010,000 (.73)
CACI Intl (4th Q 6-30)	
$39,105,000	$35,967,000
$1,268,000 (.11)	$1,145,000 (.10)
Dollar General (2nd Q 7-31)	
$153,012,000	$146,608,000
$2,548,000 (.14)	$2,756,000 (.15)
Emulex Corp (4th Q 7-1)	
$32,512,000	$36,905,000
$1,001,000 (.10)	$2,216,000 (.20)
Gap Inc (2nd Q 8-4)	
$405,000,000	$326,000,000
$19,200,000 (.54)	$14,100,000 (.40)
Hewlett-Packard (3rd Q 7-31)	
$3,242,000,000	a-$3,001,000,000
$178,000,000 (.73)	$187,000,000 (.79)

a-Reflects just two months of results of Apollo Computer Inc., which was acquired in May 1989.

Hollinger Inc (6 Mos 6-30)	
$383,000,000	$386,900,000

$33,800,000 (.43) $37,000,000 (.57)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Intertan Inc (4th Q 6-30)
$145,201,000 $130,822,000
$1,792,000 (.20) $5,088,000 (.58)

Landmark Land (2nd Q)
$103,124,000 $154,531,000
d-$36,844,000 $18,047,000 (2.21)
d-Deficit.

Quixote Corp (4th Q 6-30
$25,464,000 $15,202,000
a-$1,752,000 (.24) $1,390,000 (.18)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Reader's Digest (4th Q 6-30)
$479,879,000 $419,516,000
$19,994,000 (.16) $10,391,000 (.09)

Rose's Stores (2nd Q 7-28)
$352,116,000 $347,291,000
a-$481,000 (.02) d-$1,751,000
a-Includes one-time pre-tax gain of about $5,400,000 resulting from the sale of Rose's shoe operation to J. Baker Inc. The company said the impact of this gain was partially offset by an increased LIFO charge.

Sea Container Ltd (2nd Q)
$90,415,000 $238,967,000
a-$141,780,000 (25.50) $16,437,000 (1.22)
a-Includes a $130,000,000 gain on container assets.

Westbridge Computer (1st Q 6-30
$28,502,000 $35,423,000
d-$58,000 $2,211,000 (.29)
d-Deficit.

Western Financial (2nd Q)
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d-$7,437,000 $543,000 (.25)
d-Deficit.

Westmin Resources (2nd Q)
$38,284,000 $52,771,000
d-$657,000 a-$3,872,000
a-Preferred dividend requirements exceeded net income.
d-Deficit.

Amounts in Canadian dollars.

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#90228u0997 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
IRVING, TX (AUG. 16) UPI - Former All-Pro running back Tony Dorsett has taken his first major step toward an NFL comeback with a workout for Cowboys Director of Pro Personnel John Wooten at the Cowboys headquarters.

Dorsett, 36, who finished his 12-year career with the Denver Broncos, says its the first time he has done any kind of sprint work or hard cuts since he seriously injured his left knee in a non-contact drill in last summer, during Broncos training camp.

Dorsett initiated the workout to see if there is any point in pursuing a comeback with the Cowboys or another NFL team.

''The main concern is whether or not I can play again. From today, I feel I can,'' Dorsett said after Wednesday's workout.

Dorsett had 11 seasons with Dallas (1977-87) and became the team's all-time leading rusher with just over 12,036 yards. He is the NFL's No. 2 all-time leading rusher with 12,739 yards.

He and Wooten were pleased with the workout and Dorsett's rehabilitated knee. He underwent major reconstructive surgery after the injury which prompted his retirement six months ago.

Wooten will recommend to Cowboys coach Jimmy Johnson that running backs coach Joe Brodsky work with Dorsett when the team returns from California next week. If the Cowboys have no interest in Dorsett, another NFL team probably will at least look at him, Wooten said.

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#90228u1006 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
WITH U.S. FORCES IN SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 16) UPI - A U.S. military field hospital set up on the sands of this desert kingdom is prepared to treat American casualties if Iraqi forces employ chemical warfare.

Air Force Maj. Rich Williams, the hospital commander, said Thursday any injured soldiers would go to a decontamination unit in the hospital complex where gas would be washed from their bodies before they were treated.

The first U.S. field hospital in the kingdom resembles the M.A.S.H. unit in the movie and the television series of the same name.

In the largest U.S. military deployment since the Vietnam War, a tent city to house a fighter wing took shape near the hospital.

Complete with air conditioning and the 50-bed hospital, the tents will house at least 1,100 men and women of the 1st Tactical Fighter Wing from Langley Air Force Base in Virginia.

Host Saudi forces cleared two elementary schools so American personnel would have air conditioned places to sleep and rest.

''This is an awesome airlift,'' said Col. John McBroom, the wing commander as the desert base took shape. ''You don't get them any bigger than this.''

The heat was so intense that troops putting up tents could work only 20 minutes at a stretch before resting and drinking water. They are told to drink a quart of water an hour.

''I just got kind of nauseous and weak,'' said an airman from Sarasota, Fla., who was treated at the hospital for heat stress, ''but I'll get back at it. That's what we're here for.''

The airman said he had been slinging a sledgehammer and had failed to take enough breaks.

The colonel added, ''Ninety-five percent of them will go so hard at it, even in this heat, that you have to pull them back.''

Air Force officials said about 15 cases of minor heat stress a day require treatment.

Although U.S. forces are told to drink six gallons of water a day, some of those interviewed said they are finding it difficult to adjust to the desert heat.

''We'll never get used to it,'' an Air Force captain said. ''All we can do is drink and drink and complain a bit.''

U.S. Air Force crew chiefs told American reporters Thursday that Iraqi jet pilots have several times retreated after weapons systems aboard American jets locked onto their planes.

''They don't want to play with us,'' one said. ''If I were in a Mirage and an F-15 locked onto me, I'd get out of there fast too.''

McBroom refused to confirm the reports and said he has told his pilots not to discuss encounters with Iraqi jets.

''I'm not going to get into our encounters,'' he said. But he did say he considered U.S. air power here far superior to Iraq's.

''We're not over here to go to war,'' said the wing commander. ''We're over here to keep the peace. We will not start a war but we will finish one quickly in the air.''

Another officer and several crew chiefs said weapons systems aboard U.S. F-15s have locked onto Iraqi jets several times during flight missions near the Kuwaiti-Saudi border.

''One of my pilots told me they turn and run as soon as the radar locks on '' one crew chief said.

Another said, ''There's been a little cat-and-mouse but when the weapons lock on, they're gone.''

When asked again later about the encounters reported by crew chiefs, McBroom said: ''All I'll do is remind you our radar can lock on at a pretty good range. Beyond that you'll have to ask the Iraqis.''

McBroom said the fighter unit felt somewhat vulnerable on the ground when his unit arrived last week but has coordinated missions with the Saudis and received powerful ground protection from other U.S. forces, including the massive Patriot ground to air missile systems.

American reporters visited the fighter wing Thursday morning at a Saudi air base where it has had few equipment problems associated with the heat. They said most planes are kept outdoors because their electronic systems can be temporarily affected when going from a cool to hot environment.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	56	13
Amsterdam pc	1pm	64	18
Ankara c	3pm	81	27
Athens c	2pm	89	32
Auckland cy	12a	57	14
Beijing c	8pm	79	26
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	76	25
Bonn cy	1pm	66	19
Brussels pc	1pm	68	20

Cairo c	2pm	90	32
Casablanca c	12n	77	25
Copenhagen cy	1pm	63	17
Dakar pc	12n	85	30
Dublin pc	1pm	59	15
Geneva c	1pm	77	25
Helsinki c	2pm	75	24
Hong Kong ts	8pm	77	25
Jerusalem c	2pm	84	29
Karachi c	5pm	91	33
Lisbon c	1pm	79	26
London pc	1pm	67	19
Madrid c	1pm	87	30
Malta pc	1pm	83	28
Manila pc	8pm	80	27
Moscow pc	3pm	70	21
Nairobi cy	3pm	68	20
Nassau c	7am	81	27
New Delhi cy	6pm	83	29
Nice c	1pm	80	27
Oslo cy	1pm	65	18
Paris pc	1pm	71	22
Pretoria c	2pm	64	18
Riyadh	3pm	109	43
Rome pc	1pm	79	26
Seoul r	9pm	69	21
Sofia c	2pm	85	30
Stockholm pc	1pm	70	21
Sydney c	10pm	52	11
Taipei r	8pm	82	28
Tokyo c	9pm	84	28
Tunis pc	1pm	92	34
Vienna c	1pm	86	30
Warsaw c	1pm	79	26

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	52	11
Caracas cy	8am	70	21
Havana c	7am	74	24
Lima cy	7am	59	15
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro pc	9am	80	26
Santiago fy	8am	32	00

Canada

Calgary pc		79	26
Edmonton r		76	24
Montreal c		73	22

Ottawa fy	69	20
Regina cy	93	33
Toronto pc	82	27
Vancouver cy	74	23
Winnipeg pc	82	27

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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(AUG. 16) UPI - Two Americans are among about 45-hundred foreigners who made it out of Iraq today. Jordanian sources reported that the 45-hundred foreigners crossed the border from Iraq into Jordan today and that the group also included three Britons and a French citizen. The Americans are the first to make it out of Iraq since Saturday. It is NOT clear yet how the group managed to get out of Iraq.

In Baghdad, the Iraqi News Agency said Iraq would release daily two-thousand Iranians captured during the eight-year Persian Gulf War with Iran. The prisoner release proposal is a furthering of yesterday's peace overture to the Iranians... action that could free up thousands of Iraqi troops to move from the Iranian border to into Kuwait and along the border with Saudi Arabia.

The focus of the Persian Gulf crisis is moving to a wood-shingled house near the sea in Maine. President Bush meets over lunch today with King Hussein of Jordan, who reportedly is carrying a secret message from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Bush is expected to seek Jordanian support for the U-N-declared economic boycott against Iraq. Iraqi goods have been moving through Jordan to Baghdad.

A pro-Syrian newspaper reports ''the beginning of a staged process'' leading to a break-through for Western hostages held captive in Lebanon. The paper quoted informed diplomatic sources as saying ''positive developments concerning the destiny of Western captives kidnapped in Lebanon will occur in the coming few days.'' But a British Embassy source told U-P-I that ''we have NO knowledge of any break-through'' and could NOT confirm the report.

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#90228u1032 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 16) UPI - The Labor Department says inflation at the consumer level jumped four-tenths of one percent as higher shelter and food costs offset a dramatic fall in energy prices. For the second month in a row, food prices gained four-tenths of one percent during July. Energy costs fell seven-tenths of one percent, with decreases in both household and motor fuels. But that's sure to be short-lived because gasoline prices rose in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait this month.

A companion report shows that real earnings for July rose three-tenths of one percent, NOT enough to beat the pace of rising prices. Weekly earnings have increased three-point-eight percent from year-ago levels.

There's NO sign of early recovery for the battered housing construction industry in a government report on new building during July. New housing construction plunged two-point-six percent, to an annual rate of one-pointMillion housing starts. It's the sixth consecutive monthly drop and the lowest level since the 1982 recession. Permits for new building also fell two-point-six percent. By region, new housing construction fell almost across-the-board. Only Western states had an increase during July.

An aide says Soviet President Gorbachev has restored Soviet citizenship to Nobel Prize-winning writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn, who now lives in Vermont. Solzhenitsyn was kicked out of the Soviet Union in 1974. The Soviet aide says Gorbachev issued a blanket decree that covered the writer and 22 other writers, scientists and intellectuals who were exiled because of their political beliefs.

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#90228u1043 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 16) UPI - Trading was choppy and grain and soybean futures were higher at midmorning Thursday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

The market was supported by follow-through buying, but met resistance at the highs and gave up some of the gains.

November soybeans rallied to $6.30 per bushel, which was the high for the week. Commercial and professional buying of soybeans was attributed to light country movement and steady basis levels.

Traders were on both sides of the corn market.

Gains in both corn and soybeans were limited by forecasts for rain and warmer weather through the weekend in much of the Midwest. However, soybeans had underlying support from predictions by some private

forecasters of frost in the northern portion of the Soybean Belt next week.

Wheat prices moved in a narrow range in relatively light activity.

South Korea and the Philippines bought a small quantity of wheat overnight otherwise the export market was quiet.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.48 1/4 up 3/4; Dec 2.44 3/4 up 1/2; Mar 2.53 up 1/2.

Soybeans Aug 6.13 unch; Sep 6.16 up 3/4; Nov 6.28 up 1; Jan 6.39 3/4 up 1/4.

Wheat Sep 2.85 1/2 up 3/4; Dec 2.99 3/4 up 3/4; Mar 3.08 1/2 up 1/4.

Oats Sep 1.18 up 1 1/4; Dec 1.29 3/4 up 1 1/4; Mar 1.40 1/4 up 1 1/4.

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#90228u1046 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (AUG. 16) UPI - Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani assured neighboring Turkey that, despite a peace offer from Baghdad, Iran still believes Iraqi troops should pull out of Kuwait, Tehran radio reported Thursday.

The assurance came in a telephone conversation between Rafsanjani and Turkish President Turgut Ozal following reports that Iraq had accepted all of Iran's demands for a settlement of the Iran-Iraq conflict, a Tehran radio dispatch monitored in Athens said.

Turkey has found itself in a front-line position in international efforts to contain Iraqi ambitions in the region and put its air force on alert following reports of an Iraqi troop buildup along the 200-mile border between the two countries.

Tehran radio quoted Rafsanjani as saying: ''The matter of our peace with Iraq is separate'' from Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. ''We still believe that Iraq must leave Kuwaiti soil so that necessary grounds are established for peace and calm in the region.''

Iraq and Iran fought each other in a bitter Persian Gulf war that lasted for eight years, ending with a cease-fire in August 1988. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, in a desperate bid for Arab support in the gulf region after he was spurned by most of his Arab allies following the invasion of Kuwait, unveiled a surprise peace package Wednesday for Iran.

The proposal includes an exchange of prisoners, a withdrawal of Iraqi

troops from occupied Iranian territory and surrender to Iranian demands to share a disputed strategic waterway.

Iranian newspapers Thursday praised Saddam for his overture to settle the conflict between the two longtime foes. The papers also berated U.S intervention in the region.

''Congratulations on the great victory to the Iranian revolutionary nation '' the Persian language Jomhuri Eslamis said in its main headline. The English Tehran Times called the initiative by Saddam to his Persian Gulf war foe ''a courageous move.''

As a gesture of good will, Saddam said Iraq would withdraw troops along the Iranian-Iraqi border beginning Friday, a move that would provide Saddam with more forces for a possible showdown along his border with Saudi Arabia, where tens of thousands of U.S. and British forces have been deployed.

Tehran radio said Thursday that representatives of the International Committee of the Red Cross visited Iranian prisoner-of-war camps in Iraq Thursday and were preparing to supervise the transfer home of the POWs.

The official Islamic Republic News Agency said there were 55,000 Iranian POWs in Iraq, but only 35,000 were registered with the ICRC. An estimated 70,000 Iraqi POWs are held in Iran.

Egyptian and Moroccan troops have been stationed on Saudi soil and a Syrian contingent is expected to join in the creation of a pan-Arab force in the region.

Saddam said he hoped Persian Iran could cooperate with Arab Moslem Iraq to fight the forces of evil in the region, an apparent reference to Western forces deployed in the gulf and in Saudi Arabia.

Iran interpreted the Iraqi initiative as tantamount to capitulation by Baghdad on its former demands, according to Tehran radio. Iraqi and Iranian officials still must confer on the proposal.

''Now in this very sensitive juncture with a lasting peace just round the corner, it is hoped that the responsible officials and policymakers of the nation will adopt a most suitable approach to the current crisis of the region,'' the Tehran Times said Thursday, as quoted by IRNA.

While the English daily Kayhan International said the Iraqi annexation of Kuwait was unacceptable, it also raised anti-American sentiments, charging the United States with fomenting tension between Iraq and Iran and attempting to orchestrate the latest developments in the current crisis.

Kayhan criticized the U.S. presence in the region as a pretext to dictate oil pricing policy and blasted Saudi Arabia's decision to allow deployment of foreign troops on Saudi soil. Saudi Arabia is home to Islam's two holiest cities, Mecca and Medina.

''The Americans must go and her allies must persuade her to do so before she drags the world into turmoil with vastly unpredictable consequences,'' the newspaper said. ''When that is accomplished dealing with Iraq can take place in an atmosphere of calm in the community of neighbors.''

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(AUG. 16) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
OMITTED				
B&H Bulk Carriers				
Chittenden Corp				
Wedco Technology				
USUAL				
Auto Data Process	Q	.17 1/2	10-1	9-17
Calgon Carbon	Q	.08	10-1	9-13
Durr-Fillauer Med	Q	.07 1/2	9-8	8-24
Eldorado Bancorp	Q	.08	10-1	9-7
Green Tree Accept	Q	.15	9-30	9-15
Hannaford Brothers	Q	.11	9-27	9-14
MTS Systems Corp	Q	.10	10-1	9-14
Meredith Corp	Q	.16	9-14	8-27
Northrop Corp	Q	.30	9-8	8-27
Realty Refund Tr	Q	.43	9-17	8-31
Ryland Group Inc	Q	.15	10-30	10-15
Samson Energy LP	Q	.40	9-30	8-31
Seilbels Bruce Grp	Q	.20	10-1	9-10
Service Corp Intl	Q	.14	10-31	10-16
Stage II Apparel	Q	.03	10-16	9-28
Standard Comml	Q	.13	12-10	11-30
Wyman-Gordon Co	Q	.20	9-10	8-31

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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(AUG. 16) UPI - Yosemite National Park, damaged by three fires that raged over 22,680 scenic acres in the past week, will reopen this weekend for the

last two weeks of the summer tourism season.

The announcement came as 23,000 firefighters and several thousand soldiers fought to surround dozens of wildfires that have burned hundreds of thousands of acres of forests and rangeland in seven Western states.

Yosemite National Park Superintendent Michael V. Finley said State Route 120 into the park would reopen Friday at noon and State Route 140 into Yosemite would open Monday but some roads and trails would remain closed indefinitely because of continuing firefighting and the danger of falling trees.

One firefighter was killed this week when he was hit on the head by a falling tree limb.

Three lightning-sparked wildfires forced the closure of the 750,000-acre park for the first time ever Friday and the evacuation of about 10,000 visitors and campers.

With 20,000 daily visitors in Yosemite during the peak August tourism season, the Curry Co., a private firm with a government contract to operate the park and its concessions, estimated the closure cost it hundreds of thousands of dollars per day.

One of the three Yosemite blazes, the 695-acre T-4 fire in Aspen Valley, was contained Wednesday and officials predicted the two larger fires that forced the park's closure would be contained by the end of the week.

The A Rock fire, which burned 17,568 acres in Yosemite and neighboring Stanislaus National Forest after backfires were set Tuesday, was 80 percent contained, while the 4,400-acre Steamboat blaze was 60 percent contained and was expected to be surrounded by 6 p.m. Thursday. Some 2,830 firefighters battled the three Yosemite blazes.

Visitors with reservations to camp or use other lodging at Yosemite during the time the park was closed were advised to contact Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

One firefighter was hospitalized Wednesday with neck and back injuries after being hit by a tumbling boulder at the park. Fourteen other injuries - most of them minor - have been reported among firefighters during the weeklong battle.

''We still have fires in the park,'' said Betsy Klopin, a park spokeswoman. ''The crews are trying to get rid of all of the safety hazards (prior to the park reopening). They will still be putting out embers next week.''

The state Department of Forestry estimated the cost of fighting some 1,300

California wildfires since Aug. 3 at about $45 million, plus salaries.

''This is a very expensive siege,'' spokeswoman Karen Terrill said. ''The usual cost for an entire fire season is $35 million. It's getting more and more expensive to cover these areas as people build more and more homes in wooded areas. It means we have to hire more personnel to do the job.''

Crews got help Thursday from 800 U.S. soldiers flown to Northern California from Fort Carson, Colo. Ten percent of firefighters in Tehama County were out of service due to poison oak.

The largest of the Western fires, the 121,600-acre Campbell complex blaze, was 90 percent contained Thursday, with full containment expected by evening. The nearby Finley Lake blaze in the Lassen National Forest also was 90 percent contained on 22,980 acres.

There were 2,335 people working on the Campbell fire and 2,134 on the Finley Lakes fire.

A 24,200-acre fire in Sequoia National Forest was 75 percent contained, although officials said a possibility of thunderstorms and winds could pose problems for firefighters.

In Humboldt County, three fires burned 16,400 acres, but they were listed as 35, 80 and 100 percent contained respectively.

More than 1,200 troops from Fort Lewis, Wash., were to relieve exhausted firefighters battling wildfires in Oregon Thursday. Another 1,200 troopers from Fort Carson, Colo., were headed for California.

Wind gusts to 30 mph drove the Snowshoe Complex fire across 800 to 1,000 acres of the Malheur National Forest 15 miles southeast of Prarie City Tuesday night, to cover 12,000-plus acres, Keim said. The nearby Sheep Mountain Complex fire also jumped the lines, growing by almost 1,000 acres to a total of 10,500 acres.

Smaller fires also burned Wednesday in Arizona, Idaho, Wyoming, Montana and Washington.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 16) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Thursday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93

score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 51-57.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 16) UPI - The United States granted a $20 million loan to the Philippines Thursday to help repair and rehabilitate roads, school buildings and other public structures damaged by the July 16 earthquake.

The U.S. Agency for International Development said the loan was contained in a memorandum of understanding signed by U.S. Ambassador Nicholas Platt and Public Works Secretary Fiorello Estuar.

A U.S. Embassy press release said the money will be used to repair and rehabilitate roads and bridges, school buildings, markets and other infrastructure.

''I understand that funds will be available for the reconstruction and rehabilitation for over 250 primary schools, and I am delighted that we are able to provide this timely assistance,'' Platt said.

The military Office of Civil Defense said about 1,666 people died in the temblor, which measured 7.7 on the Richter scale. Another 460 were listed as missing and presumed dead and 3,561 were injured.

Damage to private and public property was about $900 million in at least nine cities, 39 towns and 15 provinces, OCD said.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 58-61.

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OMAHA (AUG. 16) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves 25; insufficient for test.

Hogs 1,500; butchers steady; No 1-3 220-260 lb 57.00-57.25, 57.25 under 250 lb, No 1-2 206-217 lb 54.00-55.50, No 2-3 302-340 lb 51.00-53.00; sows steady to 50 lower; No 1-3 350-500 lb 50.25-51.00, mostly 50.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 51.50, dozen head 52.00.

Sheep None.

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#90228u1159 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - Western diplomats say they tend to disbelieve reports that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was the target of a possible assassination attempt. Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency quoted Egyptians leaving Iraq. They said people close to Saddam were involved in the attempt and that wide-scale arrests were made in Iraq yesterday of military people and civilians.

Today, President Bush and Jordan's King Hussein discuss the Persian Gulf crisis at Bush's seaside home in Kennebunkport, Maine. Hussein has a secret message from Saddam. A network news report says it proposes a freeze on U-S troop levels in Saudi Arabia and an international conference to consider terms for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

Two Texas businessmen caught in Kuwait during the Iraqi invasion crossed the desert by car to make an early morning escape into Saudi Arabia. Officials say the men were in the Middle East representing Houston-based United Aerial Mapping and finalizing a deal with a Kuwaiti goverment ministry.

There was more violence today in a black area of South Africa. At least three people were killed when mobs attacked a train in Soweto near Johannesburg. Passengers were dragged from the train. Two people were reported stabbed to death and a third burned. Since Monday, factional fighting in South Africa has killed at least 145 people.

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#90228u1172 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

DANBURY, Conn. (AUG. 16) UPI - A panel of NASA investigators spent a second day Thursday trying to pinpoint the cause of the defect in the Hubble Space Telescope at the company where its faulty mirror was made a decade ago.

The panel arrived Wednesday at Hughes Danbury Optical Systems Inc., which

was Perkin-Elmer Corp. when the flawed mirror for the $1.5 billion space telescope was built in 1981.

Lew Allen of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., who is leading the investigators, planned to field questions from reporters at Hughes Danbury after completing discussions with company officials Thursday.

The investigators determined last week that the Hubble's blurred view of space may have been caused by a flaw in an instrument used to measure the observatory's mirror when it was being ground in 1981.

Preliminary results of tests conducted on a device at Hughes Danbury called a ''null corrector'' found a spacing in the instrument was off by about 1 millimeter off, which is about the diameter of a ball-point pen.

The discrepancy would explain the cause of a ''spherical aberration'' found in the mirror, NASA officials said. But the panel was withholding a definitive conclusion until the possibility of other problems was eliminated.

The long-awaited telescope, which was ferried into space in April, was expected to revolutionize astronomy by peering more deeply and with greater clarity into space than ever before.

Engineers, however, discovered that the telescope's supposedly perfect optical system was seriously flawed because the observatory's 94-inch mirror suffered from spherical aberration, meaning it was curved slightly incorrectly.

The telescope still can conduct valuable research and officials hope to correct the mirror problem by 1993, but the flaw seriously reduced the telescope's capabilities.

However, astronomers Monday released a picture of a star cluster they said demonstrated the telescope can take clearer pictures with the flaw than they had thought, and the images can be made sharper with computer enhancement.

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#90228u1173 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - Higher prices for food and shelter offset low July energy prices but consumer inflation still increased four-tenths of one percent for the month. Overall shelter costs gained nearly one percent, led by a one and one-half percent jump in renters' costs and a six-tenths of one percent gain in home-owner costs.

The Soviet news agency Tass says President Mikhail Gorbachev will interrupt his vacation to hold talks on the troubled Soviet economy. He will return to Moscow within a few days to meet with Boris Yeltsin, leader of the Russian republic. Gorbachev and Yeltsin have a goal of moving the Soviet Union to a market economy.

Fire investigators in Omaha, Nebraska, say a woman and two children were killed when an electrical malfunction triggered a fire that swept through their home today. A third child was critically injured. The blaze occurred hours after a three-year-old girl died in another Omaha fire from which six other children were rescued.

An Indianapolis teen-ager masquerading as a town marshal has been forced to turn in his badge. Officials say 19-year-old Jeffrey Rider completed paperwork from state officials to get a Wynndale municipal license plate and transfer his car's title to the town. Police say Rider went on patrol with several officers, before he was arrested for impersonating a policeman.

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#90228u1185 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 16) UPI - Bumble Bee Seafoods Inc. said it will lay off 800 workers in its Puerto Rican cannery, in part because of the rising costs of producing dolphin-safe tuna.

The company said Wednesday it would cease production during the second shift at its facility in Mayaguez, P.R., the world's largest albacore cannery.

The plant will continue operation with its 1,000 remaining workers. Department of Labor officials will assist laid-off workers and a Job Center is being established to provide employment counseling at the site, Bumble Bee representatives said.

Bumble Bee, the third-largest U.S. tuna canner, announced along with other major tuna canners in April that it was phasing out tuna caught using fishing techniques that also caught dolphins.

That decision has meant higher costs of producing light-meat tuna at the Puerto Rican facility, a company spokesman said.

Michael D. McCulley, executive vice president of operations, said, ''In order to get dolphin-safe light meat tuna to Puerto Rico, we would have to choose one of two very expensive options.

''If we used fish caught in the Western Pacific where dolphin-safe fishing techniques are more readily available, we would have to ship the fish to

Puerto Rico for processing at great expense,'' McCulley said.

''Alternatively, if we use fish caught in the Eastern Pacific, we would demand that fishermen employ dolphin-safe tactics, diminishing the catch rate and driving up the operating cost per ton,'' he said.

''Either choice would not permit Bumble Bee to be competitive with the light-meat alternatives available to consumers,'' he added.

The San Diego-based canner employs more than 2,700 people worldwide. The company will use facilities in Thailand and Santa Fe Springs, Calif. to process additional light-meat tuna.

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#90228u1188 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 16) UPI - Iraq ordered 4,000 Britons in Kuwait to assemble in a hotel for possible internment in Iraq, the British Foreign Office said Thursday, calling it a ''sinister development.'' Americans also were asked to gather at several hotels, U.S. officials said.

''We don't have reports that Americans are being rounded up,'' a State Department official said in Washington. ''The Americans have been asked to gather at several hotels by the Iraqis and we have been in touch with the Iraqis to find out why.''

Foreign Office Minister of State William Waldegrave said he believed the same request made to the Britons had been made of Americans in Kuwait, and ''perhaps some others.''

The Iraqi ambassador to London, Azmi Shariq al-Salihi, said the Britons would be tranported to Baghdad.

''They will be our guests in Baghdad and we will treat them very well. We will allow them to leave the country when the situation is improved and settled,'' he said.

Waldegrave charged the Iraqis with duplicity. ''I hope that these reports and the storm of protests which will break around the head of Iraq if she pursues any policy of interning people will make her draw back even at this late stage from any such policy, if that is what she contemplates.''

The order affects 4,000 Britons who were caught in Kuwait when Iraq invaded Aug. 2, said Foreign Office spokesman Ray Kyles. There are 2,500 Americans in the disputed territory. Diplomats are apparently exempt.

''The British Embassy in Kuwait has received an order from Iraq that all Britons in Kuwait should report to the Regency Palace Hotel in Kuwait City

'' Kyles said.

The order was read on the British Broadcasting Corporation's World Service which can be heard in Kuwait. Britons were urged to take food and clothes with them to the hotel.

Waldegrave called the Iraqi edict ''a grave and sinister development.''

''I fear that it is in preparation for moving these people somewhere else '' he said. ''I would like to express the anger of the British people if any such step is taken.''

Kyles said Britain would endeavor to comply with the order. British citizens numbering in ''the upper 600'' already are in Baghdad, according to the Foreign Office. An estimated 500 Americans are there.

The Iraqi order came hours after 112 British citizens were evacuated from Kuwait City to Baghdad in a convoy organized by the embassy and escorted by Iraqi soldiers.

A Foreign Office spokesman said they were mostly non-essential embassy employees and the spouses and children of those who were continuing to work. It was done to clear the decks at the embassy so that those who are left can work better than they might otherwise,'' a spokesman said.

Among the 112 evacuees were the families of 36 British servicemen who were rounded up and taken to Baghdad during Iraqi's initial invasion of Kuwait.

The soliders have since been held in a hotel. While they have not been allowed to leave the building, British officials have been able to see them each day.

The evacuees were expected to remain in Baghdad for the near term, the Foreign Office said.

Two Britons were among thousands of foreigners who were allowed to cross from Iraq into Jordan at the desert border post of Ruweished Thursday, the spokesman said.

The Iraqi ambassador to London, Azmi Shariq al-Salihi, said other Westernerns were being held in Baghdad for their own protection.

''It is difficult and unsafe for the foreigners to leave Iraq or Kuwait,'' he said. ''We want them to be safe. We don't want them to face any difficulties ... they are guests of the Iraqi people and the Iraqi government.

''Their situation, as you know, is critical because of the troops brought

by the United States and the United Kingdom and others, and we want them to be safe. Once the situation is settled we will let them go.''

The United States and Britain have avoided saying their citizens who are trapped inside Iraq and Kuwait are hostages, fearful of jeopardizing their safety and of making them an issue in a peace settlement.

Two Britons were among thousands of foreigners who were allowed to cross from Iraq into Jordan at the desert border post of Ruweished Thursday, the spokesman said.

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#90228u1190 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - While intense attention has focused on the plight of Americans stranded in Kuwait, many of the estimated 2,500 Kuwaitis stuck in the United States are facing a novel problem - no money.

The Kuwaitis, most of them students, come from a tiny but oil-rich country that ranks as one of the world's most prosperous: an average per capita income higher than the United States - $20,000 - with no income taxes and free education and health care.

The Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraqi forces changed all that.

President Bush froze all of Kuwait's estimated $50 billion in assets in the United States to keep it out of Iraq's clutches. At the same time, the Iraqis seized all funds in Kuwait's banks and declared the Kuwaiti dollar to be equal to the Iraqi dinar, effectively cutting Kuwaiti fortunes by 90 percent.

A Kuwaiti woman named Rola - she asked that her last name be kept private since her family remains in Kuwait - and a group of friends in Washington went to work almost immediately to set up a group they call ''Committee to Free Kuwait.'' Its real function is to act as a community relief center for the newly poor Kuwaitis in the United States.

''Because the invasion and the freeze on funds occurred at the beginning of the month,'' she said, ''most of the Kuwaitis couldn't pay their rent. Some landladies have been very understanding, but some Kuwaitis have had to move in with other families, six or seven to a small apartment.''

Others, she said, have been allowed to sleep on the floor of the main mosque in Washington until they can find other temporary quarters, or until their funds are unfrozen.

Some of the wealthy Kuwaitis had come to this country for medical treatment, she said, and now no longer have funds for the treatment and,

6,000 miles from their families, are stuck without money.

Kuwaiti authorities have approached the U.S. government asking that their now-impoverished citizens be given work permits so they can earn some money. Rola said, ''The State Department has been very sympathetic, but you know how slow bureaucracies operate.''

Hunger is not yet a problem, but the key word is ''yet.'' It is only a matter of time until the Kuwaiti community runs out of resources, committee members say.

Other Arab countries, notably Saudi Arabia and its ambassador, Prince Bandar bin Sultan, have helped out with money and by allowing Kuwaiti citizens to eat at the embassy cafeteria when it is open.

''So far,'' Rola said, ''it's manageable.''

The same problem on an institutional scale is faced by Kuwaiti organizations, including the embassy and KUNA, the Kuwaiti News Agency, with bureaus around the world, including Washington.

As the Emir of Kuwait fled to exile in Saudi Arabia on the night of the invasion, he issued a final order saying all government institutions outside Kuwait would be maintained and financed by funds available to the emir, presumably his family's massive private fortune.

Rafael Calis, KUNA bureau chief in Washington, said the agency, whose lines to its headquarters in Kuwait were cut immediately by the invading Iraqis, has used ingenuity and technological innovation to keep news and statements flowing.

At first, the agency operated by sending out its reports by fax to other news agencies in London and Washington.

Now the news agency, using funds available in London, is setting up a new satellite system to replace its severed communications web in Kuwait.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - Much has been made of the searing heat that U.S. troops are enduring in the Saudi Arabian desert. But there is another hardship for many hard-bitten soldiers and Marines: no beer.

And they can forget about those Playmate of the month pictures.

''Absolutely prohibited,'' declared Air Force Maj. Lou Tiedemann, a spokesman for the U.S. Central Command at MacDill Air Force Base, Fla.,

responsible for handling U.S. military operations in the Persian Gulf.

The strict Islamic culture of Saudi Arabia presents the U.S. military with a unique challenge since the soldiers and Marines being sent there have been known to guzzle beer, hang pinups and ogle women.

''They better not this time,'' Tiedemann said. ''... The commander here has made that very clear.''

Tiedemann said the U.S. troops being sent to Saudi Arabia are briefed on the prohibitions of the country - ''no alcohol, no pornographic literature of any kind'' - both before they go over and when they get there.

In addition, they are given a briefing paper listing the prohibitions and the dos and don'ts of the Arab world, such as shaking hands often and never showing the bottom of one's feet, he said.

''We beat the theme that we are guests in the host country and that we need to respect their ways,'' Tiedemann said. ''For a lot of younger guys, it's hard to understand.''

Here is some of the advice given U.S. troops:

-Shake hands when you meet an Arab and also when you leave.

-Never expose the sole of your shoe or the bottom of your feet to an Arab; it's considered an insult.

-In conversation, generally take the lead from what the Arab brings up and do not ask questions about the women of an Arab family.

-Do not stare or strike up a conversation with Arab women in public.

Perhaps one of the more difficult cultural changes for most American military men to understand is this:

Touching and holding hands by members of the same sex in public in Saudi Arabia is acceptable and demonstrates friendship. But holding hands and kissing members of the opposite sex in public is considered in bad taste and could be considered obscene.

The troops were also told that Arabs tend to sit very close together and Americans, while they may find this uncomfortable, should not back away.

Also, Americans should accept food when its offered ''even if you don't want it,'' the guidance said, according to Tiedemann.

And then there are the hand gestures that can get people in big trouble

right away.

''Hitting the right fist into the open palm of the left hand indicates obscenity or contempt,'' But ''placing the palm of the right hand on the chest when greeting another shows respect or thanks.''

The Western OK hand sign ''is the sign of the evil eye and is used only in conjunction with curses'' in the Arab world, Tiedemann said.

And lest anyone forgets: ''Stroking the mustache connected with an oath or promise indicates sincerity.''

Tiedemann said the Saudis had made no special requests of the U.S. military leadership and sought no restrictions against women soldiers, members of the Jewish faith or kinds of foodstuffs to be brought in.

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ANGLETON, TX (AUG. 16) UPI - Someone's guilty conscience is paying off for Brazoria County.

An unidentified person this week mailed County Judge John Damon's office 40 $100 bills, along with an unsigned note saying, ''This more than repays what I owe the county.''

No one knows what the unidentified money-sender feels guilty about.

''We're $4,000 richer because of somebody's guilty conscience,'' Damon said Wednesday. ''It's pretty unusual for someone to send us money like this. Most of the time all we get are bills. I don't think we have any choice but to put it in our treasury.''

The money has been placed in a vault and the envelope turned over to the district attorney's office to be examined for fingerprints.

''I don't think there will be much of an investigation,'' Damon said. ''As far as I can tell, it's legal for people to send the county money.''

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 16) UPI - Investigators Thursday were trying to figure out how a fire started in the attic of the Rodin Museum, site of the largest collection of Rodin works in the Western Hemisphere.

The museum was closed at the time of the brief fire and there was no damage to the building or to the sculptures, said Sandra Horrocks, a

spokeswoman for the Philadelphia Museum of Art, which runs the Rodin Museum.

The fire started in a piece of material left in the loft of the one-story museum.

Fire Lt. Jack Christmas said the fire started at 6:37 a.m. and was out six minutes later. Security guards reported the blaze.

''They don't know how it caught fire,'' Horrocks said. She would not say how many guards were on duty at the time for security reasons.

The museum houses the 128 sculptures and a few drawings by the French sculptor Francois Auguste Rodin (1840-1917), the largest collection of Rodin works outside of Paris.

The artist is perhaps best known for The Thinker, a statue of a pensive man with his chin on his hand and elbow on his knee.

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INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 16) UPI - The use of the commercial Channel One instructional television station in public schools, already outlawed in California, came under a legal cloud Thursday in Indiana when the state attorney general said it cannot be used without state approval.

Indiana Attorney General Linley E. Pearson said the commercial current events television program produced by Whittle Communications of Knoxville, Tenn., cannot be used on a regular basis as classroom instruction without approval by the State Board of Education.

"If approved by the local school board, commercial current events programming may be shown only during non-instructional periods of the day such as homeroom, lunch and study hall," Pearson's opinion said.

Channel One provides 12 minutes of current affairs plus two minutes of commercials. Whittle also makes available to school systems television equipment that allows them to provide many additional instructional programs.

Pearson quoted a March 23 opinion of the Louisiana attorney general in issuing his own opinion. His Louisiana counterpart said state law prohibited local school boards from adopting private, sponsored current events programs without approval of state education boards.

The Indiana opinion was in response to a query by Rep. Dale Grubb, D-Covingon, on behalf of Mary Ann Akers, publisher of the weekly Review

Republican at Williamsport. Akers cited complaints from parents and teachers over its pending use at Seeger Memorial Junior-Senior High School.

"One of the things that was told to me was, in exchange for this two minutes, this company's willing to give us $30,000 worth of equipment. It appeared we were telling our kids we were selling the opportunity to a company to get a whack at our kids for $30,000 worth of equipment," Akers said.

Roy L. Stroud, superintendent of the Warren County school district, said he had not seen Pearson's opinion but had approved of the programming. "I approved it and the board was informed of it," he said. He said the board did not object and that Akers is "the only person that has registered any concern to me."

The effect of Pearson's opinion is unclear, said Jeff Zaring, board relations specialist for the state Department of Education. He said the board or the department may ask for a clarification because board does not normally approve or reject curriculum programs in local schools.

"We have rules and guidelines under which those are developed. If the local program is consistent with those rules and guidelines, it's approved. So the decision is made locally within the framework we provide." He said local schools may have to show that the programming is relevant to the subject matter being taught.

Whittle has colicited many Indiana school systems but it is not known how many have purchased his program. Those rejecting it cited the "captive audience" objection, the feeling that there are better alternatives or that the upscale jeans and athletic shoes advertised are beyond the means of many of their students.

Channel One is opposed by the National Association of State Boards of Education, the National Education Association and other national groups and has been controversial in North Carolina, California, and other states.

California last year outlawed Channel One on grounds the commercial time could not qualify as "instructional minutes" and that Whittle's monopoly within a school system interfered with freedom of choice of instructional information.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - New housing construction plunged 2.6 percent in July, for the sixth consecutive monthly drop, to the lowest level since the 1982 recession, the Commerce Department said Thursday.

''It looks like we're going to have housing leading the economy into recession,'' said David Seiders, chief economist for the National Association of Home Builders.

Only the western states experienced an increase in housing starts in July.

Despite lower mortgage rates last month, consumers steered clear of the housing market because of the possibility of losing their jobs in the weakening economy, analysts said.

Blaming the careening housing construction figures on ''underlying weakness in buyer demand,'' Seiders predicted the United States will be mired in a recession from October to March.

The Commerce Department said applications for new housing permits also fell 2.6 percent last month in another wave of bad news for the battered building and real estate industries.

''New construction and building permit levels in July are disturbing given that activity was down further and that the outlook has been clouded by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait,'' economist Robert Sheehan said at the National Apartment Association.

''One has to expect that housing starts will contract further over the next few months as a result of higher interest rates and inflation caused by the sharp rise in oil prices,'' Sheehan said.

The last time new housing construction fell for six straight months was from June 1981 to November 1981, also during the worst recession since the Great Depression of the 1930s, a government spokesman said.

July's annual rate of 1.148 million housing starts was the weakest showing since 1.144 million in September 1982, according to data compiled by the department's Census Bureau.

''It's pretty much in the doldrums. It's pretty much broad based. The whole housing sector is weak,'' said Robert Rosenblatt, an economist at the Mortgage Bankers Association, who also forsees a recession.

Single-family housing construction slid 1.4 percent in July, while construction of apartment building with two, three and four units tumbled by 13.5 percent and construction of apartment buildings with more than five units dropped 5.4 percent.

''The multi-family side is (already) in deep recession,'' Seiders said. ''On the single-family side we see this gradual erosion, but it hasn't fallen off the cliff yet.''

By region, new housing construction fell 5.3 percent in July in the Northeast, declined 5.5 percent in the Midwest, plunged 6.7 percent in the South, but increased 8.1 percent in the West.

In June, total housing starts fell a revised 2.2 percent after dipping 0.8 percent in May. The last monthly advance, in January, was attributed to unseasonably warm weather across the nation.

The Commerce Department also said that new housing construction permits were up a revised 4 percent in June after falling 3.8 percent in May.

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(AUG. 16) - UPI Market uncertainty over the Mideast crisis and whether the OPEC cartel would raise output to make up for embargoed Kuwaiti and Iraqi oil was driving oil prices up in early trading Thursday.

''The market is clearly focusing on OPEC and its plans or lack of plans for increasing production,'' said Robert Baker, senior energy analyst with Prudential-Bache Securities Inc. in New York.

''General uncertainty in the Gulf region'' was driving prices upward, said Peter Beutel, vice president of Merrill Lynch Futures in New York.

In early afternoon trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for September delivery was up 64 cents over Wednesday's close to $27.10 a barrel.

Prompt delivery WTI was also being quoted at $27.10 a barrel for a gain of 60 cents on the U.S. Gulf Coast cash market.

September delivery unleaded gasoline had gained 2.40 cents a gallon on the Merc to 86.45 cents a gallon, while home heating oil added 2 cents to 74.85 cents a gallon.

On the European cash market, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude shipped mainly to the Far East - had risen 67 cents a barrel by midday to $23.17 a barrel.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was being quoted at $26.29 a barrel, 70 cents higher than Tuesday.

An industry source in Tokyo said Saudi Arabia had notified five Japanese companies that it would cut its Japanese crude exports by 16 percent next month.

A similar Saudi notification was sent to major U.S. oil companies Thursday

as part of a reallocation of Saudi exports that would send more crude to Kuwaiti-owned refineries in Europe to help offset crude lost by the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

It was not clear why the Saudis were reallocating their exports other than to perhaps set the stage for an overall increase in exports by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

A senior executive of a major U.S. oil company believed the notification was ''merely operational'' and that the Saudis would eventually raise output as part of an overall OPEC increase.

''I do believe that all the members of OPEC would like to have a meeting on this and have an OPEC decision on how much they go up and when they go '' the executive said.

There was no indication from OPEC, however, if or when it would hold such an emergency meeting.

About 4 million barrels a day have been lost to world markets as a result of the United Nations embargo of Kuwait and Iraqi exports in the wake of the invasion.

Jordan's King Hussein was meeting with President Bush at his Kennebunkport Maine, vacation retreat amid a report by CBS News that he is carrying a message from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The possibility that the message might lead to a settlement of the crisis had dampened oil prices Wednesday.

But traders were discounting this possibility Thursday.

''I think we're deceiving ourselves if we expect a lot out of it,'' Beutel said.

''I'm not looking for anything to happen there,'' Baker echoed.

Nevertheless, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tarek Aziz said his nation is willing to discuss with Bush a settlement of the crisis without conditions, but accused Washington of repeatedly rejecting Iraqi overtures.

Western diplomats monitoring the crisis also doubted reports of a possible attempt to assssinate Saddam carried by Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

College

Missouri - Released guard Travis Ford from his basketball scholarship to free him to tranfer ithout loss of eligibility.

St. Francis (Pa.) - Named Tom Ledford women's soccer coach; Mike Markle assistant football coach; Chris McDonnell women's tennis coach; Beth Shoulla assistant athletics trainer.

Football

Kansas City - Signed wide receiver Pete Mandley to three one-year contracts.

Pittsburgh - Removed defensive end Aaron Jones from physically unable to perform list.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - Ninety-six areas - mostly cities - have smog levels above federal health standards, a slight decline from the 101 cities cited for violations last year, the Environmental Protection Agency said Thursday.

The EPA, updating its evaluation of the nation's air pollution problems with 1989 monitoring data, also reported that 41 areas exceeded federal limits for carbon monoxide, down three from last year.

EPA officials said the new violator lists indicate a small improvement nationwide, with a few major cities such as Phoenix, St. Louis and Salt Lake City coming into compliance with either the smog or carbon monoxide standard.

However, they said air pollution was still a pervasive health problem, with 133 million Americans living in smoggy areas and 78 million exposed to health-threatening carbon monoxide levels.

''These (violator) lists show conclusively the magnitude of the air pollution problems still remaining in this nation,'' said EPA Deputy Administrator Henry Habicht II.

Habicht called on Congress to pass pending clean air legislation that will toughen emission reduction requirements for cities not meeting federal air quality standards.

The bill requires all but the nine smoggiest cities nationwide to meet federal standards by 2000. Los Angeles, with by far the worst smog, would have until 2010, while a deadline of 2005 would be set for New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Houston, Milwaukee, San Diego, Baltimore and Hartford.

The EPA violator lists determine which cities will be required to adopt emission control measures for industry, power plants, automobiles and other major sources of pollution.

Under clean air laws, the EPA is required to update and revise its violator lists each year after reviewing new monitoring data gathered the previous year.

For the 1990 lists, a city was placed on the smog list if it exceeded federal standards more than three times in the three-year period 1987-1989. The carbon monoxide list includes all areas exceeding federal limits twice or more in either 1988 or 1989.

The reduction in the 1990 ozone list was noteworthy in that the EPA last year added 28 cities as violators. The big jump was partly attributed to unusually hot and dry weather nationwide in the summer of 1988.

Industry officials had predicted a drop in violators with this year's EPA listings due to more moderate weather in the summer of 1989.

The EPA said eight cities came into compliance with smog standards last year and were removed from the violator list. They were Columbia, S.C., Jacksonville, Fla., Lafayette, Ind., Phoenix, Huntsville, Ala., Anderson, S.C., Tulsa, Okla., and Portland, Ore.

At the same time, three new areas were added to the smog list: Smyth County, Va., Evansville, Ind., and the Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol area in Tennessee and Virginia.

For carbon monoxide, seven cities were removed from the EPA list: Manchester, N.H., Oklahoma City, Okla., St. Louis, Great Falls, Mont., Greeley, Colo., Salt Lake City and Yakima, Wash. Four cities were added: Syracuse, N.Y., Philadelphia, Duluth, Minn., and Stockton, Calif.

Most of the communities cited by the EPA are sizeable urban areas, but a few rural areas also are violators due to automobile congestion or because they are downwind of cities.

As in past years, Los Angeles led the nation in the severity of its smog problem, averaging 137 days a year in violation of the federal standard. It also had the highest average concentrations of ozone at .33 parts per million - three times higher than the federal standard of .12 parts per

million.

Other heavily smoggy cities were Bakersfield, Calif., 44 days in violation; Fresno, Calif., 24 days; New York, 17 days; Sacramento, 16 days; Chicago, 13 days; Houston, 12 days; and San Diego, 12 days.

For carbon monoxide, Los Angeles was out of compliance an average of 71 days a year; Spokane, Wash., 37 days; Winnebago County, Wis., 32 days; the Stuebenville-Weirton area in Ohio and West Virginia, 31 days; New York, 26 days; Las Vegas, 26 days; and Sacramento, 18 days.

Smog is formed when volatile organic compound and nitrogen oxide emissions from cars and industry chemically react in the presence of sunlight. Smog irritates eyes and breathing passages and can seriously endanger those with respiratory illness.

Carbon monoxide is primarily emitted in automobile exhaust and can cause damage the heart and brain by reducing oxygen in the blood.

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STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (AUG. 16) UPI - Sweden's Supreme Court Thursday ruled against deporting a young Soviet hijacker to face trial in the Soviet Union.

The court said in a statement that Mikhail Mokretsov - who forced a Soviet civilian airliner on a domestic flight from Riga to Murmansk to fly to Sweden July 5 - would face trial in the Scandinavian country rather than the Soviet Union.

Despite that two other young Soviet hijackers were deported last month, the court said expulsion of Mokretsov, 18, would be contrary to Swedish law. The statement said the Supreme Court had taken into consideration a psychiatric evaluation ordered after Mokretsov tried to commit suicide following the deportation of the two other hijackers.

The Swedish government and the Supreme Court deemed in mid-July, that Dmitri Semyonov, 17, and Ukrainian Anatoly Mikhailenko, 19, could both be deported for trial in the Soviet Union after they hijacked aircraft to Sweden.

But in Thursday's decision the Supreme Court said a court psychiatrist found Mokretsov unfit to serve a prison sentence in a Soviet prison and that there was a danger he would attempt suicide again if expelled.

Sweden's Pilots Association said it was "shocked" at the decision. "It's deeply regrettable to let him stay. The decision will spread like a fire

and more hijackers may now try to come to Sweden," said SPA President Kurt Ivarsson Thursday.

Mokretsov's lawyer Tomas Rothpfeffer said the young man was "extremely happy" after the decision was made to let him stay in Sweden. If convicted for hijacking in Sweden, Mokretsov faces a sentence of between two and ten years in prison and subsequent expulsion from Sweden.

"I think it was very unjust to expel the other two," Mokretsov said after the Supreme Court decision. "I understand that I have committed a serious crime and will be punished here in Sweden for it. But I'm very happy."

Soviet Embassy press attache Alexei Grushko said he hoped the Swedish government would overrule the Supreme Court decision. "He has committed a crime and must be punished in the Soviet Union," Grushko said. But Swedish governments are unable to override the Supreme Court, the highest judicial body in the country.

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LONDON (AUG. 16) UPI - Stock prices closed lower in sluggish trading Thursday on the London International Stock Exchange with large investors still overawed by the Persian Gulf crisis.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 5.3 points Wednesday, fell 18.5 points to 2,220.8. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 23.3 points to 1,724.9

Volume amounted to around 375 million shares compared with 564 million shares changing hands Wednesday.

Analysts said volume remained sluggish as many investors shied away from the market ahead of the weekend.

Market watchers said the pattern of trading was following that of last week. As the weekend approached, investors were not willing to open any new positions, fearing adverse Middle East developments.

On the local economic front, the Department of Employment reported Britain's underlying annual rates of increase in average earnings rose to 10 percent in June from 9.75 percent in May.

Average earnings as a whole rose a seasonally adjusted 0.7 percent in June from May and were up 10.2 percent from June 1989.

Market forecasters predicted average earnings in June would rise by an annual rate of 9.8 percent against May's annual increase of 9.75 percent.

In a separate report, the Department of Employment reported Britain's unemployment was a seasonally adjusted 5.7 percent of the workforce in July, unchanged from June.

The rate in July was unchanged from both the revised and provisional rate for June, but down slightly from July 1989.

Among the day's most active issues, Reuters was the biggest loser of the day, tumbling $1.37 to $16.80 amid speculation of a sharp downgrading by a U.S. securities house.

Wellcome PLC fell 31 cents to $9.20 amid adverse press comment on its drug Retrovir and talk of positive results on a new AIDS treatment by rivals Johnson and Johnson.

The insurance sector was shaken by worse-than-expected half year results from Royal Insurance, which reported a loss $123.4 million for the half year.

Royal Insurance lost 25 cents to $4.78, General Accident slipped 12 cents to $8.98 and Prudential eased 8 cents to $3.92.

Elsewhere, Imperial Chemical Industries slipped 10 cents to $17.01.

Oil companies remained firm as the Middle East situation continued unsettled. Enterprise Oil gained 23 cents to $11.05 and London & Scottish Marine Oil gained 18 cents to $8.19.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed lower in light trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index slipped 14.78 points to 1,727.48.

Traders said stocks eased amid a mild bout of profit taking following Wednesday 27.18 point advance.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - British officials say Iraq told four-thousand Britons in Kuwait to gather at a hotel, possibly to be held in Baghdad. The British Foreign Office in London says the order affects four-thousand Britons caught in Kuwait when Iraq invaded two weeks ago today. The State Department says U-S citizens have been asked to gather at several hotels... but are NOT being rounded up. Both the United States and Great Britain have avoided saying their citizens trapped inside Iraq and Kuwait are hostages, for fear of jeopardizing their safety.

Economists are disappointed at consumer price figures released today. Prices in July rose four-tenths of one percent. Shelter and food were especially high. The figures are higher than were expected. Robert Dederick, chief economist of Northern Trust in Chicago, said the war on inflation- in his words- ''seems to be yielding very little fruit.''

A National Association of Home Builders economist is talking recession after reviewing a government report on July housing starts showing a two-point-six percent drop. Chief economist David Seiders says- ''It looks like we're going to have housing leading the economy into recession.'' He predicts the nation will be mired in recession from October through March.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Canam Manac (2nd Q)	
$67,744,000	$86,252,000
ad-$9,311,000	d-$4,489,000
ad-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.	
d-Deficit.	
Cellcom Corp (3rd Q 6-30)	
$36,365,000	$20,827,000
d-$3,452,000	d-$536,000
d-Deficit.	
Empire of Carolina (2nd Q)	
$62,262,000	$6,001,000
a-$1,567,000 (.15)	d-$4,920,000
a-Income from continuing operations.	
d-Deficit.	
MacKenzie Financial (1st Q 6-30)	
$41,830,000	$34,878,000
$8,122,000 (.15)	$8,763,000 (.16)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Onex Corp (2nd Q)	
$575,000,000	$464,000,000
$6,500,000 (.25)	$10,400,000 (.44)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	

Premdor Inc (2nd Q)
$61,113,000 $35,636,000
$290,000 (.02) $288,000 (.03)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Salem Corp (2nd Q)
$28,908,000 $29,834,000
$337,000 (.27) $304,000 (.24)

Southern Union (2nd Q)
$35,002,000 $34,388,000
d-$3,203,000 d-$4,685,000
d-Deficit.

Telesphere Commun (2nd Q)
$62,446,000 $44,218,000
$688,000 (.03) $90,000 (.01)

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CHICAGO (AUG. 16) UPI - The Chicago Mercantile Exchange said Thursday it will begin trading Sept. 25 futures and options based on the Nikkei 225 Japanese stock index, making it the first American futures exchange to trade contracts based on an overseas stock index.

Earlier this week, the Chicago Board of trade announced it will begin trading long-term Japanese government bond futures and options and Topix futures and options on Sept. 27.

The Merc owns exclusive rights to trade the Nikkei Stock Average futures and options on futures contracts in North America.

Leo Melamed, chairman of the CME's executive committee and special counsel to its board of governors, said the move will symbolize the globalization of the world's financial markets.

''The success of the Nikkei futures and options contracts on the Osaka Securities Exchange demonstrates how important these risk-management products have become to all the world's markets,'' Melamed said.

The CME signed an agreement on rights to the Nikkei 225 contracts in 1985 and won approval to trade them from the Commodity Futures Trading Commission in 1988.

The exchange delayed listing the contracts while the market for London- and New York-traded Japanese stocks developed, a spokesman said. More than

50 Japanese stocks are traded in London and a smaller number trade actively in New York.

The CME eventually hopes to list Nikkei 225 futures and options on Globex, the automated after-hours trading system being developed by the CME, the CBOT and Reuters Holdings PLC.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - Yosemite National Park in California is to re-open tomorrow and tourists will be able to see the damage from three forest fires. The park was closed for the first time in its history last Friday. 10-thousand tourists had to be evacuated. The fires spread over 35 square miles. A firefighter was killed this week when a falling tree limb hit him on the head.

Through the night, thousands of Elvis Presley fans held a candlelight vigil at Presley's home in Memphis, Tennessee, to commemorate the 13th anniversary of the singer's death. The first in line was Bill Rowe of Dayton, Ohio, who had waited since 8 a-m yesterday until the vigil began last night. Presley was 42 when he died. His death was attributed to heart failure, but the autopsy report- which still is secret- reportedly showed drugs in his system.

A poll of 350 college students found actor Tom Cruise and actress Julia Roberts won praise as the top stars of this 1990's. But the mega-hit film ''Batman'' was among the movies students chose as the worst of the 1980's. The Movieline magazine poll shows the top male star category included River Phoenix, Alec Baldwin, Mel Gibson and Johnny Depp. Other top actresses named were Meg Ryan, Michelle Pfeiffer, Winona Ryder, Kirstie Alley and Kim Basinger.

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SOWETO, South Africa (AUG. 16) UPI - A spear-wielding mob swept through a railway station in the black city of Soweto Thursday, dragging passengers from carriages and stabbing them in a fourth day of faction fighting that has left more than 150 dead and hundreds wounded.

The dawn attack ignited a day of tension in the nation's largest black city, south of Johannesburg, after three days of carnage in townships to the east, and police battled to contain the conflict by attempting to keep the warring factions at bay.

Police reported at least six killed in Soweto Monday, including two people found burned to death near the Nhlazane railway station, sending the death

toll in fighting since Monday to 154. Another 99 people were injured.

African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela held unexpected talks with President Frederik de Klerk in Pretoria on the slaughter, regarded as the worst in four years of internecine strife between the racially exclusive Zulu movement Inkatha and ANC supporters, who are mainly Xhosas.

''The discussions covered various aspects of the present state of unrest and violence in certain areas, as well as steps to curb it,'' according to a brief statement on the meeting. It said de Klerk planned holding further talks and ''taking action.''

ANC officials declined further comment on the talks and continued to reject Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi's demands to meet Mandela in a bid to negotiate an end to the conflict that has raged in the Indian Ocean province of Natal since 1987 but spread to the Johannesburg area only recently.

Analysts blamed the latest violence on a combination of tribal rivalries between Zulus and Xhosas and Buthelezi's attempts to stake out his power-base in advance of formal negotiations with the government on a post-apartheid constitution.

Riot police roamed Soweto's dusty streets in personnel carriers and unmarked vehicles, firing tear gas and rubber bullets to disperse pockets of township residents massing outside the gates of hostels holding Zulu migrant workers.

Youths erected barricades in roads nearby to block police vehicles as dozens of tear gas canisters exploded and sent clouds of smoke through rows of matchbox houses.

Trucks unloaded razor-sharp barbed wire across the entrances of hostels to keep hundreds of Zulus inside. Many wore red headbands to identify themselves as Inkatha members, and carried machetes, spears, sticks and the traditional Zulu shields of cowhide.

One Zulu standing behind the blockade told reporters the hostel dwellers had no intention of attacking other township residents, but their mass of weapons seemed to betray their intentions.

Unlike Wednesday's sweep for weapons in the eastern townships, police made no effort whatsoever to disarm the Zulus - inaction that appeared to support ANC claims that lawmen had not taken all possible measures to defuse the situation.

The ANC has consistenly accused ''elements'' in the police of aiding Inkatha in its bid to gain stronger political clout and weaken the ANC's

premier position.

''We are satisfied that with the presence of the police at the moment we may be able to keep them apart,'' Law and Order Ministry spokesman Brig. Leon Mellet said.

Senior police met local leaders of the two sides and both parties ''seem to have been persuaded to refrain from violence,'' he said.

In Thokoza, one of three eastern townships where the violence exploded Monday, about 3,000 ANC supporters filled a grandstand to hear local community leaders announce peace talks were underway to halt the bloodshed.

Fearing for the lives of his children, who were staying in Thokoza with his inlaws, Temba Wilton Ndlovu visited the township Thursday.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - The Federal Reserve is being pulled in two directions on interest rate policy, economists said Thursday, with inflation, fueled in part by the Middle East crisis, competing with the eroding U.S. real estate market.

The Federal Reserve, in its battle to whip inflation, has kept a tight fist on interest rates. But the battle appears far from won and has weakened other segments of the economy, namely real estate, economists said.

The Fed's monetary policy group, the Federal Open Market Committee, is scheduled to meet next week. Economist believe the Fed has been backed into a corner by the fear of even higher inflation stemming from rising oil prices that resulted from Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Gasoline prices alone have risen in August an average of 12 cents a gallon or 15 percent, which translates to an 0.5 percent increase in the government's consumer price index, said Donald Ratajczak, head of the economic forecasting unit at Georgia State University.

''We have a high base (of inflation) on which to add the oil shock. ''That's not alarming, but distrubing,'' said Robert Dederick, chief economist at the Northern Trust Co., in Chicago.

The FOMC meeting is expected to center on a debate over whether to lower interest rates to spur the sagging economy or leave rates alone to cool inflation.

''It's a close call as to which one is going to carry the day,'' Ratajckaz

said.

Inflation at the consumer level rose 0.4 percent in July with higher shelter and food costs offsetting a significant 0.7 percent drop in energy costs, the Labor Department reported Thursday.

July's price increased followed a rise of 0.5 percent in June and brought consumer-level inflation up 4.8 percent during the past 12 months, the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said.

During the first seven months of the year, consumer prices have risen at an annualized rate of 5.8 percent, up from 5.5 percent during the same period last year.

Economists expect inflation to rise gradually this month and in the months ahead as the pinch of rising oil prices spreads through the economy. Oil prices skyrocketed following the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

''Because the economy is moving relatively slowly and will probably soon go into recession, an immediate surge in the (consumer price index) is not anticipated,'' said Gordon Richards, chief economist for the National Association of Manufacturers.

Instead, Richards forecast a steady rise during the next six to nine months, with the annual inflation rate hoving between 5 percent and six percent.

In more unsettling news for consumers, the government said real earnings for July rose 0.3 percent, not enough to beat the pace of rising prices.

''Although real earnings were up, in general, people's purchasing power has eroded and this accentuates that a recession is on the horizon or has already begun,'' Ratajczak said.

A recession occurs when the overall economy shows little or no growth for two consecutive quarters. The last time that happened was in 1981-1982.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department reported that new housing construction plunged by 2.6 percent last month, for the sixth consecutive monthly drop, to the lowest level since the 1982 recession.

The last time new housing construction fell for six straight months was from June 1981 to November 1981, also during the worst recession since the Great Depression of the 1930s, a government spokesman said.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (AUG. 16) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis has provided Europe an opportunity to assert its newfound confidence and could prove a landmark in the evolution of post-Cold War European security structures.

At a meeting next Tuesday in Paris, the revived Western European Union is expected to establish a European naval task force in the Gulf to help enforce economic sanctions against Iraq. Several countries have already committed warships to the task force expected to emerge from the nine-nation meeting.

West Germany, which has not sent ships into a combat area since World War II, said it would include five minesweepers in a multinational flotilla. Chancellor Helmut Kohl has been unfazed by constitutional objections from his political opponents.

Although top NATO officials have met daily since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2, the region is ''out of area'' for the Western alliance unless NATO member Turkey is invaded.

With NATO's traditional role upended by the Cold War's collapse, and its future clouded, home-grown European groupings such as the 12-nation European Community and the once-moribund WEU have aggressively stepped forward.

''NATO was absolutely fine to coordinate the activities of 16 nations when they were faced with a nasty opponent on their doorstep, but it's a different story when the problem is in another part of the world,'' said Andrew Duncan of the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London.

Duncan said the European response in the Gulf could prove important to the debate over whether the EC, once known as the Common Market for its economic focus, should also adopt a defense posture.

Indeed, some NATO officials were miffed last week when EC foreign ministers hastily met in Brussels only hours before a scheduled session of NATO foreign ministers.

The Western European Union ''allows a small country like Belgium security and cooperation in a situation like the Gulf,'' said a spokesman for the Belgian government, which has sent ships to the Mediterranean pending the WEU decision on a Gulf task force.

''It makes no sense for us to send ships alone, but it does make sense to do it in a concerted way,'' he said.

Although the EC quickly joined worldwide economic sanctions against Iraq at a special meeting in Rome, Europe's response has been far from

concerted.

Greece is allowing U.S. warplanes to fly over its territory en route to the Gulf, but will not permit the United States to use Greek bases for any military action in the Middle East.

Further, only Britain among European countries has backed the U.S. policy of ''interdicting'' ships trading with Iraq. France was sharply critical of the policy, saying participation by French warships would make it a ''co-beligerent'' in the Gulf.

Still, the European self-confidence was shown when EC officials unblinkingly rejected an appeal from Turkey that its application for Community membership should be speedily processed in return for its solidarity with the West in the crisis.

A push on Turkey's behalf from Secretary of State James Baker failed to impress in Brussels. Publicly, diplomats said no requests for membership would be considered before completion of the EC's internal market in 1992. Privately, they said Baker should mind his own business.

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COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 16) UPI - A drifter suspected of stealing up to $1 million from public telephone coin boxes in 32 states was sentenced to three years in prison and ordered to repay Ohio Bell $802.50 in a plea bargain with authorities.

Franklin County Judge Patrick McGrath sentenced James Clark to three consecutive one-year prison terms and to repay $802.50, little more than half the more than $1,400 he is suspected of stealing from Columbus telephone booths alone.

Clark pleaded guilty Wednesday to one count of theft and two counts of tampering with a coin machine. Ten other counts of tampering were dismissed in a plea bargain the day his trial was to begin.

Clark gained the nickname "the telphone bandit" because of his ability to pick locks of pay telephone coin boxes. Police said he designed a pick made out of piano wire and stole up to $1 million from telephone booths in 32 states from 1981 until his arrest in 1988 in California.

A one-year investigation in Columbus linked Clark, a drifter, to thefts from 23 phones in May and June 1985. "Nationwide, the phone companies think he took a $500,000 to $1 million with this activity," said prosecutor Tim Braun.

An accomplice, whom authorities won't identify, turned state's evidence against Clark on similar charges in Summit County and helped Franklin County in its investigation.

Clark is also wanted in several other cities and may be indicted next in Youngstown, Ohio. Police said authorities from California and Texas are waiting in line for him.

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CAIRO, Egypt (AUG. 16) UPI - Iraq's traditional secretiveness and the current propaganda war between Baghdad and some of its Arab brother states have resulted in a flurry of unsubstantiated reports making the rounds of the world media.

The latest such report carried by world media outlets, including the Soviet news agency Tass, was a story picked up from Egypt's Middle East News Agency.

On Thursday, MENA quoted unnamed Egyptian workers returning home from Iraq as saying there were ''wide-scale arrests of military people and civilians in Iraq on Wednesday, and the arrests included tens of Iraqi army officers of mostly junior rank, in what apparently was believed to be part of an assassination attempt (against Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein).''

Western diplomats monitoring Iraq, as well as Egyptian Foreign Ministry sources, could not confirm the report.

But Yugoslavia's Tanjug news agency, reporting the unconfirmed story after it was carried to all corners of the globe and indicating it was perhaps a case of wishful thinking, put it like this:

''Independent sources in Cairo think that (unnamed) Egyptian workers can hardly be considered a reliable source upon which to base any conclusion of events taking place in Iraq.''

A reporter in Tass's Cairo bureau, when asked about the ''assassination attempt'' the Soviet agency had carried on its wires, admitted it was based solely on the MENA report and there was no independent confirmation.

Other such unconfirmed stories coming out of the region in segments of the Western press have included reports of Iraqi tank, troop and jet defections to Saudi Arabia, Saudi gunners firing on Iraqi jets, mass executions of Iraqi government officials and army officers.

''We're dealing with a very volatile situation, and Iraq's secretiveness and bad reputation don't help when it comes to accurate reporting,'' said

Peter Warg, a Cairo-based veteran U.S. reporter.

Warg gave the example of reports last week that Saddam may have executed his Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

''The reports that said he had been out of the public eye at an crucial time for Iraq were justified because this was unusual,'' he said. ''But to report unsubstantiated rumors leads to a vicious circle and accurate information is the victim. You have to go through everything with a fine tooth comb.''

The propaganda war between Iraq and brother Arab states such as Egypt, Syria and the Arab Persian Gulf states has also hindered accurate reporting.

''There is a psychological-propaganda war going on, and it looks as if (Iraq's Arab enemies) will only be satisfied if they topple Saddam to solve the acute crisis,'' said Dejan Vasiljevic, a veteran Middle East reporter for Tanjug.

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MONTREAL (AUG. 16) UPI - A tribe of Indians has shut down an Onatrio railroad line to show solidarity with Quebec Mohawks, who Thursday began negotiating an end to their own lengthy armed standoffs with police.

Some 191 passengers, including American tourists, were forced to leave a west bound VIA Rail train at White River in northern Ontario Wednesday night when Ojibway Indians threated to blockade the rail line, VIA Rail spokesman Mike Williams said.

A second Indian band, the Longlac Ojibway Indians of northern Ontario, have blockaded a rail line that passes through their reserve since Monday.

The blockaded line and the threatened line are vital passenger and freight links between Toronto and Winnipeg.

The 191 Winnipeg-bound passengers taken off the VIA Rail train Wednesday night were taken by bus to nearby Thunder Bay and were to be flown to Winnipeg.

The shutdown of the two rails also stranded 159 east bound passengers in Winnipeg.

Canadian National railway spokesman Mark Matthews said the company was also looking for an alternate way to move 25 freight cars loaded with automobiles and other goods.

Meanwhile, Quebec Mohawks and their advisors began talks Thursday with the Quebec and Canadian governments in an effort to find a solution to two standoffs in Oka and Chateauguay.

In Oka, Indians erected barricades four months ago to block the expansion of a golf course they claim is on tribal land. In Chateauguay, Indians blocked a bridge to show their support of the Oka group.

Police attempted to raid the Oka blockade July 11 in an abortive action that left one officer dead. The Chateauguay blockade, meanwhile, has been the scene of almost nightly clashes between residents and police.

Twenty-four international observers from Switzerland, France, Great Britain, West Germany and Belgium started monitoring the Oka and Chateauguay blockades early Wednesday.

About 2,600 Canadian troops moved close to the white communities in the two cities Tuesday night at the request of the Quebec government, Maj. Gerald Baril said.

''We all hope that we won't have to intervene and that they find a peaceful settlement to the disputes,'' Baril said.

Many of the Mohawk warriors guarding the barricades are members of the Warriors Society from the troubled St. Regis Indian reserve that straddles the U.S.-Canada border near Massena, N.Y.

The St. Regis Mohawk Warriors sided with pro-gambling forces and against traditional chiefs when pro and anti-gambling factions clashed in May, leaving two dead.

Federal government officials have accused the warriors of being criminals who are holding the reserves hostage.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 16) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.86	2.86 1/2	2.83	2.84 1/2	2.84 3/4
Dec	2.98 1/2	3.00 3/4	2.97 1/4	2.99 1/4	2.99
Mar	3.10	3.10	3.07	3.09	3.08 1/4
May	3.12 1/2	3.13	3.10 1/2	3.11 1/2	3.12

Jly	3.13	3.15 1/2	3.12 1/2	3.14	3.12 1/2

Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	2.48	2.50	2.47 1/2	2.49	2.47 1/2
Dec	2.45	2.45 3/4	2.43 1/2	2.44 1/2	2.44 1/4
Mar	2.53 1/4	2.54	2.52	2.52 1/2	2.52 1/2
May	2.59 1/4	2.60	2.58	2.58 1/2	2.59
Jly	2.62 3/4	2.63 3/4	2.61 1/2	2.61 1/2	2.62 1/4
Sep	2.59 1/2	2.59 1/2	2.55 1/4	2.55 1/4	2.57
Dec	2.57 3/4	2.58	2.53 3/4	2.54 1/2	2.57

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	1.17 1/4	1.18 1/2	1.17 1/2	1.18	1.16 3/4
Dec	1.29 1/4	1.29 3/4	1.29	1.29 3/4	1.28 1/2
Mar	1.39 1/2	1.40 1/2	1.39 1/2	1.40 1/2	1.39
May	1.44 1/2	1l45 1/2	1.44	1.45 1/4	1.44 1/4

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Aug	6.14	6.15	6.10	6.12 1/2	6.13
Sep	6.16	6.17 3/4	6.12 1/2	6.15 1/4	6.15 1/4
Nov	6.28 1/2	6.30	6.24	6.27	6.27
Jan	6.40 1/2	6.41 1/2	6.36 1/2	6.38 1/4	6.39 1/2
Mar	6.52	6.53 1/2	6.48 1/2	6.51	6.50
May	6.59 1/2	6.61	6.57	6.60	6.57 3/4
Jly	6.66 1/2	6.67	6.63 1/2	6.65 1/4	6.65 1/4
Aug	6.56	6.56	6.55	6.55	6.50
Nov	6.26 1/2	6.27	6.20	6.20	6.23 1/4

Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Aug	24.70	24.70	24.36	24.48	24.63
Sep	24.42	24.45	24.17	24.24	24.43
Oct	24.45	24.46	24.19	24.28	24.43
Dec	24.56	24.61	24.37	24.47	24.56
Jan	24.69	24.70	24.55	24.61	24.70
Mar	24.75	24.87	24.66	24.71	24.80
May	24.86	24.90	24.80	24.84	24.90
Jly	24.80	24.90	24.75	24.90	24.93
Aug	24.85	24.88	24.85	24.88	24.90

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Aug	174.50	175.00	173.50	174.40	174.40
Sep	176.00	176.50	174.80	175.90	175.80
Oct	177.70	178.50	176.70	177.30	177.30
Dec	182.00	182.50	180.70	182.10	181.60
Jan	183.80	183.80	182.50	183.20	183.00
Mar	186.50	186.50	185.00	185.90	186.00
May	188.00	188.00	186.80	187.20	187.20
Jly	189.00	189.50	189.00	189.50	188.00

Aug 188.50 190.00 188.50 189.50 187.50

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TORONTO (AUG. 16) UPI - Cineplex Odeon Corp. said Thursday it has extended indefinitely the closing date for a $31.75 million deal to sell 38 movie theaters to Plitt Amusement Company Inc. of Los Angeles.

Cineplex said ''negotiations are continuing'' and that the closing date had been extended.

Plitt Amusement is controlled by Henry G. Plitt.

A Cineplex spokesman said no specific date was set because talks with Plitt Amusement are on-going.

On Tuesday, Cineplex said the deal to sell theaters located in Utah, Idaho Minnesota, Oregon and Washington was in doubt and that ''all available legal remedies'' would be pursued if the deal fell through.

''The corporation believes that there is substantial uncertainty as to whether the transaction will close,'' Cineplex said at the same time it announced its second-quarter results.

The company posted a $38.4 million loss in the quarter for a total first-half loss of $50.4 million.

The sale of the theaters to Plitt Amusement is viewed as key to raising the $200 million in net proceeds by year-end as required under new banking agreements.

Cineplex's long term debt at the end of the second quarter totalled $479.4 million.

Cineplex operates more than 1,500 movie screens in 380 locations in Canada and the United States.

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#90228u1449 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
ZURICH, SWITZERLAND (AUG. 16) UPI - Jacobs Suchard AG announced Thursday the appointment of two Philip Morris Cos. executives to the top posts at the Swiss coffee and confectionery company.

Joining Jacobs Suchard will be Raymond G. Viault as chief executive

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CHICAGO (AUG. 16) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.
Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	78.50	78.57	78.37	78.47	78.57
Oct	77.65	77.97	77.65	77.92	77.80
Dec	76.45	76.70	76.37	76.55	76.55
Feb	75.95	76.15	75.90	76.07	76.00
Apr	76.40	76.60	76.40	76.52	76.42
Jun	74.45	74.45	74.37	74.42	74.40
Aug	73.15	73.15	73.10	73.10	73.05

Est. sales 7,703 contracts; Wednesday 11,362; open interest 67,869 off 1,101.
Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	90.00	90.20	89.95	89.97	90.00
Sep	87.92	88.40	87.92	88.10	87.90
Oct	86.50	87.97	86.50	86.67	86.62
Nov	86.27	86.70	86.27	86.47	86.40
Jan	85.55	85.95	85.55	85.95	85.70
Mar	84.55	84.65	84.40	84.65	84.45
Apr	83.87	84.00	83.87	84.00	83.85
May	....	....	83.00	83.00	83.05

Est. sales 994 contracts; Wednesday 1,299; open interest 11,664 up 106.
Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	56.95	57.60	56.90	57.57	56.87
Oct	49.52	50.12	49.47	49.85	49.52
Dec	50.10	50.60	50.05	50.10	50.17
Feb	48.25	48.67	48.10	48.25	48.52
Apr	44.50	44.72	44.35	44.37	44.42
Jun	49.00	49.05	48.70	48.70	48.80
Jly	....	49.25	49.20	49.20	49.00
Aug	47.30	47.75	47.30	47.75	47.75

Est. sales 6,304 contracts; Wednesday 5,442; open interest 30,677 off 984. Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	51.25	51.30	48.95	48.95	50.95
Feb	53.45	53.80	52.47	53.07	53.50
Mar	53.20	53.50	52.25	52.95	53.22
May	53.40	53.70	53.00	53.45	53.50
Jly	53.55	54.00	53.50	53.55	53.50

Est. sales 3,468 contracts; Wednesday 3,138; open interest 6,137 off 121.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut- out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 122.62 up 8 cents, 700-850 lbs. 122.42 down 4 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 115.95 down 2 cents, 700-850 lbs. 116.12 down 3 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light; fresh pork loins and Boston butts not fully established; skinned hams steady to $2.00 lower; seedless bellies steady; loins 14-18 lbs. 117.00-126.00, 18-22 lbs. 120.00; butts 4-8 lbs.90.50-94.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 91.00-91.50, 20-26 lbs. 90.00-91.00, 32 lbs. and up 88.00; bellies 14-16 lbs. 52.00-55.00, 16-18 lbs. 52.00, 20-25 lbs. 46.00.

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#90228u1471 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

TOLEDO, OH (AUG. 16) UPI - A businessman who escaped from Kuwait with six Americans and two Britons said Iraqi guards turned them away at the Saudi Arabia border but they found other guards to let them through.

Fritz Bruggemeier, 42, who was in Kuwait on a construction project for a sheik when Iraq invaded Kuwait two weeks ago, designs waterfalls and landscapes for resorts and hotels.

The former Toledo high school football star arrived at Detroit Metropolitan Airport Wednesday night to an emotional reunion with his family. He was among a group that sled about 500 miles in three cars from Kuwait into Saudi Arabia.

He said they decided not to leave in a bus because they feared they would have a better chance of success if they fled by car.

''We had a map given to us by some people who had gone out the same way,'' he said.

Bruggemeier, who now lives in Hawaii, said the part of the border outlined on the map was blocked by Iraqi soldiers, so they drove southwest to another area and encountered a less threatening group of troops, he said.

''We happened to come across a group of soliders who were laid back,'' he said.

Bruggemeier said the Iraqis in Kuwait allowed them to move about on the fifth day of the invasion. He said the troops at his hotel were never threatening.

''The soldiers were never abusive or pulled a gun on us,'' he said.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - President Bush's relationship with conservatives - always shaky at best - may have hit rock bottom.

In fact, the president's ties to the right wing are now so strained that a few conservatives are even complaining about his decision to send forces to Saudi Arabia, although they agree that defending the oil kingdom is in the best interests of the United States.

But while there is little doubt that the rift between the White House and the right wing is wider and deeper than ever, there are major differences over whether it will mean anything.

''As far as I'm concerned he's broken just about every campaign promise he's made,'' said conservative activist Richard Viguerie. ''There's a big blowup coming and it's going to hurt George Bush. In his genes he is not a conservative. In every fiber of his being he is a country club Republican.''

Even though Bush campaigned as a converted conservative in 1988, many in the right never really trusted him. They then watched with quiet dismay as Bush, instead of toeing a hard right ideological line, fashioned a moderate administration that has tried to keep communications open with mostly liberal groups such as blacks and homosexuals.

But in the past two months, several events have combined to force an open break between Bush and many conservatives.

The first came in late June when Bush turned away from his anti-tax pledge agreed that new taxes were needed to balance the budget. Then, on two separate occasions, the White House invited homosexual activists to bill signing ceremonies, despite conservative complaints that the president was abandoning ''traditional values'' by ''openly courting the homosexual lobby.''

Finally, earlier this month, Douglas Wead, a White House aide considered a key link to conservatives, left the administration after a series of internal fights, including his complaints that the White House was paying too much attention to homosexuals.

White House aides denied Wead was fired or that the departure was linked to the fight over the invitation to homosexuals.

But conservatives were outraged. Robert Dugan of the National Association of Evangelicals, fired off a letter to the president complaining Bush had ''put a White House stamp of approval upon the homosexual lifestyle.''

''Many evangelicals believe you are sacrificing your claim to be a 'traditional values president,''' he wrote.

But now that the so-called ''movement conservatives'' - the ones who helped push Ronald Reagan to power - have made no secret of this displeasure with Bush, they question remains whether it will have any effect.

Some analysts contend the conservative anger may be due, at least in part, to a lack of purpose in the movement. With the Cold War over, the theory goes, conservatives no longer have an easily identifiable common enemy and are in disarray.

''I think this (split with Bush) reflects more about problems in the conservative movement today,'' added Stephen Hess, a political analyst at the Brookings Institution. ''They are splintering and having problems with fund raising.''

''These things are cyclical,'' Hess noted. ''They (conservatives) have been in the catbird's seat for a long time now. There is something to the natural history of the political movement. This is a political movement that is now in late middle age and needs some rejuvenation.''

Hess and others also stress that in the eyes of average Americans, Bush's overall philosophy appears quite conservative - especially on issues such as abortion - and that he probably appeals to many rank-and-file voters.

But some of the hard-line conservatives insist that is not enough. When Bush's presidency develops an inevitable problem, they argue, he won't have a solid political base to fall back on. ''That's what helped Reagan during Iran-Contra,'' Viguerie said.

Many conservatives believe that a 1992 challenge to Bush from the right is inevitable. While none of them is predicting the popular president can be denied another Republican presidential nomination, they caution that unless Bush heals his rift with the right, it can expose some shortcomings and cause him damage against Democrats.

''As the president likes to say, 'Stay tuned,''' noted Howard Phillips of the Conservative Caucus.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - South African officials say factional fighting in black townships east of Johannesburg spread today into Soweto. Police report that mobs armed with spears attacked train passengers and clashes erupted elsewhere in the black township of Soweto, where at least five people were killed. Another 78 people were wounded, at least 15 of them seriously. A government spokesman says three days of factional fighting has left as many as 150 people dead.

A Japanese climber was rescued from a mountain on New Zealand's North Island, where he had spent five days in blizzard conditions. He climbed the mountain eight days ago and was last seen on Saturday digging a cave in the snow to escape from the weather. He said he lost his way while climbing down. Six soldiers on a training mission were killed on the mountain a few hundred yards away this week.

Space agency investigators are at the Danbury, Connecticut, optical company that built the Hubble telescope mirror to find out what caused its defect. The investigators believe an instrument used to measure the mirror during grinding may have been faulty. The telescope was launched into space in April. The incorrect curve in the mirror caused it to send back distorted pictures of space.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Gold futures closed 620 to 720 points higher Thursday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	401.00	409.20	400.50	409.20	402.60
Sep	402.20	....	....	410.20	404.00
Oct	404.70	413.20	404.70	412.80	406.50
Dec	409.50	418.00	409.50	417.80	411.30
Feb	414.00	422.10	413.50	422.10	415.50
Apr	418.50	426.20	418.00	426.20	419.60
Jun	425.00	430.60	424.50	430.60	424.00
Aug	426.40	434.80	426.40	434.80	428.20
Oct	431.10	439.60	431.10	439.60	432.90
Dec	436.00	444.50	436.00	444.50	437.70
Feb	444.00	449.80	444.00	449.80	442.90
Apr	446.00	....	....	454.80	447.80

Open interest: 125,895 up 3,923.

Estimated sales: 50,000 contracts.

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JERUSALEM (AUG. 16) UPI - Israel's chief rabbi told ultra-orthodox Jewish men Thursday that they could cut their beards in order to wear gas masks during a chemical weapons attack.

Rabbi Mordechai Eliahu said on Army Radio that many ultra-Orthodox men were worried that gas masks would not fit properly because of their long beards, which Jewish tradition prohibits them from shaving off.

Eliahu's reassuring advice to the ultra-orthodox was part of a large educational effort being conducted by the Israeli media this week to inform the public about the use of gas masks and safety procedures during a poison gas attack.

Fears of an Iraqi chemical weapons attack have risen sharply since last week, when Iraq accused Israel of joining U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia and warned of retaliation against the Jewish state if attacked. Iraq's use of chemical weapons during the Gulf War gave the threat added weight.

Despite repeated statements by Israeli leaders and senior army officials that there is no cause for alarm, many Israelis have bought their own gas masks amid calls for immediate distribution of the army's supply of masks. People have also stockpiled sealed supplies of such staples as rice and sugar, and bought bicarbonate of soda to counter the effects of poison gas.

The government has said it has enough gas masks for the entire Israeli population that can be handed out quickly when necessary. Officials fear immediate distribution of the masks could be perceived as a sign Israel was preparing for war and fear the public will improperly store the devices.

''There is no need to speed up the distribution of gas masks,'' Defense Minister Moshe Arens said on Israel Television Thursday, adding that Israel was well prepared for the remote possibility of a chemical weapons attack.

Eliahu said he wanted to calm the ultra-orthodox community after another rabbi told him that men feared their beards would hinder the effectiveness of the masks.

''I told him, 'Immediately order all the bearded men in your area to carry a pair of sissors if God forbid something happens','' Eliahu said. He said the army's chief rabbi had told him the military was aware of the problem and was seeking a solution.

Under the strict interpretation of Jewish law, men cannot cut their beards with a razor.

Eliahu said, if needed, the men could use electric razors, a method of shaving that does not violate the religious prohibition.

Almost every day, Israeli newspapers and radio programs carry stories about gas masks and the civil defense program to distribute them.

A lengthy article in the daily Ha'aretz Thursday described in detail a television announcement that shows what the populace should do if the country is attacked.

At one point in the announcment, which has not been aired, a mother tells her family: ''Come on children, let's go seal the room'' and then demonstrates how to make windows air tight with tape and put a wet towel at the bottom of a door.

The slogan ''There's also one for you'' is featured throughout the announcement to prevent panic at gas mask distribution points, Ha'aretz reported.

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EAST BERLIN (AUG. 16) UPI - The East German Social Democratic Party leadership Thursday asked SPD members to quit the ruling coalition, a move that could threaten unification negotiations between the two German governments.

The decision follows Wednesday's dismissal of four Cabinet ministers, including the three linked the closest with the rapidly deteriorating economy.

An SPD spokeswoman said the decision still needs the endorsement of the party's parliamentary faction, due to meet Tuesday. Party sources say the faction may call an earlier meeting.

Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere needs the support of the SPD to obtain the two-thirds parliamentary majority required to make the constitutional amendments necessary for German unification.

A two-thirds majority is also needed to ratify two key treaties to be signed with the West German government. One treaty deals with the procedure for all-German elections and the other is the final Unification Treaty.

The Liberal party had already quit the government coalition last month following disagreements over the technicalities of German elections.

SPD leader Wolfgang Thierse said Thursday his party will not support the draft Unification Treaty under its present form.

De Maiziere, whose Christian Democratic Union leads the government coalition, criticized the SPD and said that ''anyone who leaves the coalition now turns his back to national responsibility.''

The crisis in the 4-month-old government reflects mounting dissatisfaction over the rapid crumbling of the East German economy.

On Wednesday an estimated 250,000 farmers took part in nationwide demonstrations to protest the government's failure to control sinking prices and dwindling markets for East German agricultural produce.

In a surprise announcement Wednesday night, de Maiziere said he had dismissed the three ministers most closely linked with economic affairs, including Finance Minister Walter Romberg, of the SPD, and Agriculture Minister Peter Pollack, who is not affiliated to any party but was brought into the government by the SPD. De Maiziere said the third, Trade Minister Gerhard Pohl of the CDU, had offered his resignation.

Justice Minister Kurt Wuensche, who is not a member of any party, also resigned. Wuensche, who already held the justice portfolio under the Communist-led government from 1967 to 1972, had come under fire for moving too slowly against ex-Communist officials in the current legal administration.

SPD leader Wolfgang Thierse said he would call on his party, the second largest in the coalition, to quit the government.

''I personally cannot imagine anymore that one can continue to work together with a prime minister whose reactions are becoming more and more adventurous,'' he said.

He accused the CDU of seeking ''to belittle the SPD in order to get better starting chances for the CDU in the electoral campaign.''

The two parties will face a key test in Oct. 14 polls to elect regional governments in the five states that will replace the current 15 provinces in East Germany.

They are due to merge with their sister parties in West Germany - also called CDU and SPD - in advance of Dec. 2 all-German elections.

De Maiziere said the ministers who were dismissed had failed to use

properly the funds they had at their disposal.

He said that of the $2 billion budgeted for the rehabilitation of infrastructure, only $63 million had been spent to date. He said that about half the budgeted amount will now be handed over to regional bodies for immediate use.

The West German government had criticized the East German authorities for holding up the funds. Senior officials in Bonn had also accused Romberg of incompetence and claimed his demands for additional West German financial support were outrageous.

De Maiziere said his decision to oust the ministers had not been influenced by the government in Bonn - which is also led by the CDU.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - Corporations have reported ''phantom'' reductions in their release of toxic pollutants into America's air, water and land by using creative accounting tricks, an environmental group charged Thursday at a news conference disrupted by an angry industry president.

The National Wildlife Federation issued a 136-page report entitled ''Phantom Reductions: Tracking Toxic Trends'' that condemned many companies, including ALCOA - the Aluminum Company of America.

To the surprise of federation officials, ALCOA's president and chief executive officer, Paul O'Neill, was present when the report was released to reporters. He jumped up during the news conference to accuse the environmental organization of a ''malicious'' and ''scurrilous attack.''

O'Neill said the report unfairly misrepresented his company's performance, but National Wildlife Federation President Jay Hair rejected the allegation, saying: ''ALCOA, clean up your damn act.''

After O'Neill angrily stalked from the room, Hair added: ''It's clear that we've gotten their attention.''

The federation's report is based on new toxic pollution discharge data that must be disclosed by all major industrial plants under the 1986 ''community right-to-know'' law passed by Congress.

The Environmental Protection Agency has issued summaries for 1987 and 1988 with many plants reporting substantial reductions in discharges from 1987 to 1988, the last year for which figures are available.

A year ago, the federation identified the 500 highest-polluting facilities and dubbed them the ''Toxic 500.'' The new report re-examined 29 of them and concluded that many of their emissions did not decline significantly between 1987 and 1988.

The 29 facilities accounted for nearly 23 percent of 10.4 billion pounds of topic emissions reported to the EPA for 1987. Those facilities then reported a 39 percent decrease in emissions in 1988.

''On the basis of extensive interviews with plant officials, we concluded that most of the largest decreases in toxic emissions resulted from changes in reporting requirements, analytical methods, and production volume, and not from source reduction, recycling or pollution abatement,'' the report said.

''What good is the right to know if what we know is misleading?'' asked Hair. ''These were not real reductions, but phantom reductions.''

The report targeted ALCOA, which reported a reduction of 763 million pounds of aluminum oxide from three aluminum ore plants. The reduction was simply a result of more sophisticated measurement, not recycling or other measures to cut releases of the toxic chemical, the environmental group said.

''ALCOA's releases of aluminum oxide did not decrease between 1987 and 1988; the company just got better at measuring waste,'' said Gerald Poje, the environmental group's toxicologist. ''But the communities around those facilities need to know that ALCOA made no real improvements in its pollution control techniques.''

Many companies, including ALCOA, were able to show emissions reductions because the EPA has taken some toxic chemicals, including aluminum oxide, off its list of chemicals covered by the disclosure requirement.

Aluminum hydroxide was removed from the EPA list in February after the agency concluded the chemical was not toxic. It will not have to be reported to the EPA in 1989, even though it is still being emitted.

The reportable chemical list was initially created by Congress based on preliminary information on the most common industrial chemicals posing environmental or health threats. The EPA has authority to remove chemicals later found relatively non-hazardous.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 9 to 24 points higher. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.82	11.19	10.82	11.14	10.90
Mar	10.73	10.96	10.73	10.92	10.77
May	10.75	10.95	10.75	10.91	10.77
Jly	10.73	10.93	10.71	10.88	10.79
Oct	10.90	11.03	10.90	10.97	10.86

Estimated sales: 16,092 contracts
Open interest: 123,294 off 1,315
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.15

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday 1 to 8 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.35	23.35	23.34	23.34	23.37
Jan	23.10	23.10	23.10	23.10	23.11
Mar	23.06	23.06	23.05	23.05	23.06
May	23.10	23.10	23.07	23.07	23.15
Jly	23.15	23.15	23.10	23.10	23.15
Sep	23.14	23.14	23.06	23.06	23.14
Nov	22.99	....	....	22.87	22.95

Estimated sales: 292 contracts
Open interest: 9,167 up 69

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	401.38	244.61	136.71	25.82	340.06
Opening	398.69	242.49	135.57	25.55	337.60
11 a.m.	398.69	242.28	135.52	25.58	337.60
Noon	397.39	241.76	135.13	25.46	336.50
1 p.m.	395.86	241.08	134.70	25.36	335.22
2 p.m.	395.89	240.68	134.82	25.35	335.27
3 p.m.	395.22	239.78	134.79	25.27	334.70

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MARION, IL (AUG. 16) UPI - Former baseball great Pete Rose has been given a job in the machine shop at the U.S. Penitentiary, the prison warden said Thursday.

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''Mr. Rose is working in a remote maintenance area,'' Clark said. ''Mr. Rose is not treated any better nor is he treated any different than any other inmate housed at the Marion Federal Prison Camp.''

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Clark denied reports that baseball's all-time leader in base hits - 4,256 - is receiving preferential treatment.

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The newspaper also quoted a relative of one of the prison camp's inmates as saying Rose did not have to eat in the prison cafeteria, make his own bed, clean his room or watch television with the other inmates.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - Here are the 96 cities listed by the EPA for

exceeding federal smog standards. The list also includes the average number of days per year the city was out of compliance:

Northeast

Boston, 10 days; Hancock County, Maine, 2.8; Hartford, 7.9; Knox County, Maine, 11.1; Lewiston-Auburn, Maine, 1.5; Lincoln County, Maine, 2.4; Mnchester, N.H., 1.4; Portland, Maine, 6.1; Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester, N.H., and Maine, 5.3; Providence, R.I., 6.4; Springfield, Mass., 6.7; Waldo County, Maine, 1.1; Worcester, Mass., 5.2; Albany-Schenectady-Troy, N.Y., 2.7.

Mid-Atlantic

Atlantic City, N.J., 4; Buffalo, N.Y., 3.8; Essex County, N.Y., 1.8; Jefferson County, N.Y. 3.4; New York, 17.4; Poughkeepsie, N.Y., 1.3; Allentown-Bethlehem, Pa., 3.1; Altoona, Pa., 2; Baltimore, 10.7; Charleston, W.Va., 2.3; Erie, Pa., 3; Greenbriar County, W.Va., 1.4; Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, Pa., 2.2; Huntington-Ashland, W.Va.-Ky.-Ohio, 5.5; Johnstown, Pa., 2.5; Lancaster, Pa., 1.3; Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News, Va., 2; Parkersburg-Marietta, W.Va.-Ohio, 7.2; Philadelphia, 8.8; Pittsburg, 7; Reading, Pa., 3.4; Richmond-Petersburg, Va., 4.4; Scranton-Wilkes-Barre, Pa., 3; Smyth County, Va., 2.4; Sussex County, Del., 3.6; Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va., 4.9; York, Pa., 1.5.

Southeast

Atlanta, 9.3; Birmingham, Ala., 3; Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill, N.C., 3.4; Edmonson County, Ky., 3.2; Fayetteville, N.C., 1.4; Greensboro-Winston-Salem-High Point, N.C., 7.2; Greenville-Spartansburg, S.C. 2.4; Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol, Tenn.-Va., 1.7; Knoxville, Tenn. 1.8; Lexington-Fayette, Ky., 2; Livingston County, Ky., 1.1; Louisville, Ky.-Ind., 1.9; Memphis, Tenn.-Ark.-Miss., 2; Miami-Fort Lauderdale, Fla., 1.7; Montgomery, Ala., 1.8; Nashville, Tenn., 5.6; Owensboro, Ky., 3.7; Raleigh-Durham, N.C., 4.1; Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Fla., 1.4.

Midwest

Canton, Ohio, 1.7; CHicago, Ill.-Ind.-Wis., 13; Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.-Ind., 5.4; Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, Ohio, 5.2; Columbus, Ohio, 1.4; Dayton-Springfield, Ohio, 3.1; Detroit-Ann Arbor, Mich., 3.7; Evansville, Ind.-Ky., 1.1; Grand Rapids, Mich., 4.4; Indianapolis, Ind., 1.1; Kewaunee County, Wis., 5.5; Milwaukee-Racine, Wis., 9.8; Muskegon, Mich., 9.4; Sheboygan, Wis., 9.1; South Bend-Mishwaka, Ind., 1.1; Toledo, Ohio, 2.7; Youngstown-Warren, Ohio, 2.1.

Southwest

Baton Rouge, La., 4.5; Beaumont-Port Arthur, Texas, 3.7; Dallas-Fort-Worth Texas, 3.5; El Paso, Texas, 7.9; Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, Texas, 12.2; Lake Charles, La., 2.

Great Plains

Kansas City, Mo.-Kan., 1.2; St. Louis, Mo.-Ill., 6.2.

Rocky Mountain

Salt Lake City-Ogden, Utah, 2.

West

Bakersfield, Calif., 44.2; Fresno, Calif., 24.3; Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, Calif., 137.5; Modesto, Calif., 7.6; Sacramento Calif., 15.8; San Diego, Calif., 12.3; San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, Calif., 2.5; Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc, Calif., 2.1; Stockton, Calif., 2.3; Visalia-Tulare-Porterville, Calif., 7.6.

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AUSTIN, TX (AUG. 16) UPI - The federal government is expected to ask Texas and other oil states to increase crude production to offset the loss of imports from Iraq and Kuwait, Texas Railroad Commissioner John Sharp said Thursday.

Sharp said federal energy officials have contacted the commission about exploring increased Texas production, and an official request is expected to be issued to oil states soon.

What the commission's response will be is unclear, he said, but the agency will call a special meeting if a formal request is made.

Sharp said he has ordered staff to begin studying what effect a substantial production increase would have on the Texas energy industry, which currently produces about 1.7 million barrels a day.

''An initial analysis has shown that if we were to push our production levels, we could provide this country with up to another 30,000 barrels of oil per day without long-term damage to the oil fields,'' Sharp said.

''There are only two ways to produce that much extra oil in Texas - by increasing the allowed production in the East Texas Field and from the new horizontal wells springing up in South Texas.''

Before Iraq invaded Kuwait, the U.S. imported about 750,000 barrels of oil

per day from Iraq and Kuwait. Since then, oil from both countries has been embargoed.

For the last two decades, the Railroad Commission has set production rates in the East Texas fields - and with the horizontal wells since they have been developed - at less than 100 percent to avoid jeopardizing the long-term production of those fields.

''Substantially increasing production could have certain harmful effects on this state's energy industry. But during this time of crisis, we may be a critical player in maintaining our nation's energy demands, and we should study carefully what we can do to help,'' Sharp said.

Last week, Sharp and Enron Corp. Chairman Kenneth Lay of Houston urged President Bush to call on utilities in the Northeast and Midwest with dual-firing capacity to switch from fuel oil to natural gas for the duration of the Middle East crisis. If those facilities were to make the change, more than 160,000 barrels of imported oil per day could be offset through the use Texas-produced natural gas, Sharp said.

''If the producing states are going to be asked to do their part to help the country meet its energy needs, the consuming state should also pitch in by switching to the best domestic fuel we have - natural gas,'' he said.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 16) UPI - A judge Thursday threw the book at a California man for mutilating and stealing two rare books written and printed by Benjamin Franklin worth $60,000 from a university library exactly a year ago.

William Witherell, 39, of San Gabriel, Calif., was convicted on two counts of interstate transportation of stolen property after a one-day, non-jury trial.

U.S. District Judge J. William Ditter, Jr. freed Witherell on bail and ordered him to live with his parents in California until he is sentenced Nov. 28.

Witherell is a self-described loner who lived out of his Isuzu truck for

the last 10 years and frequented libraries throughout the U.S., Canada, South America and Mexico. He was recently diagnosed as schizophrenic.

Witherell was convicted of stealing and tearing the covers off the two 18th-century books a year ago from the University of Pennsylvania's Van Pelt Library.

He was arrested in January after FBI officials raided his parents' California home and found about 300 other rare books authorities believe may have been stolen from libraries around the U.S. and Canada.

The parents were not charged and have been cooperating with authorities.

Defense attorneys admitted Witherell did remove the books from the library but contended he did not know what he was doing because he had mental problems.

But Assistant U.S. Attorney Walter Batty, Jr. said Witherell knew exactly what he was doing. He used an alias, Greg Williams, to borrow the books inside the library and substituted old-looking library books for the ones he had taken.

Batty also noted that Witherell tore the covers off the books because he thought the spines contained a piece of metal that would set off a library metal detector.

Christine Ruggere, curator of special collections at Van Pelt, said the value of the books has dropped by about half because of the damage.

At the time of the theft, one book, ''A Catalog of Choice and Valuable Books to be Sold by B. Franklin, April 11, 1744,'' was worth $50,000. ''A Sermon on Education/B. Franklin's Idea of the English School,'' was worth $10,000, Ruggere said.

Authorities said there was no evidence Witherell tried to sell the books.

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NASHVILLE, TN (AUG. 16) UPI - Oklahoma native Garth Brooks, whose self-titled debut album sparked three No. 1 hits, was nominated for five awards Thursday by the Country Music Association.

Clint Black, Kathy Mattea, The Kentucky Headhunters and Alan Jackson received four nominations each for awards to be presented Oct. 8 during a live, two-hourshow telecast by CBS.

Finalists for country's top award, Entertainer of the Year, were Texan

Black and George Strait, West Virginian Kathy Mattea, Virginian Ricky Van Shelton and North Carolinian Randy Travis.

Brooks was nominated for the Horizon Award, given annually to the country entertainer whose career has shown the most significant development over the past year. Also nominated for the prestigious award were Jackson, The Kentucky Headhunters, Lorrie Morgan and Travis Tritt.

Each of the Horizon nominees have unquestionably had stellar career movement over the past year.

The final nominees were announced at a news conference hosted by Black and Patty Loveless in the courtyard in front of the Grand Ole Opry House.

A crowd of several hundred fans attended the announcement prompting Black to quip: ''Don't anyone work in this town?''

Brooks' other nominations were for Male Vocalist, Video, Single and Song of the year. Brooks co-wrote ''If Tomorrow Never Comes,'' the song nominated for top Single and Song.

In addition to his nomination for Entertainer, Black was also named a finalist for Single, Song and Male Vocalist.

The Kentucky Headhunters, whose debut album, ''Pickin' On Nashville'' went gold with sales of 500,000 without significant singles air play, were also nominated for Album, Vocal Group, and Video.

Mattea was also nominated for Single, ''Where've You Been,'' a song written by her songwriter-husband about the aging process.

She was also nominated for Female Vocalist and Video.

Others nominated for Female Vocalist were Loveless, Morgan, Reba McEntire and Tanya Tucker. Others nominated for Male Vocalist were Rodney Crowell, Shelton and Strait.

The 24th annual Country Music Awards will be broadcast live from the Grand OleOpry House. The show features the top performers in country music.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Sharply lower in moderate trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Sharply lower in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in sluggish trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Slightly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1 1/2 to down 2 1/2, soybeans off 1 1/4 to up 5, wheat off 1/2 to up 1 1/2 and oats up 1 to 1 1/2.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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LYNN, MA (AUG. 16) UPI - General Electric's aircraft engines division, predicting a sharp decline in Defense Department contracts, will eliminate 1,500 jobs at plants in Massachusetts and Ohio by 1992, company spokesmen said Thursday.

A combined 500 employees at plants in Lynn and Evendale, Ohio, were expected to be laid off, while another 1,000 positions will be dropped as they are vacated, GE spokesman Robert Risch said.

Risch said it was expected the Lynn plant would lose slightly more jobs than the Ohio plant since one of its major subcontracts, the government's P-7 anti-submarine plane, was recently lost.

GE Aircraft Engines, which employs 37,250 people worldwide, drew $6.8 billion in revenue last year from military contracts, almost half its total. The division expects the figure to drop 30 percent by 1992, company officials said.

''We regret that our existing work load is not large enough to support current employment levels,'' said Brian Rowe, the division's senior vice president.

''However, in order to remain competitive in light of severely decreasing defense budgets and an increasingly challenging commercial market, we must operate our business in the most efficient manner,'' Rowe said.

The layoffs and attrition were expected to primarily affect salaried workers at the Lynn plant since most of the jobs there will be lost in the research and development areas, rather than in engineering and production, Risch said.

The spokesman said the commercial side of the division had absorbed about 5,000 jobs that were lost on the military end in the last three years, but has ''reached the saturation point,'' thus bringing about the layoffs.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - Iraq has ordered Americans and Britons in Kuwait to gather in hotels. The British Foreign Office said its citizens were told the roundup was for possible internment in Iraq. The State Department said it did NOT know why the Americans were told to congregate. This development comes as Iraq allowed some 45-hundred foreigners... mostly Egyptians... to enter Jordan.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today issued an open letter praying that there will be NO war in the Middle East... yet again calling for a holy war against U-S troops in Saudi Arabia. The letter... read by a spokesman on Baghdad Television... vowed that President Bush will be defeated.

The United States is warning Iraq that if Baghdad uses chemical weapons in the Gulf conflict, Washington will respond with its own stockpile. The warning comes from the U-S delegate to the 40-nation Disarmament Conference in Geneva, Switzerland. The talks on banning chemical weapons have gone on for 12 years.

Two environment groups filed suit in Washington, D-C, today to try to stop the Navy and Department of Energy from testing a new type of nuclear submarine reactor. The tests would take place at the Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory near Schenectady, New York. The government says a 20-year-old study shows that the tests are safe.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Iraq could become the dominant player in setting world oil prices if President Bush's efforts to oust it from occupied Kuwait fail, a senior executive from a major U.S. oil company said Thursday.

If there is a failure of the United Nations' embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports, the Iraq-Kuwait combine would dominate the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, the executive said. Bush has ordered U.S. warships to enfore the blockade.

''They would be the dominant player in OPEC and could pretty well set what the price would be,'' said the executive, who commented on condition he not be identified.

Unless the embargo is effective in forcing a withdrawal from Kuwait, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will be in a position ''to assert almost total dominance over OPEC with control of Iraqi and Kuwaiti reserves,'' agreed Foster Mellen, an analyst with Energy Security Analysis in Washington.

OPEC pumps about 40 percent of the crude oil currently traded on world markets and the cartel appears ready to reassert the control of world prices it had in the 1970s as global demand catches up with supply.

In an effort to prop up world prices, the cartel has placed a ceiling on its combined daily output of 22.5 million barrels. Of this amount, Iraq and Kuwait have been alloted a combined total of 4.6 million barrels, second only to Saudi Arabia's 5.4 million-barrel quota.

So, Bush's peace condition that Saddam withdraw all Iraqi troops from Kuwait and allow the Kuwaiti government and ruling family to return is more than a political 'drawing a line in the sand.'

If the condition is not met, there could be severe disruptions in the economies of the major industrialized nations of the world as Saddam assumed a dominant position in the OPEC cartel.

This position would be even more enhanced if Iraq's peace package this week formally ending the eight-year Iran-Iraq war is accepted, and Iran allies itself with Iraq in OPEC councils. Iran has as 3.1 million-barrel daily quota.

OPEC prices plunged in the mid-1980s as use of alternative fuels, more efficient automobiles and general conservation markedly lowered world demand and the flow from new Alaska and North Sea oil fields raised crude-oil output.

Saudi Arabia' oil minister Hisham Nazer earlier this year forecast that the industrialized nations would become increasingly dependent on OPEC during the 1990s.

But Nazer painted a relatively benign picture of oil prices rising gradually so as not to cause economic disruptions and a flight to alternative fuels.

With Iraq's Saddam in the OPEC driver's seat, it is doubtful increases in oil prices would be as gradual and the effect as benign.

''However this thing comes out, we're going to have a new OPEC,'' Mellen said. ''Assuming that Saddam Hussein exits the scene altogether, Saudi Arabia will move back into a leadership position.''

The Saudi position had been eroded in recent years by the constant push of Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates for higher production quotas to utilize their large unused capacity, the analyst said.

Because of internal economic demands, the Saudis could not lower production enough to maintain prices at a desirably high level.

The result was OPEC overproduction and a world glut of oil developing in the wake of an unusually warm winter this year in Europe and North America. Crude prices plunged about $6 a barrel in the first six months of the year.

As a result Saddam said Iraq had lost billions of dollar in revenue needed to repair the damage from his war with Iran. He accused Kuwait and the UAE of being ''stooges'' of the United States by keeping oil prices low.

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#90228u1617 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (AUG. 16) UPI - The European-built Ulysses solar probe's nuclear powerpack is safe and work is on schedule to ready the costly spacecraft for launch around Oct. 5 aboard the shuttle Discovery, officials said Thursday.

Ulysses, a joint $750 million project between NASA and the European Space Agency, is powered by a small nuclear generator, prompting criticism from anti-nuclear activists concerned about the threat of plutonium fallout in the event of a disaster.

But NASA officials say Ulysses' powerpack was designed to withstand even a shuttle explosion and Derek Eaton, the Ulysses project manager, said media reports about the issue amounted to ''scare mongering.''

''They're entitled to their viewpoint. I happen to think they're wrong,'' he said of activists who oppose Discovery's launch. ''Most thinking Europeans would think (recent media coverage) is wrong, it's scare mongering.

''This happens in every country in the world and you just have to live with that sort of thing. I don't feel offended, I don't feel disgusted, I don't feel amused, it's a point of view which I don't happen to share.

Discovery currently is scheduled to be hauled to launch pad 39B shortly after the shuttle Columbia takes off Sept. 1 from nearby pad 39A.

Work to ready Discovery for flight is extremely tight - only four days are built into the processing flow to handle unexpected problems - and the space agency could run out of money around launch time if debate over the federal budget is not resolved.

But deputy administrator Samuel Keller said by telephone from Washington that Discovery's launching would not be affected by any budget trouble.

''I do not intend to have that happen,'' Keller said. ''We do not see an impact on Ulysses. The worst case for us ... we believe, is that everybody would get laid off one day and we would exempt the Ulysses (launch) crew from that.''

Ulysses cost the European Space Agency some $250 million. NASA is chipping in some $500 million, which includes the cost of the shuttle launch, data processing and a $95 million three-stage solid-fuel booster system.

To accomplish its mission, Ulysses first must be fired to Jupiter so the giant planet's gravity can fling it down, out of the plane of the solar system and back toward the sun. The probe's post-Jupiter trajectory will carry it first over the sun's south pole and then the north.

Because of the positions of Earth and Jupiter, NASA only has 18 days to get Ulysses off the ground or the flight will be delayed for 13 months while the two planets return to favorable launch positions.

Discovery's roll out to launch pad 39B is somewhat uncertain given plans to launch the repaired shuttle Columbia from nearby pad 39A on Sept. 1, but engineers at the Kennedy Space Center are considering making the move a few hours after Columbia takes off.

Possibly working over the Labor Day holiday, engineers and technicians will have only four days of on-the-launch-pad ''contingency'' time at most to handle any unexpected problems that might crop up before liftoff. Discovery originally was expected to have 10 days of contingency time at the pad.

But a series of minor snags and mishaps have slowed launch processing. Given that NASA historically loses a day per week at the launch pad - and given the possibility of problems launching Columbia - the Oct. 5 target date for the Ulysses mission could be in jeopardy.

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#90228u1618 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - With nearly three months left until Election Day, political action committees have contributed more than $90 million to

the 1990 congressional race with five individual PACs each topping the $1 million mark, campaign documents showed Thursday.

Business-related PACs contributed almost two-thirds of the money - $62.1 million - with labor groups coming in second with $19.9 million. No other single category of interest groups or political fronts came close although all combined still gave $8.6 million.

The $90.8 million will go much higher before the Nov. 6 election when voters across the country pick all members of the House and 33 senators.

''The heavy giving comes in the last two months, especially in October,'' said Jane Mentzinger, a spokesperson for Common Cause, a citizen's group that specializes in tracking PAC money.

The National Association of Realtors was the single biggest giver of PAC money, having contributed $1,323,350 to candidates from Jan. 1, 1989, through the end of July.

Three unions and one other business-related PAC also gave more than $1 million each.

Trailing the realtors group were the Teamsters union, $1,208,327; the National Association of Letter Carriers, $1,125,950; American Telephone & Telegraph Co., $1,040,950, and the United Brotherhood of Carpenters & Joiners, $1,027,370.

Other top contributors among business and labor PACs were: American Medical Association, $942,220; National Association of Home Builders, $940,350; American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees, $902,144; Association of Trial Lawyers of America, $899,700; National Association of Federal Employees, $887,700; United Auto Workers, $883,462.

The totals were compiled from reports filed by the PACs with the Federal Election Commission.

In the last two-year congressional campaign period in 1987-88, FEC records said PACs contributed a total of $147.8 million.

While there was no immediate comparitive figure for the period ending in July 1988, officials at the FEC and Common Cause both said it appeared contributions were running at least as strongly this campaign and probably were even greater.

Steve Driesler, senior vice president of government affairs for the National Association of Realtors, said an increase would be caused by rising costs of campaigns and growing understanding of the role of PACs.

''Our average contribution is less than $30,'' he said. ''Their interest in the process, both positively and negatively, has grown over time. There's more political iterest so more money is given, and there is more to give away.''

PACs representing interest groups other than business or labor in general could not match the overall spending of these two groups. For example, the 25th largest business-related PAC, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, contributed $313,450 and the 25th largest labor PAC, National Rural Letter Carriers Association, gave $255,400.

However, some individual PACs were big players in the money-giving league. National PAC, a group promoting Isreali causes, gave $497,500 and the National Rifle Association contributed $415,011.

Other big spenders were the National Committee for an Effective Congress, a generally liberal group, gave $362,225; the National Committee to Preserve Social Security, $283,250; Human Rights Campaign Fund, $261,550; and the National Abortion Rights Action League, $182,838.

For 905 candidates seeking either a seat in the Senate or House, the average overall PAC contributions was $100,352. Business PACs gave an average of $68,714 and labor PACs gave an average of $22,025.

Senate candidates fared better than those running for the House, getting an average total PAC contributions of $313,219 to $78,634 for House candidates.

And incumbents were way out ahead of their challengers. The average senator seeking re-election this year received $557,529 in PAC money, while the non-incumbent running got $120,889.

The ratio in the House was even more lopsided with sitting members getting an average of $135,433 to $12,637 for their rivals.

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#90228u1625 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - The Bush administration has begun sending notices of possible furloughs to federal workers. It blames stalled negotiations to reduce the budget deficit. A published report says workers are being warned that they could face up to 22 days of unpaid leave.

The United States today loaned 20-Million dollars to the Philippines to help repair roads, schools and other public structures damaged by the July 16th earthquake. The U-S Agency for International Development announced the loan. The quake killed more than 16-hundred people and did some 900-Million dollars worth of damage.

Investigators are trying to figure out how a fire started in the attic of the Rodin Museum in Philadelphia... site of the largest collection of Rodin works outside Paris. The museum was closed at the time of the brief fire, and there was NO damage to the building or the sculptures. Rodin is best known for his work ''The Thinker.''

A new survey on what worries nearly 27-thousand junior high and high school students finds that their two top concerns are finding a job and being able to support a family. A majority of those polled said 50-thousand dollars is the median salary they expect to earn at age 30.

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#90228u1635 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (AUG. 16) UPI - Motorists in a number of cities nationwide protested rising gasoline prices Thursday by refusing to purchase fuel and driving with their vehicles' headlights on.

The motorists responded to pleas from radio stations to make Thursday a gas boycott day to show their displeasure at gasoline price hikes since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

KGGI, the Riverside, Calif., that organized the boycott effort, said about 40 stations nationwide participated. According to a Houston station backing the boycott, another 15 other stations were taking part.

''We're just trying to make a statement. Our slogan is, 'Together we can make a statement,''' said Joe Libios, promotions director for KHYS in Houston.

Dave Ferguson, program director at WPGC in Greenbelt, Md., said that 3,000 calls were placed to the station supporting the boycott that about 200 did not. Steve Hegwood, KHYS program director, said the station received 702 supportive calls in three hours Thursday.

''The response has been fabulous,'' said Jeff Dean of KGGI. ''The reason is probably that people can relate to this. It gives the consumers ... a chance to cry out, to get their voice heard.''

Dean said the station received a negative call from a gas station owner who said the boycott was unfair.

Program Director Mike McCoy of KJ103 in Oklahoma City said a limousine service in the city offered to send a limo to pick up anyone who ran out of gas while supporting the boycott.

Many of the stations began promoting the boycott Monday or Tuesday and

received a growing number of calls each day in support of the effort, station officials said.

''The phones have been ringing nonstop since Tuesday, when we announced it on the air,'' said Rich Stevens of 102 JAMZ in Orlando, Fla. ''We realize we can't stop buying gas. But we also understand there is no gasoline shortage and there is no reason for the higher prices.''

Dan Upton, program director for KITY in San Antonio, Texas, said people responded to the boycott because ''anyone who drives a car has been affected by gas prices going up.''

Some stations reported supportive calls from people with relatives among the American troops sent to Saudi Arabia to stop any Iraqi attempt to invade that country.

Jim Daniels of KGGI said a woman caller said she would not be driving Thursday and would support the boycott by posting a sign in her yard saying ''No Gas Thursday.''

''What we have to remember is that we have American servicemen overseas,'' he said. ''Everyone should remember we have people who may fight and die in the Middle East over the prices on the pumps. She said her brother-in-law and his brother had been shipped to Saudi Arabia.''

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#90228u1636 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.98

60 to 89 days 7.88

90 to 119 days 7.82

120 to 149 days 7.74

150 to 179 days 7.73

180 to 270 days 7.66

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.05 - 7.75

Issuers 30 days 7.93

Issuers 90 days 7.62

Issuers 270 days 7.41

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.03

60 to 89 days 8.02

90 to 119 days 8.02

120 to 149 days 8.02

150 to 179 days 8.02

180 days 8.02

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight	8.50	- 9.00
1 month	8.00	- 8.125
3 month	8.00	- 8.125
6 month	8.00	- 8.125
Year	8.00	- 8.125

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.49 - 7.47

6 months 7.44 - 7.42

Year 7.30 - 7.28

Federal Funds: High 8 5/8, Low 8 1/8, Close 8 3/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7.925 up 0.088.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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CHICAGO (AUG. 16) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.79 1/2-2.96 1/2 off 1/4 to up 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.13-6.15 unch to up 2.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.47-2.54 up 1 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.63-2.65 up 1 1/2.

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#90228u1650 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - A jury in its eighth day of deliberations Thursday heard doctors and two of three youths on trial describe how a woman jogger was nearly beaten to death during a gang rape in Central Park last year.

Descriptions of her critical injuries and the gruesome way they were inflicted were contained in two hours of testimony read back by a court reporter at state Supreme Court in Manhattan. The readback was requested by the jury trying to reach a verdict on the attempted murder count.

Antron McCray, 16, Yusef Salaam, 16, and Raymond Santana, 15, are on trial on 13 criminal counts - including rape and attempted murder. They are accused of being part of a gang of up to 30 youths that rampaged through the moonlit park during a random crime spree on April 19, 1989.

''She hung onto life by a thread. I think it's close to a miracle she survived,'' testified Dr. Robert Kurtz, who treated the 30-year-old

investment banker at Metropolitan Hospital.

He described how the attackers' blows crushed the woman's head and ''the tremendous force against her eyeball caused it to explode.'' He said the woman lost three-quarters of her blood and her blood pressure was so low it was almost non-existent.

''Her condition was life threatening,'' Kurtz testified.

The jury also heard testimony from the police officer who found the woman's body in a muddy gully off the 102nd Street Transverse, an Emergency Medical Service technician who rushed her to the hospital and the emergency room physician who treated her.

But the most powerful testimony came from the youths themselves, through videotaped confessions by McCray and Santana. Salaam did not sign a written confession or make a videotape but instead was interviewed by a detective.

On his videotape, McCray described in chilling detail how he kicked the woman twice and how, after she was raped and unconscious, they continued to beat her.

''After everybody was done, you still hit her on the head?'' asked Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer during the videotaped questioning.

''Yeah,'' McCray replied.

''She wasn't moving then?'' Lederer asked.

''Yeah,'' said the teenager.

On Santana's videotape, he described how another youth, Steven Lopez, who will be tried later, picked up a brick and hit her twice in the head.

''After he hit her in the head with the brick, was she moving?'' Lederer asked Santana.

''No,'' he replied.

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#90228u1659 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (AUG. 16) UPI - More Americans may be cutting down on cholesterol and quitting smoking but most still shun exercise as a way to guard against heart disease, federal health officials reported Thursday.

A Centers for Disease Control study provides the first evidence that people are less likely to exercise than to make other lifestyle changes known to lower the risk of coronary artery disease.

The study also found between 30 percent to 40 percent of heart disease deaths probably could have been prevented if the victims had exercised.

''We have been waiting for this evidence,'' said Elaine Eaker, chief of the CDC's chronic disease control division. ''Physical activity has been sitting on the back burner for a long time while everyone has been focusing on cholesterol and smoking.

''The entire U.S. population needs to get out there and start moving,'' Eaker said.

Heart disease kills more Americans than any other single cause of death, claiming 2.1 million lives in 1987, the CDC said.

To avoid being labeled inactive by the government, people have to walk, run or engage in another sports activity at least three times a week for at least 20 minutes.

A survey involving people in 37 states found 58 percent failed to meet the recommended exercise level, while 31 percent had high levels of artery-clogging cholesterol, 25 percent smoked, 22 percent were obese and 17 percent had high blood pressure.

Cholesterol levels greater than 200 milligrams per deciliter of blood were considered dangerous. Obesity, smoking and hypertension are also known risk factors for heart disease.

In related research, the CDC studied heart disease deaths in 13 states with public health campaigns to increase exercise.

Of the 13 states, New York reported the greatest proportion of people who avoid exercise - 74 percent. Washington and Colorado had the best scores, with about 45 percent of respondents labeled inactive.

CDC researchers estimated nearly 40 percent New York's heart disease deaths may have been prevented if the victims had exercised more. About 30 percent of heart disease deaths in Washington and Colorado could have been prevented by more active lifestyles, they added.

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#90228u1667 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1121.4
Wednesday	1122.7
Week ago	1126.6
Month ago	1143.6
Year ago	1107.4
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	59	off	7-8
AT&T	34 3-8	off	7-8
BCE	32 7-8	unch	
Bell Atl	45 3-8	off	1 1-8
BellSouth	52 7-8	off	7-8
Exxon	51 3-4	off	1-4
Ford Motor	37 1-8	off	1
Gen Elect	64 7-8	off	1 3-8
Gen Motors	38 1-4	off	1 3-4
GTE	x26 1-2	off	5-8
IBM	104	off	1
Mobil	66 1-2	unch	
Nynex	74 1-4	off	1 3-4
Pac Gas El	21 7-8	off	1-4
Pac Teles	41 1-4	off	3-4
Phila El	x15 1-2	unch	
Sears	29 7-8	off	3-4
South Co	24 1-4	off	3-8
Swst Bell	52 1-8	off	5-8
US West	35 7-8	off	1-4

x-ex-dividend.

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#90228u1710 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2681.44	off	66.83
20 Trans	939.78	off	21.90
15 Utils	202.59	off	2.58
65 Stocks	932.28	off	20.92

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#90228u1714 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.61	off 0.08
10 Public Utils	91.89	up 0.03
10 Industrials	89.33	off 0.20

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#90228u1722 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 14,160,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,228,504,345
Bonds - $2,140,000
1990 to date - $455,813,000

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#90228u1731 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 138,850,000 shares
1990 to date - 25,249,033,392
Warrants - 1,319,600
1990 to date - 152,894,700

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#90228u1738 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday 25 points higher to 11 points lower.

COTTON:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	71.20	71.55	70.25	70.90	70.85
Dec	69.65	69.75	68.40	68.89	68.86
Mar	71.20	71.30	69.75	70.12	70.23
May	71.80	71.90	70.61	71.00	70.95
Jly	71.00	71.40	70.80	70.85	70.72
Oct	68.50	68.50	68.50	69.05	68.80
Dec	67.60	67.80	67.60	67.60	67.51

Estimated sales: 8,000 contracts
Open interest: 34,769 up 197
The World spot average: 72.68

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(AUG. 16) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 182.73 off 3.81
ASE Market Value Index 336.83 off 3.81
Dow-Jones Industrial 2681.44 off 66.83

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#90228u1743 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Thursday - $37,340,000
1990 to date - $7,217,737,000

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#90228u1750 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 340.64, low 336.56, close 326.83, off 3.81.

There was a loss of 13 cents in the average share price.

Volume 14,160,000 shares, compared with 13,630,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	2
New Lows	65
Advances	164
Declines	439
Unchanged	207
Total Issues	810

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#90228u1752 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
ANN ARBOR, MI (AUG. 16) UPI - Airline pilots should be required to pass a cockpit sobriety test before they can start their engines, two University of Michigan researchers said Thursday.

The researchers propose installing a system to measure impairment not only by alcohol but also by fatigue or drugs, possibly modeled on those developed by the auto industry.

Known as an ignition-interlock system, the system would require a pilot to successfully perform tasks that gauge reaction time, short-term memory and visual tracking in order to take off.

Dr. Jack Modell, assistant professor of psychiatry at the U-M Medical

Center, and Dr. James Mountz, an assistant professor of internal medicine, detailed their proposal in the latest edition of the New England Journal of Medicine.

Their report comes as three former Northwest Airlines pilots stand trial in Minneapolis for allegedly flying while impaired by alcohol. One of the pilots allegedly drank 15 to 20 rum-and-diet colas the night before flying a plane from Fargo, N.D., to Minneapolis.

In addition to the cockpit tests, the U-M physicians also recommended:

-Pilots be required to abstain from drinking for at least 12 hours before a flight instead of the current eight hours.

-Any pilot who consumes five or more drinks at one sitting be barred from the cockpit for at least 24 hours.

-Maximum allowed blood-alcohol be reduced from the current 0.04 percent to not more than 0.01 percent. In Michigan, the limit for motorists is 0.10 percent.

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#90228u1757 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2732.18	2746.53	2676.24	2681.44	off 66.83
20 Trans	953.28	960.04	935.58	939.78	off 21.90
15 Utils	204.60	204.98	202.40	202.59	off 2.58
65 Stock	947.38	952.28	930.00	932.28	off 20.92

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	20,323,200	16,707,000
Trans	3,550,500	3,552,500
Utils	2,009,200	2,783,700
65 Stock	25,882,900	23,043,200

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#90228u1763 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Long Island utility crews came to Manhattan to help restore electricity to a 30-block section of Lower Manhattan, where the revival of street and traffic lights was expected Thursday.

Con Edison hoped to flip the switch by the end of the day, simultaneously relighting street and traffic lights around the Fulton district, which is

south of the Brooklyn Bridge and includes Beekman Downtown Hospital and the Fulton Fish Market.

''Once we finish the final tie-ins, we'll perform safety checks to make sure our people are safe and out of there. The traffic and street lights may be restored all at once because of the way the circuitry is arranged '' said Con Edison spokesman Bill Murphy.

At New York Infirmary-Beekman Downtown Hospital, 182 patients along with administrators and workers also were anticipating a return of electrical power later in the day.

The non-profit hosital has closed its emergency room, canceled all elective surgeries, lost its air conditioning and managed with just two of its eight elevators. It has been relying on a Con Edison generator since its own generator system failed.

''We're just in readiness,'' said an excited Joan Macri, the hospital's director of development, before power returned.

The lack of full power did not stop nine babies from being born at the hospital since the blackout, and all infants and mothers were doing fine, she said.

The area, with about 2,500 residential units and 815 business customers, has been forced to rely on dry ice and emergency generators since a fire caused a blackout Monday and shut down power at the tip of Lower Manhattan.

Power was restored that day for most of region, including the World Trade Center, but the Fulton district, bordering the East River between William, Dover and Wall streets, was served by the substation that was the site of the fire and has been powerless while workers rush extensive repairs.

Con Edison officials say it will cost nearly $25 million to rebuild the nearly destroyed substation and it will take until late Sunday to lay and splice about 5 miles of new cable for interim power connections.

''We're still kind of on schedule. There are no serious setbacks at the moment,'' Murphy said.

Hundreds of crews, with three to five workers each, were working around the clock. The Long Island Lighting Company sent in about 40 reinforcements, including six cable-pulling crews and support personnel, to speed the effort, officials said.

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#90228u1764 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 16) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Thursday - 10,017,000
1990 to date - 1,614,520,000

The market closed sharply lower.

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#90228u1766 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	$133,603,552	51 3/8	off 6 3/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	68,545,632	36	off 1
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	52,009,964	34 5/8	off 1 7/8
Micrsoft Cp	(MSFT)	42,613,676	61 3/4	off 2 1/2
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	42,291,808	38 1/2	off 3/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	41,629,668	77	off 7/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	39,320,572	46 3/4	off 2
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	32,489,904	27 1/2	off 3/4
Marcam Corp	( )	24,919,114	18	unch
Argo Group	(AGII)	23,494,492	71	unch

Composite Index 176.13 off 4.12

NMS volume 85,925,400 shares.

Advances	467
Declines	1,146
Unchanged	1,206
Total	2,819

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#90228u1769 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - Farmers may face higher fuel and chemical prices as a result of the Persian Gulf crisis but it also could lead to higher demand for corn used in producing gasohol, government and industry officials said Thursday.

Consumers are unlikely to feel much of an impact from rising costs to farmers, analysts said, because fuel, utilities and chemical costs are about 15 percent of farm expenses and farmers get about 24 cents of each dollar spent on food.

Farmers might recoup some of the higher costs through larger consumption of corn, used in making ethanol, the grain alcohol that is mixed with gasoline to make gasohol. Refiners have vowed to step up production, which

could result in demand for an additional 60 million bushels of corn.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	401.38	244.61	136.71	25.82	340.06
Opening	398.69	242.49	135.57	25.55	337.60
11 a.m.	398.69	242.28	135.52	25.58	337.60
Noon	397.39	241.76	135.13	25.46	336.50
1 p.m.	395.86	241.08	134.70	25.36	335.22
2 p.m.	395.89	240.68	134.82	25.35	335.27

3 p.m.	395.22	239.78	134.79	25.27	334.70
Close	392.42	238.03	134.15	25.05	332.39
Change	off 8.96	off 6.58	off 2.56	off 0.77	off 7.67

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DETROIT (AUG. 16) UPI - The Defense Department's Inspector General's Office confirmed Thursday it will look into whether it or Ford Motor Co. should get about $100 million in pension fund money from the automaker's sale this summer of its aerospace unit to Loral Corp., a New York defense and electronics company.

The Pentagon will conduct an audit into the sale because the government may rightly own that pension fund money, since it was paid to Ford to cover overhead costs in bidding for defense contracts.

As part of the $715 million sale of Ford Aerospace, Loral agreed to let the nation's No. 2 carmaker keep about $100 million from the aerospace unit's pension fund, which is overfunded by about $300 million.

''Our auditors will be looking at this issue,'' Pentagon spokesman James Turner said. ''We will be looking at how much federal funding in retirements there is, and whether it complies with regulations.''

Federal pension laws now prohibit companies from taking assets from existing pension funds. But companies have skirted that regulation by terminating pension plans and then re-establishing them under a new name.

Turner declined to characterize the audit as an official investigation.

''To characterize this as an investigation has a connotation of criminality,'' he said, adding that the audit ''is in a preliminary stage.''

Ford spokesman Tom Rhoades acknowledged the automaker has had daily contact with the Defense Department relating to this matter.

''They have asked us for a copy of the sale agreement which we will send shortly,'' Rhoades said.

However, a spokesman for Loral said the company has not been contacted by the Defense Department so far, but hinted that such an investigation is sure to be complex and lengthy.

Ford may have anticipated any problems with the sale of its Newport Beach, Calif., aerospace unit as it relates to pension funds. As part of the transaction, Loral agreed to assume any potential liabilities that could

be incurred if the government tries to claim the pension money.

Loral said earlier this month it has no current plans to divest any of the operations of Ford Aerospace or make any major changes in its operations. Ford also assured the 17,000 workers at its former aerospace and defense unit that Loral would maintain wages and benefits equal to those of Ford's for two years.

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Wednesday	401.38	244.61	136.71	25.82	340.06
Week ago	401.20	249.34	135.93	25.95	339.94
Month ago	433.20	282.57	137.25	28.83	365.32
Year ago	394.27	307.27	139.04	33.00	344.45
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	371.92	238.03	134.15	25.05	322.98

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - The United States is not planning to detain Iraqi students or visitors as a possible response to President Saddam Hussein's detention of Americans in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, a U.S. official said Thursday.

''The INS has not been contacted about a roundup of Iraq nationals,'' said Duke Austin, Immigration and Naturalization Service spokesman.

''We're not doing anything in that direction.''

A State Department spokesman also said he knows of no plans to answer Iraq's detention of Americans in Kuwait and Iraq by preventing Iraqis from leaving the United States.

Meanwhile Iraqi sources in Washington and Detroit said there has been no fear among Iraqi citizens that the United States would be detaining Iraqis in response for Saddam's detention of Americans.

''People are not leaving. There is no fear of being locked up,'' said an Iraq Embassy employee Thursday, who declined to be identified.

There are 1,403 Iraqi students in the United States, most of them in

Michigan, California, Texas and Ohio, said Austin. In addition, from January to August another 2,600 Iraqis entered the United States on a variety of visas but Austin said there is no way to know how many remain in the country.

''The United States has no exit policy - most democracies don't,'' said Austin, in reference to Iraq's exit policy - in normal times - of requiring a week's waiting period for foreigners seeking to depart Iraq after making known their intentions to do so.

Any foreign national leaving the United States can voluntarily leave a departure card with the airline at the airport, but no government officials look at the passports of those exiting the country, Austin said.

''Only the air carrier looks at the passports to be sure the passenger has visas needed at the destination,'' said Austin.

In World War II, the INS ran detention camps - since declared unconstitutional - for several hundred thousand Japanese-Americans. Currently, the INS detains foreign nationals who are in the United States without legal documentation.

In Detroit, Iraqi-American businessman Faisal Arabo said he has not heard of Iraqis leaving the United States, or of any fear that those holding Iraqi passports would be locked up. He estimated the Iraqi community in Detroit at 75,000, most of whom are U.S. citizens, with several thousand permanent residents and still holding Iraq passports.

''We are very concerned, but have not felt hostility against us, and I have not heard of any fear about being able to leave the country,'' said Arabo.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	336.83	off	3.81
High Technology	332.76	off	6.95
Capital Goods	372.80	off	5.09
Consumer Goods	409.59	off	5.65
Service	764.04	off	14.15
Retail	1094.82	off	27.53
Financial	382.22	up	0.86
Natural Resources	253.13	off	0.58
Housing-Const-Land	350.44	off	5.11

There was a loss of 13 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	418.79	off	6.04
Mid Atlantic	433.13	off	4.63
No Central	474.69	off	9.28
So Atlantic	960.39	off	14.89
So Central	331.70	off	5.35
Mountain	116.27	off	4.71
Pacific	395.22	off	5.25
Foreign	251.34	off	0.42

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ATLANTA (AUG. 16) UPI - Murder was the leading cause of injury-type fatalities at the workplace among women between 1980 and 1985, federal health officials said Thursday.

The Centers for Disease Control said 950 women were slain during the five-year period, most of whom died from gunshot wounds while working in retail or service industry settings.

Homicide accounted for 42 percent of the injury-related deaths among women making it the foremost cause of injury-type deaths at the workplace for females, the CDC said.

Other injury-related death causes include vehicle accidents, falls from heights, suicides, machine-related and electrocutions.

Among men, during the same period, 12 percent of fatal occupational injuries were homicides. However, more than three times as many men were slain at work during the period.

An estimated 7,000 fatal work-related injuries occurred in each of the five years for both men and women, with murder accounting for more than 13 percent of the total number, the CDC said.

''Homicide at the workplace is a tremendous problem in this country,'' said Catherine Bell, an epidemiologist with the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, who authored the CDC study.

She said women were commonly slain at grocery stores, smaller markets, restaurants and bars, businesses that have heavy contact with the public and that involve the exchange of money with patrons.

The most common cause of death among women at the workplace was assault by firearms, claiming 609 of the female victims. Stabbings and slashings were responsible for 181 of the deaths.

''There are things the employer can do to reduce the risk of violence at

the workplace,'' Bell said. ''They can improve the visibility of the work area, provide better-lit parking lots, control the amount of cash that is available on the premises and consider training programs in conflict management and non-violent response.''

While work can be a dangerous place, it is still safer than the streets, Bell said. The risk of murder is nearly twice as great for women out in the general public than at work.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - Crib toys of the type blamed for the deaths of at least 30 infants were banned Thursday by the Consumer Product Safety Commission, which voted to set new standards for the popular toys found in millions of homes.

The ban applies to certain types of crib gyms, mobiles, activity centers and other popular nursery toys commonly used in cribs or playpens to provide stimulation or excercise for babies and toddlers up to 2 years old.

The commission voted 2-1 to grant a petition filed by the Consumer Federation of America and the attorney general of New York seeking to ban the toys as ''hazardous substances'' because the suspension cords, pull strings or other aspects of the toys' design can cause strangulation.

Speaking for the federation, Mary Ellen Fise said the consumer advocacy group was ''very pleased'' with the commission's action.

''I think it's significant because this is the government now saying 'consumer beware' about these products,'' Fise said.

But Fise cautioned that the commission action would not protect children from hazardous crib toys for probably three to four years - the normal length of time it takes the agency to complete new standards - and that meanwhile the ''banned'' toys could legally remain on the market.

''We are recomending that consumers not purchase crib toys because there are a variety of hazards that could strangle the child,'' Fise said.

The federation filed its petition to force the commission to take action on a report by its own staff that documented 49 incidents involving crib toys between 1973 and 1987, including 30 deaths and one case of severe brain damage.

According to the petition, ''These deaths and other incidents all occurred when the infant's or young child's neck became entangled in a cord or cords attached to the toy; became entangled in clothing worn by the child

that hooked on to a part of the crib toy; or became suspended over a cord or toy parts attaching the toy to the crib or playpen.''

''Despite these statistics, no mandatory standard exists governing the performance of or labeling for crib toys,'' according to the petition.

A CPSC staff memo prepared this week in preparation for the vote cited data showing 79 percent of new mothers had acquired a mobile for their babies and 86 percent had bought or been given a crib gym. The memo estimated 7 million mobiles and 11 million crib gyms have been purchased in the last 3 1/2 years.

The earlier CPSC study of the 30 crib toy deaths showed that the greatest number of strangulations, 14, were caused by crib gyms while the second highest number were caused by mobiles or suspended stuffed animals.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - Midlantic Corp. reported Wednesday that federal regulators are investigating the credit policies and loan quality of the company's banking subsidiaries.

In a document filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Midlantic - one of the 50 largest bank holding companies in the country - said that the examination began last July and is slated for completion next fall.

Pending the examination, federal authorities could force Midlantic to write off additional assets as nonperforming and increase loan loss reserves, according to Michael Plodwick, a regional bank analyst for C.J. Lawrence, Morgan Grenfell Inc. in New York.

Midlantic spokesman Jim Lacey confirmed that the examination is being handled by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the federal agency that charters and regulates national banks.

The Midlantic examination is part of a continuing OCC program to identify regions of the country that have soft real estate markets and then look at the banks with the largest real estate exposure.

The OCC examinations have focused on bank policies towards real estate lending, the bank's systems for tracking existing real estate loans, and the loans themselves, according to Lee Cross, the OCC's director of communications.

Although Cross declined comment on the Midlantic examination, the company has been heavily involved in real estate lending, and recently had to add $186 million to its reserve for possible losses on real estate and other

commercial loans.

Further, the OCC criticized certain Midlantic banking practices in a Report of Supervisory Activity issued last March, according to a June 21 letter that Midlantic sent to Karen Wilson, OCC's deputy comptroller for the northeastern district of the United States.

Midlantic, based in Edison, N.J., is the parent company for banks in New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, and Florida, including Continental Bank in Philadelphia and the United Penn Bank in northeastern Pennsylvania.

In total, Midlantic has over 500 bank branches and approximately $24 billion in assets, according to Dorothy Hinchcliff, a company spokeswoman.

Although the examination has not been completed, Midlantic's board of directors has begun a review program at the company's lead bank, Midlantic National Bank.

''Midlantic has not been sitting around for the OCC to come cream them,'' Plodwick said.''

Under the program the company will review the bank's policies, loan portfolio, loan administration and review processes, bank liquidity, and strategic and capital plans, according to the SEC filing.

''All necessary legal and prudent steps will be taken to require that the liquidity of the bank(s) is increased to a level which is sufficient to sustain the bank's current operations and to withstand any anticipated or likely extraordinary demands against its funding base,'' the board said in a letter to the OCC last June.

Steps that could result from the review would include the sale or securitization of assets, increasing lines of credit from the Federal Reserve Bank or obtaining credit lines from other commercial banks, reducing ''credit sensitive'' liabilities, and recovering charged-off assets.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Fruit of Loom	726,400	12 1/2	off 1/8
Paine W Gr wtB	649,500	5 1/2	up 7/8
Denmark K wt	581,900	14 3/4	up 1 3/8
Salomon wt Jan	564,800	13 7/8	up 1 1/2

Americus GTE pr	547,800	19 5/8	unch	
Wang Labs B	520,300	3 1/8	off	1/4
ENSCO	481,100	4 1/2	off	1/4
Echo Bay Mines	473,200	14 3/4	up	5/8
Americus GTE sc	443,100	8	off	1/2
Amer Explrtn	337,100	4	up	1/8

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(AUG. 16) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6800	off	225
CapCiti/ABC	506	off	18 7/8
Lilly EliE wt	69 1/8	off	6 7/8
Matsushita El	121	off	6
Newscorp pf	59	off	4 1/4
Merck & Co	83 3/4	off	4 1/8
Lilly Eli	71 1/2	off	4 1/8
CBS Inc	176 1/2	off	4
Walt Disney	104 3/4	off	3 7/8
PepsiCo Inc	75 1/4	off	3 5/8
Deere & Co	60 5/8	off	3 5/8

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	23.55-23.65	22.50-22.60
North Sea Brent	27.40-27.45	26.20-26.30
West Texas Intermed	27.35-27.40	26.50-26.60
Light Louisiana Sweet	28.05-28.20	27.20-27.40

New York Harbor spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	90.95-91.20	87.55-87.80
No. 2 Heating oil	74.20-74.35	71.60-71.85

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	87.70-87.95	84.70-84.90
No. 2 Heating oil	72.70-72.75	70.05-70.15

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(AUG. 16) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	260.75	261.30	254.90	255.10	262.80
Dec	264.00	264.60	258.10	258.40	266.10
Mar	....	....	....	262.10	269.80

Previous day volume: 31 contracts.

Open interest: 1,292 up 53

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	338.50	339.90	331.50	331.75	341.65
Dec	342.40	343.90	335.00	335.65	345.75
Mar	346.25	346.70	339.00	338.90	349.00
Jun	....	350.30	343.10	343.00	353.10

Today's estimated volume: 50,369 contracts.

Open interest: 129,236 up 1,159

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	184.80	186.00	181.40	181.65	186.95
Dec	186.80	187.90	183.30	183.75	189.05
Mar	189.40	189.40	189.40	185.85	191.15

Open interest: 6,627 up 90

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	557.00	558.30	545.50	545.85	560.75

Sep 558.50 560.00 548.00 548.00 563.20
Estimated volume 4,026 contracts.
Open interest: 6,514 off 11

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KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 16) UPI - President Bush's uncle, Dr. John Walker died Thursday at Southern Maine Medical Center about 10 miles from Bush's summer home, a spokeswoman said.

The spokeswoman said Walker, who was the brother of Bush's mother, died at 6:41 a.m. EDT, about 20 minutes before the president arrived in a final attempt to see his uncle.

The White House did not provide further details.

Bush visited the hospital before he held talks at his seaside estate with Jordan's King Hussein and two Saudi leaders.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	402.27	off	9.18	412.98	460.83
Industrial	430.95	off	10.98	444.12	445.89
Finance	395.93	off	4.45	402.25	548.85
Insurance	463.73	off	9.15	477.19	538.48
Utility	549.16	off	18.41	564.12	719.98
Bank	295.93	off	2.92	301.26	485.65
Transport	442.05	off	5.22	446.81	463.50

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NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
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Composite Index 176.13 off 4.12
Industrial Index 170.18 of 4.47
NASDAQ-100 Index 404.38 off 12.55

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(AUG. 16) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago

Federal funds rate	8.18	8.28	8.95
91-day Treasury bills	7.76	7.71	7.89
182-day Treasury bills	7.86	7.74	7.83
1-year Treasury bills	7.82	7.70	7.72
3-year Treasury notes	8.25	8.10	8.19
7-year Treasury notes	8.66	8.52	8.16
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.92	8.77	8.15
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.35	9.25	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.95	9.85	9.23
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.18	9.07	9.28
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.43	9.33	9.20
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.48	9.38	9.41
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.47	9.36	9.39

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	114,897,800
Advances	586
Declines	1,398
Unchanged	2,295
Total	4,279

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - Farmers may face higher fuel and chemical prices as a result of the Persian Gulf crisis but it also could lead to higher demand for corn used in producing gasohol, government and industry officials said Thursday.

Consumers are unlikely to feel much of an impact from rising costs to farmers, analysts said, because fuel, utilities and chemical costs are about 15 percent of farm expenses and farmers get about 24 cents of each dollar spent on food.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	11	15	9
New lows	154	80	109

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	319	15,052,500

Declines	1,287	117,246,900
Unchanged	397	6,550,600
Total	2,003	138,850,000

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(AUG. 16) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	2
New lows	65

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	164	4,790,900
Declines	439	7,858,400
Unchanged	207	1,510,700
Total	810	14,160,000

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	411.45	402.21	402.27	off 9.18
Industrial	440.95	430.95	430.95	off 10.98
Finance	400.18	395.20	395.93	off 4.45
Insurance	472.27	463.73	463.73	off 9.15
Utility	564.96	548.36	549.16	off 18.41
Bank	299.79	295.20	295.93	off 2.92
Transport	446.35	441.00	442.05	off 5.22

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 468.86

1990 Low (8-16) 402.27

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	176.13 off 4.12
Industrial Index	170.18 off 4.47
NASDAQ-100 Index	404.38 off 12.55
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	9.12 off 0.17
Volume	85,925,400 shares
Advances	467
Declines	1,146
Unchanged	1,206
Total	2,819

#90228u1873 08/16/1990 ~United Press International
LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (AUG. 16) UPI - New Jersey's top gambling official suggested Donald Trump start selling off his shaky assets as regulators began hearings Thursday on revoking his casino licenses because of his $3.2 billion debt.

The Casino Control Commission could torpedo Trump's agreement with seven banks. Trump used his three Atlantic City casinos - along with just about everything else he owns - as collateral to borrow $65 million to refinance more than $1 billion in loans.

Trump sat quietly, conferring with a casino executive, as his lawyers outlined the plan for the commission and argued that the new loans along with an agreement by lenders to defer millions of dollars in interest will enable him to regain his financial health. But state gaming enforcement officials were skeptical.

"The bank agreements, by themselves, will not resolve all the financial troubles confronting (Trump)," state Division of Gaming Enforcement Director Anthony Parrillo noted in a report to the commission.

"Rather, it appears that the real opportunity afforded by these agreements is that it makes economic sense to break up the organization, sell off parts of the business, shrink overhead and refocus its energies on a few core operations."

Parrillo noted that two of Trump's casinos were on shaky financial ground, and the third may be unable to carry the others. He said the Trump Castle would have folded if not for Trump's last-minute loan and would very likely face another crisis by next June.

The Trump Taj Mahal, which opened in April, was in even worse shape, according to Parrillo. Trump still owes nearly $70 million to contractors who helped build the Taj Mahal, and another $47 million is due Nov. 15 to the casino's bondholders. Parrillo said the current rate of cash flow was insufficient to meet the bondholders payment.

The Trump Plaza casino hotel has been Trump's biggest breadwinner and continued to generate healthy revenues. But Parrillo said recent figures showed the Trump Plaza revenues were below projections.

"Given recent performance trends... this property may no longer be positioned as a crutch to prop up non-income producing or other cash-draining assets of the organization," Parrillo noted.

The DGE report blamed Trump's borrowing habits for his financial woes and said his various enterprises were simply incapable of generating the cash

to pay off more than $3 billion in loans.

Trump's problems have been aggravated by a slumping real estate market which has helped delay the proposed sale of his Plaza Hotel in Manhattan. He has also been unable to find a buyer for his Trump Princess yacht and Trump Shuttle airline.

Trump is hoping to get $830 million for the Plaza Hotel, $70 million for the 282-foot yacht and $340 million for the commuter airline he bought last year from Eastern Airlines.

Trump estimated his assets were worth a total of $4.6 billion, but a report prepared by a New York accounting firm for Trump and his creditors estimated the assets could fetch no more than $3.6 billion if they had to be sold in a hurry. Analysts believe potential buyers, knowing Trump is in trouble, will drive hard bargains. Trump's lawyers were expected to complete their testimony before the commission Friday at a hearing in Atlantic City.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Foreign exchange players sold the dollar off again Thursday, shrugging off fighting words from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to drive the beleagured U.S. currency down to record New York lows.

Currency traders said the dollar started stronger, reflecting limited buying for safe-haven, or financial refuge, motives, after the Iraqi president called President Bush a liar and warned U.S. servicemen would die.

But the dollar's rally quickly collapsed. ''The fact the dollar failed to hold those levels was bearish in itself,'' said Bank of Tokyo senior customer dealer John Lyman. ''There's a lot of reverse logic going on.''

Currency analyst Anne Mills of Shearson Lehman Hutton said players also were disconcerted that the dollar rose so little on a higher-than-expected consumer inflation report that boded firmer U.S. interest rates.

''The dollar's inability to perform in response to what should have been good news was part of the problem,'' Mills said.

In late New York trading the dollar was quoted at 1.5520 German marks, down a pfennig and a third from 1.5650 marks Wednesday. It changed hands at 147.20 yen, also down from 147.60 yen the previous day.

That closing mark price was a record low for the dollar-mark rate in the 42 years since the German currency was created. Before Tuesday's new low

rate of 1.5645 the record was 1.5715, set in December 1987.

During the day the dollar also plunged to a postwar intraday record low of 1.5500 marks before recovering, Lyman said.

He said the market is feeling torn on the dollar - nervous about selling when Mideast tensions are rising, but bearish on economic grounds.

''When the first shot is fired it's possible we'll get a significant rally '' he said. ''But in the war of the (poor U.S. economic) fundamentals against the situation in the Gulf, the fundamentals are winning now.''

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2915 Swiss francs, off from 1.3055; 5.2125 French francs, down from 5.2410; and 1,143 Italian lire, off from 1,149.

Britain's pound gained nearly a cent at $1.9095 vs. $1.90.

In Europe, the dollar closed mixed against the main currencies with investors uncertain how to read Middle East news. Some took Saddam's bellicose words as indicating the Gulf conflict would be longrunning.

The dollar started firmer after its battering the day before. Players bought the unit after selling it too short. But the mood turned bearish after release of data showing a strong rise in U.S. consumer prices.

The dollar moved up in Frankfurt, to 1.5618 German marks against 1.5585 marks Wednesday. In Zurich, it fell to 1.3015 Swiss francs against 1.3020.

In London, the British pound came off its lows to close at $1.8980 compared with $1.9025 Wednesday.

The dollar declined in Paris, Brussels and Milan as trading resumed following the Feast of the Assumption holiday Wednesday.

It ended at 5.2510 French francs vs. 5.2930 Tuesday, 32.15 Belgian francs vs. 32.43, and 1150.90 Italian lire vs. 1159.75.

Earlier in Tokyo, the U.S. dollar edged up against the yen on reports Saudi Arabia will cut crude shipments to oil-hungry Japan by a sixth in September. The dollar closed at 147.90 yen against 147.85.

Sumitomo Bank currency head Tetsuya Taura said players ''became anxious again'' that Japan's economy would suffer.

Gold closed higher in Zurich at $403 an ounce against $398.50. But it slipped in London, to $401.50 an ounce against $403.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $409 an ounce, up

from $402.50 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $409.20 an ounce, posting a healthy gain from $402.60.

Silver was unchanged in Zurich at $5.10 an ounce. In London it was unchanged as well, at $5.12 an ounce.

Republic closed cash silver at $5.18 an ounce, a gain from $5.09 Wednesday. Comex silver closed at $5.168 an ounce, up from $5.068.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - An experimental transplant operation designed to free diabetics from insulin injections has produced the most promising results since the technique was developed, researchers reported Thursday.

The procedure enabled five of nine patients to significantly reduce their need for daily insulin injections, including one 16-year-old Louisville, Ky., girl who has remained completely independent of injections for more than six months, the researchers reported.

''I'm completely excited,'' said Dr. Camillo Ricordi of the University of Pittsburgh, who published the results with his colleagues in the British medical journal The Lancet. ''It's opening up a whole new perspective on cellular transplants.''

The procedure involves removing cells called islet cells from the pancreas of a donor, purifying them and injecting them into a patient. The cells, which are the insulin-producing cells in the pancreas, then lodge in the liver and begin cranking out insulin.

The procedure has shown promise for years in animal studies and some early attempts on human. But the new study has produced the most favorable results to date, experts said.

Although other researchers remained cautious, in part because the patients in the new study were not typical diabetes patients, they said the findings were highly encouraging.

''It's very encouraging, very exciting,'' said Dr. David Scharp, a professor of surgery at Washington University in St. Louis who is experimenting with the procedure. ''(This offers) new hope for diabetics.''

More than 12 million Americans suffer from diabetes. The disease causes the body to stop producing or react abnormally to insulin, a hormone produced by the pancreas to keep blood sugar in proper balance.

High blood sugar levels can lead to severe damage of the heart, kidneys,

eyes, nerves and blood vessels.

The procedure has been tested most extensively for patients with Type 1 or juvenile onset diabetes. Such patients require daily insulin injections, and even then are prone to blindness and other complications. About 1 million Americans have Type 1 diabetes.

The new study, which will be reported next week along with similar findings from other researchers at a transplantation meeting in San Francisco, involved patients who underwent an multiple organ removal operation.

The patients had advanced abdominal cancer, requiring them to undergo the removal of their stomach, pancreas, spleen and parts of the small and large intestines.

Because the patients can be kept alive without the other organs and transplants are considered risky, only a liver transplant is performed. But without a pancreas, the patients become diabetics.

The doctors decided to try the islet transplant because it carries minimal risk.

Two of the nine patients died from complications from the cancer surgery, while a third died six months later when his cancer recurred.

Of the six remaining patients, four out of five only required insulin when they received intravenous nutritional supplements at night. The fifth, patient, Mary Arthur, 16, of Louisville has been independent of insulin since the Jan. 10 operation.

''It (diabetes) could have just destroyed what organs I have left. They saved me from having diabetes for the rest of my life,'' she said by telephone.

Previously, the longest published report of a patient who has remained insulin-free from the procedure was two weeks.

Ricordi attributed part of the success to use of an experimental anti-rejection drug called FK 506, which avoided the use of other drugs that may damage islet cells.

Ricordi cautioned, however, that the procedure requires much more refinement and study before being made widely available.

''It's a long way away still. This is just the first very exciting result '' he said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S. $ Equivalent		Currency per U.S. $	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austrl	.000165	.000184	6065.00	5730.00
Australia dlr	.8057	.8061	1.2412	1.2405
Austria schill	.0910	.0902	10.09	11.09
Belgium frnc-c	.0311	.0313	32.15	32.00
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0140	.0140	71.62	71.22
Britain pound	1.9075	1.9005	.5242	.5262
Britain 1-mo	1.8966	1.8895	.5273	.5292
Britain 3-mo	1.8755	1.8677	.5332	.5354
Britain 6-mo	1.8458	1.8377	.5418	.5442
Canada dollar	.8706	.8743	1.1486	1.1438
Canada 1-mo	.8669	.8705	1.1536	1.1488
Canada 3-mo	.8634	.8639	1.1582	1.1576
Canada 6-mo	.8519	.8556	1.1739	1.1688
Chile peso-f	.003441	.003441	290.63	290.63
China yuan	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127
Colombia pes	.001965	.001967	508.98	508.42
Denmark krne	.1676	.1680	5.9665	5.9560
Ecudr sucr-z	.001122	.001116	891.00	895.95
Egypt pound	.3755	.3742	2.6628	2.6727
Finlnd mrkka	.2711	.2717	3.6890	3.6810
France franc	.1916	.1893	5.2205	5.2840
France 1-mo	.1913	.1890	5.2280	5.2918
France 3-mo	.1906	.1883	5.2465	5.3110
France 6-mo	.1895	.1872	5.2765	5.3423
Greece drach	.006512	.006492	153.56	154.03
Hollnd guildr	.5709	.5678	1.7516	1.7611
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1287	7.7715	7.7705
India rupee	.0580	.0579	17.25	17.27
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000542	1844.00	1844.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.1740	1.7170	0.8518	0.5824
Israel shekel	.5102	.5051	1.9600	1.9800
Italy lira	.000874	.000871	1144.75	1147.75
Japan yen	.006771	.006780	147.68	147.50
Japan 1-mo	.006806	.006769	146.93	147.43

Japan 3-mo	.006808	.006782	146.88	147.44
Japan 6-mo	.006813	.006781	146.78	147.47
Jordan dinar	1.5399	1.5399	.6494	.6494
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico pes-z	.000348	.000348	2872.00	2870.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6180	.6175	1.6181	1.6194
Norway krne	.1651	.1651	6.0575	6.0570
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0465	21.54	21.52
Peru inti	.000036	.000036	275,800	275,800
P'pnes peso-z	.0423	.0423	23.64	23.64
Portugl escd	.007476	.007260	133.77	137.57
Saudi riyal	.2675	.2675	3.7380	3.7380
Singapore dlr	.5571	.5571	1.7951	1.7950
S.Africa rand	.3899	.3898	2.5650	2.5655
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010428	.010433	95.90	95.85
Sweden krona	.1738	.1743	5.7530	5.7370
Switzrl franc	.7683	.7666	1.3015	1.3045
Switzrl 1-mo	.7679	.7659	1.3022	1.3056
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7673	.7640	1.3032	1.3089
Switzrl 6-mo	.7652	.7620	1.3068	1.3124
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.87	26.88
Turkey lira	.000378	.000377	2648.00	2654.00
UAE dirham	.2725	.2725	3.6699	3.6699
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0207	.0207	48.41	48.36
W.Ger Mark	.6431	.6410	1.5550	1.5600
W.Ger 1-mo	.6430	.6400	1.5551	1.5625
W.Ger 3-mo	.6422	.6403	1.5571	1.5618
W.Ger 6-mo	.6430	.6387	1.5553	1.5656
Yugoes dinar	.0931	.0933	10.74	10.72

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - Market uncertainty over the Mideast crisis and whether the OPEC cartel would raise output to make up for embargoed Kuwaiti and Iraqi oil drove oil prices up Thursday.

''The market is clearly focusing on OPEC and its plans or lack of plans for increasing production,'' said Robert Baker, senior energy analyst with Prudential-Bache Securities Inc. in New York.

''General uncertainty in the (Persian) Gulf region'' was driving prices upward, said Peter Beutel, vice president of Merrill Lynch Futures in New York.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for September delivery shot up 90 cents to end the day at $27.36 a barrel, near its high on the day of $27.50 a barrel.

Paine Webber Inc.'s Michael McDermott said the market was still awaiting definitive news on the crisis and merely trading at the top of a range he put at $25.50 a barrel to $27.50 a barrel it has been in for the past week.

Prompt delivery WTI was quoted at $27.35 a barrel, a gain of 85 cents, on the U.S. Gulf Coast cash market.

September delivery unleaded gasoline gained 3.41 cents a gallon on the Merc to 87.46 cents a gallon, while home heating oil added 2.62 cents to 75.47 cents a gallon.

On the European cash market, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude shipped mainly to the Far East - rose $1.05 a barrel on the day to $23.55 a barrel.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was quoted at $27.40 a barrel, $1.20 cents higher than Tuesday.

Three companies - Sun Co. of Radnor, Pa.; USX Corp.'s Marathon Oil Co. ofFindlay, Ohio; and Du Pont's Conoco Inc. of Houston - also raised the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead by 75 cents a barrel to $26 a barrel for WTI.

An industry source in Tokyo said Saudi Arabia had notified five Japanese companies that it would cut Japanese crude exports by 16 percent next month.

A similar Saudi notification was sent to major U.S. oil companies Thursday as part of a reallocation of Saudi exports that would send more crude to Kuwaiti-owned refineries in Europe to help offset crude lost by the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The Middle East News Agency, however, quoted Saudi oil minister Hisham Nazer as saying Saudi Arabia would provide its clients with their usual quotas.

It was not clear why the Saudis were reallocating their exports other than to perhaps set the stage for an overall increase in exports by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

A senior executive of a major U.S. oil company said he believed that the notification was ''merely operational'' and that the Saudis would eventually raise output as part of an overall OPEC increase.

''I do believe that all the members of OPEC would like to have a meeting on this and have an OPEC decision on how much they go up and when they go up,'' the executive said.

Nazer was reported as saying his country and other members of OPEC have asked for an immediate meeting of the cartel to discuss the current world-market situation.

There was no indication from OPEC, however, if or when it would hold anyemergency meeting.

About 4 million barrels a day have been lost to world markets as a result of the United Nations embargo of Kuwait and Iraqi exports ordered in the wake of the invasion.

Jordan's King Hussein met with President Bush at his Kennebunkport, Maine, vacation retreat, with attention focused on whether he was indeed carrying a message from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The possibility that the message might lead to a settlement of the crisis had dampened oil prices Wednesday.

But traders were discounting this possibility Thursday.

The monarch verified their skepticism in comments following his meeting with Bush. ''I did not bring any message,'' Hussein told reporters.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Stocks closed sharply lower Thursday, pummeled by news of mounting tension in the Middle East and a gloomy government report on inflation.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 0.50 Wednesday, plummeted 66.83 to 2681.44.

The uptick rule kicked in on the New York Stock Exchange at 3:41 p.m., when the Dow was down 50 points, the exchange said. Under the uptick rule, traders cannot sell stocks involved in arbitrage trades until their price rises.

The Dow Jones transportation average closed down 21.90 to 939.78 - a new low for the year and its lowest level since mid-1988.

Declines hammered advances 1,285-324. A total of 2,004 NYSE issues were traded.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 3.81 to 182.73. The price of an average share plunged 67 cents.

Standard & Poor's 500-stock index was down 7.67 to 332.39.

Volume amounted to 138,850,000 shares, up slightly from 135,210,000 traded Wednesday.

The stock market, following the bond market's lead, dropped in morning trading after a Labor Department report showing inflation at the consumer level rose 0.4 percent in July - before the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the ensuing rise in fuel prices.

Private economists had expected July's consumer prices to rise 0.3 percent and several noted the Middle East crisis is bound to boost August prices.

The market's decline accelerated and the breadth of the selloff widened after signs of mounting tension in the Middle East, analysts said.

In an open letter, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein accused President Bush of lying to the American people and threatened that ''you are going to receive some American bodies in bags.''

Iraq also ordered thousands of Americans and Britons in occupied Kuwait to gather in hotels for possible internment in Iraq.

''The market right now is in an emotional state closely related to the various news reports coming out of the Middle East,'' said Gene Seagle, technical research director at Gruntal & Co.

''Today, the war of words heated up considerably with the threat to American lives made public in the letter from Saddam,'' he said.

Adding to the grim outlook was news from Jordan's King Hussein, who told Bush that, contrary to earlier reports, he brought no message from the Iraqi president and did not foresee a quick solution to the crisis.

''The market is basically a slave to the news in the Middle East,'' said Edward Shopkorn, partner in charge of institutional equities at Mabon, Nugent & Co.

''Even if the Mideast crisis resolves itself, we still have a recessionary economy, now with inflation,'' he said. ''It looks like it's 1980 and 1981 all over again.''

Trading volume in stocks remained low as institutional investors sat on the sidelines, watching warily as events unfold in the Middle East, analysts said.

On the trading floor, Ohio Edison was the most active, off 2 1/2 to 17 3/8.

Navistar International followed, down 3/8 to 2 7/8.

IBM was third, down 1 1/4 to 103 3/4.

Among the blue chips, AT&T lost 7/8 to 34 3/8, General Motors lost 1 3/4 to 38 1/8, Philip Morris lost 2 to 45 1/4 and American Express lost 1 1/4 to 25 3/8.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 169,855,400 shares, up from 161,142,570 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices were lower on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index dropped 3.81 to 336.83. Declines led advances 441-164 among the 812 issues traded. The price of an average share lost 13 cents. Composite volume totaled 17,551,300 shares vs. 16,662,400 traded Wednesday.

Fruit of the Loom led the Amex actives, off 1/8 to 12 1/2.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index closed down 9.18 to 402.27.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - Some defense contractors and U.S. military maintenance facilities are working overtime - and a few are operating around-the-clock - to ready aircraft and other weapons for the buildup of U.S. forces in Saudia Arabia, officials said Thursday.

But because of the complexity of modern arms, much of the defense industry could not expect immediately to match the military's swift deployment in the Persian Gulf with their own output of new weapons, spokesmen for defense contractors said.

They added, however, that new weapons systems would not be needed immediately and that supply of spare parts would be much faster, in some cases within 24 hours.

"A lot of the hardware is there already," said James Reed, a spokesman for the aircraft division of McDonnell Douglas Corp. of St. Louis, the nation's No. 1 military contractor. However, he conceded "It's not easy to speed up production" on major weapons systems such as the fighter jets his division makes.

The makers of Cruise missiles, ship-launched guided missiles, are working overtime to ready older weapons for Navy vessels about to be dispatched to the Persian Gulf.

Cruise plants owned by General Dynamics Corp. in San Diego and by McDonnell Douglas in Titusville, Fla. have added second shifts to speed their regular checks on previously-deployed missiles. This will allow ships that carry the missiles to leave sooner for the Middle East, said Bob Holsapple, a Navy spokesman in Washington.

And the Air Force is quickening the pace of its maintenance. The San Antonio Air Logistics Center at Kelly Air Force Base, Texas has been put on a 24-hour schedule to increase maintenance work done there.

Both the San Antonio center and one at Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma, where its schedule has also been expanded, work on B-52 bombers and all aircraft engines, said Ronald Fry, a spokesman for the Air Force Logistics Command at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. Many major contractors remained mum about their activities.

Raytheon Co. of Lexington, Mass., the country's fourth biggest military manufacturer and a major supplier of missiles, refused any comment, even to discuss its previous sales of weapons. In November, Raytheon said it had won a $469 million extension to a contract with the Saudi government for training and other services on a Hawk air defense missile program that's been running there since 1976.

United Technologies Corp. in Hartford, Conn. also refused comment on its activities, most of which are the manufacture of jet engines and radar.

Ironically, General Electric Co. Thursday said it planned to cut 1,500 workers by the end of next year from plants in Lynn, Massachusetts and Evendale, Ohio where the company makes engines for several U.S. jet fighter planes. A GE spokesman, Robert Risch, said the cuts were due to a contract for anti-submarine aircraft that was not extended.

However, Risch added that the company's ability to supply spare parts would not be impaired. "If there's an aircraft on the ground, we get it to them in 24 hours," he said. "But if we had to repair an entire unit, I don't know."

As for the military's need for spare parts during the Arabian Peninsula

buildup, Risch said, "We've had some feelers, what-ifs (from the military) but no firm orders," he said.

Meanwhile, Boeing Co. of Seattle, the country's No. 9 military contractor, is continuing work on two major programs in Saudia Arabia, where the company still has about 400 employees, said Russell Long, a spokesman. He said 336 dependents were returned to the United States last week.

The programs are the AWACS radar control and communications planes and a similar, ground-based control and communications system, said Long. However, as for speeding up production because of the current buildup, Long said, "there's really nothing there we could pick up production on."

Similarly, a spokesman for General Dynamics Corp.'s tank division in Sterling Heights, Mich. said it takes the company about 35 weeks to build its M1 Abrams tank and "to expedite or increase delivery would be a lengthy process."

The spokesman, Donald Gilleland, added that the companmy has contracts to build versions of the tank for both Saudia Arabia and Egypt.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - Breaking again with President Bush and other budget negotiators, assistant House Republican leader Newt Gingrich called Thursday for big tax cuts instead of tax increases to stimulate the economy and avoid a recession.

''My individual belief is that we ought to look at a broad collection of tax cuts,'' Gingrich, a budget negotiator, said in a telephone interview from his Newnan, Ga., congressional office. ''It's my individual belief that we ought to look at a fairly wide range of tax cuts that help the American family, that help home buying and that help job creation.''

He added that ''the most most important anti-deficit measure you can take is to stimulate the econmoy and avoid a recession,'' which he said would jack up the deficit even higher and add to the massive cost of the savings and loan bailout.

His comments came roughly two months after Bush on June 26 broke his ''read my lips - no new taxes'' campaign pledge and called for higher taxes to help cut the deficit. Gingrich and other Republicans broke with Bush over the tax issue and House Republicans passed a resolution opposing any tax increases.

Gingrich's comments also came three weeks before the stalled White House-congressional budget talks were scheduled to resume during the first

week of September.

Negotiators have given themselves an unofficial deadline of Sept. 10 to reach agreement on a deficit reduction package of up to $50 billion in fiscal year 1991, which starts Oct. 1, and about $500 billion over five years.

Gingrich said he is ''not optimistic'' that the talks will succeed.

Failure to implement a deficit reduction package by Oct. 1 would cause imposition of about $100 billion in automatic spending cuts split between defense and domestic programs. Those cuts are required under the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law.

Approximately half of the up to $50 billion in deficit reduction the first year and a significant portion of the $500 billion five-year savings was expected to come from new taxes or other revenue increases.

Negotiators have not yet made any decisions on which taxes would be raised or by how much.

But last month, a Republican negotiator leaked a GOP plan that included a $7 billion hike in alcohol taxes and limits on the amount of state and local taxes that could be deducted from federal taxes. Gingrich indicated in the interview he was prepared to support that plan.

So his call for tax cuts instead of tax increases runs counter both to Bush's position and to the view of other budget negotiators.

The outspoken GOP leader did not say if he would propose a broad package of tax cuts to other budget negotiators when they resume their talks next month.

Gingrich said he talked to ''eight or nine'' other GOP House members about his idea for broad-based tax cuts and said they liked it.

Asked what elements he would like to see included in a budget agreement, Gingrich mentioned budget process reform, serious spending cuts and ''real tax cuts this fall to stimulate the economy and very modest limited tax increases and fee increases.''

''I think the first year the shape of the package is less important than having a broad, sweeping tax cut that stimulates the private sector,'' he said.

''If we do not stimulate the private sector, we are going to be in a recession and if we are in a recession then it doesn't matter what you do on the deficit, it's going to get bigger. And a recession dramatically

increases the cost of the savings and loan bailout.''

Gingrich said ''the weak economy has killed the kind of tax increase that they (Democrats) were hoping for'' and that ''unless you're a fan of (former President) Jimmy Carter, I don't see how you can argue that a weak economy needs a tax increase.''

''I think that the Democrats have shot themselves in the foot because where they could have gotten one kind of agreement in late May, I think the economy has changed and the Middle East has changed,'' Gingrich said. ''I think we have to be much more worried about a recession now and I think, if anything, any rational economic argument is for a tax cut this year, not a tax increase.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.69	10.39
Anchor Fund Inv	15.27	16.20
Delaware Mutual	17.21	18.46
Fidelity Fund	17.14	17.14
Investors Mutual	11.14	11.72
Investors Stocks	18.50	19.47
Invest Select	8.27	8.71
IDS Equity Plus	9.25	9.73
Mass Inv Growth	8.84	9.53
Nicholas Fund	3.35	3.35
United Accumulated	6.51	7.11
United Income	17.63	19.27
Vanguard Wellington	16.51	16.51

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 466.28, off 2.07 percent. This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 16) UPI - Assets of the nation's 525 money-market mutual funds rose by $2.38 billion to $404.48 billion in the week ended Wednesday the Investment Company Institute reported Thursday. Average fund yields declined.

The Washington-based institute said broker-dealer fund assets increased $1.09 billion to $163.32 billion, while assets of general purpose funds increased $469.9 million to $140.40 billion and those of institutional funds rose $829.3 million to $101.11 billion.

''Assets of money-market funds increased for the seventh week in a row as both individual and institutional investors continued pulling their money out of longer-term instruments,'' said Jacob Dreyer, vice president and chief economist at the institute.

''Despite a slight easing of yields offered by money-market funds, the events in the Persian Gulf have enhanced their attraction as safe and liquid investment vehicles,'' he said.

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said that average seven-day simple yields were unchanged at 7.50 percent but that 30-day simple yields eased to 7.54 percent from the previous week's 7.58.

The average maturity of fund portfolios was unchanged at 45 days.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money market deposit accounts, 5.91 percent, down from 5.93 a week earlier; Super-Now accounts, 4.98 percent, down from 4.99; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.53 percent, down from 7.54; 1-year CDs, 7.63 percent, down from 7.65; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.69 percent, down from 7.71; and five-year CDs, 7.79 percent, down from 7.81.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.25 percent down from 8.28.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage rose in the latest week to 9.62 percent from 9.51 and the average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage reached 9.92 percent from 9.79.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was unchanged at 12.26 percent.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - The five primary ''greenhouse'' gases in the atmosphere have increased modestly in the past four years, but the key pollutant - carbon dioxide - is piling up at an accelerating rate, government scientists said Thursday.

Scientists with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration said information collected at the agency's Climate Monitoring and Diagnostics Laboratory in Boulder, Colo., confirmed earlier studies showing carbon dioxide - the main greenhouse gas - was accumulating at an ever-faster pace.

The monitoring program also discovered that the growth rate for carbon dioxide varied considerably over the four-year period, with the biggest increases coming during the little-understood El Nino ocean current phenomenon in the Pacific Ocean.

Carbon dioxide is the primary component of a thickening blanket of pollution in the atmosphere that can trap heat that otherwise would escape into space - much as glass walls and ceilings allow heat to concentrate in a greenhouse.

Scientists say the ''greenhouse effect'' threatens to increase surface temperatures by nearly 4 degrees Fahrenheit over the next 40 years, raising sea levels and altering climate patterns sufficiently to disrupt agriculture and kill off forests.

In addition to carbon dioxide, the new monitoring data covers methane, nitrous oxide and two types of chlorofluorocarbons, which are implicated in depletion of the Earth's ozone layer as well as global warming.

However, Pieter Tans, a scientist with the NOAA laboratory's Carbon Cycle Group, said the most interesting findings concerned carbon dioxide, including confirmation of earlier studies showing the accumulation of that gas was accelerating.

''What we have seen in the 1980s is a growth rate that is double what we saw when we first began monitoring carbon dioxide in the late 1950s and early 1960s,'' he said.

Tans noted the carbon dioxide growth rate closely matched the increase in fossil fuel use, suggesting the buildup and the burning of coal, oil and gas are related.

Perhaps the most striking discovery from the new data is that carbon dioxide increased more rapidly at some points during the monitoring period than others.

Carbon dioxide levels increased by an average of 0.5 percent annually over the four years. However, the growth rate shot up to almost 1 percent a year during the late 1987 El Nino event in the Pacific Ocean, a major eastward flow of warm water along the equator that often affects climate worldwide.

Tans said the cause of the growth variations was not known, but that the link with EL Nino clearly indicated the ecosytem responded to climate changes in a way that could affect a possible warming trend.

The monitoring also showed:

-Methane, a gas released from both manmade and natural sources, increased by 0.8 percent each year. Tans said the record suggests the methane growth rate may have decreased slightly recently.

-Nitrous oxide, from fossil fuel burning, soil cultivation and deforestation, increased 0.25 percent each year.

-CFC-11 and CFC-12, chemicals used as refrigerants and solvents, are increasing by about 4 percent per year.

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WICHITA, Kan. (AUG. 16) UPI - Kansas Gas and Electric Co. said Thursday it has asked a federal court judge to issue a preliminary injunction against Kansas City Power & Light Co., which has launched a hostile takeover bid for KGE.

The Wichita utility seeks to prevent KCP&L from continuing its demands for a list of KGE stockholders and for a special meeting of KGE stockholders in conjunction with the tender offer.

KGE also Thursday asked the Kansas Corporation Commission to deny KCP&L's application for approval of its acquisition of all classes of KGE stock and its motion for an expedited hearing on the takeover.

Among other grounds for KCC disapproval, KGE said public policy ''does not permit the use of Kansas Corp. Commission approval to facilitate the hostile takeover of one public utility by another.''

In its court action, KGE also seeks to prevent KCP&L from publishing ''misleading information concerning the special stockholders' meeting and the legality of its tender offer.''

KCP&L, of Kansas City, Mo., on July 23 announced an unsolicited $857 million offer for all KGE's common shares.

The board of Kansas Gas has recommended that shareholders reject KCP&L's tender offer, calling it inadequate.

The Wichita utility filed suit in U.S. District Court in Wichita on July

31, challenging the legality of KCP&L's demands for shareholder information and a special shareholders' meeting.

The suit was amended Wednesday, saying KCP&L should be prevented from pursuing the tender because its actions have violated state, federal, and Securities and Exchange Commission regulations.

KGE also claims that KCP&L's newspaper ads earlier this week soliciting proxies from KGE shareholders contain misleading information and constitute an improper proxy solicitation.

KCP&L, in a letter Monday to KGE shareholders, said it believed the special meeting would be held and said it would need the proxies to ensure it could vote KGE shares acquired during the tender.

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KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 16) UPI - President Bush said Thursday Jordan's King Hussein agreed to close a key port to Iraq to comply with U.N.-ordered sanctions but the monarch said he was seeking clarification on whether food shipments should be allowed.

At a news conference after four hours of meetings with Hussein and top Saudi officials, Bush said the Jordanian had assured him he would close the Red Sea port of Aqaba and declared, ''I feel that the differences that possibly existed with Jordan, have been narrowed.''

And though stating he was not totally satisfied the blockade would be complete, Bush added, ''We've got to guard against cheaters ... from whatever country they come from.''

''I think it's going to work,'' he said. ''But I can't say that it's (the situation has) stabilized totally.''

Jordan, as Iraq's only route to bypassing the sweeping U.N. trade embargo, has permitted Aqaba to allow in limited shipments of food and other material, which is then sent to Iraq over land.

Bush warned earlier this week that the United States might close off the route for Iraq if Hussein did not. He also indicated that if Hussein cooperated, the United States would provide aid to help offset losses to the already shaky Jordanian economy.

Hussein emerged from the more than two hours of talks with Bush to say that, contrary to earlier reports, he had brought no message from Saddam nor did he foresee any quick solution to the diplomatic crisis.

''I did not bring any message,'' Hussein said. ''I am not talking on behalf of anyone in the area, but for myself ... with the interest and concern that this crisis hopefully will begin to de-escalate and we might find solutions to the many problems that are there now.''

He also maintained that his country was abiding by the sanctions but was seeking clarification on whether the economic cutoff applied to all food products.

''I'm not suggesting that we have altered our position at all,'' Hussein said. ''The government of Jordan stated very clearly at the very outset ... that it regarded these mandated sanctions and measures as ones that (it) would respect and this has been the case.''

He added, however, ''the situation is unclear'' regarding foodstuffs, and, ''this is something we are trying to clarify.'' At the same time he said he did not believe such shipments were now proceeding.

''There are no shipments at the moment as far as I know, no,'' he said.

Secretary of State James Baker, who sat in on the talks, said Hussein was referring to a question that has also arisen in U.S. circles on when and if a U.N. provision allowing food shipments in for ''humanitarian reasons'' would apply.

Bush remained firm on that question, noting the effectiveness of the international effort to block Iraqi oil so far, and adding, ''The other part of it has to be arms, being interdicted, and everything, across the board, foodstuffs, whatever it is.''

And though upbeat about his conversations with Hussein, as well as later with Saudi Foreign Minister Saud al-Faisal, Bush was doubtful of a breakthrough in the 2-week-old standoff brought on by Iraq's invasion of oil-rich Kuwait Aug. 2.

Though Hussein reported nothing of his recent trip to Baghdad, Bush said, ''I did not come away from that conversation with a feeling of hope that Saddam Hussein would do that which he has been called to do under international law.''

Even before the meeting between the two longtime friends began at Bush's summer compound, U.S. officials were playing down the chances Hussein would mediate a resolution despite word from Jordan that he carried a personal message and possible peace plan from Saddam.

Hussein, asked if he had any hope for an eventual solution to the crisis, offered only: ''I suppose one has to have hope. Without hope you can't get anywhere.''

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TORONTO (AUG. 16) UPI - The Bank of Canada triggered a cut to 14.25 percent in prime interest rates at the country's major banks after lowering Thursday its key measure by more than a quarter of a percentage point.

The central bank's key rate now stands at 13.07 percent, down from 13.34 percent last week. It marked the bank's biggest decline since January.

Within hours of the Bank of Canada's 2 p.m. EDT rate setting, four of the country's major banks dropped their prime rates to 14.25 percent from 14.75 percent.

On Monday, the Bank of Montreal became the first major Canadian bank in almost three years to lower its prime, also to 14.25 percent. Personal loan and mortgage rates were lowered subsequently at several of the banks.

Economists have been predicting for several weeks that an easing of the central bank's high interest rate policy would translate into a drop in the prime.

But economists also remained skeptical over whether the prime would fall fast and far enough in time to restart the Canadian slowing economy.

The Conference Board of Canada said Wednesday in its semi-annual assessment of the world economy that real economic growth in Canada will be 1.7 percent in 1990 and 1.1 percent in 1991, compared with 2.9 percent in 1989.

Besides high interest rates and inflationary pressures, the economy has been battered by a strong Canadian dollar. The dollar recently went on a run of successive 10-year highs, most recently on Wednesday when the currency closed at 87.44 U.S. cents.

On Thursday, the dollar closed down at 87.09 cents.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - There's NO word of any Persian Gulf break-through following two hours of talks between President Bush and Jordan's King Hussein in Kennebunkport, Maine. Hussein told reporters that he carried NO message from Iraqi President Saddam.

Bush and Hussein are long-time friends, but their meeting was overshadowed by Iraq's ordering thousands of American and British citizens to Kuwait

hotels. The British say they fear Iraq will hold Westerners against their will.

Saddam continues to communicate with the West through an unidentified spokesman. In a statement read on Baghdad T-V, the spokesman labeled Bush a liar... and called on Arabs and Moslems to wage a holy war against the U-S.

A casino spokesman in Cannes, France, says an adviser to the son of Saudi Arabian King Fahd has lost 16-Million dollars since June gambling at the seaside resort. But the sheik is NOT a sore loser... having tipped gaming table workers more than 670-thousand dollars.

A Vatican spokesman say Pope John Paul will give a private audience to Polish labor leader Lech Walesa. Their fifth meeting is to take place on August 26th in the pontiff's summer palace at Castel Gandolfo outside Rome.

Sweden's Supreme Court today ruled that a young Soviet hijacker will go on trial in Sweden rather than be deported to face trial in the Soviet Union. Sweden's Pilots Association says it is ''shocked'' at the decision.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - A mob armed with spears pulled people from trains and stabbed them in the black township of Soweto in South Africa today. More than 150 people have been killed in the area in four days of fighting between rival black groups.

Quebec Mohawks and their advisers are negotiating with the Quebec and Canadian governments over expansion of a golf course the Indians say is on tribal land. Train travel was disrupted in northern Ontario last night when a different tribe threatened to block a railroad line in a show of support.

A Philadelphia judge today convicted a California man of stealing and mutilating two books written and printed by Benjamin Franklin. 300 other rare, possibly stolen, books were found at the home of the man's parents.

Someone'g guilty conscience is paying off for Brazoria County, Texas. An unidentified person this week sent the county four-thousand dollars with a note reading- ''This more than repays what I owe the county.''

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CONCORD, N.H. (AUG. 16) UPI - The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is investigating whether its decision to grant a full-power license for the

Seabrook nuclear power plant was ''corruptly induced,'' according to commission documents obtained Thursday.

The investigation apparently stems from a series of actions by the NRC appeals board, the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board and the NRC last November during approvals of Seabrook's license and evacuation plans.

Ivan W. Smith, chairman of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, said in an Aug. 7 memo to board members that the NRC inspector general's office was interviewing staff members about the board's ruling on Seabrook last Nov. 9.

In that decision, the board approved Massachusetts' evacuation plans submitted by Seabrook's owner, New Hampshire Yankee. New Hampshire's plans had been approved months before. It also recommended to the NRC that Seabrook should receive a full-power license.

The board action came just two days after an NRC appeals board, responding to suits by Seabrook foes, said it found four problem areas with the plant's evacuation plans. The appeals board remanded the problems back to the licensing board for comment.

The licensing board's recommendation to the NRC to issue Seabrook a license was released publicly Nov. 13. Unexpectedly, the NRC announced Nov. 16 it was bypassing the appeals board and would handle all future Seabrook appeals.

The appeals board's four problem areas, including alleged inadequate beach shelters and how to handle the removal of infirm persons, was later ruled not to be a problem by the NRC.

Smith in his memo said investigators apparently are checking allegations that the licensing board ''did not authorize the issuance of the Seabrook Station operating license'' Nov. 9 but that sometime between that date and Nov. 13 reversed itself and issued the license.

Smith said the investigators suspect ''the change was corruptly induced by NRC officers and corruptly made by members of the licensing board.''

In his memo, Smith said he suspects the allegations of impropriety were made by anti-Seabrook opponents ''seeking to nullify authorization of the Seabrook license.''

He suggested the board cooperate with the inspector general's office and make the investigation known to the public.

Meanwhile, Seabrook foes Thursday demanded an immediate shutdown of the nuclear plant until the inspector general's investigation is completed.

''The Seabrook license should be immediately suspended. There is no confidence or belief that the plant meets minimal requirements for protecting the public's health and safety. It's clear that the grossest misconduct and violation of the public interest occurred for the sake of the licensing,'' said Roy Morrison of the anti-nuclear Clamshell Alliance.

Ron Sher, a spokesman for Seabrook, declined specific comment on the NRC investigation but said the plant is ''the most closely scrutinized'' nuclear project ever built.

The NRC inspector general's investigative report is expected to be released ''in a month or more,'' said Smith's memo.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - The government's first community-based test of AIDS drugs will involve about 750 people nationwide and will try to find the best way to prevent a life-threatening brain infection that strikes AIDS patients, officials said Thursday.

Health Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan said the study, which will take place through a network of 18 sites in 14 cities, will compare two drugs to ward off toxoplasmic encephalitis in people infected with the AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV.

''It (the study) represents our emphasis on identifying therapies that will prevent and treat the vast array of AIDS-related opportunistic infections. This will help us improve the quality of life of people with HIV disease,'' Sullivan said.

Toxoplasmic encephalitis is the most common infection of the brain in people with AIDS, and is a major cause of death in such patients. Infection by the same parasitic microbe usually causes no serious problems in healthy people, although it can damage unborn fetuses if a pregnant woman is infected.

If untreated, toxoplasmic encephalitis in AIDS patients is nearly always fatal.

Currently, the standard treatment for the brain infection in AIDS patients is a combination of the drugs pyrimethamine and sulfadiazine. However, lifelong treatment is necessary and the drugs often cause toxic side effects like severe skin rashes that may make it necessary to stop treatment.

The new study, which is expected to take three years, will compare the

effectiveness of pyrimethamine and clindamycin, another drug sometimes used to treat the infection.

The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases recently decided to expand its AIDS drug testing beyond traditional university-affiliated research hospitals to more common health care settings. It is hoped the move will increase participation by women, blacks and intravenous drug users, who in the past have been underrepresented in such studies.

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DANBURY, CT. (AUG. 16) UPI - The defect in the Hubble Space Telescope may have been caused by something as simple as the misplacement of a washer in a device used to measure one of the observatory's mirrors, NASA officials said Thursday.

An errant washer is among several possibilities a NASA investigative team is exploring after confirming the mirror was ground into the wrong shape because of a misaligned measuring device.

''The spherical aberation appears to be caused by a single but costly error,'' said Lew Allen of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., who heads the investigative panel.

''The board has not yet been able to determine how such an error occurred. This question will be examined over the next few weeks as documentation can be located and reviewed,'' he said at a news conference.

But investigators found that the faulty measuring device, called a null corrector, contained spacing washers which were about 1.3 millimeters thick, which is the same size as the error in the null corrector.

''Therefore if the washers were inappropriately installed this could have caused the spacing error,'' Allen said, but he emphasized that there were several other possible causes.

The $1.5 billion telescope, which was ferried into space in April, was expected to revolutionize astronomy by peering more deeply and with greater clarity into space than ever before.

But engineers discovered that the telescope's supposedly perfect optical system was seriously flawed because its 94-inch primary mirror suffered from ''spherical aberration,'' meaning it was curved slightly incorrectly and could not sharply focus starlight.

The telescope still can conduct valuable research and officials hope to correct the mirror problem by 1993, but the flaw seriously reduced the

telescope's capabilities.

Last week Allen's team reported that preliminary tests on the null corrector indicated one of the settings on the device was off by about 1 millimeter, which is only about the diameter of ballpoint pen tip but enough to account for the mirror's flaw.

The device was found in its original form at the Hughes Danbury Optical Systems Corp., where the mirror was built a decade ago when the company was called Perkin-Elmer Inc.

After two more days of meetings at Hughes Danbury, the panel announced it had confirmed the preliminary findings by additional tests, including examining another device and other documents, and more precisely measured the error.

''The board has concluded that the previously reported spacing error in the reflective null corrector ... is the cause of the spherical aberration '' Allen said.

''Several different tests using optical and mechanical measurements are all yielding similar results: a spacing discrepancy of about 1.3 millimeters between the design of the reflective null corrector and the device as it exists explains the observed spherical aberration,'' he said.

Allen added that there were clues that should have alerted officials to the problem that were ignored, in part because the company relied too heavily on the accuracy of the null corrector.

''There were clues which if analyzed at the time would have revealed a problem. They were not considered to be a problem at the time,'' he said.

''We would now judge that it was an error to place that much confidence in a single instrument,'' he said.

The board planned to continue its investigation and return to Hughes Danbrugy Sept. 12.

''We're all very distressed that a mistake like this could occur, and we're determined to understand it as fully as we can and ... ensure that it doesn't happen again,'' Allen said.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - Pathe Communications Group reported that it has guaranteed the completion of its $1.2 billion merger with MGM/United Artists by offering the company as collateral a security interest in a

U.K. theater chain.

According to documents filed this week with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Pathe has given MGM/UA a security interest in all of the issued and outstanding equity securities of its principal U.K. subsidiaries, including a film distribution company and the Pathe U.K. Ltd. cinema chain.

The value of the U.K. subsidiaries, estimated to be at least $320 million in the SEC filing, appears several times greater than the security interest Pathe previously offered to MGM/UA - a $75-million interest in Pathe's first three films.

But Craig Parsons, a Pathe spokesman, said that the net value of the U.K. subsidiaries is expected to be no more than $100 million by the time the merger is completed.

Under the merger agreement, MGM/UA would be entitled to sell the security interest if Pathe defaults on the merger. The proceeds would be held for Pathe and MGM/UA.

The merger, announced last June, calls for Pathe to pay $21 a share for the 63 million MGM/UA shares outstanding. In addition, MGM/UA will merge with a Pathe subsidiary, Pathe Entertainment Inc.

Last July, Pathe said it had amended the security agreement for the merger but did not say what the new security interest would be.

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PASADENA, CA (AUG. 16) UPI - The Magellan probe's electronic brain was ordered to begin bouncing radar beams off the surface of Venus Thursday in critical tests to check out the craft's ability to photograph the planet's hidden surface.

Magellan, safely in orbit around Venus after a successful braking maneuver last Friday, is scheduled to begin a 243-day, $551 million mapping mission around Aug. 30 that is expected to revolutionize humanity's knowledge about Earth's sister planet.

Equipped with a sophisticated imaging radar system, Magellan is expected to map more than 90 percent of Venus's hidden surface, revealing features as small as a football field - 10 times better than any previous effort.

With such relatively sharp maps in hand, scientists may be able to learn why Venus, similar to Earth in many respects, ended up the 900-degree inferno it is today, the victim of a runaway ''greenhouse'' effect. The

results could provide valuable insights into how Earth's environment operates.

Magellan's radar system was turned on and back off Wednesday to make sure the system is operating properly. The probe's on-board computer was scheduled to turn the system back on at 3:30 p.m. PDT Thursday to begin bouncing radar beams off the surface of Venus.

For technical reasons, however, confirmation that the radar system was working properly was not expected until later in the evening. The overall testing and checkout program is scheduled to last about three weeks.

Otherwise, JPL spokesman James Doyle said Magellan is operating in tip-top condition and that only minor problems were under discussion.

A computer chip in a backup attitude control system behaved erratically after Magellan's braking rocket was jettisoned last Friday, prompting the spacecraft to switch over to a backup system.

While it may take several weeks or longer to figure out exactly what went wrong, engineers believe they will be able to re-write the probe's computer programming to work around the apparent fault.

The only other issue involves one of the spacecraft's two high-data-rate radio transmitters.

Doyle said the ''B-channel'' amplifier shut down unexpectedly after the probe reached Venus orbit, prompting Magellan to switch back to the primary ''A-channel'' radio.

He said such amplifiers have a history of sudden shut downs every 10,000 hours or so of operation and that engineers expect this one to return to operation later. In the meantime, the spacecraft can still work as planned.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein escalated the psychological warfare Thursday by predicting U.S. soldiers sent to the Persian Gulf would return in body bags and ordering thousands of American and British nationals in conquered Kuwait to gather in hotels.

British officials said the move was a prelude to possible internment of the foreigners in Iraq, although Baghdad said it was consolidating the foreigners to guarantee their safety.

In Kennebunkport, Maine, King Hussein of Jordan emerged after a two hour meeting with President Bush to report there was no breakthrough in the

2-week-old Persian Gulf standoff, which began Aug. 2 when Iraq invaded the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

Hussein, who has broken ranks with most other Arab states by maintaining ties with Saddam, had reportedly brought a message from the besieged Iraqi president to Bush. But Hussein denied the reports, saying he carried no messages and foresaw no easy solutions to the crisis.

Also Thursday, U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar said that Bush's proposed blockade of Iraq goes beyond the economic sanctions authorized by the Security Council last week.

Bush has ordered U.S. naval forces to cut off supplies to Iraq, without formally calling the move a blockade.

In Saudi Arabia's port city of Dhahran, 200 miles south of the Kuwait border, residents and foreigners flocked to the airport to depart despite the infusion of U.S. and other troops meant to deter an Iraqi attack. Flights out of the city have been filled to capacity, and Saudi Airways was operating on a first-come, first serve basis.

Saddam, in an open letter to Bush read by a spokesman on Baghdad television, bitterly attacked the American president and warned that there would be American casualties if a military conflict erupted.

''We will pray for God and pray that the two (forces) will not clash because then, thousands of Americans will be brought to you in bags after you have forced them in a dark tunnel,'' Saddam said in the letter. ''You are going to be defeated. There is no way evil will overcome.''

Saddam charged that Bush lied to the American people when he said Wednesday that most Arabs supported his decision to send U.S. forces to Saudi Arabia to guard against a possible Iraqi attack from Kuwait.

Saddam also renewed his verbal attack on Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, a key Arab ally of the United States, and called again on Arabs and Moslems to rise up against their pro-Western leaders and fight in a holy war against the U.S. presence.

Mubarak in an interview with Cable News Network called on Saddam to avert war by withdrawing his forces from Kuwait, but he dismissed Bush's call for Iraqis to topple Saddam, saying Bush was intervening in the internal affairs of another country.

British and U.S. officials said Iraq ordered 4,000 Britons and 2,500 Americans in Kuwait to assemble in hotels for possible internment in Iraq.

Earlier Thursday, Iraq allowed some 4,700 foreigners - a group that was

mostly Egyptian but included two Americans, three Britons and a French citizen - to cross into Jordan. The Americans, who were not identified, were the first U.S. citizens to cross into Jordan from Iraq since a group of 11 Americans arrived in the Jordanian capital of Amman Saturday.

Iraqi military authorities said the order issued in Kuwait was to ensure the safety of the foreigners, but the State Department reported there has been no signs that U.S. citizens have been singled out for harassment.

Asked in Kennebunkport about the Americans being held, Bush said ''I am concerned with the coercion of any foreign nationals of some other country is a violation of international norm.''

Bush also tried to de-escalate the war of words with Saddam in which he called the Iraqi leader ''a liar'' Wednesday and Saddam tossed the same epithet back at him.

''There's no need for me to respond'' since he did not make ''any concrete proposal,'' Bush said.

In Washington, State Department officials said the Iraqi decision to collect all Americans in Kuwait and Iraq is an ominous sign that Iraqi intends to escalate the confrontation in gulf.

The development appeared to diminish any possibility of a diplomatic settlement of the crisis, said the officials, who declined to be identified.

Asked if detention under such conditions would make the Americans hostages State Department Spokesman Richard Boucher said, ''I'm not prepared to go into that debate'' over definition.

British Foreign Officer Minister of State William Waldegrave called the edict a ''grave and sinister development.''

Britain urged its citizens to comply with the order, while the United States left the decision to each individual. Iraqi authorities had threatened to ''round up'' Americans if they failed to assemble at the hotel, U.S. officials said.

Iraq, seeking new alliances as it confronts the tightening U.N. trade embargo and U.S.-led military buildup, also Thursday made good on a surprise peace overture to its long-time foe Iran by offering to repatriate 2,000 Iranian prisoners a day.

Iraq had offered a peace program to Iran Wednesday that included the recognition of Iranian borders and the release of prisoners of war from the 1980-1988 conflict between the two countries.

But Tehran radio reported Thursday that Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani had assured Turkey he still wanted Iraq to withdraw its troops from Kuwait.

''The matter of our peace with Iraq is separate'' from the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the radio quoted the Iranian president as saying. ''We still believe that Iraq must leave Kuwaiti soil so that necessary grounds are established for peace and calm in the region.''

Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency quoted Egyptian workers returning home from Kuwait as saying there had been an assassination attempt against Saddam, but diplomats could not confirm the reports, dismissed by many as rampant rumor.

The news agency said the workers reported ''wide-scale arrests of military people and civilians in Iraq (Wednesday) in what apparently is believed to be part of an assassination attempt against Saddam at the hands of people close to Saddam.''

The report appeared to be part of a propaganda war between Iraq and Egypt, which deployed a second contingent of troops Thursday to stand alongside U.S. military forces in Saudi Arabia.

Iraq faces an increase in U.S. forces with the deployment of 45,000 heavily armed Marines who will join the 26,000 American troops already in Saudi Arabia for Operation Desert Shield.

Diplomats had hoped that Jordan's Hussein, who has not honored the U.N.-ordered economic sanctions against Iraq, had brought an Iraqi peace initiative to Bush's vacation home in Kennebunkport.

But Hussein said after meeting with his old friend Bush that there was no initiative and no breakthrough.

''I did not bring any message,'' he told reporters. When asked if there was any hope for a solution to the crisis, he offered only: ''I suppose one has to have hope. Without hope you can't get anywhere.''

Jordan has been permitting Iraq to use its port in the Gulf of Aqaba to bring in limited shipments of food and other goods, which are carried by trucks to Iraq. Hussein said he held a ''frank'' discussion with Bush, but did not suggest he would accede to Bush's wishes and close off the Iraqi lifeline.

Also meeting with Bush in Kennebunkport, Prince Saud, the Saudi Foreign Minister said he brought a message of ''gratitude and appreciation from'' King Fahd and the people of Saudi Arabia'' to the United States and other

nations that are helping from possible Iraqi aggression.''

Asked if the crisis can be resolved without war, Saud replied:

''We still hope conflict can be avoided (but) if and only if Iraq withdraws from Kuwait and legality returns.''

In other developments Thursday:

- Iraq's air force command warned foreign pilots that they may not survive at the hands of civlians if they are shot down over Iraq, the Iraqi news agency INA reported.

- In Saudi Arabia, U.S. Air Force crew chiefs said several Iraqi fighter jets retreated when American jets locked them into weapon radar systems.

- Kuwait's ambassador to France, Tarek Razzouki, escaped from Kuwait City where he had been trapped after the Aug. 2 invasion by Iraq and has returned to Paris, the embassy said.

- Japanese authorities reported Japanese businessmen were being refused permission to leave Iraq and Kuwait, and Norway said Iraq has refused a request to permit Norwegian nationals to leave as well.

- A U.S. delegate at arms reduction talks in Switzerland repeated a warning that the United States would ''respond in kind'' if Iraq attacked U.S. troops with its deadly arsenal of chemical weapons.

- A Polish newspaper reported that the Iraqi ship Balques, on its way to Iraq, may be carrying weapons loaded in the Polish port of Gdynia hours before the invasion of Kuwait.

- French radio said King Hassan of Morocco plans to announce a peace initiative Monday that calls for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait under the guidance of the Arab League.

- The State Department advised Americans not to travel to eastern Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates.

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FARMINGDALE, NY (AUG. 16) UPI - A 14-year-old high school student suspected of breaking into an Air Force computer last year was charged Thursday with organizing a gang of ''hackers'' who allegedly stole a $1.2 million software program from a university computer.

The teen, identified only by his computer nickname, ''Zod,'' because of

his age, allegedly headed a gang of high school and college students that met in Manhattan and planned electronic heists to enhance their reputations, police said.

The group went by the name ''Mod,'' said senior investigator Donald Delany of the state police.

''Zod'' is a suspect in the break-in last November of the Secretary of the Air Force computer in the Pentagon, Delaney said. He declined to comment on whether classified material was taken from the computer.

Raids carried out by the state police, U.S. Secret Service, New York state Attorney General, and the district attorneys in Nassau and Suffolk, netted more than $50,000 in computer equipment and 12 other suspects.

''This was not an operation for financial advantage, although the participants stole and used copyrighted material,'' Delany said. ''But it gave those participating elevated prestige among computer hackers.''

''Zod,'' a student at Manhattan's prestigious Stuyvesant High School, two classmates, and a friend from the Bronx High School of Science, allegedly used a stolen toll-free phone number to slip into the computer of the City University in Bellevue, Wash.

The hackers stole a copyrighted ''C'' Source program developed by AT&T at a cost of $1.2 million to program the UNIX computer, and also stole a number of coyrighted computer games, Delaney said.

Investigators tracked down the hackers by obtaining New York telephone records for $1,000 worth of phone calls the group ran up.

Police arrested twelve others - five adults and seven juveniles - and said two more arrests were expected.

Charged with computer tampering, computer trespassing, unauthorized use of computers, and theft of services, each could face up to 4 years in prison.

The adults were identified as Cornell University student Teerawee Unchalipongse, 19, Staten Island; St.; Francis College student Anhtu Nguyen, 21, Brooklyn; Bronx High School of Science student Chai Hung Ling, 17, Queens; Bruce Monroe, 32, an unemployed electronics technician, Queens; and Jeff Miller, 21, Franklin Square, N.Y.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - King Hussein of Jordan met with President Bush today and maintained that his country is abiding by the U-N-backed embargo against

Iraq. But after the meeting in Kennebunkport, Maine... Hussein said he is trying to clarify whether the cutoff applies to food. Hussein denied earlier reports that he brought a message from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. He said he came to ''de-escalate'' the crisis in the Middle East.

Federal health officials say Americans are cutting down on cholesterol and smoking... but they still aren't exercising enough to prevent heart disease. A Centers for Disease Control study found that 30 to 40 percent of heart disease deaths probably could have been prevented if the victims had exercised. A top official at the Atlanta facility said the entire U-S population needs to- quote- ''get out there and start moving.''

Hundreds of supporters rallied outside the Dominican Republic's National Assembly today as 82-year-old President Joaquin Balaguer began his sixth term in office. The rally follows two days of a bloody general strike in which 13 people died. Balaguer is raising food and gas prices more than 50 percent.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 16) UPI - Motorists in a number of cities nationwide protested rising gasoline prices Thursday by refusing to purchase fuel and driving with their vehicles' headlights on.

The motorists responded to pleas from radio stations to make Thursday a gas boycott day to show their displeasure at gasoline price hikes since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

KGGI, the Riverside, Calif., that organized the boycott effort, said about 40 stations nationwide participated. According to a Houston station backing the boycott, another 15 other stations were taking part.

''We're just trying to make a statement. Our slogan is, 'Together we can make a statement,''' said Joe Libios, promotions director for KHYS in Houston.

Meanwhile, Amoco Corp. and Unocal Corp., two of the nation's largest gasoline marketers, lifted the freeze on wholesale gasoline prices they had imposed last week after President Bush called on the oil industry to moderate the price runup at the pump.

Dave Ferguson, program director at WPGC in Greenbelt, Md., said that 3,000 calls were placed to the station supporting the boycott that about 200 did not. Steve Hegwood, KHYS program director, said the station received 702 supportive calls in three hours Thursday.

''The response has been fabulous,'' said Jeff Dean of KGGI. ''The reason

is probably that people can relate to this. It gives the consumers ... a chance to cry out, to get their voice heard.''

Dean said the station received a negative call from a gas station owner who said the boycott was unfair.

Program Director Mike McCoy of KJ103 in Oklahoma City said a limousine service in the city offered to send a limo to pick up anyone who ran out of gas while supporting the boycott.

Many of the stations began promoting the boycott Monday or Tuesday and received a growing number of calls each day in support of the effort, station officials said.

''The phones have been ringing nonstop since Tuesday, when we announced it on the air,'' said Rich Stevens of 102 JAMZ in Orlando, Fla. ''We realize we can't stop buying gas. But we also understand there is no gasoline shortage and there is no reason for the higher prices.''

Dan Upton, program director for KITY in San Antonio, Texas, said people responded to the boycott because ''anyone who drives a car has been affected by gas prices going up.''

Some stations reported supportive calls from people with relatives among the American troops sent to Saudi Arabia to stop any Iraqi attempt to invade that country.

Jim Daniels of KGGI said a woman caller said she would not be driving Thursday and would support the boycott by posting a sign in her yard saying ''No Gas Thursday.''

''What we have to remember is that we have American servicemen overseas,'' he said. ''Everyone should remember we have people who may fight and die in the Middle East over the prices on the pumps. She said her brother-in-law and his brother had been shipped to Saudi Arabia.''

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(AUG. 16) UPI - Radio stations in a number of states are urging drivers to protest rising gasoline prices by driving with their headlights on and NOT buying gas today. A Riverside, California, station organized the protest and says about 40 stations took part nation-wide. One station in Oklahoma City says a limousine service offered to send a limousine to pick up anyone who runs out of gas while supporting the boycott.

Vicki Long, whose affair with Atlanta's Roman Catholic archbishop led to his downfall, says church officials knew about her relationship with

Archbishop Eugene Marino from the ''very beginning.'' At a news conference in Atlanta, the church worker said she has received and is still receiving church money. She also said the couple exchanged marriage vows in 1988... adding that she loves Marino and considers herself married to him.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 16) UPI - Two of the New York Yankees minority owners filed suit against baseball Commissioner Fay Vincent and chief investigator John Dowd in U.S. District Court Thursday, seeking to keep George Steinbrenner in charge of the team.

Minority owners Daniel McCarthy and Harold Bowman filed the suit, seeking to nullify the July 30 agreement between Vincent and Steinbrenner that laid the groundwork for Steinbrenner to step down as the Yankees' managing partner.

McCarthy, a Cleveland tax attorney, is one of Steinbrenner's lawyers. A spokesman for Steinbrenner said the Yankees principal owner had nothing to do with the suit.

McCarthy and Bowman ''claim they are entitled to have Steinbrenner be the managing general manager of the New York Yankees and the commissioner is interfering with that relationship,'' Cleveland lawyer Mark Cohn told United Press International Thursday evening after filing the suit in behalf of McCarthy and Bowman.

U.S. Federal District Court Judge Alice Batchelder will hold a hearing Friday at 11 a.m. EDT to review the complaint.

Cohn says McCarthy and Bowman think Vincent's ruling was ''wrongfully based'' and they ''object to the way the investigation and hearing were conducted.''

''There are things we allege in the complaint that he should not have done '' said Cohn.

The minority owners are also seeking a temporary restraining order, preliminary injunction and permanent injunction enjoining Vincent and Dowd from carrying out their penalty against Steinbrenner.

On July 30, Vincent ordered Steinbrenner to step down by Aug 20 as general partner and to cease all activity dealing with the day-to-day running of the ballclub because of his dealing with admitted gambler Howard Spira.

Vincent said the suit was ''without merit.''

''The allegations against Mr. Dowd and me are without merit and we are confident that the matter will be disposed of by the court in Cleveland,'' Vincent said in a statement released by his office.

The suit charges Vincent with carrying out a preconceived plan to drive Steinbrenner from baseball. The suit said Vincent used ''vague and ill-defined powers vested in the commissioner'' to force Steinbrenner to step down.

Another Yankees minority owner, Leonard Kleinman, is expected to file suit against Vincent for rejecting him as Steinbrenner's replacement.

Vincent repeated his contention that the investigation was impartial and fair.

''The suit filed by the limited partners against John Dowd and me and, remarkably, the New York Yankees, represents an attempt to prevent Steinbrenner from having to honor his agreement with me on July 30, 1990 '' the commissioner said.

''Baseball deserves and demands that its affairs conform scrupulously to the highest standards of honor, principle, and integrity.

''This agreement was the result of a serious, impartial, and thorough investigation. It was entered into in good faith without stated equivocation or reservation. It deserves to be honored. We will honor it.''

The suit was filed one day after the Yankees limited partners approved Robert Nederlander as interim general partner. Nederlander will replace Steinbrenner pending approval of the American League and National League team owners.

Steinbrenner's original choice, his son Hank, decided not to pursue the post. Earlier this week the commissioner's office rejected Steinbrenner's second choice, Kleinman, Yankees executive vice president and chief operating officer, due to a pending investigation of Kleinman's role in the $40,000 payment Steinbrenner made to Spira in January.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 16) UPI - The Pentagon said Thursday it was preparing to send out an order to U.S. warships in the Persian Gulf spelling out how to block oil tankers and other commercial vessels from reaching or leaving Iraq.

''The president has authorized us to take action and the order will go out shortly. There is no standing order to the ships at sea right now,''

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said.

Williams refused to say what degree of force U.S. ships would be authorized to use to impose the trade embargo against Iraq that President Bush has set as a goal.

No commercial ships have been stopped by the growing U.S. naval armada in the Persian Gulf area since the U.N. Security Council last week adopted an embargo against Iraq in response to Baghdad's invasion of oil-rich Kuwait.

On Monday, an Iraqi tanker turned away from a Saudi Arabian port on the Red Sea when the Saudis refused to send out tug boats to help it dock.

The United States has nearly 30 warships in the region, including three aircraft carriers and the battleship USS Wisconsin, and could easily keep commercial vessels from leaving or approaching Iraqi ports.

The aircraft carrier USS Independence and seven warships are in the Gulf of Oman, at the mouth of the Persian Gulf, the carrier USS Eisenhower and four warships are in the Red Sea, off the coast of Saudi Arabia, and the carrier USS Saratoga and six warships are in the Eastern Mediterranean.

In addition, seven U.S. warships led by the command vessel USS LaSalle are in the Persian Gulf itself.

Williams declined to discuss the specific ''rules of engagement'' for the U.S. warships that would be contained in the interdiction order.

''In general terms, one would assume that it would be to stop ships going into or out of ports carrying goods destined for Iraq,'' he said, without elaborating on the kind of force to be used.

Indicating there is no sense of urgency to issuing the order, Williams said, ''There is no ship (in the region) about to take that sort of action for which a Navy ship would need instructions, say, within the next 24 to 36 hours.''

The rules are expected to include phased steps of action, such as U.S. warships first asking a commercial vessel to identify its cargo, requesting a suspicious one to stop for possible boarding, and then firing a warning shot across its bow if it refuses.

''There should be confusion in the minds of any cargo ship as to what it is that we are thinking about trying to discourage - that is, commerce with Iraq,'' Williams said.

Warships from Britain, France, the Soviet Union, Australia, Canada, and the Netherlands were either in the Persian Gulf or heading to the area.

But the U.S. interdiction order apparently was not part of any multinational effort.

''I assume that every navy will be under the control of its own government '' Williams said. ''Obviously we'd like to see them follow pretty much the same rules. But I think that that would be up to individual navies to decide.''

Meanwhile, the U.S. military buildup in the region continued. A defense official said ''in excess of 100,000'' U.S. ground troops will be sent to Saudi Arabia under Operation Desert Shield.

More than 30,000 troops were believed to be in the country Thursday.

The Pentagon said late Thursday the military deployment will cost an estimated $1.2 billion through the end of September. That figure did not include the expense of calling up reserve forces, a move still under consideration.

Williams said members of the 3rd Army Calvary Regiment from Fort Bliss, Texas, and the Air Force's tank-killing A-10 Thunderbolt jets from Myrtle Beach, S.C., were leaving Thursday for Saudi Arabia.

He also confirmed that radar-evading F-117A ''stealth'' fighter-bombers were being sent to bases in Saudi Arabia.

With bombers and amphibious assault ships being deployed to Saudi Arabia, Williams was asked whether ''Desert Shield'' had shifted from a defensive mission to an offensive one.

''It's there to deter acts of aggression. Remember, while we're talking about a buildup of U.S. forces ... Iraq currently has about 160,000 troops in Kuwait and 1 million men under arms. It's an enormously large, well-equipped adversary,'' he said.

Asked specifically about the defensive nature the stealth fighter-bombers, Williams said, ''Some of the forces you would have there would be deterrent by their mere presence.''

Williams also said he could not confirm a press pool report from Saudi Arabia that U.S. F-15 fighter jets on several occasions have locked their radar weapons systems onto Iraqi fighter jets and that the Iraqis turned in retreat.

''I have not seen any indpendent reports that our pilots are locking on,'' Williams said. ''Maybe they look with their radar, but I just don't know precisely what they meant by 'locking on.'''

Williams said there has been ''nothing imminent out there'' as far as U.S.-Iraqi incidents or hostilities.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - Jordan's King Hussein told reporters today that he will continue working toward a diplomatic solution for the standoff in the Persian Gulf. Speaking after a two-hour meeting with President Bush in Maine, Hussein said that he maintains a sense of hope to resolve the tense situation. He also said that his nation respects U-N sanctions against his neighbor, Iraq... although he was UNsure if the embargo included food shipments.

A federal agricultural official says farmers are likely to face higher production costs because of tensions in the Persian Gulf. But Gerald Grinnell of the Agriculture Department's energy office says he expects farmers to ''absorb'' the higher costs. A spokeswoman for the American Farm Bureau Federation says ''American consumers should NOT see much of an increase in food prices from the farm end.''

NASA officials are discounting reports that the shuttle Discovery's payload poses a potential threat in the event of a disaster. Discovery is scheduled to boost the nuclear-powered Ulysses solar probe around October 5th. However, anti-nuclear activists say there is a chance that the probe's nuclear generator could spew radioactive plutonium in the case of a shuttle disaster.

The lights are due to come back on in New York City today. Con Edison says it expects to restore electric power to the Fulton District in Lower Manhattan. The area has been without juice since a fire destroyed an electrical sub-station Monday. Some 25-hundred residential units and 800 businesses have been without power. But that didN'T stop Beekman Downtown Hospital... which has delivered nine healthy babies during the blackout.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - One of the Soviet Union's top rock and roll stars... Viktor Tsoi ... has died in a car crash. The official Tass news agency reported today that Tsoi apparently fell asleep behind the wheel and crashed into a bus. Tsoi was an idol of Soviet young people as the lead singer and a guitarist in Kino ... one of the top Soviet rock groups flourishing under glasnost.

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electrical sub-station Monday. Some 25-hundred residential units and 800 businesses have been without power. But that didN'T stop Beekman Downtown Hospital... which has delivered nine healthy babies during the blackout.

The former chief financial officer for a textile company today confessed and implicated three senior executives in a 152-Million dollar bank and securities fraud. In a federal court in Newark, New Jersey... Bruce Bloom pleaded guilty to bank fraud in the collapse of Coated Sales Incorporated. Bloom said he faked accounts receivable to help the company obtain a 52-Million loan. When Coated Sales collapsed... shareholders lost 100-Million dollars.

A spokeswoman for a consumer advocacy group is expressing cautious optimism following an action by the Consumer Product Safety Commission to ban crib toys blamed for at least 30 infant deaths between 1973 and 1987. Mary Ellen Fise said her group... the Consumer Federation of America... was pleased with the decision to ban the dangerous nursery toys. But she said the toys in question will remain legally available until the agency completes new regulations.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - President Bush says he gained assurances from Jordan's King Hussein that the Jordanian port of Aqaba will respect U-N-ordered sanctions against Iraq. His comments followed a two-hour meeting with the Jordanian monarch today, and another two-hour session with officials from Saudi Arabia. Bush expressed confidence that differences between Washington and Jordan- in his words- ''have been narrowed.''

Federal officials say the United States has NO intention of responding in kind to the Iraqi detention of Americans and Britons in Iraq and Iraqi-controlled Kuwait. An Immigration and Naturalization Service spokesman says the United States... like most democracies... does NOT have a so-called exit policy which requires foreigners to announce their intention to leave the country in advance of their departure. Such a policy exists in Iraq.

The violence between South Africa's rival black movements spread to Soweto today... prompting a new effort to halt the fighting that's claimed more than 160 lives since Monday. African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela and Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok agreed at an emergency meeting in Soweto to establish a ''peace forum'' tomorrow representing all parties in the conflict.

A Soviet official says Nobel laureate Alexander Solzhenitsyn agreed to accept his restored citizenship only after ''rather high-level'' talks. But Solzhenitsyn's wife, Natalia, says he rejected the offer. President

Gorbachev yesterday gave a blanket restoration of citizenship to a number of exiles. But Natalia Solzhenitsyn says the decree does NOT apologize for her husband's expulsion... NOR does it drop treason charges.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - Fear NOT, nature lovers... California's Yosemite National Park is said to have come through the wildfires almost as beautiful as ever. The California park will partially re-open tomorrow.. one week after being closed by fire for the first time in its 100-year history. Only one-and-a-half percent of the park is estimated to have been touched by the flames. But visitors will likely see forest floors covered with ash from the blazes.

Assistant House Republican leader Newt Gingrich today called for big tax cuts instead of tax increases to avoid a recession. In an interview from his office in Newnan, Goergia... Gingrich said the most important anti-deficit measure is to stimulate the economy. Gingrich is a negotiator in the stalled budget talks between Congress and the White House. His stand opposes that of President Bush. Gingrich said he is ''NOT optimistic'' the talks will succeed.

Researchers combating diabetes have scored a significant success in controlling the disease. In a published report scientists say they were able to wean diabetes patients from their insulin dose for as long as six months. The procedure involves removing insulin-producing islet cells from the pancreas of a donor, purifying them and injecting them into the patient.

Hundreds of people... ranging from curious onlookers to grieving fans... gathered today in Kansas City, Missouri, to commemorate Elvis Presley. Among those who gathered to remember the 13th anniversary of Presley's death were a number of people who donned the familiar sequined jumpsuits favored by ''The King.'' Johnny Harra Junior was voted the best Elvis impersonator.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - President Bush has ordered U-S naval forces to cut off supplies to Iraq. But U-N Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar says the proposed blockade- which the United States calls ''interdiction''- goes beyond the economic sanctions authorized last week by the Security Council.

NO commercial ships have been stopped yet by the growing U-S naval armada in the Persian Gulf area. The Pentagon said today it is preparing to send

out an order to American warships... spelling out how to block oil tankers and other commercial vessels from reaching or leaving Iraq.

NASA officials say something as simple as the misplacement of a washer in a measuring device may have caused one of the mirrors in the Hubble Space Telescope to be ground wrong- accounting for the observatory's blurry vision.

The Environmental Protection Agency says 96 areas in the United States... most of them cities... have smog levels exceeding federal health standards. That's a slight decline from the 101 cities cited for violations last year.

The Actors' Equity Council has reversed its earlier decision and now says it's O-K for British actor Jonathon Pryce to play the lead role of a Eurasian pimp in the Broadway production of ''Miss Saigon.''

Producer Cameron Mackintosh said he's ''encouraged'' by the reversal. He says he'll meet with members of the creative team and with Pryce to determine if the show will open in New York. The union's original decision had forced Mackintosh to cancel next's April opening.

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(AUG. 16) UPI - A possible solution to the four days of factional fighting that has killed more than 160 people in black townships near Johannesburg. Black leader Nelson Mandela and South Africa's law and order minister agreed tonight to establish a ''peace forum'' tomorrow representing all parties in the conflict.

The Swedish Supreme Court ruled today that a Soviet teen-ager who hijacked a domestic airliner to Stockholm July 5th will NOT be deported and instead will be tried in Sweden. Two other young Soviet hijackers were deported last month.

A federal jury in Minneapolis will resume deliberations for a second day tomorrow in the drunken flying trial of three former Northwest Airlines pilots. If convicted, the defendants could face up to 15 years in prison each.

A New York jury deliberated for an eighth day today in the trial of three youths charged in the rape and nearly fatal beating of a woman jogger in Central Park last year. A court reporter read back testimony to jurors describing the woman's injuries and the gruesome way they were inflicted.

Six eastern Kentucky law enforcement officers were indicted today by a federal grand jury in Lexington for helping transport cocaine and

marijuana through their counties. Prosecutors say the case is thought to be the largest ever involving law officers in Kentucky.

A spokeswoman says President Bush's uncle died today at a hospital about 10 miles from Bush's summer home in Kennebunkport, Maine. The spokeswoman says Dr. John Walker, who was the brother of Bush's mother, died about 20 minutes before the president arrived to visit his uncle.

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#90228u2852 08/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - The Pentagon says it is ready to send out orders telling U-S warships in the Persian Gulf how to block commercial ships from dealing with Iraq. Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said there is NO such standing order right now... but the command will go out ''shortly.'' Williams refused to say what degree of force U-S ships would use. The U-S armada has NOT stopped any ships since the U-N last week adopted an embargo against Iraq.

Iran asserts that Iraq should get out of Kuwait. Tehran radio reported today that Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani assured neighboring Turkey of his country's position. The report quoted Rafsanjani as saying Iraq's offer yesterday to settle the Iran-Iraq conflict ''is separate'' from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Turkey borders both Iran and Iraq... and is in a strategic position in efforts to contain Iraq.

NASA officials say the misplacement of a washer may be the cause of the Hubble Space Telescope's blurry vision. The head of the investigative panel looking into the cause of the one-point-five-BILLION-dollar device's flaw says the problem appears to stem from what he called ''a single but costly error.'' Investigators say a one-point-three-millimeter-wide washer could be the source of the problem.

The Office of Thrift Supervision says the government may seek a court order to force failed savings and loan executive Charles Keating provide federal investigators with a list of his assets. Federal authorities want Keating and his associates from the failed Lincoln Savings and Loan in Irving, California, to make restitution on 40-point-nine-Million dollars in losses. Keating says he can't repay the government and is ignoring its request for a list of assets.

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NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency honored The Louisiana Land and Exploration Co. (LL&E) (NYSE: LLX) here this week.

Regional Administrator Robert E. Layton Jr., selected LL&E to receive EPA's Environmental Recognition Award because of its "commitment to the preservation and enhancement of delicate marsh and wetland environments."

LL&E is the first company to receive this new award, created recently at the instigation of the Regional Administrator to encourage environmental responsibility in the business and industrial arenas.

Layton presented the award to H. Leighton Steward, chairman, president and chief executive office of LL&E, in ceremonies at LL&E's corporate headquarters in New Orleans.

In announcing the award, Layton noted that LL&E, the largest private owner of coastal wetlands in the United States, has a "long history of environmental consciousness . . . and has exhibited good stewardship of coastal resources."

He said, "EPA is particularly appreciative of LL&E's efforts to communicate the concerns for the extensive loss of Louisiana coastal wetlands and LL&E's continued leadership in developing wetland conservation programs devoted to preserving and enhancing these valuable aquatic resources."

LL&E's educational efforts have helped increase public awareness of the value of coastal wetlands and the growing problem of eroding wetlands, Layton said.

"In addition," Layton concluded, "LL&E has been instrumental in developing a plant species material center at Golden Meadow, La., by donating the use of appropriate land and office facilities to the Soil Conservation Service a program which develops plants which are hardy and salt-water tolerant to assist in control of erosion and wetland loss."

Mayor Sidney Barthelemy and Norm Thomas, chief of the Federal Activities Branch of EPA for Region Six, also participated in the ceremony. A specially designed plaque and EPA's highly coveted "E-E" (Environmental Excellence) flag were presented to LL&E by Layton.

Responding to the award, Steward sounded an upbeat note with regard to the wetlands crisis facing the country. Steward said that, while loss of wetlands is severe and continuing, "I am now convinced that there are ways to achieve the no net loss goal established by President Bush."

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - SOTA Technology has announced that its 340i graphics board is now available with TIGA 2.0 drivers for Windows 3.0 applications.

In a related move, the company challenged the high-definition graphics boards market by offering the bundled package, which includes a proprietary hardware windowing accelerator, CGA emulation, 1 megabyte of VRAM and a five-year warranty, for $1,590.

''Users are weary of piecemeal solutions,'' said Mike Raghavan, SOTA Technology vice president of marketing. ''We have therefore created a package that incorporates all the latest high-performance graphics features -- hardware and software -- and we have aggressively priced it at about $500 less than comparable products with the options added.''

The SOTA board is based on the Texas Instruments 34010 graphics processor. With 1 megabyte of VRAM, the SOTA 340i supports resolutions up to 1280 x 1024 non-interlaced in 16 colors. Lower-resolution versions, with 512K of VRAM and DRAM, are also available starting at less than $1,000.

The SOTA 340i comes with programming interfaces for TIGA 2.0, DGIS, 8514/A and a variety of drivers that include a DLP (Display List Processor) driver for AutoCAD Rel. 10. AutoCAD Rel. 11 is planned for early release.

As an added feature, the 340i has an on-board mouse port to save a full slot in the host system, which may be an IBM AT or 100 percent compatible system (including 286-, 386- and 486-based computers).

SOTA Technology manufactures and markets PC enhancements, graphics and communications products.

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SEATTLE (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Nordstrom Friday announced it has settled all outstanding issues with the National Labor Relations Board, and will sign a settlement agreement later today.

''This settlement wipes the slate clean in terms of the unfair labor

practice charges that have been filed by the union,'' said Joe Demarte, vice president, personnel. ''We felt it was more important to reach a settlement of the issues pending before the NLRB rather than continuing to debate the merits of the union's allegations.''

Over the past year, Local 1001 of the United Food and Commercial Workers Union had filed 19 separate charges against Nordstrom claiming violations of the National Labor Relations Act. Thirteen of those were dismissed or withdrawn in total; parts of others were dismissed as well. The union appealed four of those dismissals to Washington D.C. and each appeal was denied.

The most recent charge filed by the union alleged 44 separate violations of the Act. The NLRB found merit in less than 25 percent of the claims.

The settlement requires Nordstrom to post for 60 days a notice to employees explaining the findings of the NLRB and what the company will and will not do as part of its settlement.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix-based America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) has introduced a series of heavily discounted fares throughout the carrier's continental U.S. route system beginning as low as $158 round trip.

Marilyn Hoppe, vice president of pricing and revenue management said, ''We anticipate that these new discounted fares will help to stimulate traffic during the normally slow fall season.'' Hoppe noted that America West is becoming more aggressive in their pricing strategy and additional discounts could occur prior to the year's end. She added, ''We have already put in place a Labor Day fare special, as well as other market specific discounted fares.''

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - KLA Instruments Corp. (NASDAQ:KLAC) has promoted Arthur Schnitzer to corporate vice president.

Schnitzer, a 12-year employee, is general manager of KLA's Wafer Inspection Division. Prior to this position, Schnitzer had served as vice president, Advanced Inspection, where he was responsible for applying electron beam technology to automatic inspection applications.

From 1978 to 1988, Schnitzer was a member of KLA's Reticle and Photomask Inspection Division, where he was most recently vice president, Technology and Marketing and had previously served as vice president, Engineering.

Prior to KLA, Schnitzer was employed by Link Division of the Singer Co. in various technical and management positions. He holds a bachelor's of science degree from Union College (Schenectady, N.Y.).

KLA Instruments Corp. is a leading innovator of industrial image automation systems.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - KLA Instruments Corp. (NASDAQ:KLAC) has promoted Willian Turner to vice president, corporate controller.

Turner, a seven-year employee, was appointed controller in 1989 and previously held divisional and international controllership positions at KLA. Turner is responsible for financial reporting, budgeting, analysis and corporate M.I.S. functions.

Prior to this position, Turner had served as controller for the RAPID, ATS and International Divisions. Prior to KLA, Turner was the financial analyst for Wells Fargo's London branch.

Turner, a native of Montreal, holds a bachelor's of arts degree from Princeton and a master's of business administration degree from Stanford.

KLA Instruments Corp. is a leading innovator of industrial image automation systems.

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BREA, CA (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Jack Wen, president of PCC Group Inc. (NASDAQ:PCCG) Friday announced record revenues and earnings for the three months and nine months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the nine months ended increased to $61,009,970, resulting in record net income of $959,165, or 43 cents per share, on the 2,254,962 shares outstanding. Operating results for the three months ended June 30, 1990, also increased to $18,820,675, resulting in net income of $356,343, or 16 cents per share.

PCC Group is a manufacturer and distributor of micro computer systems, add-in modules, memories, peripheral equipment, accessory products and integrated circuits.

PCC GROUP INC.
Summary of Operations
For the Period Ended June 30

	Nine Months Ended June 30 1990	Three Months Ended June 30 1990
Revenues	$61,009,970	$18,820,675
Net income	$ 959,165	$ 356,343
Net income per share	43 cents	16 cents
Shares of common stock	2,254,962	2,254,962

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or
Coffin Communications Group, Sherman Oaks
William F. Coffin, 818/789-0300

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Americus Funding Corp. (OTC Pink Sheets:AFC) announced Friday that its board of directors has reduced the exercise price for each 200 of the company's outstanding Callable Class A Purchase Warrants (Class A Warrants) from $4 per unit, consisting of one share of common stock and 200 Callable Class B Purchase Warrants (Class B Warrants), to $2 per unit.

The board has also reduced the exercise price of the company's outstanding Class B Warrants from $8 per share of common stock to $2 per share for each 200 Class B Warrants exercised on or before Sept. 17, 1990, and to $5 per share for each 200 Class B Warrants exercised after Sept. 17, 1990.

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Luana M. Kruse, 714/756-2230

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MIDDLETOWN, OH (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Pinnacle Bancorp Inc., (NASDAQ:MFSB) the holding company for MidFed Savings Bank, reported fiscal 1990 earnings of $416,000, or 60 cents per share, compared to a loss of $5.3 million, or $7.60 per share, in fiscal 1989.

The 1989 loss was the result of Pinnacle's decision to write-off its remaining supervisory goodwill.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, Pinnacle reported a net loss of $283,000, or 41 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $2.1 million, or $3.03 per share, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Pinnacle's net income in 1990 was impacted by approximately $325,000 in non-cash charges taken in the fourth quarter to eliminate MidFed Capital Corp., its financing subsidiary.

Pinnacle expects to recover the cost of this transaction, which was previously announced in January, within six months through the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards (NOLs) to offset income tax expense in fiscal 1991 and the elimination of the finance subsidiary's annual operating expenses of approximately $225,000. Because of this transaction Pinnacle was able to reduce its income tax expense by approximately $250,000 in fiscal 1990.

Also during the fourth quarter of 1990, Pinnacle increased its loan reserve by $180,000 to provide additional protection against a weakening real estate market.

''This past year was one of transition for Pinnacle Bancorp and the savings and loan industry,'' stated Loren E. Richardson, chairman and CEO. ''A volatile financial market, unfavorable publicity about the industry and major regulatory restructuring created an uncertain operating environment.

''1990 was a year of positioning our balance sheet for future profitable growth,'' said Richardson. ''We have accomplished this goal.''

As previously announced, Pinnacle declared a $.125 per share quarterly dividend payable on Aug. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 15, 1990.

Pinnacle Bancorp Inc., (NASDAQ:MFSB) is the holding company for MidFed Savings Bank. The bank operates six retail banking offices in Butler and Warren Counties and offers financial planning and investment products

through Money Concepts, an international financial planning firm.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Greyhound Lines of Canada Ltd., a subsidiary of Greyhound Dial Corp., Friday declared a quarterly dividend on the company's stock of 30 cents (Canadian) per share.

The dividend is payable September 28, 1990 to shareholders of record September 7, 1990.

CONTACT: Greyhound Dial Corp., Phoenix, William H. Peltier, (602) 248-5812.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Today the Charles Ford Co. received the first disbursement of a $24.1 million SBA disaster loan. Oscar Wright, regional administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration, announced that the loan is the second largest disaster loan in SBA history.

The Small Business Administration was able to exceed its usual lending limits because the Charles Ford Co. is a major source of employment in the central California coastal area and its continued operation is of significant economic importance to the entire coastal community.

Wright said that the loan proceeds will be used to replace existing financing, replenish damaged and destroyed inventory, furniture, and fixtures. In addition, the loan funds will provide more than $11.5 million to rebuild the store and service center in Watsonville, Calif.

Wright went on to say, "To date the SBA has accepted more than 25,000 disaster loan applications as a result of last October's earthquake. We have approved more than 14,700 loans to victims of the earthquake totalling nearly $550 million. Some $215 million have already been disbursed to loan recipients." For further information, please contact Leigh Segundo, assistant regional administrator for public communications, at (415) 556-7487.

CONTACT: Small Business Administration, San Francisco, Leigh Segundo, (415) 556-7487.

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DALLAS (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Hallwood Energy Corp. (NMS:HWEC) Friday announced that its board of directors has authorized the company to purchase shares of the common stock of The Hallwood Group Inc. (NYSE:HWG) from time to time in open market or private transactions.

Hallwood Energy indicated that it may purchase up to approximately $2.5 million of Hallwood Group stock because it believes that the purchases are a prudent investment of Hallwood Energy's funds. The Hallwood Group Inc. owns approximately 51 percent of Hallwood Energy's common shares.

Hallwood Energy is engaged in the development, production and sale of oil and gas and in the acquisition, exploration, development and operation of additional oil and gas properties.

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FREMONT, CALIF. (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Koala Technologies Corp. (ASE:KOA), announced Friday the appointment of a new president and chief executive officer, Stephen J. Russo, following the resignation of Douglas W. Kenny from the company.

Kenny, the former president and chief executive officer who joined the company in February 1988, stated that a dispute with the board of directors over the future direction of the company led to his decision to resign.

''After considerable discussion, the board felt that the company's acquisition efforts should be more focused on its primary business, rotational molded plastics,'' commented Russo. ''We understand that given Doug's background in electronics, he would prefer to move the company in that direction.

''Doug's resignation comes after the company has successfully completed its divestiture program and improved the performance of its operating companies under his direction.''

Russo, who will assume responsibility for the day-to-day operations, has served as the chief financial officer for more than four years. During this time, the company has undergone significant changes including acquisitions, dispositions and two reorganizations.

''We at Koala are pleased with the present operations,'' said Russo, ''and are looking forward to the next phase of growth and development.''

Koala Technologies Corp., formerly Petron Corp., is a diversified company. Its primary business, Rotational Molding Inc., manufactures proprietary and custom plastic products for industrial, agricultural, refuse and recreational applications. Additionally, the company develops, manufactures, packages and markets MacVision and KoalaPad, computer digitizing devices for use in graphics and desktop publishing markets.

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TEMPE, ARIZ. (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Amtech Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ASYS) Friday reported a loss of $91,466, or 5 cents per share on revenues of $8,744,877 for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares to earnings of $230,045, or 12 cents per share on revenues of $6,380,758 for the same period ended June 30, 1989.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990 earnings were $141,776, or 7 cents per share, on revenues of $21,438,125.

This compares to earnings of $628,767, or 37 cents per share, on revenues of $15,104,914 for the same period in 1989. The 1989 period included $102,000, or 6 cents per share, tax benefit from a net operating loss carry-forward.

''Results for this quarter were negatively affected by decreased ATMOSCAN sales, the write-off of costs associated with the proposed acquisition of Tystar Corp. and by legal costs associated with our patent infringement lawsuit. Together these charges amounted to $149,000 pre-tax,'' said J.S. Whang, president of Amtech Systems.

''However, the company remains in strong financial condition with no long-term debt, a current ratio that exceeds two to one and shareholders' investment at 64 percent of the company's total capitalization.''

Whang continued, ''Martec Services, which had been operating at a loss prior to our acquisition, contributed $2,665,000 in sales and essentially broke even for the quarter. We expect the improvement of the Martec business to continue and to be profitable in the future.''

Amtech Systems Inc. manufactures the ATMOSCAN, an automated

environmentally controlled process system which improves the yields of semiconductor manufacturers. In addition, through its wholly owned subsidiaries, RTS Inc., Echelon Service Co. and Martec Services, Amtech provides technical temporary employment services to major aerospace, defense, computer and high-technology companies throughout the Southwest, Baltimore/Washington, D.C. and Southern California areas.

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Joseph Diaz Jr., 602/946-6688

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TACOMA, Wash. (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Weyerhaeuser Co. announced Friday that, given current market conditions and dependent on the continuation of those conditions, it expects to resume the repurchase of some of the company's outstanding common shares, in accordance with previously announced authorization to repurchase up to 15 million (after giving effect to the company's April 1988 stock split) of the company's outstanding common shares.

Pursuant to that authorization and after giving effect to that stock split the company has previously repurchased approximately 1,100,000 common shares.

The purchases may be made on the open market or in private transactions. Whether and the extent to which the company will buy shares will depend on developments in the stock market and other factors. Any shares purchased will be used for general corporate purposes.

Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co. will act as exclusive agents for the stock repurchase program.

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TROIS-RIVIERES, QUEBEC (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - GL and V's board of directors has approved the consolidated results for the three-month period ended June 30, 1990.

Net earnings amount to $942,502 (Canadian), or 21 cents per share (Canadian), while sales totalize $258,338 (Canadian), or 6 cents per share (Canadian), and sales of $24.1 million (Canadian) for the same period last

year, though representing increases of 265 percent (net earnings) and 115 percent (sales). Also, cash flow from operations increased from 15 cents (Canadian) to 37 cents (Canadian) per share, a 147 percent growth.

This increase in sales and net earnings results from the activities of both the Iles-de-la-Madeleine thermal power station remodeling (total contract of $125 million (Canadian)) and Ateliers Fabron Inc., a workshop operating since December 1989 (acquisition of mechanical division of Canron Inc.).

These results confirm the tendance of the sales and earnings per share of the fourth quarter of year ended March 31, 1990.

Dividend Declared

At the company's annual meeting on Aug. 15, 1990, Laurent Verreault, president and chief executive officer of Groupe Laperriere and Verreault Inc. informed the shareholders that the board of director had declared a dividend of 10 cents per share. It will be paid Oct. 5, 1990, to all shareholders registered on Sept. 14, 1990.

The board of directors decided to maintain the dividend policy in light of the company's financial situation and results for the year ending March 31 1990.

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Bill W. Saulnier, 819/373-5733

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DALLAS (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Halliburton Co. Friday announced that its Brown & Root Inc. subsidiary has completed the sale of certain marine construction assets to Offshore Pipelines Inc. (OPI) for $77.2 million cash.

Halliburton said it expected to realize a pretax gain of approximately $33 million on the sale.

The assets sold include 23 derrick, pipelay and other marine construction vessels, as well as interest in certain land-based marine construction support facilities located in the Far East and United States. Sale of a marine construction facility in the Middle East to OPI is expected to be completed later this year.

Halliburton and OPI have entered into a consent judgment with the U.S. Department of Justice in connection with obtaining antitrust clearance for the sale from the federal government. Pursuant to the consent judgment,

OPI is required to divest two vessels acquired from Brown & Root.

The assets to be sold do not include Brown & Root's interests in its other marine activities including European Marine Contractors Ltd., Rockwater Offshore Contractors, Highlands Fabricators, fabrication operations in the United States and Indonesia, and its worldwide marine engineering and project management business.

W. Bernard Pieper, chief executive officer of Brown & Root, said the sale of these assets represents a strategic action to intensify Brown & Root's focus on providing a wide range of marine engineering and project management services on a worldwide basis.

Halliburton Co. is one of the world's largest diversified oil field service, engineering and construction companies. Founded in 1919, Halliburton provides oil field service and products, industrial and marine engineering and construction services, and property and casualty insurance services.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - NCA Minerals Corp. (VSE:NCA) has received additional assay results from its three hole drilling program on the San Lazarus property located in Santa Fe County, N.M.

Hole No.	Depth	Gold Ounces per Ton
N-26	380-385	2.72
	385-390	1.83
	390-395	0.131
	395-405	0.144
	405-410	0.130

Hole N-24 encountered the proper ''layer'' within the intrusive but was low in precious metal mineralization. Hole N-25, which was previously announced on August 10th, contained 15 feet averaging 0.666 ounces per ton gold. Hole N-25 was located 87 feet NNW of Hole N-24. Hole N-26 was located 75 feet NE of Hole N-24. All three holes were drilled vertically.

Mineralization occurs surrounding the contact of the light and dark phases of the monzonite intrusive.

Further drilling is planned on the San Lazarus property following

completion of the present drilling program on the Jones Hill property massive sulphide deposit.

This news release has been prepared by A. Donald MacLeod, the president of the company, who accepts responsibility for its contents.

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MIDLAND, TX (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Parkey & Parsley Development Partners L.P. (ASE:PDP) Friday announced earnings for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Net income was $1.9 million, or 37 cents per unit, on oil and gas revenues of $12.3 million. Despite lower second quarter oil and gas prices, net income was 44 percent higher than the first quarter of 1990. Net cash provided by operations was $1.5 million, or 28 cents per unit, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Compared with the second quarter of 1989, oil and gas revenues increased 19 percent despite a 2 percent and 14 percent reduction in oil and gas prices, respectively. Production costs declined 7 percent and depreciation, depletion, amortization (DD&A) decreased 30 percent as a percentage of oil and gas revenues.

Commencing the first quarter of 1991, the partnership, whether in its current structure or as a corporate entity, anticipates retaining its cash flow for the purpose of remaining an active participant in the oil and gas industry in order to take advantage of the current opportunities which exist in the oil and gas industry and thereby maximize unitholder value.

Consequently, the partnership is not expected to pay any significant level of distribution and may discontinue distributions altogether.

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TUSTIN, Calif. (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Care Enterprises Inc. announced results of operations for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Care reported revenues of $57,305,000 for the quarter, a decrease of $11,134,000 from revenues of $68,439,000 reported in the second quarter of

1989.

The revenue decrease was primarily attributable to lower Medicare patient census due to the repeal of the Medicare Catastrophic Coverage Act effective Jan. 1, 1990, and due to fewer nursing facilities operated in the second quarter of 1990 relative to the same period of 1989.

A net loss of $22,000 was reported for the second quarter of 1990, compared with a net loss of $455,000 which had been reported in the second quarter of 1989.

The company owned or leased 70 nursing facilities with 7,097 beds at June 30, 1990, compared with 93 facilities and 9,608 beds at June 30, 1989. Occupancy of nursing facilities operated throughout both six-month periods was 92.7 percent in 1990 and 92.0 percent in 1989.

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STEVENS POINT, Wis. (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - First Financial Corp. (OTC:FFHC) today announced that its major subsidiary, First Financial Bank FSB, has acquired all of the deposits and part of the assets of Security Federal Savings and Loan Association, an Illinois-based institution. Headquartered in Peoria, Security Federal has approximately $180 million in deposits and six offices.

The deposits were acquired for a premium of about $2.6 million or 1.5 percent from the Resolution Trust Corp., the federal agency which has been operating Security Federal. First Financial has agreed to purchase part of Security Federal's assets and has an option to purchase certain other assets related to the six offices.

''We are very excited to welcome the Security Federal customers and employees to First Financial. This addition strengthens our position in Illinois, increasing our Illinois branch network to 16 offices. We now look forward to future acquisitions which will further strengthen this position,'' said John C. Seramur, president and chief executive officer of First Financial.

The acquisition of Security Federal increases First Financial Bank's assets to over $3 billion. The bank now operates 81 offices in Wisconsin and Illinois. The addition of Security Federal's operations complements First Financial's acquisition of the former Illini Federal Savings and Loan Association in January 1990. Based in Fairview Heights, Ill., Illini Federal had deposits of $525 million and operated 10 banking offices in

the Illinois suburban area of metropolitan St. Louis.

A consumer-oriented banking company, First Financial specializes in providing financing for homes and offers a variety of investment alternatives for their customers. They also operate their own credit card division and are heavily involved in home equity and student lending. The company currently employs approximately 1,500 people.

As of June 30, 1990, the holding company, First Financial Corp., reported net worth of $143 million, or 4.82 percent of assets. Mid-year earnings for the corporation were $7.4 million, or $1.28 per share. Of this total net income, core earnings amounted to $7.1 million, or $1.24 per share, a company record. This performance is on track with internal expectations and projections of industry analysts. Analysts predicted the company will continue its strong performance throughout the rest of 1990 and into 1991. Both of the holding company's banking subsidiaries currently exceed all federal regulatory capital requirements.

''First Financial offers Peoria and the Tri-County area a very stable place to bank. We are an exceptionally strong company dedicated to continued strength and stability,'' Seramur concluded.

First Financial Corp. is a holding company for First Financial Bank, FSB and first Financial-Port Savings Bank, a Port Washington, Wis., subsidiary. The corporation has $3.1 billion in assets and operates 85 banking offices in Wisconsin and Illinois. First Financial's common stock is traded in the national over the counter market under the listing symbol FFHC.

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VANCOUVER, BC (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Clearly Canadian Beverage Corporation (NASDAQ Symbol: CLCDF; VSE Symbol: CLV), the registered holder of the trademark ''Clearly CanadianTM'', Thursday announced gains in market share as measured by Nielsen Marketing Research in June.

In the survey of the leading 42 brands in the Sparkling Mineral/Seltzer Beverage category, ''Clearly Canadian Sparkling Mineral Water'' led market growth, achieving new highs in the Company's major markets during the month and year-to-date. Share results for June continue to confirm strong sales gains in both established and recently opened territories.

The Nielsen survey also revealed that ''Clearly Canadian Sparkling Mineral Water'' became the leading brand in this category in Salt Lake City, Utah

and Boise, Idaho during the month of June.

Glen Foreman, Vice President of Sales and Marketing for Clearly Canadian Beverage Corporation, stated, ''These positive results, as monitored by Nielsen Marketing Research, reflect the further strengthening of our brand franchise, as well as the additional trial and repurchase that has been generated from awareness programs. The strong upward trend reflects competitive gains in both the single drink and large pack size. We anticipate that recent listings and distribution agreements will assist in the continued growth in sales and market penetration.''

Clearly Canadian Beverage Corporation produces and markets ''Clearly CanadianTM'', a line of natural and flavored sparkling mineral waters. Through distribution agreements, ''Clearly CanadianTM'' is sold in 30 states, all of Canada, Japan and England.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:USXX) Friday reported net sales of $3,438,027 for the six months ended June 30, an increase of 12 percent from $3,073,753 for the like period in 1989.

Net income for the six month period was $118,376 or 1 cent per share, down from $348,768 or 4 cents per share for six month period of 1989.

Second quarter net sales of $1,751,650 for 1990 were down from $1,924,837, or 9 percent for the corresponding period in 1989. Net income for the second quarter was $25,569 as opposed to $272,427 for last year (1989).

The increased sales over the six month period of 1990 are primarily a result of AMI adding new customers and increased repeat business from existing customers, said Ryan Corley, president of U.S. Technologies Inc.

He added that the decline in net income and net sales for the second quarter was primarily due to expenditures for product research and development and an increase in orders where AMI furnishes the components, and upon which AMI realizes a lower markup.

The company plans to go into production of its recently announced Remote Processing Module (RPM) units to the microcomputer networking market by

Sept. 30. This is a proprietary hardware product which is small, quiet, secure and inexpensive and will operate on many computer network operating systems.

U.S. Technologies Inc.

	Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Sales	$3,438,027	$3,073,753
Net Income	118,376	348,768
Earnings Per Share	1 cent	4 cents

	Three Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Sales	$1,751,650	$1,924,837
Net Income	25,569	272,427
Earnings Per Share	-0-	3 cents

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TORONTO, ONTARIO (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - NHI Nelson Holdings International Ltd. (ASE/ToSE/VcSE:NNH) (''Nelson'' or the ''company'') announced Friday that $5 million (Cdn.) of the company's 6 percent Subordinated Convertible Debentures (the ''Debentures'') due Oct. 31, 1990 have been repurchased for cancellation for approximately $2.5 million (Cdn.).

Nelson expects to report a gain of approximately $2.5 million (Cdn.) related to this transaction in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The funding of this repurchase was provided from the $20 million increase in the company's banking facility with Credit Lyonnais Bank Nederland, announced on Aug. 14, 1990.

The company would also be prepared to consider further discounted repurchases of its Debentures.

NHI Nelson Holdings International Ltd. is the holding company for the Nelson Entertainment Group and for 69-percent-owned Nelson Vending Technology Limited.

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SANTA ANA, CA (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Gish Biomedical Inc. (NASDAQ:GISH), a developer and manufacturer of critical-care and surgical devices announced continued revenue and earnings growth for both the fourth quarter and the year ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for the fourth quarter were $5.1 million up 27 percent from the previous year's $4 million. Sales for the year were $18.3 million up 22 percent from last year's $14.9 million. President Jack Brown attributes this growth to expanded marketing and Gish's innovative product designs and superior service.

Fully taxed net income for the fourth quarter was $575,000, or 18 cents per share, up from $329,000, or 12 cents per share, last year. Fully taxed net income for the year ended June 30, 1990 was $1.5 million, or 52 cents per share, up from the previous year's $983,000, or 35 cents per share.

Jeanne Miller, chief executive officer, attributed the continuing growth in earnings to careful management of resources and to the timely automation of the business functions. She also stated that earnings were better than expected due to a decrease in the effective tax rate and the relief of excess inventory reserves.

Gish Biomedical designs and manufactures specialty devices used in open-heart surgery, oncology, emergency care, obstetrics, opthalmology and other specialized applications within the hospital. Gish distributes its products through an international dealer network who sell directly to the hospital specialists.

Gish maintains a competitive advantage through innovative product design, quality of manufacture and superior customer service.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - RCM TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (NASDAQ Symbol: RCMT, RCMTZ; BSE Symbol: RMT) today announced its Board of Directors has extended the expiration date of the Company's Class C Common Stock Warrants from August 31, 1990 to November 30, 1990. The warrants are exercisable at $8.50 per share of Common Stock.

RCM TECHNOLOGIES, INC. is involved in the development and marketing of

its patented ''System 99'' which is designed to control hazardous emissions from smoke stacks, a major cause of acid rain. RCM also provides professional engineering and technical services for major corporations in aerospace, chemical and industrial manufacturing since 1968.

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ANAHEIM, CA (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Clothestime Inc. (NASDAQ:CTME) today announced results for the second quarter ended July 28, 1990.

Sales for the quarter increased 9.5 percent to $57 million compared to $52 million last year. Net profit for the quarter was $1.5 million, or 11 cents per share, compared with a net profit of $2.3 million, or 16 cents per share, in the same quarter last year.

For the first six months of fiscal 1990, total sales increased 11.3 percent to $103.8 million from $93.2 million registered in the first half of last year. Net profit was $100,000, or 1 cent per share, vs. a net profit of $2.4 million, or 17 cents per share, for the same period last year.

The Clothestime Inc. operates 364 women's apparel stores in 15 states, offering primarily in-season, moderately priced sportswear, dresses and accessories, emphasizing brand names at substantial discount from the more upscale department and specialty stores.

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by
Mallory Factor Inc., New York
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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Paul M. Harris, chairman of the board of Guardian Bancorp (AMEX:GB), announced Friday that the board of directors had authorized the purchase from time to time of up to 300,000 shares of the company's outstanding common stock, no par value, in the open market or in unsolicited private transactions at market prices.

This is in addition to the 75,000 shares authorized for repurchase which was announced on July 30, 1990, of which 64,000 shares have been repurchased through the close of business on Aug. 16, 1990.

Earnings have far exceeded previous years' levels and the shares are currently trading at discount to book value. Accordingly, the company's board of directors believe that such purchases should benefit all of the company's shareholders.

Guardian Bancorp is the holding company for Guardian Bank, which has its head office at 800 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Greyhound Dial Corp. (NYSE:G), Friday declared a quarterly dividend of 35 cents per share on its common stock, a 2 cent increase over the previous quarterly rate of 33 cents per share.

This is a 6 percent increase and raises the indicated annual dividend rate to $1.40 from $1.32. The dividend is payable Oct. 1 to shareholders of record Aug. 31.

The dividend increase indicates that the Greyhound Dial board of directors is pleased with the earnings performance of its continuing operations and has confidence in the future earnings potential of the company.

The board also declared a quarterly dividend of $1.1875 per share on the $4.75 preferred stock, payable Oct. 15 to shareholders of record Sept. 14.

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CINCINNATI (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - DHL Worldwide Express, the world's largest international air express network, Friday put into service their first two Boeing 727-200 series aircraft at a dedication held at their hub located at the Greater Cincinnati International Airport.

In total DHL will add six of the aircraft to their fleet, the largest aircraft purchase in the 21-year history of DHL. The planes are named

the ''City of Cincinnati'' and ''Barb Miller'' after a DHL employee based in Cincinnati.

The first two planes will begin service on Monday carrying shipments between Cincinnati/Chicago and Cincinnati/Detroit/Minneapolis. Both planes replace chartered aircraft that previously flew those routes. DHL will handle 60 million shipments this year with service to 187 countries, more than anyone else in the air express business.

The hub in Cincinnati, the largest of 12 DHL hubs around the world, employs 700 people. Each night 32 planes converge on the hub where shipments are unloaded, sorted, reloaded aboard aircraft and flown to their final destinations to be delivered the next day by DHL couriers.

The majority of activity takes place between approximately midnight and 5 a.m. each Monday through Saturday. The hub handles about 125,000 pieces per night. DHL is the third largest carrier operating at the Greater Cincinnati International Airport.

The additional four jet aircraft are scheduled for delivery by February 1991.

DHL Worldwide Express is comprised of DHL Corp. and DHL International Ltd. two separate, independently owned companies. DHL Corp., the U.S. arm of the network, has headquarters in Redwood City, Calif., and operates an aircraft and sorting hub in Cincinnati.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Cellular Information Systems, Inc. (CALLA/NASDAQ) today announced its financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The losses reported for the quarter are in line with normal start-up costs for cellular companies.

Revenues for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 increased to $3,703,217 from $1,792,605 in the same quarter of 1989. The net loss for the second quarter of 1990 was $6,965,986 or $0.56 per share as compared to a loss of $4,060,419 or $0.41 per share in the second quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues increased to $7,036,258 from $2,828,266 in the prior year. The net loss for the six months was

$13,830,384 or $1.12 per share compared to a loss of $7,145,084 or $0.71 per share in 1989. Weighted average shares outstanding were 12,339,589 and 10,015,190 for the corresponding periods.

Richard Treibick, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, commented, ''We are pleased to see the growth of revenues in our operating cellular systems. In the future, we will continue our corporate strategy of developing clusters of regional cellular systems in key geographic areas.''

Cellular Information Systems is a cellular telecommunications company that owns controlling interests in and operates cellular telephone systems. The Company owns controlling interests in cellular systems serving or licensed to serve nineteen markets, has under contract the right to acquire four more and an option to acquire an additional system. The Company's cellular interests represent approximately 2,500,000 effective pops.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - J.P. Morgan announced Friday morning that its trading and systems are ready to conduct business in New York City, following a breakdown of its emergency power generators at 5 p.m. yesterday.

The emergency power was restored at about 8:30 p.m. and is functioning normally today, so Morgan will not draw on its Delaware contingency facilities, as had been reported.

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Jack Morris, 212/648-9551

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SOUTH WINDSOR, CT (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Gerber Scientific Inc. Friday reported lower first quarter operating results. Consolidated sales for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990 were $66,609,000, a decrease of 11 percent from $74,670,000 for the same period last year. Consolidated net earnings for the three months ended July 31, 1990 were $2,733,000 compared with $7,721,000 in the same period of last year, a decrease of 65 percent. Earnings per share were 12 cents in this year's first quarter compared

with 32 cents last year based on average shares outstanding of 23,642,000 and 24,066,000, respectively.

The company received new orders totalling $58,200,000 in the three months ended July 31, 1990 compared with $66,400,000 for the same period last year, a decrease of 12 percent. Backlog was $62,400,000 at July 31, 1990 compared with $74,600,000 a year earlier.

As previously reported, the company is experiencing softness in order entry in all of its major product areas and expects that this year's second quarter operating results will also be lower than the prior year. A number of addtitive factors have contributed to this downturn, including increased worldwide competition, a sluggish U.S. economy, tighter credit availability to our customers, bankruptcies in the retail industry, lower military spending, and disruption in Eastern Bloc markets.

The company is taking action to bring costs in line with the expected lower levels of business, including employee reductions, consolidation of facilities, and cost reductions in other operating areas. However, without an improvement in economic conditions, the company expects that it will be difficult to significantly improve upon the current level of operating results in the second half of the year.

The company is in a period of transition to newer products which are not expected to have major impact on the short-term consolidated results but which the company believes have excellent long-term market potential.

The company has a long-standing commitment to research and the development of new products and intends to continue its current level of R&D efforts during this period.

The company remains financially strong with high liquidity and a low ratio of debt-to-equity. Cash and short-term cash investments increased $9.4 million during the first quarter to $39.2 million at July 31, 1990, and total debt as a percentage of shareholders' equity was 9.7 percent.

Gerber Scientific Inc. produces high technology factory automation capital equipment for a variety of industries.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Management Technologies Corp. (''IMTECH'') (NASDAQ: IMTKA (Class A Common), IMTKU (Units), IMTKW (Class A Warrants)) Friday announced unaudited results for the quarter

ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 increased 67% to a record $5,076,147 from $3,036,168 in the comparable period one year ago. Operating profit was $163,121 versus an operating loss of $346,351 in last year's first quarter.

Net income was $5,402 or less than $.01 per share versus a loss of $303,972 or $.04 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

Pierce Lowrey, Chief Executive Officer of IMTECH commented, ''IMTECH has achieved profitable operations by further broadening our client base, expanding the contracts of many of our existing customers and incorporating Computer Output INformation System (''COINS''), an optical data storage system, into our product services. Our new clients include Oppenheimer & Co., IBM, Mudge Rose Guthrie Alexander & Ferdon, and Knight-Ridder. Also, during the quarter, we expanded the services we provide to American Express, Municipal Bond Investors Assurance Corp. and Barclays Bank PLC.

IMTECH provides on-site and off-site ''outsourcing'' of a wide range of back office services to firms in the services sector. These services include an optical data storage system -- Computer Output INformation System (COINS), electronic publishing, fulfillment, printing, reproduction and general mail room operations.

IMTECH's information facilities management (''IFM'') capabilities provide companies with the ability to contract out ancillary services to reduce operating costs and improve productivity, thereby allowing management to focus on its primary corporate objectives.

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BOCA RATON, FLA. (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Great Oaks Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:GOFC) announced Friday earnings for six months ended June 30 of $707,000 on revenues of $8,814,000, or earnings per share of 17 cents.

Additionally, Great Oaks Financial Corp. announced that it has filed an S-1 Registration Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the purpose of, among other things, registering shares of common stock to

acquire a division of CD Acquisition Corp., d/b/a Time Premium Co., owned by Harry Gampel, a director and major shareholder of the company.

Gampel will, after the acquisition, continue to be a significant shareholder and director of the company. Under the proposed terms of the acquisition, the company will acquire Time Premium Co. for stock.

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Pinnacle Environmental Inc. (NASDAQ:PENV) Friday reported that revenues were $1,689,635 for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990, a 6 percent decrease from the $1,799,579 posted for the same period in 1989.

Net income for the three month period increased 56 percent to $156,478 from $100,141 in 1989. Earnings per share were 8 cents compared with 7 cents for the first quarter of last year, based on 39 percent more weighted average shares outstanding in 1990.

Higher net income in the first quarter of 1990 compared to the first quarter of 1989 resulted from higher gross margins due to improved performance on fixed price contracts as well as increased interest income from higher cash balances.

The first quarter 1990 revenues represent consistent growth over the preceding quarters, but were slightly less than first quarter 1989 revenues when Pinnacle had unusually high revenues due to the timing of work on large, low margin cost plus contracts.

Pinnacle's balance sheet continues to be strong. Cash and short-term investments at June 30, 1990, were $3,809,609 compared to $144,087 at March 31, 1989. On July 30, 1990, Pinnacle established an unsecured $5 million revolving line of credit with a commercial bank.

Pinnacle Environmental Inc. provides industrial asbestos abatement and insulation services. The company also distributes industrial insulation products and materials, both to customers in connection with providing insulation services and to others, and fabricates specialty steel items. Its principal customers are industrial concerns that own or operate fossil fuel or nuclear power plants, petroleum refineries, chemical processing complexes, mineral smelters, steel mills, and other plants and facilities.

The company services the Intermountain states of Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming. Pinnacle's stock is listed on the

NASDAQ National Market System.

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SHERMAN OAKS, CA (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - A flurry of net absorption of commercial office space across the greater San Fernando Valley has triggered a one-point drop in the vacancy rate to 14 percent, according to a report released Friday by Grubb & Ellis Commercial Real Estate Services (NYSE: GBE).

The study of 256 buildings 20,000 square feet and larger, plus 27 projects under construction, was conducted in the east, west and central San Fernando valleys plus the neighboring Santa Clarita and Conejo valleys.

Aggregate absorption in those five sub-markets climbed to 649,104 square feet in the April-to-June period, nearly 13 times greater than the 53,936 square feet absorbed in the first quarter when the vacancy rate stood at 15 percent.

Last year, absorption in the second quarter amounted to only 182,035 square feet and the vacancy rate was 15 percent. Absorption is defined as the net change in occupied square footage of office space.

In addition to the 649,104 square feet of total absorption, close to 238,000 square feet was pre-leased in the second quarter from an under-construction base of nearly 1.5 million square feet.

Of that base, 773,719 rentable square feet is expected to come on line through the balance of 1990, most of it in the Central Valley, according to the report.

The West Valley, which includes the burgeoning Warner Center section of Woodland Hills, has the largest share of space under construction with 626,018 square feet, followed by the Central Valley with 404,000.

Second-quarter absorption was also heavy in the West Valley, which also includes Canoga Park, Woodland Hills and Tarzana. A total of 253,699 square feet was absorbed as the vacancy rate fell three points to 21 percent. Negative absorption was 3,768 square feet in a sluggish first quarter.

Most of the second-quarter activity came in Warner Gateway II, 67,382 square feet; the Filmmation Co. building, 64,000; and two Voit Co. buildings: Plaza I, 32,439 square feet, and Plaza VI, 57,801 square feet.

Insurance companies accounted for much of the space absorbed in the second quarter in Warner Center and continue to be one of the leading users of office space in that area, according to Sheryl L. Mazirow, senior marketing consultant in the Los Angeles North (Sherman Oaks) office of Grubb & Ellis.

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ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Resorts International Inc. announced Friday that the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Camden, N.J., has confirmed the company's plan of reorganization.

Merv Griffin, chairman of the board of Resorts International said, ''I am extremely pleased that the court has approved our plan. We are now looking forward to becoming a public company and the most entertaining new resort in Atlantic City and the Bahamas.''

David Hanlon, president and chief executive officer, said, ''Thanks to our bondholders and the court, we have moved through the Chapter 11 process very quickly. With our new capital structure, we will be able to focus on improving our operations and financial results.''

The remaining steps in the reorganization process are the receipt of any necessary regulatory approvals from the New Jersey Casino Control Commission and from regulatory officials of the government of the Bahamas. A hearing on the plan is scheduled before the New Jersey Casino Control Commission today at 2:00 p.m.

Assuming no stay of the court's order, the plan will become effective on the eleventh calendar day after entry of the order and receipt of the remaining regulatory approvals. The company expects to make distributions according to the plan ten business days after it becomes effective.

The Series A and B Notes will share the same collateral and will be of equal rank in terms of priority of payments.

Merv Griffin will retain approximately 22 percent of the common stock of RII as recapitalized. As part of the plan, he will make a cash investment in the company on the effective date of the recapitalization in the amount of $15 million, and will invest an additional $11 million on the first anniversary of the recapitalization, the latter obligation to be evidenced by a promissory note to RII secured by a letter of credit.

In addition he will make available up to $2,500,000 for the cash payment to RIFI bondholders referred to above to the extent such releases are delivered on the effective date.

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GREENWICH, CT (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Helm Resources Inc. (ASE:H) Friday announced results for for the second quarter and first half ended June 30.

Revenues for the second quarter were $49,110,000 as compared to $54,551,000. Net income increased to $2,948,000, or 10 cents per share including an extraordinary item of $1,060,000, or 3 cents per share representing the utilization of carry forward losses for the tax purposes.

This compares to net income for the similar period of 1989 of $251,000, or 1 cent per share including a $358,000, or 1 cent per share extraordinary item representing a gain from the repurchase of 11 percent subordinated debentures.

For the six months, revenues totalled $98,110,000 vs. $107,870,000 for the same period last year. Net income was $3,004,000, or 10 cents per share as compared to a loss of $558,000, or 2 cents per share in 1989.

Net income for the 1990 period included an extraordinary item of $1,060,000, or 3 cents per share as compared to a gain of $358,000, or 2 cents per share for the same period last year.

The favorable results of the three and six month periods ended June 30, reflect income from the sale of securities. Helm also stated that the company's net worth has increased to $12,074,000 at June 30.

There was 28,837,000 and 28,761,000 average common shares outstanding for the second quarter and first half, respectively in 1990 and 24,525,000 and 24,473,000 shares outstanding for the corresponding periods in 1989.

Helm Resources Inc. is a diversified company with various business interests, including the worldwide marketing and distribution of thermoplastic resins; the acquisition and marketing of seismic data to oil and gas companies; the development and marketing of optical disk software to the legal and financial services industries; the manufacture and marketing of industrial quality control products and agricultural products.

Its affiliate Cliff Engle is engaged in the design, manufacture and

distribution of sweaters that are officially licensed by the major sports leagues and the National Collegiate Athletic Association, and affiliate Rossignol Tennis is the exclusive U.S. distributor and licensee of Rossignol racquets and racquet sports apparel.

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LAGRANGEVILLE, N.Y. (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Command Security Corp. (NASDAQ:CMMD) announced that it has signed a service contract with Madison Detective Bureau Inc. to provide payroll, billing and accounts receivable servicing for a percentage of gross revenues.

The contract is subject to court approval as part of a plan for Madison to emerge from its Chapter 11 bankruptcy. Assuming such approval is, as expected, obtained in 60 to 90 days, the contract would become effective and Command would commence servicing during Oct. or Nov., 1990.

Madison has gross annual revenues of approximately $7 million. William C. Vassell, president of Command, said, ''Madison Detective Bureau is a premier guard service company serving clients in New York City since 1949, and we are fortunate to have established a working relationship with them.''

Command Security Corp. provides security services through company-owned offices in New York and Connecticut and provides back-office service agreements to independent security companies nationwide. Command is the 33rd largest security company in the United States as reported by the Security Letter Source Book 1990-91.

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VALENCIA, CA (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - 3-D Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:TDSSF) Friday announced that it had entered into the following agreements:

EXCHANGE AGREEMENT: The company's 70% owned subsidiary, 3D Systems Inc. (3D US), the six other shareholders of 3D US (the ''Founders''), Lionheart Capital Corp., a British Columbia company which currently owns

approximately 49% of the company's outstanding securities, and 1726 Holdings Ltd., the parent company of Lionheart and a wholly owned subsidiary of Ciba-Geigy Limited, have entered into an agreement pursuant to which the Founders have been granted the right, subject to regulatory approvals and other conditions, on or subsequent to Oct. 15 to exchange their shares of 3D US common stock for an aggregate of 4,000,001 shares of the company's common stock (the same as the exchange ratio previously agreed upon by the parties).

Following the close of the exchange, 3D US would be a wholly owned subsidiary of the company, and Lionheart and the founders would beneficially own, respectively, approximately 38% and 26% of the then outstanding shares of the company (assuming no other issuance of securities subsequent to the date of this release).

Under the agreement, and prior agreements of the parties, the board of directors of the company will, subject to certain conditions, be comprised of persons acceptable to Lionheart, the Founders and their nominees. In addition, provision is made for certain rights of first refusal between the Founders, on the one hand, and Ciba-Geigy Limited on the other hand. It is a condition of the exchange that Ciba-Geigy enter into a stand-still agreement, under which, without the prior consent of the Founders, it will agree, subject to certain conditions, not to acquire any additional shares of the company, or effect any transaction which could directly or indirectly effect the control of the management, board of directors or policies of the company.

The right of the Founders to effect the exchange can only be exercised subsequent to the later to occur of the receipt of an exemption from prospectus and registration requirements of the Securities Act (British Columbia) from the British Columbia Securities Commission and Oct. 15; the right of the Founders to effect the exchange cannot be exercised subsequent to Dec. 31, 1991. The closing of the exchange is subject to a number of conditions, including obtaining applicable stock exchange approvals, the favorable outcome of a ''fairness hearing'' before the Commission of Corporations of the State of California (which cannot occur prior to Oct. 15) and other regulatory approvals. The closing is not subject to obtaining any private letter ruling, or opinion of counsel, concerning the tax effects of the exchange.

While the possibility exists that one or more of the conditions will not be able to be satisfied, or that the Founders may determine not to proceed to effect the exchange, the company has been advised that it is the current intention of the Founders to effect the exchange at the earliest practicable date.

DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT: 3D US has entered into a new Distribution Agreement with Ciba-Geigy Corp. of Ardsley, N.Y. Under this agreement,

which supersedes a prior agreement under which 3D US had been granted exclusive US distribution rights to all StereoLithography chemicals developed by Ciba-Geigy or its affiliates, the new, five-year agreement grants 3D US, subject to certain quota requirements, world-wide exclusive distribution rights to such chemicals.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT: 3D US has also entered into a new exclusive Photopolymer Research and Development Agreement with Ciba-Geigy Limited, which supersedes a prior agreement on the same subject matter. Under the new agreement, each party has agreed to cooperate with the other to develop chemicals for use with the company's StereoLithography apparatuses. Ciba-Geigy is primarily responsible for the development of the chemicals, and is obligated to bear all of its own costs and expenses related thereto.

However, as part of the new agreement, the parties have agreed that if a change in control (as defined in the new agreement) of the company or 3D US should occur, then at the option of Ciba-Geigy, 3D US will be required to pay Ciba-Geigy an amount equal to Ciba-Geigy's ''deferred research and development costs,'' up to $10 million.

A ''change in control'' is defined to have occured only if a person, or group of related persons, becomes the beneficial owner of in excess of 17.5% of the company's outstanding voting securities (such percentages to be ratably increased in the event of any sale by a Ciba-Geigy affiliate of any of its shares of the company's common shares), unless approved by Ciba-Geigy, or its indirect nominees to the board of directors of the company. ''Deferred Research and Development Costs'' means all costs incurred by Ciba-Geigy during the five full fiscal years immediately preceding the occurence of a change in control, multiplied by two.

Raymond Freed, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the company and 3D US, stated ''I am heartened that the Exchange Agreement appears close to being put to bed; we believe it is in the best interests of all of our shareholders for the company to fully own 3D US, which conducts all of the company's business.

''We are also quite pleased that Ciba-Geigy feels comfortable enough with out international marketing and sales organizations to grant us exclusive right to distribute its StereoLithography chemicals, including those which it develops under our new R&D Agreement,'' Freed concluded.

3-D Systems Inc. is the Canadian parent company of 3D Systems Inc., a California company formed in March, 1986 to develop, manufacture and market equipment which produces plastic models from solid modeling CAD data. The company's StereoLithography process currently utilizes an ultra-violet laser beam which passes over a vat of liquid polymer,

hardening the liquid wherever the beam impinges on the liquid, so that it creates a solid, three-dimensional object which conforms exactly to the stored computer design.

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ALBANY, NY (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of KeyCorp declared a regular quarterly dividend of 34 cents per share on its common stock at the directors' meeting held in Albany, on August 16.

The dividend is payable Oct. 15, to shareholder of record Sept. 28.

The board also declared a quarterly dividend of 96 cents per share on KeyCorp's adjustable rate cumulative preferred stock, Series A. That dividend is payable on Oct. 1, to shareholders of record Sept. 14.

KeyCorp (NYSE:KEY) with assets of $16 billion is a multi-regional bank holding company headquartered in Albany. It has focused its banking expansion activities in the Northeast and Northwest. Pursuing a middle market target, KeyCorp has concentrated its resources in cities and smaller communities of the northern tier of states, thus avoiding overcrowded marketplaces and single industry loan exposure.

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SIGNAL HILL, CALIF. (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwest Diversified (SWD), Signal Hill's largest property owner, has delivered to the city of Signal Hill an offer to purchase a parcel of approximately five acres of land at the corner of Willow and Cherry for $5,499,450, or $25 per square foot.

The five acres, together with SWD's adjacent 10 acres, comprises the Town Center planning area of Signal Hill. The terms of the offer, which expires on September 5, specify a lump-sum cash payment to the city at the close of escrow.

According to Michael R. Engle, SWD senior vice president, the offer almost triples the offer made by The Price Club for the same parcel of land.

Over the last several months, the city had been negotiating with The Price Club, following The Price Club's threatened move to Long Beach's new 'Power Center'; the city had sought to retain The Price Club and its annual sales-tax contribution of nearly $1 million to the city's general fund by negotiating an attractive development deal for the city's prime commercial corner.

The Price Club had offered $9 per square foot, or an aggregate price of $1.98 million -- or $3.5 million lower than SWD's offer -- for the five acres; that offer included complex financing terms that did not provide lump-sum cash payment to the city.

The SWD offer follows a period of intense negotiation among the city, SWD and The Price Club during which SWD originally agreed to sell its 10-acre adjacent property to the city for use by The Price Club; a sales and planning agreement for that transaction was worked out with the city, signed by SWD and delivered to the city on August 15. The city council then rejected the offer on the same day.

''We hope the city will consider our offer seriously in their role as the fiduciary representatives of the citizens,'' Engle said. ''For our part, we have always believed that the Town Center concept, with the city's first supermarket, is the best option for the people of Signal Hill,'' he said.

SWD is an award-winning master developer of residential projects and planned communities in California and Arizona. It operates in financial partnership with the Toronto-based Coscan Development Corp. and its major shareholder, Carena Bancorp Inc., two of Canada's major publicly held development companies.

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BAYONNE, NJ (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Pomrapo Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:PBCI) the parent holding company for Pamrapo Savings Bank, S.L.A., Friday announced net income of $603,747 and $1,373,945 for the three months and six months, respectively, ending June 30, 1990.

The corresponding net income for the same periods ending June 30, 1989 were $674,606 and $1,322,862, respectively. Net earnings per share for the

six months ending June 30, 1990 were 80 cents.

On June 29, the corporation, through its wholly owned subsidiary the Bank, acquired certain assets and assumed certain liabilities of Elysian Federal Savings Bank of Hoboken, N.J., through a competitive bidding process from the Resolution Trust Corp. in the amount of $109.4 million. The bank acquired two branch offices in Hoboken and one in Ft. Lee, N.J.

As of June 30 the bank had total assets of $375,130,242, deposits of $322,914,176, and stockholders' equity of $37,841,726.

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MILWAUKEE (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Badger Meter Inc. (AMEX:BMI) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of l5.125 cents per share to shareholders of Common stock of record Aug. 31, 1990, payable Sept. 14, 1990.

The directors also voted a dividend of l3.75 cents per share to shareholders of Class B Common stock of record Aug. 31, l990, payable Sept. 14, l990. Class B Common stock is not publicly traded.

These are the same amounts voted in the previous quarter.

Badger Meter is a leading marketer and manufacturer of products using flow measurement and control technology serving the industrial and utility markets worldwide.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC) announced Friday that the company has received numerous inquiries about its intention and ability to repay outstanding indebtedness upon the completion of the proposed sale of The Home Insurance Co. to Vik Brothers International.

It is anticipated that the company's indebtedness at closing will be comprised of approximately $400 million of senior bank financing, $102 million of 11-3/4 percent Sinking Fund Debentures, $150 million of 14-7/8 percent Senior Subordinated Notes due 1998.

The $76 million of 14-7/8 percent Home Group Funding Corp. Senior Notes due 1999 which are guaranteed on a subordinated basis by AmBase Corp. are also included.

The bank debt will be repaid at closing. This debt has been secured with the common stock of The Home Insurance Co., the common stock of Carteret Bancorp and approximately $23 million face value of the 11-3/4 percent Sinking Fund Debentures held by AmBase Corp.

The 11-3/4 percent Sinking Fund Debentures have been proratably secured, along with the bank group, with the common stock of The Home Insurance Co. as required by the indenture.

It is the intent of the company to repay this obligation upon the completion of the proposed sale. All securities are held by the Chase Manhattan Bank as collateral agent for the benefit of the banks and the 11-3/4 percent Sinking Fund Debentures.

Regarding the 14-7/8 percent Senior Subordinated Notes, the company must offer at least par value upon the sale of The Home Insurance Co.

Vik Brothers International intends to assume the obligations of the 14-7/8 percent Senior Debentures of Home Group Funding Corp. The $2.95 Series A, Cumulative Preferred Stock of The Home Insurance Co. will remain an outstanding security of that company after the sale is consummated.

AmBase anticipates that the proceeds from the sale of The Home will be supplemented by proceeds from the sales of or borrowings against other assets to permit repayment of all the aforementioned indebtedness of AmBase.

AmBase Corp. is an insurance, banking and investment services organization. Its principal subsidiaries include The Home Insurance Co., US International Re, Commonwealth Insurance Co., Carteret Bancorp, Gruntal Financial Corp. and Sterling Forest Corp.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Rodman & Renshaw Capital Group Inc. (NYSE:RR), Chicago-based financial services firm, Friday reported revenues of $71,882,000 for the year ended June 30, or a 20 percent increase over the $59,733,000 posted a year ago.

Net profit for the year was $1,752,000, compared with a loss of $3,429,000

for the same period last year. Earnings per share for the year were 42 cents vs. a loss of 83 cents for fiscal 1989.

''The Rodman & Renshaw performance for the year reflected the benefits of the strategic plan that we designed a year ago, and are now implementing '' said Kurt B. Karmin, chairman.

''This program is designed to expand several key financial service operations that have a significant impact on both the revenues and earnings of the company. The addition of these new profit-generating services, coupled with our on-going cost reduction programs, are having the anticipated positive impact on our bottom line.''

Fourth quarter revenues were reported at $17,816,000 compared to $17,836,000 for the comparable period last year. Net income for the quarter was $246,000, or 6 cents per share, compared to a loss of $914,000 or 22 cents per share for last year's fourth quarter.

Karmin said that Rodman & Renshaw's commitment to expand internationally was evidenced by the recent announcement of a joint venture with Creditanstalt Bankverein of Vienna, Austria, for the purpose of conducting financial and commodities futures brokerage services in Austria, the USSR and other major Eastern and Central European countries.

Rodman & Renshaw Capital Group Inc. is the parent company of Rodman & Renshaw Inc., a full service securities broker/dealer and commodities futures commission merchant with major offices in Chicago, New York, Kansas City and London. The firm has memberships on the New York Stock Exchange, the Chicago Board of Trade, and othe principal stock and commodity exchanges.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - A new partnership between National Polystyrene Recycling Co. (NPRC - Lincolnshire, Ill.) and TALCO Recycling Inc. (Corona, Calif.) will bring to Southern California the largest recycling facility for used foam and rigid polystyrene items in the United States.

The facility, located in Corona, Calif. will be able to process 13 million pounds of used polystyrene food service and non-food packaging products, such as foam containers, drink cups, plates, utensils, and packaging peanuts, every year. The facility is expected to be operational in October 1990.

NPRC will own the plant, while TALCO Recycling Inc. will operate it. THe new facility will be called TALCO Recycling Inc., an NPRC Facility. An 800 number has been established for anyone interested in developing polystyrene collection programs, 800/696-6965.

NPRC owns Plastics Again (Leominster, Mass.), the nation's first large-scale reprocessor of used polystyrene food service items. Plastics Again currently recycles polystyrene from hundreds of schools, restaurants, hospitals and businesses.

While Plastics Again can recycle up to three million pounds of used polystyrene per year, TALCO Recycling Inc., an NPRC Facility, will have a capacity of over 13 million pounds annually.

NPRC recycling plants are different from other plants around the nation in that NPRC facilities can wash food materials from used polystyrene. Users will not need to wash the material before sending it to be recycled.

The NPRC also plans to open at least three other centers similar to the Corona facility by the end of 1990. These recycling centers will be located in the metropolitan areas of San Francisco, Chicago and Philadelphia.

The plans for the Corona facility were announced today at Wadsworth Elementary School, a Los Angeles Unified School District (LA USD) school, where children have been recycling foam lunch trays for six months. Under a program developed by Amoco Foam Products and LA USD, the school district takes the used trays to TALCO Plastics in Whittier, where they are washed, ground and reprocessed into a recycled resin.

Through the program, TALCO Plastics has reclaimed over 1.5 million school lunch trays from 17 LA USD schools. The new resin is sold to manufacturers of office supplies, waste baskets and permanent food trays, to name a few. The program will be turned over to TALCO Recycling Inc., an NPRC Facility, when the Corona facility is completed.

TALCO Recycling Inc. is a new company affiliated with Talco Plastics Inc. of Whittier, Calif. The new company represents Talco Plastic Inc.'s first venture into volume processing of post-consumer plastic materials. Eventually, TALCO Recycling Inc. expects to recycle a number of post-consumer plastics.

Talco Plastics Inc. has facilities in both California and Texas, with more than one hundred employees and sales representation in every western state. Talco Plastics Inc. maintains one of the largest inventories of recycled plastics in the West, with over fifty types of resin.

The National Polystyrene Recycling Co. was launched in June 1989, and is the nation's first network of polystyrene foam recycling centers. The company's goal of facilitating the recycling of 250 million pounds of polystyrene annually by 1995 (25 percent of the polystyrene used in food service and other packaging applications) is consistent with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's solid waste reduction plan.

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PONCE, PUERTO RICO (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B. (NASDAQ:PFBS) announced Friday that it had engaged Alex. Brown & Sons Inc. as its financial advisor to assist the board of directors in exploring and evaluating the various options available to Ponce Federal to maximize shareholder value, including the possible sale of the company.

Ponce Federal has recently been contacted by another institution concerning a possible acquisition of Ponce Federal. While the board of directors has not yet determined whether a sale of the company is in the best interests of shareholders, the board has decided to pursue discussions with interested parties. No assurance can be given that such discussions will result in an offer being made or that the board will determine that any such offer, if received, is in the best interests of shareholders.

Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B., the third largest thrift institution in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, is a federally chartered, full-service financial institution headquartered in the southern coastal city of Ponce, Puerto Rico.

As of June 30, the bank had both tangible and core capital ratios equal to 4.62 percent of adjusted total assets and a risk-based capital ratio equal to 8.10 percent of risk-weighted assets, all of which are in excess of the minimum of OTS requirements of 1.5 percent and 3 percent of adjusted total assets and 6.4 percent of risk-weighted assets, respectively. The bank maintains an Island-wide network of 26 branches and executive offices in Ponce as well as Hato Rey, the financial center of metropolitan San Juan.

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DOVER, NH (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Seacoast Savings Bank (NASDAQ:SSBA), a $105 million savings bank headquartered in Dover, N.H., reported a loss for the fourth quarter ending June 30, 1990 of $2.2 million, or $1.84 per share, which compares to a loss of $299,000, or 25 cents per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

For the year ended June 30, 1990, the bank reported a loss of $3.9 million or $3.24 per share, which compares to a profit of $140,000, or 12 cents per share, for the year ended June 30, 1989. The fourth quarter loss resulted primarily from a provision to loan loss reserves of $2.2 million and a write down of the value of other real estate owned of $200,000.

Charge offs during the quarter were approximately $1.5 million. As of June 30, 1990, loan loss reserves totalled $2.2 million, or 2.6 percent of total loans outstanding and 30 percent of non-performing loans. The fourth quarter provisions were made as part of the bank's ongoing internal review of its loan portfolio and other real estate owned and reflect the current level and composition of non-performing assets.

At June 30, 1990, non-performing loans amounted to $7.2 million, or 6.8 percent of total assets. Other real estate owned totalled $3.3 million, or 3.2 percent of total assets. At March 31, 1990, non-performing loans totalled $5.1 million, or 4.7 percent of assets. The bank's equity to assets ratio, net of reserves, was 10.7 percent at June 30, 1990.

Seacoast Savings Bank is an FDIC-insured financial institution headquartered in Dover, N.H.

Summary Information

	Fourth Quarter Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net loss	$(2,175,000)	$(299,000)
Loss per share	$(1.84)	$(.25)

	Year Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net income (loss)	$(3,866,000)	$ 140,000
Earnings (loss) per share	$(3.24)	$0.12
	at 6/30/90	6/30/89
Total assets	$104,804,000	$108,842,000
Total loans, net	81,882,000	93,416,000
Total deposits	75,542,000	75,297,000
Outstanding shares	1,183,000	1,216,700

Book value per share	$9.44	$12.58

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ATLANTIC CITY, NJ (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Resorts International Inc. announced Friday that the New Jersey Casino Control Commission has approved the company's plan of reorganization.

Earlier today, Resorts announced that the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Camden, N.J. had confirmed the plan.

CONTACT: Sawyer/Miller Group, New York
Lynn Guggenheimer, 212/303-2520

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WILLOUGHBY, OH (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Figgie International Inc. has announced the appointment of Richard A. Solon as president of Akron Packaging Machinery, an Akron, Ohio-based manufacturer of case packers and uncasers for the packaging industry, electronic bottle inspectors for the beverage industry, and conveyors for the dairy industry.

Mr. Solon currently is president of Figgie International's Consolidated Packaging Machinery (CPM) division, Alden, New York. CPM manufactures high-speed automatic cappers for glass, plastic and metal containers. Mr. Solon retains responsibility for CPM in addition to his new duties at Akron Packaging. He reports directly to Chairman Harry E. Figgie, Jr.

Mr. Solon joined Figgie International's Management Training Program in 1975. During his four years in the program, Mr. Solon was responsible for numerous projects in the areas of manufacturing, marketing, financing, purchasing and production/inventory control.

He was appointed to the Company's Figgie Properties subsidiary in 1980, serving as project manager for the construction of the American LaFrance fire apparatus manufacturing facility. In 1981 he joined American LaFrance as fabrication superintendent, advancing to director of materials and purchasing and to director of materials/purchasing/contract operations.

From 1985 to 1987 Mr. Solon was director of softgoods manufacturing for Figgie International's Rawlings Sporting Goods division in St. Louis.

In 1988 Mr. Solon was named vice president of manufacturing for Scott

Aviation, a Figgie International company based in Lancaster, New York. Scott is a leading maker of oxygen systems for aviation, government and the fire-fighting industry. Mr. Solon was promoted to president of CPM in 1989.

Mr Solon received his bachelor's degree in marketing from Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, in 1975.

Figgie International is a diversified Fortune 500 company serving consumer industrial, technical and service markets worldwide. Sales in 1989 were $1.3 billion.

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INDEPENDENCE, OHIO (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - BT Energy Corp. (formerly known as Strata)(the ''company'') announced revenues and net income for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990, as follows:

	Three Months Ended June 30 (in 000's)		Six Months Ended June 30 (in 000's)	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Oil & Gas Revenues	685	243	963	474
Inc. from operations	185	318	422	543
Net revenues	870	561	1,385	1,017
Net income (loss)	203	(130)	143	(252)
Average shares	20,215	19,938		
Net income per share	1 cent	(1 cent)	1 cent	(1 cent)

The company reported an increase in oil and gas revenues in excess of 50 percent for the three months ended June 30, 1990, over a corresponding period in 1989. The increase was attributable in large measure to revenues accrued by the company as a result of the acquisition of interests in approximately 400 producing oil and gas properties from Fuel Resources Inc., a subsidiary of Brooklyn Union Gas in New York.

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ELMSFORD, N.Y. (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Clinical Technologies Associates Inc. (''CTA'')(NASDAQ:CTAI & CTAIW) Friday announced that The Upjohn Co. has advised that they are now satisfied that Clinical Technologies will be able to meet its contractual obligations in regard to its contract.

Upjohn is pleased that the concerns regarding continuity of managerial and scientific leadership at CTA are being adequately addressed and will resume payments due under the contract immediately. They look forward to harmonious and fruitful collaboration.

Clinical Technologies Associates further announced that a decision handed down by the N.Y. State Supreme Court validated the action of a majority of its board of directors taken in effecting the structural reorganization voted on at its July 30 meeting. The decision leaves its new president and CEO, Michael M. Goldberg, M.D., in charge of the company.

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BOCA RATON, FL (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The stockholders of Boca Raton Capital Corp. (NASDAQ:BOCA) at the company's annual stockholders meeting held Aug. 8, 1990, in West Palm, Beach, Fla., re-elected the board of directors of the company.

The stockholders also voted to increase the number of shares in the company's stock option plan. Additionally they did not approve a motion to rescind the company's previously approved one-for-five reverse stock split, which will take effect on or before Aug. 31, 1990, and they ratified the appointment of Coopers & Lybrand as the company's independent auditors.

Boca Raton Capital Corp. is a closed end investment company regulated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940. The shares of Boca Raton Capital Corp. are quoted in the NASDAQ market under the stock symbol ''BOCA.''

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CARLSTADT, N.J. (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Cliff-Engle Ltd. (BSE:CEL.B) Friday announced financial results for the year ended April 30, 1990.

Sales totaled $4,318,890 vs. $4,206,510 in 1989. Net loss for the period was $1,905,004 or 63 cents per share as compared to a loss of $1,198,366 or 41 cents per share for the corresponding period last year. There were 3,025,230 weighted average shares outstanding in 1990 vs. 2,889,750 in 1989.

The company stated that ''Despite the operating loss for fiscal 1990, we have reason to be encouraged that the first quarter of fiscal 1991 will show substantial improvements in both sales and operating performance.''

Cliff-Engle Ltd. designs, manufactures and markets sweaters that are officially licensed by the National Football League, Major League Baseball National Basketball Association, the National Hockey League and more than 75 colleges and universities throughout the country.

Cliff-Engle Ltd.
Financial Highlights
Year Ended

	4/30/90	4/30/89
Net sales	$ 4,318,890	$ 4,206,510
Net (loss)	$ (1,905,004)	$ (1,198,366)
Net (loss) per share	$ (.63)	$ (.41)
Average number of shares outstanding	3,025,230	2,889,750

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HIALEAH, FL (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Medicore Inc. (AMEX:MDK) announced revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $4,383,697 compared to $6,004,352 for the second quarter 1989.

Revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990 totalled $9,838,678 compared to $11,967,603 for the like period 1989.

According to a company spokesman, ''The primary reason for drop in revenues was the sale, in October of 1989, for four of the company's hemodialysis centers.''

Operations reflected a net loss of ($78,914) or (2 cents) per share and ($343,190) or (8 cents) per share for the three months ended and six months ended June 30 compared to net income of $213,829 or 5 cents per share and $464,747 or 11 cents per share for the like periods of the

preceding year.

The company is engaged in the manufacture and distribution of medical supplies, the operation of a kidney dialysis center and through its 82 percent owned subsidiary, Techdyne Inc. the manufacture and assembly of electro-mechanical, electronic, and plastic injected molded components for the computer, telecommunications, appliance and office equipment industries.

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AUSTIN, Texas (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Citizens Inc. (NASDAQ:CINNA), a life insurance holding company based in Austin, reported net income of $358,190 or 2 cents per share for the second quarter ended June 30, compared to a loss of $439,091 or 3 cents per share for the similar quarter last year.

Total revenues were $4,919,898, vs. $3,937,647 for the three month period in 1989.

For the six months period of this year, net earnings were $716,483 or 4 cents per share compared to a loss of $1,082,918 or 7 cents per share for the same period in 1989. Earnings before extraordinary items were $410,473 or 2 cents per share as opposed to a loss in 1989 of $1,082,918 or 7 cents per share. The extraordinary item relates to the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards to offset Federal Income Tax expense.

Total revenues for the six months rose 21.7% to 8,772,000 from $7,210,075 last year. This increase can be attributed to a 27.7% growth in premium income which was $7,212,632 for this year's six month period.

Stockholders' Equity at June 30, was $7,205,836, representing a 10.6% increase since Dec. 31, 1989. Total assets grew to $56,395,026 from $54,431,278 in Dec. 31, 1989.

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HIALEAH, FL (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Techdyne Inc. (NASDAQ:TCDN) announced revenues for the second quarter of 1990 of $3,837,350 compared to $4,612,420 for the second quarter 1989.

Revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990 totalled $8,874,356 compared to $9,068,844 for the like period 1989.

The company showed a net loss of ($96,259) or (5 cents) per share for the second quarter and a loss of ($81,256) or (4 cents) per share for the six months ended June 30, 1990, compared to net income of $305,690 or 17 cents per share and $521,589 or 29 cents per share for the like periods in 1989.

Techdyne Inc. is engaged in the manufacture and assembly of electro-mechanical, electronic and plastic injected molded components for the computer, telecommunications, appliance and office equipment industries.

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#90229b0779 08/17/1990 ~Business Wire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - As they indicated they would do in court hearings earlier this summer, Federated Department Stores, Inc. and Allied Stores Corporation today asked the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for an extension of the period available exclusively to them for submission of a Chapter 11 plan of reorganization.

This is the companies' second request for an extension of the exclusivity period. If granted by the court, the exclusivity period for filing a plan of reorganization would be extended to February 28, 1991. An extension through the end of February will allow Federated and Allied to concentrate on operations through the all-important Christmas retail season.

Extensions of the exclusivity period are not unusual in large Chapter 11 cases. The companies' first extension was granted by the court on May 10, set to expire on September 12. At that time, and again at a court hearing on June 28, Federated and Allied attorneys told the court that the companies were likely to seek an extension beyond the September 12 date, due to the scope and complexity of the companies' reorganization effort. A hearing on the companies' request for an extension is set for September 11.

The companies' request is not expected to alter the timing of their Business Plans, which currently are being developed for presentation to Federated and Allied creditors in October. Federated and Allied filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code on January 15, 1990.

CONTACT: Federated Department Stores Inc., Cincinnati, Carol Sanger, (513) 579-7764 (Media) or Catharine Wright, (513) 579-7780 (Investor).

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TONTITOWN, AR (AUG. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - P.A.M. Transportation Services Inc. (NASDAQ: PTSI) Friday reported operating results for the second quarter and the six months ended June 30, 1990.

Operating revenues for the quarter were $13,917,071 compared to $19,699,796 for the second quarter of 1989. Operating losses and operating ratio for the quarter were $832,318 and 106.0 percent in 1990 compared to an operating income of $377,047 and an operating ratio of 98.1 percent for the 1989 period. The net loss was $1,491,582 or 31 cents per share compared to a net loss of $369,411 or eight cents per share for last year's second quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, P.A.M. reported operating revenues of $28,354,317 compared to $38,288,698 for the same period last year. Operating loss and operating ratio for the year were $2,150,146 and 107.6 percent respectively compared to an operating loss of $222,140 and an operating ratio of 100.6 percent for the 1989 period. The company's net loss was $3,520,953 or 72 cents per share compared to a net loss $1,801,576 or 37 cents per share for 1989.

P.A.M. TRANSPORTATION SERVICES INC. EARNINGS REPORT

	Quarter Ended		Six Months	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Operating revenues	$13,917,071	$19,699,796	$28,354,317	$38,288,698
Operating expenses	14,749,389	19,322,749	30,504,463	38,510,838
Operating income (loss)	(832,318)	377,047	(2,150,146)	(222,140)
Operating ratio	106.0 pct.	98.1 pct.	107.6 pct.	100.6 pct.
Interest expense	(659,264)	(746,458)	(1,370,807)	(1,579,436)
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(1,491,582)	(369,411)	(3,520,953)	(1,801,576)
Income tax provision (benefit)	0	0	0	0
Net earnings (loss)	$(1,491,582)	$ (369,411)	$(3,520,953)	$(1,801,576)
Net earnings (loss) per share	(31 cents)	(8 cents)	(72 cents)	(37 cents)
Common shares outstanding	4,867,857	4,867,857	4,867,857	4,867,857

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Wetjet International Ltd. (TICKER: WJET) lost $117,448, or $0.01 per share on revenues of $885,317 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $339,148 (including an extraordinary loss of $10,200), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $821,288 for the same period in 1989.

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#90229c0003 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows RHNB Corp. (TICKER: RHNB) earned $469,345, or $0.20 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $416,226, or $0.18 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Home Federal Savings Bank of Alabama (TICKER: HFAL) reporting a net income of $918,356, or $2.15 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $58,370 for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows City Investing Co. Liquidating Trust (TICKER: CNVL) lost $4.31 million, or $0.11 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $569,000, or $0.02 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hanger Orthopedic Group (TICKER: HOGG) lost $485,589, or $0.05 per share,

on revenues of $4.67 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $311,047, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $2.58 million for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Gexa Gold Corp. (TICKER: GEXA) lost $177,421, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.30 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $153,588, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $15,559 for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows CEL-SCI Corp. (TICKER: CELI) lost $144,209, at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $187,288, or $0.01 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

CEL-SCI Corp. has had no revenues from operations since its inception in March, 1983.

Funding requirements have been met by public and private sale of its common stock and short-term debt financing.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Raymond Corp. (TICKER: RAYM) earned $884,968, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $36.78 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $447,751, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $42.92 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90229c0011 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Financial Federal Savings Bank reporting $189,457, or $0.39 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $215,279, or $0.45 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90229c0013 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Progroup Inc. (TICKER: PRGR) earned $295,000, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $10.92 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $814,000, or $0.33 per share, on revenues of $10.32 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90229c0014 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Danielson Federal Savings and Loan Association (TICKER: DNFD) earned $172,306 (including an extraordinary gain of $68,129), or $0.43 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $114,991 (including an extraordinary gain of $39,692), or $0.29 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90229c0015 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows New Hampshire Thrift Bancshares Inc. (TICKER: NHTB) lost $860,643, or $0.40 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $357,989, or $0.16 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 446

#90229c0016 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pioneer Financial Corp. (TICKER: PION) earned $23,315, or $0.01 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $13.29 million, or $4.30 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90229c0017 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Miramar Resources Inc. (TICKER: MIRA) earned $5,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $248,166 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $15,515, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $268,179 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 501

#90229c0018 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Falcon Oil & Gas Co. Inc. (TICKER: FLOG) earned $116,567, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $729,910 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $168,806, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $859,773 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 471

#90229c0019 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Noble Roman's Inc. (TICKER: NROM) earned $111,973, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $2.29 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $84,842, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $1.52 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 474

#90229c0021 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Taunton Technologies Inc. (TICKER: TTEK) lost $1.20 million, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $126,280 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $920,074, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $312,499 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 478

#90229c0022 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows DFSoutheastern Inc. (TICKER: DFSE) earned $3.33 million, or $0.72 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.82 million, or $0.39 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 429

#90229c0023 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Scientific Imaging Instruments Inc. (TICKER: SIMI) lost $517,000, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $117,122 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $133,061, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $126,174 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 476

#90229c0025 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:13 that trade in Pioneer Financial Corp (NASDAQ: PION) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 5 3/4. The company is located in Chester, VA.

-30- 347

#90229c0026 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mexican Patio Cafes (TICKER: MXPC) reporting a net loss of $75,439, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $36,066 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

No figures are given for the corresponding period in 1989 because Mexican Patio Cafes was in the development stage and was not operating.

-30- 507

#90229c0027 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Atlantic American Corp. (TICKER: AAME) earned $397,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $105,000), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $19.11 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $3.82 million, or $0.40 per share, on revenues of $20.78 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 545

#90229c0028 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Michigan National Corp. (TICKER: MNCO) earning $16.99 million, or $1.15 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $23.04 million, or $1.49 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 448
#90229c0030 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mr. Rooter Corp. (TICKER: ROOT) earned $105,989, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $663,613 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $73,349, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $226,150 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 455
#90229c0031 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Multibank Financial Corp. (TICKER: MLTF) reporting a loss of $11.91 million, or $1.30 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $7.37 million, or $0.79 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 464
#90229c0032 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Consolidated Imaging (TICKER: CIMG) earned $98,901, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.18 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $257,917, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $1.33 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 473
#90229c0033 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Vista Organization Partnership (TICKER: TVOP) lost $227,302, or $0.02 per depositary unit of limited partnership interest on revenues of $495,039 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $534,179, or $0.04 per depositary unit of limited partnership interest, on revenues of $3.35 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 581
#90229c0034 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lifeline Systems Inc. (TICKER: LIFE) earned $869,000, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $8.11 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $125,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $6.13 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 485

#90229c0035 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Group 1 Software (TICKER: THEG) earned $747,358, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $4.92 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $690,588, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $4.73 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 478

#90229c0036 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Biotech Research Laboratories (TICKER: BTRL) reporting a net loss of $265,958, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $3.91 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $655,892 (including an extraordinary credit of $75,068), or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $4.72 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 573

#90229c0038 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Star States Corp. (TICKER: STSS) lost $26.57 million, or $5.61 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $610,000, or $0.13 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 421

#90229c0039 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 27, 1990, NSC Service Group Inc. (TICKER: NSCC) sold all of the outstanding stock of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Volume Products Sales and Service Inc., to J.M.G. Marketing Group.

Volume Products is engaged in the business of distributing throughout southeast and central Florida dispensers for yogurt and soft ice cream.

-30- 530

#90229c0040 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Fountain Pharmaceuticals Inc. (TICKER: FPHI) lost $419,023, or $0.09 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $73,315, or $0.03 per share, on no revenues for the period from March 23, 1989 (inception) through June 30, 1990.

Fountain Pharmaceuticals Inc. is a development stage firm which was recently organized to develop and commercialize proprietary compound encapsulation technologies.

To date, Fountain Pharmaceuticals Inc.'s technologies and potential products are in various stages of development.

Fountain Pharmaceuticals Inc.'s executive office is located at 1765 Commerce Ave. North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33716 and its telephone number is (815) 576-2353.

-30- 960

#90229c0041 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Agristar Inc. (TICKER: agrs) lost $461,803, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $102,815 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Results for the same period in 1989 are not available as Agristar only recently became a publicly held company.

-30- 446

#90229c0042 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Crown Brands Inc. (TICKER: CRON) lost $715,887, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $3.38 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $285,571, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $3.36 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 463

#90229c0043 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Vicon Fiber Optics Corp. (TICKER: VFOX) lost $65,905, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $304,854 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $447,696 (incluing a loss of 4380,743 from discontinued operations), or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $389,185 for

the same period in 1989.

-30- 526
#90229c0044 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 15:

Gerrity Oil & Gas Corp.
Mills-Jennings Co. (JKPT)

-30- 276
#90229c0046 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:25 that trade in Pioneer Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: PION) has been resumed. The first sale was 5 3/4; unchanged from the halt and from the previous close.

-30- 354
#90229c0047 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:36 that trade in Walshire Assurance Co.(NASDAQ: WALS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 8. The company is located in York, PA.

-30- 339
#90229c0048 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Markitstar Inc. (TICKER: MARK) earned $25,284 (including an extraordinary gain of $3,917), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.96 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $488,615 (including a loss from discontinued operations of $363,971), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.45 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 583
#90229c0049 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Eastover Corp. (TICKER: EAST) earned $210,000, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $403,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $2.05 million (including a gain of $2.22 million from investments), or $1.80 per share, on revenues of $679,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 522
#90229c0050 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Stratford American Corp. (TICKER: STRC) lost $1.11 million, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.02 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.10 million, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $983,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 486
#90229c0051 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Vanderbilt Gold Corp. (TICKER: VAGO) reporting a loss of $729,000, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $744,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $119,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.01 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 482
#90229c0052 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bristol Research Corp. (TICKER: BRCC) lost $676,025, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $196,278 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $1.58 million, or $0.42 per share, on revenues of $811,806 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 485
#90229c0054 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Valley Capital Corp. (TICKER: VCCN) earned $8.94 million, or $0.83 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $8.63 million, or $0.77 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 440
#90229c0055 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Nuclear Support Services (TICKER: NSSI) earned $105,862, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $16.55 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $662,070, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $17.25 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 495

#90229c0056 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Trustco Bank (TICKER: TRST) earned $2.61 million, or $0.87 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $2.52 million, or $0.84 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 425

#90229c0057 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Lenawee County (TICKER: LFSA) earned $644,166, or $0.39 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $625,387, or $0.38 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 479

#90229c0058 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Delaware Otsego Corp. (TICKER: DOCP) reporting earnings of $252,000, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $7.41 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $423,000, or $0.32 per share, on revenues of $27.10 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 500

#90229c0059 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Capital Reserve Corp.(TICKER: CPLRF) earned $10,262, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $572,475 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $14,966, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $583,226 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 484

#90229c0060 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Chester County Bancshares (TICKER: CCBA) earned $110,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $51,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 386

#90229c0062 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Commercial Programming Unlimited (TICKER: CPUI) reporting losses of $135,797, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $441,355 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $194,935, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $959,117 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 517

#90229c0063 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bio-Technology General Corp. (TICKER: BTGC) lost $1.55 million, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $957,951 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $2.89 million, or $0.49 per share, on revenues of $862,559 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 489

#90229c0064 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Central Bancshares of the South Inc. (TICKER: CBSS) earned $12.82 million, or $0.61 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $11.08 million, or $0.51 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 466

#90229c0065 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY BAUPOST L P 1985 E-1 OWNS 149,600 SHARES (3.50%) OF RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE INVESTMENTS INC (TICKER: RMI) OF FT WORTH, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 6, 1990, Baupost LP 1985 E-1 disposed of 90,000 shares for a price of $1.58 per share.

-30- 460
#90229c0066 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

NATIONAL AMERICAN INSURANCE CO OF CALIFORNIA OWNS 98,200 SHARES (5.10%) OF ARISTA INVESTORS CORP (TICKER: ARIN) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 13, 1990 and Aug 3, 1990, National American Insurance Co. of CA purchased 21,500 shares at an undisclosed price.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 525
#90229c0067 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

R.D. EWELL OWNS 1,188,364 SHARES (5.20%) OF PACIFIC AGRICULTURAL HOLDINGS INC (TICKER: PAGH) OF FRESNO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On May 25, 1990, Mr. Ewell entered into an amendment to employment agreement with Pacific Agricultural Holdings Inc. pursuant to which Pacific Agricultural Holdings Inc. granted to Mr. Ewell 150,000 non-conditional options at the price of $2.72 per share and 300,000 additional conditional options at the price of $2.72 per share. The beneficially-owned shares amount includes 288,889 shares purchasable by Mr. Ewell pursuant to presently exercisable stock options, but does not include 300,000 conditional stock options which have been granted to Mr. Ewell but have not yet vested.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 27, 1990 and July 12, 1990, Mr. Ewell sold 196,000 shares of Pacific Agricultural Holdings Inc.'s common stock at a price of $2.65 to

$2.94 per share, and on July 30, 1990, Mr. Ewell purchased 100,000 shares at a price of $2.99 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1240
#90229c0068 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY FIRST EXECUTIVE CORP OF LOS ANGELES, CA OWNS 36,602,124 SHARES (41.90%) OF REGENCY EQUITIES CORP (TICKER: RGEQ) OF CRANFORD, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

First Executive Corp. have been informed that Mr. Nelson will resign from the Regency board at the next board meeting and Mr. Lasher and at least one other member of the board will not stand for re-election at the next shareholders' meeting which has not yet been scheduled. In May 1990, ELIC and EAC orally proposed that Robert N. Goodman, Larry B. Faigin and Richard S. Ziman be included as nominees for election to the Regency board.

PURPOSE:

Board resignations and nominee elections.

-30- 868
#90229c0070 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Goldman sachs has decreased its beneficial ownership of the shares of common stock to zero of Norton Co. (TICKER: NRT) by tendering its shares into the publicly announced offer by Compagnie de Saint-Gobain.

PURPOSE:

Decrease in beneficial ownership.

-30- 479
#90229c0071 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

G.S. COHEN OF WALLINGFORD, CT OWNS 6,368,600 SHARES (19.50%) OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP (TICKER: CUS).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Under Dr. Cohen's employment agreement with Customedix Corp.'s wholly-owned subsidiary, Jeneric/Pentron Inc., Customedix Corp. agreed to issue to him on each of the first five anniversary dates of such employment agreement an option to receive as an annual bonus up to 125,000 shares of common stock, exercisable at any time during the terms of the employment agreement through Dec. 31, 1992. Dr. Cohen has exercised such options with respect to 125,000 shares of the common stock during each of 1988, 1989 and 1990.

-30- 827
#90229c0072 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

W. FARLEY OWNS 11,782,212 SHARES (27.30%) OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC (TICKER: FTL).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 13, 1990, Farley Inc. sold 3,750,000 shares of class B stock to Land Free Investment Ltd. at a price of $11.50 per share pursuant to a stock purchase agreement dated Aug. 13, 1990 between Farley and the purchaser. As a result of the sale, these shares automatically converted into 3,750,000 shares of class A stock. Farley and purchaser entered into a Put option agreement in which Farley agreed to provide purchaser the right to require Farley to purchase from purchaser up to 3,750,000 shares of class A stock at the exercise price of $15.54 during the period commencing July 12, 1991 and ending July 15, 1991. To secure performance, Farley executed a pledge agreement in favor of the purchaser under which Farley pledged 2,500,000 shares of his class B stock. On Aug. 13, 1990, the Purchaser, Farley Inc. and Fruit of The Loom Inc. entered into a registration rights agreement pursuant to which, Fruit of The Loom Inc. is required to register the 3,750,000 shares of Class A stock and the 2,500,000 shares of class B stock pledged for one or more periods commencing March 1991; Farley Inc. will bear all of the costs and expenses incurred.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 19, 1990 and July 26, 1990, William Farley sold 335,000 shares at a price of $13 to $13.25 per share.

-30- 1609
#90229c0073 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 14, 1990, New Henly and Itel Corp. entered into an agreement which provides that Itel Corp. will repurchase (a) within 30 days, 4,675,000 shares of Itel common stock at $18 per share and (b) by Dec. 31, 1990, 4,675,000 shares of Itel common stock at $19.50 per share. The Itel agreement, also, grants to Itel Corp. an option to purchase the remaining 9,350,000 shares of Itel common stock held by Henley at $21 per share, if exercised on or prior to March 31, 1990, or at $22 per share, if exercised on or prior to July 31, 1991. Itel Corp. (TICKER: ITL) has agreed to guarantee Henley a minimum price of $22 per share on any sale of such shares through Dec. 31, 1991.

-30- 913
#90229c0074 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GABELLI GROUP INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 362,344 SHARES (5.08%) OF DELCHAMPS INC (TICKER: DLCH) OF MOBILE, AL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between April 17, 1990 and Aug. 10, 1990, Gabelli Group purchased 116,700 shares at a price of $23.25 to $26 per share and sold 6,900 shares at a price of $23 to $25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 558
#90229c0075 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 21

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 15, 1990, Recognition Equipment Inc. issued to Prospect a 10 percent convertible senior subordinated note due 1997 in the principal amount of $15,000,000, which replaced the note effective as of Aug. 1, 1990 and cancelled the note effective as of Aug. 1, 1990. The replacement note, among other things, changes the definition of senior debt to reflect the refinancing of certain of Recognition Equipment Inc.'s (TICKER: REC) debt.

-30- 673
#90229c0076 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FIRSTAR CORP OF MILWAUKEE, WI OWNS 724,529 SHARES (19.90%) OF INC BANKS OF IOWA (TICKER: BIOW) OF DES MOINES, IA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an agreement and plan of reorganization and the merger agreement, which provides for the merger of a subsidiary of Firstar with and into BOI, and an investment agreement, dated as of Aug. 5, 1990, BOI has granted to Firstar an option to purchase up to 724,529 shares of BOI common stock at an exercise price of $66 per share. Under the merger agreement, each outstanding share of BOI common stock (including shares issued under BOI's restricted stock plan), at the effective time of the merger will be converted into 2.7 shares of common stock of Firstar and cash in lieu of any fractional interests. BOI will be the surviving corporation to the merger becoming a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of Firstar. Consummation of the merger is subject to receipt of all necessary shareholder and government approvals.

PURPOSE:

Agreement and plan of reorganization and merger agreement.

-30- 1241
#90229c0078 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - Oklahoma City, Okla.-based Bradmar Petroleum Corp. (TICKER: BPC) has completed the acquisition of Petroleum Investments Ltd., an Oklahoma energy partnership, and several partnerships affiliated with it, for 1.89 million Bradmar common shares, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 15, 1990

-30- 584
#90229c0079 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - Biocontrol Technology Inc. (TICKER: BICO) of Indiana, Pa., has sold its Indiana, Pa., property to the 300 Indian Springs Road Real Estate Partnership for $800,000 and will lease the property back and continue operating from the location, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 15, 1990

-30- 575
#90229c0080 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - Clinical Homecare Ltd. of Fairfield, N.J. will expand its home infusion therapy business into California, Massachusetts, Texas and Puerto Rico, with the acquisition of Nutritional Metabolic Support Associates and affiliated businesses.

Clinical Homecare's main objective in buying the NMSA businesses was to gain the clinical expertise and industry connections of Dr. Harrison D. Willcutts, president and owner of each of the NMSA businesses.

The purchase price for the NMSA businesses is 137,500 Clinical Homecare common shares, $187,500 in cash, a $100,000 note, and the infusion of $922,000 into the NMSA businesses, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 15, 1990

-30- 956
#90229c0081 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - Offering Baker Hughes Inc., (TICKER: BHI)

the Houston oil and gas equipment company, has raised a net of $173.8 million with an initial public offering in its BJ Services Inc. unit of 9.22 million common shares at $20 each.

The $173.8 million, along with $25 million in loans borrowed by the BJ Services, were distributed to the parent, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 15, 1990

-30- 680

#90229c0082 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - Falcon Cable Systems Co.(TICKER: FAL) of Los Angeles, and Falcon Classic Cable Income Properties L.P., an affiliate have completed the purchase of cable television systems serving Redmond, Florence, Cottage Grove, Dunes City and Mapleton, Oregon from Cooke Media Group Inc. and Jack Kent Cooke Inc. for $21.5 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 15, 1990

-30- 634

#90229c0083 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - Oklahoma City, Okla.-based Bradmar Petroleum Corp. (TICKER: BPC) has completed the acquisition of Petroleum Investments Ltd., an Oklahoma energy partnership, and several partnerships affiliated with it, for 1.89 million Bradmar common shares, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 15, 1990

-30- 581

#90229c0084 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - Biocontrol Technology Inc. (TICKER: BICO) of Indiana, Pa., has sold its Indiana, Pa., property to the 300 Indian Springs Road Real Estate Partnership for $800,000 and will lease the property back and continue operating from the location, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 15, 1990

-30- 577
#90229c0089 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

MOTOROLA INC OWNS 660,000 SHARES (19.80%) OF INTERPHASE CORP (TICKER: INPH) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Cope has asked Motorola to provide financial assistance in connection with his personal borrowings and Motorola is considering whether to provide this assistance which could involve a right to "put" shares to Motorola at a discount, or otherwise involve shares, and the modification of the shareholder agreement and the stock agreement. No assurance can be given about the form and terms of such assistance or whether such assistance will be given.

PURPOSE:

Request for financial assistance.

-30- 806
#90229c0090 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 156,588,094 SHARES (100.00%) OF SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON HOLD (TICKER: SLH) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 9, 1990, following the affirmative vote of a majority of Shearson Lehman Hutton Hold's voting stock, and pursuant to the merger agreement, a certificate of merger was filed with the secretary of state of the state of Delaware, effectuating the merger as of Aug. 10, 1990 and American Express became the beneficial owner of all the shares of common stock at that time. On Aug. 10, 1990, American Express exercised its option to convert the convertible preferred stock owned by it into 68,181,820 shares of common stock which transaction consummated the 1990 agreement.

PURPOSE:

Merger.

-30- 975
#90229c0091 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Accor announced on Aug. 15, 1990 that its offer expired on that date and that 53,221,369 units had been tendered and accepted under their $22.50 per unit tender offer.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition.

-30- 396
#90229c0093 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release on Aug. 16, 1990, KGE (TICKER: KGE) announced that it has asked the US District Court in Wichita to issue a preliminary injunction preventing KCPL from continuing its demands for a shareholder list, a special stockholder meeting, and, as well as, the publication of misleading information.

-30- 520
#90229c0097 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY TIGER OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 439,500 SHARES (5.50%) OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC (TICKER: OS) OF PORTLAND, OR.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 2, 1990 and Aug. 14, 1990, Tiger acquired 90,400 shares at a price of $33.19 to $39.60 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 488
#90229c0098 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY S.A. SARNO SR OWNS 424,644 SHARES (6.60%) OF SEVEN OAKS INTL INC (TICKER: QPON) OF MEMPHIS, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 8, 1990, Mr. Sarno, Sr. and Mr. Sarno, Jr. reached an informal agreement in principle to act together in seeking a purchaser or purchasers for all or a portion of their shares of common stock of Seven Oaks Int'l Inc. Both, Messrs. Sarno, resigned from the board of directors of Seven Oaks Int'l Inc. on May 8, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Proposed shares sales to provide capital and liquidity.

-30- 735
#90229c0099 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

D.D. COLLINS OWNS 219,300 SHARES (8.90%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 6 and 13, 1990, D.D. Collins sold 35,900 shares of Signal Apparel Co. Inc.'s class A common stock at a price of $8 to $8.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 518
#90229c0101 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

D.D. COLLINS OWNS 1,127,600 SHARES (16.20%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 6 and 13, 1990, D.D. Colins sold 35,900 shares of Signal Apparel Co. Inc.'s class A common stock at a price of $8 to $8.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 515
#90229c0102 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY P-A RESEARCH LTD OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 555,000 SHARES (4.20%) OF ARCHIVE CORP (TICKER: ACHV) OF COSTA MESA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 2, 1990, P-A II sold warrants to purchase, in the aggregate, 450,000 shares of the 600,000 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the Series B Warrants, pursuant to a privately negotiated sale for a total consideration of $2,430,000. As a result of the sale, P-A II now has the right under the Series B Warrants to acquire only 150,000 shares of common stock. P-A II presently plans to acquire from Archive

warrants to purchase an additional 400,000 shares of common stock at a price and upon terms yet to be determined.

PURPOSE:

Sale of warrants to purchase.

-30- 925
#90229c0103 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY EQUITY-LINKED INVESTORS LP OWNS 172,500 SHARES (4.08%) OF UTL CORP (TICKER: UTLC) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 2, 1990 and July 25, 1990, ELI sold 62,500 shares of UTL Corp.'s common stock in a series of open market transactions for an undisclosed consideration.

PURPOSE:

Amendments.

-30- 542
#90229c0104 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

T.A. MALOOF OWNS 258,470 SHARES (5.84%) OF CENTURY MEDICORP (TICKER: CEMC) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On May 11, 1990, Century Medicorp. effected a one-for-five reverse split of its shares of common stock and, as a result, Mr. Maloof was the beneficial owner of 195,200 shares. Effective July 10, 1990, Mr. Maloof received 2,770 shares of Century Medicorp's common stock as a pro rate share distribution from an unaffiliated company. In connection with services rendered on

behalf of Century Medicorp, on Nov. 2, 1989 Mr. Maloof was granted options to acquire an aggregate of 40,000 shares of which 20,000 are vested as of June 30, 1990, 10,000 vest on June 30, 1991 and 10,000 vest on June 30, 1992. The options are exercisable at $1.70 per share through Aug. 15, 1993.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On May 17, 1990, Mr. Maloof acquired 30,500 shares of Century Medicorp's common stock in consideration of $50,000 cash of his personal funds.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1188
#90229c0105 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GROUP LED BY SHAMROCK ASSOC OWNS 350,935 SHARES (5.70%) OF FIRST WESTERN FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: FWES) OF LAS VEGAS, NV.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

By letter dated Aug. 15, 1990, Mr. Paul O. Koether, as representative of Shamrock Assoc., requested that he be nominated by management for election to a seat on First Western's board of directors at its next annual meeting.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 2, 1990 and Aug. 9, 1990, Shamrock Assoc. purchased 34,600 shares at a price of $7.25 to $7.50 per share and sold 18,265 shares at a price of $7.38 to $7.39 per share.

PURPOSE:

A request for election nomination to First Western's board of directors.

-30- 882
#90229c0106 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

N. ELOWITZ OWNS 806,500 SHARES (9.05%) OF THE ULTIMATE CORP (TICKER: ULT)

OF EAST HANOVER, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

N. Elowitz is contemplating making another offer related to the offer reported in previous filings.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

N. Elowitz purchased 55,500 shares from June 12 to Aug. 7, 1990 for $5 to $7 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares.

-30- 556
#90229c0107 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 918,000 SHARES (6.10%) OF ADDINGTON RESOURCES INC (TICKER: ADDR) OF ASHLAND, KY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The filer reports an increase in its holdings.

-30- 412
#90229c0109 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 450,661 SHARES (11.51%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Fidelity Intl LTD purchased 67,500 shares from July 25-26, 1990 for $9.91 to $10.01 per share.

-30- 441
#90229c0110 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 209,500 SHARES (5.20%) OF COGNEX CORP (TICKER: CGNX) OF NEEDHAM, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Fidelity Intl LTD sold 5,000 shares on Aug. 1, 1990 for $32.75 per share.

-30- 402
#90229c0111 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:30 that trade in Ponce Federal Bank, FSB (NASDAQ: PFBS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 4-3/8.

-30- 310
#90229c0112 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - Miami, Fla.-based Frenchtex Inc., (TICKER: FRCH) has acquired an 82 percent interest in Deritex N.V., and a 35 percent stake in Ververij Van Anzegem, both Belgian textile companies, for a total of $4.3 million.

Frenchtex paid $3.8 million for the shares of Deritex, one of Europe's largest towel manufacturers, and $500,000 for the stock of VVA, which operates a towel dyeing plant, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Deritex currently supplies about 50 percent of the Frenchtex inventory.

Harry Derieuw, the president and controlling shareholder of Deritex, is also a Frenchtex director.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 16, 1990

-30- 903
#90229c0113 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - Albuquerque, N.M.-based Reserve Industries Corp. (TICKER: ROIL) has received a $4.5 million loan which will allow it to clean up environmental problems at its L-Bar Products Inc. plant in Chewelah, Wash., and to renovate the facility.

The funds will be used to build a new blending and loading facility for fertilizer products, modernize the magnesium recovery plant and install state-of-the-art water management and air quality controls, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Reserve Industries and L-Bar Products have been sued by the Washington State Department of Ecology over environmental problems at the plant.

The planned renovations are aimed at cleaning up the problems at the facility.

Reserve Industries is engaged in mineral exploration, magnesium recovery and silica sand processing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 16, 1990

-30- 1118
#90229c0114 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The Parkway Company (TICKER: PKWY) of Jackson, Miss., has sold its Chanticleer Apartments in Virginia Beach, Va. to Pennsylvania Realty Group, Inc., for $8.8 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 16, 1990

-30- 487
#90229c0115 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The Clorox Co. (TICKER: CLX) of Oakland, Calif., has completed the acquisition of the household products lines of American Cyanamid Co. for $465 million.

The acquisition includes Pine-Sol cleaner and Combat brand insecticide products and Cyanamid's Jackson, Miss., manufacturing plant, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 16, 1990

-30- 618
#90229c0117 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - San Jose, Calif.-based EMCON Associates (TICKER: MCON) has paid Chemical Waste Management Inc. $5 million as part of a settlement of a lawsuit between the two companies.

The suit concerned waste mass slippage at Chemical Waste's Kettleman Hills, Calif., hazardous waste treatment and disposal plant, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 16, 1990

-30- 641
#90229c0118 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

D.B. FLEMING JR OWNS 1,634,328 SHARES (4.80%) OF ALLWASTE INC (TICKER: ALWS) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Flemming now owns 4.8 percent of Allwaste Inc.'s outstanding common stock and pursuant to rule 13d-2, Mr. Fleming will not make further filings with respect to this schedule 13d.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 18, 1990 and Aug. 15, 1990, Mr. Flemming sold 138,500 shares of Allwaste Inc.'s common stock at a price of $10.06 to $11.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 702
#90229c0119 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY DH PARTNERS LP OWNS 900,700 SHARES (47.90%) OF DIVERSIFIED HUMAN RESOURCES INC (TICKER: HIRE) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

At a special meeting of shareholders on Aug. 3, 1990, held for the purpose of electing Mr. Bailey and other nominees of the Partnership to board of directors, Resolution Trust Corp., as successors-in-interest to Hallmark Service Corp. presented the registrant an irrevocable proxy which allegedly controlled the voting of the proxy shares. The proxy shares were pledged by Brothers to Hallmark pursuant to a security agreement-pledge as security for loans which Hallmark made to Brothers, of which Brothers was and currently is in default. RTC voted the proxy shares at the special meeting against the slate of nominees proposed by the Partnership and the slate was defeated. The Partnership has been evaluating its rights with respect to the Partnership proxy and the proxy shares and consider the irrevocable proxies held by the RTC over the proxy shares to be invalid and ineffective and has initiated litigation against RTC/Hallmark in an effort to have a judicial determination made as to the validity of the alleged irrevocable proxy previously given to Hallmark by Brothers, and to enjoining Hallmark from voting the proxy shares pursuant to the alleged irrevocable proxy until the judicial determination has been made.

PURPOSE:

Validation of irrevocable proxies.

-30- 1647
#90229c0120 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY BAKER NYE LP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,454,800 SHARES (5.08%) OF PHILIPS INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: PHL) OF DAYTON, OH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 14, 1990 and Aug. 13, 1990, Baker Nye LP purchased 945,600 shares at a price of $17.58 to $18.24 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment/arbitrage activities.

-30- 532
#90229c0121 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Financial Bancorp (TICKER: FFBC) earned $4.19 million, or $0.83 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $3.48 million, or $0.69 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 440

#90229c0122 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Brookfield Bancshares (TICKER: BFBS) lost $855,046, or $1.77 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $478,064, or $0.99 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 423

#90229c0123 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pamrapo Bancorp (TICKER: PBCI) earned $603,747, or $0.35 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $674,606, for the same period in 1989. Earnings per share for this period is not available because there was no stock outstanding at this time.

-30- 496

#90229c0125 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Guaranty Bancshares (TICKER: GBNC) lost $130,000, or $0.10 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $131,000, or $0.10 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 418

#90229c0126 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Fairfield County Bancorp Inc. (TICKER: FCBK) lost $5.20 million, or $2.43 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $296,108, or $0.13 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 450
#90229c0127 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Citizens Financial Corp. (TICKER: FCIT) lost $2.42 million, or $1.16 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $581,000, or $0.28 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 444
#90229c0128 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Chesapeake Utilities (TICKER: CHPK) lost $78,070, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $16.69 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $314,183, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $19.02 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 476
#90229c0129 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bank Corporation of Georgia earned $257,400 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $353,196 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 375
#90229c0130 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lasertechnics Inc. (TICKER: LASX) lost $316,618, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.78 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $172,370, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.30 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 481
#90229c0131 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pace Medical Inc. (TICKER: PMED) reporting earnings of $197,004, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $776,774 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $37,621, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $398,296 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 482
#90229c0133 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows UNSL Financial Corp. (TICKER: UNSL) earned $701,217, or $0.42 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $668,517, or $0.41 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 426
#90229c0134 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Intermark Gaming International Inc. (TICKER: IGII) earned $2.43 million (including an extraordinary gain of $2.85 million), or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $262,832 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $90,717 ($287,480 loss from discontinued operations), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.38 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 611
#90229c0135 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Summit Financial Corp. (TICKER: SUMM) lost $39,821, or $0.04 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $28,196 for the period from May 26, 1989 (inception) through June 30, 1989.

-30- 430
#90229c0136 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Dawn Capital Corp. (TICKER: DAWN) earned $54,074, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.21 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $68,948, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $593,445 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 458
#90229c0137 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Waverly Inc. (TICKER: WAVR) earned $1.06 million, or $0.27 per share, on

revenues of $29.49 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $790,000, or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $25.61 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 489

#90229c0138 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows VSE Corp. (TICKER: VSEC) earned $561,000, or $0.32 per share, on revenues of $25.11 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $27,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $26.81 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 466

#90229c0139 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Market Facts Inc. 9TICKER: MFAC) earned $237,752, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $10.34 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $264,873, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $9.62 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 469

#90229c0141 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Merchants Bank of New York (TICKER: MBNY)earned $2.41 million, or $0.97 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.63 million, or $1.06 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 449

#90229c0142 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:06 that trade in Unity Health Care (NASDAQ: UNTY) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 3 1/2, 4. The company is located in New York, NY.

-30- 344

#90229c0143 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Family Bancorp (TICKER: FMLY) earned $58,000, or $0.02 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $346,000, or $0.11 per share, for the same period in 1989.

The executive office of Family Bancorp is located at 153 Merrimack Street, Haverhill, MA 01830 and its telephone number is (508) 374-1911.

-30- 566

#90229c0144 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Eateries Inc. (TICKER: EATS) earned $18,362, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.90 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $61,914, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $2.41 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 468

#90229c0145 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Western Energy Resources Inc. (TICKER: WERC) lost $34,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $34,401 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $37,874, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $51,412 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 473

#90229c0146 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Westmoreland Coal Co. (TICKER: WMOR) earned $5.18 million, or $0.63 per share, on revenues of $142.16 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $805,000, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $153.84 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 499

#90229c0147 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:36 that trade in Ponce Federal Bank (NASDAQ: PFBS) has been resumed. The first sale was 5; up 5/8 point from the halt and from the previous close.

-30- 344

#90229c0149 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Central Jersey Financial Corp. (TICKER: CJFC) reporting income of $508,699 or $0.40 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $652,272, or $0.51 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 452

#90229c0150 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Peoples Telephone Company (TICKER: PTEL) reporting second quarter earnings of $332,027, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $7.89 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $393,178, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $4.30 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 532

#90229c0151 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Digital Metcom Inc.(TICKER: DMET) earned $171,991 (including an extraordinary gain of $78,000), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $3.48 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $253,182 (extraordinary gain of $100,000), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.91 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 550

#90229c0152 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Healthinfusion Inc.(TICKER: HINF) earning $501,514, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $2.38 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with income of $453,264, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $1.45 million for the same period in 1989.

HealthInfusion's executive office is located at 5200 Blue Lagoon Drive, Suite 200, Miami, FL 33126 and their telephone number is: (305) 267-1177.

-30- 621

#90229c0153 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Boca Raton Capital Corp.(TICKER: BOCA) lost $19,688, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $318,751 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $201,310, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $51,130 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 499

#90229c0154 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Elexis Corp. (TICKER: ELEX) earned $33,200 (including a loss of $7,348 from discontinued operations), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.55 million, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $22,586 (including a loss of $74,365 from discontinued operations), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.35 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 587

#90229c0155 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United Systems Technology Inc. (TICKER: USTI) reporting a net income of $51,579 (including an extraordinary gain of $17,500), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.15 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $18,868 (including an extraordinary gain of $6,400), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $669,889 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 629

#90229c0157 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Geminex Industries Inc. (TICKER: GNXI) reporting net earnings of $11,593, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.53 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $82,646, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.29 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 517

#90229c0158 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Tucker Drilling Co. (TICKER: TUCK) reporting $34,443, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $3.84 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $266,280, or $0.13 per share, on revenues

of $1.72 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 490

#90229c0159 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Magic Years Child Care and Learning Centers Inc. (TICKER: KIDS) lost $80,899, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $2.02 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $290,213, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $1.88 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 516

#90229c0160 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lakeland Bancorp earned $524,799, or $0.50 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $512,041, or $0.49 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 397

#90229c0161 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows ECC Energy (TICKER: ECCE) lost $243,000, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $522,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $132,000, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $341,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 454

#90229c0162 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Riverside Group Inc.(TICKER: RSGI) earned $996,000, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $28.19 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $2.24 million, or $0.40 per share, on revenues of $23.90 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 485

#90229c0163 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Time Management Inc. earned $16,154, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of

$273,400 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $455,841, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $535,208 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 444

#90229c0165 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:54 that trade in Unity Health Care Holdings (NASDAQ: UNTY) has been resumed. The first bid was 2 3/4; down 3/4 point from the halt, and down 1/4 point from the previous close.

-30- 383

#90229c0166 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - L. SHELFFO OF 185 SOUTH ORANGE AVE, S ORANGE, NJ 07079, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF AMERICA'S COFFEE CUP INC. THROUGH XCEL SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 30, 1990.

(AMERICA'S COFFEE CUP INC. TEL: 619 558-2660)

-30- 414

#90229c0167 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - S. FIDIPAREX OF 6215 FERRIS SQUARE, SUITE 180, SAN DIEGO, CA 92121, HAS FILED TO SELL 83,500 SHARES OF AMERICA'S COFFEE CUP INC. THROUGH XCEL SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON JULY 30, 1990.

(AMERICA'S COFFEE CUP INC. TEL: 619 558-2660)

-30- 426

#90229c0168 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - L. MILLER OF 1900 NORTH VINE ST, HOLLYWOOD, CA 90068, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,072 SHARES OF GAMBLING TIMES INC. (TICKER: GMBT) THROUGH BURNETT GREY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 14, 1990.

(GAMBLING TIMES INC. TEL: 818 781-9355)

-30- 410

#90229c0169 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C. HASLAM OF 1566 WEST 2550 SOUTH, OGDEN, UT 84401, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC. (TICKER: WSFG) THROUGH R A JOHNSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC. TEL: 801 782-8888)

-30- 420

#90229c0170 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K. CARTER OF 933 RIDGE HILL LANE #11, MIDVALE, UT 84047, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MEDIZONE INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: MZEI) THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(MEDIZONE INTERNATIONAL INC TEL: 212 421-0303)

-30- 422

#90229c0171 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - V.M. PETERSON OF 1247 MOYLE DR, ALPINE, UT 84004, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEDIZONE INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: MZEI) THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(MEDIZONE INTERNATIONAL INC TEL: 212 421-0303)

-30- 420

#90229c0173 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - UNITED BUSINESS & CONSULTING OF 4078 CAVELL, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55427, HAS FILED TO SELL 46,000 SHARES OF CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. THROUGH EQUITY SECS TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. TEL: 515 224-1995)

-30- 439

#90229c0174 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J. RODMAN OF 12920 M AUTOMOBILE BLVD, CLEARWATER, FL 34622, HAS FILED

TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MSYS) THROUGH MASCERA & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 813 576-6311)

-30- 455
#90229c0175 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERMOUNTAIN TECH VENTURES LP OF 1113 SPRUCE, SUITE 300, BOULDER, CO 80302, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF DESTRON IDI INC. (TICKER: DIDIF) THROUGH WEISS PECK & GREER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(DESTRON IDI INC. TEL: 303 444-5306)

-30- 450
#90229c0176 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L.W. SMITH OF 10009 E SADDLEHORN TRAIL, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85258, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF BROKEN ARROW PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BAPT) THROUGH AMERICAN AEGIS SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13 1990.

(BROKEN ARROW PETROLEUM CO. TEL: 602 483-0522)

-30- 446
#90229c0177 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.M. PRADO OF 8260 SW 105 ST, MIAMI, FL 33156, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,300 SHARES OF DELTA RENTAL SYS INC. (TICKER: DTSS) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(DELTA RENTAL SYS INC. TEL: 305 532-2006)

-30- 412
#90229c0178 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.M. KALLENBACH OF 1085 6TH ST SW, NEW BRIGHTON, MN 55112, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL GAMING MANAGEMENT (TICKER: INGM)

THROUGH SUMMIT INVSTMNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 10, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL GAMING MANAGEMENT TEL: 612 542-1410)

-30- 458
#90229c0179 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E.D. MILTON OF P O BOX 670343, DALLAS, TX 75367, HAS FILED TO SELL 193,000 SHARES OF TRUE HEALTH INC. (TICKER: TEHI) THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 10, 1990.

(TRUE HEALTH INC. TEL: 214 407-0999)

-30- 404
#90229c0181 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P.W. PHILLIPS OF 8209 MEADOW RD #2106, DALLAS, TX 75231, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF MELLIN INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: MLIN) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 13, 1990.

(MELLIN INDUSTRIES INC TEL: 305 943-8524)

-30- 416
#90229c0182 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN B ASHMUN OF 1200 SMITH ST, SUITE 1500, HOUSTON, TX 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF WAINOCO OIL CORP. (TICKER: WOL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(WAINOCO OIL CORP. TEL: 713 658-9900)

-30- 412
#90229c0183 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VIETCUONG N DANG OF 362 STACEY COM, 0, FREMONT, CA 94530, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,077 SHARES OF TELEVIDEO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TELV) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(TELEVIDEO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 954-8333)

-30- 426
#90229c0184 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE E ROYSTON JR OF 745 SOUTH CHURCH ST, P O BOX 8, MURFREESBORO, TN 37133, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PRICOR INC. (TICKER: PRCO) THROUGH J C BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(PRICOR INC. TEL: 615 896-3100)

-30- 418
#90229c0185 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LOUIS HENRIETTA J 1969 TR OF 1100 WILSON BLVD, ARLINGTON, VA 22209, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF GANNETT CO. (TICKER: GCI) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 15, 1990.

(GANNETT CO. TEL: 703 276-5900)

-30- 415
#90229c0186 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BARRY L EDWARDS OF P O BOX 789, GREENVILLE, SC 29602, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,600 SHARES OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC) THROUGH DILLON READ & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 15, 1990.

(THE LIBERTY CORP. TEL: 803 268-8111)

-30- 398
#90229c0187 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TSVIA ROSENTHAL OF ONE POLO FIELD LANE, GREAT NECK, NY 11000, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,284 SHARES OF MEDALIST INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MDIN) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(MEDALIST INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 414 241-8500)

-30- 426
#90229c0189 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARL H WESTCOTT OF C/O WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS, 1303 MARSH LANE, CARROLLTON, TX 75006, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: WCTV) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 214 416-4100)

-30- 476
#90229c0190 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER BURTSCHER OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 866-5050)

-30- 408
#90229c0191 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEON C HIRSCH OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 401
#90229c0192 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J BOWERMAN OF 33707 MCKENZIE VIEW DR, EUGENE, OR 97401, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,151 SHARES OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NIKE) THROUGH RHACO FIRST INVEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(NIKE INC. TEL: 503 641-6453)

-30- 397
#90229c0193 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLEN J MILLER OF C/O PLEXAR COMMUNICATIONS, 1090 KING GEORGES RD, STE 80 EDISON, NJ 08837, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 456
#90229c0194 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRAD PITTMAN OF 3030 MCKINNEY #401, DALLAS, TX 75204, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,782 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH GREENMAN PARKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 389
#90229c0195 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES ZELLER OF 92 GLENWOOD AVE, P O BOX 270, ONEIDA, NY 13421, HAS FILED TO SELL 835,300 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH R B MARICH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 382
#90229c0197 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT C DALESIO OF 1251 WEST KY AVE, DENVER, CO 80223, HAS FILED TO SELL 77,500 SHARES OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(RYAN-MURPHY INC. TEL: 303 293-3835)

-30- 408
#90229c0198 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY O MARINO OF 3735 NW 52ND ST, 0, BOCA RATON, FL 33496, HAS FILED TO SELL 382,911 SHARES OF BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOCA) THROUGH

NOBLE INVSTMNT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 394-3066)

-30- 433
#90229c0199 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STANLEY R RAWN JR OF 667 MADISON AVE 12TH FLR, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,000 SHARES OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS) THROUGH JANNEY MONTGOMERY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. TEL: 212 758-8500)

-30- 433
#90229c0200 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAY D KING OF P O BOX 6153, CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78466, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. (TICKER: MCFE) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. TEL: 213 944-0181)

-30- 414
#90229c0201 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S STEEL & CARNEGIE PENSION F OF 600 GRANT ST, PITTSBURGH, NY 10530 HAS FILED TO SELL 246,900 SHARES OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(USX CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 417
#90229c0202 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C PHILIP CHAPMAN OF 6201 E CACTUS RD #24, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85254, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,500 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 15, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 409
#90229c0203 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL C YOUNGBLOOD OF 511 MORNINGSIDE, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78209, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ADTEC INC. (TICKER: JAIL) THROUGH SAN JACINTO SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(ADTEC INC. TEL: 512 490-0594)

-30- 401
#90229c0205 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VINOD K TALWAR OF 2019 FRIAR TUCK, ARLINGTON, TX 76013, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF WESTERN CO. OF NORTH AMERICA (TICKER: WSN) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(WESTERN CO. OF NORTH AMERICA TEL: 817 731-5100)

-30- 443
#90229c0206 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWIN G GENERES OF 2330 CANAL ST, NEW ORLEANS, LA 70119, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,400 SHARES OF GTS CORP. (TICKER: GTSC) THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(GTS CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 375
#90229c0207 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEE WAYNE J TRUST OF 11689 OLIVE SPRING COURT, CUPERTINO, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 28,305 SHARES OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(DYNATECH CORP. TEL: 617 272-6100)

-30- 412
#90229c0208 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL TALLENT OF 3500 DOS RIO RD, LAYTONVILLE, CA 95435, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,339 SHARES OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(DYNATECH CORP. TEL: 617 272-6100)

-30- 396
#90229c0209 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD D LONG OF 7790 LOST VIEW RD, SAN JOSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,307 SHARES OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(DYNATECH CORP. TEL: 617 272-6100)

-30- 393
#90229c0210 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRY F HIXSON OF 517 ORANGE GROVE BLVD #200, PASADENA, CA 91105, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,000 SHARES OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 15, 1990.

(AMGEN INC. TEL: 805 499-5725)

-30- 396
#90229c0211 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLAUDE CORVINO OF 19 DECISION WAY E, 0, WASHINGTON CROSSING, PA 18977, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: HRDG) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. TEL: 415 892-0821)

-30- 442
#90229c0213 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TAMARA ROSENTHAL OF ONE POLO FIELD LANE, GREAT NECK, NY 11020, HAS

FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MEDALIST INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MDIN) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(MEDALIST INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 414 241-8500)

-30- 425
#90229c0214 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARILYN HERTZ OF 710 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2400)

-30- 426
#90229c0215 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM B WINKELER OF 8920 PERSHALL RD, HAZELWOOD, MO 63042, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT) THROUGH HOWARD WEIL LABOUISSE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(WETTERAU INC. TEL: 314 524-5000)

-30- 405
#90229c0216 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHANCELLOR CAPITAL MGMT INC OF 9975 TOLEDO DR, IRVINE, CA 92718, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEDSTONE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MSHK) THROUGH WEEDEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(MEDSTONE INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 714 587-0500)

-30- 445
#90229c0217 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RALPH LANCIANO OF 225 BELLEVUE AVE, HADDONFIELD, NJ 08033, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,345 SHARES OF DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DRUG) THROUGH SILVER GRAY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 609 228-8500)

-30- 441
#90229c0218 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD JOSEPH PATZKE OF 2101 6TH AVE N, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,286 SHARES OF ENERGEN CORP. (TICKER: EGN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(ENERGEN CORP. TEL: 205 326-8179)

-30- 395
#90229c0219 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACKIE J BRANDT OF 5230 BELLINGHAM AVE #4, N HOLLYWOOD, CA 91607, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 442
#90229c0221 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD E WALKER OF 105 WHITE OAK DR, HENDERSONVILLE, TN 37075, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,639 SHARES OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(SHONEY'S INC. TEL: 615 391-5201)

-30- 403
#90229c0222 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROGER D SKAER OF 310 GARVEY, BLDG #300 WEST DOUGLAS, WICHITA, KS 67202, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF HIGH PLAINS CORP. (TICKER: HIPC) THROUGH BROWN CHURCH SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(HIGH PLAINS CORP. TEL: 316 269-4310)

-30- 423
#90229c0223 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COLEMAN W LAFRANCE OF 1042 COLONIAL WAY, TUSTIN, CA 92680, HAS FILED TO SELL 101,000 SHARES OF LUTHER MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: LUTH) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(LUTHER MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 714 544-3002)

-30- 435
#90229c0224 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD SCHMIDT OF 5445 LANART CT, DUBLIN, OH 43017, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF WORTH CORP. (TICKER: WRTH) THROUGH BATEMAN EICHLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(WORTH CORP. TEL: 408 436-7467)

-30- 384
#90229c0225 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J CHAVEZ OF 1553 ELMAR WAY, SAN JOSE, CA 95129, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,177 SHARES OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(DYNATECH CORP. TEL: 617 272-6100)

-30- 393
#90229c0226 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RON M HARRISON OF 221 DRUMMON ST, NEVADA CITY, CA 95959, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,397 SHARES OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(DYNATECH CORP. TEL: 617 272-6100)

-30- 395
#90229c0227 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - LEEAYN CHAPMAN FAMILY TRUST OF 3 NEW ENGLAND EXECUTIVE PK, BURLINGTON, MA 01803, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(DYNATECH CORP. TEL: 617 272-6100)

-30- 438
#90229c0229 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT DWYER OF P O BOX 910, GREAT BARRINGTON, MA 01230, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF SCIENCE MANAGEMENT CORP. (TICKER: SMG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 15, 1990.

(SCIENCE MANAGEMENT CORP. TEL: 201 647-7000)

-30- 421
#90229c0230 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCOTT G SHERMAN OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH GREENMAN PARKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 398
#90229c0231 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KAEL J BALIZER OF 208 TIERRA DEL SOL NW, ALBURQUERQUE, NM 87114, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,292 SHARES OF FIBERCHEM INC. (TICKER: FOCS) THROUGH R G DICKINSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(FIBERCHEM INC. TEL: 702 361-9873)

-30- 408
#90229c0232 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD L TISDEL OF 4321 S SHORE BLVD, LAKE OSWEGO, OR 97034, HAS

FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF TIMBERLINE SOFTWARE CORP. (TICKER: TMBS) THROUGH GALLAGHER CAPITAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(TIMBERLINE SOFTWARE CORP. TEL: 503 626-6775)

-30- 435
#90229c0233 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH A BALIZER OF 208 TIERRA DEL SOL NW, ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87114, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,292 SHARES OF FIBERCHEM INC. (TICKER: FOCS) THROUGH R G DICKINSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 10, 1990.

(FIBERCHEM INC. TEL: 702 361-9873)

-30- 410
#90229c0234 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVE NOMMENSEN OF 410 17TH ST STE 1080, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 65,000 SHARES OF ASPEN WIND INC. (TICKER: AWND) THROUGH CHATFIELD DEAN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(ASPEN WIND INC. TEL: 303 629-0747)

-30- 407
#90229c0235 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT F THEILMAN OF 1800 EAST FLORENCE BLVD, CASA GRANDE, AZ 85226, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,333 SHARES OF SHAREDATA INC. (TICKER: SHRD) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(SHAREDATA INC. TEL: 602 961-7519)

-30- 418
#90229c0237 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD P KINCHELOE OF 8735 VISTA VIEW, DALLAS, TX 75243, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,499 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 401
#90229c0238 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD D KIMBALL OF 3288 WRIGHTWOOD DR, STUDIO CITY, CA 91604, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,200 SHARES OF WESTWOOD ONE INC. (TICKER: WONE) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(WESTWOOD ONE INC. TEL: 213 840-4000)

-30- 418
#90229c0239 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID SCATENA OF 655 MARINERS ISLAND BLVD, SUITE #304, SAN MATEO, CA 94404, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MET CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: MCAP) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(MET CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 750-4501)

-30- 422
#90229c0240 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFFREY C VERNON OF 2131 CAPITOL AVE #300, SACRAMENTO, CA 95816, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF STERLING MEDICAL SYS INC. (TICKER: SSYS) THROUGH SIMMONS & BISHOP CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(STERLING MEDICAL SYS INC. TEL: 801 975-9700)

-30- 442
#90229c0241 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VERNON JEFFREY C DDS INC PPP OF 2801 S 1935 WEST, WEST VALLEY CITY, UT 84119, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF STERLING MEDICAL SYS INC. (TICKER: SSYS) THROUGH SIMMONS & BISHOP CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(STERLING MEDICAL SYS INC. TEL: 801 975-9700)

-30- 468
#90229c0242 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN J GAUSE OF 2895 113TH ST, GRAND PRAIRIE, TX 75050, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF ALTAI INC. (TICKER: ALTI) THROUGH GREENMAN PARKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(ALTAI INC. TEL: 817 640-2337)

-30- 385
#90229c0243 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL S DIAMOND OF 3725 KINGS WAY, BOCA RATON, FL 33434, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF POLYMERIX INC. (TICKER: PLXX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(POLYMERIX INC. TEL: 201 633-7600)

-30- 405
#90229c0245 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 17, 1990, A.W. DITTMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC. (TICKER: BATT), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $4.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 550,880.

-30- 343
#90229c0246 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 13, 1990, G.A. TROUT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CODORUS VALLEY BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,460.

-30- 331
#90229c0247 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 2, 1990, R.M. BORDELON, DIR. OF FIRST BANCSHARES OF ST. LANDRY INC. SOLD 425 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,497.

-30- 325
#90229c0248 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 2, 1990, R.M. BORDELON, DIR. OF FIRST BANCSHARES OF ST. LANDRY INC. BOUGHT 425 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 328
#90229c0249 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, NAZARETH NATL BANK & TRUST ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST COLONIAL GROUP INC. BOUGHT 241 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90229c0250 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, NAZARETH NATL BANK & TRUST ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST COLONIAL GROUP INC. BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90229c0251 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, NAZARETH NATL BANK & TRUST ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST COLONIAL GROUP INC. BOUGHT 167 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90229c0253 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 20, 1990, G.R. HOLTE, DIR. OF ORANGE NATIONAL BANCORP BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90229c0254 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 24, 1990, G.R. HOLTE, DIR. OF ORANGE NATIONAL BANCORP BOUGHT

500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,008.

-30- 299
#90229c0255 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 22, 1990, P.H. BRAY, DIR. OF OLD POINT FINANCIAL CORP BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $47.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 298
#90229c0256 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 11, 1990, W.R. ROSSER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF OLD POINT FINANCIAL CORP. SOLD 100 SHARES AT $49.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 835.

-30- 324
#90229c0257 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 18, 1990, R.H. HUNT, DIR. OF S.Y. BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,180.

-30- 284
#90229c0258 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 6, 1990, M.E. NEMER, DIR. OF CBT CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,584.

-30- 268
#90229c0259 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, R.W. HUTCHINS, DIR. OF CENTURY BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: CNBH) BOUGHT 695 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 695.

-30- 316
#90229c0261 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 13, 1990, W.T. HOLLOWAY JR, DIR. OF VOLUNTEER BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: VOLB) BOUGHT 899 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,431.

-30- 327
#90229c0262 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 27, 1990, C.E. HOTTE, CHAIRMAN OF HOMECARE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: HMSI), SOLD 138,800 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,778,346.

-30- 334
#90229c0263 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 1, 1990, J.R. PERRETTE, CHAIRMAN OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), BOUGHT 22,857 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,843,445.

-30- 319
#90229c0264 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, J.R. PERRETTE, CHAIRMAN OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), SOLD 203,787 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90229c0265 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, J.R. PERRETTE, CHAIRMAN OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), SOLD 161,340 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90229c0266 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, J.R. PERRETTE, CHAIRMAN OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), SOLD 64,477 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90229c0267 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 1, 1990, I.R. SOUEDE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), BOUGHT 22,857 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,843,445.

-30- 338
#90229c0269 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, I.R. SOUEDE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), SOLD 161,340 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90229c0270 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, I.R. SOUEDE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), SOLD 64,477 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90229c0271 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 13, 1990, D.J. MELVIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NIX-O-TINE PHARMACEUTICALS LTD. (TICKER: NIXX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90229c0272 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, D.J. MELVIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NIX-O-TINE PHARMACEUTICALS LTD. (TICKER: NIXX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 97,950.

-30- 359
#90229c0273 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 25, 1990, G.A. APPLEBY, DIR. OF PRECISION AEROTECH INC.

(TICKER: PAR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 284,550.

-30- 322
#90229c0274 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 5, 1990, J.D. GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.67 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90229c0275 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, J.D. GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90229c0277 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, J.D. GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90229c0278 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, J.D. GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90229c0279 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, J.D. GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.54 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,463.

-30- 316
#90229c0280 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB. 26, 1990, E.H. WEITZEN, PRES. OF U.S. BANKNOTE CORP. (TICKER: UBK), SOLD 113,171 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,649.

-30- 316
#90229c0281 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, T.L. WAHLEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTSHARES OF TEXAS INC. BOUGHT 917 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90229c0282 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 12, 1990, T.L. WAHLEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTSHARES OF TEXAS INC. BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 245,983.

-30- 336
#90229c0283 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 27, 1990, M. LAWER, VP OF RT ACQUISITION ASSOCIATES INC. BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 299
#90229c0285 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, A.A. NOVAK, VP OF RT ACQUISITION ASSOCIATES INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 304
#90229c0286 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 6, 1990, E G WILKINSON JR, PRES. OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC. DELAWARE (TICKER: HEBC) BOUGHT 280 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,629.

-30- 330
#90229c0287 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, C.R. HUBBARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP INC. MARIETTA (OH) SOLD 100 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90229c0288 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, C.R. HUBBARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP INC. MARIETTA OHIO, SOLD 254 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20.

-30- 339
#90229c0289 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 8, 1989, G.R. ARNOLD, PRES. OF SIERRA MONITOR CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90229c0290 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, W.G. MYERS, DIR. OF LEVY BANCORP BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90229c0291 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, W.G. MYERS, DIR. OF LEVY BANCORP BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90229c0293 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, R.L. GALUSHA, DIR. OF ACNB CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,105.

-30- 273
#90229c0294 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, W.E. LAU, DIR. OF ACNB CORP. BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,756.

-30- 265
#90229c0295 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, W.B. LOWER, DIR. OF ACNB CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,647.

-30- 269
#90229c0296 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, J.F. ABELY, VP OF LOJACK BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 265
#90229c0297 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, W.C. HINKLE JR, VP OF HANCOCK HOLDING CO BOUGHT 1,040 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,049.

-30- 311
#90229c0298 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 25, 1989, R.H. BRADLEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON PRIVATE BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90229c0299 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 13, 1989, R.H. BRADLEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON PRIVATE BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 375 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER

SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,409.

-30- 367
#90229c0301 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 13, 1989, H. DUDE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON PRIVATE BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 375 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,410.

-30- 333
#90229c0302 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 14, 1988, W.C. MCLEOD, SHAREHOLDER OF BOSTON PRIVATE BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90229c0303 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP. 29, 1989, W.C. MCLEOD, SHAREHOLDER OF BOSTON PRIVATE BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,100.

-30- 321
#90229c0304 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 25, 1989, THE 495 GROUP, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON PRIVATE BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90229c0305 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 13, 1989, THE 495 GROUP, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON PRIVATE BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 375 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,410.

-30- 333
#90229c0306 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 27, 1990, R.C. SHERBURNE, DIR. OF ZERO CORP. (TICKER: ZRO), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90229c0307 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 2,307,000 SHARES (11.77%) OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC (TICKER: MEDC) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT: No other significant information was included.

-30- 380
#90229c0309 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J. REGAN OF OWNS 400,000 SHARES (6.90%) OF AMERICAN SPORTS ADVISORS INC (TICKER: PIKS).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Great American Pastime Inc. was later acquired by American Sports Advisors on Jan. 26, 1990, and about the same time, Justine Regan exchanged 7.5 shares of preferred stock of Great American Pastime for 400,000 shares of American Sports Advisors. In addition, as a result of the changeover of control, Charles Aronson and Michael Aronson and Theodore Wexler became the directors of American Sports Advisors and Eric Dubin became secretary of American Sports Advisors. On Jan. 8, 1990, the board passed a resolution to reverse split the outstanding shares of American Sports Advisors from 8,511,967 shares to 851,197 shares. The par value of American Sports Advisors 's shares remains the same, the stated capital was reduced but the capital surplus was increased, resulting in no change to shareholder equity.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On or about Jan. 5, 1990, Justin Regan purchased 7.5 shares of preferred stock of Great American Pastime Inc. for $100,000.

PURPOSE:

Control changeover.

-30- 1340
#90229c0310 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GREAT AMERICAN PASTIME INC OWNS 400,000 SHARES (6.90%) OF AMERICAN SPORTS ADVISORS INC (TICKER: PIKS).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Jan. 8, 1990 the shares of American Sports Advisors Inc. were reverse split on a one-for-ten basis and as a result Great American Pastime Inc. was issued 198,677 shares of American Sports Advisors Inc.'s restricted stock, and Great American Pastime Inc. was later acquired by American Sports Advisors Inc. on Jan. 26, 1990 and is American Sports Advisors Inc.'s sole operating subsidiary. In addition, as a result of the changeover of control, Charles Aronson and Michael Aronson and Theodore Wexler became the directors of American Sports Advisors Inc. and Eric Dubin became secretary of American Sports Advisors Inc.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Jan. 5, 1990, Great American Pastime Inc. purchased 1,986,777 shares of restricted stock of the issuer from Royce Kanofsky and Robert Nathanson for a purchase price of $100,000.

PURPOSE:

Changeover of control of American Sports Advisors Inc. and acquisition.

-30- 1263
#90229c0311 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

K. CALVIN S OF ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND OWNS 192,553 SHARES (6.80%) OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: CPTD) OF ROCKVILLE, MD.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Koonce is owner of all outstanding shares of Koonce Securities Inc.

which holds 17,343 shares of Computer Data Systems Inc.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 7, 1990, K. Calvin S purchased 30,000 shares at a price of $9.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 623
#90229c0312 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY J.H. REICH OF GROUP LED BY NEW YORK, NY OWNS 2,056,469 SHARES (42.68%) OF PCA INTL INC (TICKER: PCAI) OF MATTHEWS, NC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 26, 1990 and Aug. 9, 1990, J.H. Reich purchased 194,308 shares of common stock at a price of $6.63 to $7.25 per share.

-30- 551
#90229c0313 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 2,010,737 SHARES (4.94%) OF FEDERAL PAPERBOARD INC (TICKER: FBO) OF MONTVALE, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

FMR is no longer the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the number of shares outstanding and, therefore, has no further reporting obligation under section 13d of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or the SEC rules and regulations.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 6 and 8, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 32,000 shares at a price of $18.87 to $19 per share and sold 111,100 shares at a price of $18.93 to $20.03 per share.

-30- 766
#90229c0314 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In July 1990, Pennzoil (TICKER: PZL) filed a notification and report form pursuant to the HSR Act with the FTC and the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice with respect to its intention, dependant upon prevailing market prices, to purchase additional shares from time to time with remaining portions of the Texaco net settlement proceeds. Pennzoil stated that additional purchases would be limited so that its holdings would not equal or exceed 10 percent of the total number of shares outstanding. Pennzoil expects to provide the FTC with the requested material as promptly as practicable and is also providing information to the FTC relating to Pennzoil's reliance on the investment exemption of Section 7A(c)(9) and rule 802.9 under the HSR Act in connection with its purchase of 31,524,500 shares in 1989.

PURPOSE:

Intent to purchasing of shares.

-30- 1108
#90229c0316 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 778,900 SHARES (14.46%) OF NORTANKERS INC (TICKER: VLC) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 354
#90229c0318 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

MERCURY ASSET MANAGEMENT GROUP PLC OWNS 1,040,000 SHARES (11.10%) OF ENERGY VENTURES INC (TICKER: ENGY) OF HOUSTON, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From June 18 to July 6, 1990, Mercury Asset Management Group PLC purchased 35,000 shares on June 18, 1990 for $18 per share and sold 145,000 shares for $18 to $20.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 568
#90229c0319 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 209,500 SHARES (5.20%) OF COGNEX CORP (TICKER: CGNX) OF NEEDHAM, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 3 and 6, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 15,000 shares at a price of $28 to $30.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 450
#90229c0320 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 450,661 SHARES (11.51%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 25 and 27, 1990, FMR Corp. sold 14,000 shares at a price of $22.77 per share and purchased 8,161 shares at a price of $9.55 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 513
#90229c0321 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In press releases dated Aug. 16, 1990, the Kansas Gas and Electric Co. (TICKER:KGE) has requested both, the Kansas Corporation Commission and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), to reject the application of Kansas City Power & Light Co. for approval to acquire all classes of the capital stock of KG&E and to deny KCP&L's motion to an expedited hearing and order from the Commission; and, to allow KG&E to intervene as an interested party and to reject the application by KCPL for approval of its attempt to acquire KG&E through a tender offer for all outstanding shares of KG&E's common and preferred stock, respectively. KG&E noted that its board has not consented to the filing of KCP&L's application and states that Section 203 of the Federal Power Act was never intended to facilitate the hostile takeover of one public utility by another.

-30- 1101
#90229c0322 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHARLES H PRICE II, CHAIRMAN OF AMERIBANC INC. (TICKER: ABNK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 165,672.

-30- 316
#90229c0323 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, WILLIAM H EMMONS, DIV. OFFICER OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), SOLD 850 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,250.

-30- 320
#90229c0324 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, JAMES L JACKSON, OFFICER OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90229c0326 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1990, RICHARD L FRANYO, DIR. OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), BOUGHT 376 SHARES AT $13.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 182,332.

-30- 310
#90229c0327 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JAMES L YOUNG, VP OF ACAP CORP. (TICKER: ACAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 286
#90229c0328 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, CAROL L BERNICK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALBERTO-CULVER

CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 110,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90229c0329 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, CAROL L BERNICK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90229c0330 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, CAROL L BERNICK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90229c0331 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, CAROL L BERNICK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,810.

-30- 341
#90229c0332 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, HOWARD B BERNICK, PRES. OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 110,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90229c0334 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, HOWARD B BERNICK, PRES. OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90229c0335 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, HOWARD B BERNICK, PRES. OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,810.

-30- 318
#90229c0336 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, NEILSON DENNIS, DIR. OF ADVANCE CIRCUITS INC. (TICKER: ADVC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90229c0337 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, NEILSON DENNIS, DIR. OF ADVANCE CIRCUITS INC. (TICKER: ADVC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,750.

-30- 315
#90229c0338 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, CRAIG A BRUMFIELD, VP OF ATLANTIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,542.

-30- 309
#90229c0339 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, ROBERT L DIENER, PRES. OF AMERICAN HEALTH PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: AHE), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,387.

-30- 340
#90229c0340 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 31, 1988, PATRICK J FOLEY, SHAREHOLDER OF AMERICAN INTL GROUP INC. (TICKER: AIG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $56.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,351.

-30- 336
#90229c0342 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WILLIAM H MCALEER, VP OF ALDUS CORP. (TICKER: ALDC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90229c0343 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, EARL R BRYANT, DIR. OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS), SOLD 27,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,260.

-30- 303
#90229c0344 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, RONALD L STANFA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS), SOLD 29,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 183,500.

-30- 331
#90229c0345 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, HAROLD M WILLIAMS, DIR. OF AMERICAN MEDICAL HLDGS INC. (TICKER: AMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90229c0346 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HAROLD M WILLIAMS, DIR. OF AMERICAN MEDICAL HLDGS INC. (TICKER: AMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,057.

-30- 332
#90229c0347 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, THOMAS L NEWBERRY, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: AMSW), SOLD 37,500 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90229c0348 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, DAVID L SWIFT, PRES. OF ACME-CLEVELAND CORP. (TICKER: AMT), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,721.

-30- 308
#90229c0350 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN L COMPARIN, OFFICER OF ALLTEL CORP. (TICKER: AT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 299
#90229c0351 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, WARREN D STANFORD, VP OF AMAX GOLD INC. (TICKER: AU), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90229c0352 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, PAUL W ALDERDICE, VP OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 1,692 SHARES AT $25.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90229c0353 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, PAUL W ALDERDICE, VP OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 3,080 SHARES AT $26.72 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,228.

-30- 334

#90229c0354 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ROBERT S MAUST, DIR. OF ALAMCO INC. (TICKER: AXO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90229c0355 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, ROBERT S MAUST, DIR. OF ALAMCO INC. (TICKER: AXO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,200.

-30- 294
#90229c0356 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, ROBERT S MAUST, DIR. OF ALAMCO INC. (TICKER: AXO), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 292
#90229c0358 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, MICHAEL S HESCHEL, SHAREHOLDER OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 17,100 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,439.

-30- 335
#90229c0359 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ROBERT J SIMMONS, SHAREHOLDER OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90229c0360 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 23, 1990, MICHAEL A IVANICH, OFFICER OF BABBAGE'S INC. (TICKER: BBGS), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 305
#90229c0361 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HENRI A ROY, OFFICER OF BCE INC. (TICKER: BCE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $37.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 283
#90229c0362 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, CHARLES C MCGUIRE, VP OF FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: BEN), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 334.

-30- 314
#90229c0363 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, RONALD GALE, DIR. OF BETHLEHEM CORP. (TICKER: BET), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90229c0364 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, RONALD GALE, DIR. OF BETHLEHEM CORP. (TICKER: BET), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,000.

-30- 299
#90229c0366 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM R THOMPSON, DIR. OF BOSTON FIVE BANCORP. (TICKER: BFCS), BOUGHT 859 SHARES AT $3.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,449.

-30- 321
#90229c0367 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,850.

-30- 313
#90229c0368 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90229c0369 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 509,925.

-30- 326
#90229c0370 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90229c0371 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,844,350.

-30- 333
#90229c0372 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, M RAY HARROFF, DIR. OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 190,644.

-30- 311
#90229c0374 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, W BRUCE PHELPS, VP OF BOATMEN'S BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BOAT), SOLD 103 SHARES AT $30.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90229c0375 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, R PATRICK SHANNON, VP OF BOATMEN'S BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BOAT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,357.

-30- 322
#90229c0376 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ANDREW G PETITE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BOSTON ACOUSTICS INC. (TICKER: BOSA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90229c0377 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ANDREW G PETITE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BOSTON ACOUSTICS INC. (TICKER: BOSA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90229c0378 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ANDREW G PETITE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BOSTON ACOUSTICS INC. (TICKER: BOSA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90229c0379 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ANDREW G PETITE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BOSTON ACOUSTICS INC. (TICKER: BOSA), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 466,692.

-30- 343
#90229c0380 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1988, ROBERT N PRATT, PRES. OF BONNEVILLE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: BPCO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 317
#90229c0382 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $12.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90229c0383 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90229c0384 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,600.

-30- 334
#90229c0385 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, GLENN A ETHERINGTON, OFFICER OF BRITE VOICE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: BVSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 338
#90229c0386 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90229c0387 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90229c0388 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90229c0390 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90229c0391 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,565.

-30- 315
#90229c0392 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90229c0393 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 316
#90229c0394 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, VIRGILINE M SCHULTE, OFFICER OF CAPITOL TRANSAMERICA CORP. (TICKER: CATA), BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90229c0395 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, VIRGILINE M SCHULTE, OFFICER OF CAPITOL TRANSAMERICA CORP. (TICKER: CATA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90229c0396 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, CHARLES W DANIEL, DIR. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 119 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90229c0398 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, CORNELIUS W CURRAN, OFFICER OF CROWN CORK & SEAL CO. (TICKER: CCK), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $60.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90229c0399 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CORNELIUS W CURRAN, OFFICER OF CROWN CORK & SEAL CO. (TICKER: CCK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $61.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,507.

-30- 326
#90229c0400 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ANGELO R MOZILO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE CREDIT INDUSTRY INC. (TICKER: CCR), SOLD 6,800 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90229c0401 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ANGELO R MOZILO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE CREDIT INDUSTRY INC. (TICKER: CCR), SOLD 3,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90229c0402 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ANGELO R MOZILO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE CREDIT INDUSTRY INC. (TICKER: CCR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 364,366.

-30- 354
#90229c0403 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,000.

-30- 318
#90229c0404 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, PHILIP H ESSNER, OFFICER OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,092.

-30- 324
#90229c0406 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THOMAS R GLASS, DIR. OF CENTRAL FIDELITY BANKS INC.

(TICKER: CFBS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,225.

-30- 328
#90229c0407 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, GERALD C DORAN, DIR. OF CHERNE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: CHNE), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90229c0408 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, GERALD C DORAN, DIR. OF CHERNE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: CHNE), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90229c0409 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, GERALD C DORAN, DIR. OF CHERNE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: CHNE), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 313
#90229c0410 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RICHARD YAGODA, OFFICER OF COMPUTER HORIZONS CORP. (TICKER: CHRZ), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $13.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90229c0411 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RICHARD YAGODA, OFFICER OF COMPUTER HORIZONS CORP. (TICKER: CHRZ), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $13.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90229c0412 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, RICHARD YAGODA, OFFICER OF COMPUTER HORIZONS CORP. (TICKER: CHRZ), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90229c0414 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ROBERT M BEALL, DIR. OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,976.

-30- 318
#90229c0415 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, GARY N GEISEL, VP OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 315
#90229c0416 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, WOODROW W MILLER, DIR. OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 384,329.

-30- 329
#90229c0417 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, ALFRED H SMITH JR, CHAIRMAN OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90229c0418 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ALFRED H SMITH JR, CHAIRMAN OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 337,798.

-30- 335
#90229c0419 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JEFFREY R SPRINGER, PRES. OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,172.

-30- 329
#90229c0420 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JEFFREY R SPRINGER, PRES. OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,098.

-30- 331
#90229c0422 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RODERICK L TURNER, VP OF COLGATE-PALMOLIVE CO. (TICKER: CL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $70.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,348.

-30- 317
#90229c0423 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RODERICK L TURNER, VP OF COLGATE-PALMOLIVE CO. (TICKER: CL), SOLD 18,232 SHARES AT $70.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,099.

-30- 318
#90229c0424 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90229c0425 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,525,962.

-30- 314
#90229c0426 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, G GILMER MINOR III, DIR. OF CRESTAR FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CRFC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $22.83 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 321
#90229c0427 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, WILLIAM B NEWMAN JR, VP OF CONSOLIDATED RAIL CORP. (TICKER: CRR), SOLD 291 SHARES AT $48.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 519.

-30- 314
#90229c0428 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, C WOODROW REA, DIR. OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90229c0430 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, & SOUTHERN HOLD PS&TF CENTRAL, DIR. OF CENTRAL & SOUTHERN HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CSBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,080.

-30- 354
#90229c0431 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, SOLOMON S STEINER, PRES. OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90229c0432 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, SOLOMON S STEINER, PRES. OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 755,046.

-30- 345
#90229c0433 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 14, 1990, NEIL D HUMPHREY, DIR. OF COMMERCIAL INTERTECH CORP. (TICKER: CTEK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,679.

-30- 326
#90229c0434 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 31, 1989, GEORGE E KLINE, DIR. OF CYBEROPTICS CORP. (TICKER: CYBE), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $6.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,000.

-30- 311
#90229c0435 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 29, 1990, GEORGE E KLINE, DIR. OF CYBEROPTICS CORP. (TICKER: CYBE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.17 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90229c0436 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 30, 1990, GEORGE E KLINE, DIR. OF CYBEROPTICS CORP. (TICKER: CYBE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.17 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,000.

-30- 311
#90229c0438 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, GEORGE E KLINE, DIR. OF CYBEROPTICS CORP. (TICKER: CYBE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90229c0439 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, GEORGE E KLINE, DIR. OF CYBEROPTICS CORP. (TICKER: CYBE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90229c0440 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, GEORGE E KLINE, DIR. OF CYBEROPTICS CORP. (TICKER: CYBE), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $5.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90229c0441 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 30, 1990, GEORGE E KLINE, DIR. OF CYBEROPTICS CORP. (TICKER: CYBE), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 104,000.

-30- 311
#90229c0442 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT G POTTER, DIR. OF CRAY RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: CYR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250.

-30- 305
#90229c0443 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, PHILLIP DASH, DIR. OF DASH INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DASH), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 303
#90229c0444 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DONALD E LEWIS, DIR. OF DATAIMAGE INC. (TICKER: DATA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90229c0446 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, VALUE EQUITY ASSOC I LP, BEN. OWNER OF DEVON GROUP INC. (TICKER: DEVN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,180,700.

-30- 343
#90229c0447 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ARTHUR ROCK, DIR. OF DIASONICS INC. (TICKER: DIA), SOLD 3,341 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90229c0448 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ARTHUR ROCK, DIR. OF DIASONICS INC. (TICKER: DIA), SOLD 4,388 SHARES AT $3.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90229c0449 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ARTHUR ROCK, DIR. OF DIASONICS INC. (TICKER: DIA), SOLD 5,139 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90229c0450 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ARTHUR ROCK, DIR. OF DIASONICS INC. (TICKER: DIA), SOLD 134,200 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,281,434.

-30- 301
#90229c0451 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 1,689 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90229c0452 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 1,689 SHARES AT $23.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90229c0454 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 768 SHARES AT $23.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90229c0455 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 2,303 SHARES AT $23.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90229c0456 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 1,689 SHARES AT $23.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90229c0457 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 307 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 6,802,111.

-30- 334
#90229c0458 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 201 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90229c0459 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 201 SHARES AT $23.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90229c0460 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 201 SHARES AT $23.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90229c0462 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 201 SHARES AT $23.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90229c0463 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $21.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90229c0464 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER:

DJ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,810,617.

-30- 304
#90229c0465 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, KENNETH W BITTICKS, DIR. OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90229c0466 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, KENNETH W BITTICKS, DIR. OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,035.

-30- 343
#90229c0467 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, THOMAS L BARNARD, OFFICER OF DELTONA CORP. (TICKER: DLT), SOLD 3,590 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 307
#90229c0468 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JAMES M STACKPOOLE, OFFICER OF DELTONA CORP. (TICKER: DLT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90229c0470 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, GEORGE P SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90229c0471 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, GEORGE P SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90229c0472 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, GEORGE P SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90229c0473 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, GEORGE P SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90229c0474 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, GEORGE P SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 291,500.

-30- 325
#90229c0475 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, JOSEPH H CARTER, PRES. OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,264.

-30- 301
#90229c0476 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, DONALD F DAY, CHAIRMAN OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 306
#90229c0478 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 3,700 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90229c0479 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 6,300 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90229c0480 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90229c0481 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90229c0482 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90229c0483 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90229c0484 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 6,100 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90229c0486 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90229c0487 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90229c0488 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90229c0489 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 694,759.

-30- 319
#90229c0490 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, BEN S READ JR, DIR. OF DEL-VAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVL), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90229c0491 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, BEN S READ JR, DIR. OF DEL-VAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVL), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 313
#90229c0492 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, ELIAS ZINN, CHAIRMAN OF ENTERTAINMENT MARKETING INC. (TICKER: EM), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,292,200.

-30- 332
#90229c0494 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DENIS R BURGER, SHAREHOLDER OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90229c0495 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, DENIS R BURGER, SHAREHOLDER OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT), SOLD 11,700 SHARES AT $9.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90229c0496 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, DENIS R BURGER, SHAREHOLDER OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $9.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90229c0497 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, DENIS R BURGER, SHAREHOLDER OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90229c0498 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, DENIS R BURGER, SHAREHOLDER OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90229c0499 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, DENIS R BURGER, SHAREHOLDER OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90229c0500 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, DENIS R BURGER, SHAREHOLDER OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 277,434.

-30- 313
#90229c0502 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, CATESBY C JONES, DIR. OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90229c0503 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, CATESBY C JONES, DIR. OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90229c0504 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, CATESBY C JONES, DIR. OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,600.

-30- 329
#90229c0505 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, GRANTOR TRUST 2/29/84, BEN. OWNER OF FARM & HOME FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FAHS), SOLD 1,493 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90229c0506 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, JOHN SLOAN JR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,102.

-30- 316
#90229c0507 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ELIZABETH A DALTON, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP. OF OHIO (TICKER: FBOH), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 748.

-30- 335
#90229c0508 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, HOWARD L FLOOD, PRES. OF FIRST BANCORP. OF OHIO (TICKER: FBOH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,772.

-30- 320
#90229c0510 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, KENNETH A MACKE, DIR. OF FIRST BANK SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FBS), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,943.

-30- 314
#90229c0511 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, EDWARD R NAUMES, VP OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TEXAS (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 324
#90229c0512 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, EDWARD R NAUMES, VP OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TEXAS (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 324
#90229c0513 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0514 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0515 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0516 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0518 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0519 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0520 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0521 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,675.

-30- 329
#90229c0522 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, KENNETH R BEARDEN, PRES. OF FIRST CENTENNIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90229c0523 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, KENNETH R BEARDEN, PRES. OF FIRST CENTENNIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,237,125.

-30- 331
#90229c0524 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, KIRK FAMILY TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST CENTENNIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90229c0526 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, BEN ALLEN, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLR), BOUGHT 1,395 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,666.

-30- 312
#90229c0527 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, CECIL W CUPP JR, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLR), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 292,029.

-30- 320
#90229c0528 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, ROBERT D NABHOLZ, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,095.

-30- 324
#90229c0529 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JUDITH L ESTRIN, DIR. OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $39.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 316
#90229c0530 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, TED R LENNON, DIR. OF FIRSTFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FED), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,362.

-30- 322
#90229c0531 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, TED R LENNON, DIR. OF FIRSTFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FED), BOUGHT 1,050 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,862.

-30- 322
#90229c0532 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, LARRY D WARD, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90229c0534 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, LARRY D WARD, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $38.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90229c0535 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, LARRY D WARD, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $38.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90229c0536 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, LARRY D WARD, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $38.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90229c0537 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOSEPH V MARTO, OFFICER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 330
#90229c0538 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, VAN E ALLEN, DIR. OF FIRST FEDERAL FINL CORP.(KY) (TICKER: FFKY), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90229c0539 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, VAN E ALLEN, DIR. OF FIRST FEDERAL FINL CORP.(KY) (TICKER: FFKY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90229c0540 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, VAN E ALLEN, DIR. OF FIRST FEDERAL FINL CORP.(KY) (TICKER: FFKY), SOLD 6,800 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90229c0542 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, WAYNE G OVERALL JR, PRES. OF FIRST FEDERAL FINL CORP.(KY) (TICKER: FFKY), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90229c0543 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, WAYNE G OVERALL JR, PRES. OF FIRST FEDERAL FINL CORP.(KY) (TICKER: FFKY), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,726.

-30- 337
#90229c0544 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DUDLEY C MECUM, DIR. OF FINGERHUT COS. (TICKER: FHT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 295
#90229c0545 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOHN A HOAG, VP OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 1,781 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90229c0546 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOHN A HOAG, VP OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 1,781 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,312.

-30- 307
#90229c0547 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, FUJIO MATSUDA, DIR. OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 309
#90229c0548 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, OLIVER H HAGEN, PRES. OF FIRST INTERSTATE OF IOWA INC. (TICKER: FIIA), BOUGHT 1,238 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,964.

-30- 336
#90229c0550 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, WILLIAM F SHULL, DIR. OF FINANCIAL TRUST CORP. (TICKER: FITC), BOUGHT 105 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,725.

-30- 312
#90229c0551 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT B DALE, VP OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,959.

-30- 307
#90229c0552 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT B DALE, VP OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,200.

-30- 313
#90229c0553 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RICHARD W CARPENTER, DIR. OF FIRST LIBERTY FINANCIAL CORP. (GA) (TICKER: FLFC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90229c0554 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RICHARD W CARPENTER, DIR. OF FIRST LIBERTY FINANCIAL CORP. (GA) (TICKER: FLFC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,094.

-30- 349
#90229c0555 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RICHARD P KLUG, CHAIRMAN OF F & M FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP.(WI) (TICKER: FMFS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,122.

-30- 337
#90229c0556 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, JAMES O SMITH, OFFICER OF F & M FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP.(WI) (TICKER: FMFS), BOUGHT 170 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,202.

-30- 337
#90229c0558 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, NED P BRAFFORD, DIR. OF FIRST FEDERAL SVGS BANK PERRY (FL) (TICKER: FPRY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,939.

-30- 349
#90229c0559 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN H PARKER JR, DIR. OF FIRST FEDERAL SVGS BANK PERRY (FL) (TICKER: FPRY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,939.

-30- 349
#90229c0560 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JIMMY K STEGALL, DIR. OF FIRST SECURITY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FSFC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90229c0561 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JIMMY K STEGALL, DIR. OF FIRST SECURITY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FSFC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,161.

-30- 337
#90229c0562 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0563 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0564 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,736 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0566 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 625 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90229c0567 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 375 SHARES AT $28.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90229c0568 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.

(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 375 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90229c0569 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.
(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 625 SHARES AT $28.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90229c0570 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.
(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 625 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90229c0571 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.
(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,310 SHARES AT $28.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0572 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.
(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,186 SHARES AT $28.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0574 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.
(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $28.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0575 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.

(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,350 SHARES AT $28.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0576 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.
(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,250 SHARES AT $28.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0577 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.
(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90229c0578 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.
(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0579 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.
(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,125 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0580 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.
(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,875 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0582 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.

(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 313 SHARES AT $29.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90229c0583 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.
(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,275 SHARES AT $29.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0584 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP.
(TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,125 SHARES AT $29.49 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 3,101,083.

-30- 332
#90229c0585 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RUFUS A FULTON JR, PRES. OF FULTON FINANCIAL CORP.
(TICKER: FULT), BOUGHT 342 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 3,928.

-30- 320
#90229c0586 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RUFUS A FULTON JR, PRES. OF FULTON FINANCIAL CORP.
(TICKER: FULT), SOLD 342 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 1,731.

-30- 321
#90229c0587 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, CLYDE W HORST, DIR. OF FULTON FINANCIAL CORP.
(TICKER: FULT), BOUGHT 463 SHARES AT $16.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 39,350.

-30- 313

#90229c0588 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, CAROLINE S NUNAN, DIR. OF FULTON FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FULT), BOUGHT 334 SHARES AT $16.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,193.

-30- 317
#90229c0590 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WILLIAM K HALL, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 77,800 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,174,725.

-30- 369
#90229c0591 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, WILLIAM K HALL, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 364
#90229c0592 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, WILLIAM K HALL, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,252,525.

-30- 371
#90229c0593 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RALPH A LINTZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GNW FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GNWF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 328
#90229c0594 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN A FORLINES JR, CHAIRMAN OF BANK OF GRANITE CORP. (TICKER: GRAN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 174,000.

-30- 331
#90229c0595 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, KATHRYN E DEMOSS, SHAREHOLDER OF THE GILLETTE CO. (TICKER: GS), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $58.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90229c0596 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DON M CASTO III, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 148 SHARES AT $17.39 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90229c0598 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 10, 1989, DENNIS RYAN, OFFICER OF HOME DEPOT INC. (TICKER: HD), BOUGHT 137 SHARES AT $36.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90229c0599 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, BETTE R ROGERS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ELECTRIC & GAS TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: ELGT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 392,038.

-30- 371
#90229c0600 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, DAVID L WHELAN, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90229c0601 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, DAVID L WHELAN, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,324,805.

-30- 340
#90229c0602 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, HARVEY A WEINBERG, CHAIRMAN OF HARTMARX CORP. (TICKER: HMX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,882.

-30- 315
#90229c0603 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, MARY B MARSDEN, DIR. OF HOMASOTE CO. (TICKER: HOM), SOLD 167 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,619.

-30- 294
#90229c0604 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, INCAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF HQ OFFICE INTL INC. (TICKER: HQOI), BOUGHT 36,500 SHARES AT $1.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,500.

-30- 314
#90229c0606 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 22, 1989, JEFFREY M TOLK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RAPITECH SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RPSY), BOUGHT 1,666 SHARES AT $0.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,666.

-30- 341
#90229c0607 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JOHN P COSAERT, VP OF HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. (TICKER: HTLD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 315
#90229c0608 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1986, HERMAN SCHWARTZ, SHAREHOLDER OF HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. (TICKER: HTLD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90229c0609 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1989, HERMAN SCHWARTZ, SHAREHOLDER OF HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. (TICKER: HTLD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 328
#90229c0610 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DENNIS D THOMPSON, VP OF HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC. (TICKER: HTLD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 319
#90229c0611 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, KEVIN E GAGE, SHAREHOLDER OF HOMETOWN BANCORP. (TICKER: HTWN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 316
#90229c0612 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JASPER L HOLLAND, VP OF HUGHES SUPPLY INC. (TICKER: HUG), SOLD 7,729 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90229c0614 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RALPH E CRUMP, CHAIRMAN OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 210,062.

-30- 362
#90229c0615 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RALPH E CRUMP, CHAIRMAN OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 210,062.

-30- 364
#90229c0616 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, RAYMOND F BENTELE, VP OF IMCERA GROUP INC. (TICKER: IMA), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $58.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90229c0617 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, RAYMOND F BENTELE, VP OF IMCERA GROUP INC. (TICKER: IMA), SOLD 3,300 SHARES AT $58.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 308
#90229c0618 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 14, 1990, ARCH B GILBERT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERWEST MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: IMCO), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90229c0619 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RALPH E CRUMP, OFFICER AND DIR. OF IMTEC INC. (TICKER: IMTC), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $4.32 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 318
#90229c0620 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, CARL R BEIDLEMAN, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: INBC), BOUGHT 169 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,209.

-30- 336
#90229c0622 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, GEORGE V LYNETT, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: INBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90229c0623 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, GEORGE V LYNETT, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: INBC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90229c0624 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, GEORGE V LYNETT, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: INBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,089.

-30- 334
#90229c0625 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, MARK STUART BROIN, VP OF INTERNATIONAL DAIRY QUEEN INC. (TICKER: INDQ), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $60.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,056.

-30- 324
#90229c0626 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, FRANK K BRADFORD JR, VP OF INDEX TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: INDX), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,560.

-30- 321
#90229c0627 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DALE S KELLEY, VP OF INTERMEC CORP. (TICKER: INTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 296
#90229c0628 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, DAVID M LANK, DIR. OF ISOMEDIX INC. (TICKER: ISMX), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,000.

-30- 294
#90229c0630 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, MARK K ROSENFELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $20.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 821,042.

-30- 369
#90229c0631 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, ROBERT L ROSENFELD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $20.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 821,042.

-30- 353
#90229c0632 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, JPM STOCK FD TRUST DPSP, BEN. OWNER OF MORGAN (J.P.) & CO. (TICKER: JPM), SOLD 5,856 SHARES AT $37.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,312,903.

-30- 349
#90229c0633 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, TTEE OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 15,771 SHARES AT $26.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90229c0634 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, TTEE OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 33,484 SHARES AT $26.83 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90229c0635 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, TTEE OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 32,600 SHARES AT $26.43 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90229c0636 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, TTEE OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 40,027 SHARES AT $26.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90229c0638 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, ROBERT T HILL III, VP OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,343.

-30- 314
#90229c0639 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, G CORSON ELLIS III, DIR. OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

14,000.

-30- 299
#90229c0640 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN C COURT, PRES. OF MULTI-COLOR CORP. (TICKER: LABL), SOLD 860 SHARES AT $10.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,910.

-30- 304
#90229c0641 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, PRESTON F HARDING, DIR. OF LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: LCBI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90229c0642 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, PRESTON F HARDING, DIR. OF LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: LCBI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 185,002.

-30- 338
#90229c0643 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JACK L BOWERS, DIR. OF LOCKHEED CORP. (TICKER: LK), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90229c0644 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JACK L BOWERS, DIR. OF LOCKHEED CORP. (TICKER: LK), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 295
#90229c0646 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, HOUSTON I FLOURNOY, DIR. OF LOCKHEED CORP. (TICKER: LK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 350.

-30- 300
#90229c0647 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, MALCOLM B CHANCEY JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LIBERTY NATL BANCORP INC.(KY) (TICKER: LNBC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90229c0648 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, MALCOLM B CHANCEY JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LIBERTY NATL BANCORP INC.(KY) (TICKER: LNBC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,250.

-30- 365
#90229c0649 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 02, 1990, GARY W DEHART, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SURETY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: LOAN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90229c0650 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 08, 1990, GARY W DEHART, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SURETY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: LOAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90229c0651 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, GARY W DEHART, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SURETY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: LOAN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 962,481.

-30- 346
#90229c0652 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1990, GARY W DEHART, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SURETY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: LOAN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 355,413.

-30- 344
#90229c0654 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ALVIN B BEAL, DIR. OF LUBY'S CAFETERIAS INC. (TICKER: LUB), SOLD 14,500 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90229c0655 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, HAROLD D DAY JR, OFFICER OF LUBY'S CAFETERIAS INC. (TICKER: LUB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90229c0656 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, GORDON C LUCE, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90229c0657 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, GORDON C LUCE, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 2,400 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,200.

-30- 306
#90229c0658 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, WILFRED R EHRMANTRAUT, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS

INC. (TICKER: MAMS), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,800.

-30- 337
#90229c0659 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, LAWRENCE F PIGUONE, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 750 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,273.

-30- 328
#90229c0660 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ROBERT GARRETT, DIR. OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90229c0662 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT GARRETT, DIR. OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), SOLD 650 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,571.

-30- 300
#90229c0663 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JOHN R MILLER JR, DIR. OF MOBILE NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MBNC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,000.

-30- 315
#90229c0664 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JAY S STEIN, VP OF MCA INC. (TICKER: MCA), SOLD 1,600 SHARES AT $53.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 245

#90229c0665 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, FREDERICK KLEIN, OFFICER OF MEDCO CONTAINMENT SERVICES INC. (TICKER: MCCS), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 331
#90229c0666 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, BRADLEY E SPARKS, VP OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCIC), SOLD 883 SHARES AT $36.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90229c0667 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, BRADLEY E SPARKS, VP OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCIC), SOLD 188 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54.

-30- 313
#90229c0668 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, MCKESSON MASTER TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCKESSON CORP. (TICKER: MCK), SOLD 6,490 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90229c0670 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, SANFORD N MCDONNELL, DIR. OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $42.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90229c0671 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, SANFORD N MCDONNELL, DIR. OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $42.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,371.

-30- 328
#90229c0672 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, CHARLES M HALLINAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MED-CARE CORP. (TICKER: MDCC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,017,716.

-30- 361
#90229c0673 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, HAROLD G SPRIGGS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $3.83 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,533.

-30- 345
#90229c0674 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ALLEN B MORGAN JR, CHAIRMAN OF MORGAN KEEGAN INC. (TICKER: MOR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 664,996.

-30- 323
#90229c0675 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MORTON L TOPFER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $78.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90229c0676 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MORTON L TOPFER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $79.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90229c0678 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MORTON L TOPFER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $78.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90229c0679 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, MORTON L TOPFER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $80.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90229c0680 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, MORTON L TOPFER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $81.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90229c0681 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, MORTON L TOPFER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $80.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90229c0682 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, MORTON L TOPFER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $81.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,505.

-30- 296
#90229c0683 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, MERLE H BANTA, DIR. OF MARK CONTROLS CORP. (TICKER: MRCC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90229c0684 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, MERLE H BANTA, DIR. OF MARK CONTROLS CORP. (TICKER: MRCC), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,715.

-30- 309
#90229c0686 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, CHARLES J CAMPBELL, PRES. OF MUNSINGWEAR INC. (TICKER: MUN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 313
#90229c0687 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CHARLES H MURPHY JR, CHAIRMAN OF MURPHY OIL CORP. (TICKER: MUR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $43.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90229c0688 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CHARLES H MURPHY JR, CHAIRMAN OF MURPHY OIL CORP. (TICKER: MUR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $43.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,551,376.

-30- 322
#90229c0689 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90229c0690 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90229c0691 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90229c0692 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90229c0694 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90229c0695 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90229c0696 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90229c0697 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90229c0698 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 310,992.

-30- 308
#90229c0699 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, W L LYONS BROWN JR, DIR. OF NATIONAL CITY CORP. (TICKER: NCC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 311
#90229c0700 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, DONALD L MCCALL, SHAREHOLDER OF NEWMONT MINING CORP. (TICKER: NEM), SOLD 3,276 SHARES AT $47.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36.

-30- 324
#90229c0702 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1990, ROBERT F BALDOCK, DIR. OF NEVADA GOLDFIELDS CORP. (TICKER: NGFC), SOLD 4,220 SHARES AT $0.54 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 355,730.

-30- 324
#90229c0703 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, EVERETT R RENEY, DIR. OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THRIFT BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: NHTB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,700.

-30- 345
#90229c0704 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JOHN W FENTON JR, OFFICER OF NATIONAL COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: NLCS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90229c0705 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JOHN W FENTON JR, OFFICER OF NATIONAL COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: NLCS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90229c0706 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, EDGAR F CRUFT, CHAIRMAN OF NORD RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: NRD), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90229c0707 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, EDGAR F CRUFT, CHAIRMAN OF NORD RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: NRD), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90229c0708 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, EDGAR F CRUFT, CHAIRMAN OF NORD RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: NRD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90229c0710 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, RICHARD L STEINBERGER, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: NRD), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90229c0711 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, RICHARD L STEINBERGER, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: NRD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90229c0712 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RICHARD L STEINBERGER, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: NRD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90229c0713 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RICHARD L STEINBERGER, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: NRD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90229c0714 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RICHARD L STEINBERGER, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: NRD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90229c0715 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, RICHARD L STEINBERGER, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: NRD), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90229c0716 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, RICHARD L STEINBERGER, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: NRD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90229c0718 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, RICHARD L STEINBERGER, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: NRD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90229c0719 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, RICHARD L STEINBERGER, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: NRD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90229c0720 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, RICHARD L STEINBERGER, DIR. OF NORD RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: NRD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,894.

-30- 326
#90229c0721 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, WILMER J THOMAS, DIR. OF OAK HILL SPORTSWEAR CORP. (TICKER: OHSC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 136,120.

-30- 328
#90229c0722 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 30,350 SHARES AT $7.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90229c0723 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 786,685.

-30- 322
#90229c0724 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90229c0726 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90229c0727 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 2,650 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90229c0728 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90229c0729 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90229c0730 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90229c0731 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA TESS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 30,350 SHARES AT $7.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90229c0732 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA TESS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 773,285.

-30- 337
#90229c0734 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT O ORDERS, DIR. OF ONE VALLEY BANCORP OF WEST VIRGINIA INC. (TICKER: OVWV), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90229c0735 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, HAROLD H JOHNSON III, VP OF PROVIDENT BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: PBKS), BOUGHT 171 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,886.

-30- 324
#90229c0736 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, PETER G TOMBROS, VP OF PFIZER INC. (TICKER: PFE), SOLD 574 SHARES AT $73.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90229c0737 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, PETER G TOMBROS, VP OF PFIZER INC. (TICKER: PFE), SOLD 1,304 SHARES AT $73.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 290
#90229c0738 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, FRANKLIN H GREEN, DIV. OFFICER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), SOLD 2,229 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,349.

-30- 318
#90229c0739 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JODY FRANK, DIR. OF PEOPLE'S TELEPHONE CO. (TICKER: PTEL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 117,000.

-30- 329
#90229c0740 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, SAMUEL W RIZZO, DIR. OF CASH AMERICA INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: PWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,900.

-30- 331
#90229c0742 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, SAMUEL W RIZZO, DIR. OF CASH AMERICA INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: PWN), BOUGHT 1,190 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,139.

-30- 332
#90229c0743 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, DRURY J GALLAGHER, DIR. OF POWER SPECTRA INC. (TICKER: PWSP), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 227,444.

-30- 317

#90229c0744 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, RICHARD I KELTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PAY-FONE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PYF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 148,867.

-30- 343
#90229c0745 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RON BERGER, SHAREHOLDER OF RENTRAK CORP. (TICKER: RENT), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 408,537.

-30- 310
#90229c0746 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, DONALD A SACCARDI, OFFICER OF RIGGS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: RIGS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90229c0747 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DONALD A SACCARDI, OFFICER OF RIGGS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: RIGS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 317
#90229c0748 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOHN S DAVENPORT, VP OF RAC MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CORP. (TICKER: RMR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90229c0750 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, MARY B GREENBERG, BEN. OWNER OF ROCKY MOUNT UNDERGARMENT CO. (TICKER: RMUC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE,

BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 319,104.

-30- 352
#90229c0751 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, DAVID D TAFT, VP OF RAYCHEM CORP. (TICKER: RYC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,275.

-30- 290
#90229c0752 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, F THOMAS BALZER, OFFICER OF SAGE ANALYTICS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: SAII), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,250.

-30- 339
#90229c0753 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JOSEPH M CORVINO, OFFICER OF SUN DISTRIBUTORS LP (TICKER: SDP), BOUGHT 230 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,630.

-30- 321
#90229c0754 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JOSEPH M CORVINO, OFFICER OF SUN DISTRIBUTORS LP (TICKER: SDP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,185.

-30- 323
#90229c0755 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ALAN H MILLER, DIR. OF SEALED AIR CORP. (TICKER: SEE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $27.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101,605.

-30- 306

#90229c0756 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, FRED L SMITH, DIR. OF SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. (TICKER: SFD), SOLD 17,650 SHARES AT $33.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 739,533.

-30- 333
#90229c0758 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SHELDON M BONOVITZ, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,435.

-30- 345
#90229c0759 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 93,250.

-30- 294
#90229c0760 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ANDREW K LUDWICK, PRES. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90229c0761 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ANDREW K LUDWICK, PRES. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 757,162.

-30- 339
#90229c0762 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, PATRICK J AGNEW, PRES. OF ST. PAUL BANCORP INC.

(TICKER: SPBC), BOUGHT 241 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,797.

-30- 316
#90229c0763 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, PATRICK J AGNEW, PRES. OF ST. PAUL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SPBC), BOUGHT 216 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90229c0764 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, JOSEPH C SCULLY, CHAIRMAN OF ST. PAUL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SPBC), BOUGHT 120 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,284.

-30- 323
#90229c0766 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, MICHAEL E ROSEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHOP TELEVISION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: STNP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,768,350.

-30- 342
#90229c0767 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WILLIAM V MARTIN, CHAIRMAN OF SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO. (TICKER: SWN), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $35.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90229c0768 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, BRUCE J ALEXANDER, PRES. OF SOUTHWALL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SWTX), SOLD 7,180 SHARES AT $8.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90229c0769 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, BRUCE J ALEXANDER, PRES. OF SOUTHWALL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SWTX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 333
#90229c0770 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, MICHAEL R STANFIELD, PRES. OF TACOMA BOATBUILDING CO. (TICKER: TBO), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90229c0771 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, MICHAEL R STANFIELD, PRES. OF TACOMA BOATBUILDING CO. (TICKER: TBO), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90229c0772 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, MICHAEL R STANFIELD, PRES. OF TACOMA BOATBUILDING CO. (TICKER: TBO), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,686.

-30- 326
#90229c0774 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN N HATSOPOULOS, DIR. OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,133.

-30- 344
#90229c0775 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JOHN E CASTELLO, OFFICER OF TIS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: TIS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 335
#90229c0776 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, DONALD L TISDEL, SHAREHOLDER OF TIMBERLINE SOFTWARE CORP. (TICKER: TMBS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 339
#90229c0777 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, DONALD BAKER, DIR. OF TRIMEDYNE INC. (TICKER: TMED), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90229c0778 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, DONALD BAKER, DIR. OF TRIMEDYNE INC. (TICKER: TMED), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90229c0779 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FRANK R DAY, CHAIRMAN OF TRUSTMARK CORP. (TICKER: TRMK), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 426,969.

-30- 308
#90229c0780 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ABE FARKAS, DIR. OF TUSCARORA PLASTICS INC. (TICKER: TUSC), SOLD 250 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,050.

-30- 314
#90229c0782 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 07, 1990, THOMAS P WOOLAWAY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TUSCARORA PLASTICS INC. (TICKER: TUSC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,973.

-30- 351
#90229c0783 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, RICHARD M ADAMS, CHAIRMAN OF UNITED BANKSHARES INC. (WV) (TICKER: UBSI), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90229c0784 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RICHARD M ADAMS, CHAIRMAN OF UNITED BANKSHARES INC. (WV) (TICKER: UBSI), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 143,116.

-30- 338
#90229c0785 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, JOHN J HOLTON, VP OF UNISYS CORP. (TICKER: UIS), SOLD 550 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,900.

-30- 286
#90229c0786 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, ROBERT D HUNTER, DIR. OF UNIMED INC. (TICKER: UMED), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,100.

-30- 296
#90229c0787 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JOAB M ANDERSON, DIR. OF UNITED FINANCIAL CORP. OF SOUTH CAROLINA INC. (TICKER: UNSA), BOUGHT 3,157 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,007.

-30- 361
#90229c0788 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, CECIL O BROWNING, DIR. OF UNITED FINANCIAL CORP. OF SOUTH CAROLINA INC. (TICKER: UNSA), BOUGHT 5,789 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,217.

-30- 364
#90229c0790 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, J E MCDONALD, DIR. OF UNITED FINANCIAL CORP. OF SOUTH CAROLINA INC. (TICKER: UNSA), BOUGHT 2,052 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,740.

-30- 359
#90229c0791 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, J E MCDONALD, DIR. OF UNITED FINANCIAL CORP. OF SOUTH CAROLINA INC. (TICKER: UNSA), BOUGHT 2,657 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,657.

-30- 360
#90229c0792 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, TED RZESZUTO, VP OF UNITED STATIONERS INC. (TICKER: USTR), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $11.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 310
#90229c0793 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, GENE M BETTS, VP OF UNITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: UT), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 323
#90229c0794 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, JOHN W BROCKS, PRES. OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), SOLD 696 SHARES AT $4.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 89,364.

-30- 319
#90229c0795 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, PATRICK J MONPERE, DIR. OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), SOLD 696 SHARES AT $4.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90229c0796 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, MICHAEL J RYAN, DIR. OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), SOLD 696 SHARES AT $4.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 87,868.

-30- 316
#90229c0798 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, LARRY A SHEHADEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), BOUGHT 696 SHARES AT $4.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90229c0799 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, SPALDING G WATHEN, DIR. OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), SOLD 696 SHARES AT $4.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 87,868.

-30- 322
#90229c0800 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, BRUCE R LAUMEISTER, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 339
#90229c0801 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, DANIEL C LYONS, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,200.

-30- 330
#90229c0802 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, ROGER M PIKE, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90229c0803 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, MARK W RICHARDS, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,249.

-30- 334
#90229c0804 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ROBERT L FROME, DIR. OF VALLEY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: VI), SOLD 3,600 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,200.

-30- 304
#90229c0806 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOHN L WEINBERG, DIR. OF THE SEAGRAM COMPANY LTD. (TICKER: VO), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $96.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90229c0807 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, PAMELA J NEWMAN, DIR. OF WARNER COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: WCP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 326
#90229c0808 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, PAUL A COX, DIR. OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,043.

-30- 292
#90229c0809 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, MATTHEW M MCCARTHY, VP OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $32.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88.

-30- 299
#90229c0810 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, WILLIAM M MORAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $34.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0811 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM M MORAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 11,500 SHARES AT $34.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90229c0812 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, WILLIAM M MORAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $32.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90229c0814 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, DONALD STINGEL, DIR. OF WEAN INC. (TICKER: WID), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 250
#90229c0815 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, DONALD STINGEL, DIR. OF WEAN INC. (TICKER: WID), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 283
#90229c0816 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, LOUIS J NICASTRO, CHAIRMAN OF WMS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90229c0817 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, LOUIS J NICASTRO, CHAIRMAN OF WMS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMS), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

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#90229c0818 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, LOUIS J NICASTRO, CHAIRMAN OF WMS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMS), SOLD 2,100 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 840,116.

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#90229c0819 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, NEIL D NICASTRO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WMS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMS), SOLD 22,400 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

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#90229c0820 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, NEIL D NICASTRO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WMS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMS), SOLD 4,100 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 176,000.

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#90229c0822 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, CHARLES RATELIFF, VP OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $30.18 PER SHARE.

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#90229c0823 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, BERNARD E KINNEY, OFFICER OF WASHINGTON SCIENTIFIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WSCI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 525.

-30- 343
#90229c0824 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, MICHAEL TRACHTENBERG, OFFICER OF YORK RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: YORK), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 331
#90229c0825 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, RONALD P SHIDER, DIR. OF Z-SEVEN FUND INC. (TICKER: ZSEV), BOUGHT 420 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,285.

-30- 310
#90229c0826 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

D. BLECH TRUSTEE OWNS 6,400,000 SHARES (31.80%) OF CHEMEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC (TICKER: CHMX) OF ENGLEWOOD, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Sentinel converted the $300,000 and $500,000 loans into units as of June 18, 1990 and the $1,200,000 loan into units as of Aug. 8, 1990, at a conversion rate of $1 per unit. Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one series 1994-2 common stock warrant, exercisable at an exercise price of $3.125 per share until Oct. 31, 1994. Pursuant to the loan and the conversion agreements, Sentinal has the right to purchase up to $1,000,000 units, the additional purchasable units, consisting of 1,000,000 shares of common stock; 1,000,000 warrants; and 400,000 warrants for the purchase of 400,000 shares of common stock, each exercisable at $1.25 until July 31, 1997. Pursuant to the loan and the conversion agreements, Sentinel has the right to designate two nominees to Chemex Pharmaceuticals's board, but has not as yet done so.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90229c0827 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 650,000 SHARES (5.10%) OF BANTA CORP (TICKER: BNTA) OF MENASHA, WI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 524
#90229c0828 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

D.R. EVANS OWNS 1,711,067 SHARES (12.70%) OF WOODBINE PETROLEUM INC (TICKER: WDBN) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include options to purchase 1,000,000 shares. The above-mentioned shares were purchased with personal funds of Mr. Evans.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 7 and 13, 1990, D.R. Evans purchased 491,100 shares at a price of $0.10 per share.

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#90229c0830 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY INTEGRITY FUND INC OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 198,580 SHARES (9.70%) OF WESTERBEKE CORP (TICKER: WTBK) OF AVON, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 7 and 9, 1990 Integrity Fund Inc. purchased 25,400 shares at a price of $1.30 per share.

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#90229c0831 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY TIGER OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 407,100 SHARES (6.32%) OF ISOMEDIX INC (TICKER: ISMX) OF WHIPPANY, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 18, 1990 and Aug. 14, 1990, Tiger sold 132,500 shares at a price of $10.38 to $14.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 465
#90229c0832 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY S.A. SWAN JR OWNS 55,841 SHARES (5.80%) OF SBT CORP (TICKER: SBTC) OF SAYBROOK, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Swan has the right to acquire 7,210 additional shares of the common stock upon exercise of options.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 21, 1990 and July 27, 1990, S.A. Swan Jr. purchased 453 shares at a price of $2.56 to $3.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 586
#90229c0833 08/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

D. BLECH OWNS 4,466,666 SHARES (39.50%) OF ECOGEN INC (TICKER: EECN) OF LANGHORNE, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Blech's 412,500 shares were paid for by conversion of the convertible note which was surrendered to Ecogen Inc. at the time of purchase. Upon the surrender of the note and the cancellation by Ecogen Inc. of the warrant to purchase 500,000 shares and upon the conversion of the convertible note, the right of Ecogen Inc. pursuant to the common stock and warrant purchase agreement to require Mr. Blech to purchase additional securities of Ecogen Inc. was cancelled. Pursuant to the August Purchase Agreement, a second closing will take place, on the date five days after the effective of the

amended certificate, or on such other dated as the parties may mutually agree, at which time Celestial and Island will purchase for $9,000,000 an aggregate of 450,000 shares and seven-year warrants (second warrants) to purchase an aggregate of an additional 529,414 shares of common stock at an exercise price of $3 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 10, 1990 (first closing), pursuant to the August Purchase Agreement, Mr. Blech and the Trusts purchased from Ecogen Inc. for a total consideration of $7,600,000 an aggregate of 3,800,000 shares of common stock and seven-year warrants to purchase an aggregate of an additional 4,470,586 shares of common stock at an exercise price of $3 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1649

#90229c0834 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 20) COMTEX - Reno, Nev.-based Mills-Jennings Co. (TICKER: JKPT) has sold its Mills-Jennings Real Estate unit, which is in Chapter 11 bankruptcy, to OSJ Construction Co. of Van Nuys, Calif., for a $2.25 million promissory note.

The note is secured by a Deed of Trust in the amount of $4.5 million on the 423 acre parcel in Castaic Township, Los Angeles County, which is the real estate unit's only asset, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

As part of the deal, Mills-Jennings Co. will receive 50 percent of all profits generated by the sale or development of the parcel.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 17, 1990

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#90229c0835 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 20) COMTEX - Drug Eatontown, N.J.-based Roberts Pharmaceutical Corp. (TICKER: RPCX) has agreed to grant rights to Deprenyl Research Limited of Toronto to distribute Roberts' MIDON low blood pressure tablets in Canada.

The agreement is subject to a definitive deal.

In addition to being allowed to promote, sell and distribute MIDON in

Canada, Deprenyl Research will collaborate with Roberts on development of a product to treat urinary incontinence, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 17, 1990

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#90229c0836 08/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 17) COMTEX - Denver, Colo.-based Wichita Oil Corp. (TICKER: WRO) has agreed to sell its wholly owned WRO Virginia Corp. and Equitable Petroleum Corp. units to Pequod Operating Co. for two notes totalling $7 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 17, 1990

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#90229d2520 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 17) - Iraq has barred an estimated 230 Japanese citizens from leaving the country, a Japanese Foreign Ministry official said Friday.

The official said that the foreign ministry in Baghdad had advised Japanese Ambassador Kunio Katakura of the decision Thursday.

The fate of an estimated 278 Japanese in Kuwait was not immediately clear.

The ambassador was informed of the decision after seeking to clarify whether restrictions on most Westerners leaving Iraq also applied to Japanese.

Mr. Katakura protested the decision, the official said, describing it as an unacceptable contravention of international law. He also said it was deplorable from a humanitarian point of view, considering the number of Japanese women and children in the country.

Japanese citizens in Iraq are mostly businessmen and their dependents, although some tourists are also stuck there, the foreign ministry said.

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#90229d2620 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 17) - Japan plans to dispatch medical teams to Saudi Arabia and is considering sending non-combat military personnel as part of multinational forces in the Middle East, a newspaper reported Friday.

The Asahi Shimbun said the foreign ministry had "tentatively decided" to send medical teams while examining the possibility of sending transport and communications personnel as part of a package of measures to be announced soon.

Other measures would include economic assistance to Middle East countries -- particularly Turkey, Egypt and Jordan -- to improve the effectiveness of U.N. sanctions against Iraq and Kuwait, the report said.

The foreign ministry was "still considering various options," an official said, refusing to comment on whether the options include dispatching medical teams and military personnel.

The issue of sending Japanese military personnel abroad is extremely controversial in Japan because the country's post-war constitution renounces "the threat or use of force as means of settling international disputes."

The government is also cautious about sending military personnel abroad because of the acute sensitivities of Asian neighbors such as China and Korea and other victims of Japanese military aggression during World War II.

The Asahi report came as Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama prepared to leave for an eight-day tour of Saudi Arabia, Oman, Jordan, Egypt and Turkey.

Mr. Nakayama is undertaking the tour in the place of Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, who postponed the trip for at least a month following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The news also coincided with an Iraqi ban preventing an estimated 230 Japanese citizens from leaving the country.

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#90229d2670 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 17) - Six people were killed and nine were injured when a three-story building collapsed in Bombay early Friday, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported.

An unspecified number of people were feared trapped in the rubble, the news agency added in a report from the western port city.

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#90229d2680 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 17) - The United States has rejected three petitions

from U.S. labor organizations alleging violations of workers' rights in Malaysia and calling for an end to trade privileges for Malaysian exports, a U.S. embassy spokeswoman said Friday.

She said the petitions had failed to provide substantial new information on earlier petitions as required by the U.S. Trade Policy Staff Committee.

One petition was from the American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations' (AFL-CIO), its second petition in three years criticizing Malaysia, and the other two from the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) and the International Labor Right Education and Research Fund (ILRERF).

The AFL-CIO and the ILRELF alleged that Malaysia had denied workers, especially in the electronics sector, their basic right to organize while the IBEW claimed that Malaysian exports led to thousands of job losses in the United States.

All three groups were pressing for the exclusion of Malaysia from the preferential market access provided by the U.S. Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) to aid developing countries.

Trade and Industry Minister Rafidah Aziz told reporters that Malaysia welcomed the United States' decision to reject the petitions.

"This dismisses all accusations that Malaysia does not provide workers' rights comparable with those recognized internationally," she said.

Malaysia exported 1.71 billion dollars (633 million U.S.) worth of goods to the United States under its GSP scheme last year, a 37 percent rise from the previous year.

The major items exported under the scheme were electrical products, natural rubber goods, watches and clocks, machinery, toys and sports equipment.

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#90229d2700 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 17) - Japan's money supply growth slowed from an annual rate of 12.6 percent in June to 12.2 percent in July, mainly reflecting a slowdown in bank lending, the Bank of Japan said Friday.

"The biggest factor was a decrease in the growth rate of lending by banks " a central bank official said. "Other reasons included a decrease in domestic commercial paper issues and increased tax payments."

The growth in money supply -- as measured by M-2 (cash in circulation plus demand and time deposits) plus certificates of deposits -- marked the

eighth consecutive increase of more than 10 percent.

The July figure represented only a modest slowdown from April and May when the annual rate of growth rate hit a 14-year high of 13.2 percent.

A senior central bank official said last month that the money supply was growing "too fast," adding that the bank would prefer a growth rate of less than 10 percent. The Bank of Japan is willing to accept "if necessary" a consequent slowdown in the economy, the official said.

But a senior Finance Ministry official later said that concern about the rapid rate of money supply growth was sometimes "not realistic" because the growth was being artificially boosted by financial deregulation.

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#90229d2800 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 17) - Chinese farmers' real net income fell four percent and their spending 3.4 percent in the first half of this year due to a sharp drop in crop prices and higher input costs, the China Daily reported Friday.

A State Statistical Bureau survey taken in 29 provinces, regions and cities found that farmers' net income was 296.5 yuan (62.95 dollars) in the first half of the year, 1.7 percent more than in the same period of 1989.

But after adjustments to take inflation into account, the figure was four percent lower than last year.

Average household spending was 196.5 yuan (41.8 dollars), a 1.4 percent rise in nominal terms and a real 3.4 percent decline.

The drop in income affected even richer areas such as the eastern province of Jiangsu, Guangdong in the south and the capital Beijing, the report said.

After paying 1.3 percent more for raw materials, China's farmers face depressed prices after a record summer harvest.

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#90229d2810 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (AUG. 17) - Australia should stop restricting the number of foreign banks allowed to operate here, European Commission Vice President Sir Leon Brittan said Friday.

Sir Leon told reporters his views had received a "sympathetic hearing" from officials here.

"It's difficult to see why there should be a limit to the number of banks that can get licenses to operate in Australia if they come from Europe," he said.

"We don't want to discriminate against Australian banks coming into the European Community ... we're just asking for the same," Sir Leon said.

Treasurer Paul Keating issued only 16 licenses when he allowed in foreign banks in 1985, and many of the foreign banks that opened struggled against the large local banks and lent heavily to Australia's doomed entrepreneurs.

Sir Leon said recent events in Eastern Europe and Germany had not reduced Europe's commitment to the Uruguay round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) due to be finalized in December.

He said there was no reason why "a successful result should not be achieved" in the negotiations.

Earlier this week, Australia's Trade Minister Neal Blewett said uncompromising stands on agriculture or market access by Europe and other major powers were undermining GATT.

Blewett said he saw a new hindrance for GATT progress in what he dubbed "Euro-arrogance," Western Europe's belief that it could afford to snub other continents after the opening up of Eastern Europe.

Sir Leon said Europe had recently signalled it would be willing to cut agricultural support.

"European support for agriculture is quite a lot less than the level of Australian support for industry," he said.

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#90229d2930 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (AUG. 17) - East Germany's 240,000 textile and leather workers have won a reduction of their working week from a minimum 43 hours to 40 hours, under an agreement reached overnight between their union and employers.

In addition, the agreement, due to take effect September 1, provides for a 250 Deutsche mark (160 dollars) monthly bonus and a progressive rise in wages to bring them in line with those of the West German textile and leather industry.

Wage negotiations in the steel industry broke off overnight without reaching agreement.

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#90229d2960 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO (AUG. 17) - Kuwait's state oil company Kuwait Petroleum is considering buying Norwegian oil to feed its European refineries and gas stations to compensate for lost Kuwaiti deliveries, the Aftenposten newspaper said Friday.

Kuwait Petroleum has stocks for two to three months, but will eventually need some 420,000 barrels a day for its refineries and 6,000 service stations in Europe, after international sanctions were imposed on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil following Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait, the newspaper said.

The Kuwaiti company and Norwegian state oil concern Statoil have been in frequent contact since the August 2 Iraqi invasion, but discussions have not yet reached the stage of negotiations, a spokesman for Kuwait Petroleum in London said.

A Statoil spokesman confirmed that contacts had been stepped up, but would not give any further details.

Kuwait Petroleum, which operates petrol stations under the "Q8" name, has outlets in Sweden, Denmark, the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, Britain and Italy.

Statoil would not be able to meet all of Kuwait Petroleum's oil needs, as 420,000 barrels is equivalent to a quarter of Norway's entire daily production and a quarter of Statoil's.

The European branch of the Kuwaiti state oil company is looking to Saudi Arabia for short-term oil deliveries, the Kuwait Petroleum spokesman was quoted as saying.

But he noted that Riyadh, as a member of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries, was committed to not exceeding its OPEC output quota.

Kuwait Petroleum has not lost its market share as a result of the Iraqi invasion and appreciated what the spokesman described as strong support from customers all over Europe.

The last shipment of oil loaded in Kuwait before the invasion is now on its way to Europe, but after that the company must rely on its stocks and other suppliers.

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#90229d2980 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 17) - The Philippines said Friday it was lodging a protest with Iraq in connection with alleged abuse of Filipino workers in the Gulf by pro-Baghdad forces.

President Corazon Aquino said the protest would be filed through the Iraqi ambassador here.

"We will definitely speak out in the strongest terms against these reported abuses and press for all possible means to protect our nationals abroad," she said.

About 60,000 Filipinos were working in Kuwait and 5,000 in Iraq during the Iraqi invasion, and fewer than a thousand have been able to return home.

A Filipina dressmaker told reporters at Manila airport on her arrival from Kuwait on Thursday that she had been raped by a Palestinian volunteer militiaman.

Presidential spokesman Adolfo Azcuna said the Philippines' embassies in the Middle East had been asked to collate data on abuses, which would be used to lodge a detailed protest.

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#90229d3020 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 17) - Singapore Telecom said Friday its net profit for the year to March rose 40 percent from the previous year to 888 million dollars (493.3 million U.S.).

The company also said it would raise its capital investment by 50 percent to 2.7 billion dollars (1.5 billion U.S.) in the next five years to meet what it said was growing demand for services from local and foreign companies.

Revenue in the year to March increased by 12 percent to more than two billion dollars (1.12 billion U.S.), while expenditure dropped by one percent to 1.3 billion dollars (722 million U.S.).

Net profit for the 1988-89 financial year was 633 million dollars (351.2 million U.S.).

International telephone calls remained the core business, contributing revenue of 1.03 billion dollars (572 million U.S.), Singapore Telecom said.

Chairman Koh Boon Hwee told a news conference that one of the challenges facing the corporation would be a demand for more sophisticated telecommunications services from domestic users.

More than 35 million dollars (19.4 million U.S.) was spent to upgrade the digital international telephone exchanges to provide better International Direct Dialing (IDD) and 9.1 million dollars (5.1 million U.S.) was spent on training in 1989-90, Mr. Koh said.

A new 73 million dollar (40.6 million U.S.) customer and services information system will be ready by late 1991, he added.

Singapore Telecom plans to spend 2.7 billion dollars on capital investment in the next five years, an increase of 50 percent on the 1.8 billion dollars (one billion U.S.) it spent in the last half-decade.

Mr. Koh said Singapore Telecom had formed strategic alliances with telecommunications companies in Britain, the Netherlands, Japan and Thailand to boost its long-term growth through international expansion.

On the proposed privatisation of Singapore Telecom, Mr. Koh said a consultant had been appointed to work out details and that it would take about two years to finalise the process.

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#90229d3040 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 17) - Brent North Sea crude oil prices rose in London early Friday as the latest news from the Gulf again raised fears of an escalation of tension.

Brent was quoted at 26.70 dollars a barrel for October delivery, up from 25.40 at Thursday's close.

The rise came after a meeting between King Hussein of Jordan and U.S. President George Bush disappointed hopes that it would ease tension, and a warning from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that he was ready for all-out war with the United States if necessary.

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#90229d3180 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 17) - Japanese trading firm Chori Co. Ltd. has started to buy chemicals and textiles from the Soviet Union to produce detergent and garments at factories in China, a company official said Friday.

The Osaka-based company recently bought 18 tons of chemicals in the Soviet Central Asian city of Chimkent for 1.1 million dollars and transported the material to Tianjin in northeast China for processing, the official said.

The company has also acquired about 2,000 tons of silk and cotton from the

Soviet republics of Uzbekistan and Turkmenia for the manufacture of shirts and blouses in Guangzhou in southern China.

Chori, which mainly trades in textiles and chemicals, plans to re-export the detergent and garments produced in China to Japan and Southeast Asia, the official said.

The firm already has strong trading links with both countries and plans to form a joint venture with Soviet parties to sell rare metals.

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#90229d3200 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HOBART, AUSTRALIA (AUG. 17) - Australia will ban mining and mineral exploration in its Antarctic territory, Foreign Minister Gareth Evans said Friday.

Mr. Evans said in a speech here that Canberra would enact laws to ban any mining on Australia's 42 per cent slice of Antarctica and would prohibit Australians from mining in the remaining sectors.

"This legislation is an important step in Australia's campaign to maintain the Antarctic forever as the world's last great untouched and unexploited wilderness," he said in a joint statement with Environment Minister Ros Kelly.

France and Australia, as two of the seven territorial claimants to the area, vetoed a mining convention adopted in 1988 which would have allowed mining on the frozen continent.

Mr. Evans said he hoped that a special consultative meeting of the 22 Antarctic Treaty countries in Chile in November would come to an agreement that would help preserve the area.

Opponents to mining in the area want Antarctica declared a world park which would be off-limits to all developers.

Mining on mainland Antarctica is so far mostly only a theoretical threat. There are coal and mineral reserves under the ice, which is three kilometres (nearly two miles) thick, but they are too expensive to recover at current prices.

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#90229d3230 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (AUG. 17) - Private sector Yugoslav firm Makimport has signed a 40 million dollar contract to export consumer goods to Albania in exchange for raw materials and food, Belgrade newspaper Politika said Friday.

Under the terms of the deal, four shops are to be opened in the Albanian capital Tirana in September offering exclusively Yugoslav goods.

Makimport, whose owner Nushi Carliu is of Albanian origin, is to export to Albania household electrical appliances, electronic goods, clothes, beauty products, glassware and bicycles.

In return it will receive from Albanian concern Agroexport chrome, copper, wood, bitumen, sea salt, fruit, vegetables and alcohol.

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#90229d3300 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FARMINGDALE, NY (AUG. 17) - A 14-year-old hacker suspected of penetrating a Pentagon computer has been arrested with 12 others on charges of breaking into a computer at a university in Washington state, officials said.

The boy, who was not identified because he is a minor, was alleged to have broken into the computer at the City University of Bellevue in Washington in May, using a toll-free telephone number used by students and faculty, according to Senior Investigator Donald Delaney of the New York State Police.

The boy, who signed into the computer as "Zod," allegedly set up a program that gave other illegitimate users access to the university computer, Mr. Delaney said.

More than 40 hackers from across the country were believed to have penetrated the computer using the system, which required hackers to answer 11 questions to gain entry.

"Zod" also was suspected of breaking into an Air Force computer in the Pentagon last November, Mr. Delaney said.

Police arrested 13 people Thursday in the New York area and charged with computer tampering, computer trespass, unauthorized use of a computer and theft of services, Mr. Delaney said. Three more arrests were expected.

According to Mr. Delaney, university files were altered and deleted and consultants have had to be hired to reprogram the system.

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#90229d3310 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RABAT (AUG. 17) - Morocco is holding talks with the Soviet Union, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates to obtain oil supplies to compensate

for lost Iraqi deliveries, Moroccan weekly "Economic Life" said here Friday.

Morocco, one of the few Arab countries not to produce oil, spent 3.22 billion dirham (392 million dollars) on Iraqi oil last year, or 52.8 percent of its total oil bill of 6.09 billion dirham (742 million dollars).

It currently has three months' supply of fuel in stock and has recently bought 230,000 tons of crude from the Emirates and 160,000 tons on the free market, the weekly said, quoting industry sources.

The recent purchases were to compensate for the loss of two Iraqi deliveries of 240,000 tons apiece, due to have arrived August 9 and 16 and representing 20 days' consumption, the weekly added.

The two ships carrying the deliveries were expected at the port of Mohammedia, north of Casablanca, but neither had appeared and it was not known where they were.

"Economic Life" also said that Morocco was suspending export credit guarantees for exports to Iraq and Kuwait.

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#90229d3570 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ALGlERS (AUG. 17) - Algeria's worst cholera outbreak in four years has spread to the south, where 320 people have been admitted to hospital in Djelfa, the state news agency APS reported.

Health officials said a great number of children were among the patients.

Earlier in the month, 11 deaths were notified out of 205 cases in various parts of the country, which has been stricken by drought for three years. Water is tightly rationed, and 30 per cent of the populace still relies on well-water.

The 1986 epidemic saw "hundreds" die, with 9,000 cases recorded, health officials said.

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#90229d3760 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONIARA (AUG. 17) - The Solomons Islands has signed a fisheries access treaty with Taiwan, enabling its vessels to fish within the Solomons' 200 mile (320 kilometre) exclusive economic zone, officials said here.

Officials said under the access agreement, Taiwanese fishing vessels can apply for a year's fishing permit for 500 U.S. dollars.

Taiwan's Ambassador Chi Kun Ning presented Solomons Natural Resources Minister Allan Paul with a check for 70,000 U.S. dollars at the signing ceremony as a downpayment on behalf of Taiwan's Kaohsiung Fishermen's Association.

The agreement is the second for the Solomons, which has a similar deal with Japan.

Fish exports grossed 30 million U.S. dollars for the Solomons last year, about 40 percent of its export income.

The fishing industry here is dominated by Solomon-Taiyo Ltd., which is 59 percent government-owned and 41 percent Japanese-owned, and Canadian-owned National Fisheries Development Ltd.

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#90229d3900 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 17) - Iran has sought an official Japanese loan of some 220 billion yen (1.5 billion dollars), Jiji Press reported Friday.

But the Japanese government has yet to answer the request for the yen credit to finance a large hydroelectric power plant project, Jiji said without quoting sources.

Government officials said they could not confirm the report.

The Japanese government has not provided yen credit to Iran since it extended 28.8 billion yen (196 million dollars) to Teheran in 1976 for a petrochemical project, officials said.

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#90229d3920 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 17) - British retail prices rose by 0.1 percent in July taking the increase during the last 12 months to 9.8 percent, the same level as in June, official figures showed on Friday.

The 12-monthly increase remained below ten percent because food prices fell by one percent, and the price of shoes and clothing fell by 2.4 percent due to summer sales, but a Treasury spokesman said that the rate of price rises was "still too high".

Analaysts had forecast that the increase in July would be 0.2 percent and for the last 12 months 9.9 percent. City sources said that recent increases in fuel prices would certainly take the 12-monthly figure above ten percent in August.

If the statistics are analysed on a basis similar to that used in other leading industrialised countries, excluding the effect of interest rates on home mortgage repayments, and excluding the incidence of local taxation, the inflation rate in the year to July was seven percent compared with 6.9 percent in June.

The government has said that it will not place sterling within the exchange rate mechanism of the European monetary system (EMS) until this underlying rate of inflation is close to the European average, currently well below the British levels.

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#90229d4050 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (AUG. 17) - Sierra Leone's one-party system is under review at a crucial meeting of the ruling All People's Congress which began here Friday amid growing calls for multi-party democracy, delegates said.

President Joseph Momoh, who opened a special central committee meeting before hundreds of delegates, has come under growing pressure in recent months to abandon the APC's monopoly on power as the West African state slides deeper into ruin.

"The APC is discussing it's own future at this meeting," one delegate told Agence France-Presse.

In June, the Sierra Leone bar association passed a resolution at its annual convention saying the "poor economic performance can be attributed to the ineptitude of the ruling party".

Such outspokenness had been rare in a country which has been under the same party since 1967. Major-General Momoh is party secretary-general and national leader.

The lawyers' stand has found support among students and university staff as well as backing from a section of the press, but opposition parties are banned under the constitution.

Finance Minister Thomas Taylor-Morgan surprised many on June 29 with a devastating assessment of the economy, at a time when the country is embarking on an economic recovery plan with the backing of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

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#90229d4070 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (AUG. 17) - The Iraqi News Agency said the Iraqi authorities had

eased the curfew to 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. (2000 to 0300 GMT) in Kuwait City and in Nida and Jahra, two cities in the northeast of the emirate.

An earlier INA dispacth gave the impression the curfew was new, but a second dispatch a few minutes later said it had been shortened. Since August 6, the curfew had been from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. (1600 to 0400 GMT).

Kuwait has been virtually cut off from the outside world since Iraq invaded on August 2 and annexed the oil-rich emirate.

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#90229d4100 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PIGGS PEAK, SWAZILAND (AUG. 17) - A dog at the centre of an ownership wrangle in the magistrate's court here showed his contempt for the proceedings by urinating on the floor and walking out.

The South African Press Association said Zeeman Ngubeni was trying to prove that Makhehlane Nxumalo had stolen the animal from him by demonstrating that the dog knew and respected him.

Instead of obeying commands, the bored canine lifted his leg, relieved himself and then disappeared. The court adjourned amid peals of laughter.

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#90229d4120 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 17) - Arab forces sent to defend Saudi Arabia are to operate under Saudi command, the Egyptian Defense Ministry announced here Friday.

Egyptian, Moroccan and Syrian troops have arrived in the kingdom in accordance with an Arab League summit resolution to shore up Saudi defenses against a possible attack by Iraq, whose forces invaded and seized Kuwait August 2.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, in an interview with a U.S. television network, said Thursday that some 2,000 Egyptians had been flown to Saudi Arabia. Press reports here had put the number at around 3,000.

Morocco and Syrian have each contributed an estimated 1,200 men.

In addition the United States has deployed 50,000 air and ground forces in Saudi Arabia, which Washington says is now threatened by Iraqi troops in Kuwait.

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#90229d4130 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 17) - The North Atlantic Treaty Organisation is reducing the scope of its autumn military manoeuvres because U.S. warships and personnel committed to the exercises have been deployed in the Gulf, a NATO military spokesman said Friday.

Major Robert Dittmer, spokesman at Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE), which is the alliance's military HQ, confirmed that 4,500 U.S. marines would not take part in a three-nation exercise in northern West Germany called Bold Guard.

West German Defence Ministry officials announced Thursday the U.S. pullout from the September 24-October 19 exercise, which gathers U.S., Danish and West German forces in a rehearsed reinforcement of the Danish peninsula in times of tension.

In a second development, the Norwegian Defence Ministry said Friday that the United States was withdrawing from a joint exercise called Teamwork-90, scheduled for September 6 to September 22, as some of the 6,000 U.S. personnel committed to it had already been sent to Saudi Arabia.

The 16,000-men exercise also require a U.S. aircraft carrier to provide air support for troops reinforcing Norway. But three U.S. aircraft have already been deployed in the Gulf and a fourth is en route.

Maj. Dittmer said he had not been informed about the U.S. pullout from Teamwork-90.

The only other big NATO exercise this year that combines different national forces is Display Determination, a land and naval operation involving Italy and Turkey, Maj. Dittmer said.

He said that this and the other exercises are scheduled to continue even without the U.S. presence, but cautioned that a cut in the size of Display Determination could not be ruled out.

"Are the forces that are normally pegged to these exercises available? That, I think, is the critical question to ask, and in some cases, I suspect the answers aren't around," he said.

"The U.S. may surprise us with more announcements," he said. "There could be more changes, certainly."

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#90229d4220 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 17) - Iran has agreed to boost its daily direct crude oil supply to Japan from the current 280,000 barrels to 700,000 barrels in October-December, industry sources said here Friday.

The accord was reached between the Japanese oil industry and Teheran's National Iranian Oil Co. (NIOC), the sources said. Government officials confirmed press reports from Cairo Friday that Saudi Arabia had withdrawn an earlier decision to cut crude oil supply to Japan.

The officials said Thursday that Saudi Arabia had informed Japanese oil importers that it would cut crude oil exports to Japan by 16 percent from September.

Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer denied that Saudi Arabia would implement such cuts, and said the kingdom would "continue to supply its clients according to their usual quotas."

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#90229d4230 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 17) - The Franco-Italian ATR aircraft manufacturer took a cautious line on Friday about U.S. reports that American Airlines was ordering 100 ATR 42 and ATR 72 regional airliners.

"Nothing is certain, we are still negotiating and the competion is wide open with the Swedish Saab company and Dutch Fokker in particular", an ATR spokesman said.

It was reported from reliable sources in Washington on Thursday that American Airlines, the second biggest U.S. airline, was about to announce that it had ordered 100 aircraft from ATR in a deal worth about one billion dollars.

American Airlines spokesman Ed Martelle said that the company would announce a major order on Aug. 22, but declined to name the identity of the manufacturer.

But the ATR spokesman here declined even to mention the number of aircraft under negotiation.

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#90229d4300 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 17) - An Iraqi cargo vessel, prevented earlier in the week from using the Suez Canal because of a financial dispute, has finally been authorized to pass through the waterway, the Middle East News Agency reported Friday.

The Zein al-Qaws was given permission to use the Canal after paying 12,000 dollars in transit fees, the agency said.

The vessel's owners, according to the agency, had initially refused to pay the fee because of heightened risks that the cargo would be seized in the Gulf, following announcements by Britain and the United States that ships travelling to and from Iraq and Kuwait would be intercepted.

The Zein al-Qawas arrived at Port Said on Tuesday with a cargo of food, press reports said, without disclosing the origin of the shipment.

Egyptian authorities earlier this week stressed that they could not prevent Iraqi vessels from using the canal, despite United Nations trade sanctions on Baghdad, because of their commitments under the 1888 Constantinople accord on freedom of navigation.

The U.N. Security Council imposed the measures August 6 following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait four days earlier.

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#90229d4500 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 17) - Some 360 guests invited to the first international fair for the protection of the gorilla in the eastern African country of Rwanda are stranded at airports in Paris and the United States waiting for their plane, the Rwanda Embassy said here Friday.

The fair, starting Saturday, is to run for a week.

A plane scheduled to pick up guests from Washington, New York and Paris on the way to Kigali had been chartered by the event's organiser, Guinean Mamadou Barry, who planned to finance the fair by contributions from U.S. and European private enterprise.

But the charter plane, which was supposed to arrive in Washington on Thursday, never appeared.

An embassy spokesman said the Rwandan government had tried in vain to contact Mr. Barry, 22, and that the authorities hoped to find another plane to take the guests to Kigali.

The government also reserved the right "if necessary" to take legal action against the fair organisers.

Several hundred gorillas, a protected species, live in a nature reserve on the Rwandan border with Zaire and Uganda.

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#90229d4510 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (AUG. 17) - The government of Czechoslovakia has decided to

privatize part of the CKD engineering group which has annual sales of 765 million dollars and has 40,000 employees in 18 factories. On September 1 the company will become a limited liability company involving a state shareholding.

From October 1 it will become a holding company capitalized at 400 million dollars, and will allow its 18 subsidiaries to be operated independently, CKD general manager Jan Havelka said Thursday.

CKD has been in contact for several months with the Swiss-Swedish Asea Brown Boveri, French Alsthom and U.S. General Electric companies with a view to finding a non-majority foreign shareholder, Havelka said. The company was founded in 1927 through the amalgamation of three private companies and still bears the names of its founders, Kolben and Danek.

CKD workers were among the first people to join the November revolutionary movement led by students and artists, and one of them - Petr Millar - became Minister for Labor and Social Affairs.

CKD manufactures 500 railway locomotives a year, is a leading world manufacturer of trams, producing 1,000 units a year, and also manufacturers compressors, diesel engines, cranes, and electronic components for transportation equipment. Contracts for trams have been signed this year with France and Brazil, and negotiations are being held with Algeria, Havelka said.

The restructuring of CKD should enable the company to modernize its facilities and to win new markets to compensate for the loss of many traditional clients in eastern Europe which accounted for 80 percent of exports, of which about 70 percent went to the Soviet Union, he said.

Similar privatization arrangements are due to be enacted for all Czechoslovak industrial groups, including the giant energy equipment company Skoda-Plzen.

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#90229d4540 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 17) - The Shell oil company will seek to obtain a court order to end strikes by workers on its North Sea oil rigs, a company spokesman announced Friday.

According to the company, some 240 employees were continuing to hold sit-ins on the drilling platforms, whose activity has been affected for over two weeks by a series of strikes.

The workers are demanding recognition of their unions and improved working conditions.

The Offshore Industry Liaison Committee, which has been coordinating the strikes, has decided to organize a vote among the workers to select a future course of action.

The new strategy could affect land-based facilities, a spokesman said Friday.

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#90229d4620 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (AUG. 17) - Reduced exports and increased imports cut South Africa's trade surplus in July to 491 million rand (190.5 million dollars), according to preliminary figures released here Friday by Customs and Excise.

The monthly surplus showed a 65 percent drop from June's figure of 1.395 billion rand (541 million dollars), and a 59.5 percent decrease from the 1.207 billion rand (468.3 million dollars) recorded in July 1989.

In May, the monthly surplus stood at 1.083 billion rands (420 million dollars) while in April a figure of 971 million rand (376.7 million dollars) was recorded.

The July surplus was way off the year's peak in February of 1.765 billion rand (684 million dollars), but the cumulative surplus for the year to end-July showed a 20.64 percent improvement on the trade surplus for the same period in 1989.

The figures showed that the cumulative surplus for the first seven months of the year has now topped 8.118 billion rand (3.15 billion dollars) compared with 6.729 billion rand (2.61 billion dollars) for the same period last year.

Exports were down 7.8 percent from June at 4.815 billion rand (1.87 billion rands), while imports, at 4.815 billion rand (1.86 billion dollars), rose 17.5 percent over the previous month.

In July 1989, exports stood at 5.269 billion rand (2.04 billion dollars) while imports amounted to 4.062 billion rand (1.57 billion dollars).

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#90229d4630 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (AUG. 17) - Iran on Friday prepared to free 1,000 Iraqi prisoners of war to match the same number of Iranian POWs released by Baghdad earlier in the day.

The POW exchange comes two days after Iraq announced its decision to withdraw from Iranian territory, free prisoners of war and accept the terms of an accord on sharing sovereignty with Teheran over the strategic Shatt al-Arab waterway.

Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman Morteza Sarmadi said the 1,000 Iraqi troops were transferred from their detention centers to the western border with Iraq for repatriation, the official IRNA news agency reported.

Earlier in the day two representatives of the International Committee of the Red Cross arrived in Teheran from Geneva to supervise the repatriation operation, IRNA said.

IRNA also confirmed that Iraqi troops had begun to withdraw from Iranian territory.

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#90229d4640 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN (AUG. 17) - Syrian Vice President Abdel Halim Khaddam Friday said Syria and Iran should adopt a joint strategy in the Gulf region, stressing that the two countries sought an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Mr. Khaddam was quoted in an interview with the official IRNA news agency shortly before he left here for Damascus after talks with Iranian officials on the Gulf crisis.

"In our meetings ... we stressed the need for the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the return to power of the legal government," he said.

"Iran and Syria believe they should adopt a joint strategy to promote their goals," he added.

Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati, who saw the Syrian delegation off at the airport, described the visit "as very sensitive and important at this juncture."

Mr. Khaddam had arrived here Wednesday with Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al-Shara.

Syria and Iran, united in their opposition to Iraq, have joined the near universal condemnation of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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#90229d4690 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 17) - A final political settlement on the external aspects

of German unification should be concluded on September 12 in Moscow at a meeting of the four victorious World War II allies and the two Germanies, the Soviet and West German foreign ministers said here Friday.

"I think it will be a concluding meeting, a concluding dialogue," said Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, adding that he hoped the final document which, "in its essence has been prepared," would be signed.

Addressing a joint press conference following day-long talks on unification and future bilateral relations, Mr. Shevardnadze and his West German colleague Hans-Dietrich Genscher said ratification of the settlement by parliaments in the five countries (a united Germany, the Soviet Union, the United States, France and Britain) should take place very rapidly.

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#90229d4700 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 17) - A dozen women and 15 children will be among a group of 230 Soviet nationals expected to arrive in Jordan at midnight (2100 GMT) from Kuwait, Soviet diplomatic sources here said Friday.

The group will enter Jordan from Iraqi territory at the Roweished border post, 270 kilometers (167 miles) east of Amman, and catch flights to Moscow on Saturday.

The sources said the Soviet government had sent a cargo plane and a passenger aircraft to Jordan to repatriate its nationals -- contract workers and their families employed by Kuwaiti petrochemical and geological firms.

The Soviet workers decided to sever the contracts and return home following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, according to the sources.

Another group of 150 Soviets from Kuwait is also expected in Jordan via Iraq over the next few days.

The Soviet community in the oil-rich Gulf emirate before the invasion numbered 800, according to Moscow, while 8,000 Soviets live in Iraq.

A Soviet Foreign Ministry official, Yuri Gremytskikh, said Thursday in Moscow that the "evacution" of Soviet nationals from Kuwait and Iraq would be carried out in stages, with "sick women and children having priority."

Some 200 Romanians are also expected in Jordan over the next few days. A Romanian diplomatic source said their departure from Iraq was not an evacuation and that 3,000 other Romanians were still working in Iraq.

Polish diplomats said that 443 Poles were also expected to arrive soon in

Jordan from Kuwait.

Hungarian officials in Budapest said earlier that Iraq had reversed a decision and barred some of the 33 Hungarians living there from leaving the country, saying that their work contracts were still in force.

The officials said 159 other Hungarians remained in Kuwait.

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#90229d4770 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (AUG. 17) - Syrian Vice President Abdul-Halim Khaddam and Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa returned Friday after a two-day visit to Teheran, during which they held talks on the Gulf crisis and delivered a message from President Hafez Assad to Iranian President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani.

Khaddam said in a statement that the two sides held ''identical views about the situation and ''its dangers and destructive repercusiions on the region''.

''We have stressed that Iraqi forces must withdraw from Kuwait, because resorting to using force to solve the outstanding problems between neighboring countries will cause great damages to these countries, and their future'', Khaddam continued.

The vice president sais Syria and Iran ''have identical strategic policies'' and ''shall continue consulting and cooperating, because the subject is sensitive and delicate.''

Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati said in a statement to the Syrian news agency Sana that contacts between the two countries would continue in the future ''more than ever before''.

Velyati said cooperation between Syria and Iran was considered as ''one of the factors in making a balanced situation in the region''.

Sources said the talks in Teheran also touched on the situation in Lebanon and the fate of foreign hostages there.

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#90229d4800 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (AUG. 17) - Waters off the Danish coast, in the Baltic seas, in the Flensborg fjord and between Denmark and Sweden have been losing oxygen due to pollution at an alarming rate, Danish biologists say.

The loss of oxygen has been especially worrisome in the Flensborg fjord and

in Baltic seas south of the island of Lolland.

"When oxygen disappears, toxic substances are produced at the bottom of the sea and asphyxiate the fish close to the surface," said Nanna Rask, a biologist working on the island of Fionie.

The problem, recurrent throughout the 1980s, is caused by the discharge of of azotes and nitrates, pollutants that cause the growth of oxygen-absorbing algae.

The agriculture industry is primarily responsible for discharges of nitrates into waters in the region.

The Danish parliament adopted an anti-pollution strategy in 1987, demanding that nitrate discharges be reduced by half and that phosphate discharges be cut by 80 per cent before 1992.

Experts say, however, that the Danish agricultural sector has been slow to abide by the reduced pollution levels.

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#90229d4860 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 17) - U.S. military forces have evacuated some 330 Indian nationals from Liberia at New Delhi's request, an Indian government official said here Friday.

The 330 out of some 430 Indians trapped in war-torn Liberia were moved to a U.S. naval vessel before being airlifted by helicopters to Freetown, the capital of Sierra Leone.

The external affairs ministry official told reporters that Indian diplomats were making further arrangements for sending the expatriates home.

He said New Delhi was keeping in touch with the U.S., Nigerian and Ghanaian authorities to help evacuate the remaining 100 Indians from Liberia, with which India does not have diplomatic relations.

More than 6,500 Indians had left Liberia earlier as the situation deteriorated.

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#90229d4900 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (AUG. 17) - The 12-nation European Community (E.C.) Friday called on the Arab League to do everything possible to ensure the safety of foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait and their safe return home.

The request was conveyed by a group of three E.C. ambassadors to Tunis in a meeting here with Deputy Arab League Secretary-General Adnan Omran.

The E.C. was concerned over the fate of foreign civilians stuck in Iraq and Kuwait, which was invaded by Baghdad troops on August 2, the Arab League Tunis headquarters said.

The call came a day after Iraqi occupying forces in Kuwait ordered all Britons and Americans there to assemblein hotels in a move that raise fears in the West that they might be interned in Iraq.

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#90229d4950 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (AUG. 17) - The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) is negotiating with Iraq to send workers to Kuwait to help foreigners trapped there since the August 2 Iraqi invasion, ICRC Middle East representative Angelo Gnaedinger said here Friday.

The move comes as Western fears were growing over the safety of the 240,000 to 300,000 foreign nationals in the oil-rich Gulf emirate annexed by Iraq.

Iraq has ordered British and U.S. citizens to assemble in a Kuwait City hotel, raising speculation that they could be used as hostages in the event of a Western military response to the crisis.

According to the Red Cross "tens or hundreds of thousands of people" in Kuwait are being prevented from contacting their families and friends.

Some have been moved, others arrested, and there is a danger that provisions, medicines and water may run out in some areas, it said.

Mr. Gnaedinger said more than 20 governments had asked the Red Cross to help, and the agency was holding a "difficult" dialogue with the Iraqi authorities to allow its volunteers into Kuwait.

He said any action taken by Red Cross would respect "the strictest neutrality."

Turning to Red Cross workers in Baghdad, Mr. Gnaedinger said the 20 or so volunteers there were expecting to be joined by some 10 others for the task of repatriating Iranian prisoners of war being released under the new peace deal between Iraq and Iran.

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#90229d5070 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (AUG. 17) - Some 170,000 Indians still trapped in Kuwait were

reported Friday to be in imminent danger of starvation unless a rescue effort was mounted quickly.

The Saudi English-language daily Arab News quoted some of the 500 Indian refugees arriving in Saudi Arabia as refuting reports by All India Radio that the situation in Kuwait was returning to normal.

On the contrary, the situation in Kuwait ''is on the boil ...,'' an Indian refugee told the newspaper

''The food is scarce, water is in short supply, supermarkets are empty and the little that we scrape up by standing in day-long queues are snatched by the gun-totting Iraqis,'' he was quoted as saying.

The Indian, identified by the paper as S.S. Raju from Andhra Pradesh, added, ''Unless the hundreds of thousands of remaining Indians in Kuwait are evacuated within a week, they are doomed to perish.''

Raju charged that Iraqi soldiers were ''striking terror in the hearts of the people by sitting on rooftops at night and firing in the air.'' He said this practice ''helps them bulldoze into houses and seize anything that catches their fancy.''

All the refugees said they had lost their savings, and had gone into debt in order to escape.

''We have lost everything. We have no money even to pay for our travel from Bombay to our respective destinations,'' the refugee was quoted as saying.

The paper quoted Sayed Akbaruddin, an official at the Indian embassy here, as saying that the embassy and Indian volunteers were working around the clock.

He said they had deployed 18 vans to tranport Indian refugees from the Saudi-Kuwaiti border points of Al-Khafji and Hafr al-Batin to their makeshift homes at Indian schools in Saudi Arabia.

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#90229d5130 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 17) - Shipowners are finding themselves once again in between a rock and a hard place, being squeezed on the one hand by higher bunker costs and insurance premiums, and on the other hand by declining freight rates, tanker brokers E.A. Gibson said Friday in their latest report.

This situation could persuade owners to cease trading until such time as equilibrium is restored, they added.

Some 20 VLCCsULCCs (very and ultra large crude carriers, over 200,000 tonnes), totalling nearly five million tons, found employment in the Middle-East Gulf over the past week, and there is no doubt that additional private business was concluded.

Rates varied, according to different insurance premiums depending on loading zones and the proportion of premiums being absorbed between owners and charterers.

Demand for smaller units from the Middle-East Gulf was sparse.

After last week's firm trend, the West African market experienced an absence of enquiry this week. But Mediterranean loading zones were more active, although rates remained static due to the large number of vessels available.

A similar scenario was seen in the Caribbean area and in the North Sea where, despite increased activity, an excess of tonnage led in some instances to a fall-off in the rate structure.

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Med.Eur. (30,000 t.) 155-160 150-160 (Aug 3)

North SeaUSA (30,000 t.) 170-175 unq.

CaribbeanUSA (30,000 t.) 230-235 230

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#90229d5190 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DARMSTADT, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 17) - Seven people suspected of involvement in illegal shipments to Iraq of equipment used in the production of poison gas have been arrested in West Germany, a prosecutor said Friday.

Darmstadt prosecutor Friedrich Hoffmann said an agent of the West German BND secret service, Al Kadhi, was arrested along with employees of various West German businesses in Hamburg, Hanover and Darmstadt.

An employee of the Preussag export group in Hanover and employees of Water Engineering Trading (WET), a Hamburg chemical company, were also among those arrested on charges of violating West German export laws.

The inquiry by the prosecutors's office into the activities of 20 people believed to be implicated in illegal shipments to Iraq was begun in 1987, Mr. Hoffmann said. He said suspicion was directed at individuals and not companies.

The arrests followed revelations about the case Monday in the West German weekly magazine Der Spiegel citing the public prosecutor's office and West German customs sources. Der Spiegel implicated about 50 West German firms in illegal shipments to Iraq.

BND agent Al Khadi allegedly acted as an intermediary between WET, in which he owned shares, and Baghdad for equipment to be used in the manufacture of poison gas, Der Spiegel said.

Secretary of State Lutz Stavenhagen, the government official in charge of the BND secret service, has denied that the BND had "directly or indirectly" helped Iraq in the production of chemical weapons.

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#90229d5210 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ALGIERS (AUG. 17) - Tens of thousands of Moslems demonstrated in the centre of Algiers on Friday in a fundamentalist-organised protest against the deployment of foreign forces in the Gulf.

The protestors, mostly bearded men dressed in the traditional white robes

of their faith, gathered after weekly prayers to condemn the presence of foreign troops in Saudi Arabia and the "Islamic Gulf."

The protest was organised by the Islamic Salvation Front, the fundamentalist opposition party which swept to victory in local elections in June.

Loudspeakers set up around Martyrs Square blared out verses from the Koran.

Banners emblazoned with "No to American Military Presence in Holy Sites" and "No to Colonial Frontiers Dividing Islamic Unity," hung from the balcony of a building overlooking the square.

Demonstrators in the crowd held banners aloft delivering such messages as "Jews and Christians Will Not Be Satisfied Until You Adopt Their Religion," and "It is Time To Build the Koranic State to Unify the Islamic People."

Posters signed by the Salvation Front's spokesman Abassi Madani on walls, bus stops and telephone booths in the city called on the faithful to march throughout Algeria to "express their condemnation of aggression towards the Islamic community."

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#90229d5280 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANJUL (AUG. 17) - All of the logistic problems delaying deployment of a West African peacekeeping force in Liberia have been ironed out and the 2,500 troops will be sent in next week, the force's Ghanaian commander General Arnold Quainoo said here Friday.

He denied that the summoning of a conference here in 10 days of all parties to the conflict to form an interim government would negate the force's mission.

The conference has been called by Gambian President Dawda Jawara, who is also the current chairman of the 16-nation Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) which is assembling the peacekeeping force in the Sierra Leone capital Freetown.

Sir Dawda and Gen. Quainoo had two lengthy meetings here on Thursday, which sources interpreted to mean there were still obstacles to deploying the peacekeeping force.

ECOWAS has failed so far to get the belligerents in Monrovia to agree to a cease-fire, and there is still the outstanding issue of finding 50 million dollars to finance the military operation.

Gen. Quainoo was due to visit the troops at the weekend, then return here

for Monday's scheduled talks with Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor and the foreign ministers of the seven ECOWAS mediating nations, authoritative sources said.

Mr. Taylor had been due here on Thursday, but called the encounter off for what ECOWAS termed "technical reasons."

An informed source said however a rebel official had sent a message that Mr. Taylor was unwell. The source was unable to confirm reports that Mr. Taylor had been in a car accident.

Monday's meeting chaired by Sir Dawda will be a bid to get the rebels to accept a ceasefire and the despatch of the multi-national force.

To date Mr. Taylor has opposed having the force come in without his express invitation, and has dismissed it as a "regional dictatorship club."

Political observers believe the National Patriotic Front of Liberia leader fears it would prevent him from claiming final victory over President Samuel Doe and taking power.

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#90229d5290 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 17) - The United Nations Security Council met Friday to discuss the situation of foreign nationals trapped in Iraq and Kuwait, council president Aurel Dragos Munteanu, of Romania, said.

The meeting was held amid growing speculation on the possibility of an action by U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to guarantee the security of the foreign nationals who have not been allowed to leave Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

In London, British Foreign Office Secretary Douglas Hurd said that his country would do its utmost to obtain an orderly evacuation of its citizens from Iraq and Kuwait, following an order Thursday by Iraqi authorities for the 4,000 Britons in Kuwait to gather at a hotel in the Kuwaiti capital.

A U.N. source said that Mr. Perez de Cuellar, who is currently visiting Peru -- his homeland --, may cut short his tour of Latin America and return to U.N. headquarters if it were necessary.

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#90229d5300 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) - Hopes for a diplomatic settlement of the Gulf crisis dimmed Friday with U.S. warships now ordered to intercept Iraq-bound ships and worry rising over foreigners in Kuwait.

It was still not clear what was happening with an estimated 4,000 Britons and 2,500 U.S. citizens ordered the previous day by Iraqi occupation forces to report to two hotels in Kuwait.

Britons who turned up at one of the hotels were met by no one from the occupation forces, according to diplomatic sources. There had been fears foreigners would be interned in Iraq, virtual hostages.

In New York, Italian United Nations ambassador Vieri Traxler, on behalf of European Community states, called on U.N. Secretary-General Xavier Perez de Cuellar to ask Baghdad what it intended.

The E.C. also called on the Arab League to do all possible to ensure the foreigners's safety in a request made in Tunis by three ambassadors meeting Deputy Arab League Secretary-General Adnan Omran.

Washington expressed greater concern over the fact that its diplomats were denied access to 38 Americans detained in the Hotel Rashid in Baghdad.

The State Department said another 30 Americans had been taken to an unknown place in Iraq. The U.N. Security Council was meeting later Friday to discuss the fate of foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait.

Tass news agency reported that five busloads of Soviets would be flown from Jordan Saturday after being allowed out of Kuwait. Most were women and children of the 800-strong Soviet colony there.

Baghdad Radio said a nightly curfew was being imposed in Kuwait City and the Jahraa area of Kuwait between 2300-0600 hours, but gave no reason.

Pentagon orders meanwhile took effect early Friday for the U.S. Navy to intercept merchant ships in the Gulf to assure no goods reach Iraq. Washington said it hoped other navies would join the action.

There are almost 30 U.S. warships in the Gulf region, and vessels from several other countries, including Britain, France, Canada, the Soviet Union and the Netherlands are also there or on their way.

It was believed the U.S. Navy would be directed to take action in phases, such as first asking a suspected ship to identify its cargo, then firing a warning shot across the bow if necessary.

The order went into effect as U.S. President George Bush met at Kennebunkport, Maine, with Jordan's King Hussein. It was unclear if Hussein gave a specific pledge to close the Red Sea port of Aqaba, last remaining harbour open to handle imports for Iraq.

U.S. intelligence reports, quoted by U.S. media, said the the flow of imports to Iraq via Aqaba was down to a trickle compared with normal, when 30 freighters would be in dock.

As the U.S. force in Saudi Arabia was about to be increased to nearly 100,000 with the arrival of 45,000 Marines, Defence Secretary Dick Cheney was due in Riyadh Friday for talks with Saudi leaders.

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#90229d5530 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 17) - The rise in world oil prices caused by the Gulf crisis is too little to "make a serious difference in Soviet income," as Soviet production is declining markedly, the government daily Izvestia said Friday. Soviet oil output this year should be 560 million to 580 million tons, against 607.3 million last year and 624.3 million in 1988, the newspaper said.

It explained that "In 1988, as now, the Soviet Union was the world's leading (oil) producer, with 12.4 million barrels a day. Four million were for export, including two million for non-communist countries."

It added that "Already in 1989, output dropped by three percent, to 17 million tons (a day), and production was off by four percent in the first quarter of 1990 ... It is expected that oil exports to the West will decline from 54 million tons in 1988 to 25 million tons this year." The Soviet Union is now able to export "only 1.6 million barrels of crude oil a day," Izvestia said.

Speaking of the oil situation, the Communist Party newspaper Pravda said Friday that "If one defers to the judgement of realists, one must not expect any improvement in the situation in the next few years."

On Thursday, Foreign Ministry spokesman Yuri Gremytskikh said that the Soviet Union was not in a position to offset world oil shortages due to the international embargo imposed on Iraq and Kuwait following the former's takeover of Kuwait on August 2.

The current harvest, heralded as an exceptional one, is threatened by a number of practical problems, including serious fuel shortages. One reason is that Soviet energy infrastructure, particularly Siberian pipelines, is in deplorable condition.

Last month, one gas pipeline and one oil pipeline exploded near Tyumen, the main Soviet oil-producing area. Last year, a leak in a gas pipeline near Ufa, in the Urals, caused a rail accident that killed more than 600 people.

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#90229d5570 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SAN JOSE (AUG. 17) - Japan's ambassador to Costa Rica, Chusaku Nomura, died Friday when the small plane he was piloting collided with another light aircraft 10 kilometers (six miles) west of here, authorities said.

Killed along with the 56-year-old envoy was his flying instructor, Albert Janssen, a Norwegian, who was in the same plane, officials said.

Witnesses said the accident occurred at 8 a.m. (1400 GMT) while the two planes were on training flights some two kilometers (1.2 miles) from the airport from which they had taken off minutes earlier.

The bodies of the two victims were recovered from the wreckage of their plane, which went down in the yard of a private residence.

There was no word on the fate of the person or persons aboard the other plane.

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#90229d5600 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 17) - Iraq's air force is no match for that of the United States, which would gain the upper hand within 48 hours of cambat breaking out, a military expert said here Friday.

Michael Dewar, Deputy Director of the London Institute for Strategic Studies, said that only half of the 513 planes Iraq has were actually combat-ready.

The United States by contrast had 150 land-based F15s and F16s and three aircraft carriers each with 86 planes. Britain had 36 combat planes in the Gulf.

''The Americans have better aircraft, better air-to-air weapons, much better electronic equipment and - especially important - much better control and communications facilities,'' Dewar said.

During the eight-year Gulf war with Iran, the Iraqis had not managed to shoot down a single Iranian plane in aerial combat, he said.

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#90229d5690 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MALMO, SWEDEN (AUG 17) - A Swedish jockey was arrested on Friday and charged in connection with the doping of a racehorse in the Swedish Derby last week.

The 37-year-old jockey, whose name was not disclosed, apparently admitted administering a tranquilizer to the horse, Derby favourite Becam Badge, an hour before the race at Jagersro last Sunday.

The horse finished 13th out of 14 and an inquiry revealed traces of the drug Plegicil in the horse's system.

The case is expected to go to trial on August 31.

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#90229d5820 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AQABA, Jordan (AUG. 17) - Fewer ships are calling at Jordan's southern port of Aqaba in the wake of the Gulf crisis, while the number of trucks transporting goods from here to Iraq has been slashed by half after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

(Shipping sources in Israel said that traffic at the Aqaba port monitored in Israel had dramatically decreased over the past few days with only one boat unloading on Thursday.)

(These sources added that out of 10 million tons of goods unloaded each year in Aqaba -- which overlooks Israel's Red Sea resort of Eilat -- some 80 percent were destined for Iraq.)

Customs agents said fewer ships had arrived at Aqaba port amid the international trade embargo on Iraq announced on August 6 by the United Nations Security Council, four days after the Iraqi invasion of its neighbour.

But they said goods for Iraq continued to arrive by boat normally and were then trucked on to Baghdad across the Jordan-Iraq border.

A source at the Jordanian port, Iraq's only outlet to the sea since the embargo took effect, said as many as 400 trucks used to load goods for Iraq each day at Aqaba before the invasion of Kuwait.

But after the August 2 invasion of the tiny emirate and its annexation one week later by Iraq, only 200 trucks a day arrived at Aqaba.

Dozens of these trucks were meanwhile sighted by correspondents visiting the Jordan-Iraq border at Roweished, 270 kilometers (164 miles) east of Amman, as their drivers went through customs before entering Iraqi territory.

At Aqaba itself, port activity was normal Friday, one day after crucial talks in Washington between U.S. President George Bush and King Hussein during which the American president requested that the port be closed to

Iraqi goods.

One customs agents said goods usually arriving here for Iraq include sugar, wheat, milk and industrial raw materials.

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#90229d5920 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 17) - Natural rubber prices were pressured by sterling's strength this week on the London physical market.

The price for Ribbed Smoked Sheet No. 1 (RSS 1) for September delivery closed at 515 pounds per ton against 525 the previous Friday.

Traders said that lower grades had been affected by a persistent lack of interest from tyre manufacturers, but that higher grades were steadied by a shortage of latex.

Market sources suggested that higher oil prices might result in increased production costs for synthetic rubber, and that some buyers might therefore switch to natural rubber.

Statistics released by the International Rubber Study Group showed that natural rubber (NR) and synthetic rubber (SR) consumption had fallen by 10,000 tons each to, respectively, 1.33 million tons and 2.63 million tons in the first quarter of 1990, compared with the same period of 1989.

The fall was due to a decline in U.S. demand, as a result of a slowdown in tyre sales, the Study Group said.

NR production fell by 20,000 tons to 1.25 million tons, and SR output fell by 5,000 tons to 2.61 million tons.

World stocks of NR at the end of March 1990 had fallen to 1.41 million tons, 215,000 tons lower than at the end of March 1989, while those of SR were 110,000 tons lower at 1.52 million tons.

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#90229d5950 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAPE TOWN (AUG. 17) - South African oil exploration company Soekor announced on Friday a major offshore oil find some 100 kilometres (62 miles) south of the Cape coastal town of Mossel Bay.

Soekor said the discovery was yielding 7,700 barrels a day. Tests recorded 3.4 million cubic feet of gas a day through a one-inch choke.

However, the company was cautious about the reserves that could be

exploited.

"Although the oil column of approximately 27 metres (yards) is the best yet discovered in South African waters, there is reason to believe that the reservoir itself is not very large," it said.

South Africa is currently almost entirely dependent on foreign oil for its fuel needs, importing some 100 million barrels of oil a year.

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#90229d6250 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BURGOS, SPAIN (AUG. 17) - A car bomb explosion Friday, slightly injuring 20 outside the police station in the centre of this Spanish town 350 kilometers (217 miles) north of Madrid, was probably the work of Basque separatists, the town's governor said.

The explosion, which destroyed vehicles, including three vans, and shattered windows over a 400 meter (439 yard) range, "carried the mark of ETA," the official said. No one claimed responsibility for the attack.

The bomb practically destroyed the building next to the police station, but four officers, away from the blast area inside the station, were unhurt. The injured, most hit by flying glass, received first aid for slight wounds at Burgos hospital. Bomb experts examined the wrecked car for clues.

In the same region Friday, a bomb explosion on a railway line was believed the work of ETA, after Monday's announcement by the organisation of a fresh terrorist offensive against Spain's railways.

San Sebastian, in the Basque heartland, was the scene of a series of suspected nationalist-inspired incidents Wednesday, including clashes with the authorities after an Assumption day parade.

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#90229d6390 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 17) - Britain's film censors Friday lifted a ban on the screening of a Pakistani movie depicting novelist Salman Rushdie as an alcoholic and a torturer of Moslems.

The decision came after Rushdie, a Briton who was born to a Moslem family in India, demanded that the film ''International Guerrillas'' be released. Rushdie said he was against any kind of censorship.

Iran's late spiritual ruler, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, issued a ''death sentence'' against Rushdie in February 1989 over his novel ''The Satanic Verses'', which many Moslems consider blasphemous.

Rushdie has been in hiding since then.

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#90229d6410 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 17) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,578.00 (1,598.00) 1,540.50 (1,557.50)
Lead 459.90 (458.50) 465.50 (466.12)
Zinc Sh 1,600.50 (1,607.50) 1,536.00 (1,537.50)
Tin 6,080.00 (6,025.00) 6,192.50 (6,145.00)
Aluminium 1,795.00 (1,804.00) 1,819.50 (1,826.50)
Nickel

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90229d6930 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (AUG. 17) - Palestine Liberation Organisation chairman Yasser Arafat met with PLO leaders here Friday to study a Palestinian initiative aimed at defusing the Gulf crisis, the Palestinian news agency WAFA said.

WAFA gave no details of the plan but said it aimed at avoiding war following the formidable military build-up in the region after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

The discussions, grouping members of the PLO Executive Committee, Fatah's Central Council and heads of various Palestinian factions, were to continue Friday.

PLO political advisor Bassam Abu Sharif earlier told reporters the initiative resulted from contacts between Sudanese President Omar al-Bechir,

Libyan leader Colonel Moamer Kadhafi, Yemeni President Ali Abdallah Saleh and Tunisian President Zine el Abidine ben Ali.

All four Arab League members abstained from denouncing the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait at an Arab summit last week.

Sudan, Yemen and the PLO later voted against an Arab League resolution to send an Arab force to Saudi Arabia, while Libya and Tunisia were absent from the vote.

#90229d7310 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (AUG. 17) - Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati called Friday on U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to revive the United Nations supervision of Iraq's troop withdrawal from Iran.

Meanwhile, Iraqi troops Friday began pulling out of Iranian territory still occupied after the Gulf war, and a first batch of Iranian prisoners of war arrived home, according to the Iranian news agency Irna.

Velayati, in a letter to Perez de Cuellar quoted by Irna, said the validity of the 1975 border accord for peaceful coexistence signed by both countries and registered and distributed at the United Nations in 1984 had now been confirmed by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's letter to Iranian President Hashemi Rafsanjani of August 14.

Iran was therefore requesting Perez de Cuellar to instruct the U.N. Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group (Uniimog) to take action in confirming ''the withdrawal on the basis of the 1975 accord which, according to the Iraqi government's announcement, has started today (Friday) and will be completed in five days.''

Iran reaffirmed its commitment to U.N. Security Council resolution No. 598, adopted on July 20, 1987, urging a withdrawal of forces to international boundaries and the cooperation of both countries in mediation efforts to achieve a peace settlement.

Irna said its correspondents saw a pull-out of Iraqi troops from 425 square kilometres in Ilam border province of the total 2,600 square kilometres still under Iraqi occupation after the Gulf war.

Iraqi forces began evacuating the Meimak and Kalleh Qandi Heights in the early hours, the agency said.

It reported scenes of jubilation at the town of Qasr-e-Shirin towards the northern end of the common border as the first batch of prisoners of war returned home from Iraq.

The return was made possible after Wednesday's peace offer to Iran by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in a move widely seen as an attempt to take military pressure off his eastern border.

The International Committee of the Red Cross in Geneva confirmed that an initial batch of 1,000 Pows had crossed from Iraq to Iran, and that Iran had also brought a group of Iraqi Pows to the border.

An official welcoming announcement by Iran's President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani praised the Pows for ''the honour you brought to us and the Islamic homeland''.

First Vice-President Hassan Habibi headed a delegation of ministers and Majlis deputies welcoming the returning Pows, who were initially given full medical examinations at mobile clinics.

Only 2,312 prisoners have been exchanged since the August 1988 ceasefire - mainly sick and wounded. In his peace offer Wednesday, Saddam proposed freeing all prisoners-of-war.

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#90229d7630 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PASADENA, CA (AUG. 20) - Scientists played hide-and-seek with the space probe Magellan Friday but said they would soon release "pretty damn good" radar pictures it took of lava flows and cinder cones on Venus.

The signal between the spacecraft and Earth flickered in and out, with National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) scientists saying it may have locked on to a wrong star when calibrating its antennas.

They said they expected on-board computers to fix the problem.

The radar images, originally due to be released in September, will now be released Monday, said project manager Tony Spears, who said the probe had produced "some raw images that looked pretty damn good."

The craft is circling cloud-shrouded Venus, the second planet from the Sun and Earth's closest planetary neighbor, taking "noodle" radar pictures as it goes -- strips about 1,600 kilometers (1,000 miles) long by 24 kilometers (15 miles) wide.

When assembled side-by-side, they will provide a picture of the entire planet, with resolution 10 times more detailed than that of any of the pictures taken by the approximately 20 U.S. and Soviet spacecraft which have investigated Venus so far.

The pictures, which can distinguish surface details the size of two football fields, show "lava flows and faults and fractures and cinder cones with craters in the top," said scientist Steve Saunders.

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#90229d7640 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) - Iraq, having accepted Iran's conditions for peace, could now seek an agreement to export its oil through Iranian pipelines,

the chairman of the House of Representatives Armed Services Committee said Friday.

Representative Les Aspin admitted, "I'm suspicious and worried about it."

Iran's oil terminal at Kharg Island is capable of pumping out some six million barrels a day, but it currently only moving some two million barrels of Iranian oil a day, said Mr. Aspin.

He said it would take "just a couple of weeks" to construct a link-up between the Iraqi and Iranian pipeline systems, allowing Iran to pump out Iraqi oil along with its own.

Thanks to the increase in oil prices since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, Mr. Aspin believed such a deal would allow Iraq to recoup around 60 per cent of its pre-invasion oil revenues.

Mr. Aspin said he believed the decision by Iraq to withdraw from the Iranian territories it had conquered in the eight-year war between those two countries was connected to a possible oil transshipment deal, especially bearing in mind how unpopular the withdrawal decision must have been with the Iraqi Army.

"It's got to be more than just reducing the pressure on that border and getting some extra divisions, and not really first-rate divisions at that " said Mr. Aspin.

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#90229d7860 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (AUG 17) - The U.S. Army is fighting an uphill battle in trying to convince South Pacific nations and U.S. environmentalists that its experimental chemical weapons incinerator on Johnston atoll in the Pacific poses no threat to the environment.

The atoll, a coral speck located 1,175 kilometers (730 miles) southwest of Hawaii, is the site of the 240-million-dollar Johnston Atoll Chemical Agent Disposal System (JACADS), where obsolete chemical munitions and agents are being burned.

Slated for incineration at the facility on the U.S. territory are aging chemical weapons, some which were moved there from the U.S. Pacific island of Okinawa in 1971 and others which are due to be shipped late this year from a U.S. army depot in West Germany.

The 16-month verification trial program at JACADS, which began several weeks ago, has triggered howls of protest from the 15 members of the South Pacific Forum. In a communique issued in Vanuatu early this month, they

criticized the U.S. burning and transportation program.

"This is another example of the Pacific being used by the major weapons producing states as an experimental area," the communique said.

Friday, the governor of Hawaii, John Waihee, was quoted as saying that the burning of chemical weapons from the U.S. depot in West Germany would be a "disaster for the Pacific."

Next Tuesday, a public hearing will be held in Honolulu on a request by the environmental group Greenpeace to block shipments of chemical arms to the atoll.

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#90229d7890 08/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PHILADELPHIA, PA (AUG 17) - Singer Pearl Bailey died Friday in a hospital here at the age of 72.

A spokesman for the Thomas Jefferson University Hospital who announced the death refused to provide further details.

Ms. Bailey, a southern preacher's daughter, was known world-wide for her throaty rendition of "Hello Dolly."

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#90229e0003 08/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MANAGUA (AUG 17) EFE - The bodies of 14 Nicaraguan peasants, who had been taken prisoner by leftist Sandinista troops in 1982, have been unearthed from a mass grave near the Honduran border, a government-linked human rights group has reported.

Nicaraguan Human Rights Association director Marta Baltodano Wednesday told Managua's Radio Catolica that the grave was discovered Tuesday in the northern town of Murra in the Nueva Segovia province.

Baltodano, who once presided over a human rights watchdog commission set up by the anti-Sandinista Contra rebels, said the grave contained the remains of 14 peasants who had gone missing in 1982 soon after they were taken prisoner by a battalion from the Sandinista Army.

During the 11 years of leftist Sandinista rule, which ended when conservative President Violeta Chamorro took ofice in April, the Army fought a war against U.S.-backed Contrass.

Around 30,000 Nicaraguans are believed to have been killed in the nine-year war.

In mid-June, Baltodano's group reported the finding of another mass grave containing the bodies 10 peasants killed in 1982 near the site of a military base once used by the Sandinista Army.

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#90229e0009 08/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

DARMSTADT, WEST GERMANY (AUG 17) EFE - The West German police have arrested seven people in connection with the construction of chemical weapons plants in Iraq, a spokesman for the West German attorney general said Friday.

Authorities are investigating 20 other high-level employees of various companies in the cities of Hamburg, Hannover and Dreiechenhain, all in the central state of Hessen.

The police in charge of the arrest said that, judging by the blueprints, the Iraqi factories could have manufactured chemical weapons, bombs and munitions.

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#90229e0013 08/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 17) - Soviet labor leaders Friday told the government that nicotine-starved workers were fuming over a recent shortage of cigarettes and warned of nationwide strikes and reduced productivity levels if it did not take immediate action.

"People's patience is reaching its limit," the leaders said in an open letter to the government published Friday in the daily Trud, or Labor.

The union officials demanded to know why only half of the cigarettes and tobacco products had been distributed to shops during the first half of the year.

They also complained that the government had done nothing to stop the sale of black-market cigarettes, normally sold near state-run shops at prohibitive prices.

Soviet-made cigarettes are sold on the black market for six roubles, or 12 times their legal cost, while Western brands go for 20 roubles (dlrs 32), the union leaders said.

The average monthly salary in the Soviet Union is 220 roubles.

The officials added that workers were having to stand for hours in long lines to buy rationed cigarettes, "often to the detriment of worker

productivity."

They said factory workers across the country were threatening to go on strike if the problem was not solved.

Authorities said they did not see a rapid solution to the problem as cigarette filters, paper, cellophane, glue and spare parts for machinery were in short supply.

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#90229e0016 08/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BURGOS, SPAIN (AUG. 17) EFE - At least 15 people were injured by flying glass when a car bomb exploded Friday in front of police headquarters in the Spanish city of Burgos, 210 km north of Madrid, authorities reported.

Police said the victims were treated at a nearby hospital and released, adding that no group had claimed responsiblity for the attack.

Earlier Friday, a bomb exploded on railroad tracks in the province of Avila, west of Madrid, three days after the Basque separatist group ETA promised to plant bombs along three major Spanish rail lines until August 27.

Burgos, however, is not located on one of the threatened lines.

On Tuesday, a small bomb exploded on train tracks some 330 km northwest of madrid between the twons of Villamin and Busdongo.

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#90229e0019 08/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 17) EFE - A flotilla of two Belgian minesweepers and a support ship left Zeebrugge Friday to join other NATO warships in the eastern Mediterranean, standing-in for U.S. ships switched to face Iraq in the Persian Gulf.

The three Belgian vessels are scheduled to arrive at Heraklion, on the Greek island of Crete, in early September but they may be sent on to the Gulf government officials said. The flotilla's final destination will be decided at the Western European Union meeting in Paris Tuesday.

Navy officers said the minesweepers were equipped to resist chemical attack, potentially one of Iraq's most dangerous weapons in the face-off with U.S.-led international forces.

On Thursday fellow NATO and EC partners West Germany and Italy both ordered warships to the eastern Mediterranean to cover for U.S. vessels.

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#90229e0028 08/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MEXICO CITY (AUG. 17) EFE - At least six people have been killed in a clash between members of the Workers Revolutionary Party (PRT) and the national ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI) in a small town south of the capital, officials said Friday.

Other unconfirmed reports said that more than ten people died in a fight which broke out Thursday when the PRT, who won the last local elections, tried to take over the town hall occupied by the PRI since February in Jolalpan, 200 km south of Mexico City.

Two PRT and four PRI members were confirmed dead while another two PRI members were seriously wounded.

Some 200 policemen have been sent to control the political violence in the area.

The PRI, which has governed Mexico for more than 60 years, scraped through to victory in 1988 presidential elections with the smallest majority in its history amid widespread allegations of fraud.

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#90229e0035 08/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MADRID (AUG. 17) EFE - Spanish police said Friday they had broken up a 12-member international heroin ring operating in Madrid and the Costa del Sol holiday coast.

The ring of three Spaniards, two Turks, four Algerians, a Dutchwoman, a Yugoslavian and an Iranian had been arrested in the last three days along with more than dlrs 182,000, police said.

Police also seized 1.5 kg of pure Turkish heroin and drug-related equipment.

They said the group had been bringing in small quantities of heroin to Spain from the Netherlands and Germany, never more than eight kg at a time hidden in cars.

Other members were picked up after suspected ringleader Algerian Karin Frah, was making a sale in the southern city of Malaga.

Police, who have been investigating the network since May, said there could be further arrests.

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#90229h0020 08/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LONDON, AUGUST 16 (XINHUA) -- BRITISH ADVENTUER TOM MCCLEAN MADE A RECORD FIFTH SINGLE-HANDED CROSSING OF THE ATLANTIC ON THURSDAY BUT THIS TIME IN A BOTTLE-SHAPED BOAT.

MCCLEAN, 47, ARRIVED AT FLAMOUTH IN THE SOUTHWEST OF ENGLAND IN HIS 37-FEET BOAT, 37 DAYS AFTER SETTING OUT FROM NEW YORK.

HE HOPES THAT HIS TRIP IN THE 11-TON "TYPHOO ATLANTIC CHALLENGER" WILL BE ABLE TO RAISE 500,000 POUNDS FOR THE NATIONAL CHILDREN'S HOME, A CHARITY ORGANIZATION.

MCCLEAN ALSO HOLDS ANOTHER TWO CROSS-ATLANTIC RECORDS, THE FASTEST ROWING CROSSING IN 54 DAYS AND CROSSING IN THE SMALLEST YACHT OF SEVEN FEET NINE INCHES.

HE SAID IT WAS QUITE DIFFICULT TO MAKE THE TRIP THIS TIME BECAUSE OF HEAD WINDS ALL THE WAY, BUT HE STILL ENJOYED IT VERY MUCH.

AFTER REACHING FLAMOUTH HIS "BOTTLE BOAT" WAS FLANKED BY OVER A DOZEN CONVENTIONAL BOATS TO A WELCOMING CEREMONY IN WHICH HE RECEIVED A REAL BOTTLE--A BOTTLE OF CHAMPAGNE.

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#90229h0061 08/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (AUG. 17) XINHUA - GIANT PANDAS AT THE BEIJING ZOO WILL MOVE INTO A NEW HOUSE BEFORE THE ASIAN GAMES OPEN IN SEPTEMBER.

THE NEWLY COMPLETED PANDA HOUSE, WHICH COVERS AN AREA OF 10,000 SQUARE METERS NEAR THE MAIN GATE OF THE ZOO, INCLUDES THREE EXHIBITION ROOMS SEPARATED BY GLASS. THE HOUSE, WHICH LOOKS LIKE A LYING BAMBOO SHOOT AND HAS ARTIFICIAL LANDSCAPES INSIDE, IS EQUIPPED WITH MODERN LIGHTING, AIR-CONDITIONING AND SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS.

A ZOO OFFICIAL SAID THE OLD PANDA HOUSE, BUILT IN THE 1960S, IS INADEQUATE.

THE GIANT PANDAS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTRACT A GREAT NUMBER OF CHINESE AND FOREIGN VISITORS TO THE ZOO.

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#90229h0063 08/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
TIRANA (AUG. 17) XINHUA - THE ALBANIAN STATE BANK ANNOUNCED THE DEPRECIATION OF THE NATIONAL CURRENCY, THE LEK, TODAY WITH 20 LEKS EQUIVALENT TO ONE U.S. DOLLAR FOR THE COUNTRY'S AVIATION COMPANY AND 15:1

FOR CITIZENS.

ALBANIAN STATE ENTERPRISES AND FOREIGNERS WILL STILL USE THE 10:1 EXCHANGE RATE, WHICH HAS BEEN IN EFFECT THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY SINCE JULY 20. THE EARLIER EXCHANGE RATE WAS 7:1.

MANY ALBANIAN ECONOMISTS HAVE PROPOSED THE DEVALUATION OF LEK SINCE LAST YEAR. ONE PROPOSED EXCHANGE RATE WAS 11:1.

A STATE BANK OFFICIAL SAID THE READJUSTMENTS WERE MADE TO CATER TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

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#90229h0067 08/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KAMPALA (AUG. 17) XINHUA - UGANDAN GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO CHANGE THE COUNTRY'S CURRENT LICENSING ESTABLISHMENT BY SIMP- LIFING THE EXPORT AND IMPORT CERTIFICATION SYSTEM.

THE NEW CERTIFICATES FOR EXPORTS WILL COME INTO EFFECT ON SEPTEMBER 1, WHILE THE NEW IMPORT CERTIFICATION SYSTEM WILL BE EFFECTED AT A LATER STAGE BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR.

AT THE SAME TIME, A REVISED SCHEME FOR BORDER TRADE PERMITS WILL ALSO BE INTRODUCED.

ANNOUNCING THE NEW MEASURES HERE YESTERDAY, UGANDAN COMMERCE MINISTER PAUL ETIANG SAID THE THE AIMS OF THE NEW SYSTEM "ARE TO SIMPLIFY AND SHORTEN PROCEDURES FOR THE OBTAINING EXPORT AND IMPORT LICENCES", ADDING THAT THE MEASURES WILL ALSO INCREASE THE COUNTRY'S NON-TRADITIONAL EXPORTS.

THE NEW MEASURES ARE GEARED TOWARDS TRADE FACILITATION THROUGH THE LIBERALISATION OF EXTERNAL TRADE REGULATION, HE SAID.

THE MINISTER SAID THE SYSTEM APPLIES TO ALL EXPORTERS AND IMPORTERS, BE IT PRIVATE OR PARASTATAL.

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DHAKA (AUG. 17) XINHUA - THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (UNDP) WILL PROVIDE BANGLADESH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WORTH 3.2 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS TO DEVELOP THE HORTICULTURE SECTOR, ACCORDING TO AN ACCORD SIGNED RECENTLY BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND UNDP.

THE ASSISTANCE WILL BE PROVIDED UNDER THE HORTICULTURE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECT OVER FIVE YEARS, A PRESS RELEASE TODAY QUOTED THE ACCORD AS SAYING.

THE PROJECT WILL SEEK TO REDRESS THE STAGNATION OF HORTICULTURE PRODUCTION IN THE COUNTRY IN RESPONSE TO THE GOVERNMENT'S STRATEGY TOWARDS CROP DIVERSIFICATION, IT SAID.

THE UNDP ASSISTANCE WILL COMPLEMENT A CREDIT FROM THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK FOR 22.58 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR THE HORTICULTURE DEVELOPMENT.

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SHANGHAI (AUG. 17) XINHUA - SHANGHAI, CHINA'S LEADING INDUSTRIAL CITY, HAD EXPORTS VALUED AT 3.025 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS OF THE YEAR.

A LOCAL OFFICIAL SAID THAT DESPITE A 14.14 PERCENT INCREASE IN EXPORTS COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, THIS YEAR'S 5.25-BILLION-U.S.-DOLLAR EXPORT TARGET WILL BE DIFFICULT TO MEET. THE COST OF EXPORT GOODS IS INCREASING AND SOME HOT-SELLING ITEMS ARE IN SHORT SUPPLY.

IN ORDER TO REACH THE TARGET, THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT IS SETTING UP MORE OVERSEAS TRADE AGENCIES. THE EFFICIENCY OF EXPORT-ORIENTED ENTERPRISES IS BEING IMPROVED. AND FACTORY LOSSES ARE BEING CONTROLLED AND REDUCED.

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CANBERRA (AUG. 17) XINHUA - TWO SENIOR MINISTERS ANNOUNCED IN A JOINT STATEMENT TODAY THAT THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD INTRODUCE LEGISLATION IN THE BUDGET SESSION TO BAN ALL MINING IN ANTARCTICA TO THE EXTENT OF AUSTRALIA'S LEGAL CAPACITY TO APPLY SUCH A BAN.

THE NEW LEGISLATION WILL PROHIBIT MINING BY AUSTRALIANS AND NON-AUSTRALIANS ALIKE IN THE AUSTRALIAN ANTARCTIC TERRITORY, AND ON ITS ADJACENT CONTINENTAL SHELF, FOREIGN MINISTER GARETH EVANS AND MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT ROS KELLY SAID.

THE LEGISLATION WILL ALSO BAN MINING BY AUSTRALIANS ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE ANTARCTIC REGION. "MINING" FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE LEGISLATION WILL INCLUDE OIL DRILLING, AND THE RELATED STEPS OF PROSPECTING AND EXPLORATION.

"THIS LEGISLATION IS AN IMPORTANT STEP IN AUSTRALIA'S CAMPAIGN TO MAINTAIN THE ANTARCTIC FOREVER AS THE WORLD'S LAST GREAT UNTOUCHED AND UNEXPLOITED WILDERNESS AREA," THE MINISTERS SAID.

THE AUSTRALIAN CAMPAGIN ON THE ANTARCTIC HAS BEEN JOINED BY FRANCE SINCE AUGUST 1989 AND IS CONTINUALLY GAINING MOMENTUM. "WE ARE DETERMINED TO

SECURE THROUGH THE ANTARCTIC TREATY SYSTEM A COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION."

"THIS LEGISLATION IS THE MOST PUBLIC EVIDENCE OF OUR COMMITMENT TO A BETTER SYSTEM THAN THE CURRENT VOLUNTARY MORATORIUM ON MINING AND EXPLORATION," THE MINISTERS SAID.

THE MINISTERS NOTED THAT WHILE THERE IS STILL A LONG WAY TO GO, THEY HOPED THAT SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS WILL BE BE MADE AT THE SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING OF THE ANTARCTIC TREATY PARTIES IN SANTIAGO, CHILE IN NOVEMBER THIS YEAR.

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#90229h0101 08/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 17) XINHUA - DOZENS OF NIGERIAN AND GUINEAN NATIONALS HAVE BEEN TAKEN HOSTAGE BY THE ANTI-GOVERNMENT FORCES LED BY CHARLES TAYLOR AS A REPRISAL AGAINST THE PEACE-KEEPING FORCE OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES (ECOWAS).

REPORTS FROM MONROVIA SAID TODAY THAT TAYLOR'S TROOPS HAD ESCORTED A CONVOY OF 40 FOREIGNERS TO THE COTE D'IVOIRE BORDER, FROM WHERE THEY PROCEEDED TO THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES.

THE FOREIGNERS, MAINLY DIPLOMATS FROM WEST GERMANY AND NATIONALS OF EGYPT, MOROCCO AND INDIA, SAID THAT THERE ARE STILL NEARLY 2,000 NIGERIANS AND SEVERAL THOUSAND PEOPLE FROM OTHER WEST AFRICAN NATIONS TRAPPED AT THE NIGERIAN EMBASSY IN MONROVIA.

TROOPS FROM NIGERIA, GUINEA, GHANA, GAMBIA AND SIERRA LEONE ARE FORMING THE PEACE-KEEPING FORCE IN FREETOWN. THE ECOWAS FORCE IS EXPECTED TO MOVE INTO LIBERIA VERY SOON.

TAYLOR CLAIMED THAT HE WOULD NOT ALLOW AN INTERVENTION FORCE TO ENTER LIBERIA UNLESS HE HAD HIMSELF REQUESTED IT. HE STATES HIS TROOPS WOULD FIGHT AGAINST THE ECOWAS FORCES SHOULD THEY SET FOOT ON LIBERIA'S SOIL.

IT IS BELIEVED THAT TAYLOR'S TROOPS NOW HAVE CONTROLLED MOST OF LIBERIA. MR. TAYLOR DID NOT TURN UP FOR THE SCHEDULED MEETING YESTERDAY WITH THE GAMBIAN PRESIDENT ON HOW THE 2,500-STRONG PEACE-KEEPING FORCE MIGHT BE DEPLOYED TO IMPOSE A CEASEFIRE IN LIBERIA.

PRESIDENT SAMUEL DOE AND PRINCE JOHNSON, LEADER OF A BREAKAWAY GROUP OF THE ANTI-GOVERNMENT FORCE, HAVE AGREED TO THE ECOWAS MILITARY INTERVENTION.

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#90229h0112 08/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA (AUG. 17) XINHUA - DEVASTATING EROSION BY THE SWELLING JAMUNA (BRAHMAPUTRA) SUBMERGED EIGHT VILLAGES IN SIRAJGANJ WEDNESDAY, RENDERING SOME 3,000 FAMILIES HOMELESS AS FLOOD SITUATION IN THE NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT WORSENED FURTHER, LOCAL REPORTS SAID TODAY.

LOCAL PEOPLE RESCUED EROSION VICTIMS OF 500 FAMILIES BY BOAT AND THE PEOPLE HAD BECOME PANIC IN THE WAKE OF SEVERE EROSION AND SHARP RISE IN THE WATER LEVEL OF THE RIVER IN THE LAST FEW DAYS.

THE JAMUNA INUNDATED VAST AREAS AFRESH AND SUBMERGED NINE UNIONS IN TWO SUBDISTRICTS AGAIN FOLLOWING THE CONTINUED RISE OF THE WATER LEVEL. ONLY A FEW DAYS AGO FLOODWATER HAD RECEDED FROM THESE UNIONS.

ABOUT 18,000 FAMILIES WERE BADLY AFFECTED BY THE FRESH FLOODS, ALTHOUGH THE RIVER WAS FLOWING 15 CENTIMETERS BELOW ITS DANGER MARK AT SIRAJGANJ POINT.

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#90229h0122 08/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (AUG. 17) XINHUA - JOINT MILITARY MANEUVERS BY ARGENTINA'S ARMY AND U.S. GREEN BERET FORCES SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER HAVE BEEN POSTPONED DUE TO RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE PERSIAN GULF, MILITARY SOURCES HERE SAID THURSDAY.

A U.S. ARMY COMMUNIQUE RECEIVED AT THE ARGENTINE MILITARY'S "LIBERTADOR" BUILDING SAID U.S. FORCES WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO MOVE MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL TASK FORCE ONTO ARGENTINE TERRITORY AS ALL AVAILABLE FORMS OF AERIAL TRANSPORT WERE USED TO MOVE TROOPS AND FIREARMS INTO SAUDI ARABIA.

ABOUT 40 GREEN BERETS WERE SCHEDULED TO HOLD JOINT MANEUVERS WITH ARGENTINE COMMANDOS ON THE MESOPOTAMIAN COASTAL REGION IN EXERCISES SIMILAR TO THOSE HELD LAST APRIL BETWEEN A DOZEN MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL TASK FORCE AND THE ARGENTINE ARMY'S 601 COMPANY OF COMMANDOS.

A FEW DAYS AGO THE U.S. GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED THAT PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH WAS ALSO POSTPONING A VISIT TO SEVERAL LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES IN SEPTEMBER DUE TO THE GULF CRISIS.

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#90229h0127 08/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SANTIAGO (AUG. 17) XINHUA - CHILE HAS DECIDED TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC TIES WITH ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA AT THE AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL TO FURTHER COOPERATION AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT CAME OUT OF WASHINGTON THURSDAY IN A JOINT PRESS RELEASE SIGNED BY THE TWO NATIONS' AMBASSADORS TO THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN

STATES (OAS), HERALDO MUNOZ OF CHILE AND EDMUNDO HAWKING OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA.

IN THE PRESS RELEASE, BOTH COUNTRIES SAY THEY ARE CONFIDENT THE AGREEMENT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE STRENGTHENING OF MUTUAL COOPERATION IN THE AREAS OF ECONOMIES, TRADE AND CULTURE. THE RELEASE ADDS THAT BOTH NATIONS SHARE THE SAME OBJECTIVES AND GOALS OF PROMOTING PEACE, DEMOCRACY, JUSTICE AND SOLIDARITY IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NORMS AND PRINCIPLES OF INTERNATIONAL LAW.

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BOGOTA (AUG. 17) XINHUA - COLOMBIA'S NEW GOVERNMENT HAS RULED OUT THE POSSIBILITY OF NEGOTIATION WITH DRUG TRAFFICKERS, "BECAUSE THE DOMINION OF THE LAW IS NON-NEGOTIABLE," JUSTICE MINISTER JAIME GIRALDO SAID THURSDAY.

GIRALDO ADDED, HOWEVER, "IF TERRORISM CEASES, ADMINISTRATIVE EXTRADITIONS MUST CEASE."

"THE COUNTRY IS GOING TO APPLY A VERY CLEAR POLICY REGARDING EXTRADITION," HE SAID. "EXTRADITION HAS TWO SIDES IN THE CONCRETE CASE OF OUR LEGAL SITUATION. THERE IS EXTRADITION OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE, PROVISIONAL NATURE. AND THERE IS EXTRADITION THAT COMPRISES A GLOBAL POLICY OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION," ACCORDING TO GIRALDO.

"ADMINISTRATIVE EXTRADITION AROSE IN RESPONSE TO COMBATTING NARCO-TERRORISM AND MUST LEGALLY STOP WHEN NARCO-TERRORISM STOPS," GIRALDO SAID, ADDING THAT "THE WAY THESE EXTRADITIONS ARE GOING TO BE PROCESSED DEPENDS ON WHAT CAUSED THEM.

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TOKYO (AUG. 17) KYODO - THE BANK OF JAPAN HAS NOTIFIED SHORT-TERM MONEY MARKET PARTICIPANTS OF ITS PLAN TO SELL FINANCING BILLS (FBS) WORTH 1.5 TRILLION YEN ON MONDAY UNDER ''GENSAKI'' REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS, MARKET SOURCES SAID FRIDAY.

THE SOURCES SAID THE MARKET APPEARED TO INTERPRET THE PLANNED ACTION AS THE CENTRAL BANK'S NEUTRAL CREDIT STANCE TO MAINTAIN A HEALTHY BALANCE IN CAPITAL LIQUIDITY AS THE MARKET IS EXPECTED TO SEE A NET FUND SURPLUS OF MORE THAN 1.7 TRILLION YEN ON MONDAY.

THE DATE THE CENTRAL BANK WILL BUY BACK THE FBS, THE GOVERNMENT SHORT-TERM SECURITIES, WAS SET ON SEPTEMBER 4, THE SOURCES SAID.

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#90229k0076 08/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 17) KYODO - THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY PLANS TO OVERHAUL THE COUNTRY'S MEASUREMENTS LAW FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 24 YEARS TO BRING JAPAN'S MEASUREMENT UNITS CLOSER TO INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS SOURCES AT THE MINISTRY SAID FRIDAY.

THE PLANNED REVAMPING OF THE LAW IS EXPECTED TO DEFUSE FOREIGN CRITICISM STEMMING FROM INCOMPATIBILITIES IN MEASURING UNITS.

FOREIGN COUNTRIES HAVE OFTEN COMPLAINED THAT JAPANESE MEASUREMENT UNITS SERVE TO BAR THEIR ACCESS TO JAPANESE MARKETS, THE SOURCES SAID.

JAPAN HAS LONG LAGGED BEHIND IN THE WORLDWIDE MOVEMENT TO INTRODUCE THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM OF UNITS AIMED AT GLOBAL UNIFICATION OF MEASUREMENT UNITS.

BY WAY OF EXAMPLE, IF THE REVISIONS IN THE LAW ARE FORMALLY AUTHORIZED THROUGH DIET DELIBERATIONS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN IN DECEMBER NEXT YEAR, THE ''BAR,'' A UNIT OF PRESSURE EQUAL TO ONE MILLION DYNES PER SQUARE CENTIMETER, WOULD LIKELY BE REPLACED BY THE ''PASCAL,'' AN INTERNATIONAL STANDARD UNIT.

THE CALORIE ALSO IS LIKELY TO BE REPLACED BY THE ''JOULE.'' THE SOURCES SAID THE REVISION PROCESS WILL INCLUDE A SWEEPING REVIEW OF OTHER MEASUREMENT REGULATIONS CURRENTLY GOVERNING PRODUCT CERTIFICATION AND SALES.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 17) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports this morning the the U.S. merchandise trade deficit in June was $5.7 billion, significantly better than the $7.1 billion projected. Exports were up 4.6% and imports down 2.9%, including a 9.2% decline in oil imports.

HEWLETT-PACKARD is moving its personal computer headquarters to France and putting it under the control of a Frenchman, JACQUES CLAY. 1,500 jobs by 1992. That's about 4% of the unit's workforce. ... JAMES RIVER CORP. says it will sell or shut down $1.3 billion in unprofitable operations. ... The

chief executive of CETUS CORP. has resigned in the wake of a FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION advisory committee finding that it could not recommend the company's flagship drug. ... A report filed with the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION says the performance of DONALD TRUMP's Atlantic City casinos deteriorated further in the second-quarter.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE will start trading futures and options based on Japan's 225-stock NIKKEI average on Sept. 25.

FROM THE BULLS:

"Although the market dropped and the mood of investors is extremely negative, I think the major risk in the market has already occurred," says DAVID MARVIN, chairman of MARVIN & PALMER ASSOCIATES INC., in Wilmington, Del. "What the market is waiting for now is the first hint of a resolution of the Iraqi problem, whether it be a negotiated settlement or military confrontation. If that happens, I think we could see a buying panic and the Dow could run back to its old highs." The other side of the coin, he says, would be a protracted stalemate with oil prices rising to $30 or $40 a barrel. But he sees only a 10% chance of that happening. ("Investor's Daily", 8/17)

FROM THE BEARS:

PAUL ERDMAN, author of "The Crash of '79" and "The Panic of '89," says there is a 30% to 40% chance the stock market could crash next year -- perhaps to 2000 on the Dow. "Saddam [Hussein] pulled the trigger and the economic repercussions could be much worse than any of us realize," he says. ("USA Today", 8/17)

STOCK MARKET:

"There is good support [on the Dow] around 2680 to 2700," says EUGENE PERONI JR. of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT. "The market is acting very emotionally. Obviously there is a lot of nervousness in the markets, certainly in the stock market. It's very prone to these erratic and wide swings we have seen here in the last couple of sessions. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/17)

A.C. MOORE of ARGUS RESEARCH says Wall Street "woke up with a hangover [yesterday] and his name is [Iraqi President] SADDAM HUSSEIN." ("USA Today", 8/17)

"The Street just can't get its arms around the festering Mideast problem," says LARRY WACHTEL of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. ("Investor's Daily", 8/17)

"Over a period of time we are going to have a lower stock market," says ROBERT DOLL, portfolio manager at OPPENHEIMER FUND MANAGEMENT. "All I am looking for ... is a rally within this downtrend. I think we can be in a trading range for the Dow, call it 2450 to 2750, and I would be looking to buy rallies and sell dips. The next thing I'm looking for is a rally. ... I don't think we're going to have a disaster on our hands, nor do I think we are going to see new highs. [It is an] opportunity for the stock picker." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 8/17)

"Basically, the market was disappointed over the CPI in the morning, which crept into the market all day, and that did not include data collected before the Iraqi invasion," says RON SCHROEDER of J&W SELIGMAN & CO. (NYT 8/17)

"You don't find many heroes in the market right now," says DAN WILLIAMS of DILLON, READ. ("USA Today", 8/17)

"I think the market was disappointed that there was not a personal message from Hussein and that his television broadcast was negative," says JIM AWAD of BMI CAPITAL. "But really every time the world has had a financial crisis like this, when you look back six months later, it has passed. I think for investors, they are getting an opportunity to buy some terrific U.S. companies with no debt, excess cash, cash generators [and] high returns on equities due to an extraordinary outside event that will pass." Believing that stocks are very cheap, Awad continues, "I think what you buy are growth stocks, especially medium-size growth stocks that have lower P/Es than the better known growth stocks. Buy them gradually. Dollar cost average into the eye of the storm which will last several more days or weeks and then, when you look back in six months, we'll remember the Mideast crisis of 1990 like we remembered the crash of '87 and we'll say: 'Why wasn't I there?' The world prevailed. The system didn't end and high quality stocks were very cheap. So, I think you buy them gradually over the next several days." (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/16)

"There are institutions that say 'I've held on so far waiting to see what happens and now I don't like what I'm seeing," says WILLIAM ROTHE, head of over-the-counter trading at ALEX. BROWN & SONS. (WSJ, 8/17)

JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA of GRUNTAL & CO. says the tendency for the market to react wildly to the slightest hint of trouble suggests stocks are "probably fully valued in the broad sense of terms. ... We would think the equity markets might look a lot better in the second half of next year than they will for the next 12 months from this point." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/17)

STOCK TIPS:

Several so-called "Texas recovery" stocks are listed in the "Heard on the

Street" column in "The Wall Street Journal" this morning as potentially profitable investments -- based on the idea that rising oil prices will lift the Texas economy. However, the article cautions that "these aren't plays for the faint of heart." The listed stocks are NCNB CORP., BANC ONE CORP., CHEMICAL BANKING, FIRST INTERSTATE,. A.H. BELO, DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES and NEIMAN MARCUS. (WSJ, 8/17)

HARLEY-DAVIDSON is in the "USA Today" company spotlight this morning. The article says some analysts believe the motorcycle maker should have "a relatively easy ride through the hard times" even though its stock is down 29% in just a few weeks. "We think this is a wonderful growth stock," says ARTHUR DAVIS of PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. ("USA Today", 8/17)

NOVACARE INC. is the stock of the week in "Investor's Daily" this morning. The company specializes in providing rehabilitation services to nursing homes and has seen its stock double in the past year. It has increased fivefold since a November 1988 low. DOROTHY RYAN of ROBERTSON STEPHENS & CO. projects an earnings gain of about 50% in fiscal 1991 and an additional 30% increase the following year. ("Investor's Daily", 8/17)

RON SCHROEDER of J&W SELIGMAN & CO. says yesterday's sell-off created buying opportunities in certain stocks. Among the ones he places in that category are DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES, NEWELL and TYCO LABORATORIES. (NYT, 8/17

Analysts RICK MARTIN and LAURA CONIGLIARO of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE say computer stocks have settled into a seasonal pattern so predictable that investors can profit by basing their trades on the calender. "There are three times a year when you should be buying computer stocks: late April, mid-August and mid-December," says Martin. "Anything other than that is too far from the trough." ("USA Today", 8/17)

"The one thing that the investor has going for him in this situation is that, in the past, if you have sat through situations like this you generally have been better off than using any other kind of strategy," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "You just sit there, you grit your teeth and you sit." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/17)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

ROBERT WHITE of FIRST INTERSTATE BANK OF CALIFORNIA, says the dollar is caught in a "constant tug of war. ... There is little question where the dollar should go: It should go down. But when you intersperse with that comments from SADDAM [HUSSEIN of Iraq] about body bags, it gets support." He referred to a statement by the Iraqi strongman in which he told PRESIDENT BUSH: "You will receive American bodies back in bags." (WSJ, 8/17)

"As long as the U.S. is involved in this [Mideast] crisis, I think we're going to find that the dollar is not the safe haven it once was during international crises," says SCOTT HORWITZ of BANK OF BOSTON. ("Investor's Daily", 8/17)

"Theoretically dollar/mark should run to either around 1.54 [marks] or even possibly 1.5250 before you see any big bounce, but you must remember that technically the dollar's getting more and more oversold against everything," says DAVID COCKER, currency strategist at CHEMICAL BANK in London. "I would say probably within three to four days you will see a significant bounce, but that doesn't mean to say it can't go down lower first." (Reuters, 8/17)

"Even though the tension may have escalated in the Gulf, the [currency] market is focusing on two trajectories in the U.S. economy -- weaker growth and higher inflation," says MARC CHANDLER, a currency analyst with MMS INTERNATIONAL in Chicago. (NYT, 8/17)

GARY SCHLOSSBERG, an economist with WELLS FARGO, says a "higher-than-acceptable inflation rate ... puts off any easing by the Federal Reserve for several weeks at the very least." ("Investor's Daily", 8/17)

"My guess is [the Fed] will come away from the [FOMC] meeting with a strong bias toward easing, but wait to implement that ease until they get more data such as [August's] purchasing managers' and employment" reports, says, DARWIN BECK, money market economist at FIRST BOSTON CORP. (Reuters, 8/16)

"It will be very hard for the Fed to ease interest rates at this time," says NORMAN ROBERTSON, chief economist at MELLON BANK CORP. "In fact, the Fed may not ease unless or until there is clear evidence that we are in a recession." (WSJ, 8/17)

Fed "policy will remain unchanged," says JOHN WILLIAMS, managing director at BANKERS TRUST CO. "You can't credibly ease policy in the context of an increase of the core rate of inflation, especially with the prospects of higher inflation from higher oil prices." (Reuters, 8/16)

"You have a fragile stock market and bond yields that are close to 9%,"

says WARD McCARTHY of STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. "That's a combination that has always attracted small investors to the bond market." But buying by small investors alone is not enough to offset a bearish sentiment in the market, he says. (WSJ, 8/17)

THE ECONOMY:

"We are in a recession, oh yeah, absolutely," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist for "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/17)

"With the prospects for higher energy prices coming down the poke, the inflation outlook is pretty bleak," says JOHN WILLIAMS, economist for BANKERS TRUST. ("The Washington Post", 8/17)

"The base inflation rate is disturbing, even forgetting the oil," says ROBERT DEDERICK, economist with NORTHERN TRUST CO. of Chicago. "The core rate doesn't show any signs of attrition. At the producer goods level, clear-cut progress has been made against inflation. At the consumer level it's all been washed away." ALLEN SINAI of BOSTON CO. ECONOMIC ADVISORS says inflation "was very much concentrated in services' in yesterday's CPI report. "The shortage of labor in the service sector and the continuing demand for services showed up." ("Investor's Daily", 8/17)

The CPI report "was a very disappointing report." says LYNN REASER of FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP. "It indicates that inflation is still at a high troublesome level, especially looking at the core rate of inflation" which rose 0.6%. She continues, "Monetary policy has been very tight for the last couple of years. The economy is slowing down." (FNN's "Marketwrap", 8/16)

DONALD STRASZHEIM of MERRILL LYNCH says the combination of a spurt in consumer prices and a decline in housing starts reported yesterday raises the specter of "stagflation" -- rising prices and a shrinking economy. "The reaction in the financial community was understandably terrible," he notes. "People are getting a whiff of stagflation and see the Federal Reserve in an even tighter box. It will take a good garden-variety recession or worse to get inflation down." (WSJ, 8/17)

"Inflation looks worse and so does the economy," says ROBERT BARBERA, chief economist at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "The likelihood that the economy can handle the upcoming energy shock and still have a downward glide and avoid a recession is pretty dim." (NYT, 8/17)

"The [oil] market obviously believes the only way out of this is a military solution," says SHAHROKH NIKKHAH, an oil specialist at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. "The market is anticipating, if not an all-out military conflict, certainly the potential for some skirmishes, which could lead to acts of terrorism against Saudi facilities, Kuwaiti facilities or even

Iraqi facilities." He sees the probability of oil going to $32 to $35 a barrel and a chance for it to spike substantially higher if there is military action. (NYT, 8/17)

Word that Saudi Arabia has called for an OPEC meeting "knocked [oil] prices down a little bit [yesterday] but then people's attention drifted back to the swords and the scabbards they come out of so frequently," says PETER BEUTEL, an oil trader at MERRILL LYNCH. 2 LAWRENCE GOLDSTEIN, president of the PETROLEUM INDUSTRY RESEARCH FOUNDATION, notes that "there's a lot of confusion about what they [Saudi Arabia and Venezuela] are or are not doing about production." ("The Washington Post", 8/17)

"Over time, I think the oil price shock will be deflationary because it is having an adverse effect on purchasing power," says JOSEPH CARSON, a senior economist at CHEMICAL BANK. "But in the next few months there is some bad news ahead for consumer prices. An increase of seven-tenths of a percentage point in the index for August is something that could be easily attained." (NYT, 8/17)

IN WASHINGTON:

The impact of the Middle East crisis will make the budget process "more intense," says ALEXIS CAIN, director of research at the DEFENSE BUDGET PROJECT. "It may also increase everyone's desire to get a deal, some kind of deal, no matter how much deficit reduction it actually achieves in order to insure that we don't have Gramm-Rudman- Hollings cuts which would have a very bad effect on the military at this time when they are going into a major operation." (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/16)

A COMMERCE DEPARTMENT report says U.S. companies are seeing their share of the global telecommunications market decline, an erosion that would prove dangerous to the health of the American economy. "This report represents a very strong statement ... telecommunications is one of our cutting-edge industries and has also historically been a stellar performer," says JANICE OBUCHOWSKI, an assistant Commerce secretary and co-author of the report. "But we need to tend to some macroeconomic factors." ("The Washington Post", 8/17)

The FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION has accused PROFESSIONAL COIN GRADING SERVICE INC., of making numerous false and misleading claims. The suit is seen as a big blow to the coin world's attempts to improve its image and could set back plans of MERRILL LYNCH and others to sell investors rare coins and limited partnerships that invest in coins. (WSJ, 8/17)

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MEXICO, MO. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - A. P. Green Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ:

APGI) announced today that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.15 per share payable on Sept. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record on Aug. 31, 1990. This is the eighth consecutive quarterly dividend.

A. P. Green Industries, Inc. headquartered in Mexico, Mo., is a leading manufacturer and distributor of refractory products in both the United States and international markets. The company also manufactures industrial lime products used in the production of steel, aluminum and paper, and for road stabilization and water purification.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Plains Resources Inc. (AMEX: PLX) said today that it would no longer submit bids for the sale of natural gas to utility, industrial and pipeline customers. The company said that future sales of natural gas from its wells would be made on the basis of a monthly fixed price posting.

Plains said that it would post the price at which it would sell natural gas from the wellhead no later than the 20th day of the month immediately preceding the month in which the sales will occur. The company said that its wellhead posting for the month of September would be $1.65 per MMBtu for Mid-Continent natural gas and $1.75 per MMBtu for gas produced by it in the Gulf Coast region. The company said that its posting would not affect long-term contractual commitments but would apply only to spot sales.

Patrick Collins, Plains Resources' president, said that the company would no longer sell its natural gas at prices below replacement costs. "The price posted for September is a fair and reasonable price," Collins said. "We have pegged our September price to an Btu equivalency averaging about $10 per barrel of crude oil. If natural gas is to be an available fuel alternative for petroleum products, U.S. natural gas producers must be able to sell at prices that will enable them to continue to explore and produce."

Plains Resources Inc. is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with operations in the Gulf Coast areas of Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi and the Mid-Continent areas of Oklahoma, the Texas Panhandle and southwestern Kansas.

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#90229p5511 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
WORCESTER, MASS. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Cambridge BioScience Corporation (NASDAQ: CBCX), announced today that it has requested its customers to discontinue use of Lot No. A6535 of its 5-minute HIV-1 latex screening test because certain kits in the lot no longer meet the manufacturer's quality control release specifications. The action does not affect the company's Recombigen(R) (env & gag) HIV-1 EIA test, used for high volume screening.

A company spokesman said that the company's quality control department has tested different lots of the product manufactured before and after Lot No. A6535 and found the kits to be functioning properly and believes that Lot No. A6535, consisting of approximately 140 kits, is the only lot affected.

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#90229p6437 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
PRAGUE (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Hotel Diplomat opened in Prague on Aug. 3, adding 386 first-class rooms and suites to the limited supply in the Czechoslovakia capital. Managed by Vienna International, an Austrian hotel management company, and designed for the international business traveler, the hotel features business and fitness centers, three restaurants, a non-smoking floor and rooms for the handicapped.

The Diplomat is within walking distance of Hradcany Castle, about seven minutes by subway from the city center, and at the edge of the embassy and residential district on the main road from the airport into Prague. Bus and underground stops are in front of the hotel.

The business center provies consulting, data bank and research services; secretaries and translators; a conference room with coffee- making facilities; photocopiers, fax and telex. Twelve fully equipped offices can be rented by companies on a temporary basis. Express check- in and check-out, transfers and luggage delivery from and to the airport are offered.

Guests can dine in Loreta, a gourmet restaurant serving international cuisine; Belvedere, a buffet restaurant; and Klimt, a Viennese coffee shop. The Skyline nightclub, open from 10 pm to 3 am, has live entertainment. Leisure facilities include a fitness center, sauna, whirlpool, massage and solarium. Seven function rooms with state-of-the-art equipment can hold from 10 to 350 persons. The hotel also has a club room, shops, barber shop/hairdresser, airline counter, travel agency, car rental and a garage.

Hotel Diplomat is the first hotel in Czechoslovakia to join SRS Hotels, the worldwide hotel marketing consortium. Information and reservations for individuals and groups can be obtained from the SRS Hotels Reservation Center, 1155 South Semoran Blvd., 1129, Winter Park, FL 32792, (800) 223-5652 in the U.S. (including Puerto Rico, Alaska and Hawaii) and Canada.

CONTACT: Jan Meyers, 212-724-5232, or Ewen Gillies, 212-724-7695, for Hotel Diplomat

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#90229p6448 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Nycal Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: NYCL) today announced the signing of a letter of intent with Claremont Petroleum (USA) Pty. Ltd. ("Claremont") and Moage, Inc. ("Moage") to acquire stock, oil and gas properties and other assets from Claremont and Moage.

Under the agreement, Nycal will acquire a total of approximately 9.4 million shares (approximately 76 percent) of the common stock of Woodbine Petroleum, Inc. (NASDAQ: WDBN), an independent oil and gas exploration company headquartered in Dallas. In its annual report for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1989, Woodbine reported gross revenues from production of oil and gas of over $1.2 million, and estimated proved, developed petroleum reserves of approximately 250,000 barrels of oil and 3.6 million MCF of natural gas.

In addition to the Woodbine stock, the agreement provides for the acquisition of all the U.S.-based oil and gas properties owned by Claremont and Moage and certain other assets, for $3.5 million in cash and assumption of a $1.5 million bank loan. During their fiscal year ended June 30, 1989, Claremont and Moage, both subsidiaries of Australian public companies, reported combined gross revenues from oil and gas production of over $2.3 million.

Completion of the acquisition is subject to execution of a definitive agreement, with closing estimated to occur within 30 days thereafter. A more detailed announcement will follow upon completion of the definitive agreement.

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#90229p6449 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDEN, COLO. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Barringer Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ: BALB) today reported that for the three months ended June 30, 1990, the company recorded sales of $2,313,000 compared to $1,896,000 for

the comparable quarter in 1989, an increase of 22 percent. Sales for the six month period were $3,736,000 compared to $3,028,000 in 1989, a 23 percent increase.

Barringer's net income for the quarter was $52,000, or $.02 per share, compared to $75,000, or $.06 per share in the same quarter last year. For the six month period the 1990 loss was $178,000 or $.08 per share versus a loss of $258,000 or $.20 per share for the 1989 period.

Robert Walker, chief executive officer, commented, "Our operation generated profits before tax of $102,000 for the 1990 second quarter based upon the continued excellent performance of our Canadian subsidiary. Sales and earnings from our Canadian subsidiary, which was newly equipped in 1988, reached record levels and that performance appears to be continuing.

"Sales in our minerals laboratories were sluggish due to reduced overall mining activity. In the last few weeks activity has increased and the third quarter should show improved sales and profitability for that segment.

"Our Golden based radio-chemistry facility recorded a lower level of activity. This was caused by a slowdown of reclamation work by one of our major customers during the second quarter and the construction activity for the expansion of this lab. With the completion of construction of the Radio-chem lab coupled with the aggressive sales and marketing effort begun in April, results are expected to improve beginning in the third quarter.

Headquartered in Golden, Colo., Barringer Laboratories provides analytical testing services for the environmental and minerals industry.

BARRINGER LABORATORIES, INC.
Consolidated Results of Operations
(in thousands except share data)

Periods ended	Quarter		Six months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$2,313	$1,896	$3,736	$3,028
Pre-tax inc. (loss) from continuing operations	102	164	(118)	(171)
Provision for taxes	50	---	60	---
Inc. (loss) from cont. opers.	52	164	(178)	(171)
Inc. (loss) from discont. oper.	---	(89)	---	(87)
Net income (loss)	52	75	(178)	(258)
Per share data: Net inc. (loss) per share from continuing operations	$.02	$.13	$(.08)	$(.14)
Net (loss) per share from				

discontinued operation	---	(.07)	---	(.06)
Net inc. (loss) per share	.02	.06	(.08)	(.20)
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,183,333	1,259,034	2,156,169	1,259,034

CONTACT: Stanley Binder, CFO of Barringer Laboratories, 201-984-5760, or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Barringer Laboratories

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#90229p6451 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, OR (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Bancorp (NASDAQ: USBC) Board of Directors today declared a 20 percent common stock dividend payable Sept. 14 to shareholders of record Aug. 27. Shareholders will receive one new share of stock for every five shares held on the record date. Cash will be paid in lieu of fractional shares based on the per share closing sale price on the record date. The stock dividend will increase the outstanding common stock to approximately 60 million shares.

A quarterly cash dividend of 25 cents per share was also declared, payable Oct. 5 to shareholders of record Sept. 17 and will be paid on the shares issued in the stock dividend.

"Maintaining the cash dividend rate of $.25 cents paid on the increased number of shares represents a 20 percent increase in the cash dividend and continues our record of 33 consecutive years of increased cash pay-out to our shareholders," said Roger L. Breezley, chairman and chief executive officer. "Our economic forecast indicates the Northwest will continue to grow but at a slower pace. We remain confident in future earnings prospects for U.S. Bancorp," Breezley added.

U.S. Bancorp is a superregional financial services company headquartered in Portland, Ore. Subsidiaries include Oregon's largest bank, U.S. National Bank of Oregon and Washington's third-largest bank, U.S. Bank of Washington, National Association. Other financial service businesses include U.S. Bancorp Capital Markets, U.S. Bancorp Real Estate Group, Asset Management and Insurance Group and U.S. Bancorp Financial.

CONTACT: Donald F. Bowler, Jr., 503-275-5702; or Kimberly B. Strand, 503-275-5773, both of U.S. Bancorp

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#90229p6452 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of San Francisco-based Transcisco Industries Inc. (AMEX: TNIA and TNIB) today announced third quarter cash dividends of $.075 per share for Class "A"

common stock and $.025 per share for Class "B" common stock. Cash dividends are payable on Oct. 23, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Sept. 29, 1990.

Transcisco Industries is an industrial services company engaged in the maintenance, manufacturing, retrofitting, and leasing of railroad car equipment. Transcisco Tours, a wholly owned subsidiary of Transcisco Industries, operates a dinner train operation in San Antonio, Texas. Transcisco owns 36 percent of PLM International, an AMEX-listed diversified equipment leasing company, and Transcisco also owns 20 percent of SOVFINAMTRANS, a U.S.S.R. railcar leasing company that operates tank cars with Transcisco's Uni-Temp heating system. Transcisco expects to diversify its exposure, both in equipment types and geography, to proprietary transportation equipment, parts and operating businesses using its own unique technologies and its proven financing skills.

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#90229p6453 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - San Francisco-based Transcisco Industries Inc. (AMEX: TNIA, TNIB) announced second quarter earnings and revenues for the period ending June 30, 1990.

For the second quarter, revenues were $6,828,000 and earnings from continuing operations were $134,000, equal to 3 cents per share. For the same period in 1989, revenues were $12,361,000 and net income was $1,156,000, equal to 26 cents per share.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $12,994,000 and earnings from continuing operations were $249,000, equal to 6 cents per share. For the same six month period in 1989, revenues were $21,128,000 and net income was $1,531,000, equal to 35 cents per share.

According to Mark C. Hungerford, chairman and chief executive officer, Transcisco Industries Inc. has begun its transition from a railcar maintenance company into a diversified transportation services company. Transcisco Tours has become operational through its acquisition of the Transcisco Texan Railway, and Transcisco Trading continues to increase its presence in tank car retrofitting and leasing in Eastern Europe and Asia using its proprietary Uni-Temp technology.

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diversified equipment leasing company, and Transcisco also owns 20 percent of SOVFINAMTRANS, a U.S.S.R. railcar leasing company that operates tank cars with Transcisco's Uni-Temp heating system. Transcisco expects to diversify its exposure, both in equipment-types and geography, to proprietary transportation equipment, parts and operating businesses using its own unique technologies and its proven financing skills.

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#90229p6456 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Claire's Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CLE) today reported net income during the second quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990, increased 43 percent to a record $3.4 million, or $.17 per share from $2.4 million, or $.12 per share a year ago. Net sales increased 45 percent to a record $55.2 million from $38 million in the previous year, with same-store sales increasing 11 percent.

Net income for the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990, increased 54 percent, to a record $6.6 million, or $.33 per share from $4.3 million, or $.22 per share in the comparable period a year ago. Net sales for the six months increased 50 percent to $108.7 million from $72.3 million.

"We are pleased to report our seventh consecutive quarter of record sales and earnings," stated Rowland Schaefer, Claire's chairman and president. "Our strong sales momentum has continued into the third quarter making us optimistic about our back-to-school selling season. We look forward to a continuation of our excellent sales and earnings results based on approximately 100 store openings between now and Christmas as well as continued same-store growth," he concluded.

Claire's Stores, Inc., the nation's premier retailer specializing in one-stop shopping for women's fashion accessories, currently owns and operates 887 stores in 47 states, primarily under the names "Claire's Boutiques," "Topkapi" and "Dara Michelle."

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#90229p6463 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH WINDSOR, CT (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Gerber Scientific, Inc. (NYSE: GRB), today reported lower first quarter operating results. Consolidated sales for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990, were $66,609,000, a decrease of 11 percent from $74,670,000 for the same period last year. Consolidated net earnings for the three months ended July 31, 1990, were $2,733,000 compared with $7,721,000 in the same period of last year, a

decrease of 65 percent. Earnings per share were 12 cents in this year's first quarter compared with 32 cents last year based on average shares outstanding of 23,642,000 and 24,066,000, respectively.

The company received new orders totalling $58,200,000 in the three months ended July 31, 1990, compared with $66,400,000 for the same period last year, a decrease of 12 percent. Backlog was $62,400,000 at July 31, 1990, compared with $74,600,000 a year earlier.

As previously reported, the company is experiencing softness in order entry in all of its major product areas and expects that this year's second quarter operating results will also be lower than the prior year. A number of additive factors have contributed to this downturn, including increased worldwide competition, a sluggish U.S. economy, tighter credit availability to the company's customers, bankruptcies in the retail industry, lower military spending, and disruption in Eastern Bloc markets. The company is taking action to bring costs in line with the expected lower levels of business, including employee reductions, consolidation of facilities, and cost reductions in other operating areas. However, without an improvement in economic conditions, the company expects that it will be difficult to significantly improve upon the current level of operating results in the second half of the year. The company is in a period of transition to newer products which are not expected to have major impact on the short- term consolidated results but which the company believes have excellent long-term market potential. The company has a long-standing commitment to research and the development of new products and intends to continue its current level of R&D efforts during this period.

The company remains financially strong with high liquidity and a low ratio of debt-to-equity. Cash and short-term cash investments increased $9.4 million during the first quarter to $39.2 million at July 31, 1990, and total debt as a percentage of shareholders' equity was 9.7 percent.

Gerber Scientific, Inc., produces high technology factory automation capital equipment for a variety of industries.

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#90229p6465 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ZANESVILLE, OHIO (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - William A. Phillips, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Mutual Federal Savings Bank, A Stock Corporation (NASDAQ: MFBZ), announced today that Mutual Federal earned net income of $519,000, or $.63 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, which was virtually unchanged from a year ago when net income was $525,000, or $.65 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

Mutual Federal reported a net loss of $19.7 million or $24.06 per share for the nine months ended June 30, 1990 compared to net income of $1.4 million or $1.73 per share for the nine months ended June 30, 1989. Phillips explained that Mutual Federal wrote off $20.3 million of goodwill and increased the provision for loan losses by $1.2 million during the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1989. These moves were part of the restructuring plans in connection with the pending acquisition by Park National Corporation of Newark, Ohio ("Park").

As previously announced on Aug. 3, 1990, all regulatory approvals have been received for the merger of Mutual Federal and Park. The merger is expected to be completed by Aug. 31, 1990, assuming a favorable vote from shareholders of Park and Mutual Federal. Park's shareholders will vote on the merger and related matters at a special meeting to be held on Aug. 27, 1990. The merger and related matters will be voted upon at Mutual Federal's annual meeting, scheduled for Aug. 28, 1990.

In the merger, Mutual Federal shareholders will receive .2086 of a Park share for each share of Mutual Federal common stock. Although no assurances can be given, it is anticipated that Park's stock will be listed on the NASDAQ system upon completion of the merger. Presently there is no active market in Park's stock but Park's management is aware of a few recent sales at $61.125 per share.

Phillips said, "The board of directors and management of Mutual Federal are very pleased to be joining forces with such a fine institution as Park National." Phillips further stated that the two organizations have been working on this merger for over 10 months.

Additionally, Phillips commented that Mutual Federal's shareholders have not received a dividend payment the last three quarters. If the merger is approved by shareholders and closed by Aug. 31, 1990, as presently contemplated, the former shareholders of Mutual Federal will receive any dividends paid in the future to shareholders of Park. Phillips noted that Park has declared a $.60 per share dividend to be paid Sept. 10, 1990 to shareholders of record on Aug. 31, 1990 which, adjusted by .2086 Park shares, equates to approximately $.125 per share for Mutual Federal shareholders.

At June 30, 1990, Mutual Federal's total assets were $295.8 million and shareholders' equity was $1.4 million.

Mutual Federal operates 10 branch offices and two mortgage lending offices in central and southeastern Ohio.

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#90229p6467 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - ASM International N.V. (NASDAQ: ASMIF) today reported losses on lower revenues for both the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the six months, the net loss was Dfls (5.0) million compared to net earnings of Dfls 7.8 million for the similar period in 1989. The second quarter net loss totaled Dfls (3.7) million versus net earnings of Dfls 3.0 million for the comparable three months last year. On a per share basis, the 1990 loss was Dfls (0.67) per share for the six months, and Dfls (0.50) per share for the quarter.

Total revenues declined 11 percent for the six months to Dfls 188.3 million, and 9 percent for the second quarter to Dfls 96.2 million. Worldwide sales were about evenly distributed between front and back end systems and between Eastern and Western hemisphere operations.

Backlog at June 30, which equaled Dfls 259.3 million including Dfls 84.8 million related to a previously announced contract with the USSR, was also balanced between wafer fabrication, and assembly and encapsulation systems. The backlog figure represented a 4 percent rise from the level of Dfls 248.8 million at March 31.

Del Prado commented that the Netherlands-based ASM Fico and Hong Kong headquartered ASM Pacific Technology Ltd., which are principally involved in the production of assembly and encapsulation equipment and materials, are prospering and overall will have excellent results for the year. The Hong Kong facilities which experienced production difficulties in the first quarter made up a significant portion of the deferred volume in the second quarter and expect to see the shortfall corrected in the second half.

As indicated earlier this year, the company expects the negative influences of the first half to continue through the summer quarter. Although the company foresees good improvement in the fourth quarter, it is not likely the turn will result in a positive bottom line for the whole of 1990.

ASM International N.V., headquartered in Bilthoven, the Netherlands, dedicates its resources to the research, development, manufacturing, marketing and servicing of equipment and materials used to produce semiconductor devices. The company provides production solutions for the main areas of semiconductor production: wafer processing, assembly and encapsulation. The company's principal facilities in the Netherlands, the United States, Hong Kong and Japan enable it to meet local specifications and to sell and service its products in the world's major semiconductor

markets of Europe, the United States and Asia.

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#90229p6468 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

FALLS CHURCH, VA. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - QuesTech Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: QTEC) announced that QuesTech Research Division, as part of a team, has won a five-year task order contract from the Air Force in support of the Electro-Optical/Camouflage, Concealment and Deception Analysis program.

QuesTech Research Division will be subcontractor to the Environmental Research Institute of Michigan. The work will be performed predominately in the Dayton, Ohio area and has an estimated potential value of $800,000.

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#90229p6470 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - With final approval from the Commerce Comission to begin building a cellular network in New Zealand, BellSouth (NYSE: BLS) announced today that it plans to design and build an advanced digital wireless system, based on the newly emerging Group Speciale Mobile (GSM) pan-European standard.

The company believes this will be the first such network in the Southern Hemisphere.

BellSouth said the GSM standard is an evolving and highly complex system, but early results have given encouraging indications of the tangible benefits it will provide customers. The GSM standard is being used as the platform for the introduction of personal communications services in the U.K., with services scheduled to begin mid-1992.

"A GSM network configuration will allow us to offer our customers various types of personal communications services by the turn of the century," said Terry Winters, managing director of BellSouth New Zealand. "By the mid-nineties, we will be assigning telephone numbers to people, not places. Our customers will be able to communicate with each other, no matter where they are, by using a lightweight, pocket-sized, go-anywhere handset."

BellSouth said it has already begun conducting in-depth market and technical feasibility studies. The company expects to begin offering services by mid-1992 -- soon after the U.K. GSM digital network becomes

operational.

BellSouth plans to design its GSM network in such a way as to facilitate a natural evolution to more advanced personal telecommunications services, which is expected in the late nineties. One major objective of the GSM system is to be able to integrate it with ISDN (Integrated Services Digital Network) telephone systems, allowing customers to send faxes and access other data applications. The GSM network will allow BellSouth to provide service to a large percentage of portable users, while providing extensive domestic and international roaming capability.

"We chose New Zealand as the site for our first GSM network because of the country's buoyant economy and also because customers in New Zealand have embraced cellular services so rapidly," Winters said. "Strategically, this is a very important step for us. We plan to apply the experience we gain in New Zealand to other countries around the world that are looking at developing state-of-the-art wireless systems."

BellSouth, a $30 billion corporation, is the fourth largest telecommunications services company in the world. BellSouth provides mobile communications services in the United States, Australia, the United Kingdom, France, Argentina and Mexico.

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#90229p6472 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - OptimumCare Corp. (NASDAQ: OPMC), which operates psychiatric care and chemical dependency programs nationwide, announced today its results for the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

Revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $288,989 compared with $383,088 for the previous year's second quarter. OptimumCare reported a net loss of $231,402 or $.05 per share for the three month period compared with a loss of $71,091 or $.01 per share for the same period last year.

Edward A. Johnson, OptimumCare's president, indicated that the losses were due to the severance agreement paid to a key employee who resigned during last quarter and the losses associated with operation of their Bellflower psychiatric unit. The Bellflower contract, which had incurred a net loss since its inception last January, was terminated June 15, 1990. "We expect this termination to enhance our short-term liquidity and earnings position while we continue our efforts to hopefully add new, and more profitable contracts," said Johnson.

Revenues for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, were $646,501

compared with $873,948 for the same period last year. OptimumCare reported a net loss of $288,978 or $.06 per share at the half compared with a loss of $27,545 or $.01 per share for the same period last year.

Johnson said, "We have had to make some difficult decisions during the past several months, but they were necessary for our continued growth. We are now strengthening our operations with profitable contracts and additional services which should enhance revenues at existing facilities."
OptimumCare announced the opening of a 20-bed chemical dependency unit at Washington Medical Center in Culver City, Calif., earlier this week.

OptimumCare Corp. establishes and markets in-patient programs for the treatment of psychiatric disorders and chemical dependencies at host health care facilities.

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#90229p6473 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PASADENA, CA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (NYSE: JEC) announced today the signing of a contract to provide engineering services for a vacuum distilled titanium sponge manufacturing facility for Titanium Metals Corp., also known as TIMET, of Henderson, Nev.

The announcement was made by Gerald L. Stevenson, group vice president, Western Region, who said that the facility will employ proven state-of-the-art vacuum distillation technology to produce high quality titanium sponge.

Titanium and its end products are widely used in aerospace and industrial applications.

The 22-million-pound annual capacity sponge plant will be operated by TIMET at, and in conjunction with, its existing titanium sponge, ingot, and research facilities in Henderson. The advanced technology and financing for the project will be provided by a group of Japanese companies consisting of Toho Titanium Co. Ltd. and its primary shareholders: Nippon Mining Co. Ltd. and Mitsui and Co. Ltd., and Mitsui and Co. (U.S.A.) Inc. TIMET is owned by Barold Corp. of Houston, Tex.

"This new project follows work completed by Jacobs in 1983 at the same facility," said Stevenson. "That project, to design and build a major electrolytic cell facility to produce magnesium metal, and its successful completion, led to the awarding of the current work," he added.

Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. provides single-source environmental and hazardous waste management, consulting, engineering, design, architectural construction, construction management, contract maintenance, and operations services to government and industry worldwide.

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ELKIN, NC (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Brendle's, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: BRDL) an upscale discount department store headquartered in Elkin, N.C. announces the Grand Opening of two new stores in the Tidewater, Va. area.

These new 40,000 square foot Brendle's stores, located at the Regency Hilltop Shopping Center on Laskin Road in Virginia Beach and Newport News Crossing on Oriana Road in Newport News, will be Brendle's first entry in the Tidewater, Virginia Market. Both stores will feature the new raceway design for ease of shopping.

The store managers for the new stores will be Mr. Tom Roberts for Virginia Beach and Ms. Holly Barnes for the Newport News store.

These two new Tidewater stores will be the eighth and ninth of fifteen new stores Brendle's will open during its aggressive 1990 campaign, bringing their total to 58 stores throughout North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, and Georgia.

Brendle's, Inc. is a public company traded over the counter under the symbol BRDL.

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DURHAM, N.C. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Home Savings and Loan Association, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HSLD), Durham, North Carolina has declared a cash dividend of $.15 per share on the Association's outstanding common stock. The dividend is payable on September 28, 1990 to stockholders of record as of September 7, 1990.

Home Savings and Loan Association, Inc. is headquartered in Durham, North Carolina, with offices in Roxboro and Chapel Hill. Its common stock is traded over-the-counter and is quoted under the symbol HSLD on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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BOCA RATON, FL (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Humagen, Inc. (NASDAQ: HUGE), has signed a letter of intent to purchase Cardio Scan, Inc. of Boca Raton, for approximately $625,000 in cash and securities. The announcement was made by Roberto Riva, president of Humagen, Inc., a company with widespread interests in the medical field.

Cardio Scan is a four-year-old, privately held company specializing in EKG and EEG Holter Monitor system tests in conjunction with physicians. The Medicare-approved company's services include detailed EKG and EEG magnetic recording and hard copy conversion, as well as analysis for abnormal phenomena.

"The Cardio Scan acquisition is an exciting entry into the rapidly growing ambulatory (portable) cardiac testing industry," said Roberto Riva, president of Humagen.

"With the implementation of an aggressive growth plan in conjunction with retained management, Cardio Scan is projecting earnings of approximately $500,000 for 1991, equal to about $0.16 per share based upon Humagen's current number of shares outstanding," Riva said.

Cardio Scan tests center around the Holter Monitor, a patient-worn apparatus, which provides 24-hour special magnetic tape recordings of up to 144,000 cardiac cycles vs. 50 to 100 for a standard EKG test.

Humagen develops and markets practical, high-tech medical diagnostic testing products. The company also has the exclusive right to franchise, own and operate Medical Depot Superstores in the U.S.S.R., Mexico and Panama and a non-exclusive right to franchise, own and operate Medical Depot Superstores anywhere else outside the United States.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - QuesTech Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: QTEC) announced that it has been awarded a contract by the Air Force for approximately $1.3 million.

QuesTech Research Division is to provide engineering support services for electronic warfare systems over a 41-month period. The work will be

predominately performed in the Dayton, Ohio area.

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#90229p6482 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAIFA, ISRAEL (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - I.I.S. Intelligent Information Systems Limited (NASDAQ: IISLF) today announced 1990 second quarter financial results.

Revenues increased 139 percent in the 1990 second quarter to $8.6 million from $3.6 million in the same period a year ago, reflecting the recent acquisition of the Lee Data Commercial and International Business. Net income for the quarter increased 44 percent to $1.4 million, or $.35 per share, compared to last year's $999,000, or $.25 per share.

For the six months, revenues grew 66 percent to $13.4 million, up from $8.1 million in the year-ago period. Net income increased 25 percent to $2.5 million vs. $2.0 million last year.

"Six-month results reflect the continued strong demand for I.I.S.'s products together with second quarter activity of the Lee Data Division," said Jacob Herbst, chairman of I.I.S. Intelligent Information Systems. "While the revenue potential of the Lee Data Division was only partially realized, a great part of the reorganization, plant moving and restructuring costs were absorbed in the second quarter."

The company's U.S. subsidiary, IIS Inc., acquired Lee Data Corporation's commercial and international IBM 3270 plug-compatible computer peripheral equipment and service business on April 2, 1990.

I.I.S. Intelligent Information Systems Limited designs, markets and services computer peripheral and communications equipment for use with medium and large IBM and IBM-compatible mainframe computer systems. The Company's U.S. subsidiary is based in Eden Prairie, Minn., and has offices in Phoenix and Los Angeles. From its U.S. office and its manufacturing base and corporate headquarters in Haifa, Israel, the company sells its equipment throughout the world.

I.I.S. INTELLIGENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS LTD.

Second quarter ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 8,661,000	$ 3,618,000
Net income	$ 1,440,000	$ 999,000
Earnings per share	$ 0.35	$ 0.25
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,061,000	4,029,000

Six months ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 13,442,000	$ 8,173,000
Net income	$ 2,515,000	$ 2,007,000
Earnings per share	$ 0.62	$ 0.50
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,061,000	4,022,000

CONTACT: George McGrath or Radika Eccles of Hill and Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for I.I.S.

-30- 2770

#90229p6489 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Witco Corporation (NYSE: WIT) will reorganize its petroleum group responsibilities, effective Sept. 1, 1990, it was announced by president and chief operating officer Denis Andreuzzi. Lawrence B. Nelson, 59, will become group vice president-corporate technology, a newly created position.

Nelson joined Witco in 1960 in a technical capacity, became corporate director of research and development, and later served the company's Sonneborn division in a number of technical and operating posts, including general manager. Most recently, he was a group vice president-petroleum.

Robert J. Seward, 58, appointed group vice president-petroleum in July 1989, will head Witco's Sonneborn group, comprised of its largest domestic operation, the Sonneborn division; Witco B.V., a Holland subsidiary; and Surpass Chemicals Limited, a subsidiary in Canada. He will remain responsible for the Concarb division. Seward joined Witco in 1976 and has strong industrial management and marketing experience.

Harvey L. Golubock, age 48, will be appointed group vice president-petroleum, responsible for Witco's Kendall/Amalie, Southwest and Golden Bear divisions. Golubock joined Witco in 1969 as a business analyst and rose through a series of corporate staff and divisional operating positions. Most recently, he was corporate vice president of supply and distribution for Witco's petroleum group.

Witco manufactures specialty chemical and petroleum products and engineered materials with annual sales of approximately $1.6 billion.

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#90229p6490 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OH (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The BFGoodrich Company's (NYSE: GR) Geon

Vinyl Division today announced a two cent per pound across-the-board increase of its resin and compound prices, effective Sept. 1, 1990.

BFG previously announced the removal of a one cent temporary voluntary allowance effective Sept. 1 which BFG applied only to its PVC resin customers.

The additional two cent per pound increase in both resin and compound is a direct result of increased crude oil prices caused by the current Middle East crisis.

"We are now paying significantly higher costs for raw materials, transportation and plant energy, and we simply cannot absorb these costs," said W.F. Patient, Geon Vinyl Division president. "Accordingly, we must pass those costs along to our customers."

Patient noted that Goodrich had held the line as long as possible on energy-related price increases. He also would not rule out future price increases. "If our energy-related costs continue to increase, we will have to pass along those increases to our customers," he added.

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#90229p6492 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CALIF. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - FHP (R) Health Care, a federally qualified health maintenance organization (HMO), has expanded its Xerox Healthlink Network to include 38 HMOs in 25 states.

The expanded network, expected to be fully operational by Jan. 1, 1991, will be offered to approximately 35,000 Xerox employees during the company's upcoming open enrollment period. Representatives from the 38 network HMOs met with FHP officials in Southern California Aug. 16, and are expected to sign appropriate contracts with Xerox and FHP within the upcoming months.

As one of six HMOs chosen as network managers last year, FHP will closely oversee network HMOs by recommending utilization and quality assurance standards, and compliance with such standards, in accordance with Xerox customer service requirements. In addition, Xerox employees in Southern California, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, and Guam will continue to receive care in FHP medical centers or individual practice associations. Xerox pays FHP a fee for administering the network.

The selection process began in January, when FHP identified 75 HMOs throughout the country as possible Healthlink affiliates. All plans had

to be federally qualified and in business for more than five years. Those passing a preliminary review were evaluated by a task force of FHP management and medical professionals.

The Healthlink system is a new concept for Xerox, which was previously dealing with 126 HMOs in 40 states and territories. According to Sharon Diehl, Manager of Benefits operations for Xerox, the Healthlink system is designed to streamline the benefits process and establish good working relationships with a few providers.

FHP, founded in 1961, provides comprehensive pre-paid health care to 550,000 members. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of FHP International Corp. (NASDAQ: FHPC), headquartered in Fountain Valley, Calif. Xerox Corp., a Fortune 100 company based in Stamford, Conn., is one of the world's leading manufacturers of business equipment.

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#90229p6493 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - HQ Office International Inc. (NASDAQ: HQOIU) announced today that Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse achieved sales of $2,125,891, for the second quarter ended July 1, 1990. George J. Handgis, president and chief executive officer stated, "We are pleased with the results of the second quarter. Our sales exceeded our original expectations by 20 percent." The company, which opened its first office products superstore on March 29 1990, reported a loss of approximately $1,930,000 for the six-month period ended July 1, 1990. Of this total, approximately $978,000 was incurred as part of the company's start-up and development. Handgis added, "This six-month loss was 5 percent greater than anticipated. The increased loss was a direct result of litigation costs associated with the HQ Network Systems litigation."

Robert J. McNulty, chairman, stated, "Great Canadian's success has been above our expectations. Annualized sales for the first location in Vancouver are 30 percent greater than anticipated and sales at the second location in Edmonton are 20 percent over original expectations. The third superstore, also located in Edmonton, opened for business on Aug. 9, 1990, and appears to have similar growth potential. Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse is well on its way to capturing a major share of the Canadian office products marketplace."

Handgis added, "The anticipated proceeds from the exercise of the company's Class A common stock purchase warrants will allow Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse to continue its expansion plans. Two additional stores will be opened in Calgary and Victoria in September and October."

Founded on a unique merchandising strategy based on direct shipment from manufacturers, rapid inventory turnover, and centralized control of purchasing, replenishment and pricing, Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse maintains deeply discounted prices and excellent service. The company plans to have eight superstores open in Canada by the end of 1990.

CONTACT: George J. Handgis, president and CEO, 604-273-3133, or Douglas MacLellan, 213-491-3500, both of HQ Office International Inc.

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#90229p6495 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CALIF. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - A.G. Automotive Warehouses Inc. (NASDAQ: AGAWA) announced today that during the second quarter ending July 1, 1990, the company's first Auto Giant warehouse, located in San Bernardino, Calif., achieved net sales of $4,279,000. The second quarter weekly sales average of $329,000 was 24 percent higher than the comparable weekly sales average of $265,000 during the first quarter of 1990. In addition, the company reported that during the five-week period beginning July 2, 1990, Auto Giant achieved a comparable weekly sales increase of 10 percent over its second quarter results.

The company reported a loss during the second quarter of approximately $2 million. The bulk of this loss was contributable primarily to development and pre-opening costs.

Robert J. McNulty, chairman, stated, "We are very pleased with the sales levels being generated at the first Auto Giant warehouse and we continue to be very optimistic about our new locations to be opened in Sacramento and Fountain Valley, Calif.; Las Vegas, Nev., and Phoenix, Ariz."

Frank Roberts, president and chief executive officer, added, "Over the last 13 weeks, we have been preparing for our expansion by hiring and training management personnel for the new locations. We have also refined our merchandise mix and advertising program, changes we believe will greatly benefit our existing and future warehouses."

Auto Giant offers a wide selection of quality, brand-name automotive products at discount prices to retail and wholesale customers. Auto Giant warehouses will average approximately 50,000 to 75,000 square feet, and will carry inventory of approximately 17,000 stock keeping units (items), including automotive accessories, batteries, maintenance and repair parts, sound systems, tires, and custom wheels. Each Auto Giant warehouse also contains a full automotive service department with certified technicians.

CONTACT: Franklin D. Roberts, president and CEO, 213-495-9644, or

Douglas MacLellan, 213-491-3500, both of A.G. Automotive Warehouses

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#90229p6498 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST AURORA, NY (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Acme Electric Corporation (NYSE: ACE) today reported record profits for its fiscal year which ended June 30 1990.

Net income for fiscal 1990 rose to $3,690,000 or 78 cents per share compared with $3,482,000 or 75 cents per share announced in 1989. In addition in 1989, the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle added $443,000 or ten cents per share, bringing net income in 1989 to $3,925,000 or 85 cents per share. Sales for fiscal 1990 declined slightly to $90,589,000 compared with $90,962,000 in 1989.

Net income for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, reached $1,115,000 or 23 cents per share on net sales of $23,811,000. This compares with net income for the same period last year of $1,242,000 or 27 cents per share on net sales of $24,104,000.

The company's board of directors, at its meeting on Aug. 16, 1990, declared a quarterly cash dividend of eight cents per share payable Sept. 17, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 29, 1990.

Acme's president, G. Wayne Hawk, attributed the earnings increase to "improved efficiencies and cost reductions in the wake of difficult market conditions for Acme products.

"Those conditions appear to be improving," Hawk noted, "evidenced by Acme Transformer division's successful new product introductions and entry into the Canadian market.

"Recent favorable sales activity in the custom-designed power supplies and aerospace power products should also continue," Hawk said. "And we are working hard to make our standby power products more competitive than they have been."

Hawk said the fact that sales over the past six months have exceeded revenues in the same period in 1989 is indication of "stronger market conditions for Acme."

Founded in 1917, Acme Electric Corporation designs and manufactures power conversion equipment for electronic and electrical systems for industrial, commercial, residential, and aerospace applications. Corporate headquarters are in East Aurora, N.Y., with operations in Cuba, N.Y.; Lumberton, N.C.; Salt Lake City and West Jordan, Utah; and Tempe, Ariz.

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#90229p6501 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Mizlou Communications Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: MZLUL MZLU) today announced that it had reached favorable settlement agreements on two litigations against the company. In Sobel v. Mizlou, the company obtained a release of all claims by the plaintiff in exchange for its agreement to pay plaintiff's counsel fees in the amount of $22,500 and its reacquisition of 53,370 shares of Mizlou common stock owned by plaintiff for $22,500, an amount significantly less than the market value of such shares when the settlement agreements was reached, In Sports News Network, Inc. V. Mizlou, the company obtained a general release of all plaintiff's claims, and an assignment of all of plaintiff's rights, if any, in the trade names "SNN" and "Sports News Network" in exchange for payment of counsel fees in the amount of $10,000 and the reassignment to plaintiff of the shares acquired from Sobel.

Vincent C. Piano, chief executive officer, stated "the settlement of these litigations vindicate the company's position that plaintiffs' cases lacked substantial merit. The settlements impose costs on the company significantly less that the estimated costs of continued litigation and remove a threat to the company's continued use of its "SNN" and "Sports News Network" trademarks.

CONTACT: Mark Wenzel, CFO of Mizlou, 212-244-3750, or Alex Ross of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Mizlou

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#90229p6502 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Mizlou Communications Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: MZLUL MZLU) announced that it has raised more than $4.1 million following the call for redemption of its Class A common stock purchase warrants; $3.98 million from the exercise of 96.5 percent of such outstanding warrants by the holders thereof and the balance from the consummation of the standby purchase arrangements with PaineWebber Incorporated and Commonwealth Associates, including the over-allotment option provided for therein. $500,000 of the proceeds of the offering were used to pay $61,000 of accrued interest and $439,000 of principal of Mizlou's $3,000,000 12 percent secured notes.

Mark Wenzel, chief financial officer, commented, "We are gratified at the strong response by Mizlou's warrant holders. Our Sports News Network, has made tremendous gains in the past six months with both cable operators

and advertisers, and we view the warrant exercise as a vote of confidence in our future."

Mizlou's Sports News Network (SNN) is the nation's first and only 24-hour, seven-day-a-week sports cable news network, On the air since Feb. 1, 1990, Mizlou has signed affiliation agreements in 15 of the top 20 major television markets, and has signed advertising agreements with 20 major sponsors.

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#90229p6505 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - JPS Textile Group, Inc. has extended to midnight, New York time, on Tuesday, Aug. 21, 1990 the expiration date, consent solicitation and withdrawal rights relating to each of the following: JPS's cash tender offer for all of its outstanding senior variable rate notes due 1996, senior subordinated discount notes due 1999 and 15-1/4 percent senior subordinated notes due 1999 at a purchase price of $750, $256.07 and $400 respectively, per $1,000 principal amount tendered; its cash tender offer for all of its outstanding shares of Series A exchangeable adjustable rate preferred stock at a purchase price of $10 per share tendered; and its offer to exchange $1,000 principal amount of its new 6 percent (Pay-in-Kind) subordinated debentures due 1999 for each $1,000 principal amount of its outstanding 14-1/4 percent subordinated debentures due 2000. Each such offer, commenced on July 20, 1990, was originally scheduled to expire at midnight, on Aug. 16, 1990.

As of the close of business on Aug. 16, 1990, approximately $1,600,000 principal amount of the senior variable rate notes were tendered for purchase and not withdrawn, and no other JPS securities had been tendered pursuant to the offers.

CONTACT: James Fingeroth or Maureen Burgess of Kekst & Co., 212-593-2655 for JPS Textile Group

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#90229p6515 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - How do you buy a tan with no cash? If you're one of more than 14 million MOST(R) cardholders, you can pay for your tan with the same card you use at MOST automated teller machines (ATMs).

Internet, Inc., together with Continental Federal Savings Bank, have established a new payment system at The Suntan Shop that allows MOST

cardholders to take advantage of MOST POS (point-of-sale), an electronic purchase system, at The Suntan Shop's Reston and Annandale, Va., locations. MOST POS provides consumers with a faster, more convenient way to pay for products and services by electronically transferring payments directly from their bank account to the merchant as an option to carrying cash or writing a check. The MOST POS electronic purchase feature serves as an add-on benefit to all existing MOST cards issued by more than 400 financial institutions that participate in MOST.

"The MOST card frees customers of carrying wallets, checkbooks and purses that are cumbersome at a tanning salon," said Karen Brutsche, owner of the The Suntan Shop. She added that MOST POS is convenient for customers because they do not have to stop for cash before coming to the shop.

The Suntan shop is the latest retail merchant to begin using MOST POS, which was introduced in 1984 at Mobil service stations and is available at more than 100 Mobile locations throughout the Washington D.C. and Baltimore metropolitan areas.

Continental Federal Savings Bank, headquartered in Fairfax, Va., operates 25 branches throughout Northern Virginia with over $1 billion in total assets.

Reston-based Internet(R) owns and operates the MOST electronic banking network, the fourth largest regional network in the U.S. Internet has 427 financial institution members representing more than 14 million cardholders and over 4,100 MOST ATM and POS devices throughout the Mid-Atlantic and Mid-South regions.

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#90229p6517 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Biotech Research Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: BTRL) today reported second quarter 1990 revenue of $3,911,662 compared to revenue for the first quarter of 1990 of $2,738,107.

For the second quarter, revenue decreased 17 percent to $3,911,662 from $4,719,199 in the same period last year; earnings fell to a net loss of $265,958, or 4 cents per common share (after deducting $745,000 in paid and accrued merger costs), compared to a gain of $655,892, or 10 cents per common share, in last year's second quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenue decreased 27 percent to $6,649,769 from $9,120,849 for the same period last year; however,

earnings fell to a net loss of $705,779, or 11 cents per common share, compared to a gain of $1,260,257, or 20 cents per common share, in last year's same period.

According to J. Bryan Dowling, vice president, finance: "The drop in product sales during the first quarter of 1990 (which was the result, as previously reported, of a shortage in a key raw material and the transitional period caused by DuPont's sale of its virology blood screening business to Ortho Diagnostic Systems Inc.) was responsible for both the overall drop in revenue and resultant net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990. As a result of the significantly revised product orders received from Ortho, the second quarter is again back on track."

Dowling stated, "We consider the results of the second quarter at least comparable to our average over the prior two years":

	1988 Qtrly Average	1989 Qtrly Average	1990 First Quarter	1990 Second Quarter
Revenue	$4,100,000	$4,275,000	$2,750,000	$3,900,000
Operating Income (Loss)	$ 350,000	$ 400,000	$(540,000)	$ 450,000
Net Income (Loss)	$ 375,000	$ 370,000	$(450,000)	$(250,000)(A)

(A) Includes $745,000 in paid and accrued merger costs. Dowling concluded, "With the improved second quarter operating income, we anticipate 1990's results will be as solid as any in the company's history."

Biotech Research Laboratories, Inc. is a leader in the development of viral diagnostic products. The company manufactures HIV and HTLV-I Western Blot Confirmatory Test Kits and jointly manufacturers the Biotech/DuPont HIV and HTLV-I ELISA Screening Test Kits.

BIOTECH RESEARCH LABORATORIES, INC.
Results of Operations
(Unaudited)

	Second Quarter Ended		Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenue	$3,911,662	$4,719,199	$6,649,769	$9,120,849
Net Income (Loss)	$(265,958)	$ 655,892	$(705,779)	$1,260,257
Net Income (Loss) per Common Share	$(.04)	$ .10	$(.11)	$ .20
Average Common Shares Outstanding	6,292,613	6,292,613	6,292,613	6,292,613

CONTACT: J. Bryan Dowling, vice president, finance, Biotech Research Laboratories, Inc., 301-251-0800

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#90229p6522 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - At their Aug. 16 meeting, the directors of Guardsman Products, Inc. (NYSE: GPI) declared the regular third-quarter cash dividend of $.125 per share, payable Sept. 25, 1990, to shareowners of record Sept. 11, 1990. This continues the company's 73rd consecutive year of cash dividends.

Guardsman Products, Inc. is a diversified producer of custom industrial coatings, consumer products and packaging services.

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#90229p6523 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTCLAIR, NJ (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Gryphon Group, a custom spot builder with a history of constructing quality homes at development home prices, has returned to its roots by establishing a remodeling subsidiary.

"We started out doing remodeling and historic restoration work five years ago," explained Gryphon Group President Jeanne F. Holloran, "so this is a natural expansion of our business."

Holloran said her approach to remodeling is much the same as it is to new home building -- "Give as much value as possible, and be sensitive to the design of the original house and the neighborhood in which it is located."

"No expansion should look like an expansion," she added. "You can't just tack on a box and expect it to serve the same purpose for which the project was initiated."

That doesn't mean the addition to an existing home would or should be an exact match to the original, but it must, Holloran noted, be complimentary.

Homeowners considering remodeling should be prepared to spend time with the builder who is doing the work. "They're not going to be satisfied in the end if they're not going to put in their own time with the builder to identify a clear concept of what they need and want in their new home," Holloran said.

Usually several drawings of the project must be made before the ultimate design is finalized, and then decisions need to be made about materials.

Holloran said she is available at any time of the day to consult with her clients during this process and throughout construction.

"It's important for me to understand the psychology behind the requests and decisions being made by my clients so that I can be sure they will be happy with the finished product," the builder stressed.

"The best part is when a client walks in at the end of the job and says, 'This is exactly what I wanted'." said Holloran.

Gryphon Group can be reached at 201-509-2586.

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#90229p6525 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Materials Corp. (CMC) (AMEX: CUO) today announced that it had engaged an industry related investment firm for the purpose of exploring the possibility of the sale by CMC of its concrete and concrete aggregates business in Colorado Springs, Colo. The subsidiaries that conduct such business represent slightly less than 20 percent of CMC's annualized volume and approximately the same percentage of its total assets. To date, no offer has been received by CMC for such business and there can be no assurance that a sale will occur.

The balance of CMC's business is concentrated in the production and sale of heating, cooling and refrigeration equipment.

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-30- 972

#90229p6526 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) announced that because of investor interest REMIC Trust 1990-106 has been increased to $1.0501 billion from $750.100 million.

The 19 classes contained in REMIC Trust 1990-106 are in the following amounts:

Class	106-A	$ 51.660 million
Class	106-B	$ 60.1475 million
Class	106-C	$ 50.4525 million
Class	106-D	$ 67.1825 million
Class	106-E	$ 54.810 million

Class	106-G	$159.6525 million
Class	106-H	$ 78.820 million
Class	106-J	$121.240 million
Class	106-K	$ .350 million
Class	106-L	$ 80.500 million
Class	106-M	$108.500 million
Class	106-N	$ 54.600 million
Class	106-FA	$ 46.4625 million
Class	106-S	$ 13.720 million
Class	106-Y	$ 35.000 million
Class	106-R	$ .090 million
Class	106-RL	$ .010 million

This is the third $1 billion REMIC issued by Fannie Mae in the last week. The other $1 billion REMICs were Trust 1990-104 and Trust 1990-108.

Fannie Mae, the USA's housing partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

CONTACT: Bonnie O'Dell of the Federal National Mortgage Association, 202-752-6527

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DALLAS (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - American Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: ARB) today announced the closing of the sale of Brentwood Nursing Homes in Dallas for $4.5 million.

The Brentwood Nursing Homes were acquired the payment of the underlying notes payable of approximately $2.1 million) in connection with the sale and will record a gain of approximately $0.7 million on the transaction.

"We are pleased to have realized a significant gain in disposing of those foreclosed properties for cash. This sale reinforces our belief that we have appropriately valued our foreclosed real estate," said a spokesperson for the trust.

American Realty Trust, Inc. is a real estate investment trust which primarily invests in mortgage loans, real estate and real estate-related entities.

CONTACT: Jeff Bishop of American Realty, 214-692-4700

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CHICAGO (AUG. 17) - United Airlines announced today it established an all-time single-day traffic record yesterday for revenue passenger miles (RPMs) flown.

United flew 286,141,208 revenue passenger miles, eclipsing the old record of 285,311,431 set a week earlier on Thursday, Aug. 9. A revenue passenger mile is one revenue-paying customer flown one mile.

"This is the fourth time this summer we have broken our own single- day traffic record," said John C. Pope, executive vice president- marketing and planning. "We are pleased with the large numbers of air travelers choosing United and with the high level of service being provided day in and day out by our employees across the country and around the world."

CONTACT: Rob Doughty, 708-952-4195, Joe Hopkins 708-952-5770, or Sara Dornacker, 708-952-6561, all of United Airlines

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JASPER, IND. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Kimball International (NASDAQ: KBALB) declared a regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on Class B common stock payable Oct. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 25, 1990.

Kimball's principal products are business and home furnishings, electronic assemblies, musical keyboard products and processed wood products.

CONTACT: Gary Beckman of Kimball International, 812-482-1600

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#90229p6533 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS, NV (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Mint Inc. (OTC) announced the signing of a major marketing and investor relations agreement with Strategic Relations Group, a division of World Perspective Communications, Inc.

In addition to the minting of commemorative coins, U.S. Mint is one of the nation's largest suppliers of gaming tokens for such clients as Bally's, Binion's and Caeser's Palace. To meet market demand, U.S. Mint recently expanded its full-service minting operations with a new 12,000-square-foot plant located in Henderson, Nevada.

"We are very pleased to bring Strategic Relations Group on board at such a dynamic time marked by strong international and product growth," said Richard Hooton, president of U.S. Mint Inc. "Our plant expansion completed we're on schedule to launch retail, catalog and mail order operations

this year. And, our international sales division is actively pursuing additional markets in Europe, Africa, South America and the Pacific Rim."

Strategic Relations Group is the investor/broker relations division of World Perspective Communications Inc., a subsidiary of Strategic Communications USA, Inc. A leader in financial and investment publishing and direct marketing, Strategic is also publisher of periodicals that include "World Market Perspective," MoneyWorld and "Market Express."

U.S. Mint Inc., the authorized mint for the state of Nevada, produces and markets commemorative medallions, coins, proof-like investment bars, silver rounds and gaming tokens. As one of the largest suppliers of gaming tokens in the U.S., and as a growing supplier of gaming tokens internationally, U.S. Mint expects to continue as the leader in this market while expanding internationally and in ancillary markets.

U.S. Mint Inc., headquartered in Las Vegas, Nevada, is a publicly held corporation whose shares of common stock are traded over-the-counter (pink sheets).

CONTACT: Jose Castaneda of Strategic Relations Group, 800-333-5697

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#90229p6534 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The First Australia Prime Income Investment Company Limited (Toronto Stock Exchange: FAP), a closed-end investment company, announced the declaration of a regular monthly dividend of Cdn. $0.11 per share, payable on Sept. 14, 1990, to all shareholders of record on Aug. 31, 1990.

At current exchange rates, this dividend would be equivalent to approximately U.S. $0.096. Shareholders with registered addresses in Canada will receive dividends in Canadian dollars unless they have elected otherwise. Shareholders receiving their dividend payments in U.S. dollars will receive the U.S. dollar equivalent based upon the exchange rates applicable on the record date.

The dividend is consistent with the policy adopted by the board of directors and confirmed by shareholders on March 2, 1989, to be effectiveo?m May 1989, of paying a monthly dividend. Any additional income or capital gains earned will be distributed following the company's year end.

The First Australia Prime Income Investment Company Limited at the time of its offering in June 1986 was the first closed-end investment company in Canada and Europe to invest in the securities of Australia and New Zealand. The company is managed by EquitiLink International Management

Limited, and is advised by EquitiLink Australia Limited, the largest independent mutual fund manager in Australia. Devoting itself solely to the business of fund management, the EquitiLink Group manages some Cdn. $2.7 billion on behalf of over 240,000 investors worldwide.

CONTACT: Brian Sherman of The First Australia Prime Income Investment, 011-612-258-8222, or Marissa Moretti or George Arvantides of Dewe Rogerson 212-688-6840, for First Australia Prime Income Investment

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#90229p6536 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) has informed employees at its Dearborn Assembly Plant that the plant will be idled the week of Aug. 20. This idling is in addition to the previously announced idling of the plant for one week beginning Aug. 13.

The week of Aug. 20 downtime is necessitated by a parts shortage. The week of Aug. 13 downtime was necessitated by a shortage of dealer orders. Dearborn employs approximately 2,100 hourly personnel and builds approximately 3,700 Ford Mustangs per week.

CONTACT: June Larsen, (313) 337-3755, or Jay Meisenhelder, (313) 390-5583, both of Ford.

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#90229p6539 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENLO PARK, CALIF. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Failure Group (TM) Inc. commences its initial public offering of approximately 2.8 million shares at $13 per share today. The offering includes approximately 1.5 million shares that will be sold by the Failure Group Inc., a Delaware corporation and approximately 1.3 million shares offered by the selling shareholders. Of the approximately 2.8 million shares, approximately 2 million shares are being offered in the United States and approximately 800,000 shares are being offered in Europe. Prudential-Bache Capital Funding, and Hambrecht & Quist Inc., are managing the underwriting. The shares will trade on NASDAQ National Marketing System under the symbol FAIL.

A portion of the net proceeds will be used to reduce existing debt. The balance will be used for general corporate purposes including implementing a new administrative software system, establishing new operating offices in the United States and the United Kingdom, and expanding computer facilities.

The Failure Group Inc., through its principal operating subsidiary Failure Analysis Associates (TM) Inc., is the leading independent consulting firm devoted primarily to the investigation, analysis, and prevention of

failures of an engineering or scientific nature. Failure Analysis Associates was founded in 1967, and currently operates nine domestic and two international offices. The company's headquarters are located in Menlo Park, Calif.

Copies of the prospectus relating to the offering may be obtained from Prudential-Bache Capital Funding, One Seaport Plaza, New York, N.Y., 10292 or Hambrecht & Quist Inc., One Bush Street, San Francisco, CA., 94104.

CONTACT: Duane W. Bell of Failure Analysis Associates, 415-326-9400

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Total Petroleum Canada Ltd. (a wholly owned subsidiary of Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd. (AMEX, Toronto, Montreal: TPN)) has purchased substantially all the assets of Amoco Canada Petroleum Company Ltd. and Amoco Canada Resources Ltd. in the Josephine area of Alberta. The $11 million (CDN) acquisition includes Amoco's 77 percent interest in the Josephine Gas Plant, along with associated reserves and gas gathering system. Three Amoco employees located at the plant have accepted employment with Total.

The purchase complements Total's activities wherein Total and various partners have drilled 13 wells in the area over the past year. Of greatest significance is a Kiskatinaw discovery, drilled by Total and its partners Murphy Oil Company Ltd. and Suncor Inc., which tested 620 thousand cubic meters per day (22 million cubic feet per day) of natural gas. It is anticipated that an additional eight wells will be drilled and construction of a new gas gathering system will be completed by year-end.

Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd. is a petroleum company with refining and marketing operations in the central United States and exploration and production in Canada. Its shares are listed on the American, Toronto, Montreal and Pacific Stock Exchanges. Total Compagnie Francaise des Petroles owns approximately 52 percent of the voting shares of Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd.

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#90229p6543 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOVELAND, COLO. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Hach Co. (NASDAQ-NMS:HACH) today announced its unaudited financial results for its first quarter ended July 28, 1990.

Net sales and net income were both first quarter record highs. Net sales for the first quarter ended July 28, 1990, were $16,700,000, a 15 percent increase over net sales of $14,469,000 for the first quarter of the prior fiscal year. Net income of $1,256,000 was 18 percent greater than net income of $1,065,000 for the comparable period in 1989. Net income per share was 26 cents for the first quarter ended July 28, 1990, versus 22 cents per share for the first quarter of the prior fiscal year.

The company also announced that its international business continues to grow more rapidly than its domestic business. Orders received during the first quarter exceeded net sales in both the domestic and international markets and the total of unshipped orders increased $900,000 from April 30 1990.

The company is reviewing the timing of the physical plant expansion plans described in its 1990 annual report and is exploring alternative means of meeting its expansion requirements for the next two years.

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Quarter ended July 28,	1990	1989
Net sales	$16,700,000	$14,469,000
Net income	1,256,000	1,065,000
Net income per share	.26	.22

CONTACT: Frank L. Zupan, vice president and treasurer of Hach, 303-669-3050, ext. 2251

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#90229p6545 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHERRY HILL, NJ (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Golden Cradle Adoption Services has announced the election of two new members to its board of trustees.

Anne Brodzinsky of South Orange, N.J., noted author and psychotherapist, comes to the board with a wealth of professional and personal adoption experience.

Brodzinsky is the author of the children's book, "The Mulberry Bird," which takes a sensitive and supportive look at adoption. She has also authored many articles that have appeared in professional journals and has presented at workshops and conferences throughout the United States. Brodzinsky, an adoptive parent, is also currently pursuing her doctorate in psychology at New York University.

Also elected to the board is Jamie Comiskey of Ardmore, Pa. She is the marketing director at Wick, Fisher and White, a mechanical and engineering

firm in Center City Philadelphia. Comiskey is an adoptee, who was adopted as an infant.

For ten years, Comiskey "searched" for answers to her biological heritage. In the recent past, along with the support of her adoptive parents, she found seven of 12 biological siblings. In 1988 and 1989, Comiskey held the position of president of the Adoption Forum, a Philadelphia area search and support group.

Marlene Piasecki, A.C.S.W., executive director of Golden Cradle Adoption Services, stated, "Both women's experiences and commitment to adoption will surely be an asset to the Golden Cradle board of trustees in ensuring optimum service to our clients and the community."

Golden Cradle, an leader in the field of adoption, is a private, non-profit, N.J. state-licensed agency that has been servicing the Delaware Valley for more than ten years.

CONTACT: MaryAnne Giello of Golden Cradle, (609) 667-2229, or at home, (215) 238-1928.

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#90229p6546 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Delphi Financial Group Inc. (NASDAQ: DLFI) today announced the withdrawal, by General Electric Capital Corp. (GECC), of their request for registration of 420,000 shares of common stock.

GECC's request for registration of additional shares was pursuant to the GECC Warrant Agreement as described in Delphi's registration statement and prospectus dated March 13, 1990.

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#90229p6548 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LINDEN, NJ (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - While he watches the oil dependent nations face the challenges of the Iraq Crisis and the steady climb in oil prices developing from it, Charles P. Covino is reminded daily of another natural resource crisis in the making - a potential shortage of scarce strategic metals.

For Covino, chairman and CEO of General Magnaplate Corporation (NASDAQ: GMCC) in Linden, N.J., the potential shortage of strategic metals could conceivably be more acute than the world petroleum situation - and equally as painful in the long run to consumers in the western economies.

"There's no question that we've been spoiled," says Covino. "We're used to going to the store and the gas station and purchasing endless quantities of anything we want." He's been speaking out on what he calls the "Supermarket Syndrome" for more than two decades.

"Many people, including policymakers, do not identify this as a problem. Because they don't, people just can't imagine the impact that will be felt in this country when the growing shortage of natural resources such as strategic metals becomes a reality."

One metal he is concerned about is chromium. "The earth has only so much chromium. And it is a vital ingredient for hardening iron and steel. Our major sources are South Africa and the Soviet Union."

Another important strategic metal is cobalt, also used in hardening steels. Major cobalt resources are in Africa, Canada and the Soviet Union. Manganese, vanadium, and many other rare earths are not found anywhere on the globe in large deposits. The U.S. itself has, for all practical purposes, none at all. A shut-off of supply of strategic metals at any one location would be potentially devastating.

Covino explains that every piece of steel with which we come into contact is made up of iron combined with rarer strategic metals such as nickel, cobalt, vanadium, and manganese. These enhance the steel's hardness and its capability of being machined and heat treated.

"Once we have a shortfall," he states, "we'll really feel the pinch. Most consumers think only of chromeplated auto bumpers or household appliances, but these largely decorative uses are really not the issue. It's absolutely vital in producing military equipment.

"And we'll feel it industrially when it comes to manufacturing operations such as aerospace, chemicals, food, pharmaceuticals, rubber and plastics, electronics, and packaging. We'll see high prices rung up on cash registers when we purchase television sets, cameras, appliances, refrigerators, cars, bicycles, fast foods, paper and plastic products, packaged goods and dozens of other key consumer goods."

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#90229p6555 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CONN. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - At a regular meeting of the board of directors of W. R. Berkley Corporation (NASDAQ: BKLY) yesterday, the board declared the regular quarterly dividend of 11 cents per share

and elected a new director to fill an existing vacancy.

The dividend is to be paid on Oct. 3, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 19, 1990.

Elected to the board was Martin Stone, 62. Stone is chairman and chief executive officer of CCX Corp., a New York Stock Exchange diversified manufacturer of building products; chairman and owner of California Business Magazine; chairman and largest stockholder of World Paper, an international publication; chairman and owner of the Phoenix Firebirds baseball team; and chairman and 50 percent owner of Adirondack Corporation a real estate development and syndication firm.

Stone has served at various times on a variety of boards of directors including United Way of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Recreation and Parks Commission and board of trustees of Loyola University. He received a B.A. from UCLA, a J.D. from Loyola University School of Law, an L.L.M. from the University of Southern California and was awarded an honorary L.L.D. from Loyola University.

Chairman William R. Berkley stated, "We are pleased to have the benefit of Martin Stone's varied business experience and judgment. He brings a new dimension and perspective to our board of directors."

W.R. Berkley Corporation is a holding company whose subsidiaries operate in three major segments of the insurance business; regional property casualty insurance; specialty lines of insurance (including excess and surplus lines, commercial transportation and reinsurance); and insurance service operations (including management of alternative insurance market mechanisms).

CONTACT: John D. Vollaro, senior vice president of W. R. Berkley Corporation, 203-629-2880

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#90229p6556 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Whitman Corp. (NYSE: WH) announced today that the board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend on its commonstock of 26.5 cents a share. The dividend is payable Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 7, 1990.

Whitman Corp. is a North American food and soft-drink company. Its major operating companies are Pet Incorporated, Pepsi-Cola General Bottlers, Hussmann Corp., and Midas International.

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#90229p6557 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Vincent J. Liuzza Jr., chairman and president of Cucos Inc. (NASDAQ: CUCO), announced that operating earnings advanced for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended July 1.

Net income for fiscal 1990 increased to $180,383, or $.09 per share, from $142,076, or $.07 per share, achieved in the comparable prior year period. Total revenues for the year increased to $13,582,689, up 8.4 percent, compared to $12,533,084 achieved in the prior year.

Revenues for the fourth quarter increased to $3,555,694, up 19.1 percent, from $2,985,051 achieved in the comparable prior year period. Net income for the quarter advanced to $15,551, or $.01 per share, compared to net income of $13,390, or $.01 per share, for the comparable prior year quarter.

"We are pleased with the continued improvement in revenues and net income. During the year company-owned restaurants opened in Pascagoula, Mississippi, and Columbus, Georgia. In addition, the Hammond, Louisiana, franchised restaurant was purchased on July 1, 1990. Five franchised restaurants also opened during fiscal 1990, while one closed and one was purchased by the company. At the end of the fiscal year, there were 11 restaurants operated by the company and 19 restaurants operated by independent franchisees," noted Liuzza.

In addition to the 20.0 percent growth in the number of restaurants achieved in fiscal 1990, the company recorded its sixth consecutive year of increased comparable sales per restaurant. Average sales per comparable restaurant increased by 3.6 percent in 1990, compared to a 3.2 percent increase achieved in 1989. "Our continuing emphasis on delivering the highest quality and freshest products to our guests resulted in Cucos' being named the 'Number One' choice in Mexican dining in the state of Louisiana by the readers of 'Louisiana Life' magazine," concluded Liuzza.

Cucos is a Sonoran-style Mexican restaurant chain which operates primarily in the southeastern United States.

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#90229p6559 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
LONG BEACH, CALIF. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc. (NASDAQ: HQOSA), one of the leading office products and equipment superstore retailing chains in the Western United States, reported today

that sales for the second quarter ending July 1, 1990 were $17,530,661. These sales results represent a 198 percent increase over sales during the same period in fiscal year 1989.

The company also reported that sales for the six month period ended July 1 1990 were $40,518,580, a 430 percent increase over sales during the same period in fiscal 1989. This increase in sales was less than anticipated due to an decrease in store inventories. Store inventories declined due to the delay of anticipated funds from the company's offering of convertible debentures. Since the completion of such offering on June 14, 1990, inventories have been replenished and the company anticipates that sales will begin to return to previous levels during the three-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990. In fact, during the past month HQ Office Supplies warehouse reported comparable store sales increases of over 20 percent.

The company reported a loss during the second quarter of approximately $3.9 million. This loss was primarily due to higher than anticipated general and administrative costs, including an aggregate $1.6 million in non-recurring costs associated with litigation proceedings and the amortization of goodwill in connection with the WORKplace acquisition. The company believes that general and administrative costs as a percentage of sales will decrease during the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Brad R. Tukey, president and chief executive officer, stated "We are pleased with the progress that HQ Office Supplies Warehouse has made in the past 18 months. In this short time, the company has evolved from a start-up concept to a 14-store specialty warehouse chain which has had significant market impact in Southern California and other western markets. We remain confident that the company will continue to grow and that we will continue to compete successfully in all of our targeted markets."

HQ Office Supplies Warehouse utilizes a merchandising strategy featuring a wide selection of quality, brand-name office products, including general office supplies, business machines, office furniture and other business-related products at discount prices primarily to small and medium-sized businesses. The stores average at least 25,000 square feet of selling space with an inventory of approximately 8,000 stock keeping units.

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#90229p6561 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Many international students in the Delaware Valley will be a little less homesick this fall, thanks to a

special offer from AT&T (NYSE: T).

On Friday, Sept. 28, international students from nine area college and university campuses will be given an opportunity to make a free call to friends or family in their home country. For many, it will be their first call home.

Called "Hello from America," the offer is part of a variety of welcoming events designed to introduce students from other countries to their new campuses and to each other. At the same time, AT&T gives them a chance to hear a voice from home, and to learn about AT&T services, such as the AT&T Reach Out(R) World plan.

International students will be invited to make their calls and enjoy a Welcome Party at International House, 3701 Chestnut St., Philadelphia. This is the fifth consecutive year that AT&T is sponsoring the "Hello from America" program.

During the activities, students will be invited to place a three-minute international demonstration call, and to register for the Campus Grand Prize drawing for an AT&T telephone and answering machine. In addition, American Airlines will award a National Grand Prize of two round-trip coach tickets to anywhere it flies (except Tokyo).

Invitations are being sent to students at the following colleges and universities: Bryn Mawr College, Drexel University, Haverford College, LaSalle University, Philadelphia College of Textile Science, St. Joseph's University, Temple University, University of Pennsylvania and Villanova University.

CONTACT: Patty Timson of AT&T, (215) 557-4321, or at home, (215) 827-9015, or Pamela Cooper of International House, (215) 387-5125, ext. 2232.

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#90229p6570 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOKLYN, MI (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Pennzoil Co. (NYSE: PZL) announces its major entry into NASCAR racing today with a multi-year agreement for exclusive sponsorship with Bahari Racing and driver Michael Waltrip. The Pennzoil-yellow car will first appear on the track at the 1991 Daytona 500.

This sponsorship - Pennzoil's initial entry as a major underwriter in the highly popular NASCAR racing circuit - covers a complete Winston Cup series and a minimum ten-race schedule on the Busch Grand National series. The car owners are Charlotte, N.C., businessmen Chuck Rider and Lowrance Harry of Bahari Racing.

"Pennzoil has been known for its winning tradition in almost every type of

auto racing over its 100 years as a company," said James L. Pate, the company's president and chief executive officer.

"Now we're expanding from CART and NHRA drag racing to NASCAR Winston Cup. We're excited about this program with Bahari racing, and I'm sure this will help us emphasize the quality performance of Pennzoil motor oil to a wider racing audience. I know our fans, distributors and customers will enjoy seeing the bright yellow Pennzoil car on the NASCAR tracks next year," he added.

Pennzoil currently sponsors three other major programs: Indy-car racing, featuring driver Rick Mears, professional drag racing with pro-stock driver Jerry Eckman, and top fuel dragster Eddie Hill.

"We're really pleased to be the first team to announce a new sponsor joining NASCAR," said Rider. "We're happy the negotiations are over already by mid-August. Now, we're free to concentrate on winning before the end of the season, so we can build momentum for next year."

The Bahari Winston Cup team will stay intact, explained Rider. Waltrip will have the support of engine builder Ken Wilson, crew chief Bill Ingle and the rest of the 23-member crew.

"With our crew and the backing from such a major sponsor as Pennzoil, we look forward to an exciting and winning season next year," Waltrip said. "We just finished fourth at Watkins Glen last weekend, so we're getting closer and closer to Victory Lane."

Waltrip added that he is also excited about running the Pennzoil yellow on the Busch Grand National circuit. The ten-race schedule will be run in conjunction with Winston Cup races. "With this tremendous multi-year commitment from Pennzoil, we hope to continue the company's winning tradition on both circuits," Rider said.

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#90229p6571 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPRING VALLEY, NY (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Par Pharmaceutical, Inc. (NYSE: PRX) today reported a net loss for its third fiscal quarter, ended June 30 1990.

Sales for the quarter were $9,693,000, a decrease of 65 percent from the sales of $27,588,000 for the quarter ended July 1, 1989. The company incurred a net loss for the quarter of $5,208,000 ($.46 per share), as compared with a net loss of $1,773,000 ($.16 per share) a year earlier.

The net loss for the current quarter is after charges to operations of $4,711,000 in connection with recalls and related matters. For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, sales were $41,948,000, down 51 percent from the sales of $85,650,000 for the six months ended July 1, 1989 and the net loss was $10,840,000 ($.97 per share), as compared with net income of $3,743,000 ($.34 per share) for the nine months ended July 1, 1989.

Results for the quarter were again severely impacted by continuing losses at Par's subsidiary, Quad Pharmaceuticals. In March and April, 1990, Quad recalled 29 of its injectable products after discovering that minor manufacturing changes were made to the products without properly adhering to FDA's regulatory requirements for making such changes. In addition, Quad placed a voluntary moratorium on shipments of all products subject to FDA-approved Abbreviated New Drug Applications ("ANDAs") (about 85 percent of Quad's product line), which will continue with respect to each product until Quad's ongoing investigation determines that the product can be manufactured in conformity with its ANDA approval. Par said that the early results of the investigation have resulted in Quad's beginning to reintroduce a small number of products, but that manufacturing difficulties at Quad would continue to adversely affect results of operations for at least the next two quarters. Also, operations for the quarter continued to be adversely affected by the after-effects of Par's August 1989 moratorium on shipments of its entire oral solid product line. At June 30, 1990, oral solid products that historically had accounted for approximately 70 percent of Par's oral solid sales had been reintroduced to market.

Par said that sales of its oral solid products increased during the current quarter by 63 percent over the previous quarter, as Par continued to reintroduce its products to market and recapture its customer base, and that it expects oral solid sales to continue to increase during the coming months. Also, Par said that it has begun to rebuild the management team at Quad and has recently retained a director of manufacturing and is in the process of retaining a vice president of operations for Quad. However, Par said that, because of the effects of both the moratorium on shipments of its injectable products and the anticipated rate of reintroduction of those products, as well as expected levels of sales for oral solid products, it expects to continue to sustain losses for at least the next two quarter, and will reports a loss for its 1990 fiscal year as a whole.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Mail Boxes Etc. (MBE) (NASDAQ: MAIL)

announced that its fourth Annual Stockholders Meeting will be held Friday, Aug. 24 at 10:30 a.m. at the La Jolla Marriott.

For the 1990 fiscal year, Mail Boxes Etc. experienced a 36 percent increase in center openings and a 44 percent increase in sales. Earnings per share based on net operating income was $.84, a 33 percent increase over the prior year.

The company fulfilled its long-term goal of 1,000 MBE centers open by the end of fiscal year 1990. MBE opened 307 new centers for a total of 1,131 in operation at April 30, 1990. MBE is the world's largest national network of private postal, business and communication centers.

MBE also continued its international expansion with the opening of MBE-Japan's first center in Osaka and MBE-Mexico's first center in Mexicali.

In July, MBE signed a letter of intent to enter into an agreement to sell to United Parcel Service (UPS) 400,000 shares of its common stock for an all-cash price of $10.1 million and for UPS to purchase 400,000 warrants over the following three years.

These warrants are priced at $1.168 million due at the close of the purchase of common stock. In the next 12 months, 133,000 warrants may be exercised at $27 per warrant; during the following 12 months, another 133,000 warrants at $32 per warrant. The final 133,000 warrants may be exercised at $38.88 in the third year.

If warrants are exercised, UPS would acquire approximately 17.4 percent equity interest in MBE. The agreement would allow UPS to increase its equity interest in MBE to 35 percent after one year.

Founded in 1980, MBE's initial public offering of stock was June 10, 1986. For the second year in a row, MBE has been rated by OTC Review among the 100 most profitable of NASDAQ's 5,000 companies. Forbes rated MBE number 42 of the "Top 200 Best Small Companies in America." Entrepreneur named MBE the tenth fastest-growing franchise in the nation.

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ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Ecolab Inc. (NYSE: ECL) declared a quarterly cash dividend of $0.165 per share on its common stock, to be paid Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 18, 1990.

The dividend declared today will mark the 54th consecutive year Ecolab has paid cash dividends.

Ecolab is a leading worldwide developer and marketer of premium cleaning, sanitizing and maintenance services for the hospitality, institutional and residential markets. For the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, Ecolab reported sales of $1.3 billion and earnings of $2.7 million, after preferred dividends, or $0.10 per share, including a one- time charge of $31.5 million, or $(1.15) per share. 1989 earnings would have been $34.2 million, or $1.25 per share, without the charge. Ecolab shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange under the symbol ECL.

CONTACT: Bruce J. Bentcover of Ecolab Inc. 612-293-2848

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#90229p6583 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Because of growth related to the booming Washington economy, U S WEST announced today it estimates the available 206 area code prefixes will be exhausted within two years.

"If growth and demand for service continues like it has for the past several years, Western Washington will run out of prefixes by 1992," said Lisa Bowersock, media relations manager for U S WEST in Washington.

According to the national numbering plan developed by the North American Numbering Plan Administration Center (NPAC) at Bell Communications Research (BellCore), approximately 640 prefixes are available for assignment in any given area code. Currently, 540 prefixes have been assigned in the 206 area code. If the projected 6-percent growth continues, and no steps are taken to address this problem, prefixes available for assignment would be exhausted by the second half of 1992.

Area codes were developed in the late 1940s to enable customers to use direct long distance dialing and to eliminate the need for every call to be placed through an operator. Three-digit area codes, with either a "0" or a "1" as the middle digit were reserved for that specific use and were not permitted for use as the first three digits of the local telephone number. With the numbers 2 through 9 available in the first position, either 0 or 1 in the second, and numbers 0 through 9 in the third, there are about 160 possible combinations reserved exclusively for area codes. Since their introduction, BellCore has assigned approximately 150 area codes nationwide.

Since the availability of unassigned area codes is also approaching exhaust, BellCore now requires the first method of providing relief to exhausted area codes to be the implementation of "interchangeable dialing."

"Rather than split Western Washington to accommodate a new area code, dialing patterns will be restructured so additional prefixes will become available for assignment in heavy growth areas," Bowersock said.

Interchangeable dialing means the 160 or so three-digit combinations previously reserved for area codes are freed up for reuse as local prefixes.

There are different options for implementing interchangeable dialing in Washington state. These include seven-digit dialing and 10-digit dialing.

- Seven-Digit dialing -- All calls made throughout Western Washington, whether they are local or long distance, would be dialed using the seven digit number only. Therefore a call from Seattle to Bellingham, which currently requires an eight digit dialing pattern (1+number), would be placed by simply dialing the seven digit number. Although only seven digits are dialed, the network still recognizes the call is long distance and bills accordingly.

- 10-Digit Dialing -- This dialing pattern maintains the dialing of a "1" for long distance, but since some current area codes will be assigned as local prefixes, all long distance calls in Western Washington would require 1 + the area code, to avoid misrouting of calls to another state. Therefore, that same call from Seattle to Bellingham would require 1+206+seven digit number.

Western Washington will be the second area in U S WEST's 14-state territory to announce the implementation of some form of interchangeable dialing. The first was the state of Arizona on July 1. Other states and major cities, such as Georgia, Washington, D.C., Maryland and Virginia have also experienced rapid growth and have adopted similar plans.

CONTACT: Lisa Bowersock of U S WEST Communications, 206-345-6885

-30- 3772

#90229p6585 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Reynolds Metals Company (NYSE: RLM) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 45 cents a share on the company's common stock, payable October 1 to stockholders of record September 7.

CONTACT: R. Terry Olbrysh of Reynolds Metals Company, 804-281-2965 or 804-282-8764, home

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#90229p6587 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WARSAW, IND. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - R. Douglas Grant, president of Lake City Bank, Warsaw, and Thomas R. Ricketts, chairman and chief executive officer of Standard Federal Bank (NYSE: SFB), Troy, Mich., announced today that Lake City and Standard Federal have executed a definitive agreement under the terms of which Standard Federal will sell its branch offices and related deposit accounts in Goshen and Nappanee, Ind., to Lake City.

The acquisition of these branch offices and deposit accounts by Lake City Bank is subject to approval by the Office of Thrift Supervision, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the Department of Financial Institutions for the State of Indiana. Application for regulatory approval is expected to be made within the next two weeks by Standard and Lake City and acted upon within 90 to 120 days thereafter.

Standard Federal Bank, headquartered in Troy, is a $9.75 billion FDIC-insured savings institution with 114 branch offices serving Michigan and Indiana. Standard Federal's concentration of branch offices is in southeastern Michigan where it has 68 offices.

Lake City Bank is a $251 million independent locally owned banking organization operating continuously since 1872 with 15 offices currently in Kosciusko and Wabash counties. The bank also recently announced plans to open offices in Akron and Columbia City, Ind.

Commenting on the agreement, Ricketts stated, "This sale is part of Standard Federal's ongoing effort to maximize profitability in its branch office network by concentrating efforts in those markets we are most familiar with. Both the Goshen and Nappanee branches were acquired as part of Standard's acquisition of Tower Federal Savings of South Bend, Ind., and are geographically distant from Standard's primary market areas. We feel our customers in Goshen and Nappanee will be well served by Lake City Bank following this sale."

Grant added, "We are extremely pleased to make this announcement and to offer our full range of financial services to these attractive and growing communities in our market area. The $1,275,000 purchase price includes the branch facilities and approximately $30 million in deposits. Lake City will not be purchasing any loans as part of this transaction except those loans related to the deposit accounts. Banking job opportunities for present Standard Federal personnel will be made available by Lake City."

CONTACT: D. Jean Northenor of Lake City Bank, 219-267-6144; or William R. Yaw Jr. of Standard Federal Bank, 313-643-9600, or in Michigan, 800-482-3930, or in Indiana, 800-874-3716

-30- 2839
#90229p6591 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Coho Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: COHO) announced today its financial and operating results for the six months ended June, 1990.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company has reported net earnings of $3.7 million compared to net earnings of $4.9 million for the same period in 1989. The earnings figures include extraordinary items of $1,453,000 in 1990 and $2,987,000 in 1989.

Cash flow from operations, before working capital adjustments, decreased from $6.1 million for the six month period in 1989 to $5.9 million for the same period in 1990. This decrease reflects the significant decrease in crude oil prices experienced during the second quarter of 1990. Net production revenue increased 14 percent to $9.1 million from $8.0 million reported for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

For the six month period ending June 30, 1990 oil production averaged 3,025 barrels per day representing a 17 percent increase over the 2,587 barrels per day average for the first six months of 1989.

Coho Resources Inc. also announced that it successfully closed its initial public offering of 3,500,000 common shares on Aug. 1, 1990. Net proceeds received from the issue in the approximate amount of $41.5 million have been used to repay bank debt.

Coho is a Dallas-based company with shares listed for trading on the NASDAQ National Market System of the over the counter market - Stock symbol COHO

COHO RESOURCES INC.
Summary of Financial Results

	Six Months Ended June 30		Three Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
	(in thousands)		(in thousands)	
Net Revenues	$9,094	$7,957	$4,286	$4,077
Cashflow from Operations	5,882	6,109	2,358	3,203
Net Earnings	3,700	4,912	1,201	2,558

CONTACT: Douglas R. Martin of Coho Resources Inc., 403-261-9800

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#90229p6594 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, AZ (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Movie Superstore Inc. (NASDAQ:

TMSI), a Phoenix-based, publicly traded chain of seven Valley video rental stores, has signed a letter of intent to purchase a 10-store chain based in El Paso, Texas.

The stores, nine of which are located in El Paso and one in Las Cruces, N.M., are owned by Roger Ellis and operated under a franchise agreement with Major Video Inc.

The offering amounts to $5.4 million in a combination of cash and stock, the portions of which will be determined within 90 days, said Patrick Clifton, chief executive officer of The Movie Superstore.

The purchase will be based on sales for the last 18 months totalling $8.25 million and a profit of $2.4 million and will include a guarantee of continued revenues at a certain level, he said.

Major Video Inc. retains the right of first refusal on the purchase, Clifton added. The Movie Superstore is traded over-the-counter on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System under the symbol TMSI.

CONTACT: Patrick Clifton, CEO of The Movie Superstore, 602-279-0275

-30- 1301

#90229p6595 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Atek Metals Center, Inc. (NASDAQ: ATKM) reported today its results for the third quarter of fiscal 1990. For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the company registered net earnings of $298,000 ($0.07 per share) compared to a loss of $680,000 (($0.19) per share) in the third quarter of fiscal 1989. Revenues increased 10.7 percent to $13,533,000 from $12,226,000 in the previous year. Average shares outstanding numbered 3,730,231 in fiscal 1990 and 3,732,231 in fiscal 1989.

For the nine months ending June 30, 1990, the company achieved an improvement of net earnings to $725,000 ($0.17 per share) from $39,000 (($0.01) per share). Revenues totaled $40,387,000 in 1990 versus $38,506,000 in 1989. The company's borrowings on its lines of credit decreased $5,000,000 since Sept. 30, 1989 due to reductions in inventory levels and improved cash flow.

In a highly competitive environment, Atek attained growth in revenues from domestic and international customers because of the maintenance needs and plant expansions in the chemical processing industry and the increasing delivery of jet engines to commercial aircraft manufacturers. The company showed higher shipments and earnings with sheet and bar products from Distribution, with hardfacing wire and welding wire from Polymet

Corporation, and with specialty coating services of CTS, Inc. XYTORR Corporation had a loss from operations.

As previously announced, the company reopened an embezzlement investigation conducted in 1989 because of claims from the Internal Revenue Service. A provision of up to $200,000 may be necessary in future periods with respect to these claims that the company may need to pay the IRS.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY
(Dollars in thousands except per share data)

	Third Quarter Ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$13,533	$12,226
Gross Profit	2,881	2,247
Operating Profit (Loss)	707	(629)
Net Earnings (Loss)	298	(680)
Earnings (Loss) Per Share	0.07	(0.19)
Average Shares Outstanding	3,730,231	3,732,231

	Nine Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$40,387	$38,506
Gross Profit	8,313	8,064
Operating Profit (Loss)	1,928	1,005
Net Earnings (loss)	725	39
Earnings (Loss) Per Share	0.17	(0.01)
Average Shares Outstanding	3,730,231	3,732,231

Atek Metals Center, Inc. provides high performance materials and manufacturing services worldwide through four related divisions:

- Distribution
- Polymet Corp. - Specialty Wire Manufacturing and Processing
- CTS, Inc. - Specialty Coating Manufacturing Services
- XYTORR Corp. -- Research and Development of Vacuum Coating Technology

Atek's primary markets include the aircraft engine segment of the aerospace industry and the petrochemical segment of the chemical process industry.

CONTACT: Barry F. Bucher, president and CEO of Atek Metals Center, 513-874-3490

-30- 3585
#90229p6597 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
FAIRFIELD, N.J. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Clinical Homecare Ltd. (NASDAQ:

CLHC) today reported revenue of $4,618,161 for the second quarter of 1990, an increase of 63 percent over the same period in the prior year. The acquisition of NMSA accounted for 42 percent of the increase. Net income for the quarter amounted to $175,577, a decrease of 42 percent under the prior year's second quarter. This decrease was attributed to increased expenses in connection with the acquisition and the company's going public.

Revenue for the six months ended June 30, 1990 amounted to $7,503,322, increasing 34 percent over the same period last year. Net income for the six months amounted to $318,397, decreasing 47 percent when compared to the same period last year.

Management said it was pleased with the results and expects the operating efficiencies adopted within the NMSA organization to be in place during the third quarter.

Clinical Homecare Ltd., based in Fairfield, N.J., is a provider of infusion therapy to patients in the home.

CLINICAL HOMECARE LTD.

Periods ended	Quarter		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$4,618,161	$2,834,522	$7,503,322	$5,617,094
Net income	$ 175,577	$ 303,063	$ 318,397	$ 605,009
Average shares outstanding	6,977,627	--	6,907,869	--
Earnings per share	$.03	--	$.05	--

CONTACT: Edgar Udine, president of Clinical Homecare, 201-227-0222

-30- 1741

#90229p6599 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Manufacturers National Corporation (OTC: MNTL) declared an increased quarterly dividend and approved a stock purchase plan today.

A dividend of $.58 per share will be paid Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record Aug. 31, 1990. This is an increase of 7.4 percent, or 4 cents over the previous $.54 per share dividend paid each quarter since Sept. 30 1989. The indicated annual rate is $2.32, up from $2.16. This is the eighth consecutive year the dividend has been increased in the third quarter.

The stock purchase plan will enable the corporation to acquire up to 200,000 shares of its stock from the open market as management deems economically prudent, including for use in acquisitions, funding employee benefit plans or other corporate purposes. This plan is an addition to

stock purchase plans announced in May 1989 and February 1990.

Manufacturers National Corporation is a bank holding company headquartered in Detroit. It operates subsidiary banks in Michigan, including its principal banking subsidiary, Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit, and in the metropolitan Chicago area through Affiliated Banc Group, Inc. The corporation also operates financial subsidiaries in Delaware, Florida, Illinois and Michigan.

CONTACT: Sharon R. McMurray of Manufacturers Bank, 313-222-4881

-30- 1558

#90229p6606 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WELLESLEY, MA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Kenneth J. Germeshausen, widely recognized scientist and inventor, and a co-founder if an international high-technology firm, EG&G, Inc. (NYSE: EGG), died at his home in Weston on Aug. 16, 1990. Mr. Germeshausen was 83.

A native of Woodland, Calif., Kenneth J. Germeshausen traveled east to attent college at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). He was graduated in 1931 with a B.S. degree in electrical engineering and joined Harold Edgerton in applying high-speed photographic and stroboscopic techniques to study and solve industrial problems.

He resided for many years with his wife Polly, in Weston, Mass. He is also survived by his daughter Nancy and her husband Richard Klavans and grandaughters Sarah and Alyssa.

Funeral services will be private. A memorial service is being planned for early September.

CONTACT: Deborah S. Lorenz of EG&G, 617-431-4306

-30- 1107

#90229p6607 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELVILLE, N.Y. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Walker Telecommunications Corporation (NASDAQ: WTEL), announced today that revenues from continuing operations for the second quarter of 1990 were $627,973 as compared with $438,208 in 1989. The net loss for the three months ended June 30, 1990, was $834,091 or $.17 per share as compared with $252,540 or $.05 per share in the 1989 period, which period included a gain from discontinued operations of $402,849 or $.08 per share.

Revenues from continuing operations for the first half of 1990 were $1,024,254 as compared with $611,593 in 1989. The net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $1,651,308 or $.34 per share as compared

with a net loss of $1,266,216 or $.25 per share in the 1989 six month period, which period included a gain from discontinued operations of $152,779 or $.03 per share.

Burt Walker, chairman, said that since the company's sale of its 49.9 percent ownership interest in WIN Communications during the first quarter of 1990 the company has been concentrating on the expansion of its new subsidiaries, Unicell America Inc. and The Public Fax Company, Inc., both of which commenced operation during December 1989.

Unicell America Inc. resells cellular telephone airtime services in the Baltimore-Washington, D.C. area under an agreement with Bell Atlantic Mobile Systems, Inc. The Public Fax Company, Inc. operates a network of public facsimile stations in the greater New York metropolitan area.

The company also engages in the development and marketing of advanced telecommunications equipment, systems and services. In addition to marketing the FaxXchange(TM), a sophisticated facsimile network switch manufactured by the 3M Company, Walker also performs consulting and sales representation services for Japanese manufactured telecommunications products.

WALKER TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Condensed Results of Operations
(Unaudited)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Continuing operations:				
Net sales	$ 581,674	$ 404,036	$ 938,669	$ 484,744
Consulting & commission income	46,299	34,172	85,585	126,849
Total revenues	627,973	438,208	1,024,254	611,593
Operating expenses:				
Cost of goods sold	462,872	266,554	723,928	320,450
Selling, general & administrative	909,819	535,450	1,702,535	1,156,715
Total	1,372,691	802,004	2,426,463	1,477,165
Operating loss	(744,718)	(363,796)	(1,402,209)	(865,572)
Other income (exps.):				
Interest income	14,743	17,317	42,797	60,762
Interest expense	(150,328)	(308,910)	(358,085)	(614,185)
Total	(880,303)	(655,389)	(1,717,497)	(1,418,995)
Minority shareholders' interest in net loss	46,212	--	66,189	--
Loss from continuing operations	(834,091)	(655,389)	(1,651,308)	(1,418,995)
Discont. operations:				
Loss from discontinued				

operations	--	(655,888)	--	(905,958)
Gain on disposal of discont. operations	--	1,058,737	--	1,058,737
Net loss	(834,091)	(252,540)	(1,651,308)	(1,266,216)
Per share data:				
Loss from cont. operations	.(17)	(.13)	(.34)	(.28)
Inc. (loss) from discont. operations	--	.08	--	.03
Net loss	(.17)	(.05)	(.34)	(.25)
Wtd. avg. no. of shares of common stock outstg.	4,972,857	5,068,039	5,068,039	5,068,039

CONTACT: Irwin Eyerman of Walker Telecommunications, 516-753-1001

-30- 4057

#90229p6609 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MADISON, WIS. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Madison Gas and Electric Company (MGE) (NASDAQ-NMS: MDSN) today increased the regular quarterly dividend to $0.65 per share on the outstanding 7,036,500 shares of the company's common stock. The dividend, equivalent to $2.60 on an annual basis, will be payable Sept. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Sept. 1, 1990.

The previous dividend of $0.64 per share has been paid quarterly since Sept. 15, 1989.

MGE is a public utility engaged in generation and transmission of electric energy and in its distribution over 250 square miles in Dane County. The company also distributes natural gas through 962 square miles in Dane, Columbia and Iowa counties.

CONTACT: G.H. Phipps of Madison Gas and Electric, 608-252-7022; or Hal Bergen or Sharon Peters of Ruder-Finn, 312/644-8600, for Madison Gas and Electric

-30- 1079

#90229p6610 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Diversified Retail Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: DRGXU) today announced the filing of a Chapter 11 proceeding under the Bankruptcy Code in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maryland, Rockville, Md., division. The filing was made on Aug. 15, 1990 and is designated Case No. 904-2763-PM.

Stanley M. Salus, bankruptcy counsel to the company, stated that

Diversified will continue to operate in its usual manner while a plan of reorganization is prepared providing for payment to its creditors.

Diversified, headquartered in Rockville, is a chain of 41 retail stores in Washington, Virginia and Maryland, including athletic footwear stores, children's shoe stores, candy stores and poster and frame stores.

Diversified is publicly traded over the counter.

CONTACT: Stanley M. Salus, esquire, of Wickwire Gavin, P.C., 703-790-8750, for Diversified Retail Group, Inc.

-30- 1089

#90229p6611 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHBROOK, IL. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc. (NYSE: IFL) announced today its board of directors has elected Dr. M. Blakeman Ingle to fill the vacancy on the company's board created by the July 6 resignation of John A. Edwardson.

Ingle, president and chief operating officer of IMCERA Group Inc., had been a member of IMC Fertilizer's original board when the company was created through a public stock offering in February, 1988, until his resignation in October, 1989.

Ingle will serve the remaining two months of Edwardson's term, and will stand for election to the IMC Fertilizer board at the company's 1990 shareholders' meeting October 18.

IMC Fertilizer is one of the world's leading producers of phosphate rock and potash, and a manufacturer of phosphate chemicals and nitrogen crop nutrients. The company also recovers uranium oxide for upgrading by electric utilities as fuel for nuclear power plants.

CONTACT: Tom Unzicker of IMC Fertilizer Group, 708-205-4839

-30- 1163

#90229p6612 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The May Department Stores Company (NYSE: MA) announced today that its board of directors authorized management to implement a common share repurchase program of up to $250 million. The company stated that it intends to make purchases from time to time through open-market transactions, depending on market conditions.

CONTACT: Jim Abrams of the May Department Stores Company, 314-342-6343

-30- 605
#90229p6614 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
DEARBORN, MI (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS) announced today that the Michigan Supreme Court has delayed the ability of CMS Energy Corporation to utilize fully its interests in the Midland Cogeneration Venture (MCV). These interests include $1.2 billion of MCV notes and approximately $315 million of MCV equity interests.

On Aug. 15, 1990, the Michigan Court of Appeals reaffirmed its earlier denial of efforts by the State Attorney General, the Michigan Public Service Commission and others which sought to restrict use of these interests. The Court of Appeals also reaffirmed the adequacy of a $450 million corporate bond pending resolution of outstanding litigation related to the transfers of MCV assets and to whether Consumers Power Company, CMS Energy's utility subsidiary, complied with the 1985 Financial Stabilization Order of the Michigan Public Service Commission. The merits of this litigation remains pending before both the Ingham County Circuit Court and the Court of Appeals.

In today's action, the Michigan Supreme Court agreed to consider the need to review the actions of the Court of Appeals. Until further order of the Supreme Court, it has instructed CMS Energy to take no further steps to expend, assign, encumber or dispose of the proceeds of the MCV related assets.

CMS Energy Corporation is a $3 billion sales diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services. CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth- largest combination utility.

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, 517-788-2396

-30- 2044
#90229p6620 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - T&N plc and J.P. Industries, Inc. (NYSE: JPI) announced that it is their understanding that the Federal Trade Commission has accepted a consent order agreed to by T&N plc that represents a negotiated resolution of the antitrust objections raised by the FTC staff in connection with T&N Automotive Components Inc.'s ongoing $17.30 per share tender offer for all outstanding shares of common stock of J.P. Industries, and that T&N Automotive Components has extended the expiration date for the tender offer to 6 p.m., New York City time, on Monday, Aug. 20, 1990.

The tender offer is the first step in the companies' previously announced agreement to effect a merger of T&N Automotive Components, a wholly-owned subsidiary of T&N plc, into J.P. Industries.

As a consequence of the extension of the expiration date, holders of J.P. Industries common stock are entitled to tender or withdraw their shares pursuant to the tender offer until 6 p.m., New York City time, on Monday, Aug. 20, 1990. Prior to the extension announced today, the tender offer had been scheduled to expire at 11:59 p.m., New York City time, on Aug. 17, 1990.

Subject to the remaining conditions of the tender offer, T&N Automotive Components intends to accept tendered shares for payment following the currently scheduled expiration date if more than 90 percent of the outstanding shares are then tendered and not withdrawn.

If fewer shares are then tendered and not withdrawn, T&N Automotive Components expects to extend the expiration date to attempt to attain the 90 percent level in order to permit a "short-form" merger of T&N Automotive Components and J.P. Industries.

Based on the latest count of tendered shares, including shares tendered pursuant to guarantees of delivery, 7,554,561 shares of J.P. Industries common stock have been validly tendered and not withdrawn pursuant to the tender offer, representing approximately 70 percent of the currently outstanding shares.

Under the terms of the consent order, T&N will divest certain tooling and/or specifications for thinwall engine bearings for U.S. gasoline and diesel engines, together with certain related sales and distribution functions. T&N also will divest certain tooling and specifications for tri-metal heavywall engine bearings, used primarily in locomotive and stationary engines.

The consent order also provides that T&N will supply the purchaser of each set of assets with strip, slab or rough castings necessary to fabricate the relevant engine bearings for a limited period, plus technical assistance to enable such purchaser to make commercially saleable engine bearings using the assets it acquires.

CONTACT: James J. Fahrner of J.P. Industries, (313) 663-6749, or Mark Harnett of Dewe Rogerson, (212) 688-6840 for T&N Plc.

-30- 3047

#90229p6621 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the following member of The Vanguard Group of Investment Companies has

declared the following distribution:

WELLINGTON FUND -- a quarterly distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.20 per share, payable on Sept. 4, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 28.

CONTACT: John S. Woerth of The Vanguard Group of Investment Companies, 215-648-6984

-30- 605

#90229p6622 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOLLAND, MICH. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Donnelly Corporation (AMEX: DON) announced today that its board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 7 cents per share on its Class A common stock. The dividend will be paid on Oct. 1, 1990, to holders of record at the close of business on Sept. 17, 1990.

Donnelly Corporation is an international company dedicated to serving customers around the world with high-quality fabricated, molded and coated glass products for the transportation and electronics markets. The company has been based in Holland since 1905 and today operates from 12 separate facilities in western Michigan.

In addition, Donnelly has a major manufacturing facility in Naas, Ireland; a marketing liaison office in Tokyo and Detroit; an Advanced Technology Center in Tucson, Ariz.; and a manufacturing facility (in conjunction with Asahi Glass of Japan) in Mount Pleasant, Tenn. Donnelly is also recognized as a leader in the application of participative management practices.

CONTACT: Maryam Komejan of Donnelly Corporation, 616-394-2437

-30- 1242

#90229p6625 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - International Multifoods Corporation (NYSE: IMC) today announced a regular quarterly dividend of 29-1/2 cents per common share payable Oct. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 28, 1990.

A regular quarterly dividend was also declared on each series of the company's preferred stock, with the same record and payment dates as the common stock dividend. Multifoods has paid dividends on its common stock each year since 1923.

Minneapolis-based International Multifoods, with fiscal 1990 worldwide net sales of $2.1 billion, is a diversified food company with major operations in the United States, Canada and Venezuela.

CONTACT: Linda K. Berg (Media), 612-340-3755, or Yolanda Scharton (Investors), 612-340-3621, both of International Multifoods

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#90229p6627 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - BFS Bankorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: BFSI), the parent holding company for Bankers Federal Savings FSB, today announced that it has received regulatory approval to repurchase up to 5 percent of its common stock outstanding at July 31, 1990, or up to 69,423 shares, over a six month period commencing Aug. 31, 1990, and ending Feb. 28, 1991. The repurchases may be made from time to time, subject to approval by the board of directors, in open market transactions using funds already at the holding company. As of July 31, 1990, the company had repurchased 59,940 shares of its common stock pursuant to a previously approved and announced repurchase program.

The company also announced that Fredric H. Gould, Gould Investors and BRT Realty Trust have received regulatory approval to acquire up to 24.9 percent of the company's common stock. As previously announced, the company had agreed to support the application made by the Gould Group to acquire such shares and to appoint Fredric Gould to the board of directors.

The Gould Group had agreed to support the company's nominees to the board and to refrain from taking certain other action in connection with the common stock, for a period of three years. The regulatory approval received by the Gould Group is also subject to certain conditions, including that the Gould Group will not seek or accept more than one seat on the company's board of directors and will not exercise or attempt to exercise a controlling influence over the operations of the company or Bankers Federal.

Subsequent to receiving regulatory approval, the Gould Group has purchased 160,973 additional shares of the company's common stock, including 71,973 shares purchased from the First Capital Group pursuant to a previously disclosed arrangement. As of Aug. 16, 1990, the Gould Group owns a total of 302,473 shares of the company's common stock, or 21.8 percent of the shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Kate Michalowski of BFS Bankorp, 212-473-4870

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SPRINGFIELD, IL. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Firstbank of Illinois Co. (NASDAQ: FBIC) declared the regular quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share, the company said. The dividend is payable

Oct. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 14, 1990.

Firstbank of Illinois Co. is one of the largest bank holding companies in downstate Illinois providing banking, trust and other financial services through its subsidiary banks in central, south and southwest Illinois. The subsidiary banks, which include The First National Bank of Springfield; Elliott State Bank (Jacksonville); First Trust and Savings Bank of Taylorville; City Bank of Bloomington-Normal; and the United Illinois Banks of Benton, Collinsville, and New Athens, operate 22 banking offices in 11 counties.

CONTACT: Chris R. Zettek, vice president and CFO of Firstbank of Illinois 217-753-7543; or Jack Queeney, 312-266-7800, or Nancy Eichorn, 212-661-8030, both of Financial Relations Board, for Firstbank of Illinois

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#90229p6634 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Shopping Network, Inc. (NYSE: HSN) today announced that its board of directors had approved an HSN Stock Repurchase Plan wherein the management of HSN has the discretionary authority based on market conditions to purchase potentially up to $10,000,000 of HSN common stock.

Roy M. Speer, chairman and chief executive officer, said that "These repurchases will be made from time to time as market conditions dictate. As fiscal 1990 comes to a close," Speer continued, "HSN is unquestionably the leading electronic retailer and we feel the repurchases of our own stock at current market levels is warranted since HSN reported both record sales and earnings for the nine months ended May 31, 1990."

CONTACT: Home Shopping Network, Inc., corporate communications, 800-284-0469

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#90229p6637 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURNABY, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Loewen Group Inc. (Toronto: LWN; NASDAQ: LWNGF) announced today that during the first six months of 1990 revenue and earnings showed continued growth compared with the six months ended June 30, 1989. Revenue increased 65.7 percent to $54.21 million and earnings increased 70.6 percent to $5.66 million. Earnings per share increased 22.0 percent to 50 cents per share, while fully diluted earnings per share for the six month period increased 36.1 percent to 49 cents per share after allowing for the conversion of preferred shares and the exercise of outstanding employee stock options.

During the three months ended June 30, 1990, in comparison to the same

period in 1989, revenue increased 71.4 percent to $27.86 million and earnings increased 59.3 percent to $2.70 million. Earnings per share increased 9.5 percent to 23 cents per share. Fully diluted earnings per share for the second quarter increased 27.8 percent to 23 cents per share.

During the second quarter, in addition to the purchase of 17 funeral home locations and four cemeteries mentioned in the first quarter report, the company also expended $8.38 million on the acquisition of nine funeral home locations and one ambulance service in the states of Alabama, Indiana Minnesota, North Carolina, Washington, and in the province of British Columbia.

Subsequent to the end of the second quarter, the company expended $26.13 million on the purchase of 15 funeral home locations and four cemeteries in the states of California, Minnesota, Mississippi, Oregon and Washington.

The company has also committed $101.39 million to the purchase of 12 funeral home locations and one cemetery, in the states of Alabama, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Mexico and Oklahoma, and 56 funeral home locations associated with the purchase of Paragon Family Services, Inc., which operates throughout the south-central United States. These are expected to close by mid-November, 1990.

On June 26, the Company issued 2.7 million common shares at a price of $23.875 per share. The net proceeds of the issue, which amounted to $61.9 million, will be used to finance the company's ongoing acquisition program.

CONTACT: Robert Lundgren of the Loewen Group Inc., 604-299-9321.

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NEWARK, N.J. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Visual Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: VISC) announced today preliminary financial results for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990 and for its first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

VISUAL INDUSTRIES, INC.

Twelve Months ended March 31:	1990	1989
Revenue	$27,682,904	$27,469,512
Net loss before taxes	(1,272,032)	(1,630,927)
Provision (refund) for taxes	51,439	1,900
Net loss	(1,323,471)	(1,632,827)
Net loss per share	$(.38)	$(.47)
Three Months ended June 30:		
Revenues	$ 6,595,175	$ 7,112,861
Net loss before taxes	(57,771)	(65,509)
Provision for taxes	--	10,000
Net loss	(57,771)	(75,509)

Net loss per share	$(.02)	$(.02)

The number of common shares outstanding throughout the reporting periods remained 3,484,687.

Visual Industries, Inc. and its subsidiaries manufacture specialized equipment and furniture for the professional engineering, drafting and art fields, as well as the leisure art field; steel office furniture; and high density storage and retrieval systems for the industrial, institutional, financial, governmental, hospital, pharmaceutical and health-care fields.

CONTACT: John A. Freeland or Jules Brenin of Visual Industries, 201-242-6600

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#90229p6642 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - William B. Dockser, the chairman of CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc. (CRIIMI MAE) (NYSE: CMM), said today that CRIIMI MAE continues to move forward with its plan to acquire control of four insured mortgage funds sponsored by Integrated Resources.

The statement came today after Integrated Resources said that it terminated a previously announced sale to the Krupp Cos. LP of its subsidiaries which serve as general partners of four American Insured Mortgage Investors Series of Limited Partnerships (AIM funds).

"We continue to work with the Securities and Exchange Commission to finalize the acquisition plan we filed in June," said Dockser. "After the SEC declares our registration statement effective, we intend to take our exchange offer directly to the people who invested their money in the AIM funds.

"From the start, our intent has been to give the AIM investors a voice in who manages their investment."

Earlier this week, CRIMMI MAE filed suits in California and Delaware courts to compel the AIM general partners to provide to CRIIMI MAE the AIM investor lists. A trial date of Sept. 5, 1990, has been set in the Delaware Chancery Court, however, no trial date has yet been set in the California Superior Court.

"After we have SEC clearance and the investor lists, we will be ready to mail the details of our exchange offer to the investors," Dockser said.

CONTACT: James T. Pastore, vice president - corporate communications, CRIMMI MAE, 301-231-0323

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#90229p6643 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Bond Brewing Holdings Limited (BBH) today announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Dimola Pty. Ltd. (Dimola), has extended its offer to purchase all outstanding 12-5/8 percent extendable subordinated debentures of BBH until 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Friday, Aug. 24, 1990. Debentures tendered pursuant to the offer may be withdrawn at any time prior to acceptance for purchase pursuant to the offer. The depositary has advised BBH and Dimola that, as of 12:00 noon, New York City time, on Friday, Aug. 17, 1990, approximately 2 percent of the outstanding principal amount of debentures had been tendered to the depositary pursuant to the tender offer.

BBH has disclosed that Bell Resources Ltd. (BRL), an Australian corporation which is the potential purchaser of the vast majority of the capital stock of BBH pursuant to a contract entered into on May 29, 1989, between BRL and Bond Corporation Holdings Limited, the owner of 100 percent of the capital stock of BBH, has entered into a joint venture agreement with Lion Nathan Limited (LN), a New Zealand brewer, to own and operate BBH following its acquisition by BRL. Such joint venture agreement is subject to a number of conditions precedent, including the provision by LN and BRL of financing for Dimola's tender offer. No formal offer of such financing has yet been made to Dimola. Accordingly, there is no assurance that Dimola will be able to obtain financing for the tender offer.

CONTACT: James Rawlings, 212-223-4202, for Bond Brewing Holdings

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#90229p6646 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - LJ Hooker Corp. announced today that it has received Bankruptcy Court approval to close its three retail stores in its Forest Fair Mall located near Cincinnati. To be closed are the B. Altman & Co. department store and the Bonwit Teller and Sakowitz specialty stores.

The stores will close later today, remain closed Saturday for inventory, sale preparations and employee sales, and will reopen Sunday, Aug. 19 for the start of going-out-of-business sales.

All merchandise will initially be discounted by at least 20 percent. The stores will be open during regular mall hours which are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Hooker sought approval to close the stores at a hearing today before Judge

Tina L. Brozman of the Southern District U.S. Bankruptcy Court here. In August 1989, the company filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the federal Bankruptcy Code. LJ Hooker is owned by Hooker Corp. of Australia which is currently being liquidated.

The three stores had each been part of retail chains owned by Hooker. Earlier this year the company sold or closed all other stores in those chains. Six of the seven B. Altman stores were closed in January and five of the six Sakowitz stores were closed in July.

In April Hooker sold the Bonwit Teller name and two of the chain's stores to The Pyramid Companies of Syracuse, New York. It retained the two Bonwit Teller stores that were located in Hooker malls. Earlier this month it closed the Bonwit Teller in its Richland Fashion Mall in Columbia S.C. The remaining 12 Bonwit Teller stores were liquidated and closed in June.

Also granted at today's hearing was Hooker's request to employ New York-based BCS Inc. to conduct the going-out-of-business sales at the three stores. BCS is comprised of Alco Capital Corp., Sam Nassi Co. Inc., and Schottenstein Stores Corp.

CONTACT: David McAdam or Rivian Bell of Sitrick and Company, 213-208-1108 for LJ Hooker Corp.

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#90229p6647 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Guilford Mills, Inc. (NYSE: GFD) announced today that Harvey Gelman has accepted a position as special assistant to coordinate the marketing, merchandising and manufacturing of the company's Super Wide Width Circular Knitting business, reporting to Alfred Greenblatt, president of Guilford's Fashion Apparel business unit. This is a new position in the company.

Harvey Gelman is well known in the knitting industry having spent 25 years in various executive posts in the industry. Gelman most recently served as president of Apparel Fabrics for West Point Pepperel, a post he held for 2 years after being president of West Point's Alamac circular knit fabric division for 10 years prior. Also, he has the distinction of serving three non-consecutive terms as president of the Knitted Textile Association.

In making the appointment, Greenblatt, president of Guilford's Fashion Apparel Fabric business unit, stated: "Harvey Gelman's deep experience and knowledge of the textile business, and the circular knitting industry in particular, makes him ideal to advise our company on making our Super Wide Width Circular Knit business unit successful. With his help we will

be able to move forward even more rapidly to realize the enormous potential of this revolutionary fabric concept."

Gelman will be located in Guilford's New York headquarters for its Fashion Apparel Fabric business unit.

CONTACT: David C. Kapp of Guilford Mills, 919-292-7550

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#90229p6648 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Giant Industries Inc. (NYSE: GI) declared a quarterly dividend of $.075 per share on the common stock of the corporation. The dividend is payable to shareholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 31, 1990. The dividend will be paid on Oct. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: Gary L. Nielsen of Giant Industries Inc., 602-585-8782

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#90229p6651 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST ORANGE, N.J. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Micro Healthsystems, Inc. (NASDAQ: MCHS), a manufacturer of bedside nursing patients care systems and healthcare financial management systems, "is benefiting from several trends and should achieve fiscal year operating results that are high than the previous year," S.M. Caravetta, chairman, told shareholders attending the annual meeting held here today. For the year ended March 31, 1990 earnings rose 147 percent to $911,000, or $.49 per share, from $369,000 or $.21 per share, and sales increased 40 percent to $7,449,000 from $5,321,000.

"The trend witnessed in the first quarter ended June 30, in which Micro Healthsystems reported a 106 percent rise in income to $452,000 or $.22 per share from $219,000 or $.12 per share, is encouraging," Caravetta said. "For the first time, a substantial number of America's hospitals last year made a budget commitment to equipment which can enhance the productivity of nurses. Our bedside patient care system saves each nurse an average of 1/2 to 1-1/2 hours per day in preparing and maintaining patients charts, time generally spent on overtime pay. As a result, these systems pay for themselves in less than three years. Priced only at $2,300 to $2,800 per bed, these units are affordable budget items in most hospitals.

"With MedTake(R) present at over 4,000 beds in 30 healthcare sites, MedTake(R) has an estimated 70 percent of the installed base of this new patient beside technology, and expects to maintain its dominant position. Our recent agreement as a "Business Partner" with IBM permits our

software to be used on the IBM Clinical Workstation thus allowing the migration of our software into higher priced hardware, and should further solidify our leadership in this important marketplace," Caravetta said.

"New software products are now under development which should find acceptance in other hospital functions," Caravetta added. With virtually no debt, some $2,500,000 in cash, substantial bank credit lines and strong cash flow, we have the financial and marketing resources to contribute to and benefit from the unique opportunities we see in the hospital environment," Caravetta concluded.

Shareholders attending the annual meeting, or voting by proxy, elected four directors for the term of one year. They are: S.M. Caravetta, chairman of the board and chief executive officer; James A. Pesce, president; Douglas Hass, senior vice president; Stephen J. Feinberg, a partner of Feinberg Felzen & Nigro, counsel to Micro Healthsystems.

The company's healthcare financial management products include an inpatient management system; an integrated hospital financial system; a home care management system; a physician's billing and management system for hospital-based and private physician group practices; and a facilities management program for out-patient billing and accounts receivable to hospitals, utilizing micro healthsystems' own staff.

CONTACT: S.M. Caravetta, chairman, or Walter Cruickshank, treasurer, both of Micro Healthsystems, 201-731-9252

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#90229p6656 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, OR. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - NIKE (NASDAQ: NIKE) Chairman Philip H. Knight and NIKE President Richard K. Donahue today released a letter to employees that reviews NIKE's affirmative action plans for the next 24 months.

"Since January of this year, 21 percent of the new employees hired at NIKE have been minorities," said Knight. "That should show you how serious our commitment is to affirmative action. Watch us. We can get even better."

The statement Knight released was a letter sent to every NIKE employee reporting on the progress of the last four years and setting goals for the next two. Included in those goals are the naming of a minority to the board of directors within 12 months and to the vice-presidential ranks within 24 months. NIKE is also forming an outside minority advisory board to monitor their progress. Only the outside board is new, Knight said. "If any of you were interested in our policies or plans a month ago, we would have given you the same list of goals. Now all of a sudden you are interested."

Donahue reviewed the company's philanthropic programs. "Seventy-five percent of our $10 million philanthropic budget is directed to minority programs and many of those would be excellent models for other corporations," said Donahue. Among NIKE's biggest commitments is $1 million in JUST DO IT GRANTS to teachers who develop programs to combat the drop-out rate in inner city schools.

Donahue also reminded the audience that NIKE has a $5 million ad campaign running that features Bo Jackson, David Robinson and John Thompson urging kids to stay in school and stay off drugs. By Thanksgiving, a fourth ad featuring Michael Jordan and Spike Lee will be added to the Stay In School series.

"No other company in America is using their own money to buy network airtime to deliver messages of this kind to kids," Donahue said. "If people want to see how seriously we take our corporate responsibility, they should simply take a good look at what we do. Our actions speak for themselves."

Donahue also listed the evidence of a Reebock connection. "PUSH denies any connection to our largest competitor, yet we have now seen several press reports linking the two organizations," said Donahue. "Sporting Goods Intelligence" said there had been a series of breakfast meetings and "USA Today" confirmed those meetings with Jesse Jackson and the latest issue of "Jet" lists the companies that PUSH supposedly sent the questionnaire to and Reebock is conspicuously absent from the list."

CONTACT: Liz Dolan of NIKE Inc., 503-644-9000

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#90229p6659 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Pleasant Hawaiian Holidays today announced a correction to information included in a press release on its Value Pak program it issued Aug. 9.

Admission to the Polynesian Cultural Center includes buffet dinner and the Polynesian Show. This Value Pak inclusion does not offer the Ali'i Luau at the Polynesian Cultural Center, as previously reported.

The Value Pak is available on all new Pleasant Holidays for inclusive travel Sept. 1 through Dec. 12, 1990. The added-value program includes popular tours and events on Oahu, Maui, Kauai, and Hawaii, offering savings of up to $322.99 for four-island travel programs. The Value Pak is free; one admission ticket for each activity for each room booked.

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#90229p6661 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST BRUNSWICK, N.J. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Specialty Retail Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: SRSI), announced its second quarter results today reporting second quarter 1990 sales of $8,477,000 compared with second quarter 1989 sales of $7,841,000, an increase of 8.1 percent. First half 1990 sales totaled $17,400,000 compared with $16,095,000 in the first half of 1989, also an increase of 8.1 percent.

Net income in the second quarter of 1990 totaled $19,000, compared with a net loss of $119,000 in the second quarter of 1989. The second quarter of 1989 includes a $189,000 charge to settle an ex-officer's contract. Net income for the first half of 1990 totaled $101,000 or $.02 a share, compared with a net loss of $18,000, or $.01 a share, in the first half of 1989.

Murray Steinfink, CEO, stated, "The company's second quarter 1990 net income from the core business was $125,000 compared to $70,000 for the second quarter of 1989, after exclusion of the one-time charge for the settlement of the ex-officer's contract. However, the 1990 second quarter income was offset by $106,000 in new business start-up costs. We expect the new ventures, Salon Technology, Inc., a professional beauty salon manufacturer, and Salon Mart, Inc., an upscale professional distribution store, to be profitable by year's end."

Specialty Retail Services, Inc., is a marketer of a broad range of professional beauty products, including hair care, nail care, cosmetics, skin care and other beauty accessories to salons, independent and chain drug stores, supermarkets, mass merchandisers, warehouse clubs and other retail distributors. The company believes it is one of the largest independent distributors of professional hair care products to retail in the 13 mid-Atlantic or Northeastern states.

SPECIALTY RETAIL SERVICES, INC., AND SUBSIDIARIES
Selected Quarterly Data (Unaudited)

Periods ended	Second Quarter		Six Months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales, net	$8,477,000	$7,841,000	$17,400,000	$16,095,000
Income before extraord. item	13,000	(80,000)	69,000	(11,000)
Extraord. item (A)	6,000	(39,000)	32,000	(7,000)
Income	19,000	(119,000)	101,000	(18,000)
Per Share Data:				
Income before extraord. item	--	$(0.02)	$0.01	$(0.01)

Extraord. item (A)	--	(0.01)	0.01	--
Income	--	(0.03)	0.02	(0.01)
Avg. wtd. no. of common shares out.	5,512,500	3,884,591	5,512,500	3,888,888

(A) -- Extraordinary item represents a tax benefit as a result of utilization of the company's operating loss carryforward.

CONTACT: Murray Steinfink, CEO of Specialty Retail Services, 201-390-1199

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#90229p6663 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - As any pilot will tell you, the best landing is the uneventful landing. And so it was on a warm August morning when a twin-jet airliner sailed smoothly out of the skies and touched down routinely on runway 30 at Long Beach Municipal Airport.

But this was more than an uneventful landing. This ended the final flight of one of the busiest test aircraft in aviation history. The airplane was the first MD-80 - commonly known as Ship 909 - the prototype for McDonnell Douglas' popular family of short-to-medium-range jetliners still in production ten years after their introduction in 1980.

The final flight of Ship 909 was less than 250 miles and lasted just 50 minutes. It flew from the airport at Mojave, Calif., near Edwards Air Force Base, to Long Beach, closing out a flight test career that covered 2,094 flights and 3,064 hours and included virtually everything from high sink rate landings and stalls to trials of advanced engines, cruise performance, avionics development, and customer demonstrations.

When it taxied to a position on the flight ramp at the Douglas Aircraft Co. plant in Long Beach, the aircraft was back where its flight test career began nearly 11 years ago.

Pilot Bill Jones, first officer Gary "Bear" Smith and flight test engineer Bob Tecau flew the plane from Mojave to Long Beach on its last flight on Aug. 8. When the storied plane rolled to a stop on the company's busy flight ramp, the crew was joined by H.H. "Knick" Knickerbocker, John Lane, and Virginia Clare, the crew on Ship 909's first flight on Oct. 18, 1979.

Naturally, talk got around to the final flight and the last landing of the aircraft. Bill Jones, who was at the controls for the landing at Long Beach Airport, said, as if the plane knew that it was to be permanently grounded, "It was a floater, it didn't want to come down."

First officer Smith said that on takeoff the plane "accelerated like a rifle shot, and when we were airborne it had the same feel as in the early

days. Nothing had changed."

Ship 909 has spent its entire life as a test aircraft, a workhorse that supported aircraft production, development of product improvements, and evaluation of customer-unique configurations for the MD-80 family.

The prototype MD-80 was the 909th aircraft to come off the McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) DC-9/MD-80 twin-jet assembly line. Shortly after its first flight in October 1979, it became a permanent flight test aircraft.

CONTACT: John Thom of Douglas Aircraft Company, (213) 593-9223.

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#90229p6664 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOMALL, PA. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Scangraphics Inc. (NASDAQ: SCNG) today reported, as anticipated, lower operating results for the second quarter and first half of 1990.

For the quarter ended June 30, the company had a net loss of $194,577 or $.08 per share on net sales of $461,799 compared with net income of $117,971 or $.10 per share on net sales of $857,677 for the same period a year earlier.

The net loss for the first six months of the current year amounted to $552,233 or $.23 per share on net sales of $959,575 vs. net income of $32,709 or $.03 per share on net sales of $1,578,623 for the comparable period of the prior year.

"These results are in line with our expectations during the transitional year as we pursue a new corporate strategy," said Andrew E. Trolio, chairman and chief executive officer of Scangraphics.

"The temporary sales decline reflects our redirected marketing approach away from limited custom sales toward potentially higher volume sales via alliances with major corporations and value added resellers, such as our recent agreements with IBM and Auto-trol," he added.

"We are convinced the new strategy is working, and believe the company will show substantial growth in the fourth quarter, as indicated by our current $1.25 million backlog achieved over the past two months and expected to increase further next year."

Scangraphics Inc. is a major supplier of document and aperture card scanners and software to value added resellers and systems integrators in the image management industry.

SCANGRAPHICS INC.

Statement of Operations (Unaudited)

Three months ended June 30	1990	1989 (restated)
Sales	$461,799	$857,677
Total expenses	284,433	266,438
Income (loss) before other income (expense)	(234,027)	151,297
Total other income (expense)	39,450	(33,326)
Net income (loss)	(194,577)	117,971
Earnings (loss) per share	($.08)	$.10

Six months ended June 30	1990	1989 (restated)
Sales	$959,575	$1,578,623
Total expenses	662,707	496,997
Income (loss) before other income (expense)	(553,994)	87,657
Total other income (expense)	1,761	(54,948)
Net income (loss)	(552,233)	32,709
Earnings (loss) per share	($.23)	$.03

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#90229p6665 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

EXTON, PA. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Chemical Leaman Corp. (NASDAQ: CLEA), whose subsidiaries include Chemical Leaman Tank Lines Inc. and NuBulk Services Inc., today reported second quarter earnings of $67,418 or 8 cents per share, down from $889,711 or 93 cents per share in the 1989 period.

Revenues also declined for the period from $60,899,865 in 1989 to $58,210,474 in 1990.

For the six-month period, net earnings were $250,814 or 28 cents per share compared with $1,065,102 or $1.11 in 1989. Revenues recorded in 1990 were $118,618,225 compared with $117,740,885 in 1989.

President David R. Hamilton stated that the results reflect a softness in demand for transportation services in the chemical process industries, and also some unusual personnel expenses related to continued corporate restructuring. Without these unusual expenses earnings would have been at levels comparable to 1989.

Chemical Leaman Corp. is the nation's largest bulk commodity distribution company that provides transportation of liquid, dry and gaseous bulk commodities; tank container hauling and maintenance; cleaning services for

industrial transportation equipment and technical assistance in handling commodities in bulk. Its services are available in 49 states, Canada and Mexico.

CHEMICAL LEAMAN CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Comparative Financial Report

Three months ended	July 1, 1990	July 2, 1989
Operating revenue	$58,210,474	$60,899,865
Net earnings	67,418	889,711
Net earnings per share	$.08	$.93
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	895,665	958,074
Six months ended	July 1, 1990	July 2, 1989
Operating revenue	$118,618,225	$117,740,885
Net earnings	250,814	1,065,102
Net earnings per share	$.28	$1.11
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	895,813	960,120

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#90229p6670 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Chairman Lee A. Iacocca recognized 107 employees today for helping Chrysler establish a leadership position in automotive safety.

The "air bag team" consisted of representatives from Engineering, Manufacturing and Assembly, Procurement and Supply, and Service. They played an important role in making air bags standard on all U.S.- produced Chrysler cars.

"We've gotten a lot of mail on air bags," Iacocca said, as he held up a file folder containing more than 70 letters. "They're writing to thank Chrysler for saving their lives. They should be thanking you.

"We pumped $200 million into the air bag program and it's been well worth it."

Chrysler cars equipped with air bags have been driven 6.5 billion miles since April 1988, when Chrysler first offered supplemental, driver-side air bags as standard equipment. They've been deployed approximately 6,000 times since, Iacocca said.

"I can remember when being the industry leader in safety didn't mean much " Iacocca said. "Safety was a tough sell. It's not that customers were

against it; they just didn't think about it or ... want to pay for it."

According to Iacocca, Chrysler showed some guts and it's paying off. People are becoming believers in safety and it's not just limited to air bags.

"Seven out of 10 people say they want an air bag," Iacocca said, "but would you believe, eight out of 10 say they've got to have anti- lock brakes."

For 1991, anti-lock brakes are offered as standard or an option on 75 percent of Chrysler's lineup, Iacocca said.

"People don't buy air bags, of course," Iacocca added. "They buy cars. So first they look at value and quality and reliability -- and then they consider safety."

Despite lingering apprehension about the technology, Iacocca said in three years most people will insist on air bags.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - A Delaware Valley firm, Kane Unitrade, announced today that it has just been granted official recognition as an agricultural Joint Venture No. 2034 by the Ministry of Finance of the USSR.

This kind of registration, which allows Kane Unitrade to deal in both dollars and rubles, both in the USSR and internationally, is often claimed by Western firms but rarely achieved. It took Kane Unitrade more than two years to establish bona fides in the city of Odessa to reach this goal.

Kane Unitrade's joint venture, InterFarm, is itself unusual. It is the first of its kind in the Ukraine in which Western technology and dollars are involved in improvement in agriculture in the neediest section of the eastern European economy.

Also unusual is the fact that the Soviet partner in the joint venture is the Ukrainian Young Communist League (Komsomol), until recently one of the most rigid and doctrinaire powers in the USSR. Komsomol's involvement with Western capitalists is another measure of the depth of change in the Soviet social and economic order.

InterFarm owns 10,000 acres just north of Odessa which has been free of chemicals of any kind for eight years. It is one of the few completely

organic farms in the Soviet Union. Kane Unitrade partners Reese Palley and Ed Kane said they were originally attracted to this property because of the opportunity to make an ecological statement in the USSR.

InterFarm has a hidden asset. It lies over hundreds of kilometers of manmade, limestone catacombs, which are ideal for the growth of high-quality mushrooms but which have never been used for this purpose. Mushroom's will be InterFarm's first dollar crop. The second will be organically grown tomatoes.

Israeli mushroom experts were brought to the USSR to make the original estimations. The involvement of Israelis, a delicate political matter, represents another first for the region.

When canning facilities are installed, the production of mushrooms alone will create a net profit to InterFarm of $1 million a year. Kane Unitrade is also building steel schooners in Nikolaev and is operating a yacht marina, the first in the Black Sea, in Constanta, Romania.

CONTACT: Reese Palley of Kane Unitrade, (215) 751-9153.

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#90229p6675 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTCLAIR, N.J. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Montclair Bancorp, Inc. (OTC: MSBI), parent company of Montclair Savings Bank, today reported net income of $621,000, or $0.26 a share, for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, compared with $961,000, or $0.39 a share for the same period a year ago. Net income for the nine months ended July 31, 1990, was $2,122,000, or $0.86 a share, compared with $3,304,000, or $1.34 a share for the comparable 1989 period.

Net interest income was $4,308,000 for the three-month period and $12,716,000 for the nine-month period ended July 31, 1990, compared with $3,877,000 and $12,014,000, respectively, for the comparable 1989 periods. The provision for loan losses for the quarter was $600,000, up from $150,000 a year ago. The provision for the nine months ended July 31, 1990, was $1,500,000, up from $396,000 for the same 1989 period. Future provisions will continue to be based upon review of the bank's loan portfolio and conditions in the real estate market at the time.

At July 31, 1990, non-accruing loans and accruing loans 90 days or more delinquent were $8,974,000 and $3,338,000, respectively, compared with $7,106,000 and $3,870,000, respectively, at April 30, 1990, the end of the company's last fiscal quarter. Other real estate owned amounted to $263,000 at July 31, 1990. There was no other real estate owned at prior-period dates.

Total assets, total deposits and total loans at July 31, 1990, were $578,452,000, $509,643,000 and $477,528,000, respectively, compared with $556,490,000, $481,669,000 and $452,527,000 at Oct. 31, 1989, the company's last fiscal year-end. At July 31, 1990, the allowance for loan losses, after loan charge-offs of $296,000 during the year, was $2,336,000 compared with $1,132,000 at Oct. 31, 1989. Book value per share was $26.41 at July 31, 1990, compared with $25.88 per share at Oct. 31, 1989. The company's ratio of stockholders equity-to-assets was 11.4 percent at July 31, 1990, and 11.7 percent at Oct. 31, 1989.

Pursuant to the stock repurchase program approved by the board of directors in March 1990, to repurchase up to 123,600 shares of company stock, or 5 percent of the shares outstanding at the time, the company purchased 44,264 shares during the quarter and 60,064 shares since the beginning of the program.

On Aug. 14, 1990, the board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of $0.15 a share payable Oct. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record Sept. 1, 1990.

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-30- 2760

#90229p6679 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CALIF. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Newport Corp. (NASDAQ: NEWP) today announced an extension of the stock repurchase program initiated in 1987.

President Tom Galantowicz said, "Newport's board of directors authorized the purchase, over a period of time, in the open market of up to an additional one million shares of its outstanding common stock.

Galantowicz noted, "We have repurchased 774,000 shares of the one million share repurchase authorization approved by the board of directors at its January 1990 meeting. This authorization remains in effect for the remaining 226,000 shares. The new authorization represents 14 percent of our current outstanding stock (7,205,000 shares) and has a current market value of about $9 million.

"At current prices," Galantowicz concluded, "We believe the buybank of our stock is an attractive opportunity for the company, a good investment of corporate funds and in the best interests of our stockholder family."

Newport Corp. is the leading worldwide manufacturer and marketer of precision laboratory equipment for scientists and engineers who develop and apply technology involving lasers and optics. Customers include Fortune 500 corporations, national research laboratories, government and

educational institutions.

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-30- 1524

#90229p6680 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Harlacher & Associates, Inc., a seven-year-old Tampa advertising agency, announced Wednesday a net profit for the second quarter ended June 30 of $12,257.

Revenues year-to-date have totaled $216,000 in gross sales, compared to the same period a year ago of $146,000.

CONTACT: Robert Harlacher of Harlacher & Associates, Inc., 813-289-4894.

-30- 558

#90229p6688 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Xerox Corporation (NYSE: XRX) announced today that Rank Xerox Limited, which disinvested in South Africa in 1987 when its subsidiary there was sold to a South African company, has exercised its right to terminate its distribution agreement with the buyer effective July 1991.

The former Rank Xerox subsidiary was bought three years ago by a company which subsequently renamed the operation Xeratech Limited. The agreement permitted either company to terminate the distribution arrangement with a one-year notice.

Xerox Corporation, with headquarters here, has had no direct ties with South Africa.

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#90229p6689 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBANY, N.Y. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Coradian Corporation (NASDAQ: CDIN) Chairman of the Board Joseph L. Bruno today announced the results of the second quarter of 1990.

Gross revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1990, decreased approximately $1,526,000 or 19.3 percent as compared with the corresponding 1989 period. The decrease was due to the decreases in installation and service revenues of $1,473,000 or 24.3 percent and $53,000 or 2.8 percent respectively, as compared with the corresponding

1989 period. Gross revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990, decreased $1,641,000 or 11.4 percent as compared with the corresponding 1989 period. The decrease was due to a decrease in installation revenue of $1,701,000 or 15.6 percent, offset by an increase in service revenue of $60,000 or 1.7 percent.

Net loss for the three months ended June 30, 1990, was $576,000 compared to net income of $35,000 for the corresponding 1989 period. The $611,000 decrease was primarily attributable to a decrease in income from operations of $594,000, the decrease in net other income of $31,000, offset by the decrease in interest expense of $14,000. The decrease in income from operations was primarily attributable to a decrease in gross revenues of $1,526,000, the increase in general and administrative expenses of $231,000, offset by the decrease in cost of revenues of $894,000, and the decrease in selling expenses of $269,000.

Net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $822,000 compared to a net loss of $946,000 for the corresponding 1989 period. The decrease in net loss of $124,000 was primarily attributable to the decrease in the loss from operations of $125,000, the decrease in interest expense of $28,000, offset by the decrease in net other income of $29,000. The decrease in the loss from operations was primarily attributable to decreases in costs of revenues, selling expenses and general administrative expenses of $1,073,000, $681,000 and $12,000 respectively, offset by the decrease in gross revenue of $1,641,000.

Primary loss per share for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990, were $.04 and $.05, respectively.

Primary loss per common share for the three months ended June 30, 1990, and for the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, is computed by dividing net loss by the weighted average number of common stock outstanding. Common stock equivalents were not used in the calculation as the effects on per-share data would be anti-dilutive. Fully diluted loss per share for these periods is not presented as the effects on per-share data of other potentially dilutive securities would be anti-dilutive.

Primary earnings per common share for the three months ended June 30, 1989 are computed by dividing net earnings by the weighted average number of common and convertible preferred stock outstanding, plus common share equivalents resulting from dilutive stock options and warrants. Fully diluted earnings per share for the three months ended June 30, 1989, are not presented as the effects on per-share data of other potentially dilutive securities would be anti-dilutive.

Coradian is a major dealer of Fujitsu and Mitel digital PBX systems and also sells, installs, and engineers a full line of key systems, voice

processors, call account systems, microwave, T1, and high- performance cabling which services customers from 10 to 10,000 lines. The company has 16 offices located throughout the East and Midwest.

CONTACT: Edward Osta, George Benson or Joseph Bruno of Coradian Corporation, 518-783-7070

-30- 3815

#90229p6692 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OHIO (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Roadway Express, Inc. announced today that the sharp and sustained rise in fuel prices has made it necessary for the motor carrier to enact a fuel surcharge. The surcharge will be one-and-two-tenths (1.2) percent and, subject to Interstate Commerce Commission approval, will become effective on Aug. 22, 1990.

Michael W. Wickham, president of Roadway Express, emphasized, "This surcharge is related solely to the recovery of our increased fuel costs. We attempted to wait-out the events in the Persian Gulf in hopes of avoiding this action. The rise in fuel costs has negatively affected our operating margins and makes it necessary for us to seek this relief."

Wickham further stated that Roadway Express "will monitor the fuel price situation continuously and adjust this surcharge appropriately."

Roadway Express, based in Akron, Ohio, is one of the nation's largest motor carriers serving more than 58,000 communities in all fifty states, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico and Guam.

CONTACT: D.A. Wilson, 216-384-8184

-30- 1218

#90229p6695 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Mack Trucks Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MACK) announced today that its management has revised the forecast for 1990 and is now projecting sales of approximately $1.5 billion in contrast to its previous projection of approximately $1.675 billion.

Correspondingly, net losses are projected to approximate $180 million compared to the prior projection of approximately $130 million for the year ending Dec. 31, 1990. Mack attributed the lower sales and net income to a deteriorating overall truck market and continued uncertainty regarding the U.S. economy for the remainder of this year. The prior forecast anticipated a stronger second half marketplace based on pre-buying related to increased 1991 vehicle prices associated with more stringent 1991 emission standards. There is no evidence pre-buying is taking place.

Recent world events have cast further uncertainty over the truck marketplace. Should these market conditions persist into 1991 they will combine with the higher priced 1991 vehicles to have a negative impact on the sales and income of the company in 1991.

In its quarterly report to the Securities and Exchange Commission filed on Aug. 14, 1990, Mack reported losses of approximately $97 million for the six months ending June 30, 1990.

CONTACT: James A. Santanasto of Mack Trucks, 215-439-3591

-30- 1544

#90229p6699 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The company announced that it has reached agreement in principal to convert $3,500,000 of its 7-1/2 percent convertible subordinated notes due 2001 to shares of common stock at 58.33 cents per share. Negotiations are continuing with holders of the remaining $4,500,000 of the notes for conversion on similar terms.

CONTACT: Michael J. Jacobson of Blue Dolphin Energy Co., 713-621-3993

-30- 592

#90229p6702 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHREVESPORT, LA. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - TGX Corporation (NASDAQ: XTGXQ) today reported its financial and operating results for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990.

TGX CORPORATION
Comparative Financial Summary (Unaudited)
(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three months ended June 30,		Six months ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$14,445	$36,560	$39,896	$77,165
Depletion, depreciation and amortization	2,193	2,231	4,251	4,791
Loss before income taxes and minority interest	(3,473)	(2,177)	(3,746)	(4,975)
Minority interest in earnings of consolidated subsidiary	---	---	(2,807)	---
Income tax expense	---	---	---	20
Net loss	(3,473)	(2,177)	(6,553)	(4,995)
Preferred stock dividends	---	67	---	135
Net loss applicable to common stock	(3,473)	(2,244)	(6,553)	(5,130)

Per common share	$ (0.14)	$ (0.09)	$ (0.26)	$ (0.20)
Average common shares outstanding	25,314	25,374	25,314	25,489
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	1,427	181	5,411	(371)

---- On Feb. 22, 1990, TGX filed a voluntary petition in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Louisiana, Shreveport Division, for reorganization pursuant to Chapter 11, Title 11 of the United States Code. The court has ordered that TGX, as debtor-in-possession, continue in possession of its estate and the operation of its business and management of its property until further order of the court.

TGX is a balanced energy company engaged in natural gas marketing and transmission and the production of oil and natural gas reserves. TGX's common stock is listed with NASDAQ under the symbol XTGXQ.

CONTACT: George R. McKellar of TGX Corporation, 318-221-0707

-30- 2356

#90229p6713 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MI. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Knape & Vogt Manufacturing Co.'s (OTC: KNAP) board of directors today declared a 10-percent stock dividend and cash dividends of 14 cents per share of common stock and 12-1/2 cents a share on Class B common stock. The cash dividends will be paid on the newly issued shares, representing a 10-percent increase in the indicated quarterly payout rate.

All dividends are payable on Sept. 7, 1990, to stockholders of record Aug. 24, 1990.

Knape & Vogt manufactures wall-attached shelving, a wide variety of home-furnishing items, and also derives about one-third of its sales from drawer slides for kitchen and utility cabinet manufacturers.

CONTACT: Robert Bowman of Knape & Vogt Manufacturing Co., 616-459-3311; or Jack Queeney, 312-266-7800, or Kathleen Phelan, 212-661-8030, both of the Financial Relations Board for Knape & Vogt Manufacturing Co.

-30- 1080

#90229p6714 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Effective today, common stock shares of Louisville Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: LOU) were exchanged for an equal number of common shares of the new holding company, LG&E Energy Corp.

The exchange follows the approvals by required state and federal regulatory agencies, as well as overwhelming approval by the company's shareholders in June. Shareholders of common stock are not required to present their certificates for exchange.

"This new business structure will enable the company to continue to pursue its primary objective of serving its gas and electric customers with the highest quality of energy services, while providing the flexibility needed to respond to emerging competition and changes in industry regulation," said Roger W. Hale, chairman of LG&E Energy Corp.

However, Hale said, any ventures that LG&E Energy Corp. undertakes will be closely related, and take advantage of, the expertise developed in the core businesses of providing gas and electric services.

Hale also said, "The company will continue its priorities of maintaining its financial strength and its commitment to the environment. Our environmental efforts, including our pioneering efforts in the use of scrubbers, have been recognized many times."

As of today, Lousiville Gas and Electric Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of LG&E Energy Corp. The Board of Directors of Louisville Gas and Electric Company will serve as the Board of Directors of LG&E Energy Corp.

Shareholders of LG&E Energy Corp. will bear the start-up and operational costs of any subsidiaries. In return for assuming the financial risks of such ventures, shareholders will benefit from any profits the subsidiaries make.

At the same time, the holding-company structure insulates the utility's ratepayers from any risks associated with unregulated businesses. The gas and electric rates of Louisville Gas and Electric company will still be regulated by the Public Service Commission of Kentucky.

Louisville Gas and Electric Company preferred stock and debt instruments will not be assumed by LG&E Energy Corp., but will remain the obligations of Louisville Gas and Electric Company.

On August 20, LG&E Energy Corp.'s ticker symbol on the New York Stock Exchange and the Midwest Stock Exchange will be LGE. After August 20, the newspaper stock exchange listings will list the Company as LGE Energy or LGE En.

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#90229p6716 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Comstock Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: CMRE) today reported a net loss of $914,019 for the second quarter ended June 30 1990, as compared to net income of $411,891 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1989. The net loss included an extraordinary loss of $734,969, which resulted from the company paying off all of its bank debt three years prior to the maturity date.

Net loss for the second quarter was 5 cents per share before the extraordinary loss and 24 cents per share after the extraordinary loss, compared to net income for the second quarter ended June 30, 1989, of 18 cents per share. Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $98,069 (3 cents per share), before the extraordinary loss.

After the extraordinary loss, the net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $636,960 (20 cents per share), compared to net income of $730,715 (32 cents per share), for the six months ended June 30, 1989. Revenues for the second quarter of 1990 were $1,062,588 as compared to $2,210,521 for the second quarter of 1989.

M. Jay Allison, president and chief executive officer stated, "The reported loss for the second quarter and the decline in revenues was anticipated due to the significant charge to earnings resulting from early repayment of all the company's bank debt, as well as the projected decline in production from the company's Bryan Woodbine property."

Comstock also reported that total shareholders' equity had increased from $17.7 million at Dec. 31, 1989, to $35.6 million at June 30, 1990, primarily as a result of the closing of a public offering. The proceeds from the offering were used to retire all of the company's bank debt, with the remaining funds utilized to fund the company's drilling and completion program on the Bivins Ranch Lease.

Comstock Resources Inc. owns and manages income producing assets in oil, casinghead and natural gas, precious metals and real estate, with subsidiary operations since 1865.

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#90229p6733 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, NC (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - A hearing in the deceptive trade practice lawsuit against Exxon Corp. (NYSE: XON), originally scheduled for August 20, has been continued until September 10.

N.C. Attorney General Lacy H. Thornburg, who brought the lawsuit against the oil giant last week, said Exxon had agreed to remain under the injunction ordering it to honor posted prices and to stop imposing retroactive price increases on its distributors in North Carolina.

Thornburg said Exxon's claims that the retroactive pricing was the result of computer error and limited to North and South Carolina appear to be false. "We are preparing to show that what Exxon called computer error was in fact intentional," Thornburg said. "And while Exxon said the error was limited to North and South Carolina, we are preparing to prove that the retroactive price increases were in fact broader, perhaps even nationwide."

Thornburg said he had had calls from numerous other states which were interested in North Carolina's pending lawsuit against Exxon. Thornburg will meet Monday (August 20) in Washington D.C. with attorneys general from some 35 other states and with anti-trust attorneys from the U.S. Department of Justice.

"We will be sharing strategies for addressing oil and gasoline price hikes " Thornburg said, "and the Exxon case will certainly be on the agenda."

CONTACT: John Simmons of the N.C. Department of Justice, (919) 733-3377.

-30- 1643

#90229p6735 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TX (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Communications Transmission Inc. (CTI) (NASDAQ: CTIA) announced today that the net loss for its second quarter of 1990 (ended June 30, 1990) was $16.4 million or $1.65 per common share on revenues of $95.2 million. On May 24, 1990, CTI elected to change its fiscal year to a calendar year in order to coincide with that of its majority owned subsidiary, ALC Communications Corp. (ALC). The net loss compares to a prior year net loss of $7.8 million ($0.81 per common share) on revenues of $101.3 million.

The total net loss for the first six months of 1990 was $25.1 million or $2.56 per common share on revenues of $193.2 million compared to a net loss of $9.1 million or $1.01 per common share on revenues of $206.4 million for the first six months of 1989. The loss was magnified by certain one-time expenses associated with the CTI and ALC financial restructuring which was successfully completed in June of this year.

As part of a successful financial restructuring, CTI received additional preferred stock of ALC which raises CTI's ownership of ALC to approximately 64 percent on an as-converted and fully diluted basis of ALC in exchange for certain transmission contract concessions and modifications of the $20 million bridge loan. However, for financial reporting purposes, CTI's consolidated net loss for both periods includes

100 percent of the net loss reported by ALC.

In conjunction with its financial restructuring, CTI has completed an operational reorganization which has lowered its operating costs. The company expects that its restructuring will position it to effectively compete in the highly competitive telecommunications market. CTI's two unconsolidated 50 percent owned fiber optic networks are each experiencing a positive trend in both revenues and operating cash flow.

CTI is a leading supplier of communications transmission capacity over its dual route coast-to-coast digital network. Capacity is leased to corporate customers, independent telephone companies and common carriers in the long distance voice and data transmission marketplace.

CONTACT: Jon Durbin of Communications Transmission Inc., 512-328-1112

-30- 2365

#90229p6737 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO, (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Cineplex Odeon Corp. today announced that because negotiations are continuing regarding the sale of 38 theaters in the states of Utah, Idaho, Minnesota, Oregon and Washington by its wholly owned subsidiary, Plitt Theatres Inc., the closing date has been extended.

CONTACT: Jo Mira Clodman of Cineplex Odeon Corp., 416-323-6600

-30- 528

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#90229p6743 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas will participate in the 1990 Farnborough International Air Show with two aircraft in the daily flying display -- a Canadian Forces CF-18 Hornet and a MD 530N helicopter equipped with a NOTAR no tail rotor system -- and two more in the static display -- an AH-64A Apache helicopter and another CF-18.

McDonnell Douglas executives will conduct a series of press conferences and briefings in press facilities adjoining the companyUs chalet (No. B53). In addition, the company has scheduled two press conferences at the SBAC press center. The chalet and the McDonnell Douglas press center will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

The following press conferences have been scheduled during the show to discuss developments in major programs. Additional press briefings may be announced at a later date.

MONDAY, SEPT. 3 10:00 a.m.

McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Company MDC Press Chalet Company overview and briefing. 11:00 a.m. MD-11 SBAC Press Center Briefing on performance, progress and new developments in commercial tri-jet program. Noon F-15 MDC Press Chalet Program briefing and update. TUESDAY, SEPT. 4 10:00 a.m. F-18 MDC Press Chalet Program briefing and update. 11:00 a.m. Twin-jets SBAC Press Center Briefing and update on MD-90/MD-80 families. Noon VITAL MDC Press Chalet Briefing and update. WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 5 10:00 a.m. NOTAR MDC Press Chalet Briefing on new No Tail Rotor helicopters. 11:00 a.m.

CONTACT: Andrew B. Wilson of McDonnell Douglas Corp., 314-233-1038.

-30- 1839

#90229p6752 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PACOIMA, CA (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Jim Moodhe, former vice president of sales, was appointed the newly created position of vice president international sales and marketing for K-SWISS (NASDAQ: KSWS).

The new position was created to respond to the demand of growth opportunity for K-SWISS worldwide. Moodhe will assume all international responsibilities.

Currently K-SWISS has a joint venture in Japan, a wholly owned subsidiary in Canada with distributions in Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore, Australia, New Zealand, the Philippines as well as Central and South America. Discussions are taking place for joint ventures in Western Europe with C & J Clark Ltd. of England, Eastern Europe and the Middle East. Additional distributors are also being sought.

Moodhe's past experience establishing distributorship best qualified for him for this position. Therefore, effective immediately, he leaves the post as vice president of sales to support K-SWISS' international efforts.

CONTACT: Jennifer Baier of K-SWISS Inc., 818-897-3433

-30- 1226

#90229p6755 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Applied Data Technology Inc. (ADTI), a small business, has been awarded a $1.8 million contract by the United States Air Force to design and fabricate a Display and Debriefing Subsystem (DDS) for Langley Air Force Base, Hampton, Va. In addition, this contract will require ADTI to deliver and install this equipment in existing Air Combat Maneuvering Instrumentation (ACMI) facilities located on the base.

The Langley AFB DDS will be used to monitor and control ACMI activities on the Navy's Tactical Air Combat Training System (TACTS) located at Naval Air Station, Oceana, Va. This system will allow the Air Force to provide aircrew debriefing of its air combat training missions. Work on this project will begin immediately with initial operational capability (IOC) scheduled for mid-fiscal year 1991.

TACTS/ACMI ranges, made famous by the movie "Top Gun," are designed to provide realistic training for tactical aircrews using actual air-to- air and air-to-ground combat tactics through electronically simulated weapons firings. Training missions can be monitored on the ground in real-time through computer-generated graphics and replayed for aircrew debrief and mission analysis.

The Langley DDS contract, awarded by the U.S. Air Force, was the result of a competitive procurement. "It is significant in that this contract

further establishes ADTI as a principal TACTS/ACMI systems equipment supplier," according to Jim Flora, ADTI president.

ADTI is currently teamed with Kollsman for the production of two ACMI ranges located near Elmendorf AFB, Alaska, and at Volk Field Air National Guard Base near Madison, Wis.

The team of ADTI and Kollsman has also recently been awarded a multi-million dollar contract to deliver a Bomber Airborne Instrumentation System (BAIS) to the Strategic Air Command (SAC). The BAIS will be carried internally on B-1B and B-52 bomber aircraft permitting these aircrews to conduct training for the first time on existing ACMI ranges.

Established in 1988, ADTI has captured an impressive group of senior systems and design engineers dedicated to range systems programs. In addition, the company is involved in the research and development of advanced electronic, training and avionics systems for commercial, aerospace and defense applications.

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#90229p6758 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Jiffy Lube International Inc. (NASDAQ: JLUB) today announced financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

As a result of the change in the basis of accounting which occurred following Pennzoil Co.'s Jan. 8, 1990, acquisition of over 80 percent of Jiffy Lube's outstanding stock, financial statements for the pre-acquisition period are not comparable to those of the post-acquisition period.

Post Acquisition Period For the three-month period ended June 30, 1990, the company had a net loss of $3.7 million, or 4 cents per share. Total revenues were $23.7 million for the three-month period.

Pre-Acquisition Period The company incurred a net loss of $5.3 million or 35 cents a share for the three months ended June 30, 1989. Total revenues for the 1989 three-month period were $19.7 million.

Jiffy Lube International Inc. is the world's largest operator and franchisor of automotive quick oil change and fluid maintenance centers.

CONTACT: Carolyn S. Foster of Jiffy Lube International Inc., 13-546-8535

-30- 1250
#90229p6759 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Ironstone Group Inc. (NASDAQ: IRON) today announced that its subsidiary, Iron-Oak Supply Corp., had entered into agreements with its senior and subordinated lenders extending the maturities of its revolving credit facility to Jan. 15, 1991, and of its subordinated debt to Jan. 16, 1991. The extension is subject to compliance by Iron-Oak with certain financial and other covenants during the extension period.

Donald B. Bibeault, chairman and chief executive officer of Ironstone, said of the extension: "These agreements will provide the new management team with the time necessary to implement our action plan. Our strategic plan is to protect and enhance our 45 winning branches, turn the marginal branches around, and shut down the losing operations in an economic manner. Iron-Oak Supply's profitable branches are well located in strong geographic areas of the United States including the Pacific Northwest, California, and the improving Houston market. Our Tyler-Dawson division will be downsized to focus on supplying the energy-related industry which is in a modest cyclical upturn. American National Petroleum is well positioned to benefit from the improved outlook for energy prices in general and natural gas in particular."

Ironstone Group Inc., through its majority-owned subsidiaries, Iron- Oak Supply Corp. and American National Petroleum Co. (NASDAQ: ANPC), is engaged in wholesale distribution of plumbing and mechanical supplies and equipment, and in oil and gas exploration and production and energy related services. Its common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol IRON.

CONTACT: Donald B. Bibeault of Ironstone Group Inc., 415-576-3341

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#90229p6767 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO, (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $1.25 per barrel was effective today, Aug. 17, at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$26.00 for West Texas Intermediate $24.00 for West Texas Sour
$26.00 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore)

New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E41. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases

as market conditions change.

CONTACTS: Sherri Zippay, 415-894-4581; or Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440, both of Chevron

-30- 932

#90229p6769 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, Calif. (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Comparator Systems Corp. (NASDAQ: IDIDD) has been notified by an overseas representative that the corporation has been selected as a contractor to supply the biometric identification systems for a new national identity card program being implemented in an unspecified foreign country.

Comparator's Executive Vice President, Scott Hitt, declined to identify the government responsible for the contract, at the present time. "At the request of the security forces of the client country we may not divulge the name or location of the country in question," said Hitt. "I can say our shipments will begin before the end of this year, the estimated value of the contract is 20 million dollars, and the system will start operations early in 1991."

This contract will clearly establish Comparator Systems Corp. as the leader in the Biometric Identification Industry.

Rogers and Hitt are currently in Europe and are expected to make further announcements upon their return.

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-30- 1263

#90229p6775 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO, (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Denison Mines Limited (Toronto, Montreal: DEN) said today that an $80,000,000 write-down of its oil interests in Italy, lower oil and gas production and prices, weak potash prices and a $4,200,000 pre-tax provision for the cost of downsizing the company's Elliot Lake uranium operations resulted in a net loss of $97,084,000 for the second quarter of 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $7,967,000 for the three months ended June 30, 1989, and brought the loss for the first six months of 1990 to $101,855,000, compared with earnings of $9,344.000 for the corresponding 1989 period.

After provision for preferred share dividends, the results per participating share were losses of $1.58 for the second quarter of 1990 and $1.73 for the first half of the year, compared wIth earnings of $0.01

and a loss of $0.10, respectively, for 1989.

Helen Roman-Barber, Denison's chairman and chief executive officer said that ''since the write-down oil prices have risen dramatically and the value of the company's oil and gas interests as a whole have increased significantly.''

She said that ''the write-down of the Italian oil operation resulted from a ceiling test that determined cost recovery on the basis of the price of oil on June 30, 1990.''

''This test, which is mandated by the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants, does not provide an estimate of the fair economic value of the Italian properties. Since June 30, the price we are receiving from oil produced in Italy has more than doubled.''

Roman-Barber said that most of the second quarter's oil and gas production decline occured in Greece, because of a backlog of workovers.

''With the completion of workovers and with the growing output from our Egyptian oil operations, a portion of the reduced production volume will be recovered during the second half of 1990,'' she said.

''These improvements, combined with substantially higher oil prices, are expected to have a positive effect on third-quarter earnings.''

Meanwhile, Denison also announced that it will not declare the Sept. 15, 1990 dividends on the company's preferred shares Series A and B.

''This extremely difficult decision was made necessary by the decline in operating profit in the second quarter and the resulting decrease in cash generated from operations. The board of directors will review the situation on a quarterly basis,'' Roman-Barber said.

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-30- 2720

#90229p6778 08/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (AUG. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Today at 8:42 p.m. (EDT) McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co. launched its fifth commercial Delta expendable launch vehicle.

The payload, a BSB-R2 communications satellite for British Satellite Broadcasting Ltd., joins BSB-R1 which was launched in 1989 to provide the United Kingdom with more than twice its previous television broadcast capability.

"We're delighted with another successful launch," said Ellis Griffiths, director of engineering operations for British Satellite Broadcasting Ltd. "Of course with the Delta and Hughes record it's what we expected."

The rocket launched is one of McDonnell Douglas' Delta II series and is capable of lifting 4,000 pounds to geosynchronous transfer orbit. Delta IIs are built by McDonnell Douglas in Huntington Beach, Calif., with final assembly at its Pueblo, Colo., facility.

The launch of BSB-R2 marks the 198th launch of a McDonnell Douglas Delta rocket.

McDonnell Douglas Commercial Delta Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of McDonnell Douglas Space Systems, has contracts to launch six more commercial satellites over the next three years, including INMARSAT for the International Maritime Satellite Organization in October 1990. That launch will mark the 200th launch of a Delta rocket.

Hughes Aircraft Co. in El Segundo, Calif., designed and built the satellite.

CONTACT: Anne McCauley, Sheila Carter or Tom Williams of McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co., 714-896-1300.

-30- 1679

#90229u0099 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - The Pentagon says the massive U-S military build-up in the Middle East will cost about one-BILLION, 200-Million dollars through the end of September. Those figures DON'T include the cost of calling up reserve forces... a move still under consideration. The Defense Department says the length of the U-S military commitment ''is unknown'' and that the ''size and composition'' of the forces ''are still evolving.''

On Thursday, there were thought to be about 30-thousand U-S soldiers in Saudi Arabia. One official says ''Operation Desert Shield'' eventually could swell to more than 100-thousand ground troops.

About five-thousand people marched in San Salvador Thursday to call for peace. They demanded that the Salvadoran government and the rebels resolve their differences and end the decade-old civil war that watchdog groups estimate has taken some 72-thousand lives. Rebel leaders and a government commission are scheduled to begin a fourth round of peace talks Friday in Costa Rica.

Officials at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, say they've begun getting back data from the Magellan space probe now orbiting

the planet Venus. Earlier Thursday, the probe began bouncing radar beams off the planet in critical tests to check out the craft's ability to photograph its surface. If all goes well, Magellan will begin a 243-day mapping mission about August 30th that's expected to revolutionize humanity's knowledge about Earth's sister planet.

The National Wildlife Federation accused U-S industry Thursday of reporting ''phantom'' reductions in toxic emissions... prompting an angry denial by an industry president. The wildlife federation says many reported reductions result from different measurements- NOT from reduced waste. Aluminum Company of America President Paul O'Neill was at the Washington news conference and accused the federation of ''deliberate misrepresentation.''

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#90229u0120 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	63	53	.543	-	36-18	27-35	5-5	L-1
Toronto	62	56	.525	2	32-29	30-27	5-5	L-1
Baltimore	56	60	.483	7	26-26	30-34	3-7	L-2
Cleveland	56	62	.475	8	32-29	24-33	7-3	W-2
Detroit	54	66	.450	11	26-33	28-33	3-7	L-3
Milwaukee	51	65	.440	12	24-32	27-33	6-4	W-3
New York	46	70	.397	17	23-29	23-41	4-6	L-6
West								
Oakland	75	43	.636	-	40-22	35-21	8-2	W-1
Chicago	67	47	.588	6	34-26	33-21	4-6	W-1
Texas	60	57	.513	14 1/2	31-24	29-33	4-6	W-1
Seattle	60	58	.508	15	32-33	28-25	4-6	W-2
California	58	60	.492	17	32-30	26-30	7-3	W-3
Kansas City	57	60	.487	17 1/2	33-28	24-32	7-3	L-1
Minnesota	55	63	.466	20	29-30	26-33	4-6	L-2

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#90229u0163 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	67	49	.578	-	34-23	33-26	4-6	W-1
New York	66	49	.574	1/2	40-22	26-27	5-5	W-1
Montreal	62	55	.530	5 1/2	33-23	29-32	7-3	L-1

Chicago	56	61	.479	11 1/2	29-31	27-30	6-4	L-1
Philadel.	55	60	.478	11 1/2	29-28	26-32	4-6	W-3
St. Louis	54	64	.458	14	27-35	27-29	5-5	L-3
West								
Cincinnati	68	47	.591	-	35-20	33-27	7-3	W-4
San Fran.	60	57	.513	9	30-24	30-33	2-8	L-5
Los Angeles	60	57	.513	9	32-24	28-33	6-4	L-1
San Diego	55	61	.474	13 1/2	29-32	26-29	7-3	W-1
Houston	52	66	.441	17 1/2	35-25	17-41	5-5	W-2
Atlanta	44	73	.376	25	25-34	19-39	4-6	L-1

-30- 990

#90229u0172 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - George Steinbrenner claims the Commissioner's office was aware of his dealings with admitted gambler Howard Spira in a televison interview with Barbara Walters to be aired Friday night.

''I kept the Commissioner's office appraised,'' Steinbrenner tells Walters on ABC's 20-20 when asked why he did not contact the commissioner before he made the payments.

''We delivered in September of 1987 a multitude of information there, when Mr. Ueberroth was commissioner. Their people were aware of it. They had files on it.''

The New York Yankee owner contended that since the matter arose during a transition of power, he assumed Ueberroth informed his successor, Bart Giamatti.

''All I know, all I can say is that I went there, and I made them aware, and they were aware of this whole situation. And that's all I can say.''

Under the agreement with Commissioner Fay Vincent, Steinbrenner has to relinguish day-to-day control of the team by August 20.

Wednesday, the team's limited partners named Robert Nederlander as interim general partner.

Vincent offered Steinbrenner two choices: a two-year suspension or resignation of his post. Steinbrenner opted for the latter.

''What was arrived at, and unfortunately has been misinterpreted by some people, whether it was inadvertently or on purpose, whatever, certain things were said about bans. There is no ban. There is no probation. And there is no suspension in the agreement that was made.''

Steinbrenner said he could not comment on whether he thought the hearing was fair and objective.

''In the agreement they have, they stuck in there a clause that said I would not comment on the hearing, and I just can't. Other people may, but I just can't.''

Steinbrenner said he made the payments because threats were made against his family and against people within the Yankee organization by Spira.

''Nobody, you can say you take threats easy, well, don't pay attention. Well, you can't. They couldn't protect the president, and they couldn't protect the Pope. So I was afraid of those things. I wanted to get him away from me, away from the Yankees, away from my people.''

Steinbrenner defended his actions during his tenure, despite the revolving door that existed in the managerial slot: 19 managers in 17 years. He said his players supported him this season.

''Let him tell you this, the Daily News went to the players this year, unbeknownst to anybody. They did a poll of the players. The players came out publicly behind their owner. Publicly. Stood up. (Don) Mattingly, (Steve) Sax, (Dave) Righetti, representing the players, said that the players are behind him, he treats us great. And that, to me, meant more than anything in the 17 years that I've had the Yankees.''

News of Vincent's ruling was greeted by cheers from fans at Yankee Stadium on July 30. Steinbrenner said the reaction didn't hurt him. ''No, that's their right.''

However he added that he felt, ''they didn't appreciate anything that had been done.''

''Nobody's perfect. Everybody's got dents in their armor, and I'm certainly a guy with a lot of dents.''

Steinbrenner said he will walk away ''proud of the Yankees, and proud of what we did.''

''I will still be involved in areas to do with the Yankees, and while it's perceived that, you know, I won't be the managing general partner, maybe 17 years is enough for me to be general partner. But some day, I look forward to my sons coming in there, and my son-in-law, and doing just what I did. I'm getting old. And I'm getting tired.''

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#90229u0189 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - U-S warships in the Persian Gulf, Gulf of Oman and Red Sea have gotten their orders. The Pentagon says naval forces were told Thursday night to begin intercepting commercial shipping to and from Iraq and Iraq-occupied Kuwait. The formal order went out just hours after President Bush announced that Jordan's King Hussein had agreed to adhere to the U-N-ordered economic sanctions against Baghdad and close the key port of Aqaba to products bound for Iraq.

In a bid to end four days of bloody factional fighting, African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela and South Africa's law and order minister have agreed to establish a ''peace forum'' on Friday representing all parties in the conflict. A police spokesman says ''This forum must work. There is NO alternative.'' The violence between rival black movements, which spread to Soweto Thursday, has left at least 163 people dead.

Reservations agents and other service workers at Pan American held a work stoppage Thursday. The action... in Miami, Orlando, Tampa, at New York's Kennedy International Airport and in Los Angeles... was called to protest the company's latest contract offer, which one union official termed ''a piece of garbage.'' The airline says the stoppage caused NO problems. But a union spokesman says things at the Miami airport were ''a mess.''

Visitors to California's Yosemite National Park will find that much of the 750-thousand-acre park was UNtouched by the wildfires that closed it one week ago. Officials estimate that the lightning-sparked blazes only charred about one-and-one-half percent of the park. On Friday, the first of Yosemite's gates will re-open... although it will be sometime before the public is allowed to view the worst of the destruction because of danger posed by fire-weakened trees toppling.

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#90229u0190 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - The defense in the assault re-trial of actor Todd Bridges rested its case Thursday without calling the 24-year-old former child t-v sitcom star to testify. Bridges' lawyer said he decided NOT to have his client take the stand because-in his words- ''the prosecution's case is very, very weak.'' The Los Angeles deputy district attorney rested his case Wednesday without calling to the stand Bridges' victim or an alleged accomplice.

North Carolina Republican Senator Jesse Helms Thursday squared off against his Democratic challenger by portraying him as an out-of-touch liberal. In radio and television commercials that aired Thursday, Helms hinted that his foe... Harvey Gantt... was soft on crime and was backed by, among others- what he called- ''the gay and lesbian political groups, the civil liberties union.'' Gantt called the ads UNfair.

#90229u0223 08/17/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 17) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Harris 2b	4	0	2	0	Boston cf	4	1	1	0
Brooks ph	1	0	0	0	Magadan 3b	4	1	2	2
Javier rf	3	0	0	0	Jefferies 2b	4	0	0	0
Gibson cf	4	0	1	0	Johnson ss	4	1	2	2
Murray 1b	4	0	0	0	Torve 1b	4	0	1	0
Daniels lf	4	0	0	0	Carreon lf	4	0	1	0
Scioscia c	3	0	1	0	Reed rf	3	0	1	0
Sharpersn 3b	3	1	3	1	Sasser c	3	1	1	0
Griffin ss	3	0	0	0	Darling p	1	0	0	0
Crews p	0	0	0	0	O'Malley ph	1	0	0	0
Walsh p	0	0	0	0	Ojeda p	0	0	0	0
Hatcher ph	0	0	0	0	Franco p	0	0	0	0
Gonzalez pr	0	0	0	0					
Belcher p	2	0	1	0					
Samuel 2b	2	0	2	0					
Totals	33	1	10	1	Totals	32	4	9	4

Los Angeles	010	000	000-	1
New York	000	211	00x-	4

DP-New York 1. LOB-Los Angeles 9, New York 5. 2B-Magadan, Johnson, Belcher. HR-Sharperson (1), Johnson (19). SB-Sharperson (12). S-Darling.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Belcher (L 9-9)	5 1-3	8	4	4	0	4
Crews	1	1	0	0	0	0
Walsh	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	0
New York						
Darling (W 5-7)	6	8	1	1	2	5
Ojeda	2 1-3	1	0	0	1	0
Franco (S 27)	2-3	1	0	0	1	0

WP-Darling. T-2:32. A-41,715.

Umpires-Home, Tata; 1b, Hohn; 2b, Rennert; 3b, Bonin.

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi

Butler cf	3	1	1	0	Dykstra cf	4	2	2	0
Anderson 2b	4	0	2	1	Daulton c	3	2	2	2
Clark 1b	4	0	1	2	VHayes lf	4	1	1	3
Mitchell lf	3	0	0	0	Martinez 1b	4	0	3	1
Williams 3b	5	1	1	0	Kruk rf	4	0	1	0
Litton rf	5	1	1	0	Herr 2b	4	0	1	0
Kennedy c	4	0	2	1	CHayes 3b	4	0	1	0
Uribe ss	4	0	0	0	Thon ss	3	0	0	0
Burkett p	0	0	0	0	Grimsley p	1	1	0	0
Parker ph	0	1	0	0	Cook p	0	0	0	0
Oliveras p	0	0	0	0	Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0
Riles ph	1	0	0	0	Murphy ph	1	0	0	0
Thurmond p	0	0	0	0	Boever p	0	0	0	0
					Ready ph	1	0	0	0
					McDowell p	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	4	8	4	Totals	33	6	11	6

San Francisco	020 002 000- 4
Philadelphia	200 200 002- 6

E-Anderson. DP-San Francisco 2, Philadelphia 1. LOB-San Francisco 11, Philadelphia 8. 2B-Daulton, Dykstra, CHayes. HR-VHayes (15). SB-Martinez (2). S-Burkett. SF-VHayes.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Burkett	5	9	4	4	3	2
Oliveras	2	0	0	0	0	1
Thurmond (L 2-3)	1 1-3	2	2	2	2	1
Philadelphia						
Grimsley	4	6	2	2	4	2
Cook	1 2-3	1	2	2	3	0
Akerfelds	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Boever	2	1	0	0	0	3
McDowell (W 4-6)	1	0	0	0	0	1

Grimsley pitched to 2 batters in the 5th.

HBP-by Grimsley (Butler). WP- Grimsley. T-3:12. A-37,340.

Umpires-Home, Crawford; 1b, Hallion; 2b, DeMuth; 3b, Gregg.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
LSmith lf	4	1	2	0	Redus lf	4	1	1	0
Treadway 2b	4	0	1	1	Bonds lf	1	0	0	0

Gant cf	3	0	2	0	J Bell ss	4	0	1	0
Presley 3b	4	0	1	0	Van Slyke cf	4	1	2	2
Mercker p	0	0	0	0	Bonilla rf	4	1	2	0
Cabrera 1b	3	0	1	1	King 3b	4	1	3	1
Gregg ph	0	0	0	0	Bream 1b	3	0	0	0
Vatcher rf	1	0	0	0	Slaught c	2	0	0	0
Thomas ss	4	0	0	0	Cangelosi ph	0	0	0	0
Justice rf	4	1	2	1	Kipper p	0	0	0	0
Olson c	3	0	0	0	Lind 2b	2	0	1	1
Parrett p	0	0	0	0	Tomlin p	3	0	0	0
Lemke 3b	1	0	0	0	S Belinda p	0	0	0	0
Glavine p	2	0	0	0	Patterson p	0	0	0	0
Whitt c	1	1	1	0	Lavalliere c	1	0	0	0
Totals	34	3	10	3	Totals	32	4	10	4

One out when winning run scored.

Atlanta	100 000 110- 3
Pittsburgh	010 001 101- 4

E-LSmith. DP-Pittsburgh 1. LOB- Atlanta 5, Pittsburgh 10. 2B-Cabrera, Whitt. HR-King (6), Justice (18), Van Slyke (13). CS-Gant. S-Bream, JBell, Gant. SF-Lind.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Glavine	6 1-3	9	3	3	3	3
Parrett	1	0	0	0	1	1
Mercker (L 4-2)	1	1	1	1	0	1
Pittsburgh						
Tomlin	6 2-3	7	2	2	0	3
SBelinda	1	3	1	1	0	1
Patterson	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Kipper (W 5-1)	1	0	0	0	0	0

WP-Tomlin. Balk-Tomlin. T-3:00. A -19,304.

Umpires-Home-Rapuano. 1B, Winters. 2b, Davidson. 3b, Runge.

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
DeShields 2b	5	0	2	1	Roberts ss	5	1	1	0
Ruskin p	0	0	0	0	Alomar 2b	6	0	2	1
Burke p	0	0	0	0	Gwynn rf	6	0	1	0
Nixon lf	5	0	3	0	Carter lf	5	1	4	2
DMartinz cf	5	0	0	0	Pagliarul 3b	3	0	2	0
Wallach 3b	5	0	2	0	Clark ph-1b	0	0	0	0

Aldrete 1b	4	0	1	0	Stephensn 1b	3	0	0	0
Grissom pr	0	0	0	0	Templetn ss	2	0	0	0
Galarrag 1b	1	0	0	0	Abner cf	5	0	1	0
Walker rf	5	1	1	0	Lampkin c	2	0	0	0
Goff c	4	0	0	0	Jackson ph	1	0	1	0
Owen ss	4	1	1	0	Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0
Boyd p	1	0	0	0	Parent ph	1	0	0	0
Foley ph	1	0	0	0	Whitson p	2	0	0	0
Rojas p	0	0	0	0	Santiago c	1	1	1	0
Frey p	0	0	0	0					
Noboa ph-2b	1	0	0	0					
Totals	41	2	10	1	Totals	42	3	13	3

Montreal	000 010 000 01- 2
San Diego	000 001 000 02- 3

Two out when winning run scored.

E-Lampkin, Templeton, Clark. DP- Montreal 2, San Diego 1. LOB-Montreal 9, San Diego 14. 2B-DeShields, Carter. HR-Carter (20). SB-Walker 2 (16), Wallach (6). S-Boyd, Whitson, Owen.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Boyd	6	7	1	1	1	0
Rojas	1 2-3	0	0	0	2	1
Frey	1 1-3	2	0	0	1	0
Ruskin	1 1-3	1	0	0	1	0
Burke (L 1-3)	1-3	3	2	2	0	0
San Diego						
Whitson	9	8	1	1	1	5
Rodriguez (W 1-0)	2	2	1	0	0	2

HBP-by Burke (Santiago). WP-Boyd, Rodriguez. PB-Goff 2. T-3:14. A-14,331.

Umpires-Home, Barnes; 1b, Marsh; 2b, Wendelstedt; 3b, West.

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Yelding cf	3	0	1	0	Coleman lf	4	0	2	0
Doran 2b	4	0	0	0	OSmith ss	4	0	0	0
Caminiti 3b	4	0	0	0	McGee cf	4	0	1	1
GWilson rf	4	1	2	0	Guerrero 1b	3	0	1	0
Biggio c	3	1	0	0	Collins 1b	1	0	1	1
Davidson lf	4	1	2	1	Dayley p	0	0	0	0
Stubbs 1b	3	1	1	1	Zeile c	4	0	1	0

Ramirez ss	4	0	1	1	Pendleton 3b	4	0	0	0
Darwin p	3	0	1	0	Thompson rf	4	0	0	0
Hernandz pr	0	0	0	0	Oquendo 2b	3	0	0	0
Agosto p	0	0	0	0	Magrane p	1	0	0	0
DSmith p	0	0	0	0	Jones ph	1	1	1	0
					Terry p	0	0	0	0
					CWilson 1b	1	1	1	0
Totals	32	4	8	3	Totals	34	2	8	2

Houston	010 200 001- 4
St. Louis	000 001 010- 2

E-Caminiti. DP-Houston 1, St. Louis 1. LOB-Houston 4, St. Louis 5.
2B-Yelding, GWilson, Ramirez. HR-Davidson (1), Stubbs (17). SB-Stubbs (9), Coleman 2 (62), Yelding (48).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Darwin (W 8-1)	6	4	1	1	0	3
Agosto	1 2-3	4	1	1	0	1
DSmith (S 20)	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
St. Louis						
Magrane (L 8-13)	6	6	3	3	3	4
Terry	2	1	0	0	0	1
Dayley	1	1	1	1	0	0

T-2:49. A-23,756.

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, Davidson; 2b, Williams; 3b, Montague.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Newman ss	5	2	3	0	Cole cf	4	0	1	0
Liriano ss	5	2	3	0	Browne 2b	4	2	2	0
Puckett 3b	5	0	2	0	DiJames 1b	4	1	2	1
Larkin 1b	5	0	2	2	Manto 1b	1	0	0	0
Gladden lf	4	0	0	0	Maldonado lf	4	1	1	0
Hrbek ph	1	0	1	1	DoJames dh	2	1	2	1
Mack cf	4	1	1	0	Jacoby 3b	3	0	1	1
Gaetti ph	1	0	0	0	Snyder rf	3	1	1	1
Castillo dh	3	0	1	0	Alomar c	4	1	1	1

Bush dh	1	0	1	0	Fermin ss	4	0	2	2
Ortiz c	4	0	1	0					
Gagne ss	3	0	1	1					
Moses rf	1	0	0	0					
Totals	42	5	16	4	Totals	33	7	13	7

Minnesota	001	100	102-	5
Cleveland	112	030	00x-	7

DP-Cleveland 1. LOB-Minnesota 10, Cleveland 8. 2B-Liriano, DiJames, Fermin. 3B-Browne. HR-Alomar (6). SB-Cole Jr (19). SF-Snyder, Jacoby.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Tapani (L 11-6)	2 1-3	5	4	4	2	2
Smith	4 2-3	7	3	3	2	2
Drummond	1	1	0	0	0	0
Cleveland						
Swindell (W 9-7)	7	11	3	3	0	3
Ward	1	3	2	2	0	0
Jones (S 33)	1	2	0	0	0	1

Ward pitched to 2 batters in the 9th.

Balk-Swindell. T-2:45. A-11,085.

Umpires-Home, Roe; 1b, Morrison; 2b, Joyce; 3b, Barnett.

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 1b	4	1	2	1	Whitaker 2b	5	0	0	0
Brock 1b	0	0	0	0	Phillips dh	4	2	1	0
Surhoff c	4	0	1	0	Trammell ss	4	1	2	0
Sheffield 3b	5	0	1	0	Fielder 1b	4	1	4	2
DParker dh	5	0	1	1	Sheets lf	4	0	0	0
Yount cf	4	2	1	1	Coles ph	1	0	0	0
Deer rf	3	1	1	1	Lemon rf	4	0	0	2
Felder rf	1	1	0	0	Shelby cf	5	0	2	0
Hamilton lf	5	3	4	1	Fryman 3b	3	0	2	0
Gantner 2b	3	0	1	1	Heath c	4	0	1	0
Spiers ss	4	0	1	2					
Totals	38	8	13	8	Totals	38	4	12	4

Milwaukee	110	003	300-	8
Detroit	101	010	001-	4

E-Gantner, Sheffield. DP-Detroit 1. LOB-Milwaukee 8, Detroit 12.

2B-Fielder, Hamilton. 3B-Deer. HR-Fielder (37), Yount (12). SB-Hamilton 2 (7), Molitor (11). CS-Shelby. S-Gantner. SF -Lemon.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
RRobinson (W 7-3)	5	10	3	3	1	2
Veres	2	1	0	0	1	0
Knudson	1	0	0	0	0	0
Powell	0	1	1	1	2	0
Plesac (S 19)	1	0	0	0	0	1
Detroit						
Petry (L 9-9)	5	9	5	5	2	2
CParker	4	4	3	3	2	1

Petry pitched to 3 batters in the 6th. Powell pitched to 3 batters in the 9th. T-3:28. A-15,888.

Umpires-Home plate, Cooney. 1B, Tschida. 2B, Brinkman. 3B, Reed.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Chicago at Texas, 2, 6:35 p.m.
Seattle at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Oakland at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
California at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Milwaukee, 8:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Atlanta at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 2, 5:35 p.m.
Houston at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
New York at San Francisco, 10:35 p.m.
Montreal at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

Edmonton, Alberta - World Championships

BASKETBALL

Buenos Aires, Argentina - Men's World Championships

BOXING

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Las Vegas, Nev. - Donald Curry vs. Jose Duran Martinez

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Las Vegas, Nev. - Rafael Ruelas vs. Job Walters

GOLF

Castle Rock, Colo. - PGA The International
New Rochelle, N.Y. - $400,000 LPGA Big Apple Classic
Park City, Utah - U.S. West Showdown Senior Classic

HORSE RACING

East Rutherford, N.J. - $1.8 Million Dollar Babies Night.

TENNIS

Indianapolis - Men's $1 million U.S. Hardcourts Championships
Manhattan Beach, Calif. - Women's $350,000 Virginia Slims of Los Angeles

New Haven, Conn. - Men's $1 million Volvo International

TRACK AND FIELD

Berlin - ISTAF '90

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) UPI - If reserve forces are activated to back up U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, it will mark the first full-scale test of the post-Vietnam War restructuring of the American military.

When the United States shifted to a volunteer force at the end of the war in Southeast Asia - dropping the draft - much of the chore of supporting combat units was deliberately shifted to National Guard and reserve forces.

While sending a significant number of front-line combat units abroad for an extended stay might suggest reserve units associated with the combat troops must be called up to help with logistics, Maj. Doug Hart, a Pentagon spokesman on reserve issues, said that is not necessarily the

case.

Pentagon officials have not publicly addressed how reserve units would be employed, it was expected there would be no widespread shipment of reserves to Saudi Arabia because the bulk of the work to be done was in the United States, filling in for the soldiers who shipped out.

After the draft ended in 1973, the military went to what is known as the ''Total Force Policy,'' the decision to concentrate on active combat forces with the reserves and guard, which cost less to maintain, taking up the support chores. Presidential authority for call-ups without the permission of Congress at first was 50,000, but that was boosted to 100,000 in the early 1980s and to 200,000 a few years ago.

Although Hart said a call up was not a guaranteed necessity, retired Army Maj. Gen. Evan Hultman, executive director of the Reserve Officers Association of the United States, said a large, distant long-term build up could require reserves.

But retired Adm. Eugene Carroll, head of the Center for Defense Information, suggested the Pentagon was ''demonizing Saddam Hussein'' to build support for calling up reserves.

''We have 2.1 million people in uniform. If we can't meet our commitments to be wholly defensive in Saudi Arabia and deter an attack we'd best get some new military commanders and a secretary of defense. I think calling up the reserve or flying a trial balloon on it is to create public awareness and concern that this is a really dangerous situation ... and a hell of a good budget tool'' to get money from Congress, said Carroll.

In at least one service, the Air Force, reservists are an integral part of day-to-day operations. Reserve crews on days off from civilian jobs routinely fly cargo jets and tankers to haul gear about and provide inflight refueling to fighters, bombers, reconnaissance planes and the like. They already are heavily involved on a volunteer basis in the air bridge that has been set up to ferry men, weapons and warplanes to the region.

It was considered unlikely the full 200,000 would be called up, in part because by going on active duty reservists automatically draw full-time military pay which would further strain an already hard-pressed Pentagon budget.

More than two-thirds of the Army's combat support and combat service support is in Guard and Reserve Units. A full 93 percent of the Navy's cargo-handling capacity is in Reserve units. Almost two-thirds of the Marine Corps bulk fueling crews come from reservists.

The military reserves were last mobilized in 1970, when President Richard Nixon called on 26,000 of them to help during a postal strike.

The last time the reserves were called up during a conflict was in January 1968, during the Tet offensive in the Vietnam War. A total of 35,280 were mobilized through December 1969.

The Army reserves consist of 593,832 men and women; the Navy reserves, 238,061; the Marine reserves, 80,128; and the Air Force reserves, 136,331.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - The Environmental Protection Agency says 96 areas of the country- mostly cities- have smog levels above federal health standards. The figure is down slightly from the 101 places cited for violations last year. 41 areas exceeded federal limits for carbon monoxide.

An environmental group says corporations have reported ''phantom'' reductions in their release of toxic pollutants into America's air, water and land. The National Wildlife Federation accuses the corporations of using creative accounting tricks. ALCOA's chief executive officer calls the report ''malicious.''

There's still three months to go before Election Day, and political action committees already have contributed more than 90-Million dollars to 1990 congressional races. Campaign documents show that five individual PAC's have each topped the one-Million-dollar mark. Business-related PAC's contributed nearly two-thirds of the money.

A federal jury in Minneapolis resumes deliberations this morning on the fate of three former Northwest Airlines pilots accused of flying under the influence of alcohol. The jury got the case yesterday after hearing final arguments from the prosecution and defense.

In New York City, a jury is inching its way closer to a verdict in the Central Park jogger rape case. In its eighth day of deliberations yesterday, the panel focused on what happened in a police precinct where defense lawyers say their clients were tricked into confessing. Three youths are on trial in the April 1989 attack.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Atlanta - Activated infielder Andres Thomas from disabled list; outrighted first baseman Mike Bell to Greenville of Southern League (AA).

Chicago (NL) - Optioned pitcher Les Lancaster to Iowa of American Association (AAA); recalled pitcher Kevin Coffman from Iowa.

Cincinnati - Called up pitcher Rosario Rodriguez from Chattanooga of Southern League (AA).

Pittsburgh - Outrighted pitcher Mark Ross to Buffalo of the American Association (AAA); recalled pitcher Mike York from Buffalo; outrighted outfielder Moises Alou to Indianapolis of the American Association to complete trade with Montreal for pitcher Zane Smith.

St. Louis - Placed pitcher John Tudor on 15-day disabled list retroactive to Aug. 11; recalled pitcher Omar Olivares from Louisville of the American Association (AAA).

Seattle - Named Reggie Waller assistant vice president of baseball operations.

BASKETBALL

Continental Basketball Association - Named Greg Anderson Director of Media Relations.

Miami - Signed center Alan Ogg.

COLLEGE

Big East Conference - Named John Paquette director of public relations.

Columbia - Named John Donovan and Lori Zalbowitz assistant sports information directors.

Florida A&M - Named Joseph Durant women's basketball coach.

Illinois - Announced basketball center Rodney Jones left school for academic reasons.

Missouri - Released guard Travis Ford from basketball scholarship to free him to tranfer without losing eligibility.

St. Francis (Pa.) - Named Tom Ledford women's soccer coach; Mike Markle assistant football coach; Chris McDonnell women's tennis coach and Beth Shoulla assistant athletics trainer.

FOOTBALL

Buffalo - Waived punter Rick Tuten.

Cleveland - Signed free agent quarterback Pat Ryan to 2-year contract.

Dallas - Waived wide receiver Jarrod Delaney, defensive lineman Anthony Spears and offensive lineman R.C. Mullin.

Indianapolis - Waived running back Reggie Barnes, tight end Chad Fortune, center Ron Vargo and defensive lineman Doug Lowery.

Kansas City - Signed wide receiver Pete Mandley and linebacker Dino Hackett to series of 1-year contracts; announced retirement of linebacker Jerry McCabe.

LA Rams - Signed cornerback Clifford Hicks; waived wide receiver Gene Taylor.

NY Jets - Waived wide receiver Carl Parker.

NFL - Suspended Tampa Bay offensive lineman Carl Bax for 3 games after hepleaded guilty of steroid importation.

Philadelphia - Signed safety Terry Hoage To A 1-year contract.

Pittsburgh - Removed defensive end Aaron Jones from physically unable to perform list.

San Francisco - Waived defensive lineman Ed Williams.

Tampa Bay - Waived tight end Eric Bailey.

World League of American Football - Named Dan Rambo personnel coordinator for Mexico and Canada.

HOCKEY

Detroit - Traded center Shawn McCosh to Los Angeles for a 10th-round pick in the 1992 NHL draft.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

BATTING (Minimum 275 at-bats)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	355	84	117	.330
Griffey, Sea	458	72	148	.323
Palmeiro, Tex	431	54	138	.320
Harper, Min	355	49	112	.315
Brett, KC	404	61	126	.312
Trammell, Det	438	54	136	.311
Sheffield, Mil	400	57	124	.310
Quintana, Bos	352	41	109	.310
JoReed, Bos	420	53	130	.310
Boggs, Bos	446	66	138	.309

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	423	86	148	.350
McGee, StL	459	68	155	.338
Magadan, NY	304	52	101	.332
Dawson, Chi	379	51	125	.330
Bonds, Pit	373	80	118	.316
Gwynn, SD	467	66	147	.315
Sandberg, Chi	467	89	145	.310
Murray, LA	394	65	122	.310
Jefferies, NY	435	73	133	.306
L.Smith, Atl	323	48	98	.303

HOME RUNS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 37; J.Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 30; McGriff, Tor 27; Gruber, Tor 23.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi 28; Strawberry, NY 27; Mitchell, SF 26; Bonilla, Pit 25; Bonds, Pit 23.

RUNS BATTED IN

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 95; Gruber, Tor 83; J.Canseco, Oak 82; McGwire, Oak 78; Bell, Tor 73.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Carter, SD 95; Williams, SF 89; Bonds, Pit 88; Bonilla, Pit 78; Strawberry, NY 77.

DOUBLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Jo.Reed, Bos 38; Boggs, Bos and Brett, KC 33; Calderon, Chi and Puckett, Min 32.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Wallach, Mtl, and Dykstra, Phi 32; Jefferies, NY 30; Sabo, Cin and Bonilla, Pit 29.

TRIPLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fernandez, Tor 15; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos 7; Polonia, Cal, Johnson, Chi, Webster, Cle, Eisenreich, KC, Pettis, Tex and Felix, Tor 6.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Duncan, Cin, and L.Smith, Atl 8; Coleman and Thompson, StL, and Gwynn, SD 7.

STOLEN BASES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 49; Sax, NY 30; Calderon, Chi 29; Pettis, Tex 28; Kelly, NY 26.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Coleman, StL 62; Yelding, Hou 48; Bonds, Pit 38; Nixon, Mtl 37; Samuel, LA and Raines, Mtl 35.

RUNS SCORED

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 84; Fielder, Det, and Yount, Mil 76; McGriff, Tor 74; Griffey, Sea 72.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi, and Bonilla, Pit 89; Dykstra, Phi 86; Bonds, Pit 80; Sabo, Cin 78.

HITS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Griffey, Sea 148; Palmeiro, Tex and Boggs, Bos 138; Trammell, Det 136; Seitzer, KC 134.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - McGee, StL 155; Dykstra, Phi 148; Gwynn, SD 147; Sandberg, Chi 145; Alomar, SD 139.

PITCHING

VICTORIES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Welch, Oak 19; Clemens, Bos and Stewart, Oak 17; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 15.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA, Drabek, Pit and Viola, NY 15; Browning and Armstrong, Cin, and Gooden, NY 12.

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 100 innings pitched)

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 2.06; Finley, Cal 2.36; Stewart, Oak 2.43; McCaskill, Cal 2.96; Welch, Oak 3.08.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Tudor, StL 2.45; Whitson, SD 2.62; Viola, NY 2.73; Gardner, Mtl 2.85; Drabek, Pit 2.88.

STRIKEOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 175; Witt, Tex 162; Hanson, Sea 152; Ryan, Tex 150; Johnson, Sea 147.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 176; Cone, NY 152; Gooden, NY 150; DeLeon, StL, 130; Martinez, Mtl 129.

SAVES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Thigpen, Chi 38; Eckersley, Oak 37; Jones, Cle 33; Schooler, Sea 29; Olson, Bal 27.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Franco, NY 27; Myers, Cin 24; Smith, StL 21; Smith, Hou, 20; Lefferts, SD 18.

COMPLETE GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Stewart, Oak 8; Brown, Tex and Young, Sea 6; Morris, Det Saberhagen, KC, Leary, NY and Clemens, Bos 5.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA, Martinez, Mtl and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl, Maddux, Chi, Belcher, LA, Drabek, Pit and Hurst, SD 5.

SHUTOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Stewart, Oak and Clemens, Bos 3; nine players tied with 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl and Viola, NY 3; 13 pitchers tied with 2.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - The United States, following a day of developments that moved the Persian Gulf crisis no closer to a breakthrough, has given its naval forces in the region orders to prevent ships from reaching or leaving the ports of Iraq and Iraqi-conquered Kuwait.

A Pentagon statement Thursday said enforcement of the U.N-mandated sanctions against Baghdad ''will be conducted by ships of the participating nations in specified zones in the Persian Gulf, the Gulf of Oman and the Red Sea.'' The orders allow the Navy to board and search

ships.

No commercial ships have been stopped by the growing U.S. naval presence in the region since the U.N. Security Council last week adopted an embargo against Iraq to punish Baghdad for invading oil-rich Kuwait.

Iraq now has thousands of troops massed on the border of Saudi Arabia, home to tens of thousands of U.S. forces that were called in to defend the kingdom.

Warships from Britain, France, the Soviet Union, Australia, Canada and the Netherlands were either in the gulf or heading there, but the U.S. interdiction order apparently was separate from any multinational effort.

U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar said Bush's proposed blockade of Iraq goes beyond the economic sanctions authorized by the Security Council.

The United States has nearly 30 warships in the region and could easily keep commercial vessels from leaving or approaching Iraqi ports.

Along with the United States' naval presence, Washington's buildup of troops in Saudi Arabia is continuing. A defense official said ''in excess of 100,000'' U.S. ground troops will go to Saudi Arabia under Operation Desert Shield. More than 30,000 troops were believed to already be in the kingdom, one of the United States' chief suppliers of oil.

In a frustrating day of diplomacy surrounding the gulf crisis, Jordan's King Hussein emerged after a two-hour meeting with President Bush in Kennebunkport, Maine, and said there was no breakthrough in sight. Asked if there was any hope for resolving the crisis, he said, ''Without hope you can't get anywhere.''

Hussein, who has broken ranks with most other Arab states by maintaining ties with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, had reportedly brought a message from the besieged Iraqi president to Bush. But the king said, ''I did not bring any message.''

Diplomats had hoped that Jordan's Hussein had brought an Iraqi peace initiative to Bush's vacation home in Kennebunkport.

Bush said Hussein agreed to adhere to the multinational economic sanctions and close the key port of Aqaba to products bound for Iraq. Jordan has been permitting Iraq to use its port in the Gulf of Aqaba to bring in limited shipments of food and other goods, which are carried by trucks to Iraq.

Hussein would only say he had a ''frank'' discussion with Bush, but did

not suggest he would accede to Bush's wishes and close the Iraqi lifeline.

In what British Foreign Officer Minister of State William Waldegrave called a ''grave and sinister development,'' British and U.S. officials said Iraq ordered 4,000 Britons and 2,500 Americans in Kuwait to assemble in hotels for possible internment in Iraq.

Iraqi military authorities said the order issued in Kuwait was to ensure the safety of the foreigners, but the State Department reported there have been no signs U.S. citizens have been singled out for harassment.

Britain urged its citizens to comply with the order. The United States left the decision to each individual. Iraqi authorities had threatened to ''round up'' Americans if they failed to assemble at the hotel, U.S. officials said.

Asked in Kennebunkport about the Americans being held, Bush said, ''I am concerned with the coercion of any foreign nationals of some other country is a violation of international norm.''

Earlier Thursday, Iraq allowed some 4,700 foreigners - a group that was mostly Egyptian but included two Americans, three Britons and a French citizen - to cross into Jordan. The Americans, who were not identified, were the first U.S. citizens to enter Jordan from Iraq since a group of 11 Americans arrived in the Jordanian capital of Amman Saturday.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Minutes after smacking a seventh-inning single Thursday, Houston Astros pitcher Danny Darwin found himself slapped in the face.

In the sixth inning of Houston's 4-2 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals, Darwin threw inside to first baseman Pedro Guerrero, who exchanged words with the right-hander before striking out.

In the next inning, Darwin singled and confronted Guerrero at first, where the two began arguing. With first base umpire Bob Davidson standing in between the two players, Guerrero slapped Darwin in the face, igniting a wild brawl.

Both benches emptied. Darwin, Guerrero and Houston Manager Art Howe were ejected.

''He's a cheap-shot artist,'' Darwin said of Guerrero. ''He was trying to be the macho man, I guess. Anybody can hit someone else when they're not looking.''

Guerrero declined to comment, but both clubhouses were buzzing after the game.

''I don't think it's fair for my starting pitcher to get thrown out for getting hit in the face,'' Howe said.

Guerrero became upset after Darwin worked a high pitch on the inside part of the plate. Darwin said it was inside but not dangerous.

''If I wanted to hit him I would have hit him,'' Darwin said. ''I've got four pitches to hit him with. It's not that difficult.

The pitch was a foot and a half away. I told him I was not trying to hit him. I think he's gutless.''

Darwin, 8-1, won his seventh straight decision. Since joining the starting rotation in July, Darwin is 6-0 with three no-decisions.

Thursday he allowed one run and four hits, walking none and striking out three.

''He's been outstanding,'' Howe said. ''Tonight was a typical performance.''

Joe Magrane, 8-13, had a personal four-game winning streak snapped. He yeilded three runs and six hits in six innings.

Mark Davidson belted his first home run of the season for Houston.

Elsewhere in the National League, New York downed Los Angeles 4-1, Philadelphia beat San Francisco 6-4, Pittsburgh downed Atlanta 4-3 and San Diego outscored Montreal 3-2 in 11 innings.

In the American League, Cleveland beat Minnesota 7-5 and Milwaukee bested Detroit 8-4.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Mets 4, Dodgers 1

At New York, Dave Magadan and Howard Johnson drove in two runs apiece powering Ron Darling and the Mets. Magadan doubled home one run and scored another in the fourth, then singled a run across in the fifth. Darling, 5-7, went six innings. John Franco notched his 27th save. Tim Belcher, 9-9 took the loss.

Phillies 6, Giants 4

At Philadelphia, Von Hayes hit a two-run homer in the ninth inning to send the Phillies to victory. Hayes hit his 15th home run of the season off Mark Thurmond, 2-3, with Darren Daulton on base with a walk. Roger McDowell, 4-6, retired the side in the ninth.

Pirates 4, Braves 3

At Pittsburgh, Andy Van Slyke slammed his 13th home run with one out in the ninth inning, lifting the Pirates. Kent Mercker fell to 4-2.

Padres 3, Expos 2, 11 innings

At San Diego, Joe Carter hit a two-out RBI single off Tim Burke, 1-3, that scored Bip Roberts and capped a two-run 11th inning. Rich Rodriquez, 1-0, pitched two innings of two-hit relief for the victory.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Indians 7, Twins 5

At Cleveland, Felix Fermin drove in two runs and Greg Swindell survived seven shaky innings. Swindell, 9-7, allowed 11 of the Twins' 16 hits but got relief help from Doug Jones, who earned his 33rd save. Kevin Tapani fell to 11-6.

Brewers 8, Tigers 4

At Detroit, Paul Molitor followed an RBI groundout by Bill Spiers with a run-scoring single, capping a three-run sixth inning that gave Milwaukee the victory. Ron Robinson, 7-3, was the winner despite allowing 10 hits in five innings. Dan Plesac recorded his 19th save. Dan Petry fell to 9-9.

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PORTLAND, Ore. (AUG. 17) UPI - A pro-timber industry group has filed an appeal with the government to block a conservation group from holding a retreat in the Cascade Mountains that includes nature lectures and an owl-hooting contest.

The Yellow Ribbon Coalition charged Thursday that the gathering this weekend by members of the Oregon Natural Resources Council at Waldo Lake, southeast of Eugene, poses a fire hazard in an area closed to commercial logging.

The industry group filed an appeal with the U.S. Forest Service, saying a proposed owl-hooting contest, to be judged by a federal biologist, ''may constitute harassment of area owls.''

The coalition also objected to the participation of Forest Service personnel in the campout, saying it amounted to federal endorsement of a fund-raising activity by the conservation group.

''Using Forest Service personnel to raise money for a political group whose mission is to destroy rural communities and file suits against the government is a blatant misuse of public funds,'' said Charlie Janz of Eugene, a member of the coalition.

The ONRC is one of the conservation groups that filed suit to block logging of ancient forests of the Northwest and protect the habitat of the northern spotted owl. The suits and other petitions resulted in the owl being declared a threatened species by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services - a move that will restrict logging and costs thousands of jobs in the timber industry.

ONRC Executive Director James Monteith called the challenge ''ridiculous.'' He said ONRC has been staging the Waldo Lake campout for seven years in a developed campground. He said the organization had all of the proper permits.

''This is something we have done before and done carefully,'' he said.

The Yellow Ribbon Coalition said between 700 and 1,000 people would attend the event, but Monteith said he would believed fewer than 300 would attend.

ONRC member Peter Jensen of Eugene confirmed that Forest Service recreation specialists and biologists will attend the event. A biologist for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will judge the hooting contest, he said.

Jensen, coordinator of the reteat, added that he thought just as proper for the Forest Service personnel to attend the campout as it is for Forest Service engineers and timber experts to help timber companies cut logs.

''The public pays for a lot of things for the timber industry,'' he said. ''The Forest Service plans timber sales. It builds the roads for the timber companies. It sells them timber at blow cost.''

As for the owl hooting contest, Jensen said Waldo Lake is located above the elevation where the owls live.

''If an owl answers us, we will all fall over and be silent,'' he said. ''I plan to enter and I will hoot to win.''

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MOSCOW (AUG. 17) UPI - West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher and his Soviet counterpart, Eduard Shevardnadze, met Friday to discuss the rapid pace of German unification and the Persian Gulf crisis.

Genscher arrived in Moscow Thursday night for the one-day visit that will focus on practical aspects of unification.

The Soviet Union removed the last major foreign obstacle to quick unification of the two Germanys last month when President Mikhail Gorbachev agreed a unified Germany could be a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, the Western military alliance.

''German reunification has proceeded more rapidly than expected,'' Shevardnadze told the Soviet news agency Tass before Friday morning's meeting. ''We shall have to put in some hard work as there is little time left. We need to work to expedite agreement on the external aspects of German reunification.''

Another meeting in the so-called ''two plus four'' talks grouping the two Germanys and the four World War II victors is scheduled for Sept. 12 in Moscow, and there has been speculation a final agreement on unification may be reached then.

Genscher told Tass that West Germany was doing everything it could to ensure ''foreign policy aspects do not present an obstacle to German unification.''

The two foreign ministers also planned to discuss the upheaval in the Middle East that grew out of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2 and Baghdad's massing of troops on the Saudi border. The Soviet Union and West Germany both condemned the Iraqi action.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Thunderstorms rumbled through the Plains and the South Friday, flooding portions of Texas and triggering downpours in Georgia, while fog rolled over the Northeast and temperatures cooled on the West Coast.

Flash flood watches were posted in southeast New Mexico and southwest Texas as scattered showers and thunderstorms drifted through the Southern Plains, the National Weather Service said.

Heavy rain caused street flooding overnight in the Texas Panhandle town of Hart, and strong winds overturned trees and damaged roofs in Midland.

Thunderstorms also rolled across southwest Minnesota, part of a storm system that extended into east-central Iowa. Related storms dropped heavy rain over parts of northwestern Iowa and northeastern Nebraska, the NWS said.

A slow-moving low-pressure trough stretching from North Carolina to central Alabama dotted parts of the South with thundershowers and dumped heavy rain overnight across parts of southeast Georgia.

An Army convoy truck hauling Stinger missiles apparently for shipment to the Middle East overturned in a heavy thunderstorm late Thursday near Savannah, Ga., dumping the weapons on Interstate 95 and slightly injuring the driver. The missiles did not explode and the wreckage was cleared in two hours, authorities said.

A blanket of fog covered much of the Northeast from Vermont to southern Maryland early Friday, cutting visibility to one-eighth of a mile in Montpelier, Vt., and Elmira, N.Y. Morning lows ranged in the 50s and 60s across most of New England and the Middle Atlantic region.

In the West, a cooling trend that began Monday in much of California continued as the weekend approached, with most inland highs reaching the 80s instead of the 90s or higher. A weak Pacific cold front brought a chance of showers to the northwest part of California and the northern mountains.

Western firefighters neared victory over lightning-sparked wildfires that have blackened nearly 800 square miles in seven states during the past two weeks. Only one major blaze in California - the state hardest hit by the wildfires - was expected to remain out of control beyond this weekend.

The California Division of Forestry said the three fires in the Mattole Complex blaze have burned 15,100 acres of heavy timber and slash. The fire was not expected to be contained until Aug. 27.

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#90229u0391 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (AUG. 17) UPI - Thousands of people waving banners and pictures of Mohammad Zia ul-Haq jammed the capital area Friday to mark the second anniversary of the mysterious death of the former president.

About 3,000 police, many armed with batons, were on alert throughout the capital to prevent violence between supporters of ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party and pro-Zia demonstrators.

Police hoped to avoid a repetition of last year's anniversary when groups of government and opposition supporters pelted each other with stones,

resulting in injuries to one PPP official.

Police estimated 50,000 people had arrived in the area, many from distant parts of the country.

The main procession, led by the late president's son, Ijaz ul-Haq, was scheduled to march from Zia's former residence at Army House in the neighboring city of Rawalpindi to his grave outside the massive Faisal Mosque in Islamabad.

The entire route was decorated with huge portraits of Zia and observers predicted a highly politicized occasion.

''We will have much heated debate,'' a Pakistani journalist said. ''There will be great excitement.''

Zia, who ruled Pakistan for 11 years, died Aug. 17, 1988, when his C-130 military transport plane crashed minutes after takeoff from the eastern city of Bahawalpur. Also killed were U.S. Ambassador Arnold Raphel and many of Pakistan's senior military officers.

An official report on the crash released two months later concluded it was ''probably'' caused by sabotage. But the report did not place blame.

His death cleared the way for the November 1988 elections - the first open election in 11 years in Pakistan - when Bhutto won a narrow majority to become the first female prime minister of an Islamic nation.

The anniversary of Zia's death comes only days after President Ghulam Ishaq Khan dismissed the Bhutto government and dissolved the National Assembly.

He charged her government with ''corruption and nepotism'' and with failing to control the law and order situation in southern Sind province, where more than 600 people have died in ethnic unrest in recent months.

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#90229u0393 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (AUG. 17) UPI - Rising inflation and a severe budget deficit in Vietnam have small industries ''in the doldrums'' and many development projects could be reduced or canceled altogether, official Hanoi radio reported.

''In the first half of this year, the socioeconomic situation continued to evolve positively though many new difficulties have cropped up,'' the radio said in a report Thursday night.

It said the biggest problems were with the financial system.

''The budget deficit and inflation, though narrowed, have not been curbed '' it said.

The report did not give any figures for inflation, but business sources in Ho Chi Minh City said it has edged up from about 30 percent at the end of last year to more than 40 percent.

The value of the Vietnamese dong has dropped from 4,200 to the U.S. dollar at the beginning of the year to nearly 6,000 dong to the dollar in August.

The economy has also been affected by the U.S. economic embargo and by large-scale fraud in the state-run banking system that has dried up sources of capital for legitimate producers.

''Due to the shortage of capital and poor performances, local industries and small industries are in the doldrums, causing many hardships to millions of laborers,'' the radio report said.

The report said urgent measures were required to reduce the budget and trade deficits.

''All economic branches are reconsidering the projects under their charge with a view to concentrating capital and technical means on the key projects and reducing the scale of or shelving those projects deemed not of vital importance for the immediate future,'' it said.

A nationwide campaign against tax evasion, smuggling and corruption must take place at the same time to prevent the loss of government income, it said.

The report, however, said the prospects for agriculture continued to be good, particularly in the south, which last year exported a surplus of more than 1.4 million tons of rice. The report said economic reforms allowing secure land tenure and market prices for agricultural produce had helped raise productivity by 14 percent.

Other bright spots were increases in crude oil (92.6 percent), textiles (10 percent) and paper (7 percent).

The report said Vietnam's liberal foreign investment laws had attracted a total of $1.07 billion in 151 approved foreign projects since 1987.

The report said electricity production had increased by 8.9 percent. Vietnamese electricity officials, however, said most of the increases came in northern Vietnam while most of the increase in demand was in the south.

The increase in demand, coupled with a shortage of rainfall that cut production from hydroelectric power plants, left much of the south with only three days of electricity per week earlier this year.

The officials said there were prospects for even greater shortages next year.

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#90229u0395 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (AUG. 17) UPI - Israeli soldiers shot and killed two guerrillas Friday in Israel's self-declared ''security zone'' in southern Lebanon, the army said.

The soldiers were on a routine patrol when they encountered the guerrillas about 2 miles west of the village of Taibe. They opened fire, killing two guerrillas, an army spokesman said.

No Israeli soldiers were wounded in the incident, the spokesman said. It was not immediately known to which organization the guerrillas belonged.

Jerusalem created the security zone as protection from guerrilla groups hoping to launch attacks in northern Israel.

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LONDON (AUG. 17) UPI - Iraq has not enforced its order for British and U.S. citizens in Kuwait to assemble at hotels, possibly to be moved to Baghdad, and Britons were told by their embassy to stay at home, the Foreign Office said Friday.

''The (British) ambassador has been in touch with the Iraqis,'' a Foreign Office spokesman said. ''It is obvious from the events of yesterday (Thursday) that there is a certain amount of confusion.''

The handful of the 4,000 Britons who complied with the Iraqi order Thursday on the advice of the British Embassy found they were not expected at the luxury Regency Palace Hotel. No Iraqis were there to oversee their arrival and the hotel was not told they had been ordered to assemble there.

some of the 2,500 Americans in Kuwait, who were under a similar order, had a similar experience, the spokesman said.

Britain, which initially advised its citizens to obey the order, now is advising them to remain in their homes. The United States left the decision up to each individual.

Iraqi military authorities said Thursday the orders were issued ''to better protect'' the British and American communities, and warned if the Westerners did not go voluntarily, they would face ''unspecified difficulties,'' the Foreign Office said.

Foreign Minister of State William Waldegrave called the order ''a grave and sinister development.''

Iraqi's ambassador to London, Azmi Shariq al-Salihi, said Thursday the foreigners would be transported to Baghdad.

Iraq's ambassador to the United Nations, Abdul Amir al-Ambari, said, ''We are very anxious to secure the safety and integrity of all foreigners. They will not be put in a camp or something but will be put in hotels.''

While British officials were incensed by the Iraqis' order and statement, they, like their U.S. counterparts, have avoided applying the word ''hostages'' to their citizens who are trapped inside Iraq and Kuwait out of fears for their safety and of making them an issue in a peace settlement.

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#90229u0516 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis is NO closer to resolution, despite talks yesterday between President Bush and Jordan's King Hussein. Diplomats hoped Hussein brought with him a peace proposal from Iraq, but he said he did NOT. Hussein also said there is NO breakthrough in sight in the standoff. The United States last night ordered its naval forces in the Gulf region to block ships from reaching or leaving Iraq and Kuwait.

Japan's economy has been affected by the Persian Gulf conflict, and today the foreign minister left Tokyo on a Middle East tour to determine what Japan can do to help restore peace in the region. The Japanese foreign minister is said to be carrying personal messages from Prime Minister Kaifu to the leaders of Saudi Arabia, Oman , Jordan, Egypt and Turkey.

The Tokyo stock market took another drubbing today... primarily because of instability in the Middle East. The key Nikkei average of 225 shares lost more than 762 yen, or nearly three percent of its value, to close at 26-thousand-786 yen.

The latest round of Salvadoran peace talks begins today in Costa Rica, with the two sides hoping to reach agreement on a cease-fire by September. The major issue in the U-N-mediated talks is reform and reduction of the Salvadoran military. The government says it's ready to talk about possible civilian control of some militarized police forces.

Firefighters are nearing victory over wildfires that have burned nearly 800 square miles in seven Western states. In northern California, a 121-thousand-acre fire was contained last night, as was a 23-thousand-acre blaze in the Lassen National Forest. Firefighters also gained ground on several fires in Oregon, as well as blazes in Idaho, Arizona, Montana and Washington.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - ALCOA's president clashed with environmentalists yesterday at a Washington news conference on toxic pollutants. The National Wildlife Federation told the conference that corporations have used creative accounting tricks to report ''phantom'' reductions in the release of pollutants. Companies cited in the report included the Aluminum Company of America.

ALCOA President Paul O'Neill was present at the news conference, and he jumped up and accused the environmental group of a ''malicious'' and ''scurrilous attack.'' He said the report UNfairly misrepresented his company's performance and stalked out of the room.

The jury in New York City's Central Park jogger rape trial resumes deliberations for the eighth day this morning. Yesterday, the panel gave defendants cause for hope when it asked to re-hear testimony from one of the three defendants' parents. Jurors focused on what happened in a police precinct where defense lawyers say their clients were tricked into confessing.

A consumer group says doctors overcharged Medicare patients more than two-BILLION dollars in 1988... increasing medical bills of the elderly and disabled by an average 27 percent. The group Citizen Action issued a report titled ''Doctors Profiteering from Seniors.'' The NON-profit group calls for new laws to prevent doctors from charging Medicare patients more than the program allows.

The San Francisco Chronicle says the Reverend Sun Myung Moon told a religious conference he is the messiah. Moon spoke yesterday to 500 participants of his church-sponsored Assembly of World Religions. He said the world needs to find its ''true parent,'' and he said he is that messiah. Moon is the Korean-born founder of the Unification Church.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange plunged Friday due in part to investor disappointment about unfruitful talks between U.S. Predident George Bush and Jordon's King Hussein aimed at finding a peaceful

solution to the Middle East crisis.

Trading remained thin as major market players avoided locking themselves into stock positions ahead of the weekend in view of continuing Middle East instability, analysts said.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues lost 762.72 points, or 2.8 percent of its value, to close at 26,786.72. The Nikkei, widely seen as the market's main barometer, lost 562.68 points Thursday.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Price Index, a measure of all major shares, shed 34.06 points to close at 2,033.30. TOPIX lost 32.13 points Thursday. Declines hammered advances 861 to 115, while 105 issues remained unchanged.

Volume continued to be light as an estimated 300 million shares changed hands, compared with 306 million shares Thursday.

In addition to Middle East worries, the prospect of higher interest rates in Japan and a recession in the United States added to investor gloom, analysts said.

Small-lot selling by investors and arbitrageurs found almost no buyers in the morning session, driving the Nikkei down by 870.59 points.

But in the afternoon, the Nikkei recovered nearly 300 points as bargain hunting set in. Thereafter, it seesawed between arbitrage selling and bargain buying, analysts said.

Richman said that although bargain-hunters purchased stocks from arbitrageurs in the spot market, the gap between the asked and real value of futures increased to nearly 400 points by the close.

That points the way to heavy selling when the market reopens Monday, Richman said.

Trading was dampened by disappointment over the outcome of President Bush's meeting with King Hussein of Jordan, market watchers said.

The market shot up 1,440 points Wednesday on expectations that King Hussein would deliver a letter containing a peace overture from Saddam Hussein of Iraq.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices took a nosedive in light trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in reaction to global stock market declines.

Activity was concentrated in the leading blue-chip issues as sixteen of the top 20 most active issues were blue chips.

The Hang Seng Index plummeted 60.65 points to end the day at 3,122.64. The drop followed a rise of 5.02 points Thursday and gave the market a 43.67-point gain for the week.

Among the narrower indexes, financials lost 29.26 points, utilities fell 81.45, Industrials lost 55.02 and properties plunged 108.81 points.

Volume remained light as an estimated 1.12 billion shares changed hands, up slightly from the 1.06 billion shares Thursday.

Stocks opened broadly lower, at the sound of the opening bell, heavy selling wiped more than 80 points off the market in the first 15 minutes of action.

Midmorning bargain-hunting lacked the conviction to erase the substantial early gains, analysts said. The morning session closed off 65.06 points.

Mild buying spilled over into the afternoon session, allowing the market to recover an additional five points.

In Singapore, stock prices closed lower in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange with most institutional investors remaining on the sidelines.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which eased 1.04 points Thursday, dipped 15.23 points to 1,314.13. The narrower All Singapore Index dipped 4.64 points to 377.52.

An estimated 57.5 million shares changed hands, compared with 71.1 million shares Thursday.

Analysts said small investors dominated trading.

On the trading floor, Jurong Shipyard paced the declining issues followed by Sungei Way and Shangri-la Hotel.

Polytek paced the advancing issues followed by Pan Malayan Rubber and Haw Par.

Elsewhere around the region, in Taipei, stock prices on the Taiwan Stock Exchange plunged on renewed concern over higher oil prices.

The market's leading barometer, the Weighted Index, which climbed 54.79 points Thursday, plunged 292.72 points or 6.8 percent to 4,010.56.

Declines widely outpaced advances 207 to only five.

The market opened sharply lower amid selling that snowballed, local

analysts said.

Prices fell as local investors worried that Taiwan, which currently imports 33 percent of its oil from Saudi Arabia, may have a shortage of oil in the near term.

In Bangkok, stocks closed lower on the Thailand Stock Exchange in line with falls around the region.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand, or SET, Index, which gained 24.55 points Thursday, fell 13.38 points to 920.75.

Declines overpowered advances 130 to 29.

An estimated 2.5 billion shares changed hands, compared with 4.1 billion shares Thursday.

''Investors and profit-takers were very nervous when Iraq tried to negotiate with Iran against the United States,'' said Somchai Phapaphasvivat, a stock analyst and government economic advisor.

''When the Dow Jones plunged 68 points Thursday it caused our share prices to fall when the market opened,'' Somchai added.

In Manila, stock prices on the Manila Stock Exchange closed lower in light trading amid renewed concerns over the Middle East.

The closely-watched Manila Composite Index slipped 9.26 points to end the week at 835.07.

Meanwhile in Seoul, stocks fell slightly for the fifth consecutive trading session on the Korean Stock Exchange.

The key Korean Composite Stock Price Index, which fell 7.27 points Thursday, slipped another 1.13 points to 623.90.

Traders said the market's current bearish mood is expected to continue in the wake of increasing tensions in the Middle East.

In Australia, stock prices closed sharply lower on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The key All Ordinaries Index, which slipped 4.1 points Thursday, fell 15.0 points to 1543.4.

Industrial issues, particularly the banks, bore the brunt of the selling.

The All Industrials Index fell 38.6 points to 2,299.5, while the All Resources Index added 1.0 point to 954.1.

Declines edged out advances, 151 to 144, while 197 stocks remained unchanged.

An estimated 100 million shares changed hands.

Brokers said Wall Street's fall, backgrounded by rising U.S. interest rates, spooked the industrial end of the market.

On the trading floor, in the banking sector, Westpac Bank fell 6 cents to $4.78, NAB Bank lost 8 cents to $6.62 and ANZ Bank fell 10 cents to $4.54.

Elsewhere around the floor, Adsteam fell 2 cents to $4.22, Elders-IXL eased 8 cents to $1.65 and Pacific Dunlop lost 7 cents to $4.90.

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TOKYO (AUG. 17) UPI - Private-sector orders for machinery received by Japanese manufacturers in June totaled $5.66 billion, down 12.7 percent from May and down 5.4 percent from a year ago, the Economic Planning Agency reported Friday.

The agency said the figures excluded orders for vessels and those from the electric power industry, both of which it indicated tend to fluctuate widely.

Private-sector machinery orders serve as a leading indicator of corporate capital investment, the agency said.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (AUG. 17) UPI - A mother allegedly used her 7-year-old daughter and 8-year-old son to help burglarize homes so she could trade the stolen items for crack cocaine, police say.

Bernice German, 29, reportedly designated her daughter as the lookout while her son crawled through windows to help German cart away the loot, according to police investigators.

The children were rewarded with ice cream and other goodies taken from the homes, which they ate while their mother bartered her booty to obtain more crack, family members say.

''We just tried to get help for us to get food,'' a girl who identified herself as German's daughter told the Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel Thursday. The girl, who will start first grade in the next few weeks, said

she did not like to steal ''because it was bad.''

''I just want my mama to get out (of jail),'' the child said.

German was arrested Wednesday on charges of burglary and larceny. The children were turned over to their grandmother.

The mother could be charged with using her children to commit crimes.

Investigators are still trying to link German, who was on probation at the time of her arrest for grand theft and two counts of burglary, to other burglaries in the Fort Lauderdale area. She remained in jail Friday with bond set at $6,000.

The state Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services has been asked to investigate the care the children have been receiving.

German's niece, Sarah, 19, who lives with the family, described the children as typical despite the stealing sprees with their mother.

The family would go to the beach and movies when Bernice German was not using drugs but about twice a week the trio would take a walk and break into nearby homes, said Sarah German.

''She came back with things she didn't leave here with. She came back with the kids, dropped them off and took the things somewhere else to sell,'' she said.

Bernice German and her children were caught at about 11:30 a.m. Tuesday after a neighbor called police to report that a little girl was standing outside the kitchen window of a neighborhood home taking filled bags as they were handed out to her, the police report said.

The plastic bags had been stuffed with children's clothing, chicken parts and other food, the report said.

''I stood outside and my brother and mother went inside,'' the girl said. ''The man came over and then we had to run. We left (the bags) there because we were going to get caught.''

The family scrambled over a fence, only to be caught by police.

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#90229u0589 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

SAVANNAH, GA (AUG. 17) UPI - A truck hauling missiles to an Army airfield overturned on Interstate 95 in a thunderstorm Thursday night but an Army spokesman said the weapons were not armed and there was no danger of

explosion.

Capt. Steve Hart refused comment Friday on reports the truck was hauling surface-to-air Stinger missiles for shipment to U.S. forces in the Middle East. He said the cargo was munitions but would not say what type or in what amount.

''A small amount of munitions carried on the vehicle were safely removed and never posed any threat of detonation,'' Hart said.

The driver, not yet identified, was treated at a hospital for minor injuries, including a fractured hand, Hart said.

Chatham County police said Army personnel told them the truck was carrying Stinger missiles. Martin Farmer, a dispatcher for the Georgia State Patrol said she did not know how many missiles were on the truck but said they lodged under the vehicle when it overturned.

Maj. Don Keeling said there was never any danger.

''We have done everything that is possible to transport these munitions in the safest manner we can. We are not going to transport live rounds anywhere at anytime,'' Keeling said.

Hart said the state patrol is investigating the accident, which occurred around 9 p.m. in a thunderstorm. He said the truck, a ''highly mobile multiple wheeled vehicle,'' or HUM-V, veered into the median and overturned in the southbound lane about 10 miles south of Savannah. No other vehicle was involved.

''We don't know what caused the accident,'' Farmer said.

The truck was in a convoy of about 20 trucks from nearby Fort Stewart, where some of the 24th (Mechanized) Infantry Division had left earlier for the Middle East. Hart said the convoy was enroute to Hunter Army Airfield in Savannah.

Traffic was closed one mile north and south of the accident for about two hours until the missiles were transferred to another vehicle and the truck righted and towed away.

Spectators were kept about 300 yards away from the overturned truck.

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#90229u0592 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - The Pentagon has given the O-K for U-S warships to stop commercial shipping to and from Iraq or Iraqi-controlled Kuwait. President

Bush says Jordan's King Hussein agreed to close the key port of Aqaba to Iraq to comply with the U-N-ordered embargo.

Some defense contractors and U-S military maintenance facilities are working overtime to prepare aircraft and other weapons for the buildup of U-S forces in Saudia Arabia. The Pentagon will send more than 100-thousand ground troops.

Tehran Radio says Iraq has accepted all of Iran's demands for settlement of their Persian Gulf war. However, Iranian President Rafsanjani adds Tehran still believes Iraqi troops should pull out of Kuwait.

Firefighters are close to victory over lightning-sparked wildfires in the West. Fire bosses say only one major blaze in California is expected to remain out of control beyond this weekend.

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African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela and South African Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok meet today in Soweto in a effort to end fierce fighting between rival black factions. More than 160 people have died in four days of violence.

The Israeli army reports Israeli soldiers today shot and killed two guerrillas in Israel's self-declared ''security zone'' in southern Lebanon. The report says NO Israeli soldiers were wounded in the incident.

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#90229u0611 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - Tight security surrounds today's peace talks between Salvadoran rebels and government representatives in neighboring Costa Rica. The major issue in the U-N-mediated talks is reform and reductions in the Salvadoran armed forces.

In Pakistan, thousands of banner-waving demonstrators jammed Islamabad today to mark the second anniversary of the death of President Mohammad Zia ul-Haq.. Zia died in the 1988 crash of a transport plane that may have been caused by sabotage.

West German Foreign Minister Genscher and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze met today in Moscow to discuss German unification and the Persian Gulf crisis. Genscher arrived in Moscow last night for a one-day visit.

Government scientists say five primary ''greenhouse'' gases in the atmosphere have increased modestly in the past four years. However, the key pollutant- carbon dioxide- is building up at an alarming rate.

Officials at the federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta say murder was the top cause of injury-type fatalities at the workplace among women between 1980 and 1985. The report says 950 women were slain during the five-year period.

A study published in a British medical journal reports promising results from an experimental transplant operation designed to free diabetics from insulin injections. More than 12-Million Americans suffer from diabetes.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) UPI - America's trade deficit, making its best showing in seven years, plummeted a surprising 34.7 percent in June to $5.07 billion on record exports, the Commerce Department said Friday.

Private economists had expected a trade shortfall of about $7 billion for the month, following the revised May deficit of $7.77 billion and the April shortfall of $7.30 billion.

Total exports climbed to $34.30 billion in June from $32.77 billion in May and imports dipped to $39.37 billion in June from $40.54 billion in May, according to the department's Census Bureau.

Analysts said the lower imports reflected sluggish consumer demand in a generally weak domestic economy.

A Commerce Department spokesman said the June deficit was the lowest since $4 billion in June 1983, and that exports of aircraft added nearly $500 million to the total export figure for the month.

The increase in exports also reflected gains in consumer goods and foods feeds and beverages, while the drop in imports reflected declines in industrial supplies, consumer goods and cars, trucks and vans.

The data, adjusted for seasonal factors, were compiled before the start of the latest hostilities in the Middle East and do not reflect the worldwide trade embargo against Iraq and Iraqi occuiped Kuwait.

On the oil front, where America depends heavily on foreign crude, imports fell 14.6 percent in June to an unadjusted $3.69 billion - or an estimated 252 million barrels, the Commerce Department said.

Trade with the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries fell to $1.18

billion in June from $1.71 billion in May, but the deficit with Japan increased to $3.07 billion in June from $2.97 billion in May.

The United States, meanwhile, ran a $806.2 million trade surplus with Western Europe in June, off from $811.2 million in May, and a $317.8 billion June surplus with the rebuilding nations of Eastern Europe vs. a $291.3 billion surplus in May, the department said.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - President Bush says he believes his talks yesterday with King Hussein narrowed the differences between the United States and Jordan over the Middle East crisis. Jordan had allowed limited shipments of food and other materials to Iraq through its port of Aqaba , but Bush says Hussein agreed to close that supply line to Iraq and comply with U-N-mandated sanctions.

Iraqi military authorities say the rounding up of Britons and Americans in Kuwait is to ensure the safety of foreigners. But British Foreign Office spokesman William Waldegrave calls it a ''grave and sinister development.'' British and U-S officials say Iraq ordered four-thousand Britons and 25-hundred Americans in Kuwait to gather in hotels.

A federal jury resumes deliberations today in the trial of three former Northwest Airlines pilots accused of flying under the influence of alcohol. The panel began deliberations yesterday in Minneapolis after hearing instructions from the judge. Defense attorneys say their clients were NOT impaired during the March 8th flight.

New York producer Cameron Mackintosh is considering whether to re-instate the Broadway production of the London hit musical ''Miss Saigon''... now that the Actor's Equity union reversed itself. The union voted yesterday to allow English actor Jonathan Pryce to recreate his portrayal of a Eurasian in the drama.

Actor's Equity earlier barred Pryce from playing the role, and that prompted Mackintosh to cancel the show, originally scheduled to open on Broadway in April. Pryce is currently appearing in the London production of ''Miss Saigon.''

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Nearly three dozen Americans in Iraq have been moved to an undisclosed location, U.S. government sources said Friday, and President Bush said he had been informed that Japanese citizens in the occupied nation of Kuwait have been told they will be unable to leave.

In Washington, a State Department source said, ''We understand 35 Americans have been moved. We think we know where they are but we have not seen them. We have met with the Foreign Ministry in Baghdad and have insisted on access.''

Earlier Bush said he has received ''vague'' reports that a group of about 30 Americans would be moved.

''I talked to the situation room this morning and the Japanese were told that they cannot leave (Kuwait),'' Bush told reporters during an early morning round of golf at his seaside home at Kennebunkport, Maine.

Bush said he had no new information about the estimated 2,500 Americans who have been unable to leave Kuwait but said he received reports that the ''Iraqis were talking about moving 30 Americans someplace. ... It was a little vague.''

Asked if the reports were raising his concern about the safety of Americans stranded in Kuwait, Bush said, ''I don't think anyone should be moved against their will. It is a contravention of international law.''

In what British Foreign Officer Minister of State William Waldegrave called a ''grave and sinister development,'' British and U.S. officials said Thursday Iraq ordered 4,000 Britons and 2,500 Americans in Kuwait to assemble in hotels for possible internment in Iraq.

Also on Thursday, Japanese authorities reported Japanese businessmen were being refused permission to leave Iraq and Kuwait and Norway said Iraq has refused a request to permit Norwegian nationals to leave as well.

Iraqi military authorities said the order issued in Kuwait was to ensure the safety of the foreigners but the State Department reported there had been no signs U.S. citizens had been singled out for harassment.

Britain urged its citizens to comply with the order. The United States left the decision to each individual. Iraqi authorities had threatened to ''round up'' Americans if they failed to assemble at the hotel, U.S. officials said.

Earlier Thursday, Iraq allowed some 4,700 foreigners - a group that was mostly Egyptian but included two Americans, three Britons and a French citizen - to cross into Jordan. The Americans, who were not identified, were the first U.S. citizens to enter Jordan from Iraq since a group of 11 Americans arrived in the Jordanian capital of Amman Saturday.

In Washington, State Department officials said the Iraqi decision to collect all Americans in Kuwait and Iraq is an ominous sign that Iraq

intends to escalate the confrontation in gulf.

The development appeared to diminish any possibility of a diplomatic settlement of the crisis, said the officials, who declined to be identified.

Asked if detention under such conditions would make the Americans hostages State Department Spokesman Richard Boucher said, ''I'm not prepared to go into that debate'' over definition.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - President Bush has given orders for nearly 30 U-S warships in the Persian Gulf, the Gulf of Oman and the Red Sea to prevent ships from entering or leaving Iraq or Iraqi-controlled Kuwait. Washington is citing the U-N-mandated economic sanctions for its actions. But Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar says the U-S actions go beyond the sanctions authorized by the Security Council.

Japanese Foreign Minister Nakayama left Tokyo for the Persian Gulf today. Nakayama is carrying personal messages from Prime Minister Kaifu to the leaders of Saudi Arabia, Oman, Jordan, Egypt and Turkey. Because Japan imports much of its oil from the Middle East, the Japanese economy directly is especially sensitive to unrest in the oil-rich region.

Republican National Committee Chairman Lee Atwater appears to have taken a turn for the worse in his battle against a life-threatening brain tumor. Doctors say recent tests revealed the 39-year-old Atwater has suffered what they called a tumor progression.'' Atwater is under-going a new round of radiation treatment at a Washington hospital in an effort to stem the growth.

Black and white leaders in South Africa are meeting today to find a solution to black-on-black violence that has claimed more than 160 lives in four days. African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela will meet with the government Law and Order minister. Analysts blame the violence on tribal rivalries in advance of power-sharing talks between blacks and South Africa's white minority government.

Republican Senator Jesse Helms of North Carolina is firing new salvos in his bid for re-election against Democratic challenger Harvey Gantt. The new Helms ads say gay and lesbian political groups... the American Civil Liberties Union... and other liberal special interest groups from New York Washington, San Francisco are in North Carolina working for Gantt's election.

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SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 17) UPI - The commander of U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia said Thursday he had some measure of Iraq's ability to launch a chemical weapons attack and was ready to deal with it.

''We're prepared to handle the threat that we face in that regard,'' Lt. Gen. Charles Horner told a pool of reporters and photographers organized by the Defense Department.

''What we do is look at the numbers, what we know of their capability and then we prepare to respond to it,'' he said. ''As far as I'm concerned, we're prepared.''

Earlier, ground crew chiefs said Iraqi planes had flew in the past week when weapons radar on U.S. F-15 fighter planes locked onto them near the Saudi-Iraq border.

Horner said he would not talk about such encounters.

But the ground crew chiefs have said that pilots told them Iraqi planes on their own side of the border had turned and fled when weapons radar on U.S. F-15s on the Saudi side of the border locked onto them.

Warning systms tell pilots when another plane's weapon radar has locked onto them, ready to shoot if there is a confrontation between the two planes.

''There has been a little cat and mouse, but when the weapons lock on, they're gone,'' one crew chief had said.

Col. John McBroom, commander of the first tactical fighter wing, would not confirm the encounters but told reporters ''our radars can lock on at pretty good range. McBoom said later that none of the Iraqi planes have strayed across the border into Saudi Arabia.

''They have not come across the border,'' he said. ''They're being careful. Very careful.''

The hospital commander at the F-15 base said he was ready if Iraq launched a massive chemical weapons attack.

''Yeah, we could treat large numbers of chemical casualties and do so quite successfully,'' the commander said.

He said pilots or soldiers injured by nerve or mustard gas, despite the protection suits they would wear in a chemical attack, would go first to a decontamination unit for the chemicals to be washed off their bodies and

then would be admitted to the hospital.

When Gen. Horner was asked to confirm the fighter plane weapons radar incidents or any other encounters between U.S. and Iraq forces, he said he would not talk about such matters.

But he did confirm that U.S., Saudi and other forces had not yet reached agreement on a command structyure for coordinating the joint military build up to deter Iraq from invading Saudi Arabia.

However, he said a plan has been in place from the time U.S. forces began arriving last week on how they would cooperate with Saudi forces if Iraq attacked.

''Obviously we don't have the finished product (the command structure) yet '' he said ''but I can tell you from the first day we were here we said 'What are we going to do if they attack now?' and that's the way we have been structuring it every day.''

When asked if he or a Saudi general was in overall command, he said, ''We work together.''

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Engineers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, are to start processing data today from the Magellan probe orbiting Venus. The probe began bouncing radar beams off the planet's cloud-shrouded surface yesterday in critical tests to check out the craft's ability to photograph the hidden surface of Venus.

Health Secretary Louis Sullivan says the government's first community-based test of AIDS drugs will involve about 750 people nation-wide. He says the study will focus on 14 cities, and will try to find the best way to prevent a life-threatening brain infection that strikes AIDS patients.

In Oshkosh, Wisconsin, a woman who was diagnosed as having 18 personalities testified yesterday against the man accused of raping her. The woman and two of her personalities were sworn in. She claims one of her alternative selves was raped while another, a six-year-old, watched. The defendant... 29-year-old Mark Peterson... claims that the woman consented to have sex with him.

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INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 17) UPI - The American Legion has ordered an

investigation into allegations that a South Carolina post refused to admit a black veteran, triggering the resignations of six white members.

The Legion's national headquarters in Indianapolis said it assigned the investigation to South Carolina State Commander J. Norris Kinion, who said Thursday a committee he appointed will meet on Monday.

Legion officials said the South Carolina investigation was triggered by a heated debate over the application of a black Vietnam War veteran last month.

According to a transcript of the July 3 meeting, printed Thursday in The Florence (S.C.) Morning News, past post Commander William Leftridge demanded to know the applicant's race before voting whether to admit him.

''Who recruited this person? What color is he? This address is in a black neighborhood?'' Leftridge said.

''I don't want one (a black) in here. For 70 years, since the post has been chartered, there hasn't been one in there and I don't want to see it now,'' he said.

Post Commander Allen Stein reminded Leftridge it is against federal law to identify the race of the applicant. When Leftridge pursued the matter, First Vice Commander Ray Kinney challenged him.

''I signed him up. I still think this out of order. If you want to see if he is white, go out (in the outer hall) and look. Be a man and be a bigot and go out there and look.

''That man fought for his country - he didn't sit behind a bar,'' Kinney said.

''I don't care where he sat. I want to know what he is before I vote on him,'' Leftridge said. ''We're a private club. We can vote someone either in or out and we don't have to tell you any reason why.''

The group rejected the applicant. The Morning News reported that Kinney and as many as five other post members subsequently resigned.

''There was one color in the military and that is (Army) green,'' said Ken LeFevor, one of the members who resigned. ''I know we all shed the same color blood.''

A spokesman at Legion national headquarters said Thursday there have been instances of discrimination at Legion posts in years past.

''All were resolved when the post admitted it was wrong and corrected the

practice,'' said Lew Wood, director of public relations.

Wood said no post charters have been lifted for discrimination but a member was expelled because he wouldn't cooperate with national policy barring it.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - The U.S. dollar was sharply lower on major foreign currency markets Friday, hitting a record historic low against the German mark. Gold was sharply higher.

Analysts said the sharp falls were due to the poor outlook for the U.S. economy and uncertainty over the Middle East crisis.

The confusion over Iraq ordering all Britons and Americans in Kuwait to gather in hotels, raised fears of their internment and increased the risk of war, one analyst said.

''A worsening of the political situation would go against the dollar,'' said Rolf Sexauer of Deutsche Bank in Frankfurt.

In Europe, the dollar began the day in Frankfurt falling to a record low of 1.5495 German marks, down from 1.5618 marks on Thursday.

Optimism in the German government over the role and strength of the mark also helped pushed the dollar to the new low, analysts said.

In Zurich the dollar edged closer to the all time low of 1.2750. It opened at 1.2880 Swiss francs, down from 1.3015 on Thursday.

''So far it does not seem that the central banks are willing to intervene although there had been some expectations of action to try and stop the collapse,'' one Zurich trader said.

In London, the British pound climbed 1 1/2 cent to $1.9130 compared with $1.8980 Thursday.

The dollar also opened lower in Paris, Brussels and Milan.

In Paris, the dollar began the day at 5.2020 French francs, down from 5.2510, in Brussels the dollar opened at 31.92 Belgian francs, down from 32.15, and in Milan at 1139.50 Italian lire, down from 1150.90.

In earlier trading in Asia, the dollar dropped against the Japanese yen as concerns over the slowing U.S. economy occupied the market's attention in the absence of major developments in the Middle East crisis.

The Bank of Japan reported the dollar closed at 147.35 yen, down 0.55 from 147.90 yen on Thursday.

Foreign currency traders sold the dollar for the yen and major European currencies as they interpreted recent economic figures, including a higher consumer price index and lower housing starts, as signs of a slowing U.S. economy.

''Market players increasingly shifted their attention to the prospects for the U.S. economy and away from the Middle East situation,'' said Tsuyoshi Kojima, a Daiwa Bank currency dealer, ''The two incentives pulled the dollar in different directions.''

Elsewhere in Asia, the dollar fell in Hong Kong to 7.7708 Hong Kong dollars, down from 7.7715, and closed lower in Singapore at 1.7915 Singapore dollars, down from 1.7955 Thursday.

In early New York trading, the dollar was higher against key foreign currencies in active trading following a Commerce Department report showing the U.S. merchandise trade deficit in June narrowed to $5.07 billion from a revised $7.77 billion in May.

Traders quoted the dollar at 1.5548 German marks, up from 1.5525 Thursday, and at 147.85 Japanese yen, up from 147.25.

On the bullion markets, the price of gold leaped $12.50 an ounce as the Middle East crisis came no closer to a resolution and dealers invested in the precious metal as a safe haven, analysts said.

Gold, which opened at $414 an ounce in London, up from $401.50 at the close on Thursday, has risen $35.25 an ounce since the Iraqis invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

Analysts said they expected the price to rise even higher the longer the crisis remains unresolved.

''Fears of a worsening tension in the Gulf, dollar weakness and higher oil prices combine to cause heavy demand for the precious metals sector,'' said a bullion trader for Shearson, Lehman and Hutton.

Gold opened $9.50 an ounce higher in Zurich at $412.50 and opened $12.50 higher in London at $414.

The London morning gold fixing was $410.50, up $9 from Thursday's close.

In earlier trading in Asia, gold closed at $412.75 on the Hong Kong Bullion Exchange, up $10.30 from Thursday's close.

Silver opened 15 cents higher in Zurich at $5.25 an ounce and opened 12 cents higher in London at $5.24 an ounce.

In early trading on New York's Comex, a 100-troy-ounce gold futures contract for August delivery opened at $412.40, up $3.20 from Thursday's close. A 5,000-troy-ounce silver futures contract opened at $5.268, up 10 cents an ounce.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $408.50, silver base of $5.19 and platinum price of $503.50:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$425.20	418.80
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	218.00	214.70
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	111.90	110.30
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	46.20	45.50
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	425.20	418.80
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	218.00	214.70
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	111.90	110.80
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	46.20	45.50
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	432.10	425.60
China Panda .50 troy oz.	222.60	219.20
China Panda .25 troy oz.	115.50	113.70
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	49.90	49.10
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	29.80	29.30
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	425.10	418.80
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	217.30	214.10
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	109.70	108.00
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	47.10	46.50
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	423.80	417.40
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	219.10	215.80
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	112.40	110.80
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	47.70	47.00
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	423.70	417.30
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	217.90	214.60
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	92.20	90.90
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	48.30	47.60
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.40	24.10

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver

U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.59	$6.51
90 percent silver bags $1,000		

face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,720	$3,660
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,600	$1,575

Platinum

Australian Koala	528.00	521.00
Isle of Man Noble	517.00	509.00
Canada Maple Leaf	534.00	526.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90229u0859 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - The situation in Kuwait has taken a turn for the worst as nearly three dozen Americans stranded in the country during the Iraqi invasion have been forced to move to an undisclosed location. A State Department source says American diplomats in Kuwait think they know where the group is, but so far have failed to gain access to it. Earlier, President Bush received ''vague'' reports that about 30 Japanese were told they could NOT leave either.

The forced move follows an Iraqi order yesterday that some four-thousand Britons and 25-hundred Americans in Kuwait assemble at hotels for possible internment in Iraq. Iraqi military authorities said the order was to ensure the safety of foreigners. While Britain urged its citizens to comply with the order, U-S officials left the decision to each individual. Iraqi authorities had threatened to ''round up'' Americans if they failed to assemble at the hotel, but NO such action has been taken.

A truck hauling Army missiles lost its cargo on a Georgia highway in a storm last night. Army officials say the weapons were NOT armed and there never an explosion. Army officials refused comment on reports that the truck carried surface-to-air ''Stinger'' missiles to be shipped to U-S forces in the Mideast. But Chatman County police say Army personnel told them the truck carried the missiles. Police say the truck veered into the median and overturned on Interstate 95, about 10 miles south of Savannah.

The Commerce Department reports that the trade deficit shrunk a surprising 34-point-seven percent, to about five-BILLION dollars in June... its best showing since December 1983. Private economists had expected a trade shortfall of about seven-BILLION dollars for the month, but total exports climbed to about 34-BILLION dollars and imports dipped to about 39-BILLION. Analysts say the lower imports reflect sluggish consumer

demand in a generally weak domestic economy.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Police say a Fort Lauderdale mother allegedly used her seven-year-old daughter and eight-year-old son to burglarize homes so she could trade stolen goods for drugs. Florida authorities say Bernice German allegedly made her daughter the lookout as her son crawled through windows and helped German cart away the loot. Police say the children received ice cream and other foods taken from the homes while German reportedly traded stolen goods for crack cocaine.

A Washington Times report says D-C Mayor Marion Barry may face drug charges in the Virgin Islands, where jurors may be less influenced by his history as mayor. The paper says federal officials are considering the Virgin Islands option instead of re-trying Barry in the nation's capital. Barry was convicted of one count of cocaine possession last week after a 10-week trial, but he was acquitted of 12 other drug and perjury charges.

Failed savings-and-loan executive Charles Keating has NOT complied with a federal order to turn over a list of his remaining assets. Officials say federal regulators may file a suit as early as today to force compliance. Keating's Lincoln Savings and Loan in California was seized by the government in April 1989.

The Federal Trade Commission is suing one of the nation's biggest coin dealers, accusing it of fraud in an alleged scheme to induce the purchase of coins ''at highly inflated prices.'' The suit filed in federal court in Los Angeles says the Hannes Tulving company of Newport Beach operated a scheme to defraud customers out of more than 40-Million dollars.

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#90229u0881 08/17/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (AUG. 17) UPI - Japan's Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama left for the Middle East Friday to inquire about a role for Japan in resolving the crisis gripping the region.

But he left behind him a furious debate within the Japanese government on what Japan can and should contribute to the forces confronting Iraq.

Nakayama's hastily scheduled nine-day trip to Egypt, Jordan, Oman, Saudi Arabia and Turkey replaces a long-planned tour of those nations by Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu.

Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait has especially high stakes for Japan, which imports more of its oil from the Middle East than any other

industrialized nation. In addition, like Western countries, Japan is worried about the fate of some 500 of its citizens who are trapped in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

But Japan has few diplomatic cards to play in the Middle East, analysts say, so little is expected to result from Nakayama's trip.

''They will just exchange information,'' predicted political scientist Yuzo Itagaki, a Middle East specialist at the University of Tokyo. ''I don't expect the Arabs to propose anything concrete.''

Having moved with uncharacteristic swiftness to join in U.S.-led sanctions against Iraq, Japan has little maneuvering room.

Checkbook diplomacy, which has made Japan the world's largest aid donor, will not defuse a crisis that has pitted Iraq's million-man army against a multinational force led by Americans.

The Japanese government is clearly aware of expectations it will pitch in, but is hampered by constitutional limitations.

''This is an unprecedented operation on our part. ... Please don't misunderstand that we are only thinking of money. We are trying to come up with something else,'' Taizo Watanabe, the Foreign Ministry's chief spokesman, said at a press conference following Nakayama's departure.

But beyond offering financial aid to the nations confronting Iraq, there is little Japan can do.

Its American-drafted constitution renounces war. In practice, this means Japan's formidable self-defense forces may not be deployed beyond her shores.

''Japan is really limited by that condition,'' Itagaki said.

But the government is debating whether to send non-combatant personnel to the international forces stationed in Saudi Arabia.

Sending minesweepers into the Persian Gulf is another possibility, Watanabe indicated, although Iraq is not believed to have sown mines there so far.

Offering financial aid to countries such as Egypt that are confronting Iraq, poses problems for the government.

With Japan's parliament out of session and funds entirely allocated for the year, any quick measures will have to come out of existing budgets, Watanabe indicated.

But under Japan's decentralized government system, there is no one to decide who should sacrifice. Fighting among ministries over their budgets threatens to hamper any aid plan.

The Foreign Ministry spokesman would only say that the goverment is working as fast as it can to come up with concrete measures.

If Japan does concoct a financial aid plan for the struggle against Iraq, America could be one of the beneficiaries.

On Thursday, a powerful Japanese politician suggested that in view of the Middle East crisis, the government should increase its share of costs for American troops stationed in Japan.

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MIAMI (AUG. 17) UPI - Pan Am reservations agents and other service workers held a work stoppage that one union representative said occurred because the company's latest contract offer was a ''piece of garbage.''

Thursday's work stoppage was conducted by reservation agents, cargo handlers and all clerical support employees represented by the Teamsters union. The stoppages occurred in the Florida cities of Miami, Orlando, Tampa, at Kennedy International Airport in New York and in Los Angeles, and was scheduled to continue until the employees' next shift.

The company presented the members with an offer on Sunday night and the membership voted on it on Monday, said Joyce Hardy, a representative of teamsters Local 769, which represents about 3,000 airline employees in Florida and Georgia.

''I presented it to the membership Monday and they said they did not want the piece of garbage,'' he said. ''We are all very loyal to Pan American, but Pan American has got to realize that we have had enough.''

A Pan Am spokeswoman said airline operations had not been significantly affected because supervisors had been called in to replace workers who had walked out.

''Basically, there has been a minimal disruption of service with flights departing on schedule or in some cases just after schedule,'' said airline spokeswoman Susan Timper. ''Management was readily available to fill in the positions and that's why there were no major disruptions.''

Hardy said that was not the case.

''Of course, they'll tell you it's business as usual over at the airport, but I was over there all afternoon and it's a mess,'' he said.

Neither Hardy or Timper could say how many employees had left their jobs on Thursday.

Pan Am workers first held a work stoppage last month and Hardy said they would continue until there is a ratified contract.

The Teamsters, which represents about 6,000 Pan Am reservations, passenger service and cargo agents and clerical workers, have been working under a company-imposed contract since Feb. 21, 1988.

Terms of that contract included an 8 percent pay cut and a lower wage scale for newly hired employees.

Although the union could strike under federal labor law, it so far has not done so.

Pan Am lost $336.6 million last year, and company executives say they expect additional losses for 1990. The airline increased its daily departures from Miami to 60 from 45 last winter, making it the largest carrier at Miami International Airport.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 17) UPI - City National Bank of Houston, one of the last banks spawned in the '80s era of free-flowing bank charters in Houston, has been closed by federal regulators and its deposits sold to Charter National Bank-Colonial.

The Thursday closure was the 72nd bank insolvency in Texas this year, and the 120th in the United States.

Charter will operate City National's two locations as branches, Charter Chairman Jerry Finger said. City National depositors can continue to conduct business during normal hours at the locations without interruption he said.

But officials said borrowers should check the status of their accounts because Charter will purchase only part of City National's loans. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. said it expects to keep about $37.1 million of the failed bank's $46.6 million in assets. The agency will try to sell those assets, which include loans, to investors.

Charter will pay FDIC a purchase premium of $238,000 for City National's $46.3 million in deposit accounts. City National had about 5,800 such

accounts, the FDIC said.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Hormel Geo A & Co (3rd Q 7-28)	
$654,743,000	$563,986,000
$12,628,000 (.16)	$14,326,000 (.18)
National Lampoon (2nd Q 6-30)	
$847,000	$983,100
d-$728,800	d-$432,300
d-Deficit.	
Storage Equities Inc (2nd Q 6-30)	
$7,978,500	$8,656,100
$2,460,700 (.22)	$2,417,400 (.22)
Wholesale Club (2nd Q 8-4)	
$177,281,000	$134,580,000
$558,000 (.07)	$1,262,000 (.15)

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(AUG. 17) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	83	62	.13
Anchorage cy	64	50	.03
Asheville pc	86	63	....
Atlanta pc	92	72	....
Baltimore pc	87	67	....
Billings ts	85	60	.01
Birmingham sy	98	71	....
Bismarck pc	81	57	....
Boston sy	87	71	....
Brownsville pc	93	77	....
Buffalo pc	85	68	....
Burlington Vt. sy	88	66	....
Charleston S.C.sh	91	74	.34
Charlotte pc	88	69	.44
Chicago pc	84	70	....
Cincinnati hz	86	71	....

Cleveland sy	87	69	....
Columbus Ohio pc	86	70	....
Dallas pc	97	76	....
Denver pc	85	56	....
Des Moines pc	91	71	.03
Detroit pc	85	68	....
Duluth pc	75	55	....
El Paso pc	88	65	....
Evansville pc	89	70	....
Fargo pc	80	57	....
Hartford sy	90	66	....
Honolulu sy	89	75	....
Houston pc	95	76	....
Indianapolis cy	83	71	....
Jackson Miss. pc	97	72	....
Jacksonville ts	92	72	....
Knss Cty sy	93c	83	66 ....
Louisville pc	89	72	....
Memphis pc	96	77	....
Miami Beach pc	91	79	....
Milwaukee ts	81	66	....
Minneapolis sh	84	68	....
Nashville pc	92	72	....
New Orleans sy	96	74	....
New York sy	89	72	....
Oklahoma City sy	94	74	....
Omaha pc	91	73	....
Orlando pc	93	74	.08
Philadelphia hz	89	70	....
Phoenix sy	103	79	....
Pittsburgh pc	87	68	....
Portland Me. sy	85	63	....
Portland Ore. sh	74	58	.01
Providence sy	87	68	....
Richmond pc	88	69	....
St. Louis sy	92	75	.50
Salt Lake City pc	85	62	.23
San Antonio pc	94	75	....
San Diego pc	80	67	....
San Francisco pc	69	57	....
San Juan pc	89	77	....
Seattle sh	72	55	....
Spokane pc	78	55	....
Tampa pc	91	75	.01
Washington pc	88	72	....
Wichita sy	98	75	....

c-clear

cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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LONDON (AUG. 17) UPI - An RAF fighter plunged into the North Sea, killing two British airmen two days after two others collided in the same area, killing three of four men aboard the planes, the Royal Air Force said Friday.

The Tornado crashed Thursday night in the Humber estuary, about 200 miles northeast of London, a spokesman said.

The bodies of Group Captain William Green, 43, of northern England, and Squadron Leader Neil Anderson, 36, of Scotland, were not immediately recovered but the RAF said they were presumed dead.

The crash, which occurred during routine night training exercises, brought to 20 the number of Tornados - arrow-shaped, two-seater jet fighters - lost in British airspace since 1983.

Leaders of the opposition Labor Party called for a moratorium on night training flights in the Humber estuary area.

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#90229u0985 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AUG. 17) UPI - A group of Twin Cities investors has reached a tentative agreement to acquire the Schmidt brewery in St. Paul.

Terms of the yet-to-be-completed deal with the plant's owner, G. Heileman Co. of La Crosse, Wis., were not revealed Thursday by representatives of the investors, Red Oak Investment Corp. and executives of locally-based Old Home Foods.

The Schmidt brewery closed July 3, putting about 200 employees out of work. The prospective new owners said they will have the right to brew and distribute the Grain Belt label, but not Schmidt beer. The plant also is expected to make a nonalcoholic beer and mineral water.

Financing for the sale, reportedly in the $4 million to $5 million range, had not yet been completed.

The plant is expected to start up with 50 to 75 employees. No date has been projected for reopening the brewery.

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#90229u0994 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

ST. PAUL, MINN. (AUG. 17) UPI - Northwest Airlines is suing the maker of a cockpit simulator in connection with the crash of an MD-80 jetliner in Detroit three years ago that killed 156 people.

In its suit filed in U.S. District Court in St. Paul recently, Northwest is seeking unspecified damages of more than $50,000 from CAE Electronics Ltd. of Quebec.

Northwest contends that the simulator's response to an emergency situation differed from the actual emergency that led to the fatal crash.

The suit alleges that the crew of Flight 255 from Detroit to Phoenix was misled during training into believing that an alarm light would show in an overhead cockpit panel if the ''central aural warning system'' was not functioning properly. Northwest alleges that an alarm light did not appear and so the crew was not aware that the warning system was not functioning.

Northwest contends the warning system's computerized voice would have alerted the crew that the lift-enhancing flaps and slats were improperly configured for takeoff. Unable to gain altitude, the plane struck an airport light pole and crashed immediately after takeoff.

Investigators determined the probable cause of the crash was the crew's failure to extend the flaps and slats.

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#90229u0995 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - State Department officials say about 35 Americans were removed from a Baghdad hotel against their will and that Japanese national are barred from leaving Iraq and Kuwait. A Bush administration official says the 35 Americans were moved to another hotel where British nationals are staying. Officials are trying to learn more about the fate of the Americans.

Federal investigators are questioning the dependability of Boeing-built cruise missiles. They have uncovered records that indicate the missile's guidance system failed during tests in 1987. The air-launched missile is a key element in the U-S nuclear arsenal and the guidance system allows the missile, when fired, to drop near the ground as it zeroes in on its target.

The government had good news about the nation's trade picture, announcing a nearly 35 percent drop in June red ink. The trade deficit fell to five-BILLION dollars on record exports of 34-point-three-BILLION dollars. Imports dipped to 39-point-three-BILLION, reflecting sluggish consumer demand in a generally weak domestic economy.

The New York Times says a federal prosecutor from New York is in Pennsylvania prosecuting a child molestation case against a man he believes is a suspect in the 1979 disappearance of Etan Patz. The Patz case drew national attention, symbolizing the issue of missing children, when the six-year-old boy disappeared from a SoHo street in Manhattan.

An American Legion committee has been appointed to investigate charges that a South Carolina post refused to admit a black veteran. South Carolina State Commander J. Norris Kinion says the committee begins its investigation on Monday. Legion national headquarters in Indianapolis says the veterans' group has a national policy against discrimination.

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#90229u1000 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 17) UPI - Grain and soybean futures were mostly lower at midmorning Friday on the Chicago Board of Trade, pressured by the weakness in the stock market and the weekend weather outlook.

Sharply lower stock prices contributed to the declines in corn and soybeans, along with predictions for warm and humid weather in the Corn Belt during the weekend. Forecasters called for the possibility of rain each day.

Commission houses and professionals dominated the selling across the floor although the market had recovered from the lows by midmorning. Some positioning was occurring ahead of the weekend.

Steady basis levels and light country movement limited the losses in both corn and soybeans.

Moderate losses in wheat were attributed to commercial selling and the lack of export business.

South Korea and the Philippines bought a small quantity of wheat,

otherwise the export markets were quiet.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.49 1/4 up 1/4;Dec 2.43 1/2 off 1; Mar 2.51 3/4 off 3/4.

Soybeans Aug 6.08 off 4 1/2; Sep 6.10 off 5 1/4; Nov 6.20 1/2 off 6 1/2; Jan 6.32 1/2 off 5 3/4.

Wheat Sep 2.82 1/2 off 2; Dec 2.96 3/4 off 2 1/2; Mar 3.06 1/2 off 2 1/2.

Oats Sep 1.16 off 2; Dec 1.28 1/2 off 1 1/4; Mar 1.39 off 1 1/2.

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#90229u1009 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - Government scientists say a new study confirms that carbon dioxide gases are accumulating twice as fast as during the 1950's and '60's. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration says the resulting ''greenhouse effect'' could increase temperatures by nearly four degrees Fahrenheit during the next 40 years, raise sea levels and alter climate patterns.

Authorities in Abbeville, Louisiana, are looking for suspects in the poisoning of several oak trees... including ones placed on a national tree register. A police spokesman says the culprit used a poison herbicide that has reached the vascular systems of some of the nine trees known to be poisoned and probably will kill them.

An Oregon timber industry group wants the government to block conservationists from holding a retreat in the Cascade Mountains. The Yellow Ribbon Coalition filed an appeal with the U-S Forest Service yesterday that charged this weekend's planned gathering by the Oregon Natural Resources Council poses a fire hazard in an area closed to commercial logging.

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#90229u1023 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 17) UPI - The United Auto Workers union has accused General Motors Corp. of stalling in negotiations for a new national labor pact to replace the one that expires Sept. 14, a bargaining bulletin issued to UAW members said.

The charge was made even as several thousand GM workers were heading back to the assembly lines Friday in the wake of a settlement of a week-long UAW walkout at a Michigan parts plant - which had in turn forced the shutdowns of a number of other GM plants.

''The union came to the subcommittees ready to reach some agreements, and with a few exceptions all we have received from the corporation is that 'We will get back to you,''' said the Aug. 10 issue of the UAW's FORWARD publication.

The publication also expressed optimism, however, saying there have been some ''bright spots'' in the talks, like on the issue of quality.

But it also said the giant carmaker has not presented any detailed proposals, and has yet to respond to the UAW on issues like outsourcing, or the practice of transferring work outside the company, usually to non-union concerns.

Outsourcing is a key issue in this summer talks between GM and the union, which is also negotiating new agreements with Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. covering nearly half-a-million U.S. auto workers.

This issue was at the heart of the week-long strike at GM's AC Rochester West parts plant in Flint, Mich., that shuttered numerous GM assembly plants and partially idled other components operations, affecting more than 20,000 workers.

GM spokesman Tom Pyden said several thousand more GM workers were expected to return to work Friday after Flint workers overwhelmingly approved a local agreement earlier this week, although on Thursday the carmaker was forced to close its Van Nuys, Calif., car plant because of the walkout, idling 3,500 workers.

Workers at GM's truck plants in Pontiac, Mich., Shreveport, La., and Fort Wayne, Ind., were expected to return to work Friday, Pyden said. Workers at Van Nuys and GM's light truck plant in Moraine, Ohio, were slated to return Monday.

GM was expected to resume normal operations by early next week, Pyden said.

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#90229u1043 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen r	1pm	56	14
Amsterdam pc	1pm	66	19
Ankara c	3pm	83	29
Athens c	2pm	90	32
Auckland c	12a	52	11

Beijing cy	8pm	81	27
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin ts	1pm	57	14
Bonn pc	1pm	66	19
Brussels pc	1pm	64	18
Cairo c	2pm	91	33
Casablanca c	12n	77	25
Copenhagen c	1pm	68	20
Dakar cy	12n	85	29
Dublin r	1pm	58	15
Geneva pc	1pm	71	22
Helsinki cy	2pm	72	22
Hong Kong pc	8pm	91	33
Jerusalem c	2pm	84	29
Karachi cy	5pm	86	30
Lisbon c	1pm	81	27
London pc	1pm	67	20
Madrid c	1pm	85	29
Malta c	1pm	-	-
Manila cy	8pm	79	26
Moscow pc	3pm	75	24
Nairobi cy	3pm	71	22
Nassau ts	7am	78	25
New Delhi c	6pm	93	34
Nice c	1pm	83	28
Oslo r	1pm	58	14
Paris pc	1pm	65	19
Pretoria pc	2pm	67	19
Riyadh	3pm	107	42
Rome pc	1pm	82	28
Seoul pc	9pm	81	27
Sofia c	2pm	86	30
Stockholm cy	1pm	65	18
Sydney c	10pm	50	10
Taipei r	8pm	83	28
Tokyo pc	9pm	84	29
Tunis c	1pm	89	32
Vienna cy	1pm	66	19
Warsaw pc	1pm	72	22

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	48	09
Caracas pc	8am	70	21
Havana c	7am	77	25
Lima cy	7am	59	15
Mexico City hz	6am	55	13
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	70	21
Santiago c	8am	34	01

Canada

Calgary ts	77	24
Edmonton cy	63	17
Montreal c	78	25
Ottawa pc	75	23
Regina pc	78	25
Toronto c	82	28
Vancouver cy	73	22
Winnipeg pc	80	26

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90229u1050 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 58-61.

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#90229u1052 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Friday it will auction $10.5 billion in 52-week bills next Thursday to raise about $1.2 billion in new cash for the government.

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#90229u1065 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 17) UPI - Ford Motor Co. said Friday it will idle its Mustang plant in Dearborn, Mich., for an additional week starting Monday, this time because of a shortage of engine parts.

The plant, which employs 2,100 hourly workers who build about 3,700 Mustangs a week, is already idled this week because of a shortage of dealer orders. It will be closed next week because of a lack of four-cylinder engine parts, a company spokeswoman said.

Earlier this week, Ford said it would idle car plants in Atlanta and Kansas City, Mo., the week of Aug. 20 because of a shortage of dealer orders, affecting 4,800 workers combined.

Ford's car plant in Lorain, Ohio, is also idled this week and next because of a shortage of interior parts for models with luxury trim. That plant employs about 2,700 workers.

Ford's Atlanta plant makes about 5,000 Taurus and Sable cars a week, while its Kansas City plant makes about 4,000 Tempo and Topaz cars a week. Its Lorain plant makes about 5,600 Thunderbird and Cougar cars each week.

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#90229u1079 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Ruddick Corp	..	.30	9-26	9-10
STOCK SPLIT				
Uno Restaurant	5-for-4			
INITIAL				
Wal-Mart Store	Q	.03 1/2	10-4	8-13
INCREASED				
BGS Systems Inc	Q	.15	10-3	9-19
USUAL				
Advest Group	Q	.04	9-17	8-31
Beneficial Corp	Q	.60	9-30	9-5
Brandon Systems	Q	.06	10-10	9-21
Champion Intl	Q	.27 1/2	10-10	9-17
Community Bk Sys	Q	.19	10-10	9-14
Continental Corp	Q	.65	9-15	9-4
Elco Industries	Q	.13	9-14	8-31
Family Dollar Strs	Q	.10	10-15	9-17
First Eastern	Q	.28	10-1	9-5
FirstFidelityBncp	Q	.30	10-1	8-31
First Finl Corp	Q	.16	9-30	9-14
HBO & Co	Q	.07 1/2	10-19	9-28

IMC Fertilizer	Q	.27	9-28	9-14
Independent Bkgrp	Q	.18	9-28	9-14
James River	Q	.15	10-31	10-17
Kimberly Clark	Q	.68	10-2	9-7
Longs Drug Stores	Q	.26	10-2	8-28
Marshall & IIsley	Q	.30	9-14	8-31
Montclair Bancorp	Q	.15	10-1	9-1
Ohio Casualty	Q	.58	9-10	9-1
Omnicom Group	Q	.27 1/2	10-5	9-14
PNC Financial	Q	.53	10-1	9-7
PacifiCorp	Q	.36	11-15	10-23
Provident Bkshrs	Q	.10	9-30	9-15
Scheilb (Earl) Inc	Q	.09	10-12	9-27
Society Corp	Q	.44	9-14	8-28
Springs Indus Cl-A	Q	.30	9-28	9-14
Sterling Bncp NY	Q	.05	9-30	9-15
Talley Industries	Q	.12 1/2	10-8	8-31
UBJ Finl Corp	Q	.29	11-1	10-4
Valley Forge Corp	Q	.07 1/2	9-18	9-7
Valspar Corp	Q	.13	10-12	9-28

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

-30- 2423

#90229u1134 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - A showdown may be brewing in the Middle East as an Iraqi cargo ship carrying food moves on course toward U-S warships ordered to intercept all ships headed for Iraq. The Iraqi vessel passed through the Suez Canal and it is NOT clear whether it will be intercepted by U-S naval forces. American ships enforcing a U-N-sanctioned trade embargo of Iraq were ordered by the Pentagon yesterday to board and search vessels headed for Iraq.

Britain's Royal Air Force says two British airmen were killed when a jet fighter plunged into the North Sea. The R-A-F Tornado crashed last night during routine training exercises about 200 miles northeast of London. In the same area two days ago, two jets collided and three men were killed.

U-S Agriculture Secretary Yeutter wants farm trade reform in the Uruguay Round of multi-national trade talks. In a speech to Hong Kong's American Chamber of Commerce, Yeutter said one of his principle objectives in the Uruguay Round... which ends in December... is to get the European Commmunity to drop huge agricultural subsidies that keep foreign competitors out of the European market.

Scattered showers and thunderstorms drifted through the Southern Plains today. Thunderstorms also battered parts of the Midwest and the Atlantic

coast. In Savannah, Georgia, heavy rains and winds overturned an Army truck convoy truck hauling ''Stinger'' missiles, apparently bound for shipment to the Middle East.

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#90229u1140 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (AUG. 17) UPI - Most people visiting a doctor would not relish being greeted by three large vultures. But that's just what is happening to patients at a west Houston medical building.

Two adult vultures took up residence at the West Houston Doctors' Center in early March, building a nest in a sheltered second-floor alcove. The adults - affectionately dubbed Becky and Bucky by building workers - were joined by a baby buzzard April 15.

Doctors and workers flocked to windows to watch the young buzzard hatch and grow later named it Benjy.

''I love 'em,'' said Dr. Scott Hume. ''I think they're great.''

The birds often rest in shade near the outpatient entrance but periodically peer into the dark glass building, flap their wings and make a commotion.

''I swear they like to show off,'' said office manager Pat Cromer. ''They know they're famous.''

Not everyone likes the buzzards. Some workers say the birds just don't project the correct image for a medical building or for the hospital next door.

But buzzards are protected by state and federal law and are not supposed to be hunted or harmed.

''They've been kind of intriguing,'' said Dr. Sol Hamburg. ''I actually wondered at first whether they were dangerous but, obviously, they're not. Now they're part of the scenery.''

Some workers feed the black birds with 5-foot wingspans but no one is sure why they decided to make the office building their home.

Despite their unpleasant habits - hissing, eating dead animals and regurgitating when upset - the birds have won over most observers.

''Just their presence, I think, is neat,'' said office coordinator Louise Hughens. ''I hope they stay a long time.''

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#90229u1149 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - The jury in its ninth day of deliberations in the Central Park jogger trial Friday reheard the testimony of a mother who claimed her son lied when he confessed to the rape and beating last year so he could go home with his parents.

As the video camera began recording at the police precinct, Linda McCray testified, her teenage son, Antron, gave a graphic account of the beating and gang-rape of the woman jogger in Central Park on April 19, 1989.

McCray, 16, Yusef Salaam, 16, and Raymond Santana, 15, are on trial on 13 criminal counts of being part of a gang of up to 30 youths who went 'wilding' - randomly robbing and beating people.

On the video, McCray admitted kicking the 30-year-old investment banker, hitting her with a metal pipe, holding her down while others raped her and then climbing on top of her and feigning intercourse.

''Were you shocked?'' asked Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer during her cross-examination at the trial in state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

''I know, I know myself he wouldn't do anything ... I know it was a lie,'' the mother replied in a choked voice.

''My husband said that the police told him if Antron tell them what they want to know and put himself in it, he go home. If he don't, he go to jail '' she added.

''Did you honestly believe that if Antron said, 'I held her down while four others raped her, I raped her, I beat her with a pipe,' did you honestly believe he would go home?'' Lederer asked incredulously.

''I believed what my husband said, that the police said he could go home '' the mother replied.

The one-hour readback of testimony came on the ninth day of deliberation in the trial which opened June 25.

As the jury deliberations stretched toward the weekend, the defendants and their families and supporters milled about with nearly 100 reporters in the dusty hallway outside the courtroom.

Many swarmed around Salaam's mother, Sharonne Salaam, who has been barred from the courtroom for an outburst in the presence of the jury, screaming that her son had passed a lie detector test, which is not admissible as

evidence in New York courts.

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#90229u1158 08/17/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 17) UPI - Cheap gasoline at a Savannah, Georgia, service station was gone in less than two hours. More than 200 motorists lined up to get in on the deal. Motorists began arriving at Poor Willie's gas station before dawn for a chance to buy gasoline at less than 44 cents a gallon. A car dealership picked up the tab in a promotion to get buyers to purchase more fuel-efficent cars.

An Ohio woman who showed solidarity to her union by turning down a foreign car as a prize on a lottery quiz show now has two new union-made vehicles to drive. Pamela Richards won national fame on August 4th when an ad agency for the Ohio Lottery Commission deleted a statement of union support she made while refusing a 17-thousand-dollar Honda. But a West Virginia auto dealer and the A-L-F C-I-O have since presented her with two union-made vehicles.

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#90229u1163 08/17/1990 ~United Press International
ATHENS, Greece (AUG. 17) UPI - Iraqi troops began withdrawing from Iranian territory early Friday and the first 1,000 Iranian prisoners of war arrived home hours later in events which may move the Persian Gulf war toward a formal close.

Iran also said it brought 1,000 Iraqi POWs to the border for release.

The Iraqi withdrawal and POW release were part of a surprise peace offer from Baghdad to longtime foe Iran this week. The moves appeared intended to nullify Iran if fighting breaks out between Iraq and U.S.-dominated foreign forces deployed in Saudi Arabia after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Tehran radio, in a dispatch monitored in Athens, said Iraqi forces began pulling out of Iranian territory in the central sector of the 750-mile Persian Gulf warfront.

The pullback began at 5 a.m. from the Meimak and Kalleh Qandi Heights near Mehran, some 350 miles southwest of Tehran, an Iranian radio reporter in the area said in a voice dispatch.

Hours later, ''the first batch of freed Iranian POWs arrived in the Iranian territory through the Khosrawi border point,'' Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency said. Khowrawi, on the Iran-Iraq border, lies about 360 miles southwest of Tehran.

Simultaneously with the Iraqi move, Tehran transferred the first batch of 1,000 Iraqi POWs to the border, Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman Morteza Sarmadi said.

The state-owned Iraqi News Agency said 1,000 Iranian POWs arrived at the border at 10 a.m. Baghdad time and were ''handed over immediately'' under Red Cross supervision.

At the headquarters of the International Committee of the Red Cross in Geneva, Switzerland, officials confirmed Iraq released 1,000 Iranians by land routes Friday morning and assembled 1,000 more for release Saturday.

The ICRC said Iran also transported an undetermined number of Iraqi POWs to the border for release Friday, but failed to respect Red Cross rules calling for all prisoners to be seen by ICRC delegates in advance to prevent anyone being sent home against their will.

ICRC spokesmen said Tehran promised to futurely respect the requireement for all Iraqi prisoners to first be seen by ICRC delegates.

The POWs released by Iraq were seen beforehand by ICRC delegates.

Iraq had offered to hand over 2,000 a day, but the Red Cross said Thursday it could only process 1,000 a day because it lacked facilities to handle more.

The troop pullback and POW exchange were seen as first steps in fulfilling a pledge by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to meet all Iranian demands in order to formally end the nearly eight-year war suspended in August 1988 by a U.N.-brokered cease-fire.

Iran's state radio played martial music to coincide with the arrival home of the POWs. Sarmadi said there were 55,000 Iranian POWs in Iraq, of whom 35,000 were registered with the International Committee of the Red Cross.

The Red Cross, however, indicated there are an estimated 30,000 Iranian prisoners in Iraq and more than 70,000 Iraqis held in Iran.

Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani described the returning POWs as heroes of the gulf war who would go down in Islamic history for keeping the faith during their long imprisonment.

The prisoner exchange took place under the supervision of officers of the U.N. military observers group, deployed in the area since the two sides agreed to the cease-fire.

''As a sign of jubilance, many streets in Tehran are decorated with

national flags,'' to welcome the prisoners home, IRNA said. Some of the POWs were held in Iraq since the beginning of the Persian Gulf War in September 1980.

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#90229u1192 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) UPI - President Bush is studying a Pentagon recommendation that he call up the military reserve and may activate a limited number in response to escalating tensions in the Persian Gulf, his spokesman said Friday.

If reserve forces are activated to back up U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, it will mark the first full-scale test of the post-Vietnam War restructuring of the American military.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater, in Kennebunkport, Maine, with the vacationing president, indicated that support personnel - such as medical personnel and cargo handlers - may be needed to help fill the ranks of the tens of thousands of Americans sent to the Persian Gulf in the past two weeks.

Fitzwater said he does not anticipate a ''massive call-up'' of reserves, contrary to earlier reports. ''We'll try to keep this as small as possible '' he said.

Bush discussed the possible activation of reserves during a briefing Wednesday at the Pentagon and received a formal recommendation from Defense Secretary Dick Cheney within the past two days, Fitzwater said. He said Bush is expected to make a decision soon, but offered no timetable.

When the United States shifted to a volunteer force at the end of the war in Southeast Asia - dropping the draft - much of the chore of supporting combat units was deliberately shifted to National Guard and reserve forces.

While sending a significant number of front-line combat units abroad for an extended stay might suggest reserve units associated with the combat troops must be called up to help with logistics, Maj. Doug Hart, a Pentagon spokesman on reserve issues, said that is not necessarily the case.

Pentagon officials have not publicly addressed how reserve units would be employed, it was expected there would be no widespread shipment of reserves to Saudi Arabia because the bulk of the work to be done was in the United States, filling in for the soldiers who shipped out.

After the draft ended in 1973, the military went to what is known as the ''Total Force Policy,'' the decision to concentrate on active combat

forces with the reserves and guard, which cost less to maintain, taking up the support chores. Presidential authority for call-ups without the permission of Congress at first was 50,000, but that was boosted to 100,000 in the early 1980s and to 200,000 a few years ago.

Although Hart said a call up was not a guaranteed necessity, retired Army Maj. Gen. Evan Hultman, executive director of the Reserve Officers Association of the United States, said a large, distant long-term build up could require reserves.

But retired Adm. Eugene Carroll, head of the Center for Defense Information, suggested the Pentagon was ''demonizing Saddam Hussein'' to build support for calling up reserves.

''We have 2.1 million people in uniform. If we can't meet our commitments to be wholly defensive in Saudi Arabia and deter an attack we'd best get some new military commanders and a secretary of defense. I think calling up the reserve or flying a trial balloon on it is to create public awareness and concern that this is a really dangerous situation ... and a hell of a good budget tool'' to get money from Congress, said Carroll.

In at least one service, the Air Force, reservists are an integral part of day-to-day operations. Reserve crews on days off from civilian jobs routinely fly cargo jets and tankers to haul gear about and provide inflight refueling to fighters, bombers, reconnaissance planes and the like. They already are heavily involved on a volunteer basis in the air bridge that has been set up to ferry men, weapons and warplanes to the region.

It was considered unlikely the full 200,000 would be called up, in part because by going on active duty reservists automatically draw full-time military pay which would further strain an already hard-pressed Pentagon budget.

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#90229u1205 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA (AUG. 17) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves None.

Hogs 1,000; butchers active, fully 1.00 higher; No 1-3 220-260 lb 58.00-58.25, 80 head 229-242 lb 58.50, other weights narrowly tested, few No 2-3 260-270 lb 57.00-57.50, 306 lb 53.50; sows under 500 lb steady to 50 higher; over 500 lb steady; No 1-3 350-500 lb 51.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 51.50.

Sheep None.

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#90229u1222 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (AUG. 17) UPI - Cross-Canadian rail traffic remained blocked for a second day Friday by two Indian blockades in northwestern Ontario, while Quebec Mohawks continued negotiations to end their own lengthy standoffs with police.

Spokesmen for the Long Lake Ojibwa band and the Pic Mobert Ojibwa band said they will not remove their blockades until Indian Affairs Minister Tom Siddon or his deputy minister meet them for face-to-face talks.

''We want them to come here and see the situation and talk to us like human beings,'' said Bernard Abraham of the Long Lake group. ''We don't want the federal government to ignore the situation like they did in Quebec.''

Federal government representatives sent to the scene Thursday were not senior enough to satisfy the band's demands, Abraham said.

Government spokesmen couldn't be reached for comment.

Abraham said the 500-member band wants its 1-square-mile reserve expanded, ''deplorable'' housing conditions improved and services upgraded.

Chief James Kwissiwa, head of the 300-person Pic Mobert band, echoed Abraham's demands and said homes are in such bad shape people would not be able to live in them another cold winter.

''We want the government to start treating us like Canadian citizens and not like we're in the Third World,'' Kwissiwa said.

Kwissiwa said the blockades had been planned ''for a long time'' but were put in effect because the bands saw the Quebec Mohawks forced the federal government into action with their own blockades.

Spokesmen for VIA Rail, Canada's passenger train service, and CP Rail and CN Rail, which handle freight, said east-west traffic has been suspended because of blockades by the two Ojibwa bands.

Monday, the Long Lake band blockaded a CN Rail line that passes through its reserve. CN Rail and VIA Rail rerouted their trains to a CP Rail line which was blockaded Thursday afternoon by the Pic Mobert band.

Ontario Provincial Police officers have visited the blockades but have not attempted to remove them.

Spokesmen for CN Rail and CP Rail said businesses and consumers would feel the effects of the blockades immediately. Both railways are considering trucking goods and using east-west rail routes in the United States.

VIA Rail spokesman Dianne Graham said the company has had to suspend its popular cross-country train called The Canadian.

''People come from around the world to ride The Canadian,'' Graham said.

Graham said during the summer months the train, which carries about 300 passengers, is fully booked for its three-times-a-week journey.

In Quebec meanwhile, Mohawks and their advisers resumed talks Friday with the Canadian and Quebec governments in an effort to find a solution to two standoffs in Oka and Chateauguay. Both sides have agreed to a news blackout.

In Oka, Indians erected barricades five months ago to block the expansion of a municipal golf course they claim is on tribal land. In Chateauguay, Indians blocked a bridge to show their support of the Oka group.

Police attempted to raid the Oka blockade July 11 but the action failed and left one officer dead. The Chateauguay blockade, meanwhile, has been the scene of several violent nightly clashes between residents and police.

Twenty-four international observers from Switzerland, France, Great Britain, Belgium and West Germany started monitoring the Mohawk blockades Wednesday.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Acme Elec (4th Q 6-30)	
$23,811,000	$24,104,000
$1,115,000 (.23)	$1,242,000 (.27)
Babbage Inc (2nd Q 8-4)	
$25,042,000	$16,902,000
d-$427,000	d-$493,000
d-Deficit.	
Bamberger Polymers (2nd Q 6-30)	
$43,998,000	$48,466,000

d-$517,000 d-$198,000
d-Deficit.

California Micro (4th Q 6-30)
$39,283,000 $38,333,000
$1,787,000 (.22) $1,524,000 (.19)

Canada Malting (2nd Q 6-30)
$108,990,000 $105,179,000
$6,593,000 (.55) $5,570,000 (.59)

Claire's Stores (2nd Q 8-4)
$55,210,000 $38,003,000
$3,415,000 (.17) $2,393,000 (.12)

Clothestime (2nd Q 7-28)
$56,975,000 $52,054,000
$1,464,000 (.11) $2,326,000 (.16)

Com Systems (2nd Q 6-30)
$36,944,000 $23,329,000
d-$583,000 d-$2,876,000
d-Deficit.

Dresser Indus (3rd Q 7-31)
$1,181,500,000 $1,004,100,000
$47,500,000 (.70) $42,400,000 (.62)

Gerber Scientific (1st Q 7-31)
$66,609,000 $74,670,000
$2,733,000 (.12) $7,721,000 (.32)

Longview Fibre (3rd Q 7-31)
$172,627,000 $177,849,000
$18,185,000 (.34) $18,097,000 (.33)

Pool Energy Svc (2nd Q 6-30)
$72,083,000 $57,478,000
$1,586,000 (.12) $1,090,000 (.08)

Slater Indus (2nd Q 6-30)
$97,221,000 $105,283,000
$559,000 (.06) $2,814,000 (.34)

Standex Intl (4th Q 6-30)
$117,878,000 $108,833,000
$6,594,000 (.66) $2,736,000 (.59)

System Software (3rd Q 7-31)
$30,277,000 $24,302,000
$4,513,000 (.38) $2,961,000 (.25)

Uni-Select (2nd Q 6-30)
$65,741,000 $49,226,000
$796,000 (.19) $731,000 (.18)

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MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AUG. 17) UPI - Environmentalists and government officials from throughout Central America gathered in Managua this week to formulate what is being called the region's largest-ever coordinated conservation plan.

The problems are the same, officials told United Press International Friday, but for the first time, coming up with solutions might be a little simpler.

''One of the main objectives is to combine preservation of the environment with all the new economic development,'' said Jorge Cabrera, a Guatemalan who is secretary-general of the Central American Commission on the Environment and Development.

The commission is faced with mounting pressure from the U.S. government to clean up the region's environmental policies, but is strapped by a lack of money, a general lack of concern by the people and industries of Central America as well as rapid industrialization.

The plan the officials are working out will be tied in to President Bush's ''debt for nature'' proposal to swap foreign debt for concrete measures to clean up the environment, said Leopoldo Herrera, director for environmental programs at the Salvadoran Foreign ministry.

In a debt-for-nature exchange, a conservation organization acquires commercial bank debt of a developing country, either by purchasing it at a substantial discount from the debt's face value or receiving it as a donation.

The organization then agrees to cancel the debt in return for the borrower country's commitment of additional resources to local conservation.

The first such exchange was initiated by Conservation International and the government of Bolivia in July 1987. Since then, debt-for-nature deals have followed in Ecuador, Costa Rica, the Philippines and Madagascar.

''In El Salvador, we are very interested in doing this,'' Herrera said,

adding that economic incentives were the best way to motivate the people into backing environmental reforms.

He said deforestation, the main environmental problem facing the region, ''is especially bad in El Salvador. We have too many people in too small a country.''

''There has never been a scientifically planned forest in Central America '' he said. ''Trees are just chopped down at whatever age. Deforestation is massive.''

Environmentalists believe deforestation of tropical rain forests contributes to global heating in the so-called greenhouse effect.

Central America is among the poorest regions of the world, and has been historically underdeveloped in relation to its northern neighbors. In late June, however, the presidents of the region heralded a new cooperation agreement signed in Antigua, Guatemala, as opening the door to rapid economic development on a regional basis and an inflow of international assistance.

Cabrera said he is hoping to tie in that new development with a regional environmental plan that will target new industry and promote self-policing policies.

Wednesday, members of the group signed an agreement that will coordinate legislative commissions on the environment in each of the respective countries. The aim of the pact is to work together on passing pollution control laws and other environmental regulations.

''Now we have the format to attack these problems,'' Cabrera said, adding that bringing the private sector into the cooperative agreements will now be a main focus.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) UPI - Republican Party chief Lee Atwater will undergo new radiation treatments for an undetermined length of time in an effort to attack additional problems with his brain tumor, aides said Friday.

A spokeswoman for the Republican National Committee said Atwater, who was at George Washington University Hospital, was "alert" and not in intensive care. She said the new radiation treatments would likely be "taking place every day until they (the doctors) see fit to stop it" and added that Atwater was "fighting with everything he's got."

Atwater underwent aggressive radiation treatment for the tumor in April and

in recent weeks doctors had said he was improving. The tumor was described as dying.

However, the RNC announced Thursday night that Atwater had begun new radiation treatments after it was discovered that the tumor had worsened. The new radiation treatments are not as aggressive as the April treatment, party aides said.

The statement Thursday from RNC Chief of Staff Mary Matalin did not describe the severity of the new problem for Atwater, noting only that a new biopsy "indicated tumor progression requiring additional treatment."

It quoted Atwater's doctors as saying the development was "concerning." "They are uncertain but hopeful of a positive response to the treatment," the statement said.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close
Aug. 16, 1990
Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	466.28	off 4.02	off 2.00
Growth & Income	722.56	off 4.67	off 1.58
Balanced	467.74	off 5.66	off 1.18
Average Fund Performances:			
Capital Appreciation (146)		off 5.03	off 1.64
Growth (261)		off 3.92	off 1.97
Small Co. Growth (83)		off 5.41	off 1.98
Growth & Income (199)		off 3.98	off 1.60
Equity Income (66)		off 5.95	off 1.34
Average 755 Equity		off 4.49	off 1.75
Health/Biotech (9)		up 9.70	up 0.40
Natural Resources (17)		up 4.64	up 0.77
Science & Technology (23)		up 2.10	off 3.10
Specialty/Misc (36)		off 4.44	off 1.83
Utility (15)		off 5.75	off 0.20
Financial Services (10)		off 12.68	off 2.14
Real Estate (6)		off 9.16	off 1.92
Option Income (10)		off 4.08	off 1.56
Global (40)		off 2.26	off 0.03
International (54)		off 1.58	up 0.41
European Region (17)		up 7.81	up 0.63
Pacific Region (18)		off 9.73	up 0.64
Gold Oriented (35)		off 2.78	up 8.13

Average All Equity (1045)		off	3.94	off	1.11
Flexible Portfolio (46)		off	2.23	off	1.07
Global Flexible Port (11)		off	1.17	up	0.30
Balanced (61)		off	2.21	off	1.14
Convertible Security (29)		off	2.54	off	0.82
Mixed Income (14)		off	1.45	off	0.54
Income (4)		off	1.37	up	0.27
World Income (42)		up	6.69	up	1.19
Fixed Income (534)		up	1.62	off	0.26
Average 1786 Funds		off	1.84	off	0.78
Median 1786 Funds		off	1.39	off	0.73
Unmanaged Market Indicators:					
DJ Industrial	2,681.44	off	2.61	off	2.81
S&P 500	332.39	off	5.95	off	2.22
S&P 400	392.42	off	2.74	off	2.19
NYSE Composite	182.73	off	6.31	off	1.89
Amex	336.83	off	10.89	off	1.37

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)
Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 17) UPI - U.S. prosecutors said Friday they will appeal a judge's ruling ordering the release of a Mexican doctor the judge said was illegally kidnapped from his homeland after his indictment in the Enrique Camarena murder.

In court documents, U.S. Attorney Lourdes Baird asked U.S. District Court Judge Edward Rafeedie to delay the implementation of his Aug. 10 decision ordering Dr. Humberto Alvarez Machain repatriated to Mexico.

Rafeedie agreed, ordering that the Guadalajara gynecologist remain in custody and set a bail hearing for Aug. 24.

The judge said the appeal would automatically supercede his order that Alvarez Machain be returned to his homeland because his arrest violated the extradition treaty between the United States and Mexico, which vigorously protested his abduction.

The order ''is not final if it's on appeal,'' Rafeedie said.

But the judge questioned prosecutors about whether a potentially lengthy

appeals process could violate the doctor's civil rights if he remains incarcerated.

''Suppose this appeal takes three or four years, which it could if it runs its full course?'' Rafeedie told Assistant U.S. Attorney William Fahey.

But Fahey said the government would pursue an expedited appeal.

Defense attorney Robert K. Steinberg said an appeal would take two years, ''and that certainly is cruel and unusual punishment for this man, which you have made a ruling on, to languish in a prison.''

Alvarez Machain, 43, was abducted from his Guadalajara office April 2 and turned over to U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration agents at an El Paso, Texas, airport.

According to the testimony of a DEA agent and an operative for the agency, senior DEA officials approved the abduction and more than $60,000 was paid to the Mexican nationals who carried it out.

The doctor is accused of administering drugs to Camarena while he was being tortured by his captors. The DEA agent was beaten and interrogated for more than 30 hours before being killed by drug traffickers, apparently in retribution for DEA raids on marijuana plantations.

The Mexican government, which has maintained that all those responsible for Camarena's murder have been prosecuted and imprisoned in Mexico, had applauded Rafeedie's order that Alvarez Machain be repatriated.

Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari had complained the abduction violated Mexico's sovereignty and a spokesman for Salinas last week welcomed the judge's order and said it would repair U.S.-Mexico relations.

In his precedent-setting decision, Rafeedie ruled that ''the United States violated its extradition treaty with Mexico when it unilaterally abducted'' Alvarez Machain.

Following an eight-week trial, four other men were convicted in late June and early this month of crimes stemmed from the Camarena murder. One of the defendants was prominent Mexican businessman Ruben Zuno Arce, the brother-in-law of former Mexican President Luis Echeverria.

Three other men were convicted after a 1988 trial in Los Angeles and dozens of others have been convicted in Mexico.

Alvarez Machain was indicted by a federal grand jury in Los Angeles on Jan. 31. The indictment said he went to a house owned by Mexican drug lord Rafael Caro Quintero where Camarena was being tortured and administered

drugs to the agent so he could be revived for further interrogation. He was charged with five felonies, including conspiracy and murder.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - A West German prosecutor reports that seven people were arrested for allegedly helping Iraq build poison gas installations. A senior prosecutor in Darmstadt reports that the suspects may have violated West German export laws by providing Iraq with sensitive technology. The prosecutors say one of the men arrested is a West German of Iraqi descent who once worked for a West German spy agency.

Iran reported today that Iraq began withdrawing its troops from Iranian territory, even as the first one-thousand Iranian prisoners were repatriated to their homeland. The action could mark the beginning of the formal close of the eight-year Persian Gulf War. Iraq proposed peace moves that Iran quickly accepted earlier this week.

NASA engineers are concerned because the Magellan spacecraft has stopped beaming signals to Earth. Magellan is on a mission to map the surface of the planet Venus. Engineers in Pasadena, California, hope the craft is in a computer-induced state of hibernation due to possible technical problems that emerged yesterday when Magellan's antenna was pointed away from Earth. NASA says Magellan is programmed to start searching for Earth if it receives NO signal for 18 hours, or later tonight.

Republican Senator Bob Packwood of Oregon walked out of a meeting with labor leaders yesterday. Packwood stormed out when one labor leader threatened to withdraw support if Packwood did NOT help cut rising gasoline prices. Officials of the Oregon State District Council of Carpenters told Packwood afterward that the group should NOT be held responsible for the comments of one man. But Packwood called the group's conduct ''ungentlemanly.''

The United Auto Workers accuses General Motors of stalling in talks for a new national labor contract to replace the one that expires next month. In a bulletin to U-A-W members, union officials say sub-committees are ready to reach some agreement, but G-M negotiators have been slow to respond. The union newsletter says the giant automaker has offered NO detailed proposals.

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KATMAI NATIONAL PARK, AK (AUG. 17) UPI - A tour bus slid off a gravel road and overturned in a remote national park, injuring 22 sightseers, the National Park Service said Friday.

Six seriously injured passengers were flown 300 miles to an Anchorage hospital for treatment of broken bones and internal injuries following Thursday's accident, park spokesman John Quinley said in Anchorage.

Six other passengers were treated for minor injuries in Naknek, a town near the wilderness park. Ten others were examined at the Naknek clinic.

Katmai National Park is so remote and undeveloped that the only access is by amphibious plane and getting stretcher cases out on floatplanes posed problems, Quinley said.

Katmai is known for its wild bears and a vast volcanic landscape left over from a huge 1912 eruption. Inside the park, there is a single gravel road from the Brooks Camp cabins and campground, where floatplanes drop off visitors, stretching 23 miles to the Valley of 10,000 Smokes.

A single bus, operated for the park service by a concessionaire, was half way to the volcanic valley Thursday when the driver stopped to let passengers look at scenery.

''The driver was pulling over to the side to stop to look at the view, and the bus went off the side of the road,'' Quinley said. ''It's not clear whether the road gave way or the driver got too close. The bus rolled on its side, did at least one complete revolution and landed on its tires.''

The accident occurred at 10:30 a.m. but because the bus radio was not working it took about 2 1/2 hours before park officials learned there had been an accident, Quinley said. He said the park service ''spent the rest of the day shuttling people to Brooks Camp and getting them on floatplanes. It took quite a while. ... A person on a stretcher fills up a floatplane pretty fast. It was quite an operation getting everyone out.''

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(AUG. 17) UPI - World relief groups in Seattle are preparing to send 92 tons of medical supplies to help Soviet children affected by the devastating 1986 Chernobyl nuclear disaster. The Lynnwood Rotary Club and the Children of Chernobyl Relief Fund organized the shipment. The supplies will be ferried to Kiev by a Soviet transport plane. They will be distributed to children's hospitals and cancer centers in the region.

Vietnam apparently is losing ground in its uphill battle to strengthen its economy. State-run radio reports that escalating inflation and a severe budget deficit may force small industries to cut back or close all together. The report did NOT give any figures, but business sources in Ho Chi Minh City say inflation has edged up from about 30 percent to 40

percent in the last eight months.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Stock prices plunged on major global stock exchanges Friday in nervous trading as tensions in the Middle East continued to dampen professional investor confidence.

The sell-off began in Japan, where stocks on the Tokyo Stock Exchange plummeted as investors showed disappointment about unfruitful talks between President Bush and Jordon's King Hussein aimed at finding a peaceful solution to the Middle East crisis, analysts said.

Investor tensions were also heightened when Saddam Hussein, through an intermediary, made a saber-rattling speech in which he spoke about Americans coming home from the Mideast in body bags.

Trading around the globe remained cautious as professional traders avoided locking themselves into stock positions ahead of the weekend in view of continuing Middle East instability.

In New York, stocks on the New York Stock Exchange fell in early afternoon trading, continuing to reel under pressure from the Middle East crisis.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which plunged 66.83 Thursday, was down 57.18 points to 2624.25 at 1 p.m. EDT.

Prices were moving lower in a slow and steady decline, said Trude Latimer, market analyst with Josephthal & Co.

In Tokyo, on the world's largest stock exchange, the blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues lost 762.72 points, or 2.8 percent of its value, to close at 26,786.72. The Nikkei, widely seen as the market's main barometer, lost 562.68 points Thursday.

In addition to Middle East worries, the prospect of higher interest rates in Japan and a recession in the United States added to investor gloom, analysts in Japan said.

In Europe, stocks plunged on the London International Stock Exchange as the Gulf crisis continued to totally demoralize investor confidence. Trading remained cautious.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 17.2 points Thursday, tumbled 45.2 points to 2,176.9. The narrower top 30 industrial average dropped 46.0 points to 1,678.9.

Analysts said the heightening of tensions in the Gulf sent stocks reeling.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange finished broadly lower. The closely watched German Stock Index tumbled 61.57 points to 1,665.88 - its lowest closing level since Dec. 21.

Stocks also ended broadly lower on the Paris Bourse in a continuation of the steep decline that chopped about 12 percent of the market's book value in the past two weeks.

The French CAC 40 Index fell 3.39 percent to 1,665.00 - its lowest closing level this year.

In Amsterdam, stocks tumbled across the board on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange as plunges on other markets reverberated through all major sectors of the Dutch market.

Earlier, stocks also took a nosedive in light trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as local investors concentrated in the leading blue-chip issues.

The Hong Kong's main market barometer, Hang Seng Index plummeted 60.65 points to 3,122.64.

''Following in the steps of the overseas markets, the Hong Kong market was down,'' said David Harman, senior manager with Morgan Grenfell, in Hong Kong. ''Despite this fall, there was certainly not an air of panic selling.

''We are seeing definite bargain hunting at the lower levels. Investors are willing to nibble a little bit to take advantage of the good value,'' Harman said.

''The volumes are still substantially lower than two or three weeks ago. There is a general reluctance to take part, apart from minimal bargain hunting when the market overextends itself on the downside,'' he added.

The selling wave also continued in Singapore, where stock prices fell on the Singapore Stock Exchange as most institutional investors remained sidelined. The Straits Times Industrial Index dipped 15.23 points to 1,314.13.

Analysts in Singapore said small investors dominated trading.

Elsewhere around the region, stocks on the Taiwan Stock Exchange plunged on renewed concern over higher oil prices.

The market's leading barometer, the Weighted Index plunged 292.72 points or 6.8 percent to 4,010.56 as declining issues widely outpaced advances

207 to only five.

Analysts in Taipei said the market opened sharply lower amid selling that snowballed, as local investors worried that Taiwan, which currently imports 33 percent of its oil from Saudi Arabia, may have a shortage of oil in the near term.

In Bangkok, stocks fell on the Thailand Stock Exchange in line with falls around the region. The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index fell slipped points to 920.75 as declines overpowered advances 130 to 29.

''Investors and profit-takers were very nervous when Iraq tried to negotiate with Iran against the United States,'' said Somchai Phapaphasvivat, a stock analyst and government economic advisor in Bangkok.

Stocks on the Manila Stock Exchange fell in light trading as the closely-watched Manila Composite Index slipped 9.26 points to 835.07.

Meanwhile in Seoul, stocks fell slightly for the fifth consecutive trading session on the Korean Stock Exchange. The key Korean Composite Stock Price Index eased 1.13 points to 623.90.

In Australia, stock prices fell sharply on the Sydney Sharemarket. The All Ordinaries Index dropped 15.0 points to 1543.4 as banking stocks bore the brunt of the selling in Australia.

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ATLANTIC CITY, NJ (AUG. 17) UPI - High-stakes developer Donald Trump was told Friday to wait a little longer to learn whether a plan to keep his debt-ridden casinos gets state approval or collapses like a house of cards.

The state Casino Control Commission said it will rule Tuesday on Trump's plan to meet interest payments on more than $1 billion of debt with a $65 million emergency loan.

If the commission rejects the plan, Trump will have to surrender his interest in his three casinos and could, his lawyers argue, be forced into bankruptcy.

A lawyer for Trump made a desperate appeal to the commission to approve the plan immediately, noting that any further delay could cause the deal Trump arranged with 70 banks to fall through.

But Acting Commission Chairwoman Valerie Armstrong said the issue was too important for a snap decision, especially in light of the fact that Trump paid about 1,000 people nearly $11 million to prepare the deal. She said

the commissioners needed more time to pore over the more than 1,000 pages of documents detailing the refinancing plan.

Trump, who sat glumly through most of the second day of hearings, appeared encouraged by the turn of events. He smiled and shook hands with casino executives as he left the hearing room trailed by more than a score of reporters and cameras. But he did not respond to questions from the media.

Earlier Friday, the state Division of Gaming Enforcement approved the bailout plan despite grave doubts that Trump will be able to pay his bills.

In its report to the commission on Thursday, the DGE expressed concern about whether Trump had the necessary cash flow to pay off his $3.2 billion debt, and noted that it was unlikely he could make a $47.3 million payment due Nov. 15 to the bondholders of his newly-opened Trump Taj Mahal Casino Resort.

If the commssion rejects the plan, it must seize Trump's casinos, appoint a conservator to operate them temporarily, then put them up for sale.

''There are no viable alternatives,'' said Thomas Auriemma, a deputy attorney general with the DGE. ''The commission reluctantly recommends approval.''

The DGE recommendation also included 13 conditions, all of which Trump's lawyers agreed to accept. Two key requirements are that Trump appear before the commission next month to explain how he plans to meet his November payment to bondholders, and how he will settle nearly $70 million in unpaid bills to contractors who worked on the Taj Mahal.

In pleading his case before the commission, Trump attorney Nicholas Ribis noted that Trump remains deeply committed to New Jersey and to turning around the fortunes of his casinos, which employ more than 15,000 people.

''Mr. Trump intends to stay in New Jersey and operate his three casino hotels,'' Ribis said. ''But he can not operate without the aid of this commission.''

Trump used his casinos, his luxury yacht, his personal airplane and real estate holdings in Manhattan as collateral in order to borrow the $65 million he needs to make interest payments.

But while Trump estimates his assets are worth a total of $4.6 billion, a report prepared by a New York accounting firm for Trump and his creditors estimated the assets could fetch no more than $3.6 billion if they had to be sold quickly.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) UPI - Florida State University beat prestigious Massachusetts Institute of Technology in a bid to house what is envisioned as the world's leading magnetic research laboratory, officials announced Friday.

The National Science Foundation picked the Tallahassee, Fla., location over the Cambridge, Mass., site for the National Magnetic Field Laboratory contrary to the recommendation of a scientific panel that studied the proposals.

Both proposals were strong, but the Florida site was chosen in part because of the state's pledge of long-term support, including money for 34 full-time faculty, 20 visiting faculty and other personnel, officials said.

''We are asking a lot of things in a proposal - the excellence of the science, the capability of the institution, the participation of the institution, the people that are involved in it and so forth,'' said National Science Foundation director Erich Bloch at a news conference.

The foundation hopes to spend at least $60 million over five years to establish the world's most advanced facility to pioneer the use of strong magnetic fields for a wide range of scientific research.

The lab is expected to lead to major new discoveries by using strong magnetic fields to conduct research in such diverse fields as biology, chemistry and materials research. Strong magnetic fields can be used to create images of very small objects, which scientists can use for research.

Florida officials hailed Friday's decision, while their Massachusetts counterparts condemned the move and called on the science foundation to reconsider its action.

''This puts us in the major leagues to stay. This demonstrates that the scientists and engineers in our universities can compete with the best in the world,'' said Charles Reed, chancellor of the Florida state university system.

''This is fantastic news for all of Florida,'' added Florida Gov. Bob Martinez.

The government-funded foundation will spend $6 million in the current fiscal year to begin construction of the facility, plans to spend another $12 million the next year and a total of about $60 million over five years.

The state of Florida has pledged another $58 million over five years for the facility, which will be run by the Florida State University, the

University of Florida and the Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico.

But Paul Gray, president of MIT, expressed dismay that the science foundation ignored the advice of its scientific advisors, who he said concluded that MIT had facilities, staff and experience that were superior to Florida State. MIT currently houses the Francis Bitter Magnet Laboratory.

The MIT proposal was made with Boston, Harvard, Tufts, Brandeis and Northeastern universities in Massachusetts.

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CINCINNATI (AUG. 17) UPI - Homosexual activists say they will protest on the steps of the Hamilton County Courthouse next month when the Contemporary Arts Center goes on trial for showing allegedly obscene photographs by Robert Mapplethorpe.

''We're angry at the current attacks on freedom of expression,'' protest spokesman Mike Chanak said Friday. ''It's not just gays and lesbians that are under attack.''

The arts center displayed an exhibit by the late Mapplethorpe that opened April 7. A Hamilton County grand jury indicted the center and its director Dennis Barrie, on misdemeanor obscenity charges based on five photos of homoerotic acts and two of nude children.

The trial is scheduled to begin Sept. 24.

Chanak said the demonstration is sponsored by the Gay-Lesbian March Activists and the local chapter of ACT UP, the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power.

The organizations have notified ACT UP chapters and artists across the country about the event, said Chanak, spokesman for the Greater Cincinnati Gay and Lesbian Coalition. He expects a good turnout, ''maybe even a couple thousand.''

In Boston last month, homosexual activists chanting ''We're here, we're queer, we'll never be silent again,'' forced the closing of a private showing of Mapplethorpe photos at the Institute of Contemporary Arts. The group said it was protesting recent incidents of gay-bashing in Boston and other forms of discrimination against homosexual men and women.

Although the Cincinnati protesters are billing the event as a critique of arts censorship, Chanak said the Mapplethorpe case is also about ''homophobic intimidation.''

The uproar ''reflects both homophobia and racism,'' he said, noting that many Mapplethorpe photos show black and white men together.

A majority of Cincinnatians polled on their views about the Mapplethorpe exhibit said they supported it, which casts doubt on Cincinnati's reputation as a conservative town on moral issues, Chanak said.

The show closed May 26, after attracting 79,893 visitors, the highest number ever to view a CAC exhibit.

''There's the prim and proper Hamilton County that (Sheriff) Simon Leis purports to represent,'' he said. ''But then as you get to know the community you find this town is as open as any other town.''

Chanak said arts groups risk losing money from the National Endowment for the Arts because of the Mapplethorpe controversy and other NEA-funded exhibits that North Carolina Sen. Jesse Helms and others in Congress decry as obscene.

Helms and others want to ''sanitize'' art and ''think for others,'' Chanak said.

A hearing on motions in the trial is set for 10:30 a.m. Monday before Hamilton County Municipal Judge F. David Albanese.

Prosecutors want to limit the scope of the trial to the seven photos named in the indictment. The defendants say the controversial photos should be viewed in the context of the entire 175-photo show as representing a single work of art.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 17) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	78.37	78.40	77.77	77.90	78.47
Oct	77.75	77.75	77.22	77.35	77.92
Dec	76.30	76.35	75.75	75.95	76.52
Feb	75.97	75.97	75.80	75.55	76.07
Apr	76.45	76.45	76.00	76.05	76.52
Jun	74.32	74.32	73.95	73.95	74.42
Aug	73.00	73.15	72.90	72.90	73.10

Est. sales 11,648 contracts; Thursday 7,060; open interest 67,726 off 143.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug 89.97 89.97 89.60 89.65 89.97
Sep 88.00 88.00 87.40 87.55 88.10
Oct 86.70 86.70 85.85 86.00 86.67
Nov 86.35 86.35 85.85 85.90 86.47
Jan 85.85 85.85 85.25 85.60 85.95
Mar 84.40 84.40 84.20 84.20 84.65
Apr 83.75 83.75 83.55 83.55 84.00
May 82.95 83.10 82.85 83.00 83.00

Est. sales 1,553 contracts; Thursday 815; open interest 11,681 up 17.
Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
Aug 57.75 57.75 57.40 57.52 57.57
Oct 49.85 49.85 49.15 49.42 49.85
Dec 50.10 50.22 49.80 50.10 50.10
Feb 48.35 48.35 47.55 47.95 48.25
Apr 44.35 44.55 43.97 44.02 44.37
Jun 48.75 48.85 48.40 48.40 48.70
Jly e.... 49.20 49.00 49.00 49.17
Aug a.... 47.80 47.40 47.40 47.75 Est. sales 6,416 contracts; Thursday 5,383; open interest 30,913 up 236.
Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Aug 47.90 49.00 47.25 48.12 48.95
Feb 52.90 54.35 52.50 54.15 53.07
Mar 52.85 54.12 52.50 54.12 52.95
May 54.00 54.55 54.00 54.30 53.45
Jly 54.50 54.50 54.30 54.30 53.55 Est. sales 4,292 contracts; Thursday 2,690; open interest 5,930 off 207.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut- out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 122.06 down 36 cents, 700-850 lbs. 121.67 down 52 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 115.54 down 12 cents, 700-850 lbs. 115.78 down 6 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow to moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins not fully established; Boston butts steady; skinned hams steady-4.00 lower; seedless bellies steady-2.00 lower; loins 14-18 lb 116.00-119.00, 18-22 lbs. 116.00- 120.00; butts 4-8 lbs. 95.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 91.00, 20-26 lbs. 83.00-91.00; bellies 10- 16 lbs. 53.00, 18-20 lbs. 47.00, 20-25 lbs. 46.00.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) UPI - An extended trade embargo against Iraq could leave some nations hard up for dates, agricultural trade experts said Friday.

Iraq is the world's largest exporter of dates and in recent years has supplied about one-third of the European Community's imports of the fruit and about 10 percent of U.S. imports, the Agriculture Department said.

''It's not really significant for the United States,'' said Michael Kurtzing of the department's statistical and economic office, noting the United States imported about 478 metric tons of dates from Iraq in fiscal 1989.

Kurtzing said the United States could probably easily make up that loss from other sources such as Tunisia, which has recently expanded its date export market, or even from domestic crops in California.

But nations in the European Community, particularly Italy, could be left scrambling for the fruit, possibly at higher prices, said John Parker, the department's economic analyst for Middle East countries.

''The Economic Community would be a place it could affect,'' said Parker, adding since 1987 Iraq has exported 15,000 to 18,000 tons of dates annually to the EC, with Italy the biggest buyer.

Parker said that's about one-third the EC's total date imports, with another third coming from Tunisia and the remainder from various countries.

Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Malaysia and Canada also import significant amounts of Iraqi dates, he said.

Parker said it is early to predict whether an extended trade embargo would affect the price of dates, but the market during the Iraq-Iran war could provide a basis for comparison.

Iraq ''fizzled very much as an exporter of dates'' during the war, Parker said, dropping from a high of 175,000 tons in 1980 as the war began and to a low of 75,000 tons in 1985. ''This did cause the world date price to rise.''

China had been Iraq's best date customer, Parker said, but found other suppliers and in 1987 Iraq ''rebounded'' its date exports by entering the EC market.

In 1987, Iraq exported a total of 157,000 tons of dates, valued at $52.4 million. In 1989 exports fell somewhat to 130,000 tons for $49 million.

The recent export market strength of Tunisia, which Parker says has

''better quality'' dates, and the availablity of supplies in countries that have not fully exploited the export market could avert a significant price increase, he said.

The cutoff of Iraqi supplies, Parker said, could create a windfall for Iran, which also dropped exports during the war, and the Saudis.

''Saudi Arabia has loads of dates that they could export,'' said Parker, ''but they feed them to animals.''

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CHICAGO (AUG. 17) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Friday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.84	2.86	2.81 1/4	2.82 1/4	2.84 1/2
Dec	2.97 1/2	3.00 1/2	2.95 3/4	2.97	2.99 1/4
Mar	3.07 1/2	3.10	3.05 1/4	3.06 1/2	3.09
May	3.09	3.13 1/2	3.09	3.10 3/4	3.11 1/2
Jly	3.12 1/2	3.15	3.11 1/2	3.13	3.14
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.48 3/4	2.54	2.47 3/4	2.50 3/4	2.49
Dec	2.44	2.48	2.42 3/4	2.45 1/2	2.44 1/2
Mar	2.52 1/4	2.56 1/4	2.51	2.54	2.52 1/2
May	2.58	2.62	2.57 1/4	2.60	2.58 1/2
Jly	2.61 1/4	2.65 1/4	2.60 3/4	2.63	2.61 1/2
Sep	2.56 3/4	2.58 1/4	2.56 1/2	2.56 1/2	2.55 1/4
Dec	2.55	2.57 1/2	2.54 1/4	2.56	2.54 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.18 1/4	1.18 1/4	1.15 1/4	1.15 3/4	1.18
Dec	1.30	1.30	1.26 3/4	1.28	1.29 3/4
Mar	1.40 3/4	1.40 3/4	1.37 1/2	1.39	1.40 1/2
May	1.43 1/2	1.44 3/4	1.44	1.44	1.45 1/4
Jly	1.49	1.49 3/4	1.48 1/2	1.49	1.50 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Aug	6.10 1/2	6.17	6.06	6.15	6.12 1/2
Sep	6.13 1/2	6.20	6.08	6.17	6.15 1/4
Nov	6.26	6.32 1/2	6.18 1/4	6.28 3/4	6.27
Jan	6.37 1/2	6.43 3/4	6.30	6.41 1/4	6.38 1/4
Mar	6.50	6.57	6.41	6.53 1/2	6.51
May	6.55	6.64	6.49 1/2	6.62	6.60

Jly	6.62	6.70	6.57 1/4	6.68	6.65 1/4
Aug	6.53	6.59	6.50	6.57	6.55
Sep	6.34	6.40	6.33	6.38	6.30
Nov	6.20 1/2	6.26 1/2	6.19	6.23	6.20

Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Aug	24.42	24.42	24.15	24.25	24.48
Sep	24.19	24.19	23.95	23.99	24.24
Oct	24.22	24.22	24.01	24.09	24.28
Dec	24.42	24.44	24.20	24.26	24.47
Jan	24.60	24.60	24.40	24.40	24.61
Mar	24.68	24.68	24.54	24.55	24.71
May	24.84	24.84	24.65	24.75	24.84
Jly	24.90	24.90	24.75	24.85	24.90
Aug	24.88	24.88	24.75	24.75	24.88
Sep	24.40	24.60	24.40	24.60	24.75

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Aug	174.40	177.80	173.30	177.80	174.40
Sep	175.50	179.00	174.60	178.90	175.90
Oct	177.00	181.50	176.30	180.60	177.30
Dec	181.80	185.50	180.10	184.30	182.10
Jan	183.00	186.30	182.00	185.90	183.20
Mar	185.50	188.90	184.00	188.50	185.90
May	186.20	190.00	186.00	189.60	187.20
Jly	188.00	191.00	188.00	190.70	189.50
Aug	190.00	190.50	189.50	189.50	189.50

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 17) UPI - A lawyer representing New York Yankees owners says baseball Commissioner Fay Vincent threatened to take ''retaliatory action'' against anyone who aids the minority owners in their suit against Major League Baseball.

Cleveland attorney Mark B. Cohn would not go into detail on who Vincent had threatened or what type of measures the commissioner allegedly had proposed to take but said he was upset by Vincent's actions.

''I'm going to raise the issue of the commissioner threatening people that if they participate in this lawsuit he's going to take retaliatory action against them,'' Cohn said before going into the chambers of U.S. District Judge Alice Batchelder Friday afternoon.

There was no immediate response to the charges from the commissioner's office.

Cohn is representing the Yankees minority owners in their efforts to void an agreement between Major League Baseball and George Steinbrenner that forces the team's general partner to relinquish control of the team by Monday, Aug. 20.

Batchelder and attorneys from both sides met privately twice Friday to discuss what was termed ''preliminary matters'' by one of Batchelder's law clerks. A hearing on the suit will begin at 9 a.m. EDT Monday.

The suit, filed Thursday, seeks to prohibit Vincent from enforcing an agreement signed July 30 by Steinbrenner after an 11-hour meeting with the commissioner, in which Steinbrenner agreed to give up control of the team.

The Yankees' limited partners met Wednesday in Cleveland and voted to have Robert Nederlander succeed Steinbrenner as general partner on an interim basis. Nederlander must be approved by baseball owners.

Minority owners Daniel McCarthy and Harold Bowman filed the suit.

McCarthy, a Cleveland tax attorney, is one of Steinbrenner's lawyers but a spokesman for Steinbrenner said the principal owner had nothing to do with the suit.

In a letter sent to his limited partners last week, Steinbrenner reportedly cautioned them against taking any legal action against the commissioner. Steinbrenner stressed that he was opposed to such action, reiterating that any involvement on his part would be a direct violation of the agreement he signed with Vincent.

The suit claims baseball, Vincent and special investigator John Dowd find Steinbrenner ''fiercely unpopular'' and believe he is a ''blight on baseball.'' It also alleges that Vincent ''has been waiting for the opportunity and excuse to rid himself and the game of this blight.''

Vincent ordered Steinbrenner to step down and to cease all activity dealing with the day-to-day running of the ballclub because of his dealing with admitted gambler Howard Spira. The commissioner said Steinbrenner's conduct had not been in the best interests of baseball.

Steinbrenner paid Spira $40,000 last year but the suit claims baseball knew of Steinbrenner's relationship with Spira and that ''Steinbrenner (had) no reason to believe that the contacts with Spira were in any way improper or prohibited, but also that the commissioner's office condoned and approved of those contacts.''

''(McCarthy and Bowman) claim they are entitled to have Steinbrenner be the managing general manager of the New York Yankees and the commissioner is interfering with that relationship,'' Cohn said.

Cohn said McCarthy and Bowman think Vincent's ruling was ''wrongfully based'' and they ''object to the way the investigation and hearing were conducted.''

The minority owners are seeking a temporary restraining order and preliminary and permanent injunctions barring Vincent and Dowd from caand he intends to honor the agreement between himself and Steinbrenner.

The suit charges Vincent with carrying out a plan to drive Steinbrenner from baseball. The suit said Vincent used ''vague and ill-defined powers vested in the commissioner'' to force Steinbrenner to step down.

The suit also claims that ''no commissioner has ever imposed a penalty for the violation of a previously unannounced standard. All prior commissioners have taken action pursuant to their authority to protect the best interests of baseball only when the questioned conduct clearly violated some known standard.''

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#90229u1418 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

PASADENA, Calif. (AUG. 17) UPI - NASA suddenly regained contact with the Magellan Venus radar mapping probe Friday, more than 14 hours after losing touch with the costly spacecraft because of an unknown problem, officials said.

Project manager Tony Spear was in the midst of a news conference at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory to outline the loss of contact when excited engineers ran in to announce a signal had been received from Magellan, the centerpiece of a $551 million mission to map the hidden surface of Venus.

''It is Magellan's signal,'' said project engineer Steve Wall. ''It is in lock. It has been verified to be Magellan's signal. This is slow telemetry (but) the spacecraft looks healthy.''

However, both of Magellan's high-data-rate radio transmitters were off, indicating the spacecraft was or had been operating in a computer-induced state of hibernation called a ''safe mode.''

Such computer-ordered ''safing'' was built into Magellan's software to protect the spacecraft in the event of problems beyond the electronic brain's ability to handle.

''Safe mode'' programming calls for Magellan to point its two solar panels broadside to the sun and to rotate about its vertical axis to sweep the sky with a medium-data-rate antenna. By doing so, the spacecraft's signal eventually will sweep across Earth, allowing contact to be re-established.

Spear told reporters the most likely form of safing would have led engineers to expect a signal around 6:45 p.m. PDT. But a signal was received about 11:15 a.m. and it was not immediately clear what caused the original problem.

The spacecraft may have had problems locking onto the proper ''guide star'' Thursday during a procedure to update the computer's knowledge about its orientation in space, putting the probe into an automatic safe mode.

Spear said engineers were optimistic they can correct whatever caused the initial loss of contact.

Magellan was built to map at least 90 percent of the surface of Venus during a 243-day mission using cloud-piercing radar beams. Engineers had just started testing the radar system Thursday when contact was lost.

With NASA already reeling from criticism over the flawed Hubble Space Telescope and problems with the shuttle program, resuming operations with Magellan is crucial to the space agency.

JPL spokesman Alan Wood said the 2 1/2-ton spacecraft, which dropped into orbit around Venus last Friday, had successfully completed its second radar mapping orbit when contact was lost.

During each radar mapping orbit, Magellan points its main antenna at Venus to collect radar data about its surface. After each such mapping ''pass,'' the spacecraft is supposed to reorient itself and point the antenna at Earth so radar data, recorded on tape, can be transmitted to JPL for analysis.

The spacecraft then turns the antenna away from Earth so optical sensors can look for programmed ''guide stars'' to update information about the probe's orientation in space.

Engineers at JPL expected Magellan to resume contact with Earth at 8:52 p.m. PDT Thursday at the completion of the guide star update, but no signal was received.

Prior to the loss of signal, Wood said, Magellan had been operating flawlessly and ''there were no problems at all.''

Equipped with a sophisticated imaging radar system, Magellan was built to map more than 90 percent of Venus's hidden surface, revealing features as small as a football field, 10 times better than any previous effort.

With such relatively sharp maps in hand, scientists may be able to learn

why Venus, similar to Earth in many respects, ended up the 900-degree inferno it is today, the victim of a runaway ''greenhouse'' effect. The results could provide valuable insights into how Earth's environment operates.

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#90229u1444 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 17) UPI - Jurors deliberating in the trial of three former Northwest pilots charged with flying a jetliner while intoxicated asked Friday to review court transcripts and a copy of the men's bar tab from a tavern they drank at the night before their early morning flight.

The U.S. District Court panel met for three hours Friday before adjourning for the weekend.

The jurors began shifting through the evidence compiled in the nearly three-week trial late Thursday morning. Friday's session was shortened becausethe presiding judge had to go to Chicago for a relative's wedding.

The defendants - flight captain Norman Prouse, 51, Conyers, Ga., co-pilot Robert Kirchner, 36, Highland Ranch, Colo., and flight engineer Joseph Balzer, 35, Antioch, Tenn. - guided a Boeing 727 with 91 passengers aboard on a March 8 flight from Fargo, N.D., to Minneapolis after drinking for several hours the previous night in a Moorhead, Minn., bar.

Unlike most state driving-while-intoxicated laws, the charges levied against the crew members contain no mention of blood-alcohol content to presume intoxication.

Jurors instead are deciding on whether the pilots consumed enough alcohol at bar that their ''clearness of intellect'' and self-control were impaired during the 40-minute flight the following day, according to jury instructions issued Thursday.

During Friday's deliberations, the jury asked for copies of the court transcripts and an enlarged replica of the pilots' drink receipts from the bar, which show Balzer and Kirchner split six pitchers of beer and Prouse consumed at least 15 mixed drinks.

The jury also have access to flight recordings between the pilots and air traffic controllers.

Attorneys for the pilots maintain the crew proved they were not impaired by flying the aircraft ''flawlessly'' through a freezing drizzle and heavy cloudcover.

Prouse's attorney has also said his client is an alcoholic and therefore

has a higher tolerance to large quantities of liquor than do most social drinkers.

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#90229u1458 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Gold futures closed 40 points higher to 10 points lower Friday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	410.50	410.80	408.00	409.60	409.20
Sep	410.60	414.00	409.50	410.60	410.20
Oct	413.80	416.50	411.50	413.20	412.80
Dec	418.50	421.50	416.30	418.30	417.90
Feb	425.50	425.50	421.00	422.40	422.10
Apr	428.50	428.50	425.00	426.40	426.20
Jun	430.50	430.50	430.00	430.70	430.60
Aug	436.00	436.50	436.00	434.80	434.80
Oct	440.20	....	....	439.60	439.60
Dec	447.00	447.00	445.00	444.50	444.50
Feb	449.50	449.50	449.50	449.70	449.80
Apr	455.40	....	....	454.70	454.80

Open interest: 129,099 up 3,204.

Estimated sales: 70,000 contracts.

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#90229u1463 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 22 to 26 points higher. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	11.30	11.48	11.20	11.40	11.14
Mar	11.01	11.19	10.96	11.14	10.92
May	11.00	11.15	10.97	11.13	10.91
Jly	10.96	11.15	10.96	11.13	10.88
Oct	11.07	11.20	11.07	11.20	10.97

Estimated sales: 23,503 contracts

Open interest: 124,158 up 864

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.44

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday 5 points

higher to 8 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.33	23.35	23.16	23.30	23.34
Jan	23.05	23.05	22.95	23.05	23.10
Mar	23.05	23.05	22.96	22.97	23.05
May	23.10	23.10	23.00	23.05	23.07
Jly	23.10	23.10	23.00	23.05	23.10
Sep	23.00	23.02	23.00	23.02	23.06
Nov	23.00	....	....	22.92	22.87

Estimated sales: 766 contracts

Open interest: 9,380 up 213

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#90229u1469 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - 35 Americans have been moved from one hotel in Baghdad to another one. American Embassy officials have NOT been allowed to communicate with them... despite repeated American protests. But only a handful of Americans ordered by Iraq to report to hotels in Kuwait yesterday did so... and NO Iraqis rounded them up.

Israeli soldiers shot and killed two guerrillas today in Israel's self-declared ''security zone'' in southern Lebanon. An Army spokesman says the soldiers were on routine patrol when they encountered the guerrillas. Jerusalem created the security zone as a protection from guerrilla groups hoping to launch attacks in northern Israel.

NASA has run across another problem. Officials say the Magellan space probe orbiting Venus stopped transmitting signals to Earth last night. The space craft must repeatedly orient itself in space while trying to map the surface of Venus... and may be lost. The probe is programmed to begin looking for Earth tonight.

Analysts say the sluggish growth is helping at least one part of the U-S economy- the trade deficit. The Commerce Department reported today that the deficit dropped a surprising 35 percent in June, to five-BILLION dollars. That's the best performance in seven years.

Diabetes researchers have promising news. Researchers report that an experimental transplant to free diabetics from insulin injections has produced the best results since the technique was developed. The procedure was reported in the medical journal The Lancet. It allowed five of nine patients to reduce insulin injections.

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#90229u1474 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	392.42	238.03	134.15	25.05	332.39
Opening	387.03	233.93	132.93	24.53	327.82
11 a.m.	387.53	233.05	133.07	24.56	328.22
Noon	386.59	232.92	132.92	24.49	327.45
1 p.m.	383.96	231.17	132.21	24.36	325.33
2 p.m.	383.60	231.03	132.10	24.33	325.03
3 p.m.	385.68	232.14	132.39	24.45	326.65

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NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	401.50	off	1.50
Morning fixing	410.50	up	9.00
Afternoon fixing	410.60	up	9.10
Close	409.50	up	8.00
Paris	411.25	up	5.51
Zurich	410.00	up	7.00
Hong Kong	412.75	up	10.30
New York			
Comex spot close	409.60	up	0.40
Republic cash	409.25	up	0.25
Handy and Harman	410.60	up	8.00

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 411.95 up 8.02 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 432.55 up 8.42 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	5.179	up	0.011
Republic cash	5.195	up	0.015

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 5.185 per fine ounce up 0.04

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 5.20 up 0.03 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.564 up 0.032

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 507.00 up 8.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 607.00 up 8.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 119.00 up 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 134.00 up 2.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90229u1486 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

SOUTH BEND, IN (AUG. 17) UPI - Former Notre Dame football player Braxston Banks, who lost his college eligibility after declaring for the National Football League draft, Friday lost his federal court bid for reinstatement.

Banks sought to overturn NCAA rules that require a player to forfeit remaining years of play if they opt for the professional draft or sign with an agent to further their career.

This spring Banks entered the NFL draft and also signed with an agent. However, he was not drafted.

The suit asked for a restraining order that would have allowed Banks to report to Notre Dame Friday by a team deadline and to begin practice on Monday.

U.S. District Judge Robert Miller, in a 29-page ruling, rejected Banks's challenges to the NCAA rules on the grounds they did not vilolate federal antitrust law.

Banks was a running back from Hayward, Calif. He graduated earlier this year, although he was a junior in terms of football eligibility when he declared for the draft.

''While the court symphathizes with Mr. Banks, the NCAA regulations at issue here - whatever their wisdom or soundness as intercollegiate athletic policy - do not offend the federal antitrust laws,'' Miller wrote. ''The court cannot rescue Mr. Banks's career hopes by holding otherwise. He has shown no likelihood of success on the merits of his federal antitrust claims so his motion for preliminary injunction must be and hereby is denied.''

The suit said that entering the draft did not make him a professional and should not affect his return to college sports.

Banks was represented by Alan Morrison of Public Citizens Litigation Group.

Morrison requested the suit be considered as a class action. Thirty-eight players, including Banks, had entered the 1990 draft and 20 were not

picked by any team.

This was the first year that underclassmen could declare under NFL rules.

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#90229u1489 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) UPI - The Navy disclosed new details about its A-12 Avenger Friday, declassifying data on its new carrier-based stealth bomber that in an artists conception looks much like a manta ray.

The plane, like other stealth planes designed to be almost invisible to enemy radar, is intended as a replacement for the Navy's aging inventory of A-6 Intruder bombers.

In releasing a painting of the A-12 and a handful of technical details, the Pentagon did not, however, indicate if it has vertical control surfaces. The F-117A stealth fighter has tail fins while the B-2 stealth bomber does not.

The A-12 has a wing shaped like a right triangle with the 90-degree angle evenly splitting the nose. Just below the nose of the twin-engine jet - on the underside of the broad wing, are two engine air intake ports that give it a distinctive ray-like appearance from below.

The plane, with a crew of two seated in tandem, is named Avenger after a carrier-based torpedo bomber built in World War II. It is being built by General Dynamics and McDonnell Douglas.

The plane was to have had its first flight this summer, but officials said they are having trouble with the composite materials that contribute to its stealth characteristics and the flight has been delayed.

A fixed-price contract of up to $4.78 bilion was awarded for the plane's full-scale development, and another $800 milion in research work has been approved so far for the plane.

But the congressional defense committees, in writing the 1991 Pentagon budget, cut out $1.15 billion in production money because of the program's troubles. Although no figure has been released, published accounts put the overall cost at $52 billion.

One congressional source said the plane will ''sail through up here because the A-6 is finished,'' noting the fatigue cracks and other problems that have been troubling the Intruder for years.

The aircraft is designed to provide all-weather attack capability both in daylight and at night and, according to the Pentagon, can ''penetrate the

most sophisticated defenses and deliver greater quantities of ordnance with precision and at less risk to the flight crew than any previous naval aircraft.''

Although the A-12's precise capabilities were not revealed, the plane it is replacing can carry 18,000 tons of conventional or nuclear bombs. The Pentagon said the A-12 will have a greater range than the A-6 and will be able to fly faster than its predecessor. The A-6 can travel at up to 594 knots. It has a ferry range of 2,400 miles and a combat radius of 320 miles.

The Pentagon said the A-12 will be able to penetrate sophisticated missile defense systems. And, mindful of the situation evolving in Iraq, it noted that such defense systems are ''no longer (the) sole property of the superpowers.''

The agency also said the plane's sophisticated guidance system should allow it to deliver weapons precisely, ''minimizing damage to non-military sites.'' Iraq's air defenses are not too sophisticated but Libya has modern air defenses.

The Pentagon said naval operations will be enhanced ''by the A-12's ability to penetrate covertly deeper into enemy territory, unrefueled, to strike targets beyond the reach of current sea-based aircraft, and bring the crews safely home.''

Among the systems being incorporated into the plane are an automated electronic cockpit with systems to aid in finding and avoiding threats. Battle damage and fires, said the Pentagon, will be minimized by charging the self-sealing fuel tanks with inert nitrogen. It also will have backup electrical and hydraulic systems, will incorporate fiber optics and very high speed integrated circuitry.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - South African police say nine more people are dead in fighting between rival black groups in Soweto. Five days of fighting have claimed at least 175 lives and wounded another 850 people. The government and black activist Nelson Mandela are trying to organize peace talks, but the feuding parties can't agree on when to hold the meeting.

Police in the Philippines say about 40 communist rebels ambushed a police jeep outside a provincial capital 350 miles southeast of Manila today, killing the 13-year-old son of a station commander. The boy had hitched a ride to meet his father. Authorities say the police fought back, killing six of the rebels.

A Moslem rebel group in India is claiming responsibility for rocket attacks on two hotels in Srinagar. One hotel housed civilians, the other was used as a barracks for government soldiers. NO one was hurt by the shelling. Rebels say they will attack defense installations and government buildings.

U-S prosecutors say they will appeal a federal judge's order to release a Mexican doctor suspected in the 1985 slaying of federal drug agent Enrique Camarena. A U-S District Court last week ordered the suspect repatriated to Mexico on grounds his arrest violated international law. But U-S attorneys today asked the court to hold off on sending the suspect back pending an appeal.

An unusual trio is in residence at a Houston medical center- a family of vultures. Two adult vultures built a nest in a second-floor alcove of the building and have hatched a baby. Despite unpleasant habits such as eating dead animals and regurgitating when upset... the birds have won over most of the workers.

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TOKYO (AUG. 17) UPI - The government has begun enforcing emergency measures to stabilize domestic oil supplies and ease the impact of sweeping sanctions Japan imposed against Iraq and Kuwait, officials said Friday.

The Petroleum Industry Association welcomed the action and said oil companies would make an all-out effort to maintain a stable supply of crude oil and refined petroleum products.

Japan, the world's third-largest oil-consuming nation, is almost totally dependent on foreign oil for domestic petroleum needs.

Japan's sanctions, implemented following Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2, embargoed trade with the two countries - including oil imports - and froze its $2.7 billion aid commitment to Iraq.

The two Persian Gulf nations each supplied about 6 percent of Japan's annual oil imports.

Natural Resources and Energy Agency officials said the emergency measures fashioned Thursday will allow the government to release about 2.4 million barrels of oil to be set aside for use in August and September.

Oil refiners also will be permitted to increase production of petroleum products, such as gasoline, to meet domestic needs, officials said.

Japan consumed about 5 million barrels of oil a day and imported 4.5

million barrels a day in 1989, according to the BP Statistical Review of World Energy. Imports from Kuwait amounted to about 126,000 barrels a day in 1989.

The government had planned to increase its stockpile by an additional 18.7 million barrels during the current fiscal year, which ends March 31, 1991. It currently holds 195.4 million barrels - equivalent to a 54-day supply in its stockpile.

In addition to the government stockpile, oil companies are required to keep at least an 82-day supply of crude oil in their reserves. They currently have about an 88-day supply, the officials said.

They said the new package allows oil companies to lower the stockpile level if the world oil market becomes tighter.

''Such a situation, however, is unlikely to occur until October at the earliest since Japanese oil companies have already secured supplies for August and September,'' said Naoki Kuroda, director general of the agency's Petroleum Department.

The agency officials said the new measures were aimed at preventing Japanese oil companies from purchasing crude oil on the spot - or open - market at unreasonably high prices.

In previous oil crises in 1973-1974 and 1979-1980, Japanese oil companies were accused of hunting for high-priced oil on the international spot market, where oil is sold to the highest bidder, and drew criticism from overseas.

Japanese refiners will be allowed to process an additional 22.4 million barrels of crude oil into petroleum products, the officials said. The volume is equivalent to 2 percent of the oil processed by Japanese oil companies annually.

The officials said Japan refined 1.15 billion barrels of oil products in 1989.

''The government's decision includes what we have been asking for and therefore is welcome,'' said a representative of the PIA. ''Each oil company will make its utmost (effort) to maintain a stable supply.''

The PIA said a decision by Saudi Arabia to cut its oil supplies to Japan by 16 percent in September will have little impact on the domestic supply situation.

Five oil companies have contracted to import 50,000 barrels of Saudi oil a day. The PIA noted Saudi's supply cut amounts to only about 1 percent of

Japan's total oil imports.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Sharply lower in moderate trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Sharply lower in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed broadly lower in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed sharply lower in light trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1 to 1 3/4, soybeans up 1 3/4 to 8, wheat off 3/4 to 2 1/2 and oats off 1 1/4 to 2 1/4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $1 higher to $11 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.40 cent higher to 1.10 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.30 to 0.80 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.40 cent higher to 0.26 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.40 higher to $0.10 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $2.80 to $3.00 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 5.00 cents to 9.95 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 1.0 to 3.0 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.022 to 0.026 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 17) UPI - Weekly grain range on the Chicago Board of Trade:

	High	Low	Close	Wk	Ag
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.86 1/2	2.73 3/4	2.82 1/4	2.80 1/2	3.97 1/4
Dec	3.00 3/4	2.89 1/2	2.97	2.96	4.12
Mar	3.10	2.98 3/4	3.06 1/2	3.04 1/4	4.17 1/2
May	3.13 1/2	3.04	3.10 3/4	3.11	4.04
Jly	3.15 1/2	3.05	3.13	3.12 1/2	3.70
Sep	3.15	3.11	3.17 1/2	3.14	3.73 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.54	2.43 3/4	2.50 3/4	2.50 1/4	2.35 3/4
Dec	2.48	2.40	2.45 1/2	2.44 3/4	2.38
Mar	2.56 1/4	2.49	2.54	2.53 1/2	2.44 1/4
May	2.62	2.55 3/4	2.60	2.60	2.49 3/4
Jly	2.65 1/4	2.59 1/4	2.63	2.62 3/4	2.51 1/2
Sep	2.60 1/2	2.55 1/4	2.56 1/2	2.59 1/4	2.43
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.18 1/2	1.14 3/4	1.15 3/4	1.19 1/2	1.37
Dec	1.30	1.25 1/2	1.28	1.30 1/4	1.47 1/2
Mar	1.40 3/4	1.36 1/2	1.39	1.40 3/4	1.57 3/4
May	1.46	1.42 1/2	1.44	1.46 1/2	1.63 1/2
Jly	1.49 3/4	1.47 1/2	1.49	1.51 1/2	1.67 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Aug	6.17	5.98 1/2	6.15	6.08 3/4	6.08
Sep	6.20	6.04	6.17	6.14	5.84
Nov	6.32 1/2	6.14 3/4	6.28 3/4	6.26	5.75 1/2
Jan	6.43 3/4	6.26	6.41 1/4	6.36 1/2	5.84 3/4
Mar	6.57	6.37	6.53 1/2	6.47 1/2	5.94 1/2
May	6.64	6.44	6.62	6.54	6.03

Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Aug	24.80	24.15	24.25	24.82	17.81
Sep	24.67	23.95	23.99	24.69	17.91
Oct	24.74	24.01	24.09	24.72	18.15
Dec	24.89	24.20	24.26	24.84	18.56
Jan	24.95	24.40	24.40	24.91	18.81
Mar	25.08	24.54	24.55	25.02	19.15

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Aug	177.80	171.20	177.80	176.50	205.50
Sep	179.00	172.50	178.90	177.50	189.40
Oct	181.50	173.50	180.60	178.30	181.60
Dec	185.50	176.50	184.30	181.40	180.70
Jan	186.30	178.00	185.90	182.70	180.70
Mar	188.90	181.00	188.50	185.40	182.50

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OTTAWA (AUG. 17) UPI - Increased exports of cars, trucks and automotive parts pushed Canada's trade balance with the United States to $1.9 billion in June, up from $712 million in May, according to preliminary trade figures released Friday by Statistics Canada.

The increased trade with the United States boosted Canada's overall trade balance to $1.4 billion in June, up $935 million from the previous month. Deficits posted with Canada's other principal trading areas in June included a $111 million deficit with the European Economic Community.

The federal government's data gathering agency also reported that Canadian merchandise exports in June totaled $10.9 billion, up 5.3 percent from May. Exports for the first half of 1990 increased 2.1 percent over the same period of 1989 and 4.3 percent over the second half of last year.

At the same time, imports dropped sharply in June to $9.4 billion, the lowest level since July last year. Imports in the first half of 1990 totaled $57.9 billion, up 1.6 percent over the second half of 1989.

Jean-Pierre Simard, a trade analyst with Statistics Canada, said exports of cars, trucks and automotive parts in June increased $604 million over May. Ninety percent of those exports, according to Simard, went to the United States.

Other significant increases in exports were recorded for newsprint, industrial and agricultural machinery and natural gas.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.02

60 to 89 days 7.92

90 to 119 days 7.86

120 to 149 days 7.82

150 to 179 days 7.79

180 to 270 days 7.74

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.10 - 7.90

Issuers 30 days 8.00

Issuers 90 days 7.71

Issuers 270 days 7.43

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.09

60 to 89 days 8.09

90 to 119 days 8.10

120 to 149 days 8.10

150 to 179 days 8.10

180 days 8.10

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight	8.375	- 8.625
1 month	8.125	- 8.25
3 month	8 1-16	- 8 3-16
6 month	8 1-16	- 8 3-16
Year	8.125	- 8.25

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months	7.49	- 7.47
6 months	7.44	- 7.42
Year	7.30	- 7.28

Federal Funds: High 8 3/8, Low 7 1/2, Close 7 1/2

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.958 up 0.033.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1127.0
Thursday	1121.4
Week ago	1122.2
Month ago	1139.5
Year ago	1106.5
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Scores of homosexual activists rallied Friday outside the Manhattan headquarters of Philip Morris, protesting the company's financial support of Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C.

The tobacco state lawmaker has been an outspoken foe of explicit AIDS prevention programs and homosexuality and recently sponsored legislation to ban grants to the National Endowment of the Arts for works including homoerotic art.

''We're demanding that Philip Morris publicly denounce its past support of Jesse Helms and his legislation of hate and death,'' said AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power, or ACT UP, organizer Dino Rossi, who was joined by about 50 protesters.

Rossi said the company is ''the largest corporate contributor to the Helms campaign.'' Helms has been an effective advocate for the tobacco industry, an important factor to his state's economy.

Tobacco products provide about $18 billion in annual revenue to Philip Morris, which also owns the Miller Brewing Co. and Kraft General Foods, said company spokesman George Knox.

After a 20-minute noon meeting with Philip Morris officials at the company's Park Avenue headquarters, the group promised to continue promoting a month-old national boycott of Marlboro cigarettes and Miller beer.

''I asked them to reconsider their boycott and consider the fact that since 1987, Philip Morris has contributed nearly $700,000 to AIDS-related causes,'' Knox said.

''I told them that despite their effort to boycott our products, we would continue to find ways to be supportive of efforts dealing with this national health issue,'' he said, referring to AIDS. ''That would not extend to denouncing Jesse Helms.

Knox said he was unaware of studies cited by ACT UP showing cigarette use hastens the progression from AIDS infection to full-blown AIDS.

Response to the boycott has largely come from homosexuals in 35 cities around the country, many of them refusing to stock or advertise Miller beer, Rossi said.

''They'll feel Jesse Helms. They'll feel our wrath,'' he said of Philip Morris.

On Aug. 9, the Conservative Campaign Fund's Re-Elect Jesse Helms committee filed a complaint with the Federal Election Commission, charging ACT UP and individual activists with trying to influence a federal election with a boycott action, something ACT UP says is legal, Rossi said.

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#90229u1614 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

SOWETO, South Africa (AUG. 17) UPI - Rival factions fought scattered battles in the streets of the nation's largest black city Friday in a fifth day of violence that brought the death toll to 188.

Friday's violence followed the apparent failure of a peace initiative late Thursday in which the government and African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela agreed to try to establish ''peace forums' of rivals in the strife. There were no peace talks Friday and hopes for an early truce appeared grim. Among 22 people killed in Soweto Friday was a 13-year-old boy, shot in the head by a white policeman in a narrow alley between houses while lawmen were chasing a group of youths, witnesses said.

Winnie Mandela, wife of black leader Nelson Mandela, rushed to the scene to console the child's hysterical mother and accused the police of ''running amok, killing the community.'' Winnie Mandela denied the youths had earlier attacked a rival faction.

Other people died in open lots or in barracks-like hostels - most clubbed or hacked to death by rival fighters wielding knives, machetes and tribal fighting sticks. Police fired tear gas, birdshot and rubber bullets throughout the day to disperse rival mobs, but were unable to prevent them from regrouping.

Thousands of Soweto residents stayed away from work, afraid to risk the wrath of gangs roaming through the sprawling city of 2 million or being caught in cross fire. Rumors spread of people being indiscriminately killed or beaten.

The conflict spilled over into Soweto Thursday from three townships east of Johannesburg. Police spokesman Col. Tienie Halgryn put the death toll in five days of bloodletting at 188 and said at least 850 were wounded.

''Police are responsible for very few casualties,'' he said.

The African National Congress, whose supporters are battling followers of the exclusively Zulu Inkatha Party, blamed the conflict on ''sinister forces'' who want to undermine the ANC as the leading anti-apartheid movement in South Africa.

The ANC said in a statement that the violence, the worst in four years of

fighting between the movement and Inkatha, was part of a ''destabilization campaign,'' apparently hinting the police had a hand in directing the conflict in favor of Inkatha because of the Zulu group's firm ties to the white government in Pretoria.

Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi denied his organization was responsible, saying, ''We have always opposed the use of violence.''

Pretoria has also rejected charges of partiality, and police branded the fighting a tribal battle between Zulus and Xhosas.

Other analysts blamed the latest conflict on a combination of tribal rivalries between Zulus and Xhosas and Buthelezi's attempts to stake out apower base in advance of formal negotiations with the government on a post-apartheid constitution.

Minister of Law and Order Adriaan Vlok and Mandela agreed at an emergency meeting in Soweto late Thursday to establish a ''peace forum'' of rivals, mediated by police, to end the strife. But no talks were held Friday.

President Frederik de Klerk was reportedly trying to draw Buthelezi into the talks after holding an emergency meeting with Mandela Thursday.

''No peace talks have begun yet,'' police talks liaison officer Capt. Joseph Ngobeni said. ''We are having trouble getting these people to make a time. ... This could take days to get under way.''

He said police could not stop mobs from clashing sporadically. ''We can't monitor everything, but we have patrols all over the area.''

The rival groups are made up mainly of migrant mine workers, Zulus of the Inkatha movement and Xhosa members of the ANC.

Hundreds of the antagonists have waged battle in Soweto and other townships across rocky fields and around hostels. They have erected barricades of rocks and burning tires and randomly attacked motorists.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages decreased to 10.05 percent from 10.08 percent and adjustable-rate notes declined to 8.31 percent from 8.39 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) UPI - Food prices will go up 5 percent to 7 percent this year, the government said Friday, sharply raising its forecast because of double-digit price increases for eggs, fruit, pork and dairy products.

If correct, it would mean the second year in a row of sizable price increases. Food prices rose an average of 5.8 percent during 1989, the largest increase since 1981.

The Agriculture Department initially projected food price inflation of 3 percent to 5 percent for this year. It boosted its estimate by 2 points because of higher prices for some products in the first half of the year and the uncertain outlook for fuel costs.

''This assumes most of the evolving oil price shock will take until next year to spill over into food prices,'' the department said in a monthly Agricultural Outlook summary.

The Economic Research Service said fruit prices were up 14.3 percent for the first six months of the year. Egg prices were up 11.1 percent, pork up 11.2 percent and dairy products up 10.7 percent.

The figures did not take into account record-high retail pork prices during July.

''However, most of the year's increases probably took place in the first half,'' the summary said. ''Gains in the second half are expected to be more modest.''

Fresh fruit and vegetable prices skyrocketed early this year in the wake of the Christmastime freeze that chilled the South. Dairy prices have stayed at strong levels this year despite an upturn in production. An expected 2 percent decline in beef, pork, lamb and veal production is keeping prices firm.

The Agriculture Department forecasts are based on the average price change for the entire year.

Other government agencies, such as the Labor Department, issue inflation and food price figures based on month to month changes. On Thursday, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported a 0.4 percent rise in food prices in July, a rate equal to the overall inflation rate for the month.

''Because of the rapidly changing situation, it's unclear how much and how fast the increases will ripple through food prices,'' the summary said.

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DETROIT (AUG. 17) UPI - Chrysler Corp. said Friday it is offering for the first time buyouts to union-represented hourly and salaried workers with a minimum of one year of experience in an effort to thin its workforce.

Chrysler spokesman Lee Sechler said that so far, 450 workers have opted for what the No. 3 automaker calls its Voluntary Termination Employment Program (VTEP).

The buyout offer was started late last month and runs until August 24. Both Chrysler and the United Auto Workers union officials said the program stems from their 1988 labor contract, and has nothing to do with labor negotiations now underway to replace that two-year pact with a new agreement by Sept. 14.

''This is something that is up to the individual, more or less a golden handshake,'' said UAW spokesman Bob Barbee, adding that the union has no objection ''if it is a fair and equitable agreement between both sides.''

There are no age limitations under the VTEP program. Workers will be off Chrysler's payrolls by Aug. 31, Sechler said.

Chrysler had been offering until July 31 a program under which workers at least 55 years old with a minimum 10 years' experience were granted special early retirement provisions. About 500 workers took advantage of that offer, Sechler said.

''This is not a special early retirement program and these are not layoffs '' Sechler said. ''It's a buyout offer.''

Chrysler said it expects about 600 workers company-wide will take advantage of the offer by the cutoff date. Some skilled jobs are exempt, depending on the needs of the carmaker.

''There is no real pattern to who has been signing up,'' Sechler said. ''It ranges from people who have a dual family income to someone who has a special skill and wants to start their own business.''

Like other companies, Chrysler is looking for ways to reduce costs. But the carmaker declined to say if such an offer would be repeated, or if it might be forced to lay off additional workers.

''It's a question of how do you become lowest-cost producer and still offer quality products?'' Sechler said.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Oil companies, battling charges of price gouging in the midst of the Mideast crisis, said Friday rising crude prices were testing the limits of their restraint on gasoline prices.

Phillips Petroleum Co. raised its average wholesale gasoline price by a penny a gallon Friday, on top of a rise of 20.2 cents a gallon since the invasion Aug. 2. Chevron Corp. raised prices by a penny a gallon for dealers in the San Francisco Bay Area, on top of increases of five cents to ten cents a gallon since the invasion.

Several major oil companies agreed to freeze gas prices last week after President Bush urged them not to take advantage of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait to increase profits.

But crude oil prices have continued to skyrocket since the president's call, rising more than $1 to $28.40 a barrel in early afternoon trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Oil buyers are concerned that prices could rise further if fighting breaks out between Iraq and the United States in the oil-rich Persian Gulf.

Gas prices, which have shot up as much as 20 cents a gallon in some parts of the country, have not kept pace with the price of crude, oil companies said. "We are under-recovering our costs. Our margins are less than they were in July," Phillips Petroleum spokesman Jere Smith said. "We were not gouging. We were reflecting the market price."

Atlantic Richfield Co. said it was evaluating its ten-day price freeze on a "day-to-day basis." Since the freeze went into effect, 270 Arco stations have run dry, the company's daily volume has risen 12 percent, and to meet demand it was forced to buy gasoline on the spot market for $1 a gallon, compared with 65 cents before the invasion, spokesman Douglas Elmets said.

"Obviously it's putting a strain on the system," Elmets said. "We want to hold the line as long as possible in compliance with the president's request."

On Thursday, Amoco Corp. and Unocal Corp., two of the nation's largest gasoline marketers, lifted their freeze on wholesale gasoline prices. Mobil, which never imposed a freeze, said it planned to take out newspaper ads in Los Angeles next week to tell consumers why its wholesale prices have risen 8 cents a gallon.

Since the invasion, the average retail price for a gallon of unleaded gasoline has risen 13.6 cents, according to the Automobile Association of America. Crude oil prices were up Friday about $7 a barrel from levels before the invasion.

There are 42 gallons in a barrel of crude, and each $1-a-barrel increase

in world oil prices theoretically means a rise of 2.3 cents a gallon at the pump.

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#90229u1639 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 17) UPI - Soviet leaders called Friday for firm U.N. action to halt Iraq's ''blatant violation of international law,'' stopping just short of open support for a U.N. military force in the region.

President Mikhail Gorbachev and Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze made separate statements condemning Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and calling for collective international action.

Shevardnadze repeated the Soviet Union's proposal that the U.N. Security Council's Military Staff Committee, representatives of the armed forces chiefs of staff from the council's five permanent members, become actively involved in coordinating world response to Iraq.

''All countries ... should take all possible steps to see that U.N. Security Council resolutions are fulfilled,'' Shevardnadze said at a joint news conference with visiting West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher. ''This is not a simple task, and we are ready to cooperate on this issue.''

''If we manage to get the involvement of the Military Staff Committee, the resolutions of the Security Council would have more weight and other results would be obtained,'' Shevardnadze said.

''If tensions continue, I think the Security Council will act more decisively,'' Shevardnadze said.

Shevardnadze refused to say whether the Soviet Union would vote in the Security Council to set up a U.N. military force in the Middle East.

''It should be decided at expert levels which measures are required, which actions are required,'' he said. ''So far, this question (of a U.N. military force) is not on the agenda.''

The Soviet foreign minister refused to criticize the massive U.S. military buildup in the region, saying: ''At present we've got good mutual understanding with the United States on this matter.''

Gorbachev, speaking to participants in a military exercise in Odessa, warned of the danger of a full-scale war and issued his strongest condemnation so far of Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

''We have witnessed an act of perfidy and a blatant violation of

international law and the U.N. charter - in short, a violation of everything the world community now pins its hopes on as it seeks to put civilization on the tracks of peaceful development,'' Gorbachev said.

''The use of force to redraw borders, especially in order to annex a sovereign country, threatens a perilous chain reaction endangering the whole world community,'' he said.

Gorbachev added that the Soviet Union is especially concerned because the ''act of aggression was committed with the help of our weapons, which we agreed to sell to Iraq only to maintain its defense capability rather than to seize foreign territories and whole countries.''

The official Tass news agency said the first group of 230 Soviet citizens to be evacuated from Kuwait was due to arrive at the Iraqi-Jordanian border Friday night.

Soviet officials said earlier in the week that Iraq was allowing the overland evacuation of women, children and invalids among the estimated 8,000 Soviet citizens in Iraq. The fate of Soviet men who had been working in Iraq had not been determined.

Shevardnadze said the Soviet Union was also in negotiations with Iraq on its order that foreign embassies in Kuwait be shut down by Aug. 24.

''We would like to avoid such a step,'' he said. ''You know our assessment of the Iraqi agression. We are negotiating now with Iraqi representatives. We will see the outcome of our efforts in the coming few days.''

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#90229u1652 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2644.80	off	36.64	923.91	off	15.87	201.14	off	1.45
Thursday	2681.44	off	66.83	939.78	off	21.90	202.59	off	2.58
Week ago	2716.58	off	42.33	974.82	off	23.36	203.09	off	1.39
Month ago	2961.14	off	32.67	1159.31	off	13.32	202.15	off	1.38
Year ago	2687.97	up	8.34	1442.39	up	14.05	216.93	up	0.38
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2543.24			923.91			200.20		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90229u1654 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2644.80	off 36.64
20 Trans	923.91	off 15.87
15 Utils	201.14	off 1.45
65 Stocks	919.76	off 12.52

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#90229u1663 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	58 1-4	off	1-2
AT&T	33 3-4	off	1-2
BCE	32 7-8	unch	
BellAtl	45 1-4	unch	
BellSth	52 5-8	off	1-8
Exxon	52 1-2	up	3-4
FordMot	36 1-2	off	1-2
GenEl	64 1-2	off	3-8
GnMotor	37 3-4	off	3-8
GTE	26 1-8	off	1-8
IBM	102 1-8	off	1 5-8
Mobil	66 3-8	off	3-8
Nynex	73 3-4	off	3-8
PacGasE	21 1-2	off	1-4
PcTeles	40 1-4	off	3-4
PhilaEl	15 1-4	off	1-4
Sears	29	off	7-8
SouthCo	23 3-4	off	1-2
SwBell	51 3-8	off	3-4
USWest	35	off	7-8

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#90229u1685 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.39	off 0.22
10 Public Utils	91.78	off 0.11
10 Industrials	89.01	off 0.32

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#90229u1698 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks - 212,560,000 shares

1990 to date - 25,461,593,392
Warrants - 3,619,800
1990 to date - 156,514,500

-30- 330
#90229u1700 08/17/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 17) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
DISTRIBUTION				
Storage Equities Inc	..	.20	9-28	9-14
STOCK				
Midam Inc	..	10PC	9-7	8-31
US Bancorp	..	20PC	9-14	8-27
INCREASED				
Apco Argentina Inc	Q	.21	10-5	9-21
Greyhound Dial	Q	.35	10-1	8-31
Madison G&E	Q	.65	9-15	9-1
Manufacturers Natl	Q	.58	9-28	8-31
USUAL				
KeyCorp	Q	.34	10-15	9-28

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

-30- 795
#90229u1701 08/17/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:
Stocks - 16,120,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,244,624,345
Bonds - $3,010,000
1990 to date - $458,823,000

-30- 326
#90229u1708 08/17/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 17) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 180.19 off 2.54
ASE Market Value Index 333.61 off 3.22
Dow-Jones Industrial 2644.80 off 36.64

-30- 322
#90229u1711 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 336.85, low 331.97, close 333.61, off 3.22.

There was a loss of 11 cents in the average share price.

Volume 16,120,000 shares, compared with 14,160,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	8
New Lows	113
Advances	132
Declines	483
Unchanged	189
Total Issues	804

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#90229u1712 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	333.61	off	3.22
High Technology	327.52	off	5.24
Capital Goods	367.98	off	4.82
Consumer Goods	403.35	off	6.24
Service	742.75	off	21.29
Retail	1062.98	off	31.84
Financial	378.43	off	3.79
Natural Resources	256.28	up	3.15
Housing-Const-Land	340.28	off	10.16

There was a gain of 11 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS			
New England	410.71	off	8.08
Mid Atlantic	426.46	off	6.67
No Central	461.96	off	12.73
So Atlantic	945.67	off	14.72
So Central	329.15	off	2.55
Mountain	114.90	off	1.37
Pacific	386.49	off	8.73
Foreign	254.44	up	3.10

-30- 921

#90229u1714 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

KATMAI NATIONAL PARK, Alaska (AUG. 17) UPI - A tour bus slid off a gravel road and overturned in a remote national park, injuring 22 sightseers, the National Park Service said Friday.

Six seriously injured passengers were flown 300 miles to an Anchorage hospital for treatment of broken bones and internal injuries following Thursday's accident, park spokesman John Quinley said in Anchorage.

Six other passengers were treated for minor injuries in Naknek, a town near the wilderness park. Ten others were examined at the Naknek clinic.

Katmai National Park is so remote and undeveloped that the only access is by amphibious plane and getting stretcher cases out on floatplanes posed problems, Quinley said.

Katmai is known for its wild bears and a vast volcanic landscape left over from a huge 1912 eruption. Inside the park, there is a single gravel road from the Brooks Camp cabins and campground, where floatplanes drop off visitors, stretching 23 miles to the Valley of 10,000 Smokes.

A single bus, operated for the park service by a concessionaire, was half way to the volcanic valley Thursday when the driver stopped to let passengers look at scenery.

''The driver was pulling over to the side to stop to look at the view, and the bus went off the side of the road,'' Quinley said. ''It's not clear whether the road gave way or the driver got too close. The bus rolled on its side, did at least one complete revolution and landed on its tires.''

The accident occurred at 10:30 a.m. but because the bus radio was not working it took about 2 1/2 hours before park officials learned there had been an accident, Quinley said. He said the park service ''spent the rest of the day shuttling people to Brooks Camp and getting them on floatplanes. It took quite a while. ... A person on a stretcher fills up a floatplane pretty fast. It was quite an operation getting everyone out.''

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#90229u1715 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

BEDFORD, MA (AUG. 17) UPI - Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. has agreed to take a cut on the interest payments it gets on a $500 million loan to Prime Computer Inc. in return for an increasing stake in the computer maker's parent company, Prime said Friday.

The agreement thus recognizes the growing difficulty of issuing junk bonds and turns what was supposed to have been a short-term "bridge loan" by Shearson into a growing equity position in the computer maker.

Interest on the loan, which was used in bringing the company private last year, would have jumped to 20 percent a year on Aug. 19 from 17 percent per annum previously, said a Prime spokesman, Joseph Gavaghan.

Under the terms of the new agreement and based on a fluctuating international standard, Shearson will get 12 percent a year, Gavaghan said. Prime thus will save $40 million a year in interest in the next 12 months.

In return, Shearson will get a 7.5 percent stake in DR Holdings, the closely held parent of Prime, as soon as the deal is completed, probably in the next few days, Gavaghan said.

The big brokerage will get another one percent for each quarter the loan remains outstanding up to a maximum of 25 percent of the company, Gavaghan said. Shearson already owns 19 percent of DR Holdings.

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#90229u1723 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AUG. 17) UPI - President Violeta Chamorro has asked the National Assembly to pardon the killers of her husband, Pedro Joaquin Chamorro, whose 1978 assassination helped fuel the Sandinista revolution, a Sandinista newspaper said Friday.

In a letter to Assembly President Miriam Arguello, dated Aug. 13, Chamorro said ''As an affected party, I have expressed to the National Assembly my feelings to forgive and forget those who were the material authors of the assassination and other connected crimes against my husband, Dr. Pedro Joaquin Chamorro Cardenal. Therefore, I solicit their pardon within the spirit of reconciliation that I have espoused.''

The letter was printed in part Friday in the Sandinista newspaper, Barricada. A spokesman for President Chamorro refused to comment.

Chamorro, who defeated former Sandinista President Daniel Ortega in February elections, vowed in her April 25 inauguration address to pardon all political prisoners held captive by the Sandinistas, including those who killed her husband.

The letter also called for the release of 82 other political prisoners. It specifically mentioned the five prisoners who were convicted of carrying out the actual assassination - Silvio Pena, Domingo Acevedo, Silvio Vega, Harold Cedeno and Juan Ramon Acevedo.

Pedro Joaquin Chamorro, former publisher of the newspaper La Prensa, is considered a martyr by virtually all Nicaraguans - both Sandinistas and supporters of Violeta Chamorro's National Opposition Union coalition. His face appears on the new Cordoba Oro money.

He was slain in his car in 1978 in a hail of bullets in front of the National Assembly, apparently in retaliation for his harsh criticism of U.S.-backed dictator Anastasio Somozo Debayle. The killing outraged

Nicaraguans and propelled many to support or join the revolutionary movement, which had been sputtering along for years. Somoza was overthrown the next year.

After the revolution, the killers were rounded up and tried. Pena, Domingo Acevedo and Vega were each sentenced to 30 years in prison, while Cedeno and Juan Acevedo were sentenced to 21 years each.

Somoza's son, Anastasio Somoza Portocarrero, who now lives in Miami, was accused at the time along with another man, Fausto Zelaya, of helping to plot the killing. The two were given asylym by the United States, however, and never stood trial.

Meanwhile, the first Somoza to return to Nicaragua since the time of the revolution arrived in Managua this week. Luis Ramon Sevilla Somoza, 43, is the son of the former dictator's sister, Lilliam Somoza Debayle, and of the former Nicaraguan ambassador to the United States, Guillermo Sevilla Sacasa.

President Chamorro, who continues to publish La Prensa as a mouthpiece of her government, was a Somoza critic like her husband. She was a member of the ruling junta for a short period after the revolution, but she later became disenchanted with the Sandinistas Marxist ideologies.

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#90229u1730 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

	Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2651.73	2679.21	2598.02	2644.80	off	36.64
20 Trans	930.66	937.59	907.48	923.91	off	15.87
15 Utils	201.71	203.16	198.94	201.14	off	1.45
65 Stock	923.35	931.70	904.51	919.76	off	12.52

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	39,372,600	20,323,200
Trans	4,730,500	3,550,500
Utils	2,791,400	2,009,200
65 Stock	46,894,500	25,882,900

Bonds	Close	Net	Chg.
20 Bonds	90.39	off	0.22
10 Public Utils	91.78	off	0.11
10 Industrials	89.01	off	0.32

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100)

closed at 134.22 off 0.22.

-30- 959

#90229u1743 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 17) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Friday - 12,681,000

1990 to date - 1,627,201,000

The market closed lower.

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#90229u1749 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Wal-Mart Strs	4,136,500	28	off 1 1/8
Boeing Co	3,825,000	48 1/2	off 2 1/8
Genl Electric	3,238,700	64	off 7/8
AT&T Company	3,125,700	33 3/8	off 7/8
Genl Motor	2,861,200	37 1/2	off 5/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	2,788,800	30 7/8	off 1
Philip Morris	2,676,900	45 1/4	unch
IBM Corp	2,640,600	101 3/8	off 2 3/8
Amer Express	2,627,800	25 3/8	unch
Exxon Corp	2,489,400	52 1/8	up 3/8
Eastmasn Kodak	2,397,800	41 1/8	off 1 1/4
Funds America	2,345,400	49 1/2	up 1/4
Merck & Co	2,055,100	82 1/8	off 1 5/8
Coca Cola Co	2,012,300	42	off 1 1/8
Fed Nat Mtg wt	1,990,000	16 3/8	off 1 1/8

-30- 1048

#90229u1758 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 40 points higher to 26 points lower.

COTTON:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	70.70	71.65	70.50	70.64	70.90
Dec	68.88	69.45	68.80	69.21	68.89
Mar	70.30	70.74	70.10	70.48	70.12
May	71.15	71.49	70.90	71.40	71.00
Jly	71.65	71.65	70.95	71.00	70.85
Oct	68.80	68.95	68.80	68.95	69.05

Dec	67.75	67.80	67.50	67.52	67.60

Estimated sales: 3,500 contracts

Open interest: 33,936 off 833
The World spot average: 72.71

-30- 703

#90229u1765 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Paine W Gr wtB	1,025,100	5 3/4	up 1/4
Echo Bay Mines	704,800	15 1/8	up 3/8
Corona Corp A	690,300	7	up 1/8
Salomon wt Jan	621,700	14 1/8	up 1/4
Denmark K wt	574,800	15 1/8	up 3/8
Continental Air	436,500	4 7/8	off 1/4
Magma Copper	412,100	5 7/8	up 3/8
N Y Times A	374,600	18 7/8	off 3/8
Eksport wt	327,000	6 1/8	up 1/8
Salomon wt Feb	320,900	15	up 1/8

-30- 813

#90229u1776 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg
400 Ind	392.42	383.04	386.73	off	5.69
20 Trans	238.03	230.91	233.90	off	4.13
40 Utils	134.15	132.04	133.36	off	0.79
40 Fncl	25.05	24.30	24.61	off	0.44
500 Stocks	332.39	324.63	327.83	off	4.56

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#90229u1778 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	392.42	238.03	134.15	25.05	332.39
Opening	387.03	233.93	132.93	24.53	327.82
11 a.m.	387.53	233.05	133.07	24.56	328.22

Noon	386.59	232.92	132.92	24.49	327.45
1 p.m.	383.96	231.17	132.21	24.36	325.33
2 p.m.	383.60	231.03	132.10	24.33	325.03
3 p.m.	385.68	232.14	132.39	24.45	326.65
Close	386.73	233.90	133.36	24.61	327.83
Change	off 5.69	off 4.13	off 0.79	off 0.44	off 4.56

-30- 920

#90229u1780 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6700	off	100
Rockwell pfB	166	off	22
Atl Rchfld pfC	330	up	8
Wash Post	238	off	4 3/4
GTE Corp pf	68 1/4	off	4
ITT Corp pfO	83	off	3 1/2
Deere & Co	57 1/4	off	3 3/8
Marsh & McLenon	67	off	3 1/4
Kyocera Ltd	104 1/4	off	3 1/4
Penney J C	45 1/8	off	3 1/8
Lincoln Natl	45 7/8	off	3 1/8

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#90229u1786 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	24.70-24.75	23.55-23.65
North Sea Brent	28.50-28.55	27.40-27.45
West Texas Intermed	28.60-28.65	27.35-27.40
Light Louisiana Sweet	29.25-29.35	28.05-28.20

New York Harbor spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	98.25-98.50	90.95-91.20
No. 2 Heating oil	79.30-79.55	74.20-74.35

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	95.75-96.00	87.70-87.95
No. 2 Heating oil	77.95-78.15	72.70-72.75

-30- 942

#90229u1800 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	393.49	off	8.78	408.03	461.97
Industrial	420.37	off	10.58	438.24	447.57
Finance	390.17	off	5.76	399.14	550.04
Insurance	457.47	off	6.26	472.99	538.03
Utility	535.84	off	13.32	554.31	719.63
Bank	290.67	off	5.26	299.19	486.73
Transport	434.35	off	7.70	445.78	462.36

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 393.49

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 172.21 off 3.92

Industrial Index 165.90 off 4.28

NASDAQ-100 Index 393.69 off 10.69

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#90229u1802 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

U.S. $ Currency

	Equivalent		per U.S. $	
	Fri	Thurs	Fri	Thurs
Argntn austrl	.000166	.000165	6030.00	6065.00
Australia dlr	.8085	.8057	1.2369	1.2412
Austria schill	.0914	.0910	10.94	10.09
Belgium frnc-c	.0314	.0311	31.89	32.15
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0139	.0140	71.82	71.62
Britain pound	1.9230	1.9075	.5202	.5242
Britain 1-mo	1.9122	1.8966	.5230	.5273
Britain 3-mo	1.8913	1.8755	.5287	.5332
Britain 6-mo	1.8618	1.8458	.5371	.5418
Canada dollar	.8741	.8706	1.1440	1.1486
Canada 1-mo	.8705	.8669	1.1488	1.1536
Canada 3-mo	.8642	.8634	1.1572	1.1582
Canada 6-mo	.8560	.8519	1.1682	1.1739
Chile peso-f	.003437	.003441	290.94	290.63
China yuan	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127
Colombia pes	.001963	.001965	509.54	508.98
Denmark krne	.1685	.1676	5.9360	5.9665
Ecudr sucr-z	.001135	.001122	881.10	891.00
Egypt pound	.3755	.3755	2.6628	2.6628
Finlnd mrkka	.2729	.2711	3.6650	3.6890
France franc	.1924	.1916	5.1975	5.2205
France 1-mo	.1921	.1913	5.2053	5.2280
France 3-mo	.1914	.1906	5.2245	5.2465
France 6-mo	.1903	.1895	5.2558	5.2765
Greece drach	.006566	.006512	152.31	153.56
Hollnd guildr	.5734	.5709	1.7440	1.7516
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1287	7.7705	7.7715
India rupee	.0581	.0580	17.21	17.25
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000542	1844.00	1844.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7325	1.1740	0.5772	0.8518
Israel shekel	.5102	.5102	1.9600	1.9600
Italy lira	.000876	.000874	1142.75	1144.75
Japan yen	.006777	.006771	147.55	147.68
Japan 1-mo	.006781	.006806	147.47	146.93
Japan 3-mo	.006782	.006808	147.45	146.88
Japan 6-mo	.006782	.006813	147.46	146.78
Jordan dinar	1.5399	1.5399	.6494	.6494
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico pes-z	.000348	.000348	2871.00	2872.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6195	.6180	1.6142	1.6181
Norway krne	.1660	.1651	6.0250	6.0575
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.54	21.54

Peru inti	.000035	.000036	285,650	275,800
P'pnes peso-z	.0423	.0423	23.64	23.64
Portugl escd	.007306	.007476	136.87	133.77
Saudi riyal	.2675	.2675	3.7380	3.7380
Singapore dlr	.5585	.5571	1.7905	1.7951
S.Africa rand	.3914	.3899	2.5555	2.5650
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010464	.010428	95.57	95.90
Sweden krona	.1745	.1738	5.7300	5.7530
Switzrl franc	.7794	.7683	1.2830	1.3015
Switzrl 1-mo	.7788	.7679	1.2841	1.3022
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7771	.7673	1.2869	1.3032
Switzrl 6-mo	.7745	.7652	1.2912	1.3068
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.86	26.87
Turkey lira	.000377	.000378	2651.00	2648.00
UAE dirham	.2725	.2725	3.6699	3.6699
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0206	.0207	48.54	48.41
W.Ger Mark	.6456	.6431	1.5490	1.5550
W.Ger 1-mo	.6455	.6430	1.5491	1.5551
W.Ger 3-mo	.6451	.6422	1.5502	1.5571
W.Ger 6-mo	.6430	.6430	1.5553	1.5553
Yugoes dinar	.0940	.0931	10.64	10.74

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90229u1803 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended August 17, 1990.

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	396,141,280	39 1/2	33 1/4	34 1/4	off 1 3/4
Amgen	(AMGN)	276,781,248	49 1/4	42 1/2	45 3/4	off 1
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	272,080,800	57 7/8	48 1/4	49 3/8	off 2
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	247,436,304	31 7/8	26 1/4	27 1/4	off 1/4
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	238,999,568	40 1/4	35 3/4	36 1/2	off 2
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	238,855,200	65 7/8	60	60 1/4	off 1 1/2
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	221,949,920	37	33 1/8	34 1/4	off 3/8
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	200,129,248	78 3/4	71 1/4	75 1/2	off 1 1/2
Conner Prhplr	(CNNR)	133,782,640	25 3/8	20	21 1/4	off 2
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	104,455,320	50 1/2	45 1/4	46	off 1 1/2

NMS volume 550,991,900 shares.

Advances	618
Declines	1,504
Unchanged	694
Total	2,816

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	254.00	255.00	250.50	252.80	255.10
Dec	258.00	2581.0	253.60	255.95	258.40
Mar	....	....	....	259.65	262.10

Previous day volume: 56 contracts.

Open interest: 1,301 up 9

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	330.70	332.40	324.40	328.65	331.75
Dec	334.00	336.10	328.70	332.50	335.65
Mar	337.00	338.60	331.00	335.60	338.90
Jun	342.80	334.50	339.70	343.00	353.10

Today's estimated volume: 59,722 contracts.

Open interest: 131,683 up 2,447

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	181.45	182.05	178.00	180.25	181.65
Dec	182.85	183.60	180.20	182.35	183.75
Mar	....	....	....	184.45	185.85

Open interest: 7,035 up 408

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	544.00	546.40	536.30	540.87	545.85
Sep	546.75	548.00	538.75	543.50	548.00

Estimated volume 5,975 contracts.

Open interest: 7,210 up 696

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NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended August 17:

High	Low	Last	Net change
341.01	331.97	333.61	off 5.71

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#90229u1817 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended August 17:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2699.50	2778.71	2598.02	2644.80	off 71.78
20 Trans	971.53	996.53	907.48	923.91	off 50.91
15 Utils	202.28	206.43	198.94	201.14	off 1.95
65 Stocks	944.03	967.62	904.51	919.76	off 29.12

20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

90.54	90.69	90.39	90.39	off 0.40

Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

133.41	134.67	133.41	134.22	up 0.81

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NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending August 17.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	90.54	90.69	90.39	90.39	off 0.40
10 Utils	91.80	91.89	91.78	91.78	off 0.27
10 Indus	89.29	89.53	89.01	89.01	off 0.51

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#90229u1820 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending August 17:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	401.38	386.73	386.73	off 9.09
20 Trans	245.41	233.90	233.90	off 10.67
40 Utils	136.71	133.36	133.36	off 0.96
40 Fncl	25.82	24.61	24.61	off 1.11
500 Stock	340.06	327.83	327.83	off 7.69

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#90229u1823 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended August 17, 1990:

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Boeing Co	9,793,700	53 1/2	47 5/8	48 1/2	off 4 1/2
Wal-Mart Strs	9,722,500	31 1/8	27 3/4	28	off 1 7/8
IBM Corp	9,425,600	105 3/4	100 3/4	101 3/8	off 5/8
Genl Electric	9,318,900	68 1/4	63	64	off 2 5/8
Philip Morris	8,856,100	47 3/8	42 1/4	45 1/4	off 5/8
Eastman Kodak	7,598,100	43 7/8	40 1/4	40 3/4	off 1/4
AT&T Company	7,177,800	35 1/2	32 3/4	33 3/8	off 1 5/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	7,088,900	33 7/8	29 7/8	30 7/8	off 3
Global Marine	6,899,400	6 1/2	5 3/4	6 3/8	up 1/2
Genl Motor	6,773,500	40 5/8	36 3/8	37 1/2	off 2
Amer Express	6,602,900	27 1/2	24 3/4	25 3/8	off 2 1/8
United Telecom	6,560,700	27 1/4	25 3/8	25 3/4	off 1/2
Exxon Corp	6,210,800	52 3/4	50 7/8	52 1/8	up 1/2
GTE Corp	6,162,700	27 5/8	25 5/8	26 1/4	off 3/8
Texas Utils	5,929,500	36 5/8	35 1/2	35 3/4	off 3/8
Bristol MS	5,777,900	62 3/8	59	59 5/8	off 1 5/8
Johnson & Jhnsn	5,131,600	69 3/8	64 1/8	65 7/8	off 1/4
Coca Cola Co	5,079,700	45	41 5/8	42	off 1 3/4
Navistar Intl	4,997,500	3 3/8	2 3/4	2 7/8	off 1/2
Compaq Cmptr	4,967,500	56 5/8	49 1/2	50 1/8	off 3 3/4

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#90229u1826 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - The 10 most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended August 17, 1990:

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
ENSCO	3,237,500	5 1/8	4 1/4	4 5/8	up 1/4
Paine W Gr wtB	2,924,500	6	4 3/8	5 3/4	up 7/8
Salomon wt Jan	2,904,900	14 1/2	11 7/8	14 1/8	up 1 1/4
Corona Corp A	2,682,600	7	6 1/2	7	up 5/8
Echo Bay Mines	2,670,900	15 1/8	13 5/8	15 1/8	up 1 3/8
Denmark k wt	2,352,400	15 3/8	12 7/8	15 1/8	up 1 1/8
Fruit of Loom	2,122,600	12 3/4	11 1/4	12	up 1/2
Continental Air	2,089,000	6 3/4	4 7/8	4 7/8	off 1 5/8
Wang Labs B	1,968,700	3 5/8	3	3 1/4	off 1/4
Eksport wt	1,678,600	6 3/8	4 3/4	6 1/8	up 1

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#90229u1831 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Friday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	146,945,700
Advances	522
Declines	1,616
Unchanged	2,136
Total	4,274

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#90229u1844 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, West Germany (AUG. 17) UPI - Negotiations to merge the two Germanys hit a new snag Friday when East Germany's Social Democratic Party insisted it would not support a key unification treaty under its present form.

Senior government officials in Bonn warned that if the Social Democrats in East Berlin do not back the treaty, unification would be set down in a transitional law passed unilaterally by the West German Parliament.

Otto Graf Lambsdorff, chairman of the Free Democratic Party - the junior partner in the West German government coalition - said he would reluctantly support such an option, which he said would look like an ''anschluss,'' referring to the Nazi annexation of Austria in 1938.

East Germany's Social Democratic leaders will hold a special session Sunday at which they are expected to endorse a decision by the party leadership to quit the government coalition of Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Friday the decision concerned only East Germany, but he urged the Social Democrats not to withold support for the Unification Treaty. The party's votes are essential to obtain the two-thirds parliamentary majority required to pass the document.

Social Democratic leader Wolfgang Thierse said, however, that ''if the unification treaty is not considerably improved, we can only vote with a no.''

The party says the treaty, which deals with the legal, financial and technical aspect of unification, does not give East Germans enough guarantees of social security.

Government officials in Bonn were considering the possibility of passing a ''transitional law'' if the Social Democrats do not support the treaty.

The option entails that East Germany declare its wish to accede and hands over power to the West German government. A number of East German deputies

would join the West German Parliament but with little power.

Lambsdorff said this option would leave East Germans little influence over their own fate.

Chancellery Minister Rudolf Seiters warned that the East German Social Democrats and their West German sister-party would ''bear the responsibility for the grave consequences.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	15	11	8
New lows	326	154	123

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	270	30,647,700
Declines	1,364	148,184,400
Unchanged	363	33,727,900
Total	1,997	212,560,000

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#90229u1851 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	402.22	389.65	393.49	off 8.78
Industrial	428.83	415.58	420.37	off 10.58
Finance	395.49	387.99	390.17	off 5.76
Insurance	463.30	454.16	457.47	off 6.26
Utility	544.04	529.33	535.84	off 13.32
Bank	295.22	287.10	290.67	off 5.26
Transport	440.45	429.26	434.35	off 7.70

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-17) 393.49

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	172.21	off 3.92
Industrial Index	165.90	off 4.28
NASDAQ-100 Index	393.69	off 10.69

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share 8.95 off 0.17

Volume 119,434,704 shares

Advances	439
Declines	1,256
Unchanged	1,123
Total	2,818

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(AUG. 17) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	8
New lows	113

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	132	5,608,700
Declines	483	7,653,800
Unchanged	189	2,857,500
Total	804	16,120,000

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(AUG. 17) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Aug 17, 1990	25	271	226	612	157	995
Aug 10, 1990	32	307	234	614	162	1010
Aug 18, 1989	75	39	368	446	198	1012

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(AUG. 17) Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended August 17, 1990:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6700	off 75
Curtiss-Wright	36 7/8	off 27 5/8
Deere & Co	57 1/4	off 9
Natl Convnce	63	off 6 3/8
Penney J C	45 1/8	off 6 1/8
UAL Corp	101 1/2	off 6
British Petrol	86	up 5 3/4
InterTan Inc	29 1/8	off 5 5/8
Fedl Hone Ln	62 3/8	off 5 5/8

Rhone Poulence	62 3/8	up	5 1/2
Fedl Express	34 3/8	off	5 1/4
AmBase Inc	2 1/8	off	5 1/4
Boise Cascade	31 1/2	off	5 1/8
Wells Fargo	57 1/2	off	4 7/8
Lilly Eli wt	70 3/4	off	4 7/8

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(AUG. 17) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.34	8.44	8.93
91-day Treasury bills	7.72	7.76	8.15
182-day Treasury bills	7.81	7.86	7.86
1-year Treasury bills	7.82	7.82	7.73
3-year Treasury notes	8.24	8.25	8.22
7-year Treasury notes	8.68	8.66	8.17
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.94	8.92	8.15
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.35	9.35	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.95	9.95	9.25
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.22	9.18	9.27
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.50	9.43	9.18
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.53	9.48	9.41
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.52	9.47	9.39

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90229u1898 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

TUCSON, AZ (AUG. 17) UPI - Foster Grant Corp., one of the leading manufacturers of sunglasses, has filed for reorganization under Chapter 11 of federal bankruptcy laws, the company announced Friday.

Company officials said the bankruptcy petition was filed Thursday in Tucson to avoid an anticipated cash flow problem and that it was necessary to help Foster Grant achieve a sound business footing.

Chapter 11 gives a company protection from creditors while it develops a

plan for reorganization.

Foster Grant employs about 125 people in its main distribution center in Tucson. It has about 250 employees at production, molding and assembly operations in Nogales, Mexico, and about 100 employees at its Technical Products Division in Leominster, Mass., a suburb of Boston.

Foster Grant had sales of more than $50 million in 1989, 75 percent of that in sunglasses. It also manufactures reading glasses and products for the computer, automotive, sporting goods and electro-mechanical industries.

Company officials said sales have dropped because of fierce competition from products manufactured in the Far East. Foster Grant is the only mass-market sunglass company in the United States that makes its own sunglasses and reading glasses.

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#90229u1903 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - Estimates are that 45-thousand more Marines began boarding ships in the United States today for Saudi Arabia. The Pentagon woN'T confirm the numbers. If they are correct, the number of U-S soldiers in the region will increase to more than 100-thousand in the next few weeks.

Hundreds of Palestinian Moslems in Israel today showed solidarity with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein by burning U-S flags and denouncing foreign intervention in the Persian Gulf. The protesters also burned British and Israeli flags.

The space agency says it suddenly regained contact with the Magellan probe of Venus today... after 14 hours with NO sign of life. Officials were holding a news conference in Pasadena, California, when excited engineers burst in to announce the good news.

Jurors took a break for the weekend with NO verdict in the trial of three former Northwest Airlines pilots accused of flying under the influence of alcohol. The jury deliberated only three hours in Minneapolis today because the judge left town for a wedding.

Producers are expected to reinstate the 10-Million-dollar Broadway production of ''Miss Saigon.'' They withdrew plans to stage the musical hit after Actor's Equity barred the casting of a white actor in a Eurasian role. The union reversed its decision yesterday.

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#90229u1907 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - Largest net changes among AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended August 17, 1990:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Americus HWP ut	37 1/4	off	12 1/8
Seaboard Corp	108	off	7
Kansas Gs E pf	78	up	6
Ford Canada	142	off	4
Dataram Corp	12	off	3 3/4
Turner Brd B	37	off	3
SCE Corp pfK	82	off	3
Crown Centrl A	25 3/8	off	2 7/8
ATI Medical	7	off	2 7/8
Turner Brd A	38 5/8	off	2 7/8

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#90229u1910 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - A London tabloid is under fire for running a sexually suggestive headline with a photograph of Prince Charles with his arm around another woman. The photo was taken as Charles comforted an old friend after she learned her four-year-old daughter has cancer.

A Baltimore woman whose driver's license was challenged because she weighs 367 pounds has passed a driver's test that will allow her to stay on the road. Maryland officials ordered Regina Guy to take the test to prove that she could drive safely, despite her size.

Restaurant and hotel owners in Maine say business has taken a nose-dive since thousands of rotting fish began decaying in local coves. Huge schools of menhaden died two weeks ago when they were chased into coastal waters by marauding bluefish.

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#90229u1911 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended August 17 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	122,825,430	240,460,160	824,800	2,101,900
Tuesday	130,329,970	231,580,510	886,700	1,367,900
Wednesday	135,269,180	190,378,920	799,900	1,366,700
Thursday	138,861,670	155,818,480	1,319,600	1,110,500
Friday	212,556,510	145,341,890	3,619,800	1,254,900
Total	739,842,760	963,579,960	7,450,800	7,201,000

Bonds

	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 18,063,000	$ 70,903,000
Tuesday	$ 32,638,000	$ 66,085,000
Wednesday	$ 35,604,000	$ 55,360,000
Thursday	$ 37,332,000	$ 46,992,000
Friday	$ 41,826,000	$ 33,128,000
Total	$165,463,000	$272,468,000

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#90229u1912 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Wk Ago	Change	
Federal funds rate	8.34	8.01	up	0.33
91-day Treasury bills	7.72	7.39	up	0.33
182-day Treasury bills	7.81	7.30	up	0.51
1-year Treasury bills	7.82	7.16	up	0.66
3-year Treasury notes	8.24	8.12	up	0.12
7-year Treasury notes (new)	8.68	8.55	up	0.13
30-year Treasury bond (new)	8.94	8.78	up	0.16
10-year Bell Telephone bond	9.35	9.25	up	0.10
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.95	9.88	up	0.07
GNMA 11 1/2 15-year mortgage	9.22	9.10	up	0.12
GNMA 12 1/2 30-year mortgage	9.50	9.39	up	0.11
F12 1/2 30-year mortgage	9.53	9.44	up	0.09
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.52	9.42	up	0.10

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90229u1913 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended August 17:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	187.14	178.78	180.19	off 3.96

Industrial	233.75	223.05	224.79	off	4.90
Transportation	152.05	143.06	144.72	off	6.10
Utilities	88.42	85.35	86.00	off	0.99
Finance	132.57	126.19	127.23	off	4.48

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#90229u1930 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

CLEVELAND (AUG. 17) UPI - A lawyer representing New York Yankees owners says baseball Commissioner Fay Vincent threatened to take ''retaliatory action'' against anyone who takes part in a suit filed by two minority owners against Major League Baseball.

Cleveland attorney Mark B. Cohn would not go into detail on who Vincent had threatened or what type of measures the commissioner allegedly had proposed to take but said he was upset by Vincent's actions.

''I'm going to raise the issue of the commissioner threatening people that if they participate in this lawsuit he's going to take retaliatory action against them,'' Cohn said before going into the chambers of U.S. District Judge Alice Batchelder Friday afternoon.

A spokesman for Vincent said Cohn's statements were inaccurate.

''We haven't threatened anybody, but we have asked the limited partners where they stand on the issue,'' Richard Levin said.

There are 18 limited partners.

Cohn is representing two Yankees minority owners in their efforts to void an agreement between Major League Baseball and George Steinbrenner that forces the team's general partner to relinquish control of the team by Monday, Aug. 20.

Minority owners Daniel McCarthy and Harold Bowman filed the suit.

Meanwhile, both Steinbrenner and Robert Nederlander, nominated by the Yankees limited partners to take over as general partner on an interim basis, issued statements saying they were not a party to the lawsuit.

Attorneys for Steinbrenner, however, issued a statement late Friday that called on baseball owners to investigate Vincent's actions.

''In light of the serious allegations raised by the lawsuit, including tampering with the sworn testimony of Mr. Steinbrenner and others, we believe a complete and thorough investigation of the commissioner's actions must be conducted,'' said the statement. ''Accordingly, the owners should appoint an independent counsel to do this immediately.''

The statement also said ''If these charges are true, then clearly the best interests of baseball have been badly served.''

Batchelder and attorneys from both sides met privately twice Friday to discuss what was termed ''preliminary matters'' by one of Batchelder's law clerks. A hearing on the suit will begin at 9 a.m. EDT Monday.

The suit, filed Thursday, seeks to prohibit Vincent from enforcing an agreement signed July 30 by Steinbrenner after an 11-hour meeting with the commissioner, in which Steinbrenner agreed to give up control of the team. The partners voted Wednesday to have Nederlander take over, pending approval of baseball owners.

McCarthy, a Cleveland tax attorney, is one of Steinbrenner's lawyers.

In a letter sent to his limited partners last week, Steinbrenner reportedly cautioned them against taking any legal action against the commissioner. Steinbrenner stressed that he was opposed to such action, reiterating that any involvement on his part would be a direct violation of the agreement he signed with Vincent.

The statement issued Friday by his attorneys said Steinbrenner will comply with Vincent's order.

Levin also said Nederlander sent Vincent a letter stating that he was not part of the lawsuit.

''I wish to advise you that this action was brought without my consent or participation,'' Nederlander wrote to Vincent.

The suit claims baseball, Vincent and special investigator John Dowd find Steinbrenner ''fiercely unpopular'' and believe he is a ''blight on baseball.'' It also alleges that Vincent ''has been waiting for the opportunity and excuse to rid himself and the game of this blight.''

Vincent ordered Steinbrenner to step down and to cease all activity dealing with the day-to-day running of the ballclub because of his dealing with admitted gambler Howard Spira. The commissioner said Steinbrenner's conduct had not been in the best interests of baseball.

Steinbrenner paid Spira $40,000 last year but the suit claims baseball knew of Steinbrenner's relationship with Spira and that ''Steinbrenner (had) no reason to believe that the contacts with Spira were in any way improper or prohibited, but also that the commissioner's office condoned and approved of those contacts.''

''(McCarthy and Bowman) claim they are entitled to have Steinbrenner be

the managing general manager of the New York Yankees and the commissioner is interfering with that relationship,'' Cohn said.

Cohn said McCarthy and Bowman think Vincent's ruling was ''wrongfully based'' and they ''object to the way the investigation and hearing were conducted.''

The minority owners are seeking a temporary restraining order and preliminary and permanent injunctions barring Vincent and Dowd from carrying out their penalty against Steinbrenner.

The suit charges Vincent with carrying out a plan to drive Steinbrenner from baseball. The suit said Vincent used ''vague and ill-defined powers vested in the commissioner'' to force Steinbrenner to step down.

The suit also claims that ''no commissioner has ever imposed a penalty for the violation of a previously unannounced standard.''

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#90229u1934 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	180.52	178.78	180.19	off 2.54
Industrial	225.25	223.05	224.79	off 3.31
Transport	144.72	143.06	144.72	off 2.36
Utility	86.10	85.35	86.00	off 0.83
Finance	127.29	126.19	127.23	off 2.05

Equivalent to a loss of 45 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 212,560,000 shares.

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#90229u1947 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - The text of a statement released Friday by attorneys Paul J. Curran and Stephen E. Kaufman on behalf of New York Yankees general partner George Steinbrenner regarding a suit filed in U.S. District Court in Cleveland by Yankees minority owners against Major League Baseball:

''Mr. Steinbrenner is not a party to the lawusit filed in Cleveland (Thursday) and is on record as opposing its filing. He has been complying, and will continue to comply with, the July 30 agreement with the commissioner, and he expects the commissioner to do the same.

''However, in light of the serious allegations raised by the lawsuit - including tampering with the sworn testimony of Mr. Steinbrenner and others - we believe a complete and thorough investigation of the commissioner's actions must be conducted. Accordingly, the owners should appoint an independent counsel to do this immediately.

''The critical issue is whether these allegations are true or false. The owners, the players, and above all the fans, deserve to know the truth. If these charges are true, then clearly the 'best interests of baseball' have been badly served.

''These charges are far too serious to be dismissed summarily, to be covered up, or to be avoided by hiding behind legal technicalities.''

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#90229u1976 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTIC CITY, NJ (AUG. 17) UPI - State casino regulators on Friday approved a reorganization plan to bring Merv Griffin's Resorts International casino hotel out of bankruptcy.

The ruling by the state Casino Control Commission came one day after U.S. Bankruptcy Court Judge Rosemary Gambardella accepted the restructuring plan that will reduce Resorts' debt load to $434 million from the present $931 million.

Resorts has been under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection since December.

''With the plan in place, Resorts will be able to generate sufficient cash flow to maintain its operations and service its debt even if it were to experience no growth,'' said Acting Commission Chairwoman Valerie Armstrong.

The plan received a less enthusiastic endorsement from the state Division of Gaming Enforcment, which advises the commission. DGE Director Anthony Parrillo has questioned the company's ability to meet its reduced debt in the face of declining gambling revenues.

The restructuring has already been approved by Resort's bondholders, who agreed to write off interest payments in exchange for 78 percent of the company's stock. Griffin has agreed to contribute $26 million of his own money.

Armstrong noted that the plan's chances for success hinge on the sale by Resorts of its casino hotel on Paradise Island in the Bahamas. Resorts hopes to sell the property for as much as $300 million.

Proceeds from the Bahamas property, combined with the money Resorts receives in rent from the Showboat casino hotel, which sits on land owned by Resorts, could conceivably pay off the company's entire debt, Parrillo said.

Under the restructuring plan, Resorts will not have to make payments on its principal for the next five years. The plan also reduces Resorts' interest payments over the next five years from $586 million to $274 million.

The commission also approved a part of the plan in which Resorts will provide $5 million to its bondholders to sue Donald Trump over his controversial purchase of the unfinished Taj Mahal Casino Resort from Griffin in November 1988.

Resorts, which in 1978 became the city's first casino hotel, has seen its gambling revenues and market share erode in recent years. Between 1983 and 1989, revenues slipped from $252 million to $227 while market share declinedfrom 14.3 percent to 8.1 percent. Through May of this year, market share had plunged to 6.8 percent.

The company plans to reverse that trend with an ambitious marketing strategy that caters to low-stakes gamblers and capitalizes on Griffin's name recognition. Griffin was a popular syndicated and network television personality for a number of years, after breaking into show business during the 1940s as a singer.

Gone are the high-priced entertainers and the private jets once used to fly in high rollers. Resorts will instead spend its money - some $35 million this year - on sprucing up the casino hotel. More than $4 million of that will be used to buy new slot machines.

Resorts also hopes to lure frugal gamblers away from the nearby Taj Mahal with a low-cost buffet.

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#90229u1979 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 459.19, off 1.52 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90229u1982 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

KNIN, Yugoslavia (AUG. 17) UPI - Shotgun-toting citizens and rebellious police with machine guns Friday barricaded approaches to the largest

Serbian town in Croatia to prevent security forces from stopping a referendum on Serbian autonomy.

''We are expecting them (security forces) to come from various directions '' said Laza Macura, the vice president of the municipal assembly of Knin. ''I think they hope to conquer towns around us and then come after us.''

He said the blockades were erected around Knin, 500 miles southwest of Belgrade, after government officials allegedly ordered police to raid two Serbian-majority villages before dawn to secure the police station armories.

State-run radio said that in one raid, villagers poured from their homes and ''expelled'' the police. There was no word on casualties.

Many observers fear the referendum on Serbian autonomy, set to begin Sunday, could lead to bloody confrontations between Yugoslavia's Orthodox Serbs and Roman Catholic Croats. Their historical hatred for each other has been revived and exploited by politicians of both ethnic groups while the country tries to shake 45 years of communist rule.

The Serbian-Croatian rivalry is regarded as the most serious of a number of ethnic disputes that have raised fears that the situation in Yugoslavia could lead to civil war.

The fervently nationalist Croatian government of President Franjo Tudjman has vowed to prevent 11 communities in the Knin region from holding the 3-week-long referendum that asks if the republic's 600,000 Serbs should have autonomy.

Serbs in other parts of Yugoslavia have threatened to join those in Knin if Tudjman employs force.

The raids were staged because the Croatian government apparently fears that Serbian police officers, who comprise 70 percent of its force, would help ensure the referendum goes ahead.

That concern was justified in Knin, where some 120 officers - the entire active and reserve force - refused to follow orders from the republic's capital of Zagreb to cooperate in halting the referendum.

About half a dozen rebel officers wearing ammunition pouches and carrying AK-47 assault rifles were posted outside the local radio station in the center of the town to defend its only source of public information.

Macura said an undisclosed number of officers were on patrol or were positioned at approaches to the town of 50,000 people, 88 percent of whom are Serbian.

''Our boys are with us,'' he said.

The largest Serbian community in Croatia was accessible only via a narrow backroad. The main highways were blocked by barricades of rocks, earth-filled dump trucks and uprooted metal median dividers.

''If Tudjman's army comes here, we will fight,'' said a youth at one barricade.

As evening fell, groups of men stood along the main street of Knin, the atmosphere pensive and tense.

The referendum is being sponsored by the Serbian Democratic Party, which three weeks ago declared autonomy for Serbs in Croatia and set up a 14-member council to guide their affairs.

Serbs in Croatia claim they will loose their rights and culture under Tudjman, a cashiered army general who in April led his extreme nationalist Croatian Democratic Society to victory in assembly elections that ended 45 years of communist rule.

Tudjman has been aggresively playing to Croatian sentiments, passing constitutional amendments downgrading the status of Croatia's Serbs from a nationality to a minority. He has also provoked Serbs with his call for Yugoslavia's conversion from a federation of six republics into a confederation of six independent states.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.58	10.27
Anchor Fund Inv	14.90	15.81
Delaware Mutual	17.05	18.28
Fidelity Fund	16.89	16.89
Investors Mutual	11.03	11.61
Investors Stocks	18.29	19.25
Invest Select	8.25	8.69
IDS Equity Plus	9.11	9.59
Mass Inv Growth	8.63	9.30
Nicholas Fund	3.34	3.34
United Accumulated	6.43	7.03
United Income	17.32	18.93
Vanguard Wellington	16.36	16.36

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Inv Group: 8-16

IDS Discovery	8.25	8.69

IDS Growth	21.99	23.15
IDS New Dimension	10.02	10.54
IDS Progressive	5.54	5.83
IDS Equity Plus	9.11	9.59

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Mutual Funds 8-16

Am Growth	7.30	7.89
Dreyfus	11.31	11.31
Fcl Ind Fund	4.50	4.50
Keystone Gr	7.05	7.05
United Income	17.32	18.93

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#90229u2012 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEWARK, NJ (AUG. 17) UPI - A shareholder's suit charges that Frank Lorenzo illegally sold his position as chairman of Continental Airlines when SAS paid four times the going price for stock in the airline, a lawyer said Friday.

Continental stockholder M. Barnett Gillman of Lauderdale Lakes, Fla., asked a federal judge to declare the deal void. He also seeks damages and payment of his legal expenses.

The suit, filed last week in federal court in Newark, names Lorenzo, Continental Airlines Holdings Inc., Scandinavian Airline System, Jet Capital Corp. and members of the Continental board as defendants.

Gillman's lawyer, Andrew Davidovits of New York, said the case turns on ''an esoteric point of corporation law'' that bars corporate directors from selling their offices.

SAS paid $14 per share for 2.25 million shares of Continental stock Aug. 9 increasing the Scandinavian line's share of the Houston company to 16.8 percent. SAS also paid $21 million for Jet Capital which owns a large share of Continential and had been 80 percent owned by Lorenzo and its other directors.

SAS President Jan Carlzon replaced Lorenzo as Continental chairman and chief executive officer, although he remains a director.

''When Scandinavian Airlines, which already has a stake in the company, pays such an enormous premium, they're indirectly trying to do what they can't do directly, which is own an American airline,'' Davidovits said.

Continental spokesman Ned Walker said the agreement ''was thoroughly examined and approved by the independent directors.''

''It was clearly negotiated to be in the best interests of the shareholders,'' he added.

SAS acquired a 9.9 percent stake in Continental in October 1988. The two airlines also have a joint operating agreement to provide service from the United States to Scandinavia through Continental's Newark hub.

In his complaint, Gillman charged that Continental was mismanaged and loaded with junk-bond debt so that the company lost millions of dollars and its stock dropped from a high of $23 per share in 1989 to $4.50 per share Aug. 8.

A judge signed an order Tuesday speeding up discovery in the case and setting a hearing in September, Davidovits said.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Bond Calendar - New Issues Scheduled for Public Sale

U.S. GOVERNMENT & FEDERAL AGENCIES (Week of August 20)

Aug. 20 - $18.4 billion in 13- and 26-week T-bills ($2.275 billion new cash).
Aug. 23 - $10.5 billion in 52-week T-bills ($1.2 billion new cash).

TAX-EXEMPT NOTES & BONDS (Week of August 20) - Courtesy of The Bond Buyer
(Issues are to be negotiated unless otherwise noted.)

$550 million Texas tax and revenue anticipation notes.
$450 million Philadelphia deficit notes.
$255 million Jacksonville, Fla., Electric Authority revenue bonds.
$175 million District of Columbia general obligation bonds.
$150 million Hawaii general obligation bonds.
$125 million Delaware Transportation Authority.
$104.6 million New York City Housing Development Corp. revenue bonds.
$95 million Lubbock, Texas, Health Facility Development Corp. revenue bonds.
$53.75 million Clark County, Nev., general obligations bonds (competitive).
$40 million California Pollution Control Financing Authority revenue bonds.
$40 million New York City Trust for Cultural Resources revenue bonds.

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#90229u2051 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - The Pentagon says two U-S Navy ships intercepted two

Iraqi vessels in the Persian Gulf today. But the Iraqi ships were allowed to proceed after the Americans determined they were empty. The two American ships involved were the U-S-S England, a guided missile cruiser... and the U-S-S Bradley, a guided missile frigate. The interception occurred off the Kuwaiti coast.

A fifth straight day of factional violence in the South African black city of Soweto today claimed the lives of 22 people... bringing the death toll to 188. The clashes between Zulu tribesmen and African National Congress supporters follow an emotional appeal for calm by Nelson Mandela. Most of the victims were clubbed or hacked to death with machetes by rival fighters.

The National Park Service says 22 people were hurt when a tour bus overturned in Katmai National Park in Alaska. Six seriously injured passengers were flown 300 miles to an Anchorage hospital following yesterday's accident. The accident occurred when the driver pulled over to the side of a gravel road to let the tourists look at the scenery. Katmai National Park is so remote that the only access is by amphibious plane.

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#90229u2052 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) UPI - Two U.S. Navy warships made the first intercepts of Iraqi shipping in the Persian Gulf Friday when two Iraqi ships were intercepted off the coast of Bahrain.

The vessels were determined to be empty and the ships, which were headed to Iraq, were allowed to proceed, a Pentagon spokesman said.

The ships were not boarded because they appeared to be riding high in the water and on-scene commanders decided there was no need to check further for cargo after challenging the vessels.

The ships were about 15 miles south of the 27 North Latitude line below which U.S. forces in the Gulf are under orders to stop shipping to and from Iraq.

The two U.S. vessels involved, both attached to the Joint Task Force-Middle East that is patrolling the Gulf, were the guided missile cruiser USS England and the USS Bradley, a guided missile cruiser.

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#90229u2062 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) UPI - The Pentagon said Friday elements of the Army's 1st Cavalry Divison and 2nd Armored Division, both based at Fort Hood, Texas, have begun preparations to go to Saudi Arabia as part of

Operation Desert Shield.

In addition, the Pentagon said nine ships of the Military Sealift Command's Ready Reserve Fleet have been activated and are moving to loading ports, and others among the 96 vessels in the fleet are being activated.

The Air Force, an announcement said, has deployed four air-transportable hospitals to the region. Medical personnel have come from MacDill Air Force Base in Florida, Langley Air Force Base in Virginia, Shaw Air Force Base in South Carolina and Seymour Johnson Air Force Base in North Carolina. The air-transportable hospitale from Myrtle Beach Air Force Base in South Carolina also is preparing to deploy.

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#90229u2067 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - Florida State University edged out prestigious Massachusetts Institute of Technology in a bid to house what is envisioned as the world's leading magnetic research laboratory. In making the announcement today, National Science Foundation officials say they chose the Tallahassee, Florida, school in part because of the state's pledge of long-term financial and man-hour support.

Aides to Republican Party chief Lee Atwater say he will undergo new radiation treatments to attack a growing brain tumor. A spokeswoman for the Republican National Committee said Atwater is alert in a Washington, D-C, hospital. She said Atwater is ''fighting with everything he's got.''

Exporters say several hundred tons of frozen chickens destined for Kuwait are stuck in France because of the embargo against Iraq. Three firms have halted shipments to Kuwait. The chickens are in cold storage, waiting for buyers.

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#90229u2122 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

HAUPPAUGE, NY (AUG. 17) UPI - A Long Island man awaiting arraignment on a petty larceny charge wandered out of the courtroom and allegedly burglarized a judge's chambers, officials said Friday.

Administrative Judge Ira Block said Robert Elliby, 32, was waiting to be arraigned Thursday night when he wandered from a first-floor courtroom to the fourth-floor chambers of Judge John Mullen and allegedly stole a videocassette recorder.

The man also wandered into an adjacent room and allegedly snatched a desk-top clock.

But Block said Elliby's venture went awry when a janitor saw him walking down a hallway allegedly carrying the stolen items and notified building security.

Elliby was arrested at about 7 p.m. Thursday by a state district court officer, Suffolk County police said.

Block explained that the area where the burglary occurred is normally locked, but an entry door was under repair and the temporary door had no lock on it.

Block said he did not have any details of Elliby's arrest on the petty larceny charge.

In court Friday, Elliby was arraigned on both the petty larceny and burglary charges.

When Elliby was unable to post $5,000 bail, Judge Lawrence Newmark ordered him locked up in the county jail in Riverhead.

Elliby returns to court on Wednesday for a hearing on the charges.

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#90229u2133 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

BARTOW, FL. (AUG. 17) UPI - A man convicted of drowning his stepson in a toilet was sentenced Friday to life in prison, ending a precedent-setting case that led to reform in the state's child welfare system.

Polk County Circuit Judge Randall McDonald also sentenced Thomas Coe, 23, to 15 years in prison for aggravated child abuse in the July, 28, 1989, death of Bradley McGee, 2, of Lakeland. Coe dunked the boy headfirst into the toilet after the child soiled his pants.

Coe admitted during the trial that he dunked the toddler in the toilet, but said he did not intend to kill the boy during what he called toilet-training punishment.

Coe, who was shackled, showed no emotion during the 10-minute sentencing hearing in a packed courtroom.

The 15-year prison term was to run consecutively with the life term for first-degree murder, McDonald said. Coe will be eligible for parole in 25 years.

McDonald said he did not sentence Coe to death in the electric chair because a Fort Myers jury on July 30 split 6-to-6 at a death penalty

hearing. A majority is needed for a jury to recommend death.

McDonald received dozens of letters and petitions from residents urging him to sentence Coe to death in the electric chair. McDonald, however, said earlier that he did not read the letters because he did not want them to sway his decision. The judge said it was the most letters he had ever received in a case.

The toddler's death resulted in unprecedented criminal charges against four child welfare workers and reform of the state's child welfare program with the passage of the Bradley McGee Act by state lawmakers.

Pam Kirkland, the foster mother who took care of Bradley McGee for a year and a half after he was abandoned by Thomas Coe and the toddler's mother, Sheryl McGee Coe, was upset with the sentence, but said, ''We will go on with our lives.''

''We will cherish our fond memories of Bradley,'' she said.

Kirkland had wanted to adopt the child, but state welfare workers decided to return the toddler to the Coes two months before his death.

Sheryl Coe pleaded no contest in March to second-degree murder and aggravated child abuse in Bradley's death as part of a plea bargain agreement and was sentenced to 30 years in prison.

Four child welfare workers were charged with failing to report child abuse following the toddler's death, and one also was charged with felony child abuse.

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#90229u2149 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) UPI - The Justice Department filed a lawsuit Friday against Charles Keating to compel him to reveal his assets to federal regulators who look for restitution from the former Lincoln Savings and Loan chairman.

The Justice Department said it acted on behalf of the Office of Thrift Supervision seeking enforcement of a temporary cease and desist order issued by the OTS Aug. 9 concerning transactions by Keating and others as officers and directors of the failed Lincoln Savings and Loan of Irvine, Calif.

The OTS is the federal agency in charge of supervising the thrift industry.

Filed in federal district court in Los Angeles, the suit requires Keating to provide an accounting of his assets to the OTS, to refrain from

transferring any assets out of the United States and to give the OTS 48 hours notice of any transaction in excess of $5,000.

The Justice Department said that discussions between a counsel for Keating and the government failed to produce an agreement on Keating's compliance with the OTS order, prompting the lawsuit.

In addition to filing the lawsuit, the Justice Department applied for a temporary restraining order to enforce the OTS' order immediately.

Regulators are seeking restitution from Keating and his associates for $40.9 million in losses from the failure of Lincoln Savings and Loan, which was seized by the government in April 1989.

The collapse of the federally insured Lincoln Savings is expected to cost taxpayers $2.5 billion, making it the most expensive thrift failure to date. Regulators said Keating operated the thrift in a reckless and often illegal manner.

Keating, who made millions in Arizona real estate before he bought Lincoln in 1984, claims the thrift's collapse cost him everything.

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#90229u2167 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - Bond investors, recalling that discretion is the better part of valor, stepped aside Friday after days of heavy losses on war and inflation fears to leave the Treasury market mostly moving sideways.

Heavy bloodletting in the market Thursday, when bond prices crashed and yields took flight on the news that retail prices surged 0.4 percent in July, led many players to leave the field of battle.

With the outcome of the U.S.-Iraqi standoff in the Persian Gulf as uncertain as ever, analysts said, there seemed little reason for active trading when the only direction bonds were likely to take was down.

''Basically, the bond market did nothing today,'' said Scott Winningham, chief market analyst for Stone & McCarthy Research Associates Inc. ''With the weekend coming up, I don't think people wanted to adjust positions.

''It was a pretty quiet day for the first time in a while,'' said money market analyst Kevin Flanagan of Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. ''But the market continues to have a negative bias to it.''

At close of trading, the benchmark 30-year bond, the 8 3/4 of 2020, was quoted at 98 to yield 8.94 percent, against 99 23/32 and 8.78 percent a

week before. The drop of 1 3/4 points meant a loss of $17.50 for every $1,000 face value. But the long bond was unchanged in Friday's session.

As with the dollar, the question was whether bond prices would stay on the downward path they took when Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 9. Costlier oil has set inflation bells ringing in the bond market and depressed prices.

Expectations of higher inflation push down bond prices because inflation eats away at the fixed return of Treasury securities.

This week's report that the inflation-measuring consumer price index rose 0.4 percent in July added to the damage wrought by Iraq. On Thursday, the 30-year bond lost more than 1 1/2 points and its yield accordingly soared.

Bond yields have risen dramatically - by nearly a half percentage point on the long end since late July, when Iraqi President Saddam Hussein began his saber-rattling - but this has happened without creating much interest.

''There may be at 9 percent or above,'' said Flanagan, ''but at this level there don't seem to be any buyers stepping up to the plate.''

''Investors have, I think, fully adjusted for inflation,'' Winningham said adding: ''I think it remains to be seen where we go forward.''

Recession predictions ought to be improving bond prices, but players shrugged off news Friday of a 2.9 percent decrease in imports included in the government's monthly trade report for July. Other markets took this as yet another strong indicator of U.S. economic slowing.

''It had very little effect,'' Winningham said. ''In light of everything else that's happening, it just didn't seem to be that important.''

The total unpredictability of Mideast events aside, economic fundamentals are leaving the bond market with no place to go.

''A soft economy together with relatively high inflation is the classic prescription for investor paralysis,'' wrote James Kochan, chief fixed-income strategist for Merrill Lynch Capital Markets, in a newsletter.

The Iraqi-launched oil shock has probably tied the Federal Reserve's hand on lowering short-term interest rates to jog the economy, he said, for fear of unleashing inflation. Long-term bond prices usually rise when short-term rates come down, making fixed yields more attractive.

Winningham agreed the market consensus is that Fed policymakers won't lower the key Fed funds rate any time soon. ''Any expectation that they are going to ease has been totally eliminated from market prices,'' he said.

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#90229u2223 08/17/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 17) UPI - As U-S Marines pour into Saudi Arabia, Saudi citizens are abandoning hot spots where they believe war might break out. The streets of Dhahran are reported to be all but deserted, as residents flee the port city about 200 miles south of Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. Most Saudis are moving inland to Jeddah or the capital city of Riyadh .

Soviet President Gorbachev today made his strongest statement yet of support for private property. During a speech near the Black Sea port of Odessa, Gorbachev called for rapid privatization of property. The government also proposed a law to allow foreign companies to set up businesses in the Soviet Union without forming a joint venture with a local partner.

Central American politicians and environmentalists are meeting in Managua, Nicaragua, in an attempt to formulate a concerted conservation plan for the region. They hopes to arrive at programs suitable for the so-called ''debt for nature'' plan of President Bush. The U-S plan would forgive Central American debt in return for concrete measures to clean up the environment.

NASA reports regaining contact with the Magellan space probe orbiting Venus. In another near disaster of the sort that's recently plagued the U-S space agency, NASA lost contact with Magellan for 14 hours for an UNknown reason. The incident took place shortly after the craft sent back its first photos of Venus. Those photos are said to be spectacular and are to be made public Monday.

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#90229u2234 08/17/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 17) UPI - The Navy today gave a description of the new stealth bomber that is to replace the aging A-6 as a primary attack plane. A Navy painting of the A-12 Avenger shows the plane looks much like a manta ray. The Pentagon says the A-12 will be able to penetrate sophisticated missile defense systems. Mindful of the situation in Iraq, officials noted that missile defense systems are NO longer the sole property of the superpowers.

Donald Trump's lawyers say the developer could be forced into bankruptcy if he's NOT allowed to use borrowed money to pay interest on a one-BILLION-dollar debt. The New Jersey Casino Control Commission in Atlantic City today said it will reveal Tuesday whether Trump can use a 65-Million-dollar loan to make his payment. If the commission rejects the plan, it will seize Trump's three casinos.

A Wisconsin death-row inmate has aroused UNheard-of support, with a massive letter-writing campaign underway to overturn the sentence. But the inmate in question is a cat. The feline named ''Boogs'' was ordered put to death last year by the Madison Public Health Commission after nipping an animal-control officer. Boogs' owner filed suit, and a Dane County judge assigned to the case says he has received letters from across the nation appealing for a pardon.

A mother who thought she was buying a Bugs Bunny cartoon video for her children is suing the store and manufacturer because the tape included sex scenes involving humans. A Superior Court judge in Ocean Township, New Jersey, today ordered the store to remove from its shelves all copies of the tape titled ''Bugs Bunny in Fresh Hare with Elmer Fudd...'' The tape may contain pornographic scenes at the end of the cartoons.

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#90229u2256 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

SEATTLE (AUG. 17) UPI - Nordstrom Inc. said Friday it would sign an agreement with the National Labor Relations Board settling six unfair labor practice complaints against the retailer.

''This settlement wipes the slate clean in terms of the unfair labor practices charges that have been filed by the union,'' said Joe Demarte, Nordstrom vice president for personnel, referring to the United Food and Commercial Workers union.

The UFCW has filed dozens of individual complaints alleging labor law violations by Nordstrom, which the union has been battling since last summer when a contract for about 2,000 unionized Nordstrom workers in the Puget Sound area expired.

''We felt it was more important to reach a settlement of the issues pending before the NLRB rather than continuing to debate the merits of the union's allegations,'' Demarte said.

The settlement would eliminate the need for a trial before an administrative law judge.

However, the agreement needs approval from the NLRB's regional director and the union. The union could appeal portions of the settlement it doesn't like, said Jim Sands, an NLRB attorney assigned to the case.

The six complaints encompass a wide range of allegations filed against Nordstrom by the union. They include refusal to provide information requested by the union in collective bargaining sessions; bargaining directly with unionized employees; refusal to provide information on the racial makeup of the company's supervisory staff; and discriminating

against employees involved in union activities.

Sands said the terms of the settlement agreement require Nordstrom to agree to provide requested information, cease any activities that may violate labor laws, and post the agreement for 60 days.

Nordstrom also was accused of attempting to assist an employee drive to decertify the union, an action that led the NLRB to throw out the decertification petitions.

Herman Wacker, an attorney representing Nordstrom Employees for Accurate Representation, the employee group trying to oust the union, said NEAR would try again as soon as the settlement process is completed. He said that could take several months.

Joe Peterson, president of UFCW Local 1001, said the union was filing new complaints against Nordstrom and appealing the dismissal of other complaints by the NLRB.

''Our basic feeling is that Nordstrom's problems are far from over,'' Peterson said. ''Maybe they would like to get investors thinking that their problems are over, but that's not the case.''

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#90229u2265 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 17) UPI - The stock market, beaten down by worries about mounting tensions in the Middle East that kept wary investors on the sidelines, this week marked its fifth consecutive weekly drop.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 36.64 Friday to close at 2644.80, losing 71.78 points - 2.6 percent - on the week.

Broader market indexes followed suit, with Standard & Poor's 500-stock index losing 7.69 to end the week at 327.83 and the New York Stock Exchange composite index falling 3.96 to close the week at 180.19.

Declines pounded advances 1,348-531 among the 2,155 NYSE issues traded this week. Weekly Big Board volume totaled 739,842,760 shares, compared with 963,579,960 a week earlier and 744,546,730 shares a year ago.

The Mideast crisis pushed prices down and investors to the sidelines, said Michael Metz, market strategist with Oppenheimer & Co.

The market decline also was fueled by gloomy economic news, he said.

''The market really is plagued by a multitude of horrors here, ranging from the Persian Gulf, fear of recession, fear of higher interest rates

and fear of inflation,'' Metz said.

''On this background, traders and investors are risk-averse. They choose to sell a bit and stay on the sidelines,'' he said. ''People see no inclination to get aggressive as buyers in the market.''

Prices closed mixed Monday in very light trading as cautious investors adopted a ''wait-and-see'' attitude toward the Middle East conflict.

Volume amounted to just 122,820,000 shares - the lowest since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Unlike the American Stock Exchange and the Commodity Exchange Center, the New York exchange was unaffected by a power outage Monday that affected much of lower Manhattan. The outage was triggered by a fire at a Con Edison substation.

Stocks closed slightly higher in continued thin trading Tuesday as investors stayed on the sidelines. Given the concern over the Middle East, the stock market took little notice of a government retail sales report that generally was in line with economic forecasts, analysts said.

Stocks also closed up slightly Wednesday, buoyed by a sense of relief that tensions in the Middle East had not escalated dramatically. Also supporting the rally was optimism about a meeting Thursday between President Bush and Jordan's King Hussein, analysts said.

But stocks closed sharply lower Thursday, when the Dow industrials plummeted 66.83 points.

Prices dropped after a Labor Department report showing inflation at the consumer level rose 0.4 percent in July - higher than the 0.3 percent predicted by private economists.

Also pushing prices lower was news of the contents of an open letter from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, who accused Bush of lying to the American people and threatened that ''you are going to receive some American bodies in bags.''

Adding to the grim outlook was news that Jordan's monarch, contrary to earlier reports, brought no message to Bush from the Iraqi president.

''The market is basically a slave to the news in the Middle East,'' Edward Shopkorn, partner in charge of institutional equities at Mabon, Nugent & Co., said Thursday.

Prices fell again Friday but braked somewhat by the close, thanks to the expiration of August stock-index futures and options, analysts said.

''Although in the beginning of the week the Middle East was pushed to the sidelines, it's back to center stage and that's a problem,'' Trude Latimer market analyst with Josephthal & Co., said Friday.

''There's a feeling this could drag on interminably,'' she said.

Adding to the decline Friday was a Commerce Department report showing America's trade deficit dropped a surprising 34.7 percent in June to $5.07 billion, reflecting record exports. But the report also showed a weakening of imports. Private economists had expected a trade shortfall of about $7 billion for the month.

Analysts said that lower imports reflected sluggish consumer demand in a generally weak domestic economy - an economy bound to be hit harder in coming months by rising oil prices.

The NYSE's ''uptick'' rule kicked in both Thursday and Friday, during periods when the Dow was down 50 points. Under the rule, traders cannot execute sell orders on a stock in an arbitrage trade until the stock's price rises first.

The Dow Jones transportation average, sensitive to rising fuel prices, hit new lows for the year Thursday and Friday, when it dropped 15.87 to 923.91.

On the trading floor this week, Boeing was the most active issue, off 4 1/2 to 48 1/2.

Wal-Mart Stores followed, off 1 7/8 to 28.

IBM was third, off 5/8 to 101 3/8.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T lost 1 5/8 to 33 3/8, Philip Morris fell 5/8 to 45 1/4, General Electric tumbled 2 5/8 to 64 and General Motors sank 2 to 37 1/2. But Exxon rose 1/2 to 52 1/8.

On the American Stock Exchange, the Amex Market Value index fell 5.71 to close Friday at 333.61. Declines led advances 612-226 among the 995 issues traded.

Amex volume totaled 69,436,080 shares, compared with 85,757,990 traded a week earlier and 67,991,685 traded in the same week a year ago.

ENSCO led the Amex actives, up 1/4 to 4 5/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 14.55 to end the week at 393.49.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Thunderstorms rumbled through the Plains, the Midwest and the South Friday, flooding parts of Texas and triggering downpours in Georgia, while temperatures fell on the West Coast and rose to 100 in Mississippi.

Although the Southern thunderstorms bought some relief from the heat, residents of four states helped the Southern Co. set a record for electricity consumption.

The company said customers in Georgia, Alabama, Florida and Mississippi used 28.3 million kilowatts of electricity Thursday to fight 90 degree-plus weather, beating the all-time mark of 27.4 million kilowatts.

Flash flood watches were posted in southeast New Mexico and southwest Texas as scattered showers and thunderstorms drifted through the southern Plains, the National Weather Service said.

Heavy rain caused street flooding overnight in the Texas Panhandle town of Hart, and strong winds overturned trees and damaged roofs in Midland.

Thunderstorms also rolled across southwest Minnesota. Related storms dropped heavy rain over parts of northwestern Iowa and northeastern Nebraska, the NWS said.

Streams rose to the top of their banks in eastern Iowa and northwest Illinois. Lowden, Iowa, recorded nearly 5 inches of rain Thursday night and Friday morning.

A slow-moving low-pressure trough stretching from North Carolina to central Alabama dotted parts of the South with thundershowers and dumped heavy rain overnight across parts of southeast Georgia.

An Army convoy truck hauling Stinger missiles apparently for shipment to the Middle East overturned in a heavy thunderstorm late Thursday near Savannah, Ga., dumping the weapons on Interstate 95 and slightly injuring the driver. The missiles did not explode and the wreckage was cleared in two hours, authorities said.

Morning lows ranged in the 50s and 60s across most of New England and the Middle Atlantic region.

In the West, a cooling trend that began Monday in much of California continued as the weekend approached, with most inland highs reaching the 80s instead of the 90s or higher. A weak Pacific cold front brought a chance of showers to the northwest part of California and the northern

mountains.

Afternoon temperatures reached into only the 60s over Oregon and the Northern California coast.

Hot and humid weather stretched from the Southeast across the middle and lower Mississippi Valley to much of the Plains. Meridian, Miss., and Montgomery, Ala., reached 100 degrees.

Western firefighters neared victory over lightning-sparked wildfires that have blackened more than 1,000 square miles in seven states during the past two weeks. Only one major blaze in California - the state hardest hit by the wildfires - was expected to remain out of control beyond this weekend.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 17) UPI - With reservists waiting to hear whether President Bush will call them up to active duty, the Pentagon told commercial airlines Friday they must provide extra aircraft to haul personnel and cargo to Saudi Arabia.

The Civil Reserve Air Fleet was put on a first stage alert, Pentagon officials said, meaning 16 airlines were alerted to provide aircraft for military airlift needs. The Pentagon has relied heavily on charter flights to haul troops for Operation Desert Shield.

The Transportation Command said the airlines would provide up to 38 airplanes ''for several weeks.'' Planes included Boeing 747s, the McDonnell Douglas DC-10s and the Lockheed L-1011s.

The Civil Reserve Air Fleet is a program in which the Pentagon pays to beef up the strength of a variety of privately owned aircraft and equip them to handle military payload pallets.

It was the first time the program has been invoked in its 38-year history, officials said.

Transport Command officials did not release specifics on the number of troops or the type of cargo to be carried by the Civil Reserve Air Fleet.

Under the program, the Pentagon pays for the extra fuel the planes consume because of the extra weight in return for the right to commandeer the planes in national emergencies. There are 29 airlines in the fleet.

The program has three stages to allow the Military Airlift Command to tailor its request for planes to meet various circumstances. In the first

stage, civilian airlines are asked to provide planes within 24 hours of a request. They would be used to augment routine MAC missions overseas as well as operations in the Middle East.

President Bush, meanwhile, considered calling up the military reserves and may activate a limited number of special personnel in response to rising tensions in the Persiana Gulf, his spokesman said Frdiay.

If reserve forces are activated to back up U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, it will mark the first full-scale test of the post-Vietnam War restructuring of the American military.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater, in Kennebunkport, Maine, where the president is on vacation, indicated that support personnel - such as medical personnel and cargo handlers - may be needed to help fill the ranks of the tens of thousands of Americans sent to the Persian Gulf in the past two weeks.

Fitzwater said he does not anticipate a ''massive call-up'' of reserves, contrary to earlier reports. ''We'll try to keep this as small as possible '' he said.

The White House denied reports late Friday that Bush had decided to call the reserves into action, but it appeared a decision would be announced soon, based on a Pentagon reccommendation sent to Bush.

''The president has not made a decision on a call-up, but the Pentagon and the White House are having discussions,'' White House spokesman Doug Davidson said.

If reserves are activated, most would likely be assigned to duties in the United States. But Fitzwater said some might be sent Saudi Arabia.

''You need cargo handlers at all ends,'' the press secretary said. ''Doctors you probably need there. You can draw your own conclusions.''

Bush discussed the possible activation of reserves during a briefing Wednesday at the Pentagon and received a formal recommendation from Defense Secretary Dick Cheney within the past two days, Fitzwater said. He said Bush is expected to make a decision soon, but offered no timetable.

When the United States shifted to a volunteer force at the end of the war in Southeast Asia - dropping the draft - much of the chore of supporting combat units was deliberately shifted to National Guard and reserve forces.

While sending a significant number of front-line combat units abroad for an extended stay might suggest reserve units associated with the combat troops must be called up to help with logistics, Maj. Doug Hart, a

Pentagon spokesman on reserve issues, said that is not necessarily the case.

Pentagon officials have not publicly addressed how reserve units would be employed, it was expected there would be no widespread shipment of reserves to Saudi Arabia because the bulk of the work to be done was in the United States, filling in for the soldiers who shipped out.

After the draft ended in 1973, the military went to what is known as the ''Total Force Policy,'' the decision to concentrate on active combat forces with the reserves and guard, which cost less to maintain, taking up the support chores. Presidential authority for call-ups without the permission of Congress at first was 50,000, but that was boosted to 100,000 in the early 1980s and to 200,000 a few years ago.

In at least one service, the Air Force, reservists are an integral part of day-to-day operations. Reserve crews on days off from civilian jobs routinely fly cargo jets and tankers to haul gear about and provide inflight refueling to fighters, bombers, reconnaissance planes and the like. They already are heavily involved on a volunteer basis in the air bridge that has been set up to ferry men, weapons and warplanes to the region.

More than two-thirds of the Army's combat support and combat service support is in Guard and Reserve Units. A full 93 percent of the Navy's cargo-handling capacity is in Reserve units. Almost two-thirds of the Marine Corps bulk fueling crews come from reservists.

The Army reserves consist of 593,832 men and women; the Navy reserves, 238,061; the Marine reserves, 80,128; and the Air Force reserves, 136,331.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - U.S. warships intercepted two Iraqi vessels in the Persian Gulf Friday but let them proceed when it was found they were empty and the Pentagon alerted airlines their extra aircraft would be needed to haul cargo to Saudi Arabia.

Another Iraqi ship loaded with food sailed through the Suez Canal Friday toward a possible showdown with U.S. Navy ships patrolling the Red Sea to enforce an economic embargo imposed against Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

But as the U.S. stepped up its pressure on Iraq, President Saddam Hussein displayed a few manuevers of his own.

Iraq moved about 35 Americans it was holding in the Rashid Hotel in

Baghdad to another downtown hotel, State Department officials in Washington said. U.S. officials in Baghdad were not permitted to visit the Americans and protested the move to the Iraqis.

The State Department declined to characterize the detained Americans as hostages, but both the White House and the State Department expressed concern about the new development.

The U.N. Security Council asked Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to look into the plight of thousands of U.S., European and Japanese nationals held by Iraq in Baghdad and Kuwait city, presumably to ensure the multinational force in the gulf will not attack the two cities. The Soviet news agency Tass reported, however, that an undisclosed number of Soviet citizens were set free.

Diplomatic sources in Cairo also said Iraq had been monitored moving its troops from its border with Iran to the Saudi border in Kuwait, as Saddam's surprise peace initiative with long-time foe Iran eased pressure on Iraq's eastern frontier.

Tehran Radio reported that Iraq sent home 1,000 Iranians taken prisoner during the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war in the first step of the peace program Saddam offered Iran earlier in the week.

White House Press Secretary Marlin Fitzwater said President Bush may activate a limited number of reserve support personnel, such as medical workers and cargo handlers, to help fill the gap created by the gulf deployment.

The White House denied reports late Friday that Bush had decided to call the reserves into action, but it appeared a decision would be announced soon, based on a Pentagon recommendation sent to Bush.

The Pentagon, meanwhile, put the Civil Reserve Air Fleet on a first stage alert, meaning 16 airlines were alerted to provide aircraft for military airlift needs. The Pentagon has been relying heavily already on charter flights to haul troops for Operation Desert Shield.

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In other major developments Friday:

- Thousands of Marines continued to pour into Saudi Arabia to bolster Operation Desert Shield and deter a possible attack by Iraqi troops in Kuwait. The morale of the U.S. troops remained high despite the blistering desert heat, an uncertain future and cultural differences with their Saudi hosts.

- The exodus of non-Iraqi Arabs and other foreigners from Iraq and Kuwait escalated as an estimated 16,300 people crossed the border at Ruweished, Jordan. It was not clear whether any Americans, British or other Western nationals were among the evacuees.

- Oil prices rocketed by more than a dollar a barrel in early trading Friday with markets concerned about possible hostilities in the gulf.

The White House brushed aside criticism of its unilateral decision to board and search suspect ships, saying it was acting within the bounds of U.N. economic sanctions imposed against Iraq.

The Pentagon announced Thursday it would enforce the U.N.-ordered trade embargo against Iraq by boarding and searching suspect ships and lobbing shots across the bows of vessels that fail to turn back.

In a statement issued Friday, the Pentagon said the guided missile cruiser USS England and the guided missile frigate USS Bradley challenged the two Iraqi ships at 1:17 p.m. EDT as the ships headed toward Iraq.

U.S. troops did not board either of the Iraqi ships, but determined they were empty and allowed them to proceed, according to the Pentagon statement, which did not say how it was determined the ships were empty.

A Pentagon source said Friday warships may also stop the Iraqi vessel Zein el Koas, which is reportedly carying food, because only shipments of medicine were exempt from the order.

''If (the cargo) is on the list and it's headed for the zone we're patrolling'' it is subject to interception, the source said.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency said the Iraqi vessel had passed through the Suez Canal Friday morning and was headed to the Red Sea. It's destination was not known, but the ship was north of the Jordanian Red Sea port of Aqaba which had accepted food shipments for Iraq up until Thursday.

The U.N.'s Perez de Cuellar has said he believes the interdiction of ships in the gulf goes beyond the intent of the resolution, which allows shipments of medicine, and food in the case of humanitarian need.

But Fitzwater said near Bush's vacation home in Kennebunkport, Maine, that

the U.N. charter gave the United States the authority.

''We obviously believe that Article 51 authorizes our intercept activities '' Fitzwater said. ''We believe that the U.N. understands that.''

Fitzwater said if U.N. members disagree with the unilateral decision then the Bush administration was ''willing to discuss it, and we have discussed it in many ways.''

Diplomats in Cairo Egypt said Saudi Arabia has refused to allow five Iraqi tankers to dock at the Red Sea port of Yenbo, the terminus of an Iraqi oil pipeline that runs from Iraq across Saudi Arabia.

Meanwhile, diplomatic officials in London and Washington said Iraq did not move to round up 4,000 British nationals and 2,500 Americans in Kuwait who had been ordered to check into several hotels. They said few of the foreigners in the occupied city had turned up at the designated hotels by Friday and those who did found no Iraqi officials waiting to greet them.

''The aim of the Iraqis, I suspect, is to weaken the determination not just of ourselves, but of the Americans and of others, and to use our citizens to this end,'' said British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd. ''That is, of course, the tactic of the outlaw down the ages.''

U.N. diplomats said many nations have asked Perez de Cuellar to launch a humanitarian mission to get foreigners out of the two Mideast countries, and that the U.N. chief might begin an inquiry next week.

Japan's role in the developments broadened Friday with reports that Japanese nationals were being held against their will in Kuwait, and that Japan's foreign minister was traveling to the region in yet another effort to find a diplomatic solution to the crisis.

And Tehran Radio said the first batch of 1,000 Iranian prisoners of war were returned to Iran Friday, crossing the border at Khowrawi, 350 miles southwest of Tehran.

Iran has cautiously welcomed the overture and condemned U.S. intervention in the region, although it has also stood firm in its contention that Iraq should withdraw completely from the oil-rich Kuwait.

Middle East experts said Friday Saddam is backed by the military and key members of the Revolutionary Command Council in his confrontation with the West, but their long-term loyalty may be in doubt.

''As far as we can tell, the army is backing Saddam over Kuwait and over a possible confrontation with U.S. forces,'' one senior West European diplomat told United Press International in an interview. ''It would be a

different story however once a conflict broke out in the gulf, Western forces inflicted heavy casualties on Iraq, and sanctions began to bite.''

Saudi students told Pentagon pool reporters they want U.S. soldiers to go home now that Arab forces have moved in to protect the kingdom from possible aggression.

''Iraq surprised us, and the American Navy got here fast,'' said Sultan al-Dhaher, 20, at King Fahd University. ''But now the forces of Egypt and other Arab countries are coming, and the Americans will be able to go ... The Holy Koran says that Christians don't always want to help you; they want to trick you.''

In another development, West German authorities arrested seven people accused of helping Iraq build poison gas installations and selling sensitive technology to Iraq.

And the Philippine government said it plans to file a protest to Iraq over reports Iraqi soldiers have raped an undetermined number of Filipino women hundreds of whom work as maids for wealthy Kuwaiti families.

Middle Eastern news reports said more than 1,000 people in Jordan and 100 in Lebanon staged pro-Iraqi demonstrations Friday.

U.S. defense officials in Belgium said the United States would withdraw from two NATO exercises scheduled for next month in Norway and West Germany because its forces were busy in gulf.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - C O R R E C T I O N

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As U-S Marines pour into Saudi Arabia, Saudi citizens are abandoning hot spots where they believe war might break out. The streets of Dhahran are reported to be all but deserted, as residents flee the port city about 200 miles south of Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. Most Saudis are moving inland to Jeddah or the capital city of Riyadh .

Soviet President Gorbachev today made his strongest statement yet of support for private property. During a speech near the Black Sea port of Odessa, Gorbachev called for rapid privatization of property. The government also proposed a law to allow foreign companies to set up businesses in the Soviet Union without forming a joint venture with a local partner.

Central American politicians and environmentalists are meeting in Managua, Nicaragua, in an attempt to formulate a concerted conservation plan for the region. They hopes to arrive at programs suitable for the so-called ''debt for nature'' plan of President Bush. The U-S plan would forgive Central American debt in return for concrete measures to clean up the environment.

NASA reports regaining contact with the Magellan space probe orbiting Venus. In another near disaster of the sort that's recently plagued the U-S space agency, NASA lost contact with Magellan for 14 hours for an UNknown reason. The incident took place shortly after the craft sent back its first photos of Venus. Those photos are said to be spectacular and are to be made public Monday.

The Navy today gave a description of the new stealth bomber that is to replace the aging A-6 as a primary attack plane. A Navy painting of the A-12 Avenger shows the plane looks much like a manta ray. The Pentagon says the A-12 will be able to penetrate sophisticated missile defense systems. Mindful of the situation in Iraq, officials noted that missile defense systems are NO longer the sole property of the superpowers.

Donald Trump's lawyers say the developer could be forced into bankruptcy if he's NOT allowed to use borrowed money to pay interest on a one-BILLION-dollar debt. The New Jersey Casino Control Commission in Atlantic City today said it will reveal Tuesday whether Trump can use a 65-Million-dollar loan to make his payment. If the commission rejects the plan, it will seize Trump's three casinos.

A Wisconsin death-row inmate has aroused UNheard-of support, with a massive letter-writing campaign underway to overturn the sentence. But the inmate in question is a cat. The feline named ''Boogs'' was ordered put to death last year by the Madison Public Health Commission after nipping an animal-control officer. Boogs' owner filed suit, and a Dane County judge assigned to the case says she has received letters from across the nation appealing for a pardon.

A mother who thought she was buying a Bugs Bunny cartoon video for her children is suing the store and manufacturer because the tape included sex scenes involving humans. A Superior Court judge in Ocean Township, New Jersey, today ordered the store to remove from its shelves all copies of the tape titled ''Bugs Bunny in Fresh Hare with Elmer Fudd...'' The tape may contain pornographic scenes at the end of the cartoons.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - The United States and Iraq both made threatening moves in

the Middle East today. U-S warships intercepted two Iraqi vessels in the Persian Gulf, then allowed them to continue on only after determining they were empty. But there was NO continuing on for U-S citizens trapped in Iraq and Kuwait. The Iraqi government transfered 35 U-S citizens from one Baghdad hotel to another- over the protests of the State Department.

The U-S actions in the Middle East received strong support today from the Soviet Union. Both Soviet President Gorbachev and Foreign Minister Shevardnadze decried the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait as a ''blatant violation of international law'' and called on the United Nations to take firms steps against the Iraqis.

Firefighters today all but doused most of the wildfires raging in the West. In California, one of three entrances into Yosemite National Park reopened... eight days after it was shut down by flames. Falling temperatures helped subdue blazes that have charred one-thousand square miles in seven states. Officials began releasing some of the 20-thousand firefighters battling the blazes... and expect full control of the larger fires within a week.

Scores of AIDS activists demonstrated today outside the New York City headquarters of Philip Morris... to protest the company's financial support of Republican Senator Jesse Helms of North Carolina. Helms has been an outspoken foe of homosexuality and explicit AIDS prevention programs. A Philip Morris official said the company has donated 700-thousand dollars to AIDS-related causes since 1987.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Ethnic struggles are threatening to embroil Yugoslavia as it attempts to throw off 45 years of communist rule. Armed citizens and renegade police officers in the largest Serbian town in Croatia are determined to go through with Sunday's planned referendum on Serbian autonomy. The government fears the referendum could prompt a violent Croatian backlash.

The foreign ministers of West Germany and the Soviet Union today said final agreement on foreign policy aspects of German unification should be ready for the next ''two plus four'' meeting. The four allied victors of World War Two and the two Germanys are to meet in Moscow September 12th. Final signing of the agreement by the leaders of the six countries would then be scheduled... followed by consideration by a united German parliament.

Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro has asked the National Assembly to pardon the killers of her husband. Pedro Joaquin Chamorro's 1978 assassination helped spark the Sandinista revolution. Chamorro vowed in

her April 25th inauguration address to pardon all political prisoners held captive by the Sandinistas. Her August 13th letter also calls for the release of 82 other political prisoners.

A family of buzzards is causing a stir in Houston, where they've set up housekeeping atop a medical building. The buzzards are protected by state and federal law and are NOT supposed to be hunted or harmed. But some workers and patients feel the sight of buzzards hovering overhead does NOT set the proper atmosphere for a medical center.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 17) UPI - An alleged drug kingpin and 16 of his top lieutenants, including his mother, were arrested Friday and accused of distributing more than $100 million in cocaine annually across the nation, authorities said.

Drug Enforcement Administration spokesman Mike Holm said the alleged ringleader, Thomas Clifford Whitmore, 26, is a ''major'' kingpin who had been operating for ''several years'' and distributed 2,200 pounds of cocaine a month, collecting $100 million a year in drug sales.

Whitmore was arrested at his home in Inglewood and faces a maximum life prison sentence if convicted, Holm said.

Whitmore's mother, Wilma Lee Whitmore, 44, was among the other 16 suspects who were arrested in a series of raids that began early Friday.

Arrest warrants also were issued for others more suspects who were expected to be apprehended, Holm said.

The network recruited members of two of Los Angeles' most notorious street gangs, the Bloods and the Crips, Holm said.

The investigation of the ring by the DEA Gang Drug Force was established two years ago to combat the spread of street gangs after Whitmore's car was stopped in Inglewood for speeding.

Inglewood Police Chief Ray Johnson said police found 2.2 pounds of cocaine in the car along with records detailing Whitmore's drug operation.

Whitmore served an unspecified prison term for the arrest.

The task force then began its work, coordinating its efforts between the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the U.S. Attorney's Office, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department and several police departments.

Holm said the cocaine was brought in from Colombia, shipped mostly through Mexico and into Los Angeles, where it was distributed to 43 states, including such places as Detroit, Memphis, Philadelphia, Seattle, Newark, N.J., and Oklahoma City.

Authorities, who served 31 search warrants, also seized 8.8 pounds of cocaine, $2 million in cash, $4.5 million worth of assets and 27 weapons, including several automatic rifles.

Among the assets confiscated were four homes owned by Whitmore and his top lieutenants, along with a fleet of 20 cars, including Porsches and Jaguars and a couple of boats, Holm said.

Whitmore and several other suspects were scheduled to be arraigned before a federal magistrate Monday afternoon. The U.S. Attorney's Office requested they be held without bail.

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GRAPEVINE, TX (AUG. 17) UPI - A Texas woman who dressed in Bedouin clothing to flee the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait arrived safely at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport Friday afternoon.

Relieved relatives hugged Shirley Coffman, 41, who arrived on a Lufthansa flight from Germany. Coffman, a bank officer and mother of two grown sons, had lived in Kuwait City for 13 years. She said she was driving to work the morning of Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion when she saw Iraqi soldiers attacking police headquarters.

''The gunfire was terrible. The glass was falling (from the building),'' she said. ''People were being shot if they were in their cars.''

Americans trapped in the country scrambled to avoid the troops, she said.

''This is like Germany when Hitler was after the Jews because all the Westerners are trying to find places to hide,'' she said.

She said she hid in the ceiling of a building until Kuwaiti friends could sneak her across the Saudi Arabian border and through the desert to the island nation of Bahrain.

Her friends provided her with traditional Bedouin garb - flowing robes and a face mask that obscured her long blond hair and pale skin.

''And when we crossed over from Kuwait, there were hundreds and hundreds of Iraqi tanks; many, many soldiers,'' she said.

When they reached the border, an Iraqi soldier stopped the car and asked the driver for the occupants' family name. The driver gave his name and Coffman and the others waited apprehensively as the soldier paused.

The soldier then said the family name was the same as that of his uncle and ''since we're kind of related, I'll let you go. But they didn't let any of the other cars go,'' she said.

Coffman said she had heard that stewardesses from Germany, Kuwait and Britain were being abused by Iraqi soldiers.

''They've taken them to The Plaza Hotel and they're having their way with them, '' Coffman said, adding she was told that by a friend, described as a flight attendant who managed to escape.

She says she hopes someday to return to the country where she has many friends and a job she enjoyed.

''I hope I get to go back. I'm a manager in a bank. I have a very good job and it's very difficult, I'm sure, to find a job here,'' she said.

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(AUG. 18) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

Baseball Pedro Guerrero of the St. Louis Cardinals was given a one game suspension by National League President Bill White for fighting with Houston Astros pitcher Danny Darwin. Guerrero precipitated a bench-clearing brawl by slapping Darwin in the face. Darwin was not suspended, but did receive a fine.

Basketball The San Antonio Spurs signed Willie Anderson to a four-year contract extension. Anderson, the 6-foot-7 guard who averaged 15 points and seven assists last season, has two years remaining on his current deal. The Spurs also signed veteran forward Terry Cummings to a contract extension. Terms of both deals were not disclosed.

Boat Racing Australian Glenn Bourke won his third straight title at the Laser World Championships on Rhode Island Sound and Narragansett Bay. Bourke, 29, won two of the seven races of the week-long regatta, which attracted 159 sailors from more than 25 countries. Ardis Bollweg of Holland successfully defended her title by defeating 29 challangers.

Cycling Tour de France winner Greg LeMond will race in the Nissan International in Ireland Oct. 3-7. The American will race with the Z team for the five-stage race. The race, which starts and finishes in Dublin, will attract a field of 80-100 riders.

Football Chet Franklin, a 19-year veteran of the National Football League coaching and player personnel, has been named player personal coordinator/U.S. for the World League of American Football. Franklin, 55, who was player-personnel director of the San Diego Chargers from 1987-89, will oversee the scouting of all United States prospects.

Hockey The New York Islanders named Butch Goring as the head coach of their AHL affiliate the Capital District Islanders, located near Albany, N.Y. Goring, 40, played for the Los Angeles Kings before coming to the Islanders in a 1980 trade. Goring later coached the Boston Bruins and compiled a 42-38-13 record in just over one season.

Miscellaneous Operation PUSH, founded by Jesse Jackson, announced a boycott of Nike shoes, claiming the company has failed to do enough to hire and promote blacks. It also urged supporters to slap electrical tape over the logos on their Nike shoes as part of the boycott. Nike President Richard Donahue said the company may have been remiss in keeping quiet about its aid to the minority and disadvantaged. ''We have done this quietly, unobtrusively, because our motto is 'just do it.' Our motto isn't 'just brag about it,' or 'just beat your breast about it.' It may mean we have to be more obvious in those things we do.''

Tennis In a recent visit to his native Romania, tennis promoter Ion Tiriac promised to construct a tennis center and several orphanages in his native country. Tiriac, manager of tennis star Boris Becker, said he would build orphanages for 100 children in Brasov, Bucharest, Moldova and Transylvania. That would be followed by a 16-court complex, described by Tiriac as ''the largest tennis center in Eastern Europe''. ... Unseeded Rachael Jensen captured the U.S. National Amateur women's singles championship and paired with twin sister Rebecca to win the doubles title at The Concord Hotel in Kiamesha Lake, N.Y.

Track East German Christine Wachtel raced to the fastest electronic timed 1,000 meters ever at the ISTAF track and field meet at Berlin's Olympic Stadium, but officials took the record away after finding a faster hand-timed race. Wachtel finished the race in 2:30.67, at first believed to be the fastest time ever. But in 1978 Russian Tatjana Prowidochina had run a hand-timed 2:30.6, a time that at first hadn't been in the record books, but was included later. IAAF rules say that even after the introduction of electronic timing, hand-timed results have to be beaten.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Two days before they are scheduled to go to the polls to decide self-sovereignty, independence-minded Serbians in Yogoslavia have taken control of the largest Serbian town in Croatia. Many observers say

Sunday's referendum on Serbian autonomy could lead to bloodshed between Croats and Serbs.

Los Angeles authorities say they have nabbed one of the country's leading drug dealers. 26-year-old Thomas Clifford Whitmore was arrested today along with 16 of his top aides. The group is accused of distributing more than 100-Million dollars worth of cocaine each year across the United States.

The maker of five-minute AIDS tests for use in medical settings has recalled as many as 11-thousand of the devices because they may NOT detect the deadly virus. A spokesman for Cambridge BioScience says about half of the kits are in the United States and half are abroad.

A Continental Airlines shareholder has asked a federal judge to void a deal in which Frank Lorenzo sold his position at the helm of the carrier. The suit, filed last week in Newark, New Jersey, contends Lorenzo illegally sold his position to Scandinavian Airlines.

The National Weather Service says flash flood watches are in effect for southeast New Mexico and southwest Texas because of scattered showers and thunderstorms in the region. Rain also fell in the Midwest and the South.

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(AUG. 17) UPI - Saudi Arabia has done an about-face and will NOT cut its oil deliveries to major U-S and Japanese companies. The move came today in response to strong protests by those firms. Earlier reports had said the Saudis might trim their deliveries by 17 percent, but the Saudis never explained the reasoning behind a reduction in oil exports at a time when oil deliveries were already cut off in Iraq and Kuwait.

U-S military reserves are waiting for word about whether President Bush will order them called up. But the Pentagon is already calling up civilian airplanes- needed to fly personnel and cargo to Saudi Arabia. The Civil Reserve Air Fleet was put on first-stage alert today, meaning that 16 airlines are being asked to supply planes ''for several weeks.''

Fans of entertainer Pearl Bailey have reason for the blues tonight. The legendary singer died this evening in a Philadelphia hospital, just more than one month after she entered the facility to replace an arthritic knee. The 72-year-old Bailey entered show business after winning an amateur contest as a teen-ager. Bailey's stellar career was punctuated by heart problems.

A commercial Delta-2 rocket tonight fired into orbit a 100-Million-dollar British satellite. The deployment of the 11-hundred-pound solar-powered

satellite came nearly half-an-hour after the Delta-2 rocket was launched from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Florida. The B-S-B-R-2 satellite joins a similar spacecraft already in orbit to allow the transmission of five television channels direct to cable stations and to small antennas across Britain.

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#90229u2691 08/17/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 17) UPI - Authorities say they arrested a top Los Angeles gang drug dealer and 16 of his top lieutenants today. A federal drug agency spokesman says the network has distributed more than 100-Million dollars in cocaine annually across much of the United States for several years. The spokesman says the drug ring recruited members of L-A's two most notorious street gangs... and included the 26-year-old ring leader's mother.

Federal prosecutors said today they will appeal a judge's ruling to release a Mexican doctor indicted in the murder of a U-S drug agent. A federal judge in Los Angeles delayed implementation of the release... ordering that Doctor Alvarez Machain remain in custody pending a bail hearing. A lower court judge had ruled the doctor was illegally kidnapped from his homeland to appear in a U-S courtroom.

El Salvador says it is ready to negotiate a swift end to its decade-long civil war. A fourth round of U-N-mediated peace talks with leftist rebels opened today outside San Jose, Costa Rica. The chief government negotiator says he is confident an agreement can be reached to reform and reduce the armed forces. The rebels demand that officers they accuse of human rights abuse be removed... and the military be put under civilian control.

Florida State University has beaten the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in a bid to house the world's top magnetic research laboratory. The National Science Foundation today picked the Tallahassee school against the recommendation of a scientific panel. Officials noted Florida's pledge of long-term financial support. The lab is expected to lead to major discoveries in biology, chemistry and materials research.

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#90230d0300 08/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD, (AUG 18) - Iraq said Saturday that foreigners "being hosted" in Iraq will get the same treatment as Iraqis if food and medical supplies run short because of international sanctions.

A statement issued by the ministry of justice and social affairs that was read over Radio Baghdad said the armed forces would be given priority in the distribution of food.

The statement called on international hummanitarian organisations to apply pressure on the United States and other nations to lift the economic embargo, imposed ot Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait.

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#90230d1700 08/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, (AUG 18) - United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar is sending two senior officials to Baghdad to seek a solution to the plight of foreigners being held in Iraq and Kuwait against their will, a U.N. spokesman said saturday.

The spokesman said Perez de Cuellar, who made the announcement in the Peruvian capital Lima, told reporters that the U.N. officials would arrive in the Iraqi capital on Monday.

On Friday, the United Nations Security Council called on the secretary general to take action on the situation of foreigners stranded in Iraq.

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#90230d1730 08/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN, (AUG 18) - Another 1,000 Iranian prisoners of war arrived in Iran Saturday after being freed by Iraq as an Iraqi troop withdrawal from Iranian territory, held despite a truce in the Gulf War, gathered pace.

An initial 1,000 POWs returned home Friday.

Iran announced no new prisoner releases, but handed over 1,000 Iraqis freed Friday from camps in the capital to Red Cross officials supervising their return at the border between the two countries.

Reliable sources in Baghdad said a total of 2,000 were expected but that they failed to reach Iraq Friday because of "technical problems having to do with the ICRC's (International Committee of the Red Cross) limited means".

Meanwhile, Iraqi Red Crescent director Seifollah Vahid Dastdjerdi asked the ICRC to start sending POWs across at a rate of 10,000 a day -- 5,000 from each country. Iran and Iraq are holding 70,000 and 30,000 prisoners, respectively.

"The dangerous nature of the current situation in the region" called for a quicker exchange, he said in a letter to the ICRC.

A Red Cross spokeswoman in Geneva, Martine Haemmerli, told Agence France-Presse the organization had agreed but would need to boost staff

levels in the region "massively".

Meanwhile Iraqi troops were withdrawing from Iranian territory and crossing the border day and night, the official Iranian media said.

The pull-out is expected to free 30 divisions to be sent into what Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has termed the "field of the great battle against the Moslems' common enemy", meaning borders with Saudi Arabia and Iraq-occupied Kuwait.

A huge U.S.-led multinational force has dug in on the Saudi side to prevent an Iraqi invasion of Saudi Arabia, the Western world's main oil supplier.

As the Gulf crisis worsened Saturday after Iraq effectively announced that tens of thousands of foreigners were now held hostage, Teheran still had not responded to the staggering peace offer Mr. Hussein made Wednesday.

Meanwhile, Turkish Foreign Minister Ali Bozer arrived here for two days of talks on the crisis.

Turkey, which shares borders with both Iran and Iraq and stands to suffer badly from the international embargo of Iraq, has expressed concern over the two countries' rapprochement.

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#90230d9750 08/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA, (AUG 18) - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz warned the United States on Saturday about intercepting Iraqi ships, noting that it could set a precedent leading to retaliatory measures.

U.S. measures "set a precedent enabling whoever can to inspect the vessels of any nation backed by this American precedent if the world does not first reject this abnormal American behavior and defeat it to protect international law," he said.

His comments came a day after U.S. warships halted two Iraqi vessels in the Gulf in the first "interdiction" action ordered by President George Bush, the U.S. Defense Department said, adding that the ships were not boarded.

"The Arabs won't be less capable than others to do the same towards their enemies in the Red Sea, the Bab el-Mandeb strait, the Sea of Oman, the Suez Canal and the Gulf," the Iraqi foreign minister said.

"We don't want or wish for this to happen, but that is the meaning of the American precedent, so will the world defend its future or remian silent?" Mr. Aziz asked.

Last Sunday, Mr. Aziz said that Washington's interception of Iraqi tankers constituted an "act of aggression."

A U.S. Defense Department spokesman said Thursday that "interdiction" operations were authorized from 0000 GMT Friday and were "consistent with U.N. Resolution 661 which imposed mandatory sanctions against Iraq and occupied Kuwait."

Most members of the 15-nation Security Council have disputed the claim.

The U.N. Security Council passed Resolution 661 on August 6, four days after Iraq invaded Kuwait. Iraq annexed the oil-rich state on August 8.

-30- 1818

#90230d9870 08/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS, (AUGUST 18) - Lithuanian Prime Minister Kazimiera Prunskiene arrived Saturday in Greece on a 10-day private visit at the invitation of the liberal daily Kathimerini and its owner, shipping magnate Aristides Alafouzos.

Mrs. Prunskiene is accompanying 25 teenagers taking short vacations in Athens at the invitation of the Athens city council.

The visit is the second by the Lithuanian prime minister in two months. During an official four-day visit in June, Mrs. Prunskiene informed Greek government officals about the evolution of events in Lituania.

-30- 758

#90230e0033 08/18/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SAN JOSE (AUG. 18) EFE - Peace talks between leftist Salvadoran rebels and the rightist government continued Saturday, with the two sides still far apart on proposals for reform of the Armed Forces, according to sources close to the talks.

Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) rebels Friday called for the "abolition" of the Army and the creation of a new civilian security force, to be simultaneous with the guerrillas' demobilization.

President Alfredo Cristiani's rightist government offered to dissolve the Civil Defense militia, but not the Army, in exchange for an FMLN demobilization.

While the FMLN called for the creation of a special tribunal to prosecute human rights crimes, the government proposed a general amnesty for all individuals suspected of such crimes.

In addition, the rebels proposed the "purge of all military personnel linked to human rights violations", including 200 officers.

The FMLN has said reform of the Armed Forces is its most important objective in the peace talks, while the government has stressed the importance of dismantling the FMLN to end the decade-old war.

Some 75,000 people have been killed during the war, about half of them civilians murdered by Army-backed death squads, according to human rights groups.

The Permanent Committee of National Debate, an organization of some 80 church, labor and social groups, Saturday backed the FMLNproposal for replacement of the Army by a new civilian police force.

Government and rebel representatives are trying to hammer out a cease-fire agreement in closed-door talks mediated by United Nations envoy Alvaro de Soto in the Costa Rican capital.

In its 18-point proposal, the FMLN also called for the disbandment of the Salvadoran secret police and National Guard.

The rebels demanded the destruction of "the clandestine jails and all the Armed Forces' instruments of torture", as well as the punishment of military personnel and civilians responsible for "genocide".

The FMLN called for the dissolution of the death squads, "especially those led by (retired Army) major Roberto D'Aubuisson and the businessman Orlando de Sola".

D'Aubuisson is the founder of the right-wing ARENA party currently in power.

The government's 33-point proposal includes plans to establish an Armed Force human rights office, and to include +humanistic subjects+ in military training.

In the last round of peace talks, held in San Jose last month, the two sides agreed to authorize the United Nations to monitor human rights in El Salvador after an eventual cease-fire is signed.

Earlier this year, the two sides agreed to try to negotiate a cease-fire by September.

This round of talks, which began Friday, is expected to last until Wednesday.

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#90230u0055 08/18/1990 ~United Press International
ARLINGTON, TX (AUG. 18) UPI - Carlton Fisk of the Chicago White Sox set a record Friday night for the most home runs hit by a catcher in the major leagues.

Fisk slammed a 2-1 pitch from Texas Rangers pitcher Charlie Hough into the leftfield seats in the second inning for his 328th career homer, breaking a tie with former Cincinnati Reds catcher Johnny Bench.

The solo home run gave the White Sox a 2-0 lead in the second game of a doubleheader. The Rangers won the first game, 1-0, in 13 innings.

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#90230u0088 08/18/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 18) UPI - Drazen Petrovic had a fever that spread to his shooting hand Friday and made the United States sick.

Petrovic, who spent most of the past two days in bed battling a high temperature, burned the U.S. team with 31 points, including 6 three-pointers, to lead Yugoslavia to a 99-91 victory and a berth in the gold medal game of the World Basketball Championships in Buenos Aires.

Yugoslavia, a solid favorite when the tournament began, will go for the title Sunday night against the Soviet Union. The U.S. team will play Puerto Rico for the bronze medal Saturday night.

''I thought they were the best team coming in and they played like it today,'' U.S. Coach Mike Krzyzewski said. ''Whatever the highest level was Petrovic was at that level today. I went up to him afterwards to congratulate him. Even in defeat you have to admire an outstanding effort.''

Petrovic, the NBA's second-best three-point shooter last year in his rookie season with the Portland Trail Blazers, made 13 of 19 shots, including 6 of 10 from three-point range. He played only 31 minutes and didn't start the second half after sitting out the previous game and a half because of his fever.

''I'm sick right now,'' Petrovic said as he quickly escaped to the team bus and back to his hotel bed.

He didn't look sick on the court. He scored 12 points in the first 12 minutes as Yugoslavia opened a 33-22 lead. The U.S. twice rallied within four points, but trailed 51-43 at halftime.

With Petrovic on the bench, the U.S. cut Yugoslavia's lead to 60-57 with

15:30 to play. Petrovic then returned and the game quickly turned. He hit 3 three-pointers in the next four minutes as Yugoslavia stretched its lead back to double figures.

Petrovic's sixth three-pointer with 6:30 remaining gave Yugoslavia its biggest lead at 90-71. The U.S. team scored 11 of the game's last 14 points to make the final more respectable.

Soviet Union 98, Puerto Rico 82

Viktor Berezhnoi scored two baskets in an eight-point run that snapped a tie midway through the second half, leading the Soviet Union to a victory over Puerto Rico and into the gold medal round.

Brerezhnoi, who finished with 10 points, broke a 65-65 tie with his basket with 10:30 remaining, coming right after star forward Alexander Volkov fouled out. The Soviets pushed their lead to 73-65 with the run, and Puerto Rico got no closer than five points the rest of the game.

Valeri Tikhonenko scored 26 points to lead the Soviets. Volkov and Sergei Bazarevich each had 16.

Edgar Leon scored 22 points and Jose Ortiz had 16 for Puerto Rico, which was hampered at the end as five players fouled out. Puerto Rico was called for 32 fouls, and the Soviets capitalized by making 30 of 37 free throws.

Brazil 100, Australia 93

Oscar Schmidt scored 48 points, 21 in the second half, leading Brazil to a victory over Australia in the consolation round.

Brazil will play for fifth place against Greece. Australia will play the loser Saturday for seventh place.

Schmidt hit two free throws late in the game to give Brazil a 90-89 lead, then he made his fifth three-point shot of the second half moments later. Brazil scored the game's last five points.

Andrew Gaze scored 37 points to lead Australia, and Luc Longley added 14.

Greece 81, Argentina 78

Pano Giannakis scored 36 points and Greece maintained possesion for the final 45 seconds to hold off Argentina 81-78 in a consolation game.

Argentina pulled within 79-78 when Carlos Romano hit a three-point shot with 45 seconds to play. But Argentina was called for a foul before the 30-second shot clock expired, enabling Greece to get 30 more seconds and

take the ball out of bounds rather than shoot free throws, as is allowed under international rules. Greece then added a basket as time expired.

Sebastian Uranga scored 20 points to lead Argentina.

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#90230u0122 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

SPRINGFIELD, IL. (AUG. 18) UPI - The next time you swing your partner or do-si-do you'll be performing the official state dance of Illinois, thanks to legislation signed by Gov. James R. Thompson.

The governor promenaded to the Twilight Ballroom at the state fairgrounds Friday where he signed a bill making square-dancing the official American folk dance for the state.

Thompson said square dancing has been present in America in various forms since 1651 and it's fitting that the state recognize the tradition.

''Square dancing is as endemic to Illinois as the prairie plants that border our agricultural landscape,'' he said. ''Thousands of people enjoy square dancing, many on regular basis.''

The governor, however, said he would not be one of them.

''No, no, no,'' Thompson exclaimed when about a dozen dancers at the signing ceremony invited him to take a trip around the dance floor.

The designation was the most recent victory for the string tie and fluffy-skirt lobby, which has now successfully persuaded officials in 11 states to make square dancing their state dance.

It's also the latest in a long series of official Illinois mascots that seems to get larger every year. Lawmakers in 1989 designated a wormlike prehistoric beast called the ''Tully Monster'' as the official state fossil.

Drummer silty clay loam would also have joined such symbols as the state bird, fish, animal, flower, song, mineral and insect if downstate lawmakers had successfully passed a bill creating a state soil this spring.

The measure ground to a halt despite repeated efforts to revive it.

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#90230u0127 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

PASADENA, CA. (AUG. 18) UPI - Engineers carefully maintained contact with NASA's Magellan probe Saturday, scrambling to figure out what

temporarily threw the Venus radar mapper out of contact with Earth and into a protective, computer-induced state of hibernation.

Contact with Magellan was lost late Thursday after an unidentified problem prompted the craft's electronic brain to put the probe into a ''safe mode'' that left it slowly rotating in space in a passive search for instructions from distant Earth, 145 million miles away.

Engineers re-established intermittent contact Friday afternoon and after studying diagnostic data from Magellan, commands were radioed to the probe to stop its rotation.

''They radioed commands up to the spacecraft to tell it to stop its search for Earth and it radioed back that it will stay in contact,'' said Mary Beth Murrill, a spokeswoman for the Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

''The project is now commencing to read out the memory of all the subsystems to reconstruct what triggered Magellan to go into a safe position to begin with.''

Once the problem is understood, ''they can presumably fix the problem or avoid whatever happened in the future,'' Murrill said. ''They're very confident they're going to be able to fix the spacecraft and conduct the mission.''

But the work likely will take several days or more, delaying the start of Magellan's long-awaited $551 million mission to map the surface of Venus with a high-tech radar system capable of ''seeing'' through the thick clouds that perpetually block the surface from view.

The ''safe mode'' presumably went into effect because of trouble finding and locking onto the correct guide star, part of a routine procedure to update the on-board computer about the spacecraft's orientation in space.

Such computer-ordered ''safing'' was built into Magellan's software to protect the spacecraft in the event of problems beyond the electronic brain's ability to handle.

''Safe mode'' programming calls for Magellan to point its two solar panels broadside to the sun and to rotate about its vertical axis to sweep the sky with a medium-data-rate antenna. In so doing, the spacecraft's signal eventually swept across Earth Friday, allowing contact to be re-established.

Magellan was built to map at least 90 percent of the surface of Venus during a 243-day mission. Engineers had just started testing the radar mapping system Thursday when contact was lost.

With NASA already reeling from criticism over the flawed Hubble Space Telescope and problems with the shuttle program, resuming operations with Magellan is crucial to the space agency.

JPL spokesman Alan Wood said the 2.5-ton spacecraft, which dropped into orbit around Venus last Friday, had successfully completed its second radar mapping orbit when contact was lost.

During each radar mapping orbit, Magellan points its main antenna at Venus to collect radar data about its surface. After each such mapping ''pass,'' the spacecraft is supposed to reorient itself and point the antenna at Earth so radar data, recorded on tape, can be transmitted to JPL for analysis.

The spacecraft then turns the antenna away from Earth so optical sensors can look for programmed ''guide stars'' to update information about the probe's orientation in space.

Engineers at JPL expected Magellan to resume contact with Earth Thursday at the completion of the guide star update, but no signal was received.

Once it is checked out and in operation, Magellan will map the surface of Venus revealing features as small as a football field, 10 times better than any previous effort.

With such relatively sharp maps in hand, scientists may be able to learn why Venus, similar to Earth in many respects, ended up the 900-degree inferno it is today, the victim of a runaway ''greenhouse'' effect. The results could provide valuable insights into how Earth's environment operates.

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#90230u0130 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (AUG. 18) UPI - A commercial Delta 2 rocket hurled a $100 million British satellite into orbit in a spectacular night flight to complete a powerful two-satellite network of direct-broadcast TV relay stations.

The 1,125-pound solar-powered satellite was fired into its planned, preliminary orbit about 28 minutes after the Delta 2's sky-lighting liftoff Friday from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station.

An on-board rocket will fire later to boost the satellite into a circular orbit 22,300 miles above the equator.

''It was really a super launch,'' said Apollo 12 moonwalker Pete Conrad, an official with rocket builder McDonnell Douglas. ''You get a real

appreciation for what kind of ride that is when you can see it from the ground.''

Once in operation, the BSB-R2 satellite - called Marcopolo 2 - will join another such spacecraft already in orbit to allow British Satellite Broadcasting Ltd. to transmit five television channels direct to cable stations and to small, 1-foot-square home antennas across the United Kingdom.

The mission began at 8:42 p.m. EDT Friday when the satellite's 126-foot, blue-and-white Delta 2 rocket blasted off from launch pad 17A, one hour late because of stormy weather and trouble with a ground computer.

Pending confirmation of the spacecraft separation from its third stage rocket, it was the 20th successful Delta launch in a row for McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co. of Huntington Beach, Calif., and the 12th straight success for the company's upgraded Delta 2.

The first BSB satellite was successfully launched Aug. 27, 1989, and stationed in ''geostationary'' orbit 22,300 miles up by the first commercially launched Delta 2 booster.

At that altitude, satellites take 24 hours to complete one orbit and thus appear to hang stationary in the sky, eliminating the need for costly, steerable antennas on the ground.

The two drum-shaped BSB satellites were built by Hughes Aircraft Co. of El Segundo, Calif., under a unique $300 million contract that covers the cost of both relay stations, two $50 million Delta 2 rockets, launch insurance and other services.

''Hughes agreed to purchase the launch and insurance for the satellites and to thoroughly test (them) in orbit before handing them over to BSB, an agreement new to the commercial satellite industry,'' Hughes said in a company brochure.

''Hughes is assuming the launch risks conventionally undertaken by the satellite buyer.''

Direct broadcast television satellites have not been marketed in the United States, but BSB is making a major effort to turn a profit in the United Kingdom.

Some 50,000 ''kits,'' made up of 1-foot-square antennas and receivers, currently are installed in homes across Britain and the company hopes to boost that figure to 1 million by the end of the year. Each kit costs about $700. In addition, some 400,000 cable subscribers currently take the BSB service.

Once the new satellite is checked out by Hughes and turned over the BSB for operational use, customers will receive five television channels, including The Movie Channel, an all-sports channel and others featuring comedy, drama, music and other offerings.

The Hughes model 376 satellites are the most successful communications stations ever built with some 26 in active service or awaiting launch.

The cylindrical satellites, which spin like tops at 50 rpm for stability, are covered with solar cells and crowned by a dish-shaped antenna reflector. BSB-2R and its counterpart feature additional solar cells to generate the 110-watt-per-channel power necessary for direct broadcast television.

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#90230u0135 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - East German Social Democrats say they do NOT intend to support a proposed German Unification Treaty as it presently exists. Social Democrats say they canNOT support the document because of what they say is its failure to address the social security needs of East Germans. But the West German government responded to the Social Democrats' threat of NON-support by saying Bonn would secure unification by unilaterally passing a so-called transitional law.

Dallas officials say they will let a grand jury decide if charges will be filed against an 87-year-old man who fatally shot a burglar who broke into the camper where he lived. Stonewall Jackson Beckworth... who was beaten and robbed six months ago... told police he warned the burglar that he had a gun and planned to use it. Despite the warning, the alleged thief continued prying at Beckworth's door.

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#90230u0142 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - SATURDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR

(All times EDT)

Baseball

American League

California at Boston, 1:15 p.m.
Kansas City at Milwaukee, 1:15 p.m.
Seattle at New York, 1:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Oakland at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Texas, 8:35 p.m.
Toronto at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.

National League
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 1:20 p.m.
New York at San Francisco, 3:35 p.m.
Atlanta at Chicago, 4:05 p.m.
Houston at St. Louis, 8:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
Montreal at Los Angeles, 10:05 p.m.

Edmonton, Alberta - World Championships

Basketball
Buenos Aires, Argentina - Men's World Championships

Boxing
Middleweights
Las Vegas, Nev. - Nigel Benn vs. Iran Barkley

Football
NFL Exhibition
New Orleans vs. Green Bay at Madison, Wis., 2 p.m.
Dallas at LA Raiders, 4 p.m.
Cincinnati at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
Miami at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
NY Giants at Houston, 8 p.m.
NY Jets at Kansas City, 8 p.m.
New England vs. Tampa Bay at Jacksonville, Fla., 8 p.m.
San Diego at LA Rams, 10 p.m.
Chicago at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.

Golf
Castle Rock, Colo. - PGA The International
New Rochelle, N.Y. - $400,000 LPGA Big Apple Classic
Park City, Utah - U.S. West Showdown Senior Classic

Horse Racing
Saratoga Springs, N.Y. - The Travers.

Tennis
Indianapolis - Men's $1 million U.S. Hardcourts Championships
Manhattan Beach, Calif. - Women's $350,000 Virginia Slims of Los Angeles
New Haven, Conn. - Men's $1 million Volvo International

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#90230u0249 08/18/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 18) UPI - AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDINGS

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	63	54	.538	-	36-19	27-35	5-5	L-2
Toronto	63	56	.529	1	32-29	31-27	6-4	W-1
Baltimore	56	61	.479	7	26-27	30-34	3-7	L-3
Cleveland	56	63	.471	8	32-29	24-34	6-4	L-1
Detroit	55	66	.455	11	27-33	28-33	3-7	W-1
Milwaukee	52	65	.444	11	25-32	27-33	6-4	W-4
New York	47	70	.402	16	24-29	23-41	4-6	W-1

West

Oakland	76	43	.639	-	40-22	36-21	8-2	W-2
Chicago	68	48	.586	6 1/2	34-26	34-22	4-6	W-1
Texas	61	58	.513	15	32-25	29-33	4-6	L-1
Seattle	60	59	.504	16	32-33	28-26	3-7	L-1
California	59	60	.496	17	32-30	27-30	7-3	W-4
Kansas City	57	61	.483	18 1/2	33-28	24-33	7-3	L-2
Minnesota	55	64	.462	21	29-31	26-33	4-6	L-3

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#90230u0282 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	69	49	.585	-	34-23	35-26	5-5	W-3
New York	66	50	.569	2	40-22	26-28	5-5	L-1
Montreal	62	56	.525	7	33-23	29-33	7-3	L-2
Chicago	57	61	.483	12	30-31	27-30	6-4	W-1
Philadel.	56	60	.483	12	29-28	27-32	5-5	W-4
St. Louis	55	64	.462	14 1/2	28-35	27-29	5-5	W-1

West

Cincinnati	68	49	.581	-	35-22	33-27	5-5	L-2
San Fran.	61	57	.517	7 1/2	31-24	30-33	3-7	W-1
Los Angeles	61	57	.517	7 1/2	33-24	28-33	6-4	W-1
San Diego	55	62	.470	13	29-33	26-29	6-4	L-1
Houston	52	67	.437	17	35-25	17-42	5-5	L-1
Atlanta	44	74	.373	24 1/2	25-34	19-40	3-7	L-2

-30- 1029

#90230u0288 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 18) UPI - A jury focused on the defense cases of two of the three youths accused of raping and attempting to kill a female jogger in Central Park as it headed into its 10th day of deliberations.

The panel, which was scheduled to resume its deliberations Saturday, listened Friday to a readback of testimony from two police officers that supported a defense theory offered by Raymond Santana's lawyer, Peter Rivera.

In his summation, Rivera noted that several police officers responded to calls about a ring of fire burning just 100 feet from where the 30-year-old investment banker was attacked.

Prosecutors say the jogger was bashed in the head, gang-raped, beaten again and left for dead about 9:30 p.m. on April 19, 1989.

Police officer Mark Carlson testified he arrived at the fire at about 9:40 p.m. and found two other officers there, while officer Ivelisse Flores estimated she arrived at the fire about 9:25 p.m. or 9:30 p.m.

Rivera argued that with police officers in the area, it was unlikely the youths would have risked attacking the woman. He also argued the police officers would have heard her screams.

Instead, Rivera argued, the rape must have occurred later in the evening - after the youths left the park and were under arrest - and therefore was committed by someone else.

On Friday, the ninth day of deliberations, the jury also watched defendant Antron McCray's videotaped confession for the fifth time.

Earlier in the day, they re-heard the testimony of his mother, Linda McCray, who claimed her son lied when he confessed last year to the rape and beating so he could go home with his parents.

As the video camera began recording at the police precinct, Linda McCray testified, her teenage son gave a graphic account of the beating and gang-rape of the woman jogger in Central Park.

McCray, 16, Santana, 15, and Yusef Salaam, 16, are on trial on 13 criminal counts of being part of a gang of up to 30 youths who went on a ''wilding'' rampage, randomly beating and robbing people. The trial began June 25.

On the video, McCray admitted kicking the 30-year-old jogger, hitting her with a metal pipe, holding her down while others raped her and then climbing on top of her and feigning intercourse.

''Were you shocked?'' asked Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer during her cross-examination at the trial in state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

''I know, I know myself he wouldn't do anything ... . I know it was a lie '' the mother replied in a choked voice.

''My husband said that the police told him if Antron tell them what they want to know and put himself in it, he go home. If he don't, he go to jail '' she added.

''Did you honestly believe that if Antron said, 'I held her down while four others raped her, I raped her, I beat her with a pipe,' did you honestly believe he would go home?'' Lederer asked incredulously.

''I believed what my husband said, that the police said he could go home '' the mother replied.

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(AUG. 18) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Baseball

Baltimore - Placed first baseman Randy Milligan on 15-day disabled list retroactive to Aug. 10th; recalled first baseman David Segui from Rochester of the International League (AAA); called up pitcher Anthony Telford from Hagerstown of the Eastern League (AA).

California - Placed shortstop Kent Anderson on 15-day disabled list retroactive to Aug. 16; purchased contract of infielder Pete Coachman from Edmonton of Pacific Coast League (AAA); outrighted infielder Mark McLemore to Colorado Springs of the PCL, completing last year's trade with Cleveland for catcher Ron Tingley.

Los Angeles - Placed pitcher Tim Belcher on 15-day disabled list; called up infielder Jose Opperman from Albuquerque of the Pacific Coast League (AAA).

National League - Suspended St. Louis first baseman Pedro Guerrero one game and fined him and Houston pitcher Danny Darwin for altercation in Aug. 16 game.

New York (AL) - Named Jack Lawn temporary chief executive.

Philadelphia - Assigned pitcher Steve Ontiveros to Reading of Eastern League (AA) on rehabilitation assignment.

Basketball

Memphis (WBL) - Activated guard Winston Crite; placed guard Quinton Lytle

on taxi squad.

San Antonio - Signed guard Willie Anderson to 4-year contract extension and signed forward Terry Cummings to a contract extension, terms not disclosed.

College

Chicago State - Named Rick Pryorhletic Conference - Announced retirement of commissioner Lou McCullough effective July 31, 1991.

Football

Philadelphia - Released strong safety Tyrone Jones; reached agreement on 3-year contract with tackle Ron Heller.

San Diego - Released nose tackle Tony Gunn and linebacker Ken Woodard; announced guard Mike Simmonds would miss the season with a knee injury.

World League of American Football - Named Chet Franklin Professional Player Personnel Coordinator-United States.

Hockey

Hartford - Signed right winger Mark Greig to multi-year contract.

NY Islanders - Named Butch Goring head coach of AHL-affiliate Capital District.

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(AUG. 18) UPI - NFL EXHIBITION STANDINGS

Exhibition Standings

American Conference

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Denver	2	0	0	1.000	26	14
San Diego	1	0	0	1.000	28	16
NY Jets	1	0	0	1.000	17	6
Seattle	2	1	0	.667	54	29
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500	54	51
LA Raiders	1	1	0	.500	33	30
Cleveland	1	1	0	.500	25	33
Miami	0	1	0	.000	6	10
Cincinnati	0	1	0	.000	17	30
Kansas City	0	1	0	.000	3	19
New England	0	1	0	.000	14	30

Houston	0	1	0	.000	10	34
Buffalo	0	2	0	.000	19	44
Indianapolis	0	2	0	.000	17	26

National Conference

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Chicago	2	0	0	1.000	23	6
New Orleans	2	0	0	1.000	30	20
Detroit	2	0	0	1.000	58	23
LA Rams	1	0	0	1.000	19	3
NY Giants	1	0	0	1.000	20	6
Tampa Bay	1	0	0	1.000	30	17
Atlanta	1	0	0	1.000	31	27
Washington	1	1	0	.500	54	55
Minnesota	0	1	0	.000	10	13
Green Bay	0	1	0	.000	20	25
San Fran.	0	1	0	.000	13	23
Philadelphia	0	1	0	.000	6	17
Dallas	0	1	0	.000	16	28
Phoenix	0	1	0	.000	9	34

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(AUG. 18) UPI - With a little help from his teammates, Oakland pitcher Bob Welch accomplished a feat not done in 17 years.

The Athletics scored seven runs in the fifth inning Friday, helping Welch record his 20th victory of the season with an 8-3 triumph over the Baltimore Orioles.

Welch, a 20-game winner for the first time in his 13-year career, reached the 20-victory plateau on the earliest date of any pitcher since Chicago White Sox pitcher Wilbur Wood. He won his 20th game July 29, 1973.

Welch, 20-4, won his fourth straight game, giving up nine hits over eight innings. Welch improved to 7-1 since the All-Star break.

John Mitchell, 5-5, gave up Mark McGwire's three-run home run and Carney Lansford's two-run single in the fifth inning to take the loss.

''He made some bad pitches with his curveball,'' Baltimore Manager Frank Robinson said. ''We've had Welch on the ropes a couple times this year, but he always seems to get away. Give him credit. He knows how to pitch.''

''The best part about winning 20 games is that we are in first place,'' Welch said. ''I felt good throughout, from the beginning to the end.''

Welch joined Dave Stewart, Vida Blue, Mike Norris, Jim Hunter and Ken Holtzman as 20-game Oakland winners.

''My job is to hold them and let the offense take care of itself,'' Welch said. ''Any time I started thinking about 20 wins and not the game, I got in trouble.''

Welch recorded 138 of his 169 career victories during the 1980s and is 54-21 with Oakland over the last three seasons.

''(I'm) proud of him,'' Oakland Manager Tony La Russa said. ''That's outstanding getting 20 wins, but that's not the stated goal, as he said. It's to win the Western Division.''

Elsewhere in the AL, New York edged Seattle 3-2, Detroit beat Cleveland 3-0, California blanked Boston 1-0, Toronto downed Minnesota 5-1, Milwaukee shaded Kansas City 2-1, Texas split a double-header with Chicago taking the first game 1-0 in 13 innings and dropping the nightcap, 4-2.

In the NL, it was, Chicago 7, Atlanta 0; Pittsburgh 7, Cincinnati 1, 1st game; Pittsburgh 4, Cincinnati 3, 2nd game; St. Louis 5, Houston 0; Philadelphia 2, San Diego 1; Los Angeles 7, Montreal 6 and San Francisco 3 New York 2.

Yankees 3, Mariners 2

At New York, Oscar Azocar scored from second base on third baseman Edgar Martinez' throwing error in the eighth inning. Lee Guetterman, 8-4, was the winner. Dave Righetti pitched the ninth for his 25th save. Bill Swift, 5-3, took the loss.

Tigers 3, Indians 0

At Detroit, Cecil Fielder backed Jack Morris' six-hit shutout with a run-scoring double and his league-leading 38th home run of the season. Morris, 1-6 in his previous seven starts, raised his record to 10-15. Tom Candiotti, 12-8, absorbed the loss.

Angels 1, Red Sox 0

At Boston, Johnny Ray singled home Devon White with an unearned run in the ninth inning to guide California. Chuck Finley, 16-5, pitched a four-hitter for his fifth complete game. Mike Boddicker, 11-8, also pitched a complete game, his third of the season.

Blue Jays 5, Twins 1

At Minneapolis, Dave Stieb and Duane Ward combined on a five-hitter and

Fred McGriff hit a two-run homer to enable Toronto to pull within one game of first place in the AL East. Steib, raised his record to 16-4. Ward notched his ninth save. Scott Erickson, 3-3, took the loss.

Brewers 2, Royals 1

At Milwaukee, B.J. Surhoff drove in the go-ahead run in the third inning and Teddy Higuera notched his first victory since July 5. Higuera, improved to 7-5. Tom Gordon, 8-9, took the loss. Dan Plesac got the final out for his 20th save.

White Sox 4, Rangers 2, 2nd
Rangers 1, White Sox 0, 13 innings, 1st

At Arlington, Texas, Carlton Fisk hit a record home run and Bobby Thigpen collected his 38th save to help Chicago gain a 4-2 victory in the nightcap. Fisk's blast was his 328th career homer, moving him past Cincinnati catcher Johnny Bench on the all-time list for home runs by a catcher. Melido Perez, 11-10, earned the victory. Charlie Hough, 10-8, took the loss. In the first game, Ruben Sierra hit a bases-loaded single in the 13th inning that scored Garry Pettis and made a winner of reliever Kenny Rogers 5-5. Donn Pall, 2-5, took the loss.

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(AUG. 18) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... U-P-I brings you the latest news.

An ominous development in Iraq. The State Department in Washington says 35 Americans who were being held in the Rashid Hotel in Baghdad were moved to another downtown hotel. U-S officials in Baghdad were NOT allowed to visit them. Also yesterday, Defense Secretary Cheney left Washington for Saudi Arabia for a close-up look at the U-S troop buildup.

Investors around the world went on a selling binge before the weekend, as tensions in the Middle East continued to dampen investor confidence. The global sell-off began yesterday in Japan and sent stocks sharply lower in Asia, across Europe and in New York.

The African National Congress blames factional fighting near Johannesburg on ''sinister forces'' who want to undermine the A-N-C as the leading anti-apartheid movement in South Africa. The fifth day of fighting saw black rivals battling each other in Soweto township. The death toll is now 190.

A 100-Million-dollar British satellite is in preliminary orbit around the Earth following launch of a commercial Delta-2 rocket from Cape Canaveral

last night. Once in its permanent orbit, the satellite will complete a powerful, two-satellite network of direct-broadcast T-V relay stations.

Entertainer Pearl Bailey, who danced and sang her way from Pennsylvania coal towns to stardom as an actress in musicals on Broadway, died yesterday in her motel room in Philadelphia. She was 72. Her road manager says the cause of death is NOT known. She had a history of heart trouble.

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(AUG. 18) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

Batting

(Minimum 275 at-bats)

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	358	85	118	.330
Palmeiro, Tex	438	54	141	.322
Griffey, Sea	461	72	148	.321
Harper, Min	355	49	112	.315
Trammell, Det	442	56	138	.312
Sheffield, Mil	404	57	126	.312
Brett, KC	408	62	127	.311
Quintana, Bos	356	41	110	.309
JoReed, Bos	424	53	131	.309
Boggs, Bos	450	66	139	.309

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	428	86	148	.346
McGee, StL	463	68	156	.337
Magadan, NY	305	52	101	.331
Dawson, Chi	383	51	126	.329
Gwynn, SD	471	66	149	.316
Bonds, Pit	380	82	120	.316
Sandberg, Chi	471	90	146	.310
Murray, LA	398	65	123	.309
Jefferies, NY	439	73	134	.305
L.Smith, Atl	323	48	98	.303

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 38; Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 31; McGriff, Tor 28; Deer, Mil and Gruber, Tor 23.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 28; Strawberry, NY and Bonilla, Pit 27; Mitchell, SF 26; Williams, SF 23.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 98; Gruber, Tor 83; Canseco, Oak 82; McGwire, Oak 81; Bell, Tor 74.
National League - Carter, SD 96; Williams, SF 92; Bonds, Pit 88; Bonilla, Pit 80; Strawberry, NY 77.

Doubles

American League - Reed, Bos 38; Puckett, Min, Brett, KC and Boggs, Bos 33; Calderon, Chi 32.
National League - Wallach, Mon 32; Dykstra, Phi 32; Jefferies, NY 30; Sabo, Cin and Bonilla, Pit 29.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 15; Sosa, Chi 9; Johnson, Chi, Burks, Bos andPettis, Tex 7.
National League - Duncan, Cin and Smith, Atl 8; Coleman, Stl, Thompson, Stl and Gwynn, SD 7.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 49; Sax, NY 30; Calderon, Chi 29; Pettis, Tex 28; Kelly, NY 26.
National League - Coleman, Stl 62; Yelding, Hou 48; Bonds, Pit 42; Nixon, Mon 37; Samuel, LA 35.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 85; Fielder, Det 77; McGriff, Tor and Yount, Mil 76; Griffey, Sea and Puckett, Min 72.
National League - Bonilla, Pit 93; Sandberg, Chi 90; Dykstra, Phi 86; Bonds, Pit 82; Sabo, Cin 80.

Hits

American League - Griffey, Sea 148; Palmeiro, Tex 141; Boggs, Bos 139; Trammell, Det 138; Seitzer, KC 134.
National League - McGee, Stl 156; Gwynn, SD 149; Dykstra, Phi 148; Sandberg, Chi 146; Alomar, SD 141.

Pitching

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 20; Stewart, Oak and Clemens, Bos 17; Finley Cal and Stieb, Tor 16.
National League - Martinez, LA, Drabek, Pit and Viola, NY 15; Harkey, Chi Armstrong and Browning, Cin and Gooden, NY 12.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 100 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 2.06; Finley, Cal 2.24; Stewart, Oak 2.43; McCaskill, Cal 2.96; Stieb, Tor 2.99.
National League - Tudor, Stl 2.45; Whitson, SD 2.53; Viola, NY 2.79; Drabek, Pit 2.88; Boyd, Mon and De.Martinez, Mon 2.92.

Strikeouts
American League - Clemens, Bos 175; Ryan, Tex 165; Witt, Tex 162; Hanson, Sea 152; Johnson, Sea 147.
National League - Martinez, LA 176; Cone, NY 152; Gooden, NY 150; Smoltz, Atl 132; DeLeon, Stl, 130.

Saves
American League - Thigpen, Chi 39; Eckersley, Oak 37; Jones, Cle 33; Schooler, Sea 29; Olson, Bal 27.
National League - Franco, NY 27; Myers, Cin 24; Smith, Stl 21; Smith, Hou 20; Lefferts, SD, 18.

Complete Games
American League - Stewart, Oak 8; Brown, Tex, Young, Sea and Morris, Det 6; Finley, Cal, Leary, NY, Saberhagen, KC and Clemens, Bos 5.
National League - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA, De.Martinez, Mon, Viola, NY 6; J. Smoltz, Atl, Belcher, LA, Maddux, Chi, Drabek, Pit and Hurst, SD 5.

Shutouts
American League - Stewart, Oak and Clemens, Bos 3; 11 players tied with 2.
National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mon and Viola, NY 3; 14 players tied with 2.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 18) UPI - Entertainers, fans and friends remembered Pearl Bailey as a tireless performer who transcended racial barriers while singing and dancing her way to stardom in a career that spanned seven decades

Bailey, best known for the sassy jazz and blues vocals she belted out on stage, screen and television, died Friday of undetermined causes after losing consciousness in her hotel room. She was 72.

Bailey, who had a long history of heart trouble, was rushed to Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, where she was pronounced dead at 6:12 p.m. A hospital spokeswoman said autopsy results would not be known for several days.

''I lost the best friend I ever had after 38, almost 39 years,'' said Bailey's husband, drummer Louis Bellson Jr. ''She was the most honest and caring person I ever met in my life.''

Musician Wynton Marsalis said he would remember Bailey as ''a very warm woman who represents the best that the world has to offer. She loved everybody.''

''She came as advertised,'' songwriter Sammy Cahn said. ''When you said Pearl Bailey, it was a spirit; it was a talent. There was a personality.

''She came along in a troublesome time for performers, but she always took the stage and she did herself and her race proud. She was just as special as they come,'' Cahn said.

Veteran comedian Milton Berle said Bailey had ''her own original style.''

''She was a real pro ... a terrific perfectionist,'' he said. ''We're losing a heavyweight.''

Bellson said Bailey was sitting in a chair in her room at the Holiday Inn Friday evening as they prepared to leave for New York and then go home to Lake Havasu City, Ariz.

''She started rubbing her hands first. And then it was almost like she was hyperventilating,'' Bellson said. ''She said, 'I'm rubbing my hands, I don't know what it is.'

''By the time I got the cloths and put some ice in it, she said, 'I don't know what's happening to me.''' Bellson said she asked him to call her doctor and then immediately told him to call the paramedics.

''And after I did and I look at her and it's just that fast, you know, so I'm inclined to feel that she didn't have any pain.''

He said her head dipped forward, ''And that was it.''

Bailey entered Pennsylvania Hospital July 9 for surgery to replace an arthritic knee. The hospital handles a large number of orthopedic cases each year. Her road manager, E.B. Smith, said she had been having therapy on the knee but had completed that and was packing to leave the city.

The entertainer was revered by blues and jazz fans as ''Pearly Mae.'' She was perhaps best remembered for her film role in ''Porgy and Bess'' and her Tony award-winning Broadway performance as Dolly in an all-black production of ''Hello, Dolly!''

Bailey, born March 29, 1918, in the small Chesapeake Bay village of Newport News, Va., was drawn to an entertainment career in her teens and won an amateur stage contest at age 15 during the Depression.

She left her family soon after to tour in a variety of small dramatic productions through Pennsylvania's poverty-stricken coal mining towns. It was a short hop to vaudeville, where she danced and sang with Noble Sissle's band.

But it was the soulful blues style and lighthearted stage banter that usually began, ''Listen, Honey,'' which endeared her to audiences in small smoky jazz joints to the unseen millions through her television shows.

Bailey scored a remarkable stage debut in Broadway's ''St. Louis Woman,'' for which she won the Donaldson Award as the best newcomer in 1946. Other stage productions, including ''Arms and the Girl,'' ''Bless You All'' and ''House of Flowers,'' were preludes to a film career that aroused attention in 1958 when she performed in the all-black production of ''Porgy and Bess.'' Other films included ''That Certain Feeling'' and ''All the Fine Young Cannibals.''

It was on the movie set of ''Porgy and Bess'' that Bailey won an early skirmish for black civil rights by demanding the elimination of ''undignified and unnatural'' Negro dialect from the George Gershwin folk drama.

''There's a lot of people out there waiting for a dialect, so let's talk the way we really talk, without the 'dems, doeses and deses,''' she told reporters. ''We don't talk like that. Maybe we did 50 years ago, but not now.''

Bailey had been married three times before she wed Bellson, a white drummer with Duke Ellington's band, in 1952.

Heart ailments dogged her frenetic stage, screen and television career after World War II and in 1965 exhaustion from overwork forced her hospitalization five times - two were relapses from previous heart seizures. In 1972 she was hospitalized twice.

She collapsed in the wings of a Manhattan supper club in 1965 and against the advice of her physician, belted out a second hourlong performance after being given oxygen. ''Pearl can't do the things she did 35 years ago '' she kidded during the performance.

Bailey collapsed again on Dec. 29, 1974, in her hotel room in Denver, Colo., only hours before she was to open a nightclub show. She was rushed to Denver General Hospital where she quickly recovered. Doctors explained that she had suffered from exhaustion and the effects of altitude.

But she was back on her feet, lively as ever, within a few days. Two weeks later, after having watched President Gerald Ford's State of the Union address on TV, she commented: ''I kept hoping he would throw those papers up into the air and say, 'Another thing, we're going to clean up these buildings, clean the streets and start progress.''' Then she added: ''What this country needs is a goddarned enema - not just a cleansing.''

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(AUG. 18) UPI - Firefighters are gaining the upper hand against most of the wildfires that burned through seven Western states the past two weeks. California's Yosemite National Park re-opened yesterday for the first time in more than a week. The park was closed because of wildfires that charred 25-thousand acres.

A New York City jury is headed into its 10th day of deliberations in the Central Park jogger rape trial. Yesterday, the panel listened to a readback of testimony from police officers that supports a defense theory. The theory says the April 1989 rape of a female jogger occurred after the defendants left the park.

The fourth round of Salvadoran peace talks began yesterday in Costa Rica with rebels calling for the disarming and complete purge of the armed forces. Rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front also demanded establishment of a panel to set ground rules for a new civilian police.

Authorities in Los Angeles say an alleged drug kingpin and 16 of his top lieutenants were arrested yesterday. The defendants, including alleged drug baron Thomas Whitmore's mother, were accused of distributing more than 100-Million dollars in cocaine annually across the nation.

The Justice Department filed a lawsuit yesterday in Washington against failed savings-and-loan executive Charles Keating. The suit aims to force Keating to reveal his assets to federal regulators. They're seeking restitution from the former chairman of Lincoln Savings and Loan, a California thrift seized by the government in April 1989.

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#90230u0354 08/18/1990 ~United Press International
SOWETO, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 18) UPI - Police battling to contain factional fighting in the nation's most densely populated black city called for army support Saturday after six days of butchering left 207 dead and more than 200 wounded.

Gen. Johan van der Merwe said police reinforcements backed by army units would be deployed in Soweto and all efforts made to halt the ''senseless violence'' between supporters of the Zulu movement Inkatha of Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi and the African National Congress led by Nelson Mandela.

Both movements condemned the violence but efforts Thursday by President Frederik de Klerk, Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok and Mandela to halt

the bloodshed through a ''peace forum'' failed to take hold.

Police Col. Tienie Halgryn said the city was reasonably calm Saturday but that polilce continued to disperse mobs of ANC supporters gathering near hostels where Zulu migrant workers live.

Friday night and early Saturday, rioters set fire at least one bus, a police vehicle and several houses.

The fighting spread to various districts of Soweto on Thursday after clashes in three townships east in Johannesburg erupted Monday. Police put the death toll in Soweto fighting Thursday and Friday at about 50.

Before dawn Saturday, police said, a mob killed a Soweto town councillor outside his home in Pimville, grabbing the man's firearm and slashing his neck.

As police used tear gas and rubber bullets Friday to disperse the rival mobs, Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu announced he was cutting short his visit to Canada and returning to join efforts to halt the bloodshed.

''I can't be away from our people at a time such as this,'' the 1984 Nobel Peace Prize winner said in a statement issued from Halifax, Canada. ''My concern is that I should just be at home.''

Among at least 24 people killed Friday was a 13-year-old boy shot in the head by a white policeman in a narrow alley between houses while officers were chasing a group of youths, witnesses said.

Winnie Mandela, wife of African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela, rushed to the scene to console the child's hysterical mother and accused the police of ''running amok, killing the community.''

Most other victims were men, dying in street fighting, in open lots or in barrack-like hostels - clubbed or hacked to death by rival fighters wielding knives, machetes and tribal fighting sticks.

Thousands of Soweto residents stayed away from work, terrified to risk gangs roving through the sprawling city of 2 million or being caught in crossfire. As darkness fell, the situation appeared to worsen, with crowds massing in previously unaffected areas.

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TYRE, LEBANON (AUG. 18) UPI - Sixteen Shiite prisoners whose fate has been linked to that of Western hostages held in Lebanon were reported Saturday to be freed from prison in Kuwait City and trying to flee the

emirate with forged passports.

A Lebanese Shiite group believed to be holding American hostages had offered in the past to set the Americans free in exchange for the freedom of the 16 Shiites, who were imprisoned in Kuwait City for their involvement in bombing Western embassies.

The 16 men were reportedly let out of jail when Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

Security sources in south Lebanon said Saturday that a Lebanese man, Abdel Aziz Krayem, who arrived in south Lebanon Friday from Kuwait, reported that he was held at Kuwait's State Security Prison along with the 16 Shiite prisoners.

Krayem, 40, who was serving a 15-year prison term for masterminding the bombing of Kuwaiti utilities, said the 16 were free and hiding in Kuwait City.

He said they were seeking forged passports from Lebanese Shiites living in Kuwait in order to leave the occupied emirate.

Krayem said he and the 16 escaped from their cells when families of Kuwaiti prisoners stormed the jail shortly after Iraqi forces invaded the city.

He said he succeeded in forging travel documents and arrived in Lebanon via Jordan and Syria late Friday.

The 16 prisoners, all members of the pro-Iranian Islamic Jihad, include two Lebanese, six Iraqis and eight Kuwaitis of Iranian origin. They were imprisoned for life in Kuwait for attempting to bomb the U.S. and French embassies and the emirate's oil refineries.

The Islamic Jihad, a group that claimed responsibility for kidnapping Americans Terry Anderson and Thomas Sutherland, had demanded the release of the 16 Shiites in exchange for freeing the two U.S. captives.

Kuwait had refused, and the United States backed its decision.

Previous reports have said the Iraqi army seized the 16 convicted activists and took them to Baghdad.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 18) UPI - A boy with AIDS who was embraced by the pope during a visit three years ago died of complications at the age of 7.

Brendan O'Rourke, who got the deadly disease from a blood transfusion when he was a premature infant, had tugged at John Paul II's ear and was given a hug as the pope visited 52 AIDS patients at Mission Delores in 1987.

The boy died early Friday at University of California-San Francisco Medical Center from complications of the disease, a church spokesman said.

The O'Rourke family, including his father John and his mother Elaine, made a pilgrimage to the Vatican in 1988 for the beatification ceremony of Father Junipero Serra, founder of 18th century missions in California.

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(AUG. 18) UPI - Iraq, upping the stakes in the Persian Gulf crisis, declared Saturday it would keep citizens of ''aggressive nations'' at military and other key installations in Iraq and Kuwait as long as the country is threatened with war.

Britain quickly denounced the detentions as illegal, unacceptable and contrary to all norms of international behavior. The U.S. State Department declined comment and the Bush administration has refused to classify Americans prohibited from leaving Iraq and Kuwait as ''hostages.''

At his vacation home in Kennebunkport, Maine, a visibly upset President Bush waived off questions from reporters early Saturday when asked about the fate of Americans.

Asked if he had talked with the White House situation room, Bush, preparing to play golf, snapped, ''I talk to them every morning about 5:30. I'm not going to take any more comments up here though.''

A White House spokesman promised a comment on the detention of Americans later in the day.

While Iraq did not specify which foreigners would remain, it clearly meant citizens of Western nations that sent military forces or financial aid to sustain those troops in the gulf following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. Nationals from the United States, Britain and Japan appear to have been singled out.

Troops from Arab countries, principally Egypt, also have been deployed in Saudi Arabia to defend against a possible Iraqi attack but more than 23,000 Arab and other foreigners have been allowed to flood across the border into Jordan from Iraq since Thursday. The Egyptian charge d'affaires in Amman said about 50,000 people were en route to the border, most of them Egyptians.

Only a handful of Westerners have managed to leave Iraq since Thursday. There were about 20,000 Western nationals in Iraq and Kuwait when Iraqi forces invaded on Aug. 2, including 3,000 Americans and 5,000 British citizens.

One Briton was shot and killed when he tried to flee from occupied Kuwait after the Iraqi invasion.

Before Saturday's declaration, Iraqi officials said Westerners were safe and their departures were delayed as a precautionary measure. In a move foreshadowing the announcement, about 35 Americans were reported Friday to have been moved from the Rashid Hotel in Baghdad to another downtown hotel and U.S. officials were refused permission to visit them.

''The people of Iraq have decided to play host to the citizens of these aggressive nations as long as Iraq remains threatened with an aggressive war,'' Saadi Mahdi Saleh, speaker of the Iraqi National Assembly, said in a statement to the Iraqi News Agency INA.

''This measure would continue until the aggressive countries offer the sufficient and tangible guarantees for the people of Iraq that danger of aggression has ended,'' he said.

Saleh said the foreigners would stay at military and other key installations in Iraq and Kuwait, including oil refineries and air bases - apparently an attempt by Iraq to create a human shield against possible attack or pre-emptive strikes, analysts said.

Saleh said Western governments, the United States in particular, had adopted ''unjust and hostile stances ... over the question of precautionary measures adopted for keeping nationals of those governments in Iraq.''

The United States deployed tens of thousands of troops to Saudi Arabia following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and sent dozens of warships to the gulf.

On Friday, the U.N. Security Council asked Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to look into the plight of the foreigners remaining in Kuwait and Iraq.

The Soviet news agency Tass reported, however, that an undisclosed number of Soviet citizens were set free and that Moscow had sent buses, ambulances and trucks to pick them up at the Jordanian border. The Soviets have not joined the multinational force in the gulf, although Moscow said it would do so if the United Nations supervised the action.

Hours before Iraq stepped up its pressure against Western governments, the

U.S. Navy challenged two Iraqi ships in the gulf under Bush's orders to enforce U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq.

U.S. warships intercepted the two Iraqi vessels in the gulf Friday but let them proceed when it was determined they were empty. Another Iraqi ship loaded with food sailed through the Suez Canal Friday toward a possible showdown with U.S. naval forces patrolling the Red Sea.

Pentagon sources said the warships were under orders to turn back ships bearing food and only allow though shipments of medicine. The U.N.'s Perez de Cuellar has said he believes the U.S. decision to enforce the embargo goes beyond the U.N. resolution on sanctions, which allows humanitarian shipments of food and medicine and does not specifically call for enforcement.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, traveling to the region, told reporters that U.S. troops would stay in Saudi Arabia as long as needed and it was too soon to tell if they would be there ''a year or two from now.''

''The commitment is long term,'' Cheney said.

Saleh called the buildup of foreign forces in the gulf region unprecedented and arrogant and said the economic embargo against Iraq is a ''war of starving the Iraqi people in a brutal and unprecedented manner.''

Iraq repeated its claims Saturday that it would use ''comprehensive destructive weapons'' - an apparent reference to its deadly arsenal of chemical weapons - if it was attacked.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein invaded and later annexed Kuwait over border and oil disputes, claiming the tiny oil-rich emirate is historically part of Iraq.

His decision to ''host'' foreigners at key installations in Iraq and Kuwait was a disturbing reminder of the American hostages held in Iran for 444 days and released in 1981, minutes after the inauguration of Ronald Reagan.

Joe Sisco, a former U.S. undersecretary of state, said Iraq's detention of the Westerners revealed a further deterioration in the gulf situation, but ''I doubt very much we are going to be provoked at this point in time into military action.''

Despite the emotional impact of the detention of American citizens by a foreign country, Sisko said he did not believe the Bush administration would allow it to ''subordinate the fundamental objectives'' of its policy to force out Iraq from Kuwait.

But he warned, ''if ever we get to the point where the holding of these people really becomes the prime thing, you are not going to get a modest reaction.''

Before the Iraqi announcement, the United States put commercial airlines on alert to help transport military equipment to Saudi Arabia, where about 45,000 American ground troops in Operation Desert Shield faced Iraqi forces across the tense border.

The Washington Post also reported that as many as 80,000 U.S. Army reservists could be called to support the operation, the first time reservists would be activated in almost 20 years.

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#90230u0367 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 18) UPI - The Philippine armed forces were placed on maximum alert after rightwing rebels announced they would try again to overthrow President Corazon Aquino's government, officials said Saturday.

Maj. Gen. Rodolfo Biazon, deputy military chief of staff, said the order involving the 159,000-member armed forces went into effect Friday following the announcement and after six bomb explosions rocked the capital in recent days, damaging government buildings and a bank but causing no injuries.

Biazon inspected some 2,500 marines in full battle dress Saturday at the armed forces headquarters in suburban Quezon City in a display of government force that included 21 tanks and armored vehicles, heavy artillery, anti-tank and anti-aircraft weapons.

Security around the sprawling military camp and in other bases in the capital was also tightened, Biazon said.

Former Col. Gregorio Honasan, who led the December 1989 coup attempt that nearly toppled Aquino, issued a statement Wednesday urging rightwing forces ''to resume the conduct of tactical operations effective immediately.''

Military rebels suspended attacks against the government following the July 16 earthquake that killed more than 1,600 people and devastated the main island of Luzon.

At least 119 people were killed and more than 500 wounded in the Dec. 1-9 mutiny, the sixth and most serious challenge against Aquino, who took power in a civilian-backed military revolt in 1986.

''If they would stage another coup, we are ready for it,'' Biazon told reporters during his inspection.

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#90230u0379 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 18) UPI - Saudi Arabia's foreign minister said Saturday the United Nations may authorize a multinational naval blockade against Iraq to enforce trade sanctions being enforced unilaterally by the United States.

Foreign Minister Saud al Faisal, in a news conference following his return from talks with President Bush in the United States, said all diplomatic solutions to the crisis are doomed because Iraq refuses to withdraw from Kuwait, the tiny emirate it conquered Aug. 2.

''We have no aggressive intentions on Iraq,'' he said. ''We are ardently hoping that military action could be avoided ... (but) I am afraid the issue of peace and war will result from an Iraqi act.''

Saud said the United Nations, in an escalation of its campaign to pressure and isolate Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, is considering giving military muscle to economic and trade sanctions imposed by the U.N. Security Council a week after the invasion.

''They are considering military actions,'' he said. ''It is an issue of international peace and stability and we wholeheartedly support the action.''

Saud also said Saudi Arabia is contributing to ''international cooperation'' but he would not confirm reports Riyadh is helping bankroll the U.S. military commitment, reported to be costing $300 million a day.

Saudi officials clarified that Saud was referring to plans under discussion to turn the U.S interdiction into a venture fully endorsed by the United Nations.

U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar said earlier this week he believed the U.S. decision to board and search Iraqi ships went beyond the bounds of the sanctions resolution and other U.N. officials have privately expressed concern over the U.S. action.

Britain has said it will join in the interdiction.

Saudi officials said Chapter 7 of the U.N. charter requires member nations to take legal actions against an offender nation and to take military action only when all other measures fail.

''You start by being nice,'' one Saudi official said. ''You then take certain measures and you gradually escalate until U.N. forces go to war.''

U.S. warships Friday checked two Iraqi vessels in the Persian Gulf near Kuwait but allowed them to proceed when it was determined they were empty. British helicopters intercepted two freighters near Oman, reports said.

There was no immediate indication of how other nations might respond to the possible U.N. call for a multinational blockade armada. France, West Germany, Spain, Italy, Belgium, Canada, and Australia all have ships in the gulf, as does the Soviet Union, which said it is not part of the multinational force but would join it under U.N. supervision.

Saud said the crisis cannot be resolved until Baghdad withdraws from Kuwait and the Kuwaiti emir is restored to power.

''Any diplomatic contact without this cornerstone is doomed to die,'' he said.

Saudi Arabia has been assured by all nations with ground forces in the kingdom - the United States, Britain, Egypt, Morocco and soon Syria - they would depart when the Saudis asked them to.

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#90230u0380 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (AUG. 18) UPI - Officials announced Saturday that nine people were arrested on charges they spied for Taiwan and conspired to ''instigate new turmoil on the mainland.''

State television quoted Ministry of State Security officials as saying the arrests ''smashed'' four Taiwan spying rings across the country.

Despite a recent warming of Sino-Taiwanese ties, China has been technically at war with Taiwan's ruling Kuomintang, or Nationalist Party, since the Nationalists fled the mainland following the communist takeover in 1949.

The nine men were accused of attempting to ''instigate new turmoil on the mainland'' and have all confessed their crimes, according to the television report. The cases are still under investigation.

Saturday's evening news broadcast featured surveillance footage of the accused spies, as well as photographs of a cache of guns confiscated by authorities.

Mainland authorities arrested several people on spying charges last year, charging they had been sent by Taiwan to stir up the 1989 democracy

protests that were brutally crushed in June of that year.

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#90230u0382 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE USA - SATURDAY

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	80	59	.02
Anchorage r	70	52	.19
Asheville pc	88	66	.01
Atlanta pc	93	73	....
Baltimore pc	87	66	....
Billings pc	80	54	.79
Birmingham sy	100	73	....
Bismarck cy	90	61	.15
Boston hz	89	70	....
Brownsville pc	94	78	....
Buffalo ts	85	66	....
Burlington Vt. ts	86	66	....
Charleston S.C.pc	85	76	1.85
Charlotte pc	86	71	....
Chicago ts	74	70	3.01
Cincinnati hz	82	69	....
Cleveland ts	84	69	....
Columbus Ohio sh	85	70	.02
Dallas pc	96	77	....
Denver pc	86	54	.30
Des Moines pc	91	73	....
Detroit ts	85	71	....
Duluth sh	84	58	1.50
El Paso pc	91	68	....
Evansville sy	90	71	.03
Fargo ts	92	68	.14
Hartford hz	90	70	....
Honolulu sy	90	77	....
Houston pc	96	73	....
Indianapolis pc	82	70	....
Jackson Miss. sy	100	71	....
Jacksonville ts	97	71	.16
Kansas City pc	91	77	....
Louisville sy	88	70	.05
Memphis sy	95	77	....
Miami Beach ts	89	80	....
Milwaukee ts	79	69	2.18
Minneapolis ts	85	69	.20
Nashville sy	96	71	....
New Orleans sy	93	74	....

New York sy	91	72	....
Oklahoma City pc	92	72	....
Omaha pc	92	73	....
Orlando ts	95	74	....
Philadelphia hz	89	69	....
Phoenix sy	100	82	....
Pittsburgh ts	87	65	....
Portland Me. sy	83	65	....
Portland Ore. sh	70	60	.18
Providence hz	85	69	....
Richmond pc	86	66	....
St. Louis pc	94	77	....
Salt Lake City pc	83	61	.02
San Antonio pc	95	78	....
San Diego pc	76	68	....
San Francisco pc	73	60	.01
San Juan pc	89	76	.18
Seattle sh	77	60	.06
Spokane pc	80	57	....
Tampa ts	94	76	....
Washington pc	87	70	....
Wichita sy	94	74	....

c-clear	cl-clearing	cy-cloudy	f-fair
fy-foggy	hz-haze	m-missing	pc-partly cloudy
r-rain	sh-showers	sm-smoke	sn-snow
sy-sunny	ts-thunderstorms	w-windy	

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#90230u0393 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, KENYA (AUG. 18) UPI - Kenyan religious leaders called Saturday for a public investigation of the death of Anglican Bishop Alexander Kipsang Muge, who was killed in a mysterious car crash earlier this week.

Muge, 44, an outspoken critic of the Kenyan government, died Aug. 14 when his car crashed into a milk truck as he was driving from the border town of Busia, 225 miles northwest of Nairobi.

The bishop had recently criticized Cabinet ministers and called for a probe of government corruption. One of the ministers he named, who is from Busia, had threatened to kill him.

Anglican bishops, Presbyterian clerics and the National Council of Churches of Kenya called for the investigation, citing threats on Muge's life just days before he died.

''It defeats human intelligence not to speculate on the circumstances that culminated in death,'' the Kenya Times quoted a National Council of Churches statement as saying.

The bishop's death came in the wake of a series of political detentions in the East African nation and just six months after the unsolved grisly murder of Foreign Minister Robert Ouko.

Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi has been under increasing pressure to install a multi-party democracy in Kenya instead of a single party.

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#90230u0435 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

FORT HOOD, TX (AUG. 18) UPI - Units of the 1st Cavalry Division and the 2nd Armored Division prepared Saturday to join other Army units deploying to the Middle East.

Deputy Public Affairs Officer Eloise Lundgren at Fort Hood could not release any information about the number of soldiers, equipment, dates of departure or specific assignments, but confirmed preparations were under way.

''They will join the multi-national force being assembled there to deter further Iraqi aggression and protect the integrity of Saudi Arabia,'' she said.

Both units have distinguished combat records. The 1st Cav was a major fighting unit in the Korean and Vietnam wars and the tanks of the 2nd Armored wrote military history under Gen. George S. Patton Jr. in World War II.

The 2nd Armored was ordered deactivated by Defense Secretary Dick Cheney before this latest callup and this may be its last assignment. A Texas judge rejected a lawsuit challenging the action, which will hurt the central Texas economy.

The Fort Hood units have trained at the Army's desert training facility in the Mojave near Fort Irwin, Calif., as have units of the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment that are being deployed from Fort Bliss in west Texas.

Unspecified numbers of troops from the 11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade also are being sent from Fort Bliss.

About 4,200 soldiers, 300 of the Army's most modern tanks and other armored vehicles, and Blackhawk and Cobra helicopters are assigned to the regiment, which be was not surprised that the Fort Bliss units had been called.

''They're well trained and they're needed,'' Maloney said. ''And they'll acquit themselves well if they have to fight. But let's all hope they don't have to be used and that peace is maintained.''

A troop train is being loaded at Fort Bliss, apparently headed for the port of Beaumont, Texas, 900 miles away.

The regiment's M1A1 tanks are considered to be the best in the world. It also had an undisclosed number of Bradley Fighting Vehicles, which are smaller tracked assault carriers with a 25 mm guns.

The 11th brigade is reportedly sending personnel trained in the Patriot, Hawk, Chaparral and Stinger missile systems, and Vulcan cannon systems. They are designed to defending against low and medium-flying aircraft.

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#90230u0469 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE WORLD - SATURDAY

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Aug. 18:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	57	14
Amsterdam cy	1pm	57	14
Ankara c	3pm	81	27
Athens c	2pm	90	32
Auckland c	12a	49	10
Beijing pv	8pm	-	-
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	63	17
Bonn r	1pm	59	15
Brussels r	1pm	59	15
Cairo c	2pm	91	33
Casablanca pc	12n	78	26
Copenhagen pc	1pm	65	18
Dakar cy	12n	79	26
Dublin cy	1pm	58	14
Geneva c	1pm	69	21
Helsinki cy	2pm	62	17
Hong Kong pc	8pm	90	32
Jerusalem c	2pm	79	26
Karachi pc	5pm	84	29
Lisbon pc	1pm	81	27
London cy	1pm	61	16
Madrid c	1pm	86	30

Malta c	1pm	85	30
Manila r	8pm	80	27
Moscow c	3pm	73	23
Nairobi cy	3pm	71	22
Nassau c	7am	82	28
New Delhi c	6pm	93	34
Nice c	1pm	80	26
Oslo cy	1pm	64	18
Paris cy	1pm	67	20
Pretoria c	2pm	70	21
Riyadh	3pm	109	43
Rome pc	1pm	82	28
Seoul r	9pm	78	26
Sofia c	2pm	85	29
Stockholm pc	1pm	68	20
Sydney c	10pm	52	11
Taipei r	8pm	81	27
Tokyo c	9pm	77	25
Tunis pc	1pm	89	32
Vienna c	1pm	72	22
Warsaw pc	1pm	67	20
Latin America			
Buenos Aires c	9am	50	10
Caracas pc	8am	68	20
Havana c	7am	77	25
Lima cy	7am	58	15
Mexico City hz	6am	55	13
Rio de Janeiro r	9am	69	20
Santiago fg	8am	42	06
Canada			
Calgary r		64	17
Edmonton cy		63	17
Montreal hz		84	29
Ottawa c		86	29
Regina cy		65	18
Toronto hz		85	29
Vancouver cy		75	23
Winnipeg cy		72	22

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain

s-snow
w-windy

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#90230u0474 08/18/1990 ~United Press International
JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 18) UPI - Saudi Arabia Saturday vowed it will pump an extra 2 million barrels of oil daily if its OPEC partners refuse to increase production to meet global shortages caused by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer said his country could satisfy half of a worldwide shortfall of approximately 4 million barrels daily that has been caused by an embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil.

Nazer said he believed Venezuela and the United Arab Emirates could each produce an extra 500,000 barrels daily, but even increased production would still leave a global shortage of 1 million barrels a day.

The 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, of which Iraq and Kuwait are members, pumps about 40 percent of the oil traded on world markets. The cartel has traditionally avoided involvement in political conflicts, but Nazer said OPEC must meet ''immediately'' to determine strategy in response to the Iraqi invasion.

''Do you want a thirsty market to be even more thirsty by reducing supply and causing economic recession?'' Nazer said during a news conference. ''The first countries that would be hurt (by a recession) would be the OPEC countries.''

Reports have indicated Indonesia, Nigeria, Libya, Iran and Algeria are opposed to OPEC raising cartel production to compensate for the embargoed oil.

Nazer said if the cartel does not meet and agree to increases, Saudi Arabia would proceed to increase its current daily output of 5.38 million barrels. He added his country has had orders totalling 7.9 million barrels a day.

''We did not necessarily say (to the members) that we want to take unilateral action, but if they refuse they leave us no alternative,'' said Nazer. ''We do not shy away from contentious and divisive affairs, but we cannot see how any organization can turn its face the other way and say there is no crisis.''

Nazer said an Iraqi pipeline that has a daily capacity to transport 1.6 million barrels through Saudi territory would remain closed until Iraq withdrew from Kuwait. Saudi Arabia has refused to allow Iraqi-owned

tankers that have arrived at the pipeline's terminal to load with oil.

Nazer indicated Riyadh's strategy was aimed at assisting cash-strapped developing nations that cannot afford oil prices as high as $28 a barrel on international markets.

''We will not let the countries of the third world down the drain,'' he said.

An OPEC meeting in July had concluded with an agreement to set the barrel price at $21 a barrel by December, with the cartel's total output at 22.941 million barrels daily.

Crude oil prices had rocketed to 4 1/2-year highs and wholesale gasoline shot up more than 8 cents a gallon Friday.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for September delivery shot up $1.27 to $28.63 a barrel - the highest Merc closing price since $28.74 on Dec. 6, 1985, and within reach of the Merc's all-time high of $30.15, achieved in January 1984.

On the European cash market, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude shipped mainly to the Far East - soared $1.15 to $24.70 a barrel, up $2.25 on the week.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent finished up $1.10 at $28.50 a barrel.

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#90230u0476 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 18) UPI - A jury focused on the defense cases of two of the three youths accused of raping and attempting to kill a female jogger in Central Park as it headed into its 10th day of deliberations.

The panel, which resumed its deliberations just before 11 a.m. Saturday morning, listened Friday to a readback of testimony from two police officers that supported a defense theory offered by Raymond Santana's lawyer, Peter Rivera.

In his summation, Rivera noted that several police officers responded to calls about a ring of fire burning just 100 feet from where the 30-year-old investment banker was attacked.

Prosecutors say the jogger was bashed in the head, gang-raped, beaten again and left for dead about 9:30 p.m. on April 19, 1989.

Police officer Mark Carlson testified he arrived at the fire at about 9:40

p.m. and found two other officers there, while officer Ivelisse Flores estimated she arrived at the fire about 9:25 p.m. or 9:30 p.m.

Rivera argued that with police officers in the area, it was unlikely the youths would have risked attacking the woman. He also argued the police officers would have heard her screams.

Instead, Rivera argued, the rape must have occurred later in the evening - after the youths left the park and were under arrest - and therefore was committed by someone else.

On Friday, the ninth day of deliberations, the jury also watched defendant Antron McCray's videotaped confession for the fifth time.

Earlier in the day, they re-heard the testimony of his mother, Linda McCray, who claimed her son lied when he confessed last year to the rape and beating so he could go home with his parents.

As the video camera began recording at the police precinct, Linda McCray testified, her teenage son gave a graphic account of the beating and gang-rape of the woman jogger in Central Park.

McCray, 16, Santana, 15, and Yusef Salaam, 16, are on trial on 13 criminal counts of being part of a gang of up to 30 youths who went on a ''wilding'' rampage, randomly beating and robbing people. The trial began June 25.

On the video, McCray admitted kicking the jogger, hitting her with a metal pipe, holding her down while others raped her and then climbing on top of her and feigning intercourse.

''Were you shocked?'' asked Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer during her cross-examination at the trial in state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

''I know, I know myself he wouldn't do anything ... . I know it was a lie '' the mother replied in a choked voice.

''My husband said that the police told him if Antron tell them what they want to know and put himself in it, he go home. If he don't, he go to jail '' she added.

''Did you honestly believe that if Antron said, 'I held her down while four others raped her, I raped her, I beat her with a pipe,' did you honestly believe he would go home?'' Lederer asked incredulously.

''I believed what my husband said, that the police said he could go home '' the mother replied.

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#90230u0477 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 18) UPI - The city's deepening debt woes have raised the specter of a descent into a severe fiscal crisis of the sort that afflicted New York in the 1970s.

Despite acknowledged differences between Philaldephia's plight and New York's in 1975, economists and business leaders are urging Philadelphia Mayor Wilson Goode to form a New York-style team of experts to restore the city's fiscal health.

''Maybe the best thing is to get a financial advisory board and an outside management team,'' says Jeremy Siegel, professor of finance at the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Business.

''The truth of the matter is ... (Goode) has not made the management savings that are needed,'' Siegel said. ''What we need is a good business manager for Philadelphia.''

Siegel's view echoes a recent call by the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce for a bipartisan panel to deal with the city's fiscal problems.

Philadelphia, though it is thought to be in less dire shape than New York 15 years ago, says it needs to raise $450 million immediately by selling short-term notes to cover city expenses.

A published report Saturday said the city will tell potential investors it will run out of cash in September unless it can sell the notes.

The Philadelphia Inquirer said a preliminary statement intended to help persuade investors to buy the notes indicates that Goode will propose fiscal reform measures including a $150 million emergency tax increase and the sale of some city assets, including Veterans Stadium.

''The severity of the city's budgetary and cash situation in (this) fiscal year requires extraordinary action,'' the statement says.

The credit-rating agency Standard & Poor's has already alerted investors it is considering a further lowering of Philadelphia's dismal bond rating.

Two months before New York went broke, S&P suspended the ''A'' rating on New York City bonds, a higher rating than Philadelphia's current triple B-minus.

In June 1975, facing $792 million in debt, New York Mayor Abraham Beame agreed to the creation of the Municipal Assistance Corp., which three

months later was augmented by the Emergency Financial Control Corp.

It took four years and a lot of acrimony between unions and the city, but the polish was finally restored to the Big Apple.

As was the case with New York, a national economic slowdown, generous settlements with labor unions and city spending that outpaced revenues have all contributed to Philadelphia's fiscal problems, Siegel says.

But Siegel cautions that such comparisons obscure a major, and perhaps crucial, distinction in Philadelphia's plight.

Despite President Gerald Ford's initial reluctance to help New York, the federal government eventually doled out $23 million to the city, much more than Washington and Harrisburg combined seem willing hand over to Philadelphia.

''The city is grappling with greater (crime, drug and other urban) problems without federal or state help, and the state is not in the mood to help them if they think the city is not run right,'' Siegel says.

Taking the heat for running the city into debt are Goode and, to a lesser extent, the City Council. Both have been criticized for allowing political stalemate and indecision to rule fiscal policy.

Goode is barred by the City Charter from running for a third term in 1991. Some potential successors already have surfaced and that has polarized the council.

For the politicians, the potential bottom line on calling in outside management - which might be seen as an admission of failure - is clear: Beame lost to Ed Koch when he ran for re-election in 1977.

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#90230u0480 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 18) UPI - Describing President Bush as ''deeply concerned,'' the White House Saturday condemned Iraq's threat to relocate and to withhold food from Americans trapped in that country until the threat of war is over.

''The use of innocent civilians as pawns to promote what Iraq sees as its self-interest is contrary to international law,'' press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said in a statement.

''We urge that Iraq immediately reconsider its refusal to allow any foreign national desiring to leave, to do so without delay or condition,'' he said.

Fitzwater also termed as ''totally unacceptable'' Iraq's announcement late Friday that it would hold Americans and other foreign nationals until the threat of war is over.

The press secretary issued the brief statement shortly after Iraq announced it would also limit food to these nationals, including babies, until a de facto blockade is lifted.

Fitzwater said Bush was ''deeply concerned'' about the latest developments in the Middle East crisis that began Aug. 2 when Iraq invaded the oil-rich emerate of Kuwait, prompting U.S. military intervention in the region.

A spokesman for the Iraq Labor Ministry appealed in a televised broadcast for the families of the foreigners to protest the U.S. decision to enforce economic sanctions against Iraq, imposed by the United Nations following Iraq invasion of Kuwait.

''We decided to treat the foreign newborn babies similarly with the Iraqi babies if there were to be any reduction in the necessities ... because of the economic embargo,'' the spokesman said.

The ''blockade, including food and medicine ... is considered an act of war,'' the Iraqi spokesman said.

In Saturday's initial announcement, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said through a spokesman that Iraq would ''host'' thousands of foreign nationals at key military and economic installations in Iraq and Kuwait, presumably to discourage action by Western forces gathered in the Persian Gulf.

Meanwhile, Bush was expected to act soon on a Pentagon recommendation to activate tens of thousands of U.S. military reserves.

There are believed to be 45,000 U.S. ground troops in Saudi Arabia, and officials said that force could grow to as many as 100,000 American soldiers.

If reserve forces are activated to back up U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, it will mark the first full-scale test of the post-Vietnam War restructuring of the American military.

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#90230u0481 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 18) UPI - The Miami Hurricanes, the dominant college football team of the 1980s with three national titles, Saturday were named No. 1 by the United Press International Board of Coaches in the first poll

of the 1990 season.

As they did in the final poll last year, the Hurricanes beat out Notre Dame and Florida State for the No. 1 position in voting done by 58 members of the Board of Coaches.

For the first time, the ratings reflect the nation's top 25 teams, up from the 20-team poll UPI has used since the inception of its ratings in 1950. In addition, the Board of Coaches has been expanded from 50 members to 59 in 1990.

Miami received 25 first-place votes and 799 of a possible 870 points, easily outdistancing No. 2 Notre Dame, which received 15 first-place votes and 755 points. No. 3 Florida State was named first on eight ballots and finished with 686 points.

''It's nice to have respect from people. That's what preseason ratings mean to me - preseason respect,'' said Miami Coach Dennis Erickson, who took the Hurricanes to the 1989 national championship in his first year as coach. ''Early ratings don't mean a whole heck of a lot. The ratings at the end of the year are the most important.''

Miami finished 11-1 last year, its only loss coming against rival Florida State. But the Hurricanes toppled previously unbeaten Notre Dame 27-10 in the regular-season finale and beat Alabama 33-25 in the Sugar Bowl to become the first team since the 1983 Miami squad to win the national title without going undefeated.

The Hurricanes are seeking to become the first team in 20 years to repeat as national champions. The last team to win back-to-back UPI national titles was Texas in 1969 and 1970.

''It's very difficult to repeat as national champions. It's difficult to be the national champion once,'' Erickson said. ''You've got to have a lot of luck. Last year we were very fortunate in winning some key games and having some people beat each other. To have that happen twice in a row, you've got to be really lucky.''

The Hurricanes also will try to become only the second team in the last 13 years to win the national championship after being named No. 1 prior to the season. Notre Dame accomplished the feat in 1977, and Oklahoma matched it in 1985.

Notre Dame finished 12-1 last year, the best record in the country, after beating previously undefeated Colorado 21-6 in the Orange Bowl. The Fighting Irish traditionally play the toughest schedule in the nation, but that was wiped out in the minds of voters last year by the loss to Miami.

''People like to pick us No. 1 because we have the best record against the toughest schedule. We had that last year and we weren't No. 1,'' said Notre Dame Coach Lou Holtz, whose team finished third in the final 1989 poll.

No. 3 Florida State lost any chance at the national championship last year when it lost its first two games, but won 10 in a row from that point to finish second.

Auburn was ranked fourth in the 1990 preseason, having been named first on eight ballots and finishing with 666 points. No. 5 Colorado, last year's regular-season No. 1 which missed its first national title by losing in the Orange Bowl, received the final two first-place votes and totaled 565 points.

Sixth was Southern Cal, three-time defending Pacific 10 Conference champions, followed by Big Ten titlist Michigan, in its first season without Bo Schembechler as coach since 1970. Longtime Schembechler assistant Gary Moeller now leads the Wolverines.

Nebraska was ranked eighth, followed by No. 9 Tennessee and No. 10 Clemson also with a new coach, as former Arkansas mentor Ken Hatfield replaced the ousted Danny Ford.

No. 11 Texas A&M made the biggest jump into the ratings, having dropped out in the final 1989 poll after a loss to Pittsburgh in the Hancock Bowl. Illinois was No. 12, followed by Big Ten rival Ohio State, another newcomer from last year.

No. 14 Brigham Young was followed by No. 15 Arkansas under new Coach Jack Crowe and No. 16 Washington. No. 17 Alabama, under new Coach Gene Stallings, took the biggest fall from last year's final poll, dropping 10 places from seventh. Penn State was 18th.

No. 19 UCLA is one of only two teams in the ratings that finished with a losing record last season. The Bruins went 3-7-1 for only their second losing season in 14 years under Coach Terry Donahue.

Pittsburgh was No. 20, followed by defending Atlantic Coast Conference champion Virginia, Michigan State and Arizona. Syracuse and Texas tied at No. 24, with the Longhorns the other ranked team coming off a losing record.

The national champion will receive the UPI Coaches Trophy and a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International. Schools ineligible for consideration in the ratings because of NCAA sanctions are Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 18) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with 1989 record and first-place votes in paren- theses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and final 1989 ranking.

1. Miami (25) (11-1)	799	1
2. Notre Dame (15) (12-1)	755	3
3. Florida State (8) (10-2)	686	2
4. Auburn (8) (10-2)	666	6
5. Colorado (2) (11-1)	565	4
6. Southern Cal (9-2-1)	488	9
7. Michigan (10-2)	463	8
8. Nebraska (10-2)	454	12
9. Tennessee (11-1)	398	5
10. Clemson (10-2)	253	11
11. Texas A&M (8-4)	229	z
12. Illinois (10-2)	207	10
13. Ohio State (8-4)	175	z
14. Brigham Young (10-3)	128	18
15. Arkansas (10-2)	113	13
16. Washington (8-4)	96	20
17. Alabama (10-2)	95	7
18. Penn State (8-3-1)	80	14
19. UCLA (3-7-1)	66	z
20. Pittsburgh (8-3-1)	50	19
21. Virginia (10-3)	47	15
22. Michigan State (8-4)	24	16
23. Arizona (7-5)	23	z
24. (tie) Syracuse (8-4)	15	z
24. (tie) Texas (5-6)	15	z

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Others receiving votes: Arizona State, Florida, Fresno State, Georgia, Hawaii, North Carolina State, Northern Illinois, Oregon, South Carolina, West Virginia.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances and postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches. Those schools are Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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#90230u0528 08/18/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 18) UPI - Iraq says three-thousand U-S citizens trapped in Iraq and occupied Kuwait will remain until the threat of U-S ''aggression has passed.'' The statement yesterday by the speaker of Iraq's parliament comes as Defense Secretary Cheney heads for Saudi Arabia to view the U-S troop buildup. Cheney says American troops will remain as long as needed. They were sent to block further Iraqi aggression following Baghdad's August 2nd invasion of Kuwait.

Falling temperatures and rising humidity are a boon for firefighters battling wildfires in the West. Fire bosses say most of the bigger blazes in California, Oregon, Idaho and Washington are nearly surrounded, with full control expected within days. The fires have been burning for nearly two weeks, and forced closure of California's Yosemite National Park last week. The park re-opened yesterday.

Black factional violence in South Africa has now claimed 190 lives in five days, prompting Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu to cut short his Canada trip. Tutu says he'll return to South Africa to help halt the clashes in black townships near Johannesburg. At least 24 people were killed yesterday in Soweto, including a 13-year-old boy witnesses say was shot by a white policeman.

Salvadoran rebels and government negotiators are meeting in neighboring Costa Rica in an effort to reach a cease-fire agreement by next month. At the opening of the fourth round of talks yesterday, the rebels called for the disarming and complete purging of El Salvador's military. A government spokesman says the government will discuss restructuring the army, but NOT its elimination.

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#90230u0554 08/18/1990 ~United Press International
KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 18) UPI - A concert-goer leaving a performance by the rap group Public Enemy was fatally shot in a parking lot at Kemper Arena, police said Saturday.

Leo Whitebear, 19, was declared dead at the scene from what appeared to be a gunshot wound from a handgun, said Sgt. Keith Francis of the Kansas City Police Department-homicide division.

Francis said Whitebear may have been a bystander when a dispute between two groups of people erupted into gunfire just before midnight Friday.

''He was just walking along. He may have been an innocent victim,''

Francis said. ''Two groups got into an altercation, shots were fired from one group to another group, and he was struck by a bullet.''

An autopsy was scheduled Saturday. Police had no suspects.

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#90230u0555 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - Spokesmen for two Indian tribes in northwest Ontario say they will NOT remove their blockades until Indian Affairs Minister Tom Siddon or his deputy meet with them. The blockades closed cross-Canadian rail traffic for a second day yesterday. The Indians want their one-square-mile reserve expanded, and want housing conditions improved. In Quebec, Mohawks continued talks to end their own standoff with police.

Nicaragua's President Violeta Chamorro asked the National Assembly to pardon the killers of her husband. In a letter to the Assembly president, Chamorro said she wants to ''forgive and forget,'' and asked that the killers be pardoned in a ''spirit of reconciliation.'' Parts of the letter were reprinted in the Sandinista newspaper, Barricada. The 1978 assassination of Pedro Joaquin Chamorro helped fuel the Sandinista revolution.

Soviet President Gorbachev is calling for quick privatization of property to help resolve his country's economic crisis. In a speech yesterday near the Black Sea port of Odessa, Gorbachev said ''the pervasive monopoly and domination of state property'' is the main cause of the economic crisis. The speech is his strongest statement yet in favor of ending state control of property.

Police in North Babylon, New York, say three robbers used a delivery of roses as a ruse to push their way into a Long Island home and steal seven-thousand dollars. Authorities say the intruders also stole jewelry and furs. They tied up three members of the family before ransacking the Suffolk County home. Two of the family members were UNhurt, but the third needed medical attention.

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#90230u0565 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 18) UPI - Saudi Arabian intelligence sources said Saturday that the main body of Iraqi troops deployed in occupied Kuwait is camped 25 to 45 miles away from the Saudi-Iraqi border.

''There are small Iraqi units on the Saudi-Iraqi frontier, but these numbers are very small. ... They go to the border and then return,'' one Saudi military intelligence official said.

''They are not permanently deployed along the desert border. Other than Iraqi border posts, the main body of the Iraqi force is 40 to 70 kilometers (25 to 45 miles) back.''

The Saudi official said all indications were that ''the main Iraqi force of some 170,000 men and 1,000 pieces of armor (tanks) are digging in.''

But he pointed out that those forces could rapidly turn into an offensive force in what he described as perfect tank country.

''The potential for mobilizing those forces and turning them into an offensive force at short notice is very great,'' he said.

''It is quite normal for Iraqi troops to dig in before an attack,'' he added. ''This area is perfect for tanks.''

The Saudi intelligence official said popular feelings in Iraq after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's capitulation to Iran have dimmed.

''Popular feelings when Kuwait was incorporated have dimmed since (Saddam) caved in to Iran,'' he said.

The Saudi official said Saddam may have a tremendous force at his command to mount an operation against Saudi Arabia, but he would find it difficult to sustain the operation.

Saddam ''may have a tremendous force at his command. ... He may be able to mount an operation into Saudi Arabia. But how long he can sustain it is another question,'' the official said.

''The drain and the distances involved are potentially an important factor '' he added.

He said there was evidence to show Saddam had moved at least five to six divisions westward back into Iraq from the Shatt-al-Arab waterway in the northern gulf. But there was no evidence these troops had been redeployed in Kuwait. Each Iraqi division contains between 18 and 20,000 men.

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#90230u0571 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 18) UPI - Describing President Bush as ''deeply concerned,'' the White House Saturday condemned Iraq's threat to relocate and to withhold adequate food from Americans and other foreign nationals trapped in that country until the threat of war is over.

''The use of innocent civilians as pawns to promote what Iraq sees as its self-interest is contrary to international law,'' press secretary Marlin

Fitzwater said in a statement.

''We urge that Iraq immediately reconsider its refusal to allow any foreign national desiring to leave, to do so without delay or condition,'' he said.

Fitzwater also termed as ''totally unacceptable'' Iraq's announcement late Friday that it would hold Americans and other foreign nationals until the threat of war is over.

The press secretary issued the brief statement shortly after Iraq announced it would also limit food to these nationals, including babies, until a week-old de facto blockade initiated by the United States is lifted.

The carefully worded one-page statement was the administration's first comment on Iraq's threat late Friday to hold all foreign nationals until the Persian Gulf crisis ends.

In the statement, the administration still refused to describe these captives as ''hostages,'' referring to them instead as ''American citizens '' ''individuals'' or ''foreign nationals.''

Fitzwater said Bush views the statement Friday by the speaker of Iraq's national assembly that Baghdad '''will play host to citizens of these aggressive (foreign) nations until as long as Iraq remains threatened''' to be ''totally unacceptable.''

Fitzwater said, ''The president is deeply troubled by the indication that Iraqi authorities intend to relocate these individuals within Iraq against their will.''

''The president is also deeply concerned about today's announcement by the government of Iraq that foreign nationals may not have access to adequate quantities of food,'' he said.

A spokesman for the Iraq Labor Ministry appealed in a televised broadcast for the families of the foreigners to protest the U.S. decision to enforce economic sanctions against Iraq, imposed by the United Nations following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''We decided to treat the foreign newborn babies similarly with the Iraqi babies if there were to be any reduction in the necessities ... because of the economic embargo,'' the spokesman said.

The ''blockade, including food and medicine ... is considered an act of war,'' the Iraqi spokesman said.

In Saturday's initial announcement, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said through a spokesman that Iraq would ''host'' thousands of foreign nationals at key military and economic installations in Iraq and Kuwait, presumably to discourage action by Western forces gathered in the Persian Gulf.

Meanwhile, Bush was expected to act soon on a Pentagon recommendation to activate tens of thousands of U.S. military reserves.

There are believed to be 45,000 U.S. ground troops in Saudi Arabia, and officials said that force could grow to as many as 100,000 American soldiers.

If reserve forces are activated to back up U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, it will mark the first full-scale test of the post-Vietnam War restructuring of the American military.

Bush, on a three-week working vacation in Maine, discussed the latest Iraqi threat, and the administration's response to it, during a phone call with aides while aboard his speedboat, Fitzwater said.

The White House announced that a scheduled return by Bush to Washington Sunday had been moved up by a few hours so he can have dinner with national security advisers at the White House.

On Monday, Bush is to meet with Energy Secretary James Watkins and budget advisers to discuss the impact of the crisis in the oil-rich gulf on the United States' energy supply and spending plans.

The Pentagon estimates that the massive buildup of U.S. troops in the Middle East will cost $1.3 billion during the first six weeks, more if fighting breaks out.

Fitzwater, in his statement, expressed hope that Iraq would pay heed to a U.N. statement Friday ''expressing concern and anxiety'' over the fate of foreign nationals in Iraq and Kuwait, and ''calling upon the secretary general to take all appropriate steps.''

Fitzwater said the United States intends to consult with the governments of other citizens being held Iraq and Kuwait ''to determine what additional measures ought to be taken.''

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#90230u0609 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - The stakes are rising in the Middle East in the wake of Iraq's August 2nd invasion of Kuwait. The Washington Post reports the United States may call up as many as 80-thousand Army reserves, the first

such move in 20 years.

From all indications, U-S forces will be in the Middle East for some time. Defense Secretary Cheney told reporters yesterday on his way to Saudi Arabia that the U-S commitment to the region is- in his words- ''long term.''

Iraq says it will... quoting here... ''play host'' to three-thousand Americans in Baghdad and occupied Kuwait until the ''aggression has passed.'' It says they would be held in facilities throughout Iraq, including some military.

Crude oil prices rocketed to four-and-a-half-year highs on world markets yesterday... as wholesale gasoline shot up more than eight cents a gallon. Traders fear that hostilities might break out the Middle East soon.

Falling temperatures and higher humidity came to the aid of firefighters in several western states. Officials say most of the fires in California, Oregon, Idaho and Washington are surrounded, with full control expected within days.

The death toll is rising in South Africa from black-on-black fighting near Johannesburg. At least 24 people killed yesterday, bringing the number of dead in five days to 190. The African National Congress is battling a Zulu faction.

Entertainer Pearl Bailey died suddenly yesterday in her room at a Holiday Inn in Philadelphia. She was 72. Bailey had a history of heart trouble. Officials say autopsy results would NOT be known for several days.

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#90230u0632 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 18) UPI - President Bush, irritated by unflattering pictures and soundbites of him vacationing in Maine as tensions escalate in the Persian Gulf, became somewhat teed off Saturday at the Golf Arundel Golf Club.

Asked by reporters if he had been in touch with the White House situation room yet, Bush snapped, ''I talk to them every morning at 5:30 and, I'm not going to take any more comments up here, though. Let's go.''

With that, the president ignored a question about the fate of Americans in Iraq and Kuwait, turned around with a huff and hooked his drive on the first hole into the rough.

Bush's self-proclaimed 25-day working vacation, now in week two, has had a number of rough spots. Take a strange scene Friday that was repeatedly

played on television:

Bush, seated in his golf cart, told reporters of a possible roundup of Americans in Iraq, and condemned such action as a ''controvention of international law.''

He then sped off toward the first green, saying, ''I got to run!''

Later in the day, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater snapped, ''No,'' when asked at his daily press briefing if the administration detected any concern by the public about the contrasting pictures of Bush at play and American troops diggin in.

But Saturday Bush seemed concerned himself, even defensive.

''I'm never mad at you,'' Bush told reporters after finishing his morning round of golf. ''I just don't like taking questions on serious matters on my vacation.''

''I think we are readily available to the press, probably more so than most, and I'll try to continue that,'' said Bush, who has had two formal and two informal news conferences in the past week.

''But it just doesn't seem appropriate'' to answer questions on the golf course, he said.

''So I hope you'll understand ... when I'm recreating, we'll recreate,'' he said. ''And when we're working, which I'm trying to do up here, I'll work hard.''

Bush began his ''working vacation'' Aug. 10, saying ''life goes on'' and that he doesn't want to be held ''hostage in the White House'' by his showdown with Iraq's Saddam Hussein.

Since then, between nearly daily boating and golfing and some jogging, tennis and fishing, Bush has monitored events in the gulf from his seaside home with briefings with top aides and frequent telephone calls to world leaders.

He's even taken and made some calls with a cellular phone from his golf cart and speedboat, Fidelity, and last week made a 21-hour trip to Washington for a Pentagon briefing and a White House budget meeting and news conference.

Last Sunday, he ordered a de facto blockade of Iraq, and on Wednesday he met at his summer home with Jordan's King Hussein and two top Saudi officials - and then went to a GOP fundraiser.

Late night TV comic Jay Leno offered his own assessment: ''President Bush announced America 'would stand by its friends,' and then went on a three-week vacation. Saddam Hussein retalitated by announcing he would go on a four-week vacation. Boy, things are getting rough.''

Bush has provided plenty of material for comics and reporters and TV cameras.

After one rain-drenched golf round, he was asked if he was aware aware of any shooting in the Middle East.

''You tell me,'' Bush told reporters. ''I've been playing golf out here.''

On Saturday, the president's oldest son, George W. Bush, tried to shield his father from reporters' questions.

''Hey, hey,'' George W. Bush chided reporters. ''Can't you wait until we finish hitting at least? My game is really bad, so when you are talking my backswing is even worse.''

The comment drew a cringe and a glare from the president.

Later Saturday, while Bush was at sea aboard his speedboat, Fidelity, he helped craft a brief administration response condemning a new threat by Iraq, made just hours earlier, to relocate and to withhold adequate food from Americans.

Fitzawater also announced that Bush's scheduled return to Washington Sunday had been moved up a few hours so he could have dinner at the White House with national security advisers.

Aides said he still planned to return to Kennebunkport and resume his vacation late Monday, following a couple of morning White House meetings, a speech to the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Baltimore and an address to a political fundraiser in Rhode Island.

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#90230u0648 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

TUNIS, TUNISIA (AUG. 18) UPI - A group of Tunisians who managed to flee occupied Kuwait described serious food shortages and continuing resistance to Iraqi troops in the tiny Gulf nation, a newspaper report said Saturday.

The group of 156 Tunisians left Kuwait on a Tunis Air flight through Amman Jordan, and Damascus, Syria, arriving Friday in the Tunisian capital.

Members of the group described long lines for bread and other necessities, and said they continued to hear gunshots fired in the night, apparently by

Kuwaiti resistance members, according to the newspaper ''Le Temps.''

Meanwhile, Kuwaiti Crown Prince Al Salem al Sabeh arrived in Tunis Saturday for an unspecified period for talks with government officials.

The prince was expected to meet with President Zine el Abedine Ben Ali, who initially condemned the Iraqi invasion but later appeared to side with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein against the intervention of Western military forces. Tunisia boycotted the Arab summit that voted to condemn the Iraqi invasion.

An estimated 2,000 Tunisians, mostly workers, were in Kuwait when it was overrun Aug. 2 by Iraqi troops.

Some of those who arrived in Tunis said there was ''practically nothing left'' in stores, which were emptied in the first few days after the invasion, the newspaper said.

''The militia forced us to give them bread which we obtained at great difficulty,'' one Tunisian said. ''They confiscated all our electrical appliances and video cassettes.''

The Tunisians said they did not feel threatened by the troops, adding that all Arab nationals appeared to be well treated except Egyptians, ''who are considered as undesirables,'' according to one witness.

The Iraqis appeared to show disdain for all Westerners, a Tunisian said, ''but the Americans and the British are the most hated.''

The Tunisian governmen said it would not immediately seek to repatriate all Tunisians in Iraq and Kuwait but would help those who wanted to leave. In addition to special flights by the Tunisian airline, some were being evacuated by bus into Jordan, the government said.

Although Tunisia has long been considered one of the more moderate Arab nations, public opinion, reflected by several newspapers, appears to favor Iraq. Some journals have virulently denounced the ''rich emirates'' while voicing support for Saddam Hussein.

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#90230u0663 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 18) UPI - Here is the text of a statement Saturday by White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater on the the Middle East crisis:

On several occasions since the Iraqi invasion and subsequent occupation of Kuwait, the president has stated publicly his interest in the well-being

of American citizens and all foreign nationals in both Iraq and Kuwait.

The president thus views yesterday's statement by the speaker of Iraq's National Assembly, that Iraq will ''play host to the citizens of these aggressive nations as long as Iraq remains threatened with an aggressive war,'' to be totally unacceptable.

He is deeply troubled by the indication that Iraqi authorities intend to relocate these individuals within Iraq against their will. The president is also deeply concerned about today's announcement by the government of Iraq that foreign nationals may not have access to adequate quantities of food.

The use of innocent civilians as pawns to promote what Iraq sees to be its self-interest is contrary to international law and indeed to all accepted norms of international conduct.

We urge that Iraq immediately reconsider its refusal to allow any foreign national desiring to leave, to do so without delay or condition. We would also hope that Iraq would take note of yesterday's statement by the U.N. Security Council president expressing the Council's concern and anxiety over the situation of foreign nationals in Iraq and Kuwait, and calling upon the Secretary General to take all appropriate steps.

The United States intends to consult with other governments, with citizens being held in Iraq and Kuwait, to determine what additional measures ought to be taken.

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#90230u0664 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest events in the Persian Gulf crisis sparked by the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

Iraq calls the U.S. naval quarantine in the Persian Gulf an ''act of war'' and warns that foreign babies detained in the besieged country will suffer along with Iraqi infants if there are shortages of food and medicine. Iraq, upping the stakes in the Persian Gulf crisis, earlier declared it would keep citizens of ''aggressive nations'' at military and other key installations in Iraq and Kuwait as long as the country is threatened with war.

The White House condemns Iraq's threat to relocate and to withhold food from Americans trapped in that country until the threat of war is over. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater termed as ''totally unacceptable'' Iraq's announcement that it would hold Americans and other foreign nationals until the crisis ends.

Saudi Arabia vows to pump an extra 2 million barrels of oil daily if its OPEC partners refuse to increase production to meet global shortages. Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer says his country could satisfy half of a worldwide shortfall of 4 million barrels daily caused by an embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil.

Saudi Arabia's foreign minister says the United Nations may authorize a multinational naval blockade against Iraq to enforce trade sanctions being enforced unilaterally by the United States. Foreign Minister Saud al Faisal says all diplomatic solutions are doomed because Iraq refuses to withdraw from Kuwait.

Saudi Arabian intelligence sources report the main force of Iraqi troops deployed in occupied Kuwait is camped 25 to 45 miles from the Saudi-Iraqi border. Officials say the force of 170,000 men and 1,000 pieces of armor is ''digging in.''

President Bush snaps at reporters questioning the timing of his vacation during the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush, preparing to tee off for a morning round of golf, was asked if he had been in touch with the White House situation room yet. Bush shot back: ''I talk to them every morning at 5:30 and, I'm not going to take any more comments up here, though. Let's go.''

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#90230u0668 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - The United States is preparing to dig in for a lengthy stay in the Persian Gulf. Defense Secretary Cheney says U-S troops sent to Saudi Arabia to counter further Iraqi aggression will remain as long as needed. Washington has also put commercial airlines on alert to help transport military equipment to Saudi Arabia.

President Bush is expected to call up military reserves to take over stateside duties of regular troops sent to the Middle East. A Bush administration source says the president is ''leaning'' toward a call-up, a move that could be announced today. It would be the first such mass activation in 20 years.

16 Shiite prisoners jailed in Kuwait for trying to bomb Western embassies reportedly were freed when Iraq invaded Kuwait, and are hiding in Kuwait City. A Lebanese Shiite group earlier offered to free Americans being held in Lebanon... in exchange for the release of the 16 Shiite Moslems.

The South African military says army units will be deployed in Soweto township to help contain violence between supporters of the Zulu movement, Inkatha, and backers of the African National Congress. Police called for army support following six days of factional fighting that left 207 people

dead and more than 200 wounded.

The jury in New York City's Central Park jogger rape trial yesterday focused on a defense theory that says the April 1989 rape of a female jogger took place after the three defendants had left the park. The jury resumes deliberations this morning for an 11th day. Three teen-agers are on trial in the so-called ''wilding'' assault.

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#90230u0671 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 18) UPI - An inmate beaten in a bloody riot this week at the Rikers Island jail died Saturday, the first casualty of the uprising that left 162 prisoners and guards injured following a strike by corrections department officers, authorities said.

Steven Glover died at Harlem Hospital at 6:51 a.m., said Ed Titus, an administrator at the facility. Neither Glover's age nor details of his detainment were immediately available.

Some 65 percent of the nearly 14,000 inmates at Rikers are awaiting trial, according to corrections department officials.

On Friday, Mayor David Dinkins stood by his administration's handling of the uprising Tuesday night but suggested remarks by the president of the guards' union may have led to the bloody riot.

''He doesn't seem to care sufficiently for his people or our city given the fashion in which he has behaved ... and the careless accusations he places at the feet of others,'' the mayor said of union President Phil Seelig.

In question was Seelig's interpretation of an agreement worked out with the city Tuesday night regarding the use of force on inmates, an agreement that effectively settled a two-day blockade of the jail by guards.

Seelig told his members the union won a victory and that a directive that outlined how much force an officer can use on an unruly inmate had been superceded.

However, the order was only revised and even that is under review by U.S. Judge Morris Lasker.

Minutes after Seelig's announcement, a riot broke out that injured 162 prisoners and guards, the worst confrontation at the city jail since 1986.

An investigation is focusing on charges that guards took revenge on the inmates by systematically lining them up and beating them.

Seelig, in turn, had accused the Dinkins administration of blunders that contributed to the volatile situation at Rikers. He did not respond to Dinkins' criticism Friday.

Dinkins backed his own administration's handling of the blockade by guards saying the situation was settled in 36 hours.

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#90230u0678 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - The following is a chronology of key events in the Persian Gulf crisis:

Thursday, Aug. 2 - In a blitzkreig-style raid, a massive Iraqi invasion force crosses into Kuwait, expelling the government and taking control of the oil-rich state. President Bush and other world leaders condemn the attack. Bush freezes billions of dollars of Iraqi and Kuwaiti assets and says the United States will place an economic embargo on Iraq.

Friday, Aug. 3 - Iraq begins to mass forces on the nation's southern border with Saudi Arabia, the world's leading oil supplier. U.S. and Soviet officials call for the immediate Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Sunday, Aug. 5 - New intelligence information shows Iraqi movements near the Saudi border. Bush calls on the United Nations to impose harsh economic sanctions on Iraq. He sends Defense Secretary Richard Cheney to Saudi Arabia to discuss placing U.S. troops there in defensive positions.

Monday, Aug. 6 - The U.N. Security Council votes overwhelmingly to impose a worldwide embargo on trade with Iraq and Kuwait.

Tuesday, Aug. 7 - The Saudi government tells Cheney it will allow U.S. troops in the country and Bush immediately begins sending air and ground forces to join Navy ships already in the region.

Friday, Aug. 10 - Arab leaders meeting in Cairo call for the creation of a pan-Arab peacekeeping force to be deployed on the Saudi-Kuwaiti border. Saddam calls on ''Arabs, Moslems and believers in God'' to wage ''holy war'' against Western intruders.

Sunday, Aug. 12 - The United States says it will use force to block all sea trade with Iraq, including food shipments. Secretary of State Baker says a blockade responds to Kuwaiti requests for enforcement of the U.N.-ordered embargo.

Saddam vows Iraq will not withdraw from Kuwait until Israel leaves occupied territories and Syria pulls out of Lebanon.

An Air Force technician is killed in a runway accident in Saudi Arabia, marking first American death since U.S. forces arrived.

Monday, Aug. 13 - The embargo tightens as an Iraqi tanker sails away from the Saudi Red Sea port of Yanbu without taking on oil after tugs refuse to guide it into harbor.

Great Britain and Australia agree to join the U.S. blockade, but France balks, fearing it would become a ''co-belligerent.'' U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar and Security Council members including Soviet Union criticize unilateral U.S. action.

Pakistan agrees to join the military force in Saudi Arabia.

Tuesday, Aug. 14 - An Iraqi official calls Americans in Iraq and Kuwait ''restrictees'' who will not be allowed to leave until crisis ends.

Bush threatens a U.S. blockade of the key Jordanian Red Sea port of Aqaba unless shipments to Iraq are halted. Bush also offers aid to Jordan if its honors Iraqi embargo. King Hussein of Jordan flies to United States for a meeting with Bush.

Wednesday, Aug. 15 - Saddam unexpectedly agrees to meet nearly all Iranian terms for a formal end to the war with that country, offering to withdraw from Iranian territory and exchange prisoners. Iranian officials welcome offer and call it their ''biggest victory'' since 1979 revolution. The Iraqi move was seen as a bid to free up troops and possibly gain Iranian aid in evading embargo.

Bush, in a speech at the Pentagon, sharpens rhetoric, accusing Saddam of lying.

Thursday, Aug. 16 - Iraqi authorities order 2,500 Americans and 4,000 Britons in Kuwait to assemble at two hotels, raising fears they will be moved to Iraq.

Bush meets with King Hussein in Kennebunkport, Maine, and makes little progress on easing crisis. Hussein says he will honor embargo but questions whether it applies to food.

U.S. naval forces are ordered to intercept commercial shipping to and from Iraq or Kuwait.

Despite Saddam's offer to Iran, that nation repeats its opposition to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Saddam calls Bush a liar and vows that if the United States attacks,

thousands of Americans would go home in ''shrouded and sad coffins.''

Friday, Aug. 17 - U.S. officials say 35 Americans in the Iraqi capital of Baghdad were moved from a hotel against their will and Japanese nationals were being barred from leaving Iraq and Kuwait.

Iraq releases Iranian POWs and reportedly shifts troops from its border with Iran to Kuwait's border with Saudi Arabia.

An Iraqi cargo ship laden with food sails through the Suez Canal on course for a possible showdown with U.S. warships ordered to interdict trade.

President Bush considers a plan to call up U.S. military reserves.

Saturday, Aug. 18 - Iraq calls the U.S. naval quarantine in the Persian Gulf an ''act of war,'' warning that foreign babies detained in the country will suffer along with Iraqi infants if there are shortages of food and medicine.

Iraq also declares it will keep citizens of ''aggressive nations'' at military and other key installations in Iraq and Kuwait as long as the country is threatened with war.

The White House condemns Iraq's plan to use Americans as ''pawns'' as a violation of international law and immediately calls upon Baghdad to release all foreign nationals.

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CLEARWATER, FL (AUG. 18) UPI - Virginia lawyer Thomas Root, who survived a mystery flight to the Bahamas last year than ended in a watery crash, has surrendered to authorities to face 50 criminal charges of investment fraud in the sale of FM radio license applications.

Root, who became nationally known last year when his plane crashed off the Bahamas after a bizarre six-hour flight, flew to Clearwater Friday from his home in Norwalk, Ohio, to surrender to Pinellas County authorities.

He was booked briefly in the county jail before a circuit judge ordered him released on his own recognizance. A sheriff's department spokeswoman said Root left immediately for Ohio.

Root is accused with three other men of selling fraudulent investment opportunities in FM radio license applications pending before the Federal Communications Commission.

The 37-year-old attorney handled applications for investors in Sonrise, a

Georgia company that espoused Christian principles in its sales literature.

Root has already pleaded guilty to federal felony charges of misrepresenting clients. He faces up to 35 years in prison and $1.2 million in fines and he will likely be sentenced within 30 days.

He also has been indicted by a grand jury in North Carolina on 455 counts of securities fraud and other charges.

He will be tried in Pinellas County on the state charges because a sizable number of the 200 Floridians who invested in Root's ventures live in Pinellas and Pasco counties.

Root became newsworthy last year when his plane crashed in the Atlantic Ocean off the Bahamas after a six-hour flight from the Washington, D.C., area. He claimed he blacked out during the flight and the plane flew on automatic pilot until it hit the water.

Navy pilots tracked the flight and disputed that account, saying they saw Root moving in the cockpit.

The mystery deepened when rescuers discovered Root had a gunshot wound in his abdomen, which has still not been explained.

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#90230u0705 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - Saudi Arabia's foreign minister says the United Nations may authorize a multi-national naval blockade against Iraq. U-N Secretary General Perez de Cuellar said earlier this week he believed the U-S decision to board and search ships leaving or sailing to Iraq and Kuwait went beyond the bounds of the U-N-mandated sanctions. Britain says it will join in the U-S interdiction.

Iraqi policy is firming with regard to foreign nationals in Iraq and occupied Kuwait. Baghdad declared today it would keep citizens of so-called ''aggressive nations'' at military and other key installations as long as it's threatened with war. Britain condemned the detentions... denouncing them as illegal and contrary to accepted international behavior.

A White House spokesman promises a comment on the detention of Americans later today. While Iraq did NOT specify which foreigners would remain... it clearly meant citizens of Western nations that sent military forces or financial aid to sustain troops in the Persian Gulf. Nationals from the United States, Britain and Japan appear to have been singled out.

Officials in Manila say the Philippine armed forces are on maximum alert as a precaution after right-wing rebels announced they will stage another

coup attempt. A series of six bomb explosions have rocked the capital in recent days, damaging government buildings and a bank... but causing NO injuries. Rebels had suspended attacks following the July 16th earthquake.

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#90230u0714 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 18) UPI - Pat O'Connor, a former standout on the professional wrestling circuit, has died of cancer. He was 65.

O'Connor, a native of New Zealand, where he was an amateur champion, was recognized as the world champion by the National Wrestling Association after defeating Dick Hutton at Kiel Auditorium in St. Louis on Jan. 9, 1959.

O'Connor died Thursday night at Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, officials said.

He held the NWA title until June 30, 1961, when he lost to Buddy Rogers before a paid crowd of 38,622 at Comiskey Park in Chicago. That crowd is believed to be the second-largest in United States pro wrestling history.

O'Connor's last match was in St. Louis on Jan. 1, 1982.

O'Connor served in the New Zealand Royal Air Force in World War II. He competed in the Pan American Games in 1948 and the British Empire Games in 1950. He lived in Minneapolis, Chicago and Kansas City before moving to St. Louis in 1983.

He is survived by his wife, Julie; three daughters in Kansas City and a brother, Mervin, of New Zealand.

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#90230u0715 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - The death toll is rising in South Africa, where police are trying to contain black factional fighting near Johannesburg. Officials say police backed by army units will be deployed in Soweto. Six days of fighting has left 207 people dead. Police say a mob killed a Soweto township official outside his home in a pre-dawn attack.

Fans and friends are remembering Pearl Bailey as a tireless performer who rose above racial barriers. Bailey died in Philadelphia yesterday at the age of 72. Trumpet player Wynton Marsalis says he'll remember Bailey as... in his words... ''a very warm woman who represents the best that the world has to offer. She loved everybody.'' Milton Berle says Bailey had- quote- ''her own original style.''

A 100-Million-dollar British t-v relay satellite is orbiting the Earth this morning after being carried into space aboard a Delta-2 rocket launched from Cape Canaveral last night. An on-board rocket will fire later to boost the satellite into a circular orbit, more than 22-thousand miles above the equator. Apollo 12 astronaut Pete Conrad, an official with Delta-2 rocket builder McDonnell Douglas, called it ''really a super launch.''

Officials in San Francisco say a boy with AIDS who was embraced by Pope John Paul during a visit three years ago is dead at the age of seven. Brendan O'Rourke died early yesterday at University of California-San Francisco Medical Center from complications of the disease. O'Rourke got the deadly immune system disease from a blood transfusion when he was a premature infant.

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#90230u0760 08/18/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 19) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

Cincinnati - Outfielder Ken Griffey retired; recalled pitcher Chris Hammond from Indianapolis of the American Association (AAA).

Pittsburgh - Optioned pitcher Mike York to Buffalo of the American Association (AAA); recalled outfielder Orlando Merced from Buffalo.

College

Cal-Santa Barbara - Signed basketball Coach Jerry Pimm to 5-Year contract.

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#90230u0763 08/18/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 18) UPI - American television networks remained frustrated Saturday in efforts to broadcast reports from Iraq, where only CBS still had correspondents on the ground, network officials said.

Iraqi officials ''invited'' ABC correspondents Ted Koppell and Forrest Sawyer to leave the country with their crews within days of arriving Tuesday, ABC spokesman Scott Richardson said.

Koppell, who had interviewed Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, was ordered out of the country. He returned late Friday to Washington. Sawyer was able to stay just one more day, Richardson said.

Koppell had been the first Western network representative to reach Baghdad arriving a day ahead of CBS's Dan Rather. NBC's Tom Brokaw got only as far as Saudi Arabia.

In Saudi Arabia, news executives have expressed frustration with the Pentagon, complaining that U.S. military officials were significantly restricting the effectiveness of the pool of reporters and photographers covering American troops taking up defensive positions in that Arab country.

Richardson said ABC has ''no one in Iraq now,'' but 12 correspondents and producers and crews remain in other Middle East locations.

NBC has 70 employees around the area, including Jordan, Egypt and Israel, but not in Iraq, spokeswoman Katherine McQuay said. Garrick Utley was scheduled to report from Jordan on Sunday.

From Baghdad, Rather has been unable to transmit picture coverage, but has reported via telephone lines and interviewed Aziz Saturday, CBS said. Correspondent Allen Pizzey also was filing reports.

Network spokesman Tom Goodman said the CBS news crew arrived in Iraq Wednesday via Jordan and that it was unclear how long they would be able to stay.

He declined to discuss in detail any security concerns the network might have about its employees in Iraq, which has said it will keep detained citizens of ''aggressive nations'' at military and other key installations in Iraq and Kuwait as long as it is threatened with war.

''At this point, we're not really saying much about them,'' Goodman said. ''We're taking every possible precaution. They say the people on the ground are being treated well.''

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#90230u0774 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - Iraq said Saturday it would detain thousands of foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait as a human shield against U.S. attack and vowed foreign babies would suffer along with Iraqi infants if economic sanctions deprive the country of food and medicine.

An Iraqi Labor Ministry spokesman called the U.S. decision to intercept Iraqi ships and cut Iraq off from trade with the world an ''act of war.''

Baghdad, using trapped foreigners as bargaining chips in a high stakes bluffing game, reportedly offered Brazil the return of its nationals if

the South American country defied the economic embargo imposed by the United Nations following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The maneuvers by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, beseiged by the embargo and confronting a U.S.-led multinational military force, appeared destined to isolate Baghdad even further. Britain and France quickly condemned the detentions, while the White House deplored using innocent foreigners as ''pawns'' of war.

There are an estimated 300,000 Westerners and Asians caught in Kuwait and Iraq, including 3,000 Americans, and over a million other Arab nationals who are apparently unaffected by the announcement.

The United States, which decided unilaterally to enforce the sanctions by boarding and searching ships, intercepted two Iraqi ships Friday but allowed them to proceed when it was determined they were empty. Pentagon sources said the U.S. Navy has been ordered to turn back shipments of food but not medicine.

The Iraqi Labor Ministry said in a statement that ''the United States and its allies have surpassed the economic embargo, ... including food and medicine, which is considered an act of war in accordance with international custom and international law.''

Saadi Mahdi Saleh, speaker of the Iraqi National Assembly, said in a statement early Saturday that Americans and other foreigners would be moved to key military and economic installations. Other Iraqi officials said the move was a ''preventive measure'' to deter Western attacks.

He did not say whether the foreigners had already been moved, but indicated they would stay put until the United States and other Western nations withdrew the tens of thousands of troops that have been deployed to Saudi Arabia to guard the kingdom against a possible Iraqi attack.

''The Iraqi people have decided to play host to the citizens of these aggressive nations now in Iraq, and in their forefront the United States, as long as Iraq continues to be under threat of an aggressive war,'' Saleh said the statement carried by the Iraq News Agency, INA.

Later in the day, the Iraqi Labor Ministry announced foreigners will suffer from the quarantine in an emotional statement that repeatedly referred to infants deprived of milk.

Pulling out all stops on pyschological warfare, it called on families of the detained foreigners to appeal to the United States, saying the ''right solution is for the embargo to end.''

''We decided to treat the foreign newborn babies similarly with the Iraqi

babies if there were to be any reduction in the necessities ... because of the economic embargo,'' the spokesman said.

It said that Iraq would allocate its dwindling resources first to its troops, then to Iraqi citizens and, finally, to the foreign detainees.

''Their share of food, quantity and quality, will be affected by the blockade,'' the statement said.

Bush aides condemned Iraq's plan to use Americans as ''pawns'' as a violation of international law and immediately called upon Baghdad to release all foreign nationals. The administration has refused to term the Americans in Kuwait and Iraq as ''hostages.''

At his vacation home in Kennebunkport, Maine, a visibly irritated President Bush waived off questions from reporters early Saturday when asked about the fate of Americans in those countries.

Britain quickly denounced the detentions as illegal, unacceptable and contrary to norms of international behavior, and France warned the detentions could result in ''grave consequences.'' Moscow said it was concerned and studying the situation.

The United States continued its efforts to convince the United Nations to ''take steps'' to secure the release of the detained foreigners.

While Iraq did not specify which foreigners would remain, it clearly meant those from Western nations that sent military forces or financial aid to sustain troops in the Persian Gulf following the invasion of Kuwait.

Nationals from the United States, Britain and Japan appear to have been singled out while hundreds of Soviet citizens have been allowed to leave. Moscow has not joined the multinational military force, although it said it would do so if the United Nations supervised the operation.

The United States deployed tens of thousands of troops to Saudi Arabia following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and sent dozens of warships to the gulf.

Troops from Arab countries, principally Egypt, also have been deployed in Saudi Arabia. But more than 23,000 Arabs and other foreigners have been allowed to flood across the Iraqi border into Jordan since Thursday.

In a move foreshadowing Saturday's announcement, about 35 Americans were reported Friday to have been moved from the Rashid Hotel in Baghdad to another downtown hotel.

Before Saturday's declaration, Iraqi officials said Westerners were safe

and their departures were delayed as a precautionary measure.

A newspaper closely linked to the Brazilian government reported Saturday that Iraq offered to return some of the country's estimated 500 nationals in Iraq and Kuwait if Brazil resumed trade broken off by the U.N. embargo.

The Brazilian government said it had no intention of accepting the offer.

The United States was also reportedly offering some deals, although with money instead of civilians. Senator Jim Stasser, a Democrat from Tennessee told Poland that Washington may reduce some of Poland's debt in gratitude that the struggling East European country joined the international sanctions.

In other actions Saturday, Saudi Arabia said it would step up its production of crude if OPEC, the Organization of Oil Producing Countries, failed to meet the increased demand caused by the Iraqi embargo.

Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy urged the United States to set a deadline for the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Saudi's Foreign Minister said in a news conference he believed the United Nations was prepared to put more muscle behind the economic embargo and order a multinational force to enforce the sanctions.

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#90230u0797 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

ABOARD THE USS EISENHOWER IN THE RED SEA (AUG. 18) UPI - The frigate USS Reid fired six warning shots across the bow of an Iraqi tanker in the Gulf of Oman that refused a warning to stop, Navy officials said Saturday.

The U.S. Naval fleet in the Persian Gulf went to battle stations following the incident but later discontinued its general quarters status.

A naval official told pool reporters traveling with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney that the Reid had fired the shots. It was not immediately known when the incident occurred Saturday or whether the tanker was stopped and boarded.

On Friday, two U.S. warships stopped two Iraqi cargo ships near the coast of Kuwait but allowed them to proceed when it was determined they were empty. The ships stopped when requested to do so and were not boarded, Pentagon officials said.

The shots Saturday were the first fired in the gulf region since the United States announced Thursday evening it would unilaterally enforce an economic embargo against Iraq imposed by the United Nations following

Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Pentagon officials said the U.S. Navy was instructed to board and search suspected vessels and fire warning shots across the bows of ships that failed to heed warnings to stop.

Pentagon sources said shipments of food would be turned back and that only medicine would be allowed through to Iraq.

The U.N. resolution on the sanctions allows the shipments of food and medicine if warranted for humanitarian reasons.

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#90230u0825 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

CINCINNATI (AUG. 18) UPI - Ken Griffey, the remaining vestige of the Cincinnati Reds Big Red Machine of the 1970s, retired Saturday before the Reds' game with the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Griffey, who made his major league debut with Cincinnati in 1973, reported to the Cincinnati clubhouse before a nationally televised game with Pittsburgh and reportedly was partially dressed for practice when summoned to Manager Lou Piniella's office.

Shortly afterward the 40-year-old reserve said he was ending his 18-year big-league career. Griffey left Riverfront Coliseum reportedly to travel to New York where his son, Seattle Mariners outfielder Ken Griffey, Jr., is playing against the Yankees.

''Ken is a class person who had a great career,'' Piniella said. ''I played with him for the Yankees and coached and managed him at New York and here in Cincinnati. He helped with the leadership in our clubhouse and I enjoyed being around him.

''Ken had talked about retirement and today he did it, but he'll still be around here to help us and work with the staff.''

The Reds manager said Griffey, who spent nine seasons with the Reds from 1973-81 and was a key member of Cincinnati's 1975 and '76 world championship teams, was considering coaching, possibly with the Reds.

Griffey's departure opened a roster spot for left-hander Chris Hammond, who started Saturday's game against the Pirates. Hammond was recalled from Class AAA Nashville of the American Association, where he was 14-1 with a 2.17 ERA. He had 139 strikeouts in 141 innings.

Hammond is replacing Danny Jackson, now on the 15-day disabled list, in the Reds' starting rotation.

Griffey was traded to the Yankees on Nov. 4, 1981, for Fred Toliver and Brian Ryder. He spent 4 1-2 seasons with New York before being traded to Atlanta on June 29, 1986 with Andre Robertson for Claudell Washington and Paul Zuvella.

Griffey was released by Atlanta and signed by the Reds as a free agent on Aug. 2, 1988.

''It'll be tough without Kenny,'' said Reds center fielder Eric Davis. ''He was an inspiration to us through his very presence in the clubhouse. He gave us leadership that always was positive. He was my friend and he'll be missed.''

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#90230u0827 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 18) UPI - The jury weighing the fate of three teens accused of raping and trying to beat to death a woman jogger in Central Park reheard testimony Saturday from a detective who questioned one defendent.

A court officer read back the testimony of Detective Harry Hildebrandt, who elicited a confession from Antron McCray at a precinct house last year where the teen was questioned about the events in Central Park the night of April 19, 1989.

Defense lawyers have argued that police coerced confessions from the youths during long hours of interrogation after the incident drew intense media interest.

Hildebrandt's testimony was read back to the jury of 10 men and two women, who appeared exhausted in their tenth day of deliberations with no sign of a verdict at state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

McCray, 16, Yusef Salam, 16, and Raymond Salaam, 15, are on trial on 13 criminal charges, including rape and attempted murder, for the rampage through the moonlit park.

They are accused of being part of a pack of up to 30 youths that roamed through the park, attacking nine victims including the woman jogger.

Hildebrandt's questioning with McCray's parents present resulted in one written and one videotaped confession by McCray.

Santana also made written and videotaped confessions. Salaam made no confessions, but made incriminating statements during an interview with a detective who took notes.

In a case with little physical evidence linking the youths to the crime, the teens' own words are the most damaging evidence against them.

They recounted in emotionless voices how they charged bicyclists, a homeless man and joggers. They said the group jumped the investment banker now 30, near the 102nd Street park transverse, bashed her in the head with a metal pipe, and dragged her into the woods. Several youths raped her and hit her in the head again, then left her for dead, they said.

Under the prosecution's theory presented in the six-week trial, the woman was the fifth victim of the one hour crime spree. The teens allegedly emerged from the woods in search of other victims and headed for the reservoir, where they attacked male joggers.

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#90230u0838 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

WEST COVINA, CA. (AUG. 18) UPI - The first casualty of the U.S. deployment in Saudi Arabia was eulogized Saturday as a ''peacemaker'' who died ''so children may never have to fight in a war.''

Air Force Staff Sgt. John Campisi, 31, a father of four children, was killed Aug. 12 when he was hit by a truck on a darkened runway in Saudi Arabia. He was the first American serviceman killed in the ''Operation Desert Shield'' deployment ordered by President Bush.

At a funeral mass at St. Christopher Catholic Church, his family's parish in the San Gabriel Valley city of West Covina, Campisi's longtime friend, Mark Rizkowski, told a congregation of about 300 that the two had kept in touch by letter or phone calls since Campisi joined the Air Force at age 18.

In an emotional eulogy, Rizkowski, often choking back tears, said, ''He was one the one we called the peacemaker. ... John died for a reason, a reason that meant a lot to John and all of us. ... He died so that one day his, mine and all our children may never have to fight in a war. They can always live in peace.''

Monsignor Helmut Hefner told the congregation: ''We must realize the cost of war. ... We must not let (Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein) start a holy war to stampede us.''

Before the hour-long service ended, singers, including several of Campisi's cousins, were accompanied by a single guitar in several hymns.

Campisi's coffin was carried by six pallbearers, all in Air Force uniforms out of the church to a hearse, which carried it to a nearby cemetery for

interment.

Campisi, who grew up in Covina, was an aircraft maintenance technician who had been assigned to Offutt Air Force Base in Nebraska. Family members said he planned to spend 20 years in the service and then retire.

Pentagon officials said he may have been wearing protective ear gear that prevented him from hearing the truck that hit and killed him, three weeks before his 32nd birthday.

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#90230u0854 08/18/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 18) UPI - Saudi Arabia's foreign minister holds out little hope for a diplomatic solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Foreign Minister Saud al Faisal says that chance is doomed because Iraq refuses to withdraw from Kuwait. Faisal says his country hopes to avoid a military encounter, but he's afraid Iraq will force a decision.

The United States is refusing to call Americans being detained in Iraq and Kuwait hostages. But the White House says it will speak out on the situation later today. Iraq says it will hold citizens of Western nations that sent troops or funds to Saudi Arabia at military and other key installations in Iraq and Kuwait.

Police in India's Punjab state are blaming a Sikh militant for a bombing this morning at a packed movie theater. The blast killed the suspected rebel and injured at least 55 people. The explosion occurred one day before the nation's prime minister was to visit the area where Sikhs are fighting for an independent homeland.

The city of Philadelphia is falling into a deepening financial mess. Economists and business leaders are urging Mayor Wilson Goode to agree to form a New York-style outside management team to restore the city's fiscal health. The city must raise 450-Million dollars immediately or it will be broke by December.

Illinois corrections officials will NOT hire the inventor of a controversial lethal injection machine as a consultant for the execution of a convicted murderer. Authorities were concerned about the credentials of Dr. Fred Leuchter. Leuchter has come under fire for suggesting buildings at Nazi concentration camps could NOT have been used as gas chambers.

A film board in Britain is changing its position on a film that it says libels novelist Salman Rushdie. The British Board of Film Classification is complying with Rushdie's wishes and allowing the Pakistani-made film to be distributed in Britain. The film depicts the writer as a drunkard who

kills Moslems.

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#90230u0864 08/18/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 18) UPI - The following is an unofficial and incomplete list of the number foreigners in Kuwait and Iraq, based on reports from the foreign ministries and media of the countries involved.

Kuwait has traditionally had a substantial number of resident foreign workers because of the country's high standard of living and low native population.

In some cases, the figures below are based on estimates and the numbers are subject to change as thousands flee the two countries.

Country	In Kuwait	In Iraq
Australia	90	70
Austria	70	70
Bangladesh	70,000	25,000
Belgium	21	38
Brazil	61	420
Bulgaria	352	0
Canada	500	200
China	Total: "several thousand"	
Czechoslovakia	123	358
Denmark	83	20
Egypt	150,000	1,600,000
Finland	23	27
France	270	290
Greece	200	47
Holland	80	152
Hong Kong	Total: 20	
Hungary	Total: 200	
India	170,000	60,000
Ireland	50	300
Italy	152	330
Japan	278	230
Lebanon	30,000	20,000
Malaysia	298	17
Morocco	6,000	30,000
Norway	21	30
Pakistan	90,000	10,000
Philippines	60,000	5,000
Poland	3,000	1,000
South Korea	648	732
Soviet Unio	1,000	8,000

Spain	106	122
Sri Lanka	100,000	-
Sweden	140	40
Switzerland	97	69
Taiwan	150	-
Thailand	7,000	3,000
Tunisia	2,000	2,000
Turkey	2,500	4,000
United Kingdom	4,000	700
United States	2,500	600
West Germany	290	450
Yugoslavia	300	10,000
Palestinians	300,000	170,000

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#90230u0892 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 18) UPI - Describing President Bush as ''deeply concerned,'' the White House Saturday condemned Iraq's threat to relocate and to withhold adequate food from Americans and other foreign nationals trapped in that country until the threat of war is over.

''The use of innocent civilians as pawns to promote what Iraq sees as its self-interest is contrary to international law,'' press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said in a statement.

''We urge that Iraq immediately reconsider its refusal to allow any foreign national desiring to leave, to do so without delay or condition,'' he said.

Fitzwater also termed as ''totally unacceptable'' Iraq's announcement late Friday that it would hold Americans and other foreign nationals until the threat of war is over.

The press secretary issued the brief statement shortly after Iraq announced it would also limit food to these nationals, including babies, until a week-old de facto blockade initiated by the United States is lifted.

The carefully worded one-page statement was the administration's first comment on Iraq's threat late Friday to hold all foreign nationals until the Persian Gulf crisis ends.

In the statement, the administration still refused to describe these captives as ''hostages,'' referring to them instead as ''American citizens '' ''individuals'' or ''foreign nationals.''

Fitzwater said Bush views the statement Friday by the speaker of Iraq's

national assembly that Baghdad '''will play host to citizens of these aggressive (foreign) nations until as long as Iraq remains threatened''' to be ''totally unacceptable.''

Fitzwater said, ''The president is deeply troubled by the indication that Iraqi authorities intend to relocate these individuals within Iraq against their will.''

''The president is also deeply concerned about today's announcement by the government of Iraq that foreign nationals may not have access to adequate quantities of food,'' he said.

A spokesman for the Iraq Labor Ministry appealed in a televised broadcast for the families of the foreigners to protest the U.S. decision to enforce economic sanctions against Iraq, imposed by the United Nations following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''We decided to treat the foreign newborn babies similarly with the Iraqi babies if there were to be any reduction in the necessities ... because of the economic embargo,'' the spokesman said.

The ''blockade, including food and medicine ... is considered an act of war,'' the Iraqi spokesman said.

In Saturday's initial announcement, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said through a spokesman that Iraq would ''host'' thousands of foreign nationals at key military and economic installations in Iraq and Kuwait, presumably to discourage action by Western forces gathered in the Persian Gulf.

Meanwhile, an administration source said the White House and Pentagon had not yet agreed on how many U.S. military reservists to activate, but said that the first called up would likely include cargo handlers, medical experts and other specialists.

The Washington Post quoted sources as saying the number could be as high as 80,000, but The New York Times quoted an unidentified official as saying the number would not exceed 2,500 to 3,000, at least at first.

There are believed to be 45,000 U.S. ground troops in Saudi Arabia, and officials said that force could grow to as many as 100,000 American soldiers.

If reserve forces are activated to back up U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, it will mark the first full-scale test of the post-Vietnam War restructuring of the American military.

Bush, on a three-week working vacation in Maine, discussed the latest

Iraqi threat, and the administration's response to it, during a phone call with aides while aboard his speedboat, Fitzwater said.

The White House announced that a scheduled return by Bush to Washington Sunday had been moved up by a few hours so he can have dinner with national security advisers at the White House.

On Monday, Bush is to meet with Energy Secretary James Watkins and budget advisers to discuss the impact of the crisis in the oil-rich gulf on the United States' energy supply and spending plans.

The Pentagon estimates that the massive buildup of U.S. troops in the Middle East will cost $1.3 billion during the first six weeks, more if fighting breaks out.

Fitzwater, in his statement, expressed hope that Iraq would pay heed to a U.N. statement Friday ''expressing concern and anxiety'' over the fate of foreign nationals in Iraq and Kuwait, and ''calling upon the secretary general to take all appropriate steps.''

Fitzwater said the United States intends to consult with the governments of other citizens being held Iraq and Kuwait ''to determine what additional measures ought to be taken.''

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#90230u0931 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

ABOARD THE USS EISENHOWER IN THE RED SEA (AUG. 18) UPI - A U.S. warship in the Gulf of Oman fired six warning shots Saturday across the bow of an Iraqi tanker that refused orders to stop, the Navy said. Iraq contended warning shots were fired at two ships challenging the U.S. embargo.

The Iraqi News Agency, INA, said shots were lobbed in front of two tankers the Khanakeen in the Gulf of Oman, and the Baba Gurgur in the Persian Gulf, but that both ships continued their course and refused to allow American forces to board.

The U.S. naval fleet in the nearby Persian Gulf went to battle stations following the incident in the Gulf of Oman, but the alert status was later discontinued, naval officials said.

The shots were the first fired in the Persian Gulf region since the United States announced Thursday evening it would unilaterally enforce an economic embargo against Iraq imposed by the United Nations following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Navy told pool reporters traveling with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney that the frigate USS Reid had fired six shots at 4 p.m. (9 a.m. EDT) at an

unidentified tanker in the narrow entrance to the Persian Gulf in Gulf of Oman.

Reports reaching the pool aboard USS Eisenhower six hours later did not say whether the tanker turned back, but said the U.S. ships in the gulf had stood down from general quarters.

''One of our frigates, out in the Gulf of Oman, has fired a warning shot an an Iraqi tanker, in fact, fired six of them,'' said Capt. Morris Foote of the guided missile curiser USS Ticonderoga, which is cruising with the Eisenhower battle group.

Foote said the shots from the Ticonderoga's 76mm gun passed across the bow of the ship, which he said was probably not armed. Foote did not have details, but other U.S. officers and INA both said that the ship had refused orders to stop.

''I don't think that there was any other provocation,'' Foote said. ''I don't think there was anything, in fact, threatening from the Iraqis or from any other source.

''But as a general course, when we start getting into the business of firing shots, you're never sure of the reaction,'' he said, explaining why the ships in the gulf ordered personnel to battle stations.

Foote said the frigate's commander received permission to fire from Adm. William Fogarty, commander of the Middle East task force in the Persian Gulf.

The Navy said nothing about the second Iraqi tanker that INA said was fired on in the Persian Gulf.

''A number of American war boats fired shots in front and behind the two tankers in an attempt to force them stop and change course, but the two tankers continued in the pre-assigned course, challenging the American fleets breaching international law,'' said INA in a translation to English.

Oil Minister Isam Abdul Raheem al-Chalaby was quoted by the news service as saying that several other ships were challenged, but provided no details.

The oil ministry warned that aggression toward Iraqi tankers and their crews would result in unspecified ''grave consequences,'' INA reported.

Al-Chalaby also told the news service other tankers would defy the U.S. warships in order to prove their loyalty to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

On Friday, two U.S. warships stopped two Iraqi cargo ships near the coast

of Kuwait but allowed them to proceed when it was determined they were empty. The ships stopped when requested to do so and were not boarded, Pentagon officials said.

The Pentagon said the U.S. Navy was instructed to board and search suspected vessels and fire warning shots across the bows of ships that failed to heed warnings to stop.

Pentagon sources said shipments of food would be turned back and that only medicine would be allowed through to Iraq.

The U.N. resolution on the sanctions allows the shipments of food and medicine if warranted for humanitarian reasons.

Cheney, who learned of the incident from aides, told an assembly of 6,000 sailors on the Eisenhower that the next two or three weeks would be ''critical'' in the history of nation.

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#90230u1010 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - Americans and other foreigners being held in Iraq and Kuwait are figuring more into the strategic battle in the Persian Gulf. Iraq issued new threats against the detainees today... saying their babies would suffer from a U-S naval blockade along with Iraqi infants. Iraq says the quarantine of ships... including those carrying food and medicine... is an ''act of war.''

Iraq said earlier the foreigners would be held at military bases and other key installations as long as there was a threat of war. Britain has denounced the detentions as illegal. Aides to President Bush condemn the move... saying the Americans are being used as ''pawns'' in violation of international law. The aides called for the immediate release of all foreigners held in Iraq and Kuwait.

West Germany's main opposition party says the situation in East Germany calls for the immediate unification of the two nations. The deputy leader of the Social Democratic Party says each day of further delay accentuates East Germany's political and economic crisis. The party official urged the East German Parliament to vote for an immediate merger when it meets next Wednesday.

Cambodia's Khmer Rouge is saying ''NO'' to a Vietnamese proposal for free elections in Cambodia. The guerrilla group says the Vietnamese plan is designed to preserve Cambodia's governmen which was installed by Vietnam. The plan calls for holding elections under the existing government. The Khmer Rouge says that would allow Vietnam to control the voting process.

Heavy thunderstorms caused problems throughout the Great Lakes states today. Power was knocked out to 10-thousand homes from Rockford, Illinois, to Chicago. The storms also flooded basements and roads. Residents along southern Wisconsin's flood-swollen Lemonweir River were evacuated today. Officials say the Lemonweir and Tomah Lake dams are on the verge of breaking.

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#90230u1018 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

TYRE, Lebanon (AUG. 19) UPI - A Lebanese who fled a Kuwaiti jail after the Iraqi invasion said Saturday 17 Shiite activists imprisoned in Kuwait on terrorist charges were still at large in the Emirate disguised as Kuwaitis and waiting to flee to Iran.

Abdel Aziz Krayem, a 40-year-old Shiite Lebanese who arrived Friday in south Lebanon from Kuwait, told United Press International he was held at Kuwait's State Security Prison along with the 17 prisoners, among them 16 Shiites and one Christian.

Krayem, who was serving 15-year term for masterminding the bombing of water and electricity companies in Kuwait, affirmed that the 17 were members of the Iranian-backed Islamic Jihad and were now free but hiding in Kuwait City.

The blond, green-eyed Krayem was interviewed at his hideout in the village of Yater, 10 miles south of the port city of Tyre, 46 miles south of Beirut.

Krayem, the father of three, said he spent a few years of his term with the convicts in the same cell at the Kuwaiti State Security Prison.

Fundamentalist sources confirmed the convicts Krayem mentioned by name were among the 17 imprisoned in Kuwait.

Previous reports said only 16 were convicted in the bombings of the U.S. and French embassies and the emirate's oil refineries in 1983.

Their seizure was one of the factors that triggered a wave of abductions of Westerners in Lebanon.

The Islamic Jihad, the group claiming responsibility for detaining U.S. citizens Terry Anderson and Thomas Sutherland, had repeatedly demanded the release of the prisoners in exchange for freeing the two U.S. captives.

''The last time I saw (the Shiites) was when we escaped from prison 12 days ago,'' Krayem said. ''They shouted Allah Akbar (God is Great) and Victory for Believers,'' he said.

Krayem said the families of Kuwaiti prisoners stormed the jail shortly after the Iraqi Army invaded Kuwait August 2. The prison guards fired at the prisoners, killing two of them.

''The Kuwaitis who stormed the jail provided the 17 convicts with gealabias (Kuwaiti traditional long white robes) and kufias (head scarves) and escorted them out.

''They rode waiting taxis and were driven in one convoy along with three Kuwaiti prisoners convicted of murder to an unknown destination,'' Krayem said.

He said that during their stay in prison ''the Islamic Jihad group'' have established good relations with a number of Kuwaiti inmates and enjoyed wide popularity among the prisoners.

''They just disappeared in the streets of Kuwait. They are dressed like Kuwaitis. They look like Kuwaitis and it is simply impossible to recognize them or locate them,'' Krayem said.

He said that before he left Kuwait a few days ago, witnesses told him they saw the 17 Shiites in the Emirate.

Krayem quoted Lebanese sources in Kuwait as saying that ''they can leave the Kuwaiti territories in ways which they know very well.''

He said their Lebanese fundamentalist friends in Kuwait were trying to secure their return to Lebanon but the convicted activists preferred to go to Iran.

Krayem's statement contradicted earlier reports that the prisoners were seized by the Iraqi Army when it invaded Kuwait and taken to Baghdad.

''We regained freedom by ourselves and with God's help and nobody has played any role in our release as media reports have indicated earlier,'' Krayem said.

He added that he succeeded in forging travel documents and arrived in Lebanon through Jordan and Syria late Friday.

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#90230u1084 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

ALBANY, NY (AUG. 19) UPI - U.S. District Judge James Foley, who was appointed to the federal bench by President Harry Truman in 1949, has died at age 80.

Foley, who served the northern district of New York state, died Friday at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany. He had suffered a stroke five days earlier.

The judge was known for tackling controversial civil rights and affirmative action litigation.

''Judge Foley set an example for all judges,'' U.S. District Judge Con Cholakis said. ''He knew the law. He knew human nature. And he treated everyone with courtesy and respect.''

Foley, who became a ''senior'' or semi-retired judge in 1980, is best remembered for a 1979 opinion in which he ruled the New York State Police were unintentionally discriminating against women and minorities. He ordered hiring quotas that remained in effect for 10 years.

Foley also wrote a 1972 decision that forced state corrections officials to improve the treatment of prison inmates, finding routine strip searches and an arbitrary denial of outdoor exercise to violate the Constitution's prohibition of cruel and unusual punishment.

''It is a hard test for the humanism of a federal judge not to want to correct policies and regulations that to him seem harsh and arbitrary,'' Foley wrote.

Foley worked as a trial judge for his entire career, shunning the cloistered work that a promotion to an appellate court would require.

''I always wanted to be what I am: a pure, unadulterated district judge,'' Foley said in a 1987 interview. ''I like meeting people - litigants, witnesses, juries.''

Memorial services are scheduled for Monday at the John Clinton Funeral Home in Troy.

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#90230u1098 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - President Bush is said to be ''deeply concerned'' about the latest threat out of Iraq. In a brief statement this morning, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater condemned as ''totally UNacceptable'' Iraq's announcement that it would relocate and withhold food and medicine to Americans trapped in Iraq... including babies... until Washington lifts its de facto blockade.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said through a spokesman today that Iraq would ''host'' thousands of foreign nationals at key military and economic installations in Iraq and Kuwait. The action apparently is aimed at discouraging air strikes by Western forces gathered in the Persian Gulf.

Citizens from the United States, Britain and Japan seem to have been singled out.

Saudi Arabia today vowed to pump an extra two-Million barrels of oil daily if its OPEC partners refuse to increase production to meet global shortages caused by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer said his country could satisfy half of a worldwide shortfall of approximately four-Million barrels daily.

President Bush is becoming increasingly angered by questions of why he's taking a vacation in Maine during the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush snapped at reporters that he keeps in touch with White House advisers on the situation every morning. He then ignored reporters and turned his attention to a round of golf.

Philadelphia is drowning in debt... and Mayor Wilson Goode is under increasing pressure to call out the lifeguards. Political and financial leaders are urging Goode to create an advisory panel to rescue the economy... much in the same way New York was saved in the 1970's. The city says it needs to raise 450-Million immediately just to cover day-to-day expenses.

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#90230u1102 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - NASA engineers say they've managed to maintain steady contact with the space probe Magellan today... but are still scrambling to figure out why they temporarily lost touch with the Venus radar mapper. Communications were lost late Thursday after an UNknown problem put the probe into a protective state of computer hibernation.

The Manhattan jury in the case of the Central Park jogger entered its 10th day of deliberations today. The panel listened yesterday to a readback of testimony from two police officers that supported defense claims that the defendants were NOT in the park at the time a woman jogger was gang-raped and beaten. Three youths are accused of the crime.

100-thousand people are expected to jam Prague's Spartakiad Stadium today for a sellout concert by the Rolling Stones. Tickets were snatched up at 10 dollars each. That's about eight percent of the average monthly wage in Czechoslovakia. The show marks the Stones' first appearance in Czechoslovakia.

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#90230u1159 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

PASADENA, CA (AUG. 19) UPI - Three different problems apparently were to blame for throwing the Magellan Venus probe into protective hibernation

Thursday, including a computer glitch and confusion about its location in space, officials said Saturday.

Project managers now believe it may take 10 days to two weeks to fully understand the problems, transmit corrective computer programming and resume testing of Magellan's critical radar system, the centerpiece of a $551 million project to Earth's sister planet in unprecedented detail.

''Nobody thinks they have a fatal problem,'' said Mary Beth Murrill, a spokeswoman for the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. ''They even think they may be able to begin mapping, possibly on schedule, around Sept. 1.''

Resuming operations with Magellan is crucial to the space agency, which has suffered through a storm of media and congressional criticism this summer over the flawed Hubble Space Telescope and problems with the shuttle program.

JPL engineers lost touch with Magellan Thursday, but they were able to re-establish radio contact late Friday. With the probe's antenna locked firmly back on Earth, engineers spent the day Saturday sifting through reams of data from the solar-powered spacecraft.

Preliminary results indicate three apparently unrelated problems contributed to putting Magellan into various levels of protective hibernation called ''safe modes.''

Contact with Magellan was lost shortly after Magellan attempted to find and lock onto a guide star. Such ''star calibrations'' are part of a routine procedure to update on-board computers about the spacecraft's orientation in space.

Steve Wall, a Magellan engineer at JPL, said Saturday the safe mode programs apparently were activated when the computer that controls the spacecraft's attitude suddenly stopped sending routine timing signals to Magellan's master computer.

This loss of the first computer's ''heartbeat'' prompted the main computer to put the spacecraft into an initial safe mode called ''RAM safing.''

The spacecraft immediately stopped what it was doing, aimed its solar panels broadside to the sun and began to search for the bright star Sirius. By knowing its position relative to the sun and Sirius, Magellan would be able to point a radio antenna at Earth to receive further instructions.

At that point, the second problem occurred.

''What seems to have happened ... is that it located something it thought

was Sirius but was not,'' Wall said. ''It started looking for the Earth and of course didn't find it.''

The star sensor may have gotten confused by ''a dust speck, it could have been Venus, it could have been another planet, but it locked onto whatever it was,'' Murrill said.

Magellan's master computer then began executing programs to find out what was wrong and at some point during that process a third event took place that triggered a deeper level of protective software.

Magellan then began actively seeking Earth by rotating about its vertical axis so its radio beam eventually would sweep across the planet. And that is exactly what happened Friday.

''They're dealing with three separate problems here,'' Murrill said. ''They don't know if they're related in any way. What they have to find first is what caused the heartbeat loss on the (attitude control computer).''

Magellan dropped into orbit around Venus Aug. 10, 15 months after launch from the shuttle Atlantis, and engineers had just started testing the radar mapping system Thursday when contact was lost.

Even so, preliminary analysis of data from the first mapping ''pass'' indicated Magellan was working as planned, taking what officials said were spectacular photographs of Venus's surface that will be released Monday.

The probe's radar system is capable of imaging surface features as small as a football field - 10 times better than any previous effort. Scientists are hopeful such relatively sharp photos will help them learn why Venus ended up the 900-degree inferno it is today, the victim of a runaway ''greenhouse'' effect.

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#90230u1228 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 18) UPI - President Bush signed a landmark oil pollution measure Saturday, despite opposition to a provision that would impose a moratorium on oil and natural gas exploration off North Carolina's Outer Banks.

''Such a moratorium is ill-advised in view'' of the ongoing crisis in the oil-rich Persian Gulf, Bush said in a statement, ''and the administration will work to repeal it.''

Bush sent the comprehensive environmental protection measure to Congress last year in wake of the record 11 million-gallon oil spill in Alaska by a

grounded tanker, the Exxon Valdez.

The new law provides for greater safeguards in the transportation of oil, such as requiring double hulls in tankers, and makes an $1 billion trust fund available to cover cleanup costs not compensated by the spiller, whose financial responsibilities are now significantly increased.

Bush called the measure ''landmark,'' but also said, ''I deeply regret the act's inclusion of an unrelated provision that places a moratorium on natural gas and oil exploration in an area 38 miles off North Carolina.

''This area ... is the largest potential natural gas field east of the Mississippi, and could be used to offset our dependence on foreign energy resources,'' he said.

Bush said he also objects to the bill's failure to ratify an international oil spill agreement.

The accord would provide the United States with compensation for spills by foreign tankers by giving access to up to $260 million per spill from an international fund.

Senate leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, led the opposition to ratification saying it could actually lead to a limit on damages.

Bush said, however, the failure to ratify may prompt many large companies to no longer transport oil.

Therefore, he urged Congress to reconsider the accord and approve it.

Bush signed the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 at his summer home in Kennebunkport, Maine, where he is on a working vacation.

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#90230u1238 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 19) UPI - A comprehensive bill to combat AIDS and named in honor of Ryan White, the Indiana boy who became a symbol of unfounded discrimination against AIDS victims, was signed into law Saturday by President Bush.

The Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources and Emergency ACT of 1990 authorizes up to $881 million in federal grants next year, and a total of $4.5 billion in grants through 1995, to provide medical assistance in areas with disproportionately high numbers of AIDS cases.

White, who was subjected to school and even community-wide discrimination because of his illness, died last spring as a respected teenage spokesman

for those afflicted with AIDS.

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#90230u1315 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

RAHWAY, NJ (AUG. 19) UPI - The family of an environmentalist arrested by government troops in the war-torn African nation of Liberia Aug. 10 said Saturday that he has been freed from custody.

Jolanda Voros of Rahway said State Department officials notified her by telephone Saturday that her son Andrew, 33, had been released and placed on a boat carrying refugees away from the west African country.

''I was so happy that I did not even ask how it happened,'' she said.

Voros was arrested in Monrovia at the guest house of the U.S. Agency for International Development and charged with aiding anti-government rebels fighting in the eight-month-old civil war. Liberian government officials said he was carrying an M-16 rifle and a loaded revolver when arrested.

Voros' mother said her son was probably detained for being ''in the wrong place at the wrong time.'' She said she did not believe her son was armed when arrested.

''Some officials who were in Liberia for a long time told me that if he had a gun he would not be alive - they would have shot him,'' she said.

His mother said Voros, who went to Liberia eight years ago as a Peace Corps volunteer, was trying to finish a government-sponsored environmental film when the fighting broke out.

Voros' family had issued a press release Saturday calling on U.S. officials to work for his release. They had feared that uproar over the Persian Gulf crisis had detracted attention from Andrew Voros' plight.

More than 200 Marines were airlifted to Monrovia Aug. 5 to evacuate Americans and protect U.S. installations, but U.S. officials have said they would not intervene to halt the civil war.

Voros' family said he was not politically active and that he was interested in fighting against deforestation and poachers in Liberia. He was the founder and first president of the Liberian chapter of the World Wildlife Federation.

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#90230u1328 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 19) UPI - An inmate hospitalized after a bloody riot on

Rikers Island died Saturday, and officials were investigating whether the death was caused by injuries sustained during alleged beatings by guards.

Inmate Steven Glover, a 36-year-old parole violator awaiting a hearing, died at Harlem Hospital at 6:51 a.m., a hospital spokesman said.

His death may have been the first as a result of the jail riot. Another inmate was found dead in his cell after the clash, but his death was ascribed to a heart attack unrelated to the incident.

Glover was hospitalized with fever, chills and left-side pain, but reports were conflicting and incomplete about the cause of his death and whether he was beaten.

Correction Department spokeswoman Ruby Ryles said Glover was not feeling well and had been on his way to see doctors when the confrontation broke out between guards and inmates Tuesday night.

''He was on his way to see doctors when the disturbance occurred,'' Ryles said. ''I can't say for sure that he wasn't beaten at that time. Doctors did not indicate that he sustained any riot-related injuries.''

A spokesman for Mayor David Dinkins said his office received a preliminary report saying the inmate died of natural causes.

But Michael Letwin, president of the Association of Legal Aid Attorneys, said Glover died as a result of the retaliatory beatings.

Letwin, who talked with Glover's doctor at Harlem Hospital, said, ''He had to have been injured in the events that happened Tuesday night.''

Rikers, the largest jail complex in the country, is a short-term facility with nine jails.

A still undetermined number of inmates were beaten, some seriously following a Tuesday declaration by the union president that the city had relaxed its restrictions on ''use of force.''

Guards, who had been blocking access to the jail for two days in a dispute over the restrictions, rushed to the site of an outburst at the Otis Bantum Center, near where Glover was housed, minutes after the announcement.

Robert Kasanof, chairman of the state Board of Corrections, said his department was investigating the link between the riot and Glover's death.

''We are receiving contradictory information from the Department of Correction. We have asked the Department of Investigation to freeze the

Department of Correction's records,'' Kasanof said.

''There is some indication that at one point the injuries were related (to the rio mounting that there was retaliatory brutality.''

The city's Department of Investigation also is looking into the charges of retaliation beatings by guards.

Correction Department investigators reported that Glover died of natural causes and had been scheduled for a kidney stone operation, Ryles said.

The medical examiner's officer said it would issue a cause of death Sunday.

At a doctor's visit Wednesday, Glover ''compained of pain to his left waist and told doctor that the pain started Tuesday morning,'' Ryles said. He was ordered transferred to the hospital within three hours at 1:45 p.m. she said.

But a Health Department report said that Glover was not hospitalized until 1 a.m. Thursday. It also said that 50 inmates were taken to hospitals, with 12 being admitted, three with broken skulls, two with broken jaws and one with a mangled finger.

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#90230u1336 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - Navy officials say the frigate U-S-S Reid fired six warning shots across the bow of an Iraqi tanker in the Gulf of Oman today that refused a warning to stop. The U-S-S Naval fleet in the Persian Gulf went to battle stations following the incident, but later continued its general quarters status.

It is NOT yet known if the tanker was stopped and boarded. The shots were the first fired in the gulf region since the United States announced it would unilaterally enforce an economic embargo against Iraq imposed by the United Nations following Iraq's August 2nd invasion of Kuwait.

Baghdad increased the stakes in the Middle East crisis by announcing today it would use thousands of foreign nationals trapped in Iraq and Kuwait as a human shield against U-S attack. An Iraqi Labor Ministry spokesman also warned that foreign babies would suffer along with Iraqi infants if economic sanctions deprive the country of food and medicine.

Iraqi troops have withdrawn from more than half the Iranian territory they occupied during the eight-year Gulf War. The Islamic Republic News Agency says Iran also has repatriated about one-thousand Iranian prisoners of war. Iraq is making an effort to concentrate on the threat of U-S forces in the region.

Canadian authorities re-routed freight trains through the northwestern United States today as Ojibwa Indians blockaded major transcontinental lines in Ontario for a third straight day. A spokesman for the Canadian National Railway said the blockade has prevented hundreds of freight cars a day from delivering supplies to western Canada.

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#90230u1339 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - New York authorities report the first death from this week's uprising at the Rikers Island jail. Inmate Steven Glover died early this morning at Harlem Hospital from injuries he suffered when beaten during the riot. The violence that broke out after a strike by Corrections department officers injured 162 prisoners and guards.

A Virginia lawyer who made headlines last year by surviving a mysterious flight aboard a small plane that ended in a watery crash now faces 50 criminal charges. Thomas Root surrendered to authorities yesterday to face investment fraud charges. Root was rescued from the plane last year with an UNexplained gunshot wound.

Fans and friends are mourning the death of Pearl Bailey. The reknowned jazz and blues vocalist died yesterday of UNdetermined causes after losing consciousness in a Philadelphia hotel room. She had a long of history heart trouble. Former President Reagan said he considered a White House performance by Bailey as a one of the highlights of his years in office.

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#90230u1448 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (AUG. 19) UPI - A sellout crowd of 100,000 people jammed Prague's Sprahov Stadium Saturday for the Rolling Stones' first concert in Czechoslovakia.

Playing such old favorites as ''Brown Sugar'' and ''Honky Tonk Woman'' along with more recent hits like ''Between a Rock and a Hard Place,'' the Stones dazzled the rock-hungry Czechoslovak fans with music and pyrotechnic stage effects.

Tickets sold for a relatively exorbitant price of $10, about 8 percent of the average Czechoslovak's monthly wage. In Western European cities toured by the rock supergroup this summer, tickets fetched upward of $30.

The legendary British quintet said it would donate all proceeds from the concert to a charity for the handicapped headed by the wife of Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel.

The Stones' lead singer, Mick Jagger, and other band members met with Havel several hours before the concert, the official CTK news agency said.

''The president's reception of the group demonstrated ... the appraisal of the contribution of the Rolling Stones to modern music culture during more than a quarter of a century of their activity on the scene of world pop music,'' the news agency said.

The European leg of the Stones' 1990 Urban Jungle tour began May 18 and will end Aug. 25 in London.

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#90230u1517 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - DIGEST:

Baseball

Ken Griffey, the last active member of Cincinnati's Big Red Machine teams of the 1970s, retired after 18 years in the major leagues. Griffey, 40, consulted with Reds Manager Lou Piniella before announcing his decision prior to Saturday's game against Pittsburgh at Riverfront Stadium. ... Carlton Fisk of the Chicago White Sox became baseball's all-time home run leader among catchers Friday night by slamming his 328th career homer against the Texas Rangers in Arlington, Texas. Fisk's blow broke the previous record set by Hall of Famer Johnny Bench. ... Bryan Dunn hurler a two-hitter to help Akron, Ohio, the National Amateur Federation Champion, nip Caguas Puerto Rico 2-1 in the Junior Olympic Super Series in Coral Springs, Fla.

Boxing

Nigel Benn registered a technical knockout against Iran Barkley, knocking him to the canvas three times in the first round to retain his World Boxing Organization middleweight championship. Benn put himself in position to challenge for a major middleweight championship when he emerged victorious at 2:57 of the first round.

Cycling

Three-time Tour de France winner Greg Lemond of the United States will attempt to capture his third professional road race title at the World Cycling Championships, which begin Monday at Maebashi, Japan. Nearly 50 countries, 1,200 amateur and professional, male and female cyclists are expected to participate in 15 track events and five road races that will conclude Sept. 2 in Utsunomiya.

Golf

Robert Thompson of Huntsville, Tex., held a one-shot lead over four other players going into the final round of the Ben Hogan Greater Ozarks Open in Springfield, Missouri. Thompson, whose best previous finish on the Hogan Tour was third in the Panama City Beach Classic, fired a second-round five-under 67 for a two-day total of seven-under par 137.

Horse Racing

Kentucky Derby winner Unbridled, racing for the first time since the Belmont Stakes, breezed to a 10-length victory in a $23,500 allowance race at Arlington International Racecourse. Jockey Earlie Fires picked up the 4,999th victory of his career steering the Frances Genter colt to the winner's circle.

Powerboat Racing

Actor Chuck Norris, aboard Popeyes, overcame a stiff challange from Charles Marks of Potomac, Maryland and raced to victory on the Hudson River in New York to capture the Offshore Powerboat Grand Prix. Actor Don Johnson finished ninth.

Rugby

Edward Rombo became the first Kenyan to turn professional when he signed a three-year $52,000 contract with Leeds RFC of the English league. Rombo, 23, a political science graduate of the University of Nairobi, recently led his home club to the Kenya Cup.

Tennis

Ninth seed Joel Finnigan of Scottsdale, Ariz. defeated sixth-seeded Warren Fulgenzi 6-4, 6-3 to capture the men's singles title of the U.S. National Amateur championships at the Concord Hotel at Kiamesha Lake, N.Y. Mark Sigalove of Elyria, Ohio and Jon Venison of London, England topped Finnigan and Brett Field of South Africa 6-3, 6-4 to win the doubles title.

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#90230u1561 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - The situation in the Middle East took a turn for the worst today as the frigate U-S-S Reid fired warning shots across the bow of an Iraqi tanker that refused orders to stop in the Gulf of Oman. The warning shots were the first use of force by American troops deployed in the Middle East after Iraq's August 2nd invasion of Kuwait. But the Iraqi News Agency says the shots did NOT deter the ship from its course.

The shots punctuate a day of escalating tensions in the Middle East.

Earlier, Baghdad threatened it would use foreign nationals held in Iraq and Kuwait as a human shield to discourage U-S attacks. An Iraqi Labor Ministry also warned that foreigners would be among the first to suffer if the U-S-led blockade succeeds in cutting off food and medical supplies. The White House reportedly is pressing the U-N Security Council to discuss the fate of the foreigners.

Officials in Tomah, Wisconsin, are keeping a careful eye on two dams strained by rains that sent floodwater up to three feet deep in some parts of the town. Fire Chief Tom Flock says a small hole was discovered in the corner of one dam. 700 people were evacuated as a precaution. Thunderstorms also caused flooding today in parts of Illinois and Indiana.

There's still NO sign of a verdict in the New York trial of three teens accused of raping and trying to beat to death a woman jogger in Central Park. The jury today reheard the testimony of a detective who questioned one defendant following last year's brutal attack. The panel of 10 men and two women appeared exhausted in their tenth day of deliberation.

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#90230u1563 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - Employees of Hillsborough County, Florida, have received permission to carry mace to protect themselves against residents who are irate about a new proposed utility tax. In a published interview today, county engineer Mike McCarthy says a number of people stormed out of recent meetings focusing on the controversial tax and said they were going home to get weapons. The proposed tax would apply to all homes and businesses in the rural portion of the country.

Former Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto returned to her country's capital today for the first time since she was fired two weeks ago. Bhutto told a crowd of some 15-thousand people in Islamabad that she will legally fight for her right to stay in office and said it up to the people- NOT the president- to decide who should rule Pakistan. The president ousted Bhutto on charges of corruption.

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#90230u1604 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

JACKSBORO, TX (AUG. 19) UPI - The wife of one of the 35 Americans held under armed guard by Iraq says she is upset that President Bush is enjoying a golfing vacation while her husband's whereabouts remain unknown.

''My husband's not on vacation. My husband is not having recreation time. And I want him home,'' said Margie Walterscheid, the wife of oilfield worker Rainard Walterscheid. She has not spoken with her husband since before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

Her husband had been scheduled - before the invasion - to return to the family home west of Fort Worth from his Mideast stint this weekend, she said.

Irritated by unflattering pictures and soundbites of him vacationing in Maine as tensions escalate in the Persian Gulf, the president snapped at reporters Saturday at a golf course. Bush's self-proclaimed 25-day working vacation is in its second week.

Asked by reporters if he had been in touch with the White House situation room yet, Bush snapped, ''I talk to them every morning at 5:30 and, I'm not going to take any more comments up here, though. Let's go.''

With that, the president ignored a question about the fate of Americans in Iraq and Kuwait, turned around with a huff and hooked his drive on the first hole into the rough.

''I just don't like taking questions on serious matters on my vacation,'' Bush told reporters later Saturday.

Mrs. Walterscheid, her voice quavering, said she is angry the president has placed so much importance on not letting the crisis ruin his vacation.

A State Department spokesman Friday said the Iraqis told U.S. officials that the 35 Americans were moved from the Hotel El Rashid, where they had been held under armed guard, to another hotel, the Melia-Monsour, but the U.S. Embassy could not confirm that since U.S. officials were denied entry to the hotel.

Mrs. Walterscheid said she considers the 35 Americans to be hostages, a word the Bush administration has avoided using, contending such talk would escalate tensions.

''I said that (the American are hostages) two weeks ago,'' she said. ''They took these men for a reason.''

Mrs. Walterscheid said Saturday night that she had not heard from the State Department since Friday morning.

She said she wishes U.S. military forces had remained outside the region until her husband and the other Americans could be freed.

''These people (the Americans still in Iraq) should have been out before we went in,'' she said. ''But, by God, my opinion and the opinion of the other families doesn't mean a hill of beans. I'm terribly upset.''

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#90230u1616 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

SOWETO, South Africa (AUG. 19) UPI - Army troops joined police in efforts to quell factional fighting Saturday that has left more than 240 dead and about 1,000 wounded in six days of butchering in Soweto and other black townships on Johannesburg's outskirts.

In the eastern township of Thokoza, where fighting first ignited Monday, a white pickup truck already loaded with five bodies trailed a police personnel carrier, stopping to take on the bodies of two more victims of the bloodletting, witnesses said. Police said the fatalities were among 14 killed in Thokoza Saturday.

Police Commissioner Gen. Johan van der Merwe announced the deployment of ''strong contingents'' of army troops in Soweto, the nation's most densely populated black city southwest of Johannesburg, to support police in trying to keep the factions apart.

Black army troops began arriving by midafternoon aboard personnel carriers taking up positions outside barrack-style hostels for migrant Zulu workers who support the Zulu movement Inkatha led by Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

Since Monday, at least 241 people have been killed in mostly hand-to-hand clashes between the Zulus armed with machetes, spears and hatchets and rival ''comrades'' of the African National Congress, which includes Xhosas.

Despite Buthelezi's repeated calls to meet ANC Deputy President Nelson Mandela for a peace summit that many South Africans believe could help defuse the crisis, senior ANC leader Walter Sisulu told state-run television Saturday a meeting between the two men would be ''a most disastrous approach.''

He accused Inkatha of launching ''a war to bring us to our knees. For that type of thing (meeting) we are not prepared.''

Police put the death toll in Soweto since Thursday at 63, with 352 injured and 178 killed in the eastern Township of Thokoza since Monday. State-run radio said 24 people in Soweto were in critical condition.

At least 14 people were reported killed Saturday in Soweto, police said. Many township roads, especially in areas surrounding the Zulu hostels, were barricaded with rocks and other debris by ANC supporters, and residents reported hearing shooting into the night.

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Police also deployed reinforcements further south in the white conservative towns of Vereeniging and Welkom, where blacks of nearby townships marched into town centers Saturday in protest against township living conditions.

In Welkom, armed white extremists of the Afrikaner Resistance Movement stood inside the properties of white residents along the 3-mile route. One 16-year-old among the 3,000 marchers was shot in the left arm by an arrow from a crossbow, police said, but no other incidents were reported.

In Vereeniging, about 50 miles south of Johannesburg, about 10,000 blacks marched into the town. White residents watched from the sidelines but no incidents were reported.

The fighting spread to various districts of Soweto on Thursday after clashes in three townships east in Johannesburg erupted Monday. Analysts blamed the spread of the internecine strife, once confined to the Indian Ocean province of Natal, on a combination of tribal rivalries between Zulus and Xhosas and Buthelezi's attempts to carve out his power base in advance of formal negotiations with the government on a post-apartheid constitution.

Both ANC leader Nelson Mandela and Buthelezi have condemned the violence and traded accusations over culpability. But efforts by President Frederik de Klerk, Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok and Mandela on Thursday to halt the bloodshed through a ''peace forum'' have failed to take hold.

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#90230u1629 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - The Pentagon is confirming two incidents today in which a total of nine shots were fired across the bows of two Iraqi tankers that refused to stop. The shots were fired by U-S Navy warships in the Persian Gulf and further south in the Gulf of Oman. The Pentagon says both Iraqi tankers are under Navy surveillance. Iraq described the move as ''a breach of international law.''

In Kennebunkport, Maine, a spokesman for a vacationing President Bush says

Bush is ''deeply concerned'' about Americans and other foreign nationals in Iraq. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater also terms ''totally unacceptable'' Iraq's announcement late yesterday that it would hold Americans and other foreign nationals until the threat of war has ended.

A Salvadoran Army spokesman says government soldiers killed nine rebels in an attack on guerrilla strongholds today... as government and rebel negotiators were meeting for U-N-mediated peace talks in Costa Rica. At the talks, rebels demanded the government disclose everything it knows about the Novemer 16th slaying of six Jesuit priests. Rebels are also asking the government to abolish the military as a way to end El Salvador's decade-old civil war.

Fish were seen swimming across a Chicago-area road today after thunderstorms triggered flash floods in portions of the Midwest. The storms also produced lightning that knocked out power for up to 20-thousand homes in the Chicago area. Heavy storms also socked Wisconsin, where officials in Tomah evacuated residents living near a dam after eight inches of rain fell in less than two hours.

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#90230u1642 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE U.S.A.:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	87	57	....
Anchorage r	59	52	.11
Asheville pc	89	66	.01
Atlanta sy	95	73	....
Baltimore pc	88	66	....
Billings pc	79	54	.68
Birmingham vh	102	73	.14
Bismarck cy	67	59	.15
Boston cy	90	70	....
Brownsville pc	95	78	....
Buffalo cy	80	66	.02
Burlington Vt. pc	88	66	.04
Charleston S.C.pc	87	76	....
Charlotte pc	91	71	....
Chicago ts	91	70	2.86
Cincinnati pc	91	69	.10
Cleveland sh	82	70	.03
Columbus Ohio pc	87	70	.03
Dallas sy	97	77	....
Denver pc	81	54	.01
Des Moines ts	92	73	....
Detroit sh	84	71	....

Duluth cy	59	55	2.75
El Paso pc	92	67	....
Evansville sy	95	71	....
Fargo cy	73	68	.16
Hartford cy	92	70	....
Honolulu sy	90	77	....
Houston pc	99	73	....
Indianapolis pc	91	70	....
Jackson Miss. sy	99	71	....
Jacksonville sy	95	71	....
Kansas City ts	91	77	....
Louisville sy	96	70	....
Memphis hz	97	77	....
Miami Beach ts	91	75	....
Milwaukee ts	90	69	2.24
Minneapolis ts	75	68	.25
Nashville hz	98	71	.02
New Orleans pc	93	74	.94
New York cy	89	72	....
Oklahoma City pc	93	72	.30
Omaha cy	94	74	....
Orlando ts	94	74	.24
Philadelphia sh	88	69	....
Phoenix sy	103	81	....
Pittsburgh sh	79	65	....
Portland Me. pc	86	65	....
Portland Ore. cy	79	60	....
Providence cy	89	69	....
Richmond pc	89	66	....
St. Louis pc	94	77	....
Salt Lake City pc	90	61	.02
San Antonio pc	94	78	....
San Diego pc	73	67	....
San Francisco pc	71	60	....
San Juan pc	89	76	.07
Seattle cy	71	59	.08
Spokane sh	71	57	....
Tampa ts	92	76	.11
Washington pc	87	70	....
Wichita pc	94	74	....

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

vh-veryhot

w-windy

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#90230u1832 08/18/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 18) UPI - The five permanent members of the U-N Security Council are meeting tonight. They're considering a resolution submitted by the United States demanding that Iraq allow foreigners to leave Iraq and Kuwait.

Services were held today in West Covina, California, for John Campisi- the first casualty of the ''Operation Desert Shield'' deployment ordered by President Bush. The air force staff sargeant was hit by a truck in Saudia Arabia six days ago.

Three teen-agers face five to 10 years in jail when they are sentenced next month for taking part in the beating and gang-rape of a jogger in New York's Central Park last year. The trio was cleared of attempted murder by a jury that reached a verdict tonight.

One of the jurors began sobbing as the verdict was read, interrupting the tense silence in the Manhattan courtroom. Outside the courtroom, the father of one defendant broke into uncontrollable sobs.

Mick Jagger met with Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel before the

Rolling Stones performed in Prague tonight. A sellout crowd heard Jagger and the Rolling Stones perform their first concert in Czechoslovakia.

President Bush today signed into law a bill providing federal funds to battle AIDS. The measure is named in honor of Ryan White, the teen-ager who fought discrimination against AIDS victims before his death in April.

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#90230u1833 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - Police in Kansas City, Missouri, say they do NOT have any suspects in a fatal shooting that followed a rap conert last night. A teen-ager was shot in a parking lot at Kemper Arena after leaving a performance by Public Enemy.

A Fayette County, Pennsylvania, man faces a year in prison and the promise of more time if he fails to pay about 40-thousand dollars in back income taxes. A judge described Christopher MacGregor as ''more fool than criminal.''

An eastern Washington mother of six is hospitalized in critical but stable condition in Spokane- the Northwest's first heart-lung transplant recipient. Lynn Long, who suffers from emphysema, underwent surgery today in Spokane.

Musician Wynton Marsalis says he'll remember Pearl Bailey as ''the best that the world has to offer.'' The entertainer whose singing and dancing career spanned seven decades died in Philadelphia last night at the age of 72.

Services are scheduled in Troy, New York, Monday for a judge appointed to the federal bench by President Harry Truman in 1949. U-S District Judge James Foley died yesterday at the age of 80... five days after suffering a stroke.

Authorities say a man who jumped from the Brooklyn Bridge today NOT only survived the fall, but landed near a police boat. The man was saved within minutes in a rescue described by one New York police officer as ''pretty amazing.''

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#90230u1941 08/18/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 18) UPI - The U-S representative to the United Nations, Tomas Pickering, voiced what others in the Bush administration have avoided saying as the U-N Security Council met tonight. Pickering says it is clear that Iraq intends to- quoting here- ''hold hostage all foreigners'' in Iraq and Kuwait. The administration has NOT used the term ''hostage'' to

describe the thousands of Americans and other foreign citizens trapped in Iraq. The council met to consider a resolution demanding Iraq allow foreigners to leave. Earlier, Baghdad announced it is moving foreigners to vital installations as a human shield against U-S attack.

A trial that had racial tensions running high ended tonight in New York City. A jury deliberated 10 days before finding three teen-agers guilty of beating and raping a jogger in Central Park. However, Yusef Salaam, Antron McCray and Raymond Santana were found innocent of attempted murder. Supporters of the defendants shouted ''devil'' at the lead prosecutor as she left the courtroom after the verdict... but a handful of women screamed ''thank you.''

South African authorities today called out Army troops to help police try to put down bloody factional fighting in Soweto and other black townships. Black army troops began arriving by midafternoon in Soweto, where they took up positions outside hostels for migrant Zulu workers. Since Monday, at least 234 people have been killed in street clashes between the Zulus and African National Congress supporters.

In Wisconsin, officials in Tomah evacuated about 15-hundred people today after the small town was socked by more than eight inches of rain overnight. Most of the evacuees were given the order to leave after authorities discovered a small hole in the Tomah Dam. The town's mayor says there have been NO injuries reported in the flooding, which left part of the town under as much as three feet of water.

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#90230u1944 08/18/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 18) UPI - President Bush signed a landmark anti-pollution bill today that includes a measure imposing a moratorium on oil and natural gas exploration off North Carolina's outer banks. In a statement, Bush said the moratorium was ''ill-advised'' in the face of a new world-wide oil shortage triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. The president says his administration will work to repeal the portion of the bill that calls for the ban.

In Yugoslavia, the republic of Croatia today moved one step closer to civil war as Serbians readied a hilltop stronghold to protect themselves from a possible attack by government forces. They say the government might attack to block a planned referendum tomorrow on autonomy for the republic's minority Serbs. The Croatian government has labeled the Serbian bid for autonomy as ''armed open insurrection'' and ''terrorism.''

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#90231d4470 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAMMU, India (AUG. 19) - Authorities relaxed a curfew in Kashmir's summer capital Sunday, one day after six people died in the disputed Indian state in violence linked to a bloody Moslem secessionist campaign.

Shops opened and did brisk business, while private and public transport returned to the streets in Srinagar city during the 12-hour curfew break, officials said here in Jammu and Kashmir's winter capital.

Army and paramilitary troops kept up a high-profile presence in Srinagar, the Moslem-majority summer capital and urban hub of the militant campaign to secede Kashmir from India.

Srinagar has been under a constant curfew since the beginning of this year.

Security forces gunned down four Moslem militants after they sneaked into India from neighbouring Pakistan late Saturday, officials said. All died in Uri sector, on Kashmir's heavily-guarded border with Pakistan.

Moslem gunmen also shot and killed two Moslem civilians accused of being police informers overnight Saturday in Baramulla town, 53 kilometers (33 miles) from Srinagar, the officials said.

At least 15 policemen and an unspecified number of Moslem rebels were wounded in sporadic gunbattles across Srinagar city late Saturday. Four federal para-military troopers were said to be in critical condition.

Armed clashes between Moslem militants, who New Delhi says are trained by Pakistan, and Indian security forces have become routine in Jammu and Kashmir, India's only Moslem-majority state.

India and Pakistan dispute Kashmir, and have fought two of their three wars over the province.

The latest deaths have pushed the death toll in Kashmir's homeland campaign this year to at least 1,146.

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#90231d4480 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LIMA (AUG. 19) - The government of President Alberto Fujimori has decreed a 300-per-cent increase in private-sector salaries, following more than a week of unrest over its draconian economic austerity measures.

Labor Minister Carlos Torres announced the decree Saturday, some 10 days after the government mandated dramatic price hikes of as much as 3,000 per cent as part of its plan to control rampant inflation.

Saturday's decree raised the minimum monthly salary from 4,000,000 intis to

16,000,000 intis -- the equivalent of some 50 U.S. dollars, Mr. Torres said.

In his announcement, Mr. Torres acknowledged that the increased salary would not cover the cost of living for one month, which currently is estimated at 87,000,000 intis, or about 270 U.S. dollars. But he said a minimum salary set any higher would threaten to raise inflation and bankrupt many small businesses.

"It is not the salary that the government wants to give, rather what can be given," he said, adding that improved wages and salaries could be expected after Peru resolves its economic crisis.

Mr. Fujimori's anti-inflation plan, implemented August 9, drove up food prices between 400 and 1,000 per cent and sent the price of gasoline up 3,000 per cent -- the same as Peru's annual inflation rate last year.

Friday, the government increased rates on electrical, water, telephone and postal services by 2,000 to 3,000 per cent.

Pablo Checa, an official of the Peruvian Workers General Confederation (CGTP) -- the nation's largest labor central -- called the wage hike a form of "genocide" and warned that the CGTP would launch a two-day general strike beginning August 21.

"This salary adds fuel to the flame of popular discontent," he said.

Union leaders Saturday said police still held about 400 workers and union leaders detained Thursday during a so-called Day of National Protest against the austerity plan.

Mr. Torres said the new salary increase would take effect for August paychecks and that another pay hike would be necessary in September.

He also said the government's austerity measures would trigger "certain recession" and the closing of inefficient businesses.

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#90231d4530 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 19) - The Egyptian air force continued Sunday to transport military units to Saudi Arabia for use in accordance with the August 10 resolution of the Arab League summit conference in Cairo, the Egyptian news agency Mena reported.

Together with other Arab and Islamic units, the Egyptian troops were taking part in the defence of the holy sites, under Saudi Arabian command.

No information was given as to the strength of the forces dispatched so far. Political observers estimated that several thousand Egyptian soldiers are in Saudi Arabia.

Meanwhile Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister, Prince Saud al Faisal, met in Cairo with his Egyptian opposite number, Esmat Abdel Meguid, following a meeting with President Hosny Mubarak.

No details were officially given, except that Faisal's talks were taking place within the regular consultations after the Iraqi invasion in Kuwait.

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#90231d4560 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (AUG. 19) - A new draft constitution for Nepal recommends Hinduism as the state religion, describing the country as a Hindu Kingdom, drafting commission sources said here Sunday.

The nine-member Constitution Recommendation Commission, headed by Supreme Court justice Biswo Nath Upadhyaya, made the recommendation in a completed confidential draft of the new constitution, the sources said.

Apart from the provisions on religion, the draft recommends the introduction of a constitutional monarchy and a two-chamber legislative assembly, the sources said.

Officially, all the proceedings of the commission are secret but the draft document has been leaked by delegates from the Nepali Congress and the Nepal Communist Party.

The choice of a state religion was one of the most controversial issues facing the commission, as Buddhists and other non-Hindu groups were pushing to have Nepal declared a secular state in the constitution.

Buddhists here claim to represent some 54 per cent of the total population.

However, the World Hindu Organization and some 20 other Hindhu groups had threatened to take to the streets in protest if the commission agreed to call the country a secular state.

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#90231d4670 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 19) - Iraqi authorities have adopted a "benevolent" attitude to Soviet officials preparing the evacuation of Soviet women and children from Iraq, a Soviet Foreign ministry official said according to TASS reports Sunday.

Earlier indications of Iraq's careful handling of Soviet expatriates came from evacuees arriving in Moscow Saturday saying they had been well-treated before leaving Iraq.

The evacuation of Soviets resident in Iraq, supervised by a group led by Soviet First Deputy Prime Minister Igor Belusov, was expected to begin "within the next few days", the agency quoted the official as saying.

On Sunday 166 Soviets were still in Kuwait after the evacuation of several hundred from the emirate on Saturday.

The first contingent of some 226 Soviet nationals flew Aeroflot from Amman to Moscow Saturday.

A second group of 123 was due to leave Baghdad for Amman on Sunday morning, from where they would be flown to Moscow Monday.

Some 363 more left Kuwait for Baghdad Saturday, accompanied by 29 Palestinians, Jordanians and Italians, the agency reported.

According to official Soviet sources, there were some 882 Soviets in Kuwait and 7,791 in Iraq when Iraq invaded its Gulf neighbour on August 2.

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#90231d4680 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (AUG. 19) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein issued Sunday a five-point initiative calling for U.N. guarantees that the foreign troops brought to the Gulf region will be withdrawn in exchange for freeing the foreign nationals held in Iraq, and said the Kuwait question should be solved within the framework of the Arab countries.

In a statement read over Iraqi television and radio stations by an announcer, Saddam expressed his regret over the foreigners being ''hosted'' in Iraq but justified his action by saying they were there to avoid any ''destruction'' or attacks against the Iraqis.

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#90231d4700 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 19) - A French envoy discussed the Gulf crisis sparked off by Iraq's occupation of Kuwait with Indian President Ramaswamy Venkataraman here Sunday, officials said.

Jean Lecanuet met Mr. Venkataraman at the presidential palace for some 30 minutes and exchanged views on the situation in the Middle East, the officials said. No further details were available.

Mr. Lecanuet, a special envoy of President Francois Mitterrand, met Indian Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh after flying here Saturday. He is due to return Sunday night.

Mr. Lecanuet is here to brief Indian leaders about France's position on the Gulf crisis.

Both India and France have condemned Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90231d4760 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (AUG. 19) - Some 5,000 Iranians who had been residing in Kuwait arrived in Iran Sunday after travelling through Iraqi territory, the official Iranian news agency IRNA reported here.

The group crossed into the southwestern border region of Shalamsha.

A first contingent of Iranians from Kuwait reached the southern town of Shiraz early Wednesday after an automobile journey through northeast Saudi Arabia.

The Iranian community in Kuwait prior to the Iraqi invasion totalled 60,000.

One Iranian who returned home Sunday, Hasan Hamezi, told IRNA that two weeks after Iraq's August 2 invasion "sporadic gunfire could still be heard on the streets ... of Kuwait city."

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#90231d5330 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 19) - A rocket attack on the Afghan capital of Kabul killed six people and wounded 14 Sunday, Afghan state radio reported.

The Moslem resistance fighting the pro-Soviet regime in Kabul was blamed for the attack, the radio said.

Fighting continued meanwhile to the west and north of the capital, in Paghman and Parwan respectively, according to communiques issued Sunday in Pakistan by MIDIA, the rebel government agency.

The strategic Salang road linking the Soviet Union to Kabul was closed to traffic following "combined operations" led since August 11 by the forces of the northern council of commander Massoud in Parwan province and others.

Twenty two tanks and 131 military vehicles were "put out of service," according to guerrillas who said 54 soldiers were killed during an attack

on a government convoy.

Moreover, MIDIA said the rebels made advances in Paghman region, one of the areas from which the guerrillas regularly fire rockets on Kabul. The Afghan government said recently it had dislodged the rebels from this region.

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#90231d5430 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ALGIERS (AUG. 19) - OPEC countries are holding consultations on a Saudi request to hold an extraordinary meeting of the 13-member organization of oil exporters, a source close to OPEC president Saddek Boussena said here Sunday.

Five countries had officially come out in favor of an OPEC meeting: Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Venezuela, the United Arab Emirates and Qatar, the source close to Mr. Boussena, the Algerian minister of industry and mines, said.

The source said that a majority of members of the Organization of Oil Exporting Countries favored holding an extraordinary session but that differences remained on setting a date for the meeting.

The president of OPEC can call a session at the request of seven of the 13 members.

Saudi Arabia has officially requested a special session of OPEC to study the consequences of the embargo against Iraq and Kuwait, both OPEC members, on oil markets.

Iraq, which invaded Kuwait on August 2 and annexed the oil-rich emirate, has said it was opposed to such a meeting, describing it as useless.

The last OPEC meeting was held in Geneva in July.

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#90231d5680 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CARACAS (AUG. 19) - India has asked Venezuela to supply 14,000 barrels of oil a day for processing in its refineries pinched by the Gulf crisis, government officials said Sunday.

Indian Ambassador to Venezuela Gurcharan Sing made the request, equivalent to more than 2,000 tonnes a day.

India imports an annual 7.9 million tonnes of oil from Iraq and Kuwait. But as a result of the U.N. economic blockade imposed after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, India will have a deficit of 1.7 million tonnes for August and September, officials said.

Venezuela has said it was prepared to increase its oil production by 500,000 barrels a day for export to the United States.

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#90231d5780 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (AUG. 19) - The United Arab Emirates agreed to receive forces from some ''Arab and friendly countries'' as a contribution to Arab and international efforts to defend the Gulf region, Wam news agency quoted foreign ministry sources here as saying Sunday.

''The Uae agreed to recieve forces from some Arab and friendly countries to participate in Arab and international efforts aimed at the defence of the area,'' Wam quoted the sources as saying.

The decision came ''in the light of the developments in the Gulf region and in compliance with the Arab League and U.N. conventions, the Arab joint defence accord and Arab economic cooperation'', the sources were quoted as adding by the Uae news agency.

The move was also in line with a U.N. Security Council resolution on the situation in the Gulf area and with the decision of the Cairo Arab League emergency summit August 9-10, the source said. Wam gave no details of the size or nationality of the forces.

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#90231d5810 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 19) - The United States Sunday maintained its demand for an immediate and unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

The demand came in response to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's offer to release foreigners in exchange for a pull out from the Gulf by U.S. and allied forces.

There was no immmediate official White House comment on Mr. Hussein's statement but a presidential spokesman, Doug Davidson, stressed that U.S. policy toward the crisis remained unchanged.

The United States demanded a "complete, immediate and unconditional" withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait, Mr. Davidson said.

Mr. Hussein proposed allowing foreigners in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait to leave if President George Bush agreed to make a written commitment to withdraw U.S. forces and those of his allies from Arab territories.

The Iraqi leader also proposed an end to a commercial, financial and arms

embargo against Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait which was approved August 6 by the U.N. Security Council. But his plan made no mention of an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Since Iraq overran Kuwait August 2, annexed it and began massing troops along the Saudi-Kuwaiti border, the United States has deployed warships to the Gulf and thousands of troops to Saudi Arabia.

Last week, U.S. warships began enforcing a U.N.-mandated embargo against Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Mr. Bush was to discuss the latest developments in the Gulf crisis with his advisers when he returned to Washington late Sunday.

The U.S. leader was scheduled to return to his holiday home at Kennebunkport Monday after delivering an address on the crisis in Baltimore, near Washington, at a meeting of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

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#90231d6060 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 19) - The White House Sunday disavowed the word "hostages" to describe the estimated 2,600 U.S. citizens whom Iraqi authorities have prevented from leaving Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Thomas Pickering, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, used the taboo word Saturday, telling reporters at U.N. headquarters in New York that an Iraqi Government statement earlier in the day indicated Iraqi President Saddam Hussein "was going to hold hostage all foreigners."

But Sunday, U.S. officials accompanying President George Bush on a vacation here stressed that Mr. Pickering was not speaking for the U.S. Government when he made his comments.

Saturday, Baghdad announced it would "retain" nationals of "hostile" nations at vital installations in Iraq and Kuwait until the threat of war was lifted.

The Iraqi statement was issued as thousands of U.S. troops continued to arrive in Saudi Arabia and as U.S. warships and planes were deployed to the Middle East.

Mr. Bush ordered the massive deployment after Iraqi troops overran its small, oil-rich neighbor August 2 and began gathering along the Kuwaiti-Saudi border.

Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Mr. Bush wanted to avoid using the word "hostage" to avoid increasing Baghdad's bargaining power over the

eventual release of U.S. citizens in Iraq and Kuwait.

Observers said another reason for U.S. officials avoiding the word was that Mr. Bush did not want to lose any of the consensus that has been generated by his firm policy toward Iraq. Polls show three Americans in four support his actions.

Many analysts attribute much of the political misfortune of former U.S. president Jimmy Carter, who lost his 1980 re-election bid, to his handling of the case of the U.S. citizens held hostage in Iran for 444 days.

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The United States demands a "complete, immediate and unconditional" withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait, Mr. Davidson said.

U.S. officials have told U.S. citzens trapped in Kuwait and Iraq to stay where they are but not to resist if they are rounded up by the Iraqi authorities, a senior U.S. official said Sunday.

Robert Kimmit, under secretary of state for political affairs, told a television interviewer, "Our first concern is to protect American lives."

(Sunday, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said in a statement announced in Baghdad he was detaining tens of thousands of foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait in a bid to open a dialogue with nations Iraq considered hostile.

(He offered to release the foreigners in exchange for a U.S. military withdrawal from the region and a settlement of the Kuwaiti issue "in a strictly Arab framework.")

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, currently visiting U.S. forces in the region, told one U.S. television network, "We hope that through diplomatic means we will be able to secure their release."

Mr. Cheney refused to speculate about possible U.S. action but noted that

Washington had "a wide range of options" available.

He refused to speculate on whether U.S. forces sent to the Gulf would be constrained by the placing of U.S. citizens and other foreigners at potential targets.

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#90231d6140 08/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (AUG. 19) - Israeli troops shot and wounded 11 Palestinians on Sunday when they opened fire to disperse pro-Iraqi demonstrations in several parts of the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip, Arab sources said.

Pro-Iraqi demonstrations have rocked the occupied territories in the aftermath of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, with many Palestinians hailing the Iraqi president, Saddam Hussein, as a hero of Arab nationalism.

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#90231e0024 08/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
NICOSIA (AUG. 19) EFE - Baghdad agreed Sunday to allow citizens of Switzerland, Sweden, Finland, Austria and Portugal to leave Iraq and Kuwait, while vowing to hold thousands of other Westerners until the United States withdrew its forces from the Gulf region and ended the trade blockade.

In a statement to the Iraqi news agency INA, a government spokesman said the citizens were being released as a "good will gesture" because their countries had sent neither troops nor arms to the region.

He did not say how many people were to be freed.

Less than an hour earlier President Saddam Hussein, in an open letter to the families of detained Westerners, said the foreigners would remain trapped "until the end of the crisis" for "the good of humanity" to prevent war and to open a peace dialogues.

The statement outlined a five-step plan to insure +complete and comprehensive peace+ which included a United Nations resolution for foreign forces to withdraw from the region within weeks.

If the U.N. did not adopt a measure, Iraq said it would accept a "written and unambiguous" statement from U.S. President George Bush pledging a complete withdraw of troops and an immediate end to the trade blockade.

Among the tens of thousands of Westerners stranded in Iraq and Kuwait, are 5,000 Britons and 3,000 Americans.

The statement came hours after the Iraqi Foreign Ministry ordered all Westerners and Australians in Kuwait to report to three hotels.

"As a measure designed to guarantee the lives of Westerners and Australians living in the Iraqi cities of Kuwait, Al-Nidaa and Al-Jahrah these people should gather at the following hotels: Hyatt Regency,

Meridien and International," INA quoted an Interior Ministry spokesman as saying.

"Those who do not heed this request will be responsible, along with their respective governments, for any aggression that could result from the forces of aggressors," said the spokesman.

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#90231e0027 08/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

AVILA, Spain (AUG. 19) EFE - A bomb exploded on a railway in central Spain Sunday, injuring no one but prompting officials to suspend traffic along the line, an Interior Ministry spokesman said.

The bomb, planted by suspected Basque separatists, exploded near the town of Adanero, on the line linking Madrid with the northern cities of Valladolid, Leon and Oviedo.

It was the third bomb to explode on a railway since the Basque separatist group ETA threatened on August 13 to bomb Spain's main rail routes.

Sunday's bomb went off only a few meters from the site of one of the other bombs, which exploded Friday. The first bomb exploded Tuesday on the same line, near Leon.

No injuries have resulted from the three bombings.

ETA has killed more than 600 people since it took up arms in 1968 to win the right to independence of the Basque region of northern Spain.

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#90231f0277 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

(1st game)

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Johnson cf	5	0	0	0	Pettis cf	5	1	1	0
Fletcher 2b	4	0	1	0	Franco 2b	4	0	0	0
Calderon lf	5	0	0	0	Palmeiro 1b	3	0	2	0
Pasqua dh	5	0	1	0	Sierra rf	6	0	1	1
Thomas 1b	4	0	0	0	Incaviglia lf	4	0	0	0
Lyons 1b	1	0	0	0	Stanley c	3	0	0	0
Karkovice c	5	0	1	0	Petralli c	2	0	0	0
Sosa rf	5	0	1	0	JoRussell dh	3	0	0	0
Grebeck 3b	2	0	0	0	Reimr ph-dh	2	0	1	0
Ventura 3b	1	0	0	0	Buechele 3b	1	0	1	0

Fisk ph	1	0	0	0	Huson 3b	1	0	0	0
Martinez 1b	0	0	0	0	Kunkel ss	3	0	0	0
Guillen ss	5	0	1	0	Daughrty ph	1	0	0	0
					Green ss	0	0	0	0
Totals	43	0	5	0	Totals	38	1	6	1

Chicago 000 000 000 000 0- 0
Texas 000 000 000 000 1- 1

DP-Chicago 2, Texas 1. LOB-Chicago 6, Texas 12. 3B-Pettis. S-Franco.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Hibbard	8	2	0	0	3	6
Jones	2	2	0	0	0	2
Radinsky	0	0	0	0	2	0
Thigpen	2	0	0	0	2	3
Pall (L 2-5)	0	2	1	1	2	0
Texas						
Ryan	10	3	0	0	0	15
Arnsberg	2 1-3	2	0	0	1	0
Rogers (W 5-5)	2-3	0	0	0	0	1

Radinsky pitched to 2 batters in the 11th.

HBP-by Ryan (Grebeck), by Hibbard (Buechele). T-3:22., Umpires-Home, McClelland; 1b, Merrill; 2b, Denkinger; 3b, Shulock.

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(2nd game)

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Bradley lf	4	0	0	0	Pettis cf	4	0	0	0
Johnson cf	4	1	1	0	Franco 2b	4	0	2	0
Calderon dh	4	0	1	1	Palmeiro 1b	4	0	1	0
Pasqua rf	3	0	0	0	Sierra rf	4	1	1	0
Sosa rf	1	0	0	0	Baines dh	3	0	0	0
Fisk c	4	1	1	1	JRssll ph-dh	0	0	0	0
Martinez 1b	4	0	0	0	Dghrt ph-dh	1	0	0	0
Ventura 3b	3	1	2	0	Incaviglia lf	4	0	0	0
Fletcher 2b	3	1	1	1	Petralli c	3	1	2	1
Guillen ss	3	0	1	1	Buechele 3b	3	0	1	0
					Huson ss	3	0	1	1
Totals	33	4	7	4	Totals	33	2	8	2

Chicago 130 000 000- 4
Texas 001 100 000- 2

E-Sierra, Johnson, Bradley. DP- Chicago 3, Texas 1. LOB-Chicago 2, Texas 5. 2B-Ventura, Guillen, Sierra. 3B -Johnson. HR-Fisk (13).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Perez (W 11-10)	8	8	2	2	1	9
Thigpen (S 38)	1	0	0	0	0	1
Texas						
Hough (L 10-8)	9	7	4	4	0	4

WP-Perez 2. T-2:52. A-37,432.

Umpires-Home, Merrill; 1b, Denkinger; 2b, Shulock; 3b, McClelland.

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SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	5	0	0	0	Kelly cf	4	0	0	0
Briley rf	1	0	0	0	Sax 2b	4	1	1	0
Cotto rf	1	0	0	0	Azocar lf	4	1	2	0
Griffey cf	3	0	0	0	Hall dh	4	0	1	1
Davis dh	4	0	0	0	Maas 1b	4	0	1	0
Leonard lf	4	0	0	0	Nokes c	2	1	1	0
O'Brien 1b	2	1	0	0	Cerone ph	1	0	0	0
Martinez 3b	4	1	2	2	Geren c	0	0	0	0
Bradley c	3	0	1	0	Barfield rf	3	0	1	0
Valle ph	1	0	0	0	Velarde 3b	4	0	1	1
Vizquel ss	3	0	1	0	Tolleson ss	3	0	0	0
					Espinoza ss	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	2	4	2	Totals	33	3	8	2

Seattle	000	000	200- 2
New York	100	100	01x- 3

E-Martinez, Velarde. DP-New York 1. LOB-Seattle 8, New York 8. 2B-Sax, Hall, Maas, Azocar. HR-Martinez (10).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Swift (L 5-3)	7	8	3	2	1	2
Comstock	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Jackson	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
New York						

Hawkins	6	1-3	2	2	2	5	1
Robinson		1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Guettermn (W 8-4)	1	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Righetti (S 25)		1	1	0	0	1	1

Swift pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

PB-Nokes. T-2:52. A-28,802.

Umpires-Home, Garcia; 1b, Voltaggio; 2b, Scott; 3b, Reilly.

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CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi
Cole Jr cf	4	0	2	0	Phillips 2b	4	0	0	0
Browne 2b	3	0	1	0	Fryman 3b	4	0	1	0
DiJames 1b	3	0	0	0	Trammell ss	4	2	2	0
Maldonado lf	4	0	0	0	Fielder 1b	4	1	3	3
CJames dh	3	0	1	0	Sheets dh	4	0	1	0
Jacoby 3b	4	0	0	0	GWard lf	3	0	0	0
Snyder rf	4	0	0	0	Shelby cf	3	0	1	0
Alomar c	3	0	1	0	Lemon rf	2	0	0	0
Fermin ss	2	0	1	0	Heath c	2	0	0	0
Baerga ss	1	0	0	0					
Totals	31	0	6	0	Totals	30	3	8	3

Cleveland	000 000 000- 0
Detroit	000 102 00x- 3

E-Morris. DP-Detroit 1. LOB- Cleveland 7, Detroit 5. 2B-Alomar, Fielder.
HR-Fielder (38). S-Browne.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Candiotti (L 12-8)	8	8	3	3	1	7
Detroit						
Morris (W 10-15)	9	6	0	0	2	5

HBP-by Candiotti (Lemon). T-2:18. A -21,286.

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, McCoy; 2b, Phillips; 3b, Meriweather.

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OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi

RHendrsn dh	3	1	1	1	Anderson cf	4	0	0	0
Lansford 3b	5	1	2	2	Finley rf	4	0	1	0
DHendrsn cf	5	0	2	0	CRipken ss	4	1	1	1
McGwire 1b	5	1	1	3	Horn dh	4	1	2	1
Canseco rf	4	1	1	0	Orsulak lf	4	0	1	0
Jennings rf	0	0	0	0	Tettleton c	2	1	1	0
Hassey c	3	1	1	0	Wrthngtn 3b	4	0	0	0
Jose lf	5	1	3	1	Segui 1b	4	0	2	1
Weiss ss	4	1	1	0	McKnight 2b	4	0	1	0
Gallego 2b	5	1	1	1					
Totals	39	8	13	8	Totals	34	3	9	3

Oakland 000 070 010- 8
Baltimore 020 000 010- 3

DP-Oakland 2, Baltimore 1. LOB- Oakland 10, Baltimore 6. 2B-Canseco, Lansford, Weiss, DHenderson. HR-Horn (10), McGwire (31), CRipken (15).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Welch (W 20-4)	8	9	3	3	2	3
Eckersley	1	0	0	0	0	0
Baltimore						
Mitchell (L 5-5)	4 2-3	7	7	7	3	2
Schilling	2 1-3	2	0	0	2	3
Price	2	4	1	1	1	1

PB-Hassey. T-2:51. A-45,379.

Umpires-Home, Johnson; 1b, McKean; 2b, Young; 3b, Kaiser.

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CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Polonia lf	4	0	1	0	Reed 2b	4	0	1	0
Hill 3b	4	0	2	0	Quintana 1b	4	0	1	0
Davis rf	4	0	0	0	Boggs 3b	4	0	1	0
Venable rf	0	0	0	0	Burks cf	3	0	1	0
Downing dh	3	0	0	0	Greenwell lf	3	0	0	0
Stevens 1b	4	0	0	0	Evans dh	3	0	0	0
Parrish c	4	0	1	0	Brunnsky rf	3	0	0	0
White cf	4	1	0	0	Pena c	3	0	0	0
Ray 2b	3	0	2	1	Rivera ss	3	0	0	0
Schofield ss	4	0	1	0					
Totals	34	1	7	1	Totals	30	0	4	0

California 000 000 001- 1

Boston 000 000 000- 0

E-Boddicker, Rivera 2. DP-California 1, Boston 1. LOB-California 8, Boston 4. 2B-Ray, Burks. SB-White (14).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Finley (W 16-5)	9	4	0	0	1	5
Boston						
Boddicker (L 11-8)	9	7	1	0	2	9

T-2:36. A-35,107.

Umpires-Home, Tschida; 1b, Brinkman; 2b, Reed; 3b, Cooney.

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TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Felix rf	5	0	1	1	Gladden lf	4	0	0	0
Fernandz ss	4	1	1	0	Liriano 2b	4	0	2	0
Gruber 3b	5	0	3	0	Puckett cf	4	1	1	0
Bell lf	5	1	3	1	Hrbek 1b	4	0	0	0
McGriff 1b	4	2	2	2	Gaetti 3b	3	0	0	0
Olerud dh	5	0	1	0	Bush dh	3	0	1	1
Myers c	4	1	2	1	Larkin rf	3	0	0	0
Williams pr	0	0	0	0	Ortiz c	2	0	0	0
Borders c	1	0	0	0	Moses ph	1	0	0	0
Lee 2b	3	0	1	0	Harper c	0	0	0	0
Wilson cf	4	0	2	0	Newman ss	3	0	1	0
Totals	40	5	16	5	Totals	31	1	5	1

Toronto 000 200 003- 5
Minnesota 000 000 100- 1

DP-Minnesota 1. LOB-Toronto 11, Minnesota 3. 2B-Liriano 2, Puckett, Fernandez, McGriff, Wilson. HR-McGriff (28). SB-Gruber (11), Fernandez (14).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Stieb (W 16-4)	6	2	0	0	0	4
Ward (S 9)	3	3	1	1	0	4
Minnesota						
Erickson (L 3-3)	6 2-3	12	2	2	1	4

Berenguer	2	1-3	4	3	3	2	0

WP-Erickson.

Umpires-Home, Hickox; 1b, Coble; 2b, Evans; 3b, Welke.

T-2:42. A-28,173.

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Seitzer 3b	4	0	0	0	Molitor 1b	3	0	1	0
Pecota ss	3	0	0	0	Surhoff c	4	0	1	1
McRae ph	1	0	1	0	Sheffield 3b	4	0	2	0
Brett dh	4	1	1	1	Parker dh	4	0	1	0
Tartabull rf	3	0	2	0	Yount cf	4	0	0	0
Tabler 1b	3	0	0	0	Deer rf	3	1	2	1
Perry ph	1	0	0	0	Felder rf	0	0	0	0
Eisenreich lf	3	0	0	0	Hamilton lf	2	0	0	0
Wilson cf	3	0	1	0	Gantner 2b	3	0	1	0
White 2b	2	0	0	0	Spiers ss	2	1	0	0
Stillwell ss	1	0	0	0					
Boone c	2	0	0	0					
Macfarlan c	1	0	0	0					
Totals	31	1	5	1	Totals	29	2	8	2

Kansas City 100 000 000- 1
Milwaukee 011 000 00x- 2

DP-Kansas City 2, Milwaukee 1. LOB -Kansas City 4, Milwaukee 6. 2B- Wilson Tartabull. HR-Brett (9), Deer (23). SB-Spiers (7). S-Hamilton.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Gordon (L 8-9)	8	8	2	2	2	7
Milwaukee						
Higuera (W 7-5)	7	4	1	1	1	3
Crim	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Plesac (S 20)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

WP-Gordon. T-2:14. A-27,523.

Umpires-Home, Morrison; 1b, Joyce; 2b, Barnett; 3b, Roe.

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#90231h0094 08/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 19) XINHUA - MORE THAN 100 AMERICAN BLACK GROUPS ANNOUNCED THAT THEY HAVE FORMED A NATIONAL COALITION TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEMS OF TEENAGE PREGNANCY, SCHOOL DROPOUTS AND OTHER CRIPPLING SOCIAL ILLS FACING AFRICAN AMERICANS.

THE NEW GROUP, CALLED THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLACK ORGANIZATIONS, IS THE PRODUCT OF A THREE-DAY CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN BLACK ORGANIZATIONS CLOSED HERE YESTERDAY.

THE COALITION'S MISSION WAS DESCRIBED BY ITS ORGANIZERS AS TO "ADD A NEW DIMENSION TO THE CONTINUING STRUGGLE OF AFRICAN AMERICANS TO GAIN A FAIR SHARE OF THE AMERICAN DREAM."

THE NEW GROUP PLANS TO ESTABLISH A COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK TO SHARE INFORMATION, DEVELOP A BRAIN TRUST TO RESEARCH AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CONCERNS AFFECTING BLACKS, SPREAD EFFECTIVE SELF-HELP INITIATIVES, AND DEVELOP STRATEGIES TO STRENGTHEN SUPPORT OF BLACK INSTITUTIONS.

A NINE-MEMBER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COALITION, CONSISTING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF MAJOR CIVIL RIGHTS, RELIGIOUS AND FRATERNAL GROUPS, WILL MEET WITHIN 12 TO 15 DAYS TO WORK OUT FURTHER DETAILS CONCERNING THE STRUCTURE AND POLICY OF THE ASSOCIATION, ACCORDING TO THE ORGANIZERS.

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#90231p6801 08/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
BRAINTREE, MA (AUG. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ: GROS) announced today that it has begun to solicit revocations of consents from the stockholders of Grossman's in response to the consent solicitation proposal made by Hawaii-based real estate investor Jay H. Shidler and another real estate investor named Robert W. Holman, Jr. On August 8, 1990, Grossman's Board of Directors announced its unanimous opposition to Shidler/Holman's efforts to take control of the Company's board.

Tom Schwarz, President and Chief Operating Officer of Grossman's said, "We believe Shidler/Holman have nothing to offer Grossman's stockholders. They have abandoned an earlier plan, submitted to stockholders just last week, under which they were prepared to implement a sale/leaseback transaction -- that is, to have the Company's real estate sold to a Shidler/Holman affiliate and then leased back to the Company, on unspecified terms -- if no one came forward with a plan that their nominees found to be better for the Company. Shidler/Holman acknowledged in their own materials that conflicts of interest pervaded their plan. This week, they have walked away from their sale/leaseback proposal. Grossman's stockholders should ask themselves: Is this the kind of

leadership Shidler/Holman seek to bring to the Company? By contrast, the present Board of Directors has a consistent and proven record of building this Company's book value and financial strength."

Under the Delaware corporation law, Shidler/Holman's solicitation will be successful only if consents from the holders of record of a majority of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (as of May 30, 1990) are delivered to the Company by October 8, 1990 (unless earlier dated consents are delivered to the Company).

Grossman's, a major retailer of lumber and building materials, operates 156 stores in nine Northeastern states and California.

CONTACT: Stanley Berman of Grossman's 617-848-0100, ext. 2350 or Matthew Anderson or Tom Sanford of Adams & Rinehart, 212-557-0100 for Grossman's.

-30- 2268

#90231u0038 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 19) UPI - The U.N. Security Council voted unanimously Saturday night to demand that Iraq allow foreigners to leave, and the U.S. delegate said he was certain Iraq would ''hold hostage'' thousands of Americans and citizens of other countries.

The council acted after Iraq said it would move foreigners trapped in Iraq and Kuwait - including about 3,000 Americans - to vital Iraqi installations as a human shield against U.S. attack.

''No nation can allow this kind of measure to be taken against their citizens without a fullest response'', said Thomas Pickering, U.S. representative to the United Nations, after the vote.

Pickering also became the first member of the Bush administration to apply the term ''hostage'' to the thousands of Americans and other foreign citizens trapped in Iraq. President Bush has repeatedly refused to use the word, hoping to minimize their value as bargaining chips with Iraq.

''We are now responding to the three steps (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein has taken during the last 24 hours, beginning a process of sequestering foreign nationals, the announcement he is going to use them as military shields and finally the statement this morning in which it was clear he was going to hold hostage all foreigners,'' Pickering told reporters before the council met.

The resolution, drafted during an afternoon meeting of the council's five permanent members - the United States, Soviet Union, Great Britain, France and China - also said Iraq must permit foreign citizens under its authority to contact their embassies.

''Obviously the world is concerned and we expect Saddam Hussein will pay atention to the world,'' Pickering said.

The meeting was the fifth time the Security Council has gathered to discuss the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

The body condemned the Iraqi invasion Aug. 2, just hours after troops rolled over the border into Kuwait.

Later, it unanimously declared ''null and void'' Iraq's annexation of Kuwait.

U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar, who is in Lima, Peru, said he would send two high-ranking diplomats to Baghdad to discuss the situation of the foreign residents. The envoys are expected to arrive in Iraq Monday.

The Security Council meeting was another step reflecting Iraq's growing worldwide isolation and diplomats said the body was inching toward application of Article 42 of the U.N. Charter, which provides for military actions under the umbrella of the United Nations.

It also may strengthen the U.S. argument that it is acting under Article 51 of the Charter that states any nation may act in self-defence, in this case the life and security of thousands of its citizens.

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#90231u0048 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - AL STANDINGS

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	63	55	.534	-	36-20	27-35	4-6	L-3
Toronto	64	56	.533	-	32-29	32-27	6-4	W-2
Baltimore	56	62	.475	7	26-28	30-34	3-7	L-4
Cleveland	56	64	.467	8	32-29	24-35	5-5	L-2
Detroit	56	66	.459	9	28-33	28-33	4-6	W-2
Milwaukee	52	66	.441	11	25-33	27-33	5-5	L-1
New York	48	70	.407	15	25-29	23-41	4-6	W-2
West								
Oakland	77	43	.642	-	40-22	37-21	8-2	W-3
Chicago	68	49	.581	7 1/2	34-26	34-23	4-6	L-1
Texas	62	58	.517	15	33-25	29-33	5-5	W-1
Seattle	60	60	.500	17	32-33	28-27	3-7	L-2
California	60	60	.500	17	32-30	28-30	8-2	W-5
Kansas City	58	61	.487	18 1/2	33-28	25-33	7-3	W-1

Minnesota 55 65 .458 22 29-32 26-33 4-6 L-4

-30- 1050
#90231u0070 08/19/1990 ~United Press International
BRANFORD, CT (AUG. 19) UPI - An Amtrak passenger train headed from Boston to Philadelphia was disabled Saturday night after the locomotive struck a boulder that had rolled onto the tracks, officials said.

No one was injured in the 9 p.m. incident about 12 miles north of New Haven, but passengers on Train 197, the Benjamin Franklin, were delayed for about two hours, said Amtrak spokeswoman Marci Larson.

''A boulder fell onto the track and it fell just as train 197 was coming by,'' she said. ''The boulder hit the front end of the locomotive. There was damage to the locomotive.''

Larson said the train did not derail, but a replacement locomotive from a work train was needed to pull the passenger cars into the New Haven station.

Larson did not know how many people were aboard the train, and said the passengers likely would transfer to another southbound train in New Haven.

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#90231u0088 08/19/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 19) UPI - (All times EDT)

Auto Racing
Brooklyn, Mich. - NASCAR Champion Spark Plug 400

Baseball

American League
California at Boston, 1:05 p.m.
Seattle at New York, 1:30 p.m.
Oakland at Baltimore, 1:35 p.m.
Toronto at Minnesota, 2:15 p.m.
Kansas City at Milwaukee, 2:35 p.m.
Cleveland at Detroit, 3:00 p.m.
Chicago at Texas, 8:05 p.m.

National League
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 2:15 p.m.
Houston at St. Louis, 2:15 p.m.
Atlanta at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Montreal at Los Angeles, 3:05 p.m.

Philadelphia at San Diego, 3:05 p.m.
New York at San Francisco, 8:05 p.m.
Edmonton, Alberta - World Championships

Basketball
Buenos Aires, Argentina - Men's World Championships

Boxing

WBC Welterweight Title
Reno, Nev. - Marlon Starling vs. Maurice Blocker

Heavyweights
Atlantic City, N.J. - Razor Ruddock vs. Kimmuel Odom

Football

NFL Exhibition
Minnesota at Cleveland, 8 p.m.

Golf
Castle Rock, Colo. - PGA The International
New Rochelle, N.Y. - $400,000 LPGA Big Apple Classic
Park City, Utah - U.S. West Showdown Senior Classic

Tennis

Indianapolis - Men's $1 million U.S. Hardcourts Championships
Manhattan Beach, Calif. - Women's $350,000 Virginia Slims of Los Angeles
New Haven, Conn. - Men's $1 million Volvo International

Track and Field
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MANILA, Philippines (AUG. 19) UPI - Armed men shot and killed a police officer and four bombings rocked the capital before dawn Sunday amid threats of another uprising against President Corazon Aquino.

The 159,000-member Armed Forces of the Philippines was placed on maximum alert Friday after fugitive army Col. Gregorio Honasan, leader of right-wing rebels, announced a resumption of hostilities against Aquino.

Police said Capt. Raymundo Venus was riding his motorcycle home Saturday night with his daughter on back when two helmeted men on motorcycles shot him in the head at close range in suburban Quezon City.

Venus was hit twice and died instantly. His daughter was unharmed.

Following the killing, a spate of bombings hit a shopping mall in Quezon City, the RFM food manufacturing company in suburban Pasig, a police outpost about a mile from Aquino's palace and the Department of Justice parking lot in the capital's tourist district.

Police said the bombings between 8 p.m. Saturday and 3 a.m. Sunday smashed windows and building walls. A security guard was injured at RFM, a company owned by the family of Trade Secretary Jose Concepcion.

No one has claimed responsibility for the bombings. Authorities said the ''high-explosive'' bombs were either hurled by people on foot or riding motorcycles or cars.

Concepcion, whose offices were bombed last week, said the latest attacks were not meant to ''harm but to make the perpetrators know they are around.''

''If they think they can scare us we'd like to let them know we will continue doing our job,'' said Justice Secretary Franklin Drillon. His office is prosecuting rebel soldiers.

Honasan, 41, led the Dec. 1-9 coup attempt in which 119 people were killed and more than 500 were wounded. He said last week ''tactical operations'' would resume after Aquino spurned his offer of reconciliation. Aquino has crushed six coup attempts.

The renegade colonel had offered a cease-fire in the face of the July 16 earthquake that devastated wide areas of the northern Philippines and the Persian Gulf conflict that has displaced thousands of Filipino workers in the Middle East.

''If they would stage another coup, we are ready for it,'' said Maj. Gen. Rodolfo Biazon, chief of the National Capital Region Defense Command, during an inspection of 2,500 troops at the armed forces headquarters in Quezon city.

Biazon said he doubted the rebels have the capability to mount another uprising, saying ''the most they can do is (undertake) destabilization moves such as terroristic acts and bombings. It would be foolish of them to try anything.''

Armed forces chief Gen. Renato de Villa who appeared with Biazon called on troops to remain loyal, saying soldiers have a ''duty to protect our country and our people.''

Several dozen bombing incidents have rocked the capital since July 13, causing minor damages but no casualties.

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(AUG. 19) UPI - The U-N Security Council is demanding Iraq allow foreigners to leave. The council acted Saturday night after Iraq announced it would move foreigners- including about three-thousand Americans- trapped in Iraq and Kuwait to vital Iraqi installations as a human shield against possible U-S attack.

Salvadoran rebels want the government to make public the details of its investigation into the November slaying of six Jesuit priests. The government delegation did not immediately comment on the rebel demand made Saturday at U-N-mediated peace talks being held in Costa Rica.

Fish were swimming down at least one Chicago street Saturday after heavy overnight thunderstorms caused flooding in Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana. In Tomah, Wisconsin, police evacuated 15-hundred people after discovering a small hole in a dam. The town's fire chief says he's NOT sure how long the dam will hold.

Operation Push is dismissing as ''inadequate'' Nike's plans to add blacks to high positions in the company. In Chicago, the executive director of the civil rights group says the plans announced Friday by the athletic shoemaker would take too long and fail to adequately address the problem.

Amtrak officials say a passenger train heading from Boston to Philadelphia hit a boulder just after the big rock rolled onto the tracks. NO one was injured in the incident Saturday night about 12 miles north of New Haven, Connecticut. Passengers, however, were stuck on the tracks for about two hours.

Police in New York say a six-year-old boy was hit by a random bullet Saturday while playing with friends on a Manhattan street. The child was taken to a hospital with a bullet wound in his stomach, but his condition is NOT considered life-threatening.

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(AUG. 19) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	70	49	.588	-	34-23	36-26	6-4	W-4
New York	67	50	.573	2	40-22	27-28	5-5	W-1
Montreal	62	57	.521	8	33-23	29-34	7-3	L-3

Philadel.	56	61	.479	13	29-28	27-33	6-4	L-1
Chicago	57	62	.479	13	30-32	27-30	5-5	L-1
St. Louis	55	65	.458	15 1/2	28-36	27-29	5-5	L-1
West								
Cincinnati	68	50	.576	-	35-23	33-27	5-5	L-3
Los Angeles	62	57	.521	6 1/2	34-24	28-33	6-4	W-2
San Fran.	61	58	.513	7 1/2	31-25	30-33	3-7	L-1
San Diego	56	62	.475	12	30-33	26-29	6-4	W-1
Houston	53	67	.442	16	35-25	18-42	4-6	W-1
Atlanta	45	74	.378	23 1/2	25-34	20-40	4-6	W-1

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ITASCA, IL (AUG. 19) UPI - A chain-reaction bus collision Saturday injured 31 people, including five members of a musical group who were on their way to a concert, authorities said.

The accident occurred about noon when a tour bus carrying members of the group Soul II Soul rear-ended another tour bus while slowing in a construction area on Interstate 290, triggering a chain-reaction accident, police said.

Four cars also were involved in the accident, police said.

Ten people, including the five band members, were treated and released from Glen Oaks Medical Center, a nursing supervisor said. Another 11 people were treated and released from Alexian Brothers Medical Center, officials said.

Two other accident victims were taken to Northwest Community Hospital and eight were treated at the accident scene, authorities said.

State Police Trooper Bruce Shimizu said one of the lanes on the interstate was closed for three hours, causing ''considerable backups.''

Soul II Soul canceled the rest of its concert tour after doctors told band leader Jazzy B he had suffered a slight spinal injury in the accident and should rest for at least seven days, said manager Don Taylor.

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(AUG. 19) UPI - Pitcher Jim Key's perseverance has helped the Blue Jays find first place again in the American League East.

Key, 8-6, whose 2.76 ERA for 1987 was tops in the AL, has been hindered by

arthroscopic shoulder surgery performed last October. Saturday, he shut out the Minnesota Twins over seven innings, leading the Blue Jays to a 3-0 victory, Toronto's fourth in five games.

The Blue Jays gained a share of first place with the Boston Red Sox. The two teams were tied for the top spot Aug. 2.

''I'm still not what I used to be,'' Key said. ''I don't know if it's the surgery or what. But I've been throwing pretty good for the last month or so and I'm getting better as I go.''

''That was the best Jimmy has pitched for us this year,'' Toronto Manager Cito Gaston said. ''And it helps to get the bullpen involved. That picks us up.''

Key allowed eighth inning singles to Carmelo Castillo and Kent Hrbek before Tom Henke relieved and retired the next three batters. He pitched the ninth for his 26th save.

''I'd like to go eight or nine innings, but for whatever reason I'm not there yet,'' Key said. ''(Home plate umpire) Drew (Coble) had a low strike zone tonight, and I like to pitch down there.''

Key's victory came less than a week after the Twins pounded him in Toronto for nine hits and five runs in three innings.

''He was throwing pretty much the same, he mixed it up a little better,'' Twins outfielder Shane Mack said. ''He threw more changeups. He had pretty good control of the change. We hit him well last time but not this time.''

Key allowed four hits over seven innings. He retired 16 of 17 Twins batters between the first and sixth innings.

Minnesota starter Allan Anderson, 5-16, lost despite pitching a complete game.The Twins lost their fourth straight game.

--- AROUND THE AL ---

Elsewhere in the AL, California downed Boston 4-3, Kansas City buried Milwaukee 10-1, New York routed Seattle 6-0, Detroit stopped Cleveland 6-3 Oakland beat Baltimore 3-1, and Texas toppled Chicago 8-3.

Angels 4, Red Sox 3

At Boston, Kirk McCaskill scattered five hits over 6 1-3 innings and Pete Coachman collected an RBI in his major-league debut. McCaskill, 9-8, walked two and struck out five. Bryan Harvey earned his 15th save. Tom Bolton fell to 7-2.

Royals 10, Brewers 1

At Milwaukee, Kevin Appier scattered six hits over six innings and Brian McRae went 4-for-6 in a 17-hit Kansas City attack. Appier, 9-4, won his fourth straight game and seventh in his last eight starts. Jamie Navvaro, 3-5, lasted only 1 1-3 innings.

Yankees 6, Mariners 0

At New York, Mike Witt threw a two-hitter and Jesse Barfield and Kevin Maas each hit home runs. Witt, 2-5, recorded his first shutout and first complete game of the season. Brian Holman ll-9, took the loss, giving up seven hits and five runs.

Tigers 6, Indians 3

At Detroit, Cecil Fielder lined his third home run in as many games, increasing his major league-leading total to 39, and Alan Trammell added a two-run homer. Walt Terrell, 2-1, allowed nine hits over 8 2-3 innings. Cleveland starter Jeff Shaw dropped to 2-4.

Athletics 3, Orioles 1

At Baltimore, Rickey Henderson, the leading hitter in the American League, smacked a two-run home run in the seventh inning. Henderson's homer came off rookie Ben McDonald, 5-1, who had posted victories in his first five starts. Gene Nelson, 3-2, recorded the victory in relief.

Rangers 8, White Sox 3

At Arlington, Texas, Gary Green's three-run double keyed a four-run sixth inning for the Rangers. John Barfield, 2-0, entered the game in the fourth and threw six innings of no-hit relief. The loss went to Alex Fernandez, 1-1, who was making his fourth major league start.

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TOKYO (AUG. 19) UPI - Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu will confer with President Bush in New York next month on Japan's role for stability in the Middle East before embarking on a tour of five Persian Gulf nations, a newspaper said Sunday.

The economic journal Nihon Keizai Shimbun said Kaifu's plan was made known by Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama in his meeting with Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister Saud al-Faisal in Jiddah, Saudi Arabia, on Saturday.

Nakayama arrived in the Saudi capital Saturday to begin a tour of five Middle East nations on behalf of Kaifu, who earlier postponed his journey to the region because of upheavals triggered by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

Nakayama will proceed to Oman, Jordan, Egypt and Turkey on an eight-day swing.

Nihon Keizai said Kaifu plans to meet with Bush and outline Japan's measures to contribute to stability in the Middle East.

Kaifu and Bush plan to attend the U.N.-organized children's summit in New York in late September, the paper said.

Kaifu summoned senior Foreign Ministry officials Saturday to be briefed on ways Japan can contribute to peace and stability in the gulf region, government officials said.

The officials said the Foreign Ministry suggested dispatching an emergency aid mission, including medical, transport and communications personnel, and extension of aid to gulf nations affected by U.S.-led sanctions against Iraq.

Nakayama's tour is primarily designed to exchange information with leaders of the five gulf nations to help Kaifu's government formulate measures to help restore stability in the region, Foreign Ministry officials said.

''This is an unprecedented operation on our part ... please don't misunderstand that we are only thinking of money. We are trying to come up with something else,'' Foreign Ministry spokesman Taizo Watanabe said at a news conference following Nakayama's departure Friday.

Watanabe, however, admitted that the government is hampered by constitutional limitations, barring the deployment of combat forces beyond Japan's territory.

Japanese dailies said the government and the ruling Liberal Democratic Party were divided on the idea of sending non-combat personnel to the international multinational forces stationed in Saudi Arabia.

Japan previously studied the possibility of sending minesweepers to the gulf during the 1987 crisis, but the plan was dropped.

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(AUG. 19) UI - The Cincinnati Reds said good-bye to an old friend Saturday and Barry Bonds said good-bye to a changeup.

''It was the first time in three years of playing this game that a left-hander has thrown me a changeup,'' Bonds said after hitting Chris Hammond's pitch 400 feet for his 24th homer to lift the Pirates to a 3-1 victory over Cincinnati.

''He left the pitch right out there over the plate'' said Bonds of his fourth-inning blast that gave the Pirates a 2-0 lead. Bonds also doubled in a run.

Hammond, 0-1, was on the Reds' roster because a familiar face at Riverfront Stadium suddenly decided to call it quits. Ken Griffey Sr., the last link to Cincinnati's fabled Big Red Machine of the 1970s, retired before the game.

Griffey, who made his major league debut with Cincinnati in 1973, reported to the Cincinnati clubhouse before the game but shortly after being summoned to Reds Manager Lou Piniella's office. He then announced he was ending his career at the age of 40.

''Ken is a class person who had a great career,'' Piniella said. ''I played with him for the Yankees and coached and managed him at New York and here in Cincinnati. He helped with the leadership in our clubhouse and I enjoyed being around him.

''Ken had talked about retirement and today he did it, but he'll still be around here to help us and work with the staff.''

Pittsburgh has won six of its last seven and remains two games ahead of the New York Mets in the National League East.

Pirates starter Zane Smith, acquired from Montreal Aug. 8, limited Cincinnati to five hits in 7 1-3 innings to improve to 8-7.

The Reds, who have lost the first three games of the four-game series between the division leaders, haven't had much luck at the plate recently.

--- AROUND THE NL ---

Elsewhere in the National League, New York slapped San Francisco 9-2, Atlanta clubbed Chicago 17-6, Houston nipped St. Louis 3-2 in 11 innings, San Diego downed Philadelphia 4-2 and Los Angeles edged Montreal 3-2.

Mets 9, Giants 2

At San Francisco, David Cone pitched a seven-hitter and struck out a career-high 13 and Howard Johnson had three hits, including two doubles, and three RBI to help New York. Cone, 9-6, pitched his second complete

game of the season.

Braves 17, Cubs 6

At Chicago, pinch-hitter Tommy Gregg drove in four runs and Andres Thomas collected three RBI to power a 24-hit Atlanta attack. The 24 hits and 17 runs were season highs for the Braves. Atlanta sent nine men to the plate in the third, fourth and seventh innings. Charlie Leibrandt, 5-7, got the victory.

Astros 3, Cardinals 2 (11 innings)

At St. Louis, pinch-hitter Mark Davidson singled home Franklin Stubbs for the game-winner in the 11th inning. Stubbs sent the game into extra innings with a lead-off homer - his 18th blast of the season - in the ninth inning. Dave Smith, 4-4, got the victory.

Padres 4, Phillies 2

At San Diego, Jack Clark hit his 20th homer, a three-run blast in the sixth inning, to erase a 2-0 deficit and power the Padres. Mike Pagliarulo added an RBI single in the inning to make a winner of Andy Benes, 9-8.

Dodgers 3, Expos 2

At Los Angeles, Stan Javier singled in Alfredo Griffin with the tie-breaking run in the seventh inning to move the Dodgers to within 6 1-2 games of first-place Cincinnati in the NL West. Fernando Valenzuela, 10-10 worked seven innings to gain the victory.

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(AUG. 19) UPI - Iraq ordered all Westerners in occupied Kuwait to assemble Sunday at three hotels, warning if they failed to comply their governments will bear ''full responsibility for the consequences.''

Baghdad Radio, monitored in Beirut, quoted a spokesman of the Iraqi Interior Ministry as ordering all ''Westerners and Australians in the Iraqi cities of Kuwait ... to assemble in three hotels.''

It said the measure is ''to guarantee their safety'' and said anyone who does not respond to the call will hold along with their government ''full responsibility for the consequences of any act that might target them from hostile elements.''

In Washington, a State Department spokesman said ''there is no change in our policy. We have not asked U.S. citizens to comply with the various

Iraqi demands and we don't expect the Iraqi government to make any demands of them.''

There are an estimated 2,500 American citizens in Kuwait, and another 500 in Iraq, who have been stranded since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2.

Saudi Arabian television reports, meanwhile, said Kuwaiti guerrillas carried out a suicide mission against Iraqis in Kuwait, killing many soldiers.

The Saudi report, quoting Kuwaiti Radio Sunday, said a Kuwaiti ''resistance hero'' had driven a car loaded with explosives into a hospital in Kuwait City being used by Iraqi soldiers, leaving several troops dead and wounded.

''Kuwaiti radio announced this evening that one of the Kuwaiti resistance heroes this evening stormed al-Hadi hospital in al-Jabiriyah district in a car loaded with explosives.

''The operation resulted in his martyrdom and a large number of casualties among the Iraqi soldiers, dead and injured, who have occupied the hospital and made it their headquarters.''

U.S. warships on Saturday fired warning shots across the bow of two Iraqi tankers that refused orders to stop in the Persian Gulf and the Gulf of Oman, and Iraq said it considered the U.S. naval quarantine an ''act of war.''

In Saudi Arabia Sunday, U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney told reporters ''Iraqi vessels are still under surveillance. They're not going near any port at the moment. We are prepared to see that the U.N. sanctions voted on and the actions that the legitimate government of Kuwait asked us to perform will be carried out.''

Cheney also said the United States has no immediate plans to significantly increase its current troop deployment, currently estimated at 45,000.

Earlier, Iraq had said it would move foreigners trapped in Iraq and Kuwait to vital Iraqi installations as a human shield against U.S. attack, and vowed that foreign babies would suffer along with Iraqi infants if economic sanctions deprive the country of food and medicine.

At the United Nations, the Security Council voted unanimously Saturday night to demand that Iraq allow foreigners to leave, and a Bush administration official for the first time used the word ''hostage'' to describe thousands of Americans and citizens of other countries trapped in Iraq and Kuwait.

The warning shots in the Gulf of Oman, fired by the frigate USS Reid, were the first use of force reported by American ships and ground troops deployed in the Middle East after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

U.S. Navy spokesmen said U.S. naval forces in the Persian Gulf went to battle stations when the Reid fired six shots at an unidentified Iraqi tanker in the Gulf of Oman when it refused orders to stop.

''The Persian Gulf forces have gone to general quarters. They are at battle stations,'' said Capt. Morris Foote of the guided missile cruiser USS Ticonderoga, cruising with the aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower battle group in the Red Sea. The general quarters order was rescinded after the incident, which occurred at about 4 p.m.

Iraqi oil minister Isam Abdul Raheem al-Chalaby warned that any aggression directed at Iraqi tankers and their crews would result in ''grave consequences,'' the official Iraqi News Agency reported.

INA quoted al-Chalaby as saying a number of American warships fired shots in front of and behind the Iraqi tanker Khanakeen in an attempt to force it to stop and change course.

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DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AUG. 19) UPI - U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf region are now strong enough to make Iraq ''pay a price'' if President Saddam Hussein is ''foolish enough'' to invade Saudi Arabia, U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said Sunday.

Cheney, speaking to reporters during a visit to Saudi Arabia to assess Washington's response to the gulf crisis, said the United States had no immediate plans of significantly upgrading its current troop deployment schedule.

''The total size of the final deployment will depend on future developments,'' Cheney said. ''We have got sufficient forces in the country that, should Saddam Hussein be foolish enough to launch an attack on Saudi Arabia, we would do an effective job of making him pay a price.''

U.S. sources said the Pentagon intends to deploy three brigades of Marines - about 45,000 troops - with full armor and artillery as a deterrent against more than 170,000 Iraqi troops based in Kuwait and now threatening Saudi Arabia.

At least one brigade has arrived and is now stationed near the border about 170 miles north of Dhahran, with troops of the Army's 82nd and 101st

airborne divisions.

The sources said the other two brigades were en route by land and sea to bolster the 95,000-strong Saudi military, which is also being supported by ground forces from Britain, Egypt, Morocco, Syria and soon Pakistan and Bangladesh.

Asked if the United States, which fired warning shots across the bow of two Iraqi tankers Saturday, is prepared to sink Iraqi vesels, Cheney said, ''Iraqi vessels are still under surveillance. They're not going near any port at the moment. We are prepared to see that the U.N. sanctions voted on and the actions that the legitimate government of Kuwait asked us to perform will be carried out,'' said Cheney.

Asked whether Saudis or Americans control the military force, he said an agreement had been reached with Riyadh under which American constitutional requirements that the president remain supreme commander were satisfied, and Saudi concerns about sovereignty were also respected.

Cheney wore blue jeans and a cotton shirt as he was shuttled around the mammoth base that has been the main staging post for incoming military transport planes unloading men and materiel.

The city of Dhahran seemed empty. Many Saudi residents had left and most women and children have been evacuated. Virtually all dependents of foreign oil workers had left.

Huge C-5 aircraft continuously spilled out Sheridan tanks, armored personnel carriers and munitions which lie in rows on the desert waiting to be moved to forward positions.

Cheney met troops in blistering 104-degree heat. He was taken to see an Apache attack helicopter and a Patriot ground-to-air missile site. The missiles are designed to hit both planes and incoming missiles and are thought to be the best defense against a possible Iraqi attack with Soviet-supplied Scud missiles, potentially tipped with chemical warheads.

While Cheney viewed the base, F-15 fighters took off, ripping across the sky to join a 24-hour patrol along the Saudi-Kuwait border.

Cheney, who had spent the night on the carrier USS Eisenhower in the Red Sea, was to continue Sunday afternoon to Bahrain and then go to the United Arab Emirates, Oman and Qatar. Then he may have a brief stop in Egypt.

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JERUSALEM (AUG. 19) UPI - Israeli soldiers Sunday shot and killed one of

two Jordanian soldiers who crossed the border into Israeli-occupied territory and opened fire, the army said.

The other Jordanian was wounded, but no Israelis were hurt, an army spokesman said.

The incident took place south of the Damiya Bridge, about a half-mile west of the Jordanian border in the occupied West Bank, the spokesman said.

The men were wearing Jordanian army uniforms and carrying weapons, the spokesman said.

Israeli soldiers, who tracked the two, ordered them to stop, but they opened fire, the spokesman said. The Israeli patrol returned fire, killing one soldier and wounding the second, who was not seriously hurt, the spokesman said.

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#90231u0251 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

SOWETO, South Africa (AUG. 19) UPI - Factional battles flared again across the nation's largest black township and other settlements Sunday, pushing the death toll after the seventh day of slaughter to almost 279 and injuries to at least 1,100.

Police and army units have inundated the strife-torn areas, but could not stop sporadic and savage tribal-style fighting overnight between dozens of combatants wielding clubs, spears and machetes.

Witnesses reported two groups clashing in a 15-minute pre-dawn battle on one of Soweto's dirt highways, leaving a number of wounded writhing and screaming for aid before the sides separated, exhausted, and camp followers moved in to take away the injured.

''The fighters came together shouting war cries. Some wore the tribal dress of cowskins. This has been going on all over in different spots,'' witness Marcus Ndlovu, 19, said.

Since the outbreak of the conflict Monday, at least 279 people have been killed in mostly hand-to-hand battles between Zulu supporters of the Inkatha movement and rivals of the African National Congress, which groups mainly Xhosas in its support base.

Police and detachments of troops, which moved into Soweto in force Saturday, have been unable to stop the widespread conflict despite firing on warring groups with tear gas, birdshot, and rubber bullets.

The fighting spilled over into Soweto from a cluster of three townships

east of Johannesburg on Thursday, and the sprawling township of 2 million has since seen the worst violence.

Police spokesman Col. Tienie Halgryn put the death toll in Soweto by Sunday at 77, with 417 hurt. He added violence in Thokoza township overnight claimed at least another 2 dead and 10 injured.

The 279 dead ''also numbers bodies we have found from battles which could have taken place some days ago,'' Halgryn said. He noted the official injury estimate ''certainly does not take into account all those who let their wounds go untreated.''

Police reported the townships were quiet in most places but tense Sunday, and they were removing barricades of rocks and debris the sides had erected to serve as makeshift regrouping and fighting positions.

Analysts blamed the internecine violence, once confined to the Indian Ocean province of Natal, on a combination of tribal rivalries between Zulus and Xhosas and attempts by Inkatha President Mangosuthu Buthelezi to carve out his power base ahead of formal negotiations with the government on a post-apartheid constitution.

Battles between Buthelezi's supporters and those of Nelson Mandela's ANC in Natal have claimed more than 3,000 lives since 1987. With the legalization of the ANC in February, Inkatha has been accused of taking the fighting particularly into the ANC stronghold of Transvaal province, to ensure Buthelezi maintains a foothold in Soweto and other townships.

But Buthelezi and Mandela have both traded accusations over culpability, while also condemning the violence. Efforts last Thursday by President Frederik de Klerk, Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok and ANC Mandela to halt the bloodshed through a ''peace forum'' failed to take hold.

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#90231u0264 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (AUG. 19) UPI - Vietnam's private sector, boosted by market- oriented reforms, is rapidly outgrowing the once-dominant state sector, the official Vietnam News Agency reported.

''The non-state sector occupies an ever more important position in the national economic life,'' wrote Huu Tho, the deputy editor in chief of the Communist Party journal Nhan Dan, in a VNA dispatch dated Saturday.

The ''non-state sector'' includes private enterprises, family farms and workshops and small-scale cooperatives.

This sector, once deliberately suppressed in efforts to move to a higher

level of socialism, is now credited with having ''boosted the volume of social product, helped in the circulation of goods, and created jobs for millions of people,'' Tho wrote.

Vietnam instituted economic reforms beginning in 1987 meant to revive the nearly bankrupt socialist economy.

The reforms gradually ended most state subsidies, put most state agencies on a profit basis and opened large areas of the economy to private enterprise.

VNA said Tho argued that more active steps should be taken to enact and enforce legislation encouraging the development of the private sector ''while limiting its negative aspects.''

He said the non-state sector now accounted for about 90 percent of the rice, 56 percent of the coffee, 90 percent of the domestic animals and poultry, and nearly 100 percent of the vegetables, fruit and eggs produced in the country.

Private and cooperative factories produce 50 percent of the country' s industrial output and employ more than 2 million people, he said.

Tho urged, however, that fraud was more likely in such a market-oriented economy ''spurred by the profit motive.''

He said more legislation and preventive measures were needed to prevent and punish fraud in an economy whose entire structure was changing rapidly.

''Work in the fields of legislation and organization has not kept pace with those changes,'' he said.

He said the National Assembly must quickly pass needed laws on trading, labor, the settlement of bankruptcies, and the setting up of courts of law dealing with economic litigation.

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#90231u0266 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AUG. 19) UPI - Former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto called Sunday for the formation of a new caretaker government that could be trusted to hold elections scheduled for October.

''We do not believe that the present caretaker administration can give this country free, fair and independent elections,'' Bhutto told reporters at a news conference in Islamabad.

''We want fresh a caretaker administration at the center and at the

provinces, which must be constituted of neutral people such as the speakers, who are elected by Parliament, to play neutral roles.''

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan dismissed Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party government Aug. 6, charging it with ''corruption and nepotism.'' He also dissolved the National Assembly and appointed an interim government until elections scheduled for Oct. 24.

Bhutto, 37, said the present caretaker administration had shown its ''dishonesty of intentions'' in the type of people picked for office.

''I do not know of any other country where the prime minister is dismissed and the leader of the opposition, who has been defeated in two home constituencies, is picked to be made prime minister,'' Bhutto said.

The interim government of Prime Minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi announced last week the formation of special judicial tribunals to assess ''accountability'' of all members of the previous National Assembly.

But Bhutto said Sunday she refused to accept the validity of the tribunals.

''Justice demands that people not be tried before kangaroo newspaper trials but that the innocence of people be decided before the ordinary courts of the law,'' Bhutto said.

Bhutto's call for a new caretaker government came one day after Nawaz Sharif, the former chief minister of Punjab province, sharply criticized Bhutto's party.

''The PPP government had eroded its ethical and legal basis,'' said Sharif who is seen by some analysts as the most credible alternative to Bhutto in the coming election. ''It was the most corrupt regime in Pakistan's history.''

Bhutto, who became the first woman leader of a Moslem nation, was given a boisterous welcome on her arrival in Islamabad from Karachi, the southern port where the family home is located.

''Benazir is innocent,'' shouted the crowd as she emerged from the airport lounge.

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#90231u0270 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (AUG. 19) UPI - Khmer Rouge guerrilla forces attacked the Cambodian government's main transport routes in two provinces last week, destroying a tank and killing 33 troops, rebel radio reported Sunday.

The radio report said ''our national resistance forces'' routed enemy troops in Banteay Srei district on route 67, about 25 miles north of the capital of Siem Reap province last Monday.

The province, about 180 miles northwest of Phnom Penh, has been the focus of recent Khmer Rouge attacks because it contains the 12th-century ruins of Angkor Wat, an ancient Khmer temple that is a national symbol.

''We killed 15 enemy soldiers, including a tank regiment commander, and wounded 20 others,'' the broadcast said.

It said the attack destroyed one Soviet-supplied T-54 tank and damaged another.

A separate broadcast said another attack near Pursat town, about 120 miles northwest of Phnom Penh, wiped out a military convoy carrying weapons and ammunition.

''We burned 15 trucks, killed 18 and wounded 25 enemy soldiers,'' the radio said.

Diplomatic observers have said Khmer Rouge reports are frequently exaggerated, but Cambodian government officials admit the Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge have recently begun operating in larger groups for guerrilla attacks focused on transport links and economic targets.

The Khmer Rouge, ousted by the 1978 Vietnamese invasion after three years of bloody rule, are part of a three-party resistance coalition that includes two U.S.-backed groups. The United States recently withdrew recognition of the Khmer Rouge at the United Nations.

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EAST BERLIN (AUG. 19) UPI - East Germany's Social Democratic Party held a special meeting Sunday to discuss its planned break from the government coalition, raising a new obstacle to hopes for a smooth unification with the West.

The party was widely expected at the meeting to pull out of the coalition, leaving the government of Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere with 193 parliamentary mandates, eight short of a majority.

The SPD's executive had asked party members last week to formally approve the break with the government after de Maiziere dismissed two SPD cabinet ministers who were had been blamed for the East's current economic crisis.

Although it was unclear how the unification issue itself might affect the

SPD's decision to break with the government, party leader Wolfgang Thierse said the SPD does not support the proposed unification treaty in its present form on grounds that it does not give East Germans sufficient guarantees of social security.

The SPD is the second-largest party in the government coalition and has 88 deputies in the 400-strong East German Parliament. The treaty can be passed only by a two-thirds parliamentary majority.

Government officials in Bonn have warned that, if the SPD does not support the treaty, the unification procedure will be set down in a transitional law unilaterally passed by the West German Parliament.

The officials said they were prepared to enforce this option if necessary but did not favor it because it would look like an ''Anschluss,'' a reference to Adolf Hitler's annexation of Austria in 1938.

East and West German officials said that, if the option is used, East Germans would have little influence over their own fate.

''If one fails with the unification treaty, one puts people without protection in an inadequate situation,'' de Maiziere said.

The SPD has not issued a statement either supporting or rejecting West Germany's authority to act unilaterally on unification.

Officials of the West German opposition SPD and the Christian Social Union - West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Bavarian partners - called Sunday for immediate unification in view of the current political and economic crisis in East Germany.

They said that at its next session, on Wednesday, the Parliament in East Berlin should request accession to the West German federal republic.

''Every day of further delay of (East Germany's) accession accentuates the crisis and increases the costs of unity,'' said Ingrid Matthaeus-Maier, deputy leader of the West German SPD.

The East and West German SPDs - like de Maiziere and Kohl's CDUs - are separate parties but are due to unite in late September.

''Before one allows a further increase of the economic collapse and the political dissolution, one must of course be prepared to take over responsibility. We are,'' CSU Secretary-General Erwin Huber said.

East German Foreign Minister Markus Meckel of the SPD said he believed an acceptable unification treaty may still be negotiated. He said that if the negotiations failed, unification should take place after Sept. 12.

Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States - the World War II victorious powers - and the two Germanys are expected to formalize agreements on the external aspects of unification at a meeting Sept. 12 in Moscow.

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(AUG. 19) UPI - TODAY'S PEOPLE:

BETTE BASHES BARR: Bette Midler holds most big-name female humorists in high regard, except for Roseanne Barr. ''I'm sorry, but I don't think she's funny,'' Midler says in the latest issue of Redbook magazine. ''I think she's crass.'' But she describes Tracey Ullman as ''brilliant - witty beyond belief'' and Carol Burnett as ''very, very classy. Whoopi Goldberg is described as ''gifted'' and ''geniune in her own work.'' Midler herself has wrapped up filming a new Paul Mazursky picture with co-star Woody Allen. She plays a therapist anxious about the onset of her 16th wedding anniversary.

NBC GETS DAN RATHER MAD: Dan Rather doesn't take kindly to being mocked by his competitors. ABC's Ted Koppel beat Rather into Iraq and there was a joke going around NBC that the only action Rather saw from his headquarters in Amman, Jordan, was a fight between housekeeping and room service at his hotel. ''He's just watching Jordanian TV,'' an NBC executive said in The Washington Post. The NBC exec wasn't named, but Rather says it was Steve Friedman, Tom Brokaw's producer. ''We know it and he knows it,'' Rather said. ''He speaks for Tom Brokaw. I respect Tom Brokaw tremendously, but this I don't respect - even less so because they didn't have the guts to put their names on it. Why do they do that? It's in their nature.''

ROCKING' IN PRAGUE: The Rolling Stones, nearing the end of their 3-month-old Urban Jungle tour, rolled into Prague Saturday, drawing 100,000 to their first concert ever in formerly Communist Czechoslovakia. The crowd was all the more impressive because tickets sold for the equivalent of $10, about 8 percent of the average Czechoslovak's monthly wage. The Stones are donating all proceeds from the concert to a charity for the handicapped headed by the wife of Czechoslovakia's playwright-president, Vaclav Havel. Mick Jagger and the rest of the band met with Havel before the concert, demonstrating, in the words of the official Czechoslovak news agency CTK, Havel's appreciation of ''the Rolling Stones to modern music culture during more than a quarter of a

century of their activity on the scene of world pop music.''

SOUL TOUR KO'D: Soul II Soul has had to cancel the rest of its current tour after all five members of the group were hurt in a bus crash in suburban Chicago. The group was en route from a sold-out appearance in Detroit to a Saturday night performance outside Chicago when its bus rear-ended another in a construction zone along Interstate 290. That triggered a chain reaction that involved four cars and injured a total of 31 people. The group canceled the rest of its concert tour after doctors told leader Jazzy B, who suffered a slight spinal injury, that he should rest for at least seven days.

ELVIS MINUTIAE: Eddie James of Nashville won Saturday's Elvis Trivia Contest at Graceland Plaza as Memphis concluded a week's commemoration of the anniversary of the death of Elvis Presley. James correctly recalled the title Presley said he would have used for his autobiography, ''Through My Eyes.'' James beat out three other finalists. Presley died 13 years ago last Thursday. About 40,000 fans spent the better part of last week observing the anniversary.

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OAKLAND, CA (AUG. 19) UPI - The Soviet Union's chief of protocol remained in the San Francisco Bay Area after Mikhail Gorbachev's June visit for treatment of a heart condition, it was revealed Saturday.

Vladimir Shermyshev, 61, was admitted to Merritt Peralta Medical Center June 11 for two days of tests. No announcement was made at the time for security reasons, hospital spokeswoman Gerrie Shields said.

She said Shermyshev had been advised by Soviet doctors to have a heart bypass operation. Tests ordered by Merritt Peralta heart surgeon Dr. Nilas Young indicated surgery was not necessary, Shields said.

The diplomat left the hospital June 13, but remained in the Bay Area for two more weeks as doctors observed him and treated him with drugs.

Gorbachev arrived in San Francisco June 3 for a brief visit.

Young is involved in Heart to Heart, a training program for Soviet heart surgeons. He has performed operations on Soviet children with heart defects.

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VATICAN CITY (AUG. 19) UPI - Pope John Paul II may visit the Soviet Union in the summer of 1991, ecclesiastical sources quoted by the Italian news agency ANSA said.

ANSA, quoting sources it did not identify, reported Saturday the pope had expressed in a meeting with a small group of Soviet Catholics a desire to visit the Soviet Union between June and September of next year.

Pope John Paul was invited to visit the Soviet Union at a meeting in the Vatican last December with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

The church sources said the visit would depend on a solution to the problems of the Eastern Rite Catholic Church of the Ukraine, which is negotiating for the return of property handed over to the Russian Orthodox Church on the orders of Soviet dictator Josef Stalin in 1946.

The sources also said the visit could not take place if relations between Lithuania and Moscow broke down completely.

The predominantly Catholic Lithuanian republic is seeking independence from the Soviet Union and tensions over this issue make a papal visit to the Lithuanian capital Vilnius unlikely, diplomatic sources said.

The church sources said the pope hoped Soviet Catholics would be allowed to have their own bishop, based in Moscow, by Christmas, meeting another condition the Vatican has set before a papal visit can go ahead.

They said the papal nuncio to Moscow, Monsignor Francesco Colasuonno, had discussed the possibility of the visit in a meeting with the Soviet leader.

Colasuonno was appointed the pope's representative in Moscow when diplomatic relations were established between the Vatican and the Soviet Union March 15.

Pope John Paul has frequently spoken of his desire to make a ''pilgrimage'' to the Soviet Union.

Meanwhile, in Castel Gandolfo, Italy, Pope John Paul called Sunday for prayers for peace but made no explicit reference to the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

Speaking in English to pilgrims at the midday angelus at his summer retreat in the hills near Rome, the pope invited them to join him in praying for peace.

''I invite all of you to join me in praying that God will inspire in all peoples a deep desire for lasting peace based on justice,'' the pontiff said.

''Commending this intention to the prayers of Mary the queen of peace, I cordially invoke upon you and your loved ones the abundant blessings of our heavenly father,'' the pope said.

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KHARTOUM, Sudan (AUG. 19) UPI - Sudan said Sunday that a U.S. warship illegally intercepted a cargo ship that was on its way to the Jordanian port of Aqaba to evacuate Sudanese nationals who had fled from Kuwait.

The African country protested the incident to the United Nations and the United States, with Minister of Justice Ahmed Mahmoud Hassan calling the action ''illegal and a violation of human rights as the ship was on its way to evacuate civilians escaping a battle area.''

Sudan, located in Africa southwest of Iraq and Jordan and directly opposite Saudi Arabia across the Red Sea, is one of the few nations supporting Iraq in the current gulf crisis and has pledged to send Sudanese troops to support Iraqi forces.

Sudanese officials said the cargo ship, ''Dongola,'' was heading to Jordan to pick up the evacuees when it was intercepted by U.S. warships and planes and ordered to return to its Sudanese port. They said the ship was currently anchored 110 miles away from Aqaba, waiting for further instructions.

U.S. officials said they wanted to board and search the cargo ship, the officials said.

There was no immediate comment from the White House or Pentagon, which announced late last week that the U.S. Navy would begin boarding and searching ships suspected of breaking the U.N.-imposed embargo against Iraq.

On Friday, two U.S. warships fired salvos of shots across the bows of two Iraqi tankers in the gulf, which ignored the warnings and proceeded on course with the warships trailing behind.

Sudanese officials said their ship should be exempt from the search order.

''The ship was not an Iraqi one and it was away from Iraqi waters but it was still intercepted,'' Sudanese Foreign Minister Ali Ahmed Sahlol said at a news conference in Khartoum. ''Does this mean that the Aqaba port is

closed and does it mean the embargo includes not only Iraq but its neighbors?''

Government ministers said an estimated 500 Sudanese, most of them women and children, had arrived in Aqaba from Kuwait last week and were waiting to be transported home to Sudan.

Iraq, which invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, has said it will keep Western foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait to guard against attack by Western forces in the gulf, but has allowed hundreds of thousands of Arabs and other nationals to flee the two countries.

The officials said Sudan attempted to hire a ship to evacuate the Sudanese from Aqaba, but were force to send one of its own cargo ships Thursday.

They said the ship was laden with 200 pounds of cargo, mostly steel, and had been carrying water and medicine for the evacuees.

Sahlol said U.S. government officials told him warships were enforcing the U.N. embargo against Iraq and that the ''Dongola'' had to be searched before it could dock at Aqaba.

Sahlol said Sudan was contacting U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to seek advice.

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SEBRING, FL (AUG. 19) UPI - Call them the Dirty Dozen, Plus Two.

Fourteen state prison inmates, including one serving a life sentence for murder, have offered to volunteer for military service in the sands of Saudi Arabia. All they're asking in return is a decent burial if they're killed or a pardon if they survive.

The inmates at the Cross City Correctional Institution spelled out their offer in a letter to President Bush, saying that serving in the U.S. deployment to the Middle East would ''restore some of the lost honor we have inflicted on ourselves and this country.''

No one in authority appears to be seriously considering the offer. A White House spokeswoman laughed when told about it.

''It sounds like they've been watching too many movies,'' said Bob Macmaster, a spokesman for the Florida Department of Correction, recalling the 1967 movie ''The Dirty Dozen,'' in which a group of murderers, rapists and other criminals are sprung from a military prison for a dangerous World War II mission.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 19) UPI - George Steinbrenner is scheduled to resign Monday as general partner of the New York Yankees and remove himself from day-to-day operation of the club he seen soar from World Series champions to major league doormats.

But what seemed certain a few weeks ago - that Steinbrenner would relinquish control of the Yankees and quietly fade from the post he has held since 1973 - has become unsure in the wake of a lawsuit his ban from baseball by Commissioner Fay Vincent.

As part of the agreement the principal owner signed July 30 with Vincent, Steinbrenner agreed to surrender control of the team by Aug. 20 and reduce his financial interest in the Yankees from 55 percent to under 50 percent.

But Steinbrenner may yet retain control of the team with the assistance of some of the the team's limited partners. A suit brought by two of the Yankees' minority owners, Harold Bowman and Daniel McCarthy, seeks to block Steinbrenner's removal from game. It further questions Vincent's broad powers to ''protect the best interests of baseball.''

The suit, filed in a federal court in Cleveland, asks for a temporary restraining order which would allow Steinbrenner to maintain control of the Yankees until the matter can be settled.

Steinbrenner has insisted he has not participated in the suit. In fact, Steinbrenner wrote his partners that he opposed any legal action against the commissioner's office.

The suit seeks to address two main issues. Bowman and McCarthy claim Vincent abused his powers as commissioner and led a witchhunt against Steinbrenner. They also contend, win or lose, all baseball owners should be concerned with the powers vested in the commissioner's office.

Other major league owners have distanced themselves from the Steinbrenner affair.

On the surface, it appears the lawsuit was engineered to circumvent Steinbrenner's restriction from bringing legal action against baseball or Vincent.

Aided by his lawyers during the 11-hour meeting when the agreement was hammered out, Steinbrenner agreed not to sue. Technically, Steinbrenner has not violated the agreement, though he would be in violation if he did not resign Monday.

If Steinbrenner violates the agreement by refusing to step down, he could be subject to more severe sanctions by the commissioner, including the possibility of being forced to sell the Yankees.

The minority owners met in Cleveland last week to nominate Steinbrenner's successor as general partner. However, the selection process eventually unraveled, laying the groundwork for litigation.

After Steinbrenner's 33-year-old son Hank rejected the position, the orderly transition of Yankees power lost focus.

The next nominee was Leonard Kleinman, the Yankees' executive vice president and chief operating officer, but he failed to gain Vincent's support. Vincent rejected his appointment as general partner on the grounds that Kleinman was party to the $40,000 payment made to gambler Howard Spira, the transaction which laid the groundwork for Steinbrenner's ouster.

Robert Nederlander, a New York theatrical producer and close friend of Steinbrenner, was nominated Thursday to become the Yankees' general partner. Nederlander and his brothers, James and Harry, own a combined 6 percent of the club.

The appointment remains subject to approval by 10 of the 14 American League owners and 7 of 12 National League owners, as well as Vincent.

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MANAMA, Bahrain (AUG. 19) UPI - President Bush's interdiction program against Iraq faced its first challenge Sunday as two Iraqi oil tankers that already ignored U.S. warning shots were moving south through the Persian Gulf, shadowed by American warships.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, who was in the region to visit U.S. forces and Persian Gulf leaders, was monitoring the situation and talking to Washington by phone during his trip.

He became less talkative about the two Iraqi tankers during the day and refused to say what action, if any, would be taken to stop the vessels.

''After events proceed, we will to the best of our ability try to keep you informed,'' Cheney told reporters traveling with him.

Asked if Bush had backed away from his intention of using force against Iraqi ships since they apparently are still underway, Cheney answered with a curt, ''No.''

Cheney also was asked whether the issue of the approximately 3,000 Americans being held in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait was affecting U.S. decision-making on the Iraqi ships.

''We are concerned, obviously, about the Americans held in Iraq and Kuwait. We are also concerned about vessels that might try to violate the sanctions ... but the two are unrelated,'' he said.

Cheney made the statement in Bahrain after meeting with officers and crew members of the USS LaSalle, the command ship of the U.S. Joint Task Force-Middle East, which has eight warships in the Persian Gulf, including the ship that fired the warning shots.

On the first day of Cheney's four-day trip to the region, Navy officials in the Red Sea said U.S. ships in the Persian Gulf had gone to battle stations Saturday after the frigate USS Reid had fired at least six warning shots from its 76mm cannon across the bow of an Iraqi tanker, but that the vessel would not stop.

It was later learned that two Iraqi oil tankers were involved.

Cheney, who had been visiting sailors Saturday aboard the aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower in the Red Sea, confirmed the firing when he arrived at a Saudi Arabian air base early Sunday to visit with U.S. ground and air forces.

''I am aware that in the Persian Gulf yesterday, as part of our interception operations, one of our vessels did fire warning shots near an Iraqi vessel,'' Cheney told reporters.

''At this point, the Iraqi vessels are still under surveillance. They are not close to any port or any harbor at this point. Our vessels continue to maintain that surveillance.

''I wouldn't want to speculate what happens next,'' Cheney said. ''We obviously are prepared to see to it that the sanctions that the United Nations voted and the actions that the officers of the legitimate government asked us to undertake are carried out.

''The Iraqi tankers in question that are coming down or out of the Persian Gulf continue to be under surveillance of U.S. forces,'' he said.

The tankers are believed to be loaded with oil since they are moving south away from Iraq.

Bush ordered U.S. forces late Thursday night to interdict commercial vessels with goods that are either leaving or bound for Iraq or Kuwait.

The U.N. Security Council adopted the economic embargo in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

In his comments to reporters in Bahrain, Cheney said the United States was working both diplomatically to seek cooperation from all nations on the sanctions and militarily to intercept ships that may be trying to break the embargo.

In his later remarks, Cheney declined to discuss specifics about the Iraqi tankers, such as their location in the Persian Gulf or whether they were loaded.

''We have under surveillance a number of vessels in the Gulf and the Red Sea that may or may not be trying to get around the sanctions,'' he said.

''The United States ... is interested in seeing to it that the sanctions are enforced. But also, if necessary, we will use U.S. military forces to carry out the instructions of the president to intercept shipping that is in violation of those sanctions,'' he said.

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (AUG. 19) UPI - The European Community executive is being asked this week to grant economic and environmental exemptions to East Germany as its 16 million people are incorporated into the EC.

The EC Commission, meeting on Tuesday in a rare August session, seeks to minimize the potentially staggering costs of bringing East Germany into the wealthy community once German unification is completed.

Initial estimates are said to run about $7.5 billion over the next three years, though officials are worried the pricetag could escalate due to rapid deterioration of East Germany's economy since German monetary union took effect on July 1.

Incorporation of East Germany was approved at a special April summit in Dublin by EC heads of state, who called for the EC Commission to develop a package of special transitional steps.

''The transitional measures will be confined to what is strictly necessary and aim at full integration as rapidly and as harmoniously as possible,'' said the summit conclusions.

The EC commissioners are expected to recommend the addition of 18 new seats in the European Parliament to reflect the East German population. That's the easy mathematical part.

Far more challenging is the adoption of creative new policies to deal with East Germany's severe economic, agricultural and environmental problems.

For example, East German nuclear power plants and factories that rely on filthy brown coal fall far short of EC safety and pollution standards. The commission is likely to call for phasing in such standards over several years for the territory of East Germany.

''In most cases, they will need only a little delay, only until the end of 1991, but in some cases it could be until the end of 1992 or even a little longer in a few environmental areas,'' said a West German diplomat in Brussels who has been preparing for the commission meeting.

Other areas to be addressed include the impact of East German farm surpluses on the EC's Common Agricultural Policy, and whether the EC will grant a special exemption to a tariff on products from Comecon countries entering East Germany.

''For example, until now East Germany got all its wine from Hungary and some other agricultural products all from Bulgaria,'' the West German diplomat said. ''The East European countries told the commission that they do not want to lose this commerce at this time, because they are having a very difficult time adapting to market economies.''

The commission will be considering a 500-page report prepared this summer by EC officials, many of whom were grudgingly ordered to curtail their usual four-week August holidays to pore over paperwork in Brussels.

Diplomats who have read the report said it contains reams of highly complex technical regulations but no dramatic surprises.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 19) UPI - Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, has received nearly a million dollars from business-related political action committees and Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., leads all congressional candidates in money from labor PACs, campaign documents showed Sunday.

With less than three months to go before the Nov. 6 elections, PACs of all types are pouring thousands of dollars into races to try to help mold the makeup of the next Congress. Business and labor groups contribute more than 80 percent of the total.

Gramm, who is running well ahead in his run for re-election, has received $977,612 from business-related PACs in the period from Jan. 1, 1989 through July.

Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., who also has a fairly easy race, ranked second among recipients of business PAC money with $822,338. He was followed by Rep. Lynn Martin, R-Ill., who is challenging Simon, with $793,545 and G. Hank Brown, Republican candidate for the open Senate seat in Colorado, with $767,182.

Totals from labor PACs were not as high as from business but still were substantial.

Simon was first with $307,547, followed by Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., with $293,315 and Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, with $238,710.

The totals were compiled from reports filed by the PACs with the Federal Election Commission.

Simon also finished first among recipients of money from entitlement PACs, $20,000, and from liberal ideological groups, $44,225.

Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., was first among conservative groups with $21,950 and Levin among PACs promoting Israeli interests, $155,800.

In addition to getting the second highest total of business money, Rockefeller also ranked eighth among labor PACs with $174,750. Four other Democratic senators ranked in the top 15 in both business and labor PACs.

They were: Jim Exon of Nebraska, eighth in business with $735,644 and sixth in labor with $189,150; Max Baucus of Montana, ninth in business with $692,211 and seventh in labor with $186,450; Howell Heflin of Alabama 12th in business with $667,765 and 14th in labor with $120,250, and Bill Bradley of New Jersey, 14th in business with $582,872 and 15th in labor with $113,500.

Candidates for House seats received less on the average than Senate candidates but some significant sums were racked up.

Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., powerful chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, led all House candidates in business PAC money with $390,721.

He was followed by the two House leaders - Republican Bob Michel of Illinois with $383,305 and Democrat Richard Gephardt with $362,871. Rep. Jack Brooks, D-Texas, was next with $276,922, followed closely by Rep. Bob Matsui, D-Calif., with $276,840.

The top three recipients of labor PAC money all ran in special elections during the Jan. 1, 1989-July 1990 period, which allowed them to collect additional money for that race.

They were: Rep. Jill Long, D-Ind., with $264,354; Rep. Glen Browder, D-Ala., with $260,941, and John Vinich, a Democrat who lost a special House race in Wyoming, with $188,300. Gephardt led all labor recipients who did not have a special election with $174,025.

Long also led in getting money form liberal ideological PACs with $53,494, followed by Rep. Jolene Unsoeld, D-Wash., with $39,738.

Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, R-Fla., who also had a special election, led in conservative PAC money with $17,624, followed by House Republican Whip Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., with $11,000.

Rep. David Bonior, D-Mich., led in entitlement PAC money with $9,500 and Rep. David Obey, D-Wis., with $31,300 led from PACs promoting Isreali interests.

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PARIS (AUG. 19) UPI - France, concerned over reports that French nationals have been rounded up in Kuwait and taken to an unknown location, may have ordered its warships to help enforce the U.N. embargo against Iraq, military sources said Sunday.

French officials previously had said their forces would not fire on cargo vessels bound for Iraq because such a move would constitute an ''act of war.'' U.S. naval ships have been actively enforcing the embargo, ordered by the United Nations after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Foreign Ministry said Sunday that new guidelines had been issued to French naval forces in the gulf region. They said the orders were a military secret but indicated the instructions called for ''firmness'' in enforcing the embargo.

Military sources said the new orders allowed French naval ships to stop suspicious cargo vessels and fire warning shots, but said that presidential authorization was needed before the navy could directly attack a suspect ship.

There are a total of 3,310 French troops in the gulf region or en route on eight ships, the military sources said.

The largest part of the French flotilla - the aircraft carrier Clemenceau and two accompanying ships - were in the Red Sea Sunday after sailing through the Suez Canal with 2,421 troops.

The Foreign Ministry said earlier Sunday that 27 French nationals trapped

in Kuwait and later transported to Baghdad had been moved to an ''unknown location'' in Iraq.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said Western nationals trapped in Kuwait and Iraq would be moved to key military and economic installations to guard against attack by Western forces in the gulf.

The Foreign Ministry confirmed a report earlier Sunday by a French woman interviewed by the television network TF1, who said her husband had been part of the group.

The unidentified woman said her husband, a businessman trapped in Kuwait, had first been moved from Kuwait city to a Baghdad hotel with other French nationals.

She said a representative of the French embassy in Baghdad had been able to visit the French nationals daily until Thursday, when he saw several buses parked outside the hotel.

''An hour later, he saw the French group, along with some British and Americans, put on board the bus, which left for an unknown destination,'' the woman said.

There are an estimated 210 French nationals in Iraq and 270 in Kuwait.

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LEWES, DE (AUG. 19) UPI - A Panamanian tanker and a barge carrying more than 7 million gallons of gasoline and heating oil collided in the Delaware Bay early Sunday, spilling 150,000 gallons of gas into the water, authorities said.

Because of Sunday's high temperatures, the Coast Guard said, the gas was evaporating quickly and was not expected to threaten the Delaware or New Jersey shorelines.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration said, however, that a fish kill is likely.

No one was injured in the collision, which occurred about 4 miles off the Delaware shoreline about 12:45 a.m., the Coast Guard said. The barge Ocean 192, which was being pushed by the tugboat Independence, collided with the tanker Faith 1, said Cmdr. Donald Gilbert of the Coast Guard Marine Safety Office in Philadelphia.

The barge, headed from Marcus Hook, Pa., to Boston, was loaded with 7.1 million gallons of gasoline and No. 2 heating oil, Gilbert said. The

collision ruptured a cargo tank in the rear of the barge, which was loaded with 600,000 gallons of gasoline.

Gilbert said about 150,000 gallons spewed into Delaware Bay, the waterway connecting Wilmington, Del., Philadelphia, Camden, N.J., and other upstream cities on the Delaware River with the Atlantic Ocean. The remaining fuel on the barge was transferred to another barge.

''Both vessels are now at Big Stone Anchorage,'' Gilbert said. ''The exact circumstances of the collision are unknown at this time, but they are under investigation.''

Authorities will let the spilled gasoline evaporate, Gilbert said.

''For gas, the safest thing is to just let it dissipate. The vapors can be highly explosive,'' he said.

The tanker sustained some hull damage to the front of the ship, but its cargo tanks were not damaged. The Faith 1 was carrying catalytic feeder stock which is used in the petroleum-refining process, and was headed to Coastal Eagle Point in New Jersey. No one was injured in the collision.

Coast Guard vessels established a large safety zone to keep ships and boats from getting too close to the gasoline spill, Gilbert said.

''That area is closed to traffic,'' Gilbert said. ''In the case of commercial traffic, we're evaluating on a case-by-case basis.''

The Cape May-Lewes ferry, which operates between the New Jersey and Delaware shores, was unaffected by the gas spill and subsequent closing of the area.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 19) UPI - President Bush, picking up a torch last raised by President Jimmy Carter, has once again called on Americans to save energy. But his own commitment to conservation - such as requiring more fuel-efficient cars - appears wishy-washy at best.

As with Carter's 1977 call for an energy conservation campaign that would be the ''moral equivalent of war,'' Bush's appeal comes amidst Mideast turbulence that has rudely reminded the United States of its heavy dependence on foreign oil by pushing up gasoline prices 15 cents a gallon within a week.

However, conservation proponents are not expecting any bold new energy efficiency policies from the administration anytime soon.

Marc Ledbetter, senior associate with the American Council for Energy-Efficient Economy, said he detected no sense of urgency about America's foreign oil addiction when he met with Energy Department officials last week to push sweeping new conservation initiatives.

''One of the underlying assumptions (among department officials) was we are not facing an energy crisis and consequently strong measures are not needed,'' Ledbetter said.

''They are not looking at anything that would be more than modest changes '' he said. ''We don't expect them to do anything significant.''

On a personal level, Bush's dedication to saving energy also appears questionable. Shortly after going on national television to urge Americans to cut back on unnecessary energy use, Bush was roaring around his oceanfront vacation home in Kennebunkport, Maine, in his huge powerboat, Fidelity, which reportedly guzzles 25 gallons of gasoline an hour.

Fortunately for Bush, the nation is better equipped to cope with oil shocks now than it was in the 1970s due to widespread energy efficiency improvements brought on by Carter's efforts and the high oil prices of the past.

The clearest evidence of the country's progress: U.S. energy consumption has increased only 8 percent since 1973 while the economy has grown by 50 percent.

The picture promises to brighten further as renewable energy sources such as solar, wind and geothermal power become cheaper and more cost-competitive.

The bad news is the drive for greater efficiency has virtually disappeared in the last two years, even though the nation still uses twice as much energy to produce a dollar's worth of goods as Europe and Japan.

Worse, declining domestic oil production and enticingly low oil prices during the 1980s revived the American appetite for foreign imports and sent the country back to the bad old days of the late 1970s.

The United States now imports 8.4 million barrels a day - approaching the 1979 level of 8.5 million barrels a day. Foreign oil supplied a record 50 percent of U.S. demand in the first half of 1990, with 25 percent coming from the Middle East.

When faced with his energy crisis, Carter launched a crash national program to reduce oil use and develop synthetic fuels derived from domestic resources such as coal and oil shale. The effort had mixed

success, with real strides being made in conservation while synfuels flopped because of high cost.

But with the nation now re-entering the danger zone, Bush has done little to encourage conservation or alternative energy sources. To date, his Energy Department has put forward only a few minor initiatives to promote more efficient lighting and building insulation codes, accelerate the commercialization of solar energy and expand hydropower.

While administration officials touted it as a ''major initiative,'' Ledbetter said, ''I think it was a fairly small package that was not nearly as bold as the way it was sold. The package was not aggressive.''

The one Bush proposal that could have greatly reduced in U.S. oil consumption - mass production of cars that could run on natural gas or grain alcohol - was largely abandoned by the administration in the face of strong opposition by the influential Big Oil and Big Auto lobbies.

At the same time, the administration has resisted efforts in Congress to raise fuel economy requirements for new cars to 40 miles per gallon by the year 2000.

That legislation, likely to be taken up by the Senate this fall, could reduce U.S. oil demand by 2.8 million barrels per day - one-third of current oil imports.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 19) UPI - Three youths convicted of raping and brutally beating a female jogger in Central Park spent Sunday at the Rikers Island jail as supporters of the teens criticized a judge's decision to revoke bail in the case.

Yusef Salaam, 16, Antron McCray, 16, and Raymond Santana, 15, were found guilty Saturday of rape, assault and a series of lesser charges in the April 19, 1989, attack on the jogger. But the trio was cleared of attempted murder, the most serious charge against them.

McCray's father, Bobby McCray, Sunday knocked down television and radio equipment outside his Harlem apartment building as reporters gathered for a news conference by the Rev. Al Sharpton, who has been a family adviser.

The flamboyant minister said the elder McCray was ''very upset his son is on Rikers'' and criticized Justice Thomas Galligan's decision to revoke bail for Salaam and McCray. Santana has been unable to make bail.

Sharpton said holding the three on Rikers represented a ''double

standard'' for black defendants because tax cheat Leona Helmsley and the Howard Beach racial killers were allowed to remain free on bail after their convictions pending appeals.

Sharpton said the McCray family would use bail money to fund an appeal.

The three youths face five to 10 years in prison when they are sentenced Sept. 11.

The three were part of a gang of about 30 teenagers who entered moonlit Central Park on April 19, 1989, with plans to go ''wilding'' - randomly beating and mugging passers-by.

During the two-hour rampage, the gang attacked a homeless man, a couple on a tandem bicycle and a male bicyclist before attacking the woman jogger, who was beaten, reportedly raped and left for dead.

The trial was the first in a series for six youths indicted in the attack. The others will go to trial at a later date.

Howard Diller, a lawyer for one of the remaining defendants, Kevin Richardson, said he was ''distressed'' the judge would not let the defendants remain free.

He said the three teens ''should have been enjoying the full benefits of our legal system,'' especially in light of what he called their ''good track record.''

Colin Moore, the lawyer for Kharey Wise, who is awaiting a separate trial for rape and attempted murder of the jogger, called Saturday's verdict ''a travesty of justice.''

''I think it was a compromise verdict,'' he said, noting the trio was cleared of the attempted murder charge. ''It was not a logical verdict.

''I think the jurors were obviously correct in exonerating the defendants on attempted murder, because there was no intent.''

But, he said, ''The jurors should have displayed courage and exonerated them of rape. There was no evidence, therefore there was no crime.''

He said there were ''extensive DNA tests and none connected'' the defendants to the victim.

If sentenced to jail time, the three teens would be held in a juvenile detention center until age 18, then transferred to an adult prison to finish the sentence.

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#90231u0515 08/19/1990 ~United Press International
KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 19) UPI - President Bush interrupted his three-week vacation in Maine for a second time Sunday to head back to Washington to meet with national security advisers about the escalating crisis in the Persian Gulf.

Bush was to return to the White House from his seaside home in Kennebunkport at 5:30 p.m. for a dinner meeting an hour later with senior aides.

One of the most perplexing problems confronting the president is the fate of an estimated 3,000 Americans trapped in Kuwait and Iraq.

Bush, looking subdued as he left St. Ann's Episcopal Church in Kennebunkport early Sunday, ignored a question by a reporter about Ambassador Thomas Pickering's use of the word ''hostage'' at the U.N. late Saturday to describe those held by Baghdad.

Bush interrupted his working vacation last week for a 21-hour visit to Washington where he conferred with aides, held a news conference and received a Pentagon briefing.

Bush was to meet at the White House Monday with economic and energy advisers, and then go to Baltimore for a previously scheduled address to the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Aides said Bush was likely to focus his remarks to the veterans on his showdown in the oil-rich gulf with Iraq's Saddam Hussein.

During Sunday's church service at St. Ann's Episcopal Church, the Rev. Laman Bruner asked the congregation to pray with him that God would ''uphold the hand of our president ... in the Middle East'' and would protect those held against their will.

Following Bush's address to the VFW Monday, he was to attend a GOP fundraiser in Rhode Island, and then return to Kennebunkport.

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#90231u0554 08/19/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 19) UPI - Saudi Arabia television reports an alleged suicide mission against Iraqis in Kuwait that killed many soldiers. The Saudi report- quoting Kuwaiti Radio- says a so-called ''resistance hero'' drove a car loaded with explosives at a hospital in Kuwait City being used by Iraqi soldiers... and killed many of them. Further details were NOT available.

Iraq has issued a new order for all Westerners in occupied Kuwait to assemble at three hotels. Baghdad warns that if they fail to comply, their governments will bear ''full responsibility for the consequences.'' Baghdad Radio says the measure is ''to guarantee their safety.'' An estimated 25-hundred American citizens are in Kuwait, and another 500 in Iraq.

In Washington, a State Department spokesman said there is NO change in U-S policy toward Iraq. The government has NOT asked U-S citizens to comply with the various Iraqi demands. The White House says President Bush is ''deeply concerned'' about the latest Iraqi threats to relocate Americans and other foreigners trapped in Iraq and Kuwait, and to withhold adequate food from them.

The first casualty of the U-S deployment in Saudi Arabia was eulogized yesterday as a ''peacemaker'' who died ''so children may NEVER have to fight in a war.'' Air Force Staff Sergeant John Campisi of West Covina, California, was killed one week ago today when he was hit by a truck on a darkened runway in Saudi Arabia. Covina is the father of four young children.

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#90231u0566 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - The Philippine armed forces are on full alert today in the wake of new violence that comes amid threats of another possible coup attempt against President Aquino. Authorities report four bombings last night and early this morning in Manila. Officials also say armed men shot and killed a police officer last night as he was riding his motorcycle home in Quezon City, a suburb of Manila.

Three New York teen-agers face five to 10 years in prison after being found guilty yesterday of beating and gang-raping a female investment banker while she was jogging last year through Central Park. The youths will be sentenced September 11th. Their lawyers say they're considering appealing the convictions. Three other youths indicted in the case are to be tried later.

Officials say an inmate hospitalized after last week's bloody riot in New York's Rikers Island prison complex died yesterday. Authorities are investigating whether the death of 36-year-old Steven Glover was caused by injuries from an alleged retaliatory beating by guards. Another inmate was found dead in his cell after the clash, but his death was ascribed to a heart attack.

NASA officials have pinpointed three different problems that may have thrown the Magellan probe into protective hibernation last week as it

orbited Venus. Project managers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, now believe it may take 10 days to two weeks to fully understand and correct the problems. The satellite is on a map-making mission.

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#90231u0569 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 19) UPI - Britain urged its citizens in Iraq and Kuwait Sunday to stay indoors and keep ''a low profile,'' but not to resist if Iraqi authorities come to round them up.

The advisory by the Foreign Office came a day after a group of 50 foreign nationals, including 40 Britons, five Americans, four Germans and one Frenchman, were taken from Kuwait hotels and checkpoints to unknown destinations. The roundup was followed Sunday by Iraqi orders for all Westerners to report to three hotels in Kuwait.

A Foreign Office spokesman said he had no further information on the whereabouts of the group, who were detained after Iraq declared Friday it would play ''host'' to Westerners in Kuwait and Iraq until the threat of war was over.

''The British government views these actions with the very gravest concern. It will bring the greatest possible pressure to bear on the Iraqi government to reverse them,'' the Foreign Office said in a message broadcast on the British Broadcasting Corp. World Service.

The Foreign Office advised some 4,700 Britons in Kuwait and Iraq to ''stay at home and maintain a low profile.'' But if Iraqi authorities tried to detain them they should not offer resistance.

Iraq told foreigners Sunday to report to three hotels in Kuwait and warned that anyone ''who does not respond to this call, he and his government should shoulder full responsibility towards the grave consequences that may be committed by hostile elements.''

The Foreign Office, after receiving clarification of the order from Iraq through the British embassy in Kuwait, said: ''The Iraqis have said that those who report to the hotels as instructed will be transferred to what are described as key installations in Kuwait and Iraq.''

''Those who do not report to the hotels will be rounded up and taken direct to the sites,'' the Foreign Office said.

Meanwhile, several Britons who managed to flee from Kuwait to Saudi Arabia arrived at London's Gatwick Airport.

Among the escapees was Jennie King, 28, who dyed her fair hair dark and dressed as a Bedouin Arab to make the desert escape in a four-wheel vehicle. King said she and others in Kuwait had huddled around their raen like,'' a tearful King told the BBC. ''The BBC World Service has been our only link with the outside world. Everyone knows the theme tune to that radio program extremely well now and every single word is dissected until the next hour's bulletin.''

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#90231u0630 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

Baltimore - Placed pitcher Mark Williamson on 15-day disabled list; recalled pitcher Jose Bautista from Rochester of the International League (AAA).

California - Placed pitcher Bert Blyleven on 15-day disabled list, retroactive to Aug. 11; recalled pitcher Joe Grahe from Edmonton of the Pacific Coast League (AAA).

Chicago (NL) - Optioned pitcher Lance Dickson to Iowa of the American Association (AAA); purchased contract of pitcher Dave Pavlas from Iowa.

New York (AL) - Extended contract of Manager Stump Merrill through 1992 season.

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#90231u0645 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - In Saudi Arabia, Defense Secretary Cheney says U-S warships are tracking Iraqi ships across the Persian Gulf to ensure the vessels do NOT break the trade embargo against Iraq. Cheney also says U-S forces in the region are now strong enough to make Iraq ''pay a price'' if President Saddam Hussein is- quote- ''foolish enough'' to invade Saudi Arabia.

Iraq today ordered all Westerners in occupied Kuwait to report to three hotels. Baghdad Radio says the order is to guarantee their safety. And Saudi Arabian television reports that Kuwaiti guerrillas carried out a suicide mission against Iraqis in Kuwait. The Saudi report says there are a large number of Iraqi casualties. The report could NOT be independently confirmed.

A newspaper in Tunis says a group of Tunisians who managed to flee occupied Kuwait described serious food shortages and continuing resistance

to Iraqi troops in the tiny Gulf nation. The Tunisians say they did NOT feel threatened by Iraqi troops... but Iraqis did show disdain for all Westerners. One Tunisian said- ''The Americans and the British are the most hated.''

Reports from Israel say Israeli soldiers today shot and killed one of two men wearing Jordanian army uniforms who opened fire as they crossed into Israeli-occupied territory. An army spokesman says the other Jordanian was wounded... and NO Israelis were hurt. Security officials told the Cabinet that the infiltration attempt was NOT connected to the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

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#90231u0664 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - President Bush has signed into law a comprehensive bill to combat AIDS. The bill was named in honor of Ryan White, the Indiana boy whose struggle against the deadly virus drew public attention to the plight of AIDS victims. The new law approves up to 881-Million dollars in federal grants in 1990... and a total of four-BILLION 500-Million in grants through 1995 to provide medical assistance in regions with high numbers of AIDS cases.

Leftist rebels are demanding that the Salvadoran government disclose what it knows about the killing of six Jesuit priests in El Salvador last November. The demand came yesterday on the second day of peace talks in Costa Rica between the government and F-M-L-N rebels. Soldiers from a U-S-trained Salvadoran army battalion were responsible for killing the six Jesuits and two women.

The premier of the Soviet Russian republic has sent an open letter personally inviting exiled writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn to return to his homeland. But Solzhenitsyn's wife, Natalia, told the Communist Party newspaper Pravda that the Soviet government must still remove a treason charge and apologize for his forced expulsion in 1974. Soviet officials have NO objection to his return.

The Vatican says it will consider subjecting the famed ''Shroud of Turin'' to new tests to determine whether it is the authentic burial cloth of Jesus. A series of three radio-carbon tests of the shroud in 1988 commissioned by the Holy See concluded the shroud was NOT a genuine historic relic. Tests dated it only to between the years 1260 and 1390... long after Christ's death.

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#90231u0730 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AUG. 19) UPI - In the intense heat of the desert,

soldiers cannot run very far, least of all into battle, and Saudi Arabia's unforgiving environment has made water the vital fuel of both the U.S. military machine and its multi-billion-dollar weaponry.

A massive logistical operation is underway in the sun-blasted deserts to quench the thirst of the military men and women whose mission is to counter the moves of Iraq's Saddam Hussein.

''I've been here about 20 minutes and I've already drunk half a canteen,'' gasped a dazed and blinking U.S. Marine named John, following a 26-hour flight from the United States.

U.S. troops assembling for deployment cradle their M-16 assault rifles in one hand and large plastic drink bottles in the other. Platoon leaders bark out orders for their men to drink at least a quart of fluids an hour, required to replace water lost in constant sweating.

Noon temperatures under hazy-blue skies usually level off at about 115 degrees, an oven-like atmosphere enhanced by thick humidity created by the nearby gulf.

The daily inferno conspires with sandstorms and dust that seems capable of getting into anything, making machinery maintainence a never-ending task.

Soldiers occupy vehicles on which an egg can easily be fried in the midday sun.

''First of all I vomited, and then I had stomach cramps and no energy,'' Sam, a trooper from Puerto Rico, said of his experience of heat fatigue. ''But then they re-energized me, and I was ready to go again.''

American medical personnel at one air base daily treat between 15 and 30 soldiers for heat exhaustion inside a 50-bed, fully air-conditioned tent.

On a recent visit to the MASH-type facility, one trooper lay quietly on a stretcher, a saline drip inserted in his arm as he rested under the cool breeze of a fan.

His mistake had been to keep working without drinking; the effect was swift and crushing.

Maj. Richard Williams, commander of the field hospital, said all heat-related ailments so far have been minor, requiring only swift rehydration. But serious water shortage could lead to a heat stroke, which could in turn lead to brain damage.

''The order is drink, drink, drink,'' Williams said. ''The sun is just as hot for everybody. (The Iraqis) have been living in it, but in a couple of

weeks we will acclimatize.''

Many of the soldiers have trained in similar conditions in the deserts of Nevada and Califronia, but the possibility that the American military presence in Saudi Arabia could be a protracted stalemate has made longterm water supplies vital.

U.S. military authorities plan to fly in massive ice-making machines to supplement Dhahran's over-stressed factory, whose daily output of 6,000 pounds is swiftly consumed.

U.S. officials said experts have checked local water supplies for chemical and bacterial content at key staging areas in the unpopulated border areas along Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, where most U.S. troops will be deployed.

Water tankers have been given as key a place in the military airlift as armor and weaponry to ensure that GI throats aren't parched.

For most U.S. personnel, it's simply a matter of adjusting to an unremitting daily bout with heat and dust.

''The tide just ain't coming in,'' said a staff sergeant named Sean, kicking the sand as he mused about his home in Hawaii. ''But we're certainly going to get a good suntan.''

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#90231u0765 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - Iraq is trying to construct a human shield of foreigners to protect against U-S attack. It wants all Westerners and Australians in occupied Kuwait to report to three hotels. Baghdad warns the governments of those who fail to comply will bear what it terms- ''full responsibility for the consequences.''

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney is in Saudi Arabia to assess Washington's response to the Persian Gulf crisis. Cheney says American forces in the region are now strong enough to make Iraq ''pay a price'' if it tries to invade Saudi Arabia. 45-thousand U-S troops are scheduled to be deployed in Saudi Arabia.

Police and army units equipped with teargas, birdshot and rubber bullets have NOT been enough to halt factional fighting between rival black groups in Soweto, South Africa. The death toll has now soared past 270. At least 11-hundred people have been injured in the seven days of fighting.

The Israeli army says its troops shot and killed a Jordanian soldier and wounded a second one today after the two crossed the border into Israel. Army officials say the Jordanians were gunned down after they opened fire.

NO Israelis were wounded. Officials say the incident was NOT connected to the current gulf crisis.

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#90231u0767 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - Some doctors now believe there's nothing new about a sometimes fatal blood disorder traced to the dietary supplement L-tryptophan . The health officials say the blood disorder has apparently been around for at least 10 years. The Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta first reported cases of the disease last year.

A Rahway, New Jersey, man who was arrested in the war-torn African nation of Liberia this month is now free. The family of Andrew Voros says it got a telephone call from the State Department yesterday saying the 33-year-old environmentalist had been released. Voros was placed on a boat taking refugees away from Liberia.

Georgia's Department of Natural Resources says it will warn hunters to be on the lookout for angry animal rights protesters. The warnings are part of a plan to control possible violence between hunters and activists who may try to stop them. One activist says such activity is less popular in Georgia because- in her words- ''It's sort of a redneck area.''

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#90231u0770 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 19) UPI - Cash-strapped developer Donald Trump was scheduled to appear in a Manhattan courtroom Monday to answer a complaint filed by his estranged wife, Ivana, who is seeking a larger chunk of his fortune.

Justice Phyllis Gangel-Jacobs of the state Supreme Court in Manhattan recently ruled the real estate mogul could be questioned by Ivana's attorneys about his alleged relationship with model Marla Maples.

The judge even said there were possible Trump ''concealments'' - or hidden assets - that should be considered at trial.

Ivana Trump brought her husband to court over an agreement they signed on Christmas Eve 1987 that would award Ivana $25 milllion and certain properties should the couple separate.

Ivana's lawyers say she is entitled to a larger share of her husband's fortune, even though Trump's attorney, Jay Goldberg, calls the agreement rock solid.

Ivana Trump's attorney, Michael Kennedy, claims the deal was fraudulently

obtained.

The lawyer said the document was obtained by Trump as he pledged his love under false pretenses - while he was dating Maples on the side.

Kennedy said that if his client knew of any extramarital affair she would not have signed the agreement.

Since the couple's separation earlier this year, Trump's fortunes have taken a few turns for the worse, as he failed to meet a deadline to make interest payments on bonds that financed one of his New Jersey casinos.

The New Jersey Casino Control Commission said it will rule Tuesday on Trump's plan plan to meet interest payments on more than $1 billion of his debt with a $65 million emergency loan.

If the plan is rejected he would have to surrender his interest in three casinos and, according to his attorneys, be forced into bankruptcy.

He previously made a deal with 70 banks to handle delayed debt deadlines to help him through his cash flow crunch, which hit just prior to the unveiling of his latest prize, the Taj Mahal casino in Atlantic City.

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#90231u0940 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - The State Department says it doesN'T expect Americans in Kuwait to comply with an Iraqi demand aimed at constructing a human shield against U-S attack. Iraq warned that any Westerners who fail to report to three hotels in Kuwait will face ''grave consequences.'' America's U-N Ambassador Thomas Pickering says Iraq's plans to hold the Americans at military installations makes it clear that they will be hostages.

The U-S airline industry is feeling the pressure caused by the Persian Gulf crisis. The nation's carriers are dealing with problems ranging from rising fuel prices to military demands for their pilots and planes. Airlines are being asked to provide planes under the never implemented Civil Reserve Air Fleet program. Many airline pilots are members of the military reserve who have been called up for active duty.

A black Memphis minister is inviting dissatisfied members of the predominantly white Southern Baptist Convention to join his group. Southern Baptist moderates have been pitted against fundamentalists in a decade-long battle for control of the church group. The Reverend Fred Lofton says the fight is ''pathetic'' and moderates are welcome to join the mostly black Progressive Baptists.

Yugoslavia's Serbian minority is going to the polls today to vote on a

referendum on autonomy. The issue has caused increased ethnic tensions in the Croatian republic, home to 600-thousand Serbs. The ballot asks only if voters are ''for or against'' Serbian autonomy. The vote is expected to be almost unanimously in favor of autonomy.

Police were called in to break up demonstrations in East and West Germany marking the third anniversary of the death of Nazi war criminal Rudolf Hess. West German police yesterday arrested 54 people in Wunsiedel, where leftists clashed with neo-Nazis. Hess is buried in Wunsiedel. In East Berlin, 70 youths armed with knives and stones attacked members of the ultra-right Republican party.

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#90231u0958 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein announced Sunday that nationals from five European countries would be permitted to leave Iraq and said he would release other Western foreigners if the United Nations promised that U.S. troops would pull out of the region.

Barring that, Saddam said he would accept a ''commitment and a clear written pledge'' from President Bush that he will withdraw U.S. troops from the Persian Gulf and Saudi Arabia as fast as they were dispatched there.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater dismissed the offer to free the foreigners as an example of the ''daily seminar of Iraqi ridicule.''

''It doesn't improve the prospects for resolving the crisis,'' he said aboard Air Force One on a trip from Kennebunkport, Maine, to Washington with President Bush.

Iraq, meanwhile, appeared to be moving to set up its human shield of foreigners, reportedly busing French, U.S. and British nationals from a Baghdad hotel to an unknown location.

Continued international outrage failed to deter Iraq from taking steps to implement its stated intention to place foreigners at key economic and military sites to guard against attack from Western forces.

Iraq ordered U.S., British, Australian and other Western nationals in Kuwait to congregate at three hotels in Kuwait City, an order first issued last week but never enforced.

''One who does not respond to this call, he and his government should shoulder full responsibility towards the grave consequences that may be committed by hostile elements,'' the Iraqi Foreign Ministry warned in a statement Sunday.

A group of 50 foreigners - 40 Britons, five Americans, four Germans and one French - were taken Saturday from Kuwaiti hotels and checkpoints to undisclosed locations, British officials said.

An unidentified woman told French television that her husband was among the group. The French Foreign Ministry confirmed that a French Embassy representative witnessed the incident.

Thirty-five Americans found shelter from the Iraqi roundup by hiding out in diplomatic headquarters, CBS News reported. ''We're not going to allow our people to be just simply herded up like sheep and made to go places against their will without trying to help,'' said Joe Wilson IV, the U.S. charge d'Affaires in Baghdad.

The United States and Britain said they remained determined to enforce U.N. economic sanctions imposed against Iraq following its Aug. 2 invasion of tiny Kuwait. The U.N. Security Council voted Saturday to demand that Iraq allow foreigners to leave. The council's five permanent members met Sunday to consider stronger sanctions against Iraq.

There are an estimated 20,000 Westerners in Iraq and Kuwait, including approximately 3,000 Americans and 4,500 Britons.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, in Saudi Arabia touring military bases, told Pentagon pool reporters that U.S. warships were shadowing two Iraqi tankers that failed to stop Saturday when warning shots were fired across their bows.

''We want to give them every opportunity to turn around and change course '' Fitzwater said.

It was not clear whether the U.S. warships would attack the tankers if they attempted to unload their shipments of oil. Military sources told the pool that the Navy may attempt to shoot at the rudders of the ships and disable them.

The Sudanese government complained U.S. warships and planes had intercepted a cargo ship on its way to the Red Sea port of Aqaba to pick up 500 Sudanese nationals who had fled from Kuwait to Jordan.

France, concerned over reports 27 French nationals were among those bused from the Baghdad hotel to an unknown location, may have ordered its ships in the region to join in the enforcement of the embargo, military sources said.

Previously, France had maintained that to fire at Iraqi cargo vessels would be an act of war.

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#90231u0981 08/19/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 20) UPI - DIGEST:

Baseball

Pitcher Chien Fu Kuo Lee of Chinese Taipei was honored as Most Valuable Player in the World Baseball Championships. Six of the 12 players named to the all-star team were from Cuba. Brent Gates was chosen as team MVP for the United States, although no U.S. player made the all-star squad.

Cycling

Charles Mottet outsprinted three perennial rivals Sunday to become the first-ever Frenchman to win the Championship of Zurich World Cup race. Mottet covered the 240 kilometers (149.16 miles) in 6 hours, 7 minutes, 8 seconds, averaging 39.228 kph. Mottet and reigning World Champion Greg LeMond were accompanied by Italian Claudio Chiapucci and Spaniard Marino Lajerreta. As they neared the finish line LeMond shot past Chiapucci but was overtaken by Mottet in the last few meters, giving the Frenchman the win by the narrowest of margins.

Rugby

The Australian club, Wallabies, defeated the New Zealand All Blacks to bring to an end a streak of 50 consecutive match victories by the New Zealanders, including 23 international matches, dating back to 1986.

Swimming

The World Championships, to be held in Perth, Australia in January 1991, will see the first appearance of a single German team. An agreement was reached after East German swimming association (DSSV) chairman Wilfried Windorf told representatives of West Germany's swimming associations (DSV) led by chairman Bodo Hollmann, that the regional swimming associations of East Germany will apply for integration with the DSV in September.

Track and Field

A record number of nations have confirmed they will be sending teams to the 15th European Track and Field Championships set to start Aug. 27, in Split, Yugoslavia. Antun Vrdoljak, chairman of the organizing committee confirmed that applications are in from 34 nations - five more than competed at the last European Championships at Stuttgart, West Germany, four years ago. He said they were expecting more to arrive between now and when the championships started.

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#90231u1025 08/19/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 19) UPI - School children in Bulgaria will NO longer be made to memorize Marxist poetry when classes begin in September. The official Bulgarian news agency describes the changes in the curriculum as ''cosmetic.'' The agency quotes the Bulgarian Education Ministry as saying the ''big changes are yet to come.''

Campaign documents revealed today show money from political action committees are pouring in to congressional candidates with the approaching November 6th elections. Some candidates are receiving nearly one-Million dollars in PAC funds. Business and labor groups contribute more than 80 percent of the total.

Doctors say a blood disorder linked to the deaths of at least 27 Americans last year may have been around 10 years ago. A doctor now with the National Institutes of Health wrote about a similar if NOT identical illness in 1980. The disorder is linked to the dietary supplement L-tryptophan.

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#90231u1066 08/19/1990 ~United Press International
SAN ANTONIO DE BELEN, COSTA RICA (AUG. 20) UPI - Peace talks between the Salvadoran government and leftist rebels hit a virtual standstill Sunday as the government refused to talk about institutional changes in the armed forces.

Francisco Mena Sandoval, a former army captain and now a commander of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, known as the FMLN, also questioned the ''moral authority'' of Col. Mauricio Vargas, the army's representative, to participate in the talks.

Vargas responded by saying, ''Mr. Mena Sandoval does not have the authority to question me about anything.''

Sunday was the third day of talks at a resort hotel in San Antonio de Belen, about 8 miles outside the Costa Rican capital of San Jose.

The talks centered on changes in the Salvadoran military, but the sides appeared further apart than at previous negotiating sessions, which are aimed at ending the decade-old war that has claimed more than 72,000 lives.

''The position of the government will not allow a single solution to the armed conflict,'' Mena said. ''The negotiations have one key - the armed forces as an institution.''

Vargas, however, said: ''We reject any type of debate over the army as an institution. We accept methods and procedures and are subject to perfections. I am not going to enter into a propoganda war with the FMLN.''

Vargas said the talks were moving ''slowly but surely,'' but indicated he did not expect any agreement over changes in the army. ''At the end, we can only hope that our words will be put into something concrete that will further the peace process.''

The FMLN put a new proposal on the table Friday that demanded the elimination of the internal security forces such as the civil guard and a promise by the government for the eventual elimination of the entire armed forces, before the rebels will agree to a cease-fire.

The proposal is much more extreme than former proposals in which the FMLN has asked for reductions in the army, the dismissal of many top officers and other changes, such as the end of miliatry control over public services.

U.N. representative Alvaro de Soto, who mediated the talks - the fourth round since May and the second in a row to be held in Costa Rica - said the new rebel position ''seem extreme but they don't necessarily have the effect of radicalizing their position.''

He said the proposal was more a political move, and added ''I think the negotiations are progressing, but they are progressing over the most difficult theme - the armed forces.''

Mena defended the harsher line, saying ''the army has pushed us to be like this.''

Asked if the harsher stance was to further the rebels' position in the event of a U.N.-devised, middle-of-the-road proposal, Mena said the FMLN was continuing to insist that any cease-fire proposal be negotiated by both sides, with the United Nations acting only as a mediator.

Rumours of a new rebel offensive this fall have clouded the talks, and many observers say the FMLN is waiting to apply military pressure on the army to strengthen their position before continuing seriously in the negotiations.

Both sides, however, are wary that their good faith in the talks will be determining factor in any further U.S. aid to the Salvadoran military.

De Soto said the United Nations would be reluctant to form a human rights panel before a cease-fire. ''The existence of a cease-fire allows us to assure whether conditions exist to carry out a verification,'' he said.

''Without such an arrangement, it would be far more difficult'' because of danger to U.N. officials.

He also said he would be willing to put up a middle-of-the-road proposal ''if both sides agree to it.''

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(AUG. 20) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Toronto	65	56	.537	-	32-29	33-27	6-4	W-3
Boston	64	55	.538	-	37-20	27-35	5-5	W-1
Baltimore	57	62	.479	7	27-28	30-34	3-7	W-1
Cleveland	56	64	.467	8 1/2	32-29	24-35	5-5	L-2
Detroit	56	66	.459	9 1/2	28-33	28-33	4-6	W-2
Milwaukee	53	66	.445	11	26-33	27-33	6-4	W-1
New York	49	70	.412	15	26-29	23-41	4-6	W-3
West								
Oakland	77	44	.636	-	40-22	37-22	8-2	L-1
Chicago	68	49	.581	7	34-26	34-23	4-6	L-1
Texas	62	58	.517	14 1/2	33-25	29-33	5-5	W-1
Seattle	60	61	.496	17	32-33	28-28	3-7	L-3
California	60	61	.496	17	32-30	28-31	7-3	L-1
Kansas City	58	62	.483	18 1/2	33-28	25-34	6-4	L-1
Minnesota	55	66	.455	22	29-33	26-33	4-6	L-5

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NEW YORK (AUG. 19) UPI - Stephen E. Smith, brother-in-law and former campaign manager of President John F. Kennedy, died early Sunday at his Manhattan home after a long illness, a Kennedy family spokesman said. He was 62.

Smith, the husband of Jean Kennedy Smith, had managed JFK's 1960 presidential campaign and served as a financial adviser to members of America's most famous family. He was also active in the development in Boston's John F. Kennedy Library.

Family members, including Mrs. Smith and Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., were with him when he died, said Kennedy spokesman Ed Martin. The nature of the illness was not disclosed.

''For 34 years, from the day he married Jean, Steve was like a brother in our family,'' Kennedy said. ''He was the wisest adviser and the most

skillful campaign manager and the best friend that any of us ever had.

''There wouldn't have been a Camelot without Steve Smith,'' Kennedy said.

Besides his wife, Smith is survived by two sons, William and Stephen E. Jr., and two daughers, Amanda and Kym.

A wake was to be held Monday evening at the Frank E. Campbell Funeral Home in Manhattan, funeral director Paul Horvath said. A funeral mass to be said Tuesday at St. Thomas Moore Church.

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#90231u1272 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - Iraq says it will let some Westerners leave, but that does NOT include the estimated three-thousand Americans stuck in Iraq and Kuwait. Saddam Hussein says the announcement involves an undetermined number of citizens from five European nations that have NOT sent troops or weapons to the gulf region.

The Americans trapped by Iraq will likely be a major topic of conversation during a dinner at the White House tonight. President Bush is interrupting his three-week vacation in Maine to return to Washington. Bush plans to dine with national security advers to discuss the escalating gulf crisis.

The Hartford Courant says a scientist who worked on the Hubble Space Telescope retired a year early in part because his company refused to run more tests on the costly telescope. The newspaper says Perkin-Elmer Corporation voted against the tests to save time and money. The one-and-a-half-BILLION-dollar telescope is now NOT focusing properly.

Hospital patients and senior citizens have been evacuated from an area of north central Indiana because of concern that a dam might break under heavy rain. Fulton County Sheriff officials at Rochester predict six-foot floodwaters if the dam at Lake Manitous does NOT hold.

East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere says the Social Democratic Party is ''evading responsibilities'' by breaking with the government. De Maiziere also says ''there was NO reason'' for today's party decision to leave the coalition government. The move threatens the timetable for German unity.

The first radar pictures from the Magellan Venus probe will be released Tuesday by project officials in Pasadena, California. The pictures were taken before a computer glitch that knocked out contact with the probe for 14 hours last week. But engineers are confident of preventing another blackout.

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#90231u1398 08/19/1990 ~United Press International
HONG KONG (AUG. 20) UPI - Five U.S. warships in an amphibious unit attached to the 7th Fleet left Hong Kong Monday for deployment in the turbulent Middle East, a spokesman said.

The five ships, whose home base is San Diego, arrived in the British colony Wednesday and the approximately 4,450 sailors and marines aboard enjoyed five days of liberty before setting out for their mission.

A spokesman at the U.S. Consulate in Hong Kong said the ships were scheduled ''for eventual deployment in the area of conflict in the Middle East.'' It made no mention of whether they would participate in the U.S. interdiction of Iraqi ships, prompted by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The ships were the Okinawa, an amphibious assault craft; the USS Durham, an amphibious cargo ship, the USS Ogden, an amphibious transport craft, the USS Fort McHenry, a dock landing ship, and the USS Cayuga, an amphibious transport ship.

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#90231u1505 08/19/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 19) UPI - Military sources in the Persian Gulf region say France may have ordered its ships to join in the enforcement of the U-N-embargo against Iraq. The Paris government has maintained that firing at an Iraqi vessel would be an act of war. But France may have changed its stance following reports that 27 French nationals were among those bused from a Baghdad hotel to an unknown location.

Baghdad had word today for relatives worried about foreigners trapped in Kuwait and Iraq. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says nationals from five European nations that have NOT sent arms or troops to the region will be allowed out. As for other foreigners, Iraq reportedly moved today in setting up its promised human shield of foreigners to guard against U-S attack.

South Africa says police and army units have inundated strife-torn areas in and around the nation's largest black township... but have failed to stop tribal-style fighting. Factional battles flared again today, pushing the death toll in the seventh day of fighting close to 300. Police say at least 11-hundred people have been injured in the battles between Zulu supporters and rivals of the African National Congress.

Officials at the Pasadena Jet Propulsion Laboratory say they are impressed by the quality of data collected by the Magellan Venus probe so far. Magellan science manager Tommy Thompson told reporters today that images

transmitted to Earth from the Venus-orbiting craft are much better than had been anticipated. The images, which are computer generated from radar beams, will be made public Tuesday.

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#90231u1594 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - The White House has dismissed a proposal by Iraq that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein said would have led to the freedom of Westerners detained in Iraq. Saddam said he'd allow the Westerners to leave his country after gaining assurances that U-S forces would withdraw from the Middle East. Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitwater said Saddam's offer ''doesN'T improve the prospects for resolving the crisis.''

It appears as if the Bush administration is delaying military action to enforce sanctions against Iraq. Defense Secretary Cheney confirmed one of two reports report of a U-S warship firing a warning shot at an Iraqi oil tanker yesterday. But both Iraqi vessels maintained their course through the Persian Gulf without further U-S action. An administration source implied that further U-S action is on hold as the U-N Security Council considers enforcing the embargo.

Three conservative parties remain in East Germany's four-month-old coalition goverment after today's pullout by the Social Democratic Party. The break leaves Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere short of a majority in parliament... and threatens the timetable of German unification. In Bonn, West German opposition leaders called for immediate unification in view of the events across the border.

A Kennedy family spokesman says Stephen Smith... the campaign manager and brother-in-law of President John F. Kennedy... died today following a lengthy illness. Smith headed J-F-K's 1960 presidential campaign and was a financial adviser to other Kennedy clan members. Smith's wife and Senator Edward Kennedy were with him when he died at his Manhattan home. In the words of Senator Kennedy- ''There wouldN'T have been a Camelot without Steve Smith.''

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#90231u1599 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - Reassuring words are being voiced following the nation's latest oil spill, this one involving 152-thousand gallons of gasoline in the Delaware Bay. A spokeswoman for Delaware Governor Mike Castle says the spill poses NO threat to public safety. The Coast Guard predicts that the spill will have dissipated by day's end. The gas spewed after the collision of a Panamanian tanker and a barge.

The company that made the Hubble Space Telescope may want to hang signs

reading ''haste makes waste'' on its walls. A Connecticut newspaper says the firm failed to listen to scientists who urged more testing on the one-and-a-half-BILLION-dollar telescope. NASA says something as simple as a misplaced washer may be keeping the telescope out of focus.

Illinois Senator Paul Simon leads all congressional candidates in money received from labor political action groups. However, the Democrat's PAC cash is NOT even half the amount collected by his Republican rival from business PAC's. Simon's opponent, Lynn Martin, has collected more than 793-thousand dollars from business PAC's... while Simon has drawn 307-thousand from labor interests. The figures are based on reports filed with the Federal Election Commission.

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#90231u1669 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - President Bush is spending the night at the White House, with his vacation interrupted a second time by the mounting tension in the Persian Gulf.

Bush left his coastal Maine home this afternoon in order to dine with his national security advisers in Washington tonight. One aide describes the meal and conversation as a ''status review meeting.''

But crisis is NOT the only factor in Bush's trip to Washington. It is also proving convenient, since Bush was already due in nearby Baltimore tomorrow to address the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Bush has scheduled meetings tomorrow morning on the energy and economic implications of the gulf crisis before his speech to the V-F-W. He returns to Kennebunkport tomorrow afternoon after a G-O-P fund-raiser in Rhode Island.

Bush's return comes as the Pentagon awaits his order to mobilize military reservists to add to the massive deployment of U-S forces in Saudi Arabia.

Scientists with the Magellan Venus probe project spent the day shifting through reams of data in Pasadena, California.

Engineers are trying to figure out what caused the probe to lose contact with Earth for more than 14 hours before re-establishing contact last week.

Initial results indicate that three apparently unrelated problems caused the blackout. Scientists are optimistic that they can prevent it from happening again.

Despite the trouble, project officials scheduled a news conference Tuesday to release the first radar pictures from Magellan. Magellan science

manager Tommy Thompson is NOT discussing them, saying only- ''we got something exciting.''

But other officials say the images show volcanos and lava flows... things usually hidden from view by clouds that blanket Venus.

The probe's 551-Million-dollar 243-day mission is designed to map at least 90 percent of the planet's surface.

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#90231u1673 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - Attempts by South African police and army troops to stop a week of factional fighting is failing. The death toll has risen to nearly 300.

Police and troops moved into Soweto in force yesterday, using rubber bullets, tear gas and birdshot in feeble attempts to stop the widespread conflict.

The tribal-style fighting spilled into Soweto from a cluster of three townships east of Johannesburg three days ago. Since then, the nation's largest black township has seen the worst violence.

Witnesses say two groups clashed early today on one of Soweto's dirt highways, leaving the wounded screaming for aid.

Other residents say they saw a roving mob grab a man suspected of belonging to a rival faction, and club him senseless before setting him on fire.

The fighting has involved mostly hand-to-hand battles between Zulu supporters and rivals of the African National Congress movement.

A deluge in Indiana threatening a dam today has led officials to evacuate a hospital and a senior citizens center.

Water is spilling from Lake Manitou in the north central part of the Hoosier state. If the dam does NOT hold... officials estimate that six-foot floodwaters will occur within about 30 minutes after the dam's failure.

The sheriff's department at Rochester evacuated 28 patients from Woodlawn Hospital and about 50 residents from a senior citizens center... ironically named Waterhaven.

But a similar scare in western Wisconsin has eased. About 15-hundred people returned to their homes in the town of Tomah... where a threat of

dam breakage yesterday caused their evacuation.

The town fire chief says Tomah Lake has receded about two feet... after flooding 250 homes and causing about three-Million-dollars worth of damage.

However... parts of Wisconsin continued to get heavy rains and tornadoes today. Rain also flooded low-lying parts of Ohio.

In addition.. dime-size hail and winds gusting between 60 and 70 miles-an-hour were reported in the Texas Panhandle and central Oklahoma.

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#90231u1677 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - The late Pearl Bailey is to receive what her manager calls a ''regular, plain funeral'' in Philadelphia this week... and the public is invited.

Manager E-B Bailey says the jazz and blues singer's family is in the City of Brotherly Love and she was raised there.

The funeral service will be held Thursday at the Deliverence Evangelistic Church in Philadelphia... followed by burial at the Rolling Green Memorial Park... where Bailey's mother and brother are buried.

In Smith's words- Bailey ''loved everybody she met'' and ''treated everybody equally... so anyone who wants to come, let them come.''

Song-and-dance man Cab Calloway has asked to be one of the six pallbearers.

The 72-year-old Bailey had a history of heart trouble and collapsed Friday night at a hotel in Philadelphia... where she was recuperating from successful knee surgery performed in July.

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#90231u1767 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater referred to today's Iraqi overture to ease Middle East tensions as an example of the- what Fitzwater called- the ''daily seminar of Iraqi ridicule.'' Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein said detained Westerners would be free to go if U-S troops left the region.

Despite international condemnation, Iraq appeared to be UNdeterred from using British, American, Australian and other Western nationals to form a shield around key Iraqi installations. Saddam is said to have rounded up a group of Western nationals yesterday.

The White House says it plans to enforce sanctions against Iraq despite the refusal of a pair of Iraqi tankers to heed warning shots from U-S warships. The American vessels are keeping an eye on the Iraqi ships. The Bush administration says its concern is that the vessels- ''not offload.''

South African officials say police and army troops have been largely ineffective in efforts to stem bloodshed between rival black groups. Authorities say seven days of intra-racial fighting has left nearly 300 people dead and another 11-hundred injured.

East Germany's Social Democrats followed through with an earlier threat and pulled out of East Berlin's coalition government today. The move left the remaining coalition nine votes short of a simple majority and cast doubts about the timetable of German unification.

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#90231u1769 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - Peace talks between Salvadoran rebels and government negotiators bogged down today in Costa Rica. The source of friction between the two sides was the future of the Salvadoran military. On Friday rebels proposed the eventual elimination of the armed forces before they will agree to a cease-fire.

The Coast Guard says it expects a 152-thousand-gallon gasoline spill in the Delaware Bay to dissipate before tomorrow. The gas was spilled into the waterway earlier today after a Panamanian tanker and a gas-carrying barge collided.

The Kennedy family is mourning the loss of Stephen Smith. A family spokesman says 62-year-old Smith... the manager of John F-Kennedy's 1960 presidential campaign... died earlier today at his Manhattan home. In the words of Senator Edward Kennedy- ''There wouldN'T have been a Camelot without Steve Smith.''

Israeli officials say there is NO link between today's penetration of the Jewish state's border by a pair of Jordanian soldiers and the deepening crisis in the Persian Gulf region. One of the soldiers was killed and the other was injured when they opened fire after an Israeli patrol told them to stop.

Officials in Rochester, Indiana, are monitoring a dam that they fear may give way under heavy rain. The dam at Lake Manitou showed signs of fatigue today and prompted the evacuation of a hospital and geriatric center. The Midwest was pounded by thunderstorms throughout the day.

Freight trains have resumed operations along the line between Winnipeg and Toronto after a group of militant indians ended their blockade of the

route. A spokesman for the Ontario Provincial Police said a marathon negotiating session led to the indians' agreement to end their action.

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#90231u1848 08/19/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 19) UPI - Civil rights activist Julian Bond says blacks have to get past what he terms the ''King dependency.'' In an interview published today Bond says few people ever will be as charismatic as the late Martin Luther King Junior. But Bond says even during the 1960's, King was NOT the only leader. The former state senator from Georgia says he thinks there is- in his words- ''abundant leadership potential out there.''

Afghan rebels have NOT commented on radio reports today that credit the guerrillas with killing six civilians in Kabul in a rocket attack. The report said U-S-backed rebels based west of the capital fired into residential sections of the city. For the past year, guerrillas have bombarded the capital almost daily. Despite surviving the rebel attacks, a source says the Moscow-backed government is concerned about the proximity of the rebels.

Israeli officials have detained a Jordanian soldier for questioning after he and a fellow soldier crossed the Jewish state's border earlier today. An Israeli border patrol confronted the pair and killed one soldier while slightly wounding the detained man. Israeli defense officials say the incident is isolated and NOT related to growing tensions in the region.

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#90232b0009 08/20/1990 ~Business Wire

BALTIMORE (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Allied Research Corp. (NASDAQ:ARAI) reported sales of $12.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 1990, compared with sales of $15.1 million for the like period in 1989.

The company reported an after-tax loss of $474,000, or 12 cents a common share, compared with a loss of $1.3 million, or 31 cents a common share for the like 1989 period.

Current backlog is $27 million, with additional orders currently in negotiation.

Sales for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were $20.9 million, compared with sales of $24 million for the like 1989 period. The company lost $2.6 million, or 64 cents a common share, in the first six months of 1990, compared with a loss of $2.57 million, or 63 cents a common share for the like period in 1989.

Allied Research Corp. designs, develops and produces high-technology

products and weapon systems for conventional defense needs.

Allied Research Corp.
Financial Highlights
(In thousands of dollars)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Sales and revenues	$12,469	$15,132
Net earnings (loss)	($474)	($1,275)
Net earnings (loss) per share	(12 cents)	(31 cents)
	Six Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Sales and revenues	$20,862	$24,199
Net earnings (loss)	($2,605)	($2,576)
Net earnings (loss) per share	(64 cents)	(63 cents)
Average shares outstanding	4,065,946	4,055,946

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#90232b0019 08/20/1990 ~Business Wire

CLEVELAND, OHIO (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - LDI Corporation (NASDAQ: LDIC) today announced that it expects second quarter financial results for the three months ended July 31, 1990, to be above last year's second quarter in revenues, net earnings, and earnings per share, and to be in line with analysts' expectations. Actual results are expected to be released in early September.

''Despite the unfavorable earnings comparisons of others in the computer and high-tech equipment leasing businesses, we foresee continuing strength in our earnings picture,'' said Robert S. Kendall, LDI chairman and chief executive officer. ''Our diversification strategy and conservative financial approach continue to serve us well.''

''These factors, combined with our strong balance sheet, should continue to help insulate LDI from the adversity that is affecting others in the industry. In addition, all major segments of our business have maintained good performance levels,'' Kendall said.

LDI Corporation, with headquarters in Cleveland, leases and sells a full range of new and used data processing equipment, telecommunications and other high-technology equipment, and provides maintenance, disaster recovery, technical support and related services. The Company's products include mainframe and mid-range central processing equipment and peripheral devices, as well as personal computers, telecommunications

equipment, computerized medical diagnostic systems, and selected capital equipment. LDI is also an active dealer in the secondary market for used data processing, telecommunications and related equipment.

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#90232b0032 08/20/1990 ~Business Wire

BROOMFIELD, CO (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Hathaway Corp. Monday announced that it achieved a net profit from continuing operations of $13,000 for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 compared with a net loss from continuing operations of $1,320,000, or 32 cents per share, last year.

Revenues for 1990 were $51,302,000, a record for the tenth consecutive year, compared with $48,098,000 last year, or a 5 percent increase. The company had a net loss for 1990 of $465,000, or 11 cents per share, compared with a loss of $1,397,000, or 34 cents per share for last year.

The company discontinued the operations of Inlab Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary, resulting in a loss from discontinued operations of $478,000, or 11 cents per share, in 1990. Last year, discontinued operations included the earnings and a gain of $200,000, or 5 cents per share, from the sale of the net assets of First Centennial Leasing Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Hathaway, sold March 31, 1989, which was offset by Inlab's $277,000 net loss, or 7 cents per share, from last year's operations.

Eugene E. Prince, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, ''$346,000 was written off in 1990 to restructure the motion control group. Our future emphasis will be focused on the encoder and motion control systems business with the encoder business using the latest fiber optic technology and the motion control business using our advanced brushless motor technology.

''All encoder related motors are being transferred into the encoder operations in Chatsworth, Calif., and we are discontinuing the highly competitive OEM motor business.''

Revenues were $14,089,000 for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990 compared with $11,355,000 last year. The company had a net profit from continuing operations of $299,000, or 7 cents per share, compared with a net loss from continuing operations of $865,000, or 21 cents per share, last year.

A net profit of $67,000, or 2 cents per share, was achieved compared with last year's net loss of $910,000, or 22 cents per share.

Hathaway Corp. designs, produces and markets computer software, electronic systems, electromechanical systems and instrumentation for world markets.

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#90232b0034 08/20/1990 ~Business Wire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Sherman L. Andelson, chairman of the board of BKLA Bancorp, (NASDAQ/OTC:BKLA) Monday announced that BKLA Bancorp and its subsidiary Bank of Los Angeles have selected Mark E. Buchman as their new president and chief executive officer.

He will succeed Gerald S. Weisstein, who has resigned to pursue other professional interests in the banking industry.

Buchman's selection is subject to regulatory approval. During this brief transition period, board chairman Sherman L. Andelson will act as chief executive officer and Buchman will be employed in a consulting capacity to the West Hollywood, Calif.-based bank.

With 26 years of banking experience, Buchman was most recently president of the Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae) during the second term of the Reagan administration.

Prior to that, from 1982 to 1987, he was executive vice president of Union Bank in Los Angeles, having earlier spent 20 years with Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. He is also a past president of the California Bankers Association.

Weisstein, 51, joined Bank of Los Angeles as president and chief executive officer in 1985. During his tenure, he assembled and led a strong management team.

Before Bank of Los Angeles, Weisstein was president and chief executive officer of Olympic National Bank in Los Angeles. He previously held executive posts at Imperial Bank in Los Angeles and at Union Bank.

''Mr. Weisstein's professionalism and his leadership will be missed by the company's board,'' noted BKLA Chairman Andelson. ''We all wish him well in his future endeavors.'' Said Weisstein, ''While I am leaving an organization that has given me many personal and professional friendships, I am looking forward to new challenges in the banking industry.''

Founded in 1982, the bank markets business and retail financial products from its regional offices in West Hollywood, Beverly Hills and Hollywood.

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#90232b0039 08/20/1990 ~Business Wire

NEWBURY PARK, CALIF. (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Semtech Corp. (ASE:SMH) Monday announced that it has signed a letter of intent with Lambda Electronics Inc. to purchase the assets of its division, Lambda Semiconductors, located in Corpus Christi, Texas, and Reynosa, Mexico.

Consummation of the transaction is conditional upon the execution of a definitive agreement. The company said that it expects to complete the purchase within the next 30 days. Terms of the proposed purchase were not immediately available.

The division was started in 1975. Products manufactured by the division include: linear and switching voltage regulators both monolithic and hybrid designs; darlington transistors; interface drivers; pulse width modulators; overvoltage protection devices; rectifiers; and a wide selection of semiconductor die for hybrid circuit applications. The division has traditionally served the industrial, telecommunications and commercial markets with emphasis on power supply applications.

Wafer fabrication, hybrid assembly and test, semiconductor test, engineering, marketing and administration are located in Corpus Christi. Semiconductor assembly is located in Reynosa. The division currently has 100 employees in Corpus Christi and 40 employees in Reynosa.

Sales for Lambda Semiconductors in the latest fiscal year were reported to be approximately $7 million. The division has historically operated at a loss.

Semtech stated that it intends to operate the division as a stand-alone business, but the products will be sold through its existing sales organization.

Jack Poe, president and chief executive officer of Semtech, stated: ''We established a goal for diversifying our product offering beyond military and aerospace. If consummated, the purchase of Lambda Semiconductors would achieve an overall sales mix of approximately 50 percent military/aerospace and 50 percent industrial, telecommunications and commercial.

Semtech was founded in 1960 and is a leading international manufacturer of

high-quality silicon rectifiers, high-voltage monolithic capacitors, transient voltage suppressors, power hybrids and related devices. Semtech focuses its efforts on producing these precision components for military, aerospace and commercial customers.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Monday announced it has refocused its National Markets organization to more efficiently sell and service long-distance customers.

The National Markets organization will move from five major customer marketing and service groups to two - a Business Market Group, supporting customers with long-distance usage greater than $100,000 a year, and a Consumer Services Group supporting residential and business customers spending less than $100,000 annually.

The Business Market Group will continue US Sprint's highly successful National Accounts program that focuses on the largest telecommunications users and will have a strong major accounts program to service the increasingly complex needs of the medium-to-large users of telecommunications services. The new group also will encompass US Sprint's domestic data sales and support organizations.

In addition to enhance the acquisition of the small business customer a new National Sales Division has been formed to focus specifically on this important customer segment. The customers acquired by this division will be serviced through a special ''Premier'' customer service program specifically designed to meet the needs of these customers.

''US Sprint now will sell and support long-distance users via an organization that can better react to and service customer's needs,'' said Richard C. Smith, president of National Markets.

''The new Business Market Group extends the expertise of our national accounts program into the upper-middle market. This part of the market is increasing its use of the more sophisticated products such as virtual private networks, which were first introduced to the marketplace by Sprint's National Account Division,'' said Smith.

In terms of employment, hundreds of sales positions will be added while some 500 administrative positions will be trimmed from the National Markets portion of the company.

The National Markets organization of US Sprint is responsible for sales and servicing of residential and business long-distance customers for the nation's third-largest long-distance communications company.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City, Mo.

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Questar Corp. (NYSE:STR) said today it has significantly increased its projected 1990 capital expenditures to a record $160 million, citing ''expanding opportunities'' in energy development and transportation.

The revised capital spending figure is 65 percent higher than 1989s actual expenditures and 15 percent above the original 1990 estimate of $140 million. The previous high was $146 million in 1982.

R.D. Cash, Questar chairman and chief executive officer, said the higher capital outlays ''reflect our more-aggressive outlook about growth and earnings, especially higher natural gas usage for environmental and national energy security reasons. The new budget will support a strategy we implemented in 1989 to increase spending in solid activities that would increase our earnings and value over time. These include adding to our reserves, primarily natural gas, at competitive prices and enlarging our interstate gas transmission system to accommodate the growing gas-transportation market.''

Cash said expenditures for exploration and production activities are estimated at $63 million in 1990 compared with $45 million in 1989 -- a 31 percent increase. Two of Questar's exploration and production affiliates added 28 billion cubic feet equivalent of reserves through acquisitions and drilling during the first half of the year at an average cost of under $4 per equivalent barrel. Higher spending is also earmarked for development drilling related to new discovery wells, acquisitions and other projects.

Capital spending by Questar Pipeline Co., Questar's interstate natural gas transmission subsidiary, is projected to increase to $47 million in 1990 compared with $11 million the prior year. The expenditures include pipeline construction projects to more effectively transport gas supplies from the Rocky Mountain and Overthrust regions to national markets. In addition, the utilization of a large, underground gas-storage facility is

being enhanced.

Cash said Questar is actively pursuing other opportunities that could sustain the company's capital spending budgets above $100 million annually for the next couple of years. In addition to expanding exploration and production, Questar is involved with the proposed TransColorado Pipeline, a $150 million-plus line that would carry Colorado and Rocky Mountain gas to major interstate carriers serving national markets. Questar Pipeline has a one-third interest in the partnership that is seeking federal authorization to begin construction of the line in 1991.

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MILPITAS, CA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Tengen Inc.'s announcement of the video game industry's first-ever ''rent & sell'' program was enthusiastically received by video retailers and video distributors attending the ninth annual Video Software Dealers Association (VSDA) Show in Las Vegas last week.

Commtron Corp., the nation's largest pre-recorded video distributor, has agreed to carry Tengen's full line of video games this fall for more than 25,000 video rental stores.

Tengen's new program offers video rental store customers a $5 rebate with the purchase of a Tengen video game playable on the Nintendo, Sega Genesis or NEC TurboGrafx-16 video game systems. Special point-of-purchase displays, ''rent and buy'' posters, and release and street dates, enable video rental stores to integrate this new product line easily into their existing business and market Tengen video games like movies.

Tengen is the wholly-owned subsidiary of Atari Games Corp. and has headquarters at 1623 Buckeye Drive, Milpitas, Calif., 95035; (408) 473-9400. Atari Games is a privately held company, is not affiliated with Atari Corp. and should be referred to as Atari Games.

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PALO ALTO, CA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Varian Associates Inc., Monday announced it has signed a multi-million dollar agreement with the U.S.S.R.

to supply cancer radiotherapy systems to treatment centers in Moscow, Volgograd, Alma-Ata, Archangelsk, and Obninsk.

The order includes a full range of cancer therapy equipment: linear accelerators to deliver precise doses of radiation to tumors; radiotherapy simulators, therapy planning computers, and radiotherapy management systems to help increase treatment reliability and accuracy as well as improve departmental efficiency and record-keeping.

Varian is the world leader in the manufacture of these systems, with nearly 1,700 Clinac/ radiotherapy accelerators in operation, treating more than 54,000 patients daily.

Varian was awarded the contract after several members of the Soviet Ministry of Health visited Moscow's Fourth Clinic and observed the performance of a Varian Clinac/ radiotherapy system which the company shipped in 1987.

''The contract is evidence of the strong emphasis the Soviet government is placing on improving health care,'' said Ueli Graf, managing director of Varian's Medical Equipment business in Europe.

The first of the new systems was installed in early summer at Moscow's All Union Oncology Center. The other four cancer centers will receive their new equipment in 1991.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - To automate the 24-hour operation of its petroleum refinery plant in Rosemount, Minn., Koch Industries installed a System90/85 superminicomputer from ARIX Computer Corp. (NASDAQ:ARIX).

The new system, valued at approximately $1.2 million, is the largest configuration to date of ARIX's System90 UNIX-based symmetric multi-processor product line. The system, configured to support more than 500 users, has expansion capability to support more than 1000 users.

The new computer system will replace an earlier generation of Motorola-based computer technology manufactured by ARIX and sold to Koch via an OEM relationship under the Unisys brand name.

''Our ARIX Model 850 (Unisys 5000/95) was very reliable,'' said Charles Greene, data processing manager of Koch Industries. ''When we outgrew

the 850, we wanted to stay with a hardware platform we knew would do the job. Since Unisys does not carry ARIX's new System90 family, we went straight to ARIX.''

Said Gene Manno, chief executive officer, chairman and president of ARIX Corp.: ''To us, taking care of our customer base is of the utmost importance. One of the ways we do this is by ensuring a migration path for our customers which will preserve existing computer investments.

''By using state-of-the-market technology, streamlining our systems architecture, and enhancing the integration of vital industry software, we create the kind of throughput we need to meet the expanding needs of our customers.''

One of the largest petroleum refiners in the United States, Koch's plant operations have been based on a software package purchased several years ago and modified to meet their specific needs.

The complex inventory maintenance, purchasing and accounting system, originally designed to operate within the PICK environment, runs in UNIX via a sophisticated emulation package.

Said Greene: ''We recognized several years ago that UNIX, with its open environment, was the way to go. Emulating our PICK operating system in UNIX offered an easy migration to UNIX. Once there, we can migrate our operations directly into the UNIX environment at our own pace.''

Because the plant operates 24-hours-a-day, a fully redundant I/O subsystem that provides near-fault tolerant performance was required to ensure data protection and high system availability. In addition, Koch took advantage of striping and mirroring features of the System90 to provide key performance characteristics.

Other System90 features of importance included a comprehensive set of communications products which allowed Koch to integrate their existing computer investments and create a complex computer network.

ARIX Computer Corp. designs, manufactures and markets high-performance UNIX-based symmetric multi-processor computer systems.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Chiles Offshore Corp. (ASE:CHC), a provider of contract offshore drilling and workover services to major and independent oil and gas companies, Monday announced an agreement with Energy Service Co. Inc. (ENSCO) and R.D. Smith and Co. Inc. to purchase six jackup drilling rigs and one semi-submersible rig from Penrod Drilling Corp.

The six jackup rigs, the Penrod 53, 59, 60, 62, 65 and 66, and the semi-submersible, will be sold by Penrod for $54 million. All of the rigs will be delivered to Chiles Offshore Corp. in the Gulf of Mexico.

The purchase will increase the number of rigs under Chiles Offshore Corp. management by 50 percent, from 14 to 21. These will include 16 owned mobile offshore jackup rigs, three other jackup rigs under bareboat charter, one owned semi-submersible rig, and a self contained platform rig managed for and owned by Conoco Inc.

In commenting on the purchase, William E. Chiles, president and chief executive officer of Chiles Offshore Corp., said: ''The company is very pleased to be adding these rigs to our existing fleet.

''Some of them have design characteristics that make them capable of working in the Southern North Sea, and by upgrading them to meet current operating and United Kingdom Department of Energy specifications, this will give us cantilever rigs capable of working in most areas of the world. This will allow us to expand geographically should we choose to do so.''

The addition of these rigs is not only consistent with the strategic direction of Chiles Offshore Corp. to diversify its operating base from the Gulf of Mexico to other markets in the world, but it also places the company second in the number of jackup rigs operating in the Gulf of Mexico.

The sale of the rigs to Chiles Offshore Corp. is conditioned upon approval by the Federal Trade Commission, completion of the acquisition of the remaining 31.3 percent of Penrod's senior debt and equity securities that are not already owned by ENSCO and its affiliated group of investors and the the affiliates of R.D. Smith, and certain other conditions.

With headquarters in Houston and additional offices in Lafayette, La., Chiles Offshore Corp. is engaged in drilling and workover of offshore oil and gas wells on a contract basis for major and independent oil and gas companies.

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DENVER (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - United Artists Entertainment Co. (UAE) has successfully negotiated, signed and funded a financing arrangement of approximately $2.8 billion under six separate credit facilities, it was announced Monday.

UAE officials said this transaction represents a refinancing of existing debt, an increase in the company's ability to replace short-term floating funds with long-term fixed rate funds, and the provision of funding availability to pursue future opportunities.

Eight institutions led the various financings, including Chemical Bank, Bank of New York, Toronto Dominion and Societe' General as agent banks; Continental Bank, Citibank and the Long Term Credit Bank of Japan as co-agent banks and Prudential Capital as the lead investor in a fixed-rate insurance funding. Approximately 100 banks and institutions from around the world comprise the financing syndicate.

''The refinancing was successful due to the breadth, depth and quality of the company's lending relationships,'' said Brendan Clouston, UAE executive vice president and chief financial officer.

''We were pleased with the significant contribution we received from the domestic markets, and the large increase in support from the international community.''

''Since the United Cable acquisition in May 1989, the company has planned this refinancing in order to create a flexible long-term capital structure for UAE.

We believe the positive operating performance of our cable and theatre businesses plus our successful divestiture of $300 million of non-strategic assets since last year's United Cable transaction has made this financing possible,'' added Clouston.

According to Senior Vice President and Treasurer Gary Howard, the refinancing changed the average life on UAE debt from 4.8 years to seven years. ''It dramatically improves our flexibility in two areas,'' said Howard. ''First, it substantially reduces our principal payments for the next three years and second, it builds into the structure the ability to pursue future opportunities without any further near-term restructuring.''

Howard also said that foreign sources of debt were key given the recent change in the highly leveraged transaction (HLT) rules in the United States promulgated by federal agencies.

While company officials declined to discuss the financial complexities of the transaction, they did say that in today's marketplace, the terms on the debt are attractive and appropriate given the strength of the credit, and at equivalent covenant levels, represent no material increase in borrowing costs.

UAE owns and/or manages 86 cable television systems serving approximately 2.7 million subscribers. The company also owns and/or manages approximately 2,660 motion picture screens in 609 locations.

UAE common stock is traded on NASDAQ's National Market Trading System under the symbols UAECA and UAECB. Rights to put UAE common stock also trade under the symbol TCOMR and are a security of Telecommunications Inc. UAE is the largest publicly traded affiliate of TCI. UAE's 12-7/8 percent cumulative preferred stock is traded under the symbol UAECP.

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VANCOUVER, B.C. (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Production has begun at Gallery Gold's (ASE:GYG) Hannandor Mine.

Gallery's mineral processing plant is operating smoothly at 200 yards per hour and preparations are underway to increase this to a maximum of 400 to 500 cubic yards per hour within the month of August.

Gallery's first gold has been shipped to the Englehardt Refinery in Richmond, British Columbia. It totalled 120 ounces assaying 90 percent gold.

Jan Schutze (P.Geo.) reports that Gallery has proven up substantial tonnages of fluvial channel ore of pre-glacial origin with gold grades between $10 and $20 per cubic yard. The size of the total reserves of this high grade ore is presently being determined.

Gallery announced the appointment of an advisory committee consisting of Elliot Yehia, a Vancouver businessman; Larry McDannold, an Edmonton businessman; and Elmer Pelto, a mining specialist from Kimberly, B.C. The advisors are likely to be nominated as director in this fall's annual general meeting of Gallery Resources.

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SAN JOSE, CA. (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. (ASE:PWB), the parent company of the $1.2 billion Pacific Western Bank, announced Monday that over a period of time it will repurchase up to 400,000 shares of its common stock.

Phillip R. Boyce, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: ''At current price levels, our own stock is an attractive investment. We believe that this will add to shareholder value by increasing our return on equity and earnings per share. We have fully adequate capital, even after such repurchases, to sustain our current path of progress.''

Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. is a bank holding company. Through its subsidiaries, the company offers trust and asset management services. The holding company's Pacific Western Bank has 28 locations in three counties serving California's Santa Clara Valley and Monterey Bay Area.

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PALO ALTO, CALIF. (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Co. Monday announced a new processor in the 24-year-old HP 1000 real-time product line.

In doing so, HP is reinforcing its commitment toward customer investment and product compatibility.

Real-time computers are used in a variety of applications including high-speed automatic testing, factory automation, orbiting satellite control and lab automation as well as machine and process control. Industry users range from automotive, telecommunications and aerospace/defense to discrete and process manufacturing.

''After 24 years of HP 1000 computer production, demand for real- time systems remains very strong,'' said Bruce S. Campbell, general manager of HP's Data Systems Operations. ''Customers have found that general-purpose minicomputers are unable to achieve the same results as real-time computers, therefore making the HP 1000 an essential product in many industries around the world today.''

HP plans to manufacture the HP 1000 product line until the year 2000 and support it until 2010.

HP's new high-end, single-board processor, the HP 1000 A-Series Model A990 provides more than twice the CPU performance of the present, four-board, Model A900. The new model offers customers more compact size, faster processing and lower cost packaging for real- time applications than competitive systems. The Model A990 is compatible with other A-Series computers and is field upgradable.

The Model A990 can help increase profitability by controlling production-line defects, delivery times and material and labor costs. For example, the HP 1000 is used to detect defects or abnormalities in a variety of areas, including the manufacturing of compact discs and in automobile electrical systems, air conditioners and stereo equipment.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Cobra Enterprises Ltd., an approved OEM supplier of vehicle security alarm systems, is pleased to announce that it has received a signed Heads of Agreement from Lucas Body Electronics, UK.

It will license Lucas to use the Cobra alarm technology for the European Economic Market commencing in 1990 and continuing until 1999. The license which will be initiated by a Product Purchase Order, is based upon an agreed sales performance by Lucas.

Lucas Automotive is a multibillion dollar company and is a major international supplier of systems and components worldwide to the motor industry.

Cobra has received an initial Purchase Order for engineering development which is being conducted by Weir Jones Engineering Consultants in Vancouver, a resource engineering service to Cobra.

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INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Allison Gas Turbines announced today that it has received a contract from California Pipeline Co. for the purchase of 501-KC5 engines to power 17 Dresser Rand compressors for its Wyoming to California pipeline project, currently under development.

WyCal will transport natural gas from southwest Wyoming to local distribution companies, electric utilities and other high priority users in Southern California. Six compressor stations equipped with 17 gas compressor units will move the gas to this high priority market.

''The 670-mile pipeline is expected to begin service in April 1992,'' said Ethan Gilman, WyCal vice president, engineering. ''The Dresser Rand/Allison package will provide the right combination of high efficiency and dependability we will need for this project.''

Allison Gas Turbine's 501-KC5 engine is the mechanical drive variant of the widely-used 5,000-horsepower-class 501-K industrial gas turbine. Over 1200 501-K engines are in service worldwide, with more than 2O million hours of accumulated operation.

''Winning the WyCal Pipeline business is especially important to Allison '' said Jim Lunsford, director, Industrial Engines at Allison Gas Turbine. ''We are excited over future opportunities to provide Allison-powered equipment in the rapidly expanding oil and gas market.''

WyCal is owned by subsidiaries of The Coastal Corp., a Houston-based energy holding company. Coastal has consolidated assets of $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal and chemicals, and independent power production.

Allison Gas Turbine is a designer and manufacturer of gas turbine engines for aircraft and marine propulsion and for industrial uses. The company is a division of General Motors Corporation and is based in Indianapolis.

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TORONTO (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - NHI Nelson Holdings International Ltd. (ASE/ToSE/VcSE:NNH) (''Nelson'' or the ''company'') Monday announced financial results (in U.S. dollars) for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990.

In line with the company's earlier predictions, total revenues for the second quarter were $16,684,000 compared with $21,876,000 in the second quarter of 1989. The net loss for the second quarter of 1990 was $3,684,000 compared with net income of $2,185,000 in the second quarter of 1989.

The 1990 second-quarter loss included approximately $1.7 million of additional amortization relating to the company's more conservative assessment of the ultimate performance of certain titles in its film library.

After taking account of the company's preferred dividend requirements, Nelson's net loss per common share was $1.03 in the second quarter of 1990 compared to net income per common share of 33 cents in the second quarter of 1989. The weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding for the quarter were 4,334,335 compared with 4,000,016 shares in the same period a year ago.

Nelson consolidates the operating results of Nelson Vending Technology Limited (''NVT''), a 69 percent owned subsidiary. Excluding the effects of this consolidation, Nelson's reported loss would have been $2,589,000, or 77 cents per share, in the second quarter of 1990, and the company's reported earnings would have been $3,131,000, or 56 cents per share, in the second quarter of 1989.

Total revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were $35,601,000 compared with $38,231,000 for the same period in 1989. The net loss was $6,918,000 compared with a net loss of $2,289,000 for the first six months of 1989.

The loss per common and common equivalent share in the first six months of 1990 and 1989 after taking account of the company's preferred dividend requirements was $1.95 for 1990 compared with a loss of $1.11 for 1989. The 1990 weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding for the six months was 4,334,335 compared with 3,659,565 shares in 1989.

NHI Nelson Holdings International Ltd. is the holding company for the Nelson Entertainment Group and for 69 percent-owned Nelson Vending Technology Limited.

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HERCULES, CA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc. announced Monday that its board of directors has authorized the company to repurchase up to $1 million in shares of its common stock over an indefinite period of time in market purchases or privately negotiated transactions.

''The recent decline in stock market values provides the company a potential opportunity to improve shareholder value through the repurchase of its stock,'' said David Schwartz, president and chief executive officer.

Bio-Rad Laboratories is a multinational manufacturer and distributor of research products, clinical diagnostics, and analytical instruments based in Hercules.

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SHERMAN OAKS, CA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Olson Industries Inc. (OTC PINK SHEETS:OLSN) reported Monday that sales for the second quarter for its only operating subsidiary, Dolco Packaging Corp., amounted to $17,076,831 in 1990, with a net loss of $530,867, or 81 cents per share.

The 1989 second-quarter results reflected sales of $17,940,763 with a net loss of $914,730, or $1.39 per share.

Sales for the first six months of 1990 amounted to $36,011,121. Net income from operations for the first six months of 1990 was $64,791, or 10 cents per share, compared with a loss of $1,577,755, or $2.41 per share, for the first six months of 1989.

The gross profit on Dolco's net sales was 16 percent and 13 percent for the first six months and for the second quarter of 1990, respectively, compared with 10 percent for the same periods in 1989. The improvement in Dolco's gross profit was largely due to the decreasing cost of resin, the major raw material ingredient.

The average cost of resin for the first six months of 1990 was 15 percent lower than the same period in the prior year and 14 percent lower for the second quarter of 1990 as compared with the same period in 1989.

As stated earlier, Dolco Packaging is presently involved in a reorganization under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. The effect of any reorganization could materially reduce or eliminate the interest of Olson Industries in Dolco. Accordingly, the operating results of Olson Industries and Dolco as reflected herein on a consolidated basis may not accurately reflect the business prospects or operations of Olson Industries as a separate corporate entity.

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EL SEGUNDO, CALIF. (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Aura Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:AURA), the leading innovator of magnetic technology systems, has signed a development agreement with Technical Manufacturing Corp. (TMC) of Peabody, Mass., a major manufacturer of vibration isolation systems and optical cables, it was announced Monday by Harry Kurtzman, president and chief executive officer of Aura Systems Inc.

Under the agreement, Aura will develop products which combine Aura's advanced electro-magnetics technology with TMC's state-of-the-art pneumatic, vibration isolators for stable surfaces. TMC will market the stabilization features designed by Aura to its customers.

''We are pleased to announce our first development venture with one of the nation's leading manufacturers of optical tables and pneumatic isolation systems,'' said Kurtzman. ''Our success in isolating vibration using our magnetic suspension technology will achieve tremendous results for TMC and its customers.''

Aura Systems, founded in 1987, is a leader in electromagnetic technology, electro-optic projection systems and advanced computing systems. The company has headquarters in El Segundo.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - K-III Holdings announced Monday that its subsidiary, Newbridge Communications Inc. has reached agreement in

principle to acquire Reader's Garden Inc.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed. Upon closing, Reader's Garden will represent the seventh acquisition consummated by K-III since its formation in February of 1989.

Reader's Garden Inc. is a privately held corporation which operates two special interest book clubs: The Reader's Subscription and The Garden Book Club. The Reader's Subscription is a club for readers of serious fiction and non-fiction, classic literature and poetry. The Garden Book Club reaches serious gardeners.

The acquisition of Reader's Garden Inc. further enhances Newbridge Communications' position as the largest special interest book club organization in America. Newbridge also operates continuity programs for the educational and the home markets, The Fast Track, and Gryphon Editions.

Peter J. Quandt, president of Newbridge Communications said, ''This acquisition strengthens our core business in special interest book clubs. These are very fine clubs, with strong memberships and a tradition of high editorial standards. We're excited about their prospects for growth and about welcoming them to the Newbridge family.''

K-III Holdings acquired Newbridge Communications (formerly known as Macmillan Book Clubs Inc.) from Maxwell-Macmillan in July 1989. K-III, an affiliate of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co., also includes Intertec Publishing Corp., a publisher of trade magazines and technical books, and K-III Press Inc., which publishes directories and other information products for the transportation industries. K-III's annual revenues exceed $200 million.

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RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CALIF. (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Data-Design Laboratories Inc. (NYSE:DDL) Monday announced its results for the fourth quarter and year ended June 30.

Fourth-quarter sales from continuing operations were $23,528,000 compared with $22,948,000 in last year's fourth quarter. A net loss of $2,488,000 or 37 cents per share, was suffered vs. $1,707,000, or 26 cents per share last year.

In the current year's quarter, a $758,000 extraordinary gain was recognized upon the repurchase of 8-1/2 percent convertible subordinated

debentures. In last year's fourth quarter, special gains totalled $2,080,000.

In the fourth quarter, operations at Aero Oregon, A.J. Electronics, Irlandus and DDL OMNI Engineering were profitable. DDL Electronics, the company's new printed circuit board assembly business in Northern Ireland, broke even with the aid of government grants. Aero Anaheim and Catel experienced losses.

For the year ended June 30, 1990, sales from continuing operations were $91,243,000, up 2 percent from last year's $89,819,000 due principally to growth at A.J. Electronics, Aero Oregon and Catel. The net loss in 1990 was significantly less than in 1989, $2,938,000 compared with $12,173,000, due largely to several unusual items described in the financial table below.

The company said losses at Aero Anaheim continued in the fourth quarter. In June, Thomas J. Gullo joined Aeroscientific as its president, responsible for all U.S. printed circuit board operations. Several process control related problems persist, and the new team is working to remedy them.

The high level of capital investment in the operation over the last 24 months has created an outstanding facility. With new leadership, Aero Anaheim should become the high-quality operation envisioned by DDL.

Catel's fourth-quarter loss included a $1,243,000 write-off of inventory determined to be excess or obsolete to its product lines. Catel's expected return to profitability in this coming fiscal year is primarily related to increased sales volume.

DDL is primarily engaged in the manufacture and assembly of printed circuit boards for computer, communications and instrumentation industries. It also manufactures broadband communications equipment at its Catel Telecommunications subsidiary for the CATV and telephone markets.

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BOSTON (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Cognos (TSE:CSN;NASDAQ:COGNF) today introduced at Interex '90 a new release of its PowerHouse application development software for HP MPE/XL systems from Hewlett-Packard Co., as well as several new software products and value-added reseller relationships.

PowerHouse is the leading application development environment for the HP MPE operating systems, integrating 4GL, CASE, RDBMS and end-user technologies. Enhancements in the new HP MPE/XL release 6.09 make PowerHouse one of the most robust and feature-rich application development solutions available for HP users.

The new PowerHouse 6.09 offers an advanced user interface with full color support, pull-down menus, pop-up windows, screen overlays, dynamic highlighting, scrollable fields, variable size screens and designer function keys.

The new release also incorporates a new screen painter and PowerHouse QUICK, an on-line interactive debugger. Power to Integrate

PowerHouse 6.09 is distinguished from competitive development environments by the ability of all PowerHouse products to work with all HP file systems and dictionaries. While competitive solutions limit users to working with only their own data files, PowerHouse provides read and write access in all HP environments -- including HP MPE/V, HP MPE/XL, HP-UX, MS-DOS and OS/2 -- and to all HP file systems, such as KSAM, HP TurboImage and HP MPE.

In addition, release 6.09 completes PowerHouse's comprehensive HP data connectivity by adding support for HP's ALLBASE/SQL database management system. In conjunction with the new PowerHouse release, Cognos also announced today its PowerHouse StarBase relational database management system is now available for HP MPE/XL systems.

StarBase is a second-generation RDBMS that offers several advanced features -- such as business rules, two-phase commit, triggers and SQL support.

Cognos is dedicated to providing comprehensive application development environments for distributed computing. The company serves its markets through 48 offices in 14 countries, with corporate headquarters in Ottawa, Canada and worldwide sales, service, and marketing operations located in Burlington, Mass.

The company's flagship product, PowerHouse, has over 15,000 installations on mid-range computers in 68 countries.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Fisher Business Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:FBUS), d/b/a Fisher Restaurant Systems, Monday announced the company's financial results for the second quarter and six months ended July 31.

For the second quarter ended July 31, the company reported revenues of $2,819,620, as compared to $1,118,314 for the same quarter of the previous fiscal year, an increase of 152 percent. For the quarter, the company reported net income of $63,221, or 1 cent per share, as compared to a loss of $273,082, or 6 cents per share, in the same quarter of the prior year.

For the six months ended July 31, the company reported revenues of $5,282,794, as compared to $2,133,884, for the same period of the previous fiscal year, an increase of 148 percent. For the six months, the company reported net income of $154,145, or 4 cents per share, as compared to a loss of $556,846, or 14 cents per share, in the same period of the prior year.

Larry Fisher, president, stated, ''I am pleased that the company has reported profitable results for three of the last four quarters. We attribute the success of the company during the first half of the current fiscal year to the continuation of the Denny's roll-out and stronger sales results by the company's direct sales force.

''We also are commencing installations of systems for the International House of Pancakes. We expect future quarters to continue to reflect significant installations for Denny's and IHOP.''

Fisher Restaurant Systems provides a complete point of sale and restaurant management system that is totally integrated to a complete financial and accounting package. The Fisher Restaurant Management System operates from a single IBM Personal System/2 and uses IBM terminals as server work-stations.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Logical Devices Inc. here announces a new universal semiconductor device programmer for field programmable gate arrays (FPGAs), programmable read-only memories (PROMs), ROM-embedded microcontrollers and other types of programmable logic devices (PLDs).

Logical's new ALLPRO-88 programmer is totally software driven, and

uniquely features independent digital-to-analog converters (DACs) for each of its 88 pins. ''No other device programmer on the market offers the total flexibility of individual DACs and sensors for each of 88 device pins,'' notes David Mot, president of Logical Devices Inc.

Under software control, any pin can be programmed to do anything -- slew voltage, slew current, sense voltage, sense current, or even drive multiple asynchronous clocks up to 4 MHz.

ALLPRO-88 uniquely supports the new avalanche induced migration (AIM) devices which require current-pulsed algorithms rather than voltage-pulsed algorithms.

A comprehensive library of 2800 popular devices is included at no extra cost. The library makes ALLPRO-88 very easy to use. Calling up any device file automatically accesses, loads and implements all the programming parameters for that device, including required current and voltage slew rates, clock rates and timing relationships.

Data patterns to be programmed are conveniently downloaded from any logic compiler with a JEDEC file output. Full editing capabilities are available on any device file, including data encryption keys and auto-incrementing device serial numbers.

ALLPRO-88's standard test head handles DIP parts, leadless chip carriers, leadless plastic chip carriers, surface mount devices and small outline J-lead devices.

Between its device library and its socket selection, ALLPRO-88 handles fully 97 percent of all programmable devices on the market, and is qualified by all major semiconductor manufacturers for use on their devices.

Logical's new ALLPRO-88 DAC-per-pin device programmer is priced at $14,950. Availability is quoted at 30 days ARO.

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BOSTON, MASS. (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Cognos (TSE/CSN; NASDAQ/COGNF) Monday announced at INTEREX '90 its PowerHouse StarBase relational database management system is now available for the HP MPE/XL operating

system from Hewlett-Packard Co.

StarBase -- part of Cognos' PowerHouse application development environment -- is important for HP users because it gives them a second- generation RDBMS without sacrificing their existing HP MPE/XL file and data sources, such as HP TurboImage, KSAM and the HP MPE file system.

Until now, HP MPE/XL customers who purchased RDBMSs have had to forfeit their existing investments in data, applications and training, and start over from scratch.

"Most HP customers today have built successful applications using HP TurboImage and KSAM. They will want to retain this investment while taking advantage of the new relational database technology. Cognos PowerHouse with StarBase is the only application development environment which offers them that option. Competitive products trap them within their proprietary architectures. PowerHouse, on the other hand, supports all HP file systems on HP 3000 computers," said Kent Laver, Cognos' database marketing manager.

PowerHouse StarBase applications developed for HP MPE/XL can operate immediately, accessing and sharing data in HP TurboImage, KSAM and HP MPE files. This capability lets customers avoid time-consuming and costly data conversion. Business Rules and Advanced Features

StarBase provides several advanced features which are unavailable in other relational database solutions on HP MPE/XL. Most significant among these features is its support for business rules. For example, business rules can used to enforce credit limits: StarBase, using its business knowledge, can instruct an order entry application to automatically reject a customer order that exceeds its current credit line.

StarBase allows HP MPE/XL users to define an unlimited number of complex business rules which enable the database to automatically interpret the meaning of data, identify inconsistencies, verify data integrity, and update changes to the database globally.

Cognos is dedicated to providing comprehensive application development environments for distributed computing. The company serves its markets through 48 offices in 14 countries, with corporate headquarters in Ottawa, Canada and worldwide sales, service, and marketing operations located in Burlington, Mass. The company's flagship product, PowerHouse, has over 15,000 installations on mid-range computers in 68 countries.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 20) UPI - YES Clothing Co. (NASDAQ:YSCO) today announced that Irving Rosenbluth, the company's chief financial officer, plans to retire once his successor has been appointed to allow him to puruse other interests.

George Randall, chairman of the board, commented, ''We regretfully accept Mr. Rosenbluth's resignation. During the past year, under Mr. Rosenbluth's guidance, the company has successfully installed cost efficient operating systems, which will continue to enhance profitability for years to come. Mr. Rosenbluth intends to remain with the company until a successor is found, and we will value his assistance during this transition period.''

YES Clothing Co. designs, contract manufactures and distributes women's apparel to department and specialty stores in the United States and Canada. Recently the company launched childrenswear and menswear lines.

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CUPERTINO, CA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - College faculty and grade school teachers who are creating instructional software to run on Macintosh computers can now take advantage of a new publishing and distribution service geared to provide strong development and marketing support.

Apple Computer Inc. has selected Intellimation, of Santa Barbara, to take over and expand the former Kinko's Academic Courseware Exchange.

''We selected Intellimation after reviewing more than 30 companies nationwide because we felt they could take the bold step that was needed '' said Bernard R. Gifford, Apple's vice president of education.

''Intellimation will establish a new publishing model for educator-developed software, moving it well beyond distribution, the primary role of the former service. They will combine the disciplines of academic publishing -- with its close attention to content and value -- with a thorough understanding of the possibilities and benefits of

technology.

Intellimation will publish the Intellimation Library for the Macintosh -- resources by educators, for educators. The library will include a variety of software, from stand-alone programs to interactive multimedia with complete curriculum integration materials.

The library will also be wide-ranging, from a set of tutorials to accompany a basic college biology textbook to an interactive HyperCard-based American history program that accesses images stored on videodiscs.

Also included will be software designed to work with commercial programs, such as classroom exercises designed to work with a music composition program, and written materials about using Macintosh technology and software in education.

Although initially the library will consist mostly of materials for college courses, Intellimation will expand the service to include instructional software for primary and secondary grades.

Intellimation will also expand distribution beyond the United States to other countries and will eventually include software developed by educators from countries around the world.

Intellimation was founded in 1987 to develop multimedia materials. It is a subsidiary of ABC-CLIO, a 37-year-old educational publisher. The company is best-known as marketer and distributor of the Annenberg/CPB Audio and Video Collection -- a series of college-level course materials that incorporate video, audio and print, including titles such as The Brain and The Mechanical Universe.

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DAYTON, OHIO (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. (NYSE:NCR) announced a cooperative marketing agreement with MITEK OpenConnect Systems of Carrollton, Texas, that allows MITEK to integrate its Digital On-Line Archival and Retrieval System (DOLARS) with NCR's TOWER line of UNIX based computers.

The agreement has an estimated value of $12 million over the next two years. DOLARS is an on-line document storage system, designed for large financial institutions who manage vast amounts of documentation.

''This relationship will provide MITEK with a powerful distribution channel,'' said Don Anselmo, president and chief operating officer of MITEK. ''DOLARS provides the customer an application solution with significant cost savings and improvements in functionality over conventional solutions.''

An alternative to microfilm/microfiche systems, DOLARS uses optical disk technology for high density data storage. It provides record archival and retrieval via queries from local or remote connected terminals.

The DOLARS system utilizes MITEK's SNA connectivity products providing the customer the option of directly attaching DOLARS to an existing SNA network. Thus, data is automatically downloaded, compressed, indexed and archived, and users can directly access records from their SNA connected terminals.

The NCR TOWER runs the DOLARS application software and controls the optical jukebox, which stores the data. Users of the NCR TOWER may also access host computers, as well as magnetic storage devices and peripherals in the host environment.

The NCR TOWER running the DOLARS application will be offered through NCR's direct sales force. MITEK will provide application software and integration services support, while NCR will support the TOWER system and peripherals through its network of field engineers.

MITEK develops, manufactures, markets and supports data networking systems products and acts as an integrator for complex systems. NCR develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Leroy Pharmacies Inc. Monday announced

that effective Aug. 15, 1990, the name of the corporation was changed to Accuhealth Inc.

The company also announced that effective today its new NASDAQ symbols are ACCU, ACCUU, and ACCUW for its common stock, units and warrants, respectively.

Commenting on these developments, Stanley Lepelstat, chairman and president, stated, ''We believe the new name, Accuhealth Inc., better reflects the company's goals of providing the highest quality service to all of our customers in both our retail pharmacy and home health care operations.

''Further, we are confident that Accuhealth Inc. will be better recognized by the company's current home health care and infusion therapy customers.''

The company operates nine retail pharmacies in New York City under the name ''Leroy Pharmacy'' and a home health care subsidiary, which includes an infusion therapy center, under the name Accuhealth Home Care Inc.

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LENEXA, KAN. (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Syntro Corp. (NASDAQ:SYNT) announced Monday that its officers and certain of its directors have purchased 400,000 shares of Syntro stock held by Lubrizol Corp.

The private transaction brings the officers' and directors' combined ownership in the company to approximately 11 percent of the 9.5 million shares outstanding.

''This transaction evidences the confidence the senior managers and directors have in the future of our company,'' stated Dr. J. Donald Todd, Syntro's president and chief executive officer. ''The timing seemed ideal. Members of Syntro's management wanted to increase their stake in the company and Lubrizol Corp., an investor since 1984, had changed its investment objectives.''

The company also announced that it has been advised that Mabon, Nugent & Co. has arranged the sale of the additional 504,000 shares of Syntro stock held by Lubrizol Corp. to a limited number of private investors.

This transaction is Syntro's third announcement in the past three weeks. On July 31, Syntro announced favorable third quarter results and Todd stated that the company's progress toward profitability was ''on course.''

In addition, on Aug. 6, Syntro announced a favorable resolution to a patent dispute with The Upjohn Co. ''With sales continuing to set new records and new products in the pipeline, we are extremely optimistic about fiscal 1991 and beyond,'' added Todd.

Syntro Corp., founded in 1981, is a Lenexa and San Diego-based biotechnology company engaged in the development and commercialization of animal health products. Its current strategy is focused on achieving rapid revenue growth and profitability by penetrating the animal health market with innovative vaccines while pursuing corporate alliances that will broaden its product line in the future.

SyntroVet, the company's animal health subsidiary, was established in 1985 to register, manufacture and market products resulting from Syntro's research.

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VAN NUYS, CA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Martin Lawrence Limited Editions Inc. (NASDAQ:MLLE) announced Monday that between July 2, 1990, the date the company announced that its board of directors had authorized the repurchase of up to 1 million additional shares of its common stock under its stock repurchase program, and Aug. 17, 1990, it had repurchased 500,000 shares at prices per share ranging from $3.43 to $4.63.

The company added that these shares, when combined with the 500,000 shares repurchased between April 30 and June 29, 1990, totaled 1 million shares repurchased by the company since the commencement of its stock repurchase program on April 30, 1990.

The company stated that it will continue to repurchase additional shares authorized under the expanded stock repurchase program from time to time through open market and privately negotiated transactions at prices deemed appropriate by management. The company said it will use cash generated from operations to fund the repurchase.

As of Aug. 17, 1990, Martin Lawrence Limited Editions had 7,349,648 shares

outstanding.

In making the announcement, Allen A. Baron, the company's chief financial officer, stated, ''The company plans to continue pursuing its open market repurchase program because we believe that the company's common stock presents an attractive investment opportunity at current prices.''

Martin Lawrence Limited Editions is an integrated publisher, retailer and wholesaler of limited-edition serigraphs, lithographs, sculpture and other works of fine art created by internationally renowned and emerging artists. The company also purchases, for resale, original works of art as well as limited-edition works by recognized artists not published by the company.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Completing a turnaround begun when new management took the helm 16 months ago, Rent-A-Wreck of America Inc., reported its first profitable quarter in more than two years.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, net income was $13,143 compared with last year's first-quarter net loss of $106,152. Because net income did not cover preferred dividends, an overall loss of 1 cent per common share was reported, as compared with a 5 cent per share for the same period in 1989.

Total revenues for the quarter were $1,184,272 compared with $1,077,353 during the same period a year ago. The company's continuing licensee fees increased 14 percent from $241,009 to $276,868; initial license fees increased 16 percent from $152,500 to $177,000.

J. Richard Haigh, president and chief executive officer of Rent-A-Wreck, attributes these improvements to a dedicated franchise sales and marketing effort that has resulted in the addition of 115 locations since new management took over April 1, 1989, coupled with a rigorous program of expense control.

''The company's continued success is based on several factors. First, due to the record number of new franchises added to the system, the size of the fleet has shown considerable growth. This in turn has generated additional royalties that contributed to this quarter's profit.

''Furthermore, major new operational programs and support services have been launched, which help existing franchisees increase the size and

profitability of their fleets. Of course, fleet growth and the subsequent growth in continuing royalties will ensure the future well being of Rent-A-Wreck,'' concluded Haigh.

Rent-A-Wreck is the country's foremost provider of used rental and lease vehicles. The 1990 recipient of Entrepreneur Magazine's prestigious Franchise 500 award. Rent-A-Wreck provides convenient cost-saving transportation that meets a variety of neighborhood vehicle needs.

Rent-A-Wreck of America has headquarters at 6053 West Century Blvd., Suite 550, Los Angeles, Calif. 90045.

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MENLO PARK, CA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Network General Corp. (NASDAQ:NETG) reported Monday that it has completed payment of the 100 percent stock dividend originally declared on June 14, 1990.

As of Monday, the dividend has been distributed to the company's stockholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 3, 1990. Network General's common stock will begin trading on a post-dividend basis on Aug. 21, 1990, and financial services should commence reporting the results of post-dividend trading accordingly.

Founded in 1986, Network General designs, develops and markets diagnostic equipment for local area networks. Network General is based at 4200 Bohannon Drive, Menlo Park, CA 94025. Telephone: 415/688-2700.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - John C. Warner, chief executive officer of Quiksilver Inc. (NASDAQ:QUIK), Monday announced fiscal 1990 third quarter and nine month operating results.

Net income for the third quarter ended July 31 increased 39 percent to $2,589,000, or 41 cents per share, as compared to net income of $1,867,000 or 30 cents per share, in the like quarter last year.

Net sales for the quarter rose 28 percent to $24,670,000 compared to $19,332,000 in the like period a year ago.

Net income for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 increased 41 percent to $7,627,000, or $1.21 per share, as compared to net income of $5,406,000 or 86 cents per share in the like period a year ago. Net sales for the nine month period rose 32 percent to $72,602,000 compared to $54,828,000 in the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

In reviewing operations, Warner indicated that Quiksilver's record financial performance through the first nine months of fiscal 1990 was primarily a result of continued strong acceptance of the company's product line.

Quiksilver Inc. designs, arranges for the manufacture of, and distributes beachwear, skiwear and casual clothing primarily for young men and boys under the Quiksilver label. The company's products are made primarily in the United States and sold in approximately 2,000 surf shop, specialty store and selected department store locations.

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RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Insta Cool Inc. of North America (NASDAQ:KOOL), manufacturer of ultra-rapid freezing equipment for freezing blood plasma, will develop a commercial freezer for food processing in joint venture with Fujitetsumo USA and Fujitetsumo Company Ltd., Japan, manufacturer of food freezing and chilling equipment.

Under terms of an agreement reached between the two companies, Insta Cool will supply its technology, refrigeration and coolant management system and Fujitetsumo will provide the freezer technology. Integration of the system will be a joint effort.

Ultra-rapid food freezing is estimated to be 6 percent of the total food freezing market or approximately $1 billion annually in North America.

Fujitetsumo Co. Ltd., founded over 50 years ago by Hirosuke Onodera and based in Nara City, Japan, serves major food processors worldwide. Based on many years of research, it offers a sophisticated technical approach to its design and manufacture of a wide variety of automated processing equipment for cooking, cooling and freezing of food products.

Fujitetsumo USA Inc. offers Fujitetsumo's world patented system in the U.S. market. Founded in 1986 by Hirofumi Onodera, president, and Jack Lackey, executive vice president and chief executive officer, the company gained national recognition in 1989 as recipient of the prestigious Putman Award, which annually acknowledges outstanding achievement in design, manufacture and performance of equipment for the food processing industry.

Insta Cool currently markets worldwide ultra-rapid blood plasma freezers utilizing its own patented technology. The company received FDA approval for the freezing of human blood in 1987 and for the crust freezing of chickens in October 1989.

Insta Cool's technology offers significant advantages over other freezing technologies currently in use, Coelho pointed out. ''In tests carried out at the University of California at Davis, Insta Cool's freezing rapidity achieved a 93 percent kill rate of salmonella bacteria in test chickens. Also, the technology can significantly reduce costs and improve product quality over other ultra-freezing methods.''

Customers for Insta Cool's blood plasma freezers include the American Red Cross, the Canadian Red Cross and Baxter Healthcare.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Hyatt Monday introduced a new corporate logo which, according to consumer research, capitalizes on the company's strongest symbol -- the word Hyatt.

The new logo, which will be incorporated in all 160 Hyatt hotels and resorts throughout the world, is a stylized version of the word Hyatt with a crescent crossing through the ''A.'' The crescent symbolizes the sunrise-to-sunset experience of the Hyatt guest. Main colors of the new logo are dark blue, red, white and gray. The new Hyatt logo replaces the company's previous logo, a circular symbol which had been in use since 1971.

Guests will begin seeing the new logo in national and international advertising as well as in select hotel materials in September, Hyatt officials said. Total implementation of the logo is expected to take three to five years as the new design is applied to all Hyatt hotels throughout the world.

In addition, the new logo will be incorporated into merchandise produced for Hyatt through San Francisco-based Red Sail Merchandising, the

principal licensee of all Hyatt marks and a supplier of logo items for major hotel chains and other corporations.

Bernd Chorengel, president, Hyatt International Corp., said a new logo was needed to enhance Hyatt's presence in the international marketplace. ''It was time for a logo that would appropriately reflect the style and personality of Hyatt throughout the world, one that would capitalize on the strength of the Hyatt name,'' he said.

The design of Hyatt's new logo was part of an 18-month research and design process conducted by San Francisco-based Landor Associates, a leading identity management consultant.

In addition to interviews with employees and consumers, Landor conducted a visual audit of the company. This identity audit examined Hyatt signs, uniforms, airport vans and countless other items carrying the Hyatt logo to determine all the ways in which a new identity could enhance the Hyatt guest experience.

Following the research, Landor produced thousands of designs which were critiqued and revised by Hyatt. Post-design research showed the consumers preferred the new design three-to-one over the old logo.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - CBL Medical Inc. (NASDAQ:Common-CBLM; Warrants-CBLMW) Monday announced results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues increased 9.5 percent, to $1,557,596, compared with revenues of $1,422,880, for the same quarter of the previous year. Revenues for six months ended June 30, 1990, are $3,050,051, while for the same period last year they were $2,570,878.

For the second quarter net income decreased $19,330, to $129,135. This represents 7 cents earnings per share, on 2,061,277 shares outstanding, compared with the second quarter of the prior year's net income of $148,465, and earnings per share of 12 cents, on 1,200,000 shares.

In comparing six months of operations, net income increased 37.2 percent, to $311,490, or 17 cents per share, on 2,002,406 shares outstanding. For the same period in 1989, net income was $227,036, or 19 cents per share, on 1,200,000 shares outstanding.

In January 1990, the Workers' Compensation Reform Act became law. Increased benefits for workers provisions for prompt payment of medical bills and many procedural changes are part of this act. Although the act has many positive aspects, the procedural changes created uncertainty for attorneys who represent injured workers.

This resulted in a slight decline in referrals in the beginning of the second quarter. By June, these issues had been resolved and referrals returned to their expected levels.

In the second quarter, CBL entered into an agreement to perform certain services for Body Kinetics, a medical center that specializes in ''Muscle Strength Evaluation.'' These evaluations have been recognized by the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) as an effective measurement of worker's impairment.

Most of the patients at the medical centers under management by CBL will be candidates for the muscle strength evaluation. For its services, CBL will receive a percentage of fees collected. Under the terms of the agreement, there will be no cash advances made by CBL Medical.

CBL Medical operates medical centers specializing in forensic reporting and on the treatment of patients with employment-related injuries.

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NASHVILLE, TN (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Anne Carr, who for the past ten years has represented clients on Capitol Hill, has become a partner in the state's oldest government relations firm, Smith & Johnson, it was announced. Carr, 38, will join the firm Sept. 1. She has been a partner in the Nashville goverment relations firm Fosbinder-Carr for the past four years.

"We are excited about someone with Anne's experience, credibility and reputation joining us," said Bo Johnson, who became a partner in Smith & Johnson in 1983."

Other partners in the firm - which represent such clients as General Electric, McDonald's, Hospital Corporation of America, Nissan and First Tennessee Bank - are Cleve Smith, who founded the firm in 1980 and Betty Anderson, former chief legislative liaison for Gov. Ned McWherter.

Carr was employed by the 16,000-member Tennessee State Employees

Association from 1979 through 1985, serving as assistant executive director for three years before ascending to the executive directorship of the organization. She represented the Tennessee Health Care Association in 1985-1986 and with partner John Fosbinder formed Fosbinder-Carr in late 1986.

Smith & Johnsons' professional activities are concentrated exclusively in the area of government relations, and it works in close contact with the state government regulatory agencies and the General Assembly. It maintains offices overlooking the State Capitol in the Stouffer Towers.

Carr is a member of the Tennessee and Nashville Women's Political Caucuses the board of the YWCA of Middle Tennessee and was an alternate delegate to the 1980 National Democratic Convention and served as a delegate to the 1984 National convention.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The Kushner-Locke Co. has received an order to produce 34 half-hour segments of ''Krypton Factor,'' a new weekly game show, for first-run syndication through Western International Syndication for the 1990-91 season, it was announced Monday by executive producers and Kushner-Locke co-chairmen Peter Locke and Donald Kushner.

Willie Ames stars in the show, targeted at the youth market, to be produced by Michael Metzger, with Emmy Award-winner John Vogt directing.

Already a big success in Great Britain, where it is rated among the top 20 nationally, ''Krypton Factor'' is presently in pre-production on the U.S. version, under a production team headed by Kushner-Locke senior vice president, production, Jonathan Debin.

''We feel that Willie Ames is an ideal host for 'Krypton Factor,' '' stated Locke and Kushner. ''As the co-star of the hit comedy series 'Charles in Charge,' and a former teenage star of 'Eight is Enough,' he has long enjoyed great popularity with our target audience.''

In the show, four contestants compete against each other in contests testing their intelligence level, observation skills, physical capability and general knowledge, vying for a chance at a $50,000 grand prize scholarship.

To date, ''The Krypton Factor'' has been cleared in 75 percent of the United States, including all of the top 10 markets. NBC owned and operated WNBC-TV New York, KNBC Los Angeles, WMAQ-TV Chicago, WKYC

Cleveland and WRC Washington have cleared ''The Krypton Factor'' as an entry for their weekend schedules.

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DALLAS (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Harken Energy Corp. (NYSE: HEC) of Dallas Monday reported a $6.7 million operating loss for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to an operating loss of $2.9 million for the prior year's second quarter.

Harken's six-month operating losses during 1990 totalled $5.5 million compared to $2.3 million in 1989.

The major reasons for the second quarter operating loss were lower gasoline gross profits at Harken Marketing Co. (''HMC''), Harken's refined products marketing subsidiary, and increases to certain HMC expense reserves.

In addition to the operating loss, $9.8 million in unusual charges were recorded by HMC, including:

-- Costs associated with the decision to discontinue certain HMC operations and provisions for non-recurring expenses associated with the consolidation of administrative activities into HMC's Houston headquarters; and

-- Decreases in the carrying value of certain HMC assets due to the renegotiation of certain notes receivable in order to accelerate principal payments due HMC and remove HMC from certain contingent obligations.

In the prior year's second quarter, Harken reported consolidated net income of $3.6 million (7 cents per common share after accrued preferred stock dividends).

When comparing second quarter, 1990 results with those of the prior year's comparable period, the following were also significant: results for the second quarter of 1989 included a gain on the sale of a subsidiary as well as equity in the earnings of an unconsolidated public company which was sold later in 1989; also, interest expense was higher in 1990 due primarily to increases in project financing at Tejas Power Corp. (''TPC'') Harken's natural gas gathering and marketing subsidiary, and in HMC's bank financing.

Harken Energy Corp. (NYSE: ''HEC'') manages and develops energy assets. HEC retails, wholesales and distributes gasoline through its subsidiary,

Harken Marketing Company. Through its subsidiary, Tejas Power Corporation HEC constructs, owns and operates natural gas gathering, storage and transmission facilities in Texas and Louisiana and markets third party gas to a variety of end-users.

HEC explores for, develops and produces oil and gas reserves domestically through its subsidiary Harken Exploration Company and internationally through its subsidiary Harken Bahrain Oil Company. HEC provides contract drilling and workover/well services through its subsidiary, Harken Resource Management Corp.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Cadre Technologies Inc. Monday announced a multi-million dollar agreement under which it will provide its teamwork and teamwork/Ada Computer Aided Software/Systems Engineering (CASE) products to GE Aerospace, one of the largest providers of defense electronics to the federal government.

The agreement, expected to provide revenues in excess of $10 million to Cadre over the course of the multi-year contract, is believed to be the largest single order ever for CASE software and one of the largest single software purchases in history.

Cadre's teamwork products will go to 14 GE Aerospace facilities throughout the United States for use in the development of defense, government and commercial aerospace systems. The software will run on workstations from Sun Microsystems Inc., HP/Apollo, Digital Equipment Corp. and IBM.

Cadre's teamwork products are the most widely used workstation-based CASE structured analysis and design tools in the industry. They deliver a powerful, integrated development environment for managing and automating the analysis, design, code generation, integration and testing of high-performance systems software.

The teamwork products purchased by GE Aerospace include teamwork/IM, teamwork/SA and teamwork/RT, workstation-based systems analysis tools that maximize efficiency throughout the requirements analysis process; teamwork/ASB (Ada Source Builder), which produces Ada source code directly from Ada structure graphs; and teamwork/Ada, a workstation-based design tool that supports industry-standard structured design techniques.

GE Aerospace, headquartered in King of Prussia, Pa., is a world leader in the design, development, integration, production and management of

advanced electronic systems and equipment for defense, space and aviation.

Cadre Technologies Inc., headquartered in Beaverton, Ore., offers the most complete set of CASE products in the industry to provide full support during all phases of the software development life cycle. In Software Magazine's 1990 ranking of the top 50 independent software companies, Cadre was listed as the fastest growing software company in the world last year. With more than 15,000 installations internationally, Cadre's customer base includes Bowing, Lloyds Bank, Philips, and Federal Express.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Interleaf announced Monday that it has entered into a development agreement with IBM to create a Japanese version of Interleaf software for use on the IBM RISC System/6000.

With the new version, Japanese will join 13 other languages already supported by Interleaf, extending the software's ability to handle multi-lingual documentation. IBM will use the Japanese version of Interleaf software to internally produce Japanese documentation.

Bob Weiler, president of Interleaf said, "This agreement marks an important milestone in our relationship with IBM, and positions Interleaf to make its entry into the very exciting Japanese marketplace. We expect the market in Japan for technical documentation to be significant."

Included in the Interleaf family of compatible products are software packages for creating text and graphics, for gathering data and putting it into professional form automatically, for managing the flow of information and documents, and for distributing documents on paper or electronically. Interleaf currently has more than 40,000 users worldwide.

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WESTBOROUGH, MASS. (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Proteon Inc. today announced a Value-Added Reseller (VAR) agreement with Codex Corp. of Mansfield, Mass.

Under the terms of the agreement, Codex's Systems Division will market

Proteon's complete line of token ring networking and internetworking products.

The Codex Systems Division will offer the products through custom bids as part of a complete networking solution. The Proteon products will complement Codex's wide area and internetworking product offerings and allow Codex to develop customized networks for customers whose requirements include token ring applications.

The Codex Systems Division will market Proteon's p4100+ Bridging Router and ProNET 4/16 token ring products worldwide through systems integration contracts.

Today's large-scale environments demand cohesive, effective LAN/WAN connectivity,'' said Nate Kalowski, vice president of marketing for Proteon. ''Codex will be able to leverage its networking systems integration capabilities through access to the leading token ring and internetworking products in the market today to provide a corporate networking solution.''

Based in Westborough, Mass., Proteon is a leading supplier of token ring networking and multi-protocol internetworking products that provide users with a reliable token ring network infrastructure that supports today's critical applications.

The Codex Systems Division, formed in 1989, is chartered with providing networking solutions consisting of professional services and both Codex and non-Codex products. Codex Corp., a subsidiary of Motorola Inc., is a leading supplier of network products and integrated networking solutions. Offerings include network management systems, T1/E1 switches, X.25 networks, multiplexers, modems, DSU/CSUs, LAN internetworking devices, and professional services.

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BILLERICA, MASS. (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Bull HN Information Systems Inc. and The Ultimate Corp. of East Hanover, NJ, jointly announced today the signing of a three-year, $80 million contract that makes Bull

Ultimate's exclusive provider of service maintenance for the majority of Ultimate's installed base.

Under the terms of the contract, Bull will provide Ultimate with ongoing service and support for all Bull and select third-party equipment, including new Bull installations, site inspections and planning and other service options for Bull products.

''We have been committed to servicing Ultimate for ten years and this new contract represents a strong vote of confidence in our capabilities and is an extension of our mutually rewarding relationship,'' said Richard Suech, vice president, Customer Service Operation.

Ultimate provides business solutions to companies of all sizes by integrating system-level software and applications software on hardware platforms from premier computer vendors such as Bull Hewlett-Packard, IBM and Sequoia. In addition to field maintenance, the firm also provides education, training and consulting services to customers across a wide range of vertical markets. Along with its domestic operations, Ultimate has subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, Canada, France and Austrailia.

Groupe Bull, comprised of European-based Bull SA and Bull International SA U.S. based Bull HN Information Systems Inc. and Zenith Data Systems Corp. provides information systems to customers around the world. Its products range from portable to mainframe computers, software and services using both open and proprietary operating systems. With more than 47,000 employees in 90 countries and combined revenues of approximately $6.5 billion, Groupe Bull is among the top 10 computer companies in the world.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The Blockbuster Video chain will become the official retail distributor of Major League Baseball home videos beginning with the release of this fall's World Series video in November,

Major League Baseball Properties and PHoenix Communications announced Monday.

Blockbuster Video, the world's largest home video retailer with 1,400 stores nationwide, will display both new and historical baseball videos for sale or rental in each of its stores 12 months a year. Under the agreement, certain videos will be available to other retailers for mass distribution.

"This agreement means that baseball fans throughout the country will have access to these historic videos for the first time," said Major League Baseball Properties' Director of Publishing David Alworth. "We are very pleased to announce this significant agreement with Blockbuster."

Major League Baseball productions will create five or six new videos per year during the five-year term of this agreement. These videos will be produced from the extensive Major League Baseball library and will highlight both the history, tradition, and entertainment value of the national pastime.

In addition, Blockbuster will carry dozens of historical titles from the Baseball library including World Series highlight programs dating back to 1943.

Major League Baseball Productions is operated under license from Major League Baseball by the PHoenix Communications Group. PHoenix also produces properties for television such as "This Week in Baseball," "Pennant Chase " and ESPN's "Major League Baseball Magazine."

Phoenix will continue to handle the marketing of baseball home videos by direct response and premium sale to corporate sponsors in conjunction with Major League Baseball Properties. Major League Baseball Properties is the licensing arm of Major League Baseball.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Offshore Pipelines, Inc. (''OPI'') 1/8NYSE:OFP3/8 Monday announced that it has acquired from Brown & Root International, Inc. certain marine construction vessels and other related assets for $80,200,000.

The net proceeds from OPI's Initial Public Offering, which closed on July 31, 1990, together with $70,000,000 of additional term debt financing

provided by Den norske Bank AS and an affiliate of Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Incorporated were used to fund this acquisition as well as related working capital needs.

OPI now owns one of the largest marine construction fleets in the world, capable of handling a full range of large-capacity and deep-water construction projects.

Frank C. Wade, Chairman and CEO stated, ''This asset acquisition is a key element in our strategy for continued growth, which includes expanding our operations into deeper water in the Gulf of Mexico and into international offshore areas. In the Gulf, we now have the capabilities of both laying larger diameter pipe in deeper waters and handling more complex jobs that generally have higher profit margins associated with them.

Because of delays in closing the acquisition, due to concerns expressed by the U.S. Department of Justice OPI has agreed with the Department of Justice to sell two of its smaller pipelay vessels within the next ten months. Richard R. Foreman, President of OPI commented, ''While we believe that the Department of Justice's concerns had little merit, we can now implement our strategic expansion plan. Even after this sale, we will maintain the largest fleet of pipelay vessels presently operating in the Gulf of Mexico. We also intend to close the purchase of a fabrication yard and other related equipment from Brown & Root in September 1990.''

OPI provides a full range of marine construction services to companies engaged in offshore oil and gas production and development. OPI has emerged as an industry leader in laying marine pipelines and installing, salvaging and refurbishing offshore oil and gas platforms in the Gulf of Mexico. The Company also fabricates offshore platforms and their component parts and is now one of only two marine construction companies in the Gulf of Mexico capable of operating in all phases of the marine construction industry.

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PORTSMOUTH, RI (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Quadrax Laser Technologies Inc., a unit of Quadrax Corp. (NASDAQ: QDRX) Monday filed a lawsuit in the Federal District Court for the District of Rhode Island against 3D Systems Inc. of Valencia, Calif., seeking a declaratory judgment that Quadrax's

Mark 1000 Laser Modeling System (a) does not infringe any 3D laser modeling system patent.

The suit also demands both monetary damages and injunctive relief for unfair and disruptive competitive sales practices by 3D and seeks a declaratory judgment that 3D's laser modeling patents are invalid and unenforceable. Ciba-Geigy Ltd. indirectly owns approximately 35 percent of 3D Systems.

"We are highly confident that the Quadrax Mark 1000 System is patentable in its own right and will be found to be non-infringing," said Richard A. Fisher, chairman and chief executive officer of Quadrax Corp.

"After consultation with patent counsel, we also believe - and are asking the court to confirm - that 3D's laser modeling patents are invalid and unenforceable," said Fisher.

The scope of 3D's original laser modeling patent was substantially narrowed in 1989 by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office as a result of a reexamination petition filed by E.I. DuPont de Nemours & Co. Inc.

"3D issued a public statement nearly four months ago that it intended to sue Quadrax for alleged patent infringement but, to date, we have not received any official notification of suit," Fisher said.

"3D continues to use its alleged patent rights and threatened litigation to intimidate buyers of our Mark 1000 System. These actions constitute unfair competitive practices for which we are seeking immediate injunctive relief and monetary damages," Fisher said.

"Quadrax is committed to offering customers superior systems in the rapidly growing market for laser modeling systems in which 3D previously held a monopoly position," added Fisher. "The legal action we have taken today underscores this commitment."

Quadrax introduced its Mark 1000 Laser Modeling System in February 1990, the first such system using a visible light laser. 3D's system is based on an ultra-violet laser. The Quadrax Mark 1000 System is capable of producing precision models up to five times faster than ultra-violet light laser systems and is also based on different chemistry and different mechanical systems than the 3D system.

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KNOXVILLE, TN (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Proffitt's Inc. (NASDAQ: PRFT) Monday announced revenues and earnings for the three and six months ended Aug. 4, 1990.

Revenues for the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990, totaled $42,814,380, a 10.7 percent increase over $38,672,809 last year. Net income was $541,739, or 14 cents per share, versus a loss of $285,162, or (eight cents) per share, in the prior year. Average common shares outstanding totaled 3,792,021 compared to 3,787,367 in the prior year. On a comparative stores basis, sales increased by 8.9 percent for the current year over last year.

Revenues for the second quarter were $21,136,835 compared to $19,923,367 last year. Net earnings for the quarter increased to $37,469, or one cent per share, over a loss of $357,125, or (nine cents) per share, for the same period last year.

Proffitt's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, R. Brad Martin, said, "We are pleased with our performance for the first six months of the year. Our pre-tax earnings for the first half reflect the second highest level of performance in the company's history and represent a pre-tax earnings improvement of nearly $1.3 million over the same period in 1989. Our comparable store sales growth of nearly nine percent is an indicator of our capture of additional market share."

Martin continued, "Our gross margin of 39.3 percent was achieved in spite of the discontinuance of our electronics business, which slightly impacted our operating results for the half. The decision to discontinue this business going forward will allow us to allocate our inventory dollars and space more profitably.

Our selling, general, and administrative expenses declined to 28.4 percent of sales from 31.8 percent last year. This reduction is evidence of efficiencies gained through our substantial capital investment in both the stores and our systems and our continued focus on expense control." Proffitt's operates 11 specialty department stores in Tennessee, Georgia, and North Carolina.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - First Union Management Inc. announced Monday that it has leased over 130,000 square feet of retail space to two major tenants at Two Rivers Mall in Clarksville, Tenn.

The two new anchor tenants will increase the occupancy to approximately 80 percent and will spearhead the company's leasing plan to achieve full

occupancy of the mall during 1991. Both of the new anchor tenants are expected to be open for business by November 1990.

L.A. Joe Department Store, owned by Jordache Enterprises, will occupy 41,000 square feet. This ''off-price'' retailer operates 56 stores throughout seven states and provides customers with a variety of brand-name family apparel and accessories, as well as selected hardlines.

Builders Express, a home improvement center, will occupy 90,000 square feet. This tenant operates warehouse-type retail home improvement supply stores offering a wide selection of quality products at discount prices primarily to homeowners and specialty contractors.

Two Rivers Mall is managed by First Union Management Inc., and owned by First Union Real Estate Investments. First Union Real Estate Investments is a self-administered equity real estate investment trust specializing in the ownership of regional enclosed shopping malls, downtown office buildings and multi-family complexes located throughout the United States. The Trust's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Laser Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:PXLS) Monday reported the first results of its preclinical and clinical trials being carried out in connection with company's Ophthalmic Surgical Workstation at the Instituto Barraquer de America, in Bogota, Columbia.

H. Alfred Sklar, director of research for the company, reported that for the past month, the Phoenix Workstation has been operating on a daily basis to carry out comprehensive preoperative diagnostics and ophthalmic surgical workstation procedures for four types of applications, including keratopalysis, scelerectomy, iridotomy and posterior capsuoltomy. These applications have been performed on more than 60 cases, including both animal and human testing.

According to Sklar, the company is currently performing follow-up on both the rabbit and human tests under Phase I of the company's clinical trials.

Sklar reported that ''the refractive changes in the preclinical studies are now stabilizing, and we are proceeding with histopathology.'' He noted that the refractive correction was modulated by varying both the laser parameters and the placement of the cavities. ''Refractive changes have been observed of up to nine diopters with relatively small

mid-stromal cavities,'' Sklar said.

According to Sklar, the human clinical cases, which were treated at the outset of human testing, on Thursday, Aug. 9, ''have showed a clearly demarcated mid-stromal bubble up to within 30 minutes following the procedure. These 'bubbles' appear to collapse with 10 minutes following the procedure.

''Follow-up at 48 hours after the application has shown no trace of the laser treatment other than a refractive change. We have now started enucleations for histopathological verification,'' Sklar said.

As a result, Sklar affirms, ''The ophthalmic surgical workstation has performed up to expectations and has demonstrated its utility as an important instrument for refractive surgery,''

The clinical trials will continue at the Instituto Barraquer de America. Phoenix Laser Systems' Ophthalmic Surgical Workstation is a self-contained proprietary workstation that combines on-line diagnostic measurement, advanced laser beam positioning, high speed tissue tracking, and therapeutic devices for the precise control of laser surgery.

The company's technology permits surgery at cellular levels without creating significant thermal damage to surrounding cells.

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RYE, NY (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Melville Corp., (NYSE:MES) announced it had completed the acquisition of the operating assets of Cirucs World Toy Stores Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Farmingdale, N.Y. -based Greenman Bros. Inc.

Circus World operates 330 retail toy stores in 32 states and its 1989 sales were $177.6 million. The stores will become part of Melville's Kay-Bee division, which operates 770 Kay-Bee Toy Stores located throughout the 50 states and Puerto Rico. Kay-Bee had 1989 sales of $724 million.

Melville, one of the nation's largest specialty retailers, operates in four business segments: apparel; prescription drugs, health and beauty aids; footwear; and toys and household furnishings. The company had earnings of $398 million in 1989 on sales of $7.5 billion. In addition to Kay-Bee, its stores includ Marshalls, Wilsons, Chess King, Meldisco, Thom McAn and CVS. As of December 31, 1989, Melville operated 6,930 stores and employed over 100,000 people.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - RasterOps Corp. (NASDAQ: ROPS), a leader in color imaging technology for Apple, Sun Digital, and IBM platforms, received MacWorld magazine's 1990 World Class winner for its ColorBoard 264.

The company's display board was honored as the year's best in the graphics board category at the August 9 ceremony held during the MacWorld Expo in Boston.

RasterOps's ColorBoard 264 broke technology and price barriers by delivering the first 24-bit display board for the Macintosh family under $1000. Priced at $745, the board incorporates RasterOps' custom VLSI technology and is capable of displaying 16.8 million colors to produce photographic-quality, or True Color, images, crucial for graphics arts, desktop publishing and electronic pre-press applications.

RasterOps Corp., headquartered in Santa Clara, Calif., designs, manufactures and markets photorealistic color-imaging products primarily for the graphic arts, publishing and related industries. RasterOps is the only company that provides 24-bit color display products with live video-in-a-window capability for multiple manufacturers' platforms, including its own line of high-resolution monitors.

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LAS VEGAS (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - TGN Inc. - The Gaming Network - announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary TGN Productions Inc., has signed a letter of intent to purchase KBLR-TV, Channel 39 in Las Vegas.

The purchase, in consideration for approximately $2.2 million in cash and common stock, is subject to approval by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

KBLR-TV began operations in April 1989 and currently offers programming via broadcast and cable transmission to an estimated 250,000 households and 25,000 hotel rooms in the greater Las Vegas area. One of America's fastest growing communities, the Las Vegas ADI ranks 57th nationally among

the top 100 markets for dollars spent on media advertising.

Channel 39 is licensed by the FCC to broadcast with 250,000 watts of transmission power, enough to reach every household in the Las Vegas valley with a clear signal; the station's actual transmission power exceeds 1.32 million watts.

KBLR-TV was the first American television station to broadcast High Definition Television (HDTV), a developing technology which is expected to revolutionize the industry by the year 2000.

Teaming up with Television Technology Corp. of Louisville, Colo. and Faroudja Laboratories Inc., of Sunnyvale, Calif., the station demonstrated HDTV at last year's annual convention of the National Association of Broadcasters in Las Vegas.

KBLR's test proved to be compatible with conventional television sets, as local viewers experienced enhanced images, better definition and more detail than normal transmissions.

TGN - The Gaming Network - is a development stage company planning to transmit televised entertainment and gaming programming via satellite subscribers and satellite dish owners. The common stock of TGN Inc. (formerly Celesta Corp.) is traded over-the-counter.

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TAMPA, FL (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology has begun recovering gold bars from its wreck site 20 miles south of the Dry Tortugas, director Dan Bagley announced Monday.

Six gold bars have been recovered so far. Additionally, a gold emerald ring was recovered this week as well as several intact Spanish olive jars, bringing the intact olive jar total to 15.

''We are delighted to be finding gold this early in the excavation,'' said Bagley. ''Actual excavation of the wreck site has been going on for only about two weeks, and we've uncovered a very small portion of the wreck.''

Three of the bars have EN RADA (or possible a stylized PLAN RADA) stamped into the metal. This marking is cited by archaeologist R. Duncan Mathewson in his book, ''Treasure of the Atocha: A Four Hundred Million Dollar Archaelogical Adventure'' as the ''mysterious 'En Rada Stamp''' found on some of the Atocha's gold bars.

The Atocha was one of the galleons of the 1622 fleet that was lost in a hurricane. The Atocha was found by treasure hunter Mel Fisher in 1985 after many years of searching.

Seahawk has also recovered two mariner's astrolabes from the site. A precursor to the sextant, astrolabes were used by mariners to measure the angle of the sun or stars to determine the position of the ship relative to its latitude. According to Mathewson, ''Only larger Spanish vessels of a treasure fleet would have carried such an important piece of navigational equipment.''

While the markings on the gold bars and the presence of astrolabes suggest the ship is a larger vessel from the ill-fated 1622 fleet, Bagley emphazises that the company still has not been able to ascertain the identity of the ship.

Other artifacts recovered from the site include silver eight-real coins, musket balls, ceramics, and wood. The 1500-feet-deep wreck is the first intact colonial Spanish wreck ever found in deep water. Excavation is being conducted from the 200-foot recovery vessel, the Seahawk Retriever, utilizing the company's $2 million undersea robot, dubbed Merlin.

Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol SDOT.

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NEW CANAAN, CT (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Century Communications announced results of the quarter and the year ending 5/31/90 Monday.

Total revenues for the quarter were $62,057,000, up 22.2 percent over the $50,789,000 in the comparable 1989 quarter. Operating income before depreciation and amortization expense was equal to 57.11 percent of revenues, or $35,443,000, an increase of $7,370,000 over the $28,073,000 of the fourth quarter of 1989.

The loss for the quarter was $12,679,000, or 19 cents per share compared to a loss of $17,289,000, or 27 cents per share for the same quarter in 1989.

Total revenues for the year were $231,242,000, an increase of $40,071,000, or 21 percent over the prior fiscal year. Operating income before depreciation and amortization expense was equal to 51.5 percent of revenues, or $119,075,000, an increase of $16,384,000 over the

$102,691,000 reported in 1989. The net loss for the year was $63,030,000, or 97 cents per share compared to a net loss of $35,556,000, or 55 cents per share for the prior fiscal year.

Century operates 55 cable television systems in 24 states and Puerto Rico serving approximately 830,000 primary basic subscribers. Century also owns and operates four radio stations and owns or has agreed to purchase cellular telephone systems which serve markets with a population of approximately 2,225,000.

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MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Lawrence G. Tapp, president and chief executive officer of Lawson Mardon Group, Monday announced the company's British subsidiary, Celloglas UK, has reached a business agreement which will give the company a leading position in the high volume UK trade finishing market.

Under the agreement, Celloglas and Five Star, a major UK trade finisher, will form a new company to be owned 67 percent by Lawson Mardon and 33 percent by Five Star.

''The merger will significantly increase our presence in the market, particularly in the South East,'' said Tapp. ''We anticipate an immediate rise in sales of about 4 million pounds.''

In 1989, Celloglas UK's sales were approximately 19 million pounds, while Five Star's sales were in excess of 3 million pounds. The merged company is projected to achieve sales of 23 million pounds in 1991, with a return on net assets of close to 30 percent.

Paul Cripps, who tripled Five Star's sales after its first three years in operation, has been appointed managing director of the combined company, which will continue to operate facilities under the Celloglas UK and Five State banners.

''Paul Cripps brings to the new company the dedicated entrepreneurial spririt and strong operations skills essential for success in this highly competitive market,'' said Tapp.

The addition of Five Star's operations will increase Lawson Mardon's

capacity to provide high quality laminating and varnishing services and enable the company to expand its services to include cutting and creasing and shrink wrapping.

''Five Star also brings to Lawson Mardon two new process developments -- a water-based adhesive and an ultra-voilet varnish - which are expected to save the company about 750,000 pounds annually, giving us a sustainable competitive edge,'' said Terry Bloomfield, chairman of Lawson Mardon's Folding Carton Division, Europe.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Morton International Monday announced it has doubled the number of its Automotive Safety Products Group employees in two years to 1,000 employees. The rapid growth in the Automotive Safety Product's workforce, most of it at the Ogden, Utah, facility, resulted from the dramatic growth in demand for the airbag as a safety feature in cars.

''While we have grown rapidly over the past two years, we have been able to maintain a family feeling among our employees,'' said Kenneth D. Holmgren, president of Automotive Safety Products. ''All of us feel proud of the contribution we have been able to make in automotive safety, and maintaining a high level of reliability and quality remains strong here.''

Morton's Automotive Safety Products Group had sales in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, of $163.0 million, more than triple last year's sales. Business segment earnings were $15.3 million compared to a $5.0 million loss in the prior year. The company invested almost $30 million in capital equipment including acquiring a facility in Brigham City, Utah, for expansion of the airbag business to include passenger- side systems. The Brigham City facility is 13 acres under one roof.

Morton International is a Chicago-based manufacturer and marketer of specialty chemicals, salt and automotive inflatable restraint systems.

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GREAT NECK, NY (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of trustees of BRT Realty Trust (NYSE Symbol:BRT) Monday declared a quarterly cash

distribution on its shares of beneficial interest of 16 cents per share, payable Oct. 2, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990.

Israel Rosenzweig, president of BRT Realty Trust, commented that the board of Trustees has set the dividend consistent with the Trust's current level of income.

BRT Realty Trust is a mortgage-oriented real estate investment trust (REIT) specializing in mortgage lending.

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HAMBURG, GERMANY (AUG. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Speaking at the 15th International Cancer Congress in Hamburg, Dr. Alberto A. Gabizon yesterday presented data showing that novel long-circulating liposomes increase the efficacy and reduce the toxicity of doxorubicin, thereby providing a net increase in the therapeutic index of this anticancer drug.

The long-circulating liposomes used in Gabizon's study, and identified as Stealth liposomes to differentiate them from ''traditional'' liposomes, are proprietary to Liposome Technology Inc. (LTI), a California-based pharmaceutical company.

Discussing results of pharmacology studies of Stealth-encapsulated doxorubicin, Gabizon noted that the long-circulating liposomes provided a fourfold enhancement in tumor-drug concentrations in a preclinical lymphoma model, as compared to both unencapsulated doxorubicin and doxorubicin encapsulated in traditional liposomes.

In addition, with Stealth-encapsulated drug, Gabizon observed a selective increase in drug concentration in the tumor and a decrease of drug in the surrounding healthy muscle, as compared to the other two formulations. The enhancement in concentration and selective delivery of drug to the tumor site provided the superior antitumor effect observed in Gabizon's studies.

Gabizon explained that inclusion of a proprietary lipid coating on the liposomal bilayer and special liposome preparation methods result in intravenous liposomal drug carriers with unique properties: Evasion of reticuloendothial system uptake, prolonged plasma circulation time, minimal leakage of drug during circulation, and concomitant enhancement of tumor uptake.

These unique properties distinguish Stealth liposomes from traditional

liposomes and provide a promising tool for improving the selectivity and efficacy of cancer chemotherapy, according to Gabizon.

In another preclinical study comparing the Stealth formulation utilized in the lymphoma study with a second generation lipid coating developed by LTI Gabizon observed that Stealth liposomes incorporating the LTI lipid coating further increased the long-circulating properties of Stealth liposomes.

With these data in hand, Gabizon has concluded that the next logical step is to perform a clinical assessment of the Stealth doxorubicin formulations in man.

A senior lecturer at Hebrew University, Gabizon is associated with the Hadassah Medical Organization's department of Oncology, Jerusalem, Israel. He is conducting preclinical investigations of doxorubicin, sponsored by LTI and designed to develop safety data as required to submit regulatory filings and test Stealth-encapsulated doxorubicin in man.

Located in Menlo Park, Calif., LTI currently is developing injectable liposomal doxorubicin and epirubicin for anticancer therapy, injectable amphotericin B colloidal dispersion for antifungal treatment, and inhaled liposomal albuterol to treat asthma and bronchitis.

The company's second generation product focus is on utilizing LTI's second generation Stealth liposomes to target oncologicals, such as doxorubicin, to tumors and to deliver therapeutic proteins and peptides.

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NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - GTS Corp. (NASDAQ:GTSC) announced Monday that its 53 percent owned subsidiary, Logistics Technology, a provider of data imaging hardware and software systems and related image capture services, has received contracts from several foreign automobile manufacturing companies and from a large U.S. insurance company consortium.

The contracts are generally for the delivery of pilot programs of services and software during 1990 with follow up deliveries of services, software and hardware during 1991 and future years.

Present indications are that shipments contemplated for 1991 could produce an operating profit of about $2,000,000 for Logistics Technology, equal to about 22 cents per equivalent GTS share.

To date, Logistics Technology has been carried as a development joint venture by GTS and its two partners. Current plans are for Logistics Technology to convert to corporate form and have a public offering of stock in 1991 to finance its growth.

GTS owns and operates what is believed to be the country's largest data bank of seismic information which is used by companies exploring for oil and gas. The company is also working on several seismic data acquisitions and joint ventures which may be concluded in the near future.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Commodore Environmental Services, Inc. (NASDAQ:COES) Monday announced results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, revenues decreased to $291,000 from $310,000 one year ago. The net income for the quarter was $11,000 or less than $.01 per share compared to net income of $13,000 or less than $.01 per share, of which $7,000 related to the discontinued operations of asbestos abatement activities in the second quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $578,000 compared to $599,000 for the six month period in 1989. The net loss for the six month period was $14,000 or less than $.01 per share compared to net income of $348,000 or $.007 per share of which $357,000 related to the discontinued operations of asbestos abatement activities in fiscal 1989.

Commodore has stated that it plans to acquire a new business or businesses. It intends to form a committee to seek out and investigate acquisition possibilities by the Company. The Company will consider acquisitions in a number of business areas and will look for companies that are currently profitable.

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MARKHAM, ONTARIO (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - International Semi-Tech Microelectronics Inc. announced Monday that its wholly owned subsidiary STM Systems Corp. has consolidated its position as the leading information technology services company in Canada with the signing of final closing

documents for the purchase of the shares of Manitoba Data Services (MDS) from the Government of Manitoba in a deal estimated to be worth in excess of $150 million.

Signing were Jim Gardiner, president of STM Systems Corp., and the Hon. Clayton Manness, Minister responsible for MDS.

In addition to paying $18.3 million for the purchase of the shares, terms of the agreement call for STM Systems Corp. to establish a company called STM Investments (Manitoba) Ltd. with an initial funding of $1 million to invest in small Manitoba information technology companies.

STM Systems Corp. will also establish an education program in conjunction with the province's universities and colleges, to be worth approximately $2 million over the next five years. It will include funds for guest lecturers, scholarships and the funding of joint projects.

Gardiner said STM Systems Corp. also has plans to construct a Systems Integration Centre of between 80,000 and 100,000 square feet in the Winnipeg area.

He said there is a vision of building a strong, vibrant information technology industry in Manitoba that is shared by the provincial government, universities, the business community and STM Systems Corp.

He said STM Systems Corp., a subsidiary of International Semi-Tech Microelectronics Inc., has annual revenues of $220 million and plans to grow to a billion dollar company with significant international presence before the end of the decade.

STM Systems Corp. is a leading provider of information technology services in Canada, offering total information management solutions on a global basis to private and public sector clients. International Semi-Tech Microelectronics Inc. is a Canadian company whose shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange, trading under the symbol ISE. It owns 41.5 percent of Semi-Tech Microelectronics (Far East) Ltd., a public company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, symbol 448.

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COLUMBIA, S.C. (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert K. King, president of Wells American Corp. (ASE: WAC), Monday announced the company's first quarter results for fiscal 1991.

Sales for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $64,260, compared to $2,559,560 for the like period in fiscal 1990. The company incurred a net loss $1,298,300, or 27 cents per share as compared to a net loss of of $735,250, or 15 cents per share for the comparable period in 1990.

King indicated that the decrease in sales was attributable to the continued suspension of production which began in January 1990. He indicated that first quarter loss also included start-up marketing costs and R&D expenses associated with the company's new MegaMac product line and write-downs of approximately $473,000 which related to discontinued product lines.

King said that the board of Wells American is of the opinion that the company's cash and capital resources together with cash flow from operations will not be sufficient to finance continued operations unless revenues are restored in the very near future to a level which prevents further operating losses.

He indicated that the company has reduced personnel to key employees only and the board currently has ongoing negotiations with third parties in an effort to facilitate an infusion of capital into the company. The company is also attempting to identify and negotiate with individuals or entities who may have an interest in acquiring or merging with the company.

Provided adequate funding can be acquired, King said that the company intends to begin manufacturing its new product, the MegaMac, which is designed to increase the productivity of Macintosh computers for business users.

Wells American's common securities are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol ''WAC.'' For further information on Wells American and its products, contact Robert K. King, president, at the company's corporate headquarters. The address is 3243 Sunset Blvd., West Columbia, S.C. 29169. Phone 803/739-1829, facsimile: 803/794-0810.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - National Patent Development Corp.'s (AMEX/PSE:NPD) 63 percent owned subsidiary, Duratek Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DRTK), Monday announced that Chem-Nuclear Systems Inc., a subsidiary of Chemical Waste Management Inc. (NYSE:CHW), purchased substantially all of the assets used in Duratek's domestic commercial low-level radioactive waste processing business at nuclear power plants.

Duratek received $3,930,000 in cash and will receive an additional $1 million in deferred payments over a five year period. In addition, Duratek entered into a five-year supply contract with Chem-Nuclear for the sale of Durasil products for commercial non-governmental low-level waste removal in the United States.

Duratek said that the sale of its domestic commercial low-level radioactive waste processing business will enable it to concentrate its resources on the increased development of the international commercial low-level waste market and the high-level radioactive market in the United States.

In addition, Duratek will continue to market its products to the United States Department of Energy facilities and develop products for the hazardous waste treatment market.

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BOCA RATON, FL (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - SK Technologies (NASDAQ:SKTC) announced the company's first quarter results for the period ended June 30 which reflect a 258 percent increase in revenues vs. the like period a year ago.

SK reported total revenues of $368,167 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 compared with revenues of $102,918 for the quarter ended June 30, 1989. The company reported a net loss for the quarter ended June 30 of $192,968, or 2 cents per share vs. a loss of $101,141 or 1 cent per share for the comparative quarter a year ago.

SK's management attributes the loss primarily to increases in selling, general and administrative expenses, as the company continues to aggressively implement its marketing program for its StoreKare software product.

Randy Selman, president of SK stated that he is very encouraged by the strong revenue base the first quarter has shown. He commented that, ''Our quarterly revenues are almost 50 percent of our previous fiscal year end figures. Our marketing program seems to be on target as evidenced by the jump in revenues.

''While expenses have significantly increased for the past few months, the infrastructure to handle our growth is now in place and we anticipate the SG and A expenses to stabilize. Coupled with continued aggressive marketing of the StoreKare system, we anticipate a continued growth trend for the up-coming quarters.''

SK Technologies Corp. develops and markets point-of-sale and data communications software specifically designed for fast food, restaurant and retail operations as well as other franchise businesses.

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or
Howard Bronson & Co. Inc., New York
Susan Sherman, 212/867-6160.

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#90232b0795 08/20/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Overseas Shipholding Group Inc. (OSG) announced Monday that it intends to purchase up to 1 million shares of its common stock from time to time in the open market.

Such purchases will be made at the company's discretion, and will take into account such factors as price and prevailing market conditions. OSG currently has 34,888,000 shares outstanding.

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#90232b0802 08/20/1990 ~Business Wire
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Encore Computer Corp. announced Monday the introduction of the computer industry's first parallelized, multithreaded Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) protocol suites.

The new data communications offerings are United States and U.K. Government OSI Profile (GOSIP) compliant and are being hosted on both the Encore Multimax and the Encore 90 Family of UNIX-based symmetrick multiprocessing computers.

Encore's multithreaded implementation of ISO Transport Services, File Transfer Access and Management (FTAM) and X.400 Message Transfer Services allows for unprecedented computer system scaling. These products are based on portable OSI software from Retix, located in Santa Monica, Calif. and are parallelized and integrated by Encore on top of its multithreaded AT&T System V Streams kernel.

Availability on the Encore Multimax 500 Series and the Motorola 88000-based Encore 90 Family computer systems is scheduled for the fourth quarter of 1990 and the second quarter of 1991, respectively. Both systems are capable of using Ethernet/IEEE 802.3 local area and CCITTX.25 wide area networks as communications protocols for the products.

Encore Computer Corp. is a Fort Lauderdale, Florida-based company that designs, manufactures, sells and supports the CONCEPT Family of real-time computer systems and the UNIX-based Multimax Family of parallel/multiprocessing systems and solutions for commercial, technical, and government markets worldwide.

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BEAUMONT, TX (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Gulf States Utilities Co. (NYSE:GSU) officials said Monday that they have signed a contract with

Sabine Gas Transmission Co. for gas storage facilities that will be located in southeast Texas.

The contract for transportation and service will enable GSU to stockpile up to 10 billion cubic feet of natural gas to cope with swings in consumption at its Sabine Station power plant near Bridge City. Presently GSU must adjust gas consumption as it matches electric generation to customer consumption, which varies on an hourly, daily and seasonal basis.

As a result, the utility has been having to swing its fuel purchases on an hourly basis to match customer needs. Because recent pricing trends in the gas supply industry favor steady, uniform usage over swing usage, GSU officials said the storage facilities should save customers money on fuel costs.

''We already have a diversified fuel mix, with most of the electricity we generate coming from natural gas, nuclear and coal,'' an official said.

''Multiple pipelines at Sabine Station already give us the flexibility to buy gas from a number of suppliers. Gas storage capabilities will add a new dimension to our fuel diversification program, partly by enabling us to buy directly from producers, some of whom may be located in our service area.''

The exact location of the facility and other details will be disclosed later, officials said. They added it will probably be a couple of years before the facilities go into operation.

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#90232b0808 08/20/1990 ~Business Wire
GARDEN CITY, N.Y. (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Computer Associates International Inc. (NYSE:CA) announced Monday that its board of directors has approved the repurchase of up to 15 million shares of its common stock in the open market.

Any shares repurchased will be used for general corporate purposes. Computer Associates has approximately 187 million shares outstanding. Computer Associates also announced that Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc. has been appointed as the agent in connection with the repurchase.

CONTACT: Computer Associates International Inc., Garden City
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#90232b0811 08/20/1990 ~Business Wire
IRVINE, CALIF. (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Westcorp Inc. (ASE:WES), a broadly based financial services holding company whose principal subsidiary is Western Financial Savings Bank, announced a 3-cent dividend for shareholders of record as of September 1, 1990, payable on September 20, 1990.

This dividend follows the announcement of second-quarter earnings of 31 cents per share, more than double the 15-cent share earnings for the comparable period in 1989.

Stephen W. Prough, president of the Irvine-based company, stated, ''We are very pleased that the board of directors has authorized this payment to shareholders.'' Currently the board of directors reviews Westcorp's dividend policy on a quarterly basis. The dividend is the third declared by Westcorp during 1990, the other two being paid in March and June for the same amount as this quarterly dividend.

Westcorp has total assets of $3 billion. Its principal subsidiary, Western Financial Savings Bank, operates over 60 offices in California specializing in retail banking, insurance, real estate lending and consumer finance.

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Jonathan Moore, 714/727-1676

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NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - First Commerce Corp. (NASDAQ:FCOM) declared Monday a regular quarterly cash dividend of 30 cents per share on the corporation's common stock.

Dividends are payable Oct. 1, 1990 to holders of record on Sept. 14, 1990.

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Thomas L. Callicutt Jr., 504/582-2913.

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#90232b0830 08/20/1990 ~Business Wire
MONTGOMERY, AL (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - First Alabama Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: FABC) announced Monday that payment of approximately $8.1 million has been received by First Alabama in settlement of the Federal Court judgment disclosed in the company's May 3 news release.

During the third quarter, management has made a decision to modify the company's investment portfolio to improve future yields and to enhance certain financial reserves in light of uncertain economic conditions. These actions and the payment of the judgment taken together are not expected to have a significant effect on the company's third quarter net income.

CONTACT: First Alabama Bancshares, Montgomery, Robert P. Houston or Ronald C. Jackson, (205) 832-8494.

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PONCE, PUERTO RICO (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Ramiro L. Colon Jr. Esq. chairman of the board of directors of Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B. (NASDAQ: PFBS), announced Monday his intention to retire as chairman of the board and director tomorrow at the bank's regular board of directors meeting to be held in Ponce, Puerto Rico.

On August 10, the bank announced the retirement of Colon as president and chief executive officer and the appointement, subject to regulatory approval, of Hans H. Hertell Esq. as president and chief operating officer.

In announcing his intention to the board, Colon stated, "My decision, a week and a half ago, to continue as Ponce Federal's chairman was made solely to insure the occurence of a smooth transition of senior management.

"In view of the high caliber of the bank's board of directors, current management team, and the recently secured financial counsel of the investment banking firm Alex. Brown & Sons Inc., I am confident that all the necessary elements are in place to achieve such a transition while still continuing to provide excellent service to the bank's customers and the communities it serves. As a result, I have decided to retire from the position of chairman and director of the bank.

"Fortunately, the sadness I feel in leaving the institution that I have served for much of my professional life is tempered by my excitement to pursue new personal and professional challenges and my satisfaction in knowing that the bank is financially sound, under extremely capable management and well-positioned for future success."

Colon, a charter member of Ponce Federal's board of directors in 1959, was elected chairman and chief executive officer of the bank in 1972 and president in 1978.

During his tenure as CEO, Ponce Federal grew from a two office, mutual savings institution with $27 million in assets to a $1.3 billion, publicly owned, federal savings bank serving the Commonwealth through a 26 branch

island-wide network supported by one of the stronger capital positions in the thrift industry.

Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B., the third largest thrift institution in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, is a federally chartered, full-service financial institution headquartered in the Southern Coastal City of Ponce, Puerto Rico.

As of June 30, the bank had both tangible and core capital ratios equal to 4.62 percent of adjusted total assets and a risk-based capital ratio equal to 8.10 percent of risk-weighted assets, all of which are in excess of the minimum of OTS requirements of 1.5 percent and 3.0 percent of adjusted total assets and 6.4 percent of risk-weighted assets, respectively.

CONTACT: Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B., Ponce, Ramiro L. Colon Jr. Esq., (809) 844-8100 by Kehoe, White, Savage & Co. Inc., New York, John P. Kehoe/David C. Collins, (212) 888-1616.

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HYANNIS, MA (AUG. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Software 2000, Inc., the leading provider of business management software for the IBM AS/400 midrange computer, today unveiled a new inquiry function for Environmental Management 2000 utilizing Presentation Manager running under OS/2.

The new inquiry function, which is compliant with IBM's Systems Applications Architecture (SAA), was demonstrated today at IBM's AS/400 announcement.

The new inquiry function adds true cooperative processing technology to the Environmental Management 2000 series, allowing the user to retrieve data stored on an AS/400 and manipulate it on a PS/2.

The new Environmental Management 2000 series of products provides companies with tools that analyze, track and manage regulatory information in order to comply with the Occupational Safety & Health Administration's (OSHA) Hazard Communication Standard and the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Superfund Amendments & Reauthorization Act (SARA). The series currently consists of three integrated applications: Right-To-Know 2000, Industrial Health 2000 and Hazardous Materials 2000.

The first product to be enabled with the new inquiry function is Right-To-Know 2000. The inquiry function provides real-time access to hazard information in the workplace as mandated by OSHA. For each chemical substance, the inquiry system will provide information covering:

-- Personal protective equipment that should be worn

-- Acceptable methods of disposal
-- Methods of containment in case of fire
-- Spill clean-up procedures
-- First aid procedures

''Companies can now quickly inform users, including employees or emergency responders, of potential hazards relating to toxic substances and the actions to taken in the event of an emergency situation,'' according to Erin Golden, Software 2000's Product Marketing Manager for Environmental Management 2000.

The next release of the inquiry function will store access information, from which authorized users will be able to report graphically on the data. For example, the instances of required first aid could be graphed to show trends by chemical and the type of inquiry: protective clothing, disposal, containment, etc.

Environmental Management 2000 and the new inquiry function are available immediately and will be marketed through Software 2000's direct sales force.

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#90232c0002 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Biomechanics Corporation of America (TICKER: BCAM) lost $227,091, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $346,164 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $40,910, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $521,038 for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0003 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Capitol Transamerica Corp.(TICKER: CATA) earned $2.58 million, or $0.77 per share, on revenues of $7.08 millionfor the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of 42.42 million, or $0.75 per share, on revenues of $6.34 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0004 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Tandon Corp.(TICKER: TCOR) earned $6.32 million, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $96.83 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.99 million, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $97.70 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0005 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows NESB Corp.(TICKER: NESB) lost $9.76 million, or $1.26 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $6.78 million, or $0.88 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0006 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Burke Mills Inc.(TICKER: BMLS) lost $285,615, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $5.45 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $93,592 (including an extraordinary gain of $42,800), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $6.82 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0007 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Encore Computer Corp.(TICKER: ENCC) lost $16.27 million, or $0.46 per share, on revenues of $52.46 million for the quarter ended July 1, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $14.87 million, or $0.48 per share, on revenues of $41.49 million for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - Diamond State Bancorp Inc. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 665,000 shares of its common stock.

Diamond State Bancorp is a proposed bank holding company for Diamond State Bank National Association (In Organization).

The offering price is $10.00 per share.

The executive office of Diamond State Bancorp is located at 1006 State College Road, Dover, Delaware 19901 and its telephone number is (302) 734-2443.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Aspen Wind Inc. (TICKER: AWND) reporting earnings of $70,219, on revenues of $393,279 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $90,151 on revenues of $366,274 for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mountaintop Corp.(TICKER: VODK) lost $224,691, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $130,969 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $57,088, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $67,321 for the same period in 1989.

Mountaintop Corp. is a development stage company organized in March, 1988, and began selling its product, Attakiska Alaskan Vodka, on a limited basis in November, 1988.

Sales have been limited by a severe lack of working capital.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Information Solutions Inc.(TICKER: ISOL) earned $7,833, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.32 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $34,168 (including an extraordinary gain of $12,000), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.05 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0013 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Virginia Beach Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: VABF) earned $1.37 million, or $0.27 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $3.16 million, or $0.63 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0014 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Illinois Corp. (TICKER: FTIL) earned $5.14 million, or $0.19 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $5.33 million, or $0.19 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Vision Systems Inc. earned $4,855, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.12 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $464,448, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $565,905 for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Barringer Resources Inc. (TICKER: BARR) lost $480,000, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $2.65 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $162,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $2.40 million for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ameribanc Investors Group (TICKER: AINV) reporting income of $202,876, or $0.03 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $2.13 million, or $0.32 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0019 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Alexander & Baldwin Inc. (TICKER: ALEX) earned $22.45 million, or $0.49 per share, on revenues of $162.13 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $21.51 million, or $0.50 per share, on revenues of $144.19 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 506
#90232c0020 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ciprico Inc.(TICKER: CPCI) lost $116,847, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $2.37 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $48,102, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.61 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 451
#90232c0021 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Scottish Heritable Inc. (TICKER: SHER) earned $52,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $10.13 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.70 million (including a loss of $2.27 million from discontinued operations), or $0.44 per share, on revenues of $9.74 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 547
#90232c0022 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Northland Bank of Wisconsin (TICKER: NLBW) lost $152,000, or $0.31 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $166,000, or $0.34 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0023 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Motor Club of America (TICKER: MOTR) earned $360,461, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $19.89 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $811,651, or $0.39 per share, on revenues of $17.47 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 483

#90232c0025 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Cimm Inc.(TICKER: CMOD) lost $1.18 million, or $0.27 per share, on revenues of $799,023 for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.95 million, or $0.80 per share, on revenues of $776,650 in fiscal 1989.

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#90232c0026 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hawthorne Financial Corp.(TICKER: HTHR) earned $3.56 million, or $1.37 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $3.68 million, or $1.42 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0027 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Elmira Savings Bank FSB (TICKER: ESKB) earned $196,791, or $0.33 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $261,656, or $0.44 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 437

#90232c0028 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Allstar Video Inc. (TICKER: ASVD) lost $371,909, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $2.43 million for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $92,229, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.35 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0029 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows IEH Corp.(TICKER: IEHC) earned $53,136, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of

$2.46 million for the quarter ended June 29, 1990.

This compares with net income of $9.663, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $2.48 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 450

#90232c0030 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Madison Bancshares Group Ltd. lost $106,502, or $0.15 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

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#90232c0031 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows SAI Group Inc.(TICKER: SAIG) lost $230,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $990,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $722,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $1.14 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 449

#90232c0033 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Chemical Leaman Corp.(TICKER: CLEA) earned $67,418, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $58.21 million for the quarter ended July 1, 1990.

This compares with net income of $889,711, or $0.93 per share, on revenues of $60.90 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 484

#90232c0034 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Community Banks Inc.(TICKER: CBKI) earned $624,000, or $0.49 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $623,000, or $0.49 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0035 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Home Savings Bank, S.L.A.(TICKER: FSEB) earned $318,497, or $0.41 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $372,151, or $0.48 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0036 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Vicom Inc.(TICKER: VICM) lost $120,539 (including an extraordinary gain of $63,592), or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $1.11 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $76,727 (including an extraordinary gain of $240,495), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.57 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 544

#90232c0037 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:15 that trade in Cedar Group Inc.(NASDAQ: CDRG) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 4 3/8. The company is located in Philadelphia, PA.

-30- 338

#90232c0038 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in Celutel Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol CLU.

-30- 301

#90232c0039 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:35 that trade in Cedar Group Inc.(NASDAQ: CDRG) has been resumed. The first sale was 4 1/2; up 1/8 point from the halt and from the previous close.

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#90232c0041 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Florida Public Utilities Co.(TICKER: FPUT) earned $117,000, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $13.55 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $296,000, or $0.27 per share, on revenues of $14.06 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 493
#90232c0042 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Old Republic International Corp.(TICKER: OLDR) earned $27.50 million, or $1.18 per share, on revenues of $308 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $28.70 million, or $1.24 per share, on revenues of $279.60 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 513
#90232c0043 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Monongahela Power Co.(TICKER: MNLP) earned $11.58 million on revenues of $149.59 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $12.16 million on revenues of $153.63 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 468
#90232c0044 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows TLM Corp.(TICKER: TLMT) earned $114,587, or $0.03 per share, on investment income of $259,996 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $430,163 (including a gain of $1.78 million from discontinued operations), or $0.47 per share, on investment income of $470,480 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 541
#90232c0045 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mid-America Racing Stables Inc.(TICKER: RACE) lost $40,493, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $162,467 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $453,359, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $38,372 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 476
#90232c0046 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Peoples Bancorp of Worcester(TICKER: PPLB) earned $1.26 million, or $0.48 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.48 million, or $0.51 per share, for

the same period in 1989.

-30- 451

#90232c0047 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Cincinnati Financial Corp.(TICKER: CINF) earned $34.69 million, or $2.11 per share, on revenues of $258.06 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $29.38 million, or $1.79 per share, on revenues of $238.08 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 509

#90232c0050 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Standard Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: SFB) earned $2.05 million (including an extraordinary gain of $1.62 million), or $0.38 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $460,000, or $0.42 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 501

#90232c0051 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Morgan Medical Holdings Inc. lost $47,351, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $26,181 for the quarter ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $22,755, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $16,922 for the same period in 1989.

Since 1987, Morgan Medical Holdings Inc. has acted as consultant and project manager for physicians interested in developing and operating magnetic resonance imaging, lithotripsy and ambulatory surgery centers.

Morgan Medical Holdings Inc.'s executive office is located at 777 South Harbour Island Blvd., Suite 876, Tampa, Florida 33602 and its telephone number is (813) 229-7200.

-30- 873

#90232c0052 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Medical Graphics Corp.(TICKER: MGCC) earned $130,016, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $3.22 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $180,894, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $2.76 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 473

#90232c0053 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows North American National Corp.(TICKER: NAMC) earned $354,304, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $4.41 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.44 million, or $0.46 per share, on revenues of $3.22 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 494

#90232c0056 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - Marcam Corp. (MCAM) began trading on the NASDAQ system effective August 16.

Medicis Pharmaceutical Corp. - Cl C Wts 4/10/95 (MDRXZ) began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 15.

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#90232c0057 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 17:

A. Schulman Inc. - W.I. (SHLMV); Insufficient number of regular market makers - Security never quoted

Dollar Saving Association (DSVG); Insufficient number of active market makers

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 16:

Cable Applications Inc. (CBLEE); Not current in required filings
Cable Applications Inc. - Cl A Wts 10/1/94 (CBLWE); Same as above
Cable Applications Inc. - Units 10-1-94 (CBLUE); Same as above
CII Financial Inc. (CIIF); Company request - listed on AMEX
Epic Health Group Inc. (EPIC); No longer 12(g) registered
Hadson Europe Inc. (HADE); Below NASDAQ equity requirements
Ventura Entertainment Group - W.I. (VEGGV); Security no longer in existence

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#90232c0058 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The following issues will undergo name and/ or symbol changes effective August 20:

Dynatec International Inc. - New (DYNXD) to Dynatec International Inc. (DYNX)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective August 17:

Dynamic Classics Ltd. (DYNC) to (DYNCE)
Novametrix Medical Systems Inc. (NMTX) to (NMTXE)

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#90232c0064 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Underwriters Group(TICKER: AUND) lost $95,000, or $0.16 per share on revenues of $39,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $85,000, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $49,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 476

#90232c0065 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Evergreen Bancorp (TICKER: EVGN) earned $2.15 million, or $0.46 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $2.63 million, or $0.57 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0066 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Swift Transportation Co.(TICKER: SWFT) reporting earnings of $1.80 million or $0.34 per share, on revenues of $37.47 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $596,119, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $31.27 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0067 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

PSICOR (TICKER: PCOR) reporting net income of $493,000, or $0.12 per share on revenues of $16.44 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $508,000, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $13.08 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0068 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Computer Network Technology (TICKER: CMNT) listing a profit of $455,907, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.85 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $214,291, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.89 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0069 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Tintoretto Inc.(TICKER: TNTO) earned $55,719 (including an extraordinary gain of $170,243 on settlement of litigation), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $275,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $374,249, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $140,000 for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0070 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Jayark Corp.(TICKER: JAYA) earned $794,188, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $32.44 million for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $631,315, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $18.58 million for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1989.

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#90232c0072 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows FMS Financial Corp.(TICKER: FMCO) lost $1.02 million, or $0.79 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $281,000, or $0.22 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 423
#90232c0073 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Interactive Media Technologies Inc. (TICKER: IMTX) lost $1.39 million, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $32,392 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $349,562, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $603 for the same period in 1989.

Interactive Media Technologies Inc. is a development stage company; it was in the process of ramping up its research and development efforts for its hardware and software products during the quarter ended June 30, 1989, and therefore,the expense was considerably less than in the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

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#90232c0074 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Vector Aeromotive (TICKER: VCAR) reporting nine month losses of $2.88 million, or $0.78 per share, on revenues of $97,341 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $943,338, or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $149,769 for the nine months ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 513
#90232c0075 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Vista Organization (TICKER: VISA) lost $753,930, or $0.02 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $391,825, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $304,844 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 462
#90232c0076 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:40 that trade in Ketchun & Co. Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol KCH.

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#90232c0078 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Celutel Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CLU. Trading was resumed at 13:29.

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#90232c0079 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Attention Medical Co.(TICKER: ATMD) loses $46,437, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $790,808 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $83,594, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $723,593 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 469

#90232c0081 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Security Savings Bank, F.S.B.(TICKER: SSVB) earned $149,791, or $0.21 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $150,755, or $0.21 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0082 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Comtrex Systems Corp.(TICKER: COMX) lost $307,858, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $523,024 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $216,430, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $596,229 for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0083 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Copilot Electronic Products Inc. lost $111,165, at an unknown price per share, on interest income of $817 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $57,061, at an unknown price per share, on interest income of $12 for the same period in 1989.

Copilot Electronic Products Inc. is engaged in the development of a hand-held marine navigational radar/anti-collision warning system.

Copilot Electronic Products Inc.'s executive office is located at 417

Rawhide, Suite H, Olathe, Kansas 66061 and its telephone number is (913) 780-1221.

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#90232c0084 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology Inc.(TICKER: SDOT) lost $286,045, or at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $489,266 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $215,555, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $34,226 for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0085 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bangor Hydro-Electric Co.(TICKER: BANG) earned $1.33 million, or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $29.29 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.05 million, or $0.45 per share, on revenues of $26.77 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0086 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows L.J. Simone Inc. (TICKER: LJSI) lost $2.30 million (including an extraordinary gain of $2.72 million), or $0.73 per share, on revenues of $19.14 million for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $3.50 million, or $1.22 per share, on revenues of $19.30 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90232c0087 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Environmental Power Corp.(TICKER: POWR) lost $198,734, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $23,837 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $696,578, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $353,241 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 466

#90232c0089 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Children's Discovery Centers of America Inc.(TICKER: CDCR) lost $1.91 million, or $0.36 per share, on revenues of $4.97 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $48,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $3.74 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0090 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Goddard Industries Inc.(TICKER: GODD) earned $35,046, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.56 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1,092, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $1.44 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0091 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Insituform Mid-America Inc.(TICKER: INSM) earned $1.15 million, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $10.25 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $447,720, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $6.78 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0092 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows University Graphics Inc.(TICKER: UNIG) earned $123,697, or $0.30 per share on revenues of $672,547 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $3,490, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $613,319 for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0093 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Comstock Resources Inc.(TICKER: CMRE) lost $914,019 (including an extraordinary loss of $734,969), or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $1.06 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $418,891, or $0.18 per share, on revenues

of $2.21 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90232c0094 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Advanced Environmental Recycling Technologies Inc.(TICKER: AERT) lost $375,725, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $29,394 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $199,099, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $4,396 for the same period in 1989.

Advanced Environmental Recycling Technologies Inc. is a development stage firm which has developed and intends to manufacture a composite building material from waste plastic and wood fiber waste for certain specialized applications in the construction industry.

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#90232c0138 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN E ECHLIN REV TR OF 100 DOUBLE BEACH RD, BRANFORD, CT 06405, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF ECHLIN INC. (TICKER: ECH) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(ECHLIN INC. TEL: 203 481-5751)

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#90232c0142 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W ROGER DRURY OF 500 W MAIN ST, LOUISVILLE, KY 40202, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(HUMANA INC. TEL: 502 580-1000)

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#90232c0144 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J MICHAEL SPINALI OF 410 17TH ST STE 1080, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 65,000 SHARES OF ASPEN WIND INC. (TICKER: AWND) THROUGH CHATFIELD DEAN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(ASPEN WIND INC. TEL: 303 629-0747)

-30- 410
#90232c0146 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK LIN OF 24007 VENTURA BLVD, CALABASAS, CA 91302, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF NATIONAL TECHNICAL SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: NTSC) THROUGH BATEMAN EICHLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(NATIONAL TECHNICAL SYSTEM INC. TEL: 818 348-7101)

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#90232c0148 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WORCESTER POLYTECNIC INSTITUTE OF 100 INSTITUTE RD, WORCESTER, MA 01609, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF MULTI SOLUTIONS INC. (TICKER: MULT) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1960.

(MULTI SOLUTIONS INC. TEL: 609 896-4100)

-30- 459
#90232c0150 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN B SCHNEER OF ONE ASCHMANN LANE, CROTON-ON-HUDSON, NY 10520, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DRUG) THROUGH SILVER GRAY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 609 228-8500)

-30- 451
#90232c0152 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRY A MERLO OF 111 SW 5TH AVE, PORTLAND, OR 97204, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. TEL: 503 681-0118)

-30- 435
#90232c0154 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN H UNDERWOOD OF 14608 SUMMIT OAKS PL, BURNSVILLE, MN 55337, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,500 SHARES OF DATAKEY INC. (TICKER: DKEY) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(DATAKEY INC. TEL: 612 890-6850)

-30- 403
#90232c0158 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAM D SCHWARTZ OF 31225 LA BAYA DR, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91362, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF JETBORNE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: JETS) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(JETBORNE INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 305 635-6060)

-30- 435
#90232c0159 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES H PRIDE OF 909 NORTHWESTERN, PERRYTON, TX 79070, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,834 SHARES OF NEW LONDON INC. (TICKER: NLON) THROUGH EDWARD D JONES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(NEW LONDON INC. TEL: 512 494-1179)

-30- 404
#90232c0161 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LOUIS R DURBIN OF PO BOX 515325, DALLAS, TX 75251, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX) THROUGH CHARLES M BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(URANIUM RESOURCES INC. TEL: 214 934-7777)

-30- 421
#90232c0162 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - JOHN C HULL OF 2001 WOLFF, GILLETTE, WY 82716, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF ALLSTAR VIDEO INC. (TICKER: ASVD) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(ALLSTAR VIDEO INC. TEL: 602 438-2295)

-30- 398
#90232c0163 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN F WALTER OF P O BOX 3272, OAKTON, VA 22124, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF ERC ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY SERVI (TICKER: ERCE) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(ERC ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY SERVI TEL: 703 246-0500)

-30- 447
#90232c0164 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD E GREENE OF ONE ENTERPRISE DR, SHELTON, CT 06484, HAS FILED TO SELL 59,000 SHARES OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(DATA SWITCH CORP. TEL: 203 926-1801)

-30- 409
#90232c0165 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BEVERLY SINGER OF 2131 CENTURY PARK LANE #104, LOS ANGELES, CA 90067 HAS FILED TO SELL 212,500 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 14, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 446
#90232c0167 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PERRY KRAPE OF 31 MOTT LANE, BROOKHAVEN, NY 11719, HAS FILED TO SELL

46,500 SHARES OF PDK LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: PDKL) THROUGH FINL SECS RESOURCES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(PDK LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 516 585-3000)

-30- 414
#90232c0168 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK T CALLAHAN OF 909 EAST LAS COLINAS BLVD, SUITE 1900, LB-44, IRVING, TX 75039, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,989 SHARES OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(GREINER ENGINEERING INC. TEL: 214 869-1001)

-30- 454
#90232c0169 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREDERICK W LANG OF 2817 WESTWOOD RD, MINNETONKA BEACH, MN 55361, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ANALYSTS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ANLY) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(ANALYSTS INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 612 835-2330)

-30- 443
#90232c0170 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HEINZ ENDOWMENT HOWARD OF MELLON BK N.A. CORP TTEE, 4035 ONE MELLON BK CEN PITTBURGH, PA 15258, HAS FILED TO SELL 120,000 SHARES OF HEINZ (H.J.) CO. (TICKER: HNZ) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 15, 1990.

(HEINZ (H.J.) CO. TEL: 412 456-5728)

-30- 448
#90232c0171 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS S STELLINGER OF 846 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, NORWOOD, MA 02062, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC)

THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. TEL: 617 551-4000)

-30- 450
#90232c0172 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MURRAY GARBOWITZ OF 75-34 BELL BLVD, BAYSIDE, NY 11364, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF ARISTA INVESTORS CORP. (TICKER: ARIN) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 15, 1990.

(ARISTA INVESTORS CORP. TEL: 212 964-2150)

-30- 424
#90232c0173 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WANDA N HUGHETT OF 8008-A WEST GATE BLVD, AUSTIN, TX 78745, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,000 SHARES OF U S TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: USXX) THROUGH J.W. GANT & ASSOCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 15, 1990.

(U S TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 816 231-3100)

-30- 427
#90232c0175 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAZENOVE & CO OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 15, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 401
#90232c0176 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS SPIEGEL OF 8820 WILSHIRE BLVD, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90211, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,720 SHARES OF TUBOSCOPE CORP. (TICKER: TUBO) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 15, 1990.

(TUBOSCOPE CORP. TEL: 713 799-5100)

-30- 405
#90232c0177 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALD F WAGMAN OF 6639 GUNN DR, OAKLAND, CA 94611, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 15, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 427
#90232c0178 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD L-KEOGH ACT WILKINSON OF 9200 JOHN CARPENTER FREEWAY, DALLAS, TX 75202, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 214 541-2278)

-30- 467
#90232c0179 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES MCCALMONT OF 19 ASTER CT, NASHUA, NH 03062, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF TECHNICAL COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: TCCO) THROUGH ADVEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(TECHNICAL COMMUNICATIONS CORP. TEL: 617 862-6035)

-30- 432
#90232c0180 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARILYN A BEDDOR OF 4400 GULF SHORE BLVD N, ARDISSONE #602, NAPLES, FL 33940, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF BANTA CORP. (TICKER: BNTA) THROUGH WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(BANTA CORP. TEL: 414 722-7777)

-30- 413
#90232c0198 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, RODMAN L DRAKE, DIR. OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $11.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 303
#90232c0200 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 02, 1990, ALICE F EMERSON, DIR. OF BANK OF BOSTON CORP. (TICKER: BKB), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,470.

-30- 311
#90232c0201 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, COLIN C CAMERON, DIR. OF BANCORP HAWAII INC. (TICKER: BNHI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $51.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,050.

-30- 313
#90232c0202 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, MARQUETTE VENTURE PRTNRS LP, BEN. OWNER OF BIZMART INC. (TICKER: BZMT), SOLD 160,000 SHARES AT $14.96 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 740,298.

-30- 345
#90232c0203 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, PHILIP KESSEL, VP OF CATO CORP. (TICKER: CACO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 246
#90232c0204 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, PHILIP KESSEL, VP OF CATO CORP. (TICKER: CACO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 279
#90232c0205 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, D PAUL JONES JR, PRES. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 107 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90232c0206 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, D PAUL JONES JR, PRES. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 142,764.

-30- 345
#90232c0208 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JOHN B FAIRCHILD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAPITAL CITIES/ABC INC. (TICKER: CCB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $608.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90232c0209 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOHN B FAIRCHILD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAPITAL CITIES/ABC INC. (TICKER: CCB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $588.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,937.

-30- 346
#90232c0210 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JOHN E GRONINGER, DIR. OF CONSUMERS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,837.

-30- 331
#90232c0211 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JOHN E GRONINGER, DIR. OF CONSUMERS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,495.

-30- 333
#90232c0212 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, CAROLYN SOLOMON, PRES. OF CIRCLE FINE ART CORP. (TICKER: CFNE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,125.

-30- 318
#90232c0213 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, MICHAEL L JEUB, DIR. OF CLINI-THERM CORP. (TICKER: CLIN), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 431,443.

-30- 310
#90232c0214 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, SAM NAKAGAMA, DIR. OF CLEMENTE GLOBAL GROWTH FUND INC. (TICKER: CLM), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 332
#90232c0216 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 358 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90232c0217 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 358 SHARES AT $23.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90232c0218 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 358 SHARES AT $23.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90232c0219 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 163 SHARES AT $23.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90232c0220 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 488 SHARES AT $23.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90232c0221 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 358 SHARES AT $23.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90232c0222 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, FRANK MANDELBAUM, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DOSE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,900.

-30- 377
#90232c0224 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, GOLDSMITH FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ELSINORE CORP. (TICKER: ELS), BOUGHT 820,400 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,040,300.

-30- 339
#90232c0225 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, HAROLD N GOLDSMITH, DIR. OF ELSINORE CORP. (TICKER: ELS), BOUGHT 820,400 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,040,300.

-30- 319
#90232c0226 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 04, 1990, WESLEY W MASTERS, DIR. OF FALCON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: FLOG), SOLD 1,143 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,650.

-30- 320
#90232c0227 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JACK H MILLER, DIR. OF FIRST MICHIGAN BANK CORP. (TICKER: FMBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,660.

-30- 326
#90232c0228 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JOHN C FRANCIS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIBERCHEM INC. (TICKER: FOCS), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,194.

-30- 331
#90232c0229 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, JOHN C FRANCIS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIBERCHEM INC. (TICKER: FOCS), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $2.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 40,934.

-30- 333
#90232c0230 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JOHNNY R THOMAS, CHAIRMAN OF FIBERCHEM INC. (TICKER: FOCS), SOLD 24,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 190,217.

-30- 315
#90232c0232 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, SUPERIOR FIREPLACE CO, BEN. OWNER OF FIRECOM INC. (TICKER: FRCM), SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90232c0233 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, MYRON A SULTAU, VP OF FRONTIER ADJUSTERS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FRON), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90232c0234 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, MYRON A SULTAU, VP OF FRONTIER ADJUSTERS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FRON), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,350.

-30- 337
#90232c0235 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, RICHARD SAKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FOODARAMA SUPERMARKETS INC. (TICKER: FSM), SOLD 970 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,669.

-30- 345
#90232c0236 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, MASON Y GARRETT, PRES. OF FIRST UNITED BANCORP.(ANDERSON,CS) (TICKER: FUSC), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,639.

-30- 352
#90232c0237 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, ARMANDO ULRICH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HARRIER INC. (TICKER: HARE), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 530,000.

-30- 327
#90232c0238 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, JAMES E SCHIERLOH, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,028.

-30- 295
#90232c0240 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RODERIC H ROSS, DIR. OF HUNT MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: HUN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,475.

-30- 313
#90232c0241 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JOSEPH G DONOHOO, DIR. OF MARK IV INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IV), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,257.

-30- 309
#90232c0242 08/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, PAUL S BUDDENHAGEN, DIR. OF LYDALL INC. (TICKER: LDL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $29.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

5,000.

-30- 301
#90232c0243 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, TTEE OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 23,000 SHARES AT $88.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90232c0244 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, ROBERT P ADELMAN, DIR. OF MICRODYNE CORP. (TICKER: MCDY), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $3.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 560,700.

-30- 312
#90232c0245 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, FUNDAMENTAL MANAGEMENT CORP, BEN. OWNER OF MICRODYNE CORP. (TICKER: MCDY), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $3.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 560,700.

-30- 344
#90232c0246 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, CARL N SINGER, DIR. OF MICRODYNE CORP. (TICKER: MCDY), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $3.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 560,700.

-30- 307
#90232c0248 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, MORRIS D THOMPSON JR, DIR. OF MITCHELL ENERGY & DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: MND), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,092.

-30- 353

#90232c0249 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, LARRY LEE GARTIN, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,720.

-30- 306
#90232c0250 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ROBERT L TAYLOR II, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMERCE BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 326
#90232c0251 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 07, 1987, JAMES W THOMPSON, DIR. OF ONE VALLEY BANCORP OF WEST VIRGINIA INC. (TICKER: OVWV), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90232c0252 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1988, JAMES W THOMPSON, DIR. OF ONE VALLEY BANCORP OF WEST VIRGINIA INC. (TICKER: OVWV), BOUGHT 272 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90232c0253 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PATRICK D CUNNING, AFFILIATED PERSON OF PALFED INC. (TICKER: PALM), BOUGHT 1,471 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,306.

-30- 328
#90232c0254 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, CARL H LINDNER, BEN. OWNER OF PROVIDENT BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PRBK), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $22.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 2,636,716.

-30- 335
#90232c0256 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, DRURY J GALLAGHER, DIR. OF POWER SPECTRA INC. (TICKER: PWSP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90232c0257 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, DRURY J GALLAGHER, DIR. OF POWER SPECTRA INC. (TICKER: PWSP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 224,444.

-30- 317
#90232c0258 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, LOUIS M HAYNIE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RESEARCH INDUSTRIES CORP. (TICKER: REIC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90232c0259 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 08, 1990, LOUIS M HAYNIE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RESEARCH INDUSTRIES CORP. (TICKER: REIC), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

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#90232c0260 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, LOUIS M HAYNIE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RESEARCH INDUSTRIES CORP. (TICKER: REIC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,236.

-30- 337
#90232c0261 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, JANICE R KONKOL, VP OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,449.

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#90232c0262 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, STEPHEN M JONES, OFFICER OF SHARED MEDICAL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: SMED), BOUGHT 135 SHARES AT $11.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 805.

-30- 330
#90232c0264 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, WILLIAM C BROWN, VP OF SOFTSEL COMPUTER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: SOFS), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

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#90232c0265 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JUANITA A BORICK, BEN. OWNER OF SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTL INC. (TICKER: SUP), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

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#90232c0266 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JUANITA A BORICK, BEN. OWNER OF SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTL INC. (TICKER: SUP), SOLD 250 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 485,942.

-30- 332
#90232c0267 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, STEVEN J BORICK, DIR. OF SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTL INC. (TICKER: SUP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE.

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#90232c0268 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, STEVEN J BORICK, DIR. OF SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTL INC. (TICKER: SUP), SOLD 350 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,968.

-30- 319
#90232c0269 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 26, 1990, DIANE PECK, VP OF SAFEWAY INC. (TICKER: SWY), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 246
#90232c0270 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, DIANE PECK, VP OF SAFEWAY INC. (TICKER: SWY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 246
#90232c0272 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, DIANE PECK, VP OF SAFEWAY INC. (TICKER: SWY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 281
#90232c0273 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, TANDYCRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF TANDYCRAFTS INC. (TICKER: TAC), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 271,268.

-30- 326
#90232c0274 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, LEE H WULFMEIER III, DIR. OF NATIONAL TECHTEAM INC. (TICKER: TEAM), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 325,053.

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#90232c0275 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HARRY J FERGUSON, DIR. OF THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TII), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 308
#90232c0276 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, MIRIAM C BAGWELL, DIR. OF UNITED FINANCIAL CORP. OF SOUTH CAROLINA INC. (TICKER: UNSA), BOUGHT 157 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 728.

-30- 357
#90232c0277 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, LYNN W HODGE, PRES. OF UNITED FINANCIAL CORP. OF SOUTH CAROLINA INC. (TICKER: UNSA), BOUGHT 789 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,217.

-30- 354
#90232c0278 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, LYNN W HODGE, PRES. OF UNITED FINANCIAL CORP. OF SOUTH CAROLINA INC. (TICKER: UNSA), BOUGHT 568 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 682.

-30- 353
#90232c0280 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, C HERBERT MAGRUDER, DIR. OF UNITED FINANCIAL CORP. OF SOUTH CAROLINA INC. (TICKER: UNSA), BOUGHT 315 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,807.

-30- 362
#90232c0281 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, CLIFFORD W STUMBO, DIR. OF UNITED FINANCIAL CORP. OF SOUTH CAROLINA INC. (TICKER: UNSA), BOUGHT 473 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,867.

-30- 360
#90232c0282 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAUSE, OFFICER OF UNITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: UT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $27.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 342
#90232c0283 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, GUENTER ZIMMER, VP OF UNIVAR CORP. (TICKER: UVX), SOLD 3,674 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,767.

-30- 290
#90232c0284 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, WALTER A EBERSTADT, DIR. OF WORLDWIDE VALUE FUND INC. (TICKER: VLU), BOUGHT 5,100 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90232c0285 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, WALTER A EBERSTADT, DIR. OF WORLDWIDE VALUE FUND INC. (TICKER: VLU), BOUGHT 29,975 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90232c0286 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, WALTER A EBERSTADT, DIR. OF WORLDWIDE VALUE FUND INC. (TICKER: VLU), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING

INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,754.

-30- 337
#90232c0288 08/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ROBERT D NASER, DIR. OF EXCEL BANCORP INC.,QUINCY (MA) (TICKER: XCEL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,234.

-30- 328
#90232d0040 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 20) - Sudan warned the United States on Monday that there would be "grave consequences" for U.S. relations with Sudan if U.S. warships continue stopping Sudanese commercial vessels.

The warning, in a communique issued by the Sudanese Embassy here, came after a U.S. Navy ship stopped a Sudanese cargo ship, the Dongola, in the Gulf of Aqaba as it was heading for the Jordanian port to pick up Sudanese refugees.

The statement said Sudan "denounces" U.S. interference with its shipping and demanded that no more Sudanese ships be stopped by U.S. naval forces in the region to enforce a trade embargo on Iraq following its invasion of Kuwait.

The Dongola must be "immediately allowed to continue its humanitarian mission" aimed at evacuating Sudanese who have left Kuwait through Jordan and are stranded in Aqaba, the communique said.

The communique said the Sudanese government had decided that the Dongola should stay where it is until the affair is resolved, and reminded the U.S. that United Nations Resolution 661 imposes sanctions on Iraq, not Sudan "or any other country other than Iraq."

Sudanese Foreign Minister Ali Sahloul said in Khartoum Sunday that the ship was carrying 200 tons of steel when it was stopped by the U.S. Navy because it had been unloading the metal at Port Sudan when it received immediate orders to sail to Aqaba.

A Jordanian source said Sunday that Amman was also considering filing a protest about the U.S. action to the U.N. Security Council.

-30- 1687
#90232d0070 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 20) - The OPEC Secretariat announced Monday that the oil producers' grouping will not hold a special conference, as Saudi Arabia's proposal to hold one had not received backing from a majority of the 13 member countries.

In a statement released by OPECNA, the news agency of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, and received here, the Secretariat said:

"In view of the fact that a simple majority of seven countries is required by OPEC statutes before an extraordinary meeting of the OPEC conference can be convened, and since the proposal by Saudi Arabia to vote such a conference has not been able to secure the necessary support, an extraordinary meeting of the OPEC conference will consequently not be held."

The statement added that "However, taking into consideration the situation in the oil market and to relfect the organization's serious concerns, the president of OPEC and minister of mines and industry of Algeria, Sadek Boussena, has taken the initiative to meet some OPEC oil ministers for consultations before the end of the month."

Saudi Arabia has announced that it would increase oil production by two million barrels a day, with or without support from other OPEC members, in the wake of the international embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil ordered after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2. That would replace about half of the normal Iraqi and Kuwait oil exports, now off the market.

Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer said Saturday that his country could not allow a shortage of oil exports to keep pushing oil prices up.

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#90232d0190 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 20) - Japan said Monday it would search for ways to send non-combat military personnel to the Gulf despite a constitutional ban on deployment of Japanese troops abroad.

Deputy Foreign Minister Takakazu Kuriyama said the government would start a full-fledged study this week to decide how Japan can contribute to international efforts to restore peace and stability in the Middle East.

"We will study it from the standpoint that it is important to send personnel," Kuriyama told a news conference. He noted that Japan's post-World War II constitution prohibits the country from sending troops overseas for settling disputes.

"There might be a need to revise law or enact new law" to enable Japan to send non-combat military personnel to the Middle East, Kuriyama said. He

indicated that Japan could revise its overseas emergency aid law to enable it to send the personnel. The 1987 law allows Japan to send medical experts, police officers, and fire fighters to areas hit by natural disasters.

A high-ranking Defense Agency official suggested that members of Japan's Self Defense Forces - the military - could be dispatched to the Middle East after their status was changed to designate them as foreign ministry officials. "The government needs to work out contribution measures as soon as possible," Kuriyama said.

Detailed Japanese assistance measures for Middle East peace efforts are to be announced by the end of this month, government sources said. Kuriyama meanwhile criticized Baghdad's moves to bar foreign nationals from leaving Iraq and Kuwait and to keep them at a specific area as "a violation of international law and human rights."

Another Japanese Foreign Minstry official rejected Iraq's offer to release foreign nationals in Iraq and Kuwait in exchange for a U.S. troop withdrawal. "Foreign nationals there should be treated from a humanitarian point of view," he said, adding that Iraq should not use them to push through its demand.

The ministry said Japanese nationals were not included in a list of foreigners ordered by Iraq to assemble at major hotels in Kuwait. Japanese are forbidden to leave Kuwait but have not been forcibly rounded up, it said. There were 278 Japanese nationals stranded in Kuwait and 231 in Iraq as of Sunday, according to the ministry.

U.S. Ambassasor to Japan Michael Armacost discussed the Gulf situation with Foreign Ministry officials here Monday, officials said without elaborating. But official sources said that Washington had asked Japan to cooperate by sending personnel and increasing its financial contribution to the U.S.-led multinational force assembling in the Gulf.

Japan is considering using private-sector ships and aicraft to transport personnel and materials to the Middle East, official sources said. Saudi Arabia had asked Japan to use commercial vessels and planes for transports to the Gulf, they said.

Japan's Maritime Safety Agency meanwhile said it had issued a navigation warning to Japanese-manned ships, calling for caution when sailing in the Gulf and the Red Sea. The warning was issued over the weekend after the U.S. Defense Department put in place a sea blockade against Iraq and Kuwait, officials said.

#90232d0320 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EAST BERLIN (AUG. 20) - A top West German manager resigned Monday four weeks after he shouldered the giant task of putting East Germany's battered industry back on its feet.

Reiner Gohlke, 56, who had a reputation for rescuing finanically troubled West German firms, was named director of a newly-formed trust in mid-July to oversee the deregulation and privatisation of the former communist nation's 8,000 state enterprises and combines.

Detlev Carsten Rohwedder, 57, so far trust administrative board chairman, was named new director to succeed Gohlke, the East German government said. Rohwedder is also board chairman of the giant West German steel and engineering firm Hoesch.

Gohlke's surprise resignation, which came only one day after the walkout of the Social Democrats, the country's second biggest party, from the government coalition, further deepened the political crisis.

The trust was set up to prepare East German industry for the market economy. Many sectors of once state-run industry are on the verge of collapse, following the currency union with West Germany on July 1.

Gohlke, former head of the West German subsidiary of the American Ibm computer concern, was appointed in 1980 to put West Germany's state railways back on the tracks.

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#90232d0350 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUSCAT (AUG. 20) - U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney arrived Monday in Salalah where he met immediately with Oman's Sultan Qaboos bin Said to discuss the Gulf crisis, officials said.

Mr. Cheney arrived in Salalah, 1,000 kilometers (620 miles) southwest of here, from the United Arab Emirates (UAE), where he announced that the UAE had agreed to the deployment of U.S. forces on its territory and said C-130 transport planes were already operating from the Gulf emirate of Abu Dhabi.

The UAE was the second Gulf country -- after Saudi Arabia -- to accept the U.S. troop deployment to ward off any Iraqi attack in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Mr. Cheney, quoted earlier by an official travelling in the Gulf with him, did not disclose the number of troops to be stationed in the UAE.

Some 20,000 U.S. ground and air units have been deployed in Saudi Arabia so far as part of a multinational force to prevent Iraqi troops in neigboring

Kuwait from launching an attack on the kingdom.

Mr. Cheney arrived here as part of a Gulf tour that has already taken him to the UAE, Saudi Arabia and Bahrain for urgent talks with regional leaders on the Gulf crisis.

He is due to return to Saudi Arabia later Monday to meet Saudi Defense Minister Prince Sultan bin Abdel Aziz in Jeddah.

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#90232d0410 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (AUG. 20) - Iraq was ready to offer Egypt a sizeable bribe in foreign currency to turn a blind eye to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, the weekly economic paper Al Ahram Al-Iqtissadi reported Monday.

Quoting a senior Egyptian official, the paper said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had sent an envoy with a verbal message to President Hosni Mubarak several days before the invasion, offering him "a bribe."

The paper said the bribe was "substantial, one such as Egypt had never received in one go," adding that Mr. Mubarak had "categorically" rejected the offer.

The report seemed to suggest that the Egyptian leader was forewarned about the invasion. There was no official reaction to it.

Earlier, the Egyptian press blasted Mr. Hussein and his latest proposal to trade tens of thousands of foreigners for a U.S. troop withdrawal from the Gulf.

"The Iraqi dictator is writing the darkest pages of world history," a commentator in the semi-official Al-Akhbar newspaper said.

Another influential newspaper, Al-Gomhouriya, charged that Mr. Hussein had "violated all the laws and obligations" that he was expected to respect.

Egypt has sent several thousand troops to Saudi Arabia to join an Arab force deployed in the kingdom along with at least 20,000 U.S. troops to prevent a possible Iraqi attack.

-30- 1538
#90232d0460 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANJUL (AUG. 20) - Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor on Monday backed out of talks scheduled in the Gambian capital with West African leaders trying to end the eight-month civil war in Liberia.

A Gambian official said Mr. Taylor had sent a telegram to Gambian President Dawda Jawara, the current chairman of the 16-nation Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) which has assembled 2,500 troops to keep the peace in Liberia once a cease-fire is arranged.

The message said Mr. Taylor would be represented by a rebel delegation at the talks with Sir Dawda and foreign ministers of the ECOWAS mediating committee.

It was the second time in under a week that Mr. Taylor failed to show up here. Last Thursday his absence was ascribed to "technical reasons" in an ECOWAS statement, while a Gambian official said Mr. Taylor was unwell.

The peacekeeping force, currently standing by in Sierra Leone, has been welcomed by embattled President Samuel Doe and Mr. Taylor's rebel rival Prince Johnson, but Mr. Taylor has dismissed it as a "regional dictatorship club" and vowed to resist it if it enters Liberia without his express invitation.

The National Patriotic Front of Liberia leader's repeated absence from talks is viewed as a bid to gain time to strengthen his position on the ground so that he can win final victory over Mr. Doe and take power.

-30- 1554
#90232d0480 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (AUG. 20) - Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama arrived here Monday from Oman on a two-day visit for talks with Jordanian officials on the Gulf crisis and recent Middle East developments, an official said.

Mr. Nakayama had earlier met with Oman's Sultan Qaboos bin Said and handed him a message from Prime Minister Toshiko Kaifu. He is visiting Saudi Arabia, Oman, Jordan, Egypt and Turkey on a tour that was originally to have been undertaken by Mr. Kaifu.

Mr. Nakayama, the most senior Japanese official to visit the region since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, is touring the five countries to explain why Mr. Kaifu postponed his trip and to gather first-hand knowledge of the Gulf crisis.

Japan said Monday it would search for ways to send non-combat military personnel to the Gulf despite a constitutional ban on deployment of

Japanese troops abroad.

-30- 1043
#90232d0500 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GENEVA (AUG. 20) - U.S. warships in the Gulf are carrying 342 nuclear warheads, a former West German admiral speaking on behalf of Greenpeace claimed here Monday.

Elmar Schmaehling, speaking at a press conference held by various peace groups here, said that among the warheads were those on 42 Tomahawk cruise missiles.

With French, British and Soviet ships included, the number of nuclear warheads in the region totalled about 700, he said. Atomic weapons could not deter Iraq from using chemical weapons, Schmaehling warned.

-30- 707
#90232d0590 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RABAT (AUG. 20) - King Hassan has granted a pardon to 546 detainees Monday, the Moroccan news agency Map reported.

It said the pardon was to mark the 37th anniversary of ''the revolution of the king and the people'' - a reference to August 20, 1953 when Sultan Muhammad ibn Yousuf agreed to go into exile in Europe.

''Of the 546 detainees benefiting from the royal free pardon, some will be amnestied, some will be granted a reduction in their sentence while others will have their life imprisonment sentence commuted to term imprisonment,'' Map said.

-30- 732
#90232d0740 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTONBAGHDAD (AUG. 20) - President George Bush, declaring Washington refused to be intimidated, held Iraq responsible Monday for the safety of the foreigners it is not allowing out.

In an angry speech, Bush accused Baghdad of violating the tenets of its ''own religion'' and traditional Arab hospitality in its treatment of foreigners - including some 3,000 Americans.

Bush also for the first time referred to the foreigners being held against their will in Iraq as hostages - a term the administration up to now has carefully avoided using. ''There can be little doubt they are, in fact, hostages,'' Bush said.

Iraq renewed its warning to all diplomatic missions in Kuwait Monday to close down by August 24, saying diplomats would be dealt with as normal foreign citizens after that deadline.

In Kuwait, Iraqi occupying forces Monday picked up 82 Britons from the Kuwait Regency Hotel. According to foreign ministry officials in London, the Iraqis also hold 14 Britons from the Kuwait International Hotel and about 27 picked up at roadblocks.

U.S. forces, meanwhile, are expanding their Gulf deployment into the United Arab Emirates, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said in Abu Dhabi Monday after talks with Uae president Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahyan. Abu Dhabi television said 16 military transport flights had already brought 500 troops into the Emirates.

Cheney had said earlier that Washington was determined to defend the region and get Iraqi troops out of occupied Kuwait.

''We are determined to defend our friends in the Gulf and face the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait,'' he told the country's Wam news agency at the start of a Gulf tour. ''We will find the adequate means to get the Iraqis out of Kuwait and we have many things which we can do.''

Iraqi authorities Monday released the fourth batch of Iranian prisoners-of-war as the two former Gulf war foes stepped up their repatriation plans, Iran's official news agency Irna reported.

The latest group of Iranian Pows was handed over to officials of the International Committee of the Red Cross (Icrc) at Khosravi border point in western Iran Monday morning, the agency said.

There was no word on how many Iranian Pows were freed Monday as Iraqi buses continued to bring the former prisoners to Manzarieh township of Iraq on the border between the two countries, it added.

Iran and Iraq agreed Sunday to raise to 8,000 the daily number of Pows to be exchanged between them in an agreement finalised in Geneva.

The exchange of Pows is in line with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's peace offer to Iran last week which also provided for a withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Iranian territory in what was viewed as a tactic designed to free his eastern front for possible military confrontation in the Gulf crisis.

Iraqi forces Monday morning completely pulled out of the Iranian city of Mousian and its 21 villages, 300 kms southeast of the provincial capital, and returned to the internationally-recognized borders, Irna said.

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#90232d0800 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DAMASCUS (AUG. 20) - Syrian President Hafez Assad met here Monday with special envoys from Saudi Arabia's King Fahd and Yemeni President Ali Abdullah Saleh to discuss the Gulf crisis.

The official Syrian News Agency Sana said Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal conveyed a letter from King Fahd during his three-hour meeting with Assad.

It did not give details of the message, but said that Assad gave Saud a reply letter. Sana added that ''talks centred on the situation in the Gulf''.

Assad also met Abdul Aziz Abdul Ghani, a special emissary of President Saleh and a member of the Presidential Council in Yemen. No details of their talks were available. But Abdul Ghani said in an arrival statement that he was carrying a letter from Saleh to Assad.

''I had come to consult on issues of common interest, and Arab and international developments,'' he said.

Meanwhile, Damascus Monday criticised Iraq's detention of foreign nationals in Kuwait and Baghdad, saying such action escalated tension in the region and gave foreign powers the justification to intervene militarily.

The political commentator of state-run Damascus Radio said that Iraq ''intended to increase the tension in the region, which might develop into a confrontation without giving any consideration for the repercussions on Kuwait,
Iraq and the Arab nation''.

-30- 1557
#90232d0880 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DJIBOUTI (AUG. 20) - The French aircraft carrier Clemenceau, the cruiser Colbert and the supply ship Var will arrive Wednesday in Djibouti, the French naval commander for the Indian Ocean, Rear Admiral Pierre Bonnot, said Monday.

The 40 combat helicopters aboard the aircraft carrier will be unloaded in Djibouti to take part in training exercises for several days before the convoy puts to sea again

The length of the port call in Djibouti and the ultimate destination of the the three ships has not yet been decided, Admiral Bonnot said.

The French foreign ministry said Sunday that France had instructed its naval force in the Gulf to act "firmly" to implement the U.N. embargo on trade with Iraq and to use "force" where necessary.

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#90232d0960 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (AUG. 20) - A strong tremor Monday rocked the Caspian town of Roudbar, which was devasted by an earthquake in July, the Iranian news agency Irna said.

The fresh jolt, which measured 5.2 on the Richter scale, hit the town at 3.50 p.m. (12:20 Gmt). There were no immediate reports on casualties or losses.

The epicentre was 200 kilometres from Teheran.

On June 21, a major quake hit the Caspian provinces of Gilan and Zanjan, leaving more than 36,000 dead, tens of thousands injured and nearly half a milion homeless.

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#90232d0990 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 20) - Sacked Pakistani prime minister Benazir Bhutto met President Ghulam Ishaq Khan on Monday for the first time since he dismissed her from office two weeks ago, officials said.

Ms. Bhutto, her husband, Asif Ali Zardari and an aide, Happy Minwala, her former ambassador-at-large, discussed the role of the caretaker administration with Mr. Ishaq Khan during the one-hour meeting held at her request, they said.

Ms. Bhutto questioned the neutrality of the interim government headed by her rival Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi, the former parliamentary opposition leader who took over as prime minister August 2.

An official statement said Ms. Bhutto expressed concern that the caretaker government would either fail to hold elections as promised on October 24 or try to rig the polls.

Mr. Ishaq Khan assured her that fair, free and impartial elections would take place as scheduled and the people's verdict would be "accepted and honoured with open heart and mind," the statement added.

In response to a complaint from Ms. Bhutto about her "character assassination" in the official media, the president told her that she had not left behind "an impressive record," the statement said.

Mr. Ishaq Khan assured Ms. Bhutto, who charged victimization of her party workers, that no one had been or would be arrested without the sanction of law,

and no evidence against her administration would be extracted illegally.

The interim government plans to establish special tribunals of superior court judges to try cases of corruption relating to Ms. Bhutto's 20-month rule.

Mr. Ishaq Khan accused her government of widespread looting and plundering.

Ms. Bhutto has denied the charges and said her party wants such trials to take place in ordinary courts of law.

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#90232d1020 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 20) - Output of steel in the world's top 40 producer countries fell by 2.2 percent last month compared with July 1989, to reach 54.891 million tons, the International Iron and Steel Institute (IISI) reported Monday.

Production in the European Economic Community (EEC) fell back 2.4 percent, to 11.29 million tons, notably with a plunge of 9.3 percent in West Germany, the Community's biggest steelmaker.

Brazil saw production fall back 23.4 percent. There was an increase of 2.5 percent in the United States, comparing July 1989 and 1990, but this failed to redress an overall fall of 3.1 percent in U.S. production during the first seven months of this year.

Production remained unchanged in Japan, at 9.19 million.

In eastern Europe, steelmaking in the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Hungary and Poland declined 2.2 percent, reaching 16.03 million tons for July.

The 40 countries monitored by the IISI accounted for 87 percent of world steel production last year. The figures are considered an important indicator of economic growth, as steel is a basic material in construction, shipbuilding, car making and other consumer manufacturing.

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#90232d1050 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (AUG. 20)- Foreigners held in Iraq have been moved to ''all vital

and military installations,'' a spokesman for the Iraqi National Assembly said on Monday.

The Iraq News Agency Ina quoted the spokesman as saying that the foreigners were being housed in comfortable conditions at modern facilities and were enjoying good health.

Iraq announced last week that foreigners would be moved to strategic installations, apparently to deter a U.S. strike in retaliation for Iraq's annexation of Kuwait.

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#90232d1080 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) - The U.S. State Department advised Americans Monday to avoid going to Jordan following Israeli reports that Jordan's King Hussein may have put his country on a war footing as tensions in the Gulf mount.

All non-essential U.S. embassy personnel and dependents in Amman were also given permission to leave, the State Department warning said.

''Due to the Iraqi military invasion of Kuwait and continuing unstable conditions in the region, the Department of State advises all Americans to defer non-essential travel to Jordan,'' the warning said.

It added that non-essential embassy personnel and their families were being allowed to leave Jordan ''on a voluntary basis'' and that the State Department ''advises other American citizens in Jordan to consider doing the same.''

U.S. citizens in Jordan were advised to inform the U.S. embassy in Amman of their presence.

Similar travelers advisories were issued for Iraq, Kuwait, eastern Saudi Arabia and Yemen.

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#90232d1100 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 20) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,552.50 (1,578.00) 1,522.20 (1,540.50)
Lead 458.00 (459.90) 466.50 (465.50)
Zinc Sh 1,592.00 (1,600.50) 1,532.50 (1,536.00)

Tin 5,992.00 (6,080.00) 6,105.00 (6,192.50)
Aluminium 1,797.00 (1,795.00) 1,818.50 (1,819.50)
Nickel 11,650.00 (11,250.00) 10,937.00 (10,762.00)

(the last three Super Highgrade)

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#90232d1110 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 20) - A U.S. warship was Monday afternoon sailing off the coast of the Saudi village of Haql, 25 kilometers (16 miles) south of the Jordanian port of Aqaba, a reliable source said, citing eyewitnesses said.

Jordanian taxi drivers shuttling between Haql and Aqaba saw the warship off the Saudi coast, near the Jordanian border, the source said, adding that the southern coastal area of Haql was declared off-limits by Saudi authorities.

Well placed Jordanian sources said the United States was attempting to seal off Aqaba by preventing all activity in the port to halt shipments to Iraq.

On Saturday Jordanian authorities at the port began unloading sugar from a Cypriot-registered ship destined for Iraq despite a United Nations Security Council trade embargo approved on August 6 against Iraq, four days after it invaded Kuwait.

Jordanian officials have said the restrictions do not apply to food and medicine.

U.S. Navy vessels in the Red Sea on Saturday prevented the Sudanese ship Dongla from sailing towards Aqaba to repatriate about 1,000 Sudanese nationals who fled Kuwait and Iraq and were headed for Jordan.

Crown Prince Hassan said Friday his country accepted the U.N. sanctions and had actually begun gradually decreasing the movement of goods at Aqaba.

Fewer ships have been calling at Aqaba in the wake of the Gulf crisis and the Western military buildup in the region.

On Sunday however, trucks loaded with frozen meat, cotton and other goods left Aqaba for Iraq after two Iraqi freighters were permitted to unload their cargoes, a shipping agent said.

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#90232d1160 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 20) - Amnesty International said Monday it was appealing to Iraqi authorities over a "wide variety" of human rights abuses in Iraq and

Kuwait including the detention of foreigners, rapes and summary executions.

Iraqi plans for the detention of up to 13,000 foreign nationals in Iraq and Kuwait and reports that some 200 Western nationals had already been rounded up were "arbitrary and contrary to fundamental internationally-recognized standards of human rights," Amnesty said.

"They should be released immediately and unconditionally and allowed to exercise their right to return to their home countries," the London-based human rights organization said in a statement.

Amnesty was also "concerned" about reported human rights violations by Iraqi forces in Kuwait, "which included rape, extrajudicial killings and summary executions," the statement said.

The organization said it had received reports of a number of killings of unarmed civilians "outside the context of armed conflict."

Amnesty said it had been told that Iraqi soldiers fired at a group of 35 women and youths in the Jabiriyya district of Kuwait City and said an eyewitness had reported that three youths died after being shot in the head and heart.

It was also worried about "hundreds" of Iraqis living in Kuwait reported to have been arrested within days of the Iraqi invasion.

Many were said to be Shiite Moslems with suspected links to the Iraqi opposition group al-Dawa al-Islamiyya (Islamic Call), membership of which is a capital offense in Iraq.

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#90232d1280 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 20) - U.S. President George Bush called on Iraq to release foreign hostages as Baghdad continued to move Western nationals in Kuwait and Baghdad to strategic installations for use as human shields against any attack by Western forces in the Gulf.

The foreign military presence in the region was boosted further Monday by the start of deployment of U.S. forces in the United Arab Emirates, which said it would accept Arab and "friendly" forces.

Mr. Bush said in an address to war veterans in Baltimore that he would hold the Iraqi government responsible for the safety of U.S. citizens, whom he referred to for the first time as "hostages".

The U.S. president has rejected a deal proposed by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Sunday to free foreign nationals if the United States removed

forces from Saudi Arabia and a worldwide trade embargo were lifted.

Baghdad has ordered thousands of Westerners in Kuwait to go to three hotels for relocation, singling out British, French and U.S. nationals, whose governments have contributed to the multinational naval force deployed in the Gulf following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

But Iraq is allowing some Western Europeans, a group of Argentines and all Indonesians to leave because their governments have not taken part in the military buildup. China has evacuated nearly 250 Chinese and Taiwan nationals.

Britain said Monday that Iraqi forces in Kuwait have rounded up a further 82 British nationals from a Kuwait city hotel and taken them to an unknown destination. The Foreign Office confirmed earlier that another 41 British nationals had also been rounded up Saturday by Iraqi forces.

Six French nationals were also moved from a Kuwait hotel, bringing to 33 those moved out. Some 35,000 Egyptians who fled Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait to Jordan following the Iraqi invasion of the emirate are in Jordan waiting to be sent home.

Some 10,000 expatriates, most of them Arabs, have trekked across the desert from Iraq and entered Jordan at the Roweished border post each day for the past week.

Iraq on Monday warned Iraqi and Kuwaiti nationals against harbouring foreigners without the government's knowledge, warning they would face "severe sanctions" if they take in foreigners without declaring their presence to the authorities.

Iraq earlier announced that embassies located in Kuwait had five days to close down and that envoys who ignored the order would lose their diplomatic immunity.

Meanwhile it was announced in Paris that the 12 EEC foreign ministers will meet Tuesday to discuss the fate of foreigners trapped in Iraq and Kuwait, particularly focussing on European nationals.

The OPEC Secretariat announced Monday that the oil producers' grouping will not hold a special conference, as Saudi Arabia's proposal to hold one had not received backing from a majority of the 13 member countries.

It said however that OPEC president Sadek Boussena, has taken the initiative to meet some OPEC oil ministers for consultations before the end of the month.

Saudi Arabia has announced that it would increase oil production by two

million barrels a day, with or without support from other OPEC members, in the wake of the international embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil.

Japan said Monday it would search for ways to send non-combat military personnel to the Gulf despite a constitutional ban on deployment of Japanese troops abroad.

Deputy Foreign Minister Takakazu Kuriyama said the government would start a full-fledged study this week to decide how Japan can contribute to international efforts to restore peace and stability in the Middle East.

Japanese nationals are not included in a list of foreigners ordered by Iraq to assemble at major hotels in Kuwait. They are forbidden to leave Kuwait but have not been forcibly rounded up.

There were 278 Japanese nationals stranded in Kuwait and 231 in Iraq on Sunday.

The Gulf crisis continued to effect international markets although in New York the Dow Jones index gained 16 points in early trading before levelling off.

In Frankfurt stocks plunged to a new low for the year on Monday, as the DAX spot trend index ended at 1,635.69, off 30.19 points on the day.

The Paris Bourse was down 3.19 per cent at the close.

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#90232d1310 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 20) - Pleas for an end to the ongoing slaughter of blacks in townships near here were drowned out by the crackle of gunfire Monday as violent clashes were reported on at least eight fronts.

Police said townships affected overnight and on Monday included Kwathema,

Daveyton, Tembisa, Duduza, Wattville, Vosloorus and Katlehong, east of here,
and Kagiso to the west.

But Tokoza and Soweto, which have borne the brunt of the killings in the past week, were reported by police to be calm but tense Monday.

In a frenzy of bloodletting in townships within a radius of 50 kilometers (31 miles) of here, the body count rose from 280 in the morning to a staggering 381 by nightfall. Police said they were finding new bodies hourly.

Most of the deaths and hundreds of injuries were caused by gunfire according to police, and hospital authorities reported treating scores of people for bullet wounds.

Police reinforcements were sent into Tembisa and Kwathema where Zulu hostel dwellers claiming allegience to Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha party,

battled African National Congress (ANC) supporters, correspondents said.

At least 22 Kwathema hostel dwellers, mostly non-Inkatha supporters, were hacked to death Monday morning. Police said most of the hostel complex was razed in the ensuing chaos.

Hundreds of non-Inkatha members packed their belongings and fled the area under police escort as threats grew of a looming clash after dark between township residents and Zulus.

Police late Monday were still trying to facilitate a truce between delegations from both sides in Kwathema, where 56 people have died in the past week, and in Tembisa, where a total of 16 are reported dead.

The Kwathema clashes, residents said, were sparked off by the influx of people fleeing violence in adjoining townships.

In Soweto, police said they had arrested three men carrying a Russian-made Scorpion assault pistol and two hand-grenades.

Police said two were trained ANC guerrillas while the third was a legal advisor for the South African commercial, catering and allied workers' union.

Meanwhile, clerics, police and commmunity leaders at the weekend callrf on ANC deputy president Nelson Mandela to hold talks with Mr. Buthelezi in a bid to stem the flow of blood.

And on Monday, the European Economic Community (EEC) added its voice to the growing pleas for peace, saying in a statement issued in Brussels that the "pointless bloodbath" was hindering the efforts of those workings towards the creation of a non-racial democracy in South Africa. But prospects for a meeting of the two leaders appeared remote Monday, with ANC internal leader Walter Sisulu at the weekend saying it was a "most disastrous type of approach".

"That means that Inkatha launched a war in order to bring us to our knees. For that type of thing we are not prepared," he said in a television interview.

The pro-ANC South African Youth Congress said in a statement that none of

the voices that have thus far called on Mr. Mandela to hold talks with Mr. Buthelezi had "convincingly argued that such a meeting would bring an end to the Inkatha-led violence".

Denying that Inkatha was orchestrating the violence, Mr. Buthelezi late Sunday said Mr. Sisulu's remarks "stoked the flames of violence".

Meanwhile Mr. Mandela's wife Winnie on Sunday warned that the ANC may re-engage its army Umkhonto We Sizwe (MK) if the carnage in the townships was not ended and the single-sex hostel system was not abolished.

The ANC agreed to suspend its 29-year armed struggle against Pretoria's white minority government on August 6 as a means of contributing to the creation of the "climate of peace" the government says is necessary before constitutional negotiations can begin.

But MK chief of staff Chris Hani, who Monday had an order indemnifying him from arrest revoked by President Frederik de Klerk, expressed concern at violence emanating from the rightwing and from Inkatha.

The pattern of the violence convinced him that there were "destabilising forces" at play, Mr. Hani told Agence France-Presse in a telephone interview from Transkei tribal homeland Monday.

"I've seen similar patterns in Angola and Mozambique," he said.

In another development, President Frederick de Klerk will meeting with Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi early Tuesday, Janneta Badenhorst, a spokeswoman for Mr. de Klerk's office confirmed Monday.

State-run television said the violence in the black townships would be the focus of talks between the two men, but Miss Badenhorst told AFP she could not confirm this.

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#90232d1370 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) - An undetermined number of foreigners, including at least 12 U.S. citizens, were moved from hotels in Kuwait's capital Monday and taken to undisclosed locations, the State Department said.

U.S. diplomats in Kuwait and Iraq have lodged protests, but the whereabouts of the Americans remains unknown, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

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#90232d1620 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUSCAT (AUG. 20) - U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney late Monday left Salalah after meeting with Oman's Sultan Qaboos bin Said to discuss the Gulf crisis and deliver a message from President George Bush, officials said.

Mr. Cheney had arrived in Salalah, 1,000 kilometers (620 miles) southwest of here, from the United Arab Emirates (UAE), where he announced that the UAE had agreed to the deployment of U.S. forces on its territory and said C-130 transport planes were already operating from the Gulf emirate of Abu Dhabi.

In the United Arab Emirate of Dubai, a U.S. diplomatic source said that 525 U.S. troops and 16 C-130 Hercules transport planes were already deployed in the UAE's capital of Abu Dhabi.

The UAE was the second Gulf country -- after Saudi Arabia -- to accept the U.S. troop deployment to ward off any Iraqi attack following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Some 20,000 U.S. ground and air units have been deployed in Saudi Arabia so far as part of a multinational force to prevent Iraqi troops in neigboring Kuwait from launching an attack on the kingdom.

Mr. Cheney arrived here as part of a Gulf tour that has already taken him to the UAE, Saudi Arabia and Bahrain for urgent talks with regional leaders on the Gulf crisis.

He was expected to return to the western Saudi city of Jeddah to meet Saudi Defense Minister Prince Sultan bin Abdel Aziz.

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#90232d1760 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 20) - The government and opposition agreed Monday that West German troops could not be sent to the Gulf under the constitution, but planned to pursue talks on an amendment that would allow such action.

"The unanimous opinion is that it is not possible" under West Germany's post-war constitution, Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher told journalists after a meeting between the government and opposition.

However ruling and opposition parties would continue studying how the constitution could be amended so West German troops could join the multi-national force in the region, he said.

Social Democratic Party (SPD) leader Oskar Lafontaine, Chancellor Helmut Kohl's rival in the December elections, said the problem should be studied "quietly", with no "short-term" decisions.

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#90232d1910 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 20) - Indian troops on Monday repulsed a Pakistani heavy artillery attack on the Kashmir border and inflicted casualties on the Pakistani side, the Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency said.

Earlier, an official statement here said Pakistani artillerymen fired high explosive and incendiary shells against Indian posts in the Kupwara sector of the border with some falling 500 meters (yards) inside Indian territory.

It said no casualty reports were immediately available.

PTI quoted defence sources as saying late Monday that the "attackers" suffered casualties, but did not give an exact figure.

The brief official statement merely said "appropriate defensive measures" had been taken to counter the alleged Pakistani shelling, but did not elaborate what those measures included.

"Exchange of small arms fire across the line of control is a frequent occurrence but the Pakistani forces have used heavy artillery today (Monday)," the statement said.

It said there had been an increase in infiltration in the Kupwara area in recent weeks.

The line of control dividing India and Pakistan in the disputed Kashmir region was set up after the last Indo-Pakistan war in 1971. Pakistan controls the northern third of the region. India controls the rest, although Moslems miltants there are leading a violent campaign for secession.

PTI said the Pakistani troops used Puttaka Gali, Nawan Gali and Safawali Gali routes to attack four Indian posts on the line of control.

The posts attacked were Kanthanwali, Safawali Gali, Nagnwali and Tuttakhan Gali, the defence sources quoted by the agency said.

Fears of a new war over Kashmir have been rife for the past four months because of a sharp deterioration in relations over Kashmir.

New Delhi accuses Islamabad of backing the bloody militant-led separatist uprising. Islamabad denies the allegations.

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#90232d2100 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA, (AUG 20) - Two of Iraq's merchant ships have been "intimidated" in the Gulf by U.S. and French warships, Iraqi Transport Minister Mohamed Hamzah said Monday.

The merchant vessels Al-Bay'a and Al-Abed had been "intercepted" twice, on Friday and Saturday, by the U.S. navy and then by French forces in the Gulf, Mr. Hamzah said, according to the INA news agency monitored here.

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#90232d2110 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING ((AUG. 20) - China opened its first expressway on Monday, a 357 kilometer (221 mile) stretch connecting the cities of Shenyang and Dalian in northeast Liaoning province, the official New China News Agency said.

The cost of building the highway, which took four years to complete, was 2.2 billion yuan (468 million dollars), the agency said.

The route is four lanes wide and has a daily capacity of 50,000 vehicles travelling at between 100 and 120 kilometers per hour.

It reduces the travelling time between Shenyang, a major industrial city, and the port of Dalian from 12 hours to four hours.

Liaoning is also planning to build three other expressways to link Shenyang with Fushun, a petrochemical center and the steel-making city of Benxi, as well as Changchun, the capital of neighboring Jilin province.

China is aiming to modernize its backward infrastructure, including the construction of better roads to prevent chronic transportation bottlnecks and delays in delivery.

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#90232d2280 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) - Returns on short-term U.S. Treasury bills rose at Monday's weekly auction to their highest levels in just over a month.

The Treasury said it auctioned some 9.2 billion dollars' worth of both three- and six-month bills with the shorter-term issued averaging a 7.55 percent discount (compared to 7.41 percent last week) and the six-month bills averaging a 7.45 percent discount (7.31 percent last week).

The returns were the highest since the July 16 auction when three-month bills averaged 7.62 percent and six-month bills averaged 7.52 percent.

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#90232d2370 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (AUG. 20) - Thai and Burmese officials are to seek foreign financial assistance for the joint development of two hydroelectric power plants, the state-run Thai News Agency (TNA) reported on Monday.

Financing for the plants is to be sought from Japan and the Asian Development Bank (ADB), the report said.

TNA quoted Thai National Energy Adminstration secretary general Praphat Premmani as saying that foreign funds would be for a feasibility study of the Sai River hydroelectric power plant in Thailand's northern province of Ranong with an output capacity of 20,000 kilowatthour.

Feasibility studies are expected to be completed by the end of next year, while construction of two power plants along the Thai-Burmese border were scheduled to be completed in 1995.

Praphat said Bangkok and Rangoon have agreed to jointly develop seven power generating projects along their common border with a combined capacity of 7.1 megawatts.

Thai and Burmese officials are scheduled to meet in Rangoon in November to work out details of the joint project.

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#90232d2390 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HONG KONG (AUG. 20) - Hong Kong and France on Monday signed a bilateral air services agreement whose validity stretches beyond 1997, when the British colony reverts to Chinese rule.

Hong Kong Secretary for Economic Services Anson Chan and French Air Transport Services chief Robert Esperou signed the the agreement.

The accord was the fifth of its kind signed by Hong Kong with a foreign country -- after Canada, the Netherlands, Switzerland and Brunei.

Under a 1984 Sino-British pact which returns Hong Kong to China, Beijing allows the territory to draw up its own air services pacts with foreign countries. London has authorized the government here to start doing so.

The validity of such pacts goes beyond the 1997 handover and carries "no time limit," a government aviation spokesman said.

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#90232d2470 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) - Pan American World Airways said Monday it had been forced to cancel some domestic flights and use smaller than usual aircraft on some routes following the call up of civilian aircraft to help the U.S. deployment efforts in the Middle East.

It is the first time that the U.S. military has activated what is known as the Civil Reserve Air Fleet since it was created 38 years ago.

According to the Washington-based specialist newsletter Aviation Daily, aircraft have been enlisted from Northwest Airlines, United Airlines and Continental Airlines as well as Pan Am.

Jeff Kriendler, a Pan Am spokesman, confirmed that his company was among those to have had aircraft enlisted. He said the carrier had been forced to cancel some domestic flights and use smaller aircraft on some routes.

But he insisted the disruption was minimal. He declined to go into further detail, saying military officials had asked the airlines not to divulge details of how many flights or specify what routes had been affected.

Colonel Mike Cox, spokesman for the Military Airlift Command, said 20 or more DC10, DC8, L1011 and Boeing 747 aircrfat were being used each day.

The aircraft are among 38 -- from 16 different airlines -- activated under the first stage of the Civil Reserve Air Fleet.

There are two further stages of activation, both requiring approval by Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney: stage two would enlist 187 civilian aircraft while the third and final stage would enlist all 506 aircraft contracted by their carriers for possible call-up.

Before the first stage of the enlistment was activated, according to industry officials, the Department of Defense tried to meet its deployment needs by chartering aircraft.

Carriers which have their equipment enlisted are paid at rates established under their regular military contracts and include reimbursement for higher insurance costs and for maintaining the aircraft ready for call-up.

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#90232d2620 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (AUG 20) - Black civil rights leader and former presidential hopeful Jesse Jackson is planning to fly to Baghdad and meet with Iraqi officials, one of his associates said Monday.

The associate, who declined to be identified, said Mr. Jackson hoped to be able to obtain the release of U.S. citizens held in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied

Kuwait.

In 1984, Mr. Jackson met with Syrian President Hafez Assad who then released a U.S. Navy pilot, Lieutenant Robert Goodman, who had been taken prisoner by the Syrians after being shot down in the region.

In the same year, Mr. Jackson went to Cuba where he persuaded President Fidel Castro to release two dozen U.S. citizens from Cuban jails.

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#90232d2720 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ANKARA, (AUG 21) - The Turkish Foreign Affairs Ministry late Monday "categorically denied" that U.S. Air Force F-117 Stealth fighter-bombers had arrived in Turkey.

A U.S. source had earlier said that 40 of the planes had landed at an airbase near the border with Iraq where U.S. F-111 bombers were already stationed, but a ministry official contacted by Agence France-Presse denied the report.

The only base that could fit the bill is at Incirlik near the town of Adana, 700 kilometres (435 miles) from the border with Iraq, where 14 F-111s are taking part in what Ankara and Washington have called "routine exercices".

A U.S. military source reached by telephone at Incirlik said Monday: "We have no Stealth. We do not expect any of them."

Stealth planes are designed to be virtually undetectable by radar.

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#90232d2790 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TRIPOLI, (AUG 21) - Libya's leader Colonel Moamer Kadhafi Monday threatened to pull Libya out of the United Nations unless the U.N. Security Council condemned the United States for violating the U.N. Charter by its military deployment in the Gulf.

The Libyan leader told a press conference here that the Security Council "must adopt a resolution declaring null and void the decision of the United States and its allies to resort to force to apply Security Council Resolution 661", which approved an trade, financial and arms embargo on Iraq and Kuwait following Iraq's August 2 invasion of the emirate.

"If the U.N. is incapable of keeping world peace, then there is no reason to remain a member of it," Colonel Kadhafi said.

He also accused Saudi Arabia of violating the charter of the Arab League by "calling for help from foreign troops", in a reference to the U.S. forces deploying in the kingdom.

Col. Kadhafi said he considered that Riyadh had been "realistic" in calling for foreign troops, but added that he had asked the Arab League summit in Cairo on August 10 to replace "the foreign troops with Arab ones".

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#90232d2800 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS, (AUG 20) - The U.N. Security Council is to meet at 10:00 p.m. Monday (0200 GMT Tuesday) to discuss the crisis in the Gulf, the world body announced.

If agreement is reached on a U.S. proposal, the 15-member council could move into formal session to adopt a resolution, a U.N. diplomat said.

The United States is seeking formal U.N. authority for the use of force to uphold a U.N. embargo of trade with Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

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#90232d7250 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (AUG. 20) - Unemployment, virtually unknown during 40 years of communist rule, has become a new plague for 700,000 Poles and worse is to come, according to Labor ministry experts.

Most people looking for work at the regional job centre here are women and many are in their twenties and thirties.

Some line up for the first time to register and be eligible for unemployment pay but most have seen the centre before, complete with notebooks and pencils.

Danuta, a fiftyish divorcee, whose grown-up daughter is living in West Germany, is a decorator whose company dressed windows of state-run stores but is now facing bankruptcy.

"Businesses are being privatized and the new owners do not need us", she said. "I'm not keen on unemployment payments because they are so humiliating but I will probably have to apply".

Robert, 19, who recently got a diploma in gastronomy, would love to open a restaurant but lacks the money to invest in a business. "My parents don't have it and loans are too expensive", he laments. But he also considers working overseas.

Referring to "people who never had a job, dropouts but also housewives", Anna Kowalska, head of the Warsaw job centre, believes that "more than one third" of the capital's 7,000 registered unemployed people are "petty swindlers".

All take advantage of social legislation that entitles them to a minimum allowance of 230,000 zlotys (24 dollars) a month.

"Forty per cent of the assistance we pay out is in minimum allowances", Mrs. Kowalska says.

However, future applicants must prove that they have worked for three months before pocketing unemployment pay if new legislation is adopted next month. The amendment will not apply to graduates.

Unemployment is relatively scarce among Warsaw workers but Mrs. Kowalska said the situation in the provinces was less bright.

According to the Labour ministry, 5.2 per cent of Poland's 13 million employees are unemployed, or 3.8 per cent of the country's working population of 18 million. Poland's total population stands at 38 million.

The rate has exceeded the 12-per cent mark in some rural areas, especially in the northeast.

In Warsaw unemployment has particularly plagued journalists -- nearly 1,000 --, people with a degree in history and geography, and artists, whereas financial experts and accountants are by far better off.

Jobs in the building industry seem safe, with a few exceptions -- Jacek, 45, a painter who has always been on his own, says competition has become tough and clients rare as the economy went from bad to worse.

He says a pay of 900,000 zlotys (95 dollars), as proposed by a state-run company, was "ridiculous".

Labour ministry experts believe that retraining and relocating goes against many unemployed people's grain but in a bid to boost the number of jobs the ministry has set up make-work schemes for 47,500 people.

According to the ministry, a new phenomenon is due to make headlines in the next months with mass dismissals looming, after more than 8,000 companies said they were planning to axe 326,000 jobs by the end of the year.

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#90232d7270 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 20) - Restaurants, supermarkets, even large department stores

and other businesses are preparing to cash in on what they expect will be a dramatic rise in demand for lunches at a new business quarter here.

The daytime population in Tokyo's Nishiguchi area will jump by 35,000 to 270,000 when the metropolitan government shifts all of its 13,000 main office workers to a mammoth building in the area by next April, officials say.

In addition, at least 22,000 citizens are expected to visit the new building everyday for various reasons as it also houses conference and public halls, a metropolitan government spokesman said.

Currently some 200,000 officials, including those at the main and 23 ward offices, are working for Tokyo's 11.6 million population.

All functions of the main office are to be shifted between October and April to a 243-meter-high (800 feet) skyscraper, now being built in Nishiguchi at a cost of 156.9 billion yen (one billion dollars).

The shift from the century-old Marunouchi business district to Nishiguchi, some seven kilometers (4.3 miles) away, will cost 14 billion yen (90 million dollars), officials said.

Nishiguchi, the westside corner of JR (Japan Railways) Shinjuku Station and formerly the place of large running water purification plants, turned into a major business quarter with swarming high-rise buildings a decade ago.

The station handling the largest number of passengers in Japan is surrounded by busy shopping and entertainment quarters on the other side.

Nearly 700,000 passengers take JR trains at Shinjuku everyday.

Trains operated by two other major companies as well as subway authorities also run in and out from the same area.

People are already forced to form a queue in front of restaurants or box-lunch selling counters at lunchtime in the Nishiguchi area.

"Lunch will be a big problem after the metropolitan government office moves in," a social critic said.

Under the catchword "Target office workers in Nishiguchi," Odakyu Department Store in the area is to double its selling counters for "bento" or box lunches next month.

Its rival Keio Department Store has opened an additional bento corner.

Odakyu expects its bento sales to soar 50 per cent after the shift of the

metropolitan government office completes in April.

Traditional Japanese bento -- made of boiled rice accompanied by fish, meat or vegetables -- is sold at an average 700 yen (4.8 dollars).

"It's a good chance to increase our sales," the owner of Imasa, a bento catering shop chain operator, said, referring to the expected sudden jump in Nishiguchi's population.

Nearly 80 caterers are now providing bentos to workers in 14 skyscrapers in Nishiguchi.

Six dining rooms with a total of 2,300 seats planned in the 48-story new metropolitan government building are not enough even if they are only to serve officials, citizens say.

Officials said the metropolitan government was now considering allowing dealers to sell bentos in its new building.

Many people working in the Nishiguchi area open bentos in their offices or at a nearby park at lunchtime because of a lack of restaurants.

"I feel tired of going out to form a queque at restaurants," an office worker in a Nishiguchi high-rise building said.

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#90232d7340 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 20) - Japan's Takenaka Corporation has been awarded an 80-million Singapore dollar (45-million U.S.) contract to help build a 27-story office building in Singapore, it was announced Monday.

The Straits Steamship Land Limited, a subsidiary of the government-controlled Keppel Corporation Ltd. said Takenaka won the contract amid keen competition from local and foreign contractors.

The contract was for development of the superstructure of the building in a city suburb. The 200-million dollar (112-million U.S.) building is scheduled for completion by early 1992.

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#90232d7360 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 20) - Mitsubishi Oil Co., Ltd. said Monday it would import 190,000 barrels of synthetic gasoline from New Zealand in September following the suspension of gasoline imports from Kuwait.

Mitsubishi officials said the major Japanese oil refiner and distributor

decided to order emergency imports from Petrocorp of New Zealand as planned gasoline imports from Kuwait were made impossible by sanctions leveled against Iraq after its invasion of Kuwait.

Synthetic gasoline derived from natural gas is not widely used because of high manufacturing costs.

But the product is now competitive against ordinary gasoline, whose price here has surged above 40 dollars per barrel, the officials said.

New Zealand-produced gasoline accounts for 10 per cent of Mitsubishi Oil's total monthly gasoline sales.

The price of gasoline in Japan fell to around 25 dollars per barrel in June, but started to rise again in July.

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#90232d7550 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 20) - Saudi Arabia is expected to supply Kuwait's overseas marketing organization with some 450,000 barrels a day of oil a day, the Middle East Economic Survey (MEES) disclosed here Monday.

By terms of an agreement under study, Saudi Arabia would provide Kuwait Petroleum International (KPI) with 150,000 barrels of crude a day in September and 300,000 in October, according to the specialist weekly newsletter.

The Saudis have also agreed to meet KPI's naphtha requirements, while the Kuwait Oil Tanker Company wants Saudi authorities to charter some Kuwaiti tankers, all 30 of which are currently outside Kuwait.

The MEES report said KPI, currently managed from its London office, was "well-placed to conduct business as usual."

The company has some 15 million barrels of oil in tankers, loaded before Iraq's August 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

In addition, eight of the 10 members of KPI's executive board are all safe and operating outside Kuwait, according to MEES.

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#90232d7560 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 20) - Iran is to boost deliveries of crude oil to Asian markets, notably in Japan, to one million barrels a day in the fourth quarter from 400,000 in the third, the Middle East Economic Survey (MEES) reported here Monday.

Most of the increase will be deducted from Iranian shipments destined for European markets, as Iran's capacity to expand output from its present level of three million barrels a day is limited, MEES said.

In addition, the National Iranian Oil Company (NIOC) "has secured substantialially improved price terms for its larger crude volumes to Japanese customers -- with the formulas up 0.60 dollars a barrel on Iranian Light and 1.40 dollars on Iranian Heavy," according to the specialist weekly newsletter.

The NIOC, the report said, has secured an average price hike of one dollar a barrel with Japanese refiners to take effect September 1 and to last until the end of the year.

Iran will boost deliveries to Japan to 760,000 barrels a day in the fourth quarter, up from a planned 230,000 barrels a day in the third quarter.

MEES said that as a result of the current oil embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports, Japanese customers stand to lose 370,000 barrels a day.

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#90232d7630 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 20) - Visiting Maltese Prime Minister Edward Fenech Adami said here Monday his country's economy was being undermined by the Gulf crisis.

During a 15-minute meeting with Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, Adami also said a Kuwaiti loan for an electric power plant, pledged a month before Iraq's military invasion of Kuwait, has been frozen.

The leader of the small Mediterranean island-nation is here on a stopover after an official visit to Australia. Adami urged Japan to invest in Malta as a bridge to the European Community (E.C.) before the E.C. market integration in 1992, said foreign ministry sources.

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#90232d7860 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (AUG. 20) - Finland is to give Namibia 135 million rands (52.4 million dollars) in grants over the next three years, the Namibian Broadcasting Corporation reported Monday.

Finland had promised to support development in education, health, forestry and mining, primarily in northern Namibia.

The country, which has already contributed 24 million rands (9.3 million dollars) to Namibia during the past year, has also pledged about 16 million

rands (6.2 million dollars) to the health and education budgets.

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#90232d8010 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 20) - Iraqi forces in Kuwait have rounded up a further 82 British nationals and taken them to an unknown destination, the British Foreign Office said here Monday.

A spokesman said they had been taken from Kuwait City's Regency Palace Hotel within the past 24 hours and moved, according to information from the British embassy in Kuwait.

"We've informed next of kin," the spokesman said. He could give no further details.

The foreign office confirmed earlier that another 41 British nationals had also been rounded up by Iraqi forces.

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#90232d8030 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LUSAKA (AUG. 20) - The Zambian government Monday increased the price of fuel by 55 percent to cope with changes on the international market caused by the Gulf crisis.

The new price for premium oil was put at 17.5 kwachas (0.54 dollars), per litre, commpared to 11.5 kwachas previously. Regular oil was raised to 14.6 kwachas from 9.82 kwachas per liter, while diesel rates were hike from 6.73 kwachas to 10 kwachas.

It is the first fuel increase in Zambia since March 1989.

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#90232d8170 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABU DHABI (AUG. 20) - U.S. troops are to be deployed in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said here Monday.

Mr. Cheney, quoted by an official travelling in the Gulf with him, did not disclose the number of troops nor the date of their arrival.

The UAE on Sunday announced it would become the second Gulf state after Saudi Arabia to accept the deployment of foreign troops on its territory.

A government spokesman here said the UAE would allow Arab troops and those from "friendly" nations to be stationed in the Emirates as part of international efforts to protect Gulf states against any Iraqi attack.

Some 20,000 U.S. ground and air units are deployed in Saudi Arabia as part of a multinational force to prevent Iraqi troops in neigbouring Iraqi-controlled Kuwait from launching an attack on the kingdom.

Some 5,000 troops from Egypt, Morocco, and Syria have also been dispatched to Saudi Arabia in the aftermath of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Cheney arrived here earlier as part of a Gulf tour that has already taken him to Saudi Arabia and Bahrain for urgent talks with regional leaders on the Gulf crisis.

The official WAM news agency quoted Mr. Cheney as saying Washington was determined to defend its "friends" in the Gulf in the face the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

The U.S. defense secretary is to travel on to Oman before returning to Saudi Arabia later Monday to meet Saudi Defense Minister Prince Sultan bin Abdel Aziz in Jeddah.

Defense ministers in the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) are expected to meet Wednesday in Saudi Arabia to discuss ways of "coordinating" their policies in wake of the Gulf crisis.

The UAE is a member of the GCC, which also groups Saudi Arabia, Oman, Qatar, Bahrain and Kuwait. The six nations are bound by a joint defense pact.

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#90232d8200 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUSCAT (AUG. 20) - Visiting Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama and Omani Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Yousef al-Alawi held talks here Monday on the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The talks, in the resort city of Salalah, also covered bilateral cooperation, the official Oman news agency said.

Nakayama arrived in Oman late Sunday from Saudi Arabia. After Oman, Nakayama's Middle East tour will take him to Jordan, Egypt and Turkey.

The Tokyo foreign minister brought a message from Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu to Oman's Sultan Qabus, the agency said.

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#90232d8230 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (AUG. 20) - A senior PLO official on Monday

called on Iraqi troops to withdraw from Kuwait, saying the occupation was illegal and not in Baghdad's interests.

"It is essential to get the Iraqi forces out of Kuwait. The occupation is illegal. It is in the interests of Iraq and the Arab world for the Iraqi forces to withdraw," PLO executive member Jaweed Al-Ghussein said.

The Palestine Liberation Organisation, which has close ties with Baghdad,

has so far refrained from condemning Iraq's occupation of Kuwait and has attempted unsuccessfully to mediate in the crisis.

Mr. Ghussein, in an interview from his office in Abu Dhabi, also called on foreign forces to pull out of the Gulf, saying the differences between Iraq and Kuwait that prompted the August 2 invasion should be resolved "as soon as possible" by an Arab mission.

"We should avoid clashes and respect each country's borders," he said. "This is not a battlefield. This is a lively and important area for the world. Foreign forces must not stay here to dominate the area."

In a statement issued in Tunis on Sunday, the PLO charged that resentment over its mediation bid had prompted the expulsion of Palestinians from Gulf countries

But Mr. Ghussein, chairman of Palestine National Fund and the PLO's de facto finance minister, said he was "not aware of any Palestinians being expelled."

He also "categorically" denied witness reports that Palestinians were involved in militias helping Iraqi troops police Kuwait city.

Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territoires have staged big demonstrations in support of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein since the crisis began.

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#90232d8270 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 20) - Six French nationals have been forcibly moved from a hotel in Kuwait to an unknown destination, the French Foreign Ministry said Monday.

The transfer brings the number of French citizens scattered by the Iraqi authorities to 33, with 26 from Baghdad and seven from Kuwait which was annexed by Baghdad on August 2.

The six were taken from the hotel Regency early Sunday, according to the

foreign ministry. In London, the Foreign Office said 82 Britons had been moved from the same hotel since Sunday.

A foreign ministry spokesman also denied French media reports that French authorities had deliberately covered up the earlier internment of the 26 French nationals among a group of other foreigners inside Iraq.

Such "speculation" about a "deliberate delay" in making public the fate of French nationals was "totally groundless", the spokesman said.

The foreign ministry only announced on Sunday that French nationals were among groups of foreign internees, while according to their families they were moved on Thursday.

An adviser to Palestine Liberation Organisation chief Yasser Arafat, Bassam Abu Sharif, had said in a radio interview broadcast here Saturday that the PLO had received assurances that the 500 French citizens in Iraq and Kuwait would be "treated as friends".

France was Baghdad's second largest military arms supplier, after Moscow,

until last May, and only on Sunday announced that its ships in the Gulf had been given instructions and resort to force if necessary under a U.N. embargo.

The International Herald Tribune, quoting Arab diplomats, said Monday that France had secretly sought separate treatment for French citizens trapped in Iraq, and had only adopted a tougher stand on Sunday after this policy "appeared to reach a dead end".

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#90232d8390 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 20) - The dry cargo market was unsettled by an easing of rates obtained by grain carriers on trans-Atlantic trips over the past week, following recent rises linked to events in the Gulf, traders said.

The BIFFEX (Baltic International Freight Futures Exchange) index lost six points on the week and finished at 1,226 points.

A 55,000-tonne grain carrier was fixed from the U.S. Gulf to Europe at 11.5 dollarstonne, 50 cents lower than the previous week. As a result, brokers lowered their nominal rate on that route to 11.7 dollars per tonne against 12.3 dollars at the end of the previous week.

This weakness outweighed improvements on the U.S. Gulf to Japan route, where a 52,000-tonne vessel obtained 21.5 dollars per tonne against 20.9 the previous week. The nominal rate for this route rose from 21.092 to 21.5

dollarstonne.

Indian charterers switched to the U.S. Gulf for fixings of fertiliser cargoes, as most of their supplies from the Middle East were cut off by the trade embargo. They fixed a 20,000-tonne vessel from the U.S. Gulf to west coast India at 35.75 dollarstonne, which compares with 40 dollars for the previous comparable fixture at the middle of June.

In the ore sector, a 90,000-tonne vessel obtained 4 dollarstonne on the West AfricaEurope route, against 3.75 dollars at the beginning of June.

In timecharter, a 25,000-30,000 tonner obtained 6,500 dollars per day against 5,600 at the end of July for a South Africa to Europe trip.

Rates also improved for 25,000-40,000 tonne vessels on the Far East to Europe route, with one vessel fixed at 5,750 dollars per day against 5,500 in June.

But a Panamax vessel (50,000 to 70,000 tonnes) on a round voyage between Japan and Australia had to accept 7,750 dollarsday against 8,500 dollars the previous week.

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#90232d8440 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STUTTGART (AUG. 20) - Over 3,400 charges involving the wartime murder of Jews have been laid here against a 78-year-old German man, Josef Schwammberger, who was extradited from Argentina three months ago, prosecution authorities announced Monday.

The former Ss officer is accused of himself ordering the killing of at least 50 Jewish men and women between 1941 and 1944. He was commandant of Mielec forced labour camp near Cracow, Poland.

Another 3,377 accessory-to-murder charges involve killings he organised on orders from higher up in the Nazi chain of command.

Schwamberger's case took so long to come to justice because he fled to Argentina after the war. After a warrant was issued for his arrest in 1972 he fought his extradition through Argentine courts.

It took 17 years for Argentina to agree to detain him and send him to West Germany in May this year.

West German officials said Monday Schwamberger was able to stand up to detention and a trial despite his age. He admits shooting dead one person, but has rejected all the other charges.

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#90232d8490 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (AUG. 20) - Two parliamentary subcommittees were called into session Monday in Bonn to discuss the Gulf situation and a possible deployment of West German forces in the region, a matter of great controversy here.

Since World War Two, West Germany has always avoided sending troops outside the sphere of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato), maintaining that under its constitution, the military forces are defensive in nature.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl, who said last week that West Germany could not refuse to show solidarity, was due to meet later on Monday with the leaders of the Christian Democrat (Cdu) and liberal (Fdp) coalition parties and of the Social Democrat (Spd) opposition.

The liberals and the Social Democrats so far have opposed sending West German troops to the Gulf.

The consultations are in preparation for Tuesday's meeting of foreign and defence ministers of the Western European Union, a nine-member alliance to coordinate European defence policy.

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#90232d8560 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DAR ES SALAAM (AUG. 20) - Tanzania had earned 11.5 billion shillings (59.4 million U.S. dollars) from export of 218,984 bales of cotton by the end of the crop season last June, the Tanzanian Cotton Marketing Board (TCMB) announced here Monday.

The board said that the figure, 51 cent higher than 1988 but 9.3 per cent lower that the 1987 figure, was in addition to the 72,939 bales worth 2.6 billion shillings (13.4 million dollars) sold to local textile mills during the same crop season.

In future, the TCMB plans to process its cotton in an effort to give the crop an added value as the price for raw cotton was unstable in the world market, the board said.

Meanwhile, Tanzania's dried cassava entered the world market for the first time last season when a local cooperative union exported 1.4 million kilogrammes worth 26 million shillings (133,000 dollars) to Britain on a trial basis.

Southern Tanzanian regions of Lindi and Mtwara are the country's leading cassava producers, but lack export markets.

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#90232d8580 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 20) - Malaysia's crude palm oil production rose eight percent to 561,901 tons in July from 519,908 tons in June, figures released by the official Statistics Department showed Monday.

The department said cumulative production for the first seven months this year showed an increase of 13 percent to 3.5 million tons compared with 2.97 million tons in the same period of last year.

It said that total palm oil stocks stood at 835,370 tons at the end of July, up 0.55 percent from 830,802 tons a month earlier.

The department said crude palm oil stocks rose marginally to 513,723 tons at the end of July from 511,334 tons at the end of June while processed palm oil stocks rose to 321,647 tons from 319,468 tons during the same period.

It said that a 15 percent drop was registered in processed palm oil exports to 480,893 tons in June while cumulative exports for the first six months showed an increase of 18 percent to 2.84 million tons compared to the same period of last year.

Pakistan was the largest importer of processed palm oil, taking 409,385 tons, followed by Singapore (372,107 tons), China (292,214 tons), India (255,291 tons), Egypt (147,981 tons), Japan (135,755 tons), Soviet Union (117,428 tons) and Iraq (113,558 tons).

The eight countries accounted for 65 percent of the total exports in the first half of this year.

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#90232d8610 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 20) - French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas will pay a working visit to the Soviet Union next Saturday and Sunday, Tass news agency reported here.

The visit will follow a meeting in Paris on Tuesday of foreign ministers from the European Community to discuss the situation of foreigners held by Iraq, observers here noted.

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#90232d8630 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
(AUG. 20) UPI - The GATT-sponsored talks seek to provide guidelines for 25 areas of international trade ranging from services and investment to

textiles and tropical goods. Agriculture, however, is widely acknowledged as the most difficult area.

Mr. Yeutter, while deploring the lack of access to the Japanese rice market,
 reserved his strongest criticism for the European Economic Community.

The community's "stratospheric" export subsidies are the "most onerous practice" and the biggest obtacle to reforming international trade in agriculture, he said.

The visiting secretary predicted that liberalising rice markets would boost investment opportunities in the same way as the recent liberalisation of beef had led to Japanese buying cattle farms in the United States and Australia.

"There will be chances for Japanese farmers to do something similar," he said. "Whether it's in the United States or Thailand remains to be seen."

He noted, however, that rice-producing land in the United States was cheaper than in Thailand, the world's biggest rice exporter.

"Operations in Thailand will have to be altered," he said. "It will face very severe challenges a few years from now from countries such as Vietnam " he said.

Mr. Yeutter's visit to Japan follows a tour of Malaysia, Thailand and Hong Kong.

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#90232d8670 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (AUG. 20) - Labor Minister Peter Okondo resigned from the Kenya government on Monday after the death in a car crash of a dissident bishop who said the minister had threatened his life.

Anglican bishop Alexander Muge, an outspoken critic of the government, said last week that Mr. Okondo had told a meeting in his Busia constituency in western Kenya that if the bishop went there, he "may not leave alive".

Bishop Muge went to Busia and was killed the next day on the way back to his Eldoret diocese in a head-on collision with a lorry.

The police said it was a straightforward accident, but the government has ordered an inquest.

The official Kenya News Agency said Mr. Okondo had resigned "after consideration and appropriate consultations regarding words I am reported

to have uttered at Busia".

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#90232d8680 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 20) - President Corazon Aquino Monday blamed the spate of bombings in Manila on ''terrorists'' but said she would neither declare an emergency nor seek more powers from congress.

Bomb threats continued to sweep the Philippine capital as the armed forces repeatedly assured the nation that renegade soldiers led by cashiered army colonel Gregorio ''Gringo'' Honasan were incapable of mounting another power grab.

Meanwhile, three unidentified men gunned down the mayor of a northern town inside his rented apartment in Manila's Santa Cruz district, hours after a security aide of a suburban city official was also shot to death.

Security at the palace and at major army camps was tightened amid fresh coup jitters and the bombings of eight government buildings and private establishments the military has blamed on the rebel soldiers.

''As of now there is no necessity for doing so,'' said Aquino when asked if she was prepared to declare a state of emergency or seek emergency powers from congress.

''We will just study very closely the developments as they come,'' she said,
appealing to the nation to condemn ''terrorist acts''.

Honasan has warned that his Revolutionary Alliance of the Masses (Ram) would attack government targets following the massive military operations launched against a Ram stronghold in northern Mindanao.

Authorities denied press accounts that 15 soldiers had been killed and 34 wounded in fierce encounters with rebel troops under dismissed colonel Alexander Noble who is holed up in Agusan province.

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#90232d8700 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 20) - At least 43 people plunged to their death Monday when a bus carrying pilgrims to a holy site on the Ganges hurtled off a bridge into a riverbed in Uttar Pradesh state, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported.

PTI said the private bus, carrying 70 Hindu pilgrims from Rajasthan state, crashed through the railings of a bridge into the Kali river between

Kasganj and Rajvai near Kanpur city.

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#90232d8710 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (AUG. 20) - Detectives have seized heroin worth 34 million dollars in one of year's biggest hauls and are hunting for a drug kingpin believed to be linked with India's cinema industry, a newspaper said Monday.

The Statesman daily said federal anti-narcotics agents seized 60 kilograms (132 pounds) of refined heroin from central Rajasthan state's city of Jodhpur and arrested four people in connection with the haul.

The seizure was made Saturday, the officials said.

It was not known whether the contraband, found buried under stones, was scheduled for clandestine export abroad, but the newspaper said detectives were searching for the gang leader believed to be linked to the prosperous film industry in Bombay, the hub of Indian cinema.

Indian drug enforcement officials say the transit route has shifted from India to the Balkan states, from where drug supplies are shipped to North America and Europe.

This year's largest drug haul of 400 kilograms (880 pounds) worth 242 million dollars was made February 9 in Bombay --- which has an estimated 100,000 drug addicts.

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#90232d8810 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FRANKFURT (AUG. 20) - West German prosecutors said Monday they were getting no cooperation from six men arrested last week in connection with shipments of parts for a chemical arms plant in Iraq.

A spokesman said the employees are ''strongly suspected'' of having delivered construction elements for a factory near Asmara, Iraq, in contravention of West German foreign trade regulations.

He said some refused to answer questions while others denied the charges. Initial reports that seven employees had been arrested were not true. Five men were still under arrest while a sixth was temporarily freed for health reasons.

The suspects are employees of the W.E.T. firm in Hamburg and the now-defunct Pilot Plant company near Frankfurt. Three of the men were formerly employed by the Preussag company in Hanover. Preussag has said it

dismissed them in 1985 when their participation in establishing the W.E.T. company became known.

Prosecuting authorities in Darmstadt near here, who are conducting the investigation, said a Swiss chemical expert, Werner Richarz, had testified that the factory in Asmara shows ''construction details characteristic for producing and portioning out the chemical battle agents Lost and Tabun.''

According to Richarz, the nozzles of the distribution system had exactly the right diameter to fill gas grenades with deadly chemicals.

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#90232d8840 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (AUG, 20) - The Finnish government announced Monday that it will extradite a Soviet hijacker who forced an Aeroflot airliner to fly to Finland on June 24.

Justice minister Tarja Halonen told a press conference here that 20-year-old Mikhail Vorfolomeyev would be sent back to the Soviet Union on condition that he would only face trial on hijacking charges.

Vorfolomeyev, who said he was forced to undergo psychiatric treatment in the Soviet Union because he did not want to be drafted into the army, requested political asylum in Finland but was turned down.

The Soviet hijacker was classified in his military passport as being mentally ill but a team of Finnish doctors who interviewed Vorfolomeyev said he was in good health.

Vorfolomeyev is the second Soviet hijacker to be extradited by Finland inside a month. On July 24 the government decided to return 20-year-old Oleg Kozlov who hijacked a Soviet plane to Helsinki on June 19.

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#90232d8890 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (AUG. 20) - A 44th child Sunday joined the household of a farmer of modest means in eastern Turkey, press reports said Monday.

Newspapers identified the proud father as Sirin Yavuz, 43, a tobacco grower in the eastern province of Mus who reportedly has four wives.

The newcomer has reportedly become the 12th child born by Gulsum Daglar, the 44-year-old second wife.

Hasibe Yavuz, 43, the first and legal wife, still holds the record of 13 children by the enterprising father.

Melek Yilmaz, 38, lined up third with 11 children and Hatice Golbasi, the youngest wife at 36, trailed with only eight.

Yavuz told reporters only eight of his offspring could attend school while the rest helped him in the tobacco fields.

He put the blame on his wives, saying they ''broke their promise'' about practicing birth control.

But he added: ''As long as they don't care about having more babies, I don't mind fathering them.''

Although he would not call himself a man of means, he said the family ''was not hungry either''. But he expressed gratitude to the provincial governor who, he said, had promised him financial help to repair the roof of his house.

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#90232d8900 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 20) - The Singapore rubber market saw mixed trading on Monday with prices of the RSS improving slightly.

Local rubber dealers were continuing to monitor developments in the Iraq-Kuwait conflict when the local market opened in the morning and were still unwilling to commit themselves to fresh positions.

The paper RSS basis September was quoted at 158.00 Singapore cents (88.3 U.S. cents) per kilo per buyer at the opening, and in very quiet thin trading, the prices of nearby months advanced on short covering.

The TSR Award market, however, was quiet with a slightly better undertone mainly because sellers were reluctant to make firm orders.

Activity in the noon session was brisk with participation of both local and European traders, which moved prices of the nearby months for the RSS higher.

The RSS basis September climbed to a high of 161.25 Singapore cents (90.1 U.S. cents) per kilo per buyer, some 3.25 Singapore cents higher than its opening price.

The TSR Award market inched up a cent against the RSS with little business done.

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#90232d8940 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 20) - The Norwegian ambassador to Iraq, Harold Lone, arrived here Monday aboard a special Iraqi airliner and was immediately flown home after suffering a heart attack in Baghdad, Norway's consul in Amman said.

George Khouri told Agence France-Press that Mr. Lone was repatriated aboard a Lufthansa flight that was expected to make a stop in Frankfurt before reaching Oslo.

"The Norwegian ambassador was initially hospitalised in Baghdad," Mr. Khouri said, adding that he was able to leave for further treatment in Norway after his condition became stable.

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#90232d8960 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (AUG. 20) - Another contingent of 1,000 Iranian prisoners of war returned home Monday from Iraq as 2,000 Iraqi POWs were handed over to representatives of the International Red Cross for their repatriation, official Teheran Radio reported.

Some 8,000 POWs from the Gulf war have been repatriated since Friday, two days after an Iraqi announcement that it would withdraw soldiers from Iranian territory, release prisoners and accept a disputed accord to share sovereignty with Teheran over the strategic Shatt al-Arab waterway.

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#90232d8970 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 20) - Less than 800 Armenian men responded to a draft call issued this spring, reflecting a prevalent tendency in Georgia and the Baltic republics, according to Soviet Defense Minister Dmitri Iazov.

In an article in the army daily Red Star, Marshal Iazov said that "the spring call-up practically failed in Armenia (7.5 per cent responding) and Georgia (28 per cent)."

The draft, which is obligatory for Soviet youths at the age of 19, also ran into difficulty in Lithuania (40.7 percent), Estonia (42.1 per cent) and Lithuania (55.3 per cent), according to the article.

Military service in the Soviet Union lasts two years in the army and air force, and three years in the navy.

Meanwhile, two young Soviet conscripts who deserted an army base in the Ukraine with a large number of weapons were killed in a gunbattle by one of the patrols assigned to capture them, Pravda said Monday.

The two deserters, both 20 years old, tied up an officer and wounded an aide de camp with a bayonette during their escape.

They took with them a light machine gun, three Kalashnikov assault rifles, 15 pistols, 20 grenades and ammunition, according to Pravda.

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#90232d9070 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 20) - The Philippine government defended Monday its proposed tariff reduction scheme in the face of calls by business groups and Congress for continued protection against imports.

The National Economic Development Authority (NEDA) said an import liberalization program begun in 1986 had helped Philippine industry, and the proposed tariff reform scheme would boost its benefits further.

The statement came amid clamor by Congress and business groups for the suspension of an order signed by President Corazon Aquino in July to lower and simplify tariffs, with September 1 as the target date of implementation.

Presidential spokesman Adolf Azcuna said Monday that it was up to Congress, not the president, to pass a law postponing the effective date of the tariff reform order.

NEDA disputed statements that import liberalization and tariff reform would harm the economy, saying it would instead force industries to lower prices and be more competitive.

"It is not import liberalization in the ordinary sense, but more properly a cost reduction program or, better yet, an efficiency-enhancement program," the NEDA said.

It added that the tariff reform would benefit industries, "as they will enjoy lower rates of duty for capital equipment, replacement parts and... raw materials."

NEDA admitted however that lowering tariffs may harm long-protected industries, cause a further rise in the trade deficit and even increase unemployment in the short term. But in the long run, it would result in "sustainable growth and development" as Philippine industries became more

efficient, the agency said.

NEDA also dismissed reports that import liberalization resulted in a flood of consumer goods, saying figures showed that the bulk of imported goods consisted of raw materials, capital goods and mineral fuels.

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#90232d9080 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 20) - France has joined the United States, Britain and Belgium in rejecting the conditions outlined Sunday by Iraq for the release of foreigners held in Irak, a foreign ministry spokesman said Monday.

The proposals made by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein "do not respond to the conditions laid out by the United Nations Security Council, which are the immediate and unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait," the spokesman said.

"Iraq's obligations with regards to foreign citizens are defined by international law," he added.

On Sunday, Mr. Hussein proposed freeing foreigners held in Iraq and Kuwait in exchange for the retreat of U.S. forces from Saudi Arabia and the lifting of the embargo imposed by the United Nations.

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#90232d9120 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEL AVIV (AUG. 20) - Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy exposed deep differences in the government Monday calling for the immediate distribution to the general population of gas masks and protective equipment against chemical warfare.

Defence Minister Moshe Arens and senior army officials dismissed Levy's call, arguing that despite Iraqi threats of chemical warfare there was no need to distribute the equipment and publishing an announcement that ''nothing has happened to alter that decision''.

Political sources said Levy was not the only minister to support the distrubution of the equipment - opposed by the defence establishment on the grounds that it would increase panic, cause damage to the equipment and could be interpreted by Iraq as a preparatory move for an Israeli pre-emptive strike.

Defence officials reitreated Sunday that gas masks and chemical warfare equipment for Israel's 4.5 million citizens were stored in regional depots and could be distributed within 24 hours, a claim rejected by Levy as ''unrealistic''.

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SYDNEY (AUG. 20) - Two women have developed full-blown AIDS eight years after receiving sperm from an infected artificial insemination donor, doctors said Monday.

Graeme Stewart, from Westmead Hospital, said four women tested positive for Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), which causes the fatal disease, in 1985 after receiving sperm from a man unaware he had Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.

He was unsure whether the two remaining HIV-positive women would develop full-blown AIDS, which robs the body of its ability to fight infection.

"All that we know is that about 50 per cent (of HIV-positive people) develop full-blown AIDS."

Another four women had received sperm from the man but had not tested positive for HIV, he said.

None of the eight women had given birth following the artificial insemination.

Sperm banks around Australia were closed for five months in 1984 after the National AIDS Advisory Committee became aware of the risk of infection and were only allowed to reopen five months later after introducing strict screening procedures.

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BAGHDAD (AUG. 20) - Iraq renewed Monday its warning to all diplomatic missions in Kuwait to close down by August 24, saying that from the following day diplomats would be dealt with as normal foreign citizens.

The announcement by the Iraqi foreign ministry, carried over Baghdad radio,

recalled a similar statement of August 9, to which several Western countries have since replied they will not close their embassies in Kuwait.

The Iraqi occupying forces Monday picked up 82 Britons from the Kuwait Regency Hotel. According to foreign ministry officials in London, the Iraqis also hold 14 Britons from the Kuwait International Hotel and about 27 picked up at roadblocks.

British diplomats in Kuwait and Baghdad were trying to get in touch with

those held, but it appeared that the whereabouts of some of them were not known.

The Iraqis are now believed to hold a total of 123 British nationals, in addition to 66 military personnel seized when Iraqi forces marched into Kuwait, according to a report by Bbc radio.

The foreign ministry continued to advise Britons to ignore the Iraqi order to gather at hotels in Kuwait and told them again to ''keep a low profile''.

The French foreign ministry disclosed that the Iraqis seized another six Frenchmen in Kuwait, bringing the total held in Kuwait to seven and in Baghdad to 26.

Some 35 U.S. citizens were reported to have sought refuge in the U.S. mission in Baghdad. It was not immediately clear why they and not others were given shelter.

Like the Britons, other Western nationals in Kuwait were told by their governments or embassies that it was best to stay at home.

The Dutch foreign ministry said it was unable to tell whether its 84 nationals in Kuwait have also been ordered to assemble at hotels.

Italy said about 350 Italians in Iraq and 150 in Kuwait are still in hotels or residences and none so far had been rounded up to be taken to strategic points.

The Spanish government said 184 of its citizens were in Kuwait but they were believed to be in a ''less exposed position'' than other foreigners.

The foreign ministers of the European Community (E.C.) countries were scheduled to meet in Paris on Tuesday to discuss the fate of the foreigners,

following a meeting of the nine-member Western European Union which coordinates European defence policy.

Meanwhile, another 122 Soviet citizens including 78 military advisers plus wives and children have been allowed by the Iraqi authorities to leave for Jordan. Some 224 Soviet oil workers have already been flown home.

Czechoslovak authorities in Prague said 98 Czechoslovak nationals arrived Monday in Baghdad and would be allowed to go home via Amman.

Thousands of foreign workers from Arab and Asian countries continue to pour into Saudi Arabia and Jordan from Iraq. Reports said that more than

100,000 had left Iraq since the outbreak of the crisis.

Jordan was said to have been unsuccessful in trying to have Iraq limit the daily number of people crossing the border to 5,000.

In Moscow, a foreign ministry spokesman said that Iraq's deputy premier, Saadun Hammadi, who arrived Monday for a previously unannounced visit, would be discussing the evacuation of Soviet citizens from Iraq. He gave the number of Soviet citizens in Iraq as 9,000.

He said the Soviets would stress to Hammadi that U.N. Security Council resolution No. 660 calling on Iraq to withdraw its forces from Kuwait must be fulfilled.

A special Soviet envoy to the Middle East, Mikhail Setenko, arrived in Yemen Monday after meeting Syrian President Hafez Assad and visiting Egypt. He would also go to Jordan, Iraq and other Arab countries, the spokesman said.

France virtually rejected Monday the proposal which Iraqi President Saddam Hussein issued Sunday to release the foreigners in exchange for an American withdrawal from the Gulf.

A foreign ministry spokesman said Saddam ''did not reply to the question at hand'', namely the international demand that Iraq should immediately pull out of Kuwait.

He said the detention of foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait violated the Geneva agreement on the treatment of civilians. The total number of Frenchmen abducted in Iraq and Kuwait was given as 33 In Cairo, Egyptian Minister of Transport Suleiman Mitawalli said on Monday alone about 11,100 Egyptian workers from Iraq and Kuwait left for home through the Jordanian port of Aqaba.

He said the refugees and more than 300 automobiles had arrived by ferry in Nuweiba on the Sinai Peninsula. It was the highest number of refugees on a single day to date.

Meanwhile, another 36,000 Egyptian workers from Iraq and Kuwait arrived in Jordan, many in their own cars, according to the Egyptian news agency Mena.

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#90232d9170 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 20) - The European Economic Community (EEC) on Monday appealed for an end to the "pointless bloodbath" of violence between Zulus and the African National Congress (ANC) in South Africa.

"At a time when the bases have finally been laid for the start to negotiations on the new constitution, the violence not only has claimed a large number of victims but inevitably hinders the efforts of all those working towards the creation of a non-racial democracy in South Africa," a statement said.

The 12 called for an end "to this pointless bloodbath" and said they "expect" the South African authorities to act impartially to end the violence and institute dialogue between the warring groups.

The fighting has left 337 people dead in two townships in the past week, according to a toll issued Monday.

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LONDON (AUG. 20) - A diplomatic solution could still be found to the Gulf crisis but further steps may be needed to deter Iraqi aggression in the region, British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said here Monday.

Asked if he believed armed conflict was now the inevitable next step in the swiftly-evolving crisis, Mr. Hurd answered "no."

But he described the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the continuing detainment of foreign nationals in Kuwait and Iraq as "illegal and repulsive" and said "we,

along with the Americans and others, have never ruled out further measures if sanctions against Iraq do not work."

Speaking at a news conference, Mr. Hurd said the United Nations Security Council was holding "constant discussions" in New York and said it would be "considerably advantageous" if the Council approved a resolution outlining specific military steps that could be taken to enforce Baghdad's isolation.

Mr. Hurd, speaking hours after Baghdad issued an ultimatum -- Friday -- for the transferral of diplomatic representations in Kuwait to Iraq, said Britain would keep diplomats in Kuwait for as long as possible.

"Our view is that we should try to keep British officials in Kuwait" to aid the British community there, he said, adding that the Iraqi ambassador to London was "constantly being called in" to the foreign office and told of Britain's objection to Baghdad's behavior.

He reiterated the official purposes for the deployment of British forces in the Gulf, saying they had been sent to deter an Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia and to enforce the trade embargo against Iraq already approved by the United Nations.

"I believe myself that we lived through a dangerous few days" immediately following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 3, during which a second invasion of Saudi Arabia could have taken place, he said.

"We may have moved partly out of that moment of immediate danger," Mr. Hurd added.

He said Britain had "no precise information" on the wherabouts of British nationals who have been rounded up by Iraqi forces and a foreign office spokesman said later that information on numbers and locations of British nationals was now "too sensitive" to be disclosed.

Mr. Hurd said he had also been in consultation with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher on the situation in the Gulf and said no decisions had yet been taken on whether to recall parliament, which has broken for summer recess.

Earlier Monday, the foreign office said that Iraqi forces had rounded up a further 82 British nationals in Kuwait and taken them to an undisclosed destination.

They had been taken from the Kuwait City's Regency Palace Hotel within the past 24 hours and moved to another location, a spokesman said.

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#90232d9300 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 20) - East Germany's junior economy minister, Stefan Koerber, asked on Monday for EEC finance to help modernize his country's ailing steel industry, reliable sources said.

The European Economic Community's executive said Koerber submitted a restructuring plan as part of the program to integrate the East German economy into the EEC when the two Germanys unite.

East German steel plants have been placed in the hands of a trustee agency, the Treuhandanstalt, tasked with privatizing the country's state-owned enterprises.

Suffering from outmoded equipment and dogged by pollution problems, the industry employs between 67,000 and 80,000 persons, many of whom face redundancy.

According to figures received by the Commission, which are considered far from reliable, of East Germany's total steel output last year of 7.31 million tons, only 42 percent was produced via the efficient method of continuous casting, compared with 85 percent in the Community.

East Germany will be entitled to EEC funds to help modernize its industry and soften the social impact of restructuring before unification, which will take place after elections in East and West Germany on Dec. 2.

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LONDON (AUG. 20) - New bank loans in Britain in July amounted to 3.9 billion pounds (about 7.4 billion dollars) on the widest definition, against 6.9 billion pounds in June, the Bank of England announced Monday.

The announcement was made on the basis of seasonally-corrected provisional figures.

Analysts had expected a figure of 5.3 billion pounds.

The money supply in its narrowest definition, M0 (coins and banknotes), dipped by 0.5 percent in July on the basis of seasonally-corrected provisional figures. That result is in line with analysts' expectations.

The M0 money supply is up by a bit more than 5.5 percent in a year, against a year-on-year rise of 6.5 percent in June, thus moving growth closer to the government target range of one to five percent a year.

In its widest definition, M4, which includes building societies, was unchanged in July from June, although analysts had expected a 0.5 percent increase. Its annual growth rate is down to 16.3 percent, against 16.8 in June.

The Committee of London and Scottish Bankers confirmed the trend to moderate credit expansion. In figures issued Monday, it said bank advances to the private sector were stable in July by comparison with June at 2.6 billion pounds, corrected for seasonal variations.

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#90232d9400 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 20) - British oil company British Petroleum announced Monday that it has put all of its exploration and production business in The Netherlands up for sale.

BP Nederland B.V. wants to sell its BP Exploratie B.V. subsidiary, which has dominantly natural gas interests in 23 offshore blocks with a total area of 1,670 square kilometers (about 650 square miles) and two land zones covering 1,374 square kilometers (about 535 square miles).

This is a "very small operation for the size of BP", said oil analyst Mark Dixon at UBS Phillips and Drew, who estimated the sale price at 50 million

pounds (96 million dollars).

BP Exploration Managing Director John Browne said "The proposed sale is in line with . . . our future strategic direction, which involves greater concentration on our core producing assets and frontier exploration".

Early this year, BP sold fields of minor importance in the North Sea, Indonesia and Colombia to U.S. oil firm Oryx for 1.3 billion dollars, and some other interests to Elf for 25 million pounds.

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#90232d9410 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 20) - Nigerian Minister of Agriculture and Natural Resources Samaila Mamman resigned on Monday, presidential spokesman Chief Duro Onabule announced.

In his letter of resignation, which has been accepted by President Ibrahim Babangida, Mr. Mamman said he was resigning to enable him to engage in "full-time" partisan politics, Chief Onabule said in a statement.

Mr. Mamman, 45, served as minister of trade between September 1986 and February last year when he was named to the ministry of agriculture.

No replacement for Mr. Mamman was named. General Babangida is expected to announce a cabinet reshuffle within the next few days, official sources said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) - The United States and Britain were spearheading efforts Monday for a meeting of the United Nations Security Council to discuss U.N. enforcement of the international trade embargo against Iraq, diplomatic sources said.

The council's five permanent members - the United States, the Soviet Union,

China, France and Britain - held informal talks Sunday on whether a U.N. military committee can play a role in putting the U.N. flag over a multinational naval force to enforce the sanctions.

The council has unanimously demanded a withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and has imposed tough economic sanctions against Iraqi, declaring its annexation of Kuwait ''null and void''.

But Washington has in the past few days come under criticism from many U.N. members for its interdiction of Iraqi ships.

Meanwhile in the Gulf, American warships were shadowing two Iraqi tankers that defied warning shots by U.S. warships on Saturday.

China and the Soviet Union have repeatedly made clear that any military action in the region should be taken only within the framework of the United Nations.

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VIENNA (AUG. 20) - The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries said here Monday there was not majority support from its 13 members to hold a special meeting to deal with Gulf developments.

Saudi Arabia had applied Sunday for an extraordinary OPEC meeting to be convened within the next few days, saying it would wait and see if agreement on higher production levels could be reached.

However, if such a conference did not take place, Riyadh would go it alone in order to reduce the effects of the Gulf crisis on oil prices, Oil minister Hisham Nazer said on U.S. television.

Riyadh has made plain it is willing to step up oil production in order to compensate for a shortfall caused by embargoed Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil without awaiting approval from fellow OPEC members.

Riyadh could raise daily production by an extra two million barrels within a matter of days. Saudi Arabia has so far adhered to the 5.38 million bd (159 litres) agreed to under an OPEC agreement.

A radio Riyadh broadcast on Sunday said Saudi Arabi did not want to put OPEC under pressure by going it alone. Hisham Nazer had ''in no way threatened'' the oil cartel but stressed the urgency of holding an emergency OPEC session.

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#90232d9480 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 20) - Some 35,000 Egyptians who fled Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait following the Iraqi invasion of the emirate are in Jordan waiting to be sent home, Jordanian Interior Minister Salem Massa'adeh said Monday.

Mr. Massa'adeh said most of the Egyptians had left without any belongings and were being put up in four locations in Jordan until transportion was found to send them to Egypt.

Cairo has proposed to set up an airlift between Jordan and Egypt and open a

direct sea route between the Red Sea port of Aqaba south of Amman and the Suez Canal to facilitate the return of its nationals.

Thirty-three out of 50 expected buses have been sent from Egypt to take expatriates entering Jordan at the Roweished border post to Aqaba, some 600 kilometers (372 miles) away.

A million Egyptian workers were in Iraq before the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait while some 200,000 Egyptians lived in the Gulf emirate.

Their return home will deal a harsh blow to Egypt's economy which largely depended on remittances from abroad and tourism.

Some 10,000 expatriates, most of them Arabs, have trekked across the desert from Iraq and entered Jordan at the Roweished border post each day for the past week.

The Norwegian ambassador to Iraq, Harold Lone, was among more than 25 foreigners who arrived Monday in Jordan by plane from Iraq, the Norwegian consulate and here said.

Mr. Lone had suffered a heart attack in Baghdad and was on his way home for treatment after his condition became more stable, the consulate said.

Fourteen Indians, seven French nationals, three Poles, a Yugoslav, several Lebanese and nationals from the United Arab Emirates (UAE) were also aboard the Iraqi plane that arrived here.

Reports from Lausanne, Switzerland, indicated meanwhile that 40 Westerners were expected to leave Iraq and arrive in Jordan Tuesday aboard chartered buses that service the Swiss carrier Swissair.

Swiss ambassador to Jordan Dino Schauli told Swiss radio in Amman the group would include 15 Swiss nationals, Austrians, Swedes, Finns and Portuguese.

Iraq's parliamentary speaker Saadi Mehdi Saleh announced Sunday that some nationals from those countries would be free to leave Iraq because their governments had not joined a multinational troop buildup in the Gulf.

He added that another group would be released depending on their government's attitude to U.N. trade sanctions against Iraq.

Elsewhere, a second group of 5,000 Iranians residing in Kuwait arrived in Iran on Monday from the southwestern border town of Shalamjah, after having transited through southern Iraq, Teheran radio reported.

Five thousand other Iranians had made the same trek on Sunday.

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#90232d9530 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (AUG. 20) - President Corazon Aquino said Monday her elite security force was conducting exercises to thwart any new coup attempt amid a wave of mysterious bombings and shootings in the Philippine capital.

"It is always better to be prepared than to be sorry later on," Mrs. Aquino told a news conference here.

She admitted that the Presidential Security Group (PSG) was conducting such exercises around the Malacanang presidential palace.

Mrs. Aquino said preparation had "paid off" during 1987 and 1989 coup attempts when renegade units attacked the palace but were repulsed by the PSG.

The armed forces have been on full alert since Friday amid rumors of a fresh plot against Mrs. Aquino, who has survived six coup attempts in four years.

The rumors followed a wave of bombings that began last week and calls from fugitive rebel leader Gregorio Honasan, a dismissed army colonel idolized by many soldiers, for a resumption of "tactical operations" by his forces.

Among those damaged by the explosions last week were the trade department and a school building near the presidential palace.

Over the weekend four bombs exploded outside the Justice Department building, a police precinct, a shopping center and an office building, where a security guard was slightly wounded.

Renegade soldiers were widely believed to have been behind the bombings.

The attacks followed a government campaign against mutineers in the southern island of Mindanao, led by former PSG deputy chief Colonel Alexander Noble, a leader of December's bloody coup attempt.

"What we are up against are terrorists," Mrs. Aquino said Monday. "I would like to make an appeal that, for us who believe in democracy, and who believe in peace processes, to condemn these terroristic acts."

She said military officials have told her the renegade troops "do not have any capability" to mount a coup of the scope launched in December last year,

when she had to call in U.S. warplanes to provide cover for loyal troops.

Meanwhile, unidentified men in a car fired shots at a suburban police station before dawn here Monday, wounding a bystander, police said.

Investigators said the assailants sped off after firing at the police station with an M-14 rifle but refused to name any suspects.

In the news conference, Mrs. Aquino said she wanted to go ahead with a second state visit to Japan later this year but hinted that coup threats and other domestic problems could force her to stay home.

The Aquino government has recently been troubled by effects of the July 16 earthquake, which caused widespread destruction across the country's main island of Luzon.

The Gulf crisis stemming from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait has threatened both the Philippine oil supply and the welfare of thousands of Filipino workers in the Middle East.

Asked if she would attend the coronation of Japanese Emperor Akihito, expected in November, in view of her domestic problems, Mrs. Aquino said "as of now, yes."

"I have already informed the Japanese government that I will be going there. However, I will act according to what I believe is the national interest."

Rebel military officers led by Mr. Honasan tried to seize power when she made her first state visit to Japan in November 1986.

The plot, codenamed "God Save the Queen," would have turned her into a figurehead leader, government officials said.

Loyal officers led by then armed forces chief General Ramos thwarted the plot and Mrs. Aquino sacked defense minister Juan Ponce Enrile after he was linked to the conspiracy.

Mr. Ramos was named defense secretary, and Mr. Enrile has since become an opposition senator.

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LONDON (AUG. 20) - With the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait nearing its third week, the Kuwaiti daily Al-Qabas has transferred its editorial headquarters to London and is operating as a "wartime resistance" newspaper, the editor said here Monday.

"The privileges of peace have stopped and we are now a resistance newspaper

operating in a wartime situation," editor-in-chief Mohammed Alrumaihi said.

"When the invaders came they asked us to continue publishing business as usual. We refused," Mr. Alrumaihi said.

Speaking in a telephone interview with AFP, Mr. Alrumaihi, 49, described how the paper was now publishing a daily five-page edition compiled here by a skeleton staff of five journalists.

He said many of the paper's 150 reporters and editors were still in Kuwait City where the daily was based prior to the Iraqi invasion on August 2 with "some of them in hiding, others taken as hostages."

"We have our own sources inside Kuwait and very good connections for Gulf news," Mr. Alrumaihi said, adding that the paper was no longer "interested" in international news as such but only in the Gulf crisis.

Al-Qabas was using satellite technology to transmit facsimile copies for publication in London, New York, Cairo and at three sites in Saudi Arabia at Jeddah, Riyadh and Dahran.

Mr. Alrumaihi said that some 7,000 copies of the newspaper were being printed daily at the site in Dahran and of those "a good number" were being smuggled into Kuwait.

"A good many of our people are living in Saudi Arabia along the border with Kuwait and are smuggling the newspaper inside," he said, adding that passive resistance to the Iraqi occupation was strong inside Kuwait.

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DHAKA (AUG. 20) - Iraq has said it is ready to release 443 Bangladeshis held captive in Baghdad, a senior official said here Monday.

But Foreign Secretary Abul Ahsan said Dhaka was witholding a decision on their evacuation pending clarification on whether they were being expelled.

Mr. Ahsan told reporters the situation in Iraq was unchanged, but Baghdad has "indicated that our citizens could be allowed to leave if Dhaka arranged their evacuation."

Dhaka had sought clarification on their families, belongings and savings, he said.

The Bangladeshis, who were working in Kuwaiti defence installations, were arrested after Iraqi troops invaded the tiny emirate August 2 and subsequently held captive in Baghdad.

Iraq was still refusing consular services for the captives despite repeated requests, Mr. Ahsan said, but added that he had been assured of their safety.

The foreign secretary said he had no knowledge about citizens employed in Baghdad or Kuwait being prevented from leaving, although the flow has been greatly cut during the last few days.

Some 80,000 Bangladeshis were in Iraq and Kuwait at the time of the invasion.

Nine people in two cars with valid travel documents reached Jordan on Sunday, he said, quoting a senior Bangladeshi diplomat in Amman, where 44 Bangladeshi nationals have taken shelter.

Meanwhile, a Foreign Office spokesman said Monday that the national flag carrier Biman would start evacuating from August 22 more than 6,000 Bangladeshis in Saudi Arabia after fleeing Kuwait.

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HANOI (AUG. 20) - Michio Watanabe, a high-profile member of Japan's ruling party, arrives here Tuesday on a visit aimed at boosting ties with Hanoi and viewed with great interest at home by businesses keen to break into Vietnam's vast market.

Mr. Watanabe, a veteran and highly popular Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) politician, is to fly here from Phnom Penh after meeting leaders of Cambodia's Vietnamese-installed government.

He is scheduled to meet Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach, State Planning Commission Chairman Phan Van Khai and he "probably will see (Communist Party chief) Nguyen Van Linh and (Premier) Do Muoi," a Japanese diplomat here said.

Mr. Watanabe, 67, who has held the finance, international trade and industry, agriculture and welfare portfolios during his political career with the LDP was expected to discuss the Cambodian conflict and ways to enhance bilateral relations between Japan and Vietnam, the senior diplomat said.

The high-profile official is also expected to discuss economic matters, the envoy said, adding that "quite a lot of people, including businessmen, are looking at his visit with interest."

"If it is very successful... his image will be improved," the official

said of Mr. Watanabe, head of an important LDP faction who has been widely tipped in Japan as an eventual party leader and premier.

Cambodia and Vietnam have become topics of major concern in Japanese policy this year among both politicians and businessmen.

Japan has this year taken major steps to mediate the Cambodian conflict, and in June hosted a meeting between Phnom Penh Premier Hun Sen and resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk even though Tokyo has to date supported the three-party opposition movement.

Businessmen will in particular be eyeing the Vietnam leg of the trip which includes a visit Thursday to Ho Chi Minh City where Mr. Watanabe will visit a factory producing high-quality rice with Japanese milling equipment.

Japan is now Vietnam's second largest trading partner after the Soviet Union.

Two-way trade last year was worth just 512 million dollars because of outstanding differences over Cambodia, but trade increased sharply in the first five months of this year.

Japanese industry statistics showed exports up 85 per cent over a year earlier at 13.5 billion yen (90 million dollars), while imports doubled to 29.5 billion yen (196 million dollars).

Vietnamese officials are expected to telling Mr. Watanabe that they wanted economic assistance and to be allowed to join the international economic community, according to Japanese officials.

Japanese businessmen have long yearned for a larger foothold in the vast Vietnamese market with its population of 65 million, observers noted.

But Tokyo has been cautious about expanding economic links for fear of angering the United States, which unlike Japan does not recognise Hanoi and has maintained a trade embargo on Vietnam since 1975.

However, ties between Hanoi and Washington have improved recently and the United States said last month that it would no longer recognise the United Nations seat held by the Cambodian resistance coalition, essentially because it includes the Khmer Rouge who ruled through terror from 1975-79.

There has also been talk of lifting the embargo.

Reports from Japan say firms there see these as encouraging signs with one industrial source noting that Vietnam was "the last remaining Southeast Asian market of the future with abundant natural resources and a cheap

labour force."

Several major Japanese companies, including Mitsui and Mitsubishi Corp. have begun moving in on the market with Vietnamese encouragement.

Deputy Foreign Minister Tran Quang Co said recently "We cannot underestimate the importance of Japan, especially in this region where it has powerful cards to play in the face of competition from other developed countries."

Mr. Watanabe, who visited Vietnam in May, leaves for Thailand on Saturday before visiting Indonesia, the diplomat said.

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KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 20) - Buoyant economic growth fuelled by expanding investments and domestic demand has sharply reduced unemployment, which until recently was the Malaysian government's major worry, officials said Monday.

A government Manpower Department report released Wednesday said the unemployment rate had fallen to less than 6.5 per cent, and warned of a wage spiral unless measures are taken to match demand and supply of workers.

Finance Minister Daim Zainuddin told a meeting of businessmen recently that Malaysia may have reached full employment, which most economists define as a rate of unemployent of three to four per cent.

Mr. Daim said labour shortages had emerged in factories and rubber and palm oil plantations, citing as evidence the large number of newspaper advertisments for workers in industrial zones in Penang, Johore and Kedah states.

Malaysian plantations have drawn tens of thousands of workers, mainly from Indonesia.

Unemployment peaked in 1987 when an estimated 524,800 workers of Malaysia's 6.4 million labour force were out of work after two years of virtually no growth in 1985 and 1986, according to central bank figures.

But three consecutive years of rapid growth in gross domestic product (GDP), averaging 8.5 per cent between 1987 and last year, rapidly expanded employment opportunities, resulting in serious shortages in some industries.

"We are facing a serious shortage, particularly of skilled technicians,

which has resulted in some companies pinching workers off others," said Rama Naidu, assistant personnel manager for the Matsushita Electric Company, which employs some 1,700 workers.

He said many employers had taken to directly recruiting technicians and engineers from schools and colleges.

"Even then we are not sure whether they will show up for work," Mr. Naidu said.

Unemployment was estimated at 8.1 per cent in 1988 and 7.9 per cent last year, when the labour force totalled 6.8 million, according to Manpower Department and central bank figures.

During the last three years, the government operated a clearing house to seek jobs and provide on-the-job training for thousands of university graduates, fearing they might spark social unrest.

Some 4,000 graduates participated in the scheme in 1986, but their numbers steadily fell to about 1,700 at the end of last year, officials said.

While unemployment among univeristy graduates remains high, officials now say the problem is more the result of a mismatch between qualifications and employers' needs, rather than due to any shortage of jobs.

"With the more broad-based expansion of the economy, the demand for professionals has not only increased but has also been more diverse," the Manpower Department report said.

Officials say the government's immediate problem is how to overcome a shortage of skilled workers for a burgeoning manufacturing sector boosted by a flood of investments from Taiwan, Japan, Hong Kong, South Korea and Singapore.

Mr. Daim said that during the first six months of this year, the Malaysian Industrial Development Authority approved investments worth more than 18 billion dollars (6.7 billion U.S.).

The sharp rise in foreign and domestic investments and construction activity is expected to create some 300,000 new jobs this year, slightly more than the number of new entrants into the labour market, officials said.

They said labour shortages were likely to continue because Malaysia's rapid economic growth shows no signs of slowing down -- short of a recession triggered by the Gulf crisis.

The central bank reported recently that GDP expanded by 11 per cent in the

first quarter of this year, while the Malaysian Institute for Economic Research, an independent think-tank, estimated growth during the first two quarters at 10 per cent.

Officials said Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad recently ordered the creation of a high-powered cabinet committee to examine the issue and map plans to train more skilled workers, particularly for industry.

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PARIS (AUG. 20) - French industrial output, excluding building and public works, rose by only 0.44 percent in June from the May level, the National Statistics and Economic Studies Institute (INSEE) said on Monday.

It said the rise was due primarily to the energy sector.

The industrial production index, excluding building and public works and corrected for seasonal variations, stood at 113.1 in June against 112.6 in May, 112.4 in April, 110.8 in March, and 110.1 in February. It was 111.7 in June last year.

The manufacturing output index was down slightly in June at 113.9, against 114.1 in May.

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PARIS (AUG. 20) - The International Energy Agency (IEA) announced here Monday that it was delaying the next meeting of its steering committee from Thursday to August 31.

The meeting is to consider possible actions in the wake of the embargo ordered by the United Nations Security Council on Kuwaiti and Iraqi oil following the August 2 Iraqi takeover of Kuwait, the IEA said.

It said the meeting was being deferred to August 31 to give governments more time to evaluate oil supply prospects and to allow more consultations with the oil industry.

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#90232d9860 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUXEMBOURG (AUG. 20) - As anxiety about oil supplies continued to grip the world spot market, the EEC's lending arm, the European Investment Bank (EIB), announced a 67.83-million-dollar loan on Monday to develop a Norwegian oil field. Output from the field will go entirely to the European Economic Community (EEC) as a condition of the loan, EIB

spokesman Cees Post said.

Norway is not a member of the EEC, but such loans have been made to its oil companies since 1975 to increase the security of energy supplies to the Community, Post explained.

The Veslefrikk field, being developed by Norwegian subsidiaries of West German company Deminex, is located west of Bergen, at a depth of 175 meters (568 feet).

As the field is located outside the Community, the bank needed the special authorization of its board of governors - the EEC finance and economy ministers - to fund the project.

Post said it was "only by coincidence" that the decision occurred amid worries about the world oil supplies. "We looked at this project long before the crisis in the Gulf started," he said.

Veslefrikk is estimated to contain 90.7 million tons (662 million barrels) of oil, of which 32.3 million (235 million barrels) are recoverable, plus a quantity of gas, the spokesman said.

The loan is denominated in Swiss francs, repayable over four years. The loan, to Deminex (Norge) AS and Norske Deminex, is being managed by Westdeutsche Landesbank.

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#90232d9890 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 20) - Egypt increased its oil prices by 2.25 dollars a barrel as of Monday, the fourth rise since the Gulf crisis started on August 2, the Egypt Petroleum Office announced.

The Office said the increases over the three-week period have ranged from 1.25 to three dollars.

The committee responsible for setting Egyptian crude oil prices, which has sat continuously since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2, discussed world oil trends on Monday.

Egypt is not a member of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and sets its prices depending on market developments, but it follows OPEC directives.

Here are the new Egyptian prices (first column), by comparison with the ones announced last Wednesday:

- Gulf Crude 26.80 24.55 dollars

- Suez Crude 26.50 24.25

- Balaim 25.65 23.40

- Ras Badran 24.50 22.25

- Ras Ghareb 24.20 21.95

-30- 1036
#90232d9920 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 20) - Fresh fighting between two rival tribes flared up overnight in the the black township of KwaThema near Springs, 30 kilometres east of here, leaving 21 people dead, police said Monday.

The latest deaths brought to at least 363 the number of people killed in one week of fighting between Xhosas and the Zulus, the country's two biggest black tribes.

Vice President Nelson Mandela of the African National Congress (Anc), the largest opposition movement, and other Anc leaders are Xhosas, while the rival Inkatha movement is a Zulu-based organisation led by Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

The influential newspaper The Star said Mandela was under mounting pressure to hold talks with Buthelezi, leader of the country's seven million Zulus, to end the strife.

But another senior Anc offficial, Walter Sisulu, spoke out against such a meeting, saying it ''would encourage the view that killing forces talks''.

Buthelezi rejected Sisulu's remarks as irresponsible.

In a related development, South African President Frederik de Klerk extended until the end of this year a personal amnesty for 38 Anc, but dropped three prominent Anc members from the list without giving a reason for the move.

The three were Chris Hani, leader of the Anc guerrillas, who is in the nominally independent Transkei, Ronnie Kasrils, former Anc secret service chief, who has gone underground, and Anc executive member Sathyandranath Maharaj, who is being held for allegedly plotting to topple the government. dpa mu 201616 aug 90

-30- 1734
#90232d9950 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 20) - At least five people were killed and several injured in clashes along the Armenia-Azerbaijan border, as tension mounted in the area, the Interfax and Tass news agencies reported Monday.

Armenian extremists opened fire Sunday on a bus carrying five passengers in the Kazakh region of Azerbaijan, near the Armenian border, killing a policeman and seriously wounding three other people, including another policeman.

Two of the wounded died Monday in hospital, Interfax said.

In a battle between Armenians and security forces following the attack on the bus, one Armenian extremist was killed, another seriously wounded and two soldiers were wounded, Tass said.

Soon after the attack on the bus Sunday, a police lieutenant was killed and an Interior Ministry soldier was seriously wounded when six Azeri villages were attacked, forcing villagers to flee, Interfax said.

Intensive fire continued all day Sunday from across the border in Armenia and resumed Monday morning, it added.

Six helicopters were called in elsewhere in Azerbaijan on Sunday to quell two other attacks against the Azeri population.

One helicopter was hit in the operation and forced to make an emergency landing, while a lieutenant-colonel was wounded in exchanges of fire between security forces and Armenians.

The sudden flare-up of violence appears to be connected to alleged taking of Armenian hostages by Azeris.

Armenian President Levon Ter-Petrossian told parliament in the Armenian capital Yerevan on Saturday that Armenian hostages had been taken near the area where violence broke out Sunday.

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#90232d9960 08/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 20) - Western Europe mobilized amid developments in the Gulf Monday by calling a meeting of European Economic Community foreign ministers on the hostage crisis after scheduled talks here on coordinating a European task force.

The French Foreign Ministry announced that the 12 EEC foreign ministers would meet here Tuesday to discuss the fate of foreigners trapped in Iraq

and Kuwait, particularly focussing on European nationals.

The foreign ministers will gather after nine of them, along with their defence counterparts, hold an emergency session of the Western European Union (WEU) aimed at coordinating a European task force in the Gulf.

Ambassadors of the three non-WEU countries (Ireland, Greece, Denmark) in the EEC had also been invited, along with Turkey, as observers to the meeting of the only European security forum.

The decision to call a full foreign ministers' meeting here comes after Iraqi forces Sunday transferred a further 82 Britons to an unknown destination from a Kuwait hotel, after taking away 41 on Saturday. Six more French citizens were moved Sunday from the same hotel, bringing the total number of French "restrictees", as Iraq calls them, to 33.

Thomas Pickering, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, has said that Baghdad's announcement that it would begin sequestering foreign nationals and use them as military shields made it clear Iraqi President Saddam Hussein "was going to hold hostage all foreigners."

The United States, Britain and Turkey are the western countries with the most nationals in Kuwait and Iraq. Turkey has some 5,500 citizens in both countries, while Britain has 4,500 and the United States 3,100.

WEU Secretary-General Willem Eekelen said in an interview with the Paris-based International Herald Tribune Monday that the European military response aimed to demonstrate that "beside adding military assets, Europe wants to show that this is not just a U.S. commitment".

In the wake of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the United States responded by sending a U.S.-led multinational force to the Gulf to enforce a U.N. embargo.

"Our main goal is a political commitment that would encourage other countries such as Italy and Spain to decide to send forces," Mr. Eekelen added, referring to the "dispersed" European reaction under which Britain and France have led the European military effort in the Gulf.

Mr. Eekelen, a former Dutch defence minister, also indicated that he favoured West German participation in the European force.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's support for Bonn's participation in a Gulf task force has sparked domestic criticism as he appeared to question the widespread view that Bonn is constitutionally prohibited from foreign military activity outside the European military theatre.

The WEU, set up in 1948, was moribund until the mid-1980s when it was

revived as a forum for European defence cooperation. The WEU notably organised a joint mine-sweeping operation during the Iran-Iraq war from 1987-88, but Mr. Eekelen said the current military response would be "qualitatively much superior" to the earlier operation.

A French Foreign Ministry spokesman meanwhile denied a report in Monday's International Herald Tribune that France had sought separate treatment for its 560 nationals in Iraq and Kuwait.

"At no time has France played a solo game in this affair," the spokesman said.

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#90232e0013 08/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BEIRUT (AUG. 20) EFE - At least 10 people were killed and 20 others wounded Monday as rival Lebanese Shiite militias clashed in the southern part of the capital, police said.

The Syrian-backed Amal and the pro-Iranian Hezbollah fought artillery duels in several districts of Beirut while Syrian troops tried to position themselves between the groups to stop the fighting.

Meanwhile, the two militias also battled each other with artillery and automatic weapons Monday in the strategic southern Lebanese region of Iqlim al-Tufah.

More than 1,000 people have died in the two-year-old conflict between the Amal and Hezbollah (Party of God) militia, who are fighting for control over Lebanon's 1.5 million Moslems.

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#90232e0014 08/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 20) EFE - Baghdad announced Monday that it will allow Argentines and Indonesians to leave Iraq and Kuwait after their governments chose not to send troops to the Persian Gulf, the official Iraqi news agency INA reported.

INA quoted an official Iraqi spokesman as saying, +In appreciation and respect of the Argentine government's decision not to send troops to the zone, and as a gesture of good faith, we have decided to facilitate the exit of Argentine citizens from Iraqi national territory.+

Another Iraqi spokesman Monday expressed satisfaction over Indonesia's decision +not to bow down to pressure from the United States to send troops to Saudi Arabia, and because of that, we will allow its citizens to leave our national territory+.

Hundreds of Indonesians and a handful of Argentines are believed to be in Iraq and Kuwait.

Baghdad agreed Sunday to allow citizens of Switzerland, Sweden, Finland, Austria and Portugal to leave Iraq and Kuwait, while vowing to hold thousands of other Westerners until the United States withdrew its forces from the Gulf region and ended a trade blockade.

There are 5,000 Britons and 3,000 Americans among the more than ten thousand Westerners trapped in Iraq and Kuwait.

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#90232e0024 08/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (AUG 20) EFE - The Spanish government said Monday that it would keep its embassy in Kuwait open despite Iraq having ordered all foreign embassies there to close within five days.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman said that the diplomatic mission would remain open to attend to the needs of the estimated 100 Spanish residents in the emirate and the 16 Spaniards who were visiting the country when Iraq invaded August 2.

The spokesman said that Spain's position would be coordinated with the other European Community nations at an emergency meeting of EC foreign ministers in Paris Tuesday to discuss the plight of EC citizens trapped in Iraq and Kuwait.

The Iraqi Foreign Ministry Monday gave an ultimatum to all foreign embassies in Kuwait to close by Friday, August 24 or their representatives would lose their diplomatic status and be treated as normal foreign nationals.

U.S., British and French citizens in Iraq and Kuwait have been rounded up by Iraqi troops in the past two days and they are expected to be taken to key military and civil installations in Iraq to prevent an attack by the U.S.-led force gathered in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf.

Following a meeting with Spanish Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez Monday, Kuwaiti Finance Minister Ali Khalifa said his exiled government had received Spain's "unalterable" support.

Gonzalez was later Monday to meet with his foreign and defense ministers to decide whether Spain should make a contribution to the task force.

The meeting with Foreign Minister Francisco Fernandez Ordonez and Defense Minister Narcis Serra is to be held on the eve of the Western European

Union (WEU) meeting in Paris where the sending of a European naval force to the Gulf is to be discussed.

While condemning the Iraqi invasion and joining in international sanctions against Baghdad, Spain has been hesitant to involve itself militarily in the crisis and has called for an Arab solution.

Gonzalez met King Hassan of Morocco in Rabat Sunday, during a five-day holiday in the North African country, where the prime minister said that the use of force to solve the Gulf conflict was a step which he was not prepared to take.

He added, however, that Spain should not be isolated from its WEU partners whatever the outcome of the meeting.

The WEU is made up of Belgium, the Netherlands, West Germany, Britain, Luxembourg, Italy, France, Spain and Portugal--all members of the EC and NATO.

Non-WEU members, Ireland, Greece and Denmark have been invited to the meeting in their capacities as EC members as has Turkey which is not in the EC but is the only member of NATO which has a border with Iraq.

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#90232e0025 08/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SEVILLE, SPAIN (AUG 20) EFE - Construction work on Spain's 1992 World's Fair came to a halt Monday when workers in the southern city of Seville went on strike to protest security measures banning them from bringing their cars onto the fairgrounds.

All 2,000 workers doing sitework for the Universal Exposition have refused to carry heavy tools from the distant parking area to the island in the Gualadquivir river where the fair is to be held, a union spokesman said.

Security measures for Expo 92 have been progressively tightened to forestall attacks by the Basque separatist terror group ETA, which has threatened to target the fair.

In May, an office worker employed by the Expo was maimed by a parcel bomb which ETA later claimed responsibilty for sending.

Acknowledging that construction deadlines were extremely tight, an Expo spokesman said officials were holding talks with the strike committee and were confident the dispute could be quickly settled.-

More than 14 million people are expected to attend the fair, which opens in April 1992.

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#90232e0026 08/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
LIMA (AUG 20) EFE - A group of diners who refused to pay their bill opened fire on the employees of a restaurant in the Peruvian capital, killing six people, police reported.

Witnesses said one of the waiters in the Aldea Show restaurant in the La Victoria neighborhood of Lima presented a group of clients with a bill in the early morning hours Monday.

But the diners claimed they were short of cash and asked to speak with the manager.

After a heated dialogue, the group took out guns, assaulted the manager and shot dead three waiters, two private guards and one musician.

Police have not yet captured the suspects who, before fleeing, broke into the cashier's box and stole dlrs 350, police said.

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#90232e0029 08/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 20) EFE - The Georgian parliament has passed an electoral law paving the way for multi-party elections.

Under the new law, the Georgian parliament will be made up of 250 delegates, 125 of whom will be elected by a simple majority of votes in their districts, while the 125 others will be elected under a proportional system.

The government and opposition reached a compromise on three bills under debate for several days on Sunday.

The vote came less than three weeks after protesters in the southern republic staged a six-day blockade of the Trans-Caucasia railway line to demand multi-party elections.

The parliamentarians rejected the opposition's most radical proposals requiring candidates to know the Georgian language and have lived in the republic a certain amount of time.

The law also designates that an electoral committee will be in charge of registering currently illegal parties, which number nearly 100 in Georgia.

Parties which encourage violence, dispute the republic's territorial integrity or incite inter-ethnic hatred are not to be legalized.

More than 15,000 people attended a meeting Sunday held by the opposition coalition in the Georgian capital of Tbilisi demanding the resignation of Georgian President Givi Gumbaridze.

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#90232h0040 08/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LUSAKA (AUG. 20) XINHUA - THE ZAMBIAN INDUSTRIAL AND MINING CORPORATION (ZIMCO) HAS INCREASED THE PRICES OF PETROL, DIESEL AND PARAFFIN BY ABOUT 50 PERCENT BEGINING FROM LAST NIGHT BECAUSE OF THE CRISIS IN THE GULF FROM WHERE ZAMBIA BUYS ITS OIL, THE "ZAMBIA DAILY MAIL" AND THE "TIMES OF ZAMBIA" REPORTED TODAY.

THE ZIMCO SAID IN A EARLIER STATEMENT THAT THE PRICES OF PREMIUM PETROL AND REGULAR PETROL HAVE INCREASED TO 17.10 AND 14.60 KWACHA (40 KWACHA EQUALS TO ONE U.S. DOLLAR) RESPECTIVELY FROM 11.50 AND 9.82 KWACHA PER LITRE.

THE PRICE OF DIESEL INCREASED TO 10 FROM 6.73 KWACHA PER LITRE WHILE DOMESTIC PARAFFIN (KEROSENE) HIKED TO 9.50 FROM 6.42 KWACHA.

WHOLESALE PRICES OF OTHER PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, INCLUDING INDUSTRIAL KEROSENE, LOW SULPHUR GASOIL AND LIGHT FUEL, HAVE ALSO INCREASED.

THE INCREASE IN FUEL PRICES WAS CAUSED BY THE RISE IN WORLD OIL PRICES WHICH WAS TRIGGERED OFF BY THE GULF CRISIS. INTER- NATIONAL CRUDE OIL PRICES HAVE RISEN FROM 18 U.S. DOLLARS TO 25 U.S. DOLLARS PER BARREL AFTER IRAQ INVADED KUWAIT.

THE ZIMCO STATEMENT SAID THAT THE UNITED NATIONS BOYCOTT OF KUWAIT AND IRAQ OIL FORCED ZAMBIA TO MAKE SPOT PURCHASES OF PROCESSED FUELS AND CRUDE OIL AT PRICES HIGHER THAN WHAT IT OBTAINS UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSATNCES.

THE FUEL PRICE HIKES WERE ALSO CAUSED BY INFLATION AND CURRENCY DEVALUATIONS, IT SAID.

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#90232h0052 08/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAUSAKA (AUG. 20) XINHUA - ZAMBIA HAS STARTED ITS THIRD NATIONAL CENSUS OF POPULATION, HOUSING AND AGRICULTURE AS FROM TODAY, LOCAL NEWSPAPERS REPORTED TODAY.

LAUNCHING THE TWO-WEEK-LONG POPULATION CENSUS IN A NATION- WIDE RADIO AND TELEVISION SPEECH LAST NIGHT, ZAMBIAN PRESIDENT KENNETH KAUNDA SAID THAT THE RESULTS OF THE 1990 CENSUS WOULD BE A "GREATLY HELP" IN THE FORMULATION OF THE NEW ECONOMIC RECOVERY PROGRAM AND THE FOURTH NATIONAL

DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

INFORMATION GATHERED DURING THE CENSUS EXERCISE WILL BE USED IN DEVELOPMENT PLANNING, MONITORING SOCIO-ECONOMIC PROGRAMS AND ASSESSING THE POPULATION'S WELL-BEING, THE PRESIDENT SAID.

HE SAID THAT THE TWO-WEEK-LONG CENSUS MAY BE EXTENDED BY A FEW DAYS IN AREAS WHERE LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS MAY ARISE.

GOVERNMENT FUNDING FOR THE EXERCISE WAS SUPPLEMENTED BY WORLD ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDING THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (UNDP), THE U.S. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION.

ZAMBIA'S LAST POPULATION CENSUS WAS CONDUCTED ABOUT 10 YEARS AGO.

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#90232h0089 08/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ANKARA (AUG. 20) XINHUA - TEN PEOPLE INCLUDING FOUR CHILDREN WERE BURNT TO DEATH IN A FIRE THIS MORNING IN A HOME IN MERSIN, MEDITERRANEAN PROVINCE, ACCORDING TO THE ANATOLIA NEWS AGENCY.

THE FIRE BROKE OUT AT 03:30 LOCAL TIME IN THE ASLANKOY DISTRICT OF MERSIN'S ICEL TOWNSHIP.

THE CAUSE OF THE BLAZE WAS NOT IMMEDIATELY CLEAR.

FIRE FIGHTERS AND CITIZENS FOUGHT TO EXTINGUISH THE BLAZE BUT WERE UNABLE TO SAVE THE LIVES OF THE SIX ADULTS AND FOUR CHILDREN TRAPPED INSIDE.

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#90232h0105 08/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 20) XINHUA - CYPRUS TODAY WELCOMED A NEW RESOLUTION OF THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL DEMANDING IMMEDIATE AND SAFE DEPARTURE OF FOREIGN CITIZENS FROM IRAQ AND KUWAIT.

GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN AKIS FANTIS SAID IN A STATEMENT THAT THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED SATURDAY WAS "OF PARTICULAR SIGNIFICANCE FOR CYPRUS BECAUSE A NUMBER OF CYPRIOT NATIONALS ARE STRANDED IN IRAQ AND KUWAIT AGAINST THEIR WILL."

THE SPOKESMAN EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SCURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION WILL END THE "REGRETTABLE SITUATION" CITIZENS OF THIRD COUNTRIES IN IRAQ AND KUWAIT HAVE FOUND THEMSELVES IN.

THE CYPRIOT GOVERNMENT DECIDED LAST WEEK TO EVACUATE CYPRIOT CITIZENS FROM

THE GULF COUNTRIES.

SOME 30 CYPRIOT NATIONALS WERE STRANDED IN IRAQ AND KUWAIT AT THE TIME OF IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

THE FIRST BATCH OF CYPRIOTS, MOSTLY WOMEN AND CHILDREN, WERE FLOWN BACK CATER FROM BAHRAIN AND SAUDI ARABIA BY THE CYPRUS AIRWAYS.

THE CYPRIOT GOVERNMENT HAS REPEATEDLY EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER THE SITUATION IN THE GULF AND SUPPORT FOR U.N. SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ.

ON AUGUST 17, THE CYPRIOT GOVERNMENT ORDERED A BAN ON ALL IMPORTS, EXPORTS RE-EXPORTS AND TRANSIT TRADE FROM AND TO IRAQ AND KUWAIT.

MEANWHILE, THE ISLAND'S MERCHANT SHIPPING DEPARTMENT INSTRUCTED THE OWNERS OF ALL CYPRIOT-REGISTERED SHIPS TO BOYCOTT IRAQ.

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#90232h0120 08/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LIMA (AUG. 20) XINHUA - A U.S. TOURIST WAS KILLED SUNDAY BY AN UNKNOWN ASSAILANT WHO PUSHED THE VICTIM FROM THE SIXTH FLOOR OF A LUXURY HOTEL LOCATED IN DOWNTOWN LIMA, SAID POLICE SOURCES.

HOTEL EMPLOYEES ONLY REPORTED HEARING A SPINE-CHILLING SCREAM THAT SHATTERED THE USUAL TRANQUILITY OF LIMA'S SHERATON HOTEL, AFTER WHICH THE ASSAILANT MANAGED TO ESCAPE THE SCENE THROUGH THE REIGNING CONFUSION.

THE VICTIM'S BODY, LATER IDENTIFIED ONLY AS SMITH, A 34-YEAR-OLD NATIVE OF VIRGINIA, SHOWED SCRATCH MARKS ON THE ARMS AND HANDS, INDICATING A STRUGGLE HAD PRECEDED THE FALL FROM HER HOTEL ROOM WINDOW.

POLICE UNCOVERED CLUES SUGGESTING THE VICTIM HAD BEEN INTIMATELY INVOLVED WITH HER ATTACKER ONLY MOMENTS BEFORE PLUNGING TO HER DEATH.

U.S. EMBASSY OFFICIALS WERE DISPATCHED TO THE SCENE OF THE CRIME IN ORDER TO MAKE THE INQUIRIES, WHILE LOCAL POLICE AUTHORITIES BEGAN TO LAUNCH AN INVESTIGATION AS TO THE MOTIVE AND IDENTITY OF THE KILLER.

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#90232h0126 08/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ANKARA (AUG. 20) XINHUA - TURKISH POLICE SEIZED 22 KILOGRAMS OF PURE HEROIN AND 52 KILOGRAMS OF POWDER HASHISH OVER THE WEEKEND.

SECURITY OFFICIALS SAID TODAY THAT POLICE SEIZED 15 KILOGRAMS OF PURE HEROIN SUNDAY IN EDIRNE PROVINCE BORDERING BULGARIA AND GREECE.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE POLICE, DISGUISED AS BUYERS, CONTACTED A HEROIN SELLER, WHO WAS DETAINED WHEN HE BROUGHT THE HEROIN.

MEANWHILE, SEVEN KILOGRAMS OF PURE HEROIN WERE SEIZED AND THREE SUSPECTS ARRESTED IN MERSIN, MEDITERRANEAN PROVINCE, POLICE SAID TODAY.

LAST WEEK, SECURITY POLICE SEIZED 52 KILOGRAMS OF POWDER HASHISH AND ARRESTED FOUR PEOPLE IN THE PROVINCES OF DIYARBAKIR, MARDIN AND ISPARTA.

ACCORDING TO POLICE STATISTICS, TURKEY LAST YEAR SEIZED 1,300 KILOGRAMS OF PURE HEROIN, MAINLY FROM AFGHANISTAN, IRAN AND PAKISTAN, AND ABOUT 6,850 KILOGRAMS OF HASHISH, MAINLY FROM THE BEKAA VALLEY OF LEBANON.

DRUGS ARE SMUGGLED INTO TURKEY MAINLY THROUGH ITS SOUTHERN, EASTERN AND SOUTHEASTERN BORDERS. A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT IS SHIPPED TO EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES BEFORE REACHING FEDERAL GERMANY AND OTHER WEST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

TURKEY IS A TRANSIT POINT FOR ABOUT HALF OF THE HEROIN PRODUCED IN THE "GOLDEN TRIANGLE" BORDERING THAILAND, MYANMAR AND LAOS, AND THE "GOLDEN CRESCENT" BORDERING PAKISTAN, AFGHANISTAN AND IRAN.

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#90232h0144 08/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 20) XINHUA - EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT HOSNI MUBARAK SAID TODAY THAT HIS COUNTRY WELCOMED INITIATIVES WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF ARAB EFFORT FOR ENDING THE IRAQI OCCUPATION OF KUWAIT, THE MIDDLE EAST NEWS AGENCY (MENA) REPORTED TODAY.

MUBARAK ALSO CALLED FOR ADHERENCE TO RESOLUTIONS OF THE AUGUST 10 EMERGENCY ARAB SUMMIT ON THE GULF CRISIS AND THE AUGUST 3 EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE ARAB MINISTERIAL COUNCIL, AS WELL AS THOSE OF THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL AND THE 19TH FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETING OF THE ORGANIZATION OF ISLAMIC CONFERENCE.

THE SUMMIT CALLED FOR SENDING AN ARAB FORCE TO SAUDI ARABIA. THE MINISTERIAL MEETING DEMANDED IMMEDIATE, UNCONDITIONAL IRAQI WITHDRAWAL FROM KUWAIT AND RESTORATION OF KUWAIT'S LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT AND THE OIC MEETING REPEATED THE DEMAND.

THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL, ON ITS OWN PART, ENDORSED GLOBAL ECONOMIC AND MILITARY SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ FOR ITS OCCUPATION OF KUWAIT.

MUBARAK, SPEAKING AT A CABINET MEETING ON THE GULF CRISIS, SAID THAT THE ARAB NATION AND ISLAMIC WORLD "CATEGORICALLY REJECT" ARMED AGGRESSION AGAINST "A BROTHER PEOPLE AND SISTER COUNTRY."

HE SAID EGYPT'S INTENSE EFFORTS AND THOSE OF THE ARAB FAMILY, THOUGH NOT SUCCESSFUL, DEMONSTRATED A KEENNESS IN SAFEGUARDING THE ARAB NATIONAL INTERESTS, THE INTERESTS OF THE IRAQI PEOPLE IN PARTICULAR, FROM "UNCALCULATED THREATS."

THE PRESIDENT CALLED FOR CONTINUING ARAB EFFORTS TO AVERT THE DANGER OF ARMED CONFRONTATION WHICH WOULD CAUSE "GRAVE CONSEQUENCES, AT PRESENT AND IN THE FUTURE, TO THE ARAB NATION."

HE ALSO UNDERLINED THE NEED TO SEEK A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE GULF CRISIS AND CALLED FOR PROVISION OF AN ARAB UMBRELLA TO FACILITATE THE ATTAINMENT OF SECURITY, TRANSQUILITY AND STABILITY FOR THE ARAB COUNTRIES.

"IT IS FOR THIS PURPOSE THAT A CONTINGENT OF EGYPTIAN TROOPS IS COOPERATING WITH THE SAUDIS (IN SAUDI ARABIA)," HE SAID.

TODAY'S CABINET MEETING WAS CHAIRED BY THE PRESIDENT AND ATTENDED BY PRIME MINISTER ATEF SEDKI.

QUOTING INFORMATION MINISTER SAFWAT EL-SHERIF, MENA SAID THE CABINET CALLED UPON THE IRAQI AUTHORITIES TO REALIZE THE DANGER OF THE CURRENT SITUATION AND STOP ESCALATING THE CRISIS WHICH MAY EVENTUALLY LEAD TO CONFRONTATION.

THE CABINET ALSO URGED IRAQ TO "STOP GETTING FOREIGN NATIONALS INVOLVED IN THE DISPUTE," SAID EL-SHERIF, REFERRING TO THE HOLDING BY IRAQ OF AMERICAN AND OTHER WESTERN FOREIGNERS TRAPPED IN IRAQ AND KUWAIT SINCE THE IRAQI INVASION ON AUGUST 2.

EL-SHERIF ALSO SAID THAT EGYPTIAN TROOPS IN SAUDI ARABIA HAD THE DUTY OF DEFENDING ARAB TERRITORY AND THE TWO HOLIEST MOSQUES IN MECCA AND MEDINA, SIDE BY SIDE WITH SAUDI FORCES AND UNDER THE COMMAND OF THE HOST COUNTRY.

AS REGARDS THE SIZE OF THE EGYPTIAN FORCES TO BE EVENTUALLY MASSED IN SAUDI ARABIA AND THE LENGTH OF PERIOD FOR THEIR STAY THERE, THE OFFICIAL SAID THAT THESE MATTERS WERE LEFT FOR THE THE SAUDIS TO DECIDE.

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#90232k0064 08/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 20) KYODO - BANK OF TOKYO LTD. SAID MONDAY IT HAS SIGNED AN AGREEMENT WITH THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT TO PROMOTE JAPANESE BUSINESS INVESTMENT IN INDONESIA.

THE ACCORD CALLS FOR THE EXCHANGE OF INVESTMENT INFORMATION AND MISSIONS, THE BANK SAID. IT IS INDONESIA'S FIRST AGREEMENT OF THE KIND, IT ADDED.

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#90232k0067 08/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 20) KYODO - NIPPON COLUMBIA CO., A LEADING DOMESTIC AUDIO MANUFACTURER, SAID MONDAY IT WILL TAKE PART IN THE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF COMPLEX MULTIMEDIA TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT TO BE CONDUCTED BY A U.S. UNIVERSITY.

NIPPON COLUMBIA AND ITS U.S. SUBSIDIARY, DENON DIGITAL INDUSTRIES INC., WILL TAKE PART IN THE STUDY, TO BE HEADED BY THE GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE UNIVERSITY SET UP A COMMITTEE TO DIRECT THE STUDY AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR AND PLANS TO BEGIN CONSTRUCTING A RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER WITH A U.S. FIRM BY NEXT SUMMER.

INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID IT WAS VERY UNUSUAL FOR A FIRM TAKING PART IN JOINT RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE MULTIMEDIA INDUSTRY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLANNING STAGE OF SUCH A STUDY.

MULTIMEDIA IS THE COMPLEX MEDIUM THAT CAN ALLOW TRANSMISSION OF DATA, INCLUDING MOVIES, BY MEANS OF OPTICAL COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS OR TELECOMMUNICATIONS SATELLITES.

NIPPON COLUMBIA AND DENON WILL ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF METHODS FOR MANAGING DIGITAL SIGNALS AND SYSTEMS FOR MANAGING COPYRIGHTS, THE FIRM'S OFFICIALS SAID. NIPPON COLUMBIA WILL ALSO HELP FURNISH THE RESEARCH COSTS.

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#90232k0071 08/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
KANAZAWA (AUG. 20) KYODO - THE CHAIRMAN OF KOMEITO, THE NO. 2 OPPOSITION PARTY, SAID MONDAY THE IRANIAN AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN HAS TOLD HIM THAT HIS NATION HOPES TO TRIPLE ITS CRUDE OIL EXPORTS TO JAPAN.

KOSHIRO ISHIDA SAID AMBASSADOR HOSSEIN KAZEMPOUR ARDEBILI TOLD HIM IN THEIR TALKS LAST TUESDAY THAT IRAN WOULD LIKE TO TRIPLE ITS CRUDE OIL EXPORTS FROM THE AMOUNT IT EXPORTED TO JAPAN BEFORE THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

''THE AMBASSADOR SAID HE WANTED TO STEP UP EXPORTS FROM THE CURRENT 250,000 BARRELS PER DAY (BPD) TO ABOUT 700,000 BPD,'' SAID EISUKE YAMADA, A LOWER HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SAME PARTY, ELABORATING ON ISHIDA'S COMMENTS.

THE CHAIRMAN MADE HIS REMARKS DURING AN ADDRESS HERE, WHICH WAS ALSO ATTENDED BY YAMADA.

DURING THE FIRST HALF OF THE YEAR, CRUDE OIL EXPORTS TO JAPAN FROM IRAQ

AND KUWAIT TOTALED 450,000 BPD, ACCORDING TO THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY.

INDUSTRY SOURCES INTERPRETED ARDEBILI'S COMMENTS AS MEANING THAT IRAN WOULD LIKE TO STEP UP PRODUCTION TO MAKE UP FOR THE AMOUNT LOST FROM THE EMBARGO ON IRAQ AND KUWAIT.

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TOKYO (AUG. 20) KYODO - THE UNITED STATES HAS CALLED ON JAPAN AMID THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS TO INCREASE ITS FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR U.S. FORCES IN JAPAN AND TO INCLUDE THE PURCHASE OF MAJOR U.S. MILITARY EQUIPMENT IN ITS NEXT DEFENSE BUILDUP PLAN, A FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCE REVEALED MONDAY.

THE SOURCE SAID THE U.S. GOVERNMENT HAS ASKED JAPAN TO PICK UP A LARGER SHARE OF THE COST OF STATIONING AMERICAN MILITARY FORCES IN JAPAN, SOME OF WHICH HAVE BEEN DISPATCHED FROM OKINAWA TO THE GULF REGION.

THE U.S. GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO FORMALLY REQUESTED THAT JAPAN PURCHASE U.S.-MADE AIRBORNE WARNING CONTROL SYSTEM (AWACS) PLANES AND AERIAL REFUELING TANKERS UNDER ITS DEFENSE PROGRAM BEGINNING IN FISCAL 1991, THE SOURCE SAID.

THE SOURCE SAID JAPAN TOLD THE U.S. IT COULD NOT SAY DEFINITELY WHETHER IT WILL BUY AWACS OR AERIAL TANKERS, AS THE GOVERNMENT IS STILL IN THE PROCESS OF DELIBERATING THE NEXT DEFENSE PLAN.

BUT, ON THE REQUEST FOR INCREASED BURDEN-SHARING, THE SOURCE SAID, ''WE MUST TAKE THIS INTO CONSIDERATION.''

HE INDICATED THAT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD POSITIVELY CONSIDER THE MATTER IN THE CONTEXT OF ITS PLANS TO COME UP SOON WITH A PACKAGE OF CONCRETE CONTRIBUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS TO COUNTER IRAQI AGGRESSION IN THE PERSIAN GULF.

THE FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCE SAID U.S. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS POINTED OUT THAT JAPAN, WHICH DEPENDS ON THE MIDDLE EAST FOR SOME 70 PERCENT OF ITS PETROLEUM, BENEFITS FROM THE DISPATCH OF AMRICAN FORCES TO THE GULF REGION AND THUS HAS A ROLE TO PLAY.

THE U.S. OFFICIALS ESTIMATED THE COST OF THE U.S. OPERATION AT SOME 1 BILLION DOLLARS A MONTH, THE SOURCE SAID.

THE U.S. REQUESTS FOLLOW PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH'S TELEPHONE CALL LAST TUESDAY TO PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU, IN WHICH HE CALLED ON JAPAN TO HELP BAIL OUT COUNTRIES WHOSE ECONOMIES WILL SUFFER AS A RESULT OF ECONOMIC SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ.

ANOTHER FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCE ON MONDAY REVEALED THAT JAPAN PLANS TO MAKE FUNDS AVAILABLE TO HELP SAUDI ARABIA CARE FOR THE ESTIMATED 30,000 KUWAITI REFUGEES THERE.

VICE FOREIGN MINISTER TAKAKAZU KURIYAMA, MEANWHILE, TOLD REPORTERS THAT JAPAN IS CONSIDERING EVERYTHING SHORT OF DIRECT MILITARY ASSISTANCE IN ITS PLANNED PACKAGE OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

HE STRESSED THE NECESSITY FOR JAPAN TO SEND NOT ONLY MONEY AND MATERIALS TO THE GULF REGION, BUT PERSONNEL AS WELL.

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NAHA (AUG. 20) KYODO - FOUR PEOPLE WERE KILLED WHEN A TELEVISION NEWS HELICOPTER FILMING U.S. NAVY VESSELS FOR A SPECIAL PROGRAM ON THE IRAQI CRISIS CRASHED INTO THE SEA OFF EASTERN OKINAWA ON MONDAY, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE HELICOPTER, CHARTERED BY JAPAN BROADCASTING CORP. (NHK), WAS HOVERING OVER A U.S. SHIP ENTERING THE U.S. BASE AT WHITE BEACH IN KATSUREN, EASTERN OKINAWA, WHEN IT CRASHED INTO THE SEA, APPARENTLY AFTER LOSING BALANCE, AT 6:20 P.M., A WITNESS SAID.

THE HELICOPTER BELONGED TO AERO ASAHI CORP., A TOKYO-BASED HELICOPTER LEASING FIRM.

THE FOUR PEOPLE IN THE HELICOPTER WERE REPORTER TATSUO MOTO, 25, AND CAMERAMAN MAKOTO TAKAMATSU, 51, BOTH BASED IN NHK'S NAHA BUREAU, AND PILOT YUKIO SUETSUGU, 31, AND TECHNICIAN TAKAAKI OKAMURA, 32, BOTH OF AERO ASAHI OFFICIALS AT NHK AND AERO ASAHI SAID.

NHK OFFICIALS SAID MOTO AND TAKAMATSU WERE COVERING THE U.S. NAVY'S ACTIVITIES HERE IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS FOR A DOCUMENTARY.

JAPANESE MARITIME SELF-DEFENSE FORCE DIVERS PULLED THE FOUR, ALL UNCONSCIOUS, OUT OF THE WATER 50 METERS OFF A PIER, BUT ALL DIED IN THE HOSPITAL, JAPANESE DEFENSE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90232k0085 08/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

PYONGYANG (AUG. 20) KYODO - A NORTH KOREAN PARTY LEADER ON MONDAY ASKED JAPAN TO ABOLISH ITS PASSPORT EXCLUSION ON TRAVEL TO THE COMMUNIST COUNTRY AS PART OF A DRIVE TO IMPROVE BILATERAL RELATIONS.

NOTING THAT THE IMPROVEMENT OF JAPAN-NORTH KOREA TIES IS THE ''HOPE OF

BOTH NATIONS,'' KIM YONG SUN, A SECRETARY OF THE KOREAN WORKERS' PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE IN CHARGE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, MADE THE CALL DURING A MEETING HERE WITH VISITING JAPAN SOCIALIST PARTY (JSP) PARLIAMENTARIANS.

JAPANESE TOURISTS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO GO TO NORTH KOREA WITH REGULAR JAPANESE PASSPORTS AND ARE REQUIRED TO OBTAIN SPECIAL PERMISSION FROM THE GOVERNMENT.

KIM'S COMMENT CAME UP DURING DISCUSSIONS ON WAYS TO EXPAND EXCHANGES OF PERSONNEL BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES.

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TOKYO (AUG. 20) KYODO - WOMEN AND SENIOR CITIZENS ENTERING THE JOB MARKET BOOSTED JAPAN'S RATE OF EMPLOYMENT TURNOVER TO A 14-YEAR HIGH IN 1989, THE LABOR MINISTRY SAID IN A SURVEY RELEASED MONDAY.

THE MINISTRY SURVEY TOTALING THOSE ENTERING AND LEAVING THE JOB MARKET SHOWED A 4.8 PERCENT RISE OVER THE SAME RATE IN 1988. THE TOTAL OF 6.51 MILLION PERSONS DOES NOT INCLUDE THOSE SWITCHING JOBS.

THE SURVEY COVERED SOME 15,000 FIRMS IN AREAS RANGING FROM MANUFACTURING TO THE SERVICE SECTOR. THE TURNOVER FIGURE REPRESENTS 22.5 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF THE EMPLOYED IN 1989, THE HIGHEST SHARE SINCE 1975.

CONTINUED ECONOMIC GROWTH COMBINED WITH A SHORTAGE OF LABOR CONTRIBUTED TO HIGH NUMBERS OF WOMEN AND CITIZENS OVER THE AGE OF 60 ENTERING THE JOB MARKET, THE MINISTRY SAID.

THE NUMBER OF WOMEN FINDING EMPLOYMENT JUMPED 2.4 PERCENT OVER 1988, MANY IN PART-TIME POSITIONS. THE EQUIVALENT FIGURE FOR MEN REGISTERED A SLIGHT 0.7 PERCENT DROP.

BUT SENIOR CITIZENS SHOWED THE GREATEST RISE IN EMPLOYMENT, WITH THOSE IN THEIR EARLY SIXTIES MARKING A 17 PERCENT RISE OVER THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

IN TERMS OF SECTORS, THE SERVICE INDUSTRY HAD THE LARGEST NUMBER OF NEW JOB ENTRANTS WHILE MANUFACTURING, TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATIONS REGISTERED SLIGHT DROPS IN ENTRANTS OVER 1988.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 20) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei loses 296 points on extremely light volume London trading. ... The dollar gains against the mark but loses on the yen in morning trading ... Bonds are off, the 30-year year yielding 8.95%. ... North Sea crude oil edges 8 cents higher after opening lower on SAUDI ARABIA's statement that it stands ready to increase its oil output by up to 2 million barrels a day to help offset the shortfall caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. ...

NORDSTROM says it has settled six unfair labor practice complaints with the NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD. ... MERV GRIFFIN'S RESORTS INTERNATIONAL says a federal bankruptcy court has approved its reorganization plan.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

IRAQ announces this morning that Western embassies in KUWAIT must be evacuated by Friday. ... The FED's OPEN MARKET COMMITTEE meets tomorrow to set monetary policy. ... PRESIDENT BUSH meets with budget advisors to discuss a new budget agreement early this morning. ... The OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET releases its initial report to the President and Congress for fiscal 1991 later today.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I think conditions are starting to get very favorable," says MICHAEL METZ at OPPENHEIMER. He bases that on his belief that earnings and price-to-book ratios are as low as they are going. ("USA Today", 8/20)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The stock market was overvalued before the price of oil started rising," says ANTHONY SOSLOW, portfolio manager of the RIGHTIME GROWTH FUND. "Even if the price of oil stays where it is, the market should go down." ("USA Today", 8/20)

"I look for the market to go to 2300 [on the Dow] this year," says HOWARD COLHOUN. ("Wall Street Week", 8/19)

STOCK MARKET:

So how low will the Dow go? "It would be a totally unreliable guess," says AL GOLDMAN, research director at A.G. EDWARDS & SONS. Nevertheless, BILL RAFTERY of SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM is among the technical analysts who say the lowest level the Dow can reach is around 2275. He bases that on figuring the likely low- points for each of the 30 stocks on the Dow and then assuming they all hit bottom at once. ("USA Today", 8/20)

"For a bottom, you need a sell-at-any-price mentality," says BYRON WIEN of MORGAN STANLEY. He now sees the Dow bottoming out at around 2400 rather than his previous forecast of about 2600. "You haven't seen fear on the tape yet. There are a lot of blocks for sale, but they pull them when they don't get bids. The key thing is that people are talking more bearish than their portfolios look." (NYT, 8/20)

"I think there is probably support somewhere down around 2550 [on the Dow] " says TED EGGERT, manager of U.S. equity research at YAMAICHI INTERNATIONAL. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/17)

"It's like a Chinese water torture, but maybe I should say Iraqi water torture," says TRUDE LATIMER, market analyst with JOSEPHTHAL & COMPANY. "The market really is plagued by a multitude of horrors here, ranging from the Persian Gulf, fear of recession, fear of higher interest rates and fear of inflation," says MICHAEL METZ, market strategist with OPPENHEIMER & COMPANY. "On this background, traders and investors are risk-averse. They choose to sell a bit and stay on the sidelines,' he says. "People see no inclination to get aggressive as buyers in the market." (UPI, 08/17)

JAMES AWAD of BMI CAPITAL believes the Mideast turmoil will be resolved by Christmas and is "willing to make the leap of faith that in perceived financial panics, those who have been guided by greed -- rather than fear -- made money, so I'm buying stocks." He says it's not an easy thing to do "because it's very easy to become emotionally paralyzed. ... Someday, the system may fail and I'll look back and say I wish I had a bar of gold, some dried food, a machine gun and a hut in [the] country. But I believe the world tends to fix itself and goes on." (WSJ, 8/20)

"The Iraqi invasion [of Kuwait] is the obvious reason that the market is having trouble, but people should look deeper," says RICKY HARRINGTON of MARION BASS SECURITIES. "The economy is on the brink of a recession." (Reuters, 8/18)

MARSHALL SCHIELD, a market timer who heads a group with five mutual funds, says it is "to early to tell" whether we are in a new bear market. On the other hand, he notes that "the Value Line Index has now declined from its peak by more than 15%" and says that "is the definition of the difference between a bull market correction and a bear market." ("USA Today", 8/20)

"This is probably the most difficult situation I've had to deal with in my 21 years in the business," says RAY HIRSCH, senior portfolio manager at IDA FINANCIAL SERVICES. "Investment strategy is being made in the Middle East right now," says PETER CANELO of BEAR STEARNS. "Clients aren't terribly interested in economic and interest-rate forecasts because they know $40-a-barrel oil will change all those forecasts." (WSJ, 8/20)

"There is hardly any place to hide," says SURESH BHIRUD of OPPENHEIMER. "There is weakness across the board." (NYT, 8/20)

THOMAS LUKER, an equity trader for NIKKO SECURITIES, says Japanese investors "were very bullish up until a month ago on the U.S. market. They were looking for a higher stock market. Now, it's back to reality." ("The Washington Post", 8/19)

"I'm not ready to give up the ghost yet, but it appears that the market is really forecasting a recession," says FRANK CAPPIELLO. ("Wall Street Week", 8/17)

"Until I see some attempt to define a support level more than twice in one week, I would have to say there is further weakness coming," says PHILIP RETTEW, technical analyst at MERRILL LYNCH. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/17)

STOCK TIPS:

W.R. GRACE & CO. is the subject of a major takeout in "Barron's" this week. The publication notes that the stock has been static for about four years because "there are a lot of things Wall Street doesn't like" about the company. But it says investors seem to have concentrated on the negatives "to the exclusion of any positives, and, as it happens, even a cursory look at the company's present circumstances and prospects reveals a decided turn for the better." ("Barron's", 8/20)

PANHANDLE EASTERN CORP., a pipeline company that took on a toxic waste problem with its acquisition of Texas Eastern Corp. last year, is on the definite sell list of ALAN GAINES, of GAINES, BERLAND INC., a New York brokerage that specializes in energy research for institutional customers. "I'd sell the stock if I owned it," says Gaines. "And aggressive investors should sell it short. It's a better short today at 16 7/8 then it was earlier in the year at close to $30." ("USA Today", 8/20)

TED EGGERT, manager of U.S. equity research at YAMAICHI INTERNATIONAL, says health and drug companies are good stocks to select in times of down markets because "health care is insulated almost completely from what is going on overseas. In other words there is no change in fundamentals for companies such as MERCK, BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB, HUMANA, JOHNSON & JOHNSON, for example. So these are the kinds of stocks I would be buying in this market." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/17)

JEFF LANDLE, a portfolio manager at STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS, sees most growth for American companies to be overseas "so the idea of companies with large foreign exposure makes a lot of sense." That is why he likes GENERAL ELECTRIC, IBM and DOW CHEMICAL. (WSJ, 8/20)

PETER BENNETT, manager of the STATE STREET INVESTMENT TRUST, says the

company to bet on among the long- distance telephone companies is MCI COMMUNICATIONS. ("Barron's", 8/20)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"If I were a betting man, I might bet a little bit that the decline in the dollar against the European currencies has gone too far because I think the market is not looking at the impact of the high price of energy on what happens in Eastern Europe and what this is going to cost Germany," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist for "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/17)

"If the [Mideast] situation drags on, it will be bearish for the dollar," says NAOYUKI MIZUGUCHI, customer dealer at MITSUBISHI BANK. "... Higher oil prices will cause further deterioration of the U. S economy." (Reuters 8/20)

"The yen should firm provided that tensions in the Middle East settle," says KERMIT SCHOENHOLTZ, a SALOMON BROTHERS economist. (Reuters, 8/20)

"Gold's reaction to the weekend events in the Gulf has been somewhat muted " says NEIL BUXTON, a precious metals analyst at LEHMANN BROTHERS INTERNATIONAL in London. "But there is a potential for New York to try and take gold higher this afternoon." (Reuters, 8/20)

"The Fed is in a tough situation, but they can't afford to stop what they are doing and combat psychological and political events," says DONALD FINE chief market analyst at CHASE MANHATTAN BANK.

"They have to help this economy. That is their job." WILLIAM GRIGGS of GRIGGS & SANTOW says the Fed may not have the right "background" to lower rates.

"If you ease policy in this environment, where the bond market is collapsing and the dollar is sliding, the reaction will be bad. But something like a weak employment report for August might allow them to do it in a credible way." (NYT, 8/20)

ROBERT GENETSKI, chief economist at THE CHICAGO CORPORATION, says that - "after all the discussions and all the meetings and the rushing in and out of the room with the charts" - the Open Market Committee will not

recommend action on interest rates when it meets tomorrow.

KEM STOKES of FIRST NATIONAL BANK of Chicago predicts two moves to cut interest this year - the first one within a month. ("USA Today", 8/20)

DAVID RESLER, chief economist at NOMURA SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL, notes that the Fed normally can expect its policies to move market interest rates that are outside its direct control.

But with the Mideast crisis, he says, "Fed governors cannot have a fair level of confidence that that will happen. And if you have no feel for what the reaction will be, there is no reason to make the move." (NYT, 8/20)

"It is likely that we will see [interest] rate increases in Japan as soon as the equity market stabilizes - maybe by September," says DAVID BOARDMAN of ROWE PRICE FLEMING INTERNATIONAL in London. "West Germany will also raise rates, but they may hold off." (WSJ, 8/20)

WILLIAM GROSS says long-term bond rates would not go down "significantly" even if the Fed eased short-term interest rates now, although they would not go up because they are already at 9% and discounting 4% or 5% inflation. ("Wall Street Week", 8/17)

"With as much skittishness as there is in the market, I think bond yields will go as high as 9 1/8%," says ROBERTA OLSEN, a portfolio manager at BANC ONE ASSET MANAGEMENT CORP. in Columbus, Ohio. "That should be the high point unless something unknown happens in the Iraqi situation. And at those levels we see value in bonds." (NYT, 8/20)

"We're not saying that U.S. bond rates will increase dramatically, but high rates abroad at the very least will put a floor under the U.S. market and prevent [long-term] rates from falling" even if the Fed eases, says ANITA LAURIA of SALOMON BROTHERS. (WSJ, 8/20)

With the growing cost of the S&L bailout and the Iraq military operation, the U.S. budget deficit could balloon to more than $300 billion dollars. STEVE BELL of SALOMON BROTHERS says, "That's lots of supply if you're a bond trader. ... I'm not being facetious, that's a lot of U.S. dollar denominated securities." (CNN "Business Morning", 8/20)

"The [bond] market will be detached from economic fundamentals for as long as the politics are as wacko as they are," says one government bond trader. (NYT, 8/20)

THE ECONOMY:

BILL WOLMAN, chief economist for "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC," projects an

inflation rate of between 6.5% and 7% this year. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/17)

"Forecasting recessions over the past eight years has been a losing game," says RICHARD BERNER of SALOMON BROTHERS. "[But] the shock of higher oil prices seems likely to be the final straw that tips the U.S. economy into recession." (NYT, 8/20)

"I see a recession with negative GNP in the fourth-quarter, I see inflation rising, I see gold prices rising, oil prices are up and I think the savior ... would be the Federal Reserve with lower interest rates," says HOWARD CALHOUN. "I think the Fed's options are reduced because with inflation moving the way I think and they think it's going to go, they can't lower interest rates without adding to that fire." ("Wall Street Week", 8/17)

"We think there won't be a recession," says JOHN CONNOLLY, chairman of the investment policy committee at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "Our best guess is that we'll see 1.5% growth in an economy that should be growing almost twice that much; which means, in a sense, that a good portion of the economy will be in an actual recession - the automobile industry, for example, and home building." ("Wall Street Week", 8/17)

IN WASHINGTON:

A $50 billion reduction in the federal deficit is no longer a realistic target, says SALOMON'S STEVE BELL from Washington this morning. Post-Iraq, Bell looks for best case of $25-30 billion in reduced red ink for 1991 with perhaps $300 billion over a five-year period. (CNN "Business Morning" 8/20)

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NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Entergy Corp. (NYSE: ETR) announced today that expenditures by it for the acquisition of common shares under its stock repurchase program, instituted in November 1989, have reached $200 million.

Entergy has repurchased 10.8 million shares of common stock under the program. Entergy's board of directors has currently authorized the repurchase of shares of common stock for an acquisition cost not to exceed $275 million, depending upon favorable market conditions. These repurchases are made from time to time depending upon favorable market conditions and there is no assurance as to the actual amount of repurchases that will occur under the program.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Country Lake Foods Inc. (NASDAQ: CLFI) today announced that its Norris Creameries Division, based in Woodbury, Minn., has been renamed the Dairy Fresh Foods Division, reflecting the acquisition of Superior-Dairy Fresh Milk Co. in August.

Kip Campbell, previously vice president-sales and marketing of Superior-Dairy Fresh, was named president of the Dairy Fresh Foods Division. He succeeds Dennis Tollefson, who will become president of Country Lake's Dakota Division in Grand Forks, N.D., upon the retirement of the current president next year.

Country Lake Foods markets fluid milk, ice cream, other dairy products and fruit juices in a six-state Midwest area. The Dairy Fresh Foods Division covers most of Minnesota in addition to western Wisconsin and northern Iowa.

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OVERLAND PARK, KS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - TouchFax Information Systems Inc. has moved aggressively into the $250 million-a-year public facsimile industry by producing an easy-to-operate and durable public communications center for use in airports, hotels, post offices and other public places.

The TouchFax TF 1000 can do much more than send or receive facsimiles. A built-in computer allows it to make multiple facsimile transmissions; make laser copies of faxes or other documents; accept data from portable computers; and hook up to national and international electronic mail systems, electronic libraries, facsimile news services and other databases.

"The TF 1000 is a one-stop communications shop for the business person away from the office, or even one who has no office," said John Massey, creator of the TF 1000 and chairman of TouchFax Information Systems. "TouchFax keeps you in touch with the world."

The machine is easy to use. After inserting a credit card, the use selects desired services by touching buttons on the computer screen. Self-service ensures confidentiality. Costs are shown on the screen before each service is delivered, and a receipt is printed when the user is finished.

Documents are scanned on a flat glass surface, much like an office copier. A laser printer and plain paper are used to produce documents for the

user. Rugged, stainless-steel construction and low maintenance requirements contribute to a reliability unmatched by any self-service public facsimile machine.

The TF 1000 was chosen by the U.S. Postal Service, in conjunction with Hotelecopy and MCI, for placement in more than 200 post offices, and by Sprint Gateways, a unit of the Sprint Services division of United Telecommunications Inc., for initial placement in test locations.

Computer programming flexibility allows new services to be added as public demand grows. Sprint Gateways expects to tie machines nationwide into a wide array of SprintFAX services, including broadcast fax distribution and other information services.

The TF 1000 can be used to make photocopies on regular paper, print business forms such as purchase orders, and even send fax greeting cards.

Of course, it also can be used to make a voice telephone call. "In a sense the TF 1000 is the next step in the evolution of the telephone booth," Massey said.

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LA JOLLA, CA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientists at Agouron Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ: AGPH) announced today that they have unravelled a series of molecular puzzles surrounding the chemical interactions between one of the world's most widely used anti-cancer drugs and its molecular target. Their findings are expected to provide the basis for the rational design and development of less toxic and more potent drugs for the treatment of solid tumors.

In two back-to-back publications appearing in the Aug. 20 issue (Volume 214, No. 4) of the Journal of Molecular Biology, Agouron scientists report having solved the three-dimensional molecular structure of a key enzyme found in cancer cells. These studies have revealed in detail the atomic interactions between this enzyme called thymidylate synthase (TS) and anti-tumor drugs which inactivate it. Cancer cells cannot grow in the absence of an active TS enzyme. It has been known for many years that the body transforms the anti-cancer drug known as 5-FU (also known as fluorouracil) into a potent chemical that inactivates TS. Until the analysis by Agouron scientists, it was not known precisely how this inactivation occurred.

The analysis by the Agouron scientific team has also revealed the

intermolecular interactions between the TS enzyme and a second chemical drug known to inactivate TS. Known as 10-propargyl-5,8-dideazafolate, this drug has also shown anti-cancer activity in humans. Prior to the research reported in these publications, the three-dimensional interactions between this drug and its molecular target were unknown.

Analysis of the three-dimensional molecular structure of TS and of a number of chemical compounds which interact with it have also permitted the Agouron scientists to determine the chemical mechanism by which the enzyme performs its normal biological function and has suggested new ways in which this function might be disrupted by novel drugs.

A spokesperson for Agouron Pharmaceuticals said that the publications summarize research which has been carried out by its scientists over the last three years. The resulting knowledge is being used by Agouron scientists to design new drugs for treatment of cancer.

Agouron Pharmaceuticals Inc., based in La Jolla, is developing new drugs to treat a number of major diseases including cancer and AIDS. Using an advanced technology called "three-dimensional, protein structure- based drug design," the company's scientists design drugs to interact specifically with proteins that play key roles in human disease.

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HARLEYSVILLE, PA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Harleysville Group Inc. (NASDAQ: HGIC), and its parent company, Harleysville Mutual Insurance Co., today announced that a letter of intent has been signed to acquire USLICO's property and casualty insurance operations for a consideration of $135 million.

Under the terms of the agreement, Harleysville Group and Harleysville Mutual will purchase all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of the Hawkeye-Security Insurance Company, based in Des Moines, Iowa and its consolidated subsidiaries: United Security Insurance Co., also based in Des Moines, and the Western States Insurance Co., headquartered in Freeport, Ill. Completion of this transaction is subject to receipt of all required regulatory approvals, approvals of the respective boards of directors and the execution of a mutually satisfactory definitive agreement. The expected closing date of the transaction is Jan. 2, 1991, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

"This acquisition provides us with a tremendous opportunity to achieve the strategic diversification we have sought since we began pursuit of our strategic goal to build a 'national network of regional insurance companies' several years ago," commented Bradford W. Mitchell, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Harleysville Group Inc. "It extends our operating territory to 34 states from our present 19 states and, more importantly, establishes a substantial presence in the Midwest and western states which offer excellent profit and growth prospects."

The transaction price of $135 million will consist of a cash payment of $110 million, of which $93 million will be contributed by Harleysville Group Inc. and $17 million by Harleysville Mutual Insurance Co. In addition, Harleysville Mutual will issue to USLICO a $25 million, 10 percent, seven-year surplus note for the remainder of the purchase price. Hawkeye-Security will dividend 500,000 shares of USLICO common stock to its parent immediately prior to closing.

Upon completion of the transaction, Harleysville Group Inc. will own a 69 percent interest in the acquired property and casualty insurance companies while Harleysville Mutual will have 31 percent ownership. Harleysville's management will arrange a bank credit facility to provide for the majority of the cash portion of the transaction. Management will determine, prior to the closing date, whether to include the new acquisition in the intercompany pooling agreement between Harleysville Group and Harleysville Mutual.

"Harleysville Group's per share earnings may be moderately diluted by this acquisition during 1991 and 1992, but the acquisition will have an antidilutive affect on our earnings after that time," explained Mitchell.

The operations of the three acquired companies are managed from the Des Moines, Iowa, corporate headquarters. In 1989, the combined property and casualty insurance premiums of the companies totalled approximately $130 million. Representing the companies are over 1,000 independent agents located in 15 midwestern and western states. The agency plant provides a diversified mix of business, with 62 percent of its 1989 premium volume derived from personal insurance lines and 38 percent from commercial insurance lines. On a GAAP basis, year-end 1989 assets of the acquired companies totalled $201 million, while capital and surplus stood at $65 million, including the USLICO shares. All three companies are rated A- by the A.M. Best Company.

In a separate but related transaction, the Harleysville Mutual Insurance Co. will sell its wholly owned subsidiary, Harleysville Life Insurance Co. to USLICO for a consideration of $17 million. Payment will be in the form of a USLICO $17 million, 10 percent, seven-year note which would be held by Harleysville Mutual Insurance Co. as part of its investment portfolio.

Harleysville Group Inc. is a regional holding company for four property and casualty insurers whose marketing territory encompasses the entire East Coast. The companies include: Atlantic Insurance Company of Savannah, Harleysville Insurance Company of New Jersey, Huron Insurance Company and Worcester Insurance Company. Harleysville Group also manages the operations of Berkshire Mutual Insurance Group, headquartered in Pittsfield, Mass., the financial results of which are not consolidated into Harleysville Group at the present time. Last month, Harleysville Group announced an agreement in principle had been reached to acquire New York Casualty Insurance Company and Phoenix General Insurance Company from Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Co. Harleysville Group's net written premiums totalled $300.8 million in 1989, while assets stood at $568.5 million at Dec. 31, 1989.

Harleysville Mutual Insurance Co., founded in 1917, together with Harleysville Group Inc., form one of America's leading regional property and casualty insurance groups. On a combined statutory accounting basis, the property and casualty operations of the Harleysville organization, including Harleysville Mutual, produced direct written premiums of $584 million in 1989, while consolidated assets stood at $1.2 billion at Dec. 31, 1989. Harleysville Mutual also has subsidiaries that specialize in insurance and insurance-related services other than direct property and casualty insurance. These subsidiaries are not part of Harleysville Group Inc.

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LAFAYETTE, LA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Exploration Company of Louisiana, Inc. (NASDAQ: XCOL) (XCL) has tested one of three indicated productive zones in the Ruben Gonzalez No. 5-A, the first well completed under its operatorship in the Berry, R. Cox Field.

The company recently increased its working interest in the field to approximately 65 per cent. The well was completed in the Hinnant 7-A zone flowing 10,164 Mcf per day on a 16/64 inch choke with 6,399 psig flowing tubing pressure. The Hinnant 7-A zone contains 96 feet of net pay. Other indicated productive zones in the well are the Hinnant 6 and 7-B which remain behind pipe for completion in the future.

The acquisition of additional working interests in the field was completed in July for US$40,000,000. The acquired working interests include proven reserves of approximately 60 Bcf. Although still in the development stage the area presently has nine producing wells and total proven reserves of approximately 200 Bcf.

XCL financed the acquisition with the issuance of $50,000,000 of units of convertible preferred stock and warrants, underwritten by Guiness Mahon, London.

Marsden W. Miller, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, stated: "We are very pleased with the acquisition of the additional working interest in the Cox Field and with the completion of the preferred issue. In addition to 60 Bcf of proved reserves, the Berry R. Cox Field contains substantial probable and possible reserves.

"As operator, we plan to increase the rate of development of the field. The Gonzalez well completion result is certainly an encouraging way to start."

XCL is an oil and gas exploration and production company with offices in Lafayette, Louisiana. The company's shares are traded on NASDAQ and the International Stock Exchange of the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland Limited.

CONTACT: Marsden W. Miller, Jr., chairman, The Exploration Company of Louisiana, 318-237-0325; or Nicholas Miles of Lowe Bell Financial, 71-353-9203, for The Exploration Company of Louisiana.

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TROY, MI (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Volkswagen and Audi are expanding the creative scope of their automotive styling operations by locating a design studio in trend-setting California.

The Simi Valley near Los Angeles will be the site of the Volkswagen of America, Inc. Design Center, the VW Group's first non-European design studio.

Europe's leading auto maker and the world's fourth-largest car company, the VW Group has design centers at company headquarters in Wolfsburg, West Germany, as well as in Dusseldorf, Ingolstadt, Munich and Barcelona, Spain.

"Locating a design studio in the U.S. reflects the Group's long-term commitment to the U.S. market, as well as the worldwide styling influence of California motorists," said VWoA President and Chief Executive Officer Hans Hungerland.

"The Simi Valley design center will house a staff of 10 designers from the U.S. and abroad, including creative staff from Volkswagen AG and Audi AG," Hungerland said. "They will build full-size and scale models and will contribute design concepts for cars that the VW Group builds for North

America and throughout the world."

Michael Tozer, 46, has been selected as director of the center after having served since 1987 as director of design models for Volvo's monitoring and concept center in the Los Angeles area.

A former VWoA principal engineer for styling, Tozer worked for the company from 1979-87, spending nearly 3 1/2 years of that time at company design centers in Germany. Prior to joining VWoA, Tozer was a member of the General Motors design staff from 1967-79.

VWoA's Simi Valley design center is located within close proximity to the Art Center, a prominent industrial design school with a highly regarded automotive design curriculum.

It is also within 15 miles of VW and Audi Western Zone offices in Westlake Village and within 45 miles of downtown Los Angeles.

The VWoA Design Center will occupy a free-standing building in the Simi Valley Business Center. Offices will account for about 25 percent of the studio's 16,374 square feet of space.

VW and Audi designers are expected to occupy the Simi Valley facility in November.

CONTACT: Pat Fitzgerald of Volkswagen, 313-362-6122

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BENTONVILLE, AR (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Wal-Mart Stores Inc. (NYSE: WMT) today said that it expects compliance to X/Open Company Ltd.'s Protability Guide (XPG) for it's Unix-based information technology (IT) purchases. At the same time, Wal-Mart Stores said it plans to become a member of X/Open's User Council this year.

Wal-Mart Stores will invest more than $40 million in 1990 in technology that will conform to XPG3, the latest version of the portability guide. Wal-Mart anticipates that the amount of XPG3-compliant product purchases will increase in the future.

"We have long recognized the advantages of open computing environments at Wal-Mart," said Bobby Martin, senior vice president of Corporate Information Services at Wal-Mart. "To be assured we are getting the value we expect from our open systems purchases, we need solid guidlines. Using X/Open's XPG as a guide, we get that assurance."

Wal-Mart expects to become a member of X/Open's User Council this year,

Martin said. "Membership on X/Open's User Council will afford us the opportunity to be involved in the open systems process at the most intimate level. Our participation with that of other users worldwide will help to continue X/Open's role as the force in shaping the direction of technology standards," Martin said.

X/Open, founded in 1984, is an independent, non-profit organization made up of international computer systems vendors who are investing business, technical and marketing resources in the specification of the X/Open Portability Guide (XPG), a vendor-independent, open operating environment based on de facto and international standards. Specification of the XPG is achieved through close cooperation with users, independent software vendors and standards organizations worldwide.

The 27-year-old Wal-Mart chain operates 1,465 Wal-Mart Stores and will open approximately 175 stores during 1990. Also a division of Wal-Mart, are 129 Sam's Wholesale Clubs, and four Wal-Mart's HYPERMART USA stores. The company, headquartered in Bentonville, also operates 16 major distribution centers across the country.

The company reported sales of $25.811 billion for the fiscal year ended Jan. 31, 1990. Wal-Mart stock trades on the New York and Pacific exchanges.

CONTACT: Mark Schmidt of Wal-Mart, 501-273-4568; or Jeff Hansen of X/Open 415-773-5383.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Shidler/Holman Group announced today that the Group has reached an agreement with Bankers Trust Company designed to maximize the financing potential of Grossman's Inc.'s (NASDAQ: GROS) real estate assets following the consent solicitation. Bankers Trust was one of the lead banks in Grossman's 1985 reorganization and, as a result, is particularly well qualified for this assignment. In engaging Bankers Trust, the Shidler/Holman Group removes itself as a participant in a proposed sale/leaseback or mortgage transaction involving Grossman's real estate assets, and thereby avoids any appearance of a potential conflict of interest.

Commenting on recently announced financial results for Grossman's, the spokesman for the Group stated, "We are very disappointed to see that the company's earnings in the critical second quarter dropped to $.16 per share, compared with $.40 per share for the same period last year and that year to date, the company has reported a net loss of $.04 per share. In addition, July sales were just 1.3 percent above comparable 1989 sales, in spite of an increase in inventory SKU levels per store of as much as 50

percent. We believe that these poor results clearly spotlight the failure of the company's highly publicized 'merchandise intensification' program, which if continued, will only lead to continued losses for the company."

The Shidler/Holman Group is advocating a new operating strategy which avoids direct competition with industry giants such as Home Depot in favor of a return to Grossman's historical strength as a supplier of basic building materials for the do-it-yourself customer in markets where the company can retain competitive advantage.

The spokesman stated further, "We believe there is a need for immediate change. Our proposed board, which consists of nine directors, with extensive operating backgrounds in retailing, consulting, and corporate finance, has the experience and commitment in-place to 'stabilize and rebuild' Grossman's."

CONTACT: Ian Killips of the Shidler/Holman Group, in Honolulu, 808-531-3000; or Jennifer Wall or Richard De May of D. F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for the Shidler/Holman Group.

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INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Hurco Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: HURC) today reported higher revenues for the fiscal third quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1990, but lower earnings per share for both periods.

The company earned $1,055,000 or $.19 per share on revenues of $24,676,000 in the third quarter, compared with net income of $2,246,000 or $.45 per share on revenues of $23,537,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the nine months was $5,771,000 or $1.01 per share on revenue of $72,230,000, compared with net income of $5,311,000 or $1.17 per share on revenue of $63,814,000 for the same period in 1989.

Orders for the third quarter of 1990 were $22,700,000, compared to $25,200,000 for the same period last year. Backlog at the end of the current third quarter was $10,000,000 compared with $11,100,000 at the end of the second quarter.

The decline in net income for the third quarter despite higher shipments primarily reflects planned increases in investment in Research and Development projects and expenditures associated with marketing activities. The unexpected consequences of a rapid weakening of the U.S. Dollar against British Pound also adversely affected third quarter profits.

Brian D. McLaughlin, president and chief executive officer, said the reduced order rate reflects a slower U.S. economy. "We still anticipate earnings for fiscal 1990 to be at least $1.20 per share. We are cautiously

optimistic that new Hurco products we will introduce at the International Machine Tool Show in September will stimulate additional demand in our U.S. market. We believe the European market will continue to expand, in part because the significantly weaker dollar has enhanced Hurco's competitive pricing position."

HURCO COMPANIES, INC. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(In thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

Three Months Ended July 31	1990	1989
Revenue	$24,676	$23,537
Net Income	1,055	2,246
Earnings per common and common equivalent share	$.19	$.45
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	5,693	4,937

Nine Months Ended July 31	1990	1989
Revenue	$72,230	$63,814
Net Income	5,771	5,311
Earnings per common and common equivalent share	$1.01	$1.17
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	5,686	4,472

Hurco Companies, Inc. is one of the largest United States based manufacturers of computer numerical control systems for stand-alone machine tools. The end market for the company's products consists primarily of independent job shops and short-run manufacturing operations within large corporations in industries such as aerospace, defense, medical equipment, energy, transportation and computers. The company is based in Indianapolis and has additional manufacturing facilities in Detroit and High Wycombe, England, and has a sales application engineering and service subsidiary in Munich, West Germany. Products are sold through 120 independent agents and distributors in the United States and 26 other countries. The company also has direct sales forces in the United States, the United Kingdom and West Germany.

CONTACT: Michael K. Campbell, senior vice president and chief financial officer of Hurco Companies, Inc., 317-293-5309.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Romac & Associates has appointed Charles M. Simon, Jr. as general manager of the national recruitment company's new office in New York City.

Simon, formerly of Robert Half of New York, Inc. will be responsible for directing all of the office's personnel and recruitment services.

Romac & Associates, headquartered in Portland, Maine, is one of the nation's leading specialized personnel recruitment firms, and has more than 40 offices nationwide committed to the placement of accounting, finance and data processing specialists. The firm's new Manhattan office, at 122 East 42nd St., is the company's first location in New York City.

Simon, with seven years of recruitment and accounting experience, previously was employed as a placement manager/recruiter for Robert Half of New York and a certified public accountant for Peat, Marwick, Main.

Simon received a bachelor's degree in social psychology from Colgate University in 1974 and a master's degree in accounting from New York University Graduate School of Business Administration in 1976.

CONTACT: Lou DeLone of The Guthrie Group for Romac & Associates, 207-874-8000.

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TAMPA, FL (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Check Express Inc. (NASDAQ: CHXS), owner, operator and franchisor of retail check cashing centers, today announced that it has completed an area development agreement for the Jacksonville area.

Comart Inc., operator of a Check Express franchise in Gainesville, Fla., since August 1989, purchased three existing company-owned stores and has contracted to further develop the Jacksonville, Fla., and Brunswick, Ga., markets.

Check Express, which began franchising in 1988, now has 22 franchises open and over 40 sold in eight states. Along with its franchises, Check Express operates 17 company-owned retail money centers which provide check cashing, money orders, money transfers and related services.

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NEEDHAM, MA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Brooktrout Technology Inc. today announced the TR112T1, the first facsimile card to permit direct connection of multichannel fax systems to high-speed T1 phone lines.

Brooktrout is targeting the new T1-compatible facsimile card at regional telephone companies, long-distance carriers, and other developers of high-volume facsimile systems for such applications as facsimile message store-and-forward, broadcast distribution services and facsimile-based information delivery services. Developers of high-volume fax messaging systems are turning to high-speed T1 trunks because they offer significantly lower operating costs compared to standard phone lines.

The cost reduction stems from the TR112T1's incorporation of an interface to a new breed of T1 channel bank emulation cards that can be packaged with fax cards inside the main system unit of any computer based on IBM Corp.'s Industry Standard Architecture (ISA) bus.

Other fax cards employ standard phone system interfaces that are incompatible with T1 lines as well as with the interfaces used by internal T1 channel bank cards. Connecting a multichannel fax system based on such cards to a T1 trunk entails using an external T1 channel bank. This increases system size, complexity and cost.

A single T1 trunk, for example, can support as many as 24 facsimile channels simultaneously compared to one transmission channel per standard phone line. A single ISA-based 80386 computer can accommodate 12 TR112T1 cards, each containing two facsimile modems as well as multiple channel bank emulation cards. This permits implementation of a 24-channel facsimile T1 link in a single box. In fact, Brooktrout is the only company that can run 24 channels of facsimile in a single chassis.

Other TR112T1 features include two facsimile modems per card, an optional digitized voice playback capability, and an optional Direct Inward Dial (DID) interface that permits automatic routing of fax messages to recipients.

The board is available immediately and comes with driver software for a variety of operating systems, including UNIX, OS/2 and MS-DOS. Single-unit price on the TR112T1 is $2,495.

Brooktrout Technology is a market and technical leader in voice and facsimile messaging systems and holds a landmark patent in integrted voice and fax messaging. The company was the first to introduce multichannel fax cards, combine voice and facsimile on a single card, use Direct Inward Dialing (DID) for autorouting of facsimile messages, and provide facsimile support for UNIX platforms.

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Citicorp Information Resources announced today that it has contracted with Westpac Bank-PNG-Limited (89.9 percent owned by Westpac Banking Corporation), to install its international comprehensive banking system (ICBS) as the foundation for its future banking needs. ICBS operates on the IBM AS/400.

Westpac Bank-PNG-Limited, headquartered in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea, has 15 branches and 10 sub-branches and is the largest non-government owned commercial bank in the country.

Westpac Banking Corporation, an international financial services group headquartered in Australia with nearly AUD 118B in assets, offers a full range of international banking and financial services. Westpac's operations extend to 29 countries.

Neil J. Kinney, the managing director of Westpac Bank-PNG-Limited, commented, "The ICBS system provides a basis for the bank's operations which is already proven through its use by a variety of banks in both the developing and developed world. Citicorp Information Resources' record and commitment to continually enhance ICBS, assures Westpac of long term system reliability. Our drive to maintain market leadership will be supported by that reliability."

Westpac has provided banking services in Papua New Guinea for 80 years. To capitalize on the long term potential of the marketplace, Westpac searched for an information system to meet its retail processing needs of the 1990's. Westpac concluded that the Citicorp/IBM solution provides superior features for customers, management and branch personnel. The product, commitment, service, and financial stability of the Citicorp/IBM solution weighed heavily in the decision.

Frank Martire, the chairman of Citicorp Information Resources, stated, "We are very pleased to be working with Westpac. Westpac is well regarded in the global market as a technology leader. Westpac Bank-PNG-Limited's choice of the ICBS system is representative of a model that can be duplicated throughout the world. The ICBS product can easily be used as a stand-alone or decentralized solution for retail off-shore processing requirements of large financial institutions such as Westpac."

Citicorp Information Resources, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Citicorp, is a leading provider of a full range of data processing software and services for financial institutions worldwide. Products include: the Comprehensive Banking System an in-house, integrated software system; National Service Product an on-line service bureau; Facilities Management in which Citicorp operates a bank's own data center; and Resource Manager in which Citicorp operates a bank's proprietary software at a Citicorp data center.

CONTACT: Joan Skimmons, for Citicorp Information Resources, 203-351-4900, or 800-243-4222.

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SALISBURY, MD (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Second National Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: SNFS) shareholders approved formation of a holding company, Second National Bancorporation, at a special stockholders meeting held on Friday, Aug. 17.

"Formation of the holding company will allow Second National greater flexibility in raising capital and will assist in product development and mergers and acquisitions," said Henry A. Berliner Jr., president and chief executive officer of the company.

The board of directors at its regular meeting declared a quarterly preferred stock dividend totalling $356,250, based upon preferred stock outstanding of $15 million with a 9.5 percent coupon rate. All of the preferred stock is held by Public Service Resources Corporation of New Jersey, the third largest gas and electric utility in the United States.

Company officials had previously received approval from the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) for the move. Although Second National meets all current capital requirements, it does not presently meet future risk-based capital requirements and for that reason required OTS consent.

In addition, the board of directors unanimously adopted a resolution indicating its intent to cut the common stock quarterly dividend in half from 9 cents per share, or 36 cents annually, to 4.5 cents per share, or 18 cents on an annualized basis.

"Our residential mortgage portfolio remains strong, but non-performing commercial real estate doubled during the second quarter, similar to the experience of other banks and thrifts in our region. The reduction in the dividend payout will allow the company to preserve capital and increase general loan loss provisions. While we believe that Second National's borrowers are better able to withstand the current softening in the real estate economy than those in many other financial institutions, prudence dictates that we continue to make major additions to general loan reserves whenever possible," Berliner added.

General loan loss reserves along with stockholders' equity are part of total regulatory capital which forms a cushion of safety for depositors. Specific reserves are those set aside by management against individual projects in which losses are anticipated.

Second National is a $1.77 billion publicly traded thrift with 39 offices

throughout Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia and the District of Columbia.

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BANGOR, ME (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Nyle International Corp. ("Nyle") announced today the formation of a wholly owned subsidiary, Nyle Home Health Supplies, Inc., which has entered into Store Concession License agreements with McCrory Stores, a division of McCrory Corporation, for a chain of retail full service and Mini Home Health Supply Centers. The Home Health Centers will sell a myriad of rehabilitation products, home care supplies, specialty products and sports equipment.

As a concessionaire of McCrory Stores, Nyle Home Health Supplies, Inc. expects to have in operation in New England and New York State by mid-October 1990, 15 to 20 Mini Home Health Centers and five full service Home Health Centers. By Christmas, 1990, it is expected that 50-60 Home Health Centers will be in operation in the McCrory Stores.

The century old, privately owned McCrory Stores is a chain of over 1,450 stores in 39 states and the District of Columbia, headquartered in York, Pa., with sales in 1989 of $1.25 billion. In 1989, concession sales totaled approximately $43 million, with $8.5 million in profit for McCrory Stores.

Samuel Nyer, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Nyle, stated that Nyle is looking forward to a long-term, mutually profitable relationship with McCrory Stores.

Nyle is a public company whose common stock is traded over-the-counter ("pink sheets"), Bulletin Board symbol, 3 NYLE.

CONTACT: Samuel Nyer, chief executive officer of Nyle International Corp. 207-942-4851.

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DUNDEE, MI (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Holnam Inc. (NYSE: HLN) announced that its board of directors has agreed to sell approximately 22.2 million newly issued common shares to Holdernam Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of "Holderbank" Financiere Glaris Ltd., at a price of $4.50 per share.

Proceeds from the sale will be used for the retirement of existing debt and other general corporate purposes. The board took this action at its regularly scheduled meeting in Zurich, Switzerland on Friday, Aug. 17, 1990.

At present, Holdernam owns 87.2 percent of the 112.5 million outstanding shares of Holnam common stock. After the purchase, Holdernam will own 89.3 percent of the outstanding Holnam common shares. On Aug. 16, 1990, the closing price of Holnam common stock was $4.25 per share.

At the same meeting, Holnam management presented to the board a downward revision to its earnings estimate for 1990. Management now expects the company to incur a consolidated net loss of $.10 to $.15 per share in 1990.

The company had previously forecast consolidated earnings for 1990 of $.05 to $.10 per share. The earnings revision was attributed to inflationary cost increases and to the declining sales contribution of St. Lawrence Cement Inc., Holnam's 60 percent-owned Canadian subsidiary.

The company noted that the recent revision was made prior to, and without consideration of, any possible adverse economic consequences to business arising from events in the Middle East of the past two weeks.

Holnam is one of the largest cement manufacturers in North America. "Holderbank", based in Zurich, is one of the largest cement manufacturers in the world.

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DALLAS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Harken Energy Corporation (NYSE: HEC) of Dallas today reported a $6.7 million operating loss for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared to an operating loss of $2.9 million for the prior year's second quarter. Harken's six-month operating losses during 1990 totalled $5.5 million compared to $2.3 million in 1989.

The major reasons for the second quarter operating loss were lower gasoline gross profits at Harken Marketing Company ("HMC"), Harken's refined products marketing subsidiary, and increases to certain HMC expense reserves.

In addition to the operating loss, $9.8 million in unusual charges were recorded by HMC, including:

-- Costs associated with the decision to discontinue certain HMC

operations and provisions for non-recurring expenses associated with the consolidation of administrative activities into HMC's Houston headquarters; and

-- Decreases in the carrying value of certain HMC assets due to the renegotiation of certain notes receivable in order to accelerate principal payments due HMC and remove HMC from certain contingent obligations.

After corporate general and administrative expenses, interest expense and a provision for estimated income taxes associated with periods prior to Harken's acquisition of HMC, Harken reported a consolidated second quarter net loss of $23.2 million ($.73 per common share after accrued preferred stock dividends.) In the prior year's second quarter, Harken reported consolidated net income of $3.6 million ($.07 per common share after accrued preferred stock dividends).

When comparing second quarter, 1990 results with those of the prior year's comparable period, the following were also significant: results for the second quarter of 1989 included a gain on the sale of a subsidiary as well as equity in the earnings of an unconsolidated public company which was sold later in 1989; also, interest expense was higher in 1990 due primarily to increases in project financing at Tejas Power Corporation ("TPC"), Harken's natural gas gathering and marketing subsidiary, and in HMC's bank financing.

Harken's second quarter results bring the six-month consolidated net loss to $25.3 million, or $.86 per common share after accrued preferred stock dividends. In the prior year, Harken reported six-month consolidated net income of $2.4 million ($.02 per common share after accrued preferred stock dividends).

Despite the second quarter results, Harken reported that cash provided by operating activities had increased by $9.6 million to $5.7 million for the first six months of 1990 compared to negative cash flow from operating activities of $3.9 million for the prior year's comparable period.

Harken Energy Corporation manages and develops energy assets. HEC retails, wholesales and distributes gasoline through its subsidiary, Harken Marketing Company. Through its subsidiary, Tejas Power Corporation, HEC constructs, owns and operates natural gas gathering, storage and transmission facilities in Texas and Louisiana and markets third party gas to a variety of end-users.

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#90232p6875 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Jack Clark, chairman of the board of Stage II Apparel Corp. (AMEX: SA), announced that the corporation's board of directors had authorized the company to buy up to 100,000 shares of its common stock, or about 2 percent of its total outstanding shares, in the open market from time to time.

This new authorization to repurchase 100,000 shares is in addition to previous share repurchase authorizations of 50,000 shares and 100,000 shares voted by the board on Dec. 10, 1987, and March 14, 1990, respectively. Pursuant to these authorizations, the corporation to date has repurchased a total of approximately 106,000 shares.

The company has 4,197,425 of its shares outstanding as of today. "We believe that our future prospects are favorable and that our repurchase of Stage II shares will enhance their value to our shareholders," said Clark.

CONTACT: Alan J. Steinberg of Stage II Apparel, 212-564-5865.

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HOLLYWOOD, FLA. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - On Sept. 1, 1990, General Rent-A-Car will launch a multi-million-dollar giveaway promotion with the theme "General Has a Gift for Winning You Over."

The program, which will be introduced to consumers through a print and television advertising campaign, will run through Feb. 28, 1991. Customers renting a compact Chrysler car at a compact rate, or a larger Chrysler car, during this time will receive a General gift certificate, which is redeemable for valuable free gifts. Among the selections are a General plush puppy (free with one rental), a sporty General travel pack (free with one rental), free General rentals of Chrysler cars, free upgrades, discounts on Continental Airlines flights, and free Brookstone merchandise certificates.

"Not only will customers save money by renting at General, but now they'll earn a gift as well," said F. Paul Silicato, president and CEO of General Rent-A-Car. "We believe it's the best giveaway in the history of the car rental business."

Never before have such valuable gifts been given to customers renting cars at such low rates, said Silicato. General, which offers free unlimited mileage with every rental, will not increase its rates in order to offer the gifts.

The promotion, the largest in the company's history, is designed to encourage customers to experience the quality of the company's service and products, like the superior engineering and safety of its featured

Chrysler cars. That same quality is evident in each of General's free gifts, such as the plush Saint Bernard puppy, specially designed by the premier toy manufacturer Russ Berrie to represent General's corporate symbol and mascot.

General Rent-A-Car has more than tripled rental locations since the company was purchased by Silicato in May 1989. Headquartered in Hollywood, Fla., General now operates 100 rental offices, with a strong presence in the South, Southwest, West and Northwest regions. Reservations and information can be obtained by calling toll free 800-327-7607.

CONTACT: Dorothy Coffey or Kathryn Higham of Coffey Communications, 305-463-4622, for General Rent-A-Car

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#90232p6878 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - CCAIR, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CCAR), doing business as USAir Express, today announced that a consulting division of Coopers & Lybrand, the Company's independent auditors, and Kurth & Company, an aviation marketing and management consulting firm, have been retained to advise the Company as it develops a plan of reorganization under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. Roy H. Hagerty, the Company's President, stated that the assistance of these consultants would allow him to devote substantially more attention to the managemnt of the Company's daily operations.

The Company has also taken steps to realign and consolidate its upper management. Two executive officers and several management positions have been eliminated in the realignment. The new management organization has been designed to be more responsive and operate with minimal levels of authority. The Company believes that this reduction in the size of managment is an effective cost-cutting measure.

CONTACT: Jan S. Hagerty of CCAIR, Inc., 704-527-7670

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#90232p6879 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Cedar Group Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CDRG), a leading distributor of imported fasteners, headquartered here, said today it has entered into a definitive agreement to purchase privately held Gardenbolt International Corp. for $5.5 million cash.

Based in Sayerville, N.J., Gardenbolt International has operated as a distributor of imported fasteners for more than 50 years, with 1989 sales of approximately $26 million. When combined with Cedar Group's two current operating subsidiaries, M.S.W. International Inc. and Banyon Fasteners

Inc. annualized sales will be approximately $45 million, creating what management said it believes will be one of the largest importers and wholesalers of industrial fasteners in the United States. During 1989, U.S. sales of imported fasteners were in excess of $1 billion.

According to Stephen S. Simyak, Cedar Group president, "The acquisition of Gardenbolt will represent a major step forward in Cedar Group's plan to substantially expand its market share of the fastener distribution industry. Gardenbolt brings to Cedar Group more than just a dramatic expansion in customer base, product lines and distribution facilities -- it brings the most effective management team in the industry, led by Steven R. Schonholtz, Gardenbolt's president and chief executive officer."

He said, "We are delighted that Steven Schonholtz has agreed to serve as executive vice-president and chief operating officer of Cedar Group upon the closing of this transaction. In addition, Mr. Schonholtz will continue to serve as president and CEO of Gardenbolt. He leads a young, enthusiastic management team, prepared to grow rapidly and also capable of absorbing substantial new growth from future acquisitions. Thus, Cedar Group has bypassed the time and expense required to recruit and train a comparable organization to spearhead its expansion efforts."

Simyak said that Cedar Group expected to effect a closing of the transaction within 45 days of the execution of the definitive agreement and had already obtained a funding commitment to facilitate the close from "a major international bank."

CONTACT: C. Lawrence Rutstein, chairman of Cedar Group, 215-843-1000, or Mel Tarr, 212-980-7552, or Ira Weingarten, 805-968-2135, both for the Cedar Group.

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#90232p6885 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, NY (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Integrated Waste Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: IWSI), announced today that it has acquired the assets and operations of Southwestern Environmental and Wizard Method, Inc. Both companies are based in Niagara Falls, N.Y. Terms of the acquisitions were not disclosed.

Southwestern Environmental is a demolition and asbestos abatement contractor and has been in business for over ten years. Southwestern operates primarily in southern Texas and western New York, but has completed projects throughout the country for state and local municipalities. The company recently completed demolition of the city of Buffalo's War Memorial Stadium.

Wizard Method, Inc., has provided industrial cleaning and asbestos

abatement services to industrial accounts in western New York for the past 25 years. Some of Wizard's largest customers include Occidental Chemical, Dupont, Harrison Radiator and Eastman Kodak.

James H. Williams, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Integrated Waste Services, stated, "Southwestern Environmental and Wizard Method, Inc., will be merged into a new wholly owned subsidiary called Integrated Waste Special Services, Inc. The subsidiary will be headed by Jerome P. Williams, who was previously partner and founder of Southwestern Environmental and a principal shareholder of Wizard Method, Inc."

Williams also added, "These new acquisitions complement and enhance the existing operations of Integrated Waste Services. Our extension into the demolition business will provide us with an increased volume of material for disposal into the construction and demolition landfill. In addition, the strong industrial client base of Wizard Method, Inc., will give us the opportunity to expand our transportation and disposal business in that part of the market."

Integrated Waste Services, Inc., of Buffalo, is a non-hazardous waste management company which provides solid waste management services to governmental, commercial and industrial customers. The company's services include collection, transfer, disposal and recycling of solid waste, and tire shredding and slitting, including on-site remediation of tire stockpiles.

CONTACT: David Walke or Jaideep Khanna of Morgen-Walke Associates, 212-986-5900, for Integrated Waste Services.

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#90232p6888 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOLYOKE, MA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Affiliated Banc Corporation (NASDAQ: ABCV) today announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Vanguard Savings Bank, will charge off real estate loans in the approximate amount of $6,900,000 and write down assets held as other real estate owned by approximately $1,600,000.

Jeffrey A. Lalonde, chairman, president and CEO, said, "These actions satisfy the regulators' assessment of asset values as a result of the recently completed examination of the bank by the FDIC. By Sept. 30, 1990, we expect to replenish the allowance for loan losses to a minimum level of $7,750,000. Based on these actions, the Bank will post a loss in the third period."

Affiliated Bank Corporation is the parent company of Vanguard Savings Bank a state-chartered savings bank insured by the FDIC. Headquartered in Holyoke, Mass., the bank is a full-service financial institution with nine

banking offices.

CONTACT: Jeffrey A. Lalonde, chairman and chief executive officer of Affiliated Banc, 413-534-8000, or Gerard Coffey of G.A. Kraut, 212-696-5600, for Affiliated Banc

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#90232p6889 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Fuqua Industries Inc. (NYSE: FQA) today announced the declaration of a regular quarterly dividend of $.09 per share on its common stock.

The dividend is payable Oct. 2 to shareholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: L.P. Klamon or J.R. Foster, 404-658-9000, both of Fuqua Industries

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#90232p6890 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

GEORGE TOWN, GRAND CAYMAN, BRITISH WEST INDIES (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Florida Employers Insurance Company (NASDAQ-NMS: FLAEF) (the "company") announced today that on Aug. 18, 1990, it executed a letter of intent (the "letter") to sell either the stock of the company to American Employers Group, Inc. ("AEG") for $16.00 per outstanding share of the company's common stock, or the assets of the company to AEG for $36,112,560 in cash (the equivalent of $16.00 per share), subject to the various conditions specified in the letter.

Pursuant to the letter, AEG will acquire either (a) directly or indirectly through a merger, the outstanding shares of common stock of the company for $16.00 per share in cash; or (b) all of the company's assets, subject to the assumption of all of its insurance liabilities and substantially all of its known other liabilities, for $36,112,560 in cash.

The acquisition is subject to numerous conditions, including, amonth others, AEG's satisfactory completion of a due diligence examination of the company, execution of a definitive acquisition agreement between the company and AEG, AEG's obtaining financing, receipt by AEG and the company of all necessary regulatory (including insurance regulatory) and other approvals, and the resolution satisfactory to AEG of the freeze on certain of the company's assets deposited in British & Commonwealth Merchant Bank (Guernsey) Limited.

Subject to certain exceptions, the letter will expire on Feb. 15, 1991 if the acquisition of the company has not been consummated by then.

In considering the letter, the board of directors received the advice of Prescott, Ball & Turben, Inc. of Cleveland.

The company is a Cayman Island based reinsurance company with a number of U.S. based subsidiaries, including, among others, Florida Employers Insurance Service Corporation, which, among things, provides claims management and administrative services relating to workers' compensation insurance to Florida Construction, Commerce and Industry Self Insurers Fund and several large Florida employers who welf-insure their workers' compensation risks. The company also has two U.S. based insurance company subsidiaries, Florida Employers Life Insurance Corporation and National Trust Fire Insurance Company, and three insurance brokerage agencies, FEICO Agency, Inc., Florida Employers Excess Insurance Agency, Inc. and Walton Insurance Services, Inc.

AEG is a newly formed corporation chaired by Thom A. Williams, who is also chairman of both Brytal Limited and Intermede Inc., each of St. Louis. In structuring its offer to the company, AEG received the advice of Pauli & Company Incorporated of St. Louis.

CONTACT: Joseph M. Allovio, president of Florida Employers Insurance Company, 809-949-0155

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#90232p6891 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR) announced today that it reached an agreement with its bank lenders. As a result of the sale of the operations of its wholly- owned subsidiary, Eastman Radio, Inc., Jacor has paid to its bank lenders all previously extended interest payments under its credit agreeement and reduced the outstanding principal under the credit agreement by approximately $3.5 million. In addition, the banks also extended their waiver of the provision requiring Jacor to raise $15 million of equity to Oct. 15, 1990 or such later date as the company and the banks may agree. Jacor does not expect to satisfy such provision by Oct. 15 and will be seeking a further extension. There can be no assurance that a further extension will be granted. As a condition of the continuing effect of the agreement, among other things, Jacor agreed to continue to defer indefinitely certain payments on subordinated indebtedness and warrants and cash dividend payments on its capital stock. The company has not obtained from the holders of such obligations a consent to such deferral. The failure by the company to make such deferred payments without such consent will result in a default under these obligations.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, currently owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in

Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

CONTACT: Terry S. Jacobs, R. Christopher Weber, or Jon M. Berry, 513-621-1300, all of Jacor Communications, Inc.

-30- 1851

#90232p6897 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

OWENSBORO, KY (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The last time W. R. Grace & Co.'s Organic Chemicals Division facility in Owensboro had a lost-time recordable accident, President Reagan was in the White House and George Bush was still vice president.

That facility has operated since Dec. 1, 1987, without a lost-time accident. More dramatically, it has operated since 1982 with only one such accident and has functioned for the past two years with only one recordable incident.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration defines a lost- time accident as an injury or illness that results in days away from work. A recordable incident is cited if medical treatment is required.

By comparison, the national average for the chemical industry for lost-time accidents is 1.6 incidents per year for every 100 employees.

The best record for this facility lasted five years and seven months beginning in 1981, a tribute, according to plant officials, to the employees themselves. "Safety can't be done on paper," according to William C. Vargason, production superintendent who coordinates the Owensboro plant's safety program. "It has to be incorporated as part of the work ethic," he said.

"We try to instruct production employees to approach their jobs with safety in mind," added Vargason. "They now do that. Employees watch themselves and they watch each other," he concluded. The facility has 48 employees.

In an effort to highlight this achievement and to show the company's concern for safety matters, senior management from the Organic Chemicals Division, headquartered in Lexington, Mass., attended a dinner in Owensboro hosted by plant manager Tony Rowe honoring the employees.

"We place a tremendous emphasis on safety and we wanted to demonstrate that," said Edward G. Najjar, president of that division. "This is a team effort that requires everyone's involvement."

Grace Specialty Chemicals Co. is the world's largest specialty chemicals

company, with sales of $3.3 billion. Grace is an international specialty chemicals company with interests in energy, manufacturing and service businesses. Its sales exceed $6 billion.

CONTACT: William Vargason, 502-683-1561, or Chris Tofalli, 212-819-6000, both of Grace.

-30- 2469

#90232p6898 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Allegheny Ludlum Corp. (NYSE: ALS) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.22 per share of common stock, it was announced.

The dividend is payable Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Aug. 31, 1990.

Allegheny Ludlum's stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange (symbol ALS). The company is a leading producer of a wide range of specialty materials, including stainless steels, electrical steels and high temperature alloys.

CONTACT: Bert Delano of Allegheny Ludlum Corp., 412-394-2813.

-30- 771

#90232p6904 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The First Australia Prime Income Fund, Inc., a closed-end bond fund (AMEX: FAX), today declared a regular monthly dividend of $0.09 per share, payable on Sept. 14, 1990 to all shareholders of record on Sept. 4, 1990.

This dividend is consistent with the policy adopted by the fund's board of directors on Oct. 24, 1988 of declaring a regular monthly dividend of $0.09 per share, which commenced in February 1989. Qualifying U.S. taxpayers are additionally entitled to a foreign withholding tax credit on this dividend, and will be informed as to the amount at a later date.

At the time of its offering in April 1986, The First Australia Prime Income Fund was the largest-ever initial public offering on the American Stock Exchange. The fund has net assets in excess of $1 billion. The fund's policy is to invest at least 65 percent of its portfolio in Australian issuers or debt securities rated AA or better. The First Australia Prime Income Fund trades on the American Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange. The Fund is advised by EquitiLink Australia Limited, the largest independent mutual fund manager in Australia. Devoting itself only to the business of fund management, the EquitiLink Group manages over $1.6 billion on behalf of over 240,000 investors

worldwide.

CONTACT: Brian Sherman, The First Australia Prime Income Fund, 011-612-258-8222, or Beth Noymer or Marissa Morettie of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for The First Australia Prime Income Fund

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#90232p6905 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, VA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Vie de France Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: VDEF) announced today that a tentative agreement has been reached with Marriott Corporation's (NYSE: MHS) Host International Division, to franchise a number of Vie de France restaurants.

Richard M. Tolbert, president of Vie de France Corporation, made the announcement, stating that Vie de France had been working for some time with Marriott's Host Division in setting up this franchise arrangement and that the company was very pleased to be able to join other selected national brands at various airports and travel plaza locations managed by the Host Division.

The initial agreement calls for five franchise locations to be opened in the first year, with two locations to be established in the new Terminal 4 at the Phoenix Airport, one at Dulles International Airport in the Washington area, and two other East Coast locations. The concept of the first five units will take the form of a newly developed Vie de France Express Cafe especially designed to accommodate fast moving airport crowds and modeled after the company's own highly successful operation at National Airport in Washington. The Express Cafe will feature Vie de France's freshly prepared breads, croissants, muffins, sandwiches and salads, and will be highlighted by on-premise baking.

Depending on the locations and needs, future operations franchised by Marriott could also incorporate the Vie de France Fast & Fresh (cafeteria concept) or the Vie de France Bakery/Cafe (full-service concept). Tolbert stated that after this initial phase it is anticipated that Vie de France will have opportunities for additional franchises in Marriott's 46 airports and over 100 travel plazas operating on major highway systems.

The Express Cafe concept is ideally suited for future franchising because it provides a quick meal of high quality food with a European touch, for a much lower investment than a full-scale restaurant.

Finally, Tolbert noted that the company's stated strategy has been to grow its restaurant business through franchising with major operators. The Marriott opportunity greatly accelerates that program and further compliments the unique relationship that Vie de France enjoys with Marriott in its wholesale bakery operations as well as its new state of

the art sous-vide start-up operation.

Vie de France is currently offering for sale existing restaurants with franchise opportunities outside its core areas of Washington and Chicago. Included among the areas being offered are the Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco, Dallas, Minneapolis and Southern Florida markets.

The company, based in McLean, operates 60 Vie de France restaurants and 22 Vie de France wholesale facilities in major metropolitan markets throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Dick Tolbert of Vie de France, 703-442-9205.

-30- 3093

#90232p6910 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The European business of Sterling Drug Inc., the largest single segment of the company's international operations will be coordinated from a new office to be opened in Brussels, Belgium, in early September.

The office will become the working base for John Pieters, president of Sterling's Europe/MEASC (Middle East/Africa/Sub-continent of India) area. Pieters has been located at Sterling's New York headquarters since joining the company at the beginning of 1990. He will be supported by Steve Ward, vice president-finance for the area, and other staff.

The new office will operate under the name Sterling-Winthrop Europe SA, and be located at Avenue Franklin Roosevelt 81, 1050 Brussels; telephone 0-2-640-93-95. Sterling's Belgian company, Laboratoires Winthrop SA, will continue to operate from Rue Franz Merjay 103, 1060 Brussels.

Sterling markets and sells in all 12 European Community states and the six countries of the European Free Trade Area. It also has long-established business with the emerging states of Eastern Europe. The company manufactures in France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Portugal, Spain, and the U.K. Sterling Drug Inc. is a worldwide producer and marketer of pharmaceutical and consumer health products.

CONTACT: Charles M. Mayr, (212) 907-3336, or Victor Ripley (U.K.), 0483-505515, both of Sterling Drug.

-30- 1573

#90232p6918 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Kelly Services (NASDAQ: KELYA, KELYB), the nation's largest temporary help company, today announced its acquisition of Competence ApS, a well-established temporary employment

firm in Copenhagen, Denmark.

"This acquisition is representative of the continued growth of our international operations," said Terence E. Adderley, president and CEO of Kelly Services.

In business for 25 years, Competence ApS provides Kelly an entree into the Scandinavian countries. Kelly has acquired 10 temporary service companies outside the United States since January of 1988.

Under the purchase agreement, Competence ApS will maintain its current management.

Kelly Services, which employs more than 580,000 temporary employees annually, owns and operates more than 950 offices in the United States, Puerto Rico, Canada, the United Kingdom, Ireland, France, the Netherlands, Australia, New Zealand, and with this acquisition, Denmark.

CONTACT: Barbara I. Pardue of Kelly Services, 313-244-4800.

-30- 1204

#90232p6924 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald T. Marshall, chief executive officer of Sun Distributors L.P. (NYSE: SDP), announced today that a cash distribution of $.091666 has been declared for each Class A limited partnership interest to holders of record Aug. 31, 1990.

The distribution will be payable Sept. 28.

CONTACT: Louis J. Cissone of Sun Distributors, 215-665-3650.

-30- 541

#90232p6937 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Midway Airlines, on Oct. 1, will inaugurate service from Philadelphia International Airport to Las Vegas, with continuing service to Los Angeles International Airport, according to John P. Tague, vice president of marketing and planning.

Midway will operate one daily round-trip flight utilizing an MD-80 Series aircraft.

The flight will depart Philadelphia at 8 p.m., arrive in Las Vegas at 10 p.m. and continue to Los Angeles at 10:35 p.m., arriving in that city at 11:35 p.m.

From Los Angeles, the flight departs at 10:20 p.m., arrives in Las Vegas

at 11:20 p.m. and continues to Philadelphia at 11:55 p.m. with a 7:30 a.m. arrival.

Midway will continue its policy of high value, low fares in these markets.

FARES
(Unrestricted coach fare; one-way)

Philadelphia to:	
Las Vegas	$149
Los Angeles	179
Las Vegas to Los Angeles	49

From Philadelphia to Las Vegas, Midway will offer introductory fares as low as $130 one-way based on a round-trip purchase. These fares are effective for travel from Oct. 1 to Nov. 15; tickets must be purchased before Oct. 31. Other restrictions apply.

Midway Airlines on Oct. 1 also will begin service from Midway Airport in Chicago to John Wayne Airport in Orange County, Calif., and to Lambert Field in St. Louis.

Midway Airlines offers coast-to-coast service from its hubs at Chicago's close-in Midway Airport and Philadelphia International Airport. Midway Airlines and its wholly owned subsidiary, the Midway Commuter, serve 59 destinations in the United States, Canada, U.S. Virgin Islands and the Bahamas.

CONTACT: Laura A. Podlesny of Midway Airlines, 312-838-4823

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#90232p6939 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Barnett Banks, Inc. (NYSE: BBI) has become a member of the CIRRUS System, an international network of shared automatic teller machines.

Customers of other CIRRUS member banks will be able to use their ATM cards to make such routine bank transactions as cash withdrawals or balance inquiries at Barnett SuperTeller ATMs. CIRRUS member banks have 275 million cardholders around the world.

Barnett is already a member of PLUS, another ATM network which gives Barnett customers access to automatic teller machines around the world.

With more than $31 billion in assets and 592 offices in Florida and Georgia, Barnett is the leading financial institution in Florida and the 20th-largest in the country. The company's stock (BBI) is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Bob Stickler, 904-791-5437 (office) or 904-396-9284 (home); or Russ Hoadley, 904-791-5013 (office), 904-260-4658 (home), both of Barnett Banks, Inc.

-30- 1142

#90232p6942 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLAINVIEW, NY (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Professional Care, Inc. (AMEX: PCE) of Plainview, today reported results of operations for the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990 decreased by $1,366,000 from the same period in 1989. For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, revenues decreased by $3,888,000 from the corresponding period last year. These decreases are primarily attributable to a lower than normal patient census in hospitals, the company's need to devote significant resources to the successful resolution of its legal actions, and its inability to, until recently, arrange adequate financing to support increased marketing and staffing activity.

Included in revenues for the three and nine months ended June 30, 1990, is approximately $50,000 and $500,000, respectively, collected from Visiting Nurse Service of New York for accounts receivable which had previously been written off.

The company reported a net loss of $5,273,000 for the three months ended June 30, 1990, as compared to net income of $335,000 for the same period in 1989. Included in the third quarter results were "one time" charges of $4,950,000 for settlement of all of its outstanding legal issues and $509,000 for disposal of computer equipment. Net income from continuing operations for the three months ended June 30, 1990, excluding the above identified "one time" charges, was $186,000 as compared to $287,000 for the same period in 1989. The net loss for the nine month period ended June 30, 1990, was $4,761,000 as compared to net income of $1,039,000 for the same period in 1989. The net income for such nine month period from continuing operations, excluding the above identified "one time" charges, was $698,000 as compared to $991,000 for the same period in 1989.

As part of its corporate redevelopment program, the company is pleased to announce the completion of a $1,250,000 "bridge financing," the proceeds from which have enabled the company to comply with the settlement terms of its civil litigation with the New York State Deputy Attorney General's office. In addition, the company has obtained a credit line of $2,000,000 based upon eligible receivables, through Ambassador Factors, a member of Fleet/Norstar Financial Corp. of New York. Part of the proceeds from this financing has enabled the company to pay off its loan of approximately $733,000 to Care Plus, Inc. of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

The company is now in a much stronger financial position and is poised to pursue a number of attractive business growth and development opportunities that have been planned.

Professional Care, Inc., provides supplemental nursing personnel to hospitals and nursing homes and also provides home health care services to chronically and acutely ill patients.

CONTACT: Martin Weissman of Professional Care, 516-694-8700.

-30- 3119

#90232p6945 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Crane Co. (NYSE: CR) today announced its regular third-quarter dividend of 18-3/4 cents per share on common stock of the company, payable Sept. 14, 1990, to owners of record at the close of business on Sept. 5.

CONTACT: Crane public relations department, 212-415-7237, or 212-415-7239.

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#90232p6953 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Imperial Industries, Inc. today announced results of operations for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 produced a loss from continuing operations of $10,000, or $.02 per share, on sales of $2,102,000, compared to a loss from continuing operations of $121,000, or $.04 per share, on sales of $1,996,000 for the same period last year. The company derived a net loss of $10,000 compared to net income of $911,000 for the quarters ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

In the second quarter of 1989, the company terminated operations of Adobe Home Centers, Inc. and disposed of substantially all of the assets relating to their operations. As a result, the company recognized a gain from discontinued operations of $705,000 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1989, due principally to a realized gain of $906,000 derived from the sale of real property. Also the company recognized an extraordinary gain of $327,000 in the second quarter of 1989 as a result of the settlement of an accrued liability for an amount less than the carrying value of the obligation shown on the company's accounting records.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company derived a loss from continuing operations of $58,000, or $.04 per share, on sales of $4,057,000, compared to income from continuing operations of $388,000, or

$.05 per share, on sales of $3,819,000, for the comparable period last year. The 1990 six month results included a gain of approximately $120,000 derived from the sale of surplus real property, as compared to a $638,000 gain for the same period in 1989. As a result, the company had a net loss of $58,000, or $.04 per share, for the six months ended June 30, 1990, compared to net income of $1,421,000, or $.25 per share, for 1989.

Imperial Industries, Inc., a building products company, operates in the states of Florida and Georgia through its subsidiaries, Premix-Marbletite Manufacturing Co. and Acrocrete, Inc., companies engaged in the manufacture of stucco and plaster products to building materials dealers.

CONTACT: Howard L. Ehler Jr. of Imperial Industries, Inc., 305-477-7000.

-30- 2418

#90232p6954 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientists at Ciba-Geigy Corporation have developed fertile, genetically transformed plants in commercially valuable inbred corn lines.

"The direct genetic transformation of elite breeding lines will markedly reduce time required to bring engineered hybrid seed to market," said Dr. Mary-Dell Chilton, executive director of Ciba-Geigy's agricultural biotechnology research unit.

Any genetically engineered corn Ciba-Geigy commercializes will be marketed by its Seed Division, which produces and sells Funk's G brand hybrid corn, grain sorghum, soybean and alfalfa seed to farmers.

The scientists introduced two "marker" genes into cells of three Ciba-Geigy elite corn breeding lines. Marker genes are used experimentally to determine whether new genetic material can be successfully integrated into a plant or other organism. Plants grown from the transformed corn cells were bred with non-transformed plants, and the marker genes were found to be present and functioning in the next generation of plants.

Genetic transformation of "model" corn types, which are easier to regenerate, is a more common research approach. However, model types require considerably more traditional breeding time and effort after foreign gene introduction to produce high-quality commercial hybrid seed. Previous reports of genetic transformations of corn, Dr. Chilton noted, strongly suggest the use of model types.

The Ciba-Geigy scientists introduced the new genes into the corn cells by using a technique called microprojectile bombardment. Tiny metal beads coated with the selected genetic material are shot into the plant tissue.

When the technique is successful, the new genes are integrated into the plant's genetic structure and perform their desired function.

Dr. Bruce Hunter, vice president of research for the company's Seed Division, said the accomplishment "advances Ciba-Geigy to a leading position to develop and market genetically engineered hybrid seed corn."

Ciba-Geigy may seek approval from the U.S. and North Carolina Departments of Agriculture to conduct field tests of the transformed corn next year. The company would not have engineered insect- or disease-resistant corn seed on the market before the latter part of this decade. Lengthy testing and breeding is required to assure optimum field performance.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Northern Eagle Express Shuttle announced today that it received route certification approval from the State of Minnesota's Department of Transportation to establish an express bus shuttle service for passengers and express deliveries to/from a four-city area including Austin, Albert Lea, Owatonna and Faribault to the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport/Charter Terminal.

This new, privately held business which was established by a small group of businessmen from Minneapolis, will be based in Austin, Minn. It is scheduled to begin servicing this four-city region of Minnesota in October 1990.

Plans call for the Northern Eagle Express Shuttle Service to make multiple stops daily (Monday-Friday, Saturday and public holidays) to all four cities on the route for bus transportation to the Minneapolis- St. Paul International Airport/Charter Terminal.

Because airport express shuttle services link smaller communities with their urban counterparts, the Chambers of Commerce of each city on the route have vigorously supported the establishment of Northern Eagle Express Shuttle in order to enhance the economic/business development of this four-city area.

Northern Eagle Express Shuttle Service is the first DOT-approved express shuttle service that will transport passengers (including those with handicap disabilities) and deliveries to and from the area to the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport/Charter Terminal.

Employment Opportunities Residents in the Austin-Albert Lea area who are

interested in seeking employment with the Northern Eagle Express Shuttle should contact Larry Haugen at the Austin Chamber of Commerce for more information.

For more information about the Northern Eagle Express Shuttle, please write the firm at its Twin Cities address: 14770 Martin Drive, Eden Prairie, MN 55344.

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FRESNO, CALIF. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Gottschalks Inc. (NYSE: GOT) announced that its second quarter net income for the period ending Aug. 20 1990, improved to $79,000 compared to the year earlier quarterly net loss of $1,294,000. On a per-share basis, quarterly earnings were 1 cent compared to the year earlier net loss of 16 cents per share. Net income for the 26-week period was $335,000 or 4 cents per share compared to the prior year first-half loss of $943,000 or 12 cents per share.

"The significant improvement in earnings is due to a number of factors, " stated Robert Lawson, Gottschalks chief financial officer. "Our strong sales increases of 28 percent for the quarter were combined with improved inventory control and improved expense control which certainly added significantly to the earnings increase.

"Tighter inventories along with a number of opportunistic purchases helped to improve gross margin performance by 200 basis points. Improved earnings also resulted from a reduction in selling, general and administrative expenses to 30.8 percent of sales from 33.5 percent of sales for the prior year quarterly period. Interest expense also decreased to 3.5 percent of sales from 3.9 percent for the prior year.

"We believe our earnings improvement will continue into the third quarter. Demographics in our market area continue to improve, fueling our strong double digit same store sales increases. Our latest store opening in Capitola continues to perform ahead of plan. Our Palmdale store opens on Sept. 18 and should produce comparable results. Given our relatively immature store base we are excited about the opportunity which exists to achieve even greater operating leverage as we move into the last half of 1990," added Lawson.

Gottschalks is a regional department store chain, currently operating 22 department stores and 32 specialty apparel stores in the Central Valley and Central Coast areas of California. Gottschalks offers moderate to upper moderately priced brand-name fashion merchandise, and is in its 86th

year of continuous family management.

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#90232p6957 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Dynatronics Laser Corp. (NASDAQ: DYNT) today announced results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year-end period ended June 30, 1990. Sales figures for the year reflect an 11 percent decrease compared to fiscal year 1989. Net profit for the fiscal 1990 period equalled $500,379, which is 29 percent below the $703,113 in fisa?l 1989.

DYNATRONICS LASER CORP.

	Three Months Ended June 30, (Unaudited) Fiscal Year	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,559,691	$2,034,444
Net income before taxes	190,163	262,348
Provision for income taxes	18,515	80,094
Income before extraordinary item	171,648	182,254
Extraordinary item		
Utilization of NOL	---	(23,001)
Net income	$171,648	$159,253
Share earnings		
Before extraordinary item	$.022	$.024
Extraordinary item	---	(.003)
Net income	$.022	$.021
Weighted average common shares outstanding	7,740,000	7,738,220

	Twelve Months Ended June 30, (Unaudited) Fiscal Year	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$6,612,692	$7,406,534
Net income before taxes	703,179	1,045,613
Provision for income taxes	202,800	364,300
Income before extraordinary item	500,379	681,313
Extraordinary item		
Utilization of NOL	---	21,800
Net income	$500,379	$703,113
Share earnings		
Before extraordinary item	$.065	$.088

Extraordinary item	---	.003
Net income	$.065	$.091
Weighted average common shares outstanding	7,740,000	7,738,060

Dynatronics designs, manufactures, and markets advanced-technology medical devices.

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#90232p6969 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSDALE, PA. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - AEL Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: AELNA) announced today that its AEL Defense Corp. subsidiary has been awarded a $4 million production contract by Raytheon Electromagnetic Systems Division, Goleta, Calif.

This competitive procurement is the second follow-on production option exercised by Raytheon. The original contract was awarded in August 1989. The contract calls for AEL's Microwave/Hybrid Division to produce additional Limiter/Switch/Filter, Single Pole Single Throw (SPST) and Single Pole Double Throw (SPDT) components for use in Raytheon's ALQ-184 (V) ECM pod. The AN/ALQ-184 (V) ECM pod is one of the latest U.S. Air Force tactical self-protection electronic warfare pods designed for installation on F-4, F-15, F-16, A-7, A-10, F-111 and C-130 aircraft. The products which AEL supplies are used throughout the pod. It is estimated that the U.S. Air Force will purchase between 100 and 200 ECM pods each year for the next three years.

AEL is a leading supplier of electronic defense systems and subsystems. The company designs and manufactures sophisticated countermeasures, simulation and radar warning receiver systems; installs and integrates electronic and avionic equipment in military aircraft, and provides state-of-the-art antenna systems, microwave and integrated circuit components.

The Class A common stock of AEL Industries Inc. is traded in the over-the-counter market on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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#90232p6970 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WATERBURY, CT (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - At its meeting on Aug. 15, the board of directors of American Bank of Connecticut (AMEX: BKC) declared a regular quarterly dividend of 33 cents per share on its outstanding common

stock.

THe dividend is payable on Sept. 28, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 14.

CONTACT: Betty Ann Veillette, vice president and corporate secretary of American Bank of Connecticut, 203-757-9401.

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#90232p6973 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Kevin T. Martin has been named senior vice president, Sales and Marketing, for ALPO Petfoods, effective immediately. The announcement was made by Rob Hawthorne, president and chief executive officer of ALPO.

Martin, most recently vice president, Sales and Marketing, of Dove International, a division of Mars Incorporated, has held several executive marketing and operations positions with the Mars organization. Earlier in his career he was with the H.J. Heinz Company.

"Kevin Martin's broad experience in sales and marketing will be a major addition to our new senior management team," said Hawthorne. "His proven abilities in product introductions will be key to the continued success of our cat food line."

A graduate of Jacksonville University and the University of Florida School of Business, Martin will be based in Allentown, reporting directly to Hawthorne.

ALPO Petfoods, a division of Grand Metropolitan PLC, has annual sales of $400 million and holds the number one share in premium canned dog food. ALPO's recent entry into the cat food market, launched nine months ago, has already hit the $100 million mark and is the most successful petfood launch in ten years.

Grand Metropolitan PLC is one of the largest international companies in the United Kingdom, with annual sales of approximately $15 billion. Other US subsidiaries include Burger King, Carillon Importers, Heublein, Pearle Inc., Pillsbury, GrandMet Foodservice USA, and the Paddington Corporation.

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#90232p6974 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Provident

Bankshares Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: PBKS) the parent company of Provident Bank of Maryland, declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per share at their meeting on Aug. 15, 1990.

The dividend is payable Sept. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record as of the close of business Sept. 15.

Provident Bankshares Corp., established in 1987, is parent of the 104-year-old Provident Bank of Maryland, a full-service commercial bank which provides consumer and commercial banking services through a 38-branch network in the Baltimore metropolitan area.

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#90232p6975 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - McDermott International, Inc. (NYSE: MDR) announced that Babcock & Wilcox (B and W), leading a Canadian consortium, has been awarded a turnkey contract from Malette Inc. for a chemical recovery boiler island.

The contract, valued at approximately $44 million, is part of a major upgrade of Malette's kraft pulp mill in Smooth Rock Falls, Ontario. Completion of the turnkey project is set for the summer of 1992.

The heart of the project is a Babcock and Wilcox recovery boiler that will be designed and manufactured at B and W's Cambridge, Ontario facility. The B and W consortium includes Nicholls-Radtke, Ltd. located in Cambridge Ontario, who will act as general contractor, and H.A. Simons Ltee., of Montreal, Quebec who will provide overall plant engineering for the entire complex.

The new boiler island augments a recovery unit supplied by B and W in 1964 and will allow Malette to expand pulp production in Smooth Rock from 320 to 500 metric tons per year. Babcock and Wilcox has been building Kraft recovery boilers since 1929, when the company installed the world's first at a pulp mill in Windsor Mills, Quebec. Today, the company is also a world leader in a wide range of environmental equipment.

In Smooth Rock Falls, Malette's new B and W boiler will provide mill machinery with 217,000 pounds of steam per hour as it reclaims pulping chemicals at the rate of about 300 tons per day.

Environmental equipment on Malette's recovery facility will include a low-odor evaporator and a scrubber on the dissolving tank vent stack, which are designed to keep sulfur emissions well within regulatory limits.

Babcock and is a major operating unit of McDermott International, Inc., a leading worldwide energy services company.

The company and its subsidiaries manufacture steam-generating equipment, defense products, and tubular products. They also provide engineering and construction services for industrial and utility facilities onshore, and to the oil and gas industry offshore.

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#90232p6976 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Takara Co. Ltd., Japan's second largest toy manufacturer, will open a research facility on Aug. 30 at 568 Broadway in Soho, Manhattan. It is Takara's first research facility outside of Japan.

The research facility's purpose is to develop ideas for new products that can be marketed worldwide. The official name of the facility will be Takara Design of New York.

"There is a certain limit of creative development in Japan," said Isao Kokubun, general manager of Takara. "We cannot expand our know-how by depending only on the Japanese youth or the Japanese trading companies; we must also observe the needs and markets of youngsters in the United States."

"With the opening of this facility, Takara hopes to get a better sense for products that will appeal to both the American and Japanese people," added Tohru Tomita, chief director at Takara Design of New York.

Takara produces a variety of internationally popular products under license, such as the Transformers toy line and the Game of Life. Takara manufactured the Jenny Doll and the Licca Doll in Japan. The company employs more than 1,100 people worldwide and had total sales of approximately $275 million last year.

Takara's latest products are based on "Humatronics"(TM), an animation technology, the name of which combines the words "human" and "electronic." The products respond to external stimuli, particularly sound, with movement.

Takara's Rock'N Flower(TM), the first product in the line, has sold 3 million units in the United States since its introduction in June 1989.

Takara has now expanded the line with the introduction of the Dancing

Cans(TM).

The facility will be staffed initially by several experienced Japanese researchers. Eventually, American researchers will be added.

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#90232p6979 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROGERS, CT. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Harry H. Birkenruth has been elected executive vice president of Rogers Corporation (AMEX: ROG), Rogers, Conn. He currently heads Rogers' Polymer Products Group and is chairman of the company's TQC Council (a group which directs Rogers' Total Quality Concept activities).

In this new position, Birkenruth will assume responsibility for Rogers' Electronic Materials Group based in Chandler, Ariz.

Birkenruth also has reporting responsibility for and is a member of the board of directors of Rogers Inoac Corporation (RIC), a joint venture company based in Nagoya, Japan. RIC is a joint venture between Rogers Corporation and INOAC Corporation of Nagoya, Japan. He is also on the board of directors of Durel Corporation, a joint venture of Rogers Corporation and 3M.

Birkenruth joined Rogers in 1960 as assistant treasurer. In 1964, he was elected to the board of directors and was named treasurer of the company. He became vice president, finance, in 1967 and was elected senior vice president, Polymer Products Group, in 1986.

Birkenruth graduated Magna Cum Laude in 1953 from the City College of New York with a B.A. in economics. After serving two years with the U.S. Army in Europe, he graduated with distinction from the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, where he received an MBA in 1957.

He is a trustee of the Connecticut Public Expenditure Council, a corporator of the Windham Community Memorial Hospital, and an associate board member of the Connecticut Bank and Trust Company, Danielson, Conn.

Birkenruth resides in Storrs, Conn., with his wife Honore. A Connecticut-based company, Rogers Corporation is a major manufacturer of components and materials for the electronics, automotive, and other selected industrial markets. Sales in 1989 were $175 million.

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#90232p6983 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Duff & Phelps Inc., the investment research, credit rating, money management, and financial consulting firm headquartered here, today announced that it is expanding the distribution of its high yield research.

Duff & Phelps' high yield research is now available on terminals operated by Bloomberg Financial Markets. The Bloomberg (terminals), a division of Bloomberg Financial Markets headquartered in New York, provides its clients with instant access to comprehensive data bases on securities, and on economic and financial information. It has 8,500 terminals across the United States and approximately 11,000 worldwide.

"Our High Yield Research Service consists of a wide range of reports that discuss the credit worthiness and future outlook for the major companies issuing high yield securities," said Wayne C. Stevens, president and chief executive of Duff & Phelps Investment Research Co. (D&PIRC). "We consider this a great opportunity because it will give our clients immediate access to all the information from our high yield reports."

Duff & Phelps will provide non-dealer Bloomberg clients with 45-day trial access to its high yield research.

"These reports are designed to provide the most consistent and timely source of information to the high yield portfolio manager and analyst," said Stevens. "One- and three-year credit trends, extensive risk ratings and discussions, reviews of covenants, bank lines and capital structure, cash flow, and income statement and balance sheet projections are featured in our High Yield Research Service."

Included in the reports are High Yield Alerts (additions to coverage and rating changes as well as company updates); Monthly High Yield Commentary and High Yield Bond Lists (industry features, high yield market review, company notes); Offering Bulletins (pro forma capital structure and cash flow coverage projections, details on covenants, and use of proceeds); Credit Profiles (quarterly review of company results, credit trends, and capital structure with cash flow and coverage projections); Annual Reviews (annual analysis with detailed 5-year projections, review of operations/management, covenants, credit trends, and outlook); and Special Analyses (in-depth analysis of corporate developments/events).

CONTACT: Wayne C. Stevens, Sean T. St. Clair, Robert W. Kirkpatrick Jr., or Ray Chapman, 312-263-2610, all of Duff & Phelps.

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#90232p6988 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - VLSI Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: VLSI) has announced the appointment of Charles E. Parr to the position of vice president and general manager of Asia-Pacific Operations and Jeffrey Winters to the position of director of U.S. Distribution Sales.

Parr will be responsible for directing VLSI's sales offices and design centers in Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Singapore, as well as sales representatives in Korea, Thailand, and Australia. Under Parr, the Asia-Pacific operation has been elevated to a market business unit reporting directly to president and chief operating officer, Dr. James R. Fiebiger.

Commenting on the announcement, Fiebiger, said, "Charlie Parr's appointment demonstrates our increased emphasis on organizational effectiveness and the strategic areas necessary for our continued growth. As a key region for our highly successful PC-compatible chip sets and an emerging ASIC market, Asia-Pacific will receive increased support as we expand our presence in this region under the new company reporting structure. Charlie Parr's background as one of the original members of our Logic Products Division and his experience in the Far East PC market make him an excellent choice to head our Asia-Pacific operations."

Prior to his promotion, Parr was director of marketing for the Logic Products Division. Leon Humble, vice president and general manager of the Logic Products Division, will act as director of marketing until a replacement is announced.

Winters will be responsible for managing sales through distribution in the United States and Canada. A five-year company veteran, Winters will report to David Chavoustie, vice president, Sales and Marketing. Winters is returning to the United States from VLSI's Asia-Pacific operations, where he was director of Asia-Pacific Sales.

Fiebiger said, "Jeff Winters will bring his broad experience in sales to the distribution function at VLSI and will be able to provide the leadership needed as we strengthen our sales through this valuable channel."

VLSI Technology Inc. designs, manufactures and markets application-specific integrated circuits, and application-specific memories and logic products. VLSI Technology, which has approximately 2,000 employees worldwide, had 1989 revenues of $288.5 million.

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#90232p6989 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - FFP Partners L.P. (AMEX: FFP) announced net income of $49,000, or 1 cent per Class A and Class B Unit, for its second fiscal quarter ended July 1, 1990. Revenues for the quarter were $67,458,000.

Comparative data for the second quarter and year-to-date 1990 and 1989 are presented below:

FFP PARTNERS L.P.
(In thousands, except per unit data)

	Second Quarter		Six Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues (a)	$ 67,458	$ 55,968	$121,393	$102,090
Operating income (a)	675	1,468	1,019	1,546
Operating cash flow (net income plus depreciation and amortization) (a)	1,299	1,930	2,595	2,728
Income/(loss) -				
From continuing operations (a)	$ 15	$ 861	$ (260)	$ 428
From discontinued operations	34	(164)	360	(132)
Net income (a)	49	697	100	296
Income/(loss) per Class A and Class B Unit-				
From continuing operations (a)	$ 0.00	$ 0.23	$ (0.07)	$ 0.12
From discontinued operations	0.01	(0.04)	0.10	(0.04)
Net income (a)	0.01	0.19	0.03	0.08

(a) Amounts for 1989 include a $331,000 (9 cents per unit) nonrecurring credit attributable to a redetermination of unemployment tax rates for prior years. FFP Partners is a publicly-traded limited partnership which owns and operates approximately 300 convenience stores, truck stops and self-service gasoline outlets in 12 central, southern and southwestern states. The company also engages in the sale of motor fuel on a wholesale basis to other motor fuel retailers and to commercial users of motor fuels. Its Class A Units are listed on the American Stock Exchange.

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#90232p6993 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Winn-Dixie Stores, Inc. (NYSE:

WIN) today reports record earnings of $152.5 million and sales of $9.7 billion for its fiscal year ended June 27, 1990.

Net earnings increased 13.4 percent for fiscal 1990, up from $134.5 million for fiscal 1989. Earnings per share amounted to $3.86 for 1990 vs. $3.36 for 1989, a 14.9 percent increase. Earnings for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 amounted to $43.7 million, or $1.11 per share, compared to $42.3 million, or $1.06 per share for the fourth quarter of 1989.

Sales for fiscal 1990 were $9.7 billion, compared to $9.2 billion for fiscal year 1989, up 6.5 percent. Fiscal 1990 was the 56th consecutive year of sales increases. Sales for the fourth quarter of 1990 were $2.3 billion, compared to $2.2 billion for the fourth quarter of 1989.

The Miami Division adopted an Everyday-Low-Price program on the first day of fiscal 1991, becoming the eighth division on the Everyday-Low-Price program.

Winn-Dixie paid monthly cash dividends of 16 1/2 cents per share, totaling $1.98 per share during fiscal 1990. Effective July 1990, monthly cash dividends were increased 9.1 percent to 18 cents per share, an annual rate of $2.16, which marks the company's 47th consecutive year of cash dividend increases. The new monthly dividend rate on existing shares represents an increase of 1 cent per month plus a 1/2 cent per share special dividend declared in conjunction with the proposed 2-for-1 stock split.

During the year, the company opened 42 new store locations, averaging 39,100 square feet, closed and/or sold 54 store locations, averaging 24,900 square feet. An additional 33 stores were enlarged or remodeled. At the end of fiscal 1990, the company operated 1,217 store locations, compared with 1,229 in 1989.

Winn-Dixie is the Sunbelt's largest food retailer.

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#90232p6994 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Chiles Offshore Corp. (AMEX: CHC) a provider of contract offshore drilling and workover services to major and independent oil and gas companies, today announced an agreement with Energy Service Company Inc. (ENSCO) and R.D. Smith and Company Inc. (R.D. Smith) to purchase six jackup drilling rigs and one semi- submersible rig from Penrod Drilling Corp. The six jackup rigs, the Penrod 53, 59, 60, 62 65 and 66, and the semi-submersible, will be sold by Penrod for $54

million. All of the rigs will be delivered to Chiles Offshore Corp. in the Gulf of Mexico.

The purchase will increase the number of rigs under Chiles Offshore Corp. management by 50 percent, from 14 to 21. These will include 16 owned mobile offshore jackup rigs, three other jackup rigs under bareboat charter, one owned semi-submersible rig, and a self contained platform rig managed for and owned by Conoco Inc.

The addition of these rigs is not only consistent with the strategic direction of Chiles Offshore Corp. to diversify its operating base from the Gulf of Mexico to other markets in the world, but it also places the company second in the number of jackup rigs operating in the Gulf of Mexico.

The sale of the rigs to Chiles Offshore Corp. is conditioned upon approval by the Federal Trade Commission, completion of the acquisition of the remaining 31.3 percent of Penrod's senior debt and equity securities that are not already owned by ENSCO and its affiliated group of investors and the affiliates of R.D. Smith, and certain other conditions. The ENSCO Group and affiliates of R.D. Smith expect to complete the acquisition of the remaining Penrod interest on or before Oct. 31, 1990.

With headquarters in Houston and additional offices in Lafayette, La., Chiles Offshore Corp. is engaged in drilling and workover of offshore oil and gas wells on a contract basis for major and independent oil and gas companies. Its drilling fleet consists of rigs with maximum water depth of between 200 and 300 feet. Through the first six months of 1990, Chiles Offshore Corp. equipment had a 92 percent overall utilization rate.

CONTACT: William Chiles or Jerry Brooks, 713-621-4991, both of Chiles Offshore Corp.; or Tom Gavin, 212-661-8030, or Susanna McNeil, 312-266-7800, both of the Financial Relations Board. Inc. for Chiles Offshore Corp.

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#90232p6995 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Cyclops Industries Inc. (NYSE: CYC) announced today that it will close its Detroit Strip steel operation during the fourth quarter of 1990.

The closing will affect approximately 100 workers at the division's plant in Detroit, which produces close tolerance cold-rolled carbon strip steel, primarily for automotive, steel distributor and industrial markets.

Joseph J. Nowak, executive vice president of operations, said the closing came despite a number of steps taken by the company over the past several

years in an effort to make the division profitable. "Nonetheless, the overall cost efficiency of the facility combined with declining market share have resulted in continuing losses," said Nowak.

Nowak said that layoffs would begin in mid-October and should be completed by the end of the year. He said Cyclops has already provided for the costs of the shutdown and does not expect the closing to adversely impact earnings.

Cyclops Industries Inc. is a producer of flat-rolled stainless and carbon steel, high performance alloy and tubular products, and also manufactures and erects metal panels and curtain wall for nonresidential buildings.

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#90232p6997 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Systems Center, Inc. (NYSE: SMX) today announced the acquisition of all rights and interests in software that provides automated management for the AS/400 operating system.

In a transaction valued at an estimated $2.4 million, the company purchased AS/400 software and related assets from IME Investments Ltd. of Houston.

"This product acquisition is further evidence of our stated corporate strategy to provide products for diverse environments," said Systems Center Executive Vice President Kevin A. McNerney. He added, "We're excited about transferring our company's proven skills in automated operations to the growing AS/400 market." On a related note, Systems Center recently announced its entrance in to the UNIX market with its disclosure of plans to acquire UNITECH Software, Inc.

Systems Center, Inc. (formerly VM Software, Inc.) develops, markets and supports systems, network and relational database software. The company offers over 50 products, including NET/MASTER for network and systems management; Network DataMover for data transfer among multiple operating environments; VMCENTER II for IMB's VM operating system; and relational database products for IBM's SQL/DS and DB2.

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#90232p7001 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Mail Boxes Etc. (NASDAQ: MAIL) announced today that it received $400,000 under a settlement agreement

with American Casualty Insurance Co. to settle claims under a directors and officers liability insurance policy.

The money was obtained by Mail Boxes Etc. under a $1 million directors and officers liability insurance policy as a partial recovery of funds paid by the company in February of this year in connection with the $2.8 million settlement payment of the lawsuit against the company and certain of its officers. That lawsuit was brought by Nancy Tash, the daughter of one of the original founders of the company, who alleged that the company and its officers failed to disclose certain information in connection with a 1983 purchase of her stock associated with the reorganization of the company.

Since the entire amount of the settlement had previously been written off, the $400,000 payment received by the company will result in an approximately $240,000 after-tax gain and it will be recorded by the company in its second quarter ending Oct. 31, 1990.

Mail Boxes Etc. is a San Diego-based holding company whose sole operating subsidiary, Mail Boxes Etc. USA Inc. (also known as The Post Office Alternative), is the nation's largest franchisor of neighborhood service centers specializing in postal, business and communications services centers with more than 1,200 MBE Centers sold in the United States, Puerto Rico, Canada, Japan and Mexico.

At the close of business on April 30, 1990, Mail Boxes Etc. had 1,130 Service Centers operating in 45 states, plus the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Canada, Mexico and Japan.

CONTACT: A.W. ("Tony") DeSio, CEO of Mail Boxes Etc., 619-452-1553

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HOUSTON (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Valerie L. Wohlleber has been named vice president and chief financial officer of Tenneco Minerals Co., a unit of Tenneco Inc. (NYSE: TGT).

Wohlleber, a certified public accountant, holds a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Colorado State University, and a masters of science in management from Purdue University.

In her most recent position, Wohlleber was a controller for Robert Waxman Inc., located in Denver, Colo. Prior to that she held positions of increasing responsibility in several businesses including five years with Eli Lilly and Co. Wohlleber will be located at Tenneco Minerals headquarters in Lakewood, Colo.

Tenneco Minerals is a subsidiary of Houston-based Tenneco Inc., a

diversified industrial corporation with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, agricultural and construction equipment, automotive parts, shipbuilding, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

CONTACT: Len D'Eramo of Tenneco Inc., 713-757-3778

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EUGENE, ORE. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Bohemia Inc. (NASDAQ: BOHM) today reported a net loss of $476,000 or $.09 per share, for the first fiscal quarter ended July 31, 1990. In the corresponding prior year period, the company had net income of $7,498,000 or $1.44 a share. Sales for the current first quarter declined to $78,114,000 from $93,268,000 in the year earlier period.

Earnings per share for last's year's quarter have been adjusted for a 3 percent stock dividend distributed Jan. 3, 1990.

In announcing the results, Richard D. Tinney, president and chief executive officer, said, "Our operating performance reflects the impact of higher raw material costs compounded by an erosion in market prices for most of our forest product categories. While the inflation in log prices appears to be lessening, prices for manufactured products continue to be affected by a spreading recession in a number of our major markets." Tinney stated that, contrary to recent speculative comments, Bohemia continues to have sufficient supplies of logs to meet its requirements. Tinney noted, in his remarks before the Seattle Society of Financial Analysts in January 1990, "Bohemia's timber supply, supplemented with purchases in the open market, is sufficient for nearly two years' production in Oregon and over three years in California." Nothing has materially changed since that statement was made. Tinney further noted, "I am encouraged that our raw material supply has actually increased in the last three months."

Bohemia, established in 1916, operates forest products manufacturing facilities in Oregon and California.

CONTACT: Stephen A. Wendell of Bohemia Inc., 503-342-6262, or Melvyn S. Rifkind of Rifkind, Pondel & Parsons for Bohemia Inc., 213-207-9300

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STERLING, VA. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Radiation Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: RADS) today reported fourth quarter and fiscal 1990 results. Sales, net income and earnings per share all set new quarterly and annual

records for the company. The company reported net income of $2,118,000 (39 cents per share) on sales of $30.9 million for the three months ended June 30, 1990. For the same period in the prior year, net income was $577,000 (11 cents per share) on sales of $17.3 million. For the year ended June 30, 1990, sales and net income were up 55 percent and 70 percent respectively over the prior fiscal year. Net income was $5,644,000 ($1.04 per share) on sales of $85.2 million, as compared with $3,317,000 (63 cents per share) on sales of $54.9 million for the corresponding period last year.

Total backlog of unfilled orders on June 30, 1990, was $108 million compared to a backlog of $98.4 million for the corresponding period last year.

Richard E. Thomas, chairman and chief executive officer of Radiation Systems, said that the record performance reflects steady growth in radar, navigation and terrestrial microwave product lines, as well as significant long-awaited growth in the commercial satellite communications segment fueled by the success of the Channel One Program.

Radiation Systems, Inc., designs, manufactures and installs a broad range of antenna systems for radar, air traffic control, tactical military, satellite earth stations, terrestrial microwave and other specialized uses throughout the world.

RADIATION SYSTEMS, INC.
Comparative Highlights
(In thousands, except per share amounts and percentages)

	(Unaudited) Three Months Ended June 30,			(Audited) Year Ended June 30,		
	1990	1989	Percent Change	1990	1989	Percent Change
Sales	$30,886	$17,306	78	$85,230	$54,914	55
Earnings Before Taxes	3,272	1,077	204	8,945	5,315	68
Income Tax Expense	1,154	500	131	3,301	1,998	65
Net Earnings	2,118	577	267	5,644	3,317	70
Earnings Per Share	.39	.11	255	1.04	.63	65
Average and Equivalent Shares O/S	5,387	5,420	(1)	5,426	5,281	3
Investment Income Net of Interest Expense						
Pre Tax	(185)	144		(76)	577	
After Tax	(101)	129		54	562	
Operating Margins, Pretax	11.2 pct	5.4 pct		10.6 pct	8.6 pct	
Effective Tax Rate	35.3 pct	46.4 pct		36.9 pct	37.6 pct	
Net Earnings as a						

percent of Sales	6.9 pct	3.3 pct	6.6 pct	6.0 pct

CONTACT: Richard E. Thomas, chairman and CEO, or Mark D. Funston, vice president finanace, Radiation Systems, Inc., 703-450-5680

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DALLAS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Comstock Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: CMRE) reported that its previously announced acquisition of 100 percent working interest in the 40,000 acre Coon Ranch and Sneed Ranch oil and casinghead leases in the Texas Panhandle Field closed on Friday, Aug. 17, 1990. The acquisition cost of $5 million was financed through a 12 percent bridge loan provided by NBD Bank, N.A. The leases currently have 25 existing wells, and based upon the initial reserve report by The Scotia Group, the company's proven reserves will increase by 822,000 barrels of oil and 39.6 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of casinghead gas.

Comstock also reported that a private placement of 143,500 shares of its Common Stock was completed on August 16, 1990. The shares were purchased by institutional investors at $6.00 a share. Proceeds of the stock sale will be used for the company's Panhandle development program. As a result of the private placement, Comstock now has 5,596,851 shares of Common Stock outstanding.

Comstock Resources Inc. owns and manages income producing assets in oil, casinghead and natural gas, precious metals and real estate, with subsidiary operations since 1865.

CONTACT: M. Jay Allison, CEO of Comstock Resources Inc., 214-701-2100

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#90232p7010 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Beginning today, advances in telephone technology will permit customers in approximately 80 southeastern Pennsylvania communities to use their telephones in ways that will add convenience and security to their lives.

New optional services from Bell of Pennsylvania let customers automatically redial a busy number, trace a call, block numbers from which they do not wish to receive calls, assign a special ring to selected numbers, automatically return the last call received and forward only selected calls.

These personal call management features are being made available by Bell of Pennsylvania through the Bell Atlantic (NYSE: BEL) family of I.Q. Services (A). Customers may use the services whenever they are needed,

or heavy users may save money by subscribing to their favorite ones.

Among the services, the most popular is likely to be Return Call. Return Call lets you automatically return the last call you received by simply pushing asterisk 6 9. If the called party is busy, your phone will signal you with a special ring when the called party's line is available.

Customers can use another of the services, Repeat Call, to get through to any busy number. Push asterisk 6 6, and Repeat Call automatically redials the last telephone number you dialed...and keeps on trying for 30 minutes to make the connection if the line is busy.

"The I.Q. Services put the brains of the telephone network at customers' fingertips," said Bell of Pennsylvania Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Ethan Stenger. "These new features make phones smarter and add an element of security to consumers' lives. They are ideal for families with young children, seniors, and people who work at home," Stenger added.

A $5 installation charge ($10 for business) will be waived for residence customers who order any of the new services before Oct. 13. An explanation of the I.Q. Services is provided on the Bell Atlantic Information Line, 800-365-5810.

CONTACT: John Caltagirone, 215-466-8768, or Tom Duddy, 215-466-4549, or Sharon Shaffer, 215-466-4540, all of Bell of Pennsylvania

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#90232p7012 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Ciatti's, Inc. (NASDAQ: CIATU) today announced net earnings of $715,929, or $.19 per share, on sales of $16,480,219 for its fiscal year ended July 1, 1990. This compares with net earnings of $505,543, or $.15 per share, on sales of $11,191,995 last year.

For the fourth quarter net earnings were $118,388, or $.03 per share, on sales of $4,407,660. This compares with net earnings of $139,937, or $.04 per share, on sales of $3,269,060 for the fourth quarter last year.

William C. Ferril, Ciatti's president and chief executive officer, said: "We are very pleased with our results for the year. Sales improved 47 percent and earnings were up 41 percent. Comparable unit sales were up substantially for the third consecutive year."

Ferril said that while fourth quarter sales were up 35 percent from last year, "pre-opening costs related to three new restaurants, in Burnsville and Maplewood, Minn., and Milwaukee, and an aggressive repair and maintenance program, reduced earnings in the quarter."

Ferril said that plans call for Ciatti's to open four new units in the current fiscal year. "Leases are signed for construction of restaurants in St. Cloud, Minn., and Brookfield, Wis., a Milwaukee suburb." Ferril added that negotiations are underway at other potential locations."

Plans for a unit in the Carlson Centre in Minnetonka, Minn., have been canceled due to financing difficulties encountered by the developer, Ferril said.

Ciatti's currently operates nine Italian restaurants in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

The company plans to relocate its headquarters offices to the Dewey Hill Business Center in Edina, Minn., in September of this year.

CONTACT: William C. Ferril of Ciatti's Inc., 612-925-1889; or Tom Hamill of Kolesar & Hartwell, 612-375-0548, for Ciatti's

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#90232p7018 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMDEN, N.J. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Campbell Soup Co. (NYSE: CPB) announced today that John W. Argabright, senior vice president of Campbell Soup Co. and president of Campbell International, has elected to take early retirement.

Argabright, who turns 55 in October, said his retirement will become effective when a successor is named.

"After 35 intensive years of corporate management, with much of the past 15 spent in various stages of jet lag, I'm looking forward to a more balanced lifestyle," Argabright said.

"I plan to spend more time with my family and, in my working hours, I expect to return to my first love -- consumer marketing and advertising. I'm excited about my own plans, but also the prospects for Campbell and, specifically, Campbell International."

Campbell Chief Executive Officer David W. Johnson noted that Argabright, when he joined the company four years ago, "was charged with rapidly globalizing the company. In fiscal 1991, the company's business outside North America will have grown 2-1/2 times in both sales and operating profits since Jack's arrival."

Johnson added: "The problems of Freshbake Foods and Lazzaroni have marred division performance in recent months, but with plans already implemented under Jack's guidance, Campbell International's business is

well-positioned for sustained profit growth."

Argabright joined Campbell in 1986 as vice president of Campbell Soup Co. and president of the International Division. In 1988 he became a senior vice president of Campbell.

Before joining Campbell he was president of Del Monte Franchise Beverages ("Canada Dry," "Sunkist" and "Hawaiian Punch" soft drinks). From 1982 to 1984 he was group vice president, corporate development and planning for Del Monte. He was previously group vice president, International Division, for the Clorox Co., and spent 14 years with the Procter & Gamble Co. in marketing positions.

He and his wife, Betty, live in Bryn Mawr, Pa.

CONTACT: James H. Moran of Campbell Soup, 609-342-6426

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#90232p7019 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - INTERCO Inc. (NYSE: ISS) announced today that it has reached an agreement in principle with the steering committees for its bank lenders, medium-term noteholders and subordinated debentureholders on a financial restructuring of its outstanding debt.

In the restructuring: INTERCO would issue approximately 98 million shares of INTERCO common stock, warrants to purchase 75 million shares of INTERCO common stock at a purchase price of $2 per share (after adjustment for the one-for-23.5 reverse stock split described below), warrants to purchase 25 million shares of INTERCO common stock at a purchase price of $4 per share (after adjustment for the one-for-23.5 reverse stock split) and approximately $202 million aggregate principal amount of a new issue of 8.72 percent senior subordinated debentures due 2000. INTERCO would have approximately 100 million shares of common stock outstanding following the restructuring. All share figures have been adjusted to reflect the proposed one-for-23.5 reverse stock split.

As a result of the restructuring, holders of INTERCO's Senior Subordinated Debentures, Subordinated Discount Debentures, Junior Pay-In-Kind Subordinated Debentures, preferred stock and common stock would own approximately 44.3 percent; 34.9 percent; 15.8 percent; 3.3 percent; and 1.7 percent, respectively, of INTERCO's common stock. If all warrants were exercised, such persons would own approximately 46.2 percent; 30.9 percent; 7.9 percent; 10.0 percent; and 5.0 percent, respectively, of INTERCO's common stock.

Holders of INTERCO's 13 3/4 percent Senior Subordinated Debentures due 2000 would receive the new 8.72 percent debentures, an aggregate of 44.2 million

shares of INTERCO common stock and 48 million of the $2 warrants. Each holder would be entitled to exchange each $1,000 principal amount for: $500 principal amount of the 8.72 percent debentures; approximately 109.4 shares of INTERCO common stock; and 118.7 of the $2 warrants.

INTERCO is a major manufacturer of furniture and a manufacturer and retailer of footwear through its four core companies: Broyhill Furniture Industries Inc., The Lane Company Inc., Converse Inc., and The Florsheim Shoe Co..

This announcement does not constitute an offer to sell or to buy any security or the solicitation of any consents or approvals. Offers and solicitations shall be made only by means of a proxy statement/prospectus to be filed by INTERCO with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

CONTACT: David P. Garino, 314-982-1700, for INTERCO Inc.

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#90232p7020 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Life Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: LTEK) announced the appointment of Timothy E. Pierce, Ph.D., as vice president and general manager, Asia-Pacific Division. Pierce will place special emphasis on opportunities for the company's products in Japan. LTEK's manufacturing and distribution facilities in New Zealand will also report to him. Pierce will be headquartered in the company's Tokyo office. The company also has offices in Hong Kong, Singapore and the People's Republic of China.

Pierce held senior management positions in the Asia-Pacific region with Technicon Instruments Corporation and Corning Glass Work's Medical Division. He received his Ph.D. degree in Nuclear Chemistry from the University of Rochester in 1968.

Life Technologies, Inc. develops, manufacturing and supplies more than 2,000 products used principally in life science research, commercial manufacture of genetically engineered products and human diagnostics. The company believes it is a leading supplier of sera, other cell growth media as well as enzymes and other biological products necessary for recombinant DNA procedures.

CONTACT: Joseph C. Stokes, Jr., vice president of Life Technologies, 301-840-8000; or Robert P. Borchert of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Life Technologies

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#90232p7021 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Flexel Inc., the world's leading producer of cellulose film (cellophane), today named Sawyer Riley Compton Inc., Atlanta, as its full service advertising agency of record.

"Selecting Sawyer Riley Compton as our agency indicates our focus on growth, and increased emphasis on service to our customers," said W. Lindsey Walters, chairman and chief executive officer.

Flexel was formed in late 1985 when it acquired the cellophane division of Olin Chemical. Du Pont's cellophane division was added six months later.

Flexel markets cellophane and coated polyester films throughout North America, and in Central America, South America, Europe, the Middle East, Australia, and New Zealand. Flexel products are used by manufacturers and packagers to produce a crisp, clear product wrapping.

"Flexel is a global company," said Franklin C. Compton, president of Sawyer Riley Compton. "Representing a client with important international markets is indicative of the service we offer.

"Cellophane is a familiar name and millions of people use products wrapped in it. Nevertheless, Flexel competes with other packaging products and our objective is to help Flexel sell its production capacity."

Sawyer Riley Compton is a full service marketing communications agency. It specializes in advertising and public relations for companies that market to other businesses. Capitalized billings exceed $27 million annually, placing Sawyer Riley Compton as one of the largest business-to-business agencies in the United States.

CONTACT: Debra Bottega of Flexel, 404-393-0696, or Dennis Madigan of Sawyer Riley Compton, 404-393-9849

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#90232p7023 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASHVILLE, TN (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of HCA - Hospital Corporation of America today declared a quarterly, pay-in-kind dividend on its $4.375 Cumulative Exchangeable Preferred Stock. The dividend will be payable October 1, 1990 to holders of record of Preferred Stock on August 31, 1990.

The dividend will be paid at the rate of $1.09375 per share. In accordance with the terms of this security, the dividend will be paid in additional shares of HCA - Hospital Corporation of America preferred stock. Holders will receive .04 share of Preferred Stock for each $1 value of dividend.

Holders of record of fewer than 23 shares will receive cash in lieu of

additional shares of Preferred Stock.

As of August 20, 1990, approximately $381.7 million of HCA - Hospital Corporation of America Cumulative Exchangeable Preferred Stock was outstanding. Approximately $16.7 million of additional Preferred Stock will be issued in connection with the October dividend.

CONTACT: David McFadden, Corporate Communications, HCA - Hospital Corporation of America, 615-327-9551, or 1-800-251-2561

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#90232p7024 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALL, NJ (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - New Jersey Natural Resources Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of NJR Energy Corporation, has announced the purchase of working interests in 188 natural gas producing properties located primarily in the Arkoma Basin of southeastern Oklahoma and western Arkansas. The purchase, which also included compression equipment, was completed at a price of $10.4 million.

NJR Energy is the natural gas and oil exploration and production subsidiary of New Jersey Resources Corporation (NYSE: NJR).

The purchase price for the producing properties was $8.2 million, and includes proved developed gas reserves of about 16 billion cubic feet (BCF). The acquisition cost per thousand cubic feet (MCF) was approximately 55 cents. Also included in the transaction were about 30,000 acres, held by production, which will provide additional future developmental drilling opportunities.

The purchase also included 45 compressors and nine dehydrators that will be used to enhance production from a number of the wells included in the acquisition. This equipment will be owned by Natural Resources Compressor Company, a newly formed subsidiary of NJR Energy.

"Our corporate strategy is to complete reserve acquisitions that offer the potential for future developmental drilling as well as providing an attractive current return on investment through cash flow from production " said Thomas J. Concannon, NJR Energy president and chief executive officer. "We believe that the acquisition costs for the natural gas reserves associated with this acquisition are extremely attractive under current market conditions."

Concannon also noted that the company expects to achieve higher levels of proved oil and natural gas reserves for the fifth consecutive year.

In July, New Jersey Natural Resources Company completed the acquisition of 320,000 barrels of proved, developed oil reserves and 5,100 undeveloped

acres in the Uinta Basin, Duchesne County, Utah, for approximately $1.7 million, or about $5.40 per barrel. This acquisition increased the company's proved oil reserves to more than 1 million barrels.

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#90232p7025 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First Interstate Bancorp (NYSE: I) today declared quarterly cash dividends on the company's common stock, Series A Preferred Stock and Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series B.

A quarter cash dividend of $0.75 per share on the company's common stock is payable Sept. 28, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 7, 1990. This is the 129th consecutive quarterly dividend paid by the Los Angeles-based multistate banking and financial services company since it began operations in 1958.

The September dividend payment, totaling $45.8 million, will be paid to the approximately 40,000 shareholders of record who hold First Interstate's 61 million common shares outstanding. On an annual basis, the common dividend equals $3.00 a share.

A quarterly cash dividend of $0.59-3/8 a share on First Interstate's Series A Preferred Stock is payable Sept. 28, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 17, 1990. On an annual basis, the preferred dividend equals $2.37-1/2 a share, or 9.5 percent of the stated value of $25 a share.

A dividend of $0.89 will be paid on Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 30, 1990, who hold the corporation's Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series B. The stock was issued in conjunction with the purchase of Allied Bancshares Inc. of Texas in 1988.

First Interstate provides the largest geographical coverage of any retail and business banking system in the United States. Including licensees, First Interstate Banks operate more than 1,100 full-service offices in 20 states. These offices serve five million households in more than 650 communities, including seven of the 10 fastest growing metropolitan markets in the United States. Other offices serve U.S. and international customers in 19 countries.

CONTACT: Ken Preston of First Interstate Bancorp, 213-614-3656

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#90232p7032 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of trustees of Transcontinental Realty Investors (NYSE: TCI) today announced the merger of the trust (after it was incorporated in California) with and into its recently organized, wholly-owned Delaware subsidiary, Transcontinental Realty Investors Inc. (TRI Delaware). This action was completed Aug. 17, 1990. The proposal to convert the trust from a California business trust into a Delaware corporation was approved at the trust's annual meeting on Aug. 10 1990.

The trustees believe the incorporation in Delaware should afford enhanced long-range planning, flexibility and long-term growth as a perpetual-life corporation as opposed to a finite-life business trust.

Transcontinental Realty Investors Inc. is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

CONTACT: Jean Krone Bono of Transcontinental Realty Investors, 214-692-4700.

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#90232p7034 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
WILSON, NC (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - BB&T Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: BBTF) has completed its acquisition of Carolina Bancorp Inc., the High Point-based parent company of First Federal of the Carolinas, F.A.

The four former offices of First Federal of the Carolinas opened for business Monday morning as BB&T Federal Savings Bank of High Point, a subsidiary of BB&T Financial Corporation. In addition to High Point, offices of BB&T Federal Savings Bank of High Point are located in Greensboro, Jamestown and Thomasville.

"The only changes customers will notice are positive ones," John A. Allison, chairman and chief executive officer of BB&T Financial Corporation, said. "BB&T Federal Savings Bank of High Point will feature the same employees and the same attention to quality service as First Federal of the Carolinas while offering an even wider choice of products and services."

J.D. Dobbins, former president and CEO of Carolina Bancorp, agreed. "We're extremely pleased to become a part of an organization that shares our commitment to the customer," he said. "We're excited about the new opportunities this partnership will provide our customers, our employees

and our shareholders."

The transaction was achieved through an exchange of 0.816 shares of BB&T Financial Corporation common stock for each outstanding share of Carolina Bancorp common stock. BB&T Financial Corporation issued 1,386,306 shares and now has approximately 20,857,000 shares of common stock outstanding. As of June 30, 1990, Carolina Bancorp had total assets in excess of $301 million.

BB& Financial Corporation is the parent company of Branch Banking and Trust Company, the oldest bank in North Carolina and the state's fourth largest, and BB&T of South Carolina with 15 offices in the Palmetto State. Through its subsidiaries, BB&T Financial Corporation now operates 195 offices in 108 cities and towns in North and South Carolina and has assets in excess of $5.1 billion.

The Wilson-based corporation also has announced agreements to acquire four other healthy thrift organizations: Albemarle Savings & Loan Association, Elizabeth City; First Federal Savings Bank of Pitt County, Greenville; Gate City Federal Savings and Loan Association, Greensboro; and Home Savings and Loan Association, Durham. The acquisition of First Federal Savings Bank of Pitt County is expected to be completed in early September.

CONTACT: Scott E. Reed, Senior Executive Vice President and Treasurer, BB&T Financial Corporation, 919-399-4418

-30- 2733

#90232p7035 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - ARCO (NYSE: ARC) said today it will maintain its freeze on gasoline prices but is raising the price it charges its customers for diesel and jet fuel.

The decision to continue ARCO's gasoline price freeze, begun 12 days ago, is being reviewed on a day-to-day basis, said George H. Babikian, president of ARCO Products Co., the marketing and refining division of ARCO.

"ARCO is doing all it can to hold the line, but we cannot continue the freeze on diesel and jet fuel prices in the face of sharp differences in marketplace prices between ARCO and its competitors," Babikian added. "In addition, we have been forced to augment our jet fuel supplies by buying on the spot market at high prices."

ARCO will continue to encourage its dealers to show restraint in setting prices. The company is also urging motorists to reduce gasoline consumption during the current emergency.

CONTACT: Douglas Elmets, 213-486-3181, or Albert Greenstein, 213-486-3384
both of ARCO

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#90232p7036 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - National Realty L.P. (AMEX: NLP) today announced operating results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, net income was $9.7 million, or $1.11 per share, on revenues of $24.2 million, compared with a net loss of $5.3 million, or 58 cents per share, on revenues of $23.8 million in the second quarter of the prior year.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, net income was $10.3 million, or $1.17 per share, on revenues of $49 million, compared with net loss of $4.2 million, or 46 cents per share, on revenues of $47.8 million in the first half of 1989.

Rental income increased $1.1 million to $45.6 million in the first half of 1990, compared with $44.5 million recorded in 1989's first six months because of higher occupancy rates at the properties. The partnership sold one property during 1990's second quarter for $7.8 million, resulting in a gain of $4.8 million. In addition, deferred gains of $10.6 million relating to the previously-announced sale of two properties in the first quarter of 1990 were recognized in the second quarter.

National Realty L.P. is a national real estate investment partnership engaged in the acquisition, financing, operation, and sale of real estate and real estate assets. The limited partners' ownership represents 98 percent of the total partnership.

NATIONAL REALTY L.P.
Financial highlights
(in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	Three months ended June 30,		Six months ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$24,181	$23,780	$48,951	$47,824
Net Income (Loss)	$ 9,743	$(5,314)	$10,284	$(4,242)
Per Share	$ 1.11	$ (0.58)	$ 1.17	$ (0.46)
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	8,626,534	8,906,434	8,627,020	8,906,434

CONTACT: Jean Bono of National Realty L.P., 214-692-4700

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#90232p7040 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES PLAINES, IL (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - DeSoto, Inc. (NYSE: DSO), announced today that it had extended to Sept. 14, 1990, subject to further extension, the date for distribution of certificates for DeSoto's shareholder rights. Certificates had previously been scheduled for distribution on Aug. 20, 1990.

CONTACT: William L. Lamey Jr. of DeSoto, 708-391-9020; or Dean Dranias, 312-266-7800, or Kathleen Phelan, 212-661-8030, both of the Financial Relations Board, for DeSoto

-30- 639

#90232p7041 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODBURY, NY (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Millfeld Trading Company, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SHOE; NASDAQ: SHOEW) today announced operating results for the quarter and six months ended July 31, 1990. Net income for the three months ended July 31 increased 110 percent to $860,643 compared to $410,724 for the same period last year. Net income for the six months ended July 31 increased 116 percent to $1,101,175 compared to $510,018 for the 1989 period.

Millfeld also reported increases in sales of 65 percent for the quarter and 43 percent for the six months compared to the 1989 periods. Millfeld's new Team Sport Footwear line introduced in the second half of last year accounted for sales of $3,380,133 for the quarter and $4,236,607 for the six months compared to no sales for the comparable periods last year. Millfeld's recently acquired subsidiary, Bright Star Footwear, Inc., generated 10 percent of the total revenues for the quarter, but results include Bright Star only from June 1 through July 31, 1990.

Commenting on the results, Barry Feldstein, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The momentum of the Team Sport Footwear line continues to build. Together with our newly added Bright Star line and continued growth in our traditional lines, we believe this will be a banner year for Millfeld."

Primary earnings per share were 22 cents for the quarter on 3,835,371 weighted average shares outstanding and 32 cents for the six months on 3,482,605 weighted average shares outstanding after the company's initial public offering in January and its acquisition of Bright Star in July.

Primary earnings per share for the prior year were 22 cents in the three months and 28 cents in the six months ended July 31, 1989. In both 1989 periods, when the company was privately held, there were 1,850,000 shares outstanding.

Millfeld also announced that it was extending the period of its recent warrant exchange offer to Sept. 30, 1990. Under this offer, warrantholders who exercise their $6 warrants expiring Jan. 31, 1994, before Sept. 30, 1990, will receive one new common share plus one new warrant exercisable at $12.50 per share until July 22, 1992.

Millfeld Trading Company, Inc. designs, markets and distributes a wide variety of footwear including a product line bearing the "No Excuses" label and the recently introduced Team Sport Footwear line bearing the logos of various professional and college sports teams.

Bright Star Footwear, Inc. designs, markets and distributes a wide variety of workboots, hiking shoes and men's leisure shoes.

MILLFELD TRADING COMPANY, INC.
Consolidated Income Statement

Quarter ended July 31:	1990	Pct.	1989	Pct.
Revenues:				
Landed sales	$11,917,227	100.0	$7,199,024	100.0
Total commission income	1,289,832	10.8	553,610	7.7
Total gross profit	3,231,543	27.1	1,726,860	24.0
Net income before taxes	1,293,584	10.8	677,974	9.4
Net income	860,643	7.2	410,724	5.7
Earnings per share-primary:				
Weighted average shares	3,835,371		1,850,000	
Earnings per share	$0.22		$0.22	
Earns. per share-fully diluted:				
Weighted average shares	4,050,955		1,850,000	
Earnings per share	$0.21		$0.22	
Six months ended July 31:	1990	Pct.	1989	Pct.
Revenues:				
Landed sales	$20,530,489	100.0	$14,348,992	100.0
Total commission income	1,508,963	7.3	669,840	4.7
Total gross profit	4,904,518	23.9	3,055,128	21.3
Net income before taxes	1,694,116	8.3	844,268	5.9
Net income	1,101,175	5.4	510,018	3.6
Earnings per share-primary:				
Weighted average shares	3,482,605		1,850,000	
Earnings per share	$0.32		$0.28	
Earns. per share-fully diluted:				
Weighted average shares	3,986,851		1,850,000	
Earnings per share	$0.28		$0.28	

CONTACT: Michael Callahan, VP-finance of Millfeld Trading, 516-367-3711, or Warren Cavior or Tim Branton, 212-687-6070, both of the Cavior Organization, for Millfeld Trading

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Honeywell Inc. (NYSE: HON) announced today that Steven G. Rothmeier, president, IAI Capital Group, will serve as chairman of the board of Alliant Techsystems Inc., the company being created to operate Honeywell's Defense and Marine Systems Business. Honeywell expects to obtain final board approval for the spin-off of Alliant in late third quarter 1990. Rothmeier will be a non-executive (non-employee) chairman, whose experience as chairman of a major publicly held company will complement the industry experience of president and chief executive officer Toby Warson and the rest of Alliant Techsystems' management team.

"Steve Rothmeier has a wealth of experience in corporate financial management that will serve Alliant Techsystems well in its launch as an independent, publicly held company," said James J. Renier, Honeywell chairman and chief executive officer. "Toby Warson and his staff have outstanding industry and general management experience. Their access to Steve Rothmeier and the rest of the board that will be selected will assure a smooth transition from operating as a division to operating as a Fortune 300 company."

Rothmeier served as chairman and chief executive officer of NWA, Inc. and Northwest Airlines, Inc. from 1985 to 1989. He joined IAI Capital Group as president in 1989. In addition, Rothmeier serves as a director of Minnesota Mutual Life Insurance Company and a director of Honeywell Inc. He is a trustee of the University of Chicago; an advisor to the Metropolitan Economic Development Association; member of the council on the Graduate School of Business, University of Chicago; director of the United Way of St. Paul; and chairman of the St. Agnes Foundation in St. Paul.

After completion of the spin-off, Alliant Techsystems will be the 17th largest direct supplier to the U.S. Department of Defense and the eighth largest publicly held industrial corporation in Minnesota, employing approximately 8,300 people located principally in Minnesota, Illinois, Washington, Colorado, Maryland, California and Hawaii.

Honeywell is a global controls company that provides products, systems and services for homes and buildings, industry, and aviation and space. The company had 1989 sales of $6.1 billion.

-0- 8/20/90 /CONTACT: Kathy Tunheim for Honeywell, 612-870-6730/ (HON) CO: Honeywell Inc.; Alliant Techsystems Inc. ST: Minnesota IN: SU: PER

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LOWELL, MASS. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Wang Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: WAN) today confirmed that it had concluded the sale of Intecom Inc., a leading supplier of mid-range and high-end PBX systems, to Matra Communication, the telecommunications subsidiary of Matra S.A. of Paris, France.

Intecom will continue operations under the same name as a subsidiary of Matra Communication. It will be headed by its current president and chief executive officer, Thomas R. Mayer.

Wang will use the proceeds from the sale to further reduce debt.

CONTACT: Gail Jackson, 508-967-4144 or Ed Pignone, 508-967-1090, both of Wang Labs

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Turner Construction Company has begun construction of a new newspaper production facility in Worcester, Mass., for the Chronicle Publishing Company, the Turner Corporation (AMEX: TUR), America's leading general builder, announced today.

Turner's Boston office started construction today on the two-story newspaper facility. The 71,000-square-foot building will house new start-of-the-art presses and production equipment and includes renovation of an existing, adjoining warehouse building. Turner has also managed pre-construction services for the project.

"We are particularly pleased to be handling this project for The Chronicle Publishing Company," commented Donald R. Kerstetter, group vice president in charge of Turner's East Coast operations. "It is directly in keeping with our strategic goals to continue serving the important industrial market segment."

Based in New York City, The Turner Corporation, through Turner Construction Company and other construction subsidiaries, is the nation's largest builder of commercial, industrial, hospital and healthcare, institutional, government building and multi-unit housing projects. Operating through more than 35 offices, Turner has construction projects underway throughout the United States and abroad.

During 1989, The Turner Corporation completed $3.6 billion of construction.

CONTACT: Beverly A. Benn of the Turner Corporation, 212-878-0498.

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WILLOW GROVE, PA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - After a period of careful evaluation, Nutri/System Inc. today announced the selection of Manning, Selvage & Lee as its agency to handle marketing public relations programs on a national basis.

Lesnik Public Relations in Chicago will continue to handle all public affairs and other public relations-related activities.

An extensive agency search began with an analysis of top agencies and ended with the review of Manning, Selvage & Lee and Ogilvy & Mather, both of New York; Golin/Harris and Lesnik Public Relations of Chicago, and the Tierney Group of Philadelphia.

According to James Kemper Millard, vice president of communications for Nutri/System Inc., "The fact that five excellent agencies presented their business and brought many fine ideas made our choice very difficult."

Added Millard, "Manning, Selvage & Lee best understood the weight loss industry and brought creative ideas that closely matched our objectives. Coupled with a top-notch staff, we believe Manning can give us unsurpassed service."

Under the direction of Monita Buchwald, senior vice president and director of the Manning, Selvage & Lee Health Care Division, the agency will be responsible for the creation and implementation of public relations programs in conjunction with the Nutri/System corporate public relations staff. The agency will be managed by Delphine Carroll, director of public relations for Nutri/System, under the direction of Thym Smith, Nutri/System's newly appointed vice president of public affairs.

Nutri/System Inc. operates or franchises more than 1,750 weight-loss centers in the United States, Canada, Australia and the United Kingdom.

CONTACT: Delphine Carroll of Nutri/System, 215-784-5053

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for August 17, 1990. All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields (30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Week	Year

	Current	Ago	Ago Conventional
15-Year FRM	9.80	9.64	9.84
30-Year FRM	10.08	9.92	10.10
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	10.33	10.17	10.35

10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.

Second Mortgages	9.930	9.760	9.860

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term) Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct	6 pct	9.05	8.95	9.50	2.000 pct
1 (FHA)	1 pct	5 pct	9.30	9.20	9.75	2.000 pct
1(A)	2 pct	6 pct	8.00	7.90	8.55	2.250 pct
6 mos(A) (COF)(B)	1 pct	5 pct	8.10	8.00	8.70	2.125 pct

(A) Rate reduction

(B) New 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM.

Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs. LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
July 30, 1990	8.063	8.047	8.047	8.109
June 28, 1990	8.328	8.375	8.438	8.500

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 8/17/90	Year to Date(D)	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(C)	434.3	14,433.2	12,872.3
Purchases	483.8	14,304.6	11,116.6
MBS Issued	2,947.0	58,973.1	35,219.8

(C) Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

(D) Adjusted for July actuals.

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ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Green Tree Acceptance, Inc. (NYSE PSE: GNT), on Aug. 16, 1990, approved amendments to the Company's Shareholder Rights Plan originally adopted on Oct. 9, 1985. The amendments to the Rights Plan modify the conditions under which the Rights become exercisable.

According to Lawrence M. Coss, Green Tree's Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, the amendments strengthen the ability of the Board of Directors to protect the interest of Green Tree's shareholders in the

event of a takeover, and provide additional incentives to anyone seeking to acquire the Company to negotiate with the Board of Directors prior to attempting a takeover.

As amended, the Rights Plan provides that if any person or group acquires 20 percent or more of Green Tree common stock, each Right not owned by such person or group will entitle its holder to purchase, at the Right's then-current purchase price, Green Tree common stock having a value of twice the Right's purchase price. The Rights would not be triggered, however, if the acquisition of 20 percent or more of Green Tree common stock is pursuant to a tender or exchange offer for all outstanding shares of Green Tree common stock determined by the independent members of the Board of Directors to be fair and in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders. In addition, the Rights may become exercisable if the independent members of the Board of Directors determine that a 10 percent shareholder's interest is likely to have an adverse effect on the long-term interests of the Company and its shareholders. The independent members of the Board of Directors of Green Tree may redeem the Rights at 10 cents per Right at any time prior to the time that the Rights become exercisable.

Green Tree Acceptance purchases, pools, sells and services conditional sales contracts for manufactured homes and home improvements through 42 regional offices. Green Tree's common stock is traded on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol "GNT".

CONTACT: Richard G. Evans of Green Tree Acceptance, 612-293-3400; or John Mackay of Padilla Speer Beardsley, 612-871-8877, for Green Tree Acceptance.

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LAKEWOOD, CO (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Plains Petroleum Co. (Plains) (NYSE: PLP) announced today the expansion and realignment of its legal department to be effective Oct. 1, 1990. Robert A. Miller, Jr. will move to Plains' affiliate, Plains Petroleum Operating Co. (Plains Operating) to become its Vice President of Law.

On Oct. 1, 1990 Eugene A. Lang, Jr. will succeed Miller as Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary for both Plains and its Plains Operating affiliate. For the past four years Lang has served as an associate of the Vinson & Elkins law firm in Houston, specializing in commercial litigation matters. His work experience prior to joining Vinson & Elkins was as attorney, general attorney and assistant corporate secretary for K N Energy Inc. from mid-1978 through mid-1986.

Lang is a 1978 honors graduate from the University of Wyoming College of Law. He is admitted to practice in Colorado, Nebraska, Texas and Wyoming.

CONTACT: James A. Miller of Plains Petroleum Co., 303-969-9325; or Jim Fingeroth or Tracey Stearns both of Kekst and Co. for Plains Petroleum, 212-593-2655

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ATLANTA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - "It's finally dawning on today's leaders that this country's competitive strategy is lopsided. Working up a sweat trying to gain the technological edge over other world powers, we've all but forgotten the potential of the human side of our business," said Dr. J. Clayton Lafferty, CEO of Human Synergistics, Inc., an international consulting firm.

Speaking at the recent National Speaker's Association convention, held in Atlanta, Dr. Lafferty, founder of Human Synergistics, Inc., said: "It's ironic that we've got robots manufacturing everything from toasters to tanks, yet get four American businesspeople together to solve a problem and we're back in the Dark Ages. If we invested as much time and money in improving the performance of our people as we do in building a better mouse trap, we'd become a force to reckon with."

Citing the following as evidence, Lafferty said that American companies are only now discovering what the Japanese learned long ago: that people -- not technology alone or marketing ploys -- are the keys to success in global competition.

Human Synergistics creates and develops training materials and programs which enable individuals and organizational groups to maintain high levels of performance and healthy lifestyles. The latest addition to the company's product line is the Group Styles Inventory, a tool to help members of work teams analyze, understand and improve the way they work together.

Human Synergistics celebrated its 20th anniversary this year. The company is located in Plymouth.

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#90232p7061 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINDSOR LOCKS, CONN. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dexter Corporation (NYSE: DEX) and Evode Group p.l.c. of Stafford, England, announced today that Evode has completed the previously announced purchase of Dexter's polyvinyl chloride (PVC) compounding and extrusion businesses located near Charlotte, N.C., with additional facilities located in Newark, N.J., and

Orlando, Fla.

Evode Group p.l.c. is a specialty chemicals company engaged in the manufacture of adhesives and sealants, insulation materials, industrial coatings and plastics, serving the aerospace, automotive, building, construction and general industrial markets.

The Dexter Corporation is a Fortune 500 company providing specialty materials and services to six major markets: aerospace, automotive, electronics, food packaging, industrial assembly and finishing, and medical. Founded in 1767, Dexter is the oldest company listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Consolidated net sales and earnings for 1989 were $849 million and $43 million, respectively.

CONTACT: Robert E. McGill, 203-627-9051, or Ellen M. Cook, 203-627-9051, both of Dexter; or Kevin Costello of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Dexter

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#90232p7064 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Mid-America Energy Resources Inc., a new subsidiary of Indianapolis-based IPALCO Enterprises Inc. (NYSE: IPL), today announced its plans to construct and operate a multi- phase district cooling system, with $20 million committed to the first two construction phases.

The system will offer buildings in downtown Indianapolis a reliable, centralized source of low-cost air conditioning. Construction of Mid-America Energy Resources' district cooling plant is now under way. Mid-America Energy Resources plans to begin service to its first district cooling customer, the State Office Building I, by spring 1991.

The district cooling system will use steam purchased from Indianapolis Power & Light Co. to power its chillers. Some of this steam will originate from the Indianapolis Resource Recovery Facility (IRRF), which recycles trash into steam, and in effect, will result in increased revenues to the city of Indianapolis. IPL currently holds a 20-year contract to purchase steam from the IRRF.

In early August this year, Mid-America Energy Resources obtained a 25-year franchise from the city to sell district cooling for air conditioning to downtown buildings. The city is expected to receive approximately $17.5 million in franchise fees from Mid-America Energy Resources over the term of the franchise agreement.

The technology for district cooling has been successfully employed in several U.S. cities including Minneapolis, Minn. and Hartford, Conn.

Officials of IPALCO Enterprises formed Mid-America Energy Resources Inc. in November 1989 after determining a strong potential market for a district cooling business in downtown Indianapolis.

Mid-America Energy Resources' district cooling system will use steam-turbine-driven chillers to produce chilled water at a central plant. The chilled water will then be distributed to customers' downtown buildings through a system of underground pipes. From the supply pipe, the water will be circulated through each building's cooling system, then returned to the central cooling plant to be rechilled and recirculated.

Mid-America Energy Resources Inc. is a division of Mid-America Capital Resources Inc. -- a subsidiary of IPALCO Enterprises Inc. Other holdings of IPALCO Enterprises Inc. include Indianapolis Power & Light Co., serving commercial, industrial and residential electric customers primarily in Indianapolis.

CONTACT: Jan E. Lower (media), 317-261-8449, or Max Califar (investors), 317-261-8250, both for Mid-America Energy Resources Inc.

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#90232p7065 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALO ALTO, CA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Lincoln N.C. Realty Fund Inc. (AMEX: LRF) (LNCRF) today reported a net loss of $544,098 or 27 cents per share, on revenues of $656,286 for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1,278,939 or 64 cents per share, on revenues of $2,041,564 for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, LNCRF reported a net loss of $164,623 or 8 cents per share on revenues of $494,595, as compared with net income of $654,615, or 33 cents per share, on revenues of $1,048,941 for the three months ended June 30, 1989.

William F. Garlock, president of LNCRF, stated that income for the second quarter of 1990 reflects the reclassification of LNCRF's Lincoln Wrigley Creek investment from a loan to rental property. The income from this investment was classified as deferred income in the first quarter of 1990. The income being received from the Lincoln Rancho Bernardo investment continues to be classified as deferred income and is not reflected in the net income figures reported. However, the income received from the Lincoln Rancho Bernardo investment will be available for payment of dividends.

Lincoln N.C. Realty Fund Inc. is a real estate investment trust. Its securities are listed on the American and Pacific stock exchanges.

CONTACT: William F. Garlock of Lincoln N.C. Realty Fund, 415-329-8867.

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NORTH CHICAGO (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Fansteel Inc. (NYSE: FNL) announced today that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of the company's $2.50 par value common stock in the amount of $0.15 per share, payable Sept. 14, 1990 to stockholders of record as of the close of business on Sept. 4, 1990.

Fansteel is an integrated producer of aircraft/aerospace, metalworking and energy-related products.

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STAMFORD, CT. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - VIMRx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (NASDAQ: VMRX) today announced that the NIH, through the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), has agreed to sponsor and administer the Phase I human clinical trials of Hypericin in AIDS patients. The Phase I trials, which are anticipated to commence in the fall will be conducted on patients infected with the AIDS virus to determine the maximum tolerated dose and any side effects of Hypericin, an innovative and promising anti-viral drug.

Hypericin has demonstrated anti-viral and anti-retroviral properties in laboratory studies. In these studies, Hypericin has interrupted the infectious cycle of HIV, the retrovirus responsible for AIDS, by inhibiting HIV replication and infection of normal cells.

The company's president, Richard F. Maradie, said the trials will be conducted by the AIDS Clinical Trials Group (ACTG) of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. The NIAID will fund the ACTG clinical sites for the planning, management, and analysis of these trials. VIMRx will be responsible for the supply of the drug.

VIMRx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is a company engaged in the research and development of therapeutic compounds derived from natural substances and specializes in therapeutics for viral and retroviral diseases. The company's immediate focus is on the development and commercialization of Hypericin for AIDS and anti-viral therapy.

CONTACT: Richard F. Maradie, president, or Harry W. McCusker, both of VIMRx Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 203-321-2115

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#90232p7068 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Baroid Corporation (NYSE: BRC) announced today that its board of directors unanimously approved a plan of restructuring whereby the company will separate its petroleum services businesses and titanium metals and bentonite mining businesses into two publicly traded companies.

The company stated that the restructuring will be accomplished through the distribution to its stockholders of all of the outstanding shares of the common stock of the company's wholly-owned subsidiary, New Baroid Corporation. New Baroid Corporation includes Baroid Drilling Fluids, Inc., Sperry-Sun Drilling Services, Inc., Atlas Bradford Corporation and Shaffer, Inc. The distribution will be made on the basis of one share of New Baroid Corporation common stock for each share of the company's common stock held on the record date established for the distribution and is intended to be tax-free. In accordance with the plan, the company will adopt a new name and New Baroid Corporation will change its name to Baroid Corporation.

The company further stated that, as of June 30, 1990, the total assets, long-term debt and stockholders' equity attributable to the petroleum services businesses (New Baroid Corporation) on a pro-forma basis approximated $566 million, $154 million and $252 million, respectively. In connection with the restructuring, New Baroid Corporation is negotiating with a group of commercial banks for a new $200 million credit facility. Pursuant to the plan, New Baroid Corporation will distribute $100 million of the proceeds of the credit facility to the company prior to the distribution of New Baroid stock and will use approximately $50 million of the remaining proceeds to repay outstanding indebtedness under its prior bank credit agreements.

After the restructuring, the company's operations will consist primarily of its titanium metals business, which will be owned and operated by the company's indirectly wholly-owned subsidiary, Titanium Metals Corporation, and its bentonite mining business, which will be owned and operated by a new wholly-owned subsidiary, Bentonite Corporation. According to the company, as of June 30, 1990, the total assets, long-term debt and stockholders' equity attributable to the company's retained operations on a pro-forma basis approximated $289 million, $15 million and $215 million, respectively.

The company stated that the plan is subject to several conditions, including New Baroid's ability to finalize the credit facility described above, completion of satisfactory documentation and legal compliance. The plan, which is not subject to approval by the company's stockholders, is

expected to be completed by early October.

It is anticipated that both the new Baroid Corporation and the company common stock will be listed on the New York Stock Exchange. On the distribution date the company will deliver to stockholders an information statement and stock certificates of New Baroid representing a number of shares equal to the number of shares of company common stock which is currently held.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - After selling out stadiums in Australia, New Zealand, Japan and Europe, rock star and Grammy nominee Richard Marx continues the United States leg of his "Repeat Offender" world tour Tuesday, Aug. 21, in Philadelphia.

The nine-month, 120-concert tour will bring Marx to major arenas in more than 80 cities and on college campuses across the country. The tour includes a sweepstakes contest, with the grand prize winner joining Marx in Hawaii for the concert finale, Aug. 31.

AT&T will sponsor the "Repeat Offender" tour, the first such promotion for the telecommunications company.

"Our objective is clear and simple," said Donna Alexander, AT&T public relations manager. "We want to develop a contemporary image for AT&T.

"We selected Richard Marx because of his charismatic rock 'n roll image. The majority of his fans are in the 18- to 24-year-old age bracket, but his music is enjoyed by a broad range of listeners -- from pre-teens to 40-somethings."

"AT&T is the symbol of communication no matter where you are in the world " said Marx. "Since I look at music as a major form of communication, it became obvious that we would be a good team."

Marx's success continues to escalate as he moves into a new year and new decade. On the charts for 34 weeks since its release last May, the "Repeat Offender" album has sold more than 5 million copies and has remained in the Top 20 of the Billboard chart. In addition, the album has thus far yielded two No. 1 hit singles, "Satisfied" and "Right Here Waiting," and a Top 5 single, "Angelia."

A fourth single, "Too Late to Say Goodbye," from "Repeat Offender" has just been released. Following his concert in Philadelphia, Marx will take

the "Repeat Offender" tour to Merrillville, Ind., Thursday, Aug. 23.

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Mitchell Schneider of Levine/Schneider, 213-659-6400

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#90232p7077 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - LSB Industries Inc. (AMEX: LSB) today reported operating results for the three months and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Total revenues, including interest income and sales for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $69,339,000 compared to $69,734,000 for the same period in 1989.

Net loss for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, was $1,365,000 as a result of the company's Financial Services Business recording a $3,200,000 increase to reserves for losses on loans and real estate. In the comparable quarter ended June 30, 1989 the company reported net income of $1,298,000.

After adjustment for dividends on outstanding preferred stocks of the company, net loss applicable to common stock was $1,866,000 or 34 cents per share for the 1990 quarter compared to net income applicable to common stock of $803,000 or $.11 per share for the 1989 quarter.

Total revenues, including interest income and sales for the six months ended June 30, 1990 were $130,800,000 compared to $135,222,000 for the same period in 1989.

Net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $3,151,000. The loss is attributable primarily to the company's Financial Services Business recording a $3,200,000 increase to the reserve for losses on loans and real estate and a net loss of $2,035,000 realized on certain mortgage-backed securities. In the comparable six months ended June 30, 1989 the company reported net income of $2,767,000.

LSB is a diversified company engaged in a variety of manufacturing, engineering, marketing and financial service activities on a world wide basis. LSB's principal business activities consist of the manufacture and sale of chemical products, commercial air conditioning products, automotive and industrial products and more recently the financial services business which was formed through acquisitions in 1988. LSB's common stock, debentures and preferred stock are listed for trading on the American Stock Exchange.

LSB Industries Inc. Notes to Unaudited Financial Highlights Six Months

Ended June 30, 1990 and 1989.

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#90232p7078 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MICH. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobson Stores Inc. (OTC: JCBS) today reported sales for the second quarter ended July 28, 1990, increased from $85,850,000 to $88,285,000, up 3 percent. Net loss for the quarter was $2,856,000 or 49 cents per share compared to a net loss of $632,000 or 11 cents per share in the prior year.

Sales for the 26 weeks ended July 28 increased from $172,273,000 to $178,227,000, up 3-1/2 percent. Net loss for the six months was $1,725,000 or 30 cents per share compared to net earnings of $1,445,000 or 25 cents per share for the same period last year.

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JACOBSON STORES INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share data)

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Provision (credit) for income taxes	(1,407)	(326)	(850)	744
Net earnings (loss)	(2,856)	(632)	(1,725)	1,445
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CONTACT: Robert M. Eaton of Jacobson Stores Inc., 517-764-6400

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#90232p7081 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
REDMOND, WA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Bio Technique Laboratories Inc. announced today that it has received U.S. Patent No. 4,946,791 for a unique strain of Lactobacillus acidophilus for use in its Cobactin(R) microbial additive product. The patented strain, BT1386, is the active ingredient in Cobactin which has been sold nationwide since 1985 to the livestock and cattle feedlot industry.

BT1386 was selected by the company for its ability to adhere to gut epithelial tissue and to survive in ruminants digestive systems. In developing the microbial feed additive product, Bio Techniques conducted extensive University and feedlot trials that demonstrated significant increases in live weight gain and overall feed conversion efficiency.

"This patent represents a milestone in Cobactin history," said Bill St. John, president of Bio Techiques. "Cobactin microbial feed additive is currently used in the daily feed rations of over 15 percent of the major U.S. feedlots, and we look forward to increased sales with the patented formula."

Bio Techniques, founded in 1983, researches, develops, manufactures and markets advanced products for the agricultural industry.

CONTACT: William D. St. John or Patricia A. Brooks of Bio Techniques Laboratories Inc., 206-883-9518

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#90232p7083 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
HARAHAN, LA. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Wiener Enterprises Inc. (AMEX: WPB) announced that Ward White U.S.A. Holdings Inc., an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Boots Company PLC, a United Kingdom corporation, has entered into a stock purchase agreement dated as of Aug. 16, 1990, pursuant to which Ward White has agreed to sell the 1,035,461 shares (or 44.3 percent of the outstanding shares) of common stock of Wiener held by Ward White.

Consummation of the transactions contemplated by the stock purchase agreement is subject to the satisfaction or waiver of certain conditions. The stock purchase agreement shall terminate on Sept. 11 if the transactions contemplated thereby have not been consummated on or before such date. There can be no assurance that such transactions will be consummated.

Wiener Enterprises Inc. also announced today that on Aug. 15, 1990, it entered into a definitive agreement for the restructuring of its $5.4

million of long-term debt. Among other terms provided for in the new agreement, the company's periodic principal payment obligations are reduced, and the long-term debt holder is granted additional security by the company. Also on Aug. 15, the company entered into a definitive agreement pursuant to which its working capital and letter of credit facilities have been reinstituted for a six-month period under revised terms and conditions, including a reduction in the aggregate amount of such facilities, which have been secured by the company.

CONTACT: Michael Doherty of Wiener Enterprises, 504-733-7055

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#90232p7087 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Waterhouse Investor Services, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: WHOO) today announced that it's employee stock option plan and a few employees purchased 152,607 shares of its common stock in a block trade from an institutional holder.

CONTACT: Lawrence M. Waterhouse, Jr., chairman of the board of Waterhouse Investor Services, 212-344-7500

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#90232p7090 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - S. James Coppersmith, vice president and general manager of WCVB-TV, Channel 5 in Boston, has been named president of WCVB-TV, it was announced today by John G. Conomikes, a vice president of The Hearst Corporation and general manager of Hearst Broadcasting. Coppersmith will continue his responsibilities as general manager.

"This new title is well-deserved acknowledgement of the leadership Jim Coppersmith has provided in making WCVB-TV the most honored television station in the nation," Conomikes said. "Under Jim's direction, WCVB-TV has, among many other achievements, produced major dramas for national broadcast, created a national version of its award-winning 'Chronicle' newsmagazine program for the Arts & Entertainment Network, expanded local news programming to 26 hours per week, and won more than 120 local Emmys along with many Peabodys, Gabriels, and a host of other awards. All the while, he has managed to be personally involved in important community and national organizations, such as Muscular Dystrophy and The United Way.

"This title is also intended to recognize the personal commitment to excellence that Jim has inspired in his staff." Conomikes added, "Because of that commitment, excellence and WCVB are synonymous."

During Coppersmith's tenure as general manager at WCVB-TV, the station has pioneered extensive public service campaigns focusing on individual social

problems. Several years ago, WCVB created "A World of Difference," a three-year examination of prejudice that incorporated extensive original programming and numerous special events. "A World of Difference" has subsequently been adapted by TV stations across the country.

Coppersmith joined WCVB-TV as general manager in 1982, when it was owned by Metromedia. The station was acquired by Hearst in March 1986. His career in television extends back to 1965 when he joined the Metromedia station in Washington, D.C., WTTG-TV. He has also worked as general sales manager at KTTV Los Angeles, and at WNEW-TV, New York, and and general manager of WNAC-TV, Boston, and WTOG-TV, Tampa, Fla. He is the recipient of many industry awards including the Massachusetts Broadcasters Association "Broadcaster of the Year." Coppersmith and his wife, Jan, have two children, Scott and Cathy. They reside in Marblehead, Mass.

CONTACT: Burt Peretsky or Ethel Shepard of WCVB-TV, 617-449-0400

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#90232p7092 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Hess's Department Stores and Crown American Corp., Hess's parent company, announced that Irwin Greenberg has decided to retire as president of the retail chain.

His retirement, which is effective immediately, concludes a distinguished career in retailing that has spanned 34 years. For the past 14 years, Greenberg has been president of Hess's. Although he will no longer direct the company's daily operations, Greenberg will continue to serve Hess's as a consultant. He will be a member of the search committee that will select his successor.

Walter K. Levy and Robert E. Kerson Associates Inc. of New York City has been selected to conduct the search.

Frank J. Pasquerilla, chairman and chief executive officer of Crown American Corp., announced that Stephen Furst has been appointed acting president of Hess's.

In announcing his retirement, Greenberg said he has achieved all of the goals he set for himself over his career and felt it was time to step aside. He said Hess's is primed to step into the new decade with tremendous vim and vigor and that its aggressive retail philosophy will enable Hess's to succeed in the highly competitive retail marketplace.

"For the past 10 years, Irwin Greenberg has guided Hess's growth from a regional department store chain to one of the nation's leading retailers. He has been a valuable member of Crown's board of directors and has played an instrumental role in Crown American's growth to a $1.3 billion

corporation," Pasquerilla said.

Hess's currently operates 75 stores in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Tennessee, Georgia, Kentucky, Indiana and North Carolina.

Hess's is a wholly owned subsidiary of Crown American Corp., which is currently recognized as one of the nation's leading shopping mall developers. Crown American is headquartered in Johnstown, Pa.

CONTACT: Wayne Holben of Hess's, 215-821-5221; or Christine Menna of Crown American, 814-536-9529

-30- 2201

#90232p7093 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER, CO (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Coral Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: COCI) today reported results for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The company had a net loss of $870,166 or five cents per share on revenues of $1,014,738 compared to net income of $314,564 or 2 cents per share on revenues of $2,568,502 for the same period last year. Earnings for the prior year's first quarter included an extraordinary gain of $116,389 or 1 cent per share from utilization of net operating loss carryover.

"Software sales were comparable during the two periods. However, hardware sales declined to about $455,000 from $2,145,000 in the prior year's quarter although each period had only one significant hardware sale " Paul M. Lionti, president and chief executive officer, said. "In addition, we anticipated installing $1 million in hardware for an existing customer during the quarter, but it now seems likely that the equipment will be accepted during the second quarter," he noted.

"Operating expenses climbed to $1,153,000 from $591,000, reflecting continuing investments in product development and increasingly aggressive marketing efforts. We established new sales and technical support offices in Dallas and Philadelphia, hired and trained additional technical personnel for existing offices and initiated activities at our newly established Coral Pacific division that will market UNIX-based off-the-shelf software," Lionti explained.

"We believe we now are well positioned to generate profitable growth in the future," he concluded.

CORAL COMPANIES, INC.

Financial Highlights (Unaudited)

Three months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,014,738	$2,568,502

Income (loss) before extraordinary item		(870,166)	198,175
Extraordinary item -- utilization of net operating loss carryover		--	116,389
Net income (loss)		(870,166)	314,564
Income (loss) per share:			
Before extraordinary item		($.05)	$.01
Extraordinary item		--	$.01
Net income (loss)		($.05)	$.02
Wtd. avg. shares outstand.	18,923,881	14,973,571	

CONTACT: Paul Lionti of Coral Companies, 303-820-3000, or Hal LeVay of Porter, LeVay & Rose, 212-564-4700, for Coral Companies

-30- 2682

#90232p7094 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINSTON-SALEM, NC (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Integon announced today that James R. Ridley has resigned from the company, effective September 28. Ridley had served as the company's chairman, president and chief executive officer. He joined the company in 1976. The company also announced the election of a new slate of senior officers.

Ridley, who is 62, noted in his announcement to officers and employees that with the completion of the sale, Integon closes the chapter on a very challenging decade and prepares to open a new one as it launches plans for the decade of the 1990s and beyond.

Earlier this month, substantially all of the assets of Integon Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ITGN) were acquired by investors Jupiter Industries, Inc. and Head Insurance Investors L.P.

James T. Lambie has been elected a director and executive vice president of Integon Corporation, responsible for property and casualty insurance and legal operations, and Joe D. Heusi has joined Integon as a director and executive vice president, responsible for life insurance, finance and administrative operations and for Integon's west coast life insurance and annuity marketing subsidiary, Marketing One, Inc.

Lambie had been a senior vice president of the corporation since 1983 and will continue to serve as president and chief executive officer of Integon's property and casualty insurance companies and as general counsel to the corporation.

Heusi has more than 20 years' experience in insurance sales and management, including service as president and chief executive officer of Maryland Casualty Company in Baltimore and the Variable Annuity Life Insurance

Company in Houston.

Lambie and Heusi will join Integon's eight person Board of Directors, which includes six member representatives from the purchasers. Edward W. Ross of Jupiter Industries, Inc. and Candace L. straight of Head Insurance Investors L.P. will serve as Integon's board chairman and president, respectively.

Jerry C. Stovall has been named senior vice president of the holding company and chief executive officer of the company's Integon Life Insurance Corporation and Georgia International Life Insurance Company subsidiaries. Stovall continues as president of both life insurance subsidiaries. Stovall has a 35-year background in life insurance and a 12-year association with Integon.

Michael W. Cunningham has been elected senior vice president and chief financial officer of the holding company and continues his responsibilities for finance and administrative services. Cunningham joined the company in 1983 as vice president and corporate controller.

Stovall, Cunningham and C. Paul Patsis who will continue as chairman, president and chief executive officer of Marketing One., Inc. will report to Heusi.

Integon markets a diversified line of life insurance, annuities and property and casualty insurance in 46 states and the District of Columbia. All of Integon's insurance companies are rated "A Excellent" by A. M. Best Company, the insurance industry's independent financial analysts.

CONTACT: Turner Coley, CLU, Integon Corporation, (919) 770-2276.

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#90232p7095 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Frank J. Pasquerilla, chairman and chief executive officer of Crown American Corp., Hess's parent company, announced the appointment of Stephen J. Furst as acting president of Hess's Department Stores.

Furst replaces Irwin Greenberg, who announced his retirement today. Pasquerilla also announced the appointment of Kenneth A. Hinkle II as acting chief financial officer. Furst and Hinkle will lead a transition that will manage Hess's until a search committee makes its recommendation for a new senior management structure.

Commenting on Hess's overall strength, Pasquerilla said the department store chain is well positioned to compete in a highly competitive and contracting retail marketplace.

Crown American retained the services of an outside consultant to review all of Hess's operations and prepare the chain to face the challenges of the '90s. One of the recommendations that will be implemented immediately is an increase in the size of its management team. The company is establishing a strategic research and marketing group, and an internal legal department. It will also enhance the real estate department so that it can take advantage of opportunities in the marketplace and expand its merchandising capabilities.

Furst and Hinkle will assume their respective responsibilities immediately.

Furst has been with Hess's for nearly 30 years. He joined the retailer in 1961 and was named divisional merchandise manager of fashion accessories in 1964. In 1966, he was appointed director of customer service. Furst was named assistant vice president and director of personnel in 1969 and three years later senior vice president of consumer and co-worker relations. In 1976, he was appointed assistant secretary and treasurer. Furst was named senior vice president of operation and appointed to the Crown American board of directors in 1982.

Founded in 1950 as a small masonry contractor, Crown American has grown to become one of the largest shopping mall developers in the nation with assets in excess of $1.3 billion. In its January 1990 issue, Monitor magazine for the second consecutive year listed Crown American as the most active mall developer over the past three years.

Crown American properties include 33 shopping malls, 13 community shopping centers, 21 hotels, five office buildings and 75 Hess's department stores. They span the states of Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Kentucky, Indiana and Tennessee.

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#90232p7096 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. (NYSE: MER) today said that Senior Vice President William W. Moore, at his request, will relinquish, effective Jan. 1, 1991, his responsibilities as director municipal markets. This will permit Moore to focus his efforts in his desired role of maintaining key client relationships in a senior banker capacity.

Moore will be succeeded by John D. Miller, currently manager of the public finance group within municipal markets. Miller has specialized in

municipal finance since he joined the firm in 1971. He previously served as a manager of Merrill Lynch's municipal finance department and the municipal utilities department.

Moore came to Merrill Lynch in 1972 as a vice president of what is now Merrill Lynch Hubbard where he headed the Ginnie Mae, health care and mortgage banking departments. He became a managing director of Merrill Lynch Investment Banking, managing the federal finance and municipal finance departments. In 1982, he was promoted to manager of the public finance group, and in March 1986 he assumed his present position as director of Municipal Markets. Moore, a 12-year veteran of the municipal bond industry, has been a chief architect of Merrill Lynch's leadership position in the municipal finance business over the past decade.

Said global debt markets division Senior Vice President Roger M. Vasey: "We are delighted that Bill is going to continue with us in a senior banker capacity where he can devote his full attention to the needs of our key clients."

Added William A. Schreyer, chairman and chief executive officer: "Ten years ago Bill Moore told me that Merrill Lynch could become a dominant factor in the municipal business, and he was right."

Prior to joining Merrill Lynch in 1971, Miller served two years with the United States Army in active military duty in Vietnam. He graduated as a Fels Scholar from the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce with a Master's degree in state and local government administration and finance.

Succeeding Miller as manager of the public finance group will be Marsha Eisenberg, a managing director who has recently served as manager of the southern region. Eisenberg has been a member of the public finance group since she joined Merrill Lynch in 1980. Eisenberg has a bachelor's degree from Emerson College and a master's degree in public and private management from Yale University.

CONTACT: Monica Prihoda of Merrill Lynch, 212-449-7293.

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#90232p7102 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Ship Building Company (NYSE: ABG) today announced its operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990. As anticipated, the third quarter was not strong as a result of continuing start up work on the two TAO class oiler ships for the Naval Sea Systems command of the U.S. Navy. In the third quarter of the current fiscal year, the operating loss was $2.5 million, compared to an operating loss of $1.8 million in the same quarter last year. Revenues in the current quarter totaled $16.1 million, compared

to $13.8 million in the third quarter of fiscal 1989. The net loss in the three months ended June 30, 1990 was $2.2 million, or 33 cents per share. In the same quarter of fiscal 1989, the net loss was $2.0 million or 30 cents per share.

For the fiscal year to date, the company's operating loss was $3.3 million compared to an operating loss of $7.3 million in the same period last year. Revenues for the nine months of this year totaled $51.6 million and revenues for the same period of fiscal 1989 were $50.4 million. The net loss for the nine months of the current year was $3.2 million, or 48 cents per share, while the net loss in the same period of fiscal 1989 was $6.4 million, or $1.02 per share.

The company's subsidiary, Tampa Shipyards Incorporated, was awarded a Navy contract in November 1989 to complete construction, outfitting and testing of two TAO Navy Oilers. Both ships are under construction at the Tampa yard and the company continues to increase its labor force in connection with this contract. Improved operating results are expected in the fourth quarter when revenues on this contract increase. As a part of the nation's military industrial base, the company is aggressively pursuing additional U.S. Navy contracts, submitting bids on two major Navy projects in the past several months.

The American Ship Building Company is a major independent ship construction, conversion and repair business. It has the largest ship repair and construction facilities in Florida and is one of the major barge builders on the inland waterways.

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#90232p7106 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KN (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) today asked the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) to require Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE: KLT) to pay all the costs, now estimated at near $15 million, in connection with KCP&L's unprecedented July 23, 1990, unsolicited tender offer for all KG&E's common and preferred stock.

KG&E said it believes KCP&L alone has "incurred or committed to costs and expenses of over $10 million" on its takeover effort. And, KG&E will be forced to spend at least $4.5 million in connection with the tender offer.

KCP&L has asked the KCC to approve its unsolicited tender offer for KG&E capital stock and the proposed merger of the utilities. KG&E has petitioned to intervene to help determine whether KCP&L's takeover would

be in the public interest.

If for any reason the merger does not take place, "Neither KG&E's customers nor its shareholders should be required to pay the cost incurred by KG&E to evaluate and respond to KCP&L's attack not only on KG&E but also, by implication, on the public interest," KG&E said.

Without commission assessment of costs to KCP&L, KG&E said its "Customers or shareholders would be required to pay enormous amounts to have successfully protected the public interest against the unilateral and hostile attack by KCP&L. Such a result would be inequitable."

KG&E said that if the takeover were to succeed, KCP&L would pay all costs, "directly or indirectly." As part of its decision to attack KG&E, "KCP&L has to have recognized and accepted that fact," the petition states.

CONTACT: Lyle Koerper of Kansas Gas and Electric Company, 316-261-6207.

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#90232p7110 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS, NV (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - On Friday, Aug. 17, Moody's Investors Service lowered Nevada Power Company's (NYSE: NVP) bond rating from A2 to Baa1. Moody's said the lower ratings are a direct result of the company's rapidly rising construction budget. Also cited was lower internal cash flows due to recent rate decreases.

According to Nevada Power Company Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Richard Hyte, explosive customer growth is placing a significant need on the company for increased cash flows. Hyte said, "Funding for heavy construction requirements and increasing customer service costs will need to come, in part, from future rate increases. With understanding and support from customers and regulators, the company will be able to maintain its financial integrity through these critical years of high growth."

Capital outlays increased from $50 million in 1987 to $120 million in 1989. The company's capital budget is expected to increase by 38 percent in 1990, and average $200 million for the next several years. The lower ratings will most likely increase financing costs for the company.

CONTACT: Allison Newlon, 702-367-5216, or (investors) Robyn A. Warsinke, 702-367-5610, both of Nevada Power

-30- 1401

#90232p7118 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRAINTREE, MA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Responding to the announcement by a

dissident slate led by real estate investors Jay H. Shidler and Robert W. Holman Jr. (Shidler/Holman) that they have apparently engaged an additional financial adviser, a spokesperson for Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ: GROS) said, "We believe there is no relevance to the number of financial advisers Shidler/Holman hire. In our view Shidler/Holman are still floundering and have not offered anything attractive to Grossman's stockholders."

The announcement by Shidler/Holman that they have hired an additional financial adviser follows their abandonment last week of a proposal to implement a sale/leaseback deal between themselves and the company.

The company spokesperson reiterated that the Grossman's board of directors is committed to maximizing stockholder value.

Grossman's continues to urge its stockholders to sign and mail the white revocation card now being distributed by Grossman's to its stockholders.

Grossman's, a major retailer of lumber and building materials, operates 156 stores in nine Northeastern states and in California.

CONTACT: Stanley Berman of Grossman's, 617-848-0100, ext. 2350, or Joele Frank of Adams & Rinehart, 212-557-0100, for Grossman's

-30- 1435

#90232p7119 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Dimensional Medicine, Inc. (DMI) (NASDAQ: DMED), a Minneapolis-based developer and marketer of radiology-related systems, today reported operating revenues for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $1,644,826 compared to $1,079,873 in the comparable quarter of 1989.

DMI reported an operating loss of $196,632 for the first quarter compared to $140,197 for the prior year, net loss for the period was $294,174, or $.05 per share compared with a net loss of $168,287, or $.03 per share for the same period last year.

David H. Littlefield, president and CEO, commented, "While the results were below plan, the primary cause was product mix and timing. first quarter activities were heavily driven by hardware upgrades with lower-margin potential and with delays in signing key contracts, particularly in the imaging area, results were disappointing. Although quarter-to-quarter business will remain volatile, we are confident that we have selected the correct strategic direction and that full-year results will demonstrate our growth and profit potential."

Dimensional Medicine, Inc. designs, develops and markets computerized

peripheral equipment and systems to the radiology medical market. The company is headquartered in Minneapolis.

DIMENSIONAL MEDICINE, INC. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Operating revenues	$1,644,826	$1,079,873
Operating costs & expenses	1,841,458	1,220,070
Operating (loss)	(196,632)	(140,197)
Other expenses - net	(97,542)	(28,090)
Net (loss)	$(294,174)	$(168,287)
Net (loss) per share	$(.05)	$(.03)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	6,053,346	6,053,346

CONTACT: Richard May of Dimensional Medicine, 612-938-8280

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#90232p7121 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Systems & Computer Technology Corp. (NASDAQ: SCTC) today announced the purchase of 50,000 shares of its common stock.

SCT will consider additional future repurchases of its stock depending on market conditions and the price of its stock. The company intends to fund this and any future repurchases with available cash.

"We feel that any repurchase of the company's stock is transacted in the best, long-term interest of the company and its valued shareholders," said Michael J. Emmi, chairman and chief executive officer.

SCT is a leading provider of applications software and computing management services for education institutions and government jurisdictions nationwide. The company is headquartered in Malvern.

CONTACT: Wayne D. Eckman of SCT, 215-640-5152

-30- 985

#90232p7123 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

OCALA, FL (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Mid-State Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: MSSB) today announced a loss for the third fiscal quarter ended June 30,1990, of $2,060,000, or $.96 per share. This compares to net income of $26,000, or $.01 per share, for the same period of 1989. For the first nine months ended June 30, 1990, Mid-State Federal reported a loss of $1,471,000, or $.69 per share, compared to net income of $899,000,

or $.43 per share, for the same period of 1989.

Results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, were negatively impacted by a $2,873,000 (pretax) increase in the allowance for possible loan losses and a $572,000 (pretax) charge to earnings to reflect a decrease in the carrying value of real estate owned and real estate in judgment.

Results for the current quarter were positively impacted by an $831,000 (pretax) increase in interest income as a result of an increase in the carrying value of a derivative mortgage security to reflect the recently announced current accounting treatment for such securities. This increase in interest income related to the derivative mortgage security offsets a decrease in interest income of $681,000 during the second quarter which resulted from a change in the estimated prepayment assumption on the mortgage loans underlying the security.

Charles E. Harris, chairman of the board of Mid-State Federal, said the results for the quarter reflected "current weaknesses in the Central Florida real estate market as well as recent regulatory trends encouraging banks and thrifts to maintain stronger loss reserves in light of current economic conditions." Harris said the increased reserves resulted from a management decision to use more stringent criteria in establishing Mid-State Federal's general loss reserves, as well as financial problems experienced by some of the bank's loan customers.

Harris emphasized that Mid-State Federal continues to meet or exceed all of its applicable capital requirements, despite increasing its loss reserves and incurring the reported loss for the quarter.

Noting that the loss reserves maintained by thrift institutions have historically tended to be lower than the reserves maintained by commercial banks, Harris said that Mid-State Federal is attempting to move toward the more conservative reserve methodologies used in the commercial banking industry. However, Harris said that Mid-State Federal's loss reserves do not yet total the levels that would be required by the regulatory standards applied to national banks by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC). At June 30, 1990, Mid-State Federal's allowances for loan and real estate owned losses totaled $4.1 million as compared to $1.7 million at March 31, 1990. Mid-State Federal increased the allowance for loan losses and reduced the carrying values of certain real estate assets during the quarter ended June 30, 1990, by approximately $3.4 million.

Harris said that the additional loss reserves and more stringent reserve methodologies were established following a detailed review of Mid-State Federal's loans and real estate owned which was recently completed by management. Harris noted that the additional reserves related to "customer relationships in Mid-State Federal's primary Florida markets." Harris said that Mid-State Federal does not have any significant

out-of-state lending relationships.

As a result of the proposed acquisition of Mid-State Federal by First Florida Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: FFBK), the OCC recently conducted an examination of Mid-State Federal, as of March 31, 1990, as part of the OCC's consideration of First Florida's application to acquire Mid-State Federal by merging it into First Florida's national bank subsidiary. As a thrift institution, Mid-State Federal is regulated by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) rather than the OCC, which regulates national banks.

Although Mid-State Federal believes that the results of the OCC examination have not been finalized and will not be binding upon Mid-State Federal as an independent thrift institution, the OCC examiners indicated to the management of Mid-State Federal that they believe First Florida, upon acquisition of Mid-State Federal, would require an allowance for loan and real estate owned losses relating to Mid-State Federal's assets of from $5.3 million to $8.6 million as of March 31, 1990. Based upon applying the assumptions and standards believed to have been used in the OCC examination to the loan and real estate owned portfolios of Mid-State Federal as of June 30, 1990, Mid-State Federal believes that the OCC would require First Florida, upon acquisition of Mid-State Federal, to have an allowance for loan and real estate owned losses relating to Mid-State Federal's assets of from $5.1 million to $8.5 million.

If Mid-State Federal were required to maintain the reserves recommended by the OCC, based upon the OCC standards applicable to national banks, Mid-State Federal's allowance for loan and real estate owned losses as of June 30, 1990, would have to be increased by an amount ranging from $1.0 million to $4.4 million. Since the reserves recommended by the OCC were determined under the guidelines of the OCC applicable to national banks which Mid-State Federal believes are not consistent with reserve guidelines generally used in the thrift industry, those additional allowances have not been recorded as of June 30, 1990. Although the OCC does not have the authority to require Mid-State Federal to increase its provisions or allowances for loan and real estate owned losses, the results of the OCC examination could influence the FDIC and OTS and any determination by them as to whether any increases would be required by Mid-State Federal. The FDIC and OTS could also require additional provisions or allowances as a result of any examination of Mid-State Federal by them.

Results for the nine months ended June 30, 1990, included $1,115,000 in income attributable to the receipt and contribution to the bank's employee stock ownership plan (ESOP) of the excess assets from the 1988 termination of the bank's pension plan. The bank will incur an expense, which will be nondeductible for federal income tax purposes, when the excess assets contributed to the ESOP are allocated to the accounts of eligible

employees during future periods.

Mid-State Federal is a publicly held, federally insured and federally chartered stock savings bank with its common stock traded over-the-counter and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "MSSB." With its home office in Ocala, Fla., the thrift has assets of just under $1 billion and operates 26 branch offices within a five county area in west central Florida.

MID-STATE FEDERAL CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATISTICS
Third Fiscal Quarter of 1990
(Dollar amounts in thousands except for per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Total assets	$ 982,706	$ 1,017,017
Loans receivable, net	682,774	674,928
Mortgage-backed securities	172,801	192,199
Investment securities, net	53,186	70,297
Allowance for loan and investment losses	3,323	926
Deposits	855,611	848,358
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	51,500	65,500
Other borrowings	8,749	33,465
Total stockholders' equity	49,045	54,024
Actual shares outstanding	2,065,349	2,062,161
Book value per share	$23.75	$26.20
Range of stock prices during quarter:		
High	$23.25	$17.75
Low	$21.75	$13.25

	Three Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989
Net interest income before provision for loan and investment losses	$ 6,113	$ 4,441
Provision for loan and investment losses	2,873	310
Net interest income	3,240	4,131
Gain on sale of investments, mortgage backed securities, and loans	0	39
Other income	(95)	630
Other expenses	(4,650)	(4,664)
Income (loss) before income taxes	(1,505)	136
Income tax (expense) benefit	(555)	(110)
Net income (loss)	(2,060)	26
Net income (loss) per share	$(0.96)	$0.01
Weighted average shares outstanding (A)	2,140,000	2,062,000

Nine Months Ended

	June 30	
	1990	1989
Net interest income before provision for loan and investment losses	$ 14,923	$ 14,485
Provision for loan and investment losses	3,351	914
Net interest income	11,572	13,571
Gain on sale of investments, mortgage backed securities, and loans	0	81
Other income	1,633	2,308
Other expenses	(14,004)	(14,069)
Income (loss) before income taxes	(799)	1,891
Income tax (expense) benefit	(672)	(992)
Net income (loss)	(1,471)	899
Net income (loss) per share	$(0.69)	$0.43
Weighted average shares outstanding (1)	2,133,000	2,060,000

	Three Months Ended June 30		Nine Months Ended June 30	
Net Interest Rate Spread During:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Weighted average yield on:				
Loans and mortgage-backed securities (pcts.)	10.00 (B)	9.80	9.99	9.69
Investments	7.78	9.11	7.81	9.13
Combined	9.83	9.73	9.82	9.63
Weighted average rates paid on:				
Deposits	7.57	7.84	7.71	7.56
Borrowings	9.22	8.91	9.12	8.83
Combined	7.68	7.94	7.82	7.68
Net interest rate spread (pcts.)	2.15 (B)	1.79	2.00	1.95

NOTE (A) -- The weighted average number of outstanding shares of common stock includes the number of common stock equivalents calculated under the treasury stock method.

NOTE (B) -- Excludes $831,000 increase in carrying value of a derivative mortgage security during the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

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#90232p7124 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIF. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Company, Huntington Beach, ALCOA/Goldsworthy Engineering, Torrance Calif., and the Space Studies Institute, Princeton, N.J., have completed the initial phase of a project to develop solar energy applications on the

lunar surface.

This joint research project effort aimed at supporting President Bush's Space Exploration Initiative (SEI) used reflected sunlight to melt simulated lunar soil (simulant) into glass and glass fibers. During the tests the simulant, which consists of crushed grey basalt, melted into a black liquid at 2200 to 2400 degrees Fahrenheit. Upon cooling, it formed into shiny black glass, and in some cases, flexible fibers.

With additional processing, such strands could be used to create composite materials with eventual use for construction of structures on the Moon. This process could reduce a lunar base's dependence on supplies from Earth and give future explorers greater flexibility as they learn to live on another planetary body.

McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) developed the solar concentrator mirror in the early 1980s to produce electricity for applications on Earth. Now used for the simulant processing project, the mirror can focus 75 kilowatts of the Sun's energy to over 10,000 times its normal intensity. ALCOA is providing several crucibles for containing the simulant while the third project partner, Space Studies Institute, is responsible for obtaining the lunar soil simulant and supplying relevant technical information.

Crucibles must be able to withstand the extremely high temperatures needed to melt the simulant while maintaining purity of the resulting products. In recent experiments, crucible temperatures of over 3000 degrees Fahrenheit have been achieved. Higher levels are possible, but the crucible would then undergo much faster degradation.

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#90232p7126 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MT. KISCO, N.Y. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - New low-cost weekend packages are featured in the TWA Getaway Program.

TWA Getaway's Fall-Winter-Spring Europe 1990/91 brochure, out since early August, introduces four new vacations to last year's highly successful program. Among them are weekend breaks to London and Paris that include roundtrip TWA air, a winter-season U.K. tour that debuted in summer 1990, and a nine-day combination tour of Madrid and Lisbon.

Newly introduced are two five-day, three-night weekend breaks in Paris and London. Available from November through March, the long- weekend, city stays are terrific for shopping, theater-going and fine dining.

Director of Getaway International Lene Hildebrand said "We had expected a strong response to the weekend packages but we did not foresee the overwhelming demand as indicated by early booking levels. The weekend packages are especially popular with group bookings and we have already begun securing additional room inventory."

For the first time, the package price includes roundtrip air fare, and with lead prices of $498 for London and $569 for Paris, they're a remarkable value for the money. Also part of the package: three nights hotel accommodations, roundtrip airport transfers with baggage handling, continental breakfast with juice daily and a half-day guided sightseeing in each city. Two-for-one offers at sightseeing attractions and many restaurants, "Countdown" membership, half-price savings on car rental, and the services of a local hostess round out the weekend package offerings, which should appeal to any traveler looking for a sophisticated short break in Europe.

Another new city break concentrates on the Iberian capitals, offering a nine-day vacation to Libson and Madrid for as little as $399 plus air fare. Clients begin with four nights in the Spanish capital, then fly to Portugal for three nights in Libson. The price includes first class accommodations in both cities, guided sightseeing tours, the services of a Travellers hostess, transfers and "Countdown" discounts, plus half-day excursions to Toledo and Sintra. These cities enjoy a high proportion of mild, sunny days in fall and spring, and rarely see snow in winter -- a definite plus for Americans looking to escape harsh winter climates.

The fourth new vacation is the British Explorer. Introduced in the summer 1990 program, it offers vacationers a choice of escorted tour or escorted tour and a freestyle stay in Great Britain. The complete, 10-day itinerary (starting from just $519 plus air fare) begins with two nights accommodations with continental breakfast in London and includes round-trip airport transfers, half-day guided sightseeing and hostess service before beginning a six-day tour of England and Scotland. The six-day itinerary (starting from $368 plus air fare) does not include a London stay, thereby allowing visitors to make their own arrangements before or after the tour. While on tour, clients travel by private, luxury motorcoach, accompanied by an experienced tour director, and enjoy full English breakfast daily plus dinners in Bath, Chester, Glasgow and York. There is also a free evening in Edinburgh. Sightseeing stops at Stonehenge, Stratford-upon-Avon, Durham and Cambridge, plus a visit to Holyroodhouse Palace in Edinburgh, are included.

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#90232p7140 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Sage Software, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SGSI) has appointed Geoffrey J. Finlay as director European Operations, effective today.

Based in the United Kingdom, Finlay will work directly with Sage's International Business Partners in Europe and will be responsible for Sage Software's marketing, sales, and support activities in Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

Finlay's extensive software management background includes positions with MSA, James Martin & Associates, Coopers and Lybrand, and Data 3. He was formerly with Pansophic Systems as country manager, United Kingdom and as director European sales, Telon. Finlay will report directly to John McAughtry, executive vice president, international operations.

Sage Software, Inc. specializes in software development tools which accelerate the development process. Sage products operate on IBM Mainframes, PCs and Local Area Networks and are available in over 45 countries through International Business Partners. Sage Software's worldwide headquarters are located at 3200 Tower Oaks Blvd. in Rockville, a suburb of Washington.

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#90232p7146 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The International Executive Board of the United Steelworkers of America (USW) today gave unanimous approval to a tentative new labor agreement between the union and the Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp. (NYSE: QWHX), it was announced.

Andrew V. "Lefty" Palm, director of USW District 15 and chairman of the union's Wheeling-Pittsburgh Negotiating Committee, presented details of the agreement to the board.

The settlement, covering 5,500 workers in Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia, was reached Aug. 14 in Pittsburgh.

It must still be approved by the USW members employed by Wheeling-Pitt in a mail ratification vote.

CONTACT: USW Communications Department, 416-397-7127

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#90232p7148 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALO ALTO, CA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Emery Worldwide has informed its customers that it will implement a fuel cost index fee on Sept. 4 to offset the dramatic rise in aviation fuel since the recent Middle East crisis.

Emery Worldwide President Donald G. Berger said the fee will be based on the U.S. Gulf Coast Jet Fuel Index as published on the third Monday of each month. The initial fee will be 4.7 percent of all invoiced transportation charges.

The fee will be adjusted monthly, either up or down, in accordance with the price of jet fuel. It will apply to shipments moving within and between the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico. The fee will not be applied in months when the cost of jet fuel falls to within 5 percent of the price on July 31, 1990.

Rates applicable to the company's urgent envelope and Emery pak shipments are not affected by the fuel index fee.

"This is a temporary fee that is strictly a pass-through of the rapidly rising costs of jet fuel," said Berger. "We are all victims of the Middle East crisis and because of that Emery will make no profit from this fee.

"It is regrettable that the fee is necessary, but our fuel costs have risen 45 percent as compared to the average cost of jet fuel in July," Berger said.

Emery Worldwide is a diversified air freight company specializing in the delivery of urgent envelopes, parcels and heavy freight. It has headquarters in Palo Alto, and freight facilities in 90 countries around the world.

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#90232p7149 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Image Bank, Inc. (NASDAQ: TIBI) today announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990.

Operating results for the fiscal 1989 reporting periods were stated on a pro forma basis to reflect adjustments reducing officers' compensation to amounts prescribed in employment agreements, effective August 1989, and to provide for federal and state income taxes as if the company had not been an S corporation prior to August 1989. Operating results for the fiscal 1989 reporting periods were also restated to reflect the discontinuance of

the company's Art Kane Photo Workshop.

Revenues for the third quarter and nine months were $13,415,000 and $38,318,000, respectively, increases of 34 percent and 46 percent from the same periods in fiscal 1989. Income from continuing operations before income taxes decreased to $197,000 from $476,000 in the third quarter and $821,000 from $937,000 in the nine-month period.

A write-off of $700,000 during the fiscal 1990 third quarter and nine months due to currently non-utilized foreign tax credits resulted in a net loss of $584,000, or $.16 per share, and $188,000, or $.05 per share, respectively, for the reporting periods. This compares with pro forma net income of $151,000, or $.07 per share, and $406,000, or $.18 per share, for the 1989 periods. Weighted average number of shares outstanding for the reported periods were 3,695,000 and 2,246,545, respectively. Although the write-off was required by the generally accepted accounting principles for federal income tax purposes the foreign tax credits may be carried forward for a five-year period.

The Image Bank, a diversified communications company, is the world's leading stock image agency, licensing reproduction rights to professional photographs, illustrations and cinematography for advertising, programming promotional and editorial purposes through its international network of more than 50 offices.

THE IMAGE BANK, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Summary of Operations
(In thousands, except per-share data)

Third quarter ended June 30:	1990	1989
HISTORICAL:		
Revenues	$13,415	$10,001
Income from cont. opers. before inc. taxes	197	476
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(584)	418
Loss from discontinued operations	--	(228)
Net income (loss)	(584)	190
PRO FORMA DATA:		
Pro forma income (loss) from cont. opers.	(584)	255
Pro forma loss from discontinued operations	--	(104)
Pro forma net income (loss)	(584)	151
PRO FORMA PER-SHARE DATA:		
Pro forma income (loss) from cont. opers.	$(.16)	$.11
Pro forma loss from discontinued operations	--	(.04)
Pro forma net income (loss)	(.16)	.07
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,695,000(A)	2,246,545
Nine months ended June 30:	**1990**	**1989**
HISTORICAL:		
Revenues	$38,318	$26,246
Income from cont. opers. before inc. taxes	821	937

Income (loss) from continuing operations	(188)	757
Loss from discontinued operations	--	(407)
Net income (loss)	(188)	350
PRO FORMA DATA:		
Pro forma income (loss) from cont. opers.	(188)	624
Pro forma loss from discontinued opers.	--	(218)
Pro forma net income (loss)	(188)	406
PRO FORMA PER-SHARE DATA:		
Pro forma income (loss) from cont. opers.	$(.05)	$.28
Pro forma loss from discontinued operations	--	(.10)
Pro forma net income (loss)	(.05)	.18
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,695,000(A)	2,246,545

(A) -- The Image Bank successfully completed an initial public offering of 1,495,000 shares in August 1989.

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#90232p7152 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HICKSVILLE, N.Y. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Evergood Products Corporation (OTC: EVGD), today reported a loss of $47,341 ($.02 per share) for the three months ended June 30, 1990, as compared to a profit of $117,955 ($.07 per share) for the three months ended June 30, 1989. The company reported a loss of $235,304 ($.12 per share) for the six months ended June 30, 1990, as compared to a profit of $169,017 ($.11 per share) for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

The results for the six months ended June 30, 1990, include the final effects of the FDA's ban of all L-Tryptophan (LTP) products. The company has reformulated all products that formerly contained LTP and all costs of the recall are reflected in the results of operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

EVERGOOD PRODUCTS CORPORATION

Three Months Ended June 30	1990	1989
Net revenues	$5,015,319	$6,057,723
Cost of goods sold	3,649,408	4,336,737
Total	1,365,911	1,720,986
Selling, general & administrative expenses	1,303,829	1,479,085
Total	62,082	241,901
Other income	18,268	26,943
Other expense - principally interest	(127,691)	(150,889)
Net income (loss)	(47,341)	117,955
PER SHARE DATA		
Net income (loss) per common share and common share equivalents	(.02)	.07

Number of shares used in the computation of net income (loss) per common share	1,933,057	1,600,121
Six Months Ended June 30	1990	1989
Net revenues	$9,573,115	$12,016,740
Cost of goods sold	6,884,722	8,665,762
Total	2,688,393	3,350,978
Selling, general & administrative expenses	2,721,605	2,955,046
Total	(33,212)	395,932
Other income	45,863	63,348
Other expense (principally interest)	(247,955)	(290,263)
Net income (loss)	$ (235,304)	$ 169,017
PER SHARE DATA		
Net income (loss) per common share and common share equivalents	(.12)	.11
Number of shares used in the computation of net income (loss) per common share	1,933,057	1,600,121

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#90232p7153 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting held today (Aug. 20), the board of directors of Old Kent Financial Corporation (OTC: OKEN) declared a quarterly dividend of 26-1/2 cents ($0.265) per share on the corporation's common stock. The dividend is payable Sept. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Aug. 30, 1990.

Old Kent Financial Corporation is a bank holding company headquartered in Grand Rapids, with 17 affiliate banks and 185 banking offices throughout Michigan, and four banks with 12 banking offices in Illinois. Old Kent reported assets of $8.1 billion at June 30, 1990.

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#90232p7154 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALPHARETTA, GA (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Communications Associates Inc. (DCA) (NYSE: DCA) today announced that it has sold its Digital Transmission Systems Inc. (DTS) subsidiary to a private buyer.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed. DTS, a manufacturer of wide area networking products based in Duluth, Ga., was acquired by DCA in December 1988. Following the sale of DCA's other wide area networking operations to Racal Electronics Plc in the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1989,

DCA wrote off the assets and liabilities of and established certain reserves for DTS since DTS no longer fit with DCA's concentration on personal computer (PC) communications products.

Based 30 miles north of Atlanta, DCA designs, manufactures and markets products for PC networking environments that enhance productivity for PC users.

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#90232p7165 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Comprehensive Care Corp. (NYSE: CMP) today announced that the Shareholders Committee to Rejuvenate CompCare had tendered written consents to remove the company's current directors and to replace the directors with its nominees. The tendered consents were effective as of 4:30 p.m., EDT, Aug. 19, 1990.

The company has appointed The Corporation Trust Co. as the inspector of election and is in the process of delivering the consents, as well as the revocations and proxies solicited by the company, to the inspector.

The company believes, based upon its preliminary review, that the Shareholders Committee has tendered sufficient consents to remove the current directors and to elect at least a majority of the new directors. The inspector has advised the company that it expects to complete its review by the close of business on Aug. 22, 1990.

The company also announced that prior to the effectiveness of the tendering of the Shareholders Committee's consents, the company's Board of Directors approved the nomination of the Shareholders Committee nominees and their election by the company's stockholders, subject to the delivery of a sufficient number of effective consents by the Shareholders Committee. The Board has also directed that the proxies solicited by the company be voted in favor of the election of W. James Nicol as a director.

Comprehensive Care Corp., based in St. Louis, is a national provider of chemical dependency treatment programs under the service mark "CareUnit" and physical rehabilitation programs under the service mark "RehabCare."

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#90232p7187 08/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - SFFed Corp. (NASDAQ: SFFD) today

released the following financial highlights:

SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
AS OF JULY 31, 1990
(Unaudited)
(000s omitted)

	RATE (Percent)	TOTAL
INTEREST EARNING ASSETS:		
Investments	6.98	$88,911
Real estate loans receivable	10.56	2,692,559
Mortgage-backed securities	9.43	252,701
Consumer and other loans	12.07	152,690
Total	10.44	$3,186,861
INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES:		
Customer deposits:		
Regular passbooks	5.27	44,935
Money market passbooks	6.63	191,226
Demand deposits	6.08	390,275
Jumbo C.D.'s	8.34	366,141
Other C.D.'s	8.23	1,338,477
Wall Street C.D.'s	9.71	99,700
Total Deposits	7.79	2,472,754
Other	9.29	693,588
Impact of hedging activities	0	0
Total	8.11	$3,166,342
Interest bearing liabilities over (under) interest earning assets		$(20,519)

	Maturity/Rate Sensitivity			
	0-6 Months	7-12 Months	1-3 Years	Over 3 Years
INTEREST EARNING ASSETS:				
Investments	88,911	0	0	0
Real estate loans receivable	2,200,649	105,339	103,906	282,665
Mortgage-backed securities	235,071	785	2,896	13,949
Consumer and other loans	86,062	2,381	8,173	56,074
Total	2,610,693	108,505	114,975	352,688
INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES:				
Customer deposits:				
Regular passbooks	2,247	2,134	7,705	32,849
Money market passbooks	9,561	9,083	32,790	139,792
Demand deposits	390,275	0	0	0

Jumbo C.D.'s	225,658	121,768	12,330	6,385
Other C.D.'s	758,673	528,373	71,288	22,143
Wall Street C.D.'s	0	99,700	0	0
Total deposits	1,386,414	761,058	124,113	201,169
Other	437,722	78,872	42,772	134,222
Impact of hedging activities	100,000	0	0	(100,000)
Total	1,924,136	839,930	166,885	235,391
Interest bearing liabilities over (under) interest earning assets	(686,557)	731,425	51,910	(117,297)
Cumulative difference (gap)	(686,557)	44,868	96,778	(20,519)
Cumulative gap as a percentage of interest earning assets	(21.54)	1.41	3.04	(0.64)

	RATE (Percent)
Earning asset yield less interest bearing liability rate	2.33
Interest rate margin on earning assets	2.38
Interest rate margin on total assets	2.23

Over 3 years

OTHER SELECTED DATA:

Total assets	$3,394,596
Ratio of classified assets to total assets (percent)	1.61
Ratio of nonperforming assets to total assets (percent)	1.50

	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE
Loans originated	$ 80,090	557,076
Loans purchased	34	266
Loans sold	11,534	239,218
Mortgage-backed securities purchased	0	0
Mortgage-backed securities sold	0	19,089
Customer deposits, net increase (decrease)	(16,739)	(131,221)

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#90232u0095 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

RADNOR, PA (AUG. 20) UPI - Despite a crooked nose, talk show hostess Kathie Lee Gifford has taken the cake in TV Guide's ''Most Beautiful Woman on TV'' survey.

Nealy 18,000 television viewers voted for the co-host of ''Live With Regis and Kathie Lee,'' who made no bones about stumping on her own behalf in a week-long campaign on her show, the magazine reported Sunday.

The campaign apparently paid off handsomely, as Gifford trounced all other contenders.

The two closest beauties - Jaclyn Smith and Nicollette Sheridan - each got fewer than 4,000 votes, according to the TV Guide telephone survey results printed in the magazine's Aug. 25 issue.

During her push for votes, Gifford appeared with an apple pie topped by an American flag, did cheers for herself, and even brought on her husband, sportscaster Frank Gifford, and their baby son, Cody, the magazine said.

''There is no accounting for my behavior,'' Kathie Lee Gifford told TV Guide. ''I didn't do anything illegal, though.''

Nevertheless, Gifford said she was aghast over her victory.

''Jaclyn, Nicollette Sheridan, Connie Sellecca - these are drop-dead beautiful women,'' she said. ''I have a crooked nose. I have a crooked everything.''

She said her husband didn't even vote for her. Instead, she said, Frank chose Connie Chung.

TV Guide editors said they had no rules prohibiting campaigning.

''Too bad I don't have a TV talk show to wage a campaign,'' a disgruntled Holly Robinson told the magazine. Robinson, who appears on ''21 Jump Street,'' received a scant 674 votes.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - U-S officials have asked the U-N Security Council to approve a draft resolution that that would O-K American and other naval forces in the Persian Gulf region to use enforce the Iraqi embargo. The proposed measure would allow armed forces in the region to use what it termed- ''such minimum force as may be necessary'' to ensure that economic sanctions against Iraq are NOT evaded.

The draft resolution came about after earlier talks among the Security Council's five permanent members. America's Ambassador to the United Nations, Thomas Pickering, said Washington-in his words- ''would like to see the council continue to speak with one voice.'' The U-S-backed

proposal states that the council is- ''gravely alarmed'' that Baghdad has ignored four previous Security Council resolutions regarding iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

A federal judge in Los Angeles Monday said- ''It's time to pay the piper '' as he sentenced a former securities broker who bilked banks and thrifts out of nearly 150-Million dollars. David Feldman received a 15-year prison term and was ordered to pay 70-Millionthousand dollars in restitution. Prosecutors say Feldman oversaw a complex scheme in which some 144-Million dollars in mostly defaulted loans were sold to banks and thrifts.

The Operation PUSH civil rights group met with little success Monday as the group continued its call for a nationwide boycott of the Nike shoe company. PUSH leader Reverend Tyrone Crider led about four-dozen supporters in a protest at the shoe company's headquarters outside Portland. The protesters tried to enter the building, but were turned away by a security guard who said written requests were needed to arrange meetings.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	71	49	.592	-	34-23	37-26	7-3	W-5
New York	68	50	.576	2	40-22	28-28	5-5	W-2
Montreal	63	57	.525	8	33-23	30-34	7-3	W-1
Chicago	58	62	.483	13	31-32	27-30	5-5	W-1
Philadel.	57	61	.483	13	29-28	28-33	5-5	W-1
St. Louis	56	65	.463	15 1/2	29-36	27-29	6-4	W-1
West								
Cincinnati	68	51	.571	-	35-24	33-27	5-5	L-4
Los Angeles	62	58	.517	6 1/2	34-25	28-33	6-4	L-1
San Fran.	61	59	.508	7 1/2	31-26	30-33	2-8	L-2
San Diego	56	63	.471	12	30-34	26-29	6-4	L-1
Houston	53	68	.438	16	35-25	18-43	4-6	L-1
Atlanta	45	75	.375	23 1/2	25-34	20-41	3-7	L-1

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(AUG. 20) UPI - AL BOX SOCRES

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	4	0	0	0	Kelly cf	4	1	3	0

Briley rf	4	0	0	0	Sax 2b	4	0	0	0
Griffey cf	4	0	0	0	Azocar lf	4	0	0	1
Davis 1b	3	1	2	0	Balboni 1b	4	0	0	0
Martinez 3b	2	0	0	0	Barfield rf	3	0	0	0
Brumley 3b	2	0	2	0	Cerone dh	4	1	2	0
Bradley dh	3	0	2	1	Tolleson dh	0	0	0	0
Leonard dh	1	0	0	0	Leyritz 3b	3	0	2	0
Cotto lf	3	0	0	0	Maas ph	1	0	0	0
Valle c	3	0	1	0	Velarde 3b	0	0	0	0
Vizquel ss	3	0	0	0	Geren c	3	1	1	2
					Espinoza ss	2	0	0	0
Totals	32	1	7	1	Totals	32	3	8	3

Seattle 000 000 100- 1
New York 100 020 00x- 3

DP-New York 1. LOB-Seattle 6, New York 7. 2B-Kelly, Cerone, Bradley. 3B-Leyritz. HR-Geren (8). SB-Cotto (19).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Young (L 6-13)	7 2-3	8	3	3	2	6
Jackson	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
New York						
Leary (W 7-15)	7	6	1	1	2	3
Guetterman	1	0	0	0	0	1
Righetti (S 26)	1	1	0	0	0	3

T-2:27. A-35,056.

Umpires-Home, Scott; 1b, Reilly; 2b, Garcia; 3b, Voltaggio.

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TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson cf	5	2	2	4	Gladden lf	4	1	1	0
Fernandz ss	5	1	1	1	Liriano 2b	4	0	0	0
McGriff 1b	5	0	2	1	Puckett rf	4	0	2	1
Bell dh	5	0	2	1	Harper c	4	0	0	0
Borders c	5	0	1	0	Larkin 1b	4	0	0	0
Hill lf	5	1	2	0	Castillo dh	4	0	1	0
Lee 2b	4	1	0	0	Mack cf	2	0	0	0
Sojo 3b	3	1	2	0	Newman 3b	3	0	1	0
Mulliniks 3b	0	1	0	0	Gagne ss	1	0	0	0
Williams rf	4	2	3	0					
Totals	41	9	15	7	Totals	30	1	5	1

Toronto	000 000 630- 9
Minnesota	000 001 000- 1

E-Gladden, Gagne, Guthrie. DP- Minnesota 2. LOB-Toronto 6, Minnesota 5.
2B-Hill, Puckett, Gladden, Wilson. 3B-Wilson. SB-Williams (8). S-Gagne.

		IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto							
Wells (W 9-3)		8	5	1	1	2	5
MacDonald		1	0	0	0	0	0
Minnesota							
Guthrie (L 4-6)	6	1-3	12	6	5	0	5
Savage	2	2-3	3	3	3	1	2

WP-Wells. T-2:31. A-29,004.

Umpires-Home, Evans; 1b, Welke; 2b, Hickox; 3b, Coble.

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KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Seitzer 3b	4	0	0	0	Molitor 1b	3	2	1	0
McRae cf	4	0	0	0	Surhoff c	4	0	1	3
Brett 1b	4	1	2	2	Sheffield 3b	5	0	1	1
Tartabull rf	4	0	0	0	Parker dh	4	0	1	1
Perry dh	3	0	0	0	Yount cf	4	0	0	0
Eisenreich lf	3	0	1	0	Hamilton lf	4	2	2	0
Stillwell ss	3	0	0	0	Felder rf	4	2	3	1
Macfarlan c	2	0	0	0	Gantner 2b	4	0	1	1
Pecota 2b	3	1	0	0	Spiers ss	2	1	0	0
Totals	30	2	3	2	Totals	34	7	10	7

Kansas City	100 001 000- 2
Milwaukee	011 400 01x- 7

E-Tartabull, Molitor, Sanchez. DP- Milwaukee 1. LOB-Kansas City 2,
Milwaukee 8. 2B-Parker. HR-Brett (10). SB-Hamilton 2 (9), Molitor (12),
Felder (14), Spiers (8). SF-Surhoff.

		IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City							
McGaffigan (L 3-1)	3	1-3	7	6	5	2	0
Farr	3	2-3	2	0	0	0	2
Sanchez		1-3	1	1	1	1	0
Crawford		2-3	0	0	0	1	0

Milwaukee					
Knudson (W 9-6)	9	3	2	1	1	5

WP-McGaffigan. T-2:32. A-26,257.

Umpires-Home, Barnett; 1b, Roe; 2b, Morrison; 3b, Joyce.

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OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
RHendrsn lf	3	0	0	0	Anderson cf	3	1	1	0
Blnknshp 2b	0	0	0	0	Orsulak lf	4	1	1	2
Lansford 3b	4	0	1	0	CRipken ss	4	1	1	1
Canseco rf	3	1	0	0	Horn dh	3	0	1	0
McGwire 1b	3	1	1	2	Tettleton c	4	0	1	0
Hassey c	3	0	0	0	Hulett 3b	3	0	1	0
Randolph pr	0	0	0	0	Wrthngtn 3b	0	0	0	0
Jose cf	4	0	0	0	Segui 1b	3	0	0	0
Steinbach dh	4	0	1	0	Gonzales 2b	3	0	0	0
Weiss ss	3	0	1	0	Finley rf	2	0	1	0
Gallego 2b	1	0	0	0					
Jennings lf	1	0	0	0					
Totals	29	2	4	2	Totals	29	3	7	3

Oakland	000 000 002-	2
Baltimore	100 020 00x-	3

DP-Baltimore 1. LOB-Oakland 5, Baltimore 5. HR-CRipken (16), Orsulak (11), McGwire (32).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Sanderson (L 12-8)	6	7	3	3	3	6
Klink	1	0	0	0	0	1
Burns	1	0	0	0	0	2
Baltimore						
Telford (W 1-0)	7	1	0	0	4	0
Schilling	1	1	0	0	0	0
Olson (S 28)	1	2	2	2	1	0

WP-Sanderson. T-2:38. A-47,756.

Umpires-Home, Young; 1b, Kaiser; 2b, Johnson; 3b, McKean.

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CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Polonia lf	4	0	0	0	Reed 2b	4	2	3	1
Coachmn 3b	4	0	2	1	Quintana 1b	3	0	0	0
Davis dh	4	0	2	0	Boggs 3b	5	0	2	1
Winfield rf	4	0	1	0	Burks cf	4	0	0	0
Parrish c	3	0	1	0	Greenwell lf	4	0	1	0
Hill ph	1	0	0	0	Evans dh	4	0	0	0
White cf	4	0	0	0	Brunnsky rf	4	1	3	0
Stevens 1b	4	0	1	0	Marzano c	4	0	0	0
Ray 2b	3	0	1	0	Rivera ss	4	1	1	1
Schofield ss	3	1	1	0					
Totals	34	1	9	1	Totals	36	4	10	3

California 001 000 000- 1
Boston 130 000 00x- 4

E-Coachman, Polonia. DP-Boston 2. LOB-California 6, Boston 12. 2B-Davis, Rivera, Schofield. SB-Brunansky 2 (5), Greenwell (7).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Abbott (L 8-11)	5 2-3	8	4	3	3	6
Eichhorn	2 1-3	2	0	0	1	3
Boston						
Clemens (W 18-5)	7	8	1	1	0	8
Gray (S 3)	2	1	0	0	0	2

T-3:16. A-33,365.

Umpires-Home, Reed; 1b, Cooney; 2b, Tschida; 3b, Brinkman.

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CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Sosa rf	4	0	0	0	Pettis cf	3	0	1	0
Fletcher 2b	4	0	0	0	Daugherty lf	1	0	0	0
Calderon lf	5	0	3	0	Franco 2b	3	0	0	0
Thomas dh	5	0	2	0	Palmeiro 1b	4	1	1	1
Bradley cf	4	2	2	0	Sierra rf	4	0	1	0
Martinez 1b	3	1	2	0	Incaviglia c	3	0	0	0
Lyons 1b	1	0	0	0	JoRussell dh	1	1	0	0
Karkovice c	3	1	1	2	Baines dh	2	0	0	0
Grebeck 3b	3	0	1	1	Stanley c	2	0	2	0
Guillen ss	3	0	0	1	Petralli c	2	0	0	0

					Buechele 3b	2	0	2	1
					Huson ph	1	0	0	0
					Green ss	2	0	0	0
					Reimer ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	35	4	11	4	Totals	31	2	7	2

Chicago 010 100 020- 4
Texas 000 100 010- 2

DP-Texas 1. LOB-Chicago 9, Texas 7. 2B-Pettis, Calderon, Grebeck. 3B-Martinez. HR-Palmeiro (12). SB- Franco (22). S-Green. SF-Karkovice, Guillen.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Edwards (W 2-2)	5	5	1	1	4	3
Pall	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Patterson	1	1	0	0	0	0
Jones	1 2-3	1	1	1	0	1
Thigpen (S 40)	1	0	0	0	0	0
Texas						
Moyer (L 1-5)	6 1-3	7	2	2	3	2
Mielke	2-3	2	1	1	0	1
Rogers	1	2	1	1	0	0
Arnsberg	1	0	0	0	0	1

Edwards pitched to 1 batter in the 6th, Mielke pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

WP-Rogers 2. T-3:09. A-24,587.

Umpires-Home, Shulock; 1b, McClelland; 2b, Merrill; 3b, Denkinger.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - The shortstop had never hit a home run, the first baseman hadn't hit one in a year and the pitcher hadn't won in two months, so the law of averages was on the side of the Cardinals.

Tim Jones belted his first major-league homer Sunday and utility man Denny Walling added his first homer since Aug. 18, 1989 to power St. Louis to a 7-3 victory over the Houston Astros.

''What are the odds of me and Timmy hitting a home run in the same game?''

said Walling after helping starter Jose DeLeon earn his first win since June 17.

The Cardinals right-hander scattered eight hits over six innings, striking out seven and walking one, to raise his record to 7-12. DeLeon had gone 10 starts without a win, losing seven and posting three no-decisions during the span.

Walling, who has had to scrap for a place in the starting lineup, got the nod at first base after Pedro Guerrero, possibly feeling the effects of Thursday's fight with Astros' pitcher Danny Darwin, checked into a hospital with back pain Sunday morning.

Walling's home run capped a three-run first inning off Houston starter Mike Scott, 9-12. Vince Coleman walked, stole second and went to third on Terry Pendleton's groundout. Willie McGee's infield single scored Coleman before Walling homered.

''I've been playing more lately and getting rid of the rust,'' Walling said. ''I haven't felt comfortable. I'm still looking for a certain pitch. When you play more you don't have to do that.''

Tim Jones' eighth-inning blast off Houston reliever Brian Fisher padded the lead.

''(Fisher) got behind me 2-0 and I was looking for the fastball,'' Jones said. ''He got it inside and I hit it hard.''

Scott would probably like to forget this latest outing, one in which he was tagged for six runs and 10 hits in five innings.

Scott has surrendered 24 round-trippers this season. The right-hander, a 20-game winner last season, hasn't finished under .500 since 1984.

--- AROUND THE NL ---

Elsewhere in the National League: Pittsburgh dumped Cincinnati 6-3, Chicago tripped Atlanta 5-4, Montreal edged Los Angeles 2-1, Philadelphia nipped San Diego 3-2, and New York outlasted San Francisco 10-9.

Pirates 6, Reds 3

At Cincinnati, Bobby Bonilla delivered a three-run home run and Doug Drabek recorded his 16th victory, allowing Pittsburgh to post a four-game sweep of the Reds. Cincinnati was outscored 20-8 in the series. Jack Armstrong dropped to 12-9, giving up five runs on eight hits in six innings.

Cubs 5, Braves 4

At Chicago, pinch hitter Hector Villanueva smacked a two-run homer with two out in the eighth inning, lifting the Cubs to their 22nd win in their last 32 games. They are 16-6 at Wrigley Field during that span. Greg Maddux, 11-10, won for the seventh time in his last eight games. Villanueva's blast, his seventh, allowed Chicago to erase a 4-3 deficit.

Expos 2, Dodgers 1

At Los Angeles, pinch hitter Mike Aldrete singled home Dave Martinez with two out in the ninth, to hand Ramon Martinez, 15-6, his second straight loss. Aldrete now has eight hits and four RBI in 27 pinch-hit at-bats. The Dodgers remain 6 1-2 games behind the Reds in the NL West.

Phillies 3, Padres 2

At San Diego, Sil Campusano, batting .192 going into the game, drove in two runs with a pinch-hit single in the seventh inning to lift Philadelphia. Dennis Rasmussen, 8-12, was victimized by two Padres errors in the inning as both runs were unearned.

Mets 10, Giants 9

At San Francisco, Kevin McReynolds drove in six runs with two homers and a single, helping Dwight Gooden raise his record to 13-6. John Franco gained his 28th save. Mike Lacoss, 3-2, lasted 4 1-3 innings, allowing seven runs nine hits and walking three.

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MANAMA, BAHRAIN (AUG. 20) UPI - President Bush's interdiction program against Iraq faced its first challenge when two Iraqi oil tankers that had already ignored U.S. warning shots headed south through the Persian Gulf, shadowed by American warships.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, in the region to visit U.S. forces and Persian Gulf leaders, monitored the situation Sunday and talked to Washington by telephone during his trip.

He became less talkative about the two Iraqi tankers during the day and refused to say what action, if any, would be taken to stop the vessels.

But it was believed the United States was delaying military action to avoid influencing a pending U.N. Security Council vote on a resolution to enforce economic sanctions against Iraq. The council adopted the economic embargo in response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and occupation of Kuwait.

''We note that the United Nations is continuing to isolate Iraq by condemning its treatment of foreign nationals,'' a Bush administration official said, speaking on the condition of anonymity. ''We further note that the U.N. is considering further actions on enforcement of the sanctions.''

The administration official said the Navy would continue its interdiction operation and keep monitoring the two Iraqi tankers, noting they are not near any port or harbor.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater, traveling with Bush from the president's summer home in Maine to Washington for briefings on the crisis added, ''We intend to enforce the sanctions, but we want to give them every opportunity to turn around and change course.''

In a related development, officials disclosed that the Navy Saturday boarded a Chinese vessel, the Heng Chun Hai, which was carrying fertilizer from Iraq south through the Persian Gulf. It was boarded and searched by personnel from the USS England, and told to return to its port of origin. Officials said the vessel was currently at anchor in the gulf.

Asked if Bush had backed away from his intention of using force against Iraqi ships since they apparently were still under way, Cheney answered with a curt, ''No.''

Cheney made the comments in the Persian Gulf state island of Bahrain after meeting with officers and crew of the USS LaSalle, the command ship of the U.S. Joint Task Force-Middle East, which has eight warships in the gulf, including the ships that fired the warning shots.

On the first day of Cheney's four-day trip to the region, Navy officials in the Red Sea said U.S. ships in the gulf had gone to battle stations Saturday after the frigate USS Reid had fired at least six warning shots from its 76mm cannon across the bow of an Iraqi tanker, but the vessel would not stop.

Another ship, the USS Bradley, fired three warning shots at another Iraqi vessel, officials said.

Cheney, who had been visiting sailors Saturday aboard the aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower in the Red Sea, confirmed the firing when he arrived at a Saudi air base Sunday to visit with U.S. ground and air forces.

''I am aware that in the Persian Gulf yesterday, as part of our interception operations, one of our vessels did fire warning shots near an Iraqi vessel,'' Cheney told reporters, apparently mentioning only one of the incidents.

''At this point, the Iraqi vessels are still under surveillance. They are not close to any port or any harbor at this point. Our vessels continue to maintain that surveillance.

''I wouldn't want to speculate what happens next,'' Cheney said. ''We obviously are prepared to see to it that the sanctions that the United Nations voted and the actions that the officers of the legitimate government asked us to undertake are carried out.

The tankers are believed to be loaded with oil since they are moving south away from Iraq.

Bush ordered U.S. forces late Thursday to interdict commercial vessels with goods that are either leaving or bound for Iraq or Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

In his comments to reporters in Bahrain, Cheney said the United States was working diplomatically to seek cooperation from all nations on the sanctions and militarily to intercept ships that may be trying to break the embargo.

In his later remarks, Cheney declined to discuss specifics about the Iraqi tankers, such as their location in the Persian Gulf or whether they were loaded.

''We have under surveillance a number of vessels in the gulf and the Red Sea that may or may not be trying to get around the sanctions,'' he said.

Cheney is on his first visit to the region since Bush Aug. 7 ordered U.S. forces to Saudi Arabia to deter a possible Iraqi attack, following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The United States has some 30 warships in the region, including three aircraft carriers and a battleship, and more than 140 Air Force fighters and bombers in the largest military buildup since the Vietnam War.

More than 45,000 U.S. troops are believed to have arrived in northeastern Saudi Arabia, near Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, as part of Operation Desert Shield. More than 100,000 are expected to be sent overall.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

ATLANTA CHICAGO

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LSmith lf	3	1	1	1	Dascenzo cf	2	2	1	1
Treadway 2b	4	1	4	0	Sandberg 2b	3	0	0	0
Gant cf	3	0	0	1	Grace 1b	4	0	3	2
Justice rf	4	0	1	0	Dawson rf	4	0	0	0
Gregg 1b	4	0	2	1	Salazar lf	4	0	1	0
Presley 3b	4	1	1	0	Dunston ss	4	1	0	0
Mercker p	0	0	0	0	Ramos 3b	2	0	1	0
Whitt c	3	1	2	0	Clark lf	1	1	1	0
Vatcher ph	1	0	0	0	Villanuev ph	1	1	1	2
Thomas ss	4	0	0	0	Assenmchr p	0	0	0	0
Avery p	2	0	0	0	Girardi c	4	0	1	0
McDowell ph	1	0	0	0	Maddux p	2	0	0	0
Parrett p	0	0	0	0	Wynne cf	0	0	0	0
Castillo p	0	0	0	0					
Lemke 3b	0	0	0	0					
Cabrera ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	34	4	11	3	Totals	31	5	9	5

Atlanta 120 000 010- 4
Chicago 101 000 12x- 5

E-Treadway, Dunston. DP-Atlanta 1, Chicago 2. LOB-Atlanta 5, Chicago 6. 2B -Dascenzo, Grace. HR-Villanueva (7). SB-Grace (13). S-Maddux. SF-Gant, LSmith, Dascenzo.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Avery	6	5	2	2	1	7
Parrett	2-3	2	1	1	1	0
Castillo	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Mercker (L 4-3)	1	2	2	2	0	0
Chicago						
Maddux (W 11-10)	8	11	4	2	0	4
Assenmacher (S 5)	1	0	0	0	0	2

WP-Avery. T-2:26. A-33,284.

Umpires-Home, Gregg; 1b, Crawford; 2b, Hallion; 3b, DeMuth.

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PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Backman 3b	2	2	1	0	Larkin ss	4	0	2	0
King 3b	1	1	1	1	Duncan 2b	4	0	0	0
Belliard ss	4	1	2	0	O'Neill rf	4	0	1	0
Van Slyke cf	5	0	2	2	Davis cf	4	0	0	0

Bonilla rf	3	1	2	3	Morris 1b	4	0	0	0
Bonds lf	4	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	4	1	1	0
Bream 1b	4	0	2	0	Benzinger lf	4	1	2	0
La Vallier c	2	0	0	0	Reed c	3	1	2	2
Lind 2b	5	0	0	0	Armstrong p	2	0	1	0
Drabek p	4	1	1	0	Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0
Belinda p	1	0	0	0	Wnnnghm ph	1	0	1	0
					Scudder p	0	0	0	0
					Quinones ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	35	6	11	6	Totals	35	3	10	2

Pittsburgh 002 003 010- 6
Cincinnati 000 010 002- 3

E-Bonilla, Bream. DP-Pittsburgh 1, Cincinnati 1. LOB-Pittsburgh 12, Cincinnati 7. 2B-Bream, Benzinger. 3B-Bonilla. HR-Bonilla (28), King (8), Reed (3). SB-Bream (6), Van Slyke (12). S- Belliard, La Valliere.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Drabek (W 16-5)	6 2-3	8	1	1	2	5
Belinda (S 7)	2 1-3	2	2	2	0	2
Cincinnati						
Armstrong (L 12-9)	6	8	5	5	7	2
Rodriguez	1	1	0	0	0	1
Scudder	2	2	1	1	1	2

WP-Armstrong. T-3:06. A-36,549.

Umpires-Home, Froemming; 1b, Pulli; 2b, Rippley; 3b, Darling.

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HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Rhodes cf	5	0	2	0	Coleman lf	4	1	2	1
Doran 2b	5	1	2	0	Pendleton 3b	5	0	2	0
Biggio c	4	0	2	1	McGee cf	4	1	1	1
Stubbs 1b	4	0	0	0	Walling 1b	4	1	1	2
GWilson rf	3	1	1	1	CWilson 2b	4	1	1	0
Oberkfell 3b	4	0	1	1	Oquendo 2b	0	0	0	0
Davidson lf	3	0	0	0	Thompson rf	4	1	2	1
Schatzeder p	0	0	0	0	Pagnozzi c	3	1	1	0
Nichols ph	1	0	0	0	Jones ss	4	1	2	2
Fisher p	0	0	0	0	DeLeon p	3	0	0	0
Candaele ss	4	1	1	0	Dayley p	0	0	0	0
Scott p	2	0	0	0	Collins ph	1	0	0	0

Rohde ss	0	0	0	0	Terry p	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	3	9	3	Totals	36	7	12	7

Houston 000 200 100- 3
St. Louis 310 020 01x- 7

LOB-Houston 8, St. Louis 7. 2B- Rhodes, Pagnozzi, Thompson 2, GWilson, Jones, Candaele. 3B-Coleman. HR- Walling (1), Jones (1). SB-Coleman 2 (67) Pendleton (5).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Scott (L 9-12)	5	10	6	6	2	3
Schatzeder	2	0	0	0	0	2
Fisher	1	2	1	1	0	0
St. Louis						
DeLeon (W 7-12)	6	8	3	3	1	7
Dayley	2	1	0	0	1	3
Terry	1	0	0	0	1	0

DeLeon pitched to 2 batters in the 7th.

T-2:44. A-32,165.

Umpires-Home, Bonin; 1b, Tata; 2b, Hohn; 3b, Rennert.

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PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	3	1	1	0	Roberts 3b	2	1	0	0
Herr 2b	3	0	1	0	Show p	0	0	0	0
VHayes lf	4	0	1	1	Jackson ph	0	0	0	0
Murphy rf	4	0	0	0	Stephensn ph	1	0	0	0
Martinez 1b	4	0	1	0	Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0
McDowell p	0	0	0	0	Alomar 2b	3	0	1	0
CHayes 3b	4	1	2	0	Gwynn rf	5	0	1	0
Thon ss	4	1	1	0	Clark 1b	4	0	1	1
Nieto c	2	0	0	0	Carter lf	4	1	1	0
Ready ph	1	0	0	0	Templetn ss	4	0	1	1
Daulton c	1	0	0	0	Parent c	2	0	0	0
Combs p	1	0	0	0	Santiago c	1	0	0	0
Carman p	0	0	0	0	Abner cf	4	0	2	0
Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0	Rasmussn p	2	0	0	0
Hollins ph	1	0	0	0	Pagliarul 3b	1	0	1	0
Boever p	0	0	0	0					
Campusn ph	1	0	1	2					

Cook p	0	0	0	0					
Kruk 1b	1	0	0	0					
Totals	34	3	8	3	Totals	33	2	8	2

Philadelphia 000 100 200- 3
San Diego 001 001 000- 2

E-CHayes, Roberts, Rasmussen, Alomar. DP-Philadelphia 2, San Diego 1. LOB-Philadelphia 6, San Diego 12. 2B-CHayes. SB-Roberts (28), Dykstra (25). S-Herr.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Combs	4 1-3	3	1	1	4	2
Carman	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Akerfelds	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Boever (W 2-3)	1	2	1	1	0	1
Cook	1 1-3	2	0	0	3	0
McDowell (S 17)	1 2-3	1	0	0	1	0
San Diego						
Rasmussen (L 8-12)	7	6	3	1	0	2
Show	1	1	0	0	0	1
Rodriguez	1	1	0	0	0	2

HBP-by Rasmussen (Dykstra). WP- Cook. Balk-Boever. T-3:16. A-22,627.

Umpires-Home, Montague; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, Davidson; 3b, Williams.

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NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Boston cf	4	2	0	0	Butler cf	4	0	2	0
Magadan 3b	4	1	3	1	Kingery rf	3	0	0	0
Jefferies 2b	5	1	1	1	Litton rf	2	0	0	0
Strawbrry rf	5	2	2	0	Clark 1b	4	1	1	0
Johnson ss	3	2	2	1	Mitchell lf	4	3	2	1
McRynlds lf	4	2	3	6	Williams 3b	4	2	2	0
Torve 1b	4	0	0	0	Kennedy c	3	1	2	2
Sasser c	4	0	0	0	Carter c	1	0	0	0
Ojeda p	0	0	0	0	Parker pr	0	0	0	0
Pena p	0	0	0	0	Thompsn 2b	3	0	1	1
Franco p	1	0	0	0	Uribe ss	4	1	2	1
Gooden p	3	0	2	0	LaCoss p	2	0	0	0
Mercado c	2	0	0	0	Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0
					Thurmond p	0	0	0	0
					Riles ph	1	1	1	4

					Oliveras p	0	0	0	0
					Bathe ph	1	0	0	0
					Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0
Totals	39	10	13	9	Totals	36	9	13	9

New York 001 243 000- 10
San Francisco 000 204 201- 9

E-Butler. DP-New York 3, San Francisco 1. LOB-New York 8, San Francisco 8. 2B-Williams, Kennedy, Jefferies, Johnson, Magadan, Clark. HR-McReynolds 2 (16), Riles (6), Mitchell (27). SB-Boston (13), Uribe (5), Butler (36), Parker (5).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Gooden (W 13-6)	5 1-3	7	6	6	5	5
Ojeda	2-3	3	2	2	0	0
Pena	1	2	0	0	0	1
Franco (S 28)	2	1	1	1	2	0
San Francisco						
LaCoss (L 3-2)	4 1-3	9	7	6	3	0
Rodriguez	1 1-3	4	3	3	1	1
Thurmond	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Oliveras	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bedrosian	2	0	0	0	1	1

Ojeda pitched to 2 batters in the 7th.

HBP-by Gooden (Thompson). WP- Franco. T-3:48. A-33,251.

Umpires-Home, West; 1b, Barnes; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Wendelstedt.

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MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
DeShields 2b	4	0	2	0	Offerman ss	5	1	3	1
Nixon cf	4	0	0	0	Gibson cf	3	0	1	0
Raines lf	2	0	1	0	Daniels lf	5	0	0	0
Wallach 3b	4	0	2	0	Murray 1b	3	0	1	0
Galarrag 1b	4	0	0	0	Brooks rf	4	0	2	0
DaMartinz rf	4	1	1	0	Harris 2b	4	0	0	0
Goff c	3	1	1	1	Scioscia c	2	0	0	0
Foley ss	3	0	0	0	Howell p	0	0	0	0
DeMartinz p	2	0	0	0	Sharpersn 3b	3	0	0	0
Aldrete ph	1	0	1	1	Javier ph	1	0	0	0
Frey p	0	0	0	0	Samuel 2b	0	0	0	0

					RMartinez p	3	0	0	0
					Dempsey c	1	0	0	0
Totals	31	2	8	2	Totals	34	1	7	1

Montreal 000 010 001- 2
Los Angeles 100 000 000- 1

E-Galarraga, Nixon. DP-Montreal 1, Los Angeles 1. LOB-Montreal 8, Los Angeles 11. HR-Offerman (1), Goff (3). SB-DeShields (33), Offerman (1). S-DeMartinez.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
DeMartinez (W 10-8)	8	7	1	1	4	8
Frey (S 6)	1	0	0	0	1	0
Los Angeles						
RMartinez (L 15-6)	8 1-3	7	2	2	5	7
Howell	2-3	1	0	0	0	0

T-3:10. A-40,603.

Umpires-Home, Layne; 1b, Runge; 3b, Davis.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Baseball

American League
Toronto at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Baltimore at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
California at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Oakland at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Milwaukee, 8:35 p.m.
Minnesota at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
Seattle at Texas, 8:35 p.m.

National League
Houston at Pitsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
Atlanta at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.

New York at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
Montreal at San Francisco, 10:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

Boxing

Welterweights
Las Vegas, Nev. - Lonnie Smith vs. Henry Anaya, 12.

Middleweights
Las Vegas, Nev. - Willie Monroe vs. Tony Montgomery, 10.

Cycling
Maebashi, Japan - World Cycling Championships.

Football

NFL Exhibition
San Francisco at Denver, 8 p.m.

Tennis
Mahwah, N.J. - Women's $225,000 United Jersey Bank Classic

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(AUG. 20) UPI - Around the world, around the clock... U-P-I brings you the latest news.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater takes a dim view of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's latest offer to free foreigners in return for a speedy U-S pullout from Saudi Arabia. He says it's another example of what he termed the ''daily seminar of Iraqi ridicule.'' Fitzwater says ''it doesN'T improve the prospects for resolving the crisis'' in the Middle East.

The United States is sending another squadron of radar-evading FA stealth fighters to the Middle East. The second squadron leaves today for Saudi Arabia, and the mission has been well-publicized to act as a deterrent to Iraqi aggression.

President Bush is interrupting his vacation in Maine again. He's consulting with his top advisers in Washington today on the dangerous war of nerves in the Persian Gulf. He's also to address the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Baltimore later today.

Battles in South Africa between Zulu supporters of the Inkatha movement and members of the anti-apartheid African National Congress have now

claimed nearly 300 lives. Authorities say at least 11-hundred people have been wounded in seven days of slaughter in black townships near Johannesburg, with the worst violence in Soweto.

The Coast Guard says a 152-thousand-gallon gasoline spill in Delaware Bay probably will dissipate. The spill occurred yesterday when a Panamanian tanker collided with a barge carrying more than seven-Million gallons of gas and heating oil. The spill left a sheen of gasoline over a two and one-half-mile area.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - A man driving a gypsy cab in Harlem was shot and critically injured during a robbery attempt, the latest in a series of attacks on cab drivers in the city, police said.

The 32-year-old driver, who was not identified, was shot in the back by a passenger Sunday evening near Madison Avenue, said Sgt. Ed Burns, a police spokesman.

The wounded driver fled his vehicle and the gunman jumped into the front seat and drove the car away, Burns said. The driver was in critical condition Sunday at Harlem Hospital, authorities said.

The shooting was the latest in a string of attacks on cab drivers. Twenty drivers have been killed in New York City since the beginning of the year, according to police figures.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

BATTING
(Minimum 310 at-bats)

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	366	86	120	.328
Palmeiro, Tex	446	56	143	.321
Griffey, Sea	468	72	148	.316
Brett, KC	418	63	131	.313
Sheffield, Mil	413	57	129	.312
Trammell, Det	446	58	139	.312
Reed, Bos	432	55	134	.310
Boggs, Bos	459	66	142	.309
Harper, Min	363	49	112	.309

Martinez, Sea	396	56	121	.306

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	436	87	150	.344
McGee, StL	472	69	160	.339
Magadan, NY	313	54	105	.335
Dawson, Chi	390	51	126	.323
Gwynn, SD	480	67	153	.319
Bonds, Pit	387	83	122	.315
Grace, Chi	437	50	136	.311
Sandberg, Chi	476	90	147	.309
Murray, LA	405	66	125	.309
Wallach, Mtl	460	51	140	.304

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 39; Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 32; McGriff, Tor 28; Deer, Mil and Gruber, Tor 23.

National League - Sandberg, Chi and Bonilla, Pit 28; Strawberry, NY andMitchell, SF 27; Williams, SF and Bonds, Pit 24.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 99; Canseco and McGwire, Oak and Gruber, Tor 83; Sierra, Tex and Bell, Tor 75.

National League - Carter, SD 96; Williams, SF 93; Bonds, Pit 90; Bonilla, Pit 83; Strawberry, NY 78.

Doubles

American League - Reed, Bos 38; Puckett, Min 34; Brett, KC, Boggs, Bos and Calderon, Chi 33; Sierra, Tex and Harper, Min 31.

National League - Wallach, Mon, Jefferies, NY and Dykstra, Phi 32; Johnson NY 31; Sabo, Cin, Bonilla, Pit, and McGee STL 29.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 15; Sosa, Chi 9; Johnson, Chi, Burks, Bos and Pettis, Tex 7.

National League - Coleman, Stl, Duncan, Cin and Smith, Atl 8; Thompson, Stl and Gwynn, SD 7.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 50; Sax, NY 30; Calderon, Chi 29; Pettis, Tex 28; Kelly, NY 26.

National League - Coleman, Stl 67; Yelding, Hou 48; Bonds, Pit 42; Nixon, Mon 39; Raines, Mon and Butler, SF 36; Samuel, LA 35.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 86; Fielder, Det 79; McGriff, Tor and Yount, Mil 76; Griffey, Sea and Puckett, Min 72.

National League - Bonilla, Pit 94; Sandberg, Chi 90; Dykstra, Phi 87; Bonds, Pit 83; Sabo, Cin 81; Jefferies, NY and Roberts, SD 76.

Hits

American League - Griffey, Sea 148; Palmeiro, Tex 143; Boggs, Bos 142; Trammell, Det 139; Kelly, NY 135; Seitzer, KC, Reed, Bos and Puckett, Min 134.

National League - McGee, Stl 160; Gwynn, SD 153; Dykstra, Phi 150; Sandberg, Chi 147; Alomar, SD 142.

Pitching

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 20; Clemens, Bos 18; Stewart, Oak 17; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 16.

National League - Drabek, Pit 16; Martinez, LA and Viola, NY 15; Gooden, NY 13; Harkey, Chi and Armstrong and Browning, Cin 12.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 100 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 2.04; Finley, Cal 2.24; Stewart, Oak 2.43; Steib, Tor 2.99; McCaskill, Cal 3.02; Welch, Oak 3.09.

National League - Tudor, Stl 2.45; Whitson, SD 2.53; Viola, NY 2.79; Drabek, Pit 2.82; Martinez, Mtl 2.85; Boyd, Mtl 2.92.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 183; Ryan, Tex 165; Witt, Tex 162; Hanson, Sea 152; Johnson, Sea 147.

National League - Martinez, LA 183; Cone, NY 165; Gooden, NY 155; DeLeon, Stl, 137; Martinez, Mtl 136; Smoltz, Atl 132.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi 40; Eckersley, Oak 38; Jones, Cle 33; Schooler, Sea 29; Olson, Bal 28.

National League - Franco, NY 28; Myers, Cin 24; Smith, Stl 21; Smith, Hou, 20; Lefferts, SD, 19.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 8; Brown, Tex, Young, Sea and Morris, Det 6; Finley, Cal, Leary, NY, Saberhagen, KC and Clemens, Bos 5.

National League - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA, De.Martinez, Mon, Viola, NY 6; J. Smoltz, Atl, Belcher, LA, Maddux, Chi, Drabek, Pit and Hurst, SD 5.

Shutouts

American League - Stewart, Oak and Clemens, Bos 3; 11 players tied with 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mon and Viola, NY 3; 14 players tied 2.

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#90232u0280 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 20) UPI - B.F. Skinner, the behavioral psychologist who died of leukemia complications at age 86, was remembered as ''a legend in his own time'' despite the controversial nature of his theories.

Skinner's death Saturday at Mt. Auburn Hospital came just eight days after he had received an award from the American Psychological Association and presented what he called a final defense of his work.

Hospital spokeswoman Lois Hunter said Skinner died at 2:45 p.m. Saturday from complications of leukemia. A secretary was by his side and his wife, Eve, also was at the hospital, Hunter said.

''He went very fast. I don't even think his family expected it,'' she said.

Skinner spent the last years of his life trying to improve his image.

''Many people regard me as some cold taskmaster who wants to manipulate everybody,'' the longtime Harvard University professor once said. ''I have

worked toward behavior modification for the general welfare all my life. But now I'm getting old and I'm a little concerned about my image.''

During a psychologists' convention in Washington in August 1982, Skinner said aging men and women can best cope with their intellectual decline by relaxing the brain. He suggested giving up such hobbies as working complicated crossword puzzles and playing chess. Instead, he recommended reading mystery novels and watching situation comedies on television.

Skinner's theories held that human behavior is a byproduct of the environment; that organisms are capable of little or no ''free will'' but rather react to rewards and punishments. His principles of conditioning, first applied to rats and pigeons, are now commonly used to help people deal with such problems as phobias, drug addiction and smoking.

Skinner also was a prolific author who wrote short stories and poetry, published many books on psychology and compiled a set of lengthy memoirs.

Among his works were ''Walden Two,'' a Utopian novel published in 1948 in which he invented a new society, and books on psychology such as ''Beyond Freedom and Dignity'' and ''About Behaviorism.''

On Aug. 10, Skinner was given a lifetime contribution citation by the American Psychological Association. In a retrospective on his theories and their future, he said, ''I'm very optimistic for certain kinds of psychology; the kind of behaviorism I practice. I'm attacking cognitive psychology. That's the usual thing.''

Robert Epstein, a former student of Skinner who now runs the Cambridge Center for Behavioral Studies, said, ''I think he will probably be remembered most as a pioneering scientist.

''A lot of what he has done has been controversial, but he was one of the greatest, if not the greatest, behavioral scientists that ever lived,'' Epstein said. ''I think it's safe to say he was a legend in his own time.''

Nathan Azrin, professor of psychology at Nova University in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., also a former student of Skinner, said despite the controversy surrounding Skinner's theories, they spawned an entirely new approach to psychology and behavior research. ''He was called a legend in his own time. I think that description is quite accurate,'' Azrin said.

Born in Susquehanna, Pa., on March 20, 1904, Skinner was the son of a striving lawyer whose family worked hard to better itself. His mother was a strict woman concerned with proper behavior.

After graduating from Hamilton College in Clinton, N.Y., in 1926, Skinner received his M.A. and Ph.D from Harvard in 1931. In 1936, he joined the

psychology department at the University of Minnesota, where he remained for nine years. In 1942 and 1943, he conducted war research for General Mills Inc.

For two years before joining the Harvard faculty in 1947, he was chairman of the psychology department at Indiana University.

Skinner began experimenting with rats early in his career. During World War II, he took part in the Air Force's proposed ''Project Pigeon,'' designed to train pigeons to guide missiles. The project never got off the ground.

A devoted family man, Skinner married Eve Blue, an English major at the University of Chicago, in 1936. Their daughter, Julie, was born in 1938, and another daughter, Deborah, arrived in 1944.

It was perhaps Skinner's experiments with Deborah's so-called ''baby box'' that brought the professor into the national spotlight. The box was a crib-sized, climatically controlled living space with a large picture window, designed to simulate a natural environment for the child.

The baby, wearing only a diaper, remained in the box most of the time, but was handled at feedings and play times. Skinner claimed the child was happy, healthy and well-adjusted.

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WARSAW, POLAND (AUG. 20) UPI - A passenger train headed from Prague, Czechoslovakia, to Warsaw rammed into a commuter train near the Polish capital Monday morning, killing at least 13 people and injuring 35, the Polish news agency PAP reported.

Preliminary findings suggested the crash occurred after the Prague-to-Warsaw train ignored a stop signal, said Jacek Wnukowski, spokesman for Polish Rail.

Rescue teams found 13 bodies in the last car of the local train after the Prague-to-Warsaw train slammed into it shortly before 6:30 a.m., said PAP.

Ambulances arriving on the scene, near the southwestern Warsaw suburb of Ursus, took 35 people to hospitals in the capital, PAP said.

The Prague-Warsaw train was not damaged and no one on board was hurt in the collision, Wnukowski said.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - Thunderstorms saturated the Midwest and mid-Atlantic states Monday, triggering floods from Iowa to Pennsylvania, while the South sweltered in steamy heat and scattered showers dotted the West Coast.

A cool autumn-like air mass pushed across the mid-Atlantic states, bringing heavy storms early Monday. Thunderstorms rumbled through Washington, D.C., illuminating the morning darkness as heavy rain soaked the nation's capital.

Flash flood watches covered 18 western Pennsylvania counties and four counties in West Virginia's panhandle. A round of heavy thunderstorms soaked the area with heavy rain early Monday, and storms sweeping across the Ohio border increased the threat of flooding in low-lying areas.

Flash flood watches also were in effect for parts of Iowa and northern Illinois, but rainstorms diminished in rain-soaked Minnesota. Scattered storms rolled over the northern third of Indiana, prompting flood watches.

In Rochester, Ind., the Fulton County Sheriff's Department evacuated 28 patients from a hospital and about 50 residents from a senior citizens center Sunday out of concern a dam at Lake Manitou might break.

Water was spilling from the lake, and if the dam does not hold, officials in the north-central Indiana town estimated 6-foot floodwaters could race through the area within about 30 minutes after the dam's failure.

''We're just hoping it doesn't rain any more,'' said sheriff's dispatcher Stephanie Nafziger. ''We got a lot of water and we don't need any more.''

But in western Wisconsin, about 1,500 people returned to their homes in the town of Tomah, where a threat of dam breakage forced them to flee Saturday. Flash flood watches were activated Monday in southern Wisconsin, which was inundated with heavy rain that bloated tributaries over the weekend.

Showers and thunderstorms, some of them dumping heavy rain, swept through the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles and northeast New Mexico. Lighter showers also dampened areas of western Arkansas and eastern Oklahoma.

The Oklahoma Highway Patrol said it closed a stretch of Highway 56 west of Felt, Okla., Monday after 4 inches of rain doused the area.

Urban and small-stream flood warnings covered central Montana's Golden Valley, where torrential rains washed out a bridge near Musselshell, as heavy storm runoff coursed through waterways.

Hot, humid weather blanketed the South, with temperatures climbing into the 90s Monday after morning lows ranging in the mid 70s. In Atlanta,

temperatures topped out at 97 degrees Sunday.

In the West, scattered showers and thunderstorms were expected to continue flaring up through Tuesday in California and near the northern mountains and Sierra Nevada, with snow dusting some higher mountain peaks. Fair skies and morning fog covered inland areas along the coast.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - The United Arab Emirates have agreed to host U-S military cargo planes and hundreds of Air Force personnel as part of the effort to defend the region against a possible Iraqi attack. Defense Secretary Cheney made the announcement today in Abu Dhabi, one of the seven member states in the U-A-E... after meeting with the ruler of Abu Dhabi on the south coast of the Persian Gulf.

Dozens of Americans reportedly have been moved to strategic installations in Iraq, forming a ''human shield'' against any possible U-S offensive. NEVERtheless, the United States says it's determined to enforce U-N economic sanctions against Baghdad. As part of that effort, U-S warships are tracking two Iraqi oil tankers that are heading south through the Persian Gulf, in defiance of orders to stop.

Forces are being mobilized for an appeal of Saturday's conviction of three teen-agers in the Central Park jogger rape case. Black activist attorney Vernon Mason says he would represent one and possibly two of the youths in an appeal. He also says the Reverend Al Sharpton plans to meet today in Chicago with Nation of Islam Minister Louis Farrakhan to plan a fund-raising campaign.

A Soviet passenger jet landed in Karachi, Pakistan, today after being hijacked by a group of Soviet prisoners who were being transported aboard the plane. A spokesman for the Soviet Interior Ministry says 15 convicts were being moved from a prison in eastern Siberia when they disarmed their three guards and commandeered the plane. 29 passengers were aboard the jet during the hijacking.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - Fighting erupted again today in Beirut's southern suburbs killing four people and wounding 20. Police say pro-Syrian Amal militiamen battled against Iranian-backed Hezbollah fundamentalists... using mortars, jeep-mounted cannon and rocket-propelled grenades. The fighting erupted at dawn, engulfing four neighborhoods and forcing dozens of families to seek refuge in underground shelters.

The Polish news agency says a passenger train rammed into a commuter train near Warsaw this morning, killing at least 13 people and injuring 35. A spokesman for Polish Rail says preliminary findings suggest the passenger train- bound from Prague, Czechoslovakia, to Warsaw- ignored a stop signal. The 13 people killed were aboard the commuter train.

Donald Trump is to appear in a Manhattan courtroom today for a hearing on a complaint filed by his estranged wife, Ivana. She disputes a 1987 agreement that would give her 25-Million dollars if the couple separates. She wants a larger chunk of his fortune. Trump's alleged relationship with model Marla Maples could come up during today's hearing in New York City.

Funeral services are set Thursday for jazz and blues singer Pearl Bailey, who died Friday night in Philadelphia where she was recuperating from successful knee surgery. Her road manager says she will be buried in Philadelphia, where she spent much of her early career. Manager E-B Smith says Bailey's husband, drummer Louis Bellson, ''felt it was best since her family is'' in Philadelphia.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - Arab support for the U-S effort against the threat of Iraqi aggression in the Persian Gulf appears to be growing. The United Arab Emirates has agreed to host U-S military cargo planes and hundreds of Air Force personnel. Defense Secretary Cheney made the announcement today from Abu Dhabi.

The United Arab Emirates sits at the southern end of the Persian Gulf and borders Saudi Arabia to the east. Cheney is in the Middle East for four days to assess Washington's military operations in the Gulf, which he calls ''long-term.''

President Bush has interrupted his summer vacation for a second time to consult economic and military advisers in Washington. Later today, the president will address the Veterans of Foreign Wars convention in Baltimore.

The Polish news agency reports at least 13 people were killed and 35 injured today when a passenger train slammed into a commuter train near Warsaw. The passenger train was en route from Prague and apparently ignored a stop signal.

Lebanese police say fighting between pro-Syrian militia and Iranian-backed fundamentalists left four people dead and 20 others wounded today. The rival groups are battling for control of Lebanon's one-point-five-Million Shiite Moslems.

Soviet officials say a group of convicts hijacked a plane and forced the pilot to land in Pakistan today. The inmates were being transported from a prison in Siberia to another facility on a regular Aeroflot passenger flight when they overpowered their guards.

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#90232u0604 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - A jogger raped and beaten in a highly publicized Central Park ''wilding'' rampage was thrilled over the conviction of three youths in the crime, a published report said Monday.

The New York Post quoted a ''knowledgeable source'' as saying the jogger remarked, ''Thank God it's over'' when she heard the verdict and called the jury of 10 men and two women ''wonderful people.''

The 30-year-old investment banker ''was getting on with her life'' and was not at home Saturday when a prosecutor called to report that Antron McCray 16, Yusef Salaam, 16, and Raymond Santana, 15, had been found guilty of rape and assault, the source told the newspaper.

The three were acquitted of attempted murder, the most serious charge against them.

Although prosecutors have maintained there was no racial motive in the attack, the trial did contribute to racial tensions in the city. The defendants are black and their supporters denounced the widespread media attention given the victim, who is white.

The woman, who was attacked as she jogged in Central Park on the moonlit night of April 19, 1989, testified briefly during the trial. Prosecuting attorney Elizabeth Lederer questioned the jogger about her injuries and established that she had no memory of the attack itself. Defense attorneys did not cross-examine her.

The source said the woman did not want to think about the forthcoming trial of three more youths accused in the attack. Supporters of the convicted youths who prepared to appeal the decision criticized defense attorneys for not questioning the jogger.

Black activist attorney C. Vernon Mason said the woman, who made what doctors called a miraculous recovery from the attack, would not be spared cross-examination if she appeared at the second trial.

Mason said he would represent McCray, and possibly Salaam, in an appeal and said he would file a motion to set aside the verdict, claiming the youths received ineffective representation from their attorneys. He criticized the lawyers for not presenting expert testimony about the

psychological and physical effects of the attack on the jogger and her memory and for not cross-examining her.

Most of the media has withheld the woman's name because of the nature of the crime, but some of the city's black press has published her name.

Salaam, McCray and Santana face five to 10 years in prison when they are sentenced Sept. 11.

The woman was attacked by part of a gang of about 30 teenagers who rampaged through the moonlit park, randomly beating and mugging passersby.

During the two-hour rampage, the gang attacked a homeless man, a couple on a tandem bicycle and a male bicyclist before attacking the woman jogger, who was beaten, raped and left for dead.

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#90232u0605 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - South African police say the townships near Johannesburg were mostly quiet following yesterday's pre-dawn battle that left several people wounded. Black-on-black fighting has left nearly 300 dead in a week.

Coast Guard officials say they do NOT expect major damage as a result of the latest oil spill in the Delaware Bay. A Panamanian tanker collided with a barge yesterday, spilling 152-thousand gallons of gasoline into the bay.

The former project chief responsible for making the Hubble Space Telescope's mirrors says his calls for additional testing of the mirrors were ignored. Roderic Scott says the observatory's optical flaws could have been prevented.

Donald Trump's financial status and alleged relationship with model Marla Maples may be scrutinized in a New York City courtroom today. Donald and Ivana Trump will face each other during a hearing into whether a marital contract giving Ivana 25-Million dollars is fair.

The brother-in-law and former campaign manager for John F. Kennedy, Stephen Smith, died early yesterday at his Manhattan home after a long illness. Smith, married to Jean Kennedy, also served as financial adviser to the famous family.

Behavioral psychologists have lost their leader. B-F Skinner passed away Saturday at a Cambridge, Massachusetts, hospital from complications from leukemia. The 86-year-old Skinner was known for his controversial theories regarding reward and punishment in controlling human nature.

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#90232u0671 08/20/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 20) UPI - The White House says Saddam Hussein's latest offer to free Westerners is another example of ''Iraqi ridicule''... and does NOT improve the prospects for resolving the Persian Gulf crisis. A report says dozens of Americans have been moved to strategic installations in Iraq, forming a ''human shield'' against U-S attack.

The United Arab Emirates on the south coast of the Persian Gulf has agreed to host U-S military cargo planes and Air Force personnel... as part of the effort to defend the region against a possible Iraqi attack. Defense Secretary Cheney made the announcement today in Abu Dhabi.

Military officials say the United States has moved into the United Arab Emirates 16 C-130 cargo planes and a unit from Little Rock Air Force Base in Arkansas that includes more than 500 Air Force personnel.

Heavy rain fell today in the Midwest and Mid-Atlantic states, triggering floods from Iowa to Pennsylvania. Oklahoma also was hit with with heavy rain. The Oklahoma Highway Patrol says it closed a stretch of Highway 56 west of Felt, after four inches of rain fell. Hot, humid weather blanketed the South.

American psychologist B-F Skinner died during the weekend of complications from leukemia. He was 86. A spokeswoman at Mt. Auburn Hospital in Cambridge, Massachusetts, says a secretary was by his side and his wife, Eve, also was at the hospital. Skinner was known for his controversial theories about reward and punishment shaping human behavior.

Political action committees are pouring money into congressional races to try to help shape the next Congress. Campaign documents show G-O-P Senator Phil Gramm of Texas has received nearly one-Million dollars from business-related PAC'S, and Democrat Paul Simon of Illinois leads all congressional candidates in money from labor PAC's.

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#90232u0680 08/20/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 20) UPI - A hijacking drama ended today in Pakistan when a group of Soviet convicts being moved from a prison in eastern Siberia surrendered to authorities after hijacking a Soviet domestic flight to Karachi. A Pakistani government spokesman says the hijackers are in government custody and are being questioned. All passengers aboard the Soviet plane were reported to be safe.

The Canadian National Railway resumed freight operations between Toronto and Winnipeg yesterday after Ojibwa Indians agreed to remove their

blockade. Officials say the Indians agreed to comply with a court injunction. The Indians want their reserve expanded, and want improvements in living conditions.

The home of exiled Bolshevik revolutionary Leon Trotsky in Mexico has been restored, and re-opens to the public today... 50 years after he was killed in the house. Trotsky, exiled from the Soviet Union in 1929, settled in Mexico in 1936. He was killed by a Stalinist agent who struck him with a mountaineering ax.

Bulgarian schoolchildren will see some changes in their education when school starts September 15th. The official Bulgarian news agency says the curriculum is being de-Stalinized... which means works by Bulgarian writers noted mainly for their ''Social realism'' will be dropped. Previously, the children were required to read poems with titles such as ''Life-giving Bulgaro-Soviet Friendship.''

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#90232u0713 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney says the United Arab Emirates have agreed to host U-S military cargo planes that will ferry food, ammunition and weapons into Saudi Arabia. Cheney is on a four-day tour of U-S military operations in the Middle East. President Bush is taking a break from his summer vacation in Maine to meet with military and economic advisers in Washington today. Bush also will address the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Baltimore.

The United States has rejected Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's offer to free all Westerners- if U-S forces leave the region. There are reports that dozens of Americans are being moved to strategic Iraqi installations to be used as ''human shields'' against any potential U-S offensive.

A Pakistani government spokesman says a group of convicts who hijacked a Soviet Aeroflot passenger airliner surrendered today in Karachi. All 29 passengers are reported to be safe... and authorities are questioning the convicts. The inmates were being tranported from one Soviet prison to another yesterday when they overpowered their guards and demanded the plane fly to Pakistan.

Behavioral psychologist B-F Skinner has died at 86 of complications from leukemia. Skinner was regarded as a ''legend in his own time'' for his theories on human nature that assert people behave according to their environment. The Harvard University professor believed organisms have very little or NO ''free will'' and act according to reward and punishment. Skinner died in Cambridge, Massachusetts, on Saturday.

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#90232u0720 08/20/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 20) UPI - Supporters of three youths convicted of raping and beating a female jogger in New York City's Central Park last year say they'll launch a nationwide drive to raise money for an appeal of Saturday's verdict. 16-year-olds Yusuf Salaam and Antron McCray and 15-year-old Raymond Santana were convicted of rape, assault and lesser charges. But they were cleared of the most serious charge- attempted murder.

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#90232u0762 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for August 17: Purchases of 536,807 shares and sales of 641,901 shares including 47,336 shares sold short.

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#90232u0849 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - The Iraqi News Agency is warning all foreign embassies in Kuwait that diplomats and other workers have five days to close their missions. The news agency says after that time all remaining envoys will lose their diplomatic immunity and be treated as any other foreigner. Iraq also confirmed a U-S news report that has moved dozens of Westerners in Iraq to key military installations.

A Soviet hijacking drama ended today in Pakistan. Pakistan's government says 15 convicts who hijacked a Soviet airliner surrendered in Karachi today. All the passengers on the plane are reported safe and the hijackers were arrested. The hijacking began yesterday when convicts in far eastern Siberia disarmed their guards and commandeered an Aeroflot T-U-154. It took off and landed in Tashkent, where authorities negotiated overnight. The plane was refueled and took off with a new flight crew landing in Karachi today.

Officials in Poland say 15 people were killed and 42 people were injured when a passenger train headed from Prague to Warsaw, hit a commuter train near Poland's capital. The Polish news agency, PAP, quotes rail officials as saying the accident occurred when the passenger train apparently ignored a stop signal. Rescuers found all 15 of those killed and most of the 42 injured in the last car of the commuter train, after the

Prague-to-Warsaw train slammed into it.

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#90232u0906 08/20/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 20) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE U.S.A.:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	89	67	....
Anchorage sh	58	53	.31
Asheville pc	92	64	....
Atlanta sy	97	75	....
Baltimore r	87	63	.39
Billings ts	82	59	.05
Birmingham hot	103	73	....
Bismarck pc	79	62	....
Boston sy	76	55	.34
Brownsville pc	95	78	....
Buffalo pc	71	60	.37
Burlington Vt. sy	71	49	....
Charleston S.C.pc	94	75	....
Charlotte pc	94	74	....
Chicago r	84	69	.90
Cincinnati ts	92	72	....
Cleveland ts	79	66	.32
Columbus Ohio ts	92	67	.76
Dallas sy	99	77	....
Denver pc	87	55	.36
Des Moines sh	87	70	.32
Detroit r	73	60	.46
Duluth cy	56	49	....
El Paso pc	95	70	....
Evansville pc	96	70	....
Fargo pc	70	53	....
Hartford pc	73	56	.01
Honolulu sy	90	77	....
Houston pc	99	74	....
Indianapolis pc	94	71	....
Jackson Miss. pc	101	72	.03
Jacksonville pc	92	71	....
Kansas City cy	89	69	.23
Las Vegas sy	91	69	....
Little Rock sy	96	77	....
Los Angeles pc	79	65	....
Louisville pc	97	73	....
Memphis hot	97	78	....
Miami Beach ts	88	82	....
Milwaukee r	70	65	.33

Minneapolis cy	65	59	....
Nashville hot	98	73	....
New Orleans pc	98	75	....
New York r	82	59	.01
Oklahoma City pc	90	75	.29
Omaha cy	79	64	....
Orlando pc	92	74	.29
Philadelphia r	89	62	....
Phoenix f	102	83	....
Pittsburgh ts	84	68	1.80
Portland Me. sy	74	50	....
Portland Ore. pc	76	63	.01
Providence pc	75	57	.08
Richmond r	91	73	....
St. Louis ts	96	72	.23
Salt Lake City cy	79	63	.01
San Antonio pc	95	76	....
San Diego pc	74	65	....
San Francisco pc	71	59	....
San Juan pc	92	79	....
Seattle cy	72	57	.03
Spokane sh	70	57	.03
Tampa pc	92	74	....
Washington r	90	65	.57
Wichita sy	89	70	....

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

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#90232u0933 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $407.10, silver base of $5.13 and platinum price of $500.50:

	Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$423.80	425.20
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	217.30	218.00
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	111.50	111.90
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	46.00	46.20
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	423.80	425.20
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	217.30	218.00
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	111.50	111.90
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	46.00	46.20
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	430.60	432.10
China Panda .50 troy oz.	221.80	222.60
China Panda .25 troy oz.	115.10	115.50
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	49.70	49.90
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	29.70	29.80
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	423.70	425.10
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	216.60	217.30
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	109.30	109.70
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	47.00	47.10
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	422.00	423.80
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	218.20	219.10
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	111.90	112.40
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	47.50	47.70
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	422.20	423.70
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	217.10	217.90
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	91.90	92.20
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	48.10	48.30
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.30	24.40

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.52	$6.59
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		

U.S. coinage:	$3,670	$3,720
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,575	$1,600

Platinum

Australian Koala	525.00	528.00
Isle of Man Noble	513.00	517.00
Canada Maple Leaf	530.00	534.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90232u0939 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

GDANSK, POLAND (AUG. 20) UPI - Solidarity leader Lech Walesa affirmed Monday he will run for president of Poland and said the administration of Solidarity Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki has distorted some of the ideals of the movement.

In the first of a series of interviews to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the founding of Solidarity Aug. 31, 1980, Walesa said he will seek to replace Wojciech Jaruzelski, the former Communist Party leader, as president, setting up a possible confrontation with Mazowiecki.

''I am the moral president now,'' he declared, saying it was he who brokered the process last year that installed Jaruzelski and Mazowiecki, as well as putting his former advisers, Adam Michnik and Bronislaw Geremek in prominent positions in Parliament.

''All of them were installed by me,'' he said. ''I gave them too much and now I am being overthrown.''

Previously Walesa had said he would run ''if the circumstances required it.'' Aides now say he will begin his campaign in earnest in September.

Jaruzelski's presidential term expires in 1994 but he has suggested he would step down next year because of the changing political circumstances.

However, Mazowiecki, a former Walesa adviser who openly split with Walesa last spring, and his supporters are reluctant to see the strong-willed union leader in a position that could influence the operations of the Parliament and the army as well as the government.

Walesa said that when Solidarity was founded 10 years ago, he had two goals: to overthrow communism and to build a new political system.

''The first goal was achieved and the second is being implemented,'' he said. ''I swore to achieve these goals. These are the reasons for my moral right to struggle for these reforms.''

Asked whether he felt Mazowiecki and his supporters had betrayed him, he said, ''I will show these elements during the election campaign,'' adding he would not give details now.

''The government of Mazowiecki needs to be needled and I am doing it,'' he said.

Walesa and Mazowiecki broke ranks over the pace of political reform and specifically over the continuing presence in the state bureaucracy of thousands of former communist ''apparatchiks'' who hold managerial jobs and block attempted reforms.

The split has not only divided Solidarity into two warring camps but threatens the administration's tough economic stabilization plan, which has slashed inflation but brought unemployment near to the 1 million mark in this country of 39 million people.

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#90232u0996 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 20) UPI - The two German governments began a final round of negotiations on a unification treaty Monday, one day after East Germany's government coalition collapsed, raising uncertainty over the timing and mechanics of the merger.

The opening of the talks coincided with renewed calls for immediate unification in view of the economic and political crisis in East Germany.

The negotiations, expected to last until Friday, are aimed at establishing a unification treaty that will set down the technical, financial and legal aspects of unification.

It was uncertain whether East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere would manage to obtain the two-thirds parliamentary majority that would be needed for ratification of the document.

The East German Social Democratic Party broke with de Maiziere's ruling coalition Sunday following the dismissal of two SPD cabinet ministers, leaving what is now a conservative government with 192 parliamentary mandates, nine short of a simple majority.

SPD spokesmen said the party would not support the draft unification treaty in its present form because it does not offer East Germans

sufficient guarantees of social security.

If the document is not ratified by a two-thirds vote, the West German Parliament is likely to unilaterally adopt a transitional law after the German Parliament - by majority vote - declares its wish to join the West German federal republic.

The law would contain some of the elements of the treaty.

Officials of the West German opposition SPD and its East German sister party said they would not reject this option, which was first raised by government officials in Bonn.

Oskar Lafontaine, the West German SPD member due to challenge Kohl in Dec. 2 elections, Monday reiterated a call for immediate unification, which is also supported by the Christian Social Union, Kohl's Bavarian partners.

He said the main task ahead was to end the current ''chaos'' in East Germany and that it did not matter much whether a unification treaty or a transitional law is adopted.

Government officials had warned earlier that, because it would only be passed by the West German government, the transitional law would afford East Germans little possibility to influence their own future.

Kohl and de Maiziere said they would be prepared to support the law if necessary, but said they would prefer a unification treaty.

The two German leaders also said they wanted unification on Oct. 14, although they indicated the merger might take place earlier if a transitional law is adopted.

Meanwhile, de Maiziere said that he had also taken on the duties of foreign minister after the post was vacated by SPD member Markus Meckel Monday morning.

Some SPD officials in East and West Germany said they still favored unification immediately after Sept. 12, when the four World War II victors - Britain, France, the Soviet Union, the United States - and the two Germanys meet in Moscow to formalize agreements on the external aspects of unification.

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#90232u1006 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - President Bush spoke to the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Baltimore today, saying Americans being held in Iraq are hostages. Bush earlier held meetings on the economic and energy implications of the

Middle East crisis. Bush flew to Washington last night in another interruption of his vacation in Maine.

The fate of thousands of Westerners in Kuwait and Iraq remains cloudy. Iraq's ambassador to France told T-V interviewers that Westerners in Iraq were moved to key military bases to be used human shields against attack. State Department officials say they can NOT confirm NOR deny the report.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl invited the opposition Social Democratic Party to begin talks on possible German participation in an international military force in the Persian Gulf. The talks are in advance of meetings tomorrow in Paris of the nine members of the Western European Union. The union's expected to discuss joint action in the gulf.

At least four countries- Italy, Belgium, Holland and West Germany- have expressed willingness to join a European naval task force. Britain and France already have ships in the Persian Gulf. Plans for the Western European Union meeting come amid criticism Europe has been slow to adopt a unified military position after the August 2nd Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Clerics, community leaders and politicians in South Africa are pressuring the leaders of rival black factions to stop the violence by their followers. Eight days of fighting in townships near Johannesburg has claimed at least 363 lives and caused injuries to 14-hundred others. African National Congress supporters are battling members of the Zulu Inkatha movement.

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#90232u1029 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Donald Trump has a few more weeks before his alleged relationship with model Marla Maples could come under the spotlight in court.

Trump had been scheduled to appear in court Monday for a hearing on a complaint filed by the developer's estranged wife, Ivana, but his lawyers reported the Manhattan state Supreme Court judge in the case had agreed to an indefinite postponement.

Trump's lawyers said no new date had been set and they were still preparing their case. They said the next court date probably would be in the autumn.

Justice Phyllis Gangel-Jacobs recently ruled the real estate mogul could be questioned by Ivana's attorneys about Maples.

The judge even said there were possible Trump ''concealments'' - or hidden assets - that should be considered at trial.

Ivana Trump brought her husband to court over an agreement they signed on Christmas Eve 1987 that would award her $25 million and certain properties should the couple separate.

Ivana's lawyers say she is entitled to a larger share of her husband's fortune, even though Trump's attorney, Jay Goldberg, calls the agreement rock solid.

Ivana Trump's attorney, Michael Kennedy, claims the deal was fraudulently obtained.

The lawyer said the document was obtained by Trump as he pledged his love under false pretenses - while he was dating Maples on the side.

Kennedy said that if his client knew of any extramarital affair she would not have signed the agreement.

Since the couple's separation earlier this year, Trump's fortunes have taken a few turns for the worse, as he failed to meet a deadline to make interest payments on bonds that financed one of his New Jersey casinos.

The New Jersey Casino Control Commission said it will rule Tuesday on Trump's plan plan to meet interest payments on more than $1 billion of his debt with a $65 million emergency loan.

If the plan is rejected he would have to surrender his interest in his three casinos and, according to his attorneys, be forced into bankruptcy.

He previously made a deal with 70 banks to handle delayed debt deadlines to help him through his cash flow crunch, which hit just prior to the unveiling of his latest prize, the Taj Mahal casino in Atlantic City.

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#90232u1050 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 136.90-144.50 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $265.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.00-$115.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $476.75-$481.50; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $114.00-$122.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 291.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 20) UPI - A survey of agricultural bankers in the Seventh Federal Reserve District indicates conditions in rural credit markets were fairly steady during the second quarter, the bank reported Monday.

Loan demand was strong and banks had ample money available for lending to farmers in the five-state area of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, and Wisconsin.

Economist Peter Heffernan, writing in the bank's Agricultural Letter, said interest rates charged on farm loans stabilized following earlier declines while the measure of repayment rates on loans to farmers dropped slightly from the high levels of earlier surveys.

"Nevertheless, further improvements in the overall conditions of farm loan portfolios at banks in the district were noted," he said. "Those who responded to the survey expect farm lending at their institutions to

continue expanding during the summer months, especially for operating funds and farm machinery purchases."

Thirty-six percent of the bankers reported an increase in farm-loan demand during the spring quarter, 18 percent reported a decline and the remainder said there was no change from year-ago levels.

Farm loan demand was greatest in Iowa and Indiana, Heffernan said, Wisconsin was average and Illinois and Michigan bankers reported somewhat lower than average demand.

"The strengthening trend in farm loan demand that has been apparent from the survey during the last few years has coincided with rising loan-to-deposit ratios at the district's agricultural banks," he said. "At the end of the second quarter, the ratio of 56.5 percent was more than one percentage point higher than the previous three months."

Interest rates charged on loans to farmers were virtually unchanged from April through June. The average rates charged on feeder cattle and operating loans held at about 11.9 percent at the end of June and 11.1 percent on farm real estate loans.

"Agricultural banks in Iowa continued to report the lowest mortgage rates, averaging 10.9 percent," Heffernan said. "The rate was 11.3 percent in Indiana and 11.6 percent in Michigan, while Illinois and Wisconsin rates were near the average."

He said the continuing improvement also was evident in the bankers' evaluations of the condition of their loan portfolios. The average proportion of farm portfolios with little or no repayment problems was just over 95 percent, up from 94 percent one year ago. Consequently, the proportion falling into more severe repayment categories continued to decline.

"Since the mid 1980s, higher levels of guaranteed lending have offset a portion of the declines in direct lending to farmers by the Farmers Home Administration," Heffernan said. "The survey indicates almost 70 percent of the respondents have farm loans secured by an FmHA guarantee with the proportion ranging from under 50 percent in Indiana to just over 90 percent in Iowa."

Bankers said the volume of farm lending, which has been trending upward the past few years, will likely show additional growth during the third quarter of 1990.

"More than one-fourth of the bankers expect operating loan volume to be above year-ago levels during the third quarter, while fewer than 17 percent forsee a decline," Heffernan said.

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DETROIT (AUG. 20) UPI - The United Auto Workers will announce Aug. 28 which of the nation's Big Three automakers it will choose as its strike target, a union spokeswoman said Monday.

The UAW's International Executive Board will meet Aug. 27 to review the bargaining that began with General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler in late July to replace existing agreements covering over 500,000 auto workers that expire Sept. 14.

Traditionally, the UAW selects one of the Big Three automakers where it concentrates its efforts, hoping the other two will sign a similar, or "pattern" agreement.

UAW President Owen Bieber spent Monday morning at industry leader GM, telling negotiators to pick up the pace of the talks, with only 25 days left until the expiration date.

"He indicated to bargainers that while the pace has been slow, an agreement might still be possible if the company were to come to the table with a substantial proposal," UAW spokesman Reg McGhee said. Bieber is scheduled to briefly visit Ford on Wednesday and Chrysler on Thursday, McGhee said.

The union is widely expected to select industry giant GM as its target because that's where the issue of job security seems to most seriously challenged, experts say.

"GM is where the issues are," said one UAW official who asked not to be named, adding that Ford, picked as the target during the last round of bargaining in 1987, hasn't closed plants during the past three years while GM has, using the term "indefinite idlings" instead of closures to do so.

Also bolstering observers' expectations that GM will be this year's target is UAW Vice President Stephen Yokich, who is heading the union's efforts at the No. 1 carmaker. Yokich, who led the UAW's talks with Ford in 1987, is the union's most experienced top bargainer and heir apparent to Bieber. In 1987, the UAW and Ford agreed to extended talks nearly two days past the strike deadline to reach a settlement.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period Year Earlier
Canstar Sports (2nd Q 6-30)
$59,400,000 $36,300,000
a-$2,800,000 (.16) $2,400,000 (.14)
a-Includes a pre-tax gain of $1.5 million.

Data Design (4th Q 6-30)
$23,528,000 $22,948,000
d-$2,488,000 d-$1,707,000
d-Deficit.

Hurco Cos (3rd Q 7-31)
$24,676,000 $23,537,000
$1,055,000 (.19) $2,246,000 (.45)

K Mart Corp (2nd Q 8-1)
$7,785,000,000 $7,006,100,000
$148,000,000 (.74) $145,000,000 (.72)

Parker & Parsley (2nd Q 6-30)
$15,908,000 $15,649,000
$1,930,000 (.37) $1,937,000 (.33)

Petrominerals (2nd Q 6-30)
$1,602,000 $1,667,000
d-$109,000 d-$41,000
d-Deficit.

Pinnacle Envrmntl (1st Q 6-30)
$1,689,635 $1,799,579
$156,478 (.08) $100,141 (.07)

Professional Care (3rd Q 6-30)
$4,677,000 $6,043,000
d-$5,273,000 $335,000 (.09)
d-Deficit. Includes one-time charges of $4,950,000 for settlement of all of its outstanding legal issues and $509,000 for disposal of computer equipment.

Raven Indus (2nd Q 7-31)
$21,432,000 $21,808,000
$1,331,000 (.42) $1,230,000 (.38)

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(AUG. 20) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
USUAL				
Acme Electric	Q	.08	9-17	8-29
American Colloid	Q	.11	9-12	9-4
Badger Meter Inc	Q	.15 1/8	9-14	8-31
Del-Val Finl	M	.16	9-4	8-28
Dominion Resources	Q	.83	9-20	8-31
Dresser Industries	Q	.27 1/2	9-20	9-4
Ecolab Inc	Q	.16 1/2	10-15	9-18
First Comml Bncshs	Q	.16	8-31	8-14
Firstbank of IL	Q	.20	10-1	9-14
Fremont General	Q	.20	10-31	9-28
Intl Multifoods	Q	.29 1/2	10-15	9-28
KC Southern Indus	Q	.27	9-18	8-28
Knape & Vogt Mfg	Q	.14	9-7	8-24
Moore Corp Ltd	Q	.23 1/2	10-1	8-31
Pansophic Systems	Q	.05	10-11	9-8
Reynolds Metals	Q	.45	10-1	9-7
Ryder System	Q	.15	9-20	9-7
US Bancorp	Q	.25	10-5	9-17
Whitman Corp	Q	.26 1/2	10-1	9-7

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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CHICAGO (AUG. 20) UPI - The grain market recovered from its opening weakness and was mostly higher at midmorning Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

A wave of selling pressured prices to session lows, but the market recovered on a pick-up in buying interest. Some of the demand was said to be short-covering.

Follow-through buying was evident in corn and soybeans in a continuation of Friday's late rally.

The lack of rain in southern sections of the Soybean Belt contributed to the gains in soybeans, while corn prices turned higher on the possibility of damage to the crop from substantial rain during the weekend.

November soybeans rallied to $6.32 1/2 per bushel, then gave up some of the gains to profit-taking.

Wheat futures were narrowly mixed in choppy trading. The lack of export business continued to pressure the wheat.

Country movement was light and basis levels were mixed.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.53 up 2 1/4; Dec 2.46 3/4 up 1 1/4; Mar 2.55 1/4 up 1 1/4.

Soybeans Aug 6.16 1/2 up 1 1/2; Sep 6.18 up 1; Nov 6.30 1/2 up 1 3/4; Jan 6.43 up 1 3/4.

Wheat Sep 2.82 3/4 up 1/2; Dec 2.97 unch; Mar 3.06 3/4 up 1/4.

Oats Sep 1.17 up 1 1/4; Dec 1.28 3/4 up 3/4; Mar 1.39 1/2 up 1/2.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - President Bush says the Americans and other Westerners being held in Iraq and Kuwait are in fact hostages. Bush says he'll hold Iraq responsible for their ''safety and well-being.'' The president also told a Veterans of Foreign Wars convention in Baltimore today that leaders who use citizens as pawns will receive- what he termed- ''the scorn and condemnation of the entire world.''

An unconfirmed French television report today says Iraq is holding a group of Americans near an electrical plant outside of Baghdad. The report says an UNdetrmined number of U-S citizens are being held in mobile homes outside the Iraqi capital to form a human shield around the plant. Political analysts in Paris say Iraq may have fed the information as part of propaganda to prevent U-S attacks on the plant.

A New York congressman and his wife pleaded innocent today to federal embezzlement charges involving a church-sponsored senior citizens housing project in Queens. About 250 supporters gathered at federal court in Brooklyn, where Representative Floyd Flake and his wife were released without bail pending a hearing October 2nd. The couple is accused of conspiring to defraud the I-R-S, embezzling funds and tax evasion.

Real estate mogul Donald Trump gained a few more weeks before his alleged relationship with model Marla Maples gets the spotlight in court. Trump had been scheduled to appear today in a hearing on a complaint filed by his estranged wife Ivana. Lawyers for Trump say the judge agreed to an indefinite postponement. They say the next hearing may be held in the fall.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) UPI - The Army provided a set of APO numbers Monday

to make it easier for relatives and friends of soldiers sent to Saudi Arabia to get mail to those posted to the desert kingdom.

The special Army Postal Office numbers for use during Operation Desert Shield will speed delivery of personal mail by reducing the sorting needed to get items delivered, the service said.

Despite the new numbers, items addressed to soldiers' home stations will be sent on to Saudi Arabia but could be delayed. Generally, it will take about 10 days for a letter to reach Saudi Arabia from the United States, the Army said.

There are some temporary restrictions on mail to aid delivery. The major limit is that personal mail is limited to first class, but can be up to 12 ounces and include audio cassettes. Local Postal Service offices can provide details on other restrictions.

The numbers, units and military postal abbreviations:

101st ABN Div (AA) 09309

82nd ABN Div 09656

24 Inf Div (M) 09315

1st COSCOM Ft Bragg 09657 (129th Postal Co/Non Div)

197th INF BDE 09315

11th ADA BDE 09656

3rd ACR 09209

Soldiers and correspondents should address letters this way:

Rank, full name, Social Security number

Operation Desert Shiled

APO New York, 09XXX

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SEATTLE (AUG. 20) UPI - The Boeing Co. unveiled its production plant for the B-2 Stealth bomber in Seattle in a blatant bid to save the

controversial aircraft.

"We need to spread the other side of the story," Boeing's B-2 program manager, Dale Shellorn, told reporters Sunday after members of the news media and hundreds of Boeing employees trooped through the two massive B-2 production buildings at Boeing's south Seattle compound.

Shellhorn said Boeing employs about 10,000 workers on the Stealth. Several thousand of them in the Puget Sound area will lose their jobs within two years if a House proposal succeeds in limiting the number of the bat-wing aircraft to 15, he said. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney has already cut the government's order to 75 planes from the original 132.

But Shellhorn said Boeing would likely shift some of those laid off in further B-2 cutbacks to its newest commercial project, the still-to-be-launched 777 twinjet.

The program began ten years ago. "For eight of those ten years," said Boeing spokesman John Kvasnosky, "people who worked here couldn't even say what they were doing."

Boeing's military airplane division makes more than half the parts of the B-2, including the wings, the rear part of the fuselage, the landing gear, the bomb bay and the fuel tanks. Finished parts are flown from Seattle to Palmdale, Calif., where they are assembled by the program's prime contractor, Northrop Corp.

During Sunday's tour, only part of the B-2 production operation was shown and Boeing kept finished components of the aircraft shrouded under tarpaulins distorted to hide their shape.

Boeing officials also declined to discuss the plane's paint finish, designed to absorb rather than reflect radar beams. The completed stealth made its first public appearance this year at Northrop's Palmdale plant.

Shellhorn said the B-2's 172-foot wingspan is the most difficult part of the plane to construct. The wings are built up from layers of six-foot-wide carbon-based graphite tape laid on a frame. The tape, chilled to keep it malleable, is eventually cooked under pressure at 350 to 450 degree Fahrenheit in two 90-foot-long ovens at the plant.

The graphite composite is lighter and stronger than conventional aircraft construction materials such as aluminum and titanium, Shellhorn said. The composite is also more difficult to spot on radar. Shellhorn said Boeing is studying how to adapt some of the stealth technology to the 777.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 20) UPI - President Corazon Aquino ruled out Monday the declaration of a state of emergency to deal with rebel soldiers saying the right-wing renegades do not have the capability to oust her.

Aquino said she would not seek emergency power after a weekend in which four bombs rocked metropolitan Manila. The bomb attacks apparently were launched to embarrass military officials who on Friday placed the 159,000-member Armed Forces of the Philippines on red alert - the maximum state of military preparedness.

Right-wing rebels were suspected of spraying a police substation with gunfire early Monday in the suburban town of Mandaluyong, wounding a 12-year-old boy, police said.

''As of now there is no necessity'' of declaring a state of emergency, Aquino said during a regular news conference. She was asked if she planned to seek special emergency powers to deal with threats from Honason and right-wing rebels.

''The military rebels do not have any capability of mounting a coup (attempt). ... What we are up against are terrorists,'' Aquino said.

Aquino also said she was proceeding with her plan to attend the coronation in November of Japanese Emperor Akihito.

The bomb explosions over the weekend caused minor damage to a food company a police station near the presidential palace, a shopping mall and the Justice Department building. A security guard at the RFM food company was injured.

Officials said they were taking seriously threats by Honosan to resume hostilities against Aquino. The renegade colonel led an uprising last Dec. 1 to 9 in which 119 people were killed and more than 500 were wounded.

The 41-year-old Honasan said ''tactical operations'' would be undertaken after Aquino ignored his proposals for a cease fire in the face of the devastation caused by the July 16 earthquake and the crippling economic impact of the Persian Gulf conflict.

''Were trying our best to stop them,'' said Maj. Gen. Rodolfo Biazon, chief of the military capital command. But he said it was difficult to stop one or two ''terrorists'' from throwing bombs at no specific targets.

Aquino's government has crushed six insurrections since she took power in a civilian-backed military revolt in 1986.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Rep. Floyd Flake, D-N.Y., and his wife, Margarett, pleaded innocent Monday to federal embezzlement charges and were released without bail pending an Oct. 2 court hearing.

About 250 supporters of the Queens congressman gathered at U.S. District Court in downtown Brooklyn as Flake was arraigned on the indictment, which was handed up Aug. 2.

The indictment charges that Flake and his wife skimmed money for their own use from the church-sponsored senior citizens housing project in Queens.

''We'll find out at the trial that we're not guilty,'' Flake said. ''I am not guilty. I am not an embezzler. My record speaks for itself.''

Asked by reporters if he thought black politicians were being harrassed, Flake, a popular black congressman, responded, ''I don't want to get into all that. I don't want the press to paint me into the corner of ethnicity.''

The indictment accuses the couple of conspiracy to defraud the Internal Revenue Service, embezzling funds, tax evasion and filing false tax returns and false certified financial statments for a non-profit corporation.

Assistant U.S. Attorney William Muller told Judge Eugene Nickerson during the arraignment that ''there is quite a bit of documentary evidence'' supporting the charges against Flake.

The charges, stemming from a two-year investigation into the alleged misapproriation of a $10 million federal House and Urban Development loan award in 1982 to the church for the housing project, were apparently unrelated to Flake's work as a congressman.

Flake was indicted on 17 separate counts, nine of which also charge his wife.

If convicted, each could face up to 10 years in prison and a $250,000 fine on the two most serious charges, defrauding HUD.

The 45-year-old Flake, an ordained minister who heads the Allen African Mehtodist Church in Jamaica, Queens, was first elected to represent the 6th District in southeast Queens in 1986.

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PITTSBURGH (AUG. 20) UPI - The steel beverage can recycling rate shot up more than 39 pecent for the first half of 1990 to total more than 700 million cans, the Steel Can Recycling Institute of Pittsburgh reported Monday. The institution said the recycling rate for the first six months of the year was 30.1 percent, up 39.3 percent over the 1989 beverage can recycling rate.

"While it is unusual to announce a recycling rate for the first half of a year, we're proud of this tremendous progress," said Kurt Smalberg, president of the institute. "As more and more beverage producers convert to steel, we're moving rapidly to develop the necessary beverage can recycling infrastructure in the new market areas."

Steel beverage cans are constructed with a steel body and an aluminum lid and often are referred to as bimetal cans. The entire can is directly recyclable by steel mills. The aluminum end on the can enhances the steelmaking process by providing additional energy to the process, institute officials said. Steel beverage cans also may be shredded and detinned prior to being recycled at the mills.

Steel beverage cans are considered easily recyclable because they can be sorted by using magnets. The cans also are recycled through Coinbak reverse vending machines that have been placed in Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania and North and South Carolina, officials said.

The Steel Can Recycling Institute is the primary information and technical resource for legislators, municipalities, recyclers, businesses and other entities interested in steel can recycling.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Mondayday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 58-61.

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ABU DHABI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (AUG. 20) UPI - The United Arab Emirates has agreed to host U.S. military cargo planes and hundreds of Air Force personnel as part of the effort to defend the region against a potential

Iraqi attack, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney announced Monday.

Cheney met with crew members of Air Force C-130 cargo planes, which were already visible at the Bateen Air Base.

The defense chief made the announcement after meeting with the ruler of Abu Dhabi, Sheik Zayed Bin Sultan al-Nahyan, and a day after the gulf nation announced it had agreed to allow forces ''from some Arab and friendly countries to participate in Arab and international efforts aimed at the defense of the area.''

The United States has moved into the UAE 16 C-130 cargo planes and a squadron from the 314th Tactical Airlift Wing from Little Rock Air Force Base, Ark., which includes more than 500 Air Force personnel, said Col. Dave Mason, commander of the 314th.

Mason said the task in the UAE was to pick up food, ammunition and weapons from other parts of the region and fly them to U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia the focal point of Operation Desert Shield - the U.S. military mission aimed at deterring Iraqi aggression.

The UAE has built more than 50 air-conditioned trailers at the Bateen Air Base to house its American military guests, said Mason, who added his squadron would remain at the base for an indefinite period.

The United Arab Emirates sits at the southen end of the Persian Gulf and borders Saudi Arabia to the east.

Cheney said Sunday that U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf region are now strong enough to make Baghdad ''pay a price'' if Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is ''foolish enough'' to invade Saudi Arabia.

Cheney, on a four-day trip to assess Washington's response to the Gulf crisis, added a stop in Doho, Qatar, Pentagon aides said Monday, putting his journey even further behind the initial schedule.

Cheney said the United States had no immediate plans of significantly upgrading its current troop deployment schedule.

''The total size of the final deployment will depend on future developments,'' Cheney said. ''We have got sufficient forces in the country that, should Saddam Hussein be foolish enough to launch an attack on Saudi Arabia, we would do an effective job of making him pay a price.''

Cheney said on his flight from the United States that he could not predict how long U.S. troops might remain in Saudi Arabia, but added the commitment was ''longterm'' and he could not speculate on the size of the force ''one or two years from now.''

U.S. sources said the Pentagon intends to deploy three brigades of Marines - about 45,000 troops - with full armor and artillery as a deterrent against more than 170,000 Iraqi troops based in Kuwait and in position to threaten Saudi Arabia.

At least one brigade has arrived and is stationed near the border about 170 miles north of Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, with troops of the Army's 82nd and 101st airborne divisions.

The sources said the other two brigades were en route by land and sea to bolster the 95,000-strong Saudi military, which is also being supported by ground forces from Britain, Egypt, Morocco, Syria and soon Pakistan and Bangladesh.

In addition, the Air Force Sunday deployed a second squadron of 22 F-117A stealth fighters to the Middle East. The planes flew from Nevada to Langley Air Forcae Base, Va., Sunday and were due to leave Monday afternoon for Saudi Arabia. The first squadron, also 22 planes, was sent earlier to Incirlik Air Base in southern Turkey, which borders Iraq to the north.

Asked whether Saudis or Americans control the military force, he said an agreement had been reached with Riyadh under which American constitutional requirements that the president remain supreme commander were satisfied, and Saudi concerns about sovereignty were also respected.

Cheney met troops Sunday in 104-degree heat. He was taken to see an Apache attack helicopter and a Patriot ground-to-air missile site. The missiles are designed to hit planes and incoming missiles and are thought to be the best defense against a possible Iraqi attack with Soviet-supplied Scud missiles, potentially tipped with chemical warheads.

During the tour, he met with U.S. paratroopers from the 82nd Airborne Division from Fort Bragg, N.C., F-15 pilots from Langley and members of an air-defense Patriot missile battery from Fort Bliss, Texas.

While Cheney viewed the base, F-15 fighters took off, ripping across the sky to join a 24-hour patrol along the Saudi-Kuwaiti border.

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OMAHA (AUG. 20) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 1,600; trading on slaughter steers and heifers opened slow, turning moderately active. prices both classes 1.00-1.50 lower than last Tuesday; slaughter cows and bulls near steady with Wednesday; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-3, few 4s 1100-1350 lb 75.50-76.50, load and package

77.00, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 74.50-76.00, select No 2-3 72.00-74.50; holsteins select and choice No 2-3 1100-1350 lb 68.50-69.70; heifers choice No 2-3, few 4s 1000-1150 lb 75.00-76.50, select and choice No 2-3 950-1100 lb 73.00-75.50, select No 2-3 71.00-73.00; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4; breaking 54.00-58.00, boning 56.00-58.00, canner and low cutter 50.00-55.00.

Hogs slaughter 1,800; butchers 1.00-1.25 lower, No 1-3 220-250 lb 56.50 to mostly 57.00, No 1-2 210-230 lb unevenly 55.00-56.50, No 2-3 250-280 lb 55.50-56.50, No 1-3 shipment, 252 lb 56.75; sows 30 percent, under 500 lb steady to 1.00 lower, over 500 lb 1.00-1.50 lower, No 1-3 350-500 lb 50.00-50.50, some 450-500 lb 50.50-51.00, dozen head 51.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 52.50-53.00.

Sheep 300; slaughter spring lambs 1.00 lower, slaughter ewes steady, slaughter spring lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb 52.00-54.00, 100-120 lb 47.00-51.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good 13.00-17.00.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 20) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 51-57.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) UPI - President Bush signed legislation Monday that makes permanent the 7-year-old Caribbean Basin Initiative and brings U.S. customs fees into compliance with world trade rules.

In a written statement, Bush said the Customs and Trade Act of 1990 should help promote expanded trade with hemispheric neighbors and the countries of Eastern Europe.

In particular, he applauded its extension of the range of products eligible for preferential duty treatment under the Caribbean Basin Initiative and its amendment of procedures affecting pending trade agreements with the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia.

Bush also said a newly enacted structure for U.S. customs user fees, following a finding in 1988 that the old system violated the multilateral General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, underscored the U.S. commitment to GATT rules ''at a critical point'' in negotiations on new world trade regulations.

The law also makes permanent a ban on the export of unprocessed logs taken from federal lands in some Western states, which Bush welcomed as a move to preserve the ''critical habitat'' of the endangered northern spotted owl.

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VIENNA (AUG. 20) UPI - OPEC Monday rejected Saudi Arabia's request for a special meeting to raise the oil cartel's output to compensate for oil lost in the embargo of exports from Iraq and Kuwait.

In a statement, OPEC President Sadek Boussena said a special meeting of the 13-member cartel would not be held since the Saudi proposal had "not been able to secure the necessary support." He said approval by a simple majority of seven members was required before such a meeting could be held.

But because of the situation in world oil markets, where prices have rocketed about $8 a barrel, or 40 percent, since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, Boussena said he had taken the "initiative to meet some OPEC oil ministers for consultations before the end of the month."

Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer told a news conference Saturday said his country would raise its daily output by two million barrels even if the other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries refused to up production. Saudi Arabia is currently limited to 5.4 million barrels a day under its OPEC quota.

"We do not necessarily say (to the members) that we want to take unilateral action, but if they refuse they leave us no alternative," Nazer said.

The United Arab Emirates and Venezuela are other OPEC members with excess capacity. Each had been expected to raise output by about 500,000 barrels a day to help offset the world shortfall created by the embargo. Iraq and Kuwait had been exporting a total of about four million barrels of crude daily prior to the invasion.

Venezuela has said, however, that it would not raise output without approval by the cartel. Whether a consultative meeting of only some members would be sufficient approval for Venezuela remains to be seen.

In addition to Iraq, it is believed Indonesia, Nigeria, Libya, Iran and

Algeria are OPEC members opposed to the special meeting of the cartel. Occupied Kuwait's status in the cartel appears uncertain at this time.

Brazil and some Pacific Rim countries as well as the Kuwaiti-owned refineries in Europe are being particularly hard hit by the embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude.

Saudi Arabia last week informed large U.S. and Japanese oil companies that it was reallocating its exports to meet the needs of those hit hardest by the embargo.

But the order was quickly rescinded after strong protests by the customers hurt by the reallocation. The Saudis then announced Saturday they would raise output unilaterally if OPEC approval could not be obtained. "We will not let the countries of the third world go down the drain," Nazer said.

An alternative for making up for the oil lost from the embargo would be to take oil from the emergency reserves built up by the industrialized nations since the oil crises of the 1970s.

But 11 days ago in a meeting in Paris, representatives of 21 industrialized nations of the International Energy Agency decided that the situation created by the Iraqi invasion was not severe enough to warrant dipping into the reserves. "We're not in a crisis situation," said John Easton, assistant secretary of the U.S. Energy Department, following the IEA meeting.

In a Tehran dispatch Monday, the OPEC cartel's Opecna news agency reported Iranian Oil Minister Gholamreza Aghazadeh as saying consumer countries were in a position to meet their oil requirements for at least 90 days by drawing down their strategic reserves. In addition, he said these countries had an estimated surplus of 180 million barrels of oil in private floating stock.

In a dispatch from Riyadh, Opecna also quoted "an official source" at the Saudi oil ministry as denying Nazer had said the kingdom would produce two million barrels more of oil with or without OPEC approval.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - President Bush says Americans in Iraq and occupied Kuwait are ''hostages'' and he warns that Baghdad is responsible for their safety. Speaking in Baltimore to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Bush warned Iraq's Saddam Hussein- quote- ''leaders who use citizens as pawns deserve and will receive the scorn and condemnation of the entire world.'' Bush says Saddam's offer to trade Americans for concessions means that- ''they are in fact hostages.''

Saudi Arabia has failed in its attempt to get fellow OPEC nations to discuss raising the oil cartel's output. OPEC today rejected a Saudi request to hold a special meeting because of a lack of support among its 13 members. Saudi Arabia wanted to boost the cartel's output to compensate for oil lost by the embargo of exports from Iraq and Kuwait.

French television says an UNdetermined number of Americans trapped in Iraq are being held in mobile homes near an electical plant in Baghdad. There was NO immediate confirmation of the report. It also cites an UNnamed official at Iraq's Information Ministry as saying U-S pilots shot down will- quote- ''be immediately eaten'' by Iraqis, facing death by cannibalism.

Three former Northwest Airlines pilots were found guilty today of flying a jetliner while under the influence of alcohol. A U-S District Court jury in Minneapolis returned the verdict today after deliberating nearly 10 hours during a period of three days. Sentencing has been postponed until after completion of a pre-sentence investigation. The pilots drank heavily the night before their flight from Fargo, North Dakota, to Minneapolis.

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NEW BEDFORD, MA (AUG. 20) UPI - A former lawyer pleaded innocent to murder charges Monday in the death of one of nine women believed to be victims of a serial killer.

Kenneth Ponte, 40, of New Bedford was ordered held on $500,000 surety, or $50,000 cash bail, on an indictment charging him with the 1988 assault and beating death of 28-year-old Rochelle C. Dopierla of Falmouth.

The indictment, returned Friday and unsealed Monday, charged Ponte with one count of first-degree murder.

Ponte, who has long acknowledged he is the prime suspect in the slayings but denied any involvement, entered a plea of ''Absolutely not guilty, your honor,'' at his arraignment in Bristol County Superior Court.

Dopierla was one of nine women killed. Their bodies were found along highways in southeastern Massachusetts between July 1988 and April 1989.

Most of the victims were linked to New Bedford's Weld Square, an area known for drugs and prostitution. Authorities fear two other women reported missing also have been killed.

The slayings have haunted the working class city, one a renowned whaling port, for two years, and triggered the most complex murder investigation

since the Boston Strangler case of the 1960s.

Dopierla's body was found off Interstate 195. According to court documents filed by the office Bristol County District Attorney Ronald Pina, Ponte may have been the last person to see Dopierla alive before she disappeared in April 1988.

The indictment ended months of speculation that the former New Bedford lawyer, who knew several of the victims, would be charged in the serial killings.

Ponte has repeatedly insisted he was not involved in the killings, but told a Rhode Island radio station Friday night he was ready to face any charges.

''If, in fact, it has been me that has been indicted, I'm prepared to face this in court, and I am positive that justice will triumph in the end,'' he said.

The special grand jury empaneled to probe the slayings has met at irregular intervals since March 1989 and met for five consecutive days last week - fueling speculation that an indictment was imminent. When the grand jury finally returned a document late Friday afternoon, it was immediately sealed at Pina's request.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) UPI - President Bush believes the U.S. oil supply is ''reasonably stable,'' but urges Americans to use self-restraint in energy consumption, a White House spokesman said Monday.

Press secretary Marlin Fitzwater also told reporters that Bush ''is pleased'' that Saudi Arabia has decided to increase its daily oil production by 2 million barrels to help compensate for any shortfall created by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Fitzwater made the remarks in a brief reprise following Bush's meeting with his advisers, including Deputy Energy Secretary Henson Moore, on forthcoming budget negotiations and energy supplies before the president headed for Baltimore to address the Veterans of Foreign Wars convention.

''Overall, we believe we've reached a resonably stable situation with regard to oil supplies,'' he said. ''We do urge people to use self-restraint, however, in their energy use.''

With an Oct. 1 deadline looming, Bush reviewed with key advisers administration efforts to reduce the deficit. Crucial budget summit talks

with congressional leaders resume Sept. 6 and 7 in the seclusion of suburban Andrews Air Force Base.

After the Oval Office meeting, Fitzwater said ''the president feels the negotiations are on track. We're getting ready to work with Congress. We will have a significant package to put on the table when they negotiations resume.''

The budget deficit is now estimated to be $169 billion. The Gramm-Rudman reduction target is $64 billion in fiscal 1991 which begins Oct. 1.

Bush then flew to Baltimore to address the Veterans of Foreign Wars where he flailed ''budget slashers who are out of tune'' with defense needs in view of the crisis in the Persian Gulf and the need to deter Iraq from further aggression.

''Everyone realizes that the deficit is too large, that it's got to be brought down and that Congress has to act courageously and immediately when it returns from recess,'' he told the veterans.

''But we cannot attack the deficit by attacking the very heart of our armed forces,'' he added. ''I've asked Congress to do what we have done - produce a budget proposal, including defense that is both responsive and responsible and most of all, fair. And when they do, I will listen but not break faith with the troops who are defending our nation.''

''To keep America militarily strong, I will oppose the defense budget slashers who are out of tune with what America needs to keep freedom secure and safe,'' he declared.

He said that in the last 18 days Operation Desert Shield has been a classic case of America's military at its best, referring to the decision to send as many as 100,000 troops to Saudi Arabia to defend U.S. interests safeguard the Persian Gulf oil supplies and protect Americans.

''Desert Shield has shown is that America can ensure the peace by remaining militarily strong,'' he said.

''Most Americans know that when it comes to national defense, finishing second means finishing last,'' he said. ''So they oppose what the House Armed Services Committee suggested: unacceptable cuts from our defense budget for fiscal year 1991.

He cited such missiles as the Peacemaker and the Midgetman as well as the B-2 stealth bomber and the ''Star Wars'' space defense initiative as needed for the nation's security.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) UPI - If White House and congressional budget negotiators fail to agree on a deficit reduction plan by Oct. 1, automatic cuts of $105.7 billion in defense and other programs would be triggered, the administration said Monday.

In its initial report on the potential spending cuts, called sequestration the administration's Office of Management and Budget said that under current law the cuts would total $85.4 billion.

But assuming some likely legislative action before Oct. 1, such as reauthorization of the Food Stamp program and more money to bail out failed savings and loans, ''the final sequester report would rise to $105.7 billion if no deficit reducing legislation were enated,'' the OMB said.

If automatic cuts occur, the agency said, $52.8 billion would be cut from non-exempt defense programs. That is 43.6 percent of the $121.1 billion in defense spending that is not exempt from the cuts. Another $185.4 billion in Pentagon spending would be exempt from the cuts.

President Bush announced earlier this month he would exempt all military personnel accounts from the cuts. Doing so prevents cutbacks in uniformed personnel at a time of the Persian Gulf crisis, the heaviest U.S. military deployment since Vietnam. But the move hits harder on civilian Pentagon personnel and on weapons systems.

A similar $52.8 billion also would be trimmed from non-exempt domestic spending programs. That represents 40.7 percent of the $125.1 billion that would not be exempt from the cuts on Oct. 1.

While Social Security benefits are exempt from the cuts, Medicare benefits are not. But, under the law, cuts in Medicare cannot be reduced by more than 2 percent.

The OMB said 72 percent of the government's spending would be exempt from the cuts, including programs that help poor Americans. That means the remaining 28 percent of all federal programs would feel the full brunt of sequestration.

The new numbers are little changed from the administration's mid-year economic review in July, which put the estimated deficit for fiscal year 1991, which begins Oct. 1, at $168.8 billion.

Since the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law requires that the fiscal 1991 deficit be reduced to $64 billion, the projected deficit for next year was $104.8 billion over the deficit reduction target. So the OMB's latest

projection of $105.7 billion is only slightly higher than the level of possible spending cuts released in July.

Congressional and administration officials both have said that they want to avoid the steep automatic cuts, designed as the discipline to ensure that the deficit reduction targets in the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law are observed.

They have warned that if the cuts are triggered, thousands of federal workers would have to be furloughed and that essential government services such as air traffic controllers, would be seriously cut back. Air traffic control cutbacks, they said, could produce long airport delays for takeoff or landing clearance or could lead to cancellation of hundreds of flights.

White House and congressional budget negotiators have been meeting since May 15 to try to work out a deficit reduction package of about $50 billion in fiscal 1991 and about $500 billion over the next five fiscal years.

As Congress left on its month-long summer recess in early August, the talks were stalled. Negotiators are scheduled to meet again on about Sept. 6 and have given themselves an unofficial deadline of Sept. 10 to reach agreement.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Monday that ''the president feels the negotiations are track. We're getting ready to work with Congress. We will have a significant (deficit reduction) package to put on the table when they negotiations resume.''

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MANAGUA, NICARAGUA (AUG. 20) UPI - Nicaragua's army - the largest in Central America - will be cut to 35,000 troops by 1992, a military spokeswoman said Monday.

Spokeswoman Lt. Col. Rosa Pasos said the Sandinista Popular Army has already been reduced to 40,000 troops from 96,600 since Sandinista rule ended April 25.

President Violeta Chamorro, of the National Opposition Union coalition, is constitutional head of the army. But the military is still controlled by the Sandinistas, who had governed Nicaragua since 1979.

In addition to the troop cuts, Pasos said the Nicaraguan army will be completely restructured by 1992.

A military analyst, who asked not to be identified, said even 35,000 troops would make a big army for Nicaragua.

''Even 35,000 soldiers are too much for Nicaragua, which is not engaged in war and has a population of only 3.5 million,'' the military analyst said. ''Ten thousand soldiers plus police are enough.''

Since Chamorro was elected in February elections, the United States has withdrawn economic sanctions and approved a $300 million aid package, $47 million of it for the disbanding of anti-Sandinista Contra rebels.

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TORONTO (AUG. 20) UPI - Talks aimed at ending a three-week-old strike by more than 15,000 Canadian steelworkers at Stelco Inc. and Algoma Steel Corp. Ltd. were restarted Monday, officials said.

The workers, members of the United SteelWorkers of America, went on strike Aug. 1 after their contracts expired and talks aimed at averting a strike broke down.

Paul Gardner, assistant director of the Office of Mediation, an agency of Ontario's Labor Ministry, said ''full-blown mediation'' between the steel workers and Algoma and a provincial mediator got underway Monday.

Gardner also said ''direct negotiations'' between one steelworkers' local and Stelco have begun.

Gardner, however, refused to comment on the mood of the talks saying only that the role of the Office of Mediation was to ''facilitate discussions'' between the various parties.

Leo Gerard, Ontario director of the USWA, was participating in the Stelco negotiations and could not be reached for comment.

The union is seeking a ''significant'' wage hike, pension improvements and job security guarantees against contracting out in new contracts for its 10,000 Stelco and 5,400 Algoma members.

Talks on a new contract between the USWA and Toronto-based Stelco and Algoma of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario began in May.

Last Wednesday, Gerard announced strike pay totalling about $1.05 million - $635,945 to Stelco workers and $412,764 to Algoma workers - would be paid every week until settlements are reached with the companies.

''The Steelworkers' healthy strike fund is a measure of the solidarity and support that is possible from the entire union to each and every struggle we face,'' Gerard said.

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LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, VA (AUG. 20) UPI - A squadron of the radar-elusive F-117A stealth fighters made a cross-country dash as part of a well-publicized deployment to Saudi Arabia.

The squadron of 22 planes was to leave Monday afternoon on the 12- to 15-hour flight to Saudi Arabia. Defense sources said a reported second squadron of stealth fighters in Turkey was in fact a squadron of the F-111 fighter-bombers.

In sharp contrast to previous stealth secrecy, reporters were invited to accompany the refueling tankers that helped the planes across the country Sunday. Still more reporters were on hand at Langley near Norfolk to watch the jets land and to interview a former stealth pilot.

It was clear the publicity was aimed at impressing an audience of one - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

''The role of the aircraft is to act as a deterrent (to aggression) against Saudi Arabia,'' said Sgt. Bobby Shelton, a spokesman for the 37th Tactical Fighter Wing in Navada, where the squadron is based. ''Should that deterrent fail, the aircraft will be used in any way the United States sees fit to deploy them.''

Although billed as a fighter, the F-117's prime mission is to slip through enemy radar to bomb a variety of targets.

Col. Tony Tolin, a former F-117 wing commander and stealth pilot who was on hand at Langley, said: ''The mission of the airplane ... would be tough to say,'' adding that it could not be considered purely a defensive weapon.

The squadron of F-117A fighters left their base at the Tonopah Test Range Airfield in Nevada, about 140 miles northwest of Las Vegas, for the cross-country trip to Langley Air Force Base, Va., about 11 a.m. EDT. They began arriving at Langley about 4 1/2 hours later.

The Air Force sent a dozen KC-135 Stratotankers, the Air Force's flying gas stations, from Beale Air Force Base in Northern California to refuel the stealth fighters in mid-flight as they winged across the continent.

It is the second time the sleek, arrowhead-shaped stealth fighters have been sent into a combat zone. Two of the aircraft were used when the United States invaded Panama last December.

In a midnight assault on Panama City, the two jets dropped two 2,000-pound

bombs near a Panamanian Defense Forces barracks to stun and disorient the Panamanian forces before Army rangers parachuted into the area.

The plane's unusual angular shape and its coating of exotic composite materials are designed to make it difficult for enemy radar systems to detect it. The single-seat fighter is capable of carrying a variety of weapons, including laser-guided bombs and air-to-ground missiles. Officials would not say if the aircraft is capable of carrying nuclear weapons.

Although military analysts describe the largely Soviet-supplied Iraqi air defense system as third-rate because it has seen little use in the past decade, Tolin said he would not ''sign off the Iraqi defenses as being a second-rate or third-rate defense.''

The Air Force bought 59 of the twin-engine aircraft, and three have crashed since it first started flying in 1981. The last is now rolling down the Lockheed assembly line. They cost $42.6 million each, but when research and development costs are thrown in, the price tag rises to $106 million a copy.

The elder cousin of the B-2 stealth bomber has been such a closely guarded military secret that the Air Force did not even acknowledge its existence until 1988.

The landing at Langley nearly turned into an embarrassment for the Air Force. The fighters use parachutes to help them slow down on landing, but the chute on the last of the planes to land didn't open properly. The jet was stopped by a tail hook that snagged a cable at the end of the runway. The cable was attached to lengths of battleship anchor chain.

The air tankers that took off from Beale also will be flown to southwestern Asia to support the ''Desert Shield'' operation, officials said. The tankers can fly at near sonic speed and at altitudes of up to 50,000 feet, refueling several U.S. and NATO aircraft without slowing down or descending, where jet engines burn fuel more rapidly. The tankers carry 150,000 pounds of fuel; there are 6 1/2 pounds of fuel per gallon.

Col. Thomas Keck, commander for the 9th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing at Beale, said morale is very high among airmen at the base.

''We've built a tanker bridge to get our fighter aircraft over there (to Saudi Arabia),'' Keck said. ''We have never seen higher morale. It's great to see the world on your side.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - The American Stock Exchange reported Monday a membership seat sold on the exchange for $107,500, down $10,000 from the last sale Aug. 3 and its lowest in more than 10 years.

The Amex, which can trace its beginnings to just after the Revolutionary War, said the current bid for a seat on the exchange is $105,000, while the offering price is $115,000.

A spokesman for the Amex said the last time a membership changed hands at its current level was on Jan. 8, 1980 when a seat sold for only $95,000.

Meanwhile, over on the New York Stock Exchange, the NYSE reported a membership seat changed hands at $310,000, down $10,000 from the last sale on Aug. 15.

A spokeswoman for the NYSE said the current bid for a seat is $301,000, while the offering price is $330,000.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - The hijackers of a Soviet jetliner surrendered today in Karachi, Pakistan, to army commandos... ending a two-day ordeal. Paskistani officials say the 15 hijackers surrendered after assurances their request for political asylum would be taken seriously. The convicts hijacked the Soviet jet over Siberia yesterday by overpowering three guards.

Philippine President Corazon Aquino says there's NO need at this time to declare a state of emergency to deal with rebel soldiers. Aquino says the right-wing guerrillas do NOT have the power to oust her government. Today's comments came after four bombs rocked the capital of Manila during the weekend. A 12-year-old boy was wounded today when suspected rebels sprayed a suburban police station with gunfire.

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#90232u1416 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - President Bush says he will hold Iraq responsible for the safety of Americans it is holding. Bush demanded they be released now. Bush finally used the word ''hostages'' in referring to the Americans who had been called ''detainees'' or ''restrictees.'' He said they are being held against their will.

Diplomatic sources say the five permanent members of the U-N Security Council are considering a resolution to let a multi-national group enforce the sanctions against Iraq. The United States is now acting alone. The sources say China has reservations about using military force to stop, and

possibly attack, Iraqi shipping.

OPEC says Saudi Arabia's request for a special meeting to raise oil output has been turned down. OPEC's president said NOT enough nations support the meeting. Saudi Arabia wants more oil pumped to make up for the shortfall caused by the embargo against Iraqi and Kuwaiti petroleum.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says President Bush believes the nation's oil supply is ''reasonably stable.'' But Fitzwater couples the report by saying that Bush also believes Americans should use self-restraint in energy consumption as a result of the current situation in the Middle East.

Three former Northwest Airlines pilots were found guilty today of felony charges of flying a jetliner under the influence of alcohol. A federal jury returned the verdict in Minneapolis after considering the case nearly 10 hours during a three-day period following a two-week trial.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - President Bush has signed legislation to promote trade with nations in the Western Hemisphere and Eastern Europe. The law makes the seven-year-old Caribbean Basin Initiative permanent. Bush praised the law for increasing the number of products that can receive preferential duty treatment under the Caribbean initiative.

South African authorities say factional battles between black groups has spread to previously UNaffected black townships. They say an eighth day of clashes has pushed the death toll to at least 371, with another 14-hundred people injured.

15 convicts who seized a Soviet airliner two days ago while being transferred to a new prison surrendered to authorities in Karachi, Pakistan, today. Authorities say the men gave up after receiving assurances their request for political asylum would be given given serious consideration by Pakistan.

New York Congressman Floyd Flake and his wife pleaded innocent to embezzlement charges today in a Brooklyn federal court. They are charged with skimming money from a senior citizens housing project. The Democratic lawmaker told reporters- quoting here- ''I am NOT guilty. I am NOT an embezzler.''

Former lawyer Kenneth Ponte pleaded innocent in New Bedford, Masssachusetts, today to murder charges in the death of one of nine women believed to be victims of a serial killer. The women's bodies were found along highways in southeastern Massachusetts between July 1988 and April

1989.

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#90232u1432 08/20/1990 ~United Press International
MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 20) UPI - The United States said it would not allow the Philippines to break the economic embargo and send a shipment of food and medicine to Filipinos trapped in occupied Kuwait, officials said Monday.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Manuel Yan said the Philippines wanted to send the shipment through the Red Sea port of Aqaba in Jordan, but that U.S. charge d'affaires Thomas Hubbard nixed the idea, saying ''there is enough foodstuff in Kuwait.''

U.S. Embassy spokesman Stanley Schrager said the United States was doing its best to assist Filipinos in procuring food in Iraq and Kuwait. There are about 60,000 Filipinos in Kuwait and 5,000 in Iraq.

The Philippines earlier lodged a protest with Iraq over reports women from the Philippines had been raped by Iraqi soldiers in the occupied emirate.

Foreign Minister David Levy Monday defended his call for the immediate distribution of gas masks to the public despite reassurances by the military that there was no need for such action.

Political analysts said Levy's statement revealed disagreement within the government over whether to pass out the masks. With the deepening of the gulf crisis, Israelis have become increasingly worried about the possibility of an Iraqi chemicals weapons attack.

Levy told Israel radio that government had stockpiled masks for situations like the current one. The foreign minister said the public's uncertainity was increased by the fear of not knowing how to use gas masks.

Security sources, cited by Army Radio, said the defense establishment stood by its assessment that there was no need for passing out the gas masks at present and expressed anger that Levy had initiated a public debate on the issue.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl and senior Cabinet ministers reportedly agreed Monday that the constitution does not allow the deployment of West German forces in the gulf.

Observers in Bonn said Kohl may seek constitutional amendments so West Germany could join other Western nations moving to enforce an economic embargo against Iraq imposed by the United Nations after the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Experts said the current constitutions say West Germany can only employ troops within the area supervised by NATO, which excludes the gulf.

Five West German minesweepers and two transport ships are on their way to the eastern Mediterranean, which is within the alliance's domain.

Military experts said West Germany may also loan the vessels to U.S. forces.

Greece said it had decided in principle to send ships to the gulf to help enforce an economic embargo against Iraq, but would wait for orders from the United Nations and the European Council.

The two international organizations were meeting Monday to decide whether to order the enforcement of the sanctions, imposed by the United Nations a week after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of tiny, oil-rich Kuwait.

Prime Minister Constantine Mitsotakis said Greece was prepared to send its frigate ''Limnos'' to the gulf.

Socialist opposition leader Andreas Papandreou argued against the establishment of a military blockade, saying it would be illegal.

Two more Italian warships, a frigate and a supply ship, left the southern port of Taranto Monday to join three others already in the eastern Mediterranean, officials said.

The five Italian vessels will initially replace ships from the U.S. Sixth Fleet which normally patrol the Mediterranean and have already moved to the Gulf.

Officials said the crews had been trained to defend themselves against chemical and bacteriological attack and would be given advice by a team of consultant psychologists.

Sources said Bangladesh will fly about 1,200 troops to Saudi Arabia in the next few days to join the multinational force defending the kingdom from possible aggression by Iraqi troops in occupied Kuwait.

Meanwhile, scores of youths gathered in front of the Iraqi Embassy in Dhaka to ask for permission to volunteer in the Iraqi army. A smaller group demonstrated outside of the U.S. Embassy to protest U.S. intervention in the gulf crisis.

Officials said Bangladesh will also dispatch several planes to Saudi Arabia to pick up an estimated 6,400 Bangladesh nationals who fled across the border from Kuwait. Another 450 nationals moved by the Iraqis from

Kuwait to Baghdad will be allowed to leave the country, officials said.

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#90232u1434 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) UPI - Richard L. Strout, former Washington bureau chief for The Christian Science Monitor and a Pulitzer Prize winnner, died at the age of 92, the newspaper's office announced Monday.

Strout, who had suffered a stroke, was considered by many to be a legend in American journalism whose reporting career spanned more than 60 years. He died Sunday night.

Born in Cohoes, N.Y, Strout began his journalism career after graduating from Harvard University in 1919 and joined the Monitor in 1921, when he went to work in the newspaper's Boston office.

In 1923, he was assigned to the Washington bureau of the Christian Scientist newspaper and from then on covered 12 presidents during his years in Washington, from Warren G. Harding to Ronald Reagan.

In 1943, he began writing TRB, the anonymous Washington liberal column for New Republic Magazine, a stint he continued for 40 years,

Among many other awards, Strout won the Pulitzer Prize in 1978 for his many years of dedication to journalism.

''The hard question is 'why,''' he said. ''Any reporter can ask who, what, where, why and how. 'Why' is what readers of a thoughtful paper like the Monitor are looking for.''

Strout once said that his advice to fellow journalists was to ''stay committed.''

''I hope they will retain their curiousity, their interest, yes and at their heart, a touch of anger. When the little flame of anger flickers out I think it is time for the reporter to think about going into some more renumerative form of work,'' he said.

Strout is survived by his wife, the former Ernestine Wilke and their two daughters, Elizabeth Zimmermann of Minneapolish, Minn., and Mary Rubeiz of Geneva, Switzerland.

In addition the survivors are three children from his first marriage: Allen Mayne Strout, Weston, Mass.; Phyllis Norris, Santa Cruz, Calif.; and Nancy Dulaney of Washington, D.C.; and 11 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Strout's first wife, Edith Mayne, died in 1932.

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#90232u1444 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

JABAIL, SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 20) UPI - Saudi Arabia may spend between $8 billion and $11 billion in the next three months to bankroll a response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait that ranges from increased military costs to helping some 200,000 refugees, an official said Monday.

The senior Saudi official, who asked not to be identified, said one immediate result of Baghdad's action was that Saudi Arabia would have to cope with the postponement of $10 billion in foreign investment in the kingdom.

The comments came during a visit by reporters to the region's largest petrochemical complex in Jabail, about 130 miles south of Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. Industry officials said they had taken precautions to deactivate the facilities should President Saddam Hussein invade - a prospect they deemed unlilely now that U.S. and other troops have started to pour into the area.

In other areas, thousands of U.S. troops were landing aboard requisitioned U.S. aircraft. The soldiers at one air base filed off Boeing 747s provided by United Parcel Services, PanAm, Continental and United airlines.

Making the first cost assessment of the Aug. 2 invasion, the Saudi official said, ''It should cost between 30 and 40 billion riyals ($8 billion to $11 billion) if you calculate what the costs are, including the opportunity losses, the refugees, the munitions, the military response, the gas masks.''

''Most of it will be spent over the next 2 to 3 months, and it should use up much of our liquid reserves,'' the high-ranking official said.

The invasion prompted more than 200,000 people to stream across the Kuwaiti border and the calling of a full military alert by Riyadh.

Families of arriving refugees are given about $800 and food and shelter. Foreign nationals who had worked in Kuwait, many from south Asia and the Philippines, were given air tickets home.

The official would not specify if Saudi Arabia was paying for any of the expenses of the U.S. military commitment, reportedly costing about $28 million a day for deploying some 45,000 troops and about 50 warships in the region.

He said 10 of 12 major investers from the United States, Japan, and Taiwan

had postponed for one year industrial joint ventures in Saudi Arabia that were worth $10 billion and had been scheduled to be completed by 1993.

But analysts estimate the kingdom is earning $20 million a day beyond its usual income from an oil price surge caused by the crisis.

The figure could reach $70 million if Riyahd proceeds with plans to pump an extra 2 million barrels a day to meet shortfalls caused by the removal if Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil from the world market as a result of a U.N.-ordered embargo against Baghdad, they say.

Saudi Arabia last year earned more than $30 billion in oil revenues and its current output is about 5.38 million barrels a day.

The kingdom, which has 10 percent of the world's known oil reserves, has warned it will proceed unilaterally if other members of the 13-nation OPEC group do not agree to help in meeting an estimated daily oil shortage of 4 million barrels. OPEC officials said Monday a Saudi request for an emergency meeting was rejected because an insufficent number of member nations had agreed.

''High oil prices mean reduced growth in the industrial democracies, which means reduced demand for petrochemicals,'' the official said.

Jabail is the site of the largest petrochemical plant in the Middle East, and the vast complexes including houses and port facilities have been created in the desert at a cost of about $40 billion. The sprawling factories that produce various substances required to create plastics and other materials sit amid sand dunes beside the pristine gulf waters.

Housing complexes have been built along streets lined with trees kept alive with automatic water sprinklers. Industry officials said they had reduced inventories of dangerous chemicals, cleared dirt roads as emergency evacuation routes and tightened up fire and medical services in response to the Iraqi threat.

''We are basically preparing for the worst and hoping for the best,'' said Prince Abdulah bin Faisal, the general secretary of the royal commission overseeing the complex. ''Saddam now will not have the time or the scope to do much damage.''

Saudi officials could not confirm if U.S. forces were deployed in the vicinity. But several convoys passed carrying American marines and munitions on trucks and armored personnel carriers in the direction of the frontier.

Washington's army apparently is not taking positions right on the border, but is staying near enough to take action should Iraq invade. It

apparently is deployed further to the rear to guard vital facilities and to stay close to water and supplies.

''Jabail would have been a good target to fire a few missiles at, but not to invade,'' Prince Abdulah said, explaining that air power would hammer any overstretched thrusts by Iraqi armor. ''All our potential targets for hit and run attacks ... but now the threat is much less.''

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#90232u1455 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 20) UPI - General Motors Corp. has delayed the redesign of its smallest Chevrolet and Pontiac cars by about one year, with plans now to introduce them as 1995 models, MetalWorking News said Monday.

Meanwhile, industry sources said in conmfirming the delay that the giant automaker is also running behind the redesign schedule on its larger Chevrolet Beretta and Corsica cars for 1992 because of supplier problems. GM's Lansing Automotive Division, which has responsibility for those programs, declined comment on the reports.

But MetalWorking News, which tracks tooling and equipment orders from steel-intensive manufacturers like automakers, said the delay of the Chevrolet Cavalier and Pontiac Sunbird models, known within GM as its "J-body" cars, reflects budget limitations, higher-priority programs and market considerations.

The outcome of the labor negotiations now going on between GM and the United Auto Workers union could also affect the timing of the automaker's new vehicle programs, the publication said. The current three-year contract covering about 330,000 GM workers expires Sept. 14.

The J-car delay is the latest of several postponements of new products by GM - and bad news for companies that supply tooling for the project. However, sources said GM's Lordstown, Ohio, plant is slated to continue building the J-cars after they are redesigned.

"Lordstown will become the sole source of Cavalier and Sunbird cars later this year, when our Janesville plant is converted to all-truck production " company spokeswoman Linda Cook said.

GM has already delayed the next generation of Chevrolet Corvette from 1993 to at least 1995, while the Chevrolet Camaro and Pontiac Firebird coupes have been delayed by about 18 months, to mid-1993. GM also put off the redesign of full-sized Chevrolet/ GMC vans from 1994 to 1996.

The delays enable GM to concentrate on programs that are more vital to its quest to regain U.S. market share while spreading out capital spending

over a longer period in a brutally competitive market.

Despite those delays, GM still has several substantial new-car programs in the works during the next several years, including a host to debut in 1991. These include new full-sized models from Buick, Oldsmobile and Chevrolet, as well as the much-anticipated Saturn cars set to bow this fall.

Also new this fall will be a 3.4 liter 24-valve V6 motor powering some of GM's mid-sized, front-drive coupes. It will be the automaker's first multi-valve V6.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Allied Research (2nd Q 6-30)	
$12,469,000	$15,132,000
d-$474,000	d-1,275,000
d-Deficit.	
Barden Corp (3rd Q 7-29)	
$26,246,422	$23,510,176
$464,462 (.24)	$693,520 (.36)
Damson Energy (2nd Q 6-30)	
$16,828,000	$15,891,000
d-$1,117,000	$189,000 (.02)
d-Deficit.	
FFP Partners (2nd Q 7-1)	
$67,458,000	$55,968,000
$34,000 (.01)	$697,000 (.19)
Gottschalks Inc (2nd Q 8-4)	
$63,717,000	$49,720,000
$79,000 (.01)	d-$1,294,000
d-Deficit.	
Harken Energy (2nd Q 6-30)	
$281,073,000	$312,519,000
d-$23,155,000	$3,605,000 (.07)
d-Deficit.	
Hathaway Corp (4th Q 6-30)	

$14,089,000 $11,355,000
$67,000 (.02) d-$910,000
d-Deficit.

National Gas & Oil (2nd Q 6-30)
$6,628,380 $7,083,293
$353,294 (.10) $459,208 (.13)

Quicksilver Inc (3rd Q 7-31)
$24,670,000 $19,332,000
$2,589,000 (.41) $1,867,000 (.30)

Trimedyne Inc (3rd Q 6-30)
$2,743,000 $7,128,000
d-$3,770,000 d-$546,000
d-Deficit.

Winn Dixie Inc (4th Q 6-29)
$2,275,575,000 $2,153,048,000
$43,660,000 (1.11) $42,326,000 (1.06)

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COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 20) UPI - The U.S. attorney's office filed a civil complaint Monday to collect more than $1.6 million in unpaid federal tax assessments against imprisoned country music singer Johnny Paycheck.

The government's complaint alleges unpaid tax assessments, including accrued penalties and interest, for the years 1980, 1981 and 1982.

Paycheck, 52, whose real name is Donald Lytle, was convicted last year in Highland County of aggravated assault and tampering with evidence in connection with a barroom shooting.

Best known for his hit song ''Take This Job and Shove It,'' Paycheck is serving a 7- to 9 1/2-year sentence at the Madison Correctional Institution in London, Ohio.

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SIMI VALLEY, CA (AUG. 20) UPI - Volkswagen of America Inc., following the lead of other major automakers, said Monday that it will open a design studio in Southern California in November.

"Our move into Southern California is a recognition of the importance of the California market," said spokesman Pat Fitzgerald. "Southern

California is really the cutting edge for new designs, because motorists there are more open to fresh ideas."

The center, which will build full-size and scale models and be staffed by ten designers, is the fifth such facility that Volkswagen has opened. Three others are in West Germany and one in Spain.

The Simi Valley facility is about 45 miles northwest of downtown Los Angeles. The Big 3 American automakers, along with Honda, Mazda, Nissan and Toyota, already operate design centers in Southern California, Fitzgerald said.

Hans Hungerland, peresident and chief executive officer of Volkswagen of America, said the studio reflects the company's "long-term commitment to the U.S. market, as well as the worldwide styling influence of California motorists."

Volkswagen, the largest European auto maker and the world's fourth-largest car company, sold 84,362 cars in the United States through July, up from 83,515 at the same point last year. Its Audi division had sold 12,645 in the United States through July, up from 11,970 for the year-ago period.

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TAMPA, FL (AUG. 20) UPI - Treasure hunters off the Dry Tortugas have recovered six gold bars with markings that indicate they could be from a royal Spanish cargo fleet lost in a hurricane in 1622, a spokesman said Monday.

Dan Bagley, director of Tampa's Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology, said crews found six 1.5-pound bars during the last two weeks at the company's wreck site about 75 miles west of Key West and under about 1,500 feet of water.

They also recovered a gold and emerald ring and 15 intact Spanish olive jars at the site last week.

''We are delighted to be finding gold this early in the excavation,'' Bagley said. ''Actual excavation of the wreck site has been going on for only about two weeks, and we've uncovered a very small portion of the wreck.''

Three of the bars have ''EN RADA'' stamped into the metal. That Spanish tax stamp also was found on some of the gold bars from the ship Nuestra Senora de Atocha.

The Atocha was part of a royal Spanish fleet that sank in a 1622 hurricane with a load of treasure from the New World. The remains of the Atocha were

found off the Dry Tortugas by Key West treasure hunter Mel Fisher in 1985 and proved one of the richest treasure ships ever recovered.

Seahawk has not been able to identify the wreck it is working, Bagley said. But the gold bars and the other artifacts suggest it may be a sister ship to the Atocha.

Seahawk crews also recovered two astrolabes from the site. A precursor to the sextant, astrolabes were used by ancient mariners to measure the angle of the sun or stars to determine the ship's position.

''Only larger Spanish vessels of a treasure fleet would have carried such an important piece of navigational equipment,'' said marine archaeologist R. Duncan Mathewson of Key West.

Other artifacts recovered from the site include silver eight-real coins, musket balls, ceramics and wood. The wreck is the first intact colonial Spanish wreck ever found in deep water.

Seahawk, a publicly traded marine salvage company, is excavating the site using a 200-foot recovery vessel, the Seahawk Retriever, and a $2 million undersea robot called Merlin.

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PITTSBURGH (AUG. 20) UPI - An experimental drug helps prevent organ rejection better than standard agents and apparently can even reverse damage caused when the immune system attacks a transplanted organ, researchers reported Monday.

Patients given the drug FK-506 experienced fewer side effects than those who received standard anti-rejection drugs such as cyclosporine, which can cause high blood pressure and kidney failure, the researchers said. The drug also allowed doctors to use fewer steroids.

''We have found FK-506 to be a potent and novel immunosuppressant,'' said Dr. Thomas Starzl, chief of transplantation at the University of Pittsburgh.

''The results of the first studies we reported and those we are reporting here provide further evidence that this drug has superior qualities,'' Starzl said.

FK-506, derived from a soil fungus by Japanese scientists in 1984, suppresses the body's immune system. It was developed by University of Pittsburgh researchers and approved for limited investigative uses by the federal government in February 1989.

Starzl and his colleagues presented the new findings at a crowded symposium at the 13th International Congress of the Transplantation Society in San Francisco. The results were greeted with enthusiasm by other scientists.

''The ability to reduce and possibly withdraw steroids is tremendously exciting,'' said Dr. J.A. Myburgh, chief of surgery at Johannesburg General Hospital in South Africa, who co-chaired the symposium.

Myburgh noted, however, that more research involving patients who are followed longer is needed to fully evaluate the drug.

''What is required is more patients followed for a longer period of time to consolidate the promising early data,'' Myburgh said after the symposium.

In the first tests with pediatric transplant patients, Dr. Andreas Tzakis studied 42 children who underwent transplants of the liver, heart, kidney, multiple organs and insulin-producing pancreatic cells known as islet cells.

High doses of steroids, which are essential with cyclosporine, were unnecessary with FK-506, eliminating problems of stunted growth, facial puffiness and other severe side effects, the researchers found. A similar regimen was found appropriate with adult patients who, when treated with FK-506, were subsequently weaned off steroid therapy.

In addition, organs that were failing in patients who received cyclosporine could be salvaged by giving the patient FK-506, preventing the need for another transplant, Tzakis said.

The patient survival rate for one year may be as high as 90 percent with FK-506, compared with a 70 percent survival rate with cyclosporine, the researchers said.

''Incidents of rejection are much less with this new drug than with cyclosporine, and morbidity associated with treatment is much less,'' said Dr. John Fung, another University of Pittsburgh professor of surgery, before Monday's presentation.

The drug was given to 30 heart transplant recipients, who experienced excellent cardiac function with few instances of rejection and infection. Five other patients were given FK-506 because they were experiencing persistent rejection and toxic reactions to cyclosporine. Rejection in four of those patients was ultimately reversed, and the fifth patient's rejection is now being resolved with FK-506 and low-dose steroids, the researchers said.

Doctors did not anticipate that FK-506 would be capable of actually reversing the rejection process when the studies began, Fung said.

''In the beginning, we actually didn't know what it was going to do,'' Fung said. ''We thought it was going to be like cyclosporine, a good drug to prevent rejection. This drug not only is a good drug to treat rejection but can reverse rejection.''

Researchers believe FK-506 may have other roles, such as controlling ''graft-versus-host disease,'' a condition occurring after bone marrow transplantation in which certain white blood cells from the transplanted marrow attack other tissues of the patient.

''We've given FK-506 for control of graft-versus-host disease to two patients who had manifested liver disease after bone marrow transplantation,'' Fung said. In those cases, the damage was similar to that seen in chronic liver rejection but both patients have responded to FK-506.

''This is an interesting potential application of the drug we hadn't expected to see before,'' Fung said.

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White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters Bush "is pleased" by the Saudi increase. Fitzwater made the remarks in a brief reprise following Bush's meeting with his advisers, including Deputy Energy Secretary Henson Moore, on forthcoming budget negotiations and energy supplies.

"Overall, we believe we've reached a reasonably stable situation with regard to oil supplies," he said. "We do urge people to use self-restraint however, in their energy use," Fitzwater added.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 20) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.

Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	2.82 1/4	2.83 3/4	2.81	2.81 1/4	2.82 1/4
Dec	2.97	2.98	2.95	2.95 1/2	2.97
Mar	3.06 1/2	3.07 3/4	3.05	3.05	3.06 1/2
May	3.10 1/2	3.12	3.09	3.09 1/2	3.10 3/4
Jly	3.14	3.14	3.12	3.12	3.13

Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	2.51	2.54	2.51	2.52 1/4	2.50 3/4
Dec	2.46	2.47 3/4	2.45	2.45 1/4	2.45 1/2
Mar	2.54	2.56	2.53 1/4	2.53 1/2	2.54
May	2.60 1/4	2.61 3/4	2.59 1/2	2.60 1/4	2.60
Jly	2.63 1/2	2.65 1/2	2.63 1/4	2.63 1/2	2.63
Sep	2.58	2.60 1/2	2.58	2.59	2.56 1/2
Dec	2.56	2.59	2.55 3/4	2.58 1/2	2.56

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	1.15 3/4	1.17	1.15 3/4	1.16 1/4	1.15 3/4
Dec	1.28 1/4	1.29	1.27 1/2	1.28 1/2	1.28
Mar	1.39	1.39 3/4	1.38 1/2	1.39 1/2	1.39
May	1.44	1.44 1/2	1.44	1.44 1/2	1.44
Jly	1.48 1/2	1.48 1/2	1.48 1/2	1.48 1/2	1.49

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Aug	6.15	6.18 1/2	6.10 1/2	6.10 3/4	6.15
Sep	6.17	6.20 3/4	6.12	6.12 1/2	6.17
Nov	6.29	6.34	6.24	6.24 1/2	6.28 3/4
Jan	6.40	6.46	6.36 1/2	6.37 1/4	6.41 1/4
Mar	6.54	6.58	6.50	6.50	6.53 1/2
May	6.62	6.66 1/2	6.58	6.58	6.62
Jly	6.70 1/2	6.72 1/2	6.64	6.64	6.68
Aug	6.60	6.63	6.56	6.56	6.57
Sep	6.39	6.39	6.35	6.35	6.38
Nov	6.24	6.29	6.23 1/2	6.24 1/4	6.23

Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Aug	24.30	24.47	24.17	24.36	24.25
Sep	24.02	24.27	23.95	24.12	23.99
Oct	24.12	24.39	24.02	24.22	24.09
Dec	24.28	24.60	24.36	24.41	24.26
Jan	24.42	24.75	24.36	24.55	24.40
Mar	24.56	24.85	24.55	24.66	24.55
May	24.71	24.95	24.70	24.82	24.75
Jly	24.90	24.95	24.90	24.91	24.85
Aug	24.76	24.85	24.75	24.75	24.75
Sep	24.40	24.60	24.40	24.62	24.60

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Aug	178.50	178.50	176.50	177.20	177.80
Sep	179.30	179.70	177.70	178.20	178.90
Oct	182.00	182.00	179.50	179.90	180.60
Dec	185.30	185.50	183.20	183.50	184.30
Jan	186.50	186.80	184.80	185.00	185.90
Mar	189.50	189.50	187.50	187.70	188.50
May	190.50	191.00	188.50	188.50	189.60
Jly	192.50	192.40	190.50	190.50	190.70
Aug	190.00	191.00	189.00	189.70	189.50
Sep	187.50	188.50	187.50	188.70	189.50

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) UPI - The designation of the Americans stranded in Iraq and Kuwait as hostages raised a new dilemma for U.S. policy-makers Monday.

In a speech to the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Baltimore, President Bush said, ''When Saddam Hussein specifically offers to trade the freedom of those citizens of many nations he holds against their will in return for concessions, there can be little doubt that whatever these innocent people are called, they are in fact hostages.

''And I want there to be no misunderstanding. I will hold the government of Iraq responsible for the safety and well-being of American citizens held against their will.''

He didn't specify what action he would take.

But the designation of the trapped Americans as ''hostages'' limits U.S. policy options because of a standing rule stated repeatedly by the Bush administration: ''The United States will not negotiate for the release of hostages.''

Other nations - notably France - have negotiated with Iran in order to procure the release of some of their nationals held by pro-Iranian groups in Lebanon.

House Armed Services Committee Chairman Les Aspin, D-Wis., said on NBC Sunday that Bush must strike ''the right balance between concern for the hostages but not letting our policy be driven by the existence of hostages or be paralyzed by it.'' For now, he said, Bush should make clear that Saddam will be held responsible for the Americans' safety.

Aspin said, ''In a sense, this is an easier situation to deal with than, for example, the hostages that are somewhere lost in the morass of Lebanon. We at least know the address of the person responsible. So if we

want to send a message, we know where to send it.''

Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., similarly noted that freedom of passage for the 3,000 or so Americans in Iraq and occupied Kuwait was only one of several vital interests at stake in the Persian Gulf, including the restoration of stability and ''the free flow of oil at reasonable prices.''

''Presidents have to weigh those interests as well,'' he said, ''and it does take balance and you cannot let one interest predominate over these other interests that are terribly important.''

Bush, aboard Air Force One after his speech in Baltimore, was asked why he was turning up the heat on Iraq and calling the American detainees ''hostages.'' Bush replied, ''I don't think there's any turning up the heat. It's a recognition of the fact that now demands are being made for the release of people, and that, I think, is the definition of hostages.''

Asked when he decided to use the term, Bush said, ''We had a meeting there (at the White House) last night and then this morning I decided, 'Look, as long as these demands are being made, why, it's semantical. Why not just say that?'''

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher, asked if the U.S. policy of non-negotiation with hostage-takers remains in effect, was guarded, saying that has been the U.S. policy but he did not want to limit the president's options.

But, other officials said that the appearance of willingness to negotiate with hostage-takers will open up a hornet's nest of criticism for the past policy, and give an incentive for other nations to seize Americans as bargaining chips.

Boucher said that there are now 47 Americans known to be in the hands of Iraqi authorities - 35 who had been kept in Baghdad hotels since Aug. 3 and another 12 Americans who showed up at a Kuwait hotel in response to broadcast orders from the Iraqis.

According to the State Department another 2,500 Americans remain in Kuwait and another 530 are in Iraq. Those figures included 130 diplomatic personnel in Kuwait and 28 diplomats in Iraq. The civilian Americans were advised to remain home and to keep a low profile.

State Department officials confirmed that some Americans are now in the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, but they refused to say how many.

Boucher refused to say if the United States is considering retaliation against Iraqi diplomats and private citizens in the United States in case the stranded Americans are not permitted to leave Kuwait and Iraq.

He also said the United States considers the Iraqi order to vacate the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait to be illegal and therefore ''null and void.''

The Iraqis, since they announced the annexation of Kuwait on Aug. 8, notified the foreign embassies in Kuwait must be closed by Friday Aug. 2 since there is no reason for the embassies to be there.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 20) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	77.40	77.50	77.15	77.30	77.90
Oct	76.55	77.40	76.55	77.27	77.35
Dec	75.20	75.55	74.85	75.35	75.95
Feb	75.00	75.27	74.70	75.17	75.55
Apr	75.90	76.00	75.55	75.95	76.05
Jun	73.90	73.95	73.55	73.92	73.95
Aug	72.90	72.90	72.70	72.70	72.90

Est. sales 16,235 contracts; Friday 12,122; open interest 68,417 up 691.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	89.40	89.80	89.10	89.67	89.65
Sep	86.75	87.60	86.70	87.22	87.55
Oct	85.10	85.65	85.00	85.47	86.00
Nov	85.05	85.70	84.95	85.42	85.90
Jan	84.60	85.40	84.60	85.30	85.60
Mar	83.45	83.85	83.45	83.65	84.20
Apr	83.45	83.45	83.00	83.10	83.55
May	82.50	82.65	82.10	82.40	83.00

Est. sales 1,865 contracts; Friday 1,777; open interest 11,515 off 166.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	57.05	57.25	56.10	56.67	57.52
Oct	49.00	50.25	48.80	50.07	49.42
Dec	49.80	50.70	49.60	50.55	50.10
Feb	47.60	48.35	47.30	48.32	47.95
Apr	49.30	44.42	43.80	44.27	44.02
Jun	48.15	48.55	48.15	48.55	48.40
Jly	....	49.05	48.50	49.05	49.00
Aug	....	47.50	47.10	47.50	47.40

Est. sales 8,289 contracts; Friday 4,955; open interest 30,045 off 868.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	48.00	49.80	47.65	49.72	48.12
Feb	53.60	56.00	53.50	55.95	54.15
Mar	53.55	55.75	53.55	55.72	54.12

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Jly .... 55.90 .... 55.90 54.30 Est. sales 3,845 contracts; Friday 2,841; open interest 5,804 off 126.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Monday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut- out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 121.85 down 2 cents, 700-850 lbs. 121.67 up 18 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 116.06 up 22 cents, 700-850 lbs. 115.58 up 14 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light; fresh pork loins and Boston butts not fully established; skinned hams steady; seedless bellies not well established; loins 14-18 lbs. 116.00-121.00; butts 4-8 lbs. 96.00; hams 17-20 lbs.90.50- 91.00, 20-26 lbs. 88.00-91.00; bellies 14-16 lbs. 52.00, 16-18 lbs. 50.00-52.00.

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Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer said his country would raise its daily output by 2 million barrels even if the other members of the OPEC refused to up production.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Gold futures closed 50 to 110 points higher Monday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

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Aug	410.50	410.50	408.00	410.10	409.60
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Oct	414.20	415.00	409.50	413.80	413.20
Dec	419.70	420.10	414.80	418.80	418.30
Feb	424.50	424.50	419.50	423.00	422.40
Apr	424.00	427.10	424.00	427.10	426.40
Jun	432.10	432.10	431.50	431.50	430.70
Aug	436.20	436.20	435.70	435.70	434.80
Oct	441.00	441.00	440.50	440.50	439.60
Dec	444.50	444.50	444.50	445.40	444.50
Feb	448.00	448.00	448.00	450.70	449.70
Apr	456.10	....	....	455.80	454.70

Open interest: 133,877 up 4,778.

Estimated sales: 50,000 contracts.

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#90232u1568 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 20) UPI - Eli Lilly and Co. said Monday it will spend $540 million on an expansion that will add 1,000 people to the company's Indianapolis work force. Lilly said most of the new jobs would be high-paying positions in research and development.

The project involves adding several buildings and major roadwork to Lilly's industrial center on the southeast side of the city. About 3,000 people currently are employed there.

Lilly said the total would rise to 3,500 by 1994 and to 4,000 by 2000. A total of 800 construction jobs are expected to be created during the building phase of the project.

A $120 million biotechnology building to be occupied by 100 scientists and engineers was the first project unveiled by Lilly Monday. Another $235 million will be spent on additional projects and site improvements during the next four years.

Taking all of Lilly's expansions in central Indiana into account, the pharmaceutical giant will make new investments worth about $1.4 billion in the area during the next few years.

"This landmark project is a significant investment in the future of Eli Lilly and Co. and an expression of our faith in the future of both our city and our state," Lilly Chairman Richard D. Wood said.

Gov. Evan Bayh said the program "demonstrates tremendous confidence in the

state's economic future. The quality jobs created, both in construction and operation, will enhance the Hoosier economy and the total project will solidify Indiana's position in the important international pharmaceutical industry."

Lilly's 1989 net sales were $4.1 billion, vs. $3.6 billion in 1988. Profits for the fiscal year totaled $939 million, up from $761 million a year earlier.

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#90232u1573 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	409.50 up 8.00
Morning fixing	410.90 up 0.40
Afternoon fixing	407.75 off 1.75
Close	409.75 up 0.25
Paris	410.31 off 0.94
Zurich	409.50 off 0.50
Hong Kong	411.00 off 1.75
New York	
Comex spot close	410.10 up 0.50
Republic cash	409.75 up 0.50
Handy and Harman	407.75 off 2.85

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 409.09 off 2.86 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 429.54 off 3.01 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	5.129 off 0.05
Republic cash	5.145 off 0.05

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 5.13 per fine ounce off 0.055

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 5.14 off 0.06 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.50 off 0.064

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 503.00 off 4.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 603.00 off 4.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 118.50 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 133.50 off 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90232u1580 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - With thousands of Jews arriving in New York from the Soviet Union, Chase Manhattan Bank said Monday it plans to install Russian language teller machines in branches in Brooklyn and Manhattan.

The program was developed in cooperation with the New York Association for New Americans, an organization founded in 1949 to help Jewish refugees resettle in the United States.

Mark Handelman, executive vice president of the organization, explained that about 18,500 Soviet Jews were expected to resettle in New York this year. He said NYANA provides the refugees with funds to help them get settled into apartments and jobs.

"The concept of banking is completely alien to the typical Soviet citizen " Handelman said. "This program will do an excellent job of getting our clients used to the way banks work."

Chase said the Russian-language teller machines would be installed at a bank branch at 32nd Street and Broadway in Manhattan, as well as the Brooklyn neighborhoods of Brighton Beach, Borough Park, Bensonhurst and Midwood, where many Soviet Jews have settled.

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#90232u1586 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 2 points higher to 12 points lower. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	11.18	11.41	11.18	11.28	11.40
Mar	11.00	11.15	11.00	11.05	11.14
May	11.02	11.14	11.02	11.06	11.13
Jly	11.03	11.12	11.03	11.06	11.13
Oct	11.27	11.27	11.22	11.22	11.20

Estimated sales: 12,512 contracts

Open interest: 123,412 off 746

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.36

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 2 points higher to 5 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.25	23.25	23.21	23.25	23.30
Jan	23.01	23.02	23.01	23.01	23.05
Mar	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.97
May	23.04	23.04	23.04	23.04	23.05
Jly	22.95	....	....	23.05	23.05
Sep	23.04	23.04	23.04	23.04	23.02
Nov	22.85	22.92	22.85	22.92	22.92

Estimated sales: 163 contracts
Open interest: 9,716 up 336

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#90232u1617 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) UPI - Yields rose on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Monday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $9.202 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 7.55 percent, up from 7.41 percent last week and the highest since July 16, when the auction yielded 7.62 percent.

The government also sold $9.203 billion of 26-week bills Monday at an average discount of 7.45 percent, up from 7.31 percent last week and the highest since July 16 when the rate stood at 7.52 percent.

The investment rate was 7.80 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,807.10 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26-week bill was 7.85 percent at an average of $9,623.40 per $10,000.

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#90232u1629 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (AUG. 20) UPI - Iraq permitted some 17,000 Iranians to return home across Iraqi territory over the past two days, the Iranian news agency said Monday.

The Iranians crossed at a border checkpoint that has not been used since the Iran-Iraq war broke out 10 years ago. There was no immediate word on how many Iranians were trapped in Kuwait by the invasion, but about 12,000 Iranians crossed into Iran Monday at Shalamcheh, about 14 miles east of the southern Iraqi city of Basra, according to an Iranian radio dispatch that was monitored in Athens.

Another 5,000 crossed into Iran Sunday. Altogether, more than 1,000 cars have traversed the border so far, the report said.

Iran and Iraq fought repeatedly over the Shalamcheh crossing point during

their eight-year war.

Regional analysts said the move to allow Iranians to leave Kuwait was the latest in a series of Baghdad actions since Friday to win Iranian confidence, apparently in a bid to persuade it to stay out of the crisis with the U.S. and conservative Arab nations over Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Iraq also has released about 4,000 Iranian prisoners of war since Friday, and Tehran reported that 8,000 POWs were waiting at the border Monday to be return home.

Over the weekend, Iraqi troops also continued their pullout from Iranian territory taken days before the August 1988 cease fire.

Iraq and Iran agreed to send 8,000 POWs from each side home, and the official Iranian media said the International Committee of the Red Cross had agreed to boost its staff at the border to handle that many.

The Red Cross earlier said it did not have the facilities to handle more than 1,000 a day. There were estimated 100,000 POWs held by both sides.

The Iraqi troop pullback from Iranian territory began Friday after President Saddam Hussein pledged to meet Iranian demands to end the 10-year-long conflict, allowing Iraq to focus its military attention on the current crisis over Kuwait.

Tehran radio played victory marches as the Iranian POWs returned across the border.

The Iranina news agency IRNA said Iraq's pullback from the Mehran region, in the central sector of the 750-mile front, has been completed and Iraqi commanders handed maps to U.N. military observers informing them of minefields they had laid in the area.

The pullout from other points was still going on and was expected to be completed by Wednesday.

Iranians returning from Kuwait said life in there was increasingly difficult. Tehran radio quoted them as saying the streets were deserted and shops were closed.

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#90232u1681 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NORTH KINGSTOWN, RI (AUG. 20) UPI - President Bush visited a country club Monday to raise money for Rhode Island Republicans, including Gov. Edward D. DiPrete, who is fighting for his political life.

Bush arrived at Quidnesset Country Club shortly after 1 p.m. for a $2,500-per-couple private reception and a $250-per-couple luncheon. The events are expected to raise between $200,000 and $290,000 for the Rhode Island Republican Party.

A visit by the president last November raised $800,000 for the party and for Rep. Claudine Schneider, R-R.I., who is trying to unseat Sen. Claiborne Pell, head of the Foreign Relations Committee. That longer visit included stops at DiPrete's home in Cranston and at the Rocky Point amusement park in Warwick.

Bush spent about 45 minutes at Quidnesset. After the private reception, Bush was introduced at the luncheon by DiPrete and spoke to the gathering for about 14 minutes.

''He is a take-charge leader,'' said Bush. ''I've seen his leadership first hand. I want him there after the re-election, strong at my side as we face the problems coming up in the rest of the '90s.''

Bush also talked about the crisis in the Middle East, saying: ''No sane person likes the spectre of confrontation'' but the United States must provide a moral compass for the world.

The race for governor in Rhode Island has so far centered on the Democratic primary. Polls have shown that DiPrete, who is unopposed in the primary, would lose to all three Democratic candidates if the general election were held now.

The three-term incumbent, elected in 1984, has been staggered by a deteriorating regional economy, budget shortfalls that led to a sales tax increase, and a series of political patronage scandals.

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#90232u1684 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

FAIRBANKS, ALASKA (AUG. 20) UPI - Wildfires have burned 3 million acres of Alaska tundra and timber this summer, fire officials reported Monday. Fires still burning on 2.8 million acres of land were expected to smoulder until winter snows extinguish them next month.

''Fires are basically smoldering and smoking,'' said Sue Mitchell, a fire information officer. ''They're likely to keep burning until snowfall.''

Fires burned an area almost as big as Connecticut, approaching 1 percent of the land mass of Alaska. In terms of acres burned, this was the worst fire season in Alaska in 21 years and the third biggest on record.

Most of the 800 firefighters still at work were mopping up around blazes

that were just smoking remnants of the fiery walls of flame that devoured forests and threatened towns and villages. But some firefighters were still protecting remote cabins and native lands.

Considering the amount of acres blackened and the intensity of the fires at their peak, there were remarkably few structures burned and no major injuries, Mitchell said.

''These are remote fires,'' she said. ''There are not a lot of structures out there. This is not like Southern California.''

No one was even fighting the state's biggest fire, covering 405,780 acres in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in northeast Alaska, Mitchell said. Fire officials were monitoring the blaze but expected no trouble from the remote fire above the Arctic Circle along the southern boundary of the refuge.

Seven other fires bigger than 100,000 acres each, four of them on federal wildlife refuges, were burning in the vast interior of Alaska. Fires burned 272,000 acres on the Kanuti Flats National Wildlife Refuge, 150,000 acres on the Koyukuk National Wildlife Refuge and two separate fires burned a total of 392,430 acres on the Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuge.

Fires also burned state and native lands and lands managed by the federal Bureau of Land Management.

Lightning started the fires and an unusually dry, hot summer provided the fuel.

''There is still a lot of fuel out there,'' Mitchell said. She said 101 fires were burning on 2.8 million acres, bringing to 3 million acres the amount of land burned in the past two months. Fires have consumed spruce, brush and tundra.

Wet August weather in Alaska often helps extinguish summer wildfires. Rains have dampened the landscape and slowed the fires, but Mitchell said that unless heavy rains start, fires were likely to burn until snows smothered them.

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#90232u1687 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, LEBANON (AUG. 20) UPI - A clandestine group claimed Monday that a $2.2 million ransom was paid for the release of two Swiss Red Cross workers held hostage in Lebanon.

Emanuel Christen and Elio Erriquez, both health workers with the

International Committee of the Red Cross, were released earlier this month by a group called The Palestinian Revolutionary Cells after 10 months in captivity.

A group calling itself the Organization for Defending the Palestinian People made the allegation in a handwritten note on the back of a photocopy of Christen's Red Cross identification card.

The note said the group would reveal who received the $2.2 million ransom in another statement.

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#90232u1704 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 20) UPI - Monday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.76 1/4-2.79 1/4 off 1.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.10 1/4-6.12 1/2 off 4 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.50 1/4-2.57 1/4 up 1 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.64 1/4-2.68 1/4 up 1 1/2.

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#90232u1707 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $38 to $43 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - unchanged to to 1.70 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.20 cent higher to 1.60 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.33 cent to 1.20 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.50 to $1.10 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.30 to $3.40 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.95 cent to 5.00 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 5 cents an ounce lower across the board for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.002 cent higher to 0.012 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90232u1720 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Mixed in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in thin trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in very thin trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Slightly higher.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1/2 to up 2 1/2, soybeans down 4 1/2 to up 1 1/4, wheat off 1 to 1 1/2 and oats up 1/2 to off 1/2.

Cattle Trade - $1.00 to $1.50 lower; top $77.00.

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#90232u1723 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Monday	1139.1
Friday	1127.0
Week ago	1139.1
Month ago	1142.3
Year ago	1102.1
1990 High	1209.9

1990 Low 1055.2

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#90232u1739 08/20/1990 ~United Press International
SOFIA, BULGARIA (AUG. 20) UPI - Two men threatened to set themselves on fire Monday unless a huge ruby star was removed from the top of the former Communist Party headquarters, prompting officials to promise all such symbols would be eradicated.

Plamen Stanchev, a member of the radical Initiative for Civil Disobediance and a Bulgarian Orthodox priest, Dimiter Ambarev, had set a Monday night deadline for their demands.

Ambarev said a statue of Lenin in the center of Sofia should also be removed, calling the former Soviet leader ''the moral killer of millions of human souls in the Soviet Union and East bloc countries.''

The Socialist Party, which replaced the old Communist Party, said in a statement that it would remove all ''non-Bulgarian'' symbols and create new symbols to represent the new party and struggling new democracy.

Also on Monday, minor clashes erupted in central Sofia when thousands of opposition demonstrators collided with Socialist Party supporters.

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#90232u1745 08/20/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 20) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
INCREASED				
Raven Industries	Q	.09	10-15	9-21
USUAL				
BRT Realty Trust	..	.16	10-2	9-14
Fst Interstate	Q	.75	9-28	9-7
Merry Land/Investment	Q	.10	9-30	9-15

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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#90232u1746 08/20/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

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AT&T	33	3-4	up	3-8
BCE	33		up	1-8
Bell Atl	45	3-8	up	1-4
BellSouth	53		off	1-4
Exxon	52	7-8	up	3-4
Ford Motor	36		off	1-4
Gen Elect	63	3-4	off	1-4
Gen Motors	37	1-2	unch	
GTE	26	3-8	up	1-8
IBM	102	1-4	up	7-8
Mobil	67		up	3-4
Nynex	73	7-8	up	1-8
Pac Gas El	22		up	1-4
Pac Teles	41		up	5-8
Phila Elect	15	3-8	unch	
Sears	29	3-8	up	1-2
Southn Co	23	7-8	up	1-4
Swst Bell	51	7-8	up	1-2
US West	35	1-8	off	1-8

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#90232u1747 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) UPI - Enrollment in the food stamp program, the nation's major anti-hunger plan, has surged to its highest level in five years, but there was no simple explanation Monday for the increase.

In the past, participation rose or fell depending on the unemployment rate. But officials noted some months ago the linkage was not as direct as it once had been.

According to the government's most recent figures, about 20.1 million people were receiving food stamps, up 1.3 million from one year earlier. By comparison, the administration forecast an average of 19.3 million people would receive benefits during the current fiscal year.

The food stamp program helps poor people improve their diets by their food-buying power. The maximum benefit for a family of four this fiscal year is $331 a month.

''What is remarkable about the recent growth in participation is that there is no consensus about its cause,'' the Agriculture Department said in a report to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

''It occurred even though there were no major changes in the (program) or in the econony, at least as measured by the national employment rate.''

The department, which runs the food stamp program, said its analysis

suggested three factors - expansion in Medicaid, state-level changes in joblessness, and legalization of undocumented aliens - accounted for between 25 percent and 43 percent of the change.

''A large group of other factors might be responsible for the remaining increase,'' the report said.

The chairman of the House Select Committee on Hunger, Rep. Tony Hall, D-Ohio, took a different view. He said higher enrollment showed the fragility of the conditions of many Americans, so that a slight weakening in the economy stretched many incomes too far.

In addition, Hall said, people were forced to turn to public food programs because contributions of private organizations have diminished.

The House has authorized $19 billion for food stamps in fiscal 1991, about $2.2 billion more than the White House requested. The Senate has yet to act.

In addition to allocating funds, Congress also must reauthorize the program this year. The House has voted to phase out the current limit on how much can be deducted for housing costs and to let participants own vehicles worth up to $5,500 without losing eligibility.

In its report, the Agriculture Department said participation levels were up in 44 states and the District of Columbia. Texas, California and Florida accounted for nearly half of the nationwide increase.

However, the report noted that jobless rates were down in Texas and Arizona, despite those being two of the 10 states with the largest increases in enrollment.

It appears, the report said, that most of the increase in enrollment came through more people entering the program, rather than people receiving benefits for a longer period of time.

The department's Economic Research Service, in an analysis published early this year, said one of seven Americans participated in the food stamp program during a one-year period, but most receive benefits for less than 12 months.

Studies have found the program means a 5 percent to 10 percent increase in spending on food by poor households.

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#90232u1766 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2656.44	up	11.64	930.29	up	6.38	201.46	up	0.32
Friday	2644.80	off	36.64	923.91	off	15.87	201.14	off	1.45
Week ago	2746.78	off	30.20	978.83	up	4.01	203.97	up	0.88
Month ago	2904.70	off	56.44	1136.13	off	23.18	200.20	off	1.95
Year ago	2647.00	off	40.97	1438.12	off	4.27	213.91	off	3.02
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2543.24			923.91			200.20		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90232u1769 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2656.44	up	11.64
20 Trans	930.29	up	6.38
15 Utils	201.46	up	0.32
65 Stocks	923.98	up	4.22

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#90232u1773 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.48	up 0.09
10 Public Utils	91.88	up 0.10
10 Industrials	89.08	up 0.07

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#90232u1791 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 20) UPI - Armenian and Azerbaijani extremists fought running battles along the two republics' troubled border Monday on the third day of armed clashes that left at least six people dead and 12 wounded.

Soviet soldiers trying to keep the warring sides apart came under fire and were among the casualties in the violence.

''Gunfire resounded throughout Azerbaijani border areas during the night Sunday,'' the official Tass news agency said. The independent Interfax news service said ''the fire was reopened'' Monday morning.

Levon Ter-Petrosian, the natiomalist leader elected president of Armenia last month, accused vigilante bands of fomenting violence in the Transcaucasian region and refusing the Armenian Parliament's order to

disarm, Interfax said.

In the Azerbaijani capital of Baku, KGB officers criticized Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev for holding recent talks with Ter-Petroisian and then extending the deadline of a decree that requires the illegal armies to disband.

Ter-Petrosian told the Yerevan legislature that three Armenians died when Interior Ministry border troops opened fire to try to stop fighting between Azerbaijani and Armenian units. He said Azerbaijani militants captured several Armenians and took them to the Azerbaijani town of Kazakh just across the border.

Tass described ''a dramatic worsening of tensions'' in the border area. It said extremists launched a missile and opened machine-gun fire at a commuter bus traveling from Kazakh late Sunday, killing a policeman and wounding four passengers.

Troops called to the site repelled the attack in exchanges that left one militant dead and two extremists and two soldiers wounded, the Soviet Interior Ministry told Tass. Interfax said two police and one passenger died in the incident.

''Later on Sunday six villages in the Kazakh district came under heavy (crossborder) fire from Armenia,'' Interfax said. ''As a result, a police lieutenant from Gyzndzhi was killed and an Interior Ministry serviceman wounded.''

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#90232u1792 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 20) UPI - Troubled US Sprint Monday announced a reorganization of its national sales force, including a sharper focus on the middle-market telecommunications user.

The company's National Markets organization was cut from five major marketing and service groups to two, one emphasizing large corporate and medium-sized business accounts, the other residential and small-business accounts.

The reorganization, effective Monday, calls for adding "hundreds of" sales jobs, Sprint said, although specific figures were not released. The plan also required eliminating 500 administrative positions last week.

Sprint pledged in July, after reporting an unexpected second-quarter loss, to beef up sales, marketing, and customer service efforts. Despite the changes, Sprint's international and federal government sales organizations both based in the Washington, D.C. area, will remain intact.

Under the reorganization, Sprint's National Markets organization will include a Business Market Group for customers with annual billings of $100,000 or more, and a Consumer Services Group for residential and business customers spending less than $100,000 a year.

Sprint said its Business Market Group will continue the company's National Accounts program that focuses on the largest telecommunications users, but will add a major accounts program to serve medium-to-large users of telecommunications services.

"The new Business Market Group extends the expertise of our national accounts program into the upper-middle market," said Richard C. Smith, National Markets president. "This part of the market is increasing its use of the more sophisticated products such as virtual private networks...," he said.

Sprint also formed a National Sales Division to augment sales efforts of the Consumer Services group. The division will provide a field sales force focusing on business customers with billings of $500 to $10,000 a month, Sprint spokesman Paul Thibeau said. These accounts will be assigned to a new customer service program called Premier that was designed specifically for the needs of small businesses.

Thibeau said the reorganization recognizes that, with changing technology, more and more products are becoming accessible to medium-and small-business customers. Despite the increased emphasis on lower-end customers, he said, "We're going to aggressively go after all the areas - low, middle, and high."

Analyst Audrey Stepov of Duff & Phelps in Chicago said fierce competition for the high-end telecommunications user has resulted in slim margins, forcing telecommunications companies to take a look at a large, somewhat neglected middle market.

MCI in June introduced a product called Visions, aimed at the middle market, that offers advantages such as customized billing previously available only to larger customers.

Stepov said an important consideration was whether Sprint also would introduce a product or service tailored to the middle market. She said Sprint wisely has refrained from slashing its rates. "It's to their advantage to keep prices stable," she said. "It (growth) will have to be by increasing customers and usage."

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#90232u1795 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW BEDFORD, MA (AUG. 20) UPI - A 40-year-old former lawyer pleaded innocent to a murder charge Monday in the death of one of nine women believed to be victims of a serial killer.

Kenneth Ponte, of New Bedford, was freed on $50,000 cash bail after being charged in an indictment with the 1988 beating death of 28-year-old Rochelle C. Dopierla of Falmouth.

The indictment, returned Friday and unsealed before the arraignment Monday charged Ponte with one count of first-degree murder. Prosecutors alleged Ponte killed the woman to keep her from testifying against him.

Ponte, who has long acknowledged he is the prime suspect in the slayings but denied any involvement, entered a plea of ''Absolutely not guilty, your honor,'' at his arraignment in Bristol County Superior Court.

Dopierla was one of nine women killed. Their bodies were found along highways in southeastern Massachusetts between July 1988 and April 1989.

Most of the victims were linked to New Bedford's Weld Square, an area known for drugs and prostitution. Authorities fear two other women reported missing also have been killed.

The slayings have haunted the working class city, once a renowned whaling port, for two years, and triggered the most complex murder investigation since the Boston Strangler case of the 1960s.

As he left the courtroom, Ponte charged District Attorney Ronald Pina was harassing him.

''This has been a two-year long nightmare for me and I greatly, greatly look forward to the trial and my acquittal and the end of this nightmare '' Ponte said.

Pina said he would not comment on any connection between Ponte and the other victims.

The indictment is ''clearly what it is - an indictment on one murder case '' Pina said. ''The motive here would be to get rid of the witness ... (and to keep her from) testifying against him in a court of law.''

Pina did not specify what incriminating evidence Dopierla might have had on Ponte. He called the investigation ''probably the most complex case I've ever seen.''

Dopierla's body was found off Interstate 195. According to court documents filed by Pina's office, Ponte may have been the last person to see Dopierla alive before she disappeared in April 1988.

The indictment ended months of speculation that Ponte, who has said he knew at least four of the victims, would be charged in the serial killings.

Ponte has repeatedly insisted he was not involved in the killings, but told a Rhode Island radio station Friday night he was ready to face any charges.

The special grand jury empaneled to probe the slayings has met at irregular intervals since March 1989 and met for five consecutive days last week - fueling speculation that an indictment was imminent. When the grand jury finally returned a document late Friday afternoon, it was immediately sealed at Pina's request.

The panel took action after hearing for a second time from Diane Doherty, a former girlfriend of Ponte. The 37-year-old woman from Lynn, Mass., told authorities Ponte had held her against her will in his Port Richey, Fla., home, choking her and holding a gun to her head.

Doherty, now serving a jail term for probation violations, recanted her allegations but has since gone back and forth on her story several times.

She has also told reporters that investigators wrongly believe she can implicate Ponte in the serial killings. However, the Boston Herald, quoting unidentified sources, said Doherty had testified that she watched a video at Ponte's Port Richey home in June that showed a killing.

Kevin Reddington, Ponte's lawyer, scoffed at Doherty's credibility.

''If she is their witness against Kenneth Ponte, then it is a travesty, a travesty of justice for Mr. Ponte,'' he said.

Pina spokesman James Martin said the district attorney had kept the indictment sealed so he could notify family members of the victims, many of whom attended the arraignment.

''He had an obligation to inform them before they read it in the newspaper and before it came down in the atmosphere'' of the courtroom, where packs of news reporters ran from family member to family member seeking comments after the arraignment, Martin said.

No date was set for Ponte's pre-trial conference, Martin said.

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#90232u1799 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - Gasoline pricing restraint was in little evidence Monday as station operators and motorists braced for another round of soaring

costs.

Higher gas pump prices abounded - after a temporary lull last week in the price run-up that has accompanied unrest in the Middle East - as station operators passed on to motorists new hikes in wholesale costs.

Oil companies said higher crude prices are forcing them to put aside President Bush's plea for restraint and raise the prices they charge station operators for gas.

The American Automobile Association said self-serve unleaded gasoline averaged $1.23.7 a gallon nationwide Monday, up 2.1 cents from its last survey Aug. 13.

Since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, casting uncertainty and the threat of war in the oil-rich Persian Gulf, gas prices have risen a total of 15.7 cents a gallon, the motor club said.

Gas prices moderated briefly last week in the midst of temporary freezes and rollbacks by some oil companies inspired by Bush's call for restraint Aug. 8. But by Monday - with such giants as Amoco Corp. and Unocal Corp. having lifted freezes late last week - most signs of restraint were a memory. "Pressure at the retail level has increased in the past couple of days," said AAA spokesman Geoff Sundtrom.

In Philadelphia, gasoline prices continue to rise with each oil company delivery, service station owners said Monday. A weekend delivery of fuel at C&R Sunoco pushed up pump prices by a cent each for the five grades of gasoline, ranging from $1.15.9 a gallon to $1.46.9, station owner Raymond Russo said.

"It's gone up about four times in three weeks," Russo said, noting the highest grade of gasoline was $1.35.9 a gallon before the crisis in the Middle East. "They (Sun Co.) don't tell you (the price is rising) until it gets here."

Sun Co. spokesman Dennis Byrne said wholesale prices charged to Sunoco stations on the East Coast last went up four cents to five cents a gallon Aug. 17.

"We've always said we support the president and we'll show as much restraint as we can. But we need to respond to changes in the market, and crude has gone up substantially and is still going up," he said.

Phillips Petroleum Co. raised its average wholesale gasoline prices 2.2 cents a gallon over the weekend, on top of rise of a penny Aug. 17. Phillips has raised its wholesale price a total of 24.2 cents since the invasion.

Crude oil hovered at about $28 a barrel in trading Monday on the New York Mercantile Exchange, up about $8 a barrel - 40 percent - since the Iraqi invasion.

Oil companies have been bombarded with charges of price gouging but have dismissed such claims, explaining that retail gas prices are not rising nearly as quickly as the companies' costs.

One holdout from the upward-pricing trend Monday was Atlantic Richfield Co., which has maintained a price freeze announced Aug. 8. Company spokesman Douglas Elmets said Arco's average self-serve unleaded pump price of $1.16 a gallon - up four cents since Aug. 2 - has lifted business at the company's 1,700 gas stations in five Western states by ten percent.

"We're experiencing about 70 pump run-outs a day," said Elmets, adding it was becoming increasingly difficult to maintain the gas-price freeze when other companies had not.

"We were hoping the marketplace would come down (in price) to where we are but it hasn't happened that way," he said. Arco said Monday it was raising the price of diesel fuel by six cents a gallon and jet fuel by five cents to ten cents a gallon.

Nick Fedoruk, a spokesman for Citizen Action, the nation's largest consumer group, said oil companies bowed to pressure on prices "when there was this combination of the president saying he thought they needed to show restraint and the threat of windfall profit taxes."

Now, with the Congress in summer recess, "if oil companies think they can increase profits and avoid windfall tax increases in the fall, they are sadly mistaken," he warned.

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#90232u1800 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	180.45	up	0.26
ASE Market Value Index	331.29	off	2.32
Dow-Jones Industrial	2656.44	up	11.64

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#90232u1801 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - Florida Attorney General Bob Butterworth said Monday he will draft anti-gouging legislation to bar gasoline wholesalers and retailers from overcharging during shortages and emergencies.

Butterworth met in Washington with attorneys general from 19 other states to discuss the spate of gasoline price hikes that followed the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. He said he would draft a state anti-gouging law in time for the Florida Legislature's organizational meeting in November. "Hopefully we can prevent companies and individuals from taking advantage of emergencies by substantially increasing prices," Butterworth said.

If the law passes, gasoline wholesalers and station owners who charge too much could be prosecuted. Butterworth did not indicate what criteria he would use to define "gouging" or what sort of limit might be placed on profits. At present, the state cannot regulate gas prices. It can only investigate to determine whether there was an illegal conspiracy to fix prices, he said.

"What we can do now is what we have done - we've sent out subpoenaes in Florida to determine if there was any price fixing when prices went up dramatically," Butterworth said.

Florida gasoline prices have increased by about ten percent since the Iraqi invasion. The American Automobile Association said Monday that gasoline prices appear to be leveling off in the state.

"All indications are that they've not changed over the weekend, and they're remaining constant," said William Dodd, a AAA spokesman in Orlando. "Needless to say, the situation in the Middle East is the determining factor in price. It's certainly remaining volatile as far as oil and gas prices."

The average price of self-serve regular gasoline was the highest in the state in the Orlando area on Friday at $1.161 a gallon, compared to $1.098 in Miami and $1.147 in the Tampa area, Dodd said. "There is a significant variance in the price of gas from one station to another, more than you would ordinarily ever see," Dodd said.

"Some of the stations seem to be reacting more to the crisis than others. Also there has been different actions taken by the oil companies and by the wholesalers, and the reactions have been different and have varied from day to day, therefore the prices have differed significantly from area to area, and even within a city," he said.

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#90232u1803 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks	-	129,630,000 shares
1990 to date	-	25,591,306,152
Warrants	-	1,005,600
1990 to date	-	157,545,100

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#90232u1807 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - The Bonn government and leaders of the largest opposition party have agreed that NO West German military forces will be sent to the Middle East. They say the decision stems from a constitutional provision limiting such forces to Europe.

U-S Air Force units for the first time are in the United Arab Emirates. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney announced the deployment, which is part of the pressure against Iraq.

Diplomats in Monrovia announced today that Liberian government forces and rebels began a cease-fire Saturday. A second rebel force is still a threat. Fighting stopped immediately after the truce was reached.

India says 46 Hindu pilgrims were killed and two dozen others injured today when their bus plunged into a river. The bus was carrying the pilgrim to the Ganges River for a religious observance.

State officials say wildfires have cut across three-Million acres of Alaskan tundra and timber this summer. Fires still burning on two-point-eight Million acres are expected to smoulder until winter snows extinguish them next month.

The Philippines House of Representatives is cutting short its session so the members can help rally support for the government among voters. The Manila government is under a right-wing military threat.

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#90232u1808 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Monday	-	$34,630,000
1990 to date	-	$7,304,170,000

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#90232u1809 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	331.29	off	2.32
High Technology	321.78	off	5.74
Capital Goods	364.28	off	3.70
Consumer Goods	400.77	off	2.58
Service	736.81	off	5.94
Retail	1042.84	off	20.14
Natural Resourc	256.33	up	0.05

Housing-Const-L	337.03	off	3.25

There was a loss of 8 cents in the price of an Amex share.
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REGIONALS			
New England	413.44	up	2.73
Mid Atlantic	421.49	off	4.97
No Central	451.89	off	10.07
So Atlantic	944.26	off	1.41
So Central	328.05	off	1.10
Mountain	115.46	up	0.56
Pacific	380.18	off	6.31
Foreign	254.01	off	0.43

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#90232u1816 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	389.46	386.13	387.73	up 1.00
20 Trans	236.17	233.65	235.27	up 1.37
40 Utils	134.05	132.71	133.72	up 0.36
40 Fncl	24.68	24.42	24.48	off 0.13
500 Stocks	329.90	327.07	328.51	up 0.68

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#90232u1821 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	386.73	233.90	133.36	24.61	327.83
Opening	389.05	235.55	133.71	24.68	329.59
11 a.m.	386.58	234.53	132.95	24.44	327.46
Noon	387.99	235.18	133.38	24.45	328.55
1 p.m.	388.07	235.41	133.59	24.50	328.72
2 p.m.	389.41	236.06	134.02	24.60	329.86
3 p.m.	388.63	235.41	133.84	24.54	329.21
Close	387.73	235.27	133.72	24.48	328.51
Change	up 1.00	up 1.37	up 0.36	off 0.13	up 0.68

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#90232u1824 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Monday	387.73	235.27	133.72	24.48	328.51
Friday	386.73	233.90	133.36	24.61	327.83
Week ago	400.06	245.41	135.80	25.74	338.84
Month ago	420.79	273.35	134.80	28.05	355.31
Year ago	389.55	307.01	138.27	32.61	340.67
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	371.92	233.90	133.36	24.48	322.98

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#90232u1826 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - Indian and Pakistani officials are disputing claims of artillery fire along their border in the troubled Kashmir area. India says its gunners exchanged artillery fire with Pakistani forces today. Pakistan denies any shots were fired.

A conference opened in Geneva, Switzerland, today for a periodic review of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty. A U-S delegate says the treaty has helped prevent the spread of nuclear weapons.

Nicaragua is slashing the size of its armed forces. Since Sandinista rule ended in April, the 96-thousand troops have been reduced by more than half. A spokeswoman says the goal is 35-thousand troops by 1992.

Space agency engineers say preparations are going well as they ready the shuttle Columbia for its long delayed blastoff at Cape Canaveral. They say progress is going so well a launch date may be announced tomorrow.

Officials say normal power service has been restored to all homes and businesses in lower Manhattan which lost electric service during a massive blackout in New York City one week ago.

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#90232u1828 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2647.28	2679.21	2632.43	2656.44	up 11.64
20 Trans	923.36	939.78	917.52	930.29	up 6.38
15 Utils	200.89	202.72	199.45	201.46	up 0.32
65 Stock	919.90	931.94	914.32	923.98	up 4.22

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday

Indus	16,960,000	39,372,600
Trans	2,846,700	4,730,500
Utils	2,684,100	2,791,400
65 Stock	22,490,800	46,894,500

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.48	up 0.09
10 Public Utils	91.88	up 0.10
10 Industrials	89.08	up 0.07

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 134.23 off 0.22.

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#90232u1847 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) UPI - The United Arab Emirates, which has accepted the stationing of some U.S. forces, has the same features that provoked Iraq's predatory instincts in Kuwait.

It is rich. It has lots of oil beneath its desert landscape, and it has been cheating on its OPEC production quotas for the past several years, the same charge that was used as a pretext for the invasion of Kuwait by Saddam Hussein.

It is estimated that both Kuwait and the U.A.E. had been pumping an extra 400,000 barrles of oil per day, contributing to a global oil glut and driving the price down, to the detriment of countries such as Iraq that could not increase their production or sell it on the world markets.

There is one significant difference between the U.A.E. and Kuwait: When Iraq began making threatening sounds, Kuwait tried to appease Iraq by opening up negotiations in Saudi Arabia on Saddam's demand for reparations for cheating on the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries' quotas.

When those negotiations broke down, the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait quickly followed.

The U.A.E., on the other hand, resisted negotiations with Iraq and ostentatiously announced a small joint military exercise with U.S. aircraft last month.

The tiny collection of emirates has one of the highest per capita incomes in the world, about $15,200 annually, almost totally from its vast oil reserves, currently estimated at nearly 100 billion barrels, almost the same as Kuwait has.

The country, with a population of 1.4 million, is made up of seven

emirates that joined together in 1971 for protection and political weight. The emirates are Abu Dhabi, Ajman, Dubai, al-Fujayrah, Ra's al-Khaymah, Sharjah, and Umm al-Qaywayn.

By agreement, the shiekh of Abu Dhabi, the largest emirate, is president and the shiekh of Dubai is vice president. They rule through a seven-member Supreme Council.

The U.A.E., because of its strategic postion just south of Qatar and north of the Strait of Hormuz, has become a banking and communication center for the Persian Gulf region.

Ron Hatchett, deputy director of Texas A&M's Mosher Institute for Defense Studies, said, ''Politically, the move shows Iraq and others that U.A.E. oil reserves are under the U.S. protective umbrella. It also takes some of the Arab world pressure off Saudi Arabia as being the only Arab country to have invited American forces onto its soil in the current crisis.''

''Militarily,'' Hatchett said, ''The use of U.A.E. facilities will help the flow of American forces into Saudi Arabia, as forces arriving by air or ship in the U.A.E. could move overland into Saudi Arabia.

''Secondly, U.S. military operations from UA.E. bases could be critical to opposing any Iranian military actions should the Iranians decide to become involved.''

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#90232u1855 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 33 to 120 points higher.

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	70.31	72.31	70.31	71.73	70.64
Dec	69.21	70.65	69.05	70.10	69.21
Mar	70.40	71.65	70.35	71.42	70.48
May	71.12	72.35	71.12	72.25	71.40
Jly	71.35	72.40	71.20	72.20	71.00
Oct	68.50	....	....	69.65	68.95
Dec	67.75	67.90	67.70	67.85	67.52

Estimated sales: 5,500 contracts
Open interest: 33,711 off 225
The World spot average: 73.49

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#90232u1861 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

DENVER (AUG. 20) UPI - Rookie power forward Terry Mills of Michigan, the 16th player taken in the NBA draft, has signed a contract to play instead in Greece, the Denver Nuggets said Monday.

The Nuggets had traded veteran center Dan Schayes, 31, to the Milwaukee Bucks for the rights to Mills, who was the Bucks' first-round draft choice. Denver lost a bidding war for Mills.

''We were aware that Terry was negotiating to play in Greece prior to his signing over there and that losing him was a possibility,'' said Nuggets General Manager Bernie Bickerstaff. ''It would not have been financially responsible for us to try and match the offer he received from Greece.''

Mills, 6-10, 240 pounds, had a banner senior season at Michigan after two mediocre years. He averaged 18.1 points and 8.0 rebounds while shooting .585 from the field and earning second-team all-Big Ten honors.

Bickerstaff said the possibility of young players signing to play in Europe was ''becoming more of a risk factor in doing business in the NBA. The precedent was set when Danny Ferry and Brian Shaw, both early draft picks and talented players, chose to play overseas.''

Bickerstaff said Mills had an escape clause in his Greek contract and could return to play for the Nuggets.

Mills had been a major part of Denver's rebuilding hopes this summer, but Bickerstaff said his loss would not cause the club to panic.

Denver actually had traded Schayes to Milwaukee on June 27, two days before the draft, but the deal was not announced until Aug. 1 when the NBA raised its salary cap and allowed the Bucks to acquire Schayes.

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#90232u1868 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	25.55-25.60	24.70-24.75
North Sea Brent	29.42-29.47	28.50-28.55
West Texas Intermed	29.15-29.20	28.60-28.65
Light Louisiana Sweet	29.90-30.00	29.25-29.35

New York Harbor spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	102.25-102.75	98.25-98.50
No. 2 Heating oil	81.50-81.75	79.30-79.55

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	99.15-99.25	95.75-96.00
No. 2 Heating oil	81.40-81.65	77.95-78.15

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(AUG. 20) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	253.50	254.30	252.30	252.55	252.80
Dec	....	....	....	255.75	255.95
Mar	....	....	....	259.45	259.65

Previous day volume: 62 contracts.

Open interest: 1,240 off 61

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	329.50	331.90	328.80	329.70	328.65
Dec	333.20	335.75	332.75	333.60	332.50
Mar	337.00	338.50	335.80	336.75	335.60
Jun	....	342.15	339.50	340.85	339.70

Today's estimated volume: 43,919 contracts.

Open interest: 133,696 up 2,0.13

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	180.25	181.90	180.15	180.55	180.25
Dec	102.05	183.60	182.05	182.55	182.35
Mar	185.25	185.25	185.25	184.55	184.45

Open interest: 6,933 off 102
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	543.30	548.40	542.50	544.85	543.50
Sep	548.00	550.60	545.40	547.25	545.85

Estimated volume 11,069 contracts.
Open interest: 7,474 up 264

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#90232u1883 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Texas Utils	2,381,400	35 7/8	up 1/8
Boeing Co	1,911,500	48 1/2	unch
Wal-Mart Stores	1,532,100	28 1/4	up 1/4
Global Marine	1,469,600	6 1/2	up 1/8
Upjohn Co	1,383,000	39 3/8	off 1/2
Genl Electric	1,329,300	63 3/4	off 1/4
Philip Morris	1,313,800	44 7/8	off 3/8
Fed Natl Mtg	1,279,700	29 3/4	off 1 1/8
IBM Corp	1,238,800	102 1/4	up 7/8
Entergy	1,195,600	19 3/8	up 3/8
Citicorp	1,160,500	18 5/8	off 1/4
Gen Motors	1,139,400	37 5/8	up 1/8
Compaq Computer	1,095,600	47 3/4	off 2 3/8
Home Depot	1,069,200	32	off 1 7/8
AT&T Company	1,028,500	33 3/4	up 3/8

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#90232u1891 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Corona Corp A	657,700	6 7/8	off 1/8
Echo Bay Mines	407,300	15 1/8	unch
ENSCO	405,300	4 3/4	up 1/8
Salomon wt Jan	370,800	13 1/2	off 5/8
Denmark K wt	368,500	14 3/8	off 3/4
Cheyenne Software	289,600	5	off 3/8
Fruit of Loom	255,900	11 5/8	off 3/8
Wang Lab B	237,300	3 3/8	up 1/8
PW Group wtB	230,400	5 1/2	off 1/4
Gemco National	226,900	1	up 5-16

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#90232u1896 08/20/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	115,466,200
Advances	693
Declines	1,231
Unchanged	2,353
Total	4,277

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(AUG. 20) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.10	8.20	8.94
91-day Treasury bills	7.79	7.72	7.90
182-day Treasury bills	7.90	7.81	7.90
1-year Treasury bills	7.88	7.82	7.76
3-year Treasury notes	8.30	8.24	8.25
7-year Treasury notes	8.70	8.68	8.20
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.93	8.94	8.17
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.35	9.35	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.99	9.95	9.26
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.21	9.22	9.31
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.52	9.50	9.20
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.54	9.53	9.44
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.53	9.52	9.42

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90232u1910 08/20/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 20) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	22	15	11

New lows	215	326	167

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	613	53,784,500
Declines	921	57,556,400
Unchanged	465	18,289,100
Total	1,999	129,630,000

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#90232u1912 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	8
New lows	101

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	206	2,747,800
Declines	379	6,876,700
Unchanged	210	2,145,500
Total	795	11,770,000

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#90232u1915 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6650	off 50
TRW pf B	172	off 29 7/8
Kubota Corp	107	off 6
Gitano Group	19 3/8	off 4 7/8
Hall FB pf	40 1/2	off 4 1/2
Cap Cities ABC	508	up 4
Nucor Corp	62	off 3
UAL Corp	104 1/2	up 3
Union Pacific	73 3/8	up 2 7/8
Fed Home Loan	59 1/4	off 2 3/4

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#90232u1916 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	175,460,832	33 1/4	off 1

Microsoft	(MSFT)	89,402,688	55 1/2	off 4 3/4
Reuters Hldgs	(RTRS)	50,236,252	46 3/4	off 2 5/8
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	42,628,764	73 1/4	off 2 1/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	36,953,352	34 3/4	up 1/2
Intl Lease	(ILFC)	28,511,408	29	off 1/8
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	25,154,774	44 3/8	off 1 3/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	24,217,346	36 3/4	up 3/8
Oracle Systm	(ORCL)	22,956,148	13 1/2	off 1 1/2
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	22,043,690	20 1/2	off 3/4

Composite Index 170.02 off 2.19

NMS volume 83,577,104 shares.

Advances	575
Declines	1,016
Unchanged	1,227
Total	2,818

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL. (AUG. 20) UPI - The repaired and presumably leak-free shuttle Columbia was cleared Monday for blastoff Sept. 1 on a long-delayed astronomy mission, returning the shuttle fleet to flight status after a four-month hiatus.

The official launch date was announced after the early conclusion of a flight readiness review at the Kennedy Space Center that had been expected to last two days.

The review of Columbia's launch processing went faster than expected and William Lenoir, associate administrator for spaceflight, announced late Monday that Columbia had been cleared for takeoff on the year's fourth shuttle mission - known as STS-35 - at 1:17 a.m. EDT Sept. 1.

''Today we conducted a complete review of the STS-35 mission as well as the results of the liquid hydrogen leak (investigation),'' he said in a statement. ''Based on this review, I believe STS-35 is ready to fly.''

Engineers at the Kennedy Space Center made up lost time over the weekend and lobbied for permission to launch Columbia one day earlier, on Sept. 31. But Lenoir elected to stick with Sept. 1, which has been on the books since the ship's trip to the launch pad.

Columbia's countdown now is scheduled to begin at 12:01 a.m. EDT next Wednesday, Aug. 28. The shuttle's crew is scheduled to arrive at the Florida spaceport later that night for final preparations.

Columbia, carrying a $150 million battery of high-tech astronomical telescopes, originally was scheduled for launch May 30, but the flight was grounded the night before during fuel loading when sensors detected hydrogen gas leaking into the ship's engine compartment.

The leak was traced to a massive 17-inch-wide ''disconnect'' fitting where fuel lines from the shuttle's external tank enter the belly of the orbiter.

The disconnect fitting, which allows the tank to be jettisoned in space, could not be repaired at the launch pad, forcing NASA to haul Columbia back to its hangar. In the meantime, the agency attempted to proceed with plans to launch the shuttle Atlantis in July on a secret military mission.

But another hydrogen leak, unrelated to the one that sidelined Columbia, ultimately grounded Atlantis.

In the meantime, Columbia's disconnect fitting had been replaced with one taken from the new shuttle Endeavour and NASA managers decided to proceed with the astronomy mission and to delay Atlantis's flight until late October.

The goal of Columbia's mission is to study high-energy ultraviolet radiation from planets, stars, galaxies and other celestial bodies to learn more about some of the most violent objects in the universe.

Commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 43, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46, plan to spend 10 days in orbit before gliding to a landing at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	394.08	388.31	388.59	off 4.90
Industrial	420.95	413.23	413.33	off 7.04
Finance	389.99	388.18	388.71	off 1.46
Insurance	458.83	455.34	455.55	off 1.92
Utility	539.97	530.88	531.34	off 4.50
Bank	290.65	287.60	287.87	off 2.80
Transport	434.65	429.98	430.88	off 3.47

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-17) 393.49

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	170.02 off 2.19
Industrial Index	163.04 off 2.86
NASDAQ-100 Index	386.20 off 7.49
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.82 off 0.13
Volume	83,577,104 shares
Advances	575
Declines	1,016
Unchanged	1,227
Total	2,818

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#90232u1940 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - Diplomatic sources say the five permanent members of the U-N Security Council failed to agree today on enforcing economic sanctions against Iraq. NO more meetings were scheduled today to discuss the text of a resolution that would call for multi-national enforcement of the embargo. But the negotiations are expected to continue.

China reportedly has reservations about using military force to stop, and possibly attack, suspicious Iraqi vessels. The United States, on the other hand, has said it would enforce the embargo imposed by the United Nations after Iraq invaded Kuwait.

President Bush finally used the word ''hostages'' today to refer to Americans held by Iraq. That creates a policy problem. The United States has a long-standing rule against negotiating for the release of hostages. Bush says he holds Iraq responsible for the Americans' safety. But he did not specify what he would do.

Diplomats in Liberia say a cease-fire has been in force since Saturday between government troops and one rebel group. Witnesses say rebels led by Prince Johnson ran through the streets saying they would join the government of the African nation in fighting rebels led by Charles Taylor. Both government troops and Johnson's rebels carried out looting after the cease-fire.

Firefighters are describing the outbreak of wildfires in Alaska this summer as the worst in the state in 21 years. They say blazes burned across three-Million acres of tundra and timber. That's almost the size of the state of Connecticut. Fires still burning on two-point-eight-Million acres of land are expected to smoulder until snow starts falling next month.

A suspect in what is believed to be a serial murder case pleaded innocent and posted 50-thousand-dollars bond at New Bedford, Massachusetts, today. Former lawyer Kenneth Ponte is charged with the death of one of nine women

believed to be victims of a serial killer.

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#90232u1944 08/20/1990 ~United Press International
ABU DHABI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (AUG. 20) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney announced Monday the unprecedented deployment of U.S. Air Force units in the United Arab Emirates and then met with American airmen who have already set up house.

Cheney later met with government officials in two other small Persian Gulf states, Oman and Qatar, to discuss their defense needs and traveled on to Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, for talks with King Fadh.

In the Arabian city, Cheney discussed a long-standing Saudi request to purchase more U.S. F-15 fighters for the oil kingdom's air arsenal, but U.S. officials said the deal was not nailed down.

The defense chief, making his second trip to the region since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraqi troops, also was to stop briefly in Cairo to meet with Egyptian officials before returning to Washington Tuesday night.

As Cheney sought increased Persian Gulf support for the U.S. effort to deter an Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia and its neightbors, there appeared to be no resolution of how to handle two Iraqi oil tankers that were defying the U.S. naval interdiction program.

A Pentagon official said the two tankers, one in the Persian Gulf and the other in the Gulf of Oman, were continuing to move south and would be monitored by U.S. warships.

The two had ignored warning shots fired Satruday by U.S. ships seeking to enforce the U.N. embargo against Iraqi goods, and no further action was taken.

U.S. officials were believed to be waiting for a vote on a U.N. resolution supporting the interdiction program before ordering more forceful action against the two tankers.

In Abu Dhabi, Cheney met with the ruler, Sheik Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahyan, and then announced the U.A.E. had agreed to allow U.S. forces to operate from its territory for the first time as part of the multinational effort to deter Iraqi aggression.

''Our interests and those of the U.A.E. are the same, and we will continue to work together for the defense of the gulf region,'' Cheney said.

The U.A.E is a federation of small states on the Arabia penninsula at the

southern end of the Persian Gulf. Like its neighbors, it is a major oil producer.

Sixteen C-130 cargo planes from the 314th Tacticial Airlift Wing left Little Rock Air Force Base, Ark., and arrived at Bateen air base in Abu Dhabi a week ago. They began flying missions Saturday on an indefinite assignment to reposition supplies in neighboring Oman and elsewhere for U.S. troops going to or already in Saudi Arabia.

The operational presence of U.S. forces in the U.A.E., however, was not disclosed until Cheney's visit Monday.

The deployment of U.S. forces is a sensitive subject in the Persian Gulf, where Arab countries traditionally have distanced themselves from close military ties with outsiders.

''It's a significant departure for us and overall it's part of the logistical support we need to be able to maintain our forces in the region '' Cheney told reporters.

''This is a big step for the Emirates,'' he added while standing next to a camouflage-painted C-130.

''I think it's an indication of the seriousness of the situation and the fact that they are deeply concerned that their very existence is threatened by (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein. And they are eager to cooperate with and work with the United States and the other forces that have joined in the multinational effort to make certain that he doesn't come any farther,'' Cheney said.

Surveying the U.S. planes and airmen, Cheney said, ''This would not have been possible, I don't think, prior to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.''

Altogether, there are 575 U.S. Air Force personnel, plus the 16 C-130s, stationed at the U.A.E. base. Air Force officers said there were no plans to increase that number.

Cheney talked to some crewmen of the 314th while others stood in jogging shorts and watched from just outside their air-conditioned trailers - set up on the base for them by the U.A.E. government.

''I never drank so much water in my life,'' said Air Force Col. Dave Mason commander of the 314th, as temperatures pushed past 100 degrees. ''We're going through 2,000 eight-ounce bottles a day.''

Mason said his men were carrying supplies, including food and ammunititon, to ''pre-staged areas'' in the region in support of Operation Desert Shield - the massive military undertaking President Bush ordered to head

off further Iraqi aggression.

So far, the 314th has carried out 35 missions - about 10 to 12 per day - including the delivery of 30,000 U.S. military MREs - meals, ready-to-eat - on Sunday to neighboring Oman, which overlooks the Strait of Hormuz, the bottleneck entrance to the Persian Gulf.

The U.S. military is believed to be using facilities in Oman but that country has not publicly acknolwedge it.

''When you see what's there, you won't believe it,'' Mason said of the U.S. supplies in Oman, that are thought to be waiting to be picked up by Marines going to Saudi Arabia. ''We're here because there's no room there.''

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#90232u1947 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - President Bush Monday called the estimated 20,000 Westerners detained by Iraq ''hostages'' but the United States did not significantly widen military action against the Persian Gulf nation, apparently waiting for the United Nations to vote to enforce an embargo against Iraq.

The five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council met Monday to discuss multinational enforcement of sanctions but reached no agreement. They are expected to meet again Tuesday to discuss the embargo.

So far, only the United States and Britain are participating in an economic blockade of ships bearing goods bound to and from Iraq, but there was evidence of widening international support of a military presence in the gulf region.

The nine-nation Western European Union planned to discuss joining the task force Tuesday, with at least three of its members - Italy, Belgium and Holland - expected to endorse such action. West German leaders discussed Monday joining the force, but concluded its current constitution does not allow such an action.

Greece announced that it would support an economic blockade in principle, but await U.N. deliberations, and Bangladesh said it would send troops to Saudi Arabia to join international forces in defending it from any Iraqi attack.

Iraq gave foreign embassies in Kuwait five days to shut down or face a possible roundup of diplomatic staff. The Iraqi Foreign Ministry was reported Monday to have informed foreign governments on Aug. 9 that ''their missions (in Kuwait) ... had no official tasks with the Iraqi

government headquarters in the capital Baghdad following establishment of the full merger unity between Iraq and Kuwait.'' The State Department has said it would not comply.

In other developments Monday, the State Department confirmed that 12 more Americans have been taken into Iraqi custody and moved to an undisclosed location, bringing to 47 the number of Americans in Iraqi military detention. Reports from foreign offices indicate at least 123 Britons, 33 French and 11 West Germans have also been rounded up.

President Saddam Hussein has said will use the estimated some 20,000 Westerners, including 3,000 Americans, trapped in Iraq and occupied Kuwait as a human shield against possible attack until the West withdraws troops from Saudi Arabia and warships from the gulf.

French television reported Americans were being held in mobile homes around an electrical plant near Baghdad.

U.S. news reports said 35 Americans had been rounded up, but that others had sought refuge at their embassies.

OPEC officials, meanwhile, said they could not reach a quorum for an emergency meeting of the oil alliance as requested by Saudi Arabia. Saudi officials during the weekend said with or without OPEC approval, the kingdom would hike oil output by as much as 2 million barrels a day to make up for the shortfall caused by an embargo against Iraq and Kuwait.

Iraq over the weekend offered to release the Westerners if U.S.-led foreign troops left Saudi Arabia, where they were deployed after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait. The United States rejected the offer.

''We've been reluctant to use the term hostage,'' Bush said at a Veterans of Foreign Wars convention in Baltimore.

''But when Saddam Hussein specifically offers to trade the freedom of those citizens of many nations he holds against their will in return for concessions, there can be little doubt that whatever these innocent people are called, they are, in fact, hostages.''

Bush, calling on Iraq to ''release all foreigners now,'' said, ''I will hold the government of Iraq responsible for the safety and well-being of American citizens held against their will.''

About the same time, the Iraqi News Agency quoted Iraqi Parliament Speaker Saadi Mehdi Saleh as saying, ''We assure the foreigners we are hosting, their families and friends that they are safe and under the protection of the Iraqi families who host them.''

Iraq's ambassador to France, Abdul Razak al-Hachimi, earlier confirmed to CBS News some Westerners trapped in Iraq were moved to key military installations.

''Their fate, their lives and their safety is in hands of your government ...'' Al-Hachimi said. ''And if they are going to get hurt, they are going to get hurt by your planes, your ships ... and your soldiers.''

CBS earlier reported 35 Americans who had been held by Iraq at the Rasheed Hotel in Baghdad had been split up and sent to various weapons and chemical installations in Iraq. CBS also reported 35 other Americans found shelter from Iraq's roundup of foreigners by hiding in U.S. diplomatic headquarters.

The Iraqi News Agency announced diplomats in Kuwait would lose their diplomatic immunity and be treated as other foreign nationals as of Friday the deadline set by Iraq two weeks ago for all foreign missions to close and relocate to Baghdad.

Also Monday, the private French TF-1 television network in a dispatch from Baghdad quoted a high-ranking Iraqi Information Ministry official as saying ''if just one American pilot is shot down by our forces his body will immediately be eaten by Iraqis.''

In the past, Iraq has warned it would not be able to guarantee the safety of pilots shot down over its territory because of rising anti-American feelings among its citizens.

The United States unilaterally announced last Thursday it would enforce the economic embargo. U.S. warships lobbed shots across the bows of two defiant Iraqi tankers Saturday, but stopped short of disabling the ships, presumably because Washington is waiting for the go-ahead from the United Nations.

Other countries have indicated they too are ready to enforce the U.N. embargo - but only if the United Nations calls on them to do so.

The Iraqi tankers challenged by U.S. ships over the weekend and left the gulf region for unknown destinations, gulf shipping sources said. In related development, the Iraqi oil tanker al Montasiriya, carrying 83,000 tons of strategic oil products, crossed the Suez Canal Monday en route to the Red Sea. It was unclear what tactic U.S. naval forces would use with the oil tanker.

The State Department warned Americans not to travel to Jordan and said non-essential U.S. Embassy personnel and dependents in the Jordanian capital of Amman have permission to leave.

The latest U.S. travelers advisory follows reports that Jordan's King Hussein has prepared his country for war.

Hussein, who visited with Bush in Maine last week, initially sided with Saddam, but said after the meeting he would honor the economic embargo against his neighbor.

Included in Iraq's proposal to trade freedom of Westerners for the pullout of foreign troops, Baghdad said an undisclosed number of citizens from Austria, Sweden, Switzerland, Finland and Portugal would be allowed to leave the country because their nations had not sent troops or weapons to the region.

The Austrian Press Agency reported Monday that about eight Austrians and 30 Swiss had boarded a bus from Baghdad to Amman.

Some 17,000 Iranians returned home from Iraq the past two days, the Iranian news agency said Monday. Iraqi release of the Iranians was part of Iraq's bid last week to end its conflict with Iran, allowing Iraq to concentrate its troops on the Iraqi crisis and to help persuade Iran to stay away from Arab nations that oppose Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

In Moscow, the Foreign Ministry also reported a second group of 124 Soviets evacuated from Kuwait arrived home Monday, a third group of 363 were on their way to Amman and preparations for a final group of 166 were under way for their departure from Kuwait.

And a KAL jumbo jet was due in Seoul Monday carrying hundreds of South Koreans who have fled the country.

The Philippines asked the United States for permission to send a shipment of food and medicine to Filipinos trapped in Kuwait, but were refused, officials in Manila said. They said Thomas Hubbard, the U.S. charge d'affaires, told them ''there is enough foodstuff in Kuwait.''

Despite the tenuous position of Westerners in Iraq and Kuwait, the United States continued to re-enforce its troops in the gulf region, receiving permission from the United Arab Emirates to position military cargo planes on its soil.

The military dispatched cargo planes to the strategically positioned United Arab Emirates, Pentagon officials said, and President Bush said in a speech his ''objectives remain unchanged.''

When U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney visited Monday the UAE, 16 C-130 cargo planes and a squadron form the 314th Tactical Airlift Wing, including more than 500 Air Force personnel, had been moved in. Their main

purpose will be to transport food, ammunition and weapons from other parts of the region to U.S troops in Saudi Arabia, the focal point of Operation Desert Shield.

''We are determined to defend our friends in the gulf and face the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait,'' Cheney told the UAE news agency WAM. ''We will find the adequate means to get the Iraqis out of Kuwait.''

The UAE, a federation of seven tiny states formed in 1971, is strategically positioned at the mouth of the gulf, with Saudi Arabia its neighbor to the east and a coastline extending for nearly 400 miles.

Arab leaders continued to press for an internal solution to the crisis, with Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal meeting in Damascus with Syrian President Hafez Assad, who has sent over 1,000 troops to the gulf to join the international force against Iraq.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 20) UPI - A City Council panel, alarmed by reports that hundreds of animals are beheaded, disembowled and tortured in occult rituals each year, endorsed a proposed ordinance Monday outlawing the sacrifice and maiming of animals for religious purposes.

The proposal, based on a model developed by the Humane Society, is designed to curb the practices of Santeria, a secretive African-Cuban religion, and various forms of satanism and black magic.

Devotees who practice the ritual killing and maiming have complained in the past that such a law would be a violation of their freedom of religion but none appeared at the Public Safety Committee meeting to speak against the proposal, which was approved unanimously.

Michael Burns, a supervisor in the Department of Animal Regulation, said the agency received reports of at least 100 incidents in the last six months in which goats, sheep, chickens and other livestock were killed in Santeria rituals.

The killings primarily involve a ''cleansing ritual'' in which a so-called holy person decapitates the animal and then drains the blood on a believer Burns said.

The department has also received reports of more than 150 other animals being used in satanic and black magic rituals during the past half year, Burns said.

These included a cow's tongue being nailed to a tree, a cat being

disemboweled while it remained alive and other similarly gory incidents.

''I think it is an absolute insult,'' said the panel's chairman, Councilman Richard Alatorre. ''It is just outrageous that in a civilized society - especially in a city like Los Angeles - that people use animals for such practices.''

Burns said officials believe more than 50,000 Santeria devotees live in the Los Angeles area, making it the third largest center for the practice in the United States, after Miami and New York.

The religion is a hybrid of voodoo and Roman Catholicism and is primarily practiced by immigrants from Cuba, Haiti and Brazil.

The ordinance, which is expected to be considered by the full council in the coming weeks, would make the ritual maiming and sacrifice a misdemeanor punishable by $1,000 fines and six months in jail.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S. dollar Equivalent		Currency per U.S. dollars	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austrl	.000165	.000166	6055.00	6030.00
Australia dlr	.8083	.8085	1.2372	1.2369
Austria schill	.0912	.0914	10.97	10.94
Belgium frnc-c	.0311	.0314	32.16	31.89
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0139	.0139	72.12	71.82
Britain pound	1.9135	1.9230	.5258	.5230
Britain 1-mo	1.9020	1.9122	.5258	.5230
Britain 3-mo	1.8816	1.8913	.5315	.5287
Britain 6-mo	1.8529	1.8618	.5397	.5371
Canada dollar	.8749	.8741	1.1430	1.1440
Canada 1-mo	.8712	.8705	1.1478	1.1488
Canada 3-mo	.8712	.8705	1.1478	1.1488
Canada 6-mo	.8566	.8560	1.1674	1.1682
Chile peso-f	.003437	.003437	290.99	290.94
China yuan	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127
Colombia pes	.001960	.001963	510.08	509.54
Denmark krne	.1674	.1685	5.9740	5.9360
Ecudr sucr-z	.001138	.001135	899.12	881.10

Egypt pound	.3755	.3755	2.6628	2.6628
Finlnd mrkka	.2715	.2729	3.6830	3.6650
France franc	.1902	.1924	5.2565	5.1975
France 1-mo	.1900	.1921	5.2643	5.2053
France 3-mo	.1893	.1914	5.2816	5.2245
France 6-mo	.1883	.1903	5.3115	5.2558
Greece drach	.006526	.006566	153.23	152.31
Hollnd guildr	.5675	.5734	1.7620	1.7440
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1287	7.7730	7.7705
India rupee	.0818	.0581	17.22	17.21
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000542	1844.00	1844.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7175	1.7325	0.5822	0.5772
Israel shekel	.5102	.5102	1.9600	1.9600
Italy lira	.000865	.000876	1156.00	1142.02
Japan yen	.006826	.006777	146.50	147.55
Japan 1-mo	.006830	.006781	146.42	147.47
Japan 3-mo	.006830	.006782	146.41	147.45
Japan 6-mo	.006830	.006782	146.42	147.46
Jordan dinar	1.5399	1.5399	.6494	.6494
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico pes-z	.000348	.000348	2873.00	2871.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6180	.6195	1.6181	1.6142
Norway krne	.1651	.1660	6.0580	6.0250
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.54	21.54
Peru inti	.000033	.000035	300.425	285,650
P'pnes peso-z	.0423	.0423	23.64	23.64
Portugl escd	.007274	.007306	137.47	136.87
Saudi riyal	.2675	.2675	3.7380	3.7380
Singapore dlr	.5585	.5585	1.7905	1.7905
S.Africa rand	.3897	.3914	2.5660	2.5555
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010400	.010464	96.15	95.57
Sweden krona	.1739	.1745	5.7510	5.7300
Switzrl franc	.7719	.7794	1.2955	1.2830
Switzrl 1-mo	.7715	.7788	1.2962	1.2841
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7706	.7771	1.2977	1.2869
Switzrl 6-mo	.2690	.7745	1.3004	1.2912
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.87	26.86
Turkey lira	.000378	.000377	2646.00	2651.00
UAE dirham	.2725	.2725	3.6699	3.6699
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0206	.0206	48.54	48.54
W.Ger Mark	.6392	.6456	1.5645	1.5490
W.Ger 1-mo	.6392	.6455	1.5645	1.5491
W.Ger 3-mo	.6387	.6451	1.5657	1.5502

W.Ger 6-mo	.6370	.6430	1.5698	1.5553
Yugoes dinar	.0935	.0940	10.70	10.64

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 20) UPI - Preliminary results of an autopsy performed on Pearl Bailey indicate the entertainer died as a result of narrowing of her coronary arteries, a Philadelphia physician said Monday.

Emanuel Rubin, head pathologist at Jefferson Medical College, said the 72-year-old Tony-Award winner suffered from arteriosclerotic coronary artery disease, which probably sparked a heart attack last Friday.

''The final anatomic diagnosis will be made when microscopic slides are prepared and examined, which will take several weeks,'' Rubin said in a prepared statement.

Jefferson spokeswoman Elizabeth Samuels said tissue from all of Bailey's bodily organs must be examined to verify a heart attack was the actual agent of death.

Rubin said there was no evidence connecting Bailey's death with her knee-replacement surgery performed six weeks ago. She was in Philadelphia for therapy following that operation when she collapsed in her downtown hotel room Friday evening.

Her husband of 38 years, jazz drummer Louis Bellson Jr., said Bailey was sitting in a chair when she started rubbing her hands and then appeared to hyperventilate.

Bailey, who had a history of heart problems, was brought to Jefferson's emergency room at 5:45 p.m. Friday. She was unconscious on arrival and was pronounced dead about a half hour later.

Funeral services were planned for Thursday in Philadelphia, where Bailey lived most of her early life.

A viewing will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Deliverence Evangelistic Church, followed by a funeral service.

Burial will take place at the Rolling Green Memorial Park, where Bailey's mother and brother are buried.

E.B. Smith, Bailey's manager of 23 years, said the services will be open to the public.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - The dollar stabilized and finished mostly higher in New York trading Monday after a week of vertiginous declines, helped by an ominous turn in the Persian Gulf conflict and German domestic political problems. But currency traders said the U.S. currency's improved tone was probably just a consolidation phase in its downward movement.

Dealers said the Iraqi government's use of U.S. and other foreign hostages as pawns in the Gulf standoff had prompted some purchases of the dollar as a safe-haven, or financial refuge, in the crisis.

Global funds also moved into the dollar on the news that the Social Democrats pulled out of the East German coalition government Sunday, raising political complications for the full unification of Germany this year.

Amsterdam Rotterdam Bank chief trader John McCarthy said those developments boosted the dollar, which he said was "probably a bit oversold" after its fall last week setting repeated record lows against the mark.

"We're due for a bit of technical rebound," McCarthy said, anticipating that the dollar could gain further in Asian and European dealings tomorrow "at which time the (dollar) selling should resume."

In late New York trading the dollar was quoted at 1.5650 German marks, up 1.55 pfennigs from 1.5495 marks at Friday's session close, and at 146.50 Japanese yen, down from 147.60 yen late last week.

While the dollar is probably undervalued at this point, McCarthy said, there is still a bias against it. "I think people are still a little bit pessimistic on the relative performance of the U.S. economy."

While dollar-priced financial assets may be a bargain, he said, that has been obscured by higher interest rates obtainable in other currencies. What's more, funds can be shifted into those currencies almost instantly, given new technologies, McCarthy added.

"People can wait until the last moment to make these gigantic decisions to move hundreds of millions around the globe," he said, referring to the money movements which have hammered the dollar in recent days.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2960 Swiss francs, up from 1.2830; 5.2600

French francs, up from 5.2000; and 1,159 Italian lire, up from 1,141. Britain's pound slipped to $1.9140 from $1.9225.

In Europe, the dollar closed higher against the main currencies in a quiet market, with interest focused on the mark and pound.

"The dollar traded within very narrow boundaries, making most of its gains on the back of a weaker German mark," said Geoff Dennis of James Capel.

In Frankfurt the dollar moved up to 1.5580 German marks vs. 1.5532 Friday. It rose in Zurich too, at 1.2915 Swiss francs against 1.2865.

In London, analysts said the pound was fast gaining popularity. High British interest rates and the country's North Sea oil resources hold appeal to global investors seeking the safest currencies for asset placement.

The dollar closed higher in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at 5.2305 francs vs. 5.2815, 32.05 Belgian francs vs. 31.95, and 1149 lire vs. 1145.35.

Earlier in Tokyo, the U.S. dollar strengthened against the Japanese yen in Tokyo on the heightened Mideast tensions. The dollar closed at 147.47 yen, up slightly from Friday's close of 147.35 yen.

Gold closed down in Zurich at $409.50 an ounce against $410. But it was up in London at $409.75 an ounce against $409.50.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $409.75 an ounce, up 50 cents from $409.25 Friday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $410.10, also up 50 cents from $409.60.

Silver was down at $5.15 an ounce in Zurich vs. $5.20 last week. It finished in London at $5.15 an ounce vs. $5.20 Friday.

Republic closed cash silver at $5.145 an ounce, off from $5.195 Friday. Comex silver closed at $5.129, down from $5.179.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.50	10.19
Anchor Fund Inv	14.88	15.79
Delaware Mutual	17.02	18.25
Fidelity Fund	16.85	16.85
Investors Mutual	11.06	11.64
Investors Stocks	18.35	19.32
Invest Select	8.25	8.69

IDS Equity Plus	9.07	9.55
Mass Inv Growth	8.50	9.16
Nicholas Fund	3.34	3.34
United Accumulated	6.44	7.04
United Income	17.26	18.86
Vanguard Wellington	16.41	16.41

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) UPI - The State Department warned Americans Monday not to travel to Jordan and served notice that non-essential U.S. Embassy personnel and dependents in the Jordanian capital of Amman may leave.

The latest U.S. travelers' advisory connected with the Iraqi invasion and takeover of Kuwait Aug. 2 follows reports from Israel of indications that Jordan's King Hussein has placed his country on a war footing and is losing control of the kingdom because of support among the people for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The two Husseins are not related.

But sources in Washington close to the king dismissed those reports as self-serving ''posturing'' by the conservative government of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, and said Jordan is ''teetering on the brink of disaster'' in handling the influx of refugees from Iraq.

There are about 5,000 Americans in Jordan, about 300 of them officials at the U.S. Embassy and their families, the State Department said.

The sources, who spoke on condition they not be identified, said the United States is putting pressure on the Persian Gulf states and the exiled government of Kuwait to come with an aid package for Jordan as a substitute for its trade dependency on Iraq.

''The administration is being pretty forthcoming in helping (Jordan),'' one source said.

Hussein, who visited with President Bush in Maine Thursday, virtually stood alone in the Arab world in siding initially with Saddam even though, sources said, he disapproved of the invasion. Jordan's economic health depends largely on good relations with Iraq.

''Everybody was angry with him (the king),'' one source said.

Jordan borders Iraq on the east, the Israeli-occupied territory west bank of the Jordan River on the west.

''Due to the Iraqi military invasion of Kuwait and continuing unstable conditions in the region, the Department of State advises all Americans to

defer non-essential travel to Jordan,'' the warning said.

''The department is permitting non-essential embassy personnel and dependents to depart Jordan on a voluntary basis. The Department of State advises other American citizens in Jordan to consider doing the same.''

Americans who live in Jordan and travelers to the country were advised to inform the U.S. Embassy in Amman of their presence.

Similar advisories were issued for travel in Iraq, Kuwait, the Eastern Province of Saudi Arabi, where U.S. and other military forces have converged and Yemen, where anti-American demonstrations were held in the capital of Sanaa.

The Jordanian port of Aqaba, situated at the head of the Gulf of Aqaba, will be totally closed to imports to Iraq, but there will be ''a fair amount of wiggle room for the Jordanians so they can maintain their economy'' with imports and exports, sources said.

Aqaba is Jordan's only outlet to the sea.

In the Jordanian view, the United States made a ''grotesque error in moving so fast with such a major (military) presence'' in Saudi Arabia, one source said. The thinking was that Saddam could have been ''bought off and eventually neutralized,'' the source said.

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#90232u2095 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AUG. 20) UPI - An Air Carolina commuter plane with three crewmembers aboard was overturned by a wind gust Monday at the Charlotte Airport and subsequently burst into flames and was destroyed, authorities said.

A Federal Aviation Administration spokesman in Atlanta said the three crewmembers managed to escape the aircraft unharmed, but the SH-6 commuter plane caught fire a short time later and was destroyed.

Authorities said the plane was parked at a terminal concourse when a squall line raced through the area and a strong wind gust overturned the aircraft. There were no passengers aboard the plane when it flipped, the FAA said.

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#90232u2096 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - Prices closed mixed in very light trading on the New York Stock Exchange Monday, with the gains concentrated in the blue

chips, as the crisis in the Mideast seemed to reach a stalemate.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which plunged 36.64 Friday, rose 11.64 to 2656.44.

But declines outpaced advances, 914-624. A total of 2,000 issues traded.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.26 to 180.45. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index added 0.68 to 328.51. The price of an average share rose 5 cents.

Volume amounted to just 129,630,000 shares, down from the 212,556,510 traded Friday when the ''double-witching hour'' expirations of stock-index futures and options boosted volume.

Prices opened lower but the Dow industrials, which tumbled more than 100 points Thursday and Friday, quickly turned higher, which analysts attributed to Saudi Arabia's pledge Saturday to boost its oil output to partially offset the supply lost in the embargo on oil from Iraq and Kuwait.

The blue-chip average rose as much as 16 points, turned lower once again, but then rebounded and was up more than 20 points at its high.

''I think the reason we opened up had to do with the Saudis increasing oil production,'' said Ricky Harrington, director of investment policy and asset management at Marion Bass Securities in Charlotte, N.C.

But even though the Dow posted a modest gain, most stocks closed lower and analysts said the dominant trend in the market was expected to be down for the near term, as investors remained nervous about the Persian Gulf crisis.

In the latest developments concerning the Mideast, President Bush, casting diplomatic caution aside, said Westerners detained by Iraq were ''hostages '' but it appeared American military response to the Persian Gulf crisis hinged on whether the United Nations would vote to enforce its embargo against Iraq.

Later Monday, however, the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council failed to reach agreement on the text of a resolution that would call for multinational enforcement of economic sanctions against Iraq, diplomatic sources said.

But the U.S. military moved to strengthen its position, dispatching cargo planes to the strategically positioned United Arab Emirates, Pentagon officials said.

''The market is marking time,'' said Harrington. ''The only thing that

will help would be a surprising resolution to the Mideast situation, which I don't see happening. And in a market like this, the only things people are willing to buy are the blue chips.''

On the trading floor, Texas Utilities was the most active issue, up 1/8 to 35 7/8.

Boeing followed, unchanged at 48 1/2. Wal-Mart was third, up 1/4 to 28 1/4.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T rose 3/8 to 33 3/4, IBM added 7/8 to 102 1/4, Philip Morris lost 3/8 to 44 7/8 in active trading, Sears rose 1/2 to 29 3/8 and General Motors gained 1/8 to 37 5/8.

The oil-related issues in the average - Exxon, Chevron, Texaco, USX and Du Pont - were up sharply. Oil futures for September delivery closed slightly lower after posting sharp intraday gains. Exxon rose 5/8 to 52 3/4 Chevron jumped 1 3/8 to 80, Texaco rose 1 3/4 to 65 5/8, USX, which owns Marathon Oil, gained 5/8 to 33 1/8, and Du Pont, which owns Conoco, added 1/4 to 37 5/8.

Elsewhere, Gitano Group plunged 4 7/8 to 19 3/8. The company declined to comment on the sharp drop.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 159,546,630 shares, down from 262,706,960 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices closed sharply lower in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index fell 2.32 to 331.29. Declines led advances 376-208 among the 797 issues traded. The price of an average share fell 8 cents. Composite volume was 13,596,700 shares, vs. 18,485,095 shares traded Friday.

Corona Corp. Class A led the Amex issues, down 1/8 to 6 7/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index closed down 4.90 to 388.59.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - President Bush declared today that Westerners held in Iraq are ''hostages.'' Iraq offered during the weeked to release the detainees if the U-S troops pull out of Saudi Arabia. At a veterans convention in Baltimore... the president angrily said he will hold Iraq responsible for the well-being of Americans held against their will.

Diplomatic sources say the U-N Security Council failed to agree today on the wording of a resolution to call for international enforcement of economic sanctions against Iraq. The sticking point in the continuing talks is the role of the U-N Military Staff Committee in the operation. The United States says if it must... it will enforce the sanctions by itself.

Two black leaders whose followers are fighting each other in South Africa will meet President Frederik de Klerk to discuss the bloodshed. Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi will meet de Klerk tomorrow. Nelson Mandela, leader of the African National Congress, meets him next week. A week of factional fighting has killed more than 370 people. The fighting spread to more black townships today.

Medical researchers say a drug derived from a soil fungus is working better than other drugs in preventing rejection of organ transplants. The drug F-K-506 was tested on 42 children who underwent transplants. There were fewer side effects than with other drugs such as cyclosporine, which can cause high blood pressure and kidney failure.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - Negotiators for the El Salvador government and leftist rebels are discussing a cease-fire. But some rebel demands, including the eventual elimination of the armed forces, are holding up progress. Previously the rebels- the F-M-L-N- asked only for reductions in the army size and dismissals of some top officers. Some observers believe the F-M-L-N is waiting for a military success before talking seriously.

President Bush stopped in Rhode Island today to raise money for Republican politicians in the Ocean State. Bush attended a reception and luncheon in North Kingstown. The events are expected to raise at least 200-thousand dollars for the Rhode Island Republican Party.

A secret Palestinian group today claimed that a two-Million-dolar ransom was paid for this month's release of two Swiss Red Cross workers held hostage in Lebanon. A group calling itself the Organization for Defending the Palestinian People made the allegation in Beirut on a photocopy of one of the hostages' identification cards.

Quebec residents and Mohawk Indians cheered Canadian armed forces today as they replaced police called in during a land dispute near Montreal. An officer said the 14-hundred soldiers would dismantle police barricades and... if ordered... would also tear down Indian barricades around territory the Indians claim is their own.

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MOSCOW (AUG. 20) UPI - Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said Monday that Saddam Hussein's proposals have ''elements deserving serious attention'' and indicated Moscow may be ready to mediate in the release of foreigners held in Iraq.

Shevardnadze held a three-hour meeting with Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Saadoun Hammadi, who traveled to Moscow to discuss the crisis in the Persian Gulf spawned by Iraq's Aug 2 invasion of Kuwait.

In Baltimore, President Bush told a gathering of war veterans that the 20,000 Westerners, including 3,000 Americans, detained by Iraq should be considered hostages. Saddam has vowed to use the foreigners as a human shield again possible attack until the West withdraws troops from Saudi Arabia and warships from the gulf.

''We care not only for our people, but also for citizens of other states '' Shevardnadze said after his meeting with Hammadi. ''We would not like to claim the role of mediator in settling this question. Nevertheless, we believe that this is also our duty, as it is of any civilized country, to take into account the interests of other states and every citizen of any nation.''

Shevardnadze told the official Tass news agency that he was aware of ''the negative response of many in the West'' to Saddam's latest proposals, but said Moscow is reviewing them closely.

''I believe there are elements deserving serious attention,'' Shevardnadze said. ''We are now conducting intensive work at an expert level. We are studying all details and parts of the Iraqi president's speech and shall respond later in an appropriate manner.''

Shevardnadze said he did not feel ''special concern'' over the 8,500 Soviet citizens remaining in Iraq and Kuwait, explaining that Iraqi authorities were assisting in their ''normal, painless and problem-free'' evacuation.

In a statement Sunday, Saddam provided two ways that all foreigners would be allowed to ''travel immediately:'' a U.N. Security Council pledge that U.S. troops will leave Saudi Arabia or acceptance of his Aug. 12 proposal to tie Iraq's pullout from Kuwait to Syria's withdrawal from Lebanon and Israel's withdrawal from the occupied territories.

The Soviet Union cut off arms deliveries to Iraq, a close ally for four decades, and condemned its invasion of Kuwait soon after the incursion, but it has not joined Western and Arab countries in sending troops to

Saudi Arabia to stop further Iraqi aggression.

Details of the meeting between Shevardnadze and Hammadi were not released. Shevardnadze said after the talks that they could not be considered ''negotiations,'' but were simply ''consultations'' - a chance to exchange views on the crisis.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh said earlier that Soviet special envoy Mikhail Sytenko was continuing his tour of the Middle East and had met with the leaders of Syria, Egypt and Libya in an effort to find a diplomatic solution to the crisis.

Gremitskikh said the Soviet Union continued to support the use of the U.N. Security Council's Military Staff Committee to deal with the crisis, but he refused to say whether Moscow supported the idea of a U.N. military force in the gulf.

A group of 124 Soviets arrived in Moscow on Monday after the overland journey from Kuwait through Baghdad to Jordan, and another group of 363 Soviets from Kuwait was on its way to the Jordanian border, Gremitskikh said.

The remaining 160 Soviets in Kuwait, including employees of Soviet diplomatic missions, will be evacuated by Aug. 23, he said.

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#90232u2127 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) UPI - U.S. wheat exports are likely to fall nearly 5 percent in the coming year due to a record world wheat crop and intense competition for foreign sales, the Agriculture Department said Monday.

In a quarterly report on the outlook for wheat, the department's Economic Research Service said this year is likely to be the first in four years that world wheat production exceeded consumption. The crop was pegged at a record 584 million metric tons.

The world market for wheat, however, was forecast to rise by less than 1 million tons due to larger crops in countries that traditionally are importers, such as China and the Soviet Union, as well as in exporting nations, such as the United States.

U.S. wheat production is estimated as 2.7 billion bushels, the third largest wheat crop ever. Kansas and North Dakota, the two leading wheat states, are growing record crops.

''Despite the large U.S. crop and lower prices, slack world imports and increased competitor supplies will lead to lower U.S. exports in marketing

year 1990-1991,'' the research service said.

However, ''Domestic wheat use is forecast up more than a fifth due to greater feed use,'' the service added. ''This will more than offset the forecast drop in exports and lift U.S. wheat use to the third largest on record.''

The report said exports would fall to 1.18 billion bushels, compared to 1.23 billion bushels in the marketing year that ended May 31. Domestic use was forecast for 1.24 billion bushels, up 247 million bushels from last marketing year.

With this year's larger crop, the U.S. wheat stockpile was projected to stand at 846 million bushels next June 1, compared to the 535 million bushels on hand at the start of this marketing year.

Market prices for wheat were forecast to run about $1 a bushel lower than the average of $3.72 a bushel during the 1989-1990 marketing year.

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#90232u2155 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 20) UPI - The Justice Department and the Consumer Product Safety Commission Monday filed suit against seven of the nation's largest toy importers and distributors to prevent hazardous toys from being sold to children.

The department said the toys, all of which are imported, ranged from rattles and toys with small parts that could choke small children, to toys that are coated with toxic levels of lead-based paint.

Although most of the toys were labeled for children over three years old, the CPSC found they were actually intended for younger children. The agency said nodeaths or injuries resulting from the toys' use were reported to the government.

''The filing of these suits emphasizes that we will vigorously enforce child safety regulations - whether firms are large or small,'' CPSC Chairman Jacqueline Jones-Smith said.

Named in the suits are:

-Toys R' Us, chief executive officer Charles Lazarus and chief operating officer Michael Goldstein.

-Child World Inc. and former chief executive officer Michael Barron.

-Lionel Leisure Inc. and chief executive officer Michael Vastula.

-Value Merchants Inc. and chief executive officer Phillip Cohen.

-Illco Toy Co. USA, and chief executive officer Martin Scheman.

-Beachcombers International Inc. and chief executive officer Harry Chernin.

-Division Sales Inc. and former chief executive officer Morton Marks along with Justen Products, an affiliated partnership.

Toys R' Us' Goldstein said that his Paramus, N.J.-company believes ''it has an excellent safety record, the case lacks merit, the company will prevail in any action and the lawsuit is a waste of taxpayers' money.''

Milwaukee, Wisc.-based Value Merchants' President Mike Mervis said his company has not seen the complaint and voiced surprise at the lawsuit.

''We advised the Justice Department that the action is inappropriate in view of our 40 years record in recall and inspection,'' he said. ''We will continue ongoing negotiations with the CPSC to find a resolution that is acceptable to us.''

Mervis claimed his company has not been importing toys about which it received notice from the commission, and that products about which it did receive notice and already had distributed to retailers were recalled.

Representatives for other companies named in the suit could not immediately be reached for comment.

The suits, which request preliminary injunctions against the seven companies, were developed as the result of an investigation by the CPSC and the Customs Service and allege that the companies sold toys that failed to meet federal health and safety standards.

CPSC officials identified the toys and Customs agents seized them. Some of the toys were found on store shelves and were later recalled by the distributors. Once the toys were discovered, consumers who purchased them were advised via posters in the stores that the products should be returned.

Some of the defendants have withdrawn the toys from their shelves but continue importing them for distribution to other retailers, said Frank Kelly, a Justice Department spokesman.

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#90232u2232 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said that

Iraqi proposals to end the Middle East standoff merit closer inspection. The official Soviet news agency Tass quoted Shevardnadze as saying Saddam Hussein's proposals have- ''elements deserving serious attention.'' Shevardnadze's comments came after a three-hour meeting with Iraq's deputy prime minister.

Defense Secretary Cheney announced today that American forces have been positioned in the United Arab Emirates. Air Force units were deployed to the state located in the Arabian peninsula at the southern end of the Persian Gulf last week. Cheney said that the move indicates the U-A-E is- in his words- ''eager to co-operate with and work with the United States and the other forces that have joined in the multinational effort'' against Iraq.

Meanwhile, the U-S force in the region grows. The second squadron of radar-eluding FA stealth fighters is airborne and headed to the Middle East. A spokesman for the Tactical Air Command says the bat-shaped planes should take 12 to 15 hours to get to their destination. Air Force officials have NOT commented on the exact purpose of the high-tech jets in the standoff with Iraq, except to indicate that the planes will serve as a deterrent against further Iraqi agression.

NASA has declared that the shuttle Columbia is ready for flight. The space agency announced that the previously grounded space plane checked out O-K following a flight readiness review. A September 1st launch date has been set for the vessel, which had been grounded by a fuel leak. Columbia's declared fitness is good news for the shuttle program after four months of being grounded.

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#90232u2240 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - Thunderstorms shook the skies and caused flooding from Iowa to Pennsylvania today. In Rochester, Indiana, an earthen dam is all that's holding back an expanding Lake Manitou. Flash flood watches covered western Pennsylvania and West Virginia's panhandle. In North Carolina... a wind gust overturned a commuter plane with three crewmembers aboard at Charlotte Airport. The plane burst into flames... but officials say the crew escaped UNharmed.

A jury in Minneapolis today convicted three former airline crew members of being under the influence of alcohol during a flight in March. The flight captain said he had expected the worst. The prosecutor says the former Northwest Airlines crew could be jailed 12 to 18 months each. The crew drank six pitchers of beer and 15 to 20 mixed drinks the night before the early morning flight.

Diplomats say rebels who control half of the Liberian capital of Monrovia

have agreed to a cease-fire with government forces. The rebel force under leader Prince Johnson has been feuding with another anti-government faction led by Charles Taylor. Witnesses say the cease-fire linked Johnson's troops with government forces in fighting Taylor's guerrilla band.

An autopsy has produced preliminary findings that entertainer Pearl Bailey died of a clogging of the arteries to her heart. A Philadelphia pathologist today said the 72-year-old Bailey suffered from arteriosclerosis... which likely caused a heart attack and led to Bailey's death Friday. Funeral services for the Tony-Award winner are planned for Thursday in Philadelphia... where Bailey lived most of her early life.

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#90232u2242 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, VA (AUG. 20) UPI - A squadron of F-117A stealth fighters streaked across a rain-slickened runway Monday and took off for the Middle East, the second time the radar-elusive jets have been sent to a combat zone.

The bat-winged fighters left in three groups, or cells. The first six took off at 4 p.m. EDT, seven more left a half-hour later, and by shortly after 5 p.m. all 20 were airborne. But one returned for undisclosed reasons.

Before the jets took off, an Air Force official had said the F-117As showed no evidence of any problems while at the base, and by Monday evening investigators were trying to determine why the plane returned.

The journey will require several re-fuelings and likely will take between 12 and 15 hours, said Col. Ron Sconyers, a spokesman for the Tactical Air Command.

''It's a long, tough flight,'' Sconyers said as he watched the arrowhead-shaped fighters taxi down the runway.

The Air Force has not said what the exact duty of the aircraft will be, except to note that its initial purpose is to act as a deterrent against Iraqi aggression against Saudi Arabia. The F-117As were sent to an undisclosed location in Saudi Arabia, where thousands of U.S. troops already have been deployed.

''They are going into a combat environment very similar to where they are based, which is in the desert,'' Sconyers said.

The squadron of F-117A fighters, designed to slip through enemy radar to attack a variety of targets, had flown into Langley on Sunday from their base at the Tonopah Test Range Airfield in Nevada, about 140 miles

northwest of Las Vegas. They belong to the 37th Tactical Fighter Wing.

Some of the aircraft flown to Virginia on Sunday were kept as spares in case of maintenance problems.

Monday's departure marked the second time the fighters have been sent into a combat zone. Two of the aircraft were used when the United States invaded Panama in December, dropping two 2,000-pound bombs near a Panamanian Defense Forces barracks.

The plane's unusual angular shape and coating of exotic composite materials are designed to elude enemy radar. The single-seat fighter can carry a variety of weapons, including laser-guided bombs and air-to-ground missiles.

A hard rain fell at Langley after the first group of fighters took off Monday, but it did not delay the departure. The leader of the last cell of F-117As flashed his lights and waved to reporters as the aircraft rolled down the runway.

The Air Force bought 59 of the twin-engine craft, and three have crashed since it first started flying in 1981. They cost $42.6 million each, but when research and development costs are added, the price rises to $106 million.

A dozen KC-135 Stratotankers helped the stealth fighters reach Langley Air Force Base from Beale Air Force Base in California, refueling the fighters in flight.

The air tankers that took off from Beale also will be flown to southwestern Asia to support Operation Desert Shield, officials said. The tankers can fly at nearly the speed of sound and at altitudes of up to 50,000 feet, refueling several U.S. and NATO aircraft without slowing or descending.

The tankers carry 150,000 pounds of fuel; there are 6 1/2 pounds of fuel per gallon.

Also Monday, the amphibious assault ship USS Iwo Jima left Norfolk Naval Station and the tank landing ship USS Manitowac left Little Creek Naval Amphibious Base. The ships were to pick up Marines at Morehead City, N.C., then sail to the Middle East as part of Operation Desert Shield.

The ships are the last of 13 Norfolk-based amphibious ships mobilized to move Marines to the Persian Gulf region over the past week.

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#90232u2282 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 20) UPI - The Iraqi crisis has underscored the nation's need to conserve energy and is likely to work in the favor of environmentalists as they lobby for stricter conservation legislation, the director of the Sierra Club said Monday.

''I think the Iraqi situation will operate to environmentalists' advantage not to our disadvantage,'' Michael Fischer, executive director of the Sierra Club, said in an interview. ''It's a geopolitical fact of life there's limited oil and most of that oil is in other nations.... Saving energy is the wave of the future.''

Fischer said the nation's oil companies are trying to use the United States' standoff with Iraq over Iraq's invasion of Kuwait to open up more public land for oil drilling while citing the nation's need for independent fuel sources.

The nation's oil companies are ''raising prices and more than that - raising the fear of oil shortage and sounding the drum beat: 'We must drill offshore in California. We must drill in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. That's the way to secure national security and independence from the invasions in the Middle East,''' Fischer said. ''We're here to say that's wrong.''

The Sierra Club took out full-page ads Monday in several of the nation's major newspapers, including the New York Times, criticizing oil companies for raising prices at the gas pump and urging support of legislation that would require more fuel-efficient cars.

The environmental group is supporting the Motor Vehicle Fuel Efficiency Act of 1990 that would require automobile manufacturers to produce cars that use 40 percent less fuel than current usage by the year 2000.

The ads say the bill would add $500 to the price of each car, but save more than that in gasoline usage.

''The best way of securing national security independent from the Middle East is conservation, greater efficiency,'' Fischer said. ''There is no reason to rush to kill the Arctic or rush to drill off shore when we have energy conservation as an immediate solution. It would be foolish for us to drain America first.''

R.G. ''Gus'' Ensz, a spokesman for the American Petroleum Institute in Washington, said conservation is not the solution.

''Conservation is very important, no doubt about it,'' Ensz said. ''But it couldn't possibly solve our problem, which is increasing demand in energy and a decrease in our oil production. The wells are going dry.

''Nowhere in the ad is it stated the reason we are now importing over half our oil. It is because American oil production has been dropping year by year and we've been prevented from drilling for oil in areas where there might be some very large oil fields.''

Ensz said oil exploration in the Arctic could reap billions of gallons of oil for the nation.

''We think the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge should be explored,'' Ensz said. ''It (proposed exploration area) is only a sliver of land near the ocean. It wouldn't cover the entire refuge, which is quite large. It could hold nine billion barrels of oil, as big as the crude oil bay fields 60 miles to the west, which had been supplying one-fourth of our domestic crude oil.''

Fischer blamed President Ronald Reagan's ''shortsighted, business-centered politics'' for the nation's increasing dependence on imported oil.

''We were conserving energy 3 percent a year in the '70s,'' Fischer said. ''In the '80s all those (alternative energy) programs were killed or put on hold. Japan stayed on the same trail and now they are twice as energy-efficient. By failing to save, we put our kids in the (Saudi) desert.''

Fischer pledged an all-out war with the oil industry to protect the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge from oil exploration.

''We'll bet the club on the Arctic,'' Fischer said. ''It is so important. We're going to make it (expanding oil exploration) as tough as absolutely possible.''

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#90232u2287 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 20) UPI - George Steinbrenner, in perhaps his final act as managing general partner of the New York Yankees, Monday named Gene Michael as Vice President and General Manager of the ballclub.

Steinbrenner, who under an agreement with Baseball Commissioner Fay Vincent has to resign as the team's general partner by midnight, named Michael to replace Pete Peterson as the team's general manager. Peterson will remain in the organization as a special advisor.

Meanwhile in Cleveland, a U.S. District Court judge denied a temporary restraining order sought by two of the teams' minority owners, Daniel McCarthy and Harold Bowman, seeking to nullify Steinbrenner's July 30 agreement with Vincent that would end Steinbrenner's 17-year tenure as

general partner of the Yankees.

Before introducing Michael, who served as the team's GM in 1980, Steinbrenner said he was ''not in shock'' and that he ''was feeling very good about things.''

Steinbrenner reiterated that he nothing to do with the action filed in Cleveland and that he had told major league baseball that his letter of resignation was coming.

''I will be resigning as general partner sometime today,'' Steinbrenner told a crowded press conference in an auxiliary locker room at Yankee Stadium. ''I've gotten all of my work done.''

Sunday, Steinbrenner extended Manager Stump Merrill's contract for two seasons, the first time the owner has given a two-year extension during his 17 years.

Steinbrenner said he made the decision to hire Michael over the weekend and met with Robert Nederlander earlier Monday to discuss the decision. Last week, Nederlander was named by the Yankees' 18 limited partners to oversee the baseball operations in Steinbrenner's absence.

In a related move, George Bradley, the Yankees Vice President of Player Personnel based in Tampa, Fla. will move to New York to work in concert with Michael.

Steinbrenner's agreement with Vincent, made in connection with an investigation into Steinbrenner's payment of $40,000 to a self-proclaimed gambler, stated that Steinbrenner can still remain involved in certain baseball operations.

Steinbrenner said he would oversee radio and television contracts, banking matters, concessions contracts, leases and government dealings.

Michael, 52, began the 1990 season as a major league scout and became the Yankees' ''eye in the sky'' in June, a week after Merrill replaced Bucky Dent. This will be his second stint as GM, having served in 1980 when the Yankees posted a 103-59 record and won the American League East.

''Michael has been an organization man for many years,'' said Steinbrenner. ''He has been a scout, coach, minor league and major league manager and was instrumental and successful in helping the Yankees to the 1981 division championship.

''No one is more knowledgeable in the organization. He will work with George Bradley very closely.

''Michael, Stump and Bradley will be a good team for Bob Nederlander,'' Steinbrenner said.

Nederlander is expected to take over as managing general partner upon approval by the Commissioner and baseball's owners.

Michael, who served as a coach with Merrill, said he was excited by his new position.

''It's a big challenge,'' said Michael, who played for 11 years in the major leagues. ''I'm very happy to be back in the ballpark on a daily basis.''

Asked about his responsiblities with the club, Michael said he would ''handle the baseball part of it and George (Bradley) would take care of the rest.''

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#90232u2520 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - Iraq's ambassador to France today said that the Iraqi government has followed up on its threat to place detained Westerners at Iraqi military installations. The Iraqi official was quoted as saying about the detainees... ''Their fate, their lives and their safety is in the hands'' of the U-S government. Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported that Baghdad also confirmed the placement of foreign nationals at vital installations.

Baghdad also issued a bizarre warning to Washington today. A report carried by a French television station quoted a high-ranking Iraqi Information Ministry official as saying any American fliers shot down by Iraq ''will immediately be eaten by Iraqis.'' America's air force in the Persian Gulf region is scheduled to be increased by 20 radar-eluding FA stealth fighters. The jets left Virginia's Langley Air Force Base this afternoon.

Government and leftist rebel negotiators met for a fourth day of peace talks today. Rebel soures say the talks led to NO agreements and expressed doubt that any significant pact will result from this session. The two sides are discussing the Salvadoran military, with leftists expressing the need for the armed forces to reform extensively. Despite the lack of progress, a rebel officer commented ''The important thing is we're talking.''

The vice president of the republic of Russia today accused Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov of sabotaging a radical economic plan agreed to by Soviet President Gorbachev . Speaking before thousands of supporters, Russia's number two man said Ryzhkov was trying ''to torpedo'' an agreement between

Gorbachev and Russian President Boris Yeltsin.

-30- 1845

#90232u2547 08/20/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 20) UPI - The head of one of the nation's largest environmental groups says America's need to conserve energy is underscored by the situation in the Middle East. Sierra Club executive director Michael Fischer says ''Saving energy is the wave of the future.'' He also says ''The best way of securing national security independent from the Middle East is conservation.''

A Delaware official says a collision yesterday involving an oil taker and a barge was nearly a major disaster. The oil tanker Faith-one collided with a barge loaded with gasoline and heating oil. David Small of the state Department of Natural Resources said if the tanker had struck 20 feet away, more fuel would have spilled into the Delaware Bay. As it was, 152-thousand gallons of gasoline spewed out.

The shuttle Columbia today passed a pre-flight check-list and was cleared for take-off a week from Saturday at Cape Canaveral, Florida. NASA officials say a part which caused a liquid hydrogen leak that delayed the flight in May has been replaced. Columbia's mission is to study high-energy ultraviolet radiation from planets, stars, and galaxies.

Troops from India and Pakistan fired artillery today over their border in the disputed Kashmir region. Indian officials say the Pakistanis opened fire, a charge that Pakistan denies. Small arms fire is frequent in the area, but India says today's fighting was unusual because of the use of heavy artillery. More than 700 people have died in fighting between India and Pakistan since January.

-30- 1691

#90233c0179 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Denning Mobile Robotics (TICKER: GARD) reported a net loss of $449,539, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $156,370 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $498,093, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $75,850 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 503

#90233c0180 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Federal Savings Bank of Duval County (TICKER: AMJX) earned

$167,000, or $0.18 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $46,000, or $0.05 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 467

#90233c0181 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Miners National Bancorp (TICKER: MNBC) earned $552,000, or $0.60 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $607,000, or $0.66 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 430

#90233c0183 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Wisconsin Southern Gas Co. Inc.(TICKER: WISC) lost $249,541, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $5.73 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $349,906, or $0.36 per share, on revenues of $5.71 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 486

#90233c0184 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Home Federal S&L Assn. earned $648,000, or $0.47 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $559,000, or $0.41 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 424

#90233c0185 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Journey's End Resorts Inc.(TICKER: JERI) lost $210,864, or $0.08 per share on revenues of $270,690 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $297,703, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $447,829 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 469

#90233c0186 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Southeastern Savings Bank (TICKER: SESL) lost $5.05 million, or $2.26 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.35 million, or $1.05 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 441

#90233c0187 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Viral Response Systems Inc.(TICKER: VRSI) lost $132,101, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $47,904 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $268,369, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $74,105 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480

#90233c0188 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Merlin Mining Co.(TICKER: MRLM) lost $218,291, or $0.01 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $99,184, at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

The company is a development stage mining management firm.

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#90233c0189 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - United Duplicators Inc. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 500,000 shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is expected to be $5.25 per share.

Grady and Hatch & Co. is underwriting the offering.

United Duplicators Inc. was formed as a subsidiary by United Shoppers of America Inc. to acquire the assignment of a lease/purchase of certain video duplication equipment leased to Hillous Butrum Enterprises Inc. of Nashville, TN.

United Duplicators operates as a division of United Shoppers to provide high quality, economical video and audio duplication services to the commercial, professional film and home video segments of the audio visual

industry.

United Duplicators Inc.'s executive office is located at 4805 Sand Lake Road, Suite 102, Orlando, Florida 32819 and its telephone number is (407) 352-8098.

-30- 1087

#90233c0191 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bobbie Brooks Inc.(TICKER: BBKS) earned $831,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $27.74 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $601,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $26.30 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 484

#90233c0192 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Petroleum Investments Ltd.(TICKER: PIL) lost $262,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.66 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $188,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.23 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480

#90233c0193 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows CAS Medical Systems (TICKER: CASS) earned $1,848, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $751,369 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $25,306, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $634,286 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 488

#90233c0194 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Neuromedical Technologies (TICKER: NMTI) lost $614,125, or $0.30 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $848,984, or $0.68 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

Neuromedical Technologies Inc. is engaged in research and development of transcranial electrostimulation therapy which Neuromedical Technologies

Inc. believes may be effective in the treatment of withdrawal symptoms associated with smoking cessation, various drug addictions, chronic back pain and stress related disorders.

Neuromedical Technologies Inc. has a limited operating history and has generated limited operating revenues.

It has limited cash and negative working capital.

-30- 958

#90233c0195 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows North Lily Mining Co.(TICKER: NLMC) lost $587,608, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $5.36 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $47,395, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $6.54 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 495

#90233c0196 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Texas Meridian Resources Ltd.(TICKER: TMR) lost $282,000, or $0.02 per limited partner unit, on revenues of $3.27 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $505,000, or $0.04 per limited partner unit, on revenues of $3.36 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 522

#90233c0197 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Carolina First (TICKER: CAFC) earned $304,888, or $0.18 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $253,925, or $0.15 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 408

#90233c0199 08/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Prime Capital Corp.(TICKER: PRME) earned $14,921, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $9.31 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $506,833, or $0.12 per share, on revenues

of $12.97 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 481
#90233c0200 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Brenton Banks Inc.(TICKER: BRBK) earned $2.63 million, or $0.55 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $2.40 million, or $0.50 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 438
#90233c0201 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Home Savings Association of Penna earned $93,000, or $0.15 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $22,000, or $0.04 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 428
#90233c0202 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Consolidated Products Inc.(TICKER: COPI) earned $1.39 million, or $0.33 per share, on revenues of $25.42 million for the twelve weeks ended July 4 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.20 million, or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $24.28 million for the twelve weeks ended July 5, 1989.

-30- 518
#90233c0203 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 24, 1990, H.G. CUSHMAN JR, DIR. OF CNB CORPORATION. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $52.51 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,280.

-30- 280
#90233c0204 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 24, 1990, C.C. CUTTS, DIR. OF CNB CORPORATION. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $52.51 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,675.

-30- 274
#90233c0205 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 24, 1990, H.G. GOLDFINCH, DIR. OF CNB CORPORATION. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $52.51 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 742.

-30- 279
#90233c0207 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 24, 1990, C.R. SMITH, DIR. OF CNB CORPORATION. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $52.51 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,244.

-30- 274
#90233c0208 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, W.K. FRANCIS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CITIZENS & NORTHERN CORP. (PENNSYLVANIA) BOUGHT 217 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,252.

-30- 343
#90233c0209 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, C.G. LITCHFIELD, OFFICER OF CITIZENS & NORTHERN CORP. (PENNSYLVANIA) SOLD 100 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90233c0210 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, J.L. WARD, OFFICER OF CITIZENS & NORTHERN CORP. (PENNSYLVANIA) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,912.

-30- 321
#90233c0211 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 5, 1990, D. MEHL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCS TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: MTEL) BOUGHT 319,963 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 319,963.

-30- 346
#90233c0212 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, T.W. THOMPSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNIVERSAL MANUFACTURING CO. SOLD 300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,300.

-30- 338
#90233c0213 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 20, 1990, PARTRIDGE CAPITAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SKOLNIKS INC. (TICKER: SKNS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90233c0215 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 21, 1990, PARTRIDGE CAPITAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SKOLNIKS INC. (TICKER: SKNS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90233c0216 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 21, 1990, PARTRIDGE CAPITAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SKOLNIKS INC. (TICKER: SKNS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 490,614.

-30- 328
#90233c0217 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, S.B. KURTZ, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP INC.(TICKER: PPLB) (PENNSYLVANIA) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 295

#90233c0218 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 16, 1990, T.W. GRIESINGER, DIR. OF BOSTON PRIVATE BANCORP INC. SOLD 6,667 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90233c0219 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 16, 1990, C.O. WOOD III, DIR. OF BOSTON PRIVATE BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 6,667 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,667.

-30- 312
#90233c0220 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 20, 1990, C.O. WOOD III, DIR. OF BOSTON PRIVATE BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 3,375 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,042.

-30- 312
#90233c0344 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

GROUP LED BY ITM ACQUISITION CORP OWNS 13,250,000 SHARES (44.50%) OF MACK TRUCKS INC (TICKER: MACK) OF ALLENTOWN, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 4, 1990, Renault, formerly an establissement of the French State, restructured and became a societe anonyme. Mack announced that it has lowered its sales forecast for 1990 from $1.675 billion to $1.5 billion and increased the projected losses from $130 million to $180 million due to the deteriorating truck market and continued uncertainty regarding the US economy.

-30- 719
#90233c0346 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY WEICO HOLDINGS INC OWNS 646,698 SHARES (93.50%) OF WEIMAN CO (TICKER: WC) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Weico announced on Aug. 16 the completion of its tender offer with 355,000 shares tendered and accepted, giving Weico a 93.5 percent stake.

-30- 457
#90233c0347 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY WEICO HOLDINGS INC OWNS 646,698 SHARES (93.50%) OF WEIMAN CO (TICKER: WC) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Weico announced on Aug. 16 the completion of its tender offer with 355,000 shares tendered and accepted, giving Weico a 93.5 percent stake.

-30- 457
#90233c0348 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 16, 1990, Gemini sent a letter to the chairman of Healthco Intl Inc. (TICKER: HLCO) stating that, in Gemini's view, Healthco Intl Inc.'s proxy statement and related letter to stockholders dated Aug. 14, 1990 are false and misleading.

-30- 484
#90233c0349 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

MESA LP OWNS 1,000,000 SHARES (6.33%) OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP (TICKER: EDS) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 15, 1990, Mesa LP consummated the sale of 867,000 shares pursuant to the stock purchase agreements dated June 12, 1990 discribed in amendment no. 4.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Mesa LP sold 340 shares on Aug. 15, 1990 at an undisclosed price.

-30- 560
#90233c0350 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J. MACTIER OWNS 130,800 SHARES (5.095%) OF OGLEBAY NORTON CO (TICKER: OGLE) OF CLEVELAND, OH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 20, 1990 and Aug. 10, 1990, J. Mactier purchased 57,600 shares at a price of $32.75 to $33.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 469
#90233c0351 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 2,808,008 SHARES (100.00%) OF EPSILON DATA MANAGEMENT INC (TICKER: EPSI).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On August 20, 1990, the merger agreement was amended to provide that the name of the surviving corporation in the merger would be "Epsilon Data Management Inc." Also, on Aug. 20, 1990, following the approval and adoption of the merger agreement at a special meeting of Epsilon Data Management Inc.'s stockholders, pursuant to the merger agreement, a certificate of merger was filed with the secretary of state of the state of Delaware and the merger became effective on the same date.

PURPOSE:

Merger amendment and approval.

-30- 890
#90233c0352 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY MITSUBISHI INTERNATIONAL CORP OWNS 4,682,059 SHARES (24.20%) OF KEYSTONE CAMERA PRODUCTS CORP (TICKER: KYC) OF CLIFTON, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mitsubishi and Keystone are parties to an agreement, dated Aug. 8, 1990, pursuant to which Keystone has granted Mitsubishi the right, at any one time commencing either Jan. 1, 1991 or July 1, 1991, depending upon the success of a contemplated offering of Keystone stock and ending Nov. 8, 1994, to demand that Keystone prepare and file, at its own expense, with the SEC a registration statement covering the shares. Also, the agreements grants Mitsubishi the right to request to "piggyback" the shares on to a registration should Keystone file a statement during the period from the origin date to Nov. 8, 1994. The shares were acquired pursuant to the settlement of litigation brought by Mitsubishi against Keystone.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1129
#90233c0354 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY BRT REALTY TR OF GREAT NECK, NY OWNS 302,473 SHARES (21.78%) OF BFS BANKORP INC (TICKER: BFSI) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Gould and BRT were advised on Aug. 13, 1990 that the OTS approved the application of Gould, BRT and related persons to purchase up to 42.9 percent of the outstanding voting securities of BFS Bankorp Inc.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 14 and 16, 1990, BRT Reality TR purchased 160,973 shares at a price of $8 to $13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Approval of purchase application.

-30- 734
#90233c0355 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY BEAGLE LTD OWNS 94,812 SHARES (5.18%) OF BASIC PETROLEUM INTL LTD (TICKER: BPILF) OF NASSAU, BAHAMAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

From time to time, Beagle Ltd. will evaluate its position and therefore possible activities of Beagle Ltd. are subject to change at any time.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 5, 1990 and Aug. 14, 1990, Beagle LTD purchased 38,800 shares at a price of $13.88 to $18.88 per share. Also, as of Aug. 14, 1990, Beagle Ltd. purchased 94,812 shares for a total consideration of $562,272.50.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 761
#90233c0356 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY S.M. FELDMAN OWNS 2,642,000 SHARES (82.60%) OF WEBSTER CLOTHES INC (TICKER: WEBS) OF BALTIMORE, MD.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 9, 1990, Webster Clothes Inc. entered into an agreement and plan of merger dated as of Aug. 9, 1990 by and among Webster, Edison Brothers Apparel Stores Inc. and EBAS Acquisition Corp. providing for the merger of EBAS Acquisition with and into Webster, with Webster surviving as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Edison Brothers. Pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement, each issued and outstanding share of Webster common stock, at the effective time of the merger, will be converted into the right to receive $6 per share upon surrender of the certificate and that $0.50 of the exchange price will be deposited with Mercantile Bank of St. Louis, N.A., as escrow agent, pursuant to the escrow agreement. The merger is subject to adoption and approval by the holders of a majority of the shares of common stock entitled to vote on this matter. Pursuant to an option agreement dated Aug. 10, 1990 by and between Parent and certain officer, directors and stockholders (aggregately owning about 81 percent of the common stock) have agreed that their shares of common stock will be voted for adoption and approval of the merger agreement and have granted a purchase option to parent to purchase their shares of common stock for $5.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares pursuant to option agreement.

-30- 1664
#90233c0357 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY M. CHI OWNS 235,197 SHARES (7.00%) OF TONS OF TOYS INC (TICKER: TONS) OF WAREHAM, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As part of Tons of Toys Inc.'s plan of reorganization approved by the bankruptcy court on July 31, 1990 under chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, the purchasers listed on Schedule 1 to the exchange agreement exchanged outstanding debt securities of Tons of Toys Inc. and equity securities of T.H.E. Corp. Inc. for new securities of Tons of Toys Inc. Mr. and Mrs. Chi advanced the principal amount of $10,000 to Tons of Toys Inc. pursuant to a senior subordinated note. The aggregate unpaid

principal balance and all accrued and unpaid interest becomes due and payable at the earlier of Jan. 31, 1992 or five business days following the receipt by Tons of Toys Inc. of proceeds from the issuance of its equity securities in an amount of at least $4,000,000. As a condition to the closing of the exchange agreement, the board of directors of Tons of Toys Inc. was expanded to include eight members and Mr. Chi was duly elected to serve on such board. Under the exchange agreement, Mr. and Mrs. Chi, along with the other former shareholders of T.H.E. who received common stock, have a right of first refusal to purchase shares of series A stock based upon their proportionate holdings of common stock issued pursuant to the exchange agreement.

PURPOSE:

Beneficial ownership of shares and investment.

-30- 1640
#90233c0358 08/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J. CHIANG OWNS 840,769 SHARES (25.00%) OF TONS OF TOYS INC (TICKER: TONS) OF WAREHAM, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As part of Tons of Toys Inc.'s plan of reorganization approved by the bankruptcy court on July 31, 1990 under chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, the purchasers listed on Schedule 1 to the exchange agreement exchanged outstanding debt securities of Tonsof Toys Inc. and equity securities of T.H.E. for new securities of Tons of Toys Inc. Mr. and Mrs. Chiang advanced the principal amount of $37,500 to Tons of Toys Inc. pursuant to a senior subordinated note. The aggregate unpaid principal balance and all accrued and unpaid interest becomes due and payable at the earlier of Jan. 31, 1992 or five business days following the receipt by Tons of Toys Inc. of proceeds from the issuance of its equity securities in an amount of at least $4,000,000. Mr. and Mrs. Chiang have pledged 748,350 of the 832,277 shares of common stock received in the exchange to P.T. Bank Niaga, Los Angeles agency to secure a $1.5 million loan to Tons of Toys made in connection with the reorganization of Tons of Toys pursuant to the plan. In connection with the pledge of shares by Mr. and Mrs. Chiang, the company issued a warrant to Mr. and Mrs. Chiang to purchase 748,350 shares which can be exercised only at the time and only to the extent that the bank forecloses on the pledged shares. As a condition to the closing of the exchange agreement, the board of directors of Tons of Toys Inc. was expanded to include eight members and Mr. Chiang

was duly elected to serve on such board. Under the exchange agreement, Mr. and Mrs. Chiang, along with the other former shareholders of T.H.E. who received common stock, have a right of first refusal to purchase shares of series A stock based upon their proportionate holdings of common stock issued pursuant to the exchange agreement.

PURPOSE:

Beneficial ownership of shares and investment.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 5,289,500 SHARES (11.22%) OF AFFILIATED PUBLICATIONS INC (TICKER: AFP) OF BOSTON, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On June 19, 1990, A. Patricof Associates Inc. and other holders of the preferred stock and the 2000 debentures consented and agreed to the debenture transaction; the contemplated amendments to the preferred stock, 2000 debentures and the debenture agreement; the rights offering, and the temporary lowering of the exercise price of Vision Sciences Inc.'s (TICKER: LENZ) public A and B warrants. The holders of preferred stock and 2000 debentures also waived their right of first refusal under the debenture

agreement and agreed to vote all shares of preferred stock in favor of an amendment to Vision Sciences Inc.'s articles of incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock to 200,000,000 and to increase the number of authorized shares of preferred stock to 30,000,000.

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#90233u1555 08/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Bad news in the Persian Gulf has been good news for ''60 Minutes,'' which landed in the top spot in the ratings last week, it was reported Tuesday.

The first 14-and-a-half minutes of the program were devoted to the Persian Gulf, including Dan Rather's interview with the Iraqi foreign minister and footage shot during an earlier piece on Kuwait, including some that previously had not been shown, and updates from Mike Wallace, Morley Safer and Steve Kroft.

The last time ''60 Minutes'' was in first place was in August 1988.

The previous week, ''60 Minutes'' was in second place, just one-tenth of a ratings point behind ''Cheers,'' and the week before that it also took second.

Saddam Hussein had Americans watching more network news than network entertainment - the three-network share of the total television pie was 59 percent for the three evening news programs, but only 54 percent for prime time shows.

ABC's ''World News Tonight'' with Peter Jennings was in the No. 1 spot for the 32nd consecutive week with a 9.7 rating and a 21 share. ''CBS Evening News'' with Dan Rather was second with an 8.8 rating and a 19 share, while ''NBC Nightly News'' with Tom Brokaw was third with an 8.5 rating and a 19 share.

Maria Shriver's NBC News special, ''Cutting Edge,'' which did not deal with Iraq, tied for 12th.

NBC won the weekly ratings race, but boasted only three shows - ''Cheers '' ''Empty Nest'' and ''Unsolved Mysteries'' - in the top 10, which this week was actually the top 11 because of a tie for 10th place.

The other two networks also had three winners - ABC with ''Roseanne,'' ''America's Home Videos'' and ''Coach,'' and CBS with ''60 Minutes,'' ''Designing Women'' and ''Murphy Brown.'' Fox was in there with ''The Simpsons'' and ''Married...With Children.''

CBS was the winner in the Sunday movie contest, airing ''Naked Lie,''

which wound up in a tie for 25th. ABC's ''Columbo'' tied for 37th and NBC's ''Your Mother Wears Army Boots'' occupied a tie for 45th.

In ratings for the week end Aug. 19, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., NBC remained in the lead with a 9.7 rating and a 19 share. CBS was second with a 9.2 rating and an 18 share and ABC was last with an 8.9 rating and a 17 share.

NBC was the winner on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday nights. CBS won Sunday and ABC held Friday.

In the 48-week season-to-date competition, NBC has a 13.1 rating and a 23 share, followed by ABC with an 11.8 rating and a 20 share, and CBS with an 11.2 rating and a 19 share.

Each ratings point represents about 921,000 households. A share is the percentage of TV sets in use that are tuned to a particular show or network.

The top programs for the week ending Sunday, Aug. 19, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., were:

1. 60 Minutes (CBS)
2. (tie) Cheers (NBC)
3. Roseanne (ABC)
4. The Simpsons (Fox)
5. Designing Women (CBS)
6. Empty Nest (NBC)
7. America's Funniest Home Videos (ABC)
8. (tie) Coach (ABC)
9. Married...With Children (Fox)
10. (tie) Unsolved Mysteries (NBC)
    Murphy Brown (CBS)

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#90233u1946 08/21/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 22) UPI - DIGEST:

Baseball

The Toronto Blue Jays have lured Minnesota prep standout Chris Weinke from playing football at Florida State, signing him to a $375,000 bonus. Weinke will travel with the Blue Jays as a non-roster player for two weeks and then report to a minor-league club. Weinke pitched and played infield in high school but will be tried at first base. ... A majority of the players in the Senior Baseball League have voted to form a union. Milt Wilcox, the designated interim president, said the union wants to work with management

to make the league succeed. The league for players 35 and older will open its second season in November.

Basketball

It appears restricted free agent forward John ''Hot Rod'' Williams wants to stay in Cleveland despite an unconfirmed report of a $28 million 7-year offer from the Miami Heat. Williams said Monday he was happy with the $13.5 million 5-year contract the Cavaliers offered him three weeks ago. If the offer from the Heat is true, the $4 million average salary would make Williams the second-highest paid player in the league behind Akeem Olajuwon of Houston.

Boxing

Featherweight champion Jorge Paez of Mexico will move up in weight to challenge for Tony Lopez' junior lightweight title Sept. 22 at Sacramento, Calif. Paez, 36-2-3 with 25 knockouts, defended his IBF 126-pound title eight times. Lopez, 35-2 with 24 knockouts, will make the first defense of his IBF 130-pound crown since regaining it from John John Molina.

Business

Jennifer Capriati, the 14-year-old sensation, added another profitable endorsement to her portfolio when she signed a deal to represent Oil of Olay. It is estimated Capriati will receive $2 million over three years. ... The World League of American Football, scheduled to open its inaugural season in March, has yet to sign any players. However, it now has two sponsors - Wilson Sporting Goods Co. and Riddell, Inc. Both signed 3-year agreements.

Cycling

Medalist Sports, Inc., has been granted a professional sanction to operate the Tour de Trump. For the past two years, the tour operated as an amateur-open, permitting only one-third of the field to be professional.

Law

Two minority owners of the New York Yankees appealed a federal judge's refusal to grant a temporary restraining order blocking the ouster of general partner George Steinbrenner. ... Former Indianapolis 500 car owner builder and mechanic Grant King has been charged with running a major steal-to-order car theft operation around Cincinnati and Dayton, Ohio. ... An arrest warrant for Chicago Bears rookie running back Johnny Bailey could be issued later this week if he does not resolve outstanding probation fines and fees stemming from a 1986 drug conviction.

Olympics

South Africa's chances of rejoining the Olympic movement are the strongest since the country was expelled for racism 26 years ago. Charles Mukora, Kenya's Olympic Association chairman, said he was pleased by a favorable report regarding racial integration in South African sports. The Association of National Olympic Committees of Africa is to debate the report at the International Conference against Apartheid in Sport, in Stockholm, Sweden, Sept. 4-6.

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#90233u2048 08/21/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 22) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

National League - Fined and suspended for one game Los Angeles catcher Rick Dempsey.

New York (NL) - Placed outfielder Mark Carreon on 15-day disabled list; recalled Chuck Carr from Tidewater of the International League (AAA).

College

Indiana State - Named Kim Tullis women's assistant basketball coach.

Football

Atlanta - Signed right tackle Houston Hoover to three 1-year contracts.

Kansas City - Signed linebacker Percy Snow five 1-year contracts.

NY Jets - Waived wide receiver Donnie Allen, tackle Jon Burman, cornerback Robert McWright, punter Bill Rudison and center-guard Paul Wulff.

Phoenix - Signed strong safety Tim McDonald; traded cornerback Carl Carter to Cincinati for linebacker Chris Chenault and waived tight end David Elle linebacker Ken McMichel and defensive back Preston Waters.

San Diego - Signed linebacker Leslie O'Neal to a 2-year contract.

Hockey

Indianapolis (IHL) - Named Dave McDowall coach.

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#90234b0012 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

DAYTON, OH (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Tomkins PLC and Philips Industries Inc. (NYSE:PHL) announced today that, at a special meeting held this morning, Philips shareholders approved the merger of a subsidiary of Tomkins PLC into Philips.

It is expected the acquisition will be consummated later today.

CONTACT: Philips Industries Inc., Dayton
William H. Roberts, 513/253-7171.

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#90234b0014 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

RESTON, VA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Sprint International, US Sprint's global telecommunications and private networks subsidiary, and CPRM, the international telecommunications operating entity of Portugal, have signed an agreement of collaboration in the international telecommunications market.

Sprint International and CPRM agreed to jointly explore opportunities to use existing cables to provide service between Portugal, the Americans and Africa and alternatively, to evaluate the possibility of developing a new TransAtlantic fiber-optic submarine cable.

The two organizations also agreed to work toward establishing an international consortium to obtain cellular franchises in target markets; and in addition to evaluate establishing a company to provide value-added services, including electronic mail and other services, in Portugal.

Sprint International and CPRM have reached this agreement with a view towards taking advantage of the emerging opportunities in the international telecommunications market.

Paolo Guidi, president of Sprint International, said, ''This agreement reflects Sprint International's commitment to expand its cooperative efforts with foreign telecommunications organizations in order to enhance the range of products and services available to U.S.-based customers, as well as to consolidate its position as a leading global carrier.''

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City, Mo.

CONTACT: US Sprint, Reston
Jim Crawford, 703/689-5971
Robin Carlson, 703/689-5664

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#90234b0035 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

TACOMA, WA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Puget Sound Bancorp (NASDAQ: PSNB) announced Wednesday that the board of directors of the company has increased the number of shares that might be purchased under the company's stock repurchase program.

Since May 15, 1990, when the stock repurchase program was last reaffirmed and increased by the board, 757,500 shares have been purchased. The new approval by the board authorizes a systematic program for the repurchase of up to 1,250,000 of Bancorp's outstanding shares of common stock having a par value of $5 per share, for cash in the open market and in privately negotiated transactions. The 1,250,000 shares would represent 7.56 percent of the company's 16,545,284 shares of common stock that were outstanding prior to the recent purchases.

The purchased shares would be accumulated by the company for the purpose of providing available shares for the company's employee benefit plans, for possible resale in future public or private offerings, and for use in connection with acquisitions.

All purchases will be carried out in accordance with certain volume, timing and price constraints imposed by the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules applicable to such transactions. The amount, timing and price of purchases, if any, would otherwise depend on market conditions.

CONTACT: Puget Sound Bancorp, Tacoma
Don Vandenheuvel, 206/593-3602 or
Katie Weiss, 206/593-3774

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#90234b0041 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - California Microwave Inc. (NASDAQ: CMIC) announced that its subsidiary, Satellite Transmission Systems Inc. (STS) has been chosen to negotiate with the Ministry of Communications of Romania to supply a major satellite earth station to be located near Bucharest, Romania.

Romania is one of the first Eastern Bloc countries to be admitted to the European regional satellite consortium, EuTelSat, and would be the first to contract for EuTelSat earth station facilities.

It is presently anticipated that the satellite earth station would be completed in the first half of 1991, providing Romania with the capability for direct voice, data and facsimile communications with all major Western European countries.

The selection of STS to negotiate the contract, estimated to be in excess of $3 million, was made on the basis of competitive bids from major international suppliers. Nissho Iwai, a large Japanese trading company, is acting as intermediary to provide financing for the project. Contransimex is the Romanian national import/export entity responsible for the procurement of the satellite earth station.

STS, located in Hauppauge, N.Y., designs and constructs communications satellite terminals, equipment and networks for EuTelSat, IntelSat and domestic satellite applications, and has built and installed over 600 major earth stations worldwide.

California Microwave Inc. is a leading supplier of microwave and satellite communications systems.

CONTACT: California Microwave Inc., Sunnyvale, Stephanie M. Day, (408) 720-6229 or Gary Gomes, (516) 231-1919.

-30- 1819

#90234b0047 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

GALVESTON, TX (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Hornbeck Offshore Services Inc. announced Wednesday the redemption of all previously outstanding shares of its Series Two preferred stock.

The Series Two preferred stockholders had the option to redeem their shares for cash or stock. All shareholders of Series Two preferred stock elected redemption for 1,002,448 shares of Hornbeck common stock pursuant to the terms of the preferred stock agreement.

Robert Hampton, chief financial officer, noted that the redemption was made because of the increasing redemption value of the preferred stock and because of the company's efforts to simplify its capital structure.

''This redemption and the planned redemption of Series A Preferred Stock in September 1990 will not only simplify our capital structure but they will be done without adversely effecting the company's earnings per share calculations. Previous earnings per share calculations had assumed these preferred issues were converted to common stock.''

CONTACT: Hornbeck Offshore Services, Galveston
Robert Hampton, 409/762-8228

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PORTLAND, OR (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Michael Ellsworth, president and

chief executive officer of Electro Scientific Industries Inc. (ESI), Wednesday announced the appointment of Kenneth Olsen as vice president of finance and chief financial officer.

Prior to joining ESI, Olsen was chief financial officer and vice president finance and administration, at ISC-Bunker Ramo Corp. and ISC Systems Corp. in Spokane, Wash. Olsen has also held financial management positions at Southwest Forest Industries Inc. in Phoenix and at Futura Corp. in Boise, Idaho. He holds a masters degree in business administration from the University of Washington and is a certified public accountant.

Dean Finley, ESI's vice president of finance since 1981, announced in May his intention to retire. He joined the company in 1979. During his career at ESI he served as vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer.

ESI is a world leader in the production of laser systems for trimming and processing of microelectronic circuitry and a major materials and equipment supplier to the passive component industry.

CONTACT: Electro Scientific Industries Inc., Portland
Karen Fullerton, 503/641-4141, ext. 563

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - GB Foods Corp., the ''company,'' (NASDAQ:GBFC) Wednesday announced that the registration statement originally filed by the company with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 10, 1990, for the company's initial public offering was declared effective August 21, 1990, at 9:30 a.m. EDT.

The registration statement provided for the sale by the company and certain selling stockholders of 1.2 million and 125,000 shares of common stock of the company, respectively, at an initial public offering price of $3.25 per share. The offering was underwritten by The Stuart-James Co. Inc., the ''underwriter,'' on a firm commitment basis.

The company is engaged in the business of operating Mexican fast-food restaurants in Southern California under the trade name ''The Green Burrito,'' the sale and supervision of Green Burrito franchises in Southern California and the operation of a central commissary, which sells certain food and supplies to Green Burrito restaurant stores.

The company intends to expand its operations with a portion of the net proceeds of the offering by opening additional company stores and through increased franchising. The company will use the balance of the net

proceeds to relocate and expand its central commissary, to repay debt, and for working capital and general corporate purposes.

Written prospectuses regarding this offering may be obtained from The Stuart-James Co. Inc., 8055 E. Tufts Ave. Parkway, Suite 1200, Denver, Co. 80237.

CONTACT: GB Foods Corp., Irvine
Robert V. Gibson, 714/553-8282

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DENVER (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Forest Oil Corp. Wednesday announced a significant gas discovery on West Delta Block 20 located offshore Louisiana.

The West Delta Block 20 was acquired by farm in from Wainoco Oil & Gas Co. of Houston. Forest earned a 50 percent interest in the 3,306 acre block with the drilling of this well. The discovery well was spudded in March 1990 and drilled in 45 feet of water to a total depth of 16,849 feet. It logged a total of 169 net feet of gas pay.

The well has been completed as a single completion in the K-5B Sand with two alternate completions in the K-5 Upper Sand and K-5A Sand. The primary completion is perforated at an interval from 16,320 to 16,365 feet. It has been tested at the rate of 7,420 MCF per day, 109 barrels of condensate per day, and no water through a 17/64 choke with 3,617 psi flowing tubing pressure.

The calculated absolute open flow of the completion is in excess of 100,000 MCF/day. The two alternate completions will not be tested at this time. The drilling of additional wells on the block will depend on the production results of this initial exploratory well.

Working interests in the West Delta Block 20 are as follows:

Forest Oil Corp.	50.00 percent
Wainoco Oil & Gas Co.	33.33 percent
Newfield Exploration Co.	16.67 percent

Plans are currently being formulated to place the well on production in the first quarter of 1991 at an initial anticipated flow rate of 15,000 MCF per day.

Forest Oil Corp. is engaged in the exploration for and acquisition, development and production of oil and natural gas. The company's principal reserves and producing properties are located offshore Louisiana and in Texas, Wyoming, Oklahoma and Alberta, Canada.

The company's is traded on the NASDAQ/NMS system, under the FOIL symbol.

CONTACT: Forest Oil Corp., Denver
Leslie D. Young, 303/592-2403

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#90234b0062 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

DENVER (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Evergreen Resources Inc. (NASDAQ:EVER) announced that at Wednesday's annual meeting, shareholders approved a one-for-forty reverse split of Evergreen common stock.

The reverse split, effective Aug. 27, 1990, will reduce common shares outstanding from 80,929,452 to 2,023,236.

Shareholders also approved an authorized capitalization of 50 million shares.

CONTACT: Evergreen Resources Inc., Denver
James S. Williams, 303/534-0400

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#90234b0071 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - It's back to school soon for thousands of students, but four IBM Bay Area employees are already on campus to begin sharing their enthusiasm, world of work expertise and know-how.

They are part of IBM's Faculty Loan Program and they'll teach, conduct seminars and provide special assistance at educational institutions serving minority and disadvantaged students in Berkeley, San Jose, Boulder and El Paso.

Robert C. Gonzalez, Michael A. Grothus and David E. Sloan, who work at IBM in San Jose, together with Hang Du Kim, working in Menlo Park, are among 52 IBM employees nationwide being ''loaned'' to schools in 21 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. Under the year-long program, they continue to receive full salary, benefits and relocation assistance.

Grothus, a San Jose advisory systems analyst, is in administration at San Jose State's minority engineering program. Gonzalez, a San Jose advisory engineer/scientist, is on the adjunct faculty in Computer Science at the University of Texas, El Paso.

Sloan, an electrical engineer, is in administration management at the University of Colorado's American Indian Science & Engineering Society in

Boulder, Colo. Du Kim, a programming manager, is on his second year assignment supporting MESA's (Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement) minority outreach program in Berkeley.

Since its inception in 1971, IBM has loaned more than 900 employees to more than 200 colleges and universities, as well as educational organizations serving Black, Hispanic, Appalachian and American Indian students with disabilities.

In California alone, IBM contributed more than $1.5 million in educational support in 1989, plus another $4 million to start the IBM California Educational Partnership, a two-year, $20 million program with the California state universities and the California State Department of Education to increase the use of technology in public education in the state of California.

Last year, IBM contributed nearly $34.6 million in cash equipment and employee support to education in the United States.

CONTACT: IBM Storage Systems Products Division, San Jose
   Walt Keeshen Jr., 408/256-2217.

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     #90234b0073 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JOSE, CALIF. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - In a move designed to meet the firm's growth needs over the next few years, several key promotions have been announced by Silicon General (NASDAQ:SILN) chairman and chief executive officer, Dan Rasdal.

Paul Risinger has been named vice chairman of Silicon General, a new position. Risinger will continue his responsibility as head of advanced marketing and technology for Silicon General.

Ron Duren was elected to the new position of president and chief operating officer of Telecom Solutions, one of the two operating groups of Silicon General. Previously, Duren was vice president of sales for Telecom Solutions.

Rick Stroupe has been named director of sales for Telecom Solutions. His prior position was western regional marketing manager of Telecom Solutions.

Bob Yapp is the new director of marketing for Telecom Solutions. Earlier he was marketing manager of the firm's advanced marketing and technology organization.

Dale Pelletier has been promoted from manufacturing manager to division manager of Telecom Solutions.

Nick Barreto succeeds Pelletier as manufacturing manager.

In making the announcement, Rasdal pointed out the acceptance and growth of the Telecom Solutions' network and synchronization business. More recently, the company has completed a major development program on its new Integrated Digital Services Terminal (IDST), and is preparing a full scale product launch. The IDST is currently in trial in two of the regional Bell operating companies.

CONTACT: Silicon General Inc., San Jose
Dan Rasdal, 408/943-9403
or
Bonfield Associates, San Francisco
Al Young, 415/434-4321

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#90234b0094 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Chalone Inc. (NASDAQ:CHLN) Wednesday reported the highest first half revenues in the company's history of $6.4 million in 1990, up from $5.5 million in the like period last year.

This 13 percent gain resulted from an increase in sales from two of their vineyards, Chalone and Carmenet, and sales of wines imported from Domaines Barons de Rothschild (Lafite) and the Los Vascos wines from Chile.

Revenues for the second quarter ended June 30 were $3.0 million compared to $2.9 million for the like period in 1989. Net earnings rose sharply to $10,000 this period from a loss of $63,000 in the second quarter last year. This increase is due to the accelerated sales of Edna Valley wines in the first three months of this year.

Export sales climbed nearly 100 percent over 1989, while imports, representing 7 percent of the sales, were up 70 percent. The Private Label wine sales continue to rise with an 80 percent increase.

Chalone Inc.
Financial Results
(in thousands, except per share data)

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Wine sales	$2,967	$2,919	$6,370	$5,506
Operating income	496	496	1,272	1,062
Net earnings (loss)	$ 10	(63)	82	(48)
Net earnings (loss) per common share	.00	(2 cents)	2 cents	(2 cents)
Total assets	n/a	n/a		

$42,793 $37,009

Chalone Inc. is a San Francisco-based company that produces, markets and sells premium white and red varietal table wines. The company owns and operates Chalone Vineyard in Monterey County, Acacia Winery in the Carneros District of Napa County, Carmenet Vineyard in Sonoma County and in conjunction with its joint-venture partner, Paragon Vineyard Co., Edna Valley Vineyard in San Luis Obispo County.

Announced in May 1990 was a 50 percent interest in Canoe Ridge Vineyard in Washington State. Concluded in April 1989 was a cross-investment with Domaines Barons de Rothschild, owners of the Bordeaux estates of Chateau Duhart-Milon, Chateau Rieussec, Chateau L'Evangile and general manager of Chateau Lafite-Rothschild.

In addition, Chalone markets the Kermit Lynch Selections, wines imported from small premium wineries in France and Italy.

CONTACT: Chalone Inc., San Francisco
    William L. Hamilton, 415/546-7755.

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     #90234b0097 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire
SAN DIEGO (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - TeleQuest Inc. announced that it had received notification that its major stockholder, Teletech International Holdings Ltd., had been acquired by Swilynn International Holdings Ltd.

Teletech, a Bermuda corporation with headquarters in Hong Kong, is a manufacturer of consumer electronic products with operations in Hong Kong, China and Thailand, and is TeleQuest's primary supplier of product. Teletech currently owns 84 percent of TeleQuest's common shares outstanding.

Swilynn, also a Bermuda corporation with headquarters in Hong Kong, is a magnetic media manufacturer with operations in Hong Kong, Malaysia and the United Kingdom. As of Aug. 20, Swilynn had acquired 53 percent of Teletech's outstanding shares.

In its proposed offering announcement for Teletech stock, Swilynn had announced that if successful, Swilynn planned to manage both companies as separate entities and that any dealings between them would be on an ''arm's length'' basis.

TeleQuest designs, develops and markets a diversified line of telephone products for the residential and small business markets.

CONTACT: TeleQuest Inc., San Diego

Robert C. Fick, 619/549-6200

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#90234b0099 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

LONG BEACH, CALIF. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Harbor Bancorp recently declared a 5 percent stock dividend to shareholders of record as of Sept. 1, 1990.

The dividend is payable on Oct. 1, 1990.

Harbor Bancorp's main subsidiary, Harbor Bank is a state chartered bank with six branches located in Long Beach and Orange County. The company's primary market is small- to medium-size businesses and has over $145 million in assets.

CONTACT: Harbor Bancorp, Long Beach
Susan Shey, 213/491-1111

-30- 685
#90234b0107 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Wayne H. Patterson, chairman and chief executive officer of LIVE Entertainment Inc. (NYSE:LVE), announced Wednesday the appointment of Theodore E. Bean as executive vice president and chief financial officer of LIVE.

Bean, 48, succeeds Roger R. Smith in this capacity. Bean, currently executive vice president and chief financial officer of PACE Membership Warehouse, joined PACE in July of 1986 and remained in this position following PACE's acquisition by the K-Mart Corp. in late 1989.

Prior to joining PACE, Bean was a partner in the Denver officer of Deloitte & Touche for over five years. While at Touche, he headed the office's Retail practice and its Emerging Companies practice. He is both a Certified Public Accountant and a Chartered Accountant.

Commenting on the annoncement, Patterson stated: ''I am delighted to once again be working with Ted Bean, an executive with a broad range of experience and abilities. As LIVE's new chief financial officer, he brings great strength to this critical role.''

''LIVE has grown rapidly over the past few years, both in size and the number of companies now part of LIVE. Ted is the ideal person to help implement sophisticated financial planning procedures and strengthen the financial systems environment at all of our companies. I am certain everyone throughout LIVE will rapidly develop the respect and liking for Ted which I have gained over the years.''

It is anticipated that Bean will join LIVE around Sept. 10 and will work with Roger Smith in ensuring a smooth transition.

LIVE Entertainment is a diversified entertainment software supplier, distributor and retailer, with headquarters in Los Angeles and is the parent company of Los Angeles-based home video supplier LIVE Home Video Inc.; Minneapolis-based rackjobber Lieberman Enterprises Inc.; the LIVE Specialty Retail Group, with headquarters in Milford, Mass., which includes Strawberries Records, Tapes & CDs, and the Waxie Maxie music chain; and indirect subsidiary VCL/Carolco Communications GmbH, a home video distributor based in Munich, Germany.

CONTACT: LIVE Entertainment Inc., Los Angeles
Vicki D. Greenleaf, 818/778-3260

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#90234b0108 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Peter M. Hoffman, president and chief executive officer of Carolco Pictures Inc. (NYSE:CRC), announced the appointment of Roger R. Smith as executive vice president of Carolco.

Smith is currently executive vice president and chief financial officer of Carolco's 48-percent owned affiliate, LIVE Entertainment Inc. In his new capacity at Carolco, Smith will work with Peter Hoffman in developing and implementing Carolco's strategic plan to become an increasingly integrated worldwide producer/distributor of motion pictures and television in all media.

Smith is currently a member of the board of directors of Carolco and will continue to serve on the board in his new position. Prior to joining LIVE's predecessor International Video Entertainment in 1987, Smith had spent three years as an entrepreneur in the video business. This followed 10 years in various executive capacities at Warner Communications Inc.

Commenting on this announcement, Hoffman stated, ''Roger's three years as LIVE's chief financial officer and his long-time background in numerous aspects of the entertainment industry give him an ideal background for this new role. Carolco's success in helping build LIVE into the leading independent domestic video company suggests similar opportunities in various key markets around the world. We at Carolco welcome Roger and look forward to the contribution he will make.''

Joining in the announcement, Wayne H. Patterson, chairman and chief executive officer of LIVE stated, ''In just the four months since joining LIVE, I have developed both a great respect for Roger's abilities and an understanding of his contribution to building LIVE to its present size and

position in the entertainment software industry.

''He has played a critical part in the numerous acquisitions LIVE has made and in the financing of the company. I am pleased that his decision to join Carolco means that we will still work closely together and that Roger will remain a member of LIVE's board of directors.''

It is anticipated that Smith will remain at LIVE through the end of September, effecting a smooth transition with LIVE's newly announced chief financial officer.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. Wednesday announced its board of directors voted unanimously for company president, Eric Benhamou, to assume the additional responsibilities of chief executive officer, effective Sept. 20, the date of 3Com's annual meeting of shareholders. Bill Krause, currently chairman and chief executive officer of 3Com, will continue as chairman of the board.

"Confirming Eric Benhamou's assumption of my CEO responsibilities completes the management succession I developed nearly two years ago," said Krause. "In the seven years I have worked with Eric, he has continually demonstrated technical vision, solid management and operations expertise and the capacity for increased responsibilities.

"As president and chief operating officer, he has provided the leadership necessary to implement our operating plans and is proving himself the best possible leader for 3Com in 90s."

During his nearly 10-year tenure as chief executive officer, Krause has seen 3Com grow from a start-up PC networking company to a $420 million global data networking leader with 2,000 employees serving an installed base of more than 2.5 million networking users worldwide.

"The 90s will mark a new era in data networking as customers look for a broad-based independent company capable of fulfilling a wide range of multivendor data networking needs," said Benhamou.

"Bill Krause and 3Com's founding management team built a solid foundation upon which to grow our business and meet these emerging industry requirements.

"I look forward to the challenges and opportunities that 3Com and its

partners must address to achieve and maintain our leadership in global data networking."

Debra Engel, vice president, corporate services will report to Benhamou in addition to Les Denend, executive vice president, product operations; Bob Finocchio, executive vice president, field operations; and Chris Paisley, vice president and chief financial officer.

In addition to his responsibilities as chairman, Krause will continue working with the company to ensure a successful leadership transition, meet with senior executives of key customers and industry partners, be available for advice and counsel as needed, and to begin devoting some time to thinking about the next phase of his career.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Odyssey Entertainment Ltd. (NASDAQ:ODYY) Wednesday reported revenue of $4,766,490, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, as compared with revenue of $435,733, for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

The company posted net income of $263,916, or 6 cents per share, for the 1990 quarter vs. a loss of $948,721, or 21 cents per share, for the 1989 quarter.

The 994 percent increase in revenue for the current period year is primarily attributable to the domestic release of ''Q & A,'' for which the company has foreign distribution rights and participates through a joint venture in a percentage of the domestic revenues.

Net income includes a management service fee of $500,000 pursuant to an agreement with Double Helix Films Inc. (''Double Helix,'' NASDAQ:DHFI) to provide consulting services. Odyssey has a need for additional working capital in order to continue operations at present levels and, if such additional financing is not obtained, it may be necessary for Odyssey to restrict its business accordingly.

In December 1989, Odyssey, Double Helix, Communications and Entertainment Corp. (''ComEnt'') and two wholly owned subsidiaries entered into a merger agreement which provides that Odyssey and Double Helix will survive as wholly owned subsidiaries of ComEnt.

The consummation of the mergers is subject to approval of the merger agreement by the stockholders of Odyssey and Double Helix and Special

Meetings of Stockholders for both companies will be held on Sept. 6, 1990.

Odyssey, based in Los Angeles, is engaged primarily in licensing the distribution rights to American and foreign feature-length films in foreign markets and has produced, co-produced or provided financing for feature films.

Double Helix, based in New York, is engaged primarily in the distribution of low- and medium-budget feature films, principally licensing movies for the home video market, outside the United States and Canada.

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OAKLAND, CA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - W. B. Seaton, chairman of American President Companies Ltd. (NYSE:APS) said Wednesday that the company has initiated a program aimed at repositioning its cost structure and simplifying its business processes.

The company's goals are to make a substantial one-time reduction in its cost structure and, of equal importance, to simplify its work processes. This will further improve the company's already high levels of customer service.

The company anticipates that this program will result in a one-time charge to earnings this year. The extent of this charge will not be known until after plans are completed and implementation has begun, prior to the company's 1990 fiscal year-end.

Seaton said costs will be reduced by eliminating non-essential work and retaining only those functions essential for APC's current business and to support its strategy for the future. All functions will be reviewed, with special emphasis on overhead and staff.

The company's Repositioning & Simplification effort will take place in two phases. The first phase of the program will primarily be directed at eliminating non-essential functions and making APC's organization more efficient. This phase will involve some layoffs.

The second phase of implementation will continue through 1991. It will primarily relate to process simplification, investments in efficiency and training for greater effectiveness. Although there may be some layoffs during this second phase, the company's objective will be to accomplish any employment reductions through attrition.

American President Companies Ltd. provides container distribution and transportation services within and between Asia and North America through an intermodal system combining ocean, rail and truck transportation.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert J. Dankanyin and David R. Barclay have been given new high-level positions at Hughes Aircraft Co.

Dankanyin, 56, corporate vice president for diversification, has been elected a senior vice president. A 28-year veteran at Hughes, he will continue to spearhead the company's diversification program and be involved in acquisitions, divestitures, joint ventures and other alliances. He also continues as a member of the Hughes policy board and has been named to the executive management committee.

Barclay, 58, currently staff vice president for human resources development, has been elected to the new post of vice president for work force diversity. Active for more than two decades in equal employment opportunity and affirmative action programs within the aerospace and electronics industry, the 19-year Hughes veteran also becomes a member of the company's policy board.

In another move, Terian C. Day, 42, director of human resources for the Hughes Space and Communications Group, has been named corporate director of organizational and human resources development. Day will be responsible for company program development related to organizational and human resources development, succession planning, human resources information and administrative systems.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Aztar Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:AZTR) reported today that the Nevada Supreme Court had denied the company's petition for a rehearing on the court's July 3, 1990, decision upholding a lower court judgment ordering Aztar to pay approximately $33 million in a 10-year-old contract dispute.

The Nevada Supreme Court's action in effect upheld its decision dismissing the company's appeal of a Clark County (Nevada) District Court judgment entered in May 1989 involving a contract dispute in the acquisition by

Ramada Inc., Aztar's predecessor, of the leasehold interest in the Tropicana Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, Nev., in 1979.

The plaintiffs in the 1983 suit were Hotel Conquistador Inc., and its stockholders. The court made no comment on the reasons for its decision not to grant a rehearing.

The lower court had ordered the company to pay $14.225 million as part of the Tropicana acquisition plus interest on that amount from January 1982 forward, and to pay attorney's fees and costs. Aztar officials said the judgment will be satisfied at the time required by the court with available company funds.

The total liability through June 28, 1990, the end of the company's second quarter, was approximately $33.6 million, with interest accruing at the rate of approximately $11,000 per day.

Aztar reported a provision of $33.6 million for the judgment in its second quarter 1990 consolidated statement of operations.

Aztar Corp. is a publicly held casino gaming company that operates TropWorld Casino and Entertainment Resort in Atlantic City, N.J., and the Ramada Express Hotel and Casino in Laughlin, Nev., as well as the Tropicana.

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FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Northern Railroad (NYSE:BNI) Wednesday announced it has concurred with requests from connecting rail carriers to raise joint-line freight rates and is raising rates for BN customers.

The various increases in joint-line rates average about 4 percent.

The railroad said it regretted the necessity of having to raise prices but it no longer could absorb the increased costs of diesel fuel and other expenses such as those paid under provisions of the Federal Employers' Liability Act.

BN said it will work with individual customers on specific approaches to implementing the increases.

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NOVATO, CA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - National Surety Corp. was Tuesday granted a temporary restraining order by the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia against a group that is apparently issuing bogus surety bonds, including bonds covering the handling and removal of hazardous waste materials in National Surety Corp.'s name. National Surety is a Chicago-based subsidiary of Fireman's Fund Insurance Co. (NYSE:FFC), Novato, Calif.

The temporary restraining order was issued to stop Wakashaw Corp. of Roswell, Ga., and Patrick Cassidy, Barry P. Rawson, Keith A. Hankinson, Kenneth Burns and Keith Burns, as well as their agents, from continuing to do business as a bogus agent for National Surety Corp.

A U.S. Marshall was also empowered to seize Wakashaw's records relating to the alleged bogus National Surety Corp. bonding operation.

''The danger here is that contractors engaged in removing toxic waste materials, or any other public works projects, would not be bonded while undertaking the project. If there was a problem, the bonds would not respond, that is, there would be no coverage and the government would be stuck. This apparent scheme would translate into another loss for the taxpayers,'' said Bob Blackburn, surety manager, Fireman's Fund Insurance Co., Atlanta branch.

National Surety's suit alleges that beginning in late July, the defendants formulated a scheme to defraud National Surety Corp., various independent insurance agents and the public at large through the issuance of bogus ''National Surety Corp.'' surety bonds.

The scheme began in July when Cassidy and Wakashaw Corp. leased office space in Roswell. Office space was also leased in Chicago under the name ''National Surety Corp.'' The Chicago office was apparently just a telephone answering service and mail drop. Wakashaw also obtained 100 blank power of attorney forms purporting to be National Surety Corp. forms and had them notarized in Illinois. Wakashaw also had a telephone installed and listed with directory assistance in Chicago.

''When a directory assistance caller asks for the National Surety Corp., the Chicago information operator asks, 'Which one?''' said Joe Forman, assistant vice president, Fireman's Fund corporate investigative unit.

The defendants allegedly then prepared a series of bogus bonding forms purporting to be National Surety Corp. forms. They were ready to roll.

Fireman's Fund has also referred this matter to the U.S. Attorney's office in Atlanta and will also be contacting appropriate state and local insurance and surety regulatory authorities.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Polestar Exploration Inc. is pleased to report on completion test results for the Bowtex/Knickerbocker et Al Altares b-82-G gas well, 80 km northwest of Fort St. John, British Columbia, which was drilled to a depth of 2,075 meters.

Polestar has earned a 7.5% working interest in about 4 sections of lease lands. Several favourable zones were intersected in the Halfway formation, one of which tested at a stabilized rate of 2.2 million cubic feet per day (mmcf/d) of slightly sour gas and about 50 bbls per day of high quality condensate. The two week production test indicated minimal reservoir depletion.

The nearest Halfway well (10 km away) has been producing since 1969.

Another production test was carried out on a 15 meter zone in the shallower Bluesky formation. This zone has the potential to produce 5.0 mmcf/d of sweet gas with small amounts of liquids.

The operator has secured transportation with Westcoast Transmission (2 km away) for 10 mmcf/d starting Nov. 1, 1991. At least one additional well is planned for the coming winter season.

Neighboring Czar Resources have indicated that they wish to tie their wells into the same facility.

The Vancouver Stock Exchange has neither approved nor disapproved of the contents of this release.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - National Health Enhancement Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:NHES) Wednesday announced estimated financial results for the six months ended July 31, 1990, and the successful completion of the raising of additional capital.

Gregory J. Petras, president and chief executive officer of the company, reported that the company had the most profitable six months in its history. Estimated revenues for the six-month period ended July 31, 1990, is approximately $1,942,000 which is up approximately 8 percent from revenues for the six-month period ended July 31, 1989. Net income for the six-month period ended July 31, 1990, will be between $55,000 and $61,000, or earnings per share of approximately 3 cents.

Petras stated that the company has experienced improved operating performance during its second fiscal quarter due primarily to the success of its two new products; The Professionals and Centramax.

Petras also reported that the company raised $275,000 in additional capital. Petras stated that the company secured a note payable for $125,000 with an independent group of investors and sold its Riskscan health risk appraisal, a minor product line, for $150,000 to a major publishing company. Petras indicated that the improved operating results and additional capital have improved the company's financial position.

National Health Enhancement Systems Inc. is a developer, marketer and distributor of marketing systems for the health care industry.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - KPMG, the world's largest accounting and consulting firm, will open an office in Moscow this fall as part of its expansion into Central and Eastern Europe, it was announced by Larry D. Horner, chairman.

In the last year, KPMG has announced new office openings in Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Poland and East Germany, The firm's surveys of CEOs and international vice presidents, confirm strong U.S. business interest in investing in Central and Eastern Europe. And more than half of the major U.S. businesses indicate they already consider the Soviet Union a large new market of enormous potential, and are actively investigating investments in that market.

''With the new Moscow office,'' said Horner, ''KPMG will be in 118

countries worldwide. Our major objectives are to serve Soviet clients and our U.S. multinational clients interested in investment or joint ventures in one of the world's largest markets.''

''Our immediate efforts will be focused on helping U.S. businesses examine the opportunities the Soviet market may hold for them and helping them connect with Soviet Partners,''said Horner.

''Additionally we wish to provide increased service capabilities to our Soviet clients, such as Narodny Bank, and to coordinate all KPMG services provided by the firm's various national practices.''

Michael J. Wharton, a partner in the Zurich office of KPMG, had been named by the KPMG International Executive Committee to head the office. Fluent in Russian, Wharton has substantial international experience with KPMG.

Said Horner, ''Mike Wharton and his team will investigate the feasibility of several joint venture opportunities that have been presented to KPMG by Soviet entities in recent months.'' He noted that among the opportunities is the establishment of a company designed to transform management and operations of the Soviet construction industry towards a free market economy.

KPMG, with more than 700 offices in 118 countries worldwide, posted 1989 revenues of $4.3 billion. KPMG offers several publications on doing business in the Soviet Union. For more information contact Aidan St. P. Walsh, director, Europe/USSR Center, KPMG Peat Marwick, 767 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10153.

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TAMPA, FLA. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - International Container Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ICSI), Wednesday announced the appointment of two new officers effective immediately.

John D. Knierman, formerly National Sales Manager, has been appointed Vice President, Sales and Marketing. Tom L. Irving, formerly Controller and Principal Financial Officer, has been appointed Vice President, Finance, Chief Financial Officer.

Daniel P. Colligan has been appointed to the position of National Sales Manager, the position formerly held by Knierman.

In making this announcement, Lloyd W. Jones, president, chief executive officer, stated he felt these new appointments would strengthen the management of the company.

International Container Systems Inc. is a major supplier of proprietary and patented plastic packaging systems for the transport and merchandising of disposable glass and PET plastic bottles and cans of soft drinks.

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MIAMI (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Aug. 22, 1990,...Peoples Telephone Company Inc. (NASDAQ:PTEL) today announced that it has acquired U.S. Commercial Telephone Corp. (USCT) for $5 million in cash and that it has also received a contract to provide pay-telephones for the New Mexico correctional facilities.

USCT operates approximately 1,900 pay telephones in California and Arizona. In 1989, USCT generated revenues of approximately $6 million. Peoples Telephone Company plans to integrate these telephones into its existing operating system.

The company also announced the receipt a of contract to provide approximately 225 pay telephones to the state of New Mexico correctional facilities. These phones will be in operation within the next 90 days and are anticipated to generate over $2.5 million of revenue annually.

Jeffrey Hanft, chairman and chief executive officer of Peoples Telephone, commented, ''The acquisition of USCT provides us with a nationwide presence, and a strong base of operations from which to expand our network.

''The contract from the state of New Mexico is important -- as these telephones typically generate higher levels of revenues per phone -- and demonstrates our ability to effectively service this lucrative market. We continue to seek other acquisitions and contracts that will grow our business.''

Peoples Telephone Company Inc. is one of the nation's leading public communications companies, and with this acquisition, operates 11,000 pay telephones in 19 states.

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MALLORY FACTOR Inc., New York
Donna Stein, Amy Ludwig, 212/242-0000

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Inmac Corp. (NASDAQ:INMC), the leading direct response marketer of computer aftermarket data communications and computer accessory products, Wednesday announced it is completing the restructuring it began last year by transferring most corporate staff functions to its major operating units and eliminating redundant functions.

The company has operating units in the United States, the United Kingdom, Germany, France, Sweden, the Netherlands, Canada, Italy and Japan.

The action will reduce employment by approximately 50, half in the Santa Clara area, and half at its European headquarters at Bracknell, England. This represents approximately 3.5 percent of its employment of 1,400.

''Like most U.S. companies, we have been evaluating and tuning our operations to increase our competitiveness and efficiency,'' said President and Chief Executive Officer Kenneth A. Eldred.

''Reducing review functions and corporate overhead is an important step in the process. We believe this decentralization will enable us to get products to market faster, be more responsive to local customer needs, and be more in tune with our major markets.''

He added: ''Our sales have increased steadily over the past few years, especially in the fast growing European and Asian markets. We must respond quickly to this new demand, and we believe that can best be done in operating units close to customers rather than by building a larger corporate staff.''

Eldred further stated: ''We have been turning to efficient, high quality suppliers for products we once had to build ourselves. This restructuring enables us to use flexible outside resources rather than burdening ourselves with fixed costs that are difficult to manage with changes in demand and business conditions.''

The company markets its products directly to microcomputer and minicomputer users through its full-color catalogs. The company offers over 3,500 items, virtually all of which carry the Inmac brand name and are either manufactured by others to its specifications or are manufactured by the company.

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Curt Bradbury, chief executive officer of Worthen Banking Corp. (ASE:WOR), and T.E. Renaud, chief executive officer of Twin City Bank and TC Bankshares Inc., announced that the principal shareholders of Twin City Bank and TC Bankshares Inc. Wednesday entered into a non-binding letter of intent with Worthen Banking Corp. for Worthen to acquire in a cash transaction, all of the outstanding preferred and common stock of TC Bankshares Inc., and all of the outstanding preferred and approximately 98 percent of the common stock of Twin City Bank.

The completion of the transaction is subject to the parties reaching a definitive agreement after Worthen has concluded its due diligence investigation. Completion is also subject to approval by the Federal Reserve Board and Worthen's shareholders, and to Worthen's obtaining satisfactory financing.

Worthen contemplates a capital offering in connection with the transaction. Assuming all necessary approvals are obtained, the parties expect the transaction to be completed on or before Dec. 31, 1990.

According to Bradbury and Renaud, the purchase price will be equal to the sum of preferred equity plus one and one half times common equity, including net income during 1990 prior to closing. The total consideration for the acquisitions is dependent upon the earnings of Twin City Bank and TC Bankshares Inc., but shall not exceed $75 million if closing occurs by Dec. 31, 1990.

If closing does not occur by Dec. 31, 1990, and the parties agree to close after that date, the purchase price shall be increased by the amount of earnings after Dec. 31, 1990, and the total purchase price will not be limited to $75 million. The parties contemplate that Twin City Bank will be merged into Worthen Bank & Trust Co., N.A., and the T.E. Renaud will serve as CEO of the merged bank. Curt Bradbury will continue as chairman president and CEO of Worthen Banking Corp.

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Patrick O'Sullivan, 501/378-1203

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SANTA MONICA, CALIF. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Oppenheimer Industries Inc. (ASE:OPP) (the company) announced Wednesday that the company had completed

consummation of the previously announced transactions between the company and U.S. Real Estate Advisors Inc. and Wespac Investors Trust III.

In the transactions, USREA and Wespac received approximately 3.5 million shares of the company's common stock, giving them control of approximately 51 percent of the outstanding common stock. USREA also received warrants which, if exercised, would give USREA an additional 20 percent of the outstanding common stock.

Oppenheimer Industries is an American Stock Exchange company with real estate holdings in Missouri, California and New Mexico.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - In response to stockholder inquiries, AT&E Corp. (ASE:ATW) stated Wednesday that it believes the decline in its stock price from a high of $25 1/8 in June to yesterday's close of $8 1/8 has resulted primarily from a combination of the general downturn in world financial markets and the selling pressure created by the publication of articles in the media which contained erroneous information and emphasized the significant short interest in AT&E's stock.

Despite the short interest, which is reported to be in excess of 2 million shares, AT&E continues to be pleased with the accomplishment of its fundamental business objectives, including its recent commencement of a market trial of the RECEPTOR Personal Communications System (PCS) in Portland, Ore.

The RECEPTOR PCS, utilizing AT&E's patented technology and designed to operate globally, is the world's first system to provide wireless personal communications services to business and consumer subscribers using a wristwatch receiver. The SEIKO RECEPTOR MessageWatch is being manufactured by Seiko Corp. of Japan.

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Neil P. Parent, 415/951-1500

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HIGH POINT, N.C. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Culp Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CULP) Wednesday reported a 76 percent gain in earnings for the first quarter of its 1991 fiscal year.

The results mark a continuation of the profit recovery which the company established during fiscal 1990.

For the three months ended July 29, 1990, Culp reported net income of $650,000, up from $370,000 in the year-earlier period. Earnings amounted to 15 cents per share in the most recent quarter compared with 8 cents per share a year ago. Net sales for the quarter totaled $41,718,000 vs. $39,210,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Robert G. Culp III, chief executive officer, said: ''Culp's improvement in sales and margins is particularly gratifying considering the weakness in demand which persists in the textile and home furnishings industries. Our ability to achieve increased sales during this period provides sound evidence of the gains we have realized in improving customer service and raising product quality. We have also benefited from a sharp increase in export shipments of our upholstery fabrics and mattress tickings.

''Our ongoing actions to contain operating expenses continue to aid the company's performance. Overhead costs in the first quarter, as a percentage of sales, were significantly below the year-earlier level. Interest expense was also down sharply due to the reduction in debt which was realized during fiscal 1990.''

Culp indicated that the first fiscal quarter was historically a seasonally low period for the company's sales. He remarked: ''Although there appears to be little basis for projecting much improvement in general industry conditions over the near term, we are optimistic about Culp's own prospects.

''Because we can manage a higher level of shipments without an appreciable build-up in overhead costs, any increase in sales during the next several quarters should have a positive impact on our profitability. We continue to believe that fiscal 1991 as a whole will represent another year of meaningful progress for Culp.''

Culp Inc. is a leading manufacturer and marketer of fabrics for the furniture, bedding, recreational vehicle and institutional furnishings markets.

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JASPER, AL (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - First Federal of Alabama, F.S.B. (NASDAQ/NMS:FFAL) Wednesday announced improved results for its year ended June 30, 1990.

Net income for year was $529,111, or 60 cents per share, compared with a loss of $3,918,665, or $4.36 per share, a year ago. Net income for the fourth quarter was $284,802, or 32 cents per share, compared with a loss of $3,650,334, or $4.04 per share, in the same period last year. Results for the year and fourth quarter ended June 30, 1989, reflect losses of $3,878,973 and $598,000, respectively, incurred from the sale of loans.

Commenting on the results, Al H. Simmons, president and chief executive officer, said: ''We are very pleased to report significantly improved results for First Federal. The increase in net income for the year is primarily the result of improved interest margins and lower operating expenses stemming from the cost-cutting actions taken by management to improve profitability.

Net interest income increased 7 percent to $4,135,650 from $3,869,225 last year.

''Loan originations for the year ended June 30,1990, were $80 million compared with $63 million a year ago. We continue to focus on originating high-quality residential mortgage loans in and around Jasper.

''At June 30, 1990, stockholders' equity was approximately $12.2 million, or 6.4 percent of total assets. First Federal had a book value of $13.85 per share. The Board and management of First Federal remain very optimistic about the Bank's future and believe we are well positioned to increase stockholder value,'' Simmons concluded.

With assets in excess of $191 million, First Federal's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FFAL.

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HINTON, VA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - WLR Foods Inc. (NASDAQ:WLRF) Wednesday reported strong results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were $131,532,000 compared with $126,866,000 reported in the same period of 1989. Net earnings were $6,306,000 or $0.60 per share compared with $7,939,000 or $0.76 per share in the fourth quarter of 1989, an unusually strong quarter for the Company. While the 1990 fourth quarter earnings did not match those of last year, they are noteworthy as they were achieved despite difficult industry conditions marked by a substantial decline in poultry commodity

prices, with turkey down 14.8% and chicken down 17.5%. The performance of feed costs was mixed -- corn, the major feed ingredient, rose 3.8%, while soybean meal declined 21.4%.

For the full fiscal year, net revenues increased 6.1% to $494,156,000 compared with $465,951,000 for fiscal 1989. Fiscal 1990 net earnings increased to $17,395,000 or $1.67 per share versus $17,228,000 or $1.66 reported for fiscal 1989. Average poultry prices were down for the year as a whole with turkey declining 12.0% and chicken down 12.6%. Corn and soybean meal costs for the year declined 5.4% and 21.4%, respectively.

All per share figures have been adjusted for a 3-for-2 stock split distributed May 9, 1990. All figures also reflect the acquisition of Cassco Ice & Cold Storage in April of 1990 which is accounted for as a pooling of interests.

The Company's financial condition at June 30, 1990 remained strong. Working capital was $46,039,000 and the current ratio was 2.2-to-1. Long-term debt-to-equity was 5.9%. Shareholders' equity was $108,258,000 or $10.29 per share.

WLR Foods, Inc. is engaged in fully integrated turkey and chicken production, processing, further processing and marketing. The Company is the eighth largest poultry processor/further processor in the United States.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. today announced it has begun shipping Agenda 2.0, a significantly enhanced version of its best selling personal information manager.

Agenda 2.0 combines major improvements in ease of use with robust business applications, making it a natural computing partner for managers and professionals.

With Agenda, users can arrange, prioritize, track and view their work simply by entering reminders, phone numbers, ideas, and dates and times of meetings. Agenda continually modifies, updates and cross-references everything automatically. The new Agenda 2.0 is much easier to learn. Lotus guarantees that new users can be productive in 30 minutes, or they

can return the product directly to Lotus within 30 days after purchase for a full refund.

''Agenda 2.0 is a direct response to managers' requests. We've made it significantly easier to learn and, at the same time, increased the product's power and functionality,'' said Michael Kraley, Agenda general manager. ''With four new starter applications -- Activities Planner, Account Manager, People Manager and Information Sifter -- business professionals can launch into immediate personal productivity.''

New features in Agenda 2.0 were selected based on feedback from current Agenda users. Among the 16 most requested new features are a pop-up calendar, wider views and column math to perform basic calculations including totals, averages, counts, minimum and maximum values and percent of totals. Printing improvements include support for more than 90 types of printers, including Postscript.

''Agenda 2.0's ease of use is its greatest selling point,'' said Bob Martin, manager of executive support systems for Eaton Corp. ''But even though acclimation time for a new user will be short, there's a wealth of functionality available to them as they continue to use the product. I feel very comfortable about supporting Agenda 2.0 broadly throughout our management structure here at Eaton.''

Managers rely heavily on words and ideas to perform their job functions. Additionally, their increased mobility demands computing tools that are flexible, customizable and portable. Agenda 2.0 is ideally suited to both the desktop and portable PC environments.

Managers using Agenda 2.0 in a networked environment will be able to share customer, account, project and other information. Agenda 2.0 includes the Lotus-standard file reservation system, which allows Agenda users to share files across the network. At a later date, standard Node and Server licensing options will be available.

Agenda runs on IBM Personal Computers, PS/2 and certified compatibles with a hard disk drive, and a minimum of 640K RAM. Agenda runs under DOS 2.1 or higher. An OS/2 version of Agenda will be available at a later date.

The product is available from Lotus Authorized Resellers at a suggested retail price of $395. Users of Agenda 1.0 or 1.01 can upgrade to Agenda 2.0 for $99 by calling 1-800-TRADEUP for upgrade instructions. Users who purchased Agenda 1.0 or 1.01 from May 21st through 30 days after shipment will be able to upgrade for a materials and handling charge of $30.

Lotus Development Corp. is the leading provider of applications software for personal computers and information services delivered on CD-ROM, and is a worldwide supplier of applications software for workstations,

minicomputers and mainframes.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Caesars New Jersey Inc. (ASE:CJN) Wednesday announced net income for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990, was $29,823,000, or $1.83 per share, compared with $35,968,000, or $2.21 per share, for fiscal 1989.

Revenue for the 1990 fiscal year totaled $323,707,000, compared with $343,417,000 in fiscal 1989.

Caesars New Jersey's net income for fiscal-1990 fourth quarter was $6,737,000, or 41 cents per share, compared with $9.68 million, or 60 cents per share, in the same quarter of fiscal 1989. Revenue during the most recent quarter totaled $83,731,000, compared with $92,285,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Caesars New Jersey is an 86.6 percent-owned subsidiary of Caesars World Inc.

Lower casino revenue resulting mainly from lower table game win percentages and activity, as well as increased payroll and marketing expenses, were the major factors in the earnings decline for fiscal 1990.

These negative influences more than offset the effects of lower rental costs at Caesars Atlantic City and lower provisions for bad debts. The earnings decline, when comparing the fiscal fourth quarters, was primarily attributable to lower table game activity and win percentages. The opening during April 1990 of a new, large casino/hotel in the New Jersey marketplace also has had an adverse effect on Caesars Atlantic City's casino revenue.

In July 1990, Caesars Atlantic City opened its new parking and

transportation center. The structure accommodates parking for 2,500 vehicles and is expected to enhance Caesars Atlantic City's marketing efforts in a city noted for its parking shortages. Disruptions caused by construction of this new parking center also had a negative impact on business during the past year.

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MONTEREY, CA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - CTB Macmillan/McGraw-Hill announces the acquisition of Columbia Computing Services Inc., Vancouver B.C., the world's leading supplier of school administrative software.

By integrating their complementary product lines, these two pioneers in educational technology will offer greater support for tens of thousands of microcomputer software customers.

CTB is the nation's largest publisher of standardized achievement tests such as the California Achievement Tests (CAT) and the Comprehensive Tests of Basic Skills (CTBS). The company is also the first to offer integrated instruction management software for building and scoring tests, tracking and reporting achievement, and assigning prescriptive lessons.

Columbia is the publisher of The School System and OSIRIS, the two most widely adopted school administration software packages, as well as The Columbia Library System, the leading library administration package. With offices in Canada and the United States, Columbia has over 10,000 licensed customer sites worldwide.

The following CTB and Columbia personnel changes will help consolidate operations and focus organizational efforts on individual products:

-- Peter Carabi, CTB's director of information systems, is also acting general manager for Columbia Computing Services.

-- Mark Stevens, director of marketing for Columbia Computing Services, now also oversees the operations of Columbia's corporate headquarters in Vancouver.

-- Lyle Groome, Columbia's vice president of development, is responsible for day-to-day operations in Columbia's Denver office.

-- Columbia's field sales staff has merged with CTB's sales group. Consequently Columbia's sales directors Dale Haubrich, Steve Schwab, and David Larson report to George Simon, CTB's vice president of sales.

-- Dale Prosser is now director of customer support and training for The School System and The Elementary School System, which will continue to be developed in Vancouver by their respective product management teams.

-- Adrienne Eaton-Smith is now director of customer service and training for OSIRIS, which will become the focus of product management in Columbia's Denver facility.

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CULVER CITY, CA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - MGM/UA Communications Co. (NYSE:MGM) Tuesday announced that it has received checks totalling $50 million from Pathe Communications Corp. (NYSE:PCC) in connection with its $1.3 billion merger agreement with Pathe.

Upon payment of the checks, Pathe will have paid $303 million cash and will have provided MGM/UA with $75 million in other security in connection with the parties' merger agreement. On July 20, 1990, over $250 million in cash was distributed to shareholders as partial payment of the purchase price.

Under the merger agreement, signed by both companies on June 28, 1990, holders of common and preferred stock will receive a total of $21.50 per share of which $4 per share was distributed on July 20, 1990.

Closing of the transaction and the payment of the remaining $17.50 per share is scheduled to occur on or before Oct. 23, 1990.

Pathe intends to merge a newly formed subsidiary with MGM/UA. MGM/UA will seek stockholder approval for the merger and will be mailing proxy materials to the stockholders upon clearance with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Holders of MGM/UA common stock of record on Aug. 24, 1990, will be eligible to vote at the special meeting of stockholders being held in connection with the merger transaction with Pathe. MGM/UA expects to announce the date of the special meeting shortly. Tracinda Corp., MGM/UA's controlling shareholder, has agreed to vote for the merger. Pathe is obligated to consummate a tender offer at $17.50 per share if the merger is not concluded for any reason.

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Rifkind, Pondel & Parsons, Los Angeles
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COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Goal Systems International Inc. (NASDAQ:GOAL) Wednesday announced that the release of its second quarter

earnings, previously scheduled for Aug. 22, has been delayed by one day pending resolution of some last-minute issues.

However, management expects both revenue and net income to increase at least 30 percent over the results for the same quarter a year ago. These prior year numbers have been restated to reflect poolings of interest from two acquisitions completed in the first quarter of this year.

Goal Systems designs, develops and markets software products grouped into two product lines. The Data Center Management Division consists of a broad range of systems software products for IBM and compatible mainframe computers which allow users to manage, automate, monitor and analyze the use, cost and performance of their data processing resources.

The Information Technology Division product line consists of performance support products including computer-based training and computer-based reference systems, along with associated courseware and professional services.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM Wednesday established a new industry benchmark for software support by enabling large systems customers to significantly automate the process of pinpointing and resolving problems in their application software.

IBM FASTService (TM) uses proprietary software and probes installed in application programs to notify customers of problems, the first time they are encountered, and known solutions. As a result, customers can quickly identify and correct problems without the time-consuming process of recreating conditions under which they occurred. Depending on a customer's systems environment, FASTService can streamline the time it takes to detect and correct application software problems by up to 40 percent.

''FASTService is the latest in a series of IBM services solutions for customers who want to spend more time on their core businesses and devote less of their valuable resources to relatively routine information processing tasks,'' said David E. McDowell, IBM vice president and president of the National Service Division. ''Our studies show that besides enhancing systems availability and shortening development cycles, FASTService can significantly shorten the time spent by programmers in problem determination.'' Available as a total package consisting of proprietary software, hardware, on-site training and assistance, FASTService provides customers with the ability to detect error conditions

in their applications, electronically notify appropriate customer personnel of the conditions and automatically log or update them in a problem management system.

If the incident is a recurrence of a previously reported problem, FASTService will also electronically notify the appropriate customer personnel that the problem is known and reference the solution.

The new offering, available in the first quarter of 1991, will initially support customers using either Multiple Virtual Storage Extended Architecture (MVS/XA) (TM) or Multiple Virtual Storage Enterprise Systems Architecture (MVS/ESA) (TM) that uses Common Business Language (COBOL), Programming Language One (PL/1) or Assembler Language. FASTService will be adapted to other systems environments in the future.

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SANDWICH, MA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - The Sandwich Co-operative Bank (NASDAQ:SWCB) today reported a net loss for its fiscal 1991 first quarter ended July 31, 1990 of $1,288,000 or $0.71 per share compared to net income of $707,000 or $0.39 per share for the comparable period in 1989.

Frederic D. Legate, President and Chief Executive Officer stated, ''The slowdown in the New England economy, and the decline in the local real estate market, continues to negatively impact our loan customers and in turn our loan portfolio. Consequently, we continue to make provisions for possible loan losses, adding $1.19 million during the quarter. The allowance for possible loan losses now stands at $1.65 million or 16.4 percent of total non-performing assets.''

At July 31, 1990, the Bank's non-accrual loans totaled $4.06 million or 1.71 percent of total assets. Other real estate owned (OREO) was $6.04 million resulting in total non-performing assets of $10.10 million or 4.25 percent of total assets.

At July 31, 1990, the Bank's net interest margin was 3.58 percent, total assets were $237.4 million, net loans were $167.0 million and stockholders' equity was $30.7 million or 12.95 percent of total assets.

The Sandwich Co-operative Bank, with eight offices in Southeastern Massachusetts, is a State Chartered bank and has its deposits insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and the Share Insurance Fund (SIF) of Massachusetts.

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JACKSON, MISS. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Deposit Guaranty Corp. (NASDAQ:DEPS) at its regular meeting Aug. 21, 1990, declared a quarterly cash dividend of 39 cents per share, payable Oct. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Sept. 14, 1990.

Deposit Guaranty Corp. is a multibank holding company that owns Deposit Guaranty National Bank, the largest bank in Mississippi, and Commercial National Bank of Shreveport, the fifth largest bank in Louisiana. As of June 30, 1990, Deposit Guaranty Corp. and its subsidiaries reported assets of over $4.7 billion.

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PLAINFIELD, IN (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Michigan's largest utility, Consumers Power Co. and Indiana's largest electric utility, PSI Energy, today announced plans to interconnect their electric utility systems with construction of a new 345-kilovolt transmission line between Battle Creek, Mich., and Akron, Ind.

The cost of PSI Energy's share of the project is about $50 million. Consumers Power's share is about $55 million. The transmission facilities are planned to be in operation by December 1992. The companies will file within the next several weeks for approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

''This is an important development for the energy security and competitiveness of electricity in the Midwest,'' said William T. McCormick Jr., Consumers Power Co. chairman and chief executive officer. ''The flow of electricity directly between our two systems will provide significant economic and reliability benefits to both companies' utility customers and others throughout the Midwest,'' noted McCormick.

''A transmission line is like an electrical highway,'' said James E. Rogers Jr., PSI chairman and chief executive officer. ''Just as highways facilitate transportation and trade in goods, this transmission line will facilitate the exchange of electricity throughout our two states and

beyond.'' Rogers said the line will help customers of both PSI Energy and Consumers Power, as well as neighboring utilities.

The new interconnection will allow the two utilities to supply one another from electricity available on either company's system at any time. It provides the opportunity for available power from PSI Energy's system to flow north to Michigan. It also provides an additional path for electricity from the Midland Cogeneration Venture (MCV) and other Michigan power suppliers to utilities to the south when the need for power exists, McCormick said.

''The need for power is growing throughout the nine-state East Central Area Reliability (ECAR) region of the United States because only two major new utility plants are at present under construction, enough to serve about one year's growth,'' McCormick said. ''Even with new capacity from the MCV, Consumers Power's electric reserve margin will continue to shrink as the Michigan economy grows and demand for power increases,'' said McCormick.

The two electric systems will interconnect at the Indiana-Michigan state line at St. Joseph County's Fawn River Township in Michigan. A substation will be constructed near Batavia, Mich., 14 miles north of the state line. The new transmission line will run for 60 miles in Michigan and about 55 miles in Indiana.

PSI Energy is Indiana's largest electric company, serving nearly 590,000 customers in 69 of the state's 92 counties.

Consumers Power Co. the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corp., is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's nine million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Procept Inc. announced today the completion of a new round of venture financing totalling $9.25 million to be used to further the research and development of Procept's receptor-based therapeutics to treat diseases of the immune system.

Investors in this round of financing include Montgomery Medical Ventures,

HealthCare Investment Corp., Everest Trust, Bristol-Myers Squibb, and Venture Founders.

Stanley C. Erck, president and chief executive officer of Procept, stated ''Our new financing is further evidence of the confidence investors have placed in Procept's ability to develop a new class of drugs based on its receptor technology.''

The technology, in which Procept has a proprietary position through an exclusive worldwide license agreement with the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, involves several receptors found on immune system cells. These receptor molecules provide the unifying theme to pull together many of the activities of the immune system.

By interacting with -- or blocking -- these receptors, it is possible to dramatically alter the immune response thereby inhibiting the progress of AIDS, rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis, allergy and other immune-related diseases.

Procept Inc., headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., is developing therapeutic drugs to manage diseases of the immune system. The company has targeted its product development efforts toward four markets: AIDS, autoimmune disease, organ transplant rejection and allergy.

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FARMINGDALE, NY (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Michael Gorin, chief executive officer of VTX Electronics Corp. (AMEX:VTX) Wednesday announced sales and earnings for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30.

Net sales and other revenue for the fourth quarter was $12,671,000 compared to $10,028,000 last year (an increase of 26%), and net income was $219,000 compared to $38,000 in last year's fourth quarter. Earnings per share were 9 cents in the current quarter compared to 2 cents last year.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, net sales and other revenue were $47,060,000 compared with $40,421,000 last year and net income was $562,000 vs. $320,000 (an increase of over 75%). Earnings per share were 23 cents in fiscal 1990 compared with 13 cents in fiscal 1989.

VTX ELECTRONICS CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Financial highlights

Quarter Ended June 30,	Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales and other income	$12,671,000	$10,028,000	$47,060,000	$40,421,000
Income before taxes	$ 364,000	$ 71,000	$ 924,000	$ 535,000
Provision for income taxes	145,000	33,000	362,000	215,000
Net income	$ 219,000	$ 38,000	$ 562,000	$ 320,000
Net income per common share	$ .09	$ .02	$ .23	$ .13
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,438,000	2,422,000	2,430,000	2,432,000

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Michael Gorin, 516/293-9880

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CANTON, MASS. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - August 22--Hills Department Stores Inc. (NYSE:HDS) today reported results for the second quarter ended August 4, 1990.

Sales for the quarter increased 6.3 percent to $458 million from $431 million for the corresponding period a year ago. Same store sales increased 4.6 percent during this period. Sales for the first six months of 1990 increased 9.9 percent to $910.8 million from $828.9 million for the corresponding twenty-six-week period in 1989. Same store sales increased 6.6 percent during the first half of 1990.

Hills reported sales in fiscal 1989 based on a 53-week year. Consequently, the ending dates for 1990 fiscal months are one calendar week later than the corresponding 1989 fiscal month ending dates. Had the company reported results based on a 52-week year, the comparable quarter calendar period would have reflected an increase of 0.3 percent for total sales and a decrease of 1.5 percent on a same store basis. Results for the comparable twenty-six-week calendar period would have reflected increases of 4.5 percent and 1.7 percent respectively.

Hills Department Stores Inc. is a discount store chain, operating in 14 states with 212 locations compared with 201 stores a year ago.

Hills Department Stores
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Second Quarter Ended		Six Months Ended	
	8/4/90	7/29/89	8/4/90	7/29/89
Net sales	$ 457,976	$ 430,993	$ 910,776	$ 828,933

Operating profit (loss)	1,015	7,908	(4,828)	2,358
Net loss	$ (15,174)	$ (10,213)	$ (32,126)	$ (26,603)
Primary and fully diluted loss per share	$ (.79)	$ (.53)	$ (1.68)	$ (1.39)
Average common and common equivalent shares outstanding:				
Primary	19,138,894	19,164,639	19,144,628	19,160,235
Fully diluted	21,996,037	22,021,781	22,001,771	22,017,577

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Mallory Factor Inc., New York
Donna Stein or Amy Ludwig, 212/242-0000

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Wednesday said it will offer another event in its ''Talk About a Summer Time'' promotion with special long-distance prices and a sweepstakes on Friday, Aug. 24.

The company designated it ''Customer Appreciation Day'' and said its holiday prices will be in effect for out-of- state calls on that Friday. As on other holidays, AT&T's evening prices are extended to include normal daytime calling hours (8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) and are an average 32 percent less than AT&T's daytime prices.

AT&T also said customers who place an AT&T long-distance call between midnight Thursday and midnight Friday will be entered automatically in a sweepstakes and could win a family vacation or one of more than 1,000 other prizes.

The grand prize in AT&T's sweepstakes is a family vacation for four to anywhere in the United States, including Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Air transportation, hotel accommodations and car rental are included. Other prizes include coolers, tote bags and beach towels.

To be entered automatically in the sweepstakes, customers must place an AT&T long-distance call billed to their home telephone. Only one entry per household will be allowed. Prizes will be awarded to those persons in whose names the telephone service is provided.

Customers who do not make an AT&T long-distance call on Friday can obtain official rules with alternative form of entry by calling toll-free 1-800-831-2000. The deadline for alternate entries is Sept. 7, 1990.

A drawing for prizes will be held on or after Oct. 31, 1990. AT&T

employees and family members are not eligible for prizes.

Friday's special prices on long-distance do not apply to in-state or international calls. Automatic entry into the sweepstakes, however, includes any AT&T calls billed to customers' home telephones. For more information about Friday's promotion, customers can call toll-free 1-800-831-2000.

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PLEASANTON, CA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Mission-Valley Bancorp (NASDAQ: MVBC), a bank holding company with assets of $388 million, and Northern California Community Bancorporation Inc. (NASDAQ: NCCB), a bank holding company with assets of $386 million, jointly announced that they have executed a letter of intent to merge. The resulting bank holding company would be named California Bancshares Inc.

With combined assets of approximately $775 million, it would be the third largest independent banking company in Northern California. Both bank holding companies rank near the top of their peers in earnings performance with Mission-Valley and Northern California earning $4.2 million and $4.5 million, respectively, for 1989. For the first six months of 1990, Mission-Valley had net income of $2.3 million and Northern California earned $2.2 million.

The proposed merger would bring together nine community banks, with 22 branches, operating in most communities of Alameda and Contra Costa counties and a portion of San Joaquin and Santa Clara counties. The merger would allow the banks to maintain their focus on personal service while taking advantage of the centralized banking capabilities and other economies of scale available to larger banking operations.

Northern California Community Bancorporation Inc. is the holding company for three independent banks: Alameda First National Bank with branches in Alameda; Community First National Bank with branches in Pleasanton, Livermore and Dublin; and Westside Bank with branches in Tracy, Manteca, Patterson and Brentwood.

Mission-Valley Bancorp is the holding company for six independent banks: Commercial Bank of Fremont, with a main office in Fremont and an

application pending for a branch in Union City; The Bank of Pleasanton; The Bank of San Ramon Valley, with a main office in San Ramon and a branch in Danville,; Lamorinda National Bank, with a main office in Lafayette and a branch in Walnut Creek; The Bank of Milpitas N.A.; and Concord Commercial Bank.

Financially, the proposed merger will combine the companies on an equal basis with the exchange ratio equalizing the book value per share of Mission-Valley and Northern California shortly before the merger. At the current book values of the two companies, each share of Mission-Valley common stock would receive one new share of California Bancshares stock. Northern California shareholders would receive approximately 1.23 new shares for each share of existing common stock.

Donald J. Gehb, president and chief executive officer of Northern California, has been designated to serve as chairman of the board of directors and Joseph P. Colmery, president and CEO of Mission-Valley Bancorp, has been designated to serve as president and CEO of California Bancshares.

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TORONTO, Ontario (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Corona Corp. announced Wednesday that it has acquired a further 750,000 common shares of Dundee Capital Inc. and 187,500 share purchase warrants.

This increases Corona's holding to 2,250,000 common shares and 562,500 share purchase warrants, making it the largest shareholder of Dundee.

Jodamada Corp., a family holding company controlled by Ned Goodman, chairman and chief executive officer of Dundee and chairman of Corona, owns 2,065,296 common shares and 516,324 share purchase warrants of Dundee. Accordingly, Corona and Jodamada beneficially own approximately 38 percent of the common shares of Dundee on an undiluted basis.

Peter Steen, president and chief executive officer of Corona, stated that, "This acquisition is a further logical step in our plan to increase Corona's financial capabilities as we develop the company into a world-class natural resource finance house."

Corona has purchased the common shares of Dundee for investment purposes and has no intention to increase further its beneficial ownership of Dundee at this time. However, Corona reserves the right to change this

intention at any time as circumstances permit.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Synercom Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ:SYNR) today reported a net loss of $234,000 or $.04 per share on revenues of $2,942,000 for the company's third quarter ended July 31, 1990.

In the third quarter of the prior year, the company reported net income of $703,000 or $.11 per share on revenues of $4,525,000. Results for the nine months ended July 31, 1990 reflect a net loss of $1,375,000 or $.22 per share on revenues of $8,721,000. The comparable period in fiscal 1989 reflected net income of $1,860,000 or $.29 per share on revenues of $13,359,000.

Included in net income for the quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1989 is an extraordinary credit from tax loss carryforwards which had the effect of increasing net income by $239,000 and $620,000, respectively.

Total revenues for the quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1990 decreased 35.0 percent and 34.7 percent respectively, compared to the quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1989. Synercom directs its marketing efforts toward major electric, gas and water utilities, governmental entities and telecommunications companies, such as Pacific Bell, and through a contract with Digital Equipment, U.K., British Gas.

The adverse effect upon the company's revenues and profitability in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 1990 compared to the same periods of the prior year is primarily due to a reduction in aggregate revenues resulting from unpredictable delays in the build-out of the systems for Digital Equipment, U.K., and Pacific Bell.

Revenues under agreements entered into with each of Digital Equipment, U.K., and Pacific Bell were approximately $1,756,000 and $485,000, respectively, for the nine months ended July 31, 1990 compared to $3,887,000 and $2,231,000, respectively, for the same period in fiscal 1989.

Under these agreements there are no obligations to order any minimal level of software and the amount and timing of orders are subject to customer discretion. The company does not expect to license substantial amounts of additional software products to Pacific Bell until Pacific Bell has successfully completed the conversion of outside plant records to a digital data base in the first implementation district, which is not

expected to occur in fiscal 1990.

Synercom provides integrated spatial information management solutions for major commercial and governmental organizations worldwide. The company's software products, support services and systems integration services increase the efficiency and accuracy with which customers record, track, analyze and manage geographically dispersed assets.

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PALATINE, IL (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Square D Co. (NYSE:SQD) Wednesday declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 55 cents per share, payable Oct. 1 to stockholders of record Sept. 14.

The dividend will be paid to approximately 12,000 stockholders, and will be the 219th consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid by the company.

Square D is a worldwide leader in industrial control and electrical distribution products, systems, and services, and had 1989 sales from continuing operations of $1.60 billion.

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NILES, IL (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Increased sales and net income, using a pro forma comparison, highlighted the second quarter and half for Midwesco Filter Resources.

Net sales for the quarter ended July 31, were $5,512,000, up 18 percent from the year earlier $4,691,000.

Using pro forma comparisons, income from operations was $576,000, up slightly from $572,000. Net income was $386,000, or 14 cents a share, compared to $355,000, or 13 cents a share.

Second quarter comparisons using historic results are identical to pro forma for net sales through income from operations. Net income for this year's quarter, at $386,000, or 14 cents a share, compares to $456,000, or

23 cents a share on a historic basis. There were 2,810,000 shares outstanding in this year's quarter and half. Historic per share figures are calculated with the 1,950,000 shares outstanding when Midwesco Filter was part of a private company.

For the half, net sales rose to $11,253,000, up 11 percent from $10,174,000. Income from operations was $1,125,000, down slightly from $1,191,000 in the year earlier half.

Net income was $747,000, or 27 cents a share. This compares, on a pro forma basis, to $738,000, or 26 cents a share. This year's six month net income of $747,000, or 27 cents a share, compares to net income on a historic basis of $958,000, or 49 cents a share, with only 1,950,000 shares outstanding.

''Revenues increased in line with expectations,'' said David Unger, chairman. ''Gross profit was 27 percent in the July quarter, within our normal range and up from the first quarter's 23 percent.

''We have been developing advertising and support materials to increase the sales of bag-related parts. This investment, along with more research and development and the costs of being a public company, are primary reasons for higher operating expense,'' Mr. Unger said. ''Bag related sales are up 65 percent over last year. Although still a small part of total sales, this gain indicates our investment is worthwhile.

''The second half looks positive. Our purchase of certain assets of United Fabricants, a Massachusetts-based manufacturer of filter bags, is on track and should boost sales when completed. We expect the acquisition to be completed in early September. ''Equally important, new order bookings up about 20 percent over last year, and we enter the second half with the expectation of meeting growth targets for the 1991 fiscal year,'' he concluded.

With locations in Niles, Illinois and Winchester, Virginia, MFRI is a vertically integrated manufacturer and marketer of filter bags, including its proprietary Seamless TubeTM filter bag, as well as related parts, accessories and services. The company's products and services are used primarily by operators of utility and industrial coal-fired boilers, incinerators and cogeneration plants and by producers of metals, cement, chemical and other industrial products.

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DALLAS (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Effective Oct. 1, Maynard Oil Co. (NASDAQ:MOIL) has agreed to purchase the interest of Sun Operating L.P. in five leases covering 860 surface acres in the northeast portion of the Levelland Field in Hockley County, Texas.

It is estimated that this $13.7 million producing property acquisition will add 525 net barrels to Maynard's daily production.

Sun Operating L.P. is managed by Oryx Energy Co. of Dallas, which as managing general partner has a 98 percent ownership of the limited partnership.

Maynard Oil Co. is engaged in the exploration, development and production of oil and natural gas in the United States.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - United Airlines (NYSE:UAL) announced Wednesday it will strengthen its international service at Washington's Dulles International Airport by adding new flights to Hamilton, Bermuda, entering the Caribbean market with new service to San Juan, Puerto Rico, and reinstating seasonal flights to Cancun, Mexico.

''We are pleased to be offering service to these popular new leisure destinations,'' said Stephen M. Wolf, chairman and president. ''This new service fulfills part of the significant potential we see for Washington, D.C.'s Dulles International Airport as a major East Coast gateway for United.''

Service to Bermuda, marking United's entry into that market, will debut April 10, 1991. The flights will be operated in Boeing 737-300 equipment with eight seats in first class and 120 in coach. The trip will depart from Washington's Dulles at 11:11 a.m. and arrive in Hamilton at 2:31 p.m. The return trip will leave Hamilton at 3:41 p.m. and arrive at Washington's Dulles at 5:21 p.m.

Service to San Juan, marking United's entry into the Caribbean market, is

scheduled to begin Feb. 15, 1991. The southbound flight in Boeing 727-200 equipment with 12 seats in first class and 135 in coach will leave Washington's Dulles at 9:10 a.m. and arrive in San Juan at 1:50 p.m. The return trip will leave San Juan at 2:40 p.m. and arrive at Washington's Dulles at 5:35 p.m.

United will reinstate seasonal service between Washington's Dulles and Cancun Oct. 1, with daily round-trip flights in Boeing 727-200 aircraft.

The flight will leave Washington's Dulles at 9 a.m. and arrive in Cancun at 10:30 a.m. The return flight will leave Cancun at 11:20 a.m. and arrive at Washington's Dulles at 4:34 p.m.

The three flights are timed to permit convenient connections for customers from the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions through Washington's Dulles, a major domestic hub airport for United. The airline presently operates 106 daily departures there to 35 nonstop destinations. United Express, United's partner carrier, offers an additional 87 flights at Washington Dulles.

United's international service at Washington's Dulles includes daily nonstop flights to Frankfurt, Germany and Mexico City. The airline has applications pending with the U.S. Department of Transportation for new international service between Washington Dulles and Berlin, Madrid, Manchester, Milan/Rome, Montreal, Moscow and Paris.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Laser Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: PXLS) Wednesday announced that the company has filed a 510(k) application with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in connection with the company's Ophthalmic Surgical Workstation.

The announcement was made by H. Alfred Sklar, research and development director of the San Francisco-based medical systems research and development company.

The company currently has two other applications pending with the FDA: a 510(k) for use of the workstation in posterior capsulotomy and an IDE (Investigational Device Exemption) application for the use of the workstation in corneal refractive surgery.

The most recent 510(k) application is for use of the workstation in photocoagulation, including the following procedures:

- Photocoagulation
- Retinal Photocoagulation
- Panretinal Photocoagulation
- Trabeculoplesty
- Iridotomy
- Focal Photocoagulation
- Diabetic Macular Edema
- Fileration Glaucoma
- Endaphotocoagulation
- Eyelectomy
- Transcleral Cyclophotocoagulation
- Sclerostomy

According to Sklar, these procedures are presently carried out in ophthalmology with the use of the Argon laser. The company's first 510(k) application, for posterior capsulotomy, was based on current use of the YAG laser.

Phoenix Laser Systems' Ophthalmic Surgical Workstation is a self-contained proprietary workstation that combines on-line diagnostic measurement, advanced laser beam positioning, high speed tissue tracking, and therapeutic devices for the precise control of laser surgery.

The company's technology permits surgery at cellular levels without creating significant thermal damage to surrounding cells. The technology is currently undergoing clinical testing at the Barraquer Institute in Bogota, Colombia.

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PARAMUS, NJ (AUG. 22) BUISNESS WIRE - Drivefone Inc. (NASDAQ:DFON) announced that the company has signed a new investment banking agreement with Rosenkrantz Lyon & Ross Inc., a member of the New York Stock Exchange.

Founded in 1947, Rosenkrantz Lyon & Ross provides full-service investment banking and brokerage services including merger and acquisition activities domestic and international business opportunities, joint ventures, leveraged buyout assistance, equipment leasing, financing, consulting, money management and financial planning services.

In addition to becoming Drivefone's investment banker, Rosenkrantz Lyon & Ross will make a market in Drivefone Inc. stock on the NASDAQ market and

will assist the company in obtaining sources of financing.

Michael A. Pfeffer, president and chief executive officer of Drivefone Inc. said, ''We are pleased to become associated with Rosenkrantz Lyon & Ross, one of the leading NYSE member firms catering to the needs of emerging growth companies.

''We expect this relationship will provide additional strength and stability to Drivefone and its shareholders as we move toward further growth in the cellular and personal communications industries.''

A pioneer in cellular phones, Drivefone Inc. has been ranked the nation's ninth largest cellular agent by Radio Communications Report. The company is a national distributor of cellular telephones, accessories and pagers.

Additionally, Drivefone Inc. is a national activator of cellular numbers, and manufactures and distributes the LuxCel line of transportable phones, antennas and accessories.

Headquartered in Paramus, N.J., Drivefone Inc. has branch offices in Norwalk, Conn. and Waltham, Mass.

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MADISON, GA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Wellington Leisure Products Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:WLPI) Wednesday announced results for its year ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales were $89,608,000 compared with net sales of $79,829,000 a year ago. Net income was $4,295,000, or 95 cents per share, compared with net income of $4,845,000, or $1.17 per share, last year.

For the fourth quarter, net sales were $29,244,000 compared with $25,904,000 a year ago. Net income was $983,000, or 22 cents per share, compared with $1,905,000, or 42 cents per share, in the prior-year period.

Commenting on the results, William R. O'Dell, chairman of the board and President, said: ''Lower than expected sales in the water recreational area compared to a year ago and higher than expected costs in integrating our acquisitions made this year were the primary reasons for the decrease in earnings for the year.

''Also, due to the soft recreational boating market, we aggressively cleared related inventory in the fourth quarter. This reduced our margins

in the fourth quarter and brought inventory levels in line with our future expectations. Based on our current plans for the coming year, we are optimistic of achieving improved result for fiscal 1991.''

Earnings per share for the year reflect the additional shares outstanding as a result of the public offering of 819,945 shares in December 1988.

The board of directors has approved a stock repurchase program to acquire up to $1 million of the company's common stock to be used as treasury stock. The timing of the repurchases and the exact number of shares to be purchased will be dependent upon market conditions.

The board of directors also declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per share payable Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Sept. 21, 1990.

Wellington Leisure Products Inc. is a leading U.S. manufacturer of leisure activity products, water recreational products and cordage. The company's products include Maxwell handicrafts; Plantation Works hammocks, lawn, garden and patio accessories; Tink's Safariland Hunting Scents, York Sports and Ol' Timer's hunting and fishing equipment; Taperflex, Cut 'N Jump, Ski-Master and America's Cup water ski, floatation jackets and related accessories; boating and swimming pool accessories; Wellington Puritan rope and twine for retail consumers; and Rhino Ropes cordage products for industrial and commercial users.

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BOCA RATON, FL. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors Wednesday agreed in prinicple, subject to certain terms and conditions, to a tender for the common shares of Unifast Industries Inc., on the basis of two shares of Myo-Tech Corp. for each issued and outstanding common shares of Unifast Industries Inc.

Myo-Tech as an addition to the tender of common shares of Unifast will, under a defined formula, tender for the outstanding options and warrants of the latter company. No record date for Unifast stockholders has been set.

Unifast Industries Inc. is a publicly owned company (NASDAQ:UFST), located in Hauppauge, N.Y. It is the parent of Protective Apparel Corp. of America (PACA) and Economy Fastners Inc.

Unifast is engaged in the business of manufacturing and distributing

construction fasteners. Economy is engaged in the sale of hardware items to major retailers. PACA is engaged in the manufacture and sale of ballistic resistant vests and like items to municipalities, law enforcement agencies and the military.

The tender is expected to become effective within sixty days.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - An Amoco Oil Co. marketing executive today told Wisconsin state legislators that his company ''will continue to act responsibly while pricing our products prudently in a very competitive marketplace.''

While crude oil costs have risen 28 cents per gallon since July 1, Amoco's wholesale gasoline prices to Wisconsin dealers and jobbers have risen about 20 cents per gallon, said Terrance R. Weaver, Amoco's vice president marketing operations-west zone, in a statement before two committees of the Wisconsin state legislature -- state affairs, and environmental resources and utilities. Amoco is the leading gasoline marketer in the state.

Weaver said that crude oil costs increased 11 cents per gallon in the five weeks prior to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait as OPEC agreed to reduce crude oil production to draw down world inventories of oil. However, during the same time, Amoco's wholesale prices in Wisconsin were essentially flat.

After the invasion, crude oil costs increased an additional 17 cents per gallon, for a total of 28 cents per gallon since July 1, while Amoco's wholesale price to dealers and jobbers in Wisconsin increased an average of about 20 cents per gallon since July 1, he said.

''The turmoil in the Middle East is unquestionably the fundamental reason that crude oil prices have risen since the first of August,'' Weaver said. ''Refiners and gasoline marketers have reacted to possible restrictions on crude supply resulting from this conflict.''

Weaver said the Iraqi invasion seriously exacerbated concern over reduced OPEC production, ''And justifiably so -- since with the invasion, the world lost over 4 million barrels a day of crude oil from the world market -- or 20 percent of OPEC's supply.

''Supply concerns translated into increased crude oil prices overnight,'' he said, pointing out that the U.S. imports 50 percent of the oil it

refines, and that ''Prices for domestically produced crude oil have been affected the very same way that prices for foreign crude oil have been. Crude oil is priced on a world market.''

Weaver said that in a rising world crude market, domestic refiners turn to secure domestic supplies and begin bidding for them. A barrel of oil has a market value whether it is produced in the Persian Gulf, the North Sea, Alaska or West Texas. To get oil from the world market, we must pay the world price.

Crude oil increases were felt so quickly in the U.S., Weaver said, because contrary to popular belief, about 80 percent of imported oil is priced at the time of its delivery in the United States -- and not at the time the tanker leaves the port.

''The oil that is being delivered today is priced at the price that we read about in this morning's newspapers,'' Weaver said.

''It also means that there is not a large supply of cheap oil on hand that can be refined to avoid importing more expensive crude oil.''

Events in the Middle East caused customers worldwide to bid up prices to assure themselves of supply, he said. ''The relationship between unstable crude costs and product prices is not a mystery: the more rapid and dramatic the increase in crude costs, the more rapid and dramatic the increase in product prices.''

He said the reason marketers in such situations sell gasoline for, say, 10 cents a gallon more than the day before is that they may have had to pay 10 or 15 cents a gallon more to replace what they sold.

Weaver acknowledged the dilemma is ''one of the least desirable scenarios we can face. It leads to volatile price swings. It causes unusual demand patterns which stress our transportation capacity and threaten run-outs. It angers our customer base.''

But for all its problems, ''the free market mechanism is the most efficient and best protector of the consumer that we have,'' he said. A seller such as Amoco has to move its prices in the same direction as the overall market to avoid runouts at its terminals and service stations and resulting supply disruptions.

''The free market system which admittedly allows for the type of rapid price increases we have just experienced is also the best defense against a far worse market condition, supply disruptions.''

Weaver said that Amoco has been marketing its products in Wisconsin for about 80 years, and has acted responsibly in pricing its products. He

noted that the company froze its prices from Aug. 9 to Aug. 15 in response to President Bush's call for restraint.

Amoco supplies about 13 percent of the total Wisconsin gasoline demand through 11 terminals, seven located in the state, and about 450 service stations, of which 150 are dealer-operated and the rest supplied by branded wholesale jobbers.

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SAN MATEO, CA. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Multi-Income Trust (NYSE:FMI), a $ 64-million closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers Inc., Wednesday announced a monthly dividend of 8.95 cents ($.0895) per share, payable on Sept. 14, to shareholders of record Aug. 31.

Franklin Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $43-billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.7 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, CA, 94404.

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CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS, OH (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - American Steel & Wire Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:RODS) today announced operating results for the fourth fiscal quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported a net loss of $391,000, or 5 cents per share, on net sales of $188,879,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, compared with net income of $6,494,000, or 86 cents per share, on net sales of $209,140,000 for fiscal 1989.

For the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, the company incurred a net loss of $78,000, or 1 cent per share, on net sales of $57,819,000 compared with net income of $1,992,000, or 24 cents per share, on net sales of $57,704,000 for the comparable period last year.

The $78,000 net loss in the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter was after a pre-tax charge of $1,597,000 for unusual and extraordinary items consisting of

expenses related to the financial restructuring of the company completed during the fourth fiscal quarter.

The company's operating results for the full fiscal 1990 year were adversely affected by several factors:

(1) unusual and extraordinary items during the second and fourth fiscal quarters aggregating $2,478,000 on a pre-tax basis consisting of expenses related to the previously mentioned financial restructuring,

(2) very cautious buying patterns by many of the company's automotive and construction-related customers during the first fiscal half and

(3) start-up inefficiencies associated with the Cuyahoga Works rod mill modernization project which was completed during the first fiscal quarter.

Commenting on fiscal 1990 operating results, Thomas N. Tyrrell, president and chief executive officer, stated that, ''We completed the year with good momentum achieving record quarterly sales during the fourth quarter. Our market share improved substantially during the second half due to growing customer acceptance of the improved quality capability of our modernized Cuyahoga Works rod mill. Our mill modernization project completed over the past two fiscal years and our recently completed financial restructuring are now behind us. With external prospects for a slow-growth economy during our fiscal 1991 year, we are working internally to improve our profitability by:

(1) using our enhanced quality capability to upgrade our product mix with existing customers and to continue to attract high-margin business with new customers,

(2) achieving productivity gains at our Cuyahoga Works rod mill as we continue ''up the learning curve'' with our outstanding young workforce and our sophisticated new equipment and

(3) closely controlling costs and aggressively managing our assets.

''We are committed to these efforts. Although increased interest expense will most likely keep our first quarter earnings below last year's level, we expect to improve profitability for our fiscal 1991 year in a relatively soft economic environment.''

American Steel & Wire Corp. specializes in manufacturing high-quality steel rod and wire from semi-finished steel billets at its two facilities in Cleveland and one facility in Joliet, Ill. The company's customers are in the automotive, fastener, welding, appliance and aerospace industries.

American Steel & Wire Corp.

Statements of Income
(in thousands, except for per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Years Ended June 30	
	(Unaudited)			
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 57,819	$ 57,704	$ 188,879	$ 209,140
Cost of goods sold	51,572	50,727	170,152	182,549
Gross profit	6,247	6,977	18,727	26,591
Selling, general and administrative expense	3,073	2,969	11,833	11,725
Operating profit	3,174	4,008	6,894	14,866
Interest expense, net	1,425	1,179	5,430	5,076
Other income	101	334	738	542
Income before income taxes and unusual and extraordinary items	1,850	3,163	2,202	10,332
Unusual items	(569)	0	(883)	0
Income before income taxes and extraordinary items	1,281	3,163	1,319	10,332
Income tax provision	691	1,171	657	3,838
Income before extraordinary items	590	1,992	662	6,494
Extraordinary items - debt retirement (net of applicable income tax benefits of $360 and $542, respectively)	(668)	0	(1,053)	0
Net income (loss)	$ (78)	$ 1,992	$ (391)	$ 6,494
Earnings per share:				
Income before extraordinary items	7 cents	24 cents	8 cents	86 cents
Extraordinary items	(8 cents)	---	(13 cents)	---
Net income (loss)	(1 cent)	24 cents	(5 cents)	86 cents
Average shares of common stock outstanding	8,371	8,371	8,371	7,506

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SAN MATEO, CA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Principal Maturity Trust (NYSE:FPT), a $224-million, closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers Inc., Wednesday announced a monthly dividend of 7.25 cents ($.0725) per share payable on Sept. 14, to shareholders of record

Aug. 31.

This represents a decrease from the 8.75 cents ($.0875) per share dividend paid Aug. 15. Franklin Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $43-billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.7 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, CA, 94404.

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SAN MATEO, CALIF. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Universal Trust (NYSE:FT), a $291-million, closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers Inc., Wednesday announced a monthly dividend of 9.3 cents ($.093) per share payable on Sept. 28 to shareholders of record Sept. 14.

Franklin Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $43-billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.7 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, CA, 94404.

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AUSTIN (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Dell Computer Corp. (NASDAQ: DELL) Wednesday announced that E. Lee Walker has resigned from the board of directors of the company for personal reasons.

Walker has held the position of vice chairman of the board since March 1990, when he stepped down as the company's president and chief operating officer because of serious back problems resulting from complications related to surgery.

''I have accepted Lee's decision with deep regret,'' said Michael S. Dell, chairman and chief executive officer. ''He has made many significant contributions to the company during his four years with us, and I know that many people at Dell join me in wishing him well.''

Dell said that a nominating committee has begun a nationwide search for a successor on the board to Walker. In addition to Dell, members of the

board currently include Paul O. Hirschbiel Jr., Bobby R. Inman and Dr. George Kozmetsky.

Dell Computer Corp. designs, develops, manufactures, markets, services and supports a complete line of personal computers compatible with industry standards. The company is recognized in independent surveys as having the highest customer satisfaction level in the industry for its line of personal computers.

Dell pioneered the direct marketing of personal computers in 1984. Information on the company and its products can be obtained through its toll-free number: 800/426-5150.

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BURLINGTON, MASS. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Xylogics, Inc. (NASDAQ/XLGX) today announced revenues for its third quarter ended July 28, 1990, were $8,317,000, compared to $9,713,000 in the same quarter of 1989.

Net income for the third quarter was $208,000 or $.08 per share, compared to $636,000 or $.23 per share in 1989.

Bruce J. Bergman, Xylogics president and chief executive officer, noted that revenues for the quarter included no product shipments to Sun Microsystems, while in the same quarter one year ago shipments to Sun accounted for over 40% of total revenues. The rapid decline in shipments of data storage controllers to Sun, which was expected and reported previously, caused company revenues in the most recent quarter to decline by about 14% from the third quarter of 1989. Bergman added, however, that shipments to all other customers increased by more than 50% on the strength of increased shipments of communications products which includes the Annex II terminal server and communications controllers and growing sales of the new SV series disk controllers. Bergman attributed the earnings decrease to the combined effects of lower revenues and reduced gross margins caused by overhead absorption and product mix changes.

Headquartered in Burlington, Mass., Xylogics, Inc. is a leading supplier of data storage controllers, communications controllers and terminal servers. Xylogics' products are sold to OEMs, systems integrators, resellers, and distributors worldwide for computer systems based on leading industry standard architectures.

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PLAINVIEW, NY (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - ARX Inc. (NYSE Symbol: ARX) Wednesday announced sales and earnings for the fourth quarter and year ended June 30.

Net sales for the quarter ended June 30 were $41,861,000 compared with $30,496,000 for the same period of fiscal 1989. net income for the current quarter was $1,268,000 compared with $375,000 in the fourth quarter of last year. Earnings per share were 16 cents in the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter compared with 5 cents last year.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, net sales were $122,562,000 compared with $99,020,000 for the prior year. Net income was $2,505,000, or 32 cents per share, vs. a net loss of $5,098,000, or 61 cents per share, last year.

Michael Gorin, president, said, ''We are gratified by our performance in the fourth quarter. Results were bolstered by strong sales and earnings in our commercial and industrial segments, better than expected performance in our military business and the overall effectiveness of our cost-reduction program started last year.''

ARX Inc. is engaged in the design and manufacture of a wide variety of electronic and magnetic products and mechanincal systems with industrial and defense applications as well as providing consulting services for military contractors. The company also owns a controlling interest in VTX Electronics Corp. (ASE:VTX).

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TAMPA, FL (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Silk Greenhouse Inc. announced Wednesday that B.B. Tuley, formerly president and chief executive officer of Michaels Stores Inc. based in Dallas, has joined Silk Greenhouse as president and chief executive officer, effective Sept. 1.

Tuley brings a wealth of retail experience to the company, having been involved for several years in this segment of the retail industry. Mr. Jere Bradwell, chairman of the company, stated, ''The Company is extremely

fortunate to have a person of Mr. Tuley's expertise and leadership abilities join our Company.''

At the same time the company also announced that L. Duane Cheek, formerly a securities partner with a major Washington law firm, has joined the company as executive vice president and general counsel, effective Sept. 1.

Bradwell stated that Cheek would not only oversee the legal matters of the company but would also be involved in assisting him and Tuley with management responsibilities.

The first steps to be taken by the new management team will be to refocus the company on what has previously made it a success -- quality floral products at reasonable prices. Tuley stated that, ''The Company grew too fast, in too many different directions and got out of its niche.

''I intend to have us go back to what Jere did best, which was well-designed, attractive floral products in a great many varieties. By bringing in many different products over the last two years I'm afraid we confused many of our customers. We intend to get back the Silk Greenhouse customer with our return to the old Silk Greenhouse.

''It's a tough task but I am convinced that the new management team will be able to do just that.''

Silk Greenhouse Inc. owns and operates 97 stores that sell artificial trees, flowers and plants, Christmas trim-a-tree and floral supplies in 24 states.

CONTACT: Silk Greenhouse Inc., Tampa
B.B. Tuley, 813/622-7886

-30- 2117
#90234b0791 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire
RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CALIF. (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Ultra Shield Products International Inc. (USPI), a leader in the chemical consumer and industrial product industry, and its chief executive officer Robert L. Tierney, Wednesday announced that it has entered into a letter of intent to be acquired by Aerial Acquisitions Inc. (Aerial), a pool out of Tri-Bradley in Englewood, Co.

Under ther terms of the proposed acquisition, ''Aerial'' will acquire 94.9 percent of the issued and outstanding shares of Ultra Shield Products International Inc.

Furthermore, USPI proposes to acquire 30 million shares of restricted Aerial common stock from the principles of ''Aerial.''

Aerial and USPI are now preparing a Post Effective Amendment to Aerial's Form S-18 Registration Statement. A purchase agreement is also being finalized by Aerial and USPI and final sign-off is expected by Sept. 1, 1990.

The merger will contribute to Ultra Shield's expansion whereby it expects to do $89 million in sales between now and 1993. The units of Aerial are now structured with A & B warrants which when exercised could net USPI an additional $4.2 million in expansion funds.

CONTACT: Ultra Shield Products International Inc., Rancho Cucamonga
Jay Rutherford, 714/980-0204
or
World Financial Network, Los Angeles
Ed Mira, 213/381-3523

-30- 1549
#90234b0794 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Shorewood Packaging Corp. (NASDAQ:SHOR) Wednesday announced preliminary financial results for its first fiscal quarter ended July 28, 1990.

Revenues for the first quarter were approximately the same as revenues for the comparable quarter of last year.

The company expects that its net earnings for the first fiscal quarter 1991 will be approximately 30 percent lower than the earnings reported in the corresponding quarter of last year.

Shorewood Packaging Corp. and its subsidiaries print and manufacture high quality paperboard packaging for such industries as music, home video, food, tobacco, film, cosmetics and toiletries.

The company's executive offices are in New York City with manufacturing and sales operations in New York, Georgia, Alabama, Virginia, Illinois, California, Canada and England.

CONTACT: Shorewood Packaging Corp., New York
Marc Shore, 212/371-1500

-30- 1115
#90234b0810 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

CHICAGO (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Management of America Inc. (ASE: MMA) announced record results for its third quarter ended July 31, 1990.

Management indicated that the improved outcome was the result of the company's more focused strategy established in 1989.

Net income for the third quarter, ended July 31, 1990, was $1.1 million; this compares with a loss of $6.9 million during the same period in 1989. On a per share basis, net income for the quarter was 7 cents per share compared with a 41 cent loss per share in the second quarter of 1989. Operating revenues measured $5.9 million during the quarter, an increase of 28 percent over the $4.6 million in operating revenues recorded for the same period a year ago.

Year to date, for the nine months ended July 31, 1990, net income was $2.2 million or 14 cents per share. This is in stark contrast to the $7.3 million loss, or loss of 44 cents per share, recorded in the first nine months of 1989. Nine month operating revenues were $15.1 million and $11 million in 1990 and 1989, respectively.

MMA owns and operates ambulatory surgical centers and manages medical practices specializing in comprehensive eye care and surgery. Headquartered in Chicago, the company's current medical operations are located in Illinois, Indiana, Florida and southern California.

CONTACT: Medical Management of America Inc., Chicago
Anita G. Jilek, 312/889-9900

-30- 1619
#90234b0812 08/22/1990 ~Business Wire

PONCE, PUERTO RICO (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Jose Angel Cangiano Rivera has been elected a director of Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B. (NASDAQ:PFBS).

The board appointment is subject to regulatory approval.

Cangiano fills the board's seat vacated by the retirement of Ramiro L. Colon Jr. Esq. as chairman. The board did not elect a new chairman. Colon retired as president on Aug. 10 and was succeeded in that office by Hans H. Hertell Esq. whose appointment is also subject to regulatory approval.

During the management transition period, the board appointed Freddy Maldonado and Fermin Contreras, both executive vice presidents of the bank to head finance/operations and credit policy functions respectively, reporting to the board.

Cangiano, an honors graduate of Catholic University of Puerto Rico (1959) and the University of Puerto Rico Law School (1962), is a member of the Puerto Rico Bar Association and has, for the last 28 years, been in the private practice of law in Ponce, Puerto Rico. He has served as president

of the Ponce Bar Association and is very active in that city's community affairs.

Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B., the third largest thrift institution in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, is a federally chartered, full-service financial institution headquartered in the Southern Coastal City of Ponce, Puerto Rico.

The bank maintains an island-wide network of 26 branches and executive offices in Ponce as well as Hato Rey, the financial center of metropolitan San Juan.

CONTACT: Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B., Ponce
Freddy Maldonado, 809/844-8100
by
Kehoe, White, Savage & Co. Inc., New York
John P. Kehoe/David C. Collins, 212/888-1616

-30- 1858

#90234c0002 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Iroquois Bancorp (TICKER: IROQ) earned $459,000, or $0.39 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $534,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $182,000), or $0.44 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0003 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Docugraphix Inc.(TICKER: DOCX) lost $745,090, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $913,630 in the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $983,661, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $448,547 in the fiscal year ended April 30, 1989.

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#90234c0005 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Optical Specialties Inc.(TICKER: OSIX) lost $485,000, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $1.13 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $76,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.90 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0006 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Cadema Corp. (TICKER: CDMA) earned $221,022, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $300,465 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $227,746, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $390,442 for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0007 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Northern Savings Bank, S.A.(TICKER: FNGB) earned $603,688, or $0.49 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $450,936, or $0.37 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0008 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Cedar Income Fund Ltd.(TICKER: CEDR) earned $138,471, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $499,965 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $273,499, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $657,884 for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0009 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Rockwood National Corp.(TICKER: RNTL) lost $825,000, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $783,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $850,000, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $440,000 for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0010 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Health Services Corp.(TICKER: AHTS) earned $445,644 (including an extraordinary gain of $93,450), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $8.12 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $417,045, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $6.26 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0011 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Northland Cranberries Inc.(TICKER: CBRY) lost $46,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.07 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $161,000, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $1.62 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0013 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Enscor Inc.(TICKER: ENCR) earned $101,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $21.63 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.08 million, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $12.96 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 484

#90234c0014 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:37 that trade in Mission Valley Bancorp(NASDAQ: MVBC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 10 1/4. The company is located in Pleasanton, CA.

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#90234c0015 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:42 that trade in Northern CA Community Bancorp (NASDAQ: NCCB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 17 1/2. The company is located in Alameda, CA.

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#90234c0016 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:46 that trade in Shaer Shoes Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol SHS.

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#90234c0017 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows

Techniclone International Corp.(TICKER: TCLN) lost $$1.71 million, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $401,515 for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.60 million, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $194,018 in fiscal 1989.

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#90234c0018 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Surgical Laser Technologies Inc.(TICKER: SLTI) earned $949,000, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $9.70 million for the quarter ended July 1, 1990.

This compares with net income of $402,000, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $5.67 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0019 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Community Financial Corp.(TICKER: CFFC) earned $367,725, or $0.56 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $362,526, or $0.54 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0021 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pacific International Services Corp.(TICKER: PISC) earned $1.82 million, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $18.95 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $49,540, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $15.60 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0022 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Gehl Co.(TICKER: GEHL) earned $2.80 million, or $0.46 per share, on revenues of $46.55 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.90 million, or $0.46 per share, on revenues of $43.47 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 484
#90234c0023 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Twin Star Productions Inc.(TICKER: TWIN) lost $847,749, or $0.26 per share on revenues of $17.97 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $7,881, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $5.10 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0024 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Management Systems Inc.(TICKER: AMSY) earned $2.16 million, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $63.37 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $370,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $56.82 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 513
#90234c0025 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows De Tomaso Industries Inc.(TICKER: DTOM) lost $3.29 million, or $1.60 per share, on revenues of $72.76 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of 23 million Italian lira, or 11 lira per share, on revenues of 130.36 billion lira for the same period in 1989.

-30- 511
#90234c0026 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hunter Environmental Services Inc.(TICKER: HESI) lost $243,000, or $0.02 per share, on dividend income of $590,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $158,000 (including a gain of $857,000 from discontinued operations), or $0.01 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

-30- 548
#90234c0027 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows All American Semiconductor Inc.(TICKER: SEMI) earned $5,471, at an unknown

price per share, on revenues of $10 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2,444, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $8.86 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

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#90234c0029 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:42 that trade in Justin Ind. (NASDAQ: JSTN) has been resumed. The first sale was 14 1/4; down 3/4 point from the halt and from the previous close.

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#90234c0030 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - Magic Restaurants Inc.(TICKER: MI), a New York-based restaurant chain, is one of several targets of a Securities and Exchange Commission investigation concerning 16 ''blind check'' offerings, all involving two people, including Magic Restaurants Inc.'s former special counsel.

The SEC is trying to determine whether the price of the stock was manipulated, whether the buyers of the securities acted as nominees on behalf of certain individuals, and whether artificial trading of the securities took place.

In a blind check offering, investors are not given a specific reason for the offering or told how the proceeds will be used.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 21, 1990.

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#90234c0031 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - Detroit-based Firstfed Michigan Corp. (TICKER: FFOM) will buy back up to 750,000 of its common shares in the open market periodically, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 21, 1990

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#90234c0032 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - Chippewa Resources Corp. has acquired

control of financially ailing Delta Petroleum Corp. of Denver, Colo., in a stock swap, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 21, 1990

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#90234c0033 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - Eagle Industries Inc., a subsidiary of Chicago-based Great American Management and Investment Inc.(TICKER: GAMI), has sold its Ceramx Corp. unit to a subsidiary of Feldmuehle Aktiengesellschaft of West Germany for $13 million.

Included in the sale were Ceramx's two operating divisions, Ceramaseal and Interceram, and its wholly owned subsidiary, AlSiMay Technical Ceramics Inc.

Ceramx and its subsidiaries produce ceramic-to-metal bonded products and ceramic substrates and structural products for distribution to the electrical utility and computer markets, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 21, 1990

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#90234c0034 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - Cedar Rapids, Iowa-based IE Industries Inc. (TICKER: IEL) grossed $103 million on the sale of its 2.46 million Telecom *USA shares to MCI Communications Corp. under MCI's (TICKER: MCIC) $42-a- share tender offer, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 21, 1990

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#90234c0035 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - Dallas-based Toreador Royalty Corp. (TICKER: TRGL) has acquired an undivided 50 percent interest in certain West Texas oil and gas leases, plus related equipment, property, improvements and other rights, from Clear Fork Inc., for $530,205, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on

AUG. 21, 1990.

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#90234c0037 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - Van Buren, Ark.-based Gemini Capital Corp. (TICKER: GEMI) has acquired a 100 percent working oil and gas interest in 15,820 acres in Frio County, Texas that contain 86 wellbores, from Blackstar Energy Ltd., for $200,000 cash and 1.94 million Gemini Capital common shares, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 21, 1990.

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#90234c0038 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Fidelity Medical Inc.(TICKER: FMSI) lost $225,741, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.28 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $333,153, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.02 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 468
#90234c0039 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lasermetrics Inc.(TICKER: LSRM) lost $41,625, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.08 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $163,916, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $950,002 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 464
#90234c0040 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Syntech International(TICKER: SYNQ) lost $1.38 million, or $0.28 per share on revenues of $2.02 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $2.27 million, or $0.43 per share, on revenues of $2.14 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0041 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows KMS Industries (TICKER: KMSI) earned $38,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $7.42 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $298,000, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $6.40 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0042 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Gold Coin Mining (TICKER: GLCN) lost $117,438, or $0.04 per share, on no revenues for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $200,853, or $0.02 per share, on no revenues in the previous fiscal year.

Gold Coin Mining Inc. is currently in the development stage and reports that due to financial constraints, the development of its mining properties has been suspended pending availability of additional funds.

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#90234c0043 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows North American Bancorporation (TICKER: NOAB) lost $655,000, or $0.47 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $197,000, or $0.14 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0045 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows DRX Inc. (TICKER: DTRH) lost $2.93 million, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $33,509 for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $1.71 million, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $1.62 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90234c0046 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Drug Screens (TICKER: ADSI) lost $218,099, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.54 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $104,214, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.01 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0047 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Delaware Savings Bank, FSB,(TICKER: DESB) lost $66,000, or $0.28 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $44,000, or $0.19 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0048 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Railroadmen's Federal Savings and Loan(TICKER: RRMN) earned $727,083 (including an extraordinary gain of $237,308), or $0.59 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.09 million (including an extraordinary gain of $214,074), or $0.92 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0049 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Raycomm Transworld Industries(TICKER: RACM) earned $275,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $12.96 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $158,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $12.70 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0050 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Prime Resources Corp.(TICKER: PLDS) earned $137,425, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.33 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $130,150, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $2.90 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0051 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Victoria Financial Corp.(TICKER: VICF) earned $22,030, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $5.15 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $23,139, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $3.87 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0054 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:15 that trade in Northern CA Community Bancorp (NASDAQ: NCCB) has been resumed. The first sale was 17; down 1/2 point from the halt and from the previous close.

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#90234c0055 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows BMR Financial Group Inc.(TICKER: BMRG) earned $497,000, or $0.13 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $570,000, or $0.20 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0056 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Computer & Communications Technology(TICKER: CCTC) lost $685,000, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $16.09 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $345,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $15.63 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0057 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American First Corp.(TICKER: AFCO) lost $1.10 million, or $.21 per share, on revenues of $1.93 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $200,326 (including a gain of $114,316 from discontinued operations), or $0.04 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0058 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Osmonics Inc.(TICKER: OSMO) reported net income of $898,000, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $11.16 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.06 million, or $.20 per share, on revenues of $9.01 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0059 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Nova Pharmaceutical Corp.(TICKER: NOVX) lost $3.52 million, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $3.22 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $2.87 million, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $2.92 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0060 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Goody Products Inc.(TICKER: GOOD) earned $1.23 million, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $62.69 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $519,000, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $61.04 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 492
#90234c0062 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Jack's Inc. earned $4,344, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $3.44 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net profit of $67,580, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.97 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90234c0063 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 21, 1990, Kansas City Power & Light Co.(TICKER: KAN) announced it has extended its tender offer until Sept. 14, 1990.

-30- 345

#90234c0064 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows KV Pharmaceutical Co.(TICKER: KVPH) lost $835,191, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $6.92 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $570,292, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $9.01 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480

#90234c0066 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mid-American Waste Systems Inc.(TICKER: MAWS) earned $1.92 million, or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $20.07 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $520,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $11.55 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 522

#90234c0068 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Westport Bancorp (TICKER: WBAT) lost $494,000, or $0.23 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $169,000, or $0.08 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 420

#90234c0070 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Datavision Inc.(TICKER: DVIS) lost $44,198, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $32,797 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $778,362 (including a net loss of $330,949 from discontinued operations), or $0.08 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

-30- 516

#90234c0071 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L.D. JOHNSTON OWNS 5,925,800 SHARES (50.40%) OF ECOGEN INC (TICKER: EECN) OF LANGHORNE, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 2, 1990, Ecogen Inc. agreed to sell 4,250,000 shares and common warrants for 5 million shares, exercisable at $3 per share, to David Blech for $8.5 million. Blech then assigned certain rights to the Island Charitable Remainder Unitrust and the Celestial Charitable Remainder Unitrust, of which Blech is the sole trustee, pursuant to an assignment agreement. Ecogen Inc. is required to seek the approval of stockholders to increase the authorized shares outstanding from 12 million to 35 million and to nominate designees of Blech to the board. L.D. Johnston is a party to a stockholders' agreement requiring each party to vote their shares of common stock at the next annual meeting in favor of Blech's proposals and as such holds only 67,340 shares directly.

PURPOSE:

Purchase agreements.

-30- 1125
#90234c0073 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.F. JOHNSTON OWNS 5,925,800 SHARES (50.40%) OF ECOGEN INC (TICKER: EECN) OF LANGHORNE, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 2, 1990, Ecogen Inc. agreed to sell 4,250,000 shares and common warrants for 5 million shares, exercisable at $3 per share, to David Blech for $8.5 million. Blech then assigned certain rights to the Island Charitable Remainder Unitrust and the Celestial Charitable Remainder Unitrust, of which Blech is the sole trustee, pursuant to an assignment agreement. Ecogen Inc. is required to seek the approval of stockholders to increase the authorized shares outstanding from 12 million to 35 million and to nominate designees of Blech to the board. R.F. Johnston is a party to a stockholders' agreement requiring each party to vote their shares of common stock at the next annual meeting in favor of Blech's proposals and

as such holds only 64,500 shares directly.

PURPOSE:

Purchase agreements.

-30- 1125
#90234c0074 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R. JOHNSTON TRUSTEE OWNS 5,925,800 SHARES (50.40%) OF ECOGEN INC (TICKER: EECN) OF LANGHORNE, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 2, 1990, Ecogen Inc. agreed to sell 4,250,000 shares and common warrants for 5 million shares, exercisable at $3 per share, to David Blech for $8.5 million. Blech then assigned certain rights to the Island Charitable Remainder Unitrust and the Celestial Charitable Remainder Unitrust, of which Blech is the sole trustee, pursuant to an assignment agreement. Ecogen Inc. is required to seek the approval of stockholders to increase the authorized shares outstanding from 12 million to 35 million and to nominate designees of Blech to the board. R. Johnston is a party to a stockholders' agreement requiring each party to vote their shares of common stock at the next annual meeting in favor of Blech's proposals and as such holds only 270,000 shares directly.

PURPOSE:

Purchase agreements.

-30- 1135
#90234c0075 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Exovir Inc.(TICKER: XOVR) lost $434,312, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $132,590 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $218,704, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $6,059 for the same period in 1989.

Exovir Inc. reports that prior to the introduction of its first cosmetic products to be marketed to professional skin care salons in April, 1990, it had no operating revenues and has incurred substantial research and development and general and administrative expenses.

-30- 731
#90234c0077 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

B.C. CARLTON OWNS 5,925,800 SHARES (50.40%) OF ECOGEN INC (TICKER: EECN) OF LANGHORNE, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 2, 1990, Ecogen Inc. agreed to sell 4,250,000 shares and common warrants for 5 million shares, exercisable at $3 per share, to David Blech for $8.5 million. Blech then assigned certain rights to the Island Charitable Remainder Unitrust and the Celestial Charitable Remainder Unitrust, of which Blech is the sole trustee, pursuant to an assignment agreement. Ecogen Inc. is required to seek the approval of stockholders to increase the authorized shares outstanding from 12 million to 35 million and to nominate designees of Blech to the board. B.C. Carlton is a party to a stockholders' agreement requiring each party to vote their shares of common stock at the next annual meeting in favor of Blech's proposals and as such holds only 129,604 shares directly.

PURPOSE:

Purchase agreements.

-30- 1122
#90234c0078 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.E. DAVIES OWNS 5,925,800 SHARES (50.40%) OF ECOGEN INC (TICKER: EECN) OF LANGHORNE, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 2, 1990, Ecogen Inc. agreed to sell 4,250,000 shares and common warrants for 5 million shares, exercisable at $3 per share, to David Blech for $8.5 million. Blech then assigned certain rights to the Island Charitable Remainder Unitrust and the Celestial Charitable Remainder Unitrust, of which Blech is the sole trustee, pursuant to an assignment agreement. Ecogen Inc. is required to seek the approval of stockholders to increase the authorized shares outstanding from 12 million to 35 million

and to nominate designees of Blech to the board. J.E. Davies is a party to a stockholders' agreement requiring each party to vote their shares of common stock at the next annual meeting in favor of Blech's proposals and as such holds only 427,690 shares directly.

PURPOSE:

Purchase agreements.

-30- 1119
#90234c0079 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M.V. COHEN OWNS 5,497,437 SHARES (6.70%) OF NEW YORK FILM WORKS INC (TICKER: NYFW) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M.V. Cohen purchased 2,011,000 shares from Oct. 18 to Nov. 22, 1989 for $.013 to $.016 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 456
#90234c0080 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in National Intergroup Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Exchange, ticker symbol NII. Trading was resumed at 12:45.

-30- 355
#90234c0082 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows BTR Realty Inc.(TICKER: BTRI) lost $371,661, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $5.35 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $4,438, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $7.38 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 471
#90234c0083 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Applied DNA Systems Inc.(TICKER: ADNA) lost $504,640, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $302,805 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $324,540, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $188,279 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 475

#90234c0084 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Retailing Corporation of America(TICKER: RCOA) lost $884,000, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $26.17 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $621,000 ($738,000 loss from discontinued operations), or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $27.64 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 545

#90234c0085 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows J. Michaels Inc.(TICKER: MICH) earned $243,000, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $2.76 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $224,000, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $2.82 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 476

#90234c0086 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Biogenetic Sciences Inc.(TICKER: MABX) lost $499,000, or $0.10 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $353,000, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $8,000 for the same period in 1989.

In May and June of 1990 the company completed its initial public offering of common stock and American Biogenic Sciences Inc. has been in the development stage since its inception.

American Biogenic Sciences Inc. reports it is depending on its ability to enter into arrangements with large pharmaceutical companies to provide the funding to perform tests necessary to obtain regulatory approvals, provide manufacturing expertise and market its proposed "in vivo" products.

American Biogenic Sciences Inc.'s executive office is located at Reyniers

Germ Free Building, P.O. Box 1001, Notre Dame, Indiana 46556 and its telephone number is (219) 239-7755.

-30- 1151

#90234c0087 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Commerce Group Corp.(TICKER: CGCO) earned $321 at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $19,023 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $12,610, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $15,620 for the same period in 1989.

Commerce Group Corp. is in a mining pre-production stage.

-30- 519

#90234c0088 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Southern Educators Life Insurance Co.(TICKER: SOED) earned $300,308, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $7.05 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $836,070, or $0.41 per share, on revenues of $7.28 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 512

#90234c0090 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 21, 1990, Mr. Bolger submitted a shareholder proposal to the secretary of First State Financial Services Inc.(TICKER: FSFI) for inclusion in First State's proxy materials for the annual meeting of shareholders to be held in 1991. The proposal requests that First State's board take all steps necessary to delete the "anti-takeover" provisions of the certificate of incorporation by removing Section D of Article Fourth and Article Eighth, and reducing the required shareholder vote contained in Article Seventh from 80 percent to a simple majority and to let First State Financial Services shareholders vote on such matters at the 1991

annual meeting.

PURPOSE:

Inclusion of shareholder proposal in proxy materials.

-30- 971
#90234c0091 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

EAST ROCK PARTNERS LP OWNS 159,200 SHARES (5.90%) OF A P GREEN INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: APGI).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between May 3, 1990 and Aug. 15, 1990, East Rock Partners LP sold 37,800 shares at a price of $23.63 to $26.75 per share.

-30- 461
#90234c0092 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,627,700 SHARES (54.36%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

LATEST TRANSACTION: Between May 1, 1990 and Aug. 17, 1990, Walsh Greenwood & Co. purchased 815,000 class A common shares at a price of $6.38 to $8.75 per share; purchased 10,000 class B common shares at a price of $7.88 per share; and purchased 58,400 $1.60 cumulative convertible preferred shares at a price of $22.13 to $35 per share.

-30- 697
#90234c0093 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 36,500 SHARES (22.92%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

LATEST TRANSACTION: Between May 1, 1990 and Aug. 17, 1990, Walsh Greenwood & Co. purchased 815,000 class A common shares at a price of $6.38 to $8.75 per share; purchased 10,000 class B common shares at a price of $7.88 per share; and purchased 58,400 $1.60 cumulative convertible preferred shares at a price of $22.13 to $35 per share.

-30- 693
#90234c0094 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 472,500 SHARES (61.00%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between May 1, 1990 and Aug. 17, 1990, Walsh Greenwood & Co. purchased 815,000 class A common shares at a price of $6.38 to $8.75 per share; purchased 10,000 class B common shares at a price of $7.88 per share; and purchased 58,400 $1.60 cumulative convertible preferred shares at a price of $22.13 to $35 per share.

-30- 701
#90234c0095 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY WG PARTNERS LP OWNS 1,500,000 SHARES (25.48%) OF SHIRT SHED INC (TICKER: SHRT) OF WABASH, IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 7, 1990, WG Partners and Shirt Shed Partners, entered into an agreement for purchase and sale of warrant no. 3, dated April 13, 1988, exercisable for 1,000,000 shares of common stock at a purchase price of $.75 per share, $3,250,000, subject to adjustments; and, on the same date, the same parties entered to an option agreement for purchase and sale of

warrant no. 4, dated April 13, 1988, exercisable until Aug. 5, 1991 for 500,000 shares of common stock at $.75 per share, $125,000, subject to adjustments.

PURPOSE:

Purchase and sale, and option agreements.

-30- 912
#90234c0096 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 21, 1990, Caesars World Inc.(TICKER: CAW) announced that it has agreed in principle to a settlement of the lawsuits brought by certain shareholders of Caesars New Jersey Inc.(TICKER: CJN) in connection with the tender offer. The settlement includes an additional payment of $.25 per share for all shares tendered under the offer. CWI also extended its tender offer from Aug. 21 to Sept. 7, 1990.

-30- 623
#90234c0100 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:31 that trade in Unifast Ind. Inc.(NASDAQ: UFST) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 11/16. The company is located in Hauppauge, NY.

-30- 337
#90234c0101 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Shaer Shoe Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol SHS. Trading was resumed at 14:51.

-30- 345
#90234c0102 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:28 that trade in Myo-Tech Corp. (NASDAQ: MYOT) has been resumed. The first bid was 1/2; down 1/16 point from the halt, and down 3/32 point from the previous close.

-30- 356
#90234c0103 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:32 that trade in Unifast Ind. Inc. (NASDAQ: UFST) has been resumed. The first bid was 5/8; down 1/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 353

#90234c0104 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ohio Bancorp (TICKER: OHBC) earned $95,265, or $0.07 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $4.12 million, or $0.81 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 411

#90234c0105 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Novellus Systems (TICKER: NVLS) reported net income of $3.48 million, or $0.50 per share, on revenues of $16.55 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $2.66 million, or $0.41 per share, on revenues of $12.16 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 526

#90234c0106 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Wellington Hall, Ltd.(TICKER: WHAL) earned $512,084 (including an extraordinary gain of $97,817), or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $6.19 million in the fiscal year that ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $442,362 (including an extraordinary gain of $165,649), or $0.32 per share, on revenues of $5.65 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 595

#90234c0108 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Carmel Energy Inc.(TICKER: CRML) lost $17,886, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $125,773 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $13,681, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $180,318 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 490
#90234c0109 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows California Jamar (TICKER: JMAR) reported a net loss of $337,658, or $0.39 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $132,661, or $0.38 per share, on revenues of $27,233 for the same period in 1989.

California Jamar Inc. is in the development stage and to date has devoted its efforts to develop its laser capabilities into products for acceptance in the government or commercial markets.

-30- 678
#90234c0110 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Merchants Bancorp (TICKER: NMBC) reported a net loss of $6.05 million, or $2.45 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $115,815, or $0.05 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 444
#90234c0111 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mercantile Bancorporation (TICKER: MTRC) earned $13.44 million, or $0.83 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $5.65 million, or $0.35 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 450
#90234c0112 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Independent Bank Corp.(TICKER: INDB) earned $566,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $92,000), or $0.26 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $692,000, or $0.33 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 493
#90234c0113 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Medicine Shoppe International (TICKER: MSII) reporting a net income of $2.46 million, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $8.01 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $1.94 million, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $6.83 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 545

#90234c0114 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Steel of West Virginia (TICKER: SWVA) earned $973,000, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $23.18 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.85 million, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $26.02 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 494

#90234c0116 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Electrosource Inc.(TICKER: ELSI) lost $689,547, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $39,616 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $570,182, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $181,024 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 458

#90234c0117 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Global Resources Inc.(TICKER: GLRS) earned $4,090, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $260,104 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $80,838, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $317,979 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 472

#90234c0118 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Southward Ventures Depositary Trust lost $813, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $44,303 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $43,888, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $44,754 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 479
#90234c0119 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Touchfon International Inc. (formerly Monza Capital Corp.(TICKER: MZCT)) lost $61,863, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $185,904 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $11,630, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $119,653 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 525
#90234c0120 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bio-Monitor Inc.(TICKER: BMON) lost $330,008, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $230,638 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $569,083, or $0.27 per share, on revenues of $1,796 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 456
#90234c0121 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows BCI Geonetics Inc.(TICKER: BCGN) lost $141,406, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $401,272 for the quarter ended June 29, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $99,041, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $689,606 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 453
#90234c0122 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows USBancorp Inc.(TICKER: USBP) earned $2.02 million (including an extraordinary gain of $524,000), or $0.68 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.62 million (extraordinary gain of $448,000), or $0.52 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 513
#90234c0124 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Value Merchants Inc.(TICKER: VLMR) lost $867,000, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $23.18 million for the 16-week period ended May 26, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $79,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $12.31 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 474

#90234c0125 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Shenandoah Telecommunications Co. earned $935,146, or $1.99 per share, on revenues of $3.47 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $764,038, or $1.63 per share, on revenues of $3.27 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 486

#90234c0126 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Edgemark Financial Corp. earned $741,032, or $0.37 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $919,495, or $0.47 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 410

#90234c0127 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Technology General Corp.(TICKER: TGEN) lost $6,362, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $121,042, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $936,918 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 474

#90234c0128 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 21:

California Beach Restaurants Inc. (CBFC)
Illinois Central Corp. (ICRR)
Radius Inc. (RDUS)
Sylvan Foods Holdings Inc. (SYLN)

The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 20:

A&A Foods Ltd. (ANAFF)
Hickok Electrical Instrument Co. - Cl A (HICKA)

Medical Management of America Inc. (MMOA)

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#90234c0129 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 21:

Epsilon Data Management Inc. (EPSI); Acquired by American Express Co.
The Rockies Fund Inc. (ROCFC); Total assets below minimum
Wayne Bancorp Inc. (WCNB); Issue postponed, security never quoted

-30- 423
#90234c0130 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) COMTEX - Softsel Computer Products Inc. (SOFS) will undergo a name and symbol change to Merisel Inc. (MSEL) effective Aug. 23.

The following issues will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Aug. 22:

Pioneer Federal Savings Bank (PFBK) to Pioneer Savings Bank (PFBK)
Showscan Film Corp. (SHOW) to Showscan Corp. (SHOW)

Fairmount Chemical Co. Inc. (FMTCC) underwent a symbol change to (FMTC) effective Aug. 21.

-30- 572
#90234c0132 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CITICORP VENTURE CAPITAL LTD OF 153 EAST 53RD STREET, 5TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10043, HAS FILED TO SELL 301,150 SHARES OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: AX) THROUGH FREIMARK BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. TEL: 212 644-6900)

-30- 476
#90234c0133 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. CASTLETON OF 3468 BROCKBANK DR, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84124, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF INMEDICA DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: INMD) THROUGH WASATCH STOCK TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG.20, 1990.

(INMEDICA DEVELOPMENT CORP. TEL: 801 596-2300)

-30- 444
#90234c0134 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OCTAVIA Y HARVEY OF 2129 FOUNTAIN SQUARE DR, FORT WORTH, TX 76107, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 400
#90234c0135 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERTS THOMAS H III TRUST OF 3040 POST OAK BLVD, HOUSTON, TX 77056, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PRDE) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES INC. TEL: 713 871-8567)

-30- 459
#90234c0136 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARL G SMITH OF 3003 GULF SHORE BLVD N, MARTINIQUE CLUB #801, NAPLES FL 33940, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF GERBER PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: GEB) THROUGH BAIRD BUYS MACGREGOR. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(GERBER PRODUCTS CO. TEL: 616 928-2000)

-30- 430
#90234c0137 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOLT VIRGINIA R TRUST OF 3040 POST OAK BLVD, HOUSTON, TX 77056, HAS FILED TO SELL 56,250 SHARES OF PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PRDE) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES INC. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 449
#90234c0138 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EQUITY & LAW LIFE ASSN SOCIETY OF 2221 OLD OAKLAND RD, SAN JOSE, CA 95131, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,000 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 469
#90234c0140 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INSTITUTIONAL VENTURE PART III OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, 2-290, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 240,000 SHARES OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(ALTERA CORP. TEL: 408 984-2800)

-30- 435
#90234c0141 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT F PETERS OF 2000 EASTMAN DR, MILFORD, OH 45150, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH COR (TICKER: SDRC) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH COR TEL: 513 576-2000)

-30- 456
#90234c0142 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACOB R JACOBS OF 43 SYCAMORE CREEK, IRVINE, CA 92715, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF TOKOS MEDICAL CORP. (DEL) (TICKER: TKOS) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(TOKOS MEDICAL CORP. (DEL) TEL: 714 474-1616)

-30- 430
#90234c0143 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARVIN S HAUSMAN OF 1341 OCEAN AVE, SUITE 372, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 426
#90234c0144 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LLOYD B EMBRY OF 10121 EVERGREEN WAY, SUITE 218, EVERETT, WA 98204, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 425
#90234c0145 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM R GRAVES OF 43081 SCOFIELD COURT, FREMONT, CA 94539, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 418
#90234c0146 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAYMOND J ZABLOCKI OF 142 STONE PINE LN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,175 SHARES OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 415 882-2300)

-30- 443
#90234c0148 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM M RAMSEY OF 42 SOUTHGATE, THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,550 SHARES OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 713 374-1548)

-30- 422
#90234c0149 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM M RAMSEY OF 20555 SH 249, HOUSTON, TX 77070, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,584 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 433-3340)

-30- 424
#90234c0150 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GAREN G BOHLIN OF 87 CAMBRIDGE PK DR, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02140, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. TEL: 617 742-9100)

-30- 429
#90234c0151 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES W YEARGAIN OF 1900 POST OAK TWR BLDG, 5051 WESTHEIMER RD, HOUSTON, TX 77056, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF ROWAN COS. (TICKER: RDC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(ROWAN COS. TEL: 713 621-7800)

-30- 422
#90234c0152 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ELEANOR CHARITABLE TRUST BRADLEY OF 950 WINTER ST, P O BOX 9073, WALTHAM, MA 02254, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,430 SHARES OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CABOT CORP. TEL: 617 890-0200)

-30- 422
#90234c0153 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W HAYNE HIPP OF WADE HAMPTON BLVD, PO BOX 789, GREENVILLE, SC 29602, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC) THROUGH DILLON READ & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(THE LIBERTY CORP. TEL: 803 268-8111)

-30- 412
#90234c0154 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLORIA S BECKER OF 51 EAST 90TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10128, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,798 SHARES OF GERBER PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: GEB) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(GERBER PRODUCTS CO. TEL: 616 928-2000)

-30- 402
#90234c0156 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOIGAARDS INC OF 3550 SOUTH HIWAY 100, 0, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416, HAS FILED TO SELL 28,832 SHARES OF RAVEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RAV) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(RAVEN INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 605 336-2750)

-30- 411
#90234c0157 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PABLO D VALENZUELA OF 455 UPPER TERRANCE #3, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94117

HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF CHIRON CORP. (TICKER: CHIR) THROUGH ROBERTSON COLMAN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CHIRON CORP. TEL: 415 655-8730)

-30- 407
#90234c0158 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BAYLORD INVESTMENTS LTD OF 464 HUDSON TERRACE, ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ 07632, HAS FILED TO SELL 124,427 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH YORKTON CONTINENTAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 21, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 201 569-4141)

-30- 428
#90234c0159 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEON C HIRSCH OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 401
#90234c0160 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SWANSON ROBERT L TTEE OF 1639 MCCARTHY BLVD, MILPITAS, CA 95035, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 415 942-0810)

-30- 447
#90234c0161 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALZA CORP ESOP TRUST OF P O BOX 10950, 0, PALO ALTO, CA 94303, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(ALZA CORP. TEL: 415 496-8143)

-30- 398
#90234c0162 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY & SUSAN LIVING TRUST WILCOX OF 2910 7TH ST, BERKELEY, CA 94710, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF XOMA CORP. (TICKER: XOMA) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(XOMA CORP. TEL: 415 644-1170)

-30- 403
#90234c0164 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN T WINN OF 2395 MIDWAY RD, CARROLLTON, TX 75000, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: WCTV) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 214 416-4100)

-30- 435
#90234c0165 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREDERICK W LANG OF 2817 WESTWOOD RD, MINNETONKA BEACH, MN 55361, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ANALYSTS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ANLY) THROUGH JOHN G KINNARD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 15, 1990.

(ANALYSTS INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 612 835-2330)

-30- 443
#90234c0166 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACOB SHEMESH OF P O BOX 1640, TECHNION CITY, HAIFA, ISRAEL, OV 00000, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF I.I.S. INTELLIGENT INFORMATION S (TICKER: IISL) THROUGH OSCAR GRUSS & SON INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(I.I.S. INTELLIGENT INFORMATION S TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 476
#90234c0167 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM B PHILIPBAR JR OF P O BOX 2349, WILMINGTON, DE 19899, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF ROLLINS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES I (TICKER: REN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(ROLLINS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES I TEL: 302 479-2989)

-30- 453
#90234c0168 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTHERN TRUST CO TTEE OF 8501 W HIGGINS RD, CHICAGO, IL 60631, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. TEL: 312 693-3040)

-30- 447
#90234c0169 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEWSOME P DAVID JR TTEE OF 12377 MERIT DR, SUITE 750, LB14, DALLAS, TX 75251, HAS FILED TO SELL 152,309 SHARES OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(URANIUM RESOURCES INC. TEL: 214 934-7777)

-30- 463
#90234c0170 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRIEDMAN & ASSOCS BENJAMIN OF 18151 NE 31 1ST CT #117, N MIAMI BCH, FL 33160, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,814 SHARES OF CATALINA LIGHTING INC. (TICKER: LTG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CATALINA LIGHTING INC. TEL: 305 558-4777)

-30- 445
#90234c0172 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERTS JOHN T TRUST OF 3040 POST OAK BLVD, HOUSTON, TX 77056, HAS FILED TO SELL 181,293 SHARES OF PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PRDE) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES INC. TEL: 713 871-8567)

-30- 449
#90234c0173 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT A LAHR OF 5214 STAMPER WAY, HOUSTON, TX 77056, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF TUBOSCOPE CORP. (TICKER: TUBO) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(TUBOSCOPE CORP. TEL: 713 799-5199)

-30- 398
#90234c0174 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD V INGRAM OF 2200 ROSS AVE STE 4300E LB169, DALLAS, TX 75201, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF IMCO RECYCLING INC. (TICKER: IMRI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(IMCO RECYCLING INC. TEL: 214 869-6575)

-30- 422
#90234c0175 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WARREN C COOK OF FREEMAN RIDGE, KINGFIELD, ME 04947, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,718 SHARES OF CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. (TICKER: CMFB) THROUGH DILLON READ & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. TEL: 603 424-9000)

-30- 416

#90234c0176 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GRAHAM LEWIS ADELMAN OF 2433 ROGERS AVE, FORT WORTH, TX 76107, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF WESTERN CO. OF NORTH AMERICA (TICKER: WSN) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20 1990.

(WESTERN CO. OF NORTH AMERICA TEL: 817 731-5100)

-30- 452
#90234c0177 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLEN S BRAUMILLER OF 4979 EAST 113TH STREET SO., TULSA, OK 74137, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF HELMERICH & PAYNE INC. (TICKER: HP) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(HELMERICH & PAYNE INC. TEL: 918 742-5531)

-30- 436
#90234c0178 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE A SCHAPIRO OF 3880 RALSTON AVE, HILLSBOROUGH, CA 94010, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF ANDROS ANALYZERS INC. (TICKER: ANDY) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(ANDROS ANALYZERS INC. TEL: 415 849-5700)

-30- 425
#90234c0180 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GREATER WASHINGTON INVESTORS INC OF 5454 WISCONSIN AVE, CHEVY CHASE, MD 20815, HAS FILED TO SELL 136,804 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 445
#90234c0181 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT K ANDERSON OF 5920 LONGBOW DR, BOULDER, CO 80301, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF NEW ENGLAND CRITICAL CARE INC. (TICKER: NECC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(NEW ENGLAND CRITICAL CARE INC. TEL: 508 836-3610)

-30- 451
#90234c0182 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREDERICK A KREHBIEL OF 505 SOUTH COUNTY LINE RD, HINSDALE, IL 60521 HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(MOLEX INC. TEL: 708 969-2973)

-30- 407
#90234c0183 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - I-TECH R&D L P OF 9248 CAMBRIDGE MANOR CT, POTOMAC, MD 20854, HAS FILED TO SELL 400,000 SHARES OF COMVERSE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CMVT) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(COMVERSE TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 516 921-0470)

-30- 439
#90234c0184 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MEDTRONIC INC OF 7000 CENTRAL AVE NE, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55432, HAS FILED TO SELL 139,336 SHARES OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 647-8277)

-30- 460
#90234c0185 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERRY L KAVENY OF 8600 WEST BAKER, LAKEWOOD, CO 80227, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF COORS (ADOLPH) CO. (TICKER: ACCO) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(COORS (ADOLPH) CO. TEL: 303 279-6565)

-30- 404
#90234c0186 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER DALESIO OF 2255 WEST GILL PLACE, DENVER, CO 80223, HAS FILED TO SELL 87,500 SHARES OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(RYAN-MURPHY INC. TEL: 303 293-3835)

-30- 407
#90234c0188 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEROME F SHELDON OF 47 GRANADA WAY, ST LOUIS, MO 63124, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF MEDICINE SHOPPE INTERNATIONAL IN (TICKER: MSII) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(MEDICINE SHOPPE INTERNATIONAL IN TEL: 314 993-6000)

-30- 450
#90234c0189 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAROLD A HILDEBRAND OF 11607 MANOR PARK DR, 0, HOUSTON, TX 77077, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. TEL: 713 579-4700)

-30- 444
#90234c0190 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEOFFREY W GATES OF 15023 NORTH 1ST STREET, PHOENIX, AZ 85022, HAS

FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2855)

-30- 410
#90234c0191 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT S WALLIN OF 934 EAST BECKER LANE, PHOENIX, AZ 85020, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 404
#90234c0192 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALLACE F E KIENAST OF 1109 POPOLEE RD, JACKSONVILLE, FL 32250, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(KOGER PROPERTIES INC. TEL: 904 396-4811)

-30- 433
#90234c0193 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, P.B. RAEDER, SHAREHOLDER OF BENJAMIN MOORE & CO. SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $52.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,780.

-30- 313
#90234c0194 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, J.R. PORTEOUS JR, DIR. OF PV FINANCIAL BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,840.

-30- 290
#90234c0196 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, W.J. BARRETT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ESI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ESI), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90234c0197 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 2, 1990, W.J. BARRETT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ESI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ESI), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90234c0198 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 6, 1990, W.J. BARRETT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ESI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ESI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90234c0199 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, W.J. BARRETT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ESI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ESI), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 102,663.

-30- 350
#90234c0200 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, B. DIDARIO, AFFILIATED PERSON OF THE INFERGENE CO. (TICKER: IFGN) SOLD 5,003 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,997.

-30- 326
#90234c0201 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 12, 1990, P.A. CARROLL, DIR. OF CORONA CORP. (TICKER: ICR), SOLD 6,000 CLASS A SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 315,490.

-30- 319

#90234c0202 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 23, 1990, R.D. LEVY, CHAIRMAN OF ORIOLE HOMES CORP. (TICKER: OHC), BOUGHT 500 CLASS A SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,827.

-30- 318
#90234c0204 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, J.W. NELSON, OFFICER OF LEVY BANCORP BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 285
#90234c0205 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 27, 1990, S. GUNDERSEN, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: IBNJ) (NEW JERSEY) SOLD 600 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,971.

-30- 334
#90234c0206 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 8, 1990, L.A. HARRIS, DIR. OF GARDEN STATE BANCSHARES INC. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,891.

-30- 314
#90234c0207 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 13, 1990, M.S. LAPERA, VP OF FCNB CORP SOLD 200 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,456.

-30- 265
#90234c0208 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, RICHARD H MOREHEAD, VP OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES (TICKER: ABT), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $42.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 6,821.

-30- 315
#90234c0209 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, ARNOLD J FRANKEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ACETO CORP. (TICKER: ACET), SOLD 991 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 201,435.

-30- 321
#90234c0210 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JOHN H DANIELS, DIR. OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $25.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 424,434.

-30- 324
#90234c0212 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, RICHARD L MCINTIRE, DIR. OF ADVANCED MAGNETICS INC. (TICKER: ADMG), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 84,600.

-30- 328
#90234c0213 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, LEO W LADEHOFF, CHAIRMAN OF AMCAST INDUSTRIAL CORP. (TICKER: AIZ), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90234c0214 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, LEO W LADEHOFF, CHAIRMAN OF AMCAST INDUSTRIAL CORP. (TICKER: AIZ), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 86,070.

-30- 330

#90234c0215 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT J PFEIFFER, CHAIRMAN OF ALEXANDER & BALDWIN INC. (TICKER: ALEX), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 186,872.

-30- 338
#90234c0216 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, EDSON W SPENCER, DIR. OF BOISE CASCADE CORP. (TICKER: BCC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $31.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,050.

-30- 313
#90234c0217 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, THOMAS H KEAN, DIR. OF BELL ATLANTIC CORP. (TICKER: BEL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $47.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,323.

-30- 310
#90234c0218 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 20, 1988, HOWARD DUBINETT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BIO-REFERENCE LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BRLI), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90234c0220 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 04, 1990, PAMELA GAU, SHAREHOLDER OF BIO-REFERENCE LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BRLI), BOUGHT 4,250,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,250,000.

-30- 353
#90234c0221 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 04, 1990, PAMELA GAU, SHAREHOLDER OF BIO-REFERENCE

LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BRLI), BOUGHT 1,190,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,440,000.

-30- 355
#90234c0222 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 01, 1990, KARL G KLINGES, SHAREHOLDER OF BIO-REFERENCE LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BRLI), BOUGHT 731,500 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,131,500.

-30- 360
#90234c0223 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 01, 1990, KARL G KLINGES, SHAREHOLDER OF BIO-REFERENCE LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BRLI), BOUGHT 350,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,481,500.

-30- 362
#90234c0224 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 06, 1990, SAM SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BIO-REFERENCE LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BRLI), BOUGHT 500,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 550,000.

-30- 361
#90234c0225 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 05, 1990, LEO E WHITE, OFFICER OF BIO-REFERENCE LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BRLI), BOUGHT 1,400,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,515,000.

-30- 350
#90234c0226 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, WILLIAM B CHARLES, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 4,700 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90234c0228 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, EDWIN J LYONS, PRES. OF COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CBSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90234c0229 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, EDWIN J LYONS, PRES. OF COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CBSI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,151.

-30- 332
#90234c0230 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, MARK W HARTMAN, VP OF CROWN CORK & SEAL CO. (TICKER: CCK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $60.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,184.

-30- 313
#90234c0231 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, DONALD D SLACK, DIV. OFFICER OF CHEMFIX TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CFIX), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 337
#90234c0232 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1990, RICHARD YAGODA, OFFICER OF COMPUTER HORIZONS CORP. (TICKER: CHRZ), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90234c0233 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, RICHARD YAGODA, OFFICER OF COMPUTER HORIZONS CORP.

(TICKER: CHRZ), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90234c0234 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, RICHARD YAGODA, OFFICER OF COMPUTER HORIZONS CORP. (TICKER: CHRZ), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,616.

-30- 325
#90234c0236 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, THOMAS J MARTINSON, CHAIRMAN OF CERPROBE CORP. (TICKER: CRPB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 321
#90234c0237 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PETER D BROWN, BEN. OWNER OF DATAMARINE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DMAR), BOUGHT 6,164 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90234c0238 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, PETER D BROWN, BEN. OWNER OF DATAMARINE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DMAR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 187,437.

-30- 336
#90234c0239 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, HARRY P DIADAMO JR, PRES. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,750.

-30- 310

#90234c0240 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, LAURA J DONAHUE, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,214.

-30- 305
#90234c0241 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 23, 1990, KEITH A COOK, OFFICER OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 650 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90234c0242 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DEREK A BERTOCCI, OFFICER OF DATRON SYSTEMS INC.(DEL) (TICKER: DTSI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 326
#90234c0244 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLIAM R SMART, CHAIRMAN OF ELECTRONIC ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: EA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 333
#90234c0245 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, CHARLES S HIGGINS JR, VP OF ERC ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY SERVICES CO. (TICKER: ERCE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 347
#90234c0246 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES C BARNES, VP OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC.

(TICKER: FBO), SOLD 11,500 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90234c0247 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES C BARNES, VP OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC.
(TICKER: FBO), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90234c0248 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES C BARNES, VP OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC.
(TICKER: FBO), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 14,850.

-30- 314
#90234c0249 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ANNE H LONG, VP OF FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCORP INC.
(TICKER: FCOB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 325
#90234c0250 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ANNE H LONG, VP OF FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCORP INC.
(TICKER: FCOB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 321
#90234c0252 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1990, SALVATORE GIORDANO, CHAIRMAN OF FEDDERS CORP.
(TICKER: FJQ), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90234c0253 08/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1990, SALVATORE GIORDANO, CHAIRMAN OF FEDDERS CORP. (TICKER: FJQ), SOLD 6,400 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90234c0254 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1990, SALVATORE GIORDANO, CHAIRMAN OF FEDDERS CORP. (TICKER: FJQ), SOLD 35,900 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 313
#90234c0255 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, KEVIN B MCCUSKER, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,734.

-30- 327
#90234c0256 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN C MALONEY, OFFICER OF FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FRTH), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $22.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,627.

-30- 321
#90234c0257 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JAMES H MILLIS, DIR. OF FIRST WACHOVIA CORP. (TICKER: FW), BOUGHT 577 SHARES AT $40.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,223.

-30- 310
#90234c0258 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DENNIS D MELSTROM, VP OF GEORGIA-PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: GP), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $41.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 17,001.

-30- 315
#90234c0260 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JAMES L ROSER, DIR. OF GRIFFIN TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GRIF), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,798.

-30- 318
#90234c0261 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN ED MATHISON, DIR. OF THE COLONIAL BANCGROUP INC. (TICKER: CLBG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,479.

-30- 329
#90234c0262 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WALTER F OAKLEY, VP OF THE COLONIAL BANCGROUP INC. (TICKER: CLBG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 316
#90234c0263 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, DONALD RAY ARDEMAGNI, VP OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,073.

-30- 321
#90234c0264 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HORST DZIURA, VP OF HILTON HOTELS CORP. (TICKER: HLT), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $39.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 263

#90234c0265 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HORST DZIURA, VP OF HILTON HOTELS CORP. (TICKER: HLT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $39.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,200.

-30- 300
#90234c0266 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RICHARD R HINKEL, OFFICER OF HOMESTAKE MINING CO. (TICKER: HM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90234c0268 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, CARL BUCCELLATO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HOMG), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90234c0269 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, CARL BUCCELLATO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HOMG), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90234c0270 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, CARL BUCCELLATO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HOMG), SOLD 8,899 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90234c0271 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, CARL BUCCELLATO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HOMG), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,697.

-30- 345
#90234c0272 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, MELVIN STEWART, CHAIRMAN OF HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HOMG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 319,274.

-30- 330
#90234c0273 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ASCOM HOLDING LTD, BEN. OWNER OF IDENTIX INC. (TICKER: IDXX), BOUGHT 1,045,730 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,797,505.

-30- 343
#90234c0274 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1988, RAYMOND O MITHUN, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL DAIRY QUEEN INC. (TICKER: INDQ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90234c0276 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, PETER V UEBERROTH, DIR. OF THE COCA-COLA CO. (TICKER: KO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $44.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 310
#90234c0277 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, PETER V UEBERROTH, DIR. OF THE COCA-COLA CO. (TICKER: KO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $44.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 313
#90234c0278 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 29, 1989, WILLIAM C CROFT, DIR. OF METHODE ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: METH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,080.

-30- 338
#90234c0279 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT S KAUFMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARKET FACTS INC. (TICKER: MFAC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,918.

-30- 332
#90234c0280 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, WILLIAM F PICKARD, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,270.

-30- 318
#90234c0281 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, DAVID M NEUER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 550 SHARES AT $86.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,516.

-30- 288
#90234c0282 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, LORNE M AMES, DIV. OFFICER OF INCO LTD. (TICKER: N), SOLD 1,813 SHARES AT $35.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,385.

-30- 300
#90234c0284 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 24, 1990, GEORGE S JOHNSTON, CHAIRMAN OF SCUDDER NEW EUROPE FD INC. (TICKER: NEF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 338
#90234c0285 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, PHILIP H KNIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NIKE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90234c0286 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, PHILIP H KNIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NIKE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $90.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90234c0287 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, PHILIP H KNIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NIKE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90234c0288 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, PHILIP H KNIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NIKE), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $90.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90234c0289 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, PHILIP H KNIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NIKE), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $90.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90234c0290 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, PHILIP H KNIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NIKE), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $90.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90234c0292 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, PHILIP H KNIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NIKE), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $91.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90234c0293 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, PHILIP H KNIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NIKE), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $91.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,799.

-30- 304
#90234c0294 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, THOMAS H OBRIEN, CHAIRMAN OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,399.

-30- 323
#90234c0295 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, RAYMOND D HAND, BEN. OWNER OF PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PSIX), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,000.

-30- 349
#90234c0296 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DONALD E GUINN, DIR. OF PYRAMID TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PYRD), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 324
#90234c0297 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, BENJAMIN RUSSELL, DIR. OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90234c0298 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, BENJAMIN RUSSELL, DIR. OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,596,916.

-30- 303
#90234c0300 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLIAM T MCCORMICK JR, DIR. OF SCHLUMBERGER LTD. N.V. (TICKER: SLB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $65.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 328
#90234c0301 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, JOSEPH J MCDOWELL, CHAIRMAN OF SOLITEC INC. (TICKER: SOLI), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $1.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 312
#90234c0302 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN K DARRAGH, PRES. OF STANDARD REGISTER CO. (TICKER: SREG), SOLD 4,206 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,306.

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#90234c0303 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, KARL D GERHART, VP OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 312
#90234c0304 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1987, JAMES E DOUBLES, OFFICER OF TSI INC. (TICKER: TSII), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 291
#90234c0305 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 11, 1987, JAMES E DOUBLES, OFFICER OF TSI INC. (TICKER: TSII), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90234c0306 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 24, 1988, JAMES E DOUBLES, OFFICER OF TSI INC. (TICKER: TSII), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90234c0308 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, TJ DERMOT DUNPHY, DIR. OF UJB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UJB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

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#90234c0309 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, TJ DERMOT DUNPHY, DIR. OF UJB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UJB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,407.

-30- 314
#90234c0310 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1989, ROBERT L CAMPBELL, VP OF VONS COMPANIES INC.

(TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 315
#90234c0311 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN A SPENCER, VP OF WEBB (DEL) CORP. (TICKER: WBB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,450.

-30- 304
#90234c0312 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES R LAJOIE, VP OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), SOLD 520 SHARES AT $19.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,230.

-30- 283
#90234c0313 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY MEZZANINE LENDING ASSOC II L P OWNS 1,860,282 SHARES (7.80%) OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL CORP (TICKER: D.IWA) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

MLA II, MLA III and VEA I received an additional 279,339, 130,958 and 18,735 shares of common stock, respectively, as a result of Prospect's distribution on Aug. 20, 1990 to its shareholders of .15 share of common stock for each share of Prospect common stock held of record on Aug. 2, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Investment

-30- 683
#90234c0314 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY BRANDY ENTERPRISES LTD OWNS 253,000 SHARES (6.70%) OF R-MED INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: RMED) OF INDUSTRY, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION: As of June 29, 1990, Brandy Enterprises LTD had purchased an aggregate of 253,000 shares for $104,475.00

PURPOSE:

Investment

-30- 487
#90234c0316 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY SUNSHINE MINING COMPANY OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 286,500 SHARES (4.80%) OF ATLAS CORP (TICKER: AZ) OF PRINCETON, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Based on the number of shares of common stock issued and outstanding as contained in Atlas Corp.'s quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 1990, Sunshine Mining Co., as of Aug. 17, 1990, have ceased to be the beneficial owners of more than five percent (5.0) of Atlas Corp.'s issued and outstanding common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Sunshine Mining Co. sold 13,500 shares from Aug. 17-20, 1990 for $13.63 to $13.94 per share.

PURPOSE:

Decrease in beneficially-owned shares.

-30- 855
#90234c0317 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 20, 1990, Grace announced an agreement in principle to transfer the operations of Del Taco Restaurants Inc.(TICKER: DETA) to an affiliate of Taco Tico Inc. The transfer is expected to take place following the acquisition by Grace-Conn of Del Taco Restaurants Inc.'s publicly held shares for $3.25 in cash, which acquisition is subject to various conditions including approval by Del Taco Restaurant Inc.'s board; and that Del Taco Restaurants Inc. has entered into a management services agreement with Taco Tico under which Taco Tico will manage Del Taco Restaurants Inc.'s business pending completion of the above transactions; and that various Taco Tico representatives have been elected officers of Del Taco Restaurants Inc.

PURPOSE:

An agreement in principle to transfer operations.

-30- 1024
#90234c0318 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY ALLEN HOLDING INC OWNS 1,136,380 SHARES (55.50%) OF WESTERN STAR INC (TICKER: WTAR) OF OSWEGO, OR.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The 100,000 shares reported in amendment no. 3 as having been sold was an incorrect statement; no such shares were sold.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 26, 1990 and July 16, 1990, Allen Holding Inc. sold 21,600 shares at a price of $4.25 to $5.63 per share.

-30- 601
#90234c0319 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

SUMMIT PROPERTIES OWNS 210,000 SHARES (.672%) OF SUMMIT HEALTH LTD (TICKER: SUMH) OF BURBANK, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The shares were purchased for $351,750.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 391
#90234c0320 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

GIANT GROUP LTD OF HARLEYVILLE, SC OWNS 3,047,089 SHARES (45.19%) OF RALLYS INC (TICKER: RLLY) OF LOUISVILLE, KY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 1 and 17, 1990, Giant Group purchased 77,500 shares at a price of $14.25 to $16 per share.

-30- 430
#90234c0321 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. H. Whitney Wagner and Mr. Richard Projain resigned from the board on March 27 and 28, 1990, respectively. Mr. Clarence A. McGowan was elected to the board in April 1990. On July 2, 1990, Messrs. Thomas V. Jahl and Willem F.P. de Vogel, TCR senior officers, were elected to the board. Mr. John Arleth, CEO Interfund Corp., resigned from the board effective July 10, 1990. Board actions of Interfund Corp. during the month of July resulted in these managerial changes: Mr. Arleth was relieved of his responsibilities as Interfund Corp.'s (TICKER: IFND) CEO; an executive committee consisting of Messrs. Jahl and McGowan, was created to act as the CEO of Interfund Corp. pending Mr. Arleth's replacement; and an audit committee was appointed consisting of Messrs. Donald Hood, James Twaddell and John Gillin to have general supervisory authority for Interfund Corp.'s financial statements and regulatory reporting requirements. Mr.

McGowan was elected as secretary of Interfund Corp. replacing Mr. James R. Tanenbaum, who resigned effective June 29, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Board of director and managerial changes.

-30- 1346
#90234c0322 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GROUP LED BY D.C. WALENTAS OWNS 336,100 SHARES (6.86%) OF BUILDERS TRANSPORT INC (TICKER: TRUK) OF CAMDEN, SC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 17, 1990, the Independent Stockholders' Committee of Builders Transport, Inc., filed definitive proxy materials with the SEC.

PURPOSE:

Definitive proxy materials.

-30- 510
#90234c0324 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 17

GROUP LED BY GABELLI GROUP INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 408,500 SHARES (20.37%) OF HOPPER SOLIDAY CORP.(TICKER: HS) OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 27, 1990 and Aug. 20, 1990, Gabelli Group Inc. purchased 4,000 shares at a price of $2.88 to $3.25 per share and sold 25,000 shares at a price of $2.28 to $3 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 582
#90234c0325 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

DYSON KISSNER MORAN CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,354,500 SHARES (30.20%) OF VARLEN CORP (TICKER: VRLN) OF NAPERVILLE, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Persons related to DKM hold an additional 397,643 shares, representing 8.8 percent.

PURPOSE:

To own a substantial portion of Varlen Corp.'s capital stock.

-30- 508
#90234c0326 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 20, 1990, AFC received and accepted 126,964 shares pursuant to the tender offer and another 336,334 shares from the selling stockholders pursuant to the stock purchase agreement, giving AFC a total of 97.76 percent of Cimarron Investment Co. Inc.'s (TICKER: CINV) common stock. AFC then effected a short form merger.

-30- 546
#90234c0327 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY JOHN DEERE INSURANCE CO OWNS 1,533,150 SHARES (21.20%) OF RE CAPITAL CORP (TICKER: RCC) OF STAMFORD, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

John Deere Insurance Co. have tentatively agreed to purchase 389,000 shares for $14.75 on Aug. 22, 1990 and another 134,000 shares within 120 days for $15 per share, both pursuant to privately negotiated transactions.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 598
#90234c0328 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In an Aug. 21 press release, T&N and J.P. Ind. Inc.(TICKER: JPI) stated that the tender offer has expired, with 10,809,302 shares tendered and accepted, giving T&N 99.5 percent of J.P. Ind. Inc.'s common shares.

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#90234c0329 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

M. RADOMSKY OWNS 837,500 SHARES (8.50%) OF MICROFRAME INC (TICKER: MIFI) OF EDISON, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On April 26, 1990, David Gould exercised his option to purchase 245,833 shares from M. Radomsky and Robert Groll exercised his option to purchase 4,167 shares from M. Radomsky, all for $.01 per share, pursuant to an option agreement dated Jan. 27, 1986. Groll also exercised another option to purchase 12,500 shares from M. Radomsky for $.01 per share pursuant to an option agreement dated Aug. 15, 1987.

-30- 713
#90234c0330 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

D. GOULD OWNS 1,387,500 SHARES (14.10%) OF MICROFRAME INC (TICKER: MIFIC) OF EDISON, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On April 26, 1990, Gould exercised options to purchase 245,833 shares from each of Stephen Deixler, William H. Whitney and Michael Radomsky for $.01 per share pursuant to option agreements dated Jan. 27, 1986. Robert Groll also exercised an option to purchase 4,167 shares from each of the same individuals under options to purchase shares assigned by Gould to Groll on Aug. 15, 1987.

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#90234c0332 08/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION GROUP PLC OWNS 1,694,194 SHARES (8.30%) OF KOREA FUND INC (TICKER: KF) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Henderson Administration Group PLC purchased 500 shares on June 1, 1990 for $24 per share and sold 50,883 shares from June 7 to Aug. 7, 1990 for $18.41 to $23.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 582
#90234d0000 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) - Kuwaitis have kept up hit-and-run attacks against Iraqi troops in occupied-Kuwait, including a reported rocket attack on the former Iraqi Embassy there, The Washington Post said Wednesday.

In an undated, unsigned "eyewitness account" of recent events inside Kuwait, the newspaper said there indications of low morale among the Iraqi

troops, who appeared to be suffering from shortages of food and water.

Kuwaiti sources reported incidents of fighting between some Iraqi groups, according to the account.

Several sources told the newspaper that between 150 and 200 Iraqi soldiers were brought into Adan hospital Friday, casualties of a fight between two groups of Iraqi soldies in the south. The report could not be independently confirmed, the newspaper said.

The eyewitness account also said that Iraqi security forces were making their presence felt. Plainclothes police reportedly arrested some of the Westerners who have been picked up off the streets and diplomats reported seeing prisoners -- blindfolded and unable to walk on their own -- at the Iraqi Embassy last week, the newspaper said.

Westerners who were caught in Kuwait by the August 2 Iraqi invasion were hiding in their homes and apartments to avoid arrest, the report said.

U.S. nationals, many of whom had put their possessions in storage and stockpiled enough food to last weeks, were maintaining contact with the U.S. Embassy through a system of messengers, the account said.

Escape routes through the desert have become increasingly dangerous as Iraqi forces have moved to close them down, said the account, which made note of unconfirmed reports that soldiers had begun mining desert roads and arresting fleeing civilians.

But the mood among Kuwaitis remained defiant, the account said.

Iraqi officials admitted to Western diplomats that their embassy in Kuwait City, which has been transformed into the political headquarters of the occupation authorities, had been hit been hit in a rocket attack.

The sounds of nighttime firefights and burning vehicles offered evidence of attacks by Kuwaitis on small units of Iraqi troops, the account said.

However, daily anti-Iraqi demonstrations by women in certain Kuwait City neighborhoods have halted since August 10, the account said. In one of the last demonstrations, four people -- three women and a man-- were killed and 15 others were wounded when Iraqi troops opened fire, several sources said.

Meanwhile, Kuwaiti sources were reported to have confirmed that all 10 people named to a temporary Kuwaiti interim government formed before Iraq annexed Kuwait August 9 were Kuwaitis who were captured or wounded during the invasion. Six of them were believed to be alive and in Iraqi custody, the report said.

-30- 2996
#90234d0060 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ON BOARD THE CLEMENCEAU, DJIBOUTI (AUG. 22) - The French aircraft carrier Clemenceau arrived in the Red Sea port of Djibouti Wednesday on its way to the Gulf, an AFP correspondent reported.

Its 42 Gazelle and Puma combat helicopters flew ashore after the ship dropped anchor.

Two escort ships, the supply vessel Var and the cruiser Colbert, also arrived Wednesday.

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#90234d0180 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (AUG. 22) - The branch of Iraq's state-owned Rafidain Bank in Bahrain has been put under the control of a trustee, bank officers confirmed Wednesday.

According to the Gulf Daily News in Manama, the Bahrain Monetary Agency took the step at the request of the branch management.

It was not known Wednesday if other Gulf emirates had put Rafidain branches or other banks into trusteeship.

Meanwhile, the Bank of Bahrain and Kuwait announced it was willing to accept Kuwaiti dinars in payment at their old value up to a limit of 50 per day per person. The currency has become practically worthless on foreign exchanges since the August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The dinar was valued at $33.44 before the invasion. The bank's decision follows that of other financial institutions, led by banks in which Kuwaitis have holdings.

-30- 1006
#90234d0230 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (AUG. 22) - The Asian Development Bank (ADB) is still withholding normal lending to China despite the approval of a fresh technical assistance grant, a spokesman said here Wednesday.

An ADB announcement on Tuesday that it had appoved a 597,000-dollar grant to China triggered speculation that normal lending had resumed 14 months after the massacre of pro-democracy demonstrators led to Beijing's diplomatic and financial isolation.

"The technical assistance recently approved does not represent a renewal of lending," ADB spokesman George Liu told Agence France-Presse.

He stressed that the Manila-based bank "has never stoped its operations in China" even after the Tiananmen square massacre, with ADB missions visiting the country and previously approved loans being released.

But all new loan applications after the massacre have not been presented to the bank's board of directors, Mr. Liu said.

"These proposals will be presented to the board of directors, who represent the bank's shareholders, when the board of directors is prepared to consider them," he said without going into detail.

The ADB's main shareholders are Japan and the United States. Western European countries also contribute heavily to the ADB, which admitted China in 1986 despite stiff opposition from Taiwan, a founding member. The "two Chinas"

remain members of the ADB.

The ADB said Tuesday that it had approved a 597,000-dollar grant to China for a program to develop economic planning in the southwest provinces of Guizhou, Guangxi and Yunnan.

The grant approval followed a visit to Beijing by ADB Vice President In Yong Chung, who met with Vice Premier Yao Yilin. The Chinese official asked the ADB to resume normal cooperation.

Japan decided to resume its own economic aid to China in July, but the United States and the European Community have maintained sanctions imposed after the Tiananmen massacre.

The World Bank took the lead in resuming humanitarian aid to China in August 1989.

-30- 2212

#90234d0330 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOMBAY, INDIA (AUG. 22) - The joke among Bombay bankers is that the Gulf crisis has suddenly presented a temporary solution to India's foreign reserves crunch.

Panic-stricken Indians working in the Gulf have been remitting millions of dollars to the country in the three weeks following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

No official figures are available, but rough estimates say the tally so far

could be in the region of one billion dollars. Banks in Bombay have doubled and tripled their staff dealing with foreign remittances to meet the daily deluge.

"It is raining dollars in Bombay," one banker said Tuesday.

There are more than a million Indians working all over the Gulf. They have been remitting on an average some 3.5 billion dollars to the country annually in the past few years.

In addition, the Indians working in the Gulf also hold another 3.5 billion in dollar deposits in Indian banks under variuos government schemes.

Considering that India's total foreign exchange reserves at the end of July stood at a meagre 2.9 billion dollars, the money remitted by Indians in the Gulf plays a significant role in keeping the country's economy afloat.

The precarious equilibrium between foreign exchange expenditure and income which the Indian government has been able to maintain in the last few years however is under imminent threat of collapse if the Kuwait crisis drags on.

Prime Minister V.P. Singh has admitted that the country was likely to face great hardships because of the Gulf crisis and that people would have to be ready for it.

For India, the major impact is going to be on the oil import front. India imported about 18 million tonnes of crude last year, coughing up 3.8 billion dollars.

In an effort to keep this year's import bill down at the same level, the government two months ago introduced a series of austerity measures to curb the use of petrol in the country, but that is going to be of little help now.

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#90234d0410 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 22) - A major Saudi Arabian oil refining and marketing company is to suspend supply of petroleum products to Japan from September, oil industry sources said Wednesday.

The state-run oil corporation Samarec is to halt shipments of gasoline and jet fuel in order to supply U.S. troops deployed in Saudi Arabia since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, the sources said.

The sources said the move would have a significant impact on Japan. About 40 per cent of Japan's diesel fuel and 13 per cent of its jet fuel came from Saudi Arabia in the first half of 1990.

Japan's Natural Resources and Energy Agency has already decided to allow domestic oil firms to use private-sector oil stockpiles to expand domestic petroleum output, government sources said.

The agency has requested local oil companies to upgrade their production of oil products to cover the supply shortage, following the ban on oil imports from Iraq and Kuwait.

Kuwait supplies 14.2 per cent of Japan's oil products.

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#90234d0540 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (AUG. 22) - South Korea registered a real 9.9 percent economic growth rate in the first half of 1990, the Bank of Korea reported here Wednesday.

The rate far surpassed the 6.8 percent economic rise in the same period of 1989, the report noted.

The highest growth rates in the first six months this year were in the construction sector (25 percent), services (9.4 percent) and manufacturing (9.0 percent).

The Bank of Korea report said that if inflation can be curbed, then the country's economic growth rate for all of 1990 should range between 8 and 9 per cent.

Officially, South Korean inflation is currently running at almost 8 per cent, but unofficial estimates says the rate is at least 10 percent. dpa ds 221211 aug 90

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#90234d0570 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAARBRUECKEN (AUG. 22) - The West German department store group Asko said here Wednesday that Kuwaiti businessman Youssif Suleiman Al-Sabah had withdrawn his candidacy for a supervisory board post.

The announcement came a day after a ten percent Asko share package worth a nominal 16.65 million Deutschmarks (10.6 million dollars) was sold to the Westdeutsche Landesbank and not, as originally foreseen, to Kuwaiti business interests.

Asko said Suleiman Al-Sabah cited the Gulf political crisis as the reason that he was withdrawing his candidacy. The German company said it regretted the development, but understood his decision.

-30- 822
#90234d0760 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (AUG. 22) - The Israeli labor market, taken by surprise by the strong influx of Soviet immigrants this year, so far has been able to provide jobs for only about two-thirds of the new arrivals, according to official data reported here Wednesday.

More than 70,000 Soviets had arrived in Israel through the first seven months of this year. Although around 85 per cent of these had academic credentials, most who had found jobs were doing menial labor, the Jerusalem Post reported.

With the rising number of job-seekers, Israeli unemployment has risen to 165,000 persons for a rate of 10.4 per cent.

-30- 810
#90234d0840 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 22) - Some 180 French paratroopers are to fly to the United Arab Emirates, military sources said Wednesday after French President Francois Mitterrand announced that the first ground troops would leave for the Gulf.

While the number of troops involved appears only symbolic, observers said their dispatch to the UAE signals a toughening of Mr. Mitterrand's stance and his alignment with the position adopted by the United States which already has troops there and in Saudi Arabia.

France had until now restricted its military response to the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait to a mainly naval presence, and has declined to join a U.S.-led multinational force, keeping its warships under French command.

Paris hosted a meeting of the Western European Union Tuesday which decided to coordinate the naval forces of several European countries in a joint task force in the Gulf.

Mr. Mitterrand did not give details on the number of troops he planned to send to the Gulf during a news conference here Tuesday after an emergency cabinet session in which he spoke of the mounting "logic of war" in the current crisis.

He said he had "decided to respond positively" to requests for men and equipment to be sent to "different countries of the region", notably the UAE and Saudi Arabia.

He said a "reconnaissance squadron" would go to the UAE and an unspecified

number of military instructors would be sent as reinforcements to Saudi Arabia.

Taking a strong stand against Iraq, which until earlier this year had been supplied with French weaponry, he called for the enforcement of the U.N. trade embargo against Baghdad on the ground that "an embargo without sanctions is a mockery".

Paris was the last of the three main western allies in the Gulf to join Britain and the United States by ordering its ships only on Sunday to use force if necessary to impose the embargo.

According to the French daily Liberation, Mr. Mitterrand upbraided French Defence Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement at Tuesday's cabinet meeting for foot-dragging on the Gulf. The paper said that the minister had notably criticised the way the crisis was being handled by Washington.

The Gulf was to be discussed further at a cabinet meeting on Wednesday, during which Mr. Chevenement was to present a scheme for an overhaul of the French armed forces.

The military sources said that the paratroopers of a reconnaissance squadron would leave their base in Tarbes, southwestern France, in the next 48 hours equipped with 12 anti-tank armoured vehicles.

But the sources did not give details on the number of instructors going to Saudi Arabia.

France currently has 3,460 men on nine warships between the Red Sea and the Gulf, led by the aircraft Clemenceau equipped with 40 combat helicopters.

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#90234d0890 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, Aug 22 (AFP) - Iraq's detention of British hostages will not deter British forces from acting to contain President Saddam Hussein's aggression in the Gulf, British Defence Secretary Tom King said here Wednesday.

"We have to take a decision in the interests of ending aggression," Mr. King said. "We can't take hostages into account in this situation or we run the risk that more hostages will be taken."

Speaking on BBC television, Mr. King expressed great concern for the British hostages in Iraq and Kuwait and for their families in Britain.

But he made a clear distinction between the strategic means of forcing Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait and the plight of the hostages, saying "We have to

deal,

as a completely separate matter, with the obscenity of Iraq's behavior over the hostages."

Mr. King refused to be drawn on whether Britain was planning to send troop reinforcements to the Gulf amid speculation that the government could announce measures to that effect within the next 48 hours.

Separately, Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd reiterated Britain's stand against negotiating with Iraq over the hostages but repeated his belief that armed conflict in the Gulf was not yet inevitable.

"I do not believe that it is inevitable. I believe the peace option is a promising one, provided we continue with our shoulder to the wheel," Mr. Hurd said.

"We want the economic sanctions to bring an end to aggression, but if western hostages were harmed the situation would have to be reviewed," Mr. Hurd added.

There was still no formal reaction from London to Baghdad's offer Tuesday to hold talks with the United States.

But a Foreign Office spokesman said: "Our position is clear. The first step must be for Iraq to show readiness to abide by the Security Council resolutions. So far we haven't had any evidence that they will."

-30- 2080

#90234d1010 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (AUG. 22) - Nationals of Italy and six other West European nations living in Kuwait have been promised they will be allowed to leave, according to Italian television reports Wednesday, quoting Rome Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti.

Danish Foreign Minister Uffe Ellemann-Jensen confirmed that the 83 Danish nationals in Kuwait were among those promised an exit by way of Baghdad, but cautioned on Danish radio that this should not be seen as any guarantee.

''I would warn against placing too great a trust in Iraqi promises after all these changes of mind,'' he said. The offer seemed like an attempt to split the West. The minister said the West should remain uncompromising in its treatment of Baghdad.

The Italian foreign ministry said it had been informally told by the Iraqis in Kuwait that Dutch, Belgians, Spaniards, Greeks and Irish would also be

allowed to leave. Iraqi officials had said they could leave because they came from ''not-hostile'' countries.

Italian diplomats said it had no idea what would happen to westerners resident in Iraq.

It was not clear how the Iraqis defined ''not-hostile''. Italy has already sent ships to the eastern Mediterranean with the express instruction to stand by to go to the Gulf if needed for U.N. or North Atlantic Treaty combined operations.

Meanwhile British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said it was a ''scandal'' that 10 Britons had been picked up from their homes in Kuwait by Iraqi soldiers.

-30- 1672

#90234d1020 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 22) - Israeli government leaders decided Wednesday to delay the distribution of protective equipment to the public despite the threat of a chemical warfare strike from Iraq.

The kits, which are stored in depots around the country, include gas masks and personal innoculation devices to be used in the case of a poison gas attack.

A 12-member ministerial defence committee headed by Itzhak Shamir heard assesments by senior army officers and then decided to set up a subcommittee to decide the issue.

Foreign Minister David Levy called Sunday for the immediate distribution of the masks to Israel's 4.5 million population despite the opposition of Defence Minister Moshe Arens.

Levy's position was based on his claim that quick distribution in times of emergency could not be guaranteed, and it was the the first public split in the-wing government over the Gulf crisis.

Arens, backed by senior army officers, said the move could raise tensions in the area by giving the appearance that Israel was preparing a pre-emptive strike.

The decision not to distribute gas masks coincided with the publication of a poll in the Hadashot tabloid which indicated decreasing public concern over the threat of an attack.

The number of people calling for distribution of gas masks dropped from 62.4 percent to 48 percent compared to a poll conducted by the paper on

August 13.

The number of people who said they trusted the government to take the best policy in connection with the Gulf crisis was 78 percent. Only 9 percent said they had no confidence in the government.

The Norwegian embasy in Tel Aviv said meanwhile that it had ordered protective equipment for its staff from Oslo.

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#90234d1100 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (AUG. 22) - The Italian government is counting Iraqis currently in Italy but denies it is considering reprisals after Baghdad's refusal to allow citizens of some Western countries to leave Iraq and Kuwait, the Italian foreign ministry said Wednesday.

The ministry justified the Iraqi headcount by saying it might be necessary to protect Iraqis in Italy if the crisis in the Gulf gets worse.

"Italy is not thinking in terms of concentration camps," ministry spokesman Vittorio Surdo said.

According to the ministry, there are 1,875 Iraqis in Italy, 90 per cent of whom have visas and are in the country as tourists, students or for religious purposes.

The figure includes 100 or so Iraqi soldiers aboard two corvettes anchored in the La Spezzia harbour. The two vessels are among the 10 warships ordered from Italy by Iraq and whose delivery was suspended after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

No official confirmation has yet been received of an Iraqi offer to free Italians and citizens of six other EEC countries trapped in Kuwait.

The foreign ministry said it was waiting for Baghdad to confirm a verbal offer the Iraqi army commander in Kuwait made to Italy's ambassador in Kuwait City.

The envoy, Marco Colombo, said Iraq had also offered to release Irish, Spanish, Belgian, Danish, Greek and Dutch citizens, a total of about 650 people.

They would travel through Iraq to Turkey or Jordan. However, no date for their departure was given.

The offer was not extended to Britain, France, West Germany and Luxembourg,

the other European Economic Community countries with citizens being held in Kuwait.

An Italian diplomatic source said Wednesday: "If the Baghdad decision is confirmed, it could have serious repercussions in the Western camp which until now has been very united."

The Italian press said President Francesco Cossiga broke the news on Tuesday evening to Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti who later announced: "I've got good news. The Italians in Kuwait are going to be freed."

There are about 150 Italians in Kuwait but none of them are believed to have been rounded up as Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Iraq has threatened.

Reports suggest there are 21 Belgians, 83 Danes, 106 Spaniards, 50 Irish, 83 Dutch and 150 Greek nationals in Kuwait.

Italy decided on August 14 to send warships to the eastern Mediterranean to replace U.S. vessels that had left for the Gulf.

Meanwhile, in Brussels Wednesday, the Belgian foreign ministry said that Iraqi authorities had denied that Belgian nationals had been authorised to leave Kuwait.

Iraqi "military authorities" in Kuwait had told the Belgian ambassador in Kuwait on Tuesday that the 21 Belgians in the emirate could leave, but the permission was officially "denied" on Wednesday by Baghdad, the ministry said.

A ministry spokesman did not say whether the new move would apply to Italy, Ireland, Spain, Denmark, Greece and the Netherlands as well.

Belgians in Kuwait "have not been rounded up," the spokesman added, saying only that they had been denied permission to leave.

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#90234d1180 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 22) - Pakistan's interim government is seriously considering sending ships to join the multinational naval force in the Gulf, but it is awaiting a formal request, official sources said Wednesday.

"No formal request has so far been received in this respect and therefore no decision has been taken," said a Pakistani official who declined to be identified.

Pakistan, which decided on August 13 to send troops to Saudi Arabia, could dispatch some ships and even airplanes, according to several diplomatic

sources in the Pakistani capital.

Kuwait's ambassador to Islamabad, Qasim Omar Al-Yagout, said Wednesday the issue was raised during the recent trip to Pakistan by Kuwait's Petroleum Minister Rachid Salim al-Amiri, special envoy of the exiled Emir of Kuwait Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah.

"Like everywhere, we have asked (for) a strict enforcement of the embargo" imposed by the United Nations, Mr. al-Yagout said.

Meanwhile preparations continued Wednesday in Pakistan for sending some 5,000 soldiers to Saudi Arabia, military sources said.

A Pakistani military delegation was sent to Riyadh to discuss ways Islamabad can help assure "the defense of Saudi Arabia" in the coming days the sources said.

At least a thousand Pakistani military personnel, primarily technicians and instructors, are already in Saudi Arabia, press reports in Pakistan said.

Pakistan is the only direct ally of the United States in South Asia. The extreme southwest of the country lies at the Gulf of Oman.

Islamabad announced Tuesday that it would send an official delegation to several Middle East countries to facilitate the evacuation of about 90,000 Pakistanis still trapped in Kuwait.

Another delegation was to go to Saudi Arabia, Qatar, and the United Arab Emirates to reach new agreements to assure supplies of oil until June 1991.

Pakistan is already feeling the effects of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, which furnished 45 percent of Pakistan's oil imports.

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#90234d1190 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 22) - Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov has issued a decree ordering Soviet institutions to comply with the U.N. Security Council's economic embargo against Iraq, the Tass news agency said Wednesday.

The decree stipulated that "ministries and institutions having economic and commercial relations, involving credit and finance, with Iraq and Kuwait must take measures to carry out the provisions" of the Security Council resolution.

Soviet trade with Iraq mushroomed following a 1972 treaty of cooperation which made Moscow Iraq's main arms supplier.

The decree also instructed ministries and firms to "work out measures to minimize the costs to the country" caused by the embargo and to keep in touch with the Foreign Ministry for further developments.

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#90234d1200 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 22) - Typhoon Zola, the 14th of this season, roared through western Japan on Wednesday, killing at least three people and paralyzing air, land and sea transportation.

Packing maximum winds of 108 kilometers per hour (67 mph), the typhoon landed at Hiroshima early in the day and swept through the country to the Sea of Japan, the Meteorological Agency said.

Three people were killed and 17 injured as the typhoon destroyed or flooded 183 houses, triggered five landslides and damaged 12 roads, police said.

Domestic airlines said they canceled 238 flights, affecting some 27,000 passengers. Railway and ferry services were also affected.

Zola was moving northward at a speed of 40 kilometers per hour (25 mph) Wednesday evening, meteorologists said.

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#90234d1220 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAMAKO (AUG. 22) - Mali's ruling and only legal party is to take a second look at the possibility of political pluralism when its national council, which rejected the idea in June, holds a special session here on Thursday.

There have been widespread calls for a multi-party system since President Moussa Traore, who took power in a military coup in 1968, got the Democratic Union of the Mali People (UDPM) to organise conferences on democracy throughout the country .

Although Mali has been a one-party state since independence in l960, civil servants and UDPM militants were among the first to urge a change.

The private national press represented by the Les Echos, Aurore and La Roue newspapers took up the call with an intense campaign for multi-party politics. Support came from the national labour body grouping all the trade unions, and from the bar council comprising more than l20 lawyers.

The latest appeal, which criticised the 100-member council's previous refusal as anti-democratic, came in an open letter to General Traore signed by 175 leading professional figures.

The special party meeting comes against a background of violence in the largely desert north from Gao to Timbuktu since the end of June, with clashes between security forces and armed Tuareg nomads. Independent sources estimate that 300 people have been killed altogether on both sides.

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#90234d1240 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Jeddah (AUG. 22) - The Kuwaiti ruler and crown prince escaped a heavily armed Iraqi commando that landed on the palace grounds in 20 helicopters by fleeing in a Mercedes car to Saudi Arabia, an Arab magazine reported.

The dramatic escape in the early hours of August 2 was described in a report by the London-based Arab weekly magazine Al-Majallah, which appeared Wednesday in the Arab News here, a sister publication. The magazine said the story was based on ''reliable and responsible sources''.

The magazine said that during the night of the Iraqi invasion, Emir Jaber al-Ahmed as-Sabah and Crown Prince Saad al-Abdullah as-Sabah were in the emir's Dasman Palace, where the emir wanted to discuss the negotiations the crown prince had just held with Iraq in the Saudi city of Jeddah.

Shortly after news of the invasion broke, 20 Iraqi helicopters landed nearby and Iraqi ships surrounded the northeastern part of the city, a tongue of land extending into the sea.

Within minutes, the emir and crown prince leaped into a fast Mercedes. A captain in the Kuwaiti armed forces drove them at full speed towards the Saudi border 75 kilometres to the south. No bodyguards accompanied them.

Meanwhile, according to Al-Majallah, the Iraqi commando rushed through the palace in search of the emir. When they finally realised they had come too late, they tried their luck in the nearby palace of the crown prince - also in vain.

Kuwaiti resistance was light. The palace guard, which had been taken by surprise, shot a few Iraqis and was quickly overpowered. The report said the Kuwaiti dead included several members of the Sabah family.

When the Kuwaiti ruler reached the Saudi checkpoint Al-Khafji, the crown prince returned to Kuwait to organise the resistance, the magazine said. He remained several hours, gave instructions over Radio Kuwait and informed the population that the emir was safe.

The crown prince was determined to lead the resistance in his homeland, the magazine said, but deferred to the emir's wishes and returned to Saudi Arabia. During the next few days other members of the Kuwaiti government

also arrived.

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#90234d1280 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 22) - About 15 Kuwaiti Mirage F-1 interceptors are in Saudi Arabia along with other fighter planes having managed to avoid capture by Iraqi forces during the invasion of Kuwait, the Kuwaiti ambassador to France, Tareq Razzuki, said Wednesday.

French President Francois Mitterrand had hinted at such a development Tuesday when he told a news conference that France would continue to supply parts to Kuwaiti forces with French-built planes, including Mirage F-1 "which have been able to escape the penetration by the Iraqi aggression".

But he did not elaborate.

France delivered some 25 Mirage F-1 aircraft to Kuwait under an accord dating from 1976.

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#90234d1330 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (AUG. 22) - A Petya Class Indian warship with a crew of 132 sank off southern India during an exercise and 14 naval personnel are missing, a defence ministry spokesman said Wednesday.

The INS Andaman sank late Tuesday some 150 nautical miles off the coast of Vishakhapatnam, a major naval station, in rough weather following heavy rains, the spokesman here said.

The Soviet-built ship, with a displacement of 950 tonnes, went down in the Bay of Bengal with its 76 millimeter guns, anti-submarine weapons and torpedos.

The spokesman said rescue ships were Wednesday looking for the missing, including three officers. The 118 other crew members were picked up by nearby naval vessels.

No further details were immediately available.

Vishkhapatnam is in Andhra Pradesh, which along with neighbouring Karnataka state has been hit by monsoon floods that have left some 50 people dead.

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#90234d1380 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 22) - Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Belonogov met

the U.S. Ambassador here Wednesday to give him a message for U.S. Secretary of State James Baker from his Soviet counterpart Eduard Shevardnadze.

Tass said the message given to Ambassador James Matlock deals with "questions related to the situation in the Gulf."

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#90234d1430 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANCHESTER, ENGLAND (AUG. 22) - Twenty-nine people were injured here Wednesday when two commuter trains collided just outside Manchester's Hyde North station, a transport police spokesman said.

The spokesman had no further details on the injuries but said all of those hurt in the collision had been taken to a local hospital. None of the injuries were thought to be serious.

There was no immediate word on how the accident occurred and a British Rail investigation had been opened.

The crash appeared to have been a "side collision" and not a head-on, a British Rail spokesman said.

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#90234d1470 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 22) - Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu vowed Wednesday not to send Japanese troops to the Middle East, an official said.

Deputy Chief Cabinet Secretary Tadamori Oshima quoted Mr. Kaifu as telling Japan Socialist Party chairwoman Takako Doi that Japan would "under no circumstances" dispatch armed forces to the troubled region.

Mr. Kaifu and the leader of the largest opposition party met for about 30 minutes to discuss ways Japan could contribute to Middle East peace efforts.

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#90234d1480 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 22) - The United States is considering erasing a portion of Egypt's 13 billion dollar debt to Washington to help Cairo cope with economic damage caused by the Gulf crisis, the U.S. ambassador has said here.

Frank Wisner, quoted in press reports here Wednesday, also said Washington and other governments were trying to promote an agreement between Egypt and the International Monetary Fund on rescheduling the overall Egyptian

foreign debt of some 50 billion dollars.

A return of tens of thousands of Egyptian workers from Iraq could cost Egypt up to one billion dollars a year, or 13 per cent of its foreign exchange assets, and worsen unemployment, which already affects 10 per cent of the population.

Since the start of the Gulf crisis, triggered by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2, some 54,000 Egyptians have returned to Cairo.

Egypt and President Hosni Mubarak have been among the severest critics of the invasion in the Arab world.

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#90234d1530 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 22) - China will not use its veto if the U.N. Security Council votes to give Western ships the right to use force in the Gulf, Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmed al-Jaber said after talks here Wednesday with Premier Li Peng.

The exiled foreign minister told a news conference that Mr. Li had told him that China -- one of the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council -- "will not (vote) for, but not against" the proposed resolution to enforce a U.N. trade embargo against Kuwait.

"If China will not vote for this draft resolution it will not vote against it either," Sheikh Sabah quoted the Chinese side as saying.

The Security Council was to meet on the subject Wednesday at the request of the United States.

The foreign minister said he had given Mr. Li a message from Sheikh Jabar al-Ahmad al-Sabah in which the Kuwaiti emir thanked China for its "understanding of the situation" after Iraq's annexation of his country.

Sheikh Sabah, who is also vice prime minister, is living in exile in Saudi Arabia and arrived here late Tuesday for a 24-hour visit.

He said he briefed Mr. Li on the situation in the Gulf and the Chinese premier expressed the hope that the crisis would be resolved by the Arab League and the Gulf Cooperation Council.

Beijing said August 5 that it had stopped arms deliveries to Baghdad.

The sheikh also met Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, who the New China News Agency said called on the parties involved in the conflict "not to take actions that will further complicate the Gulf situation."

He also reiterated China's opposition to Iraq's invasion and annexation of its neighbor, the official agency said.

Sheikh Sabah asserted that the exiled Kuwaiti government "exercises all its powers" and had "frequent contacts with people in Kuwait," adding that it was also in touch with its embassies abroad.

He also said there were "movements against occupation" in his country.

The foreign minister painted a gloomy picture for foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait. "If someone can assassinate his own people, it would be very easy for him to assassinate people from other countries," he said in reference to Baghdad's use of chemical weapons against the country's Kurdish people.

The Chinese Foreign Ministry said Wednesday that Beijing "has the right to keep its embassy in Kuwait," apparently rejecting President Saddam Hussein's demand that foreign countries shut their missions in Kuwait by Friday.

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#90234d1550 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 22) - A Philippine military helicopter crashed south of here in bad weather Wednesday, killing an air force officer and injuring six others including a general, military spokesmen said here.

The Sikorsky helicopter was ferrying Brigadier General Lisandro Abadia, operations chief of the armed forces, and aides to Manila from an inspection tour of military units in Laguna province when the accident occurred.

The aircraft went down near Lumban town apparently due to bad weather, the spokesmen said.

Brig. Gen. Abadia and the five others injured were rushed to a military hospital here. The lone fatality was identified as air force Captain Arnold Sabul.

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#90234d1590 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOGNE, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 22) - West German airline Lufthansa said Wednesday it would be outlawing smoking on all domestic flights from October 28.

A survey of 3,600 passengers had shown that 90 per cent of them had no objections to such a move, the airline said.

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#90234d1680 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 22) - Japan, with much to lose, sided with the United States and other Western countries this month by imposing its own sanctions against Iraq and Kuwait without waiting for the green light from the United Nations.

The move was a big step for a country which strived to maintain balanced ties with Iran and Iraq throughout the eight-year Gulf war to the extent of refusing to join Washington-led sanctions against Teheran.

But having bitten the bullet, Japan is now agonising over its additional response to the Middle East crisis amid fears of igniting a domestic political backlash and historical suspicions in neighbouring Asian countries.

On the one hand, Japanese government officials say they want to do more than just give money -- either to the multinational forces in the Gulf or to countries most affected by sanctions against Iraq such as Jordan and Turkey.

The desire to contribute more was illustrated last week by Michio Watanabe,

one of the most powerful figures in the ruling Liberal Democratic Party. He warned that it was unreasonable for Japan to be "freeloading" by maintaining a low-key role in the affair while depending heavily on oil from the Gulf.

But on the other hand, the "unprecedented" measures Foreign Ministry spokesman Taizo Watanabe says are now being considered by the government risk triggering a controversy both at home and abroad.

Mr. Watanabe said last week that the ministry was preparing a list of options to put to a special task force headed by Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu.

The measures would include recommendations by Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama, due to return this weekend from a tour of Saudi Arabia, Oman, Jordan,

Egypt and Turkey which was originally to have been undertaken by Mr. Kaifu.

Mr. Watanabe said the ministry was studying "all measures which would not be restricted by the constitution" and did not rule out the possibility of dispatching non-combat military personnel or minesweepers to the Gulf.

Mr. Kaifu, however, appeared to rule out Wednesday sending Japanese troops to the Middle East. Deputy Chief Cabinet Secretary Tadamori Oshima quoted Mr. Kaifu as telling Japan Socialist Party chairwoman Takako Doi that Japan would "under no circumstances" dispatch armed forces to the troubled region.

Japan's post-war constitution renounces "the threat or use of force as means of settling international disputes" and also says that "land, sea and air forces, as well as other war potential, will never be maintained."

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#90234d1810 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 22) - Pakistani Foreign Minister Sahabzadah Yaqub Khan met here Wednesday with his Jordanian counterpart Marwan al-Kassem on efforts to resolve the Gulf crisis diplomatically, official sources said.

Pakistan has agreed to send troops to Saudi Arabia as part of an Arab and Moslem force to defend the kingdom against a possible attack by Iraqi troops in neighboring Kuwait.

Jordan, heavily dependent on Iraq as a trading partner, did not join other Arab states in backing an Arab League resolution to shore up Saudi defenses in the aftermath of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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#90234d1890 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 22) - The British Merchant Navy officer's union, NUMAST, urged Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd on Wednesday to use the Royal Navy to protect British merchant ships in the Gulf.

The union also protested a government decision to extend by 75 kilometres (40 miles) the line outside of which it advises merchant ships not to navigate.

The change has had the effect of opening up to merchant traffic four oil ports, all situated north of the Dharan military base in Saudi Arabia, that had previously been considered to be in dangerous zones.

"We believe this move owes more to commercial pressures than to the realities of risk in the Gulf," NUMAST general secretary John Newman said.

Another union spokesman said: "We were very much a forgotten battlefront during the eight-year Iran-Iraq war when 14 of our members were killed.

"We want to make sure that does not happen again. We would like an assurance from Mr. Hurd that seamen will receive Royal Navy protection in

the Gulf."

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#90234d1970 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (AUG. 22) - East Germany has halted military training for 31 members of the PLO agreed to by the country's former communist regime, East German Defence and Disarmament Minister Rainer Eppelmann announced Wednesday.

The members of the Palestine Liberation Organization, who had been receiving free training with the East German Army, will leave East Germany next month,
cutting short contracts which were to have lasted until 1993 and 1994.

Mr. Eppelmann, a member of the centre-right Democratic Renewal party, said the East German forces had provided training to some 95 Syrians, 29 Libyans,

130 Yemenites, 84 Nicaraguans and 63 Vietnamese under similar agreements.

He dismissed reports that Iraqi soldiers were still under instruction in East Germany.

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#90234d1980 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 22) - The five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council were to meet Wednesday in a fresh bid to overcome Soviet objections to military enforcement of a U.N.-mandated embargo on Iraqi trade, sources at the U.S. delegation said.

The talks were scheduled at the French mission here, and could be followed by informal consultations among all 15 members of the council if the five reached consensus, the sources said.

The five permanent members are Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the United States. Each has absolute veto power on the council.

The full security council on August 6 voted a total trade and military embargo against Iraq following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

On August 8, Iraq formally announced it had annexed Kuwait.

Diplomats Wednesday said the Soviets for days had been blocking approval of a Security Council text that would allow Western naval forces in the Gulf region to use force to enforce the embargo.

They said the Soviets preferred to wait for a clear violation of the embargo before the council approved the use of force.

Moscow has also been pushing for activation of the Security Council's Military Staff Committee to oversee any military action in the Gulf.

The little-known committee, consisting of high military officers from the five permament member nations, holds perfunctory meetings every two months but has never been used.

Tuesday, Canadian U.N. delegate Yves Fortier voiced hope that the five could agree on a draft resolution Wednesday for the use of force, and that the entire council could vote on the resolution later in the day.

In Beijing, meanwhile, visiting Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmed al-Jaber said he had received assurances that China would not use its veto power as a permanent council member if the panel voted to let Western ships use force in the Gulf.

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#90234d2030 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 22) - Belgium will decide in "early September, in principle" whether to deploy its three-ship sanctions flotilla in the Gulf a government communique said Wednesday.

The decision will be made "in close concertation" with other members of the Western European Union (WEU), whose ministers decided in Paris Tuesday to coordinate action in order to police United Nations sanctions against Iraq it said.

"Coordination between members of the WEU is currently under way, as certain units head for the zone where they will be deployed," the statement said.

The Belgian units, comprising two minehunters and a support ship, left for the eastern Mediterranean last Friday. They are expected to reach the Greek island of Heraklion, at present their scheduled destination, around the end of August.

The statement also hailed the meeting of the nine-nation WEU, and the talks between foreign ministers of the 12-nation European Economic Community (EEC) that followed it, as showing "unity of vision and action."

"It was of capital importance for Europeans to speak in a single voice and act with one accord at a time of grave international tension," it said.

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#90234d2090 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 22) - India on Wednesday announced a 10 per cent hike in excise duty on private cars in a bid to contain petroleum sales in the aftermath of the Gulf crisis.

Finance Minister Madhu Dandavate told the lower house of parliament that the increase from 40 to 50 per cent on cost price would go into effect immediately.

He said the depreciation allowance on cars purchased after April 1 had also been reduced from 33.33 to 20 per cent.

Mr. Dandavate said the measures were aimed at curbing the use of petroleum products in the wake of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and U.N. trade sanctions against the two Gulf countries which have caused crude prices to shoot up.

The minister said government and public sector vehicles would not be used on Sundays, and private companies would also be requested not to use vehicles one day a week.

The surprise announcement followed fears that a serious petroleum shortage was in the offing in India, which bought up to 40 per cent of its imported petroleum products from Iraq and Kuwait.

Officials have said that India has petroleum stocks to last only a month.

Production of cars in India rose from about 100,000 in 1985 to almost 180,000 last year, and according to estimates nearly 60 per cent are sold to individual buyers.

A spokesman for Maruti Udyog Ltd. (MUL), India's state-run automaker which accounts for nearly 60 per cent of the car market, said it was too early to say what effect Mr. Dandavate's statement would have on sales.

The Indian government has been trying to curb galloping oil demand to cut imports, and in June announced a series of measures aimed at reducing petroleum consumption.

The government has also ordered a 10 to 20 per cent cut in petrol consumption by government vehicles and bulk consumers such as railways, power houses, and fertiliser and petrochemical industries.

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#90234d2100 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (AUG. 22) - West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher reaffirmed here Wednesday that East and West Germany had renounced the use of nuclear, biological and chemical weapons.

Mr. Genscher told a conference examining the non-proliferation treaty that "the governments of East and West Germany reaffirm their contractual and unilateral renunciation of the construction, the possession and the capacity to use atomic, biological and chemical weapons.

"They declare that the united Germany will respect these obligations," he added.

Mr. Genscher also emphasized that the adhesion of the two German states to the non-proliferation treaty would be continued by a united Germany.

He expressed support for extending the non-proliferation treaty beyond its expiration in 1995 and called for a ban on nuclear testing.

"Our agreement to greatly reduce the armed forces of the unified Germany will be an example of how to turn swords into plowshares," said Mr. Genscher.

On the subject of non-proliferation, he said Bonn had reinforced export controls on items used to build chemical weapons, and had moved to require authorization for installations which could be used for the production of biological and chemical weapons.

Furthermore, said Mr. Genscher, West German citizens are subject to penalties if the collaborate on military projects involving nuclear, biological and chemical weapons in Germany or abroad.

West German firms have been accused of helping Libya to obtain chemical weapons.

Mr. Genscher added that recent events in the Gulf have necessitated a world-wide ban on such weapons.

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#90234d2120 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (AUG. 22) - Turkish Defense Minister Safa Giray said here Wednesday that Turkey might despatch troops to join the multinational force assembled in Gulf region.

In a statement to the semi-official Anatolian News Agency, Giray said this would be possible ''if our calculations show a bonus for Turkey''.

''Of course, if there is a U.N. decision (for joint military action), then,

depending on the wording of the resolution, the obligation may be more binding,
but right now it depends on our own calculations'' said Giray.

In an interview with British Broadcasting Corporation (Bbc) television, President Turgut Ozal said Wednesday that according to the constitution, only the National Assembly (the parliament) could take a decision on sending troops abroad.

Ozal's reference to parliament making the decision on a troop deployment surprised political observers. Under the president's guidance, parliament already empowered the government 10 days ago to declare a state of war, send troops abroad or permit fgn troops to be stationed in Turkey.

During the interview, Ozal urged Baghdad to free all foreigners trapped in Iraq. Baghdad could not convincingly claim they were guests, since ''the guests, after all, should be free to leave'', said Ozal.

On Tuesday, Ozal sent a verbal message ''concerning the foreigners'' to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein through the Iraqi ambassador here, Tariq Abduljabbar Jawad.

Despite the explosive situation, Ozal hoped that the Gulf crisis could be resolved without any resort to force ''if all the countries strictly adhere to the U.N. trade boycott''.

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#90234d2140 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JEDDAH (AUG. 22) - The six defence ministers of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) opened emergency talks here Wednesday on coordinating their defences in the wake of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Gcc member state Kuwait.

The Gcc - comprising Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Oman, the United Arab Emirates and Qatar - has a joint defence agreement under which aggression against one state is regarded as aggression against them all.

The ministers were also reviewing recommendations prepared by the six chiefs of staff last week on coordinating their defences.

Apart from Kuwait, the other Gcc states have a combined total of 145,700 troops, 800 tanks and 330 warplanes. Iraq has a regular army of one million

troops and 850,000 reservists, 5,500 tanks, 160 helicopter gunships and 510 warplanes.

Meanwhile some Kuwaiti troops who escaped the invasion reportedly are regrouping outside the country. Acording to exiled Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Shaikh Sabah al-Ahmed as-Sabah, all 36 Kuwaiti jet fighters were brought out and are now in Saudi Arabia.

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#90234d2170 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DOHA (AUG. 22) - Underground Kuwaiti resistance groups were reported Wednesday to have stepped up attacks against Iraqi troops in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait in a desperate attempt to evict the invaders.

The Qatari daily Asharq said the Kuwaiti resistance attacked Iraqi troops on Tuesday, destroying three tanks, blowing up a bus packed with Iraqi soldiers and arresting a senior Iraqi officezczc usc105 3 i 212 dpa 075 MoscowGulfPolitics

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#90234d2210 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (AUG. 22) - Canada-based Lavalin International Group (LIG) has won a bid to build Thailand's first skytrain system, the Thai government said.

The directors of Expressway and Rapid Transit Authority of Thailand (ETA) unanimously agreed in a three-hour meeting on Tuesday to award the 40 billion baht (1.6 billion dollars) project to Lavalin, the agency said.

"Lavalin's proposal is attractive in terms of its financial proposal, train fare structure and minimum risk," ETA gave as the reason for the choice.

The decision ended a year of fierce competition between Lavalin and its rival Asia-Euro Consortium (AEC), which had been tipped to win the bid.

The project, which has no starting date and will take five years to complete, will receive a special loan of 16 billion baht (640 million U.S. dollars) from the Canadian government, 39 percent of it interest-free.

The Thai government has already announced it will fund up to 25 percent of the project. The rest of the money will come from 26 finanacial institutions, both local and foreign.

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#90234d2310 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (AUG. 22) - A sixth contingent of former Iranian prisoners of war held by Baghdad arrived here Wednesday, as thousands of Iranians living in Kuwait continued streaming out of the Iraqi-controlled emirate via Iraq, the official media reported.

As the POWs arrived at the western border post of Khosravi in Bakhtaran provice, 1,000 Iraqi prisoners held by Iran during the eight-year Gulf war were repatriated under the supervision of the International Committee of the Red Cross -- bringing the total swap to 12,000 prisoners since Friday, the media said.

The official IRNA news agency reported that Iran and Iraq had agreed to increase the number of POWs exchanged daily to 12,000 (or 6,000 for each country) starting Thursday.

IRNA also said 35,000 Iranians living in Kuwait had returned in 5,000 vehicles via the southwestern border town of Shalamjah since August 2, the day Iraqi troops seized Kuwait.

A large number of Bangladeshi, Pakistani and Afghan nationals tried to join the convoy by heading towards Iran but were rebuffed in Kuwait by Iraqi troops, the agency said.

The 60,000-70,000-strong Iranian community in Kuwait is expected to be fully evacuated in a week's time, IRNA said.

Analysts here said a diminished Iranian community was in Iraq's interest in order to prevent it from organizing a Shiite resistance movement in Kuwait.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is a Sunni Moslem although the majority of his population is Shiite. Shiites make up 30 per cent of Kuwait's population.

But in a peace gesture towards Iran, Iraq on Tuesday completed the phased withdrawal of its troops from Iranian territory seized in the Gulf war.

The Iraqi withdrawals have taken place in the Iranian provinces of Kurdistan, Bakhtaran, Ilam and Khuzistan, where Iraq had occupied some 2,600 square kilometers (1,040 square miles) of territory, according to the reports.

Mr. Hussein's decision to remove his troops from Iran will free 30 divisions for use in his current standoff with the West following the invasion of Kuwait.

The pullback was part of a dramatic announcement last Wednesday by an embattled President Hussein, who also agreed to release Iranian prisoners of war and accepted Teheran's terms on sharing sovereignty over the

strategic Shatt al-Arab waterway.

An Iranian army statement said the Iraqi withdrawal had been completed militarily, but "from the standpoint of international law, it must be confirmed by topographic maps and the demarcation of the border as determined by the Algiers accords of 1975."

The accords called for Iran and Iraq to share sovereignty over the Shatt al-Arab waterway, a strategic river that runs between the two countries and empties into the northern Gulf.

The Gulf war ended in a cease-fire in August 1988.

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#90234d2470 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (AUG. 22) - Marauders riding cars gunned down at least 17 people and wounded 35 in a shooting spree through Karachi streets Wednesday, hospital sources said.

Most casualties came when gunmen shot at camps set up by the Mohajir Qaumi Movement (Mqm) ethnic group in various parts of the city to arrange a grand reception for its leader, Altaf Hussain, returning home Thursday from treatment abroad.

Mqm has frequently been involved in bloody battles with rival Sindhi nationalist groups in Karachi and the city of Hyderabad to the North. About 300 people were killed in the last round of bloodshed in May and June.

Troops deployed in the two cities to restore peace were withdrawn only last week, following the dismissal of Benazir Bhutto's government which was accused of carrying on a vendetta against Mqm.

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#90234d2520 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 22) - The West German monopolies office on Wednesday gave the green light for the country's three leading electricity producers to take control of 60 percent of the East German electricity distribution network.

The decision came after weeks of delicate negotiations aimed at preventing the West German giants from taking total control of electricity distribution in East Germany.

There have been complaints that West German industry is buying up sectors of the East German economy wholesale, virtually freezing out non-German competition and replacing state monopolies with private ones.

Under the plan accepted by the West German monopolies office, RWE, PreussenElektra and Bayernwerk must leave some 40 percent of the East German market in the hands of independent regional operators.

The monopolies office had in July blocked a takeover plan agreed by the three groups and the East Berlin government which would have meant the West German companies taking over the East German electricity network in its entirety.

"The problems for free competition which were seen in the initial project have been reduced to a minimum without putting at risk the modernization of the East German electricity network," monopolies office spokesman Hubertus Schoen said.

The three West German companies will have to keep out of certain areas, including Halle, the focus of the East German chemical industry, Berlin, Dresden and Schwerlin, with all these regions being earmarked for regional operators.

Five such operators had put forward a counter-proposal for the country's network in early July.

The three West German companies are planning to invest some 1.9 billion Deutsche marks (1.18 billion dollars) in the initial phase in modernising the East German network and setting up an organisational structure in which RWE and PreussenElektra will each hold a 35 percent stake and Bayernwerk the remaining 30 percent.

The second phase will see the three West German companies merging with two East German major operators, and holding 75 percent of the new entity.

The remaining 25 percent will be open to other German or European operators, with a top limit of 15 percent for any single stakeholder.

MP's of the ruling Christian Democratic Union said that Wednesday's decision "respects the rules of free competition," but the ecological party said that it went against the decentralization of electricity distribution.

"The monopolies office decision is aimed at preventing control of the electricity networks by the local municipalities themselves," the West German Greens' parliamentary group said.

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#90234d3180 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (AUG. 22) - More than 4,000 protesters occupied University

Square in central Bucharest Wednesday following an anti-government meeting organised by the Christian Democrats of the Revolution, witnesses said.

The demonstrators went to Romana Square where a wreath commemorates the heros of the revolution, then returned to University Square where they erected the barricades of the "neo-Communist free zone".

The demonstrators where carrying signs proclaiming "down with communism."

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#90234d3200 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 22) - The European Economic Community (EEC) may gather its ambassadors in Kuwait in a single residence on Friday night in order to force Iraq to make a "spectacular" mass eviction of them, Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens said Wednesday.

The move will "force the Iraqis to enter the buildings" and make "the closure of foreign embassies (in Kuwait) as spectacular and contrary to international customs and practices as possible," Mr. Eyskens said.

Iraq, in annexing Kuwait, told other countries to close their embassies in Kuwait by midnight Friday.

The Iraqi authorities have moved the closure forward by one hour, to 11:00 p.m., Mr. Eyskens said, without further explanation.

EEC foreign ministers discussed the idea of the mass protest at their meeting in Paris Tuesday, he said.

In practice, the demonstration would concern only 11 ambassadors, as Luxembourg does not have an envoy in Kuwait.

The Community, the United States, the Soviet Union and other countries represented in Kuwait City have all refused to close their embassies there.

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#90234d3230 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 22) - Iraq on Wednesday authorized a certain number of Japanese and French nationals to leave the country.

Parliamentary speaker Saadi Maadi Saleh, in a dispatch received here by the Iraqi News Agency INA, said the decision had been taken "in the hopes of preventing certain parties from aligning themselves with the U.S. position" in the Gulf crisis.

"The representatives of the people have decided to allow a certain number

of French and Japanese nationals to leave Iraq," Mr. Salah said, without specifying how many.

Iraq earlier this week said it was also releasing some Austrian, Swedish,

Swiss, Finnish, Portuguese and Argentine nationals, as well as all Indonesians,

because their governments had not joined the massive military buildup in the Gulf following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

The announement Wednesday came one day after French President Francois Mitterrand said French ground troops would be deployed in the Gulf.

Military sources said 180 paratroopers would be flown to the United Arab Emirates, while airport sources in Paris reported that France is allowing U.S. military aircraft transporting troops to the Gulf to refuel at two facilities near the French capital.

In Tokyo, Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu vowed that "under no circumstances" would Japanese troops be sent to the Middle East.

But in Cairo, a senior Japanese official again called for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and vowed that Japan would not shut down its embassy in Kuwait city in compliance with an Iraqi ultimatum.

Iraqi forces have begun rounding up foreigners -- Britons, Americans and French nationals -- in both Kuwait and Iraq in accordance with plans to house them in strategic installations to deter an allied attack.

Some 550 French nationals are still in Iraq and Kuwait while the number of Japanese in the two countries is put at 500.

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#90234d3330 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (AUG. 22) - South Africa's official inflation rate, as measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI), continued its slow retreat in July when for the third month running it was below 14 percent.

In figures released here Wednesday by the government's Central Statistical Services (CSS) said the year-on-year inflation rate was 13.3 percent in July, down from the 13.6 percent recorded in June and the 13.9 percent in May.

Prior to May, South Africa's inflation rate had topped 14 percent for more than a year.

Economists ascribed the downward trend to the economic slowdown in response to strict policies, as well as the stable dollarrand exchange rate. They predicted that by December the inflation rate would drop to about 13 percent.

Food prices remained the main contributor to the inflation rate. In the year to July these prices rose by a far greater percentage than the inflation rate at 16.4 percent.

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#90234d3370 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (AUG. 22) - East Germany's parliament on Wednesday overwhelmingly approved a bill defining the rules for the all-German elections that are due to be held on December 2.

The vote was the first to come in a three-day special session that will also have to agree on a date for the reunification.

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#90234d3630 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (AUG. 22) - The five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council were meeting Wednesday in a fresh bid to overcome Soviet objections to military enforcement of a U.N.-mandated embargo on Iraqi trade.

"We'll be continuing our consultations in the day, pushing toward hopefully trying to do something today, if it's at all possible," said U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering on arriving for the meeting at the French U.N. mission.

The five permanent members -- Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the United States -- want to maintain a united front on the Gulf crisis, but are divided on how much authority to give the Security Council in overseeing military action in the Gulf, diplomats said.

The full security council on August 6 voted a total trade and military embargo against Iraq following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait. On August 8, Iraq formally annexed Kuwait.

After two Iraqi tankers defied the embargo despite warning shots fired across their bows by U.S. vessels, the United States led the effort in the United Nations to toughen the embargo with military enforcement.

The Soviet Union has been resisting U.S. pressure for prompt approval of a Security Council text that would allow Western naval forces in the Gulf region to use the least necessary force to enforce the embargo, diplomats

said.

They said the Soviets preferred to wait for a clear violation of the embargo before the council approved the use of force.

The Soviet Union and Yemen, the only Arab member of the full 15-member Security Council, do not want unilateral intervention of Western naval forces in the volatile region.

(In Beijing, meanwhile, visiting Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmed al-Jaber said he had received assurances that China would not use its veto power if the panel voted to let Western ships use force in the Gulf.

(As military materiel poured into the region, U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar announced in Santiago that two of his high-level officials had arrived in Baghdad in search of a diplomatic solution to the crisis.)

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#90234d3770 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 22) - Black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela will leave South Africa on Saturday for a visit to Norway, Libya and Algeria, his office said in a statement Wednesday.

Mr. Mandela, 72, the deputy president of the anti-apartheid African National Congress (ANC), is to address a conference on "the Anatomy of Hate" in Oslo on August 27, the statement said.

The trip would be Mr. Mandela's third outside Africa since he was released by President Frederik de Klerk on February 11 after 27 years in South African prisons.

From Norway, Mr. Mandela plans to fly to Libya and Algeria to "pursue matters discussed with these heads of state" on his previous visit to the two countries in July as part of a six-week tour of three continents.

He will return to South Africa on August 31 where he will tour the Cape province to assess "first-hand the conditions of people in rural areas," the statement added.

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#90234d3790 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 22) - Indian Foreign Minister Inder Kumar Gujral flew home from Kuwait and Baghdad on Wednesday saying that "with goodwill" a Gulf war could be avoided and that the situation in Kuwait City was "not

bad."

He also said India would start an airlift of thousands of its stranded nationals from the Iraqi city of Basra "in a day or so."

Mr. Gujral, the first foreign minister to visit Kuwait and to meet Iraqi President Saddam Hussein since the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, said private shops in Kuwait City were closed, but ration shops were open and banks were due to be reopened on Wednesday.

Water and electricity services were functioning "adequately," he said, and despite evident shortages the situation was "not yet very telling." He conceded however that 8,000 Indians were being fed at community kitchens.

Mr. Gujral, who flew home on an Indian air force plane carrying 166 Indians, indicated that India, a close ally of Iraq and a non-aligned movement leader, felt it might have something to contribute to defusing tension in the Gulf.

"The world will not be disappointed," he said referring to a statement he plans to deliver to the Indian parliament on Thursday, adding in answer to questions that "given goodwill, this (war) may possibly be avoided."

Among the Indians he brought home were pregnant women and children and some required emergency medical treatment aboard the plane before they disembarked.

However witnesses said there appeared to be no injured among the returnees.

The foreign minister, who travelled to Washington and Moscow before flying to Baghdad and Kuwait, declined to answer questions on whether India would close its embassy in Kuwait, saying he would give details Thursday.

While Mr. Gujral said there was "anxiety" but no tension among Indian nationals in Kuwait, some of the returnees on the plane disagreed.

"People in Kuwait are panic-stricken. All of them want to get out at any cost," said Usha Anand, the wife of an Indian electrical engineer who along with his three children are still stranded in the emirate.

Some 181,000 Indians, most of them contract workers, are stranded in the two countries, Mr. Gujral said.

National television said Wednesday night that 2,163 who had crossed overland from Kuwait into Saudi Arabia had already been flown home from Jordan.

Mr. Gujral confirmed that one person had been killed on the Saudi-Kuwait

border, but did not detail the circumstances.

Earlier returnees have reported harrowing sagas of being kept without food in military camps, and the raping of Indian women.

Mr. Gujral, who won assurances from Mr. Hussein that Indians in the two countries would be taken care of and could be evacuated if they wished, categorically denied the rape reports and said most Indians were safe.

Observers here have said the Indian government appears to be downplaying reports of rough treatment by returning nationals, apparently in a bid to ensure the safety of the thousands who remain behind.

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#90234d3830 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (AUG. 22) - The prime suspect in a 1986 terrorist bombing of a West Berlin discotheque that left three dead and 200 injured was released Wednesday for lack of evidence, the West Berlin prosecutor's office announced.

Ali Mansour, 32, a West German of Lebanese origin, was arrested July 25 after a former member of the East German secret police, the Stasi, accused him of taking part in the April 1986 blast at the disco frequented by U.S. troops.

The United States blamed Libya for the attack and responded with a retaliatory air strike on Tripoli.

The public prosecutor's office said that those people whom the former Stasi policeman said were able to implicate Mr. Mansour in the terrorist attack had not been found.

The Stasi, already accused of protecting members of the West German Red Army Faction terrorist group, is also suspected of having prior knowledge of the attack on the "La Belle" disco and even of protecting the terrorist group that carried it out.

The regional Interior Minister for West Berlin, Erich Paetzvold, strongly criticized East German police on Tuesday for hampering the investigation by withholding Stasi documents concerning the case.

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#90234d4000 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 22) - King Hussein, describing the future as "depressing and frightening," pleaded for calm Wednesday in a "world gone mad" and announced a new diplomatic initiative to stem the gathering crisis in the

Gulf.

The king at a news conference also disclosed that his government might be forced to slow the flood of foreigners streaming into his country each day from Iraq because of "serious human problems."

He said he was leaving Thursday for several Arab capitals -- including Baghdad -- to try to find a peaceful solution to the ominous standoff between Iraq and the West.

Characterizing the future as "depressing and frightening," he appealed to all world leaders bound up in the confrontation "not to take emotional or premature stands."

"The world has gone mad," he complained. "I have been pleading for sanity and a chance to solve our own problems, between Arabs."

Asked if he could intervene on behalf of thousands of foreigners held in Iraq against their will, the king replied: "I am not part of the decision-making.

"Threats, the use of force, intimidation, condemnation do not get us anywhere."

He said Jordan believed in "the freedom of people and would try (its) best to find a solution."

But he warned that his government might be forced "to slow down" the entry of foreigners desperate to escape Iraq who have been streaming into Jordan by the thousands ever since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

King Hussein reported that 135,000 people had so far crossed into Jordan, of whom 67,000 had left for their homes.

"But for the rest, who have stayed, Jordan is having enormous difficulties meeting their needs," the king said.

"Two adults have died and four children since the beginning of this movement to Jordan. We are doing all we can but we may have to slow down."

King Hussein described Iraq as currently holding "a position of defense," but warned that the massive buildup of military might in the Gulf could "lead us to war by miscalculation."

He acknowledged that Jordan, economically and politically dependent on both the West and neighboring Iraq, was in a "difficult situation," although he stressed: "My country is not siding with anyone but itself."

The United States has shown irritation with Jordan's reluctance to impose United Nations-approved economic sanctions against Baghdad, notably by allowing goods to enter Iraq via the Jordanian Red Sea port of Aqaba.

But King Hussein, as have other Jordanian officials, argued that the scope of the Security Council embargo was ambiguous, "what is allowed or not."

He said Jordan had sought clarification and would abide by its international responsibilities.

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#90234d4100 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 22) - Pakistan on Wednesday said it opposed the use of force in the Gulf but stressed that a settlement there required an Iraqi military withdrawal from Kuwait.

Foreign Minister Sahabzadah Yaqub Khan, at the end of a two-day visit here during which he held talks with King Hussein, spoke of an "explosive situation" in the region and said he hoped Islamic nations would be able to "stem the escalation in order to reach a negotiated solution."

He said Pakistan "opposes recourse to force" but added that "a settlement of the crisis requires the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait." Yaqub Khan met King Hussein here Wednesday after holding talks earlier in the day with Foreign Minister Marwan al-Kassem.

Pakistan has agreed to send troops to Saudi Arabia as part of an Arab and Moslem force to defend the kingdom against a possible attack by Iraqi units in neighboring Kuwait.

Jordan, heavily dependent on Iraq as a trading partner, did not join other Arab states in backing an Arab League resolution to shore up Saudi defenses in the aftermath of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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#90234d4180 08/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) - The United States Wednesday said it would defy an Iraqi order to close the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait City and would begin reducing its diplomatic staff in the capital of the oil-rich emirate which Iraq annexed two weeks ago.

"The United States, along with most other nations represented in Kuwait, has rejected the Iraqi demand for the closure of diplomatic missions in Kuwait and will be retaining a diplomatic presence in that country," a State Department statement said.

Iraq, whose forces invaded Kuwait August 2, set Friday as the deadline for all diplomatic missions in the Kuwaiti capital to close or face the withdrawal of their diplomatic privileges.

Other Western governments, including those of the 12-nation European Economic Community, have said they do not plan to obey the Iraqi order.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher Wednesday said a group of U.S. Embassy dependents and non-essential personnel would leave Kuwait City "by road to Baghdad and out of Iraq by whatever means available...in the next day or two." He said Iraqi authorities had assured U.S. officials that the embassy group would be permitted to leave Kuwait.

He said the embassy there had provided a list of 1,984 Americans it had been able to contact since August 2, the day Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait.

The department previously had said that, based on information provided by families and friends in the United States, there were 2,500 Americans in Kuwait. Mr. Boucher said that dual nationals, children of Kuwaiti parents and Americans who did not register with the embassy might account for the difference.

Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs David Mack met earlier in the day with more than 100 foreign diplomats accredited here "to consult on the situation confronting diplomatic missions and foreign citizens in Kuwait and Iraq," the spokeman said

"He (Mr. Mack) stressed the importance of international solidarity to persuade Iraq to observe all relevant (U.N.) Security Council resolutions " Mr. Boucher said.

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#90234e0007 08/22/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BERLIN (AUG 22) EFE - The battle over the date for German unification remained unresolved Wednesday after the East German Social Democratic Party (SDP) ranks refused to support an agreement reached by party leaders to formalize unity on October 14.

SPD party leader Richard Schroeder resigned Tuesday after his party overruled his decision to lend support to East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maziere's October 14 proposal for unification.

Schroeder cited infighting over the unification date, which most SPD members want to occur on September 15, and the SPD's withdrawal from the East German ruling coalition Sunday as the reasons for his departure.

Schroeder has defended the continued participation of the SPD in the

coalition government, despite the SPD directive's recommendation last weekend that the party abandon de Maziere's group.

SPD President Wolfgang Thierse, who is to take Schroeder's place, said Wednesday that his party would continue to push for unity on September 15 because the foreign policy issues relating to the merging should have been solved by that date.

Representatives from the two Germany's and the four victorious powers of World War II -- Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States are to meet in Moscow early in September for the last round of the so-called Two-Plus-Four talks in a bid to hammer out an agreement on the external issues of German unity.

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#90234e0009 08/22/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG 22) EFE - Israeli troops have shot and wounded 14 Palestinians demonstrating in occupied Gaza in support of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, Arab sources said Wednesday.

During the clashes late Tuesday, six Palestinians were shot and wounded in the southern city of Khan Yunis, three in the Al-Bureij refugee camp and two in the town of Nuseirat, the sources said.

They added that one protestor was shot during protests in each of the towns of Jabaliya and Shati and in the Shej Raduan neighborhood in the city of Gaza, the sources said.

They said demonstrators in Gaza marched through the streets with posters of Saddam after he incurred international condemnation for ordering the invasion of Kuwait, and chanted slogans against the United States and Israel.

Palestinians in the Occupied Territories have been staging similar pro-Iraq demonstrations since the crisis broke out.

"As Palestinians we back Iraq against the United States since for the Arab nation this is a question of existing or not existing," a demonstrator in Gaza told EFE in reference to the August 2 invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent U.S. blockade against those two oil-rich Gulf nations.

Meanwhile in Jerusalem, police said a group of armed Palestinians attacked a South African tourist who they mistook for a U.S. citizen.

The South African was in hospital with wounds to his hands and a leg, police said.

They added that an Israeli man was in serious condition after a group of Palestinians beat him with iron pipes and wooden clubs.

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#90234e0010 08/22/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG 22) EFE - At least 25 people are feared to have drowned when a boat foundered and sunk in the Ganges River near the northeastern Indian city of Bakhtiarpur, the official PTI News Agency reported Wednesday.

Rescue workers said some 20 people aboard the vessel managed to swim to shore after the boat sunk on Tuesday while the others were swept away by the current. No bodies have yet been recovered, they added.

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#90234e0029 08/22/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 22) EFE - King Hussein of Jordan said his country "may have to slow down" the flow of refugees from Iraq and occupied Kuwait unless the process of repatriation were sped up.

In a press conference in the capital, the king said 185,000 people of different nationalities had fled into Jordan since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2, but that only 67,000 of those had left. Jordan was experiencing "enormous difficulty in meeting the needs of these people," he said.

The monarch also announced that Thursday he would embark on a tour of a number of Arab states to talk to their leaders, while repeatedly stressing that the crisis was an Arab issue.

When asked whether Jordan was complying with United Nations embargo on trade to and from Iraq and Kuwait, King Hussein said, "Officially and factually Jordan adheres to the resolutions." The United States and others have claimed that Jordan's port of Aqaba was still allowing Iraqi boats to load and unload.

But King Hussein pointed out that some unspecified countries had surpassed the U.N. resolutions and that there were areas of "ambiguity" as to what goods came under the embargo. "We recognize our international obligations and have always done so," the monarch said. He said that Jordan believed that Iraq could still receive medicines and food.

King Hussein said that, despite reports to the contrary, "Jordan had never been more united. Jordan has bever been more clear in the thinking and feeling of its people and leadership," he said.

When asked if his country was siding with the West in its decision Wednesday to buy oil from Saudi Arabia, he said, "My country is not siding with anyone but itself." "Jordan is in a very, very difficult position at this time," he added.

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#90234e0031 08/22/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) EFE - The United States said Wednesday it intends to keep its embassy in Kuwait open for business as usual, despite Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's orders for all foreign embassies in the occupied country to close down by Friday.

A State Department spokesman said that while embassy staff would be scaled down from the 120 people currently working there, remaining officials would continue to fulfill their obligations towards U.S. citizens.

He gave no figures for the reduction in embassy staff but said U.S. ambassador Nathaniel Howell would remain at his post to "defend our community".

Iraq has threatened to strip envoys remaining in the country after Friday of their diplomatic immunity. Other European nations have also said they plan to keep operating until they are forcibly prevented from doing so.

The U.S. decision was transmitted to citizens still trapped in Kuwait following Iraq's August 2 invasion via the government-run Voice of America radio station and the British BBC World Service.

The State Department also confirmed Iraqi reports that Westerners were being detained at strategic military and industrial sites as human shields against a possible military strike.

At least 13,000 Westerners are estimated to be stranded in Iraq and Kuwait including some 3,000 U.S. citizens and 4,000 Britons.

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#90234e0033 08/22/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PANAMA CITY (AUG 22) EFE - Panamanian National Police Chief Col. Eduardo Herrera has resigned, government officials said Wednesday.

Herrera was January named head of the Panamanian Public Force (PPF), an armed security force hastily set up to replace the Panamanian Defence Force in the wake of last December's U.S. invasion which overthrew the country's former leader Gen. Manuel Noriega.

Noriega was head of the PDF.

The PPF was initially under the command of the president's office and Herrera, but was later split up into three units, leaving Herrera in charge of the National Police.

Officials gave no reason for the resignation.

The new head of the National Police was named as Lt. Col. Fernando Quezada.

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#90234e0034 08/22/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 22) EFE - At least 22 people were killed and more than 60 others wounded in the southern Pakistani city of Karachi Wednesday when unidentified gunmen opened fire on members of the Moslem "Muhajir Qaumi Mahaz" (MQM) party, Indian news agency PTI said.

Armed gunmen in cars and on motorbikes opened fire on a crowd of MQM followers who had began to gather in the city in preparation for the arrival of the party's leader, Altaf Hussain.

Hussain is due in Karachi Thursday after undergoing a kidney operation in London.

The MQM defends the interests of Indian Moslem emigrants (Muhajirs) who settled in the southern Paskistani province of Sind after the 1947 partition of Britain's former Indian Empire into India and Pakistan.

Hundreds of people have died in Sind in the last few months during brutal clashes between members of the Muhajir community and native Sindis.

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#90234f1505 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 370.03 off 6.48.

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#90234f1516 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Wednesday - $39,990,000

1990 to date - $7,394,750,000

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#90234f1517 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.67	off 0.37
10 Public Utils	90.89	off 0.50
10 Industrials	88.46	off 0.22

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#90234f1518 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2613.12	2630.69	2553.22	2560.15	off 43.81
20 Trans	912.41	919.89	890.88	894.34	off 14.24
15 Utils	198.94	199.82	195.80	196.81	off 1.69
65 Stock	908.79	914.90	888.88	891.94	off 13.69

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	35,404,000	29,338,500
Trans	3,582,000	4,620,500
Utils	4,015,300	3,860,000
65 Stock	33,001,300	37,819,000

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#90234f1519 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 22) UPI - The grain market was mostly higher in quiet trading Wednesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Soybeans rallied on concern that late-planted beans could be affected by an early frost. Crop observers on a corn and soybean tour of the Midwest report the crops appear to be making good progress with the potential for average or above-average yields.

The August soybean contract was 4 1/4 cents higher when it expired. August bean oil and soybean meal also went off the board at noon with little fanfare.

Corn turned higher during the closing minutes. Light country movement and steady basis levels were supportive, but gains were limited by the prospect of a bumper crop of corn.

Wheat was higher most of the day and closed at or near session highs. Trading was choppy and prices moved in a narrow range.

At the close, corn was up 2 to down 1 3/4, soybeans up 3 1/4 to 7, wheat up 2 to 3 1/4 and oats unchanged to off 1.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by Ameri- can Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S. $ Equivalent		Currency per U.S. $	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austrl	.000165	.000165	6046.00	5644.00
Australia dlr	.8194	.8083	1.2204	1.2372
Austria schill	.0915	.0913	10.93	10.95
Belgium frnc-c	.0313	.0312	31.92	32.06
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0143	.0142	70.01	70.49
Britain pound	1.9260	1.9110	.5192	.5233
Britain 1-mo	1.9151	1.8998	.5222	.5264
Britain 3-mo	1.8941	1.8796	.5280	.5320
Britain 6-mo	1.8666	1.8509	.5357	.5403
Canada dollar	.8807	.8780	1.1355	1.1390
Canada 1-mo	.8767	.8740	1.1406	1.1441
Canada 3-mo	.8735	.8675	1.1448	1.1527
Canada 6-mo	.8569	.8595	1.1670	1.1635
Chile peso-f	.003413	.003431	292.98	291.47
Colombia pes	.001958	.001960	510.65	510.08
Denmark krne	.1675	.1673	5.9690	5.9775
Ecudr sucr-z	.001135	.001131	881.10	894.07
Egypt pound	.3755	.3755	2.6628	2.6628
Finlnd mrkka	.2725	.2721	3.6700	3.6750
France franc	.1910	.1898	5.2355	5.2685
France 1-mo	.1907	.1899	5.2435	5.2667
France 3-mo	.1890	.1896	5.2635	5.2753
France 6-mo	.1889	.1881	5.2943	5.3160
Greece drach	.006530	.006501	153.15	153.83
Hollnd guildr	.5703	.5677	1.7535	1.7616
HongKong dlr	.1285	.1286	7.7820	7.7790
India rupee	.0579	.0579	17.26	17.27

Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000542	1845.00	1844.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7220	1.7185	0.5807	0.5819
Israel shekel	.5010	.5048	1.9960	1.9810
Italy lira	.000861	.000861	1161.50	1160.75
Japan yen	.006847	.006815	146.05	146.73
Japan 1-mo	.006880	.006805	145.35	146.95
Japan 3-mo	.006873	.006785	145.50	147.38
Japan 6-mo	.006861	.006801	145.75	147.03
Jordan dinar	1.5399	1.5375	.6494	.6504
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico pes-z	.000348	.000348	2876.00	2876.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6252	.6223	1.5995	1.6069
Norway krne	.1658	.1651	6.0305	6.0450
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.52	21.54
Peru inti	.000032	.000032	315.200	315.200
P'pnes peso-z	.0423	.0423	23.64	23.64
Portugl escd	.007241	.007241	138.11	138.11
Saudi riyal	.2674	.2676	3.7396	3.7376
Singapore dlr	.5604	.5596	1.7845	1.7870
S.Africa rand	.3917	.3909	2.5530	2.5580
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010256	.010331	97.50	96.80
Sweden krona	.1739	.1741	5.7500	5.7440
Switzrl franc	.7836	.7758	1.2762	1.2890
Switzrl 1-mo	.7832	.7754	1.2768	1.2897
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7828	.7746	1.2775	1.2910
Switzrl 6-mo	.7812	.7729	1.2801	1.2939
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.87	26.87
Turkey lira	.000378	.000378	2656.00	2652.00
UAE dirham	.2731	.2726	3.6618	3.6682
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0207	.0206	48.27	48.54
W.Ger Mark	.6425	.6399	1.5565	1.5628
W.Ger 1-mo	.6425	.6398	1.5565	1.5629
W.Ger 3-mo	.6423	.6397	1.5570	1.5640
W.Ger 6-mo	.6408	.6381	1.5605	1.5671
Yugoes dinar	.0935	.0929	10.69	10.76 ---

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Wa- shington, D.C.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 22) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.77 1/4-2.94 1/4 up 2.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.15 1/4-6.16 1/4 up 2 3/4-4 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.51 3/4-2.58 3/4 up 2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.65 3/4-2.69 3/4 up 2.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.00

60 to 89 days 7.94

90 to 119 days 7.91

120 to 149 days 7.87

150 to 179 days 7.86

180 to 270 days 7.82

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.00 - 7.85

Issuers 30 days 7.99

Issuers 90 days 7.68

Issuers 270 days 7.44

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days	8.08
60 to 89 days	8.10
90 to 119 days	8.12
120 to 149 days	8.13
150 to 179 days	8.18
180 days	8.18

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight	7.75	- 7.875
1 month	8 1-16	- 8 3-16
3 month	8.125	- 8.25
6 month	8.125	- 8.25
Year	8 5-16	- 8 7-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:
Bid and Offered)

3 months	7.59	- 7.57
6 months	7.51	- 7.49
Year	7.42	- 7.40

Federal Funds: High 8, Low 7 7/8, Close 7 7/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7.959 up 0.030.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90234h0111 08/22/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 22) XINHUA - A POWERFUL TYPHOON, THE 14TH THIS YEAR, MOVED THROUGH WESTERN JAPAN TODAY, KILLING TWO PEOPLE AND INJURING 17.

THE TYPHOON, WITH MAXIMUM CENTER WINDS OF 25 METERS PER SECOND, KILLED ON PERSON EACH IN OKAYAM AND MIYAZAKI PREFECTURES AND INJURED 17 IN FIVE OTHER PREFECTURES IN WESTERN JAPAN, POLICE SAID.

IT ALSO FLOODED 180 HOUSES AND DISRUPTED MORE THAN 250 FLIGHTS. IT MAY LAND ON HOKKAIDO, NORTHERN JAPAN, ON THURSDAY ACCORDING TO THE METEOROLOGICAL AGENCY.

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#90234h0117 08/22/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
MANAGUA (AUG. 22) XINHUA - INFANT MORTALITY IN MANAGUA AND ITS OUTSKIRTS "TENDS TO RISE OVER AN AVERAGE OF 35 DEATHS A WEEK," ACCORDING TO THE HEALTH MINISTRY'S LATEST WEEKLY EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORT.

DR. DOMINIQUE DEJOUR OF THE MINISTRY'S DEPARTMENT OF EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SURVEILLANCE SAID TUESDAY THAT 36 INFANTS UNDER FIVE YEARS OF AGE DIED IN MANAGUA LAST WEEK DUE TO DIARRHEA, MEASLES, AND ACUTE RESPIRATORY AND POST-NATAL INFECTIONS.

SO FAR IN AUGUST SEVEN CHILDREN IN THE CAPITAL HAVE DIED OF DIARRHEA ALONE DEJOUR SAID, WHILE DURING THIS SAME PERIOD, 140 CASES OF CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM THE AFFLICTION HAVE BEEN REPORTED EACH WEEK.

DEJOUR SAID THAT THE POPULATIONS MOST AT RISK FROM THESE CHILDHOOD PLAGUES RESIDE IN RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED SETTLEMENTS THROUGHOUT MANAGUA THAT LACK HYGIENIC AND PROPER SANITARY CONDITIONS. RESIDENTS IN THESE AREAS USUALLY HAVE LITTLE OR NO POTABLE WATER, AND LACK A SEWAGE SYSTEM.

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#90234h0119 08/22/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BRASILIA (AUG. 22) XINHUA - MALARIA IS ON THE RISE IN THE NORTHERN BRAZILIAN STATE OF AMAZONAS, ACCORDING TO FIGURES RELEASED TUESDAY BY THE STATE BRANCH OF THE NATIONAL HEALTH FOUNDATION.

FROM JANUARY TO MAY OF THIS YEAR, 10,234 CASES OF MALARIA WERE REPORTED, A WORRISOME INCREASE OVER THE 10.045 CASES REGISTERED OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

AFTER 14 YEARS OF A STEADY DECREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CASES OF THE FATAL DISEASE, THE FOUNDATION FEARS MALARIA MAY BE ON AN UPWARD TREND. SO FAR

THIS YEAR, MALARIA HAS BEEN REGULARLY CLAIMING NEW VICTIMS. AT THE MANAUS INSTITUTE OF TROPICAL MEDICINE (IMTM) ALONE, AN AVERAGE OF 80 MALARIA VICTIMS ARE TREATED EACH DAY, INCLUDING NEW AND RECURRING CASES.

ACCORDING TO EXPERTS AT THE IMTM, THE GREATEST CONCERN CENTERS ON THE FACT THAT THE PEAK MONTHS FOR MALARIA CASES STILL LIE AHEAD, THESE ARE AUGUST, SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, DURING WHICH 50 PERCENT OF THE YEAR'S MALARIA INCIDENTS USUALLY OCCUR.

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#90234h0136 08/22/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MAPUTO (AUG. 22) XINHUA - MOZAMBICAN GOVERNMENT TROOPS KILLED 202 MEMBERS OF THE REBEL MOZAMBICAN NATIONAL RESISTANCE (MNR) OVER THE PERIOD FROM JULY TO AUGUST 15 IN THE PROVINCES OF INHAMBANE AND ZAMBEZIA, RADIO MOZAMBIQUE REPORTED TODAY.

THE RADIO ADDED THAT DURING THE SAME PERIOD, THE GOVERNMENT FORCES ALSO DESTROYED 12 MNR CAMPS IN THE SOUTHERN MOZAMBICAN PROVINCE OF INHAMBANE AND SEVEN OTHERS IN THE CENTRAL PROVINCE OF ZAMBEZIA.

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#90234h0146 08/22/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BUCHAREST (AUG. 22) XINHUA - TWO PEOPLE DIED AND FIVE WERE INJURED WHEN AN EXPRESS TRAIN FROM BUDAPEST, HUNGARY, COLLIDED WITH A LOCOMOTIVE 200 KILOMETRES NORTH OF HERE YESTERDAY. RAIL TRAFFIC WAS HELD UP FOR OVER FIVE HOURS.

THE TWO DRIVERS IN THE LOCOMOTIVE WERE KILLED INSTANTLY AND THE TWO DRIVERS IN THE EXPRESS AND THREE PASSANGERS WERE INJURED. A SPECIAL COMMITTEE HAS BEEN SET UP TO INQUIRE INTO THE ACCIDENT.

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#90234h0150 08/22/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (AUGUST 22) XINHUA - SOUTH AFRICA'S GIANT ARMS MANUFACTURING CONGLOMERATE, ARMSCOR, TODAY REVEALED ITS LATEST LONG-RANGE MISSILE SYSTEM AT A SOUTH AFRICAN DEFENCE FORCE (SADF) ARMS DISPLAY IN PRETORIA.

A REPORT FROM PRETORIA SAID THAT KNOWN AS THE ZT3, THE 127 MM LONG-RANGE MISSILE OPERATES ON A LASER COMMAND-TO-LINE-SIGHT PRINCIPLE AND IS SAID TO BE CAPABLE OF PENETRATING MORE THAN 650MM INTO ARMORED STEEL.

THE ZT3 SYSTEM MAY ALSO BE FITTED TO THE SOUTH AFRICAN-BUILT "ROOIVALK" ATTACK HELICOPTER, PUBLICLY DISPLAYED FOR THE FIRST TIME A FEW MONTHS AGO.

IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE MISSILE SYSTEM HAS BEEN OPERATIONALLY TESTED IN

ANGOLA DURING THE OPERATION MODULAR IN 1987, ACCORDING TO EUROPEAN DEFENCE SOURCES QUOTED BY JANE'S DEFENCE WEEKLY.

ACCORDING TO THE MAGAZINE, THE SYSTEM WAS THOUGHT TO HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR SOME OF THE MORE THAN 90 TANK CASUALTIES SUFFERED BY THE ANGOLAN ARMY. SOUTH AFRICA FOUGHT ON THE SIDE OF THE NATIONAL UNION FOR THE TOTAL INDEPENDENCE OF ANGOLA (UNITA) REBEL MOVEMENT IN ANGOLA UNTIL LAST YEAR.

SOUTH AFRICA IS ONE OF THE TEN LEADING ARMS EXPORTERS IN THE WORLD TODAY.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN-BUILT G5 LONG-RANGE CANNON IS KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN SOLD TO BOTH IRAQ AND IRAN SINCE 1981. SOUTH AFRICAN WEAPONS HAVE ALSO BEEN SOLD TO COUNTRIES IN LATIN AMERICA, NO- TABLY CHILE.

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#90234h0157 08/22/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ADDIS ABABA (AUG. 22) XINHUA - ETHIOPIAN JUSTICE MINISTER WONDAYEN MIHRETU LEFT HERE TODAY FOR HAVANA TO ATTEND THE EIGHTH UNITED NATIONS CONGRESS ON THE PREVENTION OF CRIME AND THE TREATMENT OF OFFENDERS TO BE HELD THERE NEXT WEEK.

BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE, MR. WONDAYEN SAID THAT THE 12-DAY GATHERING WILL DISCUSS SUCH TOPICS AS CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE IN THE CONTEXT OF DEVELOPMENT, INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICIES.

IT WILL ALSO GIVE EMPHASIS TO THE NEED OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TO COMBAT TERRORISM, ORGANIZED CRIME, DRUG TRAFFI- CKING AND VARIOUS ECONOMIC CRIMES AS WELL AS CRIMES AGAINST THE ENVIRONMENT.

ACCORDING TO THE ETHIOPIAN NEWS AGENCY, THE ETHIOPIAN DELE- GATION WILL PRESENT TO THE MEETING A PAPER UNDER THE TITLE "INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE FOR THE 21ST CENTURY".

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#90234h0165 08/22/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (AUG. 22) XINHUA - THE ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION IN KENYA'S NATIONAL AND GAME PARKS IS ENDANGERING THE LIVES OF WILD ANIMALS, DIRECTOR OF KENYA WILDLIFE SERVICES RICHARD LEAKEY SAID TODAY.

HE TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE THAT ELEPHANTS, BABOONS AND MONKEYS ARE MOST AFFECTED.

THE DROPPINGS OF WILD ANIMALS ARE FREQUENTLY FOUND CONSISTING OF BOTTLETOPS, BROKEN GLASS, PLASTIC AND OTHER ITEMS OF WASTE, DR. LEAKEY ADDED.

"THOUGH WE STOPPED POACHING IN OUR PARKS, OUR ELEPHANTS ARE DYING BECAUSE OF POISONING," SAID THE DIRECTOR.

STUDIES OF BABOONS AND MONKEYS INDICATE THAT THESE ANIMALS ARE 25 PERCENT TO 35 PERCENT HEAVIER THAN THEIR NORMAL WEIGHT OF 15 KILOGRAMS BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT EATING THEIR TRADITIONAL FOOD.

THEY CANNOT CLIMB TREES AND IF THEY DO, THEY BREAK BRANCHES, SAID DR. LEAKEY, ADDING THAT THIS NEW PHENOMENON MAKES THEM DIE SOONER THAN NORMAL.

HE URGED HOTELS AND LODGES IN THE NATIONAL PARKS AND GAME RESERVES TO STRICTLY FOLLOW THE PROCEDURES FOR THE DISPOSAL OF WASTES.

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#90234j0001 08/22/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

(AUG. 22) JOURNAL GRAPHICS - Summarizing the previous day's television programs transcribed by Journal Graphics, Inc. Full transcripts available by fax or mail.

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Nightline (ABC) August 21, 1990 (Transcript #2412)

Iraqi Rhetoric and Military Reality: Does Iraq's military might measure up to its rhetoric, and how would the U.S. military capability match that of Iraq if push came to shove? Guests include Undersecretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz, military analyst Edward Luttwak, and former Secretary of the Navy John Lehman.

Nova (WGBH) August 21, 1990 (Transcript #1210)

Monarch of the Mountains: An exploration of the breeding, migration and survival patterns of the Rocky Mountain elk.

Adam Smith's Money World August 21, 1990 (Transcript #626)

Goulash Capitalism: Hungary's Recipe for Change: Hungary is getting a taste of the sweet side of a free market economy: fancy shops, high-tech industry, even a stock market. But undoing 40 years of Communism also means swallowing the bitter side of capitalism: inflation and unemployment.

Larry King Live (CNN) August 21, 1990 (Transcript #112)

Bush's Mideast Moves Too Fast? / Legalized Prostitution: Foreign policy analyst Ted Galen Carpenter and former Reagan NSC staffer Sven Kraemer discuss the build-up of U.S. military forces in the Persian Gulf. Dr. Gary Richwald of the UCLA Public Health Department, syndicated columnist Cal Thomas, and Nevada brothel owner Russell Reade debate the health and moral issues involved in legalizing prostitution.

Inside Corporate America (FNN)

August 21, 1990 (Transcript #59)

The Oil Services Industry: Guests John McCabe (Sterling Manhattan), Bob Palmer (Rowan Companies, Inc.), Ken Miller (Lehman Bros.) and Douglas Rock (Smith International) analyze the oil industry in terms of potential investment, with particular attention to the recent turmoil in the Middle East.

Crossfire (CNN) August 21, 1990 (Transcript #122)

A Diplomatic Dilemma: Iraqi Ambassador to the United Nations Abdul al-Anbari discusses whether the Persian Gulf conflict has escalated beyond the possibility of a diplomatic solution.

Moneyline (CNN) August 21, 1990 (Transcript #166)

Trading was hectic in energy futures; energy conservation is the cry as the Persian Gulf crisis pushes up oil prices; Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher does not agree that the U.S. is in a recession; index arbitrage is a major force in the Nikkei's plunge; takeover rumors for Paramount Communications.

Oprah Winfrey Show August 21, 1990 (Transcript #1027)

You've Changed and Your Friends are Upset: Guests tell their stories of people who have had dramatic personality changes after some life-changing event like plastic surgery, weight loss or divorce. Therapist Eva Margolies offers advice.

Geraldo August 21, 1990 (Transcript #764)

Crime, Punishment and Executing the Disabled: A debate over what the punishment should be for someone who is considered handicapped when that person has committed a crime; also how to punish someone who commits a crime against the handicapped.

Sally Jessy Raphael August 21, 1990 (Transcript #512)

Private Adoptions Gone Bad: Michelle Launders, the late Lisa Steinberg's

natural mother, talks about her daughter's illegal adoption and death by her adoptive father. Adoption experts discuss the current adoption system and what could be done to improve it.

Donahue August 21, 1990 (Transcript #3016)

Periods of Sexual Inactivity (R-#2592): Guests discuss sexual dry spells -- possible causes, how long they last, and what should a partner do while his or her mate's not interested?

Good Morning America (ABC) August 21, 1990 (Transcript #1092)

Iraq's biological weapons; culture shock for American servicewomen; the other hostages; Taking Care of Business and Air America reviews; deja-vu ads; women producers; Christa Larson interview; Jaime Escalante, ''a teacher who delivers''; back to school: making homework work.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) August 21, 1990 (Transcript #152)

Rikers Island Disturbance / Trump Saved Again: Injured inmates and guards are being treated at Rikers Island. The New Jersey Casino Control Commission has now staved off what Donald Trump's lawyers say could have been the collapse of his real estate empire.

Wednesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Homosexuality & the Military Sally Jessy Raphael: Rape: The Attack Never Ends Geraldo: Cult Moms Oprah Winfrey: My Wife is Cheating on Us

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#90234k0005 08/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 22) KYODO - JAPAN AIRLINES (JAL) IS PLANNING TO BUILD HOTELS IN SINGAPORE, THAILAND, MALAYSIA, AND INDONESIA, A SENIOR COMPANY OFFICIAL SAID HERE WEDNESDAY.

TAKEHIKO KATO, VICE PRESIDENT AND REGIONAL MANAGER OF THE AIRLINE'S SINGAPORE OFFICE, SAID JAL IS MAKING THE MOVE IN PREPARATION FOR THE EXPECTED ARRIVAL OF MORE JAPANESE TOURISTS AFTER THE EXPANSION OF NARITA AIRPORT AND THE COMPLETION OF KANSAI AIRPORT.

KATO SAID THE AIRLINE NEEDS TO HAVE ITS OWN HOTEL IN SINGAPORE TO OVERCOME THE DIFFICULTY OF FINDING ROOMS FOR ITS PASSENGERS HERE.

''JAPAN AIRLINES MUST HAVE ONE HOTEL IN SINGAPORE BECAUSE SINGAPORE IS A BIG DESTINATION FOR US,'' HE SAID. JAL CURRENTLY OPERATES 20 WEEKLY

FIGHTS TO SINGAPORE FROM JAPAN.

ALTHOUGH THE OCCUPANCY RATE FOR HOTELS IN SINGAPORE HAD FALLEN TO 85.1 PERCENT IN MAY THIS YEAR, THE RATE ROSE AS HIGH AS 93.2 PERCENT IN THE PEAK PERIOD IN NOVEMBER LAST YEAR, MAKING IT HARD TO GET ROOMS.

KATO SAID HIS COMPANY IS NOW STUDYING PROPOSALS FROM JAPAN'S SOGO CO. RETAIL GROUP WHICH BOUGHT A PRESTIGIOUS SHOPPING COMPLEX AND AN ADJOINING PLOT OF LAND FOR 690 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS LAST YEAR, AND TWO LOCAL DEVELOPERS.

HE DECLINED TO GIVE THE COST OF THE SINGAPORE PROJECT. BUT ACCORDING TO A REPORT IN THE LOCAL BUSINESS TIMES NEWSPAPER, HOTELIERS ESTIMATE THAT IT WILL COST AT LEAST 75 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

TWO OTHER JAPANESE AIRLINES, ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS AND JAPAN AIR SYSTEM, ALREADY HAVE THEIR OWN HOTELS IN SINGAPORE.

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#90234k0067 08/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 22) KYODO - NIPPON SEMICONDUCTOR CO., AFFILIATED WITH KAWASAKI STEEL CORP., SAID WEDNESDAY IT PLANS TO INCREASE SEMICONDUCTOR PRODUCTION BY 60 PERCENT FROM EARLY 1992.

THE COMPANY SAID NEW PRODUCTION FACILITIES WILL BE BUILT AT ITS FACTORY IN TSUKUBA, IBARAKI PREFECTURE, AT A COST OF ABOUT 20 BILLION YEN.

THE NEW PLANT WILL START OPERATION IN APRIL 1992, MANUFACTURING 150,000 SIX-INCH WAFERS A YEAR FOR U.S. SEMICONDUCTOR MAKER, LSI LOGIC.

THE COMPANY SAID IT DECIDED TO EXPAND ITS PRODUCTION CAPACITY BECAUSE IT WOULD WRITE OFF CUMULATIVE DEBTS ESTIMATED AT 470 MILLION YEN DURING THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR ENDING IN DECEMBER.

IT SAID THE NEW PLANT WILL HAVE A PRODUCTION LINE CAPABLE OF PRODUCING ULTRASMALL CHIPS USED FOR FOUR MEGABIT DYNAMIC RANDOM ACCESS MEMORIES.

THE COMPANY WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1985, AND IS 45 PERCENT OWNED BY KAWASAKI STEEL AND 55 PERCENT BY LSI LOGIC. IT HAS A PLANT WITH AN ANNUAL CAPACITY OF 240,000 SIX-INCH WAFERS.

THE COMPANY FORECASTS ITS PRETAX PROFIT WILL INCREASE 32.3 PERCENT OVER THE LAST YEAR TO 700 MILLION YEN, ON SALES OF 8.8 BILLION YEN, UP 25.7 PERCENT.

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#90234k0068 08/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 22) KYODO - TEIJIN LTD. SAID WEDNESDAY IT HAS FILED SUIT AGAINST 11 COMPANIES FOR ALLEGED VIOLATION OF ITS PATENTS ON THE PRODUCTION OF A MEDICINE FOR OSTEOPOROSIS, A BONE CONDITION OFTEN AFFLICTING OLD PEOPLE.

THE COMPANY SAID IT IS ASKING THE TOKYO DISTRICT COURT TO HALT THE COMPANY'S PRODUCTION AND SALES OF ALFACALCIDOL, WHICH TEIJIN DEVELOPED.

THE 11 COMPANIES INCLUDE KURARAY CO., A SYNTHETIC FIBER MAKER, TOYO JOZO CO. OF SHIZUOKA AND SAWAI PHARMACEUTICAL CO. OF OSAKA.

THE COMPANY TOOK THE ACTION AFTER WARNING 25 MANUFACTURERS OF THE DRUG NOT TO VIOLATE ITS PATENTS.

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#90234k0075 08/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 22) KYODO - JAPAN'S TOP BEER MAKER KIRIN BREWERY CO. ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY IT WILL ENTER THE RICE MARKET, WITH EMPHASIS ON SALES OF LONG-GRAIN RICE.

THE COMPANY SAID IT PLANS TO SELL 40 TONS OF INDICA RICE THIS YEAR, 13 TIMES MORE THAN LAST YEAR WHEN THE COMPANY MARKETED THE PRODUCT ON AN EXPERIMENTAL BASIS.

THE COMPANY PROJECTS SALES INCREASES TO SEVERAL HUNDRED TONS NEXT YEAR, AND TO 1,000 TONS ANNUALLY IN THREE TO FIVE YEARS' TIME.

KIRIN WILL BE THE FIRST FOOD PROCESSING COMPANY TO ENTER THE RICE MARKET.

COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID RICE ACCOUNTS FOR ABOUT 30 PERCENT OF JAPAN'S AGRICULTURAL MARKET, ESTIMATED AT ABOUT 12 TRILLION YEN A YEAR.

OFFICIALS SAID IT WAS STRANGE THAT ONLY SHORT-GRAIN JAPONICA RICE WAS AVAILABLE ON THE DIVERSIFYING FOOD MARKET.

INDICA RICE IS PRODUCED MAINLY IN SOUTHEAST ASIAN COUNTRIES. IT IS HARDER THAN JAPANESE RICE AND GOOD FOR WESTERN-STYLE COOKING.

KIRIN LAST YEAR MARKETED A HYBRID RICE, NAMED RINX 89, BASED ON SPECIES IMPORTED FROM EAST AND WEST ASIA.

ENCOURAGED BY ITS POPULARITY, THE COMPANY DECIDED TO EXPAND ACREAGE FROM 69 ACRES TO 10 HECTARES THIS YEAR.

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#90234m0003 08/22/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys
FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 22) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

Investors are "a little afraid to get a little too short of dollars," says GILBERT CISNEROS, a trader at the BANK OF BOSTON's New York office. "If something does spark" in the Middle East, he says, "it's expensive to get the dollars back." (NYT, 8/22)

The dollar is under pressure from "relatively low interest rates, an anticipation of even lower rates and weak economic factors." says JEFF MONDSCHEIN, a managing director at CONTINENTAL BANK. "The question today is why did the dollar come back. ... It's an enigma." (Reuters, 8/22)

"A lot of volatility in the stock and bond markets transferred into the foreign exchange," says ROBERT WHITE, a manager of corporate foreign-exchange trading at FIRST INTERSTATE BANK in Los Angeles. The declines in stocks and bonds helped drag the dollar lower in early trading yesterday, but it rose again ending mixed against most currencies. (WSJ, 8/22)

The government "gets less revenues during a recession and have to spend more," explains CAROLINE BAUM of TELERATE. "It is all bad news for government borrowing and interest rates." Baum believes that the Fed will decide to hold tight and not to ease at the current FOMC meeting. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/21)

"If [the Fed] tries to ease now ... long bond players will become more disturbed and they're going to fear that the Fed is just pulling away from the inflation fight altogether and that would only be more disastrous for the long end of the yield curve," says STEPHEN GALLAGHER, economist at KIDDER, PEABODY.

"So, because of the Middle East crisis, the Fed is just going to hold on to its hands, waiting, postponing that easing move until oil prices can settle down." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/21)

"The [bond] market was getting ahead of itself on the sell side," says STEVE RICCHUITO, economist at BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD SECURITIES INC., explaining the rebound in the bond market yesterday. "When the yield [on the 30-year bond] went above the 9% level, the market started to attract interest from investors." (WSJ, 8/22)

"The long-end of the [Treasury] market is going to have a very difficult time except on a trading basis" for the intermediate term, says VIC

SPERANDEO of RAND MANAGEMENT. "If things settle down in the Middle East then, obviously, long bonds will do well because the price of oil will drop, but other than that bonds are in a downtrend." (FNN's "Marketwrap", 8/21)

There is no economic data scheduled for release today that will affect the credit market. Consequently, "We'll trade headline to headline," says ROBERT BRUSCA, chief economist at NIKKO SECURITIES CO. INTERNATIONAL INC. "Everybody's hanging on every word out of the Middle East. And they'll be watching oil prices." (Reuters, 8/22)

"Treasurys rode a roller coaster driven by the oil market," says RAYMOND STONE, managing director at STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. (WSJ, 8/22)

THE ECONOMY:

"I think the fact that we are building our exports and that we already had a slow growth, but a continued growth is going to keep us from any recession, and I think we're going to be in a period of slow growth for now, building next year to a faster growth," says U.S. COMMERCE SECRETARY ROBERT MOSBACHER. (CNN "Moneyline", 8/21)

IN WASHINGTON:

"We are not going to get much progress on the budget until after the crisis in the Middle East ... recedes," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist for "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." He notes there are now indications the deficit could reach $300 billion and says there is little chance for anything more than a $20 billion or $30 billion reduction. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/21)

The government says it had a $25.93 billion deficit for July, which is more than $7 billion larger than it was in July 1989. JERRY ZUKOWSKI, an economist at PAINEWEBBER, calculates that tax receipts are running 4.3% ahead of last year compared with an average increase during the previous two fiscal years of 7.8%.

At the same time, he says government expenditures are 10.6% higher than they were last fiscal year at this time, compared with an average rise of 5.6% in the two previous fiscal years. "We're basically getting hit from both sides in terms of the federal budget deficit this year," he says. (WSJ, 8/22)

"We need the President to speak to the nation about the importance of energy conservation," says MARK HOPKINS of the ALLIANCE TO SAVE ENERGY. "We could make cars that have average fuel efficiencies of 40 miles to the gallon." (CNN "Moneyline", 8/21)

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#90234p7560 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
DAYTON, OHIO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - America is experiencing a mini-boom of pre-school aged children, born to a swelling workforce of Baby Boom moms. Getting these kids and their mothers to play together creatively is the aim of a new line of stationery products from Mead, the nation's largest provider of school supplies.

"There are 18.5 million children in the U.S. between the ages of three and seven," said Mark D. Rexroat, marketing manager for Mead's school supplies. "Mead's new Safari(TM) Party line is designed to foster creative fun and learning in this age group."

Of the 60 percent of American women who work outside the home, half of them are mothers with children under the age of six. "We talked with dozens of them, as well as child psychologists, in the development of our products and found that all mothers were concerned about a lack of time for playing with their children," Rexroat said. "In addition, many felt they lacked the skills necessary to encourage creative play."

Safari Party products come packaged with suggestions for child-oriented activities and ideas for how parents and children can play together. For example, the drawing pad explains how to use its paper for texture rubbings of bark, leaves and coins, as well as how to draw animals by tracing hands and feet. Instructions are written simply, so that young children can easily understand.

"Many items were tested by mothers of pre-school children," said Rexroat. "Our research revealed a primary need for products that appeal to both children and parents, and that help children learn while having fun."

Child development experts agree that participative games and dramatic play are how pre-schoolers learn best. At that age, youngsters need to invent their own rules, act out their own ideas.

Mead (NYSE: MEA) is a leading supplier of school and office supplies, headquartered in Dayton, Ohio. Mead is inventor of the Trapper Keeper(R) and Trapper(R) series, America's most popular line of fashion school supplies.

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#90234p7564 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - If rising gasoline prices and increasing

airfares have left you in a quandary about your vacation plans, then now just may be the time to take a cruise.

A common misconception is that because oil prices are going up, cruise prices must be, too. In fact, the opposite is true -- cruise prices are actually going down. "The fall is off-season and most companies are offering incentives during what is traditionally the slowest time of the year. This translates into some incredible vacation values for consumers " said Bob Dickinson, senior vice president of sales and marketing for Miami-based Carnival Cruise Lines.

For instance, Carnival is offering passengers a savings of $600 per cabin for seven-day Caribbean cruises and $300 for its three- and four-day cruises to the Bahamas for most cabin categories. When considering the savings are applied to lower off-season cruise fares, that brings the cost of a seven-day cruise to as low as $795 per person and a four-day to $455. And these prices include round-trip airfare to Florida or San Juan from most cities east of the Rockies.

"Anyone postponing fall vacation plans should reconsider because with cruise prices like these you can hardly afford to stay home," said Dickinson.

While Carnival specializes in relatively short contemporary cruises for middle-America, similar savings are available on more upscale products as well. The venerable Holland America Line offers sailings ranging from seven and 10 days to the Caribbean to 10-day Panama Canal transits. "We found the premium cruise vacation passenger has a keen appreciation for value," says Kirk Lanterman, president and CEO of Holland America. Thus, many of its fall incentives come in the form of "value added bonuses." At no extra charge, passengers can choose from a seven-night Florida Drive Yourself package, a $650 value, a Disney three-night add-on, a free round-trip flight to any of 160 destinations on U.S. Air, or a $200 per couple on-board ship credit. Holland America's seven-day Caribbean cruises, including round-trip airfare, begin at $1,149 per person, while 10-day cruises begin at $1,619.

CONTACT: Tim Gallagher of Carnival Cruise Lines, 305-599-2600, ext. 776; or Rich Skinner of Holland America Line, 206-281-3535

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#90234p7566 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SIMI VALLEY, CALIF. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Datron Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: DTSI) today adopted a Stockholder Rights Plan intended to help assure that all Datron stockholders receive fair and equal treatment in the event of an unsolicited attempt to acquire Datron, and to protect stockholders from partial tender offers and other abusive

takeover tactics to gain control of Datron without paying all stockholders a fair price.

The plan provides for the distribution to stockholders of one Right for each share of Datron common stock outstanding on Sept. 5, 1990. Datron will mail a letter to its stockholders in the near future containing details of the Stockholders Rights Plan.

The Plan provides, among other things, that if any person becomes the beneficial owner of 20 percent or more of Datron's outstanding common stock, each Right (other than Rights held by the 20 percent stockholder) will be exercisable, on and after the close of business on the 10th business day following such event, to purchase Datron securities having a value equal to two times the then current exercise price of the Rights (initially $32.50).

The Plan further provides, among other things, that if, on or after the occurrence of such event, Datron is acquired in a merger or other similar business combination, each Right (other than Rights held by the 20 percent stockholder) will be exercisable to purchase securities of the acquiring entity having a value equal to two times the exercise price of the Rights.

The Rights expire on Sept. 5, 2000 and are subject to redemption by the Board of Directors at 1 cent per Right at any time prior to the first date upon which they become exercisable.

Datron Systems Inc. is a leading designer and manufacturer of specialized radio and satellite communication systems and high-quality microwave products for military, governmental and commercial use worldwide.

CONTACT: Douglas Sherk or Maria Quillard, 415-296-7383; or David Walke, 212-986-5900, all of Morgen-Walke Associates for Datron Systems Inc.

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#90234p7576 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Pacific Data Products Inc. (PDPI) today announced a bundled version of its "PacificPage" PostScript emulation cartridge and 2 MB 1-2-4 Plus memory board to provide HP LaserJet Series II users with a high quality desktop publishing printer system.

"LaserJet Series II users are demanding cost-effective PostScript solutions for their installed printers and vendors must address these needs appropriately," said Mick O'Rourke, vice president of marketing, Pacific Data Products Inc. "By offering this new bundling option, desktop publishing users can now add a high quality PostScript emulation to their printer including a 2 MB memory board, all for under $500. The same solution using a competitive cartridge and a 2 MB HP memory board

retails for over $1,200. That's just too much to pay to upgrade an existing printer."

"Pacific Page" is a PostScript language emulation cartridge for the HP LaserJet Series II printer. When plugged into the printer's cartridge slot, "PacificPage" gives the user immediate access to 35 Apple LaserWriter IINT equivalent font families in unlimited point sizes. "PacificPage" provides all PostScript version 51.9 capabilities, including reversed text, scaled fonts, text rotation, and complex high resolution graphics, such as arcs, circles, screens, patterns, and half-tone images.

The "1-2-4 Plus" upgradeable memory board for the LaserJet Series II is provided in a 2 MB configuration and is user upgradeable to 4 MB. The additional memory is essential for supporting the "PacificPage" cartridge and can also be used for downloading fonts and forms, desktop publishing and CAD/CAM applications.

Suggested Retail Price for the bundled version:	$499
Product availability:	Aug. 13, 1990

Pacific Data Products Inc, a wholly owned subsidiary of Digital Communications Associates Inc. (NYSE: DCA) (DCA), is a producer of products designed to facilitate the production of high quality output from laser printers. Pacific Data designs and manufactures a full line of font and emulation cartridges, connectivity products and memory expansion boards that upgrade the capability and performance of Hewlett-Packard LaserJet printers.

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#90234p7577 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Pacific Data Products Inc. (PDPI) today announced "Pacific T Memory," an upgradeable memory board that allows users to expand the standard 512K memory of TEC engine laser printers by two or four megabytes. The "Pacific T Memory" board provides the laser printing power essential for current desktop publishing applications such as extensive graphics, scanned images and printer sharing, at a very attractive price.

"Pacific T Memory" enables users of the Epson, Toshiba, AT&T, MCR, Mannesmann Tally, and Packard Bell laser printers to continue to upgrade their printer memory by simply plugging in additional chips. The memory board can be configured with two or four megabytes of memory and is covered by a lifetime warranty.

"'Pacific T Memory' offers users a memory product with three significant advantages: 1) a price that is a fraction of other alternatives; 2) a lifetime warranty; and 3) an ability to upgrade the 2 MB version to 4 MB by simply adding memory chips," said Mick O'Rourke, vice president of marketing, Pacific Data Products Inc.

Beginning with the 2 megabyte configuration, "Pacific T Memory" offers users additional memory to download soft fonts and forms, print full page 300 dpi graphics, and use emulations that require additional memory. Users can also print complex text and graphics or large font sizes effectively. For more sophisticated desktop publishing, greater graphics capabilities and CAD/CAM images, users can add chips for a total of 4 megabytes, the maximum in expansion memory.

Suggested Retail Price:	2 MB	$399
	4 MB	$699
Date of availability:	July 27, 1990	

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#90234p7578 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Xsirius Superconductivity Inc. (NASDAQ: XSCIA), a Scottsdale firm engaged in the commercialization of high temperature superconductors, announced today that Alan E. (Lanny) Ross, vice president and general manager of Rockwell International Corp. (NYSE: ROK), has joined its board of directors.

Ross manages Rockwell's Digital Communications unit, known as a world leader in high technology applications such as microcontrollers, filter products and various semiconductors.

From 1988 to April of this year, he was vice president and general manager of Rockwell's Network Transmission Systems unit in Richardson, Texas. There, he oversaw the development of a number of technologies and products in the optical data transmissions field.

Before joining Rockwell, Ross headed National Semiconductor Corp.'s ASIC Division. He also served in various executive capacities for GTE Communications Products and Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp.

Dr. Gerald Huth, Xsirius' president and CEO, said, "Mr. Ross' involvement on our board brings us another step closer to marketing high temperature superconductor applications."

Xsirius Superconductivity Inc. is commercializing high temperature superconductors through partnerships with larger corporations, patent acquisitions and innovative research and development. Xsirius' overall strategy is to have access to a broad range of materials development in the high temperature superconductivity field from both internally developed sources such as its advanced high temperature superconductivity thin film facility in Israel and from laboratories, universities and other groups around the world.

CONTACT: Gerald Huth, Ph.D., president and CEO, or Steve Yost, 602-991-3488, both of Xsirius Superconductivity Inc.

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#90234p7582 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - JPS Textile Group, Inc. has extended until midnight, New York time, on Wednesday, Aug. 22, 1990, the expiration date, consent solicitation and withdrawal rights relating to each of the following: JPS's cash tender offer for all of its outstanding senior variable rate notes due 1996, senior subordinated discount notes due 1999 and 15-1/4 percent senior subordinated notes due 1999, at a purchase price of $750, $256.07 and $400, respectively, per $1,000 principal amount tendered; its cash tender offer for all of its outstanding shares of Series A exchangeable adjustable rate preferred stock, at a purchase price of $10 per share tendered; and its offer to exchange $1,000 principal amount of its new 6 percent (Pay-in-Kind) subordinated debentures due 1999 for each $1,000 principal amount of its outstanding 14-1/4 percent subordinated debentures due 2000. Each such offer, which originally commenced on July 20, 1990, was scheduled to expire at midnight, on Aug. 21, 1990, unless extended.

As of Aug. 21, 1990, approximately $1,600,000 in outstanding principal amount of the senior variable rate notes was tendered for purchase and not withdrawn, and no other JPS securities had been tendered pursuant to the offers.

CONTACT: James Fingeroth or Maureen Burgess of Kekst & Co., 212-593-2655 for JPS Textile Group

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#90234p7583 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
LONDON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Reuters Holdings PLC (NASDAQ: RTRSY) reported that managing director and chief executive, Glen Renfrew, made a disposal of 210,000 of the company's ordinary shares yesterday. His remaining holding is 849,378 shares.

Renfrew said he made the disposal in order to meet loan repayments and settle tax liabilities.

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#90234p7584 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
VANCOUVER, B.C. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Modatech Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: MODAF; VSE: MOD) today announced the signing of a letter of intent with Helene Curtis Inc., a leading manufacturer of hair care products, to develop an enhanced sales force automation system for its 250 national sales representatives.

Terms of the agreement were not made public. Modatech's proprietary software system allows sales representatives to directly enter retail store level sales activity and transmit the consolidated information to a centralized data bank available to all levels of sales management.

According to Derek Schwartz, executive vice president of Modatech Systems, Inc., "Our system is designed to be a competitive sales tool for sales representatives. It stores daily retail sales information and is accessible through a laptop computer. It was created so that all their comprehensive sales information will literally be at their fingertips."

Schwartz explained that the system provides order and shipment information up-to-date sales history reports, current sales statistics, product distribution, display activity, and shelf merchandising information.

Helene Curtis, Inc., based in Chicago, is a leading manufacturer of hair care products under the brand names Suave, Finesse, and Salon Selectives.

Modatech Systems, Inc. is a developer, manufacturer and marketer of sales force automation services for retail oriented manufacturing companies.

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#90234p7589 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
UPPER SADDLE RIVER, N.J. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Corporation (NYSE: WU) has extended the period of its current exchange offer, which had been scheduled to expire at midnight on Aug. 21, to midnight on Aug. 22, 1990.

In the exchange offer, which is a key component of the company's recapitalization plan, Western Union is proposing to issue new notes and common shares in exchange for up to $530 million of its presently outstanding 19-1/4 percent senior secured notes and 16 percent notes. The reclassification of Western Union preferred shares into common shares, which is the other major component of the recapitalization plan, was approved by the company's shareholders on Aug. 16.

Preliminary figures indicate that as of midnight on Aug. 21, $321,512,000 aggregate principal amount of Western Union's 19-1/4 percent notes and $1,207,000 aggregate principal amount of its 16 percent notes had been tendered in the current exchange offer (including securities as to which delivery has been guaranteed).

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#90234p7594 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
LAS VEGAS, NV (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - ATI Medical Inc. (AMEX: ATI) expects to report net earnings of approximately $2,400,000, or 45 cents per share, on record revenues of approximately $50 million for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990, it was reported today by Paul E. Stevenson, chairman and chief executive officer.

The earnings will be lower than anticipated, due primarily to non-recurring costs associated with the startup of its new Americare subsidiary serving the $3.0 billion home health care market. These expenses adversely affected results by approximately $500,000, or six cents per share, and were reflected in a loss for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990. The company's current cash position remains strong.

In the prior fiscal year, ATI reported net earnings of $2.2 million, or 41 cents per share, on revenues of $39.1 million. Audited results for fiscal 1990 will be reported soon.

Stevenson said that while a lower hospital census in the last three months of the fiscal year also affected operating results, the company's total volume in July was at record levels and ATI resumed profitability in that month.

Despite the temporary disruption in earnings growth, Stevenson said the

company should continue to show profit improvement in fiscal 1991, out distancing the last two years. Revenues are anticipated to reach at least $60 million, a 20 percent improvement over 1990. ATI expects improved margins as a result of its new Americare and CAMS subsidiaries.

He added that the investment in the Americare subsidiary would show substantial tangible benefit in fiscal 1991's earnings.

ATI Medical Inc. rents medical equipment primarily to hospitals as well as the entertainment industry through offices in major cities across the country. ATI also sells medical equipment and certain disposables and markets, through its subsidiary, CAMS Inc., different software systems to monitor equipment usage and inventory within hospitals.

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#90234p7598 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation's Mound Road Engine Plant today celebrates its 35th anniversary.

More than 1,400 hourly and salaried employees at the Detroit plant will be treated to lunch and an exhibit of old and new cars.

Since the plant's inception, employees have produced 15,904,041 engines and 3,849,602 rear-wheel-drive propshafts.

Mound Road engine opened as Plymouth Engine in 1955 with the production of the small-block 318 C.I.D. engine. The smaller 273 C.I.D. engine was built from 1964-69, followed by a high-performance 340 C.I.D. engine in 1971.

The plant started producing propshafts in January 1981, and the 3.9 liter V-6 in March 1986.

The plant has been expanded many times and currently encompasses 932,000 square feet. Mound Road Engine produces 3.9 liter V-6 and 5.2 liter V-8 engines that are used in the Dodge Dakota, full-size pickups and vans.

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#90234p7600 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

THE HAGUE, THE NETHERLANDS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Despite an increase in profits from life insurance, professional reinsurance, investments and

other activities, Nationale-Nederlanden N.V., the largest international insurance group in the Netherlands, reported a drop in profits at midyear compared to the same time in 1989.

The profit before taxes of $216.1 million vs. $302.2 million last year was the result of losses in non-life insurance due to claims involving weather and other disasters in Europe and North America and inadequate premium levels for aviation and marine insurance on the London market and property and casualty in North America. Net profit decreased from $207.1 million to $160.9 million.

Based on these results the previously released forecast that profits in 1990 would be at least equal to 1989 has been adjusted. The Executive Board now expects the 1990 profit to be approximately $478.5 million as compared with $517.3 million in 1989. This decrease allows for a claims burden of $37 million following the winter storms that raked northwestern Europe.

Total revenue declined by 3 percent to $6,287 million. If currency exchange rates against the Dutch guilder had remained steady, revenue would have increased by 3 percent. Revenue from all major activities grew in all geographic areas with the exception of the Australian life operations.

Profits from life insurance operations were up sharply from $97.2 million last year to $120.3 million in 1990.

Due to the aforementioned reasons non-life results fell from a profit of $56.5 million to a loss of $72.0 million.

Professional reinsurance profits rose from $4.4 million to $10.6 million.

Investments and other activities produced results of $157.2 million vs. $144.1 million during the same period last year.

On June 30, 1990, there were 148 million shares outstanding. The net profit per share was $1.09 compared with $1.46 (adjusted for capitali?ncreases) for the first half of 1989.

CONTACT: Tom Balachowski, senior vice president, Nationale-Nederlanden North America, 202-393-2001

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#90234p7603 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Mack Trucks Inc. (NASDAQ: MACK) announced today that it had entered into an amendment to its $144 million credit agreement with Citibank N.A. and Credit Lyonnais, as co-agents, and

other bank lenders.

Under the terms of the amendment, Mack received a waiver until Dec. 31, 1990, of its previously announced violation of certain financial covenants.

Under the terms of the amendment, Mack's loan will become due on Dec. 31, 1990, or 40 days after the expiration or termination of the waiting period specified in the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 applicable to the tender offer by ITM Acquisition Corp. (ITM), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Renault Vehicules Industriels (RVI), to acquire all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Mack not beneficially owned directly or indirectly by RVI if Mack has not merged with ITM by such 40th day. Mack's loan will also become due five business days after the expiration or termination of such tender offer in the event RVI does not then own a number of shares of common stock sufficient to consummate a merger of Mack and ITM without the approval of any other shareholder of Mack.

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#90234p7607 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Midwest Express Airlines today announced the addition of a third roundtrip flight each business day between Newark International Airport and its Milwaukee hub beginning Oct. 1.

Timothy E. Hoeksema, president of Midwest Express, said the schedule improvements reflect the demand for increased flights by business travelers in both cities.

"Our flights between Milwaukee and Newark have been very successful since we started the service," Hoeksema said. "We are now happy to offer additional service to better meet the needs of the business traveler." The schedule as of Oct. 1 will consist of:

TO MILWAUKEE			TO NEWARK		
Dept.	Arrv.	Days	Dept.	Arrv.	Days
11:15a	12:35p	Mon.-Fri.	7:10a	10:10a	Mon.-Fri.
11:45a	1:00p	Sat. Only	8:05a	11:05a	Sat. Only
4:20p	5:40p	Sun.-Fri.	12:30p	3:29p	Sun.-Fri.
9:40p	11:00p	Sun.-Fri.	6:10p	9:10p	Sun.-Fri.

Midwest Express Airlines, based in Milwaukee, is a wholly owned subsidiary of K-C Aviation, which, in turn, is a subsidiary of Kimberly-Clark Corp. Midwest Express has approximately 900 employees throughout its system.

Operating since June 1984, Midwest Express has earned its reputation as "The best care in the air" by offering passengers luxury-class service at coach fares or less.

A nationally reported survey of 75 major airlines has rated Midwest Express' two-by-two leather seating "the most comfortable coach seat" for three consecutive years. Midwest Express is the largest carrier at Mitchell International Airport based on daily operations.

CONTACT: Jose E. Oller, vice president, marketing of Midwest Express Airlines, (414) 747-3607.

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#90234p7608 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Midwest Express Airlines today announced the addition of a second nonstop flight each day between Los Angeles International Airport and its Milwaukee hub beginning October 1.

Timothy E. Hoeksema, president of Midwest Express, said the additional service reflects the demand for increased flights by travelers in both cities.

"Our flights between Milwaukee and Los Angeles have been very successful since we started service in March," Hoeksema said. "We are now happy to offer improved service to better meet the needs of both the business and leisure traveler." The schedule as of Oct. 1 will consist of:

TO MILWAUKEE			TO LOS ANGELES		
Departure	Arrival	Days	Departure	Arrival	Days
2:05 p.m.	8:05 p.m.	Mon.-Fri.	8:20 a.m.	10:45 a.m.	Sun.-Fri.
11:50 p.m.	5:34 a.m.	Sun.-Fri.	6:00 p.m.	8:15 p.m.	Sun.-Fri.
11:30 a.m.	5:15 p.m.	Sun. Only			

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CONTACT: Jose E. Oller, vice president-marketing of Midwest Express

Airlines, (414) 747-3607.

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#90234p7610 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, FLA. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) has announced the appointment of Ricardo A. Diaz as vice president-general manager of its Farinon Division, headquartered in San Carlos, Calif. He was formerly vice president, quality and new products on the corporate staff.

Harris' Farinon Division, which is part of the company's Communications Sector, produces microwave and lightwave voice, data, and video transmission systems. It is the largest manufacturer of low- and medium-capacity analog and digital microwave systems in North America.

Diaz joined Harris in 1984 as vice president, manufacturing programs and was named vice president, quality and new products in 1989. Prior to joining Harris, he was a principal in the technology management division of the Booz, Allen & Hamilton consulting firm. Earlier, he spent 10 years with Westinghouse Electric Corporation as an electronic design engineer and senior project manager.

He holds master's degrees in electronic engineering and management from the University of Pittsburgh, and a bachelor's degree in electronic engineering from the Catholic University of Cordoba, Argentina.

Harris Corporation, with worldwide sales of more than $3 billion, is focused on four major businesses: electronic systems, communications, semiconductors, and office equipment.

CONTACT: Jim Burke of Harris Corporation, at 407/727-9126

-30- 1585

#90234p7611 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Midwest Express Airlines today announced the expansion of service between Philadelphia International Airport and its Milwaukee hub. The carrier will add a third roundtrip flight each business day beginning October 1.

Timothy E. Hoeksema, president of Midwest Express, said the schedule improvements reflect the demand for increased service by business travelers in both cities.

"Our flights between Milwaukee and Philadelphia have been very successful since we began the service," Hoeksema said. "We are happy to offer additional service to better meet the needs of the business traveler." The

schedule as of Oct. 1 will consist of:

TO MILWAUKEE			TO PHILADELPHIA		
Departure	Arrival	Days	Departure	Arrival	Days
11:10 a.m.	12:10 p.m.	Mon.-Sat.	7:45 a.m.	10:35 a.m.	Mon.-Sat.
5:05 p.m.	6:05 p.m.	Sun.-Fri.	1:40 p.m.	4:30 p.m.	Sun.-Fri.
7:35 p.m.	8:45 p.m.	Sun.-Fri.	4:15 p.m.	7:05 p.m.	Sun.-Fri.

Midwest Express Airlines, based in Milwaukee, is a wholly owned subsidiary of K-C Aviation, which, in turn, is a subsidiary of Kimberly- Clark Corp. Midwest Express has approximately 900 employees throughout its system.

Operating since June 1984, Midwest Express has earned its reputation as "The best care in the air" by offering passengers luxury-class service at coach fares or less.

A nationally reported survey of 75 major airlines has rated Midwest Express' two-by-two leather seating "the most comfortable coach seat" for three consecutive years. Midwest Express is the largest carrier at Mitchell International Airport based on daily operations.

CONTACT: Jose E. Oller, vice president-marketing of Midwest Express Airlines, (414) 747-3607.

-30- 1968

#90234p7612 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Commodity Futures Trading Commission said it filed a two-count administrative complaint on Tuesday, Aug. 21, 1990, against Stotler and Company, of Chicago, a registered futures commission merchant. At the same time it filed the complaint, the commission accepted an offer of settlement from Stotler.

The complaint charged that from Dec. 31, 1989, through June 30, 1990, Stotler violated the Commodity Exchange Act and commission regulations by maintaining its adjusted net capital at a level that was at least $3.9 million less than the amount required for it to continue to function as a futures commission merchant. The complaint further charged that Stotler overstated its excess adjusted net capital in separate reports it filed with the commission.

Without admitting or denying the allegations in the complaint, Stotler consented to a commission order finding that it violated the Commodity Exchange Act and commission regulations as charged.

In addition, Stotler agreed to cease and desist from further violations and agreed to a permanent trading ban and a revocation of its registration as a futures commission merchant, effective 45 days after the effective date

of the commission's order.

Finally, Stotler agreed to cooperate fully with the commission with regard to any inquiries the commission may make of Stotler, its directors, officers, employees or agents, in connection with the commission's ongoing investigation In the Matter of Stotler and Company, et al.

CONTACT: R. David Gary of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, (202) 254-8630.

-30- 1807

#90234p7613 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASSAU, BAHAMAS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - British-American Insurance Company Limited announces that the Company and the McMillen Trust have recently received several proposals for the acquisition of the outstanding shares of the Company. All of the proposals have been in the range of market prices currently quoted for shares of the Company.

The McMillen Trust, of Wilmington, Delaware, is the owner of sixty-five percent (65 percent) of the Company's shares. In December 1987, the Court of Chancery for the State of Delaware authorized and directed the Trust to sell its majority ownership in British-American, with any disposition to be subject to approval of the Court. The services of investment bankers have been engaged to assist in complying with the Court's Order. The Company has sought purchasers for the outstanding minority shares of British-American in order to give the minority shareholders of the Company an opportunity to sell their shares at the same time as the Trust.

No proposal for the acquisition of British-American has been finally accepted or approved by the Turst or the Company, and negotiations are continuing. The acceptance of any offer, and the completion of any proposed transaction, would be subject to a number of conditions including the approval of the Chancery Court.

CONTACT: Judy A. Higgs of British-American Insurance Company, Limited, 809-322-2694

-30- 1604

#90234p7615 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Skyway Airlines today announced it will offer nonstop service between Detroit and Bloomington, Ill., and direct service between Detroit and Peoria, Ill., beginning Sept. 17, 1990.

Rolly Bergeson, president of Skyway Airlines, said the service from Detroit will consist of two flights to Peoria and Bloomington each

business day, with flight times geared toward the schedule of the local business traveler.

"Our analysis of these two routes found a very high frequency of business travel," Bergeson said. "We saw an excellent opportunity to provide reliable, efficient air service between Detroit and these two cities."

Skyway operates new 19-seat, pressurized Beechcraft 1900 aircraft. Each aircraft is outfitted with high-backed leather seats, ample legroom and a tray table which provides a work area for the business traveler.

Skyway Airlines is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mesa Airlines (NASDAQ: MESA), a regional carrier based in New Mexico, and operates as the Midwest Express Connection through a marketing agreement with Milwaukee-based Midwest Express Airlines. Inaugurating service in April 1989, Skyway now serves 19 markets throughout the upper Midwest and has approximately 83 employees.

CONTACT: Jose E. Oller of Midwest Express Airlines, (414) 747-3607.

-30- 1507
#90234p7616 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Premier Industrial Corporation (NYSE: PRE) announced today that Edward B. Brandon will be proposed as a nominee for its board of directors at the annual meeting of shareholders on Oct. 9 1990.

Brandon would fill a vacancy created by the death of John Gelbach, who served as a Premier director since 1973.

Since 1956, Brandon has served in various capacities at National City Bank. In September 1987, he was elected chairman and chief executive officer of National City Corporation and chairman of its lead bank, National City Bank.

Brandon is an active leader in the Cleveland community. He is chairman of the board of trustees of the Cleveland Development Partnership, Inc. and the CSA Health Network, vice chairman of the board of advisors of Notre Dame College of Ohio; a member of the board of trustees of Saint Vincent Charity Hospital and Health Center, John Carroll University, North Coast Harbor, Inc., National Conference of Christians and Jews, Greater Cleveland Growth Association and Leadership Cleveland, Playhouse Square Foundation, Cleveland Tomorrow, University Circle, Inc., and United Way Services. Brandon is the 1990 United Way Campaign Chairman.

Brandon serves as a director of the American Bankers Association, the Association of Bank Holding Companies and the Association of Reserve City

Bankers. He is also affiliated with the International Monetary Conference.

Premier Industrial Corporation is a broad line distributor of electronic components used in the production and maintenance of equipment, a supplier of maintenance products for industrial, commercial and institutional applications, and a manufacturer of high-performance fire-fighting equipment.

CONTACT: Grant C. Grinnell of Premier Industrial Corporation, 216-391-8300.

-30- 1999

#90234p7617 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - BICC, the cables and construction group, today announced half-year pre-tax profits up 8 percent to 100 million pounds sterling. Profits attributable to shareholders moved ahead by 14 percent to 59 million pounds.

Earnings per share at 21.8p showed only slight improvement on 1989 due to an increase in the number of shares in issue. The interim dividend is being increased from 5.75p to 6.0p.

This continuing improvement in results has been achieved despite the effects of high interest rates in the United Kingdom and Australia and weaknesses in the housebuilding and property development sector.

The group's cables businesses have continued to make excellent progress in all our major markets.

Commenting on the results today, Chairman, Sir William Barlow, said: "We continue to make progress in the development of the group's management, market and technical strengths in the areas of power, communications and construction. Despite some unhelpful aspects in the current economic climate, the group's performance in 1990 should be satisfactory."

-- Pre-tax profits up 8 percent at 100 million
-- Attributable profits up 14 percent at 59 million pounds
-- BICC Cables' profits up 37 percent to 58.1 million pounds
-- North America Cables' profits up 42 percent at 21.3 million pounds
-- 46 percent of Grupo Espanol General Cable, the leading Spanish cablemaker, now owned.

Recent events in the Middle East come at a time when the group has relatively small exposure in that region.

CONTACT: Tim Sharp of BICC Group, in London: 71-629-6622

-30- 1787

#90234p7618 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Ametek Inc. (NYSE: AME) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 16 cents per share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The third quarter dividend is payable Sept. 28 to stockholders of record Sept. 14, 1990.

Ametek's board of directors also approved a program to purchase shares of the company's own common stock. In the past the company has made such purchases from time to time. The current authorization does not limit the program to a specific number of Ametek shares.

A diversified industrial manufacturer listed on the New York Stock Exchange since 1930, Ametek has 44.3 million shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Darrah Ribble of Ametek, 215-647-2121

-30- 922

#90234p7619 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KAN. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Maverick Restaurant Corporation (NASDAQ: MAVR) today reported that revenues for its second quarter ended July 31, 1990, were $3,543,728, compared to revenues of $3,654,371 for the second quarter of the prior year. Revenues for the first six months of 1990 were $7,003,935 compared to revenues of $7,132,049 for the first six months of 1989.

For the three months ended July 31, 1990, net earnings were $25,887, compared to net earnings of $20,158 for the second quarter of the prior year. For the six months ended July 31, 1990, net earnings were $69,018, or one cent per common share compared to net earnings of $45,194, or one cent per common share for the first six months of 1989.

Maverick Restaurant Corporation President, Chris F. Hotze said, "Even though earnings continue to show improvement, we are disappointed that our sales continue to be down slightly as compared to year ago levels. We believe this is primarily due to the intense competition for the food dollar which has been characterized by deep price discounting, particularly by restaurants competing in the chicken segment. We plan to intensify our promotional efforts to protect our market share as we try to maintain our operating margins."

"We will soon begin testing a spicy chicken product in our El Paso, Texas units that should help drive overall sales. Initial test results of the

product, in units operated by our franchisor, are encouraging. Also, we have begun a delivery program in El Paso that seems to be working well. We may expand this delivery concept to other units if the test results prove it to add incrementally to bottom line earnings."

"We are continuing to amortize our debt at a rapid rate. During the first six months of 1990 we have reduced our long-term debt by $290,192 leaving a balance at July 31, 1990 of $827,588. At this rate of amortization substantially all long-term debt will be fully repaid within twelve months."

Maverick, the largest Grandy's franchisee, currently operates twenty Grandy's restaurants in five states.

CONTACT: Chris F. Hotze or Linn F. Hohl of Maverick Restaurant, 316-685-8281

-30- 2381

#90234p7620 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dreyfus Corporation (NYSE: DRY) announced today that it will continue to waive its management fee for the Worldwide Dollar Money Market Fund until June 30, 1991, at which time further extension will be considered. Dreyfus has waived its fee and has absorbed all operating expenses of the fund since its inception in February 1989.

Addressing the fund's annual meeting of shareholders, Joseph S. DiMartino, president of both the fund and The Dreyfus Corporation, noted that since Worldwide Dollar began it has offered, cumulatively, the highest yield of any money market fund. At the close of business on Aug. 20, the fund's assets totaled $8.6 billion and its seven-day compounded yield was 8.63 percent. The seven-day current yield on that date was 8.28 percent.

DiMartino reaffirmed that, when and if it is deemed appropriate to begin to allocate to the fund its normal operating expenses, it will be done on a gradual and phased basis.

Dreyfus Worldwide Dollar Money Market Fund invests only in high quality money market instruments issued around the world but sold in U.S. dollars, thus eliminating the risk of currency fluctuations.

Investors who are interested should obtain a prospectus containing more complete information, including charges and expenses, and should read it carefully before they invest. Past performance is no guarantee of future results; the fund's yield fluctuates.

CONTACT: Jack Bernstein Associates Inc., 212-397-0660 for The Dreyfus

Corporation.

-30- 1718
#90234p7621 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
WALTHAM, MA (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Process Systems Inc. (AMEX: TPI) announced today that its Holcroft Inc. subsidiary has received a $3.15 million order to supply Asahi-Motor Wheel Company (AMW) with equipment for processing aluminum wheels for domestic passenger-automobile makers.

Thermo Process will provide a fully automated line for solution heat treating and aging of aluminum wheels. The equipment will be installed at AMW's facility in Somerset, Ky. AMW is a joint venture of a Japanese company, Asahi Tech, and Motor Wheel Corporation of Lansing, Mich.

"The rate of orders from our primary market segments continues to be strong," says Thomas P. Plunkett, president of Thermo Process Systems. "Our backlog of orders is within $800,000 of our record level of $24.8 million."

Thermo Process Systems designs, manufactures and sells advanced custom-engineered thermal processing systems for the incineration of hazardous wastes and the automated heat treating of metal parts.

The company also provides services for the on-site remediation of hazardous wastes and petroleum-laden soils, in addition to a comprehensive range of metallurgical processes. Thermo Process Systems is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

CONTACT: John N. Hatsopoulos of Thermo Process Systems, (617) 622-1111.

-30- 1530
#90234p7623 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Ronald A. Swartout, F.L.M.I. was promoted to senior vice president of insurance operations at American Protectors Life Insurance Company (APLICO). Swartout originally joined APLICO as vice president of underwriting in August of 1989.

A graduate of the University of Michigan, he has over 20 years of experience in the insurance industry.

CONTACT: Haydee S. Randa of American Protectors Life Insurance Company, (305) 559-4703.

-30- 642
#90234p7625 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHAPEL HILL, NC (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - J. Allen Fine announced today that Investors Title Company (NASDAQ-NMS: ITIC) has entered into an agreement to purchase the Smith Building located at 115-123 South Columbia Street, Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

"This will be an outstanding home for Investors Title Insurance Company while we proceed with the development of our corporate headquarters at 137 East Rosemary Street, Chapel Hill, North Carolina," Fine said. "Since our beginning in 1972 we have been located in Chapel Hill and are pleased to remain a part of the downtown business area."

Investors Title Company is a publicly held Company whose stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System (Symbol ITIC). The Company's two title insurance subsidiaries actively write title insurance in the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Illinois, New York, Florida, Pennsylvania, Indiana, and Tennessee, and a third subsidiary, Investors Title Exchange Corporation provides assistance to attorneys and certified public accountants in structuring delayed tax-free exchanges for their clients.

CONTACT: J. Allen Fine, Investors Title Company, 919-968-2200.

-30- 1365
#90234p7627 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OH (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Waxman Industries, Inc. (NYSE: WAX), today announced that the board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.03 per common share, an indicated annual rate of $.12 per common share, payable Sept. 21, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 7, 1990.

Waxman Industries, Inc., is a leading supplier to the growing home repair and remodeling market in the United States and Canada. In the U.S., the company's plumbing, electrical, and hardware products are sold primarily to home improvement centers, warehouse home centers, mass merchandisers, hardware stores, lumber yards, wholesalers and, through mail-order catalogs, to over 25,000 independent retailers, contractors and locksmiths.

The company assembles, packages and markets many of these products under its proprietary trade names. In Canada, the company is one of the largest suppliers of plumbing and heating products, serving over 5,000 customers across Canada, including repair and remodeling contractors, residential and commercial construction contractors, and specialty retailers.

CONTACT: Jerome C. Jacques, senior vice president-finance of Waxman Industries, Inc., 216-439-1830, or William L. Dupuy of Edward Howard & Co. 216-781-2400, for Waxman Industries, Inc.

-30- 1491
#90234p7628 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
FORT WORTH, TEXAS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Pacific Fuels, Inc. (UPFI), the marketing subsidiary of Union Pacific Resources Company of Fort Worth, announced today it has finalized a new mid-term fuel supply contract to provide FMC Corporation with natural gas near Green River, Wyo.

Union Pacific Resources Company, the oil, gas and minerals subsidiary of Union Pacific Corporation of Bethlehem, Pa. (NYSE: UNP), is a major producer of natural gas in the United States and Canada with deliverability in excess of 600 million cubic feet per day.

FMC is the largest trona mining company in the world with annual capacity of 2.8 million tons of soda ash -- used for the manufacture of glass, detergents, chemicals and pharmaceuticals -- from its Green River facility. FMC is one of the largest customers of Union Pacific Railroad, also a subsidiary of Union Pacific Corporation.

The new five-year contract will provide natural gas for FMC's current soda ash production facilities and three new plants which will produce cyanide, caustic and sodium bicarbonate.

Donald W. Niemiec, president of UPFI, noted, "This fuel supply contract continues the long-standing relationship between FMC and the Union Pacific family, and represents a flexible, market responsive contract which is advantageous to both companies."

CONTACT: Jim Sailer of Union Pacific Resources, 817-877-7527

-30- 1576
#90234p7630 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
BRYN MAWR, PA. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert L. Stevens, president of Bryn Mawr Bank Corp. (NASDAQ: BMTC), today announced that steps were taken yesterday at the Bryn Mawr Trust Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of the corporation, to create efficiencies and increase productivity in order to continue to be competitive.

The bank eliminated jobs and reorganized work flows. The staffing changes, done yesterday, coupled with five jobs eliminated earlier this year, have resulted in a 9 percent reduction in staff which will reduce salary expenses $834,000 annually, and achieve a savings of $946,000, a 10 percent reduction in annual personnel expenses.

The approximate total one-time cost of accomplishing this work force reduction is estimated at $413,000 and will be charged against the corporation's third quarter earnings. After giving effect to income taxes,

this one-time charge will reduce third quarter earnings by approximately 25 cents per share.

Stevens stated further, "We deeply regret the necessity of this action and are providing career counseling and assistance in securing other employment for all those being separated today through a leading outplacement and career development firm. Also, a responsible severance package has been provided for each employee.

"This is the first reduction in the bank's work force in our memory. Unless business conditions demand, no other staff cuts are planned. We will, though, continue to seek new efficiencies and to find ways to increase productivity."

CONTACT: Robert L. Stevens, president of Bryn Mawr Bank, 215-526-2300

-30- 1788

#90234p7632 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Nick H. Prater, president and chief executive officer of Mobay Corp., has been elected to the board of directors of Harsco Corp. (NYSE: HSC) to fill the vacancy of the late Robert K. Campbell.

Campbell had been chairman, president and chief executive officer of Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. and had served on Harsco's board since 1983.

Prater has held various operational and executive positions with Mobay Corp.; he was made president and chief executive officer of the company in 1986 and has served on its board of directors since 1981. Prater's previous professional career includes engineering positions with the Monsanto Co. and Mobil Corp. He is a graduate of Georgia Institute of Technology.

A resident of Pittsburgh, Prater is active in various area business and civic endeavors. He serves on the boards of Koppers Industries Inc., Robert Morris College, and is a special trustee of the University of Pittsburgh. Additionally, he is involved with the Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the city's High Technology Council and has served The United Way.

Harsco Corp. is a diversified, international, industrial company headquartered in Camp Hill, Pa. The company's 12 divisions provide products and services for defense, industrial, commercial and construction applications from over 270 facilities in 32 states and 15 countries.

CONTACT: Herbert R. McIlvaine Jr. of Harsco, 717-763-7064

-30- 1652
#90234p7633 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. LOUIS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of the board of directors of Edison Brothers Stores, Inc., (NYSE: EBS) held yesterday, a quarterly dividend of 26 cents per share on the outstanding $1 par value common stock was declared payable on Sept. 11, 1990 to holders of record at the close of business on Sept. 4, 1990.

CONTACT: Lee G. Weeks of Edison Brothers Stores, 314-331-6531

-30- 561
#90234p7637 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Columbia Gas Development Corp., the Houston-based oil and gas exploration subsidiary of The Columbia Gas System Inc. (NYSE: CG) today announced a successful production test on the Rachel Shapiro No. 5-1, a field development well in the Ash Coulee Field located in Billings County, N.D.

The well tested at a rate of 799 barrels of oil per day on a 14/64- inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 1060 p.s.i. from the Bakken formation, according to John P. Bornman, president of Columbia Gas Development. In addition, gas was tested at a rate of 496 thousand cubic feet per day.

This is the sixth Bakken completion of a planned 30 horizontal well program in the field. Columbia Gas Development has a 100 percent working interest in this well and is the operator, Bornman said.

Horizontal drilling has seen great success in this area of North Dakota as well as in the Giddings and Pearsall fields in the Austin Chalk formation of Texas. Altogether, Columbia Development has participated in 19 horizontal wells to date in 1990. Sixteen of these wells have been completed and are producing 5,223 barrels of oil per day. The remainder of these wells are still drilling or are being completed.

Columbia Gas Development is actively engaged in domestic oil and gas exploration, production and marketing along the Gulf Coast (both onshore and offshore) and in the mid-Continent, California and Rocky Mountain regions.

Other Columbia Gas System subsidiaries located in Charleston, W.Va., and Calgary, Alberta, carry out the System's oil and gas exploration and production efforts in Appalachia and Canada. Columbia said it plans to invest more than $200 million in exploration and production activities in 1990.

The Columbia Gas System Inc., is one of the nation's largest natural gas systems. Subsidiary companies are engaged in the exploration, production purchase, storage, transmission and distribution of natural gas. Columbia serves, directly or indirectly, more than 8 million customers in 14 states and the District of Columbia.

CONTACT: W.R. McLaughlin of Columbia Gas, 302-429-5443

-30- 2369

#90234p7638 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOWNSVIEW, ONT. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Ron Woodard, president of Boeing Canada's de Havilland Division, will relocate to Seattle effective Sept. 1 1990, the company announced today, to aid Boeing discussions with Aeritalia/Aerospatiale regarding their proposed purchase of the Canadian-based regional aircraft manufacturer.

While on special assignment in Seattle, Woodard will remain president of de Havilland and report to Boeing Canada Chairman Bruce Gissing.

Already executive vice president, Dan Heidt also assumes the position of general manager of the division, reporting to Woodard. De Havilland executives currently reporting to Woodard will report to Heidt.

Woodard was named de Havilland president in 1987 and moved to the Canadian operation following assignment as vice president and general manager for Boeing Commercial Airplane Group's materiel division in Renton, Wash.

Heidt joined the de Havilland organization in October 1989 from engine manufacturer Lycoming, where he had been vice president of commercial programs and business development.

CONTACT: Colin Fisher of Boeing Canada, de Havilland Division, 416-375-3030

-30- 1341

#90234p7639 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Recognition Equipment Incorporated (NYSE: REC) today reported results for its third quarter ending, July 31, 1990, which included increased revenues and positive operating income.

Revenues for the quarter were $62,506,000, a 5 percent increase over the $59,462,000 reported for the third quarter of 1989 and an increase over revenues reported in the first and second quarters of this year. The company reported $90,000 in operating income, compared to an operating loss of $2,732,000 in the corresponding quarter of 1989. The company had reported operating losses in the first two quarters of 1990.

The company reported a net loss of $1,889,000, or a loss of 19 cents per share of common stock for the quarter, compared to a net loss of $3,864,000, or a loss of 38 cents per share for the same period last year.

"Key financial indicators of the business such as operating income and increased order volume reflect the improvements being made in the company " said Tom Hurley and Bob Vanourek, co-chief executive officers, in making the announcement. "In addition to these financial improvements, we are also making good progress in focusing our operations on the development, sales and service of electronic imaging systems that process business documents. In order to better focus on document imaging, as previously announced, we are selling certain non- image related assets. Most recently, subsidiaries in Italy and the United Kingdom were sold while maintaining a distributorship relationship with these now independent companies."

Revenues for the nine-month period ended July 31, 1990, were $178,829,000, compared to $187,994,000 for the corresponding period of 1989.

Net loss for the nine-month period was $14,878,000, or a loss of $1.46 per share, compared to a net loss of $4,354,000, or a loss of 42 cents per share for the nine-month period of 1989.

Recognition, headquartered in Dallas, and its wholly owned subsidiary, Plexus Software, Inc., manufacture, sell and service image and data capture hardware and software systems for customers throughout the world.

CONTACT: Jenny Haynes of Recognition Equipment, 214-579-6024

-30- 2380

#90234p7641 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTGOMERY, AL (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Aetna Life Insurance Company and Aetna Life Insurance and Annuity Company have announced that a $100,000 reward is being offered as part of the state Attorney General's investigative plan to determine the whereabouts of the missing businessman Douglas Blan Stewart, Jr. Details on the terms and conditions of the reward are available from the Alabama Attorney General's office.

"We are cooperating with the Attorney General's office to determine whether Mr. Stewart is alive or dead," said George Reider, Aetna's vice president of claims. "We are anxious to make a final determination on this matter and to fulfill all our legal and contractual obligations."

Stewart, the former owner of an insurance agency, disappeared in October 1988 after his plane allegedly crashed into Alabama's Lake Martin. At the time of his disappearance, Stewart's life was insured for approximately $4

million.

He was also awaiting trial stemming from criminal charges involving approximately $590,000 in premiums he collected from his customers but allegedly failed to pass on to insurance companies writing the policies.

Earlier this year, Stewart's wife unsuccessfully attempted to have an Alabama court rule him officially dead. The court found insufficient evidence to make that ruling.

In addition to offering the reward and as part of the investigative plan, Aetna has opened a toll-free phone number to receive information on the case. This phone number is 1-800-468-7488. Aetna is committing its Special Investigative Team to follow-up on information developed during the investigation.

"Any leads or information we receive through the toll-free number will be provided to the Attorney General's office for further investigation and will be kept confidential by Aetna," Reider said.

CONTACT: Sal Foti of Aetna, (203) 273-6545; (203) 561-4456 (home).

-30- 2103
#90234p7645 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Research, Inc. (NYSE: CYR) announced today that Hydro-Quebec, the principal Canadian supplier of hydroelectric power, has purchased and installed a CRAY X-MP supercomputer system. Hydro-Quebec is a new customer for Cray Research.

The system is being used at the Hydro-Quebec Center for Numerical Network Analysis in Montreal, Canada. It will be used to simulate the behavior of the power transport network of Hydro-Quebec as well as the network in the northeastern part of the continent. Cray Research and Hydro-Quebec will work together to develop software for this application.

"This is the first supercomputer dedicated to analysis of the behavior of a large electric power transmission system," said John Rollwagen, chairman and chief executive officer of Cray Research, Inc. "Hydro-Quebec shows great leadership in pioneering the use of supercomputing for this application," he added.

According to Mr. Raymond Elsliger, transmission director of the Network Planning Group at Hydro-Quebec, "The acquisition of this supercomputer is an integral part of our strategy to improve the reliability of our transmission network, which includes about 36,000 kilometers of power lines -- roughly equivalent to the circumference of the earth. It is an intricate network and is growing in complexity each year. Access to

simulation resources made available by the CRAY X-MP system will help us plan a harmonious evolution of the overall transmission network." Andre Mercier, vice president, Network Planning at Hydro-Quebec, continued, "In addition, with the installation of this supercomputer, Hydro-Quebec is now equipped with the best tools to protect future investments."

The CRAY X-MP system will use the UNICOS operating system, based on AT&T's UNIX System V, and will be part of the UNIX network serving Hydro-Quebec's engineers.

Cray Research, Inc. designs, manufactures, markets, and supports large-scale, high-speed computers for scientific and engineering application.

CONTACT: Kate S. Neessen (media), 612-683-7132 or Laura C. Merriam (financial) 612-333-5889, both of Cray Research

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ARLINGTON, VA (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) today announced two new contracts with Petrie Stores Corporation (NYSE: PST) and Metpath, Inc.

Under the agreements, worth a total of more than $4.5 million, MCI will provide its virtual private network (Vnet) long-distance service to both companies.

According to Gerald H. Taylor, president of MCI's Mid-Atlantic Division: "MCI's Vnet service offers enhanced features which attract companies like Petrie Stores and Metpath. Firms that need to communicate with widely dispersed offices will find Vnet the key to survival in today's changing business climate."

Under the agreement with Petrie Stores Corporation, MCI will supply Vnet services to the corporation's 1,600 women's specialty stores located throughout the United States, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Based in Secaucus, N.J., Petrie's retail stores also include Jean Nicole, Mariannes, Stuart's Three Sisters, Winkelmans and G&G Shops.

Metpath's new agreement with MCI is potentially worth $4.5 million over the next three years. Metpath, Inc., a division of Corning Glass Works, is located in Teterboro, N.J. Metpath, the second-largest clinical laboratory in the United States, performs more than 1,100 types of medical tests each year.

MCI Vnet, introduced in 1985, is a virtual private network service which enables customers to access multiple locations through the use of

software-defined, customized dialing plans. Vnet service helps telecommunications supervisors manage and cost-effectively maintain their internal voice communications versus utilizing traditional private line networks.

MCI is the world's second largest long distance provider, supplying a full range of voice and data communications services to business and residential customers and government agencies. MCI's long-distance service enables customers to call throughout the nation and dial direct to 172 countries representing 99 percent of overseas calling from the United States.

MCI Mid-Atlantic serves customers in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia.

CONTACT: Debra Shriver, 703-415-6904, or Kate Fralin, 703-415-6941, both of MCI Communications Corporation, Mid-Atlantic Division

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TROY, MI (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - OIS Optical Imaging Systems, Inc. (OIS) (OTC: OVON) has been selected by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), along with several other companies, to perform research aimed at developing high definition display systems for military applications. Subject to negotiating a definitive agreement, the company expects to execute a contract with DARPA.

Specifically OIS was selected to develop advanced manufacturing methods for large-area active matrix liquid crystal displays (AMLCDs). Based on its experience as a producer of prototype AMLCDs, OIS is well aware of areas in the manufacturing process where improvements are necessary. Such improvements could have a significant impact on the manufacturing cost of high definition displays. The objective of OIS' research for DARPA is to develop such improvements.

OIS anticipates this work will be carried out over a period of one year following contract negotiation and award.

OIS develops electronic displays and scanning systems. Currently, OIS is focusing its proprietary display technology on avionic and military applications in order to become a leading U.S.-based manufacturer of flat panel displays.

CONTACT: Dr. Zvi Yaniv or Lionel Robbins of OIS Optical Imaging Systems, Inc., 313-362-2738.

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#90234p7650 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - First Union Corporation (NYSE: FTU FTUpr) announced today that the corporation's Pension Plan and Savings Plan have been amended to allow those Plans to invest in shares of First Union Corporation Common Stock and Series 1990 Cumulative Adjustable Rate Perpetual Preferred Stock.

The amount and timing of any purchase and subsequent sale of shares of First Union Corporation Common Stock or Series 1990 Preferred Stock will depend on market conditions and other factors. Purchases, if any, will be made from time to time and are not expected to exceed 1.5 million shares of common stock in the aggregate and/or 500,000 shares of preferred stock in the aggregate.

As of June 30, 1990, there were 107.4 million shares of First Union Corporation Common Stock outstanding and 7.1 million shares of Series 1990 Preferred Stock outstanding.

The last sale price for the Common Stock on the NYSE on August 21, 1990, was $14 3/4 per share and $45 per share for the Series 1990 Preferred Stock.

First Union Corporation reported assets of $38.4 billion as of June 30, 1990 and operated 779 banking offices in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida and Tennessee and 277 nonbanking offices in 36 states.

CONTACT: (Investor) Maggie Norris, 704-374-4353, or (Media) Jeep Bryant, 704-374-2957 (office) or 704-335-0415 (home), both of First Union Corporation

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#90234p7651 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Rogers-based Ultra Pac, Inc. today announced the successful completion of a private placement of 666,666 shares of common stock which raised approximately $500,000.

The company intends to use the proceeds of the offering towards working capital, the purchase of additional thermoforming equipment and molds and the acquisition of a plastics extruder. That portion allocated toward working capital will primarily be used for general corporate purposes, the payment of liabilities and the financing of accounts receivable.

Ultra Pac, Inc. designs and manufactures recyclable plastic packaging for the food industry and manufacturing compact disk packaging for the entertainment industry.

Ultra Pac, Inc. is traded in Minneapolis/St. Paul on the local over-the-counter market.

CONTACT: Cal Krupa of Ultra Pac, 612-428-8340; or Tom dePetra of First Financial Investor Relations, 612-338-7630, for Ultra Pac

-30- 1143

#90234p7652 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthco International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLCO) announced that its board of directors today authorized the redemption of the company's preferred share purchase rights and amended the company's by-laws to formalize the company's anti-greenmail policy and to permit holders of 15 percent of the company's stock to call a special meeting of stockholders.

The redemption of the rights will result in a one-time payment of $.01 per right and will be made to stockholders of record as of the close of business on Sept. 6, 1990.

The anti-greenmail by-law amendment prohibits the purchase from an "Interested Person" of any equity security of the company at a price in excess of the market price for such security without the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the aggregate voting power of all voting shares of the company, excluding any such shares beneficially owned by such "Interested Person." The by-law generally defines an "Interested Person" to be any person who is the direct or indirect beneficial owner of more than 5 percent of the aggregate voting power of the company's voting shares.

The other by-law amendment adopted by the board provides that in addition to the chairman of the board, the president or a majority of the directors then in office, stockholders owning at least 15 percent of the aggregate voting power of the outstanding capital stock of the company entitled to vote at a special meeting of stockholders may call such a meeting.

In making the announcement, Marvin M. Cyker, chairman and chief executive officer of Healthco, stated, "We at Healthco have always been open about corporate governance issues and have attempted to be responsive to the wishes of our owners. We implemented the rights plan and certain by-law amendments in May this year in order to protect our stockholders from abusive and unfair takeover and proxy fight tactics and to enable us to conduct the value maximization process in an orderly matter.

Nonetheless, over the recent past, a number of our major stockholders have expressed their concern about our rights plan and their ability to call a special meeting. Our actions today are intended to address those concerns. The anti-greenmail by-law simply formalizes what has been a

longstanding policy at Healthco -- no greenmail under any circumstances.

CONTACT: Stanley J. Kay or Daniel H. Burch of Dewe Rogerson, Inc., 212-688-6840, for Healthco International.

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#90234p7653 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Chili's, Inc. (NYSE: EAT) reported record revenues and net income for its 1990 fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. Revenues were $347.1 million, an increase of 21 percent over $285.9 million reported for fiscal year ended June 30, 1989. Net income rose 30 percent, to $18.1 million from $13.9 million reported in fiscal 1989, while primary earnings per share increased 26 percent to $1.66 from $1.32. Revenues of restaurants open for all of both fiscal years (comparable store sales) rose 4.3 percent.

Results for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, also set new records for the company with revenues of $95.7 million, an increase of 22 percent over the $78.6 million reported for the fourth fiscal quarter of 1989. Net income rose 19 percent to $5.6 million from $4.7 million reported in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989, while primary earnings per share increased 14 percent to $0.50 from $0.44. Comparable store sales rose 4 percent between the two fourth quarter periods.

On June 6, 1990, the 6-1/4 convertible subordinated debentures were called for redemption and all bonds were converted to 1,265,000 shares of common stock as of June 26, 1990. The effect of the conversion on Chili's financial condition is to reduce long-term debt to $12 million and to increase stockholders' equity to $132 million at June 30, 1990.

The company opened 25 company-operated Chili's restaurants during fiscal 1990, and an additional 12 joint venture and franchised Chili's units began operation during the year bringing the total number of Chili's restaurants to 211 operating in 35 states. The company opened three Regas Grill restaurants during the year for a total of nine restaurants operating in six states.

Chili's operates full service restaurants featuring a casual atmosphere and a limited menu of freshly prepared chicken, beef and seafood entrees, hamburgers, ribs, fajitas, sandwiches, salads, appetizers, desserts and a full-service bar.

Regas Grill restaurants are casual, upscale dinner house restaurants that feature fresh seafood, prime rib, steaks, pasta, salads, sandwiches, appetizers, desserts and a full service bar. (Regas Grill is the new operating name of restaurants developed by Grady's, Inc.)

Chili's is also engaged in the development of the Macaroni Grill concept, an upscale Italian theme restaurant, and operates one such restaurant in San Antonio, Texas.

Results for the fourth quarter and the year ended June 30 have been restated to reflect the Regas Grill and Macaroni Grill acquisitions. Earnings per share and shares outstanding have been restated to reflect a stock split effected in the form of a 50 percent stock dividend declared in June, 1989.

CONTACT: James R. Parish, executive VP and CFO of Chili's, 214-980-9917

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#90234p7655 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARLEYSVILLE, PA (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Harleysville Group Inc. (NASDAQ: HGIC) announced that it has increased the company's regular quarterly cash dividend to $.16 per share from $.15 per share.

Additionally, a 5 percent stock dividend will be issued. The cash dividend and stock dividend are payable on Sept. 28, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 6, 1990. The board of directors has increased the regular annual cash dividend in each of the four years the company has been publicly traded.

Harleysville Group Inc. is a regional holding company for four property and casualty insurers whose marketing territory encompasses the entire East Coast. The companies include: Atlantic Insurance Company of Savannah, Harleysville Insurance Company of New Jersey, Huron Insurance Co. and Worcester Insurance Co.

Harleysville Group also manages the operations of Berkshire Mutual Insurance Group, the financial results of which are not consolidated into Harleysville Group at the present time.

CONTACT: Randy Buckwalter of the Harleysville Group, 215-256-5288, or at home, 215-256-0533.

-30- 1305

#90234p7656 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Broward (Fort Lauderdale) and Palm Beach (West Palm) counties have awarded Ecology and Environment, Inc. (E&E) separate contracts of $4.8 million and $3.0 million, respectively, for cleanup of leaking underground storage tanks.

E&E's Florida office in Fort Lauderdale will conduct site assessments and

investigations, and prepare and implement remedial action plans at selected sites.

In Florida, 90 percent of drinking water supplies come from groundwater, and the above contracts are an extension of a state-wide program to protect Florida's groundwater quality. The contracts are three years in duration with potential for renewal.

Ecology and Environment, Inc., is a firm of international specialists in the environment, founded in 1970, and headquartered in Lancaster, N.Y., a suburb of Buffalo. It has offices in 22 cities throughout the United States, and is represented in more than 20 countries around the world. It currently has more than 1,100 employees.

CONTACT: Ronald Frank of Ecology and Environment, 716-684-8060

-30- 1276

#90234p7657 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALATINE, ILL. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Square D Co. (NYSE: SQD) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 55 cents per share, payable Oct. 1, 1990 to stockholders of record Sept. 14, 1990.

The dividend will be paid to approximately 12,000 stockholders, and will be the 219th consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid by the company.

Square D is a worldwide leader in industrial control and electrical distribution products, systems, and services, and had 1989 sales from continuing operations of $1.60 billion.

CONTACT: E. J. Schenk, manager-investor relations of Square D, 708-397-2600; or George Eisenhuth, 312-372-7090, Selz, Seabolt & Associates, Inc., for Square D

-30- 855

#90234p7659 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHAWNEE, OK (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Barton Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: BART) of Shawnee announced today revenues and profits for the month of July and the first 10 months of fiscal year 1990. For the month of July 1990, the company reported profits of $262,595 from revenues of $2,663,718. Year-To-Date revenues are $24,749,685 with related profits of $3,025,571. The company stated that individual operating performance within the four major groups (service centers, automation, telecommunications, manufacturing operations) continued to show improvement in all areas. In addition, order intake continued to increase ensuring strong performance through the first quarter of calendar year 1991.

CONTACT: C. W. Earl Johnson or Victor L. Joyce, both of Barton Industries
405-273-7660

-30- 967
#90234p7660 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
DETROIT/AURORA, IL (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - An agreement in principle has been announced for the purchase of Affiliated Bank/Burlington, located in Kane County, Ill., by Old Second Bancorp, Inc., Aurora, Ill., from Affiliated Banc Group, Inc. (ABG), Morton Grove, Ill. The terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

The purchase is subject to approval by the appropriate regulatory agencies and the boards of directors of both organizations. AB/Burlington reported total assets of approximately $31 million at June 30, 1990.

ABG is a subsidiary of Manufacturers National Corporation (OTC: MNTL), a regional bank holding company headquartered in Detroit.

CONTACT: Michael T. Maurer or Sharon R. McMurray of Manufacturers National Corporation, 313-222-4732, or 313-222-4881; or Ronald J. Carlson of Old Second Bancorp, Inc., 708-892-0202.

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#90234p7663 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Endotronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: ENDO) today announced results for its third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues from instrument and disposable sales decreased in the three- and nine-month periods primarily due to the absence of multi- instrument sales to major customers, particularly in Japan. During the three- and nine-month periods ended June 30, 1990, revenues included sales of serum-free media and related products which the company began to sell and market in September 1989 through an exclusive three-year distribution agreement.

The company previously reported that access to the Japanese market has been temporarily blocked pending the resolution of a patent dispute regarding cell culture instruments in Japan. Endotronics is not named as a specific party of this action. Approximately 24 percent of the company's instrument and disposable revenues in fiscal 1989 was represented by sales to this distributor. The patent expires in May 1993.

"We continue to maintain tight controls over expenses and we intend to add new products and services to our product line with the objective of

increasing revenue and attaining profitability. We are pleased with the serum-free media marketing and sales efforts which have added new customers to our customer base," said Richard E. Sakowicz, president and chief operating officer. "The company continues to believe that the patent dispute claim is invalid and has taken certain steps to appeal this injunction. We are presently working on several alternatives which would allow us to continue to participate in the Japanese market."

ENDOTRONICS, INC.
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Nine Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$844,000	$880,000	$2,674,000	$3,008,000
Operating expenses	$1,200,000	$1,320,000	$3,728,000	$3,798,000
Operating loss	($356,000)	($440,000)	($1,054,000)	($790,000)
Other income (expense)	($50,000)	($18,000)	($133,000)	($17,000)
Net loss	($406,000)	($458,000)	($1,188,000)	($806,000)
Net loss per common share	($0.03)	($0.03)	($0.08)	($0.06)
Weighted aver. no. of common shares outstanding	14,763,522	13,906,912	14,694,822	13,586,323

Endotronics, Inc. is a Minneapolis-based company which supplies products and services for the processing of mammalian cells to biotechnology, pharmaceutical, diagnostic companies and research centers worldwide.

CONTACT: Mary J. Lore of Endotronics, 612-786-0302.

-30- 2994

#90234p7666 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MASS. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Laidlaw Waste Systems Inc.'s recent acquisition of Regional Waste Services Inc. of Peabody, Mass. has been completed -- expanding the number of Laidlaw operating locations in the Eastern Massachusetts area.

As part of Laidlaw Waste Systems, Regional Waste Services' operations will continue to provide solid waste management solutions to municipal, commercial and industrial customers on the North Shore. Its fleet of more than 60 vehicles provides a full range of solid waste collection services, including rear-load container systems, rear-load collection services, roll-off container systems and a transfer station operation.

Jim Toher will serve as the division manager, overseeing approximately 80 employees.

Laidlaw Waste Systems Inc. is North America's third largest solid waste management company -- providing solid waste collection, transportation, recycling and disposal services from nearly 160 locations.

CONTACT: Bill Dietrich, district manager of Laidlaw Waste Systems Atlantic Inc., 617-890-1937

-30- 1252

#90234p7669 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN LAKES, N.J. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - On Aug. 16, 1990, Corporate Securities Group, Inc. underwrote a firm commitment offering of 1,000,000 shares of common stock of Regenex, Inc., (NASDAQ: RGNX), at a price of $3.00 per share, the company announced today.

Regenex, Inc. is in the business of recycling chemical waste streams into antifreeze, ethylene glycol and other products through proprietary processes.

CONTACT: Sandra Ross of Regenex, 708-803-0790

-30- 631

#90234p7670 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Advanced Magnetics, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADMG), announced today that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of 100,000 shares of Advanced Magnetics common stock. The company said any repurchase will be in open market transactions and in compliance with Security Exchange Commission (SEC) guidelines. There are 3,325,563 shares of Advanced Magnetics common stock currently outstanding.

Jerome Goldstein, the president of Advanced Magnetics, said the company views the stock repurchase as a good investment and a prudent financial move.

Advanced Magnetics, using its proprietary magnetic particle technology, has developed contrast agents for use in magnetic resonance imaging of the liver, gastrointestinal (GI) tract and the lymphatic system. Phase III human clinical trials have been completed for the GI agent and the company is preparing its New Drug Application (NDA) for filing with the FDA. The company also expects to resume clinical trials for Feridex, its liver agent, in the near future.

Advanced Magnetics is a world leader in the application of colloidal

magnetic materials to healthcare. The company is dedicated to the development and manufacture of diagnostic pharmaceuticals for use with magnetic resonance imaging as well as clinical and research products for in vitro testing.

CONTACT: Jerome Goldstein, president of Advanced Magnetics, Inc., 617-497-2070; or Harry Nicolay of the Nicolay Consulting Group for Advanced Magnetics, 617-499-1433

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#90234p7671 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

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#90234p7676 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

OSLO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The boards of Realkreditt and Christiania Bank have agreed to propose the establishment of a new financial group based on the bank and the mortgage institution. In addition, insurance will be included, either by establishing a new insurance company, or

through merger with or acquisition of a smaller, domestic insurance company. The group will be the first Norwegian financial institution that spans the traditional barriers in the sector.

Christiania Bank is Norway's second largest commercial bank with a network of 140 branch offices throughout the country. Christiania Bank also has a number of substantial engagements in selected market segments abroad, and is represented in the major financial centers worldwide.

Realkreditt is Norway's largest mortgage institution and has a competitive advantage in that long-term loans are handled effectively in a specialized and cost-controlled environment. Realkreditt also has a long tradition of securing funding through bond and certificate offerings both in Norway and abroad.

The group will thus combine two well-run institutions that hold a leading position in their respective markets.

The agreement is contingent on the authorities' approval of Realkreditt's application for conversion to corporation status and of the creation of the Realkreditt Foundation which will own the majority of shares in Realkreditt Holding A/S.

The new group will be structured in accordance with the holding company model. A new holding company, Christiania Holding A/S, will own Christiania bank and Realkreditt Holding A/S.

The new Group will be formed in the following way: First, two new holding companies are established, Christiania Holding A/S and Realkreditt Holding II A/S. Thereafter Christiania Holding A/S and Realkreditt Holding II A/S will offer the shareholders in Christiania Bank and Realkreditt Holding A/S respectively to change their ordinary and free shares for shares in the two new companies on a 1 for 1 basis. Thereby, the two new companies will be the holding companies for the bank group and the mortgage institution respectively.

CONTACT: Arnulf Arnoy of Christiania Bank, Oslo, 47-2-48-61-04

-30- 2397

#90234p7677 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Effective Oct. 1, 1990, Maynard Oil Company (NASDAQ: MOIL) has agreed to purchase the interest of Sun Operating Limited Partnership in five leases covering 860 surface acres in the northeast portion of the Levelland Field in Hockley County, Texas. It is estimated that this $13.7 million producing property acquisition will add 525 net barrels to Maynard's daily production.

Sun Operating Limited Partnership is managed by Oryx Energy Company (NYSE: ORX) of Dallas, which as managing general partner has a 98 percent ownership of the limited partnership.

Maynard Oil Company is engaged in the exploration, development and production of oil and natural gas in the United States. In addition, the company's wholly owned subsidiary, BDK Drilling Company, provides contract drilling services in south Texas.

CONTACT: Glenn R. Moore, president of Maynard Oil, 214-891-8880

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#90234p7678 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAINESVILLE, FL (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Gates Energy Products today introduced a new line of rechargeable nickel-cadmium batteries that will significantly increase run times on cellular phones and portable computers. The new battery line, called ULTRAMAX(TM), offers up to 70 percent longer run times than standard nickel-cadmium batteries on the market today.

The ULTRAMAX line was developed in response to consumer demand for longer run times and quicker recharge on cellular phones and portable computers. "Run time has been one of the barriers to acceptance of these battery-operated products," said Kim Edwards, Gates Energy Products' vice president of marketing. "With ULTRAMAX, consumers will find that their phones and computers last longer between charging and, therefore, become more convenient to use. Additionally, the technology allows one-hour recharge capability."

ULTRAMAX batteries will be marketed by Gates Energy Products Industrial Group to manufacturers of battery-powered products. The line will not appear in retail outlets, but consumers will realize the benefits of the new technology through improved performance in cellular phones and portable computers.

The ULTRAMAX line consists of six battery sizes developed for use in the new smaller, lighter-weight laptops, notebooks and cellular phones. Four of the batteries offer longer run times than anything available in their respective sizes while the other two match batteries that are presently offered. These dramatic capacity gains were the result of heavy investment by Gates Energy Products in research and development and process control.

Gates Energy Products is North America's largest manufacturer of sealed, rechargeable batteries. Earlier this year Gates Energy Products introduced the Millennium(TM) Power System to retail markets. Millennium is the first family of rechargeable batteries to directly address the

three major concerns consumers have with rechargeable batteries: initial cost, run time and charge time. The Millennium AA, C, D, 9-volt and AAA batteries are the first line of rechargeables to offer consumers a lifetime replacement guarantee, 33 percent longer run time and charge time of as little as three hours. The line also includes camcorder packs, R/C car packs and a RapidCharger(TM) in two sizes.

Gates Energy Products manufacturing, assembly and distribution operations are located in Gainesville, Fla.; Warrensburg, Mo.; El Paso, Texas; Juarez Mexico; Newcastle-under-Lyme, Great Britain; and Hong Kong.

CONTACT: Carol Ebert of Gates Energy Products, 904-462-4410; or Deborah Radman of Servoss-Barnhart Public Relations for Gates Energy Products, 303-777-6200

-30- 2914
#90234p7681 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Washington Post Company (NYSE: WPO) and American Personal Communications, Inc., announced today they have agreed to form a limited partnership to develop an experimental portable wireless telephone communication system in the Washington area.

Licenses for the experimental system were granted by the Federal Communications Commission to American Personal Communications, the general partner, earlier in the year.

The partners expect the system will begin operations by the end of this year and that the test will be fully operational by the end of 1991. In addition to Washington, the system will serve parts of suburban Maryland and Northern Virginia. Should the Federal Communications Commission grant commercial licenses for these systems, the partners hope to operate the system in the Washington area and will consider applying for additional systems in other U.S. markets.

Wayne N. Schelle, chairman of American Personal Communications, will serve as general manager of the system. It will use equipment supplied by a leading manufacturer with whom negotiations are now underway.

"This is a major business opportunity because wireless telephones expand dramatically the market for mobile communications," said Richard D. Simmons, president of The Washington Post Company. "Consumers, families and small businesses all can be first-string players in the information age."

Simmons added: "We're especially pleased to be undertaking this venture with APC. We've had great respect for Wayne Schelle and his team since we joined forces to introduce cellular telephones to the

Washington/Baltimore area in 1983. Our past experience and local knowledge of the market will be key to making this new enterprise a success."

"Wireless telephones utilizing PCN (personal communications network) technology should offer major advantages over cellular systems," Schelle pointed out. "They are expected to be smaller, lighter and cheaper. PCN systems will provide much more capacity at lower prices for both equipment and service. Every member of a family or employee of a business will be able to carry a phone in their pocket in the same way they currently carry their keys or wallet."

CONTACT: Guyon Knight of The Washington Post Company, 202-334-6642, or Wayne N. Schelle of American Personal Communications, 301-825-4211

-30- 2606

#90234p7682 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Hecla Mining Co. (NYSE, PSE: HL) elected Joe Coors Jr. to the board of directors at its quarterly meeting held Friday, Aug. 10, in McCall, Idaho. Coors fills a vacancy on the board created by the resignation of Norman Visnes, who served as a director for Hecla since 1983.

Coors is president and chief executive officer of Coors Ceramics Co., which he joined in 1973. He was elected president of Coors Ceramics in 1985 and was elected to the board of directors of Adolph Coors Co. in 1986.

Born in Philadelphia in 1942, Coors graduated from Phillips Exeter Academy in New Hampshire and then went on to obtain a bachelor of science degree in applied mathematics from North Carolina State University. Before joining Coors Ceramics Co., Coors was a stock broker, computer programmer and data processing specialist. He is currently an active participant in the Coors sports programs and a member of the St. Anthony Hospital board of directors. He is a board member of the United States Advanced Ceramics Association and the Council on Superconductivity for American Competitiveness.

Arthur Brown, Hecla Mining Co. chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Joe Coors will enrich our board membership with his extensive exposure to industrial minerals. Hecla produces ball clay and kaolin, which are essential ingredients in the manufacture of ceramics, so Joe's guidance will be very valuable for that segment of our business. We're delighted to have a businessman of his caliber on our board."

Coors is the son of Joseph Coors, the current vice chairman of the Coors Brewing Co., and is the great grandson of Adolph Coors, the brewery's founder.

Hecla Mining Co., headquartered in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, is a leading domestic producer of newly mined silver and gold, and a supplier of premium ball clay, kaolin and specialty aggregates. The company has operations and projects under development in 12 states and three Canadian provinces.

CONTACT: William Booth of Hecla Mining Co., 208-769-4100

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CHICAGO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines announced today it will strengthen its international service at Washington, D.C.'s Dulles International Airport by adding new flights to Hamilton, Bermuda, entering the Caribbean market with new service to San Juan, Puerto Rico, and reinstating seasonal flights to Cancun, Mexico.

"We are pleased to be offering service to these popular new leisure destinations," said Stephen M. Wolf, chairman and president. "This new service fulfills part of the significant potential we see for Washington, D.C.'s Dulles International Airport as a major East Coast gateway for United."

Service to Bermuda, marking United's entry into that market, will debut April 10, 1991. The flights will be operated in Boeing 737-300 equipment with eight seats in first class and 120 in coach. The trip will depart from Washington, D.C.'s Dulles at 11:11 a.m. and arrive in Hamilton at 2:31 p.m. The return trip will leave Hamilton at 3:41 p.m. and arrive at Washington, D.C.'s Dulles at 5:21 p.m.

Service to San Juan, marking United's entry into the Caribbean market, is scheduled to begin Feb. 15, 1991. The southbound flight in Boeing 727-200 equipment with 12 seats in first class and 135 in coach will leave Washington, D.C.'s Dulles at 9:10 a.m. and arrive in San Juan at 1:50 p.m. The return trip will leave San Juan at 2:40 p.m. and arrive at Washington, D.C.'s Dulles at 5:35 p.m.

United will reinstate seasonal service between Washington, D.C.'s Dulles and Cancun Oct. 1, 1990, with daily round-trip flights in Boeing 727-200 aircraft.

The flight will leave Washington, D.C.'s Dulles at 9:00 a.m. and arrive in Cancun at 10:30 a.m. The return flight will leave Cancun at 11:20 a.m. and arrive at Washington, D.C.'s Dulles at 4:34 p.m.

The three flights are timed to permit convenient connections for customers from the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions through Washington, D.C.'s

Dulles, a major domestic hub airport for United. The airline presently operates 106 daily departures there to 35 nonstop destinations. United Express, United's partner carrier, offers an additional 87 flights at Washington Dulles.

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DAYTON, OHIO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir will inaugurate non-stop service from Dayton to Fort Myers, Fla., on Nov. 1.

"With the addition of this new service, USAir will offer nine daily departures to five Florida cities," said Randall Malin, USAir executive vice president - marketing.

New non-stop flights to Fort Myers will leave Dayton at 8:30 a.m. and arrive at 11 a.m. Returning to Dayton, flights will depart Fort Myers at 6 p.m. and arrive here at 8:35 p.m.

The new flights will be operated with Boeing 737 jet aircraft with first and coach class seating.

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ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Bio-Vascular, Inc. (NASDAQ: BVAS), a St. Paul, Minn. company, announced today that it achieved a profit of $19,271 for the third quarter 1990 compared to a loss of $58,328 for the third quarter of 1989. The company's profits were the result of a 125 percent increase in net sales from $363,275 for the third quarter 1989 to a record $818,840 for the third quarter 1990.

The company anticipates continued profitability for the fourth quarter based on strong sales growth in all product areas and improvements in manufacturing capacity for the recently acquired Dardik Biograft.

Bio-Vascular, Inc. is a manufacturer and distributor of proprietary consumable medical products used in cardiac and vascular surgery. Bio-Vascular's common stock is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the symbol BVAS.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE:CRR) (Conrail) has named Robert E. Baker Jr., executive director, Conrail State and Local Affairs.

Baker, who reports to G.M. Williams Jr., vice president-State and Local Affairs, is based in Philadelphia and is responsible for state and local government liaison in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

Baker has held various government positions including deputy secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry and deputy secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Commerce. In 1985 he was appointed director, Office of Intergovernmental and Consumer Affairs for the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Most recently Baker was employed by BATUS, the United States management and holding company for B.A.T. Industries of London, where he managed public affairs.

He is a 1973 graduate of the University of Pittsburgh.

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LONG ISLAND, NY (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir will inaugurate new non-stop service between Long Island's McArthur Airport and Charlotte, N.C., on Nov. 1, giving local air travelers access to USAir's largest connecting hub.

"Since USAir offers 469 daily jet and USAir Express flights at the Charlotte hub, this new flight will enhance the travel options for people flying from Long Island especially to Florida," said Randall Malin, USAir executive vice president - marketing.

The new non-stop flight to Charlotte will leave Long Island's McArthur Airport at 7:20 a.m., and arrive at 9:20 a.m. Returning to Long Island, the flight will depart Charlotte at 7:30 p.m. and arrive here at 9:15 p.m. This new service will be operated with 110-passenger 737 jet aircraft with first and coach class seating.

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BOSTON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boston Five Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: BFCS), holding company for The Boston Five Cents Savings Bank, FSB, reported a net loss of $606,000 or 9 cents per share, for its third quarter, ended July 31, 1990, compared with net income of $1.9 million, or 27 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended July 31, 1990, The Boston Five had a net loss of $1.7 million, compared with net income of $7.3 million for the comparable period of 1989.

During the third quarter of 1990, The Boston Five completed a previously announced sale of mortgage servicing rights on loans totalling approximately $859 million. This transaction resulted in a pre-tax gain of $3.3 million. It also accounted for most of the 23 percent decrease during the quarter in the bank's "purchased and excess mortgage servicing rights" asset line item. This sale of servicing rights was done in order to eliminate more than 82 percent of the recourse risk associated with the bank's servicing portfolio. Consequently, the bank's risk-weighted capital ratio increased to approximately 9.0 percent as of July 31, 1990, from approximately 7.0 percent as of April 30, 1990. The Boston Five services approximately $1.9 billion in mortgages for others, a decrease of 30 percent from the $2.7 billion serviced as of April 30, 1990.

As of July 31, 1990, The Boston Five exceeded all three current Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) regulatory capital requirements. The Boston Five has a book value of $17.42 per share.

Residential mortgage production totalled $261.5 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $264.7 million in the comparable quarter of 1989. For nine months, residential production was $749.7 million, compared with $675.1 million in 1989. Total loan production for the third quarter of 1990 was $286.3 million, compared with $300.5 million for the third quarter of 1989. Total loan production for nine months was $840.7 million, compared with $822.1 million in the corresponding period of 1989.

As of July 31, 1990, the bank's non-performing assets totalled $124.5 million, compared with $118.7 million on April 30, 1990, and $125.2 million as of Oct. 31, 1989. Approximately $3.8 million of the $5.8 million net increase that took place in the third quarter was due to the bank's contractual repurchase of delinquent residential mortgages in the pool of loans on which the bank sold the servicing rights (see above).

The provision for loan losses in the third quarter of 1990 was $2.7 million, compared with $750,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The loan loss provision for the nine months ended July 31, 1990, was $6.9 million, compared with $3.0 million for the first nine months of 1989. Net

charge-offs for the quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1990, were $2.2 million and $16.3 million, respectively, compared with $1.1 million and $3.7 million, respectively, in the corresponding periods of 1989. The reserves for loan losses were $24.8 million as of July 31, 1990, compared with $24.4 million as of April 30, 1990 and $34.4 million as of Oct. 31, 1989.

In the third quarter of 1990, The Boston Five had net interest income of $10.6 million, compared with $13.0 million in the third quarter of 1989. For nine months ended July 31, 1990, net interest income was $34.0 million compared with $42.5 million a year earlier.

Non-interest income for the third quarter of 1990 totalled $5.7 million, compared with $3.9 million for the third quarter a year ago. For nine months, non-interest income was $10.7 million for 1990, compared with $11.0 million for 1989.

Real estate operations generated a net loss of $3.0 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared with a net loss of $1.6 million for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months, real estate operations generated a net loss of $6.5 million in 1990, compared with a net loss of $5.6 million in 1989.

The bank recorded a net gain of $1.1 million on its securities portfolio in the third quarter of 1990, which included a $934,000 net gain resulting from the lower of cost or market adjustment of the bank's securities held for sale portfolio and a $124,000 net gain from the sale of securities. This compares with a net gain of $41,000 from the sale of securities in the third quarter of 1989. For nine months of 1990, the bank recorded a net gain on the sale of securities of $547,000, compared with a net gain of $4.5 million in 1989.

The bank realized a net gain of $5.0 million on sale of loans and servicing for the third quarter of 1990, which included the aforementioned gain on the sale of servicing in order to eliminate a significant amount of recourse risk, and a net gain on additional sales of loans and servicing of $1.7 million. This compares with a net gain of $1.0 million on sales of loans and servicing for the third quarter of 1989. For nine months, the bank realized a net gain on sales of loans and servicing of $7.9 million in 1990, compared with a net gain of $1.1 million in 1989.

Operating expenses for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, were $13.6 million compared with $13.4 million for 1989. Year-to-date operating expenses were $40.2 million for 1990, compared with $39.5 million in 1989.

The Boston Five Bancorp, Inc. is the holding company of The Boston Five Cents Savings Bank FSB. With total assets of over $2.1 billion, The Boston Five is one of the largest savings banks headquartered in

Massachusetts. Deposits of The Boston Five are insured by the Bank Insurance Fund (BIF) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

THE BOSTON FIVE BANCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
Consolidated Statements of Operations
($ in thousands except per share amounts; unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	7/31/90	7/31/89	7/31/90	7/31/89
Interest income	$ 49,249	$ 56,570	$153,360	$168,204
Interest expense	38,616	43,524	119,393	125,723
Net interest income	10,633	13,046	33,967	42,481
Prov. for losses on loans	2,716	750	6,894	3,000
Prov. for losses on securities	406	187	802	488
Net interest income after provision for losses on loans & securities	7,511	12,109	26,271	38,993
Other operating income:				
Loan and other related fees	529	407	1,252	2,081
Mortgage service fees	1,390	1,766	5,149	4,859
Customer service fees	517	518	1,501	1,623
Real estate operations, net	(2,980)	(1,615)	(6,523)	(5,574)
Other income	166	377	932	1,031
Gain on securities, net	1,058	41	547	4,487
Gain on sale of loans & servicing, net	5,015	969	7,870	1,075
Gain on sale of building	---	1,406	---	1,406
Total other operating income	5,695	3,869	10,728	10,988
Other operating expenses:				
Salaries & fringe bene.	6,141	5,444	18,469	17,488
Occupancy & data processing	2,918	2,821	8,870	7,906
Loan service fees	413	317	871	880
General & administrative	2,745	2,589	7,012	7,161
Other	1,411	2,218	4,978	6,075
Total other operating expenses.	13,628	13,389	40,200	39,510
Income (loss) before income taxes	(422)	2,589	(3,201)	10,471
Provision (credit) for income taxes	184	708	(1,508)	3,129
Net income (loss)	$ (606)	$ 1,881	$(1,693)	$ 7,342
Earnings (loss) per common share:				
Primary	$ (0.09)	$ 0.27	$(0.24)	$ 1.03

Fully diluted	$ (0.09)	$ 0.26	$(0.24)	$ 1.03
Dividends per common share	$ ---	$ 0.18	$ 0.12	$ 0.54

Earnings (loss) per share were calculated using the following number of common shares.

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	7/31/90	7/31/89	7/31/90	7/31/89
Primary	7,039,122	7,081,061	7,039,122	7,107,145
Diluted	7,039,122	7,081,061	7,039,122	7,118,087

THE BOSTON FIVE BANCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
(In thousands except per share amounts; unaudited)

	7/31/90	10/31/89
Assets		
Cash and due from banks	$33,475	$40,129
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	13,964	---
Investment securities at cost, net (market value $75,725 & $107,124)	85,008	113,533
Securities held for sale, at lower of cost or market	28,781	53,201
Mortgage-backed securities at cost (market value $83,416 & $60,413)	86,879	63,603
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	16,470	20,670
Loans	1,678,321	1,891,520
Loans to joint ventures	23,502	75,380
Allowance for loan losses	(24,805)	(34,369)
Real estate acquired by foreclosure & termination of joint ventures	47,906	15,734
Investment in joint ventures, net	17,526	5,898
Bank premises, furniture and equipment, net	58,539	16,319
Accrued interest and dividends receivable	18,629	22,384
Excess cost over fair value of assets acquired, net	6,584	7,389
Purchased and excess mortgage servicing rights	23,083	29,230
Refundable federal and state income taxes	1,673	12,857
Other assets	17,761	11,652
Total assets	$2,133,296	$2,345,130
Liabilities and stockholders' equity Liabilities		

Deposits	$1,608,760	$1,740,662
Borrowed funds	354,635	383,692
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	---	41,063
Mortgage payable	1,853	---
ESOP debt	8,263	9,044
Advances from borrowers for taxes and insurance	18,309	21,231
Accrued interest payable	9,402	9,956
Accrued and deferred federal and state income taxes	4,084	7,092
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	5,365	8,008
Total liabilities	$2,010,671	$2,220,748
Stockholders' equity Serial preferred stock, authorized 5,000,000 shares; none issued and outstanding Common stock, $.01 par value, authorized 20,000,000 shares; issued 7,141,922 & 7,141,922 shares	71	71
Paid-in capital	41,514	41,514
Retained earnings	90,668	93,206
Treasury stock, 102,800 shares, at cost	(1,365)	(1,365)
ESOP debt	(8,263)	(9,044)
Total stockholders' equity	122,625	124,382
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$2,133,296	$2,345,130

THE BOSTON FIVE BANCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY

NET INTEREST MARGIN, RATIOS, AND AVERAGE BALANCES (1)

(unaudited)

	Three months ended July 31,	
($ in thousands)	1990	1989
Net interest margin	2.15 pct.	2.35 pct.
Net interest spread for the period	2.25 pct.	2.09 pct.
Net income (loss) as a pct. of:		
Average assets	(0.11) pct.	0.32 pct.
Average equity	(1.98) pct.	5.16 pct.
Average equity to avg. assets	5.64 pct.	6.17 pct.
Average assets	$2,175,510	$2,365,429
Average earnings assets	$1,978,351	$2,238,494
Average loans	$1,726,286	$1,963,609
Average equity	$ 122,701	$ 145,896

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) today became the first company in the United States to receive delivery of 2.4 gigabit lightwave synchronous optical network (SONET) transmission equipment.

The equipment, Northern Telecom's (NYSE: NT) new S/DMS TransportNode, will be used in SONET field trials scheduled to begin next month between two MCI facilities in Richardson, Texas. MCI and Northern Telecom successfully tested the revolutionary transmission equipment in laboratories over the past six months.

SONET equipment has been designed and developed to optimize the capabilities of fiber-optic communications networks. It provides higher bandwidth and faster speeds for evolving voice, data and ISDN services.

"Each OC-48 terminal operates at 2.4 gigabits per second and is capable of carrying 32,000 simultaneous two-way voice or data circuits on one fiber pair," said Richard T. Liebhaber, MCI executive vice president and group executive. "A major advantage of SONET technology is that it will allow us to combine multiple channels on demand and to provide the higher bandwidths when customers require them."

SONET is the new multiplexing hierarchy of the future and provides MCI with a new transmission standard. It will also provide an optical interface for local exchange and other carriers and customers to interconnect with MCI in the fiber-optic cable rather than installing special hardware in their central office.

"MCI has established itself as an industry leader in its use of fiber-optic technology," said Liebhaber. "MCI has continuously led the industry in the deployment of the highest rate fiber systems, including the first single mode fiber and the first 1.1 and 1.8 gigabit per second systems. Our goal is to become the first long distance company to install SONET equipment in a transmission network to provide commercial service."

MCI expects the field trials for the SONET equipment to be completed before the end of 1990. Deployment of the equipment throughout the MCI network is scheduled to begin in early 1991, before any other interexchange carrier.

John C.W. Taylor, group vice president - transmission for Northern Telecom said: "This is a major milestone in the rollout of our new FiberWorld family of products and keeps us on track with our marketplace commitments. The new S/DMS TransportNode equipment goes far beyond simply an

increased transmission speed to give MCI a great deal of wideband service flexibility and network survivability."

MCI, with 1989 revenues of $6.47 billion, serves its customers with a variety of domestic and international telecommunications services, including long distance telephone, telex and time sensitive message delivery. MCI's residential and business customers are now provided with an array of voice and data services made possible through a digital telecommunications network that spans the globe.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Leading energy project developers O'Brien Energy Systems, Inc. (AMEX: OBS), the Adwin Equipment Company, an affiliate of the Philadelphia Electric Company (NYSE: PE), and the United Thermal Development Corporation, a subsidiary of United Thermal Corporation (OTC: CETH), today announced an agreement to jointly develop and own a $100 million, 118 megawatt combined cycle cogeneration plant in Philadelphia.

The project will be built on the site of Schuylkill Station, an existing steam and electricity generating facility in Philadelphia. The steam will be sold to Philadelphia Thermal Energy Corporation, operators of the Philadelphia steam heating and cooling system. The project will be operated by United Thermal Development Corporation.

"Use of the existing site provides two major advantages, significant construction and interconnection cost savings and reduced environmental emissions in Philadelphia," said Bruce Levy, O'Brien Energy's vice president. "We plan to begin construction within 12 months and commence operations in late 1993," Levy added.

According to Steve Smith, president of Philadelphia Thermal, "this plant is especially beneficial to our stream users. It will provide substantial and reliable new steam generating capacity to the energy infrastructure in Philadelphia, allowing us to meet the long-term steam energy requirements of our customers," Smith said.

The project will utilize a classic cogeneration design, a highly efficient process of generating steam and electricity simultaneously from a single fuel source.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - NaTec Resources, Inc. (NASDAQ: NATC) and CRSS Inc. (NYSE: CRX) have approved in principle the sale and purchase, respectively, of up to $10 million of NaTec Class A redeemable convertible preferred stock, subject to negotiation of final terms and conditions along with the execution of final documents.

Proceeds from any sale would be used by NaTec to fund continuing operations and other general corporate purposes, and to complete its nahcolite mining and processing facility. The nahcolite facility is scheduled to begin commercial operations during the first quarter of 1991 with initial production of 125,000 tons of processed nahcolite per year.

NaTec is committed to the control of pollutants commonly associated with acid rain. The company provides consulting engineering, injection system installation, operations and maintenance services, and processed sorbent supply. Primary markets are utility, industrial power generation, pulp and paper, refining and municipal solid waste.

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WILMINGTON, DE (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont Canada today announced a program with Procter & Gamble Inc. (NYSE: PG) (Canada) to recycle post-consumer plastic into new bottles for P & G's liquid laundry and cleaning products.

Under the program, containers made of high-density polyethylene (HDPE) will be collected curbside in Ontario and Quebec and recycled by Plastic Recycling Alliance (PRA), a joint venture in North America between Du Pont (NYSE: DD) and Waste Management Inc.

The collected HDPE containers, some of them from Waste Management Inc.'s curbside programs, will be sorted, ground into flake, washed, dried and packaged by PRA. The recycled material then will be supplied by Du Pont in a form Procter & Gamble Canada's bottle supplier can use to package laundry and cleaning liquids marketed in Canada.

The joint program is part of Procter & Gamble's commitment to include post-consumer recycled plastic content in its liquid laundry and cleaning product bottles, commencing with 25 percent content and increasing to 50 percent as experience is gained.

"We are proud to help consumers participate in recycling by providing them with environmentally compatible packaging," said Douglas Grindstaff, president of Procter & Gamble Inc. "This joint venture with Du Pont reinforces Procter & Gamble's commitment to minimize the impact of our products on the environment."

The program is part of Du Pont's ongoing recycling efforts to help solve the municipal solid waste problem.

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LINKOEPING, SWEDEN (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Saab-Scania AB and General Motors Corporation (NYSE: GM) have signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) on Aug. 17 to jointly organize a customer finance company.

The joint venture will provide financial services for Saab 2000 regional jetprop customers. Allison Gas Turbine Division of General Motors Corporation is developing the GMA 2100 engine to power the Saab 2000.

Saab-Scania will own 80 percent of the joint finance company and General Motors will own 20 percent. Management of the joint finance company will be provided by the Saab Aircraft customer Finance Group of the Saab Aircraft Division. Saab Aircraft's finance office is headquartered in Stockholm, Sweden. The yet to be named finance company is expected to be in operation by the end of this year.

The Saab 2000 program was formally launched less than two years ago. Several U.S. and European-based regional airline operators have committed to the fast, 50-58 seat regional airliner. The total orders and options for the Saab 2000 now stand at 162.

The Saab 2000 will be certified for delivery in the second half of 1993. The aircraft is being developed and will be produced at Saab Aircraft's facilities in Linkoeping.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Since 1977, a little-known subsidiary of Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) -- Van Pool Services, Inc. (VPSI) -- has helped the nation save more than 258 million gallons of gasoline or 6.1 million barrels of oil over the past 13 years.

Thomas J. McDonald, president of VPSI, said, "Those are impressive statistics, but people only seem to notice them when we are in the kind of world situation we're facing today. Conservation is something we should think of constantly, and commuter vanpooling is one of the best ways to achieve real fuel savings."

A vanpool is a group of seven to 15 commuters who share the ride to and from work each day in a volunteer-driven passenger van. It is estimated that each commuter van replaces 10 cars on the highways during peak driving periods. Besides significant fuel savings, the riders save money by sharing the cost of operating the van.

Chrysler began VPSI as a service for its employees in 1975. Chrysler expanded VPSI's service to the general public two years later. VPSI's nearly 4,000 commuter vans serve 40 major metropolitan areas and transport more passenger-trips per year than Greyhound Lines.

In the past 13 years, VPSI commuter vans have accommodated more than 130 million passenger-trips, of which an estimated 115 million would have been made by automobiles occupied by one person. "That translates into fuel savings of over 258 million gallons of gasoline or 6.1 million barrels of oil," according to Jon Martz, VPSI director of Sales & Marketing.

This year alone, VPSI Commuter Vanpools will transport a projected 25.5 million passenger-trips, resulting in an estimated savings of 68 million gallons of gasoline.

Chrysler has also authorized VPSI to provide other, innovative transportation services using specially modified Chrysler vehicles, such as paratransit services for the elderly and the physically challenged.

VPSI maintains Customer Service Centers in the following cities to assist people in signing up for the programs:

Los Angeles (3); Chicago; Detroit; Boston; Washington, D.C.; Houston; Dallas; San Francisco (2); St. Louis; St. Paul, Minn.; Pittsburgh; Newark, N.J.; New Orleans; Columbus, Ohio; Orlando, Fla.; Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Stamford, Conn.; Richmond, Va.; Marietta, Ga.; Cocoa, Fla. Grand Rapids, Mich.; and Edwardsville, Ill.

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NORWOOD, MA (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Analog Devices (NYSE: ADI) today

announced sales of $120.7 million for the third fiscal quarter ended August 4, 1990. Revenues were $7.3 million higher than those for last year's third quarter and $4.3 million above this year's second quarter, although it should be noted that the quarter just ended was a 14-week period, vs. the normal 13-week period.

Operating income was 6.0 percent of sales, lower than the 9.5 percent posted for last year's third quarter but equal to the second quarter's. Net income was $5.2 million, or 11 cents per share, below last year's 16 cents, but up from the previous quarter's ten cents.

Gross margin for the third quarter was 51.1 percent of sales, compared to 52.1 percent for the year-earlier period and 51.0 percent for the prior quarter. Operating expenses were 45.1 percent of sales, up from 42.6 percent for the third quarter last year, but essentially equal to the second quarter's ratio. The year-over-year increase in operating expenses was due primarily to increases in R&D and marketing expenses.

"Factory variable margins remained high during the third quarter," said Joseph Hinchey, senior vice president-finance, "despite continuing pressure on average selling prices for older products and a shift in product mix away from parts for military applications due to the current softness in the military market.

"Gross margin remains above that of most companies in the IC industry. Significant improvement in gross margin depends on revenues increasing above the third quarter level, which will allow us to use more of our available manufacturing capacity and thus allocate our fixed manufacturing costs over larger production volumes.

"Cash flow was strong during the third quarter, as it has been for the past several quarters," commented Hinchey. "This cash flow, when added to the $41 million cash balance we had at the end of the second quarter, allowed us to finance the majority of the $60.5 million cash price paid for Precision Monolithics with cash on hand.

In fact, this purchase, which took place after the close of the third quarter, required additional bank debt of only about $18 million. As a result, our debt-to-equity ratio was approximately 8 percent following the acquisition."

President and Chairman of the Board Ray Stata said, "Third quarter bookings were $123.2 million, which on a 13-week basis would have been about $115 million, or up slightly from the second quarter's $113.8 million.

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#90234p7735 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Nucorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: NUCO) announced today that the company has extended its offer to purchase all shares of its common stock from persons holding 99 or fewer shares until 5:00 p.m. New York time on Monday, Sept. 17, 1990.

The purchase price for the shares will be the closing price on the NASDAQ National Market System on the day stock certificates and all other required documents are received in good order by the company's transfer agent.

CONTACT: Susan Obuchowski for Nucorp, 312-454-0100.

-30- 673

#90234p7736 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Wells Fargo Bank today announced it is implementing a major recycling program throughout the company. The program focuses on purchasing recycled paper from vendors who have it available and piloting a formal recycling program for aluminum cans, bottles and paper in major office buildings at five California locations.

Beginning in September, all teller receipts handed to customers at branches - 5.5 million receipts a month - and company stationery will be printed on recycled paper. Later this fall, the bank's five million ATM envelopes will be converted to recycled paper.

"Because of the sheer volume of paper being used for the teller receipts and ATM envelopes, we chose to begin our recycled purchasing with those two items," explained Lou Ann Winchell, who was hired by the bank to coordinate the program. Both will feature the recycling symbol.

"It makes sense for us to purchase recycled paper and to have a company-sponsored recycling program," explained Winchell. "Like other banks and large corporations, we use a lot of paper in our day-to-day business.

Although we've been recycling office paper in some of our buildings for years, we wanted to implement a formal recycling program statewide, and include aluminum cans and bottles.

"By purchasing recycled paper products, and offering recycled alternatives to our managers who order supplies, we believe we're taking an important step in helping to conserve resources," she said. "According to one of our suppliers, one ton of recyclable paper saves 2-1/2 barrels of oil," she added.

The bank has started to purchase recycled paper for internal items such as staff bulletins, forms and storage boxes, and will expand its use of

recycled paper as selection and quantity become available from suppliers.

"From the research we've done so far, we don't expect this new program to have a financial impact either way. Some items will be slightly more expensive, others will be less, so it should balance out," added Winchell.

"A bigger issue for us is availability - making sure we can get the volume of recycled paper we need on a consistent basis. Corporate demand for recycled paper is just beginning to grow, and there is a question whether supply can reliably meet our needs."

The recycling programs will be piloted in San Francisco (two sites), Concord, Sacramento and El Monte. They will feature paper recycling bins on office floors, recycling boxes for desks and cafeteria recycling bins for cans and bottles.

CONTACT: Kim Kellogg of Wells Fargo Bank, (415) 396-3606.

-30- 2821

#90234p7737 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAYLOR, MI (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Masco Industries, Inc. (OTC: MASX) announced today General Motors Corporation (NYSE: GM) has decided to discontinue development of the Chevrolet Beretta convertible program jointly undertaken by Masco Industries' Cars & Concepts subsidiary and Chevrolet Motor Division.

General Motors representatives indicated marketing considerations were the primary reason for discontinuing the program.

Masco Industries has invested substantial amounts in design, engineering, tooling and plant and equipment for the Beretta convertible program. Masco Industries will pursue recovery of this investment through negotiation with General Motors. Recovery, however, is uncertain, and if recovered amounts are less than Masco Industries' current carrying cost of such investment and related costs (approximately $20 million pretax, or $.15 earnings per share after tax), second-half 1990 earnings would be reduced accordingly.

CONTACT: Kenneth J. Zak of Masco Industries, 313-274-7405, ext. 386.

-30- 1198

#90234p7741 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

EATONTOWN, NJ (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - At its board of trustees meeting held Aug. 14, 1990, the trustees of Monmouth Real Estate Investment Trust (NASDAQ-NMS: MNRTS) declared a $.175 per share quarterly dividend to shareholders of record Nov. 15, 1990, payable Dec. 17, 1990.

The trust's annual dividend rate is $.70 a share. The trust anticipates that its earnings and capital gains for 1991 will be sufficient to maintain the $.70 dividend through 1991. Monmouth Real Estate Investment Trust is a publicly-owned hybrid REIT with offices in Eatontown, N.J.

CONTACT: Rosemarie Faccone of Monmouth Real Estate Investment Trust, (201) 542-4927.

-30- 829

#90234p7742 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

GALVESTON, TX (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Hornbeck Offshore Services Inc. announced today the redemption of all previously outstanding shares of its Series Two Preferred Stock. The Series Two preferred stockholders had the option to redeem their shares for cash or stock. All shareholders of Series Two Preferred Stock elected redemption for 1,002,448 shares of Hornbeck common stock pursuant to the terms of the preferred stock agreement.

Robert Hampton, chief financial officer, noted that the redemption was made because of the increasing redemption value of the preferred stock and because of the company's efforts to simplify its capital structure. "This redemption and the planned redemption of Series A Preferred Stock in September 1990 will not only simplify our capital structure but they will be done without adversely effecting the company's earnings per share calculations. Previous earnings per share calculations had assumed these preferred issues were converted to common stock."

CONTACT: Robert Hampton of Hornbeck Offshore Services, 409-762-8228.

-30- 1256

#90234p7744 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHBROOK, ILL. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of IMCERA Group Inc. (NYSE: IMA) today declared a quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable on Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990.

The board also declared today the regular $1.00 per share quarterly dividend on IMCERA's 4 percent cumulative preferred stock, payable on Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990.

IMCERA, formerly International Minerals & Chemical Corporation, has three businesses -- Mallinckrodt Medical, Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals and Pitman-Moore. IMCERA also owns approximately 38 percent of the common stock of IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc.

CONTACT: (press) Dave Prichard, 708-205-2270, or (investor) Elizabeth Higashi, 708-205-2189, both of IMCERA

-30- 985

#90234p7745 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Global Yield Fund, Inc. (NYSE: PGY) today issued the following August monthly update:

Distribution Information

Amount	Payable Date	Record Date	Declaration Date
$0.220	June 29, 1990	June 15, 1990	May 16, 1990

Investment Advisor Commentary:

-- The fund performed extremely well in July, returning 3.27 percent for the month.

-- All currencies appreciated in response to the Federal Reserve's easing of monetary policy early in July. The federal funds rate fell a quarter point to 8 percent, precipitating a U.S. dollar fall. The fund benefited from this dollar decline as we have been bearish on the dollar, holding large positions in foreign currencies, mainly in Europe.

-- The Federal Reserve cited stifling credit conditions in the United States as their justification for easing of monetary policy. However, in the wake of a continuing weak U.S. economic performance, we believe there exists potential for further lowering of U.S. interest rates. Unexpectedly weak GNP data reported late in July reinforce our belief that further Federal Reserve easing is needed.

-- The fund has increased its exposure to Europe in light of continuing weak U.S. economic fundamentals and growing interest rate differentials in favor of Europe.

-- The fund also maintains a small position in Australia and New Zealand to capture their high yields. The fund remains hedged out of Canada as we see little room for currency appreciation in light of their slowing economy and the slowing U.S. economy, on which Canada is heavily dependent.

CONTACT: Steve Fisher, 212-214-3334, for the Global Yield Fund

-30- 1874

#90234p7746 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Sutro & Co. Inc. announced today the addition of three new institutional salespeople and an institutional trader to the Municipal Bond Department.

Joining Sutro & Co. from Pacific Securities Inc. are Vice Presidents, Jim Woolley, Ted Hynes, David Keegan and William Parkhurst.

"This expansion reflects the continued growth of the Municipal Department at Sutro & Co. and our commitment to the financing and distribution of bonds for municipalities in the Western United States," stated Jerry Phillips, senior vice president of Fixed Income.

Jim Woolley joins Sutro & Co. as vice president of Institutional Trading. In addition to his work with Pacific Securities Inc., he has worked with JJ Kenny, Bank of America and Kidder Peabody. He attended U.C. Davis.

Ted Hynes, part of the institutional salesforce, worked with Salomon Brothers in New York previous to Pacific Securities. He earned his B.A. from Manhattanville College in Purchase, N.Y., in Political Philosophy.

David Keegan, vice president of Institutional Sales, has worked with Bateman Eichler in institutional sales and KR Butler as a broker. Keegan graduated with a B.A. in Finance and Economics from Northeastern University in Boston.

William Parkhurst, an institutional salesman, worked in a similar role at Pacific Securities. Previously, he worked with ML Stern. He earned his B.A. in Marketing Management from Baldwin-Wallace College in Berea, Ohio.

Sutro & Co. Inc., founded in 1858, is the longest-established investment firm in the West.

CONTACT: Jennie DunKley of Sutro & Co., 415-445-2595

-30- 1821

#90234p7748 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Prudential Strategic Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: PSF), today issued the following August 1990 monthly update:

Distribution Information

Amount	Payable Date	Record Date	Declaration Date
$0.08	Aug. 24, 1990	Aug. 13, 1990	Aug. 1, 1990

Investment Adviser Commentary -- On Aug. 15, 1990, the shareholders of the Prudential Strategic Income Fund, Inc., approved a proposal to convert the fund to an open-end investment company. The fund expects to convert to open-end status and commence a continuous public offering of its shares under the name Prudential-Bache Strategic Income Fund, Inc. as soon as reasonably practicable.

-- In July, the net asset value of the Prudential Strategic Income Fund

increased by about 2 percent from $7.62 to $7.77 per share based on solid performances by all three sectors in the fund.

-- Towards the end of July, the fund's investment adviser allocated half of the fund's assets to foreign-government bonds and one-quarter each to the U.S. high yield and government bond portfolios. U.S. government bonds have performed well this past quarter, but they are expected to provide less rewarding returns in the months ahead. U.S. high-yield and foreign-government bonds represent a better opportunity for the near-term. Foreign government bonds will provide currency gains as the U.S. dollar depreciates.

-- The fund's investment adviser still expects the Federal Reserve will lower short-term interest rates before year-end. Although U.S. inflation will rise as a result of higher oil prices, the Federal Reserve will ease credit to prevent a serious recession.

-- The fund remains bullish on European currencies and neutral on most European bond markets. Europe enjoys prospects for stronger growth as economic liberalization progresses in Eastern Europe and as trade barriers fall in Western Europe. These trends should attract investment and bolster European currencies.

-- Several favorable developments occurred in the high yield market -- the most notable being Columbia Savings and Loan's smooth sell-off of their entire portfolio of high-yield bonds, RJR Nabisco's plans for recapitalization, and reduced fears of a large-scale sell-off by the Resolution Trust Corporation.

CONTACT: Steve Fisher, 212-214-3334, for the Prudential Strategic Income Fund

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#90234p7749 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Quanex Corporation (NYSE: NX), a leading manufacturer of specialty metal products, today reported a nine percent increase in net income to $7.8 million or 57 cents per primary common share for the third quarter ended July 31, 1990. This compares to net income of $7.1 million, or 51 cents per primary share for the same quarter of last year.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1990, Quanex net income was $18.9 million, or $1.35 per primary common share, compared to net income of $23.0 million, or $1.66 per primary common share, for the first nine months of last year.

Nichols Homeshield (NH) results produce positive third quarter comparisons

Third quarter sales increased 48 percent to $169.3 million while operating income increased 31 percent to $14.7 million compared to the same quarter of 1989. The year-over-year increases were primarily due to sales of $39.3 million and operating earnings of $4.7 million from the building products segment of NH, acquired in August 1989.

Lower nine months results primarily due to prior strikes For the nine months, sales increased 33 percent to $479.8 million and operating earnings declined three percent to $37. 8 million compared to the same period of last year. The first nine months reflect the previous strikes at Michigan Seamless Tube and LaSalle Steel, and a sluggish economy together with cutbacks in auto and truck markets.

Nichols Homeshield (NH) remodeling sales moderate softness in U.S. housing sector

Carl E. Pfeiffer, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "This quarter would have compared unfavorably with the same quarter of last year without NH. NH performance is meeting our expectations by reducing our cyclicality, diversifying our earnings base, and broadening our served market. Like other Quanex businesses, NH is a value-added manufacturing business that we intend to expand with the previously announced mini-mill project.

"Housing starts are down nationally, reducing overall demand. This has created softness in pricing while at the same time aluminum scrap prices have trended up, reducing margins. However, primarily because of its focus on the remodeling industry, demand for NH products continues to be good."

Quanex performance outpaces industry group, outlook for year is good Pfeiffer continued, "Institutional investors compare Quanex to companies in the steel industry. The Quanex mission is to earn returns for our shareholders that exceed the average for this industry group. Our business strategy has taken Quanex from specialty steel to specialty metals. During this quarter Quanex net income increased 9 percent while, according to the Wall Street Journal, steel industry net income declined 70 percent in the second calendar quarter. Quanex is not a typical steel company and our earnings performance shows it.

"Generally, we believe that Quanex will perform better than the steel industry. And, a seasonally strong fourth quarter is expected to produce fiscal 1990 earnings in the same ballpark as fiscal 1989 when Quanex earned $2.11 per primary common share."

Quanex is positioned for national and international economic uncertainties

Pfeiffer concluded, "All of our operating segments are profitable and

generating cash. In fact, third quarter cash provided by operations was $13.3 million, an increase of 12 percent, flow for the first three quarters it was up 10 percent to $37.3 million, compared to the same periods of last year. We believe Quanex has the financial strength to deal with an economic downturn. If one occurs, we have adequate cash balances, moderate bank debt and strong cash flow.

"As previously announced, we are about to complete a $125 million private placement of long-term debt. The proceeds will be used to repay the bank debt incurred to acquire NH, to construct the NH mini-mill and to provide financing for the future growth of Quanex."

Quanex board of directors declares common and preferred dividends In other business, the Quanex board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share of Quanex common stock and a quarterly dividend of 57 cents per share of depositary convertible exchangeable preferred stock. The common and preferred dividends are payable on Oct. 1 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 17, 1990.

CONTACT: W.F. Cleary of Quanex Corporation, 713-961-4600

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#90234p7752 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

RENO, NE (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Mills-Jennings Company (NASDAQ: JKPT) said net income for the six month period ended May 31 rose 40 percent to $362,411, or 4 cents a share, versus $259,429, or 9 cents a share, a year ago.

Between the two periods, shares outstanding increased from 3,039,683 to 9,470,529, due to the acquisition of 54 percent of Mast-Keystone, a producer of electronic medical and educational equipment, and the purchase of west coast real estate.

Revenue for the six month period totaled $4.3 million versus $4.6 million in the year ago period.

Real Estate Divested Subsequent to the reporting period, the company divested its real estate subsidiary and took back a $2.25 million deed of trust against the subsidiary's sole asset, a 423-acre residential development tract in southern California.

Additionally, Mills-Jennings will receive 50 percent of any profits realized from the sale or development of the property, which was recently appraised at $12.6 million. About $2.6 million is owed on the property, exclusive of Mills-Jennings' interests.

Net income for the company's first quarter totaled $252,677, or 3 cents a

share, versus $105,557 or 2 cents a share, a year ago.

Revenue for the period climbed 16 percent from $2.6 million to 3.0 million principally due to stronger demand for the company's non-food products.

At May 31, shareholder equity stood at $4.8 million, or 51 cents a share.

CONTACT: Thomas Redington of Redington, Inc., 203-222-7399 or 212-926-1733, for Mills-Jennings

-30- 1720

#90234p7757 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Chemical Company announced today that it has engaged Goldman, Sachs and Co. to assist in the sale of the assets of its petroleum additives operation.

Amoco previously announced its intention to sell the operation, headquartered in Clayton, Mo., which has two wholly owned manufacturing facilities in the United States -- at Wood River, Ill., and Natchez, Miss. It employs more than 570 people in the United States and abroad.

Amoco said the operation, which manufactures and markets additives that enhance the performance of fuels and engine lubricating oils, is not integral to its long-term chemical strategy.

Goldman, Sachs and Co. is expected to begin discussions with prospective buyers over the next few weeks, Amoco said.

Amoco Chemical Company is the worldwide chemical manufacturing and marketing subsidiary of Chicago-based Amoco Corporation (NYSE: AN).

CONTACT: Mike Thompson, 312-856-5566, or Ralph Stow, 312-856-5481, both of Amoco

-30- 1182

#90234p7758 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Varity Corporation (NYSE: VAT) today reported the following results:

VARITY CORPORATION
(In U.S. dollars)

Quarter to July 31;	1990	1989
Sales	$ 937,800,000	535,300,000
Net income	26,900,000	20,100,000
Share earnings		
Primary	.09	.08

Fully diluted	.08	.07
Average shares		
Primary	249,115,000	206,434,000
Fully diluted	338,530,000	292,530,000
Six months to July 31;		
Sales	$1,763,600,000	1,059,100,000
Net income	47,600,000	36,200,000
Share earnings		
Primary	.16	.13
Fully diluted	.14	.12
Average shares		
Primary	248,062,000	206,368,000
Fully diluted	335,873,000	292,381,000

Varity Corporation increased net income in the second quarter to US$26.9 million, 34 percent higher than the year-ago period. Pre-tax income climbed 45 percent in the three months ended July 31, 1990, and consolidated net sales increased 75 percent.

For the first six months, Varity's net income rose to $47.6 million, 31 percent ahead of the year-ago level. Pre-tax income in the same period advanced 35 percent, and sales, reflecting a key acquisition in late 1989, increased 67 percent.

Varity Corporation is a multinational industrial management company whose key operations are typically market leaders -- Kelsey-Hayes is the world's largest producer of anti-lock brake systems and a major supplier of aluminum and steel wheels and conventional brakes; Massey-Ferguson is the world's best-selling brand of farm tractors; and Perkins supplies high-performance diesel engines to some 600 machinery-producing customers around the world. Other Varity businesses include MF Industrial machinery Pacoma hydraulic products, Dayton Parts automotive aftermarket products, and financial services for retail and wholesale customers.

CONTACT: J. R. Nowling of Varity, 416-593-3773

-30- 2353

#90234p7759 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Schneider (USA) Inc., a Pfizer company has announced that Eugene Larson was promoted to vice president, Quality Assurance. Larson had been the director of Quality Assurance at Schneider (USA) Inc since 1987, and previously had extensive experience in Quality Assurance and Quality Control functions in both medical and non-medical companies. Larson was responsible for establishing the Quality Assurance Program and gaining compliance with Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) regulations at Precision-Cosmet prior to its acquisition by Johnson and Johnson.

Schneider (USA) Inc, a Pfizer company based in Minneapolis, is engaged in developing, manufacturing, and marketing diagnostic and therapeutic products for vascular diseases, with a primary emphasis on the expanding market for products to treat cardiovascular disease.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Tully of Schneider (USA) Inc, 612-550-5500

-30- 1123

#90234p7761 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH WILKESBORO, NC (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Lowe's Companies, Inc. (NYSE: LOW) announced today a second quarter sales increase of 10 percent. Total earnings were flat compared to the second quarter of 1989. Earnings per share were 80 cents.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS(A)
(In millions, except share data)
Quarter Ended July 31:

	Pct. Change(b)	1990	1989
Total Sales	+ 10	$818.05	$746.20
Net Earnings(a)	-	$ 29.96	$ 29.93
Earnings Per Share(a)	- 1	$ .80	$ .80
Average Shares Outstanding	+ 1	37,568,250	37,239,296

QUARTERLY SALES ANALYSIS

Quarter Ended:		July 31, 1990		July 31, 1989	
	Pct Change	Total Sales (000,000)	Pct of Total	Total Sales (000,000)	Pct of Total
Retail Sales	+ 13	$537.3	66	$477.0	64
Contractor Sales	+ 4	$280.8	34	$269.2	36
Total Sales	+ 10	$818.1	100	$746.2	100
Comp. Stores(c)	+ 3	$721.5	88	$700.2	94
New Projects(d)	+134	$ 96.6	12	41.3	5
Closed Stores		-		4.7	1
Total Stores	+ 10	$818.1	100	$746.2	100

(a) For details, please see comparative tables attached. (b) Calculated from unrounded amounts. (c) 275 average stores open more than one year for the second quarter with comparable square footage.

(d) Stores open less than one year and stores which have been retrofitted or relocated during the past twelve months.

Lowe's currently operates 307 stores in 20 states located primarily in the South Atlantic and South Central regions of the United States. Incremental retail sales space for the second quarter exceeded 200,000 square feet,

for a company total surpassing 6.5 million. Lowe's is a specialty retailer of building materials, consumer durables, and home center products for the do-it-yourself and home construction markets. Lowe's shares are listed on the New York, Pacific and London Stock Exchanges under the ticker symbol of LOW.

CONTACT: For further information, including weekly sales data, contact W. Cliff Oxford or Clarissa S. Felts of Lowe's Companies, Inc., 919-651-4631 or 919-651-4254

-30- 2725

#90234p7762 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Schneider (USA) Inc, a Pfizer company has announced that A.N. Narayanswami was promoted to vice president, operations. Narayanswami joined Schneider in October 1989 as vice president, operations for Schneider (USA) Pittsburgh. Narayanswami was previously employed by Johnson & Johnson for 13 years as vice president, manufacturing in their Cardiovascular Division. Narayanswami has a masters degree in industrial engineering and a masters of business administration degree in operations management/finance from UCLA.

Schneider (USA) Inc, a Pfizer company based in Minneapolis, is engaged in developing, manufacturing, and marketing diagnostic and therapeutic products for vascular diseases, with a primary emphasis on the expanding market for products to treat cardiovascular disease.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Tully of Schneider (USA), 612-550-5500

-30- 1071

#90234p7763 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

FALLS CHURCH, VA. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - First Virginia Banks, Inc. (NYSE: FVB) today declared a quarterly dividend of 32 cents per share on the corporation's common stock. The announcement was made by Robert H. Zalokar, FVBI chairman and chief executive officer.

At its regular monthly meeting today, the corporation's board of directors also declared a quarterly cash dividend of 12-1/2 cents per share on its Series A preferred stock, 17-1/2 cents per share on its Series B and C preferred stock, and 20 cents per share on its Series D preferred stock.

Each of the dividends is payable Oct. 15, 1990 to stockholders of record as of the close of business Sept. 28, 1990.

CONTACT: Harry W. Allen of First Virginia Banks, 703-241-3657

-30- 929
#90234p7766 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Schneider (USA) Inc, a Pfizer company has announced that Dennis Holman was promoted to vice president, Personnel. Holman joined Schneider, then Angiomedics, in June 1986 as Personnel Manager. He was previously employed by Fairview Community Hospitals for eight years, most recently as director of Human Resources and Public Relations for Fairview Ridges Hospital. Holman was also an employment manager with Powers department stores. Holman holds a B.A. degree from the University of Minnesota and a M.S. degree from Mankato State University.

Schneider (USA) Inc, a Pfizer company based in Minneapolis, is engaged in developing, manufacturing, and marketing diagnostic and therapeutic products for vascular diseases, with a primary emphasis on the expanding market for products to treat cardiovascular disease.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Tully of Schneider (USA), 612-550-5500

-30- 1094
#90234p7767 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Global Government Plus Fund, Inc. (NYSE: GOV) today issued the following August monthly update:

Distribution Information:

Amount	Payable Date	Record Date	Declaration Date
$0.20	July 13, 1990	June 29, 1990	June 14, 1990

Investment Adviser Commentary:
-- All the major bond markets, except Japan's, rallied during the month. The U.S. dollar continued to depreciate against all the major foreign currencies. This decline made solid performances by the overseas bond markets even better when converted from local currency into the U.S. dollar.

-- The dollar also suffers from the widely held expectation that U.S. interest rates will fall as a possible recession approaches. This belief received more support from the release of weak GNP and employment data. Despite the rapid rise in oil prices in the wake of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the threat of recession may be great enough for the Federal Reserve to ease credit.

-- Strategically, the fund's investment advisor maintains a larger exposure to European bonds and currencies than the allocation used in Salomon Brothers World Bond Index. The fund is still positive on most foreign currencies, in spite of the boost the U.S. dollar received from the Iraqi invasion. In anticipation of the recent performance of the

Treasury market, the fund acquired more intermediate bonds, which performed better than long-term bonds. The yield curve has steepened dramatically as investors bid up prices on short-term securities and sold off long-term holdings.

The Global Government Plus Fund, Inc. is a closed-end investment company invested in debt securities issued or guaranteed by governments, semi-governmental entities, government agencies, supranational entities, and other governmental entities in the United States and 20 other major countries and denominated in the currencies of such countries.

CONTACT: Steve Fisher, 212-214-3334, for the Global Government Plus Fund

-30- 2206

#90234p7770 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - FLGI Holding Corp., a corporation formed by Forstmann Little & Co., announced today that it had completed its acquisition of General Instrument Corporation through the merger of FLGI Acquisition Corp., a subsidiary of FLGI Holding Corp., into General Instrument Corporation. Each outstanding publicly held General Instrument common share has been converted in the merger into $44.50 in cash. General Instrument stockholders of record as of the close of business today will be mailed information describing how they may present their shares for payment.

In connection with the merger, holders of General Instrument's 7-1/4 percent subordinated convertible debentures due 2012 may now convert their debentures into $1,097.01 in cash, without interest, for each $1,000 principal amount outstanding. Separately, General Instrument announced today that it has elected to redeem all its convertible debentures outstanding on Sept. 12, 1990 at a redemption price of $1,050.75 per $1,000 principal amount plus accrued interest to Sept. 12, 1990, for a total redemption price of $1,068.27 for each $1,000 principal amount of debentures then outstanding. Holders of the convertible debentures have until 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on Sept. 11, 1990 to surrender debentures for the conversion payment of $1,097.01 in cash, without interest, per $1,000 principal amount; convertible debentures received after that time will be redeemed for the lower redemption price. Information will be mailed to General Instrument debenture holders describing how they may present debentures for conversion or redemption.

CONTACT: Edward Kearney, 212-207-6333, of Forstmann Little, or Linda Blanc of Clark & Weinstock, 212-953-2550, or John Scanlon, 212-704-8126, for Forstmann Little

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#90234p7773 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
FAIRVIEW, N.J. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - American Design Corp. (NASDAQ: AMDC) issued supplementary information today relating to its financial results for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

The company yesterday reported net sales for the period were $7,547,008, compared to $7,017,022 for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1989, and earnings were $59,340, or 4 cents per share, compared to $285,431, or 19 cents per share, for the prior fiscal year.

A company spokesman today attributed the decline in earnings primarily to fourth-quarter adjustments, certain of which management of the company disagreed with, arising from the establishment of certain reserves.

The company is a New Jersey-based distributor of other entities' excess and obsolete inventories of electronic and electromechanical components.

CONTACT: Allan Berkun, president of American Design, 201-941-5000

-30- 1039
#90234p7775 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Students who need to travel during the upcoming school year will find the trip less expensive when they join TWA's student discount program.

The TWA Getaway Student Discount Card can be purchased for $15 for a one year membership and $25 for two years. This card entitles students to a 10 percent discount off any published fare, including TWA's deeply discounted domestic and international economy fares.

Those interested in joining the program must be a full time high school or college student between the ages of 16 and 26.

In addition, students who enroll automatically will be members in TWA's Frequent Flight Bonus Program and have 3,000 miles awarded to them if they fly TWA within 90 days of joining.

Students interested in enrolling should visit a travel agent or write to TWA Getaway Student Discount Program, P.O. Box 6000, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462.

TWA and its commuter affiliates serve more than 125 cities throughout North America, Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

CONTACT: Jim Faulkner of TWA, 314-298-6303

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CONTACT: Jeffrey S. Ratner, CEO of Sulcus Computer Corp., 412-836-2000

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - G&K Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: GKSRA)

today reported record operating results for the fourth quarter and year ended June 30, 1990.

Net earnings for the year reached $10,208,000, an increase of 23 percent over fiscal 1989 earnings of $8,312,000. On a per share basis, net earnings were 76 cents compared with 62 cents a year earlier. Revenues for the year were $118,656,000, a gain of 9 percent over the previous year's $108,817,000.

For the fourth quarter of 1990, net earnings were $2,344,000 versus $2,025,000 a year earlier, an increase of 16 percent. Per share earnings were 17 cents, compared with 15 cents in the fourth quarter last year. Revenues gained 10 percent to $30,793,000 from $28,104,000 a year earlier.

All per share values have been restated to reflect a 50 percent stock dividend in October 1989, which increased the number of shares outstanding to approximately 13,430,000.

Richard Fink, chairman of the major textile leasing company, stated that demand for the company's uniforms and related products remained strong throughout fiscal 1990 with the fourth quarter setting a new all- time high in the volume of new accounts added.

"Earnings for the year were very strong, with pre-tax margins of 14 percent versus 12 percent a year earlier,'' Fink said. He credited the maturing of earlier acquisitions and startup operations, as well as improved plant operations and tighter control of textile inventories as the major reasons for improved margins.

The slower earnings growth rate in the fourth quarter reflected operating losses from three new startup locations. In the third and fourth quarters, G&K began new startup operations in Miami, St. Louis and Seattle. Business development at each location is progressing on schedule.

G&K Services is one of the largest textile leasing companies in the United States. The company provides and maintains work garments and other related textile products to a wide variety of businesses and institutions. G&K operates in 22 states, serving customers from 19 processing plants and 29 sales and service centers.

CONTACT: Richard Fink, of G&K Services, 612-546-7440; Nick Farina of Financial Relations Board-Chicago, 312-266-7800, or Jan Quartner of FRB-New York, 212-661-8030, both for G&K Services

-30- 2535

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Comprehensive Care Corp. (NYSE: CMP) today announced that the inspector of election had completed its review of the consents tendered by the Shareholders Committee to Rejuvenate CompCare and that the Shareholders Committee had succeeded in its efforts to remove the company's current directors. As a result of the solicitations by the Shareholders Committee and by the outgoing board of directors, six nominees of the Shareholders Committee -- Norman L. Perry, Harvey G. Felsen, Howard S. Groth, Robert I. Miller, Charles Moore and Michael K. O'Toole -- and W. James Nicol, the nominee of the outgoing board of directors, were elected as directors.

Comprehensive Care Corp., based in St. Louis, is a national provider of chemical dependency treatment programs under the service mark "CareUnit" and physical rehabilitation programs under the service mark "RehabCare."

CONTACT: W. James Nicol, 314-537-1288, for Comprehensive Care Corp.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The following are highlights of the Stampede Oils Inc. (Alberta: STF) and partners purchase of a critical P&NG Lease located adjacent to and north of the existing Grassy PN&G Lease.

HIGHLIGHTS

- -- Stampede Oils Inc. and partners purchased critical petroleum and natural gas lease for $828,085.00, the highest price paid out of a total of 48 P&NG leases sold at the Aug. 15, 1990, British Columbia government crown lease sale. Stampede's interest in this new lease is 10.00 percent and it has potential to increase this significantly.
- -- Newly purchased lease is adjacent to the original petroleum and natural gas lease where Stampede et al have recently discovered two new major Debolt gas pools.
- -- These two new pools calculated to hold from 250 billion cubic feet to 500 BCF of recoverable sweet gas reserves.
- -- Stampede and partners plan to have one gas well in each pool on production before the end of this year, each at a rate of approximately 15 million cubic feet of gas per day.
- -- These two gas wells to be produced on a crown royalty free basis for the first three years of production.
- -- Two more wells should be placed on production next year, at similar rates of 15 MMCF of gas per day each.
- -- Construction of eight-inch gas pipeline to tie-in to Westcoast mainline system planned to commence in September of this year.

Stampede Oils Inc., a working interest partner in the Bearcat Stampede et al a-95-D/94-G-7 gas well in the Grassy area of N.E. British Columbia,

announces that it has, along with the other working interest partners, acquired at the recent Aug. 15, 1990, Crown Sale, a very critical P&NG Lease located adjacent to and north of the existing Grassy P&NG Lease, in which it has a 15 percent interest.

Though the operator of this prospect had posted a total of eleven separate leases in this area for the crown sale, the main interest was focused on this one new lease, which the Stampede group purchased for the highest price paid out of the total 48 P&NG Leases sold, being a bonus consideration of $828,085.00. Two other leases, one adjacent to the west border and the other diagonally adjacent to the northwest of this newly acquired lease were sold for bonus considerations of $225,222.75 and $155,001.24 respectively. The company and its partners considered that these last two leases did not have sufficient geological or geophysical merit, and it therefore submitted only nominal bids on these and eight other leases scattered throughout the area.

This new P&NG Lease is located very strategically for the development of a significant magnitude of additional Debolt gas reserves as two newly discovered gas pools drilled into by the group this past year are interpreted to directly underlay this lease. Stampede's interest in the newly acquired lease is 10.00 percent and it has good potential to increase this very significantly.

CONTACT: John W. McLeod of Stampede Oils Inc., 403-265-6166

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#90234p7782 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Methode Electronics, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: METH) today reported a 143 percent increase in both net income and earnings per share for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990. Net income increased to $1,865,000 from $767,000 on a sales rise of 13 percent to $34,514,000 compared to $30,450,000 a year ago. Earnings jumped to $.17 per share, up from $.07 per share for last year's first quarter. Sales and earnings results were both first quarter records.

President William J. McGinley said, "Methode's connectors and controls companies led the way to our strongest-ever first quarter performance. Our connector business continued to show significant improvement over a reasonable 1990 performance with a sales increase of nearly 40 percent and a dramatic increase in profits. We enjoy wide acceptance in the marketplace for our new product introductions including, for instance, Methode's surface mount connectors, innovative chip carrier sockets and a new family of input/output termination devices. We continue to bring improved products on stream expanding successful product line families as the marketplace dictates.

"Automotive control sales increased more than 20 percent for the first quarter, producing a significant increase in profits. We have introduced several new automotive controls during the last year and a half and have enjoyed a real boom in sales from the acceptance of our clock spring devices for use in air bags for Ford and, starting in August, for Chrysler.

"Another positive development has been the acceptance of our bus bar products, with a doubling of sales compared to the same period a year ago. In 1989, we purchased a new facility and equipped it with state-of-the-art machining centers for fabricating heavy copper conductor strips for use in high amperage bus bar applications. Our advanced capability allows us to participate at the onset of next generation programs giving us an edge over competition.

"As strong as our performance was for the first quarter, it could have been better. Our multi-layer printed circuit facilities were off sharply as new orders for defense related products continue their decline. Our new order rate has been weak for quite some time. The uncertainties as to reduced activity in weapons production continue although recent events in the Middle East renew interest in programs that were cold-shouldered only months ago. We are pursuing diversification efforts and have recently started, for the first time, production of matched impedance circuitry.

"Our bare board circuit verification test equipment subsidiary operates at a disappointing level in a weak marketplace. We anticipate a boost in activity next winter when our next generation of equipment is scheduled for production. Until we are able to move the new equipment into the marketplace, this division will continue to report unfavorable results.

"The outlook for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 continues to be favorable with most of our companies expected to produce along the lines of what was reported for the first quarter. However, this promising outlook could be sidetracked if the national labor contract negotiations with the Big 3 automobile producers hit a snag. If there are work stoppages out of Detroit, we would be obviously negatively affected," he concluded.

METHODE ELECTRONICS, INC.
Financial Highlights

Three Months ended July 31;	1990	1989
Net sales	$34,514,000	$30,450,000
Income before income taxes	2,913,000	1,282,000
Income taxes	1,048,000	515,000
Net income	1,865,000	767,000
Earnings per common share	$ .17	$ .07
Average number of common shares outstanding	11,089,000	10,983,000

CONTACT: Kevin Hayes, vice president and treasurer of Methode Electronics, 708-867-9600; or Eugene Lyman of E.W. Lyman Associates, 312-944-0430, for Methode Electronics

-30- 4331

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T today said it will offer another event which will benefit North Florida consumers in its "Talk About a Summer Time" promotion with special long-distance prices and a sweepstakes on Friday, Aug. 24.

The company designated it "Customer Appreciation Day" and said its holiday prices will be in effect for out-of-state calls on that Friday. As on other holidays, AT&T's evening prices are extended to include normal daytime calling hours (8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) and are an average 32 percent less than AT&T's daytime prices.

AT&T also said customers who place an AT&T long-distance call between midnight Thursday and midnight Friday will be entered automatically in a sweepstakes and could win a family vacation or one of more than 1,000 other prizes.

The grand prize in AT&T's sweepstakes is a family vacation for four to anywhere in the United States, including Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Air transportation, hotel accomodations and car rental are included. Other prizes include coolers, tote bags and beach towels.

To be entered automatically in the sweepstakes, customers must place an AT&T long-distance call billed to their home telephone. Only one entry per household will be allowed. Prizes will be awarded to those persons in whose name the telephone service is provided.

Customers who do not make an AT&T long-distance call on Friday can obtain official rules with alternative form of entry by calling toll-free 800-831-2000. The deadline for alternate entries is Sept. 7, 1990.

A drawing for prizes will be held on or after Oct. 31, 1990. AT&T employees and family members are not eligible for prizes.

AT&T's "Talk About a Summer Time" promotion began when the company kicked off the Memorial Day weekend with low prices the evening of May 25. AT&T customers also received special prices July 3 and 5, and Aug. 4. The company said it's offering these events to thank its customers for their loyalty.

Friday's special prices on long-distance do not apply to in-state or international calls. Automatic entry into the sweepstakes, however,

includes any AT&T calls billed to customers' home telephones. For more information about Friday's promotion, customers can call toll-free 800-831-2000.

CONTACT: Julie Spechler of AT&T, 305-662-6411 (office), or 305-922-3537 (home).

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MILAN, ILL. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle Food Centers, Inc. (NASDAQ: EGLE) today announced that sales for the second quarter increased 0.9 percent while net income declined due to higher promotional, insurance and employee costs and a non-recurring charge for a store closing.

For the second quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990, total sales rose to $282.5 million from $280.0 million in the same period a year ago. Comparable store sales were flat in the quarter. Net income for the quarter declined to $742,000, or six cents per share, compared to $2,478,000, or 22 cents per share, in the year-ago quarter.

Eagle said that during the 1990 quarter over $1.2 million of additional wage and fringe benefits were incurred, compared to a year ago, from the return of employee concessions in connection with labor contract extensions negotiated at the beginning of the year. In addition, a non-recurring, non-cash pre-tax charge of $900,000, equal to five cents per share after provision for taxes, is included in the second quarter to establish a reserve for the closing of a store in Quincy, Ill., in the third quarter. This charge is related to the write-off of stepped-up asset values arising from the 1987 Asset Transfer from Lucky Stores.

Pat Petitti, chairman and chief executive officer, said this store closing will produce approximately $300,000 per year in subsequent tangible cash savings.

Sales for the twenty-six week period ended Aug. 4, 1990 were $564.1 million, 2.0 percent higher than the $552.9 million in the similar period in 1989. Comparable store sales increased 0.9 percent for the six month period.

Net income for the six months was $3,458,000, or 30 cents per share, compared to $5,065,000, or 44 cents per share, a year ago. The decline was attributable to the higher employee, insurance and promotional costs and the store closing charge in the second half of the period.

Eagle Food Centers, Inc. is a leading regional supermarket chain headquartered in Milan, Ill., operating 106 stores in northern and central Illinois, eastern Iowa and northwestern Indiana under the trade name Eagle

Food Centers.

CONTACT: Robert Van De Voorde of Eagle Food Centers, 309-787-7730; Jack Queeney of Financial Relations Board, 312-266-7800

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#90234p7795 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - CF Motor Freight, one of the nation's largest long-haul trucking companies, has opened a 24-door Alexandria terminal, which will enable the company to provide improved freight transportation services to its customers in northeast Virginia.

The new three-acre facility, located at 8025 Mims St., serves businesses in Alexandria, Fairfax, Lorton, Quantico, Springfield and Woodbridge. The terminal is the area's link to CF Motor Freight's nationwide freight-flow system, a 697-terminal network serving virtually every business address in the United States and Canada, including Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

"By opening this terminal, we are moving closer to our Alexandria area customers," said Philip Lohmann, Alexandria terminal manager. "This enables us to provide our customers here with more responsive and efficient freight transportation services."

The Alexandria facility is a spin-off of the company's Temple Hills, Md. and Manassas, Va. terminals, which have served local businesses for more than 15 years. Current CF Motor Freight customers in the Alexandria area include American Association of Retired People, General Service Administration, MRW International and Stephenson Inc. Among the commodities transported are retail products, printed materials and general commodities.

The new terminal has 18 employees -- 10 drivers and eight office workers -- and uses nine tractors and 20 trailers to carry freight for its customers.

Like all CF Motor Freight terminals, Alexandria is tied into the company's freight-flow system through a sophisticated nationwide computer freight tracking and data management network. The company's system enables Alexandria customers to obtain instant status of their shipments, whether inbound or outbound, as well as pricing, volume and other freight profile and logistics information that helps customers manage their businesses.

CF Motor Freight provides intermediate and long-haul transportation of less-than-truckload freight, which are commercial and industrial shipments generally weighing less than 10,000 pounds. The company is based in Palo Alto, Calif.

CONTACT: Doug Kline, 415-494-2900; or Phil Lohmann, 703-550-5490, both of CF Motor Freight

-30- 2470

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MAYWOOD, NJ (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert M. Kossick, president and chief executive officer of National Community Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: NCBR) announced today at the Aug. 22, 1990 regular meeting of the board of directors a cash dividend of 35 cents per share was declared on the common stock of the company payable Oct. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 17, 1990.

National Community Banks, Inc. with assets of $4.1 billion at June 30, 1990, serves New Jersey with one-hundred-thirteen full service branches in thirteen counties.

CONTACT: Diane Dunleavy of Darcey & Darcey, 201-831-8805, for National Community Banksl.

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CONTACT: Jeffrey S. Ratner, CEO of Sulcus Computer Corp., 412-836-2000.

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#90234p7803 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CROMWELL, CT (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Ripley Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: RIPY) announced today that its board of directors at a special meeting on Aug. 21, 1990 approved the calling of a special meeting of shareholders, which will be held on Sept. 25, 1990 at 11 a.m. at the offices of Ripley Company to vote upon approval of the agreement and plan of merger with Ripley Acquisition Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Capewell Components Company Limited Partnership of Hartford, Conn. Shareholders of record on Aug. 24, 1990 will be eligible to vote at the special meeting.

Ripley Acquisition Corporation owns approximately 78 percent of the issued and outstanding shares of Ripley and intends to vote its shares in favor of the merger. The shares owned by Ripley Acquisition Corporation were purchased from former shareholders on July 31, 1990, at $4.15 per share. The merger price is also $4.15.

Ripley manufactures cable preparation tools, blowers, and a specialized small screw assembly system. Capewell manufactures parachute hardware.

CONTACT: Dale Wolfe, president of Ripley Company, 203-635-2200 or (FAX) 203-635-3631.

-30- 1308

#90234p7804 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines today announced that, effective Sept. 5, it will increase its daily roundtrips between Charlotte N.C.'s Douglas International Airport and Chicago from three to four, providing Charlotte with same-day connecting service on United to and from the Pacific Rim.

"United's increased frequency in September, combined with the commencement of United Express service to Washington, D.C.'s Dulles International Airport in October, further enhances United Airlines' commitment to the Charlotte area," said John C. Pope, executive vice president-marketing and planning.

Pope noted that United's new westbound departure from Charlotte at 6:45 a.m. is the first flight of the day to Chicago, arriving at O'Hare at 7:33 a.m., and permitting connections to Pacific Rim destinations via the West Coast. The new eastbound flight departing Chicago at 8:45 p.m. and arriving in Charlotte at 11:36 p.m. will permit same-day connecting service on United from the Pacific Rim via the West Coast.

From its hub in Chicago, United serves 99 non-stop markets, including daily flights to Paris and Frankfurt. Chief Administrative Law Judge John Mathias has recommended United Airlines should receive authority to operate daily non-stop flights between Chicago and Tokyo's Narita International Airport. Pending Department of Transportation (DOT) and presidential review, which is expected to be completed by Nov. 1, United plans to inaugurate Chicago-Tokyo service late this year.

The addition on Oct. 15 of Atlantic Coast Airlines/United Express service with four daily round trips between Charlotte and Washington- Dulles will permit convenient on-line connections to 38 non-stop markets served by United from its Dulles hub, including new daily non-stop flights to Frankfurt. From Charlotte, United also offers one daily round trip between Charlotte and Columbia, S.C.

CONTACT: Rob Doughty, 708-952-4195, Sara Dornacker, 708-952-6561, or Joe Hopkins, 708-952-5770, or after business hours, 708-952-4088, all of United Airlines.

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#90234p7805 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - CIM High Yield Securities (AMEX: CIM) today announced the payment of $.07 per share dividend, payable on Sept. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Aug. 31.

CONTACT: Jay S. Neuman or Martha Papp, (617) 722-3807, or (617) 722-3857, both of CIM High Yield Securities.

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TROY, N.C. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of First Bancorp (NASDAQ: FBNC) has declared a dividend of $0.075 to shareholders

of record September 30, 1990 payable October 19, 1990.

First Bancorp is a bank holding company based in Troy, North Carolina. Its principal activity is the ownership and operation of First Bank, a state chartered bank that operates twenty-five branch offices in an eight-county market area centered in Troy.

Shares Outstanding: 1,367,562

CONTACT: John C. Wallace, President, First Bancorp, 919-576-6171

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CHICAGO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - EdgeMark Financial Corp. today announced second quarter 1990 net income of $741,032, or $0.37 per share, compared to $919,495, or $0.47 per share, for the same quarter last year. For the six months ended June 30, net income was $1,498,730, or $0.75 per share, compared to $1,768,813, or $0.90 per share for the same period in 1989.

According to Charles A. Bruning, EdgeMark Financial Corporation's president and chief executive officer, second quarter and first half results were impacted by narrowed margins and the absorption of costs associated with the opening and operation of two new EdgeMark units - Merchandise National Bank's NBC Tower facility and EdgeMark Bank, Rosemont. "With the initial operating cycle completed at these two locations, we believe we are positioned for continued solid earnings improvement and growth," he said.

For the first six months, net loans outstanding rose 9.52 percent to $283,665,901, from $259,014,741 a year earlier.

Total assets as of June 30 were $474,056,981, up 7.17 percent from $442,351,454 a year ago. Total deposits were $414,301,848, up 7.52 percent from the $385,335,108, posted for the same period in 1989. EdgeMark Financial Corp. is a $474-million multibank holding company that owns and operates Merchandise National Bank, Chicago; Edgewood Bank in Countryside and Woodridge; EdgeMark Bank Lombard; First National Bank of Lockport and EdgeMark Bank Rosemont.

EDGEMARK FINANCIAL CORP.
Financial Highlights

Comparison of second quarter:	1990	1989
Net Income	$ 741,032	$ 919,495
Per average share outstanding	$0.37	$0.47
Net interest income	4,645,144	4,680,327
Non interest income	781,608	831,722
Non interest expense	4,526,023	4,364,311

Loan loss provision	110,500	89,728
Weighted average shares	1,472,093	1,456,554

Six Months Ended June 30:	1990	1989
Net Income	$ 1,498,730	$ 1,768,813
Per average share outstanding	$0.75	$0.90
Net interest income	9,233,252	9,390,423
Non interest income	1,585,952	1,523,178
Non interest expense	8,855,995	8,476,755
Loan loss provision	220,500	248,555
Weighted average shares	1,472,093	1,456,554

BALANCE SHEET

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Assets	$474,056,981	$442,351,454
Deposits	414,301,848	385,335,108
Net Loans	283,665,901	259,014,741
Shareholder Equity	38,988,798	36,871,546
Loss Reserve	3,391,774	5,030,831

CONTACT: Charles A. Bruning, president & CEO, 312-836-8000, of EdgeMark Financial Corp., or George M. Morvis, president & CEO, 312-943-8116, of Financial Shares Corp.

-30- 3493

#90234p7811 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE, (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - William A. Butler has been named vice president and general counsel for Univar Corp. (NYSE, PSE: UVX), North America's largest chemical distributor. In his new position, Butler will have primary responsibility for managing the activities of the attorney's and staff within the company's legal department and he will also interface with members of the company management to oversee legal issues relating to all areas of the company.

Butler was most recently with Preston Thorgrimson Shidler Gates & Ellis and its predecessor, Shidler McBroom Gates & Lucas. He had been with those firms since 1976. Butler specialized in corporate and commercial transactional work, was a member of the firm's Executive Committee and served as managing partner of the firm's Bellevue office.

Butler holds a bachelor's degree in business from Oregon State University, and is a graduate of Columbia Law School. He is a member of the Washington State and American Bar Association, and is vice president of Bellevue Overlake Rotary.

Univar Corp., headquartered in Seattle, distributes chemicals to the food, pharmaceutical, cosmetic, coatings and ink, electronics, and chemical

compounding industries through two subsidiaries, Van Waters & Rogers Inc. in the United States and Van Waters & Rogers Ltd. in Canada.

CONTACT: James L. Fletcher of Univar Corp., 206-447-5911; or Leslie Lewis of Hill and Knowlton, 206-682-6944, for Univar Corp.

-30- 1649

#90234p7814 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - K mart Chairman Joseph E. Antonini announced the election of Lilyan H. Affinito and Joseph A. Califano Jr. to K mart Corporation's (NYSE: KM) board of directors effective Sept. 18, 1990, bringing the total number of directors to 14.

Affinito is a director and vice chairman of the board of Maxxam Group Inc. (formerly Simplicity Pattern Co.). She began her career with Maxxam in 1968 as controller. In 1972, she was elected to Maxxam's board and in 1976 she was made president and COO. She became vice chairman in 1987.

Affinito received a bachelor of science degree from Cornell University and a master of letters degree from the University of Pittsburgh.

Califano received his LL.B. degree from Harvard Law School. In 1961, he went to the Pentagon and in 1963 was appointed general counsel of the Army. After serving in various positions within the Department of Defense Califano was appointed special assistant to President Lyndon Johnson in 1965. From 1977 to 1979, he served as secretary of Health, Education and Welfare. He has been in the private practice of law since 1980. Presently, he is a senior partner at Dewey Ballantine. He is the author of seven books.

"Both Lilyan Affinito and Joseph Califano bring special expertise to our board," commented Antonini. "We are pleased that they will be joining us."

K mart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. K mart, currently operating 2,331 K mart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks and PACE Membership Warehouse, Inc. and The Sports Authority. K mart stock is traded on the New York, Pacific, Midwest and Tokyo stock exchanges. Its trading symbol is KM.

CONTACT: Mary Lorencz of K mart Corporation, 313-643-1021

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SEATTLE (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Susan L. Preston has been named senior

environmental counsel for the Environmental Affairs Department of Univar Corp. (NYSE, PSE: UVX), the nation's largest chemical distributor. Preston will provide environmental assistance to all areas of the company in her new position.

Preston was most recently with Weyerhaeuser Co. where she served for four years as counsel for environmental affairs and intellectual property law. Prior to that, she was associated with Shidler McBroom Gates & Lucas, specializing in general business law, real estate and environmental law.

Preston holds a bachelor's degree in microbiology and public health with a minor in chemistry from Washington State University, and graduated cum laude from the University of Puget Sound School of Law. She is a member of the Washington State Bar Association, the Environmental and Land Use Section, and the Young Lawyers Division and CLE Committee.

Univar Corp., headquartered in Seattle, distributes chemicals to the food, pharmaceutical, cosmetic, coatings and ink, electronics, and chemical compounding industries through two subsidiaries, Van Waters & Rogers Inc. in the United States and Van Waters & Rogers Ltd. in Canada.

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HOLLYWOOD (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - "Stepping Out" starring Liza Minelli will begin principal photography Monday, Aug. 27 in Toronto, and Buffalo, N.Y., for the Motion Picture Group of Paramount Pictures, a Paramount Communications company, it was announced today by Sidney Ganis, Group president. The comedy is being produced and directed by Lewis Gilbert ("Shirley Valentine," "Educating Rita," "Alfie") from a screenplay by Richard Harris based on his hit play. The co-producer is John Dark and the executive producer is Bill Kenwright. The choreographer is Danny Daniels.

Minelli -- winner of an Academy Award ("Cabaret"), three Tony awards, and an Emmy -- is starring with Ellen Greene, star of "Little Shop of Horrors" and "Next Stop, Greenwich Village"; Bill Irwin, whose films include "My Blue Heaven" and "Scenes From a Mall"' Jane Krakowski, who was nominated for a 1989 Tony for her role in "Grand Hotel"; Andrea Martin, who became famous in the cast of "SCTV Network"; Sheila McCarthy, 1987 Best Actress Genie award-winner for "I've Heard the Mermaids Singing"' Robyn Stevan, 1989 Best Supporting Actress Genie award-winner for her role in "Bye Bye Blues"; Julie Walters, British Academy of Film and Television Arts Best Actress award-winner and Academy Award-nominee for "Educating Rita"; Shelley Winters, a two-time Academy Award-winner ("A Patch of Blue," "The Diary of Anne Frank") and Emmy Award-winner; and Carol Woods-Coleman, who

originated her film role on the London stage and also appeared in the New York company of the play.

For a few hours each week, the students of Mavis Turner (Liza Minelli) take a break from the everyday grind by stepping out for tap dance lessons -- but that's not all they're learning. A dance class might seem like an unusual place to learn about life, but this is a group of people who have much to discover about their friendships, hopes and dreams. Mavis has the ability to bring out the best in her pupils and they are beginning to have the same effect upon her.

"'Stepping Out' is about a group of people who have found an exhilirating way to express themselves," comments producer/director Lewis Gilbert. "The relationships they form bring them not only an understanding of each other's lives -- but unexpectedly also help them to better understand themselves."

"These are characters who may remind us of people in our own lives," adds co-producer John Dark. "Their individual search for fulfillment becomes humorous and touching as we become acquainted with the obstacles they must overcome."

Principal photography for "Stepping Out" will conclude in mid- November. The film has been scheduled for a spring 1991 release.

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GAINESVILLE, FLA. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Pharmatec Inc. (NASDAQ: PHTC) today announced the U.S. Food and Drug Administration granted Orphan Drug designation to Pharmatec's new liquid form of carbamazepine for the emergency treatment of Grand Mal Status Epilepticus (epilepsy) seizures.

Orphan Drug designation, which applies to diseases affecting fewer than 200,000 persons, confers special tax advantages and a minimum of seven years of marketing exclusivity following FDA approval to market the product.

Epilepsy is a brain disorder affecting an estimated 4 million persons in the United States. Grand Mal seizures are estimated to affect about 50,000 of these persons and, unless quickly controlled, can result in severe brain damage or death.

While carbamazepine (marketed under the trademark TEGRETOL(R) by Ciba-Geigy) is the leading drug in the treatment of epilepsy and is used to treat other conditions, it is available only in pill form, and there is

no liquid formulation available for injection. When an epilepsy victim suffers an uncontrollable seizure and cannot be given a pill, a liquid, injectable formulation is needed to prevent brain damage. Likewise, certain hospitalized patients and children with epilepsy who are unable to swallow a pill could benefit from a liquid form of carbamazepine.

Pharmatec has solubilized carbamazepine in an aqueous solution of it patented MOLECUSOL(R) cyclodextrins, which are ring-shaped sugar molecules able to signifincantly increase the solubility and stability of a variety of drugs. Laboratory testing has shown that the combination of carbamazepine with Pharmatec's MOLECUSOL(R) cyclodextrins increased the solubility of the drug more than 100-fold.

The company estimates the worldwide market for its new form of carbamazepine for treating Grand Mal seizures, if approved for sale by the FDA and similar regulatory authorities of foreign countries, would be approximately $25 million annually. The worldwide market for a liquid carbamazepine for use by hospitalized patients, children and others who are not able to ingest pills could increase the market by an estimated $25 million annually. However, several years of clinical testing and approval of the FDA will be required before the company's new liquid form of carbamazepine can be marketed in the United States.

Pharmatec is a research-based pharmaceutical company specializing in the development of two novel technologies -- a carrier system for increasing the delivery of drugs to the brain and MOLECUSOL(R) brand cyclodextrins for increasing the solubility and stability of drugs.

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#90234p7836 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - CNG Transmission Corp. of Clarksburg, W.Va., has agreed to thoroughly identify and clean up chemical contamination along its natural gas pipeline in western and north central Pennsylvania.

The company will also pay up to $500,000 a year to compensate the Department of Environmental Resources (DER) for its costs in monitoring the cleanup.

The agreement, announced today, is the result of an April 1990 order in which DER directed CNG to comply with numerous requests for information about the company's pipeline activities in the commonwealth. CNG operates 32 compressor stations and nine natural gas storage fields in Pennsylvania.

"The most significant aspect of this agreement is CNG's commitment to

pursue cleanup of contaminated soil, sediment and groundwater to background levels, or the area's natural state before it was affected by the facility," said DER Deupty Secretary Mark M. McClellan.

Following the discovery in 1987 that Texas Eastern Transmission Corp. had contaminated points along its pipeline with polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), Gov. Robert P. Casey directed DER to assess possible hazardous substance contamination associated with other major natural gas pipeline companies.

In 1989, DER conducted preliminary assessments at nine of CNG's compressor stations in Pennsylvania: Jeannette, Oakford and South Oakford, Westmoreland County; Greenlick and Harrison Valley, Potter County; Leidy, Clinton County; Sabinsville, Tioga County; and Home Camp and Luther, Clearfield County.

A total of 99 soil samples were taken from the sites, with five samples showing levels of PCBs between five and 38 parts per million. PCB contamination was not detected in the remaining 61 samples.

"While we have not determined the existence of any immediate threat to human health or the environment, additional investigation is needed to comprehensively determine the extent of contamination and evaluate cleanup alternatives," McClellan said.

Under the agreement, CNG must provide DER with detailed assessments of the extent of soil, sediment and groundwater contamination at 22 pipeline compressor station sites with suspected or confirmed PCB contamination. The compressor stations are located in Allegheny, Armstrong, Cameron, Clarion, Clearfield, Clinton, Elk, Potter, Tioga and Westmoreland counties.

The company also will assess its pipeline cleaning systems and valves between compressor stations. The first phase of the assessment is expected to take nine months. The results of this initial assessment will be instrumental in determining the extent and duration of subsequent investigations. After the assessment is completed, CNG must develop cleanup plans for each site.

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#90234p7840 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Consul Restaurant Corporation (NASDAQ: CNSL), North America's largest franchisee of Chi-Chi's Mexican restaurants, today announced it has acted to reduce expenses in response to softening restaurant sales by trimming $1 million in annualized

administrative costs and by postponing or canceling $1.5 million in capital projects.

The company said it expects to be profitable in the first quarter ending Aug. 31 but that results will be behind the year-ago period.

James H. Crivits, chairman and chief executive officer, said the prospects of sluggish economic conditions in both Canada and the U.S. in the near term "forced us to take aggressively prudent action to reduce expenses in advance of any sales slippage in future quarters."

The expense reductions are expected to have their most favorable impact in the off-peak months of September, January and February, said Crivits. "We believe the Chi-Chi's concept -- moderately priced, freshly prepared, healthy food served in pleasant surroundings -- is well-positioned to increase market share during a downturn, and we want to be ready," he added.

Crivits said the company will open its 10th Chi-Chi's restaurant in the Twin Cities market, in Eden Prairie, during the last week of August.

Consul operates 51 Chi-Chi's Mexican restaurants and one Magnolia's seafood dinner house located in major markets in the Upper Midwest and throughout Canada.

CONTACT: Robert A. Lamp of Consul Restaurant Corporation, 612-851-3333; or John Beardsley of Padilla Speer Beardsley, 612-871-8877, or in New York 212-752-8338

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#90234p7844 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - John F. Downey has been appointed deputy director for regional operations at the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS).

The former director of the OTS Indianapolis District has already assumed the Washington-based position, which is one of the three top advisory positions established by OTS Director Timothy Ryan. The other two positions are held by Jonathan Fiechter, who is deputy director for Washington operations, and Harris Weinstein, the chief counsel.

When the OTS regions are established, an action that is expected to be announced by Ryan soon, the regional directors will report to Downey.

Ryan described Downey as "a leader who has demonstrated broad knowledge of the banking and thrift industries and who thoroughly understands the OTS mission. John will provide the leadership we need as we implement the

restructuring of our field operations. I will look to him, Jonathan Fiechter and Harris Weinstein as my principal advisers in Washington as OTS moves forward in strengthening the healthy segment of the thrift industry and completing the cleanup of the failing portion."

Before becoming Indianapolis district director upon the official creation of OTS last October, Downey had been executive vice president and director of agency functions for the Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis. In both positions, he was responsible for examination and supervision of federally insured savings associations in Indiana and Michigan.

His background includes 19 years with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency during which he took increasingly important positions. He was deputy regional administrator for national banks in New England states, then regional administrator for banks in Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia North Carolina and the District of Columbia and finally deputy comptroller and chief national bank examiner before joining the thrift regulatory agency in 1986.

CONTACT: William Fulwider of the Office of Thrift Supervision, 202-906-6913

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#90234p7851 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Income Portfolio (NYSE: AAF) today declared its September dividend. The dividend of $0.0885 per share on the common stock, plus an extra $0.01 per share special dividend, totaling $0.0985 per share, will be paid Sept. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 10, 1990. The entire $0.0985 per share is from net investment income.

The American Government Income Portfolio is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.4 billion under management as of July 31, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90234p7854 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Uni-Vite Inc. said the rapid growth in sales in this year's first quarter were mainly due to the success of half-hour TV infocommercials starring Cathy Lee Crosby. The show offers the sale of products directly to the public and most importantly, with

successful regional testing completed, the program will be aired for national viewing later this year.

Peter Kenyon, president of Uni-Vite Inc. said, "We are anticipating sustained growth and improved performance over 1990, which was adversely affected by start-up expenses. Blue-Sky manual exemption has been suspended by S&P pending completion of audited financials later this year. In September 1990, the company will introduce several new micro diet meals, a business training program called "Uni-Vite University" and a behavior modification program called "choices." The latter will be marketed with celebrity endorsement."

Uni-Vite also said that in June 1990, it established a wholly owned subsidiary, America Marketing Direct Inc. located in Scottsdale, Ariz., to perform media buying and analysis services for Uni-Vite and non-related companies. In August Uni-Vite signed a lease for a 34,400-square-foot combined office and warehouse facility in Carlsbad, Calif. This is in addition to 15,200 square feet the company already occupies part of which will be relinquished on expiration of its leases in March 1991.

UNI-VITE INC.

First Quarter July 31:	1991	1990
Sales	$6,721,352	$2,691,050
Net income	459,744	16,936
Share Earn (Primary):		
Net income	$.03	---
Year End April 30:	1990	1989
Sales	10,889,762	5,976,694
Net income	(175,067)	(468,855)
Share earn (Primary):		
Net income	($.01)	($.02)

(Figures in brackets are losses.)

CONTACT: Brent Jay of International Business Securities, 213-284-8228

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#90234p7859 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Oppenheimer Capital L.P. (the partnership) (NYSE: OCC) today reported net income of $3,413,000 or 42 cents per unit for the fiscal quarter ended July 31, 1990, compared to net income of $3,225,000 or 40 cents per unit for the fiscal quarter ended July 31, 1989, an increase of 5.8 percent. The partnership owns a 32.8 percent general partnership interest in Oppenheimer Capital (the operating partnership), one of the largest independent investment management firms in the United States.

As previously reported on July 23, 1990, the partnership increased its

annual distribution rate to $1.70 per unit from $1.60 per unit. This new rate represents a 25.9 percent increase from the annual $1.35 per unit rate in effect at July 31, 1989, and is the second increase in the partnership's distribution rate since the inception of the partnership on July 9, 1987,

Results of the Operating Partnership Joseph M. La Motta, Oppenheimer Capital's president and chief executive officer, reported that the operating partnership reached new highs during the quarter for assets under management, investment management fee revenue, and operating income. He said. "The record results were driven by rising securities prices during the quarter ended July 31, 1990 and the growth of new business."

Total assets under management were $21.0 billion at July 31, 1990, up from 13.0 percent from $18.6 billion at July 31, 1989.

Investment management fee revenue increased 21.6 percent to $18.5 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990 from $15.2 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

Operating income for the quarter ended July 31, 1990 was up 15.5 percent to $8,787,000 from $7,611,000 for the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

Recent Events La Motta stated, "Since the end of the quarter, the major stock markets of the world have all experienced declines as the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait has created a great deal of uncertainty.

The U.S. markets were no exception with the S&P 500 declining 9.63 percent between July 31 and Aug. 21. In addition, corporate earnings are under pressure, both long and short term interest rates have increased and inflationary pressures are proving to be more persistent than thought earlier. Our concerns about valuation levels of the equity markets has caused us to continue our conservative structure for our clients' portfolios with the average cash levels of the composite of our equity accounts being approximately 21 percent at July 31, 1990.

This high cash position will help absorb the downturn in the market and positions our clients' portfolios to react to any opportunities that may occur; i.e. to be able to acquire stocks of attractive companies at reasonable prices. In addition, total assets under management are well balanced, with approximately 53 percent in equities, 14 percent in fixed income securities, 14 percent in options and 19 percent in cash. Thus we feel that the partnership will be able to weather these uncertain times, maintain its current distribution policy, and continue its growth when the current world situation abates."

CONTACT: Sheldon Siegel, chief financial officer of Oppenheimer Capital, 212-667-7588

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#90234p7863 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc.-1995 (NYSE: ADJ) today declared its September dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.077 per share on the common stock will be paid Sept. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 10, 1990.

The American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc.-1995 is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.4 billion under management as of July 31, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90234p7864 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
ARLINGTON, VA. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Better ship design and more efficient repair assignment procedures are among the potential benefits of a new, streamlined process for analyzing Navy equipment repair developed by ANADAC logisticians in conjunction with logisticians from the Naval Sea Systems Command.

A team of logisticians from ANADAC, Inc., an Arlington defense contractor, and NAVSEA formally presented their work at the 25th annual International Logistics Symposium in Phoenix today.

The process centers on the Navy's Level of Repair Analysis -- LORA, in Navy jargon. LORA is used to determine whether failed equipment parts should be replaced or repaired and where the work should be done. The new LORA procedures and the forthcoming computer-assisted decision-making model are designed to save time and money in repairing Navy ship systems.

Existing models have been criticized as "hard to use" and "too easy to manipulate."

Key features of the new LORA process include: -- Timely consideration of repair options -- either on the ship, at a shore facility or repair ship, or at a designated Naval repair depot.

-- Consolidation of existing data and proven decisions for similar equipment.

-- Integration of LORA with the Navy's Logistics Support Analysis to

establish a comprehensive repair analysis process that is understandable and cost effective.

It was developed as part of ongoing support to the Navy's deputy commander for fleet logistics support. Other ANADAC support has included the development of an Integrated Logistics Support Procedures Manual for equipment, Logistic Support Analysis Manuals for both ships and equipment, and an automated Logistics Requirements and Funding Plan computer system. ANADAC, a 10-year-old company with offices around the country, is considered a premier process engineering firm in the defense community.

CONTACT: Gloria E. Phillips, executive vice president, ANADAC, 703-685-0021

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#90234p7865 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Term Trust (NYSE: AGT) today declared its September dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.08 per share on the common stock will be paid Sept. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 10, 1990.

The American Government Term Trust is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.4 billion under management as of July 31, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90234p7869 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Income Fund (NYSE: AGF) today declared its September dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.07 per share on the common stock, plus an extra $0.01 per share special dividend, totaling $0.08 per share, will be paid Sept. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 10, 1990. The entire $0.08 per share is from net investment income.

The American Government Income Fund is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.4 billion under management as of July 31, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90234p7892 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Scott & Stringfellow Financial, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SCOT) has authorized the purchase of an additional 100,000 shares of Scott & Stringfellow Financial Inc. stock to be purchased in the open market from time to time. This raise the number of shares that can be purchased through the firm's stock repurchase program from 300,000 to 400,000.

Scott & Stringfellow Financial, Inc. is the holding company of Scott & Stringfellow Investment Corp., a regional, brokerage, financial services and investment banking firm headquartered in Richmond, Virginia. The common stock of the holding company has been traded in the Over-the-Counter market since an initial public offering in November, 1986.

Currently the company has 1,955,792 shares of common stock outstanding. Scott & Stringfellow Investment Corp. was founded in 1893 in Richmond, Virginia and is the South's oldest continuous member of the New York Stock Exchange. The firm has 24 branch offices throughout Virginia, North Carolina and West Virginia and 375 employees of which 165 have full-time Investment Broker positions.

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#90234p7893 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Golden Oil Company (NASDAQ: GOCO) announced that it has terminated its agreement to purchase from RAPCO, Inc., a privately owned corporation based in New York City, a promissory note issued by Fortune Petroleum Corporation and secured by substantially all oil and gas properties of Fortune. Fortune and Golden both are independent exploration and production companies.

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#90234p7897 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NAPERVILLE, IL. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: FMBI) today announced the declaration of a cash dividend on its common stock of 13 cents per share payable Oct. 5, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Sept. 26, 1990.

With total assets exceeding $2 billion, First Midwest Bancorp is one of Illinois' largest bank holding companies currently operating 36 banking offices and 5 trust offices primarily in northern Illinois.

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#90234p7898 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Medimorphics, Inc. announced today that it has filed an IND with the FDA to begin human clinical trials of its Triclonal(TM) product. This product, which was granted Orphan Drug Designation by the FDA in May of this year, is designed to treat life-threatening and seriously debilitating cytomegalovirus (CMV) infections in AIDS and transplant patients.

CMV is an opportunistic virus which can cause blindness, wasting, dementia and pneumonia in individuals whose immune systems have been suppressed. A major contributing factor leading to death in a large proportion of these individuals, CMV infects nearly 80 percent of all AIDS patients.

The Triclonal product was developed from basic research technology licensed exclusively to the company by the Children's Biomedical Research Institute of St. Paul, Minn., the University of Minnesota and the University of Iowa.

Dr. Richard Gehrz, Scientific Director for Medimorphics, stated "Our Triclonal(TM) product is designed to treat CMV at all stages of infection, be reactive against multiple strains of the virus, reduce the likelihood that resistant strains will emerge during prolonged treatment and result in a lower patient dosage."

Dr. Frank Rhame, head of the AIDS Treatment Center at the University of Minnesota, will be conducting the clinical trials. He adds, "This is a very promising new drug targeted at a serious viral pathogen for which no satisfactory treatments currently exist."

Human trials are expected to begin at three sites in the United States this fall.

Medimorphics, Inc. is a St. Paul, Minn.-based biopharmaceutical company focused on developing viral immunology products.

CONTACT: Susan Michal Smith, president and CEO of Medimorphics, 612-224-2800

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#90234p7900 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) today announced that New York Capital Bank, National Association, New York, N.Y., had been placed into conservatorship and Martin A. Wetzstein had been appointed conservator.

All deposits in the bank continue to be insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to $100,000 per customer account, and all offices of the bank will remain open for business.

In addition to safeguarding the bank's assets and assuring that continued services are provided to bank customers, the conservator will identify potential purchasers for the bank.

The bank received a national bank charter on July 6, 1990 and simultaneously acquired the insured deposits and some assets of the failed Capital National Bank, New York, N.Y. That action was taken in order to protect the welfare of the depositors of the failed institution.

At the time the charter was issued to New York Capital Bank, the owners of the bank entered into an agreement with the OCC which provided, in part, for the establishment of a voluntary conservatorship should the OCC so elect. The OCC has decided today to take that action and place the bank into conservatorship.

Wetzstein is a respected and experienced banker with 21 years of broad domestic and international experience including significant involvement as senior credit officer for Latin America at Republic National Bank of New York. He served in a number of senior management positions at the bank since 1978. His most recent position was senior vice president.

New York Capital Bank, National Association has total assets of approximately $105 million and a strong tangible capital base of $9 million.

CONTACT: Frank Vance of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, (202) 447-1800.

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#90234p7914 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
FAIR LAWN, NJ (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Warner Computer Systems, Inc. (NYSE: WCP) today announced that it has entered into an agreement with the New Jersey Department of Insurance for Warner to act as a servicing carrier for the Market Transition Facility of New Jersey (MTF) when it replaces the JUA (New Jersey Automobile Full Insurance Underwriting Association) on Oct. 1 this year.

MTF will contract with only four of the five servicing carriers presently under contract with the JUA. As a result, Warner will be assigned additional automobile insurance policies to service, bringing its total number of policies to an estimated 225,000 to 245,000.

The new contract is for a three-year period starting Oct. 1. Hellmut Hameyer, executive vice president of the company, stated that Warner will do the underwriting, policy issuance, and administration on behalf of the MTF. The claims adjustment services under Warner's contract will continue to be handled by Warner's present subcontractor.

Warner Computer Systems, Inc. provides specialized processing and production services, third party administration, and computer programs for the insurance industry, as well as a broad range of financial data bases to the financial brokerage community, banks and private investors. It also markets computer equipment, microcomputer networking, and computer maintenance services.

CONTACT: Bradley J. Hughes, VP-finance and administration of Warner Computer Systems, 201-794-4800

-30- 1670

#90234p7915 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Expanding its line of exciting titles in the video game market, Atari Computer Corp. (AMEX: ATC) has contracted six outside firms to develop software for the Atari Lynx.

The six companies, U.S. Gold, APTI Game Systems, TELEGAMES USA, Shadowsoft Inc., Reflex Software and Cyber Labs, were recently signed on to produce a total of 13 new games.

The portable, one-pound Lynx, introduced nationally last spring, took the video game industry by storm with its full-color graphics, fast action and realistic sound effects.

Among the new Lynx titles planned are futuristic space adventures, sports challenges and strategic chess and card games -- all of which will be available by early 1991.

Atari is a registered trademark and Lynx is a trademark of Atari (U.S.) Corp. Other products are trademarks or registered trademarks of their manufacturers.

CONTACT: Greg Pratt of Atari, 408-745-2349

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#90234p7917 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
DARIEN, CT. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bowater Incorporated (NYSE: BOW) today declared a quarterly dividend of $0.30 per common share payable on Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 10.

The board also declared a quarterly cash dividend on the company's LIBOR preferred stock, Series A at a rate of 7.1188 percent per annum equal to $0.90 per share payable on Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 10.

Bowater Incorporated is a major manufacturer of newsprint, coated publication papers, bleached kraft market pulp and a converter of communication papers for use in computers and other business applications.

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#90234p7921 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROCKY MOUNT, NC (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Boddie-Noell, the second-largest Hardee's franchisee, will serve Coca-Cola classic and diet Coke as its only cola products, as part of a long-term agreement announced today.

The agreement with Coca-Cola USA affects approximately 300 restaurants in seven states and will result in the removal of Pepsi-Cola after more than 30 years.

Sprite, Coca-Cola USA's leading non-cola brand, will be included in the new fountain line-up.

"Coca-Cola was selected because of its distinctive service and diverse customer service programs," said Richard Jenkins, president, Boddie-Noell Enterprises, Hardee's Group. "It's anticipated that Coca-Cola USA's marketing support and technological capabilities will be a key factor in the growth of our business."

Soft drinks from Coca-Cola USA now will be available in an estimated 3,900 Hardee's restaurants -- 95 percent of Hardee's restaurants nationwide. This number includes all company-owned restaurants.

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ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Medimorphics, Inc. announced today that it has filed an IND with the FDA to begin human clinical trials of its Triclonal(TM) product.

This product, which was granted Orphan Drug Designation by the FDA in May of this year, is designed to treat life-threatening and seriously debilitating cytomegalovirus (CMV) infections in AIDS and transplant patients.

CMV is an opportunistic virus which can cause blindness, wasting, dementia, and pneumonia in individuals whose immune systems have been suppressed. A major contributing factor leading to death in a large proportion of these individuals, CMV infects nearly 80 percent of all AIDS patients.

The Triclonal product was developed from basic research technology licensed exclusively to the company by the Children's Biomedical Research Institute of St. Paul, Minn., the University of Minnesota and the University of Iowa.

Dr. Richard Gehrz, Scientific Director for Medimorphics, stated "Our Triclonal(TM) product is designed to treat CMV at all stages of infection, be reactive against multiple strains of the virus, reduce the likelihood that resistant strains will emerge during prolonged treatment and result in a lower patient dosage."

Dr. Frank Rhame, head of the AIDS Treatment Center at the University of Minnesota, will be conducting the clinical trials. He adds, "This is a very promising new drug targeted at a serious viral pathogen for which no satisfactory treatments currently exist." Human trials are expected to begin at three sites in the United States this fall.

Medimorphics, Inc. is a St. Paul, Minn.-based biopharmaceutical company focused on developing viral immunology products.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Abrams Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: ABRI) at its annual meeting of shareholders held on Aug. 22, announced that for the first quarter ended July 31, the company had a net loss of $280,060, or $0.09 per share, compared to net earnings of $192,320, or $0.06 per share, for the same quarter last year.

The loss is the company's first since the quarter ended Jan. 31, 1986. The loss is attributable to the Manufacturing Segment and primarily caused

by reduced shipments of store fixtures during the current quarter. Chairman and CEO Bernard W. Abrams announced that the company and all of its segments expect to be profitable for its first six months ending Oct. 31. Revenues for the current quarter increased to $17,308,875 from last year's $12,928,598, and backlog at July 31 increased to $32,421,000 from last year's $27,643,000. The Construction Segment accounted for most of the increase in revenues and backlog.

All current figures are unaudited and all per share amounts are based on weighted average outstanding shares of 2,994,039 in 1990 and 2,978,039 in 1989.

The company further announced the re-election of all members of the board of directors and a cash dividend of $0.05 per share (45th consecutive quarterly dividend), with a record date of Sept. 11, and a payment date of Sept. 28.

Abrams Industries Inc., in its 66th year and headquartered in Atlanta, operates in three industry segments: construction, manufacturing and real estate.

CONDENSED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

First quarter ended	7/31/90	7/31/89
Revenues	$17,308,875	$12,928,598
Costs and expenses	17,733,235	12,618,478
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(424,360)	310,120
Income taxes (benefit)	(144,300)	117,800
Net earnings (loss)	$ (280,060)	$ 192,320
Net earnings (loss) per share, based on weighted average outstanding shares of 2,994,039 in 1990 and 2,978,039 in 1989	$ (.09)	$ .06

CONTACT: Bernard W. Abrams, CEO, or Joseph H. Rubin, CFO, 404-256-9785, both of Abrams Industries

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MINNEAPOLIS, (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Pattern Processing Technologies, Inc. (PPT) (NASDAQ: PPRO) today reported a net profit of $3,718, or $.004 per share, on revenues of $663,731 for the third quarter ended July 31, 1990. In the third quarter of fiscal year 1989, the company realized a net loss of $271,942, or $.28 per share on revenues of $313,771.

Total revenues for the nine months ended July 31, 1990, were $1,865,336 compared with $967,026 in the nine months ended July 31, 1989, an increase

of 93 percent. The net loss for the nine month period ended July 31, 1990 was $15,731 or $.016 per share compared with a net loss of $617,536 or $.70 per share in the nine month period ended July 31, 1989.

All per share amounts for 1989 and 1990 have been adjusted to reflect the company's 1 for 20 reverse stock split, which was effective June 30, 1989.

The third quarter revenues represented the sale of 12 vision systems bringing to 170 the total number of vision systems sold since the inception of the company in 1982. Of the 12 systems sold five were sold to new customers and seven were repeat sales to existing customers. The fiscal year 1990 third quarter results represent the first quarter in company history in which revenues in excess of $650,000 have been realized and the second quarter in which profitability has been achieved. However, the machine vision industry continues to be characterized by long selling cycles and a degree of unpredictability in accurately projecting future revenue levels. As such, the company believes that in the future there could be fluctuations in quarter to quarter revenue and earnings results, although the company believes that on an annual basis the trend is up.

Pattern Processing Technologies, Inc., is engaged in designing, manufacturing, marketing and integrating machine vision-based automated inspection systems for manufacturing applications such as assembly verification, surface flaw detection, character verification and measurement tasks.

Pattern Processing Technologies, Inc.'s common stock is traded on the NASDAQ system under the symbol PPRO.

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#90234p7933 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Frederick O. DeSieghardt will retire Oct. 1 as executive vice president of Sealright Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: SRCO), but will continue as vice chairman of the Kansas City- based company, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Marvin W. Ozley announced today.

DeSieghardt's responsibilities will be assumed by Howard E. Smith, vice president and general manager of the Central Division. Smith will be promoted to senior vice president.

Also effective Oct. 1, Donald C. Wooton, vice president and general manager of the Eastern Division, will succeed Smith as head of the Central Division. Douglas R. Stay, assistant general manager of the Eastern Division, will be promoted to vice president and general manager of the

Eastern Division, succeeding Wooton.

DeSieghardt, 65, has served on the Board of Directors since 1983. In 26 years with Sealright, he has held senior management positions as head of the company's research and development arm and its Eastern and Central Divisions.

Sealright manufactures packaging systems and round containers for grocery and dairy products. The company is North America's leading supplier of frozen dairy dessert packaging.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Collins Foods International Inc. (NYSE: CF) posted a 12 percent increase in first quarter revenues with all three divisions contributing to the gain, but net income for the period was modestly lower.

For the 12 weeks ended July 22, 1990, net income amounted to $7,163,000, equal to 32 cents per share, compared with $7,798,000, or 35 cents per share in the year earlier period. Revenues for the first quarter advanced to $146,738,000 from $130,926,000 in the prior year.

Collins Foods International Inc. operates and franchises casual dining and quick service restaurants. The company operates 209 Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurants in the United States, operates or licenses 99 restaurants internationally, and, through Sizzler Restaurants International Inc. operates or licenses 668 Sizzler Buffet Court & Grill restaurants.

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#90234p7944 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Cryodynamics, Inc. (NASDAQ: CRYD), a company engaged in the design, development, manufacture and marketing of cryogenic products for commercial and military use, announced today that Dr. Stephen F. Malaker resigned as chairman and a member of the board of directors of the company. Dr. Malaker cited his disagreement with management on how to proceed generally and on technological questions in his resignation to the company.

Dr. Malaker, a principal stockholder owning 38.6 percent of the

outstanding shares of common stock, recently resigned as an employee of the company, including as director of technology.

CONTACT: Manfred E. Birnbaum, president of Cryodynamics, 201-654-7700

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#90234p7952 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Transco Energy Co. announced (NYSE: E) that its subsidiary, Transco Exploration and Production Co. (TEPCO), bidding on its own or with partners, was high bidder on 13 of the 18 blocks for which they submitted bids in the western Gulf of Mexico federal offshore lease sale No. 125 held today in New Orleans.

If leases are awarded on all 13 of TEPCO's high bids by the U.S. Department of the Interior's Minerals Management Service (MMS), TEPCO's offshore lease holdings will increase to 69 leases. TEPCO would hold an approximate 85 percent average working interest in these 13 new leases.

TEPCO President and Chief Operating Officer John H. Lollar said, "We are pleased with the results from this sale. If awarded by the MMS, these properties will enhance our strategic acreage position on the outer-continental shelf of the Gulf of Mexico." Lollar commented further on this nation's need to make additional exploratory acreage available and our industry's need to accelerate exploration on that acreage.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - LiTel Telecommunications Corp., a long distance telephone carrier, was recently granted an experimental license by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to develop and test the technology which would provide for wireless telephone services, which eventually will offer consumers a powerful alternative to traditional telephone service.

The experimental license grants LiTel permission to test the first phase of a technology known as Personal Communications Network (PCN) in Columbus Ohio.

Personal "PCN is a revolutionary change in traditional telephone service because it is based on calling people, not places," said Lawrence A. McLernon, LiTel's chairman and CEO. "As a businessman, I have a separate telephone number for my home, my office, my car phone and my voice mail box. I spend countless hours attempting to reach other business people that have multiple phone numbers associated with locations."

"PCN will one day give us the ability to dial a telephone number that belongs to a person. When you want to talk with me, you will simply dial my personal telephone number and reach me whether I am driving to work, walking to my office, or seated at my desk."

-- Communication
"PCN will be a fully portable, intelligent, two-way communications tool allowing users to gain access to local and long-distance service via digital radio waves," said Paul Kindley, LiTel's senior vice president - business development.

-- Networks In its full evolution, PCN will be based upon an intelligent network, on which consumers will utilize a "smart card" which will enable them to provide the network with customized information regarding how they wish to use their phones. The smart card will provide information such as custom calling features, specialized billing, and individually defined user profiles regarding how the subscriber governs the receipt of incoming calls.

"Not only does PCN provide these tremendous functions and benefits to the subscriber, our preliminary projections are that these services may be less expensive than existing technologies," Kindley said.

-- LiTel: Unique Advantages For PCN Development
Founded in 1984, the Worthington, Ohio-based company pioneered the deployment of fiber optics as a means of transmitting long distance calls. Today, LiTel operates its digital fiber optic telecommunications network in seven Midwestern states, serving more than 91,000 customers, and generates more than $300 million in annual revenue.

LiTel is uniquely positioned to develop and implement emerging PCN technology.

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#90234p7958 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Associates Corp. of North America has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a shelf registration under SEC Rule 415 covering the offering from time to time of $3.0 billion of unsecured senior or subordinated debt securities or warrants to purchase such securities.

The registration statement also covers $375 million of unsecured senior or subordinated debt securities and warrants to purchase debt securities left

unsold from a previous shelf registration filed on July 26, 1989, bringing the total to $3.375 billion.

Net proceeds from the publicly issued debt securities under the shelf registration will be used to cover maturing debt, debt subject to call, and growth anticipated in the ordinary course of the company's business.

The securities may be sold through underwriters or dealers to be named by the company. In addition, the securities may be sold by the company directly or through agents designated from time to time. Specific terms of the offering, including rate, maturity and type of security, will be determined at the time of sale.

Associates Corp. of North America is a consumer and commercial finance company and is part of the Financial Services Group of Ford Motor Co.

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#90234p7960 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Chips and Technologies Inc. (Chips) (NASDAQ: CHPS) today announced the resignation from its Board of DIrectors of William L. Marocco, one of the company's original directors. Marocco, an independent real estate developer, stated, "My term as director would expire in October 1990. In order to devote more attention to my real estate activities, I have decided to resign now and not stand for re-election to Chips' Board." Gordon Campbell, chairman, president and CEO of Chips said, "Bill was one of our earliest financial backers, and has remained a strong supporter of Chips over his more than five years of service as a director. We appreciate his contributions to the company and we wish him well with his other activities."

Chips and Technologies Inc. is the world's leading supplier of VLSI proprietary CHIPSets and software solutions for high performance microcomputer systems based on evolving industry standards. The company's common stock is traded over the counter under the symbol CHPS and is listed on the NASDAQ National Market system.

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#90234p7962 08/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Jack Kemp today announced that the Bush Administration is launching a new initiative to help prevent homelessness by providing

federally insured mortgages for Single Room Occupancy (SRO) buildings. The program is designed to help produce decent, safe, and affordable dwellings for homeless people, those at risk of becoming homeless, or those living in substandard or overcrowded homes.

"This program will help provide financing for the construction or rehabilitation of SRO buildings," Secretary Kemp said. "SROs can be a key element in President Bush's strategy to help end the tragedy of homelessness in America."

The proposed rule for implementing the SRO insurance program has been sent to the Federal Register for publication. A final rule will be published following a 60-day period in which HUD invites public comment on the proposed rule.

By making this mortgage insurance program available, HUD will be able to assist a significant population of people who would otherwise be unable to find or afford decent housing that meets their needs. This population includes the underemployed, pensioners, and people receiving some form of public assistance.

As an affordable housing resource, insured SROs represent the opportunity for many Americans to become self-sufficient in modest but respectable surroundings close to jobs and services. The SROs typically consist of one room living units with various shared facilities.

SRO projects have recently become recognized by local governments and homeless advocacy groups as a means of meeting the need for affordable housing in urban centers. This type of housing was once very common in this country; however, as cities changed, most of these units were lost. New development or substantial rehabilitation of SROs, at times used in conjunction with local government financial assistance or federal tax credits, is helping to restore this housing resource.

CONTACT: Bill Glavin, 202-708-0685, Robert Nipp, 202-708-2682, or Dirk Murphy or John Phillips, 415-556-4752, all of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

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(AUG. 22) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	65	56	.537	-	38-21	27-35	5-5	L-1
Toronto	65	58	.528	1	32-29	33-29	6-4	L-2
Baltimore	58	63	.479	7	27-28	31-35	4-6	W-1
Detroit	57	67	.460	9 1/2	29-34	28-33	4-6	W-1

Cleveland	56	66	.459	9 1/2	32-29	24-37	4-6	L-4
Milwaukee	55	66	.455	10	28-33	27-33	8-2	W-3
New York	51	70	.421	14	28-29	23-41	5-5	W-5
West								
Oakland	77	46	.626	-	40-22	37-24	6-4	L-3
Chicago	71	49	.592	4 1/2	36-26	35-23	5-5	W-3
Texas	63	60	.512	14	34-27	29-33	5-5	L-1
California	61	62	.496	16	32-30	29-32	7-3	L-1
Seattle	61	62	.496	16	32-33	29-29	3-7	W-1
Kansas City	60	62	.492	16 1/2	35-28	25-34	6-4	W-2
Minnesota	55	68	.447	22	29-33	26-35	2-8	L-7

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(AUG. 22) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Baseball

American League

Baltimore at Boston, 12:05 p.m.
California at Detroit, 1:35 p.m.
Cleveland at Milwaukee, 2:35 p.m.
Toronto at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Oakland at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
Seattle at Texas, 8:35 p.m.

National League

Montreal at San Francisco, 3:35 p.m.
New York at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.
Houston at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
Atlanta at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.
Williamsport, Pa. - Little League World Series

Cycling

Maebashi, Japan - World Cycling Championships.

Tennis

Mahwah, N.J. - Women's $225,000 United Jersey Bank Classic
Commack, N.Y. - Men's $250,000 Hamlet Challenge Cup

#90234u0120 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (AUG. 22) UPI - A Western specialist said hundreds of Scud missiles capable of carrying chemical warheads reportedly being deployed by Iraq to captured Kuwait might be decoys.

Saudi sources said Iraq was moving the Soviet-made missiles to Kuwait, within range of the Saudi capital of Riyadh.

Henry Dodds, editor of the Jane's Soviet Intelligence Review, said Tuesday informed Saudi Arabians told Jane's Defense Weekly publisher Paul Beaver that Iraq began to deploy 800 of the Soviet-designed weapons to occupied Kuwait Monday.

''I suspect that what we're actually seeing here is an Iraqi deception ploy,'' Dodds said. ''A lot of Iraqi officers have been to Soviet military colleges and 'maskerovka' (disguise) is a part of Soviet training.''

Baghdad may be trying ''to confuse everyone,'' he said.

If genuine Scuds were deployed, Dodds said the 39-foot-long ballistic missiles with a range of up to 370 miles and a carrying capacity of 2,080 pounds could pose a serious threat.

During its eight-year war with Iran, Iraq extended the range of the Soviet-designed Scud missiles from 190 miles to 370 miles, he said.

Riyadh and Jerusalem would be within reach of the modified missiles, if properly positioned in Kuwait or Iraq, Dodds said.

He said the reported deployment to Kuwait would ''suggest (the Iraqis) are very determined to defend Kuwait at all costs. It will give the Americans and the pan-Arab forces something to worry about.''

''A ton of chemical detonated in a populated area could cause significant damage,'' Dodds said. Temperature and wind conditions influence the effects of chemical weapons.

Dodds said the exact locations of the armaments were not known.

Baghdad has made no attempt to conceal its movement of the missiles, shipping them to Kuwait on flatbed trailers painted with the Iraqi colors, Dodds quoted the Saudi sources as saying.

The modified missile, which looks the same as its less powerful cousin, was built by adding components to the Soviet original, and dubbed '''al-Hussein' after the despot of the same name,'' Dodds said.

Dodds said the al-Hussein missile launcher differed from the standard launcher although it was difficult to tell them apart. He said chemical warheads and conventional explosives were indistinguishable but required different types of support vehicles.

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#90234u0136 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 22) UPI - Diplomats of the five permanent U.N. Security Council members met to try to reconcile differences on how to use military force to back up U.N.-mandated sanctions against Iraq.

Diplomatic sources at the U.N. said the United States had hoped to reconvene the full, 15-member Security Council Tuesday to vote on a U.S. request for a U.N. mandate to enforce the embargom, but they said the United States was still encountering resistance among the other four permanent members.

''The U.S. proposal faces significant reservations due to the speed with which Washington is trying to get it adopted,'' said a European diplomat close to the talks. ''We believe that more consultations are necessary.''

A diplomat for one of the 10 nonpermanent Security Council members said there were also objections within that group.

A late-night session that ended early Tuesday was inconclusive as to the U.S. request for U.N. endorsement of its pledge to seal off Iraqi commerce by whatever means necessary. But it did damp a potential flashpoint over an Iraqi tanker steaming through the Persian Gulf for Yemen.

Yemen, which has a seat on the 15-member Security Council, pledged it would turn back the tanker, one of two tailed by U.S. Navy warships through the Gulf in recent days amid building tension.

That averted a clash over the level of force the U.S. administration had said it would use to prevent Iraqi oil from reaching market. But sources at the United Nations said the U.S. delegation was determined to press its Security Council partners to vote the enforcement mandate.

The U.S. draft resolution, if passed, would authorize ''with immediate effect all member states which are deploying maritime forces to the area to use such minimum force as may be necesssary'' to enforce sanctions.

One U.S. official, entering the late-night session, said, ''It's important to be enforced, and people who have forces there should do that.''

But a U.N. source said the five permanent members of the Security Council had yet to reach agreement on the channels through which the U.N. mandate

would be exercised in the gulf region. The United States wants a loose mandate enabling countries to act singly; others want a joint U.N. command.

The source, speaking on condition he not be named, said U.S., Soviet, French, British and Chinese diplomats representing the five permanent members of the Security Council were seeking agreement Tuesday. If they hammered out a common position it would likely be put to the full Council.

For a resolution to win Security Council approval, it must be approved by at least nine of 15 members, with no veto by a permanent member. The nonpermanent Security Council members are: Canada, Colombia, Ivory Coast, Cuba, Yemen, Ethiopia, Finland, Malaysia, Romania and Zaire.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Felix rf	4	0	0	0	Kelly cf	4	2	3	0
Fernandz ss	3	0	0	0	Sax 2b	3	0	0	0
Gruber 3b	4	0	0	0	Azocar lf	4	0	2	1
Bell dh	3	0	0	0	Balboni 1b	2	1	1	1
McGriff 1b	4	1	2	0	Maas 1b	1	0	0	0
Williams pr	0	0	0	0	Barfield rf	4	0	1	0
Borders c	4	1	1	0	Cerone dh	2	0	1	0
Hill lf	4	0	1	0	Hall dh	2	0	0	0
Lee 2b	3	0	1	0	Leyritz 3b	3	0	0	0
Wilson cf	3	0	1	2	Nokes ph	1	0	0	0
					Velarde 3b	0	0	0	0
					Geren c	3	0	1	0
					Espinoza ss	4	0	0	0
Totals	32	2	6	2	Totals	33	3	9	2

Toronto 000 020 000- 2
New York 102 000 00x- 3

E-Lee, Guetterman. DP-New York 1. LOB-Toronto 5, New York 10. 2B-Kelly, Lee. HR-Balboni (13). SB-Kelly 2 (29), Azocar (5).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Candelaria (L 7-6)	4 1-3	6	3	3	1	3
Wills	2 2-3	3	0	0	2	3
Ward	1	0	0	0	0	0

New York

Cary (W 5-8)	7	5	2	2	2	6
Guetterman (S 2)	2	1	0	0	0	1

HBP-by Candelaria (Kelly). WP- Candelaria, Cary. T-2:46. A-22,315.

Umpires-Home, Tschida; 1b, Brinkman; 2b, Reed; 3b, Cooney.

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BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Anderson cf	1	2	1	1	Reed 2b	5	1	1	1
Devereax cf	3	0	1	1	Quintana 1b	4	0	2	1
Finley rf	4	1	3	0	Boggs 3b	4	0	1	0
Ripken Jr ss	4	1	1	0	Burks cf	5	1	3	0
Horn dh	2	1	1	1	Greenwell lf	5	0	2	0
Kittle dh	3	0	0	0	Marshall dh	4	1	1	1
Orsulak lf	2	1	2	2	Brunnsky rf	4	1	2	0
Gallagher lf	3	0	0	0	Pena c	4	0	0	0
Tettleton c	5	1	2	0	Rivera ss	3	1	1	1
Hulett 3b	4	1	2	1	Plantier ph	1	0	0	0
Wrthngtn 3b	0	0	0	0	Barrett 2b	0	0	0	0
Hoiles 1b	4	0	0	0					
Segui 1b	0	0	0	0					
Ripken 2b	2	1	1	0					
Gonzales 2b	2	0	0	0					
Totals	39	9	14	6	Totals	39	5	13	4

Baltimore	423 000 000-	9
Boston	010 030 010-	5

E-Reed, Finley, Greenwell, Devereaux 2. DP-Baltimore 1, Boston 2. LOB-Baltimore 9, Boston 9. 2B-Ripken, Hulett 2, Tettleton, Brunansky, Rivera, Boggs, Quintana. HR-Marshall (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
Mitchell (W 6-5)	6 2-3	11	4	4	1	2
Price	1-3	1	1	1	0	0
Schilling	1 1-3	1	0	0	1	2
Olson (S 29)	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Boston						
Kiecker (L 4-6)	0	3	4	4	2	0
Lamp	2	5	5	4	1	0
Hesketh	4	3	0	0	2	6
Irvine	3	3	0	0	1	1

Kiecker pitched to 5 batters in the 1st, Lamp pitched to 3 batters in the 3rd, Price pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

WP-Hesketh. T-3:28. A-35,022.

Umpires-Home, Garcia; 1b, Palermo; 2b, Scott; 3b, Roe.

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CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi
Polonia lf	2	1	0	0	Phillips 2b	4	2	2	0
White cf	2	0	0	0	Fryman 3b	3	1	0	0
Coachmn 3b	4	0	2	0	Trammell ss	3	0	0	1
Venable cf	5	0	1	1	Fielder 1b	3	1	0	0
Winfield dh	5	1	2	1	Moseby cf	4	2	3	4
Stevens 1b	4	0	1	0	Sheets lf	3	0	0	0
Bichette rf	3	0	0	0	Shelby lf	0	0	0	0
Parrish c	4	0	2	0	Bergman dh	4	0	2	1
Hill 2b	4	0	1	0	Lemon rf	2	0	0	0
Schofield ss	2	0	0	0	Salas c	4	0	1	0
Totals	35	2	9	2	Totals	30	6	8	6

California 001 100 000- 2
Detroit 401 100 00x- 6

DP-California 1. LOB-California 12, Detroit 6. 2B-Venable, Phillips. 3B-Moseby. HR-Moseby (12), Winfield (15). SF-Trammell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Grahe (L 0-1)	2 2-3	5	5	5	3	3
Young	3 1-3	1	1	1	1	3
Fetters	2	2	0	0	0	2
Detroit						
Petry (W 10-9)	5	5	2	2	3	3
Gibson	1 2-3	3	0	0	2	3
Nunez (S 4)	2 1-3	1	0	0	1	4

HBP-by Grahe (Fryman). WP- Young. T-3:00. A-14,916.

Umpires-Home, Joyce; 1b, Barnett; 2b, Kosc; 3b, Morrison.

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OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi

Lansford 3b	4	1	0	0	Johnson cf	4	0	1	0
Blanknshp lf	1	0	0	0	Fletcher 2b	4	0	1	0
Jennings lf	1	0	0	0	Calderon lf	4	0	0	0
Canseco dh	4	0	1	0	Pasqua dh	3	0	1	0
McGwire 1b	3	0	0	1	Bradley dh	1	1	0	0
Jose rf	4	0	2	0	Thomas 1b	3	1	1	0
Steinbach c	4	0	1	0	Sosa rf	3	0	0	0
Randolph 2b	4	0	0	0	Karkovice c	2	1	0	0
Gallego ss	3	0	1	0	Grebeck 3b	1	0	1	0
Lewis cf	2	0	2	0	Ventura ph	0	0	0	0
					Fisk ph	1	0	1	3
					Lyons 3b	0	1	0	0
					Guillen ss	2	0	0	1
Totals	30	1	7	1	Totals	28	4	6	4

Oakland 100 000 000- 1
Chicago 000 000 40x- 4

E-Guillen. DP-Oakland 1, Chicago 1. LOB-Oakland 6, Chicago 5. 2B-Thomas, Pasqua, Fisk. SB-Sosa (22). S- Blankenship, Lewis, Guillen. SF-McGwire.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Moore (L 10-12)	6 1-3	3	3	3	4	2
Honeycutt	1-3	3	1	1	0	0
Nelson	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Chicago						
Hibbard (W 10-7)	7	7	1	0	1	2
Jones	1	0	0	0	0	2
Thigpen (S 41)	1	0	0	0	0	0

T-2:56. A-31,172.

Umpires-Home, Phillips; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, McCoy; 3b, Clark.

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CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Cole Jr cf	4	1	1	0	Molitor 1b	4	1	1	0
Browne 2b	4	2	1	3	Gantner 2b	4	1	3	2
DJames lf	4	1	1	0	Sheffield 3b	4	0	0	0
Webster lf	0	0	0	0	Parker dh	4	1	2	2
Maldonad rf	4	0	1	1	Yount cf	4	0	0	0
CJames dh	4	0	0	1	Deer rf	4	1	1	1
Jacoby 1b	4	0	0	0	Vaughn lf	3	0	0	0
Baerga 3b	4	0	0	0	Hamilton lf	1	1	1	0

Alomar c	3	0	0	0	O'Brien c	2	1	0	0
Fermin ss	3	1	2	0	Diaz ss	3	0	1	0
					Brock ph	1	0	1	1
Totals	34	5	6	5	Totals	34	6	10	6

Cleveland 000 200 030- 5
Milwaukee 200 111 001- 6

E-Molitor, Sheffield. DP-Milwaukee 1. LOB-Cleveland 2, Milwaukee 5. 3B-Molitor. HR-Deer (24), Parker (16), Browne (5). SB-Gantner 2 (10), Molitor (13), Hamilton (10). S-O'Brien.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Swindell	6 2-3	8	5	5	1	6
Ward (L 1-1)	1 2-3	1	1	1	0	4
Orosco	0	1	0	0	0	0
Milwaukee						
Robinson	8	6	5	3	0	2
Plesac (W 3-5)	1	0	0	0	0	0

Balk-Swindell. T-2:38. A-19,162.

Umpires-Home, Coble; 1b, Evans; 2b, Ford; 3b, Welke.

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MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
Gladden lf	4	1	1	3	Seitzer 3b	3	2	1	0
Liriano 2b	5	0	0	0	McRae cf	3	1	0	1
Puckett cf	3	1	1	0	Brett 1b	2	3	1	1
Moses cf	2	0	1	0	Tartabull dh	3	0	1	1
Gaetti 3b	5	0	1	0	Eisenrech rf	4	0	2	2
Harper c	5	2	2	1	Wilson lf	3	0	1	2
Hrbek 1b	5	1	2	0	Stillwell ss	4	0	0	0
Castillo dh	4	1	2	2	White 2b	4	1	2	0
Larkin dh	1	0	0	0	Boone c	3	1	0	0
Mack rf	2	1	1	0					
Bush rf	2	0	2	1					
Gagne ss	3	0	1	0					
Newman ss	1	0	0	0					
Totals	42	7	14	7	Totals	29	8	8	7

Minnesota 010 330 000- 7
Kansas City 202 400 00x- 8

E-Stillwell, Liriano, Harper. DP- Minnesota 1. LOB-Minnesota 9, Kansas

City 6. 2B-Harper 2, Gaetti, Tartabull, White, Castillo, Hrbek. 3B-Brett. HR-Gladden (5). SB-Seitzer (7), Eisenreich (12), Moses (2). SF-McRae.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Abbott (L 0-1)	3	6	7	7	5	3
Smith	1 1-3	2	1	1	3	0
Berenguer	3 2-3	0	0	0	0	2
Kansas City						
Campbell	4 2-3	10	7	7	0	1
Crawford (W 5-2)	2 1-3	2	0	0	0	0
Montgomery (S 18)	2	2	0	0	1	2

Abbott pitched to 3 batters in the 4th.

WP-Smith, Crawford. T-2:57. A- 22,751.

Umpires-Home, Denkinger; 1b, Voltaggio; 2b, Shulock; 3b, McClelland.

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SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	5	0	1	0	Pettis cf	3	0	1	0
Briley lf	4	1	1	0	Petralli ph	1	0	0	0
Griffey cf	4	0	0	0	Stanley c	3	0	0	0
Davis dh	2	1	0	0	Reimer ph	1	0	1	0
CMartinz 1b	4	0	3	2	Palmeiro 1b	4	0	1	0
Cotto rf	4	0	1	1	Sierra rf	3	1	1	1
Valle c	4	1	1	1	Franco 2b	3	1	0	0
Vizquel ss	5	0	0	0	Incaviglia lf	4	1	1	0
Schaefer 3b	4	1	2	0	JoRussell dh	3	0	1	0
					Baines dh	1	0	0	0
					Kunkel 3b	3	0	1	1
					Huson ph	1	0	1	0
					Green ss	4	0	0	1
Totals	36	4	9	4	Totals	34	3	8	3

Seattle	002	001	100- 4
Texas	010	100	010- 3

E-Schaefer. DP-Seattle 1. LOB- Seattle 13, Texas 8. 2B-Kunkel, CMartinez, Reimer. HR-Valle (5), Sierra (15). SB-Schaefer 2 (3), Franco 2 (24), Griffey (14).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Seattle						
Johnson (W 12-7)	7 1-3	6	3	3	4	5
Schooler (S 30)	1 2-3	2	0	0	0	1

Texas						
Hough (L 10-9)	6	5	3	3	5	3
Barfield	2-3	1	1	1	1	0
Arnsberg	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	0
Rogers	1	1	0	0	2	0

T-3:19. A-19,254.

Umpires-Home, Johnson; 1b, Young; 2b, Cousins; 3b, Hickox.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 22) UPI - The only FBI agent ever accused of spying returns to federal court Wednesday for the start of his third trial, but this time his case will be out of the spotlight of a jury.

Richard Miller, the portly ex-agent who was once likened to bumbling television figure Ralph Kramden, faces espionage charges for allegedly passing government documents to a Soviet lover.

Although tried twice before - with one jury deadlocking and another convicting him but his conviction was later overturn - Miller's third trial will be decided by U.S. District Judge Robert Takasugi.

Miller, who maintains he is innocent, rejected offers by prosecutors Tuesday to plead guilty to specific spying charges in return for a maximum prison sentence of 15 years, his attorneys said.

At a pre-trial hearing Tuesday, Miller testified that his admissions to the FBI that he passed secrets to his Soviet lover, Svetlana Ogorodnikova, were prompted partially by his concerns about his ''personal spirituality.''

Miller, 53, said he wanted to be truthful during interrogations in 1984 with FBI agents who, like him, were Mormons.

''I wanted to be so honest even to the side of error,'' Miller testified during the hearing, at which his lawyers accused the government of misconduct for failing to disclose to them information about religious overtures Miller had made to his superiors at the FBI.

But under questioning from Assistant U.S. Attorney Adam Schiff, Miller said his religion was not the only factor to prompt the confessions he now claims were false. He testified that he also was trying to serve his country and said he was weary and had difficulty remembering things during five days of intense questioning in 1984.

The defense had sought to surpress Miller's admissions on grounds that they resulted from religious pressuring by FBI agents, but the judge ruled Tuesday the confessions were admissible evidence.

Miller and a former supervisor of the FBI's Los Angeles office testified that Miller asked for ''a blessing'' from the other agent at one point during the interrogation process. The other agent, Philip Christensen, was a bishop in the Mormon church at the time.

After Miller asked Christensen for the blessing, Christensen testified, ''there was a short pause and (Miller) said, 'No, that wouldn't be appropriate.'''

During the interviews, Miller admitted passing a secret FBI document to Ogorodnikova for sex, money and an expensive trench coat.

Miller, who was ex-communicated from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, said he admitted to the spying allegations because: ''I wanted to be so honest that the statements that I made were to benefit the FBI.''

Miller said he answered questions during the interrogation ''without any way of refreshing my memory'' and that it was only weeks afterward that ''I came to the conclusion that I did not give anybody any documents.''

After his first trial ended in a jury deadlock in 1985, Miller was convicted in June 1986, but the conviction was reversed by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which ruled that U.S. District Court Judge David Kenyon permitted too much testimony about lie detector tests that Miller failed.

Miller did not testify at his earlier trials. Ogorodnikova pleaded guilty to espionage conspiracy in 1984. She was sentenced to 18 years in prison. Her husband, Nikolai, also was convicted for his participation in the alleged scheme and served a five-year term.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - The head of the National Association of Arab-Americans says as the Persian Gulf crisis continues, Arabs are replacing the Soviets as ''the enemy'' in the minds of many Americans. Arab-American

organizations in the United States report a sharp rise in anti-Arab remarks, threats and even occasional violence in the past few weeks. They say it's ironic because groups such as the N-A-A-A have led the campaign to back the Bush administration's policies in the gulf crisis and denounce Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The parliamentary faction leader of East Germany's Social Democratic Party has resigned. The sudden resignation of Richard Schroder comes only hours after Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere and leaders of all East German political parties agreed Tuesday that German unification will take place October 14th. The move did NOT appear to jeopardize the agreement.

Philippine police say suspected rebel soldiers seeking the ouster of President Aquino exploded bombs outside a McDonald's restaurant and two other places in and around Manila late Tuesday and early Wednesday. The blasts caused minor damage, but NO injuries. At least 18 bombs have rocked the capital in the past six weeks. Except for a wounded security guard, NO casualties have been reported in the incidents.

Cambodia's resistance leaders begin three-way talks in Beijing Wednesday. Two NON-communists factions will meet with the Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge looking to end Cambodia's 11-year-old war. But despite the formality of the talks, optimism is NOT high. As one Western diplomat says, the general sense is that NO breakthroughs are in sight.

-30- 1812

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(AUG. 22) UPI - In Wyoming primary elections Tuesday, incumbent Repubican Senator Alan Simpson and Democratic Governor Mike Sullivan appead headed for victory. With about 25 percent of the state's precincts reporting, Simpson polled about 88 percent of the vote. In the Democratic gubernatorial primary, Sullivan had about 89 percent of the vote.

Scientists say rats under stress produce the same chemical as when they drink alcohol. A Purdue University researcher says studies indicate that part of the hormone A-C-T-H may help animals cope with stress. The researcher told a scientific forum in Buffalo, New York, Tuesday that the substance might help treat alcoholics. The rats drank more alcohol after they stopped getting injections of the hormone.

Officials at the University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics in Madison say a rare operation has left a 53-year-old man with two working human hearts. The second heart... from a 14-year-old donor... was implanted July 21st in the right side of William Rammer's chest to overcome high blood pressure in his lungs. Doctors say Rammer is now expected to resume a normal life.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - NL STANDINGS

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	72	50	.590	-	35-24	37-26	8-2	L-1
New York	68	52	.567	3	40-22	28-30	4-6	L-2
Montreal	64	58	.525	8	33-23	31-35	6-4	W-1
Chicago	59	63	.484	13	31-32	28-31	6-4	L-1
Philadel.	58	62	.483	13	29-28	29-34	6-4	W-1
St. Louis	57	66	.463	15 1/2	30-37	27-29	5-5	L-1
West								
Cincinnati	69	52	.570	-	36-25	33-27	5-5	W-1
Los Angeles	63	59	.516	6 1/2	35-26	28-33	5-5	L-1
San Fran.	62	60	.508	7 1/2	32-27	30-33	2-8	L-1
San Diego	58	63	.479	11	32-34	26-29	6-4	W-2
Houston	54	69	.439	16	35-25	19-44	5-5	W-1
Atlanta	46	76	.377	23 1/2	25-34	21-42	4-6	W-1

-30- 955
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NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Guards and inmates clashed at Rikers Island following the stabbing of one inmate in a disturbance that injured about 40 people at the prison, authorities said Wednesday.

The violence Tuesday night came one week after a prison riot that injured 162 people.

The disturbance erupted around 8 p.m. and was under control by about 9:15 p.m. said Emergency Medical Service spokesman Robert Leonard.

The scuffle between guards and inmates reportedly began after an inmate was stabbed by an unknown assailant and other inmates were ordered locked in for an investigation of the incident.

Some refused to be locked in and 40 guards were called to enforce the order.

EMS ambulances transported 24 correction officers and nine inmates off the island for treatment of wounds, Leonard said.

At midnight, he said there were about 10 more people waiting to be removed from the island and taken to area hospitals, bringing the total number of injured to around 40, Leonard said.

Leonard said none of the injuries was serious. The injured were taken to Flushing, Bellevue, Jamaica and Elmhurst Hospitals.

''Most of the injuries were blunt traumas, some stab wounds, spinal injuries and there was smoke inhalation. We don't know what caused that,'' Leonard said.

Police were escorting ambulances on and off the island, Leonard said.

During a blockade of a bridge leading to the prison last Monday by protesting correction officers, EMS workers and guards clashed, resulting in 11 injuries.

''We'll go in there as long as we have a police escort,'' Leonard said.

The blockade by guards angered by an attack on a fellow officer by three prisoners the previous week led last Tuesday to the worst confrontation at the city jail since 1986.

The riot there has been the subject of tensions between city administrators and the union representing correction officers since.

Rikers Island correction officers at their regular monthy meeting Tuesday cheered their union president's call to stay on the job and not engage in a second unauthorized work action, members said.

With the threat of a wildcat strike looming, Phil Seelig, head of the Correction Officers Benevolent Association, said before the meeting that he would not endorse any unauthorized work action at the troubled jail.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Yelding cf	4	0	1	1	Backman 2b	4	0	0	0
Doran 2b	4	1	1	1	Bell ss	4	0	1	0
Biggio c	2	0	0	0	Van Slyke cf	4	0	0	0
Wilson rf	4	0	1	0	Bonilla rf	4	0	0	0
Caminiti 3b	4	0	0	0	Bonds lf	3	0	0	0
Davidson lf	3	0	0	0	Bream 1b	4	0	2	0
Stubbs 1b	3	1	2	0	Redus pr	0	0	0	0
Ramirez ss	3	0	0	0	LaValliere c	4	0	1	0
Darwin p	2	0	0	0	King 3b	3	1	1	1
					Tomlin p	2	0	0	0
					Patterson p	0	0	0	0

					Cangelosi ph	1	0	0	0
					Belinda p	0	0	0	0
Totals	29	2	5	2	Totals	33	1	5	1

Houston 000 001 010- 2
Pittsburgh 001 000 000- 1

E-Caminiti. DP-Pittsburgh 1. LOB- Houston 3, Pittsburgh 6. 2B-Stubbs, LaValliere, Bream. HR-King (9), Doran (6). S-Darwin.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Darwin (W 9-1)	9	5	1	1	1	4
Pittsburgh						
Tomlin	7	3	1	1	2	4
Patterson (L 8-4)	1	2	1	1	0	0
Belinda	1	0	0	0	0	1

T-2:20. A-14,062.

Umpires-Home, Hallion; 1b, DeMuth; 2b, Gregg; 3b, Crawford.

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CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Dascenzo lf	3	0	1	0	Hatcher cf	5	3	4	0
Sandberg 2b	4	1	1	1	Larkin ss	5	1	2	2
Grace 1b	4	0	0	0	Morris 1b	5	0	1	0
Clark lf	3	0	1	0	O'Neill rf	3	1	1	0
Villanuev ph	1	0	0	0	Braggs lf	5	1	1	3
Wynne cf	0	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	3	2	0	0
Salazar 3b	3	0	0	0	Reed c	3	0	1	0
Pavlas p	0	0	0	0	Wnnnghm pr	0	0	0	0
Williams p	0	0	0	0	Oliver c	1	0	1	1
Varsho ph	1	0	0	0	Duncan 2b	3	0	1	1
Smith rf	4	0	2	0	Mahler p	2	0	0	0
Ramos ss	4	0	2	0	Quinones ph	1	0	0	0
Girardi c	3	0	0	0	Myers p	0	0	0	0
Harkey p	2	0	0	0					
Wilkerson 3b	2	0	1	0					
Totals	34	1	8	1	Totals	36	8	12	7

Chicago 001 000 000- 1
Cincinnati 001 120 22x- 8

E-Ramos 2, Wilkerson, Smith. DP- Chicago 2, Cincinnati 1. LOB-Chicago 8, Cincinnati 10. 2B-Hatcher 4, Morris, Oliver. 3B-Duncan. HR-Sandberg (29).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Harkey (L 12-6)	5 1-3	8	4	4	4	2
Pavlas	1 2-3	4	4	2	1	1
Williams	1	0	0	0	1	1
Cincinnati						
Mahler (W 5-5)	7	5	1	1	1	3
Myers	2	3	0	0	1	1

Pavlas pitched to 2 batters in the 8th.

WP-Harkey, Pavlas 2, Williams 2. T- 2:42. A-22,759.

Umpires-Home, Hohn; 1b, Rennert; 2b, Bonin; 3b, Tata.

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ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
LSmith lf	5	0	0	0	Coleman lf	3	0	1	0
Gant cf	5	2	2	1	Niedenfuer p	0	0	0	0
Justice rf	4	1	1	1	Wilson ph	1	0	1	0
Presley 3b	4	0	1	0	Smith ss	5	0	2	0
Cabrera 1b	3	1	1	0	McGee rf	5	0	0	0
Gregg 1b	1	0	0	0	Zeile 1b	4	1	1	0
Olson c	4	1	1	0	Pendleton 3b	4	0	0	0
Thomas ss	4	2	2	1	Lankford cf	4	1	2	1
Lemke 2b	4	0	2	2	Hudler 2b	4	0	2	1
Smoltz p	3	0	0	1	Pagnozzi c	4	0	2	0
McDowell ph	0	0	0	0	Magrane p	2	0	0	0
Mercker p	0	0	0	0	Thompson lf	2	0	0	0
Totals	37	7	10	6	Totals	38	2	11	2

Atlanta	120 002 101- 7
St. Louis	000 000 020- 2

E-Pendleton, Hudler 2. DP-St. Louis 1. LOB-Atlanta 4, St. Louis 10. 2B-Gant, Zeile, Lankford, Olson. HR-Gant (22), Thomas (5). SB-Gant (21), Lankford (1), Coleman (69).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Smoltz (W 10-9)	8	10	2	2	1	2
Mercker	1	1	0	0	0	1

St. Louis						
Magrane (L 8-14)	7	7	6	4	0	3
Niedenfuer	2	3	1	1	1	0

T-2:40. A-27,388.

Umpires-Home, Rippley; 1b, Darling; 2b, Froemming; 3b, Pulli.

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NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Jefferies 2b	4	0	1	0	Roberts ss	4	2	3	0
Carr lf	0	0	0	0	Alomar 2b	4	2	2	1
Magadan 3b	4	0	2	0	Gwynn rf	3	1	1	1
McRynlds lf	4	0	0	0	Carter cf	4	1	0	0
Diaz 2b	0	0	0	0	Santiago c	4	1	1	2
Strawbrry rf	3	0	1	0	Lynn lf	4	0	0	1
Reed rf	1	0	0	0	Pagliarul 3b	3	0	0	0
Johnson ss	4	0	0	0	Stephensn 1b	3	0	1	1
Torve 1b	4	0	1	0	Whitson p	3	0	0	0
Boston cf	4	0	1	0					
Sasser c	3	0	1	0					
Trevino c	0	0	0	0					
Darling p	1	0	0	0					
O'Malley ph	1	0	0	0					
Machado p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	33	0	7	0	Totals	32	7	8	6

New York	000 000 000	0
San Diego	421 000 00x	7

E-McReynolds, Magadan, Sasser, Pagliarulo. DP-New York 1. LOB-New York 7, San Diego 3. 2B-Alomar. 3B-Santiago. SB-Roberts (29), Carter (14). S-Darling.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Darling (L 5-8)	6	7	7	5	1	8
Machado	2	1	0	0	1	1
San Diego						
Whitson (W 10-7)	9	7	0	0	0	6

T-2:01. A-23,006.

Umpires-Home, Winters; 1b, Davis; 2b, Layne; 3b, Runge.

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MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
DeShields 2b	4	1	1	0	Butler cf	4	1	1	1
DMartinz cf	5	0	2	2	Kingery rf	2	1	1	1
Raines lf	5	2	2	2	Litton rf	1	0	0	0
Wallach 3b	5	0	2	1	Clark 1b	4	1	1	0
Aldrete 1b	3	1	0	1	Mitchell lf	4	1	1	1
Galarrag 1b	2	0	0	0	Riles 3b	5	0	3	1
Walker rf	4	2	2	2	Kennedy c	3	0	0	0
Fitzgerald c	4	1	1	2	Thurmond p	0	0	0	0
Foley ss	3	0	0	0	Oliveras p	0	0	0	0
Rojas p	0	0	0	0	Thompsn 2b	4	1	2	1
Noboa ph	1	1	1	0	Uribe ss	4	0	1	0
Sampen p	0	0	0	0	Burkett p	1	0	0	0
Boyd p	1	0	0	0	Parker ph	1	0	0	0
Ruskin p	0	0	0	0	Wilson p	0	0	0	0
Nixon ph	1	0	0	0	Brantley p	0	0	0	0
Mohorcic p	0	0	0	0	Carter c	1	0	1	0
Owen ss	1	2	1	0					
Totals	39	10	12	10	Totals	34	5	11	5

Montreal 000 023 104- 10
San Francisco 300 110 000- 5

E-Thompson, Clark. DP-Montreal 1, San Francisco 1. LOB-Montreal 4, San Francisco 9. 2B-Butler, Kingery, Riles, Thompson, De Shields. HR-Fitzgerald (8), Walker (14). S-Burkett. SF-Mitchell, Butler.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Boyd	3 2-3	7	4	4	1	0
Ruskin	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Mohorcic	1	3	1	1	0	0
Rojas (W 1-1)	3	1	0	0	1	2
Sampen	1	0	0	0	1	0
San Francisco						
Burkett	6	8	5	5	0	2
Wilson (L 8-6)	1-3	0	1	1	1	0
Brantley	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Thurmond	1 2-3	3	4	4	1	0
Oliveras	1-3	1	0	0	0	0

WP-Wilson. Balk-Burkett, Boyd. T- 3:16. A-16,759.

Umpires-Home, Davidson; 1b, Williams; 2b, Montague; 3b, Hirschbeck.

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PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	3	1	2	0	Harris 2b	4	0	2	2
Campusan cf	2	0	0	0	Samuel 2b	2	0	0	0
Daulton c	4	0	0	0	Gibson cf	3	1	1	0
Nieto c	0	1	0	0	Gonzalez cf	2	0	0	0
VHayes lf	4	1	1	3	Daniels lf	2	2	2	0
Murphy rf	5	1	1	2	Javier lf	3	0	1	1
CHayes 3b	4	0	0	0	Murray 1b	3	2	1	0
McDowell p	0	0	0	0	Hatcher 1b	2	0	1	0
Kruk 1b	1	1	1	3	Brooks rf	2	1	0	1
Herr 2b	2	1	0	0	Gwynn rf	2	0	0	0
Booker 2b	1	2	1	0	Scioscia c	4	2	3	4
CMartinz 1b	5	1	1	1	Dempsey c	1	0	0	0
Carman p	0	0	0	0	Sharpersn 3b	5	1	2	1
Thon ss	5	1	2	2	Griffin ss	4	1	1	1
Grimsley p	1	0	0	0	Aase p	0	0	0	0
Ruffin p	1	0	0	0	Valenzuel ph	1	0	1	0
Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0	Walsh p	0	0	0	0
Cook p	0	0	0	0	Crews p	0	0	0	0
Boever p	0	0	0	0	JHowell p	0	0	0	0
Hollins 3b	2	2	2	1	Hartley p	2	1	0	0
					Offerman ss	2	0	0	0
Totals	40	12	11	12	Totals	44	11	15	10

Philadelphia	010	000	029-	12
Los Angeles	012	080	000-	11

E-Scioscia 2, CHayes, Akerfelds, Thon, Offerman 2. DP-Philadelphia 2. LOB-Philadelphia 7, Los Angeles 12. 2B-Scioscia, Hatcher, VHayes, Murphy, CMartinez. HR-Kruk (3). SB-Dykstra 3 (28), Herr (7), Booker (2). S-Hartley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Grimsley	3	6	3	3	3	2
Ruffin	1	2	5	3	1	2
Akerfelds	0	1	3	2	0	0
Cook	2	3	0	0	1	1
Boever	1	1	0	0	0	1
McDowell (W 5-6)	1	1	0	0	0	1
Carman (S 1)	1	1	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles						
Hartley	6	2	1	1	3	4
Aase	2	3	2	2	0	0

Walsh	1-3	2	6	1	2	0
Crews (L 1-4)	0	3	3	3	0	0
JHowell	2-3	1	0	0	1	0

Ruffin pitched to 5 batters in the 5th, Akerfelds pitched to 3 batters in the 5th.

PB-Daulton. T-3:31. A-39,682.

Umpires-Home, Marsh; 1b, Wendelstedt; 2b, West; 3b, Barnes.

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#90234u0266 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (AUG. 22) UPI - China Wednesday accelerated its emergency evacuation of nearly 10,000 Chinese workers from Iraq and Kuwait, dispatching three airliners to retrieve 1,100 citizens who made their way overland to Jordan.

The Chinese government chartered the planes for a Wednesday departure to the Jordanian capital of Amman, the official English-language China Daily reported.

The full-scale evacuation was yet another indication of China's policy of support of the U.N.-led campaign to isolate Iraq.

China denounced Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and suspended its lucrative sales of weapons to Baghdad, actions that Western diplomats say restored some of the international confidence that Beijing lost when it brutally crushed the nation's democracy movement in June 1989.

An initial group of 97 Chinese who had been working in Kuwait was evacuated Sunday, and most were believed to be women and medical workers, China's official Xinhua news agency reported.

Groups totaling 1,818 departed Monday, leaving the tense region by way of Amman or the Iraqi capital of Baghdad, Xinhua said.

About 5,000 Chinese - mostly workers but also some students - were in Kuwait when Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ordered his army to invade the tiny oil kingdom, according to Chinese diplomats quoted by the China Daily.

About 4,800 Chinese were working or studying in Iraq, they said.

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#90234u0271 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - To the Oakland Athletics it just didn't seem fair. To Carlton Fisk it was fair, just barely.

Fisk, pinch hitting with the bases loaded and his team trailing 1-0 in the seventh inning, bounced a double over the third-base bag Tuesday night to drive in three runs and rally the Chicago White Sox to a 4-1 victory over the Athletics.

''It was fair maybe by four inches,'' Fisk said.

Oakland starter Mike Moore, 10-12, had a two-hitter going before running into trouble in the seventh. Dan Pasqua opened with a double and Moore walked Frank Thomas. One out later, Moore walked Ron Karkovice to load the bases.

White Sox Manager Jeff Torborg inserted left-handed batter Robin Ventura as a pinch-hitter, and Oakland Manager Tony La Russa went to Rick Honeycutt. Torborg then inserted Fisk for Ventura.

''At that point, I wanted a ground-ball pitcher,'' La Russa said. ''We talked about Fisk coming in to hit, so it wasn't a surprise. Moore just walked a couple tough guys, and I thought (Honeycutt) had a better chance to get a ground ball.

Which is exactly what happened.

''The ball's at somebody, we've still got the lead,'' La Russa said. ''It found a hole.''

And Fisk felt fortunate that it did.

Chicago scored its final run as Ozzie Guillen's squeeze bunt drove in Steve Lyons, who was running for Fisk.

Chicago's third straight triumph - its fifth in a row over Oakland - moved the White Sox within 4 1/2 games of the American League West leaders.

The Athletics lost their third straight game for the first time since early July and will rely on 20-game winner Bob Welch against Chicago to try to avert a sweep.

Oakland had taken a 1-0 lead in the first on Mark McGwire's sacrifice fly.

Greg Hibbard, 10-7, allowed one unearned run over seven innings for the win and Bobby Thigpen pitched the ninth to earn his major league-leading 41st save.

--- AROUND THE AL ---

Elsewhere Tuesday night in the American League, New York nipped Toronto 3-2, Detroit dropped California 6-2, Milwaukee edged Cleveland 6-5, Baltimore dumped Boston 9-5, Seattle sank Texas 4-3 and Kansas City clipped Minnesota 8-7.

Yankees 3, Blue Jays 2

At New York, Chuck Cary hurled a five-hitter over seven innings and Roberto Kelly collected three hits and stole two bases to lead New York to its fifth straight win. Cary, 5-8, gained his first win since June 19 and Lee Guetterman earned his second save. Toronto's John Candelaria fell to 7-6.

Tigers 6, Angels 2

At Detroit, Lloyd Moseby drove in four runs with a bases-loaded triple and a solo home run to power the Tigers. Dan Petry, 10-9, gave up four hits over five innings and Edwin Nunez worked 2 1-3 innings to earn his fourth save. Joe Grahe, 0-1, making his second major-league start, suffered the loss.

Brewers 6, Indians 5

At Milwaukee, pinch-hitter Greg Brock singled home Darryl Hamilton with one out in the ninth inning for Milwaukee. Hamilton opened with a single off Colby Ward, 1-1, stole second and moved to third on a sacrifice. Brock hit a ball over the heads of the drawn-in Cleveland outfield to make a winner of Dan Plesac, 3-5.

Orioles 9, Red Sox 5

At Boston, Joe Orsulak stroked a two-run single to highlight a four-run first inning and the Orioles went on to score nine times in the first three innings. John Mitchell, 6-5, gained the win and Gregg Olson recorded the final two outs for his 29th save. Boston's Dana Kiecker, 4-6, did not retire a batter.

Mariners 4, Rangers 3

At Arlington, Texas, Tino Martinez stroked three hits and drove in the first two runs of his major-league career for Seattle. Randy Johnson, 12-7 won his third straight start and Mike Schooler garnered his 30th save. Charlie Hough, 10-9, took the loss.

Royals 8, Twins 7

At Kansas City, Mo., Willie Wilson and Jim Eisenreich singled home two runs each to lift Kansas City. Steve Crawford, 5-2, got the victory in relief and Jeff Montgomery hurled two innings for his 18th save. Minnesota starter Paul Abbott, 0-1, lasted only three-plus innings.

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#90234u0293 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - The United States shrugged off Iraq's latest offer to negotiate a settlement to the Persian Gulf crisis, saying talks could only begin once Baghdad acknowledges world opinion and withdraws its forces from occupied Kuwait.

Iraqi statements Tuesday by President Saddam Hussein and Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz ranged from a willingness to discuss ''the whole situation'' in the Middle East to threats of a U.S. military defeat should fighting erupt between Iraqi forces and the nearly 50,000 American troops deployed on Saudi soil.

The White House said it had little to talk about with the Baghdad leadership until it releases Western hostages it is holding at strategic Iraqi locations as human shields against a potential U.S. attack, hostages Iraq insists on calling ''guests.''

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater described the latest statements from Saddam and Aziz as ''much of the same rhetoric that we've heard before and a kind of daily litany from Iraq.''

''Sure, we're willing to talk with Iraq but only within the context of compliance with the U.N. resolution (condemning Iraq's invasion of Kuwait) and that is what we look to,'' he said.

''The world is united in demanding that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait,'' Fitzwater said. ''And that has not changed one iota by these comments.''

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, who has made numerous attempts to find an ''Arab solution'' to the crisis, made an impassioned call for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait ''in these critical hours.''

Mubarak, who has sent Egyptian troops to Saudi Arabia as part of an Arab force, said he was confident Saddam would respond ''for the benefit of the supreme Arab interests.''

Despite mounting world condemnation of Iraq's actions, the U.N. Security Council had yet to approve a U.S.-backed resolution that would authorize use of ''minimum force'' to enforce U.N. economic sanctions against Baghdad, imposed after Iraq invaded neighboring Kuwait Aug. 2 in a land and oil dispute.

Security Council members met informally Tuesday, but some diplomats said there was resistance to the U.S.-sponsored resolution.

Fitzwater said U.S. warships were tracking several Iraqi oil tankers and supply ships in the Middle East.

The United States and Britain have ordered their vessels to intercept Iraqi shipping. Saturday, U.S. ships fired shots over the bows of two Iraqi tankers moving out of the gulf, but the tankers did not stop.

The Washington Post, citing oil industry sources, reported Wednesday that the 36,330-ton tanker Ain Zalah unloaded at the Yemeni port city of Aden near the tip of the Arabian Peninsula, but the Iraqi ship's cargo was not immediately known.

The Post also reported that its sources said two more Iraqi tankers were waiting offshore, including the Baba Karkar, one of the two vessels that drew U.S. warning shots Saturday.

Reports from foreign offices indicated at least 214 Britons, Americans, French and West Germans had been rounded up by Iraqi authorities and moved to undisclosed locations. Iraq has said citizens of ''aggressive nations'' would be kept at military and other key installations in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

In London Wednesday, British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said 10 Britons have been taken from the homes in Kuwait by Iraqi soldiers.

Fitzwater said 18 dependents of U.S. diplomats got out of Iraq Monday night, ''and we are thankful for that.'' But he said 54 Americans were still unaccounted for, 13 in Kuwait and 41 in Iraq.

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#90234u0300 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (AUG. 22) UPI - Typhoon Yancy cut a swath across part of southeast coastal China, killing at least 54 people and damaging homes and sea walls, the state-run press reported Wednesday.

The typhoon's high winds and rain caused more than $30 million in damage, destroying homes, dikes, and sea walls in parts of Fujian and Zhejiang Provinces, where it swept across beginning Monday morning, the semi-official China News Service reported.

CNS said at least 54 people were reported to have died in the wind and flooding and at least 300 homes had collapsed.

More than 100,000 acres in Fuqing County and surrounding areas were flooded, according to initial reports.

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#90234u0317 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AUG. 22) UPI - An American horticulturist who had been laying gardens for the toppled emir of Kuwait escaped from the occupied nation wearing Arab dress as a disguise, evading Iraqi soldiers who were planning house-to-house searches for foreigners.

Edward F. Daley, 58, of Houston, said he and four other foreigners were among 15 people who escaped across the desert frontier Tuesday into Saudi Arabia.

He refused to give precise details of how the journey was made, saying he did not wish to jeopardize the chances of others who may want to flee.

Daley was brought to a banquet being given by a Saudi prince and was still wearing traditional Arab clothes donned for the harrowing 6-hour journey.

He said he had not experienced any mistreatment by Iraqi soliders, but reported they had done a lot of looting since they invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

''I don't want to be down on a whole group, but there are always rotten eggs, and in this group there were a lot of rotten eggs,'' Daley said.

Daley said he was told Iraqi soldiers planned to start searching all houses in Kuwait for foreigners, who would then been shipped to Baghdad.

Roadblocks had also been erected to apprehend foreigners, and an American colleague of Daley's, Paul Brown, who had been staying at a Kuwait City hotel, was transported to Baghdad, Daley said.

Others found trying to escape had been dispatched to the Iraqi capital, he said.

''Somebody else made the arrangements and I just went along,'' Daley said of his journey, in which he was accompanied by a Briton, a Greek, a Portuguese and a Filipino.

''When I was told they were going to start house-to-house searches, I knew it was time to go,'' said the silver-bearded Daley. ''I don't want to tell you how chicken I was. I was terrified. It was very high risk.''

Daley said the car he arrived in had one bullet hole but he would not explain the shooting encounter, apparently with Iraqi soldiers.

The U.S. Embassy in Kuwait City has advised all Americans to stay put, a policy Daley endorsed because he said that while escaping had worked for him, it may be too dangerous for others.

He said there were food shortages, but water and electricity was still operating in Kuwait City.

Daley was unsure what to do when the invasion began. For two days he showed up for his work as a horticulturist on a one-year contract to design gardens for the court of the toppled emir.

He now plans to return home to his wife, Dorothy, to celebrate their 35th wedding anniversary next month.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

Batting

(Minimum 310 at-bats)

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	369	86	120	.325
Palmeiro, Tex	454	56	145	.319
Griffey, Sea	476	73	149	.313
Brett, KC	423	67	132	.312
Trammell, Det	452	59	140	.310
Harper, Min	372	51	115	.309
Boggs, Bos	467	66	144	.308
EMartinez, Sea	400	57	123	.308
Quintana, Bos	368	42	113	.307
JoReed, Bos	440	56	135	.307

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	442	88	152	.344
Magadan, NY	320	54	108	.338
McGee, StL	480	71	161	.335
Dawson, Chi	394	51	126	.320
Gwynn, SD	487	68	154	.316
Murray, LA	411	68	128	.311
Bonds, Pit	393	83	122	.310
Grace, Chi	444	51	137	.309
Sandberg, Chi	484	91	148	.306
Wallach, Mtl	469	51	143	.305

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 39; Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 32; McGriff, Tor 28; Deer, Mil 24.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 29; Strawberry, NY and Bonilla, Pit 28; Mitchell, SF 27; Bonds, Pit and Williams, SF 24.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 99; Canseco and McGwire, Oak 84; Gruber, Tor 83; Sierra, Tex and Bell, Tor 77.

National League - Carter, SD 96; Williams, SF 93; Bonds, Pit 90; Bonilla, Pit 85; Strawberry, NY 79.

Doubles

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos 38; Puckett, Min 35; Boggs, Bos 34; Calderon, Chi, Brett, KC and Harper, Min 33.

National League - Jefferies, NY 33; Wallach, Mtl and Dykstra, Phi 32; Johnson, NY 31; Bonilla, Pit and McGee StL 30.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 16; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos, Johnson, Chi and Pettis, Tex 7.

National League - Duncan, Cin 9; Smith, Atl and Coleman, StL 8; Thompson, StL and Gwynn, SD 7.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 50; Sax, NY 30; Calderon, Chi and Kelly NY 29; Pettis, Tex 28.

National League - Coleman, Stl 69; Yelding, Hou 48; Bonds, Pit 43; Nixon, Mtl 39; Raines, Mtl and Butler, SF 36.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 86; Fielder, Det 80; Yount, Mil and McGriff, Tor 77; Seitzer, KC, Puckett, Min and Griffey, Sea 73.

National League - Bonilla, Pit 95; Sandberg, Chi 91; Dykstra, Phi 88; Sabo Cin and Bonds, Pit 83.

Hits

American League - Griffey, Sea 149; Palmeiro, Tex 145; Boggs, Bos 144; Trammell, Det and Kelly, NY 140.

National League - McGee, StL 161; Gwynn, SD 154; Dykstra, Phi 152; Sandberg, Chi 148; Alomar, SD 146.

Pitching

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 20; Clemens, Bos 18; Stewart, Oak 17; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 16.

National League - Drabek, Pit 16; Martinez, LA and Viola, NY 15; Gooden, NY 13; Harkey, Chi and Armstrong and Browning, Cin 12.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 100 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 2.04; Finley, Cal 2.24; Stewart, Oak 2.57; Steib, Tor 2.99; Hibbard, Chi 2.99.

National League - Whitson, SD 2.41; Tudor, Stl 2.45; Viola, NY 2.79; Drabek, Pit 2.82; De.Martinez, Mtl 2.85.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 183; Ryan and Witt, Tex 165; Hanson, Sea 155; Johnson, Sea 152.

National League - Martinez, LA 183; Cone, NY 165; Gooden, NY 155; DeLeon, StL, 137; De.Martinez, Mtl 136.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi 41; Eckersley, Oak 38; Jones, Cle 33; Schooler, Sea 30; Olson, Bal 29.

National League - Franco, NY 28; Myers, Cin 24; L.Smith, StL 21; Smith, Hou and Lefferts, SD 20.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 8; Morris, Det, Young, Sea and Brown, Tex 6; Clemens, Bos, Finley, Cal, Saber- hagen, KC and Leary, NY 5.

National League - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA, De.Martinez, Mtl and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl, Maddux, Chi, Belcher, LA, Drabek, Pit and Hurst and Whitson, SD 5.

Shutouts

American League - Clemens, Bos and Stewart, Oak 3; Eleven pitchers tied with 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3; Thirteen players tied with 2.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... U-P-I brings you the world, next:

Defense Secretary Cheney reports to President Bush today in Kennebunkport, Maine, on his four-day tour of the Middle East. At the end of his six-nation trip, Cheney said the United States plans to speed arms sales and deliveries to Saudi Arabia. Cheney also says he found the morale of American soldiers in Saudi Arabia ''excellent.''

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says he's NOT spoiling for a fight with the United States in the Persian Gulf... but isN'T shying away from one. U-S spy satellites spotted what appears to be Iraqi ground-to-ground Scud missiles deployed in occupied Kuwait. The missiles can carry chemical weapons payloads.

Arab-Americans say anti-Arab sentiment is growing in the United States in the wake of the Persian Gulf crisis. The executive director of the National Association of Arab-Americans says he's afraid that Arabs are replacing Russians as the enemy in the minds of Americans.

Police in the Philippines say suspected rebels today detonated bombs outside a McDonalds restaurant and two other places in Manila. NO injuries were reported. At least 18 bombs have rocked the Philippine capital over the past six weeks as rebels seek the ouster of President Aquino.

Corrections officials in New York City report an hour-long clash last night between guards and inmates at the Rikers Island jail after the stabbing of an inmate. 24 correction officers and nine inmates were treated for wounds. The latest violence comes a week after a riot at the prison injured 162 people.

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#90234u0344 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 22) UPI - Scientists have lost contract with the Magellan Venus probe for the second time. A spokesman for the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, says contact with the orbiter was lost last night. He says the radar-mapper could have entered another protective ''safe mode'' as it did last Thursday.

The F-B-I told a Senate committee yesterday that Asian organized crime groups have replaced the Mafia as principal suppliers of heroin in the United States. Agents told the Senate Judiciary Committee that Asian gang activity threatens the United States with a new drug epidemic.

East Germany's political leadership has agreed that German unification will take place in less than two months- on October 14th. But hours after the announcement, the leader of the East German Social Democratic Party submitted his resignation. The move does NOT appear to jeopardize the agreement.

Three researchers say in separate articles that injecting cows with bovine growth hormone poses NO risk to humans or to cows. The scientists say the Food and Drug Administration should approve the drug for commercial use. Opponents insist research has NOT proven that the hormone has NO effect on humans.

New York City police have arrested a 50-year-old former butcher who's been a fugitive for the last 14 years. Fred Weldon is wanted for the slaying of his wife... whose torso was found in an East Harlem Park in December 1976. Weldon was a suspect in the case, but he fled the country before charges were pressed.

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#90234u0560 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 22) UPI - Investors sliced 4 percent off the value of stocks Wednesday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange in trading that was gripped by twin fears of a Middle East war and higher domestic interest rates.

The market's leading indictor, the 225-share Nikkei Average, plummeted 1,086.93 points - or 4.1 percent - to 25,210.91. It was the Nikkei's lowest close of the year and a level not seen since the spring of 1988.

The loss also stretched the market's plunge to five straight sessions. The Nikkei slipped 192.63 points Tuesday.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares, which fell 13.63 points Tuesday, dropped another 69.52 points to 1,939.83.

Volume was up, as an estimated 360 million shares changed hands, compared

with 283.89 million shares Tuesday.

Declines overpowered advances 986 to only 34, while 38 issues managed to escape the selloff.

The market suffered most of its loss in the first two hours of trading, as the Nikkei nosedived 1,018.87 points.

Analysts said the market started off depressed by Tuesday's 52.48-point plunge on Wall Street and fell further on rumors of a shooting incident in the skies over Iraq.

The rumors were apparently false, but an increasingly tense situation in the Middle East continued to punish stock prices.

The market was also hurt by a continuing expectation that Japan's official discount rate will be boosted next month by the Bank of Japan.

Analysts noted that at one point during the afternoon, the Nikkei fell below the 25,000 level to a low of 24,844.51, but recovered partially on bargain hunting.

The rise in volume reflected some institutional selling, as investors became spooked by prospects of war with Iraq, dealers said.

''Until now, many investors were staying on the sidelines, watching Middle East developments, but today we saw them dump shares,'' said one local Japanese broker.

The growing interest-rate pressure was indicated by bond yields, which jumped again to 8.11 percent for the benchmark government bond.

Stock market losses were again broad-based, with issues that had previously resisted the slump joining their unhappy kindred.

High-priced tech issues were among the many victims of the selloff.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks tumbled 2.9 percent in moderate trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchnage as investors were disturbed by ongoing tension in the Middle East.

The blue-chip Hang Seng Index, which eased 12.84 points Tuesday, plummented 85.07 points to 2,954.93 - its lowest close since late May. The broader-based Hong Kong Index fell 56.77 points to 1,942.05.

Among the narrower indexes, financials lost 49.94 points, oil sensative utilities plunged 113.64, industrials shed 86.04 and interest related properties dove 116.83 points.

Volume remained light as an estimated 1 billion shares changed hands, up from 718 million shares Tuesday.

''Everybody wants to unload their stocks because people are afraid of war breaking out in the Middle East,'' said Albert Leung, an analyst with ChinTung Investments.

Brokers said heavy losses on Tokyo's stock market and an announcement that Hong Kong gasoline prices would rise about 20 cents a gallon because of the Middle East crisis sharpened the fall.

World stock markets tumbled in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2 and an escalation of tension between Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and the West has derailed any serious comeback attempts.

The Hang Seng Index has shed about 15 percent of its value since the military action began.

Issues began falling from the opening bell, diving nearly 60 points.

The losses stabilized by midday, and a late afternoon rally, managed to pull prices off their lows.

In Singapore, stock prices tumbled across-the-board in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange as heightened tensions in the Gulf dampened investors' confidence.

The closely-watched Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 31.82 points Tuesday, tumbled another 66.88 points to 1,182.02. The narrower All Singapore Index dropped 21.42 points or 6 percent to 336.41.

An estimated 92 million shares chnaged hands, compared with 63 million shares Tuesday.

Singapore has been one of the worst hit markets in Southeast Asia since the start of the Gulf crisis, with the key baromer dropping more than 20 percent since the beginning of the month.

Analysts said Wednesday's freefall resulted from a barrage of sellers as a result of the uncertainty in the Middle East and the decline on other Asian markets.

The market's sustained losses also are expected to generate increased sales by investors who purchased shares on margin, analysts added said.

On the trading floor, Malaysian Pacific Industries paced the declining issues followed by Singapore Airlines and the Development Bank of

Singapore.

Sunshine Amalgamated paced the few and scattered gainers along with Tong Meng and Pacific Holdings.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stock prices on the Thailand Stock Exchange plunged more than 8 percent continuing the drastic decline that began when Iraq invaded Kuwait.

The key Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) Index, plunged 74.93 points or more than 8 percent to 795.40.

The SET Index has fallen more than 300 points since the Iraqi invasion 20 days ago, losing nearly 30 percent of its value.

Declines overwhelmed advances, 178 to only two as the downward trend affected all sectors of the market.

An estimated 2 billion shares changed hands slightly higher than the revised 1.6 billion shares on Tuesday.

''Investors are reacting not only to the increasingly tension in the Middle East, but also to the falls on Wall Street and Tokyo,'' Puangkaew Tangchootongchai, a local analyst, said.

News of an expected reshuffle of the Thailand cabinet also sent prices lower, analysts added.

Allegations of corruption brought the arrest of one cabinet minister and the resignation of the leader of the second-largest party in the government coalition.

Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan said he expected to reshuffle his six-party coalition after a vote on the budget due in mid-September.

In Manila, stock prices closed broadly lower in light trading on the Manila Stock Exchange.

The Manila Composite Stock Index of 25 selected issues plunged 55.06 points to 732.07.

Analysts said the market suffered from selling pressure from the opening bell following the plunge in Tokyo.

In Taiwan, stock prices continued to decline on the Taiwan Stock Exchange.

The closely-watched Taipei Weighted Index, which tumbled 227.91 points Tuesday, fell another 142.97 points to 3,405.31 - its lowest close in 28

months.

Analysts said prices fell from the opening bell as large investors remained sidelined, worried over the Middle East.

Some late bargin-hunting lifted prices from their midday lows, market watchers said.

In Australia, stock closed lower in moderate trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The blue-chip All Ordinaries Index, gained 14.8 points Tuesday, shed 22.8 points to 1,530.2.

An estimated 114 million shares chnaged hands, compared with 93.2 million shares Tuesday.

Analysts said the market succumbed to collapsing world markets and disappoinment Australia's Treasurer Paul Keating's $8.1 billion surplus budget will not speed up interest rate cuts.

On the trading floor, oil and related issues ended higher.

BHP Oil climbed 15 cents to $11.40 in the wake of the government's decision to abandon its policy of taxing oil companies according to production, making profits the new taxation benchmark.

The new resource rent tax is estimated to save BHP at least $270 million, analysts said.

Santos Oil climbed 16 cents to $5.18.

Banking stocks fell following the government's ruling on pensioner savings held in non-interest bearing deposits. Pensioners will be deemed to be earning interest of 10 percent on such deposits.

This change means that pensioners are likely to shift their savings to accounts yielding market interest rates.

In the banking sector, Westpac Bank dropped 16 cents to $4.66, NAB Bank lost 16 cents to $4.66 and ANZ Bank fell 13 cents to $4.54.

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#90234u0566 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney reports to President Bush today on the situation in the Persian Gulf after his four-day visit to the region. Cheney told reporters Arab governments have expressed a

willingness to share the costs of Operation Desert Shield. The Pentagon estimates the cost of deploying U-S troops in the Persian Gulf will be one-point-two BILLION dollars through the end of September.

The world economic markets continue to stagger from the Persian Gulf crisis. In Tokyo, the key Nikkei average plummeted more than one-thousand yen or slightly more than four percent. It's the Nikkei's lowest close of the year and a level NOT seen since the spring of 1988.

NASA may be snakebitten again. Space agency engineers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, have lost contact with the Magellan space probe that's currently orbiting Venus on a radar-mapping mission. It's the second loss of contact with Magellan in a week. NASA's shuttle program has suffered repeated delays... and the Hubble Space Telescope has mirror defects.

Philippine military officials say six truckloads of soldiers from outlying camps entered Manila today to reinforce about 16-thousand police and constabulary forces. Suspected communist rebels detonated bombs at three locations in the capital early today continuing efforts to oust President Aquino. Police say NO one was injured in the explosions.

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#90234u0569 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - Wyoming held its primary election yesterday. Republican incumbent Senator Alan Simpson, Representative Craig Thomas and Governor Mike Sullivan all easily won their party's nominations for re-election. 32-year-old political newcomer Kathy Helling will face Simpson in the November general election. She won the Democratic Senate nomination with about 35 percent of the vote.

A newspaper in Brockton, Massachusetts, says it will NOT stop printing the names of people arrested for soliciting prostitutes. A man committed suicide last week after being convicted of soliciting a prostitute and seeing his name published in the paper. The paper resumed printing the names after police initiated a get-tough policy with prostitutes.

Actress Connie Sellecca has filed a lawsuit against Columbia Pictures Television and producer Edward Weinberger for firing her from the upcoming television series, ''Baby Talk.'' The one-point-five-Million-dollar suit alleges breach of contract, fraud, conspiracy and intentional infliction of emotional distress. The series is scheduled to debut on network television this fall.

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#90234u0645 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - The United States flatly rejects Iraq's latest offer to negotiate a settlement to the Persian Gulf crisis. The White House says there will be NO discussions until Baghdad releases Western hostages and leaves Kuwait.

In Beijing, Kuwait's exiled foreign minister says he's won China's assurance it will NOT block a U-S-proposed U-N resolution authorizing the use of military force to back up the international embargo of Iraq.

And Japan reportedly is nearing a landmark decision to send personnel to assist the U-S-led multi-national force confronting Iraq. Sources close to the situation say the personnel would be NON-combatants such as medical teams.

In South Africa, officials say at least 30 civilians and a police officer were killed in overnight battles between factions in black townships near Johannesburg. The latest violence pushes the casualty toll to 444 dead.

NASA technicians at the Jet Propulsion Lab in Pasadena, California, are hoping that the Magellan Venus probe has lapsed into another hibernation. The scientists again have lost contact with Magellan, which is orbiting Venus.

New York City police say a three-year-old girl was critically wounded by a stray bullet fired during a quarrel between two groups of teen-agers. The girl was walking with her mother in Brookyln last night on the way to see friends.

The American Civil Liberties Union filed a complaint with the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission yesterday. It says 11 Philadelphia area dentists have discriminated against AIDS patients.

Jury selection began yesterday in Los Angeles in the trial of a former major independent music promoter and two of his business associates. The men are charged in a cash-and-cocaine ''payola'' scam to get radio air play for records.

The General Accounting Office says cotton marketing loan has NOT worked as well as its creators hoped and needs some changes. The program was set up in 1985 in an effort to bolster U-S farm exports.

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#90234u0673 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

BANNISTER, Mich. (AUG. 22) UPI - Eight people were killed when a motorist apparently ignored a stop sign at a rural intersection and slammed into another car, police said Wednesday.

Deputies said a westbound vehicle apparently ran a stop sign Tuesday night and crashed broadside into a northbound vehicle, killing eight of the nine people in the two cars.

The ninth person, described only as a young girl, was in critical condition Wednesday morning at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing.

Names of the victims were withheld Wednesday until relatives were notified.

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#90234u0686 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 22) UPI - Stock prices were higher in light trading at midday Wednesday on the London International Stock Exchange as investors shrugged off disappointing British trade news and went on a buying binge.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which tumbled 48.5 points Tuesday, rebounded 16.6 points to 2,124.7. The narrower top 30 industrial average was ahead 25.6 points to 1,641.3.

Volume amounted to around 198 million shares compared with 237 million shares traded during the same period Tuesday.

Analysts said the advance was largely due to bargain-hunting and technical factors. Traders said investors ignored news of a $2.50 billion British current account deficit for July which was slightly higher than analysts had expected.

Additionally investors ignored a Central Statistical Office report showing Britain's real gross domestic product, measured by the output of goods and services, rising 0.9 percent in the second quarter from the first quarter.

Among the most widely traded stocks, oil stocks eased slightly. British Petroleum eased seven cents to $6.53 and Shell Transport and Trading slipped seven cents to $8.64.

Elsewhere, Imperial Chemical Industries gained 14 cents to $16.36 and Barclays Bank PLC added two cents to $6.21.

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#90234u0704 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 22) UPI - Nearly 200 Soviet military specialists are still working with the Iraqi army in training and maintenance capacities despite Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, a military spokesman said Wednesday.

Col. Valintin Ogortsov told reporters that the 193 Soviet military experts in Iraq were not advising the Iraqi army on military operations but still

were carrying out their ''contractual obligations'' to train Iraqis to use Soviet supplied weapons.

The Soviet Union cut off all military supplies to Iraq after it invaded Kuwait and joined the United Nations in condemning the Iraqi agression but Ogortsov said the question of the military specialists already in the country was a complicated one.

''There are processes that are not very easy to stop,'' he said. ''We are under certain obligations.''

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#90234u0725 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - Italy has received word from Iraq that citizens of seven European nations are free to leave Kuwait. The Italian Foreign Ministry says Iraq told the Italian ambassador in Kuwait that citizens of Italy... Belgium... Holland... Spain... Greece... Denmark... and Ireland will leave Kuwait for Jordan or Turkey through Iraq.

Defense Secretary Cheney will have some good news for PresidentBush today when he briefs the president on the Persian Gulf situation at his summer home in Maine. Cheney received assurances from Arab governments that they'll help pay for stationing U-S troops in the Gulf region. He says the morale of U-S troops is high.

Police in New York City have arrested a 15-year-old boy in connection with the shooting of a three-year-old girl as she walked with her mother on a Brooklyn street. The girl is in critical condition after undergoing surgery at Brookdale Hospital. Officials say she's expected to live.

Utility crews in Houston are working to restore electrical power to some 82-thousand Texas homes left in the dark when a severe storm downed power lines last night. Forecasters reported a wind gust of 72 miles an hour in Princeton, near Dallas.

The State Department says the U-S invasion of Panama has failed to put a dent in the thriving Panamanian drug trafficking business. One stated reason for the December invasion of Panama and the seizure of Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega was his active involvement in the drug trade.

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#90234u0730 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - Yesterday was the 22nd anniversary of the Soviet-led invasion of Czechoslovakia. In Prague, a Soviet T-55 tank was sybmolically flipped onto its side in Wenceslas Square to kick off the first officially sanctioned commemoration of the 1968 Warsaw Pact invasion.

A field of 18 teams from across the nation begin the 1990 National Beepball World Series today in Chicago. A beepball is a 16-inch softball with a beeping device inside so that the players... who are blind... can track down the ball in the field. The six-inning game is similar to baseball.

A court-appointed psychiatrist testifed yesterday in New York City that a man accused of beating his girlfriend to death is mentally incapable of standing trial. 29-year-old David Rakowitz also is accused of dismembering his victim and boiling parts of her body in a pot on the kitchen stove.

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#90234u0751 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	84	63	....
Anchorage pc	64	48	....
Asheville ts	88	65	4.55
Atlanta pc	97	72	....
Baltimore r	71	65	.55
Billings pc	86	58	....
Birmingham pc	97	71	.03
Bismarck pc	84	65	....
Boston pc	69	59	....
Brownsville pc	94	76	.05
Buffalo pc	72	62	....
Burlington Vt. sy	77	56	....
Charleston S.C.cy	88	78	.16
Charlotte ts	90	70	.12
Chicago pc	71	67	.05
Cincinnati cy	85	71	1.71
Cleveland cy	69	64	....
Columbus Ohio cy	81	68	.10
Dallas sy	104	72	....
Denver pc	87	62	....
Des Moines cy	77	67	....
Detroit cy	71	65	.01
Duluth pc	70	43	....
El Paso pc	78	68	.16
Evansville cy	87	70	....
Fargo pc	73	62	....
Hartford pc	72	63	....
Honolulu sy	91	76	....
Houston pc	100	72	....
Indianapolis cy	84	69	....

Jackson Miss. pc	101	74	....
Jacksonville pc	96	74	....
Kansas City pc	86	67	....
Las Vegas sy	96	70	....
Little Rock sy	95	74	....
Los Angeles f	75	64	....
Louisville cy	89	73	1.65
Memphis sy	95	77	....
Miami Beach sy	90	82	....
Milwaukee pc	68	65	.01
Minneapolis pc	78	59	....
Nashville pc	100	74	....
New Orleans pc	93	71	....
New York cy	69	65	.07
Oklahoma City sy	98	74	....
Omaha pc	83	67	....
Orlando pc	93	77	.07
Philadelphia r	68	65	.55
Phoenix sy	102	78	....
Pittsburgh ts	67	62	.23
Portland Me. sy	67	48	....
Portland Ore. cy	69	63	.18
Providence pc	73	62	....
Richmond sh	70	66	.07
St. Louis pc	79	70	....
Salt Lake City pc	82	58	....
San Antonio pc	97	78	....
San Diego f	77	65	....
San Francisco pc	71	58	....
San Juan pc	89	76	.04
Seattle cy	65	61	.11
Spokane pc	65	57	.74
Tampa pc	93	76	.56
Washington r	72	66	.07
Wichita pc	94	73	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow

sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90234u0768 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 22) UPI - Blacks involved in factional fighting attacked police with automatic weapons, fire and gasoline bombs in the township of Vosloorus outside Johannesburg Wednesday as the death toll rose to nearly 500 in 10 days of bloodshed.

And in Soweto, the nation's largest black city and scene of some of the worst violence, one officer was killed and another wounded when an unknown attacker tossed a hand grenade before dawn into a police patrol vehicle, Police spokesman Lt. Ida van Zweel said.

Police struggled again Wednesday to keep the warring factions apart in Vosloorus and other townships surrounding Johannesburg and came under increasing attacks themselves, state-run radio reported. Mobs set fire to the town council offices in the township of Kagiso.

State-run radio put the death toll at 492 at midday Wednesday after the discovery of the bodies of 37 blacks killed overnight in Vosloorus.

It said 348 people had died in townships to the east of Johannesburg, 122 in Soweto to the south and the remainder in townships to the west, including Kagiso, where at least 19 died.

More than 1,450 people have been wounded in the factional violence, which entered its 10th day Wednesday between Zulu followers of the Inkatha movement and mainly Xhosas backing the arch-rival black alliance, the African National Congress.

In Kagiso Wednesday morning, police halted a large group of youths, apparently ANC supporters, from moving on a hostel filled with migrant workers aligned with Inkatha.

Police fired teargas to disperse the youths, armed with gasoline bombs and other homemade weapons, but they regrouped. Zulus at the hostel took up positions outside and armed themselves with spears, clubs and other weapons.

State-run radio reported police in Vosloorus ''coming under increasing petrol-bomb attacks and automatic gunfire in the area'' and said a mob in Kagiso had set the town council offices on fire.

Inkatha President Mangosuthu Buthelezi and military ruler of the nominally self-governing Xhosa tribal territory of the Transkei, Maj. Gen. Bantu Holomisa, met each other and President Frederik de Klerk Tuesday to discuss ways to end the killings.

But their talks yielded no immediate results or firm strategies. Instead, each black leader later hinted the other bore blame for the conflict despite a joint statement issued by them and Foreign Minister Pik Botha, noting, ''This is not the time ... to apportion blame'' and urging all leaders to put aside their differences.

The ANC, with which Holomisa has close links, has accused Buthelezi of exporting the violence from his stronghold in the Indian Ocean province of Natal to consolidate his leadership position and undermine the ANC ahead of power-sharing talks with Pretoria over a post-apartheid constitution.

The Natal battles between Inkatha and the ANC have left nearly 4,000 people dead since erupting in 1987.

ANC leader Nelson Mandela's aides have consistently rejected a face-to-face meeting between Mandela and the Zulu chief, charging Buthelezi ignited the latest strife, the worst suburban internecine strife in 42 years of white minority rule, and could end it if he desired.

Buthelezi rejects the allegations, but his stock among anti-apartheid alliances has reached an all-time low.

Buthelezi's long-standing cordial relations with Pretoria have also inflamed feeling against him. Whites have favored the Zulu chief as a moderate black leader for his opposition to economic sanctions and to the ANC's guerrilla war, suspended this month after 29 years to help clear the way to full-blown power-sharing negotiations.

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#90234u0818 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - President Bush is expected to call-up military reservists today to complement U-S troops now stationed in the Persian Gulf. The announcement that he's activating some reservists may come after a mid-day briefing on the Middle East with Defense Secretary Cheney and General Colin Powell at the president's vacation home in Kennebunkport, Maine. White House officials are NOT saying how many reservists will be activated.

U-N envoys are scheduled to meet today in Baghdad with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz. They reportedly will call for the release of thousands of foreign nationals held against their wills in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. Sources in Kuwait's government-in-exile says Iraqi

troops are forcing Kuwaitis to reveal the whereabouts of foreigners in their country.

Reports indicate at least 214 Britons, Americans, French and West Germans have been rounded up by Iraqi troops and taken to undisclosed locations. The White House says 54 Americans are still unaccounted for in Kuwait and Iraq... but 18 dependents of U-S diplomats got out of Iraq Monday night. China has accelerated its emergency evacuation of nearly 10-thousand Chinese workers.

Fighting among black factions is growing in South Africa. Reports say police came under petrol bomb attacks and exchanged fire with gunmen in a black township outside Johannesburg. Officials say today's fighting left 37 people dead... pushing the death toll to nearly 500 in 10 days. Police who are struggling to keep the warring Zulu and African National Congress factions apart are increasingly coming under attack themselves.

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#90234u0821 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $408.60, silver base of $5.11 and platinum price of $498.60:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$425.30	431.20
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	218.10	221.10
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	111.80	113.50
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	46.20	46.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	425.30	431.20
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	218.10	221.10
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	112.40	114.00
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	46.20	46.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	432.20	438.20
China Panda .50 troy oz.	222.60	225.70
China Panda .25 troy oz.	115.50	117.10
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	49.90	50.60
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	29.80	30.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	425.30	431.10
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	217.40	220.40
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	109.70	111.20
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	47.20	47.80
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	422.70	429.30
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	218.50	221.90
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	112.10	113.80
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	47.60	46.30
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	424.20	429.30
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	218.10	220.70

Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	92.30	99.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	48.30	48.90
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.40	24.60

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.52	$6.60
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,670	$3,720
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,575	$1,600

Platinum		
Australian Koala	524.00	529.00
Isle of Man Noble	512.00	517.00
Canada Maple Leaf	529.00	534.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90234u0824 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - The Israeli Cabinet's Defense Committee is putting off a decision on the emergency distribution of gas masks in case of an Iraqi chemical weapons attack on the Jewish state. Foreign Minister David Levy issued a public call on Sunday for immediate distribution of gas masks. The Defense Ministry reportedly said there was NO need for immediate distribution of the masks.

Police in Bannister, Michigan, say eight people were killed last night in a two-car traffic accident at a rural intersection. Deputies say one vehicle apparently ran a stop sign and crashed broadside into the other car... killing eight of the nine people in the two vehicles. Names of the victims were being withheld this morning, pending notification of relatives.

There's renewed uncertainty over the date of German unification. East Germany's Social Democratic Party reversed a decision to support a proposed October 14th merger.... and instead will press for a September 15th date. It's NOT immediately clear whether the October 14th date would come up for debate today in the East German parliament... but it's expected to be approved.

Here's a dirty story with a happy ending. The semi-official Kenya Times

says a man who neglected to bathe for three years met his Waterloo. The report says an exasperated mob pursued him through his home town... tore the clothes from his back... and forcibly washed him in public. The man was set upon by colleagues after he repeatedly declined invitations to mend his smelly ways.

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#90234u0837 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) UPI - Nine of the ten states with the fastest growth in per capita income in 1989 were in the West and the farm belt, the Commerce Department said in a revised report released Wednesday.

Per capita income is defined as the annual total personal income of a state's residents divided by the state's population as of July 1, government economists said.

The department's Bureau of Economic Analysis, in releasing the data updated from earlier this year, said Alaska finished No. 1 in 1989 by growing 12.6 percent in per capita income to $18,483 followed by:

- North Dakota at 9.9 percent to $13,563;
- Hawaii at 9.7 percent to $18,472;
- Montana at 9.4 percent to $14,078;
- South Dakota at 8.6 percent to $13,685;
- Idaho at 8.3 percent to $13,707;
- Iowa at 8.2 percent to $15,487;
- Nevada at 8 percent to $19,269;
- Maine at 8 percent to $16,248;
- Washington state at 7.8 percent to $17,647.

The Commerce Department also said that for the entire United States per capita personal income increased by 6.6 percent in 1989 to $17,596.

In the West, "Alaska, Hawaii, Nevada, and Washington had fast non-farm income growth, mainly in manufacturing, construction, and private service-type industries," the report said. "All except Alaska had fast population growth."

In the farm belt, "North Dakota, Montana, South Dakota, Idaho, and Iowa had fast growth in farm income, mainly reflecting a rebound from the 1988 drought," the report said. "Only Idaho had fast population growth."

"In Maine, strength in farming, shipbuilding, paper production and all major service-type industries contributed to fast per capita income growth " as did an increase in the state's population, the Commerce Department said.

#90234u0847 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
ROME (AUG. 22) UPI - Italy tried Wednesday to confirm an Iraqi promise to the Italian Ambassador in Kuwait that citizens from seven European nations could leave Kuwait via Baghdad amid reports Iraqi officials denied the pledge.

Italian Foreign Ministry sources said they were looking for more information about ''the circumstances, guarantees and ways'' that the Europeans from Belgium, Holland, Spain, Greece, Denmark, Ireland and Italy would be allowed to leave.

But in Brussels, a Belgian foreign ministry spokesman said Iraqi officials denied the promise to Belgium diplomats in Baghdad.

''We received news reports saying that citizens of some countries could leave and decided to check this information,'' said the spokesman. ''We instructed our ambassador in Baghdad to try to get clarification. He was in touch with official Iraqis and they denied that such authorization took place.''

The spokesman also said if some European Community nationals were allowed to leave but others were not, it would mean Iraqi President ''Saddam Hussein is trying to divide the 12 EC countries and that is not in the interest of Belgium or the rest of the Community.''

The Belgian Foreign Ministry said it is in Belgium's interest to maintain a united position on the crisis with other members of the 12-nation EC. EC foreign ministers met Tuesday in Paris and rejected Iraqi demands they close their embassies in Kuwait by Friday in light of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

Late Tuesday, Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti called an informal Iraqi statement to the Italian Ambassador to Kuwait Marco Colombo about the pending release of some Europeans ''beautiful news.''

''The Italians in Kuwait are going to be released. One hopes that this news is the first sign of detente, towards a peaceful solution of the crisis in the Gulf,'' Andreotti said while on vacation in the northern town of Pieve de Cadore.

But during a debate in the Senate Wednesday on the government's decision to send a naval force to the Persian Gulf, Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis said ''the degree of certainty'' of the Iraqi pledge remained to be seen.

De Michelis said he hoped the Europeans would leave for Jordan or Turkey

via Iraq together with families of diplomats who already were scheduled to leave Kuwait Thursday or Friday.

But the foreign minister indicated there is concern in Rome that the Europeans might only be allowed as far as Baghdad.

The situation was ''extremely difficult and complex,'' said the Socialist foreign minister.

The Iraqi authorities indicated the fate of the Europeans would be linked to ''the behavior of the various countries,'' he said.

It was not clear if the Iraqis have taken into account the common line on the Persian Gulf issue adopted Tuesday in Paris by the Western European Union, which pledged to step up support for the U.S.-led foreign forces deployed in the region.

De Michelis said after consulting with European Community counterparts during the night, there would be no change in the decision to keep open the 12 Common Market Embassies in Kuwait City.

About 30 leftist demonstrators gathered outside the Senate to protest the decision to send Italian ships to the gulf.

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#90234u0848 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

MAYNARD, MA (AUG. 22) UPI - Digital Equipment Corp., the country's second-largest computer maker, said it will slash its workforce by as many as 8,000 worldwide with a voluntary severance package to be announced within weeks.

The program will be "less generous" than one that trimmed about 2,600 workers by the end of June, senior vice president of operations John F. Smith said Tuesday.

The cuts will add to sharply rising unemployment in Massachusetts where joblessness recently exceeded the national average for the first time in a decade. Digital, the biggest employer in both Massachusetts and New Hampshire, has 124,000 employees worldwide.

A still undetermined number of facilities also could be closed in the cutback. "Plant shut-downs is another thing we could never say 'never' to " Smith said. However, whether any will be announced with the upcoming severances is "not clear at this time."

Although details of Digital's offer to its employees have not been worked out yet, they will be announced and implemented within the next few weeks

said Smith.

He said estimates of cuts of 5,000 to 7,000 are "in the ballpark," but 8,000 is possible "under certain circumstances. We just can't put a number on it" yet, he said.

The circumstance that would lead to the 8,000 figure, Smith said, is if the U.S. projected gross national product is drastically reduced, something the company currently does not expect.

The earlier severance plan offered employees as much as two years' pay. The upcoming deal will have "less content," Smith said. "This plan will be less generous, but still will be substantial enough to give people the help they need to make the career changes they need."

"Once we take care of this we should be able to manage" any futher reductions in workforce through attrition, Smith said.

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#90234u0875 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	62	16
Amsterdam cy	1pm	70	21
Ankara c	3pm	86	30
Athens c	2pm	91	33
Auckland r	12a	54	12
Beijing c	8pm	77	25
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	65	18
Bonn pc	1pm	67	19
Brussels c	1pm	69	21
Cairo c	2pm	92	33
Casablanca c	12n	77	25
Copenhagen pc	1pm	66	19
Dakar pc	12n	85	30
Dublin cy	1pm	70	21
Geneva c	1pm	69	21
Helsinki r	2pm	60	16
Hong Kong cy	8pm	86	30
Jerusalem c	2pm	83	28
Karachi c	5pm	88	31
Lisbon c	1pm	77	25
London c	1pm	74	24
Madrid pc	1pm	84	29

Malta c	1pm	85	30
Manila r	8pm	80	27
Moscow r	3pm	61	16
Nairobi cy	3pm	66	19
Nassau pc	7am	83	28
New Delhi cy	6pm	80	26
Nice c	1pm	84	29
Oslo cy	1pm	64	18
Paris c	1pm	73	23
Pretoria c	2pm	63	17
Riyadh	3pm	109	43
Rome c	1pm	83	28
Seoul r	9pm	73	23
Sofia pc	2pm	69	21
Stockholm pc	1pm	71	21
Sydney c	10pm	47	08
Taipei r	8pm	81	27
Tokyo c	9pm	84	29
Tunis pc	1pm	96	36
Vienna pc	1pm	62	17
Warsaw pc	1pm	63	17

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	48	09
Caracas cy	8am	72	22
Havana c	7am	78	26
Lima cy	7am	58	15
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	68	20
Santiago fy	8am	33	01

Canada

Calgary pc		78	25
Edmonton pc		82	28
Montreal c		74	23
Ottawa c		74	23
Regina c		84	29
Toronto cy		71	21
Vancouver cy		71	21
Winnipeg cy		86	30

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain

s-snow
w-windy

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TOKYO (AUG. 22) UPI - A Saudi Arabian state-owned oil company notified Japanese companies Wednesday it will suspend exports of oil products to Japan in September, industrial sources said. The decision was reportedly made to free up oil supplies for the U.S.-led multinational military force in Saudi Arabia.

Samarec, a major Saudi Arabian oil refining and marketing firm, issued a notification that it will stop supplying its products, including light oil and jet fuel, from its Jubail refinery in September, the sources said.

A U.S. trader familiar with the Japanese oil market the move was "not a big deal." It does not affect the more than five million barrels of crude exported by Saudi Arabia daily and there are "tons of refining capacity in Japan not being utilized and the Japanese have plenty of crude oil," the U.S. trader said. He estimated Japan has a 150-day supply of crude oil on hand.

The Japanese industrial sources said approximately 40 percent of Japan's light oil import and 13 percent of jet fuel come from Saudi Arabia but it was not immediately clear how much of that came from Samarec, the sources said.

"If the Saudi's export suspension continues a few months, it will cause trouble for Japan's domestic supply of oil products," said one source, who requested anonymity.

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#90234u0892 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
SCRANTON, Pa. (AUG. 22) UPI - A former top aide to U.S. Attorney General Richard Thornburgh pleaded innocent Wednesday to cocaine-related charges.

Henry Barr, 47, of Mechanicsburg entered the plea through lawyer Charles Scarlata during a brief formal arraignment before U.S. District Judge Edwin Kosik. No trial date was set.

A federal grand jury indictment returned Aug. 10 in Harrisburg charged Barr with possession of cocaine, conspiracy to possess and use cocaine and two counts of making false statements to federal officials.

If convicted he could face up to 12 years in prison and a fine of $510,000.

Barr, 47, who was an adviser to Thornburgh at the Justice Department before resigning in May 1989, said nothing during the arraignment. He shrugged off reporters' questions before and after the hearing.

Barr is accused of using cocaine from December 1984 to January 1988 and again in April 1989 when he was employed by the Justice Department. He allegedly lied to federal authorities about his drug use in written and oral statements.

He was implicated by Richard Guida, a former state deputy attorney general who last week pleaded guilty to a felony count of cocaine distribution. Also pleading guilty at the same hearing was Michael Trant, another former deputy attorney general, to a misdemeanor count of cocaine possession.

Barr remained free on his own recognizance.

Kosik gave the defense until Sept. 24 to file pretrial motions after Scarlata asked for a 10-day extension because of vacation plans.

Barr, who now has a private law practice in Mechanicsburg, served as general counsel to Thornburgh while Thornburgh was Pennsylvania's governor. He joined Thornburgh at the Justice Department in September 1988.

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#90234u0896 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - President Bush is expected to call up some military reserves today after a mid-day briefing on the Persian Gulf by Defense Secretary Cheney . The president is authorized to activate up to 200-thousand reservists for six months of duty without congressional approval. The reservists would be primarily medical and support personnel to fill-in for active-duty troops moved to the Gulf region after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The White House says the Pentagon is still working on the number of units being activated. Reports indicate about 40-thousand reservists may be called up today. White House Chief of Staff John Sununu says- quote- ''It's a very surgical, specialized call-up rather than a broad call up.''

A Soviet military spokesman says nearly 200 Soviet military specialists are still in Iraq. But the colonel says they are NOT advising Iraq's army on military operations. The Soviet officer says the specialists are carrying out ''contractual obligations'' to train Iraqis to use and maintain Soviet-supplied weapons. Moscow cut off military aid to Baghdad after it attacked Kuwait.

Two polls show President Bush has the overwhelming support of the American public in sending U-S armed forces to the Middle East. One survey gives

the president's response to the invasion of Kuwait a 75 percent approval rating. 76 percent of 14-hundred people telephoned liked the way President Bush is handling his job. Another poll found 60 percent of those asked support using U-S troops to invade Iraq.

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#90234u0901 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 22) UPI - Britain said Wednesday its trade deficit grew slightly to nearly 1.4 billion pounds, or $2.7 billion, during July as exports fell sharply.

The Central Statistical Office said the value of exports was 8.3 billion pounds, or $16 billion) - 3.5 percent lower than in June - while the value of imports fell two percent to ten billion pounds or $19.2 billion.

The July trade gap, up from June's 1.26 billion pound or $2.4 billion total, may be the first sign that the recent boost in the value of sterling is making British exports less attractive, said David Owen, a U.K. economist with Kleinwort Benson Group.

In July, sterling rose to $1.8590 from $1.7450 at the beginning of the month. In August, sterling has soared to $1.9200, its highest point since 1981. The stronger sterling becomes, the less attractive exports from Britain are because more dollars, yen or deutsche marks are needed to buy British goods.

Analysts said the deficit was higher than forecasted, but not dramatically different from recent trends. "The figures were a bit worse than expected " said Gwynn Hacche, an economist with James Capel Company. "The picture is one of no clear improvement." "I think they were mildly disappointing," said Joe Roseman, an economist with UBS Phillips and Drew.

One encouraging sign, Roseman said, was that export volume was up 9.5 percent in the past three months over the same period in 1989, while while imports rose by two percent, an indication that the gap between the two will narrow.

The latest report brings Britain's trade deficit to more than ten billion pounds for 1990, making it likely that the year's total will far exceed the government's forecast of 15 billion pounds, or $28.8 billion.

Owen predicted that the 1990 trade gap will top last year's deficit of $19.1 billion pounds, or $36.6 billion.

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#90234u0903 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

EAST BERLIN (AUG. 22) UPI - West Germany indicated willingness Wednesday to compromise over the timetable of German unification after the East German Social Democratic Party reversed a decision to support an Oct. 14 merger.

''The federal government considers that any (unification) date which comes soon after Oct. 2 makes sense,'' said government spokesman Hans Klein.

The statement coincided with reports that the East German Christian Democratic Union of Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere suggested unification could take place on Oct. 6.

The East German CDU is the sister-party of West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's CDU. Both have insisted in recent weeks that East Germany should join the West German federal republic on Oct. 14.

The East and West German SPD want unification one month earlier in view of the crippling political and economic crisis in East Germany.

Kohl and de Maiziere argue that unification must come after the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, which is due to be held in New York Oct. 1-2. Agreement on the external aspects of German unification is likely to be formally presented to the CSCE foreign ministers at the meeting.

The unification timetable is to be debated during a three-day parliamentary session. Kohl urged the East German parliamentarians to reach a decision Wednesday, when the session opens.

But de Maiziere, whose government commands 192 parliamentary mandates, might find it difficult to obtain the 266 parliamentary votes needed to set the date of unification.

The SPD has 88 seats in the 400-strong parliament, while the Liberals have 23 and the Party of Democratic Socialism, the renamed communists, 65.

The Liberals broke with the government coalition last month and the SPD followed suit Sunday.

But in a surprise announcement Tuesday, de Maiziere said that parliamentary leaders of all parties had agreed East and West Germany should unify Oct. 14.

Shortly after backing de Maiziere's proposal, SPD parliamentary faction leader Richard Schroeder announced his resignation. His successor, Wolfgang Thierse, reversed the decision to support de Maiziere's proposal and said the SPD insisted on Sept. 15 unification.

The Volkskammer is also due to vote for the second time on an treaty establishing voting procedure for Dec. 2 all-German elections. Two weeks ago,the document did not get the required two-thirds support, mainly because many deputies were not present at the late night session.

The CDU and the SPD will already face an electoral test on Oct. 14, when East Germans go to the polls to elect regional governments in five new states, which will be created to adjust to the West German federal structure.

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#90234u0917 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 135.25-140.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $265.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.00-$115.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $476.75-$481.50; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $114.00-$122.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 286.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and

imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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#90234u0926 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - Warring black factions engaged in bitter fighting overnight in townships near Johannesburg, South Africa, with the death toll from 10-days of unrest rising to nearly 500. In Soweto, one police officer was killed and another wounded when an unknown attacker tossed a hand grenade into a patrol car. State radio reports that South Africa police struggling to keep the angry factions apart are coming under increasing attack.

Engineers are waiting for the Magellan Venus probe to phone home, after its radio signal stopped for the second time in a week. The probe is on a 551-Million-dollar mission to map the surface of the planet Venus using radar. A Jet Propulsion Laboratory spokesman in Pasadena, California, says engineers lost contact with Magella overnight. So far, scientists ''have NO idea why.'' A computer glitch last week threw the Venus orbiter into electronic hibernation for about 24 hours.

New York City prison officials say guards and inmates clashed at the Rikers Island prison last night in a disturbance that left about 40 people injured. Officials say the violence began after an inmate was stabbed by an UNidentified attacker and other convicts refused to be locked in their cells during an investigation. Officials say NONE of those injured was seriously hurt. The violence comes one week after a prison riot that injured 162 people.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - The site of black leader Malcolm X's assassination will be preserved under a deal allowing Columbia University to build a biotechnology center at the historic building, officials said Wednesday.

City officials reached a compromise late Tuesday over the proposed project to be housed in the Audubon Ballroom in Washington Heights, where Malcolm X was assassinated 25 years ago.

The plan calls for spending $11.1 million to preserve a portion of the ballroom as a health care facility and a memorial to Malcolm X.

Mayor David Dinkins, the city's first black mayor, found himself at odds with many comunity groups because he favored Columbia's original plan to knock down the ballroom to build the center. Dinkins said the center would generate jobs and boost the development of the economically depressed neighborhood.

The agreement guarantees that the proposed research facility will be built without sacrificing architectural details on the facade of the Audubon Ballroom and the area where the black leader was slain in 1965.

Dinkins said the project would generate 250 jobs during construction and 300 permanent jobs in its first phase. The plan includes a program to encourage neighborhood business development.

The first major biotechnology center in New York, the project could generate returns to the city of $20 million over its first 25 years.

''Malcolm X is widely remembered as a powerful leader of the African-American community throughout the world,'' Dinkins said. ''The compromise we have reached will further his dream of economic justice while also creating a fitting memorial in his honor.''

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#90234u0934 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

MONTREAL (AUG. 22) UPI - Transportation conglomerate Bombardier Inc. reported second-quarter earnings of $18.7 million, or 27 cents a share, a four percent increase from $17.9 million, or 26 cents a share, in the year-ago period. Revenues jumped, on the inclusion of results of several acquistions, to $609.9 million, up from $350.3 million in the second quarter of 1989.

For the first six months, Bombardier reported earnings of $38.6 million, or 56 cents a share, up from $36.1 million, or 54 cents a share, in 1989. The company's revenues soared to $1.07 billion from $659.8 million a year earlier.

Chairman Laurent Beaudoin said in a statement late Tuesday that the results reflected the addition of the accounts of Short Brothers, ANF Industrie and Wichita, Ks.-based Learjet Inc. to the company's portfolio.

Both Short Brothers and ANF Industrie were acquired in 1989 while Learjet's acquisition was finalized in June, the company said. "In spite of current economic conditions, all of the groups contributed to varying degrees to maintaining the level of net income," Beaudoin said.

Bombardier is engaged in the design, development, manufacturing, and marketing of transportation equipment, motorized consumer products, and

civil and military aerospace.

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NAIROBI, Kenya (AUG. 22) UPI - The mountain gorilla will be extinct by the end of the century if action is not taken now to protect it, Rwandan Foreign Minister Casmir Bizimungu told an international conference on gorillas, official Radio Rwanda reported Wednesday.

The weeklong First International Gorilla Protection Fair opened Monday in Kigali, Rwanda, the tiny east African country that is home to most of the world's 310 mountain gorillas. The purpose of the conference is to broaden public awareness of the gorilla's plight, said the broadcast, monitored in Nairobi.

''We must preserve the gorillas' natural habitat,'' Bizimungu said. ''If urgent steps are not taken to protect mountains gorillas against poachers, they will no longer exist in Rwanda by the end of the century,'' the broadcast noted.

The minister praised the work of American zoologist Dian Fossey, who dedicated her life to studying gorillas and protecting them from poachers. But he said such individual efforts were not enough.

Fossey, who was 53 when she was killed in 1985, probably by poachers, achieved international fame after death through her book ''Gorillas in the Mist'' and a film adaptation.

''Those taking care of the gorillas must follow in Fossey's footsteps,'' Bizimungu said. ''They must continue from where she had reached.''

There were only about 500 mountain gorillas left when Fossey was slain. The rarest of Africa's three gorilla species has suffered an almost 40 percent reduction in population and is thought to be close to a critical population level from which it would be impossible to regroup.

The 310 remaining specimens live mainly in Rwanda's Virunga national park, close to the equator high in a range of extinct volcanoes known as the ''Mountains of the Moon.''

Last month, their fragile environment came close to destruction when a major forest fire threatened the park. It was extinguished after destroying about 550 acres of the 31,000 acre park, which lies on the border with Uganda and Zaire.

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#90234u0939 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

AUSTIN, Texas (AUG. 22) UPI - The head of the state criminal justice board has appointed a special panel to investigate the use of inmates in manhunts used to train tracking dogs.

Texas Board of Criminal Justice Chairman Charles Terrell appointed a three-member subcommittee Monday in the wake of reports that his vice chairman, Jerry Hodge of Amarillo, and two bear hunting buddies participated in such a horseback expedition at the Ellis 2 Unit in Huntsville last year.

Following the exercise, Hodge presented his friends with jackets that had ''The Ultimate Hunt'' printed on the back.

News reports of Hodge's action last week prompted the Texas Civil Liberties Union to call for the immediate resignation of Hodge and one of his friends, Glenn McMennamy, a Texas human services board member. Critics say the practice is demeaning and dangerous.

''Both public concern and the media's attention to this subject warrant a serious review of the Institutional Division's practices,'' Terrell said, although noting that he has received no complaints about such practices during his tenure.

''The board has spent the last several years addressing many serious problems and correcting them,'' he said. ''They are not unwilling to look at and re-examine departmental policies for any weaknesses needing correction.''

Terrell said that as the training practice is being reviewed to ensure there is no abuse of inmates, ''it should be remembered that these dogs are not only used to find escaped inmates, but are also used to help countless law enforcement agencies in Texas and other states to find and apprehend dangerous and violent offenders, as well as to help locate missing children.''

Prisoners began wearing padded gear on the training exercises after two inmates won $14,000 in a settlement with the state for injuries suffered from working with the animals. Four other inmates seriously injured by dogs have sued the prison system.

Three inmates currently working on the program say the job is dangerous and they have been bitten but said they asked for the assignment and do not feel it is degrading.

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BETHLEHEM, PA (AUG. 22) UPI - Bethlehem Steel and the French firm Chavanne-Ketin Wednesday announced creation of a joint venture that will produce and sell cast iron rolls.

The new company, named Centec, broke ground Wednesday for an advanced spin caster that will be installed at Bethlehem's former East Lehigh roll facility in Bethlehem, Pa. The caster, being made in France, will be installed by January 1991.

Bethlehem is the second-largest steel company in the U.S., and Chavanne-Ketin is a subsidiary of Frances Usinor-Sacilor, the second-largest steel company in the world.

Kenneth Albano, general manager of Centec, said the new company will "fulfill the needs of the steel-producing industry for high performance cast iron rolls which in the past have been difficult to acquire on a consistent basis in North America."

When in full production, the new company will employ about 100 workers, most of them existing Bethlehem Steel personnel.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Baker J Inc (2nd Q 8-4)	
$112,266,000	$109,925,000
$2,014,000 (.20)	$3,211,000 (.38)
Baldwin Tech (4th Q 6-30)	
$55,207,000	$33,171,000
$4,278,000 (.24)	$13,750,480 (.21)
Boston Five Bancorp (3rd Q 7-31)	
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ad-$606,000	b-$1,881,000 (.27)

ad-Deficit, includes a pre-tax gain of $3,300,000 from sale of mortgage servicing rights.
b-Includes a pre-tax gain on sale of a building of $1,406,000.

Caesars N J (4th Q 7-31)	
$83,731,000	$92,285,000
$6,737,000 (.41)	$9,680,000 (.60)
Caesars World ((2nd Q 7-31)	

$223,654,000 $235,676,000
$7,365,000 (.31) $16,415,000 (.66)

First Fedl Alabama (4th Q 6-30)
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$285,000 (.32) d-$3,650,000
d-Deficit.

Harnischfeger Indus (3rd Q 7-31)
$425,498,000 $377,328,000
$17,249,000 (.53) $14,839,000 (.45)

Hughes Supply (2nd Q 7-31)
$149,022,000 $133,818,000
$1,354,000 (.33) $2,043,000 (.43)

Michaels Stores (2nd Q 7-29)
$71,506,000 $57,466,000
$17,000 $212,000 (.02)

Recognition Equipment (3rd Q 7-31)
$62,506,000 $59,462,000
d-$1,889,000 d-$3,864,000
d-Deficit.

Tandy Corp (4th Q 6-30)
$1,043,491,000 $897,404,000
$56,926,000 (.72) $56,865,000 (.66)

Varity Corp (2nd Q 7-31)
$937,800,000 $535,300,000
$26,900,000 (.09) $20,100,000 (.08)

WLR Foods Inc (4th Q 6-30)
$132,532,000 $126,866,000
$6,306,000 (.60) $7,939,000 (.76)

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#90234u1033 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) UPI - Activation of reserve units Wednesday by President Bush marked the 11th time since the end of World War II the backup forces have been called to duty by presidential order to deal with emergencies.

Previous activations:

-March-April 1970, President Nixon, facing a postal strike, activated

26,273 troops to help move the mail.

-January 1968-December 1969, President Johnson activated 35,280 troops in 115 different units in response to the Tet Offensive and for other Vietnam-related duty.

-March 1965, Johnson called up 4,000 officers and enlisted men in Alabama Army and Air Guard units for 10 days to deal with racial probelms in Selma.

-September 1963, President Kennedy activated Alabama Army National Guard and Air National Guard units when public schools were integrated; the forces were kept on standby at armories during the four-day period.

-June-July 1963, racial troubles in Tuscaloosa prompted Kennedy to call up almost 16,500 Alabama guardsmen.

-October-November 1963, during the Cuban missile crisis, Kennedy was given authority to call up as many as 150,000 reservists. On Oct. 27, he asked for 14,200 Air Force reservists - within nine hours 14,025 had reported. They were released Nov. 21.

-September-October 1962, Kennedy called up some 10,927 Mississippi National Guard and Air National Guard forces to maintain order when James Meredith became the first black to register as a student at the University of Mississippi in Oxford.

-October 1961-August 1963, Kennedy was authorized by Congress to call up as many as 250,000 reservists for one year to deal with the Berlin Wall crisis. A total of 155,800 guardsmen and reservists were activated.

-September 1957-May 1958, President Eisenhower activated 9,873 Arkansas personnel to deal with school integration problems in Little Rock.

-July 1950-July 1953, President Truman declared a national emergency with the onset of the Korean War and activated 938,379 reservists over the period. Reservists, many of them veterans of World War II, were ordered back into uniform for 24 months.

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#90234u1048 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 22) UPI - The Illinois Supreme Court Wednesday refused to rescind its order sending a controversial bone marrow transplant case back to the lower courts for reconsideration.

The high court earlier this month ordered that guardians be appointed for the three children involved in the case to make sure their viewpoints are represented.

At issue is whether 3 1/2-year-old twins, James and Allison Curran of Elk Grove Village, should be forced to undergo blood tests to determine whether they are suitable bone marrow donors for their dying half-brother, Jean-Pierre Bosze, 12, Hoffman Estates.

The twins' mother, Nancy Curran, asked that the court reconsider its order because she said she had adequately represented her children's interests.

''The guardians can now begin to take testimony from the children,'' court spokesman John Madigan said.

The high court heard the case on direct appeal. Cook County Circuit Judge Monica Reynolds ruled last month that the twins should not be forced to undergo the tests because it would violate their right to privacy.

Jean-Pierre is suffering from a rare form of leukemia and doctors have determined he is now too ill to undergo a transplant even if a suitable donor is found. His father, Tamas, however, has said he wants to identify a donor should his son go into remission.

Curran opposes the procedure because she said she fears for the health and safety of her children, who were conceived during a relationship with Bosze that ended while Curran was eight months pregnant. Blood tests taken in a paternity suit indicated the twins might be suitable donors.

The high court has ordered Reynolds to hold evidentiary hearings in the case as soon as possible with the results to be submitted to the court no later than Sept. 7.

Reynolds earlier this month appointed one guardian for Jean-Pierre and one for the twins.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - President Bush is expected to call to active duty some 40-thousand military reservists to back up the U-S troops in the Persian Gulf. White House chief of staff John Sununu says activating the reservists must be done ''just the right way so it is fine-tuned and it's a very surgical, specialized call-up rather than a broad call-up.''

United Nations envoys arrived in Baghdad today to meet with Iraqi foreign Minister Tareq Aziz. The diplomats are expected to press Iraq to free thousands of foreigners detained in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

In other developments, Italy and Belgium say they are highly skeptical of Iraq's reported pledge to free citizens of seven European countries held

in Iraq and occupied Kuwait. A Belgian foreign ministry spokesman in Brussels says Iraqi officials are now denying they made any such promise.

More factional fighting raged overnight in the black South African townships outside Johannesburg. In the largest township of Soweto , a police officer was killed and another injured when an attacker threw a hand grenade into a patrol car. The death toll in 10 days of UNrest hit 492, after the discovery of 37 people killed last night.

China's state-run news service says at least 54 people were killed this week when Typhoon Yancy slashed across part of the nation's southeast coast. Yancy began its destruction Monday... causing more than 30-Million dollars in damage. More than 100-thousand acres of land was flooded.

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#90234u1063 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (AUG. 22) UPI - Federal agents got the wrong man when they arrested a Florida businessman on cocaine trafficking charges, believing him a co-defendant of former Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega, the suspect's attorney told a federal magistrate.

Charged as Roberto Steiner, the suspect is known to friends as Roberto Striendinger, attorney Neil Taylor said.

During a four-hour bond hearing Tuesday, Taylor told U.S. Magistrate Linnea Johnson that Charles ''Bebe'' Rebozo, senior chairman of the Key Biscayne Bank and Trust Co. and a confidante of former President Richard Nixon, would vouch for Striendinger.

Rebozo, 77, lives next to Striendinger's two-story home on Key Biscayne that was seized by agents when Striendinger was arrested July 26. Rebozo was not in court Tuesday.

The attorney said Striendinger is a legitimate businessman who borrowed money from Rebozo's bank to buy his $2.4 million home.

Taylor said it was unlikely Striendinger would have stayed in Florida if he really was the man indicted on drug charges in 1988 with the deposed Panamanian leader.

''He would have gotten the message and taken off a long time ago,'' Taylor said.

Taylor said his client is an exporter with interests in cattle, shrimp, lumber and hearts of palm. He said Striendinger owns a ranch outside Bogota, Colombia, and is certified to fly privately, commercially and in the Colombian air force.

Character witnesses, including a Colombian priest, a Dade County assistant public defender, two private lawyers and an aircraft broker, said that to their knowledge, Striendinger was no drug smuggler.

All of them said they knew him as Roberto Striendinger, not Roberto Steiner, and that they never heard him use an alias.

''He is not Roberto Steiner and he never has been,'' Taylor said.

But Assistant U.S. Attorney Guy Lewis said the picture painted in court was an elaborate cover for a longtime drug trafficker.

Steiner is charged in the Noriega indictment with flying 880 pounds of cocaine from a ranch owned by Colobmian drug lord Pablo Escobar to an airstrip in Panama for distribution in the United States.

Lewis said undercover agents caught up with him in 1982 at a meeting in Belize, where Striendinger was shopping for an airstrip and refueling facilities for U.S.-bound drug planes.

Agents who raided Striendinger's home found two AK-47 assault rifles, an AR-15, an Uzi 9mm pistol and a Mac-10, all but one of them loaded.

Agents also confiscated a side band radio base station, a telefax machine with messages referring to the seizure of aircraft in Colombia, a map of rural Colombia, a ledger with navigational coordinates, documents pertaining to an aircraft seized by the Broward County Sheriff's Office and a cigarette boat tied to a dock in the back.

The home was listed in the name of Clemwood, N.V., an offshore holding company that is jointly owned by Striendinger, his ex-wife and his mother.

Lewis said the defendant is also under investigation by West German authorities for smuggling cocaine in hearts of palm cans, by the Broward Sheriff's Office in an unrelated case and by the federal Organized Crime Task Force. He did not elaborate.

The bond hearing is to resume Friday.

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SAN ANTONIO DE BELEN, Costa Rica (AUG. 22) UPI - The Salvadoran government and rebels were winding up talks Wednesday with diminished hopes for a quick cease-fire agreement and fighting by both sides increasing.

After five days of negotiations at this tourist resort 8 miles northwest of San Jose, rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front and a government commission had failed to make any progress on the issue of reforms within the Salvadoran armed forces.

At the end of Tuesday night's session, FMLN negotiator Salvador Samoyoa said the government ''has not made a single bit of movement on a single one of the important issues of the armed forces.

''We might have some minor agreement, over something else, but we do not expect a single agreement regarding the armed forces,'' he said.

He added that the FMLN would now try to expand the dialogue to include all political and social sectors within the country. ''This is the weakness and the fear of the government,'' he said.

Talks were to end during the afternoon.

''It appears the FMLN doesn't want an agreement this round,'' a Western diplomat close to the talks said Tuesday. ''I think the 18 points they presented are an indication of that.''

When the current round of talks began Friday, the rebels submitted an 18-point proposal that extended their demands for military reductions and dismissals to include the eventual elimination of the armed forces.

Rebel negotiator Maria Marta Valladares said the proposal was a political move to advance the FMLN's position at the talks.

''The only solution for the people of El Salvador is for both of us to arrive at a cease-fire,'' she said.

U.N. mediator Alvaro de Soto said Tuesday that the idea of a September cease-fire had been virtually discarded, and acknowledged that ''we cannot yet announce a single concrete advance.''

Rebel leaders have warned of an impending increase in military action if no settlement is reached on the issue of the armed forces.

The threat coincided with stepped up fighting in El Salvador and a rebel rocket attack Monday night on the presidential house in San Salvador. President Alfredo Cristiani had left the building a few minutes before the attack, which left six civilians wounded and damaged houses and cars in the area.

Rebel leaders in Costa Rica said they knew nothing about the attack.

The Western diplomat said there were 10 main points under discussion in

Costa Rica, including the alleged immunity of military officers from prosecution on charges of human rights abuse, widespread dismissals of high-ranking officers, a revamping of security forces and civilian authority over security forces.

Cristiani's government has already agreed to hand a number of security forces over to civilian control, but maintains that only the armed forces can clean up their own institution.

The diplomat described the massive dismissals - which reportedly involve as many as 200 military officers - as ''a sort of an impossible demand.''

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 59-62.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - For the second time in a week, NASA scientists in Pasadena, California, are trying to re-establish contact with the Magellan Venus radar probe. A spokesman for the Jet Propulsion Laboratory says scientists have NO idea why they lost contact with the orbiting probe last night. A computer glitch last Thursday threw the space craft into computer-induced hibernation.

Police in Bannister, Michigan, say the lone survivor of a car crash that killed eight people last night is in critical condition. The surviving victim is described only as a young girl. Officials say the accident apparently occurred when a motorist ignored a stop sign at a rural intersection and slammed into another car.

A former toy store employee in Tampa, Florida, reportedly has admitted putting Barbie's clothing on a Mattel Ken doll... a prank that gained national attention. When a New Jersey woman bought the doll, Ken was wearing a pink and white dress and was inside a box. Officials at a Toys-R-Us store say clerk Ron Zero made the switch as part of a late-night joke. He has since been fired.

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TEMPE, AZ (AUG. 22) UPI - Running back Anthony Thompson, selected in the second round as the Phoenix Cardinals' top draft choice, agreed to terms Wednesday, ending a month-long holdoson, a 5-foot 11-inch, 207-pounder from Indiana University, was expected to practice for the first time Thursday. Team officials said he traveled to Indiana to pick up his possessions after signing the contract.

Terms of the contract were not revealed.

Thompson is expected to challenge for a starting job at R-back in Coach Joe Bugel's offense that features just one setback. His absense from training camp and the first two preseason games opened the door for another rookie, Johnny Johnson, a seventh-round selection from San Jose State who has turned in impressive performances.

The Cardinals are seeking a successor to Stump Mitchell, who was waived this fall after failing to completely recover from a knee injury suffered last September.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 22) UPI - Citizens & Southern Bank apologized Wednesday to more than 10,000 puzzled mortgage customers in three states who received default notices in the mail because of a computer glitch in the bank's Atlanta headquarters.

"We apologize to anybody for whom we've caused any problem or concern, and we feel badly about it," said Citizens & Southern spokesman Scott Scredon. "I hope we haven't caused too much of a problem." Scredon said the "computer processing error" occurred Friday but was not caught until Saturday.

"We got hold of the problem and mailed out notices to all customers by Tuesday morning," said Scredon. He said none of the customers who received the notices in Georgia, Florida, and South Carolina actually had defaulted on their mortgage payments.

Customers who called an Atlanta telephone number given on the default notices were informed by a recording that the bank had made a mistake. "One thing that we want them to know is their records will not show a delinquent payment and their credit record will not be afected by this situation," said Scredon. He said a few customers have phoned the bank directly, bypassing the recorded phone message.

"We've received a few calls, but not too many," he said. "People generally recognized when they've made their mortgage payment. Because we caught the error pretty quickly perhaps we haven't upset too many people."

He said that to his knowledge this was the first time such an error had occurred at Citizens & Southern, the largest commercial bank in Georgia with assets of $23.3 billion and $18.1 billion in deposits.

Citizens & Southern is preparing to merge with Sovran Financial Corp. of Norfolk, Va., the largest commercial bank in Virginia. The resulting Avantor Financial Corp. would become the nation's tenth-largest commercial bank in terms of deposits.

Sovran, which has $25.5 billion in assets and $18.7 billion in deposits, owns 12 banking subsidiaries in Delaware, Kentucky, Virginia, Tennessee, and the District of Columbia.

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OMAHA (AUG. 22) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves 400; trading on light mid-week supply of slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, firm compared to Tuesday; slaughter cows fully steady; steers load mixed select and choice 2-3 near 1100 lb 75.75; heifers 3 loads choice 2-4 1025-1125 lb 75.50-77.00, package choice 3-4 near 1050 lb 74.00; cows breaking 55.75-57.25, boning 56.00-61.00, low to average cutter 51.00-56.75.

Hogs 1,400; butchers closed slow, 1.50-2.00 lower; No 1-3 220-250 lb 54.00-54.50, No 1-2 some 200-230 lb 50.00-53.25, others around 200 lb still unsold, No 2-3 250-270 lb 53.50-54.00, 250-260 lb extremes 54.50; sows under 500 lb 1.00 lower, over 500 lb uneven, steady to 1.00 lower; No 1-3 350-500 lb 48.50-49.00, mostly 49.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 52.00-52.25.

Sheep 50; steady; slaughter spring lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb 52.00-54.00, 100-120 lb 47.00-51.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good 13.00-17.00.

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SAN ANTONIO (AUG. 22) UPI - A Texas bottling executive says thirsty U.S. soldiers in the Middle East should be drinking Texas water, not that of water from France.

''I have been conscientiously watching the news every night to stay abreast of the current situation over there,'' Artesia Waters Inc.

President Rick Scoville said in a letter to Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas.

''To my dismay, I saw our American troops drinking Evian water, which is imported from France.''

But that will change. Artesia marketing director Maureen Niestroy said Tuesday that Artesia will provide at least 17,000 gallons of water to the U.S. troops massing in the Middle East since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Artesia is awaiting confirmation on the quantity needed and whether to ship 1-gallon bottles or 2.5-gallon bottles, she said.

U.S. soldiers have been told to drink six gallons of water a day while on duty in the desert. Bottled water is being shipped in to the troops to reduce the chances of infection from contaminated water.

Niestroy said the troops should be drinking Texas bottled water by the weekend.

''We're selling it to the military at cost,'' she said. ''We're not making any money. The exposure alone is tremendous.''

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COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AUG. 22) UPI - Security forces launched a major military offensive against rebel militants in northern Sri Lanka Wednesday hoping to relieve about 200 troops trapped for weeks inside a 300-year-old Dutch fort, a senior military source said.

The development came as separatist violence around the war-weary island nation left at least 12 people dead, including 10 Tamil militants killed in clashes with security forces, another military official said.

About 1,000 Sri Lankan soldiers, backed by artillery and helicopter gunships, stormed the northern Jaffna Peninsula Wednesday and attacked positions held by the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, the official said.

He said the meticulously planned operation, expected to continue for two days, was aimed at breaking rebel control of the area surrounding the old Dutch fort in the city of Jaffna, where some 200 government troops have been trapped for more than nine weeks.

The Tigers have used automatic weapons and mortars in sporadic attacks on the fort, preventing government helicopters from landing inside to deliver food and other supplies, and from evacuating wounded soldiers.

The government has staged repeated attacks on rebel positions around the fort, but have failed to bring the area under government control.

On Tuesday, separatist violence left at least 12 people dead, the other military official said.

One encounter near the eastern provincial capital of Batticaloa erupted Tuesday after guerrillas of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam attacked security forces in the town of Unnichchi.

The senior military official said seven rebels were killed in the encounter.

In a separate incident, at least three other rebels were killed Tuesday when security forces staged a search for Tamil militants in the town of Vellaveli, also near Batticaloa, the official said.

Two other encounters - one in Batticaloa and another in the northern Jaffna Peninsula - left at least two members of government security forces dead, the official said.

More than 2,600 soldiers, rebels and civilians have been killed since hostilities between government forces and the Tamil Tigers began in mid-June when rebels staged simultaneous attacks on four military camps in eastern Sri Lanka.

The government battled several Tamil militant groups from 1983 until 1987 when Colombo signed a peace accord with New Delhi. Under the terms of the agreement, India sent thousands of peace-keeping troops to Sri Lanka.

Their job was to maintain law and order and to supervise the surrender of weapons by Tamil militant groups who agreed to disarm in exchange for greater autonomy in Tamil areas.

The Tamil Tigers refused to participate in the process and the development led to a war between the Tigers and Indian troops. At least 1,100 Indian soldiers and 600 Tiger rebels died in the violence.

Indian forces failed to crush the Tigers and earlier this year were recalled by New Delhi, leaving behing a fragile cease-fire between the Tigers and the Sri Lankan government.

That peace was shattered when the rebels attacked the military camps in June.

Tiger rebels claim that Sri Lanka's minority Tamil community, which is mostly Hindu, needs a separate nation because of years of discrimination by the majority Sinhalese, who are predominantly Buddhist.

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KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine (AUG. 22) UPI - President Bush, in a move that could affect tens of thousands in the first few months, activated military reservists Wednesday to supplement the U.S. troops now stationed in the Persian Gulf area.

In an executive order authorizing the first mobilization of reserves for potential combat duty since the Vietnam Tet offensive in 1968, Bush did not specify how many people would be immediately involved.

But administration officials said the initial call-up order likely would involve 40,000 reservists in the first month, with increases as warranted on a staggered basis.

In a statement announcing the president's action, taken in light of the intensifying conflict in the strategic gulf, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the number of reserve personnel to be called to active duty ''will depend upon the operational needs of the armed forces, but, at this time, we do not anticipate approaching the full 200,000'' allowed by law.

In his authorization order, Bush said: ''I hereby determine that it is necessary to augment the active armed forces of the United States for the effective conduct of operational missions in and around the Arabian Peninsula.''

The action allows Defense Secretary Dick Cheney to call to duty selected members and units of the reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps.

Fitzwater said Bush signed the order after Cheney advised that the reservists would be needed to support and fill in for the tens of thousands of soldiers, sailors and airmen already in or headed for the Middle East.

The spokesman singled out as reserve functions airlift, food and water handling, surface transportation, cargo handling, medical services, construction and intelligence. Though the bulk of the reservists mobilized would likely remain stateside, some could be pulled away from families and jobs for the Middle East, where the threat of fighting remains real.

Fitzwater said that ''by making judicious use of the president's authorization, the secretary of defense will be able to ensure that essential capabilities such as these and others are available to support our operational requirements.''

The order also authorizes Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner to call to active duty elements of the Coast Guard Reserve.

Officials stressed the actual numbers that could be eventually involved would depend on the situation in the area, where an American-led naval blockade is underway in an effort to economically isolate Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

With average pay and allowances for an active-duty person amounting to $24,000 a year, a call-up of 40,000 reservists would cost $80 million extra a month, or $960 million a year in personnel costs alone.

Bush, also notifying the Congress of his action, said, ''The deployment of United States forces to conduct operational missions in and around the Arabian Peninsula necessitates this action.''

Bush, meanwhile conferred at his Walker's Point summer compound with Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

He was later scheduled to discuss the gulf crisis with reporters.

The development in the 3-week-old standoff in the gulf came as U.S. ships and troops continued to steam to the region where they were being joined by a growing international force. And while continuing to press the United Nations for permission to use military force to back up the blockade of Iraqi imports and exports, the United States watched with concern for the fate of some 3,000 Americans held hostage in Kuwait and Iraq.

Cheney returned late Tuesday from a four-day, six-nation trip to the Middle East, where he visited Americans involved in Operation Desert Shield, the largest U.S. military operation since the Vietnam War.

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BRISTOL, CT (AUG. 22) UPI - Cooper Industries' Bussmann Division will close its electric fuse plant by September 1991, eliminating about 330 jobs of mainly single mothers and widows nearing retirement age, officials said Wednesday.

The phase-out, which will begin in September, reflects an effort to consolidate operations, improve manufacturing efficiency and cut costs throughout the division, said plant manager James R. Potter.

The division also operates plants in Kentucky, Missouri, North Carolina, Illinois, and Mexico, said Potter.

The company, one of Torrington, Conn.'s, major employers, will meet with the union to work out severance pay and benefits, said Potter.

''We will make every effort to assist the employees in their transition to another job,'' he said.

''It's a very sad situation. They're upset that they're going to be out of a job,'' said Dorothy Guay, president of Local 260 of the International Union of Electronic, Electrical, Machine, Salaried and Furniture Workers, AFL-CIO.

''We have a lot of people who are not quite old enough to retire. We have a lot of single parents who don't know what their future is going to bring '' said Guay.

After rumors in June that the plant may be closed, the union began seeking ways to keep the factory open, Guay said.

Two suggestions by the union, which included finding other products to manufacture or bring in another manufacturer to share the facility, were rejected by the company, she said.

The union, which represents 290 of the workers, will continue searching for ways to keep the plant open and is seeking the help of Mayor John J. Leone and Rep. Nancy Johnson, R-Conn., said Guay.

''We're disappointed they're making the move,'' said Leone, who met with union officials Tuesday.

Leone also said he was optimistic that the factory eventually would be used by another company.

About 70 to 75 percent of Bussmann's workforce in Bristol is made up of women who are assemblers and solderers on the production line, Guay said.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - The State Department today says it will NOT obey Iraqi orders to close down the U-S Embassy in Kuwait. Iraq Friday warned that any diplomats who remain in a foreign embassy will lose their diplomatic status and be taken into custody like other civilians. The State Department says Ambassador Nathaniel Howell will remain in Kuwait. Other countries have made similiar decisions.

The British Foreign Office says 10 Britons and one American who were taken from their homes in Kuwait are ''safe and well.'' The 11 were rounded up by Iraqi soldiers yesterday as they conducted house-to-house searches. A

Foreign Office spokesman says the 11 westerners were taken to an UNdisclosed ''civilian installation.'' The U-S State Department says the American was captured at gunpoint and forced to tell where other Americans lived.

Black townships around Johannesburg, South Africa, continue to be plagued by violence... this time directed at police. Mobs attacked police in one township with automatic weapons and gasoline bombs... while town council offices in another were burned. One officer was killed and another wounded in Soweto when an attacker tossed a hand grenade into a patrol car. Nearly 500 people have been killed in the 10 days of violence.

A survey puts Bremerton, Washington, on the map as the ''best place to live'' because of its low crime rate and environmental awareness. The Money Magazine poll was dominated by cities in the Northwest. Seattle... 15 miles away from Bremerton... was second, after being first in a 1989 survey. Other cities that topped the ''best place'' survey include San Francisco in the third spot, Tacoma, Washington, fourth and Eugene-Springfield, Oregon in fifth place.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 22) UPI - Philippine Foreign Affairs Secretary Raul Manglapus said Wednesday he will visit Teheran to discuss the possibility of Iran supplying oil lost from the U.N. embargo of exports from Iraq and Kuwait.

Manglapus told reporters he was scheduled to leave for New Delhi Thursday and then proceed to Teheran.

He will be accompanied by Manuel Estrella, president of the state-owned Philippine National Oil Company.

Manglapus said Iran had offered to supply the Philippines with 40,000 barrels of oil a day to make up for the losses in oil purchases following the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraqi forces.

Oil imports from Iraq and Kuwait account for 25 percent of the Philippines' requirements.

In his meeting with Iranian President Ali Akbar Rafsanjani, Manglapus said he would also discuss the possibility of Iran employing Filipinos displaced in the Gulf conflict.

In addition, Manglapus said he would visit Iraq to discuss the evacuation of some 60,000 Filipino workers in Kuwait and another 5,000 in Iraq.

He said he will also visit Saudi Arabia, Jordan, and the United Arab Emirates before returning to Manila at the end of the month.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - A former top aide to U-S Attorney General Dick Thornburgh pleaded innocent in federal court today to cocaine-related charges. Henry Barr of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, pleaded innocent at an arraignment in Scranton. Barr was a Justice Department adviser to Thornburgh before resigning in May 1989. He is accused of using cocaine from 1984 through 1988 and again in April 1989 while employed by the Justice Department.

West Germany appears willing to compromise on the exact date for full unification after East Germany's Social Democratic Party reversed a decision backing an October 14th merger. West German Chancellor Kohl and East German leader Lothar de Maiziere argue re-unification must come after the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe in early October. Reports indicate de Maiziere has suggested unification can take place October 6th.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) UPI - An 11-month-old boy, newly diapered, was briefly left alone with a teddy bear on the bedroom floor of his suburban home last month. Moments later, the toddler was found upside down in a 5-gallon bucket of soapy water. He died a short time later.

In Madera, Calif., a mother is awaiting trial on a felony charge of reckless endangerment in connection with a similar accident last November that left her 8 1/2-month-old son dead.

According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, these are not isolated incidents.

Every other week somewhere in the United States, a child left unattended falls head first into a bucket of water and drowns, commission head Jacqueline Jones-Smith told reporters Wednesday.

''This is one of the most latent and widespread risks in recent commission experience,'' Jones-Smith said. ''Who would suspect that infants or toddlers could pull themselves up and into a 5-gallon bucket without tipping the bucket over? But it has happened, and unfortunately, our data show that will probably happen about eight more times in 1990 unless something is done.''

In all, more than 125 such deaths have been reported to the commission

since 1985, she said. By comparison, about 300 children drown each year in residential swimming pools.

The children who died in bucket drownings usually ranged in age from 8 to 12 months, though some victims were as young as 4 months and as old as 2 years.

Nearly all the cases reported to the commission involved straight-sided 5-gallon plastic buckets that had been emptied of their original contents, such as paints, and were brought home to be used for household chores.

In a typical accident, a curious toddler reaches into the bucket to play in the water or drops a toy in the container and tries to retrieve the object, then leans over too far and falls in head first.

Because children of this age are top-heavy and only about twice the height of the average 14-inch-wide bucket, the container does not tip over and toddlers cannot work themselves free.

Buckets filled with even a couple of gallons of water weigh more than a typical infant.

In the case of the 11-month-old suburban Washington boy who died July 30, Jones-Smith said, ''the infant's mother was using a 5-gallon bucket with a few inches of bleach water to soak the detachable cloth seat of her child's stroller.''

The freshly diapered baby, left unattended for a few moments by an aunt and grandmother, appeared to have reached in the bucket for a roll of tissue paper that had fallen into the container.

The commission asked the parents to appear at the news conference to help draw attention to the problem, but they declined. The family has asked that they not be identified.

In the case in California, Gala Turner of Madera has been charged with reckless endangerment in the death of her 8 1/2-month-old son, Joshua, who was found Nov. 18, 1989, in a puddle of water beside a bucket of cleaning solution.

Madera Police Chief Gordon Skeels said in this case, the child had been left alone for a ''lengthy period of time,'' and that there were ''other factors'' that led authorities to bring criminal charges against the mother.

She is scheduled to go on trial next month.

To combat this hazard, the consumer commission has joined a coalition of

trade associations and their member companies that make or use industrial packaging containers to launch a public awareness campaign.

The progam includes the circulation of free brochures describing the hazard, warning labels for buckets and public service announcements. Lewis Freeman of the Coalition for Container Safety, said the initial cost of these materials was about $100,000.

Consumers may obtain the warning sticker and brochure by contacting the coalition at 1-800-BUCKET-5.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - Markets at a Glance - 2 p.m.

NYSE Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.
Bonds - Mostly lower.
American Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.
London Stocks - Closed slightly lower in light trading.
Tokyo Stocks - Closed broadly lower in active trading.
Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.
Gold Futures - Higher.
Cotton - Higher.
Chicago Grain Futures - Higher.
Cattle trade - Steady; top $75.50.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) UPI - Two leading atmospheric scientists Wednesday rebuffed claims the sun's natural fluctuations will offset global warming from man-made ''greenhouse'' gases, and argued for immediate steps to curb such pollution.

Last year, in a report that found favor in the Bush administration, scientists with the prestigious Marshall Institute in Washington downplayed the threat of global warming from pollution. One contention was that the sun's output of energy is expected to decline early next century, resulting in substantial natural cooling and possibly making efforts to reduce greenhouse gases ''unnecessary or even harmful.''

Now, James Hansen and Andrew Lacis of the NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies in New York have disputed that scenario, saying their calculations show natural swings in solar radiation could not counteract greenhouse warming.

The greenhouse effect occurs when carbon dioxide and other gases act like

the glass windows of a greenhouse, trapping heat in Earth's atmosphere and preventing it from escaping back into space.

Some scientists think worldwide temperatures will increase as a result of greater emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases from man-made sources like car exhausts.

Whether the Earth actually is warming - and when possible resulting problems like droughts or rising sea levels might occur - is a matter of controversy, although most records show global temperatures have risen about 1 degree Fahrenheit over the past 100 years. Uncertainties include the impact of oceans, clouds, volcanoes and the sun.

In an article published in the journal Science, Hansen and Lacis said the sun's energy output would have to fall at least 2 percent to counter the warming they expect to occur by 2050 if emissions of greenhouse gases continue to rise at their current pace.

''There is no evidence for such a decrease (in solar energy),'' the researchers wrote, noting ground-based observations of the sun's diameter suggest its energy output has varied only 0.2 percent or 0.3 percent over the past 275 years. A 2 percent decline would also be ''20 times larger'' than the changes measured by spacecraft over the past 11 years, the researchers said.

Robert Jastrow, co-author of the Marshall report and professor of earth sciences at Dartmouth University in Hanover, N.H., called Hansen's article ''very interesting,'' but ''completely contradictory'' to what his team's analysis found.

Jastrow, founder and former director of the Goddard space studies institute, called past studies linking the sun's diameter to its energy output ''fatally flawed'' because they did not properly correct for how changes in atmospheric thickness affect ground-based observations.

In addition, he said diameter measurements probably are not sensitive enough to pick up fluctuations as small as 2 percent in energy output. Ronald Gilliland, a solar physicist at NASA's Space Telescope Institute in Baltimore, has estimated a change in solar radiation of up to 10 percent could occur without any detectable change in solar diameter, Jastrow said.

Also in their article, Hansen and Lacis said it cannot be determined if another known cooling factor, airborne dust from volcanoes and man-made pollutants, would be strong enough to significantly offset warming from greenhouse gases.

''A clustering of large volcanic eruptions could counter greenhouse forcing for years or even edcades. But at present we cannot forecast

overall volcanic activity,'' the NASA scientists wrote.

Despite the unknowns, Hansen and Lacis argue that the United States should act now to reduce the emission of greenhouse pollutants instead of waiting anywhere from three to five years for resolution of scientific issues.

''It is clearly desirable to reduce the ultimate magnitude of the 'experiment' that man is carrying out on Earth, and there are many actions that could accomplish that,'' they said, suggesting government officials pay more than lip-service to improving energy efficiency, reducing deforestation and planting trees.

But Jastrow, who is revising the Marshall report for publication as a book said he thinks it would be best for policy makers to wait before taking any dramatic steps aimed at offsetting possible global warming.

''In just five or so years, we will know a lot more than we know today. What will waiting cost you? One or two tenths of degree (Celsius) in eventual warming. That's not a serious problem,'' he said.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 22) UPI - The major oil companies have been saying the price paid at the pump for gasoline reflects increases and decreases in oil prices, but research shows decreases in gas prices aren't likely to occur as quickly.

Kenneth Mayland, chief economist for the Society Corp., a bank holding company, said Wednesday gasoline prices were slow to move down as oil prices fell earlier this year.

"Interestingly, when oil prices fell this spring from February on, there did seem to be a dragging of feet in terms of adjusting gasoline prices lower," Mayland said. "At that time, the spread between oil prices and gasoline prices opened up to the very high end of historical ranges." "When oil prices fell further in May and June," Mayland said, "that spread opened up to 64 and 65 cents a gallon."

With the refiners' acquistion price of oil now at about 64 cents a gallon and unleaded gasoline selling for about $1.25 a gallon, the spread is about 61 cents. He said a 61-cent spread is not exorbitant but added the information is important to remember. "When they say, if and when oil prices go down, gasoline prices will go down, it's nice to have this research, because we can test their claims," he said.

BP America Inc. President James Ross, in answering questions about gas prices following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, said they are based on the

current price of acquiring oil, and would go up or down as the price of oil goes.

Mayland, however, said the trends are changing in price adjustments. In the past when oil prices increased, gas prices didn't go up as much or as quickly. "Over the history, a rising price of crude tended to result in about a three-cent compression in the spread between oil and gasoline prices," he said. "That normal compression in the spread didn't occur this time. In fact, that spread seems to have widened."

Mayland said the result is that oil companies and gasoline stations are "producing especially strong (profit) margins." Is this wrong?

"Setting base emotions aside, it is not easy determining whether the massive movement of gasoline prices is right or excessive," Mayland said. "Remember, oil and gasoline are assets just like any other assets. People feel no obligation, moral or otherwise, to sell their houses at cost when real estate prices rise.

"The economics of the situation says there is going to be some conservation of energy in general ... and there'll be some conservation in the use of gasoline - less traveling, more car pooling," Mayland said. "If these prices are sustained, there will be a tendency to purchase more fuel efficient cars."

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 22) UPI - Richard Miller, the only FBI agent ever charged with espionage, betrayed his country by passing secret documents to his Soviet lover out of lust and ''to make a quick buck'', a prosecutor said Wednesday.

''He did not begin his (FBI) career to become a spy,'' Assistant U.S. Attorney Adam Schiff said.

''But he did become a spy,'' the prosecutor said in opening Miller's third trial on espionage and bribery charges by passing an FBI intelligence manual in 1984 to the Soviet emigre with whom he had an adulterous affair and believed was an agent of the Soviet KGB.

''He did not begin his career to sell out his country, but sell out his country he did,'' he said.

Miller's brand of espionage was not ideological, Schiff said. ''It was a crime of lust. It was a crime of dissatisfaction. It was a crime of boredom.''

''But mostly, it was was a crime of selfishness,'' he said.

The non-jury trial is being heard by U.S. District Judge Robert Takasugi.

Defense attorneys were expected to make an opening statement later Wednesday.

Schiff said Miller, 53, was so infatuated with Svetlana Ogorodnikova that perhaps she, even more than money, was Miller's primary motivation for turning over the manual.

''He enjoyed spending time with her. He enjoyed having sex with her and he enjoyed being with her,'' Schiff said.

Ogorodnikova promised Miller $50,000 in gold and $15,000 in cash, none of which he apparently received, for the secret information and other valuable material he could provide the Soviet Union.

Miller, at the time a member of the Mormon church, perceived Ogorodnikova as an ''opportunity to make a quick buck'' at a time when he worried about feeding his wife and eight children, could not pay his mortgage and was overdrawn on his credit card.

The rotund agent also was the laughing stock of the FBI's Los Angeles office, where he had been ''relegated to listening to a wire tap 40 hours a week'' and had been suspended without pay for failing to meet weight standards, Schiff said.

By preying on these and other factors plaguing Miller, ''Svetlana Ogorodnikova ... hooked the first FBI agent in history,'' Schiff said, in a lengthy, chronological narrative of the government's theory of the case.

The defense lost its fight Tuesday to exclude from the trial Miller's admissions to FBI interrogators after his 1984 arrest that he had turned over FBI secrets to Ogorodnikova.

At the pretrial hearing, Miller testified the confession he now disavows resulted in part over concern about his ''personal spirituality'' and a desire to be truthful.

''I wanted to be so honest even to the side of error,'' Miller testified.

During five days of interrogations by his fellow agents, Miller admitted passing the documents and his FBI credentials to Ogorodnikova for sex, money and a Burberry trench coat.

Miller's first trial ended in a jury deadlock in 1985. He was convicted in June 1986 but the conviction was reversed by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of

Appeals, which ruled that U.S. District Court Judge David Kenyon permitted too much testimony about lie detector tests that Miller failed.

Miller was jailed for five years until being released on bail after his conviction was overturned.

Miller did not testify at his first two trials. Ogorodnikova pleaded guilty to espionage conspiracy in 1984. She was sentenced to 18 years in prison. Her husband, Nikolai, also was convicted for his participation in the scheme and served a five-year term.

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MOSCOW (AUG. 22) UPI - Nearly 200 Soviet military specialists are still training Iraqi soldiers and maintaining Soviet-supplied equipment despite Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, a military spokesman said Wednesday.

Col. Valentin Ogurtsov told reporters the Soviets are not advising the Iraqi army on military operations, but are still carrying out their ''contractual obligations'' for training and maintaining Soviet-made weapons sent before the invasion.

The Soviet Union cut off all military supplies to Iraq after it invaded Kuwait and joined the United Nations in condemning the Iraqi agression, but Ogurtsov said the question of the military specialists already in the country is a complicated one.

''There are processes that are not very easy to stop,'' Ogurtsov said. ''We are under certain obligations.''

There are 193 Soviet military specialists currently in Iraq among the estimated 8,000 Soviet citizens there. The Soviet Union has said women and children will be evacuated beginning Friday after an evacuation of Soviets from Kuwait is completed, but it was unclear whether men working in Iraq would also be allowed out.

In addition to Soviet military advisers there were military advisers from Egypt and Jordan in Iraq, and possibly others from China and East Germany, said Henry Dodds, editor of Jane's Soviet Intelligence Review in London.

Brazil had 30 advisers from a private company working on a secret Iraqi secret missile project. Chile has seven working on cluster bomb project.

The Los Angeles Times said in a report Sunday that Iraq may be compelling the Soviets still in Iraq to continue their work with the military, but Ogurtsov said he did not know of any ''blackmail or threats'' against the military specialists.

''As to why we haven't received orders (to stop work), we simply implement orders,'' Ogurtsov said. ''Our political leadership might find it difficult to resolve the situation because it is not quite clear. ... It will be a complex decision.''

Foreign Ministry spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh said the position of the Soviet specialists in Iraq is complicated by the fact that there was no chance to withdraw advisers before the invasion.

''We were taken by surprise by the agression by Iraq,'' he said. ''That is why we, like other countries, could not take any preliminary measures.

''On the one hand, it is connected with the contractual obligations, but on the other hand it depends on the development of the situation,'' Gremitskikh said.

''After the contractual obligations are met, they will leave,'' he said. ''New experts are not being sent. If Iraqi actions require additional measures, they will be taken.

''But I don't think the presence of a very small number of specialists runs counter to the United Nations position.''

Ogurtsov said the contracts the specialists are fulfilling run from as short as 10-20 days to several months and involve training Iraqis to use Soviet equipment and building and working in test and maintenance facilities.

The revelation that Soviet specialists are still working with the Iraqi military came as Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov issued instructions to his government's ministries on complying with a U.N. trade embargo of Iraq, and as Moscow continued its diplomatic efforts to end the Middle East crisis.

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MIAMI (AUG. 22) UPI - Jurors in an Iran-Contra civil suit deliberated for a second day Wednesday while defense lawyers challenged the court's jurisdiction over claims arising from a failed mission to drop supplies to Nicarguan rebels.

Cargo handler Eugene Hasenfus, 49, of Marinette, Wisc., and the family of co-pilot Wallace ''Buzz'' Sawyer, of Magnolia, Ark., who was killed in the mission, sued former Air Force Maj. Gen. Richard Secord and Southern Air Transport of Miami, owner of the downed cargo plane.

Hasenfus sought payment for expenses incurred after the plane was shot down in October 1986 and he was captured, tried and sentenced to 30 years in prison by the Sandinistas. He was pardoned after three months in a Nicaraguan jail.

Sawyer's wife and two children sought death benefits.

The case went to the six-member jury Tuesday after five weeks of testimony. The panel deliberated for 6 1/2 hours Tuesday, then resumed at 9:45 a.m. Wednesday.

The jury was barred from awarding punitive damages or awards for mental anguish. That left them to decide whether Hasenfus and Sawyer had a valid contract with the defendants and if so whether terms of the contract had been met.

But defense lawyers said the case may no longer meet the criteria for federal court cases. Judge C. Clyde Atkins scheduled a 2 p.m. hearing Wednesday to hear their arguments, outside the jury's presence.

The plaintiff's lawyers argued that although Hasenfus and Sawyer signed contracts with a Pennsylvania company called Corporate Air Service, the firm was in fact a front for Southern Air and Secord, who were the men's real employers and as such were liable for their safety.

One of the lawyers, Brian Strange, also charged that Secord and Southern Air ran the secret Contra-supply service for personal profit.

Defense lawyers said Secord and Southern Air were pawns of the Reagan administration and did not run the supply line.

Hasenfus did not request a specific sum of money but his attorney said the family spent at least $66,636 during his Nicaraguan trial and that he was owed at least $57,500 in pay.

The Sawyer family did not request a specific sum either, but noted that Secord had testified before Congress during the Iran-Contra probe that he had intended for them to receive $60,000 in death benefits.

That money was supposed to have been paid out of a Swiss bank account that was frozen after the scandal, in which Reagan administration officials sold arms to Iran to raise money for the Contras. The arms sales were made in hopes of gaining the release of American hostages in the Middle East.

At the time, Congress had forbidden aid to the Contras.

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SEABROOK, NH (AUG. 22) UPI - For the first time since it began permanent full-power operation, the Seabrook nuclear power plant shut down automatically Wednesday for undetermined reasons, a plant spokesman said.

The shutdown occurred at 9:19 a.m. in the plant's turbine, resulting in automatic disconnection from the New England power grid and the automatic shutdown of its reactor.

"This was an unexpected shutdown," said Ron Sher, a spokesman for Seabrook operator New Hampshire Yankee. "We're looking into just what the cause was. Our preliminary indication was the shutdown occurred during maintenance activities being conducted on the non-nuclear side of the plant."

Sher could not say how long the $6.6 billion plant would be idle or when a determination of the source of the problem would be made. Seabrook was operating at 100 percent power at the time of the shutdown. Sher said some steam was released from the plant as it was shut down. The steam came from clean, demineralized water.

Seabrook officially began regular full-power operation on Aug. 19, following completion of a "warranty run" of the plant's reactor, which confirmed that it meets manufacturer's specification.

At full power Seabrook produces 1,150 megawatts of electricity, enough to supply one million homes. Seabrook received its full-power license in March and produced power for the first time on May 29.

The controversial plant was first proposed in 1972. The project was plagued by construction delays, regulatory snags, court challenges and anti-nuclear demonstrations.

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HANOVER, N.H. (AUG. 22) UPI - A black professor of music at Dartmouth College who was the target of attacks by a conservative off-campus newspaper has resigned, saying his effectiveness as a teacher has been compromised.

Prof. William Cole, who has taught at the Ivy League school since 1974, was accused of incompetence by The Dartmouth Review, a weekly newspaper that has the backing of such well-known conservatives as publisher William F. Buckley and former Treasury Secretary William Simon.

''I wish I were leaving under more favorable circumstances,'' Cole said in a statement. ''I know that many people will feel that the forces which are part of my leaving Dartmouth have won a major victory. It is a problem for

Dartmouth to wrestle with.''

Cole, who taught courses in American jazz and the music of non- Western culture, was the object of a crusade against ''mediocrity in education'' by the Dartmouth Review beginning in 1983.

One article described one of his courses as an ''outrageous gut course.''

In 1988, four staff members of the newspaper confronted Cole after a class. They photographed him and tape-recorded the incident, claiming that he swore at them.

Three of the students were suspended but a state Superior Court judge ordered them reinstated.

Cole filed a $600,000 libel suit against the newspaper that was settled out of court for no money.

In his statement, Cole blamed ''a series of events that began in 1983'' for compromising ''my effectiveness as a teacher and participant in the Dartmouth Community.'' He did not specifically mention his clashes with the Dartmouth Review.

Cole said he planned to concentrate on performing, promoting the music of minority artists and taking part in ''multi-disciplinary artistic events'' after leaving Dartmouth.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Wednesday it will auction $11.5 billion in two-year notes next Tuesday and $8.5 billion in five-year notes next Wednesday.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - President Bush today issued an executive order to activate some of the nation's military reservists. The order did NOT specify how many people would be called up to fill-in for troops sent to Saudi Arabia. White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater says he does NOT anticipate Bush will call up the maximum of 200-thousand allowed by law. Fitzwater says the actual number will depend on the operational needs of the U-S Armed Forces.

The State Department says an American who's in the hands of Iraq was taken at gunpoint from his home in Kuwait City by Iraqi soldiers. The British Foreign Office says the American and 10 Britons are ''safe and well'' at

an UNdisclosed ''civilian installation.'' The 11 were captured yesterday as part of the Iraqi roundup of foreigners whom Baghdad says will provide a human shield against possible U-S attack.

It looks as if the Salvadoran government and rebels will end cease-fire talks today, but there's NO sign an accord will be reached. Negotiations are being held in a resort town eight miles northwest of San Jose, Costa Rica. Rebel negotiators blame a government team for stalling during five days of talks. The National Liberation Front rebels last Friday submitted an 18-point plan that, among other things, demands the eventual elimination of the Salvadoran military.

The Illinois Supreme Court is standing by its decision to order the appointment of guardians in a bone marrow transplant case it sent back to a lower court. At issue is whether three-year-old twins, James and Allison Curran, must take blood tests to determine if they are suitable bone marrow donors for their dying half-brother... 12-year-old Jean-Pierre Bosze. The mother of the twins disagreed with the high court's decision ordering guardians for the twins, arguing she adequately represents their interests.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - The nation's major air carriers are facing a bleak outlook for the second half of 1990 because of rising fuel costs and a sputtering national economy, industry analysts said Wednesday.

The outlook for consumers is less clear-cut, however. The Persian Gulf crisis and a stalled economy are tugging air fares in opposite directions as airlines scramble to cover costs and stimulate sagging traffic.

"There is no doubt they are caught in a squeeze," said Tim Neale, a spokesman for the Air Transport Association in Washington. "We have had people announcing fuel surcharges and we have had people announcing fare cuts. Prices are going in all different directions," he said. "I think it reflects the confusion that is out there."

Analysts said industry prospects have dimmed considerably since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait earlier this month sent oil prices soaring. "We basically think that the weaker carriers are going to have trouble succeeding or even surviving in this environment," said Helene Becker, an industry analyst at Shearson Lehman Hutton Inc. in New York.

Becker includes Eastern, Continental, Pan American World Airways and Trans World Airlines in that category. Stronger carriers, such as American, United, Delta, and Southwest, will be bloodied temporarily, she said.

George James, chairman of Airline Economics Inc., a consulting firm in Washington, said rising oil prices could add $4 billion to the industry's annual fuel bill.

"In the past month, crude prices have jumped from about $18 per barrel to over $25. The effect of that, if it were to hold, would be to add $4 billion of fuel costs to the industry annually," he said.

James, who previously had predicted a modest industry profit of $500 million for 1990, said he now believes the nation's carriers will post a combined loss of about $1 billion for the year.

Airlines typically have responded to that price hike by announcing a 5.3 percent fuel surcharge, now scheduled to take effect Aug. 30, but analysts said the surcharge won't cover the added cost.

"They have gone to 5.3 percent so that it will cover quite a bit of the cost of the fuel and not depress traffic," James said. At the same time, airlines are discounting tickets for fall travel.

Miami-based Eastern, which is operating under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, initiated the latest round of fare cuts Aug. 13. Other carriers have moved to match those discount fares.

The pressure to cut fares "comes basically because there is too much capacity in Eastern's market and they need to address that. Eventually, you are going to see airline companies ground equipment," said Becker. "That is the next step."

Some airlines already have curtailed expansion plans, while others are reviewing those plans in light of changed circumstances. On Tuesday, USAir said it would cut about 1,500 probationary employees from its payroll and trim expansion plans because of economic conditions.

A spokesman for American Airlines in Fort Worth, Texas, said that carrier is closely monitoring the sitation. "We are looking at a very poor third and fourth quarter," said American spokesman John Hotard.

"It is too early to tell about our expansion plans. But we are not anywhere near canceling our (plane) orders. We are still taking delivery but we are watching the situation daily. There are conversations and meetings going on daily to review the plans." American plans to buy 239 planes by December 1994 at a cost of about $20 billion.

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UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index 174.22 off 2.72
ASE Market Value Index 324.39 off 2.95
Dow-Jones Industrial 2560.15 off 43.81

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NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Greta Garbo's last years were so clouded by sickness and alcohol that she was not competent to sign a will that left nothing to her Swedish nephew, his lawyer argued in papers filed this week in Manhattan.

Furthermore, the prestigious New York law firm handling the Garbo estate was accused of intentionally misleading the nephew to ''lull'' him into not challenging the will before a legal deadline.

Garbo, who died April 15 at age 84, willed an estate worth between $50 million and $100 million to Gray Reisfield, a niece in New Jersey, explictly cutting out Sven Ake Fredriksson of Oxelosund, Sweden.

Described as a retired, non-English-speaking seaman with little education, Frederiksson is reportedly the illegitmate son of Garbo's older brother.

In the papers filed Monday in Surrogate's Court, Fredriksson's lawyer quoted many news reports to describe Garbo's ailments, listing heavy use of vodka and Scotch as well as kidney failure and arteriosclerosis, both of which can affect brain functions.

''The strange outlines of decedent's life are well known,'' stated an affidavit on Fredriksson's behalf recounting Garbo's career.

''She feared strangers and avoided publicity, although she remained an object of fascination to fans and the media. She associated only with a small circle of longtime friends,'' it said. ''Her odd behavior was apparently caused, in whole or in part, by a variety of physical ailments.''

Debevoise & Plimpton, the law firm representing the estate, wrote ''cordial'' letters to the nephew that would ''tend to lull the recipient into believing that there was no reason for him to take any action until he heard further,'' the papers charged. Details of the letters were not disclosed.

Representatives of the law firm could not be reached for comment.

Former state Appeals Court Judge Jacob Fuchsberg is to represent Fredriksson at a Sept. 4 hearing to argue for an extension of the deadline for challenging the will.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - New York city officials say the site where black leader Malcolm X was assassinated 25 years ago will be preserved as part of Columbia University. Officials reached a compromise late yesterday with the university to house the city's first major biotechnology center in the historic Audubon Ballroom. 11-Million dollars will be spent to preserve part of the Audubon as a health care facility and memorial to Malcolm X.

Texas Criminal Justice Board chief Charles Terrell has appointed a special panel to investigate charges that inmates were used in training dogs to track escapees. A three-member panel was appointed after charges that the board's vice chairman, Jerry Hodge, participated in a dog training exercise involving inmates. Terrell says the dog training methods are being reviewed to ensure there is NO abuse of inmates.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2560.15	off	43.81	894.34	off	14.24	196.81	off	1.69
Tuesday	2603.96	off	52.48	908.58	off	21.71	198.50	off	2.96
Week ago	2748.27	up	0.50	961.68	off	6.02	205.17	up	0.69
Month ago	2930.94	up	8.42	1141.61	up	3.65	202.65	up	2.26
Year ago	2678.11	up	27.12	1437.77	up	4.27	216.30	up	2.96
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2543.24			908.58			198.50		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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CHICAGO (AUG. 22) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev

Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	2.79 1/2	2.82 1/2	2.79	2.82 1/4	2.80 1/4
Dec	2.93 1/2	2.96 1/4	2.92 1/2	2.96	2.93 3/4
Mar	3.03	3.06	3.02 1/4	3.06	3.03 1/4
May	3.07 1/2	3.11 1/2	3.07	3.09 3/4	3.07
Jly	3.11 1/2	3.13 3/4	3.10 1/2	3.14	3.10 3/4

Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	2.52 1/2	2.54 3/4	2.51 1/2	2.53 3/4	2.51 3/4
Dec	2.44 1/2	2.46	2.43	2.45 3/4	2.44 1/2
Mar	2.53 1/2	2.54 1/4	2.51 1/4	2.54 1/4	2.53 1/2
May	2.59	2.60 1/4	2.57 1/4	2.60 1/4	2.59 1/2
Jly	2.62 1/4	2.63 1/2	2.60 3/4	2.63 1/4	2.62 3/4
Sep	2.60	2.60	2.57 1/2	2.58 1/2	2.60
Dec	2.60	2.60	2.56	2.57 3/4	2.59 1/2

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	1.17 1/2	1.17 3/4	1.15 1/2	1.16 3/4	1.17 1/2
Dec	1.29 1/2	1.29 1/2	1.28	1.28 1/2	1.29 1/2
Mar	1.39 3/4	1.40	1.38 1/2	1.39 1/2	1.40
May	1.45	1.45	1.44 1/2	1.44 1/2	1.44 1/2
Jly	1.48 3/4	1.49	1.48 3/4	1.49	1.49

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Aug	6.12	6.15 1/2	6.11	6.15 1/4	6.11
Sep	6.13 1/2	6.17	6.11	6.16 1/4	6.13
Nov	6.25 1/2	6.30	6.23 1/2	6.29 1/4	6.25 1/2
Jan	6.37 1/2	6.42	6.36 1/4	6.41 1/2	6.37 1/2
Mar	6.50	6.54 1/2	6.49	6.54 1/2	6.49 3/4
May	6.58	6.62	6.56 1/2	6.61	6.57 1/2
Jly	6.64	6.68	6.62	6.67 1/4	6.62
Aug	6.57	6.62	6.57	6.62	6.55
Sep	6.43	6.43	6.43	6.43	6.38
Nov	6.31	6.34 1/2	6.29 1/2	6.34 1/4	6.29 3/4

Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Aug	24.60	24.75	24.54	24.70	24.49
Sep	24.30	24.67	24.28	24.65	24.24
Oct	24.35	24.71	24.35	24.70	24.29
Dec	24.50	24.92	24.50	24.89	24.48
Jan	24.67	25.02	24.65	24.96	24.60
Mar	24.77	25.05	24.75	25.01	24.70
May	24.90	25.10	24.90	25.10	24.80
Jly	25.00	25.12	25.00	25.12	24.83
Aug	24.70	24.80	24.70	24.75	24.70

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Aug	177.00	177.00	176.30	176.90	176.80

Sep	178.30	178.50	175.70	177.30	177.90
Oct	180.00	180.50	177.50	178.80	179.60
Dec	183.90	183.90	181.20	182.70	183.50
Jan	185.50	185.50	182.50	184.30	184.80
Mar	188.00	188.00	185.00	186.70	187.70
May	189.20	189.20	186.80	187.70	188.40
Jly	190.80	190.80	189.50	189.60	190.20
Aug	190.00	190.00	188.50	188.50	189.50

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JERUSALEM (AUG. 22) UPI - Although clearly worried about the possiblity of an Iraqi poison gas attack, Israelis are cautiously watching the Gulf crisis from the sidelines, hoping they will not be dragged into a military conflict.

The government has strived to keep a low profile as Western and Arab nations pour troops and weapons into the Arabian Peninsula, insisting that the confrontation is between Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and the rest of the world.

Wary officials believe Saddam's accusations of an Israeli role in the U.S. military buildup and his appeals to Moslems to drive out non-believers are ploys to ensnare Israel.

''He tries to show it as an Iraqi-Israeli problem, hoping to shift some Arabs over to his side,'' one official said. ''This is his tactic and we don't want to play into it.''

Israeli politicians, normally argumentative and partisan about every topic have been silenced - with a few notable exceptions - leaving the articulation of government policy to a handful of senior Cabinet members.

''We are on our tiptoes not to be the bad guys in this episode,'' a highly placed government official said Wednesday. Critics of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir have praised his government's low-key approach to the crisis.

Defense Minister Moshe Arens has repeatedly said Israel is not a partner in the U.S. effort to force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, but at the same time he has clearly laid out the military's ''red lines'' - Iraqi troops in Jordan would not be tolerated.

Officials said Wednesday there were no signs of a redeployment of Iraqi troops or missiles that could be seen as threatening Israel and insisted Israel would not be prompted into military action by unsubstantiated reports.

Nevertheless, Israel has warned Iraq, any strike, chemical or conventional would be followed by a crushing retaliation.

Increasingly as the Gulf crisis deepens and the Middle East appears to be moving toward armed conflict, Israel's concern has focused on its normally stable neighbor Jordan where pro-Iraq support has been growing and the Jordanian army is on a defensive alert toward Israel.

Senior government officials say they are not sure Jordan's King Hussein will be able to disengage himself from Iraqi influence. Hussein has given tacit support to the Iraqi president while attempting to distance himself from the Iraqi takeover of Kuwait.

''We still think the king is in control. This does not eliminate the question marks around him,'' the official said. ''He seems to still be sitting on the fence with his center of gravity toward Israel.''

While the country's leaders closely watched the unfolding events, ordinary Israelis seemed resigned to the specter of war looming over the region, entrusting their safety to the prowess of the Israeli armed forces. Nevertheless, many people are clearly worried about the possibility of Iraqi poison gas falling from the sky.

''If a war breaks out, Israel will be involved at some stage,'' said Ilan Cohen, 34, a policeman. ''I trust in the security forces and army. But personally I think they should distribute gas masks. If a war breaks out, there will be missiles and dozens of people will be killed.''

Arens said Iraq does not have chemical warheads for its missiles and its airplanes would have great difficulty breaching Israeli air defenses. He said the military has taken all necessary steps to ensure Israel's security. As a matter of army policy no details have been released.

On the advice of the military establishment, the government has decided not to pass out stockpiled gas masks to the public, fearing such a move would cause panic and indicate Israel was preparing for war. Despite the official assurances, many Israelis have rushed out to buy gas masks and protective gear as well as stock up on staples. But after an initial flurry, the panic buying dropped off.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 22) UPI - Continental Airlines was fined $101,050 Wednesday after pleading no contest to violating air pollution laws by improperly handling ozone-depleting chemicals at an airport maintenance facility.

The airline was also placed on three years' informal probation by Municipal Court Judge Susan Isacoff. The sentence was imposed after the airline plead no contest to 20 health and safety code violations of South Coast Air Quality Management District rules.

Deputy City Attorney Teresa Lujan said the charges grew out of violations discovered during inspections in April and May 1989 at the Continental maintenance facility at Los Angeles International Airport where airplanes are stripped and repainted.

Lujan said that during the stripping process, the airline utilized equipment that used hazardous chemicals, including ozone-depleting volatile organic compounds and the known carcinogen methylene chloride, without permits and in violation of permit requirements.

"Due to the violations, there was a potential health risk to Continental employees and anyone else in and around the facility," City Attorney James Hahn said.

Hahn said the airline intentionally failed to correct the improper handling of volatile organic compounds despite being ordered to do so by inspectors. The $101,050 fines were the third highest ever assessed in an environmental case prosecuted by Hahn's office.

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DES MOINES, IA (AUG. 22) UPI - Comparing the Mideast oil crisis to a national emergency such as World War II, Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad called upon the president and Congress on Wednesday to impose government controls to staunch steep gasoline price hikes.

The two-term Republican called a special news conference at the Iowa State Fair to announce that he asked President Bush to call Congress back from its summer vacation to consider price controls. Branstad said as far as he knew, he is the first state chief executive to call for such action.

The governor said he is outraged by the latest round of gasoline price increases. After a weeklong lull prompted by consumer anger and political jawboning, pump prices around Iowa surged upward again by ten cents to 13 cents a gallon Tuesday.

"I would normally not be for price controls," said Branstad, who recently stepped down as chairman of the National Governor's Association. "I think we have an emergency situation.

"During World War II, this country did some dramatic things to control

prices then to see that we met the emergency. These are not normal times. We have the president calling up reserves. We have Americans being sent to Saudi Arabia. Yet at the same time we have some people, a few speculators, making huge profits at the expense of the consumers and farmers and homeowners, and I think it's wrong."

Branstad said obvious profiteering is occurring because the price of crude oil dropped Tuesday while gasoline futures prices eclipsed a New York Mercantile Exchange record.

"I don't think there's any doubt that there's significant gouging going on " Branstad said. "The price of crude oil went down, yet the price at the pumps went up dramatically. And we have a nine-year high in terms of supply. That is not traditional supply and demand. I know people want action."

The Iowa chief executive sent a letter to his fellow governors asking them to join his call for price controls. He warned the nation will slip into recession if the price of gasoline continues to rise unchecked.

Branstad, who is running for re-election, rejected solutions such as a windfalls profits tax, an idea suggested by Democratic opponent Don Avenson. "Such taxes merely take more money out of the consumer's pocket and give it to the government to spend," Branstad said.

The Iowa governor plans to reconvene his own energy summit meeting of petroleum company representatives, but he said simple jawboning now appears to be ineffective.

"At first, it appeared we were seeing some impact from the president's call for restraint on part of the oil companies," Branstad said. "The risk to the economy is too great to let the situation continue." The governor refused to say exactly where the price of gasoline should be set, although he said it should be near the pre-Kuwait levels.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 16,570,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,292,870,425
Bonds - $2,950,000
1990 to date - $467,400,000

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#90234u1394 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 175,550,000 shares
1990 to date - 25,961,486,152
Warrants - 1,286,200
1990 to date - 160,375,200

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#90234u1395 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 22) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	77.72	78.35	77.57	78.22	77.80
Dec	75.35	75.92	75.25	75.82	75.47
Feb	75.00	75.40	74.85	75.25	75.05
Apr	75.62	76.12	75.55	75.95	75.70
Jun	73.75	74.25	73.70	74.15	74.00
Aug	72.55	73.00	72.50	72.60	72.40
Oct	72.50	72.50	72.30	72.40	....

Est. sales 13,408 contracts; Tuesday 21,066; open interest 68,039 off 158.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	89.70	89.70	89.30	89.52	89.87
Sep	87.77	87.80	87.30	87.60	87.77
Oct	85.80	86.20	85.50	86.15	85.80
Nov	85.60	86.00	85.40	85.85	85.65
Jan	85.45	85.60	85.20	85.57	85.50
Mar	83.55	83.85	83.45	83.80	83.70
Apr	82.70	83.10	82.65	83.10	82.95
May	82.30	82.30	82.30	82.30	82.30

Est. sales 1,363 contracts; Tuesday 2,067; open interest 12,089 up 127.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	48.90	48.95	48.20	48.55	49.30
Dec	49.90	49.90	49.10	49.62	50.05
Feb	47.70	47.80	47.07	47.67	48.02
Apr	44.00	44.25	43.70	44.10	44.15
Jun	48.40	48.45	47.95	48.42	48.40
Jly	....	....	48.65	48.70	48.80
Aug	47.30	47.30	47.20	47.30	47.30
Oct	43.30	43.40	43.30	43.30	43.30

Est. sales 7,812 contracts; Tuesday 6,172; open interest 28,782 up 427.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	45.72	45.72	45.72	45.72	47.72
Feb	54.10	54.65	53.62	54.10	54.92
Mar	54.00	54.60	53.45	54.00	54.82

May 54.20 55.15 54.20 54.70 55.50
Jly 55.00 55.00 54.60 54.60 55.20
Est. sales 3,211 contracts; Tuesday 3,936; open interest 6,016 up 153.

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#90234u1397 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	414.00 up 4.25
Morning fixing	410.00 off 4.00
Afternoon fixing	408.75 off 5.25
Close	410.50 off 3.50
Paris	412.37 off 0.77
Zurich	410.00 off 4.00
Hong Kong	409.25 up 0.90
New York	
Comex spot close	411.00 up 3.60
Republic cash	410.75 up 3.75
Handy and Harman	408.75 off 5.05

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 410.09 off 5.06 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 430.59 off 5.32 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	5.129 up 0.038
Republic cash	5.145 up 0.03

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 5.11 per fine ounce up 0.035

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 5.15 up 0.025 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.511 up 0.027

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 502.50 up 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 602.50 up 0.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 118.00 unchanged per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 133.00 unchanged.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90234u1400 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 22) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Wednesday - 11,645,000
1990 to date - 1,658,835,000

The market closed sharply lower.

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#90234u1406 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1123.5
Tuesday	1126.1
Week ago	1122.7
Month ago	1143.4
Year ago	1108.0
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90234u1408 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 1 to 7 points lower. SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.98	11.03	10.87	11.02	11.09
Mar	10.80	10.87	10.69	10.85	10.89
May	10.81	10.89	10.73	10.88	10.89
Jly	10.81	10.88	10.72	10.88	10.90
Oct	10.94	10.94	10.88	10.98	11.01

Estimated sales: 13,900 contracts
Open interest: 123,526 off 265
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.05

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 15 points higher to 5 points lower.
SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.16	23.20	23.16	23.20	23.15
Jan	22.95	23.05	22.95	23.05	23.02
Mar	22.90	22.90	22.90	22.90	22.95
May	22.92	22.92	22.92	22.92	22.97
Jly	22.92	22.92	22.92	22.92	22.96
Sep	22.92	22.92	22.92	22.92	22.95

Nov 22.85 22.85 22.85 22.95 22.80
Estimated sales: 64 contracts
Open interest: 9,794 up 85

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#90234u1415 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	29.65-29.75	26.35-26.40
North Sea Brent	31.55-31.60	29.10-29.20
West Texas Intermed	31.00-31.10	28.40-28.50
Light Louisiana Sweet	31.65-31.75	29.05-29.20
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	106.10-106.35	103.25-103.50
No. 2 Heating oil	90.10-90.35	82.20-82.45
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	100.85-101.10	99.50-99.75
No. 2 Heating oil	88.70-88.95	81.20-81.35

x-Telerate revised the WTI close from Monday.

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#90234u1416 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 328.21, low 324.23, close 324.39, off 2.95.

There was a loss of 10 cents in the average share price.

Volume 20,107,100 shares, compared with 19,650,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	11
New Lows	131
Advances	137
Declines	451
Unchanged	233
Total Issues	821

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NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Philip Morris	2,512,100	43	off 7/8
Fed Natl Mtg	2,287,900	26 3/4	off 1 1/2
Genl Electric	2,286,600	60 1/4	off 1 5/8
Wal-Mart Stores	2,113,200	26 7/8	off 1/2
IBM Corp	1,973,000	99	off 1 1/2
Gen Motors	1,814,400	36 5/8	up 1/4
Boeing Company	1,780,900	45	off 1 1/8
AT&T Company	1,505,300	32 1/8	off 3/4
Citicorp	1,440,300	17 3/4	off 1/4
Coca Cola Co	1,424,700	39 1/2	off 1 7/8
Ford Motor Co	1,369,100	34 1/4	off 3/4
Waste Management	1,366,300	35	off 1/2
Navistar Intl	1,311,700	2 7/8	up 1/8
GTE Corp	1,300,000	25 1/4	off 3/8
Computer Assoc	1,267,200	7 1/8	up 1/4

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#90234u1425 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	374.84	off	4.84	411.45	461.67
Industrial	396.98	off	4..93	441.93	448.73
Finance	382.75	off	1.85	400.38	549.34
Insurance	441.59	off	8.11	472.88	532.83
Utility	502.98	off	15.03	567.57	715.09
Bank	284.85	off	1.22	298.85	484.85
Transport	419.83	off	2.74	447.27	459.56

Composite 1990 High 469.60
1990 Low 374.84
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 163.97 off 2.15
Industrial Index 156.55 off 1.96
NASDAQ-100 Index 370.03 off 6.48

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#90234u1427 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

PASADENA, CA. (AUG. 22) UPI - Engineers briefly received signals from the errant Magellan Venus probe Wednesday, indicating the spacecraft was acting on emergency instructions to search for Earth after losing contact Tuesday for the second time in a week.

A brief signal from the spacecraft was received at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory shortly after Magellan emerged from behind Venus at 12:32 p.m. PDT, more than 17 hours after the costly probe's signal suddenly faded out and more than 12 hours after engineers began ordering the craft to ''phone home.''

JPL spokeswoman Mary Beth Murrill said engineers believed the spacecraft was rotating in space, or ''coning,'' apparently after reception of emergency commands ordering Magellan to sweep the heavens with its radio antenna.

In so doing, Magellan's radio beam ultimately would sweep across Earth, 149 million miles away, allowing JPL engineers to reestablish full two-way communications.

''They got a very brief, few seconds of radio contact,'' Murrill said, ''not long enough to reestablish contact. It is consistent with coning. They are assuming the spacecraft has responded to the commands and it's coning for Earth and that contact can be re-established later today.''

While the brief ''blip'' received from Magellan did not indicate what had happened to knock it out of action, it showed the probe was still working and capable of following commands - welcome news to harried scientists and engineers who have been working around the clock to re-contact the spacecraft.

Ground controllers briefly lost contact with Magellan last week after a series of glitches, possibly triggered by a passing cosmic ray, but they were able to reestablish communications Friday. The probe was still in a protective ''safe mode'' when contact was lost again Tuesday.

Magellan represents a $551 million project to photograph the hidden surface of Venus with cloud-piercing radar beams and getting the probe into operation is crucial to NASA after problems with the Hubble Space Telescope, leaks that grounded the shuttle fleet and concern over the feasibility of the agency's space station.

''A loss of Magellan would be a severe blow,'' NASA Administrator Richard Truly told United Press International earlier Wednesday. ''It certainly would set us back. (But) I can assure you that nobody ... has anywhere near given up on it.''

JPL experiment representative Steve Wall said the way Magellan's signal faded from view Tuesday indicated the spacecraft turned its antenna away from Earth for some reason and ''we do not believe that anything like a massive failure occurred. We are very hopeful we will be able to do something.''

Engineers at JPL were studying why Magellan temporarily lost contact with Earth last Thursday when radio signals from the spacecraft broke up and faded out Tuesday night. There were no indications of any new problems at the time the signal was lost.

Here is a chronology of events (all times in PDT):

7:03 p.m.: NASA's Australian tracking station loses radio ''lock'' on Magellan.

7:06 p.m.: The tracking station picks up signals from Magellan, but the strength of the signals begins dropping. Forty-six seconds past 7:06 p.m., the signal is lost again.

7:16 p.m.: A low-level radio signal from Magellan is detected for 1 minute.

Assuming Magellan maneuvered into a new orientation, the critical question for NASA was simple: Were the probe's solar panels still aimed at the sun and generating life-giving electricity or was the spacecraft being forced to rely on limited battery power?

''When we lost signal with the spacecraft, the batteries were charged,'' said Truly. ''If the batteries are continuing to be recharged by the sun then we will eventually make contact with it and get it back.

''If, in fact, it maneuvered to a position where the solar panels were not directed toward the sun then we don't know what the configuration of the spacecraft is, it's a spacecraft emergency of the first order, I would say.''

Magellan, built by Martin Marietta Astronautics Group of Denver, dropped into orbit around Venus Aug. 10, 15 months after launch from the shuttle Atlantis.

The 2 1/2-ton solar-powered satellite was designed to ''see'' through the clouds that perpetually blanket Venus by bouncing radar beams off the planet's surface. Extensive computer processing on Earth can convert such radar data into photo-like images showing surface features as small as a football field.

Project officials said Tuesday they hoped to begin around-the-clock radar mapping operations around Sept. 1 to kick off Magellan's 243-day mapping mission.

Preliminary analysis of radar test images taken last week indicated Magellan's radar system, built by Hughes Aircraft Co. of El Segundo, Calif., was working properly, revealing a tortured surface dotted with volcanos, lava-filled valleys and fault systems indicative of powerful ''venusquakes.''

But after just one-and-a-half orbits of radar testing, engineers suddenly lost contact with Magellan last Thursday when a computer glitch threw the probe into a form of electronic hibernation.

At least three problems were to blame: loss of a computer's electronic ''heartbeat,'' trouble finding Earth and an apparent computer glitch that threw Magellan into a deeper level of dormancy.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	56 1-8	off 1 7-8
AT&T Company	32 1-8	off 3-4
BCE Corp	32 1-2	off 1-8
Bell Atlantic	42 7-8	off 1 3-4
BellSouth	51 3-4	off 7-8
Exxon Corp	51 3-8	off 1-2
Ford Motor	34 1-8	off 7-8
Genl Electric	60 1-8	off 1 3-4
Genl Motor	36 5-8	up 1-4
GTE Corp	25 1-8	off 1-2
IBM Corp	99	off 1 1-2
Mobil Corp	65 1-4	off 3-8
Nynex Corp	70	off 2
Pac Gas & El	21 1-4	off 3-8
Pac Telesis	38 1-2	off 1 1-4
Phila Elec	15	off 1-8
Sears Roebuck	28 3-4	off 1-8
Southern Co	23 1-2	unch
Swstrn Bell	49 3-8	off 1 1-2
US West Co	34	unch

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NEW YORK (UPI) - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	324.39	off 2.95
High Technology	309.11	off 8.53
Capital Goods	352.68	off 4.44
Consumer Goods	382.96	off 7.12
Service	707.56	off 14.37
Retail	1001.92	off 3.25
Natural Resources	257.64	up 0.86
Housing-Const-Land	326.46	off 3.78

There was a loss of 10 cents in the price of an Amex share.

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New England	408.32	off 8.44
Mid Atlantic	408.49	off 5.16
No Central	429.94	off 7.15
So Atlantic	915.78	off 9.54
So Central	316.84	off 4.73
Mountain	108.75	off 3.36
Pacific	365.43	off 5.88
Foreign	256.62	up 1.67

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#90234u1445 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	382.57	373.64	373.64	off 6.17
20 Trans	232.98	227.58	227.58	off 3.74
40 Utils	132.27	129.06	129.06	off 2.38
40 Fncl	24.06	23.48	23.48	off 0.40
500 Stocks	324.15	316.55	316.55	off 5.31

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#90234u1449 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Wednesday	373.64	227.58	129.06	23.48	316.55
Tuesday	379.81	231.32	131.44	23.88	321.86
Week ago	401.38	244.61	136.71	25.82	340.06
Month ago	423.11	275.77	135.65	27.97	357.09
Year ago	394.64	308.91	139.23	32.90	344.70
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	371.92	227.58	129.06	23.48	316.55

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#90234u1453 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 22) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.95	8.00	9.44
91-day Treasury bills	7.85	7.83	7.99
182-day Treasury bills	7.92	7.88	7.88
1-year Treasury bills	7.96	7.89	7.78

3-year Treasury notes	8.41	8.32	8.28
7-year Treasury notes	8.82	8.73	8.24
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	9.06	8.95	8.16
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.60	9.40	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.05	9.95	9.26
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.33	9.25	9.33
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.63	9.55	9.24
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.65	9.56	9.45
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.64	9.55	9.43

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	379.81	231.32	131.44	23.88	321.86
Opening	380.47	232.31	131.62	23.99	322.48
11 a.m.	377.91	230.62	130.54	23.78	320.20
Noon	376.96	229.84	130.43	23.70	319.43
1 p.m.	376.08	229.83	130.16	23.61	318.69
2 p.m.	377.48	229.84	130.44	23.72	319.82
3 p.m.	377.60	229.73	130.30	23.70	319.83
Close	373.64	227.58	129.06	23.48	316.55
Change	off 6.17	off 3.74	off 2.38	off 0.40	off 5.31

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#90234u1460 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - A rush by global investors into the Swiss franc in New York trading Wednesday drove the dollar sharply downward against that unit, but the U.S. currency later staged a partial recovery.

The dollar also weakened in trading against the Japanese yen and the German mark.

Currency traders said that in the present climate of Mideast war fears, Switzerland's franc has gained popularity as a refuge for global financial

assets, which run the risk of plunging in value on negative headlines.

Meanwhile, the dollar has been upstaged. ''The market tends to look for a safe-haven currency and tends not to like the dollar on (unpromising U.S.) economic fundamentals,'' said Barclays Bank trader David Jaques.

He said the Swiss franc led an attack on the dollar in early trading, pushing the U.S. unit as low as 1.2710 francs, below the postwar record low closing price of 1.2745 francs set Dec. 31, 1988.

But foreign exchange players bought back the dollar in anticipation of a news conference held by President Bush, hoping for positive news. But the president held out little hope of an end to the U.S. stalemate with Iraq.

Currency vice president Morris Armstrong of Girozentrale Vienna said players were fixated on the possibility of a Mideast war.

''There's nothing really coming out that's going to overshadow the threat of war,'' Armstrong said, adding: ''It's like (the film) 'High Noon,' and the showdown's approaching.''

Late in the New York session, the dollar was quoted at 1.5590 marks, down from 1.5640 Tuesday, and at 146.25 yen, down from 146.65 the day before.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2775 Swiss francs, down from the previous day's 1.2910; 5.2450 French francs, down from 5.2650; and 1,163.25 Italian lire, up from 1,162.

Britain's pound strengthened to $1.9235 from $1.9110.

In Europe, the dollar closed lower as dealers awaited Gulf military news amid rumors that the U.S. Federal Reserve would lower interest rates.

The dollar closed lower in Frankfurt at 1.5530 marks vs. 1.5560 and in Zurich at 1.2750 Swiss francs against 1.2855.

The close in Zurich was the lowest since 1988, when the dollar fell to an all-time low of 1.2710.

''No one wants to sell (dollars) at this level,'' said one dealer at Credit Suisse, who described the Zurich market as ''very calm'' while watching for news from the Gulf. ''Everybody was waiting for a battle there to buy dollars,'' he added. ''They were disappointed.''

The pound, at it highest level against the dollar since mid-1981, moved up on high British interest rates and greater prices for North Sea oil.

The dollar slipped in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to: 5.2420 French francs

vs. 5.2775, 31.94 Belgian francs vs. 32.30 and 1,159.90 lire vs. 1,161.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar strengthened against the yen as a nervous market watched plunging Japanese stock prices. The dollar finished at 146.92, up from 146.55 Tuesday.

Gold closed lower in Zurich at $410 an ounce against $414 and slipped in London to $410.50 an ounce against $414.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $410.75 an ounce, up from $407 Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $411 an ounce, ahead from $407.40 the day before.

Silver was unchanged at $5.15 an ounce in Zurich but fell in London to $5.15 an ounce, compared with Tuesday's close of $5.21.

Republic closed cash silver at $5.145 an ounce, up from $5.115. Comex silver concluded at $5.129 an ounce, ahead from $5.091.

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#90234u1468 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) UPI - Tiny glass beads that somehow got into a fuel line are believed to have caused a hydrogen leak that grounded the space shuttle Columbia in May, a NASA official said Wednesday.

Workers discovered between 100 and 200 glass beads between one-thousandth and three-thousandths of an inch in diameter inside a piece of equipment found leaking on the shuttle, said William Lenoir, associate administrator for space flight.

The beads were found about two weeks ago when the leaky piece of equipment a so-called ''disconnect'' assembly used to mate the shuttle to its external fuel tank, was sent to the Parker Hannifin Corp. in Irvine, Calif., where it was made, Lenoir said.

The beads could have gotten between a shaft in the disconnect assembly and a seal that prevents the hydrogen fuel from leaking, causing the problem, Lenoir said.

Officials are uncertain how the beads could have gotten into the disconnect assembly but were working with the company to find out, he said.

The only clue so far was that the beads were used at the company for other purposes when the disconnect was made in 1986, he said. The beads are used for a variety of manufacturing processes, he said.

''There's not much question in our minds that that's implicated in why did

the external tank disconnect shaft seals leak. We've been unable to find definitively how they got there,'' he said.

''In a way that's good news because that says, 'Hey there's some external something contamination that led to the leak.' And we just need to make sure we don't have that (in the future),'' he said.

The shuttle Columbia, which has been fitted with a new disconnect mechanism, is scheduled to blastoff from the Kennedy Space Center in Florida on Sept. 1 for a nine-day astronomy mission that was postponed by the leak in May.

''We've done everything we could think to do to increase the probability of launching,'' Lenoir said.

The shuttle Atlantis, which was grounded by a hydrogen leak in July that resulted from an unrelated problem, is currently undergoing repairs. That delay postponed a secret military mission.

The grounding of the shuttles came amid a series of embarrassing setbacks for the space agency, including the defective Hubble Space Telescope, that triggered a storm of criticism of NASA.

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#90234u1477 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 64 points higher to 15 points lower.

COTTON:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	72.90	73.60	72.70	73.12	72.48
Dec	70.80	71.00	70.50	70.52	70.43
Mar	72.25	72.30	71.90	71.90	71.79
May	72.61	72.90	72.60	72.65	72.60
Jly	72.80	73.00	72.50	72.52	72.48
Oct	70.00	70.00	70.00	69.70	69.83
Dec	68.10	68.25	68.00	67.85	68.00

Estimated sales: 6,000 contracts
Open interest: 34,183 up 182
The World spot average: 74.48

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(AUG. 22) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6400	off 100
TRW Inc pf D	143	off 16 7/8
Apple Bancorp	31	off 4 3/4
Coastal pf A	128	up 4
Kyocera Corp	101	off 3 1/4
Gen Mills	78	off 3 1/4
Dresser Ind	46 1/2	off 3 1/4
Home Ins pf	9 3/4	off 3 1/8
Capital Hldg	40 3/8	off 3 1/8
Katy Ind pf	56	off 3 1/8
GTE Corp pf	40 1/8	off 3 1/8

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NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	85,995,736	62	off 5 3/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	61,917,976	33	off 5/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	57,983,488	32 1/8	off 1/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	55,856,552	53 3/4	off 1/2
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	51,604,880	45	up 1/4
Ohio Casualty	(OCAS)	45,708,764	41 1/4	unch
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	36,600,728	35 1/8	off 1 1/8
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	34,982,348	26	unch
Liz Claiborne	(LIZC)	19,692,360	23 3/4	off 1/4
Amgen	(AMGN)	19,596,434	42 3/4	off 1/2

Composite Index 163.97 off 2.15

NMS volume 107,529,400 shares.

Advances	587
Declines	1,013
Unchanged	1,221
Total	2,821

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#90234u1486 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	146,100,400
Advances	722
Declines	1,267

Unchanged	2,288
Total	4,277

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#90234u1488 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Stock prices tumbled again Wednesday in a late sell-off sparked by a surge in oil prices and interest rates after remarks made at a mid-afternoon news conference by President Bush.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which sank 52.48 Tuesday, tumbled 43.81 to 2560.15.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 2.72 to 174.22 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index lost 5.31 to 316.55. The price of an average share sank 48 cents.

Declines outpaced advances 1,199-358 among the 1,985 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 175,550,000 shares, down from the 194,630,000 shares traded Tuesday.

In a news conference Wednesday afternoon, Bush repeated his demand for Iraq's unconditional pullout from Kuwait and called for that nation's old rulers to be returned to power.

Bush, speaking to reporters from his estate in Kennebunkport, Maine, said he had just received a "full and encouraging" briefing from his advisors about the deployment of forces in the Persian Gulf region.

But analysts said nothing in his statements seemed to hint at a peaceful resolution to the crisis. The President said he would not rule out the use of force and would talk with Iraq only if it pulled out of Kuwait.

Those remarks sent oil prices surging in late trading. Futures for October delivery closed up $2.51 a barrel to $31.22, the highest level since Nov. 20, 1985. The move above the $30 level sent Treasury bonds down 1 1/8 points to 96 27/32 with the yield rising above nine percent to 9.05 percent.

In addition, earlier in the day Bush activated military reservists to supplement the U.S. troops now stationed in the Gulf area to defend Saudi Arabia from a potential Iraqi invasion.

"But it was Bush's comments that triggered the higher oil prices," said Jeff Kaminsky, head of institutional sales trading at Mabon, Nugent & Co. "Bush is not saying we won't go to war and he said if a confrontation develops we're prepared for it," Kaminsky went on. "He wants unconditional (Iraqi) withdrawal and the release of Americans there and that eliminates

any chance of a dialogue."

After the remarks, "the oil pits got crazy," Kaminsky said. "So with oil up $2.50 a barrel and the bond yield at nine percent there's just no way you can make a case to own stocks here."

Stocks actually opened higher, but the advance quickly ran out of steam, and the market resumed the slide that has taken the Dow industrials down more than 400 points from its all-time high near 3000, which was reached in July.

On the trading floor, the blue chips dominated the actives list. Philip Morris was the most active issue, down 7/8 to 43. Federal National Mortgage Association followed, down 1 1/2 to 26 3/4. General Electric was third, down 1 5/8 to 60 1/4. Boeing lost 1 1/8 to 45, and IBM fell 1 1/2 to 99, both in active trading.

Among some of the other Dow components, AT&T eased 3/4 to 32 1/8, Merck tumbled 2 3/4 to 78 1/2, Coca-Cola sank two to 39 3/8, and Procter & Gamble tumbled 1 7/8 to 74 1/8.

Prices closed sharply lower in heavy trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index fell 2.95 to close at 324.39. Declines pounded advances 451-137 among the 821 issues traded. The price of an average share fell ten cents. Volume totaled 20,107,100 shares, compared with 19,650,000 shares traded Tuesday. Salomon's put warrants on the Tokyo stock market's Nikkei index led the Amex issues, up 1 1/4 to 16.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index lost 4.82 to 374.84.

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#90234u1494 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - NBC News charged Wednesday that its correspondents were not allowed into Iraq in an attempt to censor the network because of past reports on the Iraqi military buildup and use of poison gas.

Ted Koppel and Forrest Sawyer of ABC News and Dan Rather of CBS News were granted visas to report from Baghdad. All eventually were asked to leave.

Don Browne, executive vice president of NBC News, said in a statement that NBC News requested visas to enter Baghdad Aug. 3, the morning after Iraq invaded Kuwait.

''Despite repeated correspondent and conversations with Ambassador Mohamed Al-Mashat, telexes to Baghdad and aggressive efforts at the Iraq embassies

in Jordan and Cairo, NBC News has still been denied access to Iraq.

''We can only conclude that we are being censored by the Iraq government - singled out because of a series of exclusive reports on NBC Nightly News.''

He said that despite this, NBC News ''will continue to cover the situation in the Middle East fairly and objectively.''

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#90234u1496 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 11
New lows 132

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	137	5,913,400
Declines	451	7,879,800
Unchanged	233	2,776,800
Total	821	16,570,000

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#90234u1498 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - Average yields for money market mutual funds were mixed in the latest reporting week, while rates at competing savings and loan institutions also were mixed, financial information services that track these yields and rates said Wednesday.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said that average seven-day simple yields were at 7.51 percent, up from 7.50, while 30-day simple yields eased to 7.52 percent from 7.54 the previous week.

The average maturity of fund portfolios was unchanged at 45 days.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money market deposit accounts, unchanged at 5.91 percent; Super-Now accounts, unchanged at 4.98 percent; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.51 percent, down from 7.53; 1-year CDs, 7.61 percent, down from 7.63; 2 1/2-year CDs, unchanged at 7.69 percent; and five-year CDs, unchanged at 7.79.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.27 percent up from 8.25.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage rose in the latest week to 9.69 percent from 9.62, and the average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate

mortgage reached 10 percent from 9.92.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan rose to 12.27 percent from 12.26 percent.

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#90234u1501 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	383.02	374.75	374.84	off 4.84
Industrial	406.20	396.86	396.88	off 4.93
Finance	385.53	382.33	382.75	off 1.85
Insurance	451.36	441.04	441.59	off 8.11
Utility	517.34	502.98	502.98	off 15.03
Bank	286.14	283.95	284.85	off 1.22
Transport	426.54	418.99	419.83	off 2.74

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-22) 374.84

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	163.97 off 2.15
Industrial Index	156.55 off 1.96
NASDAQ-100 Index	370.03 off 6.48
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.50 off 0.11
Volume	107,529,400 shares
Advances	587
Declines	1,013
Unchanged	1,221
Total	2,821

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#90234u1504 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

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#90234u1508 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) UPI - The Pentagon said Wednesday it is sending four mine sweepers to the Middle East to help clear the waters should Iraq attempt to disrupt the international flotilla trying to isolate the country.

The USS Adroit, USS Leader, USS Avenger and USS Impervious will be ferried to the region on large commercial ship. The largest of the four, the Avenger, is only 188 feet long.

The ships are built with fiberglass sheathing over a wooden hull and the powerful engines are made of aluminum, which will not attract magnetically activated mines. All are lightly armed and have crews ranging from 45 to 77.

Some of the vessels saw service in 1987 when Navy ships escorted reflagged Kuwaiti oil tankers in the Persian Gulf, hauling oil whose sale benefitted Iraq during its long war with Iran.

During the 1987 operation, some of the crewmen aboard the mine sweepers were reservists, but a Navy spokesman was uncertain Wednesday whether reserve forces would be assigned to the ships once they arrive.

The ships are being hauled aboard the commercial vessel because their cruising speed is slow compared to other naval vessels. Their size also makes them poor open-water vessels in rough weather.

The Pentagon also announced that elements of the Third Army headquarters at Fort McPherson in Atlanta have started to go to the Middle East. The Third Army is the Army component of the Central Command, which is overseeing operations in the Persian Gulf and is responsible for contingency planning as well as command and control of all Army units in

the Southwest Asia theater.

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#90234u1510 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 442.00, off 1.44 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90234u1515 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - The site of Malcolm X's assassination will be preserved as a museum and memorial to the black leader under a deal reached Wednesday allowing Columbia University to build a biotechnology center in half of the historic building.

Columbia originally had wanted to tear down the entire Audubon Ballroom in Washington Heights, where Malcolm X was slain 25 years ago.

But it was forced to compromise because of pressure from the community, with a citywide coalition of black activists charging the university's plan would be a desecration of his memory.

After weeks of debate, city officials on the Board of Estimate finally reached agreement on the $37.5 million project in a lengthy session that ended at 1:15 a.m.

The deal calls for preserving details of the ballroom's decorative terra cotta facade and some 55 percent of its interior, including the entire stage where Malcolm X was assassinated, to provide space for a memorial and museum and a community health center.

The rest of the building will house Columbia's biomedical research center, which is required to make a special effort to train and employ minorities.

The project will be paid for through a combination of funds from Columbia, the state and the city.

Mayor David Dinkins had found himself at odds with many black community groups because he sided with Columbia, which argued it would prove too costly to save the ballroom.

Dinkins said the center, which always was to contain some form of memorial would generate jobs and boost the development of the economically depressed neighborhood.

But as pressure grew, Dinkins worked out a compromise supported by Malcolm X's widow, Betty Shabazz, to save some 40 percent of the building.

Opponents led by Manhattan Borough President Ruth Messinger held out for more, likening the effort to the successful campaign to save the Lorraine Motel site where Martin Luther King was assassinated in Memphis, Tenn., in 1968.

Both sides ended up hailing the final agreement.

''Malcolm X is widely remembered as a powerful leader of the African-American community throughout the world,'' Dinkins said. ''The compromise we have reached will further his dream of economic justice while also creating a fitting memorial in his honor.''

Dinkins said the project would generate 250 jobs during construction and 300 permanent jobs.

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#90234u1526 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	177.21	174.22	174.22	off 2.72
Industrial	221.00	217.31	217.31	off 3.42
Transport	142.27	139.01	139.01	off 2.95
Utility	85.02	83.52	83.52	off 1.34
Finance	124.45	122.43	122.43	off 1.68

Equivalent to a loss of 48 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 175,550,000 shares.

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#90234u1531 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - A former top aide to U-S Attorney General Richard Thornburgh... Henry Barr... pleaded innocent today to cocaine-related charges. Barr entered the plea at an arraignment in federal court in Scranton, Pennsylvania. Barr was an adviser to Thornburgh at the Justice Department before resigning last year.

The head of the Consumer Product Safety Commission is issuing a warning to parents about buckets of water. Commission head Jacqueline Jones-Smith says that every other week somewhere in the United States, children left unattended falls head first into a bucket of water and drowns.

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#90234u1559 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 22) UPI - A federal jury in the retrial of U.S. District Judge Robert Aguilar Wednesday convicted him of lying to the FBI and disclosing wiretap information, but acquitted him of a more serious charge of conspiring to obstruct justice and two lesser counts.

Aguilar sat impassively as the verdicts were read by the jury foreman, but moans could be heard from the crowd of spectators in the cavernous courtroom.

The verdict was reached after 4 1/2 days of deliberation.

Aguilar could face 5 years in prison and $250,000 in fines on each charge and separate action for impeachment by Congress from his lifetime post.

He will be sentenced Nov. 1 by U.S. District Judge Louis Bechtle.

It was Aguilar's second trial since his original indictment on eight charges in 1989. The first trial ended March 19 with one acquittal on a charge of conspiracy to obstruct justice. Jurors remained deadlocked on the remaining counts, prompting the retrial.

Aguilar, 59, was the first federal judge in the nation charged with using his office as a racketeering enterprise. That count was dropped along with one other by prosecutors prior to the second trial.

Of four federal judges indicted in the last decade, Aguilar was only the second convicted. The other three judges were eventually impeached by Congress.

Jurors in the first case soundly criticized the government for its prosecution of Aguilar and voted solidly in favor of acquittal.

Bechtle ordered jurors in the second trial to be isolated from the media.

Paul Meltzer, Aguilar's attorney, said, ''I am personally saddened by the verdict ... it will end a long and distinguished career.''

Meltzer said he was surprised jurors convicted Aguilar of one count of disclosing wiretap information and lying to the FBI while acquitting him of two other identical charges involving separate incidents.

William Keefer, a Justice Department attorney who prosecuted Aguilar, said ''I am pleased with the guilty verdict. It was supported by the evidence.''

Aguilar went into seclusion with his family and did not comment following the verdict.

Jurors Wednesday acquitted Aguilar of the charge that he conspired with two felons to influence another judge in the handling of a criminal case.

He was convicted on one of two counts of lying to the FBI about his role in the alleged conspiracy and convicted on one of two charges he disclosed wiretap information.

Aguilar, one of the nation's few Hispanic federal judges, was appointed to the powerful lifetime post in 1980 by President Jimmy Carter.

The original June 13, 1989, indictment also named Abe ''The Trigger'' Chapman, 84, related by marriage to Aguilar and a reputed 1930s Mafia assassin, and Rudy Tham, 66, a convicted Teamsters Union embezzler whom Aguilar is accused of helping in a criminal case.

Tham was convicted of conspiracy to obstruct justice in a July retrial. His original trial with Aguilar ended with the jury deadlocked.

Chapman awaits his second trial.

Aguilar's indictment in 1989 culminated an 18-month investigation by federal prosecutors from the Public Integrity branch of the Justice Department.

Aguilar is the first federal judge charged under the 1970 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act, RICO, used to fight organized crime.

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#90234u1570 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 22) UPI - Despite his calls for Americans to conserve energy during the Persian Gulf crisis, President Bush said Wednesday he will not curtail jaunts aboard his fuel-thirsty speedboat ''Fidelity.''

''I'm going to keep using my boat,'' Bush said at a news conference at his seaside home when asked about the apparent contradiction. He also said the U.S. energy supply is plentiful enough that Americans should not forego vacations.

''I simply say there's a lot of people in industry looking forward to their vacations,'' Bush said, ''and I don't say they shouldn't use their recreation facilities.''

The president called on Americans to conserve energy shortly after the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of oil-rich Kuwait and the subsequent U.S. military deployment in the area. Oil prices, and gasoline pump prices, have since skyrocketed.

Despite the crisis, Bush decided not to postpone his yearly summer vacation in Maine, telling reporters, ''Life goes on.'' Shortly afterward, television newscasts juxtaposed film clips of U.S. troops being deployed in the Middle East with shots of Bush golfing and boating aboard Fidelity, which burns 25 gallons of fuel an hour.

Bush, who said he didn't want the crisis to make him a hostage in the White House, says he can keep on top of the situation with the sophisticated communications facilities in Kennebunkport. He also interrupted his vacation for two brief trips to Washington to confer with aides.

The president is scheduled to remain on vacation in Maine until Labor Day, Sept. 3.

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#90234u1610 08/22/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 22) UPI - C O R R E C T I ON:

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#90234u1624 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 22) UPI - Crude oil soared by more than $3 a barrel Wednesday in a rally triggered by a Saudi oil company's notification that it would suspend deliveries of petroleum products to Japan and fed by fears of an imminent shooting war in the Mideast.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery surged $2.35 over Tuesday to a 57-month high of $31.22 a barrel, the highest Merc closing price since the $31.72 of Nov. 20, 1985.

It brought the benchmark crude's rise to $9.68, or 45 percent, since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait propelled oil markets into an upward spiral.

On the European cash market, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - rocketed $3.30 to $29.65 a barrel, a rise of $11.55, or 63.8 percent since the invasion.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent soared $2.45 to $31.55 a barrel, $11.05, or 53.9 percent, higher than its Aug. 1 quote.

Unleaded gasoline for September delivery shot up 2.85 cents to $1.0411 a gallon on the Merc, 39.84 cents, or 62 percent, higher than its Aug. 1 close.

Home heating oil rocketed 7.64 cents to 91.35 cents a gallon, up 30.15 cents, or 49.3 percent, since the invasion.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast cash market, prompt delivery WTI gained $2.60 to $31 a barrel over Tuesday.

Samarec, Saudi Arabia's state-owned refining and marketing company, notified Japanese companies Wednesday that it would stop supplying petroleum products, including jet fuel in September.

The decision was reportedly made to free oil supplies for the U.S.-led multinational military force in Saudi Arabia.

''That's what triggered the rally,'' said Michael McDermott of Paine Webber Inc. in New York.

''That's what got the products moving up this morning,'' agreed Bill Hinton of New York's Stotler & Co.

The higher prices were sustained ''because people believe we're about to get into a shooting war and no one wants to sell,'' McDermott said.

Hinton said there are rumors circulating in the Middle East that the United States plans air attacks this weekend on targets in Iraq or Kuwait.

The callup of U.S. reserves announced by President Bush at a news conference at his Kennebunkport, Maine vacation home also strongly showed the United States was ''not backing down,'' Hinton said.

He said the upward price surge also was spurred by reports of Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., a member of the Senate Intelligence Committee, predicting that Bush may find it necessary to launch surgical air strikes to protect about 3,000 Americans being held in Iraq.

The Japanese industrial sources said approximately 40 percent of Japan's light-oil and 13 percent of its jet-fuel imports come from Saudi Arabia. But it was not immediately clear how much of that came from Samarec, they said.

Japan was a large importer of Kuwaiti crude oil and could eventually be hurt by the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo imposed on Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports in the wake of the invasion.

There were other indications that the deletion of 4 million barrels daily of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude was tightening the supply situation on world markets.

Jordan said it was increasing its imports of Saudi oil to replace Iraqi supplies and a government official in Ankara said Turkey was close to an agreement with the Saudis to compensate for the oil it has lost through the embargo.

In Manila, Philippine Foreign Affairs Secretary Raul Manglapus said he will visit Tehran in the next several days to discuss the possibility of Iran making up its loss of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude.

Iran had offered to supply the Philippines with 40,000 barrels of oil a day, Manglapus said.

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#90234u1654 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

OAKLAND, Calif. (AUG. 22) UPI - American President Cos. announced vague plans Wednesday to cut costs by firing an unspecified number of workers and ''eliminating non-essential functions.''

The transportation company, which has suffered from slumping trans-Pacific container shipments, said the restructuring would result in an undetermined charge against fourth-quarter earnings.

In a statement, American President said it would review all operations with an eye to reduce expenses, particularly in overhead and staffing.

The company gave no details, except to say the restructuring would take place in two phases, one this year and one in 1991, both involving ''some layoffs.'' At the start of the year, the company employed 4,994 people worldwide.

In the six months ended June 29, American President reported a loss of $1 million on revenue of $1.1 billion.

American President said it would cut all functions not essential to its core business, container distribution and transportation within and between Asia and North America by sea, rail and truck.

In the last quarter, the company's international shipping volume dropped and price competition cut into profits on shipments within Asia, American President said. Last year, the company conceded that a program to increase shipping capacity had been ''overly ambitious.''

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#90234u1708 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

HAYWARD, Calif. (AUG. 22) UPI - Uncle Sam says, ''Break into a computer, go to jail.'' A computer security company said Wednesday, ''Break into our

computer, go to Tahiti.''

LeeMah DataCom Security Corp., of Hayward, issued a ''hacker challenge'' Wednesday.

The company, which provides security systems to protect computers from unauthorized intrusions, challenged computer pirates to break the codes protecting a secret message hidden in its computers.

The first person to gain access to the message will win a vacation for two to Tahiti or St. Moritz, Switzerland, LeeMah said.

''We want to show the world that hackers can be beaten,'' LeeMah President John Tuomy said.

The message is stored in personal computers at the San Francisco and New York offices of the accounting firm Coopers & Lybrand, which is overseeing the contest. The computers are protected by the TraqNet security system developed by LeeMah.

LeeMah supplied a password to access the computer, 533624, and gave contestants two weeks to try to crack four levels of security to reach the message.

The company issued a similar challenge last year and logged 7,476 unsuccessful attempts. This year it added five extra phone lines to take incoming calls from hacker computers.

''When we announced the challenge last year, a lot of hackers boasted that it was going to be child's play,'' Tuomy said. ''When we beat them, some of them said it was because we only had one phone line and they couldn't get through. Now we're giving them their best shot.''

Tuomy estimated the odds of defeating the various levels of security protecting the message were one in 72 quadrillion.

The contest flies in the face of government efforts to discourage computer hackers with stiff criminal penalties. In February, a 24-year-old Atlanta man and two others were indicted on felony charges of conspiracy and wire fraud after they allegedly broke into BellSouth's telephone network.

''One problem you have with this contest is they are advocating tele-crime '' said Ian Murphy, a well-known Philadelphia hacker and security expert who goes by the moniker Captain Zap. ''Hackers don't pay phone bills.''

Hackers typically avoid the huge phone bills for their computer hook-ups by charging calls to numbers posted on computer bulletin boards. Some directly access phone company computers to defeat the switches that route

calls.

Tuomy said he did not know if hackers paid for calls to the challenge, but the company had no reports of tele-crime during last year's contest. If telephone companies spotted a number of illicit calls to the challenge, they probably would have notified LeeMah, he said.

Rather than encouraging hacking, the contest is intended to show what can be done to defeat hackers, Tuomy said.

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#90234u1713 08/22/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) UPI - Vegetable prices skyrocketed early this year as the result of a crop-killing freeze in the South but they have fallen and may show only a small overall increase for the year, the government said Wednesday.

In a pair of reports, the Agriculture Department estimated fresh vegetable prices would rise 4 percent to 6 percent this year, compared to a projected food price increase of 5 percent to 7 percent.

''The consumer price index for fresh vegetables ... declined 20 percent during the second quarter from its freeze-induced record high in the first quarter,'' the department said. ''Although first-quarter retail prices for tomatoes, peppers and cabbage were especially high compared with a year earlier, prices receded to more normal levels during the second quarter.''

Preliminary estimates showed per-capita consumption of vegetables, not counting potatoes, sweet potatoes or canning tomatoes, increased 1 percent last year to 140 pounds.

''Most of the gain resulted from increased use of fresh vegetables, especially lettuce and sweet corn,'' the department said. ''Sweet corn and lettuce production ... improved last year and use rose 12 (percent) and 6 percent.''

Per-capita use of canning vegetables fell 4 percent last year to 21.1 pounds and use of freezing vegetables fell 6 percent, to 17 pounds a person.

Grower prices for fresh vegetables have averaged 6 percent lower than in the first seven months of last year despite a 19 percent price increase during the first quarter of this year. The spring vegetable crop was larger than normal.

Processors of the five major processing vegetables - snap beans, sweet corn, green beans, tomatoes and cucumbers - contracted for an additional 8

percent in acreage this year. Production of the five crops was projected to total 15 million to 16 million tons, compared to 14.5 million tons last year.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 22) UPI - The Army said Wednesday it had no policy of telling Jewish soldiers headed to Saudi Arabia they had the option of getting new dog tags that do not list their religion.

Sen. Daniel P. Moynihan, D-N.Y., raised the issue in a letter to Defense Secretary Dick Cheney. Moynihan reported that a constituent had called to say their son ''was advised of the 'option''' of receiving a non-Jewish identity tags, including non-denominational dog tags, prior to his departure to Saudi Arabia.

Maj. Joe Padilla, an Army spokesman, said there was no policy that directed those processing soldiers for Saudi Arabia to advise Jewish soldiers they could get new dog tags made that listed either no denomination or a Protestant religion.

He said machines to cut new tags are routinely available at processing locations but any change is typically initiated by the individual soldier, not through any Army policy.

One senior Pentagon official said the Saudis put no restrictions on women, chaplains or personnel of any religion in the U.S. troop deployment and said it was entirely possible a sergeant told a Jewish soldier he might want to consider changing his dog tags.

''Is that Army policy? Of course not,'' said the official.

Chaplains with the troops have conducted Christian religious services even though Islamic practices followed in Saudi Arabia bar such services.

Moynihan said Saudi Arabia has refused visas to Americans who are Jewish. And Mark Talisman of the Council of Jewish Federations said he was unaware of any such steps in the military, but noted that the State Department has run into similar situations with its personnel in Saudi Arabia.

''It's something they run into when confronted with the reality of what the Saudis would and would not allow,'' said Talisman.

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UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 22) UPI - President Bush tacitly acknowledged

Wednesday that his diplomats at the United Nations have met with Soviet reservations on U.S. call for U.N. backing of the military enforcement of sanctions against Iraq.

But Bush stressed he had ''no argument'' with the level of Soviet cooperation in the Persian Gulf crisis, and indicated the United States would hold its stance in the Gulf with its allies while awaiting U.N. action.

Bush, in a news conference at his summer home in Kennebunkport, Maine, said he consulted with top advisers on ''should we give the United Nations more time to take more productive action?''

U.S. diplomats have offered the Security Council a draft resolution enabling the United States and other forces in the gulf to use the ''minimum force necessary'' to back up a U.N. economic embargo of Iraq.

Passage of the resolution has stalled in talks to determine if military enforcement in necessary and to decide the role of the United Nations if such action is taken.

American forces have ''made clear to the (Iraqi-related) shipping that they can be stopped,'' the president said, continuing, ''So my question is how much more United Nations action is required?''

''Many countries are prepared to fully enforce these actions,'' Bush added ''If there's some U.N. action that will help, so much the better.''

In Moscow earlier, Soviet spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh said the Kremlin urged caution in talks on a U.N. Security Council proposal that would allow the use of the ''minimum force'' necessary to economically seal off Iraq.

''The potential of political measures has not been exhausted,'' the Foreign Ministry official said. ''In such a serious situation, in the area of the use of force, we must not take hasty decisions. We must be careful.''

He added, reflecting current U.S.-Soviet amity, ''We are not saying the United States is wrong or right, but there must be consultations.''

There was little indication that U.S., Soviet, British, French and Chinese diplomats at the United Nations were nearing agreement. As permanent members of the Security Council, all may veto any resolution.

After talks at the French Mission to the U.N. broke around midday, a Soviet official in New York echoed Gremitskikh. But U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering said discussions, expected to continue, were encouraging.

The diplomatic source said a central point of talks was how far to go in the U.S.-proposed military enforcement plan, saying he thinks it is a matter of defining differing views on what constitutes ''minimum'' action.

Overall, Washington's diplomatic campaign at the United Nations to gain the support of the permanent council members and a nine-member majority of the 15 full Security Council members, seemed to have stalled.

U.S. officials said they were looking for a loose U.N. mandate allowing U.S., British and other forces to interdict by force, if necessary, violations of a U.N. economic blockade of Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait.

But other Security Council members, led by the Soviets, that more evidence is required to show that the economic sanctions imposed Aug. 6 by Security Council Resolution 661 are not being observed.

Even if they were to accept the proposition that military force is needed to assure Iraq feels the bite of sanctions, the Soviet Union and France want more direct U.N. oversight of the use of its mandated force.

Washington has proposed that the U.N. Military Staff Committee coordinate the U.N. enforcement effort, keeping the Security Council informed but leaving each nation to take unilateral decisions as to the use of force.

Other nations say that amounts to giving U.S. forces carte blanche and insist U.N. approval should be required before force is used.

But the military staff committee has never once been called into action since it was created in 1945 under the U.N. Charter. The question has been raised as to whether it should be tested in the current crisis.

Elsewhere, U.N. emissaries sent to Baghdad pressed the Iraqi foreign minister on the issue of foreign residents held as hostages.

A U.N. spokeswoman said the envoys, Virenda Dayal of India and Kofi Annan of Ghana had a ''very systematic and deep discussion'' with Tariq Aziz, the foreign minister, but declined to provide details of the talks.

The Security Council has demanded Iraq ''permit and facilitate'' the immediate departure from Iraq and Kuwait of third-country nationals.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - Jordan closed its border with Iraq at midnight Wednesday to prevent foreign nationals from flooding into the country from Iraq and occupied Kuwait, but officials in Amman indicated that commerce with Iraq would continue.

Iraq, meanwhile, pledged to free some French and Japanese hostages in an explicit and unabashed effort to fracture the almost monolithic U.S.-led international isolation of Bagdhad.

And sources said Iraqi occupation troops in Kuwait were forcing Kuwaitis at gunpoint to flush out hidden Americans and other foreigners, presumably to be used in Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's human shield to deter a Western attack.

In another development, state-owned Baghdad Radio reported late Wednesday that Saddam would address ''an open message'' to the Iraqi people on radio and television on Thursday to respond to Tuesday's peace call by Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Mubarak appealed to Saddam to ''save mankind from a destructive war,'' which he said would take the Arab world ''backward to darkness and loss.''

Also Wednesday, an Iraqi military spokesman said two unidentified jet fighters coming from Saudi Arabia violated Iraqi airspace at 11.04 a.m.

In Jordan, Interior Minister Salem Masaadeh said his country could no longer accommodate any more refugees from Iraq, and would keep the border sealed until the estimated 100,000 foreign refugees in Jordan had been repatriated.

''Since the beginning of the Gulf crisis, Jordan has done all it could to provide facilities for all comers from Iraq snd Kuwait,'' Masaadeh said.

''But numbers (of refugees) have been rising so rapidly that the Jordanian government is no longer capable of handling the problem ... the decision to close the border with Iraq will maintain the sanitary conditions of those (refugees) already in Jordan.''

It was not immediately clear whether Jordanian border guards would hand over foreign nationals to Iraqi troops if they succeeded in escaping from the clutches of the Iraqi army.

Jordan's King Hussein hinted at a news conference in Amman earlier Wednesday that his country could not afford to accommodate, feed, clothe and offer washing and medical facilities for all the refugees, many of whom are impoverished Asians and Egyptians.

In Baghdad meanwhile, U.N. envoys trying to arrange for the release of thousands of Western hostages in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait ended three hours of talks Wednesday with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz, Baghdad Radio said. The radio said the talks would resume on Thursday.

In New York, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations claimed some progress in efforts to persuade the Security Council to sanction the U.S. use of military might to enforce the U.N.-ordered trade embargo of Iraq and occupied Kuwait. But the Soviet ambassador said a use of force would be ''premature.''

The speaker of Iraq's National Assembly announced what he called a goodwill initiative to allow some French and Japanese to leave Iraq.

''In the hope of reversing the stances of some countries that have sided with the Americans, the people's representatives in the National Assembly have decided today to allow a number of French and Japanese citizens to leave Iraq,'' the official Iraqi News Agency reported.

There was no immediate word on the number of those to be allowed out of Iraq, or whether the French citizens allowed to go would include any of those arrested in a roundup of at least 214 Westerners - including Americans, Britons and West Germans - in Iraq and Kuwait.

At a news conference at his summer home in Maine, President Bush said he had detected in recent statements from Saddam a tone of frustration at Iraq's ''worldwide isolation,'' including the U.N. embargo.

''He's trying to whip up support and make this Iraq vs. the United States '' Bush said. ''In fact, it's Iraq vs. the rest of the world.''

In other developments:

-U.S. warships continued to shadow an undetermined number of Iraqi vessels in the Persian Gulf region.

-The Soviet Union said nearly 200 military advisers are still training the Iraqi army to use Soviet weapons, despite strong Soviet condemnation of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Col. Valintin Ogortsov said the 193 Soviet experts in Iraq were not advising Iraq on military operations.

''There are processes that are not very easy to stop,'' Ogortsov said. ''We are under certain (contractual) obligations.''

-Iraq again demended that foreign embassies in Kuwait - which Iraq claims to have annexed - close and transfer operations to Baghdad by Friday. The United States, the 12-member European Community, Japan and other nations

have said they will not comply. Baghdad Radio warned diplomats they risked being stripped of their diplomatic status if they remain, but the State Department said Wednesday that U.S. Ambassador Nathaniel Howell will stay in Kuwait.

-In Jordan, King Hussein said he would leave Thursday on a tour of the region to try to mediate the crisis. ''We hope still we can move toward defusing the situation,'' he said. ''I believe very much there is an Arab role to be played.''

Thomas Pickering, U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, said a meeting Wednesday of the five permanent members of the Security Council had produced progress on the U.S. request for authority to back the trade embargo with military muscle.

Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh said in Moscow the Soviet Union was urging caution on the U.S. request. ''The potential of political measures has not been exhausted,'' Gremitskikh said. ''We must not take hasty decisions. We must be careful.''

The Soviet U.N. representative, Valentin Lozinsky, said a use of force in the gulf would be ''premature.''

President Bush said at his news conference he was ''not prepared to say'' if he would wait for U.N. approval before ordering U.S. forces to go beyond Saturday's firing of warning shots in the Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman, a tactic that failed to stop two Iraqi tankers.

''We feel we have all the authority we need (to unilaterally enforce U.N. sanctions) and the world leaders I've talked to ... agree we have all the authority we need,'' Bush said.

''The signal must go out to the world that many countries are fully prepared to enforce these sanctions. And if there is more U.N. action to help, so much the better,'' he said.

Bush activated military reservists to supplement the U.S. troops now stationed in the Persian Gulf area, defending Saudi Arabi from a potential Iraqi invasion.

Iraq has asserted it will not attack its Saudi neighbor and has accused the United States of planning a ''war of aggression.'' Aziz reiterated Iraqi assertions that Westerners detained in Iraq and Kuwait ''are not hostages,'' but rather that Iraq was ''hosting them'' with families.

The United States and Great Britain have urged their citizens in Iraq and Kuwait to disobey Iraqi orders that they gather at designated hotels, presumably to be dispatched for use in what Iraq has described as a human

shield around important military and other key installations. Iraq has said that citizens of ''aggressive nations'' would be kept near those sites as a deterrent against attack by U.S.-led forces.

''We now have a confirmed report that one American and eight British citizens in Kuwait were rounded up from their homes by the Iraqi military '' U.S. State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said. ''The Iraqis apparently forced (a Kuwaiti) man at gunpoint to identify apartments that were homes of Westerners.''

Despite the arrests, the State Department urged the estimated 2,500 Americans in Kuwait to remain in their homes and keep a low profile.

Government reports indicated at least 214 Americans, Britons, French and West Germans had been rounded up by Iraqi troops, and many taken to undisclosed locations. The State Department said at least 54 Americans were known to be in Iraqi custody, but the exact location of most was not known and it was feared there might be more of which the United States was not aware.

Kuwaiti exile sources also said Iraqi occupation forces had publicly executed many people in Kuwait, including Iraqi soldiers, on charges of looting.

''Iraqi morale is in shambles,'' a Kuwaiti government source said. ''They are trying to maintain a facade of order by killing many people for looting. ... They are hanging Kuwaitis, foreigners and even Iraqi soldiers in the streets. ... They are losing control.''

In an executive order authorizing the first mobilization of reserves for potential combat duty since the Vietnam Tet offensive in 1968, President Bush did not specify how many troops would be immediately involved.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the number of reserve personnel to be called up will depend upon the needs of the services.

''But, at this time, we do not anticipate approaching the full 200,000'' allowed by law, Fitzwater said.

On Tuesday, the United States shrugged off Iraq's latest offer to negotiate a settlement of the crisis, saying talks could only begin once Baghdad acknowledges worldwide condemnation and withdraws its forces from Kuwait.

Fitzwater said U.S. warships were tracking several Iraqi oil tankers and supply ships in the Middle East. On Saturday, U.S. warships fired shots over the bows of two Iraqi tankers moving out of the Persian Gulf, but the tankers did not stop. U.S. and British warships have orders to intercept

Iraqi shipping as part of a U.N. embargo.

Yemen sent contradictory signals Wednesday on whether it would back U.N. sanctions. A government spokesman dismissed reports that Yemeni gunboats would intercept Iraqi tankers trying to unload crude in the port city of Aden. ''Yemen does not intend to obstruct international navigation in the Red Sea area,'' the spokesman said.

But Yemen also said offloading of an Iraqi tanker at Aden Tuesday was halted after five hours.

''Vessels docking at the port of Aden do not unload except through consultations with the United Nations,'' the spokesman said on Yemen Radio. He said Yemen would seek U.N. compensation for revenue lost because of the embargo of Iraqi oil meant for Yemen's Aden refinery.

The Washington Post reported Wednesday that two more Iraqi tankers were waiting offshore of the tip of the Arabian Peninsula. One of the two vessels was the Baba Karkar, which drew U.S. warning shots Saturday, the Post said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 22) UPI - The pilots' union of Eastern Airlines Wednesday quit the bankrupt carrier's creditors committee, protesting what it called ''unscrupulous legal maneuverings'' by other creditors.

The Air Line Pilots Association withdrew just prior to a hearing on Eastern's efforts to have the both the pilots' and machinists' unions removed from the committee over alleged leaks of confidential information.

Eastern has accused the unions of using confidential information from the committee in a campaign to persuade travel agents not to book passengers on the financially beleaguered carrier.

The unions, which are among Eastern's largest creditors, had attempted to subpoena other members of the committee over the alleged leaks, but the subpoenas were quashed Tuesday by the federal bankruptcy court judge overseeing the airline's Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings, ALPA said in a statement.

''The withdrawal was precipitated by a series of unscrupuluous legal maneuverings, '' the union said.

Some members of the creditors comittee deliberately left town to avoid the subpoenas, the union charged.

When the bankruptcy judge quashed the subpoenas ''at the request of the corporate creditors, it became obvious that they needed a scapegoat to cover their tracks,'' said Capt. Skip Copeland, a union spokesman.

''Rather than submit as willing victims to this travesty, we decided to pull out in protest,'' he said.

The effort to remove ALPA and the International Association of Machinists from the committee was initiated by Martin Shugrue, who was appointed trustee to oversee Eastern in April, and supported by the creditors committee, said Joel Zweibel, an attorney for the committee.

''Evidence that they breached the confidentiality provision was overwhelming,'' Zweibel said. ''They went on a campaign to try to dissuade travel agents from booking passengers, using confidential information they got as committee members.''

The unions allegedly used information presented to the committee privately by Shugrue in May, Zweibel said.

Using information ''portraying the airline in the worst possible light, they went to travel agents with a packet of material and said, 'See how bad things are? Don't book passengers on Eastern,''' Zweibel said.

The creditors committee has strict confidentiality rules that were ''simply disregarded,'' Zweibel said.

Eastern's unions representing pilots, machinists and flight attendants walked off the job in a bitter contract dispute in March 1989. The carrier filed for bankruptcy protection five days later.

The pilots' and flight attendants' unions have since called off their walkouts, although the IAM remains on strike.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - Jurors in Miami are deliberating for a second day in an Iran-Contra civil suit... while defense attorneys argue that the federal court has NO jurisdiction. Nicaraguan Contra supplier Eugene Hasenfus and the family of the co-pilot he worked with are suing former Air Force Major General Richard Secord and Southern Air Transport of Miami. Hasenfus and his partner were shot down in Nicaragua in 1986. The co-pilot died.

Dartmouth College Professor William Cole has stepped down from his post. Cole said he wished he was ''leaving under more favorable circumstances.'' Cole is a black educator who was criticized by an off-campus newspaper as incompetent. Cole did NOT cite his run-ins with the conservative

Dartmouth Review as the reason for his departure. Cole had taught at the Ivy League school since 1974.

A lawyer for a relative of the late actress Greta Garbo says the star was so clouded by sickness and alcohol that she was NOT competent to sign her will. The will left NOthing to her Swedish nephew... whose lawyer filed the papers this week in Manhattan. The lawyer noted that Garbo's drinking and ailments... and what he called her ''strange'' life... including her fear of strangers and small circle of friends.

Two leading atmospheric scientists today contradicted an earlier report by saying that a reduction in the sun's energy will NOT make up for global warming from the ''greenhouse effect.'' The Bush administration puts stock in a report last year downplaying global warming because of an expected reduction in the sun's heat. But a report published today says the sun's fluctuations would NOT make enough of a difference.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - Jordan closed its border with Iraq tonight. Jordan's Interior Minister said the action would stand until some 100-thousand foreigners in the Middle East country are repatriated. The Jordanian announcement did NOT indicate if the border closing would apply to trade shipments with Iraq. The announcement also did NOT touch upon the issue of whether Jordanian border guards would hand over foreign nationals to Iraqi troops.

President Bush today told reporters at his vacation home in Maine that he wonders- in his words- ''how much more United Nations action is required?'' to prevent Iraqi shipments. Bush said he would welcome U-N support of a U-S resolution to use minimum force to enforce sanctions against Iraq. But he added that American forces in the Persian Gulf region have made clear that Iraqi commerce- in his words- ''can be stopped.''

The price tag for calling up American reserve troops would be 80-Million dollars a month if 40-thousand reservists are activated. Earlier today, President Bush authorized activation of personnel in the armed forces reserves. Washington did NOT specify how many reservists will be affected by the move. Administration sources expect 40-thousand reservists will be called up in the first month.

A federal jury in San Francisco has returned a guilty verdict in the retrial of U-S District Judge Robert Aguilar. The panel found Aguilar guilty of lying to the F-B-I and of revealing wiretap information. However Aguilar was acquitted of a more serious charge... of conspiring to obstruct justice... and two lesser charges. In March, another federal jury acquitted Aguilar and criticized the government's investigation of his

actions.

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(AUG. 22) UPI - Engineers got a brief electronic message from the Magellan Venus probe today... giving them hope that the spacescraft is trying to regain contact with Earth. The Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, lost contact with the craft yesterday for the second time. A lab spokeswoman says a ''blip'' from Magellan today shows that it's still working and capable of following commands- if engineers can re-establish contact.

As tribal fighting raged on in South Africa's black townships, President Frederik de Klerk called on black leaders to meet and settle the conflict. He said both sides will soon make efforts to bring together African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela and Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi. But the A-N-C blames the Zulu chief for igniting the latest strife and refuses to meet him.

Hopes for peace in El Salvador are fading as peace talks wind up today. A U-N mediator at the talks in Costa Rica says the idea of a September cease-fire has been virtually discarded... and admitted he canNOT announce a single concrete advance. Rebel leaders have warned of an impending increase in military action. The threat coincided with a rebel rocket attack Monday night on the presidential house in San Salvador.

Vietnam has long depended on its socialist allies for higher education and technical training. But the Southeast Asian nation said today it will NOT be sending students to the Soviet Union or Eastern Europe this year because of the collapse of communism. Many Vietnamese in Eastern Europe have taken advantage of the collapse of Communist Party power to defect to the West.

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#90235b0006 08/23/1990 ~Business Wire
NORCROSS, GA. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Fi-Tek III, traded over the counter, announced Thursday that it has completed its acquisition of Videoconferencing Systems Inc. (VSI), of Norcross.

VSI shareholders will have substantial voting control of the combined entity, which is anticipated to be named Videoconferencing Systems Inc. (VSI) in the near future. Fi-Tek III is a reporting company under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, is listed in Standard & Poor's and with the acquisition of VSI, is believed to be qualified under the financial criteria to be listed on NASDAQ. An application is currently in preparation, and a NASDAQ listing is expected to be accomplished within 30

days.

The company is engaged in the design, system integration, sale, and service of turnkey interactive videoconferencing systems. VSI markets system solutions that improve organizational productivity. VSI's products enable organizations to meet in real time, face-to-face, over long distance between multiple remote sites to share graphic and video motion images, using state-of-the-art, cost effective telecommunication networks to shorten decision cycles, improve product-to-market development time frames, and to develop closer linkages with key communities of interest, and client groups.

VSI was formed five years ago through the acquisition of proprietary technology of Isacomm, a subsidiary of U.S. Telecom, which subsequently became U.S. Sprint's Meeting Channel, the world's largest shared videoconference network. Since its inception, VSI has shipped over 300 systems to more than 85 major clients, and presently holds a substantial share of the videoconferencing systems integration market.

Some of VSI's clients include Coca Cola, New York Life, Lockheed, Alex Brown & Sons, CSX, Whirlpool, Bank of America, Arco, various U.S. government agencies and Department of Defense Commands, as well as international clients in Canada, Europe and the Caribbean. VSI believes it currently leads the video conference market in co-marketing and distribution relationships with telecommunication organizations, such as AT&T, U.S. Sprint, U.S. West, Alltel, GTE, Telecom USA, Bell Canada, Southern Bell and others.

According to information reported in an August 13, 1990, ''Wall Street Journal'' article, researchers say the market for video-telecommunication equipment could reach $100 million this year, and could grow 50 percent per year for the next several years.

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PALM DESERT, CA (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - StratAmerica Corp. announced that its' Sports Archives Inc.'s ''Field of Dreams'' baseball and sports memorabilia division has signed an agreement with Quantum Marketing

International Inc., Beverly Hills, Calif., and Philadelphia, to produce a 30 minute ''infomercial.''

This program will begin airing on television stations nationwide starting about Oct. 1, 1990. The ''infomercial'' will be hosted by a well-known celebrity and will focus on baseball card collecting and marketing of a starter kit for learning how to become involved in the fun of collecting baseball cards.

Quantum Marketing International Inc. anticipates the purchase of more than one-half million dollars of television time in various markets throughout the country. StratAmerica announced recently that it has signed the binding agreement to acquire 80 percent of Sports Archives Inc.

''Field of Dreams'' presently has one retail location in Palm Desert with approximately ten new locations currently identified for southern California shopping malls. The new sites will use the successful formula of the prototype store in Palm Desert. In addition to retail locations a computerized warehouse is planned to supply the new locations and independent retailers with baseball cards, other collectibles and sports memorabilia. The company is also developing a direct marketing group.

It is estimated by leading industry publications that the baseball memorabilia and collectibles market currently exceeds $2.5 billion annually and is rapidly growing. StratAmerica intends to market sport cards and memorabilia for many other sports in addition to baseball, including basketball and football because of their increased popularity, through the ''Field of Dreams'' stores.

Sam D. Battistone, StratAmerica's president said that depending on the results of the ''infomercial'' additional programs and markets will be considered. He added that similar formats for football and basketball ''infomercials'' will be evaluated. StratAmerica previously owned the Utah Jazz Basketball franchise of the National Basketball Association (NBA).

StratAmerica's stock is traded on the NASDAQ system in the over-the-counter market with the symbol STCO.

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FORT WAYNE, IN (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Lincoln National Corp. (NYSE:LNC) reported today that it has purchased a 268,300-share block of its common stock in an open-market transaction.

The stock was purchased at 43 5/8.

Lincoln National Corp. (NYSE:LNC) is a Fort Wayne-based insurance holding company with assets of $26 billion and revenues of $8 billion. Through its subsidiaries, it provides property-casualty insurance, employee health-life benefits, reinsurance, individual life insurance and investment products and services.

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#90235b0033 08/23/1990 ~Business Wire
LOUISVILLE, CO (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Craig N. Evans, treasurer and vice president finance Explosive Fabricators Inc. (NASDAQ:BOOM), announced the favorable decision by shareholders to approve a reverse stock split on the basis of one new share for five old shares.

Evans said, ''that the split will be effective as of the opening of business Monday, Aug. 27, 1990.''

The trading symbol of the company will be temporarily changed to include a fifth letter ''BOOMD'' to provide notice to the marketplace of the reverse split. After approximately 30 days the company's stock symbol will return to the normal ''BOOM.''

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#90235b0055 08/23/1990 ~Business Wire
VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - West Pride Industries (VSE:WPI) announced Thursday that a widespread copper mineralization with associated gold values has been discovered by the company on its Zetu Creek and Railway Properties in the Iskut North Camp, British Columbia.

The two properties (7,700 acres and 9,900 acres, respectively) are easily accessible from the village of Iskut on the Stewart-Cassiar Highway at elevations from 3,000 to 5,800 feet ASL.

At the Railway Property, high-grade copper mineralization (to 6.92 percent) occurs as massive sulphides filling fractures and as lower-grade

(0.5 percent) disseminations in a mixture of volcanic and sedimentary rock.

Copper (to 2.02 percent) has also been discovered in a highly altered alkalic intrusion central to this area of widespread (1,000 ft. x 2,000 ft.) copper mineralization. Gold values to 0.03 oz./ton have been obtained from surface chip samples.

At the Zetu Creek Property, immediately west of the Railway Property, five areas of copper-gold mineralization have been observed over an area 1,000 ft. x 1,500 ft. One of the showings is exposed in old trenches believed to have been put in during the 1960's.

Samples from sub-crop and trench material returned copper values to 8.9 percent and gold values to 0.15 oz./ton. New mineralization south and east of the trench area was discovered during the property acquisition and returned copper values from 0.5 percent to 1.9 percent Cu.

Both properties lie within the Stikine Arch northwest of the Red Chris porphyry Cu-Au deposit and northeast of the Triumph-Teck Castle Project (Cu-Au).

West Pride is immediately initiating a program of rock and soil geochemistry, prospecting and mapping since the area is normally free of snow until at least mid-October.

The Vancouver Stock Exchange has neither approved nor disapproved of the contents herein.

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EL SEGUNDO, CA (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - International Rectifier Corp. (NYSE/PSE:IRF) Thursday reported net income of $2.2 million, or 18 cents per share, on sales of $229.9 million in fiscal 1990, compared with a net loss of $12.7 million, or $1.13 per share, on sales of $195.6 million in the prior year.

Net results improved by $14.9 million on revenue growth of $34.3 million, or 17.5 percent, year to year.

Results reflected sequential increases in production volume throughout the year in the Electronic Products division. At HEXFET America, the company's $100 million HEXFET power MOSFET manufacturing plant, wafer fabrication capacity utilization averaged 58 percent in the fourth quarter compared with 40 percent in the year-ago quarter.

Improvements were partially offset by costs associated with the reorganization of manufacturing operations for the Power Products division. The reorganization is designed to improve that division's production efficiencies and manufacturing cost structure in fiscal 1991 and beyond.

For the fourth quarter ended June 30, the company reported net income of $2.1 million, or 17 cents per share, on sales of $64.1 million, compared with a net loss of $0.7 million, or 6 cents per share, on sales of $54.9 million in the year-ago quarter. Royalties and fees from Siliconix Inc. contributed about $0.8 million to income.

Fourth-quarter orders remained strong, running about 25 percent above prior-year levels.

Subject to economic conditions, the company expects double-digit revenue growth in fiscal 1991, with continued improvement in operating profitability. However, first-quarter revenues will reflect the seasonal effect of shutdowns in Europe for summer holidays.

International Rectifier is a major worldwide supplier of power semiconductors and the international leader in power MOSFETs with its HEXFET line.

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#90235b0065 08/23/1990 ~Business Wire

CARLSBAD, CA (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Charter Golf Inc. (NASDAQ:CGOL), the fast-growing maker of golf apparel, Thursday announced record sales and earnings for its third quarter and nine month period ended July 31, 1990.

The company reported net income of $152,207, or 2 cents per share, on revenue of $2,357,180 for the quarter compared to a net loss of $28,700, or 1 cent per share, on revenue of $602,642 for the same quarter last year. It was the company's fourth consecutive profitable quarter.

For the nine month period the company reported a net profit of $318,388, or 6 cents per share, on revenue of $5,140,403 compared to net loss of $95,531, or 3 cents per share, on revenue of $1,237,660 for the same period last year.

CHARTER GOLF INC.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	7/31/90	7/31/89	7/31/90	7/31/89
Sales	$ 2,357,180	$ 602,642	$ 5,140,403	$ 1,237,660
Pre-tax net income (loss)	91,324	(28,700)	191,033	(95,531)
Extraordinary credit (a)	60,883	0	127,355	0
Net income (loss)	152,207	(28,700)	318,388	(95,531)
Income (loss) per share	$ .02	$ (.01)	$ .06	$ (.03)

(a) Tax benefit from tax loss carry forward.

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Jay Pfeiffer, 303/623-1169

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DENVER (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Affiliated Bankshares of Colorado Inc. previously announced an offering of its 10-1/2 percent notes due Sept. 1, 1997.

At a closing on Aug. 23, the 10-1/2 percent notes in the principal amount of $15 million were sold. The underwriter for the offering was Boettcher & Co. Inc.

Proceeds from the 10-1/2 percent notes, together with cash on hand, will be used to redeem $20 million of the $50 million of outstanding 11-5/8 percent notes due April 1, 1993. The 11-5/8 percent notes are callable by Affiliated at par plus accrued interest. The redemption date is expected to be in approximately five weeks because of notice requirements.

Affiliated Bankshares is a state-wide bank holding company with $2.6 billion in assets, 28 banks and 4 bank-related service companies serving the major markets of Colorado.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Bell announced Thursday

it will undergo a major organizational change early next year, the first step in what the company termed a ''new direction'' aimed at a sharper emphasis on quality service and growing competition.

Effective Jan. 1, the company will be divided into four basic groups.

These are regional markets, consisting of seven business units focused on geographic areas; statewide markets, made up of six business units focused on customers and markets that cross state boundaries; product and technology support, which integrate product development and network and systems functions in support of the business units; and corporate support, including human resources, strategy and planning, external affairs, legal and financial activities.

''To succeed, Pacific Bell needs to significantly enhance its way of doing business,'' said company President Phil Quigley. ''This means creating a new organization that optimizes the creation of value for our customers in a manner superior to our competitors, one that is consistent with total quality, one that enhances employees' sense of proprietorship, control and contribution to the business, and one that successfully creates value for customers, employees, and shareowners.''

''The biggest change is that the decisions and accountability for meeting customer needs will be driven down to local levels where employees are more closely in touch with their customers and will have the ability to respond more quickly and effectively to customer needs and competitive threats.''

The geographic business regions, each of which will be headed by a vice president-general manager, will be responsible for providing communications products and services to all residential and most business customers, as well as performing installation and repair work, engineering and sales activities.

Currently, these functions are handled under separate organizations with direction provided by centralized staffs.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Southern Pacific railroad Thursday announced a rate increase of 5 percent per boxcar for fresh perishable commodities moving on more than one railroad from Oregon, California and Arizona to destinations east of the Rocky Mountains.

SP also announced a 10 percent per car increase for fresh perishables moving only on the Southern Pacific system. Both rates are effective Sept. 15.

Perishable traffic was not affected by other recently announced increases prompted by rising diesel fuel prices, SP said.

SP is planning to rehabilitate 1,000 mechanical refrigerated boxcars this year to support the shippers' needs for the future, according to Al Fjeldsted, SP's vice president of food and agriculture.

''These rate increases will make it possible to provide a mechanical reefer car fleet of the size and quality needed by the perishable shippers '' Fjeldsted said.

CONTACT: Southern Pacific Transportation Co., San Francisco
Jim Barrymore, 415/541-2698

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - In response to inquiries concerning trading in its stock, Transamerica Corp. announced that it knows of no reason for Thursday's stock price decline and heavy trading volume.

The company stated that there have been no significant developments since the release of its quarterly earnings, and it continues to expect a strong year.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - On Aug. 21, 1990, the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona entered judgement on a lawsuit tried before the District Court in the amount of $22,831,000 in favor of Time Systems Inc., an Arizona corporation (''Time Systems'') and against Priority Management Systems Inc., a Delaware corporation; Priority Management Systems (Canada) Inc., a British Columbia, Canadian corporation; National Time Systems (B.C.) Inc., a British Columbia, Canadian corporation; and Daniel Stamp, an individual (collectively, the ''TIME:TEXT Priority Management System Cos.'').

In its 63 page Memorandum Opinion and Order dated Aug. 3, 1990, the federal District Court found that the former Canadian licensee of Time

Systems committed multiple breaches of its 25 year Canadian License Agreement with Time Systems. Thereafter, with the remaining TIME:TEXT Priority Management Systems Cos., this company began to market essentially the same time management systems, materials and training techniques under the name TIME:TEXT in both Canada and the United States, in violation of Time Systems' rights.

The TIME:TEXT Priority Management Systems Cos., found liable for the damages, have established national franchising or licensing systems in both the United States and Canada and since then have been marketing the time management system, material and training obtained from Time Systems to the public and to the corporate sector through that distribution system and under the name TIME:TEXT.

Additionally, the same time management system, material and training have been marketed in Europe and some other countries of the world by the TIME:TEXT Priority Management System Cos. which have well over 200 franchisees or licensees doing business globally.

Through news media and to many types of customers, one or more of the TIME:TEXT Priority Management System Cos. have wrongfully and repeatedly represented that it was the originator of the time management system, materials and training being marketed under the name TIME:TEXT. The District Court's 63 page Memorandum Opinion and Order details the factual history and findings of the court on these points.

For further information, refer to the Memorandum Opinion and Order of the U.S. District Court dates Aug. 3, 1990, which was filed on Aug. 9, 1990, or contact trial counsel for Time Systems.

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EL SEGUNDO, CA. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Softsel Computer Products, Inc. Thursday announced its shareholders' approval to officially change the company's name to ''Merisel, Inc.''

Beginning Thursday (Aug. 23), Merisel's stock will now be publicly traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the new symbol of MSEL (formerly traded under SOFS).

The name Merisel was originally chosen by the company's executives two months earlier on June 21. It was selected from a pool of more than 100

potential names because it conveys the goal of the company to combine the best aspects of Softsel and Microamerica. ''Mer'' is derived from Microamerica, and ''sel'' is taken from Softsel. The ''i'' in Merisel represents the company's international focus.

Merisel (NASDAQ:MSEL), formerly Softsel/Microamerica, is one of the largest distributors of microcomputer hardware and software products to computer resellers worldwide. The company presently stocks over 7,000 products from more than 400 hardware and software vendors for sale to 40,000 computer resellers in the United States.

International operations account for approximately 30 percent of sales and consist of seven wholly owned subsidiaries serving resellers in Canada, Europe, Latin America and Australia.

The company supplies products for microcomputer platforms including Apple Macintosh, IBM and compatibles, Digital Equipment Corp. workstations and a variety of UNIX systems, in addition to offering a wide range of services to help resellers support these products.

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DENVER (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - AIRCOA Hotel Partners L.P. (AMEX:AHT), a Denver-based master limited partnership engaged in ownership of hotels, announced financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

The partnership recorded net income of $574,000 for the second quarter of 1990 compared to a net loss of $1,165,000 in the second quarter of 1989, reflecting depreciation and amortization for the respective periods of $903,000 and $1,139,000. Net income allocable to the Class A units in the second quarter of 1990 was 12 cents based on 3,101,173 weighted average units outstanding compared to a net loss of 34 cents based on 2,574,133 weighted average units outstanding in the same period of 1989.

On Sept. 26, 1989, one of the partnership's operating partnerships through which the partnership owns its individual hotel properties sold the Kona Village Resort (''Kona''). In order to accurately compare 1990 second quarter operating results to results of the second quarter of 1989, results of operations for the second quarter of 1989 have been restated to exclude the results of the sale of Kona.

Partnership operating revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $12,928,000, an increase of $881,000, or 7.3 percent over restated operating revenues of $12,047,000 for the period ended June 30, 1989, and

were derived principally from operation of the partnerhsip's six hotels and resorts. Operating income for the second quarter of 1990 was $2,971,000, a $602,000 increase over restated operating income of $2,369,000 for the same period in 1989.

Year-to-date operating revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were $24,533,000, an increase of $1,409,000, or 6.1 percent compared to restated operating revenues of $23,124,000 for the same period in 1989. The current year-to-date net income of $175,000 compares to a year-to-date net loss of $1,889,000 for the first six months of 1989.

Comparative operating statistics for the six properties for the first six months of 1990 vs. the first six months of 1989 are as follows: Average Daily Room Rate - $70.59 and $66.69; Percentage of Occupancy - 73.5 percent and 72.4 percent; and Gross Operating Profit - $8,389,000 and $7,479,000.

Gross Operating Profit includes all operating revenues less operating expenses, except for debt service, depreciation, amortization and certain other fixed expenses.

As indicated above, overall occupancy was slightly higher and average daily room rates were up $3.90, or 5.8 percent, for the first six months of 1990 vs. the first six months of 1989. Individual property performance indicates that the Sheraton Lakeside Inn was the primary contributor to the overall revenue increase due to a 14.9 percent room rate increase.

The remaining five hotel properties showed a slight overall increase in room revenue for the first six months of 1990. Operating income increased 15 percent for the first six months of 1990 compared to the restated first six months of 1989 as revenues increased at a greater rate than operating expenses.

The market value of the partnership's assets differs significantly from the historical value of the assets as stated in the partnership's balance sheet at June 30, 1990, and Dec. 31, 1989. The partnership's net equity, based upon the Dec. 31, 1989, appraised value of the hotels, is $61,281,000. The appraised net equity of the partnership at June 30, 1990 is $16.60 per Class A unit.

On Aug. 15, 1990, the partnership paid a quarterly cash distribution of 54 cents per Class A unit to owners of record as of July 31, 1990.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Armand Hammer, chairman and chief executive officer of Occidental Petroleum Corp., Thursday reaffirmed the company's commitment to maintaining its $2.50 annual common stock dividend.

Responding to market rumors and stockholder inquiries, Dr. Hammer said, ''The board of directors has not considered nor is it considering any reduction in our dividend.''

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Frank Ashley, 213/443-6494.

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MONTEREY PARK, CA (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - International Aluminum Corp. (NYSE:IAL) Thursday announced results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

International Aluminum Corp.
Consolidated Earnings

	Quarter ended June 30, 1990	Quarter ended June 30, 1989
Sales	$51,342,000	$56,337,000
Net income	4,671,000	3,490,000
Earnings per share	$ 1.06/b	77 cents
Average shares outstanding	4,420,152	4,535,048

	Fiscal year ended June 30, 1990	Fiscal year ended June 30, 1989
Sales	$212,153,000	$220,659,000
Net income	15,772,000	13,182,000
Earnings per share	$ 3.52/b	$ 2.91/a
Average shares outstanding	4,486,008	4,530,930

(a) Includes losses from discontinued operations of $565,000, or 12 cents per share.

(b) Includes $926,000, or 21 cents per share, gain on sale of idle facility.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Sharper Image Corp. (NASDAQ:SHRP) Thursday reported its results for the second quarter and six months ended July 31, 1990.

For the second quarter ended July 31, 1990, The Sharper Image reported total revenues of $41.2 million, a 6.6 percent decrease over total revenues of $44.1 million for the like quarter in the prior year.

The company reported a net loss of $1.6 million, or 19 cents loss per share, compared to a net income of $93,000, or 1 cent per share, for the like period in 1989.

For the six months ended July 31, 1990, The Sharper Image reported total revenues of $75.8 million, a 4.3 percent decrease as compared with total revenues of $79.2 million for the like period in the prior year.

Net loss for the six months ended July 31, 1990 is reported at $3 million, or a 36 cents loss per share, compared to net loss of $1.1 million, or a 13 cents loss per share for the like period in 1989.

''The effects of the soft retail environment nationwide are reflected in our lower sales in the second quarter,'' said Richard Thalheimer, president and chief executive officer of the company.

Thalheimer further stated that: ''In our efforts to increase the company's profits in the current retail climate, a cost cutting program that included a 10 percent reduction in workforce was put into effect in August 1990. ''In addition, every area of the business is under review. We plan to reduce advertising costs substantially for the remainder of the current fiscal year primarily by lowering catalog production costs and circulation. We have also trimmed our spending on supplies, travel and entertainment, and there is a hiring freeze in effect.''

The Sharper Image is a specialty retailer of a unique selection of innovative and high quality products that are marketed through its colorful, monthly catalogs and expanding retail network, which now totals 70 stores nationwide and eight internationally through its foreign licensees.

The company offers a variety of products, including consumer electronics, communications, health and fitness, recreational and novelty items.

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DENVER (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Aspen Exploration Corp. announced Thursday that Great Basin Exploration and Mining Co. of Reno, Nev., entered into an option agreement with Nome Gold Joint Venture for the further exploration, development and mining of properties leased by NGJV near Nome, Alaska, within the Coastal Hills and Coastal Plains areas of interest.

Aspen is the manager and 70 percent participant in NGJV. Pursuant to the agreement, Great Basin has the option to earn 51 percent interest in each of the two areas of interest by expending at least $6 million for exploration and development work and in bringing the properties to a production decision.

Under the terms of the agreement, Great Basin must exercise the option permitting it to earn an interest in either or both areas of interest before Sept. 1, 1991. Great Basin paid NGJV $65,000 for the option agreement, the use of data and for services. If Great Basin chooses to extend the option beyond Feb. 15, 1991, it must pay NGJV an additional $50,000 for each area of interest at that time.

During the option period, Great Basin is required to perform at least $100,000 of work 1990, and $300,000 or work during 1991.

Additionally Aspen management has been in Alaska during a significant portion of the summer of 1990, monitoring the exploration activities of Tenneco Minerals Co. on the Anvil Creek and Rock Creek areas of interest, and conducting exploration in other parts of Alaska.

It appears that Tenneco will accomplish a significant amount of geologic mapping, surface sampling, and exploration drilling on both the Rock Creek and Anvil Creek areas of interest.

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SANTA ANA, CA (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Alpha Microsystems (NASDAQ:ALMI) Thursday announced a new family of Intel 286-, 386- and 486-based business computers specifically designed to support MS-DOS as well as the Pick, XENIX and Business Basic software environments including the company's RECAP proprietary operating system.

The Series 90 replaces the RBM 1386, RBM 2386, RBM cache 2500, AM-386 and AMS 1000 product lines. In addition to providing greatly expanded versatility, Series 90 is 20 percent to 25 percent lower in recommended

list price than the models it replaces.

Offering an array of interchangeable Intel-based central processors and other essential features, the pacesetting Series 90 is the first family of Alpha Microsystems computers to serve the needs of all of its distribution channels, according to the announcement made by Alpha Microsystems Executive Vice President Douglas J. Tullio.

''The Series 90 addresses the growing need for flexibility and modularity demanded by today's value-added resellers and end users,''

Tullio said. ''Today's customers are more sophisticated, and they're buying solutions, not just computer hardware. They require systems that provide features and capabilities that can be economically tailored to suit their individual requirements.''

Tullio went on to say, ''The Series 90 concept combines the cost-efficiency of production machines with exceptional system modularity and flexibility.

The Series 90 family includes three models, depending on the style of cabinet. The AM-940 is for any configuration housed in the attractive desktop enclosure; the AM-960 for all configurations in the new mini-pedestal cabinet, which is 7 inches wide; and the AM-980 for those configurations using the large-pedestal cabinet.

Using a concept of mix-and-match, any one of seven different Intel-based processors may be ordered for each model in conjunction with a broad range of memory sizes, disk capacities, floppy diskettes, tape drives and software combinations.

Series 90 processor options include an entry-level, 12MHz 286-based processor without cache memory, supporting main memory that ranges from 512KB to 4MB; a 16.7MHz 386SX-based processor without cache memory and with main memory sizes ranging from 1MB to 8MB; two different 25MHz 386-based processors, one with optional cache memory of 32KB or 64KB and with main memory from 1MB to 8MB, and one that comes standard with 64KB cache memory, supporting from 1MB to 24MB of main memory.

Alpha Microsystems manufactures, markets and services multi-user business computer solutions for a variety of vertical markets and industries worldwide.

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LAFAYETTE, CO (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Aspen Ribbons Inc. (NASDAQ:ARIB) Thursday announced earnings for the year ended June 30, 1990, of $762,622, or 20 cents per share, on revenues of $19,136,967.

This compares with earnings of $1,416,439, or 37 cents per share, on revenues of $19,562,214 for the prior year.

Citing increased expenses associated with the company's expansion into a new distribution center, its move into the thermal fax paper market, and the increasingly competitive dot matrix ribbon market, Peter C. Williams, president and chief executive officer, said: ''We are happy that we have remained profitable in this tough expansion year.

''Margins in fax paper have eroded very quickly and it is difficult to be competitive. Sales in this area have not covered our additional costs as we had expected. Increased foreign competition also had a negative impact on our margins in ribbon products.

''The distribution of ribbon products in the marketplace has continued to change with the proliferation of more office products warehouses, which has cut into our traditional customers' sales. Now, with our new point-of-purchase packaging and more manufacturers' rep groups, we intend to be more aggressive in this market as well as in our existing markets.

''Fiscal 1991 will be a return to faster-paced growth,'' Williams said. ''Our strategies include penetrating the mass merchandising market, bringing to market many replacement toner products for laser printers and going head-to-head with plastics suppliers by selling component parts from our molds.

''In addition, the ribbon market is projected to grow through the mid-90s and should provide a stable base for our future. Revenues and profits should approximate $23 million and $1.5 million, respectively.''

Aspen Ribbons is a leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of ribbon cartridges, laser printer cartridges and fax paper for the computer printer industry.

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HONOLULU (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - International Holding Capital Corp. (NASDAQ:ISLH) reported operating results for its fiscal year ended June 30 1990.

The consolidated net income of International Holding for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 was $3,062,000, or $2.60 per share, an increase of $2,860,000 from the $202,000, or 19 cents per share, reported for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, International Holding had earnings of $180,000, or 15 cents per share, compared to a loss of $1,387,000, or $1.27 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

Total stockholders' equity at June 30, 1990 stood at $31,374,000, reflecting a book value per share of $25.82.

International Holding is the holding company for International Savings and Loan Association Ltd., Diversified Resources and Investments Inc. and Hawaiian Foliage and Landscape Inc.

International Savings had earnings before income taxes of $3,711,000 for fiscal 1990, an increase from the $2,777,000 reported for fiscal 1989.

Hawaiian Foliage had earnings before income taxes of $1,475,000 for fiscal 1990 compared to losses of $2,127,000 reported in fiscal 1989.

Lionel Y. Tokioka, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of International Holding, and president of International Savings said that he was pleased with the improved performance of IHCC, especially the turnaround in the operating results of Hawaiian Foliage.

Tokioka said that while the termination of the proposed merger with Sumix was a disappointment, it hasn't affected the operations of IHCC or its primary subsidiary International Savings, which meets its regulatory capital requirements and continues to be profitable.

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SANTA ANA, CA (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Alpha Microsystems (NASDAQ:ALMI) Thursday announced a new family of Intel 286-, 386- and 486-based business computers specifically designed to support MS-DOS as well as the Pick, XENIX and Business Basic software environments including the company's RECAP proprietary operating system.

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Alpha Microsystems manufactures, markets and services multi-user business computer solutions for a variety of vertical markets and industries worldwide.

The company's products support a range of business-oriented operating software environments including Alpha Microsystems' proprietary AMOS and RECAP multi-user operating systems; the widely used XENIX, Pick and MS-DOS operating systems; and Business Basic. The company also manufactures, markets and services VCRCopy, based on its patented VIDEOTRAX technology, for IBM PS/1 computers.

For Series 90 product specifications and dealer information, contact John Leighton, Alpha Microsystems, 3501 Sunflower, P.O. Box 25059, Santa Ana, Calif. 92799; phone 714/957-8500 or toll-free 800/992-9779 (except California). Dealer inquiries are invited.

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BOISE, ID (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of TJ International (NASDAQ: TJCO) Thursday declared the company's regular quarterly dividend of 10-1/2 cents per share to be paid on Oct. 17, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 21, 1990.

This represents no change from the dividend declared for the previous quarter.

In other news, the board announced that it regretfully accepted the resignation of one of its members, Jerre L. Stead. Stead, chairman and chief executive officer of Chicago-based Square D Co., cited a desire to concentrate his attention on the immediate opportunities facing Square D Co. No successor has yet been designated.

TJ International is a Boise-based manufacturer of specialty building product.

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MESA, AZ (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co. announced six key management assignments this week as part of the company's comprehensive reorganization.

The company in July announced a reorganization of its divisions and management structure in preparation to compete in the changing world helicopter market. This week's appointments involve three vice presidents and three other key management positions.

Bob Grace will join the helicopter company in late September as vice president of the newly formed Business Development Division. Grace has held important marketing and program management roles in the nine years he has been at McDonnell Douglas Corp. and McDonnell Aircraft Co., where he most recently served as staff executive to the president.

In his new position, Grace will be responsible for the helicopter company's worldwide business development and marketing activities for all commercial and military product lines. He also will oversee public affairs and civic affairs activities.

Another addition to the executive ranks is Mark Bingaman, vice president of the helicopter company's new quality processes division. Bingaman formerly was director of integration in the quality processes division at McDonnell Aircraft Co., where he was instrumental in beginning the implementation of Total Quality Management System principles.

Following are other management assignments announced this week:

Andy Logan was named vice president of the advanced product development and technology division. He had been acting vice president of that organization and previously was group director of its research, technology and process development activities.

Frank Palminteri, who had been general manager of the MD 500 program, is now general manager of the company's manufacturing center in Culver City, Calif.

Cary Brown is assuming the deputy leadership of the MD 500 program. Brown had been manager of MDX customer support.

Steve Hanvey has been named deputy of the AH-64 program. He had been director of AH-64 business development.

Joe Maltese has been appointed deputy of California manufacturing operations. He had been group director of the California unit.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (AUG. 232) BUSINESS WIRE - INTERACTIVE Systems Corp. Thursday announced that it is actively working with industry leaders AT&T and Intel to unify the UNIX System standard for Intel 80386/486-based systems.

INTERACTIVE has been a strategic partner in the development of UNIX System V Release 4 and will collaborate on an extended binary compatibility specification (iBCS Edition 2). Today's announcement complements an announcement made earlier this week by the Santa Cruz Operation in support of iBCS Edition 2.

The iBCS Edition 2 will allow application developers to create a single version of their application that will run on 386/486-based operating systems which conform to the specification.

''As a long-standing proponent of UNIX System standards, we believe this announcement will help encourage the rapid industry acceptance of UNIX in mainstream desktop environments,'' said Dennis Peck, president and chief operating officer of INTERACTIVE.

''INTERACTIVE played a key role in helping to unify the iBCS standard for 386/486-based UNIX operating systems, and is one of our strategic partners in developing UNIX System V Release 4,'' said Larry Dooling, president of AT&T's UNIX Software Laboratories (USL).

''INTERACTIVE's support of the iBCS Edition 2 effort makes it clear that the Intel-based industry is united in efforts to expand availability of shrink-wrap applications for all UNIX Systems for Intel 386/486 platforms.''

A leader in developing UNIX software standards, INTERACTIVE provides tools for third-party developers to create applications which embrace these standards. The company has worked closely with AT&T and Intel to define the current UNIX System V Release 3.2 BCS and standards for UNIX System V Release 4. INTERACTIVE will work with the Intel group to ensure applications compatibility on desktop UNIX systems.

INTERACTIVE UNIX is recognized as a leading UNIX System V 3.2 development

platform for UNIX applications. Major software vendors have selected INTERACTIVE UNIX as the development platform for their UNIX applications. For example, Novell selected INTERACTIVE UNIX as the initial reference port for Portable NetWare.

Intel is an international manufacturer of microcomputer components, modules and systems.

UNIX Systems Laboratories Inc. (USL), a subsidiary of AT&T, develops and markets UNIX System V and related systems software in source code to computer hardware and system software vendors worldwide, under the guidance of UNIX International Inc. USL was formerly known as AT&T's UNIX Software Operation.

INTERACTIVE Systems Corp., a Kodak company, is the premier supplier of UNIX products and development services to the computer industry and is a leader in the commercial UNIX marketplace.

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SHREWSBURY, N.J. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Wellman, Inc. (NYSE:WLM) Thursday reported the completion of its previously announced acquisition of New England CRInc. (CRInc.) and its subsidiary, Materials Recovery Inc.

In conjunction with the acquisition, the company issued approximately 300,000 shares of Wellman common stock, valued at $25 per share pursuant to the acquisition agreement, to CRInc. shareholders and retired approximately $4.5 million of CRInc. debt.

CRInc. is a leader in the United States in the design, construction and operation of materials recycling facilities (MRFs) and holds exclusive North American rights to the Bezner automated materials sorting process, a West German MRF sortation technology which separates and processes commingled recyclables generated from municipal and commercial recycling programs. The recyclables are then sold as feedstock for new products.

CRInc. manages the longest operating mechanized MRF in the United States, in Johnston, Rhode Island, and has been selected to design, build, equip

and/or operate eight additional MRFs in the United States and Canada. CRInc. also operates two glass beneficiation facilities in California in partnership with Anchor Glass Container Corp.

CRInc., whose key management will remain intact, will continue to be headquartered in North Billerica, Mass.

The shareholders of CRInc. intend to form a new limited partnership called Clean Environment L.P. to continue CRInc.'s deposit container and curbside pick-ups in New England. The plastics generated by these programs will be sold to Wellman under a five-year purchase agreement. The parties are also entering into a non-competition agreement which will call for payments to the partners of the limited partnership totaling approximately $5.7 million over a four-year period.

Wellman, the nation's largest recycler of plastic, fibre and film wastes, manufactures and distributes high-quality polyester textile fibers under the Fortrel brandname and produces polyester and nylon fibers and plastic resins from its recycling operations.

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CARSON, Calif. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - TRW Systems Engineering and Development Division, teamed as a subcontractor with Advanced Technology Inc., has been awarded a $2 million subcontract to develop and deploy the Global Transportation Network/In-Transit Visibility system.

For the Department of Transportation's Transportation Systems Center and its customer, the U.S. Transportation Command, the team will develop an operational prototype which will allow about 25 Commander-in-Chief-level users around the world to track Department of Defense (DoD) cargo and passengers in both peace and war.

With this system, users will be able to access data in both DoD and commercial transportation systems.

Because the prototype must be tested and fielded within six months, commercial off-the-shelf and non-development item hardware and software will be used extensively. Technology currently available from TRW will form the foundation of the system.

This technology includes the Data Integration Engine, an integrated set of software which allows different systems to share data. To users, the Data Integration Engine is transparent. To existing hardware and software, it appears as merely another node along the network.

With this technology, disparate hardware, data bases, software, architectures and even communication protocols can be integrated in one system.

''TRW also has developed a set of reusable command, control and communications (C3) Ada software components along with a library of advanced user interface software components which can be used in building this system,'' says TRW Project Manager Betsy Sauter.

''Such reusable C3 and advanced user interface packages have been incorporated on other programs which the division is working, including the Command Center Processing and Display System Replacement and the Forward Area Air Defense System,'' adds Jack R. Distaso, vice president and general manager of the Systems Engineering and Development Division.

Located in Carson, the division is part of TRW Systems Integration Group, an operating unit of TRW Inc.'s California-based Space and Defense Sector.

The group, headed by John P. Stenbit, vice president and general manager, has its headquarters in Fairfax County, Virginia, and performs systems engineering services and systems integration and develops and installs strategic and tactical command and control systems, information processing systems and security systems for federal government agencies, industry contractors and international customers.

Cleveland-based TRW Inc. is an international company that provides high-technology products and services to the space and defense, automotive and information systems markets. The company's 1989 sales totaled about $7 billion.

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SUNNYVALE, Calif. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Western Microwave Inc. Thursday announced that it has received an offer from Dr. Ibrahim Hefni, the company's acting chief executive officer and a director, to purchase 100 percent of the outstanding common stock of the company in a cash merger.

Hefni, together with Microwave Engineering Corp., of which Hefni, is a stockholder and director, presently holds 18.6 percent of the company's common stock. James M. Herrmann, president of Microwave Engineering Corp. is also a director of the company.

As proposed, the acquisition would be effected by a merger of the company into a new corporation to be formed by Hefni. In the merger, each stockholder would be entitled to receive cash in the amount of $2.00 per share for each share of common stock issued and outstanding.

The merger would be effected in accordance with the corporate laws of the State of Virginia (the state of incorporation of the company) and, as such would be conditioned upon the approval of a majority of the disinterested directors and at least two-thirds of the disinterested stockholders (excluding Hefni and Microwave Engineering Corp.).

The terms and conditions of the merger are to be subject to a definitive merger agreement to be approved by the board of directors of the company. The board of directors is reviewing the proposed offer.

As a condition to the proposed merger, the board of directors of the company will be requested to waive the provisions of the company's Common Shares Rights Agreement and to redeem the rights issuable thereunder in the event the proposed merger is approved by the company's stockholders.

The exact terms and conditions of the proposed merger will be set forth in a proxy statement to be prepared and sent to the company's stockholders in connection with a special meeting of stockholders to be called for the purchase of acting upon the proposed merger.

Western Microwave Inc. manufactures a variety of microwave ferrite and integrated circuit components, devices and subsystems for both military and commercial microwave electronics systems applications. The company reported a loss of $884,000, or 61 cents per share, on sales of $6.5 million.

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SANTA CRUZ, CALIF. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The Santa Cruz Operation Inc. (SCO) announced Thursday at SCO Forum90 September availability of JSB MultiView DeskTop Release 1.2.

JSB MultiView DeskTop is an MS-DOS-based Microsoft Windows 3.0 program that provides a windowing, graphical interface for integrating multiple MS-DOS or Microsoft Windows applications and UNIX System applications on a personal computer.

With JSB MultiView DeskTop and Microsoft Windows, MS-DOS PC users can run remote UNIX System applications concurrently with MS-DOS applications in

multiple, configurable windows. JSB MultiView DeskTop provides batch and interactive file transfer capabilities.

Users can also ''copy-and-paste'' data between MS-DOS and UNIX System applications and utilities. JSB MultiView DeskTop enables users to connect any 286 or 386 PC running Microsoft Windows to an SCO XENIX or SCO UNIX System-based host via a direct RS-232 connection or a local-area network.

JSB MultiView DeskTop Release 1.2 will be available in September. It will be available in dual-media packaging from SCO Authorized Distributors and Resellers for a U.S. list price of $295 for a one-user license, $995 for a five-user license and $1,795 for a 10-user license. An update for current users of JSB MultiView DeskTop Release 1.0 will be available from SCO.

The Santa Cruz Operation Inc. is a privately held company recognized internationally as the worldwide leader in open system software solutions. SCO offers a wide range of UNIX System V software solutions, training, and support services for standard hardware platforms. To date, SCO has shipped over 300,000 UNIX Systems for industry-standard computers -- more than any other supplier.

Founded in 1979, SCO fields a staff of over a thousand among its Santa Cruz, Washington D.C., Toronto, and London offices, including one of the largest UNIX System technical teams in the world.

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SAN BRUNO, CALIF. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Electronics For Imaging Inc. (EFI) announced Thursday it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a public offering of 1 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one warrant to acquire one-half share of common stock of EFI. Each unit is expected to be priced at $6.50 prior to the effective date of the offering.

The company said that the offering, which is expected to commence in September 1990, will be managed by Whale Securities Co. Copies of the preliminary prospectus may be obtained from Whale Securities Co., at 650 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 10019.

The net proceeds of the proposed offering are anticipated to be used to finance research and development, marketing and sales, and capital

equipment purchases, and the balance for working capital and general corporate purposes.

Electronics For Imaging, based in San Bruno, is a development stage company founded by Efraim Arazi who was the founder and chief executive officer of Scitex Corp. Ltd.

The company was organized for the purpose of developing and commercializing products incorporating the company's proprietary color imaging technologies for the desktop publishing marketplace.

The company is developing products that, through the incorporation of its proprietary ''Color Portability'' technology currently under development, are being designed to enable desktop publishing users to easily author, design and print documents containing text and photographic quality color images.

This announcement shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to the registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Intel Corp.'s board of directors has authorized the company to repurchase up to 20 million shares of its stock in open market or negotiated transactions.

Intel Chairman Gordon E. Moore said the board decided to pursue this course of action after a review of the company's financial position and investment alternatives.

''We think the market's rapid retreat in the past few weeks presents us with an opportunity to buy back our shares at attractive levels. Even after completion of this program, we will continue to have the strong cash position needed to assure that we can continue our capital and R&D programs with complete flexibility,'' Dr. Moore said.

Intel's only previous buy-back occurred in 1987 when it repurchased 13.35 million Intel shares from IBM Corp. for $27 per share.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, Intel had 204 million shares of common stock and equivalents outstanding.

Intel Corp. is an international manufacturer of microcomputer components, modules and systems.

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HERCULES, CALIF. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc. (ASE:BIO.A/BIO.B) Thursday announced that Tony R. Brown has joined the company as vice president and chief operating officer with responsibility for both domestic and international operations.

In this position, he will report directly to David Schwartz, president and chief executive officer.

Brown comes to Bio-Rad with extensive industry experience. After receiving his doctorate in mechanical engineering from Purdue University, he joined American Hospital Supply Corp. in a research and development role, then subsequently moved into marketing and business development activities.

After American Hospital Supply merged with Baxter Travenol in 1985, he continued his career with Baxter where he most recently served as president of its Cardiovascular Businesses.

Schwartz indicated that for almost seven years, Bio-Rad has been run by a committee consisting of senior members of its management team, but added that the company has reached a size where a change in operating structure is desirable.

He said this new structure should allow for a greater focus on profitability while providing the other members of the management team with more time to concentrate on their own rapidly growing operations.

Bio-Rad Laboratories is a multinational manufacturer of research products, clinical diagnostics and analytical instruments based in Hercules.

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MELBOURNE, FLA. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Pascall Group Inc. (OTC) through its wholly owned subsidiary Pascall Coinex Corp. will introduce its new Coinless Vending Machines at the Florida Hotel & Motel Association Convention in Orlando, Fla., at the Orange County Convention Center Aug. 29 and 30.

Pascall's patented mechanism allows vending machines to operate without money in a controlled and monitored environment restricting the sale of alcohol and tobacco products to persons of legal age.

The machine is activated by remote control after payment and age verification for a single selection. Machines are placed in motel/hotel lobbies, restaurants, lounges, club houses, marinas, or anywhere there is a cashier.

Distributorships are available for most areas of the United States. An agreement has been signed by a major brewing company for their local delivery trucks to fill the machines and/or deliver product to the locations.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - August 23, 1990--The high cost of custom design has forced many homeowners and apartment dwellers to become ''do-it-yourselfers,'' organizing and designing their own homes to suit their particular needs and budgets. These consumers now rely on ''how to'' advice to make their job easier.

Selfix Inc., a leading manufacturer of home organization and housewares products, now introduces ''Home Sweet Home, Selfix' Guide to Organizing Your Home from Top to Bottom.''

The ''Home Sweet Home'' series will take consumers from room to room, suggesting tips and recommending products on how to make a home neat and organized, not cluttered and messy. Selfix offers consumers unique ideas on how to best utilize their often limited storage space.

Series I provides consumers with tips on how to cut clutter in the kitchen in cabinets and drawers, closets and shelves. It is available free of charge.

For copies of ''Home Sweet Home, Selfix' Guide to Organizing Your Home

From Top to Bottom,'' please send a written request to: ''Home Sweet Home'' Attn: Maggie Rogers Selfix, Inc. 4501 West 47th Street Chicago, IL 60632

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PINE BROOK, N.J. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - PURE TECH INTERNATIONAL, INC. (NASDAQ Symbols: PURT, PURTU, PURTW) Thursday announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter were $926,161 as compared to $132,956 for the quarter ended June 30, 1989. Net loss for the quarter was $252,090, or $0.02 per share, as compared to a net loss of $264,015, or $0.02 per share, for the same quarter last year.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $2,489,864 as compared to $175,860 for the first nine months of 1989. Net loss for the nine month period was $918,816, or $0.06 per share, as compared to a loss of $613,774, or $0.05 per share, for the nine months ended June 30, 1989.

Commenting on the results, David Katz, President of PURE TECH INTERNATIONAL, INC., stated, ''The increase in revenues during the first nine months of fiscal 1990 was derived primarily from PURE TECH's Joint Supply and Processing Agreement with NICON, Inc., a plastics recycler located in Long Island City, New York. PURE TECH has been supplying PET bottles to NICON's recycling plant, and both companies share equally in any profits generated from the joint venture. In addition, PURE TECH and NICON have embarked on a joint research and development project for the exploration of new recycling technologies.

Katz continued, ''During the quarter, PURE TECH incurred expenses of $232,002 related to litigation involving the Company. Had these expenses not been incurred, the loss for the quarter would have been reduced to $20,087. Until the resolution of the various lawsuits, we expect these litigation costs to continue at the current or a higher level.''

PURE TECH INTERNATIONAL, INC. is engaged in recycling post- consumer plastic bottles, including polyethylene terephthalate, or ''PET'' bottles (used in the soft drink industry), and high density polyethylene, or ''HDPE'' bottles (containers and jugs used for milk, juice, detergents, and other items) through a joint venture agreement with NICON, Inc. In

addition, the Company is involved in the development of new recycling technologies in its pilot plant.

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SANTA CRUZ, CALIF. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The Santa Cruz Operation Inc. (SCO) Thursday announced the upcoming availability of the first wave of third-party applications and hardware platforms for Open Desktop, SCO's complete graphical operating system for standard 386 and 486 microcomputers.

Application developers and hardware vendors supplying Open Desktop-compatible products are showcasing their offerings at SCO Forum90: The International SCO Technology and Marketing Conference, which takes place August 20 to 24 at the University of California at Santa Cruz.

Based on open system standards, Open Desktop is SCO's complete graphical operating system which brings advanced technical workstation capabilities to industry standard 386 and 486 microcomputers for business and technical users.

Open Desktop combines the full 32-bit built-in SCO UNIX System V/386 Release 3.2 Operating System, a graphical user interface, ready-to-connect networking services, flexible SQL relational database management, and complete MS-DOS and UNIX System integration into a single, efficient operating system.

Open Desktop is the only 386/486 development environment available for creating advanced, client-server, distributed applications that will comply with the new Intel Binary Compatible Specification (iBCS Edition 2) heralded as the open systems ''shrink wrap'' applications standard.

This new generation of networked graphical applications will provide unprecedented power to both business and technical users, whether they are running Open Desktop personal workstations or networked Open Desktop servers.

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CARLSBAD, CALIF. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - International Totalizator Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ITSI) has finalized the acquisition of McKinnie & Associates Inc. (MCK), a privately-held company.

In an exchange of stock, ITS acquired all of the issued and outstanding shares of MCK for 607,215 common shares of ITS. MCK becomes a wholly-owned subsidiary of ITS. MCK's founder, Jon R. McKinnie, will remain as president and chief executive officer. No material changes are contemplated for MCK's operations or name.

The transaction is expected to enhance per share earnings for ITS; however the pooling of interest accounting for the transaction will not be complete until the third quarter ending Sept. 30. MCK is well managed and profitable; it generated approximately $2.5 million (Unaudited) of revenue in 1989. MCK's sales, which have been growing steadily, are expected to increase ITS' financial stability and strengthen its quarterly and annual performance.

Founded in 1981, MCK is located in Shreveport, La. and employs about 20 people. MCK provides a proprietary, comprehensive management information system called TRACK MANAGER, primarily for computerized parimutuel wagering facilities.

MCK has installed its system at many of the major racetracks in the United States, including Arlington International, Churchill Downs, Remington Park, Saratoga and Louisiana Downs. Overseas, The Hong Kong Jockey Club and The Macau Jockey Club are mutual ITS and MCK customers.

The acquisition of MCK is part of a strategic plan for ITS to penetrate the domestic markets for parimutuel wagering and lotteries. ITS' new North American Wagering division will promote the ITS/MCK ''turn-key'' system to racetracks in the United States and Canada. This ''total solution'' is considered by ITS and MCK to be unique in the industry and should provide a competitive advantage in domestic and worldwide markets.

ITS, headquartered in Carlsbad, was founded in 1978 and went public in 1981. ITS has a global presence in the design, manufacture and marketing of customized ticketing systems for computerized parimutuel wagering, lotteries and automated travel industry products. ITS trades on the NASDAQ National Market System as ITSI.

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SANTA CRUZ, CALIF. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The Santa Cruz Operation Inc. (SCO) and Nokia Data Systems, AB of Sweden, Thursday announced a new long-term strategic alliance whereby Nokia Data will extend its current UNIX System product line to include SCO's Open Desktop, the complete graphical operating system for 386 and 486 computers.

Based on open system standards, Open Desktop brings the advanced capability of technical workstations to 386 and 486 computers for both business and technical users. Open Desktop combines the full 32-bit, built-in SCO UNIX System V/386 Release 3.2 Operating System with a graphical user interface, ready-to-connect networking services, flexible SQL relational database management, and complete MS-DOS and UNIX System integration into a single, efficient operating system.

The new Open Desktop Server Upgrade running on Nokia's 386- and 486-based computers enables customers to configure a wide variety of server systems, such as advanced multiuser systems using graphical-based X terminals, traditional multiuser systems using character-based terminals, hybrid multiuser systems using both character-based terminals and graphical-based X terminals, or networks of graphical workstations.

An Open Desktop server can also power multiuser database environments and high-end minicomputer-like environments, or provide a gateway to a mainframe or other systems.

Larry Michels, president and co-founder of SCO, said, ''I am particularly pleased to announce this new long-term relationship with Nokia Data, which includes the addition of SCO's Open Desktop to their product line.

''Nokia has been a pioneer with SCO in the UNIX System market since the early years when we first began shipping SCO XENIX System V. This agreement clearly demonstrates our shared vision of, and mutual commitment to, the exciting new open system market.''

Nokia Data is one of Europe's largest information technology companies, with net sales of U.S. $1.3 billion. Employing approximately 8,000 people in 10 European countries, Nokia's main products are workstations, network products, workgroup systems, and integrated information systems especially for banks, insurance companies, retailers, industry, and public administration.

The Santa Cruz Operation Inc., is a privately held company recognized internationally as the worldwide leader in open system software solutions. SCO offers a wide range of UNIX System V software solutions, training and support services for the standard hardware platforms.

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STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson (NASDAQ:ERICY), the international telecommunications group, Thursday reported financial results for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

Earnings(a) increased 43 percent for the first six months of 1990 to Swedish kronor 2,391 million (US$395 million(b)), vs. SEK 1,671 million (US$276 million) for the first half of 1989.

Capital gains amounted to SEK 65 million (US$11 million) in 1990, compared to SEK 9 million (US$1.5 million) in 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share after taxes paid were SEK 35 (US$5.78) for the first half of this year, vs. SEK 23 (US$3.80) for the same period in 1989.

Consolidated sales for the first half of 1990 increased 26 percent to SEK 22,484 million (US$3,712 million), compared to SEK 17,892 million (US$2,954 million) in the corresponding 1989 period.

Order bookings increased 33 percent to SEK 26,823 million (US$4,428 million) in 1990, vs. SEK 20,148 million (US$3,326 million) a year earlier.

According to Ericsson, the improvement in earnings is due mainly to the strong volume increase as well as a favorable margins trend in Public Telecommunication and Radio Communications. These two business areas, as well as Cables and Network, also posted marked increases in sales over the first six months of 1989.

The geographical areas in which Ericsson business is increasing the most are Italy, Spain and Australia, as well as the United States, where the cooperation with General Electric is contributing to higher sales.

For comparable units, the rise in consolidated sales was 19 percent. Operations in Sweden continued to account for a diminishing portion of the Group's total activities.

The company said that the forecast provided at the end of the first quarter for an increase in income, before appropriations and taxes, for the full year of slightly more than 25 percent remains valid.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications recognized for its advanced systems and products for wired and mobile communications in public and private networks. (a) Earnings refers to income before appropriations and taxes. (b) Dollar figures in this report have been translated at the rate of SEK 6.0575 to the dollar, the exchange rate on

June 30, 1990.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) announced that membership to its frequent flyer program, FlightFund, has surpassed the one million mark.

FlightFund was first established in June 1987. Rose Ceglia, director of FlightFund, said, ''We are very pleased with the consumer response to our frequent flyer program. We have nearly doubled our membership base in the last 15 months since America West announced its intention to serve Hawaii.''

Ceglia continued, ''FlightFund was developed to reward our customers for their loyalty toward America West. We have continually enhanced our program with the addition of high quality travel partners and the expansion of awards and benefits such as membership in our elite status program, the America West Chairman's Club, access to our exclusive airport lounge, priority boarding and many other benefits.''

Members can build FlightFund miles by traveling on America West, as well as on selected flights with Air France and Virgin Atlantic Airways. Mileage can also be earned through car rentals at Budget or Thrifty, and accommodations at Compri, Doubletree, Marriott or Red Lion hotels and resorts. Members may also redeem their award certificates with America West and these travel partners, along with Singapore Airlines for international flights and trans-Atlantic cruises aboard Cunard Line's QE2.

America West, the nation's 10th largest carrier, operates an all-Boeing fleet of 96 aircraft including 747s, 757s, 737s and de Havilland Dash 8s. The average age of the airline's fleet is approximately six years. America West is also the national champion in on-time performance for 1989 1988 and since the Department of Transportation began reporting in 1987.

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Main St. & Main Inc. (NASDAQ:MAIN), a Scottsdale, Ariz. based family entertainment company, has been approved for listing on the National Association of Securities

Dealers Automated Quotations system. The company's stock began trading on NASDAQ Wednesday.

The trading symbol ''MAIN'' has been assigned to Main St. & Main, which will be traded on the NASDAQ stock market's regular NASDAQ.

''Our listing on NASDAQ will help bring added exposure and credibility to Main St. & Main,'' says Joseph W. Panter, chief financial officer. ''We look forward to an increased interest in our company as we now become more accessible to the public.''

Main St. & Main currently owns and operates four TGI Friday's restaurants in Arizona and Nevada. The company plans to introduce an additional eight TGI Friday's over the next six years in Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico and El Paso, Texas, where the company has an exclusive 20-year development and franchise agreement with TGI Friday's Inc.

The company is currently pursuing a number of opportunities, with emphasis on restaurants and family entertainment facilities in the Southwest. Future plans include the development of amusement, hospitality, sports and entertainment complexes.

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TUSTIN, CA (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - S.Z. Rubenstein, president of Quality Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:QSII), a Tustin-based provider of computerized management systems to the health-care industry, announced Thursday key management appointments.

James F. Goblish, who joined the company in March 1990, was elected as an officer of the company on Aug. 8, 1990. In his capacity as vice president--marketing and sales, Goblish is responsible for management of the company's national new systems sales force as well as directing the company's marketing efforts.

Goblish brings a successful track record in generating growth and expanding market share for medical computer-systems companies. His professional background includes 17 years of increasingly responsible

marketing and sales positions with high-tech firms in the health-care industry.

Goblish's educational training includes a bachelor of arts degree (cum laude) as well as a master's degree in business administration from Harvard University.

The acquisition of Goblish has also enabled the company to enhance its other sales efforts. Grant Sadler, who has held a variety of sales and senior sales management positions since joining the company in April 1978, has been named the company's vice president--corporate development.

In this role, Sadler is responsible for the company's client-upgrade sales and large-system sales, such as institutional prospects.

The company believes that the use of Sadler in this capacity will prove extremely beneficial for QSI. In fact, Sadler was centrally involved in the sale of several large system upgrades for the first fiscal-1991 quarter ended June 30, 1990. These upgraded clients represent some of the company's largest system users to date.

QSI also announced the addition of Hoi Yu as an officer of the company serving as vice president--chief financial officer. Yu, who joined the company in May 1990, has more than 10 years of senior accounting management experience.

Quality Systems is engaged in the sale of computerized information-processing systems to medical and dental group practices.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC) Thursday announced that it had received a proposal from an investor group to acquire 50.1 percent of AmBase's common stock for $4 cash per share.

The investor group includes Sequoia Associates of Menlo Park, Calif.; Hermitage Capital Corp., a subsidiary of Financial Securities Fund, L.P. of New York City and Nashville; and Whitman Heffernon Rhein and Co. Inc., of New York City.

Directors of Financial Securities Fund, L.P. include insurance investor Shelby Cullom Davis, a former U.S. Ambassador to Switzerland; Donald MacNaughton, former chairman and chief executive officer of The Prudential Insurance Company of America; Benjamin N. Woodson, former chairman and

chief executive officer of American General Corp.; H. John Bremermann, Jr. former chairman and chief executive officer of Maryland Casualty Co.; and Guilford Dudley Jr., former chairman and president of Life & Casualty Insurance Co.

Following the investor group acquisition, the proposal provides for an underwritten, transferable rights offering to AmBase stockholders of zero-coupon notes with attached warrants to purchase 34 million shares of common stock of AmBase at $2 per share.

Notes not purchased by AmBase stockholders will be purchased by the investor group resulting in a total cash infusion of $68 million.

The transacation, which is subject to definitive agreements, financing, regulatory approvals and other conditions, also contemplates the refinancing of AmBase's existing bank debt of $410 million through a new financing facility to be led by Westpac Banking Corp.

A spokesman for the investor group said, ''The Company has fundamentally solid operating units with excellent management and employees. We believe our offer will help the Company improve its financial position and at the same time enable the current stockholders to share in future benefits from the operations of the underlying business units. Additionally, we believe that The Home Insurance Company, under the leadership of Jim Meenaghan, its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, is well positioned to become a premier underwriter.''

The company said the new proposal would be submitted for consideration by its Board of Directors.

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VANCOUVER, BC (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Glamis Gold's total production of 40,467 ounces of gold is an increase of 11,219 ounces or 38 percent over the like period a year ago.

The average price received per ounce of gold was US$407, up from US$402 last year, resulting in revenues of C$19,357,000, an increase of over 37

percent.

Cash costs per ounce of production averaged US$148 for the Picacho and Yellow Aster operations, down from US$240 a year ago. Total production costs showed a substantial decrease from US$319 last year to US$206 this year.

The reduction in total production costs included a decrease in general and administrative costs of C$705,000 which represents a 30 percent decrease from the prior year.

The results of this very successful year produced net earnings of C$4,991,000 or C$.31 (US$.26) per share, compared to a loss of C$.32 per share was reported last year.

At year end, the company had entered into forward sales contracts for 17,700 ounces of gold at an average price of US$411 per ounce for fiscal 1991.

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604/681-3541.

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TROY, MI (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Handleman Co. (NYSE: HDL) Thursday announced net sales for the first fiscal quarter ended July 28, 1990, of $146.2 million, compared with $127.3 million in the first quarter ended July 29, 1989, an increase of $18.9 million or 15 percent.

Prerecorded video sales were $50.2 million vs. $35.6 million last year, an increase of $14.6 million or 41 percent.

Video sales for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were favorably impacted by the release of ''Little Mermaid'' to the sell-through market (for which there was not a comparable release during the first quarter of fiscal 1990) and continued sales growth in both budget and regularly-priced video cassettes.

Music sales in the first quarter this year increased 6 percent to $81.5 million this year from $76.8 million last year as a result of the inclusion of $2.7 million of sales of the Interstate division, which was acquired in January 1990, and the shipment of key new music recordings, including ''Step By Step'' by New Kids On The Block.

Book division sales this year were $12.8 million vs. $11.8 million last year, an increase of 8 percent.

Home computer software sales of $1.7 million were down 45 percent from the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Net income for the first quarter this year was $5.1 million, or 16 cents per share, compared with $5.8 million, or 18 cents per share last year. The gross profit margin for the first quarter this year was 27.2 percent, a decrease from the 28.9 percent achieved in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

The decrease in the gross profit margin was primarily due to an increase in the proportion of prerecorded video sales to total sales and sales of ''Little Mermaid,'' on which the company achieved a gross profit margin substantially less than the overall video gross margin.

In addition, last year's first quarter gross profit margin was enhanced by a higher than usual mix of budget audio and video product which carry above average gross profit margins. The 27.2 percent gross profit margin for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 is comparable to the 27.3 average gross profit margin for the most recent five first fiscal quarters.

Handleman Co. is the largest specialized merchandiser of home entertainment products to mass merchandisers in North America. Product includes prerecorded music, prerecorded video, books and home computer software.

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The Cato Corp. (OTC: CACOA) Thursday reported a profit of $212,000, or 2 cents per share for its second quarter of fiscal 1990, compared to a profit of $6,000 in the prior year.

Year-to-date profit was reported as $1,300,000, or 9 cents per share, compared to $1,036,000, or 7 cents per share in 1989.

For the three months ended Aug. 4, 1990, total revenues were $61,335,000 compared with $63,938,000 in the prior year. Cato Division comparable store sales declined 3.9 percent over the prior year's second quarter and on a year-to-date basis trailed prior year by 7.2 percent.

The company operated 33 fewer stores at end of second quarter 1990 compared to 1989. The company's Off Price division operated 62 stores

throughout most of the second quarter, following the closing of 11 stores in May, and posted a comparable stores sales gain of 5.5 percent for the second quarter and 2.1 percent for the year-to-date period.

Wayland H. Cato Jr., chairman, reported: ''We have substantially sold the undesirable sportswear assortment of the first quarter at reasonably acceptable margins. This effort was aided by a strong dress and coat business throughout the first half and restoration of a consistent promotional effort.

''We continue to seek ways to reduce operating expenses and capital expenditures in order to enhance cash flow and lower our break-even point. We are continually reviewing individual store operating performance to determine future lease renewal and store closing actions.''

Cato further remarked: ''The retail industry is under extreme pressure due to a softening economy, tight credit, reduced consumer confidence and spending, and an overstored, price competitive retail environment.

The Cato Corp. is a women's apparel specialty retailer, currently operating 557 stores in 25 states under the names ''Cato/Cato Plus'' and $6 & $8 Fashions.'' The company's shares are traded over the counter under the National Market System symbol CACOA.

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Thomas H. Hicks, 704/551-7267

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LAGUNA HILLS, CALIF. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Sir Speedy Printing Centers around the country are launching a new program to promote printing on recycled paper.

The announcement was made in Dallas Thursday at the company's international convention by Sir Speedy Inc. President and Chief Executive Officer Don Lowe.

''Our primary customers are small and mid-sized businesses. Many want to do their part to protect the environment. Printing on recycled paper is one of the simplest, most cost-effective ways to do this,'' said Lowe.

According to Lowe, the idea to offer recycled paper came from company franchisees. He says one Sir Speedy owner in Ohio initially made the suggestion because many of his business customers wanted their work produced on recycled paper. Sir Speedy found other company franchisees had similar experiences.

While business use of recycled paper is in its infancy, Sir Speedy believes interest is on the rise. Much of the momentum comes from business leaders who are establishing more environmentally conscious operating policies.

Lowe believes this trend will continue with increased awareness about alternatives such as recycled paper. ''As business people realize a broad range of high-quality recycled stocks are available for many applications, and that the cost is about the same as virgin paper, we think more companies will choose to use it.''

Sir Speedy Printing Centers throughout the country are announcing the availability of recycled paper to their customers in a variety of ways. Employee buttons invite customers to ''ask about recycled paper.'' Brochures explain the variety and uses of recycled paper. There is direct mail material, radio and print advertising.

Franchisor Sir Speedy is based in Laguna Hills, Calif. The company's system has been the quick printing industry's sales leader since 1988 and last year became the first to exceed $300 million in sales. Much of this is attributed to specializing in services for small and mid-sized businesses, which account for some 90 percent of all customers. There are 860 centers throughout the United States, Canada and Hong Kong.

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Stephen Nissen, 213/455-3820

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GARDEN GROVE, CA (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Hycor Biomedical Inc. (NASDAQ:HYBD) Thursday announced that its new accuPINCH line of rapid, simple, on-site drugs-of-abuse tests were introduced at the American Correctional Association's national convention on Aug. 14 in San Diego.

Initial response has been very encouraging.

The first four tests in the product line are for cocaine, marijuana, opiates and PCP. A fifth test for the detection of amphetamines is expected to be available in October. Initially, the company has targeted as its greatest opportunity the parole, probation and drug-rehabilitation markets.

Hycor Biomedical is a biotechnology firm specializing in the development, manufacturing and worldwide marketing of human diagnostic products.

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Reg Jones, 714/895-9558.

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MORRISTOWN, NJ (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Joseph Dasti, executive chairman of the board of directors of NMR of America Inc. announced Thursday that the new slate of directors has taken office and held its first organizational meeting on August 20.

He reported that the new directors received reports from the operation and financial officers of the company and from the president. Dasti reported that as a result of the change of the By-laws, he had been granted senior executive authority in that company.

Dasti reported to the board that the new slate of directors had received approximately 1.7 million votes in their favor compared to 1.3 million votes for the former management slate. Dasti indicated that appropriate committees had been formed by the new board including a Shareholders Value Enhancement Committee over which he will serve as chairperson.

That committee was formed to evaluate ways to improve the company's worth to its shareholders and that it has under consideration the possible merger, consolidation or sale of substantially all of the assets of the company. Dasti reported that several companies had contacted the company indicating an interest in acquiring NMR.

These discussions are in the preliminary stage according to Dasti and no agreements in principle have been reached. Dasti reported that the company had appointed special counsel to continue these discussions with these companies and any other companies which might indicate an interest in combining with NMR of America Inc.

Dasti indicated that the company will continue to operate as it has in the past but with a greater emphasis on a program of improved profits and expansion.

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HERNDON, VA. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - TEMPEST Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: TTOI) announced Thursday that David C. Lucien has resigned as the company's president and chief executive officer.

Lucien is resigning to pursue other interests. To allow sufficient time

for the company to find a replacement and to effect an orderly transition of duties, Lucien will terminate his employment with the company on Oct. 15, 1990.

The company further stated, ''Mr. Lucien will retain his position as a director of the company and in that capacity, his experience and capabilities will continue to be available to the company.''

TEMPEST Technologies Inc., a publicly held company headquartered in Herndon, designs and manufactures modifications for computer and peripheral equipment to comply with Military Standards and TEMPEST specifications established by the United States Government. Its shares are traded on the NASDAQ under the symbol ''TTOI''.

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Alan Stewart, 703/471-0157

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VANCOUVER, BC (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Construction at the Estrades zinc/gold mine was completed, and development of the orebody was started. The first ore was shipped from the mine to the mill in early August.

Breakwater Resources took control of the 100 percent-owned El Mochito zinc/lead/silver mine and began taking steps to improve productivity and reduce production costs.

Bulk underground mining methods were successfully implemented at the Caribou zinc/lead/silver mine. In the mill, zinc recoveries have increased significantly.

Peter Steen was appointed as Chairman of the board of directors. Steen is also the President and Chief Executive Officer of Breakwater Resources' largest shareholder, Corona Corp.

In the first six months of 1990, Breakwater Resources Ltd. earned $4,305,000 or 7 cents per share, compared with $5,816,000 (restated) or 9 cents per share for the like period in 1989. Revenue for the period was $33,969,000 compared to $38,594,000 in the first half of 1989.

The decline in earnings resulted from a combination of lower gold prices, a stronger U.S. dollar, and lower grades at the Cannon Mine. These factors were partially offset by lower operating costs at the El Mochito Mine.

As the year progresses, a larger portion of Breakwater Resources' revenues will be derived from sales of zinc concentrates rather than gold.

This strategic shift into base metals production reflects the company's belief that base metal prices will remain strong and therefore the purchase and development of base metal assets is an appropriate use of the company's resources.

Peter Steen, President and Chief Executive Officer of Corona Corp., has been appointed as Chairman of the board of directors of Breakwater Resources Ltd. Corona Corp. presently owns a 27.4 percent interest in Breakwater and may continue to increase its position.

Exploration for base metals and gold continued on approximately 30 properties located in Canada, the United States and Honduras. In 1990 the Company plans to spend $5.2 million on mineral exploration either directly, or through its portfolio of junior mining companies controlled by Breakwater's 29.9 percent-owned subsidiary, Noramco Mining Corp.

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EL PASO, TX (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Texscan Corp. (NASDAQ:TXCN), a leading manufacturer of cable television distribution and commercial insertion electronics, and fiber optic systems integrator, Thursday reported substantial net income and earnings per share gains.

Sales for the quarter were $10,100,000 compared with $11,150,000 in the prior year's first quarter. For the three months ending July 28, net income increased 201 percent to $424,000, or 4 cents per share compared with $141,000, or 1 cent per share, earned in the comparable period last year.

The company's European operations recorded a 19 percent increase in revenue over prior year quarter; led by the progress in the company's European operations the company recorded an increase in operating income of 29 percent.

Included as a reduction of income is a non-cash provision for income taxes offset by an increase in equity as required by FAS 96; this non-cash provision for taxes had the effect of lowering the reported net income by $88,000, or one cent per share than if the provision had not been required.

Headquartered in El Paso, Texscan Corp., (NASDAQ:TXCN) is best known as a designer and manufacturer of a broad line of distribution and commerical

insertion electronics for the cable television industry as well as an integrator of large scale fiber optic systems in Europe.

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or
Morgen-Walke Associates Inc., New York
Lynn Morgen, 212/986-5900

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DALLAS (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Oryx Energy Co. today announced a natural gas discovery in East Texas with daily production of more than three million cubic feet of gas (MMcf) and nearly 160 barrels of condensate (BC).

The Bracken Grandchildren Trust No. 2, located on the Don Thomas Quevado Survey A-18 in Smith County, Texas, flowed at a rate of 3.18 MMcf/D and 158 BC/D from perforations between 12,212 and 12,379 feet through a 14/64-inch choke at a flowing tubing pressure of 3,550 pounds per square inch.

The discovery in the Travis Peak Formation was drilled to a total depth of 12,939 feet and is 10 miles southwest of Tyler and three miles northwest of the Hazel Owens Field. The gas from the discovery well is sold to industrial end-users. Oryx Energy has more than 10,000 acres in the discovery area and plans additional development drilling.

Oryx Energy is the operator with a 66.7 percent working interest. American Energy Partners-88 of Los Angeles has the remaining 33.3 percent interest.

Dallas-based Oryx Energy Co. is the largest independent oil and gas producer in the world, with assets in excess of $5 billion and proved reserves of more than one billion equivalent barrels.

Oryx Energy conducts its domestic operations through Sun Energy Partners, L.P., of which it is the managing general partner and 98-percent owner. Oryx Energy trades on the New York Stock Exchange with the symbol "ORX" and the partnership with the symbol "SLP."

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ATLANTA (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - American Software's (NASDAQ:AMSWA) revenues for the quarter ended July 31 grew to $22,348,000, up 11 percent

from $20,115,000 in the same period last fiscal year.

First quarter pre-tax earnings amounted to $5,914,000, compared to $6,150,000 a year ago. Net earnings were $3,879,000 vs. $3,875,000 in the first quarter of fiscal year 1990.

For first quarter 1991, earnings per share were 17 cents on 23,425,077 weighted average shares outstanding vs. 17 cents in 1990 on 22,611,953 weighted average shares outstanding.

American Software, headquartered in Atlanta, develops, markets and supports business application software for a wide range of end-users, including manufacturing companies, public utilities, financial institutions, healthcare facilities and distribution concerns.

AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC.
Selected Financial Information
For the Quarter Ended July 31,

	1991	1990
Revenues	$22,348,000	$20,115,000
Operating earnings	$ 4,661,000	$ 4,956,000
Earnings before income taxes	$ 5,914,000	$ 6,150,000
Income taxes	$ 2,035,000	$ 2,275,000
Net earnings	$ 3,879,000	$ 3,875,000
Earnings per share	17 cents	17 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	23,425,077	22,611,953

CONTACT: American Software Inc., Atlanta
Michael E. Kohlsdorf, 404/261-4381.

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BASKING RIDGE, NJ (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Thursday announced it has signed a contract to provide operator services for long-distance calls from the more than 26,000 room phones at 52 ITT Sheraton properties nationwide.

AT&T said the contract is valued at approximately $15 million for three years. AT&T long-distance operator services also will be made available to an additional 280 independently operated ITT Sheraton properties. AT&T will provide 24-hour operator services and AT&T prices for calling card, person-to-person, billed-to-third-number and collect calls from all guest rooms in participating ITT Sheraton properties.

''Our guests receive the best in every service offered by ITT Sheraton,'' said Lawrence W. Hall, director of hotel systems and telecommunications,

ITT Sheraton Corp. ''AT&T Long Distance Service will give guests who stay with us the quality and service they've come to expect from ITT Sheraton.''

AT&T currently provides long-distance services at 13 of the 15 largest hotel and motel chains in the country. ITT Sheraton is the fourth largest national hotel chain.

ITT Sheraton also is ranked as the largest hotel chain in the world in terms of international coverage. It currently has nearly 500 existing or planned properties serving more than 25 million guests annually in 65 countries around the world.

Hotel guests can reach AT&T from the hotel's room phones by dialing a single access digit and then ''0'' plus the area code and the number being called. AT&T customers calling from hotels, motels, airports and other locations that have not selected AT&T need to dial an access code -- 10+ATT+0 -- to reach AT&T.

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or
ITT Sheraton Corporation, Boston
Robert Emmons, 617/367-3600.

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PLANO, TX (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Eljer Industries, Inc. (NYSE: ELJ) Thursday announced that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly dividend of 7 cents per share on the company's outstanding common stock.

The dividend is payable October 15, 1990, to shareholders of record September 28, 1990.

Headquartered in Plano, Texas, Eljer Industries, Inc. is a leading manufacturer and marketer of high-quality building products for residential and commercial construction, remodeling and repair, and do-it-yourself markets in North America and Europe.

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Wesley Thompson or Janet Hayes, 312/630-9662.

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FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Clifton H. Morris Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of URCARCO Inc. (NASDAQ:CARS), Thursday

announced that the company has opened its first retail used car lot in San Antonio.

The sales facility, which is located at 9807 San Pedro, opened for business on Saturday, Aug. 18, and currently displays 160 cars and light trucks.

''We are very excited about the potential of this new market,'' Morris said. ''According to industry sources, San Antonio is the third largest used car market in Texas.'' Morris went on to say that the new facility employs approximately 25 persons, the majority of whom were hired from the San Antonio work force.

URCARCO Inc. operates a chain of 18 ''we finance'' used car retail lots in Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston, Austin and San Antonio, Texas, selling quality used cars and light trucks and typically financing customer purchases.

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Robyn B. Trent, 817/882-7018.

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COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated Stores Corp. (NYSE:CNS) Thursday reported that for the second quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990, net sales increased 19.6 percent to $159.0 million from $133.0 million in the 1989 period.

Consolidated Stores Corporation
Second Quarter 1990

Following are the condensed operating results of the company (in thousands, except per share data).

	13 Weeks Ended		26 Weeks Ended	
	Aug 4 1990	July 29 1989	Aug 4 1990	July 29 1989
Net Sales	$159,063	$133,030	$299,083	$264,639
Operating Profit (loss)	3,668	1,712	(293)	1,708
Income/(loss) before income taxes	1,271	34	(4,823)	(1,707)
Net income/(loss)	804	24	(2,917)	(1,063)
Earnings per share	2 cents	-----	(6 cents)	(2 cents)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	45,500	45,443	45,491	45,400

Consolidated Stores Corp.
Statement of Operations
(In thousands, except per share data)

	26 Weeks Ended					
	Aug. 4, 1990		July 29, 1989		Change	
	Amount	% Sales	Amount	% Sales	Amount	%
Sales:						
Retail	290,341	97.1	256,686	97.0	33,655	13.1
Wholesale	8,742	2.9	7,953	3.0	789	9.9
	299,083	100.0	264,639	100.0	34,444	13.0
Cost of sales:						
Retail	174,536	60.1	149,870	58.4	24,666	16.5
Wholesale	6,316	72.2	5,684	71.5	632	11.1
	180,852	60.5	155,554	58.8	25,298	16.3
Gross Margin:						
Retail	115,805	39.9	106,816	41.6	8,989	8.4
Wholesale	2,426	27.8	2,269	28.5	157	6.9

CONTACT: Consolidated Stores Corp., Columbus
William B. Snow, 614/278-6800.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Re Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:PXRE) Thursday announced that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on Sept. 18, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Sept. 4, 1990.

Phoenix Re provides reinsurance products and services to a national and international marketplace, with principal emphasis on commercial and personal property risks.

CONTACT: Phoenix Re Corp., New York
Gerald L. Radke, 212/837-9520.

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SANDWICH, MA (AUG. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - The Sandwich Co-operative Bank (NASDAQ:SWCB) announced that its Annual Meeting of Stockholders was held yesterday.

At the Meeting, stockholders elected Frederic D. Legate, Howard P. Crowell

David O. MacKinnon and George B. Rockwell as Directors of the Bank each for three year terms, and elected Dana S. Briggs to serve as Clerk of the Bank for the next twelve months.

Stockholders also approved of the re-organization of the Bank into the holding company form of ownership. Upon receipt of the required regulatory approvals, the Bank will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sandwich Bancorp, Inc.

Yesterday's meeting was Sandwich Co-operative's fourth annual meeting of stockholders since becoming a public company in July, 1986. At July 31, 1990, the end of the most recent reporting period, Sandwich Co-operative Bank's total assets were $237.4 million, with stockholders' equity of $30.7 million.

Sandwich Co-operative Bank, with eight banking offices in Southeastern Massachusetts, has its deposits insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and the Share Insurance Fund (SIF).

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Dana S. Briggs, 508/888-0026

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MANCHESTER, NH (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Davis P. Thurber, chairman, Bank of New Hampshire Corp., announced that the company's board of directors have voted a quarterly dividend of 13 cents per share, as compared to the previous quarterly dividend of 23 cents per share.

Commenting on the 10 cent per share reduction from the previous quarter, Thurber stated that ''Given the continued general softness in the local and regional economy and other considerations, the board of directors deemed this a realistic and prudent course of action at this time, and it will continue to assess, on a quarterly basis, the advisability and level of future declarations.'' He also noted that the company's capital position remains strong and, in fact, as of June 30, 1990 the company's primary capital ratio stood at 8.07 percent - well in excess of the current regulatory requirement of 5.5 percent.

The dividend will be paid Oct. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Sept. 12, 1990.

Bank of New Hampshire Corp., headquartered in Manchester, is a five-bank holding company. The offices of the affiliates total 28, in 16 different communities throughout the southern, central, coastal and lakes regions of the state.

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Gregory D. Landroche, 603/624-6600, ext. 2755.

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HOPKINTON, MA (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - EMC Corp. anounces reduced pricing of 15-20% on IBM disk storage products and 25% on all AS/400 memory products.

According to Vice President of Midrange Marketing Michael Egan, ''EMC has reduced prices to maintain our competitive pricing edge over IBM. We have always prided ourselves on providing the best price/performance advantage, but know that the real reason our customers choose EMC products is for their superior performance and reliability.''

''IBM's new drive announcement is really an attempt to catch up in the area of DASD technology,'' commented Egan. ''IBM's pricing promotion on existing products appears to be an attempt to compensate for their older technology. We have shipped over 1,000 DASD units this year which incorporate 5-1/4 inch drive technology. Recent independent benchmarks of our SL/932-XP against the IBM 9332 have proven that this is the fastest and most reliable technology for disk storage.

''Combined with our proprietary AET (Automatic Error Thresholding) feature and advanced bidirectional controller technology, we feel that EMC still offers IBM users storage products with the highest levels of performance, capacity, and reliability.''

EMC's new pricing for its 600MB SL/932-XP disk drive is $11,950. Pricing for the SL/935-XP A01 controller is $5,850 and for the 855.8MB B01 drive is $15,560. The new pricing structure for AS/400 memory is $750 per megabyte.

EMC Corp. is the leading independent manufacturer of high performance memory and disk storage products for IBM AS/400, S/38, and S/36 computers. EMC also manufactures storage products for IBM mainframe systems.

CONTACT: EMC Corp., Hopkinton
Michael Egan, 508/435-1000.

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WEST CHESTER, PA (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Expanding its suburban coverage, TICKETRON has opened a new ticket outlet at Mail Boxes Etc. USA, 1554 Paoli Pike in West Chester, Pa.

The new location is part of the TICKETRON connection for the best in local sports and entertainment including attractions at the Shubert and Forrest Theatres and concerts at the Mann Music Center, Dell East, Valley Forge Music Fair and Tower Theater. TICKETRON also covers the Philadelphia 76ers and Eagles home games plus the Franklin Institute and Atlantic City casinos.

Mail Boxes Etc. joins the Philadelphia area network of more than 35 TICKETRON outlets for the convenient purchase of tickets for sports, entertainment and cultural events both locally and throughout the United States.

The hours at Mail Boxes Etc. are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Tickets are also available from TICKETRON PhoneCharge at: 1-800-233-4050.

With 19 regional offices, 11 regional TICKETRON PhoneCharge operations and more than 700 TICKETRON outlets, TICKETRON is America's leading full service computerized ticketing network for sports and entertainment events throughout the U.S.A. and Canada.

CONTACT: TICKETRON, Philadelphia
Mark Horwitz, 215/576-5514

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BOSTON (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Lifetime Corp. (NYSE:LFT), reported Thursday that it has filed a registration statement to register an aggregate of 395,807 shares of common stock owned by certain stockholders of the company.

Approximately 190,000 shares are being registered on behalf of the Sellers of Markka Healthcare Inc., Healthcare Staff Resources and National Mentor Inc. pursuant to registration rights contained in various purchase agreements.

Approximately 193,000 of the shares underlie certain stock options owned by the company's management. The company has been informed that they have no current intention to exercise their stock options and sell the underlying shares.

Lifetime Corp., through its Kimberly Quality Care, ASB Meditest, Mentor and Office Angels divisions, is one of the nation's largest providers of home health care personnel and services, psychiatric care and supplemental staffing for home care institutions, a leading provider of paramedical

examinations to insurance companies, schools, and businesses, and is a provider of temporary and permanent office personnel.

CONTACT: Lifetime Corp., Boston
Joann E. Killeen, 617/330-5080.

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BURLINGTON, MA (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Horizons International Foods Inc. Thursday announced the election of Alan R. Plassche as president and chief executive officer.

Horizons is a new venture operation with First Boston Corp. as a lead investor. Plassche comes to Horizons from General Foods U.S.A. where he was corporate vice president and president/general manager of the Foodservice Division. He also brings 18 years of grocery products marketing experience to Horizons.

In addition to his experience at General Foods, he presently serves as first vice chairman of the International Foodservice Manufacturers Association and sits on the board of directors of The Culinary Institute of America.

Horizons International Foods is a food processing company which uses new technologies to develop high quality products for food service that can be prepared more easily than their traditional counterparts. Its first product, Gold Rush Fries, is a french fry that is prepared without frying, yet retains the taste and consistency of a deep-fryed product. Other new products will also be potato based snacks. These initial products are targeted toward bringing incremental business opportunities to foodservice operators.

Horizons International Foods is based in Burlington, Mass. and owns a manufacturing plant in Salt Lake City, Utah, and research development facilities in Woburn, Mass. The research facility has a staff of internationally recognized food technologists who are currently developing a number of additional new product entries

CONTACT: Niblett/Devine Inc., Quincy, Mass.
John Bentz or Leslee McGovern, 617/479-0092

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DALLAS (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of American Petrofina Inc. (ASE:APIA) meeting in Dallas Thursday, declared a quarterly dividend of 80 cents per share on the Class ''A'' and Class ''B'' common

stock of the company.

The dividend is payable Sept. 14, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 4, 1990.

American Petrofina Inc. through its main operating subsidiary, Fina Oil and Chemical Co., engages in crude oil and natural gas exploration, production, and marketing; petroleum products refining, supply and transportation and marketing; and chemicals manufacturing and marketing. Organized in 1956, it is a part of an international group of companies affiliated with Petrofina S.A. headquartered in Brussels, Belgium.

CONTACT: American Petrofina Inc., Dallas
Rick Hager, 214/750-2902

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DOUGLASTON, N.Y. (AUG. 23) BUSNESS WIRE - New York Bancorp (NASDAQ:NYBC) announced Thursday that the company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Home Federal Savings Bank, filed a notice with the Office of Thrift Supervision, of its intention to upstream 100 percent of 1990 calendar year earnings to the holding company, New York Bancorp.

The filing was made pursuant to the new capital distribution regulations promulgated by the OTS (12 CFR 563.134) which now permit Tier 1 associations to distribute 100 percent of earnings to shareholders. Home Federal was recently notified that it qualified as a Tier 1 association pursuant to the new regulation and, therefore, could file notice of capital distributions as provided for under the regulation.

The company also announced that on July 20, New York Bancorp's board approved a plan to pay dividends to shareholders upon the expiration of the notice requirements of the new regulation. A special board meeting is planned for late Sept. 1990 to consider a dividend declaration.

Martin D. Dehler, chairman and CEO commented, ''One of the purposes of the new OTS regulation is to allow well-capitalized, healthy thrift provide a reasonable return to investors in the form of dividends. I am pleased that the company is in a position to enhance shareholder value through the institution of dividends and am also pleased that the board acted quickly to take advantage of the new banking regulation.''

CONTACT: New York Bancorp Inc., Douglaston
Gerald E. Lundgren, 718/631-8100

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NASHVILLE, TENN. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The American Network Group Inc. (''company'') (NASDAQ:AMNT) (BSE:ANW) Thursday reported that it realized a loss of ($322,549) or (4 cents) per common share for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of ($126,145) or (2 cents) per common share for the corresponding period.

Total revenues for the first quarter of 1991 were $923,457 compared to $825,679 for the corresponding period, an increase of $97,778 or 11.8 percent.

This increase in total revenues was due solely to revenues of $235,249 generated by the company's radio station business segment, which was recently established on Nov. 1, 1989, with the completion by the company of its acquisitions of radio stations WPTN-AM and WGSQ-FM located in Cookeville, Tenn.

Costs and expenses for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were $1,198,221 as compared to $904,036 for the corresponding period, an increase of $294,185 or 32.5 percent. The increase in expenses was due primarily to expenses of $243,667 incurred by the company's radio station business segment, which represents 20.3 percent of total expenses and 82.8 percent of the increase in expenses when compared to the corresponding period.

In addition, the company announced that on July 25, 1990, it notified holders of its 10 percent convertible preferred stock (''preferred stock'') of the company's intention not to pay dividends on the preferred stock during fiscal 1991. Such dividends will accrue during fiscal 1991.

Under certain current terms and conditions relative to the preferred stock the preferred stock is convertible into common stock of the company (hereinafter ''common stock'') on the basis of one share of common stock for each share of preferred stock outstanding.

CONTACT: The American Network Group Inc., Nashville
Larry D. Sensing, 615/742-6105

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The Pacific Stock Exchange has announced the exclusive listing and commencement of trading of the common stock of ATC Environmental Inc. (PSE:AEI).

The company's stock began trading on Aug. 15.

Based in New York, the company was founded in 1982 as an independent analytical testing laboratory, and is now a national environmental consulting firm providing assessment, monitoring, training, and analytical services for asbestos abatement and environmental projects.

Clients of ATC include financial institutions, commercial real estate owners, insurance companies, government agencies, educational institutions developers, contractors and the military.

CONTACT: The Pacific Stock Exchange, San Francisco
Brian Scott-Murray, 415/393-4162 or
Roy Berces, 415/393-4188

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LONDON (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Alan Curran has been appointed to the post of Head of Investor Relations at British Gas (NYSE:BRG), succeeding Dr. Robert South who has been appointed to the newly created post of Director of Strategic Planning for the company's gas business. Previously, Curran was Head of Planning and Liaison in the company's Research and Technology Division.

Effective October 1, 1990, Dr. Curran will report to the Managing Director, Group Finance, and will be responsible for developing relationships between British Gas and the professional investment communities in the UK and overseas.

Curran was graduated from Strathclyde University with an honors degree in Chemistry, and subsequently obtained a PhD from Cambridge University for research in Chemical Physics. Following research work in the United States as a Harkness Fellow, and at the University of London as a Ramsay Fellow, Curran joined the British Gas Watson House research station in 1977. In 1985 he was appointed Housing Development Manager at Watson House, and in 1987 he was seconded to the Customer Service function in the company's West Midlands Region.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers. British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore. Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to ten ordinary shares.

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WICKLIFFE, OHIO (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Bailey Controls and E.I. Du Pont De Nemours & Co. Inc. have reached a strategic business agreement whereby Bailey will serve as one of two preferred suppliers of distributed process controls to Du Pont facilities worldwide.

The agreement, which applies to over 200 current Du Pont locations and all future plants, covers the purchase of Bailey INFI 90 distributed, digital systems plus a wide range of ''smart'' field instrumentation.

The Du Pont-Bailey agreement marks a significant milestone in a well-established business relationship between the two companies. Just five years ago, Du Pont utilized more than 18 process control suppliers. In 1985, the firm reduced this number to five guideline suppliers, including Bailey.

Bailey Controls is a leading, multinational supplier of products, systems and services for instrumentation and control to the process industries. Bailey INFI 90 and NETWORK 90 systems are installed in over 14,000 applications worldwide, supported by a comprehensive line of ''smart'' digital instrumentation. The Bailey Group includes subsidiaries and affiliates in 12 countries, employs 4,500 worldwide, and has revenues approaching $700 million.

E.I. Du Pont De Nemours & Co. Inc. is a global leader in the fields of chemicals, energy, synthetic fabrics, and specialty products. The firm operates over 200 manufacturing facilities in over 50 countries, with worldwide employment of over 140,000. Du Pont serves a wide range of both consumer and industrial users, with annual revenues of over $35 billion.

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Edward F. Gabrosek, 216/585-8500

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BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - On Aug. 22, 1990, the board of directors of City National Corp., holding company for Southern

California-based City National Bank, declared the regular quarterly dividend of 16 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990.

The dividend is payable Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Sept. 28, 1990.

City National has 32,107,615 shares issued and outstanding.

CONTACT: City National Corp., Beverly Hills
J.F. Schulte, 213/550-5434

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ROTTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Royal Nedlloyd Group an international leader in integrated transport and logistics services, Thursday announced that its net group result for the first half year of 1990 amounted to Dfl 26.8 million against Dfl 112.7 million in the same period last year.

This decline is more pronounced than Nedlloyd foresaw at the time of the annual meeting on May 30. Earnings per share decreased from Dfl 6.47 to Dfl 1.40.

Turnover increased by 24.5 percent to Dfl 3,286 million. To an important degree, the increase was caused by the consolidation of companies which were taken over in the course of 1989 such as the West German enterprise Union-Transport.

On the other hand, growth was held back by the general lower level of freights in the Ocean Transport sector. The autonomous turnover increased by 3.1 percent. In the period under review, the operating result rose by 17 percent to Dfl 114.3 million. This includes a profit on the sale of tangible fixed assets of Dfl 95.6 million (first half year 1989: Dfl 16.3 million). Primarily, this must be attributed to the sale of real estate in Japan and to the sale of the LNG-tanker ''Gastor''. The direct negative effect caused by the lower average exchange rate of the US dollar could only be partially offset by hedging activities.

Various activities developed in the desired direction, but in ocean shipping and in the European road transport activities developments did not live up to expectations. Structuring Nedlloyd's networks was more costly in terms of money and temporary loss of turnover than was anticipated.

The result on ordinary activities dropped from Dfl 50.2 million to Dfl 29.6 million in spite of the much higher amount of profits on the sale of tangible fixed assets which are included. The income from investments

decreased by Dfl 15 million; the balance of interest payable minus interest receivable increased by Dfl 23 million due to a higher level of interest rates and a larger amount of financing.

Royal Nedlloyd Group is an international leader in integrated land, sea and air transport and logistic services. Nedlloyd's shares are listed on the Amsterdam and Frankfurt Stock Exchanges and trade in ADR form in the United States (symbol 3NEDGY on the electronic OTC Bulletin Board). Nedlloyd may be accessed on the Quotron system under the symbol NEDLN.EU and the Reuters Equity 2000 system under the symbol NYLN.AS.

CONTACT: Taylor Rafferty Associates Inc., New York
James P. Prout, 212/889-4350

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CHATTANOOGA, TN (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Dixie Yarns Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:DXYN) Thursday announced that it has obtained financing under a 10-year revolving credit and term loan arrangement totaling $225 million.

The financing is being provided to the company by Trust Company Bank, NCNB National Bank and Chemical Bank. Funds borrowed under the agreement will be used for financing the company's internal growth as well as for possible acquisitions.

Dixie's Chairman Daniel K. Frierson, said: ''The new credit agreement recognizes the company's strong financial position. This action gives us the added flexibility to pursue growth opportunities while continuing to strengthen our operating capabilities and expand product lines.''

Dixie's business consists of four product categories: specialty yarns, industrial sewing threads, knit fabrics, and carpet and rug yarns. The company manufactures and markets yarns and threads from a variety of natural and man-made fibers and also processes yarns into knit fabrics.

Its' products are used in the apparel, carpeting, domestics, drapery and upholstery, hosiery, industrial fabrics, transportation, and other industries. Dixie's common stock trades on the over-the-counter National Market System with the NASDAQ symbol DXYN.

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Morgan M. Schuessler, 615/698-2501

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WESTPORT, CT (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - MECA Software Inc. (NASDAQ:MECA)

Thursday announced that revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1990 were $2.3 million.

Revenues for the fiscal year ended Jume 30, 1990 were $19.6 million, a 78 percent increase over the $11 million for fiscal year 1989.

Fiscal 1990 results included revenues of $5.4 million generated during the first and second quarters from a one time joint marketing arrangement with IBM in which copies of Managing Your Money and TaxCut were included as part of the sale by IBM of certain PS/2 personal computers.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $120,000 or 3 cents per share. Prior to amortization of purchased intangibles, the company reported pre-tax income of $20,000 for this three month period. Fiscal 1990 net income of $1.06 million or 28 cents per share increased significantly over fiscal 1989 results of $468,000, or 13 cents per share.

MECA expensed $2.5 million and $1.1 million related to the amortization of purchased intangibles in fiscal 1990 and fiscal 1989 respectively. Less than $100,000 of purchased intangibles remain to be amortized during fiscal 1991.

MECA completed its initial public sale of common stock on July 19, 1990 raising approximately $8.8 million for the company after expenses. As of June 30, 1990 and prior to the receipt of the proceeds of the offering, the company's cash balance was $5 million.

MECA Software Inc. develops, publishes and markets a family of personal productivity software designed to assist individuals in managing personal or small business finances, preparing their income taxes and managing personal legal affairs.

MECA's products, which include Andrew Tobias' Managing Your Money, Andrew Tobias' TaxCut and Hyatt Legal Services Home Lawyer, are sold through independent distributors, software specialty chains and mail order products.

CONTACT: MECA Software Inc., Westport
Paul D. Harrison, 203/226-2400.

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MIAMI SPRINGS, FL (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - International Recovery Corp. (NYSE:INT) Thursday announced that it has entered into an agreement in principle for its newly formed International Petroleum Corp. of GA subsidiary to acquire privately-held Allied Fuels Inc. of Atlanta for $1.5

million in cash, including a non-compete agreement with the president of Allied.

The transaction is expected to close within the next seven days.

The transaction will allow IRC to expand its used oil recycling business to the Northeastern United States by immediately serving the Atlanta and Baltimore markets. The Company will also replicate its Florida recycling center and construct its second used oil re-refinery along the Northeastern corridor.

IRC is currently one of the leading used oil recycling companies in the U.S. and operates the only fully licensed used oil re-refinery in the Southeast.

''In this period of higher oil prices, it is essential to understand that each gallon of used oil that is recycled is one less gallon of oil that we must import,'' said Jerrold Blair, president of IRC.

In commenting on the recent decline in IRC's security, Blair pointed out that while aviation fuel prices have risen sharply as a result of the crisis in the Middle East, the Company does not sell any aviation fuel below its cost and that margins in its used oil recycling operation have increased significantly.

IRC is strongly positioned to provide integrated environmental services to public and private sector companies, and state and federal agencies in the Southeast, Mid-Atlantic and Northeast regions of the United States, and is positioned to replicate this integrated program.

The Company also holds a leading position in the marketing of aviation fuel to a worldwide niche market of non-major commercial operators of large aircraft.

CONTACT: International Recovery Corp., Miami Springs
Howard Goldman, 305/884-2001

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TULSA, OK (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Tulsa, Okla.-based ONEOK Inc. (NYSE:OKE) announced Thursday that it has settled another take-or-pay lawsuit out of court.

Agate Petroleum of Tulsa had filed the lawsuit two years ago in the District Court of Tulsa County for an unspecified amount.

The lawsuit involved a number of wells in Pittsburg County in Oklahoma.

Terms of the settlement were not disclosed.

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918/588-7000.

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PAWTUCKET, RI (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Hasbro Inc., Thursday announced the promotion of three of its senior executives.

Dan Owen, currently senior vice president of Playskool Sales, becomes president of Playskool; Norman Walker, currently president of European Operations, becomes president of the newly formed International Division; and E. David Wilson, currently senior vice president of sales, Milton Bradley, becomes president, Milton Bradley.

The appointments were announced jointly by Chief Operating Officers, Alfred J. Verrecchia and George R. Ditomassi. These changes are effective immediately.

Owen, president of Playskool, will have responsibility for all aspects of the day-to-day running of the company's Playskool toy division. He joined the company in 1974 as a sales representative and has held various positions including district manager, regional manager, and vice president of marketing services. He will report to Al Verrecchia, chief operating officer, Domestic Toy.

Walker, president, International, heads this newly formed division that combines his European group with the company's operations in South America and the Pacific Rim. Walker opened the Hasbro London office in 1983 when he joined the company as a managing director. He was most recently president of European Operations.

Wilson, president, Milton Bradley, will be responsible for the daily operation of the company's game division. He joined Milton Bradley in 1980 as vice president and manager in charge of marketing and sales. Prior to joining Milton Bradley, he held various marketing and sales positions at Parker Brothers and its parent company, General Mills. Both Walker and Wilson will report to George Ditomassi, chief operating officer, Games and International.

Other promotions include Robert F. S. Wann to executive vice president, marketing and R&D for Playskool; Dale R. Siswick to senior vice president, marketing; and Gary L. Bergmann to vice president, marketing, both for Milton Bradley.

Headquartered in Pawtucket, Hasbro Inc., is the world's leading toy company. With reported revenues of more than $1.4 billion at year-end 1989, the company's extensive product portfolio includes such well-known names as Milton Bradley games and puzzles, Playskool and Playskool Baby products, and G.I. Joe, My Little Pony, and World Wrestling Federation action toys. The company has operations in more than a dozen countries and markets its products worldwide.

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Wayne Charness, 401/727-5983.

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FARMINGDALE, N.Y. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - VTX Electronics Corp. (AMEX:VTX) Thursday announced that Michael Scanzano has been named president and chief operating officer and appointed to the board of directors.

Scanzano was previously executive vice president, and has been with the company in various capacities for the past 17 years.

The company further announced that Michael Gorin, who has been acting president for the past year, has been appointed vice chairman of the board and chief executive officer. Gorin is also president and chief operating officer of ARX Inc. (NYSE:ARX) which owns approximately 70% of VTX's outstanding common stock.

VTX designs, distributes and assembles a wide variety of electronic wire, cable and related products used primarily in the data communications networking marketplace.

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Maureen Murray, 516/752-2370

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GREENVILLE, SC (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Delta Woodside Industries Inc. (NYSE: DLW) announced Thursday that its board of directors declared a dividend of 7 1/2 cents per share and established the record date as Aug. 31, 1990.

Payment will be made on Sept. 6, 1990. The dividend was declared pursuant to the dividend policy which was adopted by the board of directors of the company's predecessor, Delta Woodside Industries Inc. (a Delaware corporation) on May 6, 1988, and amended on Aug.7, 1989.

Delta Woodside Industries Inc., headquartered in Greenville, manufactures and sells a wide variety of textile fabrics and apparel, and also is engaged in the retail distribution of office supplies and equipment. The company, which has approximately 7,800 employees in four states and Costa Rica, operates 33 plants and eight garment outlet stores and one office products distribution center with seven branches.

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Jane H. Greer, 803/232-8301.

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#90235b0798 08/23/1990 ~Business Wire

WESTBURY, N.Y. (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Dionics Inc., a special niche semiconductor/microelectronics manufacturer, Thursday reported a loss of $149,900, or 4 cents per share, on second quarter 1990 sales of $588,400. These results compare to a loss of $52,400 on sales of $759,300 for the second quarter of 1989.

''While sales order inputs have been generally slower in the past few quarters, the trend of increasing interest in our new products has been promising and Management is hopeful that it will shortly result in a resumption of significant order inputs,'' explained Bernard L. Kravitz, Dionics' president.

Meanwhile, immense additional strain has been placed on the company's already thin financial resources. Management continues to vigorously pursue all the means at its disposal to continue operations and return to self-sufficiency in the near future.

Dionics Inc.
Financial highlights
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$ 588,400	$ 759,300	$1,124,400	$1,325,000
(Loss) before income taxes	$(149,900)	$ (52,400)	$ (316,800)	$ (282,200)
Provision for income taxes	---	---	---	---
Net (loss)	$(149,900)	$ (52,400)	$ (316,800)	$ (282,200)
Net (loss) per share	$ (.04)	$ (.01)	$ (.09)	$ (08)
Average number of shares used in computation	3,333,678	3,333,578	3,333,678	3,333,578

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Keith Kravitz, 516/997-7474

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - S.E. Nichols Inc. (ASE:NCL) Thursday announced that, effective at the opening of trading today, Nichols' common shares, par value 10 cents per share, 14-7/8 percent first Senior Subordinated Debentures due 1999 and 15 percent Senior Subordinated Sinking Fund Debentures due 2000 were delisted from the American Stock Exchange Inc.

Nichols indicated, however, that it will continue to be a publicly-reporting company under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Nichols also reported that there is currently trading activity in its common shares, 14-7/8 percent Debentures and 15 percent Debentures in the over-the-counter markets but indicated that such securities are not quoted on the NASDAQ system.

Nichols currently operates 18 deep discount drug and general merchandise stores under the name Pharmhouse, and expects to reopen one more of its stores as a Pharmhouse store by the end of this month. It is currently operating as a debtor-in-possession under its bankruptcy proceedings pursuant to Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

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or
The Equity Group Inc., New York
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MIAMI (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Veteran Banker, Al Teti, has submitted his resignation to the AmeriFirst Bank board of directors effective Sept. 4.

The board hired Teti in June 1989 to take on the gigantic task of rebuilding a management team, running the 57-year old institution, and working with auditors, attorneys and regulators to determine the position of the Bank.

The single most important issue Teti had to deal with during his tenure was the continuing discovery of bad and problem commercial real estate loans made under former management. Although Teti made solid gains in improving the operations of the Bank, the measures were note enough to

rescue AmeriFirst from the consequences of problem real estate loans made by former management.

Because of the loan losses and the huge carrying costs associated with non-earning assets, the Bank's capital position continued to erode, leading to an August 1990 agreement with the Office of Thrift Supervision that imposes a variety of strict operating controls.

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or
Everett Clay Associates, Miami
Dana L. Clay, 305/261-6222

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#90235b0811 08/23/1990 ~Business Wire
MORRISTOWN, NJ (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Joseph Dasti, executive chairman of the board of directors of NMR of America Inc. announced Thursday that the board of directors had decided to extend up to 1,210,000 Common Stock Purchase Warrants, 1 cent per value, exercisable at $5.00 per share, presently scheduled to expire on Sept. 29 for an additional one hundred eighty (180) days commencing Sept. 1.

Dasti noted NMR had previously determined to offer an exchange instead of extending the Warrants but with this action has reversed its offer. ''We believe that because of the lack of response received by Warrant holders to the exchange offer and the potential value of Warrants that could be lost, that it will be more equitable to extend the Warrants for a short period of time,'' Dasti explained.

In addition, the board determined that for a period of sixty (60) days commencing Sept. 1 through Nov. 1, that the exercise price would be lowered to $4.50 per share. With respect to the company's pending exchange offer of twenty-five Common Stock Purchase Warrants for one share of Common Stock, which is due to expire Aug. 29, the company agreed to grant the Warrant holders' who have elected to exchange their Warrants pursuant to the exchange offer for shares to exchange said Warrants as proposed or to cancel their election and instead retain the Warrants as extended as set forth above.

Each Warrant holder shall be required to make an election of one of the proposals as to the disposition or retention of said Warrants. These proposals are mutually exclusive and the Warrant holder must elect one of the proposals and in no event will be permitted to participate in both proposals.

CONTACT: NMR of America Inc., Morristown

Joseph Dasti, 201/539-1082
by
Frohling & Hanley Attorneys at Law, Newark
John B.M. Frohling, 201/622-2800

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Two Count Holding Co. reported $406,666, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $12.24 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $392,312, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $15.44 million for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pioneer American Holding Co. (TICKER: PAHC) earned $536,000, or $0.78 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $391,000, or $0.57 per share, for the same

period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows CP Overseas (TICKER: CPOX) reported $56,180, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $142,971 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $117,784, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $188,240 for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Fox Technology Inc.(TICKER: FOXT) lost $131,142, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $839,811 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $115,314 (including a gain of $104,796 from discontinued operations), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.65 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0007 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Investors Savings Corp.(TICKER: INVS) earned $613,701, or $0.26 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $384,820, or $0.17 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0008 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The W.W. Williams Co.(TICKER: WWWM) earned $487,000, or $0.50 per share, on revenues of $19.93 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $535,000, or $0.53 per share, on revenues of $18.95 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0009 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Macrochem Inc.(TICKER: MCHM) reported a net loss of $318,170, or $0.06 per

share, on revenues of $48,927 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $418,035, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $85,619 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0010 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Refac Technology Development(TICKER: REFC) reported a second quarter loss of $314,040, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $1.71 million for the period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $993,375, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $3.12 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0011 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Investors Trust (TICKER: ITIN) reported a loss of $159,183, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $9.06 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $201,898, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $5.21 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0012 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Universal Guaranty Investment Co.(TICKER: UGCO) reported a net loss of $400,945, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $8.69 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $42,199, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $4.66 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0014 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United Bankshares (TICKER: UBSI) earned $3.01 million, or $0.38 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $2.90 million, or $0.38 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0015 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Bank of Philadelphia(TICKER: FBKP) earned $134,000, or $0.17 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $200,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $68,000), or $0.26 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 481
#90235c0016 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Metallurgical Industries Inc. (TICKER: MTAL) lost $39,417, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.79 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $80,481, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $837,785 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 494
#90235c0017 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows One Valley Bancorp of West Virginia (TICKER: OVWV) earned $4.77 million, or $0.79 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $3.78 million, or $0.62 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 470
#90235c0018 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Las Vegas Discount Golf and Tennis Inc.(TICKER: LVDG) earned $17,000 (including a loss of $15,000 from discontinued operations), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.18 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $192,000 (including a loss of $30,000 from discontinued operations), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.21 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 645
#90235c0019 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Midland Corp.(TICKER: AMCO) lost $716,000, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $124,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $601,000, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $86,000 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0020 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:32 that trade in Ambase Corp. (NASDAQ: ABC) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

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#90235c0022 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Metatec Corp. earned $358,987, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $645,301 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $112,038, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $276,756 for the same period in 1989.

Metatec Corp.'s executive office is located at 7001 Discovery Blvd., Dublin, Ohio 43017 and its telephone number is (614) 761-2000.

-30- 573

#90235c0023 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Garnet Resources Corp.(TICKER: GARN) lost $15,845, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $541,384 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $221,930, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $372,573 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 470

#90235c0024 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Graycor Laser Systems Inc. lost $174,269, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $33,461 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $25,506, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $122,427 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 476

#90235c0025 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Trans-Atlantic Video Inc.(TICKER: TAVD) lost $367,058, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.10 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $12,246, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.69 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0026 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Statesman Group Inc.(TICKER: STTG) lost $3.20 million (including a loss of $5.82 million from discontinued operations), or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $63.76 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.47 million ($1.13 million loss from discontinued operations), or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $55.10 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 609

#90235c0027 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Victoria Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: VICT) earned $754,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 vs. losing $1.20 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 359

#90235c0028 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Electromagnetic Sciences Inc.(TICKER: ELMG) earned $164,975, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $16.98 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $365,766, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $12.81 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0030 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Abilene Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: FABB) earned $1.84 million, or $0.82 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.56 million, or $0.67 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0031 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lee Wilson Engineering Co. Inc. lost $56,300, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $848,100 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $217,300, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $3.16 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 466

#90235c0032 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Intek Diversified Corp.(TICKER: IDCC) lost $135,965, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $2.01 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $319,799, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $3.11 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 477

#90235c0033 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pilgrim Intergroup Investment Corp. lost $92,242, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $2.70 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $139,620, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $6.59 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 484

#90235c0034 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Video Communications and Radio Inc.(TICKER: VCRI) earned $205,845 (including an extraordinary gain of $70,000), or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $747,737 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $67,304, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $678,054 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 537

#90235c0035 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Profit Technology Inc.(TICKER: PRTE) lost $2.74 million, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $3.16 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.84 million, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $1.73 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 486
#90235c0036 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Ambase Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ABC. Trading was resumed at 9:51.

-30- 335
#90235c0038 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Medmaster Systems Inc.(TICKER: MMST) lost $143,205, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.10 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $154,473, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.46 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 487
#90235c0039 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows New Horizons Savings and Loan Association(TICKER: NHSL) earned $748,143, or $0.41 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $572,158, or $0.31 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 461
#90235c0040 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Investment Technologies Inc.(TICKER: IVES) lost $186,385, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $38,870 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $231,779, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $45,229 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 477
#90235c0041 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Sonesta International Hotels Corp.(TICKER: SNST) earned $579,000, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $17.63 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $284,000, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $15.71 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 509
#90235c0042 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Citizens Savings Bank, FSB,(TICKER: CSBF) earned $940,000, or $0.41 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $699,000, or $0.30 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 445
#90235c0043 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Biosonics Inc.(TICKER: BIOS) lost $220,927, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $23,967 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $229,046, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $128,676 for the same period in 1989.

Biosonics Inc. reports that its decrease in sales from the same period in 1989 resulted from a change in marketing strategy of one of its medical devices, the SALITRON SYSTEM.

-30- 656
#90235c0044 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Adage Inc.(TICKER: ADGE) earned $325,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $21.74 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $578,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $20.73 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 455
#90235c0046 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Quadrax Inc.(TICKER: QDRX) lost $1.56 million, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $341,810 for the quarter ended July 1, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $905,270, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $167,274 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 456
#90235c0047 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Dyncorp.(TICKER: DYNP) lost $2.56 million, or $0.85 per share, on revenues of $182.81 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $2.49 million, or $0.94 per share, on revenues of $155.09 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 488

#90235c0048 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:45 that trade in Orbit Instrument Corp.(NASDAQ: ORBT) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 3/8. The company is located in Hauppauge, NY.

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#90235c0049 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Centrevest Corp.(TICKER: CTVS) lost $113,054, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $429,230 for the six-month perod ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $414,813, or $0.27 per share, on revenues of $612,415 for the same period in 1989.

Centrevest Corp.'s executive office is located at 24681 Northwestern Highway, Suite 228, Southfield, MI 48075 and its telephone number is (313) 352-0380.

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#90235c0050 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 8, 1990, Penta Systems International Inc.(TICKER: PSLI) engaged Arthur Andersen & Co. as its independent accountants, replacing Coopers & Lybrand.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

-30- 643

#90235c0051 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 3, 1990, FirsTier Financial Inc.(TICKER: FTST) announced the resumption of its stock repurchase program.

The stock buy back plan was suspended temporarily in early June because of

FirsTier's filing of an S-3 registration statement with the SEC, which has now become effective.

At the time of the suspension, FirsTier had repurchased 25,000 shares of a planned 100,000 share buy back.

Of the remaining 75,000 shares authorized for repuchase, the actual number of shares to be purchased will depend upon the price and prevailing market conditions.

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#90235c0052 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United Federal Savings Bank (formerly United Federal S&L ASSN. of Rocky Mount(TICKER: UFRM) earned $149,225, or $0.05 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $156,724, or $0.05 per share, for the same period in 1989.

United Federal's executive office is located at 116 S. Franklin St., P.O. Box 1120, Rocky Mount, NC 27802-1120. United Federal Savings Bank 's telephone number is (919) 446-9191.

-30- 674

#90235c0054 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Navigators Group Inc.(TICKER: NAVG) earned $2.46 million, or $0.71 per share, on revenues of $13.63 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.99 million, or $0.86 per share, on revenues of $13.29 million for the same period in 1989.

Navigators Group Inc.'s executive office is located at 123 William Street, New York, NY 10038 and its telephone number is (212) 406-2900.

-30- 653

#90235c0055 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows in June 1990, Sphinx Mining Inc.(TICKER: APNX) appointed Cook and Haugeberg as its independent certified public accountants, replacing the firm of Taylor, Carroll and Frye.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former

accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 883

#90235c0056 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Sphinx Mining Inc.(TICKER: SPNX) earned $1,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $347,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $571,000, or $0.50 per share, on revenues of $478,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 464

#90235c0057 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 27, 1990, Technology Development Corp.(TICKER: TDCX) acquired all of the common stock of Kaizen Corp. dba Computerland of the Metroplex.

Holders of Kaizen common stock received $235,000 in cash and a contingent payment based upon the future performance of Cupeterland of the Metroplex over the next five years.

Computerland of the Metroplex is a franchise of Computerland Corp.,(TICKER: CLD) and is a reseller of microcomputer systems and communications, including support services after installation.

-30- 726

#90235c0058 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 8, 1990, Toreador Royalty Corp.(TICKER: TRGL) consummated its acquisition from Clear Fork Inc. of an undivided 50 percent interest in certain oil and gas leases located in west Texas.

The aggregate purchase price of the interests was $530,205.

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#90235c0059 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 30, 1990, Blinder Robinson & Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of

Intercontinental Enterprises Inc.,(TICKER: ENTI) filed for Chapter 11 protection under U.S. bankruptcy laws.

On July 31, 1990, certain regulatory agencies of the U.S. government successfully sought to convert the Chapter 11 filing into a Chapter 7 proceeding.

As a result, all assets of Blinder Robinson & Co. came under the control and authority of the Securities Investors Protection Corporation trustee.

All such assets and debts are subject to the trustee for appropriate distribution at a time yet to be determined by the trustee.

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#90235c0060 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 2,768,400 SHARES (9.45%) OF NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP (TICKER: NSCO) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 12 to Aug. 14, FMR Corp. sold 179,000 shares for $9.87 to $13 per share, and purchased 583,000 shares for $9.88 to $14.75 per shares.

-30- 473
#90235c0062 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 2,068,839 SHARES (10.58%) OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC (TICKER: MEDC) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90235c0063 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 2,068,839 SHARES (10.58%) OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC (TICKER: MEDC) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 7 to 15, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 19,500 shares at a price of $32.88 to $37.38 per share and sold 25,100 shares at a price of $32 to $35.81 per share.

-30- 494
#90235c0064 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OWNS 384,900 SHARES (13.43%) OF REPUBLIC AUTOMOTIVE PARTS INC (TICKER: RAUT) OF BRENTWOOD, TN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 6, 1990 and Aug. 20, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. sold 31,000 share at a price of $4.14 to $5.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90235c0065 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY BRT REALTY TR OF GREAT NECK, NY OWNS 321,473 SHARES (23.15%) OF BFS BANKORP INC (TICKER: BFSI) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 14 and 20, 1990, BRT Reality TR purchased 179,973 shares at a price of $7.85 to $13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 495
#90235c0066 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 23) COMTEX - Paine Webber Retail Property Investments Inc., a New York investment partnership, has acquired the East Pointe Plaza shopping center in Columbia, S.C., from Dayton & Associates for $13.9 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 22, 1990

-30- 525
#90235c0067 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 23) COMTEX - William Brattain and his Lake Park, Fla. -based Brattain and Associates has proposed the acquisition of Yellow Gold of Cripple Creek (TICKER: HGCC) Inc., a Victor, Colo., gold-mining company, for $2.2 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 22, 1990

-30- 538
#90235c0068 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Healthtek Inc.(TICKER: HLTK) lost $95,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.77 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $276,000, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $1.76 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 459
#90235c0070 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Black Industries Inc.(TICKER: BLAK) earned $394,241, or $0.47 per share, on revenues of $3.33 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $352,724, or $0.43 per share, on revenues of $3.54 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 478
#90235c0071 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Overmyer Corp.(TICKER: OMCO) lost $456,078, or $0.51 per share, on revenues of $8.55 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $331,198 (including an extraordinary gain of $125,000), or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $10.40 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0072 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Canaveral International Corp.(TICKER: CANI) reported a net loss of $128,666, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $64,607 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $132,651, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $76,532 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0073 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Marina Limited Partnership(TICKER: MRNC) earned $291,473, or $0.43 per share, on revenues of $669,220 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $251,924, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $639,420 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0074 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Fiberchem Inc.(TICKER: FOCS) lost $439,132 or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $40,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $310,550, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $55,202 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0075 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hawks Industries Inc.(TICKER: HAWK) earned $278,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.26 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $87,000, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $1.21 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 473

#90235c0076 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Financial Security Corp. earned $1.50 million, or $0.30 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $1.47 million, or $0.29 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0078 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows CVD Equipment Corp.(TICKER: CVDE) earned $7,260, at an unknown price per share on revenues of $1.13 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $14,703, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $846,787 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0079 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Brilund Ltd.(TICKER: BRIL) lost $264,519, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $13,238 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $171,078, or $0.03 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

Brilund's subsidiary holds a concession giving it the exclusive right to explore for oil and gas and to prospect for minerals, in a defined area within Namibia for a period of seven years from June 19, 1989.

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#90235c0080 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows GHS Inc.(TICKER: GHSI) earned $11,784, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $360,887 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $69,432, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $381,138 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0081 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Niagara Exchange Corp.(TICKER: NIEX) lost $450,000, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $8.69 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $175,000, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $10.91 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0082 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Entourage International Inc.(TICKER: ENTG) lost $170,447, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $640,484 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $325,969 (including an extraordinary gain of $110,000), or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $1.58 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0083 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mobile America Corp.(TICKER: MAME) earned $101,228, or $0.70 per share, on revenues of $6.91 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $551,165, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $4.69 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0084 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Nobel Insurance Ltd.(TICKER: NOBLF) earned $1.17 million, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $8.41 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $6.03 million, or $1.14 per share, on revenues of $10.62 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0086 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Willard Pease Oil and Gas Co.(TICKER: WPOG) lost $31,049, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $94,788 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2,125, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $136,092 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0087 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows General Parcel Service Inc.(TICKER: GPSX) lost $468,251, or $0.31 per share, on revenues of $1.89 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $311,465, or $0.51 per share, on revenues of $1.19 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0088 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Palfed Inc.(TICKER: PALM) lost $1.67 million, or $1.25 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $306,000, or $0.23 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0089 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Locker Group Inc.(TICKER: ALGI) earned $105,965, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $3.17 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $204,554 (including a loss of $295,852 from discontinued operations), or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $2.54 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0090 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Opus Computer Products Inc. lost $379,466, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $1.06 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of 327,323, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $2.72 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0091 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Carolina First Corp.(TICKER: CAFC) earned $304,888, or $0.18 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $253,925, or $0.15 per share, for the same period in 1989.

The executive office of Carolina First is located at 102 Main Street, Greenville, SC 29601 and its telephone number is (803) 266-7900.

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#90235c0092 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY J.M. DAVIS OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 3,431,966 SHARES (19.50%) OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC (TICKER: IPIC) OF LEXINGTON, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Each unit consists of three shares of common stock and three redeemable class A warrants. The class A warrant are immediately exercisable and separately transferrable from the common stock, and each class A warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock and one redeemable class B warrant at any time through March 7, 1995. Each class B warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock through March 7, 1995.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 20, 1990 through Aug. 3, 1990, J.M. Davis purchased 523,050 shares at a price of $1.60 to $2.75 per share; 32,350 class A warrants at a price of $.94 to $1 per warrant; and 18,900 Units at a price of $8.75 to $10.75 per unit.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

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#90235c0094 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CWI(TICKER: CAW) has filed a supplement to the offer extending its offer

until Sept. 7, 1990.

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#90235c0096 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 20, 1990, the counsel on behalf of the parties in four separate class actions entered into a memorandum of understanding providing for the settlement of the action that provides, among other things, for an additional payment of $.25 per share under the previous $22 per share offer, but does not provide for the dismissal or settlement of the petition. On Aug. 21, 1990, the board of Caesars New Jersey Inc. (TICKER: CJN) met and approved the settlement.

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#90235c0097 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 29

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an Aug. 22, 1990 settlement agreement, all litigation between Centaur Partners IV and National Intergroup Inc.(TICKER: NII) will be dismissed, Butler and Robert L. King have been appointed to the board of NII, the size of the board will be increased prior to NII's 1991 annual meeting and the annual meeting will be postponed to a date later than July 17, 1991. Centaur has agreed not to engage in proxy solicitations prior to July 1, 1991 relating to the make up or size of the board or the annual meeting, NII has agreed to pay Centaur $4.2 million as partial reimbursement for expenses and Howard Love will remain as CEO until Mar. 31, 1991.

PURPOSE:

Settlement agreement.

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#90235c0098 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATES OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 740,000 SHARES (11.50%) OF SEVEN OAKS INTL INC (TICKER: QPON) OF MEMPHIS, TN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Cumberland Associates sold 75,000 shares on Aug. 21, 1990 for $3.13 per share.

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#90235c0100 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Community Bancorp(TICKER: FRFD) earned $1.81 million, or $0.45 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $1.56 million, or $0.40 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0101 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Golden Corral Realty Corp.(TICKER: GCRA) earned $367,877, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $488,987 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $348,164, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $471,015 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0102 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Memtek Corp.(TICKER: METK) lost $31,948, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.41 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $86,147, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.80 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0104 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows AFN Inc.(TICKER: AMFN) earned $67,465, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.04 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $379,955, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $906,124 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0105 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Flexwatt Corp.(TICKER: FWAT) earned $102,753, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $795,227 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $119,204, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $464,136 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0106 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Financial Carribbean Corp.(TICKER: FRCC) earned $650,000, or $0.26 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.65 million, or $0.70 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0107 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Penta Systems International(TICKER: PSLI) lost $309,214, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $2.28 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $366,054, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $4.45 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0108 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Bunting Inc.(TICKER: BUNT) lost $156,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $1.31 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $327,000, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $1.63 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0109 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Nuvision Inc.(TICKER: NUVI) reported a loss of $286,000, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $15.09 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $228,000, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $14.78 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0110 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows North Carolina Railroad Co. earned $59,536, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $181,290 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $32,607, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $170,475 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0112 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 16:04 that trade in orbit Instrument Corp. (NASDAQ: ORBT) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 5/8; up 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90235c0113 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - M. STEPHAN OF 2540 N GALLOWAY, SUITE 101, MESQUITE, TX 75150, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SPECTRUM CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(SPECTRUM CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS TEL: 214 630-9825)

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#90235c0114 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - M.J. WINFREY OF P O BOX 1715, 800 OVERHILL, DODGE CITY, KS 67801, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,500 SHARES OF W-W CAPITAL CORP. THROUGH H.T. FLETCHER SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(W-W CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 316 225-5722)

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#90235c0115 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J. CARTER OF 2702 SUNRISE, 0, ARLINGTON, TX 76006, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF QUASAR-TECH INC. THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(QUASAR-TECH INC. TEL: 817 261-5353)

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#90235c0116 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. HOLMBERG OF 9008 BLOSSOM LANE, LOUISVILLE, KY 40299, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF SKOLNIKS INC. (TICKER: SKNS) THROUGH PAULSON INVESTMENT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(SKOLNIKS INC. TEL: 502 267-7667)

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#90235c0117 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L. SHER OF 32 GLENN, IRVINE, CA 92720, HAS FILED TO SELL 66,660 SHARES OF WASTE CONVERSION SYSTEMS INC. THROUGH WEDBUSH MORGAN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(WASTE CONVERSION SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 303 790-8300)

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#90235c0118 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Liberty Homes Inc.(TICKER: LIBH) lost $549,000, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $14.65 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $271,000, or $0.06 per share, on

revenues of $13.84 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0120 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United Oklahoma Bankshares Inc. earned $65,000, but lost $0.01 per share after preferred dividend requirements, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $287,000, or $0.15 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0121 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - C. LARSEN OF 8550 ARLINGTON BLVD #205, FAIRFAX, VA 22031, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF PIRANHA INTL INC. THROUGH RICHFIELD SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 21, 1990.

(PIRANHA INTL INC. TEL: 703 698-5560)

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#90235c0122 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - P. BUDIN OF 530 EAST 76TH STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DIVERSIFIED INVESTORS CORP. THROUGH S.B. CANTOR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(DIVERSIFIED INVESTORS CORP. TEL: 212 509-5000)

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#90235c0123 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Home Federal Savings Bank of Missouri(TICKER: HFMD) earned $418,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $677,000 for the same period in 1989.

Earning per share is not available because Home Federal did not convert to stock ownership until May 2, 1990.

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#90235c0124 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.C. EBY OF 1057 ST MARYS LANE, SANTA BARBARA, CA 93111, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,378 SHARES OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS CORP. THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(DIGITAL SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 805 566-2000)

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#90235c0125 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Fortune National (TICKER: FRNC) earned $16,466, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $3.55 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $499,283, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $4.07 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0126 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.R. STETTLER OF 890 WOOD STREET, OGDEN, UT 84400, HAS FILED TO SELL 154,000 SHARES OF SILVER EXPLORATION INC.(TICKER: SILE) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(SILVER EXPLORATION INC. TEL: 801 621-4100)

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#90235c0128 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hosposable Products (TICKER: HOSP) earned $205,872, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $4.76 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $175,743, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $4.26 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0129 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Alliance Health Inc. reported a net loss of $55,317, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $27,613 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $402,000, at an unknown price per share,

on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0130 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Cryotech Industries (TICKER: CRYO) lost $140,932, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $607,798 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $306,935, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $367,402 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0131 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Evergreen Resources (TICKER: EVER) lost $69,772, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $761,768 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $150,159, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $754,241 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0132 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Community National Bancorp (TICKER: CNB) earned $51,000, or $0.02 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.01 million, or $0.37 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0133 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows John Adams Life Corp.(TICKER: JALC) lost $41,467, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.07 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $106,922, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.26 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0134 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Nova Natural Resources (TICKER: NOVA) earned $31,773, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $165,250 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $11,877, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $202,468 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0136 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Telephone Specialists (TICKER: TESP) lost $65,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.12 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $4,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $609,000 for the same period in 1989.

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#90235c0137 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - HARWOOD SHEPARD OF P O BOX 42346, PHOENIX, AZ 85080, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

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#90235c0138 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ARTZI AMATZIA BEN OF 501 E MIDDLEFIELD RD, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,348 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

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#90235c0139 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ROGER C FERGUSON OF 333 BUSH ST #4103, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(NETWORK GENERAL CORP. TEL: 415 688-2700)

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#90235c0140 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHESTER P SCHWARTZ OF 4505 S YOSEMITE #348, DENVER, CO 80237, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

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#90235c0141 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALD M KIRKE OF 400 LOCUST ST, SUITE 800, DES MOINES, IA 50398, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,000 SHARES OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(IOWA RESOURCES INC. TEL: 515 281-2900)

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#90235c0142 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL P DE ANGELO OF 5325 EAST HUNTER AVE, ANAHEIM, CA 92807, HAS FILED TO SELL 407,000 SHARES OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(THE CLOTHESTIME INC. TEL: 714 779-5881)

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#90235c0144 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID L HIGGINS OF 2640 GLENNEYRE DR, LAGNUNA BCH, CA 92651, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF DVI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVIC) THROUGH STRATTON OAKMONT INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(DVI FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 714 474-5800)

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#90235c0145 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM M REGAN OF 605 BROOKSIDE, DALLAS, TX 75214, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

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#90235c0146 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - REHWALD JOHN J TRUST OF 3366 N TORREY PINES CT STE 220, LA JOLLA, CA 92037, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF SGI INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SGII) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(SGI INTERNATIONAL TEL: 619 452-0841)

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#90235c0147 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAN JOHANNESSEN OF 13644 SW TWIN CREEKS LANE, LAKE OSWEGO, OR 97035, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. TEL: 503 681-0188)

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#90235c0148 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S THOMAS EMERSON OF 334 WEST MOON VALLEY DR, PHOENIX, AZ 85023, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

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#90235c0149 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN M KLINE OF 4208 GLENWOOD, FORT WORTH, TX 76109, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,499 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

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#90235c0150 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAURICE LATHOWERS JR OF 6271 MONITA ST, LONGBEACH, CA 90803, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DVI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVIC) THROUGH STRATTON OAKMONT INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(DVI FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 714 474-5800)

-30- 420
#90235c0152 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE S COULTER OF 4652 ORTEGA BLVD, JACKSONVILLE, FL 32210, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(KOGER PROPERTIES INC. TEL: 904 396-4811)

-30- 428
#90235c0153 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEVINE PAUL D EST OF 718 ARCH STREET, SUITE 2N, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF DIMENSIONAL VISIONS GROUP LTD. (TICKER: DVGL) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(DIMENSIONAL VISIONS GROUP LTD. TEL: 215 440-7816)

-30- 471
#90235c0154 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H JACK BAKER OF 1740 WEST MICHIGAN ST, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46222, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF NOBLE ROMAN'S INC. (TICKER: NROM) THROUGH

TRAUB & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(NOBLE ROMAN'S INC. TEL: 317 634-3377)

-30- 414
#90235c0155 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAROL REID OF 1730 FOX DRIVE, SAN JOSE, CA 95131, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 408 331-2200)

-30- 437
#90235c0156 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES FREDERICK OF 1110 SOUTH FIRST CHESTNUT, LUFKIN, TX 75901, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,444 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 403
#90235c0157 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARY F CAMPBELL OF 464 HUDSON TERRACE, ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ 07632, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,604 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH JONES GABLE & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 201 569-4141)

-30- 412
#90235c0158 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN R MASTANDREA OF 2909 OREGON CT, SUITE B1, TORRANCE, CA 90503, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF NDE ENVIRONMENTAL CORP. (TICKER: NDEC) THROUGH ROSENKRANTZ LYON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(NDE ENVIRONMENTAL CORP. TEL: 213 212-5244)

-30- 440
#90235c0160 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL L DOWLING OF 236 SAN CARLOS AVE, SAUSALITO, CA 94965, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,325 SHARES OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 415 882-2300)

-30- 441
#90235c0161 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR F MICHAELIS OF 3 ST ANTHONY LANE, CHESTER SPRINGS, PA 19425, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES IN (TICKER: AMA) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES IN TEL: 415 291-8801)

-30- 474
#90235c0162 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILIP H TALBERT II OF 13590 SW TARLETON CT, TIGARD, OR 97224, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PSIX) THROUGH EMPIRE SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 503 624-8577)

-30- 439
#90235c0163 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C MICHAEL WILLIAMS OF 501 WEST INTERSTATE 44, SUITE 500, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73118, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,561 SHARES OF USA WASTE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: USAS) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(USA WASTE SERVICES INC. TEL: 405 360-6612)

-30- 444
#90235c0164 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVESTMENTS AGS OF 289 LEZAK ROAD, P O BOX 518, SEALY, TX 77474, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,315 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH JONES GABLE & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 409 885-4158)

-30- 403
#90235c0165 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KATHERYN M MOSCRIP OF P O BOX 170, CRESTED BUTTE, CO 81224, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,460 SHARES OF FIBERCHEM INC. (TICKER: FOCS) THROUGH PRIVATE INVESTORS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(FIBERCHEM INC. TEL: 702 361-9873)

-30- 404
#90235c0166 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GAGNE ROBERT H TRUST OF 5320 HIGHWAY 98 S, P O BOX 338, HIGHLAND CITY, FL 33846, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF CARIBBEAN SELECT INC. (TICKER: CSEL) THROUGH SWARTWOOD, HESSE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CARIBBEAN SELECT INC. TEL: 813 648-0000)

-30- 458
#90235c0168 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELIZABETH C HARRIS OF 111 EAST 85TH STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10028, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,696 SHARES OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. TEL: 212 307-4380)

-30- 443
#90235c0169 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICROCOMPUTER INNOVATIONS INC OF 19 PONT STREET, GREAT NECK, NY 11021, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,000 SHARES OF NOISE CANCELLATION TECHNOLOGIES (TICKER: NCTI) THROUGH DONALD & CO SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(NOISE CANCELLATION TECHNOLOGIES TEL: 301 381-0500)

-30- 490
#90235c0170 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FLETCHER MARTIN W TTEE OF 724 ELLSWORTH PL, PALO ALTO, CA 94306, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 408 331-2200)

-30- 469
#90235c0171 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT G TODD JR OF 10350 W LOYOLA DR, LOS ALTOS, CA 94022, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF FLEXTRONICS INC. (TICKER: FLEX) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(FLEXTRONICS INC. TEL: 415 794-3539)

-30- 408
#90235c0172 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE R SMITH OF 943 OWLSWOOD LANE, TIBURON, CA 94920, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,000 SHARES OF ARDEN INTERNATIONAL KITCHENS INC (TICKER: AIKI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(ARDEN INTERNATIONAL KITCHENS INC TEL: 612 469-2000)

-30- 453

#90235c0173 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M DEAN GILLIAM OF 15367 CRESTVIEW CT, POWAY, CA 92064, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF DH TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: DHTK) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(DH TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 619 451-3485)

-30- 411
#90235c0174 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL S BLACHOWICZ OF 4202 N RIVERSHORE, NEW BERN, NC 28560, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF COMPTRONIX CORP. (TICKER: CMPX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(COMPTRONIX CORP. TEL: 205 582-1800)

-30- 419
#90235c0176 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R RICHARD BASTIAN III OF 531 CALVIN PARK BLVD, ROCKFORD, IL 61107, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRFD) THROUGH BLUNT ELLIS & LOEWI. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. TEL: 815 962-3771)

-30- 454
#90235c0177 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUCE M EISEN OF 87 CAMBRIDGE PARK DR, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02140, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. TEL: 617 876-1170)

-30- 430
#90235c0178 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL G HOLMAN OF 14014 SOUTH 36TH PLACE, 0, PHEONIX, AZ 85044, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF BIOPLASTY INC. (TICKER: BIOP) THROUGH JOHN G KINNARD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(BIOPLASTY INC. TEL: 612 636-4112)

-30- 408
#90235c0179 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANGE HAMPTON OF 150 WEST RINCON AVE #D, CAMPBELL, CA 95008, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 408 331-2200)

-30- 445
#90235c0180 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES E BEHR OF 802 NORTH FORT HARRISON, CLEARWATER, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,999 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH RANDELL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 403
#90235c0181 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DIL GUJRAL OF 2201 PARK TOWNE CIRCLE, SACRAMENTO, CA 95825, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF SUPERMAIL INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: SPML) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(SUPERMAIL INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 916 483-1131)

-30- 431
#90235c0182 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID M WEEKLEY OF 819 COUNTRY LANE, 0, HOUSTON, TX 77024, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,182 SHARES OF FALCON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: FLOG) THROUGH

LOVETT UNDERWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(FALCON OIL & GAS CO. TEL: 915 367-4126)

-30- 421
#90235c0184 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TARGON FAMILY TRUST OF 9261 FOLSOM BLVD, BLDG #300, SACRAMENTO, CA 95826, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 483
#90235c0185 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE E GOLUB OF 31 WEST 52ND STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10019, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT) THROUGH BHC SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. TEL: 212 969-7828)

-30- 443
#90235c0186 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHRISTOPHER O LYONS OF 243 EAST 77TH ST, 0, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,220 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 464
#90235c0187 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW W MILLER OF 210 BURLINGTON PLACE, NASHVILLE, TN 37205, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF) THROUGH EQUITABLE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 21 1990.

(SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. TEL: 615 385-3541)

-30- 448
#90235c0188 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT W SALTMARSH OF 154 BAKER STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94117, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,484 SHARES OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(APPLE COMPUTER INC. TEL: 408 996-1010)

-30- 428
#90235c0189 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - IRWIN ROTH OF 135 EAST 36TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10016, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(NETWORK GENERAL CORP. TEL: 415 965-1800)

-30- 415
#90235c0190 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN A GILMARTIN OF 308 COMMONWEALTH AVE, BOSTON, MA 02115, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF MILLIPORE CORP. (TICKER: MIL) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(MILLIPORE CORP. TEL: 617 275-9200)

-30- 411
#90235c0192 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAURICE LAFLAMME OF 49 BAYVIEW DR N, JAMESTOWN, RI 02835, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH TRI-BRADLEY INVSTMNTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 429
#90235c0193 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES CRANE OF 39 WASHINGTON ST, APT #5, CONCORD, NH 03301, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,333 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 422
#90235c0194 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C H MURPHY JR OF 200 N JEFFERSON, SUITE 400, EL DORADO, AR 71730, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MURPHY OIL CORP. (TICKER: MUR) THROUGH MORGAN KEEGAN & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(MURPHY OIL CORP. TEL: 501 862-6411)

-30- 413
#90235c0195 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR R KYDD OF 2224 EUSTIS STREET, ST PAUL, MN 55113, HAS FILED TO SELL 83,118 SHARES OF IN HOME HEALTH INC. (TICKER: IHHI) THROUGH CRAIG-HALLUM INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(IN HOME HEALTH INC. TEL: 612 545-0102)

-30- 411
#90235c0196 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS R DIBENEDETTO OF 484 VILLA NOVA PT, LONGWOOD, FL 32799, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF EXCALIBUR TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: EXCA) THROUGH C RICHARD CARLSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(EXCALIBUR TECHNOLOGIES CORP. TEL: 505 764-0081)

-30- 453
#90235c0197 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E LEBOSSE OF 2300 FOUNTAIN VIEW #14, 0, HOUSTON, TX 77057, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DOCTORS REHABILITATION CORP. OF (TICKER: DRRC) THROUGH MALONE & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 21, 1990.

(DOCTORS REHABILITATION CORP. OF TEL: 713 439-7511)

-30- 457
#90235c0198 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM V WEITHAS OF 1 DAG HAMMARSKJOLD PLAZA, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 21, 1990.

(THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. TEL: 212 399-8000)

-30- 449
#90235c0200 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BOLLINGER OFFSHORE BOATS INC OF P O BOX 250, LOCKPORT, LA 70374, HAS FILED TO SELL 56,000 SHARES OF TIDEWATER INC. (TICKER: TDW) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(TIDEWATER INC. TEL: 504 568-1010)

-30- 416
#90235c0201 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OCONNOR HEALTH SERVICES CORP OF 2105 FORREST AVE, SAN JOSE, CA 95128 HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF NMR OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: NMRR) THROUGH SEABOARD PLANNING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(NMR OF AMERICA INC. TEL: 201 539-1082)

-30- 432
#90235c0202 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARLENE SMOLEV OF 5855 S W 97TH ST, MIAMI, FL 33156, HAS FILED TO SELL 49,750 SHARES OF AMERICAN BUSINESS COMPUTERS CORP (TICKER: ABCC) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(AMERICAN BUSINESS COMPUTERS CORP TEL: 800 321-0969)

-30- 449
#90235c0203 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANGELO J BRUNO OF 300 RESEARCH PKWY, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35211, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF BRUNO'S INC. (TICKER: BRNO) THROUGH C J LAWRENCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(BRUNO'S INC. TEL: 205 940-9400)

-30- 391
#90235c0204 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK BEDDOR JR OF 4400 GULF SHORE BLVD N, ARDISSONE #602, NAPLES, FL 33940, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF BANTA CORP. (TICKER: BNTA) THROUGH WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(BANTA CORP. TEL: 414 722-7777)

-30- 410
#90235c0205 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERTS JOHN T TRUST OF 3040 POST OAK BLVD, HOUSTON, TX 77056, HAS FILED TO SELL 43,750 SHARES OF PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PRDE) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES INC. TEL: 713 871-8567)

-30- 447
#90235c0206 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM E DARK OF 258 ATLANTA PARK, CONROE, TX 77302, HAS FILED TO

SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SWIFT ENERGY CO. (TICKER: SFY) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 21, 1990.

(SWIFT ENERGY CO. TEL: 713 874-2700)

-30- 398
#90235c0208 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - YEHUDA BEN-ARIEH OF 330 N DEERE PARK DR E, HIGHLAND, IL 60035, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DVI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVIC) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 13, 1990.

(DVI FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 714 474-5800)

-30- 420
#90235c0209 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE BRISCOE OF 647 ATLANTIC HILLS AVE, EAGAN, MN 55123, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF GRIST MILL CO. (TICKER: GRST) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(GRIST MILL CO. TEL: 612 469-4981)

-30- 400
#90235c0210 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT V BARRY OF 7204 WEST 84TH WAY, 0, ARVADA, CO 80003, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,716 SHARES OF CORAL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COCI) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CORAL COMPANIES INC. TEL: 303 820-3000)

-30- 420
#90235c0211 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DIANE FRIEDMAN OF 100 EAST 42ND STREET, 15TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DRUG) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 457
#90235c0212 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT S SMITH OF 1579 STRAITS TURNPIKE, MIDDLEBURY, CT 06762, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GDC) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 203 574-1118)

-30- 450
#90235c0213 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FOUNDATON OF TEXAS COMMUNITIES OF 730 HARTFORD BLDG, 400 N ST PAUL ST, DALLAS, TX 75201, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF TOREADOR ROYALTY CORP. (TICKER: TRGL) THROUGH MAY FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(TOREADOR ROYALTY CORP. TEL: 214 220-2141)

-30- 457
#90235c0214 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFFREY MARKOWITZ OF 100 EAST 42ND STREET, 15TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DRUG) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 461
#90235c0216 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCOTT GOTTESMAN OF 100 EAST 42ND STREET, 15TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DRUG) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 459
#90235c0217 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALTER F BAUER OF 15935 VALLEY VISTA, ENCINO, CA 91436, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 818 706-8989)

-30- 442
#90235c0218 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROLS NATIONAL OF 2424 EDENBORN AVE STE 620, METAIRIE, LA 70001, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,800 SHARES OF CHEMFIX TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CFIX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CHEMFIX TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 504 831-3600)

-30- 453
#90235c0219 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROGER C LUCAS OF 614 MCKINLEY PL N E, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF TECHNE CORP. (TICKER: TECH) THROUGH JOHN G KINNARD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(TECHNE CORP. TEL: 612 397-2956)

-30- 398
#90235c0220 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES GONZALEZ OF 259 LINCOLN DR, 0, BARTLETT, IL 60103, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,716 SHARES OF CORAL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COCI) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CORAL COMPANIES INC. TEL: 303 820-3000)

-30- 418
#90235c0221 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM W PRITCHARD OF 1724 EAST 30TH STREET, 0, TULSA, OK 74114, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF PARKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: PKD) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(PARKER DRILLING CO. TEL: 918 585-8221)

-30- 421
#90235c0222 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALDAY INC-PROFL ASST MNGMT SYS OF 21 EVERETT RD EXT, ALBANY, NY 12205, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,009 SHARES OF MARROW-TECH INC. (TICKER: MARO) THROUGH PARAGON CAPITAL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20 1990.

(MARROW-TECH INC. TEL: 914 347-2730)

-30- 438
#90235c0224 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, R.B. MURFREE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP (TICKER: CITY) SOLD 202 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,703.

-30- 349
#90235c0225 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, R.B. MURFREE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP (TICKER: CITY) SOLD 798 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,511.

-30- 350
#90235c0226 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 18, 1989, P.L. FLORES, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL BANCSHARES CORP. SOLD 9,679 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90235c0227 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, D. COMBS, PRES. OF LINCOLN INTERNATIONAL CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLD 89,670.

-30- 300
#90235c0228 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 20, 1990, SCIENCE APP PENSION P/S PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 80,418 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,995,672.

-30- 381
#90235c0229 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 17, 1990, D.R. CHASE, BEN. OWNER OF WESTBANK CORP. SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90235c0230 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, D.R. CHASE, BEN. OWNER OF WESTBANK CORP. SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,808.

-30- 291
#90235c0232 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 11, 1990, CENTRAL MUTUAL INSURANCE CO,(TICKER: CNTU) BEN. OWNER OF CENTRAL UNITED CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90235c0233 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 17, 1990, CENTRAL MUTUAL INSURANCE CO,(TICKER: CNTU) BEN.

OWNER OF CENTRAL UNITED CORP. BOUGHT 199 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,487,383.

-30- 352
#90235c0234 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 27, 1990, B.J. CRAVATH, DIR. OF CENTURY BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: CNBH) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,702.

-30- 321
#90235c0235 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, S. REILLY, OFFICER OF INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: ISY), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 319
#90235c0236 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 2, 1990, R.T. SCHULER, DIR. OF NORTHEAST FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: NSB), BOUGHT 5,100 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90235c0237 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, R.T. SCHULER, DIR. OF NORTHEAST FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: NSB), BOUGHT 4,900 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,273.

-30- 321
#90235c0238 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, D.L. GORHAM, VP OF THE NEW YORK TIMES CO. (TICKER: NYTA), SOLD 3,949 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,316.

-30- 311
#90235c0240 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 9, 1990, B.D. FITZGERALD, CHAIRMAN OF SECURITY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: SCC), BOUGHT 2,141,500 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,191,500.

-30- 343
#90235c0241 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, A.H. HINES JR, DIR. OF TEMPLETON GLOBAL UTILITIES INC. (TICKER: TGU), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 334
#90235c0242 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 13, 1990, T.D. BESSLER, PRES. OF GARDEN STATE BANCSHARES INC. SOLD 389 SHARES AT $16.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90235c0243 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, R.H. CROSBY JR, DIR. OF WHITNEY HOLDING CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 293
#90235c0244 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 6, 1990, C.C. CRUM, DIR. OF FCNB CORP SOLD 161 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,261.

-30- 265
#90235c0245 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, M.S. LAPERA, VP OF FCNB CORP SOLD 300 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 230
#90235c0246 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, R.L. PUTNAM JR, DIR. OF ZERO CORP. (TICKER: ZRO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,907.

-30- 297
#90235c0248 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, HOWARD W KEEGAN, DIR. OF AMOSKEAG BANK SHARES INC. (TICKER: AMKG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,300.

-30- 325
#90235c0249 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ROBERT A KAVESH, DIR. OF APPLE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: APK), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 307
#90235c0250 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MARCEL R RODRIGUE, OFFICER OF ANTHEM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ATM), SOLD 4,399 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90235c0251 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, IGNACIO E LOZANO JR, DIR. OF BANKAMERICA CORP. (TICKER: BAC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 865.

-30- 306
#90235c0252 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, MYLES M KRANZLER, PRES. OF BASE TEN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: BASE), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90235c0253 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, MYLES M KRANZLER, PRES. OF BASE TEN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: BASE), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,824.

-30- 325
#90235c0254 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, PATRICE M PICARD, VP OF BAYBANKS INC. (TICKER: BBNK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 450.

-30- 293
#90235c0256 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, CHARLES A MILLER JR, DIR. OF BANK MARYLAND CORP. (TICKER: BKMD), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,990.

-30- 318
#90235c0257 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, THOMAS I NAIL, OFFICER OF BURKE MILLS INC. (TICKER: BMLS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,625.

-30- 306
#90235c0258 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RONALD L AYLWARD, DIR. OF BOATMEN'S BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BOAT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $29.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 1,358.

-30- 328
#90235c0259 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, MARTIN L BEARER, DIR. OF BT FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BTFC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,785.

-30- 309
#90235c0260 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, FIRST CAPITAL CORP OF CHICAGO, BEN. OWNER OF BIZMART INC. (TICKER: BZMT), SOLD 387,136 SHARES AT $14.96 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 828,701.

-30- 344
#90235c0261 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, WILLIAM J HUNCKLER III, DIR. OF BIZMART INC. (TICKER: BZMT), SOLD 430,125 SHARES AT $14.96 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 920,802.

-30- 316
#90235c0262 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, BRIAN D BELL, CHAIRMAN OF CB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBFC), BOUGHT 151 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,159.

-30- 310
#90235c0264 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, JOHN T HORTON, DIR. OF CBI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CBH), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $42.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 260

#90235c0265 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOHN D BAXTER, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA BIOTECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CBIO), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $10.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 387,300.

-30- 336
#90235c0266 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN M DEUTCH, DIR. OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,694.

-30- 294
#90235c0267 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOE A GEORGE JR, DIV. OFFICER OF CROWN CORK & SEAL CO. (TICKER: CCK), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $60.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,057.

-30- 333
#90235c0268 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, GEORGE C BRANCA, OFFICER OF CHARTER POWER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHP), SOLD 5,450 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90235c0269 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, GEORGE C BRANCA, OFFICER OF CHARTER POWER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHP), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 332
#90235c0270 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JOHN D PRINCEVALLI, OFFICER OF CHARTER POWER SYSTEMS

INC. (TICKER: CHP), SOLD 9,750 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,100.

-30- 341
#90235c0272 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GEORGE T STEWART III, DIR. OF CRESTAR FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CRFC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,200.

-30- 327
#90235c0273 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PAUL W MORRIS, VP OF QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: CUE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 314
#90235c0274 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, VINCENT F ORZA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF EATERIES INC. (TICKER: EATS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 465,904.

-30- 347
#90235c0275 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, GERALD A STROBEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. (TICKER: EEI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 353
#90235c0276 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, DAVID K GILES, OFFICER OF EFI ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: EFIC), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $2.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 142,840.

-30- 323
#90235c0277 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JULIE BOVA, OFFICER OF FIRST COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLR), BOUGHT 172 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 416.

-30- 312
#90235c0278 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JULIE BOVA, OFFICER OF FIRST COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLR), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,220.

-30- 316
#90235c0280 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 17, 1990, ROBERT J LEANDER, DIR. OF FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: FCOL), BOUGHT 1,335 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,123.

-30- 341
#90235c0281 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 17, 1989, HARRY BURN, DIR. OF FIRST CONSTITUTION FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCON), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 328
#90235c0282 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, HARRY BURN, DIR. OF FIRST CONSTITUTION FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCON), SOLD 125,500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90235c0283 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, CHARLES F SMITH, DIR. OF FIRSTFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FED), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90235c0284 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, CHARLES F SMITH, DIR. OF FIRSTFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FED), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 322
#90235c0285 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ARTHUR P GOLDNER, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $41.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,800.

-30- 327
#90235c0286 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ARTHUR P GOLDNER, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $41.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,800.

-30- 330
#90235c0288 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GARY C BANKS JR, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: FFCH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 329
#90235c0289 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, GREGORY S ABBOTT, VP OF FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRFD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 328
#90235c0290 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLIAM C STUMPHAUZER, DIR. OF FLEXWATT CORP. (TICKER: FWAT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,050.

-30- 313
#90235c0291 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOE M BAGGETT, DIR. OF GWINNETT BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: GBSI), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,000.

-30- 339
#90235c0292 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, GERBER PRODTS RET INVMT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF GERBER PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: GEB), BOUGHT 192 SHARES AT $41.96 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,685.

-30- 345
#90235c0293 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RAYMOND L SOULE, CHAIRMAN OF GNW FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GNWF), BOUGHT 210 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,990.

-30- 318
#90235c0294 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, WEYMAN B JONES, OFFICER OF GRUMMAN CORP. (TICKER: GQ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,158.

-30- 303

#90235c0296 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1986, GEORGE L GREENE, DIR. OF HOME FEDERAL S&L ASSN (SAN FCO) (TICKER: HFSF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90235c0297 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 03, 1986, GEORGE L GREENE, DIR. OF HOME FEDERAL S&L ASSN (SAN FCO) (TICKER: HFSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90235c0298 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, GEORGE L GREENE, DIR. OF HOME FEDERAL S&L ASSN (SAN FCO) (TICKER: HFSF), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,900.

-30- 344
#90235c0299 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, THOMAS W UNGER, VP OF HORSEHEAD RESOURCE DEV CO. (TICKER: HHRD), SOLD 2,750 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90235c0300 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, MALCOLM H STOCKDALE, CHAIRMAN OF IROQUOIS BRANDS LTD. (TICKER: IBL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90235c0301 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, MALCOLM H STOCKDALE, CHAIRMAN OF IROQUOIS BRANDS LTD. (TICKER: IBL), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 404,509.

-30- 331
#90235c0302 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, EASTMAN KODAK CO, BEN. OWNER OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), BOUGHT 274,914 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 274,914.

-30- 325
#90235c0304 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, DALE J GONZALEZ, VP OF KIT MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: KIT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90235c0305 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, DALE J GONZALEZ, VP OF KIT MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: KIT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90235c0306 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, DALE J GONZALEZ, VP OF KIT MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: KIT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,550.

-30- 313
#90235c0307 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ANTHONIE C VANEKRIS, CHAIRMAN OF KAY JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: KJI), SOLD 11,500 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90235c0308 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ANTHONIE C VANEKRIS, CHAIRMAN OF KAY JEWELERS INC.

(TICKER: KJI), SOLD 16,100 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90235c0309 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ANTHONIE C VANEKRIS, CHAIRMAN OF KAY JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: KJI), SOLD 32,400 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 329
#90235c0310 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WILFORD C LYON JR, DIR. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,150.

-30- 314
#90235c0312 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, WENDELL R EMERINE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,519.

-30- 292
#90235c0313 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JAMES W STRAND, DIV. OFFICER OF LINCOLN TELECOMMUNICATIONS CO. (TICKER: LTEC), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90235c0314 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JAMES W STRAND, DIV. OFFICER OF LINCOLN TELECOMMUNICATIONS CO. (TICKER: LTEC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 954.

-30- 348
#90235c0315 08/23/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, GARY L MARKEL, DIR. OF MARKEL CORP. (TICKER: MAKL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 384,283.

-30- 296
#90235c0316 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, G LOWELL DIXON, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $32.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,200.

-30- 309
#90235c0317 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, GARY E WENDLANDT, PRES. OF MASSMUTUAL CORP. INVESTORS MASS BUSINESS TRUST (TICKER: MCI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 456.

-30- 368
#90235c0318 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RICHARD J ANDERSON, VP OF MENTOR GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MENT), SOLD 12,900 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,189.

-30- 319
#90235c0320 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, WAYNE D MCCLAY, DIR. OF MINVEN GOLD CORP. (TICKER: MVG), SOLD 3,600 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90235c0321 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, WAYNE D MCCLAY, DIR. OF MINVEN GOLD CORP. (TICKER: MVG), SOLD 16,400 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,400.

-30- 310
#90235c0322 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, LOUIS PUTZE, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 3,306 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,306.

-30- 299
#90235c0323 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, LOUIS PUTZE, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 1,694 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90235c0324 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, LOUIS PUTZE, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90235c0325 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, LOUIS PUTZE, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90235c0326 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 29, 1990, LOUIS PUTZE, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,296.

-30- 300
#90235c0328 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BUCK A MICKEL, DIR. OF NATIONAL INTERGROUP INC. (TICKER: NII), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90235c0329 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BUCK A MICKEL, DIR. OF NATIONAL INTERGROUP INC. (TICKER: NII), BOUGHT 526 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90235c0330 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BUCK A MICKEL, DIR. OF NATIONAL INTERGROUP INC. (TICKER: NII), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,726.

-30- 318
#90235c0331 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, FRANK J COOKE, DIR. OF CONNECTICUT BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NKBK), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,200.

-30- 321
#90235c0332 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, J DAVID MARKS, CHAIRMAN OF ODYSSEY ENTERTAINMENT LTD. (TICKER: ODYY), SOLD 44,500 SHARES AT $0.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,166.

-30- 334
#90235c0333 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, GABE SUMNER, PRES. OF ODYSSEY ENTERTAINMENT LTD. (TICKER: ODYY), SOLD 45,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,666.

-30- 326
#90235c0334 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, CONRAD J HOIGAARD, DIR. OF RAVEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RAV), SOLD 3,832 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90235c0336 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1990, CONRAD J HOIGAARD, DIR. OF RAVEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RAV), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $13.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 109,574.

-30- 312
#90235c0337 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 06, 1990, CONRAD J HOIGAARD, DIR. OF RAVEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RAV), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 111,574.

-30- 312
#90235c0338 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, C BOARDMAN THOMPSON II, SHAREHOLDER OF RIGHT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS INC. (TICKER: RMCI), SOLD 23,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 146,881.

-30- 367
#90235c0339 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JOHN N TAYLOR JR, DIR. OF ROBBINS & MYERS INC. (TICKER: ROBN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,800.

-30- 319
#90235c0340 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JANICE R KONKOL, VP OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,549.

-30- 323
#90235c0341 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, ANDREW W MILLER, DIR. OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF), SOLD 45,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 824,471.

-30- 337
#90235c0342 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, DANNY F COOKE, OFFICER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90235c0344 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, DANNY F COOKE, OFFICER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,600.

-30- 312
#90235c0345 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, DANNY F COOKE, OFFICER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,942.

-30- 310
#90235c0346 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, LOUIS P THEBAULT, DIR. OF SELECTIVE INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: SIGI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90235c0347 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, LOUIS P THEBAULT, DIR. OF SELECTIVE INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: SIGI), SOLD 7,153 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90235c0348 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, PATRICK J CORSER, OFFICER OF SCHLUMBERGER LTD. N.V. (TICKER: SLB), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $62.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90235c0349 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, PATRICK J CORSER, OFFICER OF SCHLUMBERGER LTD. N.V. (TICKER: SLB), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $62.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,622.

-30- 325
#90235c0350 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, SAMUEL A FRANCIS, BEN. OWNER OF SOLV-EX CORP. (TICKER: SOLV), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90235c0352 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, SAMUEL A FRANCIS, BEN. OWNER OF SOLV-EX CORP. (TICKER: SOLV), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $1.65 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90235c0353 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, SAMUEL A FRANCIS, BEN. OWNER OF SOLV-EX CORP. (TICKER: SOLV), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,111,591.

-30- 317
#90235c0354 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, T W MITCHELL, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 389,638.

-30- 312
#90235c0355 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, H E CLENDENEN, DIR. OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,711.

-30- 323
#90235c0356 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, ROBERT G DICKINSON, DIR. OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,189.

-30- 329
#90235c0357 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, JOHN M MATOVINA, VP OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,317.

-30- 317
#90235c0358 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, LONNIE J STRICKLAND, DIR. OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $2.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,121.

-30- 330

#90235c0360 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, TIMOTHY C BROWN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TII), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,052.

-30- 327
#90235c0361 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN G MEDLIN JR, DIR. OF USAIR GROUP INC. (TICKER: U), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 308
#90235c0362 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, LORRENCE T KELLAR, DIR. OF THE U.S. SHOE CORP. (TICKER: USR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,200.

-30- 310
#90235c0363 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, THOMAS D SEGE, DIR. OF VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: VAR), SOLD 10,060 SHARES AT $33.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,524.

-30- 317
#90235c0364 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JANET J PETERS, VP OF VF CORP. (TICKER: VFC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,100.

-30- 284
#90235c0365 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, CHAIRMAN OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL

CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90235c0366 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, CHAIRMAN OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90235c0368 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, CHAIRMAN OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 109,186.

-30- 324
#90235c0369 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, WESTVACO SAVINGS & INVESTMENT, BEN. OWNER OF WESTVACO CORP. (TICKER: W), BOUGHT 11,100 SHARES AT $25.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,221,142.

-30- 350
#90235c0370 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, EDWIN L OURANT, OFFICER OF WENDY'S INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WEN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 323
#90235c0371 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, STEPHEN A ENNA, VP OF WELLS FARGO & CO. (TICKER: WFC), SOLD 833 SHARES AT $60.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,183.

-30- 298

#90235c0372 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, GERALD C HUTH, SHAREHOLDER OF XSIRIUS INC. (TICKER: XSIR), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90235c0373 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, GERALD C HUTH, SHAREHOLDER OF XSIRIUS INC. (TICKER: XSIR), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90235c0374 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, GERALD C HUTH, SHAREHOLDER OF XSIRIUS INC. (TICKER: XSIR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90235c0376 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, GERALD C HUTH, SHAREHOLDER OF XSIRIUS INC. (TICKER: XSIR), SOLD 2,900 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90235c0377 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, GERALD C HUTH, SHAREHOLDER OF XSIRIUS INC. (TICKER: XSIR), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90235c0378 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, GERALD C HUTH, SHAREHOLDER OF XSIRIUS INC. (TICKER: XSIR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274

#90235c0379 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GERALD C HUTH, SHAREHOLDER OF XSIRIUS INC. (TICKER: XSIR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 193,748.

-30- 313
#90235c0380 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY W.S. FRIEDMAN OF GROUP LED BY NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,739,264 SHARES (26.40%) OF AMERICAN REALTY TR (TICKER: ARB) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 29, 1990 and Aug. 17, 1990, W.S. Friedman sold 400,000 shares at a price of $3 per share and purchased 567,000 shares at a price of $2.38 to $3.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment and to better align the interests of NRA with the shareholders of the trust.

-30- 649
#90235c0381 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY R.C. BLUM & ASSOCIATES I OWNS 1,898,327 SHARES (6.42%) OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP (TICKER: NEC) OF IRVINE, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

R.C. Blum Associates I purchased 282,175 shares from June 25 to Aug. 17, 1990 for $4.42 to $5.12 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 504
#90235c0382 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

T.A. TURNER OWNS 1,530,170 SHARES (12.84%) OF RESURGENS COMMUNICATIONS GROUP INC (TICKER: RCG) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Terrill A. Turner acquired beneficial ownership of 210,081 shares of common stock of Resurgens Communications Group Inc. pursuant to terms of a stock purchase agreement, dated Aug. 15, 1990, between RCG Investors II, T. A. Turner, and C. Hunter Tison. The Partnership issued to Tison a promissory note in the aggregate principal amount of $1,234,225.80 in payment for the purchase price of the shares. As security for the note, the Partnership granted a security interest in the shares to Tison pursuant to a pledge agreement. Pursuant to a loan agreement, dated Aug. 13, 1990, by the Partnership and James D. Daher, Daher agreed to fund the Partnership's interest payment on the note in exchange for a portion of the appreciation in the market value of the share, if any, during the term of the note.

LATEST TRANSACTION: On undisclosed dates and purchase prices, T.A. Turner acquired beneficial ownership of 17,522 shares of common stock of Resurgens Communications Group which is attributable to open market and private purchases, exercising of warrants to purchase, reduced by the number of shares transferred by gift.

PURPOSE:

Promissory note and pledge agreement.

-30- 1547
#90235c0384 08/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY S.A. SARNO SR OWNS 415,144 SHARES (6.50%) OF SEVEN OAKS INTL INC (TICKER: QPON) OF MEMPHIS, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 8, 1990, Messrs. Sarno, Sr. and Jr. reached an informal agreement in principle to act together in seeking a purchaser or purchasers for all or a portion of their shares of common stock of the company. Options to acquire 9,500 shares have expired.

-30- 587

#90235d0350 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) - American naval forces have searched ''a handful'' of freighters and stopped ''dozens'' of others in the Gulf region as part of the continuing embargo of Iraq, a Pentagon spokesman said Thursday.

In none of the cases was it necessary to fire shots across the bow to stop a vessel, spokesman Pete Williams said. Such warning shots were fired nine times over the weekend.

Williams said there was ''a great degree'' of willingness by ship captains to stop voluntarily and not seek to continue their trips. Two Iraqi tankers which kept going despite warning shots were under close watch by the U.S. Navy, he added.

Williams announced that an Iraqi tanker which had discharged part of its cargo in Aden, Yemen, Tuesday had since left port and that Yemeni officials had assured the United States the unloading process had not been completed.

The spokesman also said Iraq is believed to have 160,000 troops in Kuwait. Iraqi forces there have 1,300 to 1,500 tanks at their disposal and a large amount of artillery, he said.

Williams reiterated Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Colin Powell's statement that the United States has no ''independent confirmation'' of reports claiming that Iraq has deployed Soviet-made Scud intermediate-range missiles in Kuwait.

He said there are no ''remarkable'' troop concentrations along the Iraqi border to Turkey.

-30- 1584

#90235d0370 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (AUG. 23) - The rate of growth in South Africa's broad-based M3 money supply slowed to a preliminary year-on-year rate of 16.32 percent in July, latest figures released here by the Reserve (central) Bank show.

The July figure, the lowest since October 1987, compares with increases of 21.67 percent in April, 19.12 in May and 17.16 percent in June.

The M3 increase indicates that South Africa's monetary authorities are close to reaching the targetted growth figures for money supply of between 11 and 15 percent, economists said Thursday.

But Johannesburg economist Mike Brown cautioned: "Although it is nice to see M3 continuing to decline, we are only at the top of the targetted range. You have to get to the bottom of the range before you can think about relaxing monetary policy."

For the past year, the government has been using high interest rates and stringent money controls to drive down M3, which is all notes in circulation plus all deposits in banks, building societies and the post office.

Comparative M3 figures in billions of rands with the dollar equivalents in brackets, using average exchange rates of 38 U.S. cents to the rand in July, 37.6 cents in June and 37 cents in July 1989.

July 1990	June 1990	July 1989
152.848 (58.082)	152.550 (57.358)	131.398 (48.617)

-30- 1540

#90235d0550 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) - The Soviet Union has ''significantly more'' military advisers in Iraq than the 193 it acknowledged in a Wednesday news conference, the State Department said Thursday.

Spokesman Richard Boucher said Washington had asked Moscow about its advisers in Iraq, but was satisfied with Soviet assurances that military shipments to the Arab country had ceased.

Boucher would not specify how many Soviet advisers were in Iraq, whether they were being held hostage as U.S. citizens were, or whether they had been allowed to leave the country.

A spokesman said Secretary of State James Baker had exchanged messages with his Soviet counterpart Eduard Shevardnadze Thursday, but would not describe their contents.

The Soviet Union has been a major supplier of arms and military know-how to Iraq in past years, although it is believed to have reduced its aid levels to the country more recently.

The United States has characterized its cooperation with the Soviet Union on the Gulf crisis as excellent, although Moscow has been urging Washington and its allies to delay using force in enforcing the U.N.

embargo.

-30- 1342
#90235d0770 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 23) - British conglomerate Hanson put an end Thursday to talks with the government on a possible Hanson purchase of nationalized electricity producer PowerGen, potentially endangering the whole plan for privatization of the electricity sector.

The Energy Ministry said that rather than being sold to Hanson or some other buyer, PowerGen will be listed on the stock exchange next February, as had been planned originally. The ministry said that procedure would maximize anticipated government receipts from disposing of the electricity producer.

At the end of July, the government planned to sell it en bloc, and began negotiations with Hanson, which was supposed to submit a firm offer on Friday -- following which an international call for tenders was to be launched for PowerGen.

Energy Secretary John Wakeham said it had been decided to return to the original idea in the light of "further advice" on the chances of success of an attempt to dispose of the business on the market, especially thanks to a revaluation of likely financial results made by the PowerGen management.

Leaks to the press have said that PowerGen is expecting a doubling of its profit by 1992, which would make the 1.5 billion pounds Hanson was initially contemplating as the purchase price a minimum. But Hanson was actually thinking of making a bid below that level, according to certain indications in the press.

Observers say the latest development could create difficulties for privatization of the electricity sector. "It's a formidable undertaking when there are no problems. When there are problems, it's a bit of a challenge," said Hoare Govett analyst Nigel Hawkins.

He said the program aimed at privatization of PowerGen and its competitor, National Power, might be delayed until after the next general election, which must take place in 1992 at the latest.

Mr. Hawkins said there were other reasons for Hanson's reversal of attitude besides the upward revision of profit expectations (and hence of the potential sale price). One is PowerGen's expensive program of desulfurization equipment, an investment estimated at 500 million pounds.

Another is the government desire to receive part of the capital gains

Hanson might make on possible sales of PowerGen property assets.

Then, too, Hanson may have been put off by current market turbulence and rising oil prices.

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#90235d1140 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) - The United States has begun to deploy some of its Europe-based troops, normally assigned to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), to the Gulf, the Pentagon said Thursday.

Maintaining its silence on the actual size of troop movements, the Pentagon said some troops from the U.S. Army's 7th Medical Command were being moved from their West German base to the Gulf area.

At the same time, C-130E Hercules transport aircraft of the 435th Tactical Airlift Wing, also normally based in West Germany, are being deployed for Operation Desert Shield. Again, the Pentagon refused to give any more precise details.

West Germany, which has so far refused to send troops to help enforce the U.N.-mandated economic embargo against Iraq and Iraqi-controlled Kuwait, has provided U.S. forces in the Gulf with 10 Fox chemical monitoring vehicles, the Pentagon said.

The Fox vehicles can monitor battlefield areas for traces of chemical agents while protecting their crews from exposure to chemical agents.

In a separate aannouncement, the Pentagon said elements of the U.S. Army's 3rd Corps Artillery, based at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, were joining U.S. forces already deployed in Saudi Arabia.

The 3rd Corps is equipped with 105mm, 155mm and eight-inch artillery guns and with Lance short-range missiles.

-30- 1547

#90235d1170 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG 24) - The grandparents of five British hostages held by Iraqi authorities were relieved to learn Thursday that they were well when they recognized them in an Iraqi television broadcast with President Saddam Hussein.

"The children looked happy and Steve was smiling ... now we just want them home with us," Alma Morton, 66, said of her son Steven, his wife Patricia, both 37, and their sons Gary, Craig and Ian, aged 15, 13 and 11 respectively.

The Mortons, from Cleveland in northeast England, have been in Kuwait where Steven had been working for a U.S. company as a security agent for two and a half months.

Alma's husband, George, said: "It came as a great relief to see them looking reasonably well on television tonight, although naturally we are concerned about their present situation."

A spokesman for the Gulf Support Group set up by relatives of Britons held in Kuwait said here earlier that the tape "made all of us feel sick". The spokesman added that some members of the group had recognized relatives on the tape.

The Foreign Office described the tape as a "repulsive charade" while 10 Downing Street said Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher had watched the Iraqi television broadcast "with repulsion."

-30- 1439

#90235d1270 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA, (AUG 23) - Colombia is to increase its oil production by 28,000 barrels per day, with the additional output destined for export, a government spokesman said Thursday.

Saying the increase was designed to help alleviate the international supply situation, the spokesman said the nation's exports would increase to 248,000 barrels per day.

-30- 518

#90235d1280 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, (AUG 24) - The five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council remained divided over a United States proposal to authorise naval enforcement of the Iraq embargo, but talks Thursday apparently brought progress.

Western diplomats said agreement was ''relatively close'' after the latest consulations among the big five - the U.S., Soviet Union, China, Britain and France.

But Soviet delegate Valentin Losinski denied a U.S. statement that the five had approved a text for the blockade resolution and had relayed it to their respective capitals for the final okay.

That was a ''false impression'', Losinski told reporters. Political and diplomatic efforts were underway and must be given a chance, he said.

The Soviet diplomat ruled out a Thursday meeting of the full Security Council to consider adopting a blockade resolution. But he said the 15-member body could still be convened ''this week''.

The U.S. draft resolution has been repeatedly altered in consultations since Sunday, with a central point being the degree of force permissible to stop ships from violating the U.N. economic embargo against Iraq.

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#90235d1300 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (AUG 24) - A senior Colombian Government official Thursday complained that the Japanese Government was showing little interest in fighting drug trafficking.

The official, who demanded anonymity, said Japan was employing what he called "the ostrich policy" -- ignoring the dangers of international narcotics trafficking.

He said the Japanese Government did not seem to realize that as a wealthy, high-consumption society, Japan was exposed to the dangers of one of humanity's greatest threats.

"If the cocaine vice enters Japan, nobody will be able to stop it," warned the official.

He noted that Japanese customs officials recently had intercepted a ship carrying a large drug shipment near that island nation.

The official also said Japan's lack of cooperation in fighting drug trafficking has generated "a very great uneasiness" among Colombian Government officials.

But Takano Hiroshi, a counselor at the Japanese Embassy here, denied the Colombian official's allegations, saying that his country had acknowledged drug trafficking as an international problem.

He said Japan did not want to emphasize in public its anti-drug aid to Colombia out of fear that Colombia's powerful drug lords might retaliate against Japanese living here.

Mr. Hiroshi also stressed that the Japanese Constitution prohibited Japan from aiding other nations militarily.

"We believe that Colombia needs to strengthen its economy to be able to fight the drug traffickers, and for that reason we are aiding it economically and technically," he said.

He added that Japanese authorities were taking "severe measures" to halt the flow of cocaine into Japan and launching education campaigns urging the Japanese public not to consume drugs.

In other drug matters Thursday, the brother of fugitive Medellin cocaine cartel chief Pablo Escobar Gaviria challenged police to reveal legal charges against himself.

"I ask that you publicly explain to the nation what are the judicial charges filed against me," Roberto Escobar Gaviria said in a letter to General Miguel Gomez, the national police commander.

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#90235d1350 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 24) - A French publishing company has ordered 180,000 copies of a popular dictionary recalled after readers discovered a deadly mushroom had been improperly labelled as harmless.

Directors of Larousse on Thursday said the company was removing the copies of the latest edition of "Petit Larousse" from bookstores in France, Switzerland,
Belgium and Canada.

"An error has occured on page 203 of the Petit Larousse in color, in the captions for the illustrated color-plate on mushrooms," the company said.

Two highly-poisonous varieties of the amanita mushroom were mistakenly marked harmless, the company said, adding it hoped to have a corrected edition ready by mid-September.

The error was expected to cost the publishing company about 30 million francs (5.7 million dollars).

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#90235d1370 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA, (AUG 24) - The Iraqi News Agency late Thursday published what it said was the transcript of a phone call between King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and a Gulf leader, allegedly proving that the king was "plotting" against Iraq.

The agency had said Wednesday that it would publish the transcript of a July 9 telephone conversation between King Fahd and the unnamed leader, during which the king accused Iraqi leaders of having "lost their nerve" on oil matters.

Last month Iraq had accused Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates of

"deliberately inundating the oil market" with the intention of "harming the interests of Iraq and the Arab nation."

The INA text, received in Nicosia, quoted King Fahd as describing the situation between Iraq and Israel as being "sensitive" and telling the Gulf leader that he "does not want problems either with Israel or with Iran."

In the conversation, which came well before the August 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq, King Fahd was quoted as saying he would "try to calm down the nerves (of the Iraqis)" and adding that once the crisis had passed, "it will be possible to reach an understanding with them."

INA said King Fahd then asked: "What have (the Iraqis) to do with Israel, who are 700 kilometres away from them?" Israel, he said, "has 200 nuclear warheads and 48 atom bombs."

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#90235d1570 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO, (AUG 24) - Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu has condemned Iraq's confinement of Japanese nationals to a Baghdad hotel, officials here said Friday.

Mr. Kaifu, in a statement issued late Thursday through his aides, said that "it is not totally forgivable both from a humanitarian viewpoint but also under international law for a country to forcibly take foreigners into custody."

According to the foreign ministry, a total of 178 Japanese stranded in Kuwait were moved to Baghdad on Wednesday but most of them were being held in custody at a hotel by Iraqi authorities.

Even Japanese Embassy officials in the Iraqi capital were barred from meeting the Japanese at the hotel, the ministry said.

Mr. Kaifu said the government would make all-out efforts to secure the safety of Japanese in Iraq through every possible diplomatic means.

He said Japan would strongly protest the Iraqi action and demand that all those who want to evacuate be allowed to leave the country.

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#90235d1590 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO, (AUG 24) - Egypt is banking on an influx of Arab and Egyptian capital now invested in the Gulf to offset the potentially punishing effects of the Gulf crisis on its economy.

The central bank, convinced that Egypt is viewed by Gulf investors as a stable Arab country at a time of extreme tension and uncertainty, has instructed banks here to simplify transfer procedures.

If such capital movement does take place it could prove to be the salvation of the foundering Egyptian economy.

Egyptian workers in Iraq and Kuwait, who numbered 600,000 before the former invaded its neighbour on August 2, are returning home at the rate of 10,000 a day, threatening to swell the ranks of the unemployed by at least 10 per cent.

Each of the workers was supporting several people back home, with remittances from Egyptians working all over the Arab world totalling 2.5 billion dollars a year.

But that figure will be sharply reduced without the contribution of revenue earned in Iraq or Kuwait.

Tourism, which usually earns Egypt two billion dollars a year in hard currency, is also expected to suffer, with arrivals likely to plunge 30 to 40 per cent amid fears of war in the region, according to Tourism Minister Fouad Sultan.

In Port Said, officials of the Suez Canal have reported a 25 per cent fall in traffic since the invasion. Cairo took in 1.4 billion dollars last year in transit fees.

Even the sharp hike in oil prices is not likely to compensate for increases in the cost of industrial products -- 70 per cent of Egyptian imports -- that are likely to result from more expensive fuel charges.

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#90235d1860 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PASADENA, CA (AUG. 24) - NASA computer doctors Thursday conducted inter-planetary surgery on the Magellan spacecraft's electronic brain to repair a malfunction that has twice interrupted its communications with tracking stations on Earth.

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) officials at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory here were not sure why earth stations lost contact with the satellite.

"We don't know what triggered these events. We're fixing the symptoms. We're taking the steps to keep Magellan running," said Ed Sherry, technical assistant to the Magellan project manager.

NASA scientists spent Thursday unloading Magellan's electronic brain of flight data that might contain clues to why the earth stations lost contact with the space probe. Initial evaluation of the data indicated that the satellite's safety system could not maintain radio contact because one of the probe's backup computers suffered a "corrupted" memory.

The satellite has four computers -- a main computer and its backup as well as an "attitude-control" computer and a backup that help aim the space probe.

The engineers also spent the day reloading -- via radio -- the Magellan's computer banks with a rewritten computer memory.

They also reactivated the space probe's safety sytems, which were disabled Wednesday to prevent them from again interrupting radio communications to Earth.

NASA first lost contact with Magellan August 16 and then again Tuesday night as it was orbiting Venus.

Engineers Wednesday reestablished radio contact with the wayward spacecraft after a 17-12-hour communications blackout.

Magellan's 744-million-dollar mission, which began some 15 months ago, is to photograph and map the rugged surface of Venus.

The first pictures of Venus taken by the Magellan's camera were released Tuesday, and the next batch of photographs is expected to be released Friday.

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#90235d5760 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 23) - The Philippines' trade deficit rose to 1.873 billion dollars in the first semester, 62.7 percent higher than in the same period last year, the Central Bank said Thursday.

Exports rose by 3.7 percent to 3.902 billion dollars but imports increased by 17.5 percent to 5.775 billion dollars, a Central Bank statement said.

Semi-conductor devices remained the country's leading exports followed by coconut oil, children's wear, copper, and electrical and electronic machinery parts, but exports of fruits, vegetables, agro-based and forest products declined.

Crude oil remained the country's leading import, with capital goods led by power-generating machines and telecommunications equipment registering the highest increases.

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#90235d5770 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (AUG. 23) - China must speed up tax collection if it wants to meet its revenue target for 1990, the China Daily reported Thursday.

The newspaper quoted Jin Xin, director of the State Taxation Bureau, as saying 150.6 billion yuan (32 billion dollars) were collected in the first seven months of the year -- only 51.7 percent of a targeted 291 billion yuan (61 billion dollars) for 1990.

He called for a concerted effort by the country's 500,000 taxmen to "reverse the situation."

Taxes account for 95 percent of total state revenue, but the budget deficit has been growing as the economy stagnates as a result of an austerity plan launched last year.

The deficit this year is expected to reach 8.89 billion yuan (1.9 billion dollars), according to finance ministry projections.

Government officials Sunday announced a new campaign against tax fraud, the fifth in as many years.

Private enterprises, which have been under particular scrutiny for more than one year, paid up in large numbers in the first quarter, but most of the delays have come from state firms, the official English-language daily said.

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#90235d5830 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 23) - Japan's Toray Industries Inc. said Thursday it had agreed to market in Asia engineering plastics made by Eastmak Kodak Co. of the United States, adding that it was studying the possibility of joint production.

The agreement covers EKTAR products, polyester-based plastics now used in various industries in the United States and Europe ranging from the electronics and automotive sectors to food, optical and medical fields, a statement said.

"The agreement enables Toray to promote its plastics business and to expand its lineup of heat-resistant materials used mainly in electric and electronic components," it said. "The two companies also agreed to study the possibility of jointly producing EKTAR products in Japan."

Toray is Japan's leading textile concern and biggest maker of synthetic fibres with sales of around 550 billion yen (3.7 billion dollars) last year.

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#90235d5920 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 23) - The U.N. Security Council has decided to order a special committee to study, on a case-by-case basis, the economic impact of the embargo against Iraq on third countries.

Convened Wednesday at the request of Jordan and Bulgaria, the Security Council ordered a "sanctions committee" to examine the repercussions of the embargo on at least those two countries.

The sanctions committee, presided by Finland, was formed under resolution 661, which declared a total embargo against Iraq for its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

"Jordan is a special case and needs a particular help," said British Ambassador to the United Nations, Sir Crispin Tickell, at the end of the session late Wednesday.

French Ambassador Pierre-Louis Blanc said "Jordan is the country most strongly affected by the embargo." He noted the problems Jordan faces as a result of the influx of refugees from Kuwait and Iraq.

For his part, U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering underscored the importance of U.S. aid to Jordan and recalled that his country had accorded Amman 280 million dollars in aid after King Hussein's recent visit to the United States.

In a memorandum sent to members of the Security Council, Jordan estimated that the embargo would result in a 1.5 billion dollars drop in revenues. It calculated that another 500 million dollars would be necessary "to cover the the indirect consequences and repercussions of reduced economic activity and external imbalances."

For its part, Bulgaria, whose economy also has been affected by the embargo against Iraq, estimates that Iraq owes it 1.2 billion dollars payable in oil that cannot be delivered.

The members of the Security Council may meet again Thursday morning for renewed consultations on the question of whether force may be used to make the embargo stick. No decision has yet been taken, informed sources said.

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#90235d6040 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 23) - Brent oil, the North Sea benchmark crude, soared to over 30 dollars a barrel here on Thursday.

It gained two dollars at the opening of the market here, hitting 30.75 dollars compared with 28.85 at Wednesday's close.

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#90235d6240 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (AUG. 23) - King Hussein of Jordan left Thursday for Yemen, a reliable source said, but government officials refused to confirm his destination.

The source who declined to be identified said King Hussein had gone to Sana'a for a visit to last only a few hours.

There was no official announcement of the king's departure, even three hours after he had left.

King Hussein on Wednesday told a news conference he would start a tour of Arab states -- including Iraq -- on Thursday in fresh attempt to forge an Arab solution to the Gulf crisis.

Yemen and Jordan have not supported Arab League resolutions demanding an Iraqi military withdrawal from Kuwait.

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#90235d6420 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KHARTOUM (AUG. 23) - Sudan on Thursday denied press reports in Cairo that it had allowed Iraq to use Sudanese military bases.

"Such allegations are without any basis in fact," said an authoritative source cited by the official Sudanese news agency.

He insisted there were no Iraqi military aircraft based in Sudan and noted that "the presence of these planes could have been very easily detected by satellite."

The Egyptian newspaper Al-Wafd reported Tuesday that Sudan had made miltary bases available to the Iraqi army and that a squadron of Iraqi combat planes had already arrived at Wadi Seidna north of here.

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#90235d6460 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
QUIMPER, FRANCE (AUG. 23) - Firms in the western French region of

Brittany face financial hardship owing to the Gulf crisis as they can no longer export to Baghdad under a U.N. embargo, according to industry sources in the region.

"It's a straight loss," said Thierry Gex, the director of a seed potato-exporting cooperative, GOPEX, which had planned on exports worth 45 million francs (857,000 dollars) to Iraq this year.

Until 1988, GOPEX had been Iraq's sole supplier of seed potatoes, and still supplies 80 per cent of Iraqi needs.

Mr. Gex said that he feared he would be unable to pay 1,500 workers in various parts of Britanny without government help.

Other firms in the region, notably chicken exporters, reported a similar crisis.

The U.N. trade embargo was voted on August 6, four days after Iraq invaded Kuwait.

Iraq is France's 30th largest trading partner overall, with exports for last year totalling 526 million francs (100 million dollars).

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#90235d6560 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 23) - Saudi Arabia has informed Japanese oil firms that it is ready to increase its crude oil supplies to Japan again starting in September, oil industry sources Thursday.

Saudi authorities are apparently planning to boost oil production in order to make up for embargoed Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude oil, the sources said.

Japanese oil refiners had been securing supplies for September from Iran. The increased supplies from Saudi Arabia could gurantee stable oil supplies for the winter season, the sources said.

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#90235d6590 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KENNEBUNKPORT, MAINE (AUG. 22) - U.S. President George Bush has served notice that the United States believes it can legitimately use force to make the embargo against Iraq stick - with or without the approval of the United Nations Security Council.

The warning came Wednesday after Mr. Bush ordered a call-up of the reserves to active duty for the first time since the Vietnam war.

"I don't rule in or rule out the use of military force," Mr. Bush said.

Although the presidential order calling up the reserves specified no numbers, the mobilization was expected to involve as many as 40,000 troops from all services by the end of August, White House aides said.

The reservists would include specialists in airlift, food and water handling, surface transportation, cargo handling, medical services, construction and intelligence, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said.

The latest U.S. moves in the war of nerves appeared directed in part at prodding the U.N. Security Council to action as well as at stepping up pressure on Iraq.

The U.S. administration has been urging members of the U.N. Security Council to adopt a U.S. resolution allowing member countries to use the "minimum force necessary" to enforce the embargo, which was declared in retaliation for Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

At a news conference at his summer home here, Mr. Bush said he was willing to give the United Nations "a little time" to put teeth into resolution 661,
declaring the embargo against Iraq.

But he warned that his administration has "all the authority we need" to intercept ships suspected of carrying goods to and from Iraq.

"At this juncture, I'm not prepared to say whether we're going to insist on U.N. action before we go further. But I think the signal must go out to the world that many countries are prepared to fully enforce these sanctions," he said.

The five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council met informally Wednesday at United Nations headquarters in New York to discuss the issue of whether to use force to stop the flow of goods to and from Iraq.

The Soviet Union, which said it has 193 military advisers in Iraq, was said by diplomats to be resisting a resolution authorizing the use of force, saying that should wait until there were clear-cut violations of the embargo.

Nevertheless, Mr. Bush praised the Soviet Union for its "superb cooperation" and said U.S. Secretary of State James Baker spoke Wednesday with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

He also cited the support he has received from Britain's Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and France's President Francois Mitterrand as well as a "very big Japanese diplomatic initiative" to portray the Iraqis as

isolated.

Meanwhile, State Department officials met with foreign diplomats accredited to Washington to call for "international solidarity" in dealing with the situation facing their nationals and diplomatic missions in Kuwait and Iraq,
 State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

The State Department said Wednesday the United States would defy an Iraqi order that all missions in Kuwait be closed by Friday. Iraq has warned that any diplomats who stay behind would be stripped of immunity.

"The United States, along with most other nations represented in Kuwait, has rejected the Iraqi demand for the closure of diplomatic missions in Kuwait and will be retaining a diplomatic presence in that country," a State Department statement said.

Mr. Boucher said U.S. Embassy dependents and non-essential personnel would leave Kuwait City "by road to Baghdad and out of Iraq by whatever means available...in the next day or two."

The embassy in Kuwait has a list of 1,984 Americans in Kuwait. Previously, the State Department has put the number of U.S. nationals there at 2,500. Mr. Bouche said the remainder might be dual nationals who had not registered with the embassy.

The Voice of America broadcast a warning to U.S. citizens thinking of trying to escape overland to Saudi Arabia to "plan their route carefully and be aware that Iraqi forces are under orders to stop and take into custody anyone identified as an American citizen."

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#90235d6670 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WOLFSBURG, (AUG. 23) - The West German carmaker Volkswagen said here Thursday it had reached agreement with unions for four extra Saturday work shifts in order to meet surging demand.

A VW spokesman said three Saturday shifts in September and one in October at the Wolfsburg plant would provide increased production of 10,000 vehicles.

Around one-half of the 61,000 workers in Wolfsburg would be affected by the extra-time measures, the spokesman said.

He added that at VW was taking steps to increase production at the company's commercial vehicles plant in Hanover. Among other steps, additional workers were being hired there.

VW had not yet decided on whether to increase production at its other car plants around the country, the spokesman said. dpa ds 231221 aug 90

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SYDNEY (AUG. 23) - The world's largest mineral sands producer, Australia's Renison Goldfields Consolidated (RGC) Ltd., on Thursday announced a 15.6 percent rise in annual net profit following a strong showing by its mineral sands operation.

The mineral sands, gold and base metals miner announced a record 116 million Australian dollars (95 million U.S.) net profit for the year to June 27 compared with 100.4 million dollars (82 million U.S.) the previous year.

The mineral sands division earned 176.6 million dollars (145 million U.S.) before interest and tax, a 20 percent jump on the previous year.

Campbell Anderson, RGC's managing director, said that higher titanium and gold prices would ensure future profitability despite low tin prices, losses from its copper mine in the island state of Tasmania and the high Australian dollar.

"We would wish for a better Australian dollar from an exporters' point of view," he said.

The opening "in the fairly near future" of the huge Porgera gold mine in Papua New Guinea, in which RGC has a 30 percent stake, would boost earnings, he said.

"RGC remains in a strong financial position after a further year of increased profits ... in which capital expenditure, essential for the group's future growth, showed a significant increase," Anderson said.

Sales revenue increased 10.5 percent to 652.9 million dollars (534.5 million U.S.).

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#90235d6880 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 23) - Japanese electronics giant Sony Corp. said Thursday its net consolidated profit rose 5.7 percent in the three months to June from the same period last year to 24.5 billion yen (160 million dollars).

Sales soared 47.1 percent to 841 billion yen (5.5 billion dollars), the company said.

The figure included sales of films by its Columbia Pictures unit acquired late last year which were not included in the previous results.

European sales soared 78 percent while sales in the United States climbed 54 percent. Japanese sales rose a modest 15 percent, and sales in other areas jumped 57 percent, a statement said.

Television sales climbed 41 percent while sales of video equipment rose 38 percent, led by "exceptionally strong" sales of eight-millimeter camcorders.

Audio equipment sales advanced 30 percent, fuelled by strong sales of compact disc players, small stereos and Walkmans.

Sales of records by the company's CBS Records unit rose 25 percent, and sales of other products including electronic components and semiconductors jumped 50 percent, the statement added.

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#90235d6940 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEL AVIV (AUG. 23) - Israeli Premier Itzhak Shamir has warned Iraq against launching any military strike against the Jewish state, saying Baghdad would pay ''a terrible price'' for any attack.

''The people of Israel have a long experience of losses and sufferings and are unwilling to play with their fate,'' Shamir said in an interview with Israeli television.

''The elements that are plotting to attack Israel know very well that if they dare do it, they will pay a dreadful and terrible price,'' he added.

The right-wing prime minister said the Israeli army, ''equipped with the best of arms and the best of modern technologies, knows how to defend Israel in times of emergency''.

Shamir claimed that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was attempting to drag Israel into the Gulf conflict in order to secure the support of Arab countries in his confrontation with the United States.

But, Shamir said, ''Israel is not involved in this storm and no-one can accuse it of taking part. We have no interest in helping Saddam to drag us into the whirlpool of the Persian Gulf crisis''.

Shamir pointed out that the Gulf crisis has placed Jordan's King Hussein in ''a precarious position''. He said despite his verbal attacks on the Jewish state, King Hussein ''need not expect danger from Israel''.

''Israel is interested in a strong and stable Jordan where King Hussein sits on his throne and rules. Israel's interest has always been to keep its border with Jordan completely quiet.'' Shamir said.

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#90235d6950 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 23) - Negotiations over a 100 million dollar World Bank transport loan for Nigeria face a hitch following a disagreement over the future of the Nigerian Railway Corporation (NRC), according to a report received here Thursday.

The disagreement came in negotiations over a 100 million dollar World Bank loan for the second phase of the nation's parastatal transport programme and the construction of about 10 river ports, according to the official economic bulletin of the United Bank of Africa (UBA), one of the country's three largest banks.

The World Bank and Nigeria's technical committe on privatisation and commercialisation (TCPC) have disagreed over whether the NRC should be split into three separate companies, the bulletin said.

The TCPC, on behalf of the Nigerian military government, has been advocating the restructuring of the NRC, dividing it into three main operations, while the World Bank wants the present single administrative structure of the corporation to be maintained to avoid delay in decision-making and to make monitoring of the loan easy.

The NRC received about 10 million of the 20.9 million dollars received by the government under the first phase of the programme. The amount was used to reactivate locomotives, wagons, coaches and rail-lines, said the bulletin.

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#90235d6970 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 23) - The European Economic Community (EEC) on Thursday announced emergency aid worth a million ECUs (1.33 million dollars) to organise an airlift to bring home Egyptian refugees stranded in Jordan.

The grant, announced by the EEC's executive Commission, should enable the airlift to start later Thursday, a Commission spokesman said.

The aid, which will be administered by Egypt, is "a first humanitarian gesture for the refugees, some of whom are crossing the border (into Jordan) in a state of absolute poverty," a statement said.

Jordan earlier announced it was temporarily closing its border with Iraq as it is unable to cope with the estimated 30,000-40,000 Egyptians and other foreigners displaced by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The only two outlets from Jordan -- the port of Aqaba and Amman airport -- are already choked with refugees desperate to return home.

Commission experts are to meet with the EEC member states on Friday to discuss further aid moves for the refugees, a Commission official said.

EEC foreign ministers, in their meeting in Paris Tuesday, also agreed to provide financial help for Jordan, Egypt and Turkey, whose economies have been battered by the crisis. The United States, Japan and other wealthy countries will be invited to contribute.

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#90235d7000 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (AUG. 23) - Pakistani Foreign Minister Sahabzadah Yaqub Khan was visting the western town of Jeddah Thursday for talks with Saudi leaders on the Gulf crisis and Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Yaqub Khan arrived late Wednesday from Jordan and immediately had talks with his Saudi counterpart, Prince Saud al-Faysal, the official SPA news agency reported.

Pakistan has decided to sent 5,000 troops to the kingdom in response to a Saudi call for Arab and Moslem assistance to bolster the kingdom's defenses against an attack by Iraqi troops occupying neighbouring Kuwait.

During a two-day visit to Amman, Mr. Yaqub Khan said the Gulf crisis by 2 of had created an "explosive situation" in the region.

He said Islamabad opposed the use of force in the Gulf but stressed that a settlement in the region required an Iraqi military withdrawal from Kuwait.

Mr. Yaqub Khan had talks in Amman with Jordan's King Hussein and Foreign Minister Marwan al-Kassem.

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#90235d7020 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN (AUG. 23) - West Germany imported 20.2 million tons of oil products in the first half of 1990, up 8.3 percent on imports of the corresponding period last year, authorities said Thursday.

The Federal Office of Statistics here said the import bill came to 6.2 billion Deutschmarks (4 billion dollars), up 8.8 percent n the import

costs of oil in the first half of 1989.

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#90235d7100 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (AUG. 23) - Taiwan's economic and financial authorities on Thursday announced a package to revitalize the island's stagnant economy by offering various investment incentives to local manufacturing industry.

The measures, aimed at lowering production costs, stimulating investment willingness and helping upgrade traditional and labor-intensive industries, were worked out at a meeting convened by Premier Hau Pei-tsun, said Yang Shih-chien, director of the Industrial Development Bureau.

Top officials from the Central Bank, the Economic Ministry, the Finance Ministry and the Council for Economic Planning and Development (CEPD) also joined the discussions, he said.

"It is high time we improved our economic structure to tide over the current slowdown in the country's economy," government spokesman Shaw Yu-ming quoted the premier as saying.

A declining stock market and fears of an imminent energy crisis following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait three weeks ago has led the authorities here to lower this year's economic growth target from a projected seven percent to 5.24 percent, the lowest since 1983.

Yang said growth in the manufacturing sector is expected to drop to two percent in 1990, compared to five percent last year.

Under the package unveiled Thursday, authorities here would provide easier access to banking loans and industrial land, further slash tariffs on mechanical equipment and offer tax incentives to manufacturers, he said.

Many listed enterprises delayed their expansion plans or cancelled investment projects after failing to collect funds from the once-booming local stock market, hit by capital depletion and a confidence crisis.

Rocketing oil prices spurred by the Gulf crisis further worsened the economy, which is experiencing weakening export competitiveness, lower industrial output and dwindling domestic investment.

The Taiwan stock market has been in the doldrums and lost 73 percent since it reached a record 12,495.34 points on February 10, and the Gulf crisis has sent the bourse into a tailspin.

The stock market plunged by 63.34 percent and 30.23 percent during the previous two energy crises.

The Central Bank injected 30 billion dollars (1.1 billion U.S.) into three leading state-run commercial banks Wednesday to provide easier financing to small- and medium-size companies and home-buyers.

But the bank said it would adhere to its current money-tightening policy to ease inflationary pressure in the wake of rising oil prices.

A recent survey showed that export-oriented manufacturers here expected a business downturn in the next five years, especially in textiles, ready-to-wear clothing, toys and shoes.

The island's 80,000 exporters, the backbone of Taiwan's once fast-growing economy, have been suffering from soaring wages, an acute labor shortage and appreciation of the local currency.

Many manufacturers, especially in export-oriented industries, were prompted to invest overseas, pushing the value of outbound investment projects up 260.58 percent in the first seven months of this year.

A feared recession in the United States -- the island's largest buyer with a 33.3 percent share of overall exports in the first seven months of 1990 -- would make the trade picture here much gloomier, analysts said.

On Wednesday, the CEPD approved a national construction plan designed to expand domestic demand and spur recreational and cultural activities in the next six years.

The six-year plan, which involves diversification of energy sources and expansion of public infrastructure, was aimed at stimulating industrial development, upgrading living standards and balancing development in different areas on the island.

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#90235d7160 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 23) - Two students and a passerby were killed when police fired on rioting students in the southwestern Pakistani city of Quetta Thursday.

Reports from the city said the students were trying to force their way into a government building to demand the release of their leader, Sajid Tareen, arrested last month for leading a rowdy protest against the vice chancellor of Balochistan University.

Meanwhile in Karachi, where marauders gunned down 27 people and wounded 60 others Wednesday, six persons were injured by sniper fire early Thursday. Army patrols deployed overnight arrested six persons.

In Islamabad, federal interior minister Zahid Sarfaraz announced that 16 suspects were being interrogated for Wednesday's massacre.

Sarfaraz said the government was anticipating trouble on the return of Altaf Hussain, leader of the ethnic Mohajir Qaumi Movement (Mqm), in the city Thursday but ''the unknown attackers'' struck a day earlier.

The Mqm and rival Sindhi nationalist groups have frequently fought bloody battles in Karachi and Hyderabad, last time in May and June when some 300 people were killed.

The Mqm's political allies have indirectly accused the Pakistan People's Party (Ppp) of deposed Premier Benazir Bhutto for the latest violence. The Pp has denied the allegations.

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#90235d7600 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONROVIA (AUG. 23) - Trapped in somebody else's war, 1,800 frightened Nigerians at their embassy's compound in Monrovia's combat zone gather round radio sets daily, desperately hoping for news of a chance to get out of Liberia.

Some have been living in and around the two buildings in the grounds for two months. The embassy, exposed on a promontory overlooking the ocean, is in territory controlled by the rebels of Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front (NPFL).

"Each day things get worse. We're short of everything and our lives are in danger," said Fatai Atino Oshun, one of the people who talked to a visiting Agence France-Presse correspondent on Wednesday.

Gunfire suddenly tore the air outside as he spoke and bullets whizzed past. Everybody dived for the ground then sought shelter behind walls or cars. Children were screaming.

At the bottom of the garden, under a small mound with a notice wishing him to Rest in Peace, lies A.D. Da Silva, 36, the first fatal casualty to a stray bullet. Four other people in the compound had gunshot wounds.

There have been a lot of stray bullets recently. For two weeks, the NPFL has been trying to capture the small James Spriggs Payne Airfield, the last military stronghold on the way to President Samuel Doe's executive mansion, four kilometres (two and a half miles) away.

Though the Nigerians here are keen to get out, those who spoke to AFP did not want the peacekeeping troops then gathered in Sierra Leone by the

Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)) to come into Monrovia.

"ECOWAS should take our fate into account," said one, Biodun Falola. "Why come to Monrovia when you could evacuate us to Ivory Coast or through Buchanan?"

Buchanan is Liberia's iron ore port, some 140 kilometres (87 miles) east of the capital and controlled since June 3 by Mr. Taylor's forces.

Nigeria has contributed the bulk of the five-nation ECOWAS force, which Mr. Taylor has vowed to fight to the last man. (Late Wednesday, the force set sail for Monrovia from Sierra Leone.)

A few hundred metres (yards) away from here, 60 Guinean nationals are trapped in their embassy compound. Mr. Taylor has had food delivered to them, as he last week got 49 bags of rice brought to the Nigerians.

There are also Guineans in the ECOWAS force.

The rebels have been given strict instructions not to enter the diplomatic territory.

"Despite that, they often come in, always armed. They took five cars away, but they have never harmed us or threatened us," said Benson Amoengho.

He soon proved his point.

"There's one over there, under the tree".

Indeed, a young rebel, loosely holding a Beretta machine-gun, was standing behind a car, talking to three Nigerians. There was no sign of ill-feeling.

But the threat hanging over this community is real enough. When Mr. Taylor heard that Nigerian troops and military equipment had boarded ship in Freetown, he was furious.

At an impromptu press conference late Tuesday, he warned that intervention by ECOWAS would be "a serious mistake. The price to pay for any Liberian killed by the ECOWAS force will be very high. Very, very high."

Wearing a green air force uniform and surrounded by armed guards in his Harbel camp, 60 kilometres (37 miles) north of here, Mr. Taylor added: "We'll fight to the last man. We don't consider (the ECOWAS troops)) to be a peacekeeping force," the rebel leader added.

Asked about the Nigerians and Guineans trapped here, he said: "Nobody will leave Liberia until the conflict is over."

"Remember what the Americans did with the Japanese living in the United States in World War II," Mr. Taylor added. "They put them in concentration camps!"

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#90235d7630 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 23) - The British hostages who were being held at a military site in Kuwait have been transferred to a civilian installation south of Kuwait City, the British Foreign Office said here Thursday.

"We understand they are being held at a location just south of Kuwait city", a spokesman said, adding that "as far as we know" no Britons were now being held at or near a military installation.

According to information received here from the British embassy in Kuwait, the transfer took place in the past 24 hours, the spokesman added.

The spokesman said six of the remaining 10 staff at the British embassy left Kuwait earlier Thursday in a special convoy for Baghdad.

The remaining four officials at the embassy were: ambassador Michael Weston, consul Larry Banks, Donald McCaulay, first secretary (commercial), and Brian McKeith, security officer.

"We intend to keep open in Kuwait as long as is physically and tactically possible" the British embassy, the spokesman said.

The Foreign Office also announced the appointment of Ian Blatley, formerly the second-ranking diplomat at the British embassy in Kuwait, to the British embassy in Jeddah.

Mr Blatley would have special responsability for maintaining contact with the Kuwaiti governement in exile.

The Foreign Office also disclosed that two of the 137 hostages originally thought to be British citizens were in fact of another nationality, but gave no further details.

The British authorities were aware of the identities of all 135 British hostages in Kuwait.

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#90235d7640 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 23) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, in an open letter later Thursday, will respond to repeated appeals from Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak for an Iraqi military withdrawal from Kuwait, the official

Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported.

INA told "our people and those of the Arab nation" to expect the message at 7.00 p.m. (1500 GMT). Previous statements by Mr. Hussein have been read on Iraq's state-run television and carried by the news agency INA.

On Tuesday Mr. Mubarak exhorted the Iraqi leader, whose troops invaded Kuwait August 2, to pull out to avoid a "destructive war" that would plunge the Arab world "into darkness and ruin."

Mr. Hussein has come under severe criticism in the Egyptian press while Mr. Mubarak has been pilloried by Iraqi dailies for being among the first to denounce the military operation.

Egypt has sent at least 3,000 troops to Saudi Arabia and is preparing to send more soldiers as part of an Arab force to shore up the kingdom's defenses against an Iraqi attack from neighbouring Kuwait.

INA also reported that Iraq on Thursday would broadcast a recording of the voice of Saudi King Fahd "proving that he was plotting against Iraq and the Arab nation."

The semi-official Al-Joumhouriya newspaper in Baghdad has meanwhile reaffirmed that Iraq would never reverse its decision to annexe Kuwait, saying the emirate was historically part of the Iraqi nation.

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#90235d7650 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) - Kuwait's ambassador to the United States vehemently attacked Jordan's King Hussein, accusing Jordan of collaborating with Iraq's President Saddam Hussein.

Sheikh Saud Nasir Al-Sabah charged at a news conference in Washington Wednesday that Jordan had offered to send pilots to Kuwait to fly Kuwaiti Airbuses loaded with loot to Iraq.

"The Iraqis don't have pilots so experienced in Airbuses and the Jordanians have volunteered to come and fly and take the loot out and take them to Baghdad," he said.

The sheikh's comments followed a news conference in Amman at which King Hussein said he was traveling to Baghdad as part of an attempt to find a solution to the crisis.

"I don't think that the credibility of His Majesty King Hussein is any longer of any value," Sheikh al-Sabah said.

The ambassador said it was evident that King Hussein was condoning the occupation of Kuwait and the taking of hostages by Iraq.

He alluded vaguely to a "regional conspiracy" between Iraq and Jordan, promising more details in the future.

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#90235d7690 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (AUG. 23) - Iran and Iraq on Thursday exchanged 3,000 prisoners of war, 1,500 from each country, to bring the total number of men repatriated since last Friday to 16,000, Teheran Radio announced here.

An additional 3,000 prisoners were expected to be exchanged later in the day, the radio said.

Iran on Wednesday said agreement had been reached with Iraq on the repatriation of 12,000 POWs a day, with half of them flown home and half travelling by road.

The exchange is part of a peace overture proposed a week ago by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, who also agreed to withdraw his troops from Iranian territory seized in the Gulf war and to accept Teheran's terms on the disputed Shatt al-Arab waterway.

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#90235d7710 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 23) - Two miners were killed when they were struck by falling rocks while working underground at President Brand gold mine near the Orange Free State town of Welkom, mine owners Anglo American said Thursday.

In a statement, the mining giant said the accident took place on Wednesday during lashing operations some 2,039 metres (yards) below surface.

A third miner, who was injured in the rockfall, was hospitalized, the statement said.

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#90235d7740 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (AUG. 23) - A Romanian court has decided to provisionally release Nicu Ceausescu, youngest son of former Romanian dictator Nicolai Ceausescu because of poor health, his lawyer said Thursday.

Paula Iacob said by telephone from Sibiu that the decision followed medical evidence presented to the court Tuesday that Mr. Ceausescu, 38, was

suffering from cirrhosis of the liver and other extremely serious illnesses.

At the request of the prosecution, the court will consider a second medical opinion Friday.

Mr. Ceausescu, the former communist party chief in Sibiu, central Romania, allegedly gave orders for the crushing of anti-communist demonstrations in the town last December in which 89 people were killed and 200 injured. He has denied complicity in genocide and illegal possession of arms.

The charges carry a maximum penalty of life imprisonment, the death sentence having been abolished in December last year after the execution of Nicolai and Elena Ceausescu.

Meanwhile the Ceausescus' other children Velentin and Zoia, accused of "undermined the national economy" were released from prison last week, after the court decided they were no longer a threat to public order.

Zoia's husband, academic Ioan-Mircea Oprean, and Nicu's ex-wife Poliana Cristescu, facing the same charge, were also freed.

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#90235d7800 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (AUG. 23) - Denmark's biggest financial group, Den Danske Bank reported here Thursday a 50 percent cut in pre-tax profits for the first half-year of 1990, following its January 1 merger with two other banks.

First half-year profits were 372 million crowns (62 million dollars), down from a corresponding 715 million crowns (119 million dollars) last year.

Den Danske Bank merged with Handelsbanken and Provinsbanken at the beginning of the year.

Bank director Knud Soerensen said the result was "satisfying", and that the merger was beginning to "bear fruit" through lower costs and higher operating profits.

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#90235d7810 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (AUG. 23) - Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmad al-Sabah met here Thursday with Iranian President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani and said he regretted Kuwait's previous hostility toward Iran, Teheran Radio reported.

Sheikh Sabah, who arrived here overnight Wednesday, delivered a message to

Mr. Rafsanjani from the exiled emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, the radio added.

Kuwait and Iran had been sharply at odds during the eight-year Gulf war, during which Kuwait was an important political and financial backer of Iraq.

But Iran has condemned Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and Sheikh Sabah,

according to the radio, said he "regretted previous positions taken by his country against the Islamic Republic."

He noted in particular resolutions hostile to Teheran taken by information ministers from the Gulf Cooperation Council.

"These resolutions were adopted under the evil influence of Iraq," Sheikh Sabah said in remarks quoted by the radio.

Despite Iran's official rejection of the Iraqi invasion, Sheikh Sabah's visit here drew sharp criticism from Islamic hardliners in parliament.

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#90235d7870 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 23) - Britain is to send additional forces to the Gulf, Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said Thursday after a Cabinet meeting.

Britain already has two squadrons of Tornado F-3 and Jaguar fighter planes as well as a destroyer and two frigates in the region.

Defense Secretary Tom King was to give details of the reinforcement at a news conference later.

Mr. Hurd made the announcement during an interview on U.S. television.

In other developments, the foreign office said all Britons held hostage in Kuwait had been placed at civilian installations south of the Kuwaiti capital.

They number 135, according to latest figures.

The foreign office believed Britons earlier held at a military installation had been transferred out during the previous 24 hours, a spokesman said.

On Wednesday the foreign office said 137 Britons had been seized in Kuwait and indicated 21 had been taken to military facilities.

However it was now known that two of the 137 were not British, the

spokesman said, without identifying their nationality.

The government earlier repeated it would keep the British Embassy in Kuwait open as long as it was "physically and tactically possible".

Iraq has said embassies in Kuwait must close by Friday and their staff move to Baghdad or risk losing their diplomatic immunity.

Six of the 10 remaining British Embassy staff left Kuwait city for Baghdad in a convoy early Thursday, the spokesman added.

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#90235d8110 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) - Oil production in Alaska is to be raised by some 200,000 barrels to nearly 2 million barrels per day to help the U.S. cope with Gulf crisis, according to reports here Thursday.

The reports based on information from the oil market sources, said Washington was pushing such companies as British Petroleum, Atlantic Richfield and other firms to use special methods in order to increase their output as quickly as possible.

Washington hopes that the 200,000 barrels per day increase can be achieved by the end of the year, the reports said.

Alaska currently accounts for one-fourth of total U.S. oil production.

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#90235d8180 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 23) - The Bundesbank decided Thursday at its first regular meeting after the summer break not to alter its monetary policy, a spokesman for the West German central bank said.

The West German discount rate remains at six percent and the Lombard rate at eight percent, their levels since Oct. 6.

The meeting had begun Wednesday instead of Thursday as originally planned because of a particularly heavy agenda for the first session following the holiday break.

An informed source said the meeting was particularly focussed on two matters, the future organization of the Bundesbank in a reunified Germany and European Economic Community proposals for a European central bank.

The East German parliament approved overnight Oct. 3 as the date for German unification.

The Bundesbank has been responsible for East German monetary policy since German monetary and economic union took effect July 1, making the Deutsche mark the official currency on both sides of the border.

But there is as yet no East German representation on the Bundesbank board, although each of the West German regions, or Lands, is represented.

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#90235d8280 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (AUG. 23) - After an unexplained delay of 17 hours, the 3,000-strong ECOWAS peace keeping force for Liberia finally sailed off at midday Thursday for Monrovia, eyewitnesses said.

The contigent left from two points in the city. The main bulk of the troops went on board the Ghanaian merchant ship, MV Tano River, while the tanks and other military arsenal were loaded onto the Nigerian naval vessel, NNS Ambe at a little used port in central Freetown.

The MV Tano River is expected to return to Freetown in two day's time to pick up a number of back up military equipment and vehicles.

ECOWAS officials in Freetown have still not explained what postponed the departure which was scheduled for Wednesday night.

It was an apparent embarrassment to both the military and the Sierra Leone government officials particularly when the State run radio had announced the troops departure on Wednesday night as headline news.

The radio report of the ceremony quoted President Momoh as saying: "Your role is to keep the peace in Liberia. You must be positively neutral and refrain from taking sides."

The radio also reported the commander of the ECOWAS peace keeping forces as saying: "We are ready now and within 30 minutes we shall be leaving for Monrovia."

As the contigent departed, flanked by a carrier, a Ghanaian and Nigerian frigates and a tanker, dockworkers sang solidarity songs and siren blasts sounded from the crowded harbour.

The ECOWAS peace-keeping force has been assembled to enforce a ceasefire in the bloody civil war which has wracked Liberia since December with two rival rebel groups vying to oust President Samuel Doe.

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#90235d8290 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 23) - Soviet and Estonian officials on Thursday began "official negotiations" on relations between Moscow and the Baltic Soviet republic, the Tass news agency reported.

The head of the Soviet delegation is Nikolai Gritsenko, chairman of the Soviet parliamentary commission on labour, prices and social policy, and the Estonian delegation is headed by vice-president of the Estonian parliament Yulo Nugis.

The two delegations have agreed on "a wide range of issues to be discussed " Tass said.

On August 7, the Estonian parliament announced that the incorporation of the Baltic republic into the Soviet Union in 1940 was invalid. Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev immediately called the move "unconstitutional."

Tass said the two delegations will meet once a week through September and October in the aim of submitting a final report to the Soviet Presidential Council, which advises Mr. Gorbachev.

Estonian Prime Minister Edgar Savisaar said Wednesday in the Danish capital Copenhagen that the Estonian delegation would begin "discussions, not negotiations" with Moscow in order to "determine the legal status" of Estonia and its relations with Moscow.

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#90235d8400 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 23) - The British government said Thursday it would be privatizing major electricity producer PowerGen through a stock market listing, while conglomerate Hanson said it was abandoning plans to put in a bid.

"I understand the Secretary of State for Energy plans to sell PowerGen by public flotation. We have no wish to compete with this," Hanson chairman Lord Hanson said in a brief statement.

The government had previously said it was holding talks with British conglomerate Hanson on the possibility of its making a bid for PowerGen, one of two major power companies due for privatisation next year which accounts for 30 percent of the market.

Hanson was to place its bid by Friday, after which the government said it would put PowerGen out to international tender.

News of the talks with Hanson had aroused controversy here, particularly as previous privatizations carried out by the conservative government have

been undertaken through stock market listing.

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#90235d8550 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN (AUG. 23) - President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani Thursday accused the United States of exploiting Iraq's invasion of Kuwait to deploy troops in the Gulf, the Iranian news agency IRNA reported.

"The Americans, always on the lookout for an opportunity to increase their intrusions in this sensitive part of the world, pounced upon and dispatched military forces here," the president said.

In talks with Algeria's deputy speaker of parliament, Abdulaziz Bel Khadim,

Mr. Rafsanjani said Iraq "made a big blunder and global arrogance is exploiting that mistake," using the Iranian term to designate the United States.

Iran has condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2 but also criticized the U.S. military intervention in the region.

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#90235d8610 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RABAT (AUG. 23) - A I7-year territorial dispute between Chad and Libya which sparked two rounds of fighting in the I980s looked set Thursday to go before the International Court of Justice in The Hague, despite a last-minute mini-summit arranged by Morocco.

Informed sources said Libyan leader Moamer Kadhafi and Chad's President Hissein Habre spent more than two hours together with King Hassan on Wednesday stating their views on the Aouzou Strip in northernmost Chad which Libya occupied in I973.

They also discussed the plight of between I,000 and 2,000 Libyans and 258 Chadians taken prisoner in the wars of 1983 and 1986-87.

An authoritative Chadian source said the Libyans were ''refusing as always to hear any talk of evacuating their troops'' from the reputedly mineral-rich Strip, claiming it as an integral part of their national territory.

The two countries' foreign ministers met Thursday ''to continue the dialogue where the two heads of state left off'', sources close to the delegations said,

and it was confirmed that Colonel Kadhafi and Mr. Habre would have another

session.

But given the Libyan attitude, the Chadian source said, ''all that is left is for us to go to The Hague''.

Such a move is laid down in a framework agreement signed in Algiers a year ago, giving the disputants until the end of this month to find a political settlement.

Libya, previously hostile to involving the court, appeared to have changed its mind following Moroccan intervention to get a negotiated and peaceful solution, the source said.

If they agreed to submit to the court's verdict, King Hassan apparently was ready to guarantee simultaneous release of the prisoners of war so that the issue would not have to go before the court, the senior Chadian source said.

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#90235d8620 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 23) - The republic of Armenia Thursday adopted a declaration of sovereignty, the 12th Soviet republic to do so, the Tass and Interfax news agencies reported here.

The Armenian parliament voted for what it termed a declaration "independence," giving Armenian authorities the autonomy to direct the republic's internal and external relations.

Armenia has no plans to secede from the Soviet Union, however, Tass said.

According to the declaration, Armenia will change its name from the Soviet Socialist Republic of Armenia to simply the "Republic of Armenia," Tass said.

Armenia, which became a Soviet republic in 1920, has a population of about 3.5 million of which 90 per cent is ethnic Armenian.

Armenian parliamentary speaker Levon Ter-Petrossian said that now that Armenia was independent it would be able to establish its "relations with the world", including other Soviet republics, Interfax said.

The declaration gives priority to Armenian laws over those of the union and allows for the setting up of an Armenian defence force, foreign embassies and a republican currency.

The declaration also calls for multi-party elections, freedom of speech, of the press and of conscience, as well as the division of powers between the

executive, legislative, and judicial branches of government.

The declaration will form the basis of a new Armenian constitution and new laws, Tass said.

It also refers to the "inalienable right" of Armenia to unite with the autonomous region of Nagorny Karabakh, which is under Azerbaijani rule but where 76 per cent of the 200,000 population are ethnic Armenians.

Armenia's demands that the Nagorny Karabakh region be attached to Armenia have led to violent clashes between Armenians and Azerbaijanis.

The Armenian sovereignty declaration states that, besides residents of Armenia, the Armenian "diaspora" elsewhere in the Soviet Union and in foreign countries have the right to Armenian citizenship.

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#90235d8740 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 23) - Japanese beverages group Suntory bought a further two percent stake in British food group Allied Lyons on Thursday for 85 million pounds (165 million dollars), increasing its total holding to almost five percent, Allied Lyons announced on Thursday.

Suntory bought about 19 million ordinary shares at 446 pence per share. It already had almost three percent of AL shares, obtained in October 1988 at the time of conclusion of a joint venture for distribution of Allied Lyons products in Japan.

The British group welcomed the news, adding that no new increase in the Suntory stake was expected.

Allied Lyons president Sir Derrick Holden-Brown said the agreement between the two groups had made a marked increase possible in Japan of sales of spirits bearing the Ballantine, Courvoisier and Canadian Club labels.

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#90235d8750 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (AUG. 23) - A Sikh politician was among 15 people killed in continuing Sikh separatist violence in India's troubled Punjab state, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported Thursday.

Suspected Sikh militants shot dead Mohinder Singh of the influential Sikh Akali Dal party early Thursday at a village in Kapurthala district, police were quoted as saying. No further details were available.

Mr. Mohinder Singh was the father of a Sikh separatist shot dead by

security forces two years ago.

All other killings occurred overnight Wednesday.

Security forces shot dead three Sikh separatists in as many places in Punjab, while militants campaigning for a Sikh homeland in the northern state killed a policeman and 10 civilians elsewhere, PTI said.

The policeman, a Sikh constable attached to Punjab's intelligence wing, was killed at his home along with his two sons in Hoshiarpur district.

Security forces also seized for the first time an anti-tank mine from an arrested Sikh militant, who was also carrying an AK-47 rifle and 10 detonators,
 police said.

At least 1,524 people have died so far this year in the bloody Sikh militant campaign for a homeland in Punjab.

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#90235d8820 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (AUG. 23) - Elders IXL Ltd.'s shares Thursday fell to a post-crash low of 1.46 Australian dollars amid fears about the debt level of majority owner Harlin Holdings Pty. Ltd., brokers said.

The value of the shares in the diversified brewing, agricultural and industrial giant have fallen to less than half their value since Elders came under a complex takeover bid 12 months ago by Harlin, a company controlled by Elders executives.

That takeover led to Harlin gaining 56 percent of Elders while holding an estimated 1.3 billion dollar debt (1.06 billion U.S.).

Brokers said that fears about Harlin's debt levels had eroded the share price of Elders.

The lower share price could trigger breaches of loan agreements with Harlin's main lenders, they said.

Elders shares slid amid general falls on the Australian sharemarket as fears grew that the Gulf crisis would develop into a full-scale war.

The main market indicator, the all ordinaries index, shed 36.9 points or 2.5 percent to 1493.6, brokers said.

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#90235d9000 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (AUG. 23) - Cheung Kong Holdings Ltd. and Hutchison Whampoa Ltd., the locally listed key performers of Hong Kong tycoon Li Ka-shing's business network, reported hikes in their interim profits on Thursday.

Cheung Kong, which owns 39.6 percent of Hutchison, said its after-tax profits rose a marginal 0.4 percent from a year earlier to 948 million Hong Kong dollars (121.5 million U.S.) in the six months through June.

The profit came on top of an extraordinary gain of 157 million dollars (20 million U.S.) for Cheung Kong.

During the same period, conglomerate Hutchison's profits surged 16 percent to 1.12 billion Hong Kong dollars (144 million U.S.), excluding an extraordinary income of 368 million dollars (47 million U.S.).

Cheung Kong's board declared an interim dividend of 12 cents (1.5 cents U.S.) a share. Hutchison's was made at 18 cents (2.3 cents U.S.).

Cheung Kong is the Li Ka-shing flagship company, whose activities focus on local property development. Hutchison's interests range from telecommunications and energy to property and hotels, as well as retailing and container terminal operations.

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#90235d9010 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 23) - Malaysia aims to improve its expanding cocoa exports by introducing mandatory grading and quality controls, officials of the Malaysian Cocoa Board (MCB) said Thursday.

Awang Othman Gamok, head of the MCB's enforcement, licensing and grading division, said the board had drafted regulations aimed at upgrading and standardising exports for approval by the Primary Industries Ministry.

"We hope to enforce the regulations by January 1 next year if they are approved by the minister," he said.

Malaysia is expected to produce some 250,000 tons of cocoa beans between September 1989 and October this year, according to the Federal Agricultural Marketing Authority (FAMA).

Malaysia accounts for between 10 percent and 11 percent of world cocoa output behind the Ivory Coast, Brazil and Ghana.

Exports of cocoa beans and cocoa products were worth some 808 million dollars (300 million U.S.) in 1988.

Industry officials said that 60 percent of Malaysian production comes from the eastern state of Sabah, where an industry-run council grades exports but has no authority to enforce standards.

"The different standards used and varying levels of enforcement has led to local cocoa being classified as acidic while some importers claim that Malaysian beans lack chocolate flavour," Mr. Othman said.

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#90235d9020 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 23) - Oil futures on the Singapore International Monetary Exchange (SIMEX) closed at an all-time high Thursday as fears of a worsening situation in the Gulf gripped the market.

Dealers said Higher Sulphur Fuel Oil (HSFO) for September closed at 176.50

U.S. dollars a ton, 18.00 U.S. dollars above the previous highest level of 158.50 U.S. dollars set Wednesday. A total of 1,100 lots were traded.

The October price was fixed at 166.00 U.S. dollars a ton, the same level as Wednesday.

The price for Dubai crude also shot up sharply to 30.50 U.S. dollars per barrel, an increase of 3.40 U.S. dollars a barrel from the previous high of 27.10 U.S. dollars, also set Wednesday.

Prices on the rubber market also rose sharply in Singapore following news that the U.S. defence industries were making purchases on the New York rubber market.

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#90235d9070 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (AUG. 23) - Two Kenyans, implicated in an attempt to smuggle 20 million shillings (105,260 U.S. dollars) worth of copper bars last Sunday, appeared before court here Thursday charged with economic sabotage.

The two -- Mohamed Ally Omar (40) and Mohamed Abdallah (39), residents of Kenyan Indian Ocean port of Mombasa -- were accused of conspiring with 12 Zanzibaris and two Dar es Salaam residents to ship 240 bars of copper out of Tanzania to a "neighbouring country". The plot was foiled when marine police intercepted two boats laden with the minerals outside the Dar es Salaam port.

The copper was believed to belong either to Zambia or Zaire, as these are the only two countries using the Tanzanian Indian Ocean port for such

mineral export.

The prosecutor, police inspector Philip Mgandila, opposed bail for the 17 accused, saying the case fell under the Tanzanian Economic Sabotage and Organised Crimes Act of 1984. Such cases are normally heard by a panel of high court judges and carry a mandatory jail term without an option for a fine.

The case will come up for mention again on September 5.

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#90235d9090 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, Australia (AUG. 23) - Booming diamond and gold sales boosted Ashton Mining Ltd.'s net earnings by 261 percent to 17.2 million Australian dollars (14.1 million U.S.) for the six months to June 30, the company said Thursday.

Ashton, which holds a 40.2 percent stake in the Argyle diamond mine in Western Australia, said the result compared well with the 6.6 million dollar (5.4 million U.S.) profit recorded in the previous corresponding period.

Diamond sales in the half year jumped 28 percent to 83 million dollars (68 million U.S.), it said.

Gold revenue soared 73 percent to 24.6 million dollars (20.1 million U.S.).

"This is an excellent result compared with the previous period," a company spokesman said. "It is a continuation of the good business of the previous year."

Ashton's results are normally heavily weighted into the second half as diamond lots are valued, assessed and sold.

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#90235d9140 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (AUG. 23) - Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi leaves here Friday for a two-day official visit to Botswana, the official Kenyan News Agency (KNA) reported Thursday.

During his stay in Botswana, Mr. Moi will attend the 10th anniversary celebrations of the Southern Africa Development Consultative Conference (SADCC), KNA said.

The Kenyan president is to address a rally at Botswana national stadium to kick off the celebrations, it added.

Mr. Moi, in his capacity as chairman of the 19-nation Preferential Trade Area (PTA), will also attend the SADCC heads of state summit, KNA said.

Expected at the summit, apart from host President Quett Masire of Botswana, will be presidents Sam Nujoma of Namibia, Joachim Chissano of Mozambique, Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe, Kenneth Kaunda of Zambia and Ali Hassan Mwinyi of Tanzania, as well as King Mswati of Swaziland.

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#90235d9340 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 23) - The Singapore government Thursday banned all Iraqi ships and those flying the Iraqi flag from entering Singapore waters, the Port of Singapore Authority (Psa) said.

A psa statement said the ban would take effect from Friday in condemnation of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. ''The government's decision is to comply with the United Nation's resolution on sanctions against Iraq,'' it said.

The statement also ''advised Iraqi ships to comply with the prohibition.'' Singapore is the world's busiest shipping port tonnage-wise, and is also the world's largest container shipping centre.

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#90235d9920 08/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 23) (AFP) - The Franco-British consortium Eurotunnel looked likely to miss an end-of-the-week deadline to raise an extra two billion pounds (3.94 billion dollars) credit for the Channel tunnel project, financial analysts here predicted Thursday.

Together with a proposed 500 million pound (950 million dollar) rights issue in October, the credit is needed to meet the tunnel's soaring construction costs, which have risen from an original 4.87 billion pounds (9.4 billion dollars) to 7.5 billion pounds (14.5 billion dollars).

While excavation work was progressing both sides of the Channel, City financial sources said the beleaguered group still needed to raise 700 million pounds (1.35 billion dollars) by the end of the week. Some 93 banks which refused to lend money earlier in the year had yet to respond to Eurotunnel's loan requests.

Failure to secure the two billion pounds could jeopardize the consortium's chances of raising 500 million pounds (950 million dollars) capital in October, which the group wants to achieve ahead of electricity privatisation in November.

"If they want to make a rights issue, it has to be before the electricity board floating," one financier said.

Financial sources said after initially holding back because of British reluctance to use public money for a rail link with London, the Japanese banks had eventually agreed to lend some money.

In response to British press criticism of the Japanese reluctance to lend, one banker said: "If Japanese banks agree to give more money, the problem won't be solved."

He blamed European, especially French, banks for failing to make a bigger commitment to the project earlier on.

The four principal banks involved in the project, National Westminster, Midland, Credit Lyonnais and BNP, have been criticised for refusing to make up the credit shortfall themselves.

One analyst said: "if they don't put the money in, nobody else is going to do it for them."

A further blow to the tunnel project comes from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, which has put finance from two Kuwaiti consortium members out of reach, a source said.

Eurotunnel obtained extra loans worth one billion pounds in 198687, 250 million pounds in the last quarter of 1986 from institutional investors, and 770 million pounds from sale of shares.

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#90235e0015 08/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PALMA DE MALLORCA, SPAIN (AUG 23) EFE - Civil guards on the Spanish holiday island of Majorca have arrested two Germans who allegedly used their pizza restaurant as a front for a prostitution racket, officials said Thursday.

According to a Civil Guard spokesman, the men, who were identified only by their first names, forced waitresses working at their restaurant to have sex with prominent local businessmen at an apartment in the resort of Cala Ratjada.

They then used video recordings of the encounters to blackmail the men.

According to the spokesman, the waitresses were beaten if they refused to act as prostitutes.

The racket was discovered after a 20-year-old girl denounced the German

men to police. She is currently in hospital on the Spanish mainland recovering from a severe beating.

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#90235e0026 08/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) EFE - A 19-year-old U.S. sailor has died after being electrocuted on-board a warship in the Persian Gulf, bringing to two the number of U.S. servicemen killed in accidents since Washington sent its forces to the crisis-torn region, officials said.

A Navy spokesman said Wednesday that sailor Daniel Jones was electrocuted by his ship's air conditioning system while he was carrying out maintenance work.

The first U.S. soldier to die in the Gulf was 30-year-old Sgt. John Campisi, who was run over by a military truck in Saudi Arabia.

Washington sent forces to the Persian Gulf after Iraqi invaded and annexed its tiny Gulf neighbor Kuwait at the beginning of August.

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#90235e0028 08/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

HUANCAYO, PERU (AUG. 23) EFE - Two Mormon missionaries have been shot dead by Peruvian terrorists, who left a card on the bodies saying +Yankees Go Home+, police said Thursday.

Police said an unknown number of Maoist +Shining Path+ rebels killed the two Mormons Wednesday night in Huancayo, the capital of Junin department, some 200 km east of Lima.

The card left on their bodies said, "Fight For The War of the People. Yankees Go Home. Long Live the People's War," and was signed Peru's Communist Party, the official name of the Shining Path.

Police said the two murdered 21-year-old men and other members of the Mormon group in Huancayo had received death threats.

"Yankees go home" is thought to refer to the U.S. origin of the sect founded by Brigham Young and headquartered in the state of Utah.

The names and nationalities of the murdered missionaries were not immediately availible.

Police said two other murders in Junin department Wednesday had been attributed to the Shining Path, as well as a murder Tuesday of a local community director in the district of Chupaca, also in Junin.

Meanwhile, authorities said 12 members of a Shining Path support group died in a clash Tuesday with a military patrol in a northern mountainous area of Lima department.

Political violence in Peru has claimed more than 20,000 lives and material losses of over 18 billion dollars, since the Shining Path took up arms in 1980, according to a government study of violence in the country.

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#90235e0030 08/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 23) EFE - Eleven Soviet policemen and a civilian have been injured in clashes with an angry mob outside a liquor store that refused to open, while in Leningrad anxious smokers rebelled when a tobacconist's closed before they could stock up, Soviet media reported Thursday.

The Soviet news agency TASS said the 12 were injured Wednesday when a riot broke out after the largest liquor store in Chelyabinsk, 1,250 km east of Moscow, refused to open its doors to hundreds of potential customers until police arrived.

Meanwhile, Moscow Radio's Interfax news service reported that that disturbances broke out Wednesday in Leningrad, 500 km northwest of the capital, when a city tobacco store brought down its shutters leaving dozens of smokers unserved.

Also Wednesday angry smokers blocked traffic in front of Moscow's city hall for hours after a promised shipment of cigarettes failed to arrive at a tobacconist's.

Shortages of alcoholic drinks have been widespread throughout the Soviet Union in recent months despite the Kremlin's relaxation of a five-year-old anti-alcohol campaign.

Tobacco has also been rationed because of a shortfall in supplies and has led to a series of +smokers' revolts+ in recent weeks.

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#90235e0037 08/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SANTIAGO (AUG 23) EFE - Four right-wing political activists were injured and buildings seriously damaged in Santiago in a series of bomb blasts on the eve of former dictator Gen. Augusto Pinochet's 17th anniversary as chief of the Chilean Army, police reported Thursday.

The four, members of the right-wing National Renovation Party, were injured Wednesday night when a bomb exploded at the party's headquarters.

Police blamed the ultra-left Manuel Rodriguez Patriotic Front (FPMR) for planting the bombs after leaflets were found in the area with a message reading, "Commander Roberto Nordenflycht, you gave your life for the people and your fist is an example of the fight for our people. FPMR."

An FPMR leader, Nordenflycht was killed in an attack on a military airport on August 21, 1989 in which an army officer also died.

Two of the four PARENA activists injured -- both women -- were said to be in a serious condition.

Elsewhere, police said a second bomb badly damaged a Mormon church in the residential district of Nunoa while a third blast was reported at Puente Alto, 20 km south of Santiago.

Police experts also deactivated a bomb planted at the foot of a statue to Osvaldo Hiriart, a former interior minister whose daughter married Pinochet.

Pinochet was appointed Army commander-in-chief August 23, 1973, just 19 days before he led the military coup which toppled Marxist President Salvador Allende in 1973.

He still remains head of the Armed Forces although he stepped down from the presidency earlier this year after Patricio Aylwin was voted in in the country's first free elections since the coup.

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#90235e0038 08/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ALGECIRAS, Spain (AUG. 23) EFE - Spanish Civil Guards said Thursday they had seized 201 kg of hashish worth around dlrs 1.3 million which was being smuggled into southern Spain.

Some 191 kg was found hidden in a high-speed inflatable launch at Tarifa, some 520 km south of Madrid, while the remainder was uncovered by customs officers in a car driven by a Moroccan at the nearby port of Algeciras.

The Civil Guard also said they had seized 21,000 packets of cigarettes, smuggled in from the British colony of Gibraltar, in a series of swoops.

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#90235h0113 08/23/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 23) XINHUA - LEADER OF THE ANTI-GOVERNMENT NATIONAL PATRIOTIC FRONT OF LIBERIA (NPFL) CHARLES TAYLOR HAS THREATENED TO KILL A NIGERIAN AND A GHANAIAN FOR EVERY LIBERIAN BLOOD LOST, IF THE 3000-STRONG

MONITORING GROUP OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES (ECOMOG) MOVES INTO LIBERIA TO ENFORCE A CEASEFIRE IN THE EIGHT-MONTH-OLD WAR IN THE COUNTRY.

TAYLOR ISSUED THE WARNING AS ANOTHER BATCH OF NIGERIAN SOLDIERS LEFT THE LAGOS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT WEDNESDAY FOR LIBERIA VIA FREETOWN TO JOIN THE MONITORING GROUP.

HIS THREAT IS ALSO A RESPONSE TO AN ANNOUNCEMENT ISSUED IN BANJUL THAT THE ECOMOG WOULD MOVE INTO LIBERIA IN DEFIANCE OF TAYLORS OPPOSITION TO THE MOVE.

TAYLOR SAID THAT THERE IS NO WAY THAT THE ECOMOG COULD BE NEUTRAL SINCE HE IS CONVINCED THAT NIGERIA AND GHANA HAVE PARTICULARLY BEEN BACKING EMBATTLED LIBERIAN PRESIDENT SAMUEL DOE.

HE CLAIMED THAT HE HAS OVER 10,000 ARMED MEN WHO ARE FULLY PREPARED TO FIGHT "ANY INTERVENTION FORCE" IN LIBERIA.

MEANWHILE, ANOTHER REPORT FROM BANJUL SAID THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NPFL HAVE BEEN NEGOTIATING WITH THE ECOWAS MEDIATION COMMITTEE HEADED BY GAMBIAN PRESIDENT DAUDA JAWARA. MILITARY SOURCES IN BANJUL SAID THAT THE COMMITTEE'S DISCUSSION WITH THE NPFL IS AIMED AT SEEKING A CEASEFIRE BETWEEN ALL THE WARRING FACTIONS IN LIBERIA BEFORE THE ECOMOG MOVES IN. UNDER AN ORI- GINAL PLAN, THE ECOMOG SHOULD ENTER LIBERIA EARLY THIS WEEK.

IT WAS REPORTED THAT NPFL REPRESENTATIVES HAVE NOW AGREED TO ALLOW THE ECOWAS TO SEND A CIVILIAN GROUP TO DEMARCATE A CEASE- FIRE LINE IN LIBERIA INSTEAD OF A POWERFUL MILITARY FORCE. THE NPFL HAS PROPOSED A CEASEFIRE FOR AN INITIAL PERIOD OF 10 DAYS, WHICH COULD BE RENEWED.

IN RESPONSE, THE ECOWAS MEDIATION COMMITTEE HAS PROPOSED THAT A JOINT MILITARY AND CIVILIAN GROUP ENTER LIBERIA TO ENSURE PEACE AND ORGANISE ELECTIONS WITHIN ONE YEAR. HOWEVER, THIS WAS PROMPTLY REJECTED BY THE NPFL AS THE TALKS IN BANJUL WENT ON.

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#90235h0114 08/23/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (AUG. 23) XINHUA - DEPUTY PRESIDENT OF THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC) MR. NELSON MANDELA IS TO PAY BRIEF FOLLOW-UP VISITS NEXT WEEK TO LIBYA AND ALGERIA.

DURING THE VISITS, HE WILL MEET WITH LIBYAN LEADER MUAMMAR GADDAFI AND ALGERIAN PRESIDENT CHADLI BENJEDID, "THE STAR" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA SAID TODAY.

MANDELA VISITED THE TWO COUNTRIES IN MAY AS PART OF HIS TWO- WEEK AFRICAN

TOUR.

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#90235h0120 08/23/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
ISLAMABAD (AUG. 23) XINHUA - IN KARACHI A GROUP OF UNIDENTIFIED SNIPERS WEDNESDAY MORNING SHOT DEAD AT LEAST 27 PERSONS WHO WERE ATTENDING A RECEPTION AND ABOUT 61 BUSES HAVE BEEN HIJACKED, ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING HERE FROM KARACHI THIS AFTERNOON.

THE PAKISTANI FEDERAL INTERIOR MINISTER MIAN ZAHID SARKRAZ INFORMED THE SENATE TODAY THAT 16 SUSPECTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE WEDNESDAY SNIPING INCIDENTS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED AND THE INTERROGATION IS UNDER WAY.

THE REPORTS FROM KARACHI QUOTED THE KARACHI TRANSPORT CORPORATION (KTC) SOURCES AS SAYING THAT AS A RESULT OF THE HIJACKING OF ITS BUSES, THE OPERATION WAS SERIOUSLY AFFECTED AND THE KTC SERVICE HAD ALMOST COME TO A STANDSTILL ACROSS THE CITY.

ALL-OUT EFFORTS ARE BEING MADE TO RESTORE OPERATIONS, THE SOURCES NOTED WITHOUT GIVING DETAILS OF THE HIJACKING OF ITS BUSES.

MEANWHILE, ONE PERSON WAS ALSO KILLED AND SIX OTHERS WERE INJURED IN KARACHI THIS AFTERNOON WHEN SOME SNIPERS OPENED FIRE AT PEOPLE WHO WERE ATTENDING A RALLY OUTSIDE A BUILDING, ANOTHER INFORMED SOURCE SAID.

KARACHI, WITH A POPULATION OF MORE THAN 7 MILLION, IS THE LARGEST CITY OF PAKISTAN. CLASHES BETWEEN THE OLD AND NEW SINDHISTS OR BETWEEN THE VARIOUS ETHNIC GROUPS ARE FREQUENT IN THE CITY.

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#90235j0001 08/23/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)
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Nightline (ABC) August 22, 1990 (Transcript #2413)

Jordan Closes Its Iraqi Border: Jordan closes its border with Iraq in order to stem an overwhelming tide of mostly Egyptian refugees. Although being pressured to follow U.N. sanctions against Iraq, most of Jordan's exports and oil are traded with Iraq, and cutting these would create

serious economic problems. George Hawatmeh (Jordan Times), Fayed Fanek (Jordan Economic Monitor), and Barry Rubin (Johns Hopkins University) debate how King Hussein will handle this situation.

South Africa Now (PBS) August 22, 1990 (Transcript #24)

The death toll has risen to over 270 in a week of violence just outside the Johannesburg area; Los Angeles-based Security Pacific Corporation announced its withdrawal from marketing stock in South African gold and diamond companies; in Angola, military activity by CIA-backed UNITA rebels have reportedly escalated; Avenue magazine has run a slick advertising supplement for South African Airways, even though the airline cannot land in the U.S. due to sanctions; a background report on the origins and lifestyle of the homelands; a profile of photographer David Lurie, whose subjects are South Africa's black laborers.

Larry King Live (CNN) August 22, 1990 (Transcript #113)

Bush Sends Reserves / Escape from Kuwait: Undersecretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz, Sen. Alfonse D'Amato (R-NY), and former Secretary of the Navy John Lehman discuss George Bush's recent decisions in the Persian Gulf crisis, explaining Bush's strategies and possible options in dealing with Saddam Hussein. Stephanie McGehee describes the devastation she witnessed when she escaped from Kuwait, where she had worked as a photographer for 13 years.

Crossfire (CNN) August 22, 1990 (Transcript #123)

George Bush's Working Vacation: A discussion of Geroge Bush's decision to handle the Persian Gulf crisis from his vacation spot in Kennebunkport with Chris Matthews (San Francisco Examiner), Arnaud de Borchgrave (Editor-in-Chief, Washington Times), and Craig Fuller (former V.P. Bush Chief of Staff).

Moneyline (CNN) August 22, 1990 (Transcript #167)

Companies look to synthetic fuels as a way to lessen dependence on the Persian Gulf; thousands of Americans have gone into hiding in Iraq and Kuwait; plans to fix America's decaying transportation systems are quite likely to be put on hold as available money is put towards more immediate problems; the Middle East crisis may cause airline companies to halt the replacement of the world's aging air fleet; Tokyo Stock Exchange share prices suffer their ninth-biggest dive; the Nikkei Average loses another 1,086 points, closing at its lowest level in more than two years; a look at what happens to the stock market during and after a crisis.

Donahue August 22, 1990 (Transcript #3017)

Homosexuality and the Military (Repeat-#2900): Five guests who were thrown out of the U.S. Armed Forces because they are homosexuals discuss the reasons for their discharges and the U.S. government's policy of barring homosexuals from military service.

Oprah Winfrey Show August 22, 1990 (Transcript #1028)

My Wife Cheated on Me: Men tell the truth about how they feel when their wives cheat; psychiatrist Pierre Mornell (author of Passive Men, Wild Women) helps men learn to cope with these feelings.

Geraldo August 22, 1990 (Transcript #765)

Losing Your Mom to a Cult: Mothers, daughters and one father discuss the cults that they or their families have been involved with, describing what they consider mind control and pulling away from society. Cult experts and members debate whether the groups discussed are actually cults.

Sally Jessy Raphael August 22, 1990 (Transcript #513)

Rape: The Attack Never Ends: Rape victims, their families, media representatives and attorneys discuss victims' rights. Are victims further victimized by the courts and media?

Good Morning America (ABC) August 22, 1990 (Transcript #1093)

The war of words; closeup of Venus; high-mileage cars; freshman economics; penguins; Bremerton, Washington: Best City in the U.S., 1990; Liam Neeson interview; back to school: freshman year; education and nutrition.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) August 22, 1990 (Transcript #153)

Bush Calls Out Reserves: President Bush orders military reservists to active duty for the first time in 20 years; the State Department refuses to close the U.S. embassy in Kuwait by Friday, in defiance of Saddam Hussein's demands; and Jordan closes its border with Iraq, cutting off a key escape route from that country.

Thursday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Passive-Aggressive Men Sally Jessy Raphael: Grandfather Fathers Geraldo: Wives of Death Row Oprah Winfrey: The Ultimate Hunt (using inmates to train bloodhounds) Larry King Live: former hostage Frank Reed

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#90235k0093 08/23/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 23) KYODO - A SENIOR PAKISTANI GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL SAID THURSDAY PAKISTAN PLANS TO IMPORT CRUDE OIL AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FROM MALAYSIA AND INDONESIA TO OFFSET THE BREAK IN SUPPLIES FROM KUWAIT.

''WE ARE LOOKING EASTWARD, TO MALAYSIA AND INDONESIA'' TO DIVERSIFY THE SOURCES OF SUPPLY INSTEAD OF PUTTING ''ALL OUR EGGS IN ONE BASKET,'' ASLAM IQBAL, SECRETARY TO THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL RESOURCES TOLD A ROTARIAN'S RECEPTION HERE.

PAKISTAN WAS IMPORTING 57,000 BARRELS PER DAY (BPD) OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FROM KUWAIT, AROUND 40,000 BPD OF CRUDE FROM SAUDI ARABIA AND 20,000 BPD EACH FROM IRAN AND ABU DHABI.

ON AUGUST 16, THE MINISTRY AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR THE EMERGENCY IMPORT OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS TO A KARACHI-BASED TRADING COMPANY BUT THE COMPANY HAS FAILED TO DELIVER BECAUSE IT WAS DEPENDING ON SUPPLIES FROM IRAQ, WHICH INVADED KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

THE MINISTRY SECRETARY SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO DECIDED TO INCREASE THE STORAGE CAPACITY FOR OIL FROM 20 DAYS TO 45 DAYS.

PAKISTAN PREVIOUSLY EXPLORED THE POSSIBILITY OF IMPORTING CRUDE AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FROM REFINERIES IN SINGAPORE, MALAYSIA, AND INDONESIA, BUT ABANDONED THE PLANS BECAUSE OF THE HIGHER COST OF FREIGHT COMPARED TO MIDDLE EASTERN CRUDE.

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#90235k0101 08/23/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 23) KYODO - BRAZILIAN FOREIGN MINISTER FRANCISCO REZEK WILL VISIT JAPAN FOR OFFICIAL CONSULTATIONS FROM SEPTEMBER 2 TO 4, FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID THURSDAY.

OFFICIALS SAID THAT IN ADDITION TO TALKS WITH HIS JAPANESE COUNTERPART TARO NAKAYAMA, REZEK WILL PAY A COURTESY CALL ON PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU AND CONSULT WITH FINANCE MINISTER RYUTARO HASHIMOTO AND MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY KABUN MUTO.

REZEK WILL ALSO BE RECEIVED IN AUDIENCE BY EMPEROR AKIHITO, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

HIS VISIT FOLLOWS THAT IN JANUARY BY THEN PRESIDENT-ELECT FERNANDO COLLOR DE MELLO, WHO ASSUMED OFFICE ON MARCH 15.

JAPANESE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO BRAZIL, DEBT RELIEF, THE URUGUAY ROUND OF MULTILATERAL TRADE TALKS, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, AND THE CURRENT CRISIS IN THE PERSIAN GULF ARE EXPECTED TO BE HIGH ON THE AGENDA.

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#90235m0001 08/23/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys
FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 23) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that durable goods for July rose 2.8%. Economists had predicted a 1% rise in durable goods.

World stock markets see large loses overnight. ... Tokyo stocks closed at a record low for the year with the Nikkei falling 1,473.28 points or 5.84% after falling 1,086.93 points on Wednesday. ... The London FTSE off 35 points in early afternoon trading. ... U.S. stocks in London are down sharply -- IBM off as much as two dollars. The EXMI index of overseas trading in twenty U.S. equities is down nearly 6 points. ... The dollar is down and U.S. bonds are lower with long yields up to 9.07%. ... North Sea crude oil adds another half dollar to $30.90. ... Crude oil soars to its highest level in five years passing the $30-a-barrel mark. ... PRESIDENT BUSH calls up 40,000 reservist specialists and joins other countries in refusing to close the Kuwait embassy. Non-essential personnel and dependents of the embassy personnel are being brought home. ... ELECTROLUX plans to lay off 10% of its 150,000 workers with the biggest cutbacks in the U.S. he signed the final papers of his $65 million bank bailout.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The LABOR DEPARTMENT is scheduled to release U.S. import and export prices indexes for July at 10 a.m. EDT. ... Leading U.S. Environmental/Energy Policy Groups discuss the implications of the Gulf Crisis and national energy policy. ... ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL JAMES RILL briefs reporters on the antitrust investigation into gasoline prices.

FROM THE BULLS:

The market's bottom is likely to be 2500, says HAROLD MACKINNEY JR., head of the investment policy committee at FLEET NATIONAL BANK. He remains hopeful that a resolution to the Mideast crisis will save the market from further declines and notes that the Dow could jump 100 points in a day on any positive news. "I think if we resolve the [Mideast] problem effectively, this thing is off and running, and next year we could see the market above 3000." (WSJ, 8/23)

"We're anticipating an upturn" in the market trend, says WILLIAM KAPNER of JUSTIN ASSET MANAGEMENT in Washington, D.C. He says that by his definition the bear market is already reaching an end. He 1 points to a

year-long slump in the majority of stocks, as shown by Value Line and other all-inclusive indexes. "That's about how long a bear market lasts." ("USA Today", 8/23)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I think we have been in a bear market [and] we continue to be in a bear market for stocks," says MARSHALL ACUFF, portfolio strategist with SMITH BARNEY. He believes that the market is very hard to predict right now because "the psychology can move so quickly" in this volatile market environment as was evidenced Wednesday. "Our asset allocation recently has been 40% in equities, 35% fixed-income and 25% in cash. ... I think in terms of the Dow we could see it as

low as 2300. That would not be surprising." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/22)

"The bear has a ways to go," says JOHN LONSKI of MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE. He expects a 9-month recession to start in the fourth quarter. "Companies will be under greater pressure to conserve earnings to meet their debt obligations. They will pull back on hiring and cap expenditures." That, he adds, will lead to "a loss of personal income, and push us into recession" and a long bear market. ("USA Today", 8/23)

There will be a recession, and it will be quite severe, says ALFRED MALABRE, an economics editor at the "Wall Street Journal" and author of a new book. "The business cycle is alive and well, and there's no way around it, unfortunately." Malabre tells CNN this morning that the federal budget deficit would balloon during a recession, and the U.S. Treasury could have difficulty attracting European and Japanese investors. "This would greatly increase interest rates at a time when you want interest rates to be going down." Malbre says each increase of $10 in the price of oil is shaving 1% off the U.S. economy, and the loss is unlikely to be offset by any military related increase in industrial production. (CNN "Business Morning", 8/23)

STOCK MARKET:

Another major selloff this morning on Wall Street? "It depends on what we call major these days. Fifty points [lower is] very much in the cards, and probable on the opening," says MICHAEL BENSON, chief U.S. equity trader for LEHMAN BROTHERS INTERNATIONAL in London. U.S. stocks there are off sharply this morning, but Benson says there is "no panic." The weakening dollar has relieved some of the selling pressure. "People seemed resigned to a lower market." Benson is looking for support at 2500 on the Dow, which he expects to be the low of the day. "When we were at the 2700 level, institutions were taking about entry at 2500," says Benson. "This morning we'll get a chance to see whether they meant it." (CNN "Business Morning", 8/23)

"The market believes there will be a shooting war," asserts JACK SOLOMON, market technician at BEAR STEARNS. "A lot of people are saying [stock prices] will head straight up" if war breaks out, but he isn't so sure. "War is such a traumatic event, the market has to react no matter what." (WSJ, 8/23)

"I don't know that we can call it a bear market," says RAYMOND DeVOE, market strategist at LEGG MASON WOOD WALKER INC. "But it certainly is a bad market." ("USA Today", 8/23)

"We're viewing the market cautiously," says JOSEPH FITZGERALD, chairman of the investment strategy committee of BANKER'S TRUST. "No one knows for sure what will transpire in the Mideast. Our feeling has been that the S&P 500 would trade in a range between 360 to 300 2 this year. It's at 316.55. So we think there could be another 4% to 5% more on the downside." ("Investor's Daily", 8/23)

"Even before the Middle East crisis, there was a weakened technical condition [in the market] which has allowed the bears to capitalize on this [crisis]" says JEFF WEISS, technical analyst at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. As for the outlook for the market, Weiss says, "I think the closer you get toward [the Dow support level of] 2500 the greater chances for a better bounce than we have seen up to now. I am talking about of say 100 Dow points or more." (CNBC "Business View", 8/22)

DALE TILLS, head of institutional trading at CHARLES SCHWAB, says traders are getting nervous as the industrial average approaches a key support at around the 2550 level. "As we get closer and closer to this support, it gets very dangerous." He says if the Dow Jones industrial average falls below the support level, it will have broken an upward trend that has been in place for about six years. "If we do break that support, it could mean 2200 on the Dow," says Tills. "That's got a lot of people nervous." (WSJ, 8/23)

"It's a liquidity crisis that has led to a bloodbath" in the over-the-counter market, says HARVEY EISEN, president of SUN AMERICA ASSET MANAGEMENT, a New York investment firm. ALAN RADLO, portfolio manager of the $622 million FIDELITY OTC FUND, says, "In 1987, it was over in a day." This time the Nasdaq drop has been relentless for weeks. "This is going on and on and on. It's brutal." (NYT, 8/23)

"You hear the rumblings of war and everybody panics," says ROBERT O'TOOLE, manager of OTC trading at LEHMAN BROTHERS. "There is still far too much uncertainty for anyone to want to commit big dollars to this market." ("Investor's Daily", 8/23)

"The positive environment for the stock market is not necessarily booming

profits," says MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER & CO. "It can be a very slow economy as long as it is accompanied by declining interest rates, declining inflation and rising monetary stimulus." He believes there are buying opportunities in this market. Metz notes, "You get real market crashes when investors have high expectations and high margin exposure." Right now, he says, investors are pessimistic and instead of borrowing to buy stocks, they are hoarding cash. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/22 and "The Washington Post", 8/23)

"We have the elements building here for an important bottom in the market " says GENE JAY SEAGLE, research director at GRUNTAL & CO. ("USA Today", 8/23)

"There is a panic mentality when you talk to people," says RICHARD FREEMAN senior vice president of SHEARSON ASSET MANAGEMENT, who invests $165 million in over-the-counter stocks for three mutual funds. "It's close to a capitulation." He adds, "When you have less liquidity in a market, moves are much more violent." (NYT, 8/23)

Despite the new circuit breakers, which are working very well, program trading "causes excess volatility, which then scares off individual investors," says LARRY ZICKLIN, managing director at NEUBERGER & BERMAN. "I think it also has the potential to cause dramatic price declines which could come about at anytime." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/22)

"Technically there should be a rebound [in the Nikkei as it plummets to its lowest point this year], but we're beyond technical analysis now," says GREGORY BUNDY, head of equity trading at MERRILL LYNCH JAPAN INC. "We're looking at a new, completely different valuation 3 of the Nikkei." (Reuters, 8/23)

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CORAL GABLES, FLA. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - As the summer sun begins to set, beach bags are packed away and replaced with knapsacks -- and The Busines$ Kit, according to Nasir Ashemimry, founder and head of Busines$ Kids based here.

The Busines$ Kit, the first comprehensive educational package designed to show young people how to start and manage a business, is offering students a way in -- into the free enterprise system, and out of the blues. This school year will be different because educators have been given another "R" to add to their list of the famous "three" -- risk-taking.

"The new vocabulary word is learn is 'entrepreneurship', a word , a concept and a practice that will revolutionize the education world," Ashemimry said. "Entrepreneurship will inject new spirit into the arm of

the school system -- offering many of today's faltering and unguided youth a reason to stay in school. By teaching individuals how to run their own business, we instill in them a sense of self-confidence and individualism. Teachers and parents have a new ally in this uphill climb: The Busines$ Kit."

Ashemimry's idea for the kit came from his young son, who once asked him for a business card in order to set up his own business. Knowing that a business card was not enough, Ashemimry came up with a delivery system that would help prepare America's young entrepreneurs for the business challenges of the future.

The kit included a series of five easy-to-read, fully illustrated booklets to guide young students through all the beginning stages of their selected business. One of the booklets lists 76 suggested businesses for young people to consider. In addition, The Busines$ Kit contains easily assimilated and understood information for preparing a business plan and marketing a business, as well as an appointment book, audio cassette, and stationery and business cards. The kit also is compact enough to be carried around by children if it is needed for their classroom or extra-curricular activities.

"The American school system is the perfect place to train this country's future entrepreneurs." said Ashemimry. "Students often complain that they are not able to experience the practical aspects of textbook teachings. The Busines$ Kit fulfills our children's educational needs in a practical manner -- one they are more willing to grasp."

For more information on The Busines$ Kit, call (800) 852-4544. Coral Gables, Florida-based Busines$ Kids is a wholly owned subsidiary of Lemonade Kids, Inc.

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PALM SPRINGS, CALIF. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The last 100 years have seen all types of promises which came in a bottle that could cure baldness, improve your sex life and even make you younger.

Only the crafty chuckwagon salesman of the past or the television huckster of the present ever seemed to get any real benefit from any of these products.

The benefit, of course, was never the product but the cash that lined the pockets of these never-ending miracles-in-a-bottle salesmen.

The last decade has, however, brought us real scientific discoveries that over years of laboratory testing have proven effective.

Minoxidil has been able to cure some forms of baldness and Retin-A has reduced wrinkling of the skin in a great number of people.

Until now, the process for brighter, whiter teeth meant going to the dentist's office for one of the following procedures: bonding, caps, veneers or bleaching.

Not only were these procedures time-consuming, but they were very expensive, ranging from $500 to more than $20,000.

Now there's an extraordinary new product called Oral 3 that goes well beyond any toothpaste product and performs virtually identical whitening results to dental treatments using the same non-abrasive, tooth-bleaching process, according to Gregory Ackerman, a spokesperson for the Palm Springs-based Oral 3 Corp.

Oral 3 is the only product to introduce Zyludium into a patent formula producing a super-oxygenation whitening gel.

At under $20, the Oral 3 kit has more than a three-month's supply, which is sufficient to produce that dazzling white smile that you're looking for.

The in-home procedure takes only three minutes per day. Introduced in the greater San Diego area in July, the company reports excellent results in the acceptance, use and performance by both men and women alike.

Oral 3 is available at drug stores, discount stores and supermarkets.

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MANCHESTER, Mich. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The plastic soft drink container, once depicted as a symbol of the "throw-away society", could rapidly become the hottest recycling commodity of the 90s. Already, more than 20 percent of all plastic soft drink containers are recycled into products like carpet yarn, fiber-fill for clothing, and nonfood containers. New plastic soft drink bottles may soon be made from recycled bottles, thanks to emerging technology.

"Our biggest challenges are in changing public attitudes about plastics and encouraging more communities to recycle," said Louis Senunas, general manager for business development and recycling for Johnson Controls, Inc.

(NYSE: JCI) the nation's leading manufacturer of plastic soft drink containers. This fall, Johnson Controls will become the first U.S. soft drink bottle manufacturer to operate a recycling plant when it opens its new $3.3 million, 50,000-square-foot facility in Novi, Mich.

"We have the technology for recycling polyethylene terephthalate (P.E.T.), the key plastic used in soft drink containers," said Senunas. "With the growing market for recycled P.E.T. -- what we need most are used containers," he said. "The public misconception that all plastics are 'throw aways' is a barrier."

Floyd Flexon is director of government relations and environmental affairs for Johnson Controls: "I talk to people across the country and find that some of the old misconceptions about plastics persist." According to Flexon, here are some of the key myths confronting the plastics industry.

MYTH: Plastics are not recyclable. FACT: Many types of plastics are recyclable into high-quality, useful products. Of these, P.E.T. is recycled at the highest rate, followed by high-density polyethylene (H.D.P.E.), the plastic used for making milk and detergent containers. Post-consumer P.E.T. is recycled into automobile parts -- such as distributor caps -- and industrial strapping, in addition to carpet yarn, fiber-fill, and nonfood containers.

MYTH: Plastics and plastic containers are major contributors to the country's landfill crisis. FACT: All plastics account for only about 7 percent (by weight) of municipal solid waste. By comparison, yard and food waste account for 26 percent of the solid waste stream, and paper and paperboard account for 41 percent, according to the Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A.). P.E.T. containers constitute less than 1 percent of the content in the municipal solid waste stream.

MYTH: All plastics are the same. FACT: There are many different types of plastics, just as there are different types of metals -- aluminum, tin, steel, and so on. And, like metals, plastics need to be separated for proper recycling. To ease this process, the Society of the Plastics Industry (S.P.I.) has come up with a coding system, separating plastics into six groups, with a seventh for "mixed plastics." P.E.T. is identified with the number "1" in a triangle with arrows. P.E.T. and H.D.P.E. account for 90 percent of all plastic containers on the market.

MYTH: Used plastic soft drink containers have low value. FACT: Recycled P.E.T. has the second-highest "scrap value" of recyclable packaging materials, next to aluminum. There is a strong, expanding market for recycled P.E.T.

MYTH: Very few communities are recycling plastic soft drink containers. FACT: According to the National Association for Plastics Container

Recovery (NAPCOR), 400 communities in 29 states now include P.E.T. containers in their curbside recycling programs.

MYTH: In deposit states, P.E.T. is not recycled. FACT: According to the National Soft Drink Association, more than 93 percent of all soft drink containers purchased in the state of Michigan -- a deposit state -- are returned; all of the containers returned are recycled. Currently, nine deposit states exist.

MYTH: More "bottle bill" legislation is needed. FACT: Curbside collection is the only comprehensive answer to the recovery and recycling of municipal solid waste. Bottled deposits remove high-value materials -- aluminum and P.E.T. -- from this stream and hamper the economic viability of these systems. And, they do not recover other containers made of P.E.T., for products such as mouthwash, water, juice, liquor, peanut butter and salad dressings. P.E.T. can be a profitable part of municipal sold waste recovery systems.

Johnson Controls, Inc. is a market leader in engineered systems, products and services in four major markets: commercial environmental controls systems, automotive original equipment, automotive replacement equipment and plastics packaging. For more information on P.E.T. recycling, NAPCOR has set up a toll-free hotline, available 24 hours a day at 1-800-7-NAPCOR.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - JPS Textile Group, Inc. has extended until midnight, New York time, on Thursday, Aug., 23, 1990, the expiration date, consent solicitation and withdrawal rights relating to each of the following: JPS's cash tender offer for all of its outstanding senior variable rate notes due 1996, senior subordinated discount notes due 1999 and 15-1/4 percent senior subordinated notes due 1999, at a purchase price of $750, $256.07 and $400, respectively, per $1,000 principal amount tendered; its cash tender offer for all of its outstanding shares of Series A exchangeable adjustable rate preferred stock, at a purchase price of $10 per share tendered; and its offer to exchange $1,000 principal amount of its new 6 percent (Pay-in-Kind) subordinated debentures due 1999 for each $1,000 principal amount of its outstanding 14-1/4 percent subordinated debentures due 2000. Each such offer, which originally commenced on July 20, 1990, was scheduled to expire at midnight, on Aug. 22, 1990, unless extended.

As of Aug. 22, 1990, approximately $1,600,000 in outstanding principal amount of the senior variable rate notes was tendered for purchase and not withdrawn, and no other JPS securities had been tendered pursuant to the

offers.

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PITTSBURGH (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Chambers Development Company Inc. (AMEX: CDVB), Pennsylvania's largest environmental services firm, has established voluntary drop-off centers for recyclables at all of its Pennsylvania operations, it was announced today.

"Chambers wholeheartedly supports Pennsylvania's mandatory recycling law and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's goal of diverting at least 25 percent of the solid waste stream by 1992 through recycling by industry and consumers," said John Rangos Jr., executive vice president.

Beginning Sept. 26, 1990, recycling becomes mandatory for residents and commercial businesses in Pennsylvania.

To help residents recycle, Chambers has established voluntary drop-off centers in areas where the company has operations for the collection of recyclables. The drop-off center locations, days and hours of operation and recyclables collected are as follows:

-- Altoona Transfer Station, East Sixth Avenue, Altoona, Pa., Blair County. Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Saturday, 7 a.m. to noon. Aluminum cans, clear glass and plastic bottles will be accepted.

-- Arden Landfill, Arden Station Road, Chartiers Township, Pa., Washington County. Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Saturday, 7 to 11:30 a.m. Aluminum cans, clear, green and brown glass will be accepted.

-- Fulkroad Landfill, Route 209, Millersburg, Pa., Dauphin County. Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Saturday, 7 to 11:30 a.m. Clear glass, colored glass, aluminum cans and steel cans will be accepted.

-- Monroeville Landfill, 600 Thomas St. Ext., Monroeville, Pa., Allegheny County. Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday, 7 a.m. to noon. Clear glass, colored glass, aluminum and plastic bottles will be accepted.

- Southern Alleghenies Landfill, Valley Vie+-L., Somerset County. Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.;5/8

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JENKINTOWN, PA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Flagship Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: FLGF) management today announced measures to enhance future income trends by discontinuing operations at First American Saving's New Jersey retail network, writing off $10 million of goodwill and accelerating the building of general loan loss reserves.

The estimated third quarter impact of these decisions is a $13 million non-cash charge to earnings, which is expected to be partially offset by future improvements in core earnings, a reduction in quarterly expenses and lower taxes.

Commenting on these restructuring developments, Frank P. Felton 3rd, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We believe that, given the company's strong capital position. Imprtantly, all of this will be accomplished without jeopardizing the company's financial condition and each thrift subsdiary will continue to exceed the fully phased-in capital requirements."

According to John M. Mason, president and chief operating officer, "It is our intent to get the financial impact of goodwill amortization and building general loan loss reserves behind us. By accelerating the recognition of these non-cash items, the balance sheet will be stronger, loan loss reserves will approximate .98 percent of loans, results of operations will show more favorable trends going forward and our actual cash tax liabilities will be reduced now and in the future."

With regard to the retail network, First American's board of directors decided to exit the New Jersey marketplace by closing or selling its five existing retail facilities. Presently, First American maintains full-service offices in Maple Shade and Camden, along with three convenience outlets yn K mart stores in Marlton, Delran and Mantua, N.J. First American first established a New Jersey presence in late 1987 when it acquired the insured deposits of a troubled thrift from the FSLIC.

"Management's analysis concluded that, given the current economic picture and its limited presence!in New Jersey, First American could not meet established profit targets in a reasonable time. We believe a renewed focus on the suburban Pennsylvania markets makes more sense than remaining in or expanding our presence in New Jersey," Felton said.

It is management's intent to finalize its withdrawal from New Jersey before year-end, leaving 13 Pennsylvania retail offices. A new First American branch facility is also under construction in Skippack, Pa.

In a related action, First American's board chose to write down approximately $10 million of goodwill primarily associated with the June 1982 acquisition of York Road Federal, and, to a lesser extent, its exit from New Jersey. The write-down of York Road Federal's remaining goodwill

resulted from management's decision to retroactively adopt SFAS No. 72, which requires a partial write-down of goodwill for the pre- October 1982 acquisition.

Separately, the boards of directors of both First American and Brandywine Savings elected to accelerate the recording of approximately $3 million of previously disclosed loan loss provisions to build general reserves to levels approaching commercial bank standards. In Flagship's recent earnigs announcement, management indicated that it would record $700,000 to $900,000 of loan loss provisions for each of the next four quarters. The decision to record the majority of that in the tlird quarter will immediately boost the general reserves and reduce futur3/4 quarterly provisions to previous levels.

"We believe the market's valuation of Flagship has already been discounted for goodwill and higher loan loss provisions. By accelerating the recognition of both items, investozs are provided with a more realistic, market-driven presentation of Flagship's value," Mason said.

Flagship Financial, which ranks among the 10 largest publicly traded thrift institutions in Pennsylvania, conducts business through its wholly owned subsidiaries First American Savings and Brandywine Savings Bank. First American operates 12 full-service and six "convenience" branches in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Brandywine Savings Bank operates nine full-service branches in Chester County, Pa. The common stock of Flagship Financial is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FLGF.

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BENSALEM, PA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - David Wachs, chairman and chief executive officer of Charming Shoppes Inc. (NASDAQ: CHRS), the retail women's apparel chain, today reported its earnings and sales for the second quarter and for the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990.

For the three months ended Aug. 4, 1990, earnings were $10,252,000 or $.20 per share, vs. $11,753,000 or $.23 per share for the corresponding period in 1989. Second quarter sales were $218,971,000 in 1990 as against sales of $201,027,000 in 1989.

For the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990, earnings were $17,229,000 or $.34 per share, vs. earnings of $18,648,000 or $.37 per share for the corresponding six months of 1989. Sales for the six months increased to $410,731,000 in 1990 from $373,375,000 in 1989.

During the period February through July, the company opened 37 new stores, bringing the total number of operating stores to 1,021 at the end of the second quarter. Currently the company is operating 1,037 stores. In total, the company said it expects to open approximately 120 stores this year, bringing the projected number of units operating at year end to approximately 1,085.

CHARMING SHOPPES INC.
(In thousands, except shares and per-share amounts)

	Second quarter Fiscal 1991			Second quarter Fiscal 1990	
	Pct. Increase		Pct. of Sales		Pct. of Sales
Earnings per share	--	$.20	--	$.23	--
Sales	8.9	$218,971	100.0	$201,027	100.0
Other income	(35.6)	1,514	.7	2,351	1.2
Total	8.4	220,485	100.7	203,378	101.2
C/G/S, Buying & Occupancy	10.2	155,323	70.9	140,949	70.1
Selling & administration	11.3	48,998	22.4	44,032	21.9
Interest expense	16.5	862	.4	739	.4
Expenses	10.5	205,183	93.7	185,720?	92.4
Pretax profit	(13.3)	15,302	7.0	17,658	8.8
Less income taxes	(14.5)	5,050	2.3	5,905	2.9
Net income	(12.8)	10,252	4.7	11,753	5.8
Average shares	--	51,262,695	--	50,898,868	--

	Six Months Fiscal 1991			Six Months Fiscal 1990	
	Pct. Increase		Pct. of Sales		Pct. of Sales
Earnings per share	--	$.34	--	$.37	--
Sales	10.0	$410,731	100.0	$373,375	100.0
Other income	(42.2)	2,957	.7	5,117	1.4
Total	9.3	413,688	100.7	378,492	101.4
C/G/S, Buying & Occupancy	10.2	290,901	70.8	263,886	70.7
Selling & administration	12.2	95,456	23.2	85,062	22.8
Interest expense	7.6	1,616	.4	1,502	.4
Expenses	10.7	387,973	94.4	350,450	93.9
Pretax profit	(8.3)	25,715	6.3	28,042	7.5
Less income taxes	(9.7)	8,486	2.1	9,394	2.5
Net income	(7.6)	17,229	4.2	18,648	5.0
Average shares	--	51,026,210	--	50,866,375	--

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LIVINGSTON, NJ (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Howard Savings Bank (NASDAQ: HWRD) said today it has engaged the investment banker, Bear Stearns, as consultants to assist it in the preparation of a capital plan to be submitted by the bank to the FDIC in accordance with a memorandum of understanding among the bank and its regulators, previously disclosed by the bank on June 1, 1990.

CONTACT: Walt Hausman of Howard Savings Bank, 201-533-7514, or Alan C. Marcus of The Marcus Group, 201-902-9000, for Howard Savings.

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NAPLES, FLA. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - BancFlorida Financial Corporation (NYSE: BFL) (the "company" or "BFL"), whose primary subsidiary is BancFlorida, a Federal Savings Bank (the "bank"), today announced that it has directed its Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP") trustee, The National Bank of Detroit, to purchase up to $600,000 of BFL common stock in the open market for the benefit of plan participants. The timing of the purchase of the BFL common stock and the price at which the shares will be acquired will be determined by the ESOP trustee.

The trustee will make the purchases with funds contributed by the bank consistent with the bank's business plan. In fiscal 1989, the bank's pension plan was curtailed as part of an overall strategy to focus on the ESOP as the primary retirement plan for employees.

At June 30, 1990 the company had 3,414,021 shares of common stock of 1,138,000 shares of cumulative convertible preferred stock outstanding.

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MONROE, MICH. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - La-Z-Boy Chair Company's (NYSE: LZB) sales continued to grow in the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended July 28. Unusually high expenses produced a decline in operating profit and a $0.01 per-share net loss.

Chairman and President Charles T. Knabusch said first-quarter sales, the highest on record for La-Z-Boy, were achieved despite declining sales for

the furniture industry as a whole.

Net sales reached $123.4 million, an increase of 5 percent from the prior year's first-quarter record of $117.7 million. Higher costs, largely for production improvements, reduced first-quarter operating profit to $1.5 million, compared to $5.3 million in the fiscal 1990 first quarter, and led to an after-tax loss of $104,000, or $0.01 per share, versus a profit of $2.3 million, or $0.13 per share in the 1990 first quarter.

Earlier this month, Knabusch advised shareholders that first-quarter earnings would be impacted by costs of expanding the company's production capacity and by "abnormally high expenses" for improving casegoods, finishing and other manufacturing operations during the compeny's regular mid-summer shutdown period.

Knabusch said that fiscal 1991 "is likely to be a repeat of 1990" when a first-quarter earnings decline was followed by improvements in the second and subsequent quarters. First-quarter operations typically account for less than 15 percent of La-Z-Boy annual earnings, due to the seasonal nature of furniture-industry sales and because of scheduled plant closings for vacation.

"We fully expect La-Z-Boy to keep outperforming the furniture industry average," Knabusch said. "But, unless the economy improves to a point where furniture-industry sales pick up significantly, it will be difficult for La-Z-Boy to match last year's results." In fiscal 1990, ended April 28, La-Z-Boy had sales of $592 million and net income of $28.3 million.

La-Z-Boy is the leading manufacturer of reclining and motion chairs, and the nation's largest manufacturer of upholstered furniture. La-Z-Boy operates 19 plants serving seven marketing divisions: La-Z-Boy Residential La-Z-Boy Contract, La-Z-Boy Canada, Burris, RoseJohnson, Hammary and Kincaid.

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MELBOURNE, FL (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) has named J. Russel Ridley Jr. director of management development and training on the corporate staff. He was formerly director of organizational development for the company's Semiconductor Sector.

Prior to joining Harris in July 1987, Ridley was an organization design consultant for Mead Corporation in Ohio and a consulting psychologist for Rohrer, Hibler and Replogle in Chicago.

Ridley received his Ph.D. in industrial organizational psychology from the University of Tennessee. He received a master's degree in general experimental psychology at North Dakota State University after earning a bachelor's degree in psychology/biology at the University of Mississippi.

Harris Corporation, with worldwide sales of more than $3 billion, is focused on four major businesses: electronic systems, communications, semiconductors and office equipment.

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CINCINNATI (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) and Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. (NYSE: RPR) announced today their decision to terminate their agreement to jointly develop and market prescription and over-the-counter pharmaceutical products. Plans for this strategic alliance were initially announced on March 13, 1990.

This decision follows an antitrust suit filed by the U.S. Department of Justice on Aug. 7, 1990 challenging the portion of the proposed agreement pertaining to the Maalox(R) antacid brand.

Both companies said they strongly disagree with the Department of Justice's decision in this matter. "We are convinced that this alliance would have enhanced the level of competition in the U.S. and been of value to consumers," the companies said. "However, after careful review it was decided that protracted litigation and the accompanying business uncertainty would not be in the best interests of the companies."

Procter & Gamble makes and markets a wide range of products for consumer and institutional use. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990, P&G had worldwide sales of $24 billion.

Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. is a global pharmaceutical company dedicated to the discovery, development, manufacture, and marketing of human pharmaceuticals. Annualized worldwide sales for 1990 will be more than $3 billion and R&D expenditures approximate $400 million. The company operates in all major markets worldwide.

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COLUMBIA, S.C. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G), principal subsidiary of SCANA Corporation (NYSE: SCG), announced today that J.L. Skolds has been elected Vice President-Nuclear Operations, effective September 15, 1990. Skolds, previously General Manager-Nuclear Plant Operations, succeeds O.S. Bradham, 60, who is taking early retirement for health reasons. In his new position, Skolds will be responsible for operations of the 885 MW V.C. Summer Nuclear Station, which is jointly owned by SCE&G (two-thirds) and the South Carolina Public Service Authority (one-third), a state-owned utility.

Skolds, 40, is a native of Joliet, Illinois and a 1972 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, where he received a BS degree in Applied Science. He also holds an MBA degree (1982) from the University of South Carolina. Prior to joining SCE&G's Nuclear Operations Division in 1986, Skolds worked for Impell Corporation (1983-85), a nuclear power consulting company headquartered in Atlanta, and was a reactor Inspector (1977-83) in Region II for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Skolds holds the NRC's Senior Reactor Operator certification.

SCE&G is a combination utility providing energy services to approximately 440,000 electric and 205,000 natural gas customers in South Carolina.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Yaron Eitan, president of Geotek Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: GOTK), today announced the consummation of an agreement with Aryt Optronics Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: ARYTF) in which Aryt has agreed to make an equity investment of $4 million in Geotek through the acquisition of 2,666,666 Geotek shares at $1.50 per share.

As previously announced on July 18, 1990, Geotek had reached an agreement with Istec Industries and Technologies Ltd. (NASDAQ: ISTEF) to acquire 47 percent of the outstanding shares of Aryt from Istec. After the Istec-Geotek transaction is closed, only 53 percent or 1,413,333 shares of the 2,666,666 Geotek shares will be considered as shares outstanding with the remaining 1,253,333 shares treated as treasury stock.

The agreement also stipulates that Aryt will lend Geotek $3 million for a period of six years with interest calculated at the prevailing rate in effect for certificates of deposit. At Aryt's option, the loan can be convertible into Geotek common stock at $3 per share.

It is also intended that Geotek will purchase Aryt's 50 percent ownership in Ophir-Aryt Optronics Ltd. for Geotek stock.

Geotek manufactures a variety of products for the computer and telecommunication industries in Israel and the United States, including high-quality transformers and power supplies. The company also manufactures sophisticated electronic fuses for munitions and other mechanical defense articles.

CONTACT: Yaron Eitan, president and CEO, Yoram Bibring, CFO, or Jerrold Levy, treasurer of Geotek, 215-563-0310; or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Geotek.

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LANSING, MICH. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Oldsmobile Division of General Motors has announced it will enhance its "Olds Summer Sell Down" incentive program with double cash rebates on select vehicles to consumers at participating dealers or 4.8 percent finance rates on select vehicles. Consumer rebates or special GMAC finance rates on 1991 models are also new.

Starting today (Aug. 23), buyers of 1990 Cutlass Calais or Cutlass Ciera models will be eligible for direct cash rebates of $1,500 and $2,000, respectively, at participating Oldsmobile dealers. Purchasers of 1989 Cutlass Calais and Cutlass Ciera models will receive an additional $500 cash incentive.

Dealers may also offer consumers a special GMAC finance rate of 4.8 percent for up through a 48-month term or 10.9 percent for 49 through 60 months for 1989 and 1990 model Cutlass Supreme or Cutlass Ciera models in lieu of the consumer rebates. Special interest rates for other 1989 and 1990 model vehicle lines plus all 1991 models with rebates will be 7.9 percent for up through 48 months or 10.9 percent for 49 through 60 months.

Current Consumer Rebates of Oldsmobile Vehicles

Carline	1990 Models(b)	1991 Models
Cutlass Calais	$1,500(a)	$500 or $750(c)
Cutlass Ciera	$2,000(a)	$750
Cutlass Supreme	$2,000(a)	$750
Eighty-Eight Royale	$1,500	$750
Custom Cruiser	$1,000	---
Ninety-Eight, Touring Sedan	$1,000	---
Toronado	$2,500	$1,500
Silhouette	$1,250	$500

(a) Available at participating dealers. (b) The rebate for 1989 models is $500 more than 1990 models. (c) $500 on Calais models; $750 on Calais S, SL and international models.

The "Olds Summer Sell Down" program runs through Sept. 26, 1990.

CONTACT: Jill Witzenburg or Ross Ruehle of Oldsmobile, 517-377-5660

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Savin Corporation (NYSE: SVB) today announced that checks in payment of the semi-annual interest for its increasing rate senior subordinated notes due March 1, 1992, will be distributed on Sept. 3, 1990, to holders of record at Aug. 15, 1990. This payment reflects 16 percent annual interest rate for the six-month period beginning March 1, 1990.

Savin Corporation, founded in 1959, distributes a full line of office copiers and facsimile products through a North American network of ten company-owned branches and over 380 dealers at more than 500 selling and servicing locations.

Savin is also a non-exclusive distributor of a full-color copier: the Prism(TM)I. Savin is the only distributor of copier products in North America offering the customer a choice of toner technologies.

CONTACT: Alexandra Raine of Savin, (203) 967-5193 or -5500.

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#90235p8109 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

SECAUCUS, N.J. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Milton Petrie, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of Petrie Stores Corporation (NYSE: PST), announced today that sales for the three months ended Aug. 4, 1990, were $313,010,000 compared to $293,692,000 for the prior year. For the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990, sales were $614,469,000 compared to $572,829,000 for the prior year. Earnings for the three months ended Aug. 4, 1990, were $1,757,000 compared to $3,512,000 for the prior year. Earnings for the six months ended July 29, 1989.

PETRIE STORES CORPORATION
(Unaudited; 000s)

Periods	Three Months		Six Months	
Ended	8/4/90	7/29/89	8/4/90	7/29/89
Sales	$313,010	$293,692	$614,469	$572,829
Earns. before equity earns. & inc. taxes	3,071	5,906	15,716	18,058
Equity earns. (loss)	(91)	(9)	(221)	(201)
Earns. bef. inc. taxes	2,980	5,897	15,495	17,857

Net earnings	1,757	3,512	9,188	10,547
Net earns. per share	$0.04	$0.08	$0.20	$0.23
Weighted average number of shares	46,768	46,768	46,768	46,768

Petrie Stores operates a chain of 1,615 women's specialty stores in 48 states (including Hawaii and Alaska, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the District of Columbia) which specializes in the retail sale of a full selection of women's apparel at moderate prices to teen, junior and contemporary miss customers.

CONTACT: Peter A. Left, secretary of Petrie Stores, 201-866-3600

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#90235p8110 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, VA. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobil Corporation said today it will restructure the operations of its 16 European marketing and refining affiliates to improve efficiency and take full advantage of the opportunities associated with a single European market in 1992.

Europe-wide responsibility for selected business operations will be centralized in the new Mobil Europe Center of Operations, to be located in London, Mobil said. The Mobil affiliates in Europe will be restructured to make up parts of two functional units, one for marketing and one for manufacturing and supply.

The new structure will provide greater technical support and assistance and stronger functional guidance for operating units, Mobil said. At the same time, the company is implementing a common integrated business information and accounting system for its European marketing and refining businesses.

"There are large, up-front and on-going efficiencies and savings to be achieved through tailoring our operations to the single market Europe will become after 1992," Allen E. Murray, Mobil Corporation chairman and chief executive, said. "Our new organization will be leaner and better able to respond to quickly changing competitive forces in Western Europe as well as in the East."

Joe B. Hinton will be president of the new Mobil Europe Center of Operations. He is now president of Mobil Europe Inc., the service company based in Fairfax, Va., which coordinates Mobil's marketing and refining businesses in Europe.

Mobil affiliates in Europe have interests in seven refineries and manage a service station network of some 4,000 units in 13 European countries and 390 units in 13 countries in North and West Africa. They employ about

8,000 persons.

CONTACT: John Lord of Mobil, 703-846-2500

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#90235p8112 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST PALM BEACH, FLA. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Jewelmasters, Inc. (AMEX: JEM), announced today that the company had reached an agreement with Western Development Company, a leading developer of outlet malls, to operate a Jewelmasters store in Western Development's Potomac Mills Outlet Center in the metropolitan Washington, D.C., area.

The new store will operate under the name Jewelmasters Department Store Manufacturer's Outlet and is expected to open in October, along with the locations in Western Development's Franklin Mills and Sawgrass Mills Outlet Centers as announced at the company's annual meeting in July.

"Jewelmasters' entry into outlet malls is an important new direction for our company," said Josef J. Barr, chairman and chief executive officer. "It helps us diversify our business base, which includes 57 leased fine jewelry departments in better department and specialty stores, as well as the JEM couture fine jewelry store in Palm Beach."

"We have watched the success that fine firms such as Saks Fifth Avenue and Ann Taylor have enjoyed in Western Development's outlet malls, and we have decided to join them in this new direction," Barr said. "Being in the company of other fine stores that offer value- priced merchandise is well suited to Jewelmasters' merchandising concept, both as a manufacturer and retailer."

"Western Development has welcomed Jewelmasters as a supplier of what its middle-income customers are seeking -- quality branded and designer merchandise at value prices, under one roof," said Barr. "We look forward to further expansion with Western Development as they continue to open new outlet malls throughout the country and are currently negotiating for a location in Gurnee Mills outside of Chicago."

Jewelmasters, Inc., designs, manufactures and sells fine jewelry through leased departments in better department and specialty stores nationwide.

CONTACT: Jesse Newman of Jewelmasters, 407-833-2099; or George McGrath of Hill and Knowlton, 212-697-5600, ext. 3724, for Jewelmasters

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#90235p8116 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Santa Fe Pacific Gold Corporation, a unit

of Santa Fe Pacific Corporation (NYSE: SFX), has announced the first gold production from its Rabbit Creek Mine, a wholly owned operation near Winnemucca, Nev. The first gold bar was poured Monday, Aug. 13, 1990, marking the successful completion of 18 months of construction and an expenditure of $77 million.

The company anticipates production of about 25,000 ounces of gold at Rabbit Creek in 1990, with a production rate at year-end of about 100,000 ounces annually. Initial work on a $60 million expansion of the mine began in August, which will increase production capacity to almost 200,000 ounces per year by 1992. Combining production from the expanded Rabbit Creek Mine, the company's new Lone Tree project and its 30 percent interest in the Marigold Mine, Santa Fe Pacific Gold anticipates total production of more than 300,000 ounces in 1992.

Mill operations began at Rabbit Creek in mid-July. The plant is averaging 1,600 tons of ore per day, and the rate of gold recovery has been over 90 percent. Both these results are better than anticipated.

CONTACT: Bob Gehrt of Santa Fe Pacific, 312-786-6268

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#90235p8117 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern California Gas Co. will redeem all of the $19.2 million outstanding aggregate principal amount of the 9 1/2 percent First Mortgage Bonds, Series F, due in 1995, issued by Southern Counties Gas Co. of California (which was merged with SoCalGas in 1970).

The redemption will be effected on Oct. 1, 1990 at 101.59 percent of the principal amount of the bonds plus accrued interest. With the redemption of these bonds, SoCalGas will have completed the retirement of all securities originally issued by Southern Counties Gas.

Notice of redemption will be mailed to registered holders of the bonds no less than 30 days prior to the redemption date. Interest on the bonds will cease to accrue on the redemption date.

Trustee for the bonds is Union Bank, the utility said.

CONTACT: Rick Terrell or Ralph Cohen, both of Southern California Gas Co., 213-689-2171.

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#90235p8120 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to numerous inquiries, Apple

Bank stated today that there have been no adverse developments concerning its business that would account for yesterday's decline in its stock price.

CONTACT: Jerome R. McDougal, Jr., of Apple Bank, 212-573-8014

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#90235p8121 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NAPERVILLE, IL (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: FMBI) today announced that it has acquired the approximate $13.5 million Fidelity Savings Bank, F.S.B. Danville, Ill. from the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The acquisition took the form of a "clean" purchase and assumption transaction that saw approximately $13.5 million in deposits assumed by the company's bank headquartered in Danville, First Midwest Bank/Danville. The bank simultaneously purchased certain assets of Fidelity, with purchased loans and other assets being subject to liberal putback rights, and acquired options to purchase still other assets of Fidelity. Consideration of $426,000 was paid by the bank.

The former thrift will be operated as a branch of the bank resulting in the bank becoming the largest financial institution in the Danville Vermilion County market with total assets of approximately $187 million.

"This acquisition affords us presence in a new sub-market of Danville and represents a cost effective means of enhancement of overall market share," said Robert P. O'Meara, First Midwest Bancorp president and CEO. "Our Danville bank enjoys excellent financial performance, returning in excess of 20 percent on average equity and 1.4 percent on average assets in 1989, and will readily assimilate the new branch."

With total assets of approximately $2.1 billion, First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. is one of Illinois' largest bank holding companies operating 36 banking and 5 trust offices in northern Illinois.

CONTACT: James M. Roolf of First Midwest Bancorp, 708-505-8300.

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#90235p8124 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Renault Vehicules Industriels S.A. ("RVI") announced today that the tender offer (the "offer") by ITM Acquisition Corp. ("ITM"), a subsidiary of RVI, to acquire all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Mack Trucks, Inc. (NASDAQ: MACK), not beneficially owned directly or indirectly by RVI, at $6.00 per share, net to the seller in cash, and related withdrawal rights had been extended to 9 p.m., New York City time, on Thursday, Sept. 6, 1990. The offer had

previously been scheduled to expire at 9 p.m., New York City time, on Aug. 22, 1990.

RVI stated that it was reviewing its options in light of Mack's expectation of substantially increased losses for 1990 and the current unsettled U.S. economy. As indicated in a press release issued by Mack on Aug. 17, 1990, Mack now projects a net loss of approximately $180 million for the year ending Dec. 31, 1990, in contrast to its previous projections of a net loss of $131 million for 1990 and an actual loss of $185,415,000 for 1989. As a result of the revised forecast, Mack's book value per share at Dec. 31, 1990, is projected by Mack to decline to approximately $5.50.

Commenting on the extension, RVI Chief Executive Officer Jean-Pierre Capron stated, "Our offer was based on Mack's original forecast. I am extremely troubled by the adverse developments reflected in Mack's new forecast and I have asked our advisors to reconsider all our alternatives."

RVI noted that many conditions to the offer, including the expiration or termination of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott- Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, had not yet been satisfied. As of 9 p.m., New York City time, on Aug. 22, 1990, an aggregate of 2,107,657 shares of common stock of Mack (representing approximately 7.1 percent of the total outstanding common stock of Mack) had been tendered pursuant to the offer by either physical or guaranteed delivery. The tendered shares, together with the Mack shares beneficially owned directly or indirectly by RVI, represent approximately 51.6 percent of the total outstanding common stock of Mack.

CONTACT: Elios Pascual of RVI, in France, 011-331-4772-5335; or William Catacosinos or Marisa Heine of D. F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for RVI

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#90235p8125 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Greenwich Capital Financial Inc., Irving, Texas, and the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) signed an agreement to provide financing for $1 billion of new home mortgages to be originated over the next 16 months, the two companies announced today.

The single-family home mortgages will be made available throughout the United States by Greenwich Capital Financial. The majority of the mortgages will be exchanged for Mortgage-Backed Securities issued by Fannie Mae; the remainder will be sold to Fannie Mae for cash.

The agreement signed by both companies provides for mandatory delivery of the mortgages, nearly all of which will be fixed-rate mortgages with terms

of 15- and 30-years.

Greenwich Capital Financial Inc., the financial services subsidiary of Greenwich Capital Markets Inc., Greenwich, Conn., acquires home mortgages in 47 states.

"We are delighted that Greenwich Capital will be working with Fannie Mae to increase the money available to American home buyers," said Judy Dedmon senior vice president of Fannie Mae's Southwestern Regional Office. "Greenwich Capital is a relatively new participant in the field of home mortgage lending. With this agreement, they have entered the ranks of the major mortgage banking companies."

The agreement was announced here by Dedmon, responsible for Fannie Mae's activities in the 10-state Southwestern Region.

"Our agreement demonstrates Greenwich Capital Financial's strong commitment to play a major role in the U.S. home mortgage market," said B.L. (Bud) Terrell, president and chief executive officer of Greenwich Capital Financial Inc. "The new mortgage money will be used to offer the fixed-rate mortgages that most buyers prefer in today's market."

Greenwich Capital Financial Inc. is a nationally recognized wholesale purchaser of mortgages offering brokerage, non-mandatory and mandatory delivery programs. In addition, the 3-year-old company offers structured finance, multifamily lending, and security sales through a Dallas branch of Greenwich Capital Markets Inc.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

CONTACT: Bonnie O'Dell of Fannie Mae, 202-752-6527

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#90235p8126 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OH (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The BFGoodrich Company (NYSE: GR) announced today that it has reached an agreement with the Internal Revenue Service regarding a deduction relating to BFG's investment in Convent Chemical Corp. that the company claimed on its 1985 tax return.

The agreement will result in the reversal of tax reserves and will benefit BFG's third-quarter net income by $30.8 million.

The company also announced that it will recognize in the third quarter write-offs of certain assets, principally involving Geon Vinyl Division resin manufacturing operations in Canada. The write-offs will result in

a $15.2 million pretax, or $9.5 million after tax, charge to third quarter earnings.

CONTACT: Rob Jewell (media), 216-374-2999; or Tom Waltermire (investor), 216-374-2556; both of BFGoodrich Company

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#90235p8129 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAUPPAUGE, NY (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Orbit Instrument Corp. (NASDAQ: ORBT) today announced that it plans to purchase up to an additional 1,000,000 shares of its common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated or block transactions. The price to be paid, timing of purchases and the aggregate number of shares to be purchased will be at the company's discretion and subject to market conditions.

The company began a stock repurchase program in March of this year and has completed its initial plan to purchase 500,000 shares of its common stock. The company has purchased approximately 1,160,000 shares since Jan. 1, 1990.

The company currently has approximately 8,900,000 shares outstanding. Max Reissman, the president of the company, stated that the price of the company's stock continues to be an attractive investment at current levels and the repurchase program would not detract from the company's ongoing business acquisition program.

Orbit is a Long Island-based manufacturer of customized electronic components and subsystems for military and non-military governmental applications. Its subsidiaries are Orbit Semiconductor, which is a state-of-the-art manufacturer of customized semiconductors servicing the high reliability and quick turn around markets; and USA Classic which manufactures men's and boy's active wear under the "Everlast" name as a licensee of Everlast World's Boxing Headquarters Corporation, childrens' garments under the "Nautica" trademark under license from Nautica Apparel, Inc., all garments under the "Riddell" trademark under license from RHC Licensing Corp. and childrens' garments under the "B.U.M. Equipment" trademark under license from Chauvin International Ltd.

CONTACT: Mitchell Binder, vice president-finance of Orbit Instrument, 516-435-8300.

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#90235p8133 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - San Diego-based StudyWare Corp., manufacturers of educational computer software for high school and college students, has teamed with Cliffs Notes to offer a new, full-cycle, totally

integrated learning system.

The StudyWare program provides two complete diagnostic exams and approximately 800 review questions by topic area on screen. This is in addition to the review material provided in the Cliffs study guide.

According to StudyWare President Richard Pam, "No other product on the market has as complete a package combining both on-screen questions and review material in a book. This is the best possible software package on the market today, because it combines the best of printed material with the best of interactive educational computer software."

Cliffs Notes' study guides allow students an in-depth review of material that goes far beyond the capabilities of present day computer software. Cliffs Notes affords students the opportunities to overcome weak areas, once these weaknesses have been discovered. "However," according to Pam, "books cannot analyze, diagnose or give immediate feedback the way the StudyWare computer software can.

"In cooperation with Cliffs Notes, StudyWare is now offering a totally integrated learning system," Pam said. The computer program allows the student to take the sample tests, to see what he or she knows or does not know by answering more than 800 questions and then references each area to the more in-depth explanations found in Cliffs Notes.

"In doing this, we have created a full cycle approach to College Board (SAT and ACT) test preparation, which we think is the next best thing to having the teacher or tutor right there with the student."

Officials of both companies are optimistic about the new college entrance test preparation products that are now available in all formats in software retail outlets throughout the nation.

CONTACT: Norman Greene of Image Builders, 619-583-2415, for StudyWare Corp.

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#90235p8136 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Hycroft Resources & Development Corporation (Vancouver: HYR) announced that the private placement to Granges Inc. was completed today, in which 3,087,525 common shares at $0.8097 per share were issued to Granges for a total consideration of $2.5 million. These shares, when added to the 7,863,244 common shares of Hycroft previously owned by Granges, increase Granges' ownership of Hycroft from approximately 59 percent to approximately 67 percent.

As a condition of this private placement, the independent directors of Hycroft received an opinion from Wood Gundy Inc. that the terms of the private placement are fair and reasonable from a financial point of view to both Hycroft and its shareholders other than Granges.

CONTACT: Colin F. Kaiser, chairman, president & CEO of Hycroft Resources & Development Corporation, 604-687-2831

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#90235p8138 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Clifton H. Morris Jr., chairman and CEO of URCARCO, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CARS), today announced that the company has opened its first retail used car lot in San Antonio, Texas. The sales facility, which is located at 9807 San Pedro, opened for business on Saturday, Aug. 18, 1990, and currently displays 160 cars and light trucks.

"We are very excited about the potential of this new market," Morris said. "According to industry sources, San Antonio is the third largest used car market in Texas." Morris went on to say that the new facility employs approximately 25 persons, the majority of whom were hired from the San Antonio work force.

URCARCO, Inc. operates a chain of 18 "we finance" used car retail lots in Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston, Austin and San Antonio, Texas, selling quality used cars and light trucks and typically financing customer purchases.

CONTACT: Henry T. Stanley, 817-882-7008 or Robyn B. Trent, 817-882-7018, both of URCARCO

-30- 1173

#90235p8142 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - AMDURA Corp. (NYSE: ADU) today announced that it has completed the sale of operating assets of AMDURA's subsidiary Coast to Coast Stores Inc. to SERVISTAR Corp.

The assets, principally including inventory, two distribution centers and Coast to Coast's trademarks, were purchased by the newly established SERVISTAR/Coast to Coast Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of SERVISTAR. Receivables and various other assets of Coast to Coast Stores were not included in the transaction.

The cash proceeds received at closing totalled approximately $52.5 million. Coast to Coast Stores may receive additional payments under the contract of up to $6.5 million, depending on the buyer's success in

signing additional independently-owned Coast to Coast stores.

Of the funds received at closing, $39 million was paid into escrow for the benefit of the estate of Coast to Coast Stores. About $5.6 million was paid into escrow accounts to fund any payments to the buyer under the contract due to post-closing adjustments to the purchase price and any indemnity claims made during the year following the closing. A total or $7.9 million was paid to third parties to obtain clear title to certain of the assets sold or placed in escrow to fund employee benefit claims.

Proceeds from the sale, held for the benefit of the estate of Coast to Coast Stores, will remain in escrow pending settlement of the company's bankruptcy case or appropriate orders of the Bankruptcy Court. Any additional payments received by Coast to Coast Stores under the contract with SERVISTAR, as well as any escrowed funds released to Coast to Coast Stores, will be placed into the escrow account for the benefit of Coast's estate.

The original definitive agreement for the asset sale was submitted to the Bankruptcy Court, June 1, 1990 and approved by the Court July 3, 1990.

On April 2, 1990, AMDURA and its hardlines distribution subsidiaries, including Coast to Coast Stores and AMDURA National Distribution Co., filed for protection under Chapter 11 in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Denver. AMDURA's manufacturing subsidiaries, the Crosby Group Inc. and Harris Waste Managment Group Inc. were not included in the filing.

CONTACT: D. Scott Ross of AMDURA Corp., 303-377-8400 or 612-699-7700

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#90235p8144 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Centel Corp. (NYSE: CNT) announced today (Thursday) that it has signed a definitive agreement to sell its Centel Communications Systems operation to a group headed by Edward H. Lavin Jr. and William A. Merritt Jr., and it expects to complete the sale by the end of the third quarter. Details of the agreement were not revealed.

In May, Centel said it had reached a tentative agreement to sell the Communications Systems operation to the Lavin/Merritt group.

Centel had earlier announced its intention to sell its Business Systems group, which included Centel Communications Systems, Centel Federal Systems and Centel Information Systems. Centel sold its Federal Systems unit to a group of the operation's managers earlier this year. The company is still seeking bids for its Information Systems subsidiary.

Centel Communications Systems sells and services voice and data systems

across the nation that range from 20-port installations to multi-thousand-port complex private networks for commercial, governmental and institutional customers.

Chicago-based Centel Corp., which had 1989 revenues of $1.19 billion, provides local exchange telephone service through more than 1.6 million access lines in nine states; operates cellular communications franchises in 44 markets, and supplies electric power to more than 136,000 customers in two states.

CONTACT: William K. White of Centel Corp., 312-399-2735

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#90235p8145 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORD MOTOR COMPANY REPORTS U.S. SALES

DEARBORN, MICH. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company today reported the following sales figures:

	1990	1989	Pct. Change	Memo: Selling Days 1990	1989	
Total Vehicles						
Aug. 11-20	81,646	88,228	- 7.5	8	8	
Aug. 1-20	167,100	189,448	-11.8	17	17	
Jan. 1-Aug. 20	2,237,477	2,434,113	- 8.5	196	195	
Total Cars Aug. 11-20	44,143	56,543	-21.9			
Aug. 1-20	94,316	119,934	-21.4			
Jan. 1-Aug. 20	1,282,910	1,472,371	-13.3			Imported Cars
Aug. 11-20	1,737	1,523	+14.2			
Aug. 1-20	3,541	3,484	+ 1.5			
Jan. 1-Aug. 20	42,663	52,481	-19.0			Total Trucks
Aug. 11-20	37,503	31,685	+18.4			
Aug. 1-20	72,784	69,514	+ 4.7			
Jan. 1-Aug. 20	954,567	961,742	- 1.3			Light Trucks
Aug. 11-20	36,512	30,594	+19.4			
Aug. 1-20	70,762	66,279	+ 6.7			
Jan. 1-Aug. 20	924,232	922,540	- 0.3			

NOTE: Percentage changes are based on daily selling rates.

CONTACT: Joel Pitcoff, 313-337-3753, or June Larsen, 313-337-3755, both of Ford

-30- 1618
#90235p8148 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Knight-Ridder, Inc. (NYSE: KRI) today released its monthly statistical report for July and the year-to-date figures of its operations as follows:

KNIGHT-RIDDER, INC.
MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

	JULY 1990	JULY 1989	Percent Change	YEAR-TO-DATE 1990	YEAR-TO-DATE 1989	Percent Change
REVENUE ($000)						
Business Information Services	$25,666	$21,377	20.1	$182,024	$158,386	14.9
Newspaper Advertising						
Retail	$58,329	$56,569	3.1	$434,911	$433,914	0.2
General	13,506	12,710	6.3	109,533	107,478	1.9
Classi-fied	52,782	52,134	1.2	357,503	356,725	0.2
Total	$124,617	121,413	2.6	$901,947	$898,117	0.4
Circulation	$35,664	$33,299	7.1	$233,123	$222,894	4.6
AVERAGE CIRCULATION - EXCLUDING PASADENA & DETROIT (000s of copies) (A)(C)						
Morning	2,846	2,792	1.9	2,913	2,845	2.4
Evening	378	392	(3.6)	386	404	(4.5)
Sunday	4,102	4,092	0.2	4,182	4,162	0.5
ADVERTISING LINAGE (000s of six column inches) (A)(B)(C) & (D)						
Full run ROP						
Retail	1,323.2	1,389.1	(4.7)	9,759.1	10,396.1	(6.1)
General	140.5	139.5	0.7	1,111.6	1,209.7	(8.1)
Classified	1,212.6	1,229.3	(1.4)	8,166.5	8,339.9	(2.1)
Total	2,676.3	2,757.9	(3.0)	19,037.2	19,945.7	(4.6)
Factored Part Run ROP	133.1	128.3	3.7	960.2	936.5	2.5
Full Run Preprint	1,050.1	935.8	12.2	8,165.5	7,666.7	6.5
Part Run Preprint	986.3	968.1	1.9	7,927.9	8,423.0	(6.0)
TOTAL PREPRINTS INSERTED (000s)	315,014	288,478	9.2	2,249,295	2,184,625	3.0
BASIC CABLE TELEVISION SUB-SCRIBERS	308,000	292,000	5.5			

(A) -- Statistics of the Pasadena Star-News, sold on June 1, 1989, are

excluded for comparability from these schedules. Full-Run ROP linage for the Star-News for July 1989 was 289.1 for the year-to-date.

(B) -- Full run ROP linage of the joint operating agency between the Seattle Times and the Seattle Post Intelligencer was 247 for the month (up 4.1 percent from the prior year) and 1,711 for the year-to-date (up 2.7 percent from the prior year). Knight-Ridder owns 49.5 percent of the voting stock and 65 percent of the non-voting common stock of the Seattle Times. None of the linage is included in the Advertising Linage section.

(C) -- On Nov. 27, 1989, the Detroit News and the Detroit Free Press began operations under a Joint Operating Agreement as the Detroit News Agency (DNA). Revenue and linage for 1990 include 50 percent of the DNA. Revenue and linage for 1989 include Detroit Free Press only. Circulation statistics for Detroit are excluded from both years.

(D) -- Measured by individual Knight-Ridder newspapers. Where necessary, certain previously reported linage has been restated to be consistent with measurement guidelines currently in use.

CONTACT: Frank Hawkins, of Knight-Ridder, Inc., 305-376-3838

-30- 3323

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VANCOUVER, B.C. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Granges Inc. (Toronto: GXL) reports that it acquired today, by way of a private placement for investment purposes, 3,087,525 common shares of Hycroft Resources & Development Corporation. These shares, when added to the 7,863,244 common shares of Hycroft previously owned by Granges, increase Granges' ownership of Hycroft from approximately 59 percent to approximately 67 percent.

As a condition of this private placement, the independent directors of Hycroft received an opinion from Wood Gundy Inc. that the terms of the private placement are fair and reasonable from a financial point of view to both Hycroft and its shareholders other than Granges.

Granges does not own or exercise control or direction over any securities of Hycroft, except for the 10,950,769 common shares described above and Hycroft 7 percent convertible debentures maturing March 1992 in the principal amount of $670,000, presently convertible into 68,718 common shares.

CONTACT: John Toporowski of Granges Inc., 604-687-2831.

-30- 1222

#90235p8163 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALISBURY, N.C. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Food Lion's (NASDAQ-NMS: FDLN) president/CEO, Tom E. Smith, announced that Vincent G. Watkins will be its vice president in charge of Real Estate on a permanent basis. "When Bob McAuliffe, the former vice president of real estate, resigned in March, I asked Vince to take charge on an interim basis because of his previous real estate experience and education." Smith went on to say that John P. Hurley has been hired as director of Real Estate and the decision has been made to have him continue to report to Watkins.

Mr. Watkins, vice president of Special Projects and Development, has a B.S. in real estate and urban development from The American University in Washington, D.C., an MBA from the Babcock Graduate School of Management at Wake Forest University, and has been a licensed real estate broker in North Carolina since 1974. He is married and has four sons.

In addition to real estate, Mr. Watkins will continue to be responsible for organizational development, advertising, corporate communications, government relations, and special projects. He also assists in special assignments such as Governor Martin's Commission on Workforce Preparedness which Tom Smith chairs.

CONTACT: Mike Mozingo of Food Lion, Inc., 704-633-8250, Ext. 2575

-30- 1487

#90235p8167 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Sequa Corporation (NYSE: SQA) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share of class A common stock and 12.5 cents per share of class B common stock. The dividends are payable Oct. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Linda G. Kyriakou of Sequa, 212-986-5500

-30- 524

#90235p8168 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - LifeCore Biomedical, Inc., (NASDAQ: LCBM), today announced revenues of $5,227,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, compared to $4,788,000 for fiscal 1989. The 9 percent revenue increase was accompanied by a loss of $585,000 or $.11 per share, compared to net earnings of $362,000 or $.07 per share from fiscal 1989.

Revenue growth in 1990 was impacted by the loss of a major hydroxylapatite account representing 18 percent of 1989 revenues. That event was a significant factor in the losses recorded for 1990. While revenues from the company's principal hyaluronate customer remained steady, strong contributions from new hyaluronate accounts combined with sales of the new

SUSTAIN Dental Implant System reversed the major account loss and expanded revenues 9 percent. The expenses associated with establishing the infrastructure of a national sales force and an international distributor network for the SUSTAIN System were significant contributors to the 1990 deficit.

LifeCore further announced plans for expansion of its physical plant designed to enable aggressive development of the company's future business opportunities. A purchase agreement has been signed to acquire a 33 acre land parcel in Chaska, Minn., for the construction of a 66,000 square foot headquarters facility to be funded with approximately $8.0 million of Industrial Revenue Bonds. This project, expected to be completed in late 1991, will consolidate the company's current administration, sales, and manufacturing activities into a single more efficient operation. This commitment will support LifeCore's long-term vision for growth and expansion in the United States.

LIFECORE BIOMEDICAL, INC. AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARY

	Three Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenues	$1,455,000	$1,206,000
Cost of goods sold	673,000	411,000
Research and development	181,000	235,000
Marketing and sales	401,000	122,000
General and administrative	376,000	534,000
Other income (expense)	29,000	(39,000)
Net earnings (loss)	$(147,000)	$(13,000)
Net earnings (loss) per share	$(0.03)	$(0.00)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	5,200,875	5,175,561

	12 Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenues	$5,227,000	$4,788,000
Cost of goods sold	2,463,000	1,551,000
Research and development	654,000	913,000
Marketing and sales	1,336,000	411,000
General and administrative	1,543,000	1,599,000
Other income	184,000	48,000
Net earnings (loss)	$(585,000)	$362,000 (A)
Net earnings (loss) per share	$(0.11)	$0.07
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	5,193,812	5,209,851

(A) In accordance with the adoption of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the "FASB") Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 96, the provision for income taxes related to the income from operations before income taxes has been offset entirely by the benefit of utilizing

available operating loss carryforwards. The benefit attributable to the utilization of operating loss carryforwards is approximately $125,000 for the 12 months ended June 30, 1989.

CONTACT: Colleen Olson or James Bracke, 612-379-8080, both of LifeCore Biomedical

-30- 3799

#90235p8171 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPOKANE, WA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Inland Gold and Silver Corp. (NASDAQ: INGS) today announced that the company and N.A. Degerstrom Inc., 50/50 joint venturers, have offered for sale their Blackfoot Property, located near Lincoln, Mont. The project, containing 100,000 ounces of mineable gold, is in the permitting stage.

Simultaneously, Inland announced the sale of its 50 percent interest in the Bell Mountain gold project, located in Nevada, to N.A. Degerstrom Inc. who now owns 100 percent of the project.

Inland's C.E.O., James F. Etter, stated, "Based on extremely encouraging reports by Conquistador Gold Ltd. partners, noted geologists Dr. Raul Madrid and Dr. Ralph Roberts (who is the acknowledged founder of the Carlin Trend in Nevada), Inland has determined that its wholly- owned 50 square mile Toiyabe Property, located in Central Nevada, should merit the primary capital thrust of the company's efforts to increase its gold reserves. Therefore, we have sold our interest in Bell Mountain and intend to sell our 50 percent interest in the Blackfoot Project. The potential for long term reserves at Toiyabe is very favorable according to our estimates, now corroborated by respected independent consultants. At this time, we choose to expand and extend our already considerable efforts at Toiyabe on a thorough and comprehensive exploration program over the next five years."

Etter also noted that Inland has profitably sold forward 7,000 ounces of gold bullion currently held in inventory for February and April 1991 delivery for approximately $2.9 million. "This insures the company of a strong cash position for 1991," said Etter. "The company is soliciting joint venture exploration participation at the Toiyabe Property which to date has yielded 75,000 ounces of gold and generated $27 million in sales for Inland Gold and Silver Corp."

Inland is also engaged in two additional joint venture exploration projects, one near Republic, Wash., and the other in Lake County, Ore. In addition, Inland has recently acquired an exclusive lease agreement on a 2,160 acre property located 4-1/2 miles from FMC Gold Co.'s Paradise Peak Mine. Geological and geophysical work will begin immediately.

CONTACT: Robert W. O'Brien of Inland Gold and Silver Corp., 509-534-4252.

-30- 2504

#90235p8179 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Colonial Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: COGRA) announced today that Charles J. Mohr, executive vice president, had disclosed his intention to leave Colonial.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, John A. McNeice, Jr. made these comments:

"Charles Mohr has expressed his desire to seek a position as chief executive officer and to run his own firm. He informed us of his decision now to facilitate an orderly transition over the next few months and to allow him to openly seek such an opportunity.

"Charles has done a superb job here at Colonial and we are sorry to learn of his decision. We wish him well."

CONTACT: Davey S. Scoon of The Colonial Group, Inc., 617-426-3750

-30- 890

#90235p8182 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - 88open Consortium Ltd. today announced support of the agreement between AT&T's UNIX Software Labs (USL) Intel and Santa Cruz Operation (SCO) to develop a binary compatibility specification (BCS), incorporating SCO extensions. 88open supports this joint development because it allows ISVs to port their applications from the Intel ABI to the 88000 ABI by a simple recompile. This will permit end users and systems manufacturers to add SCO/Xenix- based programs to the hundreds of applications already running on 88000 platforms.

The Consortium, which is the standards-setting organization for Motorola's 88000 high-performance RISC architecture, will participate in the expected development of the IBCS to ensure the greatest level of applications portability across architectures. 88open supports the continued efforts of all UNIX system suppliers to resolve differences in programmer's specifications, and, in particular, the continued efforts to resolve a situation that has fragmented the UNIX community.

88open, in conjunction with USL and UNIX International, publishes BCS (UNIX System V.3) and ABI (UNIX System V.4) binary standards for Motorola 88000-based systems and applications. The 88open standards incorporate networking, X windows, Motif, X/Open XPG3, POSIX 1003.1, and FIPS 151.1 compliance. The Consortium offers compatibility testing and has currently certified six hardware vendors: Data General, Dolphin Server

Technology, Motorola, Opus Systems, Sanyo/Icon and Tektronix.

Both SCO and USL voiced their support for 88open's announcement. "USL supports 88open's participation in the SCO compatibility specification process, and we will work with 88open on its implementation," said Larry Dooling, president of USL (formerly the UNIX Software Operation). "88open continues to be one of the strongest supporters of UNIX System V.4. Together with 88open's existing commitment to compatibility of 88open-certified UNIX System V.3 applications with UNIX System V.4, this support ensures that their customers will be able to use the full range of open systems application software," Dooling continued.

"88open's endorsement of the SCO-compatible specification process is welcome," said Larry Michels, president and co-founder of SCO. "It's heartening to see the compatibility we've worked hard to establish on our respective platforms coming together for the greater unity of the UNIX industry as a whole," he said. "The process for publishing and maintaining the Intel BCS will be open, and we welcome the participation of all interested parties," Michels continued.

88open Consortium Ltd. is an organization of systems and software suppliers supporting Motorola's 88000 RISC architecture. The Consortium developed the UNIX Industry's first binary compatibility specification, helping to bring shrink-wrapped software to the UNIX computing environment. With more than 50 members worldwide, 88open focuses on certified portability of software applications across a wide variety of platforms and applications.

CONTACT: Steve Beedle of The Santa Cruz Operation, 408-425-7222; or Dick Muldoon of AT&T USL (UNIX System Laboratories), 201-829-7212; or Craig Frederick of Unisys, 408-434-2848; or Karlene Betts of cunningham communication, 408-436-6600, for 88open Consortium Ltd.

-30- 3597

#90235p8185 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The News Corporation Limited (NYSE: NWS) today reported results for the fourth quarter and full year ended June 1990. Highlights in U.S. dollars are noted below for holders of American Depositary Receipts (ADRs). An earnings summary for the period in U.S. dollars follows.

-- In the fourth quarter revenues rose 4.4 percent to US$1.89 billion, income before abnormal items decreased 29.3 percent to $103.2 million, and earnings per ADR decreased 23.1 percent to $.70.

-- For the year revenues increased 5.9 percent to $6.72 billion, income before abnormal items decreased 46.3 percent to $216.4 million, and

earnings per ADR decreased 39.3 percent to $1.56.

-- Excluding the effects of the investment in Sky Television and the pilots' dispute at Ansett, this year's result would have been ahead of last year.

A more comprehensive press statement, released today from The News Corporation Limited's Sydney office, also follows.

Revenues and profits stated here in U.S. dollars have been converted from foreign currencies to U.S. dollars at the average rates of exchange prevailing in each period. Accordingly, the percentage increases reported here differ from the percentage increases reported in the Australian press releases below.

The News Corporation Limited is a diversified international communications company principally engaged, through subsidiaries, in the publishing of newspapers, magazines and books, filmed entertainment operations and television broadcasting. News Corporation is also engaged in map publishing, commercial printing; magazine and book distribution; and the sale and leasing of aircraft.

The News Corporation Limited's ADRs are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, with each ADR representing two of the company's ordinary shares.

CONTACT: Marilyn Rachap of Howard J. Rubenstein Associates, 212-489-6900, for The News Corporation Limited.

-30- 2125

#90235p8187 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - When Chrysler asked its suppliers for input on cutting costs, the company was swamped with cost-saving ideas.

"We've simply been overwhelmed with your ideas and suggestions," said Robert A. Lutz, Chrysler Motors president, at the company's annual supplier dinner Wednesday at Chrysler's Proving Grounds in Chelsea, Mich.

Lutz applauded the company's top 180 suppliers for their efforts to hold down costs and for participating in Chrysler's Supplier Cost Reduction Program (SCORE).

In August 1989, top Chrysler executives kicked off the SCORE program by meeting one-on-one with senior executives at 55 key supplier companies. Suppliers were asked to identify cost-saving ideas and specifications, testing and design practices that were no longer necessary. The SCORE program focuses on reducing costs, not supplier profit margins.

"We've received more than 2,000 SCORE proposals and so far we've approved nearly 400 for implementation," Lutz said. Chrysler has saved tens of millions of dollars because of SCORE.

The beauty of the SCORE program, Lutz said, is that Chrysler costs can be cut without hurting suppliers or customers.

"In times like this, quality has to be maintained ... and costs have to be cut," Lutz said. "What better way to kill those two birds than to take the cuts, not out of somebody's hide, but out of waste and inefficiency?"

Lutz also called for a redoubling of effort by suppliers to find additional ideas to cut costs.

"If you originally submitted five ideas, but held five back -- look at that second group one more time," Lutz said.

"A lot of your SCORE ideas propose that you take on more engineering responsibilities," Lutz said. "Make sure you're ready to handle them. You can bet the Japanese and European suppliers won't cut back on research and development, even if times get worse."

CONTACT: Scott Fosgard or Tom Houston of Chrysler, 313-956-2894

-30- 2159

#90235p8188 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR) announced today that it had reached an agreement with holders of certain notes and warrants to defer payments due to such holders from Aug. 23, 1990 and Sept. 6, 1990 to Aug. 30, 1990 and Sept. 20, 1990, respectively, to enable Jacor to continue discussions with such holders and other creditors to restructure Jacor's obligations.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, currently owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

CONTACT: R. Christopher Weber or Jon M. Berry, 513-621-1300, both of Jacor Communications, Inc.

-30- 977

#90235p8189 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORCROSS, GA. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Fi-Tek III, traded over-

the-counter, announced today that it has completed its acquisition of Videoconferencing Systems, Inc., of Norcross, Ga. VSI shareholders will have substantial voting control of the combined entity, which is anticipated to be named Videoconferencing Systems, Inc. (VSI) in the near future. Fi-Tek III is a reporting company under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, is listed in Standard & Poor's and with the acquisition of VSI, is believed to be qualified under the financial criteria to be listed on NASDAQ. An application is currently in preparation, and a NASDAQ listing is expected to be accomplished within 30 days.

The company is engaged in the design, system integration, sale, and service of turnkey interactive videoconferencing systems. VSI markets system solutions that improve organizational productivity. VSI's products enable organizations to meet in real time, face-to-face, over long distance between multiple remote sites to share graphic and video motion images, using state-of-the-art, cost effective telecommunication networks to shorten decision cycles, improve product- to-market development time frames, and to develop closer linkages with key communities of interest, and client groups.

VSI was formed five years ago through the acquisition of proprietary technology of Isacomm, a subsidiary of U.S. Telecom, which subsequently became U.S. Sprint's Meeting Channel, the world's largest shared videoconference network. Since its inception, VSI has shipped over 300 systems to more than 85 major clients, and presently holds a substantial share of the videoconferencing systems integration market. Some of VSI's clients include Coca Cola, New York Life, Lockheed, Alex Brown & Sons, CSX Whirlpool, Bank of America, Arco, various U.S. Government Agencies and Department of Defense Commands, as well as international clients in Canada Europe, and Caribbean. VSI believes it currently leads the video conference market in co-marketing and distribution relationships with telecommunication organizations, such as AT&T, U.S. Sprint, U.S. West, Alltel, GTE, Telecom USA, Bell Canada, Southern Bell and others.

According to information reported in an Aug. 13, 1990 Wall Street Journal article, researchers say the market for video-telecommunication equipment could reach $100 million this year, and could grow 50 percent per year for the next several years.

Frank Knott, chairman of the board of VSI stated that "the reverse merger with Fi-Tek III will provide VSI with expanded access to the capital markets, which is expected to provide significant and timely capital support for VSI's plans for expanded operations in a market which financial anyalysts are indicating is poised for explosive growth in the next decade. Public company status should enhance our corporate strategies."

Current corporate and institutional shareholders of VSI include U.S.

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CONTACT: Frank Kramer, director of Fi-Tek, III, 303-337-1033; Francis J. Knott, chairman of the board of VSI, 404-242-7566 (Norcross, Ga.) or 301-433-7273 (Baltimore, Md.); Don Gainty for VSI, 508-896-9111

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-30- 3474

#90235p8193 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael J. Rosinski has been named executive director of investor relations at Tenneco Inc. (NYSE: TGT). In his new assignment he will be responsible for all activities and analyst contact related to the Tenneco investor relations program.

Rosinski holds a bachelors of science degree in mechanical engineering from Georgia Tech, and a masters of business administration in finance from Tulane University.

Rosinski joined Tenneco in 1968 as an engineer at Petro Tex Chemical Corporation. He moved to Tenneco Inc. in 1974 as a financial analyst, and in 1978 moved to Tenneco's oil company where he held positions of increasing responsibility including serving as director of special finance. In 1984, he was named vice president and chief financial officer of the newly formed Tenngasco Corporation, a natural gas marketer. Since 1987, he has served in the systems area for Tenneco Gas and on special assignment for Tenneco's Colombia Pipeline Project.

Tenneco Inc. is a Houston-based, diversified industrial corporation with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, shipbuilding, automotive parts, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

CONTACT: Len D'Eramo of Tenneco, 713-757-3778

-30- 1463

#90235p8194 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Chris- Craft Industries, Inc. (NYSE: CCN) today declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of 25 cents per share on the company's prior preferred stock, payable Sept. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record Sept. 14, and the regular semi-annual dividend of 70 cents per share on the company's $1.40 convertible preferred stock, payable Sept. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record Sept. 14.

The Chase Manhattan Bank is the dividend paying agent.

CONTACT: Barry S. Greene of Chris-Craft Industries, 305-946-4000

-30- 748

#90235p8196 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - At a board of directors meeting held today, The Midland Company (AMEX: MLA) declared a dividend of $.10-1/2 per common share payable Oct. 5, 1990 to holders of record as of Sept. 19, 1990.

CONTACT: Michael J. Conaton, president of The Midland Company, 513-721-3777

-30- 466

#90235p8200 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON, (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - One of the age-old winter problems facing homeowners is about to be conquered by Atlantic Petroleum, a prominent heating oil supplier serving communities throughout eastern Massachusetts.

The company is introducing its ESP communications system that will facilitate response to customers in case of severe indoor temperature drop heating malfunction or shutdown, as well as provide constant surveillance over fuel levels in storage tanks.

ESP is the acronym for Energy System Protection. In simplest terms, ESP is a combination of electronic hardware and computer circuitry that enables the system to provide 24-hour watch over the three most vital functions to heating and hot water comfort. Those are: heating burner operation, indoor temperature level, and fuel inventory.

ESP is designed to alleviate homeowner concern over cold weather plumbing freeze-ups, winter fuel inventory, and related factors.

The design and layout of an ESP installation is compact, easy to follow, and requires no interaction by anyone on the property being monitored.

A small computerized control box is mounted by an Atlantic technician atop the fuel storage tank. It is linked to the burner to monitor heating operation; to a micro sensor(s) placed upstairs to monitor indoor comfort; and to the storage tank gauge to watch over fuel level.

Should any one of these functions needs attention, ESP will relay a "quiet" signal over a telephone line to the 24-hour service watch computer at Atlantic's main depot in Boston. The service dispatcher on duty can determine the appropriate remedial action. All calls from ESP are immediately logged by the computer and tagged for appropriate response. If immediate attention is warrented, Atlantic can direct a service technician and/or fuel delivery vehicle to the site.

The alert from heating, temperature, or fuel sensor to ESP is automatic. It is achieved via state-of-the-art electronics technology.

The subsequent relay to the Atlantic computer is considered quiet, because it occurs over ordinary telephone lines and is undetectable to building occupants. Thus, no matter where a homeowner or building manager might be he or she can remain secure in the knowledge that the property is under ESP comfort watch.

ESP is on constant alert, and maintains the capacity to signal the computer during electrical power failure. Should an occupant be using the telephone line, ESP will always re-dial until connection is made with the Atlantic host computer.

At the receiving end, each ESP alert appears on the host computer screen as a message prompt showing the property location, and precise nature of the ESP call at hand. The account name, number, and contact person will also appear. In this manner, Atlantic can access the most recent service record and fuel delivery data for that account as a guide to resolving the problem.

One ESP control unit can be linked to multiple sensors, and thus can serve as a central monitor to modular heating and hot water systems where multiple units may be serving a large number of occupants (such as in an apartment building or condominium).

There are no costs for power consumption by ESP because it's powered by a standard 9-volt battery with average two-year life. ESP alerts the host computer when the battery needs replacement.

ESP installation is performed by Atlantic technicians and takes about 30 minutes at most homes. Atlantic Petroleum is now offering ESP to existing customers at the introductory rate of $135.50. (There are no recurring monthly charges for ESP monitoring). Customers must be on automatic delivery status.

ESP has recently been introduced to the Boston marketplace by Atlantic, with a number of installations to date. Further information may be obtained from Matthew Cardillo or Thomas Kilbride at Atlantic Petroleum, Boston, 617-889-7200.

CONTACT: Thomas Kilbride of Atlantic Petroleum, 617-889-7200; or Lee Yaffa of Greystone Services for Atlantic Petroleum, 617-593-0177

-30- 4294

#90235p8204 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

LUND, Sweden (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Gambro AB (NASDAQ: GAMBY) said today that the group's income after net financial items for the first six months of 1990 were SEK 212.1 million or US$35.1 million(A), up 24 percent over the corresponding period in 1989 (SEK 171.2 million).

During this period, operating income of the group increased 28 percent to SEK 274.6 million or US$45.5 million (1989: SEK 214.0 million). Calculated on the basis of comparable units, sales rose 12 percent over the first half of 1989 to SEK 1,784.8 million or US$295.5 million (1989: SEK 1,543.3 million). The group's operating margin improved 1.5 percentage units to 15.4 percent. The improvement in operating margin was attributable to the favorable development of Gambro's primary markets and a restrained cost trend.

Earnings per share, based on the full-tax method, increased 21 percent and totaled SEK 5.10 or US$0.84 (1989: SEK 4.21). NOTE: One American Depositary Receipt corresponds to one non-restricted "B" share.

Net income in accordance with US GAAP for the first six months of 1990 amounted to SEK 103.5 million (US$17.1 million) as compared with SEK 81.3 million for the same period in 1989. Earnings per share in accordance with US GAAP was SEK 4.52 (US$.75) as compared with SEK 3.55.

Acquisition of Cobe Laboratories Effective June 18, 1990, Gambro acquired the American medical technology company, Cobe Laboratories Inc. for a total purchase price of approximately US$253 million.

The company, which is headquartered in Lakewood, Colo., develops, manufactures and markets machines and disposable articles for application within the areas of heart surgery, autotransfusion, patient monitoring, plasmapheresis, blood donation and dialysis. Cobe's product range includes heart-lung machines, membrane oxygenators, dialysis machines, blood lines and equipment for blood component technology. Cobe has manufacturing plants in Colorado, Mexico, West Germany, Great Britain and Italy.

Cobe's sales and net profit in 1989 amounted to US$237.9 million and US$9.8 million, respectively. The company has a total of approximately 2,200 employees.

The acquisition of Cobe means that the Gambro Group is provided with two new business areas -- heart surgery and blood component technology -- to complement its present renal care and intensive care/anesthesia business areas.

At the Gambro annual general meeting held on May 17, shareholders approved the proposal submitted by the Gambro board to make a new issue of a maximum of 4 million non-restricted B shares in order to partly finance the Cobe acquisition and increase the availability of Gambro's non-restricted shares in the international stock market.

During the spring, Gambro received the approval of the Swedish government to implement a change in the company's articles of association to enable a maximum of 46 percent (previously 40 percent) of the share capital and 24 percent (previously 20 percent) of the voting rights to be held by non-Swedish shareholders.

On July 3 and 4, Gambro made an issue of 4 million non-restricted B shares directed at the international market, which was oversubscribed. With a price per share of SEK 145.92, the offer carried a total market value of SEK 584 million (US$96.7 million). The new issue represents approximately 15 percent of Gambro's increased share capital.

Markets and products Sales in Western Europe, particularly in markets located in the south, have continued to develop favorably during the year.

The American subsidiary, Gambro-Hospal Inc., will be integrated within Cobe's dialysis division, with the aim of achieving more efficient coordination of manufacturing and sales of dialysis products in the U.S. market.

Capital expenditures and financial position During the first six months of the year, Gambro's capital expenditures totaled SEK 99.4 million (1989: SEK 77.8 million). Cash and cash equivalents, excluding granted but unutilized lines of credit, have increased since the beginning of the year by SEK 244.8 million or and at June 30, 1990 totaled SEK 581.3 million. Following the completion of the new issue and the amortization of goodwill directly against shareholders' equity in the amount of SEK 700 million, the equity to assets ratio on June 30 was approximately 24 percent.

Income trend for 1990 Berthold Lindqvist, president and chief executive officer, commented: "The acquisition of Cobe Laboratories, which is consolidated in the group effective June 19, will provide substantial synergistic effects and is of major strategic importance to Gambro.

"It is expected that the Gambro Group's favorable income trend will continue throughout 1990." He further stated, "The acquisition of Cobe will affect earnings per share for the year. The earnings per share are therefore expected to change marginally compared to the preceding year."

(A) Translation rate SEK 6.04 equal US$1.00.

GAMBRO AB

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(SEK in millions)

	Six Months Ended 6/30		12 Months Ended
	1990	1989	1989
Revenues:			
Sales	1,784.8	1,543.3	3,103.0
Other operating revenues	4.2	10.1	20.9
Total revenues	1,789.0	1,553.4	3,123.9
Costs & expenses:			
Costs of goods sold, excluding depreciation	(853.0)	(761.7)	(1,533.8)
Research & development exps.	(89.6)	(88.0)	(168.8)
Selling, general & admin. exps.	(480.6)	(414.1)	(841.4)
Depreciation & amortization	(91.2)	(75.6)	(161.1)
Operating income	274.6	214.0	418.8
Financial items: Currency gains/losses	(6.2)	4.4	5.1
Net interest	(56.3)	(47.2)	(95.7)
Income before income taxes	212.1	171.2	328.2
Income taxes	(95.4)	(74.8)	(129.5)
Net income	116.7	96.4	198.7

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8/23/90 /CONTACT: Mats Wahlstrom, chief financial officer, 011-46-46-169268, or Inger Larsson, 011-46-46-169167, both of Gambro, or Jennifer R. Well or Ken Donenfeld, both of D. F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for Gambro/

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#90235p8211 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

TWINSBURG, OHIO (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Revco D.S., Inc., today announced it has reached an agreement to sell 146 of its retail drug stores in Texas New Mexico, Arizona and Colorado to RDS Acquisition Corp. RDS is a corporation formed by a group of veteran retail drug store executives, which will be financed by Court Square Capital, Ltd., and other institutional investors. Purchase price for the transaction was not disclosed.

Once successfully completed, the proposed transaction with RDS will complete the 712-store divestiture program that Revco announced on Jan. 26 1990.

Revco is currently operating under provisions of Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. The sale of stores to RDS is subject to certain conditions, such as approval by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court. A hearing on the sale is set for Sept. 11, 1990.

The sales agreement also calls for RDS to lease the Revco distribution center in Glendale, Ariz.

Boake A. Sells, Revco chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Our divestiture program has been proceeding on schedule and on target, and we hope for a smooth completion of this sale. I commend the people of Revco in these states for their patience during a process which has been far from easy."

Sells also noted that Revco had recently closed on its previously announced sale of 223 stores to Jack Eckerd Corp. and sale of Alabama stores and inventory to Big B and Harco Drug. In addition, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court approved the sale of Revco's Arkansas stores to Affiliated Food Stores on Aug. 14, and transfer of possession of those stores to Affiliated will occur in the last week of August.

In January, Revco said it will focus growth, build market share and enhance competitive position by reducing its store base to 1,100- plus drugstores in 10 contiguous eastern states accounting for 64 percent of chain sales.

Revco will concentrate future growth in these 10 states where its stores provide the greatest return on assets: Georgia, Maryland, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, eastern Tennessee (metropolitan Chattanooga and east), West Virginia, and Virginia.

Revco, one of the nation's foremost drugstore chains, is a privately held company based in Twinsburg, Ohio.

CONTACT: Diana Lueptow of Revco D.S., Inc., 216-425-9811, ext. 6145; or 216-487-1060 after hours; or Al Towle of RDS, 301-263-9679

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#90235p8213 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Sierra Club issued the following:

The Sierra Club today denounced Rep. Denny Smith's (R-Ore.) "Special Update on the Environment" as full of half-truths designed to mislead voters on his environmental record.

The mailing was paid for by taxpayers using his congressional franking

privileges.

"On the basis of a couple of isolated votes, Congressman Smith's mailing would lead you to believe he is a protector of the environment when nothing could be farther from the truth," said Liz Frenkel of the Sierra Cub Oregon Chapter. "He is trying to pull the wool over constituents' eyes and cover up a dismal record of consistent votes against the environment."

"Rep. Smith has finally caught on that his constituents care about a safe, clean environment. This recent mailing blatantly distorts his voting record to draw attention away from years of actions against the environment and the public interest," said Reid Wilson, Sierra Club national political director. "He has in fact been a consistent opponent of environmental protection and clean-up."

Some of Rep. Smith's anti-environmental feats include:

-- He has compiled an extremely poor pro-environment vote rating of only 6-25 percent during his years in Congress, according to the non-partisan League of Conservation Voters.

-- He voted for a key weakening amendment and against the Sikorski-Green strengthened automobile warranties amendment to the 1990 Clean Air Act. Environmentalists prevailed and Smith was in the losing minority on these clean air votes prior to the overwhelming final passage of the House Clean Air Act.

-- He voted in 1989 to deny the state of Oregon, and all states, the right to set tougher standards for oil spill liability than provided by federal law. Environmentalists prevailed and Smith was in the losing minority on this important oil spill legislation that followed in the wake of the Exxon Valdez disaster.

-- He has consistently voted against holding oil companies liable for the damage done by oil spills.

-- He was one of only two members of the Oregon delegation to support offshore oil development. He voted the pro-drilling position 11 times.

-- Smith was one of only 16 to vote against final passage of the Endangered Species Act.

-- He opposed an amendment to establish a Victims Compensation Fund to compensate people exposed to hazardous wastes and voted in favor of restricting people's ability to sue firms that improperly dispose of hazardous waste.

-- He voted against the water pollution control act and against renewing the safe drinking water act. He voted to allow 40 cities to postpone meeting sewage treatment requirements.

-- Rep. Smith voted against a ban on the dumping of plastics in the world's oceans by ships.

The Sierra Club has endorsed Mike Kopetski for Oregon's fifth congressional district representative. Kopetski is challenging incumbent Denny Smith.

CONTACT: Liz Frenkel of the Sierra Club Oregon Chapter, 503-754-6790, or Reid Wilson of the Sierra Club, 202-675-7906

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#90235p8217 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors dealers in the United States today reported the following vehicle sales:

	Period		Month		Calendar Year(a)	
	Aug. 11-20		Aug. 1-20		Jan. 1-Aug. 20	
	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Vehicles	118,753	126,678	231,020	270,499	3,313,546	3,405,626
Percent Change Per S/D	-6.3	---	-14.6	---	-2.7	---
Total Cars	74,408	83,075	144,223	174,362	2,194,227	2,305,334
Percent Change Per S/D	-10.4	---	-17.3	---	-4.8	---
Total Trucks	44,345	43,603	86,797	96,137	1,119,319	1,100,292
Percent Change Per S/D	+1.7	---	-9.7	---	+1.7	---

	Period		Month		Calendar Year	
Division	Aug. 11-20		Aug. 1-20		Jan. 1-Aug. 20	
Total Vehicles	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989
Chevrolet	66,361	66,116	131,706	145,719	1,791,005	1,784,461
Pontiac	14,757	15,062	29,104	31,965	438,115	459,081
Oldsmobile	10,531	14,359	20,160	29,774	348,720	398,356
Buick	11,970	15,929	22,641	30,248	339,593	356,021
Cadillac	5,570	5,872	9,480	12,565	163,107	165,154
GMC	9,564	9,340	17,929	20,228	233,006	242,553
Domestic Sales						
Cars	70,097	78,013	135,708	162,323	2,069,373	2,192,816
Lt. Duty Trucks	43,177	42,618	84,995	93,697	1,094,473	1,070,219

NOTE: Eight selling days (S/D) in the Aug. 11-20 period this year and last year; Seventeen selling days for Aug. 1-20 period this year and last year.

(a) - Year to year percent change is not adjusted for selling days.

CONTACT: Terrence Sullivan, (313) 556-2019, or Karen Longridge, (313) 556-2035, both of General Motors Corporation.

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#90235p8219 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Margo Nursery Farms, Inc. (NASDAQ: MRGO) announced today that it has formed a new wholly owned subsidiary, Margo Imports B.V., which will be based in the Netherlands.

Margo Imports B.V. will be managed by Johan Dijkxhoorn, an executive who has been involved in the ornamental plant business for several years, and most recently with Shemex B.V., a Dutch company originally founded by the Weyerhaeuser Company.

Margo Imports B.V. will market products from the company's nurseries in Florida, Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic. The new subsidiary also intends to negotiate marketing contracts with other nurseries located around the world. Margo Plants B.V. expects to begin shipping products to customers in Western Europe by Sept. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: Michael J. Spector or Jorge L. Aldecoa of Margo Nursery Farms, Inc., 305-255-0550.

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#90235p8227 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of American Petrofina Inc. (AMEX: APIA), meeting today in Dallas, declared a quarterly dividend of 80 cents per share on the Class "A" and Class "B" Common Stock of the company. The dividend is payable Sept. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 4, 1990.

American Petrofina Inc., through its main operating subsidiary Fina Oil and Chemical Co., engages in crude oil and natural gas exploration, production, and marketing; petroleum products refining, supply and transportation and marketing; and chemicals manufacturing and marketing. Organized in 1956, it is a part of an international group of companies affiliated with Petrofina S.A. headquartered in Brussels, Belgium.

CONTACT: Rick Hagar of American Petrofina Inc., 214-750-2902

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#90235p8230 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH HIGHLANDS, CALIF. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Michigan General Corporation (MGC) announced today that MGC and its wholly owned subsidiary Diamond Lumber, Inc. have filed petitions for protection from creditors under Title 11 of the United States Code (the Bankruptcy Code). These petitions were filed in the United States Bankruptcy Court in Sacramento, Calif.

MGC is a holding company and Diamond is its only operating subsidiary. Diamond is primarily engaged in the sale of lumber and building materials through 21 operating lumberyards located in California, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut and Nevada.

MGC and Diamond previously filed petitions under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in 1987. The resulting reorganization plan was confirmed in 1988.

Bernard Kritzer, chairman of the board of MGC, stated that several conditions led to the current filing of the petitions, including a downturn in construction activity in Diamonds key markets and the failure to obtain new capital for Diamond's operations. Kritzer stated that the filing of the petitions was necessary to preserve for creditors the value of MGC's and Diamond's assets.

Kritzer stated that offers have been received from unaffiliated parties to purchase some of Diamond's operating lumberyards, certain MGC assets and some of Diamond's non-operating assets. It is the current intention of MGC and Diamond to ask the bankruptcy court for authorization to incur secured indebtedness under Section 364(c) of the Bankruptcy Code. If allowed, these funds will be used for operating expenses of MGC and Diamond during the period in which the assets of these companies are liquidated.

MGC's petition has been designated Case No. 90-25479-T-11 and Diamond's has been designated Case No. 90-25478-T-11. MGC and Diamond continue to own and operate their assets as debtors-in-possession pursuant to Section 1107 and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.

CONTACT: Bernard Kritzer, chairman of the board of Michigan General, 214-247-3800

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#90235p8231 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOWELL, MA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - William P. Ferry will join Wang Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: WAN) effective Aug. 27, 1990 as senior vice

president, applications, to lead Wang's seven applications engineering teams in their efforts to deliver industry-specific, application-based solutions that respond to customer needs in Wang's key markets.

Ferry had been vice president, enterprise integration services, at Digital Equipment Corporation. He was responsible for professional software services, custom hardware, customer training and systems integration in the United States, a nearly billion-dollar business with 6,500 employees.

"Bill Ferry's experience as head of an organization whose role was to create specific applications for customers, customer groups and markets, and his success in leading that organization's transition from being technology-driven to customer-driven is the exact set of skills Wang requires as we refocus our efforts on customer needs," said Richard W. Miller, Wang's chairman and chief executive officer.

At Wang, Ferry will report to Horace Tsiang, executive vice president and chief development officer, and will be a member of the Worldwide Sales and Marketing Council. He assumes a role similar to that held by Ken Olisa, senior vice president, before Olisa was appointed general manager of Wang's operations in Europe, Africa and the Middle East in March.

"We announced that Wang would become a customer-driven organization last November when we unveiled Operation Customer. We began our efforts to deliver on that promise with the reorganization of our research and development organization and the creation of applications and platform engineering teams in December. As head of the applications teams, Bill Ferry will help us to complete Wang's transition into a completely customer-driven and customer-responsive organization," stated Tsiang.

Ferry said, "Wang has always had leadership technology. With the company's renewed focus on the customer and its commitment to engineer and deliver application-based solutions, I am convinced it will succeed in the 1990's. I look forward to contributing to Wang's return to its position as an industry leader."

A 12-year veteran of Digital, Ferry established the company's entry into the systems integration business and also melded three separate functions into a single nationwide organization as vice president, enterprise integration services. In a previous position as vice president, U.S. Software Services, Ferry established applications centers for technology throughout the country and a field-based applications engineering organization to focus on customer needs.

His career at Digital began in 1978, where he established the initial plans and led the development of the worldwide software product services business and developed the concepts that fostered the creation of enterprise integration services. From 1976 through 1978, he was employed

by Texas Instruments.

Ferry received his A.B. in economics, cum laude, from Harvard University and his M.B.A. in marketing and finance from the Amos Tuck School of Business Administration at Dartmouth College. He lives in Framingham, Mass.

CONTACT: Ed Pignone, 508-967-4912, or Gail Jackson, 508-967-4144, both of Wang Labs

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#90235p8233 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Cyprus Minerals Co. (NYSE: CYM) announced that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend at its board meeting Thursday in Chicago. The dividend of 20 cents per share is to be paid on Nov. 1, 1990 to shareholders of Cyprus common stock of record on Oct. 11, 1990, and a dividend of $0.9375 per share is to be paid on Nov. 1, 1990 to shareholders of Cyprus $3.75 Convertible Exchangeable Preferred Stock, Series B, of record on Oct. 11, 1990.

Cyprus Minerals, headquartered in Englewood, Colo., is a major producer of copper, molybdenum, lithium, coal, and talc.

CONTACT: Mike Rounds of Cyprus Minerals Co., 303-643-5186

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#90235p8234 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

UPPSALA, Sweden (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - At its first meeting, the board of directors designate of Pharmacia Biosystems AB has taken decisions on its organization and the implementation of a comprehensive cost reduction program in Pharmacia Diagnostics AB and Pharmacia LKB Biotechnology AB. Pharmacia Biosystems AB forms part of the Procordia Group's health care sector.

Pharmacia Biosystems AB, with annual sales of approximately SEK 4 billion and about 5,500 employees, consists of four operating companies: Pharmacia Diagnostics AB; Pharmacia LKB Biotechnology AB; Pharmacia Deltec Inc.; and Pharmacia Biosensor AB.

President and CEO of the group is Rolf Classon. Erik Danielsson, executive vice president of Procordia AB, is chairman of the board of directors designate.

The profitability of Pharmacia Diagnostics AB (DIA) and Pharmacia LKB Biotechnology AB (BTG) has deteriorated sharply and is unsatisfactory. Therefore, the company said, it is necessary to take prompt cost reduction

measures. The measures will be directed toward attaining higher cost-effectiveness in production, in the marketing organizations and in administration.

The decision indicates improvement in income on the order of at least MSEK 500 totally in BTG and DIA. The corrective measures will be fully implemented during 1992. However, substantial effects will be attained as early as 1990-1991.

CONTACT: Rolf Classon, president Pharmacia Biosystems AB, +46-18-16-32-14 or Soren Densjo of Pharmacia AB, +46-18-16-30-76, or Magnus Moliteus, president of Pharmacia Inc., 201-457-8001.

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#90235p8235 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAKLAND, CALIF. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Mary Ann Wright has raised 21 children, 12 of her own and nine foster children. But in a very real sense, Mary Ann Wright has been a mother to hundreds of the Bay area's poor and forgotten. She has fed, clothed and brought bedding to the needy every Saturday for 11 years in Oakland's Jefferson Park.

Because of her years of selfless work to make her home town a better place Ben & Jerry's is celebrating Mary Ann Wright's selfless life of giving with its 1,000 Pints Of Light Award, Tuesday, Aug. 28, at noon at Jefferson and 11th streets. Ben & Jerry's co-founder, Jerry Greenfield, will be there to give Mary Ann Wright her 1,000 Pints of Light.

"This is richer than rich," Wright said after hearing about her award. "We've had such great support from the Bay area people and media and now this. We've been blessed to be able to feed the Bay area's hungry and not miss a Saturday in the 11 years we've been doing it. Now if we can just reach our goal of getting a shelter for our homeless we will be the brightest light shining in America."

"It should be quite a festive scene unloading Mary Ann's 1,000 Pints of Light. We are very impressed with the incredible work she's done over the years," Greenfield said.

"We started the 1,000 Pints Of Light Award program to recognize people who most stick their necks out to help others," said Ben Cohen, chairman and co-founder of Ben & Jerry's. Ben & Jerry's is assisted in the program by the Giraffe Project, a national, non-profit organization based in Langley, Wash., that encourages people to stick their their neck out. Mary Ann Wright has been designated a Giraffe.

Ben & Jerry's Light comes in seven flavors and has 40 percent less cholesterol than Ben & Jerry's original ice cream recipe.

CONTACT: Rob Michalak of Ben & Jerry's, 802-244-6957

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#90235p8238 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Reuters announced that the following letter from Michael Cooling, manager of corporate relations, has been sent to the Financial Times in response to an article contained in that newspaper's Companies and Markets section of today's date:

I refer to the article published in your newspaper on 23 August 1990 under the headline "Reuters shares take a beating."

The article extensively quotes a privately circulated newsletter called Trading Systems Technology. The information abstracted from that newsletter is inaccurate and damaging to the commercial interests of Reuters insofar as it makes unfounded allegations about the new Dealing 2000 automated matching product for the foreign exchange market.

The new dealing product is a secure system designed to minimize disruption to trading activity caused by communications or hardware faults. We are confident we have reduced the possibility of broken trades to a level that can be effectively dealt with by our central transaction desk within approximately one minute of their occurrence. A future enhancement will effectively automate this process so that it can be completed within a few seconds.

The allegation that a dealer's bid or offer would be kept in the system for a minute after the failure of his Dealing 2000-2 terminal is false. In these circumstances, bids and offers are automatically removed from the system virtually instantaneously.

CONTACT: Robert A. Crooke of Reuters America, 212-603-3587

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#90235p8241 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOMS RIVER, N.J. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Grayhound Electronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: GRAY) announced today that it was not named as a defendant in the complaint against its chairman of the board. Grayhound's chairman denies any wrongdoing.

The company is reviewing the documents and denies any wrongdoing or knowledge of any wrongdoing by its chairman. Grayhound is continuing its day-to-day operations in the ordinary course of business.

CONTACT: Thomas Ricci, president of Grayhound Electronics,

201-341-5200

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#90235p8246 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pacific Stock Exchange today announced the exclusive listing and commencement of trading of the common stock of ATC Environmental Inc. (PSE: AEI). The company's stock began trading on Aug. 15, 1990.

Based in New York, the company was founded in 1982 as an independent analytical testing laboratory, and is now a national environmental consulting firm providing assessment, monitoring, training, and analytical services for asbestos abatement and environmental projects. Clients of ATC include financial institutions, commercial real estate owners, insurance companies, government agencies, educational institutions, developers, contractors, and the military.

CONTACT: Roy Berces, 415-393-4188; or Brian Scott-Murray, 415-393-4162, both of the Pacific Stock Exchange

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#90235p8247 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Graco Inc. (NYSE: GGG) today announced that it has received contracts for approximately $9.4 million for the design, manufacture, and installation of two robotic finishing lines and paint circulating equipment for the Chrysler Jefferson North Assembly Plant in Detroit.

The company's wholly owned subsidiary, Graco Robotics, Inc. (GRI), of Livonia, Mich., will supply 21 EDX-1 electric painting robot systems for the two finishing lines, which will apply base coat and clear coat finishes to new sports utility vehicles. GRI will also supply system controls, as well as hood, deck, and door openers.

Design and engineering work is already underway, with installation expected to be completed in 1992.

Paint circulating equipment for the project will be delivered by Graco's Circulating Systems business unit, located in Farmington Hills, Mich., in conjunction with Power Process Piping, Inc. of Plymouth, Mich.

"Graco is pleased to again be selected by Chrysler to supply high- quality robotic systems and circulating equipment," said David A. Koch, chairman and CEO. "Our company's continued reputation as a leading supplier of automation and circulating systems for automotive manufacturers was helpful in obtaining this order."

Graco Inc. supplies technology and expertise for the management of fluids in both commercial and industrial settings. The company manufactures and markets systems and equipment to move, measure, control, dispense and apply fluid materials. A recognized leader in its specialties, Minneapolis-based Graco serves customers around the world in the manufacturing, processing, construction and maintenance industries.

CONTACT: Roger King, 612-623-6700 or David Schoeneck, 612-623-6679, both of Graco Inc.

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#90235p8249 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHESDA, MD. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Martin Marietta Corporation (NYSE: ML) has been selected by the U.S. Army Strategic Defense Command to negotiate a contract to design and test a Ground-Based Interceptor (GBI) concept and technology integration.

A kinetic energy system concept for the Strategic Defense Initiative, GBI will be designed to destroy enemy ballistic missiles by force of impact during the mid-course phase of flight, or just before they re-enter the atmosphere.

The contract, which is expected to exceed $100 million, calls for the design, fabrication and test of Martin Marietta's concept for the GBI, which is a derivative of the company's Space-Based Interceptor (SBI) developed for the Strategic Defense Initiative.

"The GBI will meet the difficult challenge of distinguishing between the re-entry vehicles and the decoys that could be dispensed from ballistic missiles," said Richard B. Caime, vice president for SDI at Martin Marietta Missile Systems at Orlando, where the work will be performed. "We have demonstrated the technology necessary to accomplish that task, significantly reducing the risk involved in this development."

In two related Air Force tests last year, Martin Marietta successfully demonstrated a seeker and electronics package capable of locating targets by using the heat from their rocket plumes as a reference. Lightweight structures and advanced control devices developed for the Space-Based Interceptor also will be applied to this newest contract.

The Army awarded 15 study contracts in the summer of 1989 for research on various elements of GBI, including a $405,000 award to Martin Marietta for work on the interceptor technologies. During the current phase, the Strategic Defense Command will develop and validate the GBI concept for full-scale development, which may include more than one contractor.

CONTACT: Doug McCurrach of Martin Marietta, 407-356-2211

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#90235p8252 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

GARDENA, CA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - American Honda today reported second 10-day sales figures for domestic built automobiles for August 1990:

	Honda Division	
	1990	1989
Domestic (2nd 10-day)	12,323	9,732
Civic	5,209	4,388
Accord	7,114	5,344
Domestic (20-day)	19,940	18,734
Civic	8,736	8,891
Accord	11,204	9,843
Domestic (Year-to-date)	302,311	245,642
Civic	127,695	110,835
Accord	174,616	134,807

CONTACT: Kurt Antonius of American Honda Motor Co. Inc., 213-604-2584

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#90235p8253 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - USG Corporation (NYSE: USG) today announced the election of Jerre Lee Stead, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Square D Company, to its board of directors. His appointment is effective Oct. 1, 1990, and fills a vacancy left by the retirement of a USG executive and board member.

The 47-year-old Stead joined Square D in 1987 as president and chief operating officer and was elected to the additional positions of chief executive officer and chairman of the board in 1989. Prior to joining Square D, Stead spent 21 years with Honeywell Corporation in a variety of executive capacities including positions in international and domestic marketing, sales, production, finance and general management.

Stead is vice chairman of the board of governors of the National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA), and a member of the boards of directors of Elco Corporation of Rockford, Ill., TJ International, Inc. of Boise, Idaho, and Eljer Industries of Plano, Texas.

USG Corporation is a Fortune 200 building products manufacturer based in Chicago. Square D Company is a worldwide leader in industrial control and electrical distribution products, systems and services.

CONTACT: Scott Horne of USG, 312-606-3863

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#90235p8254 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Carroll Publishing announced today that it is introducing the most comprehensive DoD and NASA contracting information service available, MAP -- Military Awards Profile -- to give users the critical edge in a highly competitive defense marketplace.

Headed up by Carol Majdalany and Frank Dahm -- the ground-breaking developers of the original concept -- Carroll's MAP streamlines an information-gathering process that its competitors haven't yet mastered.

Unlike the services that rely solely upon the Federal Procurement Data Center (FPDC) tapes, MAP integrates in one record all information currently available about a contract: the basic FPDC data plus essential information from the Commerce Business Daily, the Department of Defense daily contract reports (Blue Tops), and other vital sources. And because MAP is under the direction of recognized experts in the field, it is the most clearly detailed, the most reliable and the cleanest data available through any service.

Users get the most complete information available any where -- yet pricing is competitive.

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#90235p8255 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
TORRANCE, CALIF. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Motor Sales, USA Inc. today announced combined domestic Corolla and Camry sales of 10,444 (4,387 Corollas and 6,057 Camrys) for the second 10 days of August compared to last year's figure of 6,300 (2,226 Corollas and 4,074 Camrys).

Toyota's calendar year-to-date domestic sales total 222,302 vs. 116,176 sold a year ago.

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#90235p8262 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
GREENWICH, CONN. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Pursuant to the Gabelli Equity Trust Inc.'s (NYSE: GAB) 10 percent distribution policy, the board of directors has authorized declaration today of a $0.25 per share quarterly dividend to be made payable on Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 14.

The Gabelli Equity Trust Inc. will make distributions at the end of each calendar quarter. The fund will distribute $0.25 per share in each of the first three quarters. The final year-end payment will be the difference between these three payments and 10 percent of net asset value as computed or such greater amount as is required to maintain the fund's status as a regulated investment company under the Internal Revenue Code.

The Gabelli Equity Trust is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company whose primary objective is long-term growth of capital.

CONTACT: Annemarie Gilly of Gabelli Equity Trust, 203-625-0665, or Brian Maddox of Georgeson & Co., 212-440-9862, for Gabelli

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#90235p8263 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Neutrogena Corporation (NASDAQ: NGNA) today reported earnings for its third quarter ended July 31, 1990 of $4,002,000, or $.15 per share, on record sales of $52,213,000. For the comparable prior year period, earnings were $6,334,000, or $.24, on sales of $47,604,000.

For the current nine-month period, Neutrogena's net income totaled $14,077,000, or $.53 per share, on sales of $153,834,000. A year ago, net income for the nine months equalled $21,357,000, or $.80 per share, on sales of $147,699,000. Included in net income for the prior year nine

months is $345,000, or $.01 per share, reflecting the cumulative effect on prior years of adopting SFAS No. 96, Accounting for Income Taxes.

"While the timing and magnitude of advertising, promotional expenses and trade allowances restrained earnings for the third quarter, we are extremely pleased to see a return in sales growth," said Lloyd E. Cotsen, Neutrogena's president and chief executive officer. "We are enjoying strong sales momentum in Europe and appear to be nearing the end of significant, broad-based retailer inventory cutbacks in the U.S. Additionally, our new shampoo and conditioner products for permed and color-treated hair are now reflecting solid repeat business."

Cotsen added: "As I mentioned at the end of our first half, I believe that our second half year-to-year financial results will improve from our first half performance -- and I still think that. While I expect annual sales to reach a new record, earnings are currently expected to be below last year. This apparent break in our historic earnings growth pattern, while disappointing, has not diminished the very positive image of our products nor what we still see as Neutrogena's strong, yet underdeveloped, consumer franchise."

Cotsen noted that the company is still pursuing the hiring of several new executives "to fill critically important positions." He said, "Combined with our talents already inhouse, our team will be ready for exciting growth in earnings and sales for years to come."

Neutrogena Corporation, headquartered in Los Angeles, manufactures and sells high-quality, premium-priced specialty skin and hair care products.

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#90235p8264 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) (Conrail) will deliver its grade crossing safety message to the New York State Fair in Syracuse this year by sponsoring a special Operation Lifesaver Train.

Operation Lifesaver is a national grade crossing safety program co-sponsored by the nation's railroads and federal, state, and local government agencies, and civic organizations.

The train will leave Amtrak's Exchange Street Station in Buffalo on Tuesday, August 28, and make stops at Lancaster, Corfu, Batavia, Churchville, Chili Center, Henrietta, Pittsford, Fairport, Lyons and

Savannah, arriving at the Fair Grounds at 4.15 p.m. At Buffalo and each stop, officials of New York Operation Lifesaver, Conrail and local cities will use the train's observation car platform for brief ceremonies marking Operation Lifesaver/Rail Highway Safety Awareness Week.

Conrail made the arrangements for the special train in cooperation with the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee, the New York State Operation Lifesaver committee, and the state's motor vehicle and transportation departments.

"Conrail is proud to be part of the Operation Lifesaver program, and commends the State of New York for its dedication to safety awareness," said James A. Hagen, Conrail's chairman, president and chief executive officer. "Conrail works closely with federal, state and local officials to make grade crossings as safe as possible, but these efforts are in vain if motorists and pedestrians do not heed the warning signals at railroad crossings. Conrail's message to the public is 'don't try to beat the train, it is a deadly game with no winners,'" said Hagen.

The special train will include two Conrail locomotives, two passenger coaches and the observation car. It will be operated by Conrail employees.

Ceremonies are scheduled to be held at the Amtrak Depot on Exchange Street in Buffalo at 8:30 a.m; Sheldon Avenue in Lancaster at 9:15 a.m.; Snipery Road in Corfu at 9:50 a.m.; State Route 63 in Batavia at 10:25 a.m.; Jericho Road in Churchville at 11 a.m.; Chili Avenue in Chili Center at 12 noon; West Henrietta Road in Henrietta at 12:35 p.m.; Monroe Avenue in Pittsford at 1:10 p.m.; Main Street in Fairport at 1:40 p.m.; Leech Road in Lyons at 2:40 p.m.; Spoors Road in Savannah at 3:15 p.m.; and at the State Fair in Syracuse at 4:15 p.m.

CONTACT: Robert L. Libkind or Patricia Linskey of Conrail, 215-977-4594

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#90235p8266 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines today announced the first frequent traveler offer which will provide scheduled flights exclusively for the purpose of fulfilling free travel rewards during peak travel periods when flyers want to go.

The new program, "Business Break," provides two free roundtrip tickets to Honolulu, Cancun, St. Thomas or St. Croix to business flyers who take just seven roundtrips on Eastern between Sept. 2, 1990 and March 1, 1991.

Eastern said the program differs from standard industry frequent flyer

programs in two principle ways. First, Eastern will dedicate 100 percent of the seats on exclusive flights to "Business Break" destinations between Dec. 14 and April 14. Second, Eastern requires seven roundtrips for two free tickets, compared to the standard industry reward level of 80,000 miles -- between 25 and 40 roundtrips -- for two tickets.

"Frequent travelers throughout the industry are frustrated because opportunities to redeem frequent flyer mileage credits to the most popular destinations during the peak season are difficult to find," said George Brennan, senior vice president-marketing. "We're making thousands of seats available on dedicated aircraft to these prime vacation spots for those who fly with us regularly during the fall and winter."

Eastern's "Business Break" reward charter flights depart Atlanta on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays between Dec. 14, 1990 and April 14, 1991. Customers must return on the same day of the following week. The airline said those who qualify for "Business Break" will also receive a free roundtrip k?et for travel on Eastern from their hometown to Atlanta.

Brennan said two first class tickets or three coach tickets will be awarded to customers completing 10 roundtrips during the qualifying period; three first class tickets will be awarded to those completing 15 roundtrips.

Passengers may begin booking "Business Break" reward flights immediately, and then take the first qualifying flight within 30 days of making this reservation. All qualifying trips will earn regular OnePass mileage and must be completed before taking the reward flight.

Qualifying roundtrips must be flown on Eastern at non-excursion fares and must originate Sunday through Friday, returning by Friday of the same week as most business itineraries do. Flights on Eastern's OnePass travel partners are not eligible and new or existing OnePass mileage cannot be applied to "Business Break."

Brennan said the rewards are transferable prior to ticketing and may be used by whomever is designated by the participant. Once ticketed, however, customers may not change dates of reward travel and tickets are not transferable.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, 305-873-3773, or 305-873-6360

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - DVI Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: DVIC) has announced audited results for the year ended June 30, 1990.

DVI Financial's recently completed rights offering was fully subscribed. DVI engages, through its wholly owned subsidiary, DVI Financial Services Inc., primarily in the leasing and financing of medical diagnostic and therapeutic equipment, such as computerized tomography scanners, nuclear medicine systems, ultrasound imaging systems, magnetic resonance imaging systems and lithotripters.

DVI FINANCIAL CORP.
Year ended June 30,

	1990	1989
Revenues	$19,808,800	$12,701,019
Earnings before income taxes	1,443,716	902,021
Provision for income taxes	570,622	361,861
Net earnings	873,094	540,160
Net earnings per common share	$.28	$.18
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	3,172,694	3,075,173

CONTACT: Cynthia Cohn of DVI Financial Corp., 714-474-5800.

-30- 1318

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ATLANTA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - American Software Inc.'s (NASDAQ: AMSWA) revenues for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, grew to $22,348,000, up 11 percent from $20,115,000 in the same period last fiscal year.

First-quarter pre-tax earnings amounted to $5,914,000, compared to $6,150,000 a year ago. Net earnings were $3,879,000 vs. $3,875,000 in the first quarter of fiscal year 1990. For first quarter 1991, earnings per share were 17 cents on 23,425,077 weighted average shares outstanding vs. 17 cents in 1990 on 22,611,953 weighted average shares outstanding.

American Software, headquartered in Atlanta, develops, markets and supports business application software for a wide range of end-users, including manufacturing companies, public utilities, financial institutions, health care facilities and distribution concerns.

AMERICAN SOFTWARE, INC.
Selected Financial Information

First quarter ended July 31:	1991	1990
Revenues	$22,348,000	$20,115,000
Operating earnings	4,661,000	4,956,000
Earnings before income taxes	5,914,000	6,150,000
Income taxes	2,035,000	2,275,000
Net earnings	3,879,000	3,875,000
Earnings per share	$.17	$.17

Weighted average shares outstdg.	23,425,077	22,611,953

CONTACT: Michael E. Kohlsdorf, CFO of American Software, 404-261-4381.

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#90235p8273 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NILES, MI (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - National-Standard Company (NYSE: NSD) reported sales of $65.3 million and a net loss of $6.3 million, or $1.50 per share for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990. Included in the net loss was a $2.8 million charge to earnings associated with the sale of the company's South African subsidiary. This charge represents the cumulative decline in the value of National- Standard's investment in the South African company due to the effects of foreign exchange rates and was previously reflected as an adjustment in stockholder equity.

In addition to the charge related to the sale of the South African subsidiary, the company experienced a loss of approximately $500,000 due to a work stoppage at the Columbiana, Ala., facility in June. Sales in the year-earlier quarter were $76.5 million, with a net loss of $6.3 million, or $1.52 per share, including a $4.1 million net provision for the closure of the Niles, Mich., City Complex and realignment of the company's operations.

Sales for the first nine months were $206.6 million, compared to sales of $229.4 million for the same period last year. Net loss for the first nine months was $10.3 million, or $2.45 per share. This compared to a net loss of $9.1 million, or $2.21 per share in the comparable period last year.

Sales for the third quarter were 15 percent lower than the same period last year due to product lines sold during the previous year and the general slowdown in industrial activity experienced in both the United States and the United Kingdom. Depressed automotive industry sales continue to adversely affect the majority of the company's product lines.

The company expects to experience a continued slowdown during the fourth quarter in both domestic and international business.

National-Standard, founded in 1907, manufactures and distributes wire, wire-related products and machinery in 17 facilities throughout the world.

NATIONAL-STANDARD COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES
Financial Highlights
($ in thousands, except per-share amounts)

For Three Months Ended June 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 65,279	$ 76,461
Operating loss	(1,973)	(4,528)
Net loss	(6,309)	(6,269)

Loss per share	($1.50)	($1.52)
Average shares outstanding	4,211,944	4,127,223
For Nine Months Ended June 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$206,610	$229,368
Operating loss	(2,348)	(4,399)
Net loss	(10,258)	(9,054)
Loss per share	($2.45)	($2.21)
Average shares outstanding	4,183,224	4,094,390

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#90235p8275 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARSON, CA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Nissan Motor Corporation in U.S.A. today announced the following car and pickup truck sales figures for the Aug. 11-20 reporting period:

DOMESTIC CARS
(Sentra Models Only)

	Aug. 11-20	Year-to-date
1990	3,129	63,006
1989	3,011	66,577

DOMESTIC TRUCKS

	Aug. 11-20	Year-to-date
1990	3,696	85,082
1989	3,832	84,451

These vehicles are produced at Nissan's United States manufacturing plant in Smyrna, Tenn.

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#90235p8276 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are Chrysler Corporation's (NYSE: C) sales results for the mid 10-day selling period of August.

	Total Cars			Selling Days	
	1990	1989	Pct. Change	'90	'89
Aug. 11-20	19,373	26,549	-27.0	8	8
Aug. 1-20	36,556	54,435	-32.8	17	17
Jan. l-Aug. 20	538,337	676,701	-20.9	196	195

Domestic Cars

Aug. 11-20	17,811	24,490	-27.3
Aug. 1-20	33,478	50,005	-33.1
Jan. l-Aug. 20	497,504	608,057	-18.6
	Total Trucks		
Aug. 11-20	17,287	19,770	-12.6
Aug. 1-20	34,853	43,133	-19.2
Jan. 1-Aug. 20	574,907	646,514	-11.5
	Domestic Trucks		
Aug. 11-20	17,069	18,862	- 9.5
Aug. 1-20	34,408	41,234	-16.6
Jan. 1-Aug. 20	565,822	621,917	- 9.5
	Total Vehicles		
Aug. 11-20	36,660	46,319	-20.9
Aug. 1-20	71,409	97,568	-26.8
Jan. 1-Aug. 20	1,113,244	1,323,215	-16.3

All changes are computed on a daily rate basis.

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-30- 1539

#90235p8279 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MICH. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) today announced it will donate 60 acres of land in Colorado Springs, Colo. to be used as the site for the U.S. Olympic Committee Hall of Fame.

Robert Jackson, president of Ford Motor Land Development Corporation, the real estate subsidiary of Ford Motor Company, made the agreement official at a dedication ceremony in Colorado Springs.

"America's athletes in the Olympic Games have provided a rich legacy which our citizens value more than anything else in sports, and Ford Motor Company is proud to join in this effort to honor those great athletes," Jackson said.

The 60-acre parcel to be donated by Ford is part of a larger 662- acre parcel owned by Ford in Colorado Springs and located across the street from the U.S. Air Force Academy. The plans for the Hall of Fame envision a 65,000-square-foot facility, targeted for completion in 1994.

Among those participating in today's ceremony were: International Olympic Committee President Juan Antonio Samaranch, United States Olympic Committee President Robert Helmick, Colorado Governor Roy Romer, .'mer,

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#90235p8281 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are unit sales for the 10-day period, Aug. 11-20, for Lincoln-Mercury Division:

	Current	Year-ago
Grand Marquis	3,031	4,033
Cougar	1,451	3,329
Sable	2,048	2,747
Topaz	1,612	2,063
Tracer	1,293	1,817
Capri	405	---
Lincoln Town Car	2,832	2,815
Mark VII	457	379
Continental	1,323	930
XR4Ti	---	72
Scorpio	---	27
TOTAL	14,452	18,212

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BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OHIO (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Waxman Industries, Inc. (NYSE: WAX), a leading supplier to the home repair and remodeling market throughout the United States and Canada, today reported results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

The fourth quarter includes the results of operations of the Ideal Plumbing Group Inc. of Canada, acquired May 1, 1989, and marks the 32nd consecutive period of year-to-year increases in quarterly sales and operating income.

Sales for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 climbed to a new record of $110,892,000, an increase of 17 percent over last year's sales of $94,560,000. Operating income rose 15 percent to a new high of $8,986,000, compared with $7,820,000 in the prior year. However, largely as a consequence of increased interest expense associated with the acquisition of Ideal, net income for the quarter was $1,378,000, or 14 cents per share, compared with $2,180,000, equal to 24 cents per share for last year's fourth quarter. Fully diluted net income was 14 cents per share versus 20 cents per share last year. Per share computations are based on 9.9 million shares outstanding in 1990 versus 9.1 million last year.

For the year as a whole, net sales increased 86 percent to $448,677,000 from $241,430,000 in 1989, another record. Operating income rose 67 percent to a new high of $36,615,000 from $21,879,000 in the prior year. Net income before an extraordinary charge was $6,788,000, or 70 cents per share, compared with $7,321,000, or 80 cents per share, last year. As previously reported, the extraordinary charge resulted from the early repayment of debt during the second quarter and totaled $320,000, equal to 3 cents per share. Net income after the extraordinary charge was $6,468,000, or 67 cents per share, versus $7,321,000, or 80 cents per share, in 1989. Fully diluted net income after the extraordinary charge was 63 cents per share, compared with 70 cents last year. Current per share computations are based on 9.7 million shares outstanding against 9.2 million in 1989.

Waxman Industries, Inc. is a leading supplier to the home repair and remodeling market in the United States and Canada.

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#90235p8286 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlas Corporation (NYSE: AZ) today reported net income of $5,252,000, or $.88 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, an increase of 17 percent over 1989 net income of $4,472,000, or $.75 per share. From continuing operations, Atlas earned $4,258,000, or $.71 per share, compared to $3,166,000, or $.53 per share, for the prior year.

Total revenues for the year were $34,741,000, 19 percent higher than the previous year's $29,104,000. Mining revenue was up 14 percent to $32,299,000 from $28,314,000 in fiscal 1989.

For the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, Atlas reported total revenues of $8,262,000 and mining revenue of $8,124,000 compared to $10,164,000 and $9,957,000, respectively, in 1989. The reduced revenues are attributable to a lower average price for gold during the quarter ($380 per ounce in 1990 compared to $431 per ounce in 1989) as well as lower production (21,402 ounces produced in 1990 compared to 23,084 ounces in 1989).

The reduction in revenues resulted in fourth quarter net income of $656,000, or $.11 per share, compared to $3,126,000, or $.53 per share, for the same period in 1989. Income from continuing operations for the quarter was $1,220,000, or $.20 per share, compared to $2,451,000, or $.42 per share, for the same period in 1989.

During the year ended June 30, 1990, Atlas produced and sold a record 81,263 ounces of gold from its Nevada Gold Bar operations. This exceeded the annual production target of 80,000 ounces and surpassed the prior fiscal year's production level of 66,082 ounces by 23 percent. Fiscal 1990 marked the first full year of operation since Atlas expanded the Gold Bar Mill's capacity to 3,000 tons per day. Cash production costs for the year were $161 per ounce compared to $159 per ounce during fiscal 1989.

The average gold price realized by Atlas in fiscal 1990 was $397 per ounce compared to $428 per ounce in fiscal 1989. A hedging program allowed Atlas to realize an average gold price that was $15 higher than the average London p.m. price fix during fiscal 1990. For Calendar 1991 and 1992, Atlas has sold forward 30 percent of its annual production, or 24,000 ounces a year, at an average price of $421 and $448, respectively.

Atlas Corporation is a mining company whose primary business is gold exploration and production.

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#90235p8289 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors (NYSE: GM) today presented the United Automobile Workers Union (UAW) a comprehensive proposal covering a new three-year National Contract Agreement.

GM said that it believed the proposal addresses the interests of all who have a stake in the successful outcome of these negotiations -- especially those of its employees.

The corporation restated its goal of reaching an agreement without hardship to its employees or any further interruption of production and said the proposal should provide the basis for a peaceful contract settlement.

Specific details of the GM proposal, which was made to the UAW during an afternoon bargaining session, will not be made public.

Bargaining between GM and the UAW on a new National Agreement began on July 18, 1990. The current agreement, which covers approximately 280,000 of GM's 310,000 current active hourly workforce, will expire at 11:59 p.m. Sept. 14, 1990.

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#90235p8294 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
GREENSBORO, NC (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - CIBA-GEIGY Limited has agreed with Roche Holding Ltd. to acquire Roche's crop protection business, the Maag Group. Chairmen of the two Swiss companies signed the agreement Wednesday.

The acquisition, which is subject to approval by government authorities in Europe, involves Dr. R. Maag AG, Dielsdorf, Switzerland, Maag Agrochemicals Inc., Vero Beach, Florida, and La Quinoleine et ses Derives SA, Paris. The purchase price was not disclosed.

The Maag Group develops and produces crop protection chemicals which are sold primarily in Switzerland, France and other Western European countries. CIBA-GEIGY said it intends to continue developing the business which currently has more than 900 employees. Present business relations and contracts will stand.

Last year the Maag Group had international sales of $231 million, an increase of 22 percent over 1988. Sales in the United States during 1989 amounted to about $7 million. Worldwide sales for the first half of 1990 were up 20 percent from the same period in 1989.

Maag markets four products -- an insecticide, a fungicide, a plant growth regulator and a wood preservative -- in the U.S. The U.S. Maag operation has about 40 employees.

The Agricultural Division of CIBA-GEIGY Limited had worldwide sales of $2.6 billion in 1989. The Agricultural Division of CIBA-GEIGY Corporation a wholly owned subsidiary in the U.S., is headquartered in Greensboro, N.C.

CIBA-GEIGY Limited said the acquisition will complement its current range of crop protection chemicals, especially in the area of disease control, as well as increase its research and development capacity.

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#90235p8296 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
DETROIT (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. car/truck production for this week is estimated at 182,106 units, up 12.5 percent from last week's strike-marred 161,862, Ward's Automotive Reports said today.

All General Motors Corp. plants that had shutdown due to a worker walkout that began Aug. 8 at a parts plant were back up and running this week. But for the second week in a row, one GM plant was shut due to canceled

orders in the Mideast relating to the current crisis in the region.

However, scheduled U.S. vehicle production for this week is an estimated 13.4 percent lower than 1989's same-period total of 210,378, Ward's reported.

Estimated U.S. car output for the week ending Aug. 25 is 106,425, bringing the year-to-date estimate for 1990 to 3,971,993, 87.2 percent of like-1989's total of 4,554,351 cars, according to Ward's.

U.S. truck output was hurt the most by last week's strike, and this week's scheduled production of 75,681 is nearly 20,000 units higher than last week's actual of 56,234, bringing the estimated year-to-date total to 2,545,152. This is equal to 91.7 percent of year-ago's 2,774,936.

Of this week's estimated U.S. car output, GM's share was 46.6 percent; Ford Motor Co. planned 15.2 percent of all cars; Chrysler Corp. slated 14.0 percent; Honda of America Mfg. Inc., 8.2 percent; Toyota Motor Mfg. USA Inc., 4.1 percent; New United Motor Mfg. Inc., 3.0 percent; Mazda Motor Mfg. (USA) Corp., 4.0 percent; Diamond-Star Motors Corp., 3.0 percent; Nissan Motor Mfg. Corp., 1.2 percent; and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc., 0.7 percent.

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#90235p8298 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - David O. Maxwell, chairman and chief executive officer of the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM), today said that the company will repurchase common stock warrants and common stock in an amount up to the expected proceeds from the exercise of its warrants, approximately $500 million.

"This repurchase reflects Fannie Mae's confidence in the company's strong financial position and future earnings power. At the same time, we reaffirm our previously announced plan to add $2 billion to $2.5 billion in capital by the end of 1991," Maxwell said.

As of June 30, 1990, Fannie Mae had approximately 34 million shares of common stock warrants and 241 million shares of common stock outstanding.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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#90235p8301 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAUKEGAN, ILL. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Outboard Marine Corp. (OMC) (NYSE: OM) announced today that it will transfer production of some models of its Hydra-Sports and Chris-Craft boat lines to gain greater efficiencies in the utilization of its boat building plants and in its boat distribution operations.

OMC said it plans to begin building its larger Hydra-Sports offshore fishing boats at the OMC facility in Swansboro, N.C., that currently is being used to build some models of OMC's Chris-Craft cruiser line. All production of Chris-Craft's large cruiser and sport fishing models, the company said, will be consolidated at the Chris-Craft plant in Sarasota, Fla.

According to OMC, production of the Chris-Craft models is expected to be moved to Florida by late October. Company spokespersons said the start of Hydra-Sports boat production in North Carolina would depend upon the time required to make modifications in the Swansboro facility and to obtain necessary permits. All Hydra-Sports models now are built at the company's Nashville, Tenn., plant.

"We are committed to establishing Hydra-Sports as OMC's premium offshore fishing boat line," said OMC President and Chief Executive Officer James C. Chapman. "Part of that commitment involves establishing a manufacturing capability for Hydra-Sports' offshore models on the southeastern coast, where we sell most of these boats. This southeastern manufacturing capability will allow us to reduce our transportation costs for our Hydra-Sports products and also to improve our service to our dealers," Chapman said.

According to Chapman, the Swansboro Hydra-Sports plant could employ approximately 250 persons within two years, depending upon the level of market demand for the boats.

"We also will gain operating efficiencies from consolidating production of our large Chris-Craft models in a single plant," Chapman said, "rather than dividing that production between two plants and operating both at substantially less than full capacity.

"In today's challenging marine products marketplace, we must take every reasonable action to reduce our costs and iprove the efficiency of our operations," Chapman said. "We believe these production transfers will help us achieve those goals."

Outboard Marine Corp. is a leading international marketer of marine engines, boats, accessories and services.

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-30- 2647

#90235p8302 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Munsingwear, Inc. (MUN) today announced that it has entered into a letter of intent with David J. Skidmore and NCO Investors, L.P., an investment partnership formed by the principals of Nagelvoort & Company, Inc., to sell Munsingwear's LeRoi Princeton Division. Completion of the sale is expected to occur prior to the middle of October.

The LeRoi Princeton Division of Munsingwear manufactures and markets children's hosiery, sleepwear and playwear. The Division has production facilities in Princeton, Ky., and its principal sales and marketing office is in New York City.

Munsingwear, Inc., a Minneapolis-based company, designs, manufactures and markets branded men's apparel and furnishings.

CONTACT: Charles J. Campbell of Munsingwear, 612-340-4965

-30- 987

#90235p8305 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Today (Aug. 23), Jacobson Stores Inc. (OTC: JCBS) declared a regular quarterly dividend on the common stock of 12-1/2 cents per share, payable Oct. 10, 1990, to common shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Robert M. Eaton of Jacobson Stores Inc., 517-764-6400.

-30- 505

#90235p8306 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Holding Corp. (NASDAQ: UHCO) announced today that its rights offering to its shareholders which had been extended to Aug. 24, 1990, has been further extended to Sept. 24, 1990.

Pursuant to the terms of the rights offering, all shareholders of record as of the close of business on July 2, 1990, received one right for each share owned. Each right entitles the holder to purchase for $1.00 a unit which consists of one share of common stock and one-half of a three-year warrant to purchase an additional share of common stock at $1.00. The rights also entitle shareholders to subscribe for additional units subject to availability and allocation. The rights are transferable.

Universal had earlier announced that as of Aug. 10, 1990, minimum sale requirement of the offering (which was 687,967 units) had been satisfied. As of Aug. 23, 1990, 765,720 units have been subscribed for.

Each NASD member who executes a dealer agreement with the company and who is designated on the Subscription Form as the procuring broker will receive a commission of 7 percent from the company.

Universal Holding Corp. is the parent company of John Adams Life Insurance Company of New York and Quincy Coverage Corp.

CONTACT: Richard A. Barasch of Universal Holding, 212-779-2448.

-30- 1496

#90235p8309 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

SMITHFIELD, VA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph W. Luter III, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Smithfield Foods, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SFDS), today announced that the company had net income of $2,065,000, or 29 cents per share, in the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

The company had a net loss of $1,558,000, or 20 cents per share, in the same quarter of fiscal 1990.

The net income per share figure for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was computed on 5.6 percent fewer shares outstanding than was the net loss per share figure in the same quarter of fiscal 1990.

Dollar sales in this year's first quarter were $236,064,000, up from $171,888,000 in the corresponding quarter of the prior fiscal year. The increase in sales reflected sharply higher unit selling prices for the company's products due to higher raw material costs and an increase in sales tonnage.

"Despite record high live hog prices during the quarter, the company's first quarter financial results showed marked improvement as margins on fresh and processed meats were better than those in the same quarter a year ago," Luter said.

Luter said that the improvement in fiscal 1991 first quarter margins reflected a meaningful decrease in raw material costs stemming from the company's joint hog production arrangements.

SMITHFIELD FOODS, INC.
Summary Statements of Income (Loss)
(unaudited)
(Dollars in thousands, expect per share data)

	Thirteen Weeks Ended	
	July 29, 1990	July 30, 1989
Sales	$236,064	$171,888
Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes	3,120	(2,513)
Income Taxes (Credit)	1,055	(955)
Net Income (Loss)	2,065	(1,558)
Net Income (Loss) Per Share	.29	(.20)
Average Shares Outstanding (Thousands)	7,182	7,612

CONTACT: Aaron D. Trub of Smithfield Foods, Inc., 202-223-4224.

-30- 2471

#90235p8312 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Trustees of BRNF Liquidating Trust declared the 32nd trust liquidating distribution in the amount of $3.50 per unit, payable Sept. 20, 1990, to the Series A, B and C Certificate Holders of record at the close of business Sept. 6.

CONTACT: Bruce L. Bisson for BRNF Liquidating Trust, 302-651-8584

-30- 503

#90235p8314 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRISTOL, TENN. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Recent developments with Retin-A have generated renewed interest in other "anti-aging" products.

To this end, studies using alpha-hydroxy acids are being conducted across the United States. One of the leading agents being evaluated is glycolic acid, a natural product derived from fruits and sugar cane.

Studies at UCLA by Dr. Larry S. Moy, at the Medical College of Georgia by Dr. J. Graham Smith Jr., and at Temple University by Dr. Eugene J. Van Scott, have successfully evaluated the effectiveness of glycolic acid to treat rough skin, dry skin, ichthyosis, acne, age spots, skin peeling, wrinkles and as an adjuvant to topical drugs.

Initial work conducted by Moy, on more than 100 patients, has provided the basis for further study by his group. Moy stated that, "At present, indications are encouraging that glycolic acid can be used to treat photoaging in the practitioner's office, perhaps as a mild peel or as an adjunct to other topical treatment." Smith's work, while still underway, centers on the treatment of patients who could not tolerate Retin-A. Van Scott, the leading authority on alpha-hydroxy acids, has stated that his findings represent dramatic new evidence that the acids can reverse wrinkles as well as improve dry skin and aid in treating acne and age spots. Preliminary results show that they will make fine wrinkles

disappear in an average of two to six months. Some deeper wrinkles will disappear after one year.

In reporting on Moy's work, the May 1990 issue of Cosmetic Dermatology states that glycolic acid is particularly effective "for smoothing the skin and for what one might call 'preventive maintenance' against changes associated with aging or photodamage."

Glycolic acid is available through dermatologists as a non-prescription cream, manufactured by Neostrata of North Haven, Conn. (203-281-4242), or through pharmacies (also as a non-prescription product), as well as dermatologists, as a high potency skin moisturizer called Aqua Glycolic Lotion(R), manufactured by Herald Pharmacal of Richmond, Va., and distributed by MED-DERM Pharmaceuticals of Kingsport, Tenn. (800-334-4286).

The recognized safety and efficacy of these products, as evidenced by the fact that they may be obtained without a prescription, warrants that the public be made award of their availability.

CONTACT: Global Research and Education Group, 615-989-3232

-30- 2613

#90235p8321 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOWELL, MASS. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - COMFED BANCORP, INC. (AMEX: CFK) announced today further developments in the company's progress toward regulatory approval of a restructuring plan for its wholly-owned subsidiary, COMFED Savings Bank.

As part of its plan to apply for Open Thrift Assistance through the FDIC, COMFED has retained the Wall Street investment banking firm of Goldman, Sachs & Co. to assist in the development of a restructuring plan, and to identify new sources of equity capital through a private investment offering begun this week. COMFED further announced that ongoing discussions with regulators have resulted in the signing of a consent agreement with the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS).

According to Jack Zoeller, president and chief executive officer of COMFED: "We are delighted to have achieved a milestone this week in our pursuit to bring new capital into COMFED. The commencing of the private equity offering led by Goldman, Sachs & Co., after having received a preliminary response from the federal regulators regarding our proposed structure for Open Thrift Assistance, is a significant step in our restructuring process.

We also are pleased that the Consent Agreement will allow us to continue our normal banking and mortgage operations under the more conservative business strategies adopted by COMFED over the past year. We believe

that the signing of this agreement is a favorable indication that our regulators also are seeking to maintain the franchise value of COMFED."

COMFED's consent agreement with regulators places certain limitations upon the bank and confirms the OTS's authority to appoint a conservator or receiver if such action is deemed appropriate. The company believes, however, that the OTS's agreement to allow COMFED to conduct, in a normal manner, its three primary business activities of retail banking, residential mortgage lending, and loan servicing is evidence of the regulators' desire to avoid such conservatorship at this time.

COMFED BANCORP, INC. is a $1.4 billion asset holding company headquartered on Lowell, Mass.

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#90235p8322 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD, IL (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Deefield Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ: DEER), Deerfield, today announced it received approval from the Office of Thrift Supervision on Aug. 21, 1990, to acquire Norwood Federal Savings Bank, Chicago, through the merger of Norwood with Deerfield Federal.

Approval of the merger is conditioned upon Deerfield Federal complying with the conditions set forth in the OTS' approval letter, including the condition that the merger be consummated no sooner than 30 days from the date of the OTS' approval order in compliance with the 30-day waiting period imposed by the Bank Merger Act.

Norwood, a mutual association, will be converted to a stock organization upon its merger with and into Deerfield Federal. Upon consummation of the merger, Norwood will operate as a division of Deerfield Federal.

CONTACT: David Mullins of Deerfield Federal, 708-945-2550.

-30- 1079

#90235p8326 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

STATE COLLEGE, PA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Uni-Marts, Inc. (NASDAQ: UNMA A) today announced that, in response to inquiries from NASDAQ regarding the drop in the price of the Company's Class A Common Stock, the Company stated that it was unaware of any internal or corporate reason to explain such a drop.

The Company noted that the decrease may have been caused by the recent

general decline in the United States securities markets over the last several days.

Uni-Marts, Inc. is a leading independent operator of convenience stores that are located throughout Pennsylvania and in western New York, southern New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland. At Aug. 23, 1990, 342 stores were in operation with 202 offering self-service gasoline. The company also processes and distributes milk and ice cream products through its dairy division and distributes home heating oil and gasoline through its petroleum division.

CONTACT: J. Kirk Gallaher, senior vice president of finance of Uni-Marts, Inc., 814-234-6000.

-30- 1186

#90235p8327 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

TUSTIN, CA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Everett L. Hodges, president and chief executive officer of Petrominerals Corp. (NASDAQ: PTRO) today announced the company has entered into negotiations with Stocker Resources Inc. ("Stocker Resources") to act as the operator of certain of its oil and gas interests in the Los Angeles Basin. Stocker Resources is purchasing from Chevron several producing leases, located in the Los Angeles Basin, Los Angeles County, Calif. A newly formed subsidiary of Petrominerals Corp., known as Petrominerals Operating Corp., will handle the operation of these leases at both the field and administrative level.

Petrominerals Corp. is also negotiating with Stocker Resources to provide well abandonment services required on these leases, through its division, Lunn Production Service. The present well abandonment program involves the abandonment of between 60 and 75 wells per year.

If these negotiations are successfully concluded, it is anticipated that Petrominerals Operating Corp. will begin operating these leases during the fourth quarter of 1990.

Everett L. Hodges and Morris V. Hodges are shareholders of Stocker Resources and are also directors of St. James Oil Co., which is also a major shareholder of Stocker Resources.

Petrominerals Corp. engages in the exploration, production and marketing of crude oil and natural gas in California and Louisiana. Lunn Production Service, a division of Petrominerals Corp., serves and maintains oil and gas wells for a number of major oil companies.

CONTACT: Virginia M. Lazar of Petrominerals Corp., 714-730-5400.

-30- 1781
#90235p8330 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW CUMBERLAND, PA. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Ronald H. Smith, chairman of the board of CCNB Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: CCNC), announced today that CCNB plans to make open market purchases of its common stock through a broker to be determined.

Any stock so purchased may be used to partially meet the quarterly requirements of its dividend reinvestment plan for the third and fourth quarters of this year.

CCNB Corp. is the parent company of CCNB Bank N.A., The Gettysburg National Bank, and Parent Federal Savings Bank which operate 41 financial offices in six counties in southcentral Pennsylvania.

CONTACT: Ronald H. Smith, chairman, president and chief executive officer, or John E. Hakes, executive vice president of CCNB Corp., 717-774-7000

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#90235p8331 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
ANN ARBOR, MI (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of its Ann Arbor headquarter employees on Thursday, Aug. 23, company Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Charles Gelman announced that Gelman Sciences Inc. (AMEX: GSC) anticipates a loss of approximately $1.5 million for its fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

For the year, net sales were approximately $73 million vs. prior- year net sales of $71.1 million, an increase of 3 percent. Sales in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 increased slightly over the prior year. Financial results for fiscal 1990 were adversely affected by lower-than-planned sales, poor performance of the company's Australian subsidiary, greater-than-anticipated expenses in Gelman Sciences Sunbeam Process operations and year-end adjustments.

The company expects to release year-end results in late September.

CONTACT: Robert L. Buker of Gelman Sciences Inc. Corporate Communications 313-668-8404

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#90235p8332 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOWELL, MA. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - COMFED BANCORP, INC. (AMEX: CFK) announced today that Jack Zoeller has been named chairman of the board. Appointed president and chief executive officer on July 1, 1990, Zoeller was recruited to the bank in 1987 by the late Edwin R. Biron, COMFED's

former chairman. Zoeller's relationship with Biron and the bank dated back to 1983 when Zoeller was an investment banker at E.F. Hutton responsible for raising capital for COMFED in connection with its initial stock offering. In 1988, Zoeller was appointed president of COMFED Mortgage Company and in early 1990 was named president of COMFED Savings Bank, the company's principal operating subsidiary.

Prior to joining the bank, Zoeller was president of Capital Risk Management Corporation. Before his tenure at E.F. Hutton from 1980 to 1985, Zoeller served for 10 years in the U.S. Army and was assigned to both the 82nd Airborne Division and the Army Chiefs of Staff Office in the Pentagon. Zoeller's educational background includes: graduating first in his class from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, receiving a master's degree in public policy from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, and as a Rhodes Scholar, earning a master's degree in politics from Oxford University.

COMFED announced further that John C. Hartnett and Peter T. Maher have joined the board as directors. Hartnett is a director of Barlow MacArthur Inc., an equipment leasing firm, and has an extensive career in banking. From 1985 to 1988, Hartnett was president and district manager of Shawmut Quincy Bank and Trust Company. Additionally, he has had several executive positions at Shawmut Bank of Boston and the Lynn Five Cents Savings Bank.

Maher is managing partner of Deven Associates, Inc., a domestic and international human resources consulting organization which ranks among the top 30 executive search firms in the country. Maher also has had an extensive banking career, including management positions at The First National Bank of New Jersey and The Broadway Bank and Trust Company of Paterson, N.J. In his role at Deven Associates, Maher has gained a very intimate knowledge of COMFED by recruiting the majority of the bank's current senior managers. In discussing his COMFED directorship, Maher stated: "I have had the opportunity to observe Jack Zoeller at E.F. Hutton, Capital Risk Management, and now, COMFED. Additionally, I have developed a close rapport with many of the bank's new senior managers. Under the leadership of Zoeller and the new management team, I feel confident that COMFED will emerge as a role model for all other regional thrifts trying to survive in the current banking climate."

Commenting on Hartnett's and Maher's appointments to the board, Jack Zoeller said: "Both Peter Maher and Jack Hartnett are exceptional additions to the COMFED board of directors. Maher has already played a very positive role in upgrading the caliber of senior staff at the bank, and Hartnett brings with him 20 years of retail banking experience in the New England marketplace. It goes without saying that, during this challenging period for the bank, the experience and contribution of both men will be welcomed and valued by all of us at COMFED."

COMFED BANCORP, INC. is a $1.4 billion asset holding company headquartered in Lowell, Mass. Through its principal operating divisions: COMFED Savings Bank and COMFED Mortgage Company, the bank engages in residential mortgage lending, loan servicing and retail banking. COMFED Mortgage Company maintains a network of 13 offices in five Northeastern states. COMFED Savings Bank operates 28 retail banking offices in Massachusetts and Connecticut. In 1989, the bank's loan servicing portfolio ranked in the top 20 among thrifts nationwide.

CONTACT: Patricia Oris of COMFED, 508-454-5663

-30- 4114

#90235p8333 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Tulsa-based ONEOK Inc. (NYSE: OKE) announced today that it has settled another take-or-pay lawsuit out of court.

Agate Petroleum of Tulsa had filed the lawsuit two years ago in the District Court of Tulsa County for an unspecified amount.

The lawsuit involved a number of wells in Pittsburg County in Oklahoma. Terms of the settlement were not disclosed.

CONTACT: Weldon Watson, Perry Wimpey, or Charlene Bassett of ONEOK Inc., 918-588-7000

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#90235p8335 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CALIF. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - A Rockwell International Corp. (NYSE: ROK) team will update the avionics for Royal Australian Air Force F/RF-111C aircraft under a $160 million contract, the Australian Department of Defence announced today.

The F/RF-111C Avionics Upgrade Program marks the second major F-111 aircraft modernization program competitively won by Rockwell in the last 12 months. Autonetics Marine and Aircraft Systems Division was awarded a $69 million contract for the U.S. Air Force F-111F Pacer Strike avionics upgrade program in September, 1989.

The F/RF-111C Avionics Update Program, or AUP, will provide virtually all new navigation and weapons delivery electronics for the 22 swing-wing strike aircraft, which were delivered to the Australian government in the early 1970s by General Dynamics Corp. The upgrade project is expected to extend the mission life of the aircraft up to 20 years.

The F/RF-111C AUP will be a total system integration task, performed by a

team led by Rockwell's Defense Electronics organization. The team includes Rockwell Electronics (Australasia), in Australia, and the Anaheim-based Autonetics Marine and Aircraft Systems Division. Rockwell's North American Aircraft Division, producer of the B-1B bomber, also will support the program.

Other U.S. suppliers will provide key electronics subsystems for the program. They include Plessey/Electronics Systems Corp., Wayne, N.J., avionics converter unit; Smith Industries, Grand Rapids, Mich., and Florhan Park, N.J., stores management and data transfer systems; IBM Corp. Oswego, N.Y., mission computers; and Loral Data Systems, Sarasota, Fla., flight instrument system.

Rockwell, through its fully owned subsidiary Rockwell Ship Systems Australia, is managing the design, integration and installation of the combat system for the Royal Australian Navy's six new Collins class submarines. Valued at more than $500 million, the seven-year contract was awarded in May 1987.

Rockwell International is a $12 billion multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses.

CONTACT: A.J. Longo of Rockwell International, 714-762-4195

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#90235p8336 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KAN. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - A uniquely modified Boeing 747-200 delivered today will serve as the new "Air Force One" presidential transport, replacing the Boeing 707-320C airframe which has served the nation's chief executive for nearly 30 years. Boeing Defense & Space Group's Military Airplanes Branch here was responsible for the program. The new Air Force One will require 35 percent shorter runways, provide longer range for presidential travel and dramatically enhanced communications capabilities, and will be self sufficient at airports around the world.

"We're very proud to deliver this airplane," said Boeing Military Airplanes Vice President and General Manager, Wichita Branch, John Dempster. "It's been a tough program in many ways, and we've faced our share of problems. We wanted to build the best airplane in the world for the president of the United States, and we have. We couldn't have done it without the skill and dedication of the Boeing employees who have worked long and hard on this airplane. Their expertise is apparent in the final product."

The new Air Force One can operate with minimal ground support if

necessary. Self-contained air stairs allow passengers to board and leave the airplane. There is storage for enough meals to feed the president, crew and others aboard for several days, supporting long presidential journeys. The airplane has also been modified for air to air refueling, if it should be required.

Highly sophisticated communications equipment is essential in a world where technology is far different from 1962, when President John Kennedy was the first president to fly on the previous Air Force One. The Mission Communication System (MCS) on the new airplane provides worldwide transmission and reception of normal and secure communications on board the airplane. The equipment includes telephones and multifrequency radios for air to air, air to ground and satellite communications. With the Boeing 747, there is room for three MCS Air Force operators, where only two could be accommodated previously.

Along with sophisticated electronics, the new "Flying Oval Office" features a conference/dining room, quarters for the president and the first lady and an office area for senior staff members. Another office can be converted into a medical facility when required.

First flight of the modified airplane took place last January and extensive flight tests followed. In all, about 40 Air Force qualification and performance test flights were conducted, as well as flights for Federal Aviation Adminstration certification.

CONTACT: Carolyn Russell of Boeing Military Airplanes, 316-526-3153

-30- 2896

#90235p8337 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, IDAHO (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Morrison Knudsen Corp. (MK) (NYSE: MRN) today announced that it has been awarded a nationwide "task order" contract for environmental source control and remedial action of hazardous wastes by the U.S. Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, Omaha district. The five-year term contract allows the Corps of Engineers to award MK up to $50 million of remediation work.

Work has begun on the first task under the contract for remedial action at a Department of Defense facility near Minneapolis. The Army Corps of Engineers will authorize further work, at its discretion.

The Pre-Placed Remedial Action Contract calls for MK to perform environmental restoration services at uncontrolled hazardous waste sites, including military installations, other government property, and National Priorities List (Superfund) sites in the United States.

MK's selection was based on its capabilities and experience to perform or

provide a broad range of services related to hazardous waste management.

Morrison Knudsen is an international engineering, design, mining, construction, rail systems and environmental services company.

CONTACT: Jess Hawley of Morrison Knudsen Corp., 206-386-8000

-30- 1412

#90235p8341 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Honeywell Inc. (NYSE: HON) announced today that its Defense and Marine Systems unit plans to reduce its work force by 120 employees effective Sept. 6.

The unit, which employs approximately 8,300 people, said the work force reduction is the result of reorganization in preparation of a planned spin-off by Honeywell, as well as ongoing efforts to improve its competitive position in the defense industry.

Defense and Marine Systems, which will be called Alliant Techsystems Inc. following the spin-off, said the reduction will affect its management and technical employees throughout the Twin Cities and Everett, Wash. The unit said the reduction will affect most departments.

Honeywell expects to obtain final board approval for the spin-off in late third quarter 1990. After completion of the spin-off, Alliant Techsystems will be the 17th largest direct supplier to the U.S. Department of Defense and the eighth largest publicly held industrial corporation in Minnesota. The unit has locations principally in Minnesota, Illinois, Washington, Colorado, Maryland, California, and Hawaii.

Honeywell is a global controls company that provides products, systems, and services for homes and buildings, industry, and aviation and space. The company had 1989 sales of $6.1 billion.

CONTACT: Kathy Tunheim of Honeywell, (612) 870-6730.

-30- 1573

#90235p8342 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONGUEUIL, CANADA, (AUG. 23) PRNEWSWIRE - American Eagle, the commuter arm of American Airlines, today announced an order totalling 100 aircraft powered by Pratt & Whitney Canada PW100's turboprop engines. The order is considered the largest single order ever awarded for one type of regional aircraft.

"It could result in the sale of up to 250 engines if all options are exercised", said Pratt & Whitney Canada president, Dave Caplan.

The American Eagle order is made up of a combination of ATR 42s and ATR 72s, two versions of a regional aircraft built by Aerospatiale (France) and Aeritalia (Italy), and marketed by the Avion de Transport Regional (ATR) consortium.

Of the 100 units ordered, 25 are firm and 75 are optional. The PW100 family of engines has been extremely successful. It currently powers seven of the nine new generation turboprop regional airliners in operation. Last year, PW100 engines powered 80 percent of all 30- to 70-passenger turboprops delivered worldwide.

Pratt & Whitney Canada, a subsidiary of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX), of Hartford, Conn., is the world-leading producer of gas turbine engines for general aviation and regional airline markets.

CONTACT: Louise Boutin, 514-647-4118, both of Pratt & Whitney Canada

-30- 1471

#90235p8344 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bank of Boston Corporation (NYSE: BKB) voted today to "opt out" of the provisions of the recently promulgated Massachusetts nationwide interstate banking statute until July 1, 1992.

This decision is consistent with the corporation's intention to remain an independent institution and with its strategic objective to build long-term stockholder value. The action was not taken in response to any known proposal to acquire Bank of Boston Corporation.

Bank of Boston Corporation, with assets of $37 billion at June 30, 1990, is a New England-based superregional bank holding company with both national and international operations.

CONTACT: Wayne J. Taylor of Bank of Boston, 617-434-3638

-30- 930

#90235p8346 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLUE SPRINGS, MO. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Harmon Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: HRMN), board of directors announced today it has waived payment of its semi-annual dividend of 6 1/4 cents per share. Harmon is the nation's most fully integrated supplier to the railroad companies.

Citing recent reported losses for the first six months of 1990, the board believed it would be inappropriate to pay the dividend. "We are continually monitoring our financial situation and when conditions improve

we expect the dividend to be reinstated," said Robert E. Harmon, chairman and CEO of Harmon Industries.

Harmon Industries, is traded in the over-the-counter market and is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol HRMN. For further information, please contact Vincent D. Burget, vice president - Corporate Affairs, Harmon Industries Inc., 1300 Jefferson Court, Blue Springs, MO 64015. The telephone number is 816-229-3345.

CONTACT: Vincent D. Burget of Harmon Industries Inc., 816-229-3345

-30- 1175

#90235p8348 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - FSI International, Inc. (NASDAQ: FSII), a supplier of capital equipment for the semiconductor industry, today announced that fourth-quarter 1990 bookings are lower than anticipated. Consequently, sales for the fiscal 1991 first quarter ending Nov. 24, 1990, are expected to be lower than the company had previously planned. FSI has continued to see customers delaying purchase commitments, and multiple-unit orders are still sluggish.

"Because of these conditions," stated Richard Jackson, FSI president and chief executive officer, "our shipments will not be high enough for FSI to be profitable in the first quarter." For the prior-year first quarter, FSI reported sales of $14.0 million and net income of $510,000, or $.12 per share.

Jackson continued, "Industry analysts are still projecting double- digit growth for semiconductor equipment companies in calendar 1991 and 1992. Based on current softness, however, we feel we have to act now to lower FSI's breakeven point. To bring expenses more in line with projected revenues, we are laying off approximately 10 percent of our 390-person workforce. Additionally, we are instituting a wage freeze for all employees, reducing officer salaries and implementing other cost-control programs.

"Obviously, these are painful steps for FSI and for our employees," said Jackson. "We are offering severance packages to the affected workers and will provide outplacement services." The layoff will result in a one-time charge for the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter, ending Aug. 25, and when coupled with some sales slippage, will cause a loss for the period.

Concluded Jackson, "We have concentrated the cutbacks primarily in areas that will not seriously diminish our ongoing product development projects. In addition, we are expanding our efforts to penetrate the Japanese market and will also continue to focus on customer satisfaction and improved operating efficiency."

FSI International, Inc. is a leader in producing automated surface conditioning equipment for processing silicon wafers. The company develops, manufactures, markets and services centrifugal spray processing systems, photoresist processing equipment, gas processing systems, and chemical management and delivery systems for use in the fabrication of advanced semiconductor integrated circuits. FSI's customers include semiconductor manufacturers located throughout North America, Europe, Japan and the Far East.

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WESTLAKE, OH (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Nordson Corporation (NASDAQ: NDSN) announced today that sales for the third quarter ended July 29, 1990 were $82.7 million, a 17 percent increase over third quarter 1989 sales of $70.8 million. Earnings per share for the current period were $.70 compared to $.89 per share reported for the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $2.15 per share on sales of $248.8 million. Year-to-date sales were up 19 percent over 1989. Earnings per share and sales for the first nine months of 1989 were $2.72 and $209.2 million respectively.

In commenting on Nordson's performance, William P. Madar, president and chief executive officer, stated, "Our strong revenue gains during the third quarter came from sales of powder coating systems, special engineered products and the operation of Meltex. The gross margins generated by this product mix are lower than that of a year earlier. We have continued to invest for the future and are confident we are well positioned to capitalize on developing market opportunities."

NORDSON CORPORATION
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Dollars in thousands except for per share amounts)
THIRD QUARTER REPORT Period Ending July 29, 1990 (Unaudited)
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

	Third Quarter	
	1990	1989
Net Sales	$82,676	$70,781
Cost of Sales	37,181	30,391
Selling and Administrative Expenses	34,197	27,434
Operating Profit	11,298	12,956
Interest Income (Expense) - Net	(1,436)	(502)
Other Income (Expense) - Net	455	348

Income Before Income Taxes	10,317	12,802
Income Taxes	3,611	4,224
Net Income	$6,706	$8,578
Return on Sales (percent)	8	12
Return on Average Shareholders' Equity (percent)	23	34
Per Share:		
Primary Earnings	$.70	$.89
Dividends Paid	$.18	$.16

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GADSDEN, ALA. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - With the opening of Domino's Pizza Pizzazz in the Gadsden mall food court, Domino's Pizza ventures, for the first time in their 30-year history, into mall sales.

Pizzazz, a new division of Domino's, breaks away from the traditional free-standing delivery facilities. Pizzazz units will be built in malls, airports, sports stadiums and other non-delivery locations.

Gadsden's Pizzazz has a number of firsts to its credit. In addition to being the first Domino's in a mall, this store is also the first Domino's Pizza Pizzazz to serve the public. It is the first Domino's to offer more than one flavor of soft drink. It is the first restaurant in Alabama to use the new Middleby Marshall PS200 oven which can cook 430 pizzas per hour. And it is the first Domino's to test IBM's new point-of-sale cash registers.

Domino's has always held to the idea of simplicity in their menu. They deliver pizza and one type of soft drink. Pizzazz does not stray far from this successful formula. However, instead of medium and large, they serve a 6-inch pizza made for one person. And they serve three flavors of soft drinks.

"It's thrilling being a pioneer in this new market for Domino's," said Randy Stafford, owner of Gadsden's Pizza Pizzazz. "Domino's has a long history of innovation. We virtually invented home delivery and have developed the most efficient pizza-making restaurants in the world. Now we are taking this technology into many new situations."

And what of Domino's famous delivery? "Yes, Pizzazz will deliver," said Stafford. "Our main focus will be on counter sales in the food court, but if mall employees want a Pizzazz pizza delivered we would love to run it to them."

Stafford started with Domino's in 1978 as a driver and has been with the company ever since. Today he owns five Domino's stores in Gadsden. In 1978, Domino's had less than 200 stores. Now they have over 5,000. "It's time for Domino's to move into alternative markets. Domino's has invested much time, money, research and development into Pizzazz. I'm convinced that it'll be a success."

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INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE -The Wholesale Club, Inc. (NASDAQ: WHLS) today announced that its board of directors had approved a market repurchase program for shares of the company's common stock. Pursuant to the program, the company may repurchase at market prices up to $640,000 worth of common stock from time to time during the next nine months. The specific prices, number of shares and timing of such open-market purchases will be determined by company management. Management of the company believes that, at its current market price, the company's common stock is an attractive investment for the company. Shares acquired under the repurchase program may be used for general corporate purposes, including issuance upon exercise of stock options and future contributions to the employee Profit Sharing Plan.

The Wholesale Club, Inc. currently operates 25 wholesale membership warehouses in Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - David E. Schmitt has been named vice president and general counsel of ALPO Petfoods. The appointment was made by Rob Hawthorne, president and chief executive officer of ALPO.

Schmitt joins ALPO from The Pillsbury Company, where he was group counsel for the $1 billion Bakery Products division. Prior to joining Pillsbury, Schmitt was an attorney with the Staley Manufacturing Company in Decatur, Ill. An honors graduate of Drake University, Schmitt received his J.D. Degree from the University of Iowa.

Schmitt, whose appointment is effective in September, will be based at ALPO's headquarters office in Allentown, Pa., and will report directly to Hawthorne.

ALPO Petfoods, a division of Grand Metropolitan PLC, has annual sales of approximately $400 million. ALPO's recent entry into the cat food segment launched nine months ago, has already hit the $100 million mark and is the most successful petfood launch in 10 years.

Grand Metropolitan PLC is one of the largest international companies in the United Kingdom, with annual sales of approximately $15 billion. Other U.S. subsidiaries include Burger King, Carillon Importers, Heublein, Pearle Inc., Pillsbury, GrandMet Foodservice USA, and the Paddington Corporation.

CONTACT: Mary Carroll, 612-330-4805 or Judi Kroeger, 215-821-1299, both of Grand Metropolitan

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#90235p8366 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST LAFAYETTE, IND. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Emerson Kampen, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Great Lakes Chemical Corporation (NYSE: GLK), today announced that the company has resumed purchasing shares of its common stock. Great Lakes' board of directors previously authorized management to purchase up to one million shares of the company's 35.1 million outstanding shares of common stock.

Commenting on this action, Kampen stated, "We are clearly in the midst of the best year ever in Great Lakes' history. Revenues and earnings for the first six months of 1990 surpassed all previous records, increasing 46 percent and 15 percent, respectively, over the same period one year ago.

"In my view," he went on to say, "the company's prospects have never been brighter. Pending approval of a number of proprietary products, coupled with an ever-broadening international presence, certainly positions Great Lakes for growth in the decade ahead. Reinitiating our stock buy-back program certainly demonstrates management's confidence in the future."

Great Lakes Chemical Corporation, a Fortune 500 company, is the world's leading producer of bromine, brominated chemicals and furfural derivatives for such applications as flame retardants, agriculture, oil and gas well completion fluids, water sanitizers and other specialty applications. The stock of the company is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: David R. Bouchard or Gregory J. Griffith, 317-497-6100, both of Great Lakes Chemical Corporation

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Liz Claiborne, Inc. (NASDAQ: LIZC) announced today that Elizabeth Claiborne Ortenberg and Arthur Ortenberg had advised the company's board of directors of their decision to retire from their seats on the board to devote more time to a number of environmental, societal and other interests.

Claiborne and Ortenberg, two of the founders of the company and husband and wife, had retired from their active management roles with the company in May 1989.

The Ortenbergs commented: "We have reluctantly concluded that due to the growing pressures on our time exerted by the expanded activities of our charitable foundation, we could no longer serve as effective board members. The increasing need to travel -- both for meetings and for on-site project evaluation -- has drastically diminished the time available to fulfill our board functions as we would like and as the company deserves. Chairman Jerry Chazen and his team, with the support of the board, have mapped out a clear strategy for the future and we feel confident that he will direct the company toward those objectives whether we sit on the board or not."

Jerome A. Chazen, chairman of the board, commented: "Although obviously a difficult one, today's decision is one we can't help but respect. Liz's and Art's values will always remain at the very core of our company's culture."

CONTACT: Samuel M. Miller of Liz Claiborne, 212-354-4900.

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HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today reported its U.S. assembly plants' schedule for the week of Aug. 27.

Newark (Del.) Assembly Plant will operate two 9 1/2-hour daily shifts next week. Newark is also scheduled to operate two overtime shifts on Saturday, Aug. 25.

The company reported its Belvidere (Ill.), Sterling Heights (Mich.), Toledo (Ohio), St. Louis II (Fenton, Mo.) and Dodge City/Warren Truck assembly plants will operate two eight-hour daily shifts next week.

St. Louis I (Fenton) will operate a single eight-hour daily shift next week.

CONTACT: Alan Miller or Scott Fosgard of Chrysler, 313-956-2894

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MATTHEWS, N.C. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Family Dollar Stores, Inc. (NYSE: FDO), a discount store chain operating 1,676 stores in a 27-state area, announced that Ralph D. Dillon has resigned from his positions as President and Chief Operating Officer and as a Director of the Company. In making this announcement, Leon Levine, Chairman of the Company, stated that he will be assuming the additional responsibilities of President and Chief Operating Officer on an interim basis until a successor is named.

Ralph Dillon commented that his employment contract to serve as President of Family Dollar would expire at the end of August 1990, that he had accomplished many of the goals he had set for the Company three years ago, and that he was now interested in pursuing other endeavors. Leon Levine stated that the Company wished Mr. Dillon well in his future endeavors, and expressed to him the Company's appreciation for his efforts on behalf of the Company.

With the Company's fourth quarter ending August 31, 1990, Mr. Levine also commented that based on the results of operations to date, the Company expected to report a substantial increase in net income for the fourth quarter, compared to the fourth quarter last year. As previously reported, Family Dollar's net income for the nine months ended May 31, 1990, increased approximately 29 percent above net income for the comparable nine-month period.

CONTACT: George R. Mahoney, Jr., Family Dollar Stores, Inc., 704-847-6961

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SUMTER, SC (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of NBSC Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: NSCB) has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 11 cents per share payable October 1, 1990 to shareholders of record September 18, 1990.

With 3,125,948 shares outstanding to approximately 1,250 shareholders, the dividend will amount to a total cash distribution of $343,854.28.

NBSC Corporation common stock is traded over-the-counter and quoted under the symbol NSCB on the NASDAQ National Market System. Parent company of The National Bank of South Carolina, NBSC Corporation reported total assets of $538 million on June 30, 1990.

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#90235p8382 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Xerox Corporation (NYSE: XRX) said today that it will provide employees called to active duty by military reserve or National Guard units an income supplement equal to the difference between their military pay and what they currently are receiving as compensation from the company.

The action, effective immediately, is a temporary adjustment of the Xerox military leave of absence policy and will continue for 180 days from commencement of active duty.

Xerox employees and their eligible dependents also will continue to be provided medical and dental coverage for up to 180 days.

The temporary pay policy enhancement will apply to any employee called up through Dec. 31. It will be reviewed prior to year end to insure it best meets the needs of Xerox and Xerox employees, the company said.

Xerox said it was taking the action because company management "wishes to minimize some of the financial hardships and insecurity for these employees and their dependents caused by their sudden call up to serve on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces."

The company said it did not know how many of its more than 66,000 employees in the U.S. are members of the reserves or National Guard or how many might be called to active duty.

CONTACT: Thomas C. Abbott, 203-968-3378 or Dean J. Golembeski, 203-968-3572, both of Xerox

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#90235p8388 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. (NYSE: PPL) today declared the regular quarterly dividend on common stock of 74.5 cents per share payable Oct. 1, 1990, to shareowners of record Sept. 10.

The company also declared regular quarterly dividends on its preferred and preference stock payable Oct. 1 to shareowners of record Sept. 10 as follows:

Preferred		Preferred (cont.)	
4 1/2 percent	$1.125	8.00 percent Series	$2.00
3.35 percent Series	$ .8375	8.60 percent Series	$2.15

4.40 percent Series	$1.10	8.75 percent Series	$2.1875
4.60 percent Series	$1.15	9.00 percent Series	$2.25
6.875 percent Series	$1.71875	9.24 percent Series	$2.31
7.00 percent Series	$1.75	Preference	
7.375 percent Series	$1.84375	$8.00 Series	$2.00
7.40 percent Series	$1.85	$8.40 Series	$2.10
7.82 percent Series	$1.955	$8.70 Series	$2.175
7.9270 percent Series	$1.98175		

PP&L supplies electricity to a 10,000-square-mile area of 29 counties in central eastern Pennsylvania. Among the communities it serves are Allentown, Bethlehem, Harrisburg, Hazleton, Lancaster, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and Williamsport.

CONTACT: Charles E. Russoli of Pennsylvania Power & Light, 215-770-5240

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeles Corp. (AMEX: ANG) today announced that it has reached an agreement to acquire its joint venture partner's interest in four factory-direct shopping malls and a related property management and development business for an undisclosed amount.

Angeles has agreed to buy the interest of its joint venture partner, H & W Venture Company, Knoxville, Tenn., in four malls that Angeles and H & W developed and owned jointly. The malls, operating as Factory Merchants Etc., have an estimated aggregate value in excess of $70 million. Located in Barstow, Calif., Wytheville, Va., Osage Beach, Mo., and Branson Mo., their aggregate square footage is in excess of 800,000 square feet.

In addition, Angeles has agreed to acquire all rights to the names Factory Merchants and Factory Merchants Etc., all operating systems, methods and management agreements regarding the projects, as well as the right to acquire all existing management personnel employment contracts.

Angeles, which manages more than 175 commercial and residential properties in 30 states and in Canada, has been active in factory- direct retailing since 1986 when for affiliates it acquired Factory Merchants Etc. Mall of Pigeon Forge, Tenn., and Burlington Outlet Mall in Burlington, N.C.

Joseph Cattivera, Angeles president, said the purchase is further indication of the company's commitment to the factory-direct retailing concept. "We have been encouraged by the success of our existing properties and anticipate additional Factory Merchants malls will be developed or acquired in the future."

The transaction is expected to close in approximately two weeks. Angeles Corp. is an investment management company whose subsidiaries manage in excess of $4 billion in securities, real estate, mutual fund and leased equipment assets for corporations and institutions, and for more than 130,000 individual investors.

CONTACT: Steve Leach of Angeles Corp., 213-284-3598, or 800-421-4374, ext. 598

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#90235p8390 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Primerica Corporation (NYSE: PA) announced today that it has completed the sale of its PennCorp Financial group of insurance companies to PCF Acquisition Corporation, a new holding company formed by the investment group DJS/Inverness, for approximately $300 million.

Primerica expects no material aftertax gain or loss from the sale. As part of the transaction, Primerica is purchasing a limited equity and debt interest in PCF Acquisition. The PennCorp Financial group of companies includes Pennsylvania Life Insurance Company and Executive Fund Life Insurance Company which underwrite and market specialized individual life and accident and health insurance products throughout the United States and Canada.

PCF Acquisition Corporation is the holding company led by DJS/Inverness which was established to acquire the PennCorp Financial group of insurance companies. DJS/Inverness is a private company providing diversified financial services to public and private corporations and management groups.

Primerica Corporation is a diversified financial services company principally engaged in life, credit, accident & health, and property & casualty insurance, investment banking and securities brokerage, mortgage banking, mutual funds, asset management, consumer lending, credit cards and direct mail marketing. The company had assets of approximately $21 billion as of June 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Mary McDermott, 212-891-8870, or Ken Koprowski, 212-891-8871, both of Primerica

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MILPITAS, CA. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Linear Technology Corp. (NASDAQ: LLTC) today announced that it would continue to repurchase stock as previously authorized by its Board of Directors in July of 1989. At that

time the company was authorized to repurchase, from time to time, up to 1,000,000 shares of its outstanding common stock in the open market. To date the company has purchased 380,000 shares.

The company, whose shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, stated that volume and timing of any stock purchases would depend on market conditions.

Robert H. Swanson, Linear Technology's president and CEO, said the intent to repurchase common stock is in response to stock market conditions and that repurchasing stock could offset dilution in shareownership resulting from employee stock option and stock purchase plans.

Linear Technology Corporation was founded in 1981 as a manufacturer of high performance linear integrated circuits. Linear Technology products include operational, instrumentation and audio amplifiers; voltage regulators, references, comparators and converters; switched- capacitor filters; communications interface circuits; one-chip data acquisition systems; pulse-width modulators and sample-and-hold devices. Applications for Linear Technology's high performance circuits include lap top and desk top computers, computer peripherals, cellular telephones, electronic testers, industrial and medical electronic instruments, automotive controls, process controls, factory automation products, and avionics.

CONTACT: Paul Coghlan of Linear Technology, 408-432-1900

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - A group headed by DJS/Inverness, a privately owned diversified financial services organization, today completed the purchase of the PennCorp Financial group of insurance companies from Primerica Corp. (NYSE: PA) for approximately $300 million.

The PennCorp Group includes Pennsylvania Life Insurance Company, Executive Fund Life Insurance Company and Trans Pacific Life Insurance Company. Collectively, they underwrite and market specialized individual life and accident and health insurance products in 46 states, Washington, D.C., and Canada, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Preliminary agreement was originally announced last September but was subject to regulatory approvals, including approvals from state insurance commissioners, and other customary closing conditions.

A holding company, PCF Acquisition Company, was formed by the purchasing group to make the acquisition. In addition to DJS/Inverness, the group includes Greenberg & Fickes, Ltd., a company which has been active in insurance industry acquisitions, and William M. McCormick, former chief

executive officer of Fireman's Insurance Co., who will become chairman and CEO of the acquired units. Steven W. Fickes has been named vice chairman and chief financial officer.

David J. Stone, chairman of DJS/Inverness, is chairman of PCF Acquisition Co., and Allan D. Greenberg, chairman of Greenberg & Fickes, is vice chairman of PCF.

"We are delighted to complete this acquisition," said McCormick. "PennCorp with its great people have a bright future."

The acquiring team also indicated the acquisition may not be its last joint venture in the industry. "Based on the success of this transaction, I anticipate we, along with Greenberg & Fickes and Bill McCormick will look at additional investments in the insurance industry," noted Stone.

CONTACT: Dick Tellis, 212-887-8713, for DJS/Inverness Group

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#90235p8403 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, Calif. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - International Technology Corp. (NYSE: ITX) announced today it has completed the acquisition of United States Testing Company Inc.'s (UST's) analytical laboratory located in Richland, Wash. In accordance with the terms of the previously announced definitive agreement, IT acquired the assets of UST's analytical laboratory for cash.

UST's Richland laboratory employs approximately 100 people and contains a complete range of equipment to perform testing of hazardous nuclear, chemical and mixed waste substances.

"This acquisition strengthens IT's existing laboratory network and provides the increased capabilities to capture a significant share of the projected high growth mixed waste analytical market," said Murray H. Hutchison, chairman and chief executive officer.

International Technology Corp., based in Torrance, is a leading environmental management company providing services to government and industry. The company's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ITX.

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COATESVILLE, PA. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Lukens Steel Co., the nation's third largest producer of plate steels, today announced it would raise the base prices of carbon plate steel, high strength low alloy plate steel and carbon steel floor plate by $20 a ton effective with orders received Aug. 27 or later and scheduled for shipment beginning Oct. 15, 1990.

The price increase moves carbon and HSLA steel plate from $465 to $485 a ton and carbon floor plate from $505 to $525. The company last raised the base price of these products on Aug. 1, 1988.

The company said the effective date was delayed until Oct. 15 because lead times (the time between order and delivery) are getting longer due to the current increase in demand for plate steel. The company said the Oct. 15 date gives customers the opportunity to place orders for shipment before the price increases.

Lukens Steel specializes in the production of carbon, alloy and clad steel plate in thicknesses from 3/16 inch to 30 inches.

Lukens Steel Co. is the largest subsidiary of Lukens Inc. (NYSE: LUC), a diversified company with subsidiaries supplying plate steel, pipe coating and cathodic protection services, highway construction zone safety products, reflective and industrial glass beads and heavy materials handling equipment.

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TEL AVIV, ISRAEL (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Aryt Optronics Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: ARYTF) announced today the decision to invest $4 million in Geotek Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: GOTK) for which Aryt shall receive 2,666,666 Geotek shares. The agreement also stipulates that Aryt shall sell Geotek its holdings in Ophir Optics of Jerusalem, Israel, and lend Geotek $3 million for 6 years with interest calculated at the prevailing CD rate of major U.S. banks. At Aryt's option the loan may be converted into Geotek common stock at $3 per share.

Geotek manufactures a variety of products for the computer and telecommunication industries in Israel and in the United States, including high quality transformers and power supplies. The company also manufactures sophisticated electronic fuzes for munitions and other mechanical defense articles.

Aryt Optronics Industries Ltd. is a leading independent designer and manufacturer of diamond-turned optical elements, coatings, specialized instrumentation and subsystems for electro-optical systems.

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, Inc., 212-545-8400, for Aryt Optronics

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CHICAGO (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Continental Bank Corp. (NYSE:CBK) Board of Directors has declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the corporation's common stock. The third-quarter dividend is payable on Sept. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 10, 1990. There are 49,687,323 shares of Continental common stock currently outstanding.

The board also declared a dividend of $0.9813 per share on the 1,788,000 outstanding shares of the corporation's adjustable rate preferred stock, Series 1. The $1,754,564.40 dividend for the third quarter is payable on Sept. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 10, 1990.

A dividend of $2.4876 per share was declared on the 3,000,000 outstanding shares of the corporation's adjustable-rate cumulative preferred stock, Series 2, equalling 62.19 cents for each depositary share. The $7,462,800 dividend is payable on Sept. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 10, 1990.

The board also declared a dividend of 31.25 cents per share on the corporation's junior perpetual convertible preference stock which is held solely by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC). The FDIC currently owns 3,263,810 shares of the preference stock, which convert to 4,079,762 shares of common stock upon transfer.

Continental Bank Corp. is a market-driven bank holding company devoted to serving corporations, institutional investors and individuals with complex financial requirements. Through its subsidiaries, the corporation arranges financing, makes markets, manages financial risk and processes cash and securities on behalf of its customers in key capital markets worldwide.

CONTACT: William C. Murschel, 312-923-5130, or Edgar P. McDougal, 312-923-5200, both of Continental Bank

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Norwest Investment Services, Inc. (NISI), a unit of Norwest Corporation, has promoted Keven S. Hayhurst to a new position as senior vice president and head of NISI operations in

Wisconsin, based in Milwaukee. He was manager of the NISI office in Duluth, Minn.

John McCune, manager of retail sales at NISI, said that as part of the expansion in Wisconsin, NISI is incorporating into its Wisconsin operations investment functions of the former First Interstate Corporation of Wisconsin, which Norwest acquired effective May 1 of this year.

McCune said NISI initially will have offices in Milwaukee and Sheboygan. Norwest Investment Services offers a broad array of investment products, including fixed income and equity investments.

Hayhurst was born in Kenmare, N.D. and grew up in Minot, N.D. He is a 1981 graduate of the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks with a bachelor's degree in business administration. Shortly after graduating, he joined Norwest at its bank in Aberdeen, S.D. In 1984, he transferred to Norwest Bank South Dakota in Sioux Falls, where he was asset liability manager when he joined NISI in Duluth, in 1987.

In Sioux Falls, he served as a loaned executive to United Way in 1986. Hayhurst is married to the former Linda Ruelle of Minot. They have a daughter, Amy, 14 months.

Norwest Corporation is a $26.8 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking-related and specialized financial services through more than 1,290 offices in 47 states and internationally.

CONTACT: Jack Kerr of Norwest Corporation, 612-667-0148

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#90235p8429 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - R.R. Donnelley and Sons Co. (NYSE: DNY) today announced its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 5.6 million shares (approximately 7.2 percent) of its outstanding common stock.

Depending upon market conditions, the repurchase of shares of common stock is expected to be accomplished from time to time, through open market or negotiated transactions. The company intends to use available cash and borrowings for the stock repurchase.

CONTACT: Ronald G. Eidell, vice president and treasurer of Donnelley, 312-326-8375

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Time Management Corporation today reported revenues for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, of $273,400 as compared to $535,208 in revenues reported for the second quarter of 1989. The company reported net income for the second quarter of $16,154, or $.01 per share, versus a loss of $(455,841), or $(.18) per share, for the comparable 1989 period. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the net profit was $96,787 on total revenues of $718,852 versus a loss of $(584,683) on total revenues of $1,513,386 for the comparable 1989 period. The current year-to-date net profit reflects settlements obtained with certain vendors resulting in the cancellation of $259,488 of liabilities, which was recorded as other income.

Time Management Corporation designs, sells, installs, and supports a microprocessor-based employee time management systems used to reduce labor costs through automated scheduling, recording, reporting, and controlling of employee work schedules.

CONTACT: David P. Webb of Time Management Corporation, 612-542-8333

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#90235p8433 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Norwest Bank Minnesota announced today the expansion of the areas eligible for inclusion in its Community Home Ownership Program.

The Norwest program encourages home ownership and home improvements in targeted inner-city areas of Minneapolis and St. Paul and has made $10 million available for first mortgage real estate loans. The program also offers second mortgage loans and home improvement emergency loans.

"This program responds to the need for affordable home ownership for residents who pay monthly rent but are ineligible for home loans due to current lending guidelines," said Jim Gossen, Norwest Bank's regional manager in Minneapolis.

According to Gossen, the expansion came as a response to community input. The expanded areas are now the same as the target areas of the Neighborhood Revitalization Programs (NRP) of Minneapolis and St. Paul. These programs are sometimes referred to as Urban Revitalization Action Programs (URAP).

"We're pleased that, through the involvement of the community, we were able to set more realistic boundaries," Gossen said. "We think this will help us meet our goal of providing a greater opportunity for affordable home ownership among residents of Minneapolis and St. Paul."

The Community Home Ownership Program remains the same including these

guidelines:

-- maximum purchase price of $79,000;
-- minimum downpayment of five percent;
-- minimum loan of $10,000;
-- no private mortgage insurance required;
-- applicant's demonstration of continuous income.

Additionally, an eligible applicant's debt-to-income ratio is less restrictive than most comparable programs.

Norwest Bank Minnesota is the largest banking affiliate of Norwest Corporation (NYSE: NOB), a $26.8 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking-related and specialized financial services through more than 1,290 offices in 47 states and internationally.

CONTACT: Sharon O'Neal of Norwest 612-667-7802

-30- 2227

#90235p8442 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, CA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - CII Financial Inc. (NASDAQ: CIIF) announced today that the company filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to $40,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2005. The underwriters for the offering will be Kidder, Peabody & Co. Inc., Allen & Co. Inc. and Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards Inc.

CII Financial Inc. is a holding company which is engaged in writing workers' compensation insurance in California through its wholly owned subsidiary, California Indemnity Insurance Co. ("CIIC"). CIIC services workers' compensation accounts of all sizes, but concentrates on small to medium-size companies, those companies with annual premiums of less than $50,000. Based in Burbank, CIIC also serves Northern California through its Sacramento regional office.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. The securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

A copy of the prospectus contained in the registration statement may be obtained from the underwriters or Joseph G. Havlick, chairman of the board and president, CII Financial Inc., 4001 W. Alameda Ave., Burbank, Calif

91505; 818-846-5297.

CONTACT: Joseph G. Havlick, chairman of the board and president, CII Financial Inc., 818-846-5297

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#90235p8443 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CULVER CITY, CALIF. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Fleet Aerospace Corporation (NASDAQ: FLAI) announced the consummation yesterday of the sale of substantially all of the assets and the assumption of certain specified liabilities of Engineered Magnetics, Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiary, AAP, Inc. to EM Acquisition Corporation, a corporation formed by I.D. Miller and W.R. Zimmerman of Los Angeles. EM, which specializes in designing electronic subsystems for the aerospace and defense market, was a wholly-owned subsidiary of Fleet.

Fleet Aerospace Corporation, through its companies, manufactures components, structures and sub-systems for the commercial aerospace and defense market.

CONTACT: L. Dale Foster of Fleet Aerospace, 213-649-4391

-30- 935

#90235p8446 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BELLEVUE, WA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Edmark Corp. (OTC Pink Sheets) announced today improved sales and results for the fourth quarter.

Sales for the fourth quarter totaled $1,022,294, up 9 percent from a strong fourth quarter in 1989. The net income for the quarter was $184,663, or $0.102 per share, considerably improved from the net income of $2,000, or $0.001 per share, in the year earlier period. Per share results are adjusted for the 1 for 3 reverse stock split which occurred in November 1989.

"The fourth quarter is seasonally our strongest quarter," said Sally Narodick, chief executive officer, "and the results for this period reflect the progress that has been made in restoring our margins."

Narodick attributed the improved performance to the resolution of previously reported supply and cost problems on the TouchWindow which had adversely impacted the year ago quarter. "Strong sales of new and existing products and continued emphasis on expense control also contributed to the improvement," she reported.

Sales by Edmark Corp. increased 14 percent to $3,372,850 for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 -- up from $2,946,410 the previous year. Profits

for the year totaled $24,149 or $0.013 per share, down from $91,565 or $0.051 per share.

"The supply and cost problems with the TouchWindow product line had a severe impact on the full year results," Narodick said, "but the fourth quarter reflects the return to normalized margins."

Edmark Corp. publishes basic curriculum education materials in both print and software versions. Copies of Edmark's 1990 educational materials catalog and software catalog are available from Edmark Corp., P.O. Box 3903, Bellevue, Wash., 98009-3903.

EDMARK CORP.
KEY FINANCIAL ITEMS

Fourth Quarter Ended June 30:	1990	1989
Sales	$ 1,022,294	$ 937,475
Net earnings	184,663	2,000
Current assets	1,369,872	1,265,693
Total assets	1,644,752	1,551,024
Current Liabilities	651,542	583,604
Stockholders' equity	983,826	954,927
Current ratio	2.10 to 1	2.17 to 1
Debt to equity	0.37 to 1	0.28 to 1
Earnings per share	0.102	0.001

CONTACT: Fred G. McCulloch of Edmark Corp., 206-746-3900

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#90235p8450 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLENVIEW, IL (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Geoffrey C. Bible, president and chief administrative officer of Kraft General Foods, has announced that Kraft General Foods, the multinational food business of Philip Morris Companies Inc. (NYSE: MO), will be the title sponsor of the 1990 World Cup of Golf. The tournament, which will be known as the World Cup Golf by Kraft General Foods, will be played at Grand Cypress Resort in Orlando, Fla., from November 21-24.

Making the announcement, Bible, said: ''The corporate sponsorship of the World Cup of Golf provides Kraft General Foods with the unique opportunity to become associated with the oldest and most prestigious international team competition in golf. We, at Kraft General Foods, are excited at the prospect of the World Cup being played in Florida next November.''

''I am sure the competition will be played in the true spirit of goodwill and sportsmanship which, after all,'' continued Bible, ''is what John Jay Hopkins, the tournament founder, set out to achieve all those years ago.''

The World Cup is an international two-man team competition played over 72 holes, which this year will take place on the north and south nines of the Jack Nicklaus-designed Grand Cypress Resort. The competition will feature 64 of some of the world's best golfers, representing 32 countries, playing for a total prize fund of $1.1 million.

The United States will be represented by PGA Tour star Payne Stewart, the 1989 PGA championship winner, and one of the game's most colorful players. He has won twice on the PGA tour this season, scoring back to back victories in the MCI Heritage Classic at Hilton Head Island, as well as winning the GTE Byron Nelson Classic at Las Colinas. Stewart's team mate is Jodie Mudd, winner of this year's prestigious TPC at Sawgrass.

Last year's World Cup of Golf was played in Marbella, Spain, where the Australian team of Peter Fowler and Wayne Grady (winner of the 1990 PGA Championship at Shoal Creek) were the winners of the rain shrunk 36-hole event. The Spanish team of Jose-Maria Olazabal and Jose-Maria Canizares finished in second place, with the United States and Sweden tied for third.

The dates of the tournament have been brought forward by a day to coincide with NBC's Network coverage of the final day's play on Saturday.

In addition to The World Cup of Golf, Kraft General Foods is the world-wide sponsor of the women's professional tennis tour comprised of 61 events in 20 countries, including the Grand Slams, for over $23 million in prize money.

CONTACT: Tom Keim of Kraft General Foods, 914-335-1435; David Marren of Charles Stewart & Company Ltd., 44-81-994-7551, for Kraft General Foods; or Kaye Kessler of the International Golf Association, 303-730-8364

-30- 2972

#90235p8451 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The president of Giant Pacific Petroleum Inc. is pleased to advise that the company has concluded negotiations to acquire all of the issued capital of Striker Resources N.L. ("Striker") subject to certain conditions being met and formal documentation being completed. Striker is an Australian registered company involved in the exploration of diamonds holding significant interests in and options on prospective diamond areas located in the rich Kimberley region of Western Australia and in Botswana.

Striker further holds title to land and buildings and a full inventory of exploration and mining equipment.

This acquisition of Striker follows the recently announced change in

control of the company and in direct response to fulfilling new objectives to diversify the company's natural resource activities both geographically and resource wise. Such investment will provide direct exposure to an exciting industry that has been able to withstand adverse economic fluctuations under controlled conditions.

The consideration to be paid for the acquisition is 1,400,000 common shares at $0.25 per share in the capital of the company.

The company will continue to expand its existing oil and gas production portfolio through acquisitions of new properties around the world, utilizing Striker in its search for opportunities in the Pacific.

CONTACT: Bruce Weaver, president, Giant Pacific Petroleum Inc., 416-941-9440

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#90235p8453 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

SURREY, British Columbia (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Kerkhoff Industries Inc. (AMEX: KIX) announced today its audited results for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990. Revenues have increased by Cdn. $1.8 million from Cdn. $16.6 million in 1989 to Cdn $18.4 million. Net income was Cdn $35,000 or Cdn. $0.01 per share, which compares with net income of Cdn $2.9 million or Cdn $0.97 per share in 1989. The 1989 results were after giving effect to an extraordinary item of Cdn $917,000. Assets have increased markedly from Cdn $12.9 million in 1989 to Cdn $37.9 million reflecting the increase in real estate and manufacturing activity.

In addition, the company announced that revenues for the fourth quarter ended May 31, 1990 were Cdn $7.3 million as compared with Cdn $5.2 million for the comparable period in 1989. A profit of Cdn $.4 million (Cdn $0.11 per share) was recorded for the period which compares with a profit of Cdn $2.0 million (Cdn $0.63 per share) for the similar period last year. The 1989 result included an extraordinary item of Cdn $0.9 million.

Bill Kerkhoff, president and chief executive officer, said in Vancouver today that 1990 had been a period of consolidation and growth. "Revenues have been derived almost entirely from our manufacturing division which nearly trebled its revenues and is becoming a significant factor in the British Columbia building product industry.''

He said that real estate development, which was the major contributor to net income in 1989 due to sales of two projects, did not contribute significantly in 1990. ''The nature of the development business is such that projects do not always fall within the one year accounting cycle. Indeed, probably the most significant event in terms of value added has been the rezoning of our Port Moody Town Center project from general

industry to high density residential. We are very excited about some of our projects, and believe that 1991 should be a profitable year.''

Kerkhoff Industries Inc. is engaged in real estate development and building products manufacturing. The company's common stock trades on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol KIX.

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-30- 2455

#90235p8456 08/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Collins Foods International Inc. (NYSE: CF) today declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per share, payable Oct. 12, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 26, 1990.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	66	56	.541	-	39-21	27-35	5-5	W-1
Toronto	65	59	.524	2	32-29	33-30	5-5	L-3
Baltimore	58	64	.475	8	27-28	31-36	4-6	L-1
Detroit	58	67	.464	9 1/2	30-34	28-33	5-5	W-2
Cleveland	57	66	.463	9 1/2	32-29	25-37	4-6	W-1
Milwaukee	55	67	.451	11	28-34	27-33	7-3	L-1
New York	52	70	.426	14	29-29	23-41	6-4	W-6
West								
Oakland	78	46	.629	-	40-22	38-24	6-4	W-1
Chicago	71	50	.587	5 1/2	36-27	35-23	5-5	L-1
Texas	64	60	.516	14	35-27	29-33	5-5	W-1
Kansas City	61	62	.496	16 1/2	36-28	25-34	7-3	W-3
Seattle	61	63	.492	17	32-33	29-30	3-7	L-1
California	61	63	.492	17	32-30	29-33	6-4	L-2
Minnesota	55	69	.444	23	29-33	26-36	2-8	L-8

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#90235u0123 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - There's little evidence late Wednesday that the permanent

members of the U-N Security Council were about to agree to give U-N backing to the military enforcement of the sanctions against Iraq. But following negotiations at the French U-N Mission, the U-S ambassador to the United Nations says he's ''a bit more optimstic'' than before. A U-S official says the Bush administration hopes to bring the matter before the full Security Council by sometime Thursday.

The Salvadoran government and leftist rebels wrapped up peace talks in Costa Rica Wednesday without a single agreement and with little hope of a cease-fire in the near future. But the U-N mediator says the talks were- in his words- ''most certainly NOT a waste of time.'' He reports some progress toward possible agreements on the armed forces at the next round of talks... set for mid-September in San Jose.

The rebels say they'll continue to prepare for an offensive... rumored to be planned for some time this fall. Guerrilla leaders say it's their only recourse to advance their position in the talks aimed at ending more than 10 years of civil war.

Philippine police say suspected rebel soldiers exploded a bomb outside a government office in Manila's tourist district shortly before midnight Wednesday. The blast caused minor damage, but NO injuries. The bombing took place as officials launched ''Operation Night Watch'' in a bid to thwart a rebel threat to oust President Aquino. It was the fourth bombing in a 24-hour period and at least the 19th in the capital since July 13th.

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#90235u0124 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - New Hampshire's controversial Seabrook nuclear power plant shut down automatically Wednesday... three days after it began regular full-power operations. Cause of the shutdown is NOT known. Utility officials say they do NOT know how long the six-point-six-BILLION-dollar facility will be idle.

New York authorities say a newlywed man riding on a subway train in Brooklyn was stabbed to death Wednesday afternoon as he tried to fight off two teen-agers attempting to rob him. Police say 29-year-old Harry Cantave... who was married just last month... may have worked as a hospital security guard and was carrying a pistol at the time of the attack, but did NOT use it.

The Persian Gulf crisis has become fodder for a bitter House race in Oregon. Republican Representative Denny Smith Wednesday accused his Democratic opponent of ''cozying up'' to Iraq's Saddam Hussein . Challenger Mike Kopetski... a former state lawmaker... says the comment shows how Smith- in Kopetski's words- ''can sink to new, lower depths.''

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#90235u0134 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 23) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

Cleveland - Optioned pitcher Jeff Shaw and infielder Jeff Manto to Colorado Springs of Pacific Coast League (AAA); recalled pitcher Sergio Valdez from Colorado Springs.

Milwaukee - Signed pitcher Ron Robinson to a 3-year contract.

San Diego - Signed pitcher Atlee Hammaker; optioned catcher Tom Lampkin to Las Vegas of the Pacific Coast League (AAA).

Basketball

Houston - Signed forward Matt Bullard.

Football

Cincinnati - Agreed to terms with wide receiver Tim McGee.

Denver - Waived quarterback Todd Ellis, wide receivers Ken Bell, Pierre Goode and Darryl Tillman, offensive lineman Eric Coyle, tight end Jon Embree, defensive linemen Mark Mraz and Robb White, linebackers Ron Sancho and Rod Stephens, defensive backs Tony Jones and Brian McPhatter, kicker Ian Howfield and punter Paul Calhoun.

NY Giants - Signed cornerback Mark Collins and nose tackle Erik Howard to 2-year contracts.

Phoenix - Signed running back Anthony Thompson.

Pittsburgh - Waived quarterback Randy Wright.

Hockey

Minnesota - Traded forward Ken Hodge to Boston for a future considerations.

-30- 1301
#90235u0153 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - Scientific sleuths have devised a powerful new tool to track down elephant poachers - a method that uses the chemical makeup of ivory to pinpoint a slain elephant's origin, it was reported.

Two teams of South African researchers said they have developed techniques that can examine ivory from an elephant tusk and determine the general region where the huge animal roamed when it was alive. That information could provide valuable clues to conservationists trying to stop poachers who are killing endangered elephants for their ivory, which is sold overseas and made into jewelry, piano keys and carved trinkets.

Prior to the recent ban on commercial imports of ivory by the United States, Japan and other countries, poaching for international trade had been a major factor in the decimation of elephants. Africa's elephant population, estimated to be about 1.3 million in the late 1970s, fell to less than half that number by 1989.

Past efforts to identify the geographic source of ivory by examining its ratios of carbon and nitrogen isotopes did not work very well.

Now, South African researchers have found that looking at levels of the metallic element strontium, along with carbon and nitrogen, offers an accurate way of identifying ivory's origin and thus provides ''a potentially powerful tool for the control of illegal trading in ivory.''

In a study published Wednesday in the British journal Nature, a team headed by N.J. van der Merwe of the University of Cape Town examined ivory and bone specimens from more than 100 adult elephants collected by wildlife officers or police in 20 game refuge areas in 10 African nations.

Some overlap was found among the regions in distributions of carbon and nitrogen isotopes in the ivory - ratios determined primarily by the volume and composition of the plants the elephants eat. However, in such cases, the ratio of strontium isotopes - which reflect the composition of the region's underlying rocks - could be used to draw distinctions, the researchers said.

The scientists said practical application of the method will require a more comprehensive index of ivory's chemical makeup for all regions where elephants exist in Africa.

''Such a database could provide the foundation for international control of the ivory trade and hence for the conservation of the elephant and its habitat,'' the researchers wrote.

Isotopes are two or more forms of an element having the same or very similar properties, except they differ in atomic weight. Subtle variations in the rations of isotopes can be measured by a technique called mass spectrometry.

Another team, headed by J.C. Vogel of EMATEK Division in Pretoria, also reported that isotope ratios of carbon, nitrogen and strontium in ivory or

bones uncovered ''a clear distinction'' between several different elephant populations in South Africa and Namibia. Besides those elements, isotopes of lead may also help trace the origin of ivory, they said.

John Patton of Washington University in St. Louis, who recently developed a technique that employs the genetic makeup of tissue attached to ivory tusks to trace a slain elephant's family ties, said he thinks the isotope tests should complement his effort.

So far, Patton has been able to use his experimental genetic test to distinguish between tissue from elephants that live in Kenya and those that live in Tanzania.

Although most tusks taken from elephants retain some gum tissue, Patton said his genetic fingerprinting technique so far has not worked on tusks without tissue or in ivory already fashioned into artifacts. However, he said his genetic test should cost about $75 to $100 per animal compared to about $300 per animal for isotope testing.

Combining both tests would offer the ''best of both worlds'' in terms of precisely catching poachers and understanding how poaching and various environmental factors are affecting the elephant's genetic pool, he said.

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#90235u0168 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Baseball

American League

Milwaukee at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Seattle at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
California at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.

National League

Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Houston at Atlanta, 7:40 p.m.
Philadelphia at San Francisco, 10:05 p.m.
New York at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.
Williamsport, Pa. - Little League World Series

Cycling

Maebashi, Japan - World Cycling Championships.

Golf
Akron, Ohio - PGA NEC World Series of Golf
Minneapolis - $375,000 Northgate LPGA Classic
Chattanooga, Tenn. - PGA Chattanooga Classic.

Tennis
Commack, N.Y. - Men's $250,000 Hamlet Challenge Cup
Forest Hills, N.Y., - $350,000 WCT Tournament of Champions
Mahwah, N.J. - Women's $225,000 United Jersey Bank Classic

Track and Field
Linkoping, Sweden - Modern Pentathlon, Women's World Championships

-30- 1055
#90235u0207 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 23) UPI - King Hussein of Jordan says he'll leave Thursday on a tour of the Persian Gulf region in a bid to mediate the crisis. Says the monarch- ''I believe very much there is an Arab role to played.'' On Wednesday, Joradanian officials announced that the border with Iraq would be sealed at midnight to prevent foreign nationals from flooding into the country from Iraq and Kuwait. It's not known if Jordanian border guards will turn any foreign nationals trying to flee Iraq over to Iraqi troops.

Anxiety over the situation in the Middle East translated into another downward turn for the Tokyo Stock Exchange Thursday. The Nikkei average- Japan's equivalant of the Dow Jones Industrial Average- plunged more than one-thousand yen for the second morning in a row. The loss brought the market to a new low for the year of 24-thousand 206 point-95.

East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere says October 3rd will be ''a major date'' that people should mark on their diaries. De Maizier's comments follow an early Thursday morning vote in which the East German Parliament agreed conditionally to set October 3rd as the date for German reunification- slightly more than 45 years after its division. Once the conditions are fulfilled, the decision is binding. West Germany's constitution says former German states may merge with the federal republic by simply declaring the wish to do so.

NASA officials say they ''DON'T have a clue'' as to what caused the Magellan Venus probe to fall silent for the second time in a week. Late Wednesday, technicians at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, re-established two-way communications with the craft. They DON'T think the problem is related to last week's glitch that also caused a loss of contact.

Space agency engineers are trying to determine how between 100 and 200 tiny glass beads got into a fuel line aboard the Columbia. But a NASA

official says they believe the beads caused the hydrogen leak that grounded the shuttle. The beads were found about two weeks ago when the leaky piece of equipment- a ''disconnect'' assembly used to mate the shuttle to its external fuel tank- was sent to the Irvine, California, company where it was made.

-30- 2417

#90235u0244 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Anderson cf	4	0	2	0	Reed 2b	4	0	1	2
Finley rf	4	1	0	0	Quintana 1b	4	1	0	0
CRipken ss	4	0	1	0	Boggs 3b	4	2	1	0
Horn dh	3	0	0	0	Burks cf	5	3	3	2
Kittle ph	1	0	1	1	Greenwell lf	4	2	2	2
Orsulak lf	3	0	1	0	Romine lf	1	0	1	2
Devereax cf	1	0	1	1	Plantier dh	2	0	0	0
Hulett 3b	3	0	1	0	Brunnsky dh	2	1	1	0
Melvin c	4	0	1	0	Marshall rf	4	1	1	1
Hoiles 1b	4	0	0	0	Pena c	1	2	0	0
Ripken 2b	2	1	1	0	Rivera ss	4	1	1	3
Totals	33	2	9	2	Totals	35	13	11	12

Baltimore 000 000 020- 2

Boston 000 520 06x- 13

E-Hulett. DP-Boston 3. LOB-Bal- timore 9, Boston 5. 2B-Greenwell, Reed, Brunansky. HR-Burks (13), Greenwell (8), Rivera (5). SB-Finley (17), Pena (3), Orsulak (5), Hulett (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
McDonald (L 5-2)	3 2-3	4	5	5	4	1
Bautista	3 1-3	2	2	2	1	2
Ballard	1	5	6	5	2	0
Boston						
Boddicker (W 12-8)	7 2-3	7	2	2	3	6
Murphy	1 1-3	2	0	0	2	1

T-3:06. A-35,189.

Umpires-Home, Palermo; 1b, Scott; 2b, Roe; 3b, Garcia.

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TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Felix	4	0	1	0	Kelly cf	5	1	2	3
Fernandz ss	4	0	1	1	Sax 2b	3	0	0	0
Gruber 3b	4	0	0	0	Azocar lf	4	0	1	0
Bell lf	4	0	0	0	Balboni dh	1	0	0	0
McGriff 1b	3	0	2	0	Hall dh	0	0	0	0
Olerud dh	2	1	1	0	Maas 1b	4	0	1	0
Hill dh	1	0	0	0	Barfield rf	4	0	0	0
Myers c	3	1	1	0	Cerone c	4	0	1	0
Borders ph	0	0	0	0	Leyritz 3b	4	1	2	0
Lee 2b	2	0	0	1	Tolleson pr	0	0	0	0
Wilson cf	3	0	1	0	Velarde 3b	0	0	0	0
					Espinoza ss	4	2	2	1
Totals	30	2	7	2	Totals	33	4	9	4

Toronto 000 020 000- 2
New York 020 020 00x- 4

LOB-Toronto 6, New York 9. 2B- Leyritz, Kelly, Olerud, Azocar. 3B-Espinoza. HR-Kelly (11). SF-Lee.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Cerutti (L 8-9)	4 2-3	6	4	4	3	1
Acker	1 2-3	2	0	0	0	0
Ward	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	1
New York						
Hawkins (W 4-10)	8 1-3	7	2	2	3	1
Righetti (S 27)	2-3	0	0	0	1	0

HBP-by Acker (Hall). T-2:45. A- 25,088.

Umpires-Home, Brinkman; 1b, Reed; 2b, Cooney; 3b, Tschida.

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MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
Gladden lf	5	0	1	0	Seitzer 3b	4	1	2	0
Liriano 2b	4	1	0	0	McRae cf	2	1	1	0
Bush rf	2	1	1	0	Brett dh	4	0	2	1
Moses rf	2	0	1	0	Tartabull rf	3	1	0	0
Hrbek 1b	3	0	1	0	Perry 1b	4	1	1	0
Gaetti 3b	4	0	0	0	Eisenreich lf	4	0	2	2
Larkin dh	3	0	1	0	Stillwell ss	4	1	1	1

Mack cf	3	0	0	1	Macfarlan c	4	1	2	2
Ortiz c	4	0	1	1	White 2b	4	0	1	0
Newman ss	4	0	1	0					
Totals	34	2	7	2	Totals	33	6	12	6

Minnesota 002 000 000- 2
Kansas City 113 000 10x- 6

E-Newman, Liriano. DP-Minnesota 4. LOB-Minnesota 10, Kansas City 6. 2B-Perry, Larkin, Gladden. HR-Macfarlane (6). S-McRae.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Erickson (L 3-4)	2 1-3	7	5	3	2	0
Drummond	3 2-3	2	0	0	0	0
Wayne	1	2	1	1	0	0
Aguilera	1	1	0	0	0	0
Kansas City						
Gordon (W 9-9)	9	7	2	2	5	9

WP-Gordon, Wayne. T-2:29. A- 24,483.

Umpires-Home, Voltaggio; 1b, Shulock; 2b, McClelland; 3b, Denkinger.

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OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
RHendrsn lf	4	2	1	0	Johnson cf	4	0	0	0
Lansford 3b	5	1	3	0	Ventura 3b	3	0	1	0
Canseco dh	5	0	2	1	Calderon lf	4	0	0	0
McGwire 1b	4	0	0	0	Pasqua dh	4	0	0	0
Hassey c	4	1	1	0	Fisk c	3	1	1	0
Jose rf	4	1	1	0	Thomas 1b	3	0	0	0
Randolph 2b	4	1	3	1	Sosa rf	3	0	2	1
Gallego ss	3	1	2	2	Fletcher 2b	3	0	0	0
Lewis cf	3	0	1	1	Guillen ss	3	0	0	0
Totals	36	7	14	5	Totals	30	1	4	1

Oakland 110 121 001- 7
Chicago 000 000 100- 1

E-Sosa. DP-Oakland 1, Chicago 3. LOB-Oakland 6, Chicago 5. 2B- RHenderson, Hassey, Sosa. 3B-Ran- dolph. HR-Gallego (3). SF-Gallego.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						

Welch (W 21-4)			7	4	1	1	2	4
Honeycutt			1	0	0	0	1	0
Eckersley			1	0	0	0	0	2
Chicago								
Perez (L 11-11)	5	1-3	10	6	5	1	5	
Peterson	3	2-3	4	1	1	2	2	

WP-Perez. T-2:56. A-33,858.

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, McCoy; 2b, Clark; 3b, Phillips.

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MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
Gladden lf	5	0	1	0	Seitzer 3b	4	1	2	0
Liriano 2b	4	1	0	0	McRae cf	2	1	1	0
Bush rf	2	1	1	0	Brett dh	4	0	2	1
Moses rf	2	0	1	0	Tartabull rf	3	1	0	0
Hrbek 1b	3	0	1	0	Perry 1b	4	1	1	0
Gaetti 3b	4	0	0	0	Eisenreich lf	4	0	2	2
Larkin dh	3	0	1	0	Stillwell ss	4	1	1	1
Mack cf	3	0	0	1	Macfarlan c	4	1	2	2
Ortiz c	4	0	1	1	White 2b	4	0	1	0
Newman ss	4	0	1	0					
Totals	34	2	7	2	Totals	33	6	12	6

Minnesota	002 000 000- 2
Kansas City	113 000 10x- 6

E-Newman, Liriano. DP-Minnesota 4. LOB-Minnesota 10, Kansas City 6. 2B-Perry, Larkin, Gladden. HR-Macfarlane (6). S-McRae.

	IP		H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota							
Erickson (L 3-4)	2	1-3	7	5	3	2	0
Drummond	3	2-3	2	0	0	0	0
Wayne			1	2	1	1	0	0
Aguilera			1	1	0	0	0	0
Kansas City								
Gordon (W 9-9)			9	7	2	2	5	9

WP-Gordon, Wayne. T-2:29. A- 24,483.

Umpires-Home, Voltaggio; 1b, Shulock; 2b, McClelland; 3b, Denkinger.

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OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
RHendrsn lf	4	2	1	0	Johnson cf	4	0	0	0
Lansford 3b	5	1	3	0	Ventura 3b	3	0	1	0
Canseco dh	5	0	2	1	Calderon lf	4	0	0	0
McGwire 1b	4	0	0	0	Pasqua dh	4	0	0	0
Hassey c	4	1	1	0	Fisk c	3	1	1	0
Jose rf	4	1	1	0	Thomas 1b	3	0	0	0
Randolph 2b	4	1	3	1	Sosa rf	3	0	2	1
Gallego ss	3	1	2	2	Fletcher 2b	3	0	0	0
Lewis cf	3	0	1	1	Guillen ss	3	0	0	0
Totals	36	7	14	5	Totals	30	1	4	1

Oakland 110 121 001- 7
Chicago 000 000 100- 1

E-Sosa. DP-Oakland 1, Chicago 3. LOB-Oakland 6, Chicago 5. 2B- RHenderson, Hassey, Sosa. 3B-Randolph. HR-Gallego (3). SF-Gallego.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Welch (W 21-4)	7	4	1	1	2	4
Honeycutt	1	0	0	0	1	0
Eckersley	1	0	0	0	0	2
Chicago						
Perez (L 11-11)	5 1-3	10	6	5	1	5
Peterson	3 2-3	4	1	1	2	2

WP-Perez. T-2:56. A-33,858.

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, McCoy; 2b, Clark; 3b, Phillips.

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SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	4	0	0	0	Pettis cf	4	2	2	0
Briley lf	4	1	1	0	Huson 3b	4	1	2	0
Griffey cf	4	0	0	1	Stanley ph	0	0	0	0
Davis dh	4	0	1	0	Reimer ph	1	0	0	0
CMartinz 1b	3	0	0	0	Kunkel 3b	0	0	0	0
Cotto rf	2	0	0	0	Palmeiro 1b	3	0	0	1
Leonard lf	2	0	1	0	Sierra rf	4	0	2	1
Valle c	3	3	1	1	Franco 2b	4	1	1	1
Vizquel ss	3	0	1	1	Baines dh	3	1	1	1

Bradley ph	1	0	0	0	Incaviglia lf	2	0	0	0
Schaefer 3b	2	0	1	0	Daugherty lf	0	0	0	0
EMartinz 3b	1	0	0	0	Petralli c	4	0	2	1
					Green ss	4	0	0	0
Totals	33	4	6	3	Totals	33	5	10	5

Seattle 110 010 100- 4
Texas 011 120 00x- 5

E-Reynolds, Green. DP-Seattle 1, Texas 1. LOB-Seattle 4, Texas 9. 2B-Sierra, Davis. 3B-Briley, Vizquel. HR-Baines (13), Valle (6). SF-Palmeiro.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Swift (L 5-4)	4 2-3	8	5	5	1	1
Comstock	3	2	0	0	1	3
Harris	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Texas						
Ryan (W 12-6)	7	5	4	3	2	5
Rogers	1	0	0	0	0	1
Arnsberg (S 4)	1	1	0	0	0	0

HBP-by Swift 2 (Pettis, Incaviglia). WP-Ryan. PB-Petralli. T-2:51. A-31,780.

Umpires-Home, Young; 1b, Cousins; 2b, Hickox; 3b, Johnson.

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CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi
Polonia lf	4	1	2	1	Phillips 2b	3	2	1	0
Coachmn 3b	3	0	1	0	Fryman 3b	3	4	2	1
White cf	3	1	2	1	Trammell ss	4	0	2	1
Davis rf	4	0	0	0	Fielder 1b	2	0	2	3
Stevens 1b	4	0	0	0	Ward lf	1	0	1	1
Downing dh	4	0	1	1	Shelby lf	1	0	0	0
Hill 2b	4	0	1	0	Lemon rf	3	0	0	0
Schroeder c	4	1	1	0	Moseby cf	4	0	1	0
Schofield ss	3	1	1	1	Coles dh	3	0	2	0
					Sheets dh	1	0	0	0
					Heath c	3	1	0	0
Totals	33	4	9	4	Totals	28	7	11	6

California 000 130 000- 4
Detroit 102 013 00x- 7

E-Hill, Fryman. DP-California 3, Detroit 3. LOB-California 4, Detroit 7.

2B-Coachman, Fielder, Schroeder, Polonia. HR-Fryman (6). SB-Polonia (14), White (17), Heath (6). S-Coachman, Ward. SF-Ward, Fielder.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Finley (L 16-6)	5 1-3	9	7	6	5	5
Eichhorn	1	2	0	0	1	0
McClure	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Fraser	1	0	0	0	1	0
Detroit						
Morris (W 11-15)	7	8	4	4	1	2
Gleaton (S 8)	2	1	0	0	0	1

WP-Finley. T-3:01. A-21,375.

Umpires-Home, Barnett; 1b, Kosc; 2b, Morrison; 3b, Joyce.

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CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Browne 2b	3	0	0	1	Molitor 2b	5	0	3	0
Brookens 1b	3	1	1	1	Surhoff c	5	0	1	0
Manto 1b	0	0	0	0	Sheffield 3b	4	0	0	0
Webster cf	4	1	0	0	Parker dh	4	1	2	0
Maldonad dh	3	1	2	0	Yount cf	4	1	1	2
DJames lf	3	0	1	1	Deer rf	3	0	2	0
Cole Jr cf	0	0	0	0	Brock 1b	3	0	0	0
Baerga 3b	4	0	1	0	Hamilton lf	4	0	1	0
Snyder rf	4	0	0	0	Spiers ss	3	0	0	0
Skinner c	4	1	2	1					
Fermin ss	3	0	0	0					
Totals	31	4	7	4	Totals	35	2	10	2

Cleveland	000 110 011- 4
Milwaukee	000 200 000- 2

E-Fermin. DP-Cleveland 2. LOB- Cleveland 5, Milwaukee 9. 2B-Deer, Molitor, Parker, Skinner. HR-Yount (13), Brookens (1). SB-Webster (19), Brock (4). S-Fermin, Spiers, D James. SF-Browne.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Candiotti (W 13-8)	7	10	2	2	1	5
Jones (S 34)	2	0	0	0	0	0

Milwaukee							
Higuera (L 7-6)	8	1-3	6	4	4	2	5
Crim		2-3	1	0	0	0	0

HBP-by Jones (Deer). T-2:34. A- 20,547.

Umpires-Home, Evans; 1b, Ford; 2b, Welke; 3b, Coble.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	73	50	.593	-	36-24	37-26	8-2	W-1
New York	69	52	.570	3	40-22	29-30	5-5	W-1
Montreal	64	59	.520	9	33-23	31-36	5-5	L-1
Chicago	59	64	.480	14	31-32	28-32	5-5	L-2
Philadel.	58	63	.479	14	29-28	29-35	6-4	L-1
St. Louis	57	67	.460	16 1/2	30-38	27-29	4-6	L-2
West								
Cincinnati	70	52	.574	-	37-25	33-27	5-5	W-2
Los Angeles	64	59	.520	6 1/2	36-26	28-33	6-4	W-1
San Fran.	63	60	.512	7 1/2	33-27	30-33	3-7	W-1
San Diego	58	64	.475	12	32-35	26-29	5-5	L-1
Houston	54	70	.435	17	35-25	19-45	5-5	L-1
Atlanta	47	76	.382	23 1/2	25-34	22-42	4-6	W-2

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(AUG. 23) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
DeShields 2b	4	0	1	0	Butler cf	5	0	1	1
DaMartnz cf	4	0	0	0	Kingery rf	4	0	2	1
Raines lf	4	0	1	0	Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0
Wallach 3b	4	0	0	0	Clark 1b	4	0	1	0
Walker rf	3	0	1	0	Mitchell lf	3	0	1	0
Galarrag 1b	3	1	1	1	Riles 3b	4	0	1	0
Goff c	4	0	2	0	Carter c	4	0	0	0
Owen ss	4	0	2	0	Thompsn 2b	3	0	1	0
Gardner p	3	0	0	0	Anderson ss	4	2	2	0
Ruskin p	0	0	0	0	Garrelts p	2	0	0	0

Burke p	0	0	0	0	Kennedy ph	1	0	1	0
Aldrete ph	1	0	0	0	Parker rf	0	0	0	0
Frey p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	34	1	8	1	Totals	34	2	10	2

One out when winning run scored

Montreal	010 000 000-	1
San Francisco	000 000 101-	2

LOB-Montreal 8, San Francisco 10. 2B-Riles, Anderson. HR-Galarraga (15).
SB-Mitchell (4). S-Parker.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Gardner	6 2-3	7	1	1	2	6
Ruskin	0	1	0	0	0	0
Burke	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Frey (L 5-2)	1-3	2	1	1	0	0
San Francisco						
Garrelts	7	5	1	1	0	10
Bedrosian (W 6-7)	2	3	0	0	0	0

HBP-by Garrelts 2 (Walker, Galarraga). T-2:33. A-28,429.

Umpires-Home, Williams; 1b, Montague; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, Davidson.

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NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Jefferies 2b	5	2	2	0	Roberts ss	4	0	1	0
Magadan 3b	4	1	1	0	Alomar 2b	3	0	1	1
McRynlds lf	5	0	0	0	Gwynn rf	4	0	1	0
Strawbrry rf	3	1	1	1	Carter lf	4	0	0	0
Johnson ss	5	0	1	1	Santiago c	4	0	2	0
Torve 1b	3	0	0	0	JeClark 1b	4	0	1	0
Teufel 1b	2	0	1	0	Pagliarul 3b	2	1	0	0
Franco p	0	0	0	0	Abner cf	3	0	0	0
Boston cf	4	0	1	1	Schiraldi p	1	0	0	0
Sasser c	3	0	2	0	Jackson ph	1	0	0	0
Viola p	4	0	2	0	Lilliquist p	0	0	0	0
O'Malley 3b	0	0	0	0	Templetn ph	1	0	0	0
					Harris p	0	0	0	0
					Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0
Totals	38	4	11	3	Totals	31	1	6	1

New York	011 000 002-	4
San Diego	001 000 000-	1

E-Gwynn. LOB-New York 12, San Diego 5. 2B-Jefferies, Strawberry, Teufel.
SB-Strawberry (15).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Viola (W 16-8)	8	5	1	1	1	7
Franco (S 29)	1	1	0	0	1	0
San Diego						
Schiraldi (L 3-6)	6	6	2	2	2	6
Lilliquist	2	2	0	0	2	2
Harris	2-3	3	2	2	1	1
Rodriguez	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

T-3:02. A-18,547.

Umpires-Home, Davis; 1b, Layne; 2b, Runge; 3b, Winters.

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CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Walton cf	4	0	0	0	Hatcher cf	4	1	1	0
Sandberg 2b	4	0	0	0	Larkin ss	3	0	0	0
Grace 1b	3	1	1	1	Morris 1b	4	1	2	1
Clark lf	4	0	1	0	O'Neill rf	4	1	1	1
Salazar 3b	4	0	0	0	Davis lf	3	1	1	1
Dascenzo rf	3	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	2	0	1	1
Ramos ss	2	0	2	0	Reed c	3	0	0	0
Girardi c	2	0	0	0	Duncan 2b	3	0	0	0
Villanueva c	1	0	1	0	Rijo p	3	0	0	0
Pico p	1	0	0	0					
Wilson p	0	0	0	0					
Smith ph	1	0	0	0					
Assenmchr p	0	0	0	0					
Varsho ph	1	0	0	0					
Williams p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	30	1	5	1	Totals	29	4	6	4

Chicago	000 000 001-	1
Cincinnati	100 201 00x-	4

DP-Cincinnati 1. LOB-Chicago 4, Cincinnati 3. 2B-Hatcher, Morris 2,
O'Neill, Ramos. HR-Davis (16), Grace (6).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Chicago							
Pico (L 4-4)	3	1-3	5	3	3	0	1
Wilson	1	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Assenmacher		2	1	1	1	1	0
Williams		1	0	0	0	1	0
Cincinnati							
Rijo (W 9-6)		9	5	1	1	2	4

T-1:57. A-28,707.

Umpires-Home, Rennert; 1b, Bonin; 2b, Tata; 3b, Hohn.

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HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Yelding cf	4	0	0	0	Backman 3b	3	0	0	0
Doran 2b	2	0	1	0	King 3b	1	0	0	0
Biggio c	3	0	0	0	Bell ss	4	0	0	0
Wilson rf	4	0	0	0	Van Slyke cf	4	0	2	0
Caminiti 3b	4	0	1	0	Bonilla rf	4	0	1	0
Ramirez ss	3	1	1	0	Bonds lf	4	3	2	0
Stubbs 1b	3	1	1	2	Bream 1b	3	1	1	1
Davidson lf	2	0	0	0	LaValliere c	3	0	2	2
Rhodes lf	0	0	0	0	Lind 2b	3	0	0	0
Gullickson p	2	0	0	0	Smiley p	3	0	1	1
Schatzeder p	0	0	0	0	Power p	0	0	0	0
Oberkfell ph	1	0	0	0	Merced ph	1	0	0	0
Agosto p	0	0	0	0	Landrum p	0	0	0	0
Andersen p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	28	2	4	2	Totals	33	4	9	4

Houston	000 000 020-	2
Pittsburgh	020 001 01x-	4

E-Doran 2. DP-Houston 1, Pittsburgh 2. LOB-Houston 3, Pittsburgh 8. 2B-Bream, LaValliere, Ramirez, Bonds. HR-Stubbs (19). SB-Van Slyke (13). S-Bream.

	IP		H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston							
Gullickson (L 8-11)	5	2-3	7	3	2	2	2
Schatzeder	1	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Agosto		1-3	2	1	1	0	0
Andersen		2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Pittsburgh							

Smiley (W 7-6)	7	3	2	2	2	5
Power	1	0	0	0	1	0
Landrum (S 13)	1	1	0	0	1	0

Smiley pitched to 2 batters in the 8th.

PB-LaValliere. T-2:40. A-29,420.

Umpires-Home, DeMuth; 1b, Gregg; 2b, Crawford; 3b, Hallion.

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ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
McDowell lf	4	0	0	0	Coleman lf	5	0	3	0
Treadway 2b	4	0	1	0	Smith ss	3	0	0	0
Gant cf	4	1	3	0	McGee rf	4	1	1	0
Justice rf	4	0	1	0	Zeile 1b	4	0	2	0
Gregg 1b	4	1	2	1	Collins 1b	0	0	0	0
Mercker p	0	0	0	0	Pendleton 3b	4	0	0	0
Whitt c	2	0	0	0	Lankford cf	2	0	2	0
Parrett p	0	0	0	0	Pagnozzi c	3	0	0	1
Cabrera 1b	0	0	0	0	Oquendo 2b	4	0	0	0
Thomas ss	4	0	1	1	Tewksbury p	2	0	0	0
Lemke 3b	4	0	1	0	Thompsn ph	1	0	0	0
Castillo p	2	0	0	0	Dayley p	0	0	0	0
Olson c	2	0	0	0	Terry p	0	0	0	0
					Hudler ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	34	2	9	2	Totals	33	1	8	1

Atlanta	100 001 000- 2
St. Louis	000 001 000- 1

DP-St. Louis 1. LOB-Atlanta 7, St. Louis 9. 2B-Gregg 2, Lankford, Coleman.
SB-Gant (22), Coleman 2 (71), Lankford (2), Collins (6). SF-Pagnozzi.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Castillo (W 4-1)	5	5	1	1	1	4
Parrett	2 1-3	3	0	0	1	2
Mercker (S 3)	1 2-3	0	0	0	1	3
St. Louis						
Tewksbury (L 8-4)	7	8	2	2	1	2
Dayley	1	0	0	0	0	1
Terry	1	1	0	0	1	0

Castillo pitched to 1 batter in the 6th.

T-2:45. A-29,464.

Umpires-Home, Darling; 1b, Froemming; 2b, Pulli; 3b, Rippley.

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PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	4	1	1	0	Harris 2b	3	0	0	0
Daulton c	3	1	1	0	Samuel 2b	0	0	0	0
VHayes lf	3	0	0	0	Gibson cf	4	0	0	0
CMartinz 1b	0	0	0	0	Daniels lf	3	0	0	0
Murphy rf	4	0	3	2	Gott p	0	0	0	0
Kruk 1b	4	0	1	0	Murray 1b	3	1	0	0
Herr 2b	4	0	0	0	Brooks rf	3	1	0	0
CHayes 3b	4	0	0	0	Scioscia c	3	0	2	0
Booker ss	4	0	0	0	Sharpersn 3b	2	0	1	1
Boever p	0	0	0	0	Griffin ss	3	0	0	0
McDowell p	0	0	0	0	Javier ph	0	0	0	1
DeJesus p	2	0	0	0	Neidlinger p	2	0	1	0
Ready ph	1	0	0	0	Walsh p	0	0	0	0
Carman p	0	0	0	0	Hatcher ph	1	0	1	0
Thon ss	0	0	0	0	Gonzalez lf	0	1	0	0
Totals	33	2	6	2	Totals	27	3	5	2

Two out when winning run scored

Philadelphia	000 001 010-	2
Los Angeles	010 000 011-	3

E-McDowell. DP-Philadelphia 2. LOB -Philadelphia 6, Los Angeles 6. S-Samuel, Sharperson. SF-Javier.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
DeJesus	7	3	1	1	4	3
Carman	1	1	1	1	0	0
Boever (L 2-4)	1-3	1	1	0	1	0
McDowell	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles						
Neidlinger	7 2-3	6	2	2	2	8
Walsh	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Gott (W 2-2)	1	0	0	0	0	1

WP-Carman 2. T-2:50. A-27,934.

Umpires-Home, Wendelstedt; 1b, West; 2b, Barnes; 3b, Marsh.

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COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (AUG. 23) UPI - George Steinbrenner, banished from running the New York Yankees, was indefinitely stripped Wednesday night of his job as a vice president of the U.S. Olympic Committee.

The USOC's executive panel recommended that Steinbrenner ''should assume an inactive status with the USOC'' or face permanent expulsion from the committee. For Steinbrenner to be permanently ousted, a majority of the full 123-member USOC board must vote for his removal in October.

Steinbrenner was informed of the decision Wednesday night and took several hours to consider the recommendation before acquiescing.

''It is evident to me that the events of the past few weeks involving myself and Major League Baseball have caused an undue amount of focus on my activities within the U.S. Olympic Committee,'' Steinbrenner said in a statement. ''I think it's only right and in the best interests of the Olympic movement that we allow things to settle for a while so that the main focus can return to the governing bodies and the athletes where it belongs.

''I have informed president Bob Helmick that I wish to back away from everyday involvement for a while to allow any matters of concern to be clarified.''

Helmick would not say how long the suspension would last.

''There's no time period,'' he told reporters after issuing the USOC statement, noting that it was not a mutual agreement with Steinbrenner.

''This was the only proposal that was brought forth,'' he said.

Helmick also said that although there was not enough information to ask for a resignation, the situation would be reviewed from month to month.

The recommendation was made by the panel on the first day of the committee's regularly scheduled two-day meeting. Sixteen of the 23 members on the executive committee, including Steinbrenner, are allowed to vote.

Steinbrenner has been active in helping the USOC raise money, negotiate television contracts and strike business deals. However, his conduct as general partner of the Yankees has proved embarrassing to many within the USOC.

The USOC has a full agenda on its schedule, but settling Steinbrenner's fate clearly is a crucial item, and the organization would like to put the distracting issue aside as it gears for the 1992 Olympics.

Steinbrenner's status with the USOC became an issue during Baseball Commissioner Fay Vincent's investigation into his affairs concerning outfielder Dave Winfield.

In an effort to remain on the executive committee, Steinbrenner renegotiated his ban from baseball with Vincent during a July 30 meeting. The term ''suspension'' was not part of the agreement, and Steinbrenner - already suspended once from baseball in 1974 - felt that provision would enhance his standing with the USOC.

Steinbrenner, who ran the Yankees for 17 1/2 years, was removed from the team's day-to-day operations after Vincent ruled his involvement with gambler Howie Spira violated the best interests of baseball. Steinbrenner acknowledged paying $40,000 to Spira for damaging information on Winfield.

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#90235u0277 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO. (AUG. 23) UPI - Text of the statement released early Thursday by the U.S. Olympic Committee regarding the status of George Steinbrenner:

''The Executive committee of the USOC today discussed the current controversies surrounding George Steinbrenner and concluded that he should assume an inactive status with the USOC until these issues are sufficiently resolved.''

Text of George Steinbrenner's statement following the USOC announcement:

''It is evident to me that the events of the past few weeks involving myself and Major League Baseball have caused an undue amount of focus on my activities within the U.S. Olympic Committee. I think it's only right and in the best interests of the Olympic movement that we allow things to settle for a while so that the main focus can return to the governing bodies and the athletes where it belongs.

''I have informed president Bob Helmick that I wish to back away from everyday involvement for a while to allow any matters of concern to be clarified.''

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#90235u0294 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - Managers Roger Craig and Buck Rodgers surprised each other Wednesday afternoon, to the benefit of the San Francisco Giants.

With the score tied 1-1 in the ninth and San Francisco's Dave Anderson on third, Craig expected Montreal's Rodgers to order an intentional walk to Brett Butler.

But after Steve Frey hurled two strikes instead, Craig deviated from textbook baseball, signalling Butler to lay down a squeeze bunt. Butler delivered, scoring Anderson and giving San Francisco a 2-1 victory.

''There's cases where a lot of managers would walk the bases loaded to get the force at any base,'' Craig said. ''But when he got two strikes on him, I didn't think (the Expos) would pitch out and I've got one of the best bunters in baseball up there.''

Anderson had led off the ninth with a double off Frey and went to third on a sacrifice fly by Rick Parker. He scored when Frey, 5-2, failed to field Butler's bunt cleanly and was unable to make a play.

According to Butler, Frey threw him the easiest pitch to bunt - an inside fastball - never anticipating the result.

''Roger knows I like to bunt, so in that situation I wasn't really trying to get the head of the bat out because he was throwing me breaking balls and busting me inside with fastballs,'' Butler said. ''I think with two strikes, the element of surprise caught them off-guard and he threw me an inside fastball. Those are the easiest to bunt. I was just glad to get it down.''

Montreal took a 1-0 lead in the second when Andres Galarraga slammed a 2-2 pitch from Scott Garrelts for his 15th home run of the season. San Francisco tied the score in the seventh on Mike Kingery's RBI single.

Steve Bedrosian, 6-7, earned the victory, going two innings and giving up three hits.

--- AROUND THE NL ---

In other National League action Wednesday, New York pounded San Diego 4-1, Pittsburgh topped Houston 4-2, Cincinnati dropped Chicago 4-1, Atlanta edged St. Louis 2-1, and Los Angeles beat Philadelphia 3-2.

Mets 4, Padres 1

At San Diego, Frank Viola allowed five hits through eight innings and Darryl Strawberry delivered an RBI double to pace New York. Viola, 16-8, tied Pittsburgh's Doug Drabek for the NL lead in victories. Franco pitched

the ninth for his league-leading 29th save. Calvin Schiraldo, 3-6, took the loss.

Pirates 4, Astros 2

At Pittsburgh, Mike LaValliere drove home two runs and Barry Bonds went 2-for-4 and scored three times to lift Pittsburgh to its seventh victory in eight games. John Smiley, 7-6, earned the win and added a sixth-inning RBI single. Bill Landrum worked the ninth for his 13th save. Bill Gullickson, 8-11, was the loser.

Reds 4, Cubs 1

At Cincinnati, Jose Rijo pitched a five-hitter and Eric Davis hit his 16th home run to lead Cincinnati. Rijo, 9-6, struck out four and walked two in hurling his third complete game. Jeff Pico, 4-4, gave up three runs on five hits in 3 1-3 innings.

Braves 2, Cardinals 1

At St. Louis, Tommy Gregg stroked two doubles to help Atlanta snap Bob Tewksbury's scoreless-inning streak at 18 2-3 innings. Tony Castillo, 4-1, making his third start of the year, allowed five hits and one run in five-plus innings. Kent Mercker pitched the final 1 2-3 innings for his third save. Tewksbury, 8-4, had won his last three starts.

Dodgers 3, Phillies 2

At Los Angeles, pinch-hitter Stan Javier hit a sacrifice fly with the bases loaded in the ninth to lift Los Angeles. With the score tied 2-2, Hubie Brooks drew a one-out walk off reliever Joe Boever, 2-4. Mike Scioscia singled, sending Brooks to third. Roger McDowell relieved Boever and misplayed Mike Sharperson's sacrifice bunt for an error to load the bases. Reliever Jim Gott, 2-2, pitched a hitless ninth for the victory.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

Batting

(Minimum 310 at-bats)

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	373	88	121	.324
Palmeiro, Tex	457	56	145	.317
Brett, KC	427	67	134	.314
Trammell, Det	456	59	142	.311

Griffey, Sea	480	73	149	.310
Harper, Min	372	51	115	.309
Boggs, Bos	471	68	145	.308
JoReed, Bos	444	56	136	.306
EMartinez, Sea	397	56	121	.305
CJames, Cle	401	48	122	.304

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	446	89	153	.343
Magadan, NY	324	55	109	.336
McGee, StL	484	72	162	.335
Dawson, Chi	394	51	126	.320
Gwynn, SD	491	68	155	.316
Bonds, Pit	397	86	124	.312
Murray, LA	414	69	128	.309
Grace, Chi	447	52	138	.309
Jefferies, NY	460	78	140	.304
Sandberg, Chi	484	91	148	.306

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 39; Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 32; McGriff, Tor 28; Deer, Mil 24.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 29; Strawberry, NY and Bonilla, Pit 28; Mitchell, SF 27; Bonds, Pit and Williams, SF 24.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 102; Canseco 85; McGwire, Oak 84; Gruber, Tor 83; Sierra, Tex 78; Bell, Tor 77.

National League - Carter, SD 96; Williams, SF 93; Bonds, Pit 90; Bonilla, Pit 85; Strawberry, NY 80.

Doubles

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos 39; Puckett, Min 35; Boggs, Bos 34; Calderon, Chi, Brett, KC and Harper, Min 33.

National League - Jefferies, NY 34; Wallach, Mtl and Dykstra, Phi 32; Johnson, NY 31; Bonilla, Pit and McGee StL 30.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 16; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos, Johnson, Chi and Pettis, Tex 7.

National League - Duncan, Cin 9; Smith, Atl and Coleman, StL 8; Thompson, StL and Gwynn, SD 7.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 50; Sax, NY 30; Calderon, Chi and Kelly NY 29; Pettis, Tex 28.

National League - Coleman, Stl 71; Yelding, Hou 48; Bonds, Pit 43; Nixon, Mtl 39; Raines, Mtl and Butler, SF 36.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 88; Fielder, Det 80; Yount, Mil 78; McGriff, Tor 77; Seitzer, KC 74; Puckett, Min, Franco, Tex and Griffey, Sea 73.

National League - Bonilla, Pit 95; Sandberg, Chi 91; Dykstra, Phi 89; Bonds, Pit 86; Sabo, Cin 83.

Hits

American League - Griffey, Sea 149; Palmeiro, Tex 145; Boggs, Bos 145; Trammell, Det and Kelly, NY 142.

National League - McGee, StL 162; Gwynn, SD 155; Dykstra, Phi 153; Sandberg, Chi 148; Alomar, SD 147.

Pitching

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 21; Clemens, Bos 18; Stewart, Oak 17; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 16.

National League - Drabek, Pit and Viola, NY 16;; Martinez, LA 15; Gooden, NY 13; Harkey, Chi and Armstrong and Browning, Cin 12.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 100 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 2.04; Finley, Cal 2.47; Stewart, Oak 2.57; Steib, Tor 2.99; Hibbard, Chi 2.99.

National League - Whitson, SD 2.41; Tudor, Stl 2.45; Viola, NY 2.71; Drabek, Pit 2.82; De.Martinez, Mtl 2.85.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 183; Ryan, Tex 170; Witt, Tex 165; Hanson, Sea 155; Johnson, Sea 152.

National League - Martinez, LA 183; Cone, NY 165; Gooden, NY 155; DeLeon, StL, 137; De.Martinez, Mtl 136.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi 41; Eckersley, Oak 38; Jones, Cle 34; Schooler, Sea 30; Olson, Bal 29.

National League - Franco, NY 29; Myers, Cin 24; L.Smith, StL 21; Smith, Hou and Lefferts, SD 20.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 8; Morris, Det, Young, Sea and Brown, Tex 6; Clemens, Bos, Finley, Cal, Saberhagen and Gordon, KC and Leary, NY 5.

National League - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA, De.Martinez, Mtl and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl, Maddux, Chi, Belcher, LA, Drabek, Pit and Hurst and Whitson, SD 5.

Shutouts

American League - Clemens, Bos and Stewart, Oak 3; Eleven pitchers tied with 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3; Thirteen players tied with 2.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - South African President de Klerk is appealing for African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela and Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi to meet and put an end to 10 days of fighting that's claimed more than 500 lives. The A-N-C consistently has rejected Buthelezi's demands to meet Mandela.

East Germany's Parliament has agreed conditionally that Germany will unite October 3rd... slightly more than 45 years after its partition at the end of World War Two. Deputies gave a thunderous ovation as it was announced early this morning that the motion had received the required two-thirds majority.

Good news for NASA. Engineers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena California, have re-established contact with the Magellan probe orbiting Venus. Engineers lost touch with Magellan for the second time Tuesday night. The probe is on a radar-mapping mission of the cloud-covered planet.

Native peoples from across the Arctic Circle are meeting in Alaska to defend their hunting lifestyle against animal rights and environmental groups. For the first time, natives from Siberia and the Soviet Far East joined the meeting of Eskimos and Indians from Alaska, Canada and Greenland.

Have you ever heard of Bremerton, Washington? Probably NOT... and the people who live there probably want to keep it that way. But it's too late. According to Money Magazine, Bremerton is the ''best place to live'' in the United States. The city reportedly is blessed with a low crime rate and environmental savvy.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - Rain doused portions of the East early Thursday, raising the threat of flooding, and severe weather rumbled through Georgia.

Saturated conditions in the northern panhandle of West Virginia and western Pennsylvania forced meterologists to call flash flood watches for a second day running. Thunderstorms and showers were also reported in eastern Pennsylvania, as well as in Maryland, Virginia, Washington, D.C., and southern New Jersey.

Clouds and muggy conditions triggered by a slow-moving cold front kept temperatures in the low 90s across the Southeast Wednesday as strong thunderstorms raked the region for a second consecutive night.

Heavy thunderstorms pelted north Georgia with dangerous lightning Wednesday night, sparking several fires in homes and business and prompting flash flood warnings. No injuries were reported.

Forecasters offered a similar prediciton for Thursday with slightly cooler temperatures as the rain moves out of the Carolinas, Georgia and Florida.

At 3 a.m. Thursday, temperatures across the Southeast ranged from a low of 71 degrees in Knoxville, Tenn., to a high of 83 degrees in Tampa, Fla. Elsewhere, Atlanta reported 72 degrees, Chattanooga, Tenn., 74 degrees and Miami 79 degrees.

Thunderstorms over western Nebraska spawned a tornado west of Alliance Wednesday afternoon. Afternoon thunderstorms over eastern Colorado spawned

tornadoes near Burlington.

Thunderstorms over western South Dakota pelted Rapid City with dime-size hail.

Tampa, Fla., had a record high 98 degrees Wednesday.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - The fourth intensive manhunt for the Zodiac killer failed early Thursday to nab the elusive killer, and police warned they may dismantle the 50-member task force in the case.

A spokeswoman for police, Sgt. Tina Mohrmann, said despite several incidents late Wednesday and early Thursday, ''nothing appeared related'' to the gunman.

Task force detectives fanned out in the city to find the killer during the predawn hours - the fourth such effort to crack the case over the summer.

Detectives have turned up no new clues in the search for the mysterious killer, who targets his victims by their astrological signs.

The gunman has shot four men since March 8, killing one, in attacks staged in 21-day intervals. He has sent cryptic letters to the police and media vowing to kill one person for each of the 12 signs of the Zodiac.

Thursday marks the 63d day since his last attack, June 21, and police beefed up patrols in anticipation of a repeat.

''Everyone feels that tomorrow night is a key night,'' Chief of Detectives Joseph Borelli, who oversees the task force, said on Wednesday.

If the gunman does not strike, Borrelli said there was a ''very good likelihood'' the 50-member task force would be dismantled.

''There will be an evaluation depending on what happens this week,'' the chief said, adding that it was not yet determined how many detectives would be taken off the case if the gunman fails to strike.

The Zodiac task force has interviewed some 2,000 people about the case as well as closely monitored and ruled out about a dozen suspects.

Borrelli said he believed stepped-up police efforts, notably the three other dragnets staged since the killer's last attack, had helped keep the gunman at bay.

''I would imagine he's not a fool,'' the chief said. ''I guess he doesn't want to get caught.''

The Zodiac task force was formed June 19, a day after the New York Post turned over to police a letter from the gunman that linked him to the first three shootings.

In his last attack, the gunman shot and wounded a homeless man sleeping on a bench in Central Park. All three earlier attacks were in an eight-block area along the Brooklyn-Queens border, including one on a 78-year-old man who later died of an infection stemming from the wound.

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#90235u0401 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 23) UPI - The East German Parliament Thursday set the date of German unification at Oct. 3. The major West German political parties welcomed the decision, which will formally end 45 years of division.

Although the date has no special significance for Germans, the month of October marks the first anniversary of the pro-democracy demonstrations that brought down East Germany's Stalinist leadership, paving the way to German unification.

The decision, passed by an overwhelming majority of deputies, is subject to the conclusion of negotiations on the external and internal aspects of unification and the establishment of five federal states in East Germany.

Once the conditions are met, the decision will be binding as the West German constitution provides for the accession of former German states to the Federal Republic of Germany - now still West Germany.

''The decision is a historic event for Germany. We Germans in East and West can rejoice that the more than 40-year-old division of Germany will finally end on Oct. 3,'' said Volker Ruehe, secretary general of West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union.

Kohl was due to make a special parliamentary address later in the day. The West German leader will automatically become the first chancellor of a reunited Germany on Oct. 3, as all-German elections will not be held before Dec. 2.

The West German opposition Social Democratic Party also welcomed the agreement, reached after weeks of disputes over the timetable of unification.

''This finally ends the unbeareable to-and fro,'' said SPD leader

Hans-Jochen Vogel.

East German deputies gave a thunderous ovation as parliamentary president Sabine Bergmann-Pohl announced shortly after 2.45 a.m. Thursday that the decision had been passed by 294 votes, well over the required two-thirds majority of the 400-strong Volkskammer, the East German Parliament.

After the marathon parliamentary session, a beaming East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere said he was overjoyed and that Oct. 3 was now ''a major date'' people should enter in their diaries.

Most of the 62 deputies who voted against the motion are members of the Party of Democratic Socialism, the renamed Communist Party.

PDS leader Gregor Gysi complained that ''the Parliament has just voted the downfall of the German Democratic Republic'' - a statement that was received with loud cheers and laughter from deputies.

East Germany was founded Oct. 7, 1949, four years after Germany capitulated and was divided into four zones by the victorious World War II allies - Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States.

The foreign ministers of the two Germanys and of the four powers are due to meet in Moscow, Sept. 12, for what is expected to be the final session in negotiations on the external aspects of unification.

The results of the talks are due to be presented to the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, which meets in New York, Oct. 1-2.

The East and West German governments are currently discussing the legal, financial and technical aspects of unification. The conclusion of the talks is another condition included in the East German declaration.

Eleven days after unification, East Germans will go to the polls to elect regional governments in five new states that will be set up to comply with federal structures.

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#90235u0452 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

AGANA, GUAM (AUG. 23) UPI - A federal judge ruled unconstitutional Thursday the United States' most restrictive abortion law, which made the procedure illegal under almost all circumstances.

Federal Judge Alex Munson ordered a permanent injunction against the law and also declared void a scheduled referendum on the issue in the primarily Catholic island in the South Pacific.

Guam's abortion law made it illegal for women to seek an abortion or for anyone to perform one, except in rare cases when the pregnancy threatened the life of the mother. The law did not permit abortions in the case of rape or incest and even made it a crime for someone to advise a woman about an abortion.

While some states have placed some limits on the availability of abortion, no U.S. jurisdiction has restricted access to abortion to the extent of Guam's law.

However, the law was never enforced because Attorney General Elizabeth Barrett Anderson said when it was passed in March that she would wait until she received a court ruling on its legality.

Guam, a self-governing U.S. territory in the South Pacific of about 150,000 inhabitants, is predominantly Catholic. The religion forbids abortion under almost any circumstance.

Gov. Joseph Ada signed the bill into law March 19, saying he believed life begins at conception, but it was challenged in federal district court within days.

Ada said he felt the bill was legal because it included an amendment that called for a referendum to let the people decide the issue. However, Munson's ruling also found the amendment to be null and void.

Munson said in a preliminary hearing March 26, that the government would ''have a difficult time mustering constitutionality. It will be the easiest case I have decided in eight years, because provisions (of the new law) are obviously unconstitutional.''

Ada, who could not be reached for comment, has 30 days to appeal Munson's decision.

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#90235u0526 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (AUG. 23) UPI - Iraq has been attempting to pry Japan from the U.S.-led, multinational opposition to Iraq, but officials say the Asian nation will not abandon its allies in the gulf.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu reiterated Thursday that he wants his nation to make a positive contribution to the multinational force confronting Iraq.

Kaifu hinted that he intends to send personnel, saying Japanese help will involve ''sweat.''

Iraq, which has offered to release Japanese citizens held in Iraq and Kuwait, has played on Japan's inclination to avoid conflict and its historical willingness to negotiate the release of Japanese hostages.

Iraq freed 21 Japanese Wednesday, most of them diplomatic dependents, a Foreign Ministry official said. Iraq reportedly followed up by offering to release more if Japan would drop out of the U.N.-mandated embargo,

But on the same day, Iraq forcibly relocated 79 Japanese from Kuwait to Iraq, Japan's Mainichi newspaper reported. Altogether, about 470 Japanese remain under Iraqi control.

The Foreign Ministry declined comment on the Mainichi report. But if true, it apparently makes good on a threat by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz earlier this week to treat Japanese the same as Western hostages who are being used by Iraq as a ''human shield'' against possible attack.

Meanwhile, Iraq has barraged the Japanese media with messages apparently designed to shake Japan's resolve to hang tough with the West.

''How we treat the Japanese people in Iraq depends on the Japanese government's attitude,'' Iraq's ambassador to Tokyo, Rashid Al-Rifai said in an interview published Thursday in the mass-circulation daily Asahi Shimbun.

Earlier in the week, Iraq sent a message to Japan's Kyodo News Service comparing its roundup of foreigners to the internment of Japanese-Americans in the United States during World War II.

However, Japan will not be deterred from its course, a Foreign Ministry official said on condition of anonymity.

''Over the last 30 or 40 years, the Japanese government has had a proclivity to place first priority on the safety of Japanese lives abroad '' said Takashi Inoguchi, a political scientist at the University of Tokyo. ''But this time is very different.''

Inoguchi recalled that in the past, Japan sometimes swapped jailed terrorists for hostages taken by Japanese leftist radicals.

But he said the government realizes it cannot act selfishly in the Middle East crisis.

''If Japan does not help in the joint action against the aggressor, ... it will be dangerously isolated in the world,'' Inoguchi said.

Although the government is not yet united on what help to offer in the Middle East, the idea of sending medical and technical personnel gained

steam Thursday as the leaders of two moderate opposition parties spoke publicly in favor of it.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - Jordan's King Hussein says he'll leave for Baghdad within the ''next 24 hours'' in an effort to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis and in his words- ''avert the kind of explosion that could easily occur.'' State-run Baghdad radio says President Saddam Hussein will deliver a speech to the Iraqi people today and respond to pleas for peace from Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak .

The instability in the Middle East continues to affect world markets. Tokyo blue-chip stocks fell nearly six percent today to close at their fourth-lowest level. Analysts say rising oil prices depress the stock market because they signal higher interest rates. One analyst says people are wondering if war will break out during the weekend and they doN'T want their money in the stock market if it does.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency is quoting ''an informed source'' as saying a European hostage will be freed today by his captors in Lebanon, probably ''within the next few hours.'' The UNconfirmed report says Irishman Brian Keenan is likely to be the captive released. He is an English professor at the American University of Beirut and was abducted on April 11, 1986.

After more than 45 years of separation, East and West Germany are prepared to re-unite October 3rd. East Germany's Parliament conditionally agreed today that the two Germanys will become one after the creation of five new federal states in East Germany. Deputies greeted today's parliamentary decision with thunderous applause.

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#90235u0584 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 23) UPI - Officials said Thursday the spate of bombings in Manila could be a ''prelude to something more serious'' in the plan by military rebels to grab power and could include the assassination of President Corazon Aquino and other officials.

Stepping up their terror campaign, suspected military dissidents bombed before dawn Thursday a buying station of the RFM food company in Calamba town just outside Manila, damaging a livestock weighing scale and a delivery truck but causing no injuries.

The bombing of the company owned by Trade Secretary Jose Concepcion, who has been accused of corruption, was the fourth in 24 hours.

Earlier blasts damaged a China Airlines office, a McDonalds and the government Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office in Manila and a plastics factory in suburban Valenzuela.

The political uncertainty and the imminent oil price increase prompted by the Persian Gulf crisis sent the composite price index on the Manila Stock Exchange to its lowest level this year, analysts said.

The index of 25 selected stocks on the Manila exchange tumbled to 683.58, down 48.49 or 6.62 percent from Wednesday.

''The spate of bombings, which is obviously designed to keep the public in a state of tension and the military off balance, could be a prelude to something more serious,'' Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos told his regular news conference.

He said assassinations could be the next step. ''But the objective is very much the same: to grab power,'' he said.

Retired Gen. Mariano Adalem, former army chief and a presidential adviser, said the rebel targets included Aquino, 57, who has crushed six coups since taking power in a civilian-backed military revolt in February 1986.

Ramos said the rebels were shifting tactics by creating a ''much longer period of anxiety'' to hurt the economy. He said the rebels are funding their activities by extorting money from companies under threat of bombings.

Officials Wednesday night launched ''operation night watch'' to combat the rebel threat to oust Aquino under a plan called ''August moon.'' The 159,000-member military has been on alert since Friday.

At least 11 bombings have rocked the capital area since renegade army Col. Gregorio Honasan, the leader of the military dissidents, announced Aug. 15 a resumption of hostilities against Aquino. No one was hurt in the incidents except for an RFM guard. Earlier targets included the RFM main office in the capital.

Honasan led the Dec. 1-9 rebellion in which 119 people were killed and more than 500 wounded.

The 41-year-old Honasan said he resumed his campaign to oust Aquino after his proposal for a cease-fire in the face of the devastating July 16 earthquake and the Persian Gulf crisis was ignored.

Ramos dismissed reports in Manila newspapers that Aquino, despite her public denials, is poised to declare martial law to deal with the latest

threat to her government.

He said martial law or the proclamation of a state of emergency was never discussed in Wednesday's 7 1/2 hour cabinet meeting.

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#90235u0585 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UI - There's a fire in the cellar.

The Blue Jays, battling Boston for first place in the AL East, dropped their third straight game Wednesday night to the New York Yankees - the division's hottest team.

Roberto Kelly hit a two-run homer to snap a fifth-inning tie and Andy Hawkins worked 8 1-3 innings to lift the Yankees to their sixth straight victory with a 4-2 triumph.

The win allowed the Yankees to sweep the three-game series against the Blue Jays, their first against Toronto at home since 1984. The Yankees, 3-0 in the post-George Steinbrenner era, now are 22-20 since the All-Star break and have a 12-4 record against the AL East.

''Nobody likes to finish last,'' said Hawkins, 4-0, who allowed seven Toronto hits. ''We've been last since the get-go. It'll be nice if maybe we could catch somebody.''

Yankee Manager Stump Merrill had high praise for Hawkins.

''Give Hawkins credit. He struggled with his control the whole game but battled back and made the pitches when he had to,'' Merrill said. ''He did a helluva job.

''The thing that pleased me most was that we gave up two runs to tie but answered right back. Kelly's on fire right now.''

The Yankees looked more like a pennant-contending team than the Blue Jays, who made both physical and mental errors during the series.

New York, which won three in a row from Seattle last weekend, has swept consecutive series at home for the first time since September 1988.

Toronto starter John Cerutti, 8-9, gave up four runs and six hits in 4 2-3 innings. The Blue Jays open a four-game series with first-place Boston at home this week.

--- AROUND THE AL ---

Elsewhere Wednesday night in the American League, Boston routed Baltimore 13-2, Detroit defeated California 7-4, Clevelend beat Milwaukee 4-2, Oakland trounced Chicago 7-1, Kansas City dropped Minnesota 6-2 and Texas edged Seattle 5-4.

Red Sox 13, Orioles 2

At Boston, Ellis Burks and Mike Greenwell hit two-run homers and Luis Rivera added a three-run shot to power Boston. Mike Boddicker, 12-9, pitched 7 2-3 innings to post his first win since July 2. Ben McDonald, 5-2, suffered his second straight loss after beginning his career with six wins in a row.

Tigers 7, Angels 4

At Detroit, Alan Trammell's bases-loaded infield single broke a 4-4 tie in the sixth and Cecil Fielder followed with a sacrifice fly to spark Detroit. Fielder became the first player in the majors to record 100 RBI this season. Detroit's Jack Morris improved to 11-15. Chuck Finley, 16-6, took the loss.

Indians 4, Brewers 2

At Milwaukee, Tom Brookens hit his first home run to break a 2-2 tie in the eighth, lifting Cleveland to victory. Brookens, who had not played since Aug. 10 because of a strained groin, homered with two out off Teddy Higuera, 7-6. Tom Candiotti, 13-8, pitched seven innings for the win, and Doug Jones recorded his 34th save.

Royals 6, Twins 2

At Kansas City, Mo., Mike Macfarlane drove in two runs with a home run and a single and Tom Gordon pitched a seven-hitter to lead Kansas City. Gordon 9-9, pitched out of numerous jams for his third win in his last four starts. Scott Erickson, 3-4, allowed seven hits and five runs over 2 1-3 innings.

Rangers 5, Mariners 4

At Arlington, Texas, Nolan Ryan won his 301st game in helping the Rangers to victory. Ryan, 12-6, won in the fourth start since he recorded his 300th victory July 31 in Milwaukee. Brad Arnsberg worked the ninth for his fourth save. Bill Swift, 5-4, gave up all of the Rangers' runs over 4 2-3 innings.

Athletics 7, White Sox 1

At Chicago, Bob Welch became the major league's first 21-game winner,

combining with two relievers to help Oakland end a three-game losing streak. Welch, 21-4, never had won more than 17 games in his 12 major-league seasons. Melido Perez, 11-11, took his third loss in his last four starts.

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#90235u0596 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - New orders for durable goods showed surprising strength in July, jumping by 2.9 percent on strong demand for aircraft and other big ticket items, the Commerce Department said Thursday.

Private analysts expected a gain of only 0.3 percent in orders for expensive goods made to last three or more years, following a drop of 3.2 percent in June and an advance of 4.1 percent in May.

The July increase, to just over $128.3 billion, was attributed to a surge in orders for new aircraft and parts as the world's airlines scramble to rebuild their aging fleets. There were also increased orders for turbines, computers and metals, but orders for new cars, vans and trucks declined.

Not counting transportation items, July durable goods orders were up by 2.2 percent, a government spokesman said. Not counting defense hardware, July orders were ahead by 3.4 percent, the spokesman said. Despite the weakening economy, the Commerce Department said durable goods orders were up across-the-board last month:

-Transportation equipment increased five percent;
-Non-electrical machinery gained 2.7 percent;
-Primary metals increased 1.5 percent;
-Electrical machinery gained 1.9 percent.

Capital goods industries, which make equipment for factories and businesses, reported an 8.3 percent jump in orders in July on a 10.7 percent leap in non-defense goods offset by a 3.1 percent slide in defense goods.

The department's Census Bureau also reported that durable goods shipments slipped by two percent in July after increasing by 0.6 percent in June and advancing by 3.7 percent in May.

Unfilled orders for durable goods, meanwhile, were up by 0.7 percent in July after dipping by 0.5 percent in June and edging up by 0.4 percent in May, the government report said.

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#90235u0598 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange plummeted Thursday as investor worries linked to the economic impact of the Middle East crisis sent the key Nikkei Average plunging nearly 6 percent.

The closely-watched Nikkei Average of 225 selected blue-chip issues plunged 1,4723.28 points or 5.8 percent to 23,737.63 - its lowest close since Feb. 5, 1988.

The fall was the fourth-biggest on record and followed a 1,086.93-point loss Wednesday.

The narrower Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major issues fell 110.58 points to 1,829.25, following a loss of 69.52 points Wednesday.

Volume amounted to an estimated 450 million shares, compared with 398 million shares Wednesday.

Declines towered over advances 927 to only 14, while only 18 issues managed to escape the selloff.

Analysts said prices tumbled amid rising oil prices and climbing interest rates, coupled with fears of war in the oil-rich Persian Gulf.

But brokers said trading was not heavy enough to indicate the end of selling and feared further declines. Investors trading Thursday were largely engaged in panic selling, observers said.

''A lot of people are wondering if World War III will start over the weekend, and they don't want their money in the stock market if it does,'' said Christopher Schreiber, an analyst with the New Japan Securities Co.

With its slump, the market has lost 40.4 percent of value since its peak last December, Schreiber added.

Ironically, that is good news to technical analysts, he said, because it puts the market near its previous big crashes and suggests the bottom is near.

For example, Schreiber said, the market crash that followed the first oil crisis of 1973 brought the Nikkei down 37.4 percent before it rebounded.

But other analysts suggested that technical analysis was of little use in a market fearful of way.

''People are dumping their shares wildly,'' said one local broker, who pointed out that a major economic newspaper was now predicting the Nikkei would drop to 19,000 if interest rates jump much higher.

Short-term interest rates leaped again, despite reported attempts by the central Bank of Japan to stem them. The overnight call rate rose 0.03 percentage points to 7.56.

Rising interest rates have been sapping the market's strength by providing safe and lucrative alternative investment opportunities.

Selling pounded all sectors and most stocks, with globally oriented high-growth stocks such as Hitachi and Toyota suffering less than most, analysts noted.

Elsewhere in Asia, continued tension in the Middle East sent other Asian stock markets into a tailspin.

Prices closed sharply lower on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, but an afternoon rally trimmed earlier heavy losses.

The Hang Seng Index fell 83.52 points - or 2.83 percent - to 2,871.41. The drop followed a loss of 85.07 points Wednesday.

Among the narrower indexes, financials lost 42.45 points, utilities plunged 112.14, industrials shed 73.95 and properties dropped 150.89 points.

''It is still a time of great uncertainty and many people don't want to have much money in the market,'' said David Lavington, an analyst with Morgan Grenfell. ''But not that many institutional buyers are selling and that is a positive sign.''

Volume was light as an estimated 1.34 billion shares chnaged hands, compared with 1.07 billion shares Wednesday.

The Hang Seng Index has tumbled more than 17 percent since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

Stocks dropped 43 points in the first 15 minutes of trading. The morning session ended down 109.16 points. The trend continued into the afternoon session with stocks losing nearly 20 points.

Issues staged a strong rally in late trading on solid buying from institutional investors looking for bargains, analysts said.

Stock prices plunged in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange over the tense situation in the Persian Gulf.

The Straits Times Industrial Index fell 54.13 points to 1,127.89 - its lowest close in 18 months. The narrower All Singapore Index dropped 14.75 points to 321.66.

An estimated 101 million shares changed hands. Prices recovered slightly on bargain hunting late in the session.

With stocks across the board taking a battering and margin calls increasing, analysts said the wave of sales by fund managers and other institutional investors could continue.

''Apart from the occasional technical rebound, stocks will continue to decline in the immediate future as the situation in the Gulf begins to develop into a real economic crisis,'' one local broker said.

Analysts said there were signs of panic as margin calls increased and creditors sold on behalf of investors who failed to meet the calls on their trading accounts.

On the trading floor, Goodwood Park led the declining issues followed by Great Eastern Life and Singapore Airlines.

Jurong Shipyard paced the advancing issues followed by Far East Shipping and National Steel Ltd.

In Australia, stocks slumped on the Sydney Sharemarket following the big fall in Tokyo.

The All Ordinaries Index fell 37.2 points, or 2.4 percent, to 1,493.3. The All Industrials index lost 61.8 points to 2,195.6 and the All Resources Index fell 22.3 points to 939.0.

Turnover amounted to 123.6 million shares.

Big losses, backgrounded by sharp rises in the dollar and interest rates, occurred across the boards.

Analysts said Wall Street's 44-point drop and near-panic selling in Tokyo sent prices lower from the opening bell.

On the trading floor, all sectors lost ground with few and scattered gainers.

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#90235u0600 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 23) UPI - Stock prices were sharply lower in moderate trading at midday Thursday on the London International Stock Exchange.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which slipped 3.3 points Wednesday, was down 31.0 points to 2,073.8 - its lowest level of the year.

The narrower top 30 industrial average was down 21.2 points to 1,601.3.

Volume amounted to around 288 million shares compared with 198 million shares traded during the same period Wednesday.

Analysts said prices fell following a flurry of selling in the September Financial Times 100 Stock Index futures contract, when the contract fell to a discount to the cash market.

Fair value for the contract is considered to be about 15 points higher than the equity market, analysts said.

Market watchers added that institutional investors have been willing buyers in the market, helping stocks to recover from their opening lows.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Imperial Chemical Industries fell 27 cents to $15.94, Barclays Bank eased 9 cents to $6.08 and British Petroleum slipped 5 cents to $6.50.

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#90235u0613 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - Jordan's King Hussein is heading to Yemen on the first leg of a shuttle diplomacy drive to avert war in the Persian Gulf. Hussein will visit Iraq today or tomorrow in a last-ditch effort to mediate a solution.

The Persian Gulf situation is taking its toll on U-S businesses. Analysts say major airlines are facing a bleak outlook for the second half of 1990 because of rising fuel costs and a sputtering economy.

In Houston, the Rice Council says rice farmers nationwide stand to suffer as commodity prices drop and production costs soar because of the gulf crisis and the U-N trade embargo against Iraq. Baghdad was a long-standing rice customer.

The oil industry says it will increase production in Alaska in response to the Persian Gulf crisis and requests by the Bush administration. Alaska is the largest oil-producing state... responsible for one-fourth of domestic oil.

Eyes are on Lebanon after reports that a European hostage would be freed today. Iran's Islamic Republic News Agency reported that a hostage... most likely Irishman Brian Keenan... will be free ''within the next few hours.''

In New York City, detectives hit the streets early in another effort to track the elusive Zodiac killer. Today marks the 63d day since the killer's last shooting. Police say there apparently was NO attack this

morning.

The latest round of peace talks between leftist rebels and the government of El Salvador have broken off with NO agreements and NO cease-fire. The only thing envoys agreed upon was to meet again next month in Costa Rica.

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#90235u0624 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - South African President F-W de Klerk is pressing rival black factions to end 10 days of violence that's claimed more than 500 lives. De Klerk says leaders of the African National Congress and a rival Zulu faction will meet soon.

Philippine Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos says political assassinations may be the next step taken by rebel soldiers to gain power. Officials say the recent spate of terror bombings in Manila could be part of a plot to overthrow President Aquino.

Reports from Tokyo say NO injuries were reported as three earthquakes jolted central Japan this morning. Officials say the quakes... each registering at least five on the Richter scale... disrupted rail traffic for commuters.

NASA officials say they're optimistic the Magellan Venus probe will work despite two communications failures. Engineers lost radio contact Tuesday night for the second time in one week before re-establishing contact.

A NASA official in Washington says officials may have pinpointed the cause of a hydrogen leak that grounded the space shuttle Columbia in May. He says tiny glass beads somehow got into the fuel line.

The U-S Olympic Committee executive panel has suspended George Steinbrenner from his post as vice president. Steinbrenner... who was banished from running the New York Yankees as general partner... accepted the decision graciously.

China's national ballet is preparing to stage an original production of ''Romeo and Juliet'' with an American choreographer and musical adviser. The ballet is one of the few cooperative U-S-China cultural endeavors this year.

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#90235u0633 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - Weather around the U.S.A.

City	&	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	pc		79	54	.06

Anchorage r	65	53	.10
Asheville sh	81	66	.62
Atlanta pc	90	70	.59
Baltimore sh	69	66	.37
Billings pc	85	63	....
Birmingham pc	97	70	....
Bismarck pc	92	61	.08
Boston cy	70	58	.34
Brownsville pc	95	77	.01
Buffalo cy	75	63	.01
Burlington Vt. pc	81	57	....
Charleston S.C.ts	85	77	....
Charlotte ts	83	70	.10
Chicago pc	72	64	....
Cincinnati cy	74	67	....
Cleveland cy	71	65	....
Columbus Ohio cy	73	67	....
Dallas pc	99	74	....
Denver pc	82	54	.02
Des Moines pc	75	66	....
Detroit cy	71	67	....
Duluth cy	77	53	....
El Paso pc	85	60	.03
Evansville pc	77	71	....
Fargo cy	85	69	.04
Hartford cy	81	64	....
Honolulu sy	89	77	....
Houston pc	98	76	....
Indianapolis cy	78	67	....
Jackson Miss. sy	101	70	.01
Jacksonville ts	91	75	.73
Kansas City sy	84	69	....
Las Vegas sy	97	70	....
Little Rock hot	93	72	....
Los Angeles pc	82	65	....
Louisville cy	84	71	.17
Memphis sy	90	72	....
Miami Beach pc	89	81	....
Milwaukee pc	71	64	....
Minneapolis sh	80	66	....
Nashville pc	83	73	....
New Orleans pc	94	73	.06
New York cy	78	65	.01
Oklahoma City pc	97	74	....
Omaha pc	83	69	....
Orlando ts	95	74	.28
Philadelphia r	72	65	.10
Phoenix sy	104	78	....

Pittsburgh sh	70	63	.11
Portland Me. pc	72	53	....
Portland Ore. pc	73	50	.03
Providence cy	77	60	.04
Richmond sh	76	71	....
St. Louis cy	77	72	....
Salt Lake City f	83	53	....
San Antonio pc	96	77	....
San Diego pc	76	67	....
San Francisco pc	82	59	....
San Juan pc	89	76	.16
Seattle pc	73	52	....
Spokane pc	72	51	....
Tampa pc	92	81	....
Washington sh	71	67	.62
Wichita sy	98	74	....

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

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#90235u0664 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - CBS News President David W. Burke is leaving the job after two years, reports said Thursday.

The New York Times said Burke, a former ABC executive, had been dismissed because of running battles over network budget cuts but The Washington Post cited sources that said he was resigning.

Network sources said Burke would be replaced by Eric Ober, the president of the five television stations owned and operated by CBS.

Burke declined to comment on the reports. He told The New York Times Wednesday he would discuss the situation at a news conference later Thursday.

The Times also quoted CBS sources as saying senior network executives were unhappy about the expense of covering the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the loss of Connie Chung's news magazine as a regularly scheduled program.

Before coming to CBS, Burke was an executive vice president of ABC News after serving as an aide to Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., and to former New York Gov. Hugh L. Carey.

He was named president of CBS News in July 1988. He was the first president not to have come up through the ranks at CBS News.

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#90235u0673 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
DETROIT (AUG. 23) UPI - Black employees at the Detroit Zoo have filed a written complaint with their union accusing the zoo director of referring to them as ''monkeys.''

According to the complaint, the incident occurred Monday when director Steve Graham, who is white, recruited seven service attendants to help maintenance foreman Frank McArdle with a job.

''I was closest and I heard Mr. Graham say, 'I've got some monkeys for you ''' said Terence Hill, 23, the only worker who said he actually heard Graham.

''He saw me look up. He saw Frank's face turn red. Then he changed 'monkeys' to 'laborers,''' Hill said Wednesday in an interview with the Detroit News. ''The man knew he was wrong.''

Later Monday, after the zoo workers walked off their jobs in protest, Graham called them, their supervisor and union representatives into his

office, where he apologized, according to the employees' written statement.

''When we came in, he said he didn't mean it,'' worker John Mathis, 18, said Wednesday. ''He said he calls all laborers 'monkeys,' even white laborers. He told us when he says 'monkeys,' he doesn't mean it racially. He stumbled over his words a few times.''

The workers - all of whom are black - said the apology did not salve their feelings.

''He said he would get down on his knees and apologize if it would help,'' Hill said. ''But that wouldn't change anything. A person in Mr. Graham's position shouldn't have made a statement like that. He is supposed to set an example.''

Graham could not be reached for comment.

In their complaint, the workers said that shortly after the incident with Graham, maintenance supervisor McArdle, who is white, held up a poster of a chimpanzee and asked, ''Is this anybody you recognize?''

''I couldn't believe it,'' said Mathis, who will be a freshman at Michigan State University this fall. ''I was angry. I was shocked that that kind of statement would be made and then be made into a joke by another person.''

McArdle said Wednesday he could not comment without jeopardizing his job and ''without authorization from Mr. Graham.''

Bill Harper, president of Local 542 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, which represents the zoo workers, said the union planned to file a formal grievance against Graham on Thursday.

Teresa Blossom, a spokeswoman for Grahams' boss, Detroit Mayor Coleman A. Young, said the mayor's office is ''looking into the situation to find out exactly what happened.''

A large majority of the roughly 30 seasonal public service workers at the zoo are black, according to employees.

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#90235u0677 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for August 23: Purchases of 417,707 shares and sales of 608,424 shares including 30,311 shares sold short.

#90235u0698 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - New orders for durable goods showed surprising strength in July, jumping 2.9 percent on strong demand for aircraft and other big ticket items, but shipments were weak, the Commerce Department said Thursday.

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The July increase, to just over $128.3 billion, was attributed to a surge in orders for new aircraft and parts as the world's airlines scramble to rebuild their aging fleets. There were also increased orders for turbines, computers, and metals, but orders for new cars, vans, and trucks declined.

"On the face of it it's reasonably positive," said Cynthia Latta, an economist at DRI/McGraw Hill in Lexington, Mass. "There were more aircraft in there than most people expected."

But she also noted it takes several years to build a new airplane, because of the size of the craft and a massive backlog of orders for commercial jetliners.

"Because (the report) was bloated by aircraft it doesn't tell you about production in the next 3-4 months," Latta said. "It tells you about production four or five years down the road."

The department's Census Bureau also reported that durable goods shipments slipped two percent in July after increasing 0.6 percent in June and advancing 3.7 percent in May. Unfilled orders for durable goods, meanwhile were up 0.7 percent in July after dipping 0.5 percent in June and edging up 0.4 percent in May.

Mickey Levy, chief economist at First Fidelity Bancorp in Philadelphia, was not impressed by the data. "It does not portend strength in the economy," Levy said. "The economy is very weak."

Not counting transportation items, July durable goods orders were up 2.2 percent, a government spokesman said. Not counting defense hardware, July orders were ahead 3.4 percent, the spokesman said. Despite the slow pace of economic growth, the Commerce Department said durable goods orders were up across the board last month:

- Transportation equipment increased five percent;
- Non-electrical machinery gained 2.7 percent;
- Primary metals increased 1.5 percent;
- Electrical machinery gained 1.9 percent.

Capital goods industries, which make equipment for factories and businesses, reported an 8.3 percent jump in orders in July on a 10.7 percent leap in non-defense goods offset by a 3.1 percent slide in defense goods.

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#90235u0700 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - Jordan's King Hussein is on his way to Yemen, the first stop in a shuttle diplomacy effort to find a peaceful resolution to the Persian Gulf crisis. The Jordanian monarch also is expected to stop in Baghdad where Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will address the Iraqi people today.

A broadcast report quotes a ''very, very accurate source'' in Iraq as saying ''starting tomorrow'' Iraqi troops will surround all the foreign embassies in Kuwait... unless diplomats close their offices and transfer to Baghdad as ordered.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency says a European hostage will be freed sometime today by his captors in Lebanon. Quoting an ''informed source,'' the agency says Irishman Brian Keenan is expected to be released. The British Embassy in Washington could NOT immediately confirm the report.

Black-on-black fighting in South Africa is in its 11th day today. 519 people have died and more than 15-hundred have been injured. Police are battling to keep warring tribes apart in the black township of Kagiso, west of Johannesburg. The violence has led the African National Congress to back away from its initial rejection of peace talks with the Zulu movement.

Japanese officials say three earthquakes rocked central Japan today. The quakes measured at least five on the Richter scale, but did NOT cause any damage or injuries. The shakers did cause added hassles for early morning commuters by disrupting the super-express bullet trains.

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#90235u0705 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - The fourth intensive dragnet for New York City's Zodiac killer did NOT result in the capture of the elusive gunman this morning. Police say they may dismantle a 50-detective task force because they haveN'T come up with any new information about the Zodiac killer, who has shot four men, killing one.

Engineers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, are

back in touch with the Magellan Venus probe. The probe lost contact with Earth yesterday for the second time in six days, but responded to emergency commands to ''call home.'' Officials doN'T know what caused the communication break-down.

Hundreds of fans are expected to crowd the Deliverance Evangelistic Church hall in North Philadelphia today for the funeral of entertainer Pearl Bailey. A friend says Bailey's husband, drummer Louie Bellson, agreed to open the services to the public because he knew that's what his wife would have wanted. Bailey suffered a fatal heart attack last Friday.

South African researchers say they have discovered a new method to track down elephant poachers that uses the chemical makeup of ivory to pinpoint a slain elephant's origin. The researchers say the technique involves studying certain metallic levels, along with carbon and nitrogen.

Showers covered parts of the East coast this morning, raising concerns about flooding and prompting forecasters to issue flash flood watches. Heavy rain is drenching the northern panhandle of West Virginia, eastern Pennsylania, Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D-C. It's hot and muggy in the Southeast.

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#90235u0755 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled 366,000 for the week ending Aug. 11, an increase of 25,000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

The seasonally adjusted and revised figure for the previous week was unchanged at 341,000 initial claims, the department's Employment and Training Administration said.

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#90235u0773 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

. City	Local Time	Temp F	C
Aberdeen pc	1pm	63	17
Amsterdam pc	1pm	70	21
Ankara c	3pm	86	30
Athens pc	2pm	86	30
Auckland pc	12a	55	13
Beijing cy	8pm	82	28
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	69	20

Bonn cy	1pm	67	20
Brussels pc	1pm	76	24
Cairo c	2pm	96	35
Casablanca c	12n	76	25
Copenhagen c	1pm	70	21
Dakar pc	12n	84	29
Dublin cy	1pm	73	23
Geneva c	1pm	72	22
Helsinki pc	2pm	64	18
Hong Kong cy	8pm	87	31
Jerusalem c	2pm	84	29
Karachi c	5pm	90	32
Lisbon pc	1pm	76	24
London cy	1pm	77	25
Madrid c	1pm	82	28
Malta c	1pm	86	30
Manila cy	8pm	80	26
Moscow cy	3pm	54	12
Nairobi cy	3pm	73	23
Nassau c	7am	81	27
New Delhi pc	6pm	93	34
Nice c	1pm	80	27
Oslo pc	1pm	65	19
Paris c	1pm	78	26
Pretoria c	2pm	73	23
Riyadh	3pm	109	43
Rome c	1pm	79	26
Seoul pc	9pm	76	24
Sofia cy	2pm	64	18
Stockholm pc	1pm	65	18
Sydney c	10pm	46	08
Taipei c	8pm	82	28
Tokyo c	9pm	85	30
Tunis c	1pm	86	30
Vienna c	1pm	74	23
Warsaw cy	1pm	59	15

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	44	06
Caracas	8am	-	-
Havana c	7am	77	25
Lima	7am	-	-
Mexico City hz	6am	57	14
Rio de Janeiro r	9am	63	17
Santiago fy	8am	44	07

Canada

Calgary pc		74	23

Edmonton cy	71	21
Montreal pc	78	25
Ottawa c	78	25
Regina c	86	30
Toronto c	72	22
Vancouver c	72	22
Winnipeg cy	88	31

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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ORRVILLE, OH (AUG. 23) UPI - The J.M. Smucker Co. said Thursday net income for the first quarter ended July 31 rose to $8.47 million, or 57 cents a share, from $8.06 million, or 55 cents a share, in the like 1989 period. Sales for the quarter jumped nearly 11 percent to $110.7 million from $100 million a year ago, the company added.

Smucker said volume growth occurred in its consumer, food service, international and specialty foods areas. The growth in the current quarter was also aided by results from the Henry Jones Foods business acquired in June 1989, the company said.

Net income grew at a lesser rate than sales due to investment spending in international markets, Smucker said.

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WARWICK, RI (AUG. 23) UPI - Metropolitan Property & Casualty Insurance has offered 475 employees up to 65 weeks pay to quit their jobs in a move to cut its workforce.

Depending on seniority, clerical and salaried staff are being offered a buyout with 12 to 65 weeks pay, said Brendan Houlihan, the company's senior director for human resources. The offer was made Wednesday.

Employees have until Sept. 19 to decide whether they want to take the offer. The company employs 600 people but the buyout will not affect

Metropolitan Life Insurance, which is an affiliate.

Company officials said the cutbacks are necessary because of a downturn in the property and casualty insurance industry. Metropolitan Property & Casualty President Theodore J. Ripley said the buyout will make the company healthy in the long run.

"It is those organizations that take the strong but often painful corrective steps now that will emerge as the future industry leaders," he said in a statement released Wednesday.

Houlihan said he did not know how much money the company will save through the buyout plan. Company officials are seeking a general reduction but do not have a specific goal in mind, he said.

Industry analysts said the move is not a surprise because the property and casualty insurance industry is in the midst of a two-year slump. Fleet/Norstar Financial Corp. Chief Economist Gary Ciminero said the cutbacks are not a big blow to the Rhode Island economy, but he said the employees who plan to quit will be entering a tight job market.

Metropolitan Property & Casualty's headquarters will remain in Warwick. The company was founded in 1972 and has field offices in 46 states.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 23) UPI - Washington Redskins wide receiver Ricky Sanders will be arraigned Friday on charges of aggravated assault and failure to stop and render aid stemming from an incident at a Houston topless bar.

Sanders, 27, was indicted Wednesday by a Harris County grand jury on the charges. He originally had been charged with attempted murder and aggravated assault after a May 1 incident outside the Men's Club, a Houston topless bar.

Sanders is scheduled to be in state District Judge Donald Shipley's court Friday for arraignment.

''I think it's a solid case,'' Assistant District Attorney Marc Brown said Wednesday. Last week, Brown said he would not pursue the attempted murder charge because he thought the grand jury would not return an indictment on that charge.

Wendell Odom and Cindy Henley, Sanders' attorneys, were in court Thursday morning and could not be reached for comment. Odom said previously he thought the state would have a hard time proving Sanders acted intentionally.

Sanders, who has been with the Redskins since 1986, has played in both of Washington's preseason games this season. He previously played for the Houston Gamblers of the USFL.

Sanders had come to Houston in May to watch a Houston Rockets-Los Angeles Lakers game and went to the club with friends after the game. The incident occurred after Sanders realized the hubcaps on his Cadillac were missing and argued with parking attendant Sam Jamus.

Sanders claimed the hubcaps were stolen while he was in the club while parking attendants said the hubcaps were already gone when Sanders arrived at the club.

Jamus, 29, who claimed Sanders struck him with the car and drove off, has filed a $5,000 personal injury lawsuit.

Aggravated assault is punishable by a prison term of two to 10 years and as much as $10,000 in fines. Failure to stop and render aid, also a felony charge, has a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a $5,000 fine.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, warned Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein Thursday not to ''try to scare us or threaten us.''

In remarks prepared for delivery to the Veterans of Foreign Wars convention in Baltimore and released at the Pentagon, Powell also urged Iraqis to question why Saddam has ''squandered'' Iraqi wealth on its invasion of Kuwait and on its eight-year war with Iran.

''Americans don't like war. We never have. We love peace. But we know that it is better to obtain peace by standing up to aggression early so you don't have to fight a war,'' said Powell, who has directed the massive effort to throw men and materiel into Saudi Arabia following Saddam's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''So we will defend our interests. Don't try to scare us or threaten us. It won't work, never has - and especially not threats from Mr. Hussein,'' Powell said.

Iraq has ordered all foreign embassies in Kuwait to close, but President Bush said Wednesday the U.S. Embassy will remain open.

The State Department said in a statement that it will continue to insist that American diplomats receive the full protection accorded them under

international law. Iraq said embassy personnel will lose their diplomatic protection if they do not leave.

There are roughly 3,000 Americans in Baghdad and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Powell said the United States ''will always come to the aid of our friends and fellow citizens. We will not abandon them when they are hostages. And that's what a guest is who isn't allowed to leave - a hostage.''

Saddam, he said, should not think ''that we don't have the will or the ability to accomplish what is required of us.''

And, he said, ''Surely the people of Iraq must be asking themselves why their leaders have squandered their wealth to invade their neighbors - with nothing to show for it but world condemnation and the deaths of thousands of innocent people.

''Mr. Hussein, the solution to this crisis is simple. Leave Kuwait. Let the legitimate government return. Use your wealth for peace not war,'' he said.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - Reading down: sales, earings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
La-Z-Boy Chair Co (1st Q 7-28)	
$123,447,000	$117,661,000
d-$104,000	$2,268,000 (.13)

d-Deficit.

Merry-Go-Round Enterp (2nd Q 8-4)	
$124,873,000	$90,320,000
$5,475,000 (.24)	$1,549,000 (.08)

Natl Computer Syst (2nd Q 7-31)	
$78,868,000	$65,653,000
$3,805,000 (.24)	a-$1,049,000 (.06)

a-Includes a pre-tax write-off of $1,600,000 (.06).

Petrie Stores (2nd Q 8-4)	
$313,010,000	a-293,692,000
$1,757,000 (.04)	$3,512,000 (.08)

a-Period ended July 29.

Smucker J M Co (1st Q 7-31)

$110,743,000 $100,067,000
$8,468,000 (.57) $8,057,000 (.55)

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#90235u0788 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 23) UPI - Officials in West Germany are welcoming this morning's vote by the East German parliament to unite the two Germanys on October 3rd. West German Chancellor Kohl is scheduled to make a special address to parliament later today. Kohl will automatically become the first chancellor of a reunited Germany. Pan-German elections will NOT be held before December 2nd.

In South Africa, police today battled to keep warring black factions apart in a township outside Johannesburg after factional violence entered its 11th day. Officials put the death toll at 519 and injuries at more than 15-hundred. The mounting casualty toll prompted the African National Congress to ease its reluctance to hold direct peace talks with the rival Zulu movement.

Officials in the Philippines report another bombing this morning by suspected military dissidents. The target was a food company owned by a member of President Aquino's cabinet. NO injuries were reported. It was the fourth bombing with a 24-hour period. Officials say the spate of bombings in Manila could be a prelude to what they call ''something more serious.''

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#90235u0789 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
SEABROOK, NH (AUG. 23) UPI - The Seabrook nuclear power plant was restarted early Thursday morning, nearly 24 hours after a technical glitch in the plant's turbine triggered an automatic shutdown, a plant spokesman said.

The turbine problem triggered the automatic disconnection from the New England power grid and the automatic shutdown of the plant's nuclear reactor. It was the first time the plant had been shut down since it began permanent full-power operation on Sunday.

"Late yesterday, technicians and engineers determined that a circuit board in a turbine control unit wasn't working properly and it caused the turbine shutdown," said Ron Sher, a spokesman for Seabrook operator New Hampshire Yankee. "Overnight technicians replaced the circuit board and operators early this morning made preparations to restart the reactor."

Sher said the reactor was restarted at 8:10 a.m. and the plant was operating at one percent power. He said Seabrook would resume 100 percent

operations within a day or two.

The problem that caused the shutdown of the $6.6 billion reactor was not serious, Sher said. "We do not believe this was significant," he said. "We took whatever steps and time were needed to identify what caused the problem. But this was a minor problem at the plant." He said the one- or two-day period to resume 100 percent operation was the normal time required to warm up the turbine and restart the reactor.

Seabrook began permanent full-power operations on Aug. 19, producing 1,150 megawatts of electricity, enough to supply about one million homes.

The plant received its full-power license from federal nuclear regulators in March and first generated electricity on May 29. It was operated through the summer at increasingly higher power levels as engineers conducted tests in preparation for full-power operation.

Seabrook was first proposed in 1972 and construction was completed in 1986. Licensing of the plant was held up by regulatory snags and court challenges by opponents who charged that the plant is unsafe and located in a populated area that would be impossible to evacuate in the event of a nuclear accident.

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#90235u0799 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

VIENNA (AUG. 23) UPI - OPEC oil ministers will hold emergency talks in Vienna as early as the weekend to try to find a solution to the crisis triggered by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, a spokesman for the 13-nation cartel said Thursday.

The talks were expected to be informal but a formal meeting could be convened at which decisions on oil production quotas and target prices could be made.

''It appears there will be informal consultative talks either this weekend or early next week,'' said the spokesman at the Vienna headquarters of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

The spokesman, who declined to be identified by name, said it was not yet clear which countries would be represented at the meeting.

Earlier attempts by Saudi Arabia to convene an emergency OPEC meeting were thwarted when the Saudis failed to win enough support for the plan.

The Saudis have threatened to increase their oil production unilaterally unless OPEC ministers meet in the near future to adjust quotas to make up for a shortfall of about 4 million barrels a day caused by the

international trade embargo against Iraq and Kuwait.

OPEC's inability to convene a meeting sent oil prices soaring Monday.

Crude oil jumped by an additional $3 a barrel Wednesday following an announcement by a Saudi oil company that it would suspend deliveries of petroleum products to Japan.

Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 during an oil and border dispute. Baghdad accused Kuwait of stealing oil from a border well.

The invasion prompted the deployment of a U.S.-led multinational force in Saudi Arabia to protect that country from a possible Iraqi attack.

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#90235u0801 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AUG. 23) UPI - Albanian authorities are erecting unscalable walls around embassies in Tirana to avert a repeat of the July crisis in which thousands of people stormed missions and demanded permission to emigrate, a U.S. congressman said Thursday.

Rep. Jim Moody, D-Wis., who stopped in Belgrade after a three-day visit to Albania, said walls are also being built around private properties in Tirana's main embassy area from which diplomatic compounds can be reached.

He said walls built across roads have left the area accessible by only two approaches. ''Control points'' have been set up on the approaches and guards check the identities of anyone entering the enclave, he said.

Moody said he was allowed into the enclave only after his passport was inspected and that it was his ''impression'' that ''Albanian citizens cannot walk in.''

''In the rest of Europe ... the walls are coming down and in Albania they are going up,'' said Moody, a member of the U.S. congressional committee that monitors compliance with the Helsinki human rights accord.

Moody and Sens. Paul Sarbanes, D-Md., and Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., comprised the first delegation from the committee to visit the last bastion of Stalinism in Europe.

He quoted diplomats in Tirana as saying that the communist regime did not seek permission from foreign governments before erecting the embassy walls.

He said he was unsure exactly how many embassies were being included in the construction program, but among them are the West German and Greek missions.

Workers are building the stucco-covered brick walls where none had existed or adding extensions to existing structures, Moody said. The completed walls are 12-15 feet high and topped with sharp glass shards.

He said the walls are impossible to climb, designed to prevent a recurrence of the crisis in July, when about 5,000 Albanians stormed into foreign missions, seeking to leave their isolationist, economically depressed homeland.

After nearly two weeks, the regime of President Ramiz Alia agreed to permit the refugees to emigrate, most of them traveling by ship to Italy.

Moody said he was told by Albanian officials that the walls are to ''protect'' the embassies.

The congressman said he met with Alia and other leaders and they expressed their intention to forge ahead with political reforms, including permitting foreign travel, seeking membership in the 35-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, and renewing diplomatic relations with the United States.

He quoted Alia as saying ''the reform process has begun and is irreversible.'' But Moody said that ''the embassy walls are in contrast to what they are committed to undertaking.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-83.00 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 135.00-140.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $265.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.00-$115.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $476.75-$481.50; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $114.00-$122.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 285.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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BEIRUT, LEBANON (AUG. 23) UPI - Iran's Islamic Republic News Agency reported Thursday that a European hostage, probably Irishman Brian Keenan, would be freed by his captors in Lebanon ''within the next few hours.''

The report could not be immediately confirmed and by evening there was no sign anyone had been released.

The official news agency said it based its report on an ''informed source'' but cautioned that Keenan's imminent release was also reported in July. IRNA said its source declined comment on the delay.

Keenan, an Irishman who also holds British citizenship, has been held in war-torn Lebanon since his abduction April 11, 1986, in Beirut. He taught English at the American University of Beirut.

''Keenan would be freed very soon as a fruit of direct talks between Irish and Iranian authorities,'' a ranking fundamentalist figure in Beirut told United Press International.

The hostage was expected to surface in Damascus, Syria, shortly after the release, said the official, who requested anonymity.

No one claimed responsibility for his kidnapping but it is believed Keenan

was grabbed by Iranian-linked Shiite Moslem fundamentalists.

''A European hostage held in Lebanon will be freed within the next few hours,'' began the IRNA report. ''According to the source, the hostage in question is most likely Brian Keenan.''

Keenan's sisters in Belfast, Northern Ireland, were guardedly pleased with the news.

''I think we will still be optimistic,'' Elaine Spence said. ''There seems to be a flow (of released hostages) now and hopefully this time it will be Brian.''

Another sister, Brenda Gillham, was more wary. ''I don't think we'll get our hopes up like in July,'' she said.

Fourteen Westerners, six of them Americans, are held by various extremist groups in Lebanon.

Demands by the kidnappers include freedom for more than 350 Palestinians detained in Israel and the release of more than a dozen Arabs convicted in Kuwait of bombing various Western targets. The convicts' status is not clear since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the ouster of the emirate's government.

''This is the first time we heard about that report,'' a British Embassy source said in a telephone interview. ''We cannot deny or confirm it. There have been many reports about an expected hostage release recently.''

A spokesman for Irish Foreign Affairs said Dublin was seeking clarification of the report through its embassy in Tehran. Energetic Irish diplomacy aimed at securing Keenan's release may have helped the teacher.

A group of Irish parliamentarians recently visited Tehran and won favor with their hosts by publicly calling for the release of 300 Muslims in captivity in southern Lebanon.

Another factor in Keenan's favor is an easing of Iran's traditionally rocky relationship with the West, thanks in part to Western help following the devasting earthquake that wracked Iran this spring and to the Persian Gulf crisis, which has locked the West in conflict with Iraq, Iran's old enemy.

The pro-Syrian As-Safir daily newspaper speculated last week there would be an imminent breakthrough in the plight of the Western hostages.

Political sources reported that Syrian Vice President Abdel Halim Khaddam raised the hostage issue during a visit to Iran last week.

Syria, which has 35,000 troops patrolling much of Lebanon, has expressed readiness to help resolve the hostage plight.

''Several hostages will be released one after the other,'' the fundamentalist official said. ''British hostage John McCarthy was expected to be the second to regain freedom after Keenan in the near future.''

McCarthy, a reporter for the British Worldwide Television News, was kidnapped April 17, 1986, in Beirut.

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#90235u0836 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, Kenya (AUG. 23) UPI - Litter including condoms, batteries, broken glass and women's underwear is threatening Kenya's endangered species at a time when poaching is being curbed, the nation's top wildlife official said in news reports published Thursday.

Nevertheless, Richard Leakey, director of the Kenya Wildlife Service, said some species were multiplying so fast that the government was considering allowing some hunting, banned since 1977.

Leakey - a world famous anthropologist turned wildlife crusader - said animals are dying from eating garbage. He blamed tourists for throwing litter such as cans and bottle tops from buses, but mainly game lodges in parks for not disposing of their waste properly.

An elephant called Emily died last year after eating litter, Leakey said in interviews with local newspapers. A post-mortem revealed garbage including broken glass and a battery in her intestines.

''We cannot allow tourists, owners of hotels or lodges and others who enter our wildlife areas to endanger the animals' health and survival,'' Leakey said.

Baboons and monkeys were no longer eating traditional foods, he said, but staying by garbage areas of lodges - luxury hotels set in the game reserves. The primates became obese and consequently ''their life spans were shortened,'' he said. Other wildlife too was found scavenging by the lodges.

To illustrate his point, Leakey broke up a heap of dried elephant dung which he found to contain a pair of women's underwear, a condom, a milk container and a used battery among other items eaten.

The papers quoted Leakey as saying the problem was ''serious and related directly to the health and well-being of the animals in the parks which are the very basis of Kenya's important and flourishing tourist industry.''

Over half a million tourists visited Kenya last year and the tourist industry is Kenya's largest foreign exchange earner.

Leakey said new guidelines will require lodges and tour operators to ensure the parks are kept clean.

The main threat to wildlife, poaching, which slashed Kenya's elephant population from 130,000 in 1973 to 20,000 today, is on the wane, partly because of an international ban on ivory trade adopted late last year, and partly because of stronger anti-poaching policies.

Leakey said 200 new U.S.-trained paramilitary personnel had recently been deployed on Kenya's shoot-to-kill anti-poaching patrols.

The government was reviewing its policy on local hunting, banned along with big game hunting in 1977. Kenya is looking at allowing the hunting of crop-destroying herbivores such as buffalo, zebra and antelopes.

And with poaching curbed, elephant populations might shoot to levels unsustainable by the environment, Leakey said, adding birth control for elephants was being considered as a future option.

But Leakey ruled out the possibility of emulating some African countries like Zimbabwe in licensing elephant and rhino shoots, calling trophy hunting the ''doorway to illicit trade''.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (AUG. 23) UPI - The Khmer Rouge guerrilla group said its forces ambushed a jeep in southern Cambodia, killing a province governor and three military division commanders.

Khmer Rouge radio said resistance guerrillas ambushed the jeep Aug. 15 in Kampot Province, 88 miles south of Phnom Penh, where fighting has flared in the past two weeks.

''Everyone in the jeep was killed, including the governor of Kampot Province, a division commander of Kampot Province, a commander of the Phnom Penh division, a Vietnamese division commander, two regiment officers, the chief of Dang Tong District, and two bodyguards,'' the radio said.

The report did not give the names of those killed.

It said five government troops were killed when the guerrilla group ambushed a government unit trying to retrieve the bodies of the slain officials.

Analysts in Bangkok said the account could not be confirmed but that the Khmer Rouge have stepped up guerrilla attacks focused on communications links.

Four days before the jeep ambush, the Khmer Rouge said, the guerrillas blew up a train near Kampot, killing five people. In fighting immediately after the train attack 36 government troops were killed in fighting with the guerrilla force, resistance radio reported.

The Khmer Rouge, along with two U.S.-backed guerrilla groups, are fighting the government installed by the 1978 Vietnamese invasion.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
USUAL				
Ametek Inc	Q	.16	9-28	9-14
Baltimore Bancorp	Q	.15	10-1	9-14
Bandag Inc	Q	.25	10-23	9-19
Belding-Heminway	Q	.16	9-17	9-7
Bowater Inc	Q	.30	10-1	9-10
Centennial Svgs Bk	Q	.10	9-28	9-7
Crystal Brands	Q	.05	10-1	9-15
Deposit Guaranty	Q	.39	10-1	9-14
Edison Bros Strs	Q	.26	9-11	9-4
First Florida Bks	Q	.24	9-15	9-4
First Home Fed S&L	Q	.06	9-28	9-14
First Midwest Bncp	Q	.13	10-5	9-26
Laclede Steel Co	Q	.10	9-18	9-5
Nrthrn States Pwr	Q	.58	10-20	10-1
Premier Bkshrs	Q	.10	11-1	10-15
Qanex Corp	Q	.10	10-1	9-17
Quick & Reilly	Q	.07	10-1	9-4
RHNB Corp	Q	.10	9-12	8-31
Square D Co	Q	.55	10-1	9-14
Tecumseh Products	Q	.80	9-28	9-14
Waxman Industries	Q	.03	9-21	9-7
Wrigley (Wm) Jr Co	Q	.22	11-1	10-15

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - Much has been made about President Bush's decision to manage the Persian Gulf crisis from his summer home in Maine, but virtually unseen for most of the crisis has been Vice President Dan Quayle, who is on a three-week vacation in Arizona.

However, even though Quayle and his family are spending most of their time at his parents' vacation home in Wickenburg, Ariz., his office insists that he regularly keeps in touch with national security officials by telephone.

And, in an administration where the president has said he hopes all Americans will continue to ''recreate,'' also on vacation in the midst of the current turmoil is Secretary of State James Baker, who is at his range in Wyoming.

Early in the crisis, Baker was a whirlwind of activity, visiting Moscow where he received strong cooperation from the Soviet Union and also visiting officials in Turkey.

However, in the last week he has been out of sight in Wyoming, although aides say he has been in constant contact both with the State Department and the president.

At his news conference Wednesday, Bush said Baker had been talking by telephone with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

Quayle, meanwhile, was seen in the very early stages of the crisis, which began Aug. 2 with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

However, he left for Arizona on Aug. 11. Aides say he has departed the Southwest three times since then - once for a briefing in Washington last week by Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and twice to attend GOP fund-raising events in Minnesota and Michigan.

His vacation is to end around Labor Day weekend.

''He is constantly kept abreast through constant communications with what is going on,'' said Craig Whitney, Quayle's assistant press secretary. ''I can't say that he calls every day, but he does call and can call.''

Whitney - who is handling the vice president's media calls because Quayle's regular press secretary, David Beckwith, is also on vacation - argued that for the vice president ''there's really no such thing as a

vacation. He's in touch. He gets communications and cable traffic every day.''

Bush has made the point that he is also in constant touch with the White House and administration officials from his Kennebunkport home while he is on vacation.

Quayle is slated to make one more trip during his vacation - an Aug. 28 speech to the American Legion in Indianapolis.

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#90235u0878 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

BILLINGS, MONT. (AUG. 23) UPI - A fugitive jailed in Alaska is suspected of killing at least seven people in a series of similar coin shop robberies across the country, authorities said.

James Thurman Sinclair is fighting extradition from Alaska to Montana on charges he killed a Billings coin shop owner and employee by shooting them in the head with a small-caliber handgun earlier this month.

Sinclair is suspected in the slayings of coin shop workers at Spokane, Wash., in July 1987; Kansas City, Mo., in March 1988; Vacaville, Calif., in November 1986; and of two people at a Vancouver, B.C., shop June 19, authorities in those cities confirmed Wednesday.

He also has been accused shooting a Murray, Utah, coin shop owner, who survived a gunshot wound to the head last May.

In most of the crimes, the gunman became acquainted with his victims, shot them in the head with a small-caliber handgun and robbed the stores of rare coins, authorities said.

''Our suspect sounds like the typical serial killer,'' said Sgt. Mike Cook an investigator with the Vacaville Police Department. ''Who knows where this is all going to end?''

Sinclair was linked to the killing at Vacaville's Golden Hills Coin Exchange by witnesses and unspecified items seized during a search of a storage shed in Sumas, Wash., and California authorities have ''more than enough evidence'' to charge Sinclair, Cook said.

''He told the owner he wanted to buy a lot of gold,'' Cook said. ''Just before he was killed, the guy called his wife to tell her he was making a big sale.''

The victim had been shot twice in the head with a small-caliber handgun, and his body was dumped into a creek near the business, Cook said.

In Kansas City, a coin shop owner also was shot in the head with a small-caliber weapon by a man wearing an arm sling identical to one worn during the Billings slayings, said Sgt. Pete Edlund of the Kansas City Police Department.

''It's the same guy. No doubt about it,'' Edlund said.

Sinclair also matches the description of the man who killed the owner of Cashatt Coins in Spokane, authorities said.

Vancouver investigators declined to be specific, but acknowledged Sinclair is a suspect in what police called the ''brutal execution-style murder'' of a gem store owner and his wife, who were shot in the head with a small-caliber weapon.

Sinclair was arrested Aug. 13 near his Kenney Lake, Alaska, home north of Anchorage while using the name Jimmy Charles Weir.

He earlier was accused of embezzling $30,000 from hunting and fishing licenses sold at a gun and sporting goods store he and his wife operated at Hobbs, N.M., where they disappeared in 1985.

Sinclair's wife, Debbie, also has been arrested on the embezzlement charge.

Sinclair flew to Alaska from Jackson, Wyo., two days after the Billings slayings, authorities said.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 23) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Thursday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery slightly higher on mediums; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 53-59.

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OMAHA (AUG. 23) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves 25; no test.

Hogs 1,400; butchers 50-1.00 lower; No 1-3 220-250 lb 53.50-54.00, mostly 53.50-53.75, No 1-2 200-230 lb 50.00-52.50, No 2-3 250-270 lb 52.00-53.00, few 285 lb 51.50; sows under 500 lb 1.00 to mostly 2.00 lower, over 500 lb 50-1.00 lower; No 1-3 350-500 lb 47.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 51.00-51.50, few 51.75.

Sheep None.

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GROTON, CT (AUG. 23) UPI - White-collar workers at the Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics Corp. began voting Thursday on a new three-year contract that would provide total wage hikes of ten percent and improved benefits.

E. Roy Colville, the head of the 1,600-member Marine Draftsmen's Association, an affiliate of the United Auto Workers union, said he expected the members to ratify the pact during the daylong balloting.

The tentative agreement reached last week to replace a contract that expires Saturday will provide wage hikes of four percent the first year and three percent in the next two years, Colville said.

Colville said the wage hikes and improvements in pension and other benefits would offset an increase in the share of health insurance premiums paid by employees and higher insurance deductibles. "It's a very fair, well-rounded agreement, given with what's happening with the Defense Department regarding spending cuts," Colville said.

The Marine Draftsmen's Association represents draftsmen and other technical employees who work on the design and plans for U.S. Navy submarines. All of the Navy's 11 Trident submarines so far have been built at Electric Boat and the shipyard has received a contract to build the prototype of the Seawolf, the Navy's next generation of submarines.

Electric Boat also builds Los Angeles class fast-attack submarines in competition with a shipyard in Newport News, Va. The sprawling Thames River shipyard had hoped to be in line for future Seawolf construction but plans have been put on hold as a result of military spending cuts proposed by Defense Secretary Dick Cheney.

Colville said he expected the defense cutbacks to have little effect on Electric Boat because work on submarines is necessary "to allow the nation to keep its technical edge."

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TROY, NY (AUG. 23) UPI - Former Rep. Edward ''Ned'' Pattison, president of Congress's famed post-Watergate class of 75 freshmen Democrats, died Wednesday night of cancer. He was 58.

Termed ''a conscience to his community'' by New York Lt. Gov. Stan Lundine a one-time congressional colleague, Pattison was a key member of the reform coalition that toppled the blind seniority system and other restrictive rules that had guided the House.

He also was an architect of the 1976 modernization and reform of the federal copyright law.

The liberal Democrat, elected in 1974, was ousted from his conservative district in 1978 by Rep. Gerald Solomon, a Republican, after confessing he once smoked marijuana and after bucking the National Rifle Association on gun control.

Pattison returned to his law practice at his family's century-old law firm in Troy.

But Pattison never stopped being active in politics. He was a founder and served until his death as chairman of the Congressional Institute on the Future.

In addition, he was a political columnist for the Daily Gazette of Schenectady and a political commentator and analyst for WNYT-TV in Albany and WQBK radio in Albany.

Earlier this summer, Pattison received the prestigious Elihu Root-Henry L. Stimson award from the state Bar Association for service to his community.

A graduate of the Albany Academy, he received his undergraduate and law degrees from Cornell University. He was a fellow at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard and taught public policy courses at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and Antioch-New England Graduate School.

Pattison is survived by his wife Eleanor and four children. There are no calling hours. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m., Aug. 30, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Troy.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 61-64.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - A federal judge knocked down Guam's abortion law... which made the procedure illegal under nearly all circumstance. Federal Judge Alex Munson ordered a permanent injunction against the law and declared void a scheduled referendum on the issue in the predominantly Roman Catholic South Pacific island. Guam's law made it illegal for a woman to seek an abortion, or for anyone to perform one, except in rare cases where the pregnancy threatened the mother's life.

Security forces clashed with Tamil rebels in Sri Lanka yesterday, leaving at least 32 rebels dead. Military officials say at least 12 rebels were killed when helicopter gunships strafed a hideout in northern Sri Lanka. Sri Lankan forces are trying to wrest from Tamil rebel control an area near a fort, where government forces have been trapped since June. About one-thousand Sri Lanka troops stormed the peninsula yesterday in an attack on the rebel stronghold.

New York Yankee owner George Steinbrenner's problems with major league baseball over his involvement with a gambler spread to the U-S Olympic Committee last night. Steinbrenner was stripped of his job as a vice president of the U-S-O-C. The U-S-O-C executive committee voted to suspend Steinbrenner for an indefinite period of time, saying his status would be reviewed monthly. Steinbrenner said in a statement that he feels the action is appropriate.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - Replacing a defective gene in colon cancer cells can halt their growth in the test tube, a finding that may point the way to new treatments for America's No. 2 cancer killer, researchers reported Thursday.

The new work confirms the hunch that the gene plays a key role in suppressing cancerous growth in the colon, and possibly elsewhere in the body, said researchers from Johns Hopkins Univeristy in Baltimore and Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland.

Healthy people usually have two normal copies of the gene, called p53. But past research by Dr. Bert Vogelstein of Johns Hopkins has shown that in about three-quarters of colon cancer patients, one copy of the gene has been lost and the other copy has mutated. What causes the gene to mutate is still unknown.

About 155,000 Americans develop colon cancer each year and another 60,000 die of the disease, making it the nation's second leading cause of cancer deaths after lung cancer.

When the p53 gene was discovered in April 1989, it was theorized that it normally acts as a brake on cancer cell growth, and when mutated, cell growth speeds out of control. Cancer is a disease characterized by unchecked cell growth.

In the latest study, published in the journal Science, Vogelstein's team inserted a normal p53 gene into laboratory-grown lines of colon cancer cells known to have a defective p53 gene.

When the genes received the normal p53 gene, cancerous growth stopped but growth resumed when researchers inserted another defective version of the 53 gene.

The new discovery ''stresses the importance of suppressor genes in controlling tumor growth,'' Vogelstein said.

Although it is likely several types of suppressor genes must be damaged before colon cancer occurs in the body, Vogelstein said the new findings indicate that replacing just one gene may be enough to halt cancer growth.

Understanding how the p53 gene works may one day lead to development of drugs that would mimic its behavior and possibly put the brakes on colon cancer's deadly, runaway growth, Vogelstein said.

Suzanne Baker, co-author of the study published in the journal Science, said the findings are ''particularily exicting'' because p53 has been found to be mutated in many different tumor types besides colon cancer, including those affecting the lung, breast and bone.

Researchers are now trying to determine the function of the protein that p53 codes for so they can see exactly how it keeps cell growth in check, and possibly design synthetic proteins with similar power, she said.

Both Baker and Vogelstein said protein-like drugs probably would be a far easier treatment method than attempting to use complicated gene therapy methods to insert normal p53 genes into the bodies of cancer patients.

However, Baker pointed out a potential obstacle to such therapeutic

approaches. ''We don't really know at this point what it (the p53 protein) is going to do to regular cells,'' she said.

In samples of colon tumors taken from patients, the p53 mutations appeared to occur at the point when a tumor shifts from a harmless benign state to a malignant and potentially lethal form. Another apparent tumor suppressor gene recently found by the Johns Hopkins team, called DCC, appears to become defective slightly earlier in the march towards cancer, when the tumor is still benign.

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#90235u1010 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

SANTIAGO, CHILE (AUG. 23) UPI - Gen. Augusto Pinochet completed his 17th year as army commander Thursday, still a powerful force in Chile despite political reverses.

He is ironically the senior official with the most longevity appointed by Marxist ex-President Salvador Allende, who ignored warnings by friends that Pinochet was a conspirator and named him army commander on Aug. 23, 1973.

That proved to Allende's undoing.

Within weeks, in a violent coup on Sept. 11, 1973, Pinochet abruptly terminated the Allende's experiment with what was then called ''the Chilean way to socialism.''

Though Pinochet yielded the presidency to elected President Patricio Aylwin last March 11, under the constitution he himself wrote in 1980, he can remain army commander until 1997 - unless he resigns voluntarily or is forced to quit by a constitutional amendment.

Pinochet, 74, prestigious among many middle class voters for the success of his free market economic policies, is being mentioned in political circles as a possible presidential candidate in 1993, when new elections will be held.

Though Pinochet was beaten in bid to govern another eight years in a plebiscite in 1988, and his favored presidential candidate was defeated in December of 1989, Pinochet is a formidable figure in Chile. The army he leads is Chile's most powerful branch of the armed services.

Even his critics, while deploring his dictatorial methods, have recognized some of his merits: a capacity for work, astuteness, and the flexibility of accepting the decision of voters when beaten.

But he is not yet out.

A Chilean diplomat told UPI that during his 16 years as president, Pinochet, who always kept the dual position as army commander, systematically filled the ranks of the officers' corps with sympathizers so that ''now the army is a mirror image of himself.''

Since leaving the presidency, Pinochet has rarely made public appearances but has spent a lot of time visiting regiments, shoring up his authority.

Pinochet Wednesday night affirmed in a message to subordinates that he would continue on his army post as ''called by the designs of Divine Providence.''

Army officers, led by Pinochet, are openly hostile to a human rights investigation now being conducted by a special commission appointed by Aylwin, a Christian Democrat.

They are expected to fiercely resist any attempt to bring officers to trial when the commission publishes, in the months ahead, details about the disappearances and killings of thousands of opposition figures, most of whom died in the months immediately following Allende's ouster.

In excerpts from his memoirs published by a Santiago newspaper Wednesday, Pinochet said as soon as Allende was elected on Sept. 4, 1970, he advised subordinate officers that if Chile continued on the socialist path, it would ''become a Russian satellite.''

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TOKYO (AUG. 23) UPI - The benchmark crude oil price soared above $30 a barrel in Tokyo for the first time in nearly eight years Thursday, propelled by tensions in the Middle East.

Saudi Arabia also told Japanese oil companies the Saudis were ready to increase their crude oil exports to make up for the loss resulting from the U.N. embargo of Kuwaiti and Iraqi exports if the Japanese companies desire, Japanese industry officials said.

The price for the benchmark Dubai crude for delivery in October was the highest level on the Tokyo cash market since Nov. 9, 1982, traders said.

They said the rise in Tokyo oil prices was mainly caused by Wednesday's notification by Saudi Arabia's state-owned Samarec oil refining and marketing company that it will suspend Japanese exports in September of refined-oil products, including light oil and jet fuel.

Petroleum Industry Association officials said the Saudi decision

apparently is designed to increase supplies of oil products, mainly jet fuel, to U.S.-led multinational force deployed in Saudi Arabia.

But industry sources Thursday said some Japanese refiners had already responded to the Saudis' offer to raise crude oil exports.

They estimated Saudi Arabia's crude sales to Japanese importers will probably double to 500,000 barrels daily.

Japan imports more than 90 percent of its oil. Prior to the U.N. embargo in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, Iraq and Kuwait accounted for 10.8 percent of Japanese oil imports, according to Ministry of International Trade and Industry figures.

Officials said the embargo's impact will be slight in the short term because Japan had a 182-day supply of crude oil in stock at the end of June.

MITI said Japan's crude oil imports in July prior to the invasion increased 6.5 percent over a year ago to 105.5 million barrels, with the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries accounting for 77 percent of this.

Saudi Arabia was the largest supplier, accounting for 18.4 percent of imports, followed by the United Arab Emirates with 18.3 percent, the ministry said.

Indonesia was the third largest supplier to Japan but its sales declined 5.1 percent to 15.6 million barrels - or 14.8 percent of the total, the ministry said.

OPEC announced in Vienna that it will hold ''consultative talks'' as early as this weekend to raise output to compensate for the 4 million barrels daily lost worldwide by the U.N. embargo of Kuwaiti and Iraqi crude.

On Monday, OPEC rejected a proposal by Saudi Arabia for a full meeting of the cartel on the grounds that a majority of seven members did not support such a conference.

U.S. industry sources said the OPEC talks will probably be limited to the members supporting an increase.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney says the United States is prepared to fight if provoked by Iraq. Cheney says the U-S military has a ''wide range of responses available'' if Baghdad makes any more agressive

moves in the Persian Gulf region. But Cheney adds that the final decision is up to President Bush.

The State Department says the U-S Embassy will remain open in Kuwait, despite an Iraqi order for all nations to close their embassies by tomorrow. A senior State Department official says it's NOT known what will happen tomorrow. As he puts it- ''The Iraqis have said a lot of things. Sometimes they follow through and sometimes they doN'T.''

Armenia passed a declaration of independence today, but stopped short of secession from the Soviet Union. The republic claimed an ''inalienable right'' to the Nagorno-Karabakh territory in its independence proclamation. The enclave is the basis of bitter ethnic warfare in the region.

The Commerce Department surprised private analysts today, saying new orders for durable goods jumped an unexpected two-point-nine percent in July. The department says there was a strong demand for aircraft as the world's airlines scramble to rebuild their aging fleets... but that shipments were weak.

An economist at D-R-I McGraw Hill in Lexington, Massachusetts, describes the government report as ''reasonably positive.'' But Cynthia Latta says the figures were bloated by aircraft orders... and therefore does NOT tell you about production in the next few months... but ''four or five years down the road.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - The New York Rangers have signed right wing Mike Gartner, the club announced Thursday. Terms of the contract were not disclosed.

The Rangers obtained Gartner, a five-time All-Star, in a late-season trade with Minnesota and he scored 11 goals in 12 games for New York. Overall last season, the 11-year veteran collected 45 goals and 41 assists in 79 games.

With 11 consecutive seasons of 30 goals or more, Gartner trails only Bobby Hull (13), Phil Esposito (13) and Marcel Dionne (12) for the NHL record of most consecutive 30-goal seasons.

His 449 career goals rank Gartner sixth on the NHL's goal-scoring list among active players.

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PARIS (AUG. 23) UPI - Iraq's ambassador assured the French government Thursday that a number of Frenchmen held captive in Iraq will be allowed to leave, the Foreign Ministry said.

The Foreign Ministry said in a statement the ambassador, Abdul Razzak al Hachimi, confirmed his government's decision to release some of the 560 French nationals now being held in Iraq and Kuwait.

The statement did not indicate when the Frenchmen would be released or how many persons are involved.

The statement added that the ''liberty of movement of all Frenchmen as well as all other foreigners should be established without delay.''

It reaffirmed Paris' ''full solidarity with countries which, like France, are victims of Iraqi measures against their citizens.''

On Wednesday, Iraqi Parliament President Saadi Mehdi Saleh said his country had decided to allow a certain number of French and Japanese citizens being held hostage in Iraq to leave ''in the hope of stopping the alliance'' of certain countries with the United States in the Gulf crisis.

Political analysts in Paris said the foreign ministry statement was an attempt to make it clear that French policy towards Iraq would not be influenced by the announcment that some hostages would be released.

On Tuesday President Francois Mitterrand announced he was sending ground troops to the United Arab Emirates and additional technical personnel to Saudi Arabia. He also said France would continue to sell weapons, including Mirage F-1 fighters, to those Kuwaiti units that had successfully escaped to Saudi Arabia during the Iraqi invasion.

Mitterrand has been accused of trying to forge an independent Gulf policy from the United States and other Western countries in the hope of convincing Baghdad to release its nationals.

He has denied the charges.

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#90235u1082 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 23) UPI - South African police are trying to keep rival factions apart in one black township near Johnnesburg. As factional violence entered its 11th day, the death toll rose to 519 and injuries totaled more than 15-hundred. Police say Zulu migrant workers and other tribes clashed in a township overnight.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl says ''today is a day of joy for all Germans.'' Kohl welcomed the East German parliament's decision that unification will take place on October 3rd. But Kohl also told the parliament in Bonn that the victims of Nazism and communism should NOT be forgotten.

New York police had NO luck in a fourth intensive manhunt for the Zodiac killer. The gunman has shot four men since March 8th, killing one of them, during attacks staged a 21-day intervals. He has sent letters to police vowing to kill one person for each of the 12 astrological signs of the Zodiac.

Detroit Mayor Coleman Young's office says it will look into a complaint filed against the city's zoo director by his black employees. A union representing the workers plans to file a formal grievance today against zoo director Steve Graham for allegedly referring to the zoo's black employees as- quote- ''monkeys.''

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - President Bush enjoys strong congressional support for his moves against Iraq, but some members say they want more discussion with the administration about what lies ahead.

The massive buildup of U.S. forces in the Middle East ''has occurred in a mere two weeks, a fraction of the time it took us to make a similar commitment to Indochina, and with a fraction of the discussion,'' Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., said. ''It seems to me that discussion has to take place.

''In the weeks ahead the president must do more to explain to the American people the consequences of such a major new commitment.''

Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., chairman of the House Foreign Affairs subcommittee on Europe and the Mideast, wanted to hold public hearings on the situation right away, but administration officials put him off, saying they were not yet ready to testify.

Hamilton, like most other lawmakers, says he supports ''the goals that the president has laid out.''

A few members, however, have voiced reservations about U.S. policy. Sen. Terry Sanford, D-N.C., feels the United States has effectively prevented an Iraqi invasion of Saudi Arabia and now should begin a gradual withdrawal of U.S. troops.

''The more we build up, the more it makes everyone uneasy, and if we

continue to be belligerent, we may well aggravate the situation,'' Sanford said.

But most of his colleagues disagree. ''If we allow a nation to absorb a small nation and then deter them from attacking another nation it shouldn't be very long before we are surrounded,'' said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz.

Hamilton said a U.S. withdrawal would leave Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein ''the winner because he occupies Kuwait, and I don't think that's acceptable.''

During his news conference Wednesday, Bush said he had spoken earlier with the top four leaders of Congress and expressed his pleasure ''that they are giving us the strong support they have been.''

But Biden and Hamilton, among others, feel even wider consultation with Congress is in order under terms of the 1973 War Powers Act, which gives Congress the authority to order U.S. troops home if it disagrees with the president's actions.

''It is arguable that he has not had time to do that yet, and I am prepared to accept that for the time being, but not for a whole lot longer '' said Biden, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee and a member of the Foreign Relations Committee.

''If they don't come around I think we should hold some extensive hearings ... and begin to debate the issue. I think it's something that has to be debated.''

''The president has acted pretty much by himself here,'' Hamilton said. ''The Congress is, of course, out of town. It's not an easy body to consult with now. But I do think it's important for the president to maintain close consultation with the Congress.''

''There have been a number of briefings. I think it's time for them now to come up and begin to testify. I've asked them to do that - they're apparently not prepared to do it yet - but I think it's time for them to come up to Capitol Hill, in open session, in public session, and to begin to defend the policy, and to give members of Congress a chance to critique that policy.''

Hamilton says the president has done a good job of building international support for his policy, but ''he now needs to speak more frequently and with more precision about what our goals are and what they are not. ... It's going to be a real challenge to his leadership skills to sustain the international and domestic consenus that he has.''

Sen. James Exon, D-Neb., said he continues to support Bush's decision to send military forces into the Middle East, but said U.S. troops should not be ordered to engage in combat.

''I hope there are no plans for Americans to be involved in combat to drive Iraqi forces out of Kuwait,'' he said. ''I, for one, do not think armed conflict is inevitable.''

Hamilton also said he was ''uneasy with the assumption ... that war is inevitable.''

Rep. Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., assistant House Republican leader, said Bush's decision to call up some reserves was ''the prudent thing'' to do, and he credits with ''an absolutely remarkable job diplomatically.''

McCain says the American people ''are solidly behind the president,'' partcularly since Iraq has taken thousands of westerners hostage.

''I think most of the American people are willing to risk American lives to win the release of Americans from unacceptable hostage conditions,'' McCain said.

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BRIDGEPORT, CT (AUG. 23) UPI - Remington Arms Co. was ordered Thursday to assess hazardous waste contamination at its former ammunition plant and propose clean-up measures at the 430 acre site.

The consent order also requires Remington to clean up a portion of the facility used as an open burning area and conduct a risk assessment, said officials of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Remington will study the nature and extend of hazardous waste contamintation to develop remedial measures at 22 areas of concern throughout the site, the EPA said.

The study is expected to take 27 months and will be carrried out under EPA's oversight. It will be expanded if more areas of concern are identified.

The areas of concern include old landfills, surface impoundments, treatment lagoons, waste storage areas and explosive detonation areas, officials said.

Remington halted operations at the plant in December 1989.

While it was open, the facility generated hazardous waste oils, spent

acids, heavy metal sludges, and deactivated explosive wastewater plating sludges, officials said.

The consent order for the study and clean up plan was issued under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.

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PARIS (AUG. 23) UPI - After two years of sharp appreciations in stock prices, the Paris Bourse has taken a sharp plunge since the start of the Persian Gulf crisis, but analysts say the underlying reasons for the French stock market's decline go beyond tensions in the Middle East.

The Paris market's key CAC-40 Index, which measures the 40 most widely traded stocks, has declined 21.9 percent in one month, a larger drop than the 21.2 percent loss in October 1987 stemming from the "Black Monday" collapse of stock markets around the world.

For its part, the broader SBF Index composed of the 240 stocks on the monthly settlement account has declined 20.4 percent during the same period, compared with a loss of 17.1 percent in October 1987.

"I really find this drop excessive, and I have trouble understanding the nervousness among traders," French Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy said Tuesday. "They act on an hourly basis and are at the mercy of the latest news from the Gulf or Washington. It's high time they looked further ahead."

After losing more than ten percent during the previous three trading sessions, the CAC-40 Index made a comeback Wednesday to close 2.57 percent higher as institutional investors stepped in to buy attractively priced issues whose values have been battered in recent weeks.

But by Thursday, investor sentiment, again dominated by the Gulf crisis, turned sour and the CAC-40 Index lost another 2.08 percent. Since April 17 when the market reached an all-time high, the CAC-40 has lost 28 percent of its value.

In Europe, only the Frankfurt market's 18.2 percent drop comes close to the losses in Paris, but most analysts attribute this decline not only to the Gulf crisis but also to the recent collapse of the East German governing coalition and the economic problems linked to German reunification.

Curiously, losses experienced at Palais Brongniart, as professionals like to refer to the neo-Greek stock exchange building in central Paris, came without waves of panic selling, either from institutional investors or

small shareholders.

"We're a bit surprised, but in the past France has led the way when it comes to losses," said Robin Spratt of Societe Generale-Strauss Turnbull in London. "We're in the month of August, when there are smaller volumes and trends tend to get exaggerated."

He and other analysts noted the Paris market's sell-off has been exacerbated because international investors in need of cash pulled out of the options and futures markets that have developed as a result of government efforts to liberalize French financial markets five years ago.

As has been the case in the United States and elsewhere, options and futures trading tied to stocks has tended to add volatility not previously seen on stock exchanges, they said.

"France is paying the price of having these instruments that other markets don't have," Spratt said. In Tuesday's trading, he estimated, 40 percent of the Bourse's volume involved options.

While the effect of the Gulf crisis is in fact the major factor behind the losses of the past three weeks, financial analysts say a number of other factors, including overpriced stocks, persistently high interest rates and disappointing corporate results, have been instrumental in the collapse of the Paris market.

The Bourse registered increases of 48 percent in 1988 and 33.3 percent in 1989 - gains many analysts say were unjustified despite good overall economic indicators and strong company results.

Since this spring, major French companies such as Michelin, Peugeot and Saint-Gobain have announced lower profits, while major exporters to the United States, including the luxury conglomerate Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton and l'Oreal, are suffering from the weakening value of the dollar.

Bourse investors are also particularly concerned about the effects higher petroleum prices will have on the French economy. Currently, inflation is running at an annual rate of only three percent and economic growth is expected at three percent this year.

Beregovoy, the finance minister, estimated last week that if the price of crude oil were to stabilize at $25 a barrel, France's inflation rate would grow by 0.5 percent. but crude has since cracked the $30-a-barrel level on commodity markets in New York and Tokyo.

"We are pessimistic about the market," an analyst for the Paris brokerage house Cholet Dupont said. "We cannot tell the client to buy at a moment when there is a chance of armed conflict with unknown consequences."

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney authorized the military services Thursday to begin calling up as early as Friday nearly 50,000 reservists, most of whom are expected to be sent to the Persian Gulf.

About 10,000 members of the ''selected reserve'' - an umbrella term for both reservists and members of the National Guard - are due to get notices to report to active duty before the end of this month to support Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia.

Up to 40,000 others will be called up between Aug. 31 and Oct. 1, Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said.

''The call-ups, according to the military services, could begin as early as tomorrow (Friday),'' Williams said, adding that no specific units would be identified by the Pentagon until members are notified by telephone.

The bulk of the reservists will come from the Army reserve, and Williams said the majority of those personnel are likely to be sent to Saudi Arabia in combat support and combat service support roles such as water, fuel and ammunition handlers.

''Now, the reservists who will be called up ... will support Operation Desert Shield by joining active-duty units deployed in and around the Arabian Peninsula or by filling critical military support vacancies in the United States or elsewhere,'' Williams said, adding that some could go to Europe to fill in for troops sent to Saudi Arabia from there.

Calling up 50,000 reservists would cost about $100 million per month in added pay and allowances, according to reserve officials.

Cheney met with the secretaries and chiefs of the Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps in the morning and then signed paperwork authorizing them to call up a maximum of 49,703 reservists, Williams said. However, 3,000 of those are in the Marine Corps and Williams said it was unlikely they would be called up.

By the end of August, Williams said, a total of 9,827 people are likely to be called; 4,912 for the Army, 3,213 for the Navy, 1,002 in the Air Force and another 700 in the Coast Guard.

By Oct. 1, he said, the services anticipated they would need another 36,876 reserve forces to provide support for the swelling number of active duty personnel in the region. That additional manpower projection was

broken down as another 19,822 for the Army, 3,030 for the Navy, 13,474 for the Air Force and 550 for the Coast Guard.

Although the figures Cheney approved were intended as upper limits on what the services may activate, most were expected to be called because the services gave Cheney figures on their anticipated needs.

''We will call up only what we need when we need it,'' said Williams.

The reservists are being activated under a law allowing President Bush to call up to 200,000 reservists to active duty for 90 days with one 90-day extension permitted. It was expected those called up would be used for the entire 180 days.

Many of those called up will be used to help handle food, water, ammunition and work on docks. Physicians called up, chiefly by the Navy, will be asked to fill in in the United States for Navy doctors sent overseas.

He said about half the Navy reservists would be working in the region and most of the Air Force reservists would work there. The initial Air Force call up is chiefly for flight crews because many Air Force pilots are rapidly approaching the maximum number of flying hours that officials consider safe.

For example, he said that ''in the last 24 hours, 123 (U.S.) planes have landed in Saudi Arabia.''

Williams said the figures were based on providing support functions for the number of active duty forces expected in Saudi Arabia but that ''if circumstances change, if there is an act of aggression, perhaps the numbers will have to be reviewed.''

He also announced that the Pentagon has given commanders the authority to keep people with critical skills, such as Arab linguists, in the service even though their enlistment might be expiring.

''The secretary also granted today what is called 'stop-loss authority' to the military services. This allows them to keep critical skills in theater of operation by delaying the departure of service members who are about to retire or have reached the end of their enlistment,'' Williams said, adding he had no specific numbers.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Former champions John McEnroe, Jimmy Connors and Mats Wilander, all unseeded this year, are dangerous floaters for the U.S.

Open starting next Monday.

Wilander, whose Open victory came merely two years ago, elevating him to the No. 1 world ranking, will have the first opportunity to wreak some damage, drawing eighth seed Brad Gilbert in the opening round. Wilander's ranking has dropped to No. 58 after he took off from February to July, and Tuesday he lost to 300th-ranked Todd Martin in the WCT Tournament of Champions.

Still, he just turned 26 this week, and with his talent he represents a formidable first-round obstacle.

The same holds for Connors and McEnroe, who between them own nine Open crowns. Both have had severe injuries this year, with Connors dropping to No. 75 in the rankings and McEnroe to 21. Both, though, have the capacity to perform well on the hard courts of Flushing Meadows.

Connors has the more difficult first-round task, being paired against No. 46 Kevin Curren in Thursday's draw while McEnroe also will be fortunate to escape the opening round after a meeting with Spaniard Javier Sanchez, No. 53.

Connors injured his left wrist last February, and was idle until this week when he is appearing in the WCT Tournament of Champions. He said on Monday that his performance in the Forest Hills competition would determine whether or not he will play in the Open.

Top seed Stefan Edberg, the Wimbledon champion, drew Alexander Volkov of the Soviet Union as his first opponent, and No. 2 Boris Becker, the 1989 champion, opens his defense against Juan Aguilera of Spain.

Ivan Lendl, who has dropped to third in the rankings, drew a qualifier. Lendl has appeared in the last eight finals, winning three times. Fourth seed Andre Agassi, the losing finalist to Andres Gomez in the French Open, begins against Canadian Grant Connell and Gomez, the fifth seed, meets Luis Mattar of Brazil.

Edberg and Lendl are in the same half of the draw, while Becker and Agassi are seeded to meet in the semifinals of the bottom half.

The most fascinating opening round match in the women's draw pairs Bulgarian sisters Katerina and Magdalena Maleeva. Katerina, 20, is the seventh seed while 15-year-old Magdalena is ranked No. 93.

Defending champion Steffi Graf, the top seed, opens against a qualifier and No. 2 Martina Navratilova drew Federica Haumuller of Argentina. Graf could meet 14-year-old sensation Jennifer Capriati, the 13th seed, in the fourth round and her semifinal opponent could be No. 4 Zina Garrison, her

conqueror in the Wimbledon semifinals.

Navratilova, a four-time Open champion and three times the runnerup, appears to have a favorable draw. She would meet a qualifier in the second round and her quarterfinal opponent could be eighth seed Mary Joe Fernandez.

Third seed Monica Seles, the French champion, opens against Elena Pampoulova of Bulgaria, and could meet No. 5 Gabriela Sabatini in the quarterfinals with that winner seeded to play Navratilova.

Sixth seed Arantxa Sanchez Vicaro of Spain, the 1989 French champion, has a difficult opening round test against Australian Nicole Provis, ranked No. 40.

The purse for the U.S. Open has been increased 17 percent to a record $6,349,250, with the men's and women's winners each earning $350,000. In addition, all players in the main draw of singles, doubles and mixed doubles will receive a per diem of $120.

Among other amenities being added this year are a nursery for players' children and TV monitors at the entrances to stadium seating.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Bert Parks, at 75 back with the Miss America pageant and enjoying a surge in his career, came to town Thursday to record his famous ''There She Is.''

Parks, who was fired 10 years ago after 25 years with the pageant, buried the hatchet with officials Aug. 15.

His new job will be to sing the famous song in tribute to at least 26 former contest winners, dating back to Miss America 1933 at this year's 70th anniversary to be aired Sept. 8 on NBC.

Thursday he cut the promotion record at BMG Studios in only three takes and later joked with reporters and photographers about being out there on stage in Atlantic City without a teleprompter.

''My life depends on my not forgetting the words,'' he said with a grin.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - After decades of being poor cousins, farmers now have an average income that matches or tops the rest of the nation, but

they depend on off-the-farm jobs to make the difference, government analysts said Thursday.

The statistical situation is a dramatic change from the Depression, when farm families made only half as much as the U.S. average. Even in 1960, farm households earned only 60 percent of the national average.

''Over half the U.S. farm population was poor and one in five poor people lived on a farm (in 1959-1960),'' two Agriculture Department economists said before declaring that farm household income now ''on average, is on par with non-farm family incomes.''

''Off-farm income growth has been critical to this improvement,'' they said in comments soon to appear in Agricultural Outlook magazine.

A similar analysis was published this spring in Choices, the magazine of the American Agricultural Economics Association.

The average income for farm operator households was estimated as $41,558 in 1988, or one-fifth higher than the U.S. household average of $34,017.

''Preliminary statistics suggest that the ratio may have even increased for 1989,'' the authors of the Choices article said.

Despite the rise in average income, analysts said some farm families still face severe income obstacles. Agriculture Department economist Tom Carlin noted that income is not distributed evenly among farm households.

''There tend to be more low-income households and more high-income households,'' Carlin said.

Government studies have found that roughly half of the income of farm operator households comes from off-farm sources. Non-farm jobs accounted for 59 percent of the $41.9 billion the households earned in 1988, the Census Bureau said in a report released last week. Most of the rest of off-farm money came from interest, dividends, professional services or retirement benefits.

''Off-farm income has become a permanent source of income for many households in the farm sector,'' the Economic Research Service said in a 1989 report that concluded half of all farm households rely on off-farm income for most of their income.

''Without off-farm income, farm households' adjusted household income would be slightly more than 50 percent of that of the average of all U.S. households.''

Ninety percent of the families with small farms - defined as those with

less than $40,000 in sales each year - depend primarily on off-farm income.

The rise in average income also has been aided by the upturn in the agricultural economy following the recession of the 1980s. Net farm income is estimated for $47 billion to $51 billion this year, up $10 billion from 1986. Off-farm income was estimated for $56 billion to $58 billion this year.

Some analysts believe the importance of off-farm income should prompt an examination of government policies. Efforts to improve the rural economic climate, particularly by making more jobs available, might have a broader effect than revisions in the farm program, they say, since only one in three farms receives government payments.

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PASADENA, Calif. (AUG. 23) UPI - Engineers carefully maintained contact with the balky Magellan Venus probe Thursday and sifted through computer data to find out what twice threw the craft into hibernation and out of touch with Earth.

Magellan project representative Steve Wall said engineers could not rule out the possibility that whatever caused the spacecraft to turn away from Earth last week and Tuesday might trigger a third loss of signal in the days ahead.

''We have to put together the history of what it did while it was gone away before we can get back to the initial cause,'' Wall said.

Magellan, which dropped into orbit around Venus on Aug. 10, was built to map more than 90 percent of the hidden surface of Earth's sister planet using a high-tech cloud-piercing radar system capable of distinguishing surface features as small as a football field.

Engineers were testing the radar system Aug. 16 when a computer glitch prompted Magellan's electronic brain to put the spacecraft into a protective ''safe mode,'' a computer-induced state of hibernation designed to keep the probe healthy until the problem is resolved.

Magellan was out of contact with Earth when the the event occurred and contact was not restored until the following day.

Engineers were trying to figure out what put the spacecraft into safe mode when Magellan's radio signal faded out again Tuesday.

Alarmed ground controllers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory ultimately radioed emergency commands ''in the blind,'' ordering Magellan to ignore certain aspects of its safe-mode computer programming and to search for Earth.

The orders were received and 21 hours after loss of signal, contact was restored again.

Engineers then began studying the contents of Magellan's computer memory to find out what the spacecraft thought had happened to it. While the cause of the problem was not immediately clear, the results were.

Wall said while Magellan was out of contact Tuesday, the spacecraft's maneuvering rockets burned nearly seven pounds of fuel - a ''tremendous amount'' - and the probe's master computer ''switched back and forth between prime systems and backup systems in various ways nine times.

''It thought something happened to it nine times,'' Wall said.

Following the loss of contact last week, Magellan was left in a protective safe mode. It was still in that mode when something happened Tuesday that caused it to change its orientation in space and to turn its radio antenna away from Earth.

Whatever the reason, Magellan's protective software was not able to function properly and the spacecraft apparently was unable to search for Earth.

To regain contact, engineers radioed emergency commands to Venus that caused Magellan to ignore certain aspects of its on-board programming and to begin rotating in space so its radio beam eventually would sweep across Earth. Once contact was restored Wednesday, the probe's protective software was reloaded.

''It's now safe and it's got its protection back in place,'' Wall said. ''We have some nets under us again. We're right back where we were Friday following the (first) loss.''

Wall said whatever caused Magellan to turn away from Earth Tuesday could happen again. But he said computer programs were ready to make it easier to regain contact and that eventually, engineers will resolve the problem.

Before this week's loss of signal, Magellan project officials had hoped to begin full-time radar mapping around Sept. 1, pending resolution of the problem that caused the first radio black out.

Given the problems this week, it was not clear when the 2 1/2-ton spacecraft will be ready to begin its 243-day mapping mission.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 23) UPI - Zapata Corp. announced three restructuring moves Thursday to stave off a Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing, including an agreement to sell 90 percent of its drilling rig fleet to a European group for $280 million.

The other steps involve restructuring $560 million of senior secured debt and a cash tender offer to holders of $78 million in subordinated debt.

Zapata, based in Houston, operates a fleet of offshore drilling rigs, conducts commercial fishing operations that produce fish meal and edible oil, and produces oil and natural gas.

Zapata also is the largest shareholder in Zapata Marine Corp., the world's leading operator of marine service vessels.

The company is undertaking the extensive restructuring so it can concentrate on the oilfield service fleet and commercial fishmeal segments - areas where it leads the market, said Zapata spokesman Barney White.

Shareholders were informed of the company's plans at a June annual meeting.

Zapata has reached agreements in principle for the first two steps, and considers them ''done deals,'' White said.

Zapata declined to name the European investors trying to raise $280 million to purchase a 90 percent interest in Zapata Offshore. The purchase covers all of the unit's assets, including seven semi-submersible and five jackup rigs.

The bank debt restructuring agreement will reduce Zapata's $560 million in bank indebtedness to $115 million, with the banks receiving at least $160 million cash and 80 percent of the common stock of the company, including shares already owned by the banks.

Because Zapata's senior lenders hold liens on all the company's assets, most proceeds from the rig sale will be used to repay $56.3 million of rig-specific debt, then to restructure the company's senior bank debt, said Zapata Chairman R.C. Lassiter.

Under the third restructuring step, Zapata will try to eliminate its subordinated debt by offering an as-yet undetermined amount for each $1,000 of bonded indebtedness.

The bonds recently have traded at prices between $350 and $480 per $1,000 debenture, including accrued but unpaid interest.

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BONN, West Germany (AUG. 23) UPI - In less than six weeks, East Germany will cease to exist and its territory will be absorbed by the Federal Republic of Germany (FRG), now West Germany.

The East German parliament Thursday formally declared its wish to merge with the republic of its powerful neighbor on Oct. 3, a procedure that is provided for under West Germany's constitution.

The unification of the two Germanys after 45 years of division will increase the FRG's territory by about 50 percent, to 137,837 square miles.

The population of the new Germany will total about 78.7 million.

But before the two states unify, government officials and civil servants will face a race against time to finalize preparations.

These include small details such as the the acquisition of new chairs for the additional 144 deputies who join their 522 colleagues in the FRG's parliament.

The two governments also have to reach agreement on financial and legal aspects, including the controversial abortion issue. Abortion is legal in East Germany but generally illegal in West Germany.

The governments are currently negotiating a treaty over the internal aspects of unification, which is due to be presented for parliamentary ratification in East and West Germany at the end of the month.

If it is rejected, West Germany could unilaterally pass a transitional law instead, an option the major political parties said they would support if necessary.

The two major West German parties, the Christian Democratic Union and the opposition Social Democratic Party, are due to unite with their East German sister parties in late September.

On Sept. 12, the two German foreign ministers meet in Moscow with their counterparts from Britain, France, the United States and the Soviet Union, for what is expected to be the final round of negotiations on the external aspects of unification.

A formal agreement is expected to be presented to the member states of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, held in New York, Oct. 1-2.

The day after the conference, the two German states will formally merge and West German chancellor Helmut Kohl will automatically become the first chancellor of a reunited Germany, as all-German elections will not be held until Dec. 2.

Kohl's main challenger in the Dec. 2 elections will be West German Social Democrat Oskar Lafontaine.

The newly-unified political parties will face their first electoral test on Oct. 14, when East Germans go to the polls to elect regional governments in five states East Germany is due to set up.

After unification, the FRG will consist of a total of 16 federal states, each headed by a prime minister.

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#90235u1203 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 23) UPI - Helmut Kohl is looking at becoming the first chancellor of a reunited Germany in a little more than a month. The West German leader welcomed an East German parliament decision today to unify the two nations on October 3rd, saying it will be- in his words- ''an important day in the history of our people.'' Kohl is expected to make a special parliamentary address later in the day.

NO reason was given for a top-level shake-up at C-B-S. A network spokesman says C-B-S News chief David Burke resigned and his replacement is Eric Ober, president of the network's T-V stations. The change takes effect on September 1st. A published report quotes sources as saying Burke and network officials clashed over budget cuts in the news operation. Burke has been C-B-S news boss since July 1988.

Wheeler-dealer Donald Trump NO longer wants to sell his Trump shuttle, linking New York, Boston and and Washington, D-C. A spokeswoman says the commuter airline went off the market yesterday, the same day Trump wrapped up a 65-Million-dollar bail-out plan with banks. The cash-strapped developer told the Wall Street Journal that he expects the Trump shuttle to be profitable under terms of the deal, which includes deferred interest payments.

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#90235u1212 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
ORLANDO, FL (AUG. 23) UPI - Universal Studios Florida, with three of four blockbuster attractions still not working properly, backed away Thursday from its five million to six million annual attendance projection.

Because of major design and maintenance problems, the park this week closed its Jaws attraction at least until the end of the year for repairs, park President Steven Lew said. "It certainly will have an effect on our attendance. To what extent is unknown at this time," Lew said.

"I can't imagine that that will entice people to come to the studio," said John Rutherford with the Orlando/Orange County Convention and Visitors Bureau. "My feeling is that most people ... are going to wait until it's completely up and running until they spend their money to go in."

Jaws and two other of the park's four movie-inspired blockbuster attractions - Earthquake and Kongfrontation - have not worked consistently since the park's opening June 7. Tuesday, Universal sued Ride & Show Engineering Inc. of San Dimas, Calif., the company that designed and built two of the attractions.

Lew said the failure of Jaws had hurt attendance. "We believe so. Jaws is

one of the all-time box office hits in motion picture history. ... It is one of Universal's most successful properties, and the ride that was to have performed at Universal in Orlando was intended to be one of the key attractions for visitors coming to Universal Studios Florida," he said.

"... It's been up, I would say, almost daily since June 7 but has never operated for a full day without problems," Lew said. Before the park's opening, Lew predicted it would draw from five million to six million in its first 12 months, but on Thursday he said, "I can't predict that."

He said the rising price of gasoline and the cooling of the national economy, two factors which traditionally cut into tourism in central Florida, made attendance impossible to predict.

Tourism is down in central Florida this summer, industry analysts said. However, once Universal gets the two other major attractions working without frequent breakdowns, then park attendance might rebound dramatically.

Universal recently laid off about 40 food service workers, and Lew said more layoffs would come soon, but he said that was due to the end of the summer tourist season.

Lew said consultants hired by Universal would redesign and rebuild Jaws, but he gave no indication of how long that would take or how much it would cost. Park technicians were working on the company's two other crippled blockbuster attractions, he said.

He gave no date but said they should be opened shortly, and once they were he said the park would end its policy of giving all ticket buyers a free pass for a return visit.

The park has been giving away the free $30 tickets since the day after it opened because of guest complaints. Lew would not say how many free passes the park had given away or how many had been redeemed.

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TAIF, Saudi Arabia (AUG. 23) UPI - Kuwait's government-in-exile said Thursday it is ready to bankroll most if not all of the $28 million a day cost of the massive American air, land and sea operation to counter the Iraqi occupation of the emirate.

Kuwait is estimated to have at least $100 billion in various offshore holdings purchased with oil profits. The capital has been frozen to prevent Iraq from seizing it, but analysts believe the emir could underwrite the entire U.S. military effort just with interest earned on

his capital.

The emir of the conquered nation and his Cabinet are now based at a five-star hotel in the Saudi hill resort of Taif, from where they are organizing armed and passive resistance against Baghdad's 170,000-strong occupation force.

Kuwaiti officials reported excessive Iraqi brutality, saying two Kuwaiti palaces are being used as internment camps to hold women and underaged protesters.

They also accused Baghdad's troops of turning off a hospital life support system and killing a ruling family member, Fahd Abdul al Ahmad al Sabah, who had been wounded in the Aug. 2 invasion.

Foreign Minister Saad al Abdullah al Sabah, the crown prince, said Kuwait agreed in principle to pay for the mounting cost of the American military moves in which about 250,000 troops may be deployed against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's armies.

''Without going into financial details, I can affirm very strongly that for the sake of our national sovereignty, and independence and homeland and in order to save our citizens from being persecuted by the Iraqi aggression and occupation, we will do everything,'' Saad said.

''We are willing to sacrifice everything, not only our money, our funds, but our blood ... for the liberation of our country.''

Officials in Washington say the military moves involving a constant airbridge to ferry in men and materiel, and about 50 warships to enforce a blockade, costs about $28 million a day, a figure that will escalate if war breaks out.

Meanwhile, Ali Jaber Ali Sabah, the emir's son-in-law and marketing director of the Kuwaiti petroleum company, said his state-run group would soon begin purchasing 250,000 barrels of crude oil a day from Gulf states and Saudi Arabia for refining at three Kuwaiti-owned facilities in Europe.

Ali also claimed the Iraqis had rigged explosives to major Kuwaiti oil extraction facilities for detonation should they be forced to withdraw.

''But even if they did blow the fields, we would come back on full production within six months,'' he said. ''They are now producing enough (Kuwaiti oil), about 200,000 barrels a day, to feed the power stations and water desalination plants.''

The Kuwaiti officials said they had been housed for 12 days at the Sheraton Hotel in Taif, which would be the likely base of their operations

for the forseeable future.

The emir did not attend the press session held under tight security imposed by Kuwaiti guards, but members of the toppled Cabinet were present.

''I leave it to you to find a place'' for the Kuwaiti government, Prince Saad said, with a vow that it would return home.

''The Kuwaiti government is alive and well. It is functioning properly. It is receiving reports from our brothers inside Kuwait ... from our embassies all over the world,'' he said.

''We discuss all the affairs relating to the welfare of our country,'' said the prince, explaining that the administration government dealt with economic, political and military concerns. ''We are in constant contact with our citizens.''

Ali said the government still ran copperative groups which undertook basic civic administration in Kuwait, collecting trash, delivering vital foods and keeping night patrols to stop lawlessness.

He said Kuwaiti resistance fighting was ongoing, and had led to the slayings of Iraqi taxi drivers who brought in people from Iraq's Basra province on looting expeditions.

Ali also cited a report from a woman who had been detained by the Iraqis, that an unspecified number of females and children were being held in two palaces, one which he identified as the Kuwait City residence of Sheikh Mubarak al Hamad.

''They took in women and children and beat them to hell,'' he said, claiming the Iraqi move was to quell pro-emir street protests. ''Palaces have very high walls, so it is a very good compound.''

Ali said he was ready for war.

''I don't want to see Kuwaitis or Iraqis dead. I don't want to see widows or orphans,'' he said. ''But if it happens, let it be.''

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FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 23) UPI - The Association of Professional Flight Attendants said Thursday it has made a proposal to American Airlines to resolve a dispute over the carrier's weight rules for flight attendants the union claims are discriminatory.

"We hope that the company is willing to resolve this problem in a fair and

equitable manner," said Cheryle Leon, president of the union which represents the 17,000 American Airlines flight attendants who are fighting the weight rules. "We would be happy to end this lawsuit if our members are adequately protected," she said. The APFA has sued American Airlines in a Fort Worth court, saying the weight rules discriminate against older women workers.

Leon said the union met with company officials in Dallas Wednesday to discuss its proposal whose details were not disclosed. She said American informed the union it would not be available for another meeting until Sept. 21. The union's lawsuit is set to go to trial in November of 1991.

Other union officials said they would continue to seek an out-of-court resolution even though their case has been strengthened by the federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission which has filed its own lawsuit in Los Angeles challenging the weight rules.

Leon said the union's position has also received much support from Congress. More than 60 Senators and representatives have written to American Chairman Robert Crandall, expressing concern about the weight policy, she said.

Union Vice President Sherri Capello, who claimed she was fired from her job for being only 12 pounds over the American weight rules, said the dispute goes back to several years.

She said the weight policy is aimed only at flight attendants and no other employees. Under it, the weight limit, based on the flight attendant's height, is set at the time the attendant is hired, she said. "Whatever your weight at the time of hiring is what you have to keep throughout your career. There is no allowance for age," she said.

Capello said the proposal by the union was in reponse to a proposal made by American in May. The details of that proposal also were not disclosed. She said among other major airlines, United has scrapped its weight policy, Continental does not have one, and at othe airlines that do have a weight policy, the rules are far more liberal than American.

"Those allow you to gain weight with age, or have safeguards such as a diet program, or in other cases where an attendant has a medical problem, that person would not be disciplined or terminated but assigned to some other job," she said.

"The American policy is absurd. If your supervisor observes or feels you are overweight, you can be asked to get on a scale. Then every two weeks you will be put on an informal weight check. After that, you have to lose a pound and a half every week over a certain period. If not you are given a disciplinary warning." That warning is followed by suspension and

termination, she said.

"They don't take into consideration any medical problem," Capello said. In her case, Capello said she had returned from a leave of absence. She said she was not given the three chances before being fired.

Capello said the union does not have an accurate count of how many attendants like her have been fired but added she knew of cases where attendants had been suspended for being above the weight limit by a mere two to five pounds. American officials were not immediately available for comment.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 23) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	77.92	77.92	76.72	76.72	78.22
Dec	75.45	75.47	74.32	74.32	75.82
Feb	75.10	75.10	73.90	73.92	75.25
Apr	75.80	75.80	74.85	74.90	75.95
Jun	73.80	73.80	73.05	73.05	74.15
Aug	72.50	72.50	71.30	71.30	72.60
Oct	72.50	72.50	71.50	71.65	72.40

Est. sales 19,019 contracts; Wednesday 14,574; open interest 66,261 off 1,778.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	89.35	89.40	88.60	88.95	89.52
Sep	87.30	87.30	86.10	86.10	87.60
Oct	85.70	85.75	84.65	84.65	86.15
Nov	85.55	85.60	84.35	84.35	85.85
Jan	84.80	85.00	84.07	84.07	85.57
Mar	83.40	83.40	82.60	82.60	83.80
Apr	82.95	82.95	81.90	81.95	83.10
May	82.30	82.30	81.60	81.60	82.30

Est. sales 2,018 contracts; Wednesday 1,525; open interest 12,202 up 113.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	48.00	48.85	47.62	48.42	48.55
Dec	49.30	49.92	48.70	49.57	49.62
Feb	47.40	47.97	46.75	47.37	47.67
Apr	43.85	44.60	43.60	44.30	44.10
Jun	48.40	48.80	47.70	48.47	48.42
Jly	48.50	48.85	48.30	48.82	48.70
Aug	....	47.30	46.90	47.30	47.30
Oct	....	43.30	42.90	43.30	43.30

Est. sales 8,128 contracts; Wednesday 7,354; open interest 28,539 off 243.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	43.72	43.72	43.72	43.72	45.72
Feb	53.70	53.70	52.10	52.10	54.10
Mar	53.35	53.50	52.00	52.00	54.00
May	53.50	53.80	52.70	52.70	54.70
Jly	53.80	54.50	53.02	53.02	54.60

Est. sales 3,202 contracts; Wednesday 2,998; open interest 5,898 off 118.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut- out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from

previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 121.79 down 16 cents, 700-850 lbs.21.34 down 22 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 15.54 down 15 cents, 700-850 lbs. 115.51 down 21 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow to moderate; demand light; fresh pork loins and Boston butts steady-weak in a light test; skinned hams generally steady to weak; seedless bellies steady-3.00 lower; loins 14-18 lbs. 104.00-109.50; butts 4-8 lbs. 88.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 90.00, 20-26 lbs. 89.00-90.00, 32 lbs. and up 81.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 39.00-40.00, 12-14 lbs. 40.00-42.00, 14-16 lbs. 40.00-43.00, 16-18 lbs. 39.00-39.50, 18-20 lbs. 40.00.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Morgan Keegan (4th Q 7-31)	
$23,469,000	$24,367,000
$807,000 (.17)	$1,351,000 (.27)
National-Standard (3rd Q 6-30)	
$65,279,000	$76,461,000
d-$6,309,000	d-$6,269,000
d-Deficit.	
Neutrogena Corp (3rd Q 6-30)	
$52,213,000	$47,604,000
$4,002,000 (.15)	$6,334,000 (.24)
Triton Energy (4th Q 5-31)	
$67,621,000	$79,762,000
d-$35,045,000	$2,156,000 (.05)
d-Deficit, after writedown of assets of $31,147,000.	
VSE Corp (2nd Q)	
$25,106,000	$25,805,000
$561,000 (.32)	$27,000 (.01)

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(AUG. 23) UPI - In an apparently relentless climb, oil prices moved up sharply in early trading Thursday, with gasoline up more than 5 cents a

gallon as markets focused on Iraq's deadline for evacuating Western embassies in occupied Kuwait.

Markets continued to bid prices up on sentiment the United States and Iraq are headed toward a military confrontation over the embassies in Kuwait, isolated since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion.

''That's what is being written into prices,'' said Tom Bentz, trading director at United Energy Inc. in New York.

''The fact that the market blew through the $30 a-barrel level Wednesday gave rise to the feeling that prices have much higher to go,'' Bentz said.

''If there's any kind of military conflict, prices could go to $40 or $50 a barrel,'' the trader said.

In early-afternoon trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange, unleaded gasoline for September delivery surged 5.14 cents over Wednesday to $1.0925 a gallon.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery was up 68 cents over Wednesday to $31.90 a barrel. It had hit a 57-month high of $31.22 a barrel Wednesday, the highest Merc closing price since the $31.72 of Nov. 20, 1985.

WTI traded as high as $32.35 a barrel, equaling the Merc's all-time high reached on Aug. 2, 1983, said Peter Gignoux of Shearson Lehman Hutton's office in London.

''The market is positioning itself in case hostilities occur. Part of the market believes hostilities are inevitable,'' Gignoux said.

Home heating oil soared 4.25 cents to 95.60 cents a gallon.

Peter Beutel, vice president of Merrill Lynch Futures Inc. in New York, said a fire at a Shell Oil Co. refinery in Deer Park, Texas, also was a factor in the rise of gasoline prices given that U.S. refineries are currently operating near capacity.

''It was a combination of the refinery problem in Texas and the fact that Iraq's Friday deadline for closing embassies in Kuwait could lead to violence,'' Beutel said.

Citing a ''very, very accurate'' source in Iraq, ABC television said ''starting tomorrow morning, all the foreign embassies in Kuwait will be surrounded by Iraqi troops,'' if diplomats do not heed a Friday deadline to close their offices and transfer to Baghdad.

''The embassies will be closed. They will not allow anyone to leave the embassies or to go into the embassies,'' said the report, adding it was not clear whether the troops would prevent food from going in.

Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney said Thursday morning the United States was prepared to fight if provoked.

Shell said a 10:00 a.m. EDT fire at its 225,000 barrel-a-day, Deer Park refinery near Houston had temporarily knocked out a 165,000 barrels-a-day distillation unit.

''The fire is contained and being brought under control,'' a spokesman said. He could not say how much of the refinery's output had been affected.

Two workers had been injured, one seriously enough to be flown to a hospital in Houston, he said.

On the European cash market, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - was up 25 cents at midday to $29.90 a barrel. It had shot up $3.30 a barrel Wednesday.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent has gained 40 cents to $31.95 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast cash market, prompt delivery WTI had added 75 cents over Wednesday to $31.75 a barrel.

In Tokyo, crude-oil prices soared above $30 a barrel for the first time in nearly eight years, propelled by tensions in the Middle East.

The price for the benchmark Dubai crude for delivery in October was the highest level on the Tokyo cash market since Nov. 9, 1982, traders said.

Saudi Arabia also told Japanese oil companies the Saudis were ready to increase their crude oil exports to make up for the loss resulting from the U.N. embargo of Kuwaiti and Iraqi exports if the Japanese companies desire, Japanese industry officials said.

In Vienna, the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries announced that cartel oil minister will hold emergency talks as early as this weekend to try to compensate for the 4 million barrels daily lost worldwide through the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo.

On Monday, OPEC rejected a proposal by Saudi Arabia for a full meeting of the cartel on the grounds that a majority of seven members did not support such a conference.

U.S. industry sources said the OPEC talks will probably be limited to the members supporting an increase.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 23) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.82 1/4	2.85	2.82 1/4	2.83	2.82 1/4
Dec	2.96	2.99 1/2	2.96	2.98 1/2	2.96
Mar	3.07	3.10	3.06 3/4	3.08 1/2	3.06
May	3.12	3.15	3.11 1/2	3.14	3.09 3/4
Jly	3.15	3.18 1/2	3.14	3.18 1/2	3.14
Sep	3.18 1/2	3.22	3.18 1/2	3.22	3.19
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.55	2.60	2.55	2.59	2.53 3/4
Dec	2.46 3/4	2.51 1/4	2.45 3/4	2.50 3/4	2.45 3/4
Mar	2.55 1/4	2.61	2.54 1/4	2.58 3/4	2.54 1/4
May	2.61 1/4	2.66	2.60 3/4	2.66	2.60 1/4
Jly	2.64 1/2	2.69	2.64	2.69	2.63 1/4
Sep	2.61	2.63 1/2	2.60	2.62 1/2	2.58 1/2
Dec	2.59 3/4	2.61	2.57 3/4	2.61	2.57 3/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.17 1/4	1.19 1/2	1.17	1.19 1/4	1.16 3/4
Dec	1.29 1/2	1.31 1/2	1.29	1.31 1/2	1.28 1/2
Mar	1.40	1.42	1.40	1.42	1.39 1/2
May	1.45 1/2	1.47	1.45 1/2	1.47	1.44 1/2
Jly	1.49 1/2	1.51 1/2	1.49 1/2	1.51 1/4	1.49
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	6.18 1/2	6.29	6.18 1/2	6.28	6.15 1/4
Nov	6.33	6.43	6.32 1/2	6.41 1/2	6.16 1/4
Jan	6.46	6.55 1/2	6.44 1/2	6.54 1/2	6.29 1/4
Mar	6.59	6.69 1/2	6.57 1/2	6.67 1/4	6.41 1/2
May	6.65	6.77	6.65	6.74 1/2	6.54 1/2
Jly	6.72 1/2	6.82	6.71 1/2	6.80 3/4	6.61
Aug	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.67 1/4
Nov	6.38	6.44	6.36	6.43 3/4	6.43
Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Sep	24.90	25.30	24.65	25.19	24.70
Oct	24.95	25.35	24.60	25.09	24.65

Dec	25.14	25.55	24.75	25.31	24.70
Jan	25.20	25.55	24.90	25.36	24.89
Mar	25.25	25.61	25.05	25.41	24.96
May	25.30	25.55	25.20	25.44	25.01
Jly	25.60	25.60	25.20	25.47	25.10
Aug	25.20	25.20	25.20	25.15	25.12
Sep	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.75

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	178.00	180.90	177.60	180.40	176.90
Oct	180.00	182.80	179.70	182.50	177.30
Dec	183.30	186.90	183.20	186.70	178.80
Jan	185.50	188.80	185.00	188.80	182.70
Mar	188.20	191.30	187.50	181.30	184.30
May	189.00	193.00	189.00	193.00	186.70
Jly	190.90	193.60	190.90	193.60	187.70
Aug	190.00	192.00	190.00	192.00	189.60

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DETROIT (AUG. 23) UPI - The nation's automakers reported Thursday a 4.7 percent slide in sales of domestically built cars and trucks during mid-August, but industry analysts attributed the decline more to comparisons with robust year-ago levels than to consumer concerns over the Persian Gulf crisis.

"Most of the decline was predictable because of the extraordinary level of sales and buyer incentives a year ago," said Joel Pitcoff, a sales analyst with Ford Motor Co. "Only a small percent is attributable to Mideast tensions, apprehensions about the economy, and higher oil prices."

But sales during the first full ten-day period since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait were dramatically lower in many areas near military bases. "It's drastic," said Fairley Davis, business manager of Sanders Ford, near Camp Lejeune in Jacksonville, N.C. "We're 70 percent military business and we're probably off by about 50 percent."

Many military wives and husbands were left behind by the exodus of Marines Davis said. "They'll buy food and clothes, but whoever was left behind won't make a major purchase unless it is an emergency."

"Sales are down," said Chip Goodwin, business manager of Alley Auto World, a Volkswagen and Mazda dealer in Fayetteville, N.C. "We feel it was directly related to the troop movement out of Fort Bragg. It's been sporadic. It's been a definite decline with military traffic in the last two weeks."

"Our sales look like they're down about half for this month so far," said Howard Griffin, of J&C Chrysler-Plymouth-Dodge in Hinesville, Ga., near Fort Stewart.

Sales plummeted 50 percent since the Army's 24th Mechanized Infantry Division began deployment two weeks ago, Griffin said. "I've never gone through anything quite like this before."

"It has been devastating for dealers in those areas," conceded Ford's Pitcoff. "When people go on alert, it doesn't exactly enhance the mood to buy, and that spills over into the local economy. The guy who runs a restaurant or a movie theater doesn't feel much like buying either." But industry observers say there has been no dramatic shift toward smaller, fuel-efficient cars so far.

In fact, both General Motors Corp. and Ford posted year-to-year gains in light truck sales, indicating buyers may not be that concerned with rising fuel prices. Industry data suggests that the bulk of light trucks, which are less fuel efficient than cars, are purchased for pleasure or private use.

Total U.S. light truck sales during mid-August rose 5.1 percent. But sales of domestically built cars alone during the period skidded ten percent from a year ago. The annual sales rate for domestically built cars - the most common measure of industry performance - was 6.7 million cars, vs. 7.7 million last year.

The nine companies, which also include Chrysler Corp., American Honda Motor Co., Nissan Motor Manufacturing U.S.A., Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., Mazda Motor Manufacturing (USA) Corp., Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc. and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc. (SIA), reported combined sales of 160,633 cars and 100,756 trucks in the United States during the latest period. This compares with 178,414 cars and 95,906 trucks sold in the year-ago period.

The daily selling rate of 32,674 vehicles compares with 34,290 vehicles per day for the same period last year. There were eight selling days this year, the same as in the year ago period.

So far in 1990, the firms have sold 4.48 million cars, down five percent from the nearly 4.7 million units sold in the comparable 1989 period when measured by sales per day. Light truck sales were nearly 2.68 million units, down 1.3 percent from nearly 2.7 million trucks sold during the same period a year ago.

During the month, sales of GM's domestically made cars fell 10.2 percent, while its truck sales rose 1.3 percent from year-ago lebels. Second-ranked Ford posted a 22.9 percent slide in car sales but a 19.4 percent gain in truck sales, partly due to its new Explorer sport utility vehicle.

Chrysler's car sales dropped 27.3 percent, while its light truck sales including minivans fell 9.5 percent when compared with the combined total a year ago.

Among the smaller companies reporting sales of U.S.-built cars, Honda posted a 26.5 percent gain. Toyota's sales rose 65.7 percent from relatively low production volumes a year ago.

Nissan reported a 4 percent gain in sales of its U.S.-built cars, while its domestically made compact truck sales slipped 3.5 percent from low year-ago levels.

Mazda sold 2,660 cars produced at its Flat Rock, Mich., assembly plant, vs. 942 a year ago. Mitsubishi reported sales of 1,120 cars built at its joint venture plant with Chrysler in Illinois, vs. 906 a year ago. SIA reported sales of 643 cars and 302 trucks built at its new joint venture plant in Lafayette, Ind.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 23) UPI - Health officials predicted Thursday that polio will be wiped out in the Western Hemisphere this year, 35 years after the famous Salk vaccine began a dramatic battle against the crippling childhood disease.

The incidence of the potentially deadly viral disease has steadily declined in South America and North America since the polio vaccine was introduced in the 1950s, the federal Centers for Disease Control said.

In 1990, only four new cases have been discovered in the hemisphere, said Dr. Ciro de Quadros, author of the CDC report and regional advisor to a Pan American Health Organization project launched in 1986 to wipe out the disease.

''We are cautiously optimistic, but all indications are that we are going to totally eradicate this virus in the next few months,'' Quadros said. ''It will be a major success story like the eradication of smallpox, one of the only diseases so far that man has been able to eradicate.''

Quadros said the four cases of polio reported this year were in northern Mexico, Ecuador and Peru.

No cases of the disease have been reported since the 1970s in the United States, where some 600,000 people suffered its paralyzing effects before the introduction of an injectable vaccine by Dr. Jonas Salk in 1955 and an oral vaccine by Dr. Albert Sabin several years later.

The CDC report said in the Western Hemisphere, which includes the South and North American continents and surrounding islands, 130 new cases were reported in 1989, an 86 percent decline from the 930 cases reported in 1986.

In 1988, 340 cases were reported in the hemisphere.

All of the cases since 1988 have been confined to 99 of the 14,372 counties of Latin America, where widespread use of the polio vaccine got off to a slower start than in the United States, Quadros said.

He attributed the dramatic drop in cases between 1989 and this year in the hemisphere to an ''all-out war declared against the disease,'' in which officials launched a heavy vaccination program in the areas where infection was present.

Progress in eliminating the disease also has been slowed in Latin America, compared to the United States and Canada, because of unsanitary living conditions and lack of cooperation by governments, he said.

The last outbreak in the United States occurred in the late 1970s in an Amish community of Pennsylvania, where the population went against a tradition of rejecting modern medicine and agreed to be vaccinated.

Of the 600,000 people in the United States afflicted with polio this century, about 10 percent died. There are an estimated 300,000 people in the United States still living with the disease.

The disease still afflicts an estimated 250,000 to 300,000 people a year in the Eastern Hemisphere. The World Health Organization is aiming to eradicate polio globally by 2000, the CDC report said.

The vast majority of cases occur in children under age 5.

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CAIRO (AUG. 23) UPI - Egypt hiked its crude oil export prices Thursday $4 a barrel across the board, the fourth increase since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait sent oil markets into a frenzy and the second hike in four days.

Egyptian General Petroleum Corp. had announced a $2.25-a-barrel increase Monday. It had previously raised prices in $1.25 and $4 increments. The latest $4 increase brings the total rise since the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait to $11.50 a barrel.

The Egyptian agency said prices for the premium Zeit Bay-Ras el Bahar and Gulf of Suez blends were now $30.80 and $30.50 a barrel, respectively.

The medium Balaim and Ras Badran crudes rose to $29.65 and $28.50 a barrel respectively, EGPC said, and the heavy Ras Ghareb will sell for $28.20 a barrel.

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DETROIT (AUG. 23) UPI - Following are the ten-day sales figures for car and light-duty trucks among the nation's domestic automakers:

AUG. 11-20 - U.S. CAR SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Yr ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	70,097	78,013	off 10.2 pc
Ford	42,406	55,020	off 22.9 pc
Chrysler	17,811	24,490	off 27.3 pc
Honda	12,323	9,732	up 26.5 pc
Nissan	3,129	3,011	up 4.0 pc
Toyota	10,444	6,300	up 65.7 pc
Mazda	2,660	942	up 182.2 pc
Mitsubishi	1,120	906	up 23.9 pc
SIA	643	--	
Total	160,633	178,414	off 10.0 pc

AUG. 11-20 - U.S. LIGHT TRUCK SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Yr ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	43,177	42,618	up 1.3 pc
Ford	36,512	30,594	up 19.4 pc
Chrysler	17,069	18,862	off 9.5 pc
Nissan	3,696	3,832	off 3.5 pc
SIA	302	---	
Total	100,756	95,906	up 5.1 pc

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Gold futures closed 100 to 190 points higher Thursday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	413.00	413.00	411.50	412.00	411.00
Sep	415.00	417.00	412.90	412.90	411.90

Oct	419.20	420.20	412.00	415.30	414.30
Dec	424.20	425.00	417.00	420.30	419.30
Feb	429.50	429.50	422.00	424.70	423.60
Apr	432.50	432.80	427.00	429.00	427.80
Jun	436.00	437.00	433.70	433.70	432.30
Aug	441.60	....	....	438.10	436.60
Oct	446.40	....	....	443.10	441.40
Dec	451.30	....	....	448.10	446.30
Feb	456.50	....	....	453.40	451.60
Apr	461.60	....	....	458.50	456.60

Open interest: 132,758 off 31

Estimated sales: 60,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

London		
Gold		
Previous close fix	410.50	off 3.50
Morning fixing	415.70	up 5.20
Afternoon fixing	412.40	up 1.90
Close	413.75	up 3.25
Paris	417.97	up 5.55
Zurich	412.50	up 2.50
Hong Kong	415.25	up 6.00
New York		
Comex spot close	412.00	up 1.00
Republic cash	411.25	up 0.50
Handy and Harman	412.40	up 3.65

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 413.75 up 3.66 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 434.44 up 3.85 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	5.126	off 0.003
Republic cash	5.135	off 0.01

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 5.125 per fine ounce up 0.015

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 5.13 off 0.02 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.489 off 0.022

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 506.50 up 4.00

per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 606.50 up 4.00.
Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 118.00 unchanged per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 133.00 unchanged.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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(AUG. 23) UPI - Britain is sending additional forces to the Persian Gulf, saying it hopes to deter further aggression by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein . Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd says London is beefing up its contribution to a multi-national defensive effort, partly due to concern about foreigners taken hostage by Iraq. London says it is sending a third squadron of warplanes to the gulf... and additional troops armed with surface-to-air missiles may also be deployed.

President Bush is NOT the only White House official taking a vacation during the crisis in the Persian Gulf. Apparently others in his administration are taking their boss seriously when he said he hopes Americans will continue to ''recreate.'' Vice President Quayle also is on break- taking a three-week vacation in Arizona. And, Secretary of State Baker is at his ranch in Wyoming.

A showdown may be brewing among Southern Baptists. About 25-hundred church moderates want to counter growing control of the Southern Baptist Convention by the denomination's fundamentalist branch. The moderate began a three-day meeting today in Atlanta, led by the Reverend Daniel Vestal. He lost a bid to be president of the Southern Baptist Convention to a fundamentalist in June.

Strong sales of aircraft and parts sent total orders for durable goods up nearly three percent in July, to 128-point-three-BILLION dollars. The news surprised some private analysts expecting only a three-tenths of one percent rise in orders for goods made to last three years or more. Boston Company economist Allen Sinai calls the government report a ''flash in the pan'' that likely will NOT last as the U-S economy slips intoq nur

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MILES CITY, Mont. (AUG. 23) UPI - Firefighters called for reinforcements Thursday to battle a 4,000-acre blaze in rolling hills of ponderosa pine in eastern Montana.

About 200 firefighters, including area ranchers, battled the smoky blaze Thursday morning, said Jerry Chapman, forestry management officer for the Bureau of Land Management in Miles City. Their number would exceed 350 by the end of the day, he said.

The blaze began as four separate fires triggered by lightning Tuesday night. They merged Wednesday night into a single blaze that is the largest fire in Montana so far this year.

The blaze grew quickly to more than 4,000 acres Thursday because ''it's extremely dry over here,'' Chapman said. ''The timber is still in a drought situation.''

More dry thunderstorms and erratic winds were forecast for Thursday and Friday, and officials could not estimate when the fires would be contained.

Firefighters also battled a smaller 500-acre lightning-caused timber fire closer to Miles City.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - Yields for 52-week T-bills increased to 7.40 percent at Thursday's monthly auction, the highest since 7.52 percent June 28, the Treasury Department said.

The government said it sold about $10.52 billion worth of the bills, and that the average investment rate was 7.95 percent at a price of $9,251.80 per $10,000 face value. At the last auction July 26, the bills yielded 7.34 percent.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - Led by the Japanese, foreign investors greatly expanded both their operations and number of employees in the United States in 1988, mainly by purchasing American businesses, a government report released this week said.

Employment by non-bank U.S. affiliates of foreign investors rose 458,000, or 14 percent, during 1988, to 3.7 million, after a ten percent increase in 1987, according to the Commerce Department's Bureau of Economic Analysis. By the bureau's definition, a U.S. affiliate is a company in which foreign investors control at least ten percent of the voting securities.

The share of all U.S. non-bank business employment accounted for by these affiliates in 1988 was 4.1 percent, up from 3.7 percent in 1987, said

bureaueconomist Ned G. Howenstine in the Commerce Department's latest "Survey of Current Business."

He noted, however, that because most of the increase reflected acquisitions of U.S. businesses by foreigners, the numbers probably did not represent an increase in total employment.

By industry, the largest expansion in affiliate employment occurred in manufacturing, with 220,000, followed by retailing, with 123,000. Total assets of non-bank affiliate companies were $1.147 trillion, up $204 billion in 1988. By industry, the largest 1988 increases were in: non-bank finance, $65 billion; manufacturing, $58 billion; and insurance, $30 billion.

For manufacturing as a whole, affiliates' share of total assets reached 14.7 percent in 1988, up from 13.2 percent in 1987, figures substantially higher than those for employment, as affiliates were concentrated in capital-intensive industries and assets were revalued before their purchase by foreign interests, Howenstine said.

By country, affiliates of Japanese investors had by far the largest asset increase in 1988 with $74 billion, distantly followed by affiliates of British investors with $35 billion.

Sales by U.S. affiliates of foreign investors increased in 1988 by $109 billion to $853 billion. Net income of the affiliates increased by $4 billion to $12 billion, mainly due to a shift to capital gains from capital losses, the bureau report said.

U.S. merchandise exports shipped by affiliates of foreign investors increased in 1988 by $12 billion to $60 billion, and U.S. imports shipped to affiliates rose by $6 billion to $150 billion, the BEA economist said. Affiliate exports accounted for 19 percent of total U.S. merchandise exports, while affiliate imports represented 33 percent of total U.S. imports of goods.

Broken down by industry, substantial increases in affiliates' exports occurred in wholesale trade - particularly in machinery and farm products - and in manufacturing, mainly in chemicals and machinery production, Howenstine said. The increase in imports was primarily in machinery wholesale trade.

Affiliates of Japanese investors accounted in 1988 for more than one-third of the increase in affiliates' merchandise exports and for more than one-half of the increase in imports.

Affiliates of Japanese investors accounted for $24.5 billion of U.S. merchandise exports in 1988 - 41 percent of total U.S. exports shipped by

affiliates and exceeding the exports of all U.S. affiliates of European investors for that year. Similarly, affiliates of Japanese investors imported $75.9 billion, or 51 percent of all U.S. merchandise imports shipped to affiliates.

According to the bureau's data, non-banking affiliates of British companies had in 1988 the largest employment in the nation with 734,800, closely followed by affiliates of Canadian companies with 714,600. U.S. affiliates of Japanese investors had 401,000, while those of West German investors employed 376,700.

By state, California had the largest number of employees working for U.S. affiliates of foreign investors, with 334,900 in 1987, the most recent year for which data had been compiled. In second place was New York with 302,800, followed by Texas with 210,100.

The bureau noted that non-bank, majority-owned U.S. affiliates of foreign investors accounted for 73 percent of the total assets and 82 percent of the employment of all non-bank U.S. affiliates.

The majority-owned affiliates' share of U.S. non-bank businesses' employment was 3.4 percent, compared with the 4.1 percent for all U.S. affiliates of foreign investors.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - Authorities suspect that a man held in an Alaska jail killed at least seven people in coin shop robberies around the country. James Thurman Sinclair is fighting extradition to Montana on charges he killed a Billings coin shop owner and employee by shooting them in the head with a small-caliber handgun this month. Sinclair also is suspected of slayings in Spokane, Washington... Kansas City, Missouri... Vacaville, California... and Vancouver, British Columbia.

Thousands of people jammed streets in Karachi, Pakistan, to welcome the leader of the country's Mohajir ethnic group. The charismatic leader, Altar Hussain, arrived after a night of violence left 28 people dead. Hussain warned Pakistan's caretaker government against inciting ethnic fighting in a bid to delay elections. Hussain's party represents Moslems who emigrated from India in 1947 and became laborers, gradually forming a lower middle class in Pakistan.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - Embassy personnel streamed out of Kuwait Thursday as Saddam Hussein's deadline neared for all foreign missions to shut down in

the invaded emirate, but many nations insisted they would stand their ground in the face of the Iraqi president's order.

Saddam directed all foreign governments to close their embassies and recall their staff by Friday from the oil-rich, Persian Gulf nation overrun by Iraq Aug. 2.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said he did not know how many of the 62 embassies in Kuwait would remain.

''Most all of the countries have indicated they would stay open,'' he said. ''The great majority of the nations have indicated they intend to stay open in compliance with the U.N. resolution which said the annexation of Kuwait is illegal and the embassies have every right to remain.''

Some nations were withdrawing ''non-essential'' embassy personnel, but declared they would keep skeleton embassy staffs in their precarious posts. Western ambassadors planned to gather at one location to better defend themselves if Iraq used force to close the embassies.

Fitzwater said the ambassador and an ''essential small staff'' would stay at the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait. He added that an unspecified number of non-essential personnel was en route to Baghdad, where U.S. officials ''are working on their exit.''

ABC television cited a ''very, very accurate'' source in Iraq as saying ''starting tomorrow (Friday) morning, all the foreign embassies in Kuwait will be surrounded by Iraqi troops,'' if diplomats do not heed the deadline.

''The embassies will be closed. They will not allow anyone to leave the embassies or to go into the embassies,'' said the report, adding it was not clear whether the troops would prevent food from going in.

Japanese public television reported Iraqi troops surrounded the Japanese Embassy in Kuwait Wednesday.

Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney said Thursday that the United States was prepared to fight if provoked.

''If in fact there is provocation, he (Saddam) would launch an attack on upon the United States or U.S. forces in the area, we clearly have a wide range of responses available,'' Cheney said. ''The president will make the decision on how we respond.

''I think it would be a mistake for Saddam Hussein to try to close down all those embassies in Kuwait, but he's done foolish things before.''

Dutch Prime Minister Ruud Lubbers said his ambassador would stay in Kuwait. ''We do not want to bow to threats from Saddam Hussein,'' Lubbers said.

India expressed its opposition to the presence of foreign troops in the gulf region and announced it will close its embassy in Kuwait, becoming the first country to agree with Iraq's call.

Japan's Foreign Ministry announced most Japanese citizens in Kuwait had flown to Baghdad by Thursday. Japan reiterated, however, it would keep the embassy open.

Iraq, which has offered to release Japanese citizens held in Iraq and Kuwait, has played on Japan's inclination to avoid conflict and its historical willingness to negotiate the release of Japanese hostages.

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#90235u1374 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AUG. 23) UPI - Police Thursday rushed reinforcements into black townships ravaged by 11 days of inter-tribal strife that left nearly 530 dead, and President Frederik de Klerk announced other measures would be imposed in an effort to halt the slaughter.

As scattered clashes continued, African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela repeated his accusation that police have failed to implement ''immediate remedies'' that could put an end to the fighting. He also said there was a possibility he may meet Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi for the first time since the conflict erupted.

''This is a question we are addressing,'' Mandela said when asked whether he would meet Buthelezi. ''I think the normalization of the situation makes everything possible.'' But he added it was ''too early'' to say the situation was calming down.

De Klerk, speaking at the University of Potchefstroom southwest of Johannesburg, condemned the violence and said measures to deal with the crisis would be put in place Friday.

State-run radio said efforts to control the proliferation of weapons among the combatants were among the steps to be disclosed by the Law and Order Ministry.

In advance of Friday's announcement, a spokeswoman for police forces in townships west of Johannesburg said ''large numbers of police'' would be deployed Thursday night in hard-hit Kagiso, where at least 34 have died in three days.

Lt. Henriette Baker said barbed wire fences also would be erected to separate migrant Zulu workers living in Kagiso's main hostel from the permanent residents of the township, many of them Xhosas and supporters of the ANC.

Mandela briefed the ambassadors of Italy and Ireland Thursday on the violence and told reporters outside his Soweto home that resolving the urban war was ''a matter of grave concern to us.''

Police put the death toll at 528 in the last 11 days in townships surrounding Johannesburg, after two more deaths occurred in Kagiso and four were killed in the townships of Kathlehong, Thembisa and Vosloorus east of Johannesburg.

The ANC announced Wednesday that a special commission had been formed to initiate ''high-level'' talks with Buthelezi's Inkatha movement, which it has previously accused of stirring the internecine strife to increase its bargaining position in looming power-sharing talks with the white minority government.

The announcement signaled an about-face in ANC policy, after the movement had previously discounted any direct meeting between Mandela and the Zulu chief.

Fighting between ANC supporters, many of them Xhosas, and Zulus did appear to ease Thursday, but sporadic clashes were reported. In Kagiso, police opened fire on hundreds of residents after at least two rocks and a petrol bomb were thrown into the ranks of lawmen.

The petrol bomb did not explode, witnessess said.

Hundreds of unarmed township residents and ANC supporters had gathered atop a dusty mine dump, protesting the alleged failure of police to protect them from roaving mobs of migrant Zulus.

Police on a road along the base of the hill guarded the residents, then two stones and the petrol bomb were hurled at the police. The crowd, sensing a police response, fled, but police charged up the slope after them.

Witnesses watched police aim directly at the backs of the fleeing residents and open fire. Several people were wounded, their backs and legs peppered with buckshot.

The 72-year-old Mandela, who departs Saturday on a four-day trip to Norway Algeria and Libya followed by a tour of South Africa's Cape Province and a week's vacation, said it was unclear why a ''strong, efficient, and

well-equipped army and police force'' was unable to halt the fighting.

The ANC has consistently accused elements in the police force of siding with Inkatha in the conflict and of failing to disarm Zulus armed with axes, spears and clubs living in hostels in the townships surrounding Johannesburg where the clashes have erupted.

''We are very critical of the way the government is handling the matter because there are immediate remedies which they could take,'' Mandela said. ''This trouble comes from the hostels and all that is necessary is that the government should guard at the hostels.

''If they did that successfully, there would be no carnage at all. But the government refuses to do this and you can read between the lines for that refusal alone.''

Law and Order Ministry spokesman Brig. Leon Mellet said Thursday ''scores'' of people had been arrested in connection with the conflict but was unable to give a precise figure. He denied the repeated allegations of police favoring Inkatha in the conflict and said mass arrests simply were not possible given the nature of the fighting.

''Can you imagine sending 10 policemen into a group of 1,000 and say 'okay take their weapons away,''' Mellet said. ''We have to take care of our own men too. You must look at this thing realistically. This is not a peaceful protest, this is a bloody war between two groups.

''We have a limited number of men on the ground. We are trying our best to keep these groups apart,'' he said. ''Police are in the middle of this.''

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#90235u1379 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - In legal circles the concept is known as the ''escalator principle,'' the test employers must meet in reinstating troops and reservists who have served their country in times of war or crisis.

On Wednesday, President Bush signed an executive order that will allow the Pentagon to call up reservists to assist in the U.S. military action in the Middle East.

Labor lawyers say reservists can take heart in the 1946 Supreme Court decision that says that anyone called by their government for military services ''does not step back on the seniority escalator at the point he stepped off. He steps back on at the precise point he would have occupied had he kept his position continuously during the war.''

What follows are questions and answers about the call-up. Responses were provided by Kathleen KcKenna, an employment lawyer with the New York firm Proskauer Rose Goetz & Mendelsohn.

Q. Upon discharge from the service, can I get back my job?

A. Your position is preserved, though the company can place you in a different job as long as the position is similar in salary and benefits to the one you left.

Q. Is my employer forced to continue my health benefits while I'm gone?

A. No. But the Veterans Reemployment Act requires employers to offer you the same benefits received by other employees who get leaves of absence.

Q. Do I continue to accrue vacation benefits and seniority while I'm gone?

A. Yes.

Q. Is the employer required to pay for lost wages?

A. No, but several companies have offered to supplement salaries of reservists.

Q. Can my employment be terminated for any reason upon my return?

A. Employment cannot be terminated within one year of return unless the employer can show ''cause,'' such as failure to perform work duties.

Q. If the employer makes staff reductions while I'm gone, would I be exempt?

A. Not necessarily. An employer could terminate your employment but would have to prove that your position would have been terminated regardless of your absence. The burden of proof is on the employer.

Q. If I volunteer for reserve action, do I receive the same benefits as those who are called?

A. Yes.

Q. Could my employer transfer me upon my return?

A. Yes, as long as the employer can prove that the position - not the individual - was transferred.

Q. How long is an employer obligated to protect my employment?

A. Indefintely.

Q. Are small firms exempt from these provisions?

A. No.

Q. Must I return to my job immediately following discharge from service?

A. You have up to 90 days to apply for reinstatement with your employer. However, employers are obligated to reinstate you immediately following discharge.

A. What legal rights do I have if my employer refuses to reinstate me?

Q. You can request assistance from the Justice Department, which may bring legal action for reinstatement and lost wages.

Q. Is my family protected against foreclosure if I or my spouse is unable to make payments?

A. Yes. The Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 suspends the enforcement of civil liability of those in active military duty.

Q. Can any properties be repossessed during my absence?

A. No.

Q. What about other legal obligations, like alimony or child support payments?

A. Although federal law is not specific, case law suggests that alimiony obligations cannot be enforced. Child support may be enforced, depending on your ability to pay.

Q. If I am unable to pay my rent, can a landlord evict me or my family?

A. No.

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#90235u1412 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 23) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Sharply lower in moderate trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Sharply lower in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed sharply lower in moderate trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Slightly higher.

Cotton - Moslty higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 3 1/4 to 5 3/4, soybeans up 9 1/2 to 13 1/2, wheat up 3/4 to 4 1/2 and oats up 2 1/4 to 3.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $25 to $33 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.75 cent to 3.45 cents a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.35 to 1.25 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.30 cent higher to 0.20 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.00 to $1.90 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.10 an ounce higher across the broad for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.75 cent to 2.65 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 0.1 cent higher to 0.5 cent an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.021 to 0.029 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90235u1426 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - The Pentagon today said nearly 50-thousand reservists could be called up by the end of September as part of the Middle East build-up. Almost 10-thousand reservists will get their orders by the end of this month. A Pentagon spokesman said the majority of those called will be Army reservists... most of whom are likely to go to Saudi Arabia.

OPEC today announced that it will meet to try to find a solution to the oil embargo against Iraq and Kuwait. A cartel spokesman said informal talks could come as soon as this weekend in Vienna. Saudi Arabia has threatened to increase its oil production unilaterally unless OPEC acts to make up for the oil shortfall.

The Soviet republic of Armenia today declared independence... and claimed control of the disputed territory of Nagorno-Karabakh . The Armenian Parliament did NOT secede from the Soviet Union... but said it could establish its own relations with other countries and seek membership in the United Nations.

Black South African leader Nelson Mandela will leave on Saturday on a trip to Norway, Algeria and Libya. This is the seventh foreign trip for Mandela since he was freed from prison six months ago. A spokeswoman says the fighting between black groups that has killed 500 people will NOT interfere with the trip.

The government says a horse it thought belonged to drug traffickers actually belongs to a central Florida breeder. It has agreed to return the horse, Capuchino, and pay 10-thousand dollars in expenses. The champion show riding horse was seized at Miami International Airport in June.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.04

60 to 89 days 8.03

90 to 119 days 8.00

120 to 149 days 7.87

150 to 179 days 8.01

180 to 270 days 7.98

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.10 - 8.05

Issuers 30 days 8.01

Issuers 90 days 7.74

Issuers 270 days 7.55

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.15

60 to 89 days 8.21

90 to 119 days 8.21

120 to 149 days 8.22

150 to 179 days 8.30

180 days 8.32

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.00 - 8.125

1 month 8.125 - 8.25

3 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

6 month 8.25 - 8.375

Year 8 7-16 - 8 9-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.55 - 7.53

6 months 7.51 - 7.49

Year 7.45 - 7.43

Federal Funds: High 8 1/8, Low 8 1-16, Close 8 1/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 8.014 up 0.055.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90235u1440 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - Political action committees for the major defense contractors have poured more than $5 million into campaigns of congressional armed service committee members during the past two election cycles, records showed Thursday.

That averaged out to $114,300 for each senator on the Senate Armed Service Committee and $51,802 for each member of the corresponding House committee according to data filed by the PACs with the Federal Election Commission.

The time frame covers the last two election cycles - for House members that means since the beginning of 1987 through July and for the Senate from 1983 until July.

During that period, the top recipient among Senate committee members was Sen. Pete Wilson, R-Calif., who is running for governor of California, one of the top defense industry states in the nation. He received $240,062, which also was the most received by any senator from defense-related PACs.

Second among committee members was Sen. Malcolm Wallop, R-Wyo., with $178,641, followed by Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., with $175,200 and Sen. John Warner, R-Va., the ranking Republican, with $171,332.

The leading Democrat was Sen. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., with $142,686, followed by Sen. Jim Exon, D-Neb., with $134,984 and Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., the committee chairman, with $102,404.

All told, the 20 senators on the committee received $2,286,008 of the $5,083,318 contributed by PACs for the 100 largest defense contractors as defined by the Pentagon.

In the House Armed Services Committee, Chairman Les Aspin, D-Wis., received the most during the past four years, $171,050. That ranked him fourth among all House members in money from defense-related PACs.

The ranking Republican, Rep. Bill Dickinson of Alabama, was right behind in both the committe and the House with $163,900.

Other big recipients were Rep. Bob Davis, R-Mich., with $140,500; Rep. Dave McCurdy, D-Okla., with $107,400; Rep. Herb Bateman, R-Va., wilth $103,100; Rep. Roy Dyson, D-Md., with $102,000, and Rep. Jim Hansen, R-Utah, with $100,500.

The total for the 54-member committee was $2,798,310.

The two committees are among the most powerful on Capitol Hill, having authority over a wide range of military issues from the overall budget to troop strength. Because of this authority, defense contractors have long been interested in the committee members.

Being a member, however, does not ensure a large contribution.

Eleven Democrats and five Republicans on the House committee got about half the average or less with two liberal critics of defense policy, Rep. Pat Schroeder, D-Colo., and Rep. Ron Dellums, D-Calif., getting $7,300 and $4,200 respectively.

On the Senate committee, the two with the lowest figures were Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., with $20,200 and Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, with $5,000 over almost eight years. Glenn's figure ranked him 99th in the Senate.

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#90235u1450 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - As U.S. troops shipped out to the Middle East, the Army Times beefed up coverage and printed thousands of extra copies - that are still lying undelivered in a warehouse in Virginia.

"We've been trying since Day 1," said Jim Doyle, editorial vice president for the independent newspaper covering the armed forces. "This is such a massive operation that none of the cargomasters want to screw around with newspapers," he said. "It's been frustrating."

The Stars & Stripes, the official military newspaper, is running into similar trouble, said Col. Geoff Baker, a spokesman for the newspaper.

"It's kind of piecemeal at this point," Baker said. "The problem is the priorities, obviously, are personnel, equipment, and support at this stage of deployment. That's usually normal and natural."

Despite the delivery woes, the Middle East crisis is giving both the daily Stars & Stripes and the three weekly Times papers - Army Times, Navy Times and Air Force Times - a chance to provide news military personnel won't find anywhere else.

The Navy Times broke an exclusive story that women Marines were not included in the initial wave of troops headed to Saudi Arabia, Doyle said. The Marines responded immediately to the story, saying they would begin shipping out women with the men, he said. "They were obviously embarassed about it," Doyle said.

Army Times, which marks its 50th anniversary next month, has run stories telling military personnel how the deployment, Operation Desert Shield, will affect their leaves, promotions and releases, he said.

The three Times papers, published by The Times Journal Co. in Springfield, Va., have a combined circulation of 305,000, he said. "What we give is an understanding of their situation and their culture that the general press doesn't match," Doyle said. "No one reports on this in the detail we do. The general press is talking to a different audience."

Stars & Stripes, which has a circulation of 130,000 in Europe and another 40,000 in the Pacific, directs its coverage toward military personnel overseas, Baker said.

"Our feeling is when a soldier or military personnel goes overseas, he has a need to be informed. Our mission in Stars & Stripes is to provide the same information he would get in the U.S.," he said. "Our effort is to give them the same thing they would expect to see in their hometown newspaper."

Like all news organizations, the Army Times has been fighting its own battle to get reporters and photographers into Saudi Arabia, Doyle said. "We have the same difficulties as anyone else in getting information," Doyle said. "We're scrambling like everyone else to get into Saudi Arabia and to get photos of people deploying. "We've got people standing at the Saudi border with visas," he said.

And, like any news organization, the Army Times has come to loggerheads with the people and institutions it covers, Doyle said. "They have threatened to take us off the newsstand," Doyle said. "But it doesn't work and it doesn't last. "They're used to having their orders followed," he said. "They get very upset with stuff we do when they feel it causes them heartburn."

A couple of years ago, the newspaper wrote a story about a change in shifts for Navy nurses. The paper interviewed nurses who were provided by the Navy and lauded the new shifts, he said.

The day the story ran, the paper was flooded with telephone calls from nurses lashing out at the shift changes, and the paper ran another story the next day, he said. "When they try to manage the news, it doesn't really work too well for them," he said.

Now, said Doyle, the newspaper and the military brass generally work well together. "People who are smart enough to become generals and officers are learned enough to know you cannot manage the news and you can't tell civilians, 'Don't print that,"' Doyle said.

"They have learned the best way to deal with us is to try and cooperate so that we're not off on our own and they have no input at all." "We're seen as a friend of the family," he said.

Besides, he says, if the brass is closemouthed, the troops are not. The paper gets many of its tips, such as the story on the women Marines, from enlisted personnel.

Col. William Smullen, special assistant to Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said he's got great respect for the Times, even when it's critical of the military.

"It's something I think is healthy if it causes us to take stock of ourselves," Smullen said. "If you're in this business, you accept it. "You don't expect puff pieces in Army Times," Smullen added. "If there were, I would probably be a bit disappointed."

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#90235u1454 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 23) UPI - Soviet Interior Ministry troops were deployed against Armenian militants Thursday after a battle that left 50 extremists dead and more than 100 wounded, reports said.

The Armenian Parliament also passed a declaration of independence Thursday in which the republic claimed the right to form its own army, interior troops and security forces.

Lt. Gen. Mikhail Kolesnikov, a commander of troops on the Soviet Union's embattled southern rim, provided the first details of a massive battle Tuesday between soldiers and hundreds of heavily armed Armenian fighters in an Azerbaijani village near the two republics' border.

''According to our information, 50 extremists were killed and more than 100 wounded in an engagement they initiated near the village of Baganis-Airum,'' Kolesnikov said.

Soviet television said 800 Armenian fighters fought two detachments of soldiers for nearly 10 hours. It reported the same casualty figures and showed dramatic footage in which the village appeared to have been destroyed.

The casualty toll was much higher than that previously reported in the latest round of violence in the Caucasus, where mainly Moslem Azerbaijanis and predominantly Christian Armenians have waged a virtual civil war for 2 1/2 years over control of the Nagorno-Karabakh region.

There were no reported casualty figures for troops or residents of Baganis-Airum. The official Tass news agency said in an earlier report that there were dead among soldiers and the local population, but it did not provide casualty figures.

Tass said more than 100 homes were destroyed in the fighting, but that their inhabitants had managed to escape.

Kolesnikov said Interior Ministry troops were deployed in Armenia on Thursday within a 3-mile zone on the other side of the besieged border.

''The task put forward by the command, after the measure was authorized by the republican leadership, is to clear the area of militants and carry out active operations against them,'' he said.

Armenia has several large illegal armies and was the main target of President Mikhail Gorbachev's July 25 decree ordering the breakup of vigilante units in the Soviet Union.

In its independence proclamation, the Armenian Parliament claimed the ''inalienable right'' to the Nagorno-Karabakh territory at the root of the bitter ethnic warfare in the Caucasus.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities(Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1127.3
Wednesday	1123.5
Week ago	1121.4
Month ago	1147.3
Year ago	1119.0
1990 High	1209.9

1990 Low 1055.2

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#90235u1479 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 23) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.81 up 3/4-3 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.27 1/2-6.28 1/2 up 12 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.57-2.64 up 5 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.73-2.75 up 5 1/4-7 1/4.

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#90235u1481 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	54 3-4	off 1 3-8
AT&T	30 1-2	off 1 5-8
BCE	31 1-2	off 1
BellAtl	41 1-8	off 1 3-4
BellSth	50 1-2	off 1 1-4
Exxon	49 5-8	off 1 3-4
FordMot	33 3-8	off 7-8
GenEl	58 1-2	off 1 3-4
GnMotor	36	off 5-8
GTE	23 3-4	off 1 1-2
IBM	96 7-8	off 2 1-8
Mobil	62 7-8	off 2 3-8
Nynex	68	off 2
PacGasE	20 3-4	off 1-2
PcTeles	37 7-8	off 5-8
PhilaEl	14 5-8	off 3-8
Sears	28 1-8	off 5-8
SouthCo	23 3-8	off 1-8
SwBell	47 7-8	off 1 1-2
USWest	33	off 1

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#90235u1493 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Some economists warned Tuesday that what has been dubbed the "Iraqi oil event" for lack of a better term could be degenerating into the third global oil shock to be felt since the early 1970s. But other practitioners of the "dismal science" take issue with this, and say resolution of the crisis would swiftly undo the damage.

When Iraqi tanks rumbled into Kuwait three weeks ago and oil prices began to rise, many analysts hesitated to draw parallels with the 1973-74 and 1979 oil shocks that delivered body blows to the world economy.

But the rise of oil prices above the psychologically important barrier of $30 a barrel, and the increasingly ominous tone of the faceoff between Washington and Iraq, have changed the perspective for some.

"Investors are clearly spooked by this (oil) price move, which is starting to look more and more like the 1973-74 and 1979 episodes in terms of magnitude," wrote Carl Bernstein in his High Frequency Economics newsletter.

He noted that "the toll has been heavy" on financial markets, with the Tokyo index plummeting six percent Thursday and other major exchanges around the world declining further as leery investors cash their chips.

Bond prices have plunged virtually nonstop on fears that oil price hikes will unleash inflation with a vengeance. Long-term bond yields, to which mortgage rates are tied, have climbed back up above nine percent.

"The current situation perhaps most resembles 1979," Boston Company economist Allen Sinai wrote this week before the latest market melee, with "a stagnant economy, entrenched high inflation (and a) sliding dollar."

Eleven years ago, he noted, oil prices were rising after the overthrow of the Shah of Iran, U.S. hostages were held in Teheran. The U.S. Federal Reserve was nursing weak economic growth and fending off inflation.

This time the Fed is severely limited in its options. If Alan Greenspan, the Fed chairman, guides interest rates lower to give the failing economy a second wind, he risks exacerbating oil-related inflation.

Sinai said he thinks the U.S. economy has already "slipped into recession, a mild downturn" compared to previous recessions, which should last two to three quarters if oil prices settle around $25 a barrel.

Not all economists are pessimists. Some take a longer view, beyond the Gulf crisis, hopeful it will be peacefully resolved. That would do much to reverse the mayhem seen in global markets since the Aug. 2 invasion.

The rub, though, is "we don't know how long the crisis in the Middle East

is going to go on," remarked J. Paul Horne, a Paris-based international economist with Smith Barney, acknowledging an "oil-with-military shock."

"Uncertainty will continue for at least a couple of weeks," until U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia are at peak strength. Over that period, oil prices could rise to $35 or more a barrel - then fall to $25 if a solution is found.

Perspective must be maintained. "The damage since the invasion is about equal to what happened in (the stock market crash of) October 1987," Horne said. The real economy was little affected and share prices soon recovered.

Similarly, research director Michael Englund of MMS International, a market analysis firm with branches worldwide, said his organization is working on the assumption that diplomatic maneuvers will calm the Gulf.

Based on that, he said, "You'd have to assume oil prices would fall off quite sharply to about $22 a barrel," while "much of the negative economic impact of the crisis would be offset over the next several months."

Oil company strategists and buyers have adopted a worst-case scenario - that Middle East war could break out, interrupting Gulf oil shipments. That, said the economist, is what has driven up prices, not actual shortages.

If, as MMS expects, there is no further escalation of the Gulf situation, the "positive psychology coming out of the crisis is likely to reverse some of the negative psychology" influencing the business climate, he said.

An MMS poll of money market economists last week found 55 percent expecting a recession later this year or early next year, while 45 percent said they did not think the U.S. economy would enter a contraction phase.

But the financial analysis company expects to see little or no growth, said Englund, so "we're not looking for recession." Yet Englund, like every other economist these days, stressed that projections are at the mercy of hourly Gulf developments.

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#90235u1494 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

MEXICO CITY (AUG. 23) UPI - Mexico's wage and price controls will probably be renewed in December or January, the president of a leading business group involved in shaping the program said Thursday.

"The economy is not going to arrive to where it needs to be in these next few months," said Luis Carcoba, president of the Confederation of Industrial Chambers, known as Concamin. He said the economy is on the

right track, however. "The economy is approaching a more realistic situation, with more realistic prices," Carcoba said.

Carcoba told United Press International in an interview the government, business and labor sectors supporting Mexico's so-called Pact for Economic Growth and Stability are still seeking to bring inflation down to single digits. The government's inflation target for 1990 was 15 percent, but price increases came to almost 15 percent for the first six months alone.

Nonetheless, Carcoba said that the Pact, which has been extended through January 31, 1991, is already achieving some of its goals, and that, as a result, price controls - technically voluntary but almost universally obeyed - are gradually being loosened.

He said the government is permitting a "gradual correction" of salaries through the collective-bargaining process in each company. "It's already coming in for a landing, bit by bit," he said of the Pact. "It's not going to land suddenly."

The Pact, an agreement signed by representatives of the government, business, labor and agricultural sectors, has been able to slash Mexico's inflation to current levels from 52 percent in 1988 and 159 percent in 1987.

When the Pact was renewed for another six months in June, the government slowed down the rate of devaluation of the peso against the dollar from one peso a day to 80 centavos a day and instituted moderate increases in selected energy and transportation prices.

The business sector agreed not to increase prices of basic goods. The labor sector, for its part, agreed to no minimum wage changes and not to resort to violence or extra-judicial solutions to labor problems.

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#90235u1511 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - A federal judge Thursday upheld the government's takeover of Lincoln Savings and Loan Association, ruling that actions by executives of its parent company ''amounted to a looting'' of the failed thrift.

In doing so, U.S. District Judge Stanley Sporkin dismissed a lawsuit filed by Charles Keating, former chairman of the Irvine, Calif.-based institution, challenging the seizure of Lincoln by federal regulators last April.

Sporkin's decision came a day after a federal judge in Los Angeles ruled that Keating must abide by an order issued by federal regulators to

disclose his assets and barring him from transferring money out of the United States.

In a 50-page opinion publicly released Thursday, Sporkin affirmed the conclusion of federal regulators that Lincoln was operated in an ''unsafe and unsound'' manner.

The failure of Lincoln, whose bailout is expected to cost taxpayers at least $2 billion, resulted from abuses by executives of Lincoln and its parent company, Phoenix-based American Continental Corp., as well as deregulation of the thrift industry, the judge said.

''This is a saga that demonstrates the excesses of a misconceived and misapplied regulatory program along with a group of individuals who were bent on exploiting these excesses, all to the detriment and ultimate demise of Lincoln,'' the judge wrote.

''It is abundantly clear that ACC's officials abused their positions with respect to Lincoln,'' Sporkin said. ''Bluntly speaking, their actions amounted to a looting of Lincoln.''

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#90235u1521 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - Cancer death rates have shifted dramatically worldwide in 20 years, with lung and stomach cancer killing fewer people but breast and brain cancer claiming more lives, researchers reported Thursday.

The exact cause of the global trends are unknown. But researchers speculated there could be a variety of explanations, including changes in diet, smoking,levels of cancer-causing substances in the environment and uses of radiation.

But whatever the cause, the changes merit further study to try to understand the root causes of cancer and ways to prevent the devastating disease, the researchers said.

''The changes in cancer ... are so great and rapid that their causes demand intensive investigation,'' wrote Dr. Devra Lee Davis and her colleagues in the British medical journal The Lancet.

The researchers calculated death rates for various forms of cancer from 1968 through 1987 in France, West Germany, Italy, Japan, England, Wales and the United States for people ages 45 to 84 - the age group most likely to get cancer.

The researchers found significant changes in the death rates in the

industrial nations over the two decades, with rates dropping sharply for stomach cancer and beginning to decline for lung cancer but rising at an alarming rate for other cancers.

''We don't really know what's causing these changes. It's a mystery,'' said Davis, a professor of environmental medicine at Mt. Sinai Medical Center in New York. ''But we ought to find so we can find out how to prevent it.''

The death rate from stomach cancer, which is a leading cause of cancer worldwide, fell between 20 percent and 50 percent overall, the researchers said. The greatest drop was in the United States; the lowest in Japan.

The researchers attributed that drop to the widespread use of refrigeration, which caused a drop in the use of potentially cancer-causing preservatives and the increased availability of possibly cancer-preventing fresh fruits and vegetables.

Deaths from lung cancer dropped about 10 percent, with the rate of decline varying significantly among countries. The greatest drop was in England and the United States while the lowest was in Japan. The decline was attributed to a decline in cigarette smoking.

But at the same time, the rate of brain and other nervous system cancersincreased sharply. The rates rose as much as nearly 500 percent among women ages 75 to 84 in England and Wales, 500 percent among Italian men ages 75 to 84 and and 700 percent among Japanese women in the same age group, the researchers said. U.S. rates of increase ranged from 33 percent to about 250 percent depending on age and sex.

Brain cancer remains a relatively rare disease but the increase was so significant that researchers said the cause should be studied.

''The message is not we have an epidemic. It's that the rate of increase is so significant we ought to find out what's going on here,'' she said.

Only some of the increase could be attributed to improved diagnosis, leading researchers to speculate that exhausts from older cars or something else in the environment may be to blame.

''We think that some of this ... may well have involved some yet-unrecognized environmental factor,'' she said.

Researchers also found a 50 percent to more than 200 percent increase in the death rate from a form of bone marrow cancer called multiple myeloma.

Again, researchers were uncertain of the cause, but Davis speculated that older, less safe X-ray machines may have played a role.

In addition, breast cancer death rates increased 30 percent to 50 percent and remains the leading cause of cancer death among premenopausal and postmenopausal women, researchers said.

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#90235u1523 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 23) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev Thursday annuled a move by the huge Russian republic to assert control over the sale of oil, diamonds, gold and other resources from the republic.

Gorbachev's decree declaring the Russian ''economic sovereignty'' act illegal was released shortly after a Russian official announced that previously signed foreign contracts - including a $1 billion diamond deal with the de Beers company - would be honored.

The presidium of the Parliament in the Russian republic, where much of the Soviet Union's valuable oil, diamonds and gold are mined, passed a resolution Aug. 9 invalidating export agreements that had not been approved by the republic's government.

Russia's resolution on control of natural resources within its territory was a move to consolidate the republic's June declaration of sovereignty within the Soviet Union.

''The decision by the presidium of the Russian Supreme Soviet can cause serious damage to the country's interests, by complicating possibilities to buy goods and win credits that are needed so badly amid current economic difficulties,'' Gorbachev's decree said.

''It is effectively directed at undermining the economic sovereignty of other union republics since it usurps the right to manage products belonging to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.''

The Russian move seeking economic sovereignty was prompted by news that the de Beers deal had been signed without consulting officials from the republic.

The Aug. 9 Russian economic sovereignty act said the republic ''has no commitments'' on Soviet deals for the export of diamonds, precious metals, oil, gas and other strategic resources from Russia.

Russian Minister for Foreign Economic Ties Viktor Yaroshenko told the independent news agency Interfax Thursday a special commission found that although the de Beers deal was signed without consulting the Russian government, it would be honored because it benefited both Russia and the Soviet Union.

Gorbachev's decree said that all foreign economic agreements signed by the Soviet Union would be observed, and he said negotiations were continuing on dividing control of natural resources.

''The powers and property of the center and republics can only be delimited by a new Soviet union treaty, which is now being drafted,'' the decree said.

The decree ordered the Soviet Council of Ministers to work out a proposal with the governments of the republics within a month to distribute hard-currency revenue from foreign deals.

Yaroshenko told Interfax that daily talks are being held with Soviet officials on distribution of foreign debt among the republics as well as on control of resources.

He said Russia, which accounts for 80 percent of the country's foreign debt, has reached a preliminary agreement with some creditor countries on a new $5 billion loan for Russia to service its debt in 1991.

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#90235u1528 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.44	off 0.23
10 Public Utils	90.89	unchanged
10 Industrials	87.99	off 0.47

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#90235u1533 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	138,673,088	33 1/4	up 1 1/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	123,591,432	31 3/4	off 1 1/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	62,555,900	60	off 2
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	62,246,432	51 3/4	off 2
Amgen	(AMGN)	55,605,596	41 3/8	off 1 3/8
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	47,438,228	26 3/8	up 3/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	46,252,644	46 1/2	up 1 1/2
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	43,214,284	34 1/2	off 5/8
Manufac Natl	(MNTL)	28,379,328	38 3/4	off 1/2
Oracle System	(ORCL)	24,515,830	12 3/4	off 5/8

Composite Index 157.54 off 6.43

NMS volume 144,330,304 shares.

Advances	258
Declines	1,631
Unchanged	933
Total	2,822

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#90235u1542 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks	-	250,440,000 shares
1990 to date	-	26,211,926,152
Warrants	-	4,439,200
1990 to date	-	164,814,400

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#90235u1544 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

MEXICO CITY (AUG. 23) UPI - The Cuban government expects the economy will grow two percent this year, doubling its growth rate for 1989, the official news agency Prensa Latina said Thursday.

In a dispatch monitored in Mexico City, Prensa Latina said projections are for 2.5 percent growth in the agriculture and construction sectors, and industrial growth of 1.5 percent.

Exports are predicted to grow three percent, bringing in export earnings of $5.5 billion, while Cuba is expected to buy $7.96 billion of imports, Prensa Latina said.

Sugar represents 71 percent of Cuba's exports. Sugar production for this year is expected to reach eight million tons, of which 6.9 million tons would be exported. Nickel production is predicted to rise to 56,200 tons this year, with 52,800 tons to be exported.

International tourism, which has grown in importance in recent years, is expected to bring in $185 million of foreign exchange. Following years of shrinking, the Cuban economy grew two percent in 1988 and one percent last year.

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#90235u1549 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index 168.88 off 5.34

ASE Market Value Index 315.88 off 8.54
Dow-Jones Industrial 2483.41 off 76.74

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#90235u1552 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 324.39, low 315.55, close 315.85, off 8.54.

There was a loss of 28 cents in the average share price.

Volume 24,850,000 shares, compared with 16,570,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	12
New Lows	240
Advances	82
Declines	623
Unchanged	171
Total Issues	876

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#90235u1553 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
OMITTED				
Peerless Carpet				
SPECIAL				
Grow Group Inc	..	.10	10-1	9-10
USUAL				
Amer Petrofina A&B	Q	.80	9-14	9-4
Chris-Craft Indus	Q	.25	9-30	9-14
Midland Co	..	.10 1/2	10-5	9-19
Sequa Corp cl-A	Q	.15	10-1	9-14
Sequa Corp cl-B	Q	.125	10-1	9-14

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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#90235u1557 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Thursday - $53,160,000
1990 to date - $7,447,910,000

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#90235u1561 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 24,850,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,317,720,425
Bonds - $2,470,000
1990 to date - $469,870,000

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#90235u1568 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
LAKE BUENA VISTA, FL (AUG. 23) UPI - Walt Disney World Co. and Actors Equity have reached their first contract, a three-year deal covering Disney's Florida theme park performers, the company and union reported Thursday.

The contract goes into effect Sept. 9 and covers 420 actors, singers, dancers, comedians, and stunt performers at Disney's Orlando-area theme parks and resorts. Terms of the contract were not immediately available.

Equity's governing council approved the agreement Tuesday, after negotiations concluded Aug. 17, said Richard Delehanty, a union representative in Lake Buena Vista. The contract is not subject to membership approval.

Negotiator Carol Waaser in the union's New York office said Thursday that performers who would work under the agreement had not yet been advised of its terms.

Disney performers voted nine-to-one May 3 to join the union after on-again off-again organizing efforts since 1984. The union's most recent organizing efforts began in 1989.

"This has been a long process, begun 16 months ago when we initiated our organizing campaign, and we are very pleased with the results," Alan Eisenberg, Equity's executive secretary, said in a prepared statement.

The union has about 100 to 150 members in Orlando, but since the Disney vote, that number has been increasing almost daily, Waaser said. Actors Equity is a 76-year-old union, representing live stage actors and stage managers across the country. It does not represent screen actors, who are represented by the Screen Actors Guild.

Ninety-four percent of Disney's eligible employees voted in favor of the

union in May. Just 15 of 250 employees taking part voted no, Delehanty said.

Disney employee Karel Wright, who performs at Disney-MGM Studios Theme Park, said the vote was lopsided because of safety concerns, such as dancers being forced to perform on wet stages during rainstorms, and stunt accidents.

Walt Disney World Co. operates such Orlando-area theme parks as Disney World and EPCOT Center. It is a subsidiary of The Walt Disney Co., of Burbank, Calif., which produces motion pictures and television programs and operates Disneyland, in Anaheim, Calif., in addition to the Florida parks.

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#90235u1572 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 23) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Thursday - 14,095,000

1990 to date - 1,672,930,000

The market closed broadly lower.

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#90235u1605 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Thursday	362.23	220.36	125.40	22.87	307.06
Wednesday	373.64	227.58	129.06	23.48	316.55
Week ago	392.42	238.03	134.15	25.05	332.39
Month ago	421.30	275.61	135.84	27.94	355.91
Year ago	402.71	313.88	141.87	33.44	351.52
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	362.23	220.36	125.40	22.87	307.06

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#90235u1606 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - Embassy personnel streamed out of Kuwait Thursday as Saddam Hussein's deadline neared for all foreign missions to shut down in the invaded emirate, but many nations insisted they would stand their ground in the face of the Iraqi president's order.

Saddam directed all foreign governments to close their embassies and recall their staff by Friday from the oil-rich, Persian Gulf nation

overrun by Iraq Aug. 2.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said he did not know how many of the 62 embassies in Kuwait would remain.

''Most all of the countries have indicated they would stay open,'' he said. ''The great majority of the nations have indicated they intend to stay open in compliance with the U.N. resolution which said the annexation of Kuwait is illegal and the embassies have every right to remain.''

Some nations were withdrawing ''non-essential'' embassy personnel, but declared they would keep skeleton embassy staffs in their precarious posts. Western ambassadors planned to gather at one location to better defend themselves if Iraq used force to close the embassies.

Fitzwater said the ambassador and an ''essential small staff'' would stay at the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait. He later said the embassy would not be protected by the usual contingent of U.S. Marines.

He said the Marines and an unspecified number of non-essential personnel left in a convoy to Baghdad, where U.S. officials ''are working on their exit.''

''Contrary to earlier information this morning, there are no U.S. marines presently at the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait,'' Fitzwater said in a statement Thursday afternoon. ''The Marines departed with the convoy which left for Baghdad.''

ABC television cited a ''very, very accurate'' source in Iraq as saying ''starting tomorrow (Friday) morning, all the foreign embassies in Kuwait will be surrounded by Iraqi troops,'' if diplomats do not heed the deadline.

''The embassies will be closed. They will not allow anyone to leave the embassies or to go into the embassies,'' said the report, adding it was not clear whether the troops would prevent food from going in.

Japanese public television reported Iraqi troops surrounded the Japanese Embassy in Kuwait Wednesday.

Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney said Thursday that the United States was prepared to fight if provoked.

''If in fact there is provocation, he (Saddam) would launch an attack on upon the United States or U.S. forces in the area, we clearly have a wide range of responses available,'' Cheney said. ''The president will make the decision on how we respond.

''I think it would be a mistake for Saddam Hussein to try to close down all those embassies in Kuwait, but he's done foolish things before.''

Dutch Prime Minister Ruud Lubbers said his ambassador would stay in Kuwait. ''We do not want to bow to threats from Saddam Hussein,'' Lubbers said.

India expressed its opposition to the presence of foreign troops in the gulf region and announced it will close its embassy in Kuwait, becoming the first country to agree with Iraq's call.

Japan's Foreign Ministry announced most Japanese citizens in Kuwait had flown to Baghdad by Thursday. Japan reiterated, however, it would keep the embassy open.

Iraq, which has offered to release Japanese citizens held in Iraq and Kuwait, has played on Japan's inclination to avoid conflict and its historical willingness to negotiate the release of Japanese hostages.

The Middle Eastern nation has been trying to pry Japan from the U.S.-led, multinational opposition to Iraq, but officials say Japan will not abandon its allies in the gulf.

Iraq freed 21 Japanese Wednesday, most of them diplomatic dependents, a Foreign Ministry official said. Iraq reportedly followed up by offering to release more if Japan would drop out of a U.N.-mandated economic embargo.

But on the same day, Iraq forcibly relocated 79 Japanese from Kuwait to Iraq, Japan's Mainichi newspaper reported. Altogether, about 470 Japanese remain under Iraqi control.

Britain will defy Saddam's Friday deadline, the Foreign Office said.

''The point is is that we just do not recognize any dictate from the occupying force,'' a spokesman said.

The number of British diplomats and support staff in Kuwait will be reduced, however, from 10 to three or four staffers, who will continue to try to keep track of the hostages.

Finnish and Swedish diplomats left Kuwait City with convoys, but both governments say that they have not closed their embassies.

''Just because there is nobody there doesn't mean to say that we have closed our embassy,'' Swedish Foreign Minister Sten Andersson said.

Denmark and Norway said they would remain in Kuwait.

''If we are physically forced out, there is nothing we can do about it, but we have no intention of closing our embassy,'' Denmark's Foreign Minister Uffe Ellemann-Jensen said.

''Western ambassadors will congregate tomorrow in groups in Kuwait City in order to be able to help each other if Iraq attempts to forcibly close the embassies,'' he said.

Canadian officials began withdrawing some diplomats and dependents, but several diplomats and staff were to remain, according to news reports.

Other nations that said they would not close their embassies include Poland, Austria, the Soviet Union, Egypt, France, West Germany and Yugoslavia.

''We recognize the sovereign state of Kuwait and we maintain diplomatic relations,'' Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh said.

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#90235u1612 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	373.64	227.58	129.06	23.48	316.55
Opening	364.54	222.38	126.75	22.80	308.99
11 a.m.	364.87	222.00	126.20	22.89	309.12
Noon	364.53	221.83	126.08	22.91	308.88
1 p.m.	366.34	222.50	126.65	23.01	310.37
2 p.m.	366.69	222.89	126.59	23.06	310.64
3 p.m.	365.01	221.87	126.33	23.01	309.37
Close	362.23	220.36	125.40	22.87	307.06
Change	off 11.41	off 7.22	off 3.66	off 0.61	off 9.49

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#90235u1614 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	373.64	361.76	362.23	off 11.41
20 Trans	227.58	219.44	220.36	off 7.22
40 Utils	129.06	125.25	125.40	off 3.66
40 Fncl	23.48	22.68	22.87	off 0.61
500 Stocks	316.55	306.56	307.06	off 9.49

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#90235u1615 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Lilly Eli	4,660,300	68 1/2	off 2
Philip Morris	4,245,900	41 3/8	off 1 5/8
Wal-Mart Strs	4,167,700	25 1/2	off 1 3/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	3,624,600	26 5/8	off 1/8
Genl Electric	3,465,100	58 1/2	off 1 3/4
Boeing Co	2,772,900	42 1/2	off 2 1/2
Genl Motor	2,634,100	36 1/4	off 3/8
IBM Corp	2,427,400	96 7/8	off 2 1/8
AT&T Company	2,358,000	30 1/2	off 1 5/8
Waste Mangmnt	2,303,900	33 7/8	off 1 1/8
Toys 'R Us	2,291,600	24	off 3/4
Fed Nat Mtg wt	2,119,400	12 3/4	off 1/4
USX Corp	2,070,300	31 1/2	off 7/8
Amer Express	1,862,600	22 7/8	off 5/8
TransAmerica	1,775,600	29 3/4	off 3 5/8

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#90235u1622 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Salomon wt Jan	1,575,100	18 1/8	up 2 1/8
Paine W Gr wtB	1,379,500	9 1/8	up 2
Denmark K wt	1,099,800	19 1/4	up 2 1/8
Eksport wt	997,800	9 1/2	up 2 1/4
Salomon wt Feb	819,200	19 1/8	up 2 1/8
Echo Bay Mines	641,100	14 5/8	off 3/4
BAT Indus	551,000	10 1/8	unch
Rhone Poulenc	450,500	10 7/8	off 1/8
Bankers Trs wt	442,700	45 7/8	up 4 1/8
Americus GTE sc	407,600	5	off 1 1/2

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#90235u1631 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 23) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.

Berkshire Hath	6100	off	300
CapCiti/ABC	483 1/8	off	16 7/8
Kubota Ltd	93 1/4	off	13 3/4
Enron Cp pf	179	off	10
UAL Corp	93	off	7
Kyocera Corp	95 1/4	off	5 3/4
Baker pf	57 3/8	off	5 1/2
Wash Post	228	off	5
Lilly Eli wt	61 3/4	off	5
GEICO Corp	135 3/4	off	4 3/4
Apple Bancorp	26 1/4	off	4 3/4

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#90235u1687 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	30.40-30.50	29.65-29.75
North Sea Brent	32.15-32.20	31.55-31.60
West Texas Intermed	31.55-31.60	31.00-31.10
Light Louisiana Sweet	32.30-32.45	31.65-31.75
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	110.05-110.55	106.10-106.35
No. 2 Heating oil	94.75-95.25	90.10-90.35
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	106.55-106.80	100.85-101.10
No. 2 Heating oil	94.15-94.25	88.70-88.95

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#90235u1688 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 23) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.86	8.96	9.05
91-day Treasury bills	7.78	7.85	7.96
182-day Treasury bills	7.91	7.92	7.87
1-year Treasury bills	7.99	7.96	7.76
3-year Treasury notes	8.42	8.41	8.30
7-year Treasury notes	8.87	8.82	8.24
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	9.12	9.06	8.16
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.55	9.60	8.90
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.09	10.05	9.22
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.15	9.33	9.27
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.66	9.63	9.24
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.66	9.65	9.43
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.64	9.64	9.41

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90235u1699 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	202,763,300
Advances	320
Declines	2,163
Unchanged	1,792
Total	4,275

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#90235u1705 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 23) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	12
New lows	240

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	82	7,330,300
Declines	623	14,859,100
Unchanged	171	2,660,600
Total	876	24,850,000

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#90235u1706 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	0	4	11
New lows	706	327	154

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	146	8,235,800
Declines	1,652	238,337,500
Unchanged	240	3,866,700
Total	2,038	250,440,000

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#90235u1708 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	360.22	off	14.62	402.27	465.88
Industrial	380.44	off	16.54	430.95	452.47
Finance	372.90	off	9.85	395.93	552.08
Insurance	429.25	off	12.34	463.73	533.62
Utility	475.37	off	27.61	549.16	731.15
Bank	277.19	off	7.66	295.93	489.95
Transport	405.34	off	14.49	442.05	462.83

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 157.54 off 6.43

Industrial Index 150.01 off 6.54

NASDAQ-100 Index 356.59 off 13.44

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - The State Department pulled out all of the

Marine guards from the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait Thursday, one day before the Iraqi military authorities threatened to take over the property.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater confirmed in Kennebunkport that the Marines left with a group of ''non-essential'' diplomatic personnel and dependents.

The convoy, believed to have contained about 110 people, was escorted to the Iraqi border by Ambassador Nathaniel Howell, who then returned to Kuwait City, where he will remain with about 10 other foreign service officers who will try to keep tabs on the estimated 2,500 Americans still in Kuwait.

By pulling out the Marines, the State Department lowered the number of potential hostages in the embassy standoff.

The Iraqis have told all 62 embassies in Kuwait that they must close down by Friday, since their presence is no longer required because, according to an Iraqi decree of Aug. 9, Kuwait is now part of Iraq. The Iraqis have said that all embassy personnel will lose their diplomatic status after Friday.

The State Department called that annexation and the subsequent Iraqi orders ''null and void.''

The 12 members of the European Community and Japan, Bangladesh and Pakistan have publicly declared that they will join the United States in not closing their embassies by the deadline, setting up the next stage of the confrontation in the crisis in the gulf.

Whether that next critical point occurs at high noon or at midnight Friday is a matter of some confusion, since, according to a State Department spokesman, Iraqi authorities have given both noon and midnight Friday as the final deadline.

The United States has not said what it would do if its large embassy compound on the Corniche in Kuwait City overlooking the Persian Gulf were to be taken over by the Iraqis. But President Bush and Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney have said they are ruling out nothing in terms of military response.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - Military reserves who specialize in water distribution, chemical decontamination or cargo transportation are likely to be the first to be called up for duty in Saudi Arabia, defense officials said Thursday.

Doctors and nurses in the reserves are all but certain to be called up, but mostly to fill in at military hospitals in the United States whose staff has been depleted by deployments of medical personnel to the Persian Gulf.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney authorized the military services to begin calling up a maximum of 49,703 reservists by Oct. 1.

Of the total, 24,734 are to come from the Army Reserve and the Army National Guard, 13,474 from the Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard, 13,474 from the Navy Reserve, 3,000 from the Marine Corps Reserve, and 500 from the Coast Guard Reserve.

''The bulk of it (the Army's call-up) are water units; water distribution and water storage units - 100 percent of these units are in the reserve and the guard. Water is one thing you've got to have over there,'' said Van D. Hipp, deputy assistant secretary of the Army for reserve affairs and mobilization.

In addition, 70 percent of all Army medical personnel are in the reserve and the guard and about 76 percent of all Army hospital units are in the reserve and guard, he said.

''I would expect a significant number of those in the call-up to be medical personnel,'' Hipp said, who would ''backfill to hospitals in the United States. We might even have to call up some (medical) retirees.''

Hipp said some transportation units who can unload cargo from ships could also be deployed.

''Chemical decontamination is a biggie,'' Hipp said, adding that 87 percent of chemical decontamination units outside of Europe are in the reserve and the guard.

''Two things you need in this scenario: water and chemical protection,'' Hipp said of U.S. troops facing Iraqi soldiers armed with chemical weapons in the searing desert.

In the Air Force, the situation is unique in that members of the reserves are mixed with active-duty personnel on C-141 and C-5 cargo-hauling transport planes.

''A large percentage of the Air Force's airlift capability is in the reserves and that's a big item in the Persian Gulf right now,'' said Robert Van Elsberg, a reserve spokesman at Robbins Air Force Base, Ga.

Air refueling units in the reserves are also likely to be called up, Van

Elsberg said, and he noted that the reserves have 67 percent of the total medical crew capability in the Military Airlift Command.

The Navy is likely to call up 2,300 medical personnel and thousands of other cargo handlers, sealift and logistical personnel from the reserves, said Donald Morency, deputy assistant secretary of the Navy for reserve affairs.

''Most of the Navy Reserves ... will most likely backfill'' for those medical personnel in U.S. hospitals who recently shipped out for duty in the Persian Gulf aboard the Navy two hospital ships, the USNS Mercy and USNS Comfort.

Morency said the doctors and nurses called up will most likely be sent to Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland, the Oakland Naval Hospital in California and the naval hospital at Portsmouth, Va.

''And, yes, we expect them to report aboard when called,'' Morency said of the doctors and nurses in the reserves. ''I've received a number of calls from doctors in this area who have volunteered to give up $200,000 and $300,000 practices to serve.

''I have high expectations,'' he added.

The Marine Corps is not expected to use its authorization to call up 3,000 reserves, because of the way its active-duty forces are structured to be self-sufficient logistically.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	170.99	168.88	168.88	off 5.34
Industrial	213.02	210.55	210.55	off 6.76
Transport	135.75	134.31	134.31	off 4.70
Utility	82.02	80.98	80.98	off 2.54
Finance	120.03	119.11	119.11	off 3.32

Equivalent to a loss of 94 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 250,440,000 shares.

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#90235u1777 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - British theatrical producer Cameron Mackintosh will come to New York to discuss with Actors' Equity how his musical, ''Miss Saigon,'' can be presented on Broadway in accord with the union's stand on artistic freedom and equal employment opportunity, it was announced Thursday.

The actors' union said it had invited Mackintosh to meet ''to establish a working relationship'' and that he had accepted.

''The union reaffirms its active support of the principles of artistic freedom and its vigorous commitment to equal employment opportunity,'' Equity said in a statement. ''Equity believes that the parties must now meet to determine how these principles may be implemented in the production of 'Miss Saigon.'''

The union's council voted Aug. 7 to bar the star of the original London production of the musical hit, Jonathan Pryce, from playing the role of a Eurasian pimp because he is Caucasian. Equity contended that an actor of Asian ethnic background, of which the union has several hundred members, should be cast in the role.

As a result of this decision, Mackintosh canceled the opening of his $10 million show on Broadway next April, claiming his right to artistic freedom was being trampled. Equity members supporting him petitioned the council to reconsider its decision and the ban on Pryce was rescinded last Thursday.

But on Tuesday Macktosh demanded further assurances from the union that he will have a free hand in casting the show before he agrees to open it on Broadway as scheduled. He already had said he would cast as many of the 34 non-white roles in the show with as many ethnic minority actors as possible.

''Equity believes that a dialogue between the parties, rather than further press releases, will prove to be salutary,'' Equity said. ''Perhaps through these discussions 'Miss Saigon' can move out of the press room and into the rehearsal studio.''

''Miss Saigon'' already has a $25 million advance sale of tickets, the largest in Broadway history. Mackintosh has pointed out that the demand for tickets is based to a large degree on Pryce's brilliant performance, which won the Olivier Award for best actor on the London stage last season.

The Association of Asian Pacific American Artists and a score of other organizations took a full-page advertisement in this week's Variety, the show business publication, condemning Mackintosh's ''insensitive casting'' of Pryce.

''This act has provoked tremendous furor because it perpetuates the gross injustices Asian/Pacific actors have always faced,'' the ad read. ''Traditionally Caucasian actors have the freedom to portray all races, but Asian/Pacificactors have been denied that freedom and are restricted to racially specific roles.

''But they routinely have been denied even these roles - especially leading ones. ... Although 'blackface' is vehemently condemned, why is 'yellowface' still acceptable?''

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#90235u1780 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (AUG. 23) UPI - The U.S.-backed Afghan government-in-exile will send 2,000 Afghan mujahideen guerrillas to Saudi Arabia to help defend it from possible attack, the exiled government's news agency said Thursday. "The step was taken just as a stout gesture of our Islamic solidarity," the Pakistan-based agency reported a rebel spokesman as saying.

Analysts have been speculating on the need for a resistance force inside Kuwait after the Iraqi invasion and occupation on Aug. 2. The Afghan mujahideen rebels formed such a resistance against the Moscow-backed Afghan government in 1979 when the Soviet Union invaded Afghanistan to support a series of Marxist rulers against a Moslem insurgency.

With enormous military and financial support from the United States and Saudi Arabia, the mujahideen managed to survive and cause some damage to the Kabul government. The use of U.S.-made Stinger missiles proved particularly effective against government aircraft.

But the mujahideen guerrillas are based mainly in Pakistan and their ability to send a contingent of fighters to the Middle East depends largely on the Islamabad government.

The Pakistan government itself promised to send 5,000 troops to Saudi Arabia two weeks ago but has yet to finalize the logistics of the operation. The decision to send troops has been widely criticized in the media and has caused serious unrest among some analysts as the prospects increase of Moslems facing Moslems on the battlefield.

The exiled Afghan government's announcement will provide mixed comfort to Saudi Arabia, sources said. King Fahd certainly welcome military support from an Islamic government. Several Asian countries, including Malaysia and Indonesia, were reported to have refused his request for military help.

But sources said Saudi Arabia had not approached the Afghan government-in-exile for military assistance. The moderate Saudi Arabian

leaders were believed to have been relieved when large numbers of Saudi militants left the country to fight in the "holy war" in Afghanistan.

"The Saudis were rather hoping they would stay in Afghanistan," said one Western analyst. "Who knows how they'll react." There was no reaction from the Saudi embassy in Islamabad late Thursday.

The announcement came only hours after a minister of the Afghan government-in-exile, Burhanuddin Rabbani, had publically criticized the Iraqi government's continued occupation of Kuwait.

"We would like to remind the Iraqis that if they are really aspiring to the cause of the Islamic world and the Arab nation, then they should pull their troops from Kuwait," he said.

Within Afghanistan, the Moslem guerrillas continue to fight against the pro-Soviet Afghan government in Kabul in a civil war which has lasted for 12 years.

Recently, though, the guerrillas have become frustrated at their failure to capture any major urban centers, despite the February 1989 withdrawal of Soviet troops backing the government. Many have become embroiled in bloody internecine disputes.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	234.10	239.00	234.00	234.30	243.55
Dec	242.00	242.00	237.00	237.40	246.65
Mar	....	....	....	240.90	250.15

Previous day volume: 75 contracts.

Open interest: 1,314 up 62

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	305.20	313.10	305.20	306.25	317.20
Dec	308.80	316.50	308.65	309.75	320.85
Mar	314.90	319.20	312.00	312.75	324.00
Jun	....	322.70	315.00	316.85	328.10

Today's estimated volume: 56,791 contracts.

Open interest: 131,903 off 3,316

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	171.25	171.95	167.50	168.25	174.25
Dec	169.25	173.50	169.25	170.20	176.25
Mar	....	....	....	172.15	178.25

Open interest: 5,983 off 104

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	515.00	518.25	506.00	507.75	524.85
Oct	513.00	520.00	508.50	510.00	527.25

Estimated volume 3,747 contracts.

Open interest: 5,338 up 433

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(AUG. 23) UPI - (Dow Jones has corrected its 30 Indus Index)

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2483.42	off 76.73
20 Trans	861.31	off 33.03
15 Utils	191.71	off 5.10
65 Stocks	864.17	off 27.77

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#90235u1787 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - A battered dollar slowed its decline Thursday in New York trading after tumbling to new lows against major currencies on pervasive fears of higher oil prices, U.S. inflation and soaring defense costs.

But currency traders said the absence of significant developments in the Gulf confrontation calmed the U.S. foreign exchange market, churned over the past several days by frenzied bouts of dollar selling.

"People seemed to be jittery yesterday and the day before yesterday," said Robert Hinton, a Harris Trust & Savings Bank currency vice president. "With the lack of announcements things seemed to slow up a bit."

For most of the New York session the dollar traded near the lows established in earlier European dealings, Hinton said, concluding that the unit was held at those levels by profit taking on short positions.

He said a morsel of good economic news - a 2.9 percent rise in new orders for durable goods in July - "helped the dollar halt its slide."

Nonetheless, the dollar ended at a new low New York closing price against

the Swiss unit, at 1.2555 francs vs. 1.2775 francs Wednesday. The previous New York record low close was 1.2745 Swiss francs, set Dec. 31, 1987.

The dollar also established another historic bottom against the German mark, closing the session at 1.5445 marks, off 1.45 marks from Wednesday's late price of 1.5590 marks. That was the fourth record low closing price set since the previous low of 1.5620 marks was broken last week.

Against the Japanese yen the dollar finished at 146.12 yen, off slightly from 146.25 yen the previous day.

Other New York dollar rates: 5.1850 French francs, off from 5.2450; and 1,152 Italian lire, down from 1,163.25 lire Wednesday. Britain's pound soared to $1.9559, up nearly three cents from $1.9235.

In Europe, the dollar skidded to a record low price against the Swiss franc and other major European currencies.

Market players sold dollars for higher-yielding currencies like Swiss francs, German marks and British pounds on perceptions that a war in the Middle East was imminent and would blight the U.S. economy.

"The worse things get in the Gulf, the better the Swiss franc is," said Kit Juckes, a currency economist at Warburg Securities. "It's been a volatile day. The dollar is still very, very weak on economic fundamentals and that is why it is so low," said Warren Pinner, chief foreign exchange dealer at Kleinwort Benson Group.

The dollar moved to a new European low against the Swiss franc, closing in Zurich at 1.2585 Swiss francs from 1.2750 Wednesday. Its previous all-time low was in 1988, when the dollar fell to 1.2710.

The U.S. unit also hit a record Continental low in Frankfurt, where it closed at 1.5468 German marks against 1.5530.

In London, the pound rose to a near eight-year high against the dollar, closing better than two cents higher at $1.9515 vs. 1.9275. Dealers predicted it would soon be changing hands for $2.00.

The dollar slid in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to 5.1905 francs vs. 5.2420, 31.70 Belgian francs vs. 31.94, and 1,152 lire vs. 1159.90.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar dropped against the yen to finish at 145.88 yen, down 1.04 yen from Wednesday's close of 146.92 yen.

"Investors started worrying about ... the U.S. economy," said Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank currency manager Hiroyoshi Akiyama. He said surging oil prices and the burden of military expenses could create "stagflation."

U.S. inflation lowers the value of dollar-priced assets and eventually drives foreign investors to those denominated in other currencies.

Gold closed higher in Zurich at $412.50 an ounce vs. $410. It also was up in London at $413.75 an ounce against $410.50.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $411.25 an ounce, up from $410.75 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $412 an ounce, up a dollar from $411.

Silver closed unchanged in Zurich at $5.15 an ounce. But in London, it gained to close at $5.18 an ounce compared with $5.15.

Republic closed cash silver at $5.135 an ounce, off from $5.145. Comex silver ended the day lower at $5.126 an ounce vs. $5.129.

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#90235u1799 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Assets of the nation's 520 money market mutual funds rose by $6.22 billion to $408 billion in the week ended Wednesday, the Investment Company Institute reported Thursday. Average fund yields were mixed.

The Washington-based institute said broker-dealer fund assets increased $2.67 billion to $166.07 billion, assets of general purpose funds increased $2.40 billion to $142.45 billion and institutional fund assets rose $1.15 billion to $99.48 billion.

"Massive asset inflows into money market funds continued unabated as investors kept moving their money out of equities and bonds and into all kinds of short-term products," said Jacob Dreyer, vice president and chief economist at the institute.

Mutual fund assets were revised for Aug. 15 to $401.78 billion, and the increase for Aug. 15 was revised to $2.54 billion, the institute reported.

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said that average seven-day simple yields were at 7.51 percent, up from 7.50, while 30-day simple yields eased to 7.52 percent from 7.54 the previous week. The average maturity of fund portfolios was unchanged at 45 days.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as

follows: money market deposit accounts, unchanged at 5.91 percent; Super-Now accounts, unchanged at 4.98 percent; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.51 percent, down from 7.53; 1-year CDs, 7.61 percent, down from 7.63; 2 1/2-year CDs, unchanged at 7.69 percent; and five-year CDs, unchanged at 7.79.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.27 percent up from 8.25.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage rose in the latest week to 9.69 percent from 9.62, and the average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage reached 10 percent from 9.92.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan rose to 12.27 percent from 12.26 percent.

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#90235u1812 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - West Germany has provided the United States with 10 "Fox" chemical-monitoring vehicles for use in Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia, the Defense Department announced Thursday.

''These self-propelled vehicles have the capability of fully monitoring the environment for traces of chemical agents while protecting the operating crew from danger,'' the Pentagon said.

U.S. military forces will train in the operation of these vehicles at the West German atomic, biological and chemical training range in Sonthofen, West Germany, officials said.

The Army had several of these vehicles on order from West Germany before the crisis in the Middle East developed, officials said.

The Fox's spectrometer is capable of detecting dozens of possible chemical agents. The Fox has an automatic ground contamination sampler, with portable suface analyzers, automatic navigation and contamination-reporting system.

Chemical weapons have become a matter of growing concern for U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia because Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has used chemical weapons against Iranian forces and his own people.

The Pentagon also announced the elements of the Army's 3rd Corps artillery from Fort Sill, Okla., were deploying Thursday to Saudi Arabia in support of Operation Desert Shield.

A Pentagon official said the Army unit employs Lance short-range missiles,

105mm, 155mm and 8-inch artillery and the Multiple Launch Rocket System.

Also leaving for the region were elements of the Army's 7th Medical Command, based in West Germany. The Air Force is also sending C-130E Hercules cargo plans from the 435th Tactical Airlift Wing from their base in West Germany, the Pentagon said.

The United States is believed to have more than 45,000 troops on the ground in Saudi Arabia. A total of more than 100,000 troops are expected to be sent in the operation, aimed at detering an Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia.

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#90235u1834 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) UPI - The Air Force dusted off the runway Thursday for the arrival of the first new Air Force One in 17 years, moving presidential travel into the jumbo jet era with the arrival of a specially built Boeing 747.

The aircraft, one of two ordered for White House duty, was flown to Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington from Wichita, Kan., where final touches were put on the multimillion-dollar jetliner.

The plane was to arrive in the early evening, with Col. Robert Barr, the president's pilot since 1989, at the controls. The second plane, identically equipped, is expected to be delivered next spring.

At Kennebunkport, Maine, where President Bush is vacationing, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said he did not know when Bush would make his first flight on the new 747-200.

An Air Force spokesman in Washington said the plane is ready for presidential missions but would not go into service until a few more practice runs were made, both to make sure all the equipment works right and the crew and cabin personnel know the set up.

The aircraft will carry 70 passengers and 23 crew members and it has more than three times the floor space of the older 707s now used as presidential planes. It has a main deck of 3,520 square feet and the upper deck, under the distinctive 747 bulge, is 470 square feet.

The plane, also nearly twice as wide as the 707s, will carry the tail number 28000. The 17-year-old plane now used for most flights is designated 27000. The first jet-powered Air Force One - the one that carried President Kennedy's body to Washington from Dallas in 1963 - is number 26000.

Any plane carrying the president is automatically called ''Air Force One '' and the primary plane is referred to by its tail number when not used by the president.

The new plane cruises at 560 miles an hour at 35,000 feet and can fly 7,140 miles without refueling. It can be refueled in flight.

In announcing the plane's range and refueling capacity, Fitzwater joked, ''Look out world, here we come.''

The plane was built at a Boeing Co. plant near Seattle and then taken to Wichita for outfitting with secure, worldwide voice and data communications and state-of-the-art electronics. More than one mile of wire is wound through the plane.

In addition to its communications gear, the new plane has an emergency medical facility, work and rest areas for the president, his staff, the secret service and news media.

Boeing's fixed-price contract for the two planes was $262 million. However the Air Force released a report late last year that estimated Boeing would spend nearly $650 million in building the planes. Analysts have said Boeing would absorb the extra expenses just for the prestige of making the presidential plane.

Delivery of the first plane, originally set for November 1988, was delayed by ''engineering and technical difficulties associated with the installation and check-out of aircraft wiring,'' Fitzwater said. Engineers reportedly had difficulties modifying the wiring to withstand the electromagnetic pulses that follow nuclear explosions.

The second plane was initially scheduled to be delivered in May 1989. A revised schedule put the delivery in June 1991, although it could be delivered several months before that, said Boeing spokeswoman Carolyn Russell.

The two existing planes will stay in the Andrews VIP travel fleet and two older planes will be retired. The current primary plane has just 5,500 flight hours on it and the other has about 10,000. Others in the fleet have well over 45,000 hours each.

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#90235u1873 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - The Dow industrials suffered their third-biggest loss of 1990 in the year's third-heaviest trading Thursday, as fears about what may transpire in the Mideast conflict sent investors running for cover.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which sank 43.81 Wednesday, plunged 76.73 - 3 percent - to 2483.42, the first close below the 2500 level since July 7, 1989.

The Dow has only had two worse days this year - Aug. 6, when it plummeted 93.31, and Jan. 22, when it tumbled 77.45. Thursday's loss was the 14th biggest ever, after a drop of 76.93 registered on Nov. 30, 1987.

In the broad market just a fraction of issues managed to gain ground - 149 out of the 2,038 issues crossing the NYSE tape, with 1,646 declining.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index sank 5.34 to 168.88. The price of an average share plummeted 94 cents. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index plunged 9.49 to 307.06. Secondary markets also closed down sharply.

NYSE volume amounted to about 250,440,000 shares, the third-heaviest trading of the year, coming in just after the 253,090,000 traded Aug. 2, when Iraq first invaded Kuwait. On Wednesday, 175,550,000 shares changed hands.

Thursday's action put another exclamation point after the market's current plunge, which began three weeks ago with the Iraqi invasion of its oil-rich Persian Gulf neighbor.

The Dow industrials opened for trading Aug. 2 at 2899.26. With their close at 2483.41 Thursday, the bellwether average has lost 415.85 points, about 14 percent of its value, over the course of 16 sessions.

By about 10:15 a.m., the Dow was down more than 70 points. While the blue chips bounced off their lows in mid-session, they resumed the slide in the last hour back down to the early lows.

The early plunge triggered the exchange's "uptick" rule, which effectively stops index-arbitrage related program trading in the stocks making up the Standard & Poor's 500-stock index.

There were no significant developments in the Mideast Thursday to precipitate the sharp drop, and analysts said it was precisely that vacuum which sparked the broad-based dumping of stocks.

"It was the absence of news that did it," said Monte Gordon, research director of Dreyfus Corp. "It enhanced the element of uncertainty. When something like the Mideast crisis happens, you look for positive signs, signs of dialogue. When you don't get them, you retreat back into your fears."

Gordon said it seems the market just cannot hold its ground in the face of the uncertainty in the Persian Gulf. "We're not going to get anything out of this market until there's a resolution. Nothing's going to happen as long as we have the threat of war," he said.

"The best thing we can hope to do is try to find a level at which we can hold our ground. I suspect we may be coming close to that. This plunge is beginning to show some climactic characteristics," Gordon said, noting the minuscule number of advancing issues and heavy volume.

If stocks are indeed finding a bottom, the market's ability to sustain it will depend on what happens in the Mideast, Gordon said. "At a certain point, the market will have factored in a war," he said. "I think we may be getting close to that. We seem to be discounting the worst at this point."

Alan Ackerman, senior vice president at Gruntal & Co., acknowledged the 6 percent plunge in the Tokyo market overnight had an impact on the market here but said that "world markets are wobbly because of fears of inflation recession, higher oil prices and a Mideast crisis that has yet to be defined."

On the trading floor, Eli Lilly was the most active issue, down two to 68 1/2. Philip Morris followed, off 1 5/8 to 41 3/8. Wal-Mart was third, off 1 3/8 to 25 1/2. Fannie Mae was next, down 1/8 to 26 5/8. General Electric tumbled 1 3/4 to 58 1/2, also in active trading.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T sank 1 5/8 to 30 1/2, IBM slumped 2 1/8 to 96 7/8, Merck plunged 2 1/8 to 76 3/8, and Procter & Gamble sank three to 71 1/8.

The oil issues in the average showed steep losses despite a continued rise in oil prices. Texaco plunged 3 5/8 to 60 1/8, Chevron plummeted three to 75 5/8 and Exxon fell 1 3/4 to 49 5/8.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 298,286,560 shares, up from 212,202,210 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices plummeted in heavy trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index sank 8.54 to 315.85. Declines pummeled advances 621-84 among the 882 issues traded. The price of an average share slumped 28 cents. Composite volume totaled 28,439,100 shares vs. 19,701,700 traded Wednesday.

Salomon's put warrants on the Tokyo market's Nikkei index led the Amex issues, up 2 1/8 to 18 1/8 after the precipitous decline in that market overnight. The warrants essentially function as bets the Tokyo market will

fall.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index plunged 14.62 to 360.22, a level it has not seen since May 1988.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 23) UPI - Thousands of mourners packed a North Philadelphia church Thursday to pay their last respects to Pearl Bailey, the throaty jazz-blues singer who ''stole the hearts of the whole world'' during her six-decade career.

More than 8,000 fans and friends filled the Deliverance Evangelistic Church and filed silently past Bailey's open casket, which was surrounded by flowers. She was dressed in a full-length satin and lace dress, appropriately blue.

''If she knew so many people were making a fuss out of her, she'd say, 'Louie, what are you doing to me,''' said Louis Bellson Jr., a jazz drummer and her husband of 38 years. ''It's just been an outpouring of love.''

Bellson was at Bailey's side last Friday when she suffered an apparent heart attack in a Philadelphia hotel room and died about 30 minutes later.

Spirited gospel music filled the church throughout the three-hour viewing and a 90-minute funeral service, attended by a packed crowd of more than 2,000 fans, friends and family members in the converted movie theater.

Mourners began lining up outside the church at 6:30 a.m., and at one point formed a line wrapped around most of a large city block.

''Pearl was love - pure and simple love,'' said Bailey's long-time friend Cab Calloway, who served as a pallbearer. ''Pearl was something you will never see or hear again. She left jewels of love to all of us.''

Recounting their four-year collaboration on the Broadway musical ''Hello, Dolly,'' the jazz legend said, ''Pearly Mae, Hello, Dolly, you'll always be here in our hearts, where you belong.''

The Rabbi Harold S. White, a theology lecturer and Bailey's mentor at Georgetown University, said his good friend had a ''mission to bring peace healing and justice to the world through God's gift of transcending love.''

Bailey received a bachelor's degree in theology from Georgetown in 1985.

White presided over Thursday's services, which included a number of uplifting spirituals, including a solo performance by Bailey's road manager of 23 years, E.B. Smith.

State Rep. Louise Williams Bishop read a letter from Pennsylvania Gov. Robert Casey to the Bailey family and gave her own eulogy on how Bailey ''stole the hearts of the whole world.''

''On August 17, the master gardener, the master landscaper looked down at his earthly garden and plucked himself not a rose, but an orchid, and that orchid now sits in heaven's bouquet,'' Bishop said.

Bailey's friends and fans from across the nation were among the congregation, including Maggie Sheerin and her daughter Cynthia of San Antonio, Texas.

Sheerin said she met Bailey on an airline flight to Washington, D.C., in 1981 and developed a close friendship with Bailey. Cynthia Sheerin, a senior theology student at George Washington University, said Bailey would often write to her, always signing her letters ''Aunt Pearly.''

''I remember best the time she sang a duet with my daughter (Cynthia),'' Sheerin said, adding that Bailey had traveled to San Antonio for a 50th birthday party for Sheerin's husband.

Bailey, 72, died last week after collapsing in a hotel room in downtown Philadelphia. She was in town undergoing therapy after knee-replacement surgery performed July 9.

Born in Newport News, Va., on March 29, 1918, Bailey moved with her family to Philadelphia in the mid 1920s.

After winning an amateur stage contest at the age of 15, she joined a touring stage show that made stops through Pennsylvania's poverty-stricken coal mining towns.

Bailey went on to sing in Noble Sissle's band in the 1930s, and with Cootie Williams and Count Basie in the early '40s.

Her 1944 solo debut at the Village Vanguard theater in New York led to her association with Calloway.

Bailey also appeared in a number of musicals, films and television shows, and was presented a special Tony Award in 1968 for her lead role in the all-black stage production of ''Hello, Dolly.'' She also appeared in a 1958 all-black film production of ''Porgy and Bess.''

After three failed marriages, Bailey married Bellson, a drummer with Duke

Ellington's band, in 1952.

Bellson was at her side Friday when she began complaining about her hands going numb and began hyperventilating.

She collapsed, apparently without experiencing much pain, and half an hour later was declared dead at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital.

Bailey had a history of heart problems, which placed her in the hospital numerous times but never dampened her spirit.

Following funeral services, Bailey's body was transported in a lengthy procession to Rolling Green Memorial Park in West Chester, where she was laid to rest beside her mother and brother.

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BOSTON (AUG. 23) UPI - Comfed Bancorp said Thursday it is trying to raise undetermined amounts of money from the federal government and private investors in a continuing struggle to keep its Comfed Savings Bank subsidiary open.

Also, Comfed Savings Bank, based in Lowell, Mass., said it signed a consent decree with the Office of Thrift Supervision which, while restricting its operations, will not keep it from continuing in its main lines of business.

The company, once New England's biggest mortgage lender, said it planned to apply for a government cash payment called open thrift assistance. Such aid so far has never been used to help an ailing savings bank or savings and loan to remain open.

Such aid to open thrifts is a possible way to limit the losses the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. would suffer if the bank were closed and the FDIC had to pay off all its losses, said David Barr, a spokesman for the insurance fund.

However, Barr added many banks have applied for the help over the past year and ''there are still issues to be worked out'' before any money will be forthcoming.

Also, Comfed Bancorp said Goldman, Sachs & Co., an investment banking firm it hired this week, began seeking private investors for the company. Among the hurdles to Comfed's receiving such help, Barr said, is the requirement that recipients be in states listed as economically depressed by the FDIC. Currently, Massachusetts is not listed so.

Comfed's chief financial officer, Samuel I. Parks, said Goldman, Sachs had a ''target list of potential investors'' and the banking company should get an indication of interest within 30 days.

However, he declined to disclose how much money the banking company hoped to receive from either the federal government or private investors.

''There would have to be negotiations between the bank, investors and the FDIC,'' Parks said.

Comfed Bancorp, with $1.4 billion in assets, also owns Comfed Mortgage Co. The parent company lost $5.9 million in the latest quarter. Also, the company reported its liabilities exceeded its tangible assets by more than $20 million.

Comfed Savings bank has 28 retail banking offices in Massachusetts and Connecticut.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.00	9.65
Anchor Fund Inv	14.10	14.96
Delaware Mutual	16.40	17.59
Fidelity Fund	16.04	16.04
Investors Mutual	10.71	11.28
Investors Stocks	17.46	18.38
Invest Select	8.17	8.60
IDS Equity Plus	8.53	8.98
Mass Inv Growth	7.78	8.39
Nicholas Fund	3.30	3.30
United Accumulated	6.27	6.85
United Income	16.31	17.83
Vanguard Wellington	15.70	15.70

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2493.56	2539.60	2459.41	2483.42	off 76.73
20 Trans	871.72	884.12	848.91	861.31	off 33.03
15 Utils	194.54	195.86	190.83	191.71	off 5.10
65 Stock	871.12	884.47	855.49	864.17	off 27.77

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	35,433,300	25,404,000
Trans	4,388,000	3,582,000
Utils	5,496,300	4,015,300
65 Stock	5,317,6000	33,001,300

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.44	off 0.23
10 Public Utils	90.89	unchanged
10 Industrials	87.99	off 0.47

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 135.02 up 0.69.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 429.56, off 2.81 percent. This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90235u1927 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday that the basic U.S. money supply, narrowly defined under the name of M1, rose $1.5 billion in the latest reporting week. The broader aggregates M2 and M3 also grew. M2 increased by $7.7 billion and M3 increased by $2.5 billion.

M1, which is made up of cash, checking accounts and NOW accounts - money that is available for immediate spending - rose to a seasonally adjusted average of $814.4 billion in the week ended Aug. 13 from a revised $812.9 billion the week before. Over the latest 13 weeks, M1 averaged $809.4 billion, a two percent rate of increase from the previous 13 weeks, the Fed reported.

The broader M2 measure of money averaged an estimated $3,299.8 billion in the latest week, up from a revised $3,292.1 billion. M2 includes M1, plus passbook savings, small time deposits including money market deposit accounts, consumer money-market mutual funds and certain other short-term assets.

M3, which includes M2 plus large time deposits, institutional money-market funds and repurchase agreements longer than one day at banks and thrifts, averaged $4,085.6 billion in the latest week, up from a revised $4,083.1 billion, the Fed said.

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#90235u1935 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 23) UPI - The five permanent members of the U-N Security Council have reached a tentative agreement on a proposal to use minimum force against Iraqi ships. As U-S Ambassador Thomas Pickering told reporters- ''We are making progress.''

The United States has said it would unilaterally enforce a U-N embargo against Iraq. But the Navy has stopped short of attacking Iraqi ships, apparently holding off until it has the backing of the United Nations.

Officials of Kuwait's government-in-exile are offering to pay for the U-S military operation from their oil profits. The cost is 28-Million dollars a day.

Oil prices surged to an eight-year high in London today and a five-year high in New York. Worry about inflation increased. Japanese investors, worried war might begin this weekend, caused stock prices to tumble.

Map stores say maps of the Middle East are the big sellers because of the new crisis. The owner of a store near Philadelphia says he was on vacation for two weeks and returned to find every Mideast map was sold.

A federal judge today ruled unconstitutional Guam's anti-abortion law... which was the most restrictive in the United States. The mostly Catholic U-S territory in the South Pacific had made abortion illegal unless the pregnancy threatened the life of the mother.

Government analysts have found that after years of relative poverty... the average American farmer is now making more than the average U-S household. But Agriculture Department researchers say more than half of farmers' money comes from off-farm income... such as investments.

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#90235u1949 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 23) UPI - A U-S congressman fresh from a visit to Albania said today that the Stalinist country is building walls around embassies in its capital to prevent a repeat of last month's mass emigration. Wisconsin Democrat Jim Moody said as the walls are coming down in the rest of Europe... they're going up in Albania.

Rain is raising the threat of flooding in the East. Meteorologists have called flash flood watches for the second day running in the northern panhandle of West Virginia and western Pennsylvania.

An 81-year-old man in a wheelchair was hit by a car while trying to cross the New England Thruway in the Bronx and died this morning in a hospital. New York police did NOT charge the driver of the car.

A Dallas jury today sentenced a 30-year-old man to life in prison for beating and repeatedly raping a woman while he videotaped the attack. Timothy Kehoe was convicted by the same jury yesterday of aggravated sexual assault.

Entertainer Bert Parks, absent from the Miss America pageant for 10 years, will be back next month. Parks will sing ''There She Is'' as the new Miss America is crowned.

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#90235u2005 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

RESTON, Va. (AUG. 23) UPI - Sprint International, US Sprint's global telecommunications subsidiary, and CPRM, Portugal's international telecommunications agency, said Thursday they had reached a collaboration pact.

The companies agreed to jointly explore opportunities to use existing cables to provide service between Portugal, the Americas and Africa. Alternatively, they will evaluate the possibility of developing a new transatlantic fiber-optic submarine cable.

The two organizations also agreed to work toward establishing an international consortium to obtain cellular franchises in target markets, and to evaluate establishing a company to provide services, including electronic mail, in Portugal.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., an international telecommunications company based in Kansas City, Mo.

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#90235u2007 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 23) UPI - B.J. Surhoff, Gary Sheffield and Mike Felder of the Milwaukee Brewers Thursday had their three-game suspensions for fighting last June upheld after appealing to American League president Dr. Bobby Brown.

Brown heard appeals from three players in his office Thursday, but refused to overturn his original decision. Each will miss three games, but not at the same time.

Surhoff's suspension will begin with tonight's game against the Yankees in New York, Felder's will start on Aug. 27 in Toronto and Sheffield's will

take effect Aug. 31 when Milwaukee meets the Baltimore Orioles.

Eight players were ejected June 30 after a 10-minute brawl was instigated when Brewers reliever Bob Sebra hit Seattle's Tracy Jones with a pitch during the Mariners 6-2 victory.

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MIAMI (AUG. 23) UPI - Eastern Airlines unveiled an novel frequent-flier program Thursday aimed at attracting coveted business travelers back to the struggling carrier.

Eastern said the program, dubbed ''Business Break,'' will offer free trips to Honolulu, Mexico and the Virgin Islands to customers who complete seven roundtrip flights on the airline between Sept. 2 and March 1.

The carrier said standard frequent-flier programs require participants to fly between 25 and 40 roundtrips to earn the same bonus.

Although open to all, Eastern said it tailored the program to appeal to business travelers who have deserted the carrier during its recent round of financial and operating troubles.

''You don't have to have a tie on (to participate). However, you have to be flying on a non-excursionary fare,'' said Eastern spokeswoman Karen Ceremsak.

''The qualifying flights also must be taken between Sunday and Friday of the same week, which means for the most part business travelers,'' she said.

''We want to build allegiance with the business fliers,'' she added.

Customers who qualify for the free trips can redeem those awards by boarding one of Eastern's special flights to Honolulu, Cancun, Mexico, St. Thomas or St. Croix. The dedicated flights, which will depart on weekends from Atlanta, begin Dec. 14 and continue through April 14.

Ceremsak said the dedicated flights offer an improvement over existing frequent-flier programs, because customers are guaranteed a seat during peak travel periods.

''What we've done is address the concern of the business traveler, to allow them to go when they want to go, in the peak season,'' she said. ''Most people want to go on a weekend, which is how we've structured this.''

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#90235u2118 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 23) UPI - The federal judge in the high-stakes computer software copyright battle between Apple Computer Corp. and Microsoft Corp. asked Thursday if the whole problem was simply a poorly drawn licensing agreement by Apple lawyers.

Apple, maker of the Macintosh computer, sued Microsoft and Hewlett-Packard Co. in 1988 for copyright infringement, alleging Microsoft's ''Windows 2.3'' software and Hewlett-Packard's ''New Wave'' software violate Apple copyrights on the way images are displayed on Macintosh screens.

Apple posed the unprecedented contention that Microsoft and Hewlett-Packard copied the overall ''look and feel'' of the popular Macintoshes.

The software industry was stunned by Apple's 1988 claims, fearing that if the Cupertino, Calif.-based computer company was successful it could stifle innovation by Apple's competitors. The Windows and New Wave programs work on IBM-style computers.

Many software writers use Apple-style desktop icons, such as files, trashcans and pencils, on the screen to indicate actions that a computer user may take to store a file or delete unwanted material.

In July 1989, U.S. District Judge William Schwarzer dealt a severe blow to Apple's case by ruling certain features of the Microsoft and Hewlett-Packard programs were partially protected by a 1985 license between the two companies and Apple.

U.S. District Judge Vaughn Walker, who has since taken over the case from Schwarzer, heard arguments Thursday on requests by both sides to resolve the case on merits without sending it to a jury.

Walker asked Apple attorney Charles Brown if the problem wasn't simply that ''Apple lawyers failed to limit Microsoft's use of features in Windows 1.0,'' the contract licensing Microsoft to use Apple software features.

Walker suggested the revised Microsoft software's use of icons with strong similarities to the Apple Macintosh program licensed under an earlier agreement with Apple may have been a ''problem of contract drafting.''

Brown conceded the licenses weren't ''done with the greatest artistry,'' but he added Apple ''clearly did not intend to give away the heart of its program.''

Walker also posed the possibility that the issues of Microsoft usurping the ''look and feel'' of Apple software may still be viable.

Walker asked Microsoft attorney David McDonald to assume that all the items listed as taken from the Apple system are covered by the Microsoft license. ''Can't Apple still argued that they still have a right to protect the overall look and feel?'' the judge asked.

McDonald said, ''I don't think so. We have a license to use the visual displays in any way we want.''

Walker said he was not prepared to rule on all the issues but would distribute a written ruling in the coming weeks.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 23) UPI - Directors of the financially strapped Los Angeles Festival, overriding a vote by fellow board members, have rejected a $30,000 NEA grant in protest of the agency's anti-obscenity stance, officials said Thursday.

The festival, the largest of its kind in the nation, refused the grant less than a week after the chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts John Frohnmayer, turned down a recommendation by his own advisory council that the controversial anti-obscenity pledge requirement be dropped.

''If the pledge had been dropped, we would have accepted the grant,'' Los Angeles Festival board director Maureen Kindell said.

Although ''an overwhelming majority'' of the board's 20 members submitted written ballots over the past two weeks to accept the grant, 10 members of the board voted unanimously to refuse the grant at a meeting Wednesday, the festival's executive director, Judith Luther, said.

Kindel said the festival directors refused to sign the NEA's required anti-obscenity clause, and therefore could not accept the grant.

With only two weeks before opening day, the financially strapped festival, a gathering of more than 500 artists from 25 nations, is still short of its $5 million fund-raising goal.

At a news conference Thursday on the steps of City Hall, Kindel said $12,000 of the rejected $30,000 NEA grant has already been made up by private contributions, including $1,000 in donations each from Mayor Tom Bradley and City Councilman Michael Woo.

''The Los Angeles Festival is about openness and being inclusive, and the

statement we have been asked to sign (by the NEA) is about being closed and and being exclusive,'' Kindel said in explaining the rejection of the grant.

Peter Sellars, the festival's artistic director, said the grant was turned down because the required pledge stems from ''a fear of otherness: political, sexual and racial otherness. The festival is a statement that Los Angeles and America are places where otherness is accepted and flourishes.''

Scheduled to begin Sept. 1, the festival is a massive gathering of artists musicians, dancers and other performers staging events that range from children's puppet theater to adult-oriented performance pieces.

Among the events festival organizers felt could be objectionable to the NEA are a play by Iranian-born director Reza Abdoh that involves transvestites and body builders and an art exhibit by AIDS activist and artist David Wojnarowicz.

At least a dozen arts organizations have rejected NEA funding to protest the obscenity oath requirement, including the Los Angeles-based Bella Lewitzky Dance Company and the New York-based New School for Social Research. Both groups have filed suit calling the requirement unconstitutional.

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#90235u2130 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein paraded Western hostage children in front of television cameras in what the United States called a display of "shameful theatrics" Thursday as Western nations faced a showdown with Iraq over a Friday deadline for closing their embassies in occupied Kuwait.

Saddam also used television for a renewed a call for Arab unity in an apparent effort at defusing his enemies' will to fight, a day before Iraq's deadline for closure of foreign embassies in Kuwait.

The United States, the 12-member European Community, Japan, Yugoslavia, Austria and other nations have said they will defy the order despite reports that Iraqi troops were prepared to surround their diplomatic compounds.

The United States sent a convoy of cars bearing diplomats from Kuwait to Baghdad, leaving behind a skeleton staff of 10 at the U.S. Embassy. White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said in a statement that the Marines at the embassy departed with the convoy.

Japanese public television reported that Iraqi troops had surrounded the Japanese Embassy in Kuwait Wednesday.

The Western countries have refused to accept Iraq's annexation of Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2, and have said to close the embassies would be a tacit admission that Iraq controls the tiny, oil-rich emirate.

Jordan's King Hussein, meanwhile, left on a Mideast tour he said was another diplomatic effort to avert a clash between Iraq's 1 million-strong army and the Western military forces gathered in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf.

Saddam offered no new initiatives in his statement, read by a spokesman over radio and television, or in his meeting with about 2 dozen hostages that was recorded and aired by Iraqi television following the statement.

Saddam urged Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak to help him redistribute the oil wealth from the gulf states - wealth he said had led to Western intervention in Arab affairs and led Arabs to stray from Islam.

He also claimed he had a tape recording of King Fahd of Saudi Arabia conspiring against Iraq with an unnamed Arab leader. He said Fahd is heard on the tape insulting Egypt's beloved late president, Gamel Nasser.

Later, Saddam was shown tousling the hair of hostage children and assuring their parents he sympathized with their anguish over being held at undisclosed locations in Iraq and Kuwait to guard against attack by Western forces.

''We have our children and our own women and our families and we know how you feel, but we are trying to prevent a war,'' Saddam said.

The Iraqi president, looking subdued in a Western suit, seemed almost apologetic to the foreigners, who appeared to be British. ''I hope you will forgive us,'' he asked, lamenting at another point, ''I wish we could have met under different circumstances.''

The collection of adults, children and teenagers looked glum as Saddam addressed them through an interpreter. Some fought back tears but others laughed nervously and joked with the Iraqi president, who insisted at the conclusion of the 45-minute chat that they pose for an awkward group photograph with him in the middle.

At one point, Saddam summoned one of the children, a British boy, to come to him. ''Are you getting your milk, Stuart, and your cornflakes, too?'' Saddam asked the boy through the translator.

The boy nodded in affirmation.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher remarked on Saddam's TV appearance.

''He is clearly more interested in shameful theatrics than in dealing with the principal issues: withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait and the safety of foreign nationals,'' Boucher said in Washington.

Secretary of Defense Richard Cheney said Thursday the United States was prepared to attack Iraq if provoked.

''If in fact there is provocation, (Saddam) would launch an attack on upon the United States or U.S. forces in the area, we clearly have a wide range of responses available,'' Cheney said. ''The president will make the decision on how we respond.

''We don't recognize the Iraqi annexation of Kuwait and I think most of us are determined to keep our embassies open,'' the defense secretary said.

Other countries stood firm as well, even though Iraq said it would treat diplomats as Western hostages if they remained in Kuwait.

Austrian Chancellor Franz Vranitzky compared the situation to 1938 when Nazi Germany annexed Austria and many countries turned their embassies into consulates.

''We will not repeat today in the case of Kuwait something similar to what happened to us then,'' he said.

ABC News quoted a ''very, very accurate source'' in Iraq as saying all foreign embassies would be surrounded by Iraqi troops if the missions failed to heed Baghdad's order and relocate to the Iraqi capital.

Kuwait's government-in-exile announced at its headquarters in Taif, Saudi Arabia, that it would help fund the U.S. military deployment to the gulf, estimated to cost Washington $28 million a day.

''We will do anything,'' said Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Saad al Abdullah al Sabah at a news conference in Taif, Saudi Arabia. ''We will give not only our money, our funds, but our blood.''

Boucher said the number of confirmed Americans detained by Iraq had reached 56 - 41 from Iraq and 15 from Kuwait.

He also said the State Department confirmed reports of four more U.S. citizens having arrived in Saudi Arabia, and two more who reached Jordan.

While standing firm against allowing U.S. and British citizens out of Iraq

immediately, Iraqi officials have given mixed signals over the week about their intentions toward other foreigners.

On Thursday, the Iraqi News Agency INA reported ''a number of French nationals'' would be permitted to leave. On Wednesday, the speaker of Iraq's parliament said Baghdad would release some French and Japanese guests to try to get Paris and Tokyo to reverse their support of U.S. policy.

King Hussein left Amman Thursday for the Yemeni capital of Sanaa in a swing through the Middle East that was expected to include Iraq in his latest diplomatic efforts to avert a war in the Middle East.

Yemen, the only Arab member of the U.N. Security Council, has indicated it would go along with the U.N.-sanctioned economic boycott but would seek compensation for losses incurred by the embargo.

On Wednesday, officials said an Iraqi tanker docked at Aden, Yemen, was stopped from unloading the rest of its cargo of oil. Lloyds of London shipping service reported Thursday four Iraqi tankers were anchored at Aden's outer harbor for supplies of food, water and general provisions.

Meanwhile, Hussein has yet to close Jordan's key Red Sea port of Aqaba to all Iraqi shipping. As Iraq's chief trading partner, Jordan gets nearly all of its oil from Iraq.

Since the invasion, Hussein, who is under pressure from the West to join in U.N.-mandated econonic sanctions against Iraq, has held talks in Baghdad with Saddam and in the United States with President Bush.

The five permanent members of the Security Council held new talks at the French U.N. mission Thursday to discuss the U.S. proposal that would allow the use of ''minimum force'' in the Persian Gulf to implement U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

The Security Council's sanctions committee also met to discuss a request by Jordan to be exempted from adhering to the sanctions. Diplomats said the council has agreed to put together a short-term package to help Jordan but details of such a deal are still unclear.

Jordan's Foreign Minister Marwan Kasim said in a letter circulated Wednesday night that his country would suffer financial loss estimated at $1.5 billion a year as a result of implementing the embargo against Iraq.

Jordan closed its border with Iraq at midnight Wednesday to prevent any more foreign nationals flooding into the country from Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Hussein said Jordan had received 185,000 refugees since the crisis began, with 42,000 of them arriving Wednesday. He said 67,000 had left Jordan.

Jordan said it could no longer accommodate additional refugees from Iraq, and would keep the border sealed until some 100,000 foreigners in the country had been repatriated.

Despite attempts by the Jordanian government to provide facilities, there did not appear to be adequate housing or food for the refugees, many of them destitute.

In Brussels, Belgium, the European Community granted an emergency fund of $1.3 million Thursday to help finance an airlift of thousands of Egyptian refugees from the Iraqi-Jordanian border home to Egypt. The West German government said it will send 4.2 million tons of food to the refugees in Jordan.

In Moscow, a Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman said Thursday Iraq had opened its airspace to allow an Aeroflot plane to bring home the last Soviet evacuees left in Baghdad.

Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al Ahmed al Sabah held talks Thursday with Iranian leaders in Tehran, the official Islamic Republic News Agency said.

An IRNA dispatch said al Sabah met Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani and handed him a message from Kuwaiti Ruler Emir Jaber al Ahmed al Sabah. The contents of the message were not immediately disclosed, but IRNA said the Kuwaiti foreign minister expressed regrets about his country's former hostility toward Iran and its support for Saddam during the 1980-1988 Iran-Iraq war.

The Navy, meanwhile, confirmed that a second U.S. serviceman was killed accidentally in the gulf region. Petty Officer 3rd Class Daniel Jones, 19, of Wakefield, Mass., was killed while performing electrical maintenance aboard the USS Antietam.

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BOSTON (AUG. 23) UPI - The Coalition of Northeast Governors called on the Bush administration Thursday to formulate a national energy policy that will protect the nation against another oil crisis.

The governors, citing the the Persian Gulf situation, said the national policy must focus on developing natural gas supplies, conservation and renewable energy sources.

It urged the administration to use the nation's Strategic Petroleum Reserve of about 600 million barrels of oil as a lever to crack down on oil speculation that is causing prices to skyrocket.

The coalition also urged the federal government to establish new standards that would require automobiles to have a fuel efficiency of 40 miles per gallon by the year 2001.

''The recent Iraqi invasion of Kuwait has again highlighted the vulnerability of the Northeast economy to disruptions in energy supplies and price increases and there must be a fundamental redirection of national energy policy,'' the statement said.

The policy paper was adopted by the governors of the six New England states, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

''This is now a very, very important issue of national security as well as national energy policy,'' said Gov. Michael S. Dukakis, chairman of the coalition.

''We have seen once again what can happen when we forget the lessons of the past. We once again become heavily dependent on foreign oil, especially Middle Eastern oil and then we run the risk of severe economic disruption ... at precisely the time when the country didn't need it,'' he said.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today sent the world two televised messages. The first... through a spokesman... called for Arab unity and asked Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak to help re-distribute oil wealth. The second message... broadcast on Iraqi television... showed Saddam visiting with a group of glum English-speaking hostages. Saddam told the group that he is- in his words- ''trying to prevent a war.''

Defense Secretary Cheney denied today that the Pentagon has told Jewish soldiers headed to Saudi Arabia that they have the option of getting new dog tags that do NOT list their religion. An Army spokesman says machines to cut new dog tags are often available but changes are up to individual soldiers.

African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela today blamed South African police for allegedly taking sides with Zulus and allowing tribal warfare. In one black township near Johannesburg... police opened fire on hundreds of residents after at least two rocks and a gasoline bomb were thrown at officers. Witnesses say officers fired into the backs of those protesting the alleged failure of police to protect them from Zulus.

In the past two election periods, political action committees for major defense firms have given more than five-Million dollars to campaigns for legislators on armed forces committees. The top recipient on the Senate committee was Pete Wilson, a Republican now running for governor of California. In the House committee, Democratic Congressman Les Aspin of Wisconsin received the most defense PAC money.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - Health officials predict this is the year when polio will be eliminated in the Western Hemisphere. So far, only four new cases have been reported in North and South America in 1990. The cases were in northern Mexico, Ecuador and Peru. The last case in the United States was in the 1970's. Since 1988, officials have conducted a heavy vaccination program in Latin America.

Hundreds of firefighters are being called to fight a four-thousand-acre blaze in pine forests in eastern Montana. Four separate fires caused by lightning over two days merged into one fire. It is the largest fire so far this year in Montana. More thunderstorms and erratic winds are forecast through tomorrow.

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#90235u2212 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 23) UPI - Actor Todd Bridges, the former child star of television's ''Diff'rent Strokes,'' was acquitted Thursday of charges he shot a drug dealer eight times inside a cocaine ''rock'' house last year.

A Superior Court jury found Bridges not guilty of charges of assault with a deadly weapon and simple assault after deliberating 1 1/2 days following a one-week trial.

Bridges, 24, wearing a brace on his upper body due to injuries he suffered in a traffic accident last year, hugged his attorney, Johnnie Cochran, then shed a tear and wiped his eyes. He also embraced his mother, Betty Bridges, who was also crying.

''I'm very happy it's over,'' Bridges said. ''It's been a year and half. I have a lot of plans. Most of them involve lecturing kids on drug abuse. I can show a lot of kids to stay off drugs or you'll wind up in my situation.''

''I thank God that he put me through this experience to help me get off drugs,'' the actor added. ''I'm an innocent man. But because I was involved in drugs, they put me in the wrong place at the wrong time.''

Bridges said he wants to pursue his acting career again and plans to write a book about the case and his drug experiences and turn it into a television movie.

Bridges was charged with shooting Kenneth ''Tex'' Clay, a convicted Texas drug dealer, eight times inside a South Central Los Angeles rock house, where the actor had taken large amounts of cocaine.

Deputy District Attorney William Hodgman said Bridges shot Clay Feb. 2, 1989, because he believed Clay was responsible for having his BMW impounded.

Bridges, who was free on bail throughout the trial, could have been sentenced to up to four years in state prison if convicted.

But jurors said the prosecution's case was not strong enough.

''I came with an open mind. But the prosecution didn't give us enough evidence to prove that Todd did it,'' said juror William Woods, 36, who asked for Bridges' autograph following the acquittal.

Juror David Berumen, 32, said he initially leaned toward convicting Bridges, but after discussing the lack of evidence with the other 11 jurors, he changed his mind.

''They showed me doubt,'' Berumen said. ''I was able to see that the prosecution hadn't proved their case.''

The trial was Bridges' second stemming from the shooting.

At his first trial last November, jurors acquitted Bridges of more serious charges of attempted murder and attempted voluntary manslaughter.

However, that jury deadlocked 8-4 in favor of acquitting him of the assault count. A mistrial was declared and prosecutors decided to retry him on the charge.

At the first trial he testified that he did not remember shooting Clay because he was so heavily under the influence of cocaine following a four-day drug binge.

He also testified that after ''Diff'rent Strokes'' went off the air in 1986, his life hit a downward spiral during which he couldn't find work, lost $1.5 million to embezzlers, became suicidal and eventually started ''freebasing,'' or smoking, cocaine every day.

Bridges did not testify at the second trial.

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RICHLAND, WA (AUG. 24) UPI - The remaining equipment used to build two nuclear reactors that were at the heart of the nation's largest municipal bond default will be sold off for less than two cents on the dollar, the Washington Public Power Supply System announced Thursday.

WPPSS said Park Co. of Cleveland signed a contract to pay $1.6 million for equipment from the supply system's plants 4 and 5. The equipment includes pumps and compressors, heating and ventilation equipment, valves, instruments and electrical components that had an original purchase price of $100 million. Construction on plant No. 4, at the Hanford Nuclear Reservation, and No. 5, at Satsop, Wash., was halted in July 1981.

Cost overruns, miscalculations on energy projections and other problems led to the termination of the plants in January 1982, setting off a chain of events that caused WPPSS to default on $2.25 billion worth of muncipal bonds sold to finance construction of five power plants.

Plant No. 1 at Hanford and No. 3 at Satsop were "mothballed" - put in storage - after being partially completed pending a decision on whether to use them for future nuclear-related activities. Only Plant No. 2 at Hanford was completed. It produces electricity for the supply system's member utilities.

WPPSS paid about $2 billion for construction and equipment for plants 4 and 5. Parts suppliers and scrap dealers will pay about $54 million to haul the stuff away, said John Britton, a WPPSS spokesman. The money will go into a trust fund handled by Chemical Bank of New York for distribution to people who bought the bonds for plants 4 and 5, Britton said.

Britton said WPPSS began selling off material from the terminated plants in July 1982. He said the process dragged on because WPPSS tried to sell the plants to China.

However, Britton said negotiations with China fell apart following that nation's violent crackdown on student dissidents last summer. At that point WPPSS decided to get what it could from scrap and parts dealers.

Britton said WPPSS has an agreement with the state of Washington to restore the plants 4 and 5 sites to their original condition, but that will be put on hold pending a decision on the future of plants 1 and 3.

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#90235u2273 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (AUG. 23) UPI - A corporate jet carrying 15 people crashed and caught fire during takeoff at Houston's Intercontinental Airport Thursday, killing at least three people and injuring a dozen others, authorities said.

The twin-engine Grumman Gulfstream 1 was carrying 12 passengers and three crew members to New Orleans, said Airport Supervisor Frank Haley in the City of Houston Aviation Department.

The plane crashed on takeoff at 5:21 p.m., and caught fire, Haley said. Witnesses said the plane broke into two pieces.

Two of the injured were taken by helicopter to Hermann Hospital where they were listed in stable condition.

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#90235u2295 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - Tomorrow is Iraq's deadline for embassies in occupied Kuwait to close. Many nations insist that the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait is illegal, and vow to keep their embassies open. But embassy personnel NOT considered essential are leaving. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the United States will keep the ambassador and a skeleton staff on duty. But the Marines who guard the building have been withdrawn to Baghdad, Iraq.

Some congressmen say President Bush needs to be more open in explaining the moves against Iraq. Senator Joseph Biden, a Delaware Democrat, says the consequences of the new committment have to be explained. Representative Lee Hamilton, an Indiana Democrat and chairman of a Foreign Affairs subcommittee, said the administration persuaded him NOT to hold hearings.

The Soviet Union today reported that Soviet troops were attacked by Armenians near their border with Azerbaijan... leaving 50 extremists dead and more than 100 wounded. Soviet television said 800 Armenian fighters fought the soldiers for 10 hours Tuesday. The report showed a village which appeared to have been destroyed. Soviet Interior Ministry troops were deployed today... even as the Armenian Parliament declared independence.

An explosion and fire at an oil refinery in Deer Park, Texas, injured three workers today. One was burned over 23 percent of his body and was flown to a Houston hospital. Officials say there was a ''chemical release'' in the distilling unit of the Shell Oil refinery. Shortly after, the explosion and fire followed. Flames shot 75 feet into the air.

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#90235u2330 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 23) UPI - A federal judge today upheld the government's takeover of the failed Lincoln Savings and Loan... ruling that the actions of the executives of its parent company ''amounted to a looting'' of the thrift. U-S District Judge Stanley Sporkin in Washington dismissed a challenge of the seizure filed by Charles Keating... the former chairman of Lincoln's parent company.

There's a new Air Force One. A Boeing 747-200 outfitted for use by President Bush is being flown to Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland today. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says he does NOT know when Bush will make his first flight. Another 747 for presidential trips is to be finished next spring. The old presidential plane, a 707, had been in use for 17 years.

Hundreds of people are flocking to a home in San Antonio each night to visit a tree on which some say they see the image of Jesus Christ cast by evening shadows. Luis Rodriguez said today that his nine-year-old grandson pointed out the phenomena four days ago. Rodriguez says the image appears after 8:45 each night... and many people have prayed under the tree.

Researchers reported today that replacing a defective gene in colon cancer cells can halt their growth in the test tube. Researchers from Johns Hopkins and Case Western university announced in Washington that the ''p-53'' gene plays a key role in suppressing cancerous growth in the colon. Understanding how the gene works may one day lead to drugs that would mimic it and possibly slow colon cancer growth.

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#90235u2349 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 24) UPI - Proctor-Silex announced the voluntary recall Thursday of an estimated 800,000 discontinued Proctor-Silex, Sears and J.C. Penney brand automatic drip coffeemakers because the products pose a potential fire hazard.

The recall of certain products made in 1985 and 1986 includes Proctor-Silex coffeemakers with model numbers that begin with A4 or A5 and series numbers that end with 58 or 68.

Recalled Sears Counter Craft and Sears Kenmore coffeemakers include models 360.480293 and 360.480272. The company said the last digit may vary. Recalled J.C. Penney coffeemakers include the model number 784-2178H or G and a C number ending in 58 or 68. The recalled products are not repairable and owners should unplug the identified items.

The company said it believed that thermostats and thermal fuses bought by

Proctor-Silex for use in the coffeemakers may malfunction and overheat. The company estimated that about 800,000 of the coffee makers are in use. Owners of these coffee makers should call 1-800-341-3333 for more information.

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#90235u2371 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
SIBIU, ROMANIA (AUG. 23) UPI - Nicu Ceausescu, the youngest son of the former Romanian dictator, was released from prison Thursday due to poor health and is expected to remain free pending the outcome of his trial on genocide charges.

A military court ordered his release after a defense lawyer presented medical evidence showing the former communist youth leader suffered from a severe form of cirrhosis of the liver.

Attorney Paula Jacobs had contended that Nicu Ceausescu was so ill he might not survive his trial.

Closing arguments in the three-month genocide trial could come as early as Friday, court officials said.

The youngest and reportedly favorite son of ex-dictator Nicolae Ceausescu is accused of ordering security forces in Sibiu to fire on anti-government demonstrators during the December uprising that led to his father's overthrow and execution.

More than 100 people were killed in the Transylvanian city, where Nicu served as communist party boss.

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#90235u2425 08/23/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 23) UPI - Armed Mohawk Indians near Montreal have broken off talks with Canadian officials. The Indians accused army troops of moving onto their reserve, despite a promise NOT to intrude. An army spokesman says the troops only moved onto higher ground to get a better view of the Mohawks. The Indians are trying to prevent a golf course from expanding onto land they claim is their ancient burial ground.

A North Dakota judge has refused to delay a state trial for three former pilots already convicted in federal court of flying under the influence of alcohol. The state trial is to start Monday. In the state case, the pilots are charged with flying while intoxicated from Fargo, North Dakota, to Minneapolis. 91 passengers were on board the Northwest Airlines flight in March.

Two-thousand mourners packed into a church in North Philadelphia today to pay last respects to Pearl Bailey. Even more people filed by the jazz singer's casket earlier. Her husband, Louis Bellson, said- ''It's just been an outpouring of love.'' Jazz legend Cab Calloway, a pallbearer, said- ''Pearl was love- pure and simple love.'' The jazz-blues singer died last Friday of an apparent heart attack at age 72.

The Bush administration has approved construction of three telescopes on an Arizona mountain, despite the fact it is home to a rare species of squirrel. The government says the telescope project will be halted if more than six Mount Graham red squirrels are harmed within a year. The squirrel is on the endangered species list. Sponsors of the telescope project include the Smithsonian Institution and the Vatican.

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#90235u2665 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - A spokesman for the State Department says today's televised visit by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein with a group of about two dozen Western hostages was ''shameful theatrics.'' The group included children.

Saddam was shown tousling the hair of hostage children and telling their parents they were being held ''to prevent a war.'' Earlier, the Iraqi leader made a renewed call for Arab unity in a statement read by a spokesman.

Meanwhile, a number of Western nations face a showdown with Iraq over their refusal to close their embassies in Kuwait by tomorrow. The United States is among them. Today, a convoy made up of the Marine guards and NON-essential personnel left Kuwait... leaving behind the U-S ambassdaor and a small staff.

A report quotes what it calls a ''very, very accurate source'' in Iraq as saying all foreign embassies would be surrounded by Iraqi troops if they failed to heed Baghdad's order and relocate to the Iraqi capital.

At least three people were killed and a dozen more injured tonight in the crash of a corporate plane as it took off from Houston Intercontinental Airport. Authorities say the plane was bound for New Orleans... bringing oil rig workers home from the North Sea.

Scattered clashes continued today in the black townships near Johannesburg that have been ravaged by 11 days of inter-tribal violence that has killed more than 500 people. Police reinforcements were rushed in to one hard-hit area where 34 people have died in three days.

African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela says there's a possibility

he may meet with Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi for the first time since the conflict began between his supporters and those of the Zulu chief.

A much-delayed peacekeeping force from five African nations left Sierra Leone for neighboring Liberia today in a bid to restore calm to the West African country that has been torn by civil war for eight months.

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#90235u2675 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - Opening arguments were heard today in Painesville, Ohio, in the murder trial of cult leader Jeffrey Don Lundgren. The 40-year-old Lundgren is charged with killing a family of five in what former cult members have said was a ritual preparation for the second coming of Christ.

Firefighters called for reinforcements today to battle Montana's worst wildfire so far this year... a blaze that has charred four-thousand acres in the eastern part of the state. The fire began Tuesday night as four lightning-sparked blazes that merged Wednesday night.

A 24-year-old security guard at the Nevada Test Site was in critical and guarded condition today after being burned during a terrorist exercise. Officials say Robert Kegley was injured yesterday when a spark from his rifle set ablaze some camouflage material he drapped over himself.

Officials at Buckingham Palace say Prince Charles will have surgery on his right arm that he broke eight weeks ago when he fell off his polo pony. Doctors say the fracture has been slow to heal. The future king of Britain will be treated ''as early as next week.''

The first new Air Force One in 17 years touched down this evening at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington. An Air Force spokesman says the specially built 747 jetliner WON'T go into service until a few more practice runs are made... to make sure everything works right and the crew knows the set-up.

Roseanne Barr's ex-husband filed a multi-Million-dollar lawsuit against the comedian today in Los Angeles. William Pentland is seeking half of the assets he and Barr accumulated during their relationship, as well as alimony. The suit also seeks damages against Barr's current husband, Tom Arnold.

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#90235u2746 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - Workers at many embassies in Kuwait are leaving before tomorrow's deadline set by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. But most nations say they will keep their embassies open with only ambassadors and

small staffs on duty. A news report quotes a reliable source in Iraq as saying Iraqi troops will surround all foreign embassies in Kuwait tomorrow and nobody will be allowed to enter or leave.

The youngest, and reportedly favorite, son of executed Romanian dictator Nicolae Ceausescu was released from prison today due to poor health. He is expected to remain free pending the outcome of his trial on genocide charges. The former communist youth leader... who suffers from a severe form of cirrhosis of the liver... is accused of ordering security forces to fire on demonstrators during last December's rebellion.

Authorities say a corporate plane carrying oil rig workers crashed, split in half and caught fire during takeoff from Houston Intercontinental Airport tonight. At least three people were killed and the remaining 12 aboard injured. The plane... bound for New Orleans... was ferrying oil rig workers home from the North Sea when the accident occurred.

Two former Northwest Airlines pilots pleaded guilty today to North Dakota charges of flying while intoxicated. They were among three convicted last week of federal charges of flying under the influence. The two who pleaded guilty- Norman Prouse and Robert Kirchner- received suspended jail sentences and one-thousand-dollar fines. The third defendant, Joseph Balzer, is scheduled for trial Monday... although negotiations continue.

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#90235u2765 08/23/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - Former child actor Todd Bridges was acquitted in Los Angeles today in his second trial stemming from the shooting of a convicted drug dealer. Bridges was found innocent of assault charges. In his first trial last year, he was acquitted of more serious charges... including attempted murder. But the jury was deadlocked on assault. The 24-year-old Bridges starred on the 1980's television series ''Diff'rent Strokes.''

A moderate Southern Baptist leader says he canNOT rule out the possibility of a complete split with the fundamentalist wing of the church. The Reverend Daniel Vestal told a news conference in Atlanta the Southern Baptist Convention is operating under ''a cloud of suspicion'' because of its takeover by fundamentalists. Vestal was defeated by a fundamentalist in a bid to become convention president in June.

The Actors' Equity union says the producer of the London hit musical ''Miss Saigon'' will meet with the group in New York to discuss equal employment opportunity in his play. Last week, the union rescinded a ban on the star of the show, Jonathan Pryce, who portrays a Eurasian character. The producer... Cameron Mackintosh... had canceled the show's Broadway opening because of the ban.

Residents of the divided city of Berlin are relieved, but not overjoyed, that the two Germanies have set a date for re-unification. Both governments have agreed on October 3rd for union. An East German resident says whatever the date- in these words- ''It doesn't change any of our problems.'' Says another- ''We didn't care anymore after a while. We have other problems than to worry when exactly we should unify.''

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#90236b0003 08/24/1990 ~Business Wire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Advertising revenues for Times Mirror's Newspaper Publishing group for the five weeks ended Aug. 5, 1990, increased 0.6 percent to $143,577,000 from $142,759,000 in the prior year.

For the 31 weeks, Jan. 1 through Aug. 5, 1990, total advertising revenues decreased 0.9 percent to $985,744,000, compared with $994,608,000 for the period Jan. 1 through Aug. 6, 1989.

The cumulative results for 1990 contained 31 Sundays, compared with 32 Sundays in the same period of 1989.

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#90236b0006 08/24/1990 ~Business Wire

MOORESTOWN, NJ (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Computer Sciences Corp. (CSC) has been awarded an $18.7 million contract to provide the Defense Mapping Agency (DMA) with an automated worldwide product distribution system.

The system will enhance DMA's ability to control and distribute maps and related products to U.S. armed forces, merchant marine operators and other users around the world. DMA produces more than 83,000 maps, charts and other geodetic products, and has more than 225 million copies stored in U.S. warehouses and overseas depots.

When completed, the system will enable DMA managers to perform inventory control, order processing, warehouse and transportation management, forecasting, and customer and product usage analysis.

CSC's Integrated Systems Division will perform the work at its Systems Engineering and Integration Center in Huntsville, Ala. The award covers a three-year period.

With annual revenues of $1.5 billion, CSC is the largest independent professional services company in the computer industry. Headquartered in El Segundo, Calif., it is a major supplier of computer and communications systems and services to government and industry.

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#90236b0025 08/24/1990 ~Business Wire

INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - INB Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:INBF) and Homestate Bancorp Inc. today announced an agreement in principle whereby Homestate, parent of The State Bank of Salem, will be acquired by INB Financial Corp.

The announcement was made by INBF Chairman Thomas M. Miller in Indianapolis and by Homestate Chairman Rudolph W. Buchholz at his Salem, Ind., headquarters.

The State Bank of Salem operates facilities in Salem and Hardinsburg in Washington County and employs 41 people. It has a 29.4 percent share of the $220 million in total county deposits and is the second-largest bank in the county.

Under terms of the agreement, INBF will pay $6.1 million in cash to acquire all outstanding shares and warrants of Homestate Bancorp. The 1,899 shares of Homestate will be purchased at $2,685 per share and the three classes of outstanding warrants will be exchanged at rates varying from $1,685 to $1 per warrant. INB will also assume approximately $4.3 million in Homestate debt.

The acquisition is subject to a definitive agreement and approvals by the INBF board, Homestate shareholders and regulators. The purchase is expected to be finalized by the second quarter of 1991.

Washington County is located in southern Indiana and is the 63rd largest of Indiana's 92 counties. Between 1980-88, its population growth was 5.8 percent, more than four times the state growth and the 20th highest rate of all counties. The three-year compound growth rate in deposits was 5.6 percent compared to a state CGR of 4.6 percent.

Over the last five years, Washington County has experienced substantial employment growth, exceeding that of Indiana and the nation. Its unemployment rate as of 1989 was 5.0 percent compared to the U.S. average of 5.3 percent.

Among the major employers in the area are: Smith Cabinet Manufacturing Co. maker of Childcraft furniture; Tecumseh Products, Kimball International, ICM Krebsoge, Louisville Manufacturing Co., Helsel, Jean's Extrusions and O.P. Link Handle.

Homestate was formed in 1986 and it acquired The State Bank of Salem in 1988. The bank was founded in 1874.

INB Financial Corp., headquartered in Indianapolis, is the state's largest independent multi-bank holding company. The Corporation is parent of INB National Bank, Indianapolis; INB National Bank Northwest, Lafayette; INB Banking Co., Jeffersonville, and INB Banking Co. North, Chesterton.

Also pending are three additional acquisitions; Peoples Mid-Illinois Corp. (parent of The Peoples Bank in Bloomington, Ill.); Peoples Savings Bank of Evansville (Indiana), and FL & T Financial Corp., Columbia City, Ind.

Comparative highlights at June 30, 1990:

INB Financial Corp., Indianapolis		
Assets	$5,987,652,000	
Loans	3,979,871,000	
Deposits	4,693,269,000	
Shareholders' capital	415,536,000	
Net income for six months	15,970,000	
Employees	3,137	statewide
Banking offices	110	statewide
State Bank of Salem, Salem		
Assets	$ 73,000,000	
Loans	42,000,000	
Deposits	67,000,000	
Shareholders' capital	5,100,000	
Net income for six months	425,000	
Employees	41	statewide
Banking offices	2	statewide

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#90236b0038 08/24/1990 ~Business Wire

IRVING, TX (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The U.S. Department of Agriculture has notified Carrington Laboratories that after receiving its application, license No. 384 has been tentatively reserved for Carrington Laboratories and that the company may now manufacture acemannan as a biologic product labeled Acemannan Immunostimulant, for use in research studies in Texas.

In addition the company intends now to produce and sell Acemannan (Carrisyn) to pharmaceutical companies and others for administration to animals in field trials to evaluate the compound in animals, including animals which may subsequently be used commercially for food.

Companies which, after evaluation, desire to market acemannan will be required to register their proposed use with the USDA, and must first enter into a marketing and supply agreement with Carrington. Acemannan is an acetylated sugar discovered by the company and recently patented in 31 countries.

According to industry sources, there are over 100 veterinary pharmaceutical firms which manufacture biologicals and generate world wide sales of approximately $750 million.

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ANAHEIM, CA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Ropak Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ROPK), with headquarters in Fullerton, and Quality Containers Limited of Truro, Novia Scotia, jointly announced Friday that they have signed a letter of intent for Quality Containers to be acquired by Ropak or one of its Canadian subsidiaries.

The transaction is subject to the execution of a definitive purchase agreement and is scheduled to be completed on or about Sept. 30, 1990. Terms of the sale were not immediately disclosed.

Quality Containers manufactures plastic containers used primarily by dairies for the retail packaging of yogurt, ice cream and cultured products. Current sales approximate $3.5 million annually.

''This addition to our business in the Maritime Provinces of Canada will add a healthy degree of stability making our Ropak Can-Am operation less dependent on the fishing industry,'' said William Roper, chairman and chief executive officer of Ropak.

Ropak is a leading multinational maker of plastic packaging and handling products for foods, coatings and a variety of agricultural and industrial materials.

Ropak also distributes, for a company in which it holds a one-third equity interest, a line of test kits for the measurement of human eye and skin irritation potential from raw ingredients and finished formulations in cosmetics and household chemicals. Ropak has 10 plants in the United

States, Canada and Japan.

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#90236b0044 08/24/1990 ~Business Wire
LINCOLN, NEB. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Isco Inc. (NASDAQ:ISKO) has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per common share, payable on Oct. 2, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990.

This amount is unchanged from the previous quarter.

Isco manufactures water pollution monitoring equipment, including flow measuring devices, and is the leading manufacturer of wastewater samplers. Isco also manufactures chemical separation instruments for use in biochemistry and biotechnology research.

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#90236b0049 08/24/1990 ~Business Wire
SPOKANE, WA (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Key Tronic Corp. Friday announced its plan to establish an Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP).

The ESOP will purchase, from time to time, depending upon market price and conditions, up to a total of $1 million worth of the company's stock. The stock purchases will be made through open market purchases or a combination of open market purchases and private transactions (which may include purchases from LGZ Inc.). At current market prices, the ESOP would be acquiring approximately 2-1/2 percent of the company's outstanding shares.

Lewis G. Zirkle, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the company, stated, ''The establishment of an ESOP will allow all employees, through stock ownership in the company, to share in the opportunities and responsibilities of ownership.''

For the year ended June 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $1.5 million on net sales of $140.2 million.

Founded in 1969, Key Tronic operates facilities in Spokane and Cheney, Wash., Dundalk, Ireland, and Hsinchu, Taiwan. The company, a publicly held corporation, is traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol KTCC.

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#90236b0050 08/24/1990 ~Business Wire
LOUISVILLE, COLO. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Storage Technology Corp. Friday announced that Robert J. Luth has been appointed corporate vice president of financial planning and treasurer.

He reports to Harris Ravine, executive vice president and chief financial officer. Luth, 47, succeeds Carl R. Vertuca, Jr., who was recently named to the new position of corporate vice president of development.

''Bob joins us with both a strong financial management background and specific industry knowledge in telecommunications that is complementary to the information processing business. He will focus his efforts primarily on the company's banking relationships and on financial planning,'' said Ravine.

Luth was previously with Savin Corp. where he had been executive vice president and chief financial officer. Prior to that he was vice president, finance of Telesphere International Inc. and before that, treasurer of Tie/Communications Inc.

Earlier in his career Luth spent 11 years at Norton Simon Inc. in various financial management positions including corporate controller. He began his career with Deloitte, Haskins & Sells. Luth is a 1966 graduate of Susquehanna University. He is a certified public accountant.

Storage Technology Corp. manufactures, markets and services, worldwide, information storage and retrieval subsystems for high-performance computers.

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#90236b0071 08/24/1990 ~Business Wire
PORTLAND, OR/SACRAMENTO, CA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The completion of the acquisition of Mother Lode Savings Bank of Sacramento, Calif., by U.S. Bancorp (NASDAQ: USBC) was announced Friday by Bruce Roberts, president, U.S. Bank of California (a subsidiary of U.S. Bancorp), and Marilyn E.

Park, chairman of the board of Mother Lode Savings Bank.

State-chartered Mother Lode has approximately $111 million in assets and three offices, two in Sacramento and one in Auburn, Calif. The bank becomes part of U.S. Bank of California, currently headquartered in Eureka Calif.

''U.S. Bank is dedicated to a long-term commitment to Northern California customers, and the acquisition of Mother Lode is an integral part of our plan to meet the area's financial services needs,'' said Roberts. ''We are very excited to have this completed and to begin serving our new customers.''

Mother Lode branches begin doing business as U.S. Bank of California today and their signage is also being converted. Mother Lode customers will be well served by the ownership change, according to Mother Lode board Chairman Park.

''By joining U.S. Bank, we can now provide our customers with a broader range of products and level of services,'' Park said. ''U.S. Bank has an excellent reputation for community and customer service, and the management group brings new resources in terms of stability and professionalism.''

The acquisition of Mother Lode is part of a strategy U.S. Bancorp has taken to establish a leadership position in the Northern California market.

In 1989, U.S. Bancorp acquired the Bank of Loleta, with offices in Loleta, Arcata, Crescent City, Eureka, Ferndale, Scotia and Fortuna. This entity, now known as U.S. Bank of California, has current assets of $170 million. In July of this year, U.S. Bancorp announced an agreement of merger with HeartFed Financial Corp. of Auburn, and its subsidiary, Heart Federal Savings and Loan. Heart Federal is a federally chartered savings and loan with 29 offices in Northern California and assets of $902 million. Upon completion of the mergers, U.S. Bank of California will expand to 39 branches and will have approximately $1.2 billion in assets.

U.S. Bancorp is the largest financial services company headquartered in the Pacific Northwest, with assets of $17.7 billion as of June 30, 1990.

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LANSING, MI (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Michigan Bell's rate hike proposal should be rejected because it would hurt consumers, legislative leaders of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) in Michigan said Friday in announcing efforts to fight the proposal.

Michigan Bell wants to raise telephone rates for its 2.9 million residential customers by a total of $70 million a year while cutting long-distance rates. Residential customers' monthly telephone bills will rise by $2 or $3 per month; in addition, the charge for operator-assisted calls would rise from 97 cents to $1.65 and pay phone calls would rise by five cents to 25 cents.

AARP's volunteer citizen lobbyists oppose the Michigan Bell proposal because it would shift more of the costs of new ventures onto residential customers.

In an effort to be more competitive with other long-distance carriers, Michigan Bell wants to lower its charges for long-distance calls and make up the lost revenue by increasing phone rates for all residential customers.

King is skeptical about Michigan Bell's contention that residential local telephone service is priced below the actual cost of providing that service. "Without a look at the company's books, it is extremely difficult to believe the company's claim that residential telephone users are not already paying their fair share of telephone costs. Most people already feel burdened by telephone costs and can hardly believe they will have to pay more," King said.

AARP is urging state legislators to require Michigan Bell to fully disclose the way it allocates costs among various users, as well as provide funds for advocates who will intervene on consumers' behalf in rate cases. State law already requires Michigan gas and electric companies to provide funds for such advocates.

"The average Michigan citizen is up against well-financed and well-organized telephone company lobbyists," King said. "The Public Service Commission simply does not have enough money to scrutinize Michigan Bell's books. That's why it is so important for the company to make public the way it arrives at rates for local residential calls, long-distance calls and other services."

With 1.2 million members in Michigan, the American Association of Retired Persons is the nation's leading organization of Americans 50 and older. It serves their needs and interests through legislative advocacy, research, informative programs and community services provided by a national network of local chapters and experienced volunteers. The organization also offers

members a wide range of special membership benefits, including Modern Maturity magazine and the monthly Bulletin.

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TACOMA, WASH. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Weyerhaeuser Co. statement in connection with the reported financial loss of Hedged Securities Associates of Englewood, Colo.:

Our pension fund was one of many investors in a fund which was intended to be hedged, with resulting low risk. However, the fund manager appears not to have followed the stated requirements of the strategy during a recent time period. Only a small percentage of our total pension funds was invested there, and our pension funding continues to be very sound. Aggregate assets of the funds, as reported at year-end 1989, were in excess of $850 million. The facts in this situation are still unclear and since a legal evaluation is underway, we cannot comment further.

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Director - External
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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Reservists who are called to active military service won't have to make their consumer loan payments to Wells Fargo Bank until they return to civilian life.

Under the special plan, Wells Fargo Bank will defer principal and interest payments on all consumer loans for reservists while they are on active military duty. Consumer loans include home mortgage, auto, credit card and student loans and lines of credit.

''We hope this offer will ease the financial worries of our customers whom President Bush is calling up for active duty in the Persian Gulf crisis,'' said Carl E. Reichardt, chairman and chief executive officer of Wells Fargo Bank.

Applying for the deferral will be quick and easy. Reservists need only call Wells Fargo's 24-hour person-to-person service.

On Monday, the bank will announce the program in advertisements in 15 daily newspapers in California.

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PASADENA, CALIF. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Countrywide Credit Industries Inc. (NYSE:CCR) Friday announced that the company's board of directors declared a cash dividend of $.475 per Depositary Convertible Share, each representing 1/10 share of the company's $23.75 Convertible Preferred Stock for the period extending from July 18, 1990, the date of issuance of the Preferred Stock, to Sept. 30, 1990, payable on Sept. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 4, 1990.

Countrywide Credit Industries is engaged primarily in the mortgage lending business, originating, selling and servicing residential mortgage loans. Countrywide operates through a nationwide network of approximately 100 offices serving real estate brokers and homebuyers, as well as mortgage brokers.

Countrywide also operates through a correspondent loan program serving financial institutions in all 50 states and through a newly formed consumer division serving individual homebuyers and homeowners directly.

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Daniel Saks, 213/823-3622

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DAVIS, CA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Calgene Inc. (NASDAQ:CGNE) Friday announced a net loss of $7,440,000 (95 cents per share) on total revenues of $29,466,000 for the fiscal period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with prior year's loss of $6,812,000 (82 cents per share) on total revenues of $30,206,000. The 1990 fiscal period which began Oct. 1, 1989, includes nine months of financial results due to Calgene's previously announced fiscal year end change to June 30 from Sept. 30. The 1989 fiscal year includes 12 months financial results.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, Calgene reported a net loss of

$6,515,000 (73 cents per share) on revenues of $8,304,000. This compares with a loss of $1,651,000 (19 cents per share) on revenues of $8,087,000 for the like quarterly period in the prior year.

Calgene ended 1990 with cash and short term investments of $27.4 million down from $33.4 million at the end of 1989.

Product sales for the last quarter of fiscal 1990 were $6.3 million, unchanged from the comparable period in the prior year.

The current fiscal period includes product sales of $3.8 million from Plant Genetics Inc. acquired July 1, 1989, and from NobleBear Inc. acquired Jan. 31, 1990. Product sales from Stoneville and Calgene Chemical were lower due to shortages of proprietary cotton seed caused by adverse weather and price erosion in its commodity markets.

Cost of goods sold for the three month period ended June 30, 1990, increased to $6.7 million from $4.9 million in the comparable period in the prior year primarily as a result of increased reserves for lower value seed inventories.

Research and development expenditures increased to $4.0 million during the last quarter of fiscal 1990 from $2.5 million during the comparable period in the prior year.

Selling, general and administrative expenditures increased to $3.6 million from $1.8 million for the like periods. These increases resulted from the inclusion of the Plant Genetics and NobleBear financial results and approximately $900,000 in one-time charges associated with previously announced selected staff reductions and facilities consolidations completed in June.

Calgene Inc. is an agribusiness biotechnology company that is developing improved plant varieties and plant products for the seed, food and specialty chemical industries. The company has five operating subsidiaries: Ameri-Can Pedigreed Seed Co., Calgene Chemical, NobleBear Inc., Plant Genetics Inc. and Stoneville Pedigreed Seed Co.

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DENVER (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Hallwood Energy Partners L.P. (AMEX:HEP) Friday reported revenues totalling $22,824,000 for the three months ended June 30, 1990, as compared to $18,148,000 for the corresponding period in 1989.

Net loss for the three months ended June 30, 1990, was $11,808,000, or $1.51 per unit as compared to net income of $3,090,000, or 38 cents per unit, in 1989, Included in the loss for 1990 is approximately $9 million of onetime expenses related to a merger and acquisition completed by HEP during the second quarter.

In that transaction, HEP merged with Energy Development Partners Ltd., acquired the assets of Hutton/Apache 1982 Energy Income Fund Ltd., Hutton/Apache Energy Income Fund II and interests that were tendered in 16 other oil and gas limited partnerships.

HEP simultaneously completed a 1-for-20 reverse split of its units. After the transaction described above and the reverse split, HEP has 8,237,035 units outstanding.

Oil and gas prices averaged $16.60 per barrel and $1.50 per mcf for the three months ended June 30, 1990, as compared to $18.77 per barrel and $1.58 per mcf for the same period in 1989.

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LAS VEGAS (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Electronic Data Technologies (NASDAQ:EDAT) Friday announced Nevada State Gaming Control Board approval for a 45-day field trial of its ''MEGAPOKER'' linked progressive system on its gaming route in Nevada.

The field trial will consist of a maximum of 20 locations to be implemented as follows; 10 locations will go on-line for the first two weeks and an additional five locations may be brought on-line during each two-week period thereafter during the field trial. At least two of the first 10 locations must be located in Northern Nevada.

This is the first linked progressive system allowed to field trial in restricted route locations within the state of Nevada. A ''restricted'' location is defined as a location whose fundamental business operation is other than gaming and is permitted to have up to 15 slot machines in operation at that location.

''This product will allow restricted locations to offer their customers jackpots as high as $50,000,'' said Gaming Division President Ray Brown.

''This linked progressive will be installed on existing $.25 video poker machines without requiring the player to invest incremental coins. We are

hopeful that our customers will be as excited about this new program as we are.''

The company intends to begin the field trial with a turn-on of the first 10 locations sometime before the end of the fiscal year. At the conclusion of the 45-day field trial, the MEGAPOKER linked progressive slot system will be considered for final approval by the Nevada Gaming Authorities.

EDT is a world leader in the design and manufacture of computerized management systems for the gaming industry and also manages, through its wholly owned subsidiary, approximately 1,660 gaming machines placed in various non-casino locations in Nevada.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Inc. Friday withdrew its planned offering of common shares.

As announced on Aug. 13, Sun had offered to sell 5.9 million shares of common stock together with 1.1 million shares offered by certain shareholders.

''Financial market conditions clearly have deteriorated since we announced this offering, and while we are gratified with the reception our story has received from investors, we do not believe it is in the best interest of our stockholders to sell additional shares under current market conditions '' said Scott McNealy, Sun chairman, president and chief executive officer.

''At the price when we filed the offering, it would have been essentially non-dilutive for our fiscal year 1991, but that is no longer true. The decision to make an offering was based on a judgment that the longer-term gain for our shareholders outweighed the short-term dilution, but at the current price, we no longer believe that to be the case.

''We are examining alternative means to accomplish our objectives and do not plan a subsequent offering for these purposes.''

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

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TULSA, OK (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Penn Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ:PPAC) announced its financial position for the quarter ending June 30, 1990, the company's third fiscal quarter.

Penn reported a loss of $9,430 for the three months compared to a loss of $224,909 for the similar quarter of 1989. The loss for the year, or three fiscal quarters, was $391,915 compared with a loss of $522,678 for the same period for the previous year.

The quarterly improvement was the result of lower general and administrative costs coupled with interest income from the company's debenture that resulted from the sale of its real estate subsidiary, National Southwest Capital Group Inc.

The monthly interest payments of $23,333 from the Southland debenture were continually late and two months in arrears at Aug. 1, 1990. Penn notified Southland and threatened acceleration and litigation. A settlement was reached Aug. 19, 1990 and approved by a majority of the board of directors of Penn to accept three additional condominiums and $80,000 for consideration of 10 months interest payments.

Penn Pacific shares are traded over the counter under NASDAQ symbol PPAC.

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PROVO, UT (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - ATNN Inc. (NASDAQ:ATNN) reported a second quarter 1990 net loss of $439,488 or 6 cents per share on revenues of $8,038,834 as compared to a net loss for the second quarter 1989 of $60,087 or 1 cent per share on revenues of $1,671,790.

Earl K. Cook, president and chief executive officer, stated: ''During the second quarter of 1990, gross profits on Meadow Valley contracts were less than anticipated due primarily to revised estimates of costs to complete contract change orders that had not been commenced prior to the second quarter.

''Also, an arbitration board has ordered Meadow Valley to pay 85 percent of the cost of repairs to certain construction on a bridge contract which will amount to about $100,000. Meadow Valley has adjusted cost estimates

during second quarter to reflect this repair estimate. Operating results for 1990, exclusive of Meadow Valley, indicate a second quarter loss of approximately $117,900 and a year-to-date loss of approximately $222,300.''

Cook further stated: ''On July 13, 1990, ATNN entered into an agreement to dispose of Meadow Valley by rescinding our agreement for the acquisition of Meadow Valley, subject to stockholder approval. On July 16 1990, ATNN entered into agreements to acquire all outstanding securities of three companies.

''Each of the three proposed acquisitions is subject to various conditions and it is possible that one or more of the proposed acquisitions will never be consummated. If these acquisitions occur and the acquired companies continue to operate at their historical profit levels, the company expects consolidated revenues and income to increase substantially.''

Cook further stated: ''As a result of losses incurred by ATNN during the second quarter, ATNN's capital and surplus have fallen below the levels required by the NASD for continued inclusion of ATNN's common stock in the NASDAQ system. However, ATNN is currently taking action which, it hopes, will result in an increase in ATNN's capital and surplus sufficient to meet the required levels.''

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Roosevelt Financial Group Inc. (NASDAQ:RFED) announced Friday that Raymond T. Gusnard has retired as chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of the company and its subsidiary, Roosevelt Bank.

Gusnard, who is 63, said, ''While I feel fine, the calendar is against me, it's time for younger people to be at the helm.''

The board of directors has elected Clarence M. Turley Jr., chairman of the board of both Roosevelt Financial Group Inc. and Roosevelt Bank. Turley is vice chairman of the board of Turley Martin Co.

''It is with regret that the board of directors accepts Mr. Gusnard's decision to retire,'' said Turley. ''His steady hand and vision have served the company well during a period of great instability for financial institutions.''

Gusnard became a director of the bank in 1968. He later joined the bank

in 1975 as executive vice president and became the president in 1979. He has held the positions of chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer since 1983.

Since 1983 Roosevelt Bank has grown from $1 billion to $2.6 billion in total assets and is now the largest St. Louis-based savings institution. Gusnard will remain a consultant to the bank and a director. The board of directors also announced that the company will be managed by an Office of the President comprised of three officers: Charles M. Stout, president and chief executive officer; Stanley J. Bradshaw, executive vice president and chief operating officer; and Loyd W. Garrison, executive vice president and chief financial officer. ''The board of directors expects that the company will benefit from the unique strengths and talents of each of these three officers functioning as a management team,'' said Turley. Turley also said, ''This management team was assembled by Gusnard and is his legacy to the company.''

Stout joined the company in March of 1990 as senior vice president and manager, Real Estate & Retail Banking Group. He was previously executive vice president and chief operating officer of Heartland Savings Bank.

Bradshaw joined the bank in January, 1986 as vice president and chief lending officer. He became senior vice president and chief investments officer in October 1987 and executive vice president and chief operating officer in October 1988.

Garrison has been senior vice president and chief financial officer since October 1987. He joined the bank in 1983 as part of a merger with Northwestern Savings and Loan Association.

Roosevelt Financial Group Inc. is the holding company for Roosevelt Bank, a Federal Savings Bank. With $2.6 billion in assets, Roosevelt Bank is the largest St. Louis-based savings instituion. Roosevelt Bank conducts operations through 22 full service offices in Missouri and Illinois, including 20 in the metropolitan St. Louis area.

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CAMARILLO, Calif. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Everest & Jennings International Ltd. (ASE:EJ.A;EJ.B) announced that it lost $4 million (44 cents per share), and $8.1 million (89 cents per share), respectively, in the three- and six-month periods ended June 30, 1990, on revenues of $52.8 million and $102.8 million, respectively.

For the comparable 1989 period, the company experienced losses of $5.5

million (68 cents per share, including 11 cents per share from discontinued operations), and $6.6 million (81 cents per share, including 12 cents per share from discontinued operations) on revenues of $45.9 million and $89.2 million, respectively, for the comparable 1989 periods.

These losses have had a significant adverse impact on the working capital and cash flow positions of the company's domestic operations and its ability to obtain long-term financing.

Everest & Jennings also announced Friday that it has taken several steps within the last five days to improve working capital and cash flow shortages currently being experienced by its United States operations, including layoffs of approximately 55 employees at its principal domestic manufacturing facility in Camarillo.

The company has for some time been negotiating long-term financing arrangements with its primary domestic lender, but has not been able to reach agreement.

Everest & Jennings' credit agreement expired on Dec. 31, 1989, and the company has since obtained financing for its ongoing domestic operations through periodic cash infusions by Industrial Equity (Pacific) Limited (IEP) and through waiver and extension agreements with its primary domestic lender waiving certain loan covenant defaults and extending maturity dates under the original credit document.

The last such agreements expired on March 31, and July 31, 1990, respectively, and the company is now operating on the basis of informal day-to-day waivers and extensions. As previously disclosed, since Jan. 1, 1990, the company has borrowed $14.1 million under promissory notes issued to IEP for working capital purposes.

These notes came due on Aug. 15, 1990, and are currently being extended on an informal day-to-day basis. IEP has no obligation to advance further funds to the company.

Barre L. Rorabaugh, the president and chief executive officer of Everest & Jennings, indicated that the company will continue discussions with its primary domestic lender and IEP and that the actions now being taken are part of a concerted effort to trim additional costs and provide the cash flow necessary to facilitate a new credit agreement.

However, they are uncertainties inherent in the process and the company's ability to effectively continue domestic operations is dependent upon successful conclusion of such discussions. While recognizing that Everest & Jennings is facing difficult challenges, Rorabaugh pointed out, ''Everest & Jennings has been a leader in providing high-quality wheelchairs and related products to consumers for more than 56 years and

intends to continue doing so.''

''The actions we are taking now are an integral part of our overall plan to improve the profitability and competitiveness of the company and its products.'' Rorabaugh also noted that the company's foreign subsidiaries are operating at profitable levels and are exceeding their projected performance for 1990.

Everest & Jennings is engaged in the design, manufacture and distribution of wheelchairs and other durable medical equipment to worldwide markets, primarily in North America and Western Europe.

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WILMINGTON, MA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Altron Incorporated (NASDAQ-ALRN) announced Friday that its board has authorized the purchase of up to 150,000 shares of its common stock from time to time in the open market.

The number of shares purchased will depend upon the availability of shares at acceptable price levels.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Monoclonal Antibodies Inc. (NASDAQ:MABS) and Quidel Corp. have previously announced a definitive merger agreement providing for the combination of the two companies.

At that time, the companies indicated that Quidel was separately negotiating with David Blech, a private investor, for a $7 million equity investment in Quidel prior to the merger.

Today, Monoclonal and Quidel announced that Blech has advised Quidel that he is not prepared to proceed at this time with such investment.

Representatives of Monoclonal and Quidel indicated that they are involved in discussions with several potential alternative sources of financing. The companies stated that they continue to believe that the proposed merger is in the best interest of the two companies.

The companies added, however, that if adequate financing is not secured the parties will need to develop an alternative plan of consolidation, or may reconsider whether the merger is appropriate in view of the anticipated costs of the proposed transaction and related consolidation expenses.

Quidel is a producer of non-instrument diagnostic tests for the physician's office and home market. Its products are assays for the diagnosis of pregnancy, the prediction of ovulation and the detection and monitoring of infectious diseases, allergies and autoimmune disorders.

Monoclonal Antibodies Inc. is a biotechnology company focusing on the application of monoclonal and polyclonal antibodies for the development and marketing of non-instrument diagnostic test kits. The markets Monoclonal has targeted include fertility and infectious diseases.

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VANCOUVER, BC (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp. (NASDAQ Symbol: CLCDF; VSE Symbol: CLV), the registered holder of the trademark ''Clearly Canadian'', Friday announced that through Wesmark, a Master Licensee of ''Clearly Canadian,'' it has entered into a distribution agreement with Federated Distributors.

Under the terms of the distribution agreement, Federated Distributors will handle the distribution of ''Clearly Canadian Sparkling Mineral Water'' in Illinois and Wisconsin.

Federated has placed an initial order with the Company for 100,000 cases. Federated Distributors is the largest premium brand distributor in the United States.

Its Chicago operation employs 175 salespeople, who service over 10,000 accounts representing an estimated population base of 8.8 million.

Douglas L. Mason, President and Chief Executive Officer of Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp., ''We are very excited to announce the commencement of product distribution in Illinois and Wisconsin. Federated Distributors' demonstrated expertise in these markets will enhance ''Clearly Canadian's'' brand awareness in this region. Since Illinois

is the leading U.S. market for Canadian beverages on a per capita basis and the fifth most populous state, this development should contribute significantly to Clearly Canadian's revenues and earnings.''

Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp. produces and markets ''Clearly Canadian '' a line of natural and flavored sparkling mineral waters. Through distribution agreements, ''Clearly Canadian'' is sold in 30 states, all of Canada, Japan and England.

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GREENWOOD, S.C. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - United Financial Corp. of South Carolina Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:UNSA) Friday announced the board of directors' authorization to purchase up to 50,000 shares of the corporation's common stock in the open market or in negotiated transactions at such times and at such prices as management may decide.

Any shares repurchased by the corporation will be reserved for employee benefit plans. The corporation presently has 2,153,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

United Financial Corp. of South Carolina Inc. is a savings and loan holding company consisting of two subsidiaries: United Savings Bank Inc. of Greenwood, and Home Federal Savings Bank of South Carolina Inc. The subsidiary banks serve Greenville, Greenwood, Rock Hill and the surrounding area through 13 full-service and two limited-service offices.

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KIRKLAND, WASH. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - ProCyte Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:PRCY) announced Friday a net income loss of 5 cents per share for second quarter 1990 compared to a loss of 14 cents per share in the first quarter.

According to ProCyte President and Chief Executive Officer Joseph Ashley, the second quarter loss can be attributed to stepped-up research and development into ProCytes' proprietary therapeutic compounds. The company's compounds have been shown to accelerate wound healing as well as

trigger tissue repair and regeneration.

During the second quarter, the company expanded its research and development efforts from one compound, the Iamin compound, to five compounds associated with skin health, hair growth, and wound healing. The Iamin compound is undergoing clinical trials at three sites in the United States and one in France.

Ashley pointed out that ProCyte has incurred expected operating losses as it continues to develop into a fully integrated pharmaceutical operation. The company has increased research and development expenses from $915,329 for the six months ended June 30, 1989, to $2,058,484 for the same period in 1990. The company's overall net loss for the six months ended June 30 1990, was $1,088,027.

''We've made the decision to invest the dollars it takes to bring a successful product to market. Given the significant market potential for ProCyte's compounds, the company must invest now for future success,'' said Ashley.

During second quarter 1990, ProCyte earned $482,709 from contract research and development fees under a license and supply agreement with Schering Corp.

The company also received $315,000 from Ono Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd. of Osaka, Japan, for a six-month option to review ProCyte's Iamin compound for human wound healing applications. The non-refundable fee earned from Ono will be recognized ratably as revenue over the period.

ProCyte is a development stage pharmaceutical company developing a new class of compounds based on its patented core technology. Located in Kirkland, the company has 34 employees as of second quarter. At quarter-end, the company had $10.7 million in cash and marketable securities.

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DENVER (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Hallador Petroleum Co. announced a net loss of $512,000, or 1 cent per share, on oil and gas revenues of $926,000 for the second quarter of 1990.

For the corresponding period in 1989, Hallador's predecessor entity posted net income of $80,000 on oil and gas revenues of $628,000. Although revenues increased substantially in the 1990 quarter, increased expenses

associated with previously announced changes in the company's management and with the properties, staff and office facilities acquired in the 1989 merger led to the loss.

The 20 percent drop in oil prices and 18 percent drop in gas prices experienced during the quarter, in addition to a 28 percent reduction in gas volumes, caused revenues to drop by $337,000 from first quarter revenues. However the loss for the second quarter was $47,000 less than the previous quarter's loss as general and administrative expenses were reduced by $291,000 and other expenses were down slightly.

The reduced cash flow which resulted from the lower prices and production volumes, together with the borrowings associated with Hallador's previously announced purchase of an interest in the South Cuyama Field, has caused the company to be unable to pay in full the quarterly principal payment due July 2, 1990, under its line of credit with First Bank National Association.

Hallador management has met with First Bank to review cash flow projections and the company's plans to raise cash through property sales and the sale of additional equity and expects to reach a mutually satisfactory arrangement with First Bank to reschedule the amortization of the debt.

Hallador also announced that it has sold, effective Aug. 9, 1990, 100 percent of the capital stock of Carlson Petroleum Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of Hallador, to Bay City Minerals Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Bay City Financial Group Inc.

The limited partnerships and other operations of Carlson did not fit with Hallador's business plan, and the company believes the sale will streamline operations and allow management to focus on higher priorities.

Hallador is an independent oil and gas production company based in Denver. The company's stock trades on the NASDAQ System under the symbol HPET.

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BEDFORD, MA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Wellfleet Communications, a leading vendor of high performance internetworking products, today announced support for 4 and 16 Mbps Token Ring on its family of Feeder Node, Link Node and Concentrator Node multiprotocol router/bridge products.

The company also announced support for Source Routing Transparent (SRT),

the IEEE 802.1-defined standard for Source Route bridging in Token Ring environments.

With the addition of Token Ring support, Wellfleet now offers users a high performance internetworking platform that provides flexible connectivity across their mixed media Token Ring, FDDI and Ethernet environments.

For Token Ring applications, Wellfleet routes protocols like Novell's IPX and TCP/IP among multiple Token Rings, and between Token Ring and Ethernet networks, both locally and remotely. Source Routing is simultaneously supported, for IBM connectivity across the same building-wide backbone or wide-area network facilities.

Wellfleet supports Token Ring with the addition of Intelligent Link Interface modules, which fit into Wellfleet's existing Link Node and Concentrator Node products. In addition, two low-end Feeder Node systems are offered. The Link Node supports up to four Token Ring interfaces, while the Concentrator Node supports up to 13 interfaces. Each interface operates at either 4 or 16 Mbps, providing users with a migration strategy as their network grows.

Wellfleet provides standards-based Token Ring monitoring through its advanced network management platform, SNMP-NMS (Simple Network Management Protocol-Network Management System). Through Wellfleet's private enterprise extensions to the SNMP Management Information Base (MIB), users have access to critical Token Ring status and performance information, from a centralized network control point.

Wellfleet Communications is a leading provider of standards-based multiprotocol router/bridges designed for organizations building multivendor, multi-media enterprise internetworks. Based on the most advanced multiprocessor architecture available today, its products offer users the highest performance product in the industry, capable of sustaining performance levels regardless of the number of LAN/WAN interfaces or protocols supported.

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HARRISON, AR (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Arkansas Freightways Inc., a subsidiary of Arkansas Freightways Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:AFWY), announced Friday that it has asked the Interstate Commerce Commission to approve a fuel surcharge to offset the sudden and sustained rise in fuel prices.

If approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission, the surcharge would be

effective Aug. 30, 1990.

The surcharge is a straight pass-through of increased costs and will be continuously monitored and adjusted as the fuel price situation changes. Initially, the surcharge would add 1.4 percent to the cost of less-than-truckload shipments and 2.9 percent to full truckload shipments.

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CAMARILLO, CALIF. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Alpharel Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:AREL) Friday announced that it has completed the system and site requirements study for an imaging project at Caterpillar Inc.

Based on the study, Caterpillar has authorized Alpharel to proceed with the implementation of the initial installation of an Alpharel imaging system.

It is anticipated that system installation will occur in late 1990 and early 1991 with an evaluation phase in the first half of 1991. Based on the presently defined work scope, the contracts should exceed $1 million.

Robert Bruce stated, ''This contract is significant not only from the positive impact it will have on operations, but maybe more importantly, from the standpoint that another major company has recognized that Alpharel has advanced cost/effective solutions to image system requirements.''

Alpharel is a leading supplier of software-based system solutions for document management applications at both the departmental and enterprise (corporate) levels. The company, which was founded in 1981, has headquarters in Camarillo.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Overseas Shipholding Group Inc. (OSG) announced Friday that it intends to purchase up to an additional 1 million shares of its common stock from time to time in the open market or otherwise.

Such purchases will be made at the company's discretion, and will take

into account such factors as price and prevailing market conditions. OSG currently has 33,888,000 shares outstanding, after giving effect to the purchase of 1 million shares announced earlier this week.

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Alan Struthers, 212/869-1222

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LAGUNA HILLS, CA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Community Psychiatric Centers (CMY) announced the declaration of the regular quarterly dividend of $.09 per share, payable Oct. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 10, 1990.

Community Psychiatric Centers owns and operates a chain of acute psychiatric hospitals. These facilities are located across the United States, primarily in the western and southeastern sections, and in the United Kingdom.

The stock of Community Psychiatric Centers is traded on the New York, Boston, Midwest, and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

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Richard L. Conte, 714/831-1166.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Synopsys Inc. and Zycad Corp. (OTC:ZCAD) Friday announced an agreement by which Synopsys will acquire Zycad's System VHDL(TM) simulation business.

Closing is expected to occur on or before Oct. 1. Coincident with the acquisition, Synopsys has entered into a joint marketing agreement with Zycad Corp. and a systems integrator redistribution agreement with Zycad's Federal Services Group.

Under the terms of the agreement, Synopsys will pay $5 million in cash, an undisclosed amount in Synopsys securities and a future royalty stream for the System VHDL business. Synopsys has acquired the System VHDL technologies and source code, the development team and support engineers, product source code, and all rights related to the System VHDL customer base.

Harvey Jones, Synopsys president, said ''Acquiring Zycad's VHDL simulation business is a strategic move for Synopsys consistent with our onging commitment to create a high-level design environment for the design of

electronic systems.

Synopsys will continue to work with companies who have their own VHDL simulators such as Vantage, and those who have announced VHDL simulators, such as Mentor, Cadence and Valid. In addition, they remain fully committed to continuing support of their customers who use Verilog(R)

Zycad Corp. designs, manufactures and markets high-performance logic simulation, design verification and test-generation tools for the computer-aided engineering (CAE) industry, Zycad's simulation products consist of integrated simulation software, simulators based on the VHDL (IEEE 1076) hardware description language and very high speed, special purpose computers. Zycad products are used to substantially increase engingeering productivity in the design, development and test of sophisticated electronic systems and integrated circuits.

Synopsys Inc. develops and markets HDL, logic, and test synthesis tools for designing ASICs and electronic systems. The Synopsys tools support both VHDL and Verilog(R) for HDL-based design. Synopsys, with installations in over 100 companies worldwide, is the market leader in synthesis, one of the fastest-growing segments of the $2 billion electronic design automation market.

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or
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Bill Cibulsky, 415/688-7429.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - ERLY Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:ERLY) Friday reported net income of $1.2 million, or 44 cents per share, of common stock on sales of $108 million, for the three months year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $12,000, or zero cents per share on sales of $119 million for the first quarter of last year.

Gerald D. Murphy, chairman and president commented: ''this quarter's results were particularly encouraging in light of the fact that shipments to Iraq were 27 percent of our total rice shipments vs. 48 percent in last year's first quarter. In March, we anticipated that, because of the uncertainty of future GSM funding for rice sales to Iraq, we should diversify our sales to other export markets.

''We continue to be confident that if rice shipments to Iraq are

prohibited, we will be able to replace that market with other export markets.''

Comet Rice, the company's rice milling subsidiary, reported an operating profit of $5.2 million on sales of $66 million for the current quarter, compared with an operating profit of $5.8 million on sales of $74 million for the comparable quarter of last year.

ERLY Juice, the company's juice processing business, reported an operating profit of $1.2 million on sales of $30 million for the current quarter, a favorable increase from an operating loss of $153,000 on sales of $35 million for the quarter ended June 1989.

ERLY, in conjunction with American Rice Inc., is working towards the completion of the Comet Rice/American Rice merger. The completion of this transaction is subject to American Rice shareholder approval and refinancing of both companies' existing debt.

ERLY Industries is engaged primarily in the food processing business, with rice and juice its principal food product lines.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Double Helix Films Inc. (NASDAQ:DHFI), a party to a merger agreement among Odyssey Entertainment Ltd. (NASDAQ:ODYY) and Communications and Entertainment Corp. (''ComEnt''), announced Friday that it has entered into an agreement to license the distribution of 12 films with a Japanese distributor for fees in excess of $1 million and has received further assurances for the distribution of additional films from Double Helix's 70-film library.

The proceeds from this sale will be received during the balance of 1990 and the first six months of 1991.

Jerry Silva, chairman of Double Helix, stated, ''The agreement represents the single-largest distribution contract in the history of the company and is a significant expansion of Double Helix's licensing of distribution rights to films in Japan.''

J. David Marks, chief executive officer of Odyssey, stated ''The agreement is consistent with the goals to be pursued by Odyssey and Double Helix after the merger for the growth of its business and will strengthen the abilities of the companies to continue to service a broad range of the motion-picture industry.''

The merger agreement provides that Double Helix and Odyssey will survive as wholly owned subsidiaries of ComEnt. The consummation of the mergers is subject to approval of the merger agreement by the stockholders of Odyssey and Double Helix and Special Meetings of Stockholders for both companies will be held on Sept. 6, 1990.

Double Helix, based in New York, is engaged primarily in the distribution of low- and medium-budget feature films, principally licensing movies for the home video market outside the United States nd Canada.

Odyssey, based in Los Angeles, is engaged primarily in licensing the distribution rights to American and foreign feature-length films in foreign markets and has produced, co-produced or provided financing for feature films.

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Stanley Wakefield, 212/727-2000.

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FORT LEE, NJ (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - On-Line Software International Inc. Friday announced ShareOption/5 for concurrent CICS and batch access to VSAM data.

ShareOption/5, a product of On-Line Software, offers the first real solution to VSAM's limited sharing capabilities by centralizing all VSAM access for shared datasets and maintaining full data integrity.

By enabling the sharing of VSAM data sets, new choices exist in how applications can be run. MIS departments can now better service the needs of their organization. ShareOption/5 offers a transparent solution designed to provide complete data sharing for the MVS environment. File-sharing can be implemented without any application changes.

''Growth and the evolving business environment demand greater access to data whether on-line or batch. VSAM's limitations have pitted CICS against batch. By allowing concurrent access to VSAM data, ShareOption/5 resolves that problem,'' said Ron DeFalco, director of development, On-Line Software.

ShareOption/5 offers the operational flexibility of running batch and CICS applications concurrently 24-hours a day. Additionally, datasets can be shared among multiple CICS regions without MRO overhead.

ShareOption/5 provides efficient and cost-effective revitalization of VSAM environments. ShareOption/5 is available for $49,000 for an MVS license

fee.

On-Line Software International Inc., is a NYSE company (OSI) headquartered in Fort Lee. The 21 year-old firm combines consulting and educational services with CICS, DB2 productivity software, and development systems products that enhance the productivity of IBM computer systems users.

As a Charter Vendor Member of the International DB2 Users Group and a Founding Member of R/AD, the International User Group for Repository and AD/Cycle, On-Line Software supports the IBM user community. With 15 domestic and international offices, On-Line Software's distribution network services over 25 countries. The company is an IBM Business Partner that has products and professional services utilized by all Fortune 100 IBM mainframe sites.

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COSTA MESA, CA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - CIMCO Inc. (NASDAQ:CIMC) Friday reported improved sales and earnings for its first quarter ended July 31, 1990.

For the three-month period, CIMCO's net income rose to $375,808, or 12 cents per share, from a loss of $74,005, or 2 cents per share, for the same period last year.

Sales for the quarter rose to $14,489,716 from $11,330,360 a year ago.

Russell T. Gilbert, CIMCO's president and chief executive officer, attributed the turnaround to increased utilization of plant capacity, combined with strong orders across the spectrum of industries served by the company.

''We are beginning to realize the positive benefits of the emphasis we placed on enhancing our sales and marketing efforts to further broaden our customer base,'' Gilbert said.

''At the same time, we are cognizant that there is room for improvement in our operating margins. As our new sales thrust continues and manufacturing productivity rises, we expect to see the results of those efforts reflected in our financial performance throughout the balance of the year.''

Gilbert added, ''While events in the Middle East and talk of a U.S.

recession are unsettling at best, it is important to note several factors inherent in CIMCO working in our favor: 1) Our raw-material costs at this time are largely unaffected by increases in the price of world oil because of long-term contracts with our suppliers; 2) Orders from our diversified customer base appear to be steady or rising, and the backlog is holding strong; 3) Although we are beginning to see some price pressure from our customers, improved internal controls and quality management systems now being implemented will enable us to more closely control critical cost factors which will permit us to maintain price competitiveness and simultaneously improve margins.''

Founded in 1959, CIMCO is a major manufacturer of high-precision thermoplastic custom products and custom polymeric compounds used by more than 100 original equipment manufacturers in the electronics, computer, transportation, health-care and defense industries.

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METHUEN, MA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Parlex Corporation today reported sales of $7,925,297 for its fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This represents a 9 percent increase over sales of $7,294,310 reported for the same quarter a year ago and 4 percent higher than the immediately preceding quarter. The net loss for the current fourth quarter was $260,621, or $0.11 a share, a reduction in net losses of nearly 50 percent from the third quarter of this fiscal year. This also represnts a 32 percent improvement over last year's net loss from continuing operations of $386,105 or $0.15 per share. The Company also recognized a net profit from a discontinued operation of $53,873, or $0.01 per share for the period ended June 30, 1989, for a combined loss of $332,232, or $0.14 per share.

For the twelve months ended June 30, 1990, sales were $29,944,149 against sales of $32,900,678 at this same time last year. The net loss was $1,303,291, or $0.55 per share, a 24 percent reduction over last year's net loss of $1,722,229, or $0.70 per share from continuing operations. In addition, last year the Company also recognized a loss of $457,171, or $0.19 per share from the discontinued operation for a combined loss of $2,179,400 or $0.89 per share in 1989.

The backlog as of June 30, 1990 was $17 million, a 30 percent increase from the $13 million reported a year ago.

The balance sheet remains strong with a current ratio of 2.5:1 and no borrowings against the revolving loan agreement.

Parlex is a leader in the design and manufacture of interconnection and packaging products for semiconductors and electronic components. Its custom product line of flexible printed circuits and flexible-rigid multilayers (Flexilayers) can include the assembly of surface mount components. Parlex also manufactures custom laminated cable and complex rigid multilayer circuits. Its facilities are located in Methuen, Massachusetts; Salem, New Hampshire and Carson City, Nevada.

Parlex is unique in the industry for its ability to provide a complete range of services for its entire product line, including CAD design, manufacturing, assembly and computerized testing. These cost-effective, versatile, reliable and innovative products are sold to original equipment manufacturers in the communications, computer, military-aerospace, medical automotive and other industrial electronics industries.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Richard A. Bernstein, chairman and chief executive officer of Western Publishing Group Inc. (OTC:WPGI) announced Friday that the board of directors of the company has authorized the company, at its discretion, to purchase on the open market, up to 200,000 shares of its common stock at any time within the next twelve months.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Hot on the heels of King World's history making deal in Los Angeles on KABC-TV, King World announced Friday the prime access renewal of ''WHEEL OF FORTUNE'' and ''JEOPARDY!,'' the two most powerful shows in syndication, on KGO-TV, the ABC owned-and-operated station in San Fransisco.

The announcement was made Friday by Roger King, chairman of King World Productions Inc.

King stated, ''KGO-TV in San Fransisco, like their sister station KABC-TV in Los Angeles, wants to ensure that their station will be a dominant force in the market throughout the 1990's. There is no question that double access is their future, and ''WHEEL OF FORTUNE'' and ''JEOPARDY!'' are the two shows to have in access to ensure a strong position in the marketplace. This renewal is another exclamation of the continuous confidence in the ongoing strength of these two shows and we expect to announce additional long term renewals.''

King World is the leading distributor of first run programming, including WHEEL OF FORTUNE, JEOPARDY! and THE OPRAH WINFREY SHOW, the three highest rated series in first run syndication, and INSIDE EDITION, the sixth highest rated syndicated strip which the company also produces.

King World also distributes its own library of 68 feature films and 210 television programs, and through its barter subsidiary, Camelot Entertainment Sales Inc., sells national advertising for King World and The Disney Co. television programming. In addition, King World is the owner of WIVB-TV, the CBS affiliate in Buffalo, N.Y.

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EL SEGUNDO, CA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Computer Sciences Corp.'s (NYSE: CSC) agreement with the state of New Jersey to service automobile-insurance policies has been extended through September 1993.

Under the new agreement, CSC will be the largest servicing carrier in the program and will assume some of the work done by Electronic Data Systems (EDS), a previous carrier.

CSC is one of several companies that began working in March 1989 for the New Jersey Automobile Full Insurance Underwriting Association, better known as the Joint Underwriting Association (JUA), to serve drivers unable to get coverage in the private insurance market.

This October, the JUA will be replaced by a new organization - the Market Transition Facility (MTF) - created by Governor Florio's FAIR act of 1990. It provides a temporary holding facility for drivers previously insured by JUA and others who are unable to obtain auto insurance through ordinary channels through September 1993. At that time, the program will end.

CSC will provide its current range of services through September 1992 and then begin a 12-month phase-out as the program closes.

Under the agreement, CSC will continue to perform most of the functions of a private insurer, conducting underwriting reviews, issuing policies and collecting premiums, paying agent commissions and adjusting and paying claims on policies issued by the company, with the exception of bearing the financial underwriting risk of the policies issued.

The company's Health and Administrative Services Division supports the program at its Mt. Laurel Township, N.J. headquarters. It also operates a northern New Jersey claims facility in Parsippany, N.J.

With some 22,000 employees worldwide and annual revenues of $1.5 billion, CSC provides a broad range of professional services to industry and government. Its corporate offices are in the Los Angeles suburb of El Segundo.

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HUNT VALLEY, MD (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - McCormick & Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: MCCRK) Friday announced a new repurchase program to buy back up to two million shares of the company's outstanding stock from time to time on the open market. The company's most recent repurchase program (approximately 2.1 million shares) announced Sept. 18, 1989 has been completed.

Charles P. McCormick Jr., chairman and CEO stated, "We remain committed to building upon the financial results we've achieved over the last two years and we believe out stock continues to have excellent long term investment potential."

McCormick is the international producer of seasonings, flavorings, and specialty foods.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - EnviroSource, Inc. (NASDAQ:ENSO) announced Friday that its subsidiary, Conversion Systems, Inc. (''CSI''), had been awarded a contract by a major Texas-based utility to provide the flue gas desulfurization (''FGD'') scrubber sludge system for the utility's new steam electric generating station in central Texas.

CSI will begin engineering work on the project immediately.

Under the terms of the contract, CSI will design and engineer the facility to stabilize waste from ''wet'' scrubbers for two new 750 megawatt units under construction at the station. The system will be capable of processing up to 3.9 million tons of material annually.

''This contract award confirms CSI's leading position in the FGD waste stabilization industry,'' Louis A. Guzzetti, Jr., President and CEO of EnviroSource said. ''During the late 1970's and early 1980's, CSI received awards for approximately 70 percent of the FGD waste stabilization plants constructed in the U.S. We believe that CSI is well positioned to capture a major share of the waste stabilization units expected to be installed due to pending 'Acid Rain' legislation. Approximately 50 utility plants are expected to retrofit their facilities with wet scrubbers under the proposed legislation.''

EnviroSource supplies industrial customers with long-term, specialized services, primarily the recycling, handling, stabilization or landfilling of environmentally sensitive wastes or by-products.

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KINGSTON, NY (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - National Micronetics Inc. (NASDAQ: NMIC), announced the appointment of Robert C. Ristagno as president and chief executive officer of the company. Ristagno was elected chief financial officer and treasurer of the company in March 1989 and vice president and controller in March 1987.

Prior to joining the company, Ristagno had several years of executive financial experience with two privately held companies as well as GCA Corp. and Polaroid Corp. Ristagno is a CPA and held various positions in public accounting.

National Micronetics is a major independent magnetic recording head manufacturer for the disk drive industry.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Consumers interested in having the convenience and safety a cellular telehone can provide will now have greater access to phone equipment and service through new agreements between L.A. Cellular Telephone Co. and more than 180 Los Angeles area mass merchandise retail outlets.

Participating retailers include Sears, Montgomery Ward, Pep Boys, Firestone, Circuit City, and Silo stores. Each outlet will feature standing displays, informational brochures, and live phones for consumer trial in all stores in Los Angeles, Ventura, Orange, San Bernardino, and Riverside counties.

According to L.A. Cellular, those new retail outlets are part of a growing trend to expanded availability of cellular equipment and technology. "As the demand for cellular service continues to increase, it is crucial that consumers have convenient choices on where to shop for their service and equipment," said Michael Heil, president of L.A. Cellular.

A report released earlier this year by the Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association (CTIA) supports Heil's statement. The CTIA predicted that the sales of cellular telephones through mid-1991 could increase from 2.6 million to more than four million units.

In a related announcement, L.A. Cellular announced that Pep Boys stores will feature Spanish language point-of-sale information, distinguishing them as the first cellular retailer in the Los Angeles area to have these materials available.

"We believe the alliances with these well-known and respected retailers speaks well of L.A. Cellular's service," Heil said. "Their proven track record in service and quality helps us reach out to additional customers with the message that cellular telephones can be important business and personal communication tools and are handy in roadside emergencies."

CONTACT: Rogers & Associates, Los Angeles, Russell Bell or Manuel Camargo, (213) 552-6922.

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NEWPORT, KY (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - NS Group Inc. (NYSE:NSS) announced that on Thursday, Aug. 23, 1990, its board of directors authorized a quarterly dividend payment in the amount of 3 cents per share for common shareholders of record on Sept. 6, 1990, payable on Sept. 28, 1990.

This is the company's sixth consecutive quarterly dividend since adopting a dividend paying policy in May of 1989. The company recently announced fiscal 1990 third quarter earnings of $3.3 million, or 24 cents per share

on sales of $64.2 million. For the fiscal nine month period, earnings were $9.7 million, or 72 cents per share on sales of $183.0 million.

NS Group Inc. is a holding company that owns four operating subsidiaries: Newport Steel Corp., a tubular steel producer; Kentucky Electric Steel Corp., a producer of steel bars; Erlanger Tubular Corp., a processor of tubular products; and Imperial Adhesives Inc., an adhesives manufacturer.

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Clifford R. Borland, 606/292-6809.

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Memphis, TENN. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - At the continuation of the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Insituform of North America, Inc. (''INA'') (NASDAQ:INSUA) held Friday pursuant to a resolution of adjournment adopted on August 7, the stockholders approved a proposal to amend the Company's Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of Class A Common Stock from 8,750,000 shares to 25,000,000 shares and to increase the number of authorized shares of Preferred Stock from 500,000 shares to 2,000,000 shares.

The number of authorized shares of Class B Common Stock of INA remains unchanged at 1,250,000 shares.

Insituform of North America, Inc. provides state-of-the-art techniques for the reconstruction of deteriorated pipelines utilizing the InsituformR Process. In addition, INA furnishes its present network of thirteen United States licensees with the InsitutubeR, resins and other related products used by them in the rehabilitation of pipeline systems throughout the country, and is a center of research and development for trenchless pipeline rehabilitation processes.

Through a wholly-owned subsidiary, NU-PIPE, Inc., INA plans to introduce the NuPipeR Process later this year.

INA serves the needs of America's infrastructure.

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The Equity Group Inc., New York
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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - In response to the urgent call by President Bush for the military reserves to take part in the Persian Gulf crisis, NYNEX Corporation stated that effective Aug. 23 it will enhance its policy for its employees who will be involved in the call-up.

Departing from the company's standard policy, NYNEX will pay the differential between an employee's normal salary and the military pay for a period of six months. Current NYNEX policy calls for an emergency service pay differential period of two weeks.

In addition, the company will allow employees to continue their group life insurance programs at their current levels.

The special changes in the company's policy are being made for the Persian Gulf crisis only. However, the enhanced policy will be reviewed after the initial six-month period.

''Just as our employees who are in the reserves see their actions as their duty, so NYNEX sees as its duty to support these men and women when they are called to defend our country. NYNEX will stand squarely behind our employees in this regard,'' said William C. Ferguson, NYNEX chairman. ''No employee in the NYNEX family of companies need worry about either their job or the financial impact if they are called to active duty during our country's time of trial.''

NYNEX will strictly adhere to the federal laws that govern employees' rights as military reservists. Of course, the company will release any employee who is called, guarantee reinstatement to the same or an equivalent job upon the employee's return to civilian status, and continue the employee's net credited service with the company.

Ferguson said: ''In our hopes and our prayers, we look for a quick resolution to the crisis. However, the company will enthusiastically perform its obligations under the law to make the re-entry process as smooth as possible for our employees whenever they return, no matter what length of time they are away.'' The company has established a toll-free number -- 1-800-228-1524 -- through which employee reservists can get additional information on the enhanced program.

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DALLAS (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Commercial Metals Co. (NYSE:CMC)

headquartered in Dallas, has purchased substantially all the assets of Columbia Recycling in Lake City, Fla.

The facility, located on Highway 100A east of Lake City, processes both ferrous and non-ferrous metals. Employing six workers, it will operate as a feeder yard to Commercial Metals' existing scrap metal operation in Jacksonville.

Ron Bradley, manager of the Jacksonville branch, will also head the Lake City facility.

Commercial Metals Co. owns 34 other recycling facilities across the Sun Belt, eight of them in Florida.

Commercial Metals Co. was founded in Dallas 75 years ago as a scrap metal recycling company. In addition to the recycling facilities, it has three steel mini-mills, steel fabrication shops, a copper tube plant, and world-wide trading in various minerals, metals and semi-fabricated, non-ferrous metals.

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Bob Davis, 214/689-4354

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NASHVILLE, TENN. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - DeVlieg-Bullard Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:DVLG) Friday announced signing a definitive purchase contract, valued at approximately $8 million, to acquire certain assets of New Britain Machine, a division of Litton Industries Inc. (NYSE:LIT).

Closing of the transaction is scheduled for next month.

The company also announced that, in separate transactions, it has purchased the Rockford Machine Tool and Rockford Punch Press product lines from a firm located in Rockford, Ill.

Laurence DeFrance, chief executive officer of DeVlieg-Bullard, said he expected the combined operations being acquired to add approximately $10 million, or 10 percent, to the company's annual revenues.

New Britain Machine, headquartered in New Britain, Conn., manufactures, markets and services a variety of machine tools. Founded in 1895, the company has a universally recognized trade name and has shipped more than 40,000 machine tools since its founding.

DeFrance said that the acquisitions match DeVlieg-Bullard's strategy of establishing itself as a leading provider of maintenance, repair and

remanufacturing services for machine tools.

He remarked: ''Adding the aftermarket services now provided by New Britain Machine will significantly broaden our own operations. There is a large nationwide base of New Britain products in use, and we plan to provide efficient and effective coverage of their service requirements.''

DeFrance emphasized that service for New Britain Machine will continue without interruption and that the service operations will remain in Connecticut manned by existing experienced New Britain personnel.

DeVlieg-Bullard is a diversified industrial concern specializing in servicing, upgrading, automating and remanufacturing precision engineered machine tools. The company also manufactures sophisticated original and replacement tooling products used in industrial machine tools.

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Lawrence M. Holmes, 615/383-7892

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KENOSHA, WIS. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Snap-on Tools Corp. elected Denis J. Loverine, treasurer, effective Sept. 1, 1990.

Loverine, 50, an employee since 1962, became supervisor of taxes in 1966, manager of budgets and taxes in 1973, assistant controller in 1977, and has been assistant treasurer since May 1989. He will be responsible for investor relations, cash management, risk/benefits administration and purchasing.

Snap-on Tools Corp. (NYSE:SNA) is a leading manufacturer and distributor of quality hand and power tools, electronic diagnostic equipment, and tool storage units for the professional mechanic.

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Denis J. Loverine, 414/656-5421

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - American City Business Journals Inc. (OTC: AMBJ) said its board had authorized the purchase, through open market transactions, of up to 200,000 shares of the company's common stock and up to 80,000 additional shares of its preferred stock (the purchase of up to 120,000 preferred shares having been authorized in February).

Management was given discretion to determine the number, pricing and class

of shares to be purchased. The company will continue to purchase its shares through George K. Baum & Co., a marketmaker, at prices prevailing from time to time in the over-the-counter market.

Ray Shaw, American City chairman, said purchases ''will continue to be carried out in a manner designed to avoid disrupting the market and may, therefore, occur over an extended period of time.'' Purchasing activities may be discontinued and resumed at any time, as market conditions warrant.

Shaw explained that the board authorized expansion of the program ''because it believes that the company's stock is a good investment at current prices.''

American City publishes 25 local weekly business newspapers, a legal newspaper and a monthly lifestyle magazine.

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Patrick Daugherty, 704/375-7404 or 704/335-9060

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EL DORADO, AK (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of First United Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:UNTD) of El Dorado, has declared a quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on common stock.

The dividend is payable Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Sept. 7, 1990.

First United is the bank holding company for the First National Bank of El Dorado, First National Bank of Magnolia, Merchants and Planters Bank, N.A. of Camden, and City National Bank of Fort Smith.

CONTACT: First United Bancshares, El Dorado
Lisa Toms, 501/863-3181

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CHARLOTTE, NC (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Piedmont Natural Gas. Co. Inc. (NYSE: PNY) reported the following financial results for the nine and 12 month periods ended July 31, 1990.

PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS CO INC.
Summary of Operations

Nine Months Ended July 31	1990	1989	Percent Increase (Decr)
Operating revenues	$355,383,000	$369,468,000	(3.8)
Cost of gas	$209,256,000	$231,922,000	(9.8)
Margin	$146,127,000	$137,546,000	6.2
Net income	$ 32,519,000	$ 31,536,000	3.1
Weighted average shares outstanding			
Primary	10,530,000	10,237,000	2.9
Fully diluted	11,008,000	10,835,000	1.6
Earnings per share of common stock			
Primary	$ 3.09	$ 3.08	.3
Fully diluted	$ 2.99	$ 2.95	1.4
Gas delivered, dekatherms	85,304,000	86,052,000	(.9)
Percent normal degree days	89 percent	93 percent	(4.0)

12 Months Ended July 31	1990	1989	Percent Increase (Decr)
Operating revenues	$406,739,000	$428,193,000	(5.0)
Cost of gas	$239,308,000	$272,319,000	(12.1)
Margin	$167,431,000	$155,874,000	7.4
Net income	$ 25,858,000	$ 25,055,000	3.2
Weighted average shares outstanding			
Primary	10,483,000	10,211,000	2.7
Fully diluted	10,988,000	10,815,000	1.6
Earnings per share of common stock			
Primary	$ 2.47	$ 2.45	.8
Fully diluted	$ 2.40	$ 2.37	1.3
Gas delivered, dekatherms	103,034,000	103,871,000	(.8)
Percent normal degree days	89 percent	97 percent	(8.0)

At the meeting of the board of directors held Friday, the board declared quarterly dividend on common stock of 42 cents per share. The dividend is payable Oct. 15, 1990 to holders of record at the close of business on Sept. 24, 1990.

CONTACT: Piedmont Natural Gas Co., Charlotte
Stephen D. Conner, 704/364-3120; 704/364-0526 (home)

-30- 2576

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HORSHAM, PA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Robec Inc. announced Friday that the board of directors authorized the repurchase of up to 10 percent (135,000 shares) of the company's common stock issued in connection with its initial public offering in October 1989.

The board of directors approved this action because the current market value of the company's stock is below its tangible book value, after giving consideration to both the number of shares of stock to remain outstanding, and the cash investment required.

''We believe that the current market value of the stock makes its purchase a sensible investment for the company,'' said Robert H. Beckett, president and CEO of Robec Distributors.

Robec is a national, value-added distributor of microcomputer systems, peripherals, spare parts and accessories, providing product leadership and technological services to value-added resellers, dealers and computer retailers.

Robec is headquartered in Horsham, Pa. The company maintains sales and warehouse locations across the United States including: Asheville, N.C.; Atlanta; Boston; Chicago; Columbus, Ohio; Dallas; Denver; Houston; Kansas City, Kan.; Los Angeles; New York; Orlando, Fla.; Philadelphia; Phoenix; Pittsburgh; Reno, Nev.; Salt Lake City; San Francisco; Seattle; Washington D.C.; and Youngstown, Ohio. --30--KG/ph

CONTACT: Robec Inc., Horsham
Joni D. King, 215/675-9300.

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CHARLESTON, SC (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - First Financial Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ:FFCH) announced Friday that it is commencing a stock repurchase program to acquire up to approximately 200,000 shares of the corporation's common stock, which represents approximately 6 percent of the outstanding common stock.

The repurchase program is expected to be completed within a one year period.

Commenting on the announcement, A.L. Hutchinson Jr., president and chief executive officer said: ''We are pleased that the board has authorized the stock repurchase program. It is the board's opinion that the current price of the company's common stock does not adequately reflect the true value of the company.

''With the stock currently trading at a substantial discount to book value per share, the repurchase program can enhance both the book value per share and the earnings per share of the remaining outstanding shares.''

Hutchinson stated that the repurchases generally would be effected through open market purchases, although he did not rule out the possibility of

unsolicited negotiated transactions of other types of repurchases. No shares will be repurchased directly from directors or officers of the corporation.

Hutchinson explained that the price to be paid for shares purchased on the open market will not exceed the greater of the highest bid or closing sale price of the corporation's stock on the NASDAQ National Market System. The number of shares to be purchased in the open market during any day generally is not to exceed 25 percent of the average daily trading volume of the common stock over the preceding four weeks, except for block purchases.

At June 30, 1990, the corporation reported total assets of $909.7 million and stockholders' equity of $59.3 million. The corporation is a unitary savings and loan holding company whose sole subsidiary is First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Charleston.

The common stock of First Financial Holdings Inc. is traded in the Over-The-Counter National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol ''FFCH.''

CONTACT: First Financial Holdings Inc., Charleston
Marilyn C. Shokes, 803/724-0931

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The ''Gold Investment Hotline'' was made available to the public Friday by MTB Banking Corp., providing investors with the prices of bullion coins and precious metals.

MTB's 800 number, mostly used by MTB clients, is being made available to the public to help investors buy bullion coins and precious metals at a time of economic uncertainty.

''We are providing updated information about bullion coin investments at a time when investors should be turning to the safe haven of gold,'' said MTB President Fred Tordella.

''Demand for bullion has been spurred by high-end investors. It is our job to assist the small to large investor who doesn't know where to turn to during the Middle East crisis.''

Callers who dial the MTB Gold Investment Hotline between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. weekdays at 1-800-535-7481 will receive updated prices and information about the precious metals market as well as bullion coins, such as the American Eagle, the Canadian Maple Leaf and the China Panda. While the service was announced during the Middle East crisis, it will be open to the public on an ongoing basis.

MTB Banking Corp., is a New York based international banking organization specializing in rare coins and precious metals, foreign currency and international banking services.

With sales exceeding $1 billion a year, MTB services financial institutions, private investors and dealers. MTB Banking Corp. is located at 90 Broad Street with additional branch offices at 30 Rockefeller Plaza and at the World Trade Center.

CONTACT: Schoenfeld/Kahn Inc., New York
Stacy Lapine or Jason Kannon, 212/889-1200

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COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Omni Exploration Inc. (NASDAQ:OMNX) announced that for its third quarter ended June 30, 1990, the company incurred a net loss of $72,000 on revenues of $497,000, compared to a net loss of $16,000 on revenues of $591,000 for the prior year quarter.

The company reported that for the nine months ended June 30, 1990, the company incurred a net loss of $190,000 or 1 cent per share, on revenues of $1,668,000, compared to a net loss of $136,000, or 1 cent per share, on revenues of $1,532,000 for the prior year period.

The company reported that the prices received during the third quarter per barrel of oil and mcf of natural gas averaged $16.89 and $1.17, respectively, as compared to $19.02 and $1.28, respectively, for the prior year quarter.

Omni Exploration Inc., is an oil and gas company with reserves located in Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas.

OMNI EXPLORATION INC.
(000's omitted except per share data)

	Third Quarter		Year to Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 497	$ 591	$ 1,668	$ 1,532
Loss before taxes	(120)	(28)	(316)	(228)
Income tax credit	(48)	(12)	(126)	(92)
Net loss	(72)	(16)	(190)	(136)
Net loss per common share	--	--	(1 cent)	(1 cent)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	22,105	26,308	23,306	26,308

CONTACT: Omni Exploration, Columbus

Richard W. Blackstone, 614/469-1681

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NEW YORK (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC) Friday announced that it signed a Letter of Intent providing for the acquisition of 50.1 percent of AmBase's common stock for $4 cash per share by an investor group.

The investor group proposal to acquire controlling interest in AmBase Corp. includes all of the company's subsidiaries: The Home Insurance Co., Carteret Bancorp, Gruntal Financial Corp., US International Re, Commonwealth Insurance Co. and Sterling Forest Corp.

The transaction is subject to the signing of a definitive agreement by Sept. 28, 1990, stockholder approval, financing, regulatory approvals, and other conditions. The investor group's re-financing is being arranged by Westpac Banking Corp.

Following the investor group acquisition, the proposal provides for an underwritten, transferable rights offering to AmBase stockholders of zero-coupon notes with attached warrants to purchase 34 million shares of common stock of AmBase at $2 per share. Notes not purchased by AmBase stockholders will be purchased by the investor group resulting in a total cash infusion of $68 million.

Effective with the final consummation of the investor group's transaction, Geo. T. Scharffenberger will retire from his positions as chairman, president and chief executive officer of AmBase, Donald MacNaughton is expected to be elected to succeed him as chairman of the AmBase board and James J. Meenaghan, currently chairman and president of The Home, will be elected president and chief executive officer of AmBase.

The investor group includes Sequoia Associates of Menlo Park, Calif. headed by William D. Walsh; Hermitage Capital Corp., a subsidiary of Financial Securities Fund, L.P. of New York City and Nashville; and Whitman Heffernan Rhein & Co. Inc. of New York City, headed by Martin J. Whitman.

Directors of Financial Securities Fund, L.P. include insurance investor Shelby Cullom Davis, a former U.S. Ambassador to Switzerland; Donald MacNaughton, former chairman and chief executive officer of The Prudential Insurance Company of America; Benjamin N. Woodson, former chairman and chief executive officer of American General Corp.; H. John Bremermann Jr., former chairman and chief executive officer of Maryland Casualty Company; and Guilford Dudley Jr., former chairman and president of Life & Casualty Insurance Company and former U.S. Ambassador to Denmark.

AmBase said it will simultaneously continue its discussions regarding the sale of its insurance subsidiaries, including its previously announced agreement with Vik Brothers International.

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or
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Hilary vonMaur, 212/832-2100
or
Sequoia Associates, Menlo Park
William Walsh, 415/854-8500
or
Whitman Heffernan Rhein & Co. Inc., New York
John Mueller, 212/888-5222

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Roosevelt Financial Group Inc. (NASDAQ: RFED) Friday announced a stock repurchase program to acquire up to 575,000 shares, or approximately 10 percent, of the corporation's outstanding common stock.

The program is expected to be completed within twelve months, subject to market conditions.

Roosevelt Financial exceeds all regulatory capital requirements applicable to savings institutions and will continue to exceed those requirements after completion of the stock repurchase program.

''The current market value of our common stock viewed against the backdrop of our strong corporate fundamentals makes it an attractive investment,'' said Stanley J. Bradshaw, executive vice president and chief operating officer.

''We are pleased that our surplus capital position allows us to take advantage of this investment opportunity.''

According to Bradshaw, the repurchases will be made at the discretion of management through open market purchases, although he did not rule out the possibility of unsolicited negotiated transactions or other types of repurchases. Any repurchased stock will become authorized but unissued shares, and will be used for general corporate purposes.

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Daniel G. O'Donnell, 314/532-6474

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COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Rax Restaurants Inc. is selling 16 under-performing stores -- 10 in Louisiana and six in Florida -- and writing off more than $1 million in fixed assets in order to further strengthen cash flow, announced Ira A. Hermann, Rax president and chief executive officer.

''The total $5 million loss on disposition of assets should amount to an annual cash savings of $900,000,'' Hermann said. ''I and the rest of the Rax board of directors agreed this is a necessary and prudent move that will add impetus to the company's financial turnaround.''

The Louisiana and Florida restaurants formerly were franchised stores. Rax assumed ownership of them during the mid-1980s in efforts to maintain presence in these markets.

''To continue our successful repositioning and strategic growth plans and to ensure long-term profitability, we now look at each store and each market as individual profit centers,'' said Hermann. ''We evaluate whether our investment is paying off and whether reinvestment in non-performing assets will generate a return that justifies the financial commitment. We've determined that these units do not offer long-term opportunities.

''In addition, Rax's sales and franchising success during the past year in target markets proves to us that we need to get out of areas that only dilute our effectiveness. While double-digit sales increases occurred in many markets, these Louisiana and Florida stores are dragging our averages down.''

Rax target markets, areas in which Rax has a strong presence and high customer acceptance, are located primarily in the Midwest. Most of 18 new franchised stores opened during fiscal 1990 are located in these areas. Thirty-five additional franchised units are slated to open during fiscal 1991.

Hermann said Rax currently is considering several tentative purchase offers on the Louisiana and Florida properties.

Fixed assets included in the write-down were comprised mainly of items replaced in a store remodeling program completed during the mid-1980s.

Rax Restaurants Inc. owns, operates, develops and franchises restaurants that feature a variety of sandwiches and salads and other fast foods. The company has more than 450 company-owned and franchised stores operating in 29 U.S. states and two Canadian provinces. Incorporated in 1977, the

publicly held company is traded OTC on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol, RAXR.

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or
Paul Werth Associates Inc., Columbus
Bonny Fowler, 614/224-8114

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NEW HARTFORD, NY (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - PAR Technology Corp. (NYSE:PTC) announced Friday that it has purchased 100,000 shares of its common stock from an institutional shareholder.

This is the second purchase the company has made this week. On Wednesday, Aug. 22 the company announced the purchase of 24,300 shares from another institution. The company stated that these two blocks of stock were purchased at this time because ''it is the company's opinion, that at its present price the stock represents an excellent value.''

PAR is a supplier of transaction processing information systems to the food service and convenience store industries, and to the Computer Integrated Manufacturing market; and a contractor providing computer based system design and development services to the Federal Government.

CONTACT: PAR Technology Corp., New Hartford
A. Kenneth Patterson, 315/738-0600

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MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - D. Wayne Hartford, chairman, and James M. Miller, president of Battery Technologies Inc., announce completion of the first phases of a private placement announced on July 31.

A private investor completed the purchase of 1,110,000 Special Warrants, convertible into common shares, at a purchase price of 90 cents per Special Warrant. The final phase of this private placement, will involve the purchase of a further 555,000 Special Warrants (on the same basis and at the same price) by September 30.

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James M. Miller or D. Wayne Hartford,
416/820-1755

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STAMFORD, CONN. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Senior Service Corp. (NASDAQ: SENR; BSE: SNR), the only public company devoted exclusively to providing products and services for Americans over 65, reported Friday a 30.8 percent gain in revenue for the fiscal year ended May 31 to a record $12,404,144 from $9,481,372 in fiscal '89.

Gross profit increased 41.2 percent to $6,562,868 in fiscal '90 from $4,648,664 in the prior fiscal year, reflecting the strong expansion of adult daycare operations and the full year results of the company's home health care business, which was acquired in the final month of fiscal '89.

A net unrealized foreign exchange loss of $966,286 was a primary factor in the net loss of $1,694,902 compared with a loss of $4,349,636 for the previous year. This unrealized exchange loss reflected the strength of the Swiss Franc agains the U.S. Dollar and is principally attributable to a 10 million Swiss Franc subordinated convertible 5-1/2 percent note.

Per-share results for fiscal '90 amounted to a loss of 23 cents vs. a loss of 61 cents per share in the prior fiscal year.

Commenting on fiscal '90 results, Presidend and CEO Donald L. Luke noted the sharp rise in the company's cash position to $11,322,131 from $8,197,638 a year earlier as a result of the divestiture of its U.S. book and newspaper publishing operations.

Senior Service Corp.
Financial Highlights

	Year Ended May 31, 1990	1989
Net sales	$12,404,144	$9,481,372
Gross profit	6,562,868	4,048,664
Loss from continuing operations (a)	(1,625,212)	(2,374,222)
Net income (loss)	(1,694,902)	(4,349,636)
Per share loss (primary)	(0.23)	(0.61)

(a) Loss from continuing operations before income taxes, discontinued operations and extraordinary item.

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by
The Dresner Group, New York
Sylvia A. Dresner, 212/595-1703

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ATLANTA (AUG. 23) BUSINES WIRE - Resurgens Communications Group Inc. (ASE:RCG) Friday announced revenues of $17,477,000 and net income of $180,000, or 2 cents per share, for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with revenues of $6,014,000 and a net loss before extraordinary items of ($2,224,000), or ($1.98) per share, a year ago. In 1989, the company changed its fiscal year from Nov. 30 to June 30.

Commenting on the results, John D. Phillips, president and chief executive officer, said, ''The past year was our first complete year since Resurgens emerged from bankruptcy with a new management team. We experienced significant growth during the year and are very pleased with our progress.

One of our highlights was the successful offering of $16.2 million of convertible subordinated debentures, of which $5.5 million have been converted into common stock. The proceeds from this offering are being used to help finance the company's rapid growth.

''Currently, we are adding substantial amounts of new business to our Operator Services system. Our current monthly revenue run rate has grown by over 370 percent in the past six months.

Our second and third switching centers, located in Nashville, Tennessee, and San Antonio, Texas, will be operational within the next two weeks. We expect our monthly run rate to continue to accelerate in the months ahead.

''Our Southern Cellular subsidiary ended the year as the fourth largest cellular agent in the nation. With the addition of ten new locations during the year, Southern Cellular owns and profitably manages twenty-three retail cellular stores.

''As part of Southern Cellular's expansion program, we have further enhanced the management structure and strengthened accounting and inventory controls, resulting in greater efficiencies and improved sales.

''As the dominant cellular agent in the southeast region, we are poised for the growth expected in the cellular industry.

''Earnings for the year were affected by a non-recurring charge of $286,000 for additional expenses associated with Resurgens' emergence from bankruptcy. In addition, the results include charges of approximately $440,000 relating to management's decision to expense rather than capitalize certain costs associated with billing and collection agreements.

''At current levels, these expenses will have a minimal or no impact on

our future operations.

''Looking toward next year, we remain convinced of the tremendous opportunities that exist in our industry.

''We are confident that, with $18 million in cash, we now have the management team, the financial strength and the infrastructure necessary to rapidly expand Resurgens' business,'' Phillips concluded.

Resurgens Communications Group Inc. is a telecommunications company which processes and transmits operator-assisted long distance telephone calls from multi-telephone facilities. Through its subsidiary, Southern Cellular Telecom Inc., the company markets and services cellular telephones, facsimile machines and other telecommunications products.

The company's common stock and debentures trade on the American Stock Exchange under the symbols RCG and RCG.A, respectively.

CONTACT: Resurgens Communications Group Inc., Atlanta
H. Hobart Corwin, 404/261-6190

-30- 3534

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WALTHAM, MASS. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Justus F. Lowe Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of SofTech Inc., announced that Douglas R. Potter has been named vice president and treasurer of SofTech.

Potter joined SofTech in 1985 as corporate controller, and was named chief financial officer of the company on June 1, 1990. Prior to joining SofTech, Potter was employed by the international accounting firm of Coopers & Lybrand where he was a manager on the general practice audit staff.

Potter received a BS degree from Purdue University in 1972, and an MBA degree from Boston University in 1974.

Founded in 1969, SofTech Inc. is a publicly-held company providing custom software design and development, systems engineering, and integration services to government agencies and commercial companies. Headquartered in Waltham, Mass., the company employs approximately 700 people in 18 locations throughout the United States.

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Justus F. Lowe Jr., 617/890-6900

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KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - It is with regret that Stuart Hall Co. Inc. (NASDAQ:STUH) announces the resignation of Rex E. Wiggins as a member of the board of directors of the Stuart Hall Company.

Wiggins has been a member of the board of directors during the past 12 years. During this period the company has substantially increased both sales and earnings.

CONTACT: Stuart Hall Co. Inc., Kansas City
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by
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Donald C. Weinberger, 212/826-9622

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#90236b0775 08/24/1990 ~Business Wire
SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Nichols Institute (ASE:LAB) and Associated Laboratories Inc. of Los Gatos Friday announced the cancellation of their previously announced merger negotiations.

Associated Laboratories operates a reference laboratory in Los Gatos serving customers in the five-county area immediately south of San Francisco.

Nichols Institute provides clinical reference laboratory services on a nationwide basis and manufactures kits for domestic and international clients to perform their own medical diagnostic tests in-house.

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Norman W. Achen, 714/661-8000

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#90236b0777 08/24/1990 ~Business Wire
MARLBOROUGH, MA (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Sequoia Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:SEQS) today expanded its financial management team by appointing Kent R. Allen vice president of finance and chief financial officer, and creating the new position of vice president and treasurer.

David A. Butler, who has been with Sequoia since January, 1988, was named to the treasurer's position.

Allen, 48, brings to Sequoia 15 years of diversified financial management experience in high technology, high-growth manufacturing and distribution environments. He joins Sequoia from Davox Corp., another Massachusetts-based computer manufacturer, where he served as chief

financial officer and vice president, business development.

Earlier, Allen held financial management positions with Plexus Computers Inc. and Datapoint Corp.

At Sequoia, Allen will have overall responsibility for all financial and administrative areas of the company, both domestic and international.

In the expanded financial organization, Butler, 46, will be responsible for cash and receivables management, and will provide leasing, alternative financing options, and local currency financing to Sequoia's growing domestic and international customer and prospect base. He will report to Allen.

Sequoia Systems Inc. designs, manufactures and markets fault-tolerant computer systems to serve on-line transaction processing (OLTP) needs. Sequoia's systems have an open architecture adhering to industry standards and a UNIX-based operating system. The company also offers the PICK Open Architecture operating system and provides on-line service and maintenance support to its worldwide customer base.

Major customers include manufacturers, distributors, banks and financial institutions, insurance companies, telecommunications operations and federal agencies.

Founded in 1981, Sequoia has shipped 112 systems to customers in the U.S. and seven other countries.

CONTACT: Sequoia Systems Inc., Marlborough
Lisa J. Goldberg, 508/480-0800

-30- 2213

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Leisure Concept Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:LCIC) Friday announced that an Agreement and Plan of Reorganization (''Merger Agreement'') had been entered into among Leisure Concepts Inc. (''LCI''), a wholly owned subsidiary of LCI and International Consumer Technologies Corp. (''ICT'').

In the merger, each outstanding share of ICT common stock will be converted into the right to receive shares of LCI common stock at an exchange ratio of .48908 shares of LCI common stock.

Based on the ICT shares outstanding on a fully diluted basis on Aug. 24, a maximum of 4,175,725 shares of LCI common stock would be issuable in the merger which would represent approximately 57 percent of the outstanding shares of LCI common stock following the merger.

LCI intends to file a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the shares of LCI common stock issuable upon the merger and to hold a special meeting of its shareholders in the Fall of 1990 to approve the merger.

In anticipation of the merger, the board of directors of LCI has appointed Robert A. Kotick, the president of ICT, to the position of acting chief executive officer of LCI pursuant to an employment agreement with Kotick under which he will become the chief executive officer of LCI following the merger. Stanley A. Weston, chairman of the board of LCI, will become a consultant to LCI following the merger.

The merger is subject to several conditions being fulfilled prior to Nov. 30, including approval by the Securities and Exchange Commission declaring effective the registration statement covering the shares of LCI common stock issuable upon the merger, the approval of the shareholders of both LCI and ICT of the merger, and other conditions.

Weston noted that the management of both LCI and ICT believe that the operations of the two companies after the merger can be successfully integrated in such a way that the combined companies will be able to effectively and profitably compete in the licensing and computer related industries and that the merger would produce favorable business synergies.

LCI is a major licensor of properties, whose common stock is traded on NASDAQ/NMS. ICT is a privately held company specializing in the merchandizing of personal computers and related hardware and software.

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-30- 2725
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PAWTUCKET, R.I. (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Hasbro Inc. (ASE:HAS) announced that its board of directors authorized the company to repurchase up to three million shares of common stock from time to time in the open market or otherwise.

Shares repurchased will be used for general corporate purposes, including funding in part of the company's existing employee stock option plans and outstanding warrants.

On July 31, Hasbro had approximately 57,860,000 shares of common stock

outstanding.

Headquartered in Pawtucket, Hasbro Inc., is the world's leading toy company. With reported revenues of more than $1.4 billion at year-end 1989, the company's extensive product portfolio includes such well-known names as Milton Bradley games and puzzles, Playskool Baby products, and G.I. Joe, My Little Pony, and World Wrestling Federation action toys. The company has operations in more than a dozen countries and markets its products worldwide.

CONTACT: Hasbro Inc., Pawtucket
John T. O'Neill, 401/431-8500

-30- 1203
#90236b0792 08/24/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Management Technologies, a developer of integrated software systems for international banking, announced a loss of $4,731,000, or 48 cents per share on revenues of $5,351,000 for FY 90, compared to earnings of $2,806,000, or 23 cents per share, on revenues of $10,282,000 in FY 89.

The loss was largely the result of a nonrecurring charge to earnings of $4,041,000 from the writedown of its commercial loan and credit management software and computer hardware.

Management Technologies Inc. trades on NASDAQ under the symbols MTCI for the common stock and MTCIW for warrants.

CONTACT: Management Technologies, New York
Tom Groenfeldt, 212/239-8224

-30- 865
#90236b0797 08/24/1990 ~Business Wire

CHARLOTTE, NC (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Southeastern Savings Bank Inc. (NASDAQ: SESL) recorded a net loss of $5.05 million, or $2.26 per share for the second quarter of 1990 compared to a net loss of $2.35 million or $1.05 per share for the second quarter of 1989.

The bank's year-to-date loss through June 30, 1990 totaled $6.77 million or $3.03 per share compared to a net loss of $3.18 million or $1.42 for the first six months of 1989. The 1989 and 1990 losses are based on 2,237,124 weighted average shares outstanding.

The Bank also instituted its ''Solid Banking/Solid Relationship'' deposit campaign on Aug. 1, 1990. The focus of the campaign includes the repricing and restructuring of the Bank's deposit products and a strong

service relationship with the Bank's customer base.

The bank continues to address its operating costs through the elimination of 38 positions or 29 percent of the retail branch staff and the consolidation of one branch during May.

Southeastern Savings Bank Inc. is a stockholder-owned, federally insured institution with 23 branches in 24 North Carolina markets. The bank's stock is traded on the over-the-counter market

CONTACT: Southeastern Savings Bank Inc., Charlotte
Frank R. Thies Jr., 704/379-1891

-30- 1452
#90236b0801 08/24/1990 ~Business Wire
RACINE, WI (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Modine Manufacturing Co. (NASDAQ:MODI) and Sundstrand Corp., Rockford, Ill., today signed a definitive agreement for Modine to acquire Sundstrand's Heat Transfer business.

On July 18, the two companies announced an agreement in principle on the purchase, which could be completed by mid-October.

The operations to be purchased employ about 800 people at three plants, in Dowagiac, Mich.; Camdenton, Mo.; and Nuevo Laredo, Mexico. They make fin-and-tube heat exchangers, secondary heat exchangers for high-efficiency residential furnaces, extruded copper tubing, and complex copper and aluminum tubular components. These products are sold to original equipment manufacturers of residential and commercial air conditioners, commercial refrigeration equipment, and residential heating systems, along with auto, truck, bus, and off-highway equipment.

Modine is an independent, worldwide leader in heat-transfer technology, serving vehicular, industrial, and building HVAC (heating, ventilating, air-conditioning) markets. For the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990, Modine sales were $436.3 million. Modine common stock is listed on the NASDAQ O-T-C market as a National Market Issue under the trading symbol MODI.

CONTACT: Modine Manufacturing, Racine
Gerald J. Sweda, 414/636-1361

-30- 1532
#90236b0809 08/24/1990 ~Business Wire
LA CROSSE, WI (AUG. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The president and chief operating officer of the G. Heileman Brewing Co., Murray Cutbush, reacted favorably

Friday to an Aug. 24 article in the Milwaukee Sentinel that reported the Miller Brewing Co. is considering supporting a national effort to place alcohol content on beer labels.

Cutbush expressed his pleasure that Miller is considering support of the issue and will write to the other major U.S. brewers, urging them to do so.

Heileman's Rainier Brewing Co. in Seattle has taken the leadership role in forming ''L.A.B.E.L.,'' a coalition of alcohol concerned groups that worked for the Aug. 22 ruling by the Washington State Liquor Control Board that made Washington the first state to legalize alcohol content labeling on beer.

In issuing the unanimous ruling, the three members of the Liquor Control Board urged U.S. brewers to seek labeling law reform on a national level. Board members said their ruling sends a message to the nation's brewers that the time has come to seek repeal of a prohibition era federal statute that forbids disclosure of alcohol content labeling of beer unless individual states require it.

The poll showed that nine out of 10 (89 percent) said consumers are entitled to know the amount of alcohol in beer so they can make informed choices.

Three out of four Washingtonians strongly supported alcohol content labeling, according to the survey taken in early August. The same margin found it inconsistent that light beers indicate their calorie, fat and carbohydrate content, as well as risk of damage to a fetus, but don't indicate because of the law the percentage of alcohol.

Heileman will lead the development of a national coalition of organizations to help other states face the issue and colllectively seek national awareness and support in the federal government, according to Cutbush.

Cutbush said Rainier took on labeling as a public service in a state known as a bellwether for societal change.

G. Heileman is the fifth largest brewer in the United States. Principal brands include: Old Style, Rainier, Jacob Schmidt, Lone Star, Special Export, Henry Weinhard's Private Reserve, Colt 45, Champale, Mickey's, Iron City and I.C. Light. Heileman also produces the non-alcoholic Kingsbury N.A. and La Croix Sparkling Pure Mineral Water.

CONTACT: G. Heileman Brewing Company, Pittsburgh
Bill Eiler, 412/692-1125

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#90236c0002 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system, effective Aug. 22:

LTX Corporation - 13 1/2% Conv. Sub Debs due 2011 (LTXXI)
Main St. & Main Inc. (MAIN)

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#90236c0003 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 23:

American First Corporation (AFCO); Insufficient number of active market makers

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 22:

The Phoenix Group International Inc. (PHLXE); Not current in required filings

Structofab Inc. (STRUE); Not current in required filings

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#90236c0004 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 23) COMTEX - The following issues will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Aug. 23:

Health Care Products Inc. - Class A Sub Voting Shrs (HCPAF) to (HCPFC)
Pavichevich Brewing Company (BRAU) to (BRAUC)
Robeson Industries Corporation (RBSN) to (RBSNE)
Tescorp Inc. - W.I. Conv. Pd. 7/11/93 (TESVC) to Tescorp Inc. (TESCC)

-30- 471
#90236c0006 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Corporate Investment Co.(TICKER: CICO) lost $1.51 million, or $0.48 per share, on revenues of $2.82 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $91,266, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.16 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 491
#90236c0007 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Centurion Gold Ltd.(TICKER: SEUM) lost $10.49 million, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $289,329 for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $18,135, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $247,152 for the same period in 1989.

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

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#90236c0008 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ameritrust Corp.(TICKER: AMTR) earned $18.43 million, or $0.45 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $30.35 million, or $0.83 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90236c0009 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hailey Energy Corp.(TICKER: HECC) lost $45,150, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2,555 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $30,124, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $33,933 for the same period in 1989.

Hailey Energy Corp. reports the primary reason for the decrease in revenues for this latest quarterly reporting period is due to the decline in sales of overriding royalty interests in its Australian concessions.

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#90236c0010 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Timberline Minerals Inc.(TICKER: TIMM) lost $1.66 million, or $0.05 per share, on no revenues for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.85 million, or $0.09 per share, on no revenues in fiscal 1989.

Timberline Minerals Inc. is a development stage firm and has not begun mining operations.

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#90236c0011 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Capitol Bancorp Ltd.(TICKER: CBCL) earned $175,000, or $0.11 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $145,000, or $0.13 per share, for the same period in 1989.

Capitol Bancorp LTD's executive office is located at 200 Washington Square North, Lansing, Michigan 48933 and its telephone number is (517) 487-6555.

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#90236c0012 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Credit Optical Inc.(TICKER: ACOI) earned $31,164, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $146,340 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $64,309, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $25,007 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 484
#90236c0014 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First City Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: CITY) earned $59,837, or $0.05 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $99,505, or $0.15 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 419
#90236c0015 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Intermountain Exploration Co.(TICKER: INTM) lost $36,456, or $0.01 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $19,425, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $12,900 for the same period in 1989.

Intermountain Exploration Co. reports it lost its listing on the NASDAQ system as a result of late filing of its Form 10-K.

Intermountain Exploration Co. states this decision is currently in appeal.

Intermountain adds that a substantial portion of its assets consists of mining properties and exploration costs and says the recoverability of these assets is dependent upon future production of ore in commercial quantities or sale of the properties.

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#90236c0016 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows HQ Office International Inc.(TICKER: HQOI) lost $953,573, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $2.16 million for the quarter ended July 1, 1990.

Comparative figures for the same period in 1989 are not available because HQ Office International Inc. did not commence operations until the three-month period ending April 1, 1990.

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#90236c0017 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Executive Telecard Ltd.(TICKER: EXTL) earned $407,393 (including unspecified "total other income" of $524,575 listed in its statement of operations), or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $126,385 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $40,131, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $41,311 for the same period in 1989.

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#90236c0018 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Golden Cycle Gold Corp.(TICKER: GCGC) lost $119,000, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $63,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $124,000, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $18,000 for the same period in 1989.

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#90236c0019 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Europa Cruises Corp.(TICKER: KRUZ) lost $666,655, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $2.98 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $198,217, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.93 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90236c0020 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 2, 1990, Command Credit Corp.(TICKER: CDMD) voted to increase the number of its directors from eight to ten.

To fill the vacancies, William G. Lucas was appointed chairman of the board and Robert Bockweg was appointed a director.

Also Mr. Lucas was elected president and chief executive officer of Command Credit Corp. following the resignation of John G. George as president of Command Credit Corp. effective Aug. 1, 1990.

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#90236c0022 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Queen City Broadcasting Inc. lost $667,881 (including an extraordinary loss of $250,000), or $0.67 per share, on revenues of $6.77 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $931,356, or $0.94 per share, on revenues of $6.58 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 516
#90236c0023 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Cine-Source Inc.(TICKER: FILM) lost $244,848, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $96,000 for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $267,870, or $0.06 per share, on no revenues in fiscal 1989.

-30- 429
#90236c0024 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - BT Shipping Ltd.(TICKER: BTBTY) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it earned $5.20 million, or $0.81 per share, on revenues of $20.70 million for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This represents BT Shipping LTD's first full six month period of operation.

BT Shipping's executive office is located at Cedar House, 41 Cedar Ave., Hamilton, HM 12 Bermuda.

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#90236c0025 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mack Trucks Inc.(TICKER: MACK) announced on Aug. 23, 1990, that the special committee formed to consider ITM Acquisition's $6.00 per share tender offer is currently negotiating with Renault over the terms.

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#90236c0026 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

T.L. WHALEY OWNS 284,736 SHARES (26.76%) OF FIRSTSHARES OF TEXAS INC OF MARSHALL, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

T.L. Whaley purchased 26,281 shares from Mar. 21 to Aug. 17, 1990 for $7.88 to $8 per share.

PURPOSE:

To continue growth in a good investment and to facilitate family financial planning.

-30- 521
#90236c0027 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

CYCLE RESOURCE INVESTMENT CORP OWNS 2,300,000 SHARES (32.22%) OF AMERICAN NUCLEAR CORP (TICKER: ANUC) OF CASPER, WY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 13, 1990, Joseph T. Burkard transferred 2.3 million shares of American Nuclear Corp. to Cycle Resource Investment Corp. for $1.6 million pursuant to a stock purchase agreement dated July 20, 1990 between Burkard and Nukem Inc., the parent of CRIC. CRIC also has the right of first refusal over 547,000 shares held by Burkard and the voting power over such shares.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 765
#90236c0028 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY BCI ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 20,422,397 SHARES (14.19%) OF CONAGRA INC (TICKER: CAG) OF OMAHA, NE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

BCI Associates LP acquired their shares as partial consideration for the

exchange of 121,739,131 shares of Beatrice Co. owned by the partnerships pursuant to the merger of CAGSUB Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Conagra Inc., with Beatrice on Aug. 14, 1990. BCI Associates LP have entered into a registration rights and standstill agreement dated as of June 7, 1990 and amended as of June 20, 1990 with Conagra Inc. that provides for a shelf registration statement covering all registrable securities within 10 days following the filing with the SEC of Conagra Inc.'s annual report for the fiscal year ended May 26, 1991 and limits the transfer or sale of shares by BCI Associates LP.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 1061
#90236c0030 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 42,150 SHARES (26.65%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Walsh Greenwood & Co. purchased 82,500 class A shares for $8.75 per share and 5,600 preferred shares for $35.25 per share on Aug. 20, 1990.

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#90236c0031 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 472,500 SHARES (61.00%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Walsh Greenwood & Co. purchased 82,500 class A shares for $8.75 per share and 5,600 preferred shares for $35.25 per share on Aug. 20, 1990.

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#90236c0032 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

YACOUB Y AL-HOMAIZI OWNS 4,600,000 SHARES (28.70%) OF PROFIT TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: PRTE) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

An option to purchase 1 million shares granted pursuant to the June subscription agreement expired, unexercised, on July 19, 1990.

-30- 468
#90236c0033 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY W.T. TITHER JR OWNS 210,000 SHARES (17.30%) OF CHESTER VALLEY BANCORP (TICKER: CVAL) OF DOWNINGTON, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 28 and 29, 1990, Tobias Knoblauch Private Bank purchased 2,901 shares of Chester Valley Bancorp's common stock at a price of $10.25 to $10.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 552
#90236c0034 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY MEZZANINE LENDING ASSOCIATES II LP OWNS 277,284 SHARES (7.10%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 20, 1990, MLA II, MLA III and VEA I received approximately 180,538, 84,638 and 12,108 shares of common stock, respectively, as a distribution on Prospect common stock held of record on Aug. 2, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 589
#90236c0035 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 1,575,000 SHARES (8.90%) OF HARLEY DAVIDSON INC (TICKER: HDI) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

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#90236c0036 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 734,000 SHARES (7.10%) OF SILICON VALLEY GROUP INC (TICKER: SVGI) OF SAN JOSE, CA.

PURPOSE:

To show an increase in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 472
#90236c0038 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY B.A. WESTPHAL OWNS 134,850 SHARES (5.60%) OF DETECTION SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: DETC) OF FAIRPORT, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 20, 1990 and July 24, 1990, B.A. Westphal purchased 12,500 shares at a price of $4.25 to $5.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 495
#90236c0039 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 24) COMTEX - Dallas, Texas-based Comstock Resources Inc. (TICKER: CMRE) has acquired 39,000 acres of oil and gas leases in the Coon Ranch and Sneed Ranch areas of the Texas Panhandle Field for $5 million.

Comstock also raised $861,000 with a private placement Aug. 16 of 143,500 common shares, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 23, 1990

-30- 612
#90236c0040 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 24) COMTEX - Norwood, Mass.-based Analog Devices Inc. (TICKER: ADI) has acquired Precision Monolithics Inc. of Santa Clara, Calif., for $60 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 23, 1990

-30- 453
#90236c0041 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 24) COMTEX - Stamford, Conn.-based PrimeEnergy Corp. (TICKER: PNRG) has agreed to buy all the producing and non-producing oil and gas properties of Merrico Inc. and its subsidiary, Merrico Resources Inc., of Ardmore, Okla., for $10.5 million.

Merrico, which is in bankruptcy proceedings, and its subsidiary own oil and gas interests throughout 11 states, mainly in Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas.

Merrico acts as general partner in 31 partnerships, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 23, 1990

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#90236c0042 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 24) COMTEX - Norman, Okla.-based USA Waste Services Inc.(TICKER: USAS) has acquired Ellis County Disposal Inc., a Texas company that operates a waste landfill and hauling operation in Ellis County, Texas, for $1.6 million.

USA Waste Services Inc. was acquired from Bill Doherty, Gary Doherty and Gerald Doherty, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 23, 1990

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#90236c0043 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 24) COMTEX - Jackson, Miss.-based Rockwood National Corp.(TICKER: RNTL) has sold the Eastover Country Club in New Orleans to a limited partnership formed by the club's members, for $2.25 million, including $500,000 in cash and a $1.75 million note, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 23, 1990

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#90236c0044 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 24) COMTEX - American Barrick Resources Corp., (TICKER: ABX) a Toronto, Canada, gold-mining company, has raised $117 million (Canadian) with the sale of 5 million common shares.

American Barrick sold the stock to several underwriters through an Aug. 13 agreement, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 23, 1990

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#90236c0046 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 37

GROUP LED BY HERITAGE MEDIA CORP OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 2,727,500 SHARES (69.80%) OF POP RADIO CORP (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Heritage Media Corp. purchased 45,000 shares from Aug. 20-22, 1990 for $18.75 to $18.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

To increase its direct investment in Pop Radio Corp. and to assist in retaining a majority equity and voting interest in Pop Radio Corp.

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#90236c0047 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY H. DEUTSCHMAN OWNS 824,800 SHARES (8.00%) OF WORDTRONICS CORP (TICKER: H.WDW) OF PROSPECT PARK, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

From Jan. 23 to May 30, 1990, H. Deutschman purchased 433,000 shares for $.013 to $.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90236c0048 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Default Proof Credit Card System Inc.(TICKER: DPRS) lost $232,629, or $0.03 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $155,213, or $0.02 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

Default Proof Credit Card System Inc. is a development stage firm.

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#90236c0049 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Biosearch Medical Products Inc.(TICKER: BMPI) lost $198,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $2.78 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $433,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $3.46 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90236c0050 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Advanced Computer Techniques Corp.(TICKER: ACTP) earned $35,014, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.64 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $35,650, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.38 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90236c0051 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows UST Corp.(TICKER: UST) earned $2.08 million, or $0.16 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $6.95 million, or $0.54 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90236c0052 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Canyon Resources Corp.(TICKER: CYNR) lost $1.32 million, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $2.81 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $402,700, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.05 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90236c0054 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Gateway Financial Corp.(TICKER: GTWY) lost $11.59 milion, or $1.50 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $3.09 million, or $0.39 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 446

#90236c0055 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Best Energy Systems Inc.(TICKER: BENG) lost $87,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $75,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $259,000, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $180,000 for the same period in 1989.

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

-30- 507

#90236c0056 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Dollar Savings Association (TICKER: DSVG) earned $92,583, or $0.26 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $186,850, or $0.53 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 432

#90236c0057 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Celgene Corp.(TICKER: CELG) lost $1.78 million, or $0.33 per share, on revenues of $291,962 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.27 million, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $714,528 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 464

#90236c0058 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:57 that trade in Penn Central has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol PC.

-30- 303
#90236c0059 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY R. FRANKEL OWNS 1,183,176 SHARES (20.90%) OF ODYSSEY ENTERTAINMENT LTD (TICKER: ODYY) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Messrs. Marks and Sumner each exchanged 334,000 shares of Communications and Entertainment Corp. class A stock, owned by them for the same number of shares of ComEnt common stock on April 17, 1990. Mr. King received 58,889 shares of ComEnt common stock in April 1990 in connection with the termination of his employment agreement with Odyssey. Messrs. Marks and Sumner each received 17,500 shares of ComEnt common stock in connection with their purchases of ComEnt 10 percent subordinated notes in a private placement by comEnt in May of 1990. In April 1990, Messrs. Shalom, Frankel, van Ekris and Joffe exchange warrants to purchase an aggregate of warrants to purchase 446,820 shares of common stock for a total of 55,850 shares of common stock. The stockholder's agreement was amended as of June 15, 1990 to extend its duration, and will continue in effect through the annual meeting of ComEnt stockholders to be convened prior to Dec. 31, 1992, and any adjournments thereof, provided that if the merger agreement is not consummated by the earlier of Dec. 31, 1990 or the date following the meetings of the shareholders of both Odyssey and Double Helix, or if the merger agreement is terminated.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 24 and 27, 1990, Messers. Sumner and Marks sold 45,000 and 44,500 shares of common stock at a price of $1 and $.80 per share, respectively.

-30- 1740
#90236c0061 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOC LP OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 100,000 SHARES (7.60%) OF PRIME BANCORP (TICKER: PSAB) OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Harris Associates LP purchased 20,000 shares on Aug. 15, 1990 for $11.32 per share.

-30- 436

#90236c0063 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Penn Central has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol PC. Trading was resumed at 13:31.

-30- 336

#90236c0064 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Atnn Inc.(TICKER: ATNN) lost $439,488, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $8.04 milion for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $60,087, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.67 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 457

#90236c0065 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Aquasciences International Inc.(TICKER: AQSI) earned $225,684, or $0.01 per share, on total income of $448,354 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $29,659, at an unknown price per share, on total income of $274,385 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 499

#90236c0066 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lynton Group Inc.(TICKER: LYNG) earned $26,849, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.04 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $35,401, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.60 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 487

#90236c0067 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Brainerd International Inc.(TICKER: BIRI) lost $77,306, or $0.03 per share

on revenues of $386,244 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $70,351, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $400,906 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 468

#90236c0068 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Search Exploration Inc.(TICKER: SXEI) lost $88,916, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $483,397 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $122,320, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $210,952 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 467

#90236c0069 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Revotek Inc.(TICKER: RVTK) earned $74,149, or $0.01 per share, for the quarter ended July 31, 1990. Sales during the quarter amounted to $3,236.

This compares with a loss of $3,395, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $91,793 for the same period in 1989.

NOTE: THE SALES FIGURE FOR THE LATEST QUARTER WAS INCORRECT IN THE INITIAL RELEASE OF THIS REPORT.

-30- 584

#90236c0071 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First City Bancorp (TICKER: CITY) earned $59,837, or $0.05 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $99,505, or $0.15 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 414

#90236c0072 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Merchants Corp.(TICKER: FRME) earned $1.55 million, or $0.73 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.45 million, or $0.68 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 446
#90236c0073 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Independent Insurance Group Inc.(TICKER: INDH) earned $9.35 million, or $0.70 per share, on revenues of $117.86 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $6.61 million, or $0.50 per share, on revenues of $107.91 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 518
#90236c0074 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Oxford Consolidated Inc.(TICKER: OXCI) earned $110,693 (including an extraordinary gain of $44,000), or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $637,553 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $235,263 (extraordinary gain of $82,000), or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $696,397 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 551
#90236c0075 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lunn Industries Inc. earned $4,043, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.23 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $342,564, or $0.20 per sahre, on revenues of $816,045 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 458
#90236c0076 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Kustom Electronics Inc.(TICKER: KUST) earned $120,581, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $4.86 million for the quarter ended June 29, 1990.

This compares with net income of $109,200, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $2.84 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 479
#90236c0077 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hitech Engineering Co.(TICKER: THEX) earned $43,777, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $529,454 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $160,922, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $548,648 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 479

#90236c0079 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Dewani Lauro Marine Product Development Corp. lost $17,838, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1,290 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $10,545, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $3,715 for the same period in 1989.

Dewani Lauro Marine Product Development Corp is a development stage firm and is in the process of developing a gracilaria production facility.

Dewani reports that based on a study by the Department of Planning and Economic Develpment of the state of Hawaii, it is suggested that there is sufficent demand in the state for an additional 316,000 pounds of gracilaria for human consumption.

Dewani reports that because of the relatively high prices ($3.00-$6.00 per pound) of the wild gracilaria, it expects to be successful in finding a market for its product.

-30- 1088

#90236c0080 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Multivest Corp.(TICKER: MVST) lost $228,268 (including a gain of $56,092 from discontinued operations), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $2.83 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $185,482, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.57 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 517

#90236c0081 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bancshares 2000 (TICKER: BTWO) lost $4.09 million, or $1.26 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $94,000, or $0.03 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 418
#90236c0082 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Amerifirst Bank,(TICKER: AMRI) A Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: TFSB) lost $14.94 million (including a loss of $7.80 million from discontinued operations), or $1.35 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $49.06 million ($7.83 million loss from discontinued operations and an extraordinary gain of $8.44 million), or $4.37 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 623
#90236c0083 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 9, 1990, the SEC announced it had commenced a civil action against Beres Industries Inc.(TICKER: BERS), Charles Beres, Sr., Charles Beres, Jr. as well as other parties unrelated to Beres Industries.

Beres Industries reports the civil action seeks injunctive relief from Beres Industries as well as injunctive and other relief from Charles Beres Sr. and Charles Beres Jr.

The claim alleges a failure to disclose excessive underwriting fees in connection with the initial public stock offering by Beres Industries in 1986.

Beres Industries, Charles Beres, Sr. and Charles Beres Jr. have denied any wrongdoing in connection with the initial public offering and intend to vigorously defend the action.

-30- 937
#90236c0084 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Steve's Homemade Ice Cream Inc.(TICKER: STVE) lost $86,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $6.81 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $531,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $8.92 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 493
#90236c0085 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows E.N. Phillips Co.(TICKER: ENPQ) lost $242,199, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $101,839 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $129,675, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $67,132 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 451

#90236c0087 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Chemex Pharmaceuticals Inc.(TICKER: CHMX) lost $1.57 million, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $11,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.19 million, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $34,000 for the same period in 1989.

Chemex Pharmaceuticals Inc. is in the development stage and reports on June 29, 1990, it signed an agreement to sell Actinex for the treatment and prevention of actinic keratoses to Block Drug Co.(TICKER: BLOC) of New Jersey.

-30- 720

#90236c0088 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Amerihost Properties Inc.(TICKER: HOST) earned $7,813, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.16 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $20,658, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.84 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 500

#90236c0089 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pan Petroleum Master LP (TICKER: PANP) lost $54,000, or $0.01 per limited partnership unit, on revenues of $1.50 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $192,000, or $0.13 per LP unit, on revenues of $1.64 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 505

#90236c0090 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Regent Bancshares Corp.(TICKER: RBNK) earned $114,986 (including an extraordinary gain of $32,000), but lost $0.62 per share after preferred dividends of $490,250, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $43,027, or $0.16 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 508

#90236c0091 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Connecticut Water Service Inc.(TICKER: CTWS) earned $599,000, or $0.27 per share, on revenues of $7.91 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $486,000, or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $7.02 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 494

#90236c0092 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Sue Wong International Inc.(TICKER: SUEW) lost $53,496, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $548,255 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $159,468, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $658,280 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 468

#90236c0093 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - DALECO COMPANIES INC OF 3333 W PACIFIC COAST HWY, NEWPORT BCH, CA 92663, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL DALECO CORP. THROUGH CRUTTENDEN & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL DALECO CORP. TEL: 714 722-0451)

-30- 436

#90236c0095 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - P.S. KOSTOFF OF 29495 EAST RIVER RD, GROSSE ILE, MI 48138, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF AVIS FLOWERS WORLWIDE INC. THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

-30- 373

#90236c0096 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - L. ANDERTON OF 4847 SOUTH 2120 EAST, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84117, HAS FILED TO SELL 120,000 SHARES OF BRAKE EXPRESS INTL INC. THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(BRAKE EXPRESS INTL INC. TEL: 714 261-9861)

-30- 419
#90236c0097 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G.E. KLINE OF 4750 IDS CENTER, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF DENTAL RESOURCES INC. THROUGH ISBIN INVESTMENT INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 17, 1990.

(DENTAL RESOURCES INC. TEL: 612 475-3202)

-30- 407
#90236c0098 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.B. THEYS OF 155 LOMA CIRCLE, CASTLE ROCK, CO 80104, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEDECI CORP.(TICKER: MDEC) THROUGH BRENNAN ROSS SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(MEDECI CORP. TEL: 713 622-6747)

-30- 392
#90236c0099 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C. MARGULIES OF 1680 MERIDIAN AVE, MIAMI BEACH, FL 33139, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED VIRAL RESEARCH CORP.(TICKER: ADVR) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(ADVANCED VIRAL RESEARCH CORP. TEL: 305 538-0232)

-30- 452
#90236c0100 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H.H. TAYLOR JR OF 3138 S PARKER RD, AURORA, CO 80014, HAS FILED TO SELL 68,000 SHARES OF LBO CAPITAL CORP.(TICKER: LBOC) THROUGH MALONE &

ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(LBO CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 313 851-5651)

-30- 406
#90236c0101 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - N.W. BOTTOMLY OF 1388 EAST LUCKSPRING, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84106, HAS FILED TO SELL 95,000 SHARES OF MEDIZONE INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: MZEI) THROUGH FIRST MONTAUK SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(MEDIZONE INTERNATIONAL INC TEL: 212 421-0303)

-30- 444
#90236c0103 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. RATNER OF 13309 ROCKAWAY BCH BLVD, BELLE HARBOR, NY 11694, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF AMERICAN LEISURE ENTERTAINMENT I THROUGH ARIEL EQUITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(AMERICAN LEISURE ENTERTAINMENT I TEL: 516 731-3358)

-30- 446
#90236c0104 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.L. PILGER OF 5562 W FRENCH RD, JOHNSON CREEK, WI 53038, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF RUBIDELL RECREATION INC. THROUGH R.J. STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 16, 1990.

(RUBIDELL RECREATION INC. TEL: 414 723-6660)

-30- 417
#90236c0105 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.M. RAMSTAD OF 2618 CROSBY RD, WAYZATA, MN 55391, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,625 SHARES OF TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. THROUGH HAYNE MILLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 22, 1990.

(TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. TEL: 612 545-1000)

-30- 395
#90236c0106 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAROLD MUCKLEROY JR OF 3455 RANCHVIEW CT, FORT WORTH, TX 76109, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH FIRST WESTERN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 401
#90236c0107 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARILYN LANDGARTEN OF 63-34 MARATHON PKWY, DOUGLASTON, NY 11362, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,760 SHARES OF NOISE CANCELLATION TECHNOLOGIES (TICKER: NCTI) THROUGH DONALD & CO SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(NOISE CANCELLATION TECHNOLOGIES TEL: 301 381-0500)

-30- 469
#90236c0108 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK MAZZA OF 755 WEST BIG BEAVER #113, TROY, MI 48084, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AIR SENSORS INC. (TICKER: ARSN) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(AIR SENSORS INC. TEL: 206 575-1594)

-30- 407
#90236c0109 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEO TOBIN OF 11572 VIKING AVE, NORTHRIDGE, CA 91326, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 213 468-8867)

-30- 425

#90236c0111 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ADAM LEVY OF 134 EAST 22ND ST, NEW YORK, NY 10010, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF NOISE CANCELLATION TECHNOLOGIES (TICKER: NCTI) THROUGH BERKELEY SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(NOISE CANCELLATION TECHNOLOGIES TEL: 212 560-1275)

-30- 446
#90236c0112 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL HAY OF 1002 MAPLETON AVE, BOULDER, CO 80304, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CELL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 303 443-8155)

-30- 406
#90236c0113 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLAIRE C HAY OF 1002 MAPLETON AVE, BOULDER, CO 80304, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CELL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 303 443-8155)

-30- 409
#90236c0114 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER D HAY OF 1002 MAPLETON AVE, BOULDER, CO 80304, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CELL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 303 443-8155)

-30- 408
#90236c0115 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES B HAY OF 1002 MAPLETON AVE, BOULDER, CO 80304, HAS FILED TO

SELL 6,000 SHARES OF CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CELL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 303 443-8155)

-30- 408
#90236c0116 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R MICHAEL STILL OF 4340 S VICTOR, EIGHT E THIRD ST, TULSA, OK 74105, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF PARKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: PKD) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(PARKER DRILLING CO. TEL: 918 585-8221)

-30- 420
#90236c0117 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEFTON HARRIET TRUST OF 980 ATLANTIC AVE STE 101, ALAMADA, CA 94501, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,400 SHARES OF AQUANAUTICS CORP. (TICKER: AQNT) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(AQUANAUTICS CORP. TEL: 415 521-4331)

-30- 431
#90236c0119 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUCE R MATZA OF 145 MORNINGSIDE DR SE, GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49506, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF GANTOS INC. (TICKER: GTOS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(GANTOS INC. TEL: 616 949-7000)

-30- 400
#90236c0120 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J REHWALD OF 2414 ASHLAND AVE, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,200 SHARES OF SGI INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SGII) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(SGI INTERNATIONAL TEL: 619 452-0841)

-30- 407
#90236c0121 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES W AUSTIN OF 116 SUMMERFIELD DR, PONTE VEDRA BCH, FL 32082, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF UNICO INC. (DE) (TICKER: UICO) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(UNICO INC. (DE) TEL: 405 848-9511)

-30- 406
#90236c0122 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VIRGINIA GETZ OF 3819 SAWTELLE #D, LOS ANGELES, CA 90066, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 427
#90236c0123 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIRSTIN ANDREJKOVICS OF 1579 STRAITS TPKE, MIDDLEBURY, CT 06762, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GDC) THROUGH COBURN & MEREDITH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 203 574-1118)

-30- 453
#90236c0124 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LOUISA BABICH OF 32 MAIN PARKWAY, PLAINVIEW, NY 11803, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,500 SHARES OF EASTCO INDUSTRIAL SAFETY CORP. (TICKER: ESTO) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(EASTCO INDUSTRIAL SAFETY CORP. TEL: 516 427-1802)

-30- 437

#90236c0125 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHNSON DEBRA M TR #3 OF 1579 STRAITS TURNPIKE, MIDDLEBURY, CT 06762 HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GDC) THROUGH COBURN & MEREDITH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 203 574-1118)

-30- 464
#90236c0127 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM P TEW OF 6000 METRO DR, BALTIMORE, MD 21215, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,625 SHARES OF CHESAPEAKE BIOLOGICAL LABORATORI (TICKER: CHBA) THROUGH CHAPIN DAVIS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(CHESAPEAKE BIOLOGICAL LABORATORI TEL: 301 358-9600)

-30- 446
#90236c0128 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID FINKLE OF 125 MONTANA AVE, APT 308, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,662 SHARES OF SCRIPT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SCPT) THROUGH TROSTER SINGER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 16, 1990.

(SCRIPT SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 201 343-8500)

-30- 416
#90236c0129 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KAREN K HITT OF 2862 MCGAW, IRVINE, CA 92714, HAS FILED TO SELL 300,000 SHARES OF COMPARATOR SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: IDID) THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(COMPARATOR SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 714 851-4300)

-30- 420
#90236c0130 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - REBEKAH E LAGON OF 1611 E HEDGECROFT SEABROOK, TEXAS, TX 77586, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,300 SHARES OF STERLING CHEMICALS INC. (TICKER: STX) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(STERLING CHEMICALS INC. TEL: 713 650-3700)

-30- 425
#90236c0131 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARY V ZAMECMIK OF 222 MAPLE AVE, SHREWSBURG, MA 01545, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: CRIC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH INC. TEL: 617 275-0004)

-30- 436
#90236c0132 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS C JUDD OF 24555 PENROSE DR, FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 48336, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,870 SHARES OF NATIONAL TECHTEAM INC. (TICKER: TEAM) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20 1990.

(NATIONAL TECHTEAM INC. TEL: 313 277-2277)

-30- 429
#90236c0133 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LANGAN JAMES M TRUST OF JEFFERSON OFFICE PARK, 790 TURNPIKE ST, NORTH ANDOVER, MA 01845, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SOFTWARE SERVICES OF AMERICA INC (TICKER: SSOA) THROUGH CANTELLA & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 21, 1990.

(SOFTWARE SERVICES OF AMERICA INC TEL: 508 681-0802)

-30- 489
#90236c0135 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM E DARK OF 258 ATLANTA PARK, CONROE, TX 77302, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF SWIFT ENERGY CO. (TICKER: SFY) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER

INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 21, 1990.

(SWIFT ENERGY CO. TEL: 713 874-2700)

-30- 398
#90236c0136 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUNWESTERN VENTURES LTD OF 12221 MERIT DR #1300, DALLAS, TX 75251, HAS FILED TO SELL 34,182 SHARES OF A & W BRANDS INC. (TICKER: SODA) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(A & W BRANDS INC. TEL: 914 683-5890)

-30- 433
#90236c0137 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOGGETT R G LAW OFFICE TRUST OF 6401 EAST ROGERS CIRCLE STE 4, BOCA RATON, FL 33487, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF MET CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: MCAP) THROUGH J W CHARLES SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(MET CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 241-6750)

-30- 453
#90236c0138 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA FUND OF 100 NE ADAMS ST, PEORIA, IL 61629, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF CATERPILLAR INC. (TICKER: CAT) THROUGH BROWN BROTHERS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(CATERPILLAR INC. TEL: 309 675-1000)

-30- 425
#90236c0139 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD L BORNHUETTER OF 21C MAPLE TREE AVE, 0, STAMFORD, CT 06906, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF NAC RE CORP. (TICKER: NREC) THROUGH DILLON READ & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(NAC RE CORP. TEL: 203 622-5200)

-30- 405
#90236c0140 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ABRAMSON JUDITH TRUST OF 920-B HARVEST DR, UNION MEETING CORPORATE CENTER, BLUE BELL, PA 19422, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,995 SHARES OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. TEL: 215 540-0910)

-30- 471
#90236c0141 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WOLFSON NANCY TRUST OF 920-B HARVEST DR, UNION MEETING CORPORATE CENTER, BLUE BELL, PA 19422, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,995 SHARES OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. TEL: 215 540-0910)

-30- 467
#90236c0143 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOGGETT R G LAW OFFICE TRUST OF 6401 EAST ROGERS CIRCLE STE 4, BOCA RATON, FL 33487, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF MET CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: MCAP) THROUGH J W CHARLES SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(MET CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 241-6750)

-30- 453
#90236c0144 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOGGETT R G LAW OFFICE TRUST OF 6401 EAST ROGERS CIRCLE STE 4, BOCA RATON, FL 33487, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF MET CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: MCAP) THROUGH J W CHARLES SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(MET CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 241-6750)

-30- 453
#90236c0145 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOGGETT R G LAW OFFICE TRUST OF 6401 EAST ROGERS CIRCLE STE 4, BOCA RATON, FL 33487, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF MET CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: MCAP) THROUGH J W CHARLES SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(MET CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 241-6750)

-30- 455
#90236c0146 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOGGETT R G LAW OFFICE TRUST OF 6401 EAST ROGERS CIRCLE STE 4, BOCA RATON, FL 33487, HAS FILED TO SELL 300,000 SHARES OF MET CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: MCAP) THROUGH J W CHARLES SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 17, 1990.

(MET CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 241-6750)

-30- 455
#90236c0147 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LESTER A WARD OF 19930 STONY POINT WAY, GERMANTOWN, MD 20874, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF AGRIPOST INC. (TICKER: AGRI) THROUGH G K SCOTT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(AGRIPOST INC. TEL: 305 971-9167)

-30- 395
#90236c0148 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J BAIRD JR OF 6 GITTINGS AVE, BALTO, MD 21212, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,567 SHARES OF CORROON & BLACK CORP. (TICKER: CBL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(CORROON & BLACK CORP. TEL: 212 363-4100)

-30- 414
#90236c0149 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ZELLA A RUSHING OF 1375 POTRERO CIRCLE, 0, POTRERO, CA 92063, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF H & H OIL TOOL CO. (TICKER: HHOT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 21, 1990.

(H & H OIL TOOL CO. TEL: 805 525-6679)

-30- 415
#90236c0151 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM V WEITHAS OF 5 BROADMOOR DR, RUMSON, NJ 07760, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. TEL: 212 399-8000)

-30- 436
#90236c0152 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLARK JOHN E TRUST OF 425 POST RD, FAIRFIELD, CT 06430, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,500 SHARES OF ACME UNITED CORP. (TICKER: ACU) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(ACME UNITED CORP. TEL: 203 255-2744)

-30- 410
#90236c0153 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM WEISSBUCH OF 19027 NE 18TH AVE, N MIAMI BCH, FL 33179, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF OPTICORP INC. (TICKER: LOOK) THROUGH CORPORATE SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(OPTICORP INC. TEL: 804 861-6766)

-30- 409
#90236c0154 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD J MANETTI OF 1377 K STREET NW, SUITE 822, WASHINGTON, DC 20005, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH TRI-BRADLEY INVSTMNTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-7330)

-30- 429
#90236c0155 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN J KEARY JR OF 75 MAPLE AVE, TROY, NY 12180, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1980.

(MEGA GROUP INC. TEL: 518 271-6044)

-30- 391
#90236c0156 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - UZI ZUCKER OF 245 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10167, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. TEL: 212 272-2000)

-30- 429
#90236c0157 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD R JUDD OF 6218 N 47TH ST, PARADISE VALLEY, AZ 85253, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PHELPS DODGE CORP. (TICKER: PD) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(PHELPS DODGE CORP. TEL: 602 234-8100)

-30- 412
#90236c0159 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT H MEYERS JR OF 7 HORSESHOE DR, MT LAUREL, NJ 08054, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH)

THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 818 706-8989)

-30- 447
#90236c0160 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALTER J SALMON OF 145 PLEASANT HILL RD, SCARBOROUGH, ME 04074, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,632 SHARES OF HANNAFORD BROTHERS CO. (TICKER: HRD) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(HANNAFORD BROTHERS CO. TEL: 207 883-2911)

-30- 425
#90236c0161 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S ELIOT LEVINE OF 246 N SALTAIR, LOS ANGELES, CA 90049, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF LUTHER MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: LUTH) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(LUTHER MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 714 544-3002)

-30- 436
#90236c0162 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PIPER JAFFRAY INC OF 222 SOUTH 9TH ST, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF AMERICAN GOVERNMENT INCOME PORTF (TICKER: AAF) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(AMERICAN GOVERNMENT INCOME PORTF TEL: 612 342-6413)

-30- 466
#90236c0163 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THEODORE L JACOBSEN OF 41 LENAPE TRAIL, BRICKTOWN, NJ 08724, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA IN (TICKER: ENSA) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA IN TEL: 201 589-3850)

-30- 463
#90236c0164 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT P MCGRATH OF #2 SIXTH AVE, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94188, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF MCGRATH RENTCORP. (TICKER: MGRC) THROUGH BATEMAN EICHLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(MCGRATH RENTCORP. TEL: 415 276-2626)

-30- 414
#90236c0165 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Biopool International Inc.(TICKER: BIPL) lost $127,882, or $0.02 per share on revenues of $635,824 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $611,283, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $255,965 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 469
#90236c0167 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Magic Circle Energy Corp. (TICKER: MCEN) earned $79,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $721,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $38,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $828,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 478
#90236c0168 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Foreland Corp. (TICKER: FORL) lost $276,961, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $94,411 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $300,027, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $127,067 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 455
#90236c0169 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 27, 1990, the board of directors of Secom General Corp.(TICKER: SEC

accepted the resignation of Marvin S. Rosoff as chairman of the board of directors.

Secom General Corp.'s remaining directors then appointed Roy McKnight as chairman.

-30- 458

#90236c0170 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Armada Corp.(TICKER: ABW) lost $261,000, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $16.72 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $370,000, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $19.50 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 462

#90236c0171 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Seaway Financial Corp. earned $1.63 million, or $1.27 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.64 million, or $1.28 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 425

#90236c0172 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Chittenden Corp. (TICKER: CNDN) earned $219,000, or $0.05 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2 million, or $0.43 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 428

#90236c0173 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows IWC Resources Corp.(TICKER: IWCR) earned $1.40 million, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $12.73 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.25 million, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $12.22 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 487

#90236c0175 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Beres Industries Inc.(TICKER: BERS) lost $125,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.66 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $115,600, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.64 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 469
#90236c0176 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 12, 1990, G.C. SCOTT, DIR. OF BERGSTROM CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BEM), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $62.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDING TO 600.

-30- 306
#90236c0177 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, A.B. KREMPP, DIR. OF DCB CORP. BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 268
#90236c0178 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, R.E. HIRSCHMAN, DIR. OF DROVERS BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 1,225 SHARES AT $36.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,972.

-30- 311
#90236c0179 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, R.E. HIRSCHMAN, DIR. OF DROVERS BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 260 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,747.

-30- 305
#90236c0180 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 2, 1990, J.F. GUSSIO JR, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL FINANCIAL

CORP. (MISSISSIPPI) SOLD 1,918 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90236c0181 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, N.P. HORNER, DIR. OF GREENE COUNTY BANCSHARES INC. SOLD 210 SHARES AT $205.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90236c0183 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 1, 1986, KOBER T.E. ESTATE, BEN. OWNER OF KOBER CORP.(TICKER: KOBR) BOUGHT 500,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90236c0184 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 15, 1986, KOBER T.E. ESTATE, BEN. OWNER OF KOBER CORP.(TICKER: KOBR) BOUGHT 44,204 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,801,507.

-30- 334
#90236c0185 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1988, KOBER T.E. ESTATE, BEN. OWNER OF KOBER CORP.(TICKER: KOBR) BOUGHT 793,355 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,344,862.

-30- 338
#90236c0186 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 18, 1990, L.L. LEE, CHAIRMAN OF LEES INNS OF AMERICA INC. BOUGHT 240 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90236c0187 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 27, 1990, L.L. LEE, CHAIRMAN OF LEES INNS OF AMERICA INC. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90236c0188 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, L.L. LEE, CHAIRMAN OF LEES INNS OF AMERICA INC. BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 549,327.

-30- 305
#90236c0189 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 16, 1990, L.L. LEE, CHAIRMAN OF LEES INNS OF AMERICA INC. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 547,587.

-30- 304
#90236c0191 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, P.O. STILLMAN, DIR. OF NBT BANCORP INC (TICKER: NBTB) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,512.

-30- 302
#90236c0192 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 6, 1990, R.L. MEADOR, DIR. OF SOUTHERN HERITAGE INSURANCE CO. BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90236c0193 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, D.D. HOOK, SHAREHOLDER OF UNCLE GEORGE'S PIZZA & SUBS INC. SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90236c0194 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, D.D. HOOK, SHAREHOLDER OF UNCLE GEORGE'S PIZZA & SUBS INC. SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING HOLDINGS TO 1,750,000.

-30- 343
#90236c0195 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 20, 1989, M.M. LOGAN, VP OF COLUMBUS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CMBE), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90236c0196 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 21, 1989, M.M. LOGAN, VP OF COLUMBUS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CMBE), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 302
#90236c0197 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 29, 1990, D.R. SMITH, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST OF AMERICA BANK CORP. (TICKER: FOA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $48.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90236c0199 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, AMERICAN SCREEN CO, BEN. OWNER OF TVC IMAGE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: TVCI) BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90236c0200 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, AMERICAN SCREEN CO, BEN. OWNER OF TVC IMAGE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: TVCI) BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90236c0201 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, AMERICAN SCREEN CO, BEN. OWNER OF TVC IMAGE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: TVCI) BOUGHT 32,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90236c0202 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, AMERICAN SCREEN CO, BEN. OWNER OF TVC IMAGE TECHNOLOGY INC.(TICKER: TVCI) BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,000.

-30- 362
#90236c0203 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 11, 1990, T.W. WATHEN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PINKERTON'S INC. (TICKER: PKTN), SOLD 666,667 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90236c0204 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 27, 1990, J. LOSCALZO, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: INBC) (NEW JERSEY) BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,518.

-30- 332
#90236c0205 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM L MUNSON, OF AMBASE CORP. (TICKER: ABC), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,413.

-30- 291
#90236c0207 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DONALD E PAULSON, OFFICER OF ALPHA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AHA), BOUGHT 246 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,610.

-30- 310
#90236c0208 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DAVID B HOCH, OFFICER OF GALLAGHER (ARTHUR J.) & CO. (TICKER: AJG), SOLD 182 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90236c0209 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT W HINMAN, DIR. OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90236c0210 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT W HINMAN, DIR. OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,224.

-30- 322
#90236c0211 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT E WYCOFF, PRES. OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO. (TICKER: ARC), SOLD 2,400 SHARES AT $135.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90236c0212 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT E WYCOFF, PRES. OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO. (TICKER: ARC), SOLD 1,337 SHARES AT $135.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,008.

-30- 324
#90236c0213 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WALTER G GADIENT, DIR. OF ADVANCE ROSS CORP. (TICKER: AROS), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90236c0215 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, WILLIAM M ERRICKSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BASE TEN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: BASE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 351
#90236c0216 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, TIMOTHY P LAWIN, VP OF BIOPLASTY INC. (TICKER: BIOP), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $4.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90236c0217 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, TIMOTHY P LAWIN, VP OF BIOPLASTY INC. (TICKER: BIOP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 216,428.

-30- 299
#90236c0218 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, LUTHER F HACKETT, DIR. OF BANKNORTH GROUP INC. (TICKER: BKNG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90236c0219 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DONALD R STEPHENS, CHAIRMAN OF BANK SAN FRANCISCO

CO. HOLDING CO. (DEL) (TICKER: BOF), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 538,648.

-30- 368
#90236c0220 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, EDWIN A GEE, DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90236c0221 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, EDWIN A GEE, DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90236c0223 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, EMERSON H OBRIEN, DIR. OF CHESHIRE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFNH), BOUGHT 4,125 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,000.

-30- 328
#90236c0224 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, MICHAEL BROWN, DIR. OF CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CINF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $82.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,982.

-30- 320
#90236c0225 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, DAVID F OCONNOR, VP OF CHECK ROBOT INC. (TICKER: CKRB), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,958.

-30- 306

#90236c0226 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES A MITCHELL, VP OF COMERICA INC. (TICKER: CMCA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $38.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90236c0227 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WARREN C COOK, DIR. OF CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. (TICKER: CMFB), SOLD 24,718 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,835.

-30- 317
#90236c0228 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SOUP SVGS & 401K CAMPBELL, BEN. OWNER OF CAMPBELL SOUP CO. (TICKER: CPB), BOUGHT 111 SHARES AT $53.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,107.

-30- 335
#90236c0229 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, MICHAEL M TOMIC, DIR. OF CHAMPIONS SPORTS INC. (TICKER: CSBR), SOLD 3,770,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,729,999.

-30- 342
#90236c0231 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, NELSON G HARRIS, DIR. OF CORESTATES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSFN), BOUGHT 340 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90236c0232 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1989, ANGELO R MOZILO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE MORTGAGE INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: CWM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER

SHARE.

-30- 337
#90236c0233 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 09, 1989, ANGELO R MOZILO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE MORTGAGE INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: CWM), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90236c0234 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1989, ANGELO R MOZILO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE MORTGAGE INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: CWM), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90236c0235 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1989, ANGELO R MOZILO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE MORTGAGE INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: CWM), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90236c0236 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1989, ANGELO R MOZILO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE MORTGAGE INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: CWM), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90236c0237 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 22, 1989, ANGELO R MOZILO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE MORTGAGE INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: CWM), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90236c0239 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 24, 1990, ANGELO R MOZILO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE MORTGAGE INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: CWM), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90236c0240 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 09, 1990, ANGELO R MOZILO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE MORTGAGE INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: CWM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90236c0241 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ANGELO R MOZILO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE MORTGAGE INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: CWM), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,500.

-30- 373
#90236c0242 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RAND V ARASKOG, DIR. OF DAYTON HUDSON CORP. (TICKER: DH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $62.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,483.

-30- 313
#90236c0243 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, NORMAN PACHTMAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DOSE), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 707,000.

-30- 375
#90236c0244 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, MARVIN SIROTA, CHAIRMAN OF CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DOSE), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 710,000.

-30- 331
#90236c0245 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HERBERT L MILLER, CHAIRMAN OF EASTLAND FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: EAFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90236c0247 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOHN G L CABOT, DIR. OF EATON VANCE CORP. (TICKER: EAVN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 310
#90236c0248 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, MANCER J CYR, SHAREHOLDER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,000.

-30- 305
#90236c0249 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RICHARD J PATZKE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ENERGEN CORP. (TICKER: EGN), SOLD 2,286 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,040.

-30- 326
#90236c0250 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, T WAYNE DAVIS JR, DIR. OF THE ENSTAR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ENST), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 584,162.

-30- 319
#90236c0251 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, MARY A KIRK, DIR. OF FIRST CENTENNIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90236c0252 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, MARY A KIRK, DIR. OF FIRST CENTENNIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,232,625.

-30- 318
#90236c0253 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, KLK CONSULTING & MGMT CORP, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST CENTENNIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90236c0255 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, LISA A SANDERSON, DIR. OF FIRST CENTENNIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90236c0256 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, LISA A SANDERSON, DIR. OF FIRST CENTENNIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 824,750.

-30- 328
#90236c0257 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, STEVEN C SIGNER, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST CENTENNIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90236c0258 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, STEVEN C SIGNER, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST CENTENNIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,237,125.

-30- 336
#90236c0259 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,581,884.

-30- 353
#90236c0260 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, MARK M RUBIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST REGIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FRGB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,400.

-30- 375
#90236c0261 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JACK A SWEENEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST REGIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FRGB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,400.

-30- 377
#90236c0263 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MERTON CORN, PRES. OF GATEWAY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GBAN), BOUGHT 10,578 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,323.

-30- 315
#90236c0264 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN LAGANA JR, DIR. OF GATEWAY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GBAN), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,160.

-30- 312
#90236c0265 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, HENRY P PICCIURRO, DIR. OF GATEWAY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GBAN), SOLD 10,578 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 108,904.

-30- 324
#90236c0266 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CHARLES L COONEY, SHAREHOLDER OF GENZYME CORP. (TICKER: GENZ), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90236c0267 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, CHARLES L COONEY, SHAREHOLDER OF GENZYME CORP. (TICKER: GENZ), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,996.

-30- 316
#90236c0268 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 09, 1990, MICHAEL J GAIDO JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE GNI GROUP INC. (TICKER: GNUC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 169,400.

-30- 326
#90236c0269 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, E ROGER CLARK, DIR. OF GATEWAY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GTWY), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,912.

-30- 317
#90236c0271 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, WILLARD J OVERLOCK, DIR. OF GATEWAY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GTWY), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,500.

-30- 328
#90236c0272 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, CLIFFORD J HARPER, VP OF GROUNDWATER TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GWTI), SOLD 329 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101.

-30- 321
#90236c0273 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1988, MITCHELL G MENIK, VP OF KENILWORTH SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: KENS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90236c0274 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1988, MITCHELL G MENIK, VP OF KENILWORTH SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: KENS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $0.54 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,900.

-30- 316
#90236c0275 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 13, 1989, MITCHELL G MENIK, VP OF KENILWORTH SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: KENS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90236c0276 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 26, 1989, MITCHELL G MENIK, VP OF KENILWORTH SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: KENS), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $0.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90236c0277 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 29, 1989, MITCHELL G MENIK, VP OF KENILWORTH SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: KENS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90236c0279 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1990, MITCHELL G MENIK, VP OF KENILWORTH SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: KENS), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 325
#90236c0280 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, MITCHELL G MENIK, VP OF KENILWORTH SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: KENS), SOLD 16,000 SHARES AT $0.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,200.

-30- 321
#90236c0281 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOSEPH L DIONNE, DIR. OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $26.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 291
#90236c0282 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JERRY T BEDDOW, VP OF INTELLICALL INC. (TICKER:

ICL), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 301
#90236c0283 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ERNEST E KEET, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF INFORMATION SCIENCE INC. (TICKER: INSI), BOUGHT 64,133 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 419,489.

-30- 354
#90236c0284 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, PETER POTTSCHULTE, VP OF INTERMEC CORP. (TICKER: INTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,384.

-30- 304
#90236c0285 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, CURTIS D BROWN, VP OF IOMEGA CORP. (TICKER: IOMG), BOUGHT 245 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90236c0287 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, CURTIS D BROWN, VP OF IOMEGA CORP. (TICKER: IOMG), BOUGHT 712 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 712.

-30- 286
#90236c0288 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HARLAN W MURRAY, VP OF ITT CORP. (TICKER: ITT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $54.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,721.

-30- 286
#90236c0289 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, GEORGE H CHITTENDEN, DIR. OF JAPAN OTC EQUITY FD INC. (TICKER: JOF), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 327
#90236c0290 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WILLIAM N HEIDE, VP OF KAY JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: KJI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,991.

-30- 301
#90236c0291 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, MICHAEL A GOLD, DIR. OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,450.

-30- 332
#90236c0292 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN A ANTHES JR, VP OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 670 SHARES AT $1.83 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,883.

-30- 296
#90236c0293 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT L TAYLOR, DIR. OF LIBERTY NATL BANCORP INC.(KY) (TICKER: LNBC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 328
#90236c0295 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, WILLIAM C WARDEN, OFFICER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER:

LOW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 298
#90236c0296 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, WILLIAM C WARDEN, OFFICER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 300
#90236c0297 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, KASAKS S FRAME, OFFICER OF THE LIMITED INC. (TICKER: LTD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90236c0298 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FRANK V CAHOUET, CHAIRMAN OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90236c0299 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, FRANK V CAHOUET, CHAIRMAN OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,850.

-30- 318
#90236c0300 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, W STURGIS CORBETT, VP OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 315

#90236c0301 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 29, 1990, DARRYL RUBIN, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 937 SHARES AT $91.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90236c0303 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 26, 1990, DARRYL RUBIN, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 3,750 SHARES AT $91.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90236c0304 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JAMES V IACO, OFFICER OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $51.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90236c0305 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JAMES V IACO, OFFICER OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $51.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90236c0306 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JAMES V IACO, OFFICER OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $51.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90236c0307 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, JAMES V IACO, OFFICER OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 1,717 SHARES AT $52.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 261

#90236c0308 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JAMES V IACO, OFFICER OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $51.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90236c0309 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, CARL BRADY JR, DIR. OF NATIONAL BANCORP. OF ALASKA (TICKER: NBAK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90236c0311 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BERNARD B BUTCHER, DIR. OF NBD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBD), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,400.

-30- 306
#90236c0312 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JAMES WILLIAM THOMPSON, DIR. OF NCNB CORP. (TICKER: NCB), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $37.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,858.

-30- 305
#90236c0313 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, BARBARA J FORAN, OFFICER OF NFS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: NFSF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 313
#90236c0314 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ALLEN H SELIG, DIR. OF OIL-DRI CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: OILC), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 315
#90236c0315 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, INGVAR B PETTERSSON, DIR. OF ONCOR INC. (TICKER: ONCR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 319
#90236c0316 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, E B WOOD JR, DIR. OF ONE VALLEY BANCORP OF WEST VIRGINIA INC. (TICKER: OVWV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,063.

-30- 346
#90236c0317 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROGER IJ WERTENBERGER, CHAIRMAN OF PEOPLES FEDERAL SVGS BANK DEKALB CNTY(IN) (TICKER: PFDC), BOUGHT 715 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,715.

-30- 380
#90236c0319 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1990, JOHN F LAWLOR, VP OF THE PIONEER GROUP INC. (TICKER: PIOG), SOLD 520 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,575.

-30- 305
#90236c0320 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, CLIFFORD J GRUM, DIR. OF PREMARK INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: PMI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,062.

-30- 318
#90236c0321 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, THOMAS P ONEILL, OFFICER OF PREMARK INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: PMI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 320
#90236c0322 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID R PARKER, DIR. OF PREMARK INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: PMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 319
#90236c0323 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JAMES E ROSE JR, OFFICER OF PREMARK INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: PMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,769.

-30- 323
#90236c0324 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JAMES E ROSE JR, OFFICER OF PREMARK INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: PMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,217.

-30- 324
#90236c0325 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: PNY), BOUGHT 20,100 SHARES AT $27.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,347,500.

-30- 363
#90236c0327 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ANTHONY PEDONE, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO. (TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $10.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90236c0328 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ANTHONY PEDONE, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO. (TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.59 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90236c0329 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, ANTHONY PEDONE, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO. (TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 304,900.

-30- 329
#90236c0330 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JOHN L CANTRELL, VP OF RIBI IMMUNOCHEM RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: RIBI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90236c0331 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, JOHN L CANTRELL, VP OF RIBI IMMUNOCHEM RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: RIBI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90236c0332 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JOHN L CANTRELL, VP OF RIBI IMMUNOCHEM RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: RIBI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,000.

-30- 331

#90236c0333 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, PHIL K LIVINGSTON, DIR. OF SANDERSON FARMS INC. (TICKER: SAFM), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 318
#90236c0335 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, DENNIS S HUDSON JR, PRES. OF SEACOAST BANKING CORP. OF FLORIDA (TICKER: SBCF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90236c0336 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, DENNIS S HUDSON JR, PRES. OF SEACOAST BANKING CORP. OF FLORIDA (TICKER: SBCF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90236c0337 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, DENNIS S HUDSON JR, PRES. OF SEACOAST BANKING CORP. OF FLORIDA (TICKER: SBCF), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 214,127.

-30- 345
#90236c0338 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, RANDOLPH W WYCKOFF, VP OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 128 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,619.

-30- 310
#90236c0339 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, WILLIAM H SANDY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SANDY CORP. (TICKER: SDY), BOUGHT 107,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90236c0340 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, WILLIAM H SANDY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SANDY CORP. (TICKER: SDY), BOUGHT 43,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,193,350.

-30- 328
#90236c0341 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JAMES R YEATES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SHL SYSTEMHOUSE INC. (TICKER: SHKI), BOUGHT 311 SHARES AT $8.29 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,739.

-30- 337
#90236c0343 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1988, RUTH E WARREN, OFFICER OF JONES SPACELINK LTD. (TICKER: SPLK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90236c0344 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 24, 1990, RUTH E WARREN, OFFICER OF JONES SPACELINK LTD. (TICKER: SPLK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 319
#90236c0345 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, EDMUND H DAMON, DIR. OF STEVENS GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: SVG), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 316
#90236c0346 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JAMES L FERMAN JR, DIR. OF TECO ENERGY INC. (TICKER: TE), BOUGHT 990 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,282.

-30- 304
#90236c0347 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JOHN N HATSOPOULOS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90236c0348 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JOHN N HATSOPOULOS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,356.

-30- 358
#90236c0349 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, TEXTRON INC ESSP, BEN. OWNER OF TEXTRON INC. (TICKER: TXT), BOUGHT 173,670 SHARES AT $23.36 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90236c0351 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, GEORGE J MCNALLY, DIR. OF UNITED BANKSHARES INC. (WV) (TICKER: UBSI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,110.

-30- 332
#90236c0352 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 26, 1990, RICHARD A CAMPBELL, DIR. OF UNITED COS. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UNCF), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90236c0353 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, RICHARD A CAMPBELL, DIR. OF UNITED COS. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UNCF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,622.

-30- 329
#90236c0354 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, HARRY VANBENSCHOTEN, DIR. OF UNIVERSITY PATENTS INC. (TICKER: UPT), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,502.

-30- 324
#90236c0355 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, STANSFIELD TURNER, DIR. OF WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: WCTV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90236c0356 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RICHARD P GARVEY, DIR. OF EXCEL BANCORP INC.,QUINCY (MA) (TICKER: XCEL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,744.

-30- 331
#90236c0357 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

GROUP LED BY BK CAPITAL PARTNERS III OWNS 1,364,000 SHARES (23.06%) OF FREQUENCY ELECTRONICS INC (TICKER: FEI) OF MITCHELL FIELD, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Prior to the last annual election of directors, RCBA Inc. declined to

accept a nomination of their representative as a director, but RCBA Inc. may reconsider the possibility in the future.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 20 and 22, 1990, BK Capital Partners III 77,700 shares at a price of $5.30 to $5.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment

-30- 716
#90236c0359 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L. JAO OWNS 387,907 SHARES (11.50%) OF TONS OF TOYS INC (TICKER: TONS) OF WAREHAM, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As part of Tons of Toys Inc.'s plan of reorganization approved by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court on July 31, 1990, Ms. Jao received 387,907 shares of common stock in exchange for 2,239 shares of common stock of T.H.E. Corp. Inc., pursuant to an exchange agreement, as amended July 30, 1990. Ms. Jao executed a senior subordinated note advancing the principal amount of $5,000 to Tons of Toys Inc. which becomes due and payable at the earlier of Jan. 31, 1992 or five business days following the receipt by Tons of Toys Inc. of proceeds from the issuance of its equity securities in an amount of at least $4,000,000.

PURPOSE:

Investment

-30- 949
#90236c0360 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

SMITH TECHNOLOGIES INC OWNS 833,333 SHARES (19.90%) OF FLIGHT INTL GROUP INC (TICKER: FLTI) OF NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 500,000 shares of common stock subject to an option which will become exercisable within 60 days of the date hereof. Smith Technologies Inc. has the right, which is not presently exercisable and will not become exercisable within 60 days of the date hereof, to acquire up to 5,000,000 additional shares of common stock from Flight International Group Inc. upon the exercise of subsequent installments of the option.

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#90236c0361 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

S.A. WYNN OWNS 5,460,831 SHARES (31.10%) OF GOLDEN NUGGET INC (TICKER: GNG) OF LAS VEGAS, NV.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a security agreement and pledge of stock dated May 1, 1988, between Mr. Wynn and Valley Bank of Nevada, Mr. Wynn has pledged 1,467,150 shares to secure notes payable to the bank. Mr. Wynn has, also, pledged 515,450 shares of common stock to secure indebtedness payable to First Fidelity Bank, New Jersey as evidenced by a Time or Demand Note - Secured dated Sept. 20, 1984.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 3 and 11, 1990, S.A. Wynn sold 150,000 shares at a price of $34.50 to $35.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90236c0362 08/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

GROUP LED BY BK CAPITAL PARTNERS III OWNS 1,364,000 SHARES (23.06%) OF FREQUENCY ELECTRONICS INC (TICKER: FEI) OF MITCHELL FIELD, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Prior to the last annual election of directors, RCBA Inc. declined to accept a nomination of their representative as a director, but RCBA Inc. may reconsider the possibility in the future.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 20 and 22, 1990, BK Capital Partners III 77,700 shares at a price of $5.30 to $5.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment

-30- 716

#90236c0367 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 27) COMTEX - Arlington, Va.-based USLICO Corp. (TICKER: USC) has agreed to sell its prperty/casualty division to Harleysville Mutual Insurance Co. for $135 million, consisting of $110 million cash an in a related deal, USLICO agreed to buy Harleysville Life Insurance Co. for $17 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 24, 1990

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#90236c0368 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 27) COMTEX - Jackson, Mich.-based Sparton Corp. (TICKER: SPA) has agreed to sell its Michigan Oil Co. unit to Taconic Petroleum Corp., a privately held Tulsa, Okla., energy company, for $8 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Aug. 24, 1990.

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#90236c0369 08/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 27) COMTEX - Wellesley, Mass.-based EG&G Inc. (TICKER: EGG) has agreed to sell its Fluid Components Technology Group to TI Group P.L.C. of Britain for $240 million cash, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on

-30- 476
#90236d2060 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 24) - The Russian Federation will respect the Soviet Union's trade commitments to foreign partners, Russian Deputy Prime Minister Gennady Fishin said Thursday, announcing a policy reversal.

"The process of redefining the duties and competence exercised by the republican and federal governments does not concern the international accords of the country," Fishin was quoted by the non-official Interfax agency as saying.

Russia will "fulfil its obligations towards foreign partners, including those recently contracted by the Soviet government without consulting the Russian government," Fishin added.

The announcement overturned decrees by the presidium of the largest republic in the Soviet Union, which a month ago "banned" the Soviet Union from exporting Russia's gold, precious stones and "strategic resources".

The ban had particularly concerned "the diamond trade with the Swiss subsidiary of the South African firm De Beers, which gave the company exclusive rights to sell Soviet diamonds for five years," Fishin said.

Russian Foreign Trade Minister Viktor Yaroshenko, meanwhile, Thursday said that Russia "bears 80 percent of the debt burden of the country, and there should be no doubt about Russia's ability to pay".

The republic had already obtained commitments from several foreign governments towards a new loan of five billion dollars to be used for debt service in 1991, Yaroshenko said, according to Interfax.

He did not name the countries concerned.

-30- 1715
#90236d2190 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MATSUE, JAPAN (AUG. 24) - Japan's first parent-to-child liver transplant patient, 21-month-old Yuya Sugimoto, died of a multiple malfunction of his internal organs Friday, doctors said.

Prof. Yoshihiro Kosaka, who led the surgical team that conducted the liver transplant at the state-run Shimane Medical College on November 13, 1989, told a press conference that Yuya died early Friday due to complications resulting from the surgery.

The baby boy, the son of an Iwakuni couple in Yamaguchi Prefecture, in western Japan, was operated on for more than 15 hours to receive a part of his 26-year-old father Akihiro's liver.

Yuya, the first person in Japan to receive a liver transplant from a living donor, had been in hospital since the operation 285 days ago.

Prof. Kosaka said his team had done all it could to avoid the complications that proved fatal, adding that without the surgery, Yuya would have lived for only about three days.

Two more parent-to-child liver transplants have been carried out since -- at the Kyoto and Shinshu university medical colleges in June -- and both recipients, a seven-year-old girl and a nine-year-old boy, are reported in good condition.

-30- 1371

#90236d2260 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 24) - Japan's vehicle output in July rose 10.1 percent from a year earlier to 1,211,253 units, a record for the month, the Japan Automobile Manufacturers' Association said Friday.

Association officials attributed the two-digit rise to an 8.3-percent increase in domestic shipments and an estimated three percent rise in exports in July.

Of the July output, cars accounted for 894,463 units, up 15.3 percent over a year ago.

But truck production fell 2.3 percent to 313,245 units and bus output was down 15.5 percent at 3,545 units.

Motorcycle output totalled 232,894 units, up only 30 units from 232,864 in July 1989.

Meanwhile Japan's two biggest carmakers Friday announced increased production in July, but while exports by Toyota Motor Corp. also rose during the month, exports by Nissan Motor Co. fell for the 11th month in a row.

Toyota said its worlwide ouput climbed 19.4 percent from a year earlier to 382,055 vehicles in July, a new record for the month, with production abroad jumping 39.8 percent to 56,374 units.

Exports rose 10.2 percent to 146,089 vehicles, while domestic sales were 6.7 percent higher at 245,929 units, it said.

Nissan said its production grew 4.5 percent to 263,905 vehicles, with overseas output rising 3.6 percent to 45,844.

Exports fell 11 percent to 77,302 units, while sales in Japan climbed 2.2 percent to 146,107, Nissan said.

-30- 1595

#90236d2280 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 24) - The central Asian republic of Turkmenia has proclaimed itself a sovereign national state with full authority over its entire territory, Tass news agency reported here Friday.

The local parliament voted unanimously in favor of the declaration at Thursday's session, the agency said.

The parliamentary session also mapped out guidelines for cooperation with other Soviet central Asian republics, discussed the draft convention on economic sovereignty and other documents on passage to a market economy, Tass said.

Kirghizia and Tadzhikistan are the only two Soviet republics which have yet to adopt sovereignty declarations.

Meanwhile, Moscow and most Soviet republics, with the exception of the Baltic states which want full independence, are engaged in discussions on a new union treaty.

-30- 1021

#90236d2300 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 24) - Anglo American Industrial Corporation (AMIC), an associate company of Anglo and De Beers, has posted an unexpectedly sharp drop in interim earnings, latest figures show.

Earnings a share for the first six months of 1990 plunged 19.6 percent to 451 cents (174 U.S. cents). The interim dividend a share of 110 cents (42.6 U.S. cents) was maintained at the expense of dividend cover, which fell from 5.1 to 4.1.

The company, whose interests range from explosives and chemicals to food and textiles, blamed the poorer results on less-than-satisfactory half-year performances of some of its key profit contributors.

These include chemical group AECI and steelferro-alloy producer Highveld Steel and Vanadium.

AMIC's combined earnings from operations and share of earnings from

associate companies fell 35.7 percent to 453 million rands (176.5 million dollars).

The company also brought to account extraordinary charges of 19.2 million rands (7.44 million dollars). This, coupled with a more than threefold jump in the interest bill, saw earnings attributable to ordinary shareholders fall 19.6 percent to 243 million rands (94.3 million dollars).

-30- 1385

#90236d2350 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 24) - Iran has signed a deal to buy 40 million dollars worth of cable from China and is considering the purchase of telephones and other telecommunications equipment, the official China Daily said Friday.

The contract was concluded August 18 in Beijing by the telecommunications ministers of the two countries, the paper said, adding that Teheran planned to increase its purchases of Chinese postal and communications equipment to 100 million dollars a year.

The main commerce between the two countries has been sales of Chinese weapons to Iran, but the Middle Eastern country bought a first batch of 14 million dollars worth of cable from China in 1989.

Iran was also considering the purchase of telephones from Shanghai Bell, a Sino-U.S. joint venture, as well as Chinese teletext and facsimile machines, microwave transmission equipment and satellite stations, the paper said.

"If we are competitive enough in terms of price, big deals are possible," an unidentified Chinese official was quoted as saying.

The two sides also signed a memorandum of understanding on technology transfer, personnel training and the opening of new businesses, the newspaper said without elaborating.

-30- 1403

#90236d2370 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMRITSAR, INDIA (AUG. 24) - Heavily-armed paramilitary troops and police Thursday raided the Golden Temple, the Sikhs' holiest shrine, following reports that wanted militants were hiding in the complex, officials said Friday.

Some 100 paramilitary Central Reserve Police Force troopers and Punjab state police stormed a guest house inside the marble complex around 10:00 p.m. local time (1630 GMT) to arrest the militants, police said.

The raiders crashed through several rooms, meant for Sikh pilgrims, of Guru Ram Dass Sarai, but found no "unauthorised person" hiding inside, Amritsar city police chief Sanjiv Gupta said.

Thursday's raid on the 400-year-old shrine is the first since May 1988, when army commandos laid a 10-day seige to the Golden Temple in an operation codenamed "Black Thunder" to flush out militants.

Some 36 hardcore militants had died in the 1988 raid during which separatists and troops fired at least 60,000 rounds in a marathon gunbattle.

Intelligence sources in Amritsar, the hub of a Sikh separatist campaign, said Friday that the police called off its raid Thursday night after the suspected militants turned out to be police spies posted there by the security forces.

"We had specific information of the presence of terrorists in the guest house," Mr. Gupta said, adding that they must have escaped before the raid.

But the Sikh Gurdwaara Managing Committee (SGPC) -- the administrators of the Golden Temple -- claimed the troopers took away at least three people from one of the rooms of the shrine. They did not elaborate.

SGPC Secretary Manjit Singh Calcutta said neither he nor any other temple officials were informed in advance of the police action.

He described the operation as a "deliberate atempt to defame the shrine."

"There is no question of an intrusion by suspected militants in the temple as all the entry points to the shrine are guarded by security forces and even Sikh devotees are frisked before they are allowed to enter," Mr. Calcutta said.

The raid "could have a tempering effect, especially at a time when the temple has re-started attracting large number of devotees after lapse of many years," he said.

The SGPC would lodge a protest with the government over what he termed "an attempt to hurt the feeling of the Sikhs," Mr. Calcutta said.

Indian army soldiers backed by tanks and mortars had also attacked the Golden Temple in June 1984 to flush out militant leaders in an operation codenamed "Blkue Star" in which 650 people, including firebrand Sikh separatist leader Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale, were killed.

At least 1,524 people have died so far this year in a Sikh militant campaign for a homeland in Punjab, where thousands of troops have been

deployed to crush the movement which gained momentum after 1984.

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#90236d2400 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA (AUG. 23) - African National Congress military commander Siphiwe Nyanda, arrested last month on charges of trying to overthrow the South African government, has been refused bail in the magistrate's court here.

Magistrate W. van Zyl said that Mr. Nyanda faced serious charges carrying a jail term of up to 30 years, and was likely to "disappear" if released on bail.

Mr. Nyanda is one of an estimated 40 members of the ANC's military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe, who allegedly infiltrated South Africa in July to boost the black nationalist organization's underground structures.

Police claimed the infiltration was orchestrated by the South African Communist Party (SACP) which, police said, was planning a coup under cover of talks towards constitutional negotiations with the white minority government.

SACP politburo official and ANC National Executive Committee Mac Maharaj is among those being held in connection with the alleged plot.

The ANC has lodged strong protests against the detentions and on Friday 40 ANC leaders were arrested in Cape Town after staging a demonstration calling for the release of their colleagues.

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#90236d2430 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 24) - An outbreak of diphteria has killed nine people in Moscow, while 164 cases of the disease have been officially registered in the city, a spokesman for the capital's epidemiologic station told AFP Friday.

Moskovskaya Pravda newspaper, quoting another employee at the station, Nikolai Filatov, said the epidemic was due to people's reluctance to be given preventive injections because of the poor quality of vaccines and the lack of disposable syringes.

In the first half of the year, Moscow medical institutions received only 11 million syringes instead of the required 47 million, he said.

Diphteria is a grave infectious disease affecting the membranes of the throat and air passages.

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#90236d2490 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 24) - France's foreign trade deficit jumped five-fold in July to a provisional 4.635 billion francs (880 million dollars), according to figures released here Friday by the customs directorate.

The figure, corrected for seasonal variations, was sharply higher than the previous month's revised deficit of 877 million francs (166 million dollars).

For the first seven months of the year, the seasonally-corrected trade deficit was 17.674 billion francs (3.34 billion dollars) compared to a corresponding 24.725 billion franc (4.67 billion dollars) deficit for the same period in 1989.

Mainly responsible for the expanding deficit in July was industrial trade, which recorded a deficit of 8.004 billion francs (1.5 billion dollars), up from a corresponding 3.678 billion francs (690 million dollars) in June.

Also higher was France's trade deficit with its European Economic Community partners, up from 1.923 billion to 3.657 billion francs, and with the United States, up from 2.387 billion to 3.795 billion francs (710 million dollars).

But the deficit with Japan dropped from 2.098 billion to 1.986 billion francs (378 million dollars).

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#90236d2620 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (AUG. 24) - Philippine stock prices corrected a two-day free-fall Friday, inching up slightly at the end of the week's trading.

The Manila Stock Exchange index gained 13.18 points or 1.9 percent to close at 696.76, but it was still below the psychological level of 700 points and nowhere near recovering the 103.55 points it lost on Wednesday and Thursday.

The Makati Stock Exchange index was up by 14.34 points or 2.1 percent to close at 705.99.

Bourse officials attributed the slight rise to a normal end-of-week correction.

The markets had plunged amid the Gulf conflict and fears of a fresh coup attempt against President Corazon Aquino.

Mrs. Aquino issued a statement earlier Friday saying "all this talk of an imminent declaration of martial law and of an impending coup is completely without basis."

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#90236d2630 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 24) - Japan's output of four-wheeled motor vehicles reached a new record for July of 1,211,253 units, up 10.1 percent from a year earlier, the Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association (Jama) said Friday.

Passenger car output rose 15.3 percent to 894,463 units, showing a gain for 17 consecutive months. However, the number of trucks made fell 2.3 percent to 313,245 units and bus output dipped 15.5 percent to 3,545 units.

Meanwhile, Toyota Motor and Nissan Motor, Japan's two largest carmakers, announced that their domestic automobile sales had each notched up new records for the month.

Toyota's domestic sales rose 6.7 percent to 245,929 units while Nissan's edged up 2.2 percent to 146,107 units. Toyota's production increased 19.4 percent to 382,055 units and Nissan's grew 4.7 percent to 218,061 units.

Toyota's exports also expanded 10.2 percent to 146,089 units while Nissan's dipped 11 percent to 77,302 units.

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#90236d2660 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (AUG. 24) - Ireland's rail network ground to a halt Friday as 2,000 train drivers, conductors and signalmen began a 24-hour strike to protest working conditions, a trade union source said here.

The strike, which started after the breakdown of last-minute talks between union and rail management, will affect over 100,000 commuters throughout Ireland. Railwaymen have threatened a series of 24-hour strikes.

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#90236d2740 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 24) - Police fired tear gas here Friday as students campaigning against government plans to slash jobs for members of high castes tried to reach parliament, eye-witnesses said.

Police fired tear gas shells into throngs of students and chased them with sticks a few hundred metres (yards) from parliament as the protestors jumped over barricades in a bid to reach the complex, they said.

Blinding tear gas fumes covered the area where some 3,000 Delhi University students gathered to form what they have described a "human chain" to protest New Delhi's decision to grant a hefty job concession for the disadvantaged.

It was not known immediately whether any protestors were hurt in the police action, but several sudents picked up tear gas shells and hurled them back at the police, the witnesses said.

The police, numbering 200, were unable to manage the crowd of students, and a police control room official said that reinforcements were on the way to parliament, which was in session.

Angry teenage students chanted anti-government slogans and asked the government to scrap its plans to hike job quotas for the lower castes by 27 percent, the witnesses said.

The students Friday called off their roadblocks in New Delhi and instead marched to parliament to lodge their protests, but the police had earlier banned the march saying the complex was a prohibited area.

Students, desperate for jobs, argue that employment should be given on merit or reserved for only poor people who are denied expensive schooling.

Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh on August 7 reserved 27 percent of government and public sector jobs for the underprivileged after a caste committee recommended the benefit for 3,700 socially backward classes.

The latest concessions hiked to 49.5 percent the portion of state jobs that are reserved. New Delhi had earlier set aside 7.5 percent of jobs for tribespeople and 15 percent for scheduled castes or lower caste Hindus.

Before independence in 1947, India was controlled by Hindu Brahmins and Rajput princes. The lower castes were barred from white-collar jobs and from attending temples, but progressive legislation later outlawed some practices.

The anti-reservation campaign, now steered by students, has spread in India's five largest states and New Delhi where the protestors have begun boycotting colleges and schools.

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#90236d2810 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 24) - The Philippine government dismissed rumors of martial law or an imminent coup attempt Friday as suspected rebel soldiers continued a bombing campaign against political targets.

President Corazon Aquino said in a written reply to press inquiries that "our reading is that these elements cannot mount another coup attempt."

But she added that "it is good to take every precaution to assure the continued safety of our democracitc institutions."

A presidential palace statement signed by press undersecretary Horacio Paredes said talk of a coup is without basis.

"The limited capabilities of the forces of destabilization are already stretched out. The most they can do is to resort to terrorism," it said.

"If they try to mount a coup, the military will surely repulse them," it said, adding that the current situation was just a "state of limited anxiety."

The statement was the strongest issued by the palace since bombings began last week, spawning fears of a new effort to overthrow Mrs. Aquino, who has survived six coup attempts, the most recent in December.

It was issued hours after another bomb went off, this time at the Cosmos Bottling Corp., a soft drinks plant owned by the family of Trade and Industry Secretary Jose Concepcion, injuring three people.

Government offices and private firms identified with Mr. Concepcion have borne the brunt of the bombing campaign. A senator said this week that Mr. Concepcion was at the top of a "hit list" compiled by rebel soldiers.

Mr. Concepcion, who has been under pressure to resign and is being investigated for alleged anomalies and conflicts of interest, told journalists Friday that he would not be intimidated by the bombings.

"I am a fighter and ... I am going to continue fighting," said Mr. Concepcion, one of the most durable members of the Aquino cabinet, which has undergone frequent revamps in the last four years.

"I am determined to make sure that this government remains in power and all of those forces who are trying to bring down this governmnent will not be able to succeed because the people are for good government," he added.

Mr. Concepcion said Mrs. Aquino had provided him with additional bodyguards.

The capital has also been awash with rumors of a coup by a third force, possibly led by Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos and senior generals.

Mr. Ramos denied Thursday that he was involved in a plot to seize power

from Mrs. Aquino, and vowed to crush any new military coup attempt.

Mr. Ramos, long reputed to be eyeing the presidency after Mrs. Aquino's term ends in 1992, admitted that rebel officers tried to enlist him in the past.

He recalled the November 1986 incident in which rebel officers asked him to join a plot, called "God Save the Queen," to seize power and turn Mrs. Aquino into a figurehead while she was on a state visit to Japan.

The plot was called off after Mr. Ramos, then the armed forces chief of staff, warned the rebels he would fight them if they tried to carry it out.

Meanwhile, a leading Manila columnist, Mrs. Aquino's former press secretary Teodoro Benigno, wrote in the Philippine Star newspaper that she should stage a "palace coup" in alliance with Mr. Ramos.

"Let's say out loud what many people are saying under their breath: the Philippines needs an authoritarian government," he said.

He suggested that Mrs. Aquino could form a revolutionary "government of national salvation" that would include the military, the church, business, labor and other significant social sectors.

Another alternative would be a junta, with Mr. Ramos, who has outscored Mrs. Aquino in popularity polls, as "the other dominant figure."

"This could very well be the combination that could save the Republic," Mr. Benigno said.

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#90236d2880 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 24) - Pakistan's interim government said Friday it would create 11 special courts to look into the conduct of the government of former premier Benazir Bhutto, who was dismissed from office on August 6.

Official documents published Friday said six of the tribunals would be headed by high court judges named by President Gulam Ishaq Khan and would be authorized to "disqualify" people found guilty of corruption from general elections scheduled for October 24.

Those found guilty could either be barred from taking part in the polls, or have their mandate invalidated if elected, they said.

The duty of the other five courts -- also headed by high court judges, but named by the interim government of Gulam Mustafa Jatoi -- would be to dispense punishment of elected officials found guilty of misconduct, the

documents said.

Ms. Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party (PPP) was quick to criticize the decision, saying legislation allowing such "disqualifications" dated from 1977 and was the "brainchild of General (Muhammad) Zia-ul-Haq."

It is "a draconian law passed by a military dictator ... in violation of all the accepted and civilised norms of justice," the PPP said in a statement released in the northeastern city of Lahore.

Gen. Zia in 1977 toppled Ms. Bhutto's father, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto -- who was later executed -- and ruled Pakistan with an iron hand until his death in a mysterious 1988 plane crash.

The interim government set up after Mr. Ishaq Khan dismissed Ms. Bhutto and her cabinet includes a number of former Zia aides.

Ms. Bhutto has already said neither she nor her husband, businessman Asif Zardari, would appear before the special tribunals.

"There are courts of law in this country," she said, accusing the military of being behind her sacking and calling members of the interim government "thieves ... given power through the back door."

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#90236d2890 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 24) - Malaysian Airlines System (Mas) said Friday it was planning to divert flights from Dubai to other nearby ports following increased tension in the Gulf area.

''We are studying and exploring all possible stopovers and are likely to divert our flights to Istanbul.'' an Mas spokesman told the German Press Agency dpa.

''We will take immediate steps because the cost of air fuel is too high,'' the spokesman said, adding that it was not true that Mas intended to make stop overs at Madras, New Delhi and Karachi.

Mas managing Director Tan Sri Aziz Abdul Rahman said Mas also planned to increase fares on domestic and international flights to counter the rising cost of jet fuel.

He said he would attend an emergency meeting of the International Air Transport Association (Iata) from Aug 29 to 31 in Geneva to help work out a unified strategy on rising fuel costs and world air fares.

''Jet fuel makes up 15 per cent of our operating costs and in addition to

this we now have to pay war premiums at Dubai which makes things too costly,'' Aziz Abdul Rahman said.

In neighbouring Singapore, Singapore International Airlines (Sia) Friday announced that it would suspend flights to the Saudi Arabian city of Dhahran from next week ''because of uncertainties in the northern Gulf region.'' The last Sia flight from Singapore to Dhahran will be on Sunday, said a spokesman.

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#90236d2900 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (AUG. 24) - Comments by Treasurer Paul Keating likening Australia's economic problems to those of South American countries sent the Australian dollar down by more than one U.S. cent Friday, dealers said.

The dollar, seen as a stable currency in a turbulent financial landscape, had soared from about 79 cents a week previously to 84.60 cents just before his speech to a Melbourne football club luncheon.

It fell to 83.50 U.S. cents immediately after the speech and closed at 83.90 U.S. cents.

Mr. Keating, who delivered his eighth budget on Tuesday, told his audience Australia was facing similar problems to those faced by South American countries in the 1940s and 1950s.

Discipline was required if Australia was to keep control of its affairs, he warned. "Now ... we will see really how good and how committed the Australian people are to resolving their problems because these problems face other countries," he said.

South American countries had had the chance to deal with their problems, but in the end lacked discipline, "and now they can't deal with them," he said.

"We have the chance. We can keep control of our affairs, we can get off this dependency on commodities and back on to secondary products and higher value-added products and services.

But he warned it would mean a period "of the sort of discipline that Australia had not had to subject itself to because every time it looked like it had there was always another boom in the terms of trade.

Mr. Keating's comments reminded analysts of his remark in May 1986 warning that Australia was heading for "banana republic" status, sending the dollar to under 60 U.S. cents.

The remark was believed to have been deliberate and intended to force industry and commerce to take a hard look at where Australia was heading, which in fact happened.

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#90236d2930 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) - All eyes will be on defending champions Boris Becker and Steffi Graf when this year's U.S. Open tennis tournament gets under way in Flushing Meadow on Monday.

The two West Germans have moved into top gear after a string of uneven performances and are the players to beat in the 6.3 million dollar grand slam event.

Becker, buoyed by his victory in Indianapolis last week, is looking to repeat his performance here in 1989 when he beat Ivan Lendl to win his first grand slam final outside Wimbledon.

''It's going to be difficult, but I've got enough match practice behind me, and I know that my concentration is back,'' said the 22-year-old second seed.

Becker's main rivals will be top seed Stefan Edberg of Sweden, the reigning Wimbledon champion, and the third-ranked Lendl, who has been in every final of the U.S. Open since 1982.

Lendl, who has slipped back to third in the world ratings, is determined to make amends for his disappointing show in Wimbledon. ''The pressure's not on me this time, its on the others,'' he said.

Becker's opening match pits him against clay specialst Juan Aguilera of Spain, who beat him in the final of the German Open in Hamburg earlier this year.

If Becker overcomes this hurdle, he will need to beat rising star Goran Ivanisevic of Yugoslavia to reach the quarter-finals. Ivanisevic eliminated Becker in the first round of this year's French Open.

Steffi Graf, the world number one, has an easier draw than Becker. Her first real test will be against U.S. teenager Jennifer Capriati for a berth in the quarter-finals.

Graf appears to have shaken off the uncertainty in her play caused by a scandal involving a paternity claim by a pinup model against her father and manager, Peter Graf.

She won her last tournament after playing below form in previous matches, and is optimistic that she will justify her top seeding title at Flushing Meadow and retain her women's singles titles.

Apart from Capriati, Graf's main worries will be Martina Navratilova, last year's beaten finalist, and Monica Seles, who has lost only one of her last 42 matches.

Regardless of the sporting outcome, things will certainly be a lot quieter at the Louis Armstrong Stadium in the New York borough of Queens, where the tournament will be played.

Officials at the nearby La Guardia airport, pressured by Mayor David Dinkins, have promised to use another runway for take-offs so that fewer planes will roar over the stadium.

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#90236d2940 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MAEBASHI, JAPAN (AUG. 24) - New sprint champion Michael Hubner of East Germany made it two at the world cycling championships here Friday by winning an incident-marred professional keirin final.

Australian Stephen Pate, who won the pro sprint bronze on Wednesday, overtook Hubner on the home stretch to finish first but was disqualified for forcing into a line occupied by Frenchman Patrick Da Rocha behind him.

The jury ruled that the move caused Da Rocha to crash and pull down Marcello Alexandre of Argentina with him.

Belgium's Michael Vaarten was placed second one length behind, and defending champion Claudio Gollinei of Italy third.

The jury rejected a protest from the Australian team.

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#90236d2970 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EMANCE, FRANCE (AUG. 24) - A series of burglaries at a refugee centre outside Paris has highlighted the integration problems of Albanians who fled their isolated communist-ruled country six weeks ago dreaming of a new life in the United States.

Among the incidents since last weekend, a group of Albanians among the 80 single males here ran up a 15,000 franc (2,850 dollar) telephone bill in two days after breaking into apartments of centre officials to call home.

The refugees broke the locks on 20 rooms at the centre, searching for

provisions and clothes in preparation for their hoped-for departure to America. A package of tinned food was found stocked in the surrounding woods, according to Bruno Boiteux, the director of the centre which is normally reserved for juvenile delinquents.

Others helped themselves to the horse of a wealthy local resident, who "must have been surprised to see his prize stallion being ridden bareback along the road", as one frequent visitor to the centre put it.

And on Thursday, the distraught proprietor of a hotel in nearby Versailles was on the phone to the centre to complain about an attempted rape by Albanian youths.

Mr. Boiteux attributed the integration problems to the fact that the Albanians, largely from rural areas, find it difficult to make the necessary cultural adjustments to the different rules in a consumer-oriented society.

"They just don't understand such things like to save money, you have to make telephone calls after 10.30 p.m.," he said.

The Albanians, living two-to-a-room in brick bungalows in the centre's wooded glades, receive some 100 francs (19 dollars) per week, plus a 40-franc (eight dollar) telephone credit card and supplies of cigarettes, from the state.

It also took a visit to the centre last Saturday from an Albanian living in the United States to convince the refugees that they could not simply obtain a visa for the United States by turning up at the U.S. Embassy.

"They finally understood that French and Germans also have to fill out forms, and that they have to have a close relative to be able to emigrate to the United States," said centre official Yvon Camus.

Mr. Boiteux explained that the decision to house 80 youths, aged 18 to 30, at the same centre pending a decision on their permanent settlement, was also inviting trouble.

"It would be the same with a group of French youths, what do you expect," he said. But he added that the sudden influx of 543 Albanians arriving by boat in Marseilles on July 15 had forced French authorities to hastily group the refugees in such a way.

A 19-year-old in a purple track-suit, speaking through an interpreter, said that the United States was better than France, "not for the life-style, but because there is a big Albanian community there. We want to go there to help liberate our country".

He and other Albanians at the centre, who scrambled over the railings of the French Embassy in Tirana in the absence of a U.S. mission there, refused to give their names, saying they feared their relatives at home could be persecuted by the hardline authorities.

A U.S. Embassy official said Friday that emigration rules had been eased for the Albanians, who could receive a positive answer not only if they had immediate family but also grandparents or cousins in the United States.

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#90236d3000 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 24) - British hostage Alex Barnett has been allowed to leave Iraq and is now in Amman waiting to return to Britain, British Airways said here Friday.

The Foreign Office confirmed the report and a spokesman said: "Obviously we are pleased that he's going to be able to return home."

A spokesman for British Airways said Alex, 15, was safe and well and was being cared for by BA staff in the Jordanian capital.

"We are making arrangements to fly him home on the first available flight to be reunited with his family," the spokesman said.

The release comes after Radio Baghdad announced earlier Friday that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had decided to let the boy go after learning that he was alone in the Gulf without his parents.

The Foreign Office said Alex's parents in the Scottish town of Hamilton, near Glasgow, had been informed of his reported release.

Alex had been aboard a BA flight trapped in Kuwait during the invasion on August 2.

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#90236d3010 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 24) - Publishers of a new French encyclopedia are to recall the book after its colour illustrations of mushrooms listed a highly toxic species as being ''harmless to eat''.

The mistake in the Petit Larousse en Couleurs was discovered by readers, said the publisher Friday. Around 180,000 copies of the book had been distributed for sale in France and other French-speaking countries.

It was not clear how many copies of the encyclopedia have been sold already.

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#90236d3020 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DIYARBAKIR, TURKEY (AUG. 24P) - Thirty-six Swedish nationals from Kuwait were flown out of this town near the Turkish border with Iraq Friday on their way to Stockholm after a harrowing three days trying to cross the frontier from Iraq.

The 36, along with six Finns, were allowed across the border by the Iraqi authorities, who kept back about 50 Swedes who had travelled with the group from Kuwait, Swedish authorities said here.

Exhausted by a three-day ordeal travelling from Kuwait to Baghdad and the border, they were met at the Turkish border town of Habur by Swedish officials who had been preparing to evacuate them since Wednesday.

After being given a medical examination, a rest and a shower at Silopi, near the border, the Swedes were brought here, 250 kilometres (155 miles) away, and boarded a Swedish jet which had been waiting for them since Wednesday.

The group included many children and women, some of them pregnant. They were mainly dependents of Swedes working in Kuwait, notably for the Swedish firm Eriksson. The six Finns were still waiting at Silopi to be repatriated.

Swedish foreign ministry spokesman Bo Heineback said about 50 Swedes, part of the group which had left Iraqi-occupied Kuwait on Tuesday, were being detained in Iraq because authorities claimed their papers were not in order.

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#90236d3050 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (AUG. 24) - Jordan is to reopen its eastern border with Iraq later Friday to allow foreigners fleeing Iraq to enter the country, a reliable source at the Interior Ministry said.

He said the border which was closed on Wednesday would reopen at 4.00 p.m. (1300 GMT) as Jordan was willing to receive "20,000 people daily."

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#90236d3060 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (AUG. 24) - South Korea will supply U.S. forces in the Gulf with medicine, tents, boots, blankets and military uniforms, Seoul government sources said Friday.

The agreement came in response to a request by Washington. However, no weapons will be sent. The sources gave no details.

Some 480 South Koreans still in Iraq would be evacuated as soon as possible, they said. However, it was unclear whether they woul receive Iraqi permission to leave the country.

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#90236d3090 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 24) - Egypt announced Friday that it had increased the price of its oil by four dollars a barrel on Thursday, in the fifth hike since Iraq invaded Kuwait.

The new prices are as follows:

Gulf crude: 30.80 dollars a barrel

Suez crude: 30.50

Balaim: 29.65

Ras Badran: 28.50

Ras Ghareb: 28.20

Egypt's pricing committee has been in permanent session since the August 2 invasion.

Oil Minister Abdel Hadi Kandil said his government opposed an increase in production because it could lower the level of reserves.

Egypt, which is not a member of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), produces about a million barrels per day and sells it on the free market, setting its prices according to the spot market levels while also following OPEC directives.

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#90236d3130 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 24) - Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad said Friday Malaysia would rush troops to Saudi Arabia only if the holy cities of Mecca and Medina were attacked.

Perturbed over the possibility of the outbreak of war in the Middle East,

Mahathir said if the holy cities were safely guarded, but the Gulf crises

worsened, ''the government will not hesitate to despatch Malaysian servicemen to Saudi Arabia only upon the request and approval of the United Nations.''

Malaysia, a Moslem nation, has condemned Iraqi's invasion of Kuwait and has demanded an unconditional withdrawal of all Iraqi troops from Kuwait. It has also upheld all United Nations resolutions, including trade sanctions against Iraq.

''We will rush troops if Mecca or Medina are attacked and will abide by all United Nations decisions,'' Mahathir told reporters after attending a national function.

Mahathir expressed regret over Saudi Arabia's ''hasty decision'' for having sought military assistance from the United States and not from other Moslem nations in facing the crisis following Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

''Although I am aware of the Saudi predicament, the United Nations could not act fast as it had to get the consensus of member nations first,'' he said.

''Saudi Arabia's predicament was because it lacked a strong military and could not defend the country on its own,'' Mahathir added.

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#90236d3200 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (AUG. 24) - Dismissed prime minister Benazir Bhutto's Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) condemned Friday the arrest of dozens of its activists accused of involvement in two shooting incidents that left 29 people dead.

Twenty-nine people were killed here and more than 60 injured this week when unidentified gunmen attacked camps set up by the Mohajir Qaumi Movement (MQM).

The MQM is associated with parties making up the interim government installed after Ms. Bhutto's dismissal on August 6.

It was preparing to welcome the return of its leader Altaf Hussain to Karachi on Thursday after a kidney operation in London.

Federal Interior Minister Zahid Sarfraz said at a news conference Thursday in Islamabad that the majority of the 32 suspects arrested in connection with the attacks belonged either to the PPP or one of its student branches.

A PPP leader and former chief minister of southern Sindh province Aftab Shaban Mirani, denounced in a statement here the "arrest and victimisation

of innocent PPP workers by falsely implicating them in cases of condemnable killing of innocent citizens of Karachi."

Mr. Mirani said the interim government was playing a "dangerous game" and trying to hold onto power by "maligning" the PPP, while "terrorists patronized by the drug mafia killed innocent citizens" of Karachi.

While the present regime was attempting to discredit the PPP, the real people behind the attacks were not being pursued or arrested, he said.

Mr. Mirani said the houses of dozens of PPP activists had been raided since Wednesday and many of them picked up without charge.

PPP sources said the arrests were part of a "grand design" to prevent PPP officials participating in the elections set for October 24.

Meanwhile, police were investigating the assassination of the provincial election commissioner's 18-year-old son who was abducted by four unidentified men late Wednesday.

Nadim Haider Zaidi's body was found on a pavement Thursday with two bullet wounds in the head, but no arrests had been made in connection with the murder.

Mazahir Hussain Zaidi, the father of the victim, said his son did not belong to any political group. During the last general elections in 1988, the house of Mr. Zaidi had been looted, the official Associated Press of Pakistan said.

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, who dismissed Ms. Bhutto on charges of corruption and abuse of power, condemned Friday the assassination of Mr. Zaidi's son, saying it was an "unpardonable act."

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#90236d3310 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (AUG. 24) - South Korea's Composite Index, plunging through yet another psychological barrier, closed Friday at 594 points, shedding 9.4 points on the day.

The 1.6 per drop cent from Thursday's close of 603.4 points took place amid increasing pessimism that the market would continue to fall and despite heavy intervention by the government's market stabilization fund.

Some 50 investors, blaming the government for the market's continued decline, protested by tearing up share slips and shouting slogans against President Roh Tae-Woo at the busy commercial district of Myongdong.

The day's close was the first time this year that the index dropped below the 600-point level and a 30-month low.

Friday's closing rate was down 36 percent in value from the beginning of the year and a 42 percent loss from the 1,007.7 of April 1989, when the stock market was at its height.

It was also a 4.8 percent loss in value from a week ago when the index was at 624.

Dealers said the South Korean market's own internal problems had been exacerbated by the situation in the Gulf and rising oil prices.

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#90236d3320 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 24) - Three Japanese commercial banks said Friday they would raise their long-term prime lending rate from 7.9 percent to 8.5 percent a year on September 3.

The long-term prime rate is the interest charged on loans of more than one year to the bank's most creditworthy customers.

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#90236d3350 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MAEBASHI, JAPAN (AUG. 24) - The Soviet Union maintained their lead in the medal standings at the world cycling championships when they beat West Germany in the amateur men's team pursuit finals for their fourth gold here on Friday.

The Soviet quartet, including Dmitry Nelybin who helped them to the Olympic team pursuit triumph in 1988, finished the 4,000m chase 6.626 seconds ahead in 4 min 09.286 sec.

West Germany, who won the 1983 team pursuit gold, had upset defending champions East Germany in the semi-finals.

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#90236d3360 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 24) - West Germany's M3 money supply grew 3.8 percent in July year on year according to provisional seasonally-adjusted figures released by the Bundesbank on Friday.

M3 had risen by 4.1 percent in June.

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#90236d3410 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEL AVIV (AUG. 24) - Israel will ''show understanding'' for United States plans to sell sophisticated weapons to Saudi Arabia and Egypt, Defence Minister Moshe Arens was quoted as saying Friday.

''There is greater understanding why the Americans feel more pressure than in the past to make these deals. I don't think there is reason to suppose that the Saudis, if they get tanks, will turn them against Israel,'' Arens told the Ha'aretz newspaper.

The Gulf crisis had also led Israel to re-evaluate its strategic situation,

Arens said. He predicted a growth in Israel's 6.9 billion dollar defense budget and additional requests for U.S.-manufactured arms.

Arens said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had ''received messages'' containing warnings by Israeli leaders not to attack the Jewish state. He also said Iraq was investing large resources in an attempt to achieve nuclear weapons capability.

''I hope that in present circumstances there will be a worldwide effort to ensure that he (Saddam) does not succeed in this,'' Arens told the paper.

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#90236d3440 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SINGAPORE (AUG. 24) - Singapore Friday ordered all banks to halt transferring assets belonging to the Kuwaiti and Iraqi governments and their nationals, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs said.

A ministry statement said the order was effective immediately ''unless prior approval is obtained from the Monetary Authority of Singapore.''

However, the statement said in accordance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 661, which calls upon all states to assist the legitimate government of Kuwait and to take appropriate measures to protect their assets, ''transactions by the legitimate owners of Kuwaiti assets which meet certain conditions would be allowed.''

Further, in accordance with the U.N. Resolution ''the Singapore government has prohibited both the importation into Singapore all goods originating from Iraq and Kuwait and the exportation of all goods from Singapore to Iraq and Kuwait.''

''The shipping community has also been directed to comply with the provisions of the Security Council's resolution,'' the statement added.

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#90236d3520 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (AUG. 24) - China will create new job opportunities and control labor flow from rural to urban areas to try to maintain its official unemployment figure at less than 3.5 percent until the end of the year, the China Daily reported Friday.

The official unemployment rate at the end of 1989 was 2.6 percent, or more than three million people, in urban areas.

The government target is to keep the figure below 3.5 percent, or less than five million, until the end of 1990, the daily said.

Quoting Labor Minister Ruan Chongwu, the official English-language newspaper said new arrivals numbering 11 million people -- an increase of 500,000 over 1989 -- were expected to flood the job market before the end of the year.

"The supply of labour this year far surpasses the demand," Mr. Ruan was quoted as saying.

The daily said experts blamed the rise in unemployment this year on the nearly two-year-old economic austerity program and the baby boomers born in the 1970's.

Another factor, it quoted experts as saying, is the labor surplus in rural areas, leading to an exodus toward the cities and higher urban unemployment.

Chinese statistics ignore the rural unemployed, which Chinese economists estimate at about 120 million people.

A labor ministry official quoted by the daily warned that the influx of workers in the job market could be long-lasting and difficult to control, and suggested the development of collective and private enterprises and lengthier professional training programs to curb the problem.

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#90236d3540 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (AUG. 24) - State-owned OTC International has won a 250 million dollar (208 million U.S.) contract to help develop Vietnam's international telecommunications network, the Australian Government said Friday.

Communications Minister Kim Beazley said it was the largest overseas telecommunications project ever won by Australia.

Under the 10-year contract, which provides for management and development work, OTC will construct two digital international telephone exchanges which should be operational by 1992.

The minister said OTC would also invest in key domestic telecommunications infrastructure programs within the country.

OTC and the Vietnamese Directorate General of Posts and Telecommunications had agreed to the formation of a new specialist international telecommunications organisation, Vietnam Telecom International, to manage the network.

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#90236d3570 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (AUG. 24) - Warwick Fairfax, 29-year-old proprietor of the troubled John Fairfax Group Pty. Ltd., assumed complete control of his newspaper empire Friday following its latest boardroom convulsions.

As some of Australia's corporate high-fliers reportedly circled the debt-laden company, Mr. Fairfax appointed himself chief executive in succession to Chris Anderson who had resigned hours earlier along with two other directors.

Mr. Fairfax, the great-great-grandson of the man who 159 years ago founded The Sydney Morning Herald, flagship of the group, is its fourth chief executive in three years.

"Senior management and editors who previously reported to Mr. Anderson will now report directly to me," he said in a statement.

The group's other papers include The Australian Financial Review and The Age, Melbourne.

Journalists' Association officials who had talks with Mr. Fairfax on Friday later issued a staff circular expresing reservations about his move to "unprecedented power" in the group.

According to the group's own newspapers, its latest upheaval followed an attempt by Mr. Fairfax to assert his authority by sacking two directors over plans for the financial restructuring of the company.

Under a proposed refinancing proposed by the directors, Mr. Fairfax's 75 per cent ownership, giving him total control, could have shrunk to as low as five per cent.

Instead of waiting to be sacked, chairman Bryan Kelman and director Bob Johnston, former head of the Reserve (central) Bank, resigned and chief

executive Chris Anderson walked out as well, leaving Mr. Fairfax as the solitary board member.

Mr. Kelman said later that "irreconcilable differences" had recently developed within the board and the company.

In a statement later, Mr. Fairfax said he had invited merchant banker Keith Halkerston to become chairman and Bill Beerworth, one of his corporate and legal advisers, to be a director.

It was the third boardroom shake-up since Mr. Fairfax's 2.1 billion dollar (1.75 billion U.S.) takeover in 1987.

The company's former chief executive Peter King departed abruptly on August 9 after a vote by the board to replace him with Mr. Anderson because of disagreement over the proposed debt refinancing.

Friday's Sydney Morning Herald reported that Mr. Fairfax had been receiving "behind the scenes advice" from his major rival, News Corp. Ltd. chief Rupert Murdoch.

Mr. Murdoch was reported to have said he did not think the Fairfax newspapers would be for sale or that he would be allowed to buy them if they were.

He also said he thought there were "plenty" of people circling the troubled group.

Mr. Murdoch's own paper The Australian reported that one could be Kerry Packer, who recently regained control of the Nine Television network.

According to the Sydney Morning Herald, others include the West Australian entrepreneur Robert Holmes a Court and "despite his assurances" to the contrary, Mr. Murdoch.

Another possible buyer of the company's assets if they come on to the market is said to be Rural Press Ltd., owned by Mr. Fairfax's cousin, John B. Fairfax.

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#90236d3610 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (AUG. 24) - Indonesia on Friday urged industrial nations to release their oil stocks and non-OPEC oil-producing countries to raise output in a bid to ease oil prices, which have soared above 30 dollars a barrel this week.

The high oil price level "indicates a red light for the world economy," the

official Antara news agency quoted Mines and Energy Minister Ginanjar Kartasasmita as saying.

Mr. Ginanjar said that talks involving several members of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) due to be held in Vienna on Sunday would discuss requests from some members to raise the group's output to replace supplies from Kuwait and Iraq, which are subject to U.N. trade embargo.

However, OPEC "could not be expected to act alone" in stabilising oil prices, he said.

The minister said industrial countries should start using their huge strategic stocks to ease pressures on the oil markets and help developing countries which did not own oil resources.

Non-OPEC producers should also raise their output to help fill the shortfalls, he added. Indonesia is an OPEC member.

World oil prices have soared to their current level from below 19 dollars when the Gulf crisis began with the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

The United Nations embargo on Iraq and occupied Kuwait has effectively reduced OPEC's oil supply to the world by four million barrels per day.

The OPEC meeting in Vienna would be consultative and would discuss a request from Saudi Arabia and Venezuela to raise the group's output, Mr. Ginanjar said.

Saudi Arabia has said it was ready to raise its output by two million barrels a day, while Venezuela said it could raise its production by 500,000.

If at least 10 of the 13 members were present at Vienna and if the proposal was endorsed by at least seven members, then the cartel would immediately move into an emergency meeting to take a decision, he said.

He said Indonesia planned to raise its own output gradually, with the increase to be supplied primarily to neighbouring developing countries.

Indonesia's output, currently estimated at 1.3 million barrels a day, would be raised to 1.375 million barrels by November and to 1.427 million by December, he said.

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#90236d3650 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 24) - Both Kuwait and Iraq will field teams to the Asian

Games here next month even though Kuwait is under occupation and Baghdad no longer recognizes it as a country, spokesmen for the two countries said on Friday.

"We will attend according to a decision taken before the invasion," Kuwaiti Embassy spokesman Shukri Naser al-Shraim said. "There is no change."

He said a number of Kuwaiti athletes had been training abroad when Iraq invaded their country on August 2, and that a list of those participating could be submitted to the organizers "in a few days."

A spokesman for the Iraqi Embassy, Kais al-Yacoubi, said Iraqi athletes would "definitely" attend the Asian Games and that the country's football team was expected to arrive in Beijing next week.

When asked if Iraq would protest at the participation of Kuwait, which Iraq annexed a week after the invasion, the spokesman said he had "no instructions."

He added that Iraq had submitted its list of participating athletes two days earlier.

During a visit to Beijing on Wednesday, the exiled Kuwaiti foreign minister declared that no Kuwaiti athlete would attend the games as members of the Iraqi team.

"Of course no delegation will attend the games in a joint team," Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmed al-Jaber said.

The Beijing Asian Games Organizing Committee has not announced which of the 38 members of the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) had confirmed their attendance by the deadline Wednesday, a month before the games are to open on September 22.

The official New China News Agency (NCNA) has reported that both Iraq and Kuwait were among the 14 countries and territories that took part in Thursday's draw for places in the gymnastics competition.

Male gymnasts from the two countries will compete against each other and those from five other teams in the afternoon session on September 23, NCNA said.

Both countries also drew for places on Friday for basketball events and were placed in separate groups.

Other Middle Eastern countries in the draws were Saudi Arabia, Syria, Jordan, Iran and the United Arab Emirates.

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#90236d3680 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG 24) - The Soviet Union has evacuated all of the personnel from the Soviet Embassy in Kuwait, Foreign Ministry spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh said Friday.

Soviet diplomats had left Kuwait because "the situation made it impossible for them to carry out their duties," he said, recalling that the Soviet move did not mean that Moscow had recognized the Iraqi annexation of Kuwait.

Iraq has ordered all embassies in Kuwait City to close on Friday and for diplomats to move to Baghdad.

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#90236d3700 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 24) - OPEC President Sadek Boussena will hold informal consultations with oil ministers of several member countries in Vienna on Sunday, a source close to OPEC said Friday.

But officials at the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries' headquarters in Vienna said they were not aware that majority agreement had been reached, as demanded by the OPEC statutes, for the holding of an extraordinary conference of the 13-member organisation.

Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez said Thursday that seven OPEC members had agreed to the convening of an extraordinary conference, but would not name the country which had given the crucial seventh vote.

An OPEC official said in Vienna Friday, however, that "we are not aware of any majority."

Mr. Boussena, who is Algeria's minister of mines, would however be holding informal consultations with oil ministers of several OPEC members in Vienna on Sunday. The official said he did not know how many ministers would attend.

Saudi Arabia and Venezuela want an urgent meeting of the organisation to discuss raising production to compensate for the four million barrels of oil a day being lost to the market due to an international embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

The OPEC secretariat has said this proposal has not received the support of seven members, the majority required under its statutes for such a move.

Informed sources have said that apart from Riyadh and Caracas, only Qatar,

the United Arab Emirates and Kuwait have given their support.

Indonesia and Iran have oficially confirmed that they will be taking part in the informal talks in Vienna this weekend.

Indonesian Energy Minister Ginanjar Kartasasmita has said that neither Iraq nor Kuwait will be participating.

A spokesman for the Venezuelan Oil Ministry indicated Thursday that there was disagreement within the organisation on who should attend the weekend talks and how they should be organised, and that there were two possibilities.

Either Mr. Boussena would organise informal consultations involving six OPEC members -- Saudi Arabia, Venezuela, Indonesia, Iran, Algeria and Nigeria -- or an effort would be made to have all 13 members involved.

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#90236d3780 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUENEBURG, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 24) - West German Siegfried K's jaw dropped when he looked at himself in a mirror following a routine operation to find that his entire set of 25 teeth had been pulled out by mistake.

The 41-year-old refuse lorry driver was admitted to hospital to have a troublesome wisdom tooth extracted but a surgeon who stepped in for a colleague at short notice took literally a remark in the man's medical notes.

The doctor interpreted the words ''Teeth - ex'' to mean that the already-anaethetised Siegfried was to be deprived of all his molars and reached for the pliers.

The error cost the 46-year-old surgeon a fine of 20,000 marks (13,000 dollars) at a court in this north German town after he admitted pulling the teeth. He was also ordered to pay 5,000 marks towards court costs.

The popular Bild Zeitung, which did not publish Siegfried's full name Friday, called the incident a ''severe case of dentalmania''.

The surgeon, who had already carried out 15 operations on the day in question two years ago, could not explain how the error came about. He called it an ''unfortunate chain of events.''

''I went mad when looked in the mirror. My cheeks had fallen and I looked ten years older,'' Siegfried told Bild. Two years and a new set of false teeth later colleagues still joke about the incident, he grumbled.

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#90236d3790 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LOS ANGELES (AUG. 24) - Pentagon officials are urging a "decisive" attack against Iraq using air, naval and ground forces if President George Bush orders military action, the Los Angeles Times reported Friday.

The Times said the Joint Chiefs of Staff was advocating that any military action against the huge Iraqi army be sweeping, simultaneous and deadly.

"We will attempt to be decisive," said Air Force Chief of Staff General Michael Dugan.

Gen. Dugan and other officials said the United States would not attack without provocation.

The report said the Pentagon was compiling an exhaustive list of Iraqi targets.

They included Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's presidential palace; military command centers; Iraq's chemical and nuclear weapons complexes; ballistic missile sites, military airfields; oil refineries and pipelines; water purification plants; ports, rail lines and highways, analysts said.

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#90236d3830 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEL AVIV (AUG. 24) - Scores of homeless people staged a protest outside the Israeli defence ministry Friday, demanding to be given gas masks amid growing public concern about the threat of an Iraqi chemical arms attack.

Israel is witholding the distribution of gas masks to the nation's 4.5 million citizens out of fear that it may spread panic and fuel Iraqi suspicions that Israel was planning a pre-emptive strike.

The government's defence committee decided Wednesday to appoint a special ministerial subcommittee to examine the issue, but Israel radio reported Friday that the composition of the panel and a timetable for discussions had not yet been decided.

Demonstrators said they wanted the masks immediately because they had no shelter in the event of a possible attack.

An army spokesman issued an official clarification on Thursday's radio broadcast which caused a national panic when a top civil defence officer urged the population to hoard food, prepare a home-made antidote to poison gas and seal a room in which to take shelter during a possible chemical strike.

''The remarks were not a directive to the public in Israel to hoard food or take any special measures because of a change in the situation. These were general recommendations of preparations by the public for an emergency which are in effect throughout the year,'' said the statement which did little to calm the nervous population.

Israeli papers said the broadcast caused a jump in supermarket sales of some 50 per cent as buyers stocked up on canned and frozen foods, rice, flour and oil.

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#90236d3840 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAKAR (AUG. 24) - Senegal will not close its embassy in Kuwait as demanded by the Iraqi government, Senegalese Foreign Minister Seydina Oumar Sy said here Friday.

But, in an interview with the newspaper Le Soleil here, he said Senegal would try to evacuate families of its diplomats in Kuwait for "humanitarian considerations".

Mr. Sy added that Senegal was working with friendly countries to plan the evacuation of 150 Senegalese nationals in Kuwait and Iraq.

Referring to the use by Iraq of foreign nationals as hostages against attack, he said: "This blackmail using human lives is intolerable."

The Senegalese foreign minister said he supported the inter-Arab effort to solve the Gulf crisis proposed by Moroccan King Hassan. But he urged Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait and submit to international law.

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#90236d3850 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (AUG. 24) - Iraq has released a new batch of Iranian prisoners of war who arrived at the Khosrawi border crossing point Friday, the Iranian news agency Irna reported.

The release of the 1,500 Iranians brought to 21,000 the number of Pows freed by both countries since the Pow swap began last Friday.

The exchange of Pows and Iraq's troop withdrawal from Iranian territory were in line with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's peace offer to Iran last week.

Iran and Iraq, which fought for eight years until a U.N. motion halted the Gulf War in August 1988, have agreed to raise the daily number of the Pows

to be swapped to 12,000 as of August 23.

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#90236d3880 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (AUG. 24) - A total of 523 Chinese who had been working in Kuwait arrived here on a chartered plane and two regular Civil Aviation Administration of China (Caac) flights Friday.

The returnees, primarily construction workers, flew to Beijing from Amman, capital of Jordan, and Sharjah in the United Arab Emirates, the Chinese news agency Xinhua reported.

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#90236d3970 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HONG KONG (AUG. 24) - Hong Kong's 1990 economic growth will be lower than forecast while inflation will be higher, the government said Friday.

A weak economic showing in the first half of 1990 coupled with the current oil price hike caused by the Gulf crisis has prompted the government to trim its gross domestic product growth rate forecast for the year to 2.5 percent from an earlier three percent.

The British colony's inflation would in turn rise to 9.5 percent against an earlier expected 8.5 percent, the government said in its half-yearly economic report.

The forecasts came amid a tight labour market here, with unemployment running at 1.6 percent of a total workforce of 2.8 million.

Global oil price surges now posed "the single most important question" affecting inflation and "it will take some time for the full impact to filter through," the report warned.

The government also said on Friday that July's consumer prices were 9.4 per cent higher than the same month last year, based on its Consumer Price Index "A" covering 50 percent of urban households.

The local private-sector Hang Seng Consumer Price Index put the July rate of inflation at 11.2 percent. This index applies to the 10 percent of urban households made up of higher-income families.

Hong Kong's export-led economy suffered a trade deficit of about one billion U.S. dollars between January and June, with demand for Hong Kong-made goods staying sluggish throughout.

The trend would continue into the next half while import prices were

expected to soar, the government said in its six-month review.

It added that higher oil prices would also bring about an economic slowdown in Hong Kong's major export markets including the United States, which buys 30 percent of the colony's domestic exports.

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#90236d4010 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 24) - Jordan's King Hussein was expected to meet Austrian President Kurt Waldheim on Friday, after returning from a visit to Yemen and Sudan where he held talks on the Gulf crisis.

A jordanian official said King Hussein ''sought to convince Arab leaders that there is a need to achieve a disengagement of forces in the Gulf as a first priority.''

He said the monarch's talks in Sanaa and Khartoum focused on finding ''a compromise formula that would allow for negotiations to start for a solution to all aspects of the Gulf crisis, including Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait and the withdrawal of foreign troops from Saudi Arabia.''

The official said the king was also expected to visit Iraq, Libya and Algeria for further consultations towards a peaceful settlement in the Gulf. He did not give the king's exact itinerary.

Waldheim, who was due to arrive at 6 p.m. (1500 Gmt), planned to meet King Hussein before travelling on to Iraq to see President Saddam Hussein in a bid to obtain the release of foreigners being held against their will in Iraq.

In a radio interview just prior to his departure, Waldheim said he hoped his personal aquaintance with the Middle East leaders during his tenure as United Nations general secretary would be of help.

Jordanian officials said Austrian Foreign Minister Alois Mock, who arrived here Thursday, would join Waldheim in the talks in Amman.

In a related development , Jordan's foreign minister, Marwan Qasem, left Amman for Beijing Friday in a bid to persuade China not to accept a draft security council resolution allowing the use of force to enforce a blockade against Iraq, the foreign ministry said.

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#90236d4160 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATLANTA, GEORGIA (AUG 24) - A Colombian reputed to have been a top money manager for the Medellin cocaine cartel has pleaded guilty to laundering

more than 1.2 billion dollars in drug money.

Eduardo Martinez Romero pleaded guilty Thursday, admitting to helping the cartel launder cocaine profits through a nationwide network of jewelry stores known as "La Mina" or "The Mine".

Mr. Martinez Romero, who was the target of a sting by federal agents, was arrested in Colombia and extradited September 7 to Atlanta to stand trial.

He was the first Colombian extradited to the United States to face drug charges, an action that fueled a campaign of bombings and assassinations against the Colombian government by drug traffickers.

Indicted along with Mr. Martinez Romero, were Pablo Escobar, the leader of the Medellin cartel; Gustavo Gaviria, who was shot to death by Colombian police August 11; and Geraldo Moncada.

Mr. Martinez Romero faces a maximum sentence of 30 years in prison and a possible fine of 4 million dollars.

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#90236d4170 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KINSHASA (AUG 24) - Most categories of staff at hospitals in the Zairean capital have gone on strike indefinitely for better pay and conditions, the press reported Friday.

They included chemists, dentists, nurses, laboratory technicians and administrative personnel. Their walkout since Thursday had already paralysed the hospitals, which were handling only emergency cases, the reports said.

It is the second major strike in the health sector in three months.

Doctors went on strike for a month in mid-May, also for more pay but in particular for improved work facilities in a bid to remedy years of serious deficiencies. They said Zairean hospitals had become "real death-houses."

Press inquiries reported that many patients died during the doctors' strike. They got no satisfaction on their demands, and said they would no longer hold discussions with the current transitional government of premier Lunda Bululu.

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#90236d4230 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (AUG. 24) - A worker was killed and two children were wounded in a bomb explosion that destroyed a power station here, witnesses said Friday.

The bomb exploded at the station in Kabul's Kote Sanghi district Thursday, disrupting the power supply to 500 houses and shops in the area, they said.

Officials blamed the blast on mujahedeen rebels fighting to topple the Kabul government.

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#90236d4240 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 24) - Jordanian Foreign Minister Marwan al-Kassem told Chinese Premier Li Peng on Friday that Jordan and China shared concern over the Gulf situation.

Speaking during a meeting with Mr. Li attended by the press, he said, "Our two countries are concerned by the danger in the region.

"We believe that in several days or weeks we are going to be confronted with an event of global significance," he said referring to the risk of an outbreak of hostilities in the Gulf.

Mr. Kassem, who arrived in Beijing Friday for a short visit, handed Mr. Li a letter from Jordan's King Hussein who is working towards a negotiated Arab settlement to the crisis.

The foreign minister described talks held earlier with his Chinese counterpart Qian Qichen as "very important and constructive."

His visit followed that two days earlier of the foreign minister of the Kuwaiti government-in-exile, Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmed al-Jaber.

Sheikh Sabah reportedly received assurances from the Chinese that they would not veto a United Nations Security Council resolution authorising the use of force by Western ships in the Gulf to maintain the embargo on Iraq.

China has condemned the invasion of Kuwait and suspended arms sales to Iraq, but opposes the deployment of Western forces in the Gulf, arguing the crisis should be resolved peacefully by the Arab countries.

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#90236d4400 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS, Aug 24 (AFP) - The European Economic Community (EEC) on Friday was launching an airlift to repatriate thousands of Egyptians stranded in Jordan, the European Commission said Friday.

Six buses left Amman early Friday, heading for the Iraqi border, where

there are tens of thousands of expatriate workers, many of them penniless, a Commission official said.

The buses will take 600 refugees to Amman airport for the first flight home, which should take off late Friday, he said.

Eleven other mercy flights are expected this weekend, using two Belgian C-130 military aircraft and two aircraft chartered by the EEC, he said.

Meanwhile, officials from the 12 EEC nations met here Friday to coordinate national contributions to the airlift.

France announced financial help of 200,000 European Currency Units (ECUs) (260,000 dollars) and the Netherlands one million guilders (570,000 dollars),

adding to the million ECUs (1.3 million dollars) already earmarked for the operation by the Community.

The EEC Commission also wants to provide food aid for the refugees, but has yet to decide how much assistance to give, and what kind.

The Belgian aircraft will leave Brussels with 30 tonnes of food, Belgian officials said.

According to Commission sources, 62,000 refugees are stranded on the border.

The situation there is chaotic, they reported. Fifteen buses have been destroyed in the panic, which will hamper the effort to bring the refugees to Amman airport, they said.

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#90236d4430 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (AUG. 24) - West Germany will continue East Germany's policy of offering economic assistance to Vietnam and Laos after German unity, West German Cooperation Minister Juergen Warnke said Friday.

Vietnam and Laos were privileged beneficiaries of economic aid from the former communist East German government, Mr. Warnke said.

As part of the first economic cooperation programme, to go into effect this year, West Germany will offer the two countries technical assistance in the areas of forest preservation and professional training, Mr. Warnke said.

Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach made his first official visit to West Germany in May to request economic aid from Germany after reunification, which is set for October 3.

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#90236d4490 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 24) - Shares in British company Davies and Newman plunged 54 percent in London on Friday morning, on fears for the future of its airline subsidiary Dan Air.

Davies and Newman shares, which closed Thursday at 325 pence, plunged by 175 pence to 150 during morning trading, cutting the group's stock market capitalization by more than half.

The plunge followed an announcement by Dan Air on Thursday that it was closing its central London office and transferring it to Gatwick airport to save money, and press reports that the airline, which operates mainly in the charter market, had held a "crisis meeting" with the Civil Aviation Authority.

The company denied the reports, saying that Thursday's meeting had been a routine session, while a spokesman expressed surprise over the plunge in share prices and said it was the result of speculation.

Dan Air, Britain's second largest charter airline with 51 planes, has recently been hit by rising fuel prices and the creation this week of a new charter airline by Britain's third largest tour operator, Airtours.

Airtours had hitherto been using five of Dan Air's planes to regularly carry its customers.

Davies and Newman had said in May that they were holding discussions with several interested parties on the possibility of another company taking a controlling stake in Dan Air or entering into a cooperation deal with the airline.

These discussions have so far not had any result.

Davies and Newman made a loss of 3.3 million pounds (6.2 million dollars) in 1989.

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#90236d4510 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (AUG. 24) - With the deadline set by Iraq for the closure of foreign embassies in occupied Kuwait about to expire, Iraqi soldiers on Friday moved near Western diplomatic missions, encircling several of them, according to reports reaching Bonn, London, Paris and other capitals.

Baghdad, arguing that Kuwait has been part of Iraq since its August 2 invasion, has demanded that all missions be closed by Friday night.

In London, the Foreign Office said Iraqi troops had encircled the British embassy in Kuwait City. Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said the soldiers had orders to let no one in our out.

He called the action ''illegal'' but gave no indication about possible British counter-action. The embassy staff has been cut to four.

The French foreign ministry said Iraqi troops had taken up positions near the French embassy.

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#90236d4530 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 24) - Nigeria will attend informal Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) talks in Vienna on Sunday, an official of the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) said here Friday.

Nigeria's delegation would be led by Minister of Petroleum Resources Jibril Aminu, he said.

Nigeria would use the opportunity of the meeting to state its position on the international oil market, including the Gulf crisis and the issue of the OPEC production quota.

The Nigerian delegation was also likely to raise the issue of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, the official said.

The West African nation still maintains its opposition to any unilateral decision by any OPEC member to breach any of the agreements reached at the organisation's last conference in Geneva in July, he added.

A government source said Tuesday that Nigeria would consider as "highly immoral" any OPEC meeting convened solely for the purpose of allowing some member countries to increase output to make up for the loss to the market due to an international embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil.

The restoration of the sovereignty of Kuwait should be a major issue to be discussed by any OPEC meeting, said the source.

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#90236d4620 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 24) - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd issued an urgent appeal Friday for the U.N. Security Council to approve fresh measures for enforcing the embargo against Iraq as Iraqi troops surrounded several embassies in Kuwait.

Mr. Hurd said it was "urgent and important that the Security Council should reach a conclusion" on debate over a resolution permitting the use of military force to ensure the sanctions against Iraq were upheld.

"We want to get acceptance by everybody on the absolute need and legality of enforcing the blockade" against Iraq, Mr. Hurd said, adding that "there's been some delay" on approval of the resolution caused by the Soviet Union.

"Iraq is vulnerable to sanctions -- she actually can be very seriously hurt by sanctions provided they are applied," Mr. Hurd said. He said he was in "direct touch" with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze on the issue.

Speaking at a news conference, Mr. Hurd stated that Iraqi guards had been posted outside the British embassy in Kuwait "who appear to have instructions not to let people in and out."

A foreign office spokesman said later that the four staff remaining at the British embassy were inside but said he had no knowledge on whether they had made any attempt to leave the embassy grounds.

Mr. Hurd declined to specify what measures were being considered should Iraqi forces try to enter the embassy and evict the diplomats inside but said "no one expects unarmed diplomats to resist" such a move.

He said the siege around the embassies in Kuwait was not a separate issue but was "part of the general picture" and said Britain was "anxious that the response should be a collective one."

Mr. Hurd said the Iraqi oil tanker Ain Zalah had stopped discharging its oil in the Yemeni port of Aden. Another Iraqi tanker, the Baba Gurgur, was in port at Aden and three more Iraqi tankers were on their way to Aden "apparently full with Iraqi oil."

Mr. Hurd cited the tankers as an example of the kind of breach of sanctions against Iraq that "has to be stopped" and coupled the illustration with his appeal for swift action from the U.N. Security Council.

The foreign secretary also emphasized that Britain and other countries would hold individual Iraqi soldiers and ordinary citizens personally responsible for any harm that came to British and other foreign hostages in Kuwait and Iraq.

"I'm anxious that it should be rammed home in proper legal language," Mr. Hurd said, adding that there were precedents for holding individuals responsible for harm to foreigners in their country.

He said Britain "rejects absolutely the right of the Iraqis to carry out the order" to transfer embassies to Baghdad.

In a statement delivered to the Iraqi ambassador here, the government said that "the United Kingdom, along with most other states represented in Kuwait,

has rejected the Iraqi demand for the closure of diplomatic missions in Kuwait by midnight tonight" (2000 GMT).

Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens said Iraq had moved the deadline up to 11:00 p.m. (1900 GMT).

Mr. Hurd also said he was staying in close touch with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker over developments in Kuwait and a British spokesman said the embassy staff in Kuwait "will be prepared for any eventuality."

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#90236d4710 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (AUG. 24) - Australian stocks prices dived during the week as fears grew that the Gulf crisis would escalate into a war and the Federal Government's budget crushed hopes of interest rate falls, brokers said Friday.

The main market indicator, the all ordinaries index, plunged 75.1 points or 4.9 percent to 1,468.1.

The all industrials index fell 124.2 points to 2,177.1, the all resources lost 38.5 points to 914.3 and the gold marker dipped 72 points to 1,552.4.

Brokers said the falls were in line with declines on offshore markets, triggered by renewed fears that war in the Middle East could spark a global recession, and that Canberra's budget held little hope for falling interest rates.

Next week the market would be hostage to the Gulf crisis, they said.

Market leader and oil producer BHP defied the fall and rose five cents to 11 Australian dollars while News Corp., which reported a 43 percent slump in annual profit to 282.3 million dollars (231 million U.S.), lost 1.15 dollars to 10.35 dollars.

BTR Nylex shed 26 cents to 2.54 dollars, Brambles slid 1.20 dollars to 12.80 dollars and Westpac dipped 14 cents to 4.63 dollars.

Among the miners, CRA dived 1.40 dollars to 10.30 dollars and Western

Mining dropped 40 cents to 5.14 dollars.

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#90236d4810 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 24) - China's summer grain harvest is expected to reach 99.35 million tons this year, six percent above last year's record production, the New China News Agency (NCNA) reported Friday.

The record crop was achieved thanks to "a year of bumper harvests," NCNA said, as well as an extra one billion yuan (210 million dollars) the government invested this year into the key agricultural sector.

The overall yearly target for 1990 is 412.5 million tons, or five million more than the record 407.5 million tons harvested in 1989.

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#90236d4830 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (AUG. 24) - With the deadline set by Iraq for the closure of foreign embassies in occupied Kuwait about to expire, Iraqi soldiers on Friday moved near Western diplomatic missions, encircling several of them, according to reports reaching Bonn, London, Paris and other capitals.

Baghdad, arguing that Kuwait has been part of Iraq since its August 2 invasion, has demanded that all missions be closed by Friday night.

In London, the Foreign Office said Iraqi troops had encircled the British embassy in Kuwait City. Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said the soldiers had orders to let no one in our out.

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The Iraqi authorities have barred a group of dependents of American diplomats from Kuwait, mostly women and children, from leaving Baghdad, a correspondent for the U.S. television network Cnn reported from Baghdad Friday.

He said the group had been told it could only leave the Iraqi capital together with the entire U.S. staff of the U.S. embassy in Kuwait, which the Iraqi government has ordered to close Friday, together with all other foreign missions.

The U.S. dependents had been allowed to make the journey from Kuwait to Baghdad, Cnn said. Their ''special status'' was being respected for the time being and its was not feared that they would be removed to strategic locations,
like other foreigners.

About ''six to eight diplomats'' were still in the U.S. embassy in Kuwait, Cnn said.

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#90236d4910 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (AUG. 24) - Thousands of people were stranded in the streets or evacuated to higher ground Friday as monsoon rains worsened by a tropical depression unleashed flash floods in the Philippine capital.

Radio and television reports said that seven people had died, most of them drowned in floodwaters, but the Red Cross said that so far they had only confirmed one fatality, a young boy who fell into a manhole and drowned.

The Red Cross said over 3,100 families or 18,600 people were evacuated in Manila and other parts of Luzon island because of the floods.

Traffic was snarled thoughout the day in Manila as waters reached waist height in some major thoroughfares and higher in low-lying areas of the capital, parts of which are slightly below sea level.

The military and local government agencies dispatched trucks, amphibious vehicles and boats to ferry commuters who were left stranded by the floods.

Motorists abandoned their vehicles in the streets after the cars stalled. Local residents took to using improvised rafts to get around.

Even areas of the city that normally do not experience flooding during heavy rains suffered ankle-deep floods as rain fell on the city for the second day.

The weather bureau said the tropical depression is expected to intensify into a tropical storm by Saturday, when it is forecast to be 800 kilometers (500 miles) northeast of the capital.

Classes were suspended and state-run Philippine Airlines delayed all domestic flights excluding two destinations serviced by larger aircraft.

Two Manila-bound international flights -- a Korean Air jet from Seoul and a China Air Lines plane from Taipei -- were diverted to Mactan airport in the central city of Cebu.

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#90236d4930 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NIAMEY (AUG. 24) - A 24-hour general strike called Friday in Niger by the central trade union body was widely followed.

Government offices stayed closed, as did businesses. Taxis and the city bus service were not running, and the international airport was closed, a

reporter with the state news agency said.

National radio put out a minimum service.

The capital's big market-place was open, however, and in general the informal sector which plays a big role appeared to be ignoring the strike call.

Labour leader Lawali Mouatri said the strike was being widely followed elsewhere.

The strike is a bid to get the government to cancel budget cuts ordered in May, to press for a national debate and conference on Niger's economic and social problems, and to obtain a commitment to political pluralism.

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#90236d4970 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) - In the event of a war with Iraq, U.S. military leaders plan a quick, decisive strike with simultaneous action by army, air force and marines units now assembled in the Gulf, according to a report in the Los Angeles Times Friday.

The paper said the Joint Chiefs of Staff supported an all-out effort to destroy not only Iraq's huge military machine but also President Saddam Hussein's command structure.

General Michael Dugan, air force chief of staff, told the newspaper in an interview: ''We are not looking at a gradual escalation. We will attempt to be decisive.''

He said U.S. forces were ''postured for a joint attack''. Dugan gave no details about targets in the Gulf except to say that the enemy centre should be hit.

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#90236d5000 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) - Two Iraqi MiG-23 fighter jets opened fire on two U.S. warplanes inside Saudi airspace this week along the Saudi-Iraqi border, a newspaper reported Friday, quoting U.S. administration intelligence officials.

The U.S. F-15 Eagles, which had been testing Iraqi air defenses along the tense border, were not hit by the cannon and rocket fire, The Washington Times quoted the intelligence sources as saying.

The American aircraft did not return fire at the Soviet-made MiGs, and

withdrew from the area, they added.

The newspaper quoted a U.S. official as saying "we were testing their (Iraqi air defenses. We wanted to see what they would do."

There was no word on when or precisely where the confrontation took place.

The shots were believed to be the first fired in Saudi Arabia since the massive U.S. troop buildup there began August 8 in response to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Iraq Wednesday said two unidentified aircraft had penetrated Iraqi airspace.

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#90236d5010 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 24) - Heavy monsoon rains and floods have killed 75 people and caused widespread damage in the western Indian state of Gujarat, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported Friday.

Ten of the victims were killed since early Thursday in the coastal regions of Gujarat state, the news agency said.

More than 10,000 people, mostly poor villagers, had been shifted to safer places by the authorities after rain-fed rivers inundated several areas in the state.

News reports said the floods had seriously damaged crops and buildings.

Monsoon floods have also claimed dozens of lives in southern India.

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#90236d5110 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 24) - The United States predicted that Singapore's economic growth for 1990 would be between 8.5 and nine percent.

According to a report prepared by the U.S. Embassy here earlier this month, and released to the press Friday, the overall performance for Singapore was expected to be strong next year, although there were signs of an erosion.

The report said inflation was going up because of rising import and labour costs and the tight labour market. It also predicted that a sluggish investment will limit future productivity increases.

Despite these constraints, the economy is expected to grow by seven to 7.5 percent for next year, the report said.

It said that for Singapore to continue to grow economically it must solve its labour shortage problem and restructure its educational system to produce a highly educated and technically competent workforce.

The report said that the republic was a good prospect for U.S. firms as it had an excellent location for a regional marketing, warehousing and distribution base, with good transportation and communication facilities.

Computers, telecommunications equipment and services, and electronic components were singled out as items with good potential for growth.

The United States is the 12th-largest export market for Singapore.

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#90236d5120 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 24) - Oil prices on the Singapore International Monetary Exchange (SIMEX) moved lower Friday to finish off their all-time high levels.

Dealers said High Sulphur Fuel Oil (HSFO) for September finished Friday at 166.50 U.S. dollars a ton, down from Thursday's all-time high of 176.50 dollars.

At one stage Friday, HSFO for September shot to 179.00 U.S. dollars a ton, before the panic buying subsided. A total of 775 lots were traded for September.

HSFO for October ended at 162.70 U.S. dollars a ton, down 70 U.S. cents from Thursday's close.

The price for Dubai crude moved down marginally to 29.75 U.S. dollars a barrel, down from Thursday's 30.50 dollars a barrel.

Dealers said the trading was a little more settled with buyers staying back for a more clearer picture from the Gulf with hopes of some reduction in the tension over the week-end.

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#90236d5170 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 24) - A police officer was among 15 people killed in Sikh separatist-linked violence in India's Punjab state, where Sikh militants are campaigning for an independent homeland, police said Friday.

Police sub-inspector Mohan Lal was killed and five other policemen were wounded when Sikh separatists ambushed their vehicle in the border

district of Amritsar late Thursday, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

No further details were available.

PTI said security forces shot dead seven Sikh militants, while the rebels killed six civilians. A girl was killed during a gunbattle between the police and security forces.

Among the victims were two Sikh separatists who were killed by federal border guards in a gunbattle when they sneaked into Punjab from Pakistan, which is accused by India of backing the militnats.

Four others escaped the fighting, PTI said, adding that security forces seized a light machine gun, three AK-47 rifles and eight grenades from the site near the Indo-Pakistan border.

The latest killings brought to at least 1,539 the number of people killed this year in Punjab in violence linked to the militant campaign for a Sikh homeland called Khalistan (Land of the Pure).

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#90236d5180 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 24) - French couture house Givenchy said Friday it had set up a company in Japan with Japanese company Daimaru for retail distribution of ready to wear clothing.

Givenchy will hold a 60 per cent stake in the new company, Givenchy Boutiques, and Daimaru the remaining 40 per cent.

The new operation will replace items made locally by Daimaru with European-made ready to wear clothes under the Givenchy label in Givenchy shops and sections in Japanese department stores.

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#90236d5190 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 24P) - The rate of arrivals at the U.S. air base of Dhahran on the eastern Saudi coastline eased Friday, after a frantic two-week military build-up.

Four C-5 Galaxy transport planes touched down in the morning with troops and equipment, said an officer with the Military Aircraft Command. Previously, U.S. aircraft were landing at the rate of one every five or ten minutes.

"The bulk of our troops are now in place and have been sent off to various desert bases toward the Kuwaiti border," said Bill, a soldier from

Kentucky who could not be fully identified under military regulations.

The soldier said that now the main task of the transport planes was to ferry logistical materiel for the U.S. Operation Desert Shield, launched to protect the Saudi kingdom after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Under U.S. military censorship, correspondents are not allowed to disclose the numbers of troops and arms, or the exact location of bases.

Sweating profusely, a group of young soldiers was taking shelter from the scorching heat under a tent and clutching their water bottles as weapons of survival.

Buses normally used to ferry pilgrims from around the world to Moslem holy sites were parked nearby. The vehicles now serve to transport the American soldiers to their various bases.

While combat helicopters hovered over the Dhahran base, Falcon and F-15 aircraft took off and landed regularly to patrol Saudi airspace.

Several dozen other U.S. and Saudi warplanes, their cockpits open, were ready for take-off at a moment's notice. The aircraft were armed with bombs under their wings.

Neither artillery nor the F-117 Stealth bombers, undetectable by radar, were in sight. But man-made dunes were visible in the distant sands.

"If you were authorized to go down there, you would see that the base is very well defended," said a U.S. Marine who served as a guide on a tour of the Dhahran facility.

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#90236d5220 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 24) - The Spanish ambassador to Jordan, Ramon Armengod, said Friday that Iraq had warned it would use force against diplomats who defied orders to evacuate their missions in Kuwait by Saturday morning.

He said the threat was delivered in a message signed "Iraqi authorities" and sent to the West German Embassy in Baghdad.

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#90236d5290 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (AUG. 24) - The International Air Transport Association is to propose fare hikes to compensate for an increase in fuel prices at a special meeting in Geneva next week, the organization said Friday.

The price rises will be discussed at a "joint composite passenger and cargo conference," an unusual move as passenger and freight issues are normally discussed separately.

The combination and the swiftness of the decision to hold the Tuesday to Friday meeting reflected air companies' desire to act rapidly, an IATA spokesman said.

"The conference was not convened in direct response to the crisis in the Gulf, although the events of the last few weeks have played their part," he added.

He said it was not certain that the price increases being proposed would cover the rise in fuel prices, after oil prices rose from 20 dollars a barrel to 30 dollars in less than a month following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2 and a subsequent international embargo on oil from both countries.

Fuel accounts for around 15 percent of airline costs, and several airlines have already said they will be seeking fare increases, including Lufthansa of West Germany and British Airways, which wants to raise prices on North Atlantic routes by six percent.

Governments would probably accept moderate increases, the IATA spokesman said. About 40 major airlines are expected to attend next week's IATA meeting in Geneva.

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#90236d5320 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RABAT (AUG. 24) - A Chad-Libya mini-summit broke up here Friday without reaching a settlement of their 17-year territorial dispute which sparked two rounds of fighting in the 1980s.

A Chadian source said there was no agreement on the reputedly mineral-rich Aouzou Strip in northernmost Chad occupied by Libya in 1973, nor on the release of each country's prisoners of war.

Libyan leader Moamer Kadhafi and Chad's President Hissein Habre discussed the issues for more than two hours on Thursday with King Hassan of Morocco.

The Moroccan monarch arranged the last-minute encounter ahead of a mutually agreed deadline at the end of this month to take the matter to the International Court of Justice at The Hague if the two neighbours failed to find their own political settlement.

A decision to do just that "in the immediate future" was taken by Colonel

Kadhafi and Mr. Habre, the draft statement seen by Agence France-Presse said.

But the final text presented for signature by the foreign ministers made no mention of that decision, leading Chad's minister Acheikh Ibn Oumar to protest that Moroccan counterpart Abdellatif Filali, who prepared the final version,
had truncated the original.

That drew the heated retort, journalists nearby overheard, that Morocco had not the slightest interest in changing anything in the communique since it was not involved in the dispute.

The Chadian minister refused to sign. The delegations broke up, and both said no attempt had been made subsequently to patch things up, with Col. Kadhafi flying off to Algeria at midday and Mr. Habre due to leave for home later Friday.

The Moroccan final text spoke in generalities, compared with the draft, and although it referred to "decisions taken by the heads of state," it failed to spell them out. No explanation could be obtained Friday from Moroccan sources about the discrepancies.

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#90236d5530 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 24) - A total of 110 people have been hospitalized after firefighters struggled to put out a fire caused by a blast in a newly-built chemical plant in the city of Ufa in the Urals, the Tass news agency reported Friday.

Most of those hospitalized were firemen injured while fighting the blaze provoked by several blasts that ripped through the acetone-phenol plant late Wednesday, the official Soviet news agency said.

Tass had reported Thursday that 25 people received serious burns and a number were poisoned by phenol, a toxic corrosive poison which can be used for making explosives and synthetic resins.

A first explosion occurred as final preparations were being made to put the phenol plant into production, the agency said.

It was followed by several other blasts in various buildings at the plant in Ufa, and a fire may have reached units producing hydrocarbons, Tass said.

The condition of three of the 110 hospitalized was described by doctors as critical, Tass said.

Sixty percent of Ufa, a city of one million people, are without water after the explosion because "a certain number of chemical products" have leaked into the nearby Ofimka River.

Tass earlier reported that phenol had leaked into the Ofimka and did not rule out the possibility that other, more dangerous, toxic chemicals had spilled into the river.

All the region's medical centres have been put on a state of alert after the explosion and 4,000 patients in the Ufa hospital have been evacuated from the city, Tass said. The agency did not indicate whether the lack of water was the reason for the evacuation.

A village situated 15 kilometres (nine miles) from the plant had been evacuated Thursday after a highly poisonous cloud was seen heading for it, but on Friday Tass provided no further information on the poisonous cloud.

Citing Aldjet Turianov, the health minister for the autonomous Soviet republic of Bashkir, whose capital is Ufa, Tass noted that the explosion was not the first accident of this kind in the region.

In April, toxic waste from the Khimprom herbicide plant, not far from the chemical plant that exploded Wednesday, drained into a local river.

Residents in the area were not alerted, however, and 60 percent of the local population drank water contaminated with phenol for several days.

When consumed, phenol-contaminated water causes lesions to the kidney and liver and can cause cancer, Mr. Turianov said.

In June 1989, 600 people were killed in a train accident near Ufa caused by an explosion provoked by a gasline leak along railway tracks.

A gas pipeline exploded when two trains passed each other close to the leak and a spark hit a pocket of gas.

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#90236d5650 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 24) - The speaker of the Iraqi parliament Friday called on the American people to protest against the U.S. military build-up in the Gulf, warning that Iraq's weaponry could not be compared to that of Vietnam.

Saadi Mehdi Saleh, in a message to Americans carried by the official Iraqi News Agency, also gave assurances that Baghdad had no intention to "threaten the interests of America or the West."

"The Bush Administration seems to have forgotten the tragedy of Vietnam and its repercussions on the American people," he said. "It does not realize that Iraq is not Vietnam, and that Iraqi arms are not those of the Vietnamese."

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#90236d5660 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 24) - A singapore group has bought a 95,310-ton oil tanker, the Pasadena, to stockpile oil supplies, industry officials said Friday.

Officials said the move comes as oil prices soared to even greater heights over fears of a military conflict in the Gulf. One official said the 23-year-old tanker was bought at 7.3 million dollars.

A port of Singapore Authority (Psa) official said the Pasadena was currently anchored within Singapore port limits. It could stockpile about 580,000 barrels of fuel oil.

Industry sources estimate that the cost of hiring a supertanker for storing crude oil could run to more than 25,000 dollars a day.

Singapore is the world's third biggest oil refining centre, but oil is also stored at independent tank farms like those run by Paktank, Van Ommeren and Oiltanking.

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#90236d5710 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMSTERDAM (AUG. 24) - Dutch plane maker Fokker said Friday it tripled its net profit in the first half of this year compared to the same period of 1989 to 41.9 million guilder (25 million dollars).

Turnover was up 18 percent at 1.3 billion guilder (778.4 million dollars).

Group financial director Erik Jan Nederkoorn told journalists Fokker was standing by its forecast in May that it would double net profit for the whole of the year.

Fokker had tripled net profit last year over the 1988 level to 42.4 million guilder (25.3 million dollars).

The company escaped bankruptcy in 1987 when it made a net loss of 107 million guilder thanks to an injection of cash from the state and has since turned itself around thanks to the success of its medium-haul Fokker-100 plane.

Mr. Nederkoorn said that Fokker had nothing to fear from oil price increases due to the Gulf crisis.

"This only underlines the advantages of modern planes" which use less energy, he said.

But if the fall of the dollar continued in the long-term it could have a negative influence of results in coming years, he warned.

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#90236d5770 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 24) - Iraq bears full responsibility for the welfare of the four remaining staff at the British embassy in Kuwait and other foreign diplomats in the emirate, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said here Friday.

"If anything happens, it will be the responsibility of the Iraqis," she said. "It will be the responsibility of a dictator who seized another country by force, guns and tanks."

Referring to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, Mrs. Thatcher added that "every bit of the problem is down to him."

Government sources confirmed separately that the telephone line serving the British embassy in Kuwait had been cut.

But the sources stressed that the line had often been cut and then reconnected in the past and said communications between the ambassador's residence inside the embassy compound and London were still intact.

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#90236d5930 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 24) - The Paris Bourse staged a strong recovery on Friday after a disastrous performance for the August trading month, as the CAC 40 stock price index gained 4.12 percent on the day after opening up 2.01 percent.

Operators said the Friday uptrend was encouraged late in the session by a higher opening on Wall Street. However, the recovery was primarily technical, perhaps encouraged by the start on Friday of a new trading month, they said.

Investors remain cautious, as there is nothing about the on-going Gulf crisis in their eyes to justify renewed optimism. Some of them said that with the problem of the Western embassies in Kuwait and foreigners of many

nationalities being held in Kuwait and Iraq, the weekend looked like a "very risky affair".

High oil prices continue to worry financial circles here, and one analyst said new economic forecasts would have to be developed to reflect them. Leading shares were the main beneficiaries of the Friday uptrend, including Hachette, Europe No. 1, UCB, oil stocks and Avions Dassault.

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#90236d5940 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (AUG. 24) - Kuwaiti resistance fighters have been carrying out guerrilla attacks against Iraqi forces, the exiled Kuwaiti news agency Kuna reported Friday.

Kuna said the Iraqis, most of them in their late teens, were terrified ''even when a stone or an empty bottle'' is thrown at them.

During the past few days, refugees from Kuwait have told of witnessing several Molotov cocktail attacks on Iraqi troops, which they said ''destroyed'' at least five tanks and killed or wounded a number of soldiers.

The agency said Iraqi troops had closed down several mosques where calls for a ''jihad'' (holy war) against the Iraqi forces originated.

Every day, resistance fighters reportedly tack pictures of exiled Emir Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed as-Sabah and Crown Prince Sheikh Saad al-Abdullah as-Sabah to street signs to confuse the Iraqis.

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#90236d6020 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 24) - Domestic consumption of petroleum products in Nigeria increased last year by 606,819 metric tons over the figure for 1988, an official source said here Friday.

More than 9.88 million tons of various grades of petroleum products were consumed last year, reflecting an increase of 6.14 percent over the 9.26 million tons of products consumed in 1988, said the source.

The Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) projected recently that 10.48 million tons of petroleum products, such as liquefied petroleum gas (cooking gas), kerosene, gasoline, aviation fuel, diesel oil, and fuel oil used for powering industrial plants would be consumed this year, the same source said.

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#90236d6090 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 24) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

	CASH		FORWARD	
Copper	1,526.00	(1,506.50)	1,495.50	(1,478.50)
Lead	454.50	(453.00)	461.25	(461.75)
Zinc Sh	1,537.50	(1,637.50)	1,539.00	(1,535.50)
Tin	5,935.00	(5,965.00)	6,055.00	(6,087.50)
Aluminium	1,796.50	(1,795.00)	1,812.50	(1,812.50)
Nickel	10,625.00	(10,675.00)	10,475.00	(10,487.00)

(The last three in dollars per ton)

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#90236d6100 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRAGUE (AUG 24) - Soviet Ambassador Boris Pankin is suspected of working as a KGB agent specialising in propaganda and disinformation, a Czechoslovak newspaper reported Friday.

A spokesman for the foreign ministry here dismissed the allegations as "baseless" in a statement carried by the official news agency CTK.

The independent weekly Respekt said Mr. Pankin, 59, is believed to have headed a Soviet secret police unit in charge of disinformation.

Sources at Respekt, which has a circulation of 100,000, said that before the publication of its latest edition, Mr. Pankin refused to let journalists at the newspaper interview him, saying he was "tired."

During an "informal meeting" with Alexander Udaltsov, press secretary at the Soviet Embassy in Prague, foreign ministry spokesman Lubos Dobrovsky expressed "regret" over the article and said Mr. Pankin "has contributed in an important way to the normalization of relations between Czechoslovakia and the Soviet Union," CTK said.

Observers here note that Mr. Udaltsov is the son of former KGB agent Ivan Udaltsov, who in 1968 took part in preparations for the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia.

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#90236d6340 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ATHENS (AUG. 24) - A fire ravaging Mount Athos for the past 10 days spread Friday despite efforts by a massive firefighting force, including

army troops, to quench the blaze in northeastern Greece.

Forestry officials said some 1,500 soldiers, 30 fire trucks, eight bulldozers, and dozens of police and forest rangers failed to stop the fire spreading on two fronts between the Aghios Dafni region and the Mount Athos peninsula.

It had razed hundreds of hectares (acres) of forest and crops and damaged part of Simeon Petras monastery, but doed not threaten other monasteries or inhabitated areas for the moment.

"Only rain can put it out now," a firefighting official commented after torrential rain lashed almost all the country except for the Mount Athos region Thursday night.

The cause of the blaze, which began in a monatery in Karakalou on August 14, is not known. Some officials believe it was arson, while others blamed human negligence.

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#90236d6590 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 24) - Nigerian Foreign Minister Rilwanu Lukman left here Friday for Saudi Arabia to deliver a message to Saudi King Fahd from Nigerian President Ibrahim Babangida, an official source said.

The details of the message for the Saudi monarch from General Babangida were not disclosed.

The source said that the Nigerian foreign minister, a former president of OPEC, is expected to discuss the situation on the international oil market with the Saudi authorities.

Mr. Lukman will also discuss the crisis in the Gulf sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and bilateral issues with Saudi officials.

Saudi Arabia, Nigeria, Iraq and Kuwait are members of the 13-nation Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

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#90236d6820 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 24) - Iraqi authorities say they will cut electricity and water supplies to foreign missions in Kuwait as from 1900 Gmt friday, the West German foreign ministry said here.

The ministry, in answer to journalists questions, said Iraq had first informed the Norwegian ambassador, as dozen of the diplomatic corps, of the

move.

The ambassador was told that as from 1900 Gmt no more water or electricity supplies would be provided to the missions.

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#90236d7170 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (AUG. 24) - Typhoon Yancy killed 111 people and left 4.14 million others homeless in China's eastern seaboard province of Fujian, the New China News Agency (NCNA) reported Friday.

The official agency, in a report monitored here, estimated economic losses from the powerful typhoon to be 590 million yuan (125 million dollars).

It said 171,300 hectares (423,100 acres) of crops were damaged and 31,008 houses collapsed under the typhoon's gale force winds and heavy rains. Some 450 bridges were destroyed and 5,352 head of livestock killed, the agency added.

Eighty-four people were killed when their houses collapsed, 25 were washed away by floods and two were electrocuted, NCNA said.

It was the fourth typhoon in the past two months to hit Fujian province, directly across from Taiwan, and inundated 30 townships and five county towns.

Yancy left at least 11 people dead in Taiwan after it plowed into the island last weekend and caused damage there worth 3.7 million U.S. dollars.

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#90236d7270 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) - Iraq, faced with a naval quarantine in the Gulf, is circumventing the U.N.-mandate global trade embargo by receiving air shipments of supplies, including chemical weapon products, the White House said Friday.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater Friday said that U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Thomas Pickering "has outlined at the United Nations the various efforts being undertaken by Iraq to circumvent the sanctions."

Mr. Fitzwater said Iraq's evasion of the embargo included "aviation shipments into Baghdad ... military materiel that appears to be coming in through some routes and also the procurement of chemical warfare products ... from some other countries."

Asked which countries were aiding Iraq and what route the cargo planes were

using, Mr. Fitzwater said, "I am not willing to identify sources or the avenues."

Mr. Fitzwater said Washington was trying to end violations of the embargo but refused to go into details at this stage.

Mr. Pickering cited several examples of attempts by Iraq, with the complicity of other countries, to export oil but he also did not name those countries.

He also mentioned Iraqi efforts "to illegally import many different commodities -- arms, machinery, steel."

The United Nations imposed an international embargo against Iraq following its August 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait.

The five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council are currently discussing a draft resolution that would permit the use of minimum force to uphold the embargo.

Mr. Pickering Thursday said the five -- the United States, the Soviet Union,

China, Britain and France -- had agreed to refer the draft text to their respective governments for approval.

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#90236d7340 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) - The U.S. Embassy in Kuwait, where a handful of diplomats Friday awaited a possible intervention by Iraqi forces, is a complex of buildings ringed by a high wall reinforced after a 1983 terrorist attack.

Only one steel gate, protected by concrete barriers against suicide car-bombs, pierces the long, blank wall nearly three meters (10 feet) high, according to diplomats and journalists who have been posted there.

Iraq has ordered all embassies in Kuwait to close by Friday. The United States and more than 20 other countries have refused to obey.

On Friday, about a dozen Iraqi soldiers were at the gate, a State Department official said. The soldiers seemed to be blocking access, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said.

Non-essential diplomatic personnel have been evacuated along the Marines who usually guard the embassy were withdrawn Thursday.

The rectangular enclosure, separated by a highway from a Gulf beach, was reinforced after a pro-Iranian terrorist crashed a truck loaded with gas cylinders through the steel gates on December 12, 1983.

The attack killed six people, including the driver, and destroyed the embassy's administration building.

"I suppose a tank, like an Iraqi tank, could get through, but it has been reinforced, the wall has been upgraded and the entry gates," said a diplomat who has served in Kuwait who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Inside the gate, there is the chancery, a single-story stone building, and to the north, the brick administration building that has been rebuilt, said Francois Dickman, a retired Foreign Service officer who was U.S. ambassador to Kuwait from 1979 to 1983.

The complex also includes the ambassador's residence, a two-story building, a warehouse, a garden, a swimming pool and parking lot.

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#90236d7700 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (AUG. 24) - Dublin exploded in joy late Friday at news that Irish hostage Brian Keenan, held hostage in Lebanon for more than four years, had been released.

"Everyone in Ireland is overjoyed," the government said in a communique, adding: "The government would like to express their deep appreciation to the government of Iran for the effort" it had made to secure the release, while the Syrian government was also thanked for its "assistance."

The Irish government said it hoped "this example will soon be followed everywhere in the Middle East so that all hostages, no matter where they are being held or by whom, will be released."

One of Mr. Keenan's two sisters, Mrs. Elaine Spence, said just one word: "Happiness." The other, Mrs. Brenda Gilham, said: "It's absolutely brilliant."

Then, in a joint message to the 39-year-old teacher before leaving for Damascus where Mr. Keenan was being handed over to Irish officials, they said "Hang on Brian, we'll be with you in just a few hours."

The two sisters had left their homes in Belfast earlier Friday for Dublin where they were told of the release. They were joined in their hotel by Irish Foreign Minister Gerry Collins.

In London the Foreign Office said: "We are delighted at the release of the

Irish hostage Brian Keenan. In agreement with the Irish government and at the request of his family, we have for some years regarded Keenan as Irish."

Mr. Keenan, born in Belfast, has double British and Irish nationality.

A Foreign Office spokesman also hailed the role played by Iran and Syria in obtaining the release.

Meanwhile the families of Terry Waite and John McCarthy, the British hostages still held in Lebanon, expressed joy and hope at the freeing of Mr. Keenan.

David Waite, brother of the Archbishop of Canterbury's special envoy to Lebanon who was kidnapped in January 1987, said he hoped Mr. Keenan could give him news of Terry Waite, 50.

The Friends of John McCarthy, a group campaigning for the release of the 33-year-old journalist who was seized in April 1986, said they were "delighted" but spokesman Joan Willows said: "Brian and John had spent almost their entire period of captivity together so we are concerned about how John will react to Brian's release."

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#90236d7770 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) - Since American troops were first dispatched to the Gulf on August 7, Sergeant Anthony Johnson, an army recruiter here, has been besieged by calls from volunteers.

"Army: Be all that you can be," reads a poster on the wall above the sergeant's head.

The telephone rings frequently -- callers eager to test their mettle in what some see shaping up as a desert war. But few will be chosen.

Many are too young, or too old, not quite smart enough, or fit enough. Many are foreigners seeking a route to remain in the country without proper documents, Sgt. Johnson said.

"I have at least twice as many phone calls," as before the crisis, he said.

"I have more work, but it's bad work. A lot of people are not qualified."

The Army and Marines require a secondary school diploma, and a physical examination and drug test.

A successful recruit will be housed, fed and clothed by the military and

will received 700 dollars a month during his or her first year of service.

"I got several calls from Canada from people who wanted to fight with the Americans," he said. "I have mostly Trinidadian and Jamaican people who have lost their green card (residence permit)."

One Kuwait student tried to sign up, but did not want to commit himself, as required, for the required three to four years.

"He wanted to defend his country, he wanted to join but just for a short tour. He was very disappointed," the sergeant said.

Veterans called, too. One 41-year-old Vietnam veteran calle but he was well beyond the 35-year age limit to enlist, Sgt. Johnson said.

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#90236d7840 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG 25) - Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu was due to meet with leading ministers Saturday evening to consider the Gulf crisis and Japan's contribution to multinational forces in the region, government sources said.

The urgent meeting is expected to hear a detailed report from Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama, due to to return earlier in the day from a regional tour of Saudi Arabia, Oman, Jordan, Egypt and Turkey.

Mr. Nakayama, who stopped in Stockholm on Friday before returning to Tokyo,

reportedly hinted that the time might have come to change laws which prevent the dispatch of Japanese military personnel abroad.

"We may have reached a time when the laws must be adjusted," he reportedly told Japanese journalists in the Swedish capital. "We must discuss what can be done as a member of the international family."

Japan, whose post-war constitution renounces the threat or use of force to settle international disputes, has maintained "self-defence" forces since 1954 but their activities are restricted by law to Japanese territory.

The American ambassador to Japan, Michael Armacost, suggested Thursday that Tokyo send minesweepers to the Gulf, underlining the "importance of being involved directly in multinational ventures."

In this context, Japan's ambassador to the United States, Ryohei Murata, was recalled to Tokyo on Saturday for urgent consultations.

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#90236d8020 08/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ALGIERS (AUG. 25) - Eleven people were killed and 40 injured when two buses collided head-on early Friday on a motorway about 600 kilometers (370 miles) south of the Algerian capital, officials here said.

The accident occurred on the Ghardaia to El Meniaa road in the M'zab region. The injured were brought here by plane and were hospitalized at the Beni-Messous Hospital just outside Algiers.

The cause of the accident was not known.

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#90236e0018 08/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
ANKARA (AUG 24) EFE - A small bomb exploded Friday outside the Spanish consulate in Istanbul causing minor damage but no injuries, the Turkish news agency Anatolia reported.

A Turkish-speaking person phoned the consulate in central Istanbul warning staff of the presence of the bomb shortly before it went off.

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#90236e0022 08/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
SANTIAGO (AUG. 24) - The bodies of two leftist youths who disappeared following the 1973 militiary coup have been exhumed from an illegal grave in central Chile, authorities said.

Judge German Hermosilla, leader of the investigating team at the site in the town of Paine, confirmed Thursday that the dead were Saul Carcamo and Ricardo Carrasco, aged 18 and 20 at the time of their death.

The two victims were known members of the Leftist Revolutionary Movement (MIR) and were believed to have been killed five days after the September 11 coup that toppled the constitutional government of Salvador Allende and brought Gen. Augusto Pinochet to power.

Preliminary investigations have indicated that both victims were shot repeatedly in the back and that Carrasco's skull was cracked after he was shot twice in the neck at close range.

Hermosilla ordered the digging after the Vicariate of Solidarity of the Catholic Church compiled testimony from area residents about dozens of people who were allegedly murdered by a group of 100 armed civilians and 27 military police in Paine following the coup.

According to Patricio Araya, a friend of the two victims who witnessed

their deaths, the youths were dragged from Araya's house and shot by a group of people which included members of the military police.

Since the democratic government of Patricio Aylwin took office March 11 ending the 16-year Pinochet dictatorship, reports of a large number of illegal graves dating from after the coup have been investigated.

Earlier this month, the Chilean Human Rights Commission estimated that some 300 mass graves could be found across the country.

Five bodies exhumed from Paine earlier this week were found to be those of people who died before 1973.

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#90236e0030 08/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BILBAO, SPAIN (AUG 24) EFE - At least 23 people were injured after police clashed Friday with Basque nationalists who tried to pull down the Spanish flag hanging from the town hall in the northern Spanish city of Bilbao, police said

Police fired tear gas and rubber bullets at hundreds of Basque nationalists who chased and attacked a police officer after trying to replace the Spanish flag with the red, white and green standard of the Basque region during Bilbao's annual Semana Grande celebrations.

One of the wounded was operated on after a rubber bullet hit him in the eye while another two people were reported as being seriously injured. Some 20 others were treated for bruises and cuts.

Police arrested three people.

Friday's incident followed the death earlier this week of a suspected supporter of the Basque separatist group ETA after a bomb he was preparing in his car exploded before he could carry out an attack on a supermarket outside the northern city of San Sebastian.

Some 600 people have been killed since ETA took up arms in the 1960's to fight for independence for the Basque region.

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#90236e0031 08/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
TEHRAN (AUG 24) EFE - Some 21,000 prisoners from both sides in the eight-year Iran-Iraq War had been exchanged by Friday, Irani officials said.

The latest batch of 1,500 were delivered to the frontier earlier Friday where they were received by officials from the International Committee of the Red Cross.

A spokesman for the Iranian Foreign Ministry said a Boeing 747 Jumbo-jet was set to make the next exchange flying an unspecified number of Iraqis to Baghdad before returning with an equal number of Iranians.

The repatriation of POWs began last week with the surprise announcement from Iraq's President Saddam Hussein finally settling peace terms between the two countries, which agreed to a cease-fire in 1988.

Saddam also agreed to return territory occupied during the war and the shared use of the Shatt al-Arab waterway.

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#90236e0034 08/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
RIO DE JANEIRO (AUGUST 24) EFE - The Brazilian government is to sell off three shipping and three electricity companies as the second phase of a major privatization program, the Brazilian press reported Friday.

A director of the National Bank of Economic and Social Development, Venilton Tadini, announced that the sales were expected to begin by the end of this year.

But Tadini, who will be in charge of the sales, said the state would continue directing the public services, and that the private sector would manage distribution.

He added that the transference of public services to private hands, a central plank in President Fernando Collor de Mello's economic reform program, was necessary to encourage investment in areas currently lacking resources.

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#90236e0035 08/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
SANTIAGO (AUG 24) EFE - The bodies of three Chilean farmers were found wrapped in plastic bags and tied up with electrical cords in a clandestine grave in the southern part of the country, government officials said Friday.

The bodies, apparently shot during the bloody 1973 military coup of Gen. Augusto Pinochet, were dug up Thursday in a cemetery in Talca, 258 km south of Santiago.

Judge Christiane Ibarra led the excavation after the Catholic Church Vicariate of Solidarity released a report detailing "proven homicide, illegal disinterment and burial" in the region.

A lawyer for the Catholic organization, Silvia Espinoza, said the three men were farmers who, according to press reports at the time, were accused of attacking a conscript in 1973.

The report said a military district attorney ordered the three men arrested and shot on October 3, 1973 without trial.

Workers exhuming the bodies Thursday discovered that the three men had been illegally dug up and reburied for unknown reasons in the same cemetery on two previous occasions.

Meanwhile in Huelquen, 25 km south of Santiago, excavations continued in the town's cemetery where four executed politicians are believed buried.

Since President Patricio Aylwin's democratic government came to power last March, reports of a large number of mass graves throughout the country dating from shortly after the coup have been investigated.

Many of the victims were supporters of former president Salvador Allende, ousted from power by Pinochet.

Earlier this month, the Chilean Commission of Human Rights estimated that some 300 mass graves could be found throughout the country.

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#90236e0039 08/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PANAMA CITY (AUG 24) EFE - Three U.S. soldiers billeted to Panama have been arrested and charged with planning several bank robberies, Panamanian police said Friday.

Judicial Technical Police (PTJ) director Leslie Loaiza said Panamanian police gave information on the group's plans to the U.S. Army Department of Criminal Investigations (CID), which arrested the soldiers at the U.S. Clayton military base near Panama City.

The soldiers had two shotguns, several pistols, masks and "detailed plans" which they were planning to use in robberies of at least four banks and other businesses, Loaiza said.

He added that the the PTJ had initially planned to arrest the soldiers in the act of committing the robberies, but discovered that the soldiers were planning to murder a bank watchman as well as a taxi-driver whose taxi they intended to use in the first heist.

U.S. Army spokesman Lt. Col Bruce Bell said the Army was investigating the allegations and that the three may be court-martialed.

Loaiza said it was not known whether there was a connection between these arrests and the wave of thefts from banks and businesses in recent months in Panama.

U.S. soldiers are stationed in Panama following the U.S. invasion last December to oust military dictator Gen. Manuel Noriega from power.

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#90236h0001 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BUDAPEST (AUG. 24) XINHUA - THE HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT REPORTED TODAY THAT UNEMPLOYMENT IN HUNGARY HAS JUMPED 61 PERCENT IN THE PAST 11 MONTHS.

BUT CONFLICTING REPORTS FROM OTHER SOURCES SAY THE JOBLESS FIGURE IS SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER.

THE HUNGARIAN WORLD ECONOMICS WEEKLY, QUOTING THE GOVERNMENT'S JOB SEEKING OFFICE, REPORTED TODAY THAT 38,155 HUNGARIANS ARE NOW OUT OF WORK, COMPARED WITH 23,646 FROM LAST AUTUMN.

HUNGARY HAS A POPULATION OF 10.60 MILLION AND A LABOR FORCE OF LESS THAN 5 MILLION.

THE WEEKLY SAID 56 PERCENT OF THOSE WITHOUT WORK ARE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 31-50, WHILE 35 PERCENT ARE IN THEIR 20'S.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN HUNGARY HAS INCREASED SINCE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC CHANGES BEGAN LAST YEAR, CAUSING A RISE IN CRIME THIS YEAR.

THE HUNGARIAN NEWS AGENCY MTI REPORTED RECENTLY THAT 41,756 HUNGARIANS LOST THEIR JOBS BY THE END OF JUNE, BUT THE WESTERN MEDIA HAS ESTIMATED THAT THE COUNTRY HAS OVER 200,000 UNEMPLOYED.

THE FIGURE RELEASED BY THE GOVERNMENT'S JOB SEEKING OFFICE IS BELIEVED TO

BE THE LOWEST, BECAUSE MANY OF THE UNEMPLOYED DO NOT REGISTER WITH THE OFFICE TO LOOK FOR NEW WORK.

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#90236h0017 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (AUG. 24) XINHUA - FOREIGN MINISTERS OF SIX EAST AFRICAN COUNTRIES WILL MEET IN NAIROBI ON AUGUST 27 TO WORK OUT DETAILS OF AN AGREEMENT FOR ENDING CIVIL WARS IN THE REGION, REPORTED THE "DAILY NATION" HERE TODAY.

THE ENGLISH NEWSPAPER QUOTED KENYAN FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS AS SAYING THAT FOREIGN MINISTERS OF KENYA, UGANDA, ETHIOPIA, SOMALIA, SUDAN AND DJIBOUTI WILL ATTEND THE MEETING.

THE MEETING WHICH WILL BE HELD UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY FOR DROUGHT AND DEVELOPMENT, IS EXPECTED TO COME UP WITH A SUBSTANTIAL DECLARATION FOR REGIONAL PEACE.

THE SIX COUNTRIES AGREED TO WORK FOR REGIONAL PEACE AT A MEETING HELD AT THE ANNUAL SUMMIT OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY (OAU) IN ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA, IN JULY THIS YEAR.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ACCORD SIGNED AT THE OAU SUMMIT MEETING, THE SIX COUNTRIES PROMISED TO "REFRAIN FROM ANY ACTION AGAINST THE NATIONAL UNITY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF OTHER MEMBER STATES".

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#90236h0090 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

OTTAWA (AUG. 24) XINHUA - A MONTREAL-BASED CANADIAN COMPANY HAS WON A MAJOR CONTRACT TO HELP BUILD A LARGE PULP AND PAPER MILL IN CHINA'S SICHUAN PROVINCE.

W.C. BACHELOR, VICE-PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER OF THE CIC CANADIAN INDUSTRIAL CONSORTIUM INC., TOLD XINHUA IN A TELEPHONE INTERVIEW TODAY THAT HIS COMPANY HAS BEEN AWARDED A 37.54 MILLION CANADIAN DOLLAR CONTRACT TO PROVIDE EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY TO THE PAPER MILL TO BE LOCATED IN YA'AN DISTRICT.

HE SAID THAT CANADA'S EXPORT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, A TRADE PROMOTING GOVERNMENT AGENCY, HAS AGREED TO LEND CHINA 37.5 MILLION CANADIAN DOLLARS TO SUPPORT CIC'S CONTRACT. THE BALANCE OF THE 100 MILLION DOLLAR MILL WILL COME FROM THE SICHUAN PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT.

THIS IS CIC'S FIRST MAJOR DIRECT OVERSEAS CONTRACT SINCE THE COMPANY WAS INCORPORATED IN 1986, BACHELOR SAID. CIC HAS SPENT THREE YEARS IN DEVELOPING AND NEGOTIATING THE CONTRACT WHICH WAS SIGNED ON MAY 19 THIS

YEAR IN BEIJING. THE COMPANY IS STILL NEGOTIATING ADDITIONAL PROJECTS IN CHINA.

THE RAW MATERIAL OF THE YA'AN MILL WILL BE PLANTATION BAMBOOS, WHICH ARE IN NO WAY INVOLVED IN PANDA SURVIVAL. PANDA EATS WILD BAMBOOS.

WHEN FULLY OPERATIONAL IN 1993, THE MILL WILL BE ABLE TO PRODUCE 80,000 TONS OF OFF-SET PAPER A YEAR.

APART FROM SUPPLYING EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY, CIC WILL ALSO UNDERTAKE A TRAINING PROGRAM FOR THE MILL.

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#90236h0099 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WINDHOEK (AUG. 24) XINHUA - EARTHLIFE NAMIBIA, A WILD- LIFE-PROTECTING BRANCH OF EARTHLIFE AFRICA, IS SCHEDULED TO DIS- CUSS THE PLANNED KILLING OF 20,000 SEALS ON THE NAMIBIAN COAST AT ITS SEPTEMBER 3 GENERAL MEETING.

THE MEETING FOLLOWS THE DISPUTE ON THE PLANNED KILLING OF 30,000 SEALS ALONG THE CAPE COAST OF SOUTH AFRICA BY A TAIWANESE BUSINESSMAN.

THE ORGANIZATION IS NOW PARTICULARLY CONCERNED ABOUT AN ALLE- GED QUOTA GIVEN TO A LOCAL BUSINESSMAN OF KILLING MORE THAN 20,000 SEALS ON THE COAST OUTSIDE LUDERITZ OF NAMIBIA.

THE GENERAL MEETING IS EXPECTED TO DETERMINE IF THE KILLING OF 20,000 SEALS ALONG THE NAMIBIAN COAST IS "CULLING" OR "HAR- VESTING".

ENVIRONMENTALISTS SAID THAT "CULLING" IS AN ARTIFICIAL REDUC- TION OF A SEAL POPULATION WHEN IT BECOMES TOO LARGE TO BE SUP- PORTED IN ITS ENVIRONMENT WHILE "HARVESTING" IS A REDUCTION OF A SEAL POPULATION FOR ECONOMIC PROFIT.

ENVIRONMENTALISTS SUPPORT SEAL "CULLING" BUT OPPOSE SEAL "HARVESTING". EARTHLIFE NAMIBIA SAID IN A PRESS RELEASE THAT IN ORDER TO HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THE KILLING OF SEALS ALONG NAMIBIAN COAST, IT IS IMPORTANT TO KNOW WHETHER THE KILLING IS CULLING OR HARVESTING.

THE SEAL POPULATION ALONG THE COAST OF SOUTH AFRICA AND NA- MIBIA IS ABOVE 600,000. PELTS OF YOUNG SEALS CAN BE MADE INTO EXPENSIVE SEALSKIN.

"THE PUBLIC HAS THE RIGHT TO KNOW DETAILS ABOUT THE SIZE OF THE EXISTING SEAL POPULATION, THE DANGERS OF ITS DECLINE FOR NATURAL REASONS AND THE FACTORS ON WHICH THE DECISION TO ALLOW THE KILLING OF THE SEALS WAS BASED " ARGUED THE ORGANIZATION.

THOSE WHO STAND FOR KILLING SEALS ARGUED THAT SEALS CONSUME TOO MUCH SEA

RESOURCES. BUT SUCH KIND OF ARGUMENT HAS BEEN BITTERLY CHALLENGED BY ENVIRONMENTALISTS.

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#90236h0105 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) XINHUA - THE OVERALL CANCER DEATH RATE HAS SOARED IN SIX INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS SINCE 1960S, ACCORDING TO A STUDY PUBLISHED IN THE LATEST ISSUE OF THE "LANCET" MEDICAL JOURNAL.

THE STUDY FOUND THAT THE DEATH RATES FROM STOMACH AND LUNG CANCERS IN MEN HAD BEEN FALLING FOR THOSE OVER 55 YEARS OLDS OVER THE LAST 20 YEARS IN THE UNITED STATES, JAPAN AND FOUR EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. BUT OVERALL CANCER MORTALITY HAD SOARED, LED BY RISES IN TUMORS OF THE BRAIN, BREAST, KIDNEY, SKIN, LYMPHATIC SYSTEM AND BONE MARROW.

DR. DEVRA LEE DAVIS, WHO CONDUCTED THE STUDY, REPORTED THAT DEATH RATES FROM BRAIN AND NERVOUS SYSTEM TUMORS TRIPLED AMONG AMERICANS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 75 AND 84 DURING THE PERIOD STUDIED.

AMONG THE SPECIFIC FINDINGS OF LEE DAVIS OF THE MOUNT SINIA MEDICAL CENTER IN NEW YORK WERE:

-- DEATH RATES FROM BRAIN TUMORS MORE THAN DOUBLED IN ALL SIX COUNTRIES AMONG PEOPLE BETWEEN 75 TO 84, AND ALMOST DOUBLED IN THOSE 65 TO 74.

--MORTALITY FROM MULTIPLE MYELOMA INCREASED BY AT LEAST 80 PERCENT IN ALL SIX COUNTRIES AMONG PEOPLE AGED 75 TO 84, AND BY 30 PERCENT IN THOSE 65 TO 74.

--DEATH RATES FROM BREAST CANCER IN WOMEN OVER 65 SHOWED CONSISTENT INCREASE, RANGING FROM 10 PERCENT TO 60 PERCENT DEPENDING ON THE COUNTRY.

--DEATH RATES FROM MALIGNANT MELANOMA SHOWED RAPID INCREASES AMONG PEOPLE OVER 45.

--DEATH RATES FROM NON-HODGKIN'S LYMPHOMA, ANOTHER TUMOR OF WHITE BLOOD CELLS, ARE ALSO INCREASING IN OLDER PEOPLE.

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#90236h0107 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (AUGUST 24) XINHUA - U.S. TREASURY UNDERSECRETARY DAVID MULFORD REAFFIRMED U.S. "FIRM SUPPORT" FOR THE SOUTH AMERICAN NATION'S ECONOMIC PLAN, SAYING THAT ARGENTINA "HAS ALWAYS BEEN ONE OF THE CANDIDATES FOR THE BRADY PLAN".

MULFORD MET WITH ARGENTINE PRESIDENT CARLOS MENEM THURSDAY AT THE

PRESIDENTIAL RESIDENCE OF OLIVOS TO DISCUSS, AMONG OTHER THINGS, U.S. PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH'S JUNE 27 PROPOSAL CALLED "THE INITIATIVE FOR THE AMERICAS." MULFORD ARRIVED HERE LATE THURSDAY FOR A ONE-DAY VISIT MARKING THE FIRST LEG OF A LATIN AMERICAN TOUR THAT INCLUDES BRAZIL, VENEZUELA, PARAGUAY AND URUGUAY.

AFTER THE MEETING, MULFORD TOLD REPORTERS THE TWO HAD TALKED "ABOUT THE ARGENTINE AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC SITUATION, THIS COUNTRY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE INITIATIVE FOR THE AMERICAS, THE DEBT AND THE BRADY PLAN."

THE TREASURY UNDERSECRETARY ALSO SAID HE HAD EXPRESSED "FIRM SUPPORT" FOR ARGENTINA'S CURRENT ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN.

MULFORD SAID THE AMERICAS INITIATIVE "IS VERY EXTENSIVE, IT INVOLVES TRADE INVESTMENT, THE DEBT AND IT ALSO INCLUDES ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS."

SAID MULFORD, "THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNITED STATES IS CURRENTLY BUSY PREPARING THE IMPLEMENTATION, WHICH REQUIRES CONSULTATION WITHIN OUR GOVERNMENT AND WITH CONGRESS. WE ARE GOING TO NEED SOME LEGISLATION, CONSULTATIONS WITH THE INTERAMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK AND LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES."

MENEM, IN TURN, DESCRIBED MULFORD'S VISIT AS "VERY GOOD," BECAUSE "WE DEALT WITH A CRUCIAL SUBJECT FOR ARGENTINA, SUCH AS THE INTEGRATION OF AMERICA FROM THE VIEW POINT OF THE BUSH PROPOSAL."

IN ADDITION TO HIS TALKS CONCERNING THE BUSH PROPOSAL, MULFORD DISCUSSED ARGENTINA'S ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN WITH OFFICIALS HERE, IT WAS REPORTED.

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#90236h0109 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

YANGON (AUGUST 24) XINHUA - SOME 29,000 ACRES OF PADDY FIELDS IN EINME TOWNSHIP OF IRRAWADDY DIVISION WERE FLOODED BECAUSE OF AN INUNDATED RIVER, THE "WORKING PEOPLE'S DAILY" REPORTED TODAY.

THE PAPER SAID THAT IN THE MIDDLE OF AUGUST, THE OVERFLOWED NGAWIN RIVER, A TRIBUTARY OF IRRAWADDY RIVER, FLOODED THE TOWNSHIP'S FOUR VILLAGES AND 29,000 ACRES OF PADDY FIELDS AND DESTROYED OVER 8,000 ACRES OF THEM.

THE TOWNSHIP LEADERS AND OFFICIALS INSPECTED THE AFFLICTED AREAS BY BOAT AND MET WITH FARMERS. THE AFFECTED FARMERS WERE ENCOURAGED TO REPLANT PADDY AFTER RIVER WATER RECEDED.

ACCORDING TO THE PAPER, DAMAGES HAVE BEEN REPORTED IN CERTAIN AREAS OF THE COUNTRY OWING TO FLOODING DURING THE CURRENT RAINY SEASON WHILE SOME OTHER DIVISIONS OR STATES HAVE THRIVING CROPS THANKS TO FAVORABLE RAINFALL.

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#90236h0113 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LIMA (AUGUST 24) XINHUA - THE PRESIDENT OF PERU'S ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES, RICARDO BELMONT, THURSDAY EXPRESSED HIS ORGANIZATION'S SOLIDARITY WITH AND SUPPORT FOR THE GOVERNMENT'S EFFORTS TO GET THE COUNTRY BACK ON ITS FEET.

AFTER HE AND BURGOMASTERS FROM VARIOUS DISTRICTS MET WITH PRESIDENT ALBERTO FUJIMORI AT THE GOVERNMENT PALACE, BELMONT TOLD REPORTERS, "WE HAVE TO SUPPORT THE MORALIZATION, THE WORKING SPIRIT, THE RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF AUTHORITY AND THE NEW SPIRITUALITY THAT (THE GOVERNMENT) WANTS TO PUT IN PLACE IN THE COUNTRY."

DURING THE MEETING, ACCORDING TO BELMONT, FUJIMORI EXPLAINED THE GOVERNMENT'S ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN AND CALLED FOR THEIR UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION IN VIEW OF THE EFFORT AND SACRIFICE NEEDED OVER THE NEXT SIX MONTHS, THE AMOUNT OF TIME OFFICIALS PREDICT IT WILL TAKE TO ACHIEVE ECONOMIC STABILITY.

ON ANOTHER FRONT, SECOND SENATE VICE-PRESIDENT JULIAN BUSTAMANTE SAID HERE THURSDAY THAT "THE PEOPLE HAVE A LOT OF FAITH AND CONFIDENCE THAT EVERYTHING WILL CHANGE FOR THE BETTER, DESPITE THE DIFFICULT SITUATION THE COUNTRY IS IN."

BUSTAMANTE ALSO CALLED ON THE WORKING CLASS TO CONTINUE THEIR EFFORTS IN WHATEVER FIELD THEY WERE IN, BECAUSE THAT IS THE ONLY WAY TO SAVE PERU FROM THE CRISIS IT IS IN.

AFTER THE NEW ECONOMIC STABILIZATION MEASURES WERE PUT INTO EFFECT ON AUGUST 9 WITH A SHARP RISE IN THE PRICE OF ESSENTIAL GOODS, PERU'S DOMESTIC MARKET HAS STABILIZED SOMEWHAT OVER THE PAST FEW DAYS AND PRICES ARE SHOWING A TENDENCY TO GRADUALLY FALL, IN KEEPING WITH THE GOVERNMENT'S APPLICATION OF THE LAW OF SUPPLY AND DEMAND.

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#90236h0114 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
MANAGUA (AUGUST 24) - NATIONWIDE DROUGHTS PLAGUING NICARAGUA'S AGRICULTURAL ZONES HAVE LED TO THE LOSS OF 19 PERCENT OF THE NATION'S TOTAL FIRST PLANTING OF BASIC GRAINS, AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK MINISTER ROBERTO RONDON SAID THURSDAY.

ACCORDING TO RONDON, CROPS MOST AFFECTED BY DROUGHT INCLUDE 12,926 PLOTS OF BEANS, REPRESENTING 32 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL PLANTED, AND 42,897 PLOTS OF CORN, REPRESENTING 19 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL PLANTED.

NICARAGUA WILL ALOS LOSE 14 PERCENT OF THE INDUSTRIAL SORGHUM PLANTED AND SIX PERCENT OF THE RICE PLANTED, RONDON SAID.

IN ADDITION, A REPORT ON THE SITUATION OF THE FIRST SOWING OF BASIC GRAINS AT A NATIONAL LEVEL, RELEASED BY THE AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK MINISTRY, REVEALED THAT OF THE 380,584 PLOTS OF LAND THAT WERE DESIGNATED FOR SOWING AT THE START OF THE PRESENT CYCLE, ONLY 332,418 PLOTS WERE ACTUALLY SOWN, OR 87.3 PERCENT OF THE LAND AVAILABLE.

THE AGRICULTURAL ZONE MOST AFFECTED BY DROUGHT IS IN THE NORTHEAST, WHICH HAS LOST 41 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL GRAINS SOWN.

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#90236h0121 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ADDIS ABABA (AUG. 24) XINHUA - ETHIOPIAN PRESIDENT MENGISTU HAILE-MARIAM SAID TODAY THAT HIS COUNTRY WILL CONTINUE THE PEACE EFFORT UNDERWAY BETWEEN ETHIOPIA AND SOMALIA TO FURTHER IMPROVE THEIR RELATIONS.

HE MADE THE PLEDGE WHEN MEETING WITH VISITING SOMALI FOREIGN MINISTER AHMED JAMA ABDULE, WHO CAME HERE THURSDAY FOR A MEETING WITH HIS ETHIOPIAN COUNTERPART ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 1988 PEACE ACCORD.

THE PRESIDENT SAID THAT BOTH ETHIOPIA AND SOMALIA ARE ENDOWED WITH ABUNDANT NATURAL RESOURCES WHICH CAN BE USED FOR THEIR ECONOMIC GROWTH.

HE FURTHER NOTED THAT THE TWO NEIGHBORS SHOULD UNDERTAKE JOINT DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES TO THE BENEFITS OF THEIR PEOPLES.

MR. ABDULE TOLD PRESIDENT MENGISTU THAT SOMALIA IS PREPARED TO CARRY OUT ITS OBLIGATIONS TO PROMOTE PEACE AND THE SPIRIT OF BROTHERHOOD BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

ETHIOPIA AND SOMALIA AGREED IN APRIL 1988 TO NORMALIZE THEIR RELATIONS WHICH HAD REMAINED STRAINED SINCE THEY FOUGHT A WAR IN 1978 OVER THE SOVEREIGNTY OF THE OGADAN REGION. THE CURRENT JOINT FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING IS HELD TO REVIEW THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ACCORD.

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#90236h0124 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 24) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO MAXIMIZE THE ECONOMIC POTENTIALS OF COCONUT PRODUCTS AS THE COUNTRY IS BESET BY AN IMPENDING OIL CRISIS DUE TO THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT, PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO SAID HERE TODAY.

IN A SPEECH AT THE 4TH ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF THE NATIONAL COCONUT WEEK, THE PRESIDENT CALLED FOR RADICAL USES OF COCONUT, SUCH AS EXPANDED USE OF

COCO DIESEL AND COCOBUNKER FOR INDUSTRIAL POWER.

SHE SAID THAT SHE HAS DIRECTED THE NATIONAL POWER CORPORATION TO COORDINATE WITH THE PHILIPPINE COCONUT AUTHORITY IN EXPLORING SUCH PROSPECTS.

THE PRESIDENT CALLED FOR THE REBUILDING OF THE COUNTRY'S COCONUT INDUSTRY. SHE LAMENTED THE SLOW GROWTH OF THE COCONUT INDUSTRY WHICH USED TO BE THE COUNTRY'S TOP EXPORT EARNER.

THE PHILIPPINES, THE BIGGEST COCONUT PRODUCER AND EXPORTER IN THE WORLD, EARNS AN AVERAGE OF SOME 700 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS A YEAR FROM THE EXPORT OF COCONUT PRODUCTS.

BUT IN RECENT YEARS, COCONUT INDUSTRY IN THE COUNTRY HAS SUFFERED A SLUMP BECAUSE OF LOW PRICES OF COCONUT PRODUCTS IN THE WORLD MARKET.

"THIS MUST END," PRESIDENT AQUINO SAID, "THE REAL TRANSFORMATION OF THE COUNTRY INTO A PROGRESSIVE ONE MUST START WITH THE COCONUT INDUSTRY."

SHE DIRECTED DEPARTMENTS CONCERNED TO IDENTIFY IMMEDIATELY FUND SOURCES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SOCIAL CREDIT FUND AND ANOTHER INDUSTRIAL LOAN FUND FOR SMALL COCONUT FARMERS.

THE PRESIDENT ENCOURAGED THE PHILIPPINE COCONUT AUTHORITY TO LOOK FOR MORE STABLE MARKETS FOR COCONUT OIL OTHER THAN THE UNITED STATES.

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#90236h0128 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 24) XINHUA - THE CYPRUS GOVERNMENT HAS ALLOWED THE LANDING OF EIGHT U.S. SUPPORT HELICOPTERS BOUND FOR EGYPT AT PAPHOS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, THE CYPRUS NEWS AGENCY (CNA) REPORTED.

THE LANDING WAS CONFIRMED TODAY BY GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN AKIS FANTIS, WHO SAID THAT AFTER THE REFUELING THE U.S. AIR FORCE HELICOPTERS WERE DUE TO LEAVE TODAY FOR EGYPT.

AIRPORT SOURCES TOLD CNA THAT ALL EIGHT U.S. HELICOPTERS LEFT THE AIRPORT AT 0815 LOCAL TIME (0515 GMT) TODAY.

PICTURES OF THE HELICOPTERS, AMONG WHICH WERE TWO HOSPITAL HELICOPTERS, WERE PRINTED IN THE LOCAL GREEK CYPRIOT DAILY NEWSPAPER "ELEFTHEROTYPIA," WHICH SAID THE HELICOPTERS ARRIVED IN PAPHOS FROM THE GREEK ISLAND OF RHODES, IN EASTERN AGEAN, AND WERE BOUND FOR CAIRO, EGYPT.

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#90236h0130 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 24) XINHUA - INDONESIAN AGRICULTURE MINISTER WARDOYO SAID THAT THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT IS EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF LIFTING RESTRICTIONS ON THE IMPORT OF FRUITS, ACCORDING TO A REPORT BY THE "JAKARTA POST" TODAY.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF A PANEL DISCUSSION ON HORTICULTURE AT THE JAKARTA FAIR GROUNDS IN JAKARTA ON WEDNESDAY, WARDOYO SAID THAT THE LIFTING OF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS WAS AIMED MAINLY AT MEETING THE INCREASING DEMAND FOR FRUITS AND AT ABIDING BY THE REGULATIONS OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT).

THE REPORT NOTED THAT THE FRUIT IMPORT RESTRICTION, IMPOSED UNDER THE TRADE MINISTER'S DECREE, IS INTENDED TO PROTECT DOMESTIC PRODUCERS.

HE TOLD PARTICIPANTS THAT THE IMPORT RESTRICTIONS WOULD BE LIFTED BECAUSE THE RATE OF FRUIT CONSUMPTION HAD SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS.

STUDIES SHOW THAT INDONESIA'S FRUIT CONSUMPTION HAS INCREASED AT A RATE OF ABOUT 8 PERCENT PER ANNUM, WHEREAS THE GROWTH RATE OF FRUIT PRODUCTION WAS SAID TO BE RELATIVELY LOW DUE TO THE ABSENCE OF COORDINATION AMONG THE FRUIT PRODUCTION CENTERS AND TO THE CONVENTIONAL PRODUCTION OF THE COMMODITY.

A BREAKTHROUGH WAS BADLY NEEDED TO HELP IMPROVE THE COUNTRY'S FRUIT PRODUCTION IN TERMS OF BOTH QUALITY AND QUANTITY, THE STUDIES SAID.

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#90236h0153 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ALGIERS (AUG. 24) XINHUA - A HEAD-ON COLLISION BETWEEN TWO BUSES IN A SOUTHERN PROVINCE OF ALGERIA TODAY KILLED 11 PEOPLE AND INJURED 40 OTHERS, POLICE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE INJURED WERE EVACUATED BY PLANE FROM THE SITE OF THE ACCIDENT, IN THE M'ZAB REGION 600 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF THE CAPITAL, THE OFFICIALS, WHO REFUSED TO BE IDENTIFIED, SAID.

ELEVEN OF THE 40 WERE IN SERIOUS CONDITION, THEY ADDED. THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE ACCIDENT WERE NOT MADE AVAILABLE.

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#90236h0160 08/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (AUG. 24) XINHUA - NIGERIAN MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS RILWANU LUKMAN LEFT HERE TODAY FOR SAUDI ARABIA TO DELIVER A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM NIGERIAN PRESIDENT IBRAHIM BABANGIDA FOR THE SAUDI MONARCH.

OFFICIAL SOURCES HERE SAID THAT DR. LUKMAN IS EXPECTED TO DISCUSS WITH SAUDI LEADERS ISSUES RELATED TO THE GULF CRISIS AND THE BILATERAL RELATIONS.

BUT OBSERVERS HERE BELIEVE THAT THE MINISTER WILL FOCUS HIS TALKS WITH SAUDI LEADERS ON THE HIKING OIL PRICES IN THE WORLD MARKET AS A RESULT OF THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT, BOTH OPEC MEMBER STATES.

SAUDI ARABIA AND NIGERIA, THE TWO LARGEST OIL PRODUCERS IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND THE BLACK AFRICA DIFFER OVER THE OPEC PRODUCTION QUOTA. WHILE NIGERIA INSISTS ON THE OIL PRODUCTION QUOTA REACHED DURING THE LAST OPEC MEETING IN GENEVA, SAUDI ARABIA CALLS FOR THE INCREASE OF THE PRODUCTION QUOTAS TO MEET THE SHORTAGE IN THE WORLD OIL MARKET AS A MAJOR STEP TO CHECK THE GLOBAL OIL PRICES SURGE AFTER THE GULF CRISIS.

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#90236j0001 08/24/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

(AUG. 24) JOURNAL GRAPHICS - Summarizing the previous day's television programs transcribed by Journal Graphics, Inc. Full transcripts available by fax or mail.

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Primetime Live (ABC) August 23, 1990 (Transcript #155)

''Just Cause?'' (an American soldier is prosecuted for mudering a Pananmanian prisoner of war); ''King Fear'' (the strange mind of horror novelist Stephen King); ''14-Love'' (a portrait of tennis prodigy Jennifer Capriati); Also: Americans both famous and ordinary speak their minds about the Iraqi hostage situation; Persian Gulf update.

48 Hours (CBS) August 23, 1990 (Transcript #123)

Drug War on Main Street (Repeat-#95): A report on how Tacoma, Washington, is handling drug dealers and addicts in the courts and in neighborhoods.

Nightline (ABC) August 23, 1990 (Transcript #2414)

Persian Gulf Crisis Threatens U.S. Economy: A look at how world stock markets are affected by steep rises in oil prices and the political/military crisis in the Middle East, plus predictions of what could happen in the future. Guests include oil market analyst Charles Maxwell, Newsweek columnist Jane Bryant Quinn, and economist David Jones.

Larry King Live (CNN) August 23, 1990 (Transcript #114)

Frank Reed: The former hostage discusses his 44 months as a hostage in Lebanon. He details the abuses he suffered and tells what he feels needs to be done to get other hostages freed.

Crossfire (CNN) August 23, 1990 (Transcript #124)

The Media War Zone: Former network news correspondent Bernard Kalb, media critic Brent Bozell, and Los Angeles Times TV critic Howard Rosenberg discuss CNN's airing of Saddam Hussein's meeting with British citizens being held in Iraq.

Moneyline (CNN) August 23, 1990 (Transcript #168)

The Dow closed below 2500 for the first time in 13 months; bonds are being battered by inflation; the government is under pressure to pay for a search for alternative sources of energy; arms sales in the Middle East have skyrocketed; Henry Schuler of the Center for Strategic and International Studies discusses OPEC; the Nikkei average closed at a new low for the year.

Oprah Winfrey Show August 23, 1990 (Transcript #1029)

The Ultimate Hunt / Inmates as Volunteer Prey: Guests discuss the use of inmates as quarry for training prison dogs. Jerry Hodge, the prison official who brought along two hunting buddies last year to watch a practice run and then called it the ultimate hunt, joins the discussion, along with Texas State Representative Ron Wilson, who is calling for the impeachment of Mr. Hodge and says that using inmates to train dogs is a slave sport.

Sally Jessy Raphael August 23, 1990 (Transcript #514)

Grandfather Fathers: Men who are married to women much younger than themselves and are starting second families discuss what it's like raising kids the second time around.

Geraldo August 23, 1990 (Transcript #766)

The Wives of Death Row (Repeat-#611): Two wives talk about their husbands who were or are on death row and how it has affected their lives.

Donahue August 23, 1990 (Transcript #3018)

Passive/Aggressive Men (Repeat-#2654): Clinical psychologist Joy Brown explains passive/aggressive behavior in men and offers methods of getting

men to open up and deal with their emotions.

Good Morning America (ABC) August 23, 1990 (Transcript #1094)

Calling up the Reserves; Soviet role in the Gulf crisis; ''infomercials''; Jennifer Capriati interview; My Blue Heaven review; computer crimes; Bert Parks interview; back to school: help for dyslexics, the first day.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) August 23, 1990 (Transcript #154)

Middle East Hostages: Saddam Hussein is calling them ''guests'' tonight, a group of Westerners he displayed on Iraq's state television today in a 45-minute videotape. No one knows where the tape was made or when, but the hostages spoke with British accents. Hussein joked with them and told them they were only being held to ''prevent the scourge of war.''

Weekend Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: James Woods & James Garner on Alcoholism Sally Jessy Raphael: Pint-Sized and Proud of It Geraldo: Real-Life War of the Roses Oprah Winfrey: My Children Mistreat Me 20/20: Whistle Blowers II; Kids' Visions; How to Fight with Your Spouse; Iraqi update 60 Minutes: The Persian Gulf Crisis; Chernobyl; Mr. Roberts; Who Killed Ernestine Perea? Adam Smith's Money World: Supercomputers: Can America Stay on Top?

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#90236k0081 08/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 24) KYODO - BMW AND SAAB-SCANIA ARE BOTH RECALLING LUXURY SEDANS SOLD ON THE JAPANESE MARKET, THEIR DISTRIBUTOR SAID FRIDAY.

THE BMW 318IA SEDAN WAS FOUND TO HAVE A DEFECTIVE SEAL BETWEEN THE ENGINE AND THE OIL PAN, SEIBU MOTOR SALES CO. SAID. IF THE FAULTY GASKET WAS NOT CHANGED, IT COULD RUIN THE ENGINE, THE FIRM ADDED.

THE SAAB 9000, MEANWHILE, HAS AN INADEQUATE CONNECTOR ON ITS AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION AXLE CONTROL CABLE, SEIBU SAID. THE CONNECTOR IS DESIGNED TO KEEP THE CABLE FROM SLIDING AROUND UNDER THE CAR, AND A LOOSE CABLE COULD PUNCTURE THE BRAKE LINES, POSSIBLY CAUSING AN ACCIDENT.

BOTH COMPANIES WILL REPAIR THE CARS FREE OF CHARGE, SEIBU SAID.

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#90236k0088 08/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG 24) KYODO - MEIWA TRADING CO. SAID FRIDAY IT WILL SUSTAIN A 400 MILLION YEN UNCONSOLIDATED PRETAX LOSS FOR THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR

ENDING NEXT MARCH INSTEAD OF AN 800 MILLION YEN PROFIT AS FORECAST EARLIER MAINLY DUE TO CUBAN IMPORT BILL PAYMENTS IN ARREARS.

THE COMPANY, SPECIALIZING IN TRADE WITH CUBA AND OTHER SOCIALIST COUNTRIES SAID IT WILL PAY NO DIVIDEND FOR THE YEAR.

MEIWA, AFFILIATED WITH TRADING GIANT MITSUBISHI CORP., SAID CUBA, ITS MAIN TRADING PARTNER, HAS BEEN IN SUCH BAD ECONOMIC SHAPE THAT CHANCES ARE SLIM FOR ITS PAYMENT OF ABOUT 1.2 BILLION YEN IN INTEREST ARISING FROM DELAY IN ITS PAYMENTS FOR AN 8 BILLION YEN SUGAR PLANT AND 2.5 BILLION YEN WORTH OF CHEMICALS EXPORTED IN 1984-85.

MEIWA WILL WRITE OFF THE 1.2 BILLION YEN AS A LOSS IN THE FISCAL 1990 ACCOUNTING YEAR, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

MITSUBISHI, MEIWA'S TOP SHAREHOLDER, HAS DECIDED TO GIVE FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO MEIWA IN ITS RECONSTRUCTION EFFORTS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

MEIWA WILL REFRAIN FROM TRADING WITH CUBA IN THE YEARS AHEAD AND THAT IT WILL GRADUALLY BUILD UP ITS TRADE WITH CAPITALIST COUNTRIES IN AN EFFORT TO SALVAGE ITSELF.

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#90236k0101 08/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 24) KYODO - CHINA WANTS TO HOST THE OLYMPIC GAMES IN THE YEAR 2000, CHINESE OLYMPIC COMMITTEE PRESIDENT HE ZHENLIANG WAS QUOTED BY XINHUA NEWS AGENCY AS SAYING FRIDAY.

THE REPORT SAID HE EXPRESSED HIS DESIRE TO MAKE THE BEIJING ASIAN GAMES SCHEDULED TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 22 THROUGH OCTOBER 7 A SUCCESS, AND HE HOPES THIS WILL SERVE AS A SPRINGBOARD FOR CHINA'S CANDIDACY FOR THE 2000 OLYMPICS.

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#90236m0001 08/24/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 24) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that the first revision of gross national product grew at an annual rate of 1.2% for the second quarter.

Mid-August auto sales by the nations major automakers fell 4.7% from the same period last year. ... GENERAL MOTORS told the UAW it is willing to

boost benefits for laid-off workers, but didn't offer to enhance job security for current employees.

A judge upholds the U.S. takeover of LINCOLN SAVINGS & LOAN. ... PROCTER & GAMBLE dropped its plans to market Maalox antacid and other RHONE-POULENC RORER products, bowing to a U.S. antitrust lawsuit.

ZAPATA plans a restructuring that includes selling a 90% stake in its off-shore oil rigs and giving bank lenders 80% control of the concern.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

PRESIDENT BUSH meets in Kennebunkport with advisers to discuss the federal budget. ... IBM is expected to announce Sept. 5 its first new generation of mainframe computers since 1985 which should give a boost to that market. ... APPLE COMPUTER plans to unveil three new machines in mid-October, including a lower-priced Macintosh with a detachable color monitor.

FROM THE BULLS:

RON SCHROEDER, chief investment officer at J. & W. SELIGMAN, who manages about $800 million, says he is no longer a seller. The sell-off "has been overdone," he says.

"A resolution in the Mideast - either a military one or a negotiated one - would send the market upward. My feeling is [the U.S. and its allies] will get their ducks in a row militarily, and it's over quick and dirty. In the meantime, though, what has crept into the market in the last two days is outright fear." (WSJ, 8/24)

FROM THE BEARS:

"Last year, in July, we predicted a sluggish economy, and we thought then that the averages would be around 2200 at this time not thinking of the Iraq phobia which would enter the picture," says GEORGE ZIMMERMAN, director of research at GRUNTAL & COMPANY.

"I don't know where it will wind up. The market is hinging on every bit of news that comes out of the Mideast. That news cannot be good. We don't expect good news to come from that sector, so the weight on the market is certainly in a downdraft."

Though he cannot predict when the Mideast crisis will be over, he says, "But when its over, you are going to have what I believe will be one of the biggest booms in the stock market." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/23)

BARRY ZISKIN, who manages $50 million, with $18 million of it in the

Z-SEVEN mutual fund of Mesa, Ariz, says yesterday was damaging to the market in that the momentum of selling accelerated. He believes that the bear market has begun and may be a long affair that could last until the second half of 1991. ("Investor's Daily", 8/24)

"We're in a bear market," says SURESH BHIRUD, strategist at OPPENHEIMER & CO. "There's no need to describe it." ("USA Today", 8/24)

STOCK MARKET:

Trading in recent days has been "like trying to kiss a freight train," says RON DORAN, a trader at C.L. KING & ASSOCIATES. "Everybody is ducking and you can't blame them." ("USA Today", 8/24)

"There doesn't seem to be any bottom in sight," says ALAN ACKERMAN, senior vice-president with GRUNTAL & CO. "Stock values are being ignored, investor confidence is low and anxiety about the Mideast is growing day by day. My guess is the selling probably will continue in advance of the weekend." ("Investor's Daily", 8/24)

"There's been a crescendo of selling and right now I'd say it may be reaching a peak," says PHILIP DOW, retail equity marketing manager at PIPER, JAFFRAY & HOPWOOD in Minneapolis. He says he has seen panic selling among some small investors for about two weeks, but not every client is bailing out of stocks. (WSJ, 8/24)

"We were in a bear market before Iraq's invasion of Kuwait," says MARK BOYAR, of MARK BOYAR & CO. "Saddam accelerated it and probably shortened it. You need a strong stomach to buy. But if you think long term, say three to five years, there are buys all over the place. In fact, this could be one of the market's best buying opportunities ever." Boyar believes that the bear market could run through June. ("USA Today", 8/24)

ROBERT FREEDMAN, the chief portfolio manager for the JOHN HANCOCK mutual funds, describes the mood of the market as "ultimate pessimism, extreme nervousness." He says, "It seems like people are throwing out money just to get into cash." While a lot of stocks have fallen to attractive levels, he adds, "We're not doing anything. some extremely discounted stocks." (NYT, 8/24)

"What worries me is we haven't seen a panic,' says NED COLLINS, a trader at DAIWA SECURITIES. "If we have to get panic selling to find a bottom, we have a ways to go" before the market turns up. ("USA Today", 8/24)

"I've been told by a lot of our branch managers that they are getting more calls for quotes from people wondering at this point whether the market can go any lower," says THOMAS QUICK, president of QUICK & REILLY. "People are skittish, but afraid of selling out just before a rebound." (WSJ, 8/24)

STOCK TIPS:

Many major oil companies have reached price-earnings valuations well above their peaks during the last oil-price surge of 1979-1980 when oil reached $40 a barrel, says BERNARD PICCHI, oil analyst at SALOMON BROTHERS.

ATLANTIC RICHFIELD and TEXACO are Picchi's picks because he believes they are still cheap relative to other oil stocks and have less exposure to the chemicals business.

He also likes refiners DIAMOND SHAMROCK, ASHLAND OIL and VALERO ENERGY because they are likely to benefit from diminished refining capacity around the world in wake of the Middle East turmoil. (WSJ, 8/24)

"If crude prices do no more than stay where they are now, people should be buying oil stocks with both hands," says BRYAN JACOBOSKI, an oil analyst with PAINEWEBBER INC. He recommends the purchase of UNOCAL, MURPHY OIL, TEXACO and AMERADA HESS. "A lot of scenarios could lead to lower prices than where we are today, but prices will still be higher than where we were before the [Kuwait] invasion." (NYT, 8/24)

"If you can see doubles and maybe triples in fundamentally sound stocks that have been bludgeoned why not buy? Sure they could go down another 10% to 15% in this hysteria. But so what? When the reward outweighs the risks as much as now, I want to be there," says MARK BOYAR of MARK BOYAR & CO.

His picks among the battered stocks include AFFILIATED PUBLICATIONS, CHOCK FULL O'NUTS, DUN & BRADSTREET, FIELDCREST CANNON, MEREDITH CORP., NEIMAN-MARCUS, N.Y. TIMES, OUTBOARD MARINE, PLAYBOY (Class A), SALOMON INC., SEARS, WHITMAN CORP. and XEROX. ("USA Today", 8/24)

"Heard on the Street" reports that SCOTT PAPER is being buoyed in this market because it is seen as just about recession proof. GARY PALMERO, an OPPENHEIMER & CO. analyst, notes, "Tissue is more necessary than discretionary," and he expects the companies sales to increase due to overseas demand. EVADNA LYNN of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS gives the company a strong "buy" recommendation believing the company will benefit from declining pulp prices. (WSJ, 8/24)

Footware importer MILLFELD TRADING INC. keeps working its way higher as the stock market falls, and is the "Stock of the Week" in "Investor's Daily". The article says that the company's name has become synonymous with relative strength, and they are doing well by filling a niche that the Big Three shoe-makers - NIKE INC., REEBOK INTERNATIONAL LTD and L.A. GEAR INC. - are ignoring: cheap shoes. ("Investor's Daily", 8/24)

#90236m0002 08/24/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys
FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 24) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"Corrective upticks [for the dollar] are very limited and people are viewing even the smallest corrections as selling opportunities," says PETE GRANT, a currency analyst with MONEY MARKET SERVICES in Chicago. "We would look for further declines in the dollar." ("Investor's Daily", 8/24)

"Basically, the dollar's fall hasn't ended," says MICHAEL KOCH, treasurer of the BANK OF AMERICA's Frankfurt branch. "We're going to see DM1.50 before its over. Before that you can't expect the Bundesbank to step in [with intervention]. It's not in their interest." (WSJ, 8/24)

ROBERT HATCHER, a corporate foreign exchange dealer with BARCLAYS BANK PLC in New York, says the dollar is likely to fall further unless central banks, including the Federal Reserve, decide the U.S. currency has fallen far enough. However, there are so signs the banks are concerned about the dollar's drop. ("Investor's Daily", 8/24)

"The bond market is worried about inflation and the stock market is worried about recession. And the Fed is trying to figure out which of these two is the bigger menace," says ROBERT DECLEMENTE, an economist at SALOMON BROTHERS INC.

Most economists think that the Fed has decided that patience is the best way to deal with the current unsettled state of the economy and the markets, and will hold interest rates steady.

"Until the Fed has a clear indication how the economy and the markets will react to a rate change, I can understand why they have to wait on easing," says one economist. (Reuters, 8/24)

"I think interest rates are going higher here and around the world, so this is a good time to keep money in short-term, liquid investments," says JEFFREY POXON, chief investment officer at LAFAYETTE LIFE INSURANCE CO. in Lafayette, Ind. "We've got our helmets and flak jackets on." (WSJ, 8/24)

"In these circumstances it is impossible to trade the fixed-income markets " says DANA JOHNSON, chief money market economist at the FIRST NATIONAL BANK in Chicago. "They are subject to the latest rumor or headline coming out of the Middle East or any movement in oil prices." (NYT, 8/24)

Betting on long-term bonds right now "is very dangerous," says JAMES

BENHAM, chairman of BENHAM CAPITAL MANAGEMENT GROUP. "It's just too big a gamble to buy long bonds right now and bet that this is the high we'll see in rates." (WSJ, 8/24)

"At this point, we do not have foreigners - especially the Japanese - stepping in to buy our securities," says international analyst ANDREW ROJECK of MERRILL LYNCH. ("USA Today", 8/24)

THE ECONOMY:

"Now the economy is active, but sluggish," says GEORGE ZIMMERMAN, director of research at GRUNTAL & COMPANY. "We have very little growth, but we do have an active economy. Specifically, what I am talking about: We only have unemployment levels near the 6% level.

"In 1980 and 82's recession we had it at 10% with interest rates on long-term governments at 14%. So, we have two paychecks now in every family. So economic activity is good but growth is sluggish." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/23)

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT announced that durable goods orders in July climbed 2.9% which was stronger than analysts' predictions. "The individual components in July are generally encouraging, but this report is generally quite volatile so you should discount the strength," says ALAN GAYLE, chief economist at CRESTAR FINANCIAL CORP. in Richmond, Va. (WSJ, 8/24)

"As oil prices rise, the corporate profitability will probably be impaired for those areas outside of the energy companies and so companies will likely to be looking to pair back rather than to increase" durable good orders, says NORMAN MAINS of BATEMAN EICHLER HILL RICHARDS. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/23)

"These decisions were made to place [durable goods] orders well in advance of developments in the Middle East," says NICHOLAS PERNA, chief economist at SHAWMUT NATIONAL CORP. in Boston.

"That means the numbers are essentially borderline irrelevant." He continues, "The real question is what are orders going to look like if people become convinced that oil is at $30 a barrel and rising, and the threat of recession is becoming precipitous." (WSJ, 8/24)

Despite the 4.7% mid-August drop in auto sales, DAVID HEALY, an auto analyst with BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD in New York, says, "So far there seems to be no visible effect on car sales from gasoline problems or fears about the Middle East." (NYT, 8/24)

Nearly six out of ten Americans feel that the U.S. is in a recession

according to a New York Times/CBS News poll. Conducted August 16-19, the poll found that about 55% of the public say the economy is growing worse - the last time Americans felt so negative about their economy was in 1981 and 1982 - 40% of those polled say the economy is staying the same, and only about 4% feel it is getting better. (Reuters, 8/24)

IN WASHINGTON:

"Saddam has three choices" in dealing with the U.S. refusal to close the Kuwait embassy. "He can back off, which I think is unlikely, or he can do nothing, or most likely he will declare that diplomats no longer have diplomatic status and expel them or try to," says AMBASSADOR JAMES AIKEN, former ambassador to Saudi Arabia.

"Given the things that PRESIDENT BUSH has said, given the fact that he has quite explicitly ruled out any diplomatic solution to the problem, I suppose that he is looking for a reason to move [militarily], and I suppose that would be a reason." He says that we could move quickly because the troops are in place and the move could come as soon as Friday [today] if Saddam does anything. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/23)

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Mail Boxes Etc. (NASDAQ: MAIL) announced the following financial results for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990.

The company's first quarter revenues were $6,181,705 and net income was $793,489. This compares to $5,288,598 of revenues and $588,077 of net income for the quarter ended July 31, 1989. This represents a 17 percent increase in revenue and 35 percent increase in net income. Earnings per share were $.21 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, compared to $.15 for the same quarter ended July 31, 1989. This represents a 40 percent increase.

Mail Boxes Etc. is a San Diego-based holding company whose operating subsidiary, Mail Boxes Etc. USA Inc. (also known as "The Post Office Alternative") is the nation's largest franchisor of neighborhood Service Centers specializing in postal, business and communications services. At the close of business on July 31, 1990, Mail Boxes Etc. had 1,187 Service Centers operating in 46 states, plus the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico Canada, Mexico and Japan.

CONTACT: A.W. (Tony) DeSio, CEO of Mail Boxes Etc., 619-452-1553.

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#90236p8480 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Retirement Living Communities L.P. ("RLC") announced today that it extended to midnight, Eastern Time, on Wednesday, Sept. 12, its cash offer of $8 net per Beneficial Unit Certificate ("BUC") evidencing ownership in Retirement Living Tax-Exempt Mortgage Fund Limited Partnership (the "Partnership").

The tender offer and withdrawal rights, first announced on June 26, were due to expire at midnight, Eastern time Aug. 23.

Retirement Living Communities said that, as of 3 p.m. on Aug. 23, approximately 534,356 BUCs had been tendered, which is approximately 42 percent of the 1,264,000 BUCs outstanding.

RLC extended the tender offer to allow BUC Holders adequate time to review the latest financial information disclosed in the Partnership's second quarter report (Form 10-Q), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Aug. 14, 1990. The report reflects that income for the first six months of 1990 is $.02 per BUC.

The offer is part of RLC's previously announced plan to acquire at least a majority and no more than 60 percent of the outstanding BUCs, which would better equip RLC to proceed with a work-out plan on the defaulted loans owned by the Partnership.

The second quarter report indicates that four of the five mortgage loans have been in default since June 30, 1989 and unpaid base interest due to the Partnership through June 30, 1990 totals $2,679,276. It also stated that the Guarantors have not signed Certificates of Net Worth on the grounds that "because of the uncertainties and contingencies involved in the dealings of the Guarantors with the Creditors' Committee, it would be inappropriate at this time to deliver the certificate." The Guarantors further advised the Partnership that any attempt to collect on the guarantees or to foreclose on the Mortgage Loans at this time would necessitate their filing for protection under the bankruptcy laws.

CONTACT: Carol Erick of Capital Realty Group, 214-770-5600; or Brian Maddox of Georgeson & Company Inc., 212-440-9862

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MILAN, ITALY (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Himont Incorporated has announced today that Paolo Morrione has been appointed president and chief executive officer of the company by the board of directors, filling the role of chief executive officer left vacant earlier this year when A.F. Giacco assumed new duties which included an allocation of his time to follow other pursuits. Giacco retains his position as chairman of the board of

Himont.

Morrione, 52, has had a distinguished career in the Montedison Group, where he was president and CEO of the Plastic Materials Group from 1982 to 1984 and president and CEO of Montedipe S.p.A., the group's Petrochemicals and Plastic Materials company, from 1984 to 1986. In 1987 Morrione was appointed chairman and CEO of Erbamont Inc., the holding company for the worldwide pharmaceutical interests of the Montedison Group. Morrione will retain his position as chairman and CEO of Erbamont and will also supervise all Montedison industrial operations in North America.

The board of directors of Himont has also accepted the resignation of R. Michael Hendricks from the position of president and COO and has expressed to Hendricks its gratitude for his contribution to the development and success of the company since its inception.

Hendricks, who will take early retirement from the company on Jan. 1, 1991 plans to join Giacco in a new business venture which will aim to accelerate the growth rate of plastics in the materials industry through more effective design, fabrication and disposition techniques, in line with Montedison's interests in this field. This venture is expected to receive financial and technical support from Montedison as well as from other parties.

Himont is the world's leading producer and marketer of polypropylene resins and a major producer of a broad range of specialty composites, alloys and advanced materials. Both Himont and Erbamont are part of the Ferruzzi Group.

The Ferruzzi Group is a leading international industrial system, which operates through Montedison in the chemical, pharmaceutical and energy sectors as well as in the agro-industrial sector, with an aggregate turnover of approximately US$40 billion.

CONTACT: Guido Negro of Ferruzzi Group, in Milan: 011-392-6270-5627; or David Kronfeld of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Ferruzzi Group.

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#90236p8488 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - JPS Textile Group, Inc., today announced it has extended until 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Friday, Aug. 24, 1990, the expiration date, consent solicitation and withdrawal rights relating to each of the following:

-- JPS's cash tender offer for all of its outstanding senior variable rate notes due 1996, senior subordinated discount notes due 1999, and 15-1/4 percent senior subordinated notes due 1999, at a purchase price of $750,

$256.07, and $400, respectively, per $1,000 principal amount tendered;

-- its cash tender offer for all of its outstanding shares of Series A exchangeable adjustable rate preferred stock, at a purchase price of $10 per share tendered; and

-- its offer to exchange $1,000 principal amount of its new 6 percent (pay-in-kind) subordinated debentures due 1999 for each $1,000 principal amount of its outstanding 14-1/4 percent subordinated debentures due 2000.

Each such offer, which originally commenced on July 20, 1990, was scheduled to expire at 12:00 midnight, on Aug. 23, 1990, unless extended.

As of Aug. 23, 1990, approximately $1,600,000 in outstanding principal amount of the senior variable rate notes was tendered for purchase and not withdrawn, and no other JPS securities had been tendered pursuant to the offers.

CONTACT: Maureen Burgess of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for JPS Textile Group

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - QuesTech Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: QTEC) announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Engineering Resources Inc., has received a contract from the Naval Regional Contracting Center, Washington Navy Yard, for the operation and maintenance of various naval radio transmitter facilities.

The contact runs for one base year with three option years valued at $8.5 million.

CONTACT: Vincent L. Salvatori, president and CEO, QuesTech Inc., 703-760-1005.

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DALLAS (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Southland Corporation said today that its previously announced exchange offers have been extended to expire at midnight New York time on Wednesday, Sept. 12, 1990, unless further extended.

As of midnight on August 23, the following securities had been tendered: 13-1/2 percent senior extendible reset notes -- 89.9 percent, or $474,438,790 principal amount ($291,535,709 by guarantee); 15-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes -- 65.9 percent, or $230,533,000 principal

amount ($69,586,000 by guarantee); 16-1/2 percent senior subordinated discount notes -- 64.0 percent, or $257,646,000 principal amount ($80,358,000 by guarantee); 16-3/4 percent subordinated debentures -- 46.3 percent, or $231,482,757 principal amount ($76,888,757 by guarantee); 18 percent junior subordinated discount debentures -- 46.0 percent, or $33,685,000 principal amount ($9,802,000 by guarantee); and 15 percent cumulative exchangeable preferred stock -- 90.9 percent, or 12,541,745 shares (3,938,020 by guarantee).

Clark Matthews, Southland's chief financial officer, said, "We're pleased with the significant increase in the amount of securities tendered into our offers this week and the fact that we have exceeded our goals with respect to the preferred stock. We plan to intensify our efforts to communicate with those bondholders who have not yet tendered and expect continued progress during the extension."

Under the exchange offers, Southland bondholders and preferred stockholders are being offered new debt securities and approximately 25 percent of newly issued Southland common stock. Existing stockholders would retain approximately 5 percent of the company's common stock, and, following consummation of the exchange offers, Ito-Yokado and Seven-Eleven Japan would purchase 70 percent of the stock for $430 million in cash.

In addition, Southland announced that the special meeting for holders of its preferred stock was adjourned to 10:00 p.m. Dallas time on Wednesday, Sept. 12, 1990, at 2711 North Haskell Avenue, Southland's headquarters in Dallas. Recordholders of preferred stock as of the close of business on July 13, 1990, will be eligible to vote at the meeting in person or by proxy. If the exchange offers are extended again, the company intends to further postpone or adjourn the special meeting so that it will occur on the expiration date of the exchange offers.

This announcement does not constitute an offer to sell or to buy any security or the solicitation of any consents or proxies, which offers and consent or proxy solicitation shall only be made by means of a proxy statement/prospectus.

CONTACT: Cecilia Stubbs Norwood, 214-828-7272, or Markeeta McNatt, 214-828-7209, both of Southland Corporation.

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#90236p8494 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBORO, MA (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Data General Corporation (NYSE: DGN) today announced that it expects to reduce its worldwide workforce by more than 2,000 over the next several weeks. The company employed 11,700 at the end of the third quarter, which closed June 30.

"We have taken a series of steps since 1988 to improve our product position and better serve customers," said President and Chief Executive Officer Ronald L. Skates. "We now have the organization in place and the appropriate mix of employee resources to compete successfully in today's information technology marketplace."

As a result of this action, the company will record a charge of approximately $70 million against its fourth quarter, which ends Sept. 29.

CONTACT: Jim Dunlap of Data General Corporation, 508-870-8162.

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#90236p8496 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Wet Seal Inc. (NASDAQ: WTSLA), in its first earnings release as a public company, today announced a 91 percent gain in earnings and a 54 percent gain in sales for its second quarter, the 13 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990.

For the 13-week period, earnings totalled $2,271,000 ($.22 per share), up from $1,189,000 ($.13 per share) in the comparable quarter last year, on sales of $27,721,000, up from $18,057,000 in the second quarter of 1989.

For the six-month period ended Aug. 4, 1990, earnings were $3,391,000 ($.34 per share), as compared to $1,825,000 ($.19 per share) in the first half of 1989, on sales of $48,509,000, up from $31,675,000, in the first six months of the previous year.

Wet Seal also announced that comparable store sales -- those sales at stores that were open for the full prior fiscal year and which were not remodeled during that time period -- increased over the previous year's second quarter by 11.4 percent and by 10.5 percent for the six-month period.

For those stores that were opened for the full prior fiscal year, including stores that were remodeled, the increase was 18.6 percent over the previous year's second quarter and 16 percent for the six-month period.

Wet Seal opened a total of seven stores during the first half of the year ended Aug. 4, 1990, including two new stores that opened in the second quarter. The company ended the second quarter with 80 stores in operation compared to 68 stores at the end of the same period in 1989. Wet Seal plans to open an additional 13 stores during the remainder of 1990.

On July 3, 1990, Wet Seal successfully completed a public offering of 3,375,000 shares of Class A common stock, of which 2,875,000 shares were offered by the company and 500,000 shares were offered by certain principal stockholders of the company. The Class A shares trade on the

NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "WTSLA."

The Wet Seal Inc., headquartered in Irvine, is a specialty retailer of moderately priced, fashionable casual apparel for women. The company currently operates stores in California, Nevada, Arizona, Hawaii and Florida.

CONTACT: Alan Weinstein, CFO of The Wet Seal Inc., 714-583-9029.

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#90236p8497 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Price Co. (NASDAQ: PCLB) announced today that its board of directors has authorized management in its discretion to enter into market transactions from time to time to purchase up to an additional $50 million of any of its outstanding securities.

Under prior authorization from the board of directors (announced on Feb. 27, 1989), the company has acquired 1,447,500 shares of its common stock for approximately $52 million since January 1990. This additional authorization represents a continuation of the existing repurchase program.

CONTACT: Daniel T. Carter, VP-Finance of The Price Co., 619-581-4889.

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#90236p8499 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CA (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Archive Corporation (OTC: ACHV) today announced the resignation of Herbert S. Amster, senior vice president, Corporate Development and the founder and former chairman and chief executive officer of Irwin Magnetic Systems, Inc.

Amster became an Archive senior vice president following Archive's acquisition of Cipher Data Products and Irwin in April. Based in Ann Arbor, Mich., Irwin is a successful developer and manufacturer of computer backup systems and associated products.

Amster stated that he is resigning to have more available time to pursue his outside business and financial consulting activities. Amster serves on the board of directors at Jacobson Stores, Inc., TriMas Corporation, First of America-Ann Arbor, Xycom, Inc., Mechanical Dynamics, Inc., and Great Lakes Bidco.

Howard Lewis, chairman of Archive Corporation, acknowledged Amster's significant contribution to Irwin's success and expressed his appreciation for Amster's efforts following Archive's acquisition of Cipher/Irwin earlier this year.

Founded in 1980, Archive Corporation today is a leading manufacturer and supplier of data storage products to original equipment manufacturers and resellers. Archive and its companies offer a complete selection of drives and subsystems for economical computer data storage for minicomputers, workstations, multi-user systems, and personal computers.

Herbert S. Amster is senior vice president, Corporate Development, Archive Corporation. He founded Irwin Magnetic Systems, Inc. in August 1983 and was its chairman and chief executive officer until April 1989 when the firm was acquired by Cipher Data Products, Inc. He was senior vice president of Cipher until that firm was acquired by Archive in April 1990.

From 1980 to 1983, he had been executive vice president of Irwin International, Inc., a predecessor company of Irwin Magnetics that was engaged in the development of a computer storage device.

Irwin Magnetic Systems, Inc., a subsidiary of Archive Corporation, is based in Ann Arbor, Mich., and is the world's largest supplier of minicartridge tape backup systems for microcomputers.

CONTACT: D. Howard Lewis of Archive Corporation, 714-966-2222; or Douglas J. White of Irwin Magnetic Systems, Inc., 313-930-9000.

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#90236p8500 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELKIN, NC (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Brendle's, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: BRDL), an upscale discount department store headquartered in Elkin, N.C. announces today the Grand Opening on August 31st of its 4th store in the Columbia, S.C. market.

This new 40,000 square foot store, located at 254 Harbison Blvd. in Columbia, is the third new Brendle's to open in this market during 1990. Like the other two new stores, the Harbison store will feature the new raceway design for ease of shopping.

The Store Manager for this store is Mr. Stan Lazenby, who has been in store management for 12 years of which 4 years have been with Brendle's.

This new Columbia store will be the tenth of sixteen new stores Brendle's will open during its aggressive 1990 campaign, bringing their total to 59 stores throughout North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, and Georgia.

Brendle's, Inc. is a public company traded over the counter under the symbol BRDL.

CONTACT: David Brendle of Brendle's, Inc. 919-526-5600.

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#90236p8503 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
WARREN, MICH. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Army-Tank Automotive Command in Warren has established an Ombudsman Office to facilitate communication and cooperation with industry in order to improve the overall acquisition process.

As the personal representative of the Commander, the ombudsman will assist individuals or contractors who present a request for assistance in resolving any issue with the command in the broad spectrum of acquisition activities -- from pre-solicitation to contract award, to delivery, and final payment.

Contractors are encouraged to use existing communication channels such as responses to draft solicitations, bidders conferences, and direct contact with the procuring contracting officer (PCO). However, the ombudsman concept provides another alternative to address and promptly resolve industry concerns when such matters have not been satisfactorily resolved through currently existing channels.

The acting TACOM ombudsman is Annie Newell, 313-574-5274, or write to: Cdr U.S. Army Tank-Automotive Command Ombudsman AMSTA-CO Warren, MI 43897-5000

CONTACT: Art Volpe of TACOM, 313-574-5663

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#90236p8506 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
JACKSON, MI (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation's oil and gas exploration and production unit, NOMECO Oil & Gas Co., today announced it has purchased for $1.3 million a 12.5-percent working interest in the J.B. Levert Land Co. No. 1 well, Chacahoula Field, in LaFourche Parish, La. The well is operated by Linder Oil Company.

The well has estimated reserves net to NOMECO of 220,000 net equivalent barrels of oil. Additional drilling and development work is planned for the property. The purchase is effective June 1, 1990.

NOMECO is among the top 100 U.S. oil and gas companies in production and reserves and is Michigan's largest independent oil and gas producer. It is engaged in exploration and/or production activities in 14 states and seven foreign countries.

CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS) is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil

and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services. CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth-largest combination utility.

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of CMS Energy Corp., 517-788-2396.

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#90236p8507 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWMARKET, NH (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Vitronics Corporation (AMEX: VTC) announced today that Elliot M. Katzman, its chief financial officer and treasurer, will leave Vitronics Corporation on Aug. 31, 1990, to join Epoch System, Inc., a privately held company, as its chief financial officer.

James J. Manfield, Jr., president and CEO of Vitronics Corporation, said, "We are very sad to see Elliot leave, but wish him the best of luck in his new position. Elliot has brought alot to Vitronics Corporation in the past couple of years and we will miss his straightforward business sense. No replacement has been named and we will be reviewing various alternatives."

Vitronics Corporation is a rapidly growing supplier of state-of-the- art thermal processing and associated equipment, with an established reputation as an innovator and leader in the surface mount industry. VITRONICS(R)' equipment is primarily aimed at the huge electronics industry and has achieved considerable technical recognition in the production of printed circuit boards. The company also supplies equipment to the medical, chemical, pharmaceutical, plastics, graphics and textile industries. VITRONICS' customer list includes all 20 of the largest electronics companies with IBM, AT&T, Hewlett Packard, Delco Electronics, Chrysler, Compaq Computer and Motorola among the grouping.

CONTACT: Lise Waitt of Vitronics Corporation, 603-659-6550.

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AMBERGRIS CAYE, BELIZE (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Journeys End Resorts, Inc. (NASDAQ: JERIU) announced today that the company's revenues increased $177,139 (or 65 percent) for the three months ended June 30, 1990 over the same period in 1989 and increased $545,404 (or 73 percent) for the six months ended June 30, 1990 over the same period in 1989. The company incurred a net loss of ($199,430) or ($.09) per share for the six months ended June 30, 1990 over a net loss of ($167,140) or ($.07) per share for the same period in 1989.

President John T. Rietz indicated a major expansion program is underway at the resort, the leading upscale resort on the island of Ambergris Caye, Belize. The expansion includes the addition of 20 more hotel room units, a new large swimming pool with swim up bar and grille, entertainment area and a greatly enlarged kitchen and dining room. These improvements are planned to be complete by the start of the high season in December 1990. Since April, the resort has been able to offer 20 rooms for guest rentals due to this construction. Legal, accounting and related expenses involved in the public offering in 1989 and the World Bank/IFC and Development Finance Corporation of Belize loan facility in 1990 contributed significantly to the loss reported.

Rietz announced that the first phase of the World Bank/IFC/DFC Funding has been released. The total funding is $1,700,000 with $500,000 drawn down on Aug. 18, and the balance anticipated to be funded in the next 3-4 weeks. These funds will be used for the completion of the expansion program of Journeys End Caribbean Club which will make the resort the largest in Belize with 70 villas and hotel units and full services such as scuba diving, fishing, sailing, tennis, basketball, volleyball, nightly entertainment, etc.

Rietz announced that a major marketing program has been introduced and that the resort is now being represented by American Destinations, Getaway Vacations, Continental Airlines, Grand Expectations, Virgin Holidays, American Express Travel Services along with many of the worlds leading wholesalers, tour operators and travel agents.

The resort continues to be featured on "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous " "Golden Girls," "Arthur Frommers Travel Almanac," "SCUBA World TV Series " CNN, NBC, CBS and The Travel Channel. The Discovery Channel has just finished shooting two shows at the resort.

Rietz indicated with the completion of the expansion program Journeys End Caribbean Club will be the finest and only full service resort in Belize, offering a full line of activities and facilities.

Belize is rapidly becoming a well-known travel destination with special interest in SCUBA diving, snorkeling and fishing.

CONTACT: John T. Rietz, president of Journeys End Resorts in Belize, 501-26-2173.

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JACKSON, MI (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Patrick Petroleum Company (NYSE: PPC) today reported it has purchased for $1.3 million a 12.50-percent working interest in the J.B. Levert Land Co. No. 1 well, Chacahoula Field, in

Lafourche Parish, La.

The company said the well has estimated proved reserves net to Patrick of approximately 220,000 equivalent barrels, about 90 percent being oil reserves. The company anticipates bringing existing undeveloped reserves into production in early 1991. The purchase is effective June 1, 1990.

Patrick Petroleum Company is an independent exploration and production company listed on the New York Stock Exchange since 1976 (symbol: PPC). The company has interests in producing properties and undeveloped acreage in 13 states, including various interests in approximately 549 oil and gas wells located primarily in Michigan, North Dakota, Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana.

CONTACT: Phillip J. McAndrews or Skip LaRoe of Patrick Petroleum Company, 517-787-6633; or Woody Wallace of the Investor Relations Company, 708-564-5610, for Patrick Petroleum Company.

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#90236p8512 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AUG. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Guilford Mills, Inc. (NYSE: GFD) today announced operating results for the company's fiscal year and fourth quarter ended July 1, 1990.

For the year, sales for the company were $544,059,000 as compared to $619,663,000 for the prior year.

Before giving effect to the special charges noted below, net income for the year was $16,259,000 versus $26,273,000 for last year. After these special charges, the company had a net loss of $8,041,000 for the year as compared to $26,273,000 of net income in the prior year.

Primary earnings per common share, before the special charges, for the current year were $1.71 as compared to $2.67 for last year. After the special charges, the company had a net loss of $.85 per share as compared to net income of $2.67 per share for last year.

As previously reported, the company recorded a special charge of $39,000,000 ($24,300,000 after tax) for restructuring costs and other contingencies in the second quarter ended Dec. 31, 1989.

For the company's fourth fiscal quarter ended July 1, 1990, net sales were $157,653,000 versus $185,008,000 for last year's fourth quarter.

Net income for the quarter was $7,629,000 as compared to $11,672,000 for last year's corresponding quarter.

Primary earnings per common share for the quarter were $.84 versus $1.18 for the same period last year.

The board of directors declared a dividend of $.20 per share for the quarter, payable on Sept. 19, 1990 to stockholders of record on Sept. 7, 1990.

Guilford Mills, Inc. also announced today that its board of directors has adopted a rights plan designed to protect company stockholders in the event of takeover action that would deny them the full value of their investment.

CONTACT: Paul R. McGarr of Guilford Mills, 919-292-7550

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#90236p8516 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, FLA. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) today declared an eight percent increase in the quarterly dividend, raising it to 26 cents from 24 cents. The increase brings the annual rate to $1.04 per share, compared with the previous 96 cents.

This latest increase follows a nine percent rise announced in August 1989. The first dividend at the higher rate will be payable Sept. 14 to shareholders of record Sept. 4, 1990.

Harris Corporation, with worldwide sales of more than $3 billion, is focused on four major businesses: electronic systems, communications, semiconductors, and office equipment.

CONTACT: Jim Burke of Harris Corporation, at 407-727-9126

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#90236p8528 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) announced that Gardner Cryogenics, a department of Allentown-based Air Products and Chemicals Inc., (NYSE: APD) has selected AT&T's Definity(R) Communications System to provide telecommunications for its new facility at the Lehigh Valley Industrial Park.

Gardner has experienced rapid growth as a worldwide leader in the production of tanks and trailers for storing and transporting liquid helium and hydrogen, helium process equipment and vacuum-jacketed piping.

"Our need for increased space triggered a concurrent communications demand " said Tom Regotti, Gardner's manager of manufacturing engineering.

"Timing in this case was a crucial factor," he said. "AT&T pulled out all stops to deliver what we needed, when we needed it for our new location."

AT&T already provides a wide range of systems and services to Air Products units. Last November Air Products signed a three-year, $12 million contract to implement AT&T's Software Defined Network, a private long distance network linking more than 260 Air Products locations nationwide.

"We're delighted that Gardner has selected AT&T," said Dan Jackson, AT&T national account manager. "This is another example of our ability to deliver the highest quality products to meet the special needs of a critical customer."

CONTACT: Patty Timson of AT&T, (215) 557-4321, or at home, (215) 827-9015.

-30- 1607

#90236p8529 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Regal International, Inc. (NYSE: RGL) is pleased to announce that at its annual meeting of stockholders held in Houston on Aug. 22, 1990, the stockholders overwhelmingly elected Ruben Aragon and Vijay Dandapani as Class I directors to serve until 1993, John Dean and Robert Gist as Class II directors to serve until 1992, and W.C. Hatfield and Coy Ecklund as Class III directors to serve until 1991. The stockholders also confirmed the appointment of Coopers & Lybrand as the independent auditors of the company.

Regal International, Inc. is primarily engaged in the manufacture and sale of rubber products for marine and oilfield applications.

CONTACT: Dorothy Pohts of Regal International, 713-445-7700.

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#90236p8530 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MI (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Knape & Vogt (NASDAQ-NMS: KNAP) today announced that its board of directors has authorized management to repurchase, in the open market, up to $1 million worth of its common stock contingent upon market conditions.

Raymond E. Knape, chairman and president, said the board authorized the repurchase program because the company's stock is attractively priced and because of its confidence in Knape & Vogt's near- and long- term growth prospects. The board did not set a time limit for the repurchase program.

Including a 10-percent stock dividend payable Sept. 7, 1990, to stockholders of record Aug. 24, 1990, Knape & Vogt's Class A and Class B common stock outstanding together total 4,310,307.

Knape & Vogt manufactures wall-attached shelving, a wide variety of home furnishing items and also derives about one-third of its sales from drawer slides for kitchen and utility cabinet manufacturers.

CONTACT: Robert Bowman of Knape & Vogt, 616-459-3311; or Jack Queeney, 312-266-7800, or Kathleen Phelan, 212-661-8030, both of The Financial Relations Board, for Knape & Vogt.

-30- 1285

#90236p8531 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, COLO. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Jones Intercable Investors L.P. (AMEX: JTV), a publicly-traded master limited partnership for which Jones Intercable Inc. (NASDAQ: JOIN) serves as general partner, today announced financial results for its second quarter of 1990, which ended June 30.

The partnership declared a 35 cent per Class A unit distribution for each of the first and second quarters of 1990. The distribution for the second quarter was paid on Aug. 15, 1990 to unitholders of record as of June 1, 1990. In addition, the partnership has declared a distribution of 35 cents per Class A unit for the third quarter 1990. The distribution will be paid on or about Nov. 15, 1990 to unitholders of record as of Sept. 1, 1990.

Revenues for the three months ended June 30 increased 13 percent from $7,894,280 in 1989 to $8,889,469 in 1990. For the six months ended June 30, revenues increased approximately 13 percent from $15,388,650 in 1989 to $17,431,376 for the like period in 1990. These increases are attributed to gains in subscribers and basic service rate increases implemented in the systems in February and March 1990. Equivalent basic subscribers in the two systems increased 9,872 or approximately 9 percent, from 112,304 at June 30, 1989 to 122,176 at June 30, 1990. This increase is due in part to the construction of 68 miles of cable plant, which passes approximately 4,600 homes in the two systems, since June 30, 1989.

Operating, general and administrative expenses increased approximately $175,048 or 4 percent, and $941,369 or 12 percent, for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990, due primarily to increases in programming costs.

Net loss of the Partnership decreased for both respective periods. The net loss was $1,961,409 in the second quarter of 1990, compared to a loss of $3,379,907 in the second quarter of 1989. The net loss per Class A and Class B unit for the quarter was 23 cents. The decrease in net loss was due primarily to the increase in revenues and the lower depreciation and amortization amounts. Also, the increase in revenue was greater than the increases in operating, general and administrative expenses.

Jones Intercable Investors L.P., was formed for the purpose of acquiring, owning and operating cable television systems in the United States. It owns and operates cable television systems serving approximately 122,176 equivalent basic subscribers in Independence, Mo., and Alexandria, Va. The general partner, Jones Intercable Inc., is one of the largest cable television operators in the U.S., serving over one million subscribers. It is also the world's largest cable television management company, with cable operations in 20 states.

CONTACT: Jim Carlson or Nancy Reed Long both of Jones Intercable, 303-792-3111

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#90236p8533 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MI (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Empi, Inc. (NASDAQ: EMPI), a major medical device manufacturer, today announced the promotion of John A. Shipley to Vice President of Sales, a new position, effective immediately. As vice president, Shipley will develop and oversee all sales programs for Empi's core pain control products, as well as other lines the company is distributing.

In announcing the promotion, Empi President Mike Connoy said, "John Shipley's 13 years of medical experience and solid background in sales and general management will be a major asset in building on the sales momentum Empi has established over the past year."

Prior to his promotion, Shipley served as a general manager for Empi's retail sales. Before joining the company, he was president of Medical Express, Inc., a medical supply firm. Shipley has also held various sales and managerial positions with Chicago-based American Scientific Products, a division of Baxter International. He received his B.A. degree in biological sciences and his M.B.A. from Indiana University.

Empi reported sales for the 1990 first half of $7.6 million, up 27 percent from the prior-year period. Net income rose 88 percent to $416,000, or $.22 per share, from $221,000, or $.12 per share, in 1989.

Empi develops, manufactures and distributes biomedical devices, computer-based diagnostic systems and accessories for the physical medicine, orthopedic, rehabilitation and neurology markets. The company's shares are traded on the NASDAQ national market system under the symbol EMPI.

CONTACT: Timothy Briggs or Kay Full, both of Empi, 612-639-2330; Marian Briggs or Diane Rose, both of Padilla Speer Beardsley, 612-871-8877, for Empi.

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#90236p8538 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
MEMPHIS (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Promus Companies Incorporated (NYSE: PRI) today announced that Charles A. Ledsinger, Jr. has been named as its new senior vice president and chief financial officer.

Prior to his new appointment, Ledsinger served as the company's vice president and treasurer, where he managed all financing, asset sales, and treasury functions. He will retain the treasurer responsibilities in his new position. Ledsinger joined the company in 1978 and has held various management positions in finance at the corporate level and in its Embassy Suites Hotel Division.

In 1983, as the first CFO for Embassy Suites, Ledsinger established and organized the brand's first successful systems for accounting and finance. As corporate vice president he has acted as the company's chief negotiator in hotel asset sales and financings.

Ledsinger earned a bachelor's degree in English from the University of Virginia and a master of business administration from Memphis State University. He is a member of the Partner's Committee for Hospitality Capital Group, a partnership between Promus and JDC (America) Corporation providing funds for the acquisition, construction and renovation of hotels in the United States. He is also a member of the audit committee of Friendly's Restaurants, a trustee of the Promus Savings and Retirement Plan and a board advisor for Tennessee Restaurant Company. Ledsinger currently serves on the boards of the Memphis Concert Ballet and the Private Industry Council.

Promus is the parent company of these leading hospitality brands: Harrah's casino/hotels, and Embassy Suites, Hampton Inn and Homewood Suites hotels.

CONTACT: Ralph Berry, The Promus Companies, 901-762-8629

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#90236p8541 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
VIENNA, VA (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - GRC International, Inc. (NYSE: GRH), announced today financial results for the quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990, the company reported net income from continuing operations of $863,000 (10 cents per share), on revenues of $34,185,000. This compares with the fiscal 1989 fourth quarter loss from continuing operations of $1,838,000 (20 cents per share) on revenues of $31,039,000 and a loss from discontinued operations of

$13,750,000 ($1.56 per share), for a net loss of $15,588,000 ($1.76 per share).

For fiscal year 1990, the results were net income from continuing operations of $1,571,000 (18 cents per share), on revenues of $122,601,000 a loss of $3,500,000 (39 cents per share) from discontinued operations, and an extraordinary loss of $2,183,000 (24 cents per share), for a net loss of $4,112,000 (45 cents per share). The extraordinary loss represents the write-off of discount and issuance costs associated with the company's 14.3 percent debenture issue which is being redeemed. In comparison, fiscal year 1989 results were a loss from continuing operations of $2,059,000 (23 cents per share), on revenues of $129,258,000 and a loss from discontinued operations of $16,586,000 ($1.88 per share), for a net loss of $18,645,000 ($2.11 per share).

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Robert E. Wengler said, "Revenues increased throughout the year. We continued to reduce both debt and the associated cost of capital and are now able to generate earnings. While the present defense contracting environment is uncertain, we have a large backlog and are optimistic about our prospects for fiscal year 1991."

CONTACT: Philip R. Pietras, (acting) chief financial officer of GRC, 703-506-5000.

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#90236p8543 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Keene Corporation (NASDAQ: KEEN) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.06 per share of common stock to be paid Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: Frances O'Brien or Edward Utz, both of Keene Corporation, 212-557-1900.

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#90236p8544 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNT CLEMENS, MI (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First National Bank Corp. (NASDAQ: MTCL) has declared its regular quarterly cash dividend of 20 cents per common share, payable Sept. 29 to shareholders of record Sept. 11.

The corporation, based in Mount Clemens, is the parent of First National Bank in Macomb County and Bankers Fund Life Insurance Co. It has 1,208,786 shares of common stock issued and outstanding.

CONTACT: Lynda R. Thomas of First National Bank Corp., 313-465-2400, ext.

261.

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#90236p8545 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
MILWAUKEE (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - A. O. Smith Corporation (AMEX: SMC) today announced the resumption of its stock repurchase program which had been suspended in June 1989.

The company is currently authorized by its board of directors to spend approximately $7.5 million to purchase shares of A. O. Smith common and convertible exchangeable preferred stock.

CONTACT: Edward J. O'Connor, vice president of A. O. Smith, 414-359-4100.

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#90236p8546 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHEYENNE, WYO. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - With the help of an innovative refining process called STAR (Steam Active Reforming) developed by Phillips Petroleum Company (NYSE: P), Coastal Chem, Inc. is planning to enter the petroleum octane additive business.

Coastal Chem, a subsidiary of the Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP), has licensed the Phillips Petroleum STAR and methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) processes to economically produce MTBE, an additive for high-octane, oxygenated gasoline designed to reduce air pollution. The STAR process will be used to convert isobutane into isobutylene which will be fed as a raw material into the MTBE plant to be built in Cheyenne.

The company plans to open the 4,000-barrel-per-day STAR/MTBE plant in the second quarter of 1992.

Coastal Chem is the first company to license the Phillips STAR process. Phillips 66 Company expects its own STAR unit, presently being engineered for its Borger, Texas, refinery, to come on-stream at about the same time as the Coastal Chem unit.

The flexible STAR process can dehydrogenate light hydrocarbons (C5 and lower) to make, for example, feedstocks for MTBE or polypropylene manufacturing, and can dehydrocyclize heavier hydrocarbons (C6 and higher) to high-octane motor fuel blend stocks.

The Phillips Petroleum STAR process dilutes light paraffins with steam and utilizes a proprietary, but commercially available, solid particulate catalyst from a patented Phillips Petroleum formulation. The total reaction occurs in the vapor-phase over the catalyst in a fixed-bed, fired-tube reactor similar to a steam/methane reforming reactor in

configuration, according to Robert Dunn, Phillips Petroleum senior licensing specialist.

"This process works at relatively moderate temperatures (950-1,150 F), low pressures (under 3 atmospheres), and high selectivities to ultimately convert up to 95 percent of the feed isobutane to isobutylene. This technology also requires lower capital and overall conversion costs, compared with competing dehydrogenation/ dehydrocyclization technologies," Dunn said.

The unique STAR reactor design is compatible with both the isothermal process cycle and the requirements of cyclic regeneration, so that reactor operation is essentially continuous.

Coastal Chem now produces nitrogen-based fertilizers and livestock- feed supplements, carbon dioxide and low-density ammonium nitrate for industrial uses.

CONTACT: George Bukota or Tim McCormack, 212-221-2267, both of G+A Communications, for Phillips Petroleum

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#90236p8547 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - FFP Partners, L.P. (AMEX: FFP), announced that its board decided, at its meeting on Aug. 23, not to declare a regular quarterly distribution. The decision not to pay a distribution was predicated on the weakness in the company's earnings for the second quarter 1990. The company released information regarding its earnings on Aug. 20, 1990.

In making the announcement, John Harvison, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, said, "Our earnings for the first six months of 1990 were $100,000, about 1/3 of the amount reported for the corresponding period in 1989 and significantly below our expectations for this period of time. Although the company posted impressive gains in revenues, our earnings were negatively influenced by a contraction in retail fuel margins and significant increases in operating expenses."

He noted the increased expenses were primarily in the areas of salaries for store level employees, store supplies, and legal fees. Harvison added the company is addressing its expense problems by improving controls over store staffing to assure its outlets have adequate personnel to serve customers during peak periods while avoiding unnecessary staffing during periods of lesser activity, and critically reviewing all expense areas for potential savings.

Harvison also commented that the present uncertainties in the world crude

oil markets due to the crisis in the Persian Gulf were placing pressures on the company's fuel operations from both margin and supply perspectives. He stated this situation also contributed to the board's conclusion that it would not be prudent to declare a distribution at the present time. The company indicated its board would consider the distribution policy on a quarterly basis and expected to declare distributions at an appropriate level as the company's earnings and cash flow warranted.

FFP Partners is a publicly traded limited partnership which operates approximately 300 convenience stores, truck stops and self-service gasoline outlets in 12 central, southern and southwestern states. The company also engages in the sale of motor fuel on a wholesale basis to other motor fuel retailers and to commercial end users of motor fuels. Its Class A units are listed on the American Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Steven B. Hawkins of FFP Partners, 817-831-0761, ext. 267

-30- 2603

#90236p8550 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - First Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: FFUT) announced that it has received approval from its regulators the Office of Thrift Supervision, to purchase the retail deposits of the five Utah retail branch offices of CrossLand Savings, whose parent company is headquartered in New York.

Gerald R. Christensen, chairman of First Federal stated that First Federal will acquire approximately $69 million of deposits in CrossLand's five Utah branches, all of which are located in the Salt Lake Valley. First Federal's current banking operations include four branch offices in Salt Lake and one in Price.

The transaction will close on Sept. 28, 1990 and on Oct. 1, 1990 the CrossLand Sugarhouse, Cottonwood and Fashion Place offices will open as First Federal branches. Deposits in the CrossLand ZCMI branch will be transferred to the First Federal office in the Eagle Gate Plaza and the deposits in CrossLand's Dans Foothill office will be transferred to the First Federal office at 1442 Foothill Drive.

Christensen noted "CrossLand customers will be able to conduct their banking transactions at any First Federal office regardless of where the deposits are currently located." He said, "deposits will continue to be insured to $100,000 by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC). We are excited about the opportunity to extend the "Human Touch" service to the CrossLand customers and to welcome them to First Federal's family."

CONTACT: Richard A. Fisher of First Federal Savings Bank, 801-366-2202.

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#90236p8552 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced a change in the posted prices it will pay for crude oil from California and Alaska fields. Postings are increased by $2.00.

The change was effective yesterday, August 23 at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

for 35 API -- Cook Inlet -- $26.65
26 API -- Buena Vista -- $25.65
19 API -- Huntington Beach -- $24.05
13 API -- Kern River -- $22.00
27 API -- Long Beach -- $26.15
13 API -- Midway Sunset -- $22.00
17 API -- Wilmington -- $23.50

The gravity adjustment scale is as follows:

Above 40.0 deg. -- $0.000 per tenth degree API
34.0 to 40.0 -- $0.010 per tenth degree API
Below 34.0 -- $0.025 per tenth degree API

New prices for all fields are reflected in Chevron's California and Alaska Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-CA29. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Bonnie Chaikind of Chevron U.S.A, 415-894-1200

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#90236p8555 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
JACKSON, MI (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Consumers Power Company today declared regular quarterly dividends on all series of the company's preferred stock. The dividends are payable Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 7, 1990.

The preferred dividends are payable as follows: $1.04 per share on the $4.16 stock; $1.125 per share on the $4.50 stock; $1.8625 per share on the $7.45 stock; $1.93 per share on the $7.72 stock; $1.94 per share on the $7.76 stock, and $1.92 per share on the $7.68 stock.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

CONTACT: Paul Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, 517-788-2396

-30- 1005

#90236p8556 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FL (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - David M. Mann has been named senior vice president, Corporate Banking, SunBank, N.A. David comes to SunBank with considerable experience in corporate and commercial real estate lending. He joins SunBank from Chase Bank of Florida, Sarasota, and will head-up the Metro Group of SunBank's Commercial Real Estate Lending Division.

SunBank, N.A. is the largest bank in Central Florida with 64 offices in Orange, Seminole, Brevard, Lake and Osceola counties. It currently has assets over $4.2 billion and deposits of more than $3.4 billion.

CONTACT: John J. McGuire, executive vice president of SunBank, N.A., 407-237-5109.

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#90236p8557 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FLA. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Cheryl W. Finnegan has been named senior vice president/area manager of the South Central/West Orange area of SunBank, N.A. Her territory includes SunBank Kirkman/Conroy, Bay Hill Windermere and Dr. Phillips offices. Cheryl will also be the manager of the SunBank, Dr. Phillips office.

SunBank, N.A. is the largest bank in Central Florida with 64 offices in Orange, Seminole, Brevard, Lake and Osceola counties. It currently has assets over $4.2 billion and deposits of more than $3.4 billion.

CONTACT: John J. McGuire, executive vice president of SunBank, N.A., 407-237-5109

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#90236p8558 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FLA. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald L. Gaudette Jr. has been named senior vice president, Corporate Banking. Don joins SunBank, N.A. with expertise in corporate and commercial real estate lending. Formerly with Barnett Bank of Tampa, Gaudette will head-up the Regional Group of SunBank's Commercial Real Estate Lending Division.

SunBank, N.A. is the largest bank in Central Florida with 64 offices in Orange, Seminole, Brevard, Lake and Osceola counties. It currently has assets over $4.2 billion and deposits of more than $3.4 billion.

CONTACT: John J. McGuire, executive vice president of SunBank, N.A., 407-237-5109

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#90236p8559 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors Acceptance Corporation announced today a new special rate program, which features 4.8-percent financing on terms up to 48 months on selected 1990 models delivered by participating dealers to retail buyers through Sept. 26, 1990.

This special low annual percentage rate will be offered in the United States on the following 1990 models: Chevrolet Celebrity and Lumina (excludes APV); Pontiac 6000, Grand Prix; Oldsmobile Cutlass Ciera and Cutlass Supreme; Buick Century and Regal (1991 Sedan included).

In addition, the program includes 7.9-percent and 10.9-percent financing for 48 months and 60 months, respectively, on a wide variety of 1990 and 1991 GM models.

Buick Motor Division will offer through GMAC financing rates of 3.9 percent, 5.9 percent, 7.9 percent and 10.9 percent for terms of 24, 36, 48 and 60 months, respectively, on all 1991 models except the 1991 Regal Sedan.

William J. Lovejoy, president, stated, "The high-quality GM vehicles covered under this program together with low GMAC financing offer consumers an unbeatable, value-packed combination. There's never been a better time to buy one of these new GM vehicles than right now."

CONTACT: Hilary Spittle of GMAC, 313-556-1056

-30- 1426

#90236p8568 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Chesapeake Packaging Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of Chesapeake Corporation (NYSE: CSK), has named George F. Barnes president of Chesapeake Display and Packaging Company.

Chesapeake Display and Packaging Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Chesapeake Packaging Co., focuses its efforts on point-of-sale displays and packaging through locations in Winston-Salem, N.C.; Sandusky, Ohio; and West Des Moines, Iowa, and four assembly plants.

Barnes moves into this new position from the Sandusky facility where he was vice president and general manager. Barnes began his career in the point-of-sale industry in 1969, with the display division of Westvaco Corporation. The display division was acquired by Displayco in 1981, and

Barnes was named president. He joined Chesapeake in 1989 when the corporation acquired Displayco. Chesapeake's acquisition of Displayco created one of the largest companies in the point-of-sale industry with multiple manufacturing, custom packing and design facilities.

Barnes is currently serving as chairman of the board of the Point-of Purchase Advertising Institute (POPAI). He has served as a director and officer of POPAI since 1976.

"Chesapeake's point-of-sale displays and packaging business is a growing part of the Packaging Company," said Samuel J. Taylor, president of Chesapeake Packaging Co. "We will continue to concentrate on growing our market share and maintaining our leadership position."

Chesapeake Corporation is an integrated paper and forest products company that produces and markets kraft, tissue, packaging and treated wood products.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Colwell Industries, Inc., the Minneapolis-based color merchandising and specialty printing company, today posted a 25.7 percent increase in sales for the second quarter of 1990, but saw earnings fall significantly.

Sales for the second quarter rose from $10,954,000 in 1989 to $13,766,000 in 1990. Earnings, however, fell 77.6 percent from $558,000 in 1989 to $125,000 in 1990. First half results show a 21.1 percent increase in sales but an overall decline in earnings of 83.3 percent for the period.

Colwell President Thomas G. Colwell attributed much of he revenue growth to the introduction of ColorVision(TM), a computer color visualizer, which generated $2,650,000 in sales. Colwell said the product had created strong business from the paint industry and that the company expects to penetrate other decorating markets soon.

Colwell also said that slowdowns in home and office construction have hurt Colwell/General, Inc., and Colwell Merchandising, Inc., two company subsidiaries that serve the building products industries. He said that, based on incoming orders, he anticipates a strong fourth quarter after a weak third.

Colwell said the company is striving to improve earnings through cost-cutting programs, including workforce reductions at some subsidiaries.

COLWELL INDUSTRIES, INC. CONDENSED SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Second Quarter Ended		Six Months Ended	
	4/1/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net sales	$13,766,000	$10,954,000	$25,709,000	$21,235,000
Income before income taxes	208,000	931,000	239,000	1,479,000
Income taxes	$83,000	$373,000	91,000	592,000
Net income	$125,000	$558,000	$148,000	$887,000
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	1,191,128	1,193,381	1,191,174	1,193,492
Net income per share	$.10	$.46	$.12	$.74

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#90236p8570 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - McDevitt & Street Company, the Charlotte-based general contractor, and Bovis, Inc., a subsidiary of the British Bovis Construction Group, today announced they have reached an agreement in principle for Bovis, Inc. to acquire the stock of McDevitt & Street Company.

Bovis is the construction arm of The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company (P&O), based in London.

Capitalized at over $4 billion, P&O is one of the world's oldest, largest and most successful conglomerates. In addition to construction, P&O has interests in shipping, property, storage, and distribution and a wide range of service industries. In the U.S., P&O is best known through its company Princess Cruises which owns the Pacific Princess, better known as "The Love Boat."

McDevitt & Street, which has 1,600 employees and had $880 million in revenues in 1989, is rated as North Carolina's largest privately held company, according to "Business North Carolina." It is also ranked as the nation's seventh largest commercial, institutional and industrial building company. In addition, it is ranked as the second largest retail builder and fourth largest hospital construction company by industry trade surveys.

No details of the financial terms were released, but the transaction is expected to be closed in September.

In announcing the agreement in principle, representatives of both McDevitt & Street and Bovis cited the similarities between the cultures of both

companies and the reputation of each group for financial strength, for being client-oriented and for taking a long-term view of the construction market.

Sir Frank Lampl, Chairman of the Bovis Construction Group, said the agreement was a positive strategic move.

"This is an important and very significant move, both for Bovis and for our parent, P&O. It represents a major expansion of our activities in North America and further strengthens the scope and quality of our U.S. operations," Sir Frank said.

"Bovis already has an international reputation for its abilities in construction and engineering. That reputation is going to be further enhanced by the skills and resources of McDevitt & Street.

"In particular, these resources rest with the company's management. From the outset we have been keen to ensure that the managers who have done so much to establish McDevitt & Street's strong standing in the industry remain with the Company when it becomes a part of Bovis. I am pleased to say that they share our enthusiasm and are eager to join in the Company's future growth."

Luther Cochrane, Chairman and CEO of McDevitt & Street, agreed with Sir Frank's assessment.

"We are tremendously excited about the prospect of becoming part of Bovis and the P&O Group. They have approached construction on a worldwide basis much as we have in our areas of operation, relying on people strength, financial strength and a reputation for quality, on-time and cost effective performance to attract and retain a select group of clients. They take an extremely long-term and global view of the construction market and thier financial strength and worldwide contacts, coupled with their management resources, will give us new opportunities to continue to grow by offering more and better services to our clients."

He said one of the most attractive aspects of becoming part of the Bovis Group was that the firm wanted existing management to remain intact and to continue to lead McDevitt & Street. Continuity and stability, togther with financial strength, will make it easier for McDevitt & Street to compete for new work and continue to satisfy the needs of existing clients.

"We could not have found a better organization to join to assure us the opportunity to continue to grow, to continue to attract and retain the very best people in the construction industry and to continue to meet the needs of our clients," Cochrane concluded.

Bovis already has a presence in the United States by virtue of its

ownership of Lehrer McGovern Bovis, headquartered in New York and currently ranked fourth on the "ENR" listing of the largest construction managers in the United States. McDevitt & Street and Lehrer McGovern Bovis will continue to operate independently because of their different geographic focus but will work closely together to best serve their clients on a national basis.

Luther Cochrane will join the Board of Directors for Bovis, Inc., upon conclusion of the transaction. Sir Frank Lampl is Chairman of Bovis, Inc. and Peter M. Lehrer is President.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - A Gulfstream I Aircraft, owned and operated by a subsidiary of Rowan Companies, Inc. (NYSE: RDC), crashed on take-off from Houston Intercontinental Airport at approximately 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 23, 1990.

The plane was carrying 13 passengers and a crew of two. Both crew members and one passenger were killed. The surviving passengers, all members of Rowan's oil drilling crews, are receiving medical attention as necessary. The cause of the crash is being investigated by the National Transportation Safety Board and Rowan is cooperating in the investigation.

Rowan Companies, Inc. serves the petroleum industry as a contract driller, onshore and offshore in domestic and international areas and operates a fleet of charter helicopters and fixed wing aircraft. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange and Pacific Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: E.E. Thiele of Rowan Companies, 713-621-7800.

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#90236p8572 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, COLO. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Williams Controls Inc. (NASDAQ: WMCO) announced today its unaudited financial results for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990. Net sales for the quarter were $4,430,000 with net income of $268,000 and earnings per share of 2 cents. The company said these results were the highest for any comparable quarter since the acquisition from Dana Corp. in December 1988.

Williams Controls manufactures and sells a wide range of pneumatic, electronic and hydraulic controls for the truck, bus, mining, construction refuse collection and heavy equipment markets. The product lines include

approximately 250 different pneumatic products as well as specialized electronic and hydraulic products which are sold nationwide and in foreign countries.

WILLIAMS CONTROLS INC.
Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30, 1990	1989
Net sales	$4,430,000	$3,385,000
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of sales	3,278,000	2,707,000
Selling	133,000	215,000
General, and administrative	255,000	160,000
Research and development	148,000	124,000
	3,814,000	3,206,000
Interest:		
Income	(10,000)	---
Expense	209,000	251,000
Expense, related party	21,000	21,000
	220,000	272,000
Income (loss) before income taxes	396,000	(93,000)
Income taxes (benefit)	128,000	(24,000)
Net income (loss)	268,000	(69,000)
Preferred stock dividends	17,000	37,000
Net income (loss) applicable to common stockholders	$251,000	$(106,000)
Primary earnings (loss) per share	$.02	$(.01)

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#90236p8573 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTSVILLE, SC (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - F.B. Williams, senior vice president, has announced his retirement from Sonoco (NASDAQ-NMS: SONO) effective September 1, 1990.

"Ben has played a key role in Sonoco's growth during the 1980s and we appreciate the significant contribution his efforts have made to our company," said C.W. Coker, chairman and chief executive officer.

Williams, 60, joined Sonoco in 1980 as vice president-special products division. He was named group vice president in 1986 and became senior vice president in 1988. While with Sonoco he has been involved with all of the major operating divisions and he spearheaded Sonoco's move into the high-density, high-molecular-weight plastic grocery sack business.

He joined Sonoco from Smurfit Industries where he had served as President from 1976-1980. He was also a senior vice president with Horner Waldorf from 1963-1976.

In addition to his position at Sonoco, Williams has been active with the American Paper Institute.

A native of Hamilton, Ohio, he graduated from the University of Utah with a degree in banking and finance, and he earned his M.B.A. from Harvard in 1957.

CONTACT: Dick Puffer, Sonoco Products Company, 803-383-7425

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#90236p8575 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Klaus M. Zeitler, president and chief executive officer of Metall Mining Corporation announced today that the corporation's net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $5,053,000 or $0.13 per share as compared to restated earnings of $21,334,000 or $0.57 per share in 1989. Earnings for the second quarter were $2,887,000, or $0.07 per share, compared to restated earnings of $12,463,000, or $0.33 per share, in the comparable period last year. Earnings declined from 1989 levels due to lower copper prices realized at Copper Range and reduced earnings from Cominco Ltd.

Sales were $80,191,000 for the six months and $35,597,000 for the three months ended June 30, 1990. Sales were $41,351,000 for both the six and three months ended June 30, 1989 as the acquisition of Copper Range Company was completed in the second quarter of 1989.

Copper Range produced 46.2 million pounds of equivalent copper cathode in the first half of 1990 which was seven percent higher than the previous six months. Operating costs, however, remained high due to the increased underground development expenditures and high repairs and maintenance costs. The underground mine equipment modernization program has resulted in increases in mine production and significant productivity gains in the mining units which have been upgraded. The impact of these productivity gains will be reflected in the third and fourth quarters. Copper Range contributed operating earnings of $4,773,000 and $2,619,000, respectively, for the six and three months ended June 30, 1990.

The Ok Tedi project in Papua, New Guinea, in which Metall has a 7.5 percent interest, had a profit of $38,027,000 in the first half of 1990, compared to $18,472,000 in the comparable period in 1989. Metall's share was $1,719,000 in the first six months of 1990 compared to a loss of $156,000 in 1989. This improved performance was in large part due to the

consistent achievement of targeted milling rates of 75,000 tons per day in the first half of 1990. Total Ok Tedi production for the six months was 225,658 ounces of gold and 175.9 million pounds of copper.

On July 31, 1990, Metallgesellschaft Canada Investments Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary, redeemed its Class B preferred shares at a cost of $50 million. The redemption was paid from cash on hand which reduced cash to $112 million.

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#90236p8590 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Kinark Corporation (AMEX: KIN) announced today that it will allow Steel Partners, L.P. access to certain information regarding Kinark subject to negotiation and execution of a mutually acceptable confidentiality agreement.

Steel Partners had requested access to such information in order to determine whether and on what terms it might offer to acquire the company. In May of this year, the Kinark board of directors rejected an unsolicited proposal by Steel Partners to acquire the company. Harry Jones and Paul Chastain, co-chief executive officers of Kinark, emphasized that today's decision does not obligate Steel Partners to submit an offer to Kinark.

Kinark Corporation, with corporate headquarters in Tulsa, operates chemical facilities in Chicago and Montgomery, Ala., and supports industrial/commercial construction and metals corrosion protection with galvanizing plants in Denver; Louisville, Ky.; Nashville, Tenn.; St. Louis; and Houston and Hurst, Texas.

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#90236p8599 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, IDAHO (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - William J. Agee, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Morrison Knudsen Corp. (MK) (NYSE: MRN), today announced that MK has received a contract in excess of $91 million to manufacture 39 commuter rail cars for Metro-North Commuter Railroad of New York City.

The contact includes an option for the purchase of between nine and 18 additional cars and provides for up to $2.1 million for spare parts.

"We are pleased with this award from Metro-North, a repeat customer who is buying from an American-owned company," said Agee. "Our mass-transit operations are growing, and this order is another important affirmation of our strategy."

Manufacture of the cars will be performed at MK's Hornell, N.Y., complex and is scheduled to begin next year with completion set for early 1993.

The contract is the second for the manufacture of new cars received by MK, a long-time remanufacturer of transit cars. The company is in the engineering stage on a $208-million contract to manufacture 256 new cars for the Chicago Transit Authority.

Metro-North Commuter Railroad operates in New York and Connecticut and serves 100,000 daily customers.

Morrison Knudsen Corp. is an international engineering, design, environmental, construction, rail systems and mining company.

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#90236p8605 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIALEAH, FLA. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - S.O.I. Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: LAMP) announced the signing of two new major distributors of its Tempo/Infiniti lighting products. According to company spokesman Donald E. Courtney, deliveries have already begun on the large initial orders to Best Products, a large chain of catalog stores and Home Depot, one of the fastest growing chains of do-it-yourself superstores in America.

Courtney also announced that MagneTech Corporation (NASDAQ: TAPE), the company's 68 percent owned subsidiary engaged in video duplication had entered the entertainment duplicating field. Initial orders have been received from Quest Entertainment, a leading producer of full length motion pictures.

"Company-wide back log of orders at July 1, the start of the current fiscal year, were more than double those of any time in previous company history," says Courtney.

CONTACT: Donald E. Courtney of S.O.I. Industries, Inc., 305-835-2214

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#90236p8606 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - MagneTech Corporation (NASDAQ: TAPE) a rapidly growing duplicator of corporate training video

and broadcast quality 30- and 60-second spot commercials, announced it had entered the entertainment video duplicating arena with orders being received from Quest Entertainment, a leading producer of full-length motion pictures. The entry into the motion picture field will add substantially to revenues, according to Jack Brown, company president.

Earlier this year the company expanded its facilities and added new equipment in anticipation of the move into the motion picture industry. Brown stated "the association with a movie producer was anticipated and part of the company's overall growth plans. While our growth continues at a rapid pace, our adequate cash reserves and good profit margins help to ensure the future of our company in this expanding industry."

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#90236p8609 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Penn Central Corporation (NYSE: PC) announced an amendment to its previously announced offer to purchase shares of its common stock. Under the amendment, Penn Central is offering to purchase up to 10 million shares of the company's common stock at a price of $23 per share. The original terms of the offer had contemplated the purchase of up to 6 million shares at a price of $26 per share. On Aug. 23, Penn Central's common stock closed at $21-3/4 per share.

The amendment extends the offer expiration date and termination of the withdrawal period from Aug. 31 to midnight on Sept. 10, 1990. The offer is not contingent upon any minimum number of shares being tendered. The company reserves the right to purchase up to an additional 1 million shares of common stock if the offer is oversubscribed. Penn Central has approximately 62.7 million shares outstanding.

Carl H. Lindner, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Penn Central, said, "The revision of the offer terms was necessitated by the international crisis in the Middle East which developed after the offer originally commenced and the consequent deterioration in general market conditions, including the market price for the company's common stock."

American Financial Corporation, which beneficially owns approximately 34.3 percent of Penn Central's outstanding shares, has indicated that it does not intend to tender any of its Penn Central shares. If Penn Central acquired 10 million shares pursuant to the offer, the percentage of ownership of American Financial would increase to approximately 40.8 percent.

Penn Central reported that approximately 2 million shares had been

tendered through the close of business on Aug. 23, 1990 in response to the original offer terms.

Penn Central operates businesses primarily in the areas of industrial manufacturing, defense services, insurance and energy.

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#90236p8614 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEER PARK, NY (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard K. Nelson, vice president-finance of Firecom, Inc. (NASDAQ: FRCM) announced today that the board of directors have signed letters of intent to sell the Auth Division product lines together with related assets and a non- competition agreement. It is the opinion of the board that, in light of the rapidly decreasing revenues and increasing losses sustained by this division, this sale will best serve both the immediate and long term goals of the company. Closing on the sale is anticipated within the next two weeks.

The consolidated sales and net loss from the continuing operations of the company for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990 were $7,639,000 and ($160,000), respectively, as compared to $6,502,000 and ($199,000) for the prior fiscal year. The loss from discontinued operations for the same periods was ($1,088,000) and ($491,000).

The company has provided for a charge for the loss on disposal of discontinued operations in the amount of $1,765,000 in the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

Loss per common share data is as follows:

Fiscal year ended April 30:	1990	1989
Continuing operations	$(.06)	$(.06)
Discontinued operations	(.24)	(.11)
Loss on Disposal	(.39)	--
Net loss	(.69)	(.17)

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#90236p8615 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that the initial public offering of 16,000,000 units of beneficial interest of Salomon Phibro Oil Trust of New York City, began trading today. Salomon Phibro Oil Trust was recently formed by Salomon Inc to purchase a prepaid contract providing for the delivery in 1995 of

one-quarter of one barrel of light "sweet" crude oil per trust unit. The crude oil will be delivered by Salomon Inc's Phibro Energy, Inc. subsidiary.

Trading under ticker symbol SPO, the units of beneficial interest opened on 616,500 units at 4-5/8.

Phibro Energy's obligation to deliver the crude oil to the trust in September 1995 is unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by Salomon Inc. In September 1995, the trust will take delivery and market the oil, and then distribute the net cash proceeds to unit holders on or about Nov. 1, 1995, after which the trust will expire.

Salomon Inc is a worldwide diversified trading and financial services company and its Phibro Energy subsidiary is a global energy- related commodities trading company.

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#90236p8620 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines announced today it has placed its fifth Boeing 747-400 aircraft into service on a route linking San Francisco with Seoul and Manila. United has 10 additional 747-400s on order.

The airline also said it upgraded its Los Angeles-Seoul-Taipei service this week from three flights a week to daily flights.

United's fifth 747-400 is alternating with a 747-SP on the San Francisco-Seoul-Manila route until late September, when United receives its sixth 747-400.

The aircraft is configured with 36 seats in first class, 98 in business class and 244 in economy.

It is being operated on Flight 807 which departs from San Francisco, a major domestic hub and international gateway for United, at 1:15 p.m. and arrives in Seoul, a United mini-hub in Asia, at 5:25 p.m. the following day.

The flight departs from Seoul at 6:25 p.m. and arrives in Manila at 9:05 p.m.

Eastbound, Flight 808 departs from Manila at 9:05 a.m. and arrives in Seoul at 1:45 p.m. It continues on from Seoul at 3:35 p.m. and arrives in San Francisco at 10 a.m.

United's Los Angeles-Seoul-Taipei service being upgraded this week to daily flights has been operated three days a week since it was inaugurated in May.

Flight 851 departs from Los Angeles at 12:10 p.m. and arrives in Seoul at 5:20 p.m. the following day. The flight departs from Seoul at 6:55 p.m. and arrives in Taipei, another United mini-hub in Asia, at 8:20 p.m.

Eastbound, Flight 852 departs from Taipei at 9:50 a.m. and arrives in Seoul at 1:10 p.m. The flight continues to Los Angeles, departing from Seoul at 2:40 p.m. and arriving in Los Angeles at 9:45 a.m.

United flies more customers over the Pacific than any other airline and will offer 771 weekly international departures as of Friday. The carrier's international business in July was up 27.5 percent compared to July 1989.

United established mini-hubs at Seoul and Taipei this summer to take advantage of increased demand for intra-Asia travel.

From Seoul, United offers nonstop service to Manila, Taipei and Tokyo and same-plane service to Singapore in Asia plus nonstop service to Honolulu, Los Angeles and San Francisco in this country.

From Taipei, United offers nonstop service to Seoul, Tokyo, Singapore and Bangkok in Asia and nonstop service to Honolulu and San Francisco in this country.

CONTACT: Rob Doughty, 708-952-4195, Joe Hopkins, 708-952-5770, or Sara Dornacker, 708-952-6561, all of United Airlines

-30- 2714

#90236p8627 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeles Housing Concepts Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Angeles Corp. (AMEX: ANG), is expanding its sales and marketing staff to keep pace with its growing number of congregate-style retirement residences. Angeles Housing Concepts acquired three additional properties in July, and currently owns and operates nine of these communities with a total of 1,392 units in six Atlantic coast and Midwestern states.

William E. Tuthill, Angeles Housing's chairman, president and chief executive officer, announced that Stephen T. Morton, who joined Angeles in March as vice president of sales and marketing, has selected the first of a staff of regional sales directors to supervise the marketing managers at the retirement residences.

Prior to joining Angeles, Morton had been director of sales with American Senior Inns until that firm was sold. He has been a sales and marketing officer in the retirement housing field for more than 10 years, primarily in the Southern California area.

Carol Lee Thompson of Glenview, Ill., has been named the first of Angeles Housing Concepts' regional sales directors. She will supervise marketing in Angeles' retirement facilities now operating in Omaha, Neb.; Wichita, Kan., and East Lansing, Mich., and one scheduled to open this fall in Peoria, Ill.

Thompson has six years experience in retirement housing, as both marketing director and marketing supervisor, and earlier as a retirement. building manager. Prior to joining Angeles, she had been associated with ActiveLife Retirement Communities Inc., Chicago.

Tuthill said Angeles Housing Concepts is negotiating to develop new congregate-style retirement communities in Kentucky and South Carolina, and to acquire operating properties in other states.

Angeles Corp. is a diversified investment management company whose subsidiaries manage in excess of $4 billion in real estate securities, mutual fund and leased equipment assets for corporations, institutions and individual investors nationwide.

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#90236p8630 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Notice is hereby given that the board of directors of NOVA Corp. of Alberta (Toronto, Montreal, Alberta: NVA) has declared the following quarterly dividends, payable on the 15th day of November, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on the 26th day of October, 1990.

PREFERRED SHARES 7 3/4 percent Series, Dividend No. 67: Dividend of $0.484375 per share on the outstanding 7 3/4 percent Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares. 9 3/4 percent Series, Dividend No. 59: Dividend of $0.609375 per share on the outstanding 9 3/4 percent Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares. 9.76 percent Series, Dividend No. 57: Dividend of $0.61 per share on the outstanding 9.76 percent Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares. 7.60 percent Series, Dividend No. 52: Dividend of $0.475 per share on the outstanding 7.60 percent Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares. COMMON SHARES Common Shares, Dividend No. 113: Dividend of $0.13 per share on the outstanding Common Shares.

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#90236p8631 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDWARDS AFB, CA (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - A NASA F-15 powered by a prototype Pratt & Whitney F100-PW-220E+ engine has successfully completed a series of flight tests. The PW-220E+ uses new components and electronic control technology developed for Pratt & Whitney's newest production engine, the F100-PW-229, to improve the safety, operability and performance required of today's fighters.

This upgrade infuses the latest technology into the highly reliable F100 engine that powers all F-15s and three quarters of the world's F-16s. The F100 has set new standards for reliability, safety and durability in U.S. Air Force fighters and the 220E+ upgrade offers even further improvements.

"This is an important program," said Larry Ponder, director, F100 operations. "The PW-220E+ produces 27,000 pounds of thrust and will fit all F-15 or F-16 models, allowing the Air Force to improve the safety and reliability of older aircraft to a level comparable to that of the newest models. The PW-220E+ offers increased performance almost equivalent to the PW-229, which develops 29,000 pounds of thrust, at a fraction of the cost of a new engine. The PW-220E+ is doing extremely well in ground and flight testing and could be ready for production by the end of 1993, if an Air Force requirement developed."

Pratt & Whitney's Government Engine Business, based in West Palm Beach, Fla., designs, develops and supports military jet engines. Pratt & Whitney is a unit of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX).

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#90236p8634 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANOGA PARK, CALIF. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Bob's Big Boy announced today that it has become the first major family restaurant chain in the Los Angeles area to provide car hop service for drive-in customers.

Bob's Big Boy said it has returned car hop service to its restaurant located at 21222 Sherman Way in Canoga Park, Calif. The restaurant, which is owned by the Marriott Corp. (NYSE: MHS), hired seven car hopping waiters and waitresses who take orders from customers as they sit in their cars, and then serve their food and drinks on trays that hang from the top edge of car windows.

Restaurant officials said their modern day car hops have been trained by some of the original waitresses who worked at the same restaurant as car hops when it first opened more than 25 years ago. The staff will work rotated shifts between car hop service and inside service.

To accommodate the new drive-in trade, the restaurant's parking lot was repainted and re-striped to include new lot lines and identification numbers.

The growth of drive-in restaurants over the years, which were first introduced in the 1920s, paralleled the rise in the use of automobiles. In the 1960s, many drive-in restaurants were replaced by drive-through facilities as more and more motorists preferred to order their food "to go."

Greg Hernandez, Marriott Corp.'s director of field marketing, said, "Bob's Big Boy has always been an important part of growing up in this area, and the return of car hop service will give our customers a chance to experience for themselves what was always a fun and memorable way to dine."

Hernandez said the return of car hop service has become a popular feature of the restaurant, drawing large crowds at night and members of local car clubs on weekends.

He said people have reacted enthusiastically, and quoted one customer as saying, "I used to come here more than 20 years ago, and bringing back car hop service is like taking a pleasant trip back in time."

CONTACT: Mike Beardsley of Bob's Big Boy, 818-992-9657, or Greg Hernandez of Marriott Corp., 714-957-0142

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#90236p8636 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

VOORHEES, NJ (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Plasma-Therm Inc. (NASDAQ: PTIS) announced today that new order bookings continue at a slow pace.

The company attributes this trend to a slowdown in the economy and the resultant delays by semiconductor device manufacturers to purchase capital equipment for increased production.

Due to these current conditions and absent signs of an immediate industry rebound, management said it anticipates that sales and earnings for the second half of fiscal 1990, particularly for the fourth quarter, will be substantially less than the first half results. As a result of the second half decline, sales and net income for fiscal 1990 will not reach the company's projected levels.

In the meantime, management said it is closely monitoring expenses and has trimmed personnel to more closely match current production requirements. Concurrently, the company is vigorously working toward qualifying its products with new customers as historically industry slowdowns provide a window of opportunity to generate new business.

Plasma-Therm, headquartered in Voorhees, is a producer of plasma process equipment and radio frequency "RF" component products used primarily by manufacturers of semiconductor devices.

CONTACT: Dennis Dribin of Plasma-Therm, 609-767-6120

-30- 1472

#90236p8638 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Queen Anne residents well get a taste of free pizza and see a race for the "Quickest Cook on the Hill" this Saturday at the grand opening of the new Queen Anne Pizza Hut, 2231 Queen Anne Avenue North.

The event, which will last from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., will feature a pizza-making contest between local dignitaries, Chamber of Commerce officials, and Queen Anne's young future leaders.

They will compete in a race to see who is the fastest at putting toppings on a pizza. Once the pizzas are cooked, Pizza Hut will deliver the pizzas to worthy organizations in the Queen Anne area, as selected by the participants.

Also invited to the grand opening are officials from the Queen Anne Chamber of Commerce. Instead of cutting a ribbon to symbolize the store's opening, the officials will help Pizza Hut to slice a large pizza at the store's entrance.

A free slice of pizza and Pepsi will be available to each person attending the opening. A six-foot-tall "Doo-wop-a-saurus," a juggler, balloon animals and a clown will be on-hand to provide entertainment for children.

The new store will be the 68th Pizza Hut store in Western Washington. About 30 people will be employed at the Queen Anne store, according to store manager Aaron Greene. "Queen Anne has a lot of two-parent working families, as well as single professionals, so it's an area that would greatly benefit from a home-delivery store," Green said. "We're looking forward to doing business in this area."

The Pizza Hut parking lot will be roped off to provide an area for the festivities. Those wishing to visit the grand opening are encouraged to use public transit or plan on parking in the neighborhood.

In September, Pizza Hut will also open two locations in the Soviet Union -- a first for Western pizza operators. The two Pizza Hut stores, which cost an estimated $6 million, will serve an expected 50,000 customers a week -- seven times the number of customers of any Pizza Hut in the United States.

CONTACT: Mike Baird of Pizza Hut, 206-228-9740; or Richard Martin of TFB/BBDO, 206-287-0225, for Pizza Hut

-30- 2320

#90236p8640 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The shareholders of Univar Corp. (NYSE, PSE: UVX) today approved the nomination of N. Stewart Rogers to the Univar board. Rogers, a veteran of Univar Corp. who for 35 years has been an officer of the company, replaces Lowry Wyatt, who retired from the Univar board effective today.

Three other board members were re-elected: Richard E. Engebrecht, chairman president and chief executive officer of Momentum Distribution Inc.; Mark W. Hooper, president of Pakhoed Development Inc.; and Robert S. Rogers, president of LandsWest Inc.

In other business, Univar shareholders ratified the selection of Arthur Andersen & Co. as auditors for the fiscal year ending Feb. 28, 1991, and defeated a shareholder proposal to return to annual terms for directors.

CONTACT: James L. Fletcher of Univar Corp., 206-447-5911; or Leslie Lewis of Hill and Knowlton, 206-682-6944, for Univar

-30- 1075

#90236p8641 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Reading & Bates Corp. (NYSE: RB) reported a net loss of $22.2 million (61 cents per common share) for the first half of 1990 compared to a net loss of $19.8 million (86 cents per common share) for the first half of 1989. The 1990 period includes an extraordinary gain of $2.9 million (8 cents per common share) resulting from the extinguishment of debt at a discount. Results for the second quarter of 1990 were a loss of $7.4 million (20 cents per common share) including the extraordinary gain of $2.9 million (8 cents per common share) compared to a loss of $4 million (22 cents per common share) in the second quarter of 1989. The results of operations for the first half of 1989 have been restated to give effect to the restructuring and quasi-reorganization approved by the company's stockholders in August 1989.

Negotiations are continuing with the participants in the company's Master

Restructuring Agreement relative to a recapitalization plan in order to address anticipated cash flow problems arising from accrued interest obligations due Dec. 31, 1990 and prinicipal payments commencing in March 1991. In the abscence of a successful recapitalization plan or further concessions from its senior creditors, the company may find it necessary to seek relief through the Courts.

Reading & Bates Corp., a New York Stock Exchange listed company, engages in offshore drilling throughout the world and provides engineering services and equipment for water and hazardous waste treatment systems.

CONTACT: M.H. McMahon of Reading & Bates, 713-496-5000

-30- 1797

#90236p8642 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY, (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - GCI Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: GCI) announced that holders of over 85 percent of its outstanding common stock have approved its proposed merger with PG Acquisition Inc. ("PG") by a 99.89 percent majority of those voting at the special meeting of shareholders held today. No negative votes were cast. Under the terms of the merger, each share of GCI common stock will be converted into the right to receive $2.65 at the closing date. Closing is expected to occur on or about Aug. 31, 1990. Shareholders will be contacted directly by the paying agent with instructions for tendering their stock and receiving payment.

PG, a 90 percent subsidiary of TL Enterprises Inc. ("TL") is engaged in the sale of recreational vehicle club membership and related travel services, and the publication of recreational vehicle travel magazines.

GCI's Golf Card subsidiary provides to its membership, for an annual fee, the opportunity to play two 18-hole rounds of golf, without payment of greens fees, at each of over 1,660 golf courses in the United States and abroad and to stay at over 360 country club golf resorts throughout the United States at special rates discounted from the resort's regular golf packages.

CONTACT: Brad E. Libin, 800-453-4260; or Michael J. Berthelot, 216-566-9000 or 800-453-4260, both of GCI Industries Inc.

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#90236p8643 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Genetics Institute, Inc. (NASDAQ: GENI) announced today that it has received a copy of a Schedule 13D filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission from Baxter International Inc. (NYSE: BAX).

In this filing, Baxter has stated that it intends to sell all or part of its investment in the shares it holds of Genetics Institute common stock. Baxter may make the sales on the open market or in negotiated transactions depending on market conditions and opportunities for sale at prices which Baxter considers favorable.

Baxter currently owns 1,021,374 shares, or 7 percent, of the company's common shares outstanding, having accumulated these shares in a series of transactions dating back to 1981.

"Our decision to reduce our holdings in Genetics Institute stock supports our own financial goals," said Wilbur H. Gantz, president of Baxter. "The proceeds from the sale of stock will go toward reducing our debt. We have an excellent long-term working relationship with Genetics Institute and are especially enthusiastic about our joint efforts to develop and market Recombinate Antihemophilic Factor (Recombinant) for the treatment of classic hemophilia."

Genetics Institute is a leading biotechnology firm engaged in the discovery and development of human pharmaceuticals through recombinant DNA and other technologies. The company has a diversified portfolio of licensed and proprietary pharmaceutical products. The company's first product, erythropoietin (EPO), is being sold in Europe and Japan by pharmaceutical marketing partners. EPO, Factor VIII and GM-CSF have been filed for FDA product approval.

CONTACT: Melinda Lindquist or Clare Midgley of Genetics Institute, 617-876-1170

-30- 1919

#90236p8645 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Cargill's Nutrena Feed Division today announced plans to build a $4 million feed mill on a seven-acre site near Big Lake, about 50 miles northwest of the Twin Cities.

Dave Larson, Nutrena's president, said the new mill will have the capacity to mix more than 60,000 tons of animal feed annually and will produce bagged and bulk feeds. It will include a 7,500-square-foot warehouse and a 2,500-square-foot office. Construction will begin in October with completion scheduled for late 1991. The new facility will employ eight people.

"We will manufacture a full line of feeds for distribution to our customers throughout central Minnesota and western Wisconsin. Big Lake is in the heart of an important dairy and swine area. In addition, the close proximity to the Twin Cities and St. Cloud makes the location ideal for

expansion of our horse and pet feeds business," Larson said.

He added that the new mill will have access to excellent highway and rail transportation.

Nutrena Feeds operates 50 mills throughout the United States, including one other Minnesota mill at New Richland. Nutrena also conducts research on livestock-feed formulations at the Cargill Research Farm at Elk River, which is located near Big Lake.

CONTACT: Bruce Pankonin of Cargill, 612-475-6000

-30- 1506

#90236p8648 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PACOIMA, CA. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Preston Davis will assume all sales management responsibilities as vice president of sales for K-Swiss Inc. (NASDAQ: KSWS).

Davis, the current vice president of marketing, returns to head the sales department, a position he held from 1987 through 1988.

Davis will retain the position of vice president of marketing until that position is filled. He will head the team to fill the vacancy created by his move from marketing to sales.

Steven Nichols, president said, "Our company has grown and our commitment to service our customers has also grown. We could not think of anyone who knew our customers and sales representatives, based on past experience and success, equal to Preston Davis.

CONTACT: Jennifer Baier of K-Swiss Inc., 818-897-3433

-30- 956

#90236p8655 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANVILLE, VA (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Dibrell Brothers, Incorporated (NASDAQ-NMS: DBRL) in meeting held August 24, 1990 declared a quarterly dividend of $.20 per share, payable September 14, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: John Hunnicutt, Dibrell Brothers, Incorporated, 804-792-7511

-30- 508

#90236p8659 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed Ambassador Savings and Loan Association, Tamarac, Fla., in

receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, Ambassador Federal Savings and Loan Association, will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift and will operate in conservatorship under the management of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The receivership did not affect Ambassador's day-to-day operations. The institution and its branches will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action, which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

OTS initiated the action because Ambassador was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition in that it had insufficient capital, with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

Ambassador's condition is due primarily to excessive operating expenses, a high cost of funds, and a high volume of poorly underwritten commercial real estate loans made through the institution's building and development subsidiaries.

As of March 31, 1990, 28.5 percent of Ambassador's assets were composed of high-risk non-residential and acquisition, development and construction (ADC) loans. As of the same date, assets of $34 million, or 15.8 percent of total assets, were troubled, including $17.4 million in delinquent loans and real estate owned.

The subsidiaries, Ambassador Homes Inc. and Ambassador Capital Corporation lost a total of $11 million in 1989 and $5 million for the first six months of 1990. Net losses of the institution were $1.7 million in calendar year 1988, $13.9 million in calendar year 1989 and $3.9 million for the first six months of 1990.

Since February 1989, Ambassador had been operating under regulatory restrictions limiting its liability growth. In February 1990, regulators imposed further restrictions limiting Ambassador's lending activity to one-to-four family mortgage loans not exceeding $250,000 and consumer and home improvement loans not exceeding $25,000.

Ambassador Savings and Loan Association was a state-chartered stock association wholly owned by Ambassador Financial Group Inc., a holding company. Its common stock was traded over the counter. Shareholders will retain no interest in the new institution.

CONTACT: Patricia Forsyth, 404-888-5381, or Janis Smith, 202-906-6677, both of the Office of Thrift Supervision

-30- 2826
#90236p8661 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Penn Treaty American Corp. (NASDAQ: PTAC) today announced that it has authorized the purchase from time to time of up to 50,000 shares of its common stock, in open market transactions or otherwise at available prices.

The company said it has been informed that Irving Levit, chairman of the board, and members of his family may also purchase shares of the common stock.

The company said that the purchases were authorized because it believes the market price of the stock is less than the underlying value of the stock. The company also said the timing and the number of shares, which may be purchased each day, will be in line with SEC rules and market conditions.

General funds of the company will be used to purchase the shares for the company. Personal funds of Levit and his family will be used for their purchases. At the present time, there are approximately 3,218,448 shares of common stock outstanding.

Penn Treaty American Corp., through its direct and indirect wholly owned subsidiaries, is primarily engaged in the underwriting, marketing and sale of individual, fixed, defined benefit accident and health insurance policies covering principally long-term skilled, intermediate and custodial nursing home care and home health care.

CONTACT: Michael F. Grill, treasurer of Penn Treaty American Corp., 800-222-3469

-30- 1569
#90236p8662 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) has informed employees at its Dearborn (Mich.) Assembly Plant that the previously announced downtime will be extended to Sept. 10.

The downtime is necessitated by a parts shortage related to start-up of the new 2.3-liter engine. Dearborn employs approximately 2,100 hourly personnel and builds approximately 3,700 Ford Mustangs per week.

CONTACT: Joel Pitcoff, (313) 337-3753, or Jay Meisenhelder, (313) 390-5583 both of Ford.

-30- 669

#90236p8665 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Hallwood Realty Partners L.P. announced today that it is extending the expiration date of its exchange offer for limited partner interests in 11 Equitec Financial Group limited partnerships to 5 p.m., Central Daylight Time, on Monday, Sept. 10, 1990. The offer was previously scheduled to expire at 5 p.m. today.

Hallwood also announced that the hearing on the motion for a preliminary injunction in the litigation brought by Robert M. Greathouse et al. has been rescheduled for Aug. 30, 1990, from Aug. 23. Consequently, the consolidation of any of the Equitec Partnerships will not be consummated prior to Aug. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: James N. Fingeroth or Mary T. Conway, both of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Hallwood Group

-30- 941

#90236p8666 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARYLAND HEIGHTS, MO. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Edward D. Jones & Co. will broadcast, via satellite, a continuing education seminar for more than 9,000 CPAs across the country Sept. 20. The seminar will originate from the brokerage's St. Louis headquarters and from Washington, D.C. and be broadcast live to each of the firm's more than 1,500 branch offices across the country. On a local level, Jones' investment representatives are inviting area CPAs into their offices to participate in the seminar.

"We believe this will be the largest seminar of its kind ever," according to Connie Silverstein, the Jones principal in charge of the program. "In addition, offering such seminars locally makes obtaining continuing education credits convenient and economical for the countless CPAs with whom we work to help individual investors meet their financial needs."

All CPAs must meet minimum annual continuing education requirements to retain their certification. However, the American Institute of CPAs, which has nearly 300,000 members, recently increased its continuing professional educational requirements for members, which could account for the high degree of interest in this particular seminar.

The featured speakers are Mark McConaghy, managing partner of Washington National Tax Services for Price Waterhouse, and Carol Caruthers, the partner-in-charge of Personal Financial Services Practice for the St. Louis and Central region of Price Waterhouse. The broadcast will be interactive, allowing CPAs to ask questions of the speakers.

Edward D. Jones & Co. also offers a series of for-credit videotapes that are available for local CPAs to view at their convenience.

For more information about the seminar or the for-credit videotapes, contact Kathy Tobiasen at 1-800-766-1344.

Edward D. Jones & Co., is the largest investment firm in the nation in terms of retail offices, and it is one of only a handful of firms to serve more than one million investors. It's registered representatives sell traditionally conservative investments to individual investors exclusively.

CONTACT: Mary Beth Heying of Edward D. Jones & Co., 314-851-4258

-30- 2367

#90236p8667 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OHIO (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Waxman Industries, Inc. (NYSE: WAX) today announced that the Board of Directors has authorized the Company to purchase up to 750,000 shares of its Common Stock. The purchases will be made in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. The Company currently has 9.9 million shares outstanding.

Waxman Industries, Inc. is a leading supplier to the home repair and remodeling market in the United States and Canada. In the U.S., the Company's plumbing, electrical, and hardware products are sold primarily to home improvement centers, warehouse home centers, mass merchandisers, hardware stores, lumber yards, wholesalers and, through telemarketing, to more than 30,000 independent retailers, contractors and locksmiths. The Company assembles, packages and markets many of these products under its proprietary trade names. in Canada, the Company is one of the largest suppliers of plumbing and heating products, serving over 10,000 customers across Canada, including repair and remodeling contractors, residential and commercial construction contractors, and specialty retailers.

CONTACT: Armond Waxman and Jerome Jacques of Waxman Industries, 216-439-1830; or William L. Dupuy of Edward Howard & Co., 216-781-2400, for Waxman Industries

-30- 1488

#90236p8676 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. reported common stock earnings of $87,783,000 for the seven months ended July 31, 1990, equivalent to $1.07 per common share.

The total volume of gas sold during the current seven-month period decreased 7.4 percent from the same period last year. The decrease in sales was primarily related to milder winter weather and decreased usage by our commercial and industrial customers.

Earnings from diversified business activities primarily represent the results of operations of Constellation Holdings Inc. and its subsidiaries. Lower earnings from diversified business activities for both periods are attributable to lower income from financial investments combined with the timing of income earned from the alternative energy systems and real estate projects.

BALTIMORE GAS AND ELECTRIC CO. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Financial Information
(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

Seven months ended July 31	1990	1989
Revenues:		
Electric	$948,787	$837,448
Gas	257,304	269,521
Diversified business activities	48,250	36,578
Total	1,254,341	1,143,547
Net income	110,426	155,310
Earnings applicable to common stock	87,783	137,291
Average common shares outstanding	81,739	79,810
Earnings per share of common stock:		
Utility operations	$1.07	$1.54
Diversified business activities	--	.18
Total	1.07	1.72

12 months ended July 31	1990	1989
Revenues:		
Electric	$1,630,633	$1,478,157
Gas	399,583	399,715
Diversified business activities	84,713	59,904
Total	2,114,929	1,937,776
Net income	231,406	290,763
Earnings applicable to common stock	194,402	260,125
Average common shares outstanding	81,123	79,560
Earnings per share of common stock:		
Utility operations	$2.33	$2.96
Diversified business activities	.07	.31
Total	2.40	3.27

CONTACT: Charles J. Franklin Jr. of BG&E, 301-234-7433

-30- 2789
#90236p8680 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines today announced that it will implement a fuel surcharge of 5.3 percent on all domestic freight shipments effective Oct. 1.

"The modest charge is necessary to offset escalating fuel costs that

recently have risen sharply over previous levels," said Carl Norris, director of cargo. "Fuel costs are being closely monitored, and should prices decline, the fuel surcharge will be removed," said Norris.

Norris noted that the Oct. 1 effective date of the fuel surcharge was announced at this time in order to provide customers advance notice and the opportunity to plan accordingly.

A similar fuel surcharge is under review for international freight shipments, with an announcement to be made at a later date.

For the month of June, United's cargo ton miles increased by 8.6 percent over June 1989 levels.

On Aug. 1, United began offering air freight and passenger service to Paris with daily non-stop flights between Chicago's O'Hare International Airport and Charles de Gaulle International Airport.

Chief Administrative Law Judge John Mathias has recommended United Airlines should receive authority to operate daily non-stop flights between Chicago and Tokyo's Narita International Airport. Pending Department of Transportation (DOT) and presidential review, which is expected to be completed by Nov. 1, United plans to inaugurate Chicago Tokyo non-stop service late this year.

CONTACT: Rob Doughty, 708-952-4195, Sara Dornacker, 708-952-6561, or Joe Hopkins, 708-952-5770, or after business hours, 708-952-4088, all of United Airlines

-30- 1808

#90236p8681 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevrolet announced consumer incentives ranging from $500 to $1,000 on most of its 1991 model Chevrolet and Geo cars and Chevrolet trucks which are now reaching dealer showrooms.

The new incentives are effective Aug. 24 and run through Sept. 26, coinciding with the conclusion of current Chevrolet/Geo incentives on 1989 and 1990 models.

With all the incentives, alternate GMAC financing is available, ranging from 7.9 percent for 12-48-month contracts to 10.9 percent for 60 months. In addition, 1990 Lumina Coupe and Sedan models and 1989/90 Celebrity models have special 4.8 percent GMAC alternate financing available on 12-48-month contracts. On R/V pickups and Cab-chassis, 6.9 percent alternate financing is available on contracts up to 48 months.

Following is a complete list of Chevrolet and Geo incentives. New or

modified incentives are called out with an "a."

PASSENGER CARS

Geo Metro 1989/90 (excluding convertible)	$ 600
Geo Metro 1991 (all models)	500(a)
Geo Storm 1990/91	500(a)
Geo Prizm 1990	1,000 (+ N/C air or $500)
Geo Prizm 1991	1,000(a)
Geo Tracker 1989/90	1,000
Geo Tracker 1991 (2WD)	500(a)
Geo Tracker 1991 (4WD)	1,000(a)
Cavalier 1989/90	750
Cavalier 1991	500(a)
Camaro 1989/90	1,250
Camaro 1991	1,000(a)
Corsica 1989/90	1,000
Corsica 1991	750(a)
Beretta 1989/90	1,400
Beretta 1991	750(a)
Celebrity 1989/90	900
Lumina 1990	1,000 (+ N/C V6)
Lumina 1991	750(a)
Caprice 1989/90	750
Caprice 1991 (all models)	1,000(a) (was $500 on Classic)

TRUCKS

Astro 1989/90	600
Astro 1991	500(a)
(all-wheel drive regular and AWD extended models are excluded)	
G-Van 1989/90	1,000
G-Van 1991	500(a)
V Blazer 1989/90	1,000
V Blazer 1991	500(a)
Suburban 1989/90	1,000
Suburban 1991	500(a)
C/K 1500 1989/90 Pickup & Cab-chassis	600
(automatic transmission only; excl. 454SS)	
(manual transmission; effective thru 9/3/90)	
C/K 1500-3500 1991 Pickup & Cab-chassis	500(a)
(automatic transmission only; excl. 454SS)	
C/K 1500-3500, 1989/90 Pickup & Cab-chassis	400(a)
(manual transmission; effective 9/4/90)	
R/V Pickup & Cab-chassis 1989/90	750
R/V Pickup & Cab-chassis 1991	500
S/T Pickup 1990	1,500
S/T Pickup 1991	1,000
S/T Blazer 1990	1,500

S/T Blazer (2-Dr.) 1991	500
S/T Blazer (4-Dr.) 1991	1,000
Lumina APV 1990	1,250
Lumina APV 1991	500(a)

CONTACT: J. David Hudgens of Chevrolet Public Relations, (313) 492-8846.

-30- 3661

#90236p8682 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HANOVER, MD. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Crop Genetics International (NASDAQ: CROP) today announced that it completed the sale of 2.7 million shares of $.95 convertible exchangeable preferred shares underwritten by Lehman Brothers and Piper Jaffray & Hopwood.

The offering brings the total amount of equity raised by the company since its founding in 1981 to more than $60 million. The $.95 convertible exchangeable preferred stock is convertible, at the option of the holder, into shares of common stock of the company at a conversion price of $7.80 (equivalent to 1.2821 shares of common stock for each share of convertible preferred stock). The convertible preferred stock is also exchangeable, at the option of the company, for its 9-1/2 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2012.

John B. Henry, chairman of the board and chairman of the executive committee, also announced that Joseph Kelly has been named president, chief executive officer and director. Kelly has been chief financial officer of the company since 1984 and chief operating officer since 1988. "We have reached the stage of development where it is appropriate and timely that I turn over day-to-day operations to Joe and the rest of the management team and focus my energies on the longer-term strategies and goals of the company," Henry said. Henry, who co-founded the company in 1981 with Dr. Peter Carlson, has been chief executive officer and chairman of the company since its inception.

Crop Genetics International is an agricultural biotechnology company developing environmentally safe crop protection systems which reduce the use of chemical pesticides. The company's InCide(TM) Division is developing proprietary plant vaccine systems in which seeds are inoculated with genetically engineered microorganisms. The company's X-tend(TM) Division is developing broad spectrum weed control systems designed to reduce significantly the use of chemical herbicides.

The company's Kleentek Division has developed sugarcane seed products and has been marketing these products for the last four years.

CONTACT: Joseph Kelly, chief executive officer of Crop Genetics International, 301-621-2900, or 301-796-4633

-30- 2418
#90236p8684 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Reservists who are called to active military service won't have to make their consumer loan payments to Wells Fargo Bank until they return to civilian life.

Under the special plan, Wells Fargo Bank will defer principal and interest payments on all consumer loans for reservists while they are on active military duty. Consumer loans include home mortgage, auto, credit card and student loans and lines of credit.

"We hope this offer will ease the financial worries of our customers whom President Bush is calling up for active duty in the Persian Gulf crisis," said Carl E. Reichardt, chairman and chief executive officer of Wells Fargo Bank.

Applying for the deferral will be quick and easy. Reservists need only call Wells Fargo's 24-hour person-to-person service.

On Monday, the bank will announce the program in advertisements in 15 daily newspapers in California.

CONTACT: Kim Kellogg of Wells Fargo Bank, 415-396-3606

-30- 1142
#90236p8687 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
VOORHEES, N.J./ATCO, N.J. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Glendale Bancorporation (NASDAQ: GNBC) and New Jersey Savings and Loan Association (NJSLA) announced today that they have entered into a definitive agreement whereby NJSLA would be converted from a mutual savings and loan to stock savings institution, Glendale would offer and sell shares of its common stock to depositors of NJSLA and certain other purchasers and the newly created stock savings institution will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Glendale.

The acquisition is subject to a number of conditions and contingencies, including due diligence, the approval of the depositors of NJSLA, the approval of various regulatory authorities and the sale of Glendale common stock to NJSLA depositors and others in an amount adequate to capitalize NJSLA, based upon a final appraisal of NJSLA.

Glendale Bancorporation is a multibank holding company headquartered in Voorhees. Its two existing subsidiaries are Glendale National Bank of New Jersey, headquartered in Voorhees, with banking offices in Marlton Crossing, Voorhees, Evesham Township and Haddon Heights, N.J., and

Glendale Bank of Pennsylvania, headquartered in Philadelphia, with banking offices in Philadelphia and Delaware counties. At June 30, 1990, Glendale had total consolidated assets of approximately $242 million and stockholders' equity of approximately $13.1 million.

NJSLA is a New Jersey state-chartered mutual savings and loan headquartered in Atco, with banking offices in Atco, Sicklerville and Voorhees. At June 30, 1990, it had total assets of approximately $61 million, net equity of approximately $2.8 million and with capital ratios above those required by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA).

The companies believe that the consummation of this transaction will result in the expansion of NJSLA and Glendale and the offering of expanded services to their respective customers.

CONTACT: James M. Golubieski, executive vice president and chief financial officer of Glendale Bancorporation, 609-346-8400

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#90236p8688 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BENTON HARBOR, MICH. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Whirlpool Corporation (NYSE: WHR) today announced the resignation of Gerrit Jeelof from the company's board of directors effective Sept. 1.

On July 1, Jeelof retired from N.V. Philips, ending a distinguished 40-year career with the company. Prior to his retirement, he was vice president and vice chairman, board of management, of N.V. Philips Gloeilampenfabrieken, the Netherlands, and chairman of the board of North American Philips Corp. headquartered in New York.

Consistent with company policy, Jeelof submitted his resignation from the Whirlpool board of directors following his retirement from N.V. Philips. The resignation was accepted by the board at its meeting this week.

Whirlpool Corporation is the world's leading manufacturer and marketer of major home appliances. Headquartered in Benton Harbor, the company manufactures in 10 countries and markets products under nine major brand names in more than 45 countries.

CONTACT: Bruce K. Berger, 616-926-3315, or T.R. Reid, 616-926-3417, both of Whirlpool

-30- 1266

#90236p8689 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, CONN. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Barry Blau, chairman of Barry

Blau & Partners, Inc. (NASDAQ: BLAU) announced today that the company has reaffirmed its intention to repurchase shares from time to time and as business and market conditions warrant. Pursuant to authorization, which has been granted and reaffirmed by the board of directors, the company may purchase up to an additional 250,000 shares.

Blau explained that the company does not have a plan to purchase a specific number of shares within any particular period of time, but that the company would purchase shares on what he described as an "opportunistic" basis depending upon market conditions and price. To date the company has purchased approximately 130,000 shares.

Blau went on to say that he was making this announcement to convey the previously stated intention, and also as an expression of the company's confidence in its financial position and business prospects.

CONTACT: Fred Kaseff, chief financial officer of Barry Blau & Partners, 203-254-3700

-30- 1212

#90236p8693 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CONN. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Loctite Corporation (NYSE: LOC) announced today that it will purchase for cash up to 500,000 shares of the company's outstanding common stock from time to time at prevailing market prices whenever it considers those prices to be financially attractive and prudent.

The company took note of the recent drop in price of its stock from a high of over 60 to its current level in the mid-40s, occasioned by a generally down market and worrisome international and financial events. The company is taking this action in the belief that its results and fundamentals have rarely been better than they are today.

Loctite Corporation, a worldwide, market-driven specialty chemical company ranks among the leading suppliers of proprietary high- performance adhesives, sealants, coatings, specialized brand-name chemicals, and electroluminescent lamps and lighting systems. Principal markets include industrial, electronics, specialized medical, professional automotive and consumer.

CONTACT: Western A. Todd of Loctite, 203-520-5059

-30- 1230

#90236p8694 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Society Bank has established a toll-free number to help its customers in the Army, Navy, Marine and Air

Force reserves called to active duty as a result of the Middle East crisis.

Customers may contact Society from anywhere in the United States by calling 800-362-9936 and asking for extension 5850. Society customer representatives are available to take calls from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern time Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.

Those serving in the reserve may have questions about how the Soldiers and Sailors Relief Act of 1940 governs the financial obligations of those called to active military and naval duty.

"Society Bank staunchly supports the men and women serving our country and stands ready to respond to their questions about their personal finances," said Stephen E. Wall, executive vice president of Society Corporation (NASDAQ: SOCI) and head of its Retail Banking Center.

Society Corporation, one of the largest bank holding companies in the Midwest with assets of $15.6 billion at June 30, has banks in Ohio, Michigan and Indiana. Among the consumer products offered by Society Banks are installment loans, Visa and MasterCard lines of credit, and home mortgages.

CONTACT: Dennis LaRue, 216-689-3647, or Joan Williams, 419-259-8499, both of Society Corporation

-30- 1564

#90236p8696 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - W. R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA) today announced that it is consolidating its biocontrol research programs to its Washington Research Center in Columbia, Md. Grace's research efforts in biocontrol are aimed at developing biopesticides for the control of major plant diseases.

The company is combining the biocontrol research work of its Agracetus subsidiary based in Middleton, Wis. with the ongoing program at its research division. Members of the Wisconsin group will be relocating to the Grace Washington Research Center.

According to Francois P. van Remoortere, president of the research division, "These programs had been instituted independently, but were developing complementary technologies and targeted products. This integration of programs will enhance Grace's technical capabilities in biocontrol."

Grace has been conducting research in the area of biocontrol since 1986 and has developed several products in this area, including a soil inoculant fungicide that could replace hazardous chemical pesticides.

Grace is also involved in several joint development programs with the U.S. Department of Agriculture and several biotechnology companies.

CONTACT: Chris Tofalli of W. R. Grace, 212-819-6000

-30- 1436

#90236p8702 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Advanced Medical Technologies Inc. (AMEX: AMA) today announced its second quarter results. The company, which acquired Imed in April, had sales of $25.4 million and a net loss of $7.4 million (63 cents per share) including a non-recurring charge of $1.9 million ($.16 per share) resulting from the conversion of the subordinated debentures at the Imed closing and other transaction expenses.

Richard Propper, chairman and chief executive, indicated that the losses for the second quarter were in line with expectations. He emphasized that due to the timing of the acquisition, the results are not reflective of ongoing operations as they include only 60 days of Imed's international operations and 78 days of Imed's domestic operations.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF LOSS
(Unaudited)
(in thousands, except per share data)

	For the six months ended June 30		For the three months ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$ 25,413	--	$ 25,413	--
(Loss) from operations	(4,841)	(5,463)	(2,435)	(3,365)
Interest income (expense)	(3,795)	(339)	(3,569)	(172)
Other income (expense)	(534)	1,162	(687)	1,106
Loss before taxes and minority interest	(9,170)	(4,640)	(6,691)	(2,431)
Taxes on income	333	44	333	44
Net Loss	(9,166)	(4,684)	(6,687)	(2,475)
Dividends on preferred stock	1,547	800	767	767
Net loss applicable to common stock	(10,713)	(5,484)	(7,454)	(3,242)
Net loss per common share (i)	($0.96)	($0.81)	($0.63)	($0.30)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	11,142	6,806	11,788	10,639

(i) Based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding,

CONTACT: Stanley S. Anders III of Advanced Medical Technologies Inc., 415-291-8801

-30- 2476

#90236p8705 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

YPSILANTI, MI (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Flagship Express, Inc. (NASDAQ: FLAXC) has announced results for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported revenue from continuing operations of $25.7 million and a net loss per share of $(0.05). Flagship's continuing operations consist of the results of Rosenbalm Aviation, Inc., its 90-percent-owned subsidiary and only operating entity.

Rosenbalm was acquired by Flagship in December 1989, and therefore, Flagship's 1990 results are not comparable to 1989. Revenue from continuing operations for the six-month period was $25.7 million and operating profit before interest expense from continuing operations was $2.7 million. Rosenbalm's revenue and operating profit before interest expense for the six-month period ended June 30, 1989, were $26.8 million and $6.1 million, respectively.

The period to period decline in revenue was principally due to lower levels of international aircraft operation and a reduced volume of maintenance activity. The period to period decline in operating profit before interest expense was due to a combination of lower revenues and increased operating and general and administrative expenses.

As previously announced, a substantially new management team led by Judith Rogala joined Flagship on Aug. 1, 1990.

"We have assembled an outstanding team of experienced professionals in the aviation industry," Rogala said.

"For the first time in company history, we now have a sales force actively pursuing additional aircraft operation and maintenance opportunities. We expect this effort to reverse our decline in revenues and boost our quality service. Earnier this month, the company began operating an additional aircraft for one of our major customers and expects to continue to add aircraft in the future.

"Our new management team also is investigating new sources of revenue and profit available through diversification and we are implementing improved quality control measures that we expect to bring our expenses to appropriate levels."

Flagship Express, through its subsidiary, Rosenbalm Aviation, is a worldwide aviation services company with the capabilities to operate and

maintain cargo and passenger aircraft.

CONTACT: Wayne Dunham or Janet Diederichs of Janet Diederichs & Associates, 312-346-7886, for Flagship Express

-30- 2571

#90236p8706 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PONTIAC, MICH. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Pontiac Division has announced its 1991 model customer incentive program. All 1991 model Pontiacs are eligible for cash incentives ranging from $500 to $1,000. As an alternative, GMAC financing of 7.9 percent A.P.R., up to 48 months or 10.9 percent A.P.R. financing, up to 60 months, is available.

The new program is effective Aug. 24 through Sept. 26, 1990. In addition to the incentives on 1991 models, a previously announced rebate program, which continues through Sept. 26, is available on all 1990 Pontiacs.

The incentive amounts for 1991 models follow:

1991 Model	$ Incentive Amount
LeMans	750
Sunbird	500
Grand Am(a)	500/750
Firebird	1,000
6000	750
Grand Prix	750
Bonneville	500
Trans Sport	500

(a) -- $500 incentive for Grand Am base models; $750 for LE and SE models.

CONTACT: Reg Harris of Pontiac Division, 313-857-1572

-30- 1398

#90236p8711 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - LL&E Royalty Trust (NYSE: LRT) today announced that its monthly distribution to unit holders will be made on Sept. 15, 1990, to unit holders of record on Sept. 5, 1990. This distribution represents amounts payable to the trust with respect to production for the month of June 1990.

The total amount of the September distribution will be $382,114 or approximately $.02012 per unit. This distribution was adversely affected by reduced production at the Jay Field and South Pass 89 properties due primarily to repair and maintenance activities. Lower prices recorded in June also contributed to the decline from the prior month. In addition, this distribution includes no proceeds from offshore Louisiana due

primarily to increased capital expenditures at one offshore property. Due to the nature and timing of operating and capital projects, along with monthly production fluctuations, this distribution is not necessarily indicative of future monthly distributions.

As previously announced, the working interest owner has begun to escrow amounts for the Fort Worth Basin property in connection with the issue of recapture of intangible drilling and development costs under Section 1254 of the Internal Revenue Code. The trust's interest in the amount escrowed from the current month's distribution and the cumulative balance of such are $8,095.94 and $517,891.23 respectively. As stated last month, pending the possible appeal by the IRS of the previously announced favorable ruling rendered by the United States Tax Court on the Section 1254 issue, the working interest owner has made no decision on whether and when these amounts will be released from escrow.

The working interest owner has determined under the terms of the trust documents that it is eligible to escrow funds from all trust properties for the 1254 recapture issue. However, it has advised the trustee that it does not intend to exercise its rights to escrow funds, other than for the Fort Worth Basin, for this issue for the September 1990 distribution. However, the working interest owner intends to continue to monitor its estimates of relevant factors in order to evaluate the necessity of escrowing funds for this issue on an ongoing basis. The working interest owner is under no obligation to give any advance notice to the trustee or the unit holders in the event it determines that funds should be escrowed. If the working interest owner does begin to escrow such funds with respect to the productive properties, other than Fort Worth Basin, the effect on royalties paid to the trust would be significant, and in certain circumstances could eliminate distributions for a period of time.

CONTACT: Roark Ashie of First City, Texas-Houston, N.A., 713-658-7639, for LL&E Royalty Trust

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#90236p8726 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

LINDENHURST, N.Y. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard E. Smith, chairman and CEO of Steve's Homemade Ice Cream, Inc. (NASDAQ: STVEA), today announced the company's financial results for the second quarter of 1990.

Steve's reported revenues for the 13 weeks ended June 30, 1990 of $6,814,000 as compared to $8,919,000 for the 13 weeks ended July 1, 1989. The decline in revenues is attributable to the inventory control program of a major user, a temporary disruption in the company's distribution network and soon-to-be resolved dispute with a major area developer and licensee.

Net loss for the 13 weeks ended June 30, 1990, was $86,000 as compared to net income of $531,000 for the 13 weeks ended July 1, 1989. The net loss for the second quarter is primarily attributable to the reduction in revenues, as described above, and to the company's continued above-normal advertising expenditures. During the second quarter of 1990, the company expended approximately $611,000 more for advertising (in connection with the introduction of Steve's Gourmet Light) than in the comparable period in 1989.

Revenues for the 26 weeks ended June 30, 1990, decreased to $13,952,000 from $16,420,000 for the comparable period in 1989. The decline in revenues was primarily due to a decline in sales attributable to the inventory control program of a major user and the soon-to-be resolved dispute with a major area developer and licensee, and a temporary disruption of the California and Florida distribution networks.

The company experienced a net loss of $7,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $176,000) for the 26 weeks ended June 30, 1990, as compared to net income of $909,000 for the 26 weeks ended July 1, 1989. This reduction was primarily attributable to the decline in revenues as stated above, and an increase of $1,247,000 in advertising and promotion expenses for the 26 weeks ended June 30, 1990, as compared to the expenditures during the 26 weeks ended July 1, 1989. The increase in these expenses related to the continued introduction of Steve's gourmet Light into new markets. Management said it believes that these promotional expenditures in connection with the introduction of Steve's Gourmet Light are necessary to the future long-term growth and profitability of the company.

Steve's Homemade Ice Cream, Inc. markets Steve's Super Premium and Swensen's ice cream in 36 states and the District of Columbia and franchises and licenses more than 450 ice cream shops and family restaurants in the United States and 16 foreign countries.

STEVE'S HOMEMADE ICE CREAM, INC.

Periods ended:	13 weeks		26 weeks	
	6/30/90	7/1/89	6/30/90	7/1/89
Revenues	$6,814,000	$8,919,000	$13,952,000	$16,420,000
Inc. (loss) from cont. opers. bef. extraordinary item	(86,000)	531,000	(183,000)	909,000
Extraordinary item:				
Gain from extinguishment of debt - non-taxable	--	--	176,000	--
Net income (loss)	(86,000)	531,000	(7,000)	909,000
Earns. per common share:				
Inc. (loss) from continuing opers.	$(.01)	$.04	$(.01)	$.07
Gain from				

extinguishment of debt	--	--	.01	--
Net income (loss)	(.01)	.04	.00	.07

CONTACT: Gary P. Stevens, president of Steve's Homemade Ice Cream, 516-884-5656

-30- 3689

#90236p8728 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN MANUEL, ARIZ. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Magma Copper Co. (AMEX: MCU), as of Aug. 22, 1990, has repaid its full outstanding bank debt which was $32.2 million at June 30, 1990. The term debt was a part of a credit agreement with a group of banks led by Continental Bank N.A., Chicago, and National Westminster Bank plc, as co-agents, which began on Nov. 30, 1988, at $100 million.

The payment leaves Magma with approximately $362 million in unsecured long-term debt with no maturities until Dec. 31, 1992, and more than $100 million in cash. "We believe this milestone further demonstrates Magma's continuing evolution from a highly leveraged, high cost producer to a stable and highly profitable company," said J. Burgess Winter, Magma president and chief executive officer.

The remaining long-term debt is primarily composed of Copper Interest-Indexed Senior Subordinated Notes due 1998 in the amount of $210 million (AMEX: MCU.c) and Subordinated Reset Debentures due June 15, 2001, in the amount of $100 million (AMEX: MCU.d).

Magma is a leading copper producer with underground and open pit mines at San Manuel, Miami and Superior, Ariz., as well as solvent-extraction electrowinning plants, a smelter, electrolytic refinery and continuous cast rod plant.

CONTACT: Frank Harris, 602-385-3256 or 602-825-9660, or Richard P. Johnson, corporate treasurer, 602-385-3460, both of Magma Copper Co.

-30- 1570

#90236p8730 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (NYSE: CHV) announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $3.25 per barrel was effective yesterday, Aug. 23, at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$30.25 for West Texas Intermediate
$28.25 for West Texas Sour
$30.25 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore)

New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E43. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90236p8742 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Citing higher gross profits from breeding herd and genetics sales, Granada BioSciences Inc. (AMEX: GBI) today reported further narrowing of its losses for the second quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

"The improvement in the company's results is attributable to increased sales of higher margin genetic products and livestock reproductive services, the company's core businesses," David G. Eller, chairman and chief executive officer said.

The second quarter net loss was $1,812,000, or 26 cents per share, a more than 53 percent improvement over the net loss of $3,885,000, or 73 cents per share for the 1989 second quarter. Revenues for the 1990 quarter were $5,985,000, up 30 percent from revenues of $4,619,000 in the second quarter of 1989.

The 1989 quarterly per share amount was based on 5,300,000 average outstanding common shares. The 1990 quarterly per share amount was based on an increased 6,883,000 average outstanding common shares, due to a corporate restructuring last January.

For the six-month period, the company had a net loss of $5,165,000, or 78 cents per share, down from the net loss of $7,733,000, or $1.46 per share, in the first half of 1989. Revenues for the first half of 1990 were $8,667,000, an 11 percent increase over revenues of $7,815,000 in the 1989 period.

Granada BioSciences has working capital of $7,715,000 at June 30, 1990, compared with $5,701,000, at Dec. 31, 1989. The company's current ratio was 2.58 to 1 and shareholders' equity was $34,406,000, a 12 percent improvement from shareholders' equity of $30,818,000 at Dec. 31, 1989.

Granada BioSciences is a biotechnology and genetic engineering company which focuses its technologies on improving the quality of food products.

It is a leading supplier of genetic products and reproductive technical services, including embryo cloning and transfer and sire services to both domestic and international customers in the food animal industry.

CONTACT: Nancy Hudgins of Granada BioSciences Inc., 713-977-7000

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#90236p8743 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH ANDOVER, MASS. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Software Services of America Inc. (NASDAQ: SSOA) today reported recent changes in its board of directors and financial management personnel. The company reported that Earl J. Johnson, a former employee of the company and the principal of a regional beverage company, has been elected to the board of directors to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of A. Bruce Williams. Williams resigned from the board of directors in March 1990 for personal reasons. The company also reported that Gregory P. Plunkett resigned from the board of directors effective July 13, 1990 as a result of differences in management philosophies. The board of directors of the company is expected to elect a successor to Plunkett in the near future. Finally, the company reported that Peter R. Chase has assumed the financial management function previously performed by Ronald E. Kaplan. Kaplan's departure from the company reflects management's decision to consolidate certain positions within the company to lower operating expenses.

Software Services of America, Inc. is a developer of electronic banking software, supporting branch automation and retail funds transfer systems, utilizing mainframe computers, financial terminal systems and personal computers.

CONTACT: Michelle M. Baddour of Software Services of America, Inc., 508-681-0802

-30- 1564

#90236p8750 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Stanford Telecommunications Inc. (NASDAQ: STII) has approved a plan to repurchase the company's common stock in open-market transactions. The plan authorizes the purchase of up to $2,500,000 of STII common stock. The company's agreement with Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. to repurchase STII common stock extends through March 31, 1993.

Stanford Telecom designs, manufactures and operates electronic systems primarily for space programs for government and commerical customers. These systems provide a variety of functions including satellite navigation, communications, earth observation and tracking, telemetry and

control for both fixed stations, as well as mobile and airborne users.

CONTACT: Gary Wolf of Stanford Telecommunications, 408-748-1010

-30- 997

#90236p8752 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

FLINT, MI (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Buick Motor Division has announced incentives for most 1991 Buick models through Sept. 26, 1990.

These include consumer rebates or (in lieu of rebates) special GMAC finance rates ranging from 3.9 percent to 10.9 percent, depending on the length of the contract.

In addition, Buick has announced enhanced GMAC finance rates for the 1990 Buick Century and Regal and 1991 Regal sedan ranging from 4.8 percent for terms of 24, 36 and 48 months and 10.9 percent for 60 months.

Buick's specific incentive amounts are as follows:

Rebates by Option Package (Aug. 24 - Sept. 26, 1990)

1991 Buick Models	SA	SB	SC	SD/SM	SE/SF
Skylark	$ 250	$ 250	$ 500	$ 750	$1,000
Century	250	250	500	750	1,000
Regal	500	500	750	1,000	1,250
LeSabre	250	250	500	750	1,000
Riviera	1,000	n/a	n/a	1,000	1,000

For 1991 Models(a) Length of GMAC Contract	Special Interest Rate (Aug. 24 - Sept. 26, 1990)
1 - 24 Months	3.9 %
25 - 36 Months	5.9 %
37 - 48 Months	7.9 %
49 - 60 Months	10.9 %

(a) -- Except 1991 Regal sedan.

CONTACT: Gary Witzenburg, 313-236-1415, or Dave Roman, 313-236-5987, both of Buick Motor Division

-30- 1689

#90236p8766 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Experiencing improved business in its meat processing and turkey divisions, Granada Foods Corp. (AMEX: GNF) today reported gains in both sales and earnings for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

According to David G. Eller, chairman and chief executive officer, the stronger earnings performance thus far in 1990 reflects effective

cost-containment efforts as well as higher sales.

"The gains are particularly gratifying, given the first six months of the year are traditionally the slowest part of our selling year," he said.

For the second quarter, however, income declined as higher interest costs related to cattle feedlot operations offset an 18 percent advance in revenues.

For the six-month period, net income was $130,000, or 4 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $26,000, or 1 cent per share, in the 1989 period. Revenues were $69,486,000, a 14 percent increase from $61,014,000 in the year-earlier period.

Eller said that revenues for the period increased primarily due to a gain in its TMP subsidiary meat product sales in the Houston and San Antonio markets. In addition, feedlot occupancy increased to 95 percent, compared with 84 percent in the 1989 period. He said turkey sales were about equal to last year and there was a decline in export sales due to increased competition and oversupply in a key market.

For the second three-month period, net income was $71,000, or 2 cents per share, compared with $90,000, or four cents per share, for the second quarter of 1989. Revenues were $36,805,000, up from $31,286,000 in the prior year.

Eller noted the 1990 per share amount was based on 3,477,000 average outstanding common shares, while the 1989 per share amount was computed on the basis of 2,200,000 average outstanding common shares.

On June 30, 1990, Granada Foods had working capital of $22.5 million, and a ratio of current assets to current liabilities of 2.15 to 1. Shareholders' equity was $24.5 million, a 43 percent improvement from shareholders' equity of $17.1 million at Dec. 31, 1989.

Granada Foods Corp. is the largest meat purveyor in Texas and the largest smoker of whole body turkeys in the nation. The company is a producer, marketer and distributor of value-added food, specializing in certain red meat and poultry products. The company's Texas-based processing and distribution facilities service various metropolitan areas in the continental United States and certain international markets.

Granada Foods common shares are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol GNF.

CONTACT: Nancy Hudgins of Granada Foods Corp., 713-977-7000

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#90236p8768 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Interchem (N.A.) Industries Inc. (NASDAQ, Vancouver: IID) is pleased to announce that it has completed its first plant to make synthetic fuel oil from waste wood. Final testing will be completed at its Southern Missouri location in September and deliveries of fuel oil and charcoal will commence in October.

Approximately 13,000 tons of waste wood will be processed annually to create 1.7 million gallons of synthetic oil which will be used as a replacement for conventional fuel oil. Markets for the fuel oil and charcoal have been assured and final contracts are being completed.

This plant is the first of many commercial plants to be built by Interchem and its joint venture partner, Midwest Pacific Inc. and will demonstrate their unique environmentally safe waste to chemical process. This process (which vaporizes waste wood and converts it into fuel oil and other useful compounds) is a timely solution to the environmental problems of waste wood disposal and provides a viable alternative to reduce current oil shortages.

Total revenues from this small plant are expected to approach $1,000,000 (U.S.) annually.

Interchem (N.A.) Industries Inc. is a publicly-traded emerging growth company specializing in the environmentally clean production of commodity chemicals and electrical power from waste materials.

CONTACT: Bill Ayres, 913-341-0300, or Earl King, 604-641-1312, Interchem (N.A.) Industries Inc.

-30- 1651
#90236p8777 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
EAST LANSING, MI (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Crittenton Hospital RN Bargaining Committee asked authorities from the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Services to call an Aug. 29 bargaining meeting with hospital administrators Friday.

"The RN bargaining committee requested this meeting to demonstrate their willingness to resolve the issues and return to work," said Michigan Nurses Association Representative Larry Cross, explaining that the nurses are prepared to settle contract differences with the employer.

"If the hospital does not also demonstrate a willingness to compromise, it may be a very short meeting," added Cross, explaining that the administration's refusal to listen to the nurses' concerns during earlier negotiations prompted the RNs' decision to strike.

The nurses are united in their efforts with over 97 percent withholding professional services since the strike began. Patient census at Crittenton has continued to decline and is now below 25 percent.

Cross will meet with an agent of the National Labor Relations Board Tuesday, Aug. 28, to give testimony and provide evidence supporting the Unfair Labor Practice Charge which was filed against the hospital Aug. 15. The charge asserts that Crittenton Hospital management has negotiated in bad faith and has discriminated against union members, which is a violation of federal law.

Cross also indicated that nursing agencies which have been supplying nurses on a temporary basis to the hospital are being contacted and requested to pull their nurses from the facility.

The Michigan Nurses Association, a constituent of the American Nurses Association, is the professional organization of registered nurses in Michigan. It provides professional and educational opportunities for registered nurses and offers services in a variety of areas of concern to nurses in health care.

CONTACT: Andrea Shea Ralph of the Michigan Nurses Association, 517-337-1653, or (home) 517-627-2780

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ST. LOUIS (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - When is small, big? When you're talking about small business customers at Southwestern Bell Telephone (SWBT).

They comprise about 93 percent of the company's business customers. And at 660,000 strong, they contribute about one-half of SWBT's $2.2 billion annual business revenues.

So why not think "small" when looking for "big ideas" to boost business revenues?

That's exactly what SWBT did this spring when it formed a 16-member "Small Business Advisory Panel." SWBT defines a small business as having one to six business lines at a single location.

Panel members from around SWBT's five states met quarterly to give their ideas on ways SWBT can better market to small businesses. The panelists also learn more about SWBT and the products and services it sells.

"We already knew our small business customers were vital to our success,"

said Becky Thompson, SWBT's coordinator for the panel and planning manager for SWBT's general business marketing. "But it's only in the last year or so that we've been looking at ways to better reach these customers. This panel should help us do just that."

Thompson said SWBT will use the suggestions from panel members to support recommendations regarding SWBT's marketing, as well as to develop new products and services.

"We want to gain a better understanding of the small business market, by learning about these customers' motivations, concerns and current and future telecommunications needs," she said.

Southwestern Bell Telephone is a wholly owned subsidiary of Southwestern Bell Corp. and provides network exchange service to nearly 9 million customers in Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas and Missouri.

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#90236p8782 08/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKFORD, Ill. (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Sundstrand Corp. of Rockford, Ill. (NYSE: SNS) and Modine Manufacturing Co. (NASDAQ: MODI) of Racine Wisc., today announced that they have entered into a definitive agreement providing for the purchase by Modine of Sundstrand's Heat Transfer business for a purchase price of approximately $40 million. The two companies had announced on July 18, 1990, that they had agreed in principle on the purchase by Modine of Heat Transfer. The transaction is expected to be completed by the middle of October 1990.

Sundstrand Heat Transfer, with plants in Dowagiac, Mich., Camdenton Mo., and Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, manufactures fin-and-tube coils, feeder parts, and copper tubing for heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration equipment.

Sundstrand Corp. is a market leader in the design, manufacture, and sale of a variety of proprietary, technology-based components and subsystems for aerospace and industrial markets. Sundstrand's common stock is listed on the New York, Midwest, and Pacific Stock Exchange under the symbol SNS.

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GLENDALE, Calif. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - William C. Walbrecher, President and Chief Executive Officer of Citadel Holding Corporation (AMEX: CDL) and

its subsidiary, Fidelity Federal Bank, a federal savings bank, announced Friday that Fidelity acquired deposit liabilities and certain assets of two separate California savings and loan associations from the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC). The two thrifts were Westwood Savings and Loan Association and Investment Federal Savings and Loan Association, which had deposits of approximately $350 million and $220 million, respectively.

In making the announcement, Mr. Walbrecher said: "Fidelity Federal Bank is very pleased to have submitted the winning bids as approved by the RTC to acquire these institutions, which have a total of 10 branches in Southern California. These new offices will substantially expand Fidelity's share of market in California and provide greater convenience for depositors and borrowers. The five branches acquired from Westwood Savings are concentrated in the West Los Angeles area while five branches acquired from Investment Federal are in the South Ventura County and San Fernando Valley areas. With these acquisitions Fidelity now has 44 California branches and its deposits now total over $4 billion."

Mr. Walbrecher added: "We want to emphasize that it will be 'business as usual' at all 10 offices acquired, without interruption of service, and that all branches will be open at their usual hours Monday morning, Aug. 27, 1990.

Fidelity Federal Bank, founded in 1937 and headquartered in Glendale, Calif., has over $5.6 billion in assets and 44 branches and six loan facilities in California. The common stock of its parent company, Citadel Holding Corp. is traded on the America Stock Exchange under the symbol "CDL."

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(AUG. 24) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	66	57	.537	-	39-21	27-36	4-6	L-1
Toronto	66	59	.528	1	33-29	33-30	6-4	W-1
Baltimore	58	64	.475	7 1/2	27-28	31-36	4-6	L-1
Detroit	58	67	.464	9	30-34	28-33	5-5	W-2
Cleveland	57	66	.463	9	32-29	25-37	4-6	W-1
Milwaukee	56	67	.455	10	28-34	28-33	8-2	W-1
New York	52	71	.423	14	29-30	23-41	6-4	L-1
West								

Oakland	78	46	.629	-	40-22	38-24	6-4	W-1
Chicago	72	50	.590	5	37-27	35-23	6-4	W-1
Texas	64	60	.516	14	35-27	29-33	5-5	W-1
Kansas City	62	62	.500	16	37-28	25-34	7-3	W-4
Seattle	61	64	.488	17 1/2	32-33	29-31	3-7	L-2
California	61	64	.488	17 1/2	32-30	29-34	6-4	L-3
Minnesota	55	69	.444	23	29-33	26-36	2-8	L-8

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(AUG. 24) AL BOX SCORES:

MILWAUKEE NEW YORK

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 1b	5	0	1	0	Kelly cf	4	1	1	0
Gantner 2b	5	2	3	0	Sax 2b	4	0	2	0
Sheffield 3b	4	2	3	0	Azocar lf	4	0	0	0
Parker dh	5	2	2	4	Hall dh	4	0	2	0
Yount cf	3	1	0	0	Maas 1b	3	1	0	0
Felder cf	1	0	0	0	Nokes c	4	0	1	0
Deer rf	5	1	2	2	Barfield rf	4	0	1	1
Hamilton lf	4	0	2	0	Leyritz 3b	4	0	1	0
O'Brien c	4	0	1	0	Espinoza ss	3	0	0	0
Spiers ss	4	0	0	0	Cerone ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	40	8	14	6	Totals	35	2	8	1

Milwaukee	300	140	000-	8
New York	100	100	000-	2

E-Kelly, Sheffield, JRobinson. DP- Milwaukee 1, New York 2. LOB- Milwaukee 7, New York 7. 2B-Deer, Leyritz. HR-Deer (25), Parker (17). SB -Kelly (30) Gantner (11).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Navarro (W 4-5)	9	8	2	1	0	4
New York						
Witt (L 2-6)	4 1-3	9	8	7	2	2
JRobinson	1 2-3	2	0	0	0	0
Jones	3	3	0	0	0	1

HBP-by Navarro (Maas). WP-Witt. Balk-Navarro. T-2:43. A-18,729.

Umpires-Home, McCoy; 1b, Hirsch- beck; 2b, Phillips; 3b, Clark.

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Polonia lf	4	0	1	0	Bradley cf	4	0	1	0
White cf	2	1	1	0	Ventura 3b	2	0	0	0
Downing dh	3	0	1	1	Calderon dh	4	1	1	0
Winfield rf	4	0	1	1	Pasqua lf	2	2	1	1
Parrish c	4	0	0	0	Martinez ph	1	0	0	0
Stevens 1b	4	0	1	0	Johnson cf	0	0	0	0
Coachmn 3b	3	0	1	0	Fisk c	4	0	2	0
Venable ph	1	0	0	0	Karkovice c	0	0	0	0
Hill 2b	4	0	1	0	Thomas 1b	2	1	1	0
Schofield ss	3	1	1	0	Lyons 1b	0	0	0	0
					Sosa rf	3	0	0	0
					Fletcher 2b	4	0	2	2
					Guillen ss	3	0	0	0
Totals	32	2	8	2	Totals	29	4	8	3

California	001 010 000- 2
Chicago	010 300 00x- 4

E-Guillen. DP-California 1, Chicago 1. LOB-California 6, Chicago 7. 2B-Calderon, Pasqua, Winfield, Fisk. S- White.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
McCaskill (L 9-9)	5 2-3	6	4	4	4	1
Young	1 2-3	2	0	0	1	0
Eichhorn	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Chicago						
Fernandez (W 2-1)	8	7	2	2	2	6
Thigpen (S 42)	1	1	0	0	0	1

HBP-by McCaskill (Pasqua). T-3:25. A-32,393.

Umpires-Home, Cousins; 1b, Hickox; 2b, Johnson; 3b, Young.

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#90236u0119 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 24) UPI - Armenia's Parliament passed a declaration of independence the same day Soviet Interior Ministry troops were deployed in the republic in response to fighting that left 50 extremists dead and more than 100 wounded, reports said.

In passing the declaration Thursday, the lawmakers claimed the right to form its own army, interior troops and security forces.

Lt. Gen. Mikhail Kolesnikov, a commander of troops on the Soviet Union's embattled southern rim, provided the first details of a massive battle Tuesday between soldiers and hundreds of heavily armed Armenian fighters in an Azerbaijani village near the two republics' border.

''According to our information, 50 extremists were killed and more than 100 wounded in an engagement they initiated near the village of Baganis-Airum,'' Kolesnikov said.

Soviet television said 800 Armenian fighters fought two detachments of soldiers for nearly 10 hours. It reported the same casualty figures and showed dramatic footage in which the village appeared to have been destroyed.

The casualty toll was much higher than previously reported in the latest round of violence in the Caucasus, where mainly Moslem Azerbaijanis and predominantly Christian Armenians have waged a virtual civil war for 2 1/2 years over control of the Nagorno-Karabakh region.

There were no reported casualty figures for troops or residents of Baganis-Airum. The official Tass news agency said in an earlier report that there were dead among soldiers and the local population, but it did not provide casualty figures.

Tass said more than 100 homes were destroyed in the fighting, but their inhabitants had managed to escape.

Kolesnikov said Interior Ministry troops were deployed in Armenia Thursday within a 3-mile zone on the other side of the besieged border.

''The task put forward by the command, after the measure was authorized by the republican leadership, is to clear the area of militants and carry out active operations against them,'' he said.

Armenia has several large illegal armies and was the main target of President Mikhail Gorbachev's July 25 decree ordering the breakup of vigilante units in the Soviet Union.

In its independence proclamation, the Armenian Parliament claimed the ''inalienable right'' to the Nagorno-Karabakh territory at the root of the bitter ethnic warfare in the Caucasus.

The proclamation placed Armenia on a collision course with the neighboring republic of Azerbaijan during a period of renewed violence along the two republics' border.

The conflict over Nagorno-Karabakh, an enclave of Azerbaijan inhabited

mainly by Armenians, first erupted in February 1988 and has escalated into an undeclared war.

Armenia stopped short of outright secession from the Soviet Union in the independence declaration, but it claimed the right to establish its own relations with other countries and seek membership in the United Nations and other international organizations.

The proclamation drops the name of ''Armenian Soviet Socialist Republic'' and extends automatic citizenship to all Armenians living in the Soviet Union and throughout the world in the newly designated Republic of Armenia Tass said.

Levon Ter-Petrosian, Armenia's effective president as chairman of the Yerevan legislature, told deputies minutes after they approved the independence declaration that it was a ''historic moment for the Armenian people,'' the independent Interfax news service said.

Deputies put off a vote on the proclamation Wednesday because of fierce debate over a clause demanding international condemnation of the 1915 genocide of Armenians by their former Turkish rulers. The clause was included in the final act, Tass said.

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#90236u0168 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Western nations face a showdown with Iraq over a Friday deadline for closing their embassies in occupied Kuwait. The United States the 12-member European Community, Japan, Yugoslavia, Austria... among others... have said they will defy the order despite reports that Iraqi troops were prepared to surround their diplomatic compounds. In Washington a State Department source said Thursday night that embassies in Kuwait City were given a midnight Friday deadline for evacuating.

A corporate plane ferrying oil rig workers from the North Sea to their homes crashed, split in half and caught fire during takeoff from Houston Intercontinental Airport Thursday night. Three people were killed and the remaining dozen others aboard the plane were injured. Cause of the accident is under investigation.

Armenia's Parliament passed a declaration of independence Thursday. The proclamation stops just short of outright secession from the Soviet Union. But it puts the republic on a collision course with neighboring Azerbaijan during a period of renewed violence along their border. That violence prompted the deployment Thursday of Soviet Interior Ministry troops in the region.

At least hundreds, and possibly thousands of people crossed the

Polish-Lithuanian border Thursday to protest Soviet control of the area. The event was one of many planned in Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia to mark the 51st anniversary of a Soviet-German pact that led to Moscow's annexation of the Baltic republics. People crossed the border without apparent incident... despite earlier Soviet warnings that the action was a ''provocation.''

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#90236u0176 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Directors of the Los Angeles Festival have overridden a vote by fellow board members and rejected a 30-thousand-dollar grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. The move came in protest of the agency's anti-obscenity stance. With only two weeks before opening day, the financially strapped festival... the largest of its kind in the nation... is still short of its five-Million-dollar fund-raising goal. But organizers say 12-thousand dollars of the rejected 30-thousand-dollar N-E-A grant have already been made up by private contributions.

Residents of Nebraska were treated Thursday night to a celestial light show as a pair of objects streaked slowly across the sky. Witnesses say the lights... seen from Scottsbluff to Omaha... glowed white and left a trail of red. Authorities have identified the objects as meteors. But many who saw the objects are NOT so sure. In the words of one caller to U-P-I- ''It WASN'T a meteor.''

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(AUG. 24) NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	74	50	.597	-	37-24	37-26	8-2	W-2
New York	69	53	.566	4	40-22	29-31	4-6	L-1
Montreal	64	59	.520	9 1/2	33-23	31-36	5-5	L-1
Chicago	59	64	.480	14 1/2	31-32	28-32	5-5	L-2
Philadel.	58	64	.475	15	29-28	29-36	6-4	L-2
St. Louis	57	67	.460	17	30-38	27-29	4-6	L-2
West								
Cincinnati	70	53	.569	-	37-25	33-28	4-6	L-1
Los Angeles	65	59	.524	5 1/2	37-26	28-33	7-3	W-2
San Fran.	64	60	.516	6 1/2	34-27	30-33	4-6	W-2
San Diego	58	64	.475	11 1/2	32-35	26-29	5-5	L-1
Houston	55	70	.440	16	35-25	20-45	5-5	W-1
Atlanta	47	77	.379	23 1/2	25-35	22-42	4-6	L-1

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 24) UPI - Roseanne Barr's ex-husband has filed a multimillion-dollar lawsuit against the television star, seeking half of the assets the couple accumulated during their relationship as well as alimony.

The suit also seek damages from Barr's current husband, Tom Arnold.

The Superior Court suit, filed Thursday on behalf of William Pentland by famed palimony attorney Marvin Mitchelson, charges breach of contract, as well as emotional distress.

Pentland and Barr, the suit said, lived together beginning in January 1972 were married Feb. 4, 1974, and separated in May 1989.

During the relationship, Pentland said he managed Barr's career, wrote comedy material for her, sacrificed his own career and acted as homemaker and cook for the entertainer.

Pentland said that in January 1986 he gave up his job, sold the couple's home in Colorado and moved to Los Angeles to further Barr's career.

The following year, the suit said, Pentland helped develop, write and nurture a television series, which eventually became the top-rated ''Roseanne'' show on ABC. Pentland also wrote and developed a revue for Barr called ''Rosie with a Z,'' which she performed at a small theater.

The suit seeks 50 percent of undetermined assets the couple accumulated during their marriage, at least $15 million in general damages, as well as at least $10 million in punitive and exemplary damages against Barr and at least $3 million against Arnold.

Pentland contends in the suit that starting in January 1989, Arnold drove a wedge between Barr and Pentland by telling her that Pentland was ''unreliable, nonsupportive and a detriment'' to Barr's career.

Pentland said Arnold's actions led to Barr's ending her business and personal relationship with Pentland in May 1989.

Barr married Arnold shortly after her divorce from Pentland last year.

In addition to the damages, the suit seeks one-half of the assets - which are to be determined - and ''a reasonable sum per month'' in alimony, plus court costs.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - NL BOX SCORES

NEW YORK

	ab	r	h	bi
Jefferies 2b	5	0	0	0
Magadan 3b	4	0	1	0
McRynlds lf	4	0	0	0
Strawbrry rf	1	1	1	0
HJohnson ss	1	1	0	0
Teufel 1b	2	0	1	1
Boston cf	1	0	0	0
DReed cf	3	0	0	0
Torve 1b	1	0	0	0
Trevino c	2	0	1	1
Omalley ph	1	0	0	0
Cone p	3	0	0	0
Sasser ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	29	2	4	2

LOS ANGELES

	ab	r	h	bi
Offerman ss	4	0	0	0
Gibson cf	3	0	2	0
Daniels lf	3	1	0	0
Murray 1b	3	2	1	2
Brooks rf	4	1	1	0
Scioscia c	4	0	1	1
LHarris 2b	4	0	2	0
Sharpersn 3b	3	0	0	0
Valenzuela p	3	0	1	1
JHowell p	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	4	8	4

New York 020 000 000 - 2
Los Angeles 020 020 00x - 4

DP-Los Angeles 2. LOB-New York 8, Los Angeles 6. HR-Murray (20). SB-Gibson (18), LHarris (13).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Cone (L 9-7)	8	8	4	4	3	9
Los Angeles						
Valenzuela (W 11-10)	7	4	2	2	7	0
JHowell (S 12)	2	0	0	0	1	2

Valenzuela pitched to one batter in the 8th.

Balk-JHowell. T-2:53. A-44,997.

Umpires-Home, Montague; 1b, Hirsch- beck; 2b, Davidson; 3b, C Williams.

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PHILADELPHIA

	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	4	0	2	2
Daulton c	2	1	0	0

SAN FRANCISCO

	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	2	2	2	0
Kingery rf	2	0	1	1

Ready ph	1	0	0	0	WClark 1b	3	0	0	0
Nieto c	0	0	0	0	Mitchell lf	4	0	0	1
VHayes lf	3	0	1	0	MaWillms 3b	4	1	1	0
Boever p	0	0	0	0	Kennedy c	3	1	2	0
Murphy rf	5	0	1	1	RThmpsn 2b	4	0	0	1
Kruk lf	4	0	1	0	DAndersn ss	4	1	2	0
Herr 2b	5	0	1	0	Downs p	1	0	0	0
Thon ss	5	1	1	0	Riles ph	1	1	1	3
Hollins 3b	3	1	1	0	F Oliveras p	1	0	0	0
RBooker 3b	0	0	0	0	Brantley p	0	0	0	0
Greene p	2	0	0	0	Thurmond p	0	0	0	0
Cook p	0	0	0	0	Bathe ph	1	0	0	0
CHayes ph	1	0	0	0	Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0
Ruffin p	0	0	0	0					
Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0					
CMartinz 1b	1	0	0	0					
Totals	36	3	8	3	Totals	30	6	9	6

Philadelphia 100 200 000 - 3
San Francisco 100 400 01x - 6

E-Kingery, MaWilliams. LOB-Phila- delphia 13, San Francisco 7. 2B-Dykstra, DAnderson, Kingery. HR-Riles (7). SB- Dykstra (29), VHayes (12). S-Kingery.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Greene	3 1-3	4	3	3	4	3
Cook (L 8-3)	1 2-3	3	2	2	0	1
Ruffin	1 2-3	0	0	0	1	1
Akerfelds	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Boever	1	2	1	1	0	1
San Francisco						
Downs	4	5	3	2	3	3
FOliveras (W 1-2)	3	1	0	0	0	2
Brantley	1-3	2	0	0	1	0
Thurmond	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Bedrosian (S 9)	1	0	0	0	1	0

HBP-Hollins by Downs; Daulton by FOliveras. T-3:03. A-13,918.

Umpires-Home, Layne; 1b, Runge; 2b, Winters; 3b, Davis.

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#90236u0289 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... U-P-I brings you

the latest news.

The United States trimmed staff at the U-S Embassy in Kuwait, but left a skeleton crew of 10 and says it will defy Iraq's order to close down the embassy. Other nations including the Soviet Union and China also say they will NOT comply. The State Department says embassies in Kuwait City were given a midnight deadline for evacuating.

The countries refuse to accept Iraq's annexation of Kuwait, and say closing their embassies would be an admission that Baghdad controls the tiny, oil-rich emirate. The annexation came shortly after Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2nd. Iraqi troops reportedly are prepared to surround embassies that doN'T close.

African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela says he might meet with Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi in an effort to halt tribal violence in black townships. It would be the first meeting between the two men since the conflict between their supporters erupted 11 days ago. 528 people have been killed.

Federal election records indicate Republican Senator Pete Wilson of California received more than 240-thousand dollars from defense-related political action committees in the past two election cycles. It's part of more than five-Million dollars donated by the PAC's to campaigns of armed service committee members.

Only four new cases of polio have been discovered in the Western Hemisphere this year, and health officials think the once-dreaded disease could be wiped out by the end of the year. A spokesman for the Centers for Disease Control predicts the virus will be totally eradicated ''in the next few months.''

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#90236u0292 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Medical researchers say cancer rates have shifted dramatically in 20 years... with lung and stomach cancer killing fewer people. Breast and brain cancer are claiming more lives. The exact cause of the shift is NOT known. But researchers in New York suggest it might be changes in diet, smoking and other factors.

Engineers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, have regained contact with the Magellan Venus probe... and are trying to determine what went wrong. Contact was lost with the probe last week, and again on Tuesday. Engineers in Pasadena, California, are trying to fix the problem so Magellan can begin mapping Venus.

A federal judge in Washington dealt a blow to Charles Keating when he

upheld the government's takeover of Lincoln Savings and Loan. The judge ruled yesterday that actions by the s-and-l's parent company ''amounted to a looting'' of the failed thrift. Keating was formerly chairman of the firm that owned the Irvine, California, s-and-l.

Two Peruvian nationals serving religious missions for the Mormon Church were shot to death in a town in the Andes. Church officials say the pair were gunned down as they walked to lunch Wednesday. Shining Path rebels are suspected in the shooting.

President Bush has a new airplane... the new Air Force One, a specially built Boeing 747. The new plane- the first new Air Force One in 17 years- arrived last night at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington. It was flown from Wichita, Kansas... where final touches were put on the multi-Million dollar jetliner.

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#90236u0303 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - The Kansas City Royals are excited about the wrong record and pleased with the wrong pitcher.

Recognized as pre-season favorites for an American League pennant, Kansas City has instead roamed the bottom half of the AL West for most of the season. Thursday night's 4-1 victory over the Seattle Mariners put the Royals record at 62-62 and gave Kevin Appier his 10th win on the year.

The Royals have been long in searching for a .500 mark, last attained on April 18 when they were 4-4.

''It seems like it took about three years,'' Kansas City Manager John Wathan said.

The victory was Kansas City's fourth straight, giving them a 14-8 record so far in the month of August.

''To play so bad for so long and then start winning games shows you what kind of character this team and this whole organization has,'' said George Brett, whose two-run double in the first inning put the Royals in front to stay.

''This was our first goal, to reach .500. Now our next goal is to move up another level,'' said Kevin Appier, 10-4, who allowed just three hits and no earned runs in six innings in posting his fourth straight win.

Appier was still in Omaha playing AAA ball at the beginning of the season when Mark and Storm Davis arrived from the West Coast. Touting strong arms and inflated salaries, the pitching duo was to insure Kansas City of

dominance from the mound.

Now the Davis pair's combined record reads 8-15 and it is Appier who has become the Royals' first 10-game winner.

''That's a surprise, especially with the pitchers we have on this team,'' Appier said.

Tough-luck Seattle starter Brian Holman fell to 11-10. The Mariners have scored a total of just 14 runs in Holman's 10 losses.

''It's a strange game,'' said Holman, who came within one out of a perfect game April 20 at Oakland. ''I'm pitching OK. You just have to take the bad with the good.''

The Mariners have lost six of their last seven games and 12 of their last 16.

Jeff Montgomery picked up a career-high 19th save with one inning of one-hit relief.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Elsewhere Thursday night in the American League, Toronto downed Boston 4-3 Milwaukee clubbed New York 8-2 and Chicago defeated California, 4-2.

Blue Jays 4, Red Sox 3

At Toronto, Kelly Gruber's broken-bat ground ball scored Mookie Wilson from third with the winning run to shave Boston's AL East lead to one game. Toronto reliever Tom Henke, 2-2, went two innings to pick up the victory. Joe Hesketh lost in his first decision the season.

Brewers 8, Yankees 2

At New York, Dave Parker homered and drove in four runs and Rob Deer smacked a solo homer, snapping the New York Yankees' six-game winning streak. Jamie Navarro, 4-5, gave up two runs and eight hits in pitching his first complete game of the year. New York starter Mike Witt fell to 2-6.

White Sox 4, Angels 2

At Chicago, Alex Fernandez scattered seven hits over eight innings and Scott Fletcher capped a three-run fourth inning with a two-run single, boosting the Chicago White Sox. Fernandez, 2-1, struck out five, the most in his five major-league starts, and walked two. Bobby Thigpen pitched the ninth for his major league-leading 42nd save. Kirk McCaskill evened to 9-9.

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#90236u0319 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 24) UPI - Barry Bonds and Bobby Bonilla performed like rivals for MVP honors Thursday night, but insisted it's just teamwork toward bringing a National League pennant to Pittsburgh.

Bonilla achieved his second career grand slam with his 29th home run of the season, and Bonds slammed his career high-tying 25th homer, a two-run shot in the seventh, to lead Pittsburgh to a 9-3 thrashing of Cincinnati.

''We have to push, we have to continue to push,'' Bonilla said, ''because we need to have as big a lead as we can get when we get back in the division.

''There's a lot of things we want to accomplish, and one of them is bringing a pennant to Pittsburgh. We're going to have some hard times in September, and we're going to have some good times, and we've got to hope the good out-weigh the hard.''

The win, the eighth in their last nine, combined with the New York Mets' loss to Los Angeles Thursday to give the Pirates a four-game lead in the NL East.

Bonds and Bonilla have both exhibited award-winning play this season and sport similar statistics. Bonds, among the league leaders in batting average, home runs, RBI, runs scored, stolen bases and a few other less celebrated categories, is considered the league's top MVP candidate.

Bonilla, who has top-five rankings in home runs, RBI, runs scored and a couple other categories, is considered one of his chief challengers.

But Bonilla is more concerned with a team trophy than one for himself.

''If a post-season honor comes, it comes,'' Bonilla said. ''B.B.'s (Barry Bonds) set out to do some things this year. All the attention he's getting he should be getting. That's why he was a No. 1 draft choice (in 1985).

''I'm not worried about post-season honors. If a post-season honor comes my way, it won't be because I'm talking to you right now.''

The Pirates took advantage of nine walks issued in a combined effort by rookie Chris Hammond, 0-2, Tim Layana and Rosario Rodriguez. All of the runners on base when Bonilla hit his grand slam to cap a six-run fifth had drawn bases on balls, and a walk to Andy Van Slyke right before Bonilla's blast forced in the Pirates' second run.

Winning starter Zane Smith, 9-7, earned his third win in three starts since Pittsburgh obtained him in a multi-player deal with Montreal on Aug. 8. He gave up seven hits and two runs, walked one and struck out four over 6 1-3 innings.

-- AROUND THE NL --

In other National League action, Houston pounded Atlanta 8-3, San Francisco dropped Philadelphia 6-3, and Los Angeles beat New York 4-2.

Astros 8, Braves 3

At Atlanta, Glenn Wilson stroked four singles and drove in two runs to pace an 18-hit attack, lifting Houston. Mark Portugal, 7-9, allowed seven hits over six innings to earn the win, striking out five and walking three. Larry Andersen allowed one hit over two innings, while Dave Smith tossed the final inning. Starter Charlie Leibrandt fell to 5-8.

Giants 6, Phillies 3

At San Francisco, pinch hitter Ernest Riles clubbed a three-run homer in a four-run fourth inning, his second pinch-hit home run in five days, leading San Francisco. Riles's pinch-hit homer was his fourth of the season, tying a club record. Francisco Oliveras, 1-2, earned the the victory with three innings of scoreless relief, allowing one hit and striking out two. Dennis Cook fell to 8-3.

Dodgers 4, Mets 2

At Los Angeles, Eddie Murray's two-run homer in the fifth inning snapped a 2-2 tie and carried Los Angeles. Fernando Valenzuela, 11-10, gave up only four hits and drove in a run. He was forced to pitch out of trouble repeatedly, walking a season-high seven, and did not strike out a batter before being lifted in the eighth inning. Jay Howell finished to record his 12th save.

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(AUG. 24) - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

BATTING (Minimum 310 plate appearances)

AMERICAN LEAGUE	AB	R	H	AVG
RHenderson, Oak	373	88	121	.324
Palmeiro, Tex	457	56	145	.317
Brett, KC	431	67	136	.316
Trammell, Det	456	59	142	.311

JoReed, Bos	449	56	139	.310
Boggs, Bos	475	69	147	.309
Harper, Min	372	51	115	.309
Griffey, Sea	484	73	149	.308
Sheffield, Mil.	429	60	132	.308
EMartinez, Sea	399	56	122	.306

HOME RUNS

Fielder, Det 39; Canseco, Oak 34; McGwire, Oak 32; McGriff, Tor 28; Deer, Mil 25.

RUNS BATTED IN

Fielder, Det 102; Canseco 85; McGwire, Oak 84; Gruber, Tor 83; Sierra, Tex 78; Bell, Tor 77.

DOUBLES

Jo.Reed, Bos 41; Puckett, Min 35; Calderon, Chi and Boggs, Bos 34; Brett, KC and Harper, Min 33.

TRIPLES

Fernandez, Tor 16; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos, Johnson, Chi and Pettis, Tex 7.

STOLEN BASES

R.Henderson, Oak 50; Sax NY and Kelly, NY 30; Calderon, Chi 29; Pettis, Tex 28.

RUNS

R.Henderson, Oak 88; Fielder, Det 80; Yount, Mil 79; McGriff, Tor 77; Seitzer, KC 75; Puckett, Min, Franco, Tex and Griffey, Sea 73.

HITS

Griffey, Sea 149; Boggs, Bos 147; Palmeiro, Tex 145; Kelly, NY 143; Trammell, Det 142.

PITCHING

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 100 innings pitched)

Clemens, Bos 2.04; Finley, Cal 2.47; Stewart, Oak 2.57; Steib, Tor 2.97; Hibbard, Chi 2.99.

WINS

Welch, Oak 21; Clemens, Bos 18; Stewart, Oak 17; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 16.

SAVES

Thigpen, Chi 42; Eckersley, Oak 38; Jones, Cle 34; Schooler, Sea 30; Olson Bal 29.

COMPLETE GAMES

Stewart, Oak 8; Morris, Det, Young, Sea and Brown, Tex 6; Clemens, Bos, Finley, Cal, Saberhagen and Gordon, KC and Leary, NY 5.

STRIKEOUTS

Clemens, Bos 183; Ryan, Tex 170; Witt, Tex 165; Hanson, Sea 155; Johnson, Sea 152.

SHUTOUTS

Clemens, Bos and Stewart, Oak 3; Eleven pitchers tied with 2.

BATTING (Minimum 310 plate appearances)

National League	AB	R	H	AVG
Dykstra, Phi	450	89	155	.344
Magadan, NY	328	55	110	.335
McGee, StL	484	72	162	.335
Dawson, Chi	394	51	126	.320
Gwynn, SD	491	68	155	.316
Bonds, Pit	402	87	125	.311
Murray, LA	417	71	129	.309
Grace, Chi	447	52	138	.309
Sandberg, Chi	484	91	148	.306
Wallach, Mon	473	51	143	.302

HOME RUNS

Sandberg, Chi 29; Strawberry, NY and Bonilla, Pit 28; Mitchell, SF 27; Bonds, Pit 25, Williams, SF 24.

RUNS BATTED IN

Carter, SD 96; Williams, SF 93; Bonds, Pit 92; Bonilla, Pit 89; Strawberry NY 80.

DOUBLES

Jefferies, NY 34; Dykstra, Phi 33; Wallach, Mtl 32; Johnson, NY 31; Bonilla, Pit and McGee StL 30.

TRIPLES

Duncan, Cin 9; Smith, Atl and Coleman, StL 8; Thompson, StL and Gwynn, SD 7.

STOLEN BASES

Coleman, Stl 71; Yelding, Hou 48; Bonds, Pit 43; Nixon, Mtl 39; Raines, Mtl and Butler, SF 36.

RUNS

Bonilla, Pit 96; Sandberg, Chi 91; Dykstra, Phi 89; Bonds, Pit 87; Sabo, Cin 83.

HITS

McGee, StL 162; Gwynn, SD and Dykstra, Phi 155; Sandberg, Chi 148; Alomar, SD 147.

PITCHING

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 100 innings pitched)

WINS

SAVES

Franco, NY 29; Myers, Cin 24; L.Smith, StL 21; Smith, Hou and Lefferts, SD 20.

COMPLETE GAMES

Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA, De.Martinez, Mtl and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl, Maddux, Chi, Belcher, LA, Drabek, Pit and Hurst and Whitson, SD 5.

STRIKEOUTS

Martinez, LA 183; Cone, NY 174; Gooden, NY 155; DeLeon, StL, 137; De.Martinez, Mtl 136.

SHUTOUTS

Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3; Thirteen players tied with 2.

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DETROIT (AUG. 24) UPI - A 72-year-old man has been charged with murder for allegedly helping his cancer-stricken wife commit suicide earlier this week in suburban Romulus, police said.

The couple flew from a Sacramento, Calif., suburb to Michigan because news reports about Dr. Jack Kevorkian and his ''suicide machine'' led them to believe assisted suicides were legal in Michigan, Derek Humphry, executive director of the Hemlock Society, told the Detroit Free Press in Friday editions.

Conflicting legal precedents make it unclear whether assisting suicide is a crime in Michigan.

Virginia Lee Harper, 69, who was terminally ill with cancer, died Sunday in a motel room near Metro Airport after she swallowed unidentified pills and put a plastic bag over her head, Humphry said.

Her husband, whom authorities identified as Bertram but who is known as Robert, and her daughter, Shanda McGrew, were at her side, Humphry said.

He said the couple has been members of the Hemlock Society, an Oregon-based group that supports voluntary euthanasia, since 1988, but that he learned of the family and its plight on Thursday, when McGrew called him.

''They thought they were safe in Michigan from such a crime,'' he said. ''They made statements to authorities in the belief that all was fine and dandy and there would be no prosecution.''

Bertram Harper, of Loomis, Calif., was arraigned Wednesday in 34th District Court in suburban Romulus on charges of murder and conspiracy to commit murder, authorities said.

The conspiracy charge refers to his assistance of his wife's suicide, according to Nancy Schuette, the court administrator.

Harper was being held in lieu of $25,000 bond at the Wayne County Jail. He was scheduled to appear in 34th District Court next Wednesday for a preliminary exam.

An official with the Wayne County Medical Examiner's office said the cause of Virginia Harper's death has not been officially determined.

Humphry said the woman had been ill with cancer for at least two years and that her health was deteriorating.

Kevorkian is a Royal Oak doctor who grabbed national headlines after he helped an Oregon woman, Janet Adkins, kill herself June 4 with his machine that administered drugs to her intravenously.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - Flash flooding hit West Virginia early Friday, washing out roads, and fierce winds whipped parts of Georgia and Arkansas.

The National Weather Service said the flooding occurred following more than 3 inches of rain that fell in two hours. Three roads were washed out, state police in Elkins, W.Va., said.

No injuries were reported.

Earlier, winds downed trees in Georgia's eastern Adams County and thunderstorm gusts reached 60 mph at Fort Smith, Ark. Golf ball size hail fell near Lincoln, Neb.

Blue sky and warm temperatures returned to the Pacific Northwest Thursday, with temperatures ranging from the mid-60s as a weather system moves southward along the British Columbia Coast. A few showers can be expected through Saturday mainly along the coast.

Eastern Washington will remain mostly clear. There will be a chance of an afternoon shower or thundershower mainly in mountain areas through Saturday.

Oregon had partly-to-mostly sunny skies as a weak high pressure nosed into the state from the Pacific. However, a band of cloudiness associated with a dissipating frontal system kept clouds over southeast Oregon. A disturbance will begin moving into the area on Friday bringing with it increasing cloudiness and a chance of showers through the weekend.

In California, low clouds and fog blanketed much of the northern and central coastline during night and morning hours while inland skies were mostly clear. The pattern, typical for the season, will continue through the weekend except for the possibility of showers in the extreme north and a trend toward cooler temperatures.

Las Vegas posted 100 degrees Thursday with the upper 90s expected Friday

under mostly sunny skies.

A lingering cold front should continue to dump rain over much of the Southeast as hot, muggy conditions prevail. While much of the region, including Tennesse, Mississippi and Alabama, should be free of showers, the Carolinas, Georgia and Florida can expect early morning fog and strong afternoon thunderstorms.

At 3 a.m. Friday, temperatures across the Southeast ranged from a low of 71 degrees in Knoxville, Tenn., to a high of 78 degrees in Jacksonville and Tampa, Fla. Elsewhere, Atlanta reported 77 degrees, Chattanooga, Tenn. 75 degrees, and Charleston, S.C., 73 degrees.

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#90236u0497 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - For the first time in decades, average income for farmers now matches or tops the income for the rest of the nation. Agriculture Department economists say average income for farm operator households was estimated at 41-thousand dollars in 1988, or one-fifth higher than the U-S household average of 34-thousand dollars. During the Depression, farm families made only half as much as the U-S average.

Police in Japan say the country's two top long-distance runners and their trainer were killed in a traffic accident in northern Japan. They were among five people killed when the van in which they were riding crashed head-on into a truck yesterday about 595 miles north of Tokyo. The runners had been picked for next month's Asian Games in Beijing .

Authorities in Nepal say protesters shouting anti-royalty slogans stoned a limousine carrying Nepal's queen and her son. Police fired into the air to disperse the mob. The queen and her 19-year-old son were NOT hurt in the incident last night, but one security officer was wounded when he was hit with a stone. Authorities say the royal limo was badly damaged.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - Iraq has given governments with diplomatic missions in occupied Kuwait until midnight to abandon their embassies, saying Kuwait NO long exists following its annexation by Iraq. Almost every nation is refusing to give in to the Iraqi ultimatum, which is a breach of international law.

Jordan's King Hussein is back in Amman today after visits to Yemen and Sudan in his latest diplomatic efforts to avert a Middle East war. Hussein says he'll continue efforts to resolve the Gulf crisis.

Kuwait says it's ready to bankroll most if NOT all of the 28-Million-dollar daily cost to maintain the U-S military operation in Saudi Arabia. Analysts believe Kuwait could underwrite the U-S effort just with interest earned on its assets.

So far, the worst enemy for U-S forces in Saudi Arabia is boredom. Troops are confined to camps, there's NO mingling with the Saudis, NO beer and NO discos. One M-P found a silver lining to the dark cloud, saying... ''It doesN'T rain.''

South Africa is mobilizing army reserve troops to help police quell a surge of black-on-black violence in townships. Officials say rioting between African National Congress supporters and Zulus has claimed more than 500 lives.

Flash flooding washed out roads in West Virginia early today. The National Weather Service says the flooding occurred after more than three inches of rain fell in two hours. Three roads washed out, but there were NO injuries.

A state judge in Reno, Nevada, is expected to rule today whether two young men committed suicide under the influence of hidden messages on an album by the heavy metal rock group Judas Priest. The trial lasted nearly three weeks.

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#90236u0555 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - In suburban Detroit, police have charged a 72-year-old man with murder for allegedly helping his cancer-stricken wife commit suicide this week. Reports say the California couple believed assisted suicides were legal in Michigan.

Researchers writing in the British medical journal, The Lancet, say cancer death rates have shifted worldwide in 20 years. They say lung and stomach cancer kill fewer people, but breast and brain cancer claim more lives.

Federal health officials in Atlanta are predicting that polio will be wiped out in the Western Hemisphere this year. The medical triumph comes 35 years after the Salk vaccine began its war against the crippling disease.

A moderate Southern Baptist leader outside Atlanta says there's a possibility of a complete split with the fundamentalist wing of the church. However, the Reverend Daniel Vestal expressed hopes for ''a miracle of reconciliation.''

Two Jesuit priests came under fire yesterday in El Salvador. Witnesses say snipers fired and narrowly missed a vehicle occupied by the priests, who

work in a northern province. Six Jesuits were slain last November in their home.

Actor Todd Bridges was acquitted yesterday in Los Angeles of charges that he shot a drug dealer eight times inside a cocaine ''rock'' house last year. The 24-year-old Bridges is the former star of the television sit-com ''Diff'rent Strokes.''

Buckingham Palace announced yesterday that Prince Charles will undergo surgery to repair a bone that has NOT mended. Charles broke his right arm in two places eight weeks ago when he fell from a horse while playing polo.

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#90236u0575 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed higher Friday for the first time in seven trading sessions amid a cloud of rumors surrounding the Middle East.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues rebounded 428.13 points to 24,165.76, a gain of 1.8 percent.

The rally followed the Nikkei's fourth-worst loss ever Thursday, as market's leading indicator dropped 1,473.28 points in panic selling over the Middle East.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares gained 16.47 points to 1,845.72, following a 110.58 point loss Thursday.

An estimated 550 million shares changing hands, compared with 478 million shares Thursday.

Declines outpaced advances 526 to 367, while 80 issues remained unchanged.

Once again, the Middle East played a decisive role in the market, brokers said, as rumors of a partial Iraqi pullout from Kuwait and, later, of an attempted coup against Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein drove the market higher.

Analysts said bargain-hunters were looking for an excuse to buy following a string of six losses that knocked the market down to its lowest level in more than two years.

The rumors about Iraq provided that incentive, analysts said.

Many market observers were pessimistic about the chances of sustaining a rally.

''What we saw was the euphoria of people reacting to the news,'' said

Betty Wu of SBCI Securities. ''I don't think it's going to last. There are too many uncertainties ahead.''

Andrew Melyarchik, a broker with Merrill Lynch, said much of the afternoon buying may have been simply to cover short positions.

''I would interpret it as an extension of bearish sentiment,'' he said.

One reason for pessimism was an announcement that Japan's long-term interest rate was raised Thursday afternoon by 0.6 percentage point to 8.5 percent, Wu said.

Much of the buying centered around blue-chip stocks, she noted.

''People were going for familiar names,'' she said.

Among the winners were some electronics including Sony, while steel issues also performed strongly.

Elsewhere around the Asian region, stocks posted their first gain in seven sessions on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, rallying on a strong showing by Tokyo stocks and positive rumors from the Middle East.

The Hang Seng Index climbed 46.60 points to 2,918.01. The gain followed a loss of 83.52 points Thursday and left the market with a 204.63-point deficit for the week.

Among the narrower indexes, financials gained 10.06 points, utilities added 60.67, industrials climbed 46.06 and properties jumped 97.06 points.

Volume remained light as an estimated 1.2 billion shares changed hands, compared with 1.34 billion shares Thursday.

Analysts said rumors of a partial Iraqi pullout from Kuwait and the gain on the Tokyo Stock Exchange combined to give Hong Kong investors their first winning session since Aug. 16.

''People are beginning to look at the real value of the market now,'' said David Harman, an analyst with Morgan Grenfell. ''Tokyo saw a rebound and investors here took heart in that.

''The market has sunk to a point where there are a lot of solid bargains and people are looking for an excuse to buy.''

Despite the rally, many investors remained on the sidelines, waiting to see if the upturn would continue into next week, brokers said.

The Hang Seng Index has shed about 15 percent since Iraq invaded its

oil-rich neighbor Kuwait, sending oil prices soaring and global markets into turmoil.

Traders in Hong Hong will take a break from the action on Monday for the Liberation Day holiday. Trading will resume on Tuesday.

In Singapore, stocks closed higher on the Singapore Stock Exchange for the first time this week as bargain hunters overcame apprehensions about the Gulf crisis.

The Straits Times Industrial Index gained 30.17 points to 1,158.06. The All Singapore Index rose 8.04 points to 329.70.

Volume amounted to around 106.3 million shares.

Analysts said investors were motivated by the rally on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

Institutions were the primary bargain hunters after the string of staggering losses accompanying escalating tensions in the Mideast, market watchers noted.

On the trading floor, Development Bank of Singapore foreign shares paced the advancing issues followed by GB Holding and UMW Holdings.

Oriental Holdings led the declining issues followed by Singapore Land and Hong Leong Industries.

In Bangkok, stock prices fell another 5 percent on the Stock Exchange of Thailand amid worries over the crisis in the Middle East.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) Index dropped 39.58 points to 695.81.

An estimated 1.7 billion shares changed hands as declines hammered advances, 167 issues to only seven.

The downward trend affected all sectors of the market.

''It is the matter of fear in the market,'' said Wiroj Duangkhee, president of the Thailand Brokers Association.

''So we have to look for additional measures to boost purchasing power,'' he said.

Analysts noted the Thailand stock market has fallen 37 percent while Wall Street has dropped only 10 percent and the Japanese market by 18 percent since the Aug.2 invasion of Kuwait.

Maruay Padungsith, President of the Board of SET, has proposed relaxing restrictions on investment in the stock market by finance companies, to help boost confidence.

He said regulations limiting stock market investment by finance companies to only 60 percent could be completely removed to increase the supply of money available for investment in the market.

In Seoul, stock prices on the Korean Stock Exchnage ended broadly lower in moderate trading.

The Korea Stock Exchange Index slid to its lowest level in more than 2 1/2 years, losing 9.39 points to 595.36.

Concerns over the Gulf crisis were the main reason for the fall but a delay in government supportive measures for the stock market was another, analysts said.

Government officials said Friday they were considering moves to boost the stock market.

There were fears spreading among investors that the market may collapse altogether if the government does not move quickly, the analysts said.

In Australia, stock prices fell sharply on the Sydney Sharemarket despite the rally in Tokyo.

The All Ordinaries Index fell 24.1 points, or 1.6 percent, to 1,469.6.

Losses occurred across the boards.

The All Industrials Index fell 19.8 points to 2,178.8 and the All Resources Index lost 29.9 to 911.5.

Declines overpowered advances, 262 to 76, while 186 stocks remained unchanged.

An estimated 147.1 million shares changed hands.

Analysts said Wall Street's plunge on Thursday was the trigger for the drop.

On the trading floor, BHP Oil fell 35 cents to $11, WMC eased 26 cents to $5.14, News Corp. fell 15 cents to $10.35, Brambles lost 20 cents to $12.80, while Westpac Bank rose 3 cents to $4.63.

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#90236u0624 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 24) UPI - Sweden says Iraqi troops are patrolling around several embassies in Kuwait City today as Baghdad's deadline nears for the embassies to close. Sweden's foreign minister says troops are around the British, Japanese, West German, Swedish, Norwegian, Hungarian and Romanian embassies.

Norway's foreign ministry confirms the Swedish report and says there are ''enough soldiers to completely surround the embassy.'' But Britain's foreign office denies that any soldiers are outside its embassy. The United States and many other countries refuse to comply with the order to shut their diplomatic compounds.

The Tokyo stock market rallied at the end of the week, sending the Nikkei average of 225 stocks rising 428 yen today for a gain of one-point-eight percent. The rise follows yesterday's fourth-worst loss when the Nikkei fell 14-hundred-73 yen in panic selling because of the Persian Gulf crisis.

More than three inches of rain fell in two hours in Elkins, West Virginia, causing flash floods that police say washed out three roads. NO injuries were reported. Fierce winds blasted parts of Georgia and Arkansas, toppling trees in Georgia's Adams County. Thunderstorm gusts reached 60 miles-an-hour at Fort Smith, Arkansas.

A corporate plane crashed yesterday during take-off from a Houston airport... killing three of the 15 people aboard and injuring a dozen others. Authorities say the plane split in half and caught fire when it went down. It was carrying North Sea oil rig workers to New Orleans. They had just arrived back in the United States from England.

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#90236u0633 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - America's total output of goods and services crawled ahead only 1.2 percent in the second quarter of the year, the government said Friday, as the economy struggled to avert a recession.

Private economists anticipated an increase of 1.4 percent and warn that a period of negative or near-zero growth lies ahead because energy and other consumer prices will likely spiral as the Iraq crisis drags on.

In its first revision of the real gross national product, the Commerce Department also reported corporate profits after taxes dipped 0.2 percent from April to June after inching ahead 0.5 percent in the first quarter.

The second quarter's overall $12.2 billion increase in the real GNP, which discounts inflation, follows a gain of 1.7 percent, or $17.4 billion, from January to March, the department said.

The figures in the report were adjusted for seasonal factors and calculated at an annual rate. Most of the revisions came from data collected during June, a government spokesman said.

The implicit price deflator, a critical measure of inflation tied to the report, finished the second quarter at 4.7 percent, down from 4.8 percent in the first quarter when energy prices jumped in the wake of a December by only 0.3 percent in the second quarter after gaining 1.1 percent in the first quarter.

Spending on durable goods plunged 9 percent from April to June while spending on non-durable goods was off 2 percent. Spending on services, however, was up 5.1 percent.

''About one-third of the second-quarter increase was in expenditures on electricity and natural gas, which reflected a return to near-normal temperatures following an unusually mild winter,'' the Commerce Department said.

Exports of goods and services, which rocketed 11.2 percent in the first quarter, were off 3.5 percent in the second quarter, while imports dipped 0.6 percent after advancing 2.5 percent from January to March.

Business investment, meanwhile, dropped 5.2 percent in the second quarter, more than offsetting a 5 percent increase in the first quarter as business inventories, the stockpile of unsold goods, increased dramatically.

Total government spending was up 6.6 percent in the second quarter, a better showing than a 2.9 percent increase in the first quarter, on substantially higher non-defense spending by the federal government, the Commerce Department said.

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#90236u0643 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - A member of the Soviet women's basketball team has been missing in Mexico for three days and may have defected. A Soviet Embassy spokesman says the woman disappeared Monday night. A Mexican Olympic Committee spokesman says the Soviet team played seven games with the Mexicans, and several Soviet players voiced a desire to stay in Mexico.

An explosion and fire at a Shell Oil Company refinery in Deer Park, Texas, injured three workers- one seriously. A 37-year-old pipefitter suffered first- and second-degree burns yesterday. A second worker was treated at the refinery medical facility, and a third was treated at the facility and released.

Hundreds of firefighters are battling a four-thousand-acre wildfire in eastern Montana that began Tuesday night as four separate, lightning-sparked blazes. They merged Wednesday night into a single fire that is Montana's largest blaze this year. The wildfire burning in rolling hills of ponderosa pine.

A five-nation peace-keeping force left Sierra Leone for Monrovia, Liberia, yesterday... in a bid to restore calm to the West African country. The troop commander emphasizes that the force is neutral and is being sent specifically for peace-keeping. Liberia has been torn by civil war for eight months.

Another U-S product is about to cross over into the Soviet market. R-J Reynolds Tobacco Company officials say they hope to be manufacturing Winston cigarettes in the Soviet Union by 1991. They say the Soviet government signed a protocol agreement to set up a joint venture company to make the cigarettes at a plant in Leningrad.

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#90236u0672 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (AUG. 24) UPI - International Business Machines Corp. has agreed to sell laser disk players manufactured by Pioneer Electronic Corp. for industrial use, the Japanese company said Friday.

Pioneer said the agreement was signed between IBM and its wholly owned U.S. subsidiary Pioneer Communications of America Inc. Financial terms of the pact were not disclosed.

Pioneer indicated IBM will promote its sales of Pioneer's laser disc players to its customers and PCA will handle shipments and installation. IBM will adapt its graphics software to operate on Pioneer's laser disc players, the company said.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney announced Friday he will slash production of the Army's $42 billion Light Helicopter program by nearly 40 percent to save an estimated $7.8 billion.

It was Cheney's final review this year of major new weapons systems in an attempt to find defense budget savings. While cutting back and slowing down programs, he did not terminate any of the expensive weapons.

Cheney said he will direct the Army to cut its planned buy of 2,096 Light Helicopters over the next 10 years to 1,292 - a reduction of nearly 40 percent. They will be produced at a rate of 120 per year instead of the

planned 216 a year.

In addition, he said, the demonstration phase of the contract will be extended two years.

Reducing the size of the program to 1,292 helicopters represents ''the minimum requirement for light helicopters in the force structure,'' Cheney said.

While cutting the total size of the purchase by 804 helicopters would reduce procurement costs by $8 billion, the extended development program will add $200 million to total research and development costs, resulting in net savings of $7.8 billion, the Pentagon said.

''The changes in Europe do not alter the need for helicopters that can serve a versatile, more flexible force,'' Cheney said. ''Helicopters must be versatile, with the ability to self-deploy to hot spots. These are all attributes of the LH not found in the current helicopter fleet.''

The LH is intended to be a light, all-weather, night-attack helicopter that can destroy tanks and shoot down helicopters. More than 2,096 had been expected to be ordered over the next 10 years, entering service in 1997.

It is expected to replace the AH-1, OH-6 and OH-58 light tactical helicopters.

But many members of Congress have objected to spending $42 billion on a new helicopter program at a time when the defense budget is sharply declining and the threat from Eastern Europe has all but evaporated.

In addition, the LH has been criticized for failing to meet is 7,500-pound weight limit, for not being agile and fast enough to catch the Soviet KA-28 Hokum attack helicopter and for failing to meet its cost goal of $7.5 million each.

Pentagon officials said the per-unit cost of the LH has grown to $9.1 million, or $1.6 million over the Army's goal of $7.5 million.

The nation's four helicopter companies have formed two teams that are seeking the lucrative LH contract, pitting McDonnell Douglas Helicopters and Bell Helicopter Textron against Boeing Vertol and Sikorsky Aircraft of United Technologies Corp.

The LH was the last of Cheney's reviews this year of major weapons systems.

On Aug. 13, Cheney culminated a four-month review of major new warship programs by announcing he would cut the number of Seawolf attack

submarines and Arleigh Burke-class destroyers to be built, to save an estimated $7 billion through fiscal 1994.

Earlier this year, Cheney completed his review of major new aircraft programs in April by cutting the Air Force's $75 billion B-2 ''stealth'' bomber program from 132 to 75 planes and paring back other programs for an estimated savings of $34 billion through the early years of the next century.

As part of that review, Cheney also cut back the Air Force's C-17 transport plane and the Navy's A-12 ''stealth'' carrier-based attack plane and delayed production of the Air Force's stealthy, next-generation Advanced Tactical Fighter or ATF.

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#90236u0685 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (AUG. 24) UPI - The U.S. Meat Export Federation in Tokyo said Friday it would begin a ten-day American Meat Month campaign next week to promote sales of U.S. beef in Japan.

"With liberalization of Japan's beef market set for next year, this year's American Meat Month is especially significant," the federation said. "USMEF is making great efforts to ensure that as many people as possible in Japan gain a deeper understanding of - and appreciation for - American meat."

The campaign, which starts Monday, includes a nutrition seminar in Tokyo and Osaka, an American meat exhibition, a meat products show and a meat cutting school. The federation has been holding the event annually since 1987.

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#90236u0689 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	pc	85	56	.04
Anchorage	cy	59	48	.11
Asheville	pc	84	65	....
Atlanta	pc	87	72	.02
Baltimore	r	72	69	.01
Billings	ts	82	54	.02
Birmingham	hz	93	68	....
Bismarck	pc	89	56	....
Boston	r	68	63	....
Brownsville	pc	95	78	....

Buffalo pc	81	64	....
Burlington Vt. cy	83	64	....
Charleston S.C.ts	85	76	.80
Charlotte pc	86	71	....
Chicago pc	78	66	....
Cincinnati pc	77	64	....
Cleveland pc	75	62	....
Columbus Ohio pc	81	64	....
Dallas pc	97	75	.24
Denver pc	84	59	....
Des Moines ts	85	72	....
Detroit pc	68	63	....
Duluth fy	65	62	.02
El Paso pc	88	66	....
Evansville sy	85	61	....
Fargo pc	88	69	....
Hartford r	71	65	.37
Honolulu sy	90	77	....
Houston pc	95	77	....
Indianapolis pc	81	61	....
Jackson Miss pc	99	72	....
Jacksonville ts	92	75	....
Kansas City pc	93	74	....
Las Vegas w	100	74	....
Little Rock pc	91	75	....
Los Angeles pc	80	68	....
Louisville pc	81	66	....
Memphis pc	91	72	....
Miami Beach ts	90	79	....
Milwaukee pc	75	67	....
Minneapolis ts	76	72	....
Nashville pc	89	65	....
New Orleans pc	94	75	....
New York sh	69	67	.62
Oklahoma City pc	94	72	....
Omaha pc	94	69	....
Orlando ts	87	73	....
Philadelphia r	75	69	....
Phoenix sy	105	78	....
Pittsburgh sh	72	64	.07
Portland Me. cy	77	58	....
Portland Ore. cy	74	52	....
Providence r	72	64	....
Richmond ts	84	71	.11
St. Louis sy	85	70	....
Salt Lake City pc	88	58	....
San Antonio pc	96	77	....
San Diego pc	75	67	....

San Francisco pc	72	57	....
San Juan pc	90	76	.14
Seattle pc	70	54	....
Spokane pc	71	46	....
Tampa ts	89	76	.12
Washington r	73	70	.06
Wichita pc	99	73	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

-30- 2652
#90236u0703 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 24) UPI - Iraqi troops reportedly have surrounded several embassies in Kuwait City in advance of Iraq's deadline for the foreign missions to close. Iraq made the demand as a symbol of its annexation of Kuwait... but many foreign nations are refusing to abandon their embassies. Baghdad says diplomats in Kuwait after the deadline will lose their diplomatic status.

Austrian President Kurt Waldheim is expected to meet today with King Hussein in Jordan before traveling to Baghdad tomorrow. King Hussein returned to Amman today after visits to Sudan and Yemen in diplomatic efforts to avert a Middle East War. Sources at Jordan's Ministry of Interior says its border with Iraq will reopen this afternoon to allow more refugees to cross.

In Tokyo, the 225-issue Nikkei average managed to end the week with a rally for the first time since Iraq invaded Kuwait. The market rose more than 428 yen to end the day with a gain of nearly two percent. The rally followed the Nikkei's fourth-worst loss. Yesterday, the market's leading indicator dropped precipitously in panic selling over the Middle East.

The Commerce Department says the Gross National Product... America's total output of goods and services... rose a paltry one-point-two percent in the

second quarter of this year. That's less than the total expected by private economists, who had anticipated an increase of one-point-four percent. The economists warn of negative or near-zero growth ahead because energy and other consumer prices will likely spiral as the Persian Gulf crisis drags on.

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#90236u0713 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Moslem security sources in Lebanon say Syrian authorities and Islamicfundamentalists are working out a plan to free Irish hostage Brian Keenan later today. The sources say the behind-the-scene negotiations definitely will result in Kennan's release. It's expected the hostage will be whisked to Syria for a formal delivery to Irish diplomats.

Authorities in Boston say three people were killed early this morning when a small twin-engine plane crashed between two houses. Fire Chief John White says the pilot and two passengers aboard the plane died... but NO casualties were reported on the ground. Federal officials say the twin-engine turbo-pro Piper Cheyenne was bound for Logan International Airport from Chatham, Massachusetts.

South Africa's Law and Order Minister will announce measures later today to cope with the black-on-black violence that has claimed more than 500 lives in the last week and a half. The army already has mobilized reserve troops to help police quell the surge in fighting between the African National Congress and Zulus of the Inkatha movement.

The Air Force welcomed the first new Air Force One in 17 years yesterday to Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington, D-C. The aircraft is one of two ordered for White House duty. It flew in yesterday from Wichita, Kansas, where final touches were put on the multi-Million-dollar jetliner. The White House says it does NOT know when President Bush will make his first flight.

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#90236u0718 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Aug. 23: Purchases of 495,820 shares and sales of 865,245 shares including 58,360 shares sold short.

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#90236u0751 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR

(All times EDT)

Baseball

American League

Milwaukee at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Baltimore, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Oakland at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
California at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Seattle at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
Minnesota at Texas, 8:35 p.m.

National League

San Diego at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Atlanta, 7:40 p.m.
St. Louis at Houston, 8:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at San Francisco, 10:05 p.m.
New York at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

Williamsport, Pa. - Little League World Series

Boxing

New York - Tracy Spann vs. Eduardo Luciano, 10, lightweights

Cycling

Maebashi, Japan - World Cycling Championships

Exhibition Football

Cincinnati at New England, 7 p.m.
Kansas City at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
LA Raiders at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Seattle, 9 p.m.

Golf

Akron, Ohio - PGA NEC World Series of Golf
Minneapolis - $375,000 Northgate LPGA Classic
Chattanooga, Tenn. - PGA Chattanooga Classic
Kenmore, Wash. - GTE Northwest Classic

Tennis

Commack, N.Y. - Men's $250,000 Hamlet Challenge Cup
Forest Hills, N.Y., - $350,000 WCT Tournament of Champions
Mahwah, N.J. - Women's $225,000 United Jersey Bank Classic

Volleyball

China - Women's World Championships

#90236u0762 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
MANILA (AUG. 24) UPI - U.S. Ambassador Nicholas Platt warned U.S. servicemen Friday against possible communist guerrilla attacks as talks near on the renewal of U.S. basing rights in the Philippines.

Guerrillas of the communist New People's Army have said they would continue attacking U.S. personnel unless the United States dismantles its six facilities in the Philippines, including the giant Clark Air Base and Subic Bay Naval Complex.

''I think the security situation is really very tight as long as these negotiations are going on and I think that we have to be very vigilant during that period,'' Platt said in a taped interview broadcast on the U.S. military television Far East Network.

''The threats coming from the NPA are there and we have to take them seriously and so I think it will be a period of heightened vigilance for the next few months,'' Platt said.

The deaths of at least 10 U.S. citizens since October 1987 have been blamed on the NPA. The fatalities include two servicemen killed outside Clark last May as talks began on extending the leases that expire in September 1991.

The 19,000-member NPA has been battling for 21 years to establish a Marxist state.

The second round of talks is expected to begin in mid-September but officials refuse to set a specific date because of fears of triggering new responses from the NPA.

Clark, home of the 13th Air Force, and Subic, a repair and logistics center for the 7th Fleet, are the oldest and largest U.S. facilities overseas. Manned by some 14,500 servicemen, the bases allow the projection of U.S. military might over the Western Pacific and the Indian Ocean.

Diplomats said the Persian Gulf conflict has enhanced the value of the bases, but U.S. spokesmen have refused to talk about the role the facilities are playing there.

Philippine senators have expressed opposition to the use of the bases as a staging area. Any expansion of basing rights requires approval by the Philippine Senate.

Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus said, however, the bases are allowed to resupply vessels and the U.S. facility at Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean. Diplomats point out logistics plays a key role in any war effort.

Meanwhile, suspected military rebels trying to oust President Corazon Aquino detonated a bomb Friday at the Cosmos Bottling Plant in San Pedro outside Manila, injuring a worker.

The plant is owned by the family of Trade Secretary Jose Concepcion. It was the third company of the Concepcion family to be attacked in more than a dozen bombings in the past two weeks. The only casualty has been a wounded security guard.

Concepcion has been accused of corruption and despite his denials has been severely criticized in Manila's newspapers. News reports said he was targeted for assassination by rebel soldiers denouncing corruption and inefficiency in government.

Last December, 119 people were killed and more than 500 wounded in the sixth and worst uprising since Aquino assumed the presidency in February 1986 in a military-backed civilian revolt against President Ferdinand Marcos.

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#90236u0771 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $411.80, silver base of $5.13 and platinum price of $500.50:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$428.60	432.20
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	219.70	221.50
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	112.80	113.70
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	46.60	46.90
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	428.60	432.20
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	219.70	221.50
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	113.10	114.20
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	46.60	46.90
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	434.90	439.20
China Panda .50 troy oz.	224.00	226.20
China Panda .25 troy oz.	116.20	117.40
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	50.20	50.70
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	30.00	30.30
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	427.90	432.10
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	218.80	220.90
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	110.40	111.40
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	47.40	47.90
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	426.20	430.80
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	220.30	222.60
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	113.00	114.20

Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	47.90	48.90
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	426.10	430.70
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	219.10	221.50
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	92.80	93.70
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	48.60	49.10
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.50	24.70

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.52	$6.61
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,700	$3,730
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,575	$1,600

Platinum		
Australian Koala	525.00	529.00
Isle of Man Noble	514.00	518.00
Canada Maple Leaf	531.00	535.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90236u0782 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (AUG. 24) UPI - An Ethiopian government investigation into the airplane crash that killed Rep. Mickey Leland and 15 others a year ago concludes the accident most likely was caused by pilot error.

''By pushing too far and flying into an area of bad weather at a very low altitude, the flight crew may have failed to maintain visual ground contact and unknowingly collided with a mountain,'' concludes the report by the Ethiopian Civil Aviation Authority.

The report was received by the National Transportation Safety Board, which released it Thursday.

Leland, D-Texas, and the others died Aug. 7, 1989, when a twin-engine plane flying them to an African village on a hunger-relief mission slammed into a mountain during a rainstorm. There were no survivors.

In addition to Leland, chairman of the House Select Committee on Hunger, the victims included congressional aides, federal aid workers and seven Ethiopians.

In addition to concluding the crash ''most probably'' was due to pilot error, the report criticized the flight crew for not properly studying and determining route and destination weather before departing, as required by regulations.

''It is significant that none of the flight crew attempted to personally go to the weather office and receive firsthand information and weather briefings,'' investigators said.

''The weather being as it was, one would expect at least the co-pilot, if not both pilots, to remain close to the meterological office and closely monitor the route weather development by all available means, including the weather satellite photos, which were readily available.''

The report also noted the attempted itinerary for Leland's group was ''tight considering the weather conditions at the time.'' Bad weather had caused several delays in earlier parts of the journey.

Investigators also believe the pilots may have violated their license restrictions by flying under instrument flight rules until visible ground contact could be established.

The report noted that a plane that took off from Addis Ababa on the same route about one hour after Leland's flight returned because of bad weather.

The investigation concluded the plane hit the top of a tree about 250 feet before it struck the mountain, that the crash occurred at high speed and that all the passengers died instantly, before a fire swept the wreckage.

The force of the impact destroyed the plane's emergency transmitter, and extensive ground and air searches for the craft did not find the wreckage until a week after the accident, the report said.

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#90236u0827 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

FORT SMITH, AR (AUG. 24) UPI - Whirlpool Corp. will lay off more workers sooner than originally planned, a newspaper reported Friday. The company said between 250-300 workers would lose their jobs Friday and between 1,500-1,600 on Sept. 21.

The Benton Harbor, Mich.-based appliance maker, which makes refrigerators at its Fort Smith plant, had projected earlier this year that about 1,800 employees would be laid off by Oct. 1, the Arkansas Gazette story said.

Neal Catlett, president of the Allied Industrial Workers Local 370, which represents workers at the plant, said the company had indicated that the

Middle East crisis would have a rippling effect on the economy. He said during the possibility of a conflict of some type, most people are tighter with their money.

Catlett also said the decision may have something to do with the boycott of Whirlpool products by the union. Catlett said five million members from 17 labor unions are boycotting Whirlpool products as a response to the company's actions toward the Fort Smith union. The two sides have not been able to resolve a contract dispute since last fall, and the union has been working without an agreement.

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#90236u0843 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen pc	1pm	74	24
Amsterdam c	1pm	75	24
Ankara c	3pm	82	28
Athens pc	2pm	77	25
Auckland c	12a	52	11
Beijing cy	8pm	83	29
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	72	22
Bonn c	1pm	78	25
Brussels c	1pm	78	26
Cairo c	2pm	95	35
Casablanca c	12n	79	26
Copenhagen pc	1pm	68	20
Dakar pc	12n	85	30
Dublin cy	1pm	69	20
Geneva c	1pm	77	25
Helsinki pc	2pm	64	18
Hong Kong cy	8pm	84	29
Jerusalem c	2pm	83	28
Karachi cy	5pm	86	30
Lisbon pc	1pm	76	24
London c	1pm	80	27
Madrid c	1pm	84	29
Malta c	1pm	84	29
Manila r	8pm	74	23
Moscow pc	3pm	58	14
Nairobi cy	3pm	70	21
Nassau c	7am	83	28
New Delhi c	6pm	91	33
Nice c	1pm	80	27

Oslo cy	1pm	59	15
Paris c	1pm	86	30
Pretoria c	2pm	78	26
Riyadh	3pm	110	44
Rome c	1pm	79	26
Seoul c	9pm	76	25
Sofia pc	2pm	74	23
Stockholm r	1pm	60	15
Sydney c	10pm	51	11
Taipei ts	8pm	79	26
Tokyo c	9pm	87	30
Tunis c	1pm	85	29
Vienna c	1pm	75	24
Warsaw pc	1pm	70	21
Latin America			
Buenos Aires c	9am	52	11
Caracas	8am	-	-
Havana pc	7am	75	24
Lima cy	7am	58	15
Mexico City cy	6am	57	14
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	64	18
Santiago cy	8am	47	08
Canada			
Calgary r		55	12
Edmonton c		58	14
Montreal		-	-
Ottawa		-	-
Regina		-	-
Toronto		-	-
Vancouver c		67	19
Winnipeg c		90	32

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90236u0854 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by

the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-83.00 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 134.00-140.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $265.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.00-$115.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $476.75-$481.50; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $114.00-$122.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 284.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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#90236u0859 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Sweden says Iraqi troops have surrounded several Western embassies in Kuwait as a midnight deadline approaches for the closure of all foreign embassies in occupied Kuwait City. The United States and other Western allies are refusing to shut down their diplomatic missions, saying that to do so would be a concession that the Iraqi annexation of the

oil-rich emirate was valid. The Soviet Union initially said it would keep its Embassy open but announced today that its diplomats were flown back to Moscow last night.

President Frederik de Klerk of South Africa announced a major crackdown today on the surge of black-on-black violence that has claimed at least 506 lives in 12 days and left another 15-hundred people injured. He said the government will introduce legislation to give police wide-ranging powers in so-called ''unrest areas.'' He said the powers would be limited to the time of unrest and NOT long-term. The South African Army is mobilizing reserve troops to help police trying to quell the violence.

The Commerce Department says the U-S gross national product advanced a scant one-point-two percent in the April-through-June quarter, as the economy struggled to avert a recession. The second quarter's overall 12-point-two-BILLION-dollar rise in the real G-N-P, which discounts inflation, comes after a one-point-seven percent first-quarter gain of 17-point-four-BILLION dollars. The government also reported that corporate after-tax profits fell two-tenths of one percent after rising one-half percent in the first quarter.

Defense Secretary Cheney today slashed a 42-BILLION-dollar Army Light Helicopter program by 40 percent to save an estimated seven-point-eight-BILLION dollars. The cuts come in Cheney's final review of the defense budget. He says he will direct the Army to cut its planned purchase of two-thousand 96 Light Helicopters during the next 10 years to one-thousand 292.

-30- 2110

#90236u0863 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - A small twin-engine plane made a crash landing between two houses in Boston early today, setting both homes on fire and killing three people on the plane. NO casualties were reported on the ground. F-A-A officials say the pilot radioed Logan International Airport that he was experiencing problems and the plane went down moments later. Neighbors say the occupants of one house were away on vacation, and that five people in the other house fled to safety.

A Coast Guard radar plane hunting drug smugglers caught fire and crashed today at a U-S naval station in Puerto Rico, killing all four men aboard. The deaths are the first for the Coast Guard since it began drug-smuggling interdiction work in the 1970's. A Coast Guard spokesman in Miami says the EC Hawkeye plane crashed just short of the runway at Roosevelt Road Naval Station. The victims were based in St. Augustine, Florida.

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#90236u0896 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

BONN (AUG. 24) UPI - West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl Friday invited the opposition Social Democratic Party for talks in a bid to resolve differences over the technical aspects of German unification, notably over new abortion laws.

Abortion is legal in East Germany but generally prohibited in West Germany and there has been no agreement so far on legislation that would be enforced after the two states are scheduled to merge on Oct. 3.

Kohl reportedly discussed issues linked to German unification with his East German counterpart, Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere, in East Berlin Friday.

Kohl also met with the parliamentary faction of the East German Christian Democratic Union, the sister party of his West German CDU.

While in East Berlin, Kohl invited the West German SPD and the parties in his government coalition for talks in Bonn Sunday over a proposed unification treaty.

The SPD had earlier requested the talks in view of continuing disagreements over the treaty, which is due to set down the legal, financial and technical aspects of unification.

Both the SPD and the Free Democratic Party, the junior partners in the government coalition, reject new abortion legislation which is to be included in the treaty.

The draft law states that only women living in what is now East German territory could legally have abortions. The SPD and the FDP want abortion to remain legal in East Germany for all German women.

Under both proposals, abortion would remain illegal on West German territory.

New legislation included in the treaty would remain in force for two years or until an all-German parliament alters it.

The CDU needs the support of the SPD in both East and West Germany to have the treaty ratified by the two-thirds parliamentary majority required for constitutional amendments.

If the treaty is not passed, a transitional law could be adopted instead. The law would only include the parts of the treaty that do not affect the constitution. It could be passed unilaterally by a simple majority of the West German Parliament.

Resolution of the issue is one of the conditions for unification as stated in a decision Thursday by the East German Parliament.

The SPD also insists that former owners of land confiscated by the former East German Communist leadership should receive compensation rather than be given back their land.

There are also disagreements over the distribution of the cost of unification among the 11 West German states and the five states East Germany is expected to create.

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#90236u0905 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 24) UPI - Trading was choppy and grain and soybean futures were mixed at midmorning Friday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Traders were on both sides of the market in relatively light activity ahead of the weekend.

Both corn and soybeans were pressured by profit-taking and indications that Thursday's gains were overdone. Country elevator managers reported a slight increase in farmer selling overnight which contributed to the weakness across the floor.

Commission houses dominated the selling in corn and beans.

Wheat was narrowly mixed in lackluster trading.

Corn and wheat basis levels were higher at the Gulf while the soybean basis was lower.

Taiwan bought a small quantity of wheat, otherwise the export markets were quiet.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.58 3/4 off 1/4; Dec 2.50 off 3/4; Mar 2.59 up 1/4.

Soybeans Sep 6.26 3/4 off 1 1/4; Nov 6.39 3/4 off 1 3/4; Jan 6.53 1/2 off 1; Mar 6.67 off 1/4.

Wheat Sep 2.83 1/2 up 1/2; Dec 2.98 1/4 off 1/4; Mar 3.08 1/2 unch.

Oats Sep 1.18 1/2 off 3/4; Dec 1.31 1/4 off 1/4; Mar 1.42 unch.

-30- 1251

#90236u0907 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 24) UPI - General Motors Corp. has offered its hourly workers 2 percent raises, while Ford Motor Co. has proposed a lump-sum bonus in their first contract proposals made to the United Auto Workers union.

Neither carmaker has demanded any reductions in benefits or asked employees to share expenses for health insurance, it was reported Friday by sources close to the negotiations .

That by itself encouraged UAW negotiators, who have been bargaining since mid-July for new three-year labor pacts with GM, Ford and Chrysler Corp. for about half-a-million U.S. auto workers.

''There were not serious takeways, which gave rise to optimism,'' one UAW source at Ford told the Detroit News.

Both carmakers and the union declined to officially reveal specifics of the offers made Thursday while they are under review by the UAW. But sources said the contract offer by Ford included a lump-sum payment in the first year instead of a base wage increase.

Also offered was a $100 a month raise to $1,600 for workers who retire after 30 years of service. While no health insurance co-pays were sought, Ford did propose an incentive program encouraging workers to switch to health maintenance organizations and preferred provider plans.

GM's offer included a 2 percent base wage increase in the first year, and lump sum payments equal to 2 percent of base wages in the second and third years, sources confirmed.

GM's offer also set forth a job security proposal that builds on the current guarantees. GM has been accused by the union of not meeting the spirit of its current contract - which forbids official plant closings unless dictated by market conditions - because it has labeled shut plants as merely ''indefinitely idled'' rather than say they had been closed for good.

GM also offered new financial incentives to those who retire early or resign, but pledged to work harder to return work transferred outside the company to GM facilities.

Both carmakers said their first proposals for a new three-year pact provide the basis for a settlement by the Sept. 14 expiration date of the current agreements.

Chrysler was expected to present its proposal Friday, but executives of the No. 3 carmaker have indicated it could not afford to match offers

placed on the table by GM and Ford.

Once all proposals have been reviewed by the UAW, it will select one of the automakers as a ''strike target,'' so they can establish a similar or ''pattern'' agreement it hopes the other two will follow.

Each of the nation's Big Three carmakers seem to be goading the UAW into picking them as a strike target because it gives them control in the bargaining process.

That announcemnt is expected Tuesday after UAW board meetings Monday. Bargaining is then expected to intensify at the target company until an agreement is reached and ratified.

The union's prime goals in this year's negotiations are increased job security, reduced outsourcing of work, and pension and wage gains.

Carmakers are seeking more operating flexibility to lower costs and become more competitive with ''transplant'' firms, or foreign-based carmakers with assembly plants in North America. Those firms have been steadily increasing their share of the U.S. market as they step up domestic production.

GM said its offer to the UAW, which is primarily concerned about job security at the giant carmaker, would help the two sides reach an agreement ''without further interruption of production.''

GM was hit with a week-long strike earlier this month when 3,200 workers at its AC Rochester parts plant in Flint, Mich., walked because of fears over job losses. The strike shuttered several GM assembly and components plants, idling about 20,000 workers and costing the carmaker about 19,000 cars and trucks in lost production.

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SEATTLE (AUG. 24) UPI - With the Mideast crisis pushing the price of oil to $32 a barrel, NASA and The Boeing Co. announced a new wing design that could cut jet fuel consumption by more than ten percent, thus saving airlines a billion dollars a year in fuel costs.

The National Aeronatics and Space Agency said the new design creates "laminar airflow," smoothing out the air turbulence that normally exists on the surface of a wing. The turbulence creates friction, slowing the plane and forcing it to burn extra fuel to offset the drag.

Attaching the new wing would cut the total drag on an airplane by at least ten percent, NASA said. The space agency estimated that for every one

percent reduction in drag, the airline industry would save about $100 million in fuel costs annually.

NASA's Dick Wagner, who heads the $22 million joint industry-government wing design project, said researchers were surprised by the effectiveness of the new design. Airlines could either save fuel or increase the range of their planes by incorporating the design, he said. Commercial airlines consume about 15 billion gallons of jet fuel annually, according to industry figures.

Wagner said the technology exists to use the design immediately on at least a portion of an aircraft's wing. Boeing successfully flew a 757 jetliner earlier this summer with a 22-foot wing section retrofitted with the fuel-saving design.

The retrofit smoothed out the airflow over 65 percent of the upper surface of the wing, Wagner said. "As far as I know there was no discernible handling problem with the plane," he said.

NASA said government and industry researchers anticipated incorporating the laminar flow technology into new aircraft designed during the 1990s. Wagner said the most likely application will be on a new plane rather than retrofitting existing aircraft.

Boeing executives said a major breakthrough during the three-year laminar-flow research project was the company's ability to make an unusually smooth titanium surface that still could suck in air and be cost-effective.

In the new design, engineers have added a thin titanium surface to the leading edge of the wing. That surface - covered by a flap to shunt away dirt and insects - contains about 19 million tiny laser-drilled holes that suck in air, "scrubbing away" the turbulence and leaving a smooth airflow across the wing surface.

Boeing spokesman Tom Cole cautioned that the potentially billion-dollar-saving wing is still an item of the future. "This has a practical application," Cole said, "but it is still in the embryonic test stage. These things take years before they're ready to be included in an aircraft design."

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COLOMBO (AUG. 24) UPI - Helicopter gunships opened fire on scores of bicycle-mounted Tamil rebels fleeing advancing government troops in northern Sri Lanka, killing at least 75 guerrillas, a senior military official said Friday.

The incident occurred during a three-day military offensive against the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam on the northern Jaffna peninsula. As of Friday, at least 110 combatants had been killed in the fighting, which was still continuing, the official said.

Violence in the teardrop-shaped island nation and reports of civilian casualties prompted an expression of ''deep anguish'' from the Indian government, which earlier this year withdrew a peace-keeping force that failed to defeat the Tigers after more than two years of fighting.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman in New Delhi urged Colombo and Tiger rebels to resolve their differences through political dialogue.

''The government of India is deeply anguished at the reports of indiscriminate aerial attacks on heavily populated areas of Jaffna, leading to a large number of civilian casualties,'' the spokesman said.

''The government of India once again calls on all parties concerned to cease hostilities and resume negotiations for a political solution in which the legitimate Tamil demands and aspirations are fully met within the framework of unity and integrity of Sri Lanka,'' the official said.

The Tigers are fighting for an independent homeland for Sri Lanka's Tamil minority in the northern and eastern parts of the country.

A senior military official in Colombo said at least 75 rebels were killed on Wednesday when helicopter gunships fitted with .50-caliber machine guns opened fire on about 150 rebels riding motorbikes and bicycles and crossing a causeway near the town of Kopai on the Jaffna peninsula.

The rebels were fleeing advancing government troops in the area, the official said.

''The incident occurred when our gunners from the chopper spotted the rebels attmepting to escape by crossing the Kopai causeway,'' the official said. ''The chopper was providing air cover for ground troops to advance when they spotted the Tiger rebels.''

In a separate incident Thursday, security forces and rebels clashed on the island of Kayts, located a few miles southwest of Jaffna town, the official said.

At least 10 rebels and three soldiers were killed during the encounter, he said.

Another 22 combatants, mostly rebels, were killed in separate incidents since Wednesday morning when security forces launched its three-day

offensive.

Some 3,600 troops, backed by helicopter gunships and artillery, were involved in the operation, which was aimed at breaking rebel control of the area surrounding a 300-year-old Dutch fort in the town of Jaffna, where about 200 government troops have been trapped since mid-June.

The Tigers have used automatic weapons and mortars in sporadic attacks on the fort, preventing government helicopters from landing inside to deliver food and other supplies, and from evacuating wounded soldiers.

The government has staged repeated attacks on rebel positions around the fort, but has failed to bring the area under government control.

Authorities imposed curfew and dropped leaflets over populated areas of the Jaffna peninsula, asking people to remain indoors and to stay out of the line of fire.

Hostilities between Tiger rebels and security forces erupted in mid-June when rebels staged simultaneous attacks on four military camps in eastern Sri Lanka.

Since then, at least 2,600 soldiers, rebels and civilians have been killed in the fighting.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 24) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Friday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery slightly higher on mediums; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 55-61.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - ABC has dropped ''Baby Talk'' from its fall schedule after Connie Selleca pulled out of the cast and will replace it with a new version of ''Head of the Class,'' the network announced Friday.

''Baby Talk'' was a new sitcom based on the film ''Look Who's Talking,''

in which a baby narrates the action. Bruce Willis was the voice of the baby in the movie version, and Tony Danza was slated for the role in the TV series.

''Head of the Class,'' which first went on the ABC schedule in 1986, had been in production as a backup series this season after its star, Howard Hesseman, left the show.

The new version will star Scottish comedian Bill Connolly, as a new character, and not in the role Hesseman created. The series premieres Sept. 11, 8:30-9 p.m. Eastern time.

Selleca withdrew from ''Baby Talk'' last week.

''The recasting process on 'Baby Talk' is not complete, and that delay means that the series will not be available for our September schedule as planned,'' said Robert Iger, president of ABC Entertainment. ''We'll announce plans for 'Baby Talk' in the near future.''

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(AUG. 24) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Erly Industries (1st Q 6-30)	
$108,097,000	$118,604,000
$1,227,000 (.44)	a-$12,000

a-No per share figures available.

Dell Computer (2nd Q 8-3)	
$121,843,000	$95,694,000
$6,398,000 (.32)	$1,866,000 (.10)

Dorel Indus (6 Mos 6-30)	
$78,997,000	$72,085,000
$1,776,000 (.20)	$2,712,000 (.31)

Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Gendis Inc (2nd Q 7-28)	
$178,909,000	$164,904,000
$101,000 (.01)	$2,960,000 (.17)

Amounts in Canadian dollars.

GRC Intl Inc (4th Q 6-30)	
$34,185,000	$31,039,000
a-$863,000 (.10)	d-$1,838,000

a-Income from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

Grow Group (4th Q 6-30)
$121,641,000 $120,726,000
$2,475,000 (.22) $1,272,000 (.10)

Guilford Mills (4th Q 7-1)
$157,653,000 $185,008,000
$7,629,000 (.84) $11,672,000 (1.18)

Guillevin Intl (2nd Q 7-31)
$113,600,000 $110,200,000
$399,000 (.05) $1,600,000 (.26)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Hudson General (Year 6-30)
$130,364,000 $116,486,000
a-$1,068,000 (.86) d-$2,991,000
a-Income from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

IFR Systems Inc (4th Q 6-30)
$52,026,000 $48,756,000
$6,821,000 (1.15) $6,724,000 (1.12)

Intl Aluminum (4th Q 6-30)
$51,342,000 $56,337,000
a-$4,671,000 (1.06) $3,490,000 (.77)
a-Includes a $926,000 (.21) gain on the sale of an idle facility.

Intl Rectifier (Year 6-30)
$229,863,000 $195,609,000
$2,157,000 (.18) d-$12,680,000
d-Deficit.

Jamesway Corp (2nd Q 8-4)
$216,603,000 a-$201,108,000
d-$871,000 $931,000 (.07)
a-Period ended July 29.
Deficit.

Nordson Corp (3rd Q 7-29)
$82,676,000 $70,781,000
$6,706,000 (.70) $8,578,000 (.89)

Oxford Properties (6 Mos 6-30)
$46,000,000 $36,100,000

d-$5,600,000 d-$3,600,000
d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

PCA Intl (2nd Q 7-29)
$26,034,000 $26,169,000
$203,000 (.03) d-$168,000
d-Deficit.

Peoples Jewellers (1st Q 6-30)
$43,960,000 $42,488,000
ad-$3,792,000 d-$4,004,000
ad-Deficit, after net loss from equity in Zale Corp.
d-Deficit.

Sharper Image (2nd Q 7-31)
$41,163,000 $44,081,000
d-$1,565,000 $93,000 (.01)
d-Deficit.

Smithfield Foods (1st Q 7-29)
$236,064,000 $171,888,000
$2,065,000 (.29) d-$1,588,000
d-Deficit.

Sudbury Inc (4th Q 5-31)
$113,151,000 $142,364,000
ad-$1,486,000 d-$3,097,000
ad-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

Waxman Indus (4th Q 6-30)
$110,892,000 $94,560,000
$1,378,000 (.14) $2,180,000 (.24)

Woodward's Ltd (2nd Q 7-28)
$151,200,000 $158,300,000
d-$6,900,000 d-$14,900,000
d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

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#90236u0985 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
HOUSTON (AUG. 24) UPI - Washington Redskins wide receiver Ricky Sanders pleaded not guilty Friday to charges of aggravated assault and failure to stop and render aid stemming from an incident at a Houston topless bar.

Sanders, 27, was arraigned before state District Judge Donald Shipley on the felony charges. Trial was set for Oct. 22.

Aggravated assault is punishable by a prison term of two to 10 years and as much as $10,000 in fines. Failure to stop and render aid has a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a $5,000 fine.

''I'm just trying to concentrate on playing football,'' Sanders said. ''I'm not letting this affect me at all.''

Sanders was indicted Wednesday by a Harris County grand jury. He originally had been charged with attempted murder and aggravated assault after a May 1 incident outside the Men's Club, a Houston topless bar.

''We want to get this over with as quickly as possible,'' said Sanders' attorney, Wendell Odom. ''We're looking forward to going to trial and I think the facts will show that Ricky was just trying to leave the parking lot that night.''

Sanders had come to Houston to watch a Houston Rockets-Los Angeles Lakers game and went to the club with friends after the game. The incident occurred after Sanders realized the hubcaps on his father-in-law's Cadillac were missing and argued with parking attendant Sam Jamus.

Sanders claimed the hubcaps were stolen while he was in the club while parking attendants said the hubcaps were already gone when Sanders arrived at the club.

Jamus, 29, claimed Sanders struck him with the car and drove off. Jamus, who has since filed a $5,000 personal injury lawsuit, spent six days in the hospital, four in an intensive care unit being treated for head injuries.

''I think it's a solid case,'' Assistant District Attorney Marc Brown said earlier this week. Brown said he would not pursue the attempted murder charge because he thought the grand jury would not return an indictment on that charge.

''I'm surprised they came with the aggravated assault charge,'' Odom said. ''We thought they would come with the failure to render aid. I think the fact he is somewhat of a celebrity had something to do with it.''

Sanders, who has been with the Redskins since 1986, has played in both of Washington's preseason games this season, and expects to play in Saturday's preseason game at Cleveland. He previously played for the Houston Gamblers of the USFL.

#90236u0988 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
PRETORIA, South Africa (AUG. 24) UPI - The government announced a major crackdown on a surge of black violence Friday, imposing emergency laws in the hardest-hit areas that give police sweeping powers to arrest and disarm rival black factions of all weapons.

But African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela immediately attacked the move as ''totally useless'' and said it amounted to the imposition of a formal state of emergency in the areas.

''My own view is that it is not necessary to impose a state of emergency anywhere in the country because a state of emergency has shown that it is absolutely ineffective,'' Mandela said after an hour-long meeting with President Frederik de Klerk.

Mandela had met de Klerk not to discuss the crackdown but as a follow-up to an Aug 6. between the ANC and the government, which cleared obstacles to power-sharing negotiations. Mandela said he did not believe the latest emergency rules would disrupt the talks process.

Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok gave notice of the emergency rules in an order in a Government Gazette declaring that 19 magisterial districts, which include 27 black townships around Johannesburg, are immediately under the orders.

Vlok acknowledged the imposition of the powers ''could be harmful to the image of the country,'' but said the violence, having left more than 500 people dead and 1,500 hurt in 12 days, must stop.

''I want to once again seriously and urgently appeal to all responsible leaders in these areas to give their full cooperation in order to calm emotions and to assist in ending the violence,'' Vlok told reporters. ''It is in the interests of South Africa and all its inhabitants that further bloodshed, disorder and chaos be prevented at all costs.''

De Klerk had earlier said, ''We will not allow anarchy.''

The government invoked the emergency powers under provisions unused to date in terms of the Public Safety Act of 1953, permitting the declaration of ''unrest areas'' for a maximum period of three months, unless extended.

The act gives police broad powers to detain any person without trial for as long as the regulations remain in force and includes wide search-and-seizure powers and conditions limiting the liability of police officers enforcing the provisions.

Vlok also invoked the Dangerous Weapons Act of 1968, which allows the

seizure of 33 types of dangerous weapons, including swords, battle-axes, petrol bombs, stones, garden forks, screwdrivers, and spears.

The measures effectively forbid rival groups from congregating and carrying traditional township weapons if police believe they are massing to ''kill, assault, attack or injure another person or persons or cause damage to any property.''

Vlok said the strength of the police, backed by the army, will be drastically increased in the listed areas. The military said Friday it was mobilizing an unspecified number of reserve forces to help police quell the violence.

''The aim of these measures is to institute purposeful steps to end the violence through the implementation of additional capabilities and strength of security force numbers,'' Vlok said.

Commissioner of Police Gen. Johan van der Merwe assured reporters that although police had the power to remove anyone at the scene of violence in the listed areas, they would not be doing so.

De Klerk said during a television interview that if the new measures proved insufficient, they would be supplemented. ''I give the assurance that ... the negotiating process will be allowed to continue,'' he said of the run-up to power-sharing negotiations clouded by the killings.

The president on June 8 lifted a 4-year-old national state of emergency in three of four provinces that gave police wide powers to quash anti-government and other civil unrest. He maintained the emergency in hard-hit Natal and noted Friday the latest measures were to be ''short-term'' and ''limited.''

The latest feuding, between Zulus of the Inkatha movement and the predominantly Xhosa supporters of the anti-apartheid African National Congress, had Zulus threatening to go into war formation in the western township of Kagiso, witnesses said.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and

mediums 61-64.

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#90236u1019 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 24) UPI - The Pentagon has called up the reserves for the first time in 20 years. The first reserves called up are from units based in Mississippi, New York, New Jersey, Texas, Maryland and Massachusetts. The order calls on six Air National Guard and Air Force reserve cargo-hauling units to mobilize for duty in Saudi Arabia. Today's move follows yesterday's authorization by Defense Secretary Cheney to begin calling up nearly 50-thousand reservists.

Iraqi troops have surrounded at least seven embassies in Kuwait city, where officials say soldiers have stopped people from entering at least two of the diplomatic compounds. In the words of a Norwegian Foreign Ministry spokesman- ''The embassies now appear to be under siege.''

South Africa today announced a major crackdown on a surge of black factional strife, imposing emergency laws encompassing 27 black townships around Johannesburg. The order gives police sweeping powers to arrest and disarm rival factions of all weapons... and it takes effect immediately. South Africa's law and order minister acknowledges that the crackdown may harm the nation's image. But he says the violence that has killed more than 500 people and injured 15-hundred others in 12 days must stop.

Moslem security sources say Moslem and Syrian officials are working to free Irish hostage Brian Keenan. The sources indicate that Keenan may be taken to Damascus to be handed over to Irish diplomats. One source indicates that the deal possibly involves paying a ransom to kidnappers, believed linked to Iran.

American servicemen and women in the Philippines are being warned against possible communist rebel attacks as preparations begin for talks on the future of U-S bases in the island nation. Rebels have vowed to continue attacks against American military targets until U-S bases are dismantled.

Another signal that the nation's economy is nearing a recession. The Commerce Department says the total output of U-S goods and services rose by only one-point-two percent in the second quarter of the year. And, private economists have warned that a time of negative or near-zero growth lies ahead.

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#90236u1036 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
MIAMI (AUG. 24) UPI - The landmark CenTrust Financial Center will be placed on the block in November as part of the Resolution Trust Corp.'s

auction of property seized from insolvent thrifts, the auctioneer said Friday.

"We call it the crown jewel of the auction. It is a magnificent building," said James Gall Jr., chairman of Auction Co. of America, the Miami company which will conduct the auction.

The CenTrust tower, designed by architect I.M. Pei, is one of Miami's most visible landmarks, particularly at night, when the glass tower is often bathed in colored light.

"It will be the first property sold in the satellite auction. It is probably the largest single item ever to cross the auction block," he said. The RTC announced the sale of the building late Thursday. "We have already this morning received interest on the Centrust tower from around the world " Gall said.

Gall said regulators have yet to set a minimum acceptable bid for the 47-story building, but those wanting to bid will have demonstrate their good faith with a $2 million cashier's check.

The federal goverment took contol of the tower in February when it seized an insolvent CenTrust Bank, in one of the largest such takeovers in the nation. Regulators have said the bailout could cost taxpayers $2 billion.

Gall declined to estimate what the building could fetch. "I really don't know. But we do expect competitive bidding, and our goal is market value," he said.

The auction will be held Nov. 15 in Dallas, with satellite sites in Miami, New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Denver, London, Tokyo, Houston, New Orleans, San Antonio, Texas, and Phoenix, Ariz.

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#90236u1044 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (AUG. 24) UPI - Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani said Friday that Tehran backed U.N. sanctions against Iraq, and called on Baghdad to pull its forces out of Kuwait, the official Islamic Republic News Agency reported.

But the Iranian president also said Iran opposed the presence of a multinational force in the region.

Speaking at prayer ceremonies in Tehran, the president said Iran was trying to bring about a peaceful solution to the crisis ''and prevent the outbreak of any armed clash in this region.''

He did not say whether Iran was ready to play a mediating role between Iraq and the conservative Arab states in the region. Tehran played host Thursday to Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al Ahmed Al Sabah and to a Jordanian delegation.

Iran's own relations with Baghdad took a dramatic turn for the better last week when Iraqi President Saddam Hussein made sweeping concessions to Rafsanjani in a bid to end the 10-year-long Iran-Iraq conflict.

Iraq has since pulled out of Iranian territory taken during the Persian Gulf crisis, returned thousands of Iranian prisoners of war and has expressed willingness to sign a peace agreement with Iran, accepting a division of the Shatt al Arab waterway between the two countries.

The prisoner exchanges continued Friday, and Baghdad has also allowed more than 40,000 Iranians trapped in Kuwait after the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion to return home by an overland route.

Despite Iraq's peace gestures, Iran has repeatedly said it stood by the stance it adopted at the start of the current crisis and wanted Iraqi troops to pull out of Kuwaiti territory.

''The Iraqi aggression against Kuwait revealed that Baghdad was an expansionist government,'' Rafsanjani said. He said Iran supports U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

IRNA quoted him as saying, ''The world acknowledged that Iraq has been the aggressor in the 1980-88 war and we have resisted justly.'' Iran had ''gained an ultimate victory'' with the Iraqi acceptance of its demands, Rafsanjani said.

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OMAHA (AUG. 24) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves None.

Hogs 1,000; butchers steady; No 1-3 220-260 lb 53.50-53.75, instances 53.85; sows under 500 lb steady to 50 lower, over 500 lb 2.00 lower; No 1-3 350-500 lb 46.50-46.75, few 47.00-47.25, No 2-3 500-650 lb 47.50-50.00.

Sheep None.

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#90236u1080 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

HILLSBORO, OR (AUG. 24) UPI - When sheriff's deputy Dawn Overman cruises

down Main Street in her white patrol car with its shiny gold shield on the door, heads turn and people even applaud.

No dull sedan for this lady deputy. She drives a growling, 1971 Corvette Stingray equipped with siren and flashing red lights.

The car would probably outrun most of the vehicles on the road but Overman never chases bad guys with her flashy wheels. She just lets them read what's written across the hood and rear fenders:

''This Car Seized in a Drug Raid.''

The car made its debut in a Fourth of July parade.

''At first everybody was craning their necks to see what it was,'' said Overman. ''Then they saw what was written on the fenders and they started to applaud.''

The Corvette was seized from a Portland cocaine dealer in 1989 and turned over to the Washington County Sheriff's Office by the Regional Organized Crime Narcotics Task Force. Sometimes seized cars are used for undercover work but usually they are sold at auction, with the proceeds going for drug enforcement.

But Sheriff Bill Probstfield tried a different tactic. He turned it into a billboard for his narcotics unit.

''It carries a message,'' said the sheriff. ''If you are going to break drug laws, you are going to pay the price, and it might not be a fine, jail time or probation.

''To a lot of young people, losing a car is a lot stiffer penalty,'' Probstfield said.

The aging Corvette was overhauled with volunteer labor and a body shop donated a paint job.

''All we had to pay for was the star on the door, the gold striping and the the light bar,'' the sheriff said.

Probstfield said the Corvette isn't practical for patrol work because it is too small and burns too much gas. But it is perfect for law enforcement education programs.

Overman drives the car to schools and other gatherings. She is frequently the driver for McGruff, the crime dog, and the Corvette is equipped with a trailer hitch to pull a talking robot that is is used to give anti-crime lectures to elementary school children.

''It gets the kids' attention,'' she said.

The sheriff said he plans to keep the Corvette on the force for a couple of years ''until the novelty wears off,'' then sell it.

Sgt. Rick Gordon, the sheriff's fleet manager, estimates the Corvette is worth about $20,000.

There appear to be plenty of ready buyers. While Probstfield was showing off the car to reporters, a man in a Lincoln drove up, rolled down his window and offered to write out a check on the spot.

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#90236u1084 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 23) UPI - Iraqi troops surrounded several embassies in Kuwait Friday, reportedly preventing people from entering and leaving some missions, as a midnight deadline to close all foreign embassies in the occupied city neared.

Iraq also told U.S. diplomats in Baghdad they would not be allowed to leave Iraq as long as the United States defied the order and kept open its embassy in the occupied Kuwait city.

The showdown between Iraqi authorities and the defiant foreign diplomats has fast become the most serious in the Persian Gulf crisis, triggered three weeks ago when Iraq invaded Kuwait.

The United States, the 12-member European Community, China, Japan, Yugoslavia, Austria and other nations have refused the order to close the embassies, saying it would be a tacit admission that Iraq's announced annexation of the oil rich emirate was valid.

The Soviet Union, which initially agreed to stand firm with the others, evacuated all personnel from its embassy and flew them home, a Soviet spokesman said in Moscow.

In other developments Friday:

- Jordan agreed to reopen its border with Iraq and allow a maximum of 20,000 refugees a day into the kingdom. Jordan had closed its border with Iraq Wednesday, saying it could not accommodate more refugees, but 26,000 people, most of them Arab nationals, crossed into Jordan Thursday despite the order.

- Only half of OPEC's 13 ministers agreed to attend an emergency weekend meeting in Vienna, suggesting the cartel is split over a Saudi proposal to

raise production quotas to counter shortages caused by a U.N. embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil.

- The five permanent members of the United Nations continued their efforts to work out an agreement that would provide for multinational enforcement of economic sanctions against Iraq and Kuwait.

- Iran repeated its intention to honor the embargo, but condemned the West for sending troops into the region and said it would ''not scorn'' its long-time foe Iraq.

- Western officials further condemned a televised meeting between Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and a dozen British hostages, with White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater calling it ''sick beyond expression.''

At a news conference in Kennebunkport, Maine, Fitzwater confirmed the presence of Iraqi troops around the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait city, but said Washington was in contact with Ambassador Nathaniel Howell.

''Iraqi forces of one kind or another are around the embassy,'' Fitzwater told reporters. ''They have not made any moves on the embassy or intruded in any fashion, but they are present.''

In a special television broadcast, Sweden's Foreign Minister Sten Andersson announced Friday Iraqi troops were patrolling around the British Japanese, West German, Swedish, Norwegian, Hungarian and Romanian embassies.

Norwegian Ambassador Hans Wilhelm Longva told his foreign ministry that Iraqi troops had stoped people who tried to enter the mission and British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said troops were also preventing movement in and out of the British Embassy.

The United States kept a small staff - believed to be less than 10 people - in the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait and moved the rest over land to Baghdad, where they had been expected to leave the country under the protection of diplomatic immunity.

But Fitzwater said Iraqi authorities told the workers they were to remain in Baghdad until the rest of the staff evacuated the mission in Kuwait. He said Iraq had ''reneged'' on its promise to respect the diplomatic immunity of the embassy staff that left Kuwait and called the incident ''another troublesome element in the overall pattern of harassment and hostage-taking activity.''

Fitzwater said Thursday he did not know how many of the 62 embassies in Kuwait would remain open, but the majority of nations indicated they would comply with a U.N. resolution that deemed the annexation of Kuwait illegal.

Lebanon, however, recalled its ambassador for consultations while India said it would close its mission and Brazil said it would close temporarily.

In Moscow, Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh said Friday all Soviet diplomats had left Kuwait and returned to Moscow on a flight from Baghdad Thursday night.

''The situation made it impossible for them to do their work there,'' Gremitskikh said. ''The Soviet government decided to evacuate all its citizens from Kuwait in the interests of security of people.''

He said despite the fact that ''as of today the embassy is empty'' and is closed for practical purposes, under international law the Soviet Embassy had not officially been closed.

Foreign mission officials said most of the embassies that remained open in Kuwait were each staffed by only a handful of personnel, in some cases a single ambassador. They indicated the diplomats remaining were told not to resist if forced to move by Iraqi troops.

Iraq has said diplomats who stay in Kuwait past the Friday deadline would lose their diplomatic status, indicating they would face a possible roundup along with other foreign nationals.

Iraq has been moving foreigners to key military and economic sites to guard against strikes by the Western and Asian force that has been deployed to the gulf region since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. The United States has sent an estimated 30,000 troops to Saudi Arabia, its chief supplier of oil.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said the number of confirmed Americans detained by Iraq had reached 56 - 41 from Iraq and 15 from Kuwait.

In Bagdhad, British Broadcasting Corp. reporter John Simpson said Iraqi officials apparently believed Saddam's televised meeting with British hostages would improve British public opinion of Iraq.

Instead, the televised meeting - in which Saddam patted the heads of children and told their parents he shared their anguish - has been universally condemned.

Fitzwater said the controversial tape, aired over Baghdad television and picked up by networks worldwide, showed the ''cynical and inhumane view he (Saddam) holds of human life,'' adding the tape, which he said President Bush watched, was ''sick beyond description.''

Simpson described Baghdad as ''quiet and silent.'' He said streets were virtually empty but armored personnel carriers were out, especially near the television building.

''It's not on a war footing. I don't think it is right to say that,'' Simpson said in one of his reports. ''There is a sort of sense of tension, of stress, that surprised me after my previous visit.''

Also Friday, Austrian President Kurt Waldheim arrived in Amman for talks with Jordan's King Hussein and was expected to travel to Baghdad Saturday in hopes of playing a role of mediator in the 3-week-old gulf crisis.

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#90236u1088 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (AUG. 24) UPI - Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis said Friday that western Europe was the only guarantor of independence for Lithuania.

''Either Europe helps Lithuania to rejoin Europe, or Europe rejects the Baltic states and forces them to remain in the Soviet Union,'' Landsbergis said.

The Lithuanian president was in Copenhagen Friday on a two-day official working visit as the guest of Danish Prime Minister Poul Schluter.

''The time is coming when the European states will have to see the situation as it is and make their decisions accordingly,'' Landsbergis said.

''The West says it wants to support (Soviet President Mikhail) Gorbachev, but does not seem to realize that to do this, they must support the Baltic states. We are the ones who have given Gorbachev most assistance in bringing about real change in the Soviet Union,'' Landsbergis said.

The Lithuanian president added that Lithuania had the right to take its independence and sovereignty, ''things which could never be a gift from Moscow.''

''If we find an agreement whereby they think that they are giving us independence, but we know we are simply taking it - that will leave us no problems,'' Landsbergis added.

''We have no hate of the Russians, we know that they too have been victims of a cruel system. It is this system that must be destroyed, and we in Lithuania have destroyed quite a bit of it already,'' Landsbergis said.

The Lithuanian president went on to reject the notion that the Soviet

Union could retain the Baltic port of Klaipeda as part of any agreement on full independence for Lithuania.

''According to the Treaty of Versailles in 1919, Klaipeda was separated from Germany. In 1924 Lithuanian sovereignty over the port was recognized by the world,'' Landsbergis said.

He said Soviet politicians were making ''a great mistake'' to think Klaipeda, Lithuania's only major port, could be a Soviet port ''simply because it was taken over as part of the Soviet Union.''

''If you accept that annexation, then you also have to re-draw Europe. It would make Hitler's annexation of (Poland's) Silesia and the anschluss with Austria still valid,'' Landsbergis said.

The Lithuanian president said that the most important element for Lithuania at present was to rewin control over its borders.

''At the moment there is a foreign army there. They must eventually go,'' Landsbergis concluded.

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#90236u1092 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 24) UPI - Tipsy trout were seen swimming in circles after 2,641 gallons of beer spilled into a Wiltshire river from a nearby brewery it was reported Friday.

The fish became ''lager trouts'' after a pipe broke at a Carlsberg brewery plant about 70 miles northwest of London, pouring beer into the River Biss in Trowbridge, Wiltshire, The Daily Telegraph said.

''I expected to see them on their backs but apart from being a little tiddly they were fine,'' a rivers authority spokesman said.

Anglers said scores of trout were swimming in circles after soaking up the tide of Special Brew beer.

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#90236u1113 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Pennsylvania's abortion law moved closer today to becoming a test case for a U-S Supreme Court review of the 1973 Roe-versus-Wade abortion ruling. A federal judge in Reading, Pennsylvania, today declared the state's law unconstitutional. The law... regarded as toughest in the nation... imposed a 24-hour waiting period before women can obtain an abortion. The measure also required wives to notify their husbands of their intent to get an abortion.

South Africa today announced a crackdown on strife-town black townships by imposing emergency laws on the hardest-hit areas, giving police sweeping powers of arrest. Officials say 27 black townships near Johnnesburg are affected by the emergency laws. More than 500 people have been killed and 15-hundred people injured in 12 days of violence between rival black factions.

Only about half of OPEC's 13 ministers signed up for an emergency weekend meeting in Vienna- a sign the cartel is deeply divided over the Persian Gulf crisis. Only six or seven OPEC minister plan to attend. The cartel canNOT make decisions on output quotas unless all members are present. Saudi Arabia wants OPEC to raise quotas to compensate for the four-Million barrels lost world-wide by the U-N trade embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude oil.

Diplomats say a top Jordanian official's trip to China may be designed to get China to delay a U-N Security Council vote on the use of force to uphold sanctions against Iraq. The senior Jordanian official delivered a letter to Chinese Premier Li Peng from King Hussein. China may play a crucial role in deciding whether the council approves a U-S-proposed resolution sanctioning the use of force against Iraq.

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#90236u1137 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - The battleship USS Wisconsin steamed into the Persian Gulf Friday, increasing American firepower in the area, and the U.S. Central Command prepared to move its headquarters from Florida to Saudi Arabia.

The Wisconsin, with its nine 16-inch guns and 32 Tomahawk cruise missiles, can hit targets far inland. Its arrival raised the number of U.S. warships in the gulf to 10, including guided-missile frigates, cruisers and destroyers.

The Tomahawk missiles have a range of more than 1,500 miles and, if fired near the Iraqi coast, could hit any target in Iraq. The missiles can carry high-explosive conventional warheads or nuclear warheads.

The United States also has three aircraft carriers in the region, each carrying about 70 to 80 fighters and attack planes.

A fourth carrier, the USS John F. Kennedy, was in the Atlantic Ocean Friday and headed to the Mediterranean Sea.

The carrier USS Independence and its escort ships were in the Gulf of Oman near the mouth of the Persian Gulf, while the carrier USS Saratoga and

its escorts were in the Red Sea, off the western coast of Saudi Arabia.

The carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower, which had been in the Red Sea, was transiting the Suez Canal and headed toward the Mediterranean Friday.

Overall, the United States has about 40 warships and up to 240 carrier-based aircraft in the Middle East.

The U.S. Central Command - which is responsible for the Persian Gulf region and Operation Desert Shield - was preparing to move its headquarters from MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., to Saudi Arabia, U.S. officials said.

Also moving will be Army Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, commander-in-chief of the Central Command.

The United States is believed to have more than 45,000 troops on the ground in Saudi Arabia. A total of more than 100,000 troops are expected to be sent in the operation, aimed at detering an Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia.

U.S. officials in Saudi Arabia, according to a press pool report distributed at the Pentagon, said American military intelligence does not indicate that Iraq has moved Soviet-built Scud missiles into Kuwait, despite a news report to the contrary.

Iraq has 36 Scud-B launchers and has modified the weapon so that the missiles have a maximum range of more than 300 miles, but are believed to be inaccurate at that distance.

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#90236u1164 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Iran's deputy foreign minister was quoted by the Tehran Times as saying early today that an Irish hostage would be freed in Lebanon. But the time stated by the minister has passed with NO immediate word on Brian Keenan's fate. Moslem security sources in Beirut say Syrian and Moslem officials have been working on a plan to free Keenan, abducted four years ago.

Flash flooding hit West Virginia early today, with more than three inches of rain falling in two hours. State police say three roads were washed out... but NO injuries were reported. The National Weather Service issued flash flood warnings in Long Island, where heavy rain also fell... with reports of severe flooding, traffic and disabled vehicles on major roads.

And... this just in...

White House officials say an ambulance was dispatched to the Bush family vacation retreat in Kennebunkport, Maine, today because the president's aunt, Mrs. Nancy Walker, was NOT feeling well. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says Mrs. Walker was treated by White House medical personnel and the ambulance was sent away.

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#90236u1175 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

CINCINNATI (AUG. 24) UPI - An Ohio law requiring doctors to notify the parents of unmarried minors seeking abortions, upheld by the Supreme Court two months ago, is expected to take effect in about three weeks, officials said.

In a procedural move Thursday, the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals formally vacated its 1988 ruling overturning the law.

The case now goes to U.S. District Judge Ann Aldrich in Cleveland, who first issued an injunction against the law in 1986. Once she removes the injunction, the law goes into effect.

Aldrich was to receive a copy of the ruling Friday, but she cannot act on it for three weeks, the period set for challenges to Thursday's ruling. Court officials said such a challenge was unlikely, since the appeals court was simply following instructions from the U.S. Supreme Court.

Rita Eppler, the assistant attorney general who successfully argued Ohio's case before the nation's high court, said she expected Aldrich to act quickly once the waiting period ends.

''There is not a whole lot of room for interpretation,'' Eppler said. ''The Supreme Court has spoken. The only thing left to do is to remove the injunction.''

The law, passed in November 1985, requires doctors performing abortions on unmarried minors to notify at least one parent or guardian 24 hours before the operation. The law allows a judicial bypass, in which the girl afraid of her parents' reaction can ask a judge to permit her to have the abortion without notifying her parents.

Those who favor the law say it will lead to better family communications and protect the health of minors by making sure someone is alert to possible post-abortion complications. They also note a minor may not have even routine medical or dental procedures performed without parental permission.

Opponents say the real purpose of such a law is to make abortions harder to obtain.

Since June 25, when the Supreme Court upheld the Ohio law on a 6-3 vote, forms for use by minors wishing to use the judicial bypass procedure have been distributed to court officials around the state.

Carole Rogers, a spokeswoman for Planned Parenthood Federation of Ohio, said some clinics have already been demanding minors involve their parents before performing an abortion, while others have been training people to help minors use the court bypass process.

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#90236u1201 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

VIENNA (AUG. 24) UPI - Austrian President Kurt Waldheim said Friday he hopes to win the release of Austrians and other foreigners trapped in Iraq and Kuwait during a weekend visit to Baghdad, but his government conceded the one-man humanitarian mission posed a ''very great risk.''

Waldheim arrived in Amman late Friday for talks with Jordan's King Hussein and was expected to travel to Baghdad on Saturday, the Austrian news agency APA reported from Amman.

The former U.N. secretary-general is expected to become the first Western leader to meet with Iraqi President Saddem Hussein since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

''If no risks are taken nothing can be won,'' Waldheim said Friday before boarding a plane for Jordan. ''The fate of human beings is in question here, and I believe it is worth the risk.''

Waldheim announced on Thursday he planned to travel to the Middle East on a personal ''humanitarian mission.'' In comments Friday, he said he hoped to obtain the release of more than 100 Austrian citizens as well as other foreigners trapped in Kuwait and Iraq for more than three weeks.

The Austrian leader said he became acquainted with Hussein while serving as U.N. general-secretary, and he hoped to take advantage of this personal relationship to persuade the Iraqi leader to allow all foreigners to leave the country.

His decision drew fire Friday in the Austrian news media as commentators argued Waldheim's visit could be exploited by Iraq for propaganda purposes.

''Federal President Kurt Waldheim is taking on the greatest risk of his time in office, and perhaps his entire career,'' said the Vienna daily Kurier. It said Waldheim's individual action represented a break in solidarity with the United States and the rest of Europe in confronting the dictator.

If Waldheim obtained anything less than the unconditional release of hostages - an unlikely outcome - his visit would be a ''catastrophe,'' the Kurier said.

Austria's Socialist government said it supported Waldheim's mission to the Middle East, although Foreign Minister Alois Mock described the visit as ''a very great risk.''

A Foreign Ministry spokeamsn said the visit had no bearing on Austria's decision to honor U.N.-mandated trade sanctions against Iraq and Kuwait. He said Vienna also would continue to operate its embassy in Kuwait in defiance of Baghdad's order for the closure of all foreign missions in Kuwait City.

Permanently neutral Austria has not sent its own military personnel or equipment to the Persian Gulf, but has granted the United States fly-over rights to transport military aircraft through Austrian airspace.

Waldheim, whose role as president is mostly symbolic, has been shunned by most Western governments since his election as president because of revelations about his past as an intelligence officer in the German army during World War II.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close
Aug. 23, 1990
Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	429.56	off 11.58	off 7.88
Growth & Income	676.60	off 10.73	off 6.36
Balanced	445.18	off 10.21	off 4.82
Average Fund Performances:			
Capital Appreciation (146)		off 12.33	off 7.78
Growth (260)		off 11.25	off 7.76
Small Co. Growth (83)		off 14.67	off 9.70
Growth & Income (200)		off 10.07	off 6.29
Equity Income (66)		off 10.96	off 5.38
Average 755 Equity		off 11.51	off 7.38
Health/Biotech (9)		up 1.27	off 9.99
Natural Resources (17)		up 0.08	off 4.27
Science & Technology (23)		off 12.36	off 10.43
Specialty/Misc (36)		off 12.18	off 8.21
Utility (15)		off 10.22	off 4.76

Financial Services (10)	off 19.19	off 7.45
Real Estate (6)	off 14.99	off 6.36
Option Income (10)	off 9.46	off 5.62
Global (40)	off 9.83	off 7.76
International (56)	off 9.17	off 7.79
European Region (17)	off 0.03	off 7.41
Pacific Region (18)	off 17.84	off 9.16
Gold Oriented (35)	off 5.64	off 2.99
Average All Equity (1047)	off 10.92	off 7.31
Flexible Portfolio (46)	off 6.59	off 4.59
Global Flexible Port (11)	off 4.11	off 3.06
Balanced (61)	off 6.24	off 4.24
Convertible Security (29)	off 7.01	off 4.59
Mixed Income (14)	off 4.20	off 2.64
Income (4)	off 5.01	off 3.74
World Income (42)	up 7.03	up 0.49
Fixed Income (533)	up 0.61	off 1.02
Average 1787 Funds	off 6.57	off 4.96
Median 1787 Funds	off 7.01	off 5.07
Unmanaged Market Indicators:		
DJ Industrial 2,483.41	off 9.80	off 7.39
S&P 500 307.06	off 13.11	off 7.62
S&P 400 362.23	off 10.23	off 7.69
NYSE Composite 168.88	off 13.41	off 7.58
Amex 315.85	off 16.44	off 6.23

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)
Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - An outspoken critic of genetic engineering asked the government Friday to suspend consideration of all products made through gene-splicing techniques, claiming they may pose a public health danger.

Jeremy Rifkin of The Foundation for Economic Trends petitioned the Food and Drug Administration, citing a possible association between genetically engineered bacteria and a sometimes fatal blood disorder linked to the food supplement L-tryptophan.

"The middle course here is suspend review on any new products," Rifkin said. "It's the first time that a genetically engineered product of any

kind has been linked to the death of people."

FDA spokesman Jeff Nesbit said the agency had 180 days to respond to the petition. But he noted the agency had not yet concluded its investigation into L-tryptophan.

The FDA in March recalled nearly all products containing L-tryptophan after the food supplement was linked to a disorder called eosinophilia-myalgia syndrome or EMS.

EMS can cause pain, fatigue, breathing problems and, in severe cases, heart failure and death. More than 1,500 cases of EMS have been reported in the United States, including 27 deaths.

L-tryptophan is a naturally occurring amino acid that has been long available over the counter for a variety of purposes, including alleviating insomnia and premenstrual syndrome.

Minnesota researchers reported Aug. 9 in The New England Journal of Medicine that the EMS outbreak appeared to have been caused by a chemical contaminant in L-tryptophan made by one company - Showa Denko K.K. of Tokyo.

The unidentified contaminant appeared to have been introduced by a 1988 change in the company's manufacturing process, including the use of a new strain of bacterium called "strain V."

"Strain V" was altered through genetic engineering techniques to produce greater quantities of L-tryptophan, suggesting the changes made to the organism's genetic makeup could have inadvertently produced the contamination, Rifkin said.

Rifkin called for the FDA to disclose the content of its L-tryptophan investigation and inform the public of all products made through genetic engineering techniques.

Genetic engineering or recombinant DNA technology involves altering an organism's genetic blueprint by inserting, deleting or changing genes. The technique has become commonly used to make bacteria that produce drugs or other substances in large amounts.

But Dr. Gerald Gleich of the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., one of the authors of the Aug. 9 report, said the company had also reduced the amount of charcoal it used for purification. The contamination could have been caused by the new bacteria, the reduced charcoal, or a combination of the two, Gleich said. "One must be cautious in ascribing this to recombinant DNA technology gone awry," he said.

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#90236u1273 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

LANSING, Mich. (AUG. 24) UPI - A reporter's nonconfidential material gathered at a news event is not considered privileged information covered under the First Amendment and can be subpoenaed for use in court, an appeals court ruled.

The 2-1 decision Thursday by the Michigan Court of Appeals supported an insurance company's demand that it be allowed to obtain unpublished photographs of a fire taken by a photographer for the Ann Arbor News.

The insurer, American Employers Insurance Co., subpoenaed the photos in its defense in a civil case in which it sought to prove that arson was the cause of the 1986 fire at Mark Video Enterprises Inc.

Jonathon Rowe, attorney for Booth Newspapers, the parent company of the Ann Arbor News, argued that the First Amendment allows the paper to withhold the pictures unless the insurance company demonstrated a compelling need and that similar materials were unavailable.

He cited a New York Court of Appeals ruling that a news agency need not serve as a private information-gathering arm of private litigants, otherwise the press would be subjected to widespread discovery efforts.

Judges Richard Griffin and Elizabeth Weaver, however, said they did not believe that turning over nonconfidential material would inhibit news gathering abilities.

''In this regard, Booth relies upon a bald, self-serving conclusion, which is totally unsupported by any documentary evidence or empirical data,'' their ruling said. Civil rules of discovery offer enough protection to prevent the abuses cited by the newspaper's lawyers, the court said.

Dissenting Judge John Shepherd said the case involves private litigants intruding on press operations.

''I believe that even where the information sought is not confidential, significant First Amendment interests are implicated,'' he said. ''Allowing civil litigants unrestricted access to information gathered by the press which has not been published would disrupt reporters' news gathering activities and divert time and resources from journalistic efforts.''

Rowe said no decision had been made on whether to appeal the ruling. He said the decision could force newspapers to routinely destroy unused information and photographs to avoid subpoena situations.

''It really does change the function from neutral observers to adjuncts of civil litigants,'' Rowe said.

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#90236u1288 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Most of the American workers from the U-S Embassy in Kuwait arrived today in Baghdad, where they expected to leave Iraq under the protection of diplomatic immunity. But a report says the group was told that they would be forced to remain in Iraq until Washington agrees to pull its remaining Embassy staff from Kuwait. In Kennebunkport, Maine, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater confirmed the presence of Iraqi troops around the U-S Embassy in Kuwait, where less than 10 Americans are believed to have remained. Fitzwater says the Iraqi troops ''have NOT made any moves on the Embassy or intruded in any fashion.''

The stage is being set for an almost certain appeal to the U-S Supreme Court for a review of the 1973 high court decision that legalized abortion. A federal judge today declared Pennsylvania's abortion law unconstitutional. The measure... viewed as the toughest in the nation... imposed a 24-hour waiting period before women can get an abortion... and required that wives notify their husbands before undergoing the procedure.

A spokesman for Pennsylvania Governor Robert Casey says the opinion is still being read, but an appeal to the nation's highest court is likely. A Democrat running for re-election, Casey signed the bill into law last November. The campaign manager for Casey's Republican opponent, Auditor General Barbara Hafer, says she ''would have vetoed the bill'' if she had been governor.

Nelson Mandela describes as ''totally useless'' a South African crackdown on black violence announced today. The African National Congress leader attacked the government move after an hour-long meeting today with President Frederik de Klerk. The white-minority government earlier imposed emergency laws in areas ravaged by factional black violence, giving police sweeping powers.

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#90236u1295 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

PORTAGE, OH (AUG. 24) UPI - An explosion at a gasoline distribution facility Friday critically burned a worker inside a 10,000-gallon tank and blew a section of the tank's roof across a highway.

A worker inside the tank emerged on fire but the flames were extinguished by co-workers from the K&M Co. of Lima. The fire inside the tank stopped once the vapors burned off.

The victim, identified by St. Vincent Medical Center as Doug Wireman, was taken to the Wood County Hospital and flown to the Toledo hospital where he was treated for burns that covered 80 percent of his body. A hospital spokeswoman said Wireman was in critical condition.

The eight tanks, owned by Keneco Distributors Inc. of Findlay, are used to distribute gasoline for the Marathon Oil Co.

''The top flew off like a flying saucer,'' said a Keneco employee who asked not to be identified.

A 12-foot-by-12 foot piece of the tank's top was blown 440 feet, shearing the top from a tree and landing next to a house along Ohio Route 25.

''It's just a freak thing. The vapor evidently just got to the point where it will explode. It doesn't take hardly anything,'' said David Haskins, Keneco's plant manager.

A witness said the victim was in flames when he emerged from the tank.

''He was burnt from head to toe. The skin on his arms was just hanging ... burned the shirt right off his body,'' said Jeannie Morris, who was visiting relatives in the area when the 11:30 a.m. explosion occurred.

''We felt the whole house shake,'' said Walt Flood, whose home lies down the street from the storage facility.

Keneco owner Ken Beilharz said the company hired a firm that was ''supposed to be experts'' in cleaning gasoline tanks. He said the company was cleaning the tanks in preparation for installing a coating to prevent leaks.

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#90236u1307 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and the opposition Social Democratic Party are trying to hammer out technical aspects of German unification, especially abortion issues. Abortion is legal in East Germany, but generally prohibited in West Germany. Kohl is meeting today in East Berlin with his East German counterpart, Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere, to discuss unification issues.

Sri Lanka troops continued a major offensive against Tamil rebels today, with helicopter gunships opening fire on rebels fleeing advancing government forces. A senior military official says at least 110 combatants were killed in three days of fighting.

A Colorado financial adviser used a videotape to tell his clients that he

lost about 100-Million dollars in three weeks by making risky trades in stock options. It may be the largest single loss in Colorado history. Hedges Security Associates limited partnership's Jim Donahue disclosed the losses in a tape played to 500 investors last night in Englewood. Donahue used the tape because of fears for his own safety.

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#90236u1315 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (AUG. 24) UPI - A Coast Guard radar plane returning from a patrol for drug smugglers caught fire and crashed early Friday near a U.S. naval station in Puerto Rico, killing all four men aboard.

They were the first deaths for the Coast Guard since it began drug-smuggling interdiction work.

The E-2C Hawkeye, a twin-engine turboprop radar aircraft, crashed about 500 yards of the runway at Roosevelt Roads Naval Station at 12:21 a.m., said Lt. Cmdr. Jeff Karonis, a Coast Guard spokesman in Miami.

The naval station is in a remote area on the east coast of Puerto Rico.

The identities of the victims, who were based in St. Augustine, Fla., were withheld until relatives were notified.

The crew was coming in for a landing after completing its patrol and reported to military air traffic controllers that there was a fire aboard the aircraft, Karonis said. The crew also reported hydraulic problems.

''These are the first deaths that we've had in the drug war - since we've actively pursued drug interdiction in the early 1970s,'' Karonis said.

Chief Petty Officer Luis Diaz, also a Coast Guard spokesman in Miami, said the plane broke apart on impact.

''It burned and scattered all over the field,'' Diaz said. ''It was really torn apart.''

Military investigators had not determined the cause of the crash, Diaz said.

''The Coast Guard is small,'' said a Coast Guard official who asked to remain anonymous. ''Everyone realy knows each other. This really hits.''

Diaz said the Coast Guard station in Miami received calls from guardsmen as far away as San Francisco and Seattle, asking for information and the names of the fatalities.

''We are a very close, small service - like a family,'' Diaz said.

The Coast Guard uses four Hawkeyes, on loan from the Navy since 1987, to search for drug smugglers, Karonis said. If a suspected aircraft is spotted, the Hawkeye crew notifies the U.S. Customs Service or the Coast Guard to dispatch a plane to intercept the suspects.

All Coast Guard Hawkeyes, built by Grumman Corp., are based at the agency's air station at St. Augustine.

The E-2C is equipped with a 24-foot diameter rotating radar dome on top that allows the Coast Guard to survey nearly 3 million cubic miles of surrounding air space at sea, while monitoring 150,000 square miles of ocean surface.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 24) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	76.85	76.95	76.00	76.17	76.72
Dec	74.30	74.70	73.50	73.57	74.32
Feb	74.10	74.32	73.20	73.27	73.92
Apr	75.10	75.20	74.22	74.32	74.90
Jun	73.15	73.25	72.52	72.65	73.05
Aug	72.00	72.00	71.05	71.05	71.30
Oct	71.50	72.00	71.02	71.65	71.02

Est. sales 21,855 contracts; Thursday 17,218; open interest 68,011 up 1,750.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	88.80	88.80	88.02	88.17	88.95
Sep	86.20	86.20	84.70	85.00	86.10
Oct	84.60	84.65	83.40	83.60	84.65
Nov	84.40	84.55	83.15	83.42	84.35
Jan	84.00	84.00	82.87	83.17	84.07
Mar	82.25	82.40	81.60	81.70	82.60
Apr	82.05	82.05	81.25	81.40	81.95
May	81.35	81.35	80.20	80.45	81.60

Est. sales 3,577 contracts; Thursday 2,068; open interest 12,254 up 52.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	48.75	48.90	48.42	48.42	48.42
Dec	49.85	50.02	49.62	49.90	49.57
Feb	47.47	47.80	47.37	47.65	47.37

Apr 44.30 44.62 44.30 44.40 44.30
Jun 48.70 48.75 48.70 48.70 48.47
Jly 48.75 49.00 48.75 48.97 48.82
Aug 47.55 47.55 47.30 47.40 47.30
Oct 43.50 43.60 43.50 43.50 43.30
Est. sales 4,354 contracts; Thursday 7,918; open interest 28,839 up 300.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Aug 41.72 42.30 41.72 41.90 43.72
Feb 51.90 53.10 51.30 52.37 52.10
Mar 52.00 52.90 51.10 52.30 52.00
May 52.25 53.50 51.70 52.65 52.70
Jly 53.00 54.20 52.95 53.02 53.02
Est. sales 4,048 contracts; Thursday 3,617; open interest 5,841 off 57.

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#90236u1318 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - The Navy said Friday it has made arrangements to get letters to sailors from anyone to wants to drop them a morale-boosting letter, a program over and above regular mail service.

A spokesman said that letters addressed "Any Serviceman" and sent to a special fleet post office number would be sent in bulk to the aircraft carriers in the region and then divided up amongst the ships in the area. The letters will be delivered to servicemen at random by the postal operations on each ship. The mailing address is: Any Serviceman, Operation Desert Shield, FPO New York 09866-0006."

The mail must be sent first class, cannot weigh over 12 ounces and no packages of foodstuffs or other goods are permitted. Regular letters to crewmen from family and friends should be sent in the normal fashion, the spokesman said. The Army earlier this week set up special APO numbers to speed the delivery of mail to soldiers in Saudi Arabia.

Despite the new numbers, items addressed to soldiers' home stations will be sent on to Saudi Arabia but could be delayed. Generally, it will take about ten days for a letter to reach Saudi Arabia from the United States, the Army said.

There are some temporary restrictions on mail to aid delivery. The major limit is that personal mail is limited to first class, but can be up to 12 ounces and include audio cassettes. Local Postal Service offices can provide details on other restrictions. The numbers, units and military postal abbreviations:

101st ABN Div (AA) 09309
82nd ABN Div 09656

24 Inf Div (M) 09315
1st COSCOM Ft Bragg 09657 (129th Postal Co/Non Div)
197th INF BDE 09315
11th ADA BDE 09656
3rd ACR 09209

Soldiers and correspondents should address letters this way:

Rank, full name, Social Security number
Operation Desert Shield
APO New York, 09XXX

-30- 2061

#90236u1326 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (AUG. 24) UPI - The eighth tropical depression of the 1990 Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season formed Friday about 875 miles east of the island of Barbados in the Lesser Antilles, forecasters said.

At noon EDT, the depression was centered near latitude 13 north and longitude 46.7 west, said the National Hurricane Center.

The depression was moving west-northwest at near 10 mph and that motion was expected to continue for the next 24 hours, forecasters said.

Maximum sustained winds were near 35 mph, or 4 mph shy of tropical storm strength, and forecasters said the system could strengthen.

''We think there is a potenital for that to happen. We're not real confident, but this is the time and the place for it,'' said Miles Lawrence, a forecaster at the hurricane center.

If the depression reaches tropical storm strength it will be named Gustav.

-30- 1046

#90236u1343 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

OTTAWA (AUG. 24) UPI - Chiefs of the Six Nation Iroquois Confederacy prepared Friday to meet to discuss the growing power of the militant Warrior Society, which reportedly has used funds from gambling and weapons sales to support its drive for power.

Leon Shenandoah, chief of the Onandaga Nation, one of six tribal nations within the Iroquois Confederacy, said in an interview Friday that about 50 chiefs will meet Saturday out of concern about the Warrior Society's reported intention to replace traditional governing bodies on some of the Canadian reserves, including Kahnawake at Montreal, Kanesatake at Oka, Quebec and Akwesasne near Cornwall, Ontario.

Shenandoah said the course the Warrior Society is setting - including what he said was support for illegal gambling and drugs - has caused a loss of spirituality among the Iroquois nations and led to bitter internal strife on several reserves.

''They're after bingo. They're not concerned about the health of Mohawks '' he said.

The Canadian government recently offered an even harsher picture of the Warriors, describing its members as criminals who were armed with Russian Kalashnikovs, Uzi machine guns, M-16 military rifles and even Chinese guns.

The Warrior Society is made up mostly of Indians who served in Vietnam or who have recent experience as U.S. Marines, said Harry Swain, deputy minister of the Canada's Department of Indian Affairs.

The society is active in both Canada and the United States.

Swain said illegal smuggling of cigarettes from the United States into Canada provided most of the Warriors' cash, supplemented with revenues from illegal gambling and the sale of weapons to Canadian Indian reserves.

Shenandoah said chiefs of the Mohawk, Oneida, Onondaga, Cayuga, Seneca and Tuscarora nations would meet on the Onondaga reserve near Syracuse, New York, to discuss the problem. However, he not certain the chiefs will find any solutions to ward off the inroads.

The Warriors ''got stronger and stronger because of the money,'' Shenandoah said. They got into cigarettes, bringing in liquor, illegal drugs. They were making millions (of dollars).''

At Akwesasne, Warriors won a bitter struggle against traditional Mohawks to maintain lucrative casino gambling on the U.S. side of the reserve.

At Oka, Quebec, where Mohawks are involved in a bitter dispute over a proposed golf course expansion on lands they claim are ancient burial grounds, members of the Warrior Society appear to have taken over negotiations with the Quebec and federal governments, according to Shenandoah.

The Warrior Society also blockaded the Mercier Bridge leading to Montreal and have insisted on maintaining roadblocks in the area even though more moderate Mohawks want them dismantled.

''If the government negotiates with the Warriors, it will make them even stronger,'' Shenandoah said.

Problems with the Warrior Society have been complicated by the confusing state of leadership within some of the Iroquois nations. In the Mohawk nation, the fight for leadership is between the Warrior Society and traditionalists in the so-called Longhouse, an organization that includes chiefs, clan mothers and natives dedicated to traditional ways.

At the Oka reserve, powerful clan mothers replaced the chief 22 times in 1988, making land negotiations extremely difficult.

Shenandoah doubts whether the leadership question can be resolved peacefully. He said the U.S. government failed to arrest the group's illegal activities perhaps because they felt the natives would be easier to control if they were weakened by internal strife.

-30- 3877

#90236u1355 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - As the clock ran out Friday on the Iraqi deadline for closing embassies in Kuwait, the man on the spot for the United States was Ambassador Nathaniel Howell, a 50-year-old veteran of Middle East trouble spots.

Howell and about 10 other American diplomats were hanging on in Kuwait under orders to keep the flag flying over the embassy and to try to keep in touch with an estimated 2,500 Americans believed still in the Iraqi-occupied nation.

About a dozen Iraqi soldiers were outside the embassy, according to the State Department, and an embassy vehicle had been rolled across the gate, preventing anybody from going in. Only one man - a non-diplomat - was permitted to leave Friday. Food and water was reported to be in adequate supply.

Howell, a native of Virginia who speaks Arabic and French, waved goodbye to his wife, Margie, and more than 100 other Americans Thursday at the Iraqi border. The convoy of about 30 cars arrived Friday in Baghdad after a 19-hour journey marked by mechanical breakdowns and long waits at checkpoints.

Howell returned to Kuwait, with its sporadic telephone service - known to be tapped by Iraqis trying to locate Americans - and streets heavily patrolled by Iraqi troops.

The embassy set up a code system to communicate with the Americans without tipping off the Iraqis.

A career diplomat, Howell is a highly regarded specialist in Arabian affairs, having served in Cairo, Beirut and in Washington, where he was a

special assistant in the State Department's Bureau of Near East and South Asian Affairs.

A burly, graying man with a close-cropped beard, Howell is regarded by his colleagues as one of the intellectuals of the foreign service. One colleague recalled that Howell was co-author of a prize-winning essay on strategy when he was a student at the National War College.

He also was given the State Department's Award for Valor for his work in Beirut, keeping in touch with the situation and Americans in Lebanon despite the civil war that was raging through the country.

Howell, who has served almost exactly three years as ambassador to Kuwait, was given full authority by the State Department to make decisions on the spot, including deciding who would remain behind with him.

The only other American in Kuwait identified by the department was William Colwell, the chief consular officer.

The U.S. Embassy compound in Kuwait also sheltered about 10 other U.S. diplomats, plus an unknown number of American civilians who have taken refuge there. The department refused to give any exact numbers in order to deny the Iraqis information they might not have.

Officials had the embassy's U.S. Marine guards leave Kuwait after deciding against a military defense of the embassy, opting instead to reduce the number of potential hostages.

In Kennebunkport, Maine, where President Bush is on vacation, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said, ''The United States will maintain its embassy in Kuwait with a small staff, headed by Ambassador Howell, to look after the interests of the American community there and as a symbol of our rejection of Iraq's illegal occupation and annexation of Kuwait.''

He added, ''We call upon Iraq to observe international agreements protecting the activities and persons of diplomatic establishments in Kuwait.''

Iraq had warned that the staff of embassies remaining open would lose their diplomatic immunity after Friday and would be treated as ''normal citizens.''

Fitzwater, asked Friday if the United States would retaliate against Iraqi diplomats in the United States, said, ''No, it would not be appropriate.''

-30- 3917

#90236u1375 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Gold futures closed 280 to 360 points higher Friday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	412.00	415.50	412.00	415.00	412.00
Sep	411.00	415.70	410.00	415.70	412.90
Oct	415.50	418.70	412.00	418.10	415.30
Dec	420.20	423.50	416.70	423.20	420.30
Feb	424.80	428.00	423.00	427.60	424.70
Apr	429.90	432.00	426.50	432.00	429.00
Jun	435.00	436.80	434.00	436.80	433.70
Aug	438.10	441.30	438.00	441.30	438.10
Oct	445.00	446.40	448.00	446.40	443.10
Dec	452.00	452.00	450.00	451.50	448.10
Feb	453.50	456.90	453.00	456.90	453.40
Apr	458.50	462.10	458.00	462.10	458.50

Open interest: 134,013 up 1,255.

Estimated sales: 45,000 contracts.

-30- 975

#90236u1376 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Aceto Corp (4th Q 6-30)	
$32,374,000	$32,896,000
$1,535,000 (.36)	$1,494,000 (.35)
Coscan Development (6 Mos 6-30)	
$136,919,000	$138,720,000
$10,743,000 (.52)	$9,829,000 (.51)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Metall Mining (2nd Q)	
$35,597,000	$41,351,000
$2,887,000 (.07)	$12,463,000 (.33)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
National Trustco (9 Mos 7-31)	

$1,341,405,000 $1,119,884,000
$58,216,000 (1.74) $58,714,000 (1.73)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Piedmont Natural Gas (9 Mos 7-31)
$355,383,000 $369,468,000
$32,519,000 (3.09) $31,536,000 (3.08)

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#90236u1379 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
CINCINNATI (AUG. 24) UPI - Cincinnati first baseman-outfielder Ken Griffey, the last vestige of the 1970s Big Red Machine, was made available Friday to other teams that might want to claim him on waivers.

''At Ken Griffey's request, the Cincinnati Reds today asked irrevocable waivers for the purpose of granting him his unconditional release,'' said the team's general manager, Bob Quinn. ''This procedure will allow Griffey the option of pursuing alternative baseball opportunities if he so wishes.''

Griffey, 40, announced his retirement last Saturday. Under baseball rules, retired players are not eligible to end their retirement and play for another team for at least 60 days after retiring.

''We're basically giving him permission to unretire and making him available to other teams if they want to take him on waivers,'' said a Reds spokesman.

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#90236u1383 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
PRETORIA, South Africa (AUG. 24) UPI - The government imposed sweeping emergency regulations Friday in black townships where nearly two weeks of factional fighting has left more than 500 dead, handing police almost unlimited powers to arrest, detain and disarm the warring factions.

African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela immediately attacked the measures as ''totally useless'' and taken without consultation with the rival groups. He also warned that the broad powers given to police could lead to human-rights abuses and were tantamount to declaring a state of emergency in the areas.

Mandela, whose supporters have been locked in battle with migrant Zulus aligned with the rival Zulu movement Inkatha, met President Frederik de Klerk for an hour after the new regulations were announced. Despite the government's action, he said peace talks between the ANC and the minority white government remained on track.

De Klerk said in a dialogue with supporters of his ruling National Party on a pay television channel Friday that the emergency powers were to be ''short term'' and ''limited.'' But he said if they proved insufficient, they would be supplemented.

''We will not allow anarchy,'' de Klerk said, stressing the violence was black-on-black and not aimed at the state. ''We will try with every means at our disposal impartially to impose law and order.''

Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok declared 19 magisterial districts encompassing 27 black townships, including the sprawling black city of Soweto, as ''unrest areas'' under the rarely used Public Safety Act of 1953.

He also invoked the Dangerous Weapons Act of 1968 to allow police to disarm the warring factions of 33 specified weapons ranging from spears and metal pipes, to pitchforks, screwdrivers, hammers, bricks and crossbows.

Police units backed by army troops will be ''drastically increased,'' Vlok said. A military spokesman confirmed Friday the army has mobilized reserve troops to help put down the fighting, ostensibly between Zulus living in hostels and permanent residents.

''Measures additional to the ordinary law of the land are necessary to enable the government to ensure the safety of the public and the maintenance of public order,'' Vlok said in a notice published in the official Government Gazette Friday.

He acknowledged at a news conference the imposition of the powers ''could be harmful to the image of the country'' but said the violence that has left more than 500 dead and 1,500 hurt in 12 days must stop.

''It is in the interest of South Africa that all its inhabitants that further bloodshed, disorder and chaos be prevented at all costs,'' he said.

It was unclear what effect the regulations would have on a worker and student boycott called for Monday by the ANC-linked Soweto Civic Association to coincide with a mass funeral for 11 residents killed in the carnage in Soweto, a city of 2 million southwest of Johannesburg.

The regulations are similar to those of a four-year nationwide state of emergency that was imposed in June 1986 to put down bloody anti-government rioting. That emergency was lifted in June this year, except in Natal province, the flashpoint of the protracted ANC-Inkatha conflict, which has now spilled into urban black areas surrounding Johannesburg.

Police are given special powers to forcibly disperse any groups ignoring orders to leave the area peacefully and to arrest and detain citizens without trial for at least 30 days but not longer than the 90 days. The regulations remain in force unless the regulations are extended.

Security forces may also search anywhere in the ''unrest areas'' without warrant, seal off the area, shut down businesses and take over essential services, impose curfews and place restrictions on any funerals or other gatherings.

National Police Commissioner Gen. Johan van der Merwe said the restrictions would not appy to the media, although the regulations clearly empower police to prevent access to areas of conflict.

Mandela said the new measures were not raised during his talks with de Klerk Friday in a meeting that focused on progress toward power-sharing negotiations between the white government and the black majority. But he told reporters after the talks the measures were unnecessary.

''It's totally useless,'' Mandela said. ''We have suggested a simple solution to the government as to how to resolve the whole question of violence.''

''The pattern has been very clear that the trouble comes from the (Zulu) hostels,'' Mandela said. ''What is necessary is that the police should monitor the hostels to prevent armed men from leaving the hostels and also to prevent residents from harassing hostel dwellers.''

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#90236u1394 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages increased to 10.29 percent from 10.05 percent and adjustable-rate notes increased to 8.36 percent from 8.31 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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#90236u1411 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 17 to 36 points higher. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	11.28	11.71	11.28	11.67	11.31
Mar	11.11	11.40	11.06	11.38	11.07
May	11.10	11.33	11.10	11.32	11.09
Jly	11.12	11.33	11.08	11.30	11.09
Oct	11.22	11.40	11.22	11.41	11.24

Estimated sales: 23,106 contracts
Open interest: 124,336 up 1,697
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.61

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday 11 points higher to 5 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.25	23.37	23.25	23.36	23.25
Jan	23.05	23.12	23.03	23.12	23.05
Mar	22.90	....	....	23.01	22.95
May	22.98	23.02	22.98	23.02	22.98
Jly	23.01	23.02	23.01	23.02	22.98
Sep	23.01	23.02	23.01	23.02	22.98
Nov	22.85	22.85	22.85	22.85	22.90

Estimated sales: 813 contracts
Open interest: 9,917 up 32

-30- 1193

#90236u1425 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (AUG. 24) UPI - The Italian cruise operator Costa Crociere S.p.A. will form a new company, bring more ships to south Florida and expand staff to coordinate expansion plans for the North American market, a spokeswoman said Friday.

The Genoa-based company said Costa Cruise Lines N.V. will take the place Costa Cruises Inc., the company's marketing and sales arm in south Florida starting Nov. 1.

"This is an effort for us to have more control over what we do in this market," said spokeswoman Jennifer Lawrence. "Previously, as Costa Cruises we were the marketing and sales (arm) for Costa Crociere."

Lorenzo Pellicioli, chief executive officer of Manzoni S.p.A. in Milan, Italy, has been hired to head the new company. Bernal Quiros resigned as president of Costa Cruises to pursue other business interests, the company said.

The company said it was "dramatically enhancing" the size of its Miami staffin connection with the restructuring but provided no specifics. Lawrence said the company currently employs 125 people at its Miami headquarters.

Costa Crociere offers Caribbean cruises aboard two ships based in Port Everglades, Fla., and San Juan, Puerto Rico, and handles Caribbean and Alaska cruises with a third ship. A fourth is scheduled to arrive from

Italy in December for the winter season, Lawrence said.

The company operates three other cruise ships from ports in Italy and has announced plans to build three additional liners. Each of those ships will be based in either Miami or Port Everglades, Lawrence said.

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#90236u1437 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Higher.

American Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Dollar - Slightly higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1 1/4 to up 1/4, soybeans up 5 to down 1 1/2, wheat up 1 3/4 to off 1 and oats down 1 1/4 to up 3/4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

-30- 753

#90236u1450 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Several embassies in Kuwait are surrounded by Iraqi troops... their staffs defying Iraq's ultimatum that the embassies be closed and moved to Baghdad. The U-S Embassy in Kuwait remains open... but most of its workers were evacuated to Iraq, where they were told they can NOT leave as long as the Embassy in occupied Kuwait stays open.

A federal district judge has struck down Pennsylvania's abortion law, which required a 24-hour waiting period before a woman could have an abortion. The law also required a married woman to notify her husband if she was getting an abortion. The matter is almost certain to go to the U-S Supreme Court.

Irish hostage Brian Keenan is expected to be released today in Syria. Keenan was kidnapped in Lebanon in 1986. Moslem sources say Syrian security authorities and Moslem fundamentalist officials are working on a release plan. Reports also circulated that Keenan would be freed yesterday but he was NOT.

A man working inside a gasoline storage tank near Bowling Green, Ohio, was injured in an explosion today... and is being treated for burns at a Toledo hospital for treatment of burns. Officials say lingering gasoline fumes may have been set off while the worker was sandblasting the inside of the tank.

The economy just crawled along in the April-through-June quarter. The Commerce Department says the nation's gross national product increased only one-point-two percent during the second quarter. Private economists fear a period of low or even negative growth is ahead, partly due to increasing oil prices.

-30- 1752

#90236u1468 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - South African police now have broad emergency powers to arrest members of fighting black groups and take away their weapons. More than 500 people have been killed in 12 days of fighting in South Africa's black areas. Nelson Mandela, leader of the Africa National Congress, opposes the new emergency powers.

Three people are dead in the crash today of a small plane between two houses in the Mattapan section of Boston. Officials say the plane was bound for Logan Airport when the pilot radioed he was having problems. The plane crashed moments later. The crash set two houses on fire- one of the homes was empty and everybody escaped from the other.

You've heard of a person drinking like a fish. In England, a pipe broke in a brewery and spilled beer into a river 70 miles northwest of London. The trout drank like people. A newspaper says tipsy trout were seen swimming in circles. A wildlife spokesman says they recovered.

-30- 1103

#90236u1469 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AUG. 24) UPI - Pro-Iranian Moslem extremists in Lebanon Friday freed Irish hostage Brian Keenan after more than four years in captivity, Moslem sources and Iran's official news agency said.

''Irish hostage Brian Keenan has just been set free in Lebanon,'' the Islamic Republic News Agency said in a brief dispatch from Beirut. ''Well-informed sources told IRNA in Beirut that Keenan was freed at 9

p.m. (2 p.m. EDT) local time.''

Keenan, an Irishman who also holds Britih citizenship, has been held in war-torn Lebanon since his abduction April 11, 1986, in Moslem west Beirut. He taught English at the American University of Beirut.

No group claimed responsibility for his abduction, but it is believed he was grabbed by Iranian-linked Shiite Moslem fundamentalists. Observers in Beirut said they expected the kidnappers to issue a statement as they usually do announcing the release of Keenan.

Shortly after the IRNA report, a Moslem militia source close to the Syrians told United Press International that Keenan was on his way to Syria.

The source, who requested anonymity, said Keenan was handed over to the Syrians at somewhere in Lebanon. The Syrians could not confirm the report.

Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister Mahmoud Waezi was quoted by Iran's English-language newspaper Tehran Times Friday as saying Keenan's release was the result of several months of efforts by Iranian officials and Islamic groups in Lebanon. He thanked these groups ''who once more showed their goodwill toward the West.''

''We expect that the West will take similar steps for the freedom of Lebanese prisoners and Iranian hostages,'' Waezi said, ''such a move will make our efforts for the freedom of hostages easier.''

Syrian security sources had said earlier Keenan might be whisked to Damascus for a formal delivery to Irish diplomats.

''There have been intensive contacts involving Iranian, Irish and Syrian officials since yesterday,'' said one security source who requested anonymity.

Moslem fundamentalist sources said the possibility of paying a ransom to the kidnappers, who are believed linked to Iran, also was part of the clandestine diplomacy.

''I'm afraid we have no comment on all these reports,'' a British Embassy spokesman said by telephone before IRNA's claim Keenan had been released.

Reports that Keenan might be freed began to circulate Thursday from Iran. Similar reports about Keenan's possible release circulated in July without result.

An employee at the Irish Consulate in Beirut said by telephone, ''Nothing new, but we are still waiting. We hope that this time the news comes

true.''

In Dublin, Keenan's sister Elaine Spence said, ''We are taking it mildly this time. We are still wary.''

Irish Foreign Minister Gerry Collins said he was ''cautiously hopeful,'' while Irish Prime Minister Charles Haughey said ''there are good and positive signs'' Keenan would be released.

A spokeswoman for the Irish Foreign Office confirmed Declan Connelly, an Irish envoy, was in Damascus, Syria, in what officials described as a normal procedure.

Thirteen Westerners, six of them Americans, are still held by various extremist groups in Lebanon.

Demands by the kidnappers have included freedom for more than 350 Palestinians detained in Israel and the release of more than a dozen Arabs convicted in Kuwait of bombing various Western targets. The convicts' status is not clear since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the ouster of the emirate's government.

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#90236u1487 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 24) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $88 to $158 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.25 cent lower to 1.45 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.25 cent higher to 0.60 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.20 cent higher to 1.92 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.80 to $3.60 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $1.40 to $2.00 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.10 cent to 1.20 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 6 to 7.9 cents an ounce higher for a

5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.017 to 0.036 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

-30- 979

#90236u1492 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1137.5
Thursday	1127.3
Week ago	1127.0
Month ago	1141.1
Year ago	1117.5
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90236u1502 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.04

60 to 89 days 8.00

90 to 119 days 8.00

120 to 149 days 8.01

150 to 179 days 8.01

180 to 270 days 7.97

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.00 - 7.95

Issuers 30 days 8.04

Issuers 90 days 7.75

Issuers 270 days 7.48

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.15

60 to 89 days 8.18

90 to 119 days 8.19

120 to 149 days 8.21

150 to 179 days 8.31

180 days 8.33

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight	7 15-16	- 8 1-16
1 month	8.125	- 8.25
3 month	8 3-16	- 8 5-16
6 month	8 5-16	- 8 7-16
Year	8.50	- 8.625

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months	7.48	- 7.46
6 months	7.48	- 7.46
Year	7.42	- 7.40

Federal Funds: High 8 1-16, Low 8, Close 8 1-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.982 off 0.032.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

-30- 1384

#90236u1510 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, Kenya (AUG. 24) UPI - Sudanese rebel radio said Friday its forces would allow immediate resumption of food shipments through the south of the country, potentially helping to avert the levels of famine of the late '80s.

Food-aid shipments bearing U.N. flags would be escorted by rebels through beginning Saturday, according to broadcasts by the clandestine radio station of the Sudanese People's Liberation Army, monitored in Nairobi.

One International Red Cross official, who asked not to be identified, said he understood a trainload of food provided by the U.N.'s Operation Lifeline Sudan had in fact already left Babanusa for the south.

The food will travel into northern Sudan up the river Nile by barge and south along a railway line not used since 1989.

The predominantly black, Christian SPLA rebels, who control much of southern Sudan, began a civil war against Islamic domination by the north in 1983.

''The SPLA wishes to assure the Sudanese people and the international community that the move (to allow food shipments) has been taken purely on humanitarian grounds,'' the radio affirmed.

The Red Cross official welcomed news of food shipments, but was unable to confirm the SPLA announcement.

''I'm quite surprised, but that would be very good news,'' he said.

An estimated 300,000 people died of hunger in southern Sudan between 1986 and 1989, with war-related transport problems viewed as a key reason for such large casualties. At its height, the death rate in food camps reportedly was four times greater than in neighboring Ethiopia's catastrophic 1984-5 famine.

Over the past year, irregular air supplies of food, medical equipment and seeds have been reaching afflicted regions of Sudan. No accurate estimates of the number of people potentially in distress have yet emerged, according to Western aid officials.

The rebels approved a U.N. proposal to ship food by barge from the government-held town of Kosti, 180 miles south of the capital, Khartoum, to Malakal, 260 miles further south up the White Nile, the radio said.

Train shipments from Babanusa, 450 miles southwest of Khartoum, to Aweil, 170 miles further south, would also be allowed to resume, rebel radio said.

Trains in 1989 carried up to 144,000 tons of food at a time, but were dogged by misadventure. Rebel hijackings, kidnapping, government interference, mechanical breakdowns and a lack of track maintenance resulted in only about five trains getting through.

The White Nile, over which many of the food shipments will travel, is among major transport arteries through the desert into southern Sudan.

The SPLA has controlled much of its upper reaches since it pushed government troops out of the key garrison of Melout, 370 miles south of Khartoum in May.

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STRATFORD, CT (AUG. 24) UPI - Sikorsky Aircraft executives said Friday they were disappointed over Defense Secretary Dick Cheney's reduction of the $42 billion Light Helicopter program - but grateful he did not eliminate it.

"We are pleased to note that Secretary Cheney recognizes that the Light Helicopter is essential to the U.S. Army's future war-fighting capabilities,"said Sikorsky spokesman Foster Morgan.

He said Sikorsky and its partner in the project, Boeing Vertol, "were prepared to respond" to the extension of the demonstration phase of the contract for two years but would not comment on the economic effect of the slowdown.

Morgan said, "It would be too speculative at this time to comment on any effects this decision might have on Light Helicopter pricing or on future employment levels."

Cheney said he will slash production of the helicopters by nearly 40 percent, cutting a planned output over the next decade of 2,096 helicopters, to 1,292 helicopters, in order to save an estimated $7.8 billion. Reducing the size of the program to 1,292 helicopters represents "the minimum requirement for light helicopters in the force structure," Cheney said.

While cutting the total size of the purchase by 804 helicopters would

reduce procurement costs by $8 billion, the extended development program will add $200 million to total research and development costs, resulting in net savings of $7.8 billion, the Pentagon said.

Sen. Joseph I. Lieberman, D-Conn., said Cheney's decision was "good news for Connecticut and Sikorsky and its workers and their families." Despite a reduction, "It is important to focus on the fact that over 1,200 Light Helicopters will be built with a Connecticut workforce."

"I also understand that if the needs of the Army increase, Secretary Cheney said the number of helicopters to be produced in Connecticut could be increased to 1,681.

Cheney said, "Helicopters must be versatile, with the ability to self-deploy to hot spots. These are all attributes of the LH not found in the current helicopter fleet."

The nation's four helicopter companies have formed two teams that are seeking the lucrative LH contract, pitting McDonnell Douglas Helicopters and Bell Helicopter Textron against Boeing Vertol and Sikorsky, which is a subsidiary of United Technologies Corp. in Hartford.

McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co. of Mesa, Ariz., is a subsidiary of McDonnell Douglas Corp., St. Louis. Its partner, Bell Helicopter Textron Inc., of Fort Worth, Texas, is a subsidiary of Textron Inc., Providence, R.I. Boeing Vertol is a subsidiary of The Boeing Co., of Seattle.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 24) UPI - A refinery accident Friday spewed a cloud of fine chemical dust into the air, injuring two workers, in the second accident in as many days at Houston Ship Channel petrochemical facilities.

The accident at the Lyondell Petrochemical Co. refinery Friday occurred about 27 hours after an explosion and fire rocked part of a Shell Oil Co. refinery, injuring three men. Both facilities are located along the Houston Ship Channel, home of the largest concentration of petrochemical plants and refineries in the nation.

"At 12 noon, Lyondell experienced an upset in the fluid catalytic cracker at the Houston refinery," said Lyondell spokesman R.C. Lumpkin. "This has resulted in a release of catalyst dust which appears to be smoke.

"The catalyst release is a fine powder material and poses no threat outside the refinery. No fire was associated with this release." The dust, described as a clay-like powder, was not toxic, he said.

The workers suffered minor injuries, apparently as they tried to flee the chemical cloud. They were treated at a refinery medical facility and released, Lumpkin said.

The accident occurred in a unit that converts heavy oil to gasoline. The unit, with a production capacity of 90,000 barrels a day, was shut down until officials can determine the cause of the accident and the extent of damage, said Lyondell spokesman W. Greg Dunleavy.

"Only the fluid catalytic cracking unit has been brought down," Dunleavy said. "The unit was operating normally (prior to the accident). We have not been able to get in the unit and cannot make an estimate (of damage)." The refinery, located about eight miles east-southeast of Houston, has a production capacity of 265,000 barrels a day.

Officials Friday also were trying to determine the cause of the Shell explosion and fire, which occurred in an oil distillation unit. One worker was hospitalized with burns, and two others suffered minor injuries in the Thursday accident.

The blast occurred about 20 minutes after naphtha began leaking from a ruptured line on the distillation unit near the center of the 1,500-acre petrochemical plant.

A crew was performing maintenance on the unit when the accident occurred, officials said. The firefighters let the blaze, fed by the naphtha, burn itself out. The fire was finally extinguished about ten hours after it began.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - Kuwait's ambassador to the United States, Sheikh Saud Nasir al-Sabah, says his country's resistance to the Iraqi invasion is increasing and is now able ''to make life miserable of the Iraqi army.''

But that resistance, he said, is also paying a cost in lives.

Al-Sabah, a member of the Kuwaiti ruling family that is now in exile in Saudi Arabia, spoke in an interview with United Press International this week in the spacious living quarters of the Kuwait Embassy in Washington.

Sipping sweetened tea and smoking a small cigar, he apologized for appearing in what he called his ''household robe,'' a long, white silken robe with a high collar.

Normally he is seen in impeccable London-tailored suits and white-collared

shirts. Bags under his eyes and occasional breaks in his voice testified to his three hours of sleep per night and an almost unbroken series of meetings, interviews and conferences at the Pentagon, the White House and the State Department.

He said many young Kuwaitis, who had been out of the country when the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion took place, are being infiltrated back into the country to lead the resistance which, he said, ''is beginning to make life miserable for the Iraqi army.''

The resistance, he said, includes nighttime snipers and, two days ago, a woman who drove a suicide car-bomb into an Iraqi military headquarters.

It also includes, he said, ''kids who make graffiti during the night.''

''Unfortunately,'' he said, ''The Iraqis caught four of them two days ago and shot them, killed them. These are brutal people.''

Kuwait women, he said, are demonstrating and this week Iraqi forces opened fire on a street demonstration, killing six women and three children.

But he believes time is on the side of the resistance, and that Saddam Hussein, the Iraqi leader, is becoming increasingly isolated in the world community, faced with a possible rebellion at home and disaffection within the military forces.

The ambassador said that Saddam has had to pull back his elite Republican Guards, who composed the main invasion force, and replace them with untrained, undisciplined young troops ''who are just sitting there in the heat and waiting. They don't know why they are there. Iraqi morale is very very low.''

Iraqi troops, he said, used to patrol the streets at night, but snipers have put an end to that. When the sun goes down, he said, the Iraqis retire to their fortified headquarters and the streets belong to the resistance.

The Iraqi military authorities, he said, have begun to move in Iraqi civilians, who are taking over Kuwaiti homes. New military occupation identity cards are being issued to the entire population.

Al-Sabah, a handsome, balding man who has the Terry-Thomas gap in his front teeth characteristic of the ruling family, for the first time expressed doubts about his government's actions in the period before the Iraqi invasion.

The United Arab Emirates, like Kuwait a small, rich and vulnerable state that was also threatened by Iraq, chose to join with U.S. military forces

in a joint training exercise in the tense period before the Iraqi assault. While Kuwait was taken over, the U.A.E. was not, and has now allowed American aircraft and troops to be based in the country.

''In hindsight,'' he said, ''Maybe we should have done what the U.A.E did.''

But, he said, ''We were given assurances by four nations that Saddam Hussein wouldn't attack. Never in our dreams did we believe Iraq would use force against us. Now this horrible nightmare has become horrible reality.''

He continues to believe that time is on the side of Kuwait, that Iraq will become increasingly isolated economically and politically, and that Saddam Hussein will be forced to pull back. But he doesn't know how that will happen.

''Whether it will be peacefully or by military means, I just don't know.''

But he is convinced that if the Iraqis decide to move against the approximately 60 foreign embassies in Kuwait city, ''That will be a clear act of war. These are going to be crucial days.''

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 24) UPI - To Dr. Lenore Terr, the stoic expressions of the British hostage children with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Thursday's video looked all too familiar - and frightened.

''Big-eyed, rather distant-looking, very serious and grim faces - that's typical of extreme fright,'' Terr said Friday.

The video showed Saddam trying to create a relaxed atmosphere in a meeting with clearly frightened children and adults being held as hostages against a U.S. attack in Iraq.

About 20,000 Westerners, including 3,000 Americans, have been prevented from leaving Iraq and Kuwait.

Terr is a specialist on children ''frightened beyond belief.'' Her recently published book, ''Too Scared to Cry,'' analyzed psychological damage to 27 children who survived a 1976 kidnapping in rural Chowchilla, Calif.

''Children don't lose control of their bodies'' in terror, Terr said. Instead, they gain a frightening, unnatural maturity.

The Iraqi videotape showed children in stiff body postures, seemingly devoid of childish curiosity, Terr said. She noted the tension in a small boy positioned next to Hussein. A small girl's fear also stood out in her mind: ''There was some official walking near her - she ran.''

Terr said children among the hostages held in Iraq could bear permanent psychological scars from the ordeal. She said children whose lives are overturned by terror often suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder.

First noticed in war veterans, post-traumatic stress disorder has had many names, including ''shell shock'' and ''combat fatigue.'' However, it was not clinically described until recent years.

The children in Iraq are already candidates for extreme fear, Terr said. ''There are certain events that will hit beyond anybody's threshhold,'' she said, and that includes being imprisoned by strangers and ''being told that you're human shields.'' They could also feel a sense of betrayal if Iraqi friends failed to help their families, she said.

Some children become cowering victims, others ''identify with the aggressor'' and become bullies. Many have ''specific fears of things that are very reminiscent of what was involved.'' The children may also create games that are reminders of what happened.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S. $ Equivalent		Currency per U.S. $	
	Fri	Thu	Fri	Thu
Argntn austrl	.000159	.000163	6272.00	6134.00
Australia dlr	.8300	.8350	1.2048	1.1976
Austria schill	.0916	.0919	10.92	10.88
Belgium frnc-c	.0314	.0315	31.87	31.79
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0145	.0143	69.03	69.96
Britain pound	1.9430	1.9575	.5147	.5109
Britain 1-mo	1.9323	1.9465	.5175	.5137
Britain 3-mo	1.9118	1.9263	.5231	.5193
Britain 6-mo	1.8842	1.8989	.5307	.5266
Canada dollar	.8803	.8854	1.1360	1.1294
Canada 1-mo	.8767	.8817	1.1406	1.1342
Canada 3-mo	.8705	.8753	1.1487	1.1425

Canada 6-mo	.8630	.8676	1.1588	1.1526
Chile peso-f	.003315	.003385	301.69	295.46
China yuan	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127
Colombia pes	.001954	.001956	511.76	511.20
Denmark krne	.1683	.1688	5.9415	5.9240
Ecudr sucr-z	.001116	.001127	895.95	886.05
Egypt pound	.3769	.3770	2.6530	2.6527
Finlnd mrkka	.2733	.2741	3.6595	3.6480
France franc	.1913	.1929	5.2280	5.1830
France 1-mo	.1910	.1926	5.2360	5.1911
France 3-mo	.1903	.1920	5.2546	5.2095
France 6-mo	.1893	.1908	5.2840	5.2400
Greece drach	.006560	.006571	152.43	152.19
Hollnd guildr	.5691	.5750	1.7571	1.7390
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1286	7.7720	7.7775
India rupee	.0580	.0580	17.23	17.23
Indo'sa rupia	.000536	.000542	1866.00	1844.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7360	1.7360	0.5760	0.5760
Israel shekel	.5051	.5043	1.9800	1.9830
Italy lira	.000863	.000868	1158.75	1151.75
Japan yen	.006821	.006845	146.60	146.10
Japan 1-mo	.006835	.006875	146.30	145.46
Japan 3-mo	.006831	.006870	146.40	145.55
Japan 6-mo	.006826	.006868	146.50	145.60
Jordan dinar	1.5420	1.5420	.6485	.6485
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico pes-z	.000348	.000348	2876.00	2877.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6265	.6330	1.5962	1.5798
Norway krne	.1661	.1669	6.0220	6.9900
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.52	21.52
Peru inti	.000029	.000031	339.825	325.050
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0423	24.63	23.64
Portugl escd	.007322	.007261	136.57	137.72
Saudi riyal	.2674	.2674	3.7396	3.7396
Singapore dlr	.5630	.5634	1.7763	1.7750
S.Africa rand	.3936	.3925	2.5406	2.5476
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010363	.010309	96.50	97.00
Sweden krona	.1746	.1747	5.7290	5.7245
Switzrl franc	.7880	.7962	1.2690	1.2560
Switzrl 1-mo	.7879	.7959	1.2692	1.2564
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7874	.7952	1.2700	1.2575
Switzrl 6-mo	.7870	.7944	1.2707	1.2588
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.89	26.89
Turkey lira	.000377	.000377	2650.00	2653.00

UAE dirham	.2731	.2731	3.6618	3.6618
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0210	.0206	47.67	48.61
W.Ger Mark	.6477	.6477	1.5440	1.5440
W.Ger 1-mo	.6476	.6476	1.5441	1.5441
W.Ger 3-mo	.6474	.6473	1.5447	1.5448
W.Ger 6-mo	.6467	.6464	1.5463	1.5470
Yugosl dinar	.0937	.0943	10.67	10.61

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.04	off 0.40
10 Public Utils	90.18	off 0.71
10 Industrials	87.91	off 0.08

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:
Stocks - 199,040,000 shares
1990 to date - 26,410,966,152
Warrants - 2,026,200
1990 to date - 166,840,600

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Friday - $51,130,000
1990 to date - $7,499,040,000

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#90236u1605 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - The International Finance Corporation Friday said it has signed agreements for $130 million in loans to five banks in Zimbabwe for lending to export industries.

The financing for the Southern African nation consists of $65 million in

loans from IFC's own account, coupled with an additional $65 million from eight European commercial banks.

The corporation identified more than $100 million in export-oriented project loans already being studied by local banks in Zimbabwe - or awaiting approval by the government - mainly in the industrial, mining and agricultural sectors.

The IFC-arranged loans will be used to help local companies finance the import of urgently needed capital equipment for the export projects. The IFC is the World Bank affiliate that supports the private sector in developing nations with loans, investments and technical advice.

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BOSTON (AUG. 24) UPI - General Electric Co. said Friday it will cut 650 workers from its aerospace plant in Burlington, Mass. and shut another with 400 employees in Huntsville, Ala. by the end of next year.

GE blamed "a shrinking defense market" for its second major layoff announcement in little more than a week. Layoffs will account for most of the cuts, the company said, but some will be through retirement and other attrition and transfers to other company plants.

General Electric said about 200 Huntsville employees with certain necessary skills will be invited to relocate to its Daytona Beach, Fla. plant, more than 500 miles away. However, there will be no additional hiring at Daytona Beach, said GE spokesman Terrence Dunn. Only a small number of Burlington workers will get a similar offer to relocate to other GE operations, Dunn said.

The company said it is restructuring its automated systems department and will transfer the work currently performed in Alabama to the Daytona Beach aerospace facilities.

At the Burlington plant, GE said it expects the workforce to shrink to just 300 from the current 950 by 1992. The company said it is transferring some product lines to other GE aerospace locations that are compatible. However the company said, "These moves will not add to employment levels at the new locations."

The company said its restructuring will focus the Burlington plant "on strengthening the competitiveness of its core business - automated test equipment...." Also, the company said it plans to buy certain components now made in Burlington from outside suppliers.

Laid-off workers will receive one week's pay for each year of service with

the company said Dunn. Those who transfer will get moving expenses, temporary housing, and help with closing costs when buying a new house, Dunn said.

Dunn said the cuts are due to reduced military spending by the U.S. government. "This announcement is really all about surviving in the shrinking defense business," he said.

While more layoffs are possible in the aerospace division, Dunn said, their timing and size would depend on what happens in military spending. Last week, GE's aircraft engine division disclosed plans to eliminate 1,500 jobs in Lynn, Mass. and Evendale, Ohio by the end of next year.

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ORLANDO, FL (AUG. 24) UPI - The average price of a gallon of regular gasoline sold at self-service pumps nationwide rose 3.7 cents this week to its highest level since July 1982, the American Automobile Association said Friday. Altogether, gas prices have jumped 19.9 cents a gallon since Aug. 1, the day before Iraq invaded Kuwait and sent oil prices soaring on world markets.

AAA said the average price of regular gasoline nationwide rose to $1.274 by Friday, up 3.7 cents since Monday. The price was just 2.2 cents shy of the July 4, 1982 price of $1.296, the organization said. This week's rise compares with a hike of 2.1 cents last week, said Geoff Sundstrom, a spokesman for the AAA.

"We had seen prices back off a little bit last week as the president called on the oil companies to exercise restraint," Sundstrom said. "But crude oil prices have been rising this week and gas prices at the pump are now reflecting this."

Gas prices in the West were the highest in the nation, the AAA said. The average price for 11 western states was $1.359. Regional prices were the lowest in the Mid-Atlantic states, at $1.236 a gallon, AAA said. Texas had the lowest average statewide price, at $1.162 a gallon, while Hawaii showed the highest average price, at $1.486 a gallon, AAA said.

The average regional price in New England was $1.277 a gallon; in the Great Lakes, $1.289 a gallon; in the Midwest, $1.281 a gallon; in the Southeast, $1.24.9 a gallon; and in the Southwest, $1.241 a gallon, AAA said.

AAA said it based its gas price report on a survey of 5,000 stations conducted by Computer Petroleum Corp. of St. Paul, Minn.

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TOULON, France (AUG. 24) UPI - Mediterranean winds Friday fanned the flames of France's worst forest fires in 26 years, killing one person and threatening several towns.

Flames up to 65 feet high roared out of control, burning more than 32,000 acres of southern France since Tuesday. A lack of rain and high winds have hampered the effort to control the flames.

A long dry spell and the steep mountain slopes has made controlling the fires difficult for the 2,000 firefighters and the airplane pilots who douse the fires by dropping gallons of water from planes.

Near the town of Cantaron, north of Nice, 1,125 acres have burned during the last two days, authorities say.

The village of Saint Guillaume in the Maure mountain range in southern France was nearly overrun by flames Thursday. Its 30 inhabitants helped firefighters fight the blaze.

Another fire destroyed 175 acres of forest Friday near the village of Mezos in the Landes department in southwest France.

Other fires started Friday in two departments near the city of Dijon, southeast of Paris. Authorities called in 120 firefighters to combat the blaze.

On Tuesday a major fire destroyed 12 villas and burned boats and automobiles in Cassis, a picturesque fishing port near Marseille that draws thousands of summer visitors.

One firefighter was killed earlier in the week and on Thursday four others were injured in an accident when their truck plummeted 66 feet into a ravine.

Authorities reported that a 500-year-old chestnut tree with a trunk 51 feet in diameter near the port city of Toulon was no expected to survive after it was badly burned.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks - 20,970,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,338,690,425
Bonds - $2,670,000

1990 to date - $472,540,000

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SAVANNAH, GA. (AUG. 24) USAVANNAH, Ga. (AUG. 24) UPI - Relatives waved American flags and screamed ''I love you!'' as about 1,200 soldiers from the Army's 24th Infantry Mechanized Division boarded commercial jets Friday and began the long journey to join other U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia.

A Continental Airlines jet, the first of three Boeing 747's chartered by the Army, lifted off from Hunter Army Airfield around 4 a.m., followed by a United Airlines jet at 7:45 a.m. and a Northwest Airlines jet around 3 p.m. Two other 747s and two C-141 military transport planes were scheduled to leave Friday evening.

Maj. Don Keeling said it would take the jets, which can carry up to 400 passengers, up to 14 hours to reach Saudi Arabia.

''We're going to go over there and do the best we can and hopefully we'll all come home safe,'' said Spc. Terry Leggett, one of about 2,000 soldiers scheduled to leave Hunter Friday.

''We are prepared to defend the integrity of Saudi Arabia and will play a leading role in any operations directed,'' said Brig. Gen. James Scott, assistant division commander at Fort Stewart, the base of the 24th Infantry.

The 24th Infantry is trained for desert warfare. An advance party and most of the equipment, including armored vehicles, tanks and artillery for the division, left the Port of Savannah last week on Navy transport ships.

About 50 relatives began gathering on bleachers set up beside the runway around 7 a.m. As the soldiers left a hangar and walked across the tarmac to the Northwest jet, about 20 relatives left the bleachers and pressed against a rope barrier along the side of the tarmac, waving small American flags and screaming, ''I love you!'' in unison.

''I feel like they're doing their job and that's what they're trying to do. Of course I worry about them, but they were trained as well as they possibly could be trained,'' said Jonie Harrell, whose husband, Scott, was to be on the afternoon flight. ''I just want to see the plane leave.''

Harrell said she planned to tie a yellow ribbon on the bannister of their home for each day her husband is gone. She said that will enable the couple's pre-school age children, who have difficulty understanding time, to understand how long their father is gone.

''It helps the kids be a part of it,'' Harrell said.

Inside one hangar, soldiers lounged on metal bleachers or dozed, using their back packs as pillows. One soldier read a book, another clutched his rifle and a third waved an American flag at reporters.

Red Cross volunteers dished out soft drinks, doughnuts and other refreshments to the troops and their families while they waited for the planes to arrive.

''Basically it's just one last contact with the real world,'' said Red Cross spokeswoman Jeannine Usher.

John Garber and Mary Anne Edinger, two disc jockeys from WIXV Radio, a Savannah station, broadcast their morning program from Hunter to let the soldiers know the community supported them.

''We don't often get to use the benefit of radio to send a direct message to someone. This is our way to use radio to tell them how the community feels,'' Garber said.

Army officials piped WIXV's music, a mixture of patriotic rock tunes and love songs, into two hangars where the soldiers were processed for their trip. Garber said the most-requested song was ''Hussein'', a parody of Eric Clapton's ''Cocaine'' that poked fun at Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	316.29	up 0.40
High Technology	306.35	up 11.51
Capital Goods	341.40	off 1.31
Consumer Goods	368.57	off 1.84
Service	683.79	up 2.66
Retail	973.33	up 26.79
Financial	369.23	off 2.22
Natural Resources	251.90	off 2.68
Housing-Const-Land	322.19	up 2.47

There was a gain of 1 cent in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	395.36	up 3.30
Mid Atlantic	399.00	up 1.33
No Central	419.85	up 2.53
So Atlantic	890.78	up 8.92

So Central	304.77	off 2.27
Mountain	105.43	up 1.03
Pacific	359.37	up 7.59
Foreign	250.91	off 2.92

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CHICAGO (AUG. 24) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Friday	-	12,868,000
1990 to date	-	1,685,798,000

The market closed higher.

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RENO, Nev. (AUG. 24) UPI - A judge rejected a landmark product liability suit against the heavy metal band Judas Priest, ruling Friday that messages unintentionally embedded in the band's music did not lead two young men to commit suicide.

State District Judge Jerry Whitehead rejected the $6.2 million suit by the families of Raymond Belknap and James Vance, who claimed a subliminal message of ''do it'' on the album ''Stained Class'' made the two shoot themselves in 1985.

However, the judge awarded $40,000 in sanctions against CBS Records, which released the album and was sued along with the band, on grounds it attempted to withhold original master recordings for the album.

Whitehead said the families lost the case ''because they failed to prove that defendants intentionally placed subliminal messages on the album and that those messages were a cause'' of the suicide pact between Belknap and Vance.

The judge said in his 93-page ruling that the ''do it'' message heard on the song ''Better by You, Better by Me'' was a combination of a singer exhaling on one track and a guitar playing on another track.

Whitehead said ''the words 'do it' are the result of a chance combination of sounds: The words were not intentionally formed.''

The judge said there was ''credible factual support from a lay witnesss'' that the Belknap and Vance perceived the subliminal message. But he said other factors prompted the suicide of ''these troubled young men.''

For the families to collect money, Whitehead said, they would have had to

show a ''clear, conscious and intentional act'' on the part of Judas Priest.

Whitehead listened to 43 witnesses during 19 days of testimony, which ended Aug. 10.

If successful, the product liability lawsuit could have had far-reaching effects of the record industry, forcing companies to screen lyrics or face the possibility of having to pay huge punitive damages in similar cases.

Kenneth McKenna, attorney for the Belknap family, said he was disappointed with the ruling but predicted, ''This will not be the last case. There will be others and sooner or later someone will win.''

But McKenna said he doubted there would be an appeal of Whitehead's ruling.

The band's lead singer, Rob Halford, praised the ruling, saying it was a ''great day for Judas Priest and for all the artists of America.''

''Artists of all kinds have learned enough in this trial to know that anything with the word 'subliminal' is like playing with a stick of dynamite,'' Halford said in a telephone interview from Mexico, where he is on vacation.

''There are going to be two-bit lawyers waiting in the wings to run out at any given opportunity to slap a lawsuit on any artist.''

The parents sued Judas Priest and CBS, claiming the subliminal messages drove the young men to make a suicide pact after listening to the music for several hours while drinking beer and smoking marijuana.

Halford denied there were any hidden messages on the album but admitted under cross-examination that he once recorded a backward message on another album as an artistic experiment.

Belknap, 18, and Vance, 20, listened to the Judas Priest album for hours as they drank and smoked marijuana on Dec. 23, 1985, before tearing up Belknap's room and taking a sawed-off shotgun to a nearby playground.

Belknap put the gun to his throat and pulled the trigger, killing himself instantly. Vance then shot himself - blowing away the lower portion of his face - but lived three years before dying of complications from his wounds.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Philip Morris	3,985,400	43 1/4	up 1 7/8
Wal-Mart Strs	3,264,900	26 7/8	up 1 3/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	2,666,800	29	up 2 3/8
Genl Electric	2,593,900	61 3/8	up 2 7/8
AT&T Company	2,364,900	31 7/8	up 1 3/8
Boeing Co	2,165,700	45 7/8	up 3 3/8
IBM Corp	2,042,600	100 3/8	up 3 1/2
GTE Corp	1,956,500	24 1/2	up 3/4
Exxon Corp	1,897,900	48 7/8	off 3/4
Waste Mangmnt	1,851,500	36	up 2 1/8
Genl Motor	1,643,100	37 3/8	up 1 1/8
Ford Motor	1,622,400	34 3/8	up 1 1/4
Citicorp	1,590,100	17 1/2	unch
Amer Express	1,541,100	23 1/2	up 5/8
Bristol MS	1,478,300	57 3/4	up 1 3/4

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#90236u1648 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Salomon Inc	2,385,000	4 5/8	unch
Corona Cp A	1,883,800	6 1/4	off 3/8
Paine W Gr wtB	922,000	7 7/8	off 1 1/4
Salomon wt Jan	642,500	16 5/8	off 1 1/2
BAT Indus	606,800	10 1/8	unch
Eksport wt	549,300	8 1/4	off 1 1/4
Denmark K wt	465,800	18	off 1 1/4
Americus GTE sc	418,000	6	up 1
Salomon wt Feb	414,700	17 5/8	off 1 1/2
Tandy Brands	410,100	15	off 1 1/4

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	362.23	220.36	125.40	22.87	307.06
Opening	366.48	222.94	125.93	23.12	310.37
11 a.m.	365.70	220.84	125.54	23.01	309.64
Noon	365.48	221.61	124.80	23.06	309.26
1 p.m.	362.86	220.27	123.98	22.91	307.09

2 p.m.	362.31	219.31	123.41	22.87	306.49
3 p.m.	365.82	220.97	124.32	23.05	309.33
Close	368.75	221.52	124.60	23.18	311.51
Change	up 6.52	up 1.16	off 0.80	up 0.31	up 4.45

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#90236u1653 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Friday	368.75	221.52	124.60	23.18	311.51
Thursday	362.23	220.36	125.40	22.87	307.06
Week ago	386.73	233.90	133.36	24.61	327.83
Month ago	418.05	273.42	135.92	27.67	353.44
Year ago	401.79	316.30	140.91	33.26	350.52
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	362.23	220.36	124.60	22.87	307.06

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#90236u1656 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	369.02	361.95	368.75	up 6.52
20 Trans	223.83	219.03	221.52	up 1.16
40 Utils	126.52	123.35	124.60	off 0.80
40 Fncl	23.20	22.83	23.18	up 0.31
500 Stocks	311.65	306.18	311.51	up 4.45

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#90236u1660 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	238.20	239.60	234.00	239.05	234.30
Dec	240.00	242.20	237.90	242.15	237.40
Mar	....	....	....	245.65	240.90

Previous day volume: 100 contracts.

Open interest: 1,341 up 27
CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	312.75	313.20	306.50	313.00	306.25
Dec	316.00	316.80	310.00	316.65	309.75
Mar	316.50	319.80	313.00	319.65	312.75
Jun	....	324.00	316.00	323.75	316.85

Today's estimated volume: 52,817 contracts.
Open interest: 141,297 up 9,394
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	170.90	171.90	168.15	171.60	168.25
Dec	172.50	173.70	170.05	173.50	170.20
Mar	174.75	175.10	174.75	175.35	172.15

Open interest: 5,942 off 41
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	512.50	518.00	506.25	517.35	507.75
Oct	515.20	519.75	509.75	519.75	510.00

Estimated volume 3,813 contracts.
Open interest: 6,049 up 711

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#90236u1667 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6200	up 100
Crompton-Knowles	17 1/2	off 14 7/8
Atl Rchfld pfC	322 1/8	off 9 1/8
GATX Corp pf	52	off 9
Hitachi Ltd	88 3/4	up 4 3/4
Fluor Corp	35 1/2	up 4
Time Warner	78	up 4
Wash Post	232	up 4
PepsiCo Inc	69 3/4	up 3 7/8
Atl Richfield	134 7/8	off 3 5/8
Motorola	68 3/8	up 3 1/2

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(AUG. 24) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	171.05	up 2.17
ASE Market Value Index	316.29	up 0.44
Dow-Jones Industrial	2532.92	up 49.50

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#90236u1671 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2532.92	up	49.50	869.71	up	8.40	190.96	off	0.75
Thursday	2483.42	off	76.73	861.31	off	33.03	191.71	off	5.10
Week ago	2644.80	off	36.64	923.91	off	15.87	201.14	off	1.45
Month ago	2898.51	off	22.28	1134.67	off	7.48	203.35	up	0.19
Year ago	2732.36	off	2.28	1467.99	up	19.20	218.37	off	0.95
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90236u1673 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	367.33	up	7.11	393.49	466.75
Industrial	390.71	up	10.27	420.37	453.32
Finance	373.44	up	0.54	390.17	553.00
Insurance	436.92	up	7.67	457.47	535.30
Utility	482.73	up	7.36	535.84	731.78
Bank	278.50	up	1.31	290.67	491.16
Transport	410.32	up	4.98	434.35	464.93

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 360.59

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 160.78 up 3.24

Industrial Index 154.24 up 4.23

NASDAQ-100 Index 369.93 up 13.34

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#90236u1680 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AUG. 24) UPI - A federal grand jury Friday indicted five state legislators on charges of selling their votes during the 1990 legislative session and the five were immediately suspended from office.

U.S. Attorney Bart Daniel said more indictments are expected.

''The vast majority of our elected officials in the state Legislature are honorable men and women who serve the public in the finest sense of the term,'' said Daniel. ''Unfortunately, however, there are some legislators who have broken that trust. That is why we are here today.''

Sen. Rick Lee, R-Spartanburg, Rep. Luther Taylor, D-Richland, Rep. Robert Brown, D-Marion, and Republican House members Robert Kohn and Danny Winstead of Charleston County were accused of taking money to support a parimutuel betting bill.

Winstead, a member of the House Ethics Committee, was also charged with obstructing justice by trying to persuade Kohn, who is cooperating with the FBI, to commit perjury.

Taylor was hit hardest by the indictments. He faces one conspiracy charge and four counts of accepting a total of $3,800 for supporting the gambling bill. Taylor could face a maximum 120 years in prison and a fine of $1.25 million if convicted on all counts.

Winstead resigned his office, citing ''a family crisis'' and personal mistakes.

The other four members of the House were notified of their suspension and stripped of the perquisites of office, including payments from house funds.

They were told the privileges would be reinstated if they are cleared of the charges of vote selling, a violation of the federal Hobbs Act which carries a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison and a fine of $250,000.

Both Brown and Lee are accused of taking bribes of $2,000. Federal authorities claim Winstead accepted $1,000, and Kohn, according to an indictment charging him with conspiracy to violate the Hobbs Act, agreed to take money from Cobb in exchange for his support of the betting bill and his work to win the votes of other lawmakers. That's also the basis of the conspiracy count against Taylor.

Daniel said the investigation began 16 months ago when the FBI received tips of wrongdoing by government officials.

The FBI responded with a sting operation involving lawmaker-turned-lobbyist Ron Cobb, who worked undercover for the government and is in protective custody at an undisclosed location.

John Harley, special agent in charge of the FBI in South Carolina, confirmed that the bureau used video and audio surveillance and used a fictitious organization known as the Alpha Group of Atlanta as a business front.

Daniel said he expects additional charges to be filed but refused to be specific.

Kohn announced last week he was withdrawing his candidacy for re-election. Brown, chairman of the House Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee, announced his resignation Thursday.

Circuit Judge Tee Ferguson, who served as a state representative from Spartanburg until his election to the bench earlier this year, was placed on a paid leave of absence Thursday at his request. Ferguson's name has been mentioned in connection with the vote selling probe.

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#90236u1683 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended August 24, 1990.

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	561,039,360	36	30 1/2	36	up 2 3/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	387,404,416	35	31 1/8	32 7/8	up 1 1/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	386,699,552	60 1/2	50 3/4	57 1/4	up 5 1/2
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	337,220,832	76	58 3/4	61 1/2	up 1 1/2
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	247,816,656	49	42 7/8	48 3/4	up 2 1/4
Amgen	(AMGN)	197,801,728	47	39 3/4	44	up 2 5/8
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	177,178,944	37 1/2	33 1/2	35 1/2	up 1
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	170,827,536	27 3/4	24 1/2	27 5/8	up 1 1/4
Conner Prphrls	(CNNR)	114,687,376	22 3/8	19 1/4	22 1/4	up 1 1/2
Liz Claiborne	(LIZC)	109,727,296	25 3/4	22	25 3/4	up 2 1/4

NMS volume 753,258,100 shares.

Advances	361
Declines	1,921
Unchanged	539
Total	2,821

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#90236u1686 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 20 to 192 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	73.40	74.95	73.40	74.82	73.42
Dec	70.55	72.40	70.55	72.35	70.43
Mar	71.90	73.45	71.87	73.40	71.70
May	72.60	73.85	72.60	73.88	72.50

Jly	73.10	73.75	73.10	73.76	72.50
Oct	70.00	70.00	69.90	70.00	69.65
Dec	68.10	68.30	68.10	68.25	68.05

Estimated sales: 7,500 contracts
Open interest: 34,494 up 705
The World spot average: 75.80

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#90236u1703 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2520.05	2555.69	2480.45	2532.92	up 49.50
20 Trans	871.53	883.39	854.01	869.71	up 8.40
15 Utils	192.53	194.23	187.94	190.96	off 0.75
65 Stock	874.71	886.17	858.74	875.53	up 11.36

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	28,521,000	35,433,300
Trans	4,015,700	4,388,000
Utils	5,006,800	5,496,300
65 Stock	37,543,500	45,317,600

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.04	off 0.40
10 Public Utils	90.18	off 0.71
10 Industrials	87.91	off 0.08

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 135.84 up 0.82.

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(fixing garble in North Sea Brent)

SPOT CRUDE AND PRODUCT QUOTES

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		

UAE's Dubai light	29.60-29.65	30.40-30.50
North Sea Brent	31.00-31.05	32.15-32.20
West Texas Intermed	30.85-30.90	31.55-31.60
Light Louisiana Sweet	31.65-31.75	32.30-32.45

New York Harbor spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	105.05-105.30	110.05-110.55
No. 2 Heating oil	89.45-89.70	94.75-95.25

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	102.65-103.10	106.55-106.80
No. 2 Heating oil	88.45-88.70	94.15-94.25

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#90236u1722 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

BOGOTA, Colombia (AUG. 24) UPI - President Cesar Gaviria said Friday he had reached agreement with the leaders of the nation's political parties to hold an election to approve a constitutional assembly.

Gaviria, who took office Aug. 7, said an election would be held early next year. Reform of the nation's battered justice system is expected to be a cornerstone of the constitutional assembly.

The justice system is widely considered to be paralyzed, overburdened by several million unresolved cases and threatened by powerful cocaine cartels.

Not specifically included in the announcement was the question of whether the assembly would take up the issue of extradition of suspected drug traffickers to the United States.

Extradition is widely opposed for nationalistic reasons and by those who believe Colombians are harshly treated by the U.S. justice system.

An election for the constitutional assembly was set for Dec. 9. Voters

will be able to approve the assembly and chose its members. The measure appears to have widespread public support. If approved, the assembly would meet from Feb. 5 to July 4.

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#90236u1726 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended August 24:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2647.28	2679.21	2459.41	2532.92	off 111.88
20 Trans	923.36	939.78	848.91	869.71	off 54.20
15 Utils	200.89	202.72	190.83	190.96	off 10.18
65 Stocks	919.90	931.94	855.49	875.53	off 44.23

20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

90.48 90.48 89.44 89.04 off 1.35

Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

134.23 135.02 134.03 135.84 up 1.39

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#90236u1727 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended August 24.

	30 Indus			20 Transp			15 Utils		
Monday	2656.43	up	11.63	930.29	up	6.38	201.46	up	0.32
Tuesday	2603.96	off	52.47	908.58	off	21.71	198.50	off	2.96
Wednesday	2560.15	off	43.81	894.34	off	14.24	196.81	off	1.69
Thursday	2483.42	off	76.73	861.31	off	33.03	191.71	off	5.10
Friday	2532.92	up	49.50	869.71	up	8.40	190.96	off	0.75
Net Change		off	111.88		off	54.20		off	10.18

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#90236u1729 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending August 24.

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~HL:FRIDAY'S LARGEST NYSE NET CHANGES

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Hitachi Ltd	88 3/4	up 4 3/4
Fluor Corp	35 1/2	up 4
Time Warner	78	up 4
Wash Post	232	up 4
PepsiCo Inc	69 3/4	up 3 7/8
Atl Richfield	134 7/8	off 3 5/8
Motorola	68 3/8	up 3 1/2

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#90236u1731 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending August 24:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	387.73	362.23	368.75	off 17.98
20 Trans	235.27	220.36	221.52	off 12.38
40 Utils	133.72	124.60	124.60	off 8.76
40 Fncl	24.48	22.87	23.18	off 1.43
500 Stock	328.51	307.06	311.51	off 16.32

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#90236u1736 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Friday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	161,077,800
Advances	1,240
Declines	883
Unchanged	2,154
Total	4,277

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#90236u1755 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - Largest net changes amoung NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended August 24, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6200	off 500
CapCiti/ABC	483	off 21

Kubota Ltd	93 1/4	off	19 3/4
Apple Bancorp	26 3/4	off	9 3/4
CBS Inc	165 3/4	off	9 1/4
GATX Corp pf	52	off	9
UAL Corp	93 1/2	off	8
Atl Rch pfC	322 1/8	off	7 7/8
Sequa pf	86 1/2	off	7 3/4
Lilly Eli wt	63 1/2	off	7 1/4
Procter Gamb	71 7/8	off	6 7/8
GEICO Inc	135 3/4	off	6 3/4
Kyocera Ltd	97 1/2	off	6 3/4
Grt Lake Chem	47 3/4	off	6 1/2
Gitano Group	18	off	6 1/4

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#90236u1762 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended August 24:

High	Low	Last	Net change
333.64	314.50	316.29	off 17.32

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#90236u1766 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended August 24:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	181.05	168.62	171.05	off 9.14
Industrial	226.12	221.53	213.94	off 10.85
Transportation	144.79	134.06	135.69	off 9.03
Utilities	86.40	80.20	80.96	off 5.04
Finance	127.36	119.11	120.35	off 6.88

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#90236u1767 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended August 24 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	129,640,300	122,825,430	1,005,600	824,800
Tuesday	194,708,740	130,329,970	1,544,900	886,700
Wednesday	175,565,670	135,269,180	1,286,200	799,900

Thursday	250,548,530	138,861,670	4,439,200	1,319,600
Friday	199,059,780	212,556,510	2,026,200	3,619,800
Total	949,523,020	739,842,760	10,302,100	7,450,800

Bonds

	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 34,631,000	$ 18,063,000
Tuesday	$ 50,992,000	$ 32,638,000
Wednesday	$ 39,978,000	$ 35,604,000
Thursday	$ 53,161,000	$ 37,332,000
Friday	$ 51,120,000	$ 41,826,000
Total	$229,882,000	$165,463,000

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Stock exchange sales for the week ended August 24.

New York Stock Exchange: Stocks - 949,523,020 shares, compared with 739,842,760 a week earlier and with 829,815,720 the year before. Warrants - 10,302,100 compared with 7,450,800 a week earlier and with 2,168,200 the year before. Bonds - $229,882,000 compared with $165,463,000 a week earlier and with $154,863,000 the year before.

American Stock Exchange: Stocks - 93,796,575 shares, compared with 69,436,080 a week earlier and with 68,410,090 the year before. Bonds - $13,720,000 compared with $12,377,000 a week earlier and with $15,409,000 the year before.

Midwest Stock Exchange: Stocks - 58,597,000 shares, compared with 48,338,000 a week earlier and with 61,019,000 the year before.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - Largest net changes amoung AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended August 24, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Amricus GE ut	61	off 11
Americus GM ut	37 1/2	off 10 5/8
Ford canada	132	off 10
Genl Automtn	10 1/4	up 9 5/8
Americus MRK ut	77	off 9 1/2
Americus BM ut	56	off 9 1/4
Bankers Trs wt	43 5/8	up 8 1/4
Seaboard Corp	100	off 8
Americus XON sc	37 3/4	off 7 3/4

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SYRACUSE, NY (AUG. 24) UPI - Gov. Mario Cuomo Friday announced a re-election strategy with a distinct national flavor, saying he would ask voters to support the environmental bond act, energy conservation and a cut in the Social Security tax.

The governor, on a flight to Syracuse where he cut a ribbon to open the State Fair, said he would campaign for a resurrection of the energy policies of President Jimmy Carter.

Cuomo said Carter ''may have failed to communicate, but he was right.''

Besides the $1.975 billion 21st Century Environmental Quality Bond Act, for which Cuomo has already campaigned extensively, the governor criticized the free market oil policies of Presidents Reagan and Bush.

He said the policies left the United States dependent on foreign sources for nearly half its oil.

Auto fuel mileage requirements and alternative energy programs initiated under the Carter administration should never have been ignored, he said.

''If we had done what we planned in the '70s Iraq and Kuwaiti oil would be irrelevent,'' Cuomo said.

Cuomo urged Congress to consider oil price controls, a windfall profits tax on oil companies and the enlarging of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve.

He also said the United States should exploit its coal reserves, and use the nation's technological base to develop ways to burn fossil fuel cleanly.

''We are the Saudi Arabia of coal,'' Cuomo said.

He also said Carter's conservation policies, such as the lowering of home thermostats to 68 degrees, should never have been abandoned.

''If you just saved and didn't waste, we could get rid of a lot of the Iraq and Kuwaiti need,'' he said.

Cuomo also said he is behind Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan's proposal to roll back Social Security taxes to offer relief to the lower- and middle-class.

He said a reduction would leave an extra $1 billion in the paychecks of New Yorkers.

Cuomo again tried to portray himself as an underdog to GOP candidate Pierre Rinfret, although the underfinanced and inexperienced challenger has had trouble on the campaign trail.

Cuomo criticized Rinfret for insisting only he and Cuomo debate, shutting out the minor party candidates.

''I think it's gotten silly now. I don't think he wants to debate,'' Cuomo said.

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WARSAW, Poland (AUG. 24) UPI - Poland and the United States signed Friday an agreement rescheduling the payment of $1.2 billion of Poland's foreign debt, Polish media reported.

The agreement postpones the payment of $518 million Poland owed the United States at the end of 1989 and of $684 million due in 1990 and in the first quarter on 1991, the Polish news agency PAP said.

''All these agreements mean that this year we will not have to make any payments of our debt toward our creditors,'' Maciej Boniuk of the Finance Ministry told Polish television news Teleexpress.

The $518 million now is due in 12 half-year installments beginning Dec. 31 1997. Payment of the $684 million is scheduled to begin June 30, 1999.

The resheduling agreement implements the provisions of a document signed between Poland and the so-called Paris Club, a group of creditor nations that offer government-guaranteed credits, on Feb. 16 this year.

Poland's debt to the West is $43 billion, a heavy burden to an economy undergoing a tranformation from communist to market-oriented. A third of the debt is owed in dollars and almost 25 percent in West German marks, Teleexpress said.

Due to the fall of the dollar, Poland's debt increased by about $500 million in the first quarter of this year, Teleexpress said.

Poland has already signed debt resheduling agreements with other Paris Club countries: Austria, France, Denmark and Switzerland, PAP said.

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HARRISBURG, PA (AUG. 24) UPI - A federal judge declared the major provisions of Pennsylvania's abortion law unconstitutional Friday, setting the stage for an almost-certain appeal to the Supreme Court for a review of Roe vs. Wade.

U.S. District Judge Daniel Huyett III's 191-page opinion, filed in Philadelphia, upheld his previous injunctions against the law.

The law, regarded as the toughest state anti-abortion legislation in the country, was passed last November by the General Assembly and signed by Democratic Gov. Robert P. Casey.

It imposed a 24-hour waiting period before women can obtain an abortion and required wives to notify their husbands of their intent to get an abortion.

A spokesman for Casey, who opposes abortion and is running for election to a second term in November, said the opinion was still being read but an appeal to the Supreme Court is likely.

''We continue to feel the law is consistent with the Constitution as interpreted by the Supreme Court,'' said Deputy Press Secretary John Taylor. ''I don't think there's any question that the decision will be appealed.''

Casey's Republican gubernatorial opponent, Auditor General Barbara Hafer, ''would have vetoed the bill'' if she were governor when it passed, said her campaign manager, Patrick Killian.

''I'm glad the courts saw the error of (the Legislature's) ways and threw out what is a very onerous piece of legislation as far as the women of Pennsylvania are concerned,'' Killian said.

Attorney General Ernie Preate Jr., saying he was ''disappointed but not surprised,'' vowed to file an appeal with the 3rd Circuit Court of Appeals within 30 days.

Supporters of the law hope it will lead to the overturning of Roe vs. Wade the 1973 decision that legalized abortion.

In Roe, the court found a right of privacy in the Constitution that guaranteed a woman's freedom to choose abortion. It has since been bitterly opposed, primarily by religious groups, who say the ruling ignored the rights of the aborted fetus.

Huyett observed that the right to abortion is not as secure as it appeared after the Roe ruling.

''A woman's privacy rights and individual automomy may soon be subjected to the vicissitudes of the legislative process,'' Huyett wrote. ''Therefore, the protection afforded will depend on the ballot box and the nature of the protection, if any, could vary from term to term depending on the composition of the Legislature.''

Apparently left intact after Huyett's ruling was a provision in the law barring so-called sex-selection abortions. The provision was not challenged by the American Civil Liberties Union, which filed the suit.

The ACLU also did not directly challenge the ban on abortions after 24 weeks, but instead objected to the term ''medical emergency,'' saying it was too vague to provide any real protection. By barring the term, Huyett said he had rendered the provision unenforceable.

During a trial that ended earlier this month in Reading, the American Civil Liberties Union asked Huyett to declare the 1989 law and a similar 1988 law unconstitutional.

Thomas Zemaitis, a Philadelphia lawyer for the ACLU, said in closing arguments that the laws ''deprive women of dignity.''

''There can be no doubt that the challenged portions (of the laws) interfere with a woman's fundamental right in precisely the way condemned by Roe vs. Wade and cases following that,'' Zemaitis said.

The restrictive provisions are either unconstitutionally vague or violate free speech, privacy and equal protection laws, Zemaitis said.

Senior Deputy State Attorney General Kate Mershimer argued that the controls were legitimately devised by the state to protect and promote the health of women without placing undue burdens on them.

Mershimer also contended both laws fall well within the guidelines prescribed by the Supreme Court when the court broadened the states' regulatory powers on abortion in last year's Webster vs. Reproductive Health Services decision.

Howard Fetterhoff, executive director of the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference which lobbied for the law, said the ruling was disappointing but not unexpected.

''I'm hoping, as most people on our side are, the law will be appealed to the Supreme Court and will get a more favorable decision,'' Fetterhoff said.

Linda Wharton, an attorney for the Pennsylvania ACLU, said the case

''could well offer the post-Brennan Supreme Court its first opportunity to overturn Roe vs. Wade. If that happens, we could wind up back in the days when abortion was unsafe and illegal.''

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PORTLAND Ore. (AUG. 24) UPI - Private timberland owners in Oregon were ordered by the state Friday to refrain from logging at least 70 acres of forest around all nesting sites of the threatened northern spotted owl.

The Oregon Department of Forestry implemented an interim rule aimed at protecting the owl, which was declared a threatened species a month ago by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The action comes under the State Forest Practices Act, which allows the state to protect public resources on private land, such as wildlife. It also echoes similar moves under way in Washington and California to restrict logging of private lands where the owls nest.

''I believe this will be an effective interim strategy to provide protection to northern spotted owl resource sites on private land while also allowing timber harvest activity to continue,'' said State Forester James Brown.

Brown said all logging activity within one mile of a known spotted owl nest site must go through a prior approval process that involves formal discussions between landowners, the Department of Forestry and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The landowners must work with the state officials to establish a 70-acre ''core area'' around all known nesting sites. Brown said that is about the size of 70 football fields.

Brown said the rule is an interim action that can be modified in the next two months, during which he will consult with his advisory committee and interested parties.

He added that compliance with the state rule may not comply fully with the federal Endangered Species Act, and some private land owners may have to place further curbs on logging.

About 10 percent of the known owl habitat in Oregon is on private land, Brown said. But the rule could impact many private timber owners in the western portion of the state because of the cherckerboard way private land is mixed in with land controlled by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

Brown said owls located on federal land could affect logging on

neighboring private land if the nests are less than a mile away.

The forester said the State Forest Practices Act gives his agency the authority to restrict the destruction of wildlife habitat on private land. For other bird species, he said, that usually means saving one or two trees.

''But in the case of spotted owls, they tend not to use the same tree every year,'' he said. ''They move around in stands of timber. They are birds of opportunity, using other birds' nests.''

''In this case, the resource is larger,'' Brown said.

The 70-acre ''core area'' is a guideline suggested by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in its recommendations for preventing the owls from dwindling further in numbers. However, Brown said it is only one of four guidleines.

He said the federal agency recommended saving an additional 500 acres of timber within the next seven-tenths of a mile from each nest and 40 percent of the trees within the next 1.3 miles. That totals about 1,365 acres for each nesting pair of owls.

Brown said the federal government can't force private land owners to adopt all of the guidelines. But he said it can prosecute them for causing ''the taking of owls,'' which has been defined by the courts as killing them or destroying their habitat in such a way that cannot survive.

The state 70-acre rule, however, is mandatory. The state has the power to require that trees not be cut, whether owls are harmed or not.

Brown also said the federal agency had notified the state it will not prosecute private land owners for ''incidental taking'' of owls through timber activity, if they observed the guidelines.

''If a landowner wants to avoid the risk, he should observe the guidlines '' Brown said.

Dennis Hayward, executive vice president of the North West Timber Association in Eugene, praised the state forester's ruling but warned that the problem for private landowners might become much worse than state officials now realize.

''It is gratifying that the state of Oregon has tried to take a more reasonable position than the states of Washington and California, which are going along with the wildest schemes in terms of spotted-owl protection from the Fish and Wildlife Service,'' Hayward said.

''I disagree that less than 10 percent of the habitat is on private lands '' he added. ''We're finding increasing numbers of owls everywhere we look.''

''A lot are on second-growth (rather than old-growth forests), and a lot of private lands are second growth,'' Hayward said. ''I believe this will become a larger problem than the state anticipates. Now that those private lands are maturing, they're going to be finding the owls all over the place.''

Hayward said the decision also provided more evidence that the owl-protection recommendations of a team of government biologists led by Jack Ward Thomas of La Grande will impact private lands, contrary to what some had predicted.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Mindful of the potential for sharp turns in the Persian Gulf situation over the weekend, currency market players bought back the dollar in New York trading Friday to push it up across the board.

Participants took protective stances by covering short positions - pledges to sell the dollar on the expectation it would descend even further - which could mean heavy losses if the dollar rallied on a Gulf clash.

Currency dealers are "just very nervous about the potential (for the dollar) to break higher based on some Mideast incident," said Linda McLaughlin, a Chemical Bank foreign exchange vice president.

"I think the bottom line is, you just can't afford to be short dollars over the weekend with the threat of military action," said Earl Johnson, a Harris Trust & Savings Bank vice president and currency analyst.

For the institutional investors shunting huge sums around the globe, he said, "the knee-jerk (reaction) would still be to go into dollars," even if the move to a U.S. financial safe haven might be short-lived.

In late New York trading the dollar was quoted at 1.5600 German marks, up from Thursday's price of 1.5445 - a record low closing price in the 42 years since the deutsche mark was created - and at 146.75 Japanese yen, up from 146.12.

McLaughlin said the U.S.-Iraqi standoff in Kuwait, where embassies refused to comply with Baghdad's order to close, helped the dollar as players expected a rush to the U.S. currency if a clash developed.

The dollar also found support in reports the U.N. Security Council might

give Washington a mandate to halt shipping to and from Iraq.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2705 Swiss francs, up from 1.2555 the day before - also a historic low for the dollar; 5.2360 French francs, up from 5.1850 francs; and 1,159.50 Italian lire, up from 1,152. Britain's pound slipped to $1.9390 from $1.9559.

In Europe, the dollar rose in quiet trading against the major currencies as dealers covered positions before the weekend. But dealers said the tone of the U.S. unit was still weak on recession fears.

"The dollar is stronger, mainly due to ... short-covering," a Zurich trader said. U.S. gross national product figures had little impact.

The U.S. economy grew by a revised 1.2 percent in the second quarter, unchanged from an earlier government estimate. Private economists had looked for a revised 1.4 percent gain.

"The GNP had exactly no impact," said a Midland Bank dealer in London. "The dollar was helped mainly on news that Iraq was moving" on embassies in Kuwait City.

The dollar rose slightly in both Frankfurt, to 1.5500 marks from Thursday's close of 1.5468, and Zurich, to 1.2635 Swiss francs from 1.2585.

In London, the pound fell back to $1.9440 vs. $1.9515 Thursday. Dealers said the high-yielding pound nonetheless may trade at $2 by next week.

The dollar gained in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively: 5.2180 francs vs. 5.1905, 31.8950 Belgian francs vs. 31.70 and 1,159.15 Italian lire vs. 1,152.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar softened against the yen, closing at 145.70 yen vs. Thursday's 145.88. Market players were selling dollars for the Swiss franc and the pound, both braced by high interest rates.

Gold closed lower in Zurich at $411 an ounce vs. $412.50 and fell in London to $411 an ounce from $413.75.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $414.25 an ounce, up from $411.25 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $415 an ounce, also up $3 from $412.

Silver was unchanged in Zurich at $5.15 an ounce but declined in London to $5.14 an ounce from $5.18.

Republic closed cash silver at $5.205 an ounce, up from $5.135. Comex silver also finished higher, at $5.187 an ounce against $5.126.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	171.05	168.62	171.05	up 2.17
Industrial	213.94	210.53	213.94	up 3.39
Transport	136.02	134.06	135.69	up 1.38
Utility	81.47	80.20	80.96	off 0.02
Finance	120.35	119.20	120.35	up 1.24

Equivalent to a gain of 39 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 199,040,000 shares.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	3	None	11
New lows	307	706	154

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	947	132,516,500
Declines	648	49,921,200
Unchanged	415	16,602,300
Total	2,010	199,040,000

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#90236u1813 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney announced Friday he will slash production of the Army's $42 billion Light Helicopter program by nearly 40 percent to save an estimated $7.8 billion.

It was Cheney's final review this year of major new weapons systems in an attempt to find defense budget savings. While cutting back and slowing down programs, he did not terminate any of the expensive weapons.

Cheney said he will direct the Army to cut its planned buy of 2,096 Light Helicopters over the next 10 years to 1,292 - a reduction of nearly 40 percent. They will be produced at a rate of 120 per year instead of the planned 216 a year.

In addition, he said, the demonstration phase of the contract will be extended two years.

Reducing the size of the program to 1,292 helicopters represents ''the minimum requirement for light helicopters in the force structure,'' Cheney said.

While cutting the total size of the purchase by 804 helicopters would reduce procurement costs by $8 billion, the extended development program will add $200 million to total research and development costs, resulting in net savings of $7.8 billion, the Pentagon said.

''The changes in Europe do not alter the need for helicopters that can serve a versatile, more flexible force,'' Cheney said. ''Helicopters must be versatile, with the ability to self-deploy to hot spots. These are all attributes of the LH not found in the current helicopter fleet.''

The LH is intended to be a light, all-weather, night-attack helicopter that can destroy tanks and shoot down helicopters. More than 2,096 had been expected to be ordered over the next 10 years, entering service in 1997.

It is expected to replace the AH-1, OH-6 and OH-58 light tactical helicopters.

But many members of Congress have objected to spending $42 billion on a new helicopter program at a time when the defense budget is sharply declining and the threat from Eastern Europe has all but evaporated.

In addition, the LH has been criticized for failing to meet is 7,500-pound weight limit, for not being agile and fast enough to catch the Soviet KA-28 Hokum attack helicopter and for failing to meet its cost goal of $7.5 million each.

Pentagon officials said the per-unit cost of the LH has grown to $9.1 million, or $1.6 million over the Army's goal of $7.5 million.

The nation's four helicopter companies have formed two teams that are seeking the lucrative LH contract, pitting McDonnell Douglas Helicopters and Bell Helicopter Textron against Boeing Helicopter and Sikorsky Aircraft of United Technologies Corp.

The LH was the last of Cheney's reviews this year of major weapons systems.

On Aug. 13, Cheney culminated a four-month review of major new warship programs by announcing he would cut the number of Seawolf attack submarines and Arleigh Burke-class destroyers to be built, to save an

estimated $7 billion through fiscal 1994.

Earlier this year, Cheney completed his review of major new aircraft programs in April by cutting the Air Force's $75 billion B-2 ''stealth'' bomber program from 132 to 75 planes and paring back other programs for an estimated savings of $34 billion through the early years of the next century.

As part of that review, Cheney also cut back the Air Force's C-17 transport plane and the Navy's A-12 ''stealth'' carrier-based attack plane and delayed production of the Air Force's stealthy, next-generation Advanced Tactical Fighter or ATF.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 4
New lows 112

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	315	6,377,000
Declines	293	6,693,900
Unchanged	236	7,899,100
Total	844	20,970,000

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KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine (AUG. 24) UPI - President Bush rejected a recommendation for hefty pay raises for federal workers Friday, proposing instead a 3.5 percent increase beginning Jan. 1.

In a letter sent to leaders of the House and Senate, Bush pointed to the increasingly desperate battle against the budget deficit as his rationale for overriding the recommendations of a presidential panel on federal pay.

''Pay raises of this magnitude are clearly unacceptable,'' Bush said in the letter released as he conferred with his budget advisers at his summer vacation home.

''They would be detrimental to our efforts to get government spending at levels that promote non-inflationary growth,'' he said.

Under the Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970, Bush is required to make a pay decision on what if any adjustment is required for the next year.

The president's pay advisers had recommended increases ranging from 22.32 percent for the lowest grade employee to 39.55 percent for the highest level.

Bush, however, is empowered to present an alternate recommendation if economic conditions warrant. Congress then has 30 days to override the recommendation and the House has proposed a 4.1 percent increase for the federal workers.

Bush, also noting that massive across-the-board cuts in federal spending could go into effect soon if a deficit reduction package is not achieved, suggested increases of an overall percentage of 3.5 percent for each pay grade, with the increase to go into effect Jan. 1, 1991.

Bush's proposed budget for the next fiscal year also provided for the 3.5 percent increase.

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#90236u1829 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Stocks resumed an early rally to close sharply higher in heavy trading Friday, boosted by a break in the surge in oil prices and bargain hunting after Thursday's selloff.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which plunged 76.73 Thursday, its third-largest loss this year, surged 49.50 to close at 2532.92.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 2.17 to 171.05 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index gained 4.45 to 311.51. The price of an average share jumped 39 cents.

The broad market did not quite keep pace with the blue chips, however, as advances led declines 952-640 among the 2,011 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 199,040,000 shares, vs. 250,440,000 traded Thursday.

On the heels of Thursday's massive selling spree, the Dow opened Friday by spiking up about 40 points in the first half-hour of trading. But as the morning wore on, the average's gain was trimmed back to about 25 points, where it drifted until midday. Remarks by White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater, speaking in Kennebunkport, Maine, then cut the gain to single digits, analysts said.

Fitzwater confirmed the presence of Iraqi troops around the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait and said Washington was in contact with Ambassador Nathaniel Howell. He said that it appeared people were not being allowed to leave the embassy but that the U.S. would not abandon it, as Iraq was demanding.

Iraqi forces had not moved against the embassy, Fitzwater added. Baghdad's troops surrounded several embassies in Kuwait as the midnight deadline to close all foreign embassies in the occupied city neared.

But in the last hour of trading, the blue-chip indicator bounced back in a big way from its midday slump. Analysts said the rally was reignited by a drop in oil prices, which closed down $1.02 a barrel, as well as by bargain hunting after Thursday's 76-point plunge and by program buying.

"It was also a case of that selling just slowed to a crawl," said John Burnett, senior vice president and head trader at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette. "Enough selling has taken place over the last several sessions that we're just sold out for now.

"People decided the market has already discounted (factored in) the end of the world," he said, referring to the possibility of armed forces being used in the Mideast.

Burnett warned, however, that any "horrific occurrences" in the crisis over the weekend could spark another selling wave. "At this point, anything but all-out war should keep the market up," he said. "People are saying the bad man (Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein) is isolated and will have to make a deal."

Dennis Jarrett, chief market strategist at Kidder, Peabody & Co., noted that the broad market's rally was not quite as powerful as the advance in the blue chips. Considering the Dow's 170-point decline in the previous three sessions, "it's better than a sharp stick in the eye and that's what we had this week," he said.

On the trading floor, Philip Morris was the most active issue, up 1 7/8 to 43 1/4. Wal-Mart followed, jumping 1 3/8 to 26 7/8. Fannie Mae was third, surging 2 3/8 to 29.

Among other rallying blue chips were: AT&T, up 1 3/8 to 31 7/8; IBM, soaring 3 1/2 to 100 3/8 amid reports it was expected to make a major mainframe computer announcement next month; General Electric, surging 2 7/8 to 61 3/8; Boeing, soaring 3 3/8 to 45 7/8; Coca-Cola, up 1 5/8 to 39; and General Motors, up 1 1/8 to 37 1/8.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 241,133,530 shares, compared with 298,286,560 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices rose in heavy trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index rose 0.44 to 316.29. Advances led declines 319-292 among the 847 issues traded. The price of an average share added one cent. Composite volume totaled 24,619,695 shares, down from 28,439,100 traded

Thursday. Salomon Inc. led the Amex issues, unchanged at 4 5/8 on its first trading day.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index jumped 7.11 to 367.33.

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HARTFORD, CT (AUG. 24) UPI - United Technologies Corp. will make up the difference between military pay and the regular pay of its employees who are called to active military duty, the company said Friday.

All medical, disability, and other employee benefits also will be continued under the special leave program, which covers the period from the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait to Dec. 31, the company said.

UTC estimates about 1,000 of its 115,000 employees in the United States are reservists, a spokesman said. The company has a total worldwide workforce of about 200,000.

The leave program will be re-evaluated as events in the Middle East warrant, said Frankly A. Caine, senior vice president for human resources and organization at UTC.

"The people called for active duty will be supporting the United States, and we are going to do as much as we can to support them," Caine said in a statement.

"We hope this special program will help the families of our employees called to protect U.S. interests as a result of the Middle East conflict," he added.

UTC, the largest private employer in Connecticut, is a major defense contractor. Its units include Pratt & Whitney, which makes jet engines, Sikorsky Aircraft, which makes helicopters, and Norden, which makes radar systems.

The company's other major business lines include Carrier air conditioning systems, Otis elevators, Hamilton Standard space systems and UT automotive products.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 24) UPI - The Pacific Stock Exchange and the Taiwan Stock Exchange announced Friday they have set up formal links by becoming "sister exchanges," the first such agreement between American and Asian

trading centers.

"The time has come for us to begin building bridges to the Far East," said Leopold Korins, chairman and chief executive officer of the Pacific Stock Exchange, at signing ceremonies on the exchange floor in downtown Los Angeles.

The agreement calls for the trading operations to "keep in close collaboration and work hand in hand" and "further their cooperative projects as well as market developments."

Korins said the pact is designed to produce expanded investment opportunities for investors in both countries and to improve the settlement and regulatory capabilities of both exchanges. American investors in the Taiwan securities market are currently limited to buying into a few mutual funds.

Korins said the agreement will make it easier for Taiwanese investors to buy American securities, particularly since the San Francisco-based Pacific Stock Exchange recently received government approval to offer electronic membership.

Chao Hsiao-Feng, president of the Taiwan Stock Exchange based in Taipei, said through a translator that the agreement is part of the government's program to internationalize its securities market. The final goal of that program is to allow direct investment by foreigners in local securities and the listing of foreign companies on the exchange, he said.

The agreement also will help the Taiwan exchange begin offering new products such as options and futures contracts, Hsiao-Feng said. Korins said the two exchanges have been working together on an informal basis and discussing a possible link-up for several years.

"In an international marketplace, the PSE's best opportunities seem to lie in and with the Far East," Korins said. "From our base in California's largest financial centers - and with their established and expanding interdependencies with that part of the world - we believe we are uniquely positioned among U.S. exchanges to take advantage of those opportunities."

Korins also said that such agreements are likely to become more popular, particularly with the dropping of trade barriers in Western Europe in 1992. He said that the Taiwan-Pacific agreement may be especially useful to exchange officials to learn the intricacies of regulations at overseas trading centers, specifically on settlement of purchases.

"As more and more exchanges talk about going to a 24-hour marketplace, there has to be discussion of how to standardize settlements," Korins said.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week
By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Aug 24, 1990	42	1011	219	1785	162	2166
Aug 17, 1990	50	558	531	1348	276	2155
Aug 25, 1989	269	52	1053	790	328	2171
Aug 26, 1988	32	77	740	1089	335	2164

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(AUG. 24) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week
By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Aug 24, 1990	25	433	113	769	129	1011
Aug 17, 1990	25	271	226	612	157	995
Aug 25, 1989	95	41	407	388	214	1009

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(AUG. 24) UPI - In what may be only a temporary reversal, oil prices plunged Friday as traders decided to take profits a day after markets reached record levels on the increases racked up since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery ended the day on the New York Mercantile Exchange at $30.91 a barrel, down $1.02 from Thursday's close, but this was still up $2.28 on the week.

Unleaded gasoline for September delivery lost 3.89 cents to $1.0466 a gallon -meaning gains came to 8.69 cents on the week and 40.39 cents since the invasion sent financial and commodities markets into turmoil.

September home heating oil dropped 5.27 cents to 90.86 cents a gallon, which was 10.42 cents higher than a week ago. WTI crude had traded as high as $32.35 a barrel Thursday on the Merc, equaling the exchange's all-time high reached Aug. 2, 1983.

"A lot of people are looking at yesterday's high as a resistance point. There's not a lot of fresh news (from the Mideast), and when the market

gets up this high, it needs fresh news," said Bill Hinton of Stotler & Co. in New York.

"The market's overbought and needs to take a breather. I think we've seen the high for the whole move (since Aug. 2), unless there's a war," said Mary Haskins of Paine Webber Inc. in New York. While the market has been driven by Middle East news, "there weren't any headlines today" that it took its cue from, she said.

"It's been kind of a strange day. It started out with profit taking in London, where markets will be closed Monday for a holiday," said Tom Bentz director of trading at New York's United Energy Inc.

Bentz said the profit taking carried over to New York, where WTI for October delivery opened at $31.20 a barrel, down 73 cents from Thursday's close. "The market is still very nervous, waiting for new developments in the Middle East," Bentz said.

The news may be coming. Iraqi troops surrounded several embassies in Kuwait, reportedly preventing people from entering and leaving some missions, in the face of a deadline to close all foreign embassies in occupied Kuwait City.

Iraq also told U.S. diplomats in Baghdad they would not be allowed to leave Iraq as long as the United States defied its order and kept open its Kuwaiti embassy.

At a news conference in Kennebunkport, Maine, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater confirmed the presence of Iraqi troops around the U.S. Embassy but said, "They have not made any moves on the embassy or intruded in any fashion."

On the European spot market, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - was down 80 cents to $29.60 a barrel. Dubai light was nevertheless up $4.90 a barrel on the week. Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent dropped $1.15 to $31 a barrel, $1.50 higher than last Friday.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, where oil is sold to the highest bidder, prompt-delivery WTI lost 80 cents from Thursday to $30.85 a barrel.

Sun Co., based in Radnor, Pa., as well as Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp., and Du Pont's Houston-based Conoco Inc. unit all lowered the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead to $29.50 a barrel for WTI. Sun's cut was $1.25 a barrel, while Marathon's and Conoco's came to 75 cents.

Hinton said the downward movement of markets was also influenced by talks

between OPEC oil ministers set to take place in Vienna Sunday on proposals to raise production to make up for the 4 million barrels lost daily because of the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo of Kuwaiti and Iraqi exports.

But only about half the 13 members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries had signed up for the talks - an indication of a split in the cartel over its response to the Persian Gulf crisis.

In Jakarta, Ginandjar Kartasasmita, Indonesia's mines and energy minister, said the informal talks could be upgraded to a full emergency meeting, able to formally raise the cartel's output, if ten members would give their support.

The outlook for a cartel increase, however, doesn't look good. OPEC analysts in Vienna said Saudi Arabia, which has led efforts to raise production, had decided not to attend the Sunday talks.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - A showdown is in the works in Kuwait City. Iraqi troops have surrounded several embassies in Kuwait, where U-S and other diplomats are defying Iraqi orders to close their embassies in the occupied city.

Moslem sources and Iran's news agency say Brian Keenan was freed in Lebanon today after four years as a hostage. It is believed the Irish teacher was kidnapped by Shiite Moslem fundamentalists.

Four men died today when a Coast Guard radar plane crashed near a U-S naval station in Puerto Rico. The plane caught fire while returning from a drug smuggling patrol. They were the first deaths in the Coast Guard's drug war.

The Navy has made arrangements for people who want to boost morale by writing to sailors. Address the letters ''Any Serviceman. Operation Desert Shield. F-P-O New York, 09866-0006.'' The mail will be forwarded to the Persian Gulf area.

Oil prices fell in today's early trading, but analysts say traders may be taking profits. Record high prices were set yesterday. In New York, unleaded gasoline for September delivery fell nearly three cents a gallon.

About 500 Liberian rebels have surrendered to border guards in Sierra Leone. The rebels said they NO longer support rebel leader Charles Taylor, who is trying to topple President Samuel Doe.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.08	9.74
Anchor Fund Inv	14.39	15.27
Delaware Mutual	16.55	17.75
Fidelity Fund	16.22	16.22
Investors Mutual	10.76	11.33
Investors Stocks	17.66	18.59
Invest Select	8.15	8.58
IDS Equity Plus	8.65	9.11
Mass Inv Growth	8.05	8.68
Nicholas Fund	3.30	3.30
United Accumulated	6.17	6.74
United Income	16.62	18.16
Vanguard Wellington	15.80	15.80

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(AUG. 24) UPI - Lithuanian President Vytautes Landsbergis is calling for support of Lithuania's independence. Landsbergis says the West must support the Baltic states or force them to remain in the Soviet Union.

Burma's military government still is refusing to let winners of elections in May take power. It says first they must write a new constitution, which has to be endorsed by the present government.

Dr. Thomas Starzl, a pioneer in organ transplants, underwent coronary artery bypass surgery in Pittsburgh today. The 64-year-old Starzl is in stable condition. Starzl performed the first successful liver transplant 23 years ago.

Pro football's Ricky Sanders pleaded NOT guilty today to aggravated assault charges. The Washington Redskin wide receiver is charged in an incident in a Houston bar. Sanders' trial will be in October.

Iggy, an iguana kidnapped on Wednesday from Upper Tampa Bay Park in Florida, has been returned. The lizard was left in a blue pillowcase at a shopping center. Security measures are being improved.

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WAUSAU, Wis. (AUG. 24) UPI - A former dairy princess was sentenced Friday to life in prison, without possibilty of parole until 2003, for strangling a former homecoming queen in a fit of jealous rage over a farmer both women loved.

Lori Esker, 21, was convicted in June of first-degree intentional homicide for the September 1989 slaying of Lisa Cihaski, 21, who was strangled with a belt in a car outside a Wausau area motel.

Esker spoke in court for the first time Friday and apologized to the Cihaski family and others.

''I'm so sorry for all the pain and suffering I caused them, and my family and the whole community,'' she said while sobbing. ''I'll be punishing myself for every moment I live.''

Marathon County Circuit Judge Michael Hoover, after six hours of testimony and arguments from attorneys, decided not to set a parole eligibility date for Esker so the former Marathon County dairy princess automatically becomes eligible for release after 13 years and four months in prison.

''The heinousness of this crime speaks for itself,'' Hoover said. ''And in my mind, life in prison fits the crime.''

Esker's attorney, Stephen Glynn of Milwaukee, said he would appeal the conviction based on statements admitted in the case. He did not elaborate and said the average length of incarceration for a conviction on first-degree intentional homicide was 16 years.

''I feel great she's got parole eligibility,'' Glynn said. ''I feel rotten she could spend the rest of her life in prison. This woman is genuinely in her remorse over what she did.''

Marathon County District Attorney Greg E. Grau, who asked that Esker not be eligible for parole until at least 2010.

''I think the record is clear - there is an evident lack of remorse,'' Grau said.

Esker, who resigned as dairy princess after being arrested, and Cihaski, a former homecoming queen at Birnamwood High School, fought over Eland dairy farmer Bill Buss, who was planning to marry Cihaski and previously had dated Esker.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board's policy-making panel cleared the way for lower interest rates at its July meeting because the economy and credit conditions appeared to be deteriorating, it was disclosed Friday.

Actions of the influential Federal Open Market Committee, headed by Fed

chairman Alan Greenspan, are withheld from public dissemination for six weeks to insulate the world's financial markets from its decisions.

But it was clear by the actions of the nation's central bank, which sent interest rates dropping in mid-July, that the panel most likely had set the stage to ease credit conditions at its July 2-3 session.

The Fed, concerned about the underlying level of inflation, has been keeping a rather tight grip on interest rates for most of the year.

''At the conclusion of the committee's discussion, all of the members indicated that they favored or could accept a directive that called for maintaining the existing degree of pressure on reserve positions for at least a short period after this meeting,'' a meeting summary said.

''Subsequently, some slight easing of reserve conditions could be implemented unless incoming data on the monetary aggregates and the economy evidenced greater strength,'' the summary said.

At the time of the July session, U.S. economic growth appeared to be expanding rather slowly, and some lenders appeared to be setting tougher standards for borrowers.

''Because of the minor firming that appeared to have occurred in general credit conditions, such easing in the availability of reserves would in effect serve to maintain the overall degree of monetary restraint that the committee had sought to implement since late 1989,'' the summary also said.

After credit conditions deteriorated further, Greenspan surprised the Senate Banking Committee at a hearing July 12 by revealing that the Fed would most likely act to loosen credit policy and bring down rates.

Less than 24 hours later, the Federal Funds rate on inter-bank loans declined to 8 percent from 8.25 percent as the Federal Reserve Bank of New York pumped more money into the banking system.

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KATMANDU, Nepal (AUG. 24) UPI - Twenty-two persons were arrested Friday for protesting and stoning a limousine carrying Queen Aishwarya, two of her children and her sister, authorities said.

The royal family, which was en route to the Temple of Pashupati Nath for the festival of Teej, was not injured in the incident Thursday, although the queen's vehicle was badly damaged, the Home Ministry said.

Leaders of two political parties in the interim government denounced the

incident.

''Such incidents, which devalue democratic values, individual freedom and respect, are uncivilized and deplorable,'' said Ganesh Man Singh, the leader of the Nepali Congress. ''Such incidents will only help elements who want to destabilize the new democracy,'' he said.

Jibraj Ashrit, leader of Nepal's Communist Party, also called the attack ''a deplorable act.''

Police, who said officers fired their weapons into the air to disperse the protesters during the nighttime attack, estimated the slogan-shouting mob at about 60 people. One security officer was wounded when hit by a stone, police said.

The crowd shouted ''down with the queen'' and denounced groups loyal to King Birendra, the world's only Hindu monarch.

''No civilized government can brook such disgraceful activities carried out in the name of unrestricted individual liberty under multi-party democracy,'' Home Minister Yog Prasad Upadhaya said Friday in a statement linking the protests to widespread demands for increased democracy in the kingdom.

''We will identify such disruptive elements and take sternest action against them,'' the home minister said, in an apology to the royal family ''for the inconvenience caused.''

The festival to which the queen was en route in one in which Nepalese Hindu women undertake a 24-hour fast for the longevity of their spouses.

The attack on the queen's vehicle came amid rising tension in the Himalayan kingdom where a constitutional revision commission is at work on plans to re-introduce multi-party democracy.

Nepal's multi-party democracy was banned 29 years ago and replaced by a partyless political system answerable only to the king.

But six weeks of nationwide pro-democracy protests and rioting that broke out Feb. 18 and claimed scores of lives forced the king to relinquish some of his near-absolute powers and agree to a return of political parties.

Officials placed the death toll from clashes between protesters and police at 52, while other sources said fatalities totaled more than 100.

An interim plan for a new constitution was scheduled to be introduced by Aug. 31 and authorities said they planned to cancel all police leave to deal with possible violence. Another source said leave for military

personnel also would be canceled before the announcement.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - Bond Calendar - New Issues Scheduled for Public Sale

U.S. GOVERNMENT & FEDERAL AGENCIES (Week of August 27)

Aug. 27 - $18.4 billion in 13- and 26-week T-bills ($1.95 billion new cash).

TAX-EXEMPT NOTES & BONDS (Week of August 27) - Courtesy of The Bond Buyer
(Issues are to be negotiated unless otherwise noted.)

$700 million California various purpose general obligation bonds (competitive).
$81.9 million Oregon Department of General Services certificates of participation.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - The Pentagon said Friday it has made arrangements to get copies of Stars and Stripes, the military's unofficial daily newspaper, delivered to troops in Saudi Arabia.

In news accounts sent back by reporters in Saudi Arabia soldiers have expressed frustations at not being able to keep up with world events.

Stars and Stripes, which publishes both Pacific and European editions, carries a broad spectrum of world news and U.S. news based on wire service reports and its own network of reporters. The troops will get the European edition of the paper.

The Pentagon said some 15,000 copies of the paper will be distributed to the troops on the ground and another 2,300 papers will be sent to Navy ships in the region. The number of copies will be increased as requested by the U.S. Central Command, which is running Operation Desert Shield.

The newspaper, a 28-page tabloid, will be distributed free of charge to soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines. It normally costs 25 cents a copy.

Stars and Stripes has a daily circulation of about 142,000 in 42 countires in Europe, North Africa and the Middle East. In addition to national and international news, the paper carries sports, features, entertainment, comics and syndicated columns.

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NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 24) UPI - A seven-alarm fire destroyed a two-block-long riverfront wharf Friday and sent a black plume of burning rubber and smoke towering over the Mississippi River downtown.

The port captain closed traffic on the river for about two hours because of dense smoke from the fire obscuring visibility. One firefighter was treated for burns on the neck and two others for smoke inhalation.

Fireboats and scores of firefighters struggled in 90-degree weather to prevent the intense Orange Street Wharf blaze from spreading beyond firewalls to adjacent wharves.

The Coast Guard dispatched a 41-foot utility boat and a 55-foot aid to navigation boat to the scene.

The fire began about 12:30 p.m. and quickly spread through the wharf. It took firefighters about four hours to bring the blaze under control.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney Friday invoked a little-known law Friday to allow the Pentagon to spend more money than was approved for the year to pay for Operation Desert Shield.

The statute - known as the ''Feed and Forage Act'' and dating back to the days of the cavalry - was invoked because of the soaring costs of the effort to put troops and weaponry into Saudi Arabia.

Cheney's action ensures that money is available until Congress returns to session in September and can pass a special appropriations bill to get the Pentagon through the remaining weeks of the fiscal year.

Initial Pentagon estimates put the cost of the operation at $1.2 billion through the end of September - the end of fiscal year 1990 - but costs have begun to rise with the activation of units of the reserves and National Guard.

By the end of September officials expect as many as almost 50,000 guard and reserve personel will be on active duty to support the operation and drawing pay that will boost monthly costs by $100 million.

The law lets the Pentagon spend money for clothing, food, fuel, housing, transportation and medical and hospital supplies.

A Pentagon statement said the action ''ensures that the Department of Defense can provide full support to U.S. military personnel deployed for Operation Desert Shield and those conducting maritime intercept operations around the Arabian peninsula.''

''Because the Middle East operations were not foreseen when the defense budget for the current fiscal year was enacted, the budget did not include funds to cover the increased cost of the operations,'' the statement said.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has warned Iraq to end its occupation of Kuwait. In a tough message to President Saddam Hussein, Gorbachev warned that the U-N Security Council may take even tougher measures against Iraq. The Soviet Union is one nation that has closed its Embassy in Kuwait following Iraq's demand. But a Soviet spokesman says that is only because the situation in Kuwait made it impossible for people to do their work.

OPEC observers say Saudi Arabia will NOT attend this weekend's meeting in Vienna when increased oil production will be discussed. Saudi Arabia called for the discussion... but it wanted a formal meeting, which is NOT supported by an OPEC majority. An OPEC spokesman says that so far only six or seven nations are expected. The meeting can NOT decide on oil production quotas unless 10 members are present.

An Ohio law requiring doctors to notify the parents of unmarried minors who want abortions will NOT take effect for another three weeks. The U-S Supreme Court upheld the law two months ago. But procedural moves must be completed in lower courts before the law goes into effect.

South African police in troubled black townships have new powers to try to slow down black violence. Emergency laws allow them to arrest people without trial and to confiscate weapons. President Frederik de Klerk says the new powers are short term and limited but will be expanded if they do NOT work. As De Klerk put it- ''We will NOT allow anarchy.''

Moderates in the Southern Baptist Convention have decided to keep their money from going to agencies they feel are aligned with the fundamentalist wing. Instead they will channel money to an alternate program supporting the convention's missionaries. Some observers say they believe this is a first step toward a new denomination. Moderate Baptists have been meeting in Atlanta to discuss the growing fundamentalist control of their church.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - The following is Money Magazine's Small Investor Index (Dec. 31, 1989 average equals 100):

This week 98.07, off 2.85 or 2.82 percent, compared with 100.92 the previous week.

The week's change for each asset:

Category	Index	PC Chg. Week Ago	PC Chg. Year Ago
Stocks			
Blue chips	89.60	off 7.59	off 9.60
Small stocks	80.05	off 10.45	off 22.68
Equity funds	90.33	off 6.96	off 9.89
Bonds			
Taxable bonds	101.38	off 0.71	up 5.25
Municipal bonds	101.65	off 1.79	up 4.50
Bond funds	99.84	off 1.51	up 0.84
Cash			
CDs	105.15	up 0.15	up 8.05
Money funds	103.89	up 0.11	up 6.05
Other			
Real estate	100.65	off 0.48	up 1.64
Gold	100.25	up 0.31	up 20.67

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - The stock market weighed in with its second-worst week of the year and sixth straight weekly loss this week as investors, nervous about an escalation of tensions in the Persian Gulf, dumped their holdings.

The Dow Jones industrial average ended the week on an up note, surging 49.50 Friday to close at 2532.92, but lost 111.88 points - 4.2 percent - on the week. Its worst weekly loss this year came in the week ended Jan. 26, when the blue-chip indicator fell 118.67 points. This week's loss was the eighth biggest weekly loss ever for the Dow.

Broader market indexes followed suit, with Standard & Poor's 500-stock index losing 16.32 to end the week at 311.51 and the New York Stock Exchange composite index falling 9.14 to close the week at 171.05.

Declines thumped advances 1,785-219 among the 2,166 NYSE issues traded this week. Weekly Big Board volume totaled 949,523,020 shares, compared with 739,842,760 a week earlier and 829,815,720 shares a year ago.

Prices closed mixed Monday in very light trading as the Mideast crisis seemed to reach a stalemate. The biggest development of the day saw

President Bush call the Americans trapped in Kuwait hostages. The administration had avoided the ''H'' word until that point.

But that was the calm before the storm. Over the next three days, the Dow plunged 173.01 points as fears of a war in the Persian Gulf gripped the market.

On Tuesday, reports of Iraqi missiles said to be deployed near the Saudi border sent the Dow tumbling more than 50 points. On Wednesday, at a news conference, President Bush refused to rule out the use of force in the region.

And on Thursday, with no dramatic developments from the Mideast, investors had plenty of time to work themselves into a stew over the week's events to that point. The 76-point plunge in the Dow that day was the third-biggest loss of the year, coming on the third-heaviest volume of the year, and took the Dow down to its first close below 2500 since July 1989.

But as the week ended, a break in the surge in oil prices and bargain hunting after the debacle Thursday sparked a 50-point rise in the blue-chip index, but only made a dent in the week's loss.

As for the drop below 2500, Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King and Associates in Albany. N.Y., said he did not think it was particularly significant.

''There's still a lot of uncertainty about what will happen in the Mideast but I think most people think the market will always bounce back and that this fall will be no different,'' he said.

''I'm hopeful, but I don't know if that's realistic,'' said Doran. ''There are some great values out there, but there's a lot of reluctance by portfolio managers to dive in and be aggressive. They're paralyzed a little and rightfully so.''

Doran said one factor that has weighed in the market's favor even during this plunge, which has taken the Dow down more about 415 points, or 14 percent, since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, is that investors have not rushed to dump shares in mutual funds as they did during the market's crash in 1987.

But Dennis Jarrett, chief market strategist at Kidder, Peabody & Co., said even a peaceful resolution of the Gulf crisis may not mean the market is free and clear to resume a long-term rally.

''Even if it is all resolved, we could rally 100 points in the short-term, but when you're down 500 points (from the highs reached in July) what does that mean?'' Jarrett asked.

''And whatever happens there will be critical to the price of oil. The longer it takes to resolve, the longer oil prices will stay high and then the economy and inflation will have to be reassessed (in that context),'' he said. ''We're not out of the woods even once this is resolved.''

On the trading floor this week, Philip Morris was the most active issue, off 2 to 43 1/4.

Wal-Mart Stores followed, off 1 1/8 to 26 7/8. General Electric was third, down 2 5/8 to 61 3/8.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T lost 1 1/2 to 31 7/8, IBM fell 1 to 100 3/8, Boeing tumbled 2 5/8 to 45 7/8, Exxon slumped 3 1/4 to 48 7/8 even as oil prices fell sharply this week, Eastman Kodak fell 2 to 38 3/4 and Coca-Cola sank 3 to 39. All the 20 most active issues on the Big Board this week lost ground.

On the American Stock Exchange, the Amex Market Value index sank 17.32 to close Friday at 316.29. Declines pummeled advances 769-113 among the 1,011 issues traded.

Amex volume totaled 93,796,575 shares, compared with 69,436,080 traded a week earlier and 68,410,090 traded in the same week a year ago.

Salomon's put warrants on the Tokyo market's Nikkei index led the Amex actives, up 2 1/2 to 16 5/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index plummeted 26.16 to end the week at 367.33.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 24) UPI - Government securities kept falling in value and the yield on the 30-year bond seemed headed for 9 1/4 percent Friday, spurred by fears of war in the Persian Gulf and the far-reaching inflationary effects stemming from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

''The market is at its lows of the year,'' said Michael Moran, trading manager for Donaldson Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp. Friday's selling was less intense than the two previous days, but ''there was some liquidation going on,'' he said.

Moran's choice of terms was apt, because investors sought greater safety for their portfolios by boosting liquidity - converting to cash for time deposits or shifting over to Treasury notes or bills with shorter maturities.

Long bonds, those with maturities running from two out to 30 years, suffered the most as a result of this crisis-weathering strategy.

The key 30-year bond, the 8 3/4 of 2020, ended at 95 27/32 with a yield of 9.16 percent, compared with 98 and 8.94 percent a week earlier. The loss of 2 1/8 points on the week translates into $21.25 for every $1,000 face value.

The long-bond yield was the highest seen since April 1989. Moran looked for it to hit 9.25 percent or even 9.50 percent if Gulf tensions keep mounting but noted a peaceful resolution would ''cause a stampede into our market.''

At the same time, he acknowledged a quick resolution ''is probably not in the cards,'' so yields will have to rise high enough to draw buyers. What is keeping them out at this point is mainly the threat of booming inflation.

Bond investors fret about inflation in the best of times. But in recent days apprehension about how inflation could leap if a Gulf war cut off oil supplies and drove prices even higher has assumed epic proportions.

''The bond markets are responding to unbridled fears,'' said Philip Braverman, DKB Securities Corp.'s chief economist, in his weekly market report. Braverman cited worries about ''significant war damage to the oil fields.''

Bond investors get nervous at signs of inflation, because it eats away at the fixed return from bonds and lowers their market value.

Along with oil-fueled inflation, investors have been worrying about how much the United States will have to spend to finance what could be a lengthy stay by U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia to fend off an Iraqi threat.

Before the Gulf crisis flared with Baghdad's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, bonds were rallying on the prospect of an agreement between the Bush administration and Congress to pare back the federal deficit - but Gulf events have made theWashington budget talks moot.

More and more economists are saying a recession already is in progress. Such sentiment usually pushes prices higher for fixed-return bonds, which are among the surest investments in economically troubled times.

But the bond market will probably have to wait for the Gulf crisis to be resolved before it sees the Federal Reserve counter recession by guiding short-term interest rates down. Easing by the Fed usually helps bond prices.

But the Fed, in timing that decision, and investors, in deciding when to get back in the market, must both reckon with inflation. The hope of both is that recession, by checking spending, will choke off inflation.

''We expect Fed policy to remain relatively restrictive until we are at least ankle-deep in a recession,'' said Smith Barney analyst Douglas Schindewolf.

Ten-year Treasury notes ended at 98 03/32 to yield 9.04 percent vs. 99 21/32 and 8.80 percent one week before. Five-year notes ended at 99 03/32 to yield 8.71 percent vs. 100 1/32 and 8.47 percent.

Three-year Treasury notes closed at 98 26/32 to yield 8.46 vs. 99 12/32 and 8.24 a week earlier. Two-year notes were at 99 16/32 to yield 8.28 percent vs. 99 26/32 and 8.10 percent, Salomon Brothers said.

Six-month Treasury bills were discounted at a rate of 7.47 percent to yield 7.86 percent, compared with a 7.41 percent discount and 7.80 percent yield a week earlier. Three-month T-bills ended at a 7.45 percent discount and a yield of 7.69 percent, vs. 7.48 percent and 7.72 percent.

Shearson Lehman Hutton Inc.'s index of long-term Treasury bonds lost 24.04 points in the week, or 1.97 percent, ending at 1,218.60.

The federal funds rate, charged on bank-to-bank overnight loans of reserve funds, finished the week at 8 1/16 percent, slightly above its current perceived target rate of 8 percent.

The Fed funds rate, a building block for U.S. interest rates, is one means by which the Federal Reserve carries out monetary policy.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - Thunderstorms dumped heavy rain over the Atlantic Coast states Friday, triggering flash floods in New York and West Virginia, while fierce winds lashed parts of Georgia, Arkansas and the deserts of California.

Heavy rains fell along the East Coast from New York state and the southern half of New England to Florida, the National Weather Service said.

Storms dumped 5 inches of rain over Islip, N.Y., causing extensive local flooding. Heavy rain on Long Island also spawned severe floods, impairing traffic on major roads and disabling vehicles in high water.

Rainwater also flooded streets and highways in Bridgeport, Conn., and 4

inches of rain fell over Norfolk, Va.

Flooding in West Virginia followed storms that dumped more than 3 inches of rain in two hours, washing out at least three area roads, officials said. No injuries were reported and flash flood warnings lapsed at mid-morning.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami reported a tropical depression formed from a tropical wave east of the Lesser Antilles and at midday Friday was about 750 miles east of Barbados.

Skies were clear Friday over much of the West Coast, but wind advisories were posted over the gusty and dusty deserts of California, from Kern County to the Mojave Desert and the Antelope Valley.

Earlier, winds downed trees in Georgia's eastern Adams County and thunderstorm gusts reached 60 mph at Fort Smith, Ark. Golfball-size hail fell near Lincoln, Neb., during the morning hours.

In the Great Plains, storms left heavy rain over eastern Texas and the Gulf Coast, Oklahoma, western Iowa. Showers also were scattered over Iowa, central North Dakota, Wisconsin and lower Michigan in the Great Lakes region.

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FARGO, N.D. (AUG. 24) UPI - The third of three former pilots convicted last week in federal court of flying a Northwest Airlines jet while drunk pleaded guilty Friday to state charges stemming from the same incident.

Flight engineer Joseph Balzer, 34, of Antioch, Tenn., pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor state charge of flying while intoxicated. Capt. Norman Prouse, 51, and First Officer Robert Kirchner, 36, pleaded guilty to the same count Thursday.

All three received suspended 30-day jail sentences and $1,000 fines.

The pilots face up to 15 years in prison following their felony conviction in Minneapolis of flying a Boeing 727 while intoxicated. The March 8 Boeing 727 flight from Fargo to Minneapolis with 91 passengers aboard was conducted without incident.

Prouse, of Conyers, Ga., admitted to alcoholism during the jury trial. He had a level of 0.12 percent when tested more than two hours after landing the passenger jet at Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport.

Kirchner, of Highland Ranch, Colo., and Balzer had lower levels but were

still found to be in violation of federal law. Most states consider motorists with blood-alcohol levels above 0.10 to be legally intoxicated.

According to testimony at the trial, Prouse consumed at least 15 mixed drinks and the other two men split six pitchers of beer at a Moorhead, Minn., bar the night before the early morning flight.

Defense lawyers contended the cockpit crew members were not impaired because they completed the flight flawlessly, but the jury sided with prosecutors who contended that the very fact that they got into the cockpit and took off showed that their judgment was affected.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - In what may be only a temporary reversal, oil prices plunged Friday as traders decided to take profits a day after markets reached record levels on the increases racked up since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery ended the day on the New York Mercantile Exchange at $30.91 a barrel, down $1.02 from Thursday's close, but this was still up $2.28 on the week.

Unleaded gasoline for September delivery lost 3.89 cents to $1.0466 a gallon -meaning gains came to 8.69 cents on the week and 40.39 cents since the invasion sent financial and commodities markets into turmoil.

September home heating oil dropped 5.27 cents to 90.86 cents a gallon, which was 10.42 cents higher than a week ago.

WTI crude had traded as high as $32.35 a barrel Thursday on the Merc, equaling the exchange's all-time high reached Aug. 2, 1983.

''A lot of people are looking at yesterday's high as a resistance point. There's not a lot of fresh news (from the Mideast), and when the market gets up this high, it needs fresh news,'' said Bill Hinton of Stotler & Co. in New York.

''The market's overbought and needs to take a breather. I think we've seen the high for the whole move (since Aug. 2), unless there's a war,'' said Mary Haskins of Paine Webber Inc. in New York.

While the market has been driven by Middle East news, ''there weren't any headlines today'' that it took its cue from, she said.

''It's been kind of a strange day. It started out with profit taking in London, where markets will be closed Monday for a holiday,'' said Tom

Bentz, director of trading at New York's United Energy Inc.

Bentz said the profit taking carried over to New York, where WTI for October delivery opened at $31.20 a barrel, down 73 cents from Thursday's close.

''The market is still very nervous, waiting for new developments in the Middle East,'' Bentz said.

The news may be coming. Iraqi troops surrounded several embassies in Kuwait, reportedly preventing people from entering and leaving some missions, in theface of a deadline to close all foreign embassies in occupied Kuwait City.

Iraq also told U.S. diplomats in Baghdad they would not be allowed to leave Iraq as long as the United States defied its order and kept open its Kuwaiti embassy.

At a news conference in Kennebunkport, Maine, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater confirmed the presence of Iraqi troops around the U.S. Embassy but said, ''They have not made any moves on the embassy or intruded in any fashion.''

On the European spot market, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - was down 80 cents to $29.60 a barrel. Dubai light was nevertheless up $4.90 a barrel on the week.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent dropped $1.15 to $31 a barrel, $1.50 higher than last Friday.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, where oil is sold to the highest bidder, prompt-delivery WTI lost 80 cents from Thursday to $30.85 a barrel.

Sun Co., based in Radnor, Pa., as well as Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp., and Du Pont's Houston-based Conoco Inc. unit all lowered the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead to $29.50 a barrel for WTI. Sun's cut was $1.25 a barrel, while Marathon's and Conoco's came to 75 cents.

Hinton said the downward movement of markets was also influenced by talks between OPEC oil ministers set to take place in Vienna Sunday on proposals to raise production to make up for the 4 million barrels lost daily because of the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo of Kuwaiti and Iraqi exports.

But only about half the 13 members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries had signed up for the talks - an indication of a split in the cartel over its response to the Persian Gulf crisis.

In Jakarta, Ginandjar Kartasasmita, Indonesia's mines and energy minister, said the informal talks could be upgraded to a full emergency meeting, able to formally raise the cartel's output, if 10 members would give their support.

The outlook for a cartel increase, however, doesn't look good. OPEC analysts in Vienna said Saudi Arabia, which has led efforts to raise production, had decided not to attend the Sunday talks.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - Thrift regulators Friday closed Golden Circle Savings Association FSB in Corsicana, Texas, and approved paying off the institution's insured deposits.

The thrift had assets of $13.1 million and liabilities of $14.5 million.

Deposits totaled $14.4 million in about 800 accounts. Regulators said uninsured deposits were believed to be minimal and would consist primarily of accrued interest on deposits in excess of the $100,000 deposit insurance limit.

The Resolution Trust Corp., created last year to clean up the thrift industry, said it received no bids for the institution and decided to pay off insured deposits.

Depositors are asked to contact the institution for information on the method of payment.

Uninsured depositors and other general creditors will share proportionately with the RTC in the proceeds from the liquidation of the thrift's assets. RTC estimated its cost of the transaction at $2.7 million.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) UPI - Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady Friday welcomed Venezuela's proposed plan to reduce its commercial bank debt by 20 percent and said it already has been accepted by almost all of the nation's creditor banks.

The Venezuelan government of President Carlos Andres Perez Tuesday said in Caracas it had reached agreement with its creditor banks on about $20 billion out of $28 billion of the South American country's public foreign debt. Venezuela's total foreign debt stands at approximately $35 billion. Once a country reaches agreement with the banks' steering committee, the

committee has to present the package to all creditor banks for approval.

"The Department of the Treasury welcomes the preliminary results of the government of Venezuela's offer of various financing options to its creditor banks," Brady said in a statement.

"Based on responses from banks representing 90 percent of outstanding exposure, the banks' choices will produce an estimated 20 percent net reduction in Venezuela's stock of commercial bank debt and a 50 percent annual cut in external debt-service payments to banks," he said. Acceptance by such high proportion of banks makes the success of the agreement virtually certain.

Brady noted that the two principal financing options selected by banks were par bonds - to be exchanged for old debt - and new money totaling $1.15 billion. The Venezuelan government also said it expected a $3 billion debt reduction through debt-for-equity swaps.

Venezuela originally demanded from its commercial bank creditors a 50 percent debt reduction. After a year of difficult negotiations, an initial debt reduction agreement in principle was reached between Venezuela and the banks in March on a much lower figure than 50 percent.

Early last year, Brady announced an initiative to reduce the bank debt of developing countries with the support of financial packages from the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank. Both multilateral institutions have provided Venezuela with large loans, part of which can be used to guarantee the commercial debt reduction.

Under Brady's plan, Mexico, the Philippines and Costa Rica have achieved significant reductions in their debt. Morocco reached agreement with its creditor banks for another debt reduction package.

The Treasury has said it expects other major debtor countries, such as Brazil and Argentina, with foreign debt of $120 billion and $65 billion, respectively, to obtain debt reduction packages from their commercial bank creditors.

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#90236u2182 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 24) UPI - The Soviet Union said Friday it has agreed with the United States that use of ''minimum force'' could be applied to ensure the implementation of U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

Soviet deputy permanent representative Valentin Lozinskiy told reporters that the Soviet Union still wants to use diplomatic channels to solve the crisis caused by the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraqi troops.

''The main thing is a political dialogue (with Iraq),'' Lozinskiy said after daylong discussions with U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Thomas Pickering and the representatives from France, Britain and China.

''While it is necessary to ensure the implementation of the sanctions resolution, very limited means of force can be used,'' he said.

Pickering said the consultations between the representatives would keep going into Friday night.

The United States has proposed that a ''minimum force'' can be applied to force countries that have been trading with Iraq to adhere to the worldwide economic and military embargo.

The sanctions were imposed after Iraq defied a demand by the Security Council to withdraw immediately and unconditionally from the small emirate that is rich with oil.

Lozinzkiy said there had been changes in the draft resolution that Pickering has offered to his counterparts for discussions.

The five countries are the permanent members of the 15-nation Security Council with the right to veto any resolutions they consider against their national interests.

China has voiced its opposition to the use of military force to ensure respect of the sanctions, but it said it will abstain whenever the council votes on the draft resolution.

Lozinskiy said, ''It is my intention to vote yes, but we have to see the final text'' of the resolution.

Lozinskiy said ships plying the Persian Gulf or Red Sea could be stopped for inspection whenever the Security Council adopt the new resolution.

He said Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's personal message to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Friday stressed the importance to resolve the crisis through diplomacy.

In that message, Gorbachev urged Saddam to fulfill ''without delay'' U.N. resolutions pertaining to the invasion.

''Evading the fulfilment of the resolutions will inevitably compel the Security Council to adopt corresponding extra measures,'' Gorbachev warned Saddam.

Pickering, who has been holding private discussions with representatives

of the four countries this week to win their support for the military option, told reporters he had ''useful'' discussions with his colleagues. He also met with non-aligned countries Friday, urging them to support the U.S.-led military option.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - Tensions are at a new high in the Middle East crisis. Iraqi troops have surrounded several embassies in Kuwait. Iraq demands the embassies be closed and all diplomatic personnel moved to Baghdad. Troops are preventing anyone from either entering or leaving the embassies. Diplomats from the United States, China, Japan, Yugoslavia, Austria and all members of the European Community remain in Kuwait.

A California child psychologist says there should be NO doubt about whether the children seen with Iraqi President Saddam in yesterday's television broadcast were calm or frightened. Dr. Lenore Terr... author of ''Too Scared to Cry,'' a study of a series of kidnappings... says the distant, silent demeanor the children displayed is- in her words- ''typical of extreme fright.''

A Moslem militia source in Beirut says an Irish hostage was released today after four years in captivity. Brian Keenan was handed over to Syrian authorities somewhere in Lebanon. He said Keenan was on his way to Syria. Iran's official news agency also says Keenan was freed. It is believed his kidnappers were Shiite Moslems linked with Iran.

Pennsylvania's new, strict anti-abortion law has been struck down by federal judge in Philadelphia. A spokesman for the Governor Robert Casey says the decision will be appealed to the Supreme Court. The same judge has previously issued injunctions against the law... which sets a 24-hour waiting period and requires married women to obtain the consent of their husbands.

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#90236u2202 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - A developer and two relatives were killed today when their small plane crashed in a residential section of Boston. The pilot was Michael Spear, president of the Rouse Company, a major developer of shopping centers. His wife and 19-year-old daughter also died. The plane set two houses on fire, but NO one on the ground was hurt.

Three workers were injured today by a release of chemical dust at a petrochemical refinery in Houston. A spokesman says there was NO fire. He described the release as ''catalyst dust which appears to be smoke.'' He said the dust is NOT toxic and is NO threat outside the refinery. The

three workers apparently were injured as they tried to flee from the chemical.

Scientists believe the problem with the spacecraft Magellan will happen again. They are struggling to be ready in case of a repeat. In the words of project engineer John Slonski- ''We're concerned that we're dealing with a problem that is not an isolated failure.'' Twice Magallan's signals to Earth were interrupted. The engineers are considering the possibility of a glitch in the programming.

A Nevada judge has rejected the product-liability case against the heavy-metal group Judas Priest. The parents of two young men involved in a suicide pact in 1985 had asked six-point-two-Million dollars in damages against the group and C-B-S Records... claiming the album ''Stained Class'' triggered their sons' attempts to kill themselves. The judge ruled today that other factors motivated what he called ''these troubled young men.''

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#90236u2265 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

AMMAN, Jordan (AUG. 24) UPI - King Hussein returned to Amman Friday after visits to Yemen and Sudan in his latest diplomatic efforts to avert a Middle East war, and his country agreed to reopen its border with Iraq.

It was unclear when Hussein would embark on another round of visits to Arab capitals, but he has said he would continue efforts to resolve the Gulf crisis, which erupted with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Last week, Hussein met with Iraq's President Saddam Hussein and President Bush.

Jordan closed its border with Iraq at Ruweished, about 220 miles east of Amman, at midnight Wednesday after officials said they could not accommodate the refugees fleeing from Iraq and occupied Kuwait. Jordan has received nearly 200,000 refugees since the crisis began, with 42,000 of them arriving Wednesday.

But the order failed to stop the flow of thousands of refugees. Thursday, with the Iraqi-Jordanian border officially closed, 26,000 refugees, most of them Arab nationals, flooded across.

Jordan agreed to reopen its border with Iraq Friday and allow a maximum of 20,000 refugees a day into the kingdom, an official source of the Ministry of the Interior said. Arrangements were taken to set up a camp at Ruweished to receive the refugees, the source said.

Despite attempts by Jordan to provide facilities for the refugees - many of them destitute Egyptian laborers - adequate housing, food and water had not been available. The lack of transportation for thousands of Egyptians

to return home also exacerbated the situation, and rioting has erupted near Ruweished and the port of Aqaba.

In Brussels, the European Community granted an emergency fund of $1.3 million Thursday to help finance an airlift home of thousands of Egyptian refugees from the Iraqi-Jordanian border. West Germany said it would send 4.2 million tons of food to the refugees in Jordan.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 24) UPI - Officials from Nike Inc. and the civil rights group Operation PUSH met Friday at Georgetown University without resolving differences over the company's hiring, promotion and advertising practices.

Chicago-based Operation PUSH has accused Nike of discriminating against minorities, particulary blacks, and two weeks ago began a national boycott of Nike sneakers.

PUSH President, the Rev. Tyrone Crider, had said Nike must buy advertising in black-owned media outlets and add a black director to its board before the boycott would be called off.

Nike President Richard Donahue and Chairman Philip Knight met through the afternoon Friday with Crider and PUSH founder, Jesse Jackson, at the behest of Georgetown's basketball coach, John Thompson.

Friday's four-hour meeting was the first direct contact between the two sides since discussions about minority involvement in the company broke down July 31.

Jackson has openly criticized Thompson, Chicago Bulls basketball star Michael Jordan and other athletes under contract to Nike for defending the company.

In a news conference following the meeting, participants said no agreement had been reached on substantive issues but that they would meet again.

''Nothing has changed,'' said Crider. ''We will still challenge the shoe industry and Nike specifically.''

Crider lambasted the Beaverton, Ore.-based company for what he called the ''zero factor: zero on the board, zero vice presidents, zero dollars in our banks, zero use of affirmative-action advertising agencies.''

Jackson said PUSH was seeking an affirmative-action plan.

But Donahue defended the company's hiring practices and said that since

the first of the year minorities have comprised 21 percent of new employees and that 21 percent of the next 1,000 hired also would be minorities.

''We have announced that within 12 months we will appoint a minority director and in 20 more months we will appoint a minority vice-president '' said Donahue, who denied the boycott has had any affect on business.

On Monday, Crider accused the company of practicing ''apartheid'' after Nike officials refused to meet with PUSH members until the organization explained its relationship with the shoe company's No. 1 competitor, Reebok International Ltd.

Nike officials claim PUSH started pressuring them after Canton, Mass.-based Reebok placed a $6,000 advertisement in a monthly PUSH-supported magazine.

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(AUG. 24) UPI - U-S troops are in Saudi Arabia, but the man on the front line at this stage of the Middle East crisis is U-S Ambassador Nathaniel Howell. The 50-year-old Howell and about 10 other U-S diplomats are keeping the U-S Embassy open in Kuwait City- against the demands of Iraq. A deadline to close the embassy has passed, but about one-dozen Iraqi troops are stationed just outside its walls.

Wall Street shook off increased tensions in the Middle East to close trading today with the Dow Jones industrial average surging 49 points. The upward movement followed by one day the market's third-largest loss of the year. A senior executive with one trading firm said- in his words- ''At this point, anything but all-out war should keep the market up.''

The Federal Election Commission is suing the National Republican Senatorial Committee over illegal contributions made to G-O-P senate candidates in 1986. The G-O-P group allegedly sought contributions for 12 candidates... then funneled the money to others they believed were more in need. The consumer group Common Cause praised the legal action after previously suing the F-E-C for NOT enforcing the law.

President Bush is recommending that federal workers get only a three-and-a-half-percent pay increase next year. His pay advisers had recommended increases ranging from 22 to 39 percent. Bush said pay hikes that large are not acceptable because of the battle against the budget deficit. His recommendation goes to Congress. The House has proposed a four-point-one percent increase.

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#90236u2327 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 24) UPI - Five South Carolina legislators were indicted on bribery charges today and immediately suspended from office. A federal grand jury charged them with selling their votes to support a bill allowing parimutuel gambling. In addition, a former state representative whose name was mentioned in connection with the scandal has asked for and received a paid leave of absence from his new job as a judge.

A woman who resigned as dairy princess of Marathon County, Wisconsin, when she was charged with murder was sentenced today to life in prison. Lori Esker was convicted of strangling a former homecoming queen in a fight over a man they both loved. At her sentencing, Esker apologized to the victim's family. She said- ''I'll be punishing myself for every moment I live.'' She will not be eligible for parole before the year 2003.

Oregon has put forest land off limits to logging by private timberland owners if it is near nests of the northern spotted owl. State Forester James Brown said logging is prohibited in a 70-acre zone around a known nesting site. In addition, any logging within one mile must be approved in advance by state authorities. The federal government declared the northern spotted owl a threatened species a month ago.

Nobel laureate Alexander Solzhenitsyn has rejected a Soviet offer to return to his homeland- at least for the time being. He explains... ''I canNOT come before my books.'' The author says his works, such as ''The Gulag Archipelago,'' are NOT yet widely available in the Soviet Union- in spite of the reforms sweeping the nation. Solzhenitsyn has lived in Vermont since being exiled in 1974.

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#90236u2357 08/24/1990 ~United Press International
SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (AUG. 24) UPI - A judge Friday ordered the provisional detention of a soldier testifying in connection with the Nov. 16 slaying of six Jesuit priests, but the man fled the courtroom, judicial sources said.

Judge Ricardo Zamora also asked the Defense Ministry to provide a list of officers attending a meeting of the Salvadoran armed forces High Command the night of the killings and denied a defense motion asking that the case be transferred to another court.

A spokesman for the supreme court said Zamora was questioning Sgt. Oscar Solorzano and decreed his detention when Solorzano ''was caught giving false testimony and contradicted himself several times.''

''As soon as the judge gave the order for his detention (Solorzano)

managed to get away and he fled,'' the court spokesman said.

In declarations to police investigators, several of the eight military men charged with murder in the case mentioned Solorzano as a participant in the operation in which the priests were killed.

Court sources said the defense attorneys were expected to appeal Zamora's decision not to move the case. They said the appeal would freeze the ongoing judicial investigation of the controversial case for up to two months, and that transferring the case would entail additional delays.

The supreme court spokesman said defense attorneys immediately objected to Zamora's request for information about the High Command's meeting on the night of the killings, but the judge stuck to his decision. ''The judge ordered that the court ask the Defense Ministry to provide a list of commanders who participated in the meeting of the Joint Chiefs-of-Staff on Nov. 15, 1989,'' the court spokesman said.

Col. Guillermo Alfredo Benavides, charged with ordering the murder of the Jesuits, their housekeeper and her teenage daughter, is known to have attended the Nov. 15 meeting in which top military officers say they decided on an all-out counterattack against a massive rebel offensive centered on San Salvador.

Assertions by several military sources that Benavides could not have decided on his own to kill the prominent Jesuits have led to speculation that he was ordered to do so during the meeting.

Despite Benavides' arrest, church officials here contend that the ''intellectual authors'' of the crime have yet to be discovered.

A preliminary report in April by Rep. Joe Moakley, D-Mass., head of a congressional commission monitoring the case, said ''a series of questions about the possible involvement of higher officials in ordering the crimes remain unanswered ... The investigators have not questioned senior officers about a meeting of the armed forces High Command, at which Col. Benavides was present, on the night of the murders.''

One of the lieutenants charged with leading the ''mission'' to kill the Jesuits told investigators he received a radio call Nov. 15 to regroup his troops for the mission at about 10:15 p.m.

Who sent the transmission has not yet come out in the judicial proceedings but at the time of the radio call, Benavides was still at the meeting with the High Command. Benavides recently testified that the High Command was tied into the radio network used to reassemble the troops for the mission to the Jesuits' home, on the University of Central America campus.

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(AUG. 25) FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

American League - Suspended Texas third baseman Steve Buechele for 3 games for fighting.

Cincinnati - Waived outfielder Ken Griffey for the purpose of giving him his unconditional release.

Houston - Placed catcher Carl Nichols on disabled list.

San Diego - Named Greg Riddoch manager for 1991 season.

San Francisco - Named Tony Siegle director of minor league operations and Dave Nahabedian director of scouting.

Basketball

San Antonio - Renounced their rights to forward Caldwell Jones and guard Johnny Moore, making both unrestricted free agents.

College

Arizona - Announced defensive tackle Ivory Irvin has been disqualified for academic reasons.

California (Pa.) - Named Jing Pu women's volleyball coach.

Clarion State - Named Sue Flaherty women's volleyball coach; named Terry Acker women's tennis coach; named Ron Wiser men's and women's track and cross-country coach.

James Madison - Named Drew Wittman men's tennis coach and Pat Henner men's cross-country and track coach.

Miami - Senior guard Thomas Hocker dropped out of school.

Ohio Wesleyan - Named Lelan Rogers lacrosse coach.

Trenton State - Named Kurt Vollherbst and Terry Martin assistant football coaches.

Football

British Columbia (CFL) - Transferred slotback Jan Carinci to the injured list; released quarterback Rickey Foggie.

Calgary (CFL) - Transferred linebacker Paul Clatney to the injured list.

Dallas - Traded offensive tackle Dave Widell to the Denver Broncos for a 1991 draft choice and a conditional draft choice in 1992; claimed offensive tackle Mike Graybill off waivers from Cleveland.

Hamilton (CFL) - Activated running back David Adams, wide receiver James Harris, linebackers Virgil Robertson and John Zajdel and offensive tackle Greg Reynard from the practice roster; activated linebacker Peter Giftopoulos and center Dale Sanderson from the reserve list; placed running Back Derrick McAdoo and offensive lineman Dave Richardson on the reserve list; placed wide receiver Lee Morris on the practice roster; released defensive end Grover Covington, linebacker Ed Gataveckas and defensive back Junior Robinson.

Indianapolis - Waived tight end Dwayne O'Connor, defensive backs Orsorio Jackson and David Rider, linebacker Tony Massey, running back Alfred Rawls offensive lineman Caesar Rentie and wide receiver Dale Amos.

Miami - Cut tight end Phil Ross, wide receivers Andre Johnson, Dee Smith, Curt Reed, linebacker Randy Cockerell, guard Craig Schneider, punter Brett Holley and kicker Sam Flores.

New Orleans - Released wide weceiver Robert Brady.

Philadelphia - Signed linebacker Byron Evans to 2-year contract.

Saskatchewan (CFL) - Activated slotback David Pitcher from the practice roster; placed running back Paul Bushey on the reserve list.

Toronto (CFL) - Placed quarterback Rickey Foggie on the reserve list; placed offensive lineman John Coflin on the disabled list.

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BOSTON (AUG. 24) UPI - A small twin-engine plane piloted by a major developer crashed between two houses early Friday, erupting into flames and killing all three people aboard, authorities said.

The pilot was identified as Michael Spear, 49, president of The Rouse Co. of Columbia, Md. His wife, Judith, 47, and their daughter Jodi, 19, were also killed in the crash.

No one on the ground was seriously hurt, officials said.

The twin-engine turbo-prop Piper Cheyenne was bound for Logan International Airport from the Cape Cod town of Chatham, the Federal Aviation Administration said.

Spear aborted his first approach to Logan about 6:24 a.m. because he could not slow the plane, the FAA said. Controllers told him to climb while circling west over Boston but Spear responded that his left engine was on fire.

The plane dropped off radar at 6:33 a.m., crashed and burst into flames in the driveway between the two single-family homes in the city's Mattapan section, setting both houses on fire, authorities said.

Neighbors said the occupants of one house were away on vacation and that five people in the other house fled to safety. Neighbors said a man who lived in the house helped two women and two children escape out a window and suffered minor injuries in the process.

Residents said they heard the plane coming in low about 6:30 a.m. and that its engines seemed to be ''grumbling'' as if it were in trouble.

''I was putting out the trash and heard a plane coming in low, about treetop level,'' said one neighbor. ''The engine cut off and I heard a big bang.''

Another resident, Alice Grant, said she saw something streaking out of the sky.

''I heard a loud noise and then saw a fireball burst into the sky,'' she said. She said the engine was ''grumbling, as if it was in trouble.''

Because the plane was making an instrument approach to Logan in fog at the time, the FAA closed Logan closed to incoming flights for about two hours so the facilities' instruments could be checked.

The plane was trying to land on the airport's only open runway amid heavy fog, said Massachusetts Port Authority spokesman Phillip Orlandella. The runway is specially designed for instrument-only landings.

Spear never declared an emergency but controllers treated the flight with the same urgency as if he had, FAA spokesman Michael Ciccarelli said.

The FAA investigation is expected to last at least a month, Ciccarelli said.

Officials said Spear was an experienced and commercially certified pilot.

The Rouse Co. is a major developer of malls across the country and was the primary builder of Columbia, a planned community about 25 miles north of Washington, D.C.

Police and fire units went to the scene as neighbors were roused from their homes. Mayor Raymond Flynn also went and complained again about allowing small aircraft to use Logan during peak periods when larger aircraft are landing and departing.

But Logan Director Patrick Moscaritolo said Flynn's complaints are with federal law, not airport regulations.

On June 26, 1987, a twin-engine Piper Seneca on a flight from New Jersey crashed into a Dorchester neighborhood, killing the pilot. At least three homes were burned and three people on the ground were hurt.

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BRISBANE, Australia (AUG. 24) UPI - A schoolgirl who watched American singer Bobby Brown simulate sex on stage was later allegedly raped by the singer's father, police said in court Friday.

A Brisbane magistrate's court preliminary hearing heard charges alleging that Herbert James Brown, 60, a Korean War veteran from North Ridge, Calif., raped and deprived the 16-year-old girl of her liberty and assualted her older girlfriend.

The girl who claims she was raped appeared in closed court, but her friend later testified in open court.

The court heard that both girls had attended Bobby Brown's concert last month and later met and danced with Herbert Brown at a city nightclub.

Both girls drank alcohol and accompanied him to his hotel room, where both girls drank from separate bottles of champagne.

Under cross-examination by defense lawyer, Adrian Gunderlach, the girl agreed that her friend had been ''turned on'' by Bobby Brown's stage antics, which included simulated sex.

She agreed her friend had gone to the concert wearing jeans and a see-through shirt and it was alleged she was also carrying a condom.

It was also alleged the girl had sex with the bass guitarist in Brown's band in the elder Brown's hotel room and that photographs had been taken of her having sex.

Neither of the girls met Bobby Brown during the incident.

The court heard that police went to the hotel room and that the girl who claimed she was raped at first denied being sexually assualted by the elder Brown.

The hearing was adjourned to January, when the bass guitarist is to give evidence.

Herbert Brown has been allowed bail of $40,000 and the court was told he intended to return to the United States for a kidney operation.

Brown has not been required to enter a plea at the hearing, which is to determine if there is sufficient evidence against him to commit him for trial.

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#90236u2525 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA, NICARAGUA (AUG. 24) UPI - The United States is expected to deliver $118 million in aid to Nicaragua next month as part of the aid package President Bush promised the country's new government, the U.S. ambassador said Friday.

The money, which will arrive in the form of a bank transfer, is the second and largest installment of the $300 million in aid approved last May by Congress.

''The exact purposes and conditions of the aid are yet to be worked out,'' U.S. Ambassador Harry Shlaudeman told United Press International in an interview. ''We believe it will come in September.''

Shlaudeman said about $50 million of the installment will be earmarked to pay off part of the approximately $240 million Nicaragua owes to the World Bank and the Inter-American Development Bank.

He said the United States was encouraging other Western donor countries to also deliver aid soon for the same purpose.

Shlaudeman oversaw the delivery Friday of $2 million worth of fruit and vegetable seeds that was donated by private U.S. companies to help individuals in Nicaragua survive the deep recession affecting the country.

The donated seeds, which will be distributed for private garden purposes, were arranged by U.S. Rep. Cas Ballenger, D-N.C., and by the Portland, Ore.-based Mercy Corps, a private development corporation.

''We're very anxious to see this process of democratization work here,''

Shlaudeman said of President Violeta Chamorro's 5-month-old government. ''We recognize the tremendous difficulties the government faces ... and we will do what we can to help.''

He criticized the Sandinistas for ''damaging efforts to revitalize the economy.''

''They're penalizing the whole country,'' Shlaudeman said of the Sandinistas, who lost elections to Chamorro Feb. 25 and have since been fighting her plans to change the socialist economy in favor of Western-style capitalism.

Chamorro's economic recovery plan has been suffering under Sandinista strikes and other efforts to stymie her projects. A Sandinista coalition of gasoline station operators threatened Friday to shut down their stations on Monday if Chamorro doesn't lift a newly imposed 4 percent tax.

The gasoline operators, who control the wide majority of stations in the Managua area, complained that the 4 percent tax reduces their profit per gallon to 2 percent, not including operating costs.

Like many countries, Nicaragua has been hard hit by the crisis in the Persian Gulf. Nicaragua used to receive its oil from the Soviet Union but since July 1 has been buying it from Venezuela, which along with other OPEC countries has been jacking prices.

A large portion of the remaining aid was allocated for the disarmament and resettlement of the U.S.-backed Contra rebels. They completed their disarmament in June under U.N. supervision but many continue to be fed and sheltered with the U.S. money, which has virtually dried up.

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#90236u2544 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - A Soviet U-N official says Moscow has agreed to allow the use of ''minimum force'' to ensure the success of U-N sanctions against Iraq. Moscow's new position removes a significant impediment for Washington in its bid to gain U-N support for the use of force to quarantine Iraq.

British officials say a midnight deadline set by Iraq for embassies in Kuwait to close has passed without incident. However, it is reported that power was cut to the British embassy, and that Iraqi troops were stationed outside several foreign compounds.

Several countries have removed their diplomatic staffs from Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. However, many other nations... among them members of the European Community, Japan and the United States... have refused to abide by

Baghdad's order so as NOT to imply they recognize the validity of Iraq's annexation of Kuwait.

An official Syrian authority in Damascus says Irish hostage Brian Keenan is ''in the hands of Syrian authorities,'' and will be turned over to Irish officials tomorrow. Keenan was held by a pro-Iranian Moslem group in Lebanon for more than four years.

Former hostage Frank Reed plans to be on hand to greet Brian Keenan when he returns from Syria tomorrow. Reed, who ended 44 months of captivity April 30th, was held with Keenan for six months. Both men are educators.

A federal judge in Pennsylvania has ruled that state's anti-abortion law UNconstitutional. The action by U-S District Judge Daniel Huyett sets the stage for a likely Supreme Court challenge. Among other things, the measure called for a 24-hour waiting period before a woman could get an abortion.

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#90236u2547 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - President Bush today informed congressional leaders he does NOT support recommendations that federal workers receive pay raises of 22 percent to 39 percent. Those figures came from Bush's pay advisers. Bush, instead, supports raises of three-point-five percent.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami says the eighth tropical depression of the season has formed in the open Atlantic... some 750 miles east of the island of Barbados. Forecasters expect the front to gather strength by tomorrow.

Three chemical plant workers in Houston were injured today when a cloud of chemical dust was spewed from a machine where heavy oil is converted into gasoline. A spokesman for the Lyondell Petrochemical Company says the cloud posed NO threat to the public.

It took New Orleans' firefighters four hours to control a seven-alarm fire along the Mississippi River. The blaze destroyed a two-block-long wharf and closed river traffic for about two hours. Two firefighters suffered smoke inhalation while another was treated for minor burns.

Ford Motors says it will NOT reopen its Mustang car plant in Dearborn, Michigan, until September 10th. The facility has been closed since August 13th... and is idle for the fourth time this year.

Salt Lake City picked up the qualified support today of the University of Utah as the city prepares a bid for the 1998 Winter Olympics. School officials say their support is contingent on the event NOT disrupting the

academic progress of students and faculty.

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#90236u2603 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

BURBANK, CA (AUG. 24) UPI - Award-winning composer-conductor David Rose died of heart disease Thursday at St. Joseph's Medical Center, it was announced Friday. He was 80.

Rose, who was singer Judy Garland's first husband and a former husband of comedian Martha Raye, won televison Emmy Awards for his musical contributions to ''An Evening With Fred Astaire,'' ''Bonanza,'' and two for ''Little House on the Prairie.''

During his 65-year musical career, Rose recorded more than 50 albums, scored 36 motion pictures and provided the background music and themes for 24 television series.

His best known compositions were ''Holiday For Strings'' and ''The Stripper.'' Both earned gold records.

Born in London in 1910, Rose studied piano as a child. He moved to Chicago when he was 16 to join the Ted Fiorito Orchestra. He held various musical positions at NBC in Chicago before coming to Los Angeles in the 1930s to establish his own musical radio show titled ''California Melodies'' for the Mutual Broadcasting System.

Rose joined the U.S. Army in 1942 and was assigned to a motion picture unit providing music for training films. Among his service assignments was writing the score for the production ''Winged Victory.''

Returning to civilian life, he conducted music for such radio stars as Red Skelton, Jack Benny and Bob Hope and in TV. he provided the themes and backgrounds for ''Highway Patrol,'' ''Sea Hunt,'' ''Bracken's World'' and other programs.

His career included a 14-year association with ''Bonanza'' and 10 years with ''Little House on the Prairie.'' Among his recent assignments was ''Highway to Heaven.''

As a musical director at MGM, Rose scored films for Esther Williams, Jane Powell, Doris Day and Paul Newman. In later years, he conducted symphony orchestras in Copenhagen, London, Paris, Hamburg, Berlin and Rome.

His contributions to classical music included ''Concerto for Flute and Orchestra,'' which was premiered by the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra.

Rose was married and divorced from comedian Raye, before becoming

Garland's first husband in 1941. They separated in 1943 and divorced in 1945.

Rose, who lived in the San Fernando Valley, collected model scale railways. He left a widow, Betty, and two daughters, Melanie and Angela.

A family spokesman said private funeral services were planned.

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#90236u2680 08/24/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 24) UPI - General Electric advertises itself as bringing ''good things to life.'' Some one-thousand G-E workers might dispute that claim following today's announcement that the industrial giant plans to lay them off. Those affected include 650 workers at G-E's Massachusetts aerospace plant and all 400 employees at an Alabama plant. G-E blames the cuts on ''a shrinking defense market.''

The Persian Gulf crisis has had an affect on oil prices and the stock market, but now it's threatening to break up a fragile alliance of Native Americans dependent on subsistence hunting along the Alaskan and Canadian coastline. Alaskan Eskimos and Gwich'in Indians are at odds over oil drilling near their caribou hunting grounds... with the Eskimos changing their position to favor drilling since Iraq invaded Kuwait.

22 people in the Himalayan mountain kingdom of Nepal are under arrest for stoning the royal family's limousine. The queen, two of her children and her sister were the target of protesters yesterday while they rode to a festival. The members of the royal family were NOT hurt, but the limousine was badly damaged. Nepalese political leaders denounced the attack.

Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley today UNveiled a comprehensive new city policy for dealing with AIDS. The program calls for confidentiality of AIDS tests, sets standards for workplace safety, sets policy on AIDS discrimination and plans the education of city employees and the public. L-A city officials who helped develop the program call it ''the most comprehensive'' AIDS policy in the nation.

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#90237d1200 08/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (AUG. 25) - U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar Saturday called on Iraq's foreign minister to meet with him next week in New York or Geneva for talks on reaching a "peaceful solution" to the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar made the invitation during a press conference in the Colombian capital, where he was on an official visit.

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#90237p8791 08/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - America's 10 most beautiful women range in age from 18 to 56, from Winona Ryder to Shirley MacLaine, and most of them have to work at looking lovely.

These women include, according to an article in the current issue of Harper's Bazaar, Ryder, MacLaine, Isabella Rossellini, Kelly Lynch, Andie MacDowell, Farrah Fawcett, Jennifer Jason Leigh, Janet Jackson, Julia Roberts and Meg Ryan.

They follow regimens that range from Ryder's eat-anything diet to Jackson, who has switched desserts from strawberry Haagen-Dazs to a tiny cup of green wheatgrass juice.

Farrah Fawcett, 43, who bounced onto the television screen 14 years ago in "Charlie's Angels," started doing 60 sit-ups a day when she was 12. While once she had pecan pie for breakfast and mustard sandwiches for lunch, now she prefers fruits, vegetables, grilled fish and chicken. She said of herself: "There are a few lines I wish weren't there, and I could probably have less stress in my life. But Ryan (O'Neal, her off- screen companion) said something wonderful. He thinks I look better because I have character in my face and that it's very sexy."

Isabella Rossellini, 38, top model and screen star, tends to stay home at night and get eight hours of sleep ("I'm not that social") and tries to eat three meals a day. "I'm European," she said, "so I'm not obsessed with dieting."

Kelly Lynch, 30, grew up water-skiing, roller skating and windsurfing and said, "When you start out life that way, it takes a minimum amount of maintenance to keep trim." Lately she has taken up running. "You should never run so fast you can't carry on a conversation," she said, adding, "If I don't run, I tire early. When I do, I find I have much more energy."

Andie MacDowell, 32, knows she is not perfect. "My eyes are small, but I don't worry about them," she said. "I just have to wear light eye makeup. If I put on too much, it makes them look worse."

Jennifer Jason Leigh, 28, goes to a gym two to four hours a week. About diet, she said, "I avoid dairy foods, red meat, salt, sugar and white four. The diet is mostly vegetables, proteins and fruit. But eating that way gives me a lot more energy."

MacLaine, 56, exercises at least and hour a day, but she prefers to concentrate on feeling beautiful. "I'm at my best when I'm in a natural

setting -- a mountain landscape with a babbling stream filled with clean, cold water." she said.

Janet Jackson, 24, organizes her exercising to keep people around her in softball or volleyball games or a group visit to a roller-skating rink. "I still have a lot of kid left in me," she said. For her perfect complexion, she swills 12 glasses of room-temperature water a day and sticks to spartan vegetarian meals, ending with that wheatgrass juice.

Julia Roberts, 22, has a personal trainer and never forgets to exercise. "I need it for my mind as well as my body; it keeps me focused and strong " she said.

Meg Ryan, 26, said "Beauty has to do with how much you like yourself, how you perceive yourself," and added, "I also understand that's easy to say but sometimes hard to do." Good health matters more to her than looking glamorous. She tries to exercise daily and drinks lots of water for her complexion.

Winona Ryder, 18, stays out of the sun, which protects her complexion, but as she told Harper's Bazaar, she is no fan of low calorie cuisine. "I love ice cream, pasta and Italian food, " she said, "and my metabolism allows me to eat what I want. I don't need to exercise to control my weight, but I should, because I have more energy and sleep better when I do."

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#90237u0122 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (AUG. 25) UPI - Residents of Vulcan, a small town in the western Canadian province of Alberta, want pointy-eared Mr. Spock of ''Star Trek'' fame to come home.

Although the Vulcans from the farming and ranching town of 1,500 aren't from Spock's dusty planet in the 1960's science fiction show, they want to arrange a large Star Trek convention next summer to celebration the show's 25th anniversary and invite Leonard Nimoy, the actor who played Spock.

The town's Economic Development Committee decided Vulcan, named more than 80 years ago for the mythical Roman god of fire, needed a gimmick to draw tourists, Mayor Bill Yee said.

''Our town, for the last 10 to 20 years, has been standing still,'' Yee said.

''We want to get our town on the map of North America,'' Yee said. ''We got the name of Vulcan and we're going to use it.''

Paramount, which owns the licensing rights to the shows, is discussing the possibility of giving the town some rights, a spokesman said.

''Right now we're at the discussion state,'' said Jonathan Zilli, Paramount director of International Licensing.

Greg Deitz, who has spearheaded part of the town's campaign, said besides inviting Nimoy to a Trekkie convention, there may be other gimmicks.

A theatre may run Star Trek repeats or the town may have a model of the starship USS Enterprise, Deitz said.

Most of the town's residents own their own pair of made-in-Hong Kong Spock ears, modeled after the ears of the fictitious Spock who had green blood.

Peter Pickersgill, editor of the local newspaper The Vulcan Advocate, which has a pair of Spock ears on the masthead, said ''it's a fun thing.''

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#90237u0134 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 25) UPI - The Federal Election Commission sued the National Republican Senatorial Committee for making illegal contributions totaling millions of dollars to GOP Senate candidates in 1986.

The lawsuit, filed Friday in U.S. District Court, came after the NRSC refused to accept a penalty that would require it to pay the federal government up to $2.7 million it had collected from individuals and improperly turned over to the Republican candidates.

In court papers, the FEC contends that the committee exceeded lawful contribution limits through a scheme in which it promised to ''earmark'' solicited individual donations for 12 candidates but then funneled the money to Republicans it determined needed the money most.

The suit says that in some cases candidates received tens of thousands of dollars in excess of federal limits, which cap at $17,500 the amount that political committees may contribute to federal candidates.

Officials with the Republican committee were unavailable for comment.

FEC spokesman Fred Eiland, said, ''We tried to negotiate with them, (but) could not.'' He added, ''There were serious indications of violations here.''

Ironically, the FEC refused to take action against the committee when Common Cause, a lobbying group, filed a complaint in October 1986 alleging that the scheme was improper.

Although the FEC did agree that the Republican committee violated federal law by failing to count the cost of the direct mail solicitations of the 12 candidates toward the $17,500 limit, the six FEC commissioners, three Republicans and three Democrats, split along party lines on whether to proceed on the larger complaint.

Common Cause then sued the FEC, asserting that the commission's dismissal of the complaint was ''arbitrary and capricious and contrary to law.''

In January, U.S. District Judge Gerhard Gesell essentially agreed with the charge and ordered the commission to reach a settlement with the Republican committee.

But the FEC failed to act, and Gesell, at the request of Common Cause, ordered the commission to explain the delay at a Sept. 7 hearing.

On Friday, Roger Witten, a Washington lawyer representing Common Cause, said, ''I believe the commission's (latest) position is well founded.'' Witten called the NRSC scheme ''outrageously in violation of the rules.'' He added, ''This was a stew of their own making.''

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#90237u0137 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 25) UPI - Kuwait's ambassador to the United States, Sheikh Saud Nasir al-Sabah, says his country's resistance to the Iraqi invasion is increasing and is now able ''to make life miserable for the Iraqi army.''

But that resistance, he said, is also paying a cost in lives.

Al-Sabah, a member of the Kuwaiti ruling family that is now in exile in Saudi Arabia, spoke in an interview with United Press International this week in the spacious living quarters of the Kuwait Embassy in Washington.

Sipping sweetened tea and smoking a small cigar, he apologized for appearing in what he called his ''household robe,'' a long, white silken robe with a high collar.

Normally he is seen in impeccable London-tailored suits and white-collared shirts. Bags under his eyes and occasional breaks in his voice testified to his three hours of sleep per night and an almost unbroken series of meetings, interviews and conferences at the Pentagon, the White House and the State Department.

He said many young Kuwaitis, who had been out of the country when the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion took place, are being infiltrated back into the country to lead the resistance which, he said, ''is beginning to make life miserable for the Iraqi army.''

The resistance, he said, includes nighttime snipers and, two days ago, a woman who drove a suicide car-bomb into an Iraqi military headquarters.

It also includes, he said, ''kids who make graffiti during the night.''

''Unfortunately,'' he said, ''The Iraqis caught four of them two days ago and shot them, killed them. These are brutal people.''

Kuwait women, he said, are demonstrating and this week Iraqi forces opened fire on a street demonstration, killing six women and three children.

But he believes time is on the side of the resistance, and that Saddam Hussein, the Iraqi leader, is becoming increasingly isolated in the world community, faced with a possible rebellion at home and disaffection within the military forces.

The ambassador said that Saddam has had to pull back his elite Republican Guards, who composed the main invasion force, and replace them with untrained, undisciplined young troops ''who are just sitting there in the heat and waiting. They don't know why they are there. Iraqi morale is very very low.''

Iraqi troops, he said, used to patrol the streets at night, but snipers have put an end to that. When the sun goes down, he said, the Iraqis retire to their fortified headquarters and the streets belong to the resistance.

The Iraqi military authorities, he said, have begun to move in Iraqi civilians, who are taking over Kuwaiti homes. New military occupation identity cards are being issued to the entire population.

Al-Sabah, a handsome, balding man who has the Terry-Thomas gap in his front teeth characteristic of the ruling family, for the first time expressed doubts about his government's actions in the period before the Iraqi invasion.

The United Arab Emirates, like Kuwait a small, rich and vulnerable state that was also threatened by Iraq, chose to join with U.S. military forces in a joint training exercise in the tense period before the Iraqi assault. While Kuwait was taken over, the U.A.E. was not, and has now allowed American aircraft and troops to be based in the country.

''In hindsight,'' he said, ''Maybe we should have done what the U.A.E did.''

But, he said, ''We were given assurances by four nations that Saddam Hussein wouldn't attack. Never in our dreams did we believe Iraq would use force against us. Now this horrible nightmare has become horrible reality.''

He continues to believe that time is on the side of Kuwait, that Iraq will become increasingly isolated economically and politically, and that Saddam Hussein will be forced to pull back. But he doesn't know how that will happen.

''Whether it will be peacefully or by military means, I just don't know.''

But he is convinced that if the Iraqis decide to move against the approximately 60 foreign embassies in Kuwait city, ''That will be a clear act of war. These are going to be crucial days.''

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#90237u0139 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 25) UPI - As the clock ran out on the Iraqi deadline for closing embassies in Kuwait, the man on the spot for the United States was Ambassador Nathaniel Howell, a 50-year-old veteran of Middle East trouble spots.

Howell and about 10 other American diplomats remained in Kuwait Friday under orders to keep the flag flying over the embassy and to try to keep in touch with an estimated 2,500 Americans believed still in the Iraqi-occupied nation.

About a dozen Iraqi soldiers clustered outside the embassy, according to the State Department, and an embassy vehicle had been rolled across the gate, preventing anybody from going in. Only one man - a non-diplomat - was permitted to leave. Food and water was reported to be in adequate supply.

Howell, a native of southern Virginia who speaks Arabic and French, waved goodbye to his wife, Margie, and more than 100 other Americans Thursday at the Iraqi border. The convoy of about 30 cars arrived Friday in Baghdad after a 19-hour journey marked by mechanical breakdowns and long waits at checkpoints, but the Americans were not allowed to leave the Iraqi capital.

Howell returned to Kuwait, with its sporadic telephone service - known to be tapped by Iraqis trying to locate Americans - and streets heavily patrolled by Iraqi troops.

The embassy set up a code system to communicate with the Americans without tipping off the Iraqis.

A career diplomat who holds a Ph.D. in government and foreign affairs from the University of Virginia, Howell is a highly regarded specialist in Arabian affairs. He has served in Cairo, Beirut and in Washington, where he was a special assistant in the State Department's Bureau of Near East and South Asian Affairs.

A burly, graying man with a close-cropped beard, Howell is regarded by his colleagues as one of the intellectuals of the foreign service. One colleague recalled that Howell was co-author of a prize-winning essay on strategy when he was a student at the National War College.

He also was given the State Department's Award for Valor for his work in Beirut in 1977, keeping in touch with the situation and Americans in Lebanon despite the civil war that was raging through the country.

One colleague, who preferred not to be identified, said, ''Howell is a pro. He's been under fire. He'll do fine.''

George Jones, a vice president of the American Foreign Service Association said, ''This is what the Foreign Service does, to obey the president's instructions. If he wants us to stay there, that's what we do.''

Howell, who has served almost exactly three years as ambassador to Kuwait, was given full authority by the State Department to make decisions on the spot, including deciding who would remain behind with him.

The only other American in Kuwait identified by the department was William Colwell, the chief consular officer.

The U.S. Embassy compound in Kuwait also sheltered about 10 other U.S. diplomats, plus an unknown number of American civilians who have taken refuge there. The department refused to give any exact numbers in order to deny the Iraqis information they might not have.

In Kennebunkport, Maine, where President Bush is on vacation, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said, ''The United States will maintain its embassy in Kuwait with a small staff, headed by Ambassador Howell, to look after the interests of the American community there and as a symbol of our rejection of Iraq's illegal occupation and annexation of Kuwait.''

He added, ''We call upon Iraq to observe international agreements protecting the activities and persons of diplomatic establishments in Kuwait.''

Iraq had warned that the staff of embassies remaining open would lose

their diplomatic immunity after Friday and would be treated as ''normal citizens.''

Fitzwater, asked if the United States would retaliate against Iraqi diplomats in the United States, said, ''No, it would not be appropriate.''

In Kuwait, all but two or three of the 65 embassies appeared to be defying the closure order. The Soviet Union evacuated all its diplomatic personnel but said it had not legally closed its now-empty embassy.

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#90237u0150 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 25) UPI - Some 700 Romanian riot police Friday night quelled a demonstration by several hundred rock-throwing protesters in Bucharest. It was the largest show of force since June 14th... when security forces broke up a seven-week-old protest by anti-government demonstrators. Friday's disorganized rally was the third consecutive night of anti-government protests.

The battle to dramatize the plight of those stricken with AIDS is receiving support from a somewhat UNexpected source- the nation's Rotary Clubs. Three California Rotarians tell their stories in a 30-minute documentary to be aired Monday night. One of the Rotarians is a gay man, another got AIDS through a blood transfusion and the third lost a son to the disease.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	67	57	.540	-	39-21	28-36	5-5	W-1
Toronto	66	60	.524	2	33-30	33-30	5-5	L-1
Baltimore	59	64	.480	7 1/2	28-28	31-36	4-6	W-1
Cleveland	57	67	.460	10	32-29	25-38	3-7	L-1
Detroit	58	68	.460	10	30-35	28-34	5-5	L-1
Milwaukee	57	67	.460	10	28-34	29-33	8-2	W-2
New York	52	72	.419	15	29-31	23-41	6-4	L-2

West

Oakland	79	46	.632	-	40-22	39-24	6-4	W-2
Chicago	73	50	.593	5	38-27	35-23	7-3	W-2
Texas	65	60	.520	14	36-27	29-33	6-4	W-2
Kansas City	63	62	.504	16	38-28	25-34	7-3	W-5
California	61	65	.484	18 1/2	32-30	29-35	5-5	L-4

Seattle	61	65	.484	18 1/2	32-33	29-32	3-7	L-3
Minnesota	55	70	.440	24	29-33	26-37	1-9	L-9

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(AUG. 25) - SATURDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR:

Baseball
American League

Oakland at Detroit, 1:15 p.m.
Milwaukee at New York, 1:30 p.m.
Boston at Toronto, 3:15 p.m.
California at Chicago, 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Seattle at Kansas City, 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Texas, 8:35 p.m.

National League

New York at Los Angeles, 3:15 p.m.
Philadelphia at San Francisco, 3:15 p.m.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
Chicago at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m.
San Diego at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Houston, 8:05 p.m.

Auto Racing

Bristol, Tenn. - NASCAR Busch 500.

Bowling

Chicago - U.S. National Amateur Championships.

Exhibition Football

Atlanta vs. Green Bay at Milwaukee, 6 p.m.
Buffalo at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
Denver at Miami, 8 p.m.
NY Jets at NY Giants, 8 p.m.
Phoenix at LA Rams, 7 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Dallas, 8 p.m.
San Francisco at San Diego, 6 p.m.
Washington at Cleveland, 7 p.m.

Golf

Akron, Ohio - PGA NEC World Series of Golf
Minneapolis - $375,000 Northgate LPGA Classic
Chattanooga, Tenn. - PGA Chattanooga Classic.
Kenmore, Wash. - GTE Northwest Classic.

Harness Racing

Yonkers, N.Y. - The Cane Pace.

Horse Racing

Saratoga Springs, N.Y. - The Hopeful Stakes.

Tennis

Mahwah, N.J. - Women's $225,000 United Jersey Bank Classic

Track and Field

Linkoping, Sweden - Modern Pentathlon, Women's World Championships

Volleyball

China - Women's World Championships

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#90237u0190 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

VIENNA (AUG. 25) UPI - Only about half of OPEC's 13 oil ministers have signed up for weekend emergency talks in Vienna in an indication of a split in the cartel over raising oil production in response to the Persian Gulf crisis.

A spokesman of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries confirmed that ''consultative talks'' would be held Sunday in the Austrian capital but said it was unlikely all 13 countries would be represented.

''So far only six or seven have said they will come,'' said the spokesman Friday, who declined to be identified by name. The official said other countries could sign up for the meeting up until the last minute.

In Jarkata, Indonesia's Mines and Energy Minister Ginandjar Kartasasmita said the informal talks could be upgraded to an emergency meeting if support could be gained from 10 of the 13 OPEC members.

Ginandjar told reporters before his departure for Vienna that the convening of an emergency OPEC meeting depends on the results of Sunday's

session.

The OPEC spokesman said the cartel cannot make decisions on oil production quotas unless a quorum of 10 is present.

Among those who have indicated they will attend were Algeria, Qatar, Indonesia, Nigeria, Iran and Gabon. OPEC had not received confirmation from Saudi Arabia or Venezuela.

OPEC analysts in Vienna said Saudi Arabia, which failed earlier in the week to win support for a formal conference, had decided not to attend the informal talks.

Saudi Arabia has proposed a formal meeting to raise quotas to compensate for the 4 million barrels a day lost worldwide by the U.N. embargo of Kuwaiti and Iraqi crude - imposed in response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Saudis have threatened to increase their oil production unilaterally unless OPEC collectively approved a rise.

OPEC President Sadek Boussena Monday rejected the Saudi proposal for a formal meeting on the grounds that it was not supported by a majority.

U.S. industry sources said the Saudi proposal was opposed by a majority of seven members - Algeria, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Libya, Ecuador and Nigeria.

Three of these - Ecuador, Indonesia and Nigeria - are believed, however, to wavering in their opposition, the U.S. sources said.

Supporting the Saudi proposal to raise output are Venezuela, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Gabon and Kuwait, whose representation within the cartel may be debatable because its output is currently controlled by Iraq.

The OPEC spokesman in Vienna said Sunday's talks would consist of a series of informal, private meetings in the hotel rooms where the various delegations were staying.

OPEC President Sadek Boussena, the Algerian oil minister, was in the Saudi Arabian city of Jeddah Friday for talks with his Saudi counterpart, Hisham Nazer, OPEC's official news agency OPECNA said.

''Boussena ... will discuss with Nazer the current situation in the oil market and how best to deal with the loss of 4.6 million barrels a day of oil from Iraq and Kuwait,'' OPECNA said.

Oil prices fell early Friday, influenced partly by the prospects that the Sunday meeting would lead to a rise in OPEC production.

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#90237u0194 08/25/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 25) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 1b	3	0	1	0	Kelly cf	4	0	2	0
Gantner 2b	4	0	1	0	Sax 2b	4	0	1	0
Sheffield 3b	1	0	0	0	Azocar lf	4	0	0	0
Parker dh	4	0	1	0	Hall dh	3	0	1	0
Yount cf	3	0	0	0	Balboni dh	1	0	0	0
Deer rf	4	0	0	0	Maas 1b	3	0	1	0
Felder rf	0	0	0	0	Barfield rf	4	0	0	0
Hamilton lf	4	0	0	0	Leyritz 3b	3	0	1	0
O'Brien c	4	0	1	0	Geren c	2	0	1	0
Spiers ss	3	1	1	0	Nokes c	1	0	0	0
					Espinoza ss	2	0	0	0
					Cerone ph	1	0	0	0
					Tolleson ss	0	0	0	0
Totals	30	1	5	0	Totals	32	0	7	0

Milwaukee 000 010 000- 1
New York 000 000 000- 0

E-Sax, Maas. DP-Milwaukee 1, New York 2. LOB-Milwaukee 7, New York 7.
2B-Maas. 3B-Gantner. SB-Gantner (12), Kelly (31).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Knudson (W 10-6)	7	6	0	0	1	1
Crim	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Plesac (S 21)	1 1-3	0	0	0	1	2
New York						
Leary (L 7-16)	9	5	1	1	5	10

WP-Leary. T-2:59. A-20,191.
Umpires-Home, Phillips; 1b, Hirsch- beck; 3b, McCoy.

CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Cole Jr cf	6	0	0	0	Anderson lf	3	1	1	0
Browne 2b	5	0	1	1	Melvin ph	1	0	0	0
DiJames 1b	5	0	0	1	Gallagher lf	1	0	0	0
Phelps 1b	0	0	0	0	Orsulak rf	4	0	0	1
Maldonado lf	4	0	1	0	Ripken Jr ss	5	0	1	3
DJames dh	4	1	1	0	Horn 1b	3	0	0	0
Jacoby 3b	3	0	1	0	Segui 1b	0	0	0	0

Webster pr	0	0	0	0	Kittle dh	4	0	0	0
Brookens 3b	1	0	1	0	Tettleton c	2	1	0	0
Snyder rf	4	0	0	0	Devereax cf	4	0	1	0
Alomar c	4	1	1	1	Wrthngtn 3b	3	1	1	0
Fermin ss	2	1	1	0	Ripken 2b	4	1	3	1
Baerga ss	2	1	2	1	Finley pr	0	1	0	0
Totals	40	4	9	4	Totals	34	5	7	5

Cleveland 000 021 001 00- 4
Baltimore 002 101 000 01- 5

E-Horn. LOB-Cleveland 9, Baltimore 11. 2B-Maldonado, Ripken, Ripken Jr, Alomar. HR-Baerga (4). SB-Fermin (2), Anderson (8), Webster (20), Finley (18). S-Worthington 2, Snyder. SF- Alomar, Ripken Jr.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Walker	5 2-3	6	4	4	5	6
EValdez	0	0	0	0	2	0
Olin	2	1	0	0	0	1
Orosco	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Ward (L 1-2)	2 2-3	0	1	1	4	2
Baltimore						
Telford	5	6	3	2	2	6
Schilling	3	0	0	0	2	3
Olson	2	2	1	1	0	1
Price (W 2-2)	1	1	0	0	0	1

Telford pitched to 2 batters in the 6th.

T-4:16. A-32,053.
Umpires-Home, Shulock; 1b, McClel- land; 2b, Denkinger; 3b, Voltaggio.

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi
Reed 2b	4	0	0	0	Wilson cf	3	0	2	0
Quintana 1b	4	0	1	0	Fernandz ss	4	0	0	0
Boggs 3b	4	1	1	0	Gruber 3b	4	0	0	0
Burks cf	4	0	0	0	Bell lf	4	0	0	0
Greenwell lf	4	1	2	0	McGriff 1b	3	0	0	0
Marshall dh	4	0	2	1	Olerud dh	4	0	1	0
Brunnsky rf	4	0	1	1	Myers c	2	0	1	0
Pena c	4	0	1	0	Williams pr	0	0	0	0
Rivera ss	4	0	1	0	Borders c	1	0	0	0
					Lee 2b	3	0	0	0
					Mulliniks ph	1	0	0	0
					Felix rf	2	0	1	0
Totals	36	2	9	2	Totals	31	0	5	0

Boston 000 000 002- 2
Toronto 000 000 000- 0

E-Bell. DP-Boston 1. LOB-Boston 7, Toronto 8. 2B-Myers. SB-Wilson (22), Felix (12).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Kiecker (W 5-6)	8	5	0	0	4	5
Gray (S 5)	1	0	0	0	0	2
Toronto						
Key	7	5	0	0	0	4
Ward (L 2-7)	2	4	2	2	0	1

WP-Kiecker. T-2:45. A-49,914.
Umpires-Home, Welke; 1b, Coble; 2b, Evans; 3b, Ford.

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi
RHendrsn lf	3	1	0	0	Phillips 2b	5	1	2	0
Lansford 3b	5	1	2	2	Fryman 3b	5	1	1	1
Canseco dh	4	1	1	0	Trammell ss	5	0	3	2
McGwire 1b	4	1	0	1	Fielder 1b	5	0	2	1
Hassey c	4	0	2	2	Moseby cf	4	0	0	0
Jose cf	4	0	3	1	Sheets dh	3	0	1	0
Howitt rf	4	0	0	0	Shelby dh	1	0	1	0
Lewis cf	0	0	0	0	Ward lf	3	0	0	0
Randolph 2b	4	1	2	0	Whitaker 2b	1	0	0	0
Gallego ss	3	1	0	0	Lemon rf	2	1	0	0
					Bergman lf	1	0	0	0
					Salas c	3	0	2	0
					Heath c	1	1	0	0
Totals	35	6	10	6	Totals	39	4	12	4

Oakland 002 400 000- 6
Detroit 110 000 200- 4

E-Gallego, Moseby, Fryman, Ran- dolph. DP-Oakland 1, Detroit 1. LOB-Oakland 8, Detroit 9. 2B-Fielder 2, Trammell 3, Lansford. SB-RHenderson (51), Phillips (16), Canseco (16). S- Gallego. SF-Hassey.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Sanderson (W 13-8)	5	8	2	2	1	3
Nelson	1 2-3	2	2	1	0	0
Honeycutt	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Eckersley (S 39)	2	2	0	0	0	3
Detroit						
Terrell (L 2-2)	3	8	6	6	3	1
Parker	2 2-3	2	0	0	1	0
Gibson	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Henneman	2	0	0	0	0	1

Terrell pitched to 4 batters in the 4th,
Sanderson pitched to 1 batter in the 6th.

T-3:19. A-29,613.
Umpires-Home, Scott; 1b, Roe; 2b, Garcia; 3b, Palermo.

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Downing dh	3	0	0	0	Sosa rf	4	1	1	0
Coachmn 3b	4	0	0	0	Bradley cf	2	1	1	0
Davis lf	4	1	3	1	Ventura 3b	0	0	0	0
Winfield rf	4	0	1	1	Calderon lf	4	1	4	1
Stevens 1b	3	0	0	0	Thomas dh	1	1	0	0
Bichette cf	4	0	2	0	Fisk c	3	0	1	3
Parrish c	4	0	0	0	Martinez 1b	3	0	0	0
Hill 2b	4	0	0	0	Johnson cf	1	1	1	0
Schofield ss	1	1	0	0	Fletcher 2b	4	0	0	0
					Grebeck 3b	3	0	0	0
					Lyons 1b	1	0	0	0
					Guillen ss	4	0	1	1
Totals	31	2	6	2	Totals	30	5	9	5

California 002 000 000- 2
Chicago 003 000 11x- 5

E-Hill. DP-California 1, Chicago 1. LOB-California 6, Chicago 8. 2B-Winfield, Fisk. SB-Sosa (23), Johnson 2 (24). S-Bradley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Abbott (L 8-12)	6 1-3	7	4	4	5	1
Fraser	1	1	1	1	1	0
McClure	2-3	1	0	0	0	2
Chicago						
Edwards (W 3-2)	6	5	2	2	3	7
Pall	1	0	0	0	0	2
Jones	1	0	0	0	0	0
Thigpen (S 43)	1	1	0	0	1	0

T-3:09. A-29,024.
Umpires-Home, Hickox; 1b, Johnson; 2b, Young; 3b, Cousins.

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	4	0	1	0	Pecota 3b	3	0	0	0
EMartinz 3b	4	0	0	0	Perry ph	0	0	0	1
Griffey cf	3	1	1	0	Jeltz 2b	0	0	0	0
Briley lf	0	0	0	0	McRae cf	5	0	2	1

ADavis dh	3	1	2	2	Brett 1b	4	0	1	0
O'Brien 1b	4	0	2	0	Tartabull dh	3	0	2	0
CMartinz 1b	2	0	0	0	Tabler rf	3	0	1	0
Cotto cf	2	0	0	0	Eisenreich r	1	0	0	0
Buhner rf	4	0	0	0	Wilson lf	4	1	1	1
Bradley c	4	0	0	0	Stillwell ss	2	2	1	0
Valle c	0	0	0	0	Macfarlan c	3	1	1	0
Vizquel ss	4	1	3	0	White 2b	2	0	0	0
					Seitzer 3b	2	0	1	1
Totals	34	3	9	2	Totals	32	4	10	4

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Seattle	001 101 000- 3
Kansas City	000 000 202- 4

E-White. DP-Seattle 2, Kansas City 1. LOB-Seattle 8, Kansas City 8. 2B-Reynolds, Macfarlane, O'Brien. 3B-Griffey. HR-ADavis (11), Wilson (2). SB-Vizquel 2 (3). SF-ADavis, Perry.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Young	6 1-3	8	2	2	2	7
MJackson	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Comstock	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Schooler	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harris (L 1-2)	2-3	2	2	2	3	0
Kansas City						
McGaffigan	5 1-3	6	3	2	2	6
Sanchez	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Crawford	2 1-3	2	0	0	0	3
Farr (W 10-5)	1	1	0	0	0	0

HBP-by Crawford (EMartinez). WP- MJackson. T-3:08. A-30,888.
Umpires-Home, Morrison; 1b, Joyce; 2b, Barnett; 3b, Kosc.

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Gladden lf	4	0	0	0	Pettis cf	4	0	0	0
Liriano 2b	4	0	0	0	Kunkel 3b	4	0	1	2
Hrbek 1b	3	0	1	0	Palmeiro 1b	3	0	2	0
Gaetti 3b	4	0	0	0	Sierra rf	4	0	2	0
Larkin dh	2	0	2	0	Franco 2b	4	0	0	0
Harper c	3	0	0	0	Incaviglia lf	3	0	0	0
Mack cf	3	0	0	0	Baines dh	4	1	1	0
Moses rf	2	0	1	0	Stanley c	1	0	0	0
Gagne ss	2	0	0	0	Green ss	2	0	1	0
Newman ss	1	0	0	0	JoRussell ph	0	1	0	0
					Huson ss	0	0	0	0

Totals	28	0	4	0	Totals	29	2	7	2

Minnesota 000 000 000- 0
Texas 000 000 20x- 2

DP-Texas 2. LOB-Minnesota 4, Texas 8. 2B-Palmeiro, Green, Kunkel. SB-Sierra (7). S-Stanley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Guthrie (L 4-7)	6 2-3	7	2	2	2	4
Leach	1 1-3	0	0	0	1	2
Texas						
McMurtry	5	2	0	0	3	1
Barfield (W 3-0)	2	2	0	0	0	1
Arnsberg (S 5)	2	0	0	0	0	0

HBP-by Guthrie (Incaviglia). T-2:22. A-22,301.
Umpires-Home, Cooney; 1b, Ceder- strom; 2b, Tschida; 3b, Brinkman.

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HARRISBURG, Pa (AUG. 25) UPI - A federal judge declared the major provisions of Pennsylvania's abortion law unconstitutional, setting the stage for an almost-certain appeal to the Supreme Court for a review of Roe vs. Wade.

U.S. District Judge Daniel Huyett III's 191-page opinion, filed in Philadelphia Friday, upheld his previous injunctions against the law.

The law, regarded as the toughest state anti-abortion legislation in the country, was passed last November by the General Assembly and signed by Democratic Gov. Robert P. Casey.

It imposed a 24-hour waiting period before women can obtain an abortion and required wives to notify their husbands of their intent to get an abortion.

A spokesman for Casey, who opposes abortion and is running for election to a second term in November, said the opinion was still being read but an appeal to the Supreme Court is likely.

''We continue to feel the law is consistent with the Constitution as interpreted by the Supreme Court,'' said Deputy Press Secretary John Taylor. ''I don't think there's any question that the decision will be appealed.''

Casey's Republican gubernatorial opponent, Auditor General Barbara Hafer,

''would have vetoed the bill'' if she were governor when it passed, said her campaign manager, Patrick Killian.

''I'm glad the courts saw the error of (the Legislature's) ways and threw out what is a very onerous piece of legislation as far as the women of Pennsylvania are concerned,'' Killian said.

Attorney General Ernie Preate Jr., saying he was ''disappointed but not surprised,'' vowed to file an appeal with the 3rd Circuit Court of Appeals within 30 days.

Supporters of the law hope it will lead to the overturning of Roe vs. Wade the 1973 decision that legalized abortion.

In Roe, the court found a right of privacy in the Constitution that guaranteed a woman's freedom to choose abortion. It has since been bitterly opposed, primarily by religious groups, who say the ruling ignored the rights of the aborted fetus.

Huyett observed that the right to abortion is not as secure as it appeared after the Roe ruling.

''A woman's privacy rights and individual automomy may soon be subjected to the vicissitudes of the legislative process,'' Huyett wrote. ''Therefore, the protection afforded will depend on the ballot box and the nature of the protection, if any, could vary from term to term depending on the composition of the Legislature.''

Apparently left intact after Huyett's ruling was a provision in the law barring so-called sex-selection abortions. The provision was not challenged by the American Civil Liberties Union, which filed the suit.

The ACLU also did not directly challenge the ban on abortions after 24 weeks, but instead objected to the term ''medical emergency,'' saying it was too vague to provide any real protection. By barring the term, Huyett said he had rendered the provision unenforceable.

During a trial that ended earlier this month in Reading, the American Civil Liberties Union asked Huyett to declare the 1989 law and a similar 1988 law unconstitutional.

Thomas Zemaitis, a Philadelphia lawyer for the ACLU, said in closing arguments that the laws ''deprive women of dignity.''

''There can be no doubt that the challenged portions (of the laws) interfere with a woman's fundamental right in precisely the way condemned by Roe vs. Wade and cases following that,'' Zemaitis said.

The restrictive provisions are either unconstitutionally vague or violate free speech, privacy and equal protection laws, Zemaitis said.

Senior Deputy State Attorney General Kate Mershimer argued that the controls were legitimately devised by the state to protect and promote the health of women without placing undue burdens on them.

Mershimer also contended both laws fall well within the guidelines prescribed by the Supreme Court when the court broadened the states' regulatory powers on abortion in last year's Webster vs. Reproductive Health Services decision.

Howard Fetterhoff, executive director of the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference which lobbied for the law, said the ruling was disappointing but not unexpected.

''I'm hoping, as most people on our side are, the law will be appealed to the Supreme Court and will get a more favorable decision,'' Fetterhoff said.

Linda Wharton, an attorney for the Pennsylvania ACLU, said the case ''could well offer the post-Brennan Supreme Court its first opportunity to overturn Roe vs. Wade. If that happens, we could wind up back in the days when abortion was unsafe and illegal.''

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RENO, NV (AUG. 25) UPI - A judge rejected a landmark product liability suit against the heavy metal band Judas Priest, ruling that messages unintentionally embedded in the band's music did not lead two young men to commit suicide.

State District Judge Jerry Whitehead rejected the $6.2 million suit Friday by the families of Raymond Belknap and James Vance, who claimed a subliminal message of ''do it'' on the album ''Stained Class'' made the two shoot themselves in 1985.

However, the judge awarded $40,000 in sanctions against CBS Records, which released the album and was sued along with the band, on grounds it attempted to withhold original master recordings for the album.

Whitehead said the families lost the case ''because they failed to prove that defendants intentionally placed subliminal messages on the album and that those messages were a cause'' of the suicide pact between Belknap and Vance.

The judge said in his 93-page ruling that the ''do it'' message heard on

the song ''Better by You, Better by Me'' was a combination of a singer exhaling on one track and a guitar playing on another track.

Whitehead said ''the words 'do it' are the result of a chance combination of sounds: The words were not intentionally formed.''

The judge said there was ''credible factual support from a lay witnesss'' that the Belknap and Vance perceived the subliminal message. But he said other factors prompted the suicide of ''these troubled young men.''

For the families to collect money, Whitehead said, they would have had to show a ''clear, conscious and intentional act'' on the part of Judas Priest.

Whitehead listened to 43 witnesses during 19 days of testimony, which ended Aug. 10.

If successful, the product liability lawsuit could have had far-reaching effects of the record industry, forcing companies to screen lyrics or face the possibility of having to pay huge punitive damages in similar cases.

Kenneth McKenna, attorney for the Belknap family, said he was disappointed with the ruling but predicted, ''This will not be the last case. There will be others and sooner or later someone will win.''

But McKenna said he doubted there would be an appeal of Whitehead's ruling.

The band's lead singer, Rob Halford, praised the ruling, saying it was a ''great day for Judas Priest and for all the artists of America.''

''Artists of all kinds have learned enough in this trial to know that anything with the word 'subliminal' is like playing with a stick of dynamite,'' Halford said in a telephone interview from Mexico, where he is on vacation.

''There are going to be two-bit lawyers waiting in the wings to run out at any given opportunity to slap a lawsuit on any artist.''

The parents sued Judas Priest and CBS, claiming the subliminal messages drove the young men to make a suicide pact after listening to the music for several hours while drinking beer and smoking marijuana.

Halford denied there were any hidden messages on the album but admitted under cross-examination that he once recorded a backward message on another album as an artistic experiment.

Belknap, 18, and Vance, 20, listened to the Judas Priest album for hours as they drank and smoked marijuana on Dec. 23, 1985, before tearing up

Belknap's room and taking a sawed-off shotgun to a nearby playground.

Belknap put the gun to his throat and pulled the trigger, killing himself instantly. Vance then shot himself - blowing away the lower portion of his face - but lived three years before dying of complications from his wounds.

Lawyers for the parents argued that ''Stained Class'' contains subliminal messages and other hidden phrases that can only be heard when the album is played backward. They also maintained the masked messages can be unscrambled by the subconscious mind, no matter which direction the record is played.

They said the message ''do it'' was concealed in ''Better by You, Better by Me.'' But Halford maintained the so-called subliminal message was the exhalation of his breath and a combination of other studio sounds.

Halford performed part of the song in court, singing the lyrics, ''Better by me, better than you. You can tell her what I want it to be.'' He said the exhalations demonstrated in court were the same he uses when performing.

In at least three previous cases - in California, Georgia and New Jersey - fans of heavy metal have killed themselves after listening to the album ''Suicide Solution'' by the rock singer Ozzy Ozbourne, another artist who has recorded for CBS.

The California case was dismissed before coming to trial when a court ruled that song lyrics were protected by the free speech provisions of the First Amendment. The Georgia case is still pending, and heavy metal is no longer a factor in the New Jersey case.

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PASADENA, CA (AUG. 25) UPI - NASA engineers are trying to understand why they twice lost contact with the valuable Magellan space probe orbiting Venus and brace for the problem to occur again.

The scientists released Friday new images of the surface of Venus, including a picture of a crater 20 miles in diameter, collected by Magellan before trouble began as a sample of will be produced once the problem is finally solved.

But in the meantime, technicians pored over data from the spacecraft's memory in search of the cause of the glitches and assembled emergency plans in case it happens again.

''We're concerned that we're dealing with a problem that is not an

isolated failure. We're concerned that there is something external that is initiating these probelms and it may happen again. So we're getting ready '' said project engineer John Slonski.

''It's our job now to look at all the possibilities and pick the ones that are the most likely and then protect ourselves against recurrence,'' he said at a news conference at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

Slonski stressed the craft appears to be in good shape, is safe and has been able to keep itself in a stable configuration while out of touch with its handlers about 145 million miles away on Earth.

''The spacecraft is pointing at the Earth, the solar panels are pointing at the sun and the spacecraft is stable,'' he said.

Engineers are studying a variety of theories, including the possibility of a glitch ''lurking in the software'' or that the craft's a solid rocket motor failed to completely separate when the probe went into orbit around Venus Aug. 10, said project manager Anthony Spear.

''What we know is the computer ran away, ran amok'' at that point, Spear said.

But until they uncover the cause, workers were compiling a list of commands to send to the craft to restore contact if the problem occurs again and moving the craft into a less intense safety mode to give them added protection.

''In case we never find the exact cause of this problem I want a safing action that the spacecraft takes to establish quick communications to Earth. My heart can't stand this 17-hour loss of signal,'' Spear said.

Engineers had hoped to begin 243 days of mapping the cloud-shrouded surface of Venus Sept. 1 using Magellan's high-tech radar. But the work now will probably not begin until mid-September at the earliest, Spear said.

''This is very contingent on what the problem is and how many more problems we're going to get hit by,'' he said.

Scientists involved in the $551 million project hope detailed images of Venus will help them understand what created the planet's hellish environment and provide insights into what could happen to Earth.

Test images taken before the spacecraft lost contact showed a tortured planet wracked by volcanos, lava-filled valleys and giant fault systems indicative of frequent ''venusquakes.''

''We're really milking the data,'' Spear said. ''However ... we're going to turn the spigot on soon once we get this ... spacecraft incident squared away.''

Engineers were testing the radar system Aug. 16 when the spacecraft went into a state of protective hibernation. Magellan was out of contact with Earth when the event occurred and contact was not restored until the following day.

Workers were studying what put the spacecraft into hibernation when Magellan's radio signal faded again Tuesday. Ground controllers ordered the craft to ignore certain aspects of its protective computer programming and search for Earth, restoring contact after about 17 tense hours.

While Magellan was out of contact Tuesday, the 2 1/2-ton craft burned an unusual amount of fuel and a master computer switched back and forth, indicating the craft had moved back and forth like a ''pendulum'' for some reason, Slonski said.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	74	51	.569	-	37-25	37-26	8-2	L-2
New York	70	53	.569	3	40-22	30-31	5-5	W-1
Montreal	64	60	.516	9 1/2	33-24	31-36	4-6	L-2
Chicago	59	65	.476	14 1/2	31-32	28-33	4-6	L-3
Philadel.	58	65	.472	15	29-28	29-37	5-5	L-3
St. Louis	58	67	.464	16	30-38	28-29	4-6	W-1

West

Cincinnati	71	53	.573	-	37-25	33-29	4-6	W-1
Los Angeles	65	60	.520	6 1/2	37-27	28-33	6-4	L-1
San Fran.	65	60	.520	6 1/2	35-27	30-33	5-5	W-3
San Diego	59	64	.480	11 1/2	32-35	27-29	5-5	W-1
Houston	55	71	.437	17	35-26	20-45	5-5	L-1
Atlanta	48	77	.384	23 1/2	26-35	22-42	5-5	W-1

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WOODBURY, N.Y. (AUG. 25) UPI - The safety chain or lock on a ride at a church fair broke, catapulting a 6-year-old boy from his seat on the ''Swinger'' and into a fence, police said Saturday.

David Green, of Oyster Bay, was treated and released at Syosset Hospital for head contusions and abrasions after the 10 p.m. Friday accident at the Holy Name of Jesus Church Fair, said Nassau County police.

The little boy was riding in a swing-type seat on the ''Swinger'' ride, which is suspended by chains and swings the rider in a 360-degree circle, police said.

''The safety chain or lock on the youth's seat broke, and the boy was sent into the air, striking a fence,'' a statement from police said.

A spokesman for police said it was not known if anyone was riding with the little boy when the accident occurred.

The ride, owned by Louis J. Newton & Sons, of Northport, was shut down following the mishap, and an investigation into the accident was continuing.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - The United States introduced a draft resolution to the U-N Security Council late Friday night... calling for military forces in the Persian Gulf to use- quote- ''measures commensurate to the specific circumstances as may be necessary.'' Previously, the U-S-offered measure called for the use of ''minimum force'' to ensure compliance with U-N sanctions against Iraq. The new wording appears to be a compromise to win the support of the Soviet Union.

Earlier on Friday, Moscow voiced support for the use of force to ensure the success of the U-N embargo against Iraq. However, Moscow said it still hopes to achieve a negotiated end to the standoff in the Middle East. The new proposal is expected to be hammered out by the 15 members of the Security Council and voted on before dawn Saturday. Approval calls for nine affirmative votes with NONE of the five permanent members vetoing.

Judicial sources in the Salvadoran capital say a soldier ordered held in the November massacre of six Jesuit priests dashed out of the courtroom Friday. The soldier in question offered false testimony and was implicated as a participant by several soldiers detained for the slayings. Also Friday, the judge hearing the case refused a defense motion to transfer the case. The defense is expected to appeal the ruling... which could stall the slow-moving investigation.

The U-S ambassador to Nicaragua says some 118-Million dollars in U-S aid is expected to arrive in the Latin American country next month. Ambassador Harry Shlaudeman told U-P-I Friday that the terms of the aid have NOT yet been worked out, but says 50-Million dollars has been earmarked to offset

a 240-Million-dollar debt Nicaragua has with international lendors. The package is the second and largest installment of assistance from Washington since Violeta Chamorro became president.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - Sudanese rebels, concerned about another famine, are allowing food shipments to resume through the southern part of the African nation. Between 1986 and 1989, an estimated 300-thousand people died of hunger in the region... with transportation problems related to the war blamed as a key reason. A Red Cross official says he understands a trainload of food is already headed for the open border.

A New York medical professor has a new idea for encouraging organ donations. Dr. Felix Rappaport told a conference of transplant specialists meeting in San Francisco Friday that organ donors should be honored as ''Heroes of the Nation'' and ''given equal status with war veterans.'' Rappaport says Mexico is already considering a program to provide burial costs and special recognition to organ donors.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - In the middle of a pennant race, the Boston Red Sox turned to a rookie who was coming off his worst start of his career to keep the Blue Jays from flying into a tie for first.

Dana Kiecker, starting in place of Boston ace Roger Clemens who was given an extra day's rest, did the job by scattering five hits over eight innings to lead Boston Friday night to a 2-0 victory over Toronto at the SkyDome.

With the win, Toronto fell to two games behind the AL East leading Red Sox.

Kiecker, 5-6, who entered the 1990 season with no-major league service, benefited from run-scoring singles by Mike Marshall and Tom Brunansky in the top of the ninth inning which broke a scoreless tie.

Jeff Gray retired the side in the ninth to earn his fifth save.

Duane Ward, 2-7, who allowed both runs on four hits over two innings of relief, took the loss.

Kiecker's performance impressed Boston Manager Joe Morgan.

''This was a game, even with Roger pitching tomorrow, we really couldn't afford to lose,'' Morgan said. ''It was a big effort by us and an even

bigger effort by Kiecker.

''He threw harder tonight than I thought he could throw, and we had just enough offense to win, didn't we?''

Kiecker might have had enough offense but he was happy the Red Sox had enough faith in him. Kiecker failed to retire a batter in his last start, on Aug. 21, a 9-5 loss against Baltimore in which he allowed four runs.

''When you come off a start like I had, you want to get back in there as soon as you can,'' Kiecker said. ''It gave Roger and Greg (Harris) another days rest, but I appreciated getting the opportunity to get back in there right away.''

This time Kiecker stayed in the game after throwing 121 pitches.

Clemens, 18-5, will start against Toronto on Saturday, will have to work hard to improve upon Kiecker's performance.

Looking ahead, Gaston added a final thought.

''It won't be easy tommorrow against Roger. We've definetly got our work cut out for us now.''

Kiecker constantly frustrated Toronto, despite getting in trouble by walking four Jays, but proved good enough to blank them through eight innings.

''My job, especially on the road, is to keep us in the game as long as I can,'' Kiecker said. ''Sometimes it's not pretty, but as long as we win, that's the main thing.''

Meanwhile Marshall, who was traded from the Mets to the Boston in late July, downplayed his contribution and gave all the credit to the 29-year old right-hander.

''Dana Kiecker won this game for us tonight. He pitched a great eight innings and without him, we lose this game.''

-- AROUND THE AL --

Elsewhere in the AL, Milwaukee blanked New York 1-0,at New York, Oakland caged Detroit 6-4, Chicago downed California 5-2, Texas zipped Minnesota 2-0, Baltimore scalped Cleveland 5-4 in 11 innings and Kansas City edged Seattle 4-3.

Brewers 1, Yankees 0

At New York, Mark Knudson allowed six hits over seven innings and Bill Spiers scored on a wild pitch to lift Milwaukee. Knudson, 10-6, improved to 4-0 lifetime against New York. Dan Plesac, pitched the final 1 1-3 innings for his 21st save. Tim Leary, 7-16, went the distance to take the loss.

Athletics 6, Tigers 4

At Detroit, Carney Lansford's tie-breaking two-run double ignited a four-run fourth inning to carry Oakland. Scott Sanderson raised his record to 13-8 with five innings of eight-hit ball. Dennis Eckersley pitched the last two innings for his 39th save. Walt Terrell fell to 2-2.

White Sox 5, Angels 2

At Chicago, Carlton Fisk smacked a three-run double and Ivan Calderon went 4 for 4 with an RBI single, to boost Chicago to its seventh win in its last 10 games. Rookie Wayne Edwards, improved to 3-2. Reliever Bobby Thigpen pitched the ninth for his major league-leading 43rd save. Jim Abbott, fell to 8-12,.

Rangers 2, Twins 0

At Arlington, Jeff Kunkel, batting .176 after three futile efforts at the plate, doubled home the game's only runs in the seventh to lift Texas and hand Minnesota its ninth straight loss. John Barfield, 3-0, pitched the sixth and seventh for the victory. Arnsberg picked up his fifth save. Mark Guthrie, 4-7, lasted 6 2-3 innings, to take the loss.

Orioles 5, Indians 4, 11 innings

At Baltimore, Cal Ripken lifted a one-out sacrifice fly in the 11th inning to score pinch runner Steve Finley and lift Baltimore. Joe Price, 2-2, got the win. Colby Ward, 1-2, took the loss. Baltimore improved to a major-league best 11-4 in extra-inning games this season.

Royals 4, Mariners 3

At Kansas City, Mo., Brian McRae knocked in the winning run with an infield hit, scoring Mike Macfarlane from third to carry Kansas City. Steve Farr, 10-5, the fourth Royals pitcher, got the win. Gene Harris, 1-1 took the loss. Jay Buhner of the Mariners struck out four times to run his consecutive strikeout streak to eight, tying the American league record shared by Milwaukee's Gorman Thomas in 1975 and Rick Monday of Oakland in 1970.

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#90237u0310 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 25) UPI - Iraq encircled the U.S. Embassy and some 20 other foreign missions in occupied Kuwait Saturday, cutting off their water, power and telephone links and using troops and tanks to prevent food supplies entering the compounds, diplomats said.

At the United Nations, the Security Council voted early Saturday to back a U.S. proposal to use limited military force to implement the worldwide U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

The resolution, backed by the Soviet Union and a surprise vote by China, in effect would allow the United States and other nations to stop, by force if necessary, vessels trying to violate the U.N. embargo against Iraq.

Iraq blocked more than 100 American diplomats and their dependents from leaving the country. Iraqi officials said in Bagdhad they would keep male diplomats hostage but allow their families to leave.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on Friday called on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to remove his occupation forces from the tiny emirate or face the consequences.

''The Iraqis are blockading the embassies and trying to starve the diplomats out,'' a West European diplomat monitoring the Kuwait situation from the Persian Gulf state of Bahrain said in a telephone interview.

''(Saddam) has condemned the U.N. embargo on Iraq but he is doing exactly the same thing to the diplomats in Kuwait,'' the envoy said. ''The Iraqis have cut power and water off to many compounds. In this heat, we don't know how long they will be able to last and who will crack first.

''The Iraqis have also cut the telephone and telex links of some embassies ... only those with radio communications can get messages through, the rest are in the dark ... they can only listen to the radio.''

It was not immediately clear how long diplomats in embassies of the United States, members of the 12-member European Community, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, China, Sweden, Poland, Yugoslavia, Canada and Bangladesh were required by their governments to resist the blockade.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher asked the four remaining British diplomats in Kuwait to stay put for as long as possible, and warned that individual Iraqi soldiers and civilians would be held responsible if any harm befell either the envoys or British citizens held ''as guests'' in the emirate.

It appeared unlikely, however, that Iraqi troops would storm embassy

compounds and use force after a midnight deadline passed for all missions to shut down and transfer their operations from Kuwait to Baghdad.

Some missions took the Iraqi siege in their stride. The Foreign Office in London said the British ambassador in Kuwait and three remaining British diplomats were sipping champagne by candlelight in the absence of water and power.

Other missions such as those of Yugoslavia were apparently frustrated by their inability to communicate with the foreign ministry in Belgrade to receive fresh instructions.

The Japanese, Indian and Soviet missions evacuated their staff for fear of possible Iraqi retaliation.

In Amman, Jordanian Crown Prince Hassan called in an interview with the British Broadcasting Corp. for a lull in the campaign against Iraq, to give diplomacy a chance to find a peaceful solution. Jordan's King Hussein was expected to visit Baghdad in a last-ditch attempt to reach some form of compromise.

The vulnerable Hashemite kingdom, whose borders touch militarily powerful Iraq, was the first to obey Baghdad and close down its Kuwait mission.

Jordan on Friday reopened its border with Iraq to allow 20,000 mostly Egyptian refugees to stream through daily. There were still more than two million Egyptian, Yemeni and Western workers in Iraq and Kuwait.

Damascus Radio reported Saturday that thousands of Egyptian workers escaping from Iraq and Kuwait through Jordan would be allowed to return home through Syrian ports. Damascus, together with Egypt and Morocco, has sent troops to Saudi Arabia as part of a pan-Arab force to defend the kingdom from Iraqi attack.

In Ankara, Turkey said it might be forced to close its border with Iraq to prevent an outflow of refugees. Ankara, which abided by U.N. sanctions and stopped the flow of Iraqi oil through a Turkish overland pipeline, said it could not cope with a large refugee influx.

In the gulf, shipping sources in Dubai said they spotted the battleship USS Wisconsin - an Iowa-class vessel with nine 16-inch guns and 12 five-inch guns - steaming through the Strait of Hormuz toward the central Gulf.

The veteran ship's heavy guns, which can fire 1-ton shells, could be used to bombard targets in Iraq in case hostilities erupt between Baghdad and U.S.-led forces gathered in Saudi Arabia to deter Iraqi aggression.

Egyptian shipping officials said the U.S. carrier Dwight D. Eisenhower was reported to have left the Red Sea and returned to the Mediterranean through the Suez Canal with two accompanying U.S. warships.

The shipping officials said the U.S. aircraft carrier John F. Kennedy and supporting vessels were expected to replace the Eisenhower in the Red Sea.

In London, the wife of a British diplomat who fled Kuwait said Western nationals trapped in the oil-rich emirate wanted the U.S. military to intervene.

''Get the Americans in here fast,'' the woman told Britain's Independent Television News.

Baghdad Radio reported Saturday that Austrian President Kurt Waldheim arrived in the Iraqi capital from Amman for talks aimed at defusing the crisis that erupted after Iraq siezed Kuwait in a lightning attack Aug. 2.

Iraq announced its decision to allow families of diplomats of countries that have not complied with Iraq's decision to close its embassies in Kuwait, to leave Iraq. Baghdad Radio quoted an Iraqi official spokesman who said the decision was taken on humanitarian grounds and in response to an appeal by Jordan's King Hussein.

The spokesman, however, specified the decision did not pertain to men who would be forbidden from leaving Iraq until their countries complied with the closure order.

In another political move, Moscow invited Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid for talks. Egypt has taken the leading role in the Arab role to try to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

The United States, the 12-member European Community, China, Japan, Yugoslavia, Austria and other nations have refused the order to close the embassies, saying it would be a tacit admission that Iraq's announced annexation of the oil-rich emirate was valid.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the United States had evidence Iraq was attempting to violate U.N. economic sanctions by arranging shipments of war materials and chemical weapons.

Fitzwater said he did not know how many of the 62 embassies in Kuwait would remain open, but the majority of nations indicated they would comply with a U.N. resolution that deemed the annexation of Kuwait illegal.

Lebanon, however, recalled its ambassador for consultations while India said it would close its mission and Brazil said it would close temporarily.

In Moscow, Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh said Friday that the Soviet Union had pulled all of its embassy personnel from Kuwait and closed its doors, although legally the mission remains open.

''The situation made it impossible for them to do their work there,'' he said.

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UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 25) UPI - The U.N. Security Council decision early Saturday to authorize limited force against ships breaking the Iraqi economic embargo was seen as a hard fought victory for the United States.

Washington, which has stationed about 40 warships in the Persian Gulf, initially said it would unilaterally use force to prevent Iraqi ships from loading or unloading shipments, but then laid low, waiting for a U.N. vote that would present a united front to Iraq.

The council voted 13-0 to approve the use of ''minimal force'' - which it did not define - against suspected embargo violators after a week of negotiations between the five permanent members of the council, which includes the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain, France and China. Non-permanent members Cuba and Yemen abstained from the final vote, saying evidence showed the embargo was working without the use of force.

Britain and France were strong supporters of the measure, having sent warships to the area to join the U.S. forces in implementing the sanctions. But sources said China and the Soviet Union had to be convinced of the measure's merit in long negotiating sessions. The final vote came at 4 a.m. EDT.

U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering said his government was ''gratified'' by the vote, which he called ''historic and significant.''

He said the resolution gave sufficient authority for a broad use of ''minimum force'' on the high seas to prevent ships from breaking the embargo.

Iraqi U.N. Ambassador Abdul Amair Al-Anbari told the council that the resolution was ''unjustifiable'' and ''very dangerous'' because it did not give the Security Council or the U.N. secretary-general ''any real authority in supervising the use of force by states.''

The resolution set ''no real limits, boundaries for the use of force in high seas,'' Al-Anbari said.

The United Nations imposed the embargo Aug. 6 to punish the government of

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for rejecting a Security Council demand that he withdraw his more than 100,000 troops from Kuwait. Iraq invaded the emirate, the third largest oil exporting country in the world, on Aug. 2.

Saturday's resolution, the fifth measure against Iraq since the invasion, allowed countries that cooperate with Kuwait and which have maritime forces in the area to ''use such measures commensurate to the specific circumstances as may be necessary under the authority of the Security Council to halt all inward and outward maritime shipping.''

It warships can stop ships suspected of breaking the embargo but did not specify how the ships could be stopped. The United States lobbed warning shots across the bows of two Iraqi oil tankers last week, but did not stop them when they proceeded on course.

French Ambassador Pierre-Louis Blanc said the use of minimum force should be applied ''at the last resort'' to verify cargoes and their destinations.

Along with the five permanent members, the non-permanent members which supported the U.S. proposal were Canada, Colombia, Finland, Malaysia, Ethiopia, Ivory Coast, Zaire and Romania.

Soviet deputy U.N. permanent representative Valentin Lozinskiy accused Iraq of continued defiance of U.N. resolutions and for taking ''steps contrary to the U.N. Charter and to challenge the international community.''

''The Soviet Union cannot fail to have serious concern with regards to violations by Iraq,'' Lozinskiy said of Moscow's former strong ally.

''While it is necessary to ensure the implementation of the sanctions resolution, very limited means of force can be used,'' he said.

The wording in the adopted document was a compromise to win support from the Soviet Union, which said that it would only join a multinational naval force set up by the Security Council.

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#90237u0338 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

YOKOSUKA, JAPAN (AUG. 25) UPI - A flotilla of Greenpeace boats tried Saturday to block a U.S. warship with nuclear capability from reaching its new home port, but was held aside by government patrol boats, the environmental group said.

Greenpeace dispatched 13 boats to protest the arrival of the U.S. destroyer Hewitt to its new homeport at the U.S. Naval base in Yokosuka,

30 miles south from Tokyo, Greenpeace spokesman Naoki Ohara said.

About a dozen Maritime Safety Agency patrol boats blocked the Greenpeace vessels, keeping all out of the path of the U.S. warship as it made its first entry into the port, Ohara said.

Greenpeace launched its ''Nuclear Free Seas'' campaign July 6 after the aircraft carrier USS Midway, which is capable of carrying nuclear weapons, docked at Yokosuka following a pair of explosions onboard, he said.

The U.S. Navy, adhering to a longstanding policy, would not confirm if the Hewitt was carrying nuclear weapons.

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#90237u0345 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA (AUG. 25) UPI - Almost half a million Liberian refugees have fled to three countries adjacent to strife-torn nation, a fact-finding group from the Organization of African Unity reported Saturday.

Back from a tour of west African countries, the OAU mission said it estimated there were now 300,000 Liberian refugees in Guinea, 60,000 in Sierra Leone and 117,000 in the Ivory Coast, most of them women and children escaping Liberia's 8-month-old brutal civil war.

Acting secretary general of the 51-nation OAU, M.T. Mapuranga, called on all west African countries to help resolve the burgeoning refugee problem.

The OAU, Africa's oldest cooperative international organization, headquartered in Ethiopia, pledged at its annual heads of state summit in July to try to solve the plight of the continent's estimated 5 million refugees and 12 million displaced persons.

Tens of tousands of Liberians have died, most the victims of grisly massacres, since rebel leader Charles Taylor led a band of heavily armed men and women into eastern Liberia on Christmas Eve last year.

Taylor, who vowed to end the 10-year rule of President Samuel Doe, fought his way to the suburbs of Liberia's capital Monrovia. But his movement stalled when Doe launched a last-ditch resistance and when his own band split into two factions.

More and more members of the Gio and Mano tribes that supported Taylor have been fleeing Liberia because Doe's troops have targeted them for reprisal massacres, officials said.

The OAU also announced Saturday it would send an observer to Gambia to

attend talks aimed at stopping the Liberian conflict.

On Friday, Taylor said he would attend the talks, sponsored by the Economic Community of West African States, ECOWAS, despite his pledge to take up arms against an ECOWAS peace-keeping force currently trying to enter Liberia.

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#90237u0349 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (AUG. 25) UPI - Four Iraqi pilots arrested after having ''escaped'' from a French air base remained restricted to the military compound Saturday, authorities said.

The four were among 12 Iraqi pilots whose training missions in France were suspended following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Police at Orly Airport arrested one of the pilots Friday as he attempted to board a Royal Jordanian flight for Amman. Authorities said he left the training base at Rochefort, in western France, telling officers that he was visiting a girlfriend in a nearby town.

The three other pilots were arrested Thursday night on a train bound for Paris, apparently with the intention of returning to Iraq, officials said.

None of the pilots were carrying passports, according to authorities.

The presence of the Iraqis has posed a diplomatic dilemma for French authorities. Officials have declined to call the pilots captives or hostages for fear of comparisons with Westerners held by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, but have nonetheless declined to allow them to return home.

Defense ministry officials said the pilots would be restricted to the air base but that they would be ''free to circulate within the base.''

Interior ministry officials said police acted on the authority of a 1946 law that limits the validity of a foreign national's residence permit according to his or her activity. The pilots' residence permits are valid only for the air base and they would therefore require safe-conduct passes from French military authorities to leave the country, officials said.

Up to now, there has been no formal Iraqi request for the return of the pilots, according to officials.

Defense officials said the pilots have been transferred to another location at the base ''for their own security'' where they can be more closely watched.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

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Anchorage cy	66	48	.01
Asheville pc	83	68	.40
Atlanta pc	91	73	....
Baltimore pc	79	67	....
Billings ts	78	55	....
Birmingham hz	96	72	....
Bismarck ts	91	57	.88
Boston r	71	65	2.11
Brownsville pc	95	77	....
Buffalo pc	82	65	.19
Burlington Vt. pc	77	65	....
Charleston S.C.pc	84	82	....
Charlotte pc	85	73	....
Chicago pc	84	68	....
Cincinnati sy	82	63	....
Cleveland pc	75	60	....
Columbus Ohio sy	79	62	....
Dallas sy	98	74	....
Denver sy	86	56	....
Des Moines pc	89	62	.02
Detroit pc	82	64	....
Duluth ts	80	64	1.19
El Paso sy	92	63	....
Evansville sy	88	63	....
Fargo ts	87	61	....
Hartford cy	72	67	1.14
Honolulu sy	91	78	....
Houston pc	99	72	....
Indianapolis sy	83	65	....
Jackson Miss. pc	97	72	.03
Jacksonville ts	94	74	....
Kansas City sy	90	76	....
Las Vegas w	96	75	....
Little Rock c	94	75	.01
Los Angeles pc	77	65	....
Louisville sy	88	68	....
Memphis sy	92	71	....
Miami Beach ts	90	79	.07
Milwaukee ts	82	70	....
Minneapolis ts	84	66	.03
Nashville sy	89	63	....

New Orleans pc	96	78	....
New York cy	71	70	.17
Oklahoma City sy	96	73	....
Omaha sy	87	72	.09
Orlando ts	89	73	....
Philadelphia pc	79	68	....
Phoenix sy	106	77	....
Pittsburgh pc	80	63	....
Portland Me. sh	79	64	....
Portland Ore. sh	73	56	.10
Providence cy	77	67	1.19
Richmond pc	79	67	.01
St. Louis sy	88	71	....
Salt Lake City pc	85	57	....
San Antonio sy	96	76	....
San Diego pc	73	68	....
San Francisco pc	67	59	....
San Juan pc	89	78	.20
Seattle cy	70	54	....
Spokane cy	73	53	....
Tampa ts	85	74	.28
Washington pc	81	71	....
Wichita sy	98	73	....

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cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90237u0367 08/25/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 25) UPI - Around the world... around the clock, U-P-I has the latest news.

The U-N Security Council is considering a U-S-sponsored resolution that would allow military force to make sure U-N economic sanctions against

Iraq are enforced. The proposal would permit countries with military forces in the Persian Gulf to use limited force if necessary to impose the economic embargo.

The Soviet Union has joined the United States in saying limited military force might be necessary to ensure compliance with the sanctions. Soviet President Gorbachev yesterday called on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to pull his troops out of Kuwait.

An official Syrian source in Damascus says freed Irish hostage Brian Keenan is in Syria following his release yesterday by pro-Iranian Moslem extremists in Lebanon. Keenan, an English professor at the American University in Beirut, was kidnapped in Lebanon on April 11th, 1986.

Nearly two weeks of black-on-black fighting prompted the South African government to impose sweeping emergency regulations in black townships. The violence has left nearly 500 people dead. The emergency measures give police broad powers to arrest, detain and disarm warring tribal factions.

A federal judge in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, struck down that state's restrictive abortion law, calling it UNconstitutional. The ruling sets the stage for an appeal to the Supreme Court which could lead to a review of Roe versus Wade- the 1973 decision that legalized abortion.

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#90237u0380 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 25) UPI - A judge in Reno, Nevada, rejected a landmark liability suit alleging that subliminal messages in an album by the rock group Judas Priest drove two young men to suicide. Judge Jerry Whitehead yesterday ruled the families did NOT prove the group intentionally recorded subliminal messages on the album.

NASA scientists in Pasadena, California, yesterday released images of Venus taken by the Magellan probe. But they're still trying to determine why they lost contact with the orbiter twice in six days. Engineers say they're devising emergency plans in case the problems occur again.

A small twin-engine plane crashed in the Boston suburb of Mattapan yesterday, killing all three people aboard. The pilot, his wife and their 19-year-old daughter were killed when the plane went down between two houses. Police say NO one on the ground was seriously hurt.

Three men were injured yesterday in a refinery accident at the Houston Ship Channel. The accident at the Lyondell Petrochemical Company spewed a cloud of chemical dust into the air. It's the second accident in two days at the busy waterway. An explosion and fire at the Shell Oil Company refinery injured three people Thursday.

Nobel laureate and author Alexander Solzhenitsyn is rejecting a Soviet offer to return to his homeland. He says he canNOT go back before his books are available to the Soviet public. Solzhenitsyn says he first must be ''understood by his countrymen.''

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#90237u0402 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 25) UPI - Hundreds of people demanding better supplies of food and consumer goods in the Siberian city of Chelyabinsk stormed the local police headquarters in mass riots, injuring an undisclosed number of people, the Soviet news agency said Saturday.

The unrest in Chelyabinsk, a major western Siberian industrial center of 1.1 million people in the southern foothills of the Ural Mountains, began Thursday when a store refused to sell alcohol but mushroomed into an insurrection against local authorities.

''At midnight (Friday), protesters held a rally outside the (local Communist) Party headquarters demanding better supplies of food and consumer goods,'' Tass said.

An estimated 1,500 rioters also demanded increased supplies of cigarettes. A wave of protests over tobacco shorages has swept the country in recent weeks, and Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov said on television late Friday that the government had taken steps to increase imports and production.

The Chelyabinsk regional party chief, government head and other officials tried to calm the crowd ''but were met with jeers and curses blurted out through bullhorns,'' Tass reported.

Several local deputies persuaded police not to use force, saying they would take responsibility for maintaining law and order, but the throng ''marched on, smashing several cars and an ambulance on its way,'' Tass said.

The rioters went to the city's Interior Ministry building, where they demanded the release of previously detained protesters and tried to storm it but were repulsed by local police, the news agency said.

The latest Tass report said ''new casualties have been reported and more people were detained'' as a result of the rampage against police headquarters.

In an earlier report, Tass said 17 policemen and one rioter had been hurt in rampages in which ''drunken youths armed with sticks and stones'' smashed police cars and broke bus windows. A total of 138 people were

arrested, it said, but the agency did not disclose the number of casualties.

Local officials in Chelyabinsk said they were receiving dozens of phone calls demanding an end to the riots, and workers were forming vigilante brigades to enforce the law, the news agency said.

Chelyabinsk, founded in 1736 as a Russian frontier outpost, is a major stop on the trans-Siberian railroad. It is a center of ore processing, steel production and farm-machinery manufacturing.

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#90237u0444 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AUG. 25) UPI - The Brazilian government has hatched a new plan to help save the Amazon jungle - the ''lungs'' of the Earth - from systematic destruction that is believed to be contributing heavily to global warming.

But some worry the forest protection initiative will end up a failure, like so many other plans involving a wilderness half the size of the United States.

The new plan is to eliminate tax breaks now given to farmers in the Amazon basin who are making money by chopping down the very forests the government says it is trying to save.

The assumption is that by eliminating the subsidies, farmers will find it more profitable to move elsewhere instead of chopping down trees for lumber and burning hundreds of thousands of acres to make way for ranches and fields of cotton, sugar cane and other products.

But Brazilian environmentalists are skeptical.

They say the plan won't help turn back the erosion caused by settlers and corporate interests, whih have already wiped out an area roughly twice the size of Connecticut this year alone.

The destruction of the Amazon has caused an international furor because scientists believe the vast jungle plays a key role in regulating the Earth's ecosystem, particularly in regard to carbon dioxide, the key ''greenhouse'' gas linked to global warming.

Through the process of photosynthesis by trees, the Amazon soaks up enormous quantities of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere and converts it to life-sustaining oxygen, much like the lungs replenish oxygen in the body.

In addition to losing that exchange capacity, deforestation releases

carbon stored in wood that escapes when trees are burned or are chopped down and decay.

A recent report by the World Resources Institute, an environmental think-tank based in Washington, recently estimated that deforestation contributes 33 percent of annual carbon dioxide emissions caused by humans.

Citing these statistics, environmentalists have repeatedly urged the Brazilian government to protect the Amazon, where an estimated 10 million to 20 million acres a year are lost. Scientists believe 15 percent of the forest is already destroyed.

Agriculture Minister Antonio Cabrera Filho told reporters Aug. 23 that government subsidy cuts would deter would-be Amazon settlers, thus protecting the jungle against further encroachment.

''The lack of agriculture subsidies in the Amazon constitutes a drastic action to protect the region,'' Cabrera said, explaining that without price supports, farming the Amazon would not be cost effective.

Subsidies were cut on cultivation of wood, cotton, sugar cane and cattle, among others, said agriculture spokesperson Angela Nobrega Friday.

But in order to guarantee the 12 million inhabitants of the Amazon would not go hungry, Cabrera said the government would maintain subsidies and complete tax exemptions to farmers growing or gathering basic food stuffs, among them rice.

''The idea is the subsidies farmers to produce only those products native to the Amazon like the guarana (a tropical fruit), rubber, chesnuts or jute,'' used for making bags and ropes, Cabrera said.

The minister said the government would not give tax breaks or subsidies to farmers exporting products out of the Amazon, a practice which had enabled the goods to sell for artificially low prices in other parts of Brazil.

Cabrera said the government measures would continue ''until man knows the region well, and is capable of using it rationally.''

He said keeping some subsidies in Brazil was not unreasonable in view of the subsidies, which he estimated at $250 billion a year, that Western industrialized nations pay to their farmers, directly or indirectly.

But Brazilian environmentalists were skeptical of the plan, and one, Anivaldo Padilha, said that eliminating subsidies may in fact cause greater destruction by driving farmers deeper in the forest in search of potentially lucrative pursuits like gold prospecting.

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SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 25) UPI - ''The American soldiers are lost in the sands,'' crackled the female voice speaking on the radio from Iraq. ''Go home, American occupation troops, home to your wives and children, before you are swallowed up by the sands of Saudi Arabia.''

U.S. Marines deployed in Saudi Arabia to protect it from a potential Iraqi attack pay about as much attention to this sort of daily broadcast by ''Baghdad Bertha'' as they did to ''Tokyo Rose'' and ''Hanoi Jane,'' employed by earlier enemies of Washington.

''Makes you want to shoot whoever is at the mike,'' sneered a marine sergeant named Tony from San Diego. ''So we are occupying Saudi Arabia? And they are just visiting Kuwait. Gimme a break will ya?''

The first overnight visit by four reporters to units deployed closest to Iraqitroops revealed a widespread desire among the troops to prove their military prowess against the armies of President Saddam Hussein.

Saddam's hostage-taking, his personification of nastiness has given many exactly what they want: the first chance to again establish the Marine Corps' legendary battle honors against a clear-cut and formidable enemy since their ignominious 1983 retreat from Beirut after more than 200 were killed in a suicide bomb attack on the U.S. Marine Compound.

Grenada and Panama would be mere skirmishes compared with this potential conflict, and the typical marine's confidence is clearly rooted in knowledge that he is well trained to use top-line equipment believed to be superior to the Soviet-supplied Iraqi military.

''You don't want to risk your life, but you want to test your training,'' explained a lance corporal from Milwaukee named John, 26. ''They have been telling us for years that the U.S. Marine Corps is the best in the world, and this could be our final exam. There ain't nobody in the world that is invincible. But we could be the closest thing to it.''

Unlike the lightly armed airborne divisions that swiftly landed after Washington decided to commit troops to defend Saudi Arabia, the Marine Expeditionary Brigade arrived ready to fight a war on its own for 30 days without resupply.

The group, which normally has about 16,500 men, has Sea Harriers and F/A-18 fighters, Cobra helicopter gunships, armor, artillery, anti-tank jeeps, and a massive inventory of support vehicles to give the force total mobility.

Most of their equipment is like new, having been stored, unused, for several years in the Maritime Preposition Force stationed at the Indian Ocean island of Diego Garcia for exactly such an event in the Middle East.

The Marines are scattered across the desert dunes ready for orders to advance toward Kuwait or to defend Saudi Arabia should there be an invasion by the Iraqi force in the emirate of more than 170,000 men and some 1,000 tanks.

Col. Carl Fulford said some U.S. special forces were near the Kuwaiti frontier to assist in directing U.S. air and naval fire support for troops from Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Morocco and other Arab nations if Iraq invades.

But he said his battalion of 7,000 marines, scattered in an arc across a stretch of desert that cannot be named for security purposes, represented the effective front line of the U.S. ground forces deployed so far, an estimated total of about 40,000 personnel.

''The lethality of this battlefield in the matter of one day can outshine the entire Vietnam War,'' said Fulford, who served in the Asian conflict.

Saddam ''has missed his window of opportunity,'' Fulford said. ''One week or 10 days ago he could have occupied the area. Now he would have a real fight on his hands.''

His boast was born out by the troops, who to all appearances have made themselves at home in one of the planet's harshest enviornments.

They have gone to ground, living rough to acclimatize themselves with the grime and heat that at noon usually rests at 113 degrees F.

There are no luxuries and little glamor, but the soldiers are highly mobile and fitted out to be able to sever the umbilical supply line and fight autonomously for several days.

Training is nearly constant during nighttime hours, when the natural oven turns down and dust will not indicate where the Marines are stationed.

Tracked armored personnel carriers grind across desert mounds and hollows during nocturnal maneuvers like giant steel beetles.

The speed and sureness of the drivers seem inexplicable until one puts on night-vision goggles and scans the desert, which is transformed into green landscape as clear as day.

Somewhere in the distance hums the wafting clatter of U.S. gunships on night missions to test terrain-hugging flight tactics.

Daylight proves the theater to be far less surreal, with marines under orders to rest beneath camouflage shrouds set on the bleak moonscape, cleaning their weapons and constantly guzzling water.

Sustenance comes in a brown plastic bag, a ''Meal, Ready to Eat,'' about 3,500 calories of fodder prepared sometime ago in Cincinatti, Ohio.

There are favorite MREs and scorned MREs, but among the most desired marine cuisine is a lurid concoction of a pork patty, cheese spread, salt, tobasco sauce, and crushed crackers, all rehydrated into a mushy mix with a splash of water.

In the desolate region there is virtually no local population, and the Marines go about their tasks unseen and unheard by Saudi citizens.

The Marines are ready to do what Washington requests, but many said they hope this does not mean long-term deployment in the sands because of a political stalemate with Baghdad.

''Tell the mothers of America that their family names will be upheld,'' chuckled one officer. ''There is no beer, no women. ... And we certainly won't be leaving any Amer-Arabs behind.''

This Marine unit was based at 29 Palms, California, a desert training school which members said makes them well suited for this Middle East mission.

They have been issued special equipment required for confronting Iraq, particularly its known arsenal of chemical weapons.

A horn suddenly sounds and the marines instantly spring to action, shouting ''gas, gas,'' as they pass on the message to don protective masks a drill that takes nine seconds.

At one location, about 30 marines practiced with rubber boots and gloves and full body suits, charcoal-impregnated uniforms that prevent chemical agents from seeping through, but give the soldiers the appearance of Michelin men in camouflage.

The exercise is done at noon on top of a sand dune, and the soldiers practice sipping water through tubes leading into their gas masks. After 10 minutes they are ordered to defrock, and the men gasp as they tear off the masks, revealing sweat-soaked crewcuts. They hold their gloves upside down to pour out streams of perspiration.

''I think (Saddam) will use chemical weapons if we hit it,'' said a private named Robert, 22, from Clearwater, Fla. ''He is crazy enough, but we are really paranoid about chemical weapons. Heat is not going to be the

killer.''

Experts have said heat would dissipate most toxic substances, and the Marineswill have protection and sufficient mobility to move out of the area of toxic attack.

Chemicals also could be used as an area-denial tactic to precede an Iraqi armored assault, and much of the Marines' armory is dedicated to tank busting.

A battery of 155-mm howitzers lay strewn around one small oasis of palm trees, under the gaze of a herd of wild camels.

Advancing Iraqi tanks would be greeted by barrages of copperhead shells, newly developed rounds that cost $34,000 each because of they contain sophisticated homing devices that can hone in on targets that have been identified by forward observers equipped with lasers.

Incoming shells would be tracked by state-of-the-art TPQ36 fire-finder radar, which can pinpoint the the location of the source and where shells will strike.

Baghdad's armies also would have to contend with roaming squads of Humvee jeeps and armored vehicles mounted with TOW anti-tank missiles, weapons troops claimed had near-total accuracy.

''First shot. First kill. No question,'' said a sergeant named Richard, 23 from Boston, Mass. ''If anything, we have been overtrained.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 25) UPI - Police hunted a fifth suspect Saturday in the killing of a mentally retarded man who suffocated after being bound, gagged and locked in a closet for days while his attackers partied and sold off the contents of his Bronx apartment.

The dead man's girlfriend, the sister of one of four people already arrested in the slaying, was also similarly imprisoned, but she survived the torturous six-day ordeal and was evenutally freed, police said.

Detectives Saturday were looking for a fifth suspect in the suffocation of Freddie Thomas, 32, who was found bound in telephone cord, his face completely covered with duct tape and his body wrapped in a shower curtain.

''They know who they're looking for,'' said Sgt. Mary Wrensen, a police spokeswoman, declining to release further details about the manhunt.

A young man and three teenagers were charged Thursday afternoon with homicide, robbery and unlawful imprisonment in the incident, said Lt. Anthony Vitaliano of the 47th Precinct.

The episode began the night of Thursday, Aug. 16, when Hope Kelly, 16, and her boyfriend, William Fennell, 21, allegedly decided ''to assume control'' of the Bronx apartment that her mentally retarded sister shared with Thomas, Vitaliano said.

Kelly had stayed on and off with her sister, Oprah Sanders, 34, and Thomas both of whom were living on Social Security checks for mental disabilities, the lieutenant said.

''On that night, Kelly, her boyfriend and others, armed with a shotgun, went to the (teen's sister's apartment). Kelly gained entry, and went back to the door and let the whole group enter,'' Vitaliano said.

The group hit Thomas with the shotgun, and bound him up in telephone wire, covering his face with silver duct tape, Vitaliano said. They then threw him into a small closet, and padlocked it, he said.

''When they entered, Kelly snuck up on Sanders and covered her eyes only with tape, and tied her up and threw her into another closet,'' the lieutenant said.

''To our knowledge, Thomas never got fed. We think he probably died sometime Saturday night (Aug. 18),'' he said. ''Miss Sanders was given some food and liquids.''

After the couple was locked up, the suspects caroused around the apartment and sold off the victims' electronic equipment ''to buy food and drink.

''People were partying, coming in and out,'' Vitaliano said.

Thomas's corpse was pulled from the closet on Sunday, Aug. 19, and the group began leaving the apartment for longer periods, bringing back products to hide the worsening odor, Vitaliano said.

At 6 p.m. Wednesday, Kelly and Fennell left ''suitcases and all,'' and untied Sanders, who crawled down a fire escape to a neighbor's apartment, Vitaliano said.

''She told the tenant she had been held captive since Thursday, and then we got to the scene, which led to the four arrests,'' Vitaliano said.

Vitaliano said after their arrests Thursday, the four young suspects ''were jovial while we had them, laughing and smiling.''

The shotgun used in the incident has not been recovered.

The other two teens arrested were identified as Samuel Rivera, Barbara Redding, both 17-year-old Bronx residents.

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#90237u0475 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 25) UPI - Although the approval rating for President Bush in the Persian Gulf crisis is running high - more than 70 percent in recent polls - some notes of doubt and criticism are beginning to creep in.

Some of the critics fault the administration for past actions such as not recognizing the potential dangers of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein before the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. Others raise questions about how the United States is going to pull its forces out of the Middle East without destabilizing the region or going to war.

And still others criticize him for operating on a double standard - invading Panama in December 1989 but then responding with military force to another nation's invasion of a small country.

But the critics remain the distinct minority, even among such traditional opponents as the Heritage Foundation, a Washington conservative think tank.

James Phillips, a Middle East analyst with the foundation, said, ''Bush has operated flawlessly in the crisis so far, although I'm a little nervous about the future.''

Phillips said, ''Where I would fault him is for giving Saddam Hussein the benefit of the doubt for too long. We continued our policy of using him as a force for containing Iran for too long. Perhaps a sharp word of warning from Bush before the invasion could have headed Saddam off.''

Minorities in the United States are critical of the president, according to a recent Wall Street Journal-NBC poll, for overreacting militarily to the crisis at the expense of social programs.

The poll showed that 74 percent of whites approved the sending of U.S. military forces to the Persian Gulf, but only 41 percent of blacks approved, while 49 percent of the blacks disapproved of the action.

The reasons given in the responses showed that blacks tend to be more sympathetic with Arabs, the Third World and non-whites, while the whites who supported the president saw the need to curb aggression.

On the political left, The Nation magazine wrote a wry commentary in its current issue which began: ''Why does it sound so familiar? The undisputed

bully of the region, seeking to protect and extend his hegemony, launches a midnight attack on a small but strategically located country to his south, in his 'backyard.'''

The commentary then compared the December U.S. invasion of Panama to Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait and said that Bush avoided using the United Nations for peacekeeping. ''The reason, of course, is that his aim is not peacekeeping but warmaking.''

Sen. Terry Sanford, D-N.C., was the strongest voice of dissent on Capitol Hill, saying he would not risk a single American life for the restoration of the royal family to power in Kuwait. Now that the deterrence of Saddam has been accomplished, he said, the United States should begin a troop withdrawal from the Middle East.

Within 24 hours of Sanford's statement, the administration announced the call-up of nearly 50,000 military reserves.

One of the sharpest criticisms came from the Center for Defense Information, a Washington think tank involved in defense matters headed by former military officers who have frequently argued that recent U.S. military build-ups have been excessive and needlessly provocative.

''The president got off to a good start, bringing in the United Nations and drawing a defensive line in the sand. But from that moment, it has become a U.S. show and forces are now clearly structured for an attack,'' said retired Rear Adm. Eugene Carroll.

Carroll referred to the sending of a squadron of F-117A stealth fighters that can evade radar defenses. ''A stealth fighter is not a defensive weapon.''

He predicted, ''It will take six weeks to get everything in place, and then it will get unstable. Bush has set into motion a structure that will start a war.''

The Gulf of Tonkin incident in 1964, he suggested, would be a model. ''Their fighters attack, or an incident can be contrived to be an attack by their planes. The longer the build-up, the greater the danger that it becomes a U.S. operation, a showdown between George Bush and Saddam Hussein.''

If that comes, he predicts, international support will evaporate. ''They didn't invite us in to kill Arabs.''

But Carroll noted, ''I admit we're in the 25 percent minority here.''

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 26) UPI - A scientific expedition has discovered one of the richest ecosystems on Earth in a remote northern Bolivian rain forest that is home to at least 403 species of birds, 204 plant varieties and 45 types of mammals, including a rare wild dog, an environmental group said Saturday.

The expedition, the first in a series of innovative ''rapid assessment'' field studies by Conservation International, roamed for four weeks this spring through a largely unexplored region along the Peruvian-Bolivian border where the Amazon jungle meets the foothills of the Andes.

The team of wildlife experts found a remarkably undisturbed wilderness of river valleys, mountain forests, bamboo thickets and savannas teeming with parrots, spider monkeys, raccoon-like kinkajous, ocelots and tapirs, large, hoofed creatures that resemble hogs with elongated, flexible snouts.

Among the more exotic animals sighted were an as-yet unnamed species of parrot only recently discovered in nearby Peru and the short-eared dog, one of the most elusive animals in the Amazon jungle.

''This is apparently the first reliable recorded sighting (of the dog) by any scientist,'' said Conservation International's draft report on the expedition. ''In one sighting, the dog had a large frog in its mouth, which is the first record of food habits for a wild individual.''

While the dog was the major find, perhaps the strangest animal seen during the trip was a wayward arctic tern spotted along a riverbank. While the bird does migrate south from its North Pole home, the report said it was the first time the ocean bird has been seen in the interior of South America.

Another mystery was the ''extraordinarily high'' number of spider monkeys and tapirs. Scientists on the expedition have extensive experience in the tropics, but they said in the report: ''None of us have previously seen an area with so much evidence of tapirs or a primate fauna so dominated by spider monkeys.''

In both cases, the scientists said the healthy populations were probably due to the absence of local indigenuous tribes, who typically find both tapirs and spider monkeys easy hunting prey.

Botanists on the expedition spotted a number of previously unknown plants in a jungle that appeared almost primeval, with an unusually high density of large lianas, tropical vines that are a key indicator of pristine rain forest. Overall, the report said: ''Results for this area of Bolivia indicate a high diversity of flora and fauna that rivals the richest known

sites on the globe.''

The report said the cornucopia of life in the study area was probably due to the large variety in terrain, the general ''species richness'' of Amazon and Andean forests, high rainfall and minimal human disturbance.

Currently, the Bolivian government provides no protection for the region, located north of the Bolivian capital of La Paz in Provincia Iturralde along the upper reaches of Heath, Madidi and Tuiche rivers.

The report said such protection was clearly merited by the findings of the expedition. It said while the field study was far from comprehensive, ''It is clear that longer-term, systematic biological inventory efforts will confirm northern La Paz as a repository of impressive biological diversity that is of global significance.''

For birds alone, the report predicted more than 1,000 bird species - an astounding 11 percent of all bird species on Earth - will eventually be documented in northwestern Bolivia.

Brent Bailey, coordinator of Conservation International's biological programs, said the expedition to Bolivia marked the beginning of his organization's ''rapid assessment program,'' which quickly identifies areas of likely biological importance deserving protection.

Bailey noted traditional scientific practice is to conduct lengthy, detailed field studies stretching over a period of years before reaching conclusions about the conservation value of a given ecosystem.

''The problem is, there isn't time for that in some areas in need of conservation,'' Bailey said. ''The rate of habitat destruction is proceeding much faster than traditional scientific exploration. There are too many things disappearing without us even knowing what was there.''

Bailey said the rapid assessment studies are a preliminary ''first-cut assessment'' of a region's animal and plant life.

''We are not saying this is a thorough inventory,'' he said. ''This is coarser information, but still credible enough to create momentum for greater conservation efforts.''

For the Bolivia study, the scientists first examined satellite photos of the region to find key areas to visit. They followed up with overflights in small planes and helicopters to establish base camps for exploration by foot.

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SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA (AUG. 25) UPI - The failure of peace talks to produce any agreement over changes in the Salvadoran military has left open the threat of a new rebel offensive sometime this fall.

A San Jose-based diplomat told United Press International that preparations are already under way, with Salvadorans trained in Cuba and Nicaragua gradually filtering back into the mountains of El Salvador.

Ana Guadalupe Martinez, a leader of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, left no doubt that the rebels are gearing up for another offensive.

Their last major offensive in November of last year left more than 2,000 people dead over a two-week period of heavy fighting.

''For various months now, we have been preparing for an offensive,'' Martinez told UPI in an interview, adding that the peace talks appeared to be heading nowhere. ''It is our only recourse now to advance our position in the talks.''

The recent round of peace talks, held Aug. 18-22 at a resort hotel outside of San Jose, failed to produce a single agreement. The talks concentrated on rebel demands for changes in the size and structure of the armed forces but the military's reluctance to budge and the rebels' insistence on sweeping reforms prevented consensus on anything.

Observers and diplomats in Central America agree a rebel offensive is in the offing. It is not known when it could be launched.

But with the Salvadoran government and army coming under considerable international criticism over the military's alleged involvement in the slayings last November of six Jesuit priests, there is reason for the rebels to hold off on launching an offensive that could generate sympathy for the government.

In addition, the U.S. Congress is still debating an $85 million military aid bill for El Salvador that would be guaranteed to pass if the rebels launched a new strike.

A U.S. embassy source in San Jose warned: ''A new offensive would trigger the release of any funds that were held back.''

In San Salvador, U.S. embassy spokesman Jefferson Brown said, ''They've been threatening an offensive for a long time ... but we don't know if they have made that political decision at this point. It would seem to make no sense at this time.''

In preparing for an offensive, the rebels are at an obvious disadvantage this year without the support of the Sandinista government in Nicaragua, which lost elections in February.

Martinez said the rebels continue to receive support from Cuban leader Fidel Castro and from various socialist movements around the globe.

''But Cuba is far away,'' she said. ''Our international support is much worse than it was a year ago, and we are losing more.''

She said the FMLN's relations with the Sandinistas are still strong.

''The relations are less tense ... now that we are both opposition organizations, but we are not talking very often because they are busy with their reformation,'' she said.

U.S. officials, who back the new Nicaraguan government of President Violeta Chamorro, have accused the Sandinista army of secretly continuing to aid the FMLN, citing as an example two FMLN members arrested earlier this summer in Managua with a truckload of guns and missiles.

Martinez admits to conducting ''clandestine operations'' in Nicaragua, but said they are done without the knowledge or help of the Sandinistas.

''The fact that Sandinista police arrested those two men shows that they are not helping us,'' she said. ''All the government bodies in Nicaragua have instructions to prosecute us if we are caught.''

Despite their lack of international support, Martinez said the leftist rebels do not have the obvious weaknesses and disadvantages that the Salvadoran and U.S. governments seem to think they have.

''They do not understand our country,'' she said of the U.S. government. ''The struggle of the FMLN was not initiated with international support. It was initiated because of the internal situation, by the people. Now more than ever, the people think of the army as assassins and that the army has to change.

After the talks, the rebels said they would now concentrate on their own methods of persuasion: political, social and military.

The Salvadoran military, which exercises considerable control over the U.S.-backed civilian government of President Alfredo Cristiani, has been accused of commiting thousands of murders, either openly or by death squads, over the past 10 years. The frequency of the killings has decreased markedly since the early 1980s, but Amnesty International said last month that 17 people had been killed by death squads this year. Others have put the toll much higher. To this date, no member of the

military has ever been convicted.

''If they can't convict those responsible for executing six popular Jesuit priests, how can we ever expect them to take responsibility for the executions of ordinary Salvadorans?'' Martinez asked.

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ANNAPOLIS, MD (AUG. 25) UPI - The dropout rate among Naval Academy plebes this summer was relatively high, despite a ''kindler, gentler'' orientation program instituted in response to allegations of sexism and harassment of minorities.

At the close of the seven-week ''plebe summer'' that gives incoming midshipmen a gruelling first exposure to military life, 55 of the 1,232 freshmen had dropped out, including 10 of the 136 first-year women, officials said.

The 4.5 percent attrition rate is the fourth-highest at the Annapolis academy in the past 10 years, though lower than last year, when 66 students had left the academy by this time.

Academy officials said they were not sure why this year's attrition rate was relatively high, since students give different reasons for leaving.

While all the military academies expect to lose first-year students, the Naval Academy has attempted this year to improve conditions for plebes and guarantee equal treatment for women and minorities after criticism about what on any other college campus would be deemed ''hazing.''

Naval Academy spokesman Cmdr. Mike John said that, given the figures, the academy's efforts obviously have not done much to help attrition so far this year.

''But I think we've made it a kinder, gentler training program and maybe a little more realistic,'' John said.

Academy officials have instituted new rules banning ''horseplay'' between midshipmen and prevented physical contact between upperclass midshipmen and plebes.

Changes at the academy followed the resignation of a female plebe, Gwen Dreyer, who said last spring she left in protest over the way women are treated. Dreyer said she once was dragged from her room, handcuffed to a urinal in a men's bathroom and photographed while classmates teased her.

Her allegations, plus complaints about harassment of women and minorities,

triggered a half-dozen government and congressional investigations into the academy and prompted new classes for midshipmen on human rights.

John said no hazing incidents were reported during the plebe summer. Most upperclass midshipmen report for class on Monday.

''We are extremely happy how plebe summer went,'' John said. ''We had a great summer.''

At other military academies this year, 120 of the 1,338 cadets at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., have dropped out, and 88 of the 1,391 students at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo., have left.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - The United States scored a diplomatic triumph at the United Nations early this morning when the Security Council voted to authorize limited military force to back up economic sanctions against Iraq. The Security Council voted 13-0 with two abstentions to allow those nations with troops and ships in the Persian Gulf to use force in the blockade.

In Kuwait, Iraqi troops are conducting a blockade of their own around 20 foreign embassies. Iraq has cut off water and power... and is preventing supplies from entering mission compounds because of their defiance of an Iraqi order to close and move to Baghdad. Diplomats say acceeding to Iraqi demands would be tantamount to recognizing Baghdad's proclaimed annexation of Kuwait.

Pennsylvania is looming as the next battle ground on abortion. A federal judge in Harrisburg yesterday declared the major provisions of Pennsylvania's abortion law unconstitutional. The law is regarded as the toughest state anti-abortion legislation in the country. It was passed last November by the state General Assembly and signed by Democratic Governor Robert Casey.

Former hostage Brian Keenan is enjoying his first full day of freedom after more than four years in captivity in Lebanon. Keenan, an Irishman, was released by his pro-Iranian captors to Syrian officials and now is in Damascus, where he'll be handed over to Irish officials today. He was kidnapped in April 1986 in Moslem west Beirut, where he taught English at the American University.

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BOULDER, CO (AUG. 26) UPI - A prison escapee suspected of killing four people while at large was arrested early Saturday with another man suspected of taking part in two of the slayings.

Boulder County Sheriff's Lt. Joe Gang said Michael G. Bell, 36, was taken into custody outside a bar about 12:38 a.m. Bell was shot once in the lower jaw by a deputy and was in stable condition at Boulder Community Hospital.

''He contacted an accomplice, who came to us and told us that Bell wanted him to deliver a car to the bar,'' Gang said. ''Our officers took a car to the scene. Bell approached the car but realized the driver was not his friend and tried to flee. He was shot and taken into custody.''

Gang said Bell will be charged with four counts of first-degree murder and three of aggravated robbery. Theodore Oliver, 22, was charged with two counts of first-degree murder and one of aggravated robbery.

Bell escaped Aug. 5 from the minimum security Four Mile Correctional Facility near Canon City. Authorities said he was serving a 12-year term for theft and fraud by check and earlier served five to 10 years for attempted murder in Illinois.

Police said Bell accosted five people Friday in Left Hand Canyon west of Boulder. Two were killed but their names were withheld until relatives could be notified. Two others were wounded and the fifth man sufferd a knee injury trying to flee.

Gang said Bell and Oliver also are suspected in the recent shooting deaths of Leslie Thomas, 36, and William Lewis, 18. The body of Thomas, a transient from Washington state, was found Tuesday in Boulder Canyon. Lewis, 18, a convenience store clerk in Broomfield, was shot to death Aug. 16 during a robbery.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 25) UPI - At least 13 people died and 200,000 fled to safer ground during floods and heavy rains spawned by a tropical storm in the capital and surrounding provinces, officials said Saturday.

Also Saturday, suspected rebel soldiers seeking the overthrow of President Corazon Aquino exploded a bomb at a Toyota sales office in the capital's financial district Saturday night, damaging six cars but causing no injuries, police said.

The blast was the 11th in the capital since rebel soldiers announced Aug. 15 they would resume hostilities after Aquino rejected their call for a

cease-fire in the face of the devastating July 16 earthquake and the Gulf crisis.

No one has claimed responsiblity for the attack, but police sources said the incident was similar to the previous bombings blamed on military dissidents.

The Manila Weather Bureau located the storm Saturday afternoon 345 miles east of Aparri town on the northern tip of the main Luzon island, with peak winds of 40 mph.

The military Office of Civil Defense said 13 people were killed by flooding in the capital, either by drowning or being pinned by a collapsed wall at the height of the rains Friday. Five others were reported injured, relief agencies said.

The Social Welfare department said 212,577 people in the capital and in the rice-producing provinces of Tarlac and Bulacan, north of Manila, sought refuge in evacuation centers.

Most of the evacuees were from metropolitan Manila slum districts, relief agencies said.

Weathermen said the storm unleashed heavy rains that combined with high tide in the afternoon to create one of the worst floods in recent years.

Thousands of commuters were stranded late into the night and hundreds of workers and students slept in their offices and schools as transport drivers refused to ply flooded streets.

Security in the capital has been tightened since last week after reports circulated rebel soldiers led by fugitive army Col. Gregorio Honasan were plotting another uprising.

Honasan, 41, led the Dec. 1-9 coup attempt in which 119 people were killed and more than 500 were wounded. The rebellion was the sixth since Aquino took power in a civilian-backed military revolt in 1986.

The 159,000-member Armed Forces of the Philippines has been placed on red alert - the maximum state of preparedness - and approaches to the capital have been tightly secured.

An additional army battalion has reinforced some 16,000 police and constabulary units in metropolitan Manila.

Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos said Thursday the bombings could be a ''prelude to something more serious,'' inclouding assassinations before another power grab.

Ramos said he did not think the rebels have the capability to mount a serious coup attempt but the military was not taking any chances and was taking necessary precautions.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela is criticizing the South African government for imposing sweeping emergency regulations to deal with violence in black townships. President de Klerk announced the measures yesterday, saying the government- ''will NOT allow anarchy.'' More than 500 people have died in nearly two weeks of violence in townships near Johannesburg.

The General Electric Company announced the layoffs of 650 workers from its aerospace plant in Burlington, Massachusetts... and says it will shut another plant with 400 employees in Huntsville, Alabama, by the end of next year. G-E blamed ''a shrinking defense market'' for its second major layoff announcement in just over a week. G-E says future layoffs depend on future military spending.

Moderate Southern Baptists voted to channel their money to agencies they support and away from those they see as aligned with fundamentalists. The decision was made yesterday in Atlanta by Baptists Committed to the Southern Baptist Convention. Moderate Baptists have suffered 12 years of defeat in political infighting with the fundamentalist-led Southern Baptist Convention.

Oddly enough, the Persian Gulf was the hot topic of discussion among North American Eskimos meeting in Alaska at the sixth annual meeting of Indigenous Survival International. The debate was between Alaska Inupiat Eskimos, who support limited drilling... and Gwich'in Indians of Alaska and Canada. They're against allowing any development in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

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SRINAGAR, India (AUG. 25) UPI - An Indian army truck loaded with troops bound for the troubled northern Kashmir Valley went out of control and plunged into a deep river gorge, killing 22 soldiers and injuring 13 others, a government official said Saturday.

News of the accident came as separatist violence left at least five people dead, including three Moslem militants killed along the Indo-Pakistan border during an exchange of gunfire with security forces, a government spokesman said.

Separatists in Kashmir are fighting Indian troops for independence for their mostly Moslem state, which is closely allied with neighboring Moslem Pakistan. The militants charge the Hindu-dominated Indian government has been insensitive to their needs.

In Anantnag, about 30 miles south of Srinagar, militants hanged an unidentified man and in the border town of Kupwara militants shot dead a Moslem civilian, suspected of being a government informant, the spokesman said.

The convoy of about 30 army trucks loaded with Indian troops was traveling along the National Highway Friday night when one of the vehicles went out of control near the village of Ramban, about 90 miles south of Srinagar, and plunged into the deep Khinab River gorge, the government official said.

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TOULON, FRANCE (AUG. 25) UPI - More than 2,000 firefighters succeeded in taming forest fires Saturday that ravaged some 35,000 acres over five days in southern France.

The fire, fanned by strong mistral winds, had burned out of control since Tuesday on the Massif des Maures mountain area near the Mediterranean port of Toulon.

Aided by firefighting aircraft and helicopters, firefighters brought the blaze under control early Saturday, taking advantage of a drop in temperatures and winds.

The fire was said to be the largest in France in more than 25 years.

Officials said the improved conditions lifted hopes of extinguishing another fire in the Cantaron region north of Nice.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - The U-N Security Council today voted to allow the use of limited military force to ensure compliance with U-N sanctions against Iraq. The resolution was approved on a 13 Cuba and Yemen.

The Iraqi U-N ambassador told the council the resolution was ''UNjustifiable'' and ''very dangerous'' because it did NOT give the security council or the U-N secretary-general ''any real authority'' to supervise the use of force.

Iraqi troops surrounded 20 foreign embassies in Kuwait today, including the U-S embassy, after they defied Baghdad's order to close. Iraq cut off water, power and in some cases telephone links, and is blocking food from entering the compounds.

Pro-Iranian Moslem extremists freed Irishman Brian Keenan yesterday in Lebanon, four years after he was abducted. An official Syrian source in Damascus says Keenan is in Syria and will be turned over to Irish officials today.

African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela says emergency regulations imposed by the South African government to halt black-on-black fighting are ''totally useless.'' More than 500 people have died during nearly two weeks of violence.

The Polish news agency reports Poland and the United States signed a debt-rescheduling agreement yesterday. The agreement postpones the payment of 518-Million dollars Poland owed the United States at the end of 1989.

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#90237u0666 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 25) UPI - The U-S ambassador to Nicaragua says the United States is expected to deliver 118-Million dollars in aid to Nicaragua next month. The money will be the second installment of a 300-Million-dollar aid package approved by Congress last May.

Police in Romulus, Michigan, say a 72-year-old man is charged with murder for allegedly helping his terminally ill wife commit suicide. Virginia Lee Harper died last Sunday in a motel room after she swallowed UNidentified pills and put a plastic bag over her head.

A six-year-old boy is recovering this morning after being thrown from his seat on a ride at a church fair yesterday in Woodbury, New York. Police say the safety chain or lock broke loose, throwing the boy into a fence.

In New Orleans, two blocks of the Orange Street Wharf went up in flames yesterday. Dense smoke from the fire cut visibility on the Mississippi River, forcing the port captain to close river traffic for two hours. Three firefighters were slightly injured.

The new head of the F-A-A, James Busey, says a policy that permits airlines to monitor their own safety and maintenance procedures works well despite a recent indictment against Eastern Airlines for falsifying maintenance records.

Award-winning composer-conductor David Rose died of heart disease Thursday in Burbank, California. He was 80. Rose was best-known for his

compositions ''The Stripper'' and ''Holiday for Strings.'' He was Judy Garland's first husband.

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#90237u0697 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 25) UPI - President Bush's national security adviser, Brent Scowcroft, said Saturday that American hostages in Kuwait and Iraq will not deter the president from taking action in the Middle East.

In an interview with CNN, Scowcroft said that although protecting the lives of the estimated 3,000 Americans trapped in the two countries will always be on Bush's mind, the president would not veer from U.S. policy because of them.

''That will not be the case,'' Scowcroft said. ''The hostages are on the president's mind constantly, and everything we do, we will think about the hostages.

''They will not divert us, however, from our strategy.''

Asked if the United States had anticipated that Americans could be seized when Bush ordered thousands of U.S. troops to the Middle East on Aug. 7, the security adviser added, ''Yes, of course we did. And that will be the case in any situation, in any crisis with military dimensions like this.''

Bush dispatched the troops and dozens of American warships and artillery to the strategic region to deter further Iraqi aggression after President Saddam Hussein's forces overran Kuwait on Aug. 2. The United States has called for Iraq's unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait and, with extraordinary international backing, has virtually cordoned off Iraq from trade in an effort to punish Saddam.

Scowcroft made his remarks near the president's summer home, where Bush is in the middle of a 25-day vacation.

He earlier briefed Bush on the status of about 100 Americans being held in Baghdad after leaving Kuwait and the handful still remaining in the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait, ordered closed Friday by Saddam.

Speaking to reporters after the televised interview, Scowcroft said the diplomats in Kuwait remained unharmed, though power was shut off to the compound. And although some Iraqi forces remain stationed around the embassy, ''There has been no attempt to occupy the embassy,'' he said.

Scowcroft also refused to discuss how the United States might respond if any Americans are harmed.

''I'm not going to say what our reaction will be,'' Scowcroft said. ''We are hopeful no Americans will be harmed.''

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#90237u0701 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

VIENNA (AUG. 25) UPI - Austrian President Kurt Waldheim, driven from center stage because of allegations regarding a Nazi past, thrust himself back into the world diplomatic spotlight with Saturday's politically risky visit to Baghdad.

Waldheim became the first Western leader to meet with Iraq's President Saddam Hussein since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

He drew catcalls at home and risked more criticism internationally for meeting with a man almost universally denounced as an aggressor, but Waldheim may have won his gamble by securing from Saddam a pledge that approximately 80 Austrian nationals would be allowed to leave Iraq.

''If no risks are taken, nothing can be won,'' Waldheim said in answer to critics of his trip. ''The fate of human beings is in question here and I believe it is worth the risk.''

In 1987, Waldheim was banned from entering the United States because of allegations that he knew of Nazi atrocities in Yugoslavia and Greece when he served in the German army during World War II. It was the first time the United States barred a friendly nation's head of state.

Waldheim maintained he worked only as a translator and knew nothing of the transportation of Greek Jews to Poland for extermination.

Waldheim served as secretary-general of the United Nations from 1972 to 1982 and was known as a ''diplomat's diplomat.'' He devoted much of his time to Middle East affairs and became acquainted with Saddam.

His most dangerous journey as secretary-general was to Iran in an unsuccessful attempt to negotiate the release of the 52 American hostages held at the U.S. Embassy during the Carter administration.

Waldheim's involvement with Arab affairs made him a popular diplomat in the region and, even after he was shunned by a number of Western states in the wake of his 1986 election to the largely ceremonial post of Austrian president, Saudi Arabia and Jordan received him on official visits.

Pope John Paul II welcomed him to the Vatican in 1987 despite Jewish protests and described Waldheim as ''dedicated to the securing of peace.''

Waldheim, who has been Austrian president since 1986, traveled to Baghdad hoping his influence in the Middle East and personal relationship with Saddam could secure the release of all Westerners.

But, even though the Iraqi leader described Waldheim as ''an especially fair politician,'' he allowed only Austrian nationals to leave Iraq.

The Austrian media criticized Waldheim before he left for Iraq, saying the visit could be exploited by Iraq for propaganda purposes. The Vienna daily Kurier said Waldheim was ''taking on the greatest risk of his time in office'' and his action represented a breakdown in solidarity with the United States and the rest of Europe in confronting Saddam.

Neutral Austria has not sent its own military personnel or equipment to the Persian Gulf, but has granted the United States rights to transport military aircraft through Austrian airspace.

The government is also honoring U.N.-mandated trade sanctions against Iraq and ignored Baghdad's Friday deadline for closing its embassy in Kuwait city.

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#90237u0702 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (AUG. 25) UPI - Ten people died and at least 20 were injured in a rail accident in Czechoslovakia when a freight and passenger train collided, Czechoslovakian television reported Saturday.

The accident happened between the stations of Zelezny Brod and Tanvald in a mountainous region of eastern Bohemia. The track is almost inaccessible for ambulances and relief units, the television report said.

A train car carrying diesel fuel caught fire instantly.

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#90237u0703 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

DAMASCUS, Syria (AUG. 25) UPI - Irish hostage Brian Keenan, released more than four years after his kidnapping in Beirut, said Saturday he saw fellow hostages Terry Anderson, John Sutherland and John McCarthy during his captivity, Syrian officials said.

The officials initially said Keenan had told them he met with Anglican church envoy Terry Waite Thursday night, but later retracted their statement.

Syrian authorities handed Keenan, 39, over to Irish Foreign Minister Gerry Collins Saturday at the Syrian Foreign Ministry. His pro-Iranian Moslem

kidnappers released him in Beirut Friday.

''It's great,'' Keenan told the British Broadcasting Corp. in a barely audible voice. Keenan's kidnappers apparently had not allowed him to speak in more than a whisper during his captivity.

Keenan looked pale and gaunt as he embraced Collins and hugged his two sisters, Elaine Spence and Brenda Gillham, who had accompanied the Irish foreign minister to Damascus.

''I have had, as you know, a long time to think about what am I going to do when I get out of here,'' Keenan said. ''I'm going to visit all the countries in the world, eat all the food in the world, drink all the drink in the world, make love - I hope - to all the women in the world. And maybe I'll get a good night's sleep.''

Keenan, a Belfast native who holds dual Irish and British citizenship, was an English teacher at the American University of Beirut when abducted April 11, 1986, in Moslem West Beirut.

Keenan said he had seen Americans Anderson and Sutherland, and Englishman McCarthy during his captivity and that the three appeared to be in good health.

Anderson was the chief Middle East correspondent and Beirut bureau manager for the Associated Press when he was kidnapped March 16, 1985, a day after he interviewed Sheikh Mohammed Hussein Fadlallah, the spiritual leader for the Hezbollah. Hezbollah is the radical Shiite faction believed responsible for holding Anderson hostage.

McCarthy, a reporter for British Worldwide Television News, was kidnapped April 17, 1986, in Beirut. A little-known shadowy group named Hilal ibn al Khadafy claimed responsibility.

''I last John McCarthy only two nights ago. He is well. His great sense of humor succeeded very early in driving me quite insane,'' Keenan told the BBC.

''I have also seen Thomas Sutherland. He also is well,'' he said. ''He has told us an entire repertoire of jokes also several times and, believe me, they did get funnier.''

''Dr. Sutherland is in good heath, regularly exercises,'' he said.

''Finally, I saw Terry Anderson, some time ago. He is also in good form,'' Keenan added. ''Terry's well. ... He receives messages from his fiancee and he appreciates letters that he receives from his family.''

Keenan said a picture Anderson has of his daughter was a comfort to him.

Thomas Sutherland is a Scottish-born American from Colorado and dean of the American University of Beirut's agriculture school, seized June 9, 1985, in Beirut.

Former American hostage Frank Reed has said he was held together with Keenan, McCarthy, Anderson and fellow hostage Tom Sutherland for five months in 1988. The men were held in a hideout several hours south of Beirut, but while together were forced to wear blindfolds.

Collins, who met with Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk Sharaa and thanked the Syrian government for its efforts in releasing Keenan, had arrived several hours before the handover.

In response to comments by the British minister of state for foreign affairs, William Waldegrave, thanking Syria for its role, Sharaa said Syria would do its utmost to try to secure the release of the other British hostages. Sharaa also indicated that, if Britain made a move to restore diplomatic relations, Syria would respond in kind.

Britain broke off relations with Syria in October 1986 after Syria was implicated in an attempt to place a bomb on an Israeli airliner.

Thirteen Westerners, six of them Americans, are still held by various extremist groups in Lebanon.

Demands by the kidnappers have included freedom for more than 350 Palestinians detained by Israel and the release of more than a dozen Arabs convicted in Kuwait of bombing various Western targets. The convicts' status is not clear since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of the tiny emirate.

No group claimed responsibility for Keenan's abduction, but it is believed he was seized by Iranian-linked Shiite Moslem fundamentalists. After his release, a group calling itself ''Al Fajr (The Dawn) Islamic Organization'' issued a statement claiming credit for the release.

Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister Mahmoud Waezi was quoted by Iran's English-language newspaper Tehran Times Friday as saying Keenan's release was the result of several months of efforts by Iranian officials and Islamic groups in Lebanon. He thanked these groups ''who once more showed their goodwill toward the West.''

''We expect that the West will take similar steps for the freedom of Lebanese prisoners and Iranian hostages,'' Waezi said. ''Such a move will make our efforts for the freedom of hostages easier.''

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DUBLIN, Ireland (AUG. 25) UPI - Ireland is struggling to maintain its policy of neutrality during the Persian Gulf crisis, which has left 350 of its citizens trapped in Iraq and Kuwait and cut heavily into its trade revenue.

Prime Minister Charles Haughey called an emergency meeting of his Cabinet next week to discuss the plight of 300 Irish nationals in Iraq and 50 in occupied Kuwait, who are being held with other Western and Asian nationals by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to guard against attack by Western forces in the gulf.

Ireland's strict policy of remaining neutral has often put it at odds with its European Community allies, who have criticized the country's refusal to join EC initiatives.

Despite pressure, Ireland continued to trade with Iran and Libya after the world community agreed to impose economic sanctions against the two countries.

And during Britain's 1982 war with Argentina over the Falkland Islands, Ireland remained on the sidelines - drawing praise from Buenos Aires.

Ireland, however, does not consider the cornerstone of its foreign policy as something that can be easily jettisoned and the release Friday of Irish hostage Brian Keenan in Lebanon is evidence that the policy can be beneficial.

The current gulf crisis has stepped up international pressure on Ireland to abandon its foreign policy and be a full member of the EC. Instead, Ireland has decided to skip a meeting of the Western European Union on Aug. 21 in Paris where countries are expected to consider military options against Iraq.

The foreign minister of Italy has said he understands Ireland's stance on neutrality, but said the European country needed to ''face realities'' of European economic and political union and join western efforts.

Ireland has supported U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq at great cost to its domestic beef and cattle industries, but has refused to back the multinational military buildup and naval blockade in the gulf.

Its policy of neutrality has not given Ireland much of an edge in the gulf crisis, that began when Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

Ireland has received mixed signals from Baghdad as to whether its nationals will be among those allowed to leave.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz singled out Ireland for praise at a press conference Monday, saying that Ireland's position on the dispute was ''balanced.''

The economic sanction against Iraq has already cost the Irish beef industry about $76.5 million in trade with Iraq - which combined with Iran and Libya accounts for one third of its market.

Iraq still owes Ireland $102 million for beef shipped before the embargo, imposed by the United Nations to pressure Iraq to withdraw its troops from Kuwait.

The financial strain on the country's largest beef exporter, Goodman International, triggered panic selling on the Dublin stock exchange Thursday, wiping more than $680 million off the value of the market.

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#90237u0709 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

BOGOTA, Colombia (AUG. 26) UPI - U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, saying Saturday's U.N. embargo vote against Iraq is ''without precedent,'' launched a personal peace initiative in the Iraq-Kuwait crisis and warned that its failure could mean real ''armed conflict.''

The U.N. leader said Saturday he has invited Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to ''urgent'' talks this week in either New York or Geneva to search for a peaceful solution to the conflict caused by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and continued occupation of Kuwait.

Perez de Cuellar said he was undertaking the peace effort as a follow-up to the U.N. Security Council resolution approved Saturday morning allowing limited use of force to ensure compliance with a U.N. economic embargo of Iraq.

''This is a moment without precedent in the 45 years of the organization, in which the 15 members of the Security Council have fully completed their obligations,'' he said. ''Now it is my turn to initiate diplomatic negotiations to find a resolution to the crisis.''

A multinational armada of between 50 and 100 ships headed for Middle Eastern waters to enforce the U.N.-approved embargo against Iraq, estimated to have a million-man army. As well, tens of thousands of multinational troops, backed by tanks and air support, are on the ground and growing in number daily to protect Saudi Arabia from Iraqi invasion.

The failure of any such talks to begin could lead to the Security Council's use of its ultimate power, full military force under Article 42

of the U.N. Charter to enforce the economic sanctions, he said.

''The resolution that has been adopted is not a total application of article 42 of the (U.N.) Charter,'' Perez de Cuellar told reporters at a news conference ending a visit to Colombia.

''A margin still remains, one step more. I hope that my action avoids the escalation to this step that would really be armed conflict,'' he said.

Perez de Cuellar said he had formed a personal relationship with the Iraqi foreign minister during nearly seven years of the Iran-Iraq war that could carry over to the present Persian Gulf talks.

''I cannot believe that at this time the Iraqi authorities are not also thinking of a peaceful solution to the present situation,'' the secretary-general said.

He gave no details of what his proposals might be if Iraq accepts offer for talks, but said their basis would be the five resolutions dealing with the conflict already approved by the Security Council.

Perez de Cuellar said his peace initiative was a natural follow-up to the latest council resolution.

''It is a diplomatic initiative that I have taken on my own initiative, not at the request of the Security Council but in accordance with the spirit of the Security Council resolutions,'' he said.

The secretary-general said he hoped the talks would provided ''a full exchange of views.''

Perez de Cuellar also said special envoys sent to try to gain freedom for foreigners remaining in Iraq and Kuwait would remain deployed until Monday.

He said he would receive a report Saturday night in New York on the status of those envoys' missions but gave no hint there was any progress in resolving the situation of the foreigners, whom President George Bush has called ''hostages.''

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#90237u0711 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 26) UPI - The targets on the map are marked and circled much like those on a similar map seen a week earlier, with one notable exception: These targets are in Iraq.

To the east - to the right when looking at the map - there still are markings showing deployments of Iraqi forces in occupied Kuwait, some not

too far back from the Kuwait-Saudi border; others in a crescent-shaped formation further north near Kuwait city and supply routes back to Iraq.

But over the past week, the emphasis on the maps, and in the briefings to the American troops who get to see them, has shifted more to the targets in Iraq itself.

Now convinced there is enough U.S. firepower on the ground here to thwart any Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia, American military planners are mulling how to use the growing might against Iraq should hostilities erupt.

''Right after the invasion of Kuwait, we had to hurry, so it was a come-as-you-are war,'' a Pentagon source said. ''That was more than two weeks ago. Now, for us, it's a do-as-you-please war.''

There are numerous political economic and military considerations that would factor into any decision to make an all-out assault on Iraq. And American officials stress that such an attack would be highly unlikely unless Iraq instigates hostilities. Complicating all planning is Iraq's grasp on some 3,000 American and a total of 10,000 Western hostages.

But it is clear from interviews and reviews of U.S. intelligence and planning over the past week that such a plan is in place and being refined virtually daily as spy satellites, AWACS tracking planes and other intelligence sources provide the latest details on Iraqi military activities.

After spending their first week here reluctant to discuss contingency plans, many officers in the past week, at several command levels, have discussed such plans privately, if for no other reason to send a signal to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

''We know when they are loading gas into their trucks,'' an Army colonel said Friday. ''We'll be ready if they come, and ready to go after them, too.''

Vietnam-era generals leading the deployment in Saudi Arabia favor an overwhelming attack on Iraq if fighting erupts, including destruction of key government facilities in Baghdad, Iraqi oil fields and military installations and infrastructure being used to resupply Iraqi forces in Kuwait and near Iraq's border with Saudi Arabia, according to a number of military sources.

The options, according to officials, include bombing runs, use of naval firepower from a battleship and other surface combatants in the Persian Gulf, and even ground forces if necessary to knock out key Iraqi installations and block supply and communications routes.

American aircraft have been flying 24 hours a day on practice missions and to counter Iraqi air patrols. And elements of both the 82nd and 101st airborne divisions have been briefed on possible Iraqi targets. The 82nd consists of paratroopers; the 101st has attack helicopters and can deploy infantry from helicopters as well.

Members of the 82nd have been told their division might be dropped into Iraq or just over its border with occupied Kuwait to cut off supply routes the sources said.

U.S. military forces and equipment continue to pour into Saudi Arabia and the waters that surround the Arabian peninsula. For example, the first shipments of huge M-1 tanks are just offshore but once unloaded will immediately move to forward positions in the Saudi desert. The M-1s, from the Army's 24th Infantry Division, join Marine M60-A1 tanks already on the ground.

Backing up the tanks are formidable deployments of tank-fighting helicopters, A-10 planes and other heavy weapons stationed in the Saudi desert - some at airstrips not on most maps. These strips are well within striking distance of Iraqi targets in both Kuwait and Iraq.

A ground war against entrenched Iraqi positions in Kuwait would be bloody and the air attacks necessary to support the ground troops likely would level much of Kuwait. Kuwaiti government officials, now living in effective exile in Saudi Arabia, have implored U.S. officials not to wage such a fight.

Less bloody, and potentially devastating to the power of Saddam, would be a direct assault on selected Iraqi targets, which if successful would create chaos in the government and choke off the source of needed supplies and reinforcements to the Iraqi forces in Kuwait.

From a military standpoint, a destructive attack on Iraq appears to be the favorite option in the event of hostilities. But such a move likely would have far-reaching implications on already tumultuous regional politics.

Were Saddam to survive such an assault with his power intact, Saudi officials say they likely would need an extended U.S. or United Nations military commitment to deter revenge.

''He is a madman now,'' a Saudi official said Friday. ''Defeated, he would be deranged.''

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(AUG. 25) UPI - Iraqi troops and diplomats in foreign embassies in Kuwait

are waging a war of nerves today. Iraq has cut off water, power and telephone links... and troops are preventing food supplies from entering the compounds. It's NOT immediately clear how long diplomats in the embassies will resist the blockade.

At the United Nations, the Security Council voted early today to back a U-S proposal to use limited military force to implement the U-N economic sanctions against Iraq. Both the Soviet Union and China backed the resolution, which allows the use of force if necessary to prevent ships from trading with Iraq.

The U-N resolution did NOT specify how those measures should be applied. The French ambassador to the United Nations says the use of minimum force should be applied ''at the last resort'' to verify cargoes and their destinations. U-S Ambassador Thomas Pickering says the United States is ''gratified'' by the vote.

Former hostage Frank Reed will fly to the United Kingdom to meet with newly freed hostage Brian Keenan, who was released yesterday by his radical Moslem captors. Keenan and Reed were held together in Lebanon for six months. Keenan is scheduled to fly from Syria to Dublin today.

Pro-Iranian Moslem extremists held Keenan in Lebanon for four years. In Damascus, Syrian officials say Keenan will be handed over to Ireland's foreign minister and reunited with two sisters this afternoon. Irish Foreign Minister Gerry Collins is in Damascus to receive Keenan from the Syrian authorities.

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#90237u0741 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 25) UPI - South Africa is taking drastic steps to halt nearly two weeks of black-on-black rioting that has claimed more than 500 lives. The government declared 19 magisterial districts encompassing 27 black townships as ''unrest areas''... giving police wide powers to arrest, detain and disarm.

President Bush is rejecting a recommendation for hefty pay raises for federal workers. Instead, he proposes a more modest three-point-five-percent increase beginning January 1st. In a letter sent to congressional leaders, Bush cited the desperate battle against the budget deficit as his reason.

The U-S ambassador to Nicaragua says the United States is expected to deliver 118-Million dollars in aid next month as part of the aid package President Bush promised the country's new government. The money is the largest installment of the 300-Million dollars in aid approved last May by Congress.

The cuts continue at U-S-Air. The seventh-largest U-S airline announced yesterday that it's laying off 21-hundred workers. The move comes only three days after the firing of 15-hundred new employees. A statement also said the company is reviewing early retirement and voluntary separation programs.

Officials from Operation PUSH came away dissatisfied from a meeting with representatives of Nike Incorporated. The two sides met yesterday at Georgetown University in Washington to resolve a national boycott of Nike shoes called by PUSH. Nike's offers... including the appointment of a minority director in 20 months... did NOT satisfy the group.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - U-S Ambassador to the United Nations Thomas Pickering says Washington is ''gratified'' by this morning's U-N Security Council vote. The council voted 13-0, with two abstentions, to allow the use of ''minimal force'' to ensure the economic embargo against Iraq. The resolution does NOT define what ''minimal force'' means. The Iraqi U-N ambassador calls the resolution ''very dangerous.''

A West European diplomat in the Persian Gulf state of Bahrain says Iraq is trying to starve diplomats out of their embassies in Kuwait by preventing food supplies from entering the compounds. Iraq reportedly also has cut off power, telephone and telex service to the embassies. Iraqi troops surrounded embassies in Kuwait that have NOT shut down and moved to Baghdad as ordered.

The Syrian Foreign Ministry says freed hostage Brian Keenan will be turned over to Ireland's foreign minister and reunited with his two sisters in Damascus today. Pro-Iranian Moslem fundamentalists released Keenan in Lebanon yesterday where he had been held for more than four years. Keenan, an Irishman, was an English professor at the American University in Beirut.

The South African government imposed broad emergency regulations in black townships... in an effort to quell factional fighting that has left more than 500 people dead in nearly two weeks of clashes. The emergency measures give police nearly UNlimited power to arrest, detain and disarm the warring factions. African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela calls the rules ''totally useless.''

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#90237u0794 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 25) UPI - A federal judge in Pennsylvania yesterday struck down the state's abortion law, regarded as the nation's toughest state

anti-abortion measure. The ruling could lead to an appeal to the Supreme Court and a review of the 1973 decision legalizing abortion. The Pennsylvania law required wives to notify their husbands of their intent to get an abortion.

A judge in Reno, Nevada, ruled yesterday that UNintentional messages contained in the music of rock group Judas Priest did NOT lead two young men to commit suicide. The judge said the families did NOT prove Judas Priest consciously and intentionally recorded the subliminal messages. The case could have had a dramatic effect on the record industry, forcing companies to screen lyrics or face punitive damages in similar cases.

An authority on organ transplants says Congress should follow Mexico's lead and consider honoring organ donors as ''Heroes of the Nation.'' Speaking to the 13th International Congress of The Transplantations Society in San Francisco yesterday, Dr. Felix Rapaport said organ donors ''should be given equal status with war veterans.'' Rapaport favors government subsidizing of burial costs for cadaver organ donors, and an estate tax abatement or grant.

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(AUG. 26) UPI - Tears flowed and yellow ribbons fluttered from trees as spouses, children and friends around the country bade farwell to the second wave of military reservists called up by the Pentagon Saturday to fill non-combat support roles for Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia.

The activations began Friday and were expected to continue through Oct. 1, when up to 49,703 reservists could be placed on active duty, the Pentagon said.

The reservists, drawn from all the armed forces, are taking leaves from their regular jobs to provide support for U.S. troops in Saudia Arabia and at other bases at home and abroad where troops have been depleted because of the military buildup in the Persian Gulf.

Many of those activated Friday and Saturday were told to report to their local reserve armories to prepare for duty. Others were pressed into immediate service and shipped out to the Mideast.

The crisis took on added meaning for students, teachers and staff at Texas' Arlington High School who learned industrial arts teacher Jim Saxon was being called up.

Yellow ribbons were tied around the trees and columns at the school building's entrance after Saxon, a teacher at Arlington for the past 12 years, left the campus to report to the 136th Mobile Aerial Port Squadron.

The unit was expected to depart Saturday for an undisclosed duty station.

''There was an overwhelming wave of emotion that hit us all,'' said Kathryn White, an English and psychology teacher.

In the Dallas area, school administrator Carl Smith - otherwise known as Sgt. Carl Smith of the 136th Mobile Aerial Port Squadron - received his call to active duty at 1 a.m. Friday and he did not go back to sleep.

''I'll tell you what, that's a shock,'' he said. ''You just don't think it's going to happen to you, but you put on this uniform and there's always that chance. I'm anxious to get over there and help all we can and get the thing finished and go back home,'' Smith said.

The first activations occurred Friday when the Pentagon called up six Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve cargo-hauling units from Mississippi, New York, New Jersey, Texas, Maryland and Massachusetts.

The operation was stepped up Saturday with 127 Naval Reserve medical, transport, security and minesweeping units activated from 29 states and the District of Columbia.

The Pentagon Saturday also put 173 Army National Guard and Army Reserve units on alert for possible activation in coming weeks.

Although some reserve units train for combat duty, all activations are for non-combat situations. Among the reservists being called up are specialists in international law, the Arabic language, well-digging, water purification and chemical decontamination.

The Pentagon would not reveal exactly how many reservists have been activated, but said about 10,000 men and women would be called up by the end of the month.

Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney authorized the military services Thursday to begin calling up the reservists for the first time in 20 years.

The military reserves have not been activated since 1970, when they were called up for a postal strike, and they have not been mobilized for a military conflict since the Tet offensive in Vietnam in 1968.

Calling up the nearly 50,000 reservists would cost about $100 million a month in added pay and allowances, according to reserve officials.

The reservists are being activated under a law allowing President Bush to call as many as 200,000 reservists to active duty for 90 days with one 90-day extension permitted. It was expected those called up would be used for the entire 180 days.

In many cases, reservists will take a pay cut working for the military while on leave from their regular jobs.

But some companies, such as United Technologies Corp., Connecticut's largest private employer, announced it will make up the difference between military pay and the regular pay of its employees called to active military duty.

In Missouri, National Guard recruiters said publicity generated by the Mideast crisis has boosted enlistment.

''Telephone calls to a special toll-free number maintained by the Missouri National Guard Recruiting Branch have tripled in recent days,'' said Sgt. Maj. Richard Riche, operations sergeant. ''Citizens have also been contacting the 53 full-time Missouri National Guard recruiters in various communities across the state in ever-increasing numbers.''

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(AUG. 26) UPI - TODAY'S PEOPLE

MAYFIELD MOVED: Soul singer Curtis Mayfield, paralyzed in an onstage accident in New York, now is in the Shepherd Spinal Center in Atlanta. Mayfield, 48, who was flown to Georgia Friday with his wife and son, has been paralyzed from the neck down since a gust of wind knocked down a lighting rig at an outdoor concert in New York City Aug. 13. His doctors have not said if the condition is permanent and the Mayfield family has not yet decided whether to sue the producers of the concert. Mayfield's biggest hits came from the soundtrack to the 1972 movie ''Superfly'' and the concert was to have been part of a comeback that also includes a new album. The record, his first since 1985, includes the single ''Superfly 1990,'' a collaboration with Los Angeles rapper Ice T that is one of five songs Mayfield wrote for a ''Superfly'' sequel movie.

THERE SHE IS ON TV: Miss America 1989, Gretchen Carlson of Anoka, Minn., is turning full-time television journalist. Carlson begins work as a reporter next month for WRIC-TV in Richmond, Va. She has done free-lance reporting and served as talk show guest host for a Twin Cities TV station but the Richmond job will be her first full-time position in front of the camera.

WHOOPEE FOR WHOOPI: Comedian Whoopi Goldberg has been honored by a women's group for her contributions of ''time and talent'' toward raising money for terminally ill children, the homeless, human rights and AIDS research. Goldberg received the award Saturday at a ceremony sponsored by the group

''Women For:'' in appreciation of her ''personal achievements and ... contribution to elevate the status of women.'' Past recipients have included Bette Davis, Connie Chung and Tyne Daly.

HAPPY MAN: Irishman Brian Keenan figures he has some catching up to do after almost four years as a hostage in Lebanon. He was reunited with his sisters Saturday in Syria, where he told the British Broadcasting Corp. of his plans. ''I'm going to visit all the countries in the world,'' he said, ''eat all the food in the world, drink all the drink in the world, make love, I hope, to all the women in the world. And maybe I'll get a good night's sleep.''

DICE ROLLS OUT OF DALLAS: Andrew Dice Clay canceled a Sunday performance in Dallas out of fear of being arrested. A statement released by Clay's Los Angeles publicist said he dropped out because of ''numerous veiled threats and harassments from a noisy minority of special interest groups who have been pressuring the Dallas (County) District Attorney's office to enforce outdated city obscenity laws.'' The show had already become a sore spot in the community and people under 18 were banned from attending. In addition, several groups had planned to picket in protest of Clay's references to women, homosexuals and ethnic groups, and Coca-Cola, The Dallas Morning News, WFAA-TV and KTXQ-FM all had withdrawn their sponsorship of the concert.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - Irishman Brian Keenan was reunited with family members today in Damascus, Syria, after more than four years of captivity in Lebanon. Syrian authorities today handed Keenan over to Ireland's foriegn minister... who was accompanied by Keenan's sisters, Elaine Spence and Brenda Gillham. Keenan was set free yesterday in Lebanon.

Diplomats in occupied Kuwait say Iraqi forces are trying to starve out envoys who refused Baghdad's order to shut down their embassies. Soldiers are preventing food supplies from reaching the U-S Embassy and about 20 other foreign compounds. They've also cut off water, power and telephone links at the embassies.

The United States did win one victory today in its effort to halt Iraqi

aggression. The U-N Security Council voted unanimously to support a U-S proposal to use limited force against ships delivering goods to Iraq in defiance of a U-N economic embargo. Cuba and Yeman abstained from the vote.

The Soviet news agency Tass reports several people were injured today in riots in the Siberian city of Chelyabinsk. The rioters were angered by a lack of food and other consumer goods. The news agency says an estimated 15-hundred people stormed police headquarters in the industrial center located in the southern foothills of the Ural Mountains.

New York police suspect a murder-suicide in the death of a cab driver, his wife and two daughters... all whom were found in their burning home yesterday. Police say the man apparently shot his family, set the house on fire and then killed himself. An UNrelated child also in the house died of smoke inhalation.

A former Indianapolis civic leader has agreed to testify against her two sons as part of a plea bargin on charges stemming from her participation in the family's 50-Million-dollar marijuana smuggling ring. Linda Leary also turned over to the government 200-thousand dollars she had made from the drug operation.

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EXETER, NH (AUG. 26) UPI - Five Ku Klux Klansmen staged a rally Saturday in the town of Exeter but residents countered by decking storefronts and streets with yellow ribbons and balloons symbolizing racial harmony.

The Klansmen, garbed in white hooded robes, marched through Exeter's business district carrying signs that read, ''Save the USA, join the KKK'' and ''Save our land, join the Klan.''

''We're a white Christian patriotic group. We're not against other races, we love our race,'' said Thomas Herman, who organized the march. ''Just because we love our people doesn't mean we hate other people.

''We encourage people to be proud of their races,'' said Herman, who works in the Rockingham County sheriff's dispatcher office. ''If you're black, be proud of it, and work to better yourself.''

Herman had earlier campaigned unsuccessfully for the southern New Hampshire community's governing board of selectmen.

''The KKK is not welcome in this town,'' said one woman watching the small march. ''There's nobody in the town that agrees with them; there's no support in this town and we just don't want them here.''

Another man watching the downtown rally said, ''Anything that spreads hate anywhere shouldn't be welcome in our community.''

To counter the march, shopkeepers and other residents adorned storefronts and street signs with yellow ribbons and balloons as a symbol of racial harmony.

A clown wearing a yellow wig also lampooned the marching Klansmen, dancing alongside them and jeering, ''I've got the best costume!''

''I think the color yellow speaks for itself,'' said one Klansman when asked of the town's reaction.

No arrests were reported, but police led one man away after he verbally confronted a Klansman.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - There's a new development in the release of Irish hostage Brian Keenan. Syrian officials who today turned Keenan over to Ireland's foreign minister say Keenan told them he met with British captives Terry Waite and John McCarthy. The meeting reportedly took place shortly before pro-Iranian Moslems in Lebanon freed Keenan after more than four years in captivity.

Iraq is angry that Moscow supports the U-N Security Council's authorization of ''minimal force'' on ships breaking the economic embargo against Iraq. Iraq says it did NOT have enough time to respond to an ultimatum from Soviet President Gorbachev. Gorbachev sent Iraqi President Saddam Hussein an urgent note yesterday telling him to withdraw Iraqi troops from Kuwait or else Moscow would support the resolution.

The Soviet news agency Tass says riots early today in a Siberian city near the Ural Mountains has caused an UNdetermined number of injuries. About 15-hundred people stormed police headquarters in the industrial city of Chelyabinsk to demand better supplies of food and consumer goods. Government attempts to calm the mob were greeted by jeers and curses as the crowd smashed several cars.

Brazilian environmentalists are skeptical of a government plan to save the nation's huge Amazon forest... often called the ''lungs'' of the Earth. The government plans to eliminate tax breaks to farmers that help pay for the clearing of the forests for ranches and crops. But environmentalists say that woN'T turn back the erosion caused by settlers and corporate developers.

New York police are searching for a fifth suspect in the death of a

mentally retarded man who suffocated after being bound, gagged and locked in the closet of his Bronx apartment for six days. Freddie Thomas and his girlfriend were locked up by a group of people who partied while the mentally retarded couple was bound. The attackers sold off contents of the apartment to pay for food and drink.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - Shipping sources in Dubai say the battleship Wisconsin has made its way through the Gulf of Hormuz and is steaming toward the central Persian Gulf. The Iowa-class vessel is armed with nine 16-inch guns and one dozen five-inch guns... and has the capacity to fire one-ton shells.

President Bush's approval rating has skyrocketed since he deployed troops to counter the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. But there are those who question Bush's intentions in the Middle East. Among the most outspoken critics is the Center for Defense Information. The Washington-based think tank says the force in the Persian Gulf is- quote- ''clearly structured for an attack.'' The group says if that occurs, international support for the Washington action will ''evaporate.''

Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat is headed for talks with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein . P-L-O sources say Arafat is headed to Baghdad after a session with Jordanian King Hussein. The sources say Arafat will present Saddam with an initiative calling for a mutual U-S and Iraqi troop withdrawal to avert further hostilities.

Newly freed hostage Brian Keenan spoke in a barely audible whisper today as Syrian officials turned him over to Irish Foreign Minister Gerry Collins. Keenan was released yesterday in Lebanon after more than four years in captivity. Collins was accompanied by Keenan's two sisters as they met Keenan in Damascus.

Colorado authorities say they've arrested fugitive Michael Bell nearly three weeks after he escaped from a minimum-level facility near Canon City. Bell is suspected of killing four people since his escape. Bell suffered a gun shot wound to the jaw when Boulder County Sheriff's deputies took him into custody earlier today.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - The National Hurricane Center in Miami says Tropical Storm Gustav is likely to gather more strength in the next 24 hours. The seventh tropical storm of the season was located about 600 miles east of the Lesser Antilles. Gustav's 50-mile-an-hour winds were heading west at

about 14 miles an hour.

The maker of a lethal injection machine that Illinois corrections officials plan to use next month says the device is likely to fail. In a published report, Fred Leuchter says he expects the device he built to NOT work because its plugs and switches may have corroded during two years on NON-use. State officials dispute Leuchter's claims.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 26) UPI - A car trying to pass a turning semi truck careened onto a sidewalk Saturday and ran over five transients sitting outside a Skid Row mission, killing one and injuring the others, police said.

The victims - two women and three men - were outside the Fred Jordan Mission about 8:30 a.m. when a white sedan was pushed onto the sidewalk by a turning tractor-trailer rig, police Sgt. Stan Massey said.

The car driver and his four passengers fled the scene. Police were searching for the driver, wanted for felony hit-and-run charges, and the passengers.

The car was traveling on the right side of the trailer truck and apparently tried to squeeze past the rig as it was making a wide right turn, he said. The two vehicles collided.

''The passenger vehicle was thrown up on the sidewalk,'' Massey said.

The car came to a rest after plowing into the group of pedestrians. The occupants abandoned the car - a white 1975 Chevy Monte Carlo - and fled on foot, Massey said.

One of the victims suffered critical injuries and was taken to County-USC Medical Center where he died a short time later. His name was not immediately released.

The four others were taken to area hospitals suffering various injuries, City Fire Department spokesman Greg Acevedo said.

The truck driver, Dick Herbert, was not injured. Police officials said he was not responsible for the accident.

''I didn't see it,'' Herbert said. ''I imagine (the car driver) was out of control. I didn't see it at all. He was on my dark side.''

After the accident, bystanders and residents swarmed the area, trying to

aid the injured. Some people tried to restrain the fleeing driver, but the man ran off before police arrived.

''It was pretty chaotic,'' said Manuel Rodriguez, a worker at the mission.

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(AUG. 26) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	68	57	.544	-	39-21	29-36	5-5	W-2
Toronto	66	61	.520	3	33-31	33-30	4-6	L-2
Baltimore	59	64	.480	8	28-28	31-36	4-6	W-1
Detroit	59	68	.465	10	31-35	28-34	5-5	W-1
Milwaukee	58	67	.464	10	28-34	30-33	8-2	W-3
Cleveland	57	67	.460	10 1/2	32-29	25-38	3-7	L-1
New York	52	73	.416	16	29-32	23-41	6-4	L-3
West								
Oakland	79	47	.627	-	40-22	39-25	5-5	L-1
Chicago	73	51	.589	5	38-28	35-23	6-4	L-1
Texas	65	60	.520	13 1/2	36-27	29-33	6-4	W-2
Kansas City	63	62	.504	15 1/2	38-28	25-34	7-3	W-5
California	62	65	.488	17 1/2	32-30	30-35	5-5	W-1
Seattle	61	65	.484	18	32-33	29-32	3-7	L-3
Minnesota	55	70	.440	23 1/2	29-33	26-37	1-9	L-9

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(AUG. 25) UPI - Syrian officials have retracted their statement indicating newly freed hostage Brian Keenan had met with fellow hostage Terry Waite prior to being freed yesterday. Officials now say the other captives Keenan saw during his captivity were journalists Terry Anderson and John McCarthy, and educator John Sutherland.

Although gaunt and pale, Keenan displayed a sense of bravado when he spoke in Damascus. He told reporters he had a long time to consider what to do with his life and said he decided to travel the world over and eat until content. He also says he harbors a desire... in his words... ''to make love, I hope, to all the women in the world. And maybe I'll get a good night's sleep.''

Iraq responded to the U-N measure allowing the use of ''minimal force'' to halt Iraqi shipping by lashing out against Moscow. Iraq accused the Soviets of using a message sent yesterday as a pretext for today's action. The Iraqi News Agency said Baghdad had only two hours to respond to the

Soviet message, which urged Iraq's pullout from Kuwait.

National security adviser Brent Scowcroft says the presence of American hostages in Kuwait and Iraq will NOT deter President Bush from taking action in the Middle East. Scowcroft said in an interview today that protecting American lives will always be on the president's mind, but Bush will NOT veer from U-S policy because of the hostages.

Forecasters in the Philippines say Manila and surrounding provinces were affected by one of the region's worst recent floods yesterday. The forecasters say the floods were made more severe by heavy rains and high tide. Officials say at least 13 people died and more than 200-thousand others sought refuge on higher ground.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - Anti-apartheid leader Nelson Mandela today left South Africa for a week's trip abroad. The A-N-C leader did NOT mention if he had arranged a meeting with his Zulu rival, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, to stem further bloodshed between each man's followers. Violence between supporters of the two men has left more than 500 people dead in the past two weeks.

As rains let up over parts of the East, excessive heat made its presence known in Texas. The National Weather Service issued an excessive heat advisory for most of the Lone Star state. Texans also had water on the mind, as a flood warning remained in effect for the Rio Grande from Presidio to the mouth of the Pecos River.

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The grandson of the first person to register a car in Connecticut says he may go to court to reclaim the license plate bearing the number ''1.'' Woodruff Clark was co-registered with his aunt on the plate, inherited from his grandfather. The state's department of motor vehicles forced him give up the plate after she died, saying only immediate family members can inherit license plates.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - Austrian President Kurt Waldheim has received a pledge from Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein to allow 80 Austrian nationals to leave

Iraq. The assurance follows a meeting between the two men in Baghdad. The trip had brought Waldheim criticism at home and had done little to improve his international image. Waldheim responded to critics by saying- ''If NO risks are taken, NOTHING can be won.''

President Bush's national security adviser Brent Scowcroft says the presence of American citizens in Iraq and Kuwait will NOT deter President Bush from taking action in the region. Scowcroft says Bush constantly thinks of the detained Americans but that he will NOT veer from U-S policy because of them.

The tension in the Middle East is taking its toll on OPEC. Oil ministers were slated to meet tomorrow in Geneva to discuss a proposal to raise production. However, it doe NOT appear as if the meeting will draw enough members to secure a vote on the issue. The largest cartel member, Saudi Arabia, favors lifting its quota by two-Million barrels a day to offset the four-Million barrels lost daily to the embargo of Kuwaiti and Iraqi oil.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar says it is now his turn to try to find a diplomatic solution to the Persian Gulf situation. The U-N leader says he has asked Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to talks next week. The talks will be a follow-up to today's U-N Security Council vote allowing limited force to ensure compliance with the economic embargo of Iraq.

A New York police spokeswoman says one suspect remains at large following the slaying of a mentally retarded man. She says authorities know who they are looking for in connection with the killing. Police have arrested four suspects- including three teen-agers- in the bizarre murder of Freddie Thomas. Thomas's assailants bound and gagged him and partied in his Bronx apartment for several days while he suffocated in a closet.

A low pressure system off the Pacific Northwest coast is expected to produce rain in Oregon and Washington state. The system could also bring snow to the upper reaches of Mount Shasta in California and around Lake Tahoe. At the other end of the weather spectrum is Texas... where the National Weather Service has issued a heat advisory. Rain has eased up

over parts of the East.

Relief agencies in Manila say most of the more than 200-thousand people who fled flood waters yesterday and today were from metropolitan slum districts. Heavy rains combined with high tide to create what Philippine weather officials say is one of the most severe floods in recent years. The high waters killed at least 13 people and caused an UNknown amount of damage.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - Diplomats in Central America say the lack of progress in the most recent talks between the Salvadoran government and rebels may lead to a new guerrilla offensive. A spokeswoman for the leftists says the group has spent several months preparing for a military campaign. She says an attack is the only way the group can advance its position. However, the U-S embassy in San Salvador says a new offensive would be a mistake.

Nicaraguan gas-station owners have decided to stem the flow of fuel this weekend to protest a four-percent gas hike on gasoline. Station operators say the new tax reduces the profit-per-gallon to two percent. Station owners hope to pressure the government to roll back the tax. A government official says the government imposed the tax to recoup losses caused by the Persian Gulf crisis.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - Heavy rains have eased in the East. Philadelphia and its suburbs were hit with 45-mile-an-hour winds. Rains have pushed rivers in Iowa and Minnesota to flood levels.

Philippines authorities say more than 200-thousand people in Manila were threatened by floods yesterday and went to evacuation centers. At least 13 people were killed.

Firefighters in southern France brought more forest fires under control today. They were helped by lower temperatures and less intense winds. Since Tuesday, 50 square miles of forests have burned.

At least 10 people have been killed in a rail accident in Bohemia in Czechoslovakia. A freight train and passenger train collided and one car carrying diesel fuel caught fire.

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Soldiers moved into South African areas during the night to enforce emergency regulations designed to stop fighting between black groups. Troubled townships were reported ''quiet but tense.''

The environmental group Greenpeace says it tried to block the U-S destroyer Hewitt arriving in Yokosuka, Japan, today. Japanese patrol boats held back the Greenpeace boats.

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(AUG. 25) UPI - Austrian President Kurt Waldheim was accompanied by 96 Austrian citizens when he departed Iraq today after talks with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. Waldheim said Saddam expressed a desire to negotiate an end to the crisis in the Middle East. Waldheim also quoted Saddam as saying he would bear in mind a request for other Westerners detained in Iraq to be released.

The conflict in the Middle East could claim as one of its victims the

oil-producing cartel OPEC. Oil ministers from the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries will meet tomorrow in Geneva. However, OPEC sources say it looks as if the informal meeting will NOT attract the 10 members needed to call a formal conference to discuss the cartel quota. The largest OPEC producer, Saudi Arabia, has said it plans to increase its production with or without OPEC's O-K.

The civil war in Liberia has created a refugee problem in neigboring countries. A fact-finding mission sponsored by the Organization for African Unity says some 500-thousand Liberians have fled to the three countries adjacent to the Western African country. Bearing the largest refugee burden is Guinea, where some 300-thousand refugees are located.

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#90237u1678 08/25/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 25) UPI - Some three-thousand marchers weaved through the streets of East Los Angeles today to commemorate the 20th anniversary of a similar rally that left three people dead and galvanized Hispanic special interest groups. Organizers of the 1990 National Chicano Moratorium Committee say the gathering was designed to protest problems plaguing the Hispanic community. Rally participants also called for the withdrawal of U-S forces from the Persian Gulf.

A scientific expedition in Bolivia has UNcovered what it says is one of world's richest ecosytems. The team of wildlife experts discovered the relatively pristine rainforest at the juncture of the Amazon jungle and the Andes. The team lists at least 403 bird species, 204 plant varieties and 45 mammals as existing in the community. Curently, the Bolivian government does NOT provide the area with special protection.

-30- 1043

#90238d4300 08/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 26) - Two thousand Jordanian volunteers will leave for Iraq early this week to assist Iraqi authorities in confonting aggression, the head of an Iraq support committee disclosed here Sunday.

Mohammad al-Rashdan said the volunteers included doctors, pharmacists and retired soldiers who will serve under Iraqi command.

Nearly 90,000 Jordanians have expressed their willingness to fight alongside Iraq, currently locked in a tense standoff with the West triggered by its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The defiance shown by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in the face of a huge U.S. and Western military buildup in the Gulf has struck a sympathetic chord with many ordinary Arabs, principally here in Jordan.

Thousands of people have demonstrated in support of him and have angrily denounced the United States for deploying troops in Saudi Arabia and pressuring Jordan to apply sanctions against Baghdad.

-30- 1109

#90238d4310 08/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIMINI, Italy (AUG. 26) - Solidarity leader Lech Walesa was expected Sunday at this Adriatic coast resort where he was to receive a prize before heading for Castel Gandolfo and a Monday morning mass with Pope John Paul II.

Mr. Walesa was expected to address the gathering here Sunday afternoon after receiving a prize as part of the activities of the "Meetings of friendship among the peoples."

The Walesa is to return to Poland after a two-day private visit to Italy, which will include his fifth meeting with the pope at the pontiff's summer residence.

In an interview published here on Sunday, Mr. Walesa said "I will be forced to be a candidate for the presidency to guarantee the second half of the job: 10 years after the birth of Solidarity, we are half-way to the construction of a true democracy."

He said the Polish president must be "a man capable of dominating changes and accelerating them, a French-type president with the power of promulgating decrees."

But, he added, "I want to be a president elected with at least 90 per cent of the votes, never 40 per cent," he said.

-30- 1298

#90238d4410 08/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (AUG. 26) - A prominent opposition leader in Bangladesh charged that the government was planning to rig next year's election Sunday as thousands turned out on the streets demanding the resignation of President Hussain Muhammad Ershad.

Violence marred the demonstration which was part of the observance of an anti-repression day called by oppositon parties.

An estimated 50,000 people gathered in central Dhaka, blocking traffic for six hours to press for elections under a caretaker government.

''Ershad must step down and allow a neutral authority to hold the polls,''

said Sheikh Hasina Wazed, chief of Awami League and a main contender for power.

Sheikh Hasina told the slogan-chanting crowd that the government had drawn up plans to rig the coming presidential poll to give another five-year term to the 60-year old former army chief.

Over 50 people were injured and more than a dozen transports set ablaze as anti-government students attacked shopping malls and tore up billboards, eyewitnesses said. Fifteen others were hurt as riot police used batons to clear up road blocks.

The authorities sealed off the Dhaka University area as students belonging to the Jatiyotabad Chhatra Dal called a strike on the campus.

Sunday's demonstration, the biggest this year, against the eight-year old government was simultaneously called by the Awami League, the Bnp and the Jamaat-I-Islami and their alliances.

-30- 1648

#90238d4430 08/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 26) - France has suspended imports of Japanese scallops for the second time this year because of health concerns, the government ruled in a decision published Sunday.

The scallops were banned last May because of fears that the shell-fish might be contaminated with paralyzing toxins. Following Japanese guarantees that the scallops were safe, the ban was lifted -- only to be reinstituted for the same reasons.

The French official bulletin said the suspension would stay in effect until new guarantees were received that the scallops were safe to eat.

-30- 729

#90238d4450 08/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (AUG. 26) - Twenty opposition parties called on the government Sudnay to halt aerial bombing by government forces in North Sri Lanka and ensure that civilians are protected.

The parties, including the main opposition party, the Sri Lanka Freedom Party (Slfp), decided unanimously to meet President Ranasinghe Premadasa and call for bombing halt during the offensive launched against the Tamil rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (Ltte) in the northern province.

The opposition parties, at the meeting convened by the Tamil Eelam

Liberation Organisation (Telo), a rival group of the Ltte, also called on the government to ensure that food, medicine and other essential supplies are rushed to the northern peninsula where government troops started a major offensive Wednesday.

A telo political advisor, S. Sri Skantha, said ''We have decided to ask the president to take immediate action to air drop over 10,000 metric tons of food in the north while taking action to step up the food distribution in the east,'' where government troops have taken control.

Refugees from the region arriving in Colombo claimed government troops were continuing aerial bombing in the north, inflicting many civilian casualties. The government has denied those claims.

-30- 1471

#90238d4870 08/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Riyadh (AUG. 26) - Saudi youths were reported Sunday to be pouring in ''large numbers'' to the country's recruitment centres in response to King Fahd's call to join the armed forces to defend Saudi Arabia against Iraq.

The Saudi Press Agency said the youths were registering to join different branches of the army.

Reflecting high tension following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, Saudi King Fahd called last week on Saudis to join the army to defend the country and preserve its stability and security.

Elsewhere in the Gulf, thousands of United Arab Emirates recruits were reported to have started taking military training in response to a defence ministry call. In Bahrain the country's defence force also advertised in local newspapers welcoming recruits.

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#90238d5450 08/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (AUG. 26) - Bangladesh is considering setting up special medical units to isolate people infected with Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, the official BSS news agency reported here Sunday.

So far only one Bangladeshi has been diagnosed as having AIDS and two others are HIV positive.

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#90238d5540 08/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 26) - Israel has doubled the amount of money Palestinians may take into the occupied territories from Jordan in an effort to help

refugees from Iraq and Kuwait.

The measure was announced by Shmouel Goren, Israeli coordinator for the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

He told Voice of Israel Radio that Palestinians entering the West Bank by bridges over the Jordan River could now carry 500 Jordanian dinars (650 dollars) with them, double the amount previously allowed.

Several hundred Palestinians working in Kuwait have returned to the West Bank following the Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich Gulf emirate August 2, according to Palestinian sources.

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#90238d5690 08/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KENNEBUNKPORT, ME (AUG. 26) - The United States said Sunday it would not object to an offer by U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to hold talks with Iraq to ease the burgeoning threat of war in the Gulf.

But U.S. officials made clear that any U.N. talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein must be limited to the framework of unanimous U.N. Security Council resolutions calling for Iraq's immediate withdrawl from Kuwait, which it invaded August 2 and annexed August 8.

Saturday, Mr. Perez de Cuellar offered to meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in New York or Geneva. Within hours, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein invited Mr. Perez de Cuellar to Baghdad to talk with him personally.

The U.N. chief, en route from Bogota to New York Sunday, had not yet responded to that invitation.

"We wouldn't have any problem with" the secretary general meeting with Mr. Hussein, U.S. National Security Advisor Brent Scowcroft said at this seaside resort, where U.S. President George Bush was vacationing.

"We're not going to reject out of hand anybody who can contribute successfully to the improvement of the situation," added John Kelly, assistant secretary of state for near eastern and south Asian affairs.

Mr. Scowcroft said Mr. Perez de Cuellar "has his negotiating framework with the (U.N.) resolutions and we're quite comfortable seeing him pressing those on Saddam Hussein."

But he stressed that there should be no compromise with Mr. Hussein on the principles of the resolutions, and that the only negotiable item was "the timetable for his getting out (of Kuwait) ... the modalities of it."

Both Mr. Scowcroft and Mr. Kelly noted the U.S. charge d'affaires in Baghdad was available for discussions with the Iraqi Government.

"I think talking to somebody is always something we're prepared to do," said Mr. Scowcroft.

But he added, "Negotiating, in terms of changing the conditions under which we're prepared to deal with him, is out of the question."

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#90238d5710 08/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (AUG. 26) - Czechoslovakia has interrupted training courses for 80 Iraqi military personnel who are still at the advanced military school in the central city of Brno, President Vaclav Havel said Sunday.

In an interview broadcast by Radio Prague, he said a decision on the future of the 80 Iraqis would be taken "according to the evolution of the situation" in the Gulf.

"Czechoslovakia unequivocally condemns the Iraqi aggression against Kuwait, which stands as a brutal violation of international law. We also condemn the holding of hostages," said Mr. Havel.

"It is deplorable that for many years, the former regime supplied Iraq with tanks which are perhaps being used today for aggression.

"This is a sad heritage from the past," said the president, adding that his country "does not and will not supply" military materiel to Iraq.

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#90238d5910 08/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 26) - Some 17,000 Soviet Jews are expected to have arrived in Israel by the end of August, the largest monthly influx this year, sources close to the Jewish Agency reported Sunday.

The Gulf crisis and talk of military confrontation in the region have had no effect on Soviet Jewish emigration, as 15,000 Soviet Jews have come to Israel since August 1, the day before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The agency, responsible for the immigration and absorption of immigrants to Israel, said 80,000 Soviet Jews have arrived since the start of the year.

The movement has alarmed Arab leaders who fear that many of the emigres, despite Israeli insistence to the contrary, will be settled among Palestinians on the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

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#90238d6130 08/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK, United Nations (AUG. 26) - U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar will meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz Thursday in Amman,
the capital of Jordan, U.N. spokeswoman Nadia Younes said Sunday.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar indicated Saturday in Bogota -- where he was completing a Latin American tour -- that he was ready to meet with the Iraqi foreign minister in New York or Geneva.

"The time has come for the secretary general to undertake diplomatic efforts aimed at easing the current crisis in the Gulf in all its aspects, through a process of dialogue," said Mr. Perez de Cuellar.

Five U.N. resolutions on the Gulf crisis, including one passed early Saturday approving the use of force to back a trade embargo against Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, nudged Mr. Perez de Cuellar into the negotiating spotlight.

Shortly after Mr. Perez de Cuellar extended the invitation to Mr. Aziz, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein invited the secretary general to Baghdad.

"The secretary general is always welcome in Iraq," said Mr. Hussein.

Ms. Younes said the remark did not translate into a formal invitation.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar returned to New York Sunday from a Latin American tour which took him to Peru, Chile and Colombia.

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#90238d6960 08/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (AUG 27) - Urban Chinese are smoking and drinking less while eating more protein and fruit, according to a survey cited Monday by the China Daily.

Chinese urbanites smoked 14 percent less last year than in 1985, inhaling an average of 36 packs of cigarettes, while liquor intake fell nine percent to 2.4 kilograms (5.3 pounds), the newspaper said.

The survey, which included 5,100 households in 11 major cities, found that the average intake of food energy was sufficient at 2,597 calories per day, and while Chinese were eating more meat, protein consumption was still two percent below the recommended level.

The average consumption of pork, the most popular meat, increased 15.2 per cent last year to 22.7 kilograms (50 pounds) from 1985.

City dwellers consumed 18 per cent more poultry, 6.2 kilograms (13.6 pounds) in 1989. They also ate 10.9 kilograms (24 pounds) of eggs each year, a 5.8 percent rise, and 9.6 kilograms (21 pounds) of fish, an increase of 6.7 percent.

Fruit consumption was also up over the five-year period, rising 26 percent to 41 kilograms (90 pounds) last year.

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#90238e0010 08/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BEIRUT (AUG. 26) EFE - An explosion in an Amal militia training camp in central Lebanon has left seven dead and eight wounded, the Voice of Lebanon radio station reported Sunday.

The explosion reportedly took place in a camp in the Beqaa valley, some 35 km east of the Lebanese capital.

No details of the time or cause of the explosion were given.

The Syrian-backed Amal (Hope) has been locked in a fierce battle with the pro-Iranian Hezbollah militia for control of territory and influence over Lebanon's 1.2 million Shiite Moslems.

More than 1,200 people have ben killed since intermittent clashes began between Amal and Hezbollah in 1988.

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#90238e0017 08/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LONDON (AUG. 26) EFE - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher Sunday virtually ruled out the posibility a negotiated settlement with Saddam Hussein, saying she doubted the Iraqi leader would accede U.N. demands to pull his troops out of Kuwait.

+There is no possibility of negotiations with a person that has occupied another country by force,+ she told reporters as she left a church service near Chequers, her country home west of London.

Saddam, Thatcher charged, was a +despot and tyrant who has used chemical weapons+ and indicated that in her view, he ought not to continue in power.

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#90238e0019 08/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 26) EFE - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said Sunday his country has no plans to use force against Iraq or play a direct role in the UN Gulf blockade, as he wrapped up two days of talks with his French counterpart Roland Dumas.

Shevardnadze added, however, that the Soviet government was willing to provide the United Nations Security Council with information concerning the +substantial quantities+ of arms and +fairly modern+ weapons systems it has sold to Iraq.

On Saturday, the Soviet Union voted in favor of a Security Council resolution tacitly authorizing Western warships to use force in maintaining the blockade meant to pressure Iraq into withdrawing its occupying armies from Kuwait.

The Soviet foreign minister emphatically denied that Soviet military advisors in Baghdad had assisted the Iraqi military in planning their August 2 invasion of Kuwait. The advisors would be gradually withdrawn, he noted.

In a joint statement, the two foreign ministers called on Iraq to obey UN resolutions calling for the release of the thousands of Wssterners being held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait.

For his part, Dumas said +Let us not be hypocrites. Everybody does business deals involving arms. But there will be no solution to this unless an honest order is first established in the world.+

France has been second only to the Soviet Union as Iraq's main supplier of weapons.

Shevardanadze and Dumas said that as well as the Gulf Crisis, their talks had centered on the upcoming +Two plus Four+ meeting set for next month in Moscow.

In addition to that meeting, at which the two Germanys and the four victorious allies of World War II are to discuss Germany's forthcoming unification, Shevardnadze and Dumas said they also reviewed the situation in Cambodia.

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#90238e0020 08/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 26) EFE - Iraq is keeping up the pressure on foreign embassies in Kuwait but none of the defiant diplomats have been arrested or otherwise directly molested by the occupying army, according to Arab radio reports monitored Sunday in Cyprus.

The Iraqi Information Ministry said those diplomats still in Kuwait have lost their immunity but added that Iraq's original threat of using force to expel them would not be followed up.

The shutting off of water and electricity which began Saturday with the U.S. and French embassies has been extended to the British, Italian, Belgian, Turkish and East German missions, said the radio reports.

The first three legations remain surrounded by Iraqi troops. Soldiers were also deployed around the embassies of Japan, Norway, Sweden and Romania, but the encirclement of the Canadian mission appeared to have been called off.

A West German Foreign Ministry spokesman said the Iraqis had cut their embassy's electricity supplies but water was still flowing.

He added that an emergency electrical system was enabling them to communicate with Bonn once an hour.

Qatar announced Sunday that its embassy was remaining open -- a decision already taken by fellow Gulf Cooperation Council members Saudi Arabia and Oman.

The Iraqis had originally set a Friday deadline for all 63 embassies in Kuwait to close their doors and transfer their delegations to Baghdad following the invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

The 12 member countries of the European Community, United States and Japan have all cut their staffs in Kuwait to a minimum but refused to halt their operations.

In a related development Sunday, some 55 family members of U.S. diplomats left Baghdad in a convoy of vehicles headed for Turkey after they were evacuated from Kuwait to Iraq, State Department sources said in Washington.

The previous day 23 family members from the French mission in Kuwait arrived in the Jordanian capital, Amman, along with 120 of the 3,000 Romanians estimated to be trapped in Iraq.

The Belgian commercial attache in Kuwait has also left Iraq together with his family, the reports said.

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#90238e0022 08/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 26) EFE - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein received a message from Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi when he met Sunday with a member of the Libyan Revolutionary Command Council in Baghdad, the Iraqi news agency INA

reported.

Libyan envoy Mustafa Al Jarrubi gave Saddam a message from Gaddafi concerning the crisis in the Gulf and bilateral relations between Libya and Iraq, according to INA.

Gaddafi has condemned Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait but has also slammed the blockade of Iraq and the presence of Arab and Western troops in Saudi Arabia.

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#90238f0254 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 1b	3	0	1	0	Kelly cf	4	0	2	0
Gantner 2b	4	0	1	0	Sax 2b	4	0	1	0
Sheffield 3b	1	0	0	0	Azocar lf	4	0	0	0
Parker dh	4	0	1	0	Hall dh	3	0	1	0
Yount cf	3	0	0	0	Balboni dh	1	0	0	0
Deer rf	4	0	0	0	Maas 1b	3	0	1	0
Felder rf	0	0	0	0	Barfield rf	4	0	0	0
Hamilton lf	4	0	0	0	Leyritz 3b	3	0	1	0
O'Brien c	4	0	1	0	Geren c	2	0	1	0
Spiers ss	3	1	1	0	Nokes c	1	0	0	0
					Espinoza ss	2	0	0	0
					Cerone ph	1	0	0	0
					Tolleson ss	0	0	0	0
Totals	30	1	5	0	Totals	32	0	7	0

Milwaukee 000 010 000- 1
New York 000 000 000- 0

E-Sax, Maas. DP-Milwaukee 1, New York 2. LOB-Milwaukee 7, New York 7. 2B-Maas. 3B-Gantner. SB-Gantner (12), Kelly (31).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Knudson (W 10-6)	7	6	0	0	1	1
Crim	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Plesac (S 21)	1 1-3	0	0	0	1	2
New York						
Leary (L 7-16)	9	5	1	1	5	10

WP-Leary. T-2:59. A-20,191.

Umpires-Home, Phillips; 1b, Hirschbeck; 3b, McCoy.

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CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Cole Jr cf	6	0	0	0	Anderson lf	3	1	1	0
Browne 2b	5	0	1	1	Melvin ph	1	0	0	0
DiJames 1b	5	0	0	1	Gallagher lf	1	0	0	0
Phelps 1b	0	0	0	0	Orsulak rf	4	0	0	1
Maldonado lf	4	0	1	0	Ripken Jr ss	5	0	1	3
DJames dh	4	1	1	0	Horn 1b	3	0	0	0
Jacoby 3b	3	0	1	0	Segui 1b	0	0	0	0
Webster pr	0	0	0	0	Kittle dh	4	0	0	0
Brookens 3b	1	0	1	0	Tettleton c	2	1	0	0
Snyder rf	4	0	0	0	Devereax cf	4	0	1	0
Alomar c	4	1	1	1	Wrthngtn 3b	3	1	1	0
Fermin ss	2	1	1	0	Ripken 2b	4	1	3	1
Baerga ss	2	1	2	1	Finley pr	0	1	0	0
Totals	40	4	9	4	Totals	34	5	7	5

Cleveland	000 021 001 00-	4
Baltimore	002 101 000 01-	5

E-Horn. LOB-Cleveland 9, Baltimore 11. 2B-Maldonado, Ripken, Ripken Jr, Alomar. HR-Baerga (4). SB-Fermin (2), Anderson (8), Webster (20), Finley (18). S-Worthington 2, Snyder. SF- Alomar, Ripken Jr.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Walker	5 2-3	6	4	4	5	6
EValdez	0	0	0	0	2	0
Olin	2	1	0	0	0	1
Orosco	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Ward (L 1-2)	2 2-3	0	1	1	4	2
Baltimore						
Telford	5	6	3	2	2	6
Schilling	3	0	0	0	2	3
Olson	2	2	1	1	0	1
Price (W 2-2)	1	1	0	0	0	1

Telford pitched to 2 batters in the 6th.

T-4:16. A-32,053.

Umpires-Home, Shulock; 1b, McClelland; 2b, Denkinger; 3b, Voltaggio.

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BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi
Reed 2b	4	0	0	0	Wilson cf	3	0	2	0
Quintana 1b	4	0	1	0	Fernandz ss	4	0	0	0
Boggs 3b	4	1	1	0	Gruber 3b	4	0	0	0
Burks cf	4	0	0	0	Bell lf	4	0	0	0
Greenwell lf	4	1	2	0	McGriff 1b	3	0	0	0
Marshall dh	4	0	2	1	Olerud dh	4	0	1	0
Brunnsky rf	4	0	1	1	Myers c	2	0	1	0
Pena c	4	0	1	0	Williams pr	0	0	0	0
Rivera ss	4	0	1	0	Borders c	1	0	0	0
					Lee 2b	3	0	0	0
					Mulliniks ph	1	0	0	0
					Felix rf	2	0	1	0
Totals	36	2	9	2	Totals	31	0	5	0

Boston 000 000 002- 2
Toronto 000 000 000- 0

E-Bell. DP-Boston 1. LOB-Boston 7, Toronto 8. 2B-Myers. SB-Wilson (22), Felix (12).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Kiecker (W 5-6)	8	5	0	0	4	5
Gray (S 5)	1	0	0	0	0	2
Toronto						
Key	7	5	0	0	0	4
Ward (L 2-7)	2	4	2	2	0	1

WP-Kiecker. T-2:45. A-49,914.

Umpires-Home, Welke; 1b, Coble; 2b, Evans; 3b, Ford.

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OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi
RHendrsn lf	3	1	0	0	Phillips 2b	5	1	2	0
Lansford 3b	5	1	2	2	Fryman 3b	5	1	1	1
Canseco dh	4	1	1	0	Trammell ss	5	0	3	2
McGwire 1b	4	1	0	1	Fielder 1b	5	0	2	1
Hassey c	4	0	2	2	Moseby cf	4	0	0	0
Jose cf	4	0	3	1	Sheets dh	3	0	1	0

Howitt rf	4	0	0	0	Shelby dh	1	0	1	0
Lewis cf	0	0	0	0	Ward lf	3	0	0	0
Randolph 2b	4	1	2	0	Whitaker 2b	1	0	0	0
Gallego ss	3	1	0	0	Lemon rf	2	1	0	0
					Bergman lf	1	0	0	0
					Salas c	3	0	2	0
					Heath c	1	1	0	0
Totals	35	6	10	6	Totals	39	4	12	4

Oakland 002 400 000- 6
Detroit 110 000 200- 4

E-Gallego, Moseby, Fryman, Randolph. DP-Oakland 1, Detroit 1. LOB-Oakland 8, Detroit 9. 2B-Fielder 2, Trammell 3, Lansford. SB-RHenderson (51), Phillips (16), Canseco (16). S- Gallego. SF-Hassey.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Sanderson (W 13-8)	5	8	2	2	1	3
Nelson	1 2-3	2	2	1	0	0
Honeycutt	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Eckersley (S 39)	2	2	0	0	0	3
Detroit						
Terrell (L 2-2)	3	8	6	6	3	1
Parker	2 2-3	2	0	0	1	0
Gibson	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Henneman	2	0	0	0	0	1

Terrell pitched to 4 batters in the 4th, Sanderson pitched to 1 batter in the 6th.

T-3:19. A-29,613.

Umpires-Home, Scott; 1b, Roe; 2b, Garcia; 3b, Palermo.

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CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Downing dh	3	0	0	0	Sosa rf	4	1	1	0
Coachmn 3b	4	0	0	0	Bradley cf	2	1	1	0
Davis lf	4	1	3	1	Ventura 3b	0	0	0	0
Winfield rf	4	0	1	1	Calderon lf	4	1	4	1
Stevens 1b	3	0	0	0	Thomas dh	1	1	0	0
Bichette cf	4	0	2	0	Fisk c	3	0	1	3
Parrish c	4	0	0	0	Martinez 1b	3	0	0	0
Hill 2b	4	0	0	0	Johnson cf	1	1	1	0

Schofield ss	1	1	0	0	Fletcher 2b	4	0	0	0
					Grebeck 3b	3	0	0	0
					Lyons 1b	1	0	0	0
					Guillen ss	4	0	1	1
Totals	31	2	6	2	Totals	30	5	9	5

California 002 000 000- 2
Chicago 003 000 11x- 5

E-Hill. DP-California 1, Chicago 1. LOB-California 6, Chicago 8. 2B-Winfield, Fisk. SB-Sosa (23), Johnson 2 (24). S-Bradley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Abbott (L 8-12)	6 1-3	7	4	4	5	1
Fraser	1	1	1	1	1	0
McClure	2-3	1	0	0	0	2
Chicago						
Edwards (W 3-2)	6	5	2	2	3	7
Pall	1	0	0	0	0	2
Jones	1	0	0	0	0	0
Thigpen (S 43)	1	1	0	0	1	0

T-3:09. A-29,024.

Umpires-Home, Hickox; 1b, Johnson; 2b, Young; 3b, Cousins.

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SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	4	0	1	0	Pecota 3b	3	0	0	0
EMartinz 3b	4	0	0	0	Perry ph	0	0	0	1
Griffey cf	3	1	1	0	Jeltz 2b	0	0	0	0
Briley lf	0	0	0	0	McRae cf	5	0	2	1
ADavis dh	3	1	2	2	Brett 1b	4	0	1	0
O'Brien 1b	4	0	2	0	Tartabull dh	3	0	2	0
CMartinz 1b	2	0	0	0	Tabler rf	3	0	1	0
Cotto cf	2	0	0	0	Eisenreich r	1	0	0	0
Buhner rf	4	0	0	0	Wilson lf	4	1	1	1
Bradley c	4	0	0	0	Stillwell ss	2	2	1	0
Valle c	0	0	0	0	Macfarlan c	3	1	1	0
Vizquel ss	4	1	3	0	White 2b	2	0	0	0
					Seitzer 3b	2	0	1	1
Totals	34	3	9	2	Totals	32	4	10	4

Two out when winning run scored.
Seattle 001 101 000- 3

Kansas City 000 000 202- 4

E-White. DP-Seattle 2, Kansas City 1. LOB-Seattle 8, Kansas City 8. 2B-Reynolds, Macfarlane, O'Brien. 3B-Griffey. HR-ADavis (11), Wilson (2). SB-Vizquel 2 (3). SF-ADavis, Perry.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Young	6 1-3	8	2	2	2	7
MJackson	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Comstock	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Schooler	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harris (L 1-2)	2-3	2	2	2	3	0
Kansas City						
McGaffigan	5 1-3	6	3	2	2	6
Sanchez	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Crawford	2 1-3	2	0	0	0	3
Farr (W 10-5)	1	1	0	0	0	0

HBP-by Crawford (EMartinez). WP- MJackson. T-3:08. A-30,888.

Umpires-Home, Morrison; 1b, Joyce; 2b, Barnett; 3b, Kosc.

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MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Gladden lf	4	0	0	0	Pettis cf	4	0	0	0
Liriano 2b	4	0	0	0	Kunkel 3b	4	0	1	2
Hrbek 1b	3	0	1	0	Palmeiro 1b	3	0	2	0
Gaetti 3b	4	0	0	0	Sierra rf	4	0	2	0
Larkin dh	2	0	2	0	Franco 2b	4	0	0	0
Harper c	3	0	0	0	Incaviglia lf	3	0	0	0
Mack cf	3	0	0	0	Baines dh	4	1	1	0
Moses rf	2	0	1	0	Stanley c	1	0	0	0
Gagne ss	2	0	0	0	Green ss	2	0	1	0
Newman ss	1	0	0	0	JoRussell ph	0	1	0	0
					Huson ss	0	0	0	0
Totals	28	0	4	0	Totals	29	2	7	2

Minnesota 000 000 000- 0
Texas 000 000 20x- 2

DP-Texas 2. LOB-Minnesota 4, Texas 8. 2B-Palmeiro, Green, Kunkel. SB-Sierra (7). S-Stanley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Minnesota							
Guthrie (L 4-7)	6 2-3	7	2	2	2	4
Leach	1 1-3	0	0	0	1	2

Texas						
McMurtry	5	2	0	0	3	1
Barfield (W 3-0)	2	2	0	0	0	1
Arnsberg (S 5)	2	0	0	0	0	0

HBP-by Guthrie (Incaviglia). T-2:22. A-22,301.

Umpires-Home, Cooney; 1b, Cederstrom; 2b, Tschida; 3b, Brinkman.

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(AUG. 26) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts ss	4	1	2	0	DeShields 2b	4	0	1	0
Alomar 2b	4	1	1	1	DMartinz cf	4	0	0	0
Gwynn rf	4	0	1	1	Raines lf	4	1	1	1
Carter cf	4	0	1	0	Wallach 3b	3	0	0	0
Santiago c	2	0	0	0	Walker rf	2	0	1	0
Lynn lf	4	0	0	0	Grissom rf	1	0	0	0
Lefferts p	0	0	0	0	Galarrag 1b	3	0	0	0
Pagliarul 3b	4	0	0	0	Goff c	2	0	0	0
Stephensn 1b	3	0	1	0	Nixon ph	1	0	0	0
Benes p	3	0	0	0	Sampen p	0	0	0	0
Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0	Ruskin p	0	0	0	0
Harris p	0	0	0	0	Owen ss	2	0	0	0
Abner cf	0	0	0	0	JMartinez p	1	0	0	0
					Fitzgerald c	1	0	0	0
Totals	32	2	6	2	Totals	28	1	3	1

San Diego	002 000 000- 2
Montreal	000 000 100- 1

DP-San Diego 2. LOB-San Diego 5, Montreal 2. 2B-Stephenson. HR-Raines (7).
SB-Walker (17), Roberts (30), Alomar (16).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Benes (W 10-8)	6 1-3	3	1	1	2	2

Rodriguez	1	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Harris		1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Lefferts (S 21)		1	0	0	0	0	1
Montreal							
JMartinez (L 10-9)		8	6	2	2	1	5
Sampen		2-3	0	0	0	1	0
Ruskin		1-3	0	0	0	0	1

T-2:47. A-17,473.

Umpires-Home, Crawford; 1b, Hallion; 2b, DeMuth; 3b, Rapuano.

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CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Wnnnghm cf	5	0	0	0	Backman 3b	2	1	1	0
Larkin ss	5	0	1	0	Kipper p	0	0	0	0
Morris 1b	4	0	0	0	Power p	0	0	0	0
Davis lf	4	4	4	1	Bell ss	3	1	0	0
O'Neill rf	4	0	1	1	Van Slyke cf	4	0	0	0
Myers p	0	0	0	0	Bonilla rf	3	0	0	0
Sabo 3b	2	0	1	1	Bonds lf	2	0	0	0
Reed c	3	0	1	1	Bream 1b	3	0	1	2
Quinones ph	1	0	0	0	LaValliere c	2	0	1	0
Oliver c	0	0	0	0	Belliard pr	0	1	0	0
Duncan 2b	4	0	1	0	Slaught c	1	0	0	0
Armstrong p	2	0	0	0	Lind 2b	4	0	1	1
Dibble p	1	0	0	0	Drabek p	2	0	0	0
Braggs rf	1	0	0	0	Reynolds ph	1	0	0	0
					King 3b	0	0	0	0
Totals	36	4	9	4	Totals	27	3	4	3

Cincinnati 010 101 010- 4
Pittsburgh 200 000 100- 3

E-Bell, Bream. DP-Cincinnati 2. LOB-Cincinnati 7, Pittsburgh 5. 2B-Davis, O'Neill. HR-Davis (17). SB-Larkin (25), Duncan (12), Belliard (1), Lind (7). S- Bream. SF-Sabo.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Armstrong	5	3	2	2	5	1
Dibble (W 6-3)	2 1-3	1	1	1	1	1
Myers (S 25)	1 2-3	0	0	0	1	2
Pittsburgh						

Drabek	7	7	3	3	0	8
Kipper (L 5-2)	1-3	2	1	1	1	0
Power	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	2

WP-Drabek. T-3:09. A-48,205.

Umpires-Home, Pulli; 1b, Rippley; 2b, Darling; 3b, Froemming.

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CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Walton cf	2	0	0	0	McDowell lf	3	2	1	0
Sandberg 2b	4	0	2	0	Treadway 2b	4	0	0	0
Grace 1b	4	0	0	0	Gant cf	3	1	2	1
Dawson rf	4	0	0	0	Justice rf	4	0	0	1
Salazar 3b	4	0	0	0	Gregg 1b	4	0	1	1
Dunston ss	4	0	1	0	Presley 3b	4	0	0	0
Villanueva c	4	0	0	0	Lemke 3b	0	0	0	0
Dascenzo lf	4	0	2	0	Whitt c	3	0	0	0
Maddux p	2	0	1	0	Thomas ss	3	0	0	0
					Avery p	3	0	2	0
Totals	32	0	6	0	Totals	31	3	6	3

Chicago	000 000 000- 0
Atlanta	101 000 01x- 3

E-Presley, Avery, Sandberg. DP- Atlanta 2. LOB-Chicago 8, Atlanta 6. HR -Gant (23). SB-Sandberg (21). S- Maddux.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Maddux (L 11-11)	8	6	3	3	2	6
Atlanta						
Avery (W 3-7)	9	6	0	0	2	8

Balk-Maddux. T-2:14. A-20,922.

Umpires-Home, Tata; 1b, Hohn; 2b, Rennert; 3b, Bonin.

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ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Coleman lf	6	0	2	1	Rhodes lf	3	0	0	0
Jones ss	5	0	0	0	Davidson lf	1	0	0	0
Pendleton 3b	3	1	1	0	Doran 2b	5	1	2	0

CWilson 3b	2	0	0	0	Caminiti 3b	5	0	1	0
McGee rf	4	1	2	0	Stubbs 1b	4	0	0	0
Zeile 1b	4	0	1	2	Biggio c	5	0	1	0
Lankford cf	5	0	1	0	GWilson rf	5	0	1	0
Pagnozzi c	5	0	2	0	Candaele cf	4	1	0	0
Collins 1b	0	1	0	0	Ramirez ss	1	0	0	0
Oquendo 2b	3	0	1	0	Scott p	2	0	0	0
Olivares p	3	0	0	0	Rohde ph	1	0	0	0
Dayley p	0	0	0	0	Andersen p	0	0	0	0
Walling ph	1	0	0	0	Oberkfell ph	1	0	0	0
Terry p	0	0	0	0	DSmith p	0	0	0	0
Thompsn ph	0	0	0	0					
LSmith p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	41	3	10	3	Totals	37	2	5	0

St. Louis 000 002 000 01- 3
Houston 000 001 100 00- 2

E-Zeile, Pendleton, Davidson. DP-St. Louis 2. LOB-St. Louis 12, Houston 8. 2B -McGee. SB-Lankford (3), Thompson (22), Coleman (72), Biggio (24). S-Ramirez, Jones, Oquendo.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Olivares	6 2-3	4	2	1	4	4
Dayley	1 1-3	0	0	0	1	1
Terry (W 2-6)	2	0	0	0	0	2
LSmith (S 22)	1	1	0	0	0	2
Houston						
Scott	7	6	2	2	1	3
Andersen	2	1	0	0	0	2
DSmith (L 4-5)	2	3	1	0	3	1

HBP-by Andersen (Pendleton). WP- Dayley. T-3:20. A-16,459.

Umpires-Home, West; 1b, Barnes; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Wendelstedt.

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NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Bstn cf	4	0	1	0	Harris 2b	4	0	1	0
Mgdn	4	0	2	1	Gibson cf	4	1	1	0
Jffrs 2b	4	0	0	0	Daniels lf	3	0	0	0
Strw	4	0	0	0	Murray 1b	4	0	0	0
Jhnsn	3	0	0	0	Brooks rf	4	1	1	0
McRy	4	2	2	2	Scioscia c	4	0	1	0
Trv 1b	4	0	1	0	Sharperson 3b	3	0	2	0

Frnc p	0	0	0	0	Samuel pr	0	0	0	0
Sssr c	4	0	1	0	Offerman ss	3	0	0	1
Gdn p	2	1	0	0	Hatcher ph	1	0	1	0
O'Mll	0	0	0	0	Martinez p	2	0	0	0
					Javier ph	1	0	0	0
					Gott p	0	0	0	0
					Dempsey ph	1	0	0	0
Totls	33	3	7	3	Totals	34	2	7	1

New York 000 020 001- 3
Los Angeles 000 011 000- 2

E-Sasser. LOB-New York 5, Los Angeles 7. HR-McReynolds 2 (18). SB- Gibson 3 (21), Magadan (1), Daniels (3). S-Gooden.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Gooden (W 14-6)	8 2-3	6	2	1	2	11
Franco (S 30)	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles						
Martinez	7	6	2	2	1	5
Gott (L 2-3)	2	1	1	1	0	0

WP-Gooden. T-2:58. A-48,358.

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, Davidson; 2b, Williams; 3b, Montague.

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PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	5	0	0	0	Butler cf	3	0	1	2
McDowell p	0	0	0	0	Kingery cf	1	0	0	0
Daulton c	5	0	2	0	Anderson ss	2	1	2	1
VHayes lf	5	1	3	0	Parker rf	3	0	1	1
Murphy rf	4	1	1	0	Clark 1b	5	1	2	0
Kruk 1b	4	0	3	1	Mitchell lf	4	3	2	4
Ready 2b	5	0	1	0	Williams 3b	4	2	2	3
Thon ss	4	0	1	0	Carter c	5	2	2	0
Campusan cf	0	0	0	0	Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0
Hollins 3b	3	0	1	1	Dewey p	0	0	0	0
Combs p	0	0	0	0	Thompsn 2b	2	2	1	0
Ruffin p	2	0	0	0	Riles 2b	1	0	0	0
Herr ph	1	0	0	0	Litton rf	4	1	3	2
Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0	LaCoss p	2	1	0	0
Carman p	0	0	0	0	Bathe c	1	0	0	0
Booker ss	1	0	0	0					

Totals 39 2 12 2 Totals 37 13 16 13

Philadelphia 000 200 000- 2
San Francisco 080 013 10x- 13

E-Hollins. DP-Philadelphia 1. LOB- Philadelphia 13, San Francisco 9. 2B-Mitchell, Clark, Thon. HR-Williams (25), Mitchell (28). SB-Daulton (5). S-LaCoss 2. SF-Butler 2.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Combs (L 6-9)	2	7	8	8	2	1
Ruffin	3	5	1	1	0	2
Akerfelds	1	3	3	3	2	1
Carman	1	1	1	1	0	0
McDowell	1	0	0	0	1	0
San Francisco						
LaCoss (W 4-2)	7	9	2	2	3	4
Rodriguez	1	1	0	0	0	1
Dewey	1	2	0	0	0	1

T-3:00. A-15,961.

Umpires-Home, Runge; 1b, Winters; 2b, Davis; 3b, Layne.

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NEW DELHI (AUG. 26) XINHUA - 22 PEOPLE, INCLUDING SEVEN MILITANTS, WERE KILLED IN INDIA'S TURMOIL STATE OF PUNJAB SINCE LAST NIGHT, REPORTS REACHING HERE THIS EVENING SAID.

TWO MILITANTS RESPONSIBLE FOR NEARLY 50 KILLINGS AND SIX BANK DACOITIES WERE KILLED IN AN ENCOUNTER WITH SECURITY FORCES IN THARAJ VILLAGE IN FARIDKOT DISTRICT THIS EVENING.

BESIDES, SECURITY FORCES NABBED 18 MILITANTS AND SEIZED A LARGE QUANTITY OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION FROM THEM.

MEANWHILE, A POWERFUL BOMB EXPLODED IN A CINEMA HALL IN DINA NAGAR TOWN OF GURDASPUR DISTRICT TODAY, LEAVING NINE PERSONS INJURED, THREE OF THEM SERIOUSLY.

ANOTHER REPORT SAID THAT A GANG OF MILITANTS GUNNED DOWN FOUR FEMALE MEMBERS OF A PUNJAB POLICE CONSTABLE FAMILY IN THARU VILLAGE ON THE

OUTSKIRTS OF TARN TARAN TOWN LAST NIGHT.

THE ASSAILANTS INTRUDED INTO THE HOME OF CONSTABLE DARBIL SINGH AND OPENED FIRE KILLING HIS WIFE AND THREE DAUGHTERS, THE REPORT SAID.

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SHANGHAI (AUG. 27) XINHUA - WITH ONLY ONE CLASSROOM, A LABORATORY AND FIVE TEACHERS, THE SHANGHAI YOUNGSTERS AMATEUR INVENTION SCHOOL HAS BECOME A WELL-KNOWN CRADLE OF INVENTORS.

SET UP IN 1985, THE SCHOOL HAS TRAINED MORE THAN 200 STUDENTS WHO HAVE DEVISED SEVERAL HUNDRED INVENTIONS, OVER 50 OF WHICH HAVE WON MEDALS IN NATIONAL AND SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL CONTESTS AND A DOZEN OF WHICH HAVE GOT STATE PATENTS. MANY OF THE INVENTIONS HAVE BEEN PUT INTO MASS PRODUCTION BY FACTORIES.

THESE INVENTIONS INCLUDE MULTI-FUNCTIONAL SCISSORS, MINI-NUTCRACKER, THERMOS BOTTLE WATER LEVEL INDICATOR, ALARM FOR MEDICAL INFUSIONS, AND A DEVICE FOR MULTI-LEVEL CONTROL OF THE VOLUME OF THE DISPLACEMENT OF FLUSH TOILETS.

THE SCHOOL ENROLLS PUPILS AND JUNIOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM 10 AND 15 YEARS OF AGE THROUGH EXAMINATIONS, WHICH INCLUDE A 90-MINUTE WRITTEN EXAMINATION AND A PRACTICAL TEST.

THIS YEAR THE PRACTICAL TEST INVOLVED TURNING ONE METER OF GALVANIZED WIRE INTO AN ARTICLE OF EVERYDAY USE.

THE SCHOOL OPENS ONLY ON SUNDAYS, EXCEPT FOR THE SUMMER AND WINTER VACATIONS, WHEN IT IS OPEN EVERY DAY. IN THE CLASS, THE STUDENTS MAY DO WOODWORK, LATHE WORK OR ELECTRONIC WORK TO MANUFACTURE AND TEST, UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF THEIR TEACHERS, DEVICES THEY HAVE DESIGNED THEMSELVES.

THE TEACHERS OFTEN TELL THE STUDENTS THAT AN INVENTOR SHOULD PAY ATTENTION TO OBSERVING EVERYTHING IN DAILY LIFE AND DETERMINE TO IMPROVE THINGS. THEY TAKE EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO ENLIGHTEN THE STUDENTS. DURING TOURS IN THE SUBURBS OR VISIT TO THE COUNTRYSIDE OR FACTORIES THEY ASK "WHY" AND "HOW", AND MAKE THE STUDENTS THINK AND PROBE.

TEACHING IS MAINLY AIMED AT BRINGING OUT THE CHILDREN'S CONSCIOUSNESS OF CREATION AND INVENTION. THE STUDENTS CAN FANTASIZE AS MUCH AS THEY LIKE.

WHEN VISITING A TEXTILE MILL, FU JIONGZHE, 15, VOWED THAT HE WOULD INVENT A DEVICE TO ABSORB THE DEAFENING NOISE AND TURN THE NOISE ENERGY INTO THERMAL ENERGY FOR PRACTICAL USE.

HOWEVER, HIS TEACHER EXPLAINED THAT THE IDEA WAS NOT FEASIBLE, AND INSTEAD FU INVENTED A KIND OF PIN WHICH ATTACHES CAMPHOR BALLS TO THE CLOTHES AND PROTECTS THEM FROM MOTHS. THE INVENTION GOT A STATE PATENT.

LI JIALING, HEAD OF THE INVENTION SCHOOL, SAID THAT HE HOLDS THAT SPARETIME EDUCATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SHOULD BE A SUPPLEMENT TO REGULAR EDUCATION IN PRIMARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS NOWADAYS, WHEN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IS DEVELOPING RAPIDLY.

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(AUG. 26) UPI - Iraq lashed out at its former ally the Soviet Union Saturday for supporting a U.N. Security Council resolution calling for stricter enforcement of economic sanctions against Baghdad, and stepped up its pressure on defiant embassies that have remained open in occupied Kuwait.

Austrian President Kurt Waldheim met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein - the first Western leader to do so since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2 - and left Baghdad accompanied by 96 Austrians who had been held in Iraq and Kuwait.

The Iraqi News Agency said the Soviets gave Iraq less than two hours Friday to respond to a letter by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev that urged Iraq to pull its troops out of occupied Kuwait.

The news agency said Moscow, ignoring Baghdad's pleas for more time, then voted in favor of the U.S.-sponsored resolution, which calls for the use of ''such measures ... as may be necessary'' to prevent ships from breaking the economic embargo.

U.S. officials said the resolution would further legitimize the use of military force by American warships to intercept Iraqi shipping. But there was no immediate word on when or how the massive U.S. military deployment in the Persian Gulf would begin halting Iraqi ships.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar launched a personal peace initiative Saturday and warned its failure could mean real ''armed conflict.''

The U.N. leader, during a visit to Colombia, said he invited Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to ''urgent'' talks this week in either New York or Geneva to search for a peaceful solution to the conflict.

Iraqi troops armed with machine guns and mortars, meanwhile, kept careful watch on foreign embassies in occupied Kuwait that defied an order by Iraq to close.

Power, water and telephone service to many of the besieged embassies have been cut. An Italian Foreign Ministry spokesman said Iraqi troops began destroying the perimeter wall at the French Embassy in an apparent attempt to get to the water supply system and shut it off. Italy has been reportedly relaying messages from the French Embassy to Paris through Rome due to a communications fault in the French building.

In London, the British news agency ITV said Saturday there were unconfirmed reports from Kuwait City that Iraqi troops had entered the embassy of Saudi Arabia. No additional details were available.

In Damascus, Syrian officials said Saturday six Britons and one Australian fled across the Iraqi border and were given refuge. Iraq is preventing foreign nationals whose countries have sent forces to the gulf from leaving.

Waldheim arrived in Amman, Jordan, Saturday after leaving Baghdad following his meetings with Saddam. The Austrian president told Cable News Network the Iraqi leader had said he wanted to negotiate a political solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

''He's ready and willing - that's what he told me - to negotiate with those countries to bring about a peaceful solution,'' Waldheim said, adding that the countries to which Saddam referred were the United States, other Western nations and Arab leaders.

Waldheim told reporters at Amman's heavily guarded military airport that while Saddam had allowed the 96 Austrians to depart, the Iraqi leader left open the question of the fates of other trapped Westerners.

''He told me that he would keep them in mind and could not give me any immediate answer,'' Waldheim said.

Between meetings with Waldheim, Saddam held a televised news conference and quizzed reporters like a history teacher to reiterate his point that Kuwait was historically part of Iraq and that Baghdad's invasion of the tiny emirate was justified.

Asked whether he had a message to Americans, Saddam, dapper in a suit with a silk handkerchief in the breast pocket, said he wanted peace but was ready to fight.

''I'm going to say, this is not a threat but a fact, I shall say that whoever collides with Iraq will find in front of him columns of dead bodies that may have a beginning but not an end,'' he said. ''We want the Americans to live.''

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(AUG. 26) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	74	52	.587	-	37-26	37-26	7-3	L-2
New York	70	54	.565	3	40-22	30-32	5-5	L-1
Montreal	65	60	.520	8 1/2	34-24	31-36	4-6	W-1
Chicago	60	65	.480	13 1/2	31-32	29-33	5-5	W-1
Philadel.	58	66	.468	15	29-28	29-38	4-6	L-4
St. Louis	58	68	.460	16	30-38	28-30	4-6	L-1
West								
Cincinnati	72	53	.576	-	37-25	35-28	4-6	W-2
Los Angeles	66	60	.524	6 1/2	38-27	28-33	7-3	W-1
San Fran.	66	60	.524	6 1/2	36-27	30-33	6-4	W-4
San Diego	59	65	.476	12 1/2	32-35	27-30	5-5	L-1
Houston	56	71	.441	17	36-26	20-45	5-5	W-1
Atlanta	48	78	.381	24 1/2	26-36	22-42	4-6	L-1

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(AUG. 26) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Auto Racing
Denver - CART Texaco-Halvoline G.P.

Baseball

American League
Milwaukee at New York, 1:30 p.m.
Boston at Toronto, 1:35 p.m.
Cleveland at Baltimore, 1:35 p.m.
Seattle at Kansas City, 2:35 p.m.
California at Chicago, 2:35 p.m.
Oakland at Detroit, 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Texas, 8:05 p.m.

National League
San Diego at Montreal, 1:35 p.m.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 1:35 p.m.
Chicago at Atlanta, 2:10 p.m.
St. Louis at Houston, 2:35 p.m.
New York at Los Angeles, 4:05 p.m.

Philadelphia at San Francisco, 4:35 p.m.

Exhibition Football
Houston at Minnesota, 1 p.m.

Golf
Akron, Ohio - PGA NEC World Series of Golf
Minneapolis - $375,000 Northgate LPGA Classic
Chattanooga, Tenn. - PGA Chattanooga Classic.
Kenmore, Wash. - GTE Northwest Classic.

Tennis
Mahwah, N.J. - Women's $225,000 United Jersey Bank Classic
Commack, N.Y. - Men's $250,000 Hamlet Challenge Cup.
New York - Men's WCT Tournament of Champions.
Haverford, Pa. - Women's Haverford tournament.

Track and Field
Linkoping, Sweden - Modern Pentathlon, Women's World Championships

Volleyball
China - Women's World Championships

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#90238u0108 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - The Soviet news agency Tass says a protest against a store that refused to sell alcohol mushroomed into an insurrection. An estimated 15-hundred people rioted in the Siberian city of Chelyabinsk . Several cars and an ambulance were smashed. Police kept the rioters from breaking into a building where arrested protesters were held.

Brian Keenan returned home to Ireland Saturday after four years as a hostage in Lebanon. He raised his arms in a victory salute as he got off a jet at Dublin Airport and the crowd cheered. Keenan was freed Friday in Lebanon. Syrian officials say during his captivity he saw three other hostages and they are well.

The annual ''Short Fat Guys Road Race'' was run Saturday at Crooked River Ranch, Oregon. As usual, there was NO winner. All of the estimated 45 entrants crossed the finish line in a bunch. The course is one mile and all downhill. There's a break at the halfway point where racers consume beer and hot dogs.

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#90238u0140 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - There are home runs that just clear fences, and there are

ones that clear entire ballparks.

Cecil Fielder crushed one of each Saturday, leading the Detroit Tigers to a longball-filled 14-4 rout of the Oakland Athletics.

''I've probably hit some farther than that (second) one,'' said Fielder, who drove in five runs with his 40th and 41st homers and a bases-loaded walk. ''The distance isn't as important as long as they go.''

Fielder was referring to his second blast, a mammoth two-run shot in the fourth that cleared Tiger Stadium's left-field roof.

Alan Trammell singled with two outs off Dave Stewart, 17-10, when Fielder stepped up and launched a 3-1 pitch. The ball bounced once on the downward sloping outer edge of the roof, bounced up to the apex, teetered there a moment before its topspin carried it over. It was estimated it would have gone 500 feet if the stands hadn't gotten in the way.

''I said before the season started he'd hit one over the roof,'' Detroit Manager Sparky Anderson said. ''He'll hit one a year, average. You can't stop him.''

Only Harmon Killebrew, Aug. 3, 1962, and Frank Howard, May 18, 1968, have hit balls that cleared the left-field roof, which stands 82 feet high and runs out from 340 to 365 feet.

''That was serious power. Impressive. He's a real power hitter,'' said Oakland slugger Jose Canseco, who lined a homer over the 440-mark in center field - a two-run shot - for his 35th of the season. Mark McGwire followed with his 33rd to give Oakland a 3-0 lead.

Fielder had put the Tigers on the board in the first with another two-run blast. This one landed more than halfway up the upper deck bleacher seats, an estimated 475 feet, into an area seldom reached by right-handed hitters.

''I probably got more pleasure out of the 40th than out of the 41st, just to have hit the 40th one,'' said Fielder, who has 108 RBI.

''I'm so happy for him,'' Anderson said. ''There's a guy that had to go across the ocean (to Japan). Let's not say 25 clubs didn't want him - 26 didn't want him.

''For that to happen and for him to do what he's done - that's tremendous. It says to everybody, 'If you believe in yourself, there's a chance.'''

John Shelby (4) and Alan Trammel (12) added homers for Detroit and Terry Steinbach slugged his sixth of the season for Oakland.

--- AROUND THE AL ---

Elsewhere in the American League: Boston edged Toronto 1-0, Milwaukee downed New York 5-3, California topped Chicago 3-2, Cleveland wrecked Baltimore 11-5, Seattle slugged Kansas City 6-3, and Minnesota stopped Texas 8-5.

Red Sox 1, Blue Jays 0

At Toronto, Roger Clemens pitched a five-hitter for his seventh straight victory and Dwight Evans' hit his 12th homer to help Boston open a three-game lead in the AL East. Clemens, 19-5, hasn't lost since July 20. In that span, he has allowed just four earned runs in 58 1-3 innings for a 0.62 ERA.

Brewers 5, Yankees 3

At New York, Greg Brock smacked a two-out, three-run home run off Dave Righetti, 1-1, in the ninth inning to lift Milwaukee to its third straight victory over the Yankees. Mark Lee, 1-0, was the winner. Chuck Crim recorded his eighth save.

Angels 3, White Sox 2

At Chicago, rookie Lee Stevens hit a three-run homer with two outs in the ninth to help California end its four-game losing streak. Bobby Thigpen, 4-6, blew his seventh save opportunity in 50 games. Mark Langston, 8-15, has won three straight for the first time since July 1989.

Indians 11, Orioles 5

At Baltimore, Jerry Browne homered and collected four RBI and Sandy Alomar homered and drove home two runs to spark the Cleveland Indians to an 18-hit attack. Steve Olin, 2-4, earned the victory in relief.

Mariners 6, Royals 3

At Kansas City, Mo., Ken Griffey Jr. singled in the go-ahead run and Edgar Martinez stole home in a two-run seventh, snapping the Royals' five-game winning streak. It was the Mariners' first theft of home since Spike Owens did it in Texas June 3, 1984.

Twins 8, Rangers 5

At Arlington, Texas, Brian Harper collected four hits, with two doubles and two RBI, helping Minnesota break a nine-game losing streak. David West improved to 7-8. Gary Mielke fell to 0-3.

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(AUG. 26) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

Batting
(Minimum 330 at-bats)
American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	380	90	123	.324
Palmeiro, Tex	463	57	148	.320
Trammell, Det	466	62	148	.318
Brett, KC	439	68	139	.317
Harper, Min	380	52	119	.313
CJames, Cle	410	49	126	.307
Griffey, Sea	492	74	151	.307
Boggs, Bos	483	70	148	.306
JoReed, Bos	457	56	140	.306
Sheffield, Mil.	433	60	132	.305

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	459	90	158	.344
McGee, StL	492	74	166	.337
Magadan, NY	336	55	113	.336
Dawson, Chi	403	52	127	.315
Gwynn, SD	499	68	157	.315
Bonds, Pit	404	87	125	.309
Murray, LA	427	72	132	.309
Grace, Chi	456	53	140	.307
Mitchell, SF	420	75	127	.302
Sandberg, Chi	497	92	150	.302

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 41; Canseco, Oak 35; McGwire, Oak 33; McGriff, Tor 28; Deer, Mil 25.

National League - Bonilla, Pit 30; Sandberg, Chi 29; Strawberry, NY and Mitchell, SF 28; Williams, SF 26; Bonds, Pit 25.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 108; Canseco, Oak 87; McGwire, Oak 86; Gruber, Tor 85; Parker, Mil 81; Sierra, Tex 78.

National League - Williams, SF 97; Carter, SD 96; Bonds, Pit 92; Bonilla, Pit 90; Strawberry, NY 80.

Doubles

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos 41; Puckett and Harper, Min and Brett, KC 35; Calderon, Chi and Boggs, Bos 34.

National League - Jefferies, NY and Dykstra, Phi 34; Wallach, Mtl and McGee, StL 32; Johnson, NY and Bonilla, Pit 31.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 16; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos, Johnson, Chi and Pettis, Tex 7.

National League - Duncan, Cin and Coleman, StL 9; Smith, Atl 8; Thompson, StL and Gwynn, SD 7.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 51; Kelly and Sax, NY 31; Calderon, Chi 29; Pettis, Tex 28.

National League - Coleman, Stl 72; Yelding, Hou 49; Bonds, Pit 43; Nixon, Mtl 41; Raines, Mtl and Butler, SF 36.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 90; Fielder, Det 82; Yount, Mil 80; McGriff, Tor 77; Seitzer, KC 75; Griffey, Sea and Puckett, Min 74; Franco, Tex 73.

National League - Bonilla, Pit 97; Sandberg, Chi 92; Dykstra, Phi 90; Bonds, Pit 87; Sabo, Cin 84.

Hits

American League - Griffey, Sea 151; Boggs, Bos, Palmeiro, Tex and Tram-mell, Det 148; Kelly, NY 147.

National League - McGee, StL 166; Dykstra, Phi 158; Gwynn, SD 157; Sandberg, Chi 150; Alomar, SD 148.

Pitching

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 21; Clemens, Bos 19; Stewart, Oak 17; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 16.

National League - Drabek, Pit and Viola, NY 16;; Martinez, LA 15; Gooden, NY 14; Harkey, Chi and Armstrong and Browning, Cin 12.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 110 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 1.95; Finley, Cal 2.47; Stewart, Oak 2.73; Steib, Tor 2.97; Hibbard, Chi 2.99.

National League - Whitson, SD 2.41; Tudor, Stl 2.45; Viola, NY 2.71; Martinez, MON, 2.82; Drabek, Pit 2.86.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 189; Ryan, Tex 170; Witt, Tex 165; Hanson, Sea 161; Langston, Cal 155; Johnson, Sea 152.

National League - Martinez, LA 188; Cone, NY 174; Gooden, NY 166; DeMartinez, Mtl and DeLeon, StL 141.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi 43; Eckersley, Oak 39; Jones, Cle 34; Schooler, Sea 30; Olson, Bal 29.

National League - Franco, NY 30; Myers, Cin 25; L.Smith, StL 22; Lefferts, SD 21; Smith, Hou 20.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 8; Morris, Det, Leary, NY, Clemens, Bos, Young, Sea and Brown, Tex 6; Finley, Cal, Saberhagen and Gordon, KC 5.

National League - Martinez, LA 8; Morgan, LA, Maddux, Chi, De.Martinez, Mtl and Viola, NY 6; Smoltz, Atl, Belcher, LA, Drabek, Pit and Hurst and Whitson, SD 5.

Shutouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 4; Stewart, Oak 3; Eleven pitchers tied with 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3; Thirteen players tied with 2.

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#90238u0166 08/26/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 26) UPI - The television studios of WLS-TV were evacuated Saturday and the station went off the air while police conducted a search of the 13-floor building for a gunman who may have robbed a pizza restaurant earlier in the day.

Patrolman Richard Cosentino said two men who had robbed a restaurant in the morning were pursued by police. Cosentino said one man was arrested near the building that houses the television studios but the other man, who police said was armed, fled into the building.

A WLS employee said police evacuated the building at 11 a.m. and searched the building but could not find the man. Cosentino said, however, later in the day an employee saw the man and alerted police again. He said the building was evacuated a second time at 8 p.m. while police conducted a floor-by-floor search of the building with two dog teams, two tactical units and about 10 police officers.

The television station went off the air at 10 p.m. WLS-TV began transmitting from the Sears Tower at about 10:30 p.m. to inform the audience know why the station had been off the air for its 10 p.m. nightly newscast.

Sgt. Louis Wilcox said police called off the search at 11:15 p.m.

''The guy probably got away,'' he said.

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#90238u0170 08/26/1990 ~United Press International
COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AUG. 26) UPI - Security forces entered the fifth day of a major offensive against Tamil guerrillas Sunday, seizing control of a strategic island in northern Sri Lanka and preparing to storm the rebel stronghold of Jaffna, a senior military official said.

The object of the offensive, which was launched Wednesday and involved some 3,600 troops, was to capture the area surrounding a 300-year-old, star-shaped former Dutch fort, where about 200 soldiers and policemen have been trapped by rebels for more than two months.

A senior military official said security forces Sunday captured the island of Mandathivu, about 5 miles southwest of the port town of Jaffna, where the fort is located.

''We seized control of Mandathivu at dawn today and our troops are now poised to cross the causeway to the old Dutch fort camp,'' the official said.

The Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, who control most of the northern Jaffna peninsula, have used automatic weapons and mortars in sporadic attacks on the fort, preventing government helicopters from landing inside to deliver food and other supplies, and evacuating wounded soldiers.

Past efforts by government forces to break the rebel grip on the area have failed. But military officials said they were confident that ''Operation Fort'' will succeed.

''We have reason to believe that Tiger terrorists are in difficulty,'' said the official. ''Radio intercepts have shown them calling for help from cadres in other areas.''

Military officials said at least 185 rebels and civilians have been killed since the offensive was launched last week. They did not say how many soldiers had been killed or wounded.

Fighting between Tiger rebels and security forces broke out in mid-June after militants attacked four military bases in eastern Sri Lanka.

Attempts to negotiate a cease-fire failed and fighting spread throughout the eastern and northern provinces. Since then, at least 2,600 combatants and civilians have been killed.

Tiger rebels are fighting for an independent homeland in northern and eastern Sri Lanka for the nation's mostly-Hindu Tamil minority.

They believe that Tamils have been discriminated against for years by the majority Sinhalese, who are predominantly Buddhist and who control the Colombo government.

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#90238u0175 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

VIENNA (AUG. 26) UPI - Austrian President Kurt Waldheim, flying home to Vienna Sunday with a planeload of Austrian citizens who had been trapped in Iraq and Kuwait, said he made no deals with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein to win the release of his countrymen.

Waldheim said he failed to persuade the Iraqi leader to free other foreigners stranded in the Persian Gulf but said Saddam expressed willingness during their talks Saturday to find a peaceful solution to the three-week-old crisis.

''He said, 'I am ready to negotiate. I am ready for discussions,''' Waldheim told Austrian television in a live interview from his airplane as it flew from Amman, Jordan, toward the Austrian capital early Sunday.

Accompanying Waldheim were more than 80 Austrian citizens who were granted permission to return home following Waldheim's talks with Saddam. About 31 other Austrians arrived in Vienna earlier from Turkey after fleeing Iraq over land.

Waldheim brushed aside suggestions that his visit to Iraq represented a break in solidarity with the United States and other western countries, and he stressed he had made no deals with Saddam.

''There were no conditions set for releasing the Austrians, so I don't think this could turn out to be negative for Austria,'' he told state-owned television.

He said there was ''no question'' of reversing Austria's policy of honoring U.N.-mandated trade sanctions against Iraq and Kuwait.

Waldheim was the first Western head of state to meet with Saddam since the invasion of Kuwait.

Having become acquainted with Saddam while serving as U.N. secretary-general, Waldheim had said he planned to use his personal influence to win the release of Austrians and other foreigners trapped in Iraq and Kuwait.

''The main thing that concerned me was the fate of the Austrians. I was getting letters from mothers and fathers, saying, 'Please, do something,'' he said. ''...I am very happy that things worked out.''

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#90238u0182 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AUG. 26) UPI - An overloaded and unlicensed pleasure boat chartered by the Shell Oil Co. and carrying 88 vacationers capsized at a lake resort in Taiwan, and 55 were feared dead, rescue officials said Sunday.

The triple-decker boat, authorized to carry 60 people, overturned late Saturday night at Sun Moon Lake while making a sharp left turn. Thirty-three of the passengers managed to swim about 500 yards to shore, the officials said.

Only 17 bodies had been recovered 18 hours after the accident at the popular resort, located about 160 miles from Taipei.

''We're all devastated to a horrific degree,'' said one of the survivors, Briton John Crossman, who is President of Shell Taiwan Ltd.

''The boat was making a left turn and then just keeled over,'' he said.

Crossman's daughter, Nicola, also made it safely to shore, but his wife and son were among those feared to have drowned.

''We're all very unclear as to what happened. After we started to turn, the boat sloped significantly and within 10 seconds it was vertical,'' said one survivor, who withheld his name.

''Three seconds later we turned completely over,'' he said.

The company chartered the ''Hsin Yeh'' for a summer moonlit cruise, and at least 85 of the occupants were Shell employees and their family members.

Of those who swam to shore or were rescued, 11 were foreigners - five Britons, five Malaysians and one Australian.

The manager of the travel agency which arranged the trip was among the 38 persons still unaccounted for, nine of whom were foreigners.

The owner of the vessel was arrested and police were planning to charge him with involuntary manslaughter, Nantou County Police officials said.

In addition to being over capacity and unlicensed, police said the boat violated a 6 p.m. curfew for pleasure yachts.

Cause of the accident had not been determined, but survivors said overcrowding was the most likely reason, as weather was not a factor.

''It was a clear and beautiful evening,'' said one, who swam in darkness to the shore.

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#90238u0186 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, Poland (AUG. 26) UPI - Solidarity leader Lech Walesa predicts he will win if he runs for the Polish presidency, but says he will do so only upon adoption of a compulsory voting law, a Polish independent daily reported.

''If I am to run, then (taking part in) the presidential elections will have to be compulsory. Every Pole has to elect the president, to take a stand,'' Walesa said in an interview published Saturday in Zycie Warszawy.

''I know I will win,'' he said of the presidential elections, which could take place as early as this fall.

''I want to have strong support. Only then would I be able to fulfill the

tasks, recall, appeal, ask or say no,'' Walesa said.

The Center Alliance, a group that emerged from the umbrella Solidarity movement to back Walesa for the presidency, wants presidential elections to be held as early as possible and has launched a campaign to force President Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, the former Communist leader, into early resignation.

As part of an agreement between Solidarity and then-ruling Communists, a presidency with vast powers was created last spring, and Jaruzelski was installed by Parliament in July 1989 for a six-year term.

Following a landslide in partially free elections last June, a Solidarity-led government led by Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki took over in September 1989 and the Communist Party fell apart, changing its name and voting itself out of existence in February.

Communist ministers of internal affairs and defense who helped Jaruzelski oversee the imposition of martial law in 1981 - an action that suppressed Solidarity but failed to deliver a fatal blow - were finally purged last month. Pressure to oust the last vestige of communist Poland, Jarulzelski, has gained strength.

Center Alliance argues that a strong, popular president is neccessary to oversee the period of economic transition that is bound to breed dissatisfaction over higher prices and decreased living standards.

Walesa, who has called for the general to step down and has expressed interest in the post, said he did not think his former close aide and present prime minister, Mazowiecki, would run against him for the presidency. The two have clashed over the pace of reforms, with Walesa wanting a speedier break with the past.

Some backers of the prime minister want him to challenge Walesa, since the presidency is potentially a more powerful post and because Mazowiecki is seen as the only person who could challenge Walesa.

Mazowiecki, who has not revealed his future political plans, addressed a gathering of Solidarity activists in Warsaw Saturday to commemorate the birth a decade ago of the Solidarity movement, the first free trade union in the East Bloc.

He recalled the important alliance between the workers and intellectuals that was forged in 1980.

''This value mustn't be lost in the new conditions,'' Mazowiecki told the audience of some 400 Solidarity figures and journalists at Warsaw University.

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#90238u0192 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 26) UPI - A man riding a motorcycle on a Bronx street was knocked off his cycle by a hit-and-run driver and killed and his bike was stolen as he lay dead, police said Sunday.

The cyclist, Richard Rivers, 23, of the Bronx, was hit at 11:45 p.m. Saturday by a car that sped away, said Sgt. Ed Burns, a police spokesman.

Rivers was dead at the scene, Burns said.

Witnesses saw a black automobile leave the scene at 176th Street and Montgomery Avenue in the University Heights section, Burns said.

''Before the police arrived, someone stole his motorcycle as he was lying there,'' Burns said.

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#90238u0196 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AUG. 26) UPI - Methane gas exploded in a coal mine in central Yugoslavia Sunday, killing at least eight miners and trapping about 178 underground, Yugoslavian news reports said.

Mine officials said the explosion occured at 1:30 a.m. at the Dobrinja lignite coal mine 120 miles southwest of Belgrade, Belgrade Radio said.

The explosion was the fourth large-scale accicident in a Yugoslavian coal mine since 1982.

The bodies of eight miners were brought out of the mine Sunday morning, the Yugoslavian news agency Tanjug reported. It was not immediately known at what depth the 178 remaining miners were trapped, Tanjug said.

The miners in Dobrinja had gone on strike on Aug. 6, but returned to work Friday.

Yugoslavia's last major mine disaster was in February 1989, when 90 miners were killed by fire in the Aleksinac brown coal mine, 130 miles southeast of Belgrade.

In 1982, 39 miners died after a methane explosion at Zenica in the republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina. In 1983, 35 died in an accident at Aleksinac in Serbia.

Yugoslavia's worst coal-mining accident occurred in 1965 when 128 died

after an explosion at Kakanj in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

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#90238u0218 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

VOSLOORUS, South Africa (AUG. 26) UPI - Paratroopers, mechanized soldiers and police swept through strife-torn black townships Sunday, searching homes and seizing makeshift weapons in a bid to enforce emergency law designed to quell savage inter-tribal violence.

Officials of the rival factions toured a number of the 27 flashpoint townships under emergency rule, seeking to consolidate a tenuous peace among their followers and reassure them in the face of the heavy military presence.

A hand grenade attack late Saturday on a railway station waiting room at Roodepoort, west of Johannesburg, killed a black man and injured two black women, police said. A spokesman said witnesses had seen ''at least one suspicious-looking black man but also a white man,'' and said it was premature to suggest any link to the internecine strife.

Heavily armed and helmeted soldiers early Sunday cordoned off streets and roads in Vosloorus, KwaThema and Botleng townships, east of Johannesburg, as squads went through houses and confiscated any object that looked like a weapon, including lengths of lead pipe and bicycle spokes.

Zulu followers of Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha movement have been waging war in the townships against the African National Congress, which has accused the Zulu chief of fomenting the strife to consolidate his political position before the beginning of power-sharing talks with Pretoria on a post-apartheid constitution.

Elite army units moved in to bolster police following the imposition by the government Friday of sweeping emergency measures in the Johannesburg-area townships, giving police almost unlimited powers of arrest and seizure for renewable three-month periods.

ANC deputy president and de facto leader Nelson Mandela, who left for a week's visit abroad Saturday, attacked the measures as ''totally useless'' and warned the broad powers given police could lead to human-rights abuses and were tantamount to reimposing a state of emergency lifted across most of South Africa in June.

Mandela is due to address a conference on ''the Anatomy of Hate'' in Oslo, Norway, on Monday and then is to travel to Libya and Algeria to follow up talks he held there on previous visits before returning home Aug. 31.

Police reported the settlements quiet but uneasy Sunday.

Since sporadic battles broke out Aug. 13 at least 515 people have been killed and about 1,500 injured. Security forces found two bodies overnight.

Internal ANC leader Walter Sisulu and Zulu tribal chiefs sympathetic to the predominantly Xhosa ANC toured townships telling their supporters to remain calm and ignore the military presence, ANC spokeswoman Gill Marcus said. ''This violence has done only terrible harm,'' she noted.

ANC officials claimed Buthelezi exported the conflict to Transvaal province from his stronghold of Natal, where battles between Inkatha and the ANC have killed up to 4,000 people since 1987.

President Frederik de Klerk, in a move aimed at racial reform, lifted a 4-year-old nationwide state of emergency June 8 in three provinces but maintained it in Natal, citing the fierce conflict there.

Buthelezi has rejected charges that he has stirred the unrest. Mandela, under pressure from De Klerk, indicated on Thursday a meeting with his arch-rival was possible, reversing an ANC demand that Inkatha had to admit culpability for the violence before any meeting between the leaders.

But Mandela gave no sign when the meeting might take place.

Mandela did not leave South Africa ''a happy man,'' Sisulu noted.

''He is unhappy with the emergency situation in the townships and the related tensions that we believe will follow in the long term,'' Sisulu said.

The emergency rule, which applies in the stricken areas for renewable periods of three months, handed police almost unlimited powers to arrest, detain and disarm warring factions.

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#90238u0230 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

Military reservists are answering their telephones nervously this weekend. 127 Naval Reserve units were activated Saturday and 173 Army National Guard and Army Reserve units were alerted for possible activation in coming weeks. This call-up because of the Mideast crisis is part of the first activation of reserves in 20 years.

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call a formal meeting that can change quotas. Analysts doubt that many will even show up for the informal meeting. Some members say they will raise production on their own if OPEC does NOT act. They say higher production is needed to offset output lost because of the U-N embargo of oil from Iraq and Kuwait.

Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze says he hopes Saturday's U-N Security Council action will persuade Iraq to pull its troops out of Kuwait. The council authorized use of limited force to implement U-N sanctions against Iraq. Shevardnadze echoed Soviet President Gorbachev's desire that Iraq end its occupation.

A pilot involved in a balloon accident over Australia that killed 13 people a year ago has been ordered to stand trial. Michael Sanby is charged with 13 counts of manslaughter. At two-thousand feet over the central Australian desert, Sanby's balloon collided with another which crashed, killing all 13 occupants.

Military sources say El Salvador has arrested a ninth soldier in last November's killing of six Jesuit priests. The soldier fled while being questioned in court, and was caught later. A court spokesman says the suspect, Sergeant Oscar Solorzano, may NOT have participated in the actual killing.

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#90238u0239 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - Los Angeles police are looking for a driver who fled on foot after hitting five transients sitting on a Skid Row sidewalk. One of the injured died in a hospital. Police say the car was trying to pass a turning truck, and was pushed onto the sidewalk. The driver is wanted on felony hit-and-run charges.

Naval Academy officials have tried to make the switch to military life easier with what they call a ''kinder, gentler'' summer orientation program. But they still report an unusually high dropout rate of four-point-five percent of this summer's plebes. 55 members of the new class of 12-hundred-32 freshmen have left already.

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#90238u0251 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

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coming weeks. This call-up because of the Mideast crisis is part of the first activation of reserves in 20 years.

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Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze says he hopes Saturday's U-N Security Council action will persuade Iraq to pull its troops out of Kuwait. The council authorized use of limited force to implement U-N sanctions against Iraq. Shevardnadze echoed Soviet President Gorbachev's desire that Iraq end its occupation.

A pilot involved in a balloon accident over Australia that killed 13 people a year ago has been ordered to stand trial. Michael Sanby is charged with 13 counts of manslaughter. At two-thousand feet over the central Australian desert, Sanby's balloon collided with another which crashed, killing all 13 occupants.

Military sources say El Salvador has arrested a ninth soldier in last November's killing of six Jesuit priests. The soldier fled while being questioned in court, and was caught later. A court spokesman says the suspect, Sergeant Oscar Solorzano, may NOT have participated in the actual killing.

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(AUG. 26) UPI - Los Angeles police are looking for a driver who fled on foot after hitting five transients sitting on a Skid Row sidewalk. One of the injured died in a hospital. Police say the car was trying to pass a turning truck, and was pushed onto the sidewalk. The driver is wanted on felony hit-and-run charges.

Naval Academy officials have tried to make the switch to military life easier with what they call a ''kinder, gentler'' summer orientation program. But they still report an unusually high dropout rate of four-point-five percent of this summer's plebes. 55 members of the new class of 12-hundred-32 freshmen have left already.

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CASTEL GANDOLFO, Italy (AUG. 26) UPI - Pope John Paul II Sunday issued his

second appeal in five days for a peaceful solution to the crisis in the Persian Gulf, making a special plea that thousands of trapped Westerners be allowed to leave Iraq and Kuwait.

Speaking to a group of several thousand pilgrimns gathered in a courtyard at the papal summer residence, John Paul appealed for prayers for ''the truly worrying situation'' in the region.

''I ask you to pray for peace in the Persian Gulf, where a truly worrying situation has been created,'' the pontiff said. ''In reality, we are witnesses to grave violations of international rights and the charter of the United Nations, such as the principles of ethics that should govern people living together.''

John Paul appealed for prayers ''for those who are suffering because of unjust treatment far from their homelands,'' an apparent reference to Iraq's refusal to allow thousands of foreigners to leave territory it now controls.

John Paul, who leaves next weekend on a trip to Africa, characterized the gulf situation as ''this hour of profound trepidation.''

The pope added that he hopes that ''the star of peace shines over the peoples of the Persian Gulf and the Middle East, especially those in Lebanon and Palestine.''

The Polish-born pontiff, meanwhile, praised his nation's Solidarity trade union as the organization's 10th anniversary approaches this week.

In an encounter which the Vatican described as purely coincidental, the pope is scheduled to meet Monday with Solidarity founder Lech Walesa at the papal summer retreat in the wine-growing hills south of Rome.

Walesa, reported to be considering a run for the presidency in newly democratic Poland, will be meeting with the pope for a fifth time. He is making a two-day private visit to Italy.

In a statement released by the Vatican, John Paul praised Solidarity - officially founded 10 years ago this Thursday - for leading Poland's way toward constructing ''a civilized society, built on the principles of a healthy democracy, avoiding everything that is unhealthy.''

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DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AUG. 26) UPI - The largest U.S military logistical operation since World War II is proceeding on schedule as ships bearing hundreds of M-1 Abrams tanks near Saudi Arabia, the mission commander said

Sunday.

The tanks, named for a U.S. commander in Vietnam, will be the crucial backbone of the U.S. ground force now assembling to confront Iraq.

Maj. Gen. William Pagonis, who has the daunting task of ushering in the enormous quantities of men and materiel coming to the desert kingdom, said at a news conference that essentials for a combat force had been delivered and the key task now was sustaining the troops.

''We have got everybody to the right place and all the cargo to the right place,'' he said. ''Our combat power is growing rapidly, and we are ready to sustain it for as long as necessary.''

He said the military foundation had been laid by hundreds of air sorties, still being flown at the rate of about 50 a day, and five cargo ships from a pre-positioned maritime force in the region.

The vessels, which had been stationed at the Indian Ocean base of Diego Garcia in case of a Middle East crisis, are delivering enough armor and equipment to sustain a full Marine brigade for 30 days.

Pagonis said the next stage of the deployment would be the arrival of ships bearing an estimated 300 M-1 Abrams main battle tanks, America's top-range heavy armor and a vital attack weapon should U.S., Saudi and Arab forces move against the Iraqi armies stationed in occupied Kuwait.

The tank is named for the late Gen. Creighton W. Abrams, a legendary World War II tank fighter under Gen. George S. Patton who later commanded U.S. military forces in the Vietnam War.

''Right now, they are due in the next few days,'' Pagonis said.

Troops from the 24th Mechanized Infantry Division have been streaming to Saudi Arabia to man the armor when it arrives.

The M-1 is viewed by analysts as overwhelmingly superior to Iraq's Soviet-supplied T-72s, and its employment would allow American forces to take the offensive and actually occupy ground they expect would be yielded by Iraqi troops hit by U.S. airpower and naval barrages.

More than 40,000 U.S. ground troops are estimated to be in Saudi Arabia, and many have been deployed to defend the main port of Jubail, north of Dhahran and about 130 miles south of Kuwait.

Pagonis bestowed accolades on the American military personnel in the desert, who he said had performed ''miracles'' by dealing with a myriad of challenges since Operation Desert Shield began full-scale Aug.8.

''It is probably the largest logistical exercise ever accomplished in the shortest period of time since World War II,'' he said.

Pagonis said the military always kept a 30-day backup of essential supplies, but this could be extended. His units had originally been working 36-hour shifts with four hours sleep, but this was now scaled back to 22 hours, with four hours sleep, he said.

The commander said forward troops were being sustained by ration packs, but about 80 to 90 percent of the food, great quantities of bottled water and certain fuels were being provided by Saudi Arabia.

''The Saudis have cut through any bureaucratic problems very swiftly,'' he said. ''There has been no squabbling or holding back. Even the United States would have a few problems dropping such a number of soldiers, for example, in New Jersey.''

The general also predicted that the Iraqi forces, estimated to number about 170,000 in Kuwait, had equally difficult tasks.

''They have to sustain their forces forward. Kuwait will only be able to provide so much food and water,'' he said. ''I am sure their logistical lines are stretched to the limit.''

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#90238u0316 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - Iraq allowed 55 Americans to leave Baghdad for Turkey Sunday but reports said authorities had rounded up more British and Japanese nationals and taken them to unknown locations.

A convoy of 13 cars carrying the Americans, most of them wives and children of U.S. diplomats stationed in Kuwait, left Baghdad in darkness before dawn Sunday and headed toward the Turkish border, said Carol Lee Heileman, U.S. Embassy duty officer in Ankara.

But she said about 54 male embassy personnel had been forbidden to leave Baghdad and ''we're working very hard to secure their release as well.''

The Americans had traveled to Baghdad from Kuwait last week after Iraq ordered all foreign embassies in the occupied city to close. The United States, along with most other countries, defied the order but sent most of its personnel to Baghdad, leaving behind a skeleton staff in Kuwait.

The release of the Americans followed an appeal by Jordan's King Hussein and intensive contacts between U.S. Embassy officials and the Iraqi foreign ministry. Iraq had said it would hold the group until the U.S.

Embassy in Kuwait was completely closed - something the United States has refused to do because it would be a tacit admission that Iraq's annexation of the oil rich emirate was successful.

In other developments Sunday:

- Iraq maintained pressure on the defiant embassies in Kuwait by preventing them from receiving power and water, but Japanese spokesmen said their two diplomats had more than enough food and water to sit tight for six months.

- Diplomatic efforts to end the conflict continued with several sets of envoys traveling from country to country, but British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's prognosis was that a negotiated settlement was ''most unlikely.''

- In Vienna, OPEC oil ministers met to discuss a proposal to increase production quotas in order to counterbalance oil shortages caused by an embargo against Iraq and Kuwait, but it appeared a serious split was developing in the cartel.

The British Foreign Office reported Sunday eight Britons were taken from their homes in Kuwait Saturday by Iraqi forces, bringing to 145 the number of British citizens who have been rounded up during the crisis.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has said the foreigners will be held at key military and economic sites to guard against attack by Western forces, which were dispatched to the gulf region after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The French foreign ministry reported eight French citizens, including two women and two children, were taken from their homes and detained at the Regency Hotel in Kuwait. About 60 French have been rounded up.

And Japanese officials in Tokyo said 20 of its citizens were rounded up from a Baghdad hotel and driven off in a bus to an unknown location.

In a message possibly signaling a stiffening resolve to round up Western foreigners, Iraq's ruling Revolutionary Command Council announced anyone found hiding foreigners would be executed because the government considered such action, a ''crime of espionage,'' the Iraqi News Agency, INA reported.

Iraq maintained pressure Sunday on more than 20 embassies in Kuwait that refused to obey Baghdad's order to shut down Friday. Electricity and water has been turned on and off at several of the missions and Iraqi troops remained outside the compounds. Several embassies also reported their telecommunication systems had been cut.

Iraq said diplomats who stayed beyond the deadline would lose their diplomatic status, indicating they could face detention. No force, however has been used to try to move them out.

Thatcher reacted angrily Sunday to a meeting last week between Saddam and British hostages that was aired on Iraqi television and rebroadcast around the world.

''You are dealing with a dictator who is an absolute tyrant, who had a callous charade on television with children,'' Thatcher said. ''We know full well that he hasn't hesisted to use the chemical weapon against innocent people. This man is a despot and a tyrant and must be stopped.''

The U.N. Security Council ruled Saturday that warships in the gulf region could use ''minimal force'' to stop ships suspected of breaking an economic blockade against Iraq imposed by the United Nations following the invasion of Kuwait.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 26) UPI - Like winds that sweep across fields, bending the grain into passing waves, the impact of the Persian Gulf crisis is rippling across rural America in the form of higher fuel prices and worries about lost sales.

There were reports of fuel prices rising 40 cents a gallon in the Northwest while Corn Belt farmers, some of them approaching the end of a rain-soaked growing season, worried about unexpected costs for drying their grain.

In the parched Southeast, the president of the Georgia Agribusiness Council said higher fuel prices could worsen the situation of producers who are pumping water to their crops.

''You start pumping hundreds of thousands of gallons of water a day, and you can go through a tanker of diesel (fuel) in a day,'' said council president Gary Black.

An Agriculture Department official estimated that a $5 a barrel increase in oil prices could add $900 million a year in farm fuel, fertilizer, pesticide and utility costs, assuming a long-lasting oil-price increase.

''Diesel prices are up 40 cents a gallon from a month ago,'' said Gary Benner, petroleum manager for a farm supplier in the Spokane, Wash., area. ''Where (the farmer) used to spend $7,500 per year, he's now spending $11,000.

''Their reaction is the reaction you and I have to rising gasoline prices - they don't like it.''

Iraq was the 12th largest market for U.S. agricultural exports, buying $800 million in goods during fiscal 1989. Even before the U.S. embargo, sales had been expected to shrink because of curtailment of Iraqi access to export credit guarantees.

Iraq was the No. 1 market for U.S. rice exports, buying 20 percent of them in fiscal 1989 and 302,254 metric tons of U.S. rice in the first eight months of this fiscal year.

''The general attitude is one of exasperation. You just want to grow your hands up,'' said rice grower John Tull of Lonoke, Ark. ''Not only does this take your largest market away and affect our price drastically, but it's going to increase our production costs.''

Rice prices have fallen by about 50 cents per 100 pounds since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2 and precipitated the international embargo. The Agriculture Department has reduced its forecast of exports by 3 percent, to 74 million hundredweight, based on ''additional sales to other markets'' making up for most of the loss of the Iraqi market.

In addition, it has reduced its forecast of rice prices during the coming year by 50 cents per hundredweight. There is a large world rice crop this year.

Iraq played a far less prominent role in other U.S. farm exports. It accounted for 3 percent of wheat sales and 1 percent of corn sales.

However, the Bush administration was under pressure to protect farmer income against any possible downturn in grain sales and market prices. Farmers are expected to harvest bumper crops of wheat and feed grains this year, with prices expected to fall as a result. Large world crops are projected to put a crimp on export sales.

''The embargo does not have to hurt American grain exports or depress grain prices if the president and the (Agriculture Department) will simply use the tools they have to move farm commodities around the world or into a strategic reserve,'' said Rep. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., whose home state is the No. 1 durum wheat grower.

Dorgan's prescription - putting wheat into long-term storage in the Farmer Owned Reserve, re-stocking the Food Security Wheat Reserve and making heavy use of export subsidy programs - was similar to ideas expressed earlier this month by Wheat Belt congressmen worried about low prices.

Consumers were not expected to feel much of a direct impact from higher farm expenses. Fuel, chemicals and utilities account for 15 percent of farm production costs and farmers get 24 cents out of each dollar spent on food.

The Agriculture Department has forecast food prices will go up 5 percent to 7 percent this year, partly because of double-digit increases for some commodities and the uncertain fuel price outlook.

In addition to the impact on farmers, oil price increases could affect the cost of processing, packaging, shipping and selling food.

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AMMAN, Jordan (AUG. 26) UPI - King Hussein of Jordan traveled Sunday to Libya on the first stop of another round of visits to Middle East capitals in pursuit of an Arab initiative to avert war in the Persian Gulf region.

State-run Amman radio said Hussein flew to Tripoli with a delegation of senior officials after holding separate meetings during the day in Amman with Turkish Foreign Minister Ali Bozer and the Sudanese leader, Gen. Omar Hassan al Bashir.

The trip was being made ''within the framework of his majesty's continuous efforts to end the gulf crisis by peaceful means and within the Arab fold '' the radio said.

The radio did not disclose Hussein's other destinations, although they are expected to include Algiers.

''His majesty will hold talks with officials of Arab countries on finding an Arab solution to the crisis and to avert destructive war in the area,'' it said.

Hussein last week visited Sudan and Yemen.

After his talks with Hussein, Bashir departed for Iraq for talks with the government of President Saddam Hussein.

He stressed that he was also involved in a search for an Arab plan to prevent hostilities between Iraqi forces and military contingents deployed in the gulf area by the United States, other Western states and several Arab nations.

''We are doing all we can to defuse the crisis and to prevent the outbreak of a devastating war. We are trying to formulate an Arab initiative for this purpose and we will continue our contacts with Arab leaders,'' Bashir

told reporters.

Bozer, whose nation has sided with the West in imposing sanctions against its powerful Arab neighbor, was quoted by Amman radio as telling Hussein that he was visiting Jordan to stress ''Turkey's keenness'' for a diplomatic solution to the crisis.

After meeting Hussein, Bozer held talks with Crown Prince Hassan, who was sworn in as regent after the king departed for Libya, the radio said.

Meanwhile, Palestine Liberation Organization sources said PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat was expected to return to Amman late Sunday from Baghdad after a one-day visit for talks with Iraqi leaders.

PLO sources on Saturday said Hussein and Arafat were coordinating on seeking Arab support for a peace plan calling for a freeze in military movements and the deployment in Kuwait of a U.N. peacekeeping force as a buffer between Iraqi forces and contingents of the United States and other nations.

The sources said that under the plans, talks would be held under U.N. auspices on developing a timetable for a mutual withdrawal of all forces and the future form of government for Kuwait, whose ruling al-Sabah family was ousted in the Iraqi invasion.

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BOSTON (AUG. 26) UPI - An American who had been working in Kuwait and his 8-year-old son headed home Sunday after dodging bullets in a dramatic escape across the desert to Saudi Arabia, relatives said.

Bassam Mohtady, 34, and his son, Sammer, were expected to arrive at Logan International Airport Sunday afternoon, said Mohtady's wife, Kathleen, who lives in Saugus.

Mohtady, a U.S. national of Lebanese descent with relatives in Kuwait, had been living in Kuwait City, where he managed World Book Encyclopedia's office there, his wife said. Their son was visiting when Iraqi troops invaded the Persian Gulf state on Aug. 2.

The father and son remained in Kuwait for two weeks following the invasion but on Aug. 16 decided to set out across the desert.

''They were in a caravan of cars and went through the desert. They told me that there were 21 vehicles, and that out of the 21, only six of them made it. They were shot at, (bullets) shattered the windows of the jeep they were in,'' Kathleen Mohtady said.

''He told me there were 21 vehicles, but only six of them made it. I don't know what happened to the other people,'' she said.

The Mohtadys succeeded in crossing the border into Saudi Arabia and went to the U.S. Embassy in Riyadh, she said. From there, they were able to contact family members. Kathleen Mohtady later received a cable from the State Department saying her husband and son were safe in Dubai.

''I was thrilled to hear from them,'' she said. ''I'm glad that they're out of there, but my husband's family is still there and I think about them and all of the other people like them. It's their home, and they have no place else to go. It would be the same as if someone came and invaded here. I'd have nowhere else to go.''

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BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AUG. 26) UPI - Methane gas exploded in a coal mine in central Yugoslavia Sunday, and rescue workers said they believed all 186 miners working underground at the time were killed.

''There is no chance any of the trapped miners survived the explosion,'' the rescuers told national television.

Mine officials said the explosion occured at 1:30 a.m. at the Dobrinja lignite coal mine 120 miles southwest of Belgrade, Belgrade Radio said.

The explosion was the fourth large-scale accicident in a Yugoslavian coal mine since 1982.

The bodies of eight miners were brought out of the mine Sunday morning, the Yugoslavian news agency Tanjug reported. It was not immediately known at what depth the 178 remaining miners were trapped, Tanjug said.

The miners in Dobrinja had gone on strike on Aug. 6, but returned to work Friday.

Yugoslavia's last major mine disaster was in February 1989, when 90 miners were killed by fire in the Aleksinac brown coal mine, 130 miles southeast of Belgrade.

In 1982, 39 miners died after a methane explosion at Zenica in the republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina. In 1983, 35 died in an accident at Aleksinac in Serbia.

Yugoslavia's worst previous coal-mining accident occurred in 1965 when 128 died after an explosion at Kakanj in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

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(AUG. 23) UPI - DIGEST:

Auto Racing

Brazilian Ayrton Senna won the Belgian Formula One Grand Prix, leading from pole to flag in his McLaren Honda. Frenchman Alain Prost was second in a Ferrari, followed by Austrian Gerhard Berger in the second McLaren. The race had to be restarted twice because of first-lap accidents.

Baseball

Seoul, South Korea, became the first team to win three straight Pony League World Series titles when Dong Joo Kim hit a solo home run and pitched a four-hitter to pace a 4-2 win over Heartwell of Lakewood, Calif. Saturday in Washington, Pa. Kyle Hillis and Adre Camou homered for Heartwell, but second baseman Camou made an error that allowed two Seoul runs to score.

Cycling

Laurent Biondi of France, Australian Stephen McGlede and Italians Gianluca Capitano and Federico Paris claimed titles on the final day of the track competition at the World Cycling Championships at Maebashi, Japan. The Soviet Union tallied seven medals, including four victories, to lead the team competition. Australia claimed six medals and East Germany and Italy five medals each. The United States finished with three medals.

Football

Colorado, which last year claimed its first outright Big Eight football championship since 1961, was voted the 1990 preseason league favorite by the Big Eight Skywriters. With 21 of the 28 eligible Skywriters voting, the Buffaloes received 13 first-place votes.

Golf

Zimbabwe's Mark McNulty came from behind to win his third German Open golf title, capturing the $975,000 event by three strokes from defending champion Craig Parry of Australia. McNulty fired a 7-under-par 65 in the final round to finish with 270, while Parry placed second with 273 after shooting 70. Swede Anders Forsbrand, the leader for three rounds, shot 71 and tied for third with Irishman Eamonn Darcy at 274.

Hockey

Dave Peterson, who directed the U.S. Olympic ice hockey team to a seventh-place finish in the 1988 Calgary Winter Olympics, has been reappointed to coach the 1992 U.S. squad. Peterson, 59, becomes only the second coach to guide the U.S. Olympic hockey team in two successive Olympics. Murray Williamson coached the U.S. team in the 1968 and 1972 Games.

Marathon

American Lisa Weidenback, 28, won the women's Hokkaido Marathon at Sapporo Japan. Wedenback, winner of the 1990 Sapporo International Half-Marathon in July, broke away from the pack about one-quarter into the race and won in 2:31.29. Japanese Sachiko Yamashita was second in 2:35:41. Futoshi Shinohara of Japan won the men's race in 2:15:32, followed by Britain's Steve Jones in 2:16:10.

Motocross

American Wayne Rainey, riding a Yamaha, clinched the 500cc world title with victory in the Czechoslovak Motorcycle Grand Prix. Rainey clocked 47:50.847 over the 23-lap race in Brno, Czechoslovakia. He also ran the fastest lap in 2:3.718. Australian Wayne Gardner was second on a Honda followed by the Yamaha of American Eddie Lawson, last year's world champion.

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#90238u0409 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 26) UPI - The Pentagon announced Sunday the call-up of soliders from 50 more Army Reserve and Army National Guard units from across the nation to assist in Operation Desert Shield.

The Pentagon would not disclose specific numbers for the troops called up Sunday. President Bush has authorized the call-up of nearly 50,000 military reservists to help stem Iraqi aggression in the Middle East.

On Saturday, more than 100 naval reserve units were activated.

The Army units activated Sunday included troops to assist in medical, postal and administrative jobs as well as in transportation, security, intelligence combat support, communications, linguistics, water purification, maintenance and cargo handling.

In another development, the Pentagon said Sunday that Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, commander in chief of the United States Central Command, had established his command headquarters in Saudi Arabia. The overseas headquarters is designated as U.S. Central Command (Forward) while the

element still at Schwarzkopf's usual headquarters, MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Fla., will be known as the U.S. Central Command (Rear).

Also Sunday, parts of the Army's 13th Corps Support Command from Fort Hood Texas, were deploying in the Middle East as part of Operation Desert Shield.

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CROOKED RIVER RANCH, OR (AUG. 26) UPI - An undetermined number of contestants crossed the finish line in one huge, huge bunch in the fourth annual ''Short Fat Guys Road Race.''

''We ran out of entry forms, so I don't have any idea how many people were in it,'' said Bob Ward, senior steward of Saturday's race at Crooked River Ranch in central Oregon. ''I guess about 45, but how would I know?''

At any rate, there's never been a single winner of the race. The 1-mile course is all downhill and contestants may use any form of transportation they choose. Everybody crosses the finish line together.

''Running is discouraged and cheating is encouraged,'' Ward said.

The only rule is that an entrant's waistline must be at least 4 inches bigger than his pants inseam. And if it's not, he can enter anyway.

The highlight of the race was the mandatory pit stop at the halfway point, where entrants consumed beer and hot dogs.

''It was a good breakfast,'' Ward said.

The participants eventually crossed the finish line together, en masse, so to speak.

''It was the biggest race to date,'' Ward said. ''They finished in about 33 minutes,'' then converged on the Sandbagger Saloon for twinkies and more beer, he said.

''On to more glory,'' Ward said. ''We'll do it again next year, although I don't know how.''

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#90238u0427 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

FRENCH LICK, IN (AUG. 26) UPI - Rep. Frank McCloskey, D-Ind., a member of the House Armed Services Committee, said the support of Americans for President Bush's decision to send troops into Saudi Arabia may be eroding.

''Public perception is changing. I have been moving around the district the last several days, and I saw (that) there is increasing unease, caution, and quite frankly, open resentment about the United States being in this fix in the gulf,'' McCloskey told The Indianapolis Star Saturday.

McCloskey, who represents southern Indiana in Congress, will be among the congressmen who will meet with Bush Tuesday to discuss the situation in the Persian Gulf. He also serves on the House Foreign Relations Committee.

McCloskey said he supports Bush's diplomatic and military moves so far, but he said he hoped the presence of U.S. troops remains strictly defensive. He said the president had done an excellent job in lining up international support for the economic and trade sanctions against Iraq.

But McCloskey said the United States probably implicitly condoned Iraq's expansionist moves by not objecting to an earlier invasion of Iran. He said the threat of additional aggression by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had been anticipated and suggested to Bush by congressional sources.

''The House Foreign Affairs Committee has been raising the issue with Bush as to the ongoing menance of Saddam Hussein even before the invasion into Kuwait,'' he said. ''We haven't see much coopration from the administration.''

He said that should the United States be forced into combat and oust Saddam from Kuwait that the alternative was to return an Arab monarchy, a basic dictatorship, to power.

''I have visited with the royal Kuwaiti family. Their business is to move oil. There should be no sentiment or pretension that they are part of the free world. It is an Arab monarchy and hopefully we won't be in the position of having 19-year-old kids die for lower oil prices and Arab monarchists.''

McCloskey said his comments had nothing to do with politics and the fact he was a member of a Democratic congressional majority traditionally opposing a Republican president.

''What I am saying is not meant politically. We are not talking about Democratic and Republican politics,'' he said. ''We are talking about the lives of American youth. It is a policy issue, a moral issue and a life and death issue.''

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(AUG. 26) UPI - Austrian President Kurt Waldheim says he made NO deals

with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to win the release of 96 Austrian citizens. Waldheim met with Saddam yesterday in Iraq and secured the release of the Austrians. Today, in an interview with Austrian television aboard his plane headed for Vienna, Waldheim said Saddam expressed a willingness to find a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Rescue officials in Taiwan say an overloaded, UNlicensed pleasure boat chartered by the Shell Oil Company capsized at a lake resort last night and 55 people are feared dead. Officials say the boat turned over as it was making a sharp left turn. They say only 17 bodies had been recovered 18 hours after the accident. 33 of the 88 vacationers aboard managed to swim about 500 yards to shore.

Freed Irish hostage Brian Keenan arrived in Dublin last night and gave a victory salute as he stepped off an Irish government jet. Thousands turned out to welcome Keenan, who was released on Friday after being held more than four years by Moslem extremists in Lebanon. The English professor appeared to have lost some weight, and much of his northern Irish accent.

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(AUG. 26) UPI - A senior military official in Sri Lanka says security forces have taken control of a strategic island in the northern part of the country and are preparing to storm a rebel stronghold nearby. The official says troops hope to secure the area surrounding a 300-year-old Dutch fort where rebels have trapped about 200 soldiers and police for more than two months.

Salvadoran military sources say a ninth soldier was arrested in last November's killing of six Jesuit priests. The soldier fled a courtroom Friday during questioning, but was apprehended later. A court spokesman says the order to arrest the soldier came ''after he was caught giving false testimony and contradicted himself several times.''

NO one lost yesterday's fourth annual ''Short Fat Guys Road Race'' at the Crooked River Ranch in central Oregon. The one-mile course is all downhill and everyone crosses the finish line together. Race steward Bob Ward says- ''Running is discouraged and cheating is encouraged.'' The highlight of the race was the mandatory pit stop at the halfway point, where entrants consumed beer and hot dogs.

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(AUG. 26) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Football

Chicago - Waived safety Dave Duerson, linebackers Steve Hyche and Steve Thompson, fullback Bryan Bero, running back Brian Taylor, tackle Roman Matusz, center Bill Anderson, tight end Steve Fumi, defensive back James Lott, wide receivers Chris Roscoe and Henry Tuten, punter Kent Sullivan, and kicker Ray Tarasi.

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RIMINI, Italy (AUG. 26) UPI - Solidarity trade union leader Lech Walesa told an audience of Italians Sunday that creating a healthy market economy is the only way to put Poland on its feet economically.

Walesa, who is considering a run for the Polish presidency, was honored with an award worth the equivalent of $26,000 at the annual Friendship Meeting,sponsored by a Roman Catholic political organization.

The Solidarity founder, on the first day of a 48-hour visit to Italy, told a cheering audience of 10,000 that Italian economic help for the former East bloc country could create ''a business in which you (Italians) could gain a lot.''

Walesa, who will meet with Pope John Paul II Monday at the papal retreat at Castel Gandolfo south of Rome, has expressed interest at challenging former Communist leader and current President Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski in elections, possibly in the fall.

He called Sunday for splitting Solidarity into left and right wings to better cope with changing political and economic life in newly democratic Poland.

''We (Solidarity) are victorious, but many revolutionaries are ruined when they reach power,'' Walesa said at a news conference. ''The men in government today are fine, but after them could arrive people who are not as forthcoming.

''To guarantee against (the danger of) a monopoly, I propose a division between left and right.''

Walesa defended himself against charges voiced in Poland that he is applying pressure for elections which he believes he can win if the country makes voting compulsory.

''In the world, they say that I am trying to damage the government,'' Walesa said. ''But this is untrue because I only want to help democracy and the revolution.

''We need the government to govern so that there are parties which are able to participate in politics and help create a market economy. The means to gain this objective is a wise division.''

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(AUG. 26) UPI - A U-S Embassy official in Ankara confirms 55 U-S Embassy dependents are on their way to Iraq's border with Turkey... after being released from Baghdad. Duty Officer Carol Heileman says the group is traveling in a convoy of 13 vehicles over mountainous terrain in very hot weather. She says the journey will take from eight to 10 hours. She says ''about 54'' male personnel are still detained in Baghdad and adds U-S officials are working to secure their release as well.

Across the United States yesterday, families and friends said good-bye to their loved ones- military reservists called up to support American troops in Saudi Arabia. The Pentagon says about 10-thousand men and women will be activated by the end of the month. Among the reservists being called up- specialists in international law, the Arabic language and chemical decontamination.

OPEC oil ministers are to meet in Vienna today to discuss raising production levels to make up for shortages brought on by the U-N embargo against Iraq. The increased output would help calm world markets. Analysts say the oil cartel is sure to face a mutiny if it does NOT raise production levels soon. Saudi Arabia and Venezuela favor an increase, while a majority of the cartel does NOT.

Former Irish hostage Brian Keenan arrived in Dublin last night after more than four years of captivity in Lebanon. Keenan appeared pale and dazed, but expressed his joy at being back home. Quoting now- ''It is an understatement to say that I am happy to be home. It's where the heart is.'' The 39-year-old English professor was freed Friday by his Moslem kidnappers in Lebanon.

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(AUG. 26) UPI - An official at the U-S Embassy in Turkey says Iraq is allowing 55 U-S Embassy dependents detained in Baghdad to flee the country. The Americans are part of a group of diplomatic personnel and dependents who left the U-S Embassy in occupied Kuwait last week. They were allowed to leave Baghdad last night and are traveling to Iraq's border with Turkey in a convoy of 13 vehicles. The 55 are believed to be mostly women and children.

The U-S spokeswoman in Turkey says the convoy is moving through very hot

and mountainous terrain and that the drive would take about eight to 10 hours. The release of the 55 dependents leaves about 54 male personnel from the U-S Embassy in Kuwait still detained in Baghdad. The spokeswoman says she has NO idea when they might be released.

News reports from Yugoslavia say methane gas exploded in a coal mine in central Yugoslavia today, killing at least eight miners and trapping about 178 underground. Belgrade Radio reports say the explosion occurred at a coal mine 120 miles southwest of Belgrade. The explosion was the fourth large-scale accicident in a Yugoslavian coal mine since 1982.

Rescue officials say an overloaded and unlicensed pleasure boat chartered by Shell Oil and carrying 88 vacationers capsized at a lake resort in Taiwan last night. Officials fear 55 of the people were killed, while 33 managed to swim about 500 yards to shore. The triple-decker boat was authorized to carry 60 people. Only 17 bodies had been recovered 18 hours after the accident at the popular resort.

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#90238u0675 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - Freed hostage Brian Keenan... looking a ghost of his former self... was greeted by thousands in Dublin last night as he returned to Ireland after one-thousand-574 days of captivity in Lebanon. The English teacher and Belfast native clasped both hands above his head in a victory salute before the cheering crowd. Keenan was released Friday by his pro-Iranian Moslem kidnappers in Beirut.

New York City police say a man riding a motorcycle on a Bronx street was knocked off his cycle by a hit-and-run driver and killed... and his bike was stolen as he lay dead. Witnesses told police that a black car sped away from the scene after the man was hit, and police say his motorcycle was stolen before they arrived and found him dead.

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#90238u0722 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - There's some good news from the Persian Gulf today. Iraq allowed 55 U-S Embassy dependents who were detained in Baghdad to flee. U-S officials in Turkey say the Americans are in a convoy of 13 vehicles en route to Iraq's border with Turkey. Most of the Americans are believed to be women and children.

On a more somber note, Iraq says it may charge people who shelter foreigners with the crime of espionage. The official Iraqi news agency says the punishment would be execution for Iraqis or Kuwaitis who commit ''such a crime.'' It's seen as a possible signal of Iraq's resolve to round up Westerners.

OPEC oil ministers are meeting in emergency session in Vienna to consider a temporary increase in oil output. Saudi Arabia and Venezuela want to raise their production... to make up for lost output resulting from the U-N embargo against Iraq. Delegations from eight of the cartel's 13 member nations are in Vienna now.

South African paratroopers and police conducted a sweep through black townships near Johannesburg today... searching homes and seizing makeshift weapons. The sweep is part of emergency measures aimed at quelling black-on-black violence that has killed at least 515 people since August 13th.

The president of the West African nation of Gambia says he'll start a new round of talks tomorrow to negotiate a possible cease-fire in the Liberian civil war. But he's NOT sure all the factions will take part. Representatives of rebel leader Charles Taylor walked out of negotiations last week.

El Salvador faces the threat of a possible new rebel offensive sometime this fall... following peace talks last week that failed to produce any agreement. A Costa Rica-based Western diplomat says preparations for such a move are under way... and a rebel leader acknowledges his group is preparing for an offensive.

The dropout rate among freshmen at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, was relatively high this summer- about four-point-five percent. That despite a ''kinder, gentler'' orientation program aimed at improving conditions for plebes and guaranteeing equal treatment for women and minorities.

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#90238u0762 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	69	57	.548	-	39-21	30-36	6-4	W-3
Toronto	66	62	.516	4	33-32	33-30	4-6	L-3
Baltimore	59	66	.472	9 1/2	28-30	31-36	3-7	L-2
Cleveland	59	67	.468	10	32-29	27-38	5-5	W-2
Detroit	59	68	.465	10 1/2	31-35	28-34	5-5	W-1
Milwaukee	58	68	.460	11	28-34	30-34	7-3	L-1
New York	53	73	.421	16	30-32	23-41	7-3	W-1
West								
Oakland	79	47	.627	-	40-22	39-25	5-5	L-1
Chicago	73	52	.584	5 1/2	38-29	35-23	6-4	L-2

Texas	65	61	.516	14	36-28	29-33	6-4	L-1
Kansas City	64	63	.504	15 1/2	39-29	25-34	7-3	W-1
California	63	65	.492	17	32-30	31-35	5-5	W-2
Seattle	62	66	.484	18	32-33	30-33	2-8	L-1
Minnesota	56	70	.444	23	29-33	27-37	1-9	W-1

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#90238u0767 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 27) UPI - Retail gasoline prices rose an average of a nickel a gallon over the last two weeks, but the rate of increase was half that of the period immediately after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, an industry analyst said Sunday.

In a survey Friday of some 13,000 retail gasoline outlets nationwide, the weighted average price per gallon was 133.16 cents, up 5.22 cents from the last survey on Aug. 10, said Trilby Lundberg, director of the Lundberg Survey.

In the same two-week period, wholesale gasoline prices rose at a faster rate, cutting retailers' profits by about 4 cents a gallon, Lundberg said.

''Wholesale prices increased more than 9 cents in that period, but retailers chose not to pass all of that through,'' she said. ''In general, they actually lost about 4 cents of their operating margin, which means many of them will need to try to get that back.''

As a result, she said, ''There is upward price pressure at this time.''

Lundberg said pump prices in the coming weeks will depend on forces in both directions.

Additional price increases could result if retailers try to recoup the profit shortfall of the last two weeks and if the highly speculative spot gasoline market climbs.

On the other hand, prices could be pulled down in early September by the traditional drop in demand following the peak driving months of July and August, Lundberg said.

''We use a lot less gasoline after August. If crude oil prices allow, there would be downward price pressure at this time of year,'' she said.

However, Lundberg said, retailers cannot be expected to continue taking drastically reduced profits.

''Even a penny can endanger a station over time,'' she said.

As of Aug. 24, the average price per gallon for self-service unleaded, the most popular type of gasoline, was 121.59. At other self-service pumps, premium unleaded cost 138.47 and regular unleaded 123.72.

At the full service islands, regular unleaded sold for 144.62 cents a gallon. Premium unleaded sold for 158.29 and regular leaded for 145.52.

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#90238u0782 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

MAHWAH, NJ (AUG. 26) UPI - Steffi Graf, in her final tuneup before defending her U.S. Open title this week, was stretched to three sets and nearly two hours before turning back 14-year-old Jennifer Capriati, 6-3, 5-7, 6-4, Sunday in the final of the $160,000 Pathmark Tennis Classic at Ramapo College.

Graf, her famed forehand erratic, won her third straight tournament title and fourth in the last five years. The world's No. 1 player took home $30,000, and Capriati, the third seed, earned $20,000.

Capriati, a pro for only six months, made a big improvement over her first match against Graf - a 6-2, 6-4 loss in the fourth round at Wimbledon.

''I wasn't too happy about playing a third set,'' said Graf, who failed to convert on a match point in the ninth game of the second set. ''My forehand was awful and I went for my shots too quickly. I wasn't too patient.''

The Pathmark Classic is a special event and not a regular circuit tournament. ''I played it like an exhibition and people take the result too seriously, too tense,'' Graf said.

Capriati, the 13th seed at the Open, is slated to play Graf in the fourth round, barring upsets. ''I feel psyched for the Open now and have a lot of confidence,'' said the teenager, the favorite of a sellout crowd of 5,112. ''I almost had her.

''I came to win and don't care if it was an exhibition,'' she said. ''I was playing for me, for my pride.''

Capriati finally held in the ninth after Graf missed a forehand at match point and then overhit on successive service returns. A forehand topspin passing shot gave Capriati a service break in the 10th game for a 5-5 tie.

Graf had a break point in the 11th but misfired on a forehand. The West German was broken in the 12th, managing only one point, which came on one of her nine aces.

''When it gets to a third set, it could go either way,'' Graf said. She broke in the opening game and nursed the lead to 4-2 before Capriati caught up on a break in the eighth when Graf doublefaulted.

But Capriati tired in the final two games, winning only one point in the ninth and 10th games. Graf, effective throughout the match with drop shots used one on her second match point. Capriati caught up with the dying ball but her forehand clipped the cord and shot wide for the match.

''I hope that winning here is a good omen for the Open,'' said Graf, who has followed her successes here with triumphs in Flushing Meadow in 1988 and 1989.

Graf, a two-time winner at the U.S. Open, opens her drive for the final Grand Slam title of the year in the third stadium match Monday, facing qualifier Maureen Drake of Canada. Capriati, who won the U.S. Open juniors last year, makes her Open debut Tuesday against Anke Huber, a 15-year-old West German.

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#90238u0793 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	74	53	.583	-	37-27	37-26	6-4	L-3
New York	70	55	.560	3	40-22	30-33	4-6	L-2
Montreal	66	60	.524	7 1/2	35-24	31-36	4-6	W-2
Chicago	60	66	.476	13 1/2	31-32	29-34	4-6	L-1
Philadel.	59	66	.472	14	29-28	30-38	4-6	W-1
St. Louis	58	69	.457	16	30-38	28-31	4-6	L-2
West								
Cincinnati	73	53	.579	-	37-25	36-28	5-5	W-3
Los Angeles	67	60	.528	6 1/2	39-27	28-33	7-3	W-2
San Fran.	66	61	.520	7 1/2	36-28	30-33	6-4	L-1
San Diego	59	66	.472	13 1/2	32-35	27-31	5-5	L-2
Houston	57	71	.445	17	37-26	20-45	5-5	W-2
Atlanta	49	78	.386	24 1/2	27-36	22-42	5-5	W-1

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#90238u0864 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - Egypt's foreign minister says Kuwait ''sooner or later'' will free itself from Iraqi occupation, but he says he hopes that will come about through peaceful means. The foreign minister also says Egypt fully supports U-N resolutions calling for stricter enforcement of

sanctions against Iraq because of its invasion of Kuwait. He made the comments today before leaving Cairo for Moscow... for talks on the Persian Gulf crisis.

In Italy, Pope John Paul today issued another appeal for a peaceful solution to the crisis in the Persian Gulf. He called for prayers for what he termed ''the truly worrying situation'' in the region. He also made a special plea that thousands of trapped Westerners be allowed to leave Iraq and Kuwait. John Paul's speech to pilgrims gathered at the papal summer residence marked his second such appeal in five days.

NASA is getting ready to resume shuttle flights this week. The shuttle Columbia is tentatively set for launch Saturday on a long-delayed astronomy mission. It's carrying a battery of telescopes built to study ultraviolet light from stars and galaxies that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere. If the launch goes as planned, it will be the first in four months. A hydrogen leak delayed Columbia's mission last May.

Tropical Storm Gustav strengthened into a hurricane today, with 75-mile-an-hour winds threatening the northeast Caribbean. A hurricane watch was issued for islands in the extreme northeastern Caribbean, and forecasters said a hurricane warning probably would be issued by tomorrow. At last report, Gustav was 320 miles east-southeast of the French island of Guadeloupe, moving west at near 13 miles-an-hour.

A-B-C's Chicago station W-L-S T-V is back on the air today... following nearly nine hours of dead air caused by the search for a gunman who slipped into the station's building. Police say the gunman, suspected in the robbery of a pizzeria, was running from police when he slipped into the W-L-S building. After three searches, authorities said the gunman apparently had escaped. The station was evacuated just before last night's newscast.

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#90238u0883 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

WILLIAMSPORT, PA (AUG. 26) UPI - Taiwan Little League Manager Tzyy-Tsann Wang describes baseball as a ''very beautiful art,'' and the picture his pitcher painted Sunday proved his point.

Chao-Chi Sun fired a two-hitter, striking out 16 and walking only one in giving his country its 14th World Series' title in 17 tries with a 9-0 victory over East titlist Shippensburgh, Pa..

Far East representatives have captured 19 series championships in 27 trips here.

Sun fanned the first eight batters he faced before giving up a walk. Gregg

Mellott ended Sun's no-hit bid with a two-out swinging bunt single in the third. The only other hit off the right-hander was a two-out single by Dave Orndorff in the sixth.

Wang called Sun's performance ''really superb.''

''He's probably had the best curve ball we've seen yet,'' said Shippensburgh Manager Glen Orndorff.

''He threw his best ball for strikes, and he caught our kids off guard a lot with his curve ball. We were swinging at some bad pitches and he had us going. We had the kids move up in the box, then he's throw the fastball past us.''

Through three innings Shippensburg pitcher Bob Shannon held the Far East in check with an overpowering fastball that was clocked at 74mph. Wang said his players were swinging for the fences, but when he told them to choke up on the bat it helped.

To prove the point, Tainan County scored four runs in the fourth and fifth innings.

''I think most of it was mental. A boy that big (5-foot-7, 165 pounds), he hasn't had a sore arm all the way through,'' Orndorff said of Shannon. ''The heat and everything might have gotten to him a little bit.''

Orndorff admitted his players had a letdown following Saturday's emotionally-draining win in the American Championship. Shippensburg scored a 5-4 come-from-behind win over West champs Cypruss, Calif., in that game.

''They came back. They were really to play today. We just got beat,'' Orndorff explained.

Added East coach Gregg Mellott of the Far East, which rapped out nine hits and took adantage of five U.S. errors, ''They were just hitters. They're a hitting team.''

Orndorff said he feels people in Shippensburg will help his players wind down and resume their normal lives before too long.

''Our town's not a town that keeps the hoopla going. They let kids be kids. They are down to earth. They will treat them like kids. Kids are kids.''

Tainan County finished All Star play for boys 11- and 12-years-old with a 15-0 record. Shippensburg was 17-1.

During the rain-plagued World Series, in which the final game was pushed

back one day, Tainan County outscored its three opponents 43-1. The only run it gave up was to Canadian titlist Trail, B.C., in a 20-1 win in the foreign bracket final Saturday.

Sun-Hsuan Yang finished as the leading hitter for the Far East, going 7-for-8, while Hsieh was the most productive with 11 RBI. After going 7-for-9 with all of his RBI through two games, Yih-Chieh Hsieh was 0-for-2 but scored two runs Sunday.

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#90238u0944 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - A U-S Embassy official says Iraq gave the go-ahead today for 55 Americans... mostly females and children... to leave Baghdad for Turkey. But 54 male embassy workers still remain detained in the Iraqi capital. There also are reports that Iraqi authorities have rounded up more British and Japanese nationals and taken them to unknown locations.

British Prime Minister Thatcher today rejected Iraqi overtures for negotiations on the Persian Gulf crisis. Thatcher told the B-B-C in London Iraq first must withdraw its troops from Kuwait. She dismissed Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as a ''tyrant'' who must be stopped.

NASA is ready to end a four-month drought of shuttle flights with the launch of the Columbia Saturday. The shuttle program has been grounded because of fuel leaks... but officials say Columbia has been repaired. Astronauts will alternate 12-hour shifts to collect as much data as possible during the mission.

The winds of Tropical Storm Gustav hit 75 miles an hour today... boosting the storm to hurricane strength. Hurricane watches were issued in the northeastern Caribbean... including Barbados and Martinique. Gustav was located some 320 miles east-southeast of the French island of Guadeloupe.

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#90238u0947 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - Authorities say a methane gas explosion in a coal mine in central Yugoslavia today killed 186 miners. Rescue workers say there is NO chance any of those trapped survived. The miners had just returned to work Friday after a strike. This is the fourth serious accident in a Yugoslavian coal mine since 1982.

The field of the fourth annual ''Short Fat Guys Road Race'' crossed the finish line en masse today at Crooked Rover Ranch in Oregon. The one-mile course is all downhill... with a pit stop half way for beer and hot dogs. The director of the race says ''running is discouraged and cheating is encouraged.''

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#90238u1165 08/26/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 26) UPI - Jordanian state radio says that country's King Hussein headed to Libya today to- quote- ''end the gulf crisis by peaceful means and within the Arab fold.'' The radio reported Hussein had several unidentified destinations to speak with Arab leaders to resolve the Middle East standoff.

Prior to departing for Tripoli, Hussein met with the Turkish foreign minister. Turkey has sided with the West since Iraqi forces rolled into Kuwait three-and-a-half weeks ago. But the Turkish official told Jordanian radio he traveled to Amman to express his country's desire for a negotiated end to the crisis.

British Prime Minister Thatcher says an armed conflict is NOT inevitable in the Persian Gulf. But she did express doubt as to whether it's possible to negotiate with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. According to Thatcher, Saddam is- in her words- ''a despot and a tyrant who must be stopped.''

Soldiers scoured homes in three South African townships today... confiscating weapons that could have been used in a continuing tribal war. The sweep is part of an emergency measure begun Friday to give authorities almost unlimited search and detention powers. Officials of the rival factions toured a number of the townships to urge peace among their followers.

A doctor in Dublin says the Irishman just released from captivity in Lebanon asked NOT to be released without his British fellow captive. The doctor of Brian Keenan said that Keenan argued with his captors to let him stay with John McCarthy. But the captors took him away and released him Friday... in good condition but malnourished.

Officials say there are NO survivors following a disaster in a coal mine in central Yugoslavia. Rescue workers believe all 186 miners working underground were killed by a methane gas explosion. Three previous mining catastrophes in Yugoslavia since 1982 have claimed 164 lives.

A new poll shows Americans are growing dissatisfied with President Bush's handling of the savings and loan crisis. But the president's overall approval rating has NOT gone down. The poll out today finds people blame the thrift failures on the Republicans more than Democrats by a two-to-one margin.

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#90238u1365 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - The Soviet Union announced today that it will NOT join the naval blockade of Iraq. Moscow previously indicated it would join a naval blockade if the U-N sanctioned one. But Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said in Moscow that the Soviets remain in support of yesterday's resolution allowing use of force in the region. Moscow is also ready to give the U-N information about the weapons it has sold Iraq.

The American embassy in Ankara, Turkey, says 55 U-S citizens allowed to leave Baghdad earlier today have NOT yet crossed the Turkish border. The Americans... most of them wives and children of U-S diplomats from Kuwait... left the Iraqi capital before dawn Sunday. Iraq, however, refused to allow another 55 male embassy workers to leave the Persian Gulf nation.

The family of a man caught in Kuwait say he escaped with his eight-year-old son by driving a jeep through gunfire to Saudi Arabia. Bassam Motahdy was working in Kuwait City and his son was visiting when Iraq invaded August 2nd. Motahdy says he didN'T get any useful advice from the U-S Embassy... so he took off for the border with 21 other cars. They were fired upon and only six of the vehicles made it.

Solidarity leader Lech Walesa told Italians today that a market economy is the only way Poland can get moving economically. In Rimini, Italy, to start a two-day visit... Walesa also called for splitting Solidarity into left and right wings to prevent a monopoly in government. Walesa was given an award worth 26-thousand dollars from a Roman Catholic political organization. He is considering a run for the Polish presidency.

-30- 1808

#90238u1367 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - Witnesses say about one thousand demonstrators marched today to Nepal's royal palace in a show of sympathy for their queen three days after her car was stoned. Most of the demonstrators in Katmandu were women carrying bouqets. Earlier this year... King Birendra responded to violent pro-democracy demonstrations by abandoning his absolute monarchy in favor of a multi-party system.

The president of Gambia today said he will start a fresh round of talks in his capital of Banju tomorrow aimed at a cease-fire in the Liberian civil war. But representatives of rebel leader Charles Taylor walked out of negotiations last week... and may NOT attend the new talks. Taylor had proposed a 10-day cease-fire. But his plan was rejected... in part because it required Liberian President Samuel Doe to leave the country.

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#90238u1460 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - Winds gusts estimated at near 100 miles-an-hour whipped southern Wisconsin today... pulling down trees and power lines. Gusts of about 60 miles-an-hour hit South Dakota and Minnesota. Parts of the region also felt high temperatures. The National Weather Service posted heat advisories over much of the Plains and Mississippi Valley, while an air-stagnation advisory was issued for parts of the Virginias.

Alaskan voters decide Tuesday whether to legalize gambling and which candidates they want for governor. The primary election involves the issue of protecting the wild Alaska landscape versus promoting economic development... especially oil drilling. Incumbent Governor Steve Cowper is stepping down... and the top contenders are former Anchorage Mayor Tony Knowles and Lieutenant Governor Stephen McAlpine... both Democrats.

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#90238u1596 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - U-N Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar has arranged to meet Iraq's foreign minister Thursday in Jordan. A U-N spokeswoman says the session will deal with the ''critical situation'' in Iraq and Kuwait.

Other efforts to resolve the tense stand-off occurred as Egypt's foreign minister traveled to Moscow. Jordanian radio reported that King Hussein kicked off a tour of Arab capitals by visiting Libya.

Hussein's effort is reported to be based on convincing Arab nations to ease the crisis in their own regions. The radio report says Hussein is pushing an initiative that would bring U-N peacekeeping forces to Kuwait and bring about the withdrawal of foreign powers from the area.

Moscow today declared that its forces will NOT be included in the naval blockade against Iraq. Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze says Moscow supports the newly passed U-N resolution allowing limited force to enforce the embargo, but says Moscow has decided NOT to take part in such operations.

South African security forces swept through the most strife-ridden black townships today in an effort to stamp out intra-tribal violence. Authorities used newly imposed emergency measures to search homes and confiscate anything resembling a weapon.

Hurricane Gustav picked up strength through the afternoon and now has winds near 80 miles an hour. Gustav was located about 300 miles east-southeast of the Caribbean island of Guadeloupe with a west-northwest motion.

A published report today says the nation's most dangerous urban area is

deep in the hart of Texas. The report says Dallas holds the dubious distinction when various crime categories are combined.

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#90238u1599 08/26/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 26) UPI - The physician treating Irish educator Brian Keenan says Keenan was reluctant to end his more than four-year captivity if it meant leaving behind fellow hostage John McCarthy. Dr. Sean Blake says Keenan argued with his captors to free McCarthy when he realized he was being released.

Talks are scheduled for tomorrow in Gambia to discuss Liberia's bloody civil war. But it is NOT clear if the session will attract the rebel faction led by Charles Taylor. Gambia's president says Taylor will only agree to a cease-fire if all his demands are met.

Solidarity leader Lech Walesa arrived in Italy today for a two-day visit. Walesa told a crowd of some 10-thousand supporters that Poland's economic survival depends on developing a healthy market economy.

Eight Bangladeshi opposition parties joined today to call upon the nation's president to step down and clear the way for free elections. The coalition wants an interim government to assume control and ensure a fair vote.

A Wisconsin man edged out the rest of the pack to pick up the title at the World's Toughest Triathlon at Lake Tahoe this weekend. David Cihasky won his second straight championship. He who swam two miles, rode 100 miles on a bicycle and ran 18-point-six miles in under eight-and-a-half hours.

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#90238u1666 08/26/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 26) UPI - Iraq allowed 55 Americans to leave Baghdad for Turkey today. A U-S official says a convoy of cars carrying the Americans crossed the border from Iraq into Turkey at 2 a-m Monday. Most of the Americans are wives and children of American diplomats stationed in Kuwait.

52 of the 55 were allowed into Turkey, but three young male dependents of the diplomats were NOT allowed by Iraqi officials to cross the border. It was not clear why the three young men were NOT allowed into Turkey.

The 52 were met by a party from the U-S Embassy in Ankara . They were going to rest in Turkey and plans are under way for the journey home.

A Turkish Interior Ministry employee said the Americans ''looked very, very happy.''

About 54 male Kuwait Embassy personnel were NOT allowed to leave Baghdad.

Analysts say the crisis in the Middle East is causing economic shock waves throughout the world... especially in Jordan, India, and Ireland. Analysts say Jordan stands to lose more than three-BILLION dollars in the coming year if it does NO trade with Iraq. India will also be hard hit because the embargo cuts 40 percent of that country's oil imports. The sanctions have hurt the Irish beef industry, which has lost 76-Million dollars in trade with Iraq so far.

The body of the second U-S serviceman killed in the deployment to the Persian Gulf was returned home today for burial. The Navy said Petty Officer 3rd Class Daniel Jones was electrocuted Tuesday while performing routine maintenance. A plane bearing the sailor's body arrived in Boston tonight and was received by his family. Jones' father described him as a patriotic young man who aspired to be an architect or engineer.

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#90238u1669 08/26/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 26) UPI - The president of Gambia today said he will try again for a cease-fire in the Liberian civil war. President Dawda Jawara will hold talks in the Gambian capital of Banjul tomorrow... even though rebel leader Charles Taylor may NOT attend. Taylor walked out of negotiations last week when his cease-fire plan was rejected. Jawara says the rebels demanded peace exclusively on their own terms.

An Irish hostage in Lebanon tried to turn down his chance for freedom after four years of captivity when he learned that his fellow hostage would NOT also be released. The doctor of Irishman Brian Keenan says Keenan did NOT want to leave without hostage John McCarthy. His captors forced Keenan out alone. Keenan was released this week after intense lobbying by Irish diplomats.

A published report says Kitty Dukakis drank hair spray, after-shave, and other household products to induce what she termed ''oblivion'' and fight depression before seeking treatment earlier this year. Today's report quotes the wife of 1988 Democratic presidential candidate Michael Dukakis as writing she is a manic depressive. A book penned by the Massachusetts first lady is due out this week.

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#90239b0006 08/27/1990 ~Business Wire

DAYTON, OHIO (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. has unveiled the high performance Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) laser printer, that delivers 15 pages per minute.

Compared to other printer interfaces, the SCSI is designed to operate up to seven times faster than a standard parallel port and 100 times faster than RS 232 serial port, according to NCR.

The industry standard SCSI interface was developed and pioneered by NCR and allows for the connection of disks, tapes, printers and scanners through the sharing of a common high-speed input/output (I/O) channel.

The new NCR 6436-0301 SCSI Laser Printer, designed for graphics-intensive applications where high speed and performance are required, is one of the first SCSI printers, NCR said. It is targeted for the personal computer market for use in office printing or network environments.

The NCR 6436-0301 SCSI Laser Printer is now available and has a suggested list price of $7,995.

''The unit's high speed I/O and printing performance are accomplished through the connection of a SCSI interface between the host and the printer,'' said Cliff Dullea, general manager, NCR Peripheral Products Division. ''This differentiates this printer from other laser printers which use conventional interfaces, such as parallel or serial.''

Data transfer over the SCSI connection is so fast that NCR's SCSI printer runs a one-megabyte bit-mapped graphics file at 300 dots per inch (dpi), up to seven times faster than the conventional parallel interface.

NCR Corp., based in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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MILWAUKEE/ELKHART, IND. (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Excel Industries Inc. (ASE:EXC) today said that it has agreed to purchase the assets of the Door Systems division of Milwaukee-based Johnson Controls Inc. (NYSE:JCI) for an undisclosed amount of cash.

The transaction is to close Oct. 1, 1990.

James J. Lohman, chief executive of Excel, said that Door Systems is the leading independent supplier of window regulator systems for the automotive market. ''Door Systems is the only independent manufacturer

of all three types of regulators marketed today,'' Lohman said, ''and its acquisition strongly positions Excel in the roll-up glass area.'' He added that Excel has worked closely with Door Systems in the past two years in developing a modular door cartridge.

''The door cartridge we have jointly developed utilizes all internal functions of side-window roll-up glass in a module that can be assembled into the sheet metal door,'' Lohman said. ''We expect this type of product will be used in vehicles introduced in the second half of the '90s. If it is successful, we believe that it represents a potential for more business than the fixed RIM modular windows we introduced in the mid-1980s.'' RIM window modules have added more than $350,000,000 of sales for Excel since 1985.

Door Systems currently makes window regulator systems for domestic OEM automakers. Its systems are used on many vehicle programs for which Excel also supplies conventional or modular windows. Among these are Ford's Escort, Taurus and Explorer, Chrysler's Shadow and Sundance, and General Motor's G-Van and Blazer vehicles.

Johnson Controls Inc. is a leader in facility management and control systems, automotive seating, batteries and plastics. The Door Systems division and the operation in Pikeville were acquired by Johnson Controls as part of its purchase of Ferro Manufacturing Corp. in 1985. Johnson Controls said that the sale reflects the company's determination that its focus on automotive seating and related interior systems did not require participation in door systems technology.

Excel Industries is the leading independent supplier of window systems for the automotive and ground transportation industries in North America. Known for its engineering expertise and innovation, the 62-year-old company designs, manufactures and markets products for passenger cars, trucks, buses, military vehicles and recreational vehicles.

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PITTSBURG, KS (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - National Pizza Co. announced Monday it has adopted a stock repurchase plan under which the company may purchase from time to time up to 1 million shares of its common stock in unsolicited open market or private transactions.

The company may increase the amount of shares subject to the repurchase plan. All stock repurchase will be at market prices. The repurchased shares will be held as treasury stock pending reissuance upon exercise of options granted under the company's stock option plans. If purchased, these shares would represent approximately 7.1 percent of the more than 13,844,113 shares presently outstanding.

"We believe at recent price levels our common stock represents an excellent investment," said Gene Bicknell, chief executive officer. "The purchases," he added, "will not affect National Pizza's capital expenditures program or its ability to acquire additional units."

National Pizza Co. is the largest publicly held Pizza Hut franchisee and currently operates 360 units in 13 states. It also operates and franchises 204 Skipper's quick service seafood restaurants in 12 western states and British Columbia.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Precision Image announced at the National Computer Graphics Mapping Show Monday the TM1110 monochrome thermal plotter for D-size plotting applications.

The new product joins the company's fast-growing line of precision plotters, representing the third new product introduction for the company in as many months.

The TM1110 is the first plotter based on thermal technology in Precision Image's product line of eight color and monochrome electrostatic plotters. The new thermal plotter extends Precision Image's product line into the fast-growing market segment of price-sensitive plotter buyers.

In addition to competitive price and performance, thermal plotters operate quietly; eliminate pen changing; reduce the need for toner replacement ink or lead refilling; and eliminate all the costs of downtime to conduct such maintenance. All are drawbacks to today's conventional pen plotters.

Highlights of the TM1110 include 406 dots per inch, giving the user high-resolution, presentation-quality drawings, a 32-bit microprocessor and special drawing processors for quick throughput, limiting waiting time for plots; choice of five interface configurations with most personal computer or workstation networks available and a unique single head-making operation simple and reliable.

The TM1110 conveniently handles three types of media: thermal transfer

paper, thermal paper, and clear thermal film. Product design offers low running and maintenance costs in a compact and streamlined design for maximum space savings.

Precision Image electrostatic plotters are well known for their use of proprietary drum-based technology to eliminate the media shrinkage, stretching, and poor color registration normally associated with roll-fed web plotters. The material is held tightly in place on the drum by a vacuum seal, preventing the shrinkage and stretching caused by humidity or tension changes.

Founded in 1985, Precision Image is a technology-leading manufacturer of large-format E-size and D-size color and monochrome electrostatic plotters. With headquarters in Redwood City, Calif., the company has an extensive installed base of customers in the United States, Canada, Europe the Pacific Rim and Australia. Precision Image has sales and service offices worldwide.

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RICHARDSON, TX (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - CompuTrac Inc. (AMEX:LLB) Monday announced a 50 percent decrease in operating revenues resulting in a net loss of $144,600 for the second quarter ending July, 1990.

Quarterly operating revenues were $2,265,788, compared with $4,501,206 in the prior year's second quarter. The operating loss totaled $131,060 in the quarter compared with operating income of $1,007,456 in the comparable prior period.

Subject to the company's write-down of its equity investment in Hewlett-Packard stock by approximately $185,000, the pre-tax loss closed at $245,601, down from pre-tax earnings of $1,030,739.

After recognition of a tax benefit of $101,000 for income taxes in the current quarter, the net loss was $144,601, or 2 cents a share, compared with net income of $690,739, or 12 cents a share in the comparable prior quarter after income taxes at a 33 percent rate. They were 5,885,700 weighted average primary shares outstanding vs. 5,947,235 in the prior quarter.

For the six-months, operating revenues declined 46 percent to $4,287,099

from $7,979,076 in the prior year's comparable period. The pre-tax loss was $490,434 vs. pre-tax earnings of $1,807,389. Subject to the tax benefit of $101,000 during the period, the net loss was $389,434 or 7 cents a share compared with net income of $1,211,389 or 20 cents a share in the prior period.

CompuTrac Inc. develops, markets, services and supports integrated turnkey computer systems designed specifically for the legal profession and information retrieval systems for general corporate use.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Molecular Biosystems Inc. (NYSE:MB) Monday announced that it has concluded an exclusive license agreement with a major research university for a family of novel magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) contrast agents.

The company plans to evaluate, test and develop this class of compounds intended to localize specifically in the liver, gall bladder and small intestine, which are all common targets of current diagnostic imaging using various radiologic methods. MBI estimates that over 1.5 million hepatobiliary studies and 2.5 million upper intestinal studies are done each year in the United States at a cost of over $3 billion.

Current estimates indicate that the market for MRI contrast agents for these applications could be in excess of $100 million worldwide.

MRI is a widely employed medical imaging modality that utilizes magnetism and radio waves to create pictures of internal anatomy. MRI is especially useful in brain and spine imaging, where two approved contrast agents currently account for revenues of about $100 million worldwide. Total MRI exam volume in the United States is about 2.5 million.

Abdominal imaging with MRI has been limited due, in part, to resolution limitations inherent in the technology as well as having imaging agents capable of being directed to specific sites. The technology obtained by MBI may offer a means of overcoming these limitations.

The resulting availability of safe and effective contrast agents useful for imaging organs in the abdomen and gastrointestinal system could significantly expand the utilization of both MRI and related contrast agents.

Molecular Biosystems Inc., located in San Diego, is a leading biomedical

firm developing proprietary medical products that diagnose human disease, including Albunex, an injectable contrast agent for use in ultrasound imaging. In addition, it is a leading developer of direct, non-radioactively labeled genetic probe products.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - VLSI Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:VLSI) has announced that its militarized ''TOPCAT'' (Three-chip Optimized PC/AT) 386DX PC/AT-compatible chip set, VM82C106 PC/AT-compatible Combo I/O chip, and VM82C037 Video Graphics Controller will be incorporated in a U.S. Navy AN/USQ-69B Data Terminal Set designed and built by the Defense Systems Unit of Unisys Corp.

This is the first ruggedized application of the VLSI three-chip TOPCAT 386DX chip set.

Unveiled in spring 1990 at the Navy Sea-Air-Space Exposition in Washington the AN/USQ-69B Data Terminal Set provides PC/AT-compatibility in a MIL-E-16400 qualified unit.

It is the only full military specification unit capable of using PC/AT-compatible software and operating under an MS-DOS operating system. Its unique combination of military standards and commercial utility offers computer designers a new tool for integrating rapidly advancing technology into military information processing systems.

Unisys Corp. is a $10 billion information systems company with more than 80,000 employees and 60,000 customers in more than 100 countries. The company is a leading manufacturer of commercial information systems, defense systems and related services.

The Defense Systems Unit of Unisys Corp., with headquarters in McLean, Va. is one of the nation's most experienced suppliers of systems, products and services to the Department of Defense and other government agencies.

VLSI Technology Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets application specific integrated circuits, application specific memory and application specific logic products. VLSI Technology, which has approximately 2,000 employees worldwide, had 1989 revenues of $288.5 million.

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ORANGE, CA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Judge Jack Tenner, former Los Angeles County Superior Court judge, has joined Judicial Arbitration & Mediation Services Inc., an Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) firm with offices throughout California and the Northwest.

He will begin hearing J.A.M.S. cases on Oct. 3.

Judge Tenner was appointed to the Superior Court in 1980 by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. During his tenure, he served on the Executive Committee of the Los Angeles County Superior Court and the BAJI Committee.

He has been a member of The Rutter Group and several court reform committees, including serving as Chair of the Protracted Litigation Committee and Member and Chair of the Settlement and Arbitration Committee. He has been a co-editor of the California Practice Guide on Personal Injury, and has participated in all bar association seminars and programs in California.

He has been named Judge of the Year by the Hollywood Bar Association, the California Trial Lawyers' Association and the Los Angeles Trial Lawyers' Association. He was also named Judge of the Year in a joint citation issued by the Constitutional Rights Foundation and the Los Angeles County Bar Association.

Judge Tenner received his LL.B. degree from DePaul University.

As the leader in private dispute resolution in the nation, J.A.M.S. has over 120 retired judges and justices on its panels in 13 offices throughout California, Oregon and Washington.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Quanex Corp. (NYSE:NX), a leading manufacturer of specialty metal products, Monday announced the successful completion of a $125 million private placement of 10.77 percent unsecured senior notes.

The senior notes contain customary convenants and mature August 23, 2000,

with annual repayments of $20.8 million beginning Aug. 23, 1995. Merrill Lynch Capital Markets advised Quanex and served as placement agent. Quanex said that it intends to use the net proceeds from the sale of the senior notes to repay the bank debt incurred in August 1989 to acquire Nichols Homeshield, its aluminum building products business; to construct an aluminum mini-mill, and to finance other capital expenditures.

Carl E. Pfeiffer, chairman and chief executive officer said:, ''We are pleased with this financing. It adds long term capitalization to our financial structure and funds two important parts of our growth plans. It also strengthens Quanex.

''In fact the Standard & Poor's Corp. recently upgraded the rating on our Quanex convertible exchangeable preferred stock, citing 'Quanex's financial flexibility to withstand downturns in the intensely competitive specialty steel markets... as a result of the planned $125 million senior debt issue.' We agree with S & P's assessment.''

Corporate Profile

Quanex is a technological leader in the manufacture of steel, aluminum and titanium specialty metal products for transportation, capital equipment, home building and remodeling and energy processing markets.

Latest 12 month data: sales; $620.3 million, operating earnings; $52.1 million, net income; $25.2 million, cash from operations; $68.8 million, earnings per share; $1.80, quarterly dividend rate; 10 cents per share, book value per share; $11.76, long term debt/ capitalization; 30 percent, return on shareholders' equity; 14.7 percent, common stock price range (52 week High/Low) $18.625 and $11.50.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - In a move to create a daytime talk show franchise, CBS Television has given the Kushner-Locke Co. an order to develop "The Barbara DeAngelis Show," as a new daily network half-hour talk/audience participation program to star popular radio talk show host and best-selling author, Dr. Barbara DeAngelis, it was announced Monday by Kushner-Locke co-chairmen Peter Locke and Donald Kushner.

Kushner-Locke will shoot the pilot for the series before a live audience on August 29-30 at the Glendale Studios with DeAngelis' manager, David Sams executive producing with Peter Locke and Donald Kushner.

According to executive producer Sams, who was former vice president, creative affairs at King World where he was instrumental in the launch of The Oprah Winfrey Show, "CBS' timing is right on the mark. TV is a personality driven medium. People connect with Barbara and she connects with them. The show will be about real people, their trials, tribulations, and celebrations, not about statistics or frivolous nothings which trivialize many of the important things in our lives."

According to Adam Shapiro, Kushner-Locke vice president of development, "We believe the time is right for a daytime show that will help people live their everyday lives to the fullest. In a daypart that is primarily dominated by game shows, 'The Barbara DeAngelis Show' is a new and refreshing direction to be taking."

Dr. DeAngelis has gained a tremendous following in recent years. Her radio talk show is heard daily on L.A.'s KFI-AM 640, where she has tripled that station's time period ratings in just one season.

Her latest book, "Secrets About Men Every Woman Should Know," spent four months on the New York Times best-selling list earlier this year, much of that time in the coveted number-one position. Meanwhile, her first book, "How To Make Love All The Time," continues to sell around the world, and her L.A.-based personal growth seminars have been sold out for twenty-one consecutive months.

Dr. DeAngelis has become one of the most requested guests on "Oprah," "Donahue," "Geraldo," "Hard Copy," and other national programs. Her articles have appeared in "Cosmopolitan," "Ladies Home Journal," "McCalls " "Readers Digest," "Redbook," "Family Circle," and "Playgirl." Most recently, "Redbook" signed her to the prestigious position of contributing editor.

"The Barbara DeAngelis Show" is a Kushner-Locke Production in association with 100 percent Productions, a DeAngelis/Sams Co. The Kushner-Locke Co. is a publicly traded (NASDAQ: KLOC) television production and distribution company providing programming for pay cable services, first-run syndication and the major television networks.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - California Microwave Inc. (NASDAQ: CMIC) confirmed Monday that its Government Electronics Division, Woodland Hills, Calif., had been advised that it had been chosen by the Department of the Army as the successful bidder in a competition for a

system contract.

In its announcement, the Army stated that the contract amount for the Grisly Hunter System is $17.8 million, and that award is contingent upon completion of reprogramming of funds. Work will be performed in Woodland Hills, and is expected to be completed by Feb. 28, 1992. The company indicated that it would recognize bookings and backlog at the time individual elements of this contract are funded.

Since its 1978 founding, California Microwave's Government Electronics Division has been a successful prime contractor for airborne and ground-based electronic intelligence systems. In addition to its large airframe integration projects, the division is a supplier of proprietary optionally piloted air vehicle systems and ground-based mobile intelligence communications command centers.

California Microwave Inc. is a leading supplier of microwave and satellite communications systems.

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HONG KONG (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Bonso Electronics International Inc., a manufacturer of electronic products with operations in Hong Kong and the People's Republic of China, announced that it is extending the exercise period of its publicly held warrants.

The warrants, which were scheduled to expire on Aug. 31, 1990, have been extended until 5 p.m., MDT, on Aug. 31, 1991.

Each warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase one share of common stock, $.0005 par value, of the company at $1.25 per share. The company's securities are traded in the over-the-counter market and are quoted on NASDAQ under the trading symbols BNSUF (units), BNSOF (common shares) and BNSWF (warrants).

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WOODLAND HILLS, CALIF. (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Amwest Insurance Group Inc. (ASE/PSE:AMW) announced that A.B. 3798, which exempts surety from major provisions of Proposition 103, was signed into law Aug. 26.

As a result, Amwest will recognize a one-time increase in net income of $797,000, or approximately 34 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1990.

Proposition 103, passed by California voters on Nov. 8, 1988, generally requires covered insurers to reduce their rates to rates that are at least 20 percent less than those in effect on Nov. 8, 1987.

Proposition 103 provides that rates may not be charged on or after Nov. 8, 1989, unless approved in advance by the California Insurance Commissioner. Many insurers subject to Proposition 103 have set up reserves for potential rebates to policyholders under the rollback provisions.

A.B. 3798, which became law Aug. 26, eliminates the rate rollback and prior review provisions of Proposition 103 as applied to surety, but still prohibits excessive, inadequate or unfairly discriminatory rates.

As of June 30, 1990, the company had established a reserve of $1,423,000 for potential premium rebates under Proposition 103. Because of the enactment of A.B. 3798, the company will terminate the reserve and will reflect a one-time increase of $838,000 in premiums written and $797,000 in net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Amwest is a Woodland Hills-based insurance holding company, specializing in surety bonds, including contract performance, court, contractors' license and sales tax bonds.

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ALAMEDA, CA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Ingres Corp. (NASDAQ:RELY), makers of the INGRES relational database management system (RDBMS), Monday announced a five-year site license agreement with the University of Pennsylvania.

The arrangement means that the university can use INGRES for all computer platforms on which INGRES runs, excluding third-party products.

In addition to the basic software site license, the agreement also allows the university access to unreleased, or ''beta,'' products and product plans and participation in Ingres' Showcase Account program, for which the university receives additional consulting in exchange for providing product demonstration facilities on campus.

The university's partnership with Ingres is part of a long-term strategy to enhance and integrate information systems and computing at the university, according to Ronald L. Arenson, interim vice provost for information systems and computing.

He said one of the university's major goals is to integrate its campus, with its heterogeneous computing environments, into a seamless information network.

One of the first university clients to use Ingres products will be the university's Wharton School, which will employ a variety of Ingres' application development tools to build administrative, research and instructional applications for its undergraduate and graduate students.

Fundraising is another area where university administrators plan to use INGRES. The university recently initiated a campaign to raise $1 billion over a five-year period. INGRES will be used to store information about donors, gifts, alumni and financial data.

The University of Pennsylvania is a member of the ''Ivy League'' and is consistently ranked among the top 10 universities in the country. Penn established the nation's first medical school, first collegiate-level school of business and first modern liberal arts curriculum.

Ingres Corp. is a world leader in information integration products for complex systems applications. The company's primary product is the INGRES RDBMS. Installed on 12,000 manufacturing and enterprise-wide commercial systems worldwide, and available on 50 types of computers including PCs and UNIX workstations, the INGRES RDBMS enables organizations to quickly access data spanning a variety of computer systems connected in a network.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Roy J. Adams, a long-time TRW executive, has been named vice president and general manager of TRW's Military Electronics & Avionics division, with headquarters in San Diego.

Adams was formerly director of the division's integrated avionics programs.

Adams replaces J. Terrance Dolan III, who has joined the staff of the division's parent organization, TRW Avionics & Surveillance Group, as vice

president for strategic development.

The group recently announced a major restructuring including the merging of its TRW Electronic Products Inc. subsidiary with the Military Electronics & Avionics division.

Prior to serving as director of advanced tactical fighter/light helicopter avionics, Adams was the division's director of engineering.

Adams' other TRW experience, dating from 1969, includes service as director of the defense systems business area and manager of military programs operations.

Adams was awarded master and bachelor of science degrees in electrical engineering from the University of Southern California.

TRW Avionics & Surveillance Group, with headquarters in San Diego, is a leader in signal intelligence, avionics and communications.

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PALO ALTO, CA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Free Flow Packaging Corp. of Redwood City, Calif. is entitled to $230,536.05 in lost profit damages from Hewlett-Packard Co. for its breach of contract with Free-Flow, ruled Superior Court Judge James Stewart in Palo Alto on Aug. 24, 1990.

The award may be increased by interests and associated costs, according to the ruling.

If Hewlett-Packard fails to agree with the damage award, a new trial will be held only on the amount of the lost profit damages, as Judge Stewart also denied Hewlett-Packard's motion for a new trial on all issues decided earlier by a Superior Court jury.

A Superior Court jury originally found Hewlett-Packard guilty on May 23, 1990 of breaching both a 1983 purchase contract and an April 1984 oral agreement entered into to resolve the 1983 breach. The jury awarded Free-Flow Packaging damages of $127,326.70 for lost profits caused by both breaches.

In earlier findings, Judge Stewart reaffirmed the jury's findings of liability and ordered further proceedings to finalize total damages owed by Hewlett Packard.

Free-Flow Packaging, a long time supplier of loose-fill recycled packaging material to Hewlett-Packard, originally filed suit in May 1986 for breach of a 1983 written purchase agreement and amended the suit in January 1987 for breach of the 1984 oral accord in which Hewlett-Packard agreed to make amends for the 1983 breach.

According to Free-Flow, having won the breach of contract claims, and without meaningful dialogue with senior Hewlett-Packard officials, the company plans to pursue further legal action for additional compensatory and punitive damages arising from Hewlett-Packard's conduct in connection with the contract breaches.

Free-Flow Packaging Corp. pioneered the expanded polystyrene loose fill packaging industry, and is the only manufacturer producing loose fill material from 100 percent recycled polystyrene. Free-Flow began using recycled materials in 1975, and stopped using CFC's in the manufacturing process in 1983.

Free-Flow has developed an innovative and proprietary process for reclaiming all types of polystyrene foam, which it has been reprocessing in its Redwood City plant since April 1990. The company plans to install similar systems in its four other United States plants in Los Angeles; Thorton, Ill.; Auburn, Mass.; and Newark, Del.; by the end of 1991.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Microscience International Corp. (NASDAQ:MSIC) has signed an agreement with Siemens AG, Munich, West Germany, for worldwide manufacturing and marketing rights to the Siemens MegaFile product family of Winchester disk drives of 700 MB and above.

Microscience had signed a letter of intent to acquire the rights to 777 MB 1.2 GB and 1.6 GB MegaFile drives in early June. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed and Microscience expects to begin shipments of the drives in the fourth quarter of this year.

Under the agreement Microscience will receive manufacturing and marketing rights to the sub-14 millisecond SCSI and ESDI drives along with assembly tools and test equipment.

Siemens will also provide engineering personnel to assist Microscience in the transfer of technology. Microscience will manufacture the newly acquired products in its Taiwan manufacturing facility.

Prior to the agreement with Siemens, the Microscience product line consisted of high performance 3.5 inch and 5.25 inch half-height Winchester disk drives ranging in capacity from 40 to 120 MB.

Microscience had sold primarily to desktop computer and workstation manufacturers. The acquisition of the MegaFile product line will provide an ideal solution for both existing Microscience customers who require higher capacity Winchesters and for potential customers who previously had to look elsewhere for this type of Winchester drive.

''This is a significant opportunity for Microscience and we are very pleased with the acquisition of the MegaFile line,'' said Microscience President and Chief Executive Officer Kevin Nagle.

''We believe that Microscience can now satisfy the needs of an entirely new business segment of the desktop computing and workstation markets. Many of our existing customers have been developing products which require high performance, high capacity Winchesters and the MegaFile products will satisfy those requirements.

''Additionally, we have been approached by many potential customers who wish to do business with Microscience for products of this type.

''Our first priority is servicing the needs of existing Siemens MegaFile customers. We will then evaluate business opportunities from both our current and potential customers.''

Microscience International Corp., founded in 1982, designs, develops and manufactures industry-leading, high quality 3.5 inch and 5.25 inch half-height Winchester disk drives for the desktop computer and workstation industries.

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PROVO, UT (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Novell, Inc. (NASDAQ:NOVL) Monday reported net revenue of $131.1 million for its third quarter ended July 28 1990, up 29 percent from net revenue of $101.8 million for the comparable period in fiscal 1989.

Net income for the second quarter increased 122 percent to $26.1 million from $11.8 million posted for the same period of fiscal 1989. Net income per share was $0.38, up from $0.18 earned during the corresponding period in fiscal 1989.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1990, net revenue was $357.0 million, up 15 percent from $310.8 million for the same period of 1989. Net income increased 80 percent to $61.7 million from $34.3 million. Net income per share was $0.90, up from the $0.51 earned during the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

''Novell continued to realize strong growth across our network computing system software product lines. As we expected, the quarter was marked by significant growth in sales of our NetWare 386 operating system product for business-wide computer networks,'' said Raymond J. Noorda, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Novell.

''We believe our results continue to reflect the value customers place on network performance and efficiency that makes the most of their installed computer systems. As a customer-driven company, we consider it essential to enable customers to create integrated networks that protect investments in computer systems and applications,'' he added.

Software revenue for the third quarter was up sharply, reaching 80 percent of total revenue. Software revenue grew 50 percent from the third fiscal quarter 1989, more than compensating for continued decreases in hardware revenue during the quarter. The third quarter saw new hardware licensing agreements take effect with Shiva Corporation and Federal Technologies Corporation.

As with previous transactions of this type, the agreements call for Novell to receive royalties for future sales of these products.

This continuing shift in Novell's revenue mix, was the principal factor in increasing Novell's third quarter gross margins to 75 percent of net revenue. This is up from a 65 percent gross margin for the like period in 1989, and from 71 percent gross margin realized during the second fiscal quarter 1990.

Novell develops NetWare systems software products that manage and control the sharing of data across a variety of network computing environments, including computer workgroups, departmental networks and business-wide information systems.

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - AST Research Inc. (OTC:ASTA) Monday announced the establishment of an African sales region and has appointed Javed Khan manager of sales operations.

AST currently distributes its personal computers in Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritius, Nigeria, Tanzania and Zaire. The company intends to strengthen its existing markets as well as promote new business in additional countries including Botswana, Cameroon, Ivory Coast, Uganda and Zimbabwe.

''Africa is an important marketplace for AST,'' Khan said. ''As the countries on this continent begin to modernize, AST's personal computers provide a cost-effective means for technological advancement.

''The company's broad line of personal computers and peripherals is well-suited to satisfy Africa's demand for economical, high-performance systems.''

Potential customers in Africa include multinational corporations, international donor agencies, local governments and private enterprise.

Khan has more than 10 years of experience in the personal-computer industry. He joined AST in 1985 and is responsible for recruiting distributors in Africa and managing the continent's sales and marketing programs.

Khan also coordinates programs designed to create computer systems to fit the specific needs of developing countries. Prior to joining AST, Khan held positions as a data-processing manager and program analyst.

AST Research is a leading manufacturer of high-performance personal computers, enhancement and data-communication products. AST's dual-brand product line, which features the Premium and Bravo families, allows users to choose from a full line of price and performance options.

The company is represented in 89 countries and operates 27 subsidiaries and sales offices worldwide. According to InfoCorp, an industry research firm, AST ranks third in U.S. dealer channel sales for 386-based systems.

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FREMONT, CA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Everex Systems Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:EVRX) announced Monday its financial results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter ended July 31, 1990 were $116,357,000, an increase of 19.5 percent over the $97,401,000 for the like quarter of the

previous year. Net income was $7,447,000 compared with $6,659,000, an 11.8 percent increase.

Earnings per share were 31 cents on 24,009,000 weighted average shares compared with 28 cents on 23,627,000 weighted average shares for the like quarter of the prior year.

Revenues for the 1990 fiscal year were $436,507,000, a 15.7 percent increase over the $377,272,000 for the corre3qnding period last year. Fiscal 1990 net income was $24,456,000, or $1.03 per share, vs. $21,251,000, or 91 cents per share, an increase of 15.1 percent.

Steve Hui, president of Everex, said: ''We are pleased with our performance given the difficult market conditions over the past year. We continue to gain market share despite the sluggish growth rate of the domestic personal computer marketplace.''

Everex Systems, with headquarters in Fremont, is a leading manufacturer of personal computers and peripheral and enhancement products for the personal computer marketplace.

Founded in 1983, Everex markets its products worldwide through a network of value-added dealers and resellers.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint announced Monday that USTeleCenters has become an authorized sales agency offering US Sprint long distance services.

USTeleCenters, a telecommunications solutions company headquartered in Boston, Mass., provides telecommunications services and equipment to small and medium sized businesses in the Northeast and Mid Atlantic states.

The US Sprint voice products that USTeleCenters will be providing to their customers are Dial One -- the basic long distance service for residential and small business customers with a limited amount of long distance usage; Sprint Plus -- the long distance for residential and small business customers with more than $8 of long distance usage each month; Dial One WATS -- a business service for customers with up to 550 hours of usage per month in equal access areas; FONline 800 -- a WATS service for businesses receiving up to 500 hours of inbound calls per month; Ultra WATS -- a WATS

service for businesses with over 550 hours of outbound calls per month; and Ultra 800, the inbound WATS service for businesses with more than 500 hours of inbound calls per month.

''USTeleCenters can now offer US Sprint long distance services and provide an exciting value for their customers. US Sprint's high quality long distance services are delivered over our one-of-a-kind 100 percent digital fiber-optic network,'' announced Craig Sanders, vice president and general manager of US Sprint's Intermediary Market Group.

The US Sprint Intermediary Market Group was formed in 1989 to encourage and support third party selling through exclusive contractual arrangements that authorize sales agents to act as independent contractors.

USTeleCenters was founded in 1986 to provide growing companies with the latest telecommunications products and services.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City, Mo.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Expanding the availability of its products across the globe, KnowledgeSet Corp. Monday inked a reseller pact with Info-One International of Australia and announced the opening of its own sales and support office in Europe.

These moves address the growing international need for high-speed, multi-platform search and retrieval systems for CD-ROM and magnetic storage media.

A leading developer of full-text and graphics retrieval software for DOS, UNIX and Macintosh platforms, KnowledgeSet designs products that allow data stored on optical or magnetic media to be found in a fraction of the time required by print, microfilm, microfiche or on-line systems.

KnowledgeSet provides both robust applications as well as development tools that permit the extensive customization often necessary to meet diverse market needs of international customers. Features include multilingual capabilities and an applications program interface for customizing user interfaces.

KnowledgeSet's search engines are already licensed by major international corporations including Apple Computer, Siemens AG and IBM, which has incorporated an AIX version of Graphic KRS under the name InfoExplorer into its line of RS/6000 systems.

KRS products are also used with several internationally recognized CD-ROM based products including the Boeing 757 Maintenance Manual and Illustrated Parts Catalog, the International Encyclopedia of Education and the award-winning Guinness Disc of Records.

According to Chris Bowman, vice president of marketing and operations for KnowledgeSet: "The company's expansion underlines our commitment to support an existing network of KnowledgeSet value added resellers in Europe and branch out into new international markets. We are confident that the multilingual capabilities and flexible development environment of our products will create rapid international acceptance."

KnowledgeSet Europe will market all of KnowledgeSet's products, focus on supporting existing value-added resellers and expand this network to cover all major European markets. The office is located at Suite 11, Swan Centre Fishers Lane, Chiswick, London, England W4 1RX. Telephone: 44-0-81-995-1331, FAX: 44-0-81-747-3640.

"Interest in CD-ROM applications, notably for technical documentation, is growing rapidly in Europe. With the realization of the common market in 1992, information products such as the KRS line will become increasingly valuable, provided they meet Europe's multilingual needs and are sensitive to unique European market conditions.

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DENVER (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - On Aug. 1, 1990, Nemdaco Inc. (OTC) entered into a purchase option agreement with Infodyne Systems Inc. (ISI), a Colorado corporation.

The agreement gives to Nemdaco Inc. the exclusive right to exchange up to 200,000 shares of newly issued common stock in exchange for 100 percent of Infodyne's issued and outstanding shares. The option was granted at a cost to Nemdaco Inc. of $50,000. The options are exercisable at Nemdacos' sole discretion any time until July 31, 1992.

ISI is a medical technology company that actively markets and installs medical data acquisition and analysis systems in the industrial, occupational marketplace. ISI currently services over 600 occupational

accounts nationally including USX, Manville, Mobay Chemical, Alcoa, Proctor & Gamble and International Paper.

Participating hospital and overread sites include Tulane University, Graduate Hospital in Philadelphia, Northwestern Memorial Hospital and Alta Bates in Berkeley, Calif., to name a few. The company is dedicated to expanding this customer base as well as adding new services such as blood pressure, EKG and blood chemistry testing to the currently provided tests for audiometry, vision and pulmonary functions.

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SHEPHERD, MT (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - United Tote Inc. (NASDAQ:TOTE), a worldwide supplier of wagering systems, said that James H. Pierce, president and chief executive officer, has taken a leave of absence due to illness which prevents him from performing his duties on a full-time basis.

Chairman of the Board Lloyd Shelhamer also announced that the board of directors had elected A. Lorne Weil, currently a director and consultant of the company, as its acting president and chief executive officer until Dec. 31, 1990.

Lloyd Shelhamer also said that he ''hoped Mr. Pierce would be able to return to work on a full-time basis by year end, but in the meantime Jim will assist the company in certain key customer and financial projects.''

He stated that the board had also elected John H. Shelhamer, currently a director of the company and president of the United Tote operating division, as acting executive vice president and chief operating officer of United Tote Inc.

United Tote provides wagering systems to more than 300 pari-mutuel and sports-wagering facilities worldwide.

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BILLERICA, MA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - BTU International Inc. (NASDAQ:BTUI) Monday announced that it has signed a $4.5 million contract with a semiconductor manufacturer in Europe to supply its ''System 2100'' vertical reactors and ''APEX Supervisory Software System.''

This technology will be used for DRAM production.

''This is our second large-scale contract in the past two months for this new technology,'' said Paul J. van der Wansem, president and chief executive officer. ''It is proof that BTU's vertical reactor technology is rapidly capturing market share in advanced-wafer manufacturing.

''Since the 2100 vertical reactor was introduced in March, BTU has booked approximately $14 million in orders,'' continued van der Wansem. ''Although margins will be affected over the next two quarters as a result of higher-than-anticipated costs for the initial orders of this new product, BTU is well positioned to capture a major share of this fastest growing segment of the semiconductor equipment industry.''

The company estimates that the market for vertical-processing equipment in 1989 was roughly 35 percent of the combined vertical and horizontal ''hot wall'' market. By 1993, BTU expects the vertical market to account for about half of the combined atmospheric and LPCVD market, or about $500 million.

BTU International Inc. is one of the principal suppliers worldwide of wafer-processing systems used in the manufacture of integrated circuits.

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CULVER CITY, CALIF. (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Showscan Corp. (NASDAQ:SHOW) announced Monday the sale of an 80-seat Dynamic Motion Simulator (DMS) to the Pyramid Operating Authority Inc. (POA), the builder of the Great American Pyramid in Memphis, Tenn., which will be the largest sports and entertainment complex in the United States.

This new sale brings to five the number of DMSs sold in the last 90 days, and increases total DMS sales to 24 worldwide. The DMS will be part of the Pyramid's ''Egyptian Experience,'' an educational and amusement attraction.

Scheduled to open in June 1991 and operate on a year-round basis, the Pyramid is projected to draw annual attendance of 3 million patrons. POA is principally owned by Sidney Shlenker, the former owner of the Denver Nuggets professional basketball team and a principal in PACE concerts, one

of the largest concert-promotion companies in the United States.

''We chose Showscan's DMS because the company shares our vision, and their product meets our standards of quality,'' said Shlenker. ''When you're building the country's largest sports and entertainment complex, you want to be sure you get the best,'' he continued.

Showscan's president and chief executive officer, Roy Aaron, said, ''We are pleased to be associated with another of the pre-eminent entertainment attractions in the United States.

''This sale, following the recent successful opening of DMSs at the Excalibur Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, currently attracting over 8,000 patrons per day, and the impressive attendance results reported recently at other DMSs worldwide, clearly establishes Showscan as the preferred supplier of simulation technology to amusement and entertainment facilities in the United States and throughout the world.''

The Pyramid soars 321 feet in the air, big enough to hold six football fields at its base. It is themed around Egyptian culture and history in tribute to its sister city, Memphis, Egypt. Under the terms of Showscan's production license, the contract calls for POA to produce a ''thrill ride'' film in Showscan simulating a Pharaonic boat ride through the Egyptian ''Netherworld.''

Showscan develops and supplies advanced image and experience technology to stimulate, entertain and educate the public. It is also developing products to use in high-definition television.

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MENLO PARK, CALIF. (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Informix Corp. (NASDAQ:IFMX) Monday announced that Dan G. Sully has resigned from its board of directors and as its secretary.

Sully, 60, became a director in 1982 and became secretary in 1986.

Sully is the chief executive officer of Sully Associates, a management consulting firm in Half Moon Bay, Calif.

''Dan Sully has served Informix for an extended period of time and has

provided invaluable service to the corporation,'' said Roger J. Sippl, chairman of Informix Corp. ''He gave us guidance and counsel during the company's formative years. His presence will be missed and we wish him the very best.''

Informix Software Inc., the operating subsidiary of Informix Corp., is a leading supplier of information management software providing solutions from the database through the desktop.

Informix products include powerful distributed database management systems robust application development tools, and graphical- and character-based productivity software for delivering information to every significant desktop.

Headquarter in Menlo Park, Calif., Informix has a European headquarters in London and an Asia/Pacific headquarters in Singapore.

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CHATSWORTH, CA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - NMB Technologies Inc. Monday announced its new master reseller program for its Right Touch (TM) membrane keyboard product line.

The master reseller program was created to respond to the increasingly influential role that resellers play in the PC market.

The program was developed to focus on premier resellers and offers volume buying power, co-op advertising, before and after sales support and domestic stock. This is the first time NMB Technologies has developed a specific program for the reseller market.

''NMB Technologies has been a major OEM keyboard supplier for 17 years. The reseller program puts us in a position to further penetrate the keyboard PC market,'' said Gary Yomantas, president of NMB Technologies. ''We are committed to providing high-quality products to VARs and VADs, system integrators and smaller resellers.''

NMB Technologies' Hi-Tek Keyboard Division provides state-of-the-art keyboard technologies for the plug-compatible and custom marketplaces. The company's membrane keyboard offers the proven Right Touch feel, XT/AT-PS2 compatability and competitive pricing. The membrane keyswitch is tested at 20 million-plus cycles.

NMB Technologies' mechanical keyswitch keyboard product line also includes

clicker, tactile and linear versions of its RT-101, RT-101 style models. All of NMB Technologies' keyboards are IBM plug-compatible.

NMB Technologies is the world's leading supplier of broad-based products for the EDP market. NMB Technologies is the electronics marketing division of NMB (USA) Inc., the North American headquarters of the Minebea Group of companies. Minebea is one of the world's three- largest keyboard manufacturers.

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SANTA ANA, CA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The First American Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:FAMRA/FAMRB) at its regular bimonthly meeting declared regular quarterly dividends of 10 cents per share for the company's Class A common stock and 10 cents per share for its Class B common stock.

The dividends are payable Oct. 15 to shareholders of record Sept. 28, 1990.

The company has paid a cash dividend every year since 1909.

First American Financial operates its title insurance business through its principal subsidiary, First American Title Insurance Co., a leading title insurer throughout the country.

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HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - RAD Network Devices Inc. (RND) announced Monday support for Shortest Path First (SPF) routing algorithm that allows users of extended networks to route network traffic faster and more efficiently than any other bridge/routing method.

Dynamic SPF identifies and uses the fastest path between any two LANs to transfer data packets in an Ethernet or token-ring network.

''This is a breakthrough in routing techniques. Dynamic SPF is now the best routing algorithm available, based on its features of integrity, bandwidth optimization, dynamic adaptation and split-second alternate routing response,'' said Michael Grimshaw, president of RAD Network Devices.

''Dynamic SPF is used transparently for all protocols including non-routed protocols, such as DEC's LAT terminal server protocol.''

Related to the proposed standard for routers of OSPF -- Open Shortest Path First -- RND's dynamic SPF ensures optimal utilization of available bandwidth through active use of all redundant links.

Since every network is configured differently, RND bridge/routers provide built-in traffic-control options allowing users to customize network operations. In addition, RND bridge/routers contain a bi-directional access-control mechanism that ensures network security by allowing users to enable or disable communication between any two nodes.

Dynamic SPF is integrated into RND's wide range of internetworking products for Ethernet and token-ring networking environments.

Ethernet-based products include the REB (Remote Ethernet Bridge/Router) for high-performance applications; the REB-SX (Remote Ethernet Bridge/Router series), which offers entry-level interconnection capabilities; the CEB (Composite Ethernet Bridge/Router), which allows users to divide a LAN segment or link two isolated local LAN segments; and the XEB (X.25 Remote Bridge/Router), which interconnects LANs through an X.25 public or private Packet-switched Data Network (PDN).

Token Ring products include the RTB (Remote Token-Ring Bridge/Router) series which ensures high-speed filtering and forwarding. RND also offers a Remote Internetwork Management System (RIM) that allows users to monitor and control an internetwork configuration of Ethernet or token-ring bridge/routers.

RAD Network Devices is an innovator in internetworking products for the local and wide-area networking markets. Founded in 1987, the company introduced the industry's first combination bridge/router to provide enterprise-wide networking solutions for the global market.

RND's family of bridge/router products allows users to interconnect local and remote LANs into a single, integrated network for a wide range of applications and vertical market sectors. RND is a member of the RAD Group of companies.

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ALBANY, NY (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Trans World Music Corp. (NASDAQ:TWMC) Monday reported sales of $72,889,000 and earnings of $1,601,000, or $.18 per share, for the second fiscal quarter ending August 4, 1990, which compares to $.11 per share in the prior year.

On a year-to-date basis the Company reported sales of $143,755,000 and earnings of $4,050,000, or $.45 per share, which compares to earnings of $.15 per share in the 1989 six month period. A one-time charge of $.17 per share for litigation expense was recorded in the first quarter of 1989. In the second quarter of 1990, an out of court settlement relating to this litigation resulted in a credit of $.03 per share.

Total sales increased 17 percent in the quarter while comparable stores sales increased 9 percent. On a year-to-date basis, sales advanced 13 percent while comparable store sales increased 7 percent. Company officials noted that operating results were bolstered by lower selling, general and administrative expenses when compared on a percent of sales basis. Interest expense was higher, however, due to increased borrowing levels to support higher inventory levels in the early part of the quarter.

Thirty-five new stores were opened and three stores closed in the second quarter. Twenty-two new Saturday Matinee stores, the Company's newest store format dedicated to the sale of prerecorded video tapes, have been opened thus far during 1990. Management plans to open a total of approximately 120 stores in 1990 including 60 Saturday Matinee stores and 60 new music stores.

Trans World Music Corp. is one of the largest specialty retailers of prerecorded music and video products, operating 481 stores under several distinct store formats throughout the eastern half of the United States. The company operates retail stores under several names including Record Town, Tape World, Coconuts, Great American Music, Good Vibrations, and Saturday Matinee.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Retix, the leading worldwide supplier of OSI products, Monday announced an agreement with NCR Comten that will provide Retix internetworking users with customized on-site service and support programs.

Under the terms of the agreement, NCR Comten's customer service engineers in over 70 locations throughout North America will provide Retix internetworking customers with 24-hour, seven days-a-week support.

To introduce this program to internetworking users, Retix will provide a special introductory offer for the service program. All customers purchasing Retix remote Ethernet bridges through Dec. 31, 1990, will receive a one-year Equipment Maintenance Agreement, free of charge.

The alliance between Retix and NCR Comten will give internetworking users one of the few customized, on-site support programs available in the industry. Users can receive a complete range of services including installation, maintenance, equipment certification and testing, systems integration and consulting.

The on-site availability of these services minimizes the ''downtime'' associated with returning equipment to the factory or replacing it in the field.

A recent customer satisfaction survey, conducted by Minneapolis-based Keller Rosen & Associates, showed that NCR Comten is a top-rated provider of data communications support services.

NCR Comten provides standards-based and SNA compatible networking systems. A subsidiary of NCR Corp., NCR Comten has headquarters in St. Paul, Minn. with more than 70 sales and service facilties located throughout the United States and Canada.

Retix is the leading worldwide supplier of Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) Products. Founded in 1985, Retix has installed over 10,000 local and remote bridges and has more than 150 OSI original equipment manufacturer (OEM) licenses throughout the world. Retix designs, manufactures and markets its products to OEMs, distributors, systems integrators, value-added resellers and large end-users. -0-

Note to Editors: Retix is a registered trademark of Retix. Other brand and product names are registered trademarks or trademarks of their respective holders.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - To meet the increasing demand for use of ordinary telephone wire for data communications, SynOptics Communications Inc. (NASDAQ, NMS:SNPX) Monday announced its 4 and 16 Megabit-per-second (Mb/s) Token Ring module options for the System 3000 intelligent wiring hub.

Its new ''active hub'' approach allows use of ordinary unshielded twisted pair telephone wire for high-speed data tranmission over longer lengths of cable than has previously been possible.

Additional new technology developed by SynOptics significantly increases the logistical number of stations that can be configured in a single Token Ring network. Traditionally, the maximum ring count for unshielded twisted pair Token Ring has been limited to 72 nodes.

Raising the available station count represents tremendous cost savings by reducing the number of bridges that would be required to build larger physical rings. Further, the addition of a new fiber optic repeater module will extend trunk ring interconnections between concentrators to up to two kilometers.

SynOptics is best known for its 1987 breakthrough technology that runs the popular Ethernet networking access method over unshielded twisted pair at 10 Mb/s.

This expertise has led to a dual strategy: a passive approach for use with shielded twisted pair and high performance LAN cables such as those from AT&T and Northern Telecom, and a new active hub approach which achieves standard building cabling distance requirements using ordinary telephone wire, commonly called D Inside Wire or DIW.

Through these two approaches, SynOptics has achieved what no other Token Ring vendor could: a 16 Mb/s unshielded twisted pair Token Ring solution that meets standard building cabling specifications of 330 feet (100 meter) cabling runs between the workstation and the wiring closet, allows rings of up to 144 devices to be built without bridging and, through the active hub approach, runs over the ordinary unshielded twisted pair telephone wire already installed in most buildings.

SynOptics Communications Inc. designs, manufactures and markets local area networking products based on its Network Utility Architecture, a value-added product strategy which incorporates network connectivity, internetworking and network management solutions into an integrated networking system.

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COCONUT GROVE, FL (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - WATSCO, INC. (ASE: WSOA) Monday announced that H. Wayne Huizenga, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Blockbuster Entertainment, Inc. had purchased from the Company 50,000 shares of Watsco Class A Common Stock (approximately 4.8% of the class outstanding) for $10.00 a share and a five year warrant entitling him to purchase 45,000 shares of Class B Common Stock of Watsco at an exercise price of $11.25 per share (current market).

This was a private investment in Watsco by Mr. Huizenga, who has also agreed to serve on an advisory council for the Company and Dunhill Personnel System, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Watsco engaged in the personnel services industry.

Commenting, Albert Nahmad, Watsco's President and Chief Executive Officer stated, ''We are delighted with Mr. Huizenga's involvement with our company. He brings to the Company and Dunhill a wealth of experience and a track record of building successful, growing businesses by consolidating fragmented industries. The personnel services industry, like the video retail business, is highly fragmented, and we look forward to drawing upon Mr. Huizenga's experience as we proceed with our long-term plans for Dunhill.''

Watsco participates in the climate control industry through Gemaire Distributors, Inc., the largest independent distributor of residential central air conditioning equipment in Florida, and various manufacturing subsidiaries. The Company also participates in the personnel services industry through Dunhill Personnel System, Inc. Dunhill provides permanent placement and temporary personnel services through 279 franchised and company-owned offices in 41 states and the District of Columbia.

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REDMOND, WA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Interpoint Corp. (NASDAQ:INTP) Friday reported profits of $100,000, or 4 cents per share, on revenue of $6.9 million for the third quarter ended July 31.

As expected, this is a substantial drop from earnings of $269,000, or 11 cents per share, on revenue of $7.6 million during the same period a year ago. At the same time, the company announced that three insiders, acting independently, had acquired 60,000 shares, approximately 3 percent of total shares outstanding, over the past two weeks at prices ranging from $4.50 to $6.25 per share.

The company said revenues for the full year ended Oct. 31, 1990, are still expected to be 2 to 4 percent lower than the record pace of 1989. Full-year profits, including the one-time $533,000 integration charge recorded in the first quarter, are expected to be down substantially from 32 cents per share a year ago.

''Bookings, or new orders, are very strong and total backlog, or orders received but not yet shipped, is currently over $18 million,'' according to president and chief executive officer Peter van Oppen. ''We expect shipments to return to more normal levels during the fourth quarter and our excellent backlog suggests we will show growth into next year.

''We view insider purchases as a sign of confidence in our strong order backlog as well as the excellent team we currently have in place at Interpoint,'' van Oppen said.

Founded in 1969, Interpoint designs, manufactures and markets a broad range of proprietary power converters and custom hybrid microcircuits for aerospace and industrial applications with headquarters in Redmond. Production facilities are located in Redmond and Kaohsiung, Taiwan. Sales offices are located in Minneapolis; Long Island, N.Y., and London.

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GULFPORT, FLA. (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Sounds corny, but a new packing and shipping company wants to help save our environment.

So, Popcorn's Pac-N-Ship won't be using styrofoam peanuts. You guessed it. They're using real, honest-to-goodness popcorn! And it works. Even UPS has approved it as a packing material. It cushions items every bit as well as the toxic stuff.

So, Popcorn's will be popping their own and venting the aroma onto the street. What a way to attract customers! And, popcorn will be available for eating as well, though that certainly is not their primaray business, and it isn't recommended that the popcorn be eaten after it's been used as packing.

It does, however, make great food for the birds and squirrels and mulch for the plants. A contribution to the environment, you see, rather than a detriment.

Popcorn's is completely committed to an ecologically responsible policy. Most of their boxes are made from recycled materials, and their shipping envelopes are bio-degradable, too. Popcorn's believes that this policy saves money, as well as energy and the environment.

Any act in a negative direction creates numerous negative effects, such as waste, poisoning, and litter, while any act in a positive direction creates just as many positive results, such as economy, health, and cleanliness.

Popcorn's Pac-N-Ship is a new venture, created by Les Netterstrom. Les had been very successful in the franchise business with Payless Car Rental which he started in 1971 and built to one of the top 10 car rental companies, grossing over $70 million annually, with corporate world headquarters in St. Petersburg, Fla. He sold Payless to an international conglomerate last year.

Popcorn's also offers fax services, mail boxes, electronic mail, binding and instant copying, and instant color copying and enlarging. In other words, any means possible of moving information and objects. Popcorn's expects to provide very essential services to such clients as ad agencies, corporations, law offices, architects, and others, as well as private individuals, of course.

Whoever uses Popcorn's Pac-N-Ship, however, can rest assured, as they breathe in the intoxicating aroma of fresh-popped packing material, that they are with a leader in not only information movement, but the ecological movement as well.

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WEST PALM BEACH, FL (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Jos. F. Bradway Jr., president of VHC Ltd. (NASDAQ:VHCL) Monday, reported the company's results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

VHC's sales for the second quarter were $8.7 million, compared with $10.4 million in the same quarter last year. The decline in sales was primarily related to the reduction in purchases as a result of further consolidation in the U.S. glass industry resulting from recent mergers.

Sales from the company's A.K. Robins subsidiary were up due to the recent addition of an Italian-made machinery line, however were not enough to offset the decline in sales at Maul Technology.

VHC recorded a net loss of $83,000, or 4 cents per share, in the second quarter of 1990 compared with net income of $724,000, or 35 cents per share, in the same quarter last year. Margins decreased as a result of more aggressive competition in both the declining U.S. market and in the foreign market areas that Maul addressed as a strategy for long-term business.

Operating profits were further reduced by the increased spending on research and development and expanded sales/service presence in Europe. However, it is expected that these investments will improve margins because of new products. VHC expects to improve sales in Europe and Asia through extensive marketing efforts.

For the first six months of 1990, sales were $17.6 million, compared with sale of $19.1 million in the same period of 1989. Net income for the latest six months was $83,000, or 4 cents per share, compared with net income of $1,252,000, or 60 cents per share, in the first six months of 1989.

As previously announced, VHC's board of directors signed a letter of intent in March 1990 to sell the company to Jos. F. Bradway Jr., the company's president and chief executive Officer, for $5.75 per share. Bradway and his family members currently own approximately 30 percent of the outstanding stock.

All of VHC's directors, who collectively own approximately 43 percent of the outstanding stock, have agreed to sell their stock to Bradway and recommend to VHC's stockholders that they approve the sale. Shareholders are scheduled to vote on the proposal at a meeting to be held in September.

VHC Ltd. is a holding company with interests in the glass container forming machinery and food processing machinery industries.

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WEST CHESTER, PA. (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Corporate Fact Finders, an information brokerage, announced that due to the increased demand for our services, we are now operating full-time.

Corporate Fact Finders assists clients in making business decisions based on the most current information possible. We keep clients up-to-date so they don't miss an important article or fall behind in their special projects. We save valuable time for our clients, because we know how and where to find the answers to difficult questions.

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Corporate Fact Finders specializes in custom research and analysis for business. We have over 10 years of experience in obtaining and analyzing information. We have expertise in the following areas:

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-- import/export information

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As an introduction to our services, we are offering a free data search for your first project with Corporate Fact Finders.

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Sharon Dean, 215/431-3708

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - S.N.L. Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:SNLFA) reported net income from operations for the three months ended June 30, 1990, of $79,000 or 3 cents per share, as compared to $629,000 or 23 cents per share for the three months ended June 30, 1989.

Total net income, excluding the accounting changes was $164,000 or 6 cents per share for the three month period ended June 30, 1989, as compared to $79,000 or 3 cents per share for the three month period ended June 30, 1990. Revenues for the three months ended June 30, 1990, were $6,571,000 as compared to $6,274,000 for the three months ended June 30, 1989.

Earnings from operations for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were $379,000 or 13 cents per share as compared to $197,000 or 3 cents per share for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

Total assets of the corporation increased 3.45 percent to $210 million, as of June 30, 1990, from $203 million at Dec. 31, 1989.

S.N.L. Financial Corp. reported for the six months ended June 30, 1990, a net income from operations of $355,000 or 13 cents per share. For the six months ended June 30, 1989, the net income from operations was $1,033,000 or 37 cents per share. Total net income excluding the accounting changes was $104,000 or 3 cents per share for the three month period ended June 30, 1989. Revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990, were $13,244,000 and $12,107,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

The reporting of the financial results of the company has been affected by two changes in accounting principle, one of which required restatement of previously reported financial information. The first change results from the application of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 96, ''Accounting for Income Taxes,'' which was applied effective Jan. 1, 1989, through a cumulative adjustment to earnings.

The second change results from the application of Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 97, ''Accounting and Reporting for Insurance Enterprises for Certain Long-Term Duration Contracts for Realized Gains and Losses from the Sale of Investments,'' which was applied effective Jan. 1, 1988, and resulted in restatement of financial information presented subsequent to that date.

The company noted that total life sales, excluding annuities, have increased 9 percent over last year's levels, and the cemetery and mortuary revenues have increased 47 percent over last year's levels.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Tera Microsystems Inc., a supplier of advanced RISC components and systems, Monday announced completion of its first round of financing.

The company received $4.3 million, increasing total financing to $6.1 million.

In making the announcement, Tera Microsystems' President and Chief Executive Officer Henri Uehara said, '' The quality and stature of our worldwide investors supplies Tera with the resources and guidance to become a leader in providing systems-on-silicon solutions for the low-cost workstation and laptop computer markets.''

Participating in the financing are a group of global investors including Sequoia Capital, Philips Components-Signetics, Singapore Technology, Stanford University and China Coast Investment.

In addition to an equity position in the firm, Philips Components-Signetics and Tera Microsystems have entered into a technology license agreement.

As part of this agreement, Tera has access to their semiconductor foundry. Philips Components-Signetics will also cooperate in the joint marketing of Tera's products.

''Tera's innovative expertise makes them unique in the RISC systems and components marketplace,'' said James Dykes, president of Philips Components-Signetics. ''Our agreement represents a substantial opportunity for Philips to participate in this rapidly growing market.''

Founded in August 1989, Tera Microsystems develops reduced instruction set computing (RISC) components and systems targeted at the low-cost workstation, laptop computer, X-terminal and embedded controller markets. The company has headquarters in Santa Clara, Calif., and has 25 employees.

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Miller Communications, Mountain View, Calif.
Julia Price or Russell Castronovo, 415/962-9550.

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ALBERTSON'S INC. EARNS $52.9 MILLION IN SECOND QUARTER

BOISE, ID (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Albertson's Inc. announced record

sales of $2.07 billion for the 13 weeks ended Aug. 2, 1990, an increase of 13.6 percent over the $1.83 billion for the same quarter last year.

During the period identical store sales increased 7.7 percent. An 11-1/2 week strike in 34 Seattle area stores during the second quarter of 1989 had a positive affect on both total and identical sales increases for the second quarter of 1990. Earnings for the second quarter increased 15.9 percent to $52.9 million, or 40 cents per share, compared to $45.6 million or 34 cents per share, last year.

Sales for the 26 week period were $4.08 billion, an increase of 12.2 percent over the $3.64 billion for the same period last year. Earnings were $104.1 million, an increase of 15.6 percent over the $90.0 million for the same period last year. Earnings per share were 78 cents compared to 67 cents for the first half of last year.

For the 26 weeks, gross margin was 22.95 percent compared to 22.77 percent for the same period last year. This increase was due primarily to efficiencies realized from new distribution centers. Operating and administrative expenses, as a percent to sales, increased to 18.86 percent from 18.72 percent.

Warren E. McCain, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated that: ''We are very pleased with our identical sales increases. During the past six months we have made a substantial investment in increasing our sales base and intend to continue to emphasize sales increases.''

During the quarter 10 stores were opened for a total of 14 stores for the six months. Fourteen stores have been closed during the first six months as the company continues its program of weeding out small stores and unproductive stores. The company anticipates opening 30-35 stores during 1990 which is less than the 40 stores estimated at the beginning of the year.

Remodels were completed on eight stores during the quarter for a total of 16 completed for the first six months. For the year, we will complete 42 remodels compared to our earlier estimate of 45 remodels.

At Aug. 2, 1990, the company operated 523 stores in 16 western and southern states.

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MURFREESBORO, TN (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of First City Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:CITY) has declared a distribution of one Junior Preferred Stock Purchase Right for each outstanding share of First City Common Stock.

The distribution of the Rights is designed to deter coercive takeover tactics and help prevent partial tender offers and other abusive tactics to gain control of First City without dealing with all shareholders on a fair and equal basis.

Shareholders will receive Junior Preferred Stock Purchase Rights as a dividend at the rate of one Right for each share of Common Stock held as of the close of business on Sept. 4, 1990.

Each Right will entitle the shareholder, under alternative circumstances, to buy either securities of First City or securities of the acquiring company (depending on the form of the transaction) at an exercise price that will be half of the market value of such securities at the time.

The Rights can be exercised only if a person or group acquires 20percent or more of the company's outstanding Common Stock or launches a tender or exchange offer that would result in ownership of 20 percent or more of the company's outstanding Common Stock.

Each Right that is not owned by a holder of 20 percent (10 percent in certain circumstances) of First City Common Stock entitles its holder to purchase, for $20, shares of First City Common Stock that have a market value of $40. A shareholder may exercise rights in this manner if any person acquires 20 percent or more of the company's outstanding Common Stock.

Alternatively, if First City is involved in a business combination in which First City itself is not the survivor, or if the company sells 50 percent or more of its assets or earning power to another person, then each Right takes the form of a right to purchase, for $20, shares of the acquiring company's common stock that have a market value of $40.

At any time prior to a person acquiring 20 percent or more of its Common Stock and for a period of 10 days following the public announcement of such acquisition, the company will be entitled to redeem the Rights at one cent per Right. The Rights expire on Sept. 4, 2000.

First City Bancorp Inc.'s sole subsidiary, First City Bank, serves customers in Murfreesboro, Smyrna, Columbia and the Nashville suburb of Bellevue.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - William & Clarissa Inc. (NASDAQ:WMCL), the mass marketer of 'KIDS William & Clarissa'' line of personal care products, Monday announced the promotion of Mary George to the positions of president and chief executive officer.

George replaces William A. Meyer, founder of William & Clarissa, who continues as chairman of the board. George previously held the posts of executive vice president and chief operating officer. Before joining William & Clarissa in 1989 she had served as president and chief operating officer of VLI Corp.

''The promotion of Mary George reflects the company's focus on the mass retail market and Mary's role in the launch of our KIDS William & Clarissa product line,'' commented Meyer. ''These products are now available nationwide, including drug store chains, mass merchandisers and food stores.''

The company has obtained a credit facility of up to $1.5 million from a principal stockholder. Borrowings are limited to eligible accounts receivables plus 50 percent of inventory balances, and are secured by receivables, inventory, trademarks and other assets.

The lender received five-year warrants to purchase 171,429 shares of common stock at $2.625 per share. This credit facility supplements an existing $1 million bank credit line which is secured by a senior lien on accounts receivable and an additional $1 million bank loan which is guaranteed by the same principal stockholder.

William & Clarissa designs, develops and markets personal care products and accessories, primarily for children.

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WAYNE, PA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - ECC International Corp. (NYSE:ECC) announced that the board of directors has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 5 cents per common share, payable Oct. 19, to shareholders of record on Sept. 21.

ECC International Corp. is a world leader in the design, research and

production of simulators and related training programs for crew, operator and maintenance training.

Through its headquarters and Instructional Systems Development Group in Wayne, Penn.; its Systems Design and Production Center in Orlando; and through a wholly owned subsidiary, ECC Simulation Limited in Shoreham, England, the company provides a wide range of products and services used by all branches of the U.S. Department of Defense and by armed forces in 25 foreign countries.

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MONTGOMERY, AL (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Blount Inc. (ASE:BLT.A) Monday announced that it has initiated an open market stock repurchase plan for up to 300,000 shares of Blount Class A common stock over the next 12 months.

Blount is an international manufacturing and construction company headquartered in Montgomery.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Cubic Corp. (ASE:CUB), a high-technology company based in San Diego, announced that it is continuing to buy its own common stock with the current authorization from the board of directors to purchase 500,000 additional shares.

With the current authorization the company can continue to purchase shares on the open market in an orderly manner, at management's discretion.

The present authorization is in addition to the one million shares previously approved and purchased by the company over the past five years.

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PALO ALTO, CALIF. (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Co. Monday introduced an improved, lower-priced HP DeskJet printer -- the HP DeskJet 500.

This printer replaces the HP DeskJet PLUS and DeskJet printers and is $729 U.S. list. This lower price point allows HP to build on the trend, noted by industry analysts, away from dot-matrix printing to non-impact printing.

The HP DeskJet PLUS and HP DeskJet printers were $995 and $795, U.S. list, respectively. The HP DeskJet 500 printer improves upon its predecessors by offering more fonts and better font spacing, water-resistant ink and compatibility with Microsoft Windows 3.0.

Microsoft Windows 3.0 currently works with the HP DeskJet 500 printer. Later this year, HP expects to ship an enhanced driver with each HP DeskJet 500 printer that allows Microsoft Windows 3.0 users to scale fonts (change typeface sizes). Customers who buy the HP DeskJet 500 printer before this driver is introduced may obtain it at no charge when it is available.

All HP DeskJet family (for IBM and compatible computers) and HP DeskWriter (for Macintosh computers) printers have 300 dots-per-inch resolution and use plain paper. Like the HP DeskJet PLUS printer, the HP DeskJet 500 printer produces up to three pages of text or two pages of graphics per minute.

The HP DeskJet 500 printer is designed for people with dot-matrix budgets who want to print documents that look professional. Availability

The HP DeskJet 500 printer and optional font cartridges are scheduled to be available Sept. 4 from HP-authorized dealers and HP's direct marketing organization.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in 100 countries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

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WALTHAM, MA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Meditrust (NYSE:MT) has been informed that a corporation owned by certain officers of Meditrust and its advisor, including its chairman and president, has completed the acquisition from Avon Products Inc. (NYSE:AVP) of all of the stock of The Mediplex Group Inc. (''Mediplex'').

The acquisition was completed after compliance with a previously signed Consent Agreement which included among other things, the following financial preconditions:

-- Credit enhancement in the form of a Letter of Credit for Mediplex's leases with Meditrust in the amount of $15 million, as additional security for those obligations;

-- A minimum net worth of $20 million and maximum debt to equity ratio of 3:1 for Mediplex; and

-- Meditrust's receipt of a satisfactory opinion as to the solvency, viability and adequate capitalization of Mediplex from an independent financial advisor selected by Medtrust.

In addition to addressing issues of Mediplex's creditworthiness, the Consent Agreement also included provisions which:

-- Impose a moratorium on transactions between Meditrust and Mediplex regarding the financing of additional facilities;

-- Require that the percentage of Meditrust's assets represented by Mediplex's facilities be reduced to not more than 35 percent, 30 percent and 25 percent respectively, as of Dec. 31, 1990, 1991 and 1992;

Mediplex is a diversified healthcare operations and management company with interests in 25 operating facilities. Of the 25 facilities operated or managed by Mediplex, 17 are leased from Meditrust, representing approximately 35 percent of Meditrust's portfolio of investments as of June 30, 1990, down from 87 percent as of Dec. 31, 1987.

Meditrust, with headquarters in Waltham, Mass., is the nation's largest Healthcare Real Estate Investment Trust, holding investments in 105 healthcare facilities with 17 different operators in 24 states totaling approximately $750 million of investments.

The company specializes in the sub-acute sector of the health care industry, including investments in rehabilitation hospitals, long-term care facilities, alcohol and substance abuse treatment centers, psychiatric hospitals and retirement living communities. A.M.A. Advisory

Corp., a Delaware Corp. is engaged as the Advisor to Meditrust.

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PERTH AMBOY, NJ (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Bankers Corp. (NASDAQ:BKCO), the parent company of Bankers Savings, announced Monday that it has signed an agreement to purchase five retail banking offices in Ocean and Monmouth counties from Carteret Savings Bank, FA headquartered in Morristown.

Under the terms of the agreement, Bankers Savings will purchase Carteret's branch offices and savings deposits located in Freehold, Bricktown, Toms River, Hazlet and Matawan, N.J.

The sale is subject to federal and state regulatory approval.

Banker's Chairman, President and CEO, Joseph Gemmell, stated, ''When we converted from a mutual to a stock company in March of this year, one of our stated objectives was to expand south into Monmouth and Ocean Counties.

''This acquisition is tailor made enabling us to utilize our very strong capital position (14.3 percent of assets prior to this transaction) to further enhance our already very strong earnings.

''These are good franchises and we look forward to doing business in this new market anticipating the same successes and customer acceptance enjoyed in the 120 years of doing business in Middlesex County. This is a 'win/win' transaction for both Carteret and Bankers.''

Carteret Savings Bank President and CEO Robert C. Walsh said, ''This geographic market has been a very good one for Carteret; however, our long-term strategy is to focus retail operations in those areas where we have larger concentrations of offices. We believe it is necessary to streamline our branch network in order to achieve enhanced profitability in our operations.''

Walsh emphasized that ''while we are reducing the scope of our retail operations in the Monmouth/Ocean County market, Carteret will continue to maintain a strong residential lending program in the area.'' He added that although Carteret exceeds all regulatory capital requirements the sale will dramatically improve the bank's capital position and future profitability.

Bankers Savings, with assets in excess of $870 million, currently has six offices all of which are located in Middlesex County. These additional

offices will increase Bankers size by approximately 45 percent. Carteret Savings Bank, New Jersey's second largest thrift, has more than $6 billion in assets and operates over 60 retail banking and loan offices - primarily in New Jersey and Florida.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Whittaker Corp. Monday announced the results of its operations for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 which ended July 31.

Operating profit of continuing operations for the quarter increased to $9,843,000 from $9,050,000 for the same quarter last year. Income from continuing operations for the third quarter amounted to $4,025,000, or 47 cents per share, compared to a loss of $3,213,000 or $.47 per share, a year earlier.

Joseph F. Alibrandi, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, ''The results reported for the third quarter reveal the fundamental earning power of Whittaker now that the non recurring charges and high interest expenses associated with our 1989 recapitalization are behind us. We are proud to have completed successfully our recapitalization and the bulk of our divestiture program.''

Whittaker also announced today that it has begun to explore the possibility of spinning off its Bioproducts segment to Whittaker stockholders on a pro rata basis. No decision regarding such a spin off has been reached and implementation of any such plan is subject to numerous conditions including the approval of Whittaker's board of directors and secured lenders and the ability to structure the transaction on a tax-free basis.

Aerospace operating profit for the nine months of 1990 reflects a $1.7 million provision for moving and associated costs relating to the move of the Carlsbad, Calif. operations of the company's Whittaker Electronic Systems division to the headquarters of that division in Simi Valley, Calif.

Operating profit reflects amortization of intangibles and depreciation expense as follows:

	Third Quarter		Nine Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Aerospace	$ 1,146	$ 1,119	$ 3,431	$ 3,358
Biotechnology	551	476	1,586	1,314
Total	$ 1,697	$ 1,595	$ 5,017	$ 4,672

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NEW CASTLE, IN (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Paul W. Prior, chairman of the board of Ameriana Bancorp (NASDAQ/NMS:ASBI), Monday announced that the company's board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 12 cents per share, payable Oct. 5, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Sept. 21, 1990.

Ameriana Bancorp, through its wholly owned subsidiary, Ameriana Savings Bank, offers an extensive line of banking services to the east central Indiana area through offices in New Castle, Knightstown, Middletown and Greenfield.

In addition to banking services, Ameriana, through Ameriana Financial Services, Inc., has an interest in a life insurance company headquartered in New Orleans, owns Thalls Ameriana, a full-service insurance agency in New Castle, and provides a full line of investments and securities products in its brokerage center.

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Harry J. Bailey, 317/529-2230.

-30- 1123

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WESTBOROUGH, MA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Proteon Inc. Monday introduced integrated fiber optic connectivity for the Series 70 Intelligent Wire Center and 16 Mbps support for TokenVIEW Plus and TokenVIEW Manager Network Management Software.

The company also introduced TokenVIEW site licensing packages that further lower the cost of operating and managing multiple rings in a building or campus. The new products expand Proteon's leadership in token ring networking, making it the foremost source for 16 Mbps fiber backbones, complete media flexibility, and distributed management capabilities that enable users to effectively manage the token ring network throughout its life cycle.

According to Nate Kalowski, Proteon's vice president of marketing, the Series 70's fiber optic support allows users to develop cost-effective 4/16 fiber backbones that link their departmental LANs into an enterprise-wide network. Fiber is one of the fastest growing network mediums and will be a key component of networks into the next decade.

Today's networks must be designed for tomorrow's long-term requirements. This is especially true for the network's cabling strategy, which must support both departmental and enterprise-wide applications. Network managers are increasingly seeking a structured cabling strategy that delivers the benefits of a fiber backbone, new levels of error detection and correction, and flexibility of cabling mediums. Proteon's Series 70 is the only intelligent wire center that provides managers with the tools to implement such long-term networking strategies.

The 4/16 new fiber connectivity complements the Series 70's existing support of unshielded twisted pair (UTP) and shielded twisted pair (STP) cabling. Because it combines all three media within a single multi-station access unit (MAU), the

Series 70 lets users manage the fiber backbone as an integrated aspect of the enterprise-wide network. In contrast, competitive MAUs require external fiber modems to support fiber optic connections and cannot offer unified network management through the MAU. External modems also represent additional points of potential failure, further reducing ovrall network reliability, and cost more than twice the price of the Series 70's integrated fiber link pairs.

TokenVIEW Plus and TokenVIEW Manager Network Management Software together provide a distributed, fault-tolerant solution to manage dispersed 4/16 Mbps departmental LANs and the fiber backbone interconnecting them.

Proteon, ProNET, and TokenVIEW Plus are registered trademarkss of Proteon Inc. The Series 70 is a trademark of Proteon Inc.

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or
Rourke & Company
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RICHMOND, BC (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Cominco Ltd. as operator of the Tulsequah Chief joint venture, has informed the Company that hole 23 has just entered massive sulphide mineralization where anticipated, based upon

down dip projections from hole 22.

Further information will be released when the horizon has been fully penetrated. A second drill rig has arrived on the property and should commence drilling by August 28.

The Tulsequah Chief project is a 60/40 joint venture between Cominco Ltd. and the Company, developing a massive sulphide deposit in northwestern British Columbia.

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MORGANVILLE, NJ (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Corfacts Inc. (Pink Sheets) announced the results of their stock repurchase program.

After completing the 3,800,000 share repurchase program, Corfacts now has 8,005,305 shares outstanding.

Larry Finkelstein, president and chief executive officer said, that ''As of the completion of the offer a total of 6,551,694 shares had been tendered and not withdrawn. In accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Offer to Purchase For Cash (filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission), a pro rata percentage of 58 percent was applied to the 6,551,694 shares received by American Stock Transfer Company, the Depository for the company.''

Finkelstein continued, ''The depository will make cash payments promptly to shareholders for those shares purchased by the company. Certificates for the 2,751,694 shares which were submitted in excess of the 3,800,000 shares purchase will be immediately reissued to shareholders.''

Corfacts Inc. publishes business directories and other information products in New Jersey and the Philadelphia metropolitan area.

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ACTON, MASS. (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - CML Group, Inc., (NYSE:CML), a leading direct marketer of consumer products, today announced that it has closed on the sale of its Carroll Reed subsidiary to an affiliate of Swire Pacific Ltd., a Hong Kong based company best known for its ownership of

Cathay Pacific Airways.

As previously announced, the sale, which completes the restructuring of CML, is a cash transaction. Proceeds have been used by CML to pay down its long-term bank debt.

CML Group's high-quality products are sold under the trademarks NordicTrack, The Nature Company and Britches of Georgetowne.

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Michael Wilder, 508/264-4155

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SILER CITY, NC (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Communication Cable Inc. (NASDAQ: CABL), a specialty electronic wire and cable manufacturer of Siler City, has announced its third quarter earnings.

CCI's earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 were 36 cents, up 100 percent from 18 cents in the third quarter of 1989. Net earnings were $646,647, up $426,912, or 194 percent from $219,735 for the third quarter of 1989. This marks the 19th consecutive quarter of earnings growth for CCI.

Consolidated revenues of $5,648,321 for the third quarter of 1990 were also up from $5,461,681 in 1989.

In spite of slow market conditions during the first nine months of 1990, CCI accomplished dramatically increased earnings per share and net earnings. Earnings per share were 79 cents, 34 percent ahead of last year's first nine months of 59 cents per share. Net earnings for nine months increased to $1,403,827, or 92 percent over $729,759 for the comparable period in 1989.

Communication Cable made a major aquisition in the third quarter with the purchase of Texarkana Wire and Cable. This acquisition adds approximately $15 million capacity in telephone wire and cable to CCI's product lines, and is expected to make significant contributions in the fourth quarter and in 1991. The purchase was financed with a tax-free industrial revenue bond issued by the State of Arkansas in August 1990.

The Saxton Division is beginning to make limited shipments and is also expected to make contributions to growth and earnings starting in the fourth quarter.

The Chinese Project started coming on stream in the third quarter and strong productivity gains were made in all four divisions.

In August, CCI purchased additional equipment from the receivers of the bankrupt Plastoid Corp., which will be used primarily for growth of Saxton Divison, with some equipment going to all divisions.

When the equipment is installed and operational, CCI should have approximately $65 million of production and sales capacity in the four U.S. divisions.

CONTACT: Communication Cable Inc., Siler City
James R. Fore, William B. Cooper, or
Charles L. Wellard, 919/663-2629.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Mexico Equity and Income Fund Inc. (NYSE: MXE) announced Monday that the closing net asset value of its shares was $11.27/share on Friday, Aug. 24.

The Mexico Equity and Income Fund Inc. had an initial closing net asset value of $11.26/share on Aug. 21.

The Mexico Equity and Income Fund Inc. is a recently launched, non-diversified, closed-end management investment company that seeks high total return from capital appreciation and current income through investment in covertible debt securities issued by Mexican companies and equity and other debt securities of Mexican issuers.

CONTACT: Oppenheimer & Co. Inc., New York
Todd Marvin, 212/667-7619
by
Alan Towers Assoc. Inc., New York
Robert Mondschein, 212/354-5020

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DALLAS (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Spectradyne Inc., the Dallas-based lodging industry communications leader, now provides Spectravision Guest Pay Movies, Interactive Video Services, and Free-To-Guest programming to Hong Kong hotels via Spectradyne International's Asia Pacific subsidiary.

Currently, five Hong Kong properties have been installed with Spectravision: the Hong Kong Marriott, Sheraton Hong Kong Hotel & Towers, Victoria Hotel, Ramada Inn Kowloon and Ramada Inn Hong Kong. Under contract to be installed by the end of 1990 are the Hotel Conrad Hong Kong Ramada Renaissance, New World Harbour View, Royal Pacific Hotel, and New

World Hotel.

Spectradyne International's Hong Kong and Pacific Rim operations are headquartered at the company's Asia Pacific office in Hong Kong.

"We consider Hong Kong to be a prime market for Spectravision and the nucleus of our Asia Pacific expansion," said Seamus McGill, vice president Asia Pacific for Spectradyne International. "We anticipate installing over 8,000 guest rooms in Hong Kong before the end of 1990."

Dallas-based Spectradyne Inc. provides Spectravision Guest Pay Movies and Free-To-Guest Programming, Business Spectrum, Interactive Video Services such as Video Checkout, Video Messages, and Video Breakfast Menu, and business communication services to the lodging industry. The company has more than 700,000 guest rooms installed throughout North America, the Caribbean, and the Pacific Rim.

CONTACT: Adler & Associates Inc., Dallas, Gaynel Richie Buck, (214) 386-5400.

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OWINGS MILLS, MD (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Universal Security Instruments Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol: USEC) reported that, as a result of the loss of certain records in its recent fire, it has been unable to file with full financial data, its form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 1990 and its form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 with the SEC and National Association of Securities Dealer Automated Quotation system (NASDAQ).

The Company has been advised by NASDAQ that its common stock will continue to be included for quotation in NASDAQ via an exception from this filing requirement.

The NASD granted temporary exception subject to the Company meeting certain conditions, including that the filing be made on or before September 24, 1990. While Universal believes that it can meet these conditions, and intends to file during the first week in September, there can be no assurance that it will do so. If at some future date the Company's securities should cease to be quoted on the NASDAQ System, they should continue to be quoted in the over-the-counter market. For the duration of the exception, the Company's NASDAQ Symbol will be USECE.

Universal Security Instruments, Inc. designs, manufacturers and markets video, telecommunications and security products.

CONTACT: Universal Security Instruments Inc., Owings Mills
Harvey Grossblatt, 301/363-3000

or
Keith L. Lippert Associates, New York
Krista R. Roth, John W. Heilshorn, 212/838-3777

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NEW YORK (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Colette Capocciamo has been promoted to the position of director, recruiting and employee relations of Viacom International Inc., it was announced Monday by William A. Roskin, vice president, human resources and administration of the company.

In this capacity, Capocciamo is responsible for recruitment for professional and administrative positions at the corporate staff, as well as administrative recruitment for Viacom Entertainment and MTV Networks.

She also has the responsibility for managing the part-time and temporary support services program; Corporate employee relations; organization of company-wide special events; and supervision of certain benefit programs, including the tuition assistance program.

Capocciamo joined Viacom in 1978. During that time, she has held various positions in the human resources department, including manager, recruiting and employee relations and senior employment representative.

Capocciamo is a candidate for a B.S. in management from St. John's University.

Viacom International Inc., is a diversified communications and entertainment company headquartered in New York City. Viacom Inc., the holding company parent of Viacom International Inc., is an approximately 84 percent owned subsidiary of National Amusements Inc., a closely-held corporation which owns and operates approximately 650 movie screens in 14 states and England.

CONTACT: Viacom International Inc., New York
Nancy L. Bushkin, 212/258-6362.

-30- 1708
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WESTBURY, NY (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - New York Testing Laboratories Inc. (NYTL) Monday announced its results for the first six months of 1990.

Revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990 increased by $111,756 as compared to the same period in 1989. For the three month period ended June 30, 1990, revenues increased by $127,241 over 1989. The increase in revenues occurred in the revenues from testing services, primarily the

revenues of the company's wholly owned subsidiary Laboratory Testing Services Inc.

NYTL is pleased to announce that it achieved a profit from operations of $32,142 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990. This represents an increase in operating profit of $250,599 compared with the same quarter in 1989. The net income for the quarter was $144,214, which reduced the company's loss for the six months to $189,048.

The company announced that it has signed a letter of intent with an investment group for the sale of its 37.04 percent interest in Nytest Environmental Inc. for a price of $1.61 million.

CONTACT: New York Testing Labs, Westbury
Jim Doran, 516/334-7770.

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ALBANY, NY (AUG. 27) USINESS WIRE - KeyCorp reported that Thomson Bankwatch (formerly Keefe Bankwatch), a proprietary credit rating and consulting service, has upgraded KeyCorp's rating.

KeyCorp is one of very few banks to receive an upgrade during the last nine months.

Thomson Bankwatch defines the rating given to KeyCorp as a strong

company with a solid financial record which is well received by its natural money markets. Some minor weaknesses may exist, but any deviation from the company's historical performance levels should be both limited and short-lived. The likelihood of a problem developing is small, yet slightly greater than for a higher-rated company.

The report indicated this upgrade reflects KeyCorp's solid, consistent trends in profitability and a generally healthy balance sheet which is characterized by strong diversification, both by geographic and individual credit lines. KeyCorp's above average capital and extensive retail deposit base were also cited as reasons for the upgrade.

It was also noted that KeyCorp has done a good job in integrating their acquisitions into the franchise, implementing KeyCorp policies and procedures, and ultimately turning their results around. In addition, the report stated the company continues to enjoy robust margins reflecting its business mix which emphasizes small business and retail lending largely funded by a solid low cost core deposit base.

With respect to loan quality, the report added that while current economic

conditions suggest the portfolio could come under further pressure, its diversification and the fact that KeyCorp has no LDC or HLT exposure and limited commercial real estate exposure suggest that incremental pressure should be manageable.

BankWatch ratings are based upon a qualitative and quantative analysis of all segments of an organization.

KeyCorp (NYSE:KEY) with assets of over $16 billion is a multi-regional bank holding company headquartered in Albany. It has focused its banking expansion activities in the Northeast and Northwest. Pursuing a middle market target, KeyCorp has concentrated its resources in cities and smaller communities of the northern tier of states, thus avoiding overcrowded marketplaces and single industry loan exposure.

9CONTACT: KeyCorp, Albany
Allen J. Volkenant, 518/486-8273
Evenings/Weekends, 518/482-6918.

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AKRON, OH (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - American Business Computers Corp. (NASDAQ: ABCC) reported an unaudited net profit for the first three fiscal months ending in July of $125,000 or approximately one cent per share compared to a loss of $522,000, or five cents per share loss, for the same period a year ago.

Bob Cutting, president, said; "The main reason for the sharp financial improvement was due to accounting for minimum soft drink royalties guaranteed by our July 9, 1990 contract amendment. This royalty was negotiated, not calculated on shipped equipment.

"Because of the confidential nature of our technology and our non-disclosure agreements with our business partners, we do not issue forecasts for future sales or profits, nor do we support third-party forecasts."

American Business Computers Corp. develops and markets state-of-the-art products for the foodservice industry, which increase the efficiency, control, and profitability of food and beverage operations.

CONTACT: American Business Computer Corp., Akron, Bob Cutting, (216) 733-2841.

-30- 1253
#90239b0750 08/27/1990 ~Business Wire

CHICAGO (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - United Airlines Flight 816, a Boeing 747-400 aircraft en route from Sydney, Australia to Los Angeles, landed safely at Los Angeles International Airport at 10:25 a.m. PDT, after the nose gear failed to deploy properly.

There were no serious injuries reported in the evacuation of the 323 passengers and 20 crew members.

CONTACT: United Airlines Corporate Communications, Chicago, Sara Dornacker, (708) 952-6561; Rob Doughty, (708) 952-4195; or Joe Hopkins, (708) 952-5770.

-30- 689

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CANTON, MA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Instron Corp. Monday notified Cenith Partners L.P. that the Board of Directors of Instron, acting upon the recommendation of a Special Committee of independent directors, has determined that no right certificates should or will be issued pursuant to the Company's Shareholder Rights Agreement in response to Cenith's demand.

Instron Corp., listed on the American Stock Exchange (ISN), is a leading producer of instruments and systems for advanced materials testing.

CONTACT: Instron, Canton
Linton A. Moulding, 617/828-2500.

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FAIRFIELD, NJ (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Prime Motor Inns, Inc. (NYSE-PDQ) announced today that it has amended an $82 million secured loan agreement containing a requirement that Prime purchase an interest rate cap capping LIBOR at approximately 6-1/2 percent with respect to certain ''excess interest'' obligations of Prime under the agreement.

The amendment provides a one-month period for Prime and the lenders to develop an alternative to the interest rate cap purchase obligation and calls for Prime to escrow $2.5 million to be applied to the cost of whatever alternative is agreed upon. The primary principal and interest payment obligations under the agreement belong to certain partnerships which purchased the properties securing the debt from the company. The event which triggered Prime's obligation to purchase the interest rate cap was the recent lowering of its debt rating by Standard & Poors.

The company also announced that the closing of the previously- announced sale of its new Las Vegas Howard Johnson Plaza-Suites hotel, the cash proceeds of which would pay down certain financing secured by the property

has been extended and is now expected to occur in September.

The company said that it is current on all payments under its loan agreements and that it is continuing to actively pursue selective asset sales and financings pursuant to it restructuring program; however, in light of the continuing deterioration of the market for hotel properties, it does not expect to be able to pre-pay the balance of its bank debt due March 1991 by the end of calendar 1990 as previously announced.

CONTACT: Prime Motor Inns, Inc., Fairfield
David Simon, 201/882-1010.

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VANCOUVER, BC/TULSA, OKLA. (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameroil Energy Corp. (VSE: ALN) and its wholly owned subsidiary, ALN Resource Corp., announced Monday the results of a flow test on the McCullough 1 well in Brazos County, Texas in the Austin Chalk Trend.

The well flowed 195 barrels of oil during an eight hour period. The company owns a 50 percent working interest in the well and has an option to purchase a 100 percent interest in 4,198 contiguous acres surrounding the well.

The property was acquired as part of an acquisition previously announced on Aug. 9, 1990. The company is also currently evaluating the well for a possible reentry in order to drill horizontal into the Austin Chalk.

Additionally the company estimates that recent increases in the selling price of oil will add approximately $50,000 monthly to the company's ongoing net cash flow.

The company has reached an agreement in principle to acquire a further interest in a total of 10,000 acres in Wilson County, Texas in the Austin Chalk Trend. Upon completion of the acquisition the Company will have a total net interest of 14,198 acres with room for over 80 wells.

CONTACT: Ameroil Energy Corp., Vancouver
Murray Sinclair, 604/681-4711 (Vancouver)
or
Michael Paulk, 918/749-5666 (Tulsa)

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NEW YORK (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Shorewood Packaging Corp. (NASDAQ:SHOR) Monday announced financial results for its first fiscal quarter ended July

28, 1990.

Revenues for the first quarter ended July 28, 1990 were $33,294,000 as compared to revenues of $32,742,000 for the corresponding quarter of last year.

Net earnings for the current quarter were $2,686,000 ($.14 per share) for the current fiscal quarter as compared to net earnings of $3,881,000 ($.20 per share) for the comparable fiscal quarter of last year.

The per share amounts have been adjusted to reflect a 3-for-2 stock split effected in the form of a stock dividend which was paid to stockholders on Aug. 6, 1990.

''Our net earnings in the current fiscal first quarter were affected by a number of diverse factors including, among other things, lower than anticipated revenues in the home entertainment area as well as substantial research and development expenses incurred during the quarter,'' stated Paul B. Shore, chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Shorewood Packaging Corp. and its subsidiaries print and manufacture high quality paperboard packaging for such industries as music, home video, food, tobacco, film, cosmetics and toiletries.

The company's executive offices are in New York City with manufacturing and sales operations in New York, Georgia, Alabama, Virginia, Illinois, California, Canada and England.

CONTACT: Shorewood Packaging Corp., New York
Marc Shore, 212/371-1500.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - General Cinema Corp. (NYSE:GCN) Monday announced that for the three months ended July 31, 1990, consolidated revenues from continuing operations were $506.0 million, compared to $491.3 million a year earlier.

Operating earnings were $20.3 million in the third fiscal quarter, compared to $31.2 million a year earlier. Net earnings for the three months ended July 31, 1990, were $5.7 million, or 8 cents per share, compared to $25.6 million, or 35 cents per share, in the year-ago period.

Income from interest and dividends in the 1990 third quarter declined to $22.3 million from $41.4 million a year ago. Lower interest and dividend income in the 1990 quarter compared to the prior year reflects the payment of nearly $600 million of capital gains taxes in January 1990 related to

the company's sale of its soft drink bottling business, reducing the amount of investable funds to $1.1 billion in the 1990 quarter from $1.7 billion a year ago.

For the nine months, consolidated revenues from continuing operations were $1,665.7 million, compared to $1,467.9 million a year earlier. Operating earnings in the first nine months of fiscal 1990 were $94.9 million, compared to $88.2 million last year.

Net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $55.6 million, or 75 cents per share. In the first nine months of 1989, earnings from continuing operations were $98.0 million, or $1.33 per share, and included an after-tax gain of $52.0 million, or 70 cents per share, from the sale of securities. In the year-ago period, discontinued operations increased after-tax earnings by $865.9 million, bringing net earnings for the first nine months of 1989 to $963.9 million, or $13.06 per share.

General Cinema's consolidated statements include the operating results of The Neiman Marcus Group, the company's 60 percent owned specialty retailing subsidiary, with a lag of one quarter.

General Cinema Corp. operates one of the largest theatre circuits in the United States and is a leading specialty retailer through The Neiman Marcus Group. General Cinema owns approximately 16 percent of the ordinary shares of Cadbury Schweppes p.l.c., an international marketer of soft drinks and confectionery. The company holds approximately $1.1 billion in cash and short-term investments.

CONTACT: General Cinema, Chestnut Hill
Peter Farwell, 617/232-8200.

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CANTON, MA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Instron Corporation has elected John A. Dotson as Vice President of Operations.

Mr. Dotson comes to Instron following ten years with Emerson Electric where he had a significant record of accomplishment at their Brooks and Automatic Switch Divisions. Prior to Emerson, John served over fifteen years with Rockwell International.

Mr. Dotson received his undergraduate degree from the University of South Carolina and his MBA from Georgia Southern University.

Jim McConnell, President and CEO of Instron said ''I see this appointment as an important step in strengthening Instron's management team. Mr. Dotson's extensive experience in manufacturing and operations management

will enhance our ability to implement the cost reduction activities which are the current primary focus at Instron.''

Instron Corporation, listed on the American Stock Exchange (ISN), is a leading producer of instruments and systems for advanced material testing.

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WILLIAMSPORT, PA (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Commonwealth Bancshares Corp., headquarted in Williamsport, has announced a 22-cents-per-share dividend payment for the third quarter of 1990.

The corporation's dividend was increased from 21 cents earlier in 1990.

''We continue to remain on track with performance goals for 1990,'' said William D. Davis, chairman and chief executive officer.

''Continued improvements in net interest margin, productivity gains, as well as a sound loan portfolio reflecting a diversified local economy should provide expected 1990 budgeted results,'' agreed William E. Snell Jr., president and chief operating officer.

The dividend will be paid on October 25 to shareholders of record September 28.

Commonwealth Bancshares Corp. is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System with the trading symbol CBKS. The multi-bank holding company serves 12 counties with 55 offices throughout northcentral Pennsylvania. Upon completion of the First Bank of Greater Pittston merger, expected in the fourth quarter, assets will total $1.5 billion, and the corporation will serve 14 counties with 60 community offices.

CONTACT: Commonwealth Bancshares Corp., Williamsport
Ray M. Fisher, 717/327-5152

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - BRE Properties Inc. (NYSE:BRE) reported net income of $4,352,000 (55 cents per share), for the fourth fiscal quarter ended July 31, 1990 versus $4,334,000 (55 cents per share)

in the same period last year.

Net income for fiscal 1990 was $29,509,000 ($3.74 per share), compared to $15,978,000 ($2.03 per share) in fiscal 1989. Results for 1990 include a $10,434,000 net gain on sales of investments and a $3,424,000 litigation settlement.

BRE's board of directors declared a dividend of 60 cents per share for the quarter ended July 31, payable Sept. 27 to shareholders of record Sept. 7. This extends BRE's record of consecutive quarterly dividends to 80 representing 20 full years of quarterly dividends since formation of the company in 1970.

In the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, BRE's funds from operations amounted to $5,452,000, versus $5,404,000 in the same period last year. Funds from operations for the year totaled $20,026,000, compared to $20,010,000 last year.

Total revenue for the fourth quarter was $10,166,000, versus $10,209,000 last year. For the full fiscal year, total revenue amounted to $43,311,000, compared to $38,899,000 in fiscal 1989.

The company's total investment portfolio has an estimated current fair value of approximately $367,975,000, including real estate equity investments with an estimated unrealized appreciation of $167,923,000 in excess of their carrying book value and mortgages, valued at $185,000 less than their aggregate book value.

If the resulting appreciation were added to shareholders' equity at July 31, 1990, the total would be approximately $309,023,000 or $37.75 per share fully diluted, compared with $36.75 per share fully diluted last year.

BRE Properties is a real estate investment trust which invests primarily in apartments, shopping centers, hotels, light industrial, office and warehouse buildings in the western United States. Common shares of the company are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol BRE.

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by
Healy & Co., San Francisco
Maury Healy, 415-546-6166.

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CHERRY HILL, NJ (AUG. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Subaru of America Inc.

shareholders Monday approved by a large majority a merger agreement with Fuji Heavy Industries Ltd.

At a special meeting of shareholders held Monday in Cherry Hill, N.J., over 83 percent of the outstanding shares of the company were voted in favor of the merger agreement which will make Subaru of America a wholly owned subsidiary of Fuji Heavy Industries Ltd. of Japan. The effective date of the merger will be announced shortly.

According to the merger agreeement, holders of Subaru of America common stock will receive a minimum per-share cash payment of $8.50: $6 from Fuji Heavy and an additional amount equal to at least $2.50, expected to be furnished from a portion of the proceeds of the sale of the company's portfolio of vehicle leases.

The company is engaged in discussions with a prospective buyer of the lease portfolio and hopes to complete that transaction shortly. As of the July 20 record date for the shareholder vote, there were 48,579,831 shares outstanding held by approximately 5,000 shareholders of record. Fuji Heavy Industries Ltd. owned 24,060,528, or approximately 49.53 percent of the outstanding shares.

Speaking for the Subaru board of directors, Harvey Lamm, chairman and chief executive officer, said that the merger will considerably strengthen the competitive potential of Subaru in the U.S. automotive marketplace.

Payment for shares will occur as soon as practicable after the effective date of the merger. Shareholders will receive instructions and a letter transmittal from Fuji's paying agent, IBJ Schroder Bank and Trust Co., advising each holder of Subaru common stock of the procedure for exchanging stock certificates for cash as specified in the merger agreement.

After the merger, Subaru of America will continue to be the exclusive distributor of Subaru vehicles, accessories and replacement parts in the United States and Puerto Rico. The company operates through six regional sales offices and three independent continental U.S. distributors serving approximately 750 dealers nationwide. Subaru vehicles are manufactured by Fuji Heavy Industries Ltd. of Japan.

CONTACT: Subaru of America, Cherry Hill, Daniel J. Dalton, (609) 488-3358.

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in Bolar Pharmaceuticals Co. Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol BLR.

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:59 that trade in National Pizza Co.(NASDAQ: PIZA) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 17. The company is located in Pittsburg, KS.

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:05 that trade in National Pizza Co. (NASDAQ: PIZA) has been resumed. The first sale was 17 1/8; up 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

GROUP LED BY SANDLER ASSOC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 917,702 SHARES (31.92%) OF

ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ADLA) OF COUDERSPORT, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 18, 1989 and Aug. 17, 1990, and since the last amendment, Sandler Assoc.purchased 171,750 shares at a price of $10.13 to $28.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

To show an increase in the beneficially-owned shares.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY WESPAC INVESTORS TR III OWNS 10,450,294 SHARES (71.40%) OF OPPENHEIMER INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: OPP) OF SANTA MONICA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The 825,000 of the 2,000,000 shares purchased by Wespac were acquired in consideration for a secured nonrecourse note in the aggregate principal amount of $825,000 which was due and payable on May 31, 1990 and was secured by properties of Wespac located in Spokane, Washington. The note was repaid to Oppenheimer Ind. Inc. in cash by Wespac. The remaining 1,175,000 shares purchased by Wespac were acquired in consideration for an additional secured nonrecourse note, the subsequent note, in the aggregate principal amount of $1,175,000 which accrues interest at 10 percent per annum, compounded annually, is due and payable on Aug. 17, 1992 and is secured by properties of Wespack located in Spokane, Washington and Ogden, Utah. The 2,367,872 shares purchased by USREA and warrants to acquire an additional 6,087,422 shares were acquired by USREA in consideration for its help in securing a credit facility for Oppenheimer Ind. Inc. of $40,000,000. A commitment for such credit facility was delivered to Oppenheimer Ind. Inc. on July 3, 1990 from Meyers Investment.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

MOLEX INC OF LISLE, IL OWNS 716,666 SHARES (100.00%) OF BETA PHASE (TICKER: BETA) OF MENLO PARK, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 14, 1990, Molex exercised the warrant in full, and purchased 3,000,000 shares of common stock at $.30 per share and Molex applied $900,000 of the advance to the purchase price of these purchased shares. The beneficially- owned shares include series c preferred stock which is convertible into 3,583,330 shares of common stock.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY CHOCTAW SECURITIES LP OWNS 1,015,675 SHARES (11.80%) OF JUSTIN INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: JSTN) OF FT WORTH, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 23, 1990, the group members sent a letter to the board of directors of Justin Ind. Inc. concerning Justin Ind. Inc.'s proposed acquisition of Tony Lama Co. Inc. Choctaw Securities LP are requesting a meeting with Justin Ind. Inc. to discuss justifications for this proposed acquisition.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 3 and 22, 1990, Choctaw Securities LP purchased 20,200 shares at a price of $13.50 to $15.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Proposed acquisition.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

BAXTER INTL INC OF DEERFIELD, IL OWNS 1,021,374 SHARES (7.30%) OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC (TICKER: GENI) OF CAMBRIDGE, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Baxter currently does not intend to purchase additional shares of common stock but, it does intend to sell all or part of its investment in the shares.

PURPOSE:

Disposition of securities.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

PORTA SYSTEMS CORP OF SYOSSET, NY OWNS 613,396 SHARES (22.80%) OF NORTH HILLS ELECTRONICS INC (TICKER: NOHL) OF GLEN COVE, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a letter agreement, dated Aug. 23, 1990, PSC and North Hills Electronics Inc. have agreed that the date after which North Hills Electronics Inc. may terminate the agreement in principle, if North Hills Electronics has not received a fairness opinion respecting the acquisition by such date, shall be changed from Aug. 23, 1990 to Aug. 28, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Extension of termination date of agreement in principle.

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#90239c0012 08/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 26

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Aug. 21, 1990, Unitil (TICKER: UTL) calls EUA "guarantee" of savings to customers an "empty promise", and has repeatedly warned that EUA's impending financial problems related to its heavy investment in Seabrook were a motive in its attempted hostile acquisition. Unitil states that while EUA continues to make promises of lower costs in an effort to saddle our customers with their higher costs, we have delivered. Unitil has apologized to its customers for the confusion that they are experiencing over the future of their electric bills.

-30- 811
#90239c0013 08/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY IBL ACQUISITION LP OWNS 52,989,003 SHARES (99.10%) OF MOTEL 6 LP (TICKER: SIX) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Accor has been informed that 52,194,147 units were tendered pursuant to the offer and Accor acquired and additional 552,635 units pursuant to the acquisition agreement.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition.

-30- 526
#90239c0014 08/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 5,092,400 CLASS A SHARES (20.12%) OF MEDIA GENERAL INC (TICKER: MEG) OF RICHMOND, VA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 17 to Aug. 22, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 350,300 shares for $23.63 to $28.87 and sold 57,025 shares for $23.63 to $28.88

per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

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#90239c0016 08/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The stake is undeterminable from the filing, but remains unchanged from the previous amendment. Kolber's wife, Sandra, has resigned as a director of Cineplex Odeon Corp.(TICKER: CPX) and Andrew Parsons, vice president of finance and administration of Philotectron and senior vice president of finance of Claridge Inc. now serves as a director of Cineplex. On June 29, 1990, Universal City Studios Inc., a subsidiary of MCA Inc., agreed to purchase certain assets of Plitt Theaters Inc., a subsidiary of Cineplex Odeon Corp.

-30- 744
#90239c0017 08/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 17, 1990, Continental Insurance Co. ET AL acquired 330,000 shares for $100 per share from Central Maine Power Co.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 392
#90239c0018 08/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY INVESCO MIM PLC OWNS 1,072,024 SHARES (5.14%) OF KOREA FUND INC (TICKER: KF) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION: Invesco MIM PLC purchased 217,000 shares from July 20 to Aug. 8, 1990 for $18.54 to $22.79.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 458
#90239c0019 08/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY INVESCO MIM PLC OWNS 406,900 SHARES (8.12%) OF INDIA GROWTH FUND (TICKER: IGF) OF BOSTON, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Invesco MIM PLC purchased 15,000 shares on July 20, 1990 for $17.27 per share and purchased 60,100 shares from Feb. 26 to Mar. 1, 1990 for $13.95 to $16.29 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 537
#90239c0020 08/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.K. CASTLE OWNS 200,000 SHARES (8.30%) OF CRESCOTT INC (TICKER: CRCT) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.K. Castle acquired the shares in connection with the release of certain

claims and obligations pursuant to a settlement agreement dated Aug. 15, 1990, among J.K. Castle, Crescott Inc., Crescott Investment Associates, AAV Vending/Food Service Co., Kernel Corp., Castle Harlan Inc. and Harlan Co. Inc.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 643
#90239c0021 08/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

R.E. SAMET OWNS 270,000 SHARES (4.60%) OF ALPHA 1 BIOMEDICALS INC (TICKER: ALBM) OF WASHINGTON, D.C..

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.E. Samet percentage ownership has fallen below 5 percent due to the private placement of 1.3 million issues in Jan. and Feb. 1990 and 1 million shares in June 1990.

-30- 492
#90239c0022 08/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

POLY VENTURES LP OWNS 21,975,027 SHARES (73.30%) OF SMARTCARD INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: SMRT).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Since the filing of amendment no. 2 to its schedule 13D, Poly Ventures LP purchased 600 series A preferred stock, convertible into 4.8 million common shares, for $600,000.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 528
#90239c0024 08/27/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STANDARD CHARTERED BANK OWNS 1,423,488 SHARES (6.20%) OF MAXTOR CORP (TICKER: MXTR) OF SAN JOSE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Standard Chartered Bank acquired 1,423,488 shares on June 30, 1990 from Maxtor Corp. pursuant to an asset purchase agreement dated Apr. 30, 1990 in connection with Maxtor Corp.'s acquisition of the assets and certain liabilities of MiniScribe out of bankruptcy, in which Standard Chartered Bank was the secured creditor. Standard Chartered Bank held a $110 million secured position in MiniScribe, in which it received $20 million in shares, $20,685,071 in cash and $4.5 million in assets.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 854
#90239c0025 08/27/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

STATESWEST AIRLINES INC OWNS 67,812 SHARES (4.10%) OF MESA AIRLINES INC (TICKER: MESA) OF FARMINGTON, NM.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Statewest Airlines Inc. sold 30,000 shares on Aug. 16, 1990 for $7.75 to $8.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 461
#90239c0026 08/27/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY PLENUM PUBLISHING CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 681,000 SHARES

(8.90%) OF GRADCO SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: GRCO) OF SANTA ANA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Plenum Publishing Corp. intend to nominate one or more candidates to the board at Gradco Systems Inc.'s annual meeting on Aug. 31, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Plenum Publishing Corp. purchased 80,500 shares from Jan. 26 to Aug. 21, 1990 for $4.63 to $8.50 per share.

-30- 635
#90239c0027 08/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 25

INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWNS 4,093,445 CLASS A SHARES (51.00%) OF EVEREST & JENNINGS INTL INC (TICKER: EJ) OF CAMARILLO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

IEP is currently extending on a day to day basis the maturity on $14.1 million in notes issued to E&J. IEP has no obligations to provide further funds under its previously disclosed indication that it was willing to invest up to an additional $15 million upon specified terms ($6 million of which has already been provided). IEP is presently exploring its options.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 787
#90239c0028 08/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

A.O. SULZBERGER OWNS 8,243,722 CLASS A SHARES (10.82%) OF THE NEW YORK TIMES CO (TICKER: NYT) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 1, 1990, A.O. Sulzberger received 750,000 shares as a trustee of

the Heiskell Trust and distributed 4,500 class B shares, convertible into 4,500 class A shares, as coexecutor of the estate of Iphaagene Ochs Sulzberger.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

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#90239c0029 08/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

M.S. HEISKELL OWNS 6,697,608 CLASS A SHARES (8.80%) OF THE NEW YORK TIMES CO (TICKER: NYT) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 1, 1990, M.S. Heiskell created the Heiskell Trust and transferred 750,000 shares to Arthur Ochs Sulzberger as trustee.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

-30- 494
#90239c0030 08/27/1990 ~Comtex
LONDON (AUG. 20) UPI - Oxford and Cambridge may be Britain's best-known centers of higher learning, but some say the course of study is every bit as demanding at a more mundane campus: the Public Carriage Office.

The PCO, a drab concrete building in central London, is where the 2,000 people who apply each year to become London cabbies are grilled on ''The Knowledge,'' their familiarity with the city's narrow and twisted streets, many unchanged since the days of horse-drawn carriages.

''It's harder than going to university,'' said Morris Cole, a 25-year-old ''knowledge boy,'' as the apprentices are called. He already has spent two years cruising London streets on a motorcycle equipped with a clipboard to keep track of which of the required 468 routes he has covered.

''You devote 10 hours a day to it. It controls your whole life,'' said Cole, whose father tried to become a cabbie, but gave up because he was unable to master ''The Knowledge.''

The knowledge boys sit for oral exams at the PCO at two- to 12-week intervals until they convince the examiners, mainly retired police officers, they know the 113-square-mile heart of London cold and are familiar with the suburbs.

''It's like an electric chair when you go and sit down there,'' Tariq Dean who has been training for 18 months, said of the 15-minute question-and-answer sessions.

''I've seen grown men coming out of here crying their eyes out,'' Cole said.

Geography is only part of the exam, which would-be cabbies generally pass after 2 1/2 years of study. The examiners, by acting ornery themselves, teach trainees to be civil to the most crochety passenger.

''They treat us like animals, like a pet. They can swear at you and you can't say anything. They can tear you apart. They can ruin your life,'' said Dean, 25, sporting a yellow muscle shirt, sweatpants, a gold earring and Reeboks.

If Dean were to turn up for an exam in his customary casual dress, he would be thrown out. Suits are de rigeur and the knowledge boys must address their examiners as ''Sir.''

''If you were wild when you started, by the time you finish 'The Knowledge' you are so soft you are like butter,'' Cole said.

At a time when British pundits and politicians are agonizing over their island nation's low productivity and poor vocational training - especially in comparison with industrious Germany - the dedication and rigorous training of London taxi drivers stands out.

The apprentices say the hard work is worthwhile, because a cabdriver's badge is a ticket to independence and prosperity.

Drivers are cagey about their earnings, but, if the articles about golfing fine wines and lush Caribbean holiday spots in taxi trade magazines are any indication, London's 20,500 cabbies are doing fine.

''I am attracted to the freedom of the job,'' said Tony Noonan, 23, a husky red-headed Irishman who has been learning ''The Knowledge'' for 15 months. ''You are learning a trade.''

Unlike licensing schemes in many other cities, London works on a merit system. Costing just 65 pounds, the equivalent of $123, cabbie badges are not restricted by quota, but are issued to anyone who has learned ''The Knowledge.'' Ordinarily, that is about 700 applicants a year.

London cabbies, who trace their trade back to 1654, when rebel leader Oliver Cromwell passed an ordinance licensing 250 hackney cabs in London, view their confreres in other cities with contempt.

''We know where we are going, unlike cab drivers in New York who do not even know their way to the airport,'' said Michael Flack, a 20-year veteran of the fleet.

But there are a few potholes on the road traveled by this group of independent working-class professionals.

One pet peeve is the rise of minicabs, unregulated cabs that respond to telephone orders for a taxi but cannot pick up fares from the streets.

''The enemy!'' exclaimed Noonan at the mention of minicabs, spitting to make his point.

Some cabbies also chafe at the strait-laced propriety of the PCO, the wing of the Metropolitian Police that regulates licensed taxis.

''The Public Carriage Office is a very Victorian setup,'' said David Nathan, who has spent five years behind the wheel.

A more serious problem is Britain's byzantine social security system, which penalizes unemployed workers who choose to learn ''The Knowledge'' while on the dole.

''I get hassled by social services,'' said Dean, who decided to study for a taxi badge when he was laid off from his job as a leather worker.

Dean said welfare workers wanted him to stop training and look for work as a manual laborer ''planting flowers or something.''

''It's silly, because if he was in college they would pay him to study,'' said fellow trainee Morris.

But neither cut-rate minicabs nor shortsighted civil servants have deterred Dean and his mates. After a chat, they pull on their helmets, fasten their clipboards, and disappear on their bikes to memorize more highways and byways.

They are eager to learn what Nathan called ''the most interesting and varied job in the world.''

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#90239c0032 08/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:18 that trade in First Chattanooga Financial Corp.(NASDAQ: FCHT) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 14 1/4. The company is located in Chattanooga, TN.

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#90239d0060 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AGANA, GUAM (AUG. 27) - U.S. searchers Monday spotted a yacht carrying 17 people that had radioed for help when it was hit by rough seas on the fringes of a tropical storm off of this U.S. Pacific territory.

The Royal Taipan, a minesweeper converted to a cruise yacht, was sailing from the Philippines to Saipan when it ran into Tropical Storm Abe and radioed for help Saturday, the coast guard said.

A C-130 search and rescue plane from Hawaii spotted the Royal Taipan about 200 kilometers (125 miles) east-northeast of Yap, an island of the Federated States of Micronesia, said Lieutenant Kent Youel, a coast guard spokesman in Honolulu.

All aboard were safe, he said, and a patrol boat had been sent from Yap to take the boat in tow.

Communication was lost Sunday night just after the crew of 17, including 14 Filipinos, reported the Royal Taipan was being hit by eight-meter (25-foot) high seas and 80 kph (50 mph) winds, he said.

The vessel, owned by Honolulu-based Windjammer Cruises, was to be refurbished in Saipan for cruises.

-30- 1257

#90239d0120 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANAA (AUG. 27) - Thousands of Yemenis staged a demonstration in the city of Taez Monday to protest the buildup of foreign forces in the Gulf and United Nations sanctions against Iraq, witnesses reported.

Demonstrators carried portraits of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as well as of the former Egyptian president and fervent Arab nationalist Gamal Abdel Nasser.

An ally of Baghdad, Yemen abstained from an Arab summit resolution August 10 that condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and approved the deployment of Arab troops in Saudi Arabia.

In a related development Yemeni President Ali Abdallah Saleh received a message Monday concerning the Gulf crisis from Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev,

official sources said.

-30- 922
#90239d0270 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 27) - A block of the Soviet Chernobyl nuclear power plant was switched off Monday after an electrical unit was found to be faulty, the government newspaper Izvestia reported.

The paper said block three of the Ukrainian plant was stopped because the incident partly affected control functions. There had been no ''violation of safety standards'', it said. The cause of the incident was not immediately clear.

The reactor was the site of the world's worst civilian nuclear accident in April 1986. At least 30 people died as a result of the accident which spread a cloud of radioactivity over Europe.

-30- 785
#90239d1050 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VIENNA (AUG. 27) - Ten of the 13 member states in the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) have agreed to temporarily increase oil production to compensate for world shortages caused by the economic embargo of Iraq and occupied Kuwait, Opec sources here said.

The sources said an official announcement was being held back until the arrival of the Libyan oil minister, expected Tuesday.

The agreement was forged in informal talks in Vienna attended by all Opec members except Iraq and Libya. Kuwait, invaded by Iraqi armed forces August 2, was represented by its exiled finance minister, Sheikh Ali al-Khalifa al-Sabah.

Iran was the only member attending to oppose a higher production quota, the sources said.

Under the agreement, 11 Opec members would increase production to supply world markets with an additional 4.6 million barrels per day of crude oil, according to the sources.

That is the amount lost from Iraqi and Kuwaiti fields due to the trade embargo adopted by the United Nations Security Council on August 6 and aimed at forcing Baghdad to withdraw from Kuwait.

After the Gulf crisis is settled, the agreement foresees returning production to the lower ceiling agreed by the cartel in May to stabilise prices, which at the time had fallen to 18 dollars a barrel.

The sources said the decision to raise production could negate the need for an Opec special session beginning Tuesday that had reportedly been agreed on earlier Monday.

Saudi Arabia had proposed that the informal talks, convened to review the market situation after the Gulf crisis sent prices beyond 31 dollars per barrel, be converted into a formal extraordinary session.

A decision to convert the talks here into a special session needs the backing of at least seven Opec members.

In New York, crude prices plummeted by 10 percent and more on the Mercantile Exchange Monday amid signs that the Gulf face-off may not immediately turn into a shooting war.

West Texas Intermediate fell 3.26 dollars to 27.65 dollars a barrel for a 10.5 percent drop from Friday.

At the height of tensions last week prices for October contracts were running as high as 32.25 dollars per barrel - a seven-year high.

Monday's drop was attributed to the current lull in the Gulf and to anticipated production hikes by Saudi Arabia and Venezuela along with the informal Opec talks in Vienna.

-30- 2636

#90239d1240 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 27) - France and its European partners are to ask the U.N. Security Council to deal with Iraqi disruption of foreign embassies in Kuwait,
a French foreign ministry communique said Monday.

France will ask that "a United Nations mission go to Kuwait to contribute to the re-establishment of the normal functioning of diplomatic missions and guarantee their inviolability," the communique said.

The communique listed Iraqi acts the French Embassy such as its encirclement by Iraqi troops, the cutting off of its electricity and the destruction of its perimeter wall.

It said that, faced with an escalating situation, France reserved the right to take any necessary steps.

The communique also noted the French decision, announced earlier in the day,
to send French combat helicopters to Saudi Arabia.

-30- 1025

#90239d1490 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (AUG. 27) - Attorney General Alfonso Gomez conceded in an interview published Monday that human rights abuses had been committed by members of the armed forces, but he said it was not government policy.

"We can't deny that people linked to the armed forces, in isolated cases, have violated human rights. But this is not the policy of the government," he said.

So far this year, the Justice Department has received 176 reports of missing persons and 68 involving torture, Gomez said in an interview with El Tiempo daily newspaper.

He said an investigation showed some members of the armed forces had singled out for human rights abuses people they believed to be critical of the military.

-30- 897

#90239d1550 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (AUG 27) - World number one Steffi Graf was chased off court at the US Open here Monday by an approaching thunderstorm.

Play was suspended on the stadium court as lightning became visible and winds picked up.

The West German was leading Canada's Maureen Drake 4-1 in the first set at the time.

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#90239d1610 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH, WEST GERMANY (AUG 27) - West German auto-maker BMW expects higher production this year, more than 520,000 units as against last year's 511,476, the firm announced on Monday.

Chairman Robert Bucher said that BMW (Bayerische Motoren Werke) was now operating at peak output.

Output was up by three percent for the first seven months of the year, with 328,000 vehicles and 19,700 motorcycles, he said.

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#90239d7070 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (AUG 27) - About a dozen people were injured and six others detained after some 500 South Korean baseball fans rioted in anger over their team's loss during a night game here, press reports said Monday.

Haetae Tiger fans ripped apart seats and jumped into the diamond, throwing cans and bottles at the stand, when their team allowed seven runs to the rival Lucky-Goldstar Twins at the end of the 7th inning in Sunday night's game.

The hour-long rampage ended as riot police rushed to the scene to restore order, press reports said. The game resumed and the Twins went on to win 13-1.

President Roh Tae-Woo on Monday deplored the violence and ordered his interior minister, Ahn Eung-Mo, to severely punish the rioters.

A presidential spokesman quoted Mr. Roh as saying that it was inadmissible for such violence to occur in a country which successfully hosted the Olympic Games in 1988.

The Haetae Tigers is from the southwestern province of Cholla, while the Lucky Goldstar Twins hails from the rival southeastern province of Kyongsang.

-30- 1235

#90239d7150 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAGOSHIMA, JAPAN (AUG 27) - Japanese scientists on Monday launched a small rocket that released a device to study ozone density and ultraviolet ray levels, officials said.

Officials at Japan's Institute of Space Science said the MT-135 rocket was successfully launched at 11:10 a.m. (0210GMT) from the Uchinoura Space Observation Center in Kagoshima, southern Japan.

After reaching an altitude of 60 kilometers (36 miles), the rocket released a 4.8-kilogram ozone sonde which measured ozone density and ultraviolet ray levels for 45 minutes, they said.

The rocket is 3.3 meters (11 feet) long, 13.5 centimeters (5.3 inches) in diameter and weighs 0.7 tons, officials said.

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#90239d7160 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 27) - Benguet Corporation, the largest Philippine mining firm, suffered a 22.8 percent drop in its consolidated net income in the first half of this year, the firm's accounting office said here Monday.

Benguet also incurred a six percent drop in its gross income and a 1.4 per cent increase in operating costs and expenses, Benguet accountants said.

The consolidated net income in the first half of 1990 hit 156 million pesos (6.64 million dollars) while gross income fell to 1.927 billion pesos (82 million dollars.)

The firm enjoyed a 202.1 million peso (9.27 million dollar) net income in the first half of 1989 while gross income hit 2.05 billion pesos (94.04 million dollars.)

Benguet officials attributed the fall in income to low metal prices and lower gold production in that period.

Benguet also saw its operating costs and expenses rise to 1.611 billion pesos (68.55 million dollars) in the first half of 1990 from 1.588 billion pesos (72.84 million dollars) in the same period last year.

Benguet, which has also diversified into construction and agriculture, posted a net income of 342.3 million pesos (15.25 million dollars) in 1989 along with a gross income of 3.976 billion pesos (177.2 million dollars) with operating costs at 3.243 billion pesos (144.5 million dollars.)

-30- 1526

#90239d7200 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STONG, Cambodia (AUG. 27) - Cambodian government troops last week repulsed a joint resistance offensive on this besieged central town that has become a key element in the power play between government and anti-government forces, local official said.

Stong has a key location on strategically important Highway 6, which links Kompong Thom, in central Cambodia, to Siem Reap, about 200 kilometers (125 miles) to the northwest, across the northern shore of the country's biggest lake, Tonle Sap.

At least 20 of the rebel force of about 300 were killed and 55 wounded in the attack Thursday, said Ros Sarim, the local boss of the Cambodian Communist Party.

Government casualties in the attack Thursday were one dead and two wounded, he said.

"The enemy belonged to all three factions of the opposition," the party official said, "but the Khmer Rouge was the main component."

The Beijing-backed Khmer Rouge is the most powerful element in military

terms of the Cambodian resistance coalition, which also includes the non-Marxist followers of former ruler Prince Norodom Sihanouk and ex-premier Son Sann.

It was the third attack in as many months on this town about 50 km (31 miles) west of Kompong Thom.

Khmer Rouge forces occupied Stong for several days after an offensive last month.

Stong, a small town, of no particular importance other than its strategic location at a crossroads on the dusty, bumpy trail dubbed Highway 6, has become a major target of the resistance coalition.

"The opposition wants to occupy Stong at all costs to demonstrate that it is capable of seizing and holding a locality in the center of the country, and not only in regions close to the frontier" with Thailand, explained Kampong Thom Governor Khieu Horl.

-30- 1958

#90239d7280 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG (AUG 27) - The Frankfurter Allgemeine newspaper Monday commenting on the international pressure on Iraq said (in part): ''It is becoming lonely for Saddam Hussein. Will he give in?

''He is, probably, more frightened of doing so than of waging a war. Innumerable Iraqis in the army and in the security services are waiting for the chance to topple the despot whose hands are covered with blood.

''If, in the face of America's military might, Saddam Hussein withdraws ignominiously from Kuwait, his last hour could sound in Baghdad.

''But what will happen to him if he hangs on to his Kuwaiti booty? The ropes of the blockade will not then loosen around his country''.

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#90239d7450 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 27) - A tanker truck ploughed into a line of stationary cars on a national highway north of Durbann killing 14 persons and injuring nine, state-run radio said Monday.

The report said the truck overturned and caught fire, trapping several of the victims in their vehicles.

The accident occurred late Sunday. The cars had stopped because of another traffic accident when the truck hit them, the radio said.

-30- 623
#90239d7470 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (AUG. 27) - Australia's New South Wales (NSW) State Bank will be sold within five years, state premier Nick Greiner said Monday.

Mr. Greiner was speaking a day after Treasurer Paul Keating announced that the federal government-owned Commonwealth Bank would pay 1.6 billion Australian dollars (1.3 billion U.S.) for the debt-ridden State Bank of Victoria (SBV).

Mr. Greiner told reporters here that unlike its Victoria state counterpart, the NSW State Bank was in sound financial condition.

The premier of the eastern state said NSW State Bank would be sold within five years and that its price tag would be "around one billion dollars (840 million U.S.) -- plus or minus a few hundred million dollars."

The success of the NSW State Bank meant it required new equity which the government could not provide, he said.

"Those that are unsuccessful like the SBV need to be bailed out and those that are successful like NSW will need equity capital.

"So in either case I don't see any state government owning a financial institution by the end of the decade," Mr. Greiner said.

Mr. Keating created a political storm within the ruling Labor party when he announced that the Commonwealth Bank would receive a 30 per cent private equity injection to finance its purchase of the SBV.

The Labor party's platform opposes privatisation, although the issue will be debated at a special party conference next month.

The SBV lost 795 million dollars (662 million U.S.) in the six months to December 31, largely due to high-risk lending by its merchant banking arm Tricontinental.

The NSW State Bank posted a 55.4 million dollar (46 million U.S.) net profit in the year to June 1989.

-30- 1919
#90239d7500 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BELGRADE (AUG. 27) - Sixty-five bodies have been located in the Kreka lignite mine, western Yugoslavia, where all 178 miners buried after a gas explosion late Saturday are believed to have perished, the news agency

Tanjug reported Monday.

The discovery of the 65 bodies puts the death toll at 73, but rescue workers said the remaining miners were unlikely to have survived.

Rescue workers had earlier been able to retrieve the bodies of eight miners about 100 metres (325 feet) from the mine's exit, Tanjug said.

Removing the 65 bodies from the wrecked mineshaft "is impossible at the moment," the mine's supervisor Bosko Zelic said, adding that rescue workers wanted to make the mine safe before going further in.

The high temperature and pockets of gas in the mineshaft after the explosion have hampered the rescue effort, and there were still fears that another gas explosion might occur, Belgrade radio said Monday.

The explosion about midnight on Saturday is believed to have been caused by an accumulation of methane gas or soot at the mine in Kreka, about 200 kilometres (130 miles) southwest of here. The miners had resumed work Friday after a three-week strike.

The blast destroyed the mine's two ventilation shafts and the concrete structure at the entrance of the mine.

Rescue workers aided by sophisticated equipment were working in small groups but progress was difficult, Belgrade radio said.

A three-day period of mourning has been decreed in Bosnia-Herzegovine, the Yugoslav republic where the Dobrnja-Kreka mine is located.

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#90239d7540 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 27) - The West German government Monday put a brake on German participation in foreign missile projects.

Official approval is now needed for Germans joining in the development, production or testing of missiles, as well as the construction of specially-produced parts and the development of computer programmes.

Bonn justified its new foreign trade ordinance by the ''considerable damage to foreign relations'' done by the involvement of German experts in missile projects in Iraq, Egypt and Argentina.

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#90239d7570 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 27) - Saudi Arabia will boost September deliveries of crude

oil to Japan by 210,000 barrels a day to reach 460,000 barrels, the Middle East Economic Survey (MEES) reported here Monday.

The influential weekly newsletter said five Japanese customers, Nippon Oil,

Idemitsu, Cosmo, Mitsubishi and Kyodo Oil, were notified of the increase by the Saudi oil company ARAMCO last week.

Other Western buyers are also likely to receive September increases in Saudi oil supplies of around 20 to 25 percent, according to MEES.

Key members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries were meanwhile holding consultations in Vienna to consider the convocation of a formal session, which would take an official decision on boosting output in light of the Gulf crisis.

An embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil exports is expected to leave a shortfall on world markets of around 4.2 million barrels a day.

MEES said six of the 13 OPEC members, Saudi Arabia, Venezuela, the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Qatar and Ecuador, favor an increase in production, while Iraq, Iran and Libya are firmly opposed.

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#90239d7630 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (AUG. 27) - Hong Kong is developing into a major regional center as an operational base for overseas companies, with more firms establishing headquarters than those which are leaving, the government reported here Monday.

Hong Kong Director of Industry T.H. Barma, announcing the results of a survey of regional headquarters in the British colony, reported that an average of 59 new regional headquarters had been established each year in Hong Kong between 1985 and 1989.

Even last year's political turbulence in China had not put off 22 companies from establishing a regional base in the colony during the second half of the year. In the first quarter of 1990, 18 new regional headquarters were set up, he reported.

''Hong Kong is becoming an increasingly important regional center for overseas companies,'' Barma said.

He said that 572 overseas companies, or almost one-sixth of the total 3,195 firms surveyed, were using the colony as a regional headquarters.

The survey results run contrary to fears that the 1997 Chinese takeover of

Hong Kong would trigger an exodus of companies.

It showed that only 29 regional headquarters have left since 1980. Almost half of them went to Singapore, which is regarded as the biggest competitor to Hong Kong in the region.

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#90239d7700 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Beijing (AUG. 27) - More than 180 people have died in typhoon Yancy which swept China's south-eastern coast, according to figures published here Monday.

The death toll in the worst-hit Fujian province alone was put at 111. More than four million people were made homeless, the China Daily newspaper said.

Deaths were also reported from Guangdong and Zhejiang provinces. Material damage was estimated at 590 million yuan (130 million dollars).

Thousands of dykes, hundreds of bridges and large areas of farm land were destroyed.

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#90239d7850 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LEVERKUSEN (AUG. 27) - Bayer chemical company said Monday its earnings slumped badly in the first half of 1990 due to declining sales prices and lower revenues resulting from the rise in the Deutschmark's value.

Bayer said its world group pre-tax profits fell 9.5 percent to about 2 billion D-marks (1.29 billion dollars), with the parent firm's earnings coming to 1.1 billion D-marks, down 10.4 percent.

World group turnover reached 21.8 billion D-marks in the first six months, down 3.7 percent on the same period of 1989.

Bayer noted that the turnover figure fell despite a two percent rise in the actual volume of chemicals sold. But lower sales prices and the dollar's decline had cut into turnover and earnings.

For example, Bayer's subsidiaries in the United States had increased their sales turnover in dollar terms by five percent, but the figures when converted into D-marks were down by six percent from the year-ago figures, the company said.

In Japan, sales denominated in yen had risen by seven percent, but when converted into D-marks, they were down by 16 percent.

''Due to the changed currency exchange rates, competition on international markets has become tougher for us,'' Bayer said.

The company said that for the year it did not expect to be able to match its 1989 record figures - turnover of 4.3 billion D-marks and group pre-tax profits of 4.1 billion D-marks - but that it did believe it would achieve the second-best levels in 1988, when turnover was 40.5 billion D-marks and earnings 3.8 billion.

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#90239d7990 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 27) - Communist officials from Leningrad have appealed to the central organization to subsidize Pravda, the party's official organ, in a bid to prevent a drastic drop in subscriptions when prices are raised next year.

"The scheduled increase in the price of Pravda newspaper will considerably reduce the number of its subscribers, and the party will consequently lose its influence over people and society," the city officials said in a letter published Monday on the front page of Pravda.

"This cannot be allowed, all the more so when anti-communist trends are on the increase (and) one even sees attempts to outlaw the CPSU (Communist Party of the Soviet Union)," the officials said.

The Communist party's Central Committee should subsidize the newspaper, the officials added.

Prices for all newspapers and magazines are due to be drastically increased in 1991. The yearly subscription for Pravda, now 9.24 rubles, is scheduled to rise to 19.92 rubles (32 dollars at the meaningless official rate) next year.

Pravda currently prints 7.7 million copies a day.

Last year, the communist party newspaper lost a third of its subscribers with readership falling to 6.5 million.

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#90239d8170 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAMPALA (AUG. 28) - Islamic fundamentalists who seized the Uganda Muslim Council Headquarters in Kampala last Tuesday have defied President Yoweri Museveni's order to quit the premises.

President Museveni had ordered them to leave during a meeting with leaders

of the rebel Muslim group on Saturday.

A statement about the President's directive nearly sparked off violence in the old Kampala mosque Sunday as 1,000 youths accused a Muslim administrator Rajab Kakooza of corruption and mismanagement of council funds.

The Muslims who account for 7-10 percent of Uganda's population named an interim administrator to run the affairs of the council for at least three years pending elections.

Meanwhile intern doctors at Mulago hospital in Kampala went on strike Saturday to press for an increase in allowances and better facilities in their residence.

The interns numbering about 40 comprise a major workforce in the hospital currently facing a shortage of doctors.

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#90239d8230 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (AUG. 27) - A group of National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) rebels apparently planning to attack West African peace-keeping forces by sea late Sunday have been captured, the Ghana News Agency reported Monday.

The news agency, quoting its correspondent with the Economic Community of West African States cease-fire monitoring group (ECOMOG) said the Nigerian navy ship Damisa which was on patrol in Liberian territorial waters arrested the 27 rebels, seven of them women.

A cache of arms, explosives and hand grenades was found on board their 35-foot (11 metre) trawler, the correspondent said.

It is believed the rebels were planning an attack on a fleet of naval and passenger ships which the peace-keeping forces used to dock at the Monrovia freeport Friday.

Ship commander Tunde Adekeye told reporters that when he asked the captain of the fishing trawler to identify himself he was told that no ship from another country had the right to ask such a question.

They arrested him and the other passengers for questioning.

Meanwhile, ECOMOG forces late Saturday fought a pocket of resistance from Charles Taylor's NPFL to take control of Clara Town a few kilometers (miles) from the port and just north of the Monrovia city center.

The ECOMOG forces have mounted checkpoints at vantage areas of the town to

check rebel activity.

Monrovia was reported calm Sunday with several residents roaming the war-torn capital in search of scarce food.

ECOMOG troops have been seen sharing their rations with Liberians.

"For the past three months I have been living on greens and water," one man said.

A woman with two small children begged the troops for food, saying they had not eaten for a week.

Clara Town, a former active business area, was deserted Monday. Vehicles lining the streets were either smashed or burned, and most building were riddled with bullets, the agency said.

In the Gambian capital Banjul, follow-up peace talks to bring an end to the eight-month bloody civil war in Liberia was set to start Monday with its negotiating powers crippled by the absence of embattled President Samuel K. Doe and rebel leader Charles Taylor.

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#90239d8290 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DANANE, LVORY COAST (AUG. 27) - Liberian rebels arrested an American journalist at the weekend, accusing him of spying, and put him through a mock execution.

Steven Smith, 35, reporting for the French paper Liberation, was picked up Saturday night with eight other Western journalists as they were heading for Harbel, 36 miles (60 kilometres) from the capital Monrovia. Rebel leader Charles Taylor, who has his headquarters at Harbel, and a rebel escort stopped the three vehicles the journalists were travelling in near Robertsfield international airport.

Mr. Taylor said he had proof that Mr. Smith was a ''spy'', and ordered him to be taken away. The highly excitable bodyguards pushed and shoved the other journalists as they protested, and took them back to their residence.

Mr. Smith, who had been in rebel territory for three weeks, reappeared on Sunday and said he had been asked to leave. He recounted how, on the way to Harbel for questioning, his guard, named Larwah Boyou, stopped at the side of the road and told Mr. Smith to kneel down. The rebel aimed at the nape of his neck and fired two shots over the prisoner's shoulder.

AII the other journalists, seven French and one British, who had been reporting on the Liberian civil war from rebel areas, decided to leave

after the incident and arrived here at the border with Ivory Coasy late Sunday with Mr. Smith.

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#90239d8300 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NANTOU, TAIWAN (AUG. 27) - Rescue workers Monday fished 11 more bodies from central Taiwan's Sun Moon Lake, bringing the death toll from a weekend ferry accident to 32, with 23 others missing and feared dead, police said.

The dead included six foreigners and 11 children; two other foreigners -- a Briton and a Malaysian -- were among the missing, said officer Yen Ching-en of Teh Hwa Police Station.

He identified the foreigners as Sally Aylwin, 46, the British wife of Shell Oil Company Taiwan branch director Charles Aylwin; Shell trading manager Bruce Robson, 48; six-year-old Robert Crossman, the son of Shell Taiwan Ltd. president John Crossman, and three ethnic Chinese Malaysians whose identities were not immediately available.

The cause of the accident is still under investigation, but some survivors said the overloaded ferry capsized while turning, while others said it was overturned by strong winds.

Police identified the missing Briton as Julie Crossman, 44, the wife of Shell Taiwan Ltd.'s president, who survived the accident. The identity of the missing Malaysian was not available.

Mr. Yen said 34 people, including six Britons, two Malaysians and an Australian, were either rescued or managed to swim ashore.

The unlicensed 60-seat boat, with 89 people on board, capsized at around 9:40 p.m. (1340 GMT) Saturday, the eve of Chinese Valentine's Day.

Most of those on board were employees of Shell Taiwan Ltd. and their families on a night cruise on Sun Moon Lake, a scenic spot in central Nantou County.

Taiwan's worst previous boating accident was in April 1977, when 32 people drowned in a vessel that capsized off Suao Harbor, in the northeast.

Taiwan Shell Ltd. was virtually empty Monday, with only seven of the company's 46 executives and employees reporting for work.

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#90239d8510 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Kathmandu (AUG. 27) - A royal Nepalese Boeing 757 left here Monday for

Amman to airlift 130 Nepalese who fled Kuwait to Jordan, foreign minstry sources said.

Between 800 and 1,200 Nepaalese are working in Kuwait, which was invaved and annexed by Iraq early this month.

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#90239d8900 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (AUG. 27) - Returned boat people, demobilized veterans of the Cambodian war and school leavers are creating major headaches for officials charged with finding job openings for Vietnam's six million unemployed.

More than one million people will flood onto the job market every year, Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs official Nghiem Xuan Tue said in an interview here, citing this poverty-stricken country's population of around 65 million people and annual birth rate of 2.12 percent.

The ministry has launched a programme aimed at alleviating the "very urgent and difficult problem" of unemployment but it is a daunting task with six million people looking for permanent work - 20 percent of the labour force.

In the meantime, most of the millions of jobless must fend for themselves as the government does not have funds to offer them welfare, Mr. Tue said, adding that support was given only to the half million state employed workers forced into redundancy.

Each year it spends millions of dollars caring for the victims of decades of war against the French colonialists, the Japanese, U.S. and South Vietnamese soldiers and the resistance alliance in Cambodia.

Vietnam announced in September that it had withdrawn the last of its troops from Cambodia almost 11 years after they ousted a genocidal Khmer Rouge regime.

But with no more fighting to be done, the army - the fifth largest in the world with an estimated 1.3 million personnel in 1989 - is being cut and last year 500,000 soldiers were demobilised and released onto the job market.

Mr. Tue said positions must be found for these men as well as the growing number of Vietnamese boat people who are opting to return home voluntarily from places such as Hong Kong, Thailand and Malaysia.

Last Wednesday a group of 94 Vietnamese flew home from Hong Kong bringing the number of volunteers to be repatriated from the British colony since March 1989 to almost 4,100, with the adults looking for work in their

fresh start.

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#90239d8970 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEL AVIV (AUG 27) - Israel's Moslem population grew twice as fast as the Jewish population in 1989 and now accounts for 14.4 per cent of the country's 4,561,000 residents, figures released Monday by the Central Bureau of Statistics revealed.

The Jewish population of 3,717,000, which accounts for 81.5 per cent of the total, rose by 1.6 per cent over 1988, while the 655,000 Moslems showed a rate of increase of 3.2 per cent. The 107,000 Christians accounted for 2.2 per cent of the population, while the 80,000 Druze comprised 1.8 per cent.

Though the figures include the 70,000 Jewish settlers in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, the 1.5 million Palestinians living there are not counted. The 1989 figures also exclude most of the Soviet Jewish immigrants to Israel, only 12,000 of whom arrived in 1989, compared to some 80,000 so far this year.

Israeli Premier Itzhak Shamir predicted Monday that Israel's Jewish population would grow by one million by the end of the century because of Soviet Jewish immigration. Shamir said that despite the many diplomatic and political problems facing the country absorbing the immigrants ''was Israel's greatest challenge''.

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#90239d9130 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUCHAREST (AUG. 27) - About 10,000 construction workers in Brasov, in central Romania, have gone on strike and are demanding a meeting with Prime Minister Petre Roman to protest the country's ailing economy, trade union sources said Monday.

They were speaking by telephone from Brasov, at the local headquarters of the Infratirea union federation which is leading the strike action and which has about 160,000 members nationally.

The union says measures adopted by the Romanian government to turn around the economy have so far not worked. It has also complained of problems facing industries lacking raw materials. It says an economic turnaround in Romania requires a minimum income guarantee and the freezing of prices.

Tractorul, the mechanical construction company where the 10,000 are striking, employs a total of about 18,700 workers.

Last Tuesday, Infratirea staged a 24-hour strike after the collapse of

negotiations with a government commission that had come to Brasov. It is now demanding a meeting with Mr. Roman.

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#90239d9320 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG 27) - A bitter row among political parties in Bonn and East Berlin over a unified abortion law threatens the signing of a planned state treaty between the two Germanys that would seal the long-awaited German unification.

The West German opposition Social Democrats oppose Bonn Chancellor Helmut Kohl's plan that different abortion laws in the two Germanys be allowed to co-exist during a one-year period after unity.

Kohl needs the Spd's backing to muster the two-thirds majority in parliament needed to approve the unity treaty which deals with all financial and legal aspects of German unification.

But the Spd threatens to vote against the pact unless a satisfactory

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~HL:U.S. TREASURY BILL YIELDS MIXED AT MONDAY'S REGULAR AUCTION

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) UPI - Yields were mixed on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Monday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $9.235 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 7.49 percent, down from 7.55 percent last week and the lowest since Aug. 13, when the auction yielded 7.41 percent.

The government also sold $9.236 billion of 26-week bills Monday at an average discount of 7.48 percent, up from 7.45 percent last week and the highest since July 16 when the rate stood at 7.52 percent.

The investment rate was 7.74 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,810.70 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26-week bill was 7.88 percent at an average of $9,621.80 per $10,000.

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#90239d9530 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Canberra (AUG. 27) - The Australian Overseas Telecommunications Authority (Otc) has won a contract worth 200 million U.S. dollars to develop the telecommunications network in Vietnam, it was officially announced here Monday.

The contract is for ten years during which Otc will ensure that Vietnam can meet the rapidly expanding demand for communications with the rest of the

world.

Australian Communications and Transport Minister Kim Beazley described the deal as the largest overseas telecommunications project his country has ever won. Otc would construct two digital international telephone exchanges in Vietnam which should be operational by 1992.

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#90239d9560 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Munich (AUG. 27) - The West German carmaker Bayerische Motorenwerke (Bmw), denying a magazine report about a prospective decline in output, said here Monday it expected its production to rise to a new record of almost 520,000 vehicles.

A spokesman said that factories were running at ''full capacity'' as production was heading for a 5.7 percent increase over the record output in 1989 of 511,476 vehicles.

In the first seven months, Bmw's output had reached 328,000, up three percent on the same period of 1989, he said.

The spokesman was denying a report by the monthly publication Industriemagazin that Bmw was facing a production cutback due to a dramatic drop in sales.

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#90239d9950 08/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 27) - Iraqi occupation forces, apparently seeking to avoid military action against western embassies that might trigger an attack by U.S. troops, continued Monday to disrupt power and water supplies to the embassies in Kuwait.

While sealing off the British Embassy, Iraqi troops did not appear to be preparing for an advance on the compound to oust the four remaining diplomats inside, the Foreign Office in London said.

Telephones and electrical power were out, but water was still running from time to time.

Staff at most embassies which rejected an Iraqi demand to close down last Friday reported they were getting by on emergency power supplies. Iraqi troops, which have encircled many of the diplomatic missions in Kuwait, did not appear to have been reinforced.

Lebanon's 10-member diplomatic mission in Kuwait, which was transferred to Baghdad by Iraqi forces, was heading back home Monday, the foreign

ministry in Beirut said.

In Budapest, the Hungarian government said Monday it had ''temporarily closed'' its embassy in Kuwait ''due to shutoffs of power and water and because of the presence of Iraqi troops''.

Meanwhile, a group of 52 Americans, mostly wives and children of U.S. diplomatic personnel in Kuwait, arrived in Turkey early Monday after a forced stay in Baghdad. More than 50 other Americans not allowed to leave were believed to be waiting in Baghdad.

The Kuwaiti national resistance claimed to have attacked the Iraqi embassy in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, set parts of it on fire and killed or wounded a number of Iraqi soldiers, a Saudi newspaper reported Monday.

On the political front, there was a flurry of activity Monday designed to explore a solution for the Gulf crisis. In Moscow, Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel-Meguid discussed the Gulf conflict with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, the Soviet news agency Tass reported.

King Hussein of Jordan, currently on a tour of Maghreb and European states, Monday held talks on the Gulf crisis with Libyan leader Moamer Gaddafi in Tripoli.

United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar is expected to hold talks on the Gulf dispute with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in the Jordanian capital of Amman Thursday.

In Jakarta, President Suharto Monday offered Indonesia's mediation in the Gulf crisis and urged Iraq to end the conflict through peaceful means.

In Doha, Qatar announced Monday that it will grant military facilities to troops of friendly countries. The decision was taken at a joint meeting of the cabinet and consultative council chaired by Qatar's emir, Sheikh Khalifa bin Hamad al-Thani.

Iraqi television Monday night broadcast interviews with foreigners being detained in the country. Five Britons, an Australian and a West German said they were in safety and were being treated well.

In Jordan, a humanitarian organisation dispatched eight container trucks containing dried milk and medicine for children in Iraq. The organisation had appealed for the aid in large adverts on the front page of Jordanian newspapers.

In Paris, chiefs of staff of the Western European Union, the political arm of Nato, discussed military aspects of enforcing the international anti-Iraq embargo.

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#90239e0006 08/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
LONDON (AUG. 27) EFE - British Defense Secretary Tom King left Monday on a tour Arab nations in the Persian Gulf during which he will inspect Britain's troops in the region.

Before leaving for Saudi Arabia, King said he would be meeting with Arab leaders to discuss the crisis sparked by Iraq's conquest of Kuwait, and to see how his troops were handling conditions in the Gulf.

King said he would brief troops on their role in the U.S.-led multinational force which was mobilized in the area to defend against a possible Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia and to enforce United Nations sanctions against Iraq and occupied-Kuwait.

He is to meet with the leaders of Saudi Arabia, Bahrain and Oman and will visit a British warship and a squadron of Tornado fighters in Bahrain.

Meanwhile, British press reported Monday that Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher is to meet Friday with Jordan's King Hussein, who is on a 10-day tour of North Africa and Europe in search of a peaceful solution to the crisis.

King Hussein left Amman Sunday evening for the tour, which is to include several North African countries, West Germany and Spain.

Thatcher discussed the crisis for 20 minutes over the telephone with U.S. President George Bush Sunday night, but details of the conversation were not released.

The Foreign Office Monday said that it was studying an Italian proposal that the 12 European Community countries request a special U.N. Security Council meeting to discuss Iraq's +violations+ of EC embassies in Kuwait.

Iraq has stripped officials at all foreign embassies in Kuwait of their diplomatic immunity for not obeying Baghdad's order last week to close down and move out.

Iraqi soldiers have surrounded the British mission in Kuwait City, trapping the embassy's four remaining diplomats.

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#90239e0009 08/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
NICOSIA (AUG. 27) EFE - Iraqi troops have detained Lebanon's ambassador to Kuwait and taken him and other embassy employees to Baghdad, Lebanon's

Foreign Ministry reported Monday.

In a statement, the ministry said Iraqi troops "detained last Thursday the Lebanese ambassador to Kuwait, Adnan Badra, together with 12 other people, staff members of the Lebanese embassy".

The embassy personnel were "taken by force+ to the Iraqi capital after being hauled out of the mission where they had been preparing to travel to Saudi Arabia as a first step to returning to Lebanon," the communique added.

Lebanon's government had called back its embassy staff in Kuwait in protest of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait as well as Baghdad's order to close all foreign embassies in the country.

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#90239e0011 08/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LONDON (AUG 27) EFE - Eight more Britons have been detained by Iraqi troops in occupied Kuwait, bringing to 157 the number of Britons being held there by Baghdad, a Foreign Office spokesman said Monday.

The eight were arrested Sunday night and taken to "civilian establishments " the spokesman said.

The latest seizures bring to 157 the number of Britons known to have been rounded up in Kuwait following Iraq's August 2 invasion.

The British Foreign Office estimated that about 2,500 Britons are stranded in Kuwait and several hundred others are believed to be in Iraq.

Reports that Baghdad was moving detained foreigners to key military instalations to act as "human shields" against possible attacks on Iraq by the United States and its allies in the Gulf region have been denied by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

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#90239e0027 08/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SANTIAGO (AUG 27) EFE - The extreme-left Lautaro Youth Movement (MJL) claimed responsibility Monday for lobbing Molotov cocktails into three Mormon temples in the Chilean capital the previous night.

Nobody was reported injured in the attacks and damage was said to be minimal, even though some 30 people were attending a service in one of the churches at the the time.

An anonymous caller told a Chilean newspaper that the attacks had been

carried out in memory of Julio Jacinto Eyzaguirre, a member of the MJL whose body was found in a taxi last Friday.

He had been shot by a sub-lieutenant in the Carabineros police while attempting a raid on a supermarket in north Santiago.

The spokesman for the MJL said the Mormon temples had been selected as targets because their religion, founded in the United States in the 19th century, was "a symbol of imperialism in Chile."

In recent months the MJL has kept up a campaign of "inciting the masses to insurrection" during which it has attacked some 12 Mormon temples nationwide.

The group claims that despite a return to democracy, after military dictator Gen. Augusto Pinochet stepped down as president earlier this year "nothing has changed."

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#90239e0028 08/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 27) EFE - The European Community is to send urgent food supplies to Jordan to help feed thousands of Egyptian refugees who have fled across the border from Iraq, officials reported Monday.

The shipment, requested by the Jordanian government, comprises 9,000 tonnes of cereals, 200 tonnes of dried milk and 500 tonnes of vegetable oil and is valued at more than dlrs 3.6 million.

Last week the EC executive decided to give dlrs 1.3 million in aid to set up an air-shuttle, which went into operation Saturday ferrying Egyptians home from Jordan where they had fled following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

It also agreed a dlrs 650,000 package to send doctors, medical equipment, medicines, blankets and tents.

Individual nations among the 12 nation community have also sent essential aid to Jordan for the refugees.

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#90239e0034 08/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 27) EFE - Black inhabitants from the huge township of Soweto went on strike Monday to remember the 515 people killed in factional fighting in South Africa over the last two weeks and to condemn police action in the violence.

Nearly 5,000 African National Congress (ANC) followers turned up for a rally in the town on the outskirts of Johannesburg where Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu blamed the police for fuelling the conflict.

The violence pitted the conservative Zulu Inkatha movement headed by Mangosutu Buthelezi, against the radical ANC, led by Nelson Mandela and largely made up of members of the Xhosa tribe.

But Tutu told the rally, ringed by troops, "We have never been at odds over tribal dissensions. Black liberty is within hand's reach, which some don't want us to have."

The former Nobel Peace Prize winner blamed the police for stirring up the trouble.

The ANC has accused Inkatha of beginning the violence and of being backed by the police and extremist white groups which have criticized the South African government for holding talks with the ANC.

The two black groupings are the largest in South Africa where President F.W. de Klerk has declared he wants to dismantle apartheid.

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#90239f1028 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - The weekend battle between the National League's division leaders turned into the Eric Davis Show.

Davis capped a three-game binge in Pittsburgh Sunday, going 2 for 4 with a two-run double to help the Cincinnati Reds to a 6-2 victory over the Pirates. After losing the first game of the four-game set, the Reds took three straight over the NL East-leading Pirates.

Davis went 9-for-16 with four RBI and five runs scored during the series, and has raised his average 20 points to .240 over the past week.

''I just went from not hitting the ball to hitting the ball,'' said Davis who has struggled offensively since an April knee injury. ''It's not no drastic change or something like that. I'm just generating a little bat speed and getting the bat head through the zone.''

The Pirates swept a four-game series in Cincinnati last weekend, and had won seven of eight entering the return series in Pittsburgh. The two teams split the season series 6-6.

''He's a rare talent,'' Pirates Manager Jim Leyland said of Davis. ''He may be the most gifted player in the National League.''

Reds' Manager Lou Piniella likes what he's seeing from the Reds.

''Things are falling into place,'' Piniella said. ''Davis is swinging the bat, and (Danny) Jackson and (Tom) Browning go back in the rotation this week. I'm going to enjoy my day off tomorrow. So is the team.''

Rick Mahler, 6-5, walked four and struck out four over 6 2-3 innings to help the Reds score their fifth victory in six games. Rob Dibble retired the last seven batters, striking out the side in the ninth, to earn his ninth save.

The Pirates took their third straight loss in stride.

''I'm not going to get into that game when you lose three and everyone thinks you're in a slump,'' Leyland said. ''Last week we took four straight, and the Pirates are the powerhouse. Then Eric Davis comes to life and now the Reds are the powerhouse. Tomorrow, maybe the Mets are the powerhouse. We've just got to grind it out each day.''

Elsewhere in the National League: Los Angeles topped New York 2-1, Montreal downed San Diego 4-2, Atlanta nipped Chicago 4-3, Houston edged St. Louis 4-2 and Philadelphia tripped San Francisco 5-1.

In the American League, it was: New York 4, Milwaukee 3, 11 innings; Boston 1, Toronto 0; Cleveland 8, Baltimore 3; Kansas City 8, Seattle 2; California 4, Chicago 1; Texas 1, Minnesota 0 and Detroit 7, Oakland 3.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Dodgers 2, Mets 1

At Los Angeles, Jose Gonzalez stole home and scored another run to help rookie Mike Hartley, 5-1, to his fifth straight victory. The Dodgers pulled within 6 1-2 games of Cincinnati in the NL West, while the Mets remained three games behind Pittsburgh in the NL East. Frank Viola, 16-9, took the loss.

Expos 4, Padres 2

At Montreal, Larry Walker's three-run homer in the eighth inning lifted the Expos and dropped Bruce Hurst to 8-9. Steve Frey, 6-2, won with two innings of relief. Hurst had a three-game winning streak snapped, suffering his first loss since July 19.

Braves 4, Cubs 3

At Atlanta, Ron Gant tied the score with a leadoff homer and Greg Olson later doubled home Francisco Cabrera in the ninth inning to rally the

Braves. After blowing a lead in the top of the inning, the Braves made a winner of John Smoltz, 11-9, and hung the loss on Mitch Williams, 1-7.

Astros 4, Cardinals 2

At Houston, Danny Darwin scattered eight hits to win his ninth straight decision. Darwin, 10-1, improved to 8-0 in his last 10 starts. Ken Hill, 4-2, took the loss. Houston broke a 2-2 tie in the sixth when Bill Doran stole home on the back end of a double steal.

Phillies 5, Giants 1

At San Francisco, Von Hayes hit a three-run homer and John Kruk added a two-run shot to drop the Giants 7 1-2 games behind Cincinnati in the NL West. Jason Grimsley, 1-0, allowed six hits over seven innings for the victory. John Burkett, 11-5, took the loss.

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(AUG. 27) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts lf	4	1	1	1	Grissom cf	4	1	2	0
Alomar 2b	4	0	1	0	Noboa 2b	3	1	2	0
Gwynn rf	2	0	1	1	Raines lf	3	1	1	0
Carter cf	4	0	1	0	Wallach 3b	4	0	1	0
Pagliarul 3b	4	0	1	0	Galarrag 1b	4	0	0	0
Stephensn 1b	4	0	2	0	Walker rf	4	1	1	3
Parent c	4	1	2	0	Fitzgerald c	2	0	1	0
Templetn ss	4	0	2	0	Owen ss	2	0	0	0
Hurst p	2	0	0	0	Gross p	1	0	0	0
Abner ph	1	0	1	0	Ruskin p	1	0	0	0
					Nixon ph	1	0	0	0
					Frey p	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	2	12	2	Totals	29	4	8	3

San Diego 010 010 000- 2
Montreal 100 000 03x- 4

E-Alomar. DP-San Diego 1, Montreal 1. LOB-San Diego 9, Montreal 6.
2B-Templeton, Noboa, Roberts. HR-Walker (15). SB-Grissom (16), Carter (15).
S- Noboa, Alomar, Owen. SF-Roberts, Gwynn.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						

Hurst (L 8-9)	8	8	4	4	3	8
Montreal						
Gross	5	9	2	2	2	4
Ruskin	2	1	0	0	0	1
Frey (W 6-2)	2	2	0	0	0	1

WP-Gross. T-2:47. A-27,650.

Umpires-Home, DeMuth; 1b, Gregg; 2b, Crawford; 3b, Hallion.

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Hatcher cf	5	0	1	1	Backman 2b	5	0	2	0
Duncan 2b	5	2	2	1	Bell ss	4	0	2	1
Larkin ss	4	1	2	0	Van Slyke cf	4	0	1	0
Davis lf	4	0	2	2	Bonilla rf	2	0	0	0
Sabo 3b	4	0	0	0	Bonds lf	4	0	0	0
Benzinger 1b	4	1	1	0	Bream 1b	3	0	0	0
Braggs rf	4	1	1	0	La Vallier c	4	1	1	1
Oliver c	4	1	2	2	King 3b	4	0	0	0
Mahler p	2	0	0	0	Tomlin p	1	0	0	0
Dibble p	1	0	0	0	Power p	0	0	0	0
					Redus ph	0	1	0	0
					Heaton p	0	0	0	0
					Cangelosi ph	1	0	0	0
					Patterson p	0	0	0	0
					Reynolds ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	37	6	11	6	Totals	33	2	6	2

Cincinnati	200	211	000- 6
Pittsburgh	010	010	000- 2

LOB-Cincinnati 5, Pittsburgh 8. 2B- Davis 2, Oliver, Van Slyke.
HR-LaValliere (3), Duncan (8). S-Mahler.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Mahler (W 6-5)	6 2-3	6	2	2	4	4
Dibble (S 9)	2 1-3	0	0	0	0	4
Pittsburgh						
Tomlin (L 1-2)	4	7	4	4	0	3
Power	1	2	1	1	0	0
Heaton	2	2	1	1	0	1
Patterson	2	0	0	0	0	0

Balk-Mahler. T-2:36. A-43,174.

Umpires-Home, Darling; 1b, Froemming; 2b, Pulli; 3b, Rippley.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Walton cf	4	0	0	0	McDowell lf	3	0	0	0
Wilkerson 2b	3	0	0	0	LSmith lf	1	0	0	0
JSmith ph	1	0	0	0	Lemke 2b	4	0	0	0
Salazar 3b	0	0	0	0	Gant cf	4	2	2	1
Grace 1b	3	2	2	1	Justice rf	3	0	1	1
Dawson rf	4	1	0	0	Gregg 1b	2	0	0	0
Clark lf	4	0	1	0	Cabrera ph	1	1	1	0
Long p	0	0	0	0	Presley 3b	4	1	1	1
Williams p	0	0	0	0	Olson c	4	0	2	1
Dunston ss	4	0	1	2	Thomas ss	3	0	0	0
Ramos 3b	4	0	0	0	Smoltz p	3	0	0	0
Girardi c	2	0	1	0					
Harkey p	1	0	0	0					
Varsho ph	1	0	1	0					
Wilson p	0	0	0	0					
Dascenzo lf	0	0	0	0					
Totals	31	3	6	3	Totals	32	4	7	4

Chicago	000	001	002-	3
Atlanta	010	001	002-	4

Two out when winning run scored.

E-Presley. DP-Chicago 1, Atlanta 2. LOB-Chicago 4, Atlanta 4. 2B-Grace, Dunston, Olson. 3B-Gant. HR-Presley (18), Grace (7), Gant (24). SB-Girardi (6), Justice (6), Dunston (19). S-Harkey.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Harkey	7	4	2	2	2	5
Wilson	1	0	0	0	0	2
Long	0	1	1	1	0	0
Williams (L 1-7)	2-3	2	1	1	0	1
Atlanta						
Smoltz (W 11-9)	9	6	3	1	2	8

Long pitched to 1 batter in the 9th.

WP-Harkey. T-2:53. A-14,178.

Umpires-Home, Rennert; 1b, Bonin; 2b, Tata; 3b, Hohn.

ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Coleman lf	4	1	2	0	Yelding cf	4	0	1	1
OSmith ss	2	0	1	0	Doran 2b	2	2	1	0
Pendleton 3b	4	0	1	0	Caminiti 3b	3	1	0	0
Walling 1b	4	0	1	0	Stubbs 1b	3	0	2	1
Zeile c	3	0	0	1	Biggio c	4	0	0	0
Lankford cf	3	1	0	0	GWilson rf	3	0	1	1
Thompson rf	4	0	1	0	Rhodes lf	2	0	0	0
Jones 2b	4	0	2	1	Davidson lf	1	0	0	0
Hill p	2	0	0	0	Ramirez ss	2	1	0	0
Oquendo ph	1	0	0	0	Darwin p	2	0	0	0
DiPino p	0	0	0	0					
McGee ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	32	2	8	2	Totals	26	4	5	3

St. Louis	100	100	000- 2
Houston	000	201	10x- 4

DP-St. Louis 1. LOB-St. Louis 7, Houston 4. 2B-Jones 2, Doran. SB-Coleman (73), Doran (17), Stubbs (12). S -Darwin. SF-Zeile.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Hill (L 4-2)	6	3	3	2	4	5
DiPino	2	2	1	1	1	1
Houston						
Darwin (W 10-1)	9	8	2	2	3	6

PB-Zeile. Balk-Darwin. T-2:42. A- 17,216.

Umpires-Home, Marsh; 1b, Wendelstedt; 2b, West; 3b, Barnes.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Boston cf	4	0	1	0	Javier cf	3	0	0	0
Magadan 1b	2	1	0	0	Gonzalez lf	3	2	1	0
Jefferies 2b	3	0	1	0	Sharpersn 3b	3	0	2	0
Strawbrry rf	4	0	1	0	Harris 3b	1	0	0	0
Johnson ss	4	0	0	0	Murray 1b	4	0	2	0
McRynlds lf	4	0	1	1	Brooks rf	3	0	1	1
O'Malley 3b	4	0	0	0	Gwynn lf	1	0	0	0
Hundley c	2	0	0	0	Scioscia c	3	0	1	0
Sasser c	1	0	0	0	Samuel 2b	3	0	1	0

Viola p	2	0	2	0	Griffin ss	3	0	0	0
Torve ph	1	0	0	0	Hartley p	2	0	0	0
Whitehurst p	0	0	0	0	Walsh p	0	0	0	0
					Crews p	0	0	0	0
					Hatcher ph	1	0	0	0
					Gott p	0	0	0	0
					Howell p	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	1	6	1	Totals	30	2	8	1

New York	000 000 100- 1
Los Angeles	101 000 00x- 2

DP-New York 1, Los Angeles 2. LOB -New York 6, Los Angeles 6. 2B-Boston.
SB-Gonzalez (2), Sharperson (14), Scioscia (4).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Viola (L 16-9)	7	7	2	2	2	4
Whitehurst	1	1	0	0	0	1
Los Angeles						
Hartley (W 5-1)	6	3	1	1	2	5
Walsh	1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Crews	2-3	1	0	0	0	2
Gott	1	1	0	0	1	1
Howell (S 13)	1	0	0	0	0	0

Hartley pitched to 2 batters in the 7th.

T-2:50. A-45,313.

Umpires-Home, Williams; 1b, Montague; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, Davidson.

PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	4	0	1	0	Butler cf	3	0	1	0
Daulton c	4	1	2	0	Kingery rf	4	0	0	0
VHayes rf	4	1	1	3	Clark 1b	3	0	1	0
Martinez lf	4	1	1	0	Mitchell lf	3	0	1	0
Kruk 1b	3	1	1	2	Williams 3b	3	0	0	0
CHayes 3b	4	0	0	0	Kennedy c	4	0	1	0
Thon ss	4	0	1	0	Thompsn 2b	4	0	0	0
McDowell p	0	0	0	0	Benjamin ss	3	1	2	1
Booker 2b	3	1	1	0	Burkett p	1	0	0	0
Grimsley p	2	0	0	0	Bathe ph	1	0	0	0
Herr 2b	1	0	0	0	Oliveras p	0	0	0	0
					Uribe ph	1	0	0	0

					Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0
					Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0
					Riles ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	33	5	8	5	Totals	31	1	6	1

Philadelphia	003	002	000-	5
San Francisco	000	000	100-	1

E-Williams. DP-Philadelphia 1, San Francisco 2. LOB-Philadelphia 7, San Francisco 8. 2B-Benjamin. HR-VHayes (16), Kruk (4), Benjamin (1). SB-VHayes (13). S-Grimsley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Grimsley (W 1-0)	7	6	1	1	3	5
McDowell	2	0	0	0	2	1
San Francisco						
Burkett (L 11-5)	5	3	3	3	3	2
Oliveras	2	4	2	2	0	2
Rodriguez	1	0	0	0	1	0
Bedrosian	1	1	0	0	1	1

T-2:39. A-30,208.

Umpires-Home, Davis; 1b, Layne; 2b, Runge; 3b, Winters.

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BEIRUT (AUG. 27) XINHUA - CHOLERA IS THREATENING TO SPREAD IN WAR-SHATTERED LEBANON WITH FIVE DEATHS ALREADY REPORTED.

ACCORDING TO LOCAL RADIO BROADCASTS TODAY, FIVE CHOLERA PATIENTS, INCLUDING A 3-YEAR-OLD BOY, DIED IN TRIPOLI ON SUNDAY AND 18 PEOPLE WERE RECEIVING TREATMENT IN THREE HOSPITALS IN NORTHERN LEBANON.

THE REPORTS QUOTED LOCAL HOSPITAL SOURCES AS WARNING OF A QUICK SPREAD OF THE DISEASE IN VIEW OF THE COUNTRY'S LACK OF RESOURCES FOR PREVENTION AND SHORTAGE OF SERA FOR TREATMENT OF THE DEADLY EPIDEMIC.

LACK OF CLEAN DRINKING WATER AND FREQUENT BLACKOUTS IN TRIPOLI MAY ADD DIFFICULTIES TO CONTROL OF THE DISEASE AND, IN THE INTENSE SUMMER HEAT, UNCOLLECTED GARBAGE COULD ALSO HELP THE DISEASE SPREAD, THE SOURCES SAID.

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NAIROBI (AUG. 27) XINHUA - KENYA AIRWAYS WILL INCREASE ITS FLIGHT FARES FROM TODAY BY 40 U.S. DOLLARS FOR ONE-WAY TICKET FOR TRAVELLING TO THE MIDDLE EAST AND BY 80 DOLLARS FOR A RETURN TICKET, THE KENYAN NEWSPAPER "STANDARD" REPORTED TODAY.

THE FLIGHT FARE INCREASE, THE PAPER SAID, WAS PROMPTED BY THE SIX-FOLD HIKED PREMIUMS IMPOSED BY INSURANCE COMPANIES, WHICH INSURE PLANES FLYING TO THE MIDDLE EAST OR THROUGHT THE REGION, DUE TO THE ON-GOING GULF CRISIS.

THE MIDDLE EAST INSURANCE SURCHARGE WAS AGREED UPON AT A MEETING IN BAHRAIN ON AUGUST 22 OF AIRLINES OPERATING TO AND FROM BAHRAIN, OMAN, QATAR AND THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES.

A STATEMENT ISSUED AT THE AUGUST 22 MEETING SAID THAT THE INSURANCE RATE WOULD CONTINUE TO INCREASE ON A WEEKLY BASIS DEPENDING ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE GULF SITUATION.

THE INTERNATIONAL AIR TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION (ITAT) WILL MEET TODAY TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEM OF ESCALATING COSTS OF FUEL WHICH HAVE ALREADY INCREASED BY ABOUT 65 PERCENT SINCE THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT THREE WEEKS AGO.

-30- 1230

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LUSAKA (AUG. 27) XINHUA - ZAMBIA WILL SOON EXPORT SUGAR TO THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY (EEC), THE "ZAMBIA DAILY MAIL" REPORTED TODAY.

IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE PAPER YESTERDAY, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE ZAMBIA SUGAR COMPANY NEVILLE HILARY SAID THAT NEGOTIATIONS HAVE REACHED ADVANCED STAGE ON THE EXPORTATION OF SUGAR TO THE EEC COUNTRIES AND THAT THE EEC WILL GIVE ZAMBIA THE TERMS OF THE EXPORT DEAL IN OCTOBER.

MR. HILARY SAID THAT ZAMBIA WILL BE AMONG 30 WORLD COUNTRIES WHICH SELL SUGAR TO THE EEC, BUT HE DID NOT DISCLOSE HOW MANY TONS OF ZAMBIAN SUGAR WILL BE EXPORTED TO THE EEC.

AT PRESENT ZAMBIA EXPORTS ABOUT 4,000 TONS OF SUGAR TO ZAIRE, BURUNDI AND TANZANIA.

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BEIJING (AUG. 27) XINHUA - CHINESE PRESIDENT YANG SHANGKUN HERE TODAY ACCEPTED CREDENTIALS OF ROMANIA'S NEW AMBASSADOR TO CHINA, ROMULUS ION BUTURA, WHO ARRIVED IN BEIJING JULY 30.

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#90239h0076 08/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
DAR ES SALAAM (AUG. 27) XINHUA - TANZANIA HAS BEGUN TO CONSTRUCT ITS FIRST CROCODILE FARM AND INTRODUCE MODERN TECHNICAL CROCODILE SKIN PROCESSING IN ORDER TO INCREASE ITS FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS.

THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE CROCODILE FARM, HASHIM MBUNGULI, TOLD REPORTERS HERE TODAY THAT THE PROJECT, WHICH IS ASSISTED BY A FRANCH FIRM, IS AIMED AT DEVELOPING THE COUNTRY'S CAPABILITY OF EXPORTING FINAL PRODUCTS OF CROCODILE SKINS.

TANZANIA IS ONE OF THE MAJOR CROCODILE EXPORTING COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD. ACCORDING TO THE QUOTA IN CROCODILE SKINS GIVEN BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR TRADE ON ENDANGERED SPECIES IN 1989, TANZANIA CAN EXPORT 2,000 CROCODILE SKINS ANNUALLY.

THE DIRECTOR SAID THE FARM WILL COLLECT CROCODILE EGGS FROM THE SELOUS GAME RESERVE AND ABOUT 3,000 EGGS WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON FROM THAT AREA WHERE THERE IS A LARGE POPULATION OF THE REPTILES.

CROCODILE PROVIDES GOOD LEATHER FOR LUXURY SHOES, HANDBAGS AND OTHER HIDE PRODUCTS. THE KILLING OF THE REPTILES FOR COM- MERCIAL PURPOSE BY INDIVIDUALS HAS BEEN BANNED BY THE TANZANIAN GOVERNMENT.

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#90239h0098 08/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LUSAKA (AUG. 27) XINHUA - STRIKING MINERS ON THE COPPERBELT IN ZAMBIA STAGED A RIOT YESTERDAY AS ARMED POLICE FIRED TEAR GAS ON THEM, THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER THE "DAILY MAIL" REPORTED TODAY.

WORK AT ALL THE FIVE SHAFTS OF THE LUANSHYA DIVISION OF THE ZAMBIA CONSOLIDATED COPPER MINES (ZCCM) HAS COME TO A HALT SINCE LAST TUESDAY WHEN MINERS DOWNED THEIR TOOLS IN PROTEST AGAINST NON-PAYMENT OF TARGET BONUSES.

YESTERDAY, PANDEMONIUM BROKE OUT AT A MINE TOWNSHIP AROUND 07:30 HOURS AFTER ARMED POLICE FIRED TEAR GAS ON ROTING MINERS WHO RAN AMOK AND STONED THE BUS CARRYING WORKERS REPORTING FOR WORK IN RESPONSE TO THE MANAGEMENT'S APPEAL.

THE POLICE ACTION TRIGGERED OFF WILD RUNNING IN THE STREETS AND FORCED SOME PEOPLE TO STORM INTO NEARBY SHOPS AND MARKET AND THE CATHOLIC CHURCH TO SEEK REFUGE.

AFTER THE INCIDENT, A LARGE CROWD MARCHED TO THE MINE WORKERS UNION OF ZAMBIA (MUZ) OFFICE IN MPATAMATU, WHERE THE INCIDENT TOOK PLACE, TO

PROTEST AGAINST THE POLICE ACTION.

AT LEAST MORE THAN 15 PEOPLE INCLUDING MUZ OFFICIALS WERE ROUNDED UP WHILE OTHERS WERE BEATEN UP AND INJURED IN THE CLASHES, SAID THE PAPER.

-30- 1280

#90239h0104 08/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TEHRAN (AUG. 27) XINHUA - IRAN AND IRAQ HAVE AGREED TO CONTINUE POWS SWAPPING FOLLOWING A DECLINE IN THE NUMBER OF POWS DAILY EXCHANGED.

FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN MORTEZA SARMADI ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY THAT AN EXPERT COMMITTEE COMPRISING REPRESENTATIVES OF BOTH COUNTRIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS (ICRC) WAS SET UP TO ENSURE THE PROPER PROCEDURE.

HE SAID THAT THE TWO SIDES ALSO AGREED TO CUT THE NUMBER OF POWS TO BE EXCHANGED BECAUSE COUNTING THE UNREGISTERED POWS WOULD REQUIRE ADDITIONAL WORK.

FOLLOWING THE REGISTRATION OF POWS N SARMADI SAID, IRAQ AND THE ICRC ARE TO RELEASE 1,000 IRANIAN POWS PER DAY AS OF TUESDAY.

SINCE AUGUST 17, THE TWO GULF COUNTRIES HAVE EXCHANGED 31,200 POWS, IRAN'S OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY IRNA SAID. BUT NO FIGURE WAS GIVEN ON THOSE AWAITING TO BE FREED.

ACCORDING TO THE ICRC, THERE WERE ABOUT 20,000 POWS REGISTERED IN IRAQ AND 50,000 LISTED IN IRAN WHEN THE IRAN-IRAQ WAR WAS STOPPED BY U.N. RESOLUTION 598 IN AUGUST 1988.

THE UNITED NATIONS ESTIMATES THAT ANOTHER 10,000 IRANIAN POWS MIGHT BE HELD BY IRAQ AND 20,000 MORE IRAQIS BY IRAN.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE NEW AGREEMENT WAS REACHED AT A MEETING BETWEEN IRANIAN DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS MANOUCHEHR MOTTAKI AND HIS IRAQI COUNTERPART AL-ZAHAVI AT KHOSRAWI BORDER POST, WESTERN IRAN, ON SUNDAY.

THE MEETING WAS HELD AFTER BAGHDAD ANNOUNCED THAT ALL THE REGISTERED IRANIAN POWS HAD BEEN RELEASED AND IRAQ REQUESTED THE ICRC TO TAKE DOWN THE NAMES OF THE UNCOUNTED.

IRNA REPORTED THAT THE LAST GROUP OF POWS, REPATRIATED ON SUNDAY BY BUS OR BY PLANE, NUMBERED ONLY 700, ABOUT HALF OF THE AVERAGE IN THE PAST NINE DAYS.

THE SLOW-DOWN IN POWS SWAPPING SPARKED OFF CONCERN FROM IRAN, WHERE A

LOCAL NEWSPAPER WARNED THE TWO CAPITALS AGAINST A DANGER TO THE "ACCEPTABLE AND LOGICAL TREND OF THE PAST DAYS."

"JOMHURI ISLAMI" (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC) SAID IN AN EDITORIAL TODAY THAT THE SUDDEN DECLINE IN THE NUMBER OF THE EXCHANGED POWS WOULD BE "DETRIMENTAL TO IRAQ."

CALLING FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE EXCHANGE OF POWS, REGISTERED AND UNREGISTERED, THE PERSIAN DAILY ADDED: "IRAQI STATESMEN SHOULD NOT HESITATE IN THE RIGHT PATH THEY HAVE CHOSEN IN DEALING WITH THIS ISSUE."

EARLIER, IRANIAN OFFICIALS HAD EXPRESSED THE FEAR THAT THE WORSENING GULF CRISIS MIGHT MAKE THE CONTINUED POWS EXCHANGE IMPOSSIBLE.

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#90239h0112 08/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 27) XINHUA - TURKISH FOREIGN MINISTE ALI BOZER TODAY CONVEYED A MESSAGE FROM TURKISH PRESIDENT TURGUT OZAL TO EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT HOSNI MUBARAK DURING A MEETING IN THE EGYPTIAN PORT CITY OF ALEXANDRIA.

EGYPTIAN INFORMATION MINISTER SAFWAT EL-SHERIF SAID THE MESSAGE SHOWED THAT TURKEY'S POSITION IS IDENTICAL WITH THAT OF EGYPT IN CONDEMNING THE IRAQI INVASION AND ANNEXATION OF KUWAIT, WHICH ARE UNACCEPTABLE TO BOTH THE ISLAMIC AND ARAB WORLDS AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AT LARGE.

THE TURKISH PRESIDENT AFFIRMED IN HIS MESSAGE HIS COUNTRY'S ADHERENCE TO INTERNATIONAL LAW, THE EGYPTIAN MIDDLE EAST NEWS AGENCY QUOTED EL-SHERIF AS SAYING.

HE SAID MUBARAK MADE A REPLY CONFIRMING EGYPT'S STANCE TOWARD THE GULF CRISIS CAUSED BY THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

PRESIDENT MUBARAK ALSO ASSURED THE TURKISH FOREIGN MINISTER THAT EGYPT IS CONTINUING ITS ATTEMPTS AND INITIATIVES FOR A POLITICAL SOLUTION TO THE GULF CRISIS, WITHIN AN ARAB OR INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK, WITH THE AIM OF SPARING THE REGION THE DANGERS OF A MILITARY CONFRONTATION, EL-SHERIF SAID.

MUBARAK ALSO URGED IRAQ TO REASSESS ITS ATTITUDE REALISTICALLY, CONSIDERING ITS REAL POTENTIALS AS WELL AS THE DANGERS THAT THE IRAQI PEOPLE WOULD EXPERIENCE.

-30- 1421

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KATHMANDU (AUG. 27) XINHUA - A SPECIAL AIRCRAFT OF ROYAL NEPAL AIRLINES CORPORATION LEFT HERE FOR AMMAN, CAPITAL OF JORDAN, THIS AFTERNOON FOR EMERGENCY AIRLIFT OF THE STRANDED NEPALESE NATIONALS, THE NEPALESE FOREIGN

MINISTRY ANNOUNCED.

THE MINISTRY SAID IT RECEIVED CONFIRMED REPORTS ON SATURDAY (AUGUST 25) THAT A GROUP OF 130 NEPALESE NATIONALS HAD ARRIVED IN AMMAN AFTER TRAVELING 1,000 KILOMETERS BY TRUCKS AND BUSES VIA IRAQI TERRITORY FROM KUWAIT.

THE AIRCRAFT IS EXPECTED TO RETURN TO KATHMANDU TUESDAY (AUGUST 28) MORNING.

FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS AND NEPALESE REPORTERS ALSO LEFT HERE ABOARD THE PLANE. THEY WILL ACCOMPANY THE STRANDED NEPALESE NATIONALS ON THEIR FLIGHT HOME, THE FOREIGN MINISTRY SAID.

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#90239h0117 08/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA, AUGUST 27 (XINHUA) -- BANGLADESH EARNED APPROXIMATELY 1,535 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS THROUGH EXPORTS IN 1989-90 ENDING JUNE 30, TOPPING THE 1,456 MILLION TARGET BY SEVEN PERCENT.

THIS WAS STATED AT A MEETING OF THE EXPORT PROMOTION BUREAU HERE TODAY, THE MEETING WAS PRESIDED OVER BY COMMERCE MINISTER M.S. HUQ, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY BSS.

OF THE EXPORT EARNINGS, ABOUT 40 PERCENT WAS EARNED THROUGH EXPORTING READY-MADE GARMENTS, AND ABOUT 30 PERCENT THROUGH EXPORTING JUTE AND JUTE ITEMS. EXPORTS OF LEATHER ACCOUNTED FOR ABOUT 12 PERCENT OF THE EARNINGS, FROZEN FOOD 11 PERCENT AND TEA ABOUT FOUR PERCENT.

THE EXPORT EARNINGS IN 1989-90 WERE 22.47 PERCENT HIGHER THAN THOSE OF THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR 1988-89 WHICH WAS 1,204 MILLION US DOLLARS.

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KATHMANDU (AUG. 27) XINHUA - OPHTHALMOLOGISTS AND EYE PARAMEDICS FROM ALL OVER NEPAL CONVERGED HERE TODAY TO DISCUSS THE FUTURE PROGRAM ON THE PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF BLINDNESS.

AT THE THREE-DAY EIGHTH NATIONAL OPHTHALMOLOGY WORKSHOP, THEY WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE EXPANSION OF EYE SERVICE.

PRIME MINISTER KRISHNA PRASAD BHATTARAI DECLARED THE WORKSHOP OPEN AND UNDERLINED THE NEED TO ENSURE THE PEOPLE SUFFERING FROM NORMALLY CURABLE EYE DISEASES A SUCCESSFUL TREATMENT WITHIN THE COUNTRY ITSELF.

THE HIMALAYAN KINGDOM NOW HAS 55 EYE SPECIALISTS, COMPARED WITH SEVEN SOME

10 YEARS AGO WHEN EYE SERVICE WAS INITIATED. ALL THE 14 ZONES OF THE COUNTRY HAVE EYE SERVICE.

AT THE BEGINNING, ONE EYE SPECIALIST WAS AVAILABLE FOR EVERY 2.7 MILLION PEOPLE BUT NOW ONE EYE SPECIALIST IS AVAILABLE FOR 400,000 PEOPLE. PROVISION HAS BEEN MADE TO MAKE AVAILABILITY OF ONE EYE SPECIALIST FOR EVERY 100,000 PEOPLE BY 2000.

OVER THE PAST DECADES, 160,000 BLINDS IN NEPAL GOT SIGHT WITH THE HELP OF HOSPITALS AND EYE CAMPS.

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NEW DELHI (AUG. 27) XINHUA - INDIAN MINISTER FOR INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING P. UPENDRA TODAY PROPOSED THE SETTING UP OF A COMMON "ASIAN FILM POOL" TO HELP FILM-MAKERS OVERCOME DISTRIBUTION PROBLEMS AND INCREASE PEOPLES' AWARENESS OF CINEMATIC ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE CONTINENT.

"EACH COUNTRY OF ASIA SHOULD CONSIDER DONATING A FILM EACH YEAR TO THE COMMON POOL, CALLED 'ASIAN FILM POOL,' TO BE UTILIZED IN THE MANNER TO BE DETERMINED BY THE RECIPIENT COUNTRY," UPENDRA SAID, WHILE INAUGURATING AN INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON "PROMOTING ASIAN CINEMA."

THE MINISTER CAUTIONED AGAINST THE GROWING TREND OF ADOPTING WESTERN NORMS WHICH DID NOT REFLECT THE MILIEU OF THE REGION THAT THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO REPRESENT.

THE FOUR-DAY SEMINAR WAS ORGANIZED BY THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC, CULTURAL ORGANIZATION (UNESCO) AND "CINEMAYA," AN ASIAN FILM JOURNAL PUBLISHED HERE.

THOSE ATTENDING THE SEMINAR CAME HERE FROM AUSTRALIA, BANGLADESH, CHINA, HONG KONG, MALAYSIA, PAKISTAN, THE PHILIPPINES, SRI LANKA, SINGAPORE, TURKEY, THAILAND, INDONESIA, JAPAN, SOUTH KOREA, HAWAII, VIETNAM, FRANCE, BRITAIN AND UNESCO.

CHINESE FILMS "HORSE THIEF" AND "OLD WELL" WOULD BE SHOWN DURING THE SEMINAR.

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UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 27) XINHUA - EIGHTY-EIGHT MEMBER COUNTRIES HAVE BEGUN TO OBSERVE A TRADE EMBARGO AGAINST IRAQ CALLED BY THE UNITED NATIONS TO SHOW THE WORLD COMMUNITY'S OUTRAGE AT BAGHDAD'S ARMED INVASION AND ANNEXATION OF KAWAIT, IT WAS ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY.

IN A REPORT TO THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION 661, WHICH CALLS FOR THE TRADE EMBARGO AGAINST IRAQ, U.N. SECRETARY-GENERAL JAVIER PEREZ DE CUELLAR SAID THAT AS OF AUGUST 24, HE HAS RECEIVED 100 REPLIES FROM 88 U.N. MEMBER STATES ASSURING HIM OF THEIR COMPLIANCE WITH THE RESOLUTION.

THE SECRETARY-GENERAL, WHO SEND OUT A LETTER ON AUGUST 8 TO ALL U.N. STATE MEMBERS ASKING THEM TO REPORT TO HIM THE MEASURES THEY HAVE TAKEN IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE TRADE EMBARGO, URGED THOSE STATES THAT HAVE NOT YET RESPONDED TO IMMEDIATELY REPORT TO HIM ON THE MEASURES THEY HAVE TAKEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESOLUTION.

LAST SATURDAY, THE SECURITY COUNCIL ADOPTED A RESOLUTION, GIVING THE FOREIGN NAVAL FORCES IN THE GULF THE AUTHORITY TO USE MEASURES THAT ARE NECESSARY TO HALT ALL MARITIME SHIPPING INTO AND FROM IRAQ AND OCCUPIED KUWAIT IN ORDER TO SEE THAT THE TRADE EMBARGO IS COMPLETELY IMPLEMENTED.

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#90239h0132 08/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ALGIERS (AUG. 27) XINHUA - A LARGE QUANTITY OF WEAPONS WAS SEIZED THIS MORNING IN BOSAADA CITY, MISILA STATE IN NORTHEAST ALGERIA, ACCORDING TO POLICE SOURCES.

THE SEIZED WEAPONS INCLUDED 120 RIFLES, PISTOLS, MACHINE GUNS AND AMMUNITION.

THE SEIZURE OF THE WEAPONS WAS THE OUTCOME OF A LONG INVESTIGATION, THE SOURCES SAID, ADDING THAT 10 PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED.

THE WEAPONS LOOKED RELATIVELY BRAND NEW AND WITHOUT REGISTRATION NUMBERS ON THEM. IT IS YET UNKNOWN HOW THEY WERE BROUGHT INTO THE COUNTRY.

THE SOURCES ADDED THAT A DETAILED INVESTIGATION WAS NEEDED TO STUDY WHETHER THE WEAPON SMUGGLERS WERE AN ORGANIZED BAND OR A POLITICAL ORGANIZATION.

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#90239k0002 08/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 27) KYODO - UNKNOWN MEN THREW DYNAMITE STICKS IN A SUBURBAN FACTORY PLANT OWNED BY THE FAMILY OF PHILIPPINE TRADE SECRETARY JOSE CONCEPCION JR., DESTROYING GLASS WINDOWS BUT INJURING NO ONE, POLICE SAID MONDAY.

PATROLMAN ROGELIO LORBES, OF THE PASIG POLICE, SAID THE EXPLOSION AT THE REPUBLIC FLOUR MILLING CORP. FACTORY AND PIGGERY PLANT IN MANGGAHAN TOWN IN PASIG OCCURRED SHORTLY AFTER SUNDAY MIDNIGHT.

THE LATEST BLAST WAS THE SIXTH DIRECTED AGAINST OFFICES AND FIRMS CONNECTED WITH THE TRADE SECRETARY ACCUSED OF USING HIS POSITION TO ENRICH HIMSELF AND THE 15TH SINCE AUGUST 13, WHEN SUSPECTED REBEL SOLDIERS STARTED A RASH OF BOMBINGS WHICH OFFICIALS SAID IS A PRELUDE TO A COUP ATTEMPT.

PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO WARNED ON SUNDAY THAT SHE WILL NOT HESITATE TO USE STRINGENT MEASURES WITHIN HER POWERS TO CURB THE ESCALATION OF VIOLENCE.

THE MILITARY IS STILL IN A MAXIMUM STATE OF ALERTNESS AND THE CONGRESS CONTINUED TO BE IN A RECESS TO WHIP UP SUPPORT FOR THE ADMINISTRATION.

THE SPATE OF VIOLENCE HAS NOT KILLED ANYBODY BUT RESULTED IN THE INJURIES OF TWO PERSONS.

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#90239k0008 08/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 27) KYODO - PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU TOLD KENYA'S VICE PRESIDENT AND FINANCE MINISTER GEORGE SAITOTI ON MONDAY THAT JAPAN WOULD CONTINUE GIVING KENYA ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE BASED ON THE KENYAN GOVERNMENT'S PRIORITIES.

KAIFU MADE THE PLEDGE IN A 25-MINUTE MEETING AT THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICIAL RESIDENCE.

SAITOTI THANKED KAIFU FOR JAPAN'S AID IN THE AREAS OF EDUCATION, AGRICULTURE, AND PUBLIC WORKS, BUT INDICATED A NEED FOR MORE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE IN VIEW OF THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS.

''SINCE KENYA IS ALSO A CRUDE OIL IMPORTING NATION, A SUDDEN INCREASE IN CRUDE OIL PRICES WILL HAVE AN EFFECT ON OUR INTERNATIONAL EXPENDITURES,'' SAITOTI TOLD KAIFU.

KAIFU NOTED THAT KENYA HAS LONG BEEN CONSIDERED AN IMPORTANT RECIPIENT OF JAPANESE AID AND REMARKED THAT JAPAN WOULD CONTINUE GIVING KENYA A PRIORITY POSITION IN ITS AID ALLOCATIONS.

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#90239k0012 08/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KANNAMI, SHIZUOKA PREF. (AUG. 27) KYODO - INFLUENTIAL RULING PARTY POLITICIAN SHIN KANEMARU ON MONDAY DISMISSED U.S. DEMANDS FOR AN OPENING OF JAPAN'S PROTECTED RICE MARKET, NOTING THAT THE U.S. STILL MAINTAINED IMPORT RESTRICTIONS FOR SOME OF ITS OWN PRODUCTS.

KANEMARU, FORMER DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER, MADE THE STATEMENT AT A YOUTH MEETING OF THE TAKESHITA FACTION OF THE LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP), WHICH HE SERVES AS PRESIDENT.

''THE U.S. HAS IMPORT RESTRICTIONS JUST LIKE JAPAN. I TOLD (U.S. SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE CLAYTON) YEUTTER THAT COERCING ONLY JAPAN'S RICE MARKET TO OPEN WAS UNLIKELY,'' KANEMARU SAID.

THE TWO HAD MET EARLIER AND DISCUSSED THE LONG-RUNNING U.S. DEMAND THAT JAPAN OPEN ITS RICE MARKET AS PART OF A WORLDWIDE EFFORT TO ELIMINATE PROTECTIONISM IN AGRICULTURE MARKETS.

KANEMARU ALSO APPEALED TO FOOD SECURITY CONCERNS IN DEFENDING THE PROTECTED MARKET, NOTING THAT TWO-THIRDS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE DIET HAD EXPERIENCED RICE SHORTAGES JUST AFTER WORLD WAR II.

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#90239k0017 08/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 27) KYODO - A GOVERNMENT SOURCE ON MONDAY SAID JAPAN CAN TRANSPORT WEAPONS, AMMUNITIONS AND MILITARY PERSONNEL TO THE PERSIAN GULF REGION IN RESPONSE TO A U.S. REQUEST FOR A MULTINATIONAL FORCE.

THE SOURCE SAID THERE ARE NO LEGAL PROBLEMS PROVIDING CHARTERED AIRCRAFT AND SHIPS FOR THAT PURPOSE, BECAUSE IT DOES NOT MEAN THEY WOULD CARRY JAPANESE-MADE ARMS NOR THAT JAPAN WOULD PARTICIPATE IN MILITARY ACTIVITIES OR FIGHTING.

IN ADDITION, THE SOURCE SAID, THE CHARTERED CIVIL AIRCRAFT AND VESSELS ARE LEASED NOT TO THE U.S., BUT RATHER TO A MULTINATIONAL FORCE ATTEMPTING TO END THE GULF CONFLICT FOLLOWING IRAQ'S INVASION ON AUGUST 2 AND SUBSEQUENT ANNEXATION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 8.

THE SOURCE, HOWEVER, RULED OUT THE POSSIBILITY THAT SELF-DEFENSE FORCE (SDF) PERSONNEL MAY UNDERTAKE THE CONTROL OF THE AIRCRAFT, SAYING SDF AND CIVIL AIRCRAFT WILL NOT BE COMBINED.

THE UNITED STATES, WHICH IS SPEARHEADING A MULTINATIONAL FORCE ASSEMBLING IN THE PERSIAN GULF TO ENFORCE UNITED NATIONS SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ FOR ITS OCCUPATION OF KUWAIT, LAST WEEK ASKED JAPAN TO MAKE MORE SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS BY SUPPLYING AIRCRAFT AND VESSELS FOR TRANSPORT OF MILITARY MATERIALS.

THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT IS MULLING BROADER INTERPRETATIONS OF LAWS TO SEND NONMILITARY AID TO THE TROUBLED REGION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE U.S. CALL.

JAPAN'S CONSTITUTION BANS THE SENDING THE SDF OVERSEAS, THOUGH A 1987 LAW ALLOWS ONLY THE DISPATCH OF POLICEMEN AND FIRE FIGHTERS, AS WELL AS

MEDICAL TEAMS IN THE EVENT OF NATURAL DISASTERS SUCH AS EARTHQUAKES AND NUCLEAR ACCIDENTS.

ON MONDAY, A SEPARATE GOVERNMENT SOURCE POINTED OUT THE GOVERMENT INTERPRETS THE USE OF A COLLECTIVE SDF ONLY IN ONGOING MILITARY MANEUVERS, SAYING TRANSPORT OF ARMS AND SOLDIERS BEFORE SUCH ACTIONS ARE TAKEN WOULD POSE NO LEGAL BACKLASH.

AS A CONCRETE EXAMPLE, THE SOURCE CITED THE U.S. MOBILIZATION OF ITS AIRCRAFT CARRIER AND TROOPS STATIONED IN JAPAN TO REGIONS OF TENSION UNDER A BILATERAL SECURITY TREATY. REJECTING SUCH U.S. MILITARY ACTIONS WOULD LEAVE NOTHING FOR JAPAN TO CONTRIBUTE, THE SOURCE SAID.

MEANWHILE, PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU WELCOMED A REPORTED START OF MEDIATION BY U.N. SECRETARY GENERAL JAVIER DE CUELLAR IN BREAKING THE DEADLOCKED GULF SITUATION.

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#90239k0053 08/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 27) KYODO - CROWN PRINCE NARUHITO RETURNED HOME MONDAY ON BOARD A JAPAN AIRLINES FLIGHT AFTER ATTENDING AN ACADEMIC CONFERENCE ON ECONOMIC HISTORY IN BELGIUM AND SOME SIGHTSEEING IN ALASKA.

THE CROWN PRINCE TOLD HIS IMPRESSION OF THE JOURNEY THOUGH ONE OF ATTENDING CHAMBERLAINS, ''THE TRIP WAS MEMORABLE IN ALL WAYS SUCH AS MY FIRST ATTENDANCE TO AN INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC CONFERENCE, VISIT TO LUXEMBOURG AND THE VAST NATURAL BEAUTY OF ALASKA.''

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#90239k0055 08/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 27) KYODO - THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD CONTINUE TO SUPPORT AREAS OF THE COUNTRY THAT ARE SUFFERING BECAUSE OF A RECESSION IN THE COAL MINING SECTOR, A GOVERNMENT ADVISORY PANEL SAID MONDAY.

MORE AID SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE HARDEST HIT AREAS, WHILE THOSE THAT HAVE RECOVERED SHOULD BE REMOVED FROM THE LIST OF AID RECIPIENTS, THE COAL MINING AREA DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL SAID.

IN A MID-TERM REPORT ON THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY OF HELPING COAL MINING AREAS GET BACK ON THEIR FEET, THE COUNCIL, AN ADVISORY PANEL TO THE MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI), CALLED FOR A REVIEW OF DESIGNATED ASSISTANCE.

THERE ARE 19 ECONOMIC AREAS AND 204 MUNICIPAL ENTITIES THAT ARE CURRENTLY LISTED AS THE DESIGNATED AREAS UNDER THE LAW ON EXTRAORDINARY MEASURES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF COAL MINING AREAS.

THE PANEL RECOMMENDED AN EXTENSION OF THE LAW, WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE IN NOVEMBER 1991.

FOR THOSE AREAS THAT REMAIN ON THE LIST, THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD PROVIDE FINANCIAL AND OTHER ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO BOOST LOCAL INDUSTRIES AND ECONOMIES, IT SAID.

EXPANDING THE SPECTRUM OF INDUSTRIES THAT CAN RECEIVE GOVERNMENT AID, THE DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRIAL AND RESIDENTIAL COMPLEXES, AND INVITING ENTERPRISES TO OPEN BUSINESS IN SUCH AREAS WERE ALSO PROPOSED.

THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD ALSO POUR MONEY INTO SUCH AREAS THROUGH EXPANDING LOCAL PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS, IT SAID.

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#90239k0065 08/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 27) KYODO - FURUKAWA ELECTRIC CO. SAID MONDAY A U.S. NATIONAL LABORATORY HAS PLACED AN ORDER WITH IT FOR 19 KILOMETERS OF SUPERCONDUCTING CABLE FOR PLANNED CONSTRUCTION OF A PARTICLE ACCELERATOR.

BROOKHAVEN NATIONAL LABORATORIES IN LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK, CALLED TENDERS AMONG CABLE PRODUCTION COMPANIES FOR CABLE FOR THE PROJECT IN JUNE.

FURUKAWA AND TWO OTHER U.S. COMPANIES WERE CHOSEN FROM NINE COMPETITORS TO PRODUCE A PILOT VERSION OF THE CABLE FOR THE DEVELOPMENTAL STAGE OF THE LABORATORY'S CONSTRUCTION, FURUKAWA OFFICIALS SAID.

THE OFFICIALS DID NOT DIVULGE THE PRICE OF THE ORDER, BUT SAID THE LABORATORY PLANS TO FURTHER SELECT ONE OF THE THREE COMPANIES LATER TO PRODUCE 520 KILOMETERS OF SIMILAR CABLE DURING THE MAIN STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION AT A COST OF ABOUT 1 BILLION YEN.

THE U.S. LABORATORY PLANS TO START CONSTRUCTION FROM OCTOBER THIS YEAR FOR COMPLETION IN APRIL 1994.

THE PARTICLE ACCELERATOR, CALLED A RELATIVISTIC HEAVY ION COLLIDER, IS FOR THE STUDY OF HYPOTHETICAL BASIC PARTICLES KNOWN AS QUARKS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90239k0071 08/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 27) KYODO - SUMITOMO HEAVY INDUSTRIES LTD. SAID MONDAY IT HAS RECEIVED AN ORDER VALUED AT ABOUT 2 BILLION YEN FROM A SWISS FIRM TO PROVIDE A SUMITOMO-DEVELOPED NEW SYSTEM FOR THE TREATMENT OF USED DRY BATTERIES.

THE INSTALLATION OF THE SYSTEM FOR THE ZURICH-BASED BATREC AG IS SCHEDULED TO BE COMPLETED IN MID-1992, SUMITOMO HEAVY INDUSTRIES OFFICIALS SAID.

THE SYSTEM SEPARATES MERCURY, ZINC, IRON, AND MANGANESE FROM BATTERIES AFTER THEY HAVE BEEN INCINERATED AND DISSOLVED, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

IN ADDITION TO GETTING RID OF MERCURY, THE SYSTEM MAKES RECYCLING OF OTHER METALLIC COMPONENTS POSSIBLE, THEY SAID.

BATREC IS A BATTERY DISPOSAL FIRM THAT WAS FORMED IN MAY OF LAST YEAR. THE NEW PLANT WILL BE BUILT IN THE OUTSKIRTS OF BERN AND WILL DISPOSE OF NEARLY 60 PERCENT, OR 2,000 TONS OF THE NATION'S DRY BATTERIES PER YEAR.

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#90239k0073 08/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 27) KYODO - KANDENKO CO., A MAJOR JAPANESE ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING FIRM, MONDAY ANNOUNCED THE COMPLETION OF A TEST WIND POWER GENERATION SYSTEM FOR USE IN THE ANTARCTIC.

THE SYSTEM WILL BE INSTALLED NEXT JANUARY AT ASUKA BASE, JAPAN'S INLAND OBSERVATION CENTER IN THE ANTARCTIC, AND WILL BE IN TRIAL OPERATION OVER A ONE-YEAR PERIOD, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE EXPERIMENTAL FACILITY IS THE LATEST HOPE FOR WIND POWER GENERATION ON THE ICY CONTINENT FOLLOWING 14 UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPTS BY HONDA MOTOR CO., NIHON UNIVERSITY, AND OTHER RESEARCH TEAMS SINCE 1957.

THE OFFICIALS ARE OPTIMISTIC THAT THE NEW SYSTEM WILL WORK SINCE IT HAS BEEN DESIGNED TO WITHSTAND EXTREMELY LOW TEMPERATURES AND VERY STRONG WINDS.

THE SYSTEM, COMPOSED MAINLY OF ROTORS, BLADES AND A GENERATOR, IS SIX METERS HIGH, WEIGHS 630 KILOGRAMS AND HAS A MAXIMUM GENERATION CAPACITY OF FIVE KILOWATTS.

KANDENKO IS HAS CLOSE TIES WITH TOKYO ELECTRIC POWER CO.

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#90239k0083 08/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 27) KYODO - KOKUSAI DENSHIN DENWA CO. (KDD) HAS STARTED OPERATING A JOINT CORPORATE TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK SERVICE WITH MCI TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP. OF THE UNITED STATES AND BRITISH TELECOM (BT), KDD ANNOUNCED MONDAY.

PORT-PLAN NETWORK WAS DEVELOPED UNDER AN AGREEMENT REACHED BY THE TELECOM

FIRMS IN FEBRUARY 1990.

KYOWA BANK IS THE FIRST JAPANESE CUSTOMER TO USE THE NEW SERVICE, HAVING JUST COMPLETED ITS OWN INTERNATIONAL TELECOM NETWORK.

KDD WILL USE INTERNATIONAL CIRCUITS TO LINK ITS PORT-PLAN SYSTEMS IN TOKYO AND OSAKA WITH MCI'S SYSTEM IN PISCATAWAY, NEW JERSEY, AND BT'S SYSTEM IN LONDON.

SUBSCRIBERS WILL BE ABLE TO USE SAVE TIME AND MONEY BY USING THE CIRCUITS IN DATA, VOICE, FACSIMILE OR CHARACTER COMMUNICATIONS.

THE NEW 64-KILOBIT DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK BETWEEN JAPAN'S HEAD OFFICE AND THE U.S., BRITAIN, HONG KONG, AND SINGAPORE SHOULD HELP CUT COSTS BY ABOUT 30 PERCENT, KDD OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90239k0088 08/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 27) KYODO - THE TOKYO REGIONAL TAXATION BUREAU HAS IMPOSED SEVERE PENALTY TAXES OF 240 MILLION YEN ON A LEADING AERIAL SURVEY FIRM INVOLVED IN A STOCK SCANDAL AS IT HAS UNCOVERED THE FIRM RAISED 450 MILLION YEN IN UNDECLARED FUNDS FOR POSSIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO POLITICIANS, TAX OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

SOME FORMER EXECUTIVES OF KOKUSAI KOGYO CO. RAISED THE MONEY OVER A PERIOD OF ABOUT FOUR YEARS BEFORE THE TAKEOVER OF THE FIRM BY THE KOSHIN GROUP IN DECEMBER 1988, FOLLOWING ACQUISITION OF THE COMPANY'S SHARES OVER THE PREVIOUS YEAR, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THEY SAID THE COMPANY TOLD IT THAT IT DID NOT KNOWN HOW FORMER EXECUTIVES USED THE MONEY.

LOCAL PUBLIC PROSECUTORS FILED AN INDICTMENT EARLY THIS MONTH AGAINST MITSUHIRO KOTANI, LEADER OF THE KOSHIN GROUP, FOR ALLEGEDLY PROFITING THROUGH ILLEGAL STOCK PRICE MANUPULATION BY WHICH HE TOOK OVER KOKUSAI KOGYO.

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#90239k0090 08/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (AUG. 27) KYODO - NIPPON STEEL CORP. AND MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC WORKS LTD. SAID MONDAY THEY HAVE JOINTLY DEVELOPED A SUBSTANCE THAT IS HIGHLY EFFICIENT IN ELIMINATING A WIDE ARRAY OF ODORS.

THE NEW ODOR KILLER IS MADE OF PIG IRON POWDER IN THE FORM OF A THIN SPONGE. THE SPONGE IS COATED WITH A METAL ION-ASCORBIC ACID (VITAMIN C) COMPLEX AND TREATED WITH OTHER CHEMICALS, THEY SAID.

IT ELIMINATES ODORS SIX TIMES FASTER THAN ACTIVATED CARBON BUT IS THREE TO FIVE TIMES MORE EXPENSIVE, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID. THE SUBSTANCE, HOWEVER, ALSO LASTS FAR LONGER THAN ACTIVATED CARBON.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE NEW SUBSTANCE CAN REMOVE NEARLY ALL TYPES OF DAILY ODORS, INCLUDING NITROGEN-BASED ODORS FROM TOBACCO AND TAINTED MEAT, AS WELL AS SULFURIC-BASED SMELLS FROM ROTTEN VEGETABLES AND EGGS.

NSC WILL PRODUCE THE SUBSTANCE AND MATSUSHITA WILL BEGIN MARKETING IT AS AN AIR PURIFIER IN AUTOMOBILES STARTING IN SEPTEMBER.

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#90239k0091 08/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KATHMANDU (AUG. 27) KYODO - AT LEAST 20 PERSONS WERE KILLED BY FLASH FLOODS AND LANDSLIDES FOLLOWING TORRENTIAL RAINS IN SOUTHWEST NEPAL LATE SUNDAY, OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

THE 18-HOUR-LONG RAINS ALSO DESTROYED PROPERTY AND STANDING CROPS IN THE RUPENDEHI, RAUTAHAT, CHITWAN, NAWALPARASI, AND MAKAWANPUR DISTRICTS, ACCORDING TO THE HOME MINISTRY.

ELEVEN PERSONS ARE REPORTED MISSING IN THE CHITWAN DISTRICT, WHILE SEVEN OTHERS ARE UNACCOUNTED FOR AT PAKHAPANI IN THE RAUTAHAT DISTRICT.

ALL WERE WASHED AWAY BY SWOLLEN RIVERS. BAGMATI AND RAPTI WERE AMONG THE FLOODED RIVERS.

TWO PEOPLE WERE ALSO KILLED WHEN THEIR HOUSE WAS BURIED IN A LANDSLIDE AT BHAINSE IN MAKAWANPUR DISTRICT.

MORE THAN 250 HOUSES AND CROPS ON SEVERAL HUNDRED ACRES OF LAND WERE ALSO DESTROYED BY THE MONSOON RAINS, REPORTS SAID.

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#90239m0001 08/27/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG 27) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

Stocks rally in Tokyo where the Nikkei gains 976 points. ... London stocks are closed for a holiday. ... U.S. stocks trading overseas are higher. ... The dollar is sharply lower ... Gold is down $9.75. ... In thin trading, North Sea crude is off $.75 to $29.50. ... Members of the ORGANIZATION OF

PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES are in Vienna for what some predict could be a formal meeting on oil production and price policy. ... New orders for U.S.-made machine tools dropped 11.9% in July, reports the ASSOCIATION FOR MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY. layoffs announced last week. ... A COMMERCE DEPARTMENT report shows corporate after-tax profits were down 0.2% in the second-quarter compared to the first-quarter.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT issues personal income and outlay figures for July later this morning. ... PRESIDENT BUSH meets at at noon today with CANADIAN PRIME MINISTER MULRONEY. ... Second-quarter merchandise trade statistics are due out tomorrow from Commerce, followed by leading indicators and single-family home sales on Wednesday. On Thursday, the same department issues manufacturers' shipments, inventories and orders for July.

FROM THE BULLS:

"Basically, we see value [in stocks]," says ARNOLD MOSKOWITZ, director of investment strategy at COUNTY NATWEST USA. "For the past several months we have been looking for a low in the market in late summer, with the Dow going down roughly to the 2500 level and bond rates going up to the 9 to 9 1/2 [percent] zone and both of these targets have been achieved." He acknowledges that he was raising cash positions a few weeks ago as the Middle East situation heated up, but says he is moving money back into stocks now. "We don't attempt to pick bottoms ... we pick value." He says emotionalism spawned by the Mideast situation "can bring the market down 100 Dow points, but we think for the most part that just makes stocks a lot cheaper." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/24)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The market is still vulnerable to a downturn," says HOWARD BERL, partner at MONTGOMERY SECURITIES in San Francisco. MARSHALL ACUFF, strategist at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM, says the mood of the market is depressed. "Any rally here is looked upon with skepticism. Typically in a bear market rallies tend to be short and sharp." ("USA Today", 8/27)

"There is a possibility there might be a short-term bottom in this 2450-2500 area in the Dow, but I don't think it's worth much more than some periodic bounces," says PHILIP RETTEW, technical analyst at MERRILL-LYNCH. "Whether we have more of these periodic bounces or not, I suspect the ultimate low is going to be in the low 2000s." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/24)

"It's hard to imagine pessimism getting greater than it is right now," says DONALD FISHBACK JR., of INVESTMENT RESEARCH INSTITUTE. "And we know

from experience that when pessimism reaches an extreme, stocks make important bottoms." (NYT, 8/26)

"Barron's" revisits five bears this week who all predicted market declines in interviews going back to April. BOB FARRELL of MERRILL LYNCH now says the Middle East crisis is part of an evolving "new order" that remains to be settled. "We don't know what that new reality is and that's what bear markets are - a time when stock prices go down because there isn't a clear focus yet on what the new reality is." BARTON BIGGS of MORGAN STANLEY ASSET MANAGEMENT says, "To be sure, we are in a bear market. And all we're going to have is a rally within that bear market. But the rally is going to be a very significant rally." MELISSA BROWN of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE says, "At this point, I am still pretty negative. We have a ways to go down before things start to look better." STEVE LEUTHOLD, head of the LEUTHOLD GROUP, says, "I still think this is a cyclical bear market." NICHOLAS PARKS, head of PARKS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, says he suspects the Dow could go as low as 2000. "However, I don't see a secular decline like in the early 1970s, because back then, the bear market had to do with things that went beyond the economy. ... So my current plans are to start buying around the 2000-2200 level." ("Barron's", 8/27)

STOCK MARKET:

For the investor who is trying to judge whether to get back in, it may be a little too early, says TOM ROBINSON, international investment strategist for MERRILL LYNCH. "Let's let the big institutional guys play first," he says. Robinson would steer clear of the Japanese market, which he believes is still vulnerable to bad news. German stocks rallied 4% today, but Robinson thinks they are overvalued when compared to French stocks. Robinson likes British stocks: "At this particular time we are seeing a return to value in the marketplace, and the U.K. does provide us good value at these prices, even given the [negative] backdrop of the economy." (CNN "Business Day", 8/27)

"Short-term, I feel it's too late to short," says JON GROVEMEN, president of LANDENBURG THALMANN & CO. "I think investors could nibble cautiously on some stocks, but they should be ready to lighten up around Dow 2750." ("Investor's Daily", 8/27)

"A recession means lower earnings and that means a bear market," says GREG MELVIN, manager of the FEDERATED GROWTH TRUST. "A bear market means 80% of stocks will go down. There aren't any gimmies out there." ("USA Today", 8/27)

"I think we've just about washed out the sellers," says MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER & CO., who believes stock prices are near a bottom unless there are increased hostilities in the Middle East. Among those believing the market has a lot more downside are MICHAEL JENKINS of "Stock Cycles

Forecasts" and ALFRED GOLDMAN of A.G. EDWARDS & CO. ("The Washington Post", 8/26)

"The markets are worrying that there will be a prolonged and messy confrontation [in the Mideast]," says EDWARD YARDENI, chief economist at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. "The optimistic story, for the markets, now is that there will most likely be a [quickly settled] military confrontation." (NYT, 8/26)

Friday's market action may reflect typical bear-market behavior, says KEN KNUTEL, director of equity mutual funds for KEMPER FINANCIAL SERVICES. "In bear markets, if the market declines for the week, Friday is an up-day because shorts are locking in their gains," he says. ("Investor's Daily", 8/27)

"I do agree that probably the market today [Friday] was just a bounce and the market will go back and test the old lows and maybe continue down some more because I think we have further upward to go on the long-term interest rates," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/24)

ROBERT LEO, director of mutual funds at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS, says there's been little outflow from stock and bond funds, but new purchases have stopped. "I think people feel there's hope that this can turn quickly. They understand the market has already fallen far and there's the potential of selling at the bottom and missing the move back up." ("USA Today", 8/27)

"This may sound ghoulish ... but the conditions in the Mideast will probably come to some kind of conclusion within the next 90 to 120 days," says MONTE GORDON of DREYFUS CORP. "But over the longer term, the more basic element that is going to be involved in here is going to be the condition of the U.S. economy. The Middle East represents a potential convulsion and a change in the way we've been doing business for many years ... but if you look past this, out in the longer term, the stocks which have been going down very sharply are offering a buying opportunity." ("Wall Street Week", 8/24)

"This economy is not going to fall totally apart just because we are at war in the Middle East, even if we do go to war, so I look at it [the situation] as a buying opportunity," says MACEO SLOAN. "The stocks that have come down most ... are the stocks that I think we should take a look at and buy and put in portfolios." ("Wall Street Week", 8/24)

STOCK TIPS:

"USA Today" lists three stock pickers recession-resistant stock picks. MARSHALL ACUFF, chief strategist at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM, likes some

blue chips: drug maker BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB, consumer products giant PHILIP MORRIS and electric utility DOMINION RESOURCES. He says all are classic defensive plays that generate healthy cash flow and haven't gotten overvalued. STUART WILLIAMS, manager of the FIDELITY FREEDOM FUND, likes AMERICAN STORES, Canadian security-systems maker ADT LTD. and home-remodeling supply maker HOME DEPOT. ROBERT HABER, manager of the FIDELITY PLYMOUTH FUND is focusing on health care by recommending NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, HEALTH CARE PROPERTIES, NATIONWIDE HEALTH PROPERTIES and AMERICAN HEALTH PROPERTIES. ("USA Today", 8/27)

Unusually heavy volume in UNION CARBIDE last month led to takeover rumors. Now, CNN's DAN DORFMAN reports a million share stake has been taken by PHIL FROST, head of IVAX, a company with interests in speciality chemicals. His intentions are anybody's guess, says Dorfman, noting that Frost has also taken a position in another chemical company, FERRO. The estimated takeover value is 45-55 per share; the stock closed up 1/4 on Friday at 15 5/8. (CNN "Business Morning", 8/27)

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#90239m0002 08/27/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG 27) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"There's a threat of military conflict ... and despite all the obvious concerns over the economy, the knee-jerk reaction says you buy dollars," says EARL JOHNSON, a vice president at HARRIS TRUST & SAVINGS BANK in Chicago. "Events are arguing for a higher dollar, but fundamentals are arguing for a lower dollar," says STEPHEN FLANAGAN, a vice president at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER TRUST. ("Investor's Daily", 8/27)

"We could see substantial improvement [in the international trade picture] and I would think that would be good for the dollar," says MICHAEL MORAN, chief economist at DAIWA SECURITIES AMERICA. CARL WEINBERG, chief economist at HIGH FREQUENCY ECONOMICS LTD., agrees that potential improvement in the trade balance bodes well for the dollar. (WSJ, 8/27)

"In effect, financial asset prices are now being driven by the looming struggle [in the Persian Gulf] between the eagle and the scorpion, not Wall Street's traditional bidding competition between bulls and bears," says DAVID HALE, chief economist at KEMPER FINANCIAL SERVICES. WILLIAM GROSS, a managing director at the PACIFIC INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT CO., agrees that "oil and the potential for war are two giant factors in the [bond] market right now." (NYT, 8/27)

RICHARD BERNER, a senior economist at SALOMON BROTHERS, says the Mideast crisis-driven pressure on bond prices may drive them "down to levels that truly reflect the worst possible outcome - and therefore create genuine bargains. Where those levels may be remains unclear, however, and it is fruitless to hang a market forecast on political and emotional factors. It only seems safe to say that the markets haven't yet reached that point." ("Investor's Daily", 8/27)

"If oil prices continue to rise and the economy remains under pressure, prices of corporate bonds have to fall relative to Treasurys," says DAVID GLENN of SCUDDER, STEVENS & CLARK. (WSJ, 8/27)

"If we have a war, [interest] rates will go higher," says ROBERT BARBERA, chief economist at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "If we don't, this sell-off is vastly overdone. ... Oil prices are above $30 a barrel not because we lost Kuwait, but because the world is waiting for war. If oil falls back to $23 to $24 a barrel, we will be in for a mild recession and bonds will be at the point where they can stop worrying about oil, and rally." (NYT, 8/27)

THE ECONOMY:

CYNTHIA LATTA of DRI/McGRAW HILL says Friday's GNP report pegging second-quarter growth at 1.2% showed "much better-quality growth, with more final demand and less inventory accumulation." DAVID RESLER, chief economist with NOMURA SECURITIES, observes: "Under normal circumstances, one might be able to look at the numbers and take some encouragement from inventories. Unfortunately, these aren't normal circumstances. The world changed Aug. 2" with the invasion of Kuwait. ("Investor's Daily", 8/27)

ROBERT BRUSCA, chief economist at NIKKO SECURITIES, looks for oil prices to spike and drive the wholesale and consumer price indexes up "for a quarter or so and then those inflation effects will begin to disappear. Inflation has tended to come and go because of commodity price problems, but once it has come, it actually has dissipated pretty quickly. I think that is something to bear in mind." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/24)

The U.S. economy is "proving to be a real tiger," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." It's very hard to put it down; it's very hard to stop consumers from spending; it's very hard to stop the banks from mailing people new credit cards and approving new credit. ... It's hard to cut off consumer spending ... so things are a little bit stronger and of course that does constrain the Fed a little bit" in cutting interest rates. (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 8/24)

JOHN DESSAUER says the current Middle East crisis is nothing like it was in 1973-74. "In the old days, back in the early 1970s, it was OPEC against us and this time it is us - meaning the whole world - against

SADDAM HUSSEIN. The reason the oil price is where it is is because we are not buying his oil, which he would dearly like to sell to us." Dessauer says there may be a technical recession, "but with the dollar down and 126 million Americans at work, I find it hard to look for a serious recession." ("Wall Street Week", 8/24)

ALBERT MOORE, president of the ASSOCIATION FOR MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY, says the decline in machine tool orders reported this morning is typical for the annual summer slowdown. "Machine tool orders are hanging tough, considering that July is usually a slow month, as many manufacturing plants have summer shutdowns and the auto industry is normally in the process of model changeovers."

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#90239p8821 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Chanel, Inc., announced that "Eden Roc" -- a new television commercial for Chanel No 5 directed by internationally renowned filmmaker Ridley Scott and starring Carole Bouquet -- will debut on national television today.

Filmed on location along the Cote d'Azur in France earlier this year, "Eden Roc" was inspired by Carole Bouquet, the actress whose haunting beauty has graced Chanel television and print advertising since 1987.

Fourteen days of filming were required for the 30-second commercial, a brief but carefully crafted meditation on reality and illusion, in which Carole Bouquet confronts a mysterious -- but equally beautiful -- "double". Production was overseen by Scott and Chanel artistic director Jacques Helleu, and involved such technical feats as constructing a swimming pool in the shape of the legendary Chanel bottle and moving scenery along a complex series of hidden tracks in order to cast the "perfect" shadow.

"Eden Roc" is the fourth in a series of television commercials created by Ridley Scott for Chanel since 1979. Its predecessors -- "Pool", "Gardens" and "Monument" -- ushered in a new wave of television commercials whose dramatic visuals, musical accompaniment, and painstaking editing were the equal of any feature length motion picture.

Scott, whose visual mastery earned critical and popular acclaim in "Alien" "Blade Runner" and last year's "Black Rain", was the first choice of Chanel artistic director Jacques Helleu for the campaign. Helleu's overriding objective was to select a filmmaker able to create the memorable visuals that have long been the hallmark of Chanel advertising.

As worldwide artistic director for Chanel, Helleu is the principal guardian of the Chanel image and oversees a myriad of the company's

creativity, from package design for fragrance and Beaute to the production of their advertising. Chanel advertising throughout the world is developed in Paris under Helleu's supervision to ensure international consistency.

The Chanel leadership position in fragrance advertising has been confirmed by critical as well as popular acceptance. Earlier this year, the Fragrance Foundation cited Chanel for four decades of television advertising judged to have created the most memorable awareness of a fragrance while best reflecting the social mode of its time.

CONTACT: Susan Duffy of Chanel, 212-303-5954

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#90239p8833 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

Glen Rock, N.J. (AUG. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Citizens First National Bank (the "bank"), also acting in their capacity as directors of the bank's parent, Citizens First Bancorp, Inc. (Amex: CFB) (the "company"), announced Friday that Richard G. Kelley has elected to take early retirement and has resigned from the positions of chairman and chief executive officer of the bank and the company. Kelley, who shall continue as a member of the board of directors, has entered into a consulting agreement with the company.

The board also announced that it has elected George E. Alford as the new chairman of the board of both the bank and the company. Alford has been a director of the bank and the company since 1985 and was formerly chairman of the board of Valley Hospital, Ridgewood, N.J.

The board appointed Rodney T. Verblaauw as acting chief executive officer of the bank while a committee established by the board undertakes a search for a new chief executive officer. Verblaauw is currently president of the bank and the company and will continue to act in that capacity.

CONTACT: Citizens First Public Relations, 201-445-3400

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#90239p8839 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL SEGUNDO, CA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Infonet today announced that its international value-added network will offer local coverage in Berlin. Germany's DATEX-P public data network subscribers will be able to gain access to Infonet's global network from Berlin by making a local phone call. Local access will also be available from Dresden, Leipzig and Chemnitz in early 1991.

The Infonet network is currently accessible in more than 110 countries for

worldwide data, E-mail, store and forward, fax and telex transmissions.

"German companies currently have local access to Infonet from Frankfurt," said Michael J. Timmins, Infonet's vice president for Europe, Africa and the Middle East. "Our upcoming expansion into Berlin via DATEX-P will allow us to serve a much larger German user base."

Some of the top names in the United States publishing business are particularly interested in using the Infonet network to cover further newsworthy developments resulting from the unification of East and West Germany. Newsweek, Time Inc. Magazines, The Los Angeles Times and Boston Globe are all Infonet customers.

Correspondents for these organizations typically write their stories on an office PC at a foreign bureau or on a laptop computer in the field. Then they make a local phone call, which connects them to the Infonet network, and transmit their files directly to text processing systems in the United States.

Once on-line editing and page formatting are completed, these text processing systems automatically forward the output for typesetting and printing. The entire process is computerized for accuracy and speed.

Newsweek has nine domestic bureaus and roughly 12 foreign bureaus connected to the Infonet network. The Boston Globe has dozens of correspondents who file stories from foreign countries via Infonet. Globe editors in turn rely on Infonet to transmit messages, instructions, research and background material to reporters in the field.

Time Inc. Magazines has been an Infonet customer for close to five years. "A correspondent may transmit a story to us from one country on Tuesday and another article from a different country on Friday," stated John D. Constantine, Time Inc. Magazines' wire services manager.

CONTACT: Mike Radice, of Infonet, 213-335-2875; or Gayle Paride of Regis McKenna Inc., 714-850-4422, for Infonet.

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#90239p8840 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENLO PARK, CA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Freightways Inc. (NYSE: CNF) today announced that it has signed agreements with the San Francisco-based Bank of America (NT&SA) providing for a two-part financing totaling $350 million.

The first component is a $100 million fixed rate term loan, the funding of which is intended to replace an existing receivable purchase fixed rate facility and for general corporate purposes.

The second component is a $250 million syndicated accounts receivable-backed credit facility, the primary purpose of which will be to provide standby availability for Consolidated Freightways' existing letters of credit and surety bonds. The credit facility is intended to take the place of a previously announced syndicated credit program.

"These financing arrangements with the Bank of America recognize the improved operating results at Consolidated Freightways Inc. and meet the company's current financial requirements," said Donald E. Moffitt, executive vice president and chief financial officer. "We are pleased to renew a relationship with the Bank of America that goes back several decades."

The financing arrangements are subject to customary conditions and are scheduled to close expeditiously.

The company said that its Emery Worldwide subsidiary continues to exhibit improved results with stabilized levels of revenues and reduced expenses, and that its motor freight subsidiaries continue to experience robust levels of business and improved profits.

Consolidated Freightways Inc. is a diversified transportation company with businesses in long-haul trucking, regional overnight trucking, air freight and intermodal rail and ocean services.

CONTACT: J.R. Allen of Consolidated Freightways Inc., 415-326-1700

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#90239p8845 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - MobileComm, BellSouth Enterprises' paging subsidiary, and CellTelCo Nationwide Paging Partnership today announced an agreement in principle to form a joint partnership to operate one of the three nationwide paging licenses.

CellTelCo and MobileComm will jointly develop and operate a nationwide paging system on 931.8875 MHz. CellTelCo owns the right to construct and operate a nationwide paging system on this bandwidth. It will contribute this license to the joint venture in exchange for 50 percent of the resulting company. MobileComm will provide network facilities and capital to the project in exchange for the other 50 percent. Concurrent with the formation of the joint venture, MobileComm will offer to purchase an equity interest in CellTelCo. The joint venture will be managed by a Partner's Committee consisting of representatives from MobileComm and CellTelCo.

"This joint venture with CellTelCo will allow BellSouth to be a major

participant in the development of the national paging industry," said Earle Mauldin, group president - mobile systems for BellSouth Enterprises. "National paging will further enhance our varied mobile services offerings."

"Nationwide paging will uniquely position MobileComm as a carrier capable of meeting all of our customers' one-way messaging needs," added Steve Pazian, president and CEO of MobileComm.

"The CellTelCo Partner's Committee is pleased to establish this important relationship with MobileComm which allows our partners to fully participate in the high growth nationwide paging business," said Robert Blow, CellTelCo's general partner.

MobileComm will market the national paging service and expects to begin providing service after closing the agreement.

BellSouth Enterprises manages a group of companies within BellSouth Corp. (NYSE: BLS) that provide telecommunications and data processing equipment, mobile telecommunications services and directory advertising/publishing services throughout the world. Its subsidiary, MobileComm, provides paging service in major markets throughout the United States with more than 575,000 units in service.

CONTACT: Carlton Hill of BellSouth Enterprises, 404-249-4135

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#90239p8850 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Xsirius Superconductivity Inc. (NASDAQ: XSCIA), a Scottsdale firm engaged in the commercialization of high temperature superconductors, announced today that its Israeli subsidiary, Xsirius Superconductivity Materials Ltd., has signed a major agreement with the Electronic Systems Division of RAFAEL in Israel to jointly develop advanced microwave components based on high temperature superconductivity for aerospace and other commercial telecommunication applications.

According to Xsirius Superconductivity's President and CEO Dr. Gerald Huth the agreement will have a significant impact in the microwave field. "Xsirius has defined technologically feasible, market-driven products and turned to RAFAEL for their knowledge of applications, engineering and marketing. This type of agreement represents the most effective method of commercializing high temperature superconductivity," Huth said.

Xsirius' approach to commercialization is focusing its knowledge of high temperature superconductor technology while recruiting corporate partners with expertise in engineering and marketing to bring new products to the

marketplace.

The broad consensus is that microwave devices based on high temperature superconductor thin film technology will be the first to be successfully commercialized. Over the past year, Xsirius has developed its advanced thin film fabrication technology to the point of production readiness in anticipation of this type of project.

The Electronic Systems Division of RAFAEL is well known as an innovator in microwave devices and systems development. "They will be an excellent partner for Xsirius," Huth said.

Xsirius' overall strategy is to have access to a broad range of materials development in the high temperature superconductivity field from both internally developed sources such as its advanced, high temperature superconductivity thin film facility in Israel and from laboratories, universities and other groups around the world. The company also sponsors a program of aggressive, innovative, in-house research and development, and patent acquisition.

CONTACT: Gerald Huth, Ph.D., president and CEO, or Steve Yost, 602-991-3488, both of Xsirius Superconductivity Inc.

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#90239p8851 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Tinglefoot Mining Inc. (OTC "Pink Sheets") announced this morning that Alpha 7 Productions Inc. has acquired a majority of its outstanding stock from Blue Moon Productions Inc. and MRI Medical Diagnostics Inc.

Alpha 7 purchased 7,200,000 shares of common stock for a purchase price of $500,000.

Tinglefoot intends to call a special shareholders meeting to change the name of the company to Alpha 7 Productions. David Alexander has been elected president of the company. Alexander has been planning and developing a "Spring Fever" concert over five years. This concert would take place in Central Florida in the spring of 1991.

Tinglefoot currently acts as general partner of House Calls of San Diego, a California Limited Partnership, which publishes a health directed community publication. The paper is distributed to homes and medical offices.

CONTACT: David Alexander, president of Alpha 7 Productions Inc., 619-236-0900.

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#90239p8853 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - JPS Textile Group, Inc. has extended until midnight, New York time, on Monday, Aug. 27, 1990, the expiration date, consent solicitation and withdrawal rights relating to each of the following: JPS's cash tender offer for all of its outstanding senior variable rate notes due 1996, senior subordinated discount notes due 1999 and 15-1/4 percent senior subordinated notes due 1999, at a purchase price of $750, $256.07 and $400, respectively, per $1,000 principal amount tendered; its cash tender offer for all of its outstanding shares of Series A exchangeable adjustable rate preferred stock, at a purchase price of $10 per share tendered; and its offer to exchange $1,000 principal amount of its new 6 percent (Pay-in-Kind) subordinated debentures due 1999 for each $1,000 principal amount of its outstanding 14-1/4 percent subordinated debentures due 2000. Each such offer, which originally commenced on July 20, 1990, was scheduled to expire at midnight, on Aug. 24, 1990, unless extended.

As of Aug. 24, 1990, approximately $1,600,000 in outstanding principal amount of the senior variable rate notes was tendered for purchase and not withdrawn, and no other JPS securities had been tendered pursuant to the offers.

CONTACT: Maureen Burgess of Kekst & Co., 212-593-2655, for JPS Textile

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#90239p8855 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Bond Brewing Holdings Limited (BBH) today announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Dimola Pty. Ltd. (Dimola), has extended its offer to purchase all outstanding 12-5/8 percent extendable subordinated debentures of BBH until midnight, New York City time, on Friday, Aug. 31, 1990. Debentures tendered pursuant to the offer may be withdrawn at any time prior to acceptance for purchase pursuant to the offer. The depositary has advised BBH and Dimola that, as of noon, New York City time, on Friday, Aug. 24, 1990, approximately 2.6 percent of the outstanding principal amount of debentures had been tendered to the depositary pursuant to the tender offer.

As previously disclosed by BBH, Bell Resources Ltd. (BRL), an Australian corporation which is the potential purchaser of the vast majority of the capital stock of BBH pursuant to a contract entered into on May 29, 1989 between BRL and Bond Corporation Holdings Limited, the owner of 100 percent of the capital stock of BBH, has entered into a joint venture agreement with Lion Nathan Limited (LN), a New Zealand brewer, to own and operate BBH following its acquisition by BRL. Pursuant to the joint venture agreement, BRL and LN have made an offer of financing to Dimola of

funds to be utilized by Dimola in purchasing BBH debentures pursuant to the tender offer.

CONTACT: James Rawlings, 212-223-4202, for Bond Brewing Holdings Limited

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#90239p8856 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WATERTOWN, MA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Summit Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: BEAM) announced today that the F.D.A. has given approval to proceed in Phase 2B of the photorefractive keratectomy (PRK) clinical trials. One hundred additional patients will be done in this Phase enabling Summit to expand its clinical trials for treating near-sightedness using the ExciMed(tm) UV200 excimer laser. These trials are being conducted on sighted patients with varying degrees of near-sightedness.

Summit Technology, Inc. has established a leadership position in designing manufacturing and marketing medical excimer laser systems. A major focus of the company's business is in ophthalmology where applications have been developed for the treatment of common vision disorders including near-sightedness, far-sightedness, glaucoma, astigmatism, and superficial diseases of the cornea.

Summit has received six Investigational Device Exemption approvals from the F.D.A. for clinical trials with its excimer laser systems. To date, the Summit Technology ExciMed UV200 excimer laser system has been used to treat approximately 750 patients in clinical trials at 20 domestic and 27 international sites.

CONTACT: Helen Maslocka of Summit Technology, 617-923-9633.

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#90239p8859 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Liz Claiborne, Inc. (NASDAQ: LIZC) announced today that its board of directors had extended the company's previously announced program to purchase its common stock by authorizing the purchase, from time to time and as market and business conditions warrant, of up to an additional $50 million of its common stock for cash in open market purchases and privately negotiated transactions.

The company originally announced a stock purchase program in December 1989 authorizing the expenditure of up to $50 million at that time. As of Aug. 24, 1990, the company had expended approximately $50 million under the program, purchasing an aggregate of approximately 1,950,000 shares.

Based on the last reported sales price of the company's shares Friday of $25.75 per share, the new stock buy-back would involve slightly more than

1.9 million additional shares. The company has approximately 86.6 million shares outstanding. Shares acquired will be available for use under the company's employee stock option plans and for other general corporate purposes. No time limit was set for the completion of the program.

Samuel M. Miller, the company's chief financial officer, stated: "We continue to believe that deploying a portion of the company's available cash in this manner increases the overall return to our shareholders, without adversely impacting our ability to take advantage of business opportunities which may present themselves, or our capital spending."

CONTACT: Samuel M. Miller, chief financial officer of Liz Claiborne, 212-354-4900.

-30- 1776

#90239p8862 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TX (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola's (NYSE: MOT) Microprocessor Products Group today announced the 68331 (331), the newest member of the 68300 family for embedded control. The 331 is similar in design to Motorola's 68332 (332) with cost saving changes which allow Motorola to make 32-bit power available to cost-sensitive applications. Motorola also announced reduced pricing for the 332 and a new development system for the 68300 family.

"The functionality and peripheral set of the 331 makes 32-bit power available at the lowest price ever," said Steve Marsh, director of marketing for Motorola's Microcontroller Division. "Additionally, the 332 is progressing quickly down the learning curve which demonstrates Motorola's commitment to providing affordable high performance microcontrollers."

Designed for applications with less emphasis on real-time control, the 68331, similar to its predecessor the 332, is modular in design and has a central processing unit which is a subset of the 68020 (CPU32). The 331 integrates the CPU32 with a queued serial module (QSM), a system integration module (SIM) and a general purpose timer (GPT). All modules are interconnected through the intermodule bus (IMB). The smaller GPT replaces the high performance time processing unit (TPU) found on the 332. While it is a sophisticated timer, the GPT does not run independently of the CPU32 as does the TPU on the 332. The GPT has a 16-bit counter that can access either an internal or an external clock. This counter serves three input capture channels, four output compare channels and one dual purpose channel. The GPT also has an 8-bit pulse accumulator and a 16-bit counter that controls two 8-bit pulse width modulation outputs. The QSM integrates an asynchronous serial communications interface (SCI) with a queued synchronous serial peripheral interface (SPI). The SIM provides an external bus interface with on-chip programmable chip select logic, system

failure protection and a low power phase lock loop oscillator subsystem.

The 68331 is sampling now and is priced at $36 in 1K quantities. Volume production is expected in 1991. The 331 is available in 132 pin PQFP.

Effective immediately, the pricing for the 68332 is reduced from $85 to $49 in 1K quantities.

CONTACT: Kristin Graves of Cunningham Communication, 408-982-0400, for Motorola.

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#90239p8865 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Corporation of America (CCA), a leading developer of advanced information management software and services, today announced record financial results for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990.

For fiscal year 1990, net income after taxes increased 156 percent from last year, on revenues of $31.5 million, up from $28.4 million a year earlier. While the privately held company does not disclose full financial results, it did report record earnings for the year.

This is the second profitable year for CCA since its formation as a new company, two years ago. As an independent company, CCA continues to operate debt free. CCA was originally founded in 1965.

In addition to its record sales during 1990, the company introduced a number of new products and implemented an organizational restructuring, positioning CCA as a solution enabler.

-- In March 1990, CCA further strengthened its ability to provide competitive customer solutions via a management restructuring and the appointment of J. David Ehlke as executive vice president of the North American Division. Ehlke joined CCA after 11 years at Computer Task Group most recently as executive vice president.

-- In June 1990, CCA expanded its consulting group under the management of Robert C. Lyon. Lyon's experience includes more than 25 years in the industry, including, most recently, two years with Interactive Systems as vice president consulting services. He also spent more than eight years at DBMS Inc. as senior vice president Professional Services Group.

-- In September 1989, CCA introduced MarketPulse, a unique database marketing product designed specifically for high-volume direct response marketing organizations. Since the introduction, customers such as Random House, LMC and College Marketing Group have acquired the product.

-- In February 1990, CCA announced a marketing agreement with Interactive Images, Inc. (now Easel Corporation) to provide greater CUA-compliant graphical interface capabilities, easing user access to CCA's high-powered technology.

CCA, headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., develops advanced information management software focused on large retrieval- intensive applications that communicate between diverse hardware platforms. The employee-owned company provides complete product and applications development, systems installation, training, and consulting services. CCA has more than 750 customers and 1,500 systems installations worldwide.

CONTACT: Lisa D. Gibson of Computer Corporation of America, 617-492-8860; or Tim Hurley or Doug Black of Miller Communications for Computer Corporation of America, 617-536-0470.

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BURBANK, CA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Trefoil Capital Investors L.P. and CNC Holding Corporation today announced they have signed a definitive agreement under which Trefoil will acquire the 82 percent interest in Child World Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: CWLD) held by CNC Holding Corporation, in a non-cash transaction. On July 30, Trefoil and CNC Holding announced a preliminary agreement for the transaction.

Trefoil, the $450 million investment fund formed by the executives of Shamrock Holdings, also announced a merger agreement under which it will acquire the remaining publicly-held 18 percent, or 2,021,866 shares, of Child World for $14 per share, as disclosed earlier.

Child World, headquartered in Avon, Mass., is the nation's second largest retail toy chain, operating 175 toy supermarkets in 31 states. Sales for its year ended Feb. 3, 1990, were $830 million.

The agreement with CNC is expected to close on or about Nov. 19, with the Child World merger closing approximately 90 days later.

Both transactions received unanimous approval from Child World's Board of Directors. Child World has received the opinions of Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette and S. G. Warburg that the $14 per share to be paid to the public shareholders in the merger is fair from a financial point of view.

Consummation of the transactions is subject to a number of conditions, including Trefoil obtaining a replacement working capital facility for Child World, the accuracy of the representations and warranties in the acquisition agreements, regulatory approvals, absence of any material

adverse change in Child World's business and CNC Holding obtaining the consent of its existing bank group to the transaction.

Stanley P. Gold, president of the General Partner of Trefoil, said "We are pleased to have concluded this initial step and look forward to the successful closing of the entire transaction early next year, when Trefoil completes its acquisition of the remaining 18 percent of Child World common stock.

Trefoil Capital Investors L.P. was recently formed by the executives of Shamrock Holdings Inc. Shamrock, based in Burbank, Calif., owns and operates two of the nation's largest chains of music and video stores, the 71-store Music Plus chain in Southern California and the 140-store Sound Warehouse chain based in Dallas, Texas. It also owns, through Shamrock Broadcasting, 15 radio and three television stations. Shamrock also owns a 15 percent stake in Enterra Corp. (NYSE: EN) and has various real estate holdings.

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MONTGOMERY, ALA. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Blount Inc. (AMEX: BLT.A) today announced that it has initiated an open market stock repurchase plan for up to 300,000 shares of Blount Class A common stock over the next 12 months.

Blount is an international manufacturing and construction company headquartered in Montgomery.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - CRSS Capital, Inc., a majority owned subsidiary of CRSS Inc. (NYSE: CRX), and James River Corporation (NYSE: JR) jointly announced the formation of a partnership which will develop, own, and operate a cogeneration facility at James River's Naheola towel and tissue mill in Pennington, Ala.

The facility will include a new steam turbine generator as well as an expanded version of James River's previously announced $157 million chemical recovery unit and black liquor evaporation system. The partnership will also acquire, from James River, the existing steam and power generation assets at the Naheola mill.

The cogeneration facility will provide chemical recovery services and energy to the Naheola mill. Closing of construction and term financing is scheduled to occur by the end of 1990 with startup expected during 1993.

James River Corporation, headquartered in Richmond, Va., is an integrated manufacturer of pulp, paper, and converted paper and plastics products with sales of approximately $6 billion for its fiscal year ended April 29, 1990.

Houston-based, CRSS, through its subsidiaries, is one of the most diversified and largest design and construction services companies in the nation. CRSS Capital, Inc., an 85 percent owned subsidiary, currently maintains ownership in five operating power and cogeneration projects aggregating 434 MW and representing a capital investment in excess of $360 million. CRSS has also expanded through its interest in NaTec Resources, Inc. into the acid rain pollution control market.

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - David S. McMaster, president and chief executive officer of Gateway Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: GWAY) departs today for a week of discussions with key members of the company's fast-growing Soviet distributor, JV Dialogue.

Topics will range from increasing the distribution of Gateway network access products, to plans for strategic joint hardware and software development projects between Gateway and JV Dialogue.

According to McMaster, "The opportunities for technological growth in the Soviet market are great. Our Soviet business partner is very well established, with 25 offices throughout the U.S.S.R., and more than 700 highly skilled systems engineers who are currently researching and developing various software products.

"I feel the time is right to investigate opportunities to take our relationship with our Soviet business partner to another level," McMaster said. "A strategic alliance combining our expertise in networking and data communications technologies and JV Dialogue's vast systems programming resources could greatly benefit both Soviet and American markets. It should be a very enlightening trip."

Gateway Communications is a leading developer and manufacturer of networking and communications products for the IBM PC/compatibles market. Gateway products are distributed in more than 70 countries worldwide.

During 1989, international sales comprised 42 percent of the company's $25.6 million in revenues.

Headquartered in Moscow, JV Dialogue is a Soviet/American joint venture comprised of one U.S. company - Management Partnerships International, and six Soviet partners, including the Moscow State University, the Central Institute of Economic and Applied Mathematics and the Computer Center at the Academy of Sciences, among others.

In 1989 Gateway signed a reseller agreement with JV Dialogue to distribute the majority of Gateway's network access products throughout the U.S.S.R. The network access products distributed by JV Dialogue are approved by both COCOM (Coordinating Committee) and the United States Department of Commerce for export into the U.S.S.R. and other East Bloc nations.

COCOM is a multilateral organization that cooperates in restricting strategic exports to controlled countries. Its 16 members nations are: Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, The Federal Republic of Germany, Greece, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Turkey the United Kingdom, and the United States.

The U.S. Department of Commerce has granted G-DEST (General Destination) status to the Gateway network access products, allowing them to be imported into the U.S.S.R. and East Bloc with standard regulatory controls and general licensing. The combination of G-DEST and COCOM approvals give Gateway a significant market advantage through its relationship with JV Dialogue.

Formed in 1981, Gateway Communications Inc. is a major supplier of award-winning networking and communications products for the IBM PC and compatible market. Gateway products are sold through nine U.S. and two international sales offices and 107 distributors in more than 70 countries worldwide.

JV Dialogue was established in 1987. Through its 25 offices in the Soviet Union, and one office in Chicago, JV Dialogue has both exclusive and non-exclusive distribution agreements with a broad range of U.S.- and European-based computer companies.

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DEARBORN, MICH. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS) announced today that the Michigan Supreme Court continued certain restrictions on the use of its debt securities in the Midland Cogeneration

Venture (MCV) pending further review by the courts.

In its order, however, the court released CMS Energy from any restrictions on its equity interest in the MCV including approximately $87 million of cash which CMS Energy used today to reduce bank debt.

In addition, the court's action continues to allow CMS Energy to use the current earnings on the approximately $1.2 billion principal amount of notes held by CMS Energy.

In establishing procedures for its further review, the court ordered the Ingham County Circuit Court to hold hearings "promptly" to re- examine the question of the adequacy of the security pending final resolution of CMS appeals of the Michigan Public Service Commission's order to transfer its MCV interests to Consumers Power Company.

CMS Energy Corporation is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services. CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth- largest combination utility.

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CALHOUN, GA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael H. Bernstein, president and chief executive officer of Crown Crafts Inc. (AMEX: CRW), today announced that, due to current adverse stock market conditions caused primarily by the Persian Gulf crisis, the company has postponed its proposed public offering of 2,375,000 common shares.

Bernstein further commented: "The stock market generally has declined sharply since we announced this proposed offering on Aug. 14. We do not believe it is in the best interests of the company's shareholders for the company to pursue a sale of stock until financial markets stabilize and the price of Crown Crafts' stock improves."

Crown Crafts Inc., located in Calhoun, Ga., manufactures and distributes bed covering products and related fashion accessories.

CONTACT: Paul A. Criscillis Jr., vice president - chief financial officer of Crown Crafts, (404) 629-7941.

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NORTHBROOK, ILL. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - IMCERA Group Inc. (NYSE: IMA) announced today that its Mallinckrodt Medical unit of St. Louis has reached an agreement for the distribution of Optiray(R), the company's nonionic x-ray contrast agent, in Japan.

Under the 10-year exclusive agreement, Yamanouchi Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. one of Japan's largest pharmaceutical companies, will distribute Optiray in conventional glass bottles and in Mallinckrodt Medical's new Ultraject(R) prefilled syringes. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

C. R. Holman, president of Mallinckrodt Medical, said Yamanouchi was selected because of its excellent reputation and strong sales force which is experienced in marketing health care products. The market for x-ray contrast media in Japan is estimated at $400 million a year and is expected to grow significantly, he said.

"This agreement represents a major opportunity for the continued growth of Optiray, which has already achieved excellent sales results in the U.S.," Holman said. "Japan is the world's second largest health care market, and we are hopeful that this joint effort with Yamanouchi will lead to a mutually rewarding relationship."

Optiray (chemical name is ioversol) is the first nonionic x-ray contrast medium to be developed, patented and marketed by a U.S. company. Introduced in the U.S. in June 1989, it offers excellent imaging quality with greater patient tolerance and fewer adverse reactions that conventional agents used in a broad range of diagnostic x-ray procedures.

Holman said a new drug application to distribute Optiray in Japan has been filed by Mallinckrodt Japan, and approval is expected in late 1991 or early 1992.

Mallinckrodt Medical, which posted net sales and operating earnings of $400 million and $50 million, respectively, for the 1990 fiscal year ended June 30, is a major supplier of products for radiology, cardiology, nuclear medicine, anesthesiology and critical care. Its products are sold in more than 100 countries and are used by more than 7,000 health care facilities in the United States.

IMCERA, formerly International Minerals & Chemicals Corporation, has two other businesses -- Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals and Pitman- Moore. IMCERA also owns approximately 38 percent of the common stock of IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc.

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708-205-2189, both of IMCERA

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#90239p8880 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
NORTH ANDOVER, MA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Software Services of America, Inc. (NASDAQ: SSOA) today reported that a major Mid-Atlantic financial institution has entered into an agreement with SSOA for approximately $1.9 million for hardware and software to be installed at approximately 120 branches of their 300 plus branch network.

This agreement is part of a multi phase plan for the bank to automate their entire 300 plus branch network using one system. The bank, IBM and SSOA are currently discussing plans to implement SSOA's newest branch automation software offering that has been developed using IBM's new personal computer Consumer Transaction "CT" system.

The new CT branch automation system uses the latest in IBM's PC software technology targeted for financial institutions and represents IBM's future strategic direction for delivering emerging technologies to the finance industry in the years ahead.

Software Services of America, Inc. is a developer of electronic banking software, supporting branch automation and retail funds transfer systems, utilizing mainframe computers, financial terminal systems and personal computers.

CONTACT: Michelle M. Baddour of Software Services of America, Inc., (508) 681-0802.

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#90239p8881 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Carlisle Companies Incorporated (NYSE: CSL) today announced that it has purchased the business of Brookpark Plastics, Inc. of Lake City, Pa., a producer of plastics products primarily for the food service and automotive industries. Financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Brookpark had 1989 sales of $10.5 million. Carlisle had 1989 sales of $553.7 million in automotive/industrial rubber, plastics and friction materials; data communications products; construction and roofing materials.

Brookpark will operate as a unit of Continental Carlisle, an Oklahoma City-based Carlisle subsidiary that also produces plastics products primarily for the food service market.

CONTACT: John Altmeyer, director of mergers & acquisitions o

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RIVERTON, WY (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Crested Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: CBAG) announced financial results for its fiscal year ended May 31.

Crested Corp. reported that its net income for the fiscal year ended May 31 was $233,600 or $.03 per share on revenues of $2,533,500. Included in these revenues is $913,500, which is the fiscal 1990 portion of the sale of its interest in the Green Mountain Uranium Project located in south-central Wyoming to Kennecott Uranium Co. of Salt Lake City. For the previous year, Crested Corp. had a net income of $524,700 or $.06 per share earnings based on revenues of $2,788,000.

Crested Corp. and its parent U.S. Energy Corp. are participants in two ventures. One is with Kennecott Uranium Co. to develop and produce the Green Mountain Uranium Project and the other is in a partnership with Cycle Resource Investment Corp. of Stamford, Conn., on marketing and/or production of uranium from their Sheep Mountain uranium properties contiguous to the Green Mountain Project.

Crested Corp. and U.S. Energy Corp. are diversified mineral companies with interests in uranium, molybdenum, gold and other base and precious metals properties.

CONTACT: John L. Larsen or Max T. Evans, (307) 856-9271, both of Crested Corp.

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MAYNARD, MA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Equipment of Canada Limited has been named prime contractor for systems integration and facilities management of the Treasury Board of Canada's corporate office information network.

Under terms of a two-year contract worth $CA3.5 ($US3) million, Digital will design, implement, and manage the multivendor network, which will integrate all systems and some 800 users throughout the Treasury Board's 10 branches in Ottawa.

As the corporate manager of the federal government, the Treasury Board is responsible for financial management, personnel management, and central administration of the Public Service of Canada. It sets policy in these areas, and examines and approves the proposed spending plans of government departments.

To maintain its high level of service while reducing operating expenditures, the Treasury Board defined a three-tiered strategy to support the common and unique functions of corporate, work-group, and end-user computing within a single networked system.

The goal is to increase staff productivity by providing corporate- and branch-level users with fast, flexible access to information on multiple vendors' systems, and to gain an efficient, single systems-management environment.

Digital was chosen after a competitive bidding process that included EDP vendors and systems integrators in the United States and Canada.

"With its networked office information system from Digital, the Treasury Board will integrate users and systems while preserving branch and end-user autonomy," says Graeme Woodley, Digital Canada vice president of sales. "The Treasury Board has chosen a corporate information system that allows centralized management and distribution of information, applications, and resources."

To manage corporate, work-group, and end-user computing within a single network, the Treasury Board selected NAS (Network Application Support), Digital's set of software products for using and developing integrated applications running on different vendors' systems.

The network's corporate systems consist of enterprise-wide networking, systems-management, and applications integration.

Digital will provide a state-of-the-art DECnet fiber-optic network throughout the Treasury Board facilities. The high- performance, large-capacity network is compatible with FDDI (fiber distributed data interface) standards.

Also involved are Digital's NAS-based MAILbus products which allow exchange of information residing on diverse vendors' office systems (at the Treasury Board this includes Wang VS and PROFS on IBM). Users at all levels will access applications through ALL-IN-1, Digital's integrated office system.

Digital Equipment Corporation, (NYSE: DEC) headquartered in Maynard, Mass. is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

CONTACT: Susan Saccoccia of Digital Equipment Corporation,
508-264-6531

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HERNDON, VA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Newbridge Networks announced that the company has completed the installation of an international network for Towers Perrin, an international consulting firm headquartered in New York City. The network provides connectivity among remote branches worldwide and from them to the firm's corporate data center in Philadelphia.

A fractional T1 data network links more than 30 Towers Perrin offices throughout the United States while a three-node high-speed voice and data network links the consulting firm's offices throughout the United Kingdom. Future plans include converting direct links from their central U.S. data center to Toronto, Canada, Sydney, Australia and the United Kingdom on to Newbridge equipment.

"When we selected Newbridge, we felt they were ahead of their competitors in the steps they had already taken, as well as in the future direction they were heading in, providing an integrated network management platform " said Deborah Donovan, manager, Data Communications at Towers Perrin. "We found their hardware architecture to be especially well-suited to the fractional T1 data applications we intended to use."

"Our strict adherence to both domestic and international standards and our commitment to provide integrated networking solutions allowed Newbridge products to increase Towers Perrin's global communications capabilities," said Newbridge President Peter Madsen.

The Towers Perrin network currently consists of MainStreet T-1 multiplexers and the 4602 and 4601A MainStreet Network Managers. Plans for expansion of the network include installation of 3612S MainStreet multiplexers in the approximately 20 offices throughout the United States that are now running off AT&T's 9.6Kbps Digital Data Service tail circuits.

Towers Perrin is a leading international management consultant firm with over 60 offices worldwide. They provide a wide range of services from strategic planning to benefit and compensation design, to risk management counsel. Towers Perrin serves more than 8,000 clients in 130 countries around the world.

Newbridge Networks is an international company which specializes in the design, manufacture and marketing of voice and data communications equipment for global networks. Offices and manufacturing facilities are located in the United States, Canada and Europe.

Newbridge Networks Corporation is a public company whose common shares are listed for trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange (NNC) in Canada and

quoted for trading on the NASDAQ National Market System (NNCXF) in the United States. MainStreet is a trademark.

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RIVERTON, WY (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Energy Corp. (NASDAQ: USEG) announced financial results for its fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

U.S. Energy reported that its net income for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990 was $3,743,200 or $1.11 per share on revenues of $6,537,900. Included in these revenues is $4.8 million, which is the fiscal 1990 portion of the sale of its interest in the Green Mountain Uranium Project located in south-central Wyoming to Kennecott Uranium Co. of Salt Lake City. For the previous year, U.S. Energy had net income of $512,800 or 16 cents per share earnings based on revenues of $2,641,600.

U.S. Energy and its 44 percent owned subsidiary Crested Corp. (NASDAQ: CBAG) are participants in two ventures. One is with Kennecott Uranium to develop and produce the Green Mountain Uranium Project and the other is in a partnership with Cycle Resource Investment Corp. of Stamford, Conn. on marketing and/or production of uranium from their Sheep Mountain uranium properties contiguous to Green Mountain.

U.S. Energy and Crested are diversified mineral companies with interests in uranium, molybdenum, gold and other base and precious metals properties.

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FORT WORTH, TX (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Tandycrafts, Inc. (NYSE: TAC) reported today that consolidated sales were up 4.3 percent, net income was up 18.2 percent and earnings per share were up 21.4 percent, on less shares outstanding for the year.

TANDYCRAFTS, INC.

Three Months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Net income per average common share	$.36	$ .34
Net sales	$25,436,000	$27,004,000
Income before income taxes	$ 1,408,000	$ 1,581,000
Provision for income taxes	(469,000)	(645,000)
Net income	$ 939,000	$ 936,000
Average shares outstanding	2,638,000	2,771,000

Fiscal Year ended June 30:	1990	1989
Net income per average common share	$1.53	$1.26
Net sales	$113,488,000	$108,802,000
Income before income taxes	$ 6,248,000	$ 5,738,000
Provision for income taxes	(2,095,000)	(2,223,000)
Net income	$ 4,153,000	$ 3,515,000
Average shares outstanding	2,716,000	2,788,000

"The fourth quarter, ending June 30, 1990, marked the eighth consecutive quarter of improved operating performance, continuing the momentum built in the previous seven quarters," said Kenneth L. Gregson, chairman.

CONTACT: Michael J. Walsh, vice president and secretary of Tandycrafts, 817-551-9603

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LOUISVILLE, KY. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Brown-Forman Beverage Company announces that Casa Vinicola Barone Ricasoli, S.p.A., has selected the company as its exclusive U.S. sales and marketing agent for the world-renowned Brolio Wines, effective immediately.

Brolio, Italy's premier producer of Chianti and the oldest winery in the world under continuous family control, recently reached an agreement with Brown-Forman Beverage Company to import and market Brolio wines, which include Chianti Classico, Chianti Classico Riserva, a special Barone Riserva, Brolio Bianco and Vin Santo.

According to Barone Bettino Ricasoli, Brown-Forman was chosen because of its reputation for marketing premium wine brands in the United States. Brown-Forman currently markets Korbel California Champagne, Bolla and Fontana Candida Italian wines, Parducci Premium California Wines and Noilly Prat Vermouth.

"We are impressed with the commitment Brown-Forman has displayed toward its wine brands and its reputation as a successful marketing company," Barone Ricasoli said.

Brown-Forman Beverage Company President and Chief Operating Officer William M. Street said that the addition of Brolio is an "excellent fit" with the profiles of the marketing company's other wine brands.

Brolio is the estate and ancestral home of the Ricasoli family where they have produced Chianti and other wines of Tuscany for more than 800 years. It was in 1874 that Barone Ricasoli's great-grandfather Barone Bettino Ricasoli -- or the "Iron Baron" as he was nicknamed -- created the official grape blend for Chianti that is still used today.

All Brolio Chiantis carry the highest government guarantee of quality, Denominazione di Origine Controllata e Garantita (DOCG). 1985 Brolio Riserva and 1987 Brolio Chianti Classico recent were awarded gold medals at Italy's premier trade wine tasting held at Pramaggiore.

Casa Vinicola Barone Ricasoli is located in Gaiole in Chianti, near Siena, Italy.

The Brown-Forman Beverage Company is a division of Brown-Forman Corporation (AMEX: BF.A BF.B), Louisville, Kentucky. It markets more than 20 brands of wines and spirits, including Jack Daniel's Tennessee Whiskey, Canadian Mist Whiskey, Southern Comfort and Korbel California Champagne.

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MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - MEI Diversified Inc. (NYSE: MEI) announced the signing of definitive agreements to acquire the stock of three companies engaged in the operation of professional beauty salons and related businesses principally in leased space in major department stores throughout the United States and Canada. Consummation of the acquisition is scheduled to take place on or before Aug. 31, 1990.

MEI will own 80 percent of the outstanding stock of the acquiring entity which will include The Glemby Company, Inc. and Subsidiaries, headquartered in New York; Essanelle Salon Co. and Maxim's, both located in Minneapolis. The remaining 20 percent of the acquiring company will be owned by Regis Corporation and affiliates, Minneapolis, the current owners of both Essanelle and Maxim's. Regis Corporation is a privately owned company, which owns and operates hairstyling and haircare salons throughout the United States and Canada, predominantly in shopping malls and department stores.

Donald E. Benson, MEI Diversified Inc. president stated that the three combined companies will have sales of approximately $400 million annually and will operate over 2,000 salons in the United States and Canada. The total purchase price of the companied companies will approximate $50 million cash plus the assumption of certain liabilities of the acquired entities.

Benson also said "We look forward to our entry into the professional beauty salon and haircare business coupled with our entry into the medical products industry beginning with the direct ownership of New Dimensions in Medicine."

It was recently announced that ownership of New Dimensions in Medicine, a former unit of Baxter Healthcare Corporation, had been transferred to MEI.

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LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - W. R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA) today announced that a subsidiary has purchased an additional 22.5 percent interest in Neue Transvac Maschinen AG, based in Kriens, Switzerland, bringing the company's total ownership to 47.5 percent.

According to Jacques Theumann, president of Grace's European Darex Division, Grace's future plans include acquiring majority ownership in Neue Transvac by 1999. Neue Transvac will continue to be headed by Klaus Schoenenberger, president of the firm.

Theumann added that the increased ownership "will strengthen the companies' technical cooperation in the field of vacuum packaging machinery." Grace has been cooperating with Neue Transvac since the early 1970s.

Grace's Cryovac packaging division is a worldwide supplier of shrink film packaging used to wrap fresh red meats, cheese and fish as well as non-food consumer items. Neue Transvac specializes in designing and building machinery for vacuum packaging and powder packaging.

Grace is an international specialty chemicals company with interests in energy, manufacturing and service businesses with sales exceeding $6 billion.

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#90239p8901 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - John B. McCoy, chairman and chief executive officer of Banc One Corporation (NYSE: ONE), which is headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, has received The Wall Street Transcript's gold award for "Best Regional Bank" in the central region of the United States for the fourth year in a row.

In making the announcement in its Aug. 20, 1990 issue, The Wall Street Transcript said, "McCoy, of Banc One Corporation, takes top honors for another year, as the chief excecutive officer has built the institution into one of the largest and most profitable in its region. Via acquisition and internal development, management has secured the company's hold on

traditional territories and extended its reach into new markets. The recent acquisition of MCorp (now Bank One, Texas, NA) was not only structured advantageously, but capitalizes on the momentum of a regional economy set to stage a strong recovery."

The Wall Street Transcript added, "Banc One's powerful retail franchise and its expertise in processing services provide a distinct competitive edge, fueling growth and earnings. McCoy's aggressive, yet judicious, strategic initiative has distinguished Banc One as a formidible and adept organization, with outstanding future potential."

John B. McCoy, 47, was born in Columbus, Ohio and holds a bachelor of arts degree from Williams College and an MBA degree from Stanford University Graduate School of Business. McCoy has been chairman and chief executive officer of Banc One Corporation since January 1987 and joined Bank One, Columbus, in 1970.

CONTACT: John Russell, 614-248-5989; or Johanna White, 614-248-5481, both of Banc One Corporation

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Brolio is the estate and ancestral home of the Ricasoli family where they have produced Chianti and other wines of Tuscany for more than 800 years. It was in 1874 that Barone Ricasoli's great-grandfather Barone Bettino Ricasoli -- or the "Iron Baron" as he was nicknamed -- created the official grape blend for Chianti that is still used today.

All Brolio Chiantis carry the highest government guarantee of quality, Denominazione di Origine Controllata e Garantita (DOCG). 1985 Brolio Riserva and 1987 Brolio Chianti Classico recent were awarded gold medals at Italy's premier trade wine tasting held at Pramaggiore.

The Brown-Forman Beverage Company is a division of Brown-Forman Corporation (AMEX: BF.A BF.B), Louisville, Kentucky. It markets more than 20 brands of wines and spirits, including Jack Daniel's Tennessee Whiskey, Canadian Mist Whiskey, Southern Comfort and Korbel California Champagne.

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BOSTON (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boston Globe will expand its Sunday Business and real estate pages, beginning Sept. 9, by adding two new pages and doubling its space for covering real estate.

A new page called "Sunday Money" will contain investment news, including a mutual fund column and mutual fund notes. The regular Sunday column on investments by longtime Globe writer Beatson Wallace also will be part of the new page.

"Sunday Money" will feature financial columnist Thomas Watterson, who began the Globe's "50 Plus" column of financial advice for older readers last November. Watterson, who now joins the Globe full-time, was a financial reporter and business editor for the Christian Science Monitor for 16 years.

The second new page, "Inside Business," will contain news of local companies, features on business travel, reviews of business books, and briefs on the top stories of the week.

The Real Estate section will double in size for news coverage, to a total of five pages for the section. Its new features will include consumer news a sampling of real estate transactions in cities and towns in Massachusetts, features on interesting properties for sale, real estate book reviews, and profiles of people in real estate. The expanded section is focusing on providing practical, useful information on buying, selling and financing property.

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TAMPA, FL (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Assix International, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ASIX) today announced that its board of directors has approved a significant restructuring of the company.

Under the plan, which is subject to shareholder approval, Assix International, Inc. will be restructured into a Delaware corporation, Assix Incorporated. Assix Incorporated will function as a publicly traded holding company with three strategic business units: Assix Automotive, N.A., Inc., Bestec Incorporated, and Assix Automotive-Europe GmbH.

R. Park Newton III, president and chief executive officer of Assix International, will be president and CEO of Assix Incorporated. Ronald Shamlaty has been named president of Assix Automotive, N.A., Inc., and will also serve as executive vice president and chief operating officer of Assix Incorporated. Charles A. Ross has been appointed president of Bestec Inc., and George Crook will become president of Assix Automotive-Europe GmbH.

Commenting on the restructuring, Newton said, "Because of the different growth opportunities and business directions of these companies, we determined that a new, more flexible corporate structure was necessary to facilitate future growth.

In addition to our current products, we expect additional growth from the formation of two new operating units, Assix Automotive-Europe GmbH and Bestec Incorporated, through the acquisition of new products and businesses and strategic joint ventures with qualified third parties."

Assix Automotive-Europe GmbH

Assix Automotive-Europe GmbH is the outgrowth of six months of research in Europe. Discussions with the top European tire manufacturers and retail tire outlets have generated significant interest in Assix's proprietary AccuBalance(TM) quality assurance tire/wheel service and Tire Matching(R) technology.

Assix anticipates initial trials and implementation of the new AccuBalance program in Europe during the first calender quarter of 1991. Bestec, which will support Assix Automotive-Europe GmbH through its management systems, is also expected to benefit from the company's international growth.

Bestec Incorporated

Recognizing the need to increase productivity in the 1990s through quality improvements in sales and marketing, and through developing and enhancing employee skills, Assix formed Bestec Incorporated.

Primarily, Bestec will focus on quality implementation of products and services, profitability tracking, and individual sales and sales management coaching for national chains in low- to mid-technology fields specializing in retail chain operations.

Through Assix, Bestec is well-positioned with five offices nationally, a team of 40 sales trainers and an existing client base of more than 35,000 Assix-trained sales and service individuals.

Bestec expects to expand Assix's existing management systems, which measure and improve market productivity. Further growth will come from acquiring other products and companies in the fragmented billion-dollar training industry, and through strategic joint ventures.

Assix Automotive North America, Inc.
Assix's significant growth during the past year will continue with the formation of Assix Automotive N.A., Inc., which will utilize the AccuBalance program to develop additional auto service aftermarket opportunities in North America.

Assix's business was built on its exclusive wheel balancing technology, Tire Matching, which has been used successfully in 850 Sears stores as well as Western Auto, Winston Tire and other retail outlets.

A newly quality control process, AccuBalance, consists of a five-step quality-assured tire and wheel service and includes Assix's patented Tire Matching technology. Assix will launch AccuBalance in all existing locations.

AccuBalance enables the tire reseller to complete the quality assurance process begun at the tire manufacturing facility. For consumers, the AccuBalance process provides total ride value by making an old rim and new, high-quality replacement tire perform as a complete new wheel assembly, thus achieving the original manufactures' wheel balance specifications for quality ride performance. For retailers, AccuBalance offers enhanced sales profits and customer satisfaction. Assix is testing AccuBalance with several major tire retailers.

Since going public in July 1988, Assix's sales and earnings have nearly quadrupled. The number of licensed dealer outlets has increased from 400 to more than 1,400 while, the number of employees has risen from 15 to 160.

The development and implementation of sophisticated sales and marketing techniques, including DART (Disciplined Action Response Trac) and CARDS (Consistent Achievement Reporting Discipline System) have enabled the company to successfully provide services to more than 35,000 retail sales and service personnel at Sears, Western Auto, Winston Tire and other

high-volume tire retailers.

CONTACT: S. Lee Puckett, VP of Assix International, (813) 224-0228, of Cindy Knoebel, (212) 661-8030, or Linda Eitel, (312) 266-7800, both of the Financial Relations Board, for Assix International.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (NYSE: BMY) today announced that Jose M. de Lasa has been appointed a vice president. On Sept. 1, 1990, de Lasa will assume responsibility for the legal affairs of the Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical and Nutritional Group. He will continue to serve as an associate general counsel.

De Lasa joined Bristol-Myers Squibb Company in 1976 as an area counsel for its former international division and became counsel to the international division in 1981. He was named assistant general counsel of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company in 1984 and associate general counsel in April of this year.

De Lasa received a B.A. degree from Yale University in 1968 and a J.D. degree from Yale Law School in 1971. Before joining Bristol-Myers Squibb de Lasa was associated with the New York City law firm of Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton.

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ROCKLAND, MAINE (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientists at FMC Corp.'s (NYSE: FMC) Marine Colloids research and development laboratories here helped perfect the popular time-release air freshener gels used in millions of households across the nation.

Now they predict that the same gel delivery system will be adopted for a wide variety of attractants, repellents and even pesticides.

Experiments with sex attractants for insect control, repellents for insects and animals, and even pesticides to exterminate insects or rodents have shown the practicality of this delivery system. The technology that makes controlled release gels work is a matrix made of hydrocolloid polymers extracted from natural seaplants or land crops. These hydrocolloids -- Gelloid(R) -- encapsulate the desired active ingredient. As the water evaporates from the gel, it carries with it the volatile material entrapped in the gel system and gradually releases it into the air.

Marine Colloids scientist Dimitri Stancioff said a critical element in creating the release gel involves the right balance of stability and dehydration. The gel must retain its shape but gradually shrink as the active ingredient is uniformly released. Visual inspection will let the user know when the gel's effectiveness has been diminished and replacement is needed. Also possible, Stancioff added, is entrapping chemicals into small time-release gel beads that can be scattered on lawns and gardens to repel insects.

Applications laboratory supervisor Charles Bullens stated that several of these new time-release gel applications are well beyond the laboratory stage and into field evaluation. He said further that FMC's labs have worked closely with producers of release gels to recommend the proper gel formulation and processing conditions to make the consumer product perform most effectively.

FMC's Marine Colloids Division has been a leader in hydrocolloids research development, production and distribution for more than 50 years. With headquarters in Philadelphia, the division has production facilities in Maine, Denmark and Ireland, plus an extensive raw materials cultivation and processing network. Additional information may be obtained by contacting: FMC Corp., Marine Colloids Applications Development, 2000 Market St., Philadelphia, 19103.

CONTACT: Olga N. Drebotij of FMC, 215-299-6242

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SAGINAW, MI (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Advantage Foods, marketers of "Newman's Own" salad dressing and other products, will place Polar's DurAlt(R) Fuel Conditioner in retail outlets across the United States in a contract announced today.

The program includes new point of purchase displays featuring the Newman-Sharp SCCA Trans Am Oldsmobile racing team and drivers Paul Newman and Scott Sharp with DurAlt Fuel Conditioner, pursuant to a previously signed agreement with Newman-Sharp Racing.

Under the terms of the agreement, Advantage Foods will sell a minimum of $3 million in the first year and a minimum of $194 million during the 10-year term of the agreement.

CONTACT: Mark L. Nelson of the Polar Molecular Corporation, 517-790-4764.

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#90239p8916 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific NRG Inc. (SNRG) announced today that orders in the first 53 days of the new fiscal year approached sales for the entire fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. Through Aug. 22, SNRG shipped approximately $216,000 of merchandise with a backlog of $285,000 totaling $501,000. This compares with sales of $513,580 for the entire fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Malcolm Fickel attributed the quick start to the restructuring of the company's activities in the fourth quarter of the last fiscal year. Fickel was appointed to the chief executive officer spot on March 28 on the resignation of the prior president. The company's distribution channels were significantly revamped, pricing policies were reviewed and new auditors and legal counsel were appointed. The board of directors elected to take write-downs on several items, resulting in a loss for the fiscal year of approximately $300,000, or $.05 per share, compared with a loss of $.01 per share in the previous fiscal year.

In spite of the loss, Fickel feels that the company is extremely well positioned and poised for a record year. "There could not be a better time to be a debt-free company with its feet on the ground in the energy efficient lighting business," said the chairman. He cited recent studies by the Izaak Walton League and Greenpeace that stressed the need for a conversion to the type of lighting that the company manufactures. "Energy conservation has moved to the forefront of the news," added Fickel. "The company's lighting products reduce energy consumption up to 80 percent, which not only eases the demand on power plants, it also results in a corresponding financial savings in a user's energy bills."

The board of directors has also elected to rescind the proposed sale of new shares to three directors. The board had decided to sell the shares in order to bolster the asset and equity portions of the balance sheet to retain the company's listing on NASDAQ. Accounting treatment of other items in the fourth quarter resulted in the loss of the listing regardless of the stock purchase. The significant sales in July and August also eliminated the need for the working capital provided by the stock sale. The recission did not result in any funds changing hands because the transaction had not been completed at the time of the board action reversing the purchase.

The company expects its strong performance in the new fiscal year to continue because of interest expressed in the product both nationally and aboard as well as recent product enhancement and development efforts.

CONTACT: Kathleen Ellington of Scientific NRG, 714-630-3453.

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MONTREAL (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - William D. Gattis, president of Techbyte International Inc., today announced that Mark Gaynor has been named to head the company's research and development operations in Longueuil, Quebec.

For the past seven years, Gaynor has been president and CEO of Educational Assistance Systems, Inc., (EAS) of Chattanooga, Tenn., a U.S.-based firm that has developed, marketed, and installed the C.L.A.S.S. Administrative Software System, a product consisting of 28 software applications packages in over 600 schools and school districts throughout the United States. EAS, while under the guidance of Gaynor, was also successful in providing unique consulting and systems integration services to school districts in order to assist them in planning, installing, and managing computer hardware and software systems. A recent example of this involved the West Palm Beach County School District in Florida, where EAS and Gaynor proposed, designed, and installed a successful $1.3 million enhancement to improve the performance of an existing $30 million computer installation.

Gaynor was also instrumental in negotiating joint marketing agreements between EAS and companies such as Scan Tron Corporation, Tandy Corporation The Institute of Effective Learning, and Stargate Technologies. Patricia Davis, EAS vice president, will assume Gaynor's responsibilities at EAS.

At Techbyte, Gaynor will be primarily responsible for the company's development program for the Software Portability Environment and related software support systems, designed to allow software developers to develop multiple applications software versions simultaneously that are compatible with a variety of microcomputer hardware and operating systems. The

process is being designed primarily for the education market.

Techbyte International Inc., a federally incorporated company, was established in 1984 and has its head office in Longueuil, Quebec. In November 1989, Techbyte International (USA) Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Techbyte International of Quebec, was established in the United States, and is based in Arlington, Texas. Onyx Informatique Inc. of Montreal, a wholly owned subsidiary of Techbyte International, produces computer-based training materials for business and commercial customers.

CONTACT: William Gattis, president, 817-261-8487; or Ron Moore, vice president and general manager, 514-670-9452, both of Techbyte International.

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JACKSON, MICH. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company is alerting customers who serve in the Michigan National Guard that they may be eligible for special credit arrangements when it comes to paying their electric or natural gas bills.

Across the state, 16,000 people are involved in the Michigan Army and Air National Guard. If these reservists are called to active duty in the Persian Gulf, their family financial situations might be impacted.

"We encourage these customers who anticipate bill-payment problems to contact us as soon as possible. Each case will be handled according to individual need," said Carl English, vice president of natural gas distribution and customer services for Consumers Power. English said that the utility's customer services representatives can work out bill-payment extensions and recommend other avenues of credit for affected customers.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Anadarko Petroleum Corporation (NYSE: APC) today announced construction start-up on the Hugoton Gathering System (HUGS), located in the heart of Anadarko's gas production leases in the Hugoton Field of Kansas.

When completed, the 88-mile HUGS pipeline will gather gas from 138 wells producing from the Hugoton, Panoma/Council Grove and Morrow zones. The $25 million system will deliver up to 100 million cubic feet per day of natural gas to one intrastate and two interstate pipeline systems. These interconnections with multiple pipelines serving divergent market areas will allow the company greater flexibility in marketing gas from the Hugoton field.

Approximately 77 miles of four to 18 inch pipe will gather gas from the low-pressure Hugoton wells and transport it to a 16,000 horsepower compressor station to be located 10 miles west of Hugoton, Kan. Eleven miles of 10-20 inch steel pipe will provide the interconnection between the compressor station and the pipeline transmission systems. Anadarko expects the HUGS pipeline to be operational by Dec. 1, 1990.

According to Robert J. Allison Jr., Anadarko chairman and CEO, "Since 1986 Anadarko has been working to get control of our gas reserves and become more active in gas markets. As a result, gas production has increased 83 percent since 1986. Construction of the HUGS pipeline, as well as the purchase of a similar system in the West Panhandle Field in Texas, gives Anadarko the flexibility to significantly increase our gas production this winter when prices will be higher."

CONTACT: Paul Taylor of Anadarko Petroleum, 713-875-1101

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RESTON, VA. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - GEC-Marconi Software Systems' U.S. office announces the launch of the world's first proven cable-free computer connection.

Having achieved great success in Europe since their launch in 1989, the Verran AC DataLink and DPS are now available in the United States and Canada. A licenser of innovative technology, GEC-Marconi Software Systems in the exclusive distributor of these products.

About the size of a portable CD player, this sleek device lets a PC communicate with a printer, plotter, modem, or other peripheral. It also lets a minicomputer communicate with a terminal. DataLinks work in pairs one attached to the sending device and the other to the receiving device. Once each DataLink is plugged into a standard electrical outlet, data is transmitted without interference through the building's AC circuit.

The AC DataLink DPS (Dedicated Printer Sharer), a DataLink accessory, acts as a print spooler when connected to a printer, handling multiple print jobs from as many as seven computers.

The versatile DataLink boasts many innovative features. It connects peripherals with either serial or parallel ports and works in virtually any computer environment, independent of the operating system. In addition, the DataLink is entirely self-contained; its sophisticated software is housed on built-in microchips. Additional software is not required. To provide security, data can be encrypted prior to transmission, then deciphered at the receiving end.

DataLinks are a flexible, economical solution to the problems caused by inevitable "spaghetti" cabling which results when organizations frequently need to move computer equipment. DataLinks can also provide peripheral sharing capabilities without the expense and administration of a full-blown local area network.

As evidence of their proven success, the DataLink and DPS received outstanding reviews when released in the United Kingdom last year, capturing the London Sunday Times/Honeywell British Innovation Award in the computing and telecommunications category.

For information on how to obtain the Verran AC DataLink or DPS, contact GEC-Marconi at 703-648-1551.

GEC-Marconi, with North American headquarters in Reston, Va., is a subsidiary of General Electric of Great Britain, owner of a group of companies which includes Marconi Defense and GEC Avionics. From its Reston headquarters, GEC-Marconi markets a variety of their own software engineering tools addressing not only the CASE marketplace, but other commercial applications as well. GEC-Marconi's U.S. office is also a third party distributor of several other computer-based products to customers throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Susan Boers, general manager, GEC-Marconi, 703-648-1551; or Jenny Young, account executive, KSK Communications, 703-734-1880 or, after hours, 703-751-0663, for GEC-Marconi

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#90239p8928 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Grace Specialty Chemicals Co., the world's largest specialty chemicals company and the more than $3 billion operating unit of W. R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA), today announced that it plans to reduce its emissions by 50 percent over the next five years as part of its ongoing commitment to waste minimization. This was termed an ambitious goal by company officials in that it follows the disclosure that Grace Specialty Chemicals reduced its reportable emissions in 1988 over 1987, the latest figures available, by nearly the same amount -- 47 percent.

According to Donald H. Kohnken, president of Grace Specialty Chemicals, "We are committed to reducing emissions wherever possible because it makes good sense both for the company and for the communities in which we operate. We have an on-going program to substitute materials in the manufacturing process that reduce the generation of hazardous waste, as well as modifying certain processes." Other actions Kohnken cited include treating waste to make it less harmful, reusing material where possible and, perhaps most important, reviewing new products in their development stage in order to reduce waste before production begins.

Grace Specialty Chemicals has doubled the number of people working on environmental initiatives over the last five years and plans to spend more than $80 million toward these efforts this year.

Grace Specialty Chemicals Co. had sales last year of $3.3 billion. W. R. Grace & Co. is an international specialty chemicals company with interests in energy, manufacturing and service businesses with sales exceeding $6 billion.

CONTACT: Chris Tofalli of Grace Specialty Chemicals, 212-819-6000.

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#90239p8929 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PAMPA, TX (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Service Fracturing Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: SERF) has sold 1,454,545 shares of its common stock in a private placement at a price of 6-7/8 per share.

Five unidentified purchasers paid a gross price of $10 million for the shares. After commissions and costs, the net proceeds to the company amounted to approximately $9.5 million. Placement agent for the transaction was Johnson, Rice & Company of New Orleans.

Jerry H. Guinn, Serfco president, said that the company anticipates it will use about $2.2 million of the proceeds to stimulate about 100 company-owned wells. Another approximately $2.5 million will be used to drill five horizontal wells on property Serfco acquired in April 1989. The company drilled a horizontal drain hole well in May and June this year using a new concept for completion in low pressure reservoirs. The technique is being marketed as LPRACT -- Low Pressure Reservoir Alternative Completion Technology.

Another $4.8 million received from the private placement will be used to refurbish 7,000 horsepower of pumping capacity, purchase five computer controlled blenders, open a new operating district, purchase 30 new truck tractors, and to buy auxiliary equipment.

Guinn said that pending use of the new proceeds, the money will be invested in short-term U.S. government interest-bearing securities.

Service Fracturing Co. (Serfco), headquartered in Pampa, Texas, is engaged primarily in the oil field service business, providing acidizing, hydraulic fracturing, pumping and chemical cleanup treatments for both newly drilled and existing oil and gas wells in the mid-continent area of the United States.

CONTACT: Jerry H. Guinn, president of Service Fracturing, 806-665-7221.

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#90239p8930 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Citicorp said today that it is redeeming on Sept. 24, 1990 its 11 percent subordinated notes due Aug. 1, 1995. The redemption price of the notes is 100 percent of the principal amount of the notes, together with accrued interest to Sept. 24, 1990. Notice to the holders was mailed Aug. 24, 1990. The original issue of $150,000,000 is outstanding.

CONTACT: John Maloney of Citicorp, 212-559-4285.

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#90239p8933 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, CA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Ross Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ROST) today reported that net earnings were $5.0 million, or 21 cents per share, for the 13 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990, as compared to net earnings of $7.1 million, or 30 cents per share, for the prior year's comparable quarter.

Current year second quarter sales were $193 million, up ten percent from sales of $176 million for the 13 weeks ended July 29, 1989. Comparable store sales for the quarter were even with the prior year on a day-for-day basis.

For the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990, net earnings were $6.6 million, or 28 cents per share, as compared to net earnings of $10.5 million, or 43 cents per share, for the like period in 1989.

Sales during the first six months of 1990 increased ten percent to $364 million, from the $331 million in sales for the 26 weeks ended July 29, 1989. Comparable store sales for the six months were down three percent on a day-for-day basis from last year.

In commenting on these results, Norman A. Ferber, president and chief executive officer, stated, "We are disappointed in our performance to date this year; however, our second quarter results do show a gradual

improvement over the first quarter.

"To strengthen our business, we are implementing short-term strategies that include a more effective marketing program, an intensified focus on our core businesses in Misses' and Men's, and the roll-out to all stores of our year-round Gift Express department."

Ferber continued, "I would also like to report that we are on schedule with our store opening program for 1990. We opened eight new Ross 'Dress For Less' stores during July, ending the second quarter with 169 stores in 16 states coast-to-coast." The stores were opened in California, Washington, New Mexico, Florida, Maryland, and New Jersey.

Ross stores Inc. operates a national chain of off-price retail stores offering first quality, in-season, branded apparel and apparel-related merchandise for the entire family. The company had 169 stores in operation at Aug. 4, 1990, compared to 146 stores at the end of the like period last year.

CONTACT: Earl T. Benson of Ross Stores Inc., (415) 790-4400.

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#90239p8935 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Ethiopian Airlines became the first carrier outside the United States to operate the Boeing 757 Freighter when it took delivery of its new twinjet at Boeing Field on Friday, Aug. 24.

Ethiopian Airlines' 757 Freighter can carry 39 tons (36 metric tons) of cargo. It is equipped with a large cargo door on the forward fuselage and accommodates up to 15 containers or pallets on the main deck, together with bulk-loaded cargo in the lower holds. The carrier will operate the quiet, fuel-efficient aircraft on routes to Europe, Africa and the Middle East to service the general cargo trade.

The twinjet is powered by Pratt & Whitney PW2040 engines and is certified for a maximum takeoff weight of 255,500 lbs. (115,800 kgs).

The carrier also has four Boeing 757 all-passenger models scheduled for delivery during 1991 and 1992.

Ethiopian Airlines scores additional "firsts" with this introduction of the 757 Freighter: it is the first passenger airline in the world to operate the 757 Freighter (other existing operators are U.S. cargo carriers) and the first airline in Africa to operate both the Boeing 767 and 757.

Being first is not new to the airline. In 1984 Ethiopian introduced the

767 to the African continent. Today it operates a fleet of three 767-200 extended range jetliners on routes throughout Africa and to destinations in Europe, the Middle East and Asia.

The wide-body 767 and standard-body 757 have virtually identical flight decks and a common pilot type-rating, permitting airlines like Ethiopian the flexibility to switch flight crews between the two models. The commonality between the 767 and 757 yields additional savings in training, spare parts inventory and maintenance costs.

CONTACT: Steve Smith of Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, 206-965-1046

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#90239p8936 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Pennsylvania Capital Bank, Pittsburgh's first de novo bank in 15 years, announced today that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) has approved the bank's application for insurance coverage for the deposits of its customers.

The FDIC approval marks the final step in the bank's successful organization process. Donald R. Whitehead, president and managing director of Pennsylvania Capital Bank, said the bank will officially open for business on Monday, Sept. 10, 1990.

According to Charles A. Warden, organizer and director of the bank and president of Mid Atlantic Capital Group Inc., as of Aug. 17, the bank's initial stock offering has raised $6.8 million from over 150 local investors.

Pennsylvania Capital Bank received its preliminary charter last April from the Secretary of Banking of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Located in the Times Building at 336 Fourth Ave. between Smithfield and Wood streets, the bank will offer full-service private banking to individuals and closely held businesses with sophisticated financial needs.

CONTACT: Donald R. Whitehead, president and managing director of Pennsylvania Capital Bank, (412) 227-4830; or Douglas R. Chambers of American Information Marketing (412) 391-8680, for Pennsylvania Capital Bank.

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#90239p8937 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc. (CRIIMI MAE) (NYSE: CMM), a real estate investment trust specializing in insured, multifamily mortgage investments, has taken a further step in a plan to acquire 100 percent control of four insured mortgage investment

funds sponsored by Integrated Resources, Inc.

The acquisition plan was detailed in an amended registration statement (including a preliminary prospectus/offer to purchase) filed last week with the Securities and Exchange Commission. In the filing, CRIIMI MAE and a newly-formed company -- AIM Liquidating REIT, Inc. -- offer investors the right to exchange units in each of the four Integrated-sponsored AIM funds for (i) cash, payable after the first of the AIM funds is acquired under the plan, plus (ii) shares of common stock of either CRIMMI MAE or AIM Liquidating REIT. Ten percent of the exchange value per unit will be paid in the form of cash and 90 percent will be paid in shares.

The offer will not commence until the registration statement is declared effective by the SEC. Approval of a majority of the outstanding shares of CRIIMI MAE is required for the consummation of the offer.

CRIIMI MAE has retained Salomon Brothers Inc. to serve as dealer/manager for the offer.

The four funds, which in the aggregate held insured mortgage investments of more than $500 million at June 30, 1990, are American Insured Mortgage Investors (AIM 84), Integrated Resources American Insured Mortgage Investors - Series 85, A California Limited Partnership (AIM 85), American Insured Mortgage Investors L.P. - Series 86 (AIM 86) and American Insured Mortgage Investors L.P. - Series 88 (AIM 88).

A registration statement relating to the new shares of CRIIMI MAE and AIM Liquidating REIT, Inc. has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This news release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to by nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation, or sale would be unlawful prior to registration of qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

CONTACT: James T. Pastore, vice president, corporate communications, CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc., 301-231-0323 (CMM).

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ATLANTA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corp. is today reducing its Kentucky long-distance service rates by 4.8 percent.

Consumers and businesses in Kentucky can take advantage of the new rates when using MCI Dial 1 long-distance, the MCI Calling Card and MCI Payphone

services.

Over the past four years, MCI has reduced Kentucky intrastate rates by more than 20 percent and interstate rates by nearly 40 percent.

"We continue to save our customers money over AT&T," said Linda Zuccari, director of Consumer Marketing at MCI's Southeast Headquarters.

In addition to these latest rate reductions, MCI recently introduced its new PrimeTime Kentucky calling plan -- allowing customers in Kentucky to make both in-state and out-of-state long-distance calls for 15 cents per minute for the first hour, and 11 cents a minute thereafter.

"Kentucky residents can now save even more money," said Zuccari, "using MCI's simplified pricing approach and price reductions in the Bluegrass State."

CONTACT: Paul Sims of MCI Southeast, 404-668-6927.

-30- 1245

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FAIRFAX, VA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobil Chemical Canada Ltd. (MCCL) will expand its polyethylene stretch film operations in Belleville, Ontario, strengthening Mobil's position as the largest stretch film manufacturer in North America. The expansion, which will double the plant's capacity to produce such film, is scheduled to be completed by mid-1991.

Anthony J. Cavanna, vice president and general manager of Mobil Chemical Company's Films Division, said the Belleville project is the latest step in a series of expansions in North America that will increase Mobil's stretch film capacity by almost 100 percent since 1985.

The Belleville project includes the addition of a new film line that incorporates the latest in film-blowing technology and automatic recycling of in-plant film scrap, according to Joseph Murphy, sales manager at MCCL. Plant capacity for stretch film will approach 20 million pounds per year and will support Mobil's position as the leading supplier of this film in Canada.

"Growth at Belleville, from our initial marketing in 1981 to the projected 20 million pounds in 1991, reflects a rapidly expanding Canadian market which is now close to 50 million pounds per year," Murphy said.

Stretch film, which replaces baling wire and strapping, holds together goods on shipping pallets and protects a broad variety of loads during storage, handling and transit. Either machine-wrapped or hand- wrapped

around the load, the films provide load-holding power, clarity and cling. Stretch wrap for pallets continues as the primary market, but new uses include wrap for reels of paper, agricultural products and general bundling.

CONTACT: John Lord of Mobil, 703-846-2500.

-30- 1895

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ANNAPOLIS, MD (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - UNC Incorporated (NYSE: UNC) announced today that John J. Bonasia has been appointed group vice president, Engine Overhaul Operations.

In this position, which reports to the chairman and chief executive officer of UNC, Bonasia will be responsible for the operations, profitability, and growth of UNC's engine overhaul companies, Airwork Corp., located in Millville, N.J., and Pacific Airmotive Corp. located in Burbank, Calif.

Bonasia has been president of Airwork since May 1989. He joined UNC in July 1988 as senior vice president of Marketing and Sales for Airwork. Prior to coming to Airwork, he was with the General Electric Aircraft Engine Group where he was president and chief operating officer of the Elano Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of G.E.

Robert D. Boyne, group vice president of Aviation for UNC, will continue in that position and retain responsibility for the TSS Group, the company's aircraft accessory overhaul subsidiary. In addition, he will work on a corporate-wide basis to develop new business opportunities related to all of UNC's aviation programs.

UNC Incorporated, listed on the New York Stock Exchange, is engaged in overhauling aircraft engines and aircraft components; manufacturing and repairing jet engine parts; and providing other services to the nation's aviation industry.

CONTACT: David L. Dragics or Robert L. Pevenstein of UNC Incorporated, 301-266-7333.

-30- 1634

#90239p8947 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - National Media Corp. (NASDAQ: NMCO) has announced that the company has filed an application for listing on the New York Stock Exchange for the trading of its common stock. It is expected that National Media Corp.'s securities will begin trading on the NYSE about mid-September.

In making the announcement, the company said, "This decision was made after careful consideration of the advantages of a listing on the NYSE versus the Over-the-Counter National Market System. There is certainly the prestige factor connected with a Big Board listing, especially in the foreign investment community.

"National Media Corporation has met the listing requirements for NYSE for the past year but we have enjoyed an excellent relationship with NASDAQ and our market makers. We expect this listing to provide a broader market for National Media Corporation shares, with improved visibility and increased interest in our company and greater access to capital markets."

National Media Corp. is one of the largest direct-marketing companies in the country, and the largest in specific 30-minute "infomercials." Products are marketed through television, print media and catalogues. Secondary revenues are generated through the leasing or renting of its customer lists to other entities and through highly targeted telemarketing.

CONTACT: William Campbell of National Media Corp., (215) 482-9800.

-30- 1603

#90239p8951 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Quebec and Ontario Paper Company Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Tribune Company (NYSE: TRB), announced today that its Baie Comeau, Quebec, newsprint mill has resumed production after a four-week shutdown due to a strike by two locals of the Canadian Paperworkers Union, representing 1,200 production and maintenance workers.

The workers returned to work today after local issues were resolved in talks between the company and the two union locals on Thursday and Friday last week. The next step is for the mill to begin negotiations at the Eastern Canada Newsprint Group level, along with the three other mills in the group.

The Baie Comeau mill has a rated newsprint capacity of 450,000 metric tons. Q&O's other newsprint mill, at Thorold, Ontario, has been on strike since Aug. 14. Its rated capacity is 310,000 tons.

CONTACT: Garry Smith of Quebec and Ontario Paper, 416-641-4378

-30- 1133

#90239p8955 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Duke Power Company (NYSE: DUK) announced today plans to test the residential load control system on

Wednesday, August 29 or Thursday, August 30.

"The actual date of the test will depend on the projected system load and capacity available to meet our customers' need for electricity," said Walter Campbell, Dukes' manager of power supply.

More than 156,000 residential customers have volunteered to participate in the load control program by allowing Duke to temporarily interrupt service to their air conditioners and/or water heaters if overall demand for electricity is greater than available generation. Customers receive credits averaging $91.60 per year on their power bills for participating in the program.

"It's not a common occurrence on our system to use load control," said Campbell. This week's test is part of Duke's maintenance program and helps ensure that the system will work properly when needed.

No action by customers is necessary for the test. However, if customers notice that their central air conditioners or water heaters are not working on either of these days, they should check the load control device. A red indicator light will be on if the system has been activated.

Customers who have questions about the test or would like information about the load control program should contact their local Duke Power office.

In the event of an emergency requiring the use of the load control system prior to the test, the test will be cancelled.

CONTACT: Joni McMillan, 704-373-4900, or Sondra Wise, 704-373-8537, both of Duke Power Company; after 6 p.m., call 704-382-8826

-30- 1851

#90239p8957 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Motor Cars, importer of Sterling luxury sedans, today announced the addition of a new employee to its headquarters here.

Joe Schreier will join the service department as a field auditor reporting to the warranty manager.

Schreier comes to Sterling with experience in the wholesale import business, in service management and warranty auditing.

Sterling Motor Cars markets the Sterling 827S, 827Si, 827SL, 827SLi, and the limited-production Oxford Edition.

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for Sterling Motor Cars

-30- 765

#90239p8959 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today announced the following real estate mortgage investment conduit (REMIC) pricing:

Date of Pricing: August 23, 1990 Trust Number: 1990-119
Amount: $1.0001 Billion
Dealer: Goldman, Sachs & Co.
REMIC backed by: 9.5 percent Fannie Mae MBS (backed by 30-year Fixed-rate Mortgages)
Settlement date: October 29, 1990

Class	Type	Amount in Millions	Coupon
A	PAC	$ 76.320	9.00 percent
B	PAC	$117.280	9.00 percent
C	PAC	$101.960	9.00 percent
D	PAC	$ 69.082	6.00 percent
E	PAC	$ 37.198	16.00 percent
G	PAC IO	$ .200	570.20 percent
H	PAC	$108.660	9.00 percent
J	PAC	$115.620	9.00 percent
K	PAC	$ 85.720	9.50 percent
L	PAC IO	$ .200	748.40 percent
F	Floating-rate	$235.440	9.15 percent
S	Inverse Floating-rate	$ 28.340	8.325 percent
SA	Inverse Floating-rate	$ 23.980	14.325 percent
R	Residual	$ .090	9.50 percent
RL	Lower Tier Residual	$ .010	9.50 percent

The interest rates for Classes F, S, and SA are based on one-month LIBOR, reset-monthly.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

CONTACT: Bonnie O'Dell of Fannie Mae, (202) 752-6527.

-30- 2126

#90239p8960 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Alcoa Mineracao, a subsidiary of Alcoa Aluminio S.A. and of Billiton Metais, has received an environmental license to construct a bauxite mine in the Trombetas River area of the Amazon region in Brazil, it was announced today.

Initial capacity of the mine will be 2.25 million metric tons per year (mtpy) and will be expandable to 4.5 million mtpy. Investment in the first phase will be $150 million. Construction will begin next year with the start of the dry season in the Amazon region.

Alcoa Aluminio and Billiton Metais are partners in the Alumar consortium which began operation of a bauxite refinery and aluminum smelter in 1984 near Sao Luis on the northern coast of Brazil. Alumar operates a 1.0 million mtpy refinery and a 245,000 mtpy smelter. It is in the process of starting up an 83,000 mtpy addition to the smelter. Through Alcoa Mineracao, the consortium holds rights to 230 million metric tons of bauxite deposits in the Amazon Valley.

Bauxite for the Alumar refinery currently is supplied by Mineracao Rio do Norte S.A., a private Brazilian mining company with reserves in the Trombetas River area, and from imports from Africa.

Announcing plans for the new mine, Alain Belda, Alcoa vice president-Latin America based in Sao Paulo, said:

"Alumar operates one of the most efficient bauxite refineries in the world. The ability to obtain bauxite at competitive costs will give Alumar economic advantages it has lacked since its inception. The new mine also represents a final consolidation of Alumar's operations."

He continued: "Alcoa Aluminio has operated mining, refining and smelting facilities at Pocos de Caldas in the south of Brazil for over 20 years. It was the first company in Brazil to institute reclamation and reforestation practices for mined areas. Alcoa Aluminio was recently recognized by Brazilian environmental authorities as a leader in these practices. As a matter of the company's environmental policy, comprehensive reclamation and reforestation activities will be integral parts of the operation of the new mine."

CONTACT: A.T. Posti of Alcoa, 412-553-4465

-30- 2335

#90239p8963 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, CALIF. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Pratt & Whitney's prototype F119-PW-100 engines powered a YF-23 prototype aircraft during its first flight here today. The YF-23 is the Northrop-McDonnell Douglas

candidate for the U.S. Air Force's Advanced Tactical Fighter (ATF).

The advanced technology F119, Pratt & Whitney's newest and most powerful engine, is the result of more than seven years of design and development. It will enable the ATF to cruise at supersonic speeds without using afterburner, significantly increasing the aircraft's range and enhancing survivability.

"We are pleased with the performance of our engines. This flight is a major milestone for the ATF program and we are proud to be part of the Air Force-Navy-Northrop-McDonnell Douglas team that made it possible," said Walter N. Bylciw, Pratt & Whitney vice president for F119 programs.

"We have worked for many years to develop this engine and it is exciting to have it flying. The F119 is the right engine for the ATF and we are looking forward to the flight demonstration program to prove its outstanding performance and operability."

The F119 engine represents a major advancement in jet engine technology, offering performance not attainable from engines now in service. It has fewer and more durable parts and is easier to support and maintain than existing engines.

Much of the technology in the F119 was developed under the Advanced Technology Engine Gas Generator (ATEGG) and Joint Technology Demonstrator Engine (JTDE) research programs, funded by the Air Force, Navy and Pratt & Whitney.

Bylciw explained, "Although many of the F119's advanced features are being incorporated in a flight-test engine for the first time, they have been thoroughly tested in the ATEGG, JTDE and other research programs."

Pratt & Whitney's Government Engine Business, based in West Palm Beach, Fla., designs, develops and supports military jet engines. Pratt & Whitney is a unit of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX).

CONTACT: Chuck Suits of Pratt & Whitney, 407-796-6799

-30- 2277

#90239p8966 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Jefferson Smurfit Corporation has announced the appointment of Truman L. Sturdevant to the position of vice president and general manager of Smurfit Newsprint Corporation (SNC). SNC, a division of Jefferson Smurfit Corporation, is the nation's third largest producer of newsprint. Sturdevant, who will be located at SNC headquartered in Oregon City, Ore., will be responsible for the division's mills in Oregon City and Newberg, Ore., and Pomona, Calif., as well as the

Oregon-based Cladwood operations.

Sturdevant joined Jefferson Smurfit Corporation in 1986 as vice president and general manager of SNC's Oregon City newsprint mill, where he had served since 1984 as resident manager under the previous mill ownership, Publishers Paper Company. In 1989, he was named vice president and general manager of SNC's newsprint mill in Newberg, Ore. He previously held various senior management positions in the paper industry with Boise Cascade Corporation and Port Townsend Papers.

Sturdevant is a 1956 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison with a degree in business.

Jefferson Smurfit Corporation is a privately held company jointly owned by The Morgan Stanley Leveraged Equity Fund II in New York, and Dublin, Ireland-based Jefferson Smurfit Group plc.

St. Louis-based Jefferson Smurfit Corporation, one of the most broadly based paper and paperboard packaging manufacturers in the world, manages estimated annual sales of $4.5 billion and operates more than 170 mills and converting operations in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Puerto Rico.

CONTACT: Terry Ingram of Jefferson Smurfit, 314-746-1242

-30- 1869

#90239p8969 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHARDSON, TEXAS (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - CompuTrac, Inc. (AMEX: LLB), today announced a 50 percent decrease in operating revenues resulting in a net loss of $144,600 for the second quarter ending July, 1990.

Quarterly operating revenues were $2,265,788, compared with $4,501,206 in the prior year's second quarter. The operating loss totaled $131,060 in the quarter compared with operating income of $1,007,456 in the comparable prior period. Subject to the company's write-down of its equity investment in Hewlett-Packard stock by approximately $185,000, the pre-tax loss closed at $245,601, down from pre-tax earnings of $1,030,739. After recognition of a tax benefit of $101,000 for income taxes in the current quarter, the net loss was $144,601, or 2 cents a share, compared with net income of $690,739, or 12 cents a share in the comparable prior quarter after income taxes at a 33 percent rate. They were 5,885,700 weighted average primary shares outstanding vs. 5,947,235 in the prior quarter.

For the six-months, operating revenues declined 46 percent to $4,287,099 from $7,979,076 in the prior year's comparable period. The pre-tax loss was $490,434 vs. pre-tax earnings of $1,807,389. Subject to the tax benefit of $101,000 during the period, the net loss was $389,434 or 7

cents a share compared with net income of $1,211,389 or 20 cents a share in the prior period.

CompuTrac, Inc. develops, markets, services and supports integrated turnkey computer systems designed specifically for the legal profession and information retrieval systems for general corporate use.

CONTACT: Steven M. Crane of CompuTrac, Inc., 214-234-4241

-30- 1831

#90239p8972 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Due to the warm weather the region is experiencing and equipment outages at generating facilities, Baltimore Gas & Electric (NYSE: BGE) today asked its customers to conserve electricity for the next few days.

Heavy electric usage, particularly the demand for air conditioning, has strained the ability of utilities in the Baltimore-Washington region to meet present demand.

In order to conserve electricity, BG&E is specifically asking customers to:

-- Curtail air-conditioning usage by setting thermostats as high as personal comfort permits. As a guideline, BG&E suggests setting central air-conditioning and heat pump thermostats no lower than 80 degrees. Window units should be set somewhat higher than the normal setting. These steps will not only lower demand, but will lower customers' bills.

-- If you are going to be out of the house for more than four hours, turn your air conditioner off.

-- Postpone some household chores such as washing and drying clothes or running dishwashers until after 8 p.m. when electric demand subsides.

-- If you own an electric stove or oven, consider using outdoor cooking equipment such as gas or barbecue grills, if feasible.

BG&E personnel will continue to monitor the situation and asked residents to stay tuned to their radios for more information. The company thanked all its customers for their patience and cooperation.

CONTACT: Charles J. Franklin Jr. of Baltimore Gas and Electric, 301-234-7433

-30- 1685

#90239p8975 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of The Standard Products Co. (NYSE: SPD) today declared a regular dividend of 23 cents a share, payable Oct. 22, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 8, 1990.

Cleveland-based Standard Products manufactures rubber and plastic parts for the automotive original equipment industry, rubberized track for military vehicles, and plastic and magnetic door seals for home appliances. Its Oliver Rubber subsidiary is a major producer and marketer of tread rubber for truck tire retreading.

CONTACT: Joseph A. Robinson of The Standard Products Co., (216) 281-8300; or Stanley Ulchaker of Edward Howard & Co., (216) 781-2400, for The Standard Products Co.

-30- 866
#90239p8976 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - James B. Malloy, president and chief executive officer of Jefferson Smurfit Corporation (JSC) and Container Corporation of America (CCA) has announced the appointment of James E. Terrill to the newly created position of executive vice president - operations. Terrill, currently president of Smurfit Newsprint Corporation, will also retain that title.

"The continuing aggressive growth of Jefferson Smurfit Corporation has necessitated a broader distribution of operating responsibilities," Malloy said. "Jim Terrill's performance as head of Smurfit Newsprint, combined with his industry expertise, as well as extensive in-depth experience in several JSC divisions, made him eminently qualified to serve in this new capacity."

Terrill is a 30-year veteran of the paper and paperboard packaging industry. He served for 11 years with Potlatch Corporation in sales and management positions before joining Alton Box Board Company in 1971 as general manager of the company's corrugated container plant in Chicago. In 1974, he relocated to the firm's headquarters in Alton, Ill., to serve as regional manager of the Industrial Packaging Division. He was subsequently named vice president and general manager of the division in 1979. In 1986, Terrill was appointed president of Smurfit Newsprint Corporation on the West Coast.

Terrill is a 1959 graduate of the University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho, with a degree in political science and economics.

Jefferson Smurfit Corporation is a privately held company jointly owned by The Morgan Stanley Leveraged Equity Fund II in New York, and Dublin, Ireland-based Jefferson Smurfit Group plc. St. Louis-based Jefferson Smurfit Corporation, one of the most broadly based paper and paperboard

packaging manufacturers in the world, manages estimated annual sales of $4.5 billion and operates more than 170 mills and converting operations in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Puerto Rico. It is also America's number one waste paper recycler through its subsidiary Smurfit Recycling Company.

CONTACT: Terry Ingram of Jefferson Smurfit, 314-746-1242

-30- 2355

#90239p8977 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

VAL D'OR, QUEBEC (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Acquisitor Mines Ltd. today issued the following statement:

Subject to regulatory approval, Acquisitor Mines has entered into a best efforts agreement today with Brault, Guy, O'Brien Inc., stockbrokers of Montreal, Quebec, for the distribution in the Province of Quebec by way of an offering memorandum to not more than 25 investors of a minimum of 750,000 shares and a maximum of 1,500,000 shares at $0.20 each, with warrants not exceeding 12 months to purchase an equal number of shares at $0.25 each.

Proceeds from the offering will be used, after payment of the costs of the offering, to carry out exploration work on the south portion of the company's property in Dubuisson Township, Abitibi, Quebec. The company owns 50 percent of this property, with Stabell Resources Inc. owning the other 50 percent.

CONTACT: Luigi Stefano (Steven) Migliacci, president, (819) 825-8628.

-30- 1114

#90239p8983 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

JOHNSTON, R.I. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Shawmut Mortgage Company today announced a special mortgage program designed for the first-time homebuyer. The program's main feature is a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage product with flexible underwriting guidelines and low downpayment requirements so that first-time buyers can purchase a home of their own.

Specifically, the program features downpayments of as low 5 percent on single-family homes and 10 percent on condominiums. Qualifying ratios, that is, the percentage of an applicant's salary that can be allotted to housing expense and total monthly debt, have also been increased to 33 and 38 percent respectively from Shawmut's normal guidelines of 28 and 36 percent.

Shawmut Mortgage has also tailored the program to help reduce closing costs associated with purchasing a home. Shawmut will allow sellers to

pay closing costs up to 3.2 percent of the value of the mortgage loan. These seller payments can, for example, take the form of paying legal fees or a one-time private mortgage insurance premium for those borrowers who do not meet Shawmut's minimum downpayment guidelines. The mortgage company has also been able to limit legal fees for bank representation to $200. This fee, which is normally much higher, must be paid by the buyer.

Through its First-Time Homebuyer Program, Shawmut Mortgage will write loans up to $187,450 and has no income restrictions on those who may apply for mortgage consideration via this program. Shawmut will also, at no charge, pre-qualify borrowers so that they know how much of a loan they qualify for before going house shopping.

"The need for this type of first-time homebuyer program is clearly evident " said Bob Brady, chief operating officer of Shawmut Mortgage Company. Citing a recent report completed by the Joint Center for Housing Studies at Harvard University, Brady noted that although some regions of the country may be experiencing slight reductions in the price of housing, to quote the study's findings, "continued high home prices and rents imply that the housing affordability problems of first-time home buyers and low- and moderate-income renters will not fade away in the 1990s."

In the Northeast, according to research conducted by the Chicago Title Insurance Company, first-time homebuyers make up 46.4 percent of the homebuyer market. The average first-time homebuyer in this region is 30 years old, puts down 21 percent of the purchase price, uses 37.3 percent of household income to make monthly payments, uses his or her own savings for 81.1 percent of the downpayment, and relies on relatives and other sources for the additional 18.9 percent of the downpayment. The average first-time homebuyer saves for 3.8 years to raise the necessary downpayment to purchase a home.

Shawmut Mortgage Company is a subsidiary of Shawmut National Corporation (NYSE: SNC), a superregional bank holding company with assets of $25 billion. Shawmut Mortgage, the leading mortgage lender in New England, has loan production offices throughout Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island.

CONTACT: Brent S. Di Giorgio of Shawmut Mortgage Co., 203-240-7632

-30- 3404

#90239p8985 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank of America has joined the Visa International ATM Network, opening its Versateller automated teller machines for round-the-clock cash access by all 228 million Visa cardholders.

The addition of Bank of America's Versateller network of more than 1550 ATMs in California brings the Visa ATM network to 54,900 machines, located in 40 countries, including all 50 states. In September, Versateller ATMs in Nevada will also accept Visa cards.

"Now Visa cardholders traveling in the West on business or pleasure have access to the nation's largest proprietary automated teller machine network," said Vice President Deborah McWhinney, head of Consumer Electronic Banking at Bank of America. "Versateller ATMs can be found at most major airports as well as in popular tourist destinations such as Disneyland and Yosemite."

Already the world's largest international network, Visa last month became the first to top 50,000 automated teller machines around the globe.

A Visa cardholder can withdraw cash from any Visa ATM Network machine by using a Visa card and a personal identification number. The transaction amount is drawn automatically from the cardholder's account.

In June, cardholders used the Visa network to obtain $145 million in cash, up more than 101 percent from the same month in 1989.

Visa, with 228 million cards in circulation, including 126 million in the United States, is the world's largest consumer payments system.

CONTACT: Betty Riess of Bank of America, 415-622-6397, or Gregory J. Holmes of Visa U.S.A., 415-570-2107

-30- 1788
#90239p8990 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Canadian Auto Workers members at General Motors have given their bargaining committee an overwhelming mandate to strike if necessary to back contract demands in the current round of negotiations, the union announced today.

Workers voted yesterday at eight GM plants in Windsor, Woodstock, London, St. Catharines, Scarborough, Oshawa, and Ste. Therese, Quebec. Talks began with GM on July 24, and the expiration date of current contracts for all three auto majors is Sept. 14.

CAW president Bob White called the vote a strong endorsement of the union's bargaining goals. "Contract negotiations are about making progress for the workers," White said. "We don't want a strike, but we are determined to make significant progress."

On Aug. 19, workers at Ford and Chrysler also voted decisively in favor of strike action if necessary with votes of 97.5 percent and 97.9 percent

respectively.

The union will soon decide which of the three auto companies to target to set the pattern for the 1990 negotiations.

CONTACT: Peggy Nash of CAW Communications, 416-495-6548

-30- 1298

#90239p8992 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Cyprus Minerals Co. (NYSE: CYM) today announced a major modernization and expansion of its Miami, Ariz. smelter which is designed to make Cyprus self sufficient in copper smelting for the long term and reduce the company's overall cost of production. Cyprus' board of directors approved plans for the $92.5 million modernization that will increase the throughput capacity of the smelter from 450,000 tons to 650,000 tons of copper concentrates annually.

The first step in the Miami project will be to obtain the necessary state and federal approvals. Completion of construction and start-up is anticipated in mid-1992. The expansion of the smelter will include the addition of an oxygen enriched combustion process that will reduce the consumption of high-cost electric power for smelting.

The modernization is expected to lower the cost of copper produced from the Sierrita-Twin Buttes copper complex near Tucson, at Bagdad in northern Arizona, and at other Cyprus locations. The greater copper concentrate throughput will also increase the production of acid used in leach copper operations at Miami and other locations, and should eliminate the need to buy acid from outside sources.

"This is a strategic investment which will strengthen Cyprus' position in the copper business," said Kenneth J. Barr, chairman and chief Executive Officer of Cyprus Minerals. "It will have a positive impact on our operating costs and will improve Cyprus' competitive position in the copper industry."

Also Cyprus announced that the mill expansion at its Bagdad, Arizona copper mine has been completed and began operation August 20.

The expansion increases Bagdad's annual copper production by 40 million pounds to more than 220 million pounds. The addition was designed to reduce production costs through added processing capacity and improved productivity. The addition of a fifth grinding line increases daily mill throughput from 60,000 tons to 75,000 tons of ore.

Cyprus Minerals, headquartered in Englewood, Colo., is a major producer of copper, molybdenum, lithium, coal, and talc. Cyprus produced about 600

million pounds of copper in 1989.

CONTACT: Mike Rounds of Cyprus Minerals Co., 303-643-5186

-30- 2461

#90239p8993 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CONN. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Connecticut National Mortgage Company today announced a special mortgage program designed for the first-time homebuyer. The program's main feature is a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage product with flexible underwriting guidelines and low downpayment requirements so that first-time buyers can purchase a home of their own.

Specifically, the program features downpayments of as low as 5 percent on single-family homes and 10 percent on condominiums. Qualifying ratios, that is, the percentage of an applicant's salary that can be allotted to housing expense and total monthly debt, have also been increased to 33 and 38 percent respectively from Connecticut National Mortgage Company's normal guidelines of 28 and 36 percent.

Connecticut National Mortgage has also tailored the program to help reduce closing costs associated with purchasing a home. The mortgage company will allow sellers to pay closing costs up to 3.2 percent of the value of the mortgage loan. These seller payments can, for example, take the form of paying legal fees or a one-time private mortgage insurance premium for those borrowers who do not meet Connecticut National Mortgage Company's minimum downpayment guidelines. The mortgage company has also been able to limit legal fees for bank representation to $200. This fee, which is normally much higher, must be paid by the buyer.

Through its First-Time Homebuyer Program, Connecticut National Mortgage will write loans up to $187,450 and has no income restrictions on those who may apply for mortgage consideration via this program. Connecticut National Mortgage will also, at no charge, pre-qualify borrowers so that they know how much of a loan they qualify for before going house shopping.

The Connecticut National Mortgage Company is part of Shawmut Mortgage Company, a subsidiary of Shawmut National Corporation (NYSE: SNC), a superregional bank holding company with assets of $25 billion. Shawmut Mortgage, the leading mortgage lender in New England, has loan production offices throughout Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island.

CONTACT: Brent S. Di Giorgio of Shawmut Mortgage Co., 203-240-7632

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#90239p8994 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HEWLETT, NY (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard W. Dalrymple has been appointed president and chief operating officer of Hewlett, N.Y.-based Anchor Savings Bank FSB (NASDAQ: ABKR), announced James M. Large, Jr., the bank's chairman and chief executive officer. Dalrymple will also serve on Anchor's board of directors.

A New Jersey native, Dalrymple, 47, comes to Anchor from the Bank of Boston where he headed the institution's worldwide banking services operation. Dalrymple joined Bank of Boston in 1985 as president of its subsidiary, Massachusetts Bank Group, with responsibility for 125 statewide branches, consumer lending, personal trust, and other areas. He also served Bank of Boston in other high level positions, including president -- southern New England region.

"Dicks's vast knowledge and experience will help Anchor continue to meet the goals outlined in our recently approved capital plan," said Large. Customers and shareholders alike are fortunate to have him as part of the Anchor team."

Prior to joining the Bank of Boston, Dalrymple was an executive vice president at European-American Bank where he headed its community banking, consumer lending and middle market corporate lending operations.

Dalrymple began his banking career in 1965 at Chemical Bank, where he worked his way up the corporate ladder to the position of division vice president responsible for the bank's 50 branch Manhattan division.

Dalrymple holds an undergraduate degree from the University of Notre Dame. He and his wife Kathy have six children aged 10 through 24.

Anchor Savings Bank is among the 25 largest U.S. thrifts with operations in four market areas: metropolitan New York/New Jersey, upstate New York, Georgia and Florida.

CONTACT: Martin J. Coopersmith of Anchor Savings Bank, 516-596-3950

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#90239p9004 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co. opened its first international hotel in Sydney, Australia, today with a dramatic flag-raising and ribbon-cutting ceremony conducted by The Hon. Nick Greiner MP, premier of New South Wales.

In Atlanta, the headquarters for The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co., Chairman W.B. Johnson noted that "the opening of our Sydney hotel is the first in a series of international properties planned by the company." He continued: "This marks a strategic phase in our company's growth. With

the globalization of the world economy it is vital for us to be in the key economic centers and leisure destinations that our guests frequent. But perhaps most important, our guests have asked us to serve them in these destinations."

Ritz-Carlton presently has overseas hotels under construction in Europe, London and Barcelona (opening 1992), as well as in the Far East, Hong Kong (opening 1991), and a second hotel in Sydney at Double Bay (opening 1991). Additional international destinations are under development.

A boutique hotel overlooking the Royal Botanic Gardens and The Sydney Opera House in the center of Sydney's business district, The Ritz-Carlton offers the most discerning traveler a "grand home" in the traditional style with uncompromising levels of personal service. The hotel features original 18th and 19th century antiques and fine art throughout the public spaces. The spacious guest rooms and suites are handsomely decorated with mahogany beds, overstuffed club chairs, writing and vanity tables.

Centrally located for business meetings, the hotel offers an elegant function room catering for banquets for up to 100 people and a wood-paneled boardroom for private meetings.

Likewise, for social occasions the hotel provides fine dining in its two elegant restaurants and club-like bar. Commenting on the important role The Ritz-Carlton, Sydney will play in the community, Tom Klein, general manager, said today in his opening speech: "Please consider The Ritz-Carlton, Sydney as 'your' hotel, not 'our' hotel. It is genuinely a place for the community and we hope that you will share some very special moments with us." The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co.

The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co. is an international hotel company headquartered in Atlanta.

CONTACT: Gayle B. MacIntyre of The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Company, 404-237-5500, or in Australia, Carey Frost of The Ritz-Carlton, Sydney, 011-61-2-252-4600

-30- 2689

#90239p9009 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Quanex Corp. (NYSE: NX) a leading manufacturer of specialty metal products, today announced the successful completion of a $125 million private placement of 10.77 percent unsecured senior notes. The senior notes contain customary convenants and mature Aug. 23, 2000 with annual repayments of $20.8 million beginning Aug. 23, 1995. Merrill Lynch Capital Markets advised Quanex and served as placement agent.

Quanex said that it intends to use the net proceeds from the sale of the senior notes to repay the bank debt incurred in August 1989 to acquire Nichols Homeshield, its aluminum building products business; to construct an aluminum mini-mill, and to finance other capital expenditures.

Carl E. Pfeiffer, chairman and chief executive officer said, "We are pleased with this financing. It adds long term capitalization to our financial structure and funds two important parts of our growth plans. It also strengthens Quanex. In fact, the Standard & Poor's Corp. recently upgraded the rating on our Quanex convertible exchangeable preferred stock, citing 'Quanex's financial flexibility to withstand downturns in the intensely competitive specialty steel markets... as a result of the planned $125 million senior debt issue.' We agree with S & P's assessment."

Quanex is a technological leader in the manufacture of steel, aluminum and titanium specialty metal products for transportation, capital equipment, home building and remodeling and energy processing markets.

Latest 12 month data: sales; $620.3 million, operating earnings; $52.1 million, net income; $25.2 million, cash from operations; $68.8 million, earnings per share; $1.80, quarterly dividend rate; 10 cents per share, book value per share; $11.76, long term debt/capitalization; 30 percent, return on shareholders' equity; 14.7 percent, common stock price range (52 week High/Low) $18.625 and $11.50.

CONTACT: W.F. Cleary of Quanex Corp., 713-961-4600

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#90239p9010 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALY CITY, CA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The first man to take a chance on Colonel Harland Sanders' recipe for fried chicken 38 years ago, today opened the nation's 5,000th Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant here -- and a company official predicted the system will double in the next decade.

Together with senior officers of Kentucky Fried Chicken Corp., Leon "Pete" Harman of Los Altos, Calif., Colonel Sanders' first franchisee and operator of more than 240 Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurants, cut the ribbon for the company's 5,000th unit in the United States.

The ceremony took place against a background of 5,000 Kentucky Fried Chicken buckets constructed in the form of a 16-foot-high pyramid at the new restaurant in Daly City, at 287 Westmoor Ave. (at Skyline Blvd.).

"I am very fortunate to have been a part of Kentucky Fried Chicken's growth from a single franchisee with one restaurant to one of the largest restaurant systems in the world," said Harman. "To commemorate this

historic milestone, we are donating Kentucky Fried chicken to feed 5,000 of the Bay Area's neediest people."

"We're pleased and proud to have Pete Harman, the first Kentucky Fried Chicken franchisee, operate our 5,000th unit," said John M. Cranor, president and chief executive officer of Kentucky Fried Chicken Corp. "Pete has been a pioneer in our industry, helping to establish Kentucky Fried Chicken as a market leader with enormous growth opportunities. Although it took nearly four decades to build 5,000 outlets, our goal is to achieve 10,000 by the end of this decade.

"Pete Harman has been an outstanding innovator in the quick-service restaurant industry," Cranor said. "Not only did he recognize a concept with extraordinary appeal before it was proven, he has dedicated a lifetime to bringing that concept to millions of consumers."

Harman, who is chairman of the board of Los Altos-based Harman Management Corp., has arranged to donate Kentucky Fried Chicken for 5,000 needy and homeless people in the Bay Area. The food will be distributed through St. Anthony's Dining Room, Glide Memorial Church, and Oakland's Project Outreach.

Since 1952, when Harman and Colonel Sanders sealed their franchise agreement with a handshake, more than 8,000 Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurants have opened in 59 countries. Sales at Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurants worldwide amount to more than $5 billion annually.

CONTACT: Richard M. Detwiler of Kentucky Fried Chicken Corp., 502-456-8482; or Einar Bergstadt of Harman Management Corp., 415-941-5681 for Kentucky Fried Chicken Corp.

-30- 2811

#90239p9017 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAHLEQUAH, OK (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - American Nursery Products Inc. (NASDAQ: ANSY) announced today that net sales for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990, were $51,445,000 compared to $46,139,000 for fiscal 1989. Net income for fiscal 1990 was $826,000 or 22 cents per share compared to a net loss of $223,000 or 6 cents per share for fiscal 1989. Income before provision for income taxes was $1,208,000 which was $1,625,000 greater than the preceding year.

American Nursery Products Inc. is principally engaged in the business of growing trees, ornamental plants and foliage plants for distribution on a wholesale basis. The company is headquartered in Tahlequah, and owns and leases nursery farm properties and warehouse facilities in the states of Alabama, Florida, Iowa, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, and the Republic of Guatemala.

AMERICAN NURSERY PRODUCTS
Consolidated Condensed Statements of Operations
Fiscal Year 1990 and 4th Quarter

	Fiscal Year Ended	
	May 31 1990	May 31 1989
Net Sales	$51,445,000	$46,139,000
Income (loss) before provision for income taxes	1,208,000	(417,000)
Net income (loss)	826,000	(223,000)
Net income (loss) per share	$.22	$(.06)
Weighted number of shares outstanding	3,697,973	3,671,863

	Fourth Quarter Ended	
	May 31 1990	May 31 1989
Net Sales	$34,807,000	$31,710,000
Income before provision for income taxes	4,793,000	4,737,000
Net income	2,997,000	2,971,000
Net income per share	.81	.80
Weighted number of shares outstanding	3,711,993	3,691,606

CONTACT: James Murphy of American Nursery Products, 918-456-0703

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#90239p9018 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Mail Boxes Etc. (NASDAQ: MAIL) announced the following financial results for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990.

The company's first quarter revenues were $6,181,705 and net income was $793,489. This compares to $5,424,519 of revenues and $588,077 of net income for the quarter ended July 31, 1989. This represents a 14 percent increase in revenue and 35 percent increase in net income. Earnings per share were $.21 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, compared to $.15 for the same quarter ended July 31, 1989. This represents a 40 percent increase.

Mail Boxes Etc. is a San Diego-based holding company whose operating subsidiary, Mail Boxes Etc. USA Inc. (also known as "The Post Office Alternative") is the nation's largest franchisor of neighborhood Service Centers specializing in postal, business and communications services. At the close of business on July 31, 1990, Mail Boxes Etc. had 1,187 Service Centers operating in 46 states, plus the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico

Canada, Mexico and Japan.

CONTACT: A.W. (Tony) DeSio, CEO of Mail Boxes Etc., 619-452-1553

-30- 1312

#90239p9020 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Aug. 24, 1990.

All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields
(30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago
Conventional			
15-Year FRM	9.90	9.80	9.89
30-Year FRM	10.23	10.08	10.13
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	10.48	10.33	10.38
10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.			
Second Mortgages	10.020	9.930	9.930

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term)

Yields Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	9.20	9.05	9.60	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	9.45	9.30	9.85	2.000 pct.
1(A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	8.15	8.00	8.65	2.250 pct. 6 mos(A)
(COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	8.25	8.10	8.80	2.125 pct.

(A) Rate reduction (B) New 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM. Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs.

LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
July 30, 1990	8.063	8.047	8.047	8.109
June 28, 1990	8.328	8.375	8.438	8.500

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 8/24/90	Year to Date	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(A)	425.7	14,858.9	13,241.9
Purchases	488.0	14,792.6	11,805.9
MBS Issued	1,903.2	60,876.3	35,840.8

(A) Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

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#90239p9023 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WACO, TEXAS (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - (NASDAQ: ASKC) ASK Corp. (ASK) announced today that it may reactivate its American Solar King subsidiary in response to increasing public interest in solar energy products.

ASK said it has been contacted by shareholders and other interested parties who have urged the company to re-enter the solar market.

American Solar King Corp. is now wholly-owned subsidiary of ASK Corp. Prior to 1985 American Solar King was one of the nation's leading manufacturers of solar thermal products used in residential and commercial applications. In early 1986, favorable renewable energy tax credits expired and the price of oil plummeted to below $10 per barrel. As a result, demand for solar energy products declined to practically zero.

ASK Corp. said today consumer demand for solar products has remained essentially dormant for the last five years. The company said, however, the recent crisis in the Middle East, higher oil prices and a renewed concern for energy security have strongly stimulated public interest in solar energy as well as other alternative energy sources and conservation.

ASK said it is now formulating plants to reactivate American Solar King. ASK maintains a significant manufacturing facility which could begin production of solar products on relatively short notice, the company said.

ASK said it is discussing these plans with certain investors to determine when and how a recapitalization of American Solar King Corp. may occur.

Between 1976 and 1986, American Solar King Corp. produced and sold thousands of solar energy systems from coast to coast and in a number of world markets. American Solar King Corp. produced products under its own tradename and for Sears solar under a licensing agreement with Sears, Roebuck & Co.

ASK said, if activated, American Solar King Corp. will produce solar thermal systems for residential and commercial applications including solar water heating, space heating and air conditioning.

CONTACT: Brian D. Pardo of ASK Corp., 817-776-3860

-30- 2273

#90239p9026 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Orthomet, Inc. (NASDAQ: OMET) reported net sales of $13,443,965 for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, an increase of 30 percent over net sales of $10,377,232 for fiscal 1989. The increase in net sales was due to a 41 percent increase in sales of the company's own manufactured products, from $9,081,198 last year to $12,777,481 this year. The company reported net earnings of $234,315, or $.07 per share, for fiscal 1990, compared to a net loss of $691,164, or $.28 per share, in fiscal 1989.

For the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, net sales decreased 13 percent to $2,637,974 from $3,041,243 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Net loss for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 was $193,228, or $.07 per share compared to a net loss of $470,480, or $.18 per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Orthomet, Inc. is in the business of designing, manufacturing and marketing selected orthopedic products, primarily reconstructive knee and hip implants and related surgical instrumentation.

ORTHOMET, INC.
RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended		Year Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Manufactured sales	$2,620,332	$2,739,569	$12,777,481	$9,081,198
Distribution sales	17,642	301,674	666,484	1,296,034
Net sales	2,637,974	3,041,243	13,443,965	10,377,232
Gross profit	1,660,516	1,952,344	8,552,232	6,784,538
Earnings (loss) before taxes	(306,228)	(479,180)	372,315	(794,564)
Income tax benefit	(113,000)	(8,700)	138,000	(103,400)
Net earnings (loss)	$(193,228)	$(470,480)	$234,315	$(691,164)
Earnings (loss) per share	$(.07)	$(.18)	$.07	$(.28)
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,968,235	2,545,124	3,171,454	2,464,398

CONTACT: Ron McClurg of Orthomet, Inc., 612-944-6112

-30- 2208

#90239p9028 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTVALE, NJ (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - North American Ventures, Inc. (NASDAQ: NAVI) announced today organizational changes in its Butler Service Group, Inc. subsidiary. These changes involve headquarters and geographic restructuring as well as allocation of additional resources and enhanced capabilities for customer and field responsiveness.

Butler Service Group announced that as part of the organizational improvement, its Contract Technical Services Division is now regrouped into Eastern, Central and Western Regions. Butler Service Group also announced its Atlanta-based Butler Telecommunicatons Group will relocate its executive operations to Montvale, N.J. to position the company to drive both domestic and international growth efforts. Additionally, headquarters functions were reorganized to provide better support to customer, field and internal operations in the areas of marketing, admnistration, and customer service.

Concurrent with the organizational changes, the company also announced the following promotions: Pat C. Arace to senior vice president - eastern region, Patrick W. Burton to senior vice president - central region, and R. Scott Silver-Hill to senior vice president - western region of its contract technical services division. At the corporate level, Warren F. Brecht was promoted to senior vice president - administration and investor relations and Robert F. Murphy to vice president - special projects.

Edward M. Kopko, chairman and CEO of North American Ventures, Inc. and Butler Service Group, Inc. said, "These actions are consistent with our strategic plan which positions the company for growth in the 90's. Concurrent with its move, Butler Telecommunications Group is implementing similar organizational initiatives."

Butler Service Group, Inc. is a leading contract technical services and telecommunications services company with offices throughout the United States, Canada and United Kingdom.

CONTACT: Cathy Taylor of North American Ventures, Inc., 201-573-8000

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#90239p9029 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL SEGUNDO, CALIF. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Runways Magazine is expanding its editorial focus to cover national and regional aviation news, Publisher Larry Birger announced.

The change is effective with the Sept. 10 issue, when the "Southern California" tagline in the masthead will be changed to "Western Region Edition," with further national expansion planned.

"The expansion is in response to a call from readers and advertisers to widen our market coverage," Birger said.

Runways, published bi-weekly in a news tabloid format, provides concise information essential to managers of national and regional airlines, corporate aviation, airports, airframe and aerospace manufacturers and

their suppliers.

Owned by Knight-Ridder, Inc., (NYSE: KRI) one of the nation's largest communications companies with operations in newspaper publishing, business information services and cable television, Runways has a circulation of more than 33,000 readers.

CONTACT: Larry Birger of Runways Publications, Inc., 213-643-8108

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#90239p9031 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Todd C. Walker has been elected president of K-Bin Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Shintech Incorporated, according to Chihiro Kanagawa, president and chief executive officer of Houston-based Shintech.

Founded in 1986, K-Bin produces uniform, high-quality, rigid PVC compounds made from Shintech's high-purity resins. The company has just announced a multi-million dollar expansion, at K-Bin's Freeport, Texas plant. To go onstream in the summer of 1991, the expansion will boost production 500 percent, to more than 100 million pounds per year.

Most recently a consultant in the plastics/chemicals industry, Walker formerly held high-level management positions with major U.S. firms: president, Firestone Plastics Co.; vice president and general manager, PVC Resins, Occidental Chemical Corp.; and group vice president, PVC Resins, Borden Chemical Co.

A chemical engineering graduate of Lafayette College, Walker has served with the Chemical Marketing Association, Society for Plastics Engineering, Society for the Plastics Industry, The Vinyl Institute, and other major industry groups.

Walker and his family live in Boston.

CONTACT: Todd Walker of K-Bin, 508-779-6184, or Gray Weaver of Weaver Communications, 315-682-5280, for K-Bin

-30- 1446

#90239p9032 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Chihiro Kanagawa, president and chief executive officer of Shintech Incorporated today announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, K-Bin Inc., has begun a multimillion-dollar expansion of rigid PVC compounds at K-Bin's Freeport, Texas, manufacturing facility.

This major expansion, to be onstream by summer 1991, will increase K-Bin's

capacity to more than 100-million pounds per year of rigid PVC compounds.

Since initial startup four years ago at a level of 20-million pounds, K-Bin has become recognized throughout the industry for its reliability as a company and for the consistent quality and uniformity of its products.

K-Bin President Todd C. Walker stated, "We'll be producing our rigid PVC compounds as clear and opaque pellets and/or dry-blended powders. This will enhance the company's presence substantially in markets for molded bottles and fittings as well as for extruded films and profile extrusions."

CONTACT: Todd Walker of K-Bin, 508-779-6184, or M. Miyajima of Shintech, 713-965-0713, or Gray Weaver of Weaver Communications, 315-682-5280, for Shintech

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#90239p9035 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Samson Energy Co. Ltd. Partnership (AMEX: SAM) announced the successful completion of a natural gas producing well. The Noblin 2-12 is a development well located in Section 12-7N-18E in Pittsburg County, Okla. The Noblin 2-12 tested flowing at a rate of 1,150,000 cubic feet of natural gas per day in the Middle Atoka Formation with a flowing tubing pressure of 65 psi. This well was drilled to a total depth of 3,622 feet.

The Noblin 2-12 is expected to be connected to a natural gas pipeline by Oct. 1, 1990. Samson Energy Co. Ltd. Partnership holds a 7.04 percent working interest in this well with the remainder interest held by other Samson affiliates and other parties. Samson Resources Co., an affiliate of Samson Energy Co., is the well operator.

Samson Energy Co. is a publicly traded master limited partnership whose principal business activities include the development and operation of oil and gas properties and the acquisition of additional producing properties. Depositary receipts evidencing units are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "SAM."

CONTACT: Dennis R. Neill of Samson Properties Inc., 918-583-1791.

-30- 1380

#90239p9038 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Samson Energy Co. Ltd. Partnership (AMEX: SAM) today announced the successful completion of a natural gas producing well. The Kilpatrick No. 2-29 is a development well located in Section 29-6N-19E in Latimer County, Okla.

The Kilpatrick No. 2-29 tested flowing at a rate of 2,550,000 cubic feet of natural gas per day in the Basal Atoka Formation with a flowing tubing pressure of 257 psi and from the Cromwell Formation, this well testing flowing at a rate of 362,000 cubic feet of natural gas per day with a flowing tubing pressure of 10 psi. This well was drilled to a total depth of 12,150 feet.

The Kilpatrick No. 2-29 is expected to be connected to a natural gas pipeline by Nov. 1, 1990. Samson Energy Co. Ltd. Partnership holds a 3.67 percent working interest in this well with the remainder interest held by other Samson affiliates and other parties. Samson Resources Co., an affiliate of Samson Energy Co., is the well operator.

Samson Energy Co. is a publicly traded master limited partnership whose principal business activities include the development and operation of oil and gas properties and the acquisition of additional producing properties. Depositary receipts evidencing units are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol SAM.

CONTACT: Dennis R. Neill of Samson Properties Inc., (918) 583-1791.

-30- 1563

#90239p9047 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Orthomet, Inc. (NASDAQ: OMET) today announced that it has reached an agreement with Century Medical Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of C. Itoh & Company, Ltd. of Tokyo, Japan, to distribute Orthomet's total hip and total knee products in the Japanese market.

C. Itoh & Co., Ltd., is a large multi-national company with revenues in excess of $130 billion. C. Itoh & Co., Ltd. has 190 offices in 87 nations and over 10,000 employees located throughout the world.

Orthomet's total hip and knee products are now being registered with the Japanese Ministry of Health and Welfare. This process is expected to be completed during the first quarter of calender 1991. The initial order is anticipated to be in excess of $600,000.

Orthomet, Inc. is in the business of designing, manufacturing, and marketing selected orthopedic products, primarily reconstructive knee and hip implants and related surgical instrumentation. Orthomet is traded on the NASDAQ national over-the-counter market under the symbol "OMET."

CONTACT: Ron McClurg of Orthomet, 612-944-6112.

-30- 1289

#90239p9048 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINSTON-SALEM, NC (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Health Equity Properties (NYSE: EQP) announced today that on August 22, 1990, the company completed the private placement of $19 million of its 14 percent Senior Subordinated Convertible Redeemable Debentures due 2000. Net proceeds from the offering will be used primarily to pay down a portion of the Company's bank debt which was incurred in acquiring certain of the company's properties.

Traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol EQPA.A., the debentures are convertible at any time prior to maturity into the Company's Common Stock at a price of $5.50 per share, subject to adjustment. The Company's Common Stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol EQP.

The Company was represented by County NatWest Securities, U.S.A., a subsidiary of National Westminster P.L.C. in the placement of the debentures. The Company's legal counsel is House & Blanco, P.A., a Winston-Salem based law firm.

Health Equity Properties, a real estate investment trust, is based in Winston-Salem, N.C. The Company owns 76 nursing facilities, representing 5,043 beds, in five states -- Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, North Carolina and Tennessee.

CONTACT: Lisbeth C. Evans or Deborah Sams Kecseti of Health Equity Properties, 919-723-7580.

-30- 1485

#90239p9050 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

KINSTON, NC (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Hampton Industries, Inc. (AMEX: HAI) announced that effective midnight, October 28, 1990 the Prepshirt Manufacturing facility in Greenville, N.C. will permanently close. The closing affects approximately 160 employees.

Hampton stated that the apparel industry is experiencing serious economic problems because of the consolidation of its customer base and changes in customer buying patterns. These factors have had a continuing negative impact on Hampton Industries' business.

The company had attempted to maintain a viable plant in Greenville over the past several years by changing the plant's product mix and retraining its employees. However, in order to remain competitive, the company has found it necessary to cut back production and consolidate certain operations.

The company will be working with the North Carolina Employment Security Commission to help outplace the employees affected by this closing.

CONTACT: Martin Camnitz, Executive Vice President, Hampton Industries, Inc., (919) 527-8011.

-30- 1245

#90239p9061 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - CTA Incorporated has been awarded a renewal contract to provide omnibus engineering services to the Naval Weapons Center at China Lake, Calif. The contract, which calls for the company's provision of aircraft-weapons integration engineering support for U.S. Navy attack aircraft, employs over 200 CTA and subcontractor personnel. The contract, which is for one year plus four one-year options, has a total value of $89,700,000.

CTA is an aerospace systems engineering company, specializing in complex information systems in command and control applications. In addition to its work for the U.S. Navy, the company develops simulators and trainers for the U.S. Air Force and major aerospace manufacturers, integrates emergency vehicles for the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and provides engineering services for the U.S. Air Force, NASA, and FAA. CTA is headquartered in Rockville.

CONTACT: Mark Sandson of CTA Incorporated, 619-446-7985

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KALAMAZOO, MICH. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) will meet with state Medicaid program administrators during the next few weeks to discuss a proposal to offer rebates on its prescription products, the company announced today.

Upjohn's proposal would provide a $1.35 rebate for each Medicaid prescription filled with the company's products. The proposal includes both single-source, those covered by patent, and multi-source medications.

In return, Upjohn is seeking uncompromised access for Medicaid recipients to all of its prescription products except Rogaine Topical Solution.

"Pharmaceutical therapy offers the most cost-effective means of treating many diseases, while holding down costs such as surgery and hospitalization," said Theodore Cooper, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of The Upjohn Company. "In some states, Medicaid patients do not have access to pharmaceutical therapy commonly available to the private paying public. The Upjohn Medicaid prescription rebate proposal assures greater public access to the innovative pharmaceutical products that we develop, while offering savings to

Medicaid budgets during a time of increased financial pressures," Cooper said. "We view this proposal as a reflection of Upjohn's commitment to meeting the medical needs of patients while addressing the nation's social and economic needs."

The Upjohn Company is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care products and services, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

CONTACT: John R. Butler of The Upjohn Company, 616-323-6901

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#90239p9063 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - There are too many stores chasing the consumer's disposable income, which is expected to decrease from the levels experienced in the 1980s. This slowdown will result from slower economic growth, a rising tax bite, a declining rate of entry into the work force, and slower household formation, according to the 37th Annual Retail Study of Harris Bank, Chicago.

The study states, "Market share will only be won at the expense of the competition, and the gap between winners and losers will widen at an accelerating rate. Some industry observers predict that as many as 50 percent of existing retailers will no longer be in business by the end of the decade. A finely honed identity and a keen understanding of the consumer will be fundamental to success."

The bank's study reviews the fiscal 1989 financial performance of seven department stores, eight mass merchandisers, 12 specialty non-apparel store chains, 15 specialty apparel store chains and 12 closely held retailers.

Aggregate sales growth in fiscal 1989 was 9.8 percent for the department stores, 12.1 percent for the mass merchandisers, 13.6 percent for the specialty non-apparel stores and 15.6 percent for specialty apparel stores.

The closely held retailer group, comprised of middle market companies ranging in asset size from $4 million to $500 million, enjoyed a successful 1989, with sales up 12.3 percent, primarily as a result of store expansions. Comparable store sales remained flat or below expectations.

Finding reliable, experienced sales personnel to meet service demands will be a challenge, Elizabeth Gilliam, Harris assistant vice president and retailing specialist, said in commenting on the study. Retailers will be forced to pay more attention to work incentives and benefits in order to

attract and retain employees that can meet customer needs, "an expensive proposition in this people-intensive industry," she noted. Other trends noted in the study include:

- Retailers will face more opportunities as well as more competition as global barriers fall. The incentive to conquer new, faster-growing markets abroad will be strong given waning domestic growth.

- Quick Response, a computer-driven strategy that can cut delivery times and pare inventories, is on the rise. The strategy is based on a demand-driven distribution chain, wherein products are replenished or removed from the mix based on data gathered at the point of sale. Orders are just large enough to avoid stock-outs and ensure consistent service.

CONTACT: Irene Currie of Harris Bank, (312) 461-7865.

-30- 2820

#90239p9065 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLESTON, WV (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Key Centurion Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: KEYC), West Virginia's largest bank holding company, at its Aug. 27, 1990, monthly meeting, declared a quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share, it was announced today. The dividend will be paid on Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 12, 1990.

Key Centurion, with $2.4 billion in assets, previously announced definitive merger agreements with the boards of Southern Bankshares Inc. and Spectrum Financial Corp.

Southern is a $300 million-asset, two-bank holding company located in Beckley, Raleigh County, and Oak Hill, in adjacent Fayette County, W.Va. Spectrum is also a two-bank holding company located in Wheeling, Ohio County, and New Martinsville, Wetzel County, W.Va., with $264 million in assets.

Southern and Spectrum are West Virginia's 12th and 14th largest bank holding companies based on year-end 1989 results. On a combined pro forma basis, Key Centurion would approach $3 billion in commercial bank assets and $1.3 billion in discretionary trust assets and almost $2 billion in total trust assets with the completion of these two proposed mergers.

Key Centurion has banking subsidiaries with 46 offices in West Virginia and Kentucky, operating as: Cardinal State Bank, NA, Beckley; The Central National Bank of Buckhannon, Buckhannon; Charleston National Bank, Charleston; Union National Bank of West Virginia, Clarksburg; The First Huntington National Bank, Huntington; The Lincoln National Bank of Hamlin, Hamlin; The National Bank of Logan, Logan; Boone National Bank, Madison;

First National Bank in Philippi, Philippi; Citizens National of Point Pleasant, Point Pleasant; Citizens National Bank of St. Albans, St. Albans; Nicholas County Bank, Summersville; Wayne County Bank, Wayne; The National Bank of Commerce of Williamson, Williamson, all in West Virginia, and First National Bank of Pikeville, Pikeville, Kentucky; and Reliable Mortgage Co. with 11 offices in West Virginia, Maryland, and Ohio.

CONTACT: Larry A. Stark of Key Centurion Bancshares, (304) 526-4337, or home at (304) 529-3624.

-30- 2364

#90239p9067 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NAPERVILLE, ILL. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Nalco Chemical Co. (NYSE: NLC) announced today that the directors authorized the repurchase of another 1 million shares of Nalco common stock in addition to the 4 million shares authorized in 1989.

The shares may be purchased from time to time in the open market, through block or privately negotiated transactions or otherwise. Nalco has repurchased approximately 3.8 million shares of the 4 million shares authorized for repurchase in May 1989.

The company has approximately 34.9 million shares of common stock outstanding as well as approximately 416,000 shares of Series B ESOP convertible preferred stock (each of which was initially convertible into 10 shares of common stock).

CONTACT: Charles Goding of Nalco Chemical Co., 708-305-1276

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#90239p9069 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Francois E. de Carbonnel has been appointed president and chief executive officer of GE Capital Europe.

In his new position, de Carbonnel's principal responsibility will be to develop venture, acquisition, and start-up opportunities for GE Capital in Europe. He will also counsel other GE financial services businesses in Europe and coordinate their activities.

De Carbonnel previously served as president of Strategic Planning Associates Inc., a management consulting firm headquartered in Washington, D.C. which he joined in 1981. In this position, he led assignments for clients in several industries, including: insurance and financial services automotive producers and suppliers, retailing and distribution, aviation, aluminum and specialty steel, and various stages of the textile, food and agricultural equipment industries.

Prior to joining SPA, de Carbonnel was vice president and director of the Boston Consulting Group in Boston and Paris. He was also the office administrator in BCG's Chicago office from 1979 until 1981.

De Carbonnel, who has authored several papers and books on strategy, received his master's of science degree from the Graduate School of Industrial Administration of Carnegie-Mellon University in 1972. He was also awarded an engineering degree in economics from Ecole Centrale de Lyon and a master's degree in economics from Universite de Lyon.

GE Capital, headquartered in Stamford, is one of the nation's largest diversified financial services companies with assets of $58.7 billion.

CONTACT: Lisa Van Orden of GE Capital, 203-357-4346.

-30- 1816

#90239p9070 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MISS. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - First Mississippi Corporation (NYSE: FRM) announced today a quarterly cash dividend of $.075 per share on common stock, payable Oct. 25, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business Sept. 10, 1990.

This dividend is unchanged from the previous quarter. Sept. 10, 1990 also has been set as the record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the company's annual meeting of stockholders. The annual meeting will be held at 2 p.m., Nov. 8, 1990 at Dennery's, 330 Greymont Ave., Jackson, Miss.

First Mississippi Corporation, headquartered in Jackson, is a resource and technology company with established operations in chemicals, fertilizer, energy and gold and emerging operations in technology.

CONTACT: Jim McArthur of First Mississippi, 601-948-7550, or Ron Como & Associates, 212-227-3010, for First Mississippi

-30- 1055

#90239p9078 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

LINDENHURST, N.Y. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard E. Smith, chairman of Steve's Homemade Ice Cream, Inc. (NASDAQ: STVEA), announced today that Steve's acquired a majority interest in American Glace, Inc., the owner of American Glace, fat free, cholesterol free, low-calorie frozen dessert products. The American Glace soft-serve product has only 12 calories per ounce, and competes directly with frozen yogurt products that typically contain approximately twice as many calories. American Glace has gained wide distribution for its soft-serve product, which is the first of its type to be marketed in metropolitan New York, and has recently introduced

a hard-pack product in pints for distribution to supermarkets and convenience stores.

Steve's intends to increase the distribution of both products nationwide, through its franchised retail outlets and its wholesale distribution network. Smith stated "American Glace has proven appeal to consumers in the fastest growing segment of the frozen dessert industry. By acquiring American Glace, we build on the position we established with Steve's Gourmet Light as a leader in the marketing of healthier frozen desserts that combine reduced fat and calories with the super premium taste for which Steve's is known."

Steve's Homemade Ice Cream, Inc. markets Steve's Super Premium Ice Cream, Steve's Gourmet Light, Swensen's Ice Cream and Heidi's Frozen Yogurt in 36 states and the District of Columbia and franchises and licenses more than 450 ice cream shops and family restaurants in the United States and 16 foreign countries.

CONTACT: Gary P. Stevens, president of Steve's Homemade Ice Cream, 516-884-5656, or Peter Godoff, president of American Glace, 212-627-3200

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#90239p9081 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEXINGTON, KY (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Kentucky Central Life Insurance Company (NASDAQ: KENCA) has declared a semi-annual cash dividend of 20 cents per share, payable September 28th to shareholders of record of September 13th.

The annoucement was made by the board of directors of the Lexington-based insurer, which begins its 88th year of business next month.

The indicated annual dividend rate of 40 cents per share is the same as paid in 1989.

This is the 72nd year in which Kentucky Central Life has paid cash dividends.

CONTACT: Brent A. Clay, Vice President of Kentucky Central Life Insurance Company, 606-253-5271

-30- 814

#90239p9082 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Manufacturers National Corporation (OTC: MNTL) today announced it will consolidate its banks in Ann Arbor, Grand Rapids, and Lansing into Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit.

The consolidation will enable the corporation to enhance its service by offering all of its products throughout Michigan on a more uniform basis, and by increasing operating efficiencies. When completed in 1991, the consolidation will allow customers of all four banks to use any Manufacturers branch in Michigan.

The consolidation is expected to take 12 to 18 months to complete. The three banks will operate as divisions of the Community Banking Departments of Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit. At the completion of the consolidation, Manufacturers will operate one bank in Michigan.

In Ann Arbor, Manufacturers National Bank of Ann Arbor becomes a division of Manufacturers Bank's Community Banking Department-West (CBD-West). Thomas A. Collins, chairman of the Ann Arbor bank, is also first vice president with responsibility for CBD-West. Kenneth K. (Kris) Heinzman is president and chief executive officer of the Ann Arbor bank.

In Grand Rapids, Manufacturers National Bank of Grand Rapids becomes a division of CBD-Northwest, headed by Paul E. Ellis, first vice president. Don B. Dean remains president of the bank.

In Lansing, Manufacturers Bank of Lansing also becomes part of CBD-Northwest. Joseph A. Frauenheim is chairman of the Lansing bank, and Mr. Ellis is president and chief executive officer.

Manufacturers National Corporation is a regional bank holding company headquartered in Detroit. In addition to the banks in Michigan, the corporation also operates banks in the metropolitan Chicago area through its subsidiary, Affiliated Banc Group, Inc., and other financial subsidiaries in Delaware, Florida, Illinois and Michigan. Manufacturers reported total assets of $11.2 billion at June 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Michael T. Maurer, (313) 222-4732, or Sharon R. McMurray, (313) 222-4881, both of Manufacturers National Corporation.

-30- 2266

#90239p9083 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Soaring electric demand today drove Consumers Power Company to its highest hourly electric peak for 1990, 5,643 megawatts, on a preliminary basis, for the hour ending at 1 p.m. The previous 1990 hourly peak was 5,539 megawatts, set July 9, 1990.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, 517-788-2396

-30- 756

#90239p9085 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST CALDWELL, N.J. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrimac Industries, Inc. (AMEX: MRM) announced today that its board of directors had authorized the purchase from time to time of up to 200,000 of the company's common shares in the open market and in privately negotiated transactions as market conditions and other circumstances justify. The company believes that at current prices the company's shares represent an attractive investment opportunity.

The board of directors has also formed a special committee to evaluate the feasibility of the formation of an employee stock ownership plan which, were it to be created, could be expected to purchase a substantial portion of the company's outstanding common shares. There can be no assurance that the ESOP will be formed or, if so, when or how many shares it might seek to purchase and at what prices.

Merrimac Industries, Inc., designs, manufactures and markets high performance mixers and passive components for telecommunications, defense and aerospace.

CONTACT: Paul Terranova, chairman and chief executive officer of Merrimac Industries, 201-575-1300

-30- 1295

#90239p9089 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Great American Management and Investment, Inc., (NASDAQ: GAMI) announced today that the company had declared a cash dividend on Aug. 24, 1990, payable Aug. 29, 1990, in an amount of $.8359 per share of common stock to all holders of common stock other than Equity Holdings Limited, an Illinois limited partnership, the company's largest shareholder.

The record date for the dividend is Aug. 24, 1990, and the ex date is Aug. 28, 1990. The outstanding shares of Firstate Financial A Savings Bank, the company's thrift subsidiary located in Orlando, Fla., will be distributed by the company to Equity Holding Limited as a dividend paid in property concurrently with the payment of the cash dividend to all other shareholders.

CONTACT: Susan Obuchowski, 312-454-0100, for Great American Management and Investment.

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#90239p9090 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Spencer H. Wright, chairman and chief executive officer of First Chattanooga Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: FCHT), and James. L. Greene, chairman and chief executive officer of BMR Financial Group Inc. (NASDAQ: BMRG), announced jointly today that an agreement in principle has been reached to terminate the agreement and plan of reorganization by which BMRG would have acquired all of the outstanding common stock of FCHT.

The two executives noted that current uncertainty and instability in financial markets have made prospects for the acquisition less promising and that the parties had decided that termination of the transaction is in the best interests of each of the companies and its respective shareholders.

Wright also announced that FCHT's board of directors had authorized an increase in its stock repurchase program to $4 million from $1.5 million. As previously announced, FCHT intends to make open market purchases of its stock as market conditions may permit.

CONTACT: Douglas G. Greene, chief financial officer of BMR Financial Group (404) 934-9994, or Bert L. Hicks, investor relations of First Chattanooga Financial, (615) 752-1505.

-30- 1374
#90239p9108 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - AirTran Corporation (NASDAQ: ATCC) announced the declaration on Aug. 8, 1990, of a $0.04 per share cash dividend to be paid on AirTran's common stock with respect to the quarter ended June 30, 1990. The record date for determining holders of common stock entitled to receive the dividend is Aug. 24, 1990. AirTran anticipates payment of the dividend on or about Sept. 6, 1990.

AirTran is the parent company of Mesaba Aviation, Inc., a regional airline which provides connecting airline service as Northwest Airlink under a marketing agreement with Northwest Airlines. Mesaba currently serves 35 airports in 10 states to the hub cities of Minneapolis/St. Paul, Detroit and Milwaukee.

As of Aug. 27, 1990, there were approximately 3.6 million shares of common stock outstanding. AirTran has paid a quarterly dividend on its stock since 1987.

AirTran's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ATCC.

CONTACT: Kenneth P. Bronson of AirTran Corporation, 612-726-5151, ext. 371.

-30- 1243

#90239p9110 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Hicks, Muse & Co. today completed the previously announced acquisition of two media service companies, Neodata Services and TMI Corporation, in transactions valued at $106 million. Hicks, Muse will combine TMI with Neodata to form a single media service company, Neodata Holdings, Inc.

Hicks, Muse acquired Neodata from The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation. Based in Boulder, Colo., Neodata is the largest independent magazine fulfillment company in the world with revenues of approximately $80 million.

TMI is located in Dallas. The company has annual revenues of about $28 million and provides services for database management, direct mail, telemarketing and information management.

Hicks, Muse is a Dallas-based private investment firm specializing in leveraged acquisitions. The principals of Hicks, Muse, Thomas O. Hicks, John R. Muse and Jack D. Furst, have completed in excess of $5 billion of acquisition transactions since 1984.

The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation is the world's largest marketer of business information and related services, with worldwide operating revenues of $4.3 billion in 1989.

CONTACT: Pamela Thompson or Steven Bruce of The Abernathy/MacGregor Group, 212-371-5999, for Hicks, Muse

-30- 1446

#90239p9112 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TX (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Tracor Applied Sciences Inc., a subsidiary of Tracor, has received a $6.1 million contract with options to increase the value of the contract to $20.1 million to provide engineering and technical services to support U.S. Navy Identification Systems and Programs from the Navy Electronic Systems Engineering Activity (NESEA), St. Inigoes, Md.

K. Bruce Hamilton, group vice president of Tracor Applied Sciences, said, "Tracor will provide the engineering and technical disciplines necessary to support NESEA in systems performance management, interface analysis, test planning, integration and installation, laboratory and field testing, data reduction, and equipment maintenance."

Tracor has provided engineering and technical support for Identification Friend or Foe (IFF) systems and programs since 1973. Hamilton said the 13-1/2 month contract will be performed by the Tracor Applied Sciences' Electronics Systems Division under the direction of William H. Shonk, division vice president, from its operations in St. Mary's County, Md.; Chesapeake, Va.; and San Diego, Calif.

Tracor, owned by privately held Westmark Systems Inc., is an international technological products and services company with headquarters in Austin, Texas. The company is a leader in the development and production of electronic countermeasures systems and other advanced defense electronics; a significant engineering and support contractor in sonar, communications, and aviation; and a major manufacturer of electrical components.

CONTACT: Marian Kelley of Tracor, (512) 929-2273.

-30- 1793

#90239p9114 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of South American Goldfields Inc. (''South American'') wish to announce that the company has entered into agreements with Ivanhoe Capital Corporation (''Ivanhoe'') which will lead to the establishment of South American as the financial and senior joint venture partner in the exploration and development of the Mazaruni Diamond Concessions of Golden Star Resources Ltd. (''Golden Star'') in Guyana, South America. In addition, the funding agreement with Ivanhoe will enable the company to meet its obligation under its joint ventures relating to seven different gold concessions in Guyana with Denison Mines Limited and Homestake International Minerals, as well as provide funding for additional acquisitions.

The $4,000,000 (CDN) funding, which is subject to regulatory and shareholder approval, is to be made through a subscription for a $2,000,000 (CDN) convertible debenture in South American wherein Ivanhoe will have the right to acquire, upon conversion, 10,000,000 common shares of the company at a price of $0.20 together with warrants to acquire an additional 10,000,000 shares for an additional sum of $2,000,000 (CDN). Ivanhoe will also purchase approximately 2,000,000 shares of the company from current insiders.

On closing of the funding transaction, Ivanhoe will assign to South American its interest in an agreement with Golden Star. Under the Golden Star agreement, South American will advance $1,000,000 (CDN) to Golden Star secured by a debenture convertible into Golden Star common shares at $1.00 per share. The convertible debenture will be accomplished by warrants to acquire a further 1,000,000 common shares of Golden Star at $1.00 per share.

The funds will be used by Golden Star to advance an economic evaluation and feasibility study of the Mazaruni Diamond deposits in Guyana. South American will also have the right to earn a 65 percent direct interest in the Mazaruni Diamond Project by providing a further $2,000.000 (CDN) of funding to the joint venture.

Ivanhoe Capital Corporation is a private Canadian capital management organization controlled by Robert M. Friedland. Ivanhoe has world-wide exploration interest and holds the control block of Fairbanks Gold Ltd. Upon closing of the transaction, the board of directors of South American will be increased to 10 members of which 8 will be Ivanhoe nominees. J. Alan Spence the current president of South American and Tor Jensen, the current vice president, will remain on the board and will be active in senior management.

CONTACT: J. Alan Spence, President of South American Goldfields Inc.; 416-363-1640, or Harris Saxon, Executive VP of Ivanhoe Capital Corp., 604-640-6714

-30- 2937

#90239p9116 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - On Aug. 23, 1990, Capital Realty Group Properties Inc. (CRG) was ordered to immediately cease all efforts to send proxy materials to unitholders of six real estate limited partnerships having Consolidated Capital Equities Corporation (CCEC) as managing general partner. These six partnerships are Consolidated Capital Properties, Consolidated Capital Properties II, Consolidated Capital Properties III, Consolidated Capital Properties IV, Consolidated Capital Properties V, and Consolidated Capital Properties IV.

The U.S. District Court in San Francisco issued that order in response to the partnerships' complaint which alleged that the information being used by CRG with respect to the removal of CCEC as managing general partner of these six partnerships was false and misleading. The Court stated that "serious questions were raised...that there is a possibility of irreparable injury" if CRG's solicitation efforts were allowed to continue.

The Court's order restraining CRG's solicitation will remain in effect until Sept. 10, 1990, when a hearing is scheduled to determine whether a preliminary injunction should be issued. The Court also ordered that all ballots submitted by the unit holders of the affected partnerships be sealed pending that determination.

CONTACT: Terry L. Proveaux of Capital Realty Group Properties Inc., 214-702-3200

-30- 1557
#90239p9120 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Danaher Corporation (NYSE: DHR) announced today that George Koenigsaecker, 45, has been appointed to the position of group executive.

"It is with great pleasure that we appoint George Koenigsaecker to a group executive position," said George Sherman, president and chief executive officer. "George has an extensive cross functional background and an excellent performance track record as president - Jacobs Vehicle Equipment Operation. Jacobs realized substantial gains in productivity, quality, customer service and inventory turnover under George's leadership. George was in the forefront in the implementation of our 'Just-In-Time' methods to increase quality and achieve worldwide cost leadership. In his new role George will assume responsibility for Fayette Tubular Products in addition to Jacobs Vehicle Equipment Operation and he will assume a broader role in the implementation of our Just-In-Time program at the corporate level."

Prior to joining Danaher in 1985, George spent six years with Rockwell International which followed 13 years experience at John Deere. George received his B.A. degree from Augustana College in Illinois and his M.B.A. from Harvard University.

Danaher Corporation is a leading manufacturer of Hand Tools, Process/Environmental Controls and Transportation Products.

CONTACT: Patrick W. Allender, chief financial officer of Danaher Corporation, 202-828-0850.

-30- 1628
#90239p9124 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Orion Capital Corporation (NYSE: OC) reported today that the executive committee of its board of directors had authorized an additional $2 million for repurchases of the company's common or preferred stocks.

As disclosed in the company's Form 10-Q report for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, the remaining amount from prior repurchase authorizations was $398,000 at that date. Substantially all of this remaining amount has been utilized during the current quarter for repurchases of common stock.

Orion Capital is engaged in the specialty property and casualty insurance business through various wholly owned insurance subsidiaries.

CONTACT: Vincent T. Papa of Orion Capital, 212-541-4646, or Robert D. Siegfried of Kekst, 212-593-2655, for Orion Capital

-30- 963
#90239p9131 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
ANNAPOLIS, MD. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Second National Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: SNFS) entered Chester County today with the opening of its 40th branch located at 229 West Lancaster Ave., Devon, Pa., a Philadelphia suburb.

"Our move into Pennsylvania in 1989 has proved to be a successful one. By opening a third branch in the Philadelphia region, we can better attract deposits which, in turn, are used to fund residential mortgages -- our major asset," said Henry A. Berliner Jr., president and chief executive officer.

Alan C. "Cliff" Thompson, assistant vice president, will manage the office. Thompson was formerly with Fidelity Bank for 26 years where he was assistant vice president and branch manager.

Second National now has a branch network of 40 banking offices and 11 mortgage production offices in Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia and the District of Columbia.

CONTACT: Gayle H. Williams of Second National Federal Savings Bank, 301-266-9200 ext. 269

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#90239p9133 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
ANNAPOLIS, MD (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Second National Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: SNFS) entered Chester County today with the opening of its 40th branch located at 229 West Lancaster Ave., Devon, Pa., a Philadelphia suburb.

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CONTACT: Gayle H. Williams of Second National Federal Savings Bank, (301) 266-9200 ext. 269.

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#90239p9141 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNRISE, FLA. (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Jan Bell Marketing, Inc. (AMEX: JBM) announced today that its board of directors has authorized a stock repurchase plan whereby the company may purchase, from time to time, up to 10 percent of its outstanding common shares. The company presently has 22.6 million shares outstanding.

Jan Bell is a leading provider of fine jewelry to the value- conscious consumer through power-format marketing programs to distribution channels that emphasize quality, credibility and consistent value.

CONTACT: Rosemary B. Trudeau, vice president-finance of Jan Bell Marketing, 305-846-2798, or Jay M. Green, 212-661-8030, or Kathy Waller, 312-266-7800, both of the Financial Relations Board, for Jan Bell Marketing

-30- 904

#90239p9143 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Today's heat and humidity resulted in Detroit Edison's highest customer electrical demand this year.

The utility registered a 1990 peak demand of 8,695,000 kilowatts in the hour ending at 3 p.m.

The previous peak for the year was 8,062,000 kW set on July 18. Detroit Edison's all-time peak record is 9,133,000 kW set on Aug. 2, 1988.

CONTACT: Lorie N. Kessler, 313-237-8807, or Martin L. Bufalini II, 313-237-8808, both of Detroit Edison

-30- 634

#90239p9148 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Prime Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PSAB) recorded "another prime performance" in the release today of the fourth quarter and annual income figures for the period ended June 30, 1990.

Earnings for the fourth quarter 1990 were $924,000 compared to $767,000 for 1989 representing a 20.5 percent increase. 1990 annual earnings were $3,360,000, almost parallel to 1989 earnings of $3,429,000.

The annual earnings, however, mask some substantial improvements, the company said. 1990's core earnings were stronger, led by a $2.1 million (20.9 percent) gain in net interest income. Prime now has a 4 percent net interest margin. Net income before taxes moved from $5.6 million in 1989 to $6.2 million in 1990. Final earnings after taxes were negatively impacted by the Pennsylvania Thrift Tax on net income, but overall more sustainable core earnings grew strongly. Prime's return on average assets at 1.02 percent and return on average equity of 9.28 percent place Prime near the top of thrifts nationally.

Prime has been rated well in regulatory reviews. In the face of some weakness in the local economy, Prime's credit quality remains good. Non-performing loans were .996 percent of total loans on June 30, 1990.

At June 30, 1990, assets totaled $334,748,000 and deposits $272,915,000. Shareholders' equity increased to $37,294,000 for a book value of $27.73.

Prime Bancorp Inc.'s common stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "PSAB." Its price as of the close of business on Aug. 24, 1990, was $11.13. Prime Bancorp Inc. is headquartered in Philadelphia. Prime Savings Bank, fsb, is a federally chartered savings bank which conducts operations in Philadelphia, Bucks and Montgomery counties through nine full-service offices. The bank's deposits are federally insured by the Savings Association Insurance Fund, a fund administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

PRIME BANCORP INC.

Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition

At June 30	1989	1990
Assets: Cash in banks	$3,806,107	$4,073,498
Interest-bearing deposits	11,503,777	12,104,007
Federal funds sold	100,000	--
Cash and cash equivalents	15,409,884	16,177,505
Investment securities	7,804,872	5,588,261
Mortgage-backed securities	31,077,753	22,203,947
Loans receivable, net	255,590,773	276,192,165
Accrued interest receivable:		
Loans	1,605,653	2,262,551
Mortgage-backed securities	231,267	160,071
Investments and other	186,901	106,108
Real estate owned	67,282	119,076
Land acquired for development and resale	1,861,871	2,201,420
Property and equipment	6,137,408	6,605,332
Other assets	4,296,326	3,131,742
Total assets	324,269,990	334,748,178
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Liabilities:		

Deposits	$270,676,606	$272,914,599
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh	4,000,000	1,900,000
Other borrowed money	8,037,681	17,151,157
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	2,803,815	2,595,374
Other liabilities	3,668,281	2,891,317
Total liabilities	289,186,383	297,452,447
Stockholders' equity: Serial preferred, $1 par value; 5 million shares authorized and unissued	--	--
Common stock, $1 par value; 10 million shares authorized; 1,380,000 and 1,382,913 issued and 1,380,000 and 1,344,913 outstanding	1,380,000	1,382,913
Additional paid-in capital	12,834,887	12,868,038
Retained earnings substantially restricted	20,868,720	23,510,280
Treasury stock (38,000 shares at $12.25)	--	(465,500)
Total stockholders' equity	35,083,607	37,295,731
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	324,269,990	334,748,178

Consolidated Statements of Operations

Three months ended June 30	1989	1990
Interest income:		
Loans receivable	$6,910,410	$7,925,016
Mortgage-backed securities	608,576	511,070
Investment securities	75,885	131,778
Deposits	307,796	168,198
Total interest income	7,902,667	8,736,062
Interest expense:		
Deposits	4,963,195	4,905,047
Short-term borrowings	312,893	331,590
Long-term borrowings	157,248	47,665
Total interest expense	5,433,336	5,284,302
Net interest income	2,469,331	3,451,760
Provision for loan losses	310,258	146,649
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	2,159,073	3,305,111
Other income (expenses): Loan commitment fees and service charges	189,367	167,640
Gain (loss) on sale of:		
Loans	77,365	(31,452)
Mortgage-backed securities	--	11,635
Investments	773	--
Gain on sale of land acquired		

for development and resale	171,902	40,328
Gain on sale of REO	36,895	1,867
Other	169,150	133,693
Total other income (expenses)	645,452	323,711
Other expenses:		
Salaries and employee benefits	839,977	918,636
Occupancy and equipment	285,036	270,886
Data processing	91,848	99,364
Federal insurance premiums	106,782	133,681
Other	431,064	438,084
Total other expenses	1,754,707	1,860,651
Income before income taxes	1,049,818	1,768,171
Income taxes	283,624	843,909
Net income	766,194	924,262
Earnings per share (primary and fully diluted)	$.56	$.67
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	1,380,000	1,378,473
Dividends declared per share	$.10	$.14

12 months ended June 30	1989	1990
Interest income:		
Loans receivable	$26,922,126	$30,141,902
Mortgage-backed securities	2,717,763	2,080,012
Investment securities	628,515	501,735
Deposits	839,671	717,853
Total interest income	31,108,075	33,441,502
Interest expense:		
Deposits	19,921,221	20,222,917
Short-term borrowings	775,794	671,828
Long-term borrowings	223,299	225,576
Total interest expense	20,920,314	21,120,321
Net interest income	10,187,761	12,321,181
Provision for loan losses	460,131	554,117
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	9,727,630	11,767,064
Other income (expenses): Loan commitment fees and service charges	805,893	632,402
Gain (loss) on sale of:		
Loans	63,903	8,334
Mortgage-backed securities	--	(9,847)
Investments	513,828	251,784
Gain on sale of land acquired for development and resale	306,668	390,832
Gain on sale of REO	36,895	8,670
Other	592,280	633,694
Total other income (expenses)	2,337,467	1,915,869
Other expenses:		

Salaries and employee benefits	3,254,185	3,668,497
Occupancy and equipment	940,334	1,096,092
Data processing	365,141	374,045
Federal insurance premiums	533,006	594,632
Other	1,376,314	1,730,543
Total other expenses	6,468,980	7,463,809
Income before income taxes	5,596,117	6,219,124
Income taxes	2,167,503	2,859,037
Net income	3,428,614	3,360,087
Earnings per share (primary and fully diluted)	$1.58	$2.43
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	1,380,000	1,380,243
Dividends declared per share	$.20	$.52

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#90239p9151 08/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Playboy Enterprises, Inc. (NYSE: PLA) announced today that it had negotiated the purchase of 200,000 non-voting Class B Playboy shares (PLA) from Industrial Equity (Pacific) Limited, completing the 200,000-share buy back of Class B stock that the company announced nearly three weeks ago. The company acquired the block of Class B shares for $825,000. Industrial Equity remains the second largest owner of Playboy stock, holding a 7.6 percent voting interest in the company's equity. This transaction does not affect the relative voting interest of any shareholders. Playboy founder Hugh M. Hefner, who owns nearly 71 percent of Playboy stock, has held majority voting control of the company since it went public in 1971.

Playboy Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Christie Hefner, who made the announcement from Los Angeles, stated that the company also plans to extend the buy back program, commencing open market and negotiated purchases of an additional 200,000 shares of the Class B non- voting stock as market conditions warrant.

On June 7, 1990, Playboy completed a recapitalization plan, which created a new class of non-voting stock and increased the authorized number of shares of common stock from 15,000,000 to 37,500,000, consisting of 7,500,000 shares of Class A common stock and 30,000,000 shares of Class B common stock. The two classes of stock have substantially identical rights, including dividend rights, except that the Class A stock has one vote per share and Class B stock is non- voting, (unless such class is entitled to vote as a matter of law).

The recapitalization plan also contains an innovative "Minority

Protection" feature that was designed to help ensure that the two classes of stock trade at approximately equal market prices and to give all holders the opportunity to participate in any premium paid in the future for a significant block of Class A stock by a buyer who has not acquired a proportionate share of the Class B stock. Any person or group who acquires more than 10 percent of the Class A voting stock without owning an equal or greater percentage of the Class B non-voting stock, must, within a 90-day period, offer to acquire Class B shares proportionate to their Class A holdings.

Playboy Enterprises, Inc. is an international publishing and entertainment company that publishes Playboy magazine in 15 countries, newsstand specials, calendars, limited-edition graphics and catalogs; produces and markets programming for domestic and international television and home video; and licenses Playboy and other trademarks for consumer goods around the world. Two classes of common stock are listed on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges, a Class A voting stock (PLA A) and Class B non-voting stock (PLA).

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#90239u0082 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AUG. 27) UPI - Alaskans go to the polls Tuesday to decide whether to legalize gambling and to choose candidates for governor in a race focusing on two Democrats running neck-and-neck in a debate often characterized by environment vs. development issues.

Like most hotly disputed topics in Alaska, Tuesday's primary election comes down to the perennial debate between promoting economic development, especially oil drilling, and protecting the wild Alaska landscape.

Candidates tout their support for drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge while portraying themselves as protectors of the wilderness, supporting environmentally responsible development.

While political rhetoric from the field of would-be governors sounds similar, differences have emerged that have made some candidates the favorite of the pro-development forces, while others are viewed as friendlier to environmental concerns.

Gambling has become one of those issues characterized by economic development vs. preserving the Alaska lifestyle.

Gov. Steve Cowper, a Democrat, decided last year against running for a second four-year term but has played a prominent role against gambling.

Democrats Tony Knowles, a former two-term mayor of Anchorage, and two-term Lt. Gov. Stephen McAlpine are in a tug-of-war where environmental lifestyles and economic development pull at each other.

Most attention has focused on the warring Democrats because moderate Republican state Sen. Arliss Sturgulewski has a comfortable lead over two conservative Republicans, businessman James Campbell and state Sen. Rick Halford.

Knowles, McAlpine and Campbell have been the big spenders, running campaigns costing more than a half-million dollars.

Sturgulewski, defeated by Cowper in 1986, is expected to face the winner of the Knowles-McAlpine battle in the November.

Alaska has an open primary, which means any voter may vote for any candidate regardless of party affiliation.

In a Sunday editorial, the pro-development Anchorage Times, owned by the large oil field service company Veco, urged conservative Republicans to abandon the candidacies of the trailing Republicans in crossover voting for McAlpine - to defeat the liberal Knowles, who is supported by environmentalists and the Anchorage Daily News.

In two polls published Sunday, the Daily News said Knowles had a 5 percentage point lead and the Times said McAlpine had a slight edge.

Knowles, 47, a restaurant owner, was mayor of Alaska's largest city from 1982 through 1987, suffered through financial problems while overseeing construction of a performing arts center and a coastal trial system, which have come to symbolize his ''lifestyle'' candidacy.

McAlpine, 41, a lawyer, has served an uneventful two terms as lieutenant governor after being mayor of Valdez. His pro-development views have won support from labor and the oil industry.

Sturgulewski, 62, a millionaire state senator, has been involved in local and state politics for 27 years.

Campbell, 57, was a hardware store owner who gained prominence as chairman of the state railroad and on the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council.

Halford, 45, a hunting lodge owner, has been in the state legislature for 12 years.

McAlpine is the only candidate who supports the gambling initiative. Other differences also have surfaced among the candidates: Halford is the only

one against abortion; Knowles is the only one against a November ballot measure to recriminalize marijuana; Campbell alone is against surprise state environmental inspections of oil facilities.

Knowles has attacked McAlpine's support of the gambling measure while McAlpine has sought to portray Knowles as soft on drugs.

McAlpine's current boss, Cowper, along with Attorney General Doug Baily, have been leading the fight against gambling, even accusing McAlpine, the state's top election official, of phrasing the ballot initiative in a misleading way.

If approved, the gambling measure ''opens the floodgates to virtually every type of gambling there is,'' Cowper said.

''Casino gambling in Las Vegas in fine and it ought to stay there,'' Cowper said, warning that Alaska ''will be forever changed'' by gambling.

''Alaska has spent a great deal on tourism marketing, emphasizing the state's natural beauty,'' Baily said. ''Although tourists go to Las Vegas to gamble, they come to Alaska for pristine wilderness. The Exxon Valdez oil spill taught us a lesson about how much people value our wilderness. Gambling will hurt this image.''

Baily said gambling would bring crime and corruption to Alaska, but gambling supporter Jeffrey Macktaz said it would bring jobs, money and winter tourism.

''You put slot machines out here at international airport in those two terminals and you'll pay for the airport,'' gambling supporter Bill McConkey said. Referring to Anchorage's role as a refueling stop for flights to and from Asia, he added, ''Those little Japanese guys will sit there and clink that thing until their arms fall off.''

McAlpine said he envisioned a return to historic gambling in Alaska, but Cowper said, ''I don't think there's any way of going back to the old days.''

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#90239u0100 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) UPI - Like winds that sweep across fields, bending the grain into passing waves, the impact of the Persian Gulf crisis is rippling across rural America in the form of higher fuel prices and worries about lost sales.

There were reports of fuel prices rising 40 cents a gallon in the Northwest while Corn Belt farmers, some of them approaching the end of a

rain-soaked growing season, worried about unexpected costs for drying their grain.

In the parched Southeast, the president of the Georgia Agribusiness Council said higher fuel prices could worsen the situation of producers who are pumping water to their crops.

''You start pumping hundreds of thousands of gallons of water a day, and you can go through a tanker of diesel (fuel) in a day,'' said council president Gary Black.

An Agriculture Department official estimated that a $5-a-barrel increase in oil prices could add $900 million a year in farm fuel, fertilizer, pesticide and utility costs, assuming a long-lasting oil-price increase.

''Diesel prices are up 40 cents a gallon from a month ago,'' said Gary Benner, petroleum manager for a farm supplier in the Spokane, Wash., area. ''Where (the farmer) used to spend $7,500 per year, he's now spending $11,000.

''Their reaction is the reaction you and I have to rising gasoline prices - they don't like it.''

Iraq was the 12th largest market for U.S. agricultural exports, buying $800 million in goods during fiscal 1989. Even before the U.S. embargo, sales had been expected to shrink because of curtailment of Iraqi access to export credit guarantees.

Iraq was the No. 1 market for U.S. rice exports, buying 20 percent of them in fiscal 1989 and 302,254 metric tons of U.S. rice in the first eight months of this fiscal year.

''The general attitude is one of exasperation. You just want to grow your hands up,'' said rice grower John Tull of Lonoke, Ark. ''Not only does this take your largest market away and affect our price drastically, but it's going to increase our production costs.''

Rice prices have fallen by about 50 cents per 100 pounds since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2 and precipitated the international embargo. The Agriculture Department has reduced its forecast of exports by 3 percent, to 74 million hundredweight, based on ''additional sales to other markets'' making up for most of the loss of the Iraqi market.

In addition, it has reduced its forecast of rice prices during the coming year by 50 cents per hundredweight. There is a large world rice crop this year.

Iraq played a far less prominent role in other U.S. farm exports. It

accounted for 3 percent of wheat sales and 1 percent of corn sales.

However, the Bush administration was under pressure to protect farmer income against any possible downturn in grain sales and market prices. Farmers are expected to harvest bumper crops of wheat and feed grains this year, with prices expected to fall as a result. Large world crops are projected to put a crimp on export sales.

''The embargo does not have to hurt American grain exports or depress grain prices if the president and the (Agriculture Department) will simply use the tools they have to move farm commodities around the world or into a strategic reserve,'' said Rep. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., whose home state is the No. 1 durum wheat grower.

Dorgan's prescription - putting wheat into long-term storage in the Farmer Owned Reserve, re-stocking the Food Security Wheat Reserve and making heavy use of export subsidy programs - was similar to ideas expressed earlier this month by Wheat Belt congressmen worried about low prices.

Consumers were not expected to feel much of a direct impact from higher farm expenses. Fuel, chemicals and utilities account for 15 percent of farm production costs and farmers get 24 cents out of each dollar spent on food.

The Agriculture Department has forecast food prices will go up 5 percent to 7 percent this year, partly because of double-digit increases for some commodities and the uncertain fuel price outlook.

In addition to the impact on farmers, oil price increases could affect the cost of processing, packaging, shipping and selling food.

In Michigan, state officials said rising fuel prices could cost farmers an additional $3,500 apiece.

In Iowa, dealers reported an upsurge in farmers making advance orders for propane gas, a fuel commonly used in grain drying.

Spring planting was delayed in the central states because of rainy weather. Crop development has lagged because of the late start and continued rainy weather.

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#90239u0106 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

ARCHERY

Leon, Norway - World Field Championships

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Boston at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
New York at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
Texas at California, 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
San Diego at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.

EXHIBITION FOOTBALL

Philadelphia at Indianapolis, 7 p.m.

GOLF

Franklin, Wisconsin - PGA Greater Milwaukee Open
Indianapolis -GTE North Senior Classic

ROLLER SKATING

Colorado Springs, Colo., - U.S. Outdoor Speed Championships

TENNIS

New York - U.S. Open

TRACK AND FIELD

Split, Yugoslavia - European Championships

VOLLEYBALL

China - Women's World Championships

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#90239u0124 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 27) UPI - Bush administration officials say the only point subject to negotiation with Iraq is when Iraqi forces will withdraw from Kuwait. Other international parties attempted Sunday to construct a framework which would bring about talks aimed at defusing the Middle East Crisis.

In Moscow, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze met with his French

counterpart and prepared to receive Egypt's foreign minister to discuss the tense standoff. Shevardnadze announced that Moscow does NOT intend to join a naval blockade of Iraqi commerce, despite approval of a U-N measure allowing forces in the Persian Gulf region to use minimal force to prevent Iraqi shipments.

Jordanian radio reports that King Hussein traveled to Libya to try to gain suppor for a plan that would give Arab countrys a greater role in resolving the situation. Hussein's journey came as the United Nations announced that Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar will meet with Iraq's foregn minister Thursday in the Jordanian capital.

A published report Sunday says Arab-Americans are keeping close tabs on televison coverage of the Middle East crisis. Arab-American activists say T-V coverage of the standoff has been anti-Arab and lacking depth. The head of the Arab-American Anti-Defamation Committee says very few news items have dealt with America's dependence on the region's oil and whether it is necessary for a land war to erupt to resolve the crisis.

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#90239u0125 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - A Portland, Oregon, newspaper reported Sunday that the Bush administration is considering a plan that would slash timber production in the Pacific Northwest by as much as 20 percent. The reported cuts stem from plans to protect the northern spotted owl, which was listed as a threatened species earlier this summer. The U-S Forest Service says the cuts could lead to as many as 25-thousand jobs being lost.

It was all downhill for some 45 well-rounded runners in a weekend trot in Crooked River, Oregon. Participants qualified for the mile-long exercise by having a waistline which surpassed their inseam length by four inches. But race organizers wereN'T too strict about who took part, so long as participants adhered to the code of crossing the finish line en masse. The winning time was said to be slightly more than half an hour.

A publicly funded arts center in Lewiston, New York, has decided to pull the plug on a scheduled performance by a San Francisco artists' group. Artpark decided to cancel the scheduled performance of the Survival Research Laboratory after officials learned that the group intended to burn bibles on stage. A petition signed by western New York artists urged Artpark to reconsider its plans for the September 1st performance.

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(AUG. 27) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

Batting
(Minimum 330 at-bats)
American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	383	91	123	.321
Palmeiro, Tex	466	57	148	.318
Trammell, Det	470	63	149	.317
Brett, KC	443	68	139	.314
Harper, Min	383	52	120	.313
CJames, Cle	415	50	128	.308
Boggs, Bos	487	70	149	.306
JoReed, Bos	461	56	141	.306
Griffey, Sea	494	74	151	.306
Sheffield, Mil.	437	60	133	.304

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	463	90	159	.343
McGee, StL	493	74	166	.337
Magadan, NY	338	56	113	.334
Gwynn, SD	501	68	158	.315
Dawson, Chi	407	53	127	.312
Murray, LA	431	72	134	.311
Grace, Chi	459	55	142	.309
Bonds, Pit	408	87	125	.306
Coleman StL	455	71	138	.303
Mitchell, SF	423	75	128	.303

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 41; Canseco, Oak 35; McGwire, Oak 33; McGriff, Tor 28; Deer, Mil 26.

National League - Bonilla, Pit 30; Sandberg, Chi 29; Strawberry, NY and Mitchell, SF 28; Williams, SF 26; Bonds, Pit 25.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 108; Canseco, Oak 88; McGwire, Oak 86; Gruber, Tor 85; Parker, Mil 82; Sierra, Tex 78.

National League - Williams, SF 97; Carter, SD 96; Bonds, Pit 92; Bonilla, Pit 90; Strawberry, NY 80.

Doubles

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos 41; Puckett and Harper, Min, Brett, KC and Calderon Chi 35; Boggs, Bos 34.

National League - Jefferies, NY and Dykstra, Phi 34; Wallach, Mtl and McGee, StL 32; Johnson, NY and Bonilla, Pit 31.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 16; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos, Johnson, Chi and Pettis, Tex 7.

National League - Duncan, Cin and Coleman, StL 9; Smith, Atl 8; Thompson, StL and Gwynn, SD 7.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 52; Kelly, NY 32; Sax, NY 31; Calderon, Chi and Pettis, Tex 29.

National League - Coleman, Stl 73; Yelding, Hou 49; Bonds, Pit 43; Nixon, Mtl 41; Raines, Mtl and Butler, SF 36.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 91; Fielder, Det 83; Yount, Mil 80; McGriff, Tor 77; Seitzer, KC 76; Griffey, Sea, Puckett, Min, Franco, Tex and Browne, Cle 74.

National League - Bonilla, Pit 97; Sandberg, Chi 92; Dykstra, Phi 90; Bonds, Pit 87; Sabo, Cin 84.

Hits

American League - Griffey, Sea 151; Boggs, Bos and Trammell, Det 149; Palmeiro, Tex and Kelly, NY 148.

National League - McGee, StL 166; Dykstra, Phi 159; Gwynn, SD 158; Sandberg, Chi 150; Alomar, SD 149.

Pitching

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 21; Clemens, Bos 19; Stewart, Oak 17; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 16.

National League - Drabek, Pit and Viola, NY 16;; Martinez, LA 15; Gooden, NY 14; Harkey, Chi and Armstrong and Browning, Cin 12.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 110 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 1.95; Finley, Cal 2.47; Stewart, Oak 2.73; Steib, Tor 2.97; Appier, KC 3.00; Hibbard, Chi 3.01.

National League - Whitson, SD 2.41; Tudor, Stl 2.45; Viola, NY 2.71; De. Martinez, MON, 2.82; Drabek, Pit 2.86.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 189; Witt, Tex 171; Ryan, Tex 170; Hanson, Sea 161; Johnson, Sea 160; Langston, Cal 155.

National League - Martinez, LA 188; Cone, NY 174; Gooden, NY 166; De. Martinez, Mtl and DeLeon, StL 141.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi 43; Eckersley, Oak 39; Jones, Cle 34; Schooler, Sea 30; Olson, Bal 29.

National League - Franco, NY 30; Myers, Cin 25; L.Smith, StL 22; Lefferts, SD 21; Smith, Hou 20.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 8; Morris, Det, Leary, NY, Clemens, Bos, Young, Sea and Brown, Tex 6; Finley, Cal, Saberhagen and Gordon, KC, Witt, Tex 5.

National League - Martinez, LA 8; Smoltz, Atl, Morgan, LA, Maddux, Chi, De.Martinez, Mtl and Viola, NY, Hurst, SD 6; Belcher, LA, Drabek, Pit and Hurst and Whitson, SD 5.

Shutouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 4; Stewart, Oak 3; Eleven pitchers tied with 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3; Thirteen players tied with 2.

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#90239u0241 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

52 Americans have been allowed to leave Iraq after being driven to Turkey in cars. Most of the 52 were wives and children of U-S diplomats stationed in Kuwait. Three other people, all young men, were originally in the group who left Baghdad yesterday. Iraqi officials prevented them from crossing the border.

The Soviet Union says it does NOT plan to take part in the naval blockade against Iraq. Moscow last week backed a U-N resolution authorizing limited force to tighten sanctions against Baghdad. And the Soviets have demanded that Iraq leave Kuwait. But Foreign Minister Shevardnadze says his nation will NOT join the blockade forces.

North America's northernmost Indian tribe, the Gwich'in, hope to stop oil drilling on Arctic land where caribou breed. They are gathering today for a weeklong meeting in Arctic Village, Alaska. The Persian Gulf crisis gives the debate more urgency. The Gwich'ins are scattered over Alaska and Canada.

Tropical storm Gustav developed into a hurricane yesterday, and hurricane warnings were issued in the northeastern Caribbean. Top winds were 80 miles an hour. Last night, the hurricane was 280 miles east of the island of Guadeloupe, moving northwest at nearly nine miles an hour.

Blustery storms lashed the Midwest yesterday. Winds up to 100 miles an hour hit Wisconsin, doing heavy damage in La Crosse. Trees and power lines were blown over in Osseo and Arcadia, Wisconsin. Large hail fell near Minnewaukan, Minnesota... and Isabel, South Dakota.

Soldiers went through houses in black townships near Johannesburg, South Africa, yesterday to enforce new emergency laws. Anything that could be used as a weapon was confiscated, including lead pipes and bicycle spokes. The search was designed to prevent new violence between rival black groups.

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#90239u0245 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - 186 coal miners were killed in central Yugoslavia yesterday in a methane gas explosion. Eight bodies were brought out. 178 other miners were trapped and rescue workers said there was NO chance any survived. It's the worst coal mine accident in Yugoslavia's history.

Thailand's prime minister, Chatichai Choonhavan, shook up his cabinet today in an attempt to recover public support. 20 cabinet members were kicked out or given new jobs. Three non-political experts became ministers. Corruption charges earlier led to two ministers' firing. One was charged with taking bribes.

Observers at an emergency OPEC meeting in Vienna expect a formal conference to be called... one that can increase oil production quotas for the cartel. Only Iraq and Libya are absent from the informal meeting. Oil flowing to the world has been severely cut by the U-N embargo against Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil.

The Lundberg Survey says retail gasoline prices have gone up about a nickel a gallon in the past two weeks. But wholesale prices rose even faster- nine cents- and retailers' profits were actually cut. Trilby Lundberg, director of the survey, says prices could move either way in coming weeks.

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#90239u0256 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AUG. 27) UPI - Hundreds of U.S. tanks carried by ship neared Saudi Arabia as the largest American military logistical operation since World War II proceeded on schedule in the Persian Gulf, the mission commander said.

The M-1 Abrams tanks, named for a U.S. commander in Vietnam, will be the crucial backbone of U.S. ground forces now assembling to confront Iraq.

Maj. Gen. William Pagonis, who has the daunting task of ushering in the enormous quantities of men and materiel coming to the desert kingdom, told a news conference Sunday that essentials for a combat force had been delivered and the key task now was sustaining the troops.

''We have got everybody to the right place and all the cargo to the right place,'' he said. ''Our combat power is growing rapidly, and we are ready to sustain it for as long as necessary.''

He said the military foundation had been laid by hundreds of air sorties, still being flown at the rate of about 50 a day, and five cargo ships from a pre-positioned maritime force in the region.

The vessels, which had been stationed at the Indian Ocean base of Diego Garcia in case of a Middle East crisis, are delivering enough armor and equipment to sustain a full Marine brigade for 30 days.

Pagonis said the next stage of the deployment would be the arrival of ships bearing an estimated 300 M-1 Abrams main battle tanks, America's top-range heavy armor and a vital attack weapon should U.S., Saudi and Arab forces move against the Iraqi armies stationed in occupied Kuwait.

The tank is named for the late Gen. Creighton W. Abrams, a legendary World War II tank fighter under Gen. George S. Patton who later commanded U.S. military forces in the Vietnam War.

''Right now, they are due in the next few days,'' Pagonis said.

Troops from the 24th Mechanized Infantry Division have been streaming to Saudi Arabia to man the armor when it arrives.

The M-1 is viewed by analysts as overwhelmingly superior to Iraq's Soviet-supplied T-72s, and its employment would allow American forces to take the offensive and actually occupy ground they expect would be yielded by Iraqi troops hit by U.S. airpower and naval barrages.

More than 40,000 U.S. ground troops are estimated to be in Saudi Arabia, and many have been deployed to defend the main port of Jubail, north of Dhahran and about 130 miles south of Kuwait.

Pagonis bestowed accolades on the American military personnel in the desert, who he said had performed ''miracles'' by dealing with a myriad of challenges since Operation Desert Shield began full-scale Aug.8.

''It is probably the largest logistical exercise ever accomplished in the shortest period of time since World War II,'' he said.

Pagonis said the military always kept a 30-day backup of essential supplies, but this could be extended. His units had originally been working 36-hour shifts with four hours sleep, but this was now scaled back to 22 hours, with four hours sleep, he said.

The commander said forward troops were being sustained by ration packs, but about 80 to 90 percent of the food, great quantities of bottled water and certain fuels were being provided by Saudi Arabia.

''The Saudis have cut through any bureaucratic problems very swiftly,'' he said. ''There has been no squabbling or holding back. Even the United States would have a few problems dropping such a number of soldiers, for example, in New Jersey.''

The general also predicted that the Iraqi forces, estimated to number about 170,000 in Kuwait, had equally difficult tasks.

''They have to sustain their forces forward. Kuwait will only be able to provide so much food and water,'' he said. ''I am sure their logistical lines are stretched to the limit.''

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AMMAN, Jordan (AUG. 27) UPI - King Hussein of Jordan flew to Libya on the first stop of another round of visits to Middle East capitals in pursuit

of an Arab initiative to avert war in the Persian Gulf region, while more than 14,000 foreigners poured into Jordan from Iraq, border officials said.

State-run Amman radio said Hussein flew to Tripoli Sunday with a delegation of senior officials after holding separate meetings during the day in Amman with Turkish Foreign Minister Ali Bozer and the Sudanese leader, Gen. Omar Hassan al Bashir.

The trip was being made ''within the framework of his majesty's continuous efforts to end the gulf crisis by peaceful means and within the Arab fold '' the radio said.

After the Amman meeting, Bashir told reporters, ''We are doing all we can to defuse the crisis and to prevent the outbreak of a devastating war. We are trying to formulate an Arab initiative for this purpose and we will continue our contacts with Arab leaders.''

Officials in Amman and at the frontier post of Rweished said the flood of foreigners pouring in Jordan was expected to continue at a rate of about 15,000 to 20,000 per day.

In the 12-hour period ending at 6 p.m. Sunday, at least 14,440 people - most of them Egyptians and Asians - had crossed into Jordan in cars and trucks, the officials said.

It was not immediately known how many of the 35,000 refugees who were reported to be in Jordan on Saturday had left Sunday aboard the ships and planes of a massive repatriation effort organized by Jordan with help from Egypt, Saudi Arabia, several Western European governments and relief organizations.

Egyptians have been heading to the Red Sea port of Aqaba to wait in makeshift camps for passage home. The border officials said some 2,500 cars carrying Egyptians were in Aqaba.

Thousands of other people, including Yemenis, Bangladeshis, Pakistanis, Thais, Indians and Filipinos, have been going to Amman, where they are being housed in vacant buildings and in camps on two trade-fair grounds, awaiting flights home. Jordan has appealed to the governments of stranded foreigners to help repatriate their citizens.

A team from the European-based group Doctors Without Borders arrived late Saturday with a planeload of medicines and tents sent by the European Economic Community for the camps of foreigners in Aqaba and Amman.

The International Red Cross has also sent food, sanitation equipment and other supplies to reception centers on the border and Jordanian citizens have been contributing donations.

Since the exodus began, more than 185,000 foreigners have flooded into Jordan. The kingdom at first was hard pressed to handle the flood and close its border from Wednesday to Friday afternoon.

With the help it has received, it says can now handle some 20,000 people per day.

King Hussein's new round of trips to promote an Arab initiative followed ventures last week to Sudan and Yemen.

After his discussion Sunday with Hussein, Bashir departed for Iraq for talks with the government of President Saddam Hussein.

Bashir stressed that he was also involved in a search for an Arab plan to prevent hostilities between Iraqi forces and military contingents deployed in the gulf area by the United States, other Western states and several Arab nations.

Bozer, whose nation has sided with the West in imposing sanctions against its powerful Arab neighbor, was quoted by Amman radio as telling Hussein that he was visiting Jordan to stress ''Turkey's keenness'' for a diplomatic solution to the crisis.

After meeting Hussein, Bozer held talks with Crown Prince Hassan, who was sworn in as regent after the king departed for Libya, the radio said.

Meanwhile, Palestine Liberation Organization sources said PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat was expected to return to Amman late Sunday from Baghdad after a one-day visit for talks with Iraqi leaders.

PLO sources on Saturday said Hussein and Arafat were coordinating on seeking Arab support for a peace plan calling for a freeze in military movements and the deployment in Kuwait of a U.N. peacekeeping force as a buffer between Iraqi forces and contingents of the United States and other nations.

The sources said that under the plans, talks would be held under U.N. auspices on developing a timetable for a mutual withdrawal of all forces and the future form of government for Kuwait, whose ruling al-Sabah family was ousted in the Iraqi invasion.

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#90239u0320 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - Tokyo's stock market continued its rebound Monday, with the key index gaining 4 percent in light trading as investors kept a wary eye on the stalemate in the Persian Gulf.

Extending a rally that began Friday, the Tokyo market's main barometer, the Nikkei Average, shot up 976.00 yen, or 4 percent, to close the day at 25,141.76. The Nikkei reversed a long string of losses Friday with a 428.13-yen gain.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index of all major shares moved up 58.87 points to 1,904.59, following a 16.47-point rise Friday.

But trading was light at an estimated 330 million shares, and this led some brokers to worry that the rally might not be sustainable.

On Friday, 546.12 million shares changed hands.

Bargain-hunters bought selectively in all sectors, brokers said, investing mainly in blue-chip and large-capital issues.

''The absence of bad news over the weekend brought some new money into the market,'' said broker Brian Tobin of S.G. Warburg Securities. ''But I think the volume figures tell the story - most investors are not convinced.''

Brokers said investor confidence was boosted by a perceived drop-off in futures arbitrage in the spot market.

Financial authorities were said to be pressuring arbitrageurs to reduce their role in the market. The practice of trading simultaneously in the spot and futures markets has been blamed for huge dips in the Nikkei in recent weeks, when trading volume has been low.

Monday's big gains flew in the face of rising interest rates - the stock market's main bugaboo this year.

The overnight rate in Tokyo was up more than 0.15 percentage points Monday to 7.59 percent.

Uncertainty about when and where interest rates will peak is likely to hurt the market again during the week, brokers said.

One broker pointed out that the type of stock favored during Monday's rally had high liquidity, leading him to expect profit-taking ahead.

''You can get out as fast as you got in,'' he said.

The U.S. dollar weakened against the Japanese yen in Tokyo amid prospects of higher interest rates in Japan and a slowdown in the U.S. economy behind tensions in the Middle East.

The dollar closed at 144.80 yen, down .90 yen from Friday's closing rate of 145.70 yen, the Bank of Japan said.

Dealers said the lack of major developments in the gulf region during the weekend encouraged the market to focus on the poor performance of the U.S. economy and prospects of higher interest rates in Japan.

Long-term credit banks reported Friday they plan to raise the long-term prime rate by 0.6 points to 8.5 percent next month.

The dealers said the decision by the banks reminded the market of what a good return the yen promised.

The rally of the Nikkei Average on the stock exchange also helped to restore the market's confidence, they said.

In Australia, bank shares led prices higher on the Sydney Stock Exchange Monday as traders reacted to the weekend upturn in world markets.

Wall Street's 50-point rebound on Friday gave heart to investors in Sydney after the Middle-East-driven selloff of the past three weeks.

The Hong Kong market was closed Monday for a holiday.

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#90239u0334 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait:

Fifty-two dependents of U.S. Embassy workers arrived Monday in Turkey in good condition and looking ''very, very happy,'' but Iraqi border guards detained three young men at the border. The group, which had left the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait for Baghad, gained permission from Iraq to leave the country. Iraq meanwhile rounded up foreigners from Britain, France and Japan and turned off power in several embassies.

TOKYO - Stocks rebounded in Tokyo Monday with the Nikkei Average gaining 4 percent, but light trading kept investors away and led to speculation the rally might not be sustainable. In Australia, bank shares led prices higher on the Sydney Stock Exchange Monday as traders reacted to the weekend upturn in world markets. Wall Street's 50-point rebound on Friday gave heart to investors in Sydney after the Middle East-driven selloff of the past three weeks.

Diplomatic efforts to end the crisis proliferated as U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar planned to meet with Iraqi

Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Amman, Jordan, to try to solve ''in all its aspects the critical situation in Iraq and Kuwait.'' Egypt's foreign minister was heading to Moscow and King Hussein of Jordan to Libya, but British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's prognosis was that a negotiated settlement was ''most unlikely.''

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia - U.S. military leaders said Sunday one of their largest logistical operations since World War II was proceeding on schedule as ships bearing hundreds of M-1 Abrams tanks neared Saudi Arabia. The tanks, named for a U.S. commander in Vietnam, will be the crucial backbone of the U.S. ground force now assembling to confront Iraq.

VIENNA - Iraq and Libya skipped the start of emergency OPEC talks held to consider ways to offset losses in crude oil production and restore balance to global markets that have been jolted by the Persian Gulf crisis. Representatives of the 11 other cartel members held private, informal ''consultations'' into early Monday amid predictions they would convene a formal conference at which temporary increases in oil output quotas could be approved.

LONDON - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher reacted angrily to a televised meeting between Saddam and his hostages. ''You are dealing with a dictator who is an absolute tyrant, who had a callous charade on television with children,'' Thatcher said. ''We know full well that he hasn't hesitated to use the chemical weapon against innocent people. This man is a despot and a tyrant and must be stopped.''

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#90239u0344 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUF. 27) UPI - Powerful storms endangered mariners along the Gulf Coast Monday and thick fog blinded drivers in the Middle Atlantic states as steaming temperatures greeted returning school children in the South.

A late summer heat wave gripped north Texas and Arkansas, pushing the thermometer over 100 degrees and leading the National Weather Service to post heat advisories.

In Texas, dangerous heat covered Waco, Paris, Dallas-Fort Worth and other cities and no breaks were expected through the middle of the week.

Forecasters warned parents of students returning to school Monday that children are usually among the first to suffer from hot weather.

The heat wave also hit Arkansas, where afternoon temperatures near 105 were predicted for parts of the southwest section of the state through Tuesday.

Thunderstorms dumped heavy rains Monday in the mouth of Vermillion Bay and in the Gulf of Mexico waters south of Vermillion and Atchafalaya bays in central southern Louisiana, about 30 miles south of Lafayette.

Dangerous lightning flashed across the bays as forecasters warned of possible waterspouts. Small craft were advised to seek safe harbor.

Isolated showers and thunderstorms stretched across the coastal waters of Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama.

Heavy fog cut visibility to near zero in parts of Kentucky, West Virginia and Wisconsin, but burned off as the day heated up.

In the West, rain fell in California over the northwest region, northern mountains and the northern end of the Sacramento Valley Sunday. Considerable clouds covered the state from the San Francisco Bay area to Lake Tahoe northward, while sunny skies prevailed over central and Southern California.

The unusually early storm system continued to develop well off the southern Oregon and Northern California coasts, while sending clouds and rain inland over the Northern California and southwest Oregon. The storm system was expected to remain offshore through the end of the week, sending clouds and scattered showers mainly over northwest California and the state's northern mountains.

Overall, it was slightly warmer in California, in part because of balmy southern winds ahead of the offshore system.

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#90239u0350 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 27) UPI - The dollar opened mostly lower against the major European currencies Monday on worries about the U.S. economy and the Middle East conflict.

Dealers said the absence of major developments in the Persian Gulf over the weekend left markets focusing on the apparent weakness of the U.S. economy.

The dollar moved down in Frankfurt at 1.5405 from Friday's close of 1.5500 but was slightly higher in Zurich at 1.2655 Swiss francs from 1.2635.

London markets were closed Monday for a one day Bank Holiday.

The dollar slipped lower in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at 5.1690 francs vs. 5.2180, 31.6450 Belgian francs vs. 31.8950, and 1147.25 Italian lire vs. 1159.15.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar weakened against the Japanese yen amid prospects of higher interest rates in Japan and a slowdown in the U.S. economy behind tension in the Middle East.

Dealers said they moved in to buy yen after long-term credit banks reported Friday they plan to raise the long-term prime rate by 0.6 points to 8.5 percent next month. The decision reminded the market of what a good return the yen promised, dealers said.

The dollar closed at 144.80 yen from 145.70 yen Friday.

The U.S. unit closed marginally lower in Singapore at 1.7755 Singapore dollars vs. 1.7765.

Markets in Hong Kong were closed for the Liberation Day holiday.

Gold opened lower in Zurich at $407.50 an ounce from $411 Friday.

Silver moved lower in Zurich at $5.10 an ounce from $5.15.

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#90239u0389 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 27) UPI - Police searching the building housing television station WLS cornered an armed robbery suspect in a closet early Monday, two days after the man took refuge in the building and disrupted the station's broadcast schedule.

John Fidel Kane, 28, was found hiding in a seventh floor closet about 1:30 a.m., Police Lt. Frank Kehoe said. He said Kane surrendered without a struggle and police found a gun and some money with him.

Kane and his brother, James Kane, 31, allegedly robbed a pizzeria of about $6,200 Saturday morning and fled the scene in a car, said Police Capt. Robert Sheehan.

The car was pulled over by an officer a short time later and James Kane was taken into custody but John ran and headed for the building where WLS is located, apparently slipping in through an opened garage door, Sheehan said.

Police could not find Kane after three searches of the building were conducted Saturday and early Sunday and they concluded he had escaped. But late Sunday, a resident of an apartment across the street from the station spotted a man believed to be the suspect trying to break out of the tenth floor window of the 13-floor building, said Paul Meincke, an employee with the station.

Police sealed the building and the search went into Monday morning, but the station continued with its regular broadcasts including the 10 p.m. news from its third-floor studio and broke into programming through the night for updates on the search.

Meincke said wire mesh on the window probably kept the man from breaking out of the building. The building was originally evacuated around 11 a.m. Saturday and police searched for an hour but found nothing, Kehoe said.

Later Saturday, station employees reported seeing the suspect, so police were called in for a second search in late evening, Kehoe said. Police did not find anyone in that search either but station general manager Joe Ahern asked for a third search around 11:10 p.m. and accompanied police as they looked through the building.

Ahern said that search ended around 1:30 a.m. Sunday and he was convinced the man had left the building. "I personally went on the search with the master keys," Ahern said. "We have gone through every cubbyhole. He had to have gotten out."

The second search and evacuation forced the station off the air just before the 10 p.m. newscast. A makeshift studio was set up at the Sears Tower, where the WLS transmitter is located. The station went back on the air at about 10:30 p.m. for intermittent reports on the situation but then went off the air for the night.

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#90239u0413 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (AUG. 27) UPI - China has evacuated its embassy in Kuwait and sent its diplomats to Baghdad, apparently capitulating to an Iraqi demand that all foreign missions in the occupied emirate be closed, an Iraqi diplomat said Monday.

The Iraqi diplomat, who spoke on the condition his name not be disclosed, said he could not confirm Middle Eastern news reports that the invading Iraqi army had actually entered the Chinese Embassy.

''My information is that the Chinese Embassy has been evacuated,'' the diplomat said. ''China's embassy in Kuwait is now empty and the diplomats have all gone to Baghdad.''

The reported evacuation indicates a crack in China's newfound resolve to align itself with the Western-led embargo of Iraq in reprisal for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait during an oil and border dispute.

The Chinese action echoed similar moves by the Soviet Union, which last

week pulled out the last of its diplomatic personnel from Kuwait even while the Kremlin pledged to abide by the embargo.

China fashions itself a leader of the Third World rather than a peer of what it calls the ''big powers.''

But as recently as last Friday, China issued a statement asserting its right to maintain an embassy in Kuwait, saying it continued to recognize the exiled Kuwaiti regime as the oil-rich emirate's legitimate government.

''China and Kuwait maintain diplomatic relations and China is entitled to keep its embassy in Kuwait according to international practice,'' the statement said.

Over the weekend, China's U.N. Security Council representative surprised observers by voting in favor of a U.S.-sponsored resolution authorizing military enforcement of the embargo of Iraq.

Beijing's ambassador to the United Nations nevertheless qualified China's position after the vote, saying it did not recognize that the resolution actually authorized the use of force.

By evacuating its Kuwait Embassy, China apparently capitulated to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's demand that all countries close their diplomatic missions in recognition of Iraq's sovereignty over the conquered territory.

The timing of the evacuation was not known nor could sources say how many Chinese remained in the embassy in recent days.

A Kuwaiti diplomat in Beijing said two reporters for China's official Xinhua news agency had taken refuge in the mission after their downtown offices were damaged in the Iraqi invasion.

Beijing last week began a full-scale evacuation of 5,000 Chinese nationals who had been working or studying in Kuwait and an equal number in Iraq, suggesting the Chinese government was cautiously aligning itself with Western-led efforts to isolate Iraq.

The leadership also denounced the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, demanded Baghdad's troops pull out, and said it was stopping China's lucrative sales of weapons to Saddam's million-strong army in keeping with the U.N.-ordered embargo.

But at the same time, China's official press and propaganda organs have taken pains to say nothing that could antagonize Saddam, whose government has had close relations with Beijing.

Chinese Premier Li Peng, in a meeting Monday with Tanzanian former president Julius Nyerere, restated China's opposition to ''military involvement by the big powers,'' saying the gulf crisis should be solved by the gulf nations themselves.

Li also said China fears the rise of what he vaguely described as a ''new form of hegemonism'' that was causing a widening of an economic rift between north and south.

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#90239u0431 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (AUG. 27) UPI - Japan will hold a series of trade and economic consultations with Sweden, Norway and Ireland starting Sept. 3, the Foreign Ministry said Monday.

The ministry said the meetings are designed to exchange views on international and bilateral economic problems.

The Japan-Sweden consultations will be held in Stockholm Sept. 3-4, followed by meetings in Oslo Sept. 6-7 and in Dublin Sept. 10-11, the ministry said.

The Japanese delegation, consisting of officials from the Foreign Ministry the Ministry of International Trade and Industry and the Science and Technology Agency, will be led by Takaya Sudo, deputy director general of the Foreign Ministry's Economic Affairs Bureau, the ministry said.

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#90239u0489 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 27) UPI - 52 U-S Embassy dependents arrived in Turkey this morning after a grueling 300-mile journey that started yesterday when they were allowed to leave Baghdad. A Turkish Interior Ministry employee says the Americans looked very happy. Also, Iraq has agreed to a meeting between its Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and U-N Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. The two will meet in Amman, Jordan, on Thursday.

Iraq and Libya were the only OPEC members NOT to attend an emergency session in Vienna. 11 oil cartel representatives discussed increasing production levels to offset shortages brought on by the Persian Gulf crisis. A spokesman for the Saudi Arabian delegation says- ''it is more than likely a formal conference will be called'' to further debate the issue.

There was a major shake-up in the Thai government today. Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan fired or transferred 20 Cabinet members, and brought

a seventh political party into his coalition. Some members of Choonhavan's administration have been accused of corruption and inefficiency. The changes are NOT expected to affect Thailand's prosperous free-market and pro-Western policies.

Yugoslavian rescue officials say there is NO chance anyone survived yesterday's coal mine explosion. All 186 miners believed to be working underground at the time of the blast are feared dead. Belgrade Radio says the explosion occurred at a mine 120 miles southwest of Belgrade. The Yugoslavian News Agency reports eight bodies have been recovered.

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#90239u0497 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - The doctor of freed Irish hostage Brian Keenan says his patient did NOT want to be released without fellow captive and British journalist John McCarthy. Dr. Sean Blake says Keenan argued with his Moslem kidnappers, but they took him away from his prison in Beirut without letting him say good-bye to McCarthy. Blake says Keenan is in good condition but suffering from malnutrition.

At least 180 people were killed and more than 300 injured when typhoon Yancytore swept across China's southeast coast. An official Chinese newspaper reports last week's storm caused an estimated 125-Million dollars in damage and left Millions homeless in several provinces. Nearly 14-hundred people have died in severe weather this year in China.

NASA is getting ready to launch the shuttle Columbia Saturday morning on a long-awaited astronomy mission. The spaceplane, now presumably free of any hydrogen fuel leaks, will carry a seven-man crew and a battery of telescopes to study ultra-violet rays from stars and other galaxies. A successful shuttle launch would give NASA a much-needed morale boost.

Kitty Dukakis, wife of 1988 Democratic presidential candidate Governor Michael Dukakis, reveals details about her struggle with alcoholism and depression in her new book ''Now You Know.'' A published report says Dukakis admits in the book that she's manic-depressive but has found a ''measure of ease through understanding.''

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#90239u0532 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

SIDON, Lebanon (AUG. 27) UPI - A car bomb exploded Monday in a Moslem Shiite village in southern Lebanon, killing six people, police said.

They said the bomb in a Japanese-made car went off in the village of Houmine, 11 miles east of the port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut.

Six people in the car were killed, police said, revising an earlier casualty count.

Houmine is patrolled by the pro-Syrian Amal movement which has been locked in bloody, 3 1/2-year struggle with the Iranian-backed Hezbollah for the control of Lebanon's Shiite community.

Sources in the south said the dead were members of the Amal movement, clad in civilian clothes rather than military fatigues. The car exploded while they were driving on a military route in the village of Houmine.

The Amal command in the south accused Hezbollah and Iran for ''this massacre that targeted innocent civilians.''

This was the eighth car bomb explosion in Lebanon this year. Last July, eight people were killed and 22 others were wounded when a fuel tank blew up in the town of Chtaura, 22 miles east of Beirut.

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#90239u0562 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - Although the antagonists in the Persian Gulf crisis have not come to blows since the invasion of Kuwait, they have triggered economic shocks around the world, analysts say.

Jordan, India and Ireland already are feeling the economic impact of the crisis, and other nations expect to within weeks.

The United Nations imposed an economic embargo against Iraq and Kuwait shortly after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of the tiny oil-rich emirate, a punitive measure that has deeply affected the two countries' major trading partners.

Jordan especially has felt the crunch. Iraq had been the kingdom's major trading partner and the embargo has effectively put a stop to the most crucial activities in the key Jordanian Red Sea port of Aqaba, which used to be a main transit point of Iraqi imports and exports.

Jordan could lose $3.5 billion in the next year, an amount equivalent to the country's gross national product, says Dr. Jawad Anani, a senior government economist.

''The cost to Jordan is going to be horrendous,'' Anani said. Some analysts say the economy could completely collapse.

Jordan receives 80 percent of its oil from Iraq, and many Jordanians who were employed in trucking oil supplies from Iraq and moving other goods to the besieged country are now out of work, Anani said.

The U.N. Security Council has developed a special plan to compensate Jordan for the economic hardships it is suffering, but Anani said the kingdom will probably have to renegotiate an already harsh economic recovery plan with the International Monetary Fund.

India, which gets about 40 percent of its crude oil from Iraq and Kuwait, has only a 35-day oil reserve and is being forced to shop for fresh supplies on the spot oil market with a budget that is nowhere near adequate.

Petroleum Minister S. Gurupadaswamy says the impact of the gulf crisis on India will be enormous because all sectors of the nation's economy are dependent on oil.

The crisis has cost the Irish beef industry, Europe's largest exporter of beef to the Middle East, about $76.5 million in trade with Iraq so far. Sales to Iraq, Iran and Libya account for one-third of the industry's market.

Panic buying on the Dublin stock exchange as a result of the gulf crisis last week wiped more than $680 million off the value of the market.

And Iraq still owes Ireland $102 million for beef shipped before the embargo, officials say.

Pakistan is likely to be severely affected by the Iraq embargo because 70 percent of its oil comes from Kuwait. But at this point analysts expect the government, which has a two-month oil reserve, to delay taking actions that could immediately pinch the public until after Oct. 24 elections.

''We will be facing a lot of economic dislocation,'' said M. Ziauddin, a senior Pakistani journalist.

The Soviet Union also expects losses. About 9 percent, or $2.04 billion, of the nation's foreign trade is with Iraq, most of it military supplies and oil.

But Moscow will forgo this trade to support the U.N. economic sanctions.

''Sure. We are going to suffer. But it is not correct to count up those losses right now,'' said Igor Mordvinov, head of the Directorate for Foreign Economic Policy in the Ministry for Foreign Economic Relations.

An Australian foreign ministry spokesman said Australia had almost $1 billion in trade at risk as a result of the sanctions.

''Iraq owes us $480 million for wheat already delivered on credit and

another $320 million sales were projected for the coming year,'' the spokesman said.

''Iraq is one of our biggest customers in wheat and this will be difficult to replace,'' he said.

Japan, heavily dependent on imported oil and still reliant on Iraq and Kuwait for 11.7 percent of imports, might have been seriously affected by such a gulf crisis several years ago. It was, in fact, brought to its knees by oil shocks in the 1970s.

But a program of energy diversification and improved manufacturing efficiency has taken a great deal of sting out of the crisis. Japan is now dependent on oil for just 57 percent of its energy needs, compared with 77 percent in 1977.

The main effect on Japan's economy is expected to be increased inflation. The stock market has fallen 25 percent since the crisis broke, and interest rates are headed up. But analysts say the gulf conflict will only chip a fraction of a percent off of Japan's GNP growth.

In the United States, some analysts are expecting a recession that will be made worse by the public's postponing of car and home purchases as a result of economic uncertainty fueled by the crisis. Interest rates are already headed up in the United States, and in Europe as well, they said.

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#90239u0598 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - Iraq let 52 Americans related to personnel at the embassy in Kuwait go to Turkey today. A Turkish official said they looked ''very, very happy.'' A U-S spokeswoman says about 54 male embassy personnel were NOT allowed to leave Baghdad.

The body of a U-S sailor killed while on blockade duty in the Persian Gulf was flown to Boston last night. Petty officer Daniel Jones of Wakefield, Massachusetts, was killed in an accident while working on the U-S-S Antietam.

Officials of OPEC nations are optimistic a formal conference will be called that will increase oil production. The embargo against Iraq and Kuwait has reduced daily pumping by about five-Million barrels a day.

Farmers are worried about higher fuel prices eating into their profits. Especially hard hit are those who rely on irrigation or need to dry their wet grain. The farmers also are concerned about the loss of farm sales to Iraq.

An armed robbery suspect who hid in a Chicago television station for 39 hours surrendered to police this morning. Nobody was hurt. At times the station was off the air because police evacuated the building.

Police are hunting for a hit-and-run driver who killed a motorcycle driver in the Bronx. Witnesses say a black car left the scene. Police say somebody stole the victim's motorcycle as he lay dead.

A 72-year-old Loomis, California, man charged with helping his sick wife commit suicide is out on bail. Bertram Harper was allegedly at his wife's side when she killed herself in a Romulus, Michigan, motel room.

Police in Gainesville, Florida, classify the deaths of two young women as murder. A maintenance man found the bodies in an apartment near the University of Florida.

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#90239u0691 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - 52 U-S Embassy dependents crossed from Iraq into Turkey today after a long journey across mountainous terrain in very hot weather. Iraq originally released 55 dependents, but Iraqi officials later stopped three young men in the group from crossing the border. A U-S official says an escort officer from the American Embassy is with the young men.

Diplomatic efforts to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis continue. A U-N spokesman says U-N Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar will meet Thursay with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Amman, Jordan. The spokesman says the two officials will try to solve the ''critical situation in Iraq and Kuwait.''

Tokyo's stock market continued its rebound today, gaining four percent in light trading as investors monitored the stalemate in the Persian Gulf region. The light trading did leave some brokers worried the rally will NOT be sustained.

In South Africa, thousands of people boycotted work in Soweto and other black townships today to honor victims of inter-tribal violence. More than 500 people have died during two weeks of black-on-black fighting between warring tribal factions. The clashes prompted the South African government to impose emergency regulations.

Lebanese police say five people were killed and six others injured today when a car bomb exploded in a Moslem Shiite village in southern Lebanon. The village is patrolled by the pro-Syrian Amal movement, which is battling the Iranian-backed Hezbollah for control of Lebanon's Shiite community.

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#90239u0704 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 27) UPI - The shuttle Columbia is tentatively set for launch Saturday morning from Cape Canaveral, Florida. The spaceplane has been repaired with a new hydrogen ''disconnect'' fitting and NASA engineers are hoping another glitch does NOT ground Columbia for a second time.

Firefighters in Miami say a woman who was having her fortune told was burned over more than 40 percent of her body when a candle ignited an oil and alcohol mixture the fortune teller had smeared on her. Investigators say the fortune teller told them the woman leaned too close to the candles. The incident occurred during the weekend.

A Fort Bragg soldier goes on trial today in North Carolina for the murder of a Panamanian civilian during the U-S invasion of Panama last December. First Sergeant Enrico Bryan faces a possible life prison term and is the first soldier since the Vietnam War to be charged with murder in combat. Fort Bragg's commander decided to proceed with the case after investigators concluded the charges should be dropped.

A heat wave covers much of the South this morning as many children prepare to begin another school year. Forecasters warn parents of students going back to school that youngsters usually are among the first to suffer from hot weather. The late summer heat grips Texas and Arkansas, pushing the mercury over the 100-degree mark.

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#90239u0712 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 27) UPI - Tokyo's stock market bounded forward Monday, with the Nikkei average gaining 4 percent.

Extending a rally that began Friday, the market's main barometer shot up 976.00 points to close at 25,141.76.

The Nikkei started to reverse a long string of losses last week on the last day of trading, with a 428.13-point gain Friday.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index of all major shares moved up 58.87 points to 1,904.59, following a 16.47-point rise Friday.

But trading was light at an estimated 330 million shares, and this led some brokers to worry that the rally might not be sustainable.

On Friday, 546.12 million shares changed hands.

Elsewhere in Asia, the Hong Kong Stock Exchange was closed for the

Liberation Day holiday. Trading will resume Tuesday.

On the Singapore Stock Exchange, prices closed higher in moderate trading as bargain hunters continued to push prices higher.

The Straits Times Industrial Index gained 40.17 points to close at 1198.23.

The All Singapore Index rose 11.60 points to end at 341.30.

The exchange recorded a turnover of 104.94 million units.

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#90239u0743 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - The Kremlin is doing its part diplomatically to try to settle the Middle East crisis. Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze met in Moscow today to discuss the situation. Egyptian news media say Meguid has a message from President Hosni Mubarak. Yesterday Shevardnadze met with the French foreign minister. He also holds telephone conversations nearly every day with Washington. In addition, Moscow has a special ambassador touring the Middle East.

Two people were killed in the Bronx this morning when they tried to help victims of robberies. In one incident, a man saw a youth steal a watch and a gold chain and was shot and killed while chasing him. Police arrested a 17-year-old boy. An hour later, a cab driver tried to stop a man and woman from robbing another driver. He was clubbed to death with a two-by-four. Two people were arrested.

A teachers' strike threatened in Detroit apparently has been averted. Bargainers for the teachers and the school district reached tentative agreement on a contract this morning. Classes begin tomorrow for 161-thousand Detroit teachers. A state teachers' organization says strikes are possible in nearly 40 other school districts in Michigan.

Authorities moved people out of 300 houses this morning near Midway, Utah, because of an advancing forest fire. The fire, fed by high winds, grew from 120 acres yesterday afternoon to 25-hundred acres. 39 homes were destroyed. Pilots dropped water until darkness forced them to land. Officials do NOT expect to contain the blaze until Thursday because of weather conditions.

-30- 1811

#90239u0759 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - A late summer heat wave has settled in over north Texas and Arkansas. Temperatures have jumped above 100 degrees, and heat

advisories are posted. NO break from the heat is expected in the Texas area. Children return to school in Texas today, and forecasters warned parents the young are usually the first to suffer from heat.

Forecasters say hurricane Gustav has decreased its threat to the Lesser Antilles islands. It veered more toward the northeastern Caribbean this morning. Top winds are 100 miles an hour. At last report , Gustav was 210 miles east of the island of Guadeloupe ... moving northwest at 10 miles-an-hour. A forecaster says it does NOT threaten the eastern United States. Far to the east is tropical storm Hortense.

At least 14 people were killed near Durban, South Africa, in the explosion of a tanker truck on a busy highway last night. The truck carrying resin plowed into vehicles that were stalled because of an earlier accident. The truck overturned and burst into flames. Witnesses said frantic children ran with their clothes on fire. The truck driver was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated.

A man married only a month set himself on fire in Indianapolis yesterday after an argument with his wife. He is in critical condition. Indiana authorities say Michael Pierce often threatened to kill himself during arguments with his wife. Yesterday they argued, he left the house and got into his car. His wife heard an explosion and saw him run from the car. A neighbor called firefighters.

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#90239u0812 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, KENYA (AUG. 27) UPI - Foreign ministers of six east African nations met in the Kenyan capital Monday for exploratory talks on finding ways to stop the region's many civil wars end cross-border rivalries, and forge closer economic links, Kenyan foreign ministry officials said.

Represented were ministers from Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, Sudan and Uganda - the six members of the Intergovernmental Authority on Drought and Development, originally conceived as a famine-fighting body in 1985. Of the six, only Kenya and Djibouti are not currently fighting internal wars.

Ethiopia has battled its Eritrean secessionists for nearly 30 years and its Tigrayan hardline Marxists for 13. Sudan has fought a war of mass bloodshed and starvation against southern rebels since 1983. Somalia's civil war has been an on-and-off affair since 1977. And Uganda has suffered insurrections more or less constantly since 1972, the early days of deposed dictator Idi Amin.

Between them, the region's wars - directly or through famine - are thought to have killed at least two million people in the past decade.

The IGADD countries agreed at a first meeting in July to act more closely together, politically and economically, and seek an end to funding of eath other's rebel groups.

Uganda and Sudan have consistently accused each other of harboring cross-border rebels, but earlier this year signed a non-agression pact calling for rebel repatriation.

Sudan has also in the past hinted it believed Kenya was funding the predominantly Christian, black African Sudanese People's Liberation Army.

Somalia and Ethiopia, who fought the Ogaden war in 1977-78, have maintained an uneasy rivalry ever since, but pledged over the weekend to work for closer cooperation.

Even the tiny city-state of Djibouti has in recent months been accused of supporting rebels in northern Somalia.

Opening the meeting, Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi said regional development was impossible without peace.

''All of us should take deliberate steipt to prevent inter-state or internal conflicts which lead to wanton loss of life and the slowing down of the pace of development,'' he said.

''It is within a climate of peace in all our member states that we shall be able to strengthen regional trade, thus paving the way for stronger economic integration,'' Moi added.

Kenyan foreign minister Wilson Ndolo Ayah said last month the talks should be viewed as exploratory. Their purpose, he said, was not to confront civil wars head on, but find areas in which the six countries could cooperate to achieve peace.

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#90239u0843 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (AUG. 27) UPI - The domestic rig count rebounded strongly last week, but poor offshore rig usage in the Gulf of Mexico may prompt companies to move their equipment to more productive areas, industry monitors reported.

A total of 1,002 rotary rigs were working in the United States last week, compared with 987 the previous week and 909 the same week a year ago, Baker Hughes Inc. reported Sunday.

The Gulf of Mexico rig count dropped by one last week, Offshore Data

Services reported. A total of 147 offshore rigs were working in the gulf out of a fleet of 212, for a utilization rate of 69.3 percent.

''Continued lackluster utilization in the area has prompted several drilling contractors to announce their intentions to move a number of rigs out of the gulf later this year and in early 1991,'' ODS said.

Worldwide, 553 of 669 offshore rigs were under contract, for a utilization rate of 82.7 percent.

In European waters, 129 of 136 rigs were working, the same as a week before, for a utilization rate of 94.9 percent.

Other relevant rig counts include Louisiana, 151 last week, 152 the week before and 143 the same week a year ago; New Mexico, 43, 33 and 31; Oklahoma, 126, 120 and 117; Texas, 336, 327 and 265; and Canada, 118, 114 and 100.

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#90239u0861 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - Although the antagonists in the Persian Gulf crisis have not come to blows since the invasion of Kuwait, they have triggered economic shocks around the world, analysts say.

Jordan, India and Ireland already are feeling the economic impact of the crisis, and other nations expect to within weeks.

The United Nations imposed an economic embargo against Iraq and Kuwait shortly after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of the tiny oil-rich emirate, a punitive measure that has deeply affected the two countries' major trading partners.

Jordan especially has felt the crunch. Iraq had been the kingdom's major trading partner and the embargo has effectively put a stop to the most crucial activities in the key Jordanian Red Sea port of Aqaba, which used to be a main transit point of Iraqi imports and exports.

Jordan could lose $3.5 billion in the next year, an amount equivalent to the country's gross national product, says Dr. Jawad Anani, a senior government economist.

''The cost to Jordan is going to be horrendous,'' Anani said. Some analysts say the economy could completely collapse.

Jordan receives 80 percent of its oil from Iraq, and many Jordanians who were employed in trucking oil supplies from Iraq and moving other goods to the besieged country are now out of work, Anani said.

The U.N. Security Council has developed a special plan to compensate Jordan for the economic hardships it is suffering, but Anani said the kingdom will probably have to renegotiate an already harsh economic recovery plan with the International Monetary Fund.

India, which gets about 40 percent of its crude oil from Iraq and Kuwait, has only a 35-day oil reserve and is being forced to shop for fresh supplies on the spot oil market with a budget that is nowhere near adequate.

Petroleum Minister S. Gurupadaswamy says the impact of the gulf crisis on India will be enormous because all sectors of the nation's economy are dependent on oil.

The crisis has cost the Irish beef industry, Europe's largest exporter of beef to the Middle East, about $76.5 million in trade with Iraq so far. Sales to Iraq, Iran and Libya account for one-third of the industry's market.

Panic buying on the Dublin stock exchange as a result of the gulf crisis last week wiped more than $680 million off the value of the market.

And Iraq still owes Ireland $102 million for beef shipped before the embargo, officials say.

Pakistan is likely to be severely affected by the Iraq embargo because 70 percent of its oil comes from Kuwait. But at this point analysts expect the government, which has a two-month oil reserve, to delay taking actions that could immediately pinch the public until after Oct. 24 elections.

''We will be facing a lot of economic dislocation,'' said M. Ziauddin, a senior Pakistani journalist.

The Soviet Union also expects losses. About 9 percent, or $2.04 billion, of the nation's foreign trade is with Iraq, most of it military supplies and oil.

But Moscow will forgo this trade to support the U.N. economic sanctions.

''Sure. We are going to suffer. But it is not correct to count up those losses right now,'' said Igor Mordvinov, head of the Directorate for Foreign Economic Policy in the Ministry for Foreign Economic Relations.

An Australian foreign ministry spokesman said Australia had almost $1 billion in trade at risk as a result of the sanctions.

''Iraq owes us $480 million for wheat already delivered on credit and

another $320 million sales were projected for the coming year,'' the spokesman said.

''Iraq is one of our biggest customers in wheat and this will be difficult to replace,'' he said.

Japan, heavily dependent on imported oil and still reliant on Iraq and Kuwait for 11.7 percent of imports, might have been seriously affected by such a gulf crisis several years ago. It was, in fact, brought to its knees by oil shocks in the 1970s.

But a program of energy diversification and improved manufacturing efficiency has taken a great deal of sting out of the crisis. Japan is now dependent on oil for just 57 percent of its energy needs, compared with 77 percent in 1977.

The main effect on Japan's economy is expected to be increased inflation. The stock market has fallen 25 percent since the crisis broke, and interest rates are headed up. But analysts say the gulf conflict will only chip a fraction of a percent off of Japan's GNP growth.

In the United States, some analysts are expecting a recession that will be made worse by the public's postponing of car and home purchases as a result of economic uncertainty fueled by the crisis. Interest rates are already headed up in the United States, and in Europe as well, they said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $401.00, silver base of $5.08 and platinum price of $494.50:

Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$418.20	428.60
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	214.40	219.70
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	110.10	112.80
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	45.50	46.60
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	418.20	428.60
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	214.40	219.70
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	110.60	113.10
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	45.50	46.60
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	424.90	434.90
China Panda .50 troy oz.	218.90	224.00
China Panda .25 troy oz.	113.60	116.20
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	49.00	50.20
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	29.30	30.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	418.10	427.90
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	213.70	218.80

British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	107.90	110.40
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	46.40	47.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	416.90	426.20
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	215.60	220.30
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	110.60	113.00
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	47.00	47.90
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	416.80	426.10
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	214.30	219.10
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	90.80	92.80
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	47.50	48.60
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.00	24.50

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.48	$6.52
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,670	$3,700
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,575	$1,575

Platinum		
Australian Koala	519.00	525.00
Isle of Man Noble	508.00	514.00
Canada Maple Leaf	525.00	531.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(AUG. 27) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	94	64	....
Anchorage pc	65	47	....
Asheville pc	88	66	....
Atlanta sy	94	74	....
Baltimore sy	93	71	....
Billings pc	82	56	....
Birmingham pc	97	72	....
Bismarck pc	81	53	....
Boston pc	87	69	....
Brownsville pc	97	77	....
Buffalo pc	82	68	....

Burlington Vt. pc	84	63	....
Charleston S.C.sy	93	75	....
Charlotte pc	93	72	1.14
Chicago pc	92	73	....
Cincinnati sy	92	69	....
Cleveland pc	88	69	....
Columbus Ohio sy	91	68	....
Dallas sy	102	76	....
Denver f	93	60	....
Des Moines sy	96	71	....
Detroit pc	90	70	....
Duluth pc	78	58	.03
El Paso sy	97	70	....
Evansville sy	94	68	....
Fargo pc	83	58	....
Hartford pc	90	66	....
Honolulu sh	88	77	....
Houston pc	99	76	....
Indianapolis sy	92	69	....
Jackson Miss. sy	100	72	....
Jacksonville pc	94	73	....
Kansas City sy	100	76	....
Las Vegas sy	99	70	....
Little Rock sy	99	75	....
Los Angeles sy	86	65	....
Louisville sy	95	72	....
Memphis hz	99	75	....
Miami Beach ts	90	76	....
Milwaukee pc	92	72	.02
Minneapolis pc	88	67	.01
Nashville hz	99	70	....
New Orleans pc	95	75	....
New York f	92	76	....
Oklahoma City sy	101	75	....
Omaha sy	98	70	....
Orlando ts	94	75	.24
Philadelphia sy	91	73	....
Phoenix f	107	83	....
Pittsburgh hz	88	68	....
Portland Me. sy	85	64	....
Portland Ore. r	80	57	....
Providence pc	87	68	....
Richmond sy	96	72	....
St. Louis sy	97	77	....
Salt Lake City f	90	59	....
San Antonio sy	99	76	....
San Diego f	79	66	....
San Francisco sy	80	60	....

San Juan sy	90	79	....
Seattle pc	76	57	....
Spokane pc	75	51	....
Tampa ts	92	76	....
Washington sy	94	76	....
Wichita sy	104	75	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90239u0942 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) UPI - Personal income increased 0.6 percent in July, while consumption slowed to 0.5 percent and the personal savings rate remained unchanged at 4.9 percent, the Commerce Department said Monday.

Disposable personal income advanced 0.5 percent vs. 0.6 percent in June, and a barometer of inflation tied to personal income gained 0.3 percent, according to the data compiled by the department's Bureau of Economic Analysis.

The Commerce Department said last month's $26.3 billion increase pushed the nation's total personal income to $4.67 trillion at an annual rate and adjusted for seasonal factors.

The 0.6 percent increase in personal income last month was also the best showing since a 0.7 percent gain in March and follows a 0.5 advance in June, a government spokesman said.

The figure was generally in line with economists' predictions.

July's 0.5 increase in personal consumption, meanwhile, follows a 1 percent jump in June and was attributed to slower spending on cars, food and clothing, the spokesman said.

''Wages and salaries increased $16.2 billion in July, compared with an increase of $15.9 billion in June,'' the Commerce Department said.

The services sector of the U.S. economy recorded a July increase in wages and salaries that was bigger than a June increase. But July advances in wages and salaries for the manufacturing, commodity producing and government sectors were smaller than in June, the report said.

''Farm proprietors' income decreased (by $100 million) in July, compared with a decrease of $5.6 billion in June,'' the Commerce Department said. ''Federal subsidy payments to farm proprietors decreased ($800 million) in July, compared with a decrease of $4.2 billion in June.''

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#90239u0944 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - Lebanese police now report six people died in a car-bomb explosion in a Shiite Moslem village in southern Lebanon. Authorities say a bomb was hidden in a car driven in a village 11 miles east of the port city of Sidon, some 24 miles south of Beirut. The pro-Syrian Amal movement has been locked in a three-year struggle with the Iranian backed Hezbollah for control of Lebanon's Shiite community.

Oil analysts say the Persian Gulf crisis triggered economic shocks around the world... with India, Ireland and Jordan already feeling the impact. Jordan has been hard-hit because Iraq is the kingdom's major trading partner, getting 80 percent of its oil from Baghdad. India gets 40 percent of its crude oil from Iraq. The Irish beef industry, Europe's largest exporter of beef to the Middle East, has lost about 76-Million dollars in trade with Iraq.

An oil industry analyst says retail gasoline prices rose an average of five cents a gallon during the past two weeks. Analyst Trilby Lundberg says the rate of increase in the last two weeks was half that of the period after Iraq invaded Kuwait. The Lundberg Survey of 13-thousand gas stations nationwide shows the average price was about one-dollar 33 cents a gallon, up five cents from the last survey done August 10th.

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#90239u0948 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - Fire crews are pouring into an areas near Midway, Utah, to battle a raging wildfire that already has destroyed 39 homes and threatens scores more. Authorities evacuated 300 summer and year-round homes in the Lime Canyon and Swiss Oaks area west of Midway. Winds whipped the flames from 120 acres yesterday afternoon to 25-hundred acres last night.

The repaired space shuttle Columbia is ready to fly again. The presumably leak-free orbiter and its seven-man crew are tentatively set to lift off from Cape Canaveral early Saturday, carrying a 150-Million-dollar battery of telescopes. Engineers plan to begin the countdown to blastoff early Wednesday. Columbia and its sistership Atlantis have been grounded all summer by elusive hydrogen fuel leaks.

Thousands of black South Africans are boycotting work today to honor victims of the last two weeks of violence. The ''stay-away'' was announced by anti-apartheid groups, including the African National Congress. The South African Council of Churches called for prayer and fasting. More than 500 people have been killed in the fighting between two black groups.

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#90239u0984 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - Fierce storms endangered mariners along the Gulf Coast Monday and thick fog blinded drivers in the Middle Atlantic states as steaming temperatures baked much of the South, the East and Midwest.

A late summer heat wave gripped north Texas and Arkansas, pushing the thermometer over 100 degrees and leading the National Weather Service to post heat advisories.

In Texas, dangerous heat covered Waco, Paris, Dallas-Fort Worth and other cities and no breaks were expected through the middle of the week.

Forecasters warned parents of students returning to school Monday that children are usually among the first to suffer from hot weather.

After almost a week of lashing rain and wind and temperatures that dipped into the 60s, vacationers in the the New York area were back on the beaches Monday enjoying some traditional August weather - hazy, hot and humid with temperatures forecast heading for the high 80s and low 90s.

Salina, Kan., was the nation's warmest spot Sunday, checking in at 106 degrees. Wichita, Kan., set a record for the date with a 105 reading, breaking the old mark of 104 established in 1943.

Weather officials said the central section of Kansas can expect extreme hot temperatures later Monday.

The heat wave also hit Arkansas, where afternoon temperatures near 105 were predicted for parts of the southwest section of the state through Tuesday.

Thunderstorms dumped heavy rains Monday in the mouth of Vermillion Bay and

in the Gulf of Mexico waters south of Vermillion and Atchafalaya bays in central southern Louisiana, about 30 miles south of Lafayette.

Dangerous lightning flashed across the bays as forecasters warned of possible waterspouts. Small craft were advised to seek safe harbor.

Isolated showers and thunderstorms stretched across the coastal waters of Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama.

Heavy fog cut visibility to near zero in parts of Kentucky, West Virginia and Wisconsin, but burned off as the day heated up.

In the West, rain fell in California over the northwest region, northern mountains and the northern end of the Sacramento Valley Sunday. Considerable clouds covered the state from the San Francisco Bay area to Lake Tahoe northward, while sunny skies prevailed over central and Southern California.

The unusually early storm system continued to develop well off the southern Oregon and Northern California coasts, while sending clouds and rain inland over the Northern California and southwest Oregon. The storm system was expected to remain offshore through the end of the week, sending clouds and scattered showers mainly over northwest California and the state's northern mountains.

Overall, it was slightly warmer in California, in part because of balmy southern winds ahead of the offshore system.

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#90239u1063 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - The foreign ministers of six east African nations are in Kenya for talks to find ways to stop the region's many civil wars and build economic ties. Ministers fom Ethopia, Kenya, Sudan, Uganda, Somalia and Djibouti are attending the meeting in Nairobi .

New York police say two men were killed while coming to the aid of robbery victims in separate incidents early today. Police say Victor Roman was shot to death after chasing a teen-ager who stole a watch and gold chain. In a second incident, a cab driver was killed when he tried to help a fellow driver being robbed in the Bronx.

The government reports the best showing in personal income in four months. The goverment says personal income rose six tenths of one percent in July, in line with economists' predictions. The report comes at the same time that personal consumption slowed to five-tenths of one percent and the personal savings rate was unchanged at four-point-nine percent.

Vacationers in the New York area can head back to the beach today after nearly a week of lashing rain and wind. Elsewhere, thunderstorms dumped heavy rain today on the Gulf of Mexico waters in central southern Louisiana, about 30 miles south of Lafayette. Small craft in the area were advised to seek safe harbor.

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#90239u1076 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

FORT BRAGG, NC (AUG. 27) UPI - The court-martial of a Fort Bragg soldier who is charged with the murder of a Panamanian soldier began Monday amid charges the prosecution is unfair.

If convicted, Sgt. Enrico Bryan could get a life prison term. The Panama native is the first soldier since the Vietnam war to be charged with murder in combat.

''The Army knows that everybody is watching,'' said Emile A. Milne, an aide to Rep. Charles B. Rangel, D-N.Y., whose office has questioned the Army's motivation for pressing the case against Bryan. ''This one is not behind closed doors.''

Bryan's court-martial began against a backdrop of a full-scale deployment of troops to the Middle East and mounting questions about what lies behind the Army's decision to charge the sergeant.

Concern that Bryan was being prosecuted unfairly intensified this summer after Fort Bragg's commander decided to proceed with the case. Lt. Gen. Gary Luck's decision to recommend a charge of unpremeditated murder came after investigators concluded that the charges should be dropped.

Luck's decision was in opposition to Bryan's commanding officer, Col. Jack P. Nix, who recommended that the charges be dismissed.

Army investigators had recommended a charge of involuntary manslaughter.

The trial should shed some light on the ambiguous question of when deadly force by U.S. troops is warranted. An eyewitness to the shooting is expected to take the stand to describe a fuller picture of what U.S. soldiers encountered during the first chaotic days of the invasion that ousted strongman Manuel Noriega.

The shooting took place December 23 after the beginning of the airborne assault on Panama known as Operation Just Cause.

Bryan claimed he shot the soldier after the Panamanian threw a hand grenade that wounded 10 U.S. soldiers.

The sergeant and other witnesses said Bryan fired the fatal shot as the soldier was about to use a second hand grenade.

However, Lt. Brandon Thomas said the shooting took place as Bryan dragged the Panamanian away from the area.

One of the major problems in the case is that Army officials identify the man only as ''an unidentified Panamanian.''

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#90239u1177 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 27) UPI - Blues guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan and three other musicians were among the five people killed in a helicopter crash early today near East Troy, Wisconsin. A spokesman for Vaughan in New York City says authorities told him Vaughan was on the helicopter that crashed and that there were NO survivors. The 35-year-old Vaughan had just finished a performance at the Alpine Valley Music Theater last night that included rock legend Eric Clapton. Police say Clapton was NOT aboard the helicopter.

The small Persian Gulf state of Qatar today announced that it will allow the deployment of foreign troops on its soil. The move makes Qatar the fifth Gulf state siding against fellow Arab state Iraq in the Gulf crisis. It's NOT immediately known when or what type of foreign forces would be stationed in Qatar. Elsewhere, Amman Radio reports Jordan's King Hussein held more talks with Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi today to find a so-called Arab solution to the crisis.

U-S Embassy sources say a group of 52 American women and children reached Turkey today after they were allowed to leave Baghdad yesterday... but three male members of the party were turned back by Iraqi authorities. The 52 are mainly dependents of U-S Embassy personnel in Kuwait. The sources say the group drove to a NATO air base in southern Turkey to be flown to Frankfurt, Germany, and then on to the United States.

Officials say two firefighters were killed battling a wildfire raging in Utah's Wasatch County. Additional firefighters will join the 400 already on the firelines in a bid to contain the 25-hundred-acre blaze. The wind-whipped flames have destroyed 50 structures and triggered the evacuation of 340 homes on state land in the Devil's Hole area between Midway and Wasatch Mountain State Park.

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(AUG. 27) UPI - Police say a car-bomb explosion today killed six members of the pro-Syrian Shiite Amal militia in southern Lebanon. Police say six members of the Amal militia were in killed instantly when the car they rode in exploded in a village near Sidon , 24 miles south of Beirut. Amal officials said a statement that the rival Iranian-backed Hezbollah militia and Iran were responsible for what the Amal called ''a massacre.''

Florida police say a third woman was found slain in her apartment near Gainesville, about two miles from where two University of Florida co-eds were found dead hours earlier. Police refuse to say whether the slayings are related. An Alachua County deputy found the third woman lying on the floor of her apartment early today, after she failed to report to work for

a midnight shift. Police refused to identify the victim or the cause of death.

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GAINESVILLE, FL (AUG. 27) UPI - A young woman was found slain Monday in her apartment about 2 miles from the building where two University of Florida coeds were found murdered eight hours earlier, authorities said.

An Alachua County deputy discovered the third woman lying on the floor of her apartment about 1 a.m. Monday after she failed to report to work for a midnight shift, said sheriff's spokesman Spencer Mann.

Mann would not release the woman's name or the apparent cause of death, except to say that she had suffered trauma.

There was no word on whether her death was linked to those of the two coeds whose nude bodies were found in their apartment Sunday. However, sheriff's employees said deputies were comparing information with that gathered by city police investigating those killings.

''Obviously, it's a grim day around the university campus for the first day of school today,'' said Angie Tipton, spokesman for the University Police Department.

The victims were all in their late teens or early 20s and lived within 2 miles of each other.

The coeds' bodies were found by police Sunday about 4 p.m. in their apartment about four blocks from campus. The parents of one of the victims called authorities to say they had tried repeatedly to telephone their daughter, and when no one answered, they drove there but could get no one to come to the door.

One of those victims was a freshman from Jacksonville. She was to begin her first day of classes Monday at the University of Florida. The second also was a student, believed to be from the Palm Beach area.

''It's obviously a murder, obviously foul play,'' said police Lt. Sadie Darnell.

Police were withholding the names of both victims until they could identify the second woman, said Darnell. Autopsies were scheduled Monday.

Darnell said the students died either Friday or Saturday.

Jennifer Hayck, who lives across the street at the same apartment complex

where the coeds were found, said she saw one or two people coming from the victims' apartment about 5:45 a.m. Saturday, but she did not recognize them.

Polive called Art Sandeen, vice president of UF student affairs, to the coeds' apartment complex about 7 p.m. Sunday to talk to a crowd of about 100 people who had gathered.

''It's time for people to stand together. I don't think anything like this has ever happened before,'' he said.

He called the killings a tragedy and said university officials were to meet Monday morning to discuss them.

University officials alerted students living in UF dormitories and sororities about the homicides, and university police doubled the number of people assigned to escort students home after dark.

''We have increased patrols for students on campus. We're maintaining a very high profile, both in uniform and plain clothes,'' Tipton said.

Tipton said because authorities were not releasing the names of the victims, university offices were being flooded by calls from frightened parents.

''We have concerned students and concerned faculty and staff and a lot of concerned paeents, and we want to make sure that they understand that this situation is not out of control. ... We're not sure what we have here, but (we want) to reassure students to have good common sense standards,'' Tipton said.

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TOKYO (AUG. 27) UPI - Sources close to the Japanese struggle to find a role for itself in the Middle East crisis said Monday a breakthrough was near and one senior figure said it could come ''in a matter of hours, or at most, days.''

The chances of an active role for Japan increased when a powerful senior politician, Shin Kanemaru, said publicly Monday that failure to do more than contribute money would have negative consequences for the nation.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu has been trying to gain consensus within his party and government on sending personnel to the Middle East for more than two weeks. The Foreign Ministry was anxious for what the sources called an ''unprecendented'' show of Japanese responsibility in the international community.

Ministry officials, aware of mounting criticism abroad over Japan's inaction, had hinted they would be able to unveil some measures before the return of Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama from a Middle East tour.

But Nakayama returned Saturday and nothing was announced.

Kaifu met Sunday with Ichiro Ozawa, a key figure in the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, but was still unable to do more than announce he wants to wrap up the process by midweek.

Conservative, isolationist elements within the party and nearly every ministry have dragged their feet, analysts said.

''There are tremendous domestic political constraints,'' said political scientist Seizaburo Sato, an adviser to former Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone. ''But I believe the Japanese government will make a breakthrough in a matter of hours, or at most, days.''

Sato recalled that Nakasone, whose power-base was far greater than Kaifu's was unable to win support in 1987 for sending a minesweeper to the Persian Gulf at the time of an international effort to protect shipping there during the Iran-Iraq war.

''This is a golden opportunity for Japan to change its policy,'' Sato said adding he believes the government will send medical personnel, logistical support and desalinization equipment to supply fresh water to the U.S.-led multinational forces confronting Iraq.

But James C. Abegglen, an experienced consultant on Japan, said that while Kanemaru's support will help Kaifu, the government may be forced to seek new legislation to gain the authority and funding for those kind of actions.

''People don't realize how little power the prime minister has. His discretionary budget is miniscule. It is petty cash,'' Abegglen said.

Going to Parliament would mean a battling the Japan Socialist Party, which has already declared its opposition to sending personnel overseas.

Japan's long-standing reluctance to engage in active foreign policy stems largely from horror of its militaristic adventurism earlier in this century, which ended in Japan's defeat in World War II.

The nation's postwar constitution, drafted by the United States, renounces the right to use force in settling international disputes.

Additionally, Japanese have long felt that crises such as the current one

are somebody else's problem - unless Japanese lives are at stake.

Iraq's transfer of 20 Japanese men from a Baghdad hotel where they were being held to an unknown location Saturday has complicated the government's task of reaching consensus on sending personnel, analysts said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-83.00 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 134.00-140.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $265.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.00-$115.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $476.75-$481.50; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $114.00-$122.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 284.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) UPI - Sales of existing homes were up 3.3 in July for the second straight monthly increase on a steady decline in mortgage rates, the National Association of Realtors said Monday.

The Federal Home Loan Mortgage Co. - Freddie Mac - reported the average rate on a 30-year conventional fixed rate mortgage slipped to 9.98 percent from 10.06 percent last month.

But the median price for an existing home in the United States inched up by 0.9 percent in July to $98,400, according to a survey by the trade group representing 800,000 members of the real estate industry. July sales calculated at an annual rate, stood at 3.44 million homes.

Although the two consecutive monthly increases in resales appeared to signal renewed strength in the housing economy, realtors president Norman Flynn warned the volatile situation in the Middle East is causing problems. "Iraq's craziness will be felt in U.S. housing markets," Flynn said.

But John Tuccillo, chief economist for the association, said a benefit of the latest Persian Gulf crisis is that the housing market in Texas and other parts of the Southwest will strengthen as oil prices surge. "Rising oil prices will push up real estate values in those areas," Tuccillo predicted.

By region, sales of existing homes:

- Jumped 14.3 percent in the economically depressed Northeast, where the median prices dipped to $143,300 from June;
- Increased 6.9 percent in the South, in part to the oil-related activity in the Southwest. The median price rose to $88,900;
- Plunged 10.3 percent in the West on weaker activity in coastal housing markets in California. The median price increased to $141,500;
- Slid to 3.1 percent in the Midwest, but nonetheless, continued to show signs of strength. The median price edged up to $76,300.

Looking ahead, the National Association of Realtors said it is not forecasting a long-term increase in rates and expects another spurt in resale activity in the final months of the year.

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#90239u1311 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 27) UPI - The small Persian Gulf state of Qatar today became the fifth Arab state to turn against fellow Arab nation Iraq. Qatar announced that it will permit the deployment of foreign forces on its soil in a bid to solve the gulf crisis. The announcement came as Iraq's ambassador was summoned to the State Department. A source says the topic of discussion was- quote- ''restrictions to be placed on the Iraqi embassy in the United States'' in retaliation for Iraq's decision to keep three young male dependents of U-S diplomats from leaving Baghdad.

In Tokyo, sources say Japan is on the verge of a breakthrough it its effort to find an active role for itself in the Middle East crisis. One senior Japanese figure says it could come ''in a matter of hours, or at most, days.'' The possibility increased today when a powerful senior politician said publicly that failure to do more than contribute money would have negative consequences for Japan.

Blues guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan was killed in a helicopter crash this morning near East Troy, Wisconsin, southwest of Milwaukee. The chopper carrying Vaughan, Eric Clapton's booking agent, two members of Clapton's crew and the pilot went down following a concert at Alpine Valley Music Theater. Officials say all aboard were killed. A spokesman for Vaughan in New York City says authorities believe the helicopter hit a man-made ski hill.

Two citizen's groups want a Pennsylvania coroner to re-open an investigation into the death of political activist Abbie Hoffman for signs that he was driven to suicide by a controversial drug. The groups say Hoffman took the anti-depressant drug Prozac six weeks before he died April 12th 1989. The groups cite a Harvard study that found three percent of Prozac users developed suicidal thought that lasted up to three months after taking the drug.

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#90239u1315 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (AUG. 27) UPI - Palestinian families and institutions face economic hard times during the Persian Gulf crisis as the flow of money from the gulf into the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip dries up.

Arab institutions such as hospitals and schools that are heavily dependent on Kuwaiti government funding are already in dire straits.

''We have been acutely affected,'' said a spokesman for Mokassed Hospital, East Jerusalem's main Arab medical institution. ''Seventy-five percent of the budget used to come from Kuwait, something around $15 million. ... We can manage for just the coming two months.''

Israeli security sources predicted Monday that Palestinian families will begin to feel the loss of income from the gulf in a month or two. Their family members working in Iraq and especially in Kuwait will not be sending home their usual income and families in the gulf territories will wear through theirsavings.

''There will be a strong effect on the flow of funds from the gulf, but at the moment it is not being felt,'' said one security official. ''Money is still coming in from Jordan, and people still have money in their pockets from last month's salary.''

Before Iraqi tanks rolled into the oil-rich Kuwait Aug. 2, Palestinians living in the territories received about $125 million annually from family members working in gulf countries. As many as 400,000 of the 750,000 Palestinians employed in the gulf worked in Kuwait.

With a U.N. economic embargo, the flow of money into the West Bank and Gaza Strip is expected to drop significantly. An estimated 20,000 skilled Arabs suddenly unemployed as a result of the gulf crisis are expected to return home, Israeli security sources said Monday.

Despite the prospect of economic hardship, many Palestinians remain stubborn supporters of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, who enjoys wide popularity as a strong Arab leader.

''We will not be influenced if the money is no longer coming,'' said Jalil Salah, 65, of Gaza City, whose two sons employed in Kuwait have stopped sending money home. ''We can eat salt and black bread, and all the world's wealth will not stop us from supporting Saddam Hussein because he wants to distribute the (oil) money to all the Arabs.''

Salah's son Ahmed, 35, worked in a Kuwaiti bank while another son, Kamal, 37, is the director of a construction company in Kuwait.

''My sons have worked there since 1980. Within 10 years we succeeded in building a new house and improving our living conditions,'' he said. ''Their support was high. They used to send me $7,000 each half a year. But now this amount has stopped coming.''

In order to replace lost funding, Arab hospital officials have begun approaching Western nations and plan to send a delegation to Saudi Arabia, a Mokassed Hospital spokesman said.

Another institution severely affected is the Abu Dis College of Science just outside Jerusalem in the West Bank. The college is almost entirely dependent on money from Kuwait. Last week, college officials decided to sell bank shares owned by the school in order to pay faculty during the

fall term.

Many other charitable and educational Palestinian institutions also will have to make do with less. No longer can officials travel to Kuwait, seeking funding for special projects, such as a new classroom or roof.

Many Palestinians whose savings were in Kuwaiti dinars have had their nest eggs almost halved by the Iraqi devaluation of the currency. The Jordanian dinar, held by many Palestinians, also has slipped in value in the occupied territories because of the unstable situation.

Another check on the Palestinian economy will be Israeli restrictions on Palestinian exports to Jordan that might make their way to Iraq.

Nevertheless, Palestinians have become used to living on less during the Palestinian intifada or uprising. Before the intifada began in December 1987, $400 million arrived annually from family members the gulf. But the Israeli army has succeeded in sharply reducing that amount as part of its campaign to suppress the uprising.

Khalil Rekhawi, 68, whose son Salem sent home $2,000 every six months from his engineer's salary, was confident he could weather further deprivations.

''The money is not essential. We are used to economizing because of the intifada,'' he said as he sold cigarettes and candy from a roadside stand in Gaza City. ''We can live on the money we saved in the past. We will not die of starvation.''

Samir Hulaileh, a Palestinian economist at the Economic Development Group in Jerusalem, played down the economic impact and forecast political gains from the return to the West Bank of educated Arabs.

''The loss is there. We will be affected. But it won't be dramatic,'' he said. ''More and more Palestinians will be coming here. This is very positive.''

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#90239u1334 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - Qatar announced Monday it would permit the deployment of foreign forces on its soil, becoming the fifth Persian Gulf state siding against fellow Arab nation Iraq in a bid to solve the gulf crisis.

In Washington, Iraqi ambassador Mohamed al-Mashat was called to the State Department this morning to meet with acting Secretary Lawrence Eagleburger about Iraq's decision to stop three young male dependents of U.S. diplomats from leaving Iraq early Monday. The subject was ''restrictions to be placed on the Iraqi embassy in the United States,'' a source said.

Jordan's King Hussein meanwhile held more talks in Tripoli Monday with Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi to find a so-called Arab solution to the standoff, Amman Radio reported.

Libya opposed Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, but also joined Iran in calling for the withdrawal of U.S.-led Western forces from the gulf. Most members of the Arab League including Egypt have opposed what they said was Iraqi ''aggression.''

It was not immediately known when or what type of foreign forces would be stationed in Qatar, a small peninsula state in the gulf with Saudi Arabia as its eastern neighbor. Qatar is allied with Kuwait as part of the six-member Gulf Cooperation Council, which also includes the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Bahrain and Saudi Arabia.

In other developments:

-Iraq forced Lebanese diplomats in Kuwait to go to Baghdad, but then allowed them to head home, Lebanese officials said. Lebanese Foreign Ministry sources said ambassador Adnan Badra and his diplomatic team were en route to Lebanon.

-An Iraqi diplomat in Beijing said China had evacuated its staff from Kuwait and moved them to Baghdad. The Iraqi diplomat said he could not confirm reports that invading Iraqi troops had stormed the Chinese embassy compound. There was no immediate confirmation from China's foreign ministry.

-Hungary closed its embassy in Kuwait after resisting for three days an Iraqi order to close down the mission. Hungary was among some 20 countries that refused to obey Baghdad's order to shut down their embassies.

-Ministers of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries huddled for a second day in Vienna to discuss raising oil output quotas.

-In Baghdad, a government-run Iraqi newspaper described foreign nationals being held in Iraq and Kuwait against their will were Iraq's ''second kind of weapon'' after military hardware.

Saddam has said foreigners will be held at key military and economic sites in Iraq and Kuwait to guard against attack by Western forces, which were dispatched to the gulf region after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Fifty-two U.S. Embassy dependents, in good condition and looking ''very, very happy,'' arrived Monday in Turkey after driving in a convoy of 13 cars from Baghdad. But three young male dependents, who had been with the group, were prevented by Iraqi officials from crossing the border.

The Americans - most of them wives and children of U.S. diplomats stationed in Kuwait - crossed the border into Turkey at 2 a.m. Monday, a U.S. official said. They were met by U.S. diplomats and plans were under way for the journey home.

''Their conditions were very normal,'' a Turkish Interior Ministry employee said of the Americans. ''They looked very, very happy.''

The Americans had traveled to Baghdad from Kuwait last week after Iraq ordered all foreign embassies in the occupied city to close. The United States, along with most other countries, defied the order but sent most of its personnel to Baghdad, leaving behind a skeleton staff in Kuwait.

The release of the Americans followed an appeal by King Hussein and intensive contacts between U.S. Embassy officials and the Iraqi Foreign Ministry. Iraq had said it would hold the group until the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait was completely closed - something the United States has refused to do because it would be a tacit admission that Iraq's annexation of the oil-rich emirate was successful.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar will meet Thursday with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Amman, Jordan, to try to solve ''in all its aspects the critical situation in Iraq and Kuwait,'' a U.N. spokesman said.

Diplomatic efforts to end the conflict continued with Egypt's foreign minister in Moscow.

In a message possibly signaling a stiffening resolve to round up Western foreigners, Iraq's ruling Revolutionary Command Council announced anyone found hiding foreigners would be executed because the government considered such action, a ''crime of espionage,'' the Iraqi News Agency reported.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 27) UPI - Sharp gains in the stock market and lower prices for crude oil, gold and silver pressured the grain market.

Grain and soybean futures were lower at midmorning on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Favorable weather conditions during the weekend and forecasts for good growing weather this week also weighed on corn and soybean values. In addition, traders expected some improvement in the condition of the corn and soybean crops in the weekly surveys.

Trading was active early in the session with locals and professionals dominating the selling across the floor.

Wheat was lower in line with losses in corn and soybeans. Wheat also were pressured by the lack of export business and a large crop around the world.

Country movement was light to moderate.

Interior and Gulf basis levels were mixed.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.54 3/4 off 3; Dec 2.46 off 4 1/4; Mar 2.55 off 4.

Soybeans Sep 6.23 off 7; Nov 6.37 off 7 1/2; Jan 6.50 1/2 off 7 3/4; Mar 6.64 1/4 off 7 1/4.

Wheat Sep 2.83 1/2 off 1 1/4; Dec 2.97 3/4 off 1 3/4; Mar 3.08 1/4 off 1 3/4.

Oats Sep 1.14 1/2 off 3 1/2; Dec 1.27 off 3 3/4; Mar 1.38 off 3 1/2.

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NAIROBI, Kenya (AUG. 27) UPI - Kenyan police Monday arrested prominent Kenyan lawyer and magazine editor Gitobu Imanyara, a leading advocate of multi-party democracy, for the third time in two months, Imanyara's office said.

A spokeswoman for the lawyer, already charged with sedition, said Imanyara was arrested again when he went Monday morning to report routinely to the Kenyan police.

The latest charge against him is theft of a client's money in 1984, the spokeswoman said. His office was attempting to raise bail of $8,800, she added.

A longtime advocate of freedom of speech and multi-party democracy, Imanyara was first detained in early July when the government began to clamp down after a six-month period of freer political debate. At least 12 other supporters of multi-party politics were arrested with him.

Imanyara was released Jul. 25 with other lawyers, but he was immediately re-arrested and charged with publishing seditious material, the May edition of his controversial magazine, Nairobi Law Monthly.

The May edition, which advertised itself as a ''souvenir issue'' on the multi-party debate, carried on its cover a cartoon of the two-finger salute that has come to symbolize support for more than one party in Kenya. Articles in the magazine also called for the government's resignation.

The sedition trial is due to begin Sept. 14.

Kenya has been a constitutional one-party state since 1982, but in practice has had only one party, the Kenya African National Union, since 1969.

Concern at the spate of detentions in July led the United States to halve military aid to Kenya.

A banned gathering in support of a multi-party system July 7 degenerated into rioting that lasted five days and left at least 25 people dead.

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(AUG. 27) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock				
Natl Gas & Oil Co	..	7PC	12-17	11-26
Usual				
Baltimore Gas & El	Q	.52 1/2	10-1	9-10
Collins Foods Intl	Q	.05	10-12	9-26
Community Psych Cntrs	Q	.09	10-10	9-10
Dexter Corp	Q	.22	10-10	9-14
Dibrell Brothers	Q	.20	9-14	9-7
Edwards (AG) Inc	Q	.17	10-1	9-7
Elmira Savings Bank	Q	.10	9-24	9-4
Farm & Home Fncl	Q	.07 1/2	9-28	9-7
First United Bancshrs	Q	.25	9-28	9-7
Florida Progress	Q	.66	9-20	9-5
Huffy Corp	Q	.10	11-1	10-15
Intl Aluminum Corp	Q	.25	10-10	9-20
Isco Inc	Q	.05	10-2	9-14
Morgan Keegan Inc	Q	.05	10-15	9-7
NS Group	Q	.03	9-28	9-6
Natl Gas & Oil Co	Q	.10	9-24	9-10

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

#90239u1402 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

SRINAGAR, India (AUG. 27) UPI - Moslem militants waging a bloody independence campaign in the Kashmir Valley assassinated a former state legislator and wounded a political leader early Monday as they walked home from a wedding party, police said.

They said three militants armed with handguns approached Nazir Ahmad Niloora and his companion, Gulshan Qadiri, about 1 a.m. near the village of Wachi, about 30 miles south of Srinagar.

The gunmen opened fire, killing Niloora, a member of the National Conference party and a former Jammu and Kashmir state legislator, and wounding Qadiri, president of the local Janata Dal party, police said.

Qadiri was listed in serious condition at a local hospital, they said.

The two men were walking home after attending a wedding party when the attack occurred, police said.

A lawyer who was acquainted with Niloora said militants had asked the former state lawmaker to resign from the National Conference and publicly announce his support for the militants' independence movement.

Niloora refused to comply and was probably killed for that reason, the lawyer said.

Kashmiris believe the National Conference party was corrupt and came to power in 1987 through rigged elections. Its government was dismissed earlier this year and the state was placed under the direct control of New Delhi.

Thousands of National Conference party workers and some former legislators have resigned from the party over the past several months and announced their support for independence for Kashmir through local newspapers.

Niloora and Qadiri are the latest victims of a bloody independence movement that has been underway in the northern Kashmir Valley, home to the region's 4 million Moslems, since mid-January when security forces opened fire on demonstrators, killing at least 35 people.

Since then, at least 700 people have been killed in near-daily assassinations, bombings and battles between security forces and militants.

The militants, who enjoy broad support from the Moslem community in Kashmir, believe that separation from India is necessary because of years of discrimination against Kashmiri Moslems by successive Hindu-dominated administrations in New Delhi.

The central government has deployed tens of thousands of soldiers and paramilitary forces to the region but the move has failed to crush the uprising.

The crisis has also caused many political observers to fear war could erupt between India and Pakistan.

New Delhi has repeatedly accused its Islamic neighbor of arming and training militants active in Kashmir. Islamabad denies the allegation, but admits to offering moral support to the movement.

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#90239u1410 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

VIENNA (AUG. 27) UPI - OPEC ministers huddled behind closed doors for a second day Monday as Iran and other key members resisted efforts to convene an extraordinary formal conference to raise oil output quotas.

The informal talks in the Austrian capital are considered one of the critical moments in the 30-year history of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, which has been plunged into crisis by the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Saudi Arabia and Venezuela are seeking OPEC's blessing to begin boosting oil production to compensate for a worldwide shortfall of nearly 5 million barrels a day resulting from U.N. sanctions against Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude.

But the two countries have made clear they will increase production regardless of what OPEC decides.

The Washington Post Monday cited informed oil sources saying the Saudi government has already ordered its state-owned oil company, Saudi Aramco, to begin increasing production, but has not set a new ceiling. The dispatch from Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, said the order was issued early last week.

Iran and its allies oppose any steps that might lower oil prices, which have risen nearly $10 above the $21 target price set by 13-member cartel at its last formal conference a month ago.

''I think this is not the necessary time to increase production - maybe in the future, if we change the situation, but not now,'' Iranian Minister of Petroleum Gholamreza Aghazadeh said during a lunch recess.

Earlier he told reporters it was ''not necessary to have formal meetings'' to boost output quotas.

Iraq and Libya, who also oppose raising quotas, have been absent from the talks so far. But OPEC sources said the two countries would likely send representatives to a formal conference, and said Libya's oil minister may arrive in Vienna as early as Monday evening.

Kuwait's government-in-exile was represented at the talks by former oil minister and current Finance Minister Ali Khalifa Al-Sabah. The new Kuwaiti oil minister, Rasheed Al Ameeri, was in the Indonesian capital for an official visit. He told a news conference in Jakarta his government supports raising output quotas.

''Kuwait encourages other producing countries in OPEC to produce to make up for this lost production in order to stablize the market and reach a reasonable price,'' Al-Ameeri said.

A third group, said to include Indonesia and Algeria, is proposing a compromise solution in which quotas could be raised but not enough to completely erase the shortfall.

''The form of the conference is not the fundamental issue. The fundamental problem is to find solutions for the problems OPEC is facing,'' said Gabon's Jean Ping.

OPEC, which pumps about 40 percent of the world's crude oil, tries to control prices by regulating the production of its members.

A leading Japanese oil executive, Cosmo Oil Chairman Yoshiro Nakayama, urged the cartel to take steps to lower oil prices to the ''reasonable level'' of $21 a barrel, the OPEC News Agency reported Monday from the United Arab Emirates. Nakayama noted the disastrous economic impact of previous oil price shocks in 1973 and 1979.

''From our experience, an artificial, drastic price increase is not good for the world economy,'' he was quoted as saying during a visit to the U.A.E. capital Abu Dhabi.

Sunday, Venezuela's oil minister, Celestino Armas, said it was crucial a decision be reached within the framework of the current meeting because of the danger some nations could unilaterally increase production.

''We think a decision should be taken ... because not to take a decision is a decision in itself,'' Armas said.

He proposed that losses in production stemming from the gulf crisis should be offset through a combination of increased oil production by both OPEC and non-OPEC countries, a gradual drawdown of existing stocks and the release of strategic oil reserves held by United States and other

countries.

Earlier this month, the United States and other industrialized nations declined in a Paris meeting to drain oil from their strategic reserves, saying a supply crisis did not exist.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 27) UPI - Bulk selling prices reported by USDA:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 55-61.

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BONN (AUG. 27) UPI - West German oil distributors Monday hiked gasoline pump prices by 14 cents a gallon, the third hike since Iraq invaded Kuwait.

Officials attributed the move to the fact that spot prices for oil in Rotterdam had gone up by almost 49 cents between Aug. 2 and Aug. 24.

With the latest increase, a gallon of unleaded regular now costs about $3.08 retail in West Germany.

Last week, the pump price was raised 9.6 cents a gallon after an earlier 14 cent a-gallon hike.

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(AUG. 27) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Aug. 27:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen pc	1pm	71	22
Amsterdam c	1pm	75	24
Ankara c	3pm	79	26
Athens c	2pm	91	33
Auckland c	12a	47	08
Beijing r	8pm	68	20

Beirut c	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	76	24
Bonn c	1pm	79	26
Brussels c	1pm	70	21
Cairo	2pm	-	-
Casablanca c	12n	89	32
Copenhagen pc	1pm	65	19
Dakar cy	12n	87	30
Dublin pc	1pm	72	22
Geneva pc	1pm	75	24
Helsinki c	2pm	62	17
Hong Kong r	8pm	86	30
Jerusalem pc	2pm	79	26
Karachi pc	5pm	86	30
Lisbon c	1pm	80	26
London cy	1pm	71	22
Madrid c	1pm	85	29
Malta c	1pm	-	-
Manila r	8pm	80	26
Moscow r	3pm	47	09
Nairobi cy	3pm	71	22
Nassau r	7am	79	26
New Delhi pc	6pm	94	35
Nice cy	1pm	77	25
Oslo cy	1pm	64	18
Paris c	1pm	79	26
Pretoria c	2pm	80	27
Riyadh	3pm	-	-
Rome cy	1pm	77	25
Seoul c	9pm	80	27
Sofia c	2pm	83	28
Stockholm cy	1pm	66	19
Sydney r	10pm	52	11
Taipei c	8pm	82	28
Tokyo pc	9pm	80	27
Tunis pc	1pm	87	31
Vienna c	1pm	82	28
Warsaw pc	1pm	67	19

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	50	10
Caracas cy	8am	70	21
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	58	15
Mexico City hz	6am	54	12
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	76	24
Santiago cy	8am	43	06

Canada

Calgary c	60	15
Edmonton c	56	13
Montreal c	85	29
Ottawa cy	86	30
Regina fy	64	18
Toronto c	87	30
Vancouver c	71	21
Winnipeg pc	75	23

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90239u1428 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

SOWETO, South Africa (AUG. 27) UPI - Tens of thousands of workers and students in the nation's largest black city of Soweto and other townships staged a boycott Monday to honor victims of two weeks of internecine violence that left more than 500 dead.

As more than 10,000 people turned out for the burial of eight victims killed in street battles in black areas near Johannesburg, police declared that special emergency measures imposed on Friday ''have had the desired effect. Peace has returned to these strife-torn areas.''

A call by the African National Congress and aligned movements for a ''stayaway'' or work boycott to coincide with the funerals drew widespread support Monday. Many businesses were closed and tens of thousands of workers did not report for work in Johannesburg and other industrial satellite cities, according to transportation surveys.

Department of Education Regional Director Peet Struwig told state-run radio most schools in black townships east of Johannesburg were empty and that there was a ''complete stayaway'' from schools in Soweto.

Nearly 5,000 people filled Soweto's Jabulani Stadium for a midday service for six people who died in the sprawling city in clashes between supporters of the ANC, many of them Xhosas, and the rival Zulu movement Inkatha.

The stadium shook to the rhythmic foot-stomping of the predominantly youthful crowd, many dressed in military-style khaki.

The six coffins, placed in front of the stage and draped in traditional Xhosa blankets, were carried after the ceremony to nearby Avalon cemetery, where they were buried with two others, as more than 10,000 mourners watched.

People filed past the graves tossing in soil, and hundreds chanted anti-government slogans. But the crowd dispersed peacefully after the burial, ignoring scores of police and soldiers watching from a distance.

Heavily armed black soldiers ringed the stadium during the funeral services and a police helicopter hovered overhead, but no incidents were reported.

A police spokesman put the death toll in Soweto alone at 126 after three people died over the weekend of injuries sustained in earlier fighting.

Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu, joined on stage by ANC veteran Walter Sisulu and a khaki-clad Winnie Mandela, wife of ANC leader Nelson Mandela, addressed the crowd and blamed the outbreak of violence on the South African police.

''They (police) say the cause of the fighting is tribalism. That is a lie '' Tutu said, before leading the crowd in chants of ''I am proud I am black'' and ''We want peace.''

The clashes, which erupted two weeks ago and left at least 515 dead and some 1,500 wounded, drew a massive clampdown by the government of President Frederik de Klerk on Friday and the imposition of special emergency security laws.

Relative calm appeared to have returned to the townships over the weekend as troops carried out weapons seizures and patrolled hardest-hit areas. In a statement Monday, police again denied the allegations of impartiality.

''As the police have said right from the start, the allegations are malicious, propagandistic lies,'' the statement said. ''It would be to the benefit of all concerned if those who falsely accuse the S.A. police, rather direct their efforts to finding solutions for ending the conflict.''

Also Monday, seven buses carrying some 300 Xhosa people arrived in Johannesburg from the nominally independent tribal homeland of Transkei to help identify bodies still unclaimed in township mortuaries.

A spokesman at the homeland's consulate in Johannesburg said the passengers were relatives of missing Xhosa migrant workers who may have

died in the violence.

''Most of these people have just been informed that their relatives are missing here,'' said the spokesman. ''We expect them to go out to various mortuaries to identify the bodies of their relatives.''

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 61-64.

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#90239u1474 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 27) UPI - The State Department retaliated against Iraq today. The department announced the expulsion of 36 Iraqi diplomats from Washington because of Iraq's actions against Americans in Kuwait and Iraq. The announcement also held open the possibility of further moves against Iraq. State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said the Iraqi embassy in Washington will be forced to send 36 diplomats home as quickly as possible... leaving a total of 19 diplomatic personnel in Washington. That's exactly the same number of American diplomats left operating in Kuwait and Iraq.

In another development, U-N Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar will meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Amman, Jordan, on Thursday. A U-N spokesman says the meeting will be an attempt to solve- in his words- ''in all its aspects the critical situation in Iraq and Kuwait.''

Officials say blues guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan was killed today with four other people when a helicopter crashed into a Wisconsin hillside at the Alpine Valley Music Theater. Also killed were the booking agent for rock star Eric Clapton, two members of Clapton's crew and the pilot. The crash occurred after Vaughan had finished a concert with Clapton and guitarist Robert Cray.

Freed Irish hostage Brian Keenan is undergoing tests for arsenic poisoning at a hospital in Dublin. Doctors say they is NO evidence that Keenan was poisoned by his Lebanese captors, but former American Frank Reed suggested he be tested anyway. Reed was poisoned shortly before his own release.

The Soviet newspaper Izvestia reports the number three reactor at the Chernobyl nuclear power plant was shut down today because of a partial failure of its control system. The report said the shutdown did NOT breach safety at the reactor... which is next to the unit that exploded in 1986 in the worst atomic energy accident in history.

Authorities say a bomb exploded outside Manila today near a food company owned by the Philippine trade secretary. NO one was hurt. The pre-dawn blast was the sixth in two weeks aimed at the secretary... who's been accused of corruption. Rebel soldiers seeking to oust the government recently announced a resumption of hostilities.

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#90239u1481 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) UPI - A Federal Reserve Board survey of senior bank loan officers indicated Monday there is further evidence of a credit crunch on American businesses of all sizes seeking to borrow money.

Lending for commercial real estate was also off as that hard-hit market disintegrated across the country, according to the survey of 78 banks.

''The results ... suggest that the weakness in growth of commercial and industrial loans this year owes in some part to a reduced willingness on the part of banks to lend,'' the survey said.

In mid-July, Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan told the Senate Banking Committee that banks appeared to be lending less to U.S. businesses. The latest survey confirms his testimony and data from other sources.

The survey blamed the crunch on more conservative banking practices in the aftermath of the savings and loan crisis, the general slowing of the domestic economy after years of strong growth and problems in specific industries.

''Domestic respondent banks indicated that since May they have further tightened lending standards and terms'' on business loans not tied to mergers and acquisitions, the Fed said.

''The tighter stance was particularly noticeable for lending to middle-market firms but was significant for larger and smaller firms as well,'' the survey indicated.

''Branches and agencies of foreign banks reported that, on balance, they too have moved to restrict the availability of business credit,'' the Fed said.

No changes were reported in the willingness of financial institutions to loan money to U.S. households through credit cards and other consumer instruments, but the survey found less ''enthusiasm'' for home-equity loans.

''This apparent relative de-emphasis on home-equity lending ... may be attributable to a number of factors, including some recent slowing in the appreciation of home prices and increases in delinquency rates on home-equity lines of credit,'' the survey said.

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#90239u1482 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (AUG. 27) UPI - Brown & Root Marine, the world's largest marine engineering company, said Monday it will shift most of its business focus from offshore construction to engineering, project management and technology development.

The company, a unit of Brown & Root Inc., already has sold 23 offshore construction vessels operating in the Far East, Middle East and Gulf of Mexico, and a fabrication yard in Bahrain.

Offshore Pipelines Inc. of Houston bought the assets for $77.2 million.

In 1989, the assets sold generated 20 percent of Brown & Root Marine's revenues and 5 percent of its parent company's revenues, the company said.

The asset sale allows Brown & Root to focus on enhancing its engineering, project management and technology development business, the company said.

The company will reassign its marine construction management team to those areas, while continuing to offer total marine project management capability through joint ventures and subcontractors.

''Our driving interest for the 90s is to harness the imagination of our work force to find new, reliable, low-cost solutions to the challenges of offshore petroleum production,'' said Larry Farmer, managing director of Brown & Root Marine.

''We're seeing an increasing number of offshore developments in nearly all parts of the world. And we expect this trend to continue well into the 90s. These markets are growing technologically more sophisticated and greater emphasis is being placed on cost-savings, quality, productivity and safety.''

Brown & Root Marine is retaining its interests in Rockwater Ltd., the world's largest subsea construction company; European Marine Contractors, a leading North Sea pipeline contractor; Highlands Fabricators, a builder

of North Sea platforms; and P.T. Gema SemBrown, a joint venture in Indonesia that operates Sunda Straits fabrication yard.

''In the North Sea, they will retain vessels and the fabricating yard there and continue working as always,'' spokesman Max Watson said. ''The vessels in the North Sea are a little higher tech, so they have retained the capability to directly provide those services in harsh environments.''

Brown & Root Marine also will continue to operate a fabrication facility in Houston.

Brown & Root Marine pioneered the marine engineering and construction industry in 1947, and has recorded a number of ''firsts,'' including fabrication and installation of the first offshore platform and first offshore pipeline in the North Sea.

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#90239u1483 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - Tens of thousands of workers and students in South Africa's black townships today stayed away from work and school to mourn victims of two weeks of tribal violence that left more than 500 dead. More than 10-thousand people turned out for the burial of eight victims killed in street battles near Johannesburg.

Kenyan police today reportedly arrested a leading advocate of multi-party democracy for the third time in two months. A spokesman for the prominent Kenyan lawyer and magazine editor says he was arrested as he reported routinely to police. The latest charge against him is theft of a client's money in 1984.

Authorities today said two firefighters have been killed in a volatile blaze between Midway, Utah, and Wasatch Mountain State Park. The flames also have consumed 50 structures and caused the evacuation of 340 homes. The fire started in thick oak brush and exploded rapidly in winds of up to 40 miles an hour.

The F-B-I is trying to track down a man charged with abducting his three children in a raid on a synagogue in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Four kidnappers bound and gagged the children's supervisor. Israeli courts had awarded custody of the children to the man... but a Virginia Beach court has granted custody to the mother.

Islanders in the northeastern Caribbean breathed a sigh of relief today as hurricane warnings for the area were dropped. The winds of Hurricane Gustav had whipped up to 105 miles an hour... but the system turned away from the islands. Tropical storm warnings remained in effect for the area of Antigua and Barbuda.

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#90239u1493 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

DOYLESTOWN, PA (AUG. 27) UPI - Two citizens groups Monday asked the Bucks County coroner to reopen an investigation into the death of political activist Abbie Hoffman for signs that he was driven to suicide by a controversial anti-depressant.

Hoffman had taken the drug Prozac six weeks before he was found dead on April 12, 1989 in his Solebury Township apartment, the Citizens Commission on Human Rights and the Prozac Survivors Support Group said in a letter to the coroner.

County coroner Thomas Rosko's autopsy showed Hoffman, a founder of the 1960s anti-war Yippie movement, died from an overdose of the sedative phenobarbitol and alcohol.

In their letter, the groups cite a Harvard study linking the drug to obsessive suicidal thoughts. Published in the February edition of the American Journal of Psychiatry, the study found that 3 1/2 percent of Prozac users developed suicidal thoughts that lasted up to three months after taking the drug.

The maker of Prozac, Eli Lilly and Co. of Indianapolis, has admitted the drug can cause a restless, agitated state that can have violent side effects, the groups said.

At least six lawsuits seeking more than $300 million have been filed against Eli Lilly in connection with alleged Prozac-induced murders, self-mutilations and attempted suicides, the groups said.

Hoffman, who was 52 years old when he died, used Prozac for two weeks in February 1989 and then stoppped, the groups said citing information in the June 1990 edition of the magazine Mother Jones.

''We have been contacted by hundreds of people who have been turned suicidal by Prozac and continued these obsessive suicidal thoughts for months after coming off the drug,'' said Sanford Block, executive director of the Los Angeles-based commission, which is part of the Church of Scientology.

''Abbie Hoffman fits the pattern and could well have been driven to suicide by Prozac,'' Block said.

The letter urges Rosko to contact Hoffman's friends and relatives to determine his moods and behavior before the suicide.

Rosko said the letter provided no new information and was unlikely to cause him to seek more information on Hoffman's death.

''The facts still seem to be that he died of a drug overdose and the death was suicide,'' Rosko said. ''Whether the suicide was caused by the medication used or despondency over a personal situation is not really a matter for the county coroner to investigate.''

Hoffman made his reputation as an anti-war activist first by helping to found the Youth International Party, known as the Yippies, and then as a member of the Chicago Seven who were convicted of organizing violent demonstrations at the Democratic National Convention in 1968.

Hoffman was a fugitive from the law on cocaine charges for seven years before surrendering in 1980. He moved to Bucks County in the mid-1980s to oppose a controversial water project.

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#90239u1504 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 27) UPI - The No. 3 reactor at the Chernobyl nuclear power plant was shut down Monday because of a partial failure of its control system, the Izvestia newspaper said.

The shutdown did not cause any ''breaches of the limits of safe operation'' at the sister reactor of the No. 4 unit that exploded in April 1986 in the worst atomic energy accident in history, Izvestia said.

The newspaper quoted Nikolai Steinberg, deputy chairman of the Soviet Atomic Energy Safety Committee, as saying personnel stopped the operation of the No. 3 reactor at 7:30 a.m. Moscow time.

Steinberg told Izvestia ''the operation of the control system of the third reactor was partially violated because of a malfunctioning in the electrical system.''

''Personnel stopped the reactor in full correspondence with the technical rules of operation,'' the newspaper said.

The No. 3 reactor shared cooling and ventilation systems with the No. 4 unit and was more contaminated in the 1986 explosion. It was shut down for more than a year after the accident, opening in July 1987.

The No. 2 reactor was briefly closed for unspecified repairs in January of this year.

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#90239u1511 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

GDANSK, POLAND (AUG. 27) UPI - Solidarity union leader Lech Walesa returned home Monday after briefing Pope John Paul II in Rome on the situation in Poland.

''I am satisfied with the visit,'' Walesa told the reporters on landing in the Gdansk Rebiechowo airport.

''My battery has been charged (for further acitivity),'' he said.

Walesa spoke for three hours with the pope and told him Poland's new democratic society is '' full of hopes for the future.''

Walesa, on a two-day visit to Italy, attended a mass with the pope in a chapel dedicated to the Black Madonna of Czestochowa, regarded by Polish Roman Catholics as the protector of the nation.

''Walesa gave the pope a panoramic account of the present situation in Poland 10 years after the birth of the Solidarity union,'' chief Vatican spokesman Joaquin Navarro Valls told reporters. ''The situation he described was one of a free and pluralistic society full of hopes for the future.''

In recent months, the pope has frequently expressed concern for the problems facing the new Poland and urged its people to stay united to overcome difficulties.

Walesa has announced his readiness to run for president in elections that may be held as early as this autumn. He is also urging the division of the Solidarity-led democratic movement into left and right wings, to avoid a single-party state.

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MIDWAY, Utah (AUG. 27) UPI - Authorities sent in more firefighters Monday to battle a 2,500-acre blaze that killed two people, destroyed 50 structures and triggered the evacuation of 340 homes.

Firefighters spokeswoman Vicki May said the destroyed structures included year-round homes and summer residences on state land in the Devil's Hole area between Midway and Wasatch Mountain State Park.

The names of the two dead firefighters were not released pending notification of relatives. No other injuries were reported.

About 400 firefighters battled the blaze early Monday, which began at 1:30 p.m. Sunday in thick oak brush and exploded rapidly as it was fueled by

winds estimated at 35 to 40 mph, officials said.

Three-hundred additional structures were threatened by the blaze and 40 more homes were evacuated early Monday in the Bonanza Flat and Pine Canyon areas, May said.

Power to a large part of the area was restored by Monday morning as pilots continued making water and fire retardant drops over the area. Officials were unsure what sparked the blaze.

With weather forecasts calling for continued dry, windy conditions, officials would not estimate when the blaze would be contained.

''I understand it's going to be hot with gusty winds and low humidity, which means they are going to be continued to be hampered by problems with the wind,'' May said.

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#90239u1550 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) UPI - With one of the nation's largest guarantors of student loans alive but on life support, Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos issued recommendations Monday to reduce the huge loan default rate, which will cost taxpayers about $2.4 billion this year.

The federal Guaranteed Student Loan program provides low-interest, long-term loans for post-secondary education to students in financial need. However, loan defauts, many of which involve trade schools, are expected to reach $2.4 billion in fiscal year 1990, about 44 percent of the Education Department's entire $4.6 billion budget for the program this year. About $12 billion will be loans to about five million students during fiscal year 1990, the department said.

In the handbook called "Reducing Student Loan Defaults: A Plan for Action," Cavazos said all those involved must accept a share of the blame for the student loan default crisis and take responsibility for resolving the problem.

"Behind the default statistics are students who are either unable or unwilling to repay their loans. Many of the defaults could have been prevented if everyone involved in student loans - students, post-secondary institutions, lenders, guarantee agencies, and the federal and state governments - had worked together," Cavazos said.

He said that "only through such cooperation" can integrity be restored to the student loan program. "Defaults are a waste of valuable student aid money and must be stopped."

The Higher Education Assistance Foundation, or HEAF - one of the largest guarantors of student loans - is facing serious financial problems. HEAF, like other guarantee agencies, insures student loans by paying bank lenders 100 percent of a defaulted loan.

The Education Department, in turn, reinsures the guarantors' loan, but at a lower amount, usually 80 percent, if defaults reach a certain level. HEAF is on the brink of collapse because it is losing the other 20 percent.

In the last few weeks, the Student Loan Marketing Association, known as Sallie Mae, came to HEAF's rescue by extending an additional $200 million in credit. Education Department officials said negotiations continue for a more permanent solution for HEAF. Among the recommendations in the handbook, which grew out of 1989 Education Department proposals on default reduction:

- Post-secondary institutions should counsel students on loan responsibilities, work closely with lenders, improve the quality of education, improve retention programs to keep students in school, reduce defaults by dropouts, teach students to budget and manage their personal finances, keep in touch with borrowers after they leave school and analyze the default problem at the institution and take action.

- Lenders should research loan risks before lending money, communicate effectively with student borrowers during all phases of the loan process, use effective collection techniques and carefully monitor loan servicers.

- Guarantee agencies should monitor lenders and post-secondary institutions and fully enforce existing laws and regulations, help institutions in default reduction efforts, help lenders collect repayments before loans enter default and pursue collections diligently.

- Agencies that accredit post-secondary schools should assess educational quality during accreditation reviews and evaluate the administrative capabilities of institutions. State officials are encouraged to establish and enforce stringent licensing and approvl procedures for these schools and take strong action against defaulters.

Cavazos said the handbook is not intended for students. If they have questions, they should call the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-333-INFO.

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LISBON, PORTUGAL (AUG. 27) UPI - Delegations from Angola's leftist government and the U.S.-backed UNITA rebels met in Portugal Monday for a third round of secret talks aimed at ending the country's 15-year civil

war.

Portuguese sources, asking to remain unidentified, said the talks had started under Portuguese mediation but declined to disclose the agenda.

Each Angolan side said in recent days it was ready for a cease-fire but demanded political flexibility from the other.

The Soviet- and Cuban-backed government in Luanda has insisted that a cease-fire must precede discussions on political solutions to the conflict which began at independence from Portugal in 1975.

UNITA rebel chief Jonas Savimbi, however, has demanded political recognition of his movement, the setting of a date for national elections and agreement on a single national army to be formed from Angolan and rebel forces before accepting a truce.

The Portuguese sources expressed ''cautious optimism'' that progress would be made in the talks despite the tough public declarations by the Angolan rivals.

Under the mediation of Portuguese Foreign Affairs Minister Jose Durao Barroso, negotiations began in secrecy in April with a second round in June.

The current round, originally scheduled for early July, was postponed without explanation three times.

Portugal assumed the role of mediator in the Angolan conflict after the collapse of a brief cease-fire arranged by Zaire President Mobuto Sese Seko in June 1989.

Direct negotiations between the Angolan factions opened after a 1988 U.S.-brokered accord produced an agreement from South Africa to end support for UNITA and to grant independence to Namibia, while Cuba agreed to gradually withdraw its 50,000 troops who were in Angola to support to the Luanda government.

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#90239u1567 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

DUBLIN (AUG. 27) UPI - Freed Irish hostage Brian Keenan is undergoing tests for arsenic poisoning based on the experience of former American hostage Frank Reed, doctors said Monday.

Dr. Richard Firth said there were no clinical indications so far that Keenan was poisoned. But he said Reed, who has been visiting Keenan at the Mater Clinic, said he had been poisoned shortly before his own release and

suggested Keenan be tested.

Keenan, 39, in his first statements about the conditions under which he was held for 4 1/2 years by an Islamic group before being freed Saturday, told doctors he had been blindfolded, beaten and chained to a wall during his first three years of captivity in Beirut.

Firth and Dr. Sean Blake said Keenan, a teacher, told them he had also been subjected to frequent beatings for no apparent reason while he was held in a small, dark, mosquito-ridden cell, forbidden to speak above a whisper.

''Mr. Keenan said he was kept in a room the size of one of our bathrooms here, which is about eight-by-six (feet) along with (British hostage) John McCarthy. Imagine the two of them in that space,'' Blake said.

Keenan has said his time in captivity was brightened by the presence and wit of McCarthy, a journalist with the British television news agency Independent Television News.

''They shared a reciprocal sense of humor and were very close,'' Firth said of the two men, who were both taken hostage in April 1986 after the U.S. bombing of Libya.

Six months ago, Keenan has said they were given more freedom to move around, given meat for the first time in their captivity and no longer chained and blindfolded.

The doctors said they found Keenan to have dental problems, sore eyes, malnutrition and a persistant noise in his ears, but was otherwise in good condition. Keenan is expected to undergo further tests and observation for about three more days before he can leave the private hospital.

Reed, who had at times had been held with Keenan and McCarthy before his release in April, has been offering support to Keenan during his visits at Mater. Reed is said to be suffering from post-traumatic stress syndrome since his ordeal and said he understood what Keenan was going through.

''Everyone is going to want him to do something. We have got to give him some breathing space and let him absorb this thing called the past, although Brian is a tough little guy and will fight through it,'' Reed told The Independent newspaper in a story published Monday.

Several friends of McCarthy - who is still held captive in Beirut and whom Keenan did not want to leave behind when he realized he was being freed - headed to Dublin to visit the freed Irishman.

Keenan had argued with his captors to let him stay with McCarthy as they

took him away from his prison in a Beirut basement.

The road from Dublin to Belfast will be lined with yellow ribbons to mark Keenan's return to his home in Northern Ireland later this month, officials said.

In Belfast, rival political factions have been arguing over who should have first access to Keenan, who is a Protestant, and the nature of any public ceremonies.

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#90239u1571 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AUG. 27) UPI - Launch of the shuttle Columbia Saturday on a 10-day astronomy flight may be delayed one day and possibly two in a bid to keep the shuttle Discovery on track for a high-priority Oct. 5 liftoff, officials said Monday.

Columbia's countdown is scheduled to begin at 1 a.m. EDT Wednesday and the ship's seven-man crew plans to fly to the Kennedy Space Center from Houston later in the day for final preparations.

Launch is scheduled for 1:17 a.m. Saturday, but the flight may be delayed a day or so that Discovery can be moved to nearby launch pad 39B before Columbia's takeoff.

At issue is a drive to preserve as much spare time as possible in Discovery's ground processing schedule to handle unexpected problems that might otherwise delay launch of the European Ulysses solar probe, grounded in 1986 by the Challenger disaster.

NASA only has 18 days to get Discovery off the ground or Ulysses will be grounded for another 13 months because of technical issues involving the probe's trajectory to the sun.

For that reason, NASA managers want to have Discovery ready to go at the opening of its ''launch window'' if at all possible. Given that engineers typically lose a day a week at the launch pad, they need as much contingency time as they can get.

But Discovery's move from its hangar to the Vehicle Assembly Building for attachment to a pair of boosters and an external fuel tank fell behind schedule over the weekend and the ship did not reach the VAB until early Monday.

Roll out to launch pad 39B now is scheduled for Friday. But Columbia, grounded May 30 by a hydrogen fuel leak, is scheduled to be loaded with fuel Friday night for an early Saturday liftoff.

For safety reasons, engineers are not allowed to work on one pad during another shuttle's final countdown on the other.

Shuttle program manager Robert Crippen has said he will delay Columbia's flight one day to get Discovery to its pad before its sistership takes off.

Forrest McCartney, director of the Kennedy Space Center, said a final decision on how to proceed was not expected until Tuesday.

''We're going to have to play it by ear,'' he said in an interview. ''What we want to do is get the Ulysses bird on the pad. We want to hit the beginning of the Ulysses (launch) window. I think we've got 3 1/2 or four days of contingency. What they're trying to do is preserve those contingency days.

''We'd like to be down on the pad so that if we have ... a delay (with Columbia), be it weather or be it technical, we could do work getting Ulysses ready to go. That's our game plan.''

But that does not take into account Hurricane Gustav, which could cause additional problems for NASA depending on its eventual course.

Otherwise, McCartney said, agency managers likely would agree to slip Columbia's launch one day if Discovery stays on track for a move to the pad Friday.

''I'm not sure we'd slip it two days, but I'm not sure we wouldn't,'' he said.

The only other problem under discussion that could have an impact on Columbia's launch is trouble maintaining the proper flow of coolant through one of two refrigeration systems aboard the shuttle that are used to cool the ship's telescope payload.

Fixing the ''flow proportioning valve'' would delay launch a week or so, but engineers said they were optimistic the shuttle can take off on time.

''It's probably going to be above the redlines when we launch,'' said an official. ''They don't think it's going to be a problem.''

Other officials were not so sure. A manager at the Kennedy Space Center said such hardware should be working properly before a shuttle is allowed to take off.

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#90239u1590 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) UPI - Iraqi television Monday debuted a slick new television program called Guests News, featuring foreign hostages playing pool, sharing their thoughts on peace and wishing relatives happy birthday.

The program - excerpts of which were fed to U.S. networks - has snappy Western music and colorful graphics, including an Iraqi flag that spins across the closing credits.

Hostages featured in the edited program said in interviews in English that they were being well-treated and well-fed despite the economic embargo that has slowed supplies to Iraq. It was not known under what circumstances the hostages made the comments or what comments were edited out by Iraqi authorities.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, who calls the foreign nationals detained in Iraq and Kuwait his ''guests,'' has said they will stay at key economic and military sites as a shield against attack by Western and Asian forces gathered in the Persian Gulf.

''We are very well-treated. The food is OK. We have sporting facilities as well,'' a young German named Greg said in English. He said he hoped other ''foreign guests'' in Iraq were being treated as well.

''Hope you had a nice birthday, Dad,'' he said in closing.

Other hostages, shown at one point playing pool, said they hoped the crisis could be solved through diplomacy rather than war.

''It's not worth the sacrifice of thousands of lives before we can sit together and talk,'' said another hostage, also identified as a German.

A couple with their young son were shown on a couch in a wood-paneled room.

''The children are being amazingly strong and brave,'' the mother said, cradling her sleepy child in her arms.

Last week, Iraqi television showed Saddam meeting with a room full of about two dozen British hostages, shaking hands, patting children on the head and answering questions. The hostages in the tape, which was also edited, appeared uneasy but calm.

World leaders universally condemned the broadcast, but Saddam appears intent on trying to convince the Western world in general, and the English-speaking world in particular, that the hostages are being well-cared for.

Analysts suggest he may also be giving the hostages names and faces in order to sway world public opinion away from launching an attack on Iraq

and endangering their lives.

Robert Vinton, an American in Baghdad, said in a telephone interview with Cable News Network that he was free to move around the city but was not completely aware of world events because he had no access to outside media.

''We have a sense of freedom in Baghdad,'' he said. ''People ask, 'Well, are you a hostage or not?' We are, but we have a limited sense of freedom.

Vinton said there were food shortages in the country, which has been suffering for almost a month from economic sanctions imposed by the United Nations following its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90239u1617 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - Oil prices plunged at record rates early Monday, with gasoline falling nearly 15 cents a gallon as prospects for war in the Middle East appeared to recede.

''There are (unconfirmed) reports that Iraq has told its ship captains not to resist boarding by warships enforcing the U.N. embargo, and Iraq appears to be making overtures to the United Nations on a possible peace settlement,'' said Peter Beutel, vice president of Merrill Lynch Futures Inc. in New York.

He mentioned the possibility of Iraqi officials meeting with U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar toward resolving the Persian-Gulf crisis precipitated by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

As a result of the invasion, the United Nations imposed an embargo Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports Aug. 6.

''It looks like Saudi Arabia, Venezuela and the United Arab Emirates are going to raise production'' at the Vienna meeting of oil ministers of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, Beutel added.

''The market is relieved that there may be a settlement of the Middle East crisis. It appears closer than it did Friday,'' echoed Robert Baker, senior energy analyst with New York's Prudential-Bache Securities Inc.

In early afternoon trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange, unleaded gasoline for September delivery was down 14.91 cents to 89.75 cents a gallon, still more than 25 cents higher than its Aug. 1 Merc close of 64.27 cents a gallon.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery had fallen $3.81 a barrel to $27.10 a barrel on the Merc, while September home

heating oil had nosedived 11.70 cents a gallon to 79.25 cents a gallon.

Beutel said he could not remember prices falling as rapidly in the history of oil trading on the exchange.

''Not like this,'' agreed Joe Miller of Shearson Lehman Hutton's International Energy Desk in New York.

The exchange could not provide any confirmation of this. A spokeswoman said, ''Unfortunately, we do not keep any records on declines.''

Miller said the drastic drop was basically limited to U.S. trading. London's International Energy Exchange, which often provides a lead for the Merc, was closed Monday for a holiday.

By contrast, on the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold to the highest bidder, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - was down $1.15 at midday to $28.45 a barrel.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent fell 60 cents to $30.40 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt delivery WTI was off $1.30 a barrel to $26.55 a barrel.

In Vienna, OPEC ministers huddled behind closed doors for a second day as Iran and other key members resisted efforts to convene an extraordinary formal conference to raise oil output quotas.

The informal talks in the Austrian capital are considered one of the critical moments in the 30-year history of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, which was plunged into crisis by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Saudi Arabia and Venezuela are seeking OPEC's blessing to begin boosting production to compensate for a worldwide shortfall of 4 million barrels a day resulting from U.N. sanctions against Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude.

But the two countries have made it clear they will increase production regardless of what OPEC decides.

Iran and its allies oppose any steps that might lower oil prices.

''I think this is not the necessary time to increase production - maybe in the future, if we change the situation, but not now,'' Iranian Minister of Petroleum Gholamreza Aghazadeh said during a lunch recess.

#90239u1654 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
ANKARA, TURKEY (AUG. 27) UPI - A group of 52 American women and children who were permitted to leave Iraq early Monday were taken to a NATO air base in southern Turkey for a flight to the United States, U.S. embassy sources said.

The 52, mainly dependents of U.S. Embassy personnel in Kuwait, drove through the Iraqi border and entered Turkey early Monday in 11 cars at the Habur checkpoint more than 20 hours after being allowed to leave Baghdad.

U.S. Embassy sources in Ankara said the 52 Americans were driven from the border to Diyarbakir, Turkey, where they rested, and were then flown to the NATO air base at Incirlik in southern Turkey at noon.

They were expected to be flown directly to the United States. An embassy official in Ankara said an earlier report that the group would fly to Frankfurt was incorrect.

Three male members of the original group of 55 were turned back by the Iraqi authorities because they were older than 18 years, sources at the Habur border gate said in a telephone interview.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman said the embassy had received information that the three young men ''were taken back to Baghdad.''

The original group of 55 left Baghdad at 5 a.m. Sunday and arrived at the Turkish side of the border gate about 2.30 a.m. Monday.

Reporters waiting at the border were not peritted to talk to them, and therewas no immediate explanation of why it took the group more than 20 hours to take a journay that normally takes eight or nine hours.

The 52 women and children were met at the Turkish border gate by the wife of U.S. Ambassador to Turkey Morton Abromowitz and other American officials sent to Habur to receive them. Turkish passport officials said they looked happy and relieved.

Earlier, Sirnak Governor Aydin Aslan said he ordered the border gate kept open for 24 hours to allow them through immediately on their arrival. Officials said they got through passport and other formalities in the minimum time possible.

The 52 women and children were among more than 100 American dependents and non-essential embassy personnel who left Kuwait for Iraq last week after assurances they would be allowed to leave.

A U.S. Embassy official in Ankara said 54 male embassy personnel were

however forbidden to leave Baghdad Sunday when the women and children drove to the Turkish border. ''We are working very hard to secure their release as well,'' an embassy spokeswoman said.

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#90239u1660 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

COLOMBO, SRI LANKA (AUG. 27) UPI - A government medivac helicopter lifted eight wounded soldiers from a 300-year-old Dutch fort where they had been trapped for more than two months, a senior air force official said Monday.

The rescue took place Sunday evening on the fifth day of a major offensive against guerrillas in the area. The government seized control of a strategic island in northern Sri Lanka and prepared to storm the rebel stronghold of Jaffna, the military official said.

The object of the ''Operation Eagle'' offensive, which was launched last Wednesday and involves some 3,600 troops, was to capture the area surrounding the star-shaped former Dutch fort, where about 200 soldiers and policemen have been under siege for weeks.

The Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, who control most of the northern Jaffna Peninsula, have used automatic weapons and mortars in sporadic attacks on the fort, preventing government helicopters from landing inside to deliver food and other supplies, and evacuating wounded soldiers.

Details of the medivac mission were sketch.

Government troops were reported closing in on the fort, however.

They came under heavy resistance from the rebels, who weree firing mortars and using small arms to fend off the assault, officials said. The security forces were advancing slowly under cover from helicopter gunships, they said.

According to military sources, troops who earlier captured the islands of Kayts and Mandaitivu, which are separated from the fort on the Jaffna mainland by a lagoon, fought their way toward the fort in boats.

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#90239u1667 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) UPI - Approximately 1,400 newly introduced Sunbeam Mixmaster stand mixers are being recalled voluntarily by the manufacturer because they pose a severe electric shock risk, the government said Monday.

The recall, conducted by Sunbeam Appliance Co. of Milwaukee in cooperation

with the Consumer Product Safety Commission, involves Models 01930 and 01940, both distributed nationwide between February and April of this year. Both stand mixers have chrome-plated housings.

The affected models have the model number and the date code on the nameplate, located between the beater openings on the underside of the mixer housing. The only mixers affected are Models 01930 and 01940 with the following date codes: JPD, JPE, FPB, FPC, MPA, MPB and MPC.

The consumer agency cautions consumers to stop using these mixers immediately and contact Sunbeam. Motors and other electrical components, through shipping, use or handling, may shift and contact the inside of the chrome-plated mixer housing, which could create a risk of severe electric shock to the user, the agency said. Even though no consumers have reported electric shocks from using these mixers, Sunbeam recognized the possibility and reported the potential hazard to the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

Consumers can call Sunbeam at 1-800-441-7068. Consumers with affected mixers will be sent a pre-addressed, pre-stamped box in which to return the motor housing of their mixer. Sunbeam will provide a replacement unit free of charge.

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#90239u1694 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 27) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev told the visiting Egyptian foreign minister Monday the Arab states must ''consolidate quickly'' to avoid an all-out war in the Persian Gulf.

Gorbachev said while he believed the crisis over Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait could still be solved peacefully, time may be running out for a political settlement.

''The countdown is quickening,'' Gorbachev told Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat-Abdel Meguid, according to an account of the meeting carried by the official Tass news agency.

''Arabs should display their ability to consolidate quickly, to take joint decisions in their own interests and in the interests of the entire world '' Gorbachev said.

Meguid gave Gorbachev a message from Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, the Egyptian Embassy said. The contents of the message were not released.

Tass said the Gorbachev-Meguid meeting focused on the need to increase ''the Arab factor'' to prevent an armed conflict in the gulf.

''It is necessary to exert every effort to realize this opportunity and to prevent an armed conflict,'' Gorbachev said.

The Arab League has condemned the Iraqi invasion and called for a quick Iraqi pullout, and Egypt and other Arab countries have sent troops to join a U.S.-dominated multinational force in the Persian Gulf.

Tass said ''special attention'' was paid during the talks Monday to the plight of foreigners being held in Iraq and ''the inadmissibility of any anti-humane, illegitimate actions against them.''

The one-day visit by Meguid to Moscow for talks with Gorbachev and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze was part of an intense diplomatic effort by Moscow to find a peaceful solution to the gulf crisis.

Shevardnadze met French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas Sunday, and in the last week has hosted special envoys from Iraq and Saudi Arabia in addition to holding near-daily telephone conversations with Washington. The Soviet Union also has a special ambassador touring the Middle East.

The Soviet Union has condemned the Iraqi invasion and voted for a U.N. Security Council resolution early Saturday authorizing limited military enforcement of sanctions against Iraq, but Shevardnadze said Sunday the Soviet Union did not plan to participate in the blockade.

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#90239u1720 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (AUG. 27) UPI - Leftist rebels claimed Monday to have killed or wounded 187 members of the Salvadoran armed forces during the past week of combat, while the army admitted two deaths and seven injuries.

''During the week, we have inflicted a total of 187 casualties on the army '' the rebels said in a broadcast on their clandestine Radio Venceremos.

The short-wave radio station of the leftist Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front said many of the casualties resulted from guerrilla attacks on a major army operation in the mountainous rebel stronghold of Chalatenango province, some 30 miles north of the capital, San Salvador.

Rebel casualty reports do not distinguish between dead and injured.

Military sources confirmed that the army had made a large-scale incursion into the zone. They said rebel explosives went off on Saturday in the army's temporary command post for Chalatenango operations, killing two soldiers and wounding five, including operation commander Lt. Col. Carlos Camilo Hernandez.

A judge recently freed Hernandez on bail after charging the lieutenant colonel with participating in a coverup of the Nov. 16 slaying of six Jesuit priests by members of the Salvadoran military.

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#90239u1758 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - A gun-shy Iraq has ordered its tankers to avoid conflicts with U.S.-led warships in the gulf region and Washington ordered the expulsion of 36 Iraqi diplomats apparently to retaliate for treatment of U.S. diplomats in Iraq.

''We understand the Iraqis have ordered their people to keep low and not break the blockade for now,'' a shipping source in Bahrain who monitors gulf ship movements and radio communications said.

Defense Secretary Brent Scowcroft has told ABC news that the United States will offer asylum to any Iraqi sailors who ''respond peacefully'' to efforts in the gulf to prevent supplies from moving to and from Iraq.

The order to Iraqi tankers appeared to indicate Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was shying away from a confrontation with Western forces that poured into the gulf region after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz was quoted on Baghdad Radio as saying his country would not be the one to ''strike first,'' and Saudi Arabia has said Iraqi troops had pulled back from the Saudi border.

''I think the Iraqis are very wise under the circumstances to avoid giving the Americans any chance to retaliate,'' said the Bahrain shipping source. ''Quite clearly, they would be blown out of the water within seconds.''

The United States was apparently retaliating in other ways, however, for the forced detention in Baghdad of U.S. Embassy personnel from Kuwait. Iraq has said it will keep almost 50 male embassy employees in Iraq until the United States capitulates and closes its embassy in Kuwait - an order America has refused because it does not recognize Iraq's annexation of the emirate.

Iraqi ambassador Mohamed al-Mashat was called to the State Department Monday morning to meet with acting Secretary Lawrence Eagleburger to discuss ''restrictions to be placed on the Iraqi embassy in the United States,'' a source said.

Afterward, State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said the number of authorized people at the Iraqi embassy in Washington was being cut to 19 from 55. She said the 36 required to leave would include seven accredited diplomats.

Qatar meanwhile announced Monday it would permit the deployment of foreign forces on its soil, bringing to five the number of gulf Arab states which have approved the deployment of foreign troops on their soil.

In other developments Monday:

-Oil prices plunged at record rates early in the day, with gasoline falling nearly 15 cents a gallon as prospects for war in the Middle East appeared to recede.

-In Vienna, members of OPEC failed to agree on a Saudi proposal that would allow the cartel countries to pump more oil than their quotas in order to make up for the 5 million barrels a day shortfall caused by the boycott of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude.

-Iraqi television debuted an edited new program called Guests News that features hostages playing pool, declaring they were well treated and wishing relatives happy birthday.

-In Turkey, 52 American and children who are the dependents of U.S. diplomatic staff in Kuwait arrived at a NATO base in southern Turkey and then departed on a flight for Frankfurt.

-India said it would start pulling its 170,000 nationals out of Kuwait in buses across the Iraqi-Iranian border.

-Iraq announced a total of 1.5 million people had volunteered for military duty, supplementing its regular army on 1 million men.

Arab leaders continued efforts to mediate an end to the crisis, which began with Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. King Hussein of Jordan met Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi in Tripoli and Sudanese leader Gen. Omar al Bashir ended talks in Baghdad with Saddam to try and ''pluck the fuse of war because war would be destructive,'' Baghdad Radio said.

Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid traveled to Moscow and discussed the crisis with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, who reportedly said the Arab states must ''consolidate quickly'' to avoid an all-out war in the Persian Gulf.

Meguid gave Gorbachev a message from Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, the Egyptian Embassy said. The contents of the message were not released.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency meanwhile said eleven countries had agreed to attend an emergency summit in Cairo Thursday to discuss the gulf crisis. Iraq and allies Jordan, Yemen, the Palestine Liberation Organization would not be attending.

The crisis seemed to escualate when dozens of countries defied an Iraqi order to close their embassies in Kuwait, but turned into a standoff over the weekend when Iraqi troops cut power to the missions but did not attempt to close them by force.

China and Hungary threw in the towel Monday, with Beijing reportedly withdrawing its staff from its mission and Budapest closing its facility completely. An Iraqi diplomat who spoke of the Chinese pullout said he could not confirm reports that invading Iraqi troops had stormed the Chinese embassy compound.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said morale was high at the U.S. Embassy where diplomats believed to number fewer than 10 were living without electricity and water.

King Hussein, whose kingdom's economy has suffered significantly because of the embargo against its largest trade partner, Iraq, was expected to visit other North African states on his most recent tour to support peaceful negotiations.

North African states such as Algeria, Tunisia and Mauritania have generally backed otherwise isolated Iraq.

In Turkey, a group of 52 American women and children, mostly dependents of U.S. Embassy personnel in Kuwait who were allowed to leave Baghdad, drove to the Incirlik NATO air base in southern Turkey Monday to be flown to Frankfurt. But three male members of the original group of 55 were turned back by the Iraqi authorities because they were over 18.

''We're disappointed that the Iraqi government once again has reneged on its promise to allow the entire convoy to depart,'' Fitzwater told reporters in Kennebunkport, Maine.

He said 63 Americans were believed among the Western and Asian hostages held by Saddam at key economic and military sites to guard against attack.

Iraqi's foreign minister Aziz was scheduled to hold talks in Amman Thursday with U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to try and reach a diplomatic solution to the crisis, Baghdad Radio said. Kuwait's exiled government welcomed the move, but warned against any negotiations until Iraqi troops withdrew.

Also in Baghdad, a government-run Iraqi newspaper described foreign nationals being held in Iraq and Kuwait against their will as a weapon ''in the battle of history.''

In Beirut, Lebanese foreign ministry officials said Iraqi troops moved the

Lebanese ambassador in Kuwait, the consul and 10 non-diplomatic staff to Baghdad. The officials said the group was now on its way to Lebanon. Lebanon's pro-Syrian government was the first Arab state to condemn Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

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(AUG. 27) UPI - Why do guys go into rock 'n' roll? ''Money and girls were the two big motivations,'' Don Henley says in the upcoming issue of Rolling Stone. ''That's what it was for everybody. Then you become a serious artist and set out to change the world.'' Henley, who is working with former Eagle mate Glenn Frey, says he now seeks rock as a way to improve life. ''I think rock 'n' roll has always been that from the standpoint of rebellion but I'd like to build upon that and make it more adult,'' he says. ''I mean, let's face it - there's not going to be anarchy in this country ... so let's get with the program and start effecting some real change and get something done besides just yelling and screaming about it.''

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#90239u1782 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

FREETOWN, SIERRA LEONE (AUG. 27) UPI - Most workers walked to their jobs Monday and hundreds of drivers were turned away from gas stations as the capital was hit with a severe fuel shortage.

Most regular gas, diesel fuel and kerosene stocks in the West African nation were exhausted three weeks ago, and Monday almost all sources of fuel were dry.

A Trade Ministry official told United Press International that the nation's fuel-acquisition patterns were in confusion as a result of the Persian Gulf crisis. He said Sierra Leone requires some 225,000 barrels of crude oil every eight weeks but with the price of oil jumping over $30 a barrel from the earlier $17 price Sierra Leone had paid, no arrangements have been made for the next consignment.

Some workers walked as far as 20 miles to their jobs Monday because fuel shortages had ended virtually all modes of motor transportation.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 27) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	76.65	77.35	76.50	76.95	76.17
Dec	74.25	74.90	74.15	74.80	73.57
Feb	73.70	74.35	73.70	74.20	73.27
Apr	74.80	75.32	74.80	75.22	74.32
Jun	72.90	73.65	72.90	73.60	72.65
Aug	71.65	71.95	71.65	71.82	71.05
Oct	71.50	71.75	71.50	71.62	71.02

Est. sales 17,043 contracts; Friday 23,674; open interest 66,554 off 1,457.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	88.45	88.87	88.45	88.70	88.17
Sep	85.50	86.47	85.30	86.40	85.00
Oct	84.25	85.07	83.90	85.02	83.60
Nov	84.00	84.92	83.90	84.87	83.42
Jan	84.00	84.57	83.75	84.52	83.17
Mar	82.15	83.00	82.15	83.00	81.70
Apr	82.00	82.45	81.90	82.45	81.40
May	81.15	81.45	81.15	81.45	80.45

Est. sales 2,837 contracts; Friday 12,063; open interest 4,161 off 191.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	49.30	49.35	48.85	49.20	48.42
Dec	50.25	50.60	50.10	50.47	49.90
Feb	47.97	48.32	47.97	48.12	47.65
Apr	44.80	45.00	44.80	44.95	44.40
Jun	49.10	49.15	49.00	49.10	48.70
Jly	....	49.35	....	49.35	48.97
Aug	....	47.70	....	47.70	47.40
Oct	....	43.70	....	43.70	43.50

Est. sales 4,401 contracts; Friday 3,632; open interest 28,603 off 236.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	54.00	54.37	54.30	54.37	52.37
Mar	54.10	54.30	53.30	54.30	52.30
May	54.00	54.65	54.00	54.65	52.65
Jly	55.02	55.02	54.75	55.02	53.02

Est. sales 1,571 contracts; Friday 3,579; open interest 5,797 off 44.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Monday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut- out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 121.16 down 3 cents, 700-850 lbs. 120.69 down 18 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 115.36 down 16 cents, 700-850 lbs. 115.22 down 12 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were not fully established but had a steady to firm

undertone; skinned hams and seedless bellies mostly firm to 1.00 higher; loins 14-18 lbs. 112.00; butts 4-8 lbs. 74.00-75.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 91.00 20-26 lbs.89.00-91.00; bellies 14-16 lbs. 43.00, 16-18 lbs. 42.00.

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(AUG. 27) UPI - World stock markets scored sharp gains Monday on sentiment that tension was decreasing in the Middle East and expectations that several OPEC members were about to increase their output, driving oil prices down.

The Nikkei index in Tokyo scored a 4 percent gain and the key Dax index in Frankfurt jumped 6.1 percent.

In New York, the Stock Exchange was recording strong gains of about 3.4 percent in active afternoon trading extending a powerful morning rally fueled by an easing of fears about a possible war in the Middle East.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which jumped 49.50 Friday, was up 87.62 to 2620.54 at 1 p.m. EDT.

''The tension is decreasing and it will remain this way until the meeting Thursday in Amman, Jordan, between U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz,'' said David Mizrahi, editor of the authoritative MidEast report.

''The decreased tension had a favorable impact on world markets and this will last for a few more days at least.''

Perez de Cuellar and Aziz are expected to attempt to solve the conflict in the Persian Gulf through a diplomatic settlement.

As share prices soared on world markets, oil prices dived on indications the informal meeting in Vienna of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries was about to allow higher individual country production to make up for the loss of Iraqi and Kuwaiti output. Late afternoon on the New York Mercantile Exchange, oil prices were down $4.51 a barrel.

Investors from Tokyo to New York steadily pushed stock prices up and most world markets scored gains amounting to several percentage points of their respective indexes.

In Tokyo, the Nikkei index of 225 selected issues gained 976.00 points to close at 25,141.76 - a 4 percent gain. The Nikkei had started its rebound Friday, gaining 428.13 points, after suffering severe losses.

The prospects of higher interest rates in Japan and the continued strength

of the yen also helped attract investors to the Tokyo market.

Mizrahi said markets worldwide were reacting to the perception that a full-scale war was not about to break out in the Gulf.

''Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has let time elapse, allowing the build-up of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia,'' Mizrahi said. ''If Hussein had wanted to attack Saudi Arabia, he would have moved against Saudi Arabia right after invading Kuwait, and investors are aware of this.''

However, trading in Tokyo was a moderate 330 million shares, down from 546.07 million shares Friday, indicating that investors still viewed the Tokyo market as extremely vulnerable to the volatile Middle East situation.

Share prices scored solid gains on the Singapore Stock Exchange, where the key Straits Times industrial index jumped 40.17 points to close at 1,198.23 - a 3.5 percent advance. The gain, however, remained small compared to a 25 percent decline of the Straits Times index since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Elsewhere in Asia, the Weighted Index in Taipei gained 6.8 percent on a major rebound following big losses after the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. In Manila, the Composite Index gained nearly 30 points - or a 4.3 percent advance. In Seoul, the index ended six straight sessions of losses with a similar percentage gain.

On the Sydney Stock Exchange, traders reacted positively to the upturn in world markets, with the All Ordinaries index ending the day up 7.4 points to 1,477.

The upward trend spilled over from Asia to Europe and stock prices surged 6.1 percent on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange Monday on reports of decreased tension in the Middle East. The Frankfurt market also attracted British investors since the London International stock exchange was closed for a bank holiday.

The closely watched German Stock Index gained 95.76 points to close at 1,654.80 points, closing at the day's high.

At the Paris Bourse, the Agefi General Index gained 4.3 percent, an advance based on increased confidence about the Middle East situation as well as on the return to the market place of many investors after the traditional month-long summer vacation in France.

In Zurich, dealers said the Credit Suisse Stock Index made some advance in sympathy with the main world markets, up 18.7 points to 561.3. In Milan, the Stock Index gained 5 percent of its value on the same technical rebound that dominated other markets.

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DALLAS (AUG. 27) UPI - Producers, a high school classmate and other admirers remembered Texas-grown blues guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan Monday as a young rebel who overcame personal problems to become a great artist.

Vaughan, who first picked up a guitar in Dallas with his brother Jimmie, was widely respected as a superstar who never forgot his roots, often returning to his Oak Cliff neighborhood to attend reunions with high school chums.

He was killed early Monday in a helicopter crash after a concert at East Troy, Wis.

''Stevie had longer hair than most of the boys at that time. He was kind of a rebel, but a real nice guy,'' recalled Patti Tunnell, who went to junior high school with Vaughan and now works in an Oak Cliff music store.

''I was a cheerleader, and he used to play at all our parties. He was pretty good, but this was just the beginning.''

Tunnell said Vaughan had returned a couple of times in recent years to see old friends at the reunions and his mother would stop by the music store to pick up sheet music and the latest magazine stories about her famous son.

Vaughan went on to make his name as a rock star and win two Grammys. His early Austin jam sessions were so legendary that the Rolling Stones came down to check him out. He recorded his first album, ''Texas Flood,'' at Riverside Studios in Austin.

The news of Vaughan's death shocked his many Texas friends and associates. Among them was Terry Lickona, producer of Public Television's ''Austin City Limits,'' where Vaughan appeared in 1983 and this year.

''We all commented after the show that he was at the peak of his career,'' he said. ''He was still young enough and had the energy and vitality. He probably would never be better and it showed in his music.

''He had completely cleaned up (drug, alcohol problems). The only drug he did while he was here (taping on Oct. 10, 1989) was an allergy pill. He was off everything. He had such a positive outlook on life and his music. He had no ego. He was just very down to earth.''

Earlier in his career, Vaughan had a reputation for being moody, unfriendly and difficult to work with, Lickona said.

''In terms of modern day blues guitarist, I think he was the best. Nobody came close. That's why it's especially sad and ironic that it (his death) should happen now. He really had the future right in the palm of his hand.''

Another producer, Larry Trader, was in Dallas Monday to put on a Willie Nelson benefit concert at the Longhorn Ballroom Monday night.

''There's no question this is a great loss. He had lots of followers and friends in this area. He was a great musician. It's a sad day for our business,'' he said.

Although some critics pointed to his older brother as the virtuoso, there were others who saw Stevie as the real superstar. Joe Nick Patoski, a Texas Monthly senior editor, was one of those.

''It ain't fair. I think of all the times I heard him for two bucks, like at the Continental Club (in Austin),'' he recalled. ''It was obvious back in the mid-70s that the kid had it.''

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#90239u1803 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 27) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.83	2.84 1/2	2.80 1/2	2.81 1/2	2.84 3/4
Dec	2.97 1/2	2.99	2.95 1/4	2.96 1/2	2.99 1/2
Mar	3.08 1/2	3.09 1/4	3.05 1/2	3.06 1/2	3.10
May	3.12 1/2	3.13	3.10 1/2	3.11 1/2	3.13 3/4
Jly	3.16 1/2	3.17	3.14	3.15	3.17 1/2
Sep	3.22	3.22	3.20	3.20	3.22
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.56	2.56 1/2	2.51 1/2	2.52	2.57 3/4
Dec	2.48	2.48	2.44	2.44 1/4	2.50 1/4
Mar	2.57 1/2	2.57 1/2	2.52	2.52 1/4	2.59
May	2.63	2.63 1/4	2.59 1/4	2.59 3/4	2.65 1/4
Jly	2.66	2.66 1/2	2.62 1/2	2.62 3/4	2.69
Sep	2.61 1/2	2.61 1/2	2.58	2.58	2.62
Dec	2.59 1/2	2.60	2.57 3/4	2.58	2.61 1/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.16 1/2	1.16 1/2	1.13 1/2	1.13 1/2	1.18
Dec	1.29 1/4	1.29 1/4	1.26	1.26 1/4	1.30 3/4

Mar	1.40	1.40	1.37 1/4	1.37 1/4	1.41 1/2
May	1.46 1/2	1.46 1/2	1.43 1/2	1.43 1/2	1.47 1/2
Jly	1.50	1.50	1.48 1/2	1.48 1/2	1.52

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	6.26	6.27	6.18 1/2	6.19	6.30
Nov	6.38	6.41 1/2	6.33	6.33 1/2	6.44 1/2
Jan	6.52	6.55	6.47	6.47 1/2	6.58 1/4
Mar	6.64	6.67 1/2	6.60 1/2	6.61	6.71 1/2
May	6.70	6.76	6.68 1/2	6.68 3/4	6.79 1/2
Jly	6.77	6.82	6.74 1/2	6.74 1/2	6.85
Aug	6.69	6.73	6.69	6.69	6.76 1/2
Sep	6.49	6.50	6.49	6.49	6.53 1/2
Nov	6.40	6.41	6.35	6.35 1/4	6.43 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Sep	25.05	25.05	24.35	24.36	25.18
Oct	25.00	25.02	24.30	24.34	25.17
Dec	25.20	25.25	24.50	24.52	25.37
Jan	25.20	25.32	24.63	24.64	25.44
Mar	25.35	25.47	24.70	24.70	25.53
May	25.50	25.55	24.80	24.82	25.60
Jly	25.50	25.60	25.00	25.00	25.70
Aug	25.45	25.45	24.65	24.65	25.35
Sep	25.10	25.10	24.45	24.45	25.10
Oct	24.90	24.90	24.30	24.30	24.85

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	179.50	180.70	179.00	179.90	181.20
Oct	181.50	182.70	181.20	181.80	183.20
Dec	185.00	187.00	185.00	185.80	187.50
Jan	187.50	188.60	187.00	187.00	189.20
Mar	189.50	191.20	189.50	190.50	192.30
May	191.00	192.50	191.00	191.70	193.50
Jly	193.00	193.70	192.50	192.90	194.70
Aug	192.00	192.50	192.00	192.00	193.70
Sep	190.00	191.50	190.00	191.50	193.50

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#90239u1823 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (AUG. 27) UPI - About 500 people were arrested Monday when high-caste Hindu students protesting a government decision to reserve civil service jobs for lower-caste workers burned vehicles and damaged more than 200 parked buses during a general strike, police said.

The demonstration resulted in at least three injuries and disrupted life in the capital, although shopkeepers apparently were in favor of the

protest.

Those arrested were charged with rioting, police said.

The strike resulted in shops shuttered, schools and colleges closed, thin attendance in government offices and public buses being kept off the roads.

Strike sympathizers crowded into commercial areas to ensure that shops remained shuttered and erected road blocks to distrupt vehicular traffic. They paralyzed public bus services by breaking window panes on the vehicles and deflating tires.

The strike was called by high caste students to protest a government decision to reserve 27 percent of government jobs for low-caste Hindus called the ''backward caste,'' who make up 52 percent of India's 830 million people.

The government early this month announced that it was extending job reservation benefits to ''backward caste'' Hindu groups so that their representation in government jobs could be raised.

The announcement increased total job reservation in government offices from 22 to 49 percent.

India's lowest-caste Hindu groups, who are considered ''untouchable'' because of their low social status and heritage, have been assured of 22 percent reservation in government jobs since independence from Britain in 1947.

The announcement extending job reservation by 27 percent to members of the''backward caste'' - one rung higher on the system to ''untouchables'' - sparked agitation in northern India.

The anti-reservation stir has disrupted normal life in major towns of northern India with near-daily rallies, strikes and clashes between police and protesters, and between pro and anti- reservation groups.

The agiation has now spread to the western Gujarat state, where students called a strike for Tuesday.

Much like the ''Affirmative Action'' program in the United States, the reservation system is supposed to make up for years of oppression and discrimination against certain groups in India.

Opponents of job reservation, who are from the high caste, claim that job reservation would adversely affect their future. They claim the ''backward caste'' is already economically and politically powerful.

The protesters want jobs reserved only for poor people and open to all castes.

The anti-reservationists also claim the policy will pull down the general standard of services and that it will only deepen the chasm among members of various Hindu caste groups.

-30- 3015

#90239u1856 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

College

Auburn - Hired Randy Holden as head women's tennis coach.

Austin Peay - Promoted assistant LaDonna Wilson to head basketball coach.

Football

Atlanta - Released tackle Scott Adams, guard Scott Barrows, wide receivers Dana Brinson and Gary Lee, defensive end Jackie Cline, safety Chris Ellison, cornerbacks William Evers, Albert Thomas and Kevin Guidry, tight end Mark Hopkins, linebacker Darrell Jordan, safety Kenny Johnson, center Jason Kuipers, and defensive linemen Greg Ross and Randy Watts.

Pittsburgh - Waived defensive lineman Mace Gouldsby, linebacker Mitch Lee and wide receiver Bob Gordon.

-30- 796

#90239u1872 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Gold futures closed 2,670 to 2,870 points lower Monday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	404.40	404.40	388.00	388.30	415.00
Sep	401.70	401.70	400.00	388.90	415.70
Oct	405.00	407.00	388.80	391.30	418.10
Dec	411.00	413.00	394.00	396.20	432.20
Feb	414.50	416.00	399.00	400.40	427.60
Apr	420.00	425.00	401.50	404.60	432.00
Jun	424.20	424.50	406.50	409.20	436.80
Aug	....	....	....	413.50	441.30

Oct	....	....	....	418.40	446.40
Dec	428.00	428.00	426.00	432.20	451.50
Feb	443.50	443.50	431.00	428.40	456.p9
Apr	446.00	446.00	434.00	433.40	462.10

Open interest: unavailable.

Estimated sales: 70,000 contracts.

-30- 973

#90239u1879 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

KOTU, GAMBIA (AUG. 27) UPI - A new round of talks to negotiate a settlement of the eight-month Liberian civil war was delayed Monday to await the arrival of a delegation that may include former Liberian rebel leader Prince Johnson, officials said.

The conference, called by Gambian President Dawda Jawara under the auspices of the Economic Community of West African States, was scheduled to begin late Monday afternoon at the Kairaba Beach Hotel in Kotu, a beachfront resort about 7 miles west of the Gambian capital of Banjul.

Jawara called the conference several weeks ago in an effort to bring an end to the war between rebels and troops loyal to Liberian President Samuel Doe.

It has been at a stalemate for about two months, with rebel leader Charles Taylor's troops in control of most of the countryside and parts of the Liberian capital of Monrovia but unable to dislodge Doe from his heavily protected seaside palace.

A second rebel faction led by Prince Johnson decided to join Doe's forces earlier this month in an attempt to keep Taylor from taking power.

Johnson was expected to attend the talks in an effort to exert influence over the formation of an interim government, sources close to the negotiations said.

The expected arrival in Kotu of Johnson, an ally of Taylor's before breaking away to form his own rebel faction, probably means that Taylor himself will not appear for the talks, the sources added.

A delegation representing Taylor has been in Gambia for several days, but it was not clear Monday whether it will take part in the formal talks. Other participants include the Liberian Action Party and the Group of Concerned Liberians in the United States, two factions not involved in the hostilities.

Royal Wharton, who was on his way to serve as a political officer at the U.S. Embassy in Monrovia, will attend the talks as an unofficial U.S. observer, sources close to the negotiations said.

Jawara's goal is to establish an interim government in Liberia once a peace-keeping force formed by five African states - Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Guinea, Gambia, and Ghana - is able to establish a cease-fire in the country.

The peace-keeping force has been in place since late last week.

Not all West African countries support placement of the peace-keeping troops, and there were reports from Lagos that Nigeria was expected to begin a diplomatic effort to heal rifts between governments created by formation of the international force.

Burkina Faso President Capt. Blaise Campaore has denounced the decision to create the peace-keeping force and stated that intervention will only lead to an extension of the conflict. Togo rescinded an decision to join the force just hours before it the force moved into Monrovia.

Reports of fighting over the weekend between Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia guerrillas and the peacekeeping force, however, have made the establishment of a cease-fire and an interim government more difficult sources close to the talks said.

The talks have also been stalled by Taylor's unclear attitude toward them. Last week, Taylor failed to appear, dooming three days of scheduled talks between the National Patriotic Front and the other groups present in Gambia. The guerrilla representatives have already met four times with Jawara and Nigerian President Ibrahim Babangida, but the talks have produced no results.

A proposal by Patriotic Front delegate Tom Woewiyu, who would become defense minister if Taylor reaches power, to arrange a 10-day cease-fire and send a group of civilians to assess the situation in Liberia was rejected because it required Doe to leave the country for the period.

Woewiyu also called for elections to be held six months after the formation of an interim government while the Economic Community of West African States has called for elections one year after the interim government takes power.

Doe, who took power 10 years ago in a bloody coup, had earlier called new elections for next year and promised not to run again, but the rebels rejected the move as too little, too late and have demanded his immediate ouster.

Gambia's Jawara, who supervised last week's mediation efforts, said in a statement Sunday that negotiators attempted to persuade the front to agree to a cease-fire but ''it became apparent that the (front) would only be satisfied if peace were to be achieved on its own terms and to the exclusion of all other interested parties.''

Nearly 500,000 Liberian refugees have fled to three countries adjacent to the strife-torn nation, a fact-finding group from the Organization of African Unity reported during the weekend.

More and more members of the Gio and Mano tribes that supported Taylor have been fleeing Liberia because Doe's troops have targeted them for reprisal massacres, officials said.

Tens of tousands of Liberians have died, most the victims of grisly massacres.

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#90239u1883 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 27) UPI - Two passengers suffered minor injuries sliding down an emergency escape chute Monday after the pilot of a United Airlines 747 jumbo jet arriving from Australia was forced to land without nose gear authorities said.

Fire engines and crash crews at Los Angeles International Airport were called to one of the four main runways, designated 25-R, about 10 a.m. by a report that the pilot was having trouble with the Boeing 747's front wheels, Fire Department spokesman Greg Acevedo said.

The pilot of United Flight 816 from Sydney, Australia, had declared an emergency aboard after he was unable to lower the nose wheel. The craft, with 323 passengers and 20 crew members aboard, circled the airport for some time before landing.

The fire crews stood by as the plane landed at 10:25 a.m. No fire was reported, but emergency rescue crews surrounded the plane after it rolled to a stop.

The pilot managed to keep the nose off the ground for about 1 1/2 miles until the craft came to a stop, Federal Aviation Administation spokeswoman Elly Brekke said.

Passengers were evacuated through emergency chutes. Two suffered minor injuries in the evacuation. A firefighter was also reported hurt, but details and names were not available.

United Airlines officials issued a brief statement, saying that the

plane's nose gear failed to deploy.

-30- 1582
#90239u1894 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 27) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Sharply higher in active trading.

Bonds - Mostly lower.

American Stocks - Sharply higher in active trading.

London Stocks - Closed due to bank holiday.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Dollar - Closed lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Sharply Lower.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 3 1/4 to 6 3/4, soybeans down 4 1/2 to 11, wheat off 2 to 3 1/2 and oats down 3 1/2 to 4 1/2.

Cattle trade - Moderately active to 50 cents to $1.00. Top $76.50.

-30- 763
#90239u1897 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
HEMPSTEAD, NY (AUG. 27) UPI - The New York Jets Monday traded unsigned second-round draft pick Reggie Rembert to Cincinnati for two possible starters, linebacker Joe Kelly and tackle Scott Jones.

The two new Jets come from the Bengals, where rookie head coach Bruce Coslet was offensive coordinator the past four seasons and an assistant for nine years.

The Jets were unable to sign Rembert, a wide receiver from west Virginia, and the two sides were far apart in negotiations with the season less than two weeks away. Rembert was made expendable when New York selected Rob Moore of Syracuse in the supplemental draft over the summer.

In Cincinnati, Rembert will join a thin group of wide receivers if he signs with the Bengals.

Kelly, who started all 16 games at inside linebacker for the Bengals last year, missed the first three weeks of training camp because of a contract holdout and lost his job to Kevin Walker. Kelly is expected to start for the linebacker-poor Jets, but will probably move outside in New York's 4-3 alignment.

Kelly, a first-round draft pick from Washington in 1986, became a starter for Cincinnati midway through his rookie season. He started for the Bengals in Super Bowl XXIII after the 1988 season.

Jones, who is 6-foot-5 and 278 pounds, played in 15 games as a reserve last season and impressed the Bengals coaches after he was drafted in the 12th round out of Washington. He joins a thin Jets offensive line, which has only left tackle Jeff Criswell as a returning starter.

The Jets also placed 12-year veteran defensive tackle Marty Lyon on injured reserve with a torn right bicep and waived veteran defensive backs Carl Howard and George Radachowsky, tackle Jeff Oliver and linebacker Demetrious Douglas.

Lyons, who underwent surgery Sunday, will be lost for the year and the injury may end his career.

-30- 2054

#90239u1919 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix 411.00 off 1.50

London gold figures for today are unavailable due to bank holiday.

Paris 412.14 off 2.55

Zurich 401.50 off 9.50

Hong Kong closed due to Liberation Day holiday

New York

Comex spot close 388.30 off 26.70

Republic cash 389.00 off 25.25

Handy and Harman 401.75 off 8.55

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 402.85 off 8.80 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 422.99 off 9.24 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close 4.848 off 0.339

Republic cash 4.87 off 0.335

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 5.045 per fine ounce off 0.115

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 5.03 off 0.17 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.382 off 0.182

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 497.50 off 6.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 597.50 off 6.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 116.00 off 1.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 131.00 off 1.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90239u1928 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 12 to 23 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	11.54	11.65	11.43	11.44	11.67
Mar	11.25	11.35	11.16	11.17	11.38
May	11.26	11.34	11.14	11.15	11.32
Jly	11.25	11.31	11.18	11.18	11.30
Oct	11.35	11.42	11.35	11.25	11.41

Estimated sales: 2,160 contracts

Open interest: 121,270 off 3,066

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.52

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 1 to 7 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.35	23.35	23.34	23.35	23.36
Jan	23.15	23.15	23.10	23.10	23.12
Mar	23.00	23.00	23.00	22.95	23.01
May	23.01	23.01	23.00	22.95	23.02
Jly	22.95	....	....	23.00	23.02
Sep	23.05	23.05	23.05	22.95	23.02
Nov	22.90	....	....	22.78	22.85

Estimated sales: 204 contracts

Open interest: 10,293 up 376

-30- 1180
#90239u1958 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 27) UPI - A shipping source reports Iraq has instructed its tankers NOT to challenge a U-S blockade. The order indicates Iraq may be trying to avoid a confrontation with Western forces.

In Washington, the State Department today announced retaliation for Iraq's refusal to allow American diplomatic personnel to leave Iraq. The department said 36 Iraqi diplomatic workers will be forced to leave the United States.

Blues guitar hero Stevie Ray Vaughan died today when a helicopter crashed into a Wisconsin ski hill following a concert. Four others were killed in the crash... including three associates of rock star Eric Clapton.

Old friends and co-workers in Dallas remembered Vaughan as a moody young rebel who grew up to become a down-to-earth superstar. One television producer who worked with Vaughan said he had a very positive outlook on life and his music.

Some 20-thousand people- V-I-Ps and the general public- will lose an on-site view of the shuttle Discovery's scheduled October 5th takeoff because of a budget cut-back by NASA. The space agency says special guest transportation and viewing stands have been canceled to save money.

A Miami University economist in Ohio accuses the nation's big oil companies of capitalizing on the Persian Gulf crisis to hike prices and profits. Jim Brock says there is NO consistent link between crude oil prices and the cost of gasoline.

Florida police say autopsies may determine whether one person was responsible for killing three young women in Gainesville. The latest victim was found today in her apartment, just two miles from where two co-eds were found dead hours earlier.

Police in New Delhi, India, arrested 500 people when high-caste Hindu students protesting a government move reserving civil service jobs for lower cast workers turned violent. At least three people were injured in the protest.

In El Salvador, leftist rebels claim to have killed or wounded 187 Salvadoran armed forces during the past week of fighting. Salvadoran military officials admit two people were killed and seven were injured.

Solidarity union leader Lech Walesa is back in Gdansk today, after briefing Pope John Paul in Rome on the situation in Poland. Walesa says he

is satisfied with his two-day visit in Italy.

-30- 2482
#90239u1963 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 27) UPI - San Francisco supervisors introduced union-backed legislation Monday that would set strict safety standards for workers who use video-display terminals, or VDTs, on the job.

Backers of the legislation said they hoped it would serve as a model for local governments nationwide that want to set VDT safety standards in the absence of state or federal guidelines.

The legislation was believed to be the first local VDT ordinance introduced since a similar Suffolk County, N.Y., law was struck down by a New York state judge earlier this year.

The San Francisco legislation, which was backed by a majority of city supervisors, would require employers to provide adjustable workstations and chairs, regular rest breaks and training for workers who spend at least half their time at VDTs.

The legislation would apply only to companies with 15 or more workers who regularly use VDTs. Violations would carry fines of up to $500 a day.

Doctors have blamed the proliferation of video-display terminals in the workplace for a sharp increase nationwide in worker-related illnesses, including wrist and hand injuries caused by repetitive motions, such as typing.

Several injured workers appeared at a news conference at City Hall to promote stricter safety standards. Charles Ward, a former reservations sales agent for Delta Airlines, wore braces on both wrists, the result, he said, of bilateral tendonitis caused by typing at a keyboard all day.

''If there had been appropriate computer hardware and guidelines for people who work at a computer, it may have helped keep my condition from becoming chronic,'' Ward said.

Becky Hogue, a directory assistance operator for Pacific Bell, said she could no longer cut her own meat at dinner because she had lost strength in her hands. Hogue said she asked her employer to provide a support for her wrists and she was given two towels stuffed in a pillow case and taped in front of her keyboard.

Under the proposed legislation, employers in San Francisco would have two years to adopt the new VDT guidelines, which include making wrist rests available to all VDT workers. The ordinance also requires the city's

director of public health to conduct research on the effect of VDT use on pregnant women and a user's vision.

-30- 2513

#90239u1974 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - (repeating fixing CBOT silver)

COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $51 a ton higher to $18 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.65 cent higher to 2.10 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.75 to 1.50 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.64 cent higher to 0.10 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $26.70 to $28.70 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $21.30 points an ounce lower across the board for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 2.50 to 3.95 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 33.90 to 39 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract. On the CBOT 34 to 37.0 cents lower for a 1,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.012 to 0.023 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

-30- 1098

#90239u1985 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 27) UPI - The fast-developing prospects for Middle East peace may stop the recent climb of retail prices at the gasoline pump over the next few weeks, oil industry analysts said Monday.

''I'm pretty much expecting retail prices to hold steady for awhile, although that could change very quickly,'' said Francis Morris, an analyst with Provident National Bank in Philadelphia.

As crude oil prices plunged nearly $4 a barrel Monday, wholesale gasoline

prices fell nearly 15 cents a gallon as new developments indicated the growing possibility of negotiations in the Iraqi crisis.

''The markets are reacting to sentiment, and the sentiment is heavily toward a negotiated settlement,'' Morris said. ''I would not expect to see prices at the gas pump jerked around for the immediate future unless something big happens in the Middle East.''

Analyst Michael Mayer of Wertheim Schroeder in San Francisco said, ''It's almost impossible right now to predict what direction gasoline prices will go, but there may be some stability. The companies can't be in the position of changing their prices every day.''

Thomas Samuelson, an energy analyst with Duff & Phelps in Chicago, said, ''The changing perception of what is happening in the Middle East is what is driving the price of oil down right now, but it's difficult to say what the long-term effect will be.''

''If Iraq does invade Saudi Arabia, the price of oil would probably go to $40 a barrel,'' Samuelson said.

Because of the loss of about 4 million barrels of oil from the world's supply, the price of crude oil had nearly doubled from $18 a barrel in July to more than $30 a barrel before Monday.

But gas prices had not been nearly as volatile since the crisis began with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2. The Lundberg Survey of retail gasoline prices nationwide, taken Friday, showed an increase of an average of a nickel a gallon over the last two weeks.

That rate of increase was half that of the period immediately after the Iraqi invasion.

According to the survey of some 13,000 outlets, the weighted average price per gallon was 133.16 cents, up 5.22 cents from the last survey on Aug. 10.

Trilby Lundberg, director of the survey, said that in the same two-week period, wholesale prices increased by more than 9 cents but retailers have chosen not to pass all of that through to consumers.

Lundberg also said prices could be pulled down in early September by the traditional drop in demand following the peak driving months of July and August.

Analyst Samuelson said that the lag in retail prices compared to wholesale prices shows that marketers have been showing some restraint in passing along price increases. Additionally, the lag also reflects reflects relatively high levels of crude and gasoline inventories, he said.

Richard Drobnick, director of International Business Education & Research program at University of Southern California, agreed.

''The lag in retail price is due to the low-cost crude that is still in the system,'' Drobnick said. ''If the oil companies have to buy more and more on the spot market, not only will their costs go up, but so will their profit opportunities.''

Drobnick said companies have been holding down retail prices because of social pressure and because many of them probably thought that the Iraqi crisis was not going to be a long-term situation.

''The bottom line is that retail prices will have to move the same way that wholesale prices do,'' Drobnick said.

-30- 3771

#90239u1997 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 27) UPI - Monday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.79 1/2 off 3 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.19-6.20 1/2 off 11.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.50-2.57 off 5 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.66-2.68 off 5 3/4.

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#90239u1998 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Monday	1138.9
Friday	1137.5
Week ago	1139.1
Month ago	1135.7
Year ago	1112.4
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90239u2000 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) UPI - Several farm and food-related bills - such as seafood inspection, pesticide residue rules and farm loan reforms - face an uncertain future as time runs out for Congress to act, observers said Monday.

They unanimously agreed only one piece of legislation is sure to be enacted - the new farm policy law. With Congress aiming to adjourn in early October, other bills could be abandoned as too controversial, too unimportant or too slow in development.

The farm bill ''is a must'' for passage, said one House staff worker, because it would succeed a 1985 law that expires this fall. The bill would set the terms for commodity support programs for the coming five years as well as export, research, food aid and public feeding programs.

If necessary, action could be delayed on other matters, such as reforming the money-losing crop insurance program or revising food residue laws, the staff worker said, but the farm bill is a top-priority item.

With that in mind, there have been efforts in the House and Senate to use the farm bill as a vehicle for gaining passage of other initiatives.

''It was assumed from the start of the farm bill process that ... the one bill certain to go was the farm bill,'' said Ken Cook of the Center for Resource Economics, an environmental group. ''We tried to add a few more box cars.''

Proponents succeeded in toughening the protection for wetlands in the House and Senate versions of the farm bill. The bills contain slightly different provisions for organic food labeling, protecting sensitive lands and requiring farmers to keep records of pesticide use.

The outlook for other bills is less certain. Proposals to revise food safety laws have been hobbled by disagreements such as whether to use the administration's ''negligible risk'' standard or ban residues that pose a risk of cancer higher than one in 1 million over a lifetime.

Sen. David Durenberger, R-Minn., said last week that he doubted food safety legislation would pass this year.

If pesticide residue legislation is sidelined, the major consumer bill of the year could be creation of a mandatory federal seafood inspection program - assuming it passes. A voluntary system now inspects a fraction of the seafood consumed each year by Americans.

A well-informed Senate staff worker said there was ''a good chance'' for passage of the inspection bill. There are two rival plans in the Senate and three in the House. This is the first time in two decades that a

seafood bill has achieved committee passage.

''We're optimistic,'' said a spokeswoman for a consumer group, Public Voice for Food and Health Policy.

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#90239u2004 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	54 5-8	up 1 1-2
AT&T Company	33 1-8	up 1 1-4
BCE Corp	32	up 1-4
Bell Atlantic	42 3-8	up 2 1-4
BellSouth	51	up 1 1-8
Exxon Corp	49 1-2	up 5-8
Ford Motor	35 1-2	up 1 1-8
Genl Electric	63 3-4	up 2 3-8
Genl Motor	39	up 1 5-8
GTE Corp	25 1-2	up 1
IBM Corp	104	up 3 5-8
Mobil Corp	62 3-8	up 3-8
Nynex Corp	71 7-8	up 2 7-8
Pac Gas & El	20 3-4	up 1-4
Pac Telesis	38 3-8	up 1 3-8
Phila Elec	15	up 3-8
Sears Roebuck	28 5-8	up 5-8
Southern Co	23 1-2	up 1-4
Swstern Bell	49 1-8	up 1 5-8
U S West Co	34 3-4	up 1 3-8

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#90239u2008 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

SOFIA (AUG. 27) UPI - Bulgaria's major political parties sharply condemned Monday the overnight ransacking and torching of the offices of the ruling Socialist party, an attack linked by Socialist leaders to "neo-fascists" who were propelling the country "toward civil war."

About 20,000 demonstrators converged on Sofia's main square late Monday to protest the attack, which caused extensive damage inside the party's headquarters and two nearby office buildings.

"This barbaric act is one of the most dangerous manifestations ... of those reactionary forces and hawks of the opposition which we call neo-fascists," Socialist leader Alexander Lilov told the rally. "They want to push the country to the precipice and toward civil war. But we should

not be afraid ... We can defend ourselves," he said.

Hundreds of protesters broke away from a massive anti-communist demonstration late Sunday and stormed the headquarters of the former Communist Party, now known as the Bulgarian Socialist Party, witnesses said. They smashed windows, ransacked offices and set several fires in the worst unrest since the overthrow of hard-line leader Todor Zhivkov in November.

The attackers blocked firefighters from entering the building for several hours until riot police regained control early Monday. More than 50 people were detained by police, including 39 who were expected to face charges, the official news agence BTA said. It said several people were injured by broken glass.

The attack was strongly condemned by both the Socialist and the democratic opposition, with both sides appealing for an end to the violence. Union of Democratic Forces leader Peter Beron called for a ten-day moratorium on new demonstrations.

But Lilov urged Bulgarians to take to the streets in a "day of protest" - capped by a mass demonstration Monday night - to denounce the attack on his party's headquarters.

Demonstrators at the rally waved Bulgarian and Socialist party flags and chanted, "Fascists" and "No more retreats." A shouting match erupted with a smaller group of opposition supporters entered the square and began chanting, "Murderers" and "Mafia." There were no reports of violence, and the demonstrators later dispersed peacefully.

President Zhelyu Zhelev, former leader of the UDF, appealed for calm in a nationally broadcast address late Sunday. "This is a gross violation of public peace which nothing can justify and which puts the country in the danger of riots, chaos and civil war," BTA quoted Zhelev as saying. "This act is not a struggle for democracy but one of recklessly pushing the country toward military dictatorship."

The anti-communist demonstration Sunday was called to protest the Socialists' failure to tear down a giant red star atop of the party building. Socialist lawmakers had promised the star - which many Bulgarians regard as a blatant symbol of Stalinism - would be removed by the weekend.

Witnesses and Bulgarian journalists said police seemed strangely passive during the early hours of the assault on the party building. Several police officers later explained they had been waiting for direct orders to intervene.

National police director Christo Velichkov told BTA he believes the circumstances of the attack "raise reasonable suspicion of a conspiracy," but he did not elaborate.

Sofia was rife with rumors that the Socialists had allowed or even orchestrated the arson attack to destroy secret documents in the party's archives - a charge party officials flatly denied.

When Lilov and former President Peter Mladenov arrived to inspect the damaged building they were booed and jeered by a crowd of onlookers, some of whom began chanting "Bokov did it all." They were referring to Philip Bokov, an outspoken member of the BSP parliamentary caucus who once served as government spokesman under Mladenov.

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#90239u2010 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.10

60 to 89 days 8.10

90 to 119 days 8.11

120 to 149 days 8.12

150 to 179 days 8.25

180 to 270 days 8.25

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.00 - 7.92

Issuers 30 days 8.04

Issuers 90 days 7.76

Issuers 270 days 7.49

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days	7.99
60 to 89 days	7.95
90 to 119 days	8.00
120 to 149 days	7.89
150 to 179 days	7.92
180 days	7.86

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight	7 15-16	- 8 1-16
1 month	8 1-16	- 8 3-16
3 month	8.125	- 8.25
6 month	8.125	- 8.25
Year	8 5-16	- 8 7-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months	7.52	- 7.50
6 months	7.47	- 7.45
Year	7.36	- 7.34

Federal Funds: High 8 1-16, Low 8, Close 8 1-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 7.965 off 0.017.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90239u2052 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2611.63	up	78.71
20 Trans	908.03	up	38.32
15 Utils	194.42	up	3.46
65 Stocks	903.83	up	28.30

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#90239u2053 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2611.63	up	78.71	908.03	up	38.32	194.42	up	3.46
Friday	2532.92	up	49.50	869.71	up	8.40	190.96	off	0.75
Week ago	2656.43	up	11.63	930.29	up	6.38	201.46	up	0.32
Month ago	2917.33	up	18.82	1125.00	off	9.67	207.05	up	3.70
Year ago	2734.36	up	11.00	1492.89	up	24.90	218.94	up	0.54
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90239u2057 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 64 points higher to 10 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	75.05	75.30	74.40	75.05	74.82
Dec	72.60	73.24	72.35	72.99	72.35
Mar	73.80	74.00	73.35	73.92	73.40
May	74.10	74.35	74.10	74.30	73.88
Jly	74.02	74.35	74.02	74.15	73.76
Oct	70.00	....	....	69.90	70.00
Dec	68.30	68.40	68.15	68.17	68.25

Estimated sales: 8,700 contracts

Open interest: 33,268 off 1,226

The World spot average: 76.55

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#90239u2070 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (AUG. 27) UPI - Israel said Monday it would be satisfied if the gulf crisis ended without fighting, but warned that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would still pose a threat to world peace if he remained in power.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Defense Minister Moshe Arens each said in separate interviews that Israel had no intention of attacking any Arab country.

Appearing on Israel Educational Television's ''New Evening'' news program, Arens said he hoped the crisis would not be resolved with Saddam still in control of Iraq.

''We will be satisfied if the crisis ended without blood being spilt,'' he said. ''If Saddam Hussein remains in power and if the same weapons remain in his possession, then there is reason for us to worry, and for worry in the entire area and in the whole world.''

Arens said one positive aspect of the nearly 4-week-old crisis resulting from the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait was that the world had become aware of the danger Saddam presented.

The defense minister also dismissed a statement by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz that he believed Israel would attack his country during an Iraq-U.S. conflict.

''We are not dragging anyone into a war or into anything else,'' Arens said. ''We are presently not involved. Kuwait is situated more than 600 miles from Israel. We will be involved if we are attacked of course.''

Israel has repeatedly warned it would retaliate if attacked.

Shamir echoed the defense minister's sentiments that Israel did not habor hostile intentions.

''Israel has no plans to attack any Arab state, even the most extreme one '' the prime minister said. ''We want to live in peace in this area. If they don't touch us, we won't touch anyone.''

Reacting to Aziz's statement, Shamir said, ''I hope we will overcome this crisis peacefully.''

In an effort to increase civil defense preparedness, the city of Tel Aviv began distributing a booklet telling residents where to find their local bomb shelter and what to do during an attack on the coastal city, Israel Radio reported.

''It refers to shelters, it refers to chemical warfare, (it tells how) to

take precautions,'' Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat told the radio. ''Since people were to a very small extent in a very small situation of panic because they didn't know (what to do), here we give them all the answers.''

Since the start of the gulf crisis, Israeli officials and the media have stepped up efforts to instruct the public on civil defense procedures to counter increased concern about the prospect of an Iraqi conventional or chemical weapons attack.

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#90239u2071 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Monday - $33,550,000

1990 to date - $7,532,590,000

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#90239u2072 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	101,529,112	36 1/4	up 1/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	88,226,480	60 3/4	up 3 1/2
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	64,172,988	33 7/8	up 1
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	53,858,168	28 7/8	up 1 1/4
Reuters Hldgs	(RTRS)	48,529,616	51 3/4	up 3
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	45,710,008	68	up 6 1/2
Apple Comptr	(AAPL)	38,505,484	37 3/4	up 2 1/4
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	30,705,860	45 7/8	up 1 7/8
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	29,922,954	23 5/8	up 1 3/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	28,620,764	24	off 1/4

Composite Index 167.10 up 6.32

NMS volume 102,133,600 shares.

Advances	1,330
Declines	389
Unchanged	1,103
Total	2,822

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#90239u2073 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 27) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Monday - 11,810,000

1990 to date - 1,697,608,000

The market closed sharply higher.

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#90239u2086 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:
Stocks - 17,730,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,356,420,425
Bonds - $2,750,000
1990 to date - $475,290,000

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#90239u2088 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 27) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 176.29 up 5.14
ASE Market Value Index 320.73 up 4.44
Dow-Jones Industrial 2611.63 up 78.71

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#90239u2092 08/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	320.73	up 4.44
High Technology	320.81	up 14.46
Capital Goods	347.54	up 6.14
Consumer Goods	382.97	up 14.40
Service	709.80	up 26.01
Retail	1033.76	up 60.43
Financial	368.37	off 0.86
Natural Resources	246.07	off 5.83
Housing-Const-Land	326.38	up 4.19

There was a gain of 15 cents in the price of an Amex share.
REGIONALS

New England	404.22	up 8.86
Mid Atlantic	407.94	up 8.94
No Central	442.94	up 23.09
So Atlantic	909.59	up 18.81
So Central	312.18	up 7.41
Mountain	111.06	up 5.63
Pacific	371.89	up 12.52
Foreign	244.84	off 6.07

-30- 911
#90239u2109 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) UPI - The State Department announced Monday the expulsion of 36 Iraqi diplomats in retaliation for Iraq's actions against Americans in Kuwait and Iraq, and it held open the possibility of further moves against Iraq.

In the steps announced by State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler, the Iraqi Embassy in Washington will be forced to send 36 diplomats home as quickly as possible, leaving a total of 19 diplomatic personnel in Washington.

That is exactly the same as the number of American diplomats left operating in Kuwait and Iraq.

President Bush, speaking to reporters at his summer home in Maine, said he does not believe the steps would escalate tensions in the Persian Gulf crisis, stressing that, unlike the situation in Iraq, the United States is not detaining any Iraqis.

''Nobody will be held against their will,'' Bush said. ''They are all free to go. In essense, we're kind of keeping some reasonable parallelism in terms of numbers. So I don't think there's any chance of misunderstanding on that account.''

Deputy Assistant Secretary of State David Mack talked late Sunday to representatives of 34 other nations who have been restricted by the Iraqis in Kuwait, and they were urged to take similar steps against the Iraqis.

Visiting Bush in Maine, Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney said if his nation viewed itself as being in a similar situation, it also would take steps against Iraqi diplomats in Ottawa.

''What you have is an abuse of one of the most fundamental privileges of democratic and civilized nations, namely to be represented in another country without our representatives being harassed or intimidated or assaulted,'' Mulroney said. ''Those assaults can take place in many ways. We have to make sure that the fundamental rule of international law is respected.''

The Iraqis remaining in Washington will be forbidden to travel 25 miles beyond the center of the District of Columbia. The Iraqi mission to the United Nations will not be affected by the new orders.

The State Department, in describing the ''measured'' steps against the Iraqis, linked it directly to the blockade of the American Embassy in Kuwait and the seizure by Iraqi military authorities of Americans as human shields to prevent Iraqi military and industrial sites from being attacked.

Tutwiler said that seven more Americans have been seized by the Iraqis

during the past 24 hours, bringing to 63 the confirmed number of Americans in the custody of the Iraqi authorities. She said it is not known where the Americans were being held.

In addition to limiting the number and travel of the Iraqi diplomats, the State Department also informed the Iraqis that the diplomatic dependents will also be expected to leave. It said the visas for the remaining diplomats will be changed so that they will have to apply for permission to re-enter the United States every time they leave the country.

The Iraqis were informed of the new measures by deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger Monday morning when he called in the Iraqi ambassador Mohamed al-Mashat.

Al-Mashat is not being expelled.

Tutwiler said that Secretary of State James Baker, in Wyoming on a vacation that had been scheduled to last until Labor Day, will return to Washington early Tuesday to meet with President Bush.

Tutwiler said she would not discuss the next steps the United States had in mind if the gulf crisis continues, but she alluded several times to such further moves and a continuing study of U.S. options.

In a prepared statement, the department pointedly said that Iraq's diplomats at the United Nations will not be affected ''at this time.''

Tutwiler noted that food and electricity at the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait City have been cut. The ambassador and a staff of about 10 are believed to have enough food, water and fuel for auxiliary power to last ''several days.''

There has been no attempt by the Iraqis to enter the diplomatic compound, but the entrance remains blocked by Iraqi military forces.

According to Tutwiler, 25 other embassies in Kuwait remain open and staffed. When the crisis began there were about 65 foreign embassies operating in the Kuwaiti capital.

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#90239u2114 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) UPI - A new type of pill with the potential to release medication in the stomach constantly for up to 60 hours may free patients from taking pills for several days or more, researchers said Monday.

Before it is swallowed, a ''hydrogel'' pill looks like an ordinary solid

tablet, with drug hidden away inside a jelly-like center. But when a hydrogel is exposed to stomach-like conditions in the test-tube, it slowly absorbs water, starts swelling and gradually delivers the drug in a fashion similar to a time-released drug capsule.

Kinam Park, developer of the hydrogel and an associate pharmacy professsor at Purdue Univeristy in West Lafayette, Ind., said studies of dogs show hydrogels are capable of staying in the stomach for up to 60 hours. That is five times longer than the duration of current commercial oral-drug forms, said Park, whose work was funded by ICI Pharmaceuticals Group of Wilmington, Del.

Another advantage of hydrogels is that they appear to release drugs at a constant rate, while other oral routes of drug delivery release drugs only sporadically.

''The hydrogel overcomes the problem of drug levels fluctuating in the bloodstream, which is caused by taking multiple doses of the same medication over time,'' Park told the American Chemical Society's annual meeting.

Hydrogels' unique staying power stems from their surface, which becomes soft, flexible and slippery in water and enables the medication to resist strong stomach contractions that occur every two hours to move food through the intestines, Park said.

The new pills do not interfere with digestion in dogs, but so far the animals have only received hydrogels that do not contain drugs, he added. Studies of drug-containing hydrogels in animals are expected to begin next month.

''Our initial goal was to develop a drug-delivery form that would keep drug levels in the bloodstream constant for 24 hours,'' says Park, who has been working on hydrogels since 1986. ''It's not inconceivable that hydrogels could be developed to release drugs for one week at a time.''

Hydrogels' main components are a biodegradable polymer and albumin, a natural protein. After the hydrogel has finished releasing drugs in the body, it is broken down by a stomach enzyme and eliminated from the body naturally.

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#90239u2122 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.34	up 0.30

10 Public Utils	89.95	off 0.23
10 Industrials	88.74	up 0.83

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#90239u2124 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
30 Indus	2621.53	2645.05	2590.59	2611.63	up	78.71
20 Trans	892.70	916.24	888.50	908.03	up	38.32
15 Utils	194.04	196.55	193.16	194.42	up	3.46
65 Stock	901.41	914.22	893.54	903.83	up	28.30

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	22,914,000	28,521,000
Trans	3,533,800	4,015,700
Utils	4,174,600	5,006,800
65 Stock	30,622,300	37,543,500

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.34	up 0.30
10 Public Utils	89.95	off 0.23
10 Industrials	88.74	up 0.83

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 134.16 off 1.68.

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#90239u2127 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Philip Morris	2,901,500	44 3/4	up	1 1/2
Wal-Mart Stores	2,798,800	29	up	2 1/4
Genl Electric	2,650,000	63 1/2	up	2 1/8
Texas Utilities	2,282,900	35	up	3/8
Boeing Co	2,177,500	48 3/8	up	2 1/2
AT&T Co	2,065,100	33 1/8	up	1 1/4
Genl Motors	1,886,800	39	up	1 5/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,650,600	30 7/8	up	1 7/8
IBM Corp	1,575,100	104 3/8	up	4
Ford Motor	1,569,500	35 3/8	up	1
Fedl Natl Mtge wt	1,454,200	16 7/8	up	1 3/4

American Barrick	1,405,800	20 1/4	off 1 7/8
Bristol Myers	1,379,400	59 1/2	up 1 3/4
Waste Managment	1,367,300	38 1/8	up 2 1/8
Toys R Us	1,359,000	26 1/4	up 1 1/4

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#90239u2131 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	368.75	221.52	124.60	23.18	311.51
Opening	379.07	226.45	127.84	23.88	320.17
11 a.m.	380.33	229.43	128.15	23.88	321.17
Noon	379.51	229.58	127.96	23.84	320.54
1 p.m.	381.22	231.00	128.44	23.94	321.95
2 p.m.	382.04	232.57	128.87	24.00	322.72
3 p.m.	380.44	231.07	128.31	23.89	321.34
Close	380.71	231.29	127.90	23.93	321.44
Change	up 11.96	up 9.77	up 3.30	up 0.75	up 9.93

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#90239u2137 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg
400 Ind	382.55	368.75	380.71	up	11.96
20 Trans	233.05	221.52	231.29	up	9.77
40 Utils	129.01	124.60	127.90	up	3.30
40 Fncl	24.03	23.17	23.93	up	0.75
500 Stocks	323.11	311.51	321.44	up	9.93

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#90239u2141 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Corona Corp A	1,852,400	5 3/8	off	7/8
Paine Webber Gr wtB	921,100	6 1/4	off	1 5/8
Salomon wtJn	872,400	14 5/8	off	2
ENSCO	540,400	4	off	1/4
Echo Bay Mn	528,100	12 7/8	off	1 3/8
Amer Expl	470,000	3 7/8	off	1/4

Salomon Phibro	456,100	4 1/8	off 5/8
Salomon wtFb	420,200	15 1/2	off 2 1/8
Denmark K wt	411,600	15 1/2	off 2 1/2
Eksport wt	336,600	6 1/2	off 1 3/4

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#90239u2142 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Monday	380.71	231.29	127.90	23.93	321.44
Friday	368.75	221.52	124.60	23.18	311.51
Week ago	387.73	235.27	133.72	24.48	328.51
Month ago	420.23	272.47	138.13	27.68	355.55
Year ago	403.53	323.08	141.14	33.44	352.09
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	362.23	220.36	124.60	22.87	307.06

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#90239u2146 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	10	3	15
New lows	62	307	326

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	1,436	142,596,100
Declines	258	12,315,500
Unchanged	282	5,238,400
Total	1,976	160,150,000

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#90239u2152 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	5
New lows	51

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	480	7,930,900
Declines	157	8,113,500
Unchanged	194	1,685,600
Total	831	17,730,000

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(AUG. 27) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6480	up	280
Woolworth pf	151	off	40 3/8
Kyocera Ltd	104 3/4	up	7 1/4
LillyE wt	70 1/4	up	6 3/4
Matsushita Elec	126 7/8	up	5 7/8
Hitachi Ltd	94 3/8	up	5 5/8
Atl Rch pfC	316 5/8	off	5 1/2
Disney World	103 1/8	up	5 1/4
Nucor Corp	67 1/8	up	5 1/8
Newmont Gold	47	off	4 3/8
Bausch & Lomb	62 3/4	up	4 3/8

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 27) UPI - The State Department named Libya Monday as the chief backer of an abortive terrorist raid on an Israeli beach, calling it ''one of the clearest examples ever established of state sponsorship of terrorism.''

The charge, and supporting evidence that Libya supplied the mother ship for the May 30 operation, came in a white paper released Monday by the State Department.

Abu Abbas, a Palestinian leader with a history of connections to terrorism claimed responsibility for the failed raid on a beach near Tel Aviv. Since he is a member of the Executive Council of the Palestine Liberation Organization, the United States has suspended its dialogue with the PLO until the organization distances itself from the incident.

In the white paper, the State Department said planning for the operation began as early as October 1988, with training of the Palestinian commandos taking place at Libyan military bases.

The report said Libya supplied the the assault boats used in the attack and also purchased the mother ship, a small freighter, ''Tiny Star,'' in April. The freighter's previous name had been ''Inger M.''

The white paper said the Tiny Star was first spotted in port in Tripoli, and was then moved to a Libyan naval base east of Tripoli, where six of

the assault boats were loaded aboard.

It then sailed to Ras el-Hilal, a port near the Egyptian border, where 16 Palestinians were taken aboard.

After launching the assault boats on May 30, the Tiny Star, according to the report, sailed west, mingling in with Suez Canal traffic and then returned to Tripoli in late June.

The Israeli navy spotted the Palestinian assault boats, sinking several and capturing two of the boats, along with four Palestinians who said that their instructions had been to create as many civilian casualties as possible. No Israelis were hurt in the operation.

''The May 30 attack showed that Libya continues to consider international terrorism to be a tool of its foreign policy,'' the State Department said.

''Tripoli's support for the attack makes a mockery of its public promises in 1989 to end its support for terrorism.''

The State Department said it believes that ''pressure is needed to persuade (Libya) to change its policy'' and it has asked other nations to join the campaign until Libya stops its support of terrorism.

The report also linked Libya with attacks in the Philippines on American targets by the New Peoples Army.

In addition, it said Abu Bakr, the leader of the violent attempt to overthrow the government of Trinidad and Tobago, has publicly acknoweldged links to Libya.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austrl	.000163	.000159	6144.00	6272.00
Australia dlr	.8290	.8300	1.2063	1.2048
Austria schill	.0917	.0916	10.90	10.92
Belgium frnc-c	.0315	.0314	31.79	31.87
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0143	.0145	70.10	69.03

Britain pound	1.9430	1.9430	.5147	.5147
Britain 1-mo	1.9318	1.9323	.5177	.5175
Britain 3-mo	1.9116	1.9118	.5231	.5231
Britain 6-mo	1.8841	1.8842	.5308	.5307
Canada dollar	.8759	.8803	1.1417	1.1360
Canada 1-mo	.8724	.8767	1.1463	1.1406
Canada 3-mo	.8662	.8705	1.1545	1.1487
Canada 6-mo	.8584	.8630	1.1650	1.1588
Chile peso-f	.003276	.003315	305.29	301.69
China yuan	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127
Colombia pes	.001952	.001954	512.32	511.76
Denmark krne	.1689	.1683	5.9205	5.9415
Ecudr sucr-z	.001131	.001116	884.07	895.95
Egypt pound	.3769	.3769	2.6530	2.6530
Finlnd mrkka	.2741	.2733	3.6480	3.6595
France franc	.1923	.1913	5.2010	5.2280
France 1-mo	.1920	.1910	5.2091	5.2360
France 3-mo	.1917	.1903	5.2178	5.2546
France 6-mo	.1902	.1893	5.2565	5.2840
Greece drach	.006593	.006560	151.68	152.43
Hollnd guildr	.5720	.5691	1.7481	1.7571
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1287	7.7720	7.7720
India rupee	.0579	.0580	17.28	17.23
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000536	1844.00	1866.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7290	1.7360	0.5784	0.5760
Israel shekel	.5045	.5051	1.9820	1.9800
Italy lira	.000870	.000863	1149.00	1158.75
Japan yen	.006940	.006821	144.10	146.60
Japan 1-mo	.006924	.006835	144.42	146.30
Japan 3-mo	.006935	.006831	144.20	146.40
Japan 6-mo	.006920	.006826	144.50	146.50
Jordan dinar	1.5420	1.5420	.6485	.6485
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico pes-z	.000348	.000348	2876.00	2876.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6262	.6265	1.5969	1.5962
Norway krne	.1666	.1661	6.0010	6.0220
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.52	21.52
Peru inti	.000003	.000003	344,750	339,825
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escd	.007352	.007322	136.02	136.57
Saudi riyal	.2674	.2674	3.7401	3.7396
Singapore dlr	.5640	.5630	1.7730	1.7763
S.Africa rand	.3944	.3936	2.5356	2.5406
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010438	.010363	95.80	96.50

Sweden krona	.1752	.1746	5.7080	5.7290
Switzrl franc	.7855	.7880	1.2730	1.2690
Switzrl 1-mo	.7854	.7879	1.2733	1.2692
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7847	.7874	1.2744	1.2700
Switzrl 6-mo	.7838	.7870	1.2759	1.2707
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.89	26.89
Turkey lira	.000376	.000377	2657.00	2650.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2731	3.6628	3.6618
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0210	.0210	47.67	47.67
W.Ger Mark	.6452	.6477	1.5500	1.5440
W.Ger 1-mo	.6451	.6476	1.5501	1.5441
W.Ger 3-mo	.6449	.6474	1.5507	1.5447
W.Ger 6-mo	.6441	.6467	1.5526	1.5463
Yugosl dinar	.0919	.0937	10.88	10.67

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Wa- shington, D.C.

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(AUG. 27) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	245.50	248.90	245.50	247.10	239.05
Dec	247.15	251.25	247.15	250.10	242.15
Mar	....	....	....	253.60	245.65

Previous day volume: 67 contracts.
Open interest: 1,296 off 45.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	322.00	324.90	318.00	322.80	313.00
Dec	329.00	329.00	321.65	326.60	316.65
Mar	331.00	331.65	327.15	329.65	319.65
Jun	336.00	336.00	332.00	333.75	323.75

Today's estimated volume: 47,464 contracts.
Open interest: 143,784 up 2,487

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	174.60	177.90	174.60	176.85	171.60

Dec 179.50 180.00 178.00 178.85 173.50
Mar 180.00 180.00 179.50 180.85 175.35
Open interest: 6,004 up 62
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	530.00	536.00	526.50	534.35	517.35
Oct	529.25	537.50	529.25	536.60	519.75

Estimated volume 4,150 contracts.
Open interest: 6,632 up 583

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DALLAS (AUG. 27) UPI - The Justice Department Monday said E-Systems Inc., a defense electronics company, agreed to plead guilty to defrauding the government on contracts and to pay $4.65 million to settle criminal and civil charges.

The contracts were for Army field radios, built by an E-Systems division and used by soldiers and commanders in the field. The nation's 58th largest defense contractor had been accused of falsifying the test results.

The government said that in a plea, entered Monday in a Florida federal district court, E-Systems and its Memcor Division in Bushnell, Fla., agreed to plead guilty to a three-count criminal information.

The information charged that the company and others conspired to falsify records and test results of tactical field radios supplied to the Army. The company also agreed to plead guilty to filing and receiving payments based on the submission of false information.

The department said E-Systems will be pay $2 million criminal fine and $1.8 million in restitution. An additional $850,000 will be paid as civil settlment.

The agreement also called for E-Systems to drop its pending $38 million lawsuit against the government.

The government said that the testing practices themselves were defective. It said the test and performance records were repeatedly altered and that the company concealed repairs and defects in test radios to ensure that the Army would accept and pay for them.

The case resulted from an investigation by the Justice Department, the Army's Criminal Investigation Command, and the FBI. The investigation began after the 1985 termination of two E-Systems contracts.

E-Systems appealed the termination to the Armed Services Board of Contract

Appeal and that the testing program irregularities were noticed at the time.

Earlier this month, three former managers and a former supervisor at Memcor Division were charged by a federal grand jury with repeatedly falsifying records and test results to conceal failures and defects in the radios, the government said.

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DETROIT (AUG. 27) UPI - The Roadmaster name is back on a Buick for the first time in 33 years. And there are even hints of a port hole or two.

General Motors Corp.'s Buick division was expected to announce Tuesday at its new model preview in Novi, Mich., that its largest Buicks will carry the Roadmaster name, used from 1936 to 1958 on its posher models.

The name will appear this fall on a large, aerodynamically styled rear-drive station wagon that shares the same platform as GM's new Chevrolet Caprice and Oldsmobile Custom Cruiser wagons that will also be 1991 models.

A Roadmaster and Roadmaster Limited sedan will bow in the spring as 1992 models, Buick executives said. The Roadmaster Estate wagon will be powered by a 170-horsepower 5-liter V-8 engine, while the sedans will get a 180 hp 5.7-liter V-8.

Appearing on the Roadmaster sedan will be one of the most famous Buick design hallmarks ever - the ''port holes'' that adorned the front fenders of many Buicks starting in 1949.

The 1992-model Roadmaster has a hint of them on its sail panels, described by Buick's chief exterior designer, Wayne A. Kady, as four ''segments.''

But Kady stressed that the Roadmaster is anything but a throwback in time.

''We believe that the traditional, large American rear-wheel drive luxury car should not stand still in terms of progress,'' he said, adding that the new Roadmaster ''combines a traditional name with contemporary technology.''

Buick also plans to offer a limited number of its new front-drive Park Avenue sedans with a supercharged version of its 3800 V-6 engine. The Park Avenue and Park Avenue Ultra sedans, which have been completely redesigned for 1991, have a normally aspirated version of that engine as standard equipment.

Both the new Roadmaster and Park Avenue sedans will have a driver's side air bag and anti-lock brakes as standard equipment.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	129,401,400
Advances	1,560
Declines	543
Unchanged	2,175
Total	4,277

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NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	381.27	up	13.94	388.59	467.19
Industrial	408.46	up	17.75	413.33	453.98
Finance	381.25	up	7.81	388.71	552.77
Insurance	443.53	up	6.61	455.55	535.19
Utility	503.48	up	20.75	531.34	734.14
Bank	283.37	up	4.87	287.87	490.19
Transport	421.54	up	11.22	430.88	463.59

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 360.59

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	167.10	up	6.32
Industrial Index	161.54	up	7.30
NASDAQ-100 Index	387.95	up	18.02

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NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Stocks had their best day of 1990 and their biggest gain in almost a year Monday, with the runup fueled by fading fears of war in the Mideast and a resulting plunge in oil prices, as well as by a bond market rally.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which jumped 49.50 Friday, soared 78.71 to close at 2611.63. The gain was the biggest of the year and the best since a surge of 88.12 posted last Oct. 16, when the market bounced back from the 190-point ''mini-crash'' the previous trading day.

Monday's advance was broad-based as well, with winners leading losers 1,457-254 - a margin of 7 to 1 among the 1,982 issues traded.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 5.14 to 176.19 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rallied 9.93 to 321.44. The price of an average share surged 90 cents.

Secondary markets also scored strong advances.

NYSE volume was moderate, amounting to 160,150,000 shares vs. 199,040,000 traded Friday.

The Dow soared 50 points in the first 10 minutes of activity, triggering for the first time the exchange's rule curbing stock buying linked to index arbitrage. The rule says such buying can only be completed after the issues involved trade at a lower price and remains in effect unless the Dow retreats to a 25-point gain. The blue-chip index showed a gain of as much as 94 points during the day but ended off those highs.

Analysts called the sharp gain a ''reflex action'' after the market's plunge since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2. The Dow industrials had lost more than 415 points - about 14 percent of their value - since the invasion, before rallying Friday and Monday.

''Thursday's smashing brought us to an extremely oversold condition,'' said Ralph Bloch, chief market analyst at Raymond, James & Associates in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Analysts mainly attributed the dramatic surge to relief among investors that the situation in the Middle East seems to have stabilized, at least for now.

''The market had discounted (factored into stock prices) a war,'' Bloch said, ''and then when it didn't happen over the weekend, we rallied. I think even if some hostility had started over weekend, we would have sold off for about 21 minutes and then rallied with people saying, 'Let's get some bargains.'''

The market was heartened by news that U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar plans to meet Thursday with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, boostinghopes that the crisis could be resolved diplomatically.

Falling oil prices and a rally in the bond market also gave rise to sentiment that stocks had fallen too far, too fast.

Oil futures for October delivery closed down $4 a barrel amid reports of progress among members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting

Countries in efforts to boost production and in light of the relatively stable state of affairs in the Persian Gulf, analysts said.

Bloch noted that many oil stocks began to retreat last week even while oil prices were rallying ''in anticipation of something like this,'' Bloch said. Oil stocks followed the dominant trend Monday, gaining even during a plunge in crude prices. And airline issues, heavy users of fuel, rallied, sending the Dow transportation average up almost 4.5 percent. The average soared 38.32 to 908.03.

A rally in Treasury issues - and a consequent drop in interest rates - also fueled the rally in stocks. Bonds were up 1 1/2 points in late action bolstered by the plunge in oil prices, since an oil price rise is an indicator of inflation. A Wall Street Journal report that the Federal Reserve is leaning toward lowering interest rates to forestall a recession also boosted the bond market.

So where will Wall Street go from here? ''We won't take off in a straight-line advance, but any pullback or testing of the low hit Thursday should be successful,'' said Bloch. ''I think the peak downside momentum was reached on Thursday, and any subsequent test of those levels will not have that kind of intensity.''

On the trading floor, Philip Morris was the most active issue, up 1 1/2 to 44 3/4.

Wal-Mart followed, surging 2 1/4 to 29. General Electric was third, jumping 2 1/8 to 63 1/2. Boeing was also active, advancing 2 1/2 to 48 3/8.

Among other blue chips, AT&T climbed 1 1/4 to 33 1/8, IBM rallied 4 to 104 3/8, Procter & Gamble surged 4 to 75 7/8, Merck soared 3 5/8 to 81 and General Motors rallied 1 5/8 to 39.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 197,941,480 shares, compared with 241,133,530 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices rallied in active trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index jumped 4.44 to 320.73. Advances led declines 480-157 among the 831 issues traded. The price of an average share rose 15 cents. Composite volume was 20,164,000 shares vs. 24,619,695 shares traded Friday.

Corona Corp. Class A led the Amex issues, down 7/8 to 5 3/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rallied 13.94 to 381.27 - the over-the-counter market indicator's biggest one-day

gain since rebounding from the October 1987 market crash. It surged 16.25 on Oct. 30, 1987.

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(AUG. 27) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.97	8.07	8.95
91-day Treasury bills	7.78	7.70	8.00
182-day Treasury bills	7.88	7.87	7.92
1-year Treasury bills	7.90	7.95	7.77
3-year Treasury notes	8.34	8.46	8.39
7-year Treasury notes	8.77	8.92	8.31
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	9.01	9.16	8.23
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.53	9.70	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.00	10.12	9.29
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.29	9.41	9.34
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.55	9.69	9.30
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.57	9.69	9.48
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.56	9.68	9.46

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	382.22	367.35	381.27	up 13.94
Industrial	409.27	394.37	408.46	up 17.75
Finance	381.49	374.35	381.25	up 7.81
Insurance	445.59	437.13	443.53	up 6.61
Utility	509.54	487.20	503.48	up 20.75
Bank	283.42	278.64	283.37	up 4.87
Transport	422.96	411.82	421.54	up 11.22

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-23) 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	167.10	up 6.32
Industrial Index	161.54	up 7.30
NASDAQ-100 Index	387.95	up 18.02
(largest non-fin'cl)		
Average price per share	8.66	up 0.33
Volume	102,133,600	shares
Advances	1,330	
Declines	389	
Unchanged	1,103	
Total	2,822	

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NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	176.80	175.42	176.18	up 5.13
Industrial	221.15	219.45	220.50	up 6.56
Transport	142.01	138.77	141.13	up 5.44
Utility	83.84	83.00	83.09	up 2.13
Finance	124.16	123.39	123.93	up 3.58

Equivalent to a gain of 90 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 160,150,000 shares.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASKETBALL

Orlando - Named George Scholz assistant coach; announced promotion of Jack Swope to executive vice president/assistant general manager.

COLLEGE

Auburn - Named Randy Holden women's tennis coach.

Cornell - Named Dorothy Diggs women's ice hockey coach.

Austin Peay - Promoted assistant LaDonna Wilson to head basketball coach.

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Cut tackle Scott Adams, guard Scott Barrows, wide receivers Dana Brinson and Gary Lee, defensive end Jackie Cline, safety Chris Ellison, cornerbacks William Evers, Albert Thomas and Kevin Guidry, tight end Mark Hopkins, linebacker Darrell Jordan, safety Kenny Johnson, center Jason Kuipers and defensive linemen Greg Ross and Randy Watts.

Cincinnati - Traded linebacker Joe Kelly and offensive tackle Scott Jones to the New York Jets for rights to wide receiver Reggie Rembert.

Cleveland - Cut cornerback Mike Wallace, wide receiver-kick returner Kerry Simien, safety Ellis Dillahunt, cornerback Anthony Florence, offensive linemen Matt Patchan, Pete Scott and Kevin Simons and tight end Kevin Sprinkles.

Green Bay - Released quarterback Kirk Baumgartner, tight end John Spagnola and defensive back Van Jakes.

NY Giants - Cut running back Aaron Emmanuel, quarterback Scooter Molander, wide receivers Bruce Lang and Clarence Seay, punter Billy Smith, defensive end Mike Shepherd, nose tackle Otis Moore, offensive lineman Rich Apolskis and defensive back Tracy Gravely; placed defensive back Joe Fishback on injured reserve.

NY Jets - Placed defensive tackle Marty Lyons on injured reserve; cutdefensive backs George Radachowsky and Carl Howard, linebacker Demetrious Douglas and offensive tackle Jeff Oliver; placed defensive backs Rich Miano, Terry Williams and tight end Pat Kelly on physically unable to perform list; placed defensive lineman Paul Frase on the non-football illness list.

Pittsburgh - Waived defensive lineman Mace Gouldsby, linebacker Mitch Lee and wide receiver Bob Gordon.

OLYMPICS

USA Hockey Olympic Committee - Named Larry Johnson general manager of 1992 team.

TENNIS

Association of Tennis Professionals - Suspended Thomas Muster for 10 weeks and fined him $20,000 for defaulting a match Aug. 6.

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#90239u2668 08/27/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 27) UPI - The United States today gave 36 Iraqi diplomats three days to get out of the country. The Bush administration is encouraging other countries to follow suit. The move is a payback for Iraq's dragnet around U-S Embassy officials in Kuwait... and for Iraq's taking of hostages. President Bush said the move helps equalize the number of Iraqi and U-S diplomats on each other's turf.

The U-N secretary-general during his meeting with Iraq's foreign minister, he will seek the withdrawal of Iraqi soldiers from Kuwait and the release of detained foreigners. Both conditions have been called for in U-N resolutions. U-N leader Javier Perez de Cuellar has known the Iraqi foreign minister for many years. Perez de Cuellar mediated the cease-fire between Iran and Iraq in 1988.

Another verdict in an Iran-Contra-related case was returned today. A federal jury in a civil case in Miami refused to award damages in a lawsuit filed after a supply plane for Nicaraguan rebels crashed. Airman Eugene Hasenfus and the family of his deceased co-pilot filed the suit. Wallace Sawyer was killed in the crash of the Southern Air Transport plane four years ago. Hasenfus was jailed for three months in Nicaragua.

Two aircraft companies and three executives were indicted in Miami today on charges of conspiring to export missiles and airplane parts to Iran. The indictment named Bet-Air Incorported and its chairman and general manager. Also charged were Victoria Aircraft of Luxembourg and its operator. Prosecutors say the shipments to Iran from 1983 to 1985 included parts for the the Grumann F-14 Tomcat.

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(AUG. 27) UPI - A member of Stevie Ray Vaughan's organization says Vaughan took the last seat aboard a helicopter leaving a concert because he was in a hurry to get home. The helicopter hit a hill in dense fog and crashed near the Alpine Valley Music Theater in Wisconsin this morning. Vaughan and three members of Eric Clapton's entourage plus the pilot were killed. Vaughan was a 35-year-old two-time Grammy-winning blues guitarist.

The Soviet Union reportedly will publish for the first time Nikita Krushchev's secret 1956 speech denouncing dictator Josef Stalin and his ''cult of personality.'' The independent Interfax news service reported in Moscow today that Krushchev's speech shocked a Soviet Congress with Stalin's crimes. Kruschev's speech has NEVER been published... purportedly for fear of dis-illusioning the Soviet people.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 27) UPI - Boris Becker and Steffi Graf came through with straight sets victories Monday to begin defense of their U.S. Open titles in impressive fashion.

Becker, faced with a difficult opening day opponent in Juan Aguilera, ranked 19th in the world, responded in championship style by posting a 7-5 6-3, 6-2 victory over the 28-year-old Spaniard.

Graf, seven months removed from her last Grand Slam crown, faced a different kind of obstacle than her countryman, enduring two rain delays before completing a 6-1, 6-1 rout of Canadian qualifier Maureen Drake.

Graf, the world's No. 1 woman player, did suffer the indignity of dropping her service once before capturing her 11th consecutive match since losing the Wimbledon semifinals to Zina Garrison.

Becker, mindful of his first-round loss to Goran Ivanisevic in the French Open, as well as a defeat to Aguilera in the Hamburg final in May, stumbled only slightly before closing strong.

After breaking for a 3-2 edge in the opening set, Becker fell behind 5-3. But he swept the next four games to take the set.

Again in the second set Becker won the last four games, and in the third set he jumped to a 4-1 lead.

''It felt this year much better than any other year, even with the rain delay,'' Becker said of his return to Center Court, where he defeated Ivan Lendl in the 1989 final.

This was only Aguilera's second appearance at the U.S. Open, the first since 1984, and Becker commented, ''He hasn't played many hard court tournaments, and I hope he doesn't play many more.''

Becker delivered only two aces, but put in 66 percent of his first serves and totaled 11 service winners.

Graf had won eight of nine Grand Slam titles before failing in the French and at Wimbledon, but she since has had sinus surgery and says she is back in top form.

The Stadium Court match required merely 41 minutes of playing time, but started in bright sunshine under temperatures of 90 degrees, and ended in premature darkness just a few minutes before the start of another heavy rainstorm.

French Open champion Monica Seles, awarded the honor of playing the first match on Center Court, crushed Elena Pampoulova of Bulgaria, 6-0, 6-0, in

44 minutes.

Seles, a 16-year-old Yugoslavian who lives in Florida, now has won 42 of her last 43 matches, the only loss coming to Garrison in the Wimbledon quarterfinals.

A thunderstorm struck the stadium with Graf leading 4-1, 30-30 in the opening set. Following a delay of 62 minutes, Drake reached break point, but was unable to convert.

A second suspension of 25 minutes came with Graf leading 2-1 in the second set. Drake, an amateur ranked No. 173, broke Graf's serve in the second game, but the 21-year-old West German retaliated in the next game.

After the second delay, Graf swept the final four games.

''I think she was quite nervous, you could feel it,'' Graf said of Drake. ''It was quite good to win a match like that.''

Drake agreed, saying, ''The nerves were rattling in my body. I was thinking 'my God, I'm playing Steffi.' I was just thinking about getting a game.''

Asked if she wished her opponent had played with more consistency, Graf joked, ''Then I would be waiting for the court to dry again.''

Seles is making a conscious effort to minimize her grunting on court, and said it was easy to control Monday because of the easy time she enjoyed. Pampoulova, 18 and ranked No. 75, won merely 23 points. She never had a break point and only in one game did she get to deuce.

Seles, ranked third in the world, believes that in theory the U.S. Open should determine this year's top woman player. She won the French, Graf won the Australian and No. 2 Martina Navratilova captured Wimbledon.

''If one of us won here, she would have two Grand Slams,'' Seles explained. ''It is going to be very competitive here. It's been many years since women's tennis has been this close. It's a more open field here and anyone can beat anyone.''

Thomas Muster, seeded sixth among the men, overcame Aki Rahunen of Finland 5-7, 6-4, 6-0, 3-0 (ret.), then said he was appealing a severe penalty imposed Sunday by the Association of Tennis Professionals.

Muster was suspended for 10 weeks and fined $20,000 for violations of the ATP code of Conduct. The Austrian retired after dropping the first game of a match against Claudio Pistolesi Aug. 6 because of an injury.

Jim Courier, the 14th seed, defeated Australian Wally Masur, 6-4, 6-0, 5-7 6-1, and Tim Mayotte, a quarterfinalist at Flushing Meadows in 1989, was an opening round victim this year, bowing to Thierry Champion of France in four sets.

Eighth seed Mary Joe Fernandez breezed past Ann Henricksson, 6-1, 6-1, and No. 11 Helena Sukova barely edged Britain's Jo Durie, 1-6, 7-6 (7-3), 7-6 (7-5), in 2 hours and 17 minutes. Sukova, a 1986 Open finalist, was saved by her big serve as she registered 5 aces and 14 service winners.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 28) UPI - A soybean trader at the Chicago Board of Trade pleaded guilty Monday to one count each of conspiracy and tax fraud to avoid going to trial on more than 200 federal fraud charges.

James D. Nowak, 48, Elk Grove Village, became the 17th of 19 CBOT soybean pit traders to plead guilty since their indictments last summer.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Dan Gillogly said Nowak and the other 16 traders to enter pleas have all agreed to testify against the remaining two when their trial opens before U.S. District Judge George Marovich on Sept. 10.

During a hearing before Marovich Monday, Nowak pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act or RICO, and one count of filing a false federal income tax return.

In exchange, the government dropped a second RICO count, 56 counts of mailf fraud, and 180 counts of violating the U.S. Commodities Exchange Act.

Nowak was among a total 46 traders indicted in August 1989 as a result of an undercover investigation of corruption in the trading pits of the Chicago Board of Tradd mnd Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

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	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	74	53	.583	-	37-27	37-26	6-4	L-3
New York	70	55	.560	3	40-22	30-33	4-6	L-2
Montreal	66	61	.520	8	35-25	31-36	4-6	L-1
Chicago	60	66	.476	13 1/2	31-32	29-34	4-6	L-1
Philadel.	59	66	.472	14	29-28	30-38	4-6	W-1
St. Louis	58	69	.457	16	30-38	28-31	4-6	L-2

West								
Cincinnati	73	53	.579	-	37-25	36-28	5-5	W-3
Los Angeles	67	60	.528	6 1/2	39-27	28-33	7-3	W-2
San Fran.	66	61	.520	7 1/2	36-28	30-33	6-4	L-1
San Diego	60	66	.476	13	32-35	28-31	5-5	W-1
Houston	57	71	.445	17	37-26	20-45	5-5	W-2
Atlanta	49	78	.386	24 1/2	27-36	22-42	5-5	W-1

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Aqua Buoy Corp. (OTC:Pink sheets) Tuesday announced its audited annual earnings for the year ending June 30, 1990.

The company's revenues for the year ending June 30, 1990, increased to $969,952 with the cost of sales totalling $357,022 resulting in a gross profit of $612,930. The company's operating expenses totalled $565,363 resulting in a profit of $47,567 for the year or 4 cents per share.

In comparison, the company's revenues for the year ending June 30, 1989, were $381,843 with cost of sales totalling $214,241 resulting a gross profit of $167,602. The company's operating expenses totalled $359,000 resulting in a loss of ($191,757) for the year or (18 cents) per share.

The company is the worldwide distributor of Aqua Buoy, a patented flotation aid, and the company also distributes several other marine-related safety products as: Sea Band, Flaresafe, Life-A-Line, Radartron, Hydro Belt, Aquacizer, Pro Team Fiberglass Restorer, Aqua Zinc, Capt. Tolley's Creeping Crack Cure, Poison Alert and Pullpa Non Glass lighters.

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DAYTON, OH (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. today announced the opening of a porting center in Columbia, S.C., to provide technical assistance for third party software vendors.

The Columbia Porting Center provides assistance to those third party vendors porting UNIX, OS/2 and DOS-based systems. These systems are the foundation of NCR's strategic architecture -- Open, Cooperative Computing Architecture (OCCA).

''Recognizing the importance of software availability, NCR has developed

porting centers to provide technical support for software providers, or Solutions Partners,'' said Robert James, vice president, NCR's Cooperative Marketing Division. ''The opening of the Columbia Porting Center further demonstrates our commitment to third party vendors and to Open, Cooperative Computing.''

The center assists third party vendors in porting application solutions to NCR hardware, software and communications systems.

For example, the Columbia Porting Center can assist third party vendors in migration of software solutions to the NCR TOWER family, the NCR PC family and TOWERVIEW -- NCR's X Windows workstation. The porting center's staff assists Solutions Partners in planning, designing, debugging and testing.

In addition, the center can be used as a remote help facility or can be used to gain access to development systems. Services provided by the porting center are offered free of charge.

In addition to the Columbia Porting Center, NCR operates the Retail Porting Center in Atlanta and the Financial Porting Center in Dayton.

NCR, based in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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PALO ALTO, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Co. (NYSE:HWP) has established a U.S.-only toll-free telephone number (1-800-233-5153) that customers can call to determine if their HP LaserJet IIP printer is one of approximately 70,000 manufactured during the early months of the printer's release that have faulty power supplies.

The company will replace the power supply of affected HP LaserJet IIP printers at no charge to customers. (Customers in Canada should contact their local HP-authorized dealer or HP customer-service center.)

The failures do not represent a safety hazard but will result in a front control-panel message ''50 NEEDS SERVICE'' that halts operation of the printer.

Owners of HP LaserJet IIP printers purchased before March 1990 are encouraged to call the toll-free number. HP will match the customer's

printer serial number against those of printers known to have faulty power supplies. (The printer serial number is located at the back of the printer, to the left of the power cord.) Products with serial numbers that begin with 3 do not have faulty power supplies.

Customers who have printers with faulty power supplies will be given the option to:

o contact their local HP authorized dealer or HP customer-service center to have the power supply replaced free of charge; or

o return the printer to HP and receive a remanufactured printer with a full one-year warranty in exchange (HP covers all shipping costs).

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries.

Hewlett-Packard Co. has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Imatron announced revenues of $2,797,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, as compared to $3,955,000 for the June 30, 1989 quarter.

The net loss was $1,653,000, as compared to $982,000 in the prior quarter. Revenues for the six-month period ending June 30 were $5,096,000, as compared to $8,417,000 in the prior six-month period.

Results were unfavorably impacted by fewer machine shipments, continued high R&D expenditures for new products, and lower parts and services revenues. The backlog for ultrafast scanners increased to five units at June 30 compared to three units at Dec. 31.

A major R&D effort in the company has been the development of an explosive detection baggage scanner for use at airports. The company met certain pre-prototype demonstration specifications in May and received an additional advance of $500,000 in July from FI.M.A.I. Holding, S.A., a

parent of its European distributor.

Imatron and FI.M.A.I. have entered into an agreement to establish a joint venture corporation, Imatron Industrial Products (IIP), to proceed with the commercial development of the new baggage scanner.

The new joint venture will provide better product focus and a facility for funding a greatly expanded program. Effective on Aug. 1, IIP will contract with Imatron for services and facilities resulting in a major reduction in Imatron's research and development expenditures. Imatron continues to discuss financial participation by other companies in the development of new generations of Ultrafast Scanner products.

Imatron Inc. designs, manufactures and markets CT products for medical diagnostic imaging, industrial applications and airport security baggage screening. Imatron products include the electron-beam Ultrafast CT scanner, which captures high-speed images of the heart as well as radiological chest and body scans free of motion-induced artifacts.

The company also produces compact CT products that provide high throughput and continuous scanning capability in medical imaging and airport security explosives detection.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Tuesday announced that Premier Telecom Products Inc., an original equipment manufacturer of advanced telecommunications products, has signed a contract to sell US Sprint long distance services nationwide through their Premier dealer network.

''This contract will provide another source of revenue for Premier dealers as well as enhance and round out the services that they can offer to their customers,'' said Vahid Rezvani, vice president and general manager of Premier Telecom Products Inc. ''Now Premier dealers can provide equipment installation, maintenance --- long distance services.''

Owned by North Supply, a United Telecom company, Premier has 170 dealers across the country. US Sprint will provide the dealers with a program that will allow Premier customers the convenience and control of one-stop shopping for both equipment and long distance services.

Premier sales agents are value-added resellers of Premier telecommunications products and are located in major metropolitan areas.

As a single point of contact, the Premier agent already has developed a relationship with the person responsible for purchasing PBX equipment, from small businesses to Fortune 500 companies.

''The Premier Telecom Products organization exemplifies the kind of strategic partnerships we use to grow our business,'' said Craig Sanders, vice president and general manager, US Sprint Intermediaries Market Group. IMG was formed in 1989 to encourage and support third-party selling through exclusive contractual arrangements that authorize sales agents to act as independent contractors.

''The United Telecom family works together for value-added selling. US Sprint provides quality long distance service over its one-of-a-kind, all-digital, all-fiber-optic network,'' Sanders said. ''And Premier Telecom Products provides quality telecommunications equipment from the central office to the customer's premises.''

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City, Mo.

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LINCOLN, NE (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Terrano Corp. (NASDAQ:TRNO) announced that Humana Inc. has purchased an ILS-5 Laboratory Information System to be intalled at Humana Hospital - Lucerne in Orlando, Fla.

The contract includes the company's automated results reporting module and interfaces to laboratory instrumentation.

Terrano Corp. develops and markets integrated turn-key computer systems for radiology departments and clinical laboratories. The company is best known for the ILS-5 clinical laboratory system which is a comprehensive information management system for both hospital and private laboratories.

Terrano Corp. products are based on the IBM AS/400 Series of computer systems and Prime Computer Inc. 50 Series family of computer systems.

AS/400 is a registerred trademark of International Business Machines Inc.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - West Pride Industries Corp. (VcSE: WPI) Tuesday announced its acquisition of the 48-claim RATTLER Epithermal Gold Property, 12 miles northeast of Wickenburg, Ariz.

The 2,000 acre property is located in the Wickenburg Gold Mining District just south of the Congress Gold Mine and Norgold's Yarnell gold deposit. Mineralization consists of free gold associated with wide and strike persistent hematized and silisified fault systems. The target potential is for a large tonnage, heap leach gold system.

The Rattler Property was acquired from two separate property owners. Terms of the transaction provide that West Pride can earn 100 percent interest in the properties by paying a total of $101,000 (U.S.) over five years subject to a 2.5 percent N.S.R. and a five percent N.S.R., respectively. Each N.S.R. can be bought out for $700,000 (U.S.) less all cash payments made. West Pride is the project operator.

The Vancouver Stock Exchange has neither approved nor disapproved of the contents herein.

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CINCINNATI (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - CBIS Federal Inc. has been awarded a contract with an estimated value of $79.7 million to provide information resources management and automated data processing services to the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA).

CBIS Federal will help the FmHA integrate systems and applications between decentralized microcomputers and centralized mainframe platforms. The contract, which has a base period through Sept. 30, 1990, and four one-year renewal options, requires CBIS Federal to provide application and system software services, including systems analysis and design, program maintenance and documentation, and software for data communications/network and file management applications. The contract also calls for office automation and project management services.

The Farmers Home Administration is the credit agency for agricultural and rural development in the Department of Agriculture. Its nearly 11,000 employees serve rural America from 47 state offices, 267 district offices, and 1,936 county offices, as well as the national office in Washington,

D.C., and the finance office in St. Louis.

Three subcontractors have been proposed to participate in the contract with CBIS Federal. They are International Software Systems Inc. of Austin Texas; Viar & Co., of Alexandria, Va.; and KPMG Peat Marwick of Washington, D.C.

CBIS, a subsidiary of Cincinnati Bell Inc., provides information management solutions to telecommunications, financial, and government entities.

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DALLAS (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - To demonstrate that its EtherSwitch EPS-700 creates a parallel network environment that can improve Ethernet throughput 300 percent, Kalpana Inc. will use Novell Inc.'s LANalyzer network analyzer and LANtern network monitor in a real-time test environment at NetWorld Dallas, Sept. 10-13.

The EtherSwitch can interconnect seven different Ethernet segments to support concurrent Ethernet LAN conversations. A six-port EtherSwitch will be used in the NetWorld test.

One EtherSwitch port will be connected to a NetWare 386 file server. A second port will be attached to 386-based workstations running Novell's performance benchmark program and an SNMP (Simple Network Management Protocol) network console.

Two EtherSwitch ports will be connected to Novell LANalyzers that will load the network, and the remaining two ports will support LANalyzers to monitor traffic through the EtherSwitch.

Using Novell's network performance test, the 386-based workstations will be able to generate approximately five Mbits/sec of network traffic through the switch. The two LANalyzer traffic generators will each produce 9.7 Mbits/sec of network traffic.

Using Novell's LANtern, it will be shown that the EtherSwitch can support three simultaneous data conversations totalling 25 Mbits/sec of data traffic, or more.

The SNMP-based network console is capable of measuring overall Ethernet traffic by polling the LANtern monitoring devices attached to each segment. The LANtern network monitor gathers statistics to show overall

network capacity, such as per-station and per-conversation statistics.

The EtherSwitch EPS-700 can support from two to seven Ethernet Packet Processor module ports. Prices range from $4,995 for the 3/8wo-port version to $9,995 for the fully configured version.

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REDMOND, WA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft announced Tuesday a technical support service for end users of the OS/2 operating system.

The service, Microsoft OnCall for OS/2, is designed for individual and corporate users who need assistance in OS/2 installation, configuration and operation.

OEMs will continue to serve as the primary source of OS/2 support for their customers. OnCall for OS/2 offers supplemental assistance with all OEM releases of OS/2, starting with version 1.2. OnCall also offers assistance with installation and setup of the Microsoft OS/2 Presentation Manager Toolkit version 1.2.

The OnCall OS/2 program will begin operations Sept. 4, 1990. Service hours will be 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday except holidays. The OnCall for OS/2 telephone number is 900/896-9600. Customers will be charged at a rate of $2.00 per minute.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ:MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, CD ROM products and hardware for the microcomputer market place.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - John B. Landry, chairman and chief executive officer of Agility Systems Inc. of Wayland, Mass., has been appointed to the board of directors of IntelliCorp Inc. (NASDAQ:INAI)

a leader in knowledge systems development and delivery software.

Prior to co-founding Agility in 1989, Landry was executive vice president and a member of the board of directors of Cullinet Software Inc. where he was responsible for all development and product strategy. Before joining Cullinet, Landry helped form McCormack & Dodge where he was chief architect of the company's products and product strategy.

He currently serves on the board of directors of ADAPSO, the computer software and services trade association, serves on the board of directors of Language Technology Inc. and is a member of the board of trustees of the Masachusetts Computer Software Council. Agility Systems develops and markets innovative collaborative systems exploiting electronic networks.

''John's top-level experience with market leaders such as Cullinet and his distinguished history of leading software companies to prominent positions in the industry will provide IntelliCorp with additional, strong leadership, particularly in the area of product development and strategy '' said Thomas P. Kehler, chairman and chief executive officer.

IntelliCorp, develops, markets and supports industry-leading knowledge system products, software development tools and advanced engineering and manufacturing application solutions. The company's customers span all industries, including financial services, automotive, aerospace, telecommunications, chemical, government, energy, manufacturing and engineering.

IntelliCorp products are marketed through a combination of the company's direct sales force and its authorized dealers, resellers, OEMs and VARs. Headquartered in Mountain View, IntelliCorp has 225 employees and offices throughout the United States, as well as in Europe and Asia.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - DAVID Systems Tuesday announced the appointment of Richard (Rich) A. Froke to the position of director of Hardware Engineering for all DAVID products.

Froke joins DAVID from Samsung Information Systems where he was senior general manager and director of Engineering. Previously, he was director of engineering for Novell in San Jose, and prior to that assignment, he was with Sytek, now Hughes LAN Systems.

He has been working in the area of management of hardware and software

design for LAN products for the past five years, and brings over 18 years of hardware and software development experience to DAVID.

Froke holds a bachelor's of science in electrical engineering degree from San Jose State University and had extensive communication experience in the U.S. Navy.

Formed to enhance the role of integrated digital communication, DAVID Systems supplied its first Ethernet LAN products in 1985. As a technical leader in its field, DAVID holds six communications patents and is an active participant in the IEEE802.3 10BASE-T Consortium at the University of New Hampshire.

DAVID Systems products emphasize integrated solutions for LANs, voice and data which are easy to expand and adapt to changing customer needs.

The DAVID LAN product family includes the DAVID ExpressNet 10BASE-T Hub, Intelligent Concentrators (48 and 132 port), the DAVID ExpressView network management system, the recently announced VolksNet 10BASE-T Ethernet LAN for small network configurations, and the DAVID Ether-T Adapters for IBM personal computers and compatibles. DAVID Systems currently has over 100,000 ports of Ethernet installed worldwide.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Windows 3.0 users now can take advantage of the memory-management features of Turbo EMS software from Merrill & Bryan Enterprises Inc., thanks to a new agreement between the San Diego-based firm and Microsoft Corp.

By using Microsoft's new virtual device driver (VxD), which makes Turbo EMS compatible with Windows 3.0, personal computer users can load network drivers and other programs into high memory, giving them more room for non-Windows applications.

The VxD driver will be standard with Turbo EMS 5.0, the latest version of Merrill & Bryan's memory-management software package.

''This virtual device driver ensures a robust solution for users of Turbo EMS in the Windows 3.0 environment,'' said Rich Abel, Microsoft's group product manager for Windows. ''We are happy to be working with Merrill & Bryan to provide support for Windows 3.0 and Turbo EMS users.''

According to Al Merrill, executive vice president of sales, Merrill &

Bryan's enhancement of Turbo EMS for VxD bundling will allow Turbo EMS users to use the high DOS memory-loading capabilities of Turbo EMS and still run Windows in 386 enhanced mode.

''While slightly insulating Windows from some of the memory-manager software features, the VxD gives Turbo EMS a more structured interface so we don't have to reverse engineer the entire software program for each new Windows release,'' he said.

''The Turbo EMS update also will include an automatic install, mapping of multiple blocks of memory in the high DOS memory area, a best fit loading of TSRs and device drivers and compatibility with Microsoft's HIMEM.SYS driver,'' Merrill added.

''Turbo EMS 5.0 provides full EMS support for both 386- and non-386-based PCs, as well as the capability to relocate TSRs, device drivers and network shells on both 386 and non-386 systems,'' he said.

The complete program is offered on one diskette for $99.95.

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#90240b0068 08/28/1990 ~Business Wire
REDMOND, WA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. Tuesday announced that Microsoft Works, the best-selling integrated software package, has been selected by IBM Corp. for inclusion with every PS/1 Personal Computer.

Created specifically for the home market, this new IBM computer is now available nationwide.

''The response from consumers in the three-city test market has been phenomenal. Consumers value having Microsoft Works on the PS/1 because Works provides them with the tools that let them be productive immediately '' stated Susan Boeschen, general manager of the entry business unit at Microsoft. ''We've spent a lot of time training the IBM salesforce and IBM authorized Personal Computer Dealers about Works so that they can help purchasers come up to speed quickly.''

Version 2.0 of Microsoft Works offers capabilities that allow users to perform a variety of useful tasks, such as producing professional-quality letters and reports, easily creating a database of important names and phone numbers, analyzing household finances with the spreadsheet, or accessing online services such as CompuServe with the telecommunications module. Easy integration lets users insert a spreadsheet listing a household inventory into a letter, or paste stock price information from

Dow Jones News/Retrieval into a spreadsheet.

Complete built-in help and training is available at the touch of a single key. The program contains more that 300 Help screens and more that 50 built-in interactive lessons and demonstrations. In
Help) message on every screen reminds users that help is available with a single keystroke or the click of a mouse. The suggested retail price of Microsoft Works is $149.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ:MSFT) develops, markets, and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, hardware and CD ROM products for the microcomputer marketplace.

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#90240b0072 08/28/1990 ~Business Wire
NEWBURY PARK, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - HOH Water Technology Corp. (NASDAQ:HOHI/HOHIU/HOHIW) Tuesday announced that Kenneth L. Barnes Jr. has been named director of its Commercial/Residential Marketing Division.

Barnes will oversee the recruitment and training of the company's residential/commercial marketing program for its High Purity and patented Electropure line of water purification products.

Barnes continues as a co-owner of a San Diego-based water treatment distributor, where he has spent the last 12 years, consistently ranking in the top 10 percentiles for nationwide distributor sales and personal sales achievements.

Barnes has created some of the most successful marketing programs ever used in the home water treatment industry for such products as ion-exchange, reverse osmosis and filtration water system. Nationwide, over 80 distributors have had sales volumes exceeding $50 million by employing one of Barnes' marketing approaches.

Under his personal management, several distributors have enjoyed steady sales volume increases from 40 to 60 percent.

On Aug. 8, HOH announced the delivery of the first 300 units of its High Purity water system to Health Distillers International Inc. of Puerto Rico

a distributor of water treatment systems with whom HOH is currently negotiating and agreement for certain exclusive marketing territories. HOH has begun accepting additional orders for the High Purity system, as well as its less costly standard reverse osmosis system.

Barnes has a degree in Political Science, with a minor in Business and Marketing, from Mesa College in Grand Junction, Colo. He is the recipient of many prestigious sales and dealer awards and has been involved in industry-related advertising and trade show programs. He has conducted seminars on marketing and sales and has been a featured speaker at numerous national and regional water industry conventions.

Barnes currently resides in San Diego with his wife and family.

HOH Water Technology is engaged in the development and supply of a breakthrough line of water filtration and treatment systems for residential, commercial and industrial water treatment.

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REDMOND, WA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Tuesday announced that it has worked with vendors of 386 memory enhancement products to provide a robust software interface for their products running in the 386-Enhanced Mode of the Microsoft Windows graphical environment version 3.0.

The new software interface is contained in a virtual device driver (VxD) which Microsoft is providing to the vendors. The VxD enables these vendors to create Microsoft Windows-compatible versions of their products, many of which enable users to move DOS(a) device drivers out of conventional memory, freeing memory for DOS applications.

''We're pleased to work with these vendors so they can deliver solutions to Windows version 3.0 users who need more available memory to run their DOS applications,'' said Brad Silverberg, vice president of MS-DOS and Windows at Microsoft. ''It is important that the driver work with future versions of the Windows graphical environment, and we appreciate these companies' openness to implementing this solution.''

Ten vendors have expressed an interest in the virtual device driver including:

-- All Computers Inc.
-- DeltaByte
-- Merrill and Bryan

-- Nu-Mega Technologies
-- Quadtel Corp.
-- Qualitas Inc.
-- Quarterdeck
-- RIBS Electronics Inc.
-- Software Link
-- SoftNet Communications Inc.

The virtual device driver is available to vendors of 386-enhancement products now, free of charge, from Microsoft.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ:MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems networking products, languages and application programs, as well as books hardware and CD ROM products for the microcomputer marketplace.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Businessland Inc. (NYSE:BLI) Tuesday announced that the personal computer service joint venture subsidiary of Businessland Canada Ltd. has been awarded a major, multi-million dollar contract with the Canadian postal service.

The contract is to support and maintain personal computer systems nationwide and provide end user training. Valued at more than $8 million (Canadian), the five year contract is the largest signed by PC ServicePartners Inc., the six-month old Canadian Businessland joint venture subsidiary.

Under the terms of the agreement, PC ServicePartners will be responsible for the service and maintenance of all hardware and software for Canada Post Corp.'s national network of personal computers. In addition, the Businessland joint venture subsidiary will provide personal computer training to Canada Post employees.

''The Canada Post contract represents a tremendous win for Businessland Canada and PC ServicePartners,'' said Bob Henderson, vice president and general manager of Businessland Canada Ltd. ''It's a signal to Canadian companies and other government organizations that Businessland is the right partner for PC service and support.''

Businessland Canada Ltd. is a majority shareholder of PC ServicePartners, which was founded earlier this year. Previously, the company was GE Computer Services Canada, a division of General Electric Canada Inc.

Founded in 1982, Businessland Inc. is an international leader in the distribution, integration and support of microcomputer and workstation systems for business. The company integrates products from selected manufacturers to create systems tailored to specific customer needs and provides the high level service and support to maximize their productivity.

Businessland operates centers and branch offices in 50 major U.S. metropolitan areas, five metropolitan markets in Great Britain, two in West Germany, five in Canada and one in Japan. Businessland reported sales of $1.4 billion in fiscal 1990.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Gap Inc. (NYSE/PSE:GPS) said its board of directors Tuesday approved a two-for-one split of its common stock for stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 17.

The board also declared a 32 percent increase in the quarterly cash dividend payable to stockholders of record on Sept. 7

The stock split will be in the form of a 100 percent stock dividend to be distributed on Oct. 22. The quarterly cash dividend on common stock will be paid on Sept. 17 and will rise, on a pre-split basis, to 25 cents per share from 19 cents per share.

After the stock split, The Gap will have outstanding approximately 71 million shares of common stock. The Gap last split its common stock, also on a two-for-one basis, in June 1986.

Donald G. Fisher, chairman and chief executive officer, stated that, ''Today's actions reflect the Company's strong financial performance, as well as the Board's confidence in the Company's long term growth.''

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Foothill Group Inc. (NYSE:FGI)

(the ''company'') Tuesday announced that on August 24, 1990, the jury rendered a verdict in a previously disclosed Foothill Thrift and Loan lawsuit.

Foothill Thrift was sued by a group of plaintiffs and a group of cross-complainants. Damages of $25 million were sought against Foothill Thrift by each of these groups. The jury rendered a verdict awarding no damages to one group and $564,000 to the other group.

Foothill Thrift has a claim against the plaintiffs for certain of its attorneys fees and costs incurred in defense of this action. The company believes the trial judge will award Foothill Thrift recovery of costs that will more than offset the $564,000 awarded.

As a result of the verdict in this suit, there are no pending lawsuits of claims against the company which the company's management believes could materially affect the consolidated financial position or consolidated results of operations of the company.

The Foothill Group specializes in providing innovative financial services through its three highly specialized, yet complementary operating units. Foothill Capital offers asset-based financing tailored to businesses whose credit needs require more unique, sophisticated types of loan programs.

Foothill Thrift specializes in fully secured commercial and industrial loans. The Capital Markets Division focuses on asset management activities, arbitrage trading and investing in companies in reorganization.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Donald J. Massaro has been named chairman of SF2 Corp., a developer of high-performance fault-tolerant intelligent storage systems, it was announced Tuesday.

Massaro, a 20-year veteran of the data processing industry, has been chairman and chief executive officer of Metaphor Computer Systems Inc., a producer of desktop decision support systems which he co-founded in 1982. He will continue as its chairman.

Massaro was a co-founder of Shugart Associates, a floppy disk drive pioneer, in 1973 and subsequently president of Xerox Corp.'s Office Products Division, which acquired Shugart in 1977. He began his career as a disk drive engineer at IBM Corp., and later was director of high-performance drive engineering at Memorex.

''SF2 is a classic example of technology innovation meeting market opportunity,'' Massaro said. ''I consider it the most exciting systems opportunity in the computer industry today.''

SF2 President Robert S. Koontz, in making the announcement, said: ''Don has a blend of chief executive experience and success in the data storage industry and in the development of new companies. With SF2's technology now in place, he will focus initially on sales and marketing areas. We are delighted to have him lead our management team.''

The SF2 intelligent storage system is based on an advanced technology called RAID, or redundant arrays of independent disks. Originally defined by computer scientists at UC Berkeley, RAID was designed to improve the performance and data availability of storage systems for mid-range and large-scale computers and networks.

SF2 has extended the RAID concept to create a high-speed parallel processing disk array system, ideally suited for on-line transaction processing, commercial data processing and database-driven applications. The company last month shipped the first advanced RAID Level 5 storage system in the industry.

SF2 Corp. headquarters is located at 140 Kifer Court, Sunnyvale, CA 94086, 408/730-1664; fax: 408/730-2161.

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CULVER CITY, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - MGM Grand Inc. (NYSE:MGG) Tuesday announced that it has retained the international investment banking firm of Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. as its exclusive agent to sell the Desert Inn Hotel and Casino located in Las Vegas.

MGM Grand Chairman Fred Benninger stated: ''The Desert Inn is the finest property in Las Vegas and deserves to be in the hands of an owner who will realize its maximum potential. We now have our hands full focusing on the development of our Las Vegas theme park and adjacent 5,000-room hotel, which will be the world's largest and we just don't have the time to also bring the Desert Inn to full flower.''

The sale will include the casino and 821-room hotel as well as an 18-hole

P.G.A. championship golf course with a site that could be developed into a large number of luxury condominiums. In addition, the property includes 34 acres located on the Las Vegas strip with working drawings for a new 2,000-room hotel and casino.

The Desert Inn holds a Four Diamond rating, offers some of the largest and most luxurious suites in Las Vegas and a complete first-class health spa.

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(for Bear, Stearns & Co.).

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BARTLESVILLE, OK (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Phillips Petroleum Company announced Tuesday that it has further lowered its wholesale gasoline prices.

Effective Tuesday Phillips is lowering its average wholesale gasoline price by 5 cents a gallon. Phillips lowered its wholesale gasoline price in response to conditions in the petroleum markets, and as part of the company's continuing efforts to show pricing moderation during the Middle East crisis.

Phillips lower average wholesale price, in some cases, may not be immediately reflected at the gasoline pump because price increases at the retail level have not kept up with wholesale gasoline price levels on a daily basis.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Federal Express Corp.'s $350-million medium-term notes, series A, are rated triple-'B'-plus by S&P. The notes are a final drawdown of an August 1989, $600-million Rule 415 shelf filing.

An 'E-3' event risk covenant ranking is assigned to the medium-term notes.

In addition, the company's triple-'B'-plus senior debt and industrial revenue bond ratings outstanding on $800 million of debt and its 'A-2'

commercial paper rating are affirmed.

Through its integrated air-ground transportation system, Federal Express provides express delivery of small packages and documents throughout the United States and Canada, Europe and parts of Asia. In addition, the company also transports heavyweight air cargo shipments worldwide.

Federal Express' ratings are supported by its extremely strong competitive position in the domestic air-freight industry, moderating international losses and slowing capital-expenditure levels.

Nevertheless, any near-term rebound in key credit measures will likely be limited by continued international losses, its heavy interest and aircraft operating lease burden and a possible resurgence of competitive pricing pressures in the domestic market.

For fiscal 1990, the company posted $115.8 million of income before accounting adjustments on just over $7 billion of revenues, compared with $166.5 million on $5.2 billion in the prior year.

Should the company's international losses worsen or should the level of capital expenditures increase significantly, then the ratings could be jeopardized, S&P said.

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AKRON, OH (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - For the second day in a row, Ohio Edison Co. (NYSE:OEC) reached its highest customer demand ever for electricity.

Edison customers set a new system record peak demand of 5,394 megawatts (MW) at 5 p.m. Tuesday, surpassing Monday's peak customer demand of 5,209 MW, also set at 5 p.m. Yesterday's record peak demand was broken every hour today, from 2 p.m to 5 p.m.

Prior to yesterday, Ohio Edison's record peak customer demand for electricity was 5,152 MW, set on July 24, 1989. This marks the fifth consecutive year customers have set a new peak demand for electricity. Since 1985, Ohio Edison's peak customer demand has increased about 32 percent, or 1,310 MW.

Ohio Edison attributes the record demand for electricity to today's high heat and humidity, the high use of air-conditioning and a growing customer base.

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DUBLIN, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Lucky Stores Inc. Tuesday announced that any of its employees who are called to active duty, to serve in support of U.S. forces in the Mideast crisis Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia or the Persian Gulf, will be retained in active status with the company for up to six months, to protect the employees wages and benefits not covered by their military service.

With the concurrence of the appropriate labor unions, for all represented employees, the company will pay the difference between military pay and benefits, based on an employee's wage experience for the prior six months of service with the company.

Lawrence A. Del Santo, chairman and chief executive officer of Lucky, said: ''We do not believe that any of our employees who are called to active duty, or their families, should suffer an economic hardship while serving their nation.

''In the event that the present crisis should extend beyond six months, and the President's authority to keep forces in the Mideast is renewed by Congress, we are prepared to revisit the problem at that time. However, we believe there is an immediate need to provide our employees and their loved ones with assurances that they will have our support now and be protected into the future.

''We encourage all others in the business community to join with Lucky in assuring employees who are called to serve that we, their employers, support them during this difficult period.''

Lucky Stores Inc. is California's largest food retailer, operating 397 stores in California and southern Nevada. Lucky has 34,000 employees.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Talley Industries Inc. (NYSE:TAL) Tuesday announced that the decision by General Motors Corp. to significantly increase the number of its U.S.-built cars equipped with air bags will have a major impact on Talley's receipt of air bag royalties.

The sale of Talley's air bag business to TRW Inc. in April 1989, resulted in a 12-year agreement that provides Talley with a royalty for every air bag sold in North America by any manufacturer, plus a royalty for every air bag sold worldwide by TRW.

''Our original projections indictated that the company could realize $190 million or more in royalties over the life of this contract,'' stated William H. Mallender, chairman. ''Consumer and automotive manufacturer acceptance of automotive air bags has developed faster than we anticipated. It is possible that this accelerated market demand will generate an additional $50 million to $75 million of royalties during the remaining 10-1/2 years of the royalty agreement.''

''Talley worked with General Motors in the initial air bag development program during the early 1970s. After years of involvement in the developmental stage, it is very gratifying to finally see that this important safety feature is becoming widely available to automotive customers,'' Mallender said.

''The effectiveness of air bags has been proven in crash situations with a demonstrated reduction in deaths and injuries,'' Mallender concluded.

Talley Industries is a diversified designer, manufacturer and supplier of aerospace, industrial and commercial products and services, including high-reliability electronic components and stainless steel rod and bar products.

Talley also invests in and develops real estate, primarily in the Phoenix area, and operates a federally chartered savings bank as an autonomous, wholly owned subsidiary, which specializes in serving the Asian population in the greater Los Angeles area.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Richard M. Drysdale, chairman of the board of Bishop Inc. (NASDAQ:BISH), announced Tuesday that James R. Schwartz had been elected president and chief executive officer of Bishop.

Drysdale stated that Schwartz, who for several months has been a consultant to the company, ''brings a strong background of business operation management to Bishop.'' Schwartz has previously served as president of Terminal Data Corp. and as a senior executive with Varian Associates.

Schwartz is a graduate of Stanford University and holds a master's degree in electrical engineering from San Jose State University. His business education was obtained at Santa Clara University and UCLA.

Schwartz succeeds John J. Theiss, who has resigned to pursue other business endeavors.

Bishop, founded in 1965, with headquarters near Los Angeles in Agoura Hills, Calif., supplies a complete line of design products and services through its manufacturing, marketing, and distribution operations. The company serves the engineering, architectural, and drafting markets in the United States and in 72 countries throughout the world.

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TALLAHASSEE, FL (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - MHI Group Inc. (NYSE:MH) today announced results for the fiscal 1991 first quarter ended July 31, 1990.

For the three months ended July 31, 1990, revenues were $2,982,000 compared with $2,685,000 for the comparable period last year. Net income for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was $228,000 or 2 cents per share as compared to $227,000 or 2 cents in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Weighted average shares outstanding for the first three months of fiscal 1991 and fiscal 1990 were 15,151,239 and 12,753,796, respectively.

Fred O. Drake Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, commented, ''We are very pleased with MHI's revenue growth during the first quarter of our 1991 fiscal year. The two funeral homes and the cemetery that were acquired in April 1990 are showing progress, but to date have not had the impact we expect on the revenues and profits of the company. We expect these acquisitions to positively effect revenues and earnings during the second quarter. Revenue growth is also anticipated from the increase in pre-need sales associated with MHI's newly acquired cemetery in Okaloosa County.''

Drake continued, ''In addition, the company's trust funds under management have grown by nearly $700,000 during the quarter to approximately $22,200,000 at July 31, 1990, which bolsters future investment income. All of these events will continue to improve the company's performance in the remainder of the year.''

MHI Group Inc. markets and sells pre-need and at-need funeral and cemetery

services, including pre-arranged insurance.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - URS Corp. (NYSE:URS) announced Tuesday commencement of an offering to qualified shareholders of nontransferable rights to purchase an aggregate of approximately 800,000 common shares at a price of $4.774 per share.

The rights will be exercisable until 5 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on Sept. 27th.

URS agreed to make the rights offering in connection with a capital restructuring of the company that was otherwise completed on Feb. 21. The cost of the rights offering is being borne by URS to offer qualified shareholders the opportunity to increase their equity in the company, which was diluted by new shares and warrants issued as part of the capital restructuring. The company will receive no proceeds from the offering and URS management is not participating in it.

Each qualified shareholder will receive the right to purchase the same proportion of the approximately 800,000 common shares as the number of common shares held by each shareholder on the record date -- the close of business on Aug. 17 -- subject to downward adjustment to avoid issuance of rights to purchase fractional shares.

Proceeds will be used to repay outstanding indebtedness to certain entities managed or advised by Richard C. Blum & Associates Inc. Neither Richard C. Blum nor those entities managed or advised by RCBA Inc. -- nor Wells Fargo Bank, with respect to the shares it acquired from the company on Feb. 21 -- are qualified to participate in the rights offering.

Any shares not purchased by other shareholders will be purchased for cash or cancellation of indebtedness by entities managed or advised by RCBA Inc.

URS Corp., through its subsidiary URS Consultants Inc., is a multi-disciplinary engineering, architectural, planning and consulting firm. It provides a diverse range of professional services to governmental, industrial, educational and health care clients to solve hazardous material, environmental, transportation and water treatment problems.

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SAN DIEGO, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Telios Pharmaceuticals Inc. Tuesday announced it has formed a long-term partnership with Ono Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd. of Osaka, Japan, to develop therapeutic products.

Backed by a significant equity investment from Ono, the agreement also includes several million dollars to develop drugs that block the abnormal tissue scarring involved in kidney inflammations, pulmonary fibrosis, liver cirrhosis and other fibrotic disorders. Financial details were not disclosed.

Under the agreement, Ono will fund Telios' research, development and clinical testing of drugs that inhibit a naturally occurring protein known as Transforming Growth Factor-Beta (TGF-b) in exchange for exclusive rights to manufacture and market the drugs in Japan, Taiwan and South Korea.

Telios will conduct clinical testing, and retain manufacturing and marketing rights in the United States and other territories.

Telios is also obligated to provide Ono the first choice of accepting or declining license rights, in the same countries, to all other human therapeutic products developed by Telios -- excluding blood-clot inhibitor drugs and Telio-Derm, a product designed to speed the healing of chronic wounds.

The partnership follows a previously announced, multimillion dollar agreement between the two firms aimed at developing the first product to treat ''dry eye,'' whereby inadequate production of tears results in damage to the cornea.

The agreement comes in the wake of a major discovery by scientists at the La Jolla Cancer Research Foundation and at the University of Utah School of Medicine showing that kidney disease scarring, the leading cause of chronic kidney failure, can be blocked by neutralizing the activity of TGF-b. Telios holds the rights to the findings, which were published in the July 26th issue of the British journal Nature.

Previous studies have shown that TGF-b helps to regulate the formation of the normal fibrous meshwork surrounding cells of the kidney and other body organs.

In diseases such as diabetes that result in chronic kidney failure, abnormal accummulation of this extracellular matrix is the basis of fibrotic scar tissue found in the kidney's filtration units which remove waste products and excess fluid from the body.

In the July study, conducted in rats, scientists found that kidney inflammations are tied to the increased production of TGF-b and the abnormal accumulation of fibrotic tissue. Researchers were then able to inactivate the growth factor's effects and prevent additional scar tissue from forming.

Based on these findings, Telios has already developed prototype drugs that inhibit TGF-b for treating tissue fibrosis in kidney diseases (glomerulonephritis), pulmonary fibrosis, liver cirrhosis and other fibrotic disorders. Telios estimates that the market for these applications of its TGF-beta inhibitors is in excess of $1 billion for the United States alone.

Founded in 1987, Telios Pharmaceuticals is developing therapeutic products based on the company's proprietary ''matrix-peptide'' technology in the areas of wound healing, biocompatible implants and cardiovascular disease.

Formed in 1717, Ono Pharmacetuical is one of Japan's oldest pharmaceutical companies, and is ranked as the third-fastest growing pharmaceutical manufacturer in that country.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Foothill Group Inc. (NYSE:FGI) board of directors Tuesday declared a regular 7 cent quarterly cash dividend on its Class A common stock.

The dividend is payable on Oct. 19, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 21, 1990.

The Foothill Group specializes in providing innovative financial services through its three highly specialized, yet complementary, operating units.

Foothill Capital offers asset-based financing tailored to businesses whose credit needs require more unique, sophisticated types of loan programs.

Foothill Thrift specializes in secured commercial and industrial loans.

The Capital Markets division focuses on asset-management activities, arbitrage trading and investing in companies in reorganization.

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FREMONT, Calif. (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Lam Research Corp. (NASDAQ:LRCX) reported Tuesday a net loss of $8.8 million, or 77 cents per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, reflecting a previously announced special pre-tax charge of $18 million for the restructuring of its Gemini epitaxy operations.

A year ago the company reported net income of $9.3 million, or 84 cents per share.

Revenues for fiscal 1990 increased by 9 percent to $137.3 from $126 million a year earlier.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, the company reported a net loss of $14.6 million, or $1.29 per share, compared with net income of $2.6 million, or 24 cents per share, for the like quarter last year. Revenues for the quarter decreased to $29.2 million, compared with $34.2 million in the like period of the previous year.

According to Roger Emerick, chairman and chief executive officer, ''Responding to the sharp decline in the epitaxy market, our strategic decision to phase-out production of the unprofitable Gemini epi systems will enhance our financial position going forward and allow us to focus our resources on our flagship etch products, as well as emerging opportunities in the chemical vapor deposition area.''

The company will continue to take orders for the Gemini systems during the phase-out and has booked $2.4 million in epitaxy orders during the past month.

Emerick further noted, ''We're committed to supporting our customers' near term epi sytems requirements, as well as providing superior on-going service and support to our large installed base of over 250 Gemini reactors.''

Commenting on fiscal 1990, Emerick said, ''We've managed through a complex year and have made some real accomplishments through our strategic alliances and the introduction of enhancements to our Rainbow etch products. Although we're seeing increased demand for those products both domestically and internationally, we remain cautiously optimistic about

our near-term prospects in light of the U.S. economic uncertainty.''

Lam Research Corp. is a leading supplier of wafer processing equipment for the worldwide semiconductor industry. The company's broad product offerings are focused on etch and deposition technologies, two of the most vital areas in the fabrication of current and future integrated circuits. Headquartered in Fremont, Calif., Lam maintains customer support centers strategically located throughout the United States, Europe and the Pacific Rim to support its global customer base. The company was founded in 1980.

Lam Research Corp.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands except per share data)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Fiscal Year Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$29,192	$34,243	$137,260	$126,048
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of goods sold	15,251	17,884	74,749	68,596
Research and development	7,016	6,134	26,573	21,852
Selling, general and administrative	7,287	7,896	29,874	26,827
Special charge	17,986	--	17,986	--
Operating income (loss)	(18,348)	2,329	(11,922)	8,773
Other income net of other expense	836	1,153	2,706	3,701
Income (loss) before income taxes (benefit)	(17,512)	3,482	(9,216)	12,474
Income taxes (benefit)	(2,917)	837	(431)	3,172
Net income (loss)	($14,595)	$2,645	($8,785)	$9,302
Net income (loss) per share	($1.29)	24 cents	(77 cents)	(84 cents)
Number of shares used in per share calculations	11,350	11,200	11,350	11,134

Lam Research Corp. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(In thousands)

	June 30 1990	June 30 1989
Assets		
Cash and short-term investments	$ 15,630	$ 14,579
Accounts receivable, net	28,314	31,884
Inventories	36,747	30,610
Other current assets	6,802	2,441
Total current assets	87,493	79,514
Equipment/leasehold improvements, net	16,378	12,901
Other assets	2,309	3,489
Total assets	$ 106,180	$ 95,904

Liabilities and shareholders' equity		
Total current liabilities	$ 35,648	$ 26,407
Long-term debt	16,097	12,396
Shareholders' equity	54,435	57,101
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	$ 106,180	$ 95,904

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MARLBORO, MA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Stratus Computer Inc. Tuesday announced that the Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication, S.W.I.F.T., has chosen fault-tolerant Stratus XA2000 Continuous Processing Systems as the basis of a new electronic file transfer service being offered to financial institutions worldwide.

S.W.I.F.T., which operates the world's largest financial telecommunications network, has placed an initial $2.3 million order for XA2000 Series 200 computers through Stratus Computer S.A., the company's Belgian subsidiary. The order marks a significant milestone in S.W.I.F.T's drive toward implementing its Interbank File Transfer (IFT) service, which will provide subscribers with a timely and secure way to transmit large volumes of information which previously had to travel by mail, fax, or telex.

The new service will focus on the transmission of general business data between financial institutions, such as accounting information, credit requests, and risk management information.

Brussels-based S.W.I.F.T. was originally established by its member banks to transmit payment messages across borders. By using Stratus systems as dedicated message-processing servers in its existing network, S.W.I.F.T. will enable financial institutions to automate the flow of general business information in addition to payment-related messages.

The potential user base for IFT includes major banks, securities firms, and other institutions who already use the S.W.I.F.T. network to exchange financial messages -- more than 2,900 users in 73 countries. Plans call for the initial IFT service to become available to users around end-1991.

Marben, a Paris-based software company specializing in Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) products, is providing the X.400 message handling software.

S.W.I.F.T. provides automated international processing and transmission services to financial institutions. The service is based on standardized

message formats representing a broad variety of transactions. The computerized telecommunications network processes an average of 1.2 million messages daily between more than 2,900 users in 73 countries. Initially restricted to banks, the service was opened to non-bank institutions in 1987.

S.W.I.F.T. messages, which cover the full range of banking transactions including funds tranfers, foreign exchange, securities, and documentary credits, can be delivered on the system worldwide at a fraction of the cost of other media. The security of the information transmitted is guaranteed by a multilevel combination of physical, technical, and procedural features.

Stratus Computer Inc. is a leading supplier of fault-tolerant systems for critical online applications, such as online transaction processing and online data communications and telecommunications applications. The company offers the broadest range of fault-tolerant systems and maintains the highest standard for computer reliability.

One of the fastest-growing companies in the industry, Stratus reported revenues of $341.3 million for fiscal year 1989, up 29 percent from $265.3 million in 1988. The company, whose headquarters are in Marlboro, Mass., U.S.A., has 11 international subsidiaries. Stratus Computer Inc. Common Stock is traded via the New York Stock Exchange and the Boston Stock Exchange under the trading symbol SRA.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Heritage Entertainment Inc. (ASE:HHH, ''herein Heritage''), Tuesday announced its results from operations for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990, would be a loss of $4,011,000, or 56 cents per share, on total operating revenues of $25,155,000.

In fiscal 1989, the company reported a loss of $5,265,000, or 99 cents.

Revenues for fiscal 1990 included $21,150,000, for the nine months of operations of the Landmark and Seven Gables theater chains, which were acquired by the company on June 29, 1989.

Arthur ''Skip'' Steloff, president and chairman of Heritage, announced,

''The company attributed the loss primarily to an extremely competitive world market for independent production/distribution, as well as a significant increase in interest costs due to the acquisition of the Theater Group, re-evaluation of certain film inventory and a write-off of some doubtful accounts.''

Steloff further stated, ''As previously reported, the company is proceeding with discussions with various parties regarding a capital infusion for the growth of the company.''

Heritage Entertainment Inc.
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(Audited)
For the fiscal year ended
March 31,

	1990	1989
Revenues from operations	$25,155,000	$ 5,990,000
Operating income (loss)	$(5,103,000)	$(3,953,000)
Provision for loss on class-action suit	--	$(2,000,000)
Income tax benefit	1,092,000	688,000
Net income (loss)	$(4,011,000)	$(5,265,000)
Per share data:/a		
Net loss from operations	(56 cents)	(99 cents)
Weighted average of common and common share equivalents outstanding	7,200,600	5,341,000

(a) Fully diluted

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PALO ALTO, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Co. Tuesday announced it has signed a $25 million contract to provide a network of more than 2,300 HP workstations and related peripheral products to US WEST for use by telephone customer-service representatives. US WEST, a $25 billion regional Bell Telephone operating company serving 14 western states, plans to use the HP products to help its telephone-service representatives provide information to customers about billing and new or existing phone services.

The HP workstation network is part of US WEST's implementation of its Distributed Technology Platform, a long-range plan designed to distribute computing power from mainframes to desktop systems.

Under terms of the agreement, HP will supply US WEST with its products as part of the $25 million first phase of the three-year contract. The majority of the first-phase products will be HP 9000 Series 300 and 400 workstations and servers. Both models are based on the Motorola 68030 architecture and run the HP-UX operating system, which is based on and fully complies with AT&T's UNIX system.

''HP was able to provide a solution to our needs,'' said Fred Ledbetter, director of Information Technologies Planning and Development for US WEST's Home and Personal Services Division. ''HP's commitment to open computing enables us to continue using our existing computer systems effectively without sacrificing our investment.

''US WEST's first implementation of its Distributed Technology Platform is its C-LINK application. This application will use HP's advanced X client/server technology in conjunction with the HP workstations to provide a consistent user interface to customer- service representatives in regional customer-contact centers,'' said Ledbetter.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support.

The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

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SANTA BARBARA, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Computer Communications (ACC) Tuesday announced it has dropped the prices of its ACS Series 4000 products by 25 percent, strengthening the company's competitive position of offering the lowest-priced bridge/routers currently available.

''ACC has recently implemented a number of manufacturing efficiencies which allow us to pass cost savings on to our customers,'' stated Gary Krall, ACC's director of marketing. ''We haven't compromised quality. We're selling the same product with a full set of standard features that

other companies sell as extras.''

According to Krall, ACC's reseller network is prepared to ship products within 14 days from the customer's order.

Previously listing for $7,500, the ACS 4100 hardware platform, now priced at $5,500, comes bundled with multiprotocol bridge/router software that lets users configure the unit as a bridge only, multiprotocol router, or combined bridge/router. ACC has also lowered the prices of its expandable ACS 4400 chassis, which supports the same multiprotocol bridge/router software as the ACS 4100.

ACS 4400 prices have been reduced as follows:

ACS 4400 (2 WAN and 1 LAN port) from $8,500 to $6,500;

ACS 4400 (4 WAN and 2 LAN ports) from $12,500 to $10,500;

ACS 4400 (6 WAN and 3 LAN ports) from $16,500 to $14,500;

ACS 4400 (8 WAN and 4 LAN ports) from $20,500 to $18,500.

When configured as a bridge/router, the ACS 4100 or ACS 4400 routes TCP/IP and DECnet protocols, and bridges all others. According to Krall, the company will be announcing the addition of new routing protocols at the upcoming Interop '90 trade show in San Jose, Calif., Oct. 8-12.

All Series 4000 products support industry standards such as 802.1 Spanning Tree Protocol, the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP), 802.3 standard Ethernet (10Base5), 802.3 Thinwire Ethernet (10Base2), Unshielded Twisted Pair (10Base-T).

Since its incorporation in 1975, ACC has been developing and manufacturing data communications hardware and software products that focus on customer needs. Its internetworking products were introduced in 1988. Since that time, ACC has become a market leader in the remote bridge/router and network management arena.

Worldwide, ACC products are connecting local and wide-area networks in government and commercial industries.

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ROSEMONT, IL (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Comdisco Inc. (NYSE/M:CDO), the

world's largest independent lessor and remarketer of high-technology equipment, Tuesday announced that Joseph A. Kafka, a senior vice president of marketing for Comdisco in the United States, has been promoted to senior vice president of Comdisco Europe, replacing Michael Joseph, who has left the company to pursue personal interests.

Kafka began with Comdisco in 1983, most recently serving as a senior vice president of marketing in the company's midwestern U.S. sales region. In his new capacity, Kafka will oversee the entire sales, marketing, operations and administrative functions for Comdisco's European division.

''After thirteen years with Comdisco in Europe, watching the division grow from one person to over two hundred, the mutual decision to separate was not an easy one,'' Joseph said.

''We are very sorry to see Mr. Joseph depart from the company,'' said Kenneth N. Pontikes, chairman of the board and president. ''He was our first employee in Europe, and throughout his years of service he has made many valuable contributions to our growth in the European marketplace.

''However, I am confident that Mr. Kafka will continue to facilitate the exceptional growth Comdisco has experienced in Europe in recent years. His breadth of experience in our U.S. markets and his keen understanding of high-tech leasing and remarketing make him the ideal person to manage the challenges we have set for ourselves in Europe,'' Pontikes said.

As evidence of its increased commitment to the European market, Comdisco announced that in recent months it has entered into agreements for additional European capital resources totalling in excess of $400 million (U.S. dollars).

The company said that it plans to continue to strengthen and enhance its primary European business centers in the United Kingdom, France, Germany, and the Netherlands, as well as its other European locations. In addition it plans to begin actively pursuing additional high-tech markets in Europe, parallelling the company's successes in the United States.

Separately, Comdisco also announced that it plans to open a new regional sales headquarters in Munich, Germany, in October of this year. ''We anticipate that our opportunities in Germany will continue to grow,'' Pontikes said. ''The opening of our new facility in Munich, as well as the hiring of additional sales personnel, will allow us to capitalize on these opportunities as they arise.''

In addition, Comdisco announced that by the end of 1990 it plans to relocate its United Kingdom headquarters into a new, larger facility due to its continued growth in that area. The facility's site has yet to be determined, but it will likely be somewhere in or near London. Comdisco's

current United Kingdom headquarters is located in Cippenham, just outside of London.

Comdisco is primarily engaged in the buying, selling and leasing of new and used computer, telecommunications and other high-technology equipment. It also arranges related financings. The company, through a wholly owned subsidiary, also provides disaster recovery services to computer users in Europe, the United States and the Pacific Rim.

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WALTHAM, MA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Reece Corp. (NYSE:RCE) Tuesday reported that its board of directors voted to omit the third quarter dividend of $0.05 per common share.

Peter J. Abate, president and chief executive officer, said, ''The board of directors decided to omit the third quarter 1990 dividend given the second quarter 1990 operating results -- a net loss of $2,915,000 or $1.15 per share.''

The Reece Corp. manufactures and distributes specialized machinery for the worldwide apparel industry.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - In-Store Advertising, Inc. (NASDAQ:ISAN) Tuesday reported second quarter and six-month results for the period ended June 30, 1990.

For the second quarter of 1990, advertising revenues reached $5,274,400, a more than five-fold increase over the $994,051 reported for the second quarter of 1989. Income from operations was $863,725 in the 1990 second quarter versus an operating loss of $971,109 in the same period of 1989. The net loss for the second quarter of 1990 declined to $449,099 or $0.07 per share, compared to a net loss of $1,273,382 or $0.20 per share in the same period of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, advertising revenues increased to $10,417,600, more than six times ahead of the $1,591,300 reported for the same period of 1989. Income from operations reached $1,927,714 for the first six months of 1990, compared to an operating loss of $1,734,082 in the same period of 1989. The net loss for the 1990 first half declined to $356,511 or $0.06 per share compared to a net loss of $2,258,902 or $0.35 per share for the first half of 1989.

The substantial increase in revenues for both periods reflects the expansion in the number of stores in which the Company's signs are installed from 741 at June 30, 1989 to 2,662 at June 30, 1990, and an increase in the number of product categories participating in the Company's program from 48 during the six months ended June 30, 1989, to 56 during the six months ended June 30, 1990.

Commenting on the results, Robert Polansky, President and Chief Executive Officer, said: ''Our achievements in the first half of the year represent significant progress towards our growth objective of reaching national advertiser status, which we believe is attainable at the penetration level of 8,400 stores. We are on schedule with our rollout into additional stores and are under contract to reach 3,600 stores by the end of 1990, and 6,000 stores by the end of 1991. Despite these achievements, the Company appears to be facing a slowdown in advertisers' commitments for the second half of 1990. Among the factors contributing to this slowdown are 1) delays in both the delivery to, and evaluation by, certain customers of product movement research that is expected to result in their participation in 1991 rather than the second half of 1990; 2) a general softening in the advertising market resulting in a lower level of funding for the Company's programs; and 3) an unexpected reticence on the part of some prospective customers to participate in the Company's program until more stores are installed. As a result, we expect revenues during the second half of 1990, as compared to the same period of 1989, to grow at a substantially lower rate than the five-fold increase in the first half of 1990 as compared to the same period in 1989, and we expect full year 1990 revenues to be substantially below analysts' projections.

Despite this softening in the second half of this year, we are confident that the foundation has been laid for growth in 1991. Strenthened by the receipt of approximately $40 million of net proceeds from our initial public offering, we will continue to implement our strategic plan and thereby increase our national presence and broaden our cutomer base.''

In-Store Advertising, Inc. delivers advertising and promotional messages from national consumer product companies to shoppers.

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BEDFORD, England (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - NFC plc (AMEX:NFC), a leading international transport, logistics, property and services group, announced that for the 37 weeks ended June 16, 1990, its revenues rose to 1,102.6 million ($1,880.5 million -(a)), up 11% compared to the first 36 weeks of 1988/89. Despite reduced operating profit, NFC's pre-tax profit rose 4%. Earnings increased by 9% to 41.4 million ($70.6 million) and earnings per share rose 4% to 7.6p per share (13 per ADR, each representing 1 NFC Ordinary share).

Overseas, particularly in the U.S., NFC continued to grow strongly with the combined operating profit from Exel Logistics' and Home Services' overseas operations up 16% to 16.4 million ($28.0 million). Logistics continues to perform well and Home Services, despite depressed housing markets in the U.K. and elsewhere, was only marginally below last year's results.

Notwithstanding substantial reductions in the demand for package tours this year, Pickfords Travel succeeded in reducing its losses and the property business, Hyperion, produced overall profits ahead of last year, but it should be recognized that there is now a slowing down in the U.K. property market.

Transport division's performance continued to be affected by volume and margin pressures. Truck rental, car delivery and freight management were badly affected but this was offset in part by improved profits in contract hire and waste management.

Interest costs continue to be controlled by careful cash management, despite internationally higher interest rates, and at 4.7 million ($8.0 million) are 1.2 million ($2.0 million) lower than last year.

Profit sharing was reduced from 9.4 million to 2.9 million ($4.9 million) as a result of the lower operating profit. With the benefitof the lower charges for interest and profit-sharing, pre-tax profit increased to 55.9 million ($95.3 million) compared to 53.5 million ($91.2 million) in the first 36 weeks of 1988/89.

The directors have declared a fourth interim dividend of 1.15p per share, bringing the total for the year to 4.05p. The increase in dividends paid for the first 37 weeks reflects the special first interim dividend and the steps taken by the directors to even out quarterly dividend payments.

The dividend will be paid on December 17, 1990 to shareholders of record at November 1, 1990. The dollar amount of the dividend paid to ADR holders will depend on the sterling/dollar exchange rate prevailing on the date of payment.

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SCHENECTADY, NY (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - General Electric announced Tuesday the receipt of an order of more than $200 million for an additional four MS7001F gas turbines to Korea Electric Power Corp. (KEPCO) of the Republic of Korea.

The new contract calls for the supply of gas and steam turbines for what will now by a 1,886-megawatt combined-cycle power plant to be built on Ildo, an Inchon Bay island west of Seoul.

Based on U.S. usage, a plant of the size would be large enough to power the city of Houston.

GE announced in June that it had signed a first contract worth more than $200 million with KEPCO to supply four STAG 107F combined-cycle units for a 943-megawatt power plant to be built on Ildo. This new contract doubles the size of the project, from four to eight GE STAG 107F combined-cycle units and brings GE's share of the entire project to more than $400 million.

Each GE STAG 107F unit uses one 150-megawatt-class GE MS7001F gas turbine-generator and one GE reheat steam turbine-generator rated at 83 megawatts. All eight gas turbines will be equipped with dry low NOx abatement technology while burning natural gas.

All equipment is to be shipped in 1991, with the plant to begin simple-cycle operation in the summer of 1992 and combined-cycle operation in December 1992.

GE's 7F recently exceeded its 150-megawatt rating during testing to become the most powerful 60-hertz gas turbine and the most extensively tested 150-megawatt-class gas turbine in the world.

The eight 7F gas turbines will be built at GE's Greenville, S.C., manufacturing facilities, while the steam turbines and generators will be manufactured at GE's facilities in Schenectady.

GE is the world's leading manufacturer and supplier of power generation systems and services, including steam turbines, gas turbines, STAG combined-cycle systems, cogeneration power equipment and a variety of uprate, upgrade and power plant maintenance programs.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. (NASDAQ:COMS) Tuesday announced its 3Server family of dedicated network servers will support Novell's NetWare 386 system software, giving customers the flexibility they need to meet the data networking demands of their growing businesses.

3Com already offers the company's 3+Open LAN Manager network operating system on 3Server products. 3Com and Novell's latest partnership will allow the NetWare 386 network operating system to run without alteration on products in either the 3Server/500 or 3Server/600 lines. No changes to 3Server hardware are needed to run the Novell software.

Support for Novell's software on 3Com's server platform is the most recent example of the companies' partnership to forge interoperability between their local area network (LAN) system products. This month 3Com also began shipping 3+Open Connection for NetWare, announced in June, which for the first time allows DOS workstations to communicate simultaneously with NetWare and LAN Manager servers.

The softwaredrivers allowing NetWare to run on 3Server will ship in the first calendar quarter of 1991. 3Com and its worldwide distribution partners will continue to support its servers; Novell and its resellers will support NetWare. Packaging will be announced early next year.

Making its server products still more versatile, 3Com also announced today it is shipping an optional add-in board for its Intel 80386-based 3Server/500 that gives the product Intel 80486 performance, and said it would ship the 3Server/600, with 80486 features already built in, within 45 days.

3Com Corp. is a leading independent global data networking company, providing multivendor connectivity that spans organizations and businesses worldwide. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports networking systems based on industry standards and open systems architecture.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Coast Savings Financial Inc., (NYSE/PSE:CSA) announced Tuesday that it has engaged Goldman Sachs to

explore the sale of the San Diego and Central Valley retail banking offices of its subsidiary, Coast Federal Bank, FSB.

The company said that no firm bidders have yet been identified and that any sale would be subject to receipt of an acceptable offer and regulatory approval. If the contemplated sale is consummated, Coast's branch network would be reduced by 27 offices, representing $1.2 billion in deposits. Coast's remaining assets would be approximately $9.7 billion and the company would operate 93 retail banking offices in the Los Angeles, Orange San Francisco and Monterey regions.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM Tuesday began nationwide marketing of its new Personal System/1TM computer, a powerful, easy-to-use computer for the home that can be set up in minutes.

The move follows a two-month, kick-off in three metropolitan areas that ''exceeded our expectations,'' said James A. Cannavino, IBM vice president and general manager, Personal Systems.

Also announced today are: -- An affordable companion printer for the PS/1 that is very easy to use;

-- Availability of a PS/1 music option; and,

-- September availability of PROMENADESM, an on-line education and entertainment service available to PS/1 owners.

Members of the PS/1 team talked to hundreds of PS/1 buyers in the three metropolitan areas over the last 60 days, and found that the product's features, reliability, support and service are right on target.

In addition, there were some positive surprises: The easy-to-use PS/1 is finding a broader audience than expected among both advanced users and first-time users. And, buyers are showing greater preference than expected for the top-of-the-line PS/1 model. Eight out of 10 buyers chose the model that includes a hard disk drive and a color monitor.

With the national rollout, IBM today announced the IBM Personal System/1 Printer, a versatile companion printer for the PS/1 that offers letter-quality capability and is very easy to use, affordable and compact.

Like the PS/1, the 24-wire companion PS/1 printer and features are all

packaged in one box, and setup takes only minutes. It also is supported by the same on-line help service available to PS/1 customers seven days a week, 18 hours a day through the PS/1 Users' Club on PRODIGYR.

The versatile IBM PS/1 Printer offers either letter-quality, draft, or high-resolution graphics modes, with a choice of four typestyles that print in seven sizes or ''pitches.'' Flexible paper handling allows the user to print on letterhead, while keeping the continuous form paper in place. It can easily produce envelopes and labels to go with professional-looking letters and reports. Multiple-page reports are easily handled with an Automatic Sheet Feed Option. The PS/1 Printer is priced at $449; the Automatic Feed Sheet Option is $199.

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THE HAGUE, The Netherlands (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - AEGON (NASDAQ:AEGNY), the international insurance group, Tuesday reported higher results for the first six months of 1990.

Despite the approximate Dfl 16 million effect on net income of windstorm damage claims, net income increased by 15.1% from Dfl 216.7 million to Dfl 249.4 million ($131 million (a). Excluding the effect of currency exchange developments the gain in net income would have been 17.1%.

Earnings per common share rose by 4.6% from Dfl 5.62 to Dfl 5.88 ($3.10). The negative effect of the storm damage amounted to Dfl 0.38 ($0.20) per share; without the storm damage claims the increase in net income per share would have been 11.4%. Another restraining factor on earnings per share growth was the 1989 rights issue; the dilutive effect of this will diminish over the course of 1990.

Compared to the first six months of 1989 consolidated revenues rose by 6.3% from Dfl 6,275 million to Dfl 6,673 million ($3,518 million). Excluding currency exchange rate influences, revenues rose by 11.3%. Annuity deposits -- not included in consolidated revenues -- rose by 2% from Dfl 1,292 million to Dfl 1,318 million ($695 million).

In the first six months of 1990 revenues of the Dutch insurance operations showed further growth, benefitting especially from higher life insurance premium and investment income. Revenues from accident & health insurance and general insurance operations remained at the same level as last year. Compared to last year, the contribution of the Dutch insurance operations to net income rose. Net income from life insurance showed further growth but, even excluding the effect of the storm damage claims, the results of

general insurance lagged behind, especially in fire and automobile insurance lines.

The Friesch-Groningsche Hypotheekbank's results showed a further increase.

The acquisition of the Home Service Division of Washington National had a positive effect on AEGON USA's performance. Compared to the first six months of 1989, US revenues of both life insurance and accident & health insurance showed further increases. Life insurance net income improved but net income in group accident & health insurance was lower than expected.

AEGON is Holland's second largest insurer and one of the top thirty worldwide. Its extensive US interests are represented by AEGON USA, whose twelve operating divisions now conduct the nationwide activities formerly vested in Life Investors Inc. (Cedar Rapids, IA), Monumental Corp. (Baltimore, MD) and National Old Line (Little Rock, AR). Besides its NASDAQ listing in the US, AEGON shares trade on the Amsterdam, Tokyo, London and Zurich Basel and Geneva stock exchanges. They may be accessed on the Reuters Equities 2000 service under the symbol AEGN.AS; and on Quotron under the symbol AEGON.EU.

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MONROVIA, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - STAAR Surgical Co.'s management announced net earnings of $2,817,076, or 15 cents per share, mostly attributable to other income derived from the settlement of litigation concerning its patented ELASTIC LENS (TM) technology with Allergan Medical Optics (AMO) of Irvine; sale of the company's 50 percent ownership in NewLensCo to Cooper Companies of Palo Alto; and revenue from Chiron Ophthalmics Inc. of Irvine, associated with obtaining approvable status of the company's ELASTIC LENS (TM) from the Ophthalmic Panel of the Federal Drug Administration (FDA).

The company's earnings for the first six months of 1990 totaled $8,075,215 or 50 cents per share. ''The first six months of earnings along with a private placement of preferred stock in June 1990 increased the company's net equity from a negative $7,980,641 to a positive $1,541,324 on June 30, 1990,'' stated William C. Huddleston, the company's chief financial officer.

Operationally, revenues for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, were fairly constant with the second quarter of 1989 at $1,129,916 vs. $1,122,122. Overall cost and expenses decreased 19 percent, primarily due

to 57 percent reduction in cost of sales.

The primary reason for the significant decrease in cost of sales was the company reserved a lesser amount for unsold inventory in the second quarter of 1990 compared with the second quarter of 1989, which was made possible by more selective inventory production in 1990.

This decrease in cost was offset by a 26 percent increase in general & administrative expenses which was the result of continued litigation on the management control issues and continued expenses associated with the clean-up of patent infringment and other litigated items.

Research and development expenses were up 21 percent for the three months ended June 30, 1990, compared with the three months ended June 30, 1989, primarily because of additional work being accomplished on ultraviolet materials and continued research in preparation of the company's ELASTIC (TM) and ELASTIMIDE (TM) LENSES final approval by the FDA.

STAAR, a publicly traded company founded in 1982, develops, manufactures and markets products for small-incision surgery, primarily for use in cataract procedures.

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ARNHEM, the Netherlands (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Akzo, the global chemical company, and Alcoa, Pittsburgh, Pa., have signed a memorandum of understanding to cooperate in the production and marketing of fiber-metal laminates for the aerospace industry.

Fiber-metal laminates consist of alternating layers of sheet metal and high-strength fiber-reinforced resins. The laminates are stronger and lighter than traditional alloys used in the aerospace industry.

Under the memorandum of understanding, Akzo will contribute its knowledge in advanced fibers, and Alcoa will contribute its expertise in aluminum aerospace applications.

The fiber-metal laminate concept was developed in the Netherlands in the late 1970's by Delft University of Technology together with Akzo, Alcoa and Fokker Aircraft B.V.

Akzo is a diversified chemical company. In 1989 its sales reached more than US $9.0 billion. It has operations in 50 countries where it manufactures and markets chemicals, man-made fibers, coatings and

healthcare products. In the U.S. and Canada it employs more than 10,500 persons at 161 locations. Akzo's ADRs (American Depositary Receipts) are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol AKZOY.

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SAN DIEGO, CA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Imaging Centers of America Inc. (NASDAQ:MIKA) Tuesday announced that it has entered into an agreement with the Ide Diagnostic Imaging Associates to acquire the Ide's existing MRI equipment and become the long term exclusive provider of MRI technology to Ide in the Northeast.

It is anticipated that MICA's investment in this transaction will be approximately $11 million by year end when new MRI installations are completed.

Antone J. Lazos, chairman and chief executive officer of MICA stated, ''Providing MRI technology to Ide, one of the premier radiology groups in the Northeast, will facilitate our expansion into this region. This is a continuation of our plan to forge key strategic alliances in the high technology services market.''

MICA provides high technology medical services to the hospital and physician communities.

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HOLBROOK, NY (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Cyber Digital Inc. (OTC) Tuesday reported that net income for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990 increased to $365,855, equal to 3 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $65,722, or 1 cent per share, the previous year.

''The improved profitability is due to restructuring of debt and increase in sales volume,'' said J.C. Chatpar, chairman and chief executive officer.

Sales increased 26 percent to $913,429 from $721,772 in the previous year, due principally to increased domestic shipments.

Cyber Digital Inc., designs, develops, manufactures and markets digital telephone switching and networking systems which it markets domestically and internationally.

Cyber Digital Inc., shares trade in the over-the-counter market and are listed in the ''pink sheets.''

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J.C. Chatpar, 516/471-5270.

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TEMPE, AZ (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - MicroAge Computer Centers Inc., (NASDAQ:MICA) announced Tuesday the signing of a master licensing agreement with ND Trade A.S., a newly created subsidiary of Norsk Data (NASDAQ:NORK) of Oslo, Norway.

The agreement gives ND Trade A.S. the exclusive rights to the MicroAge trademark and the franchise rights to establish a MicroAge PC-dealer network throughout Scandinavia.

Vice President and Managing Director of MicroAge International Inc., Duane Hall stated ''ND Trade A.S. is in an excellent position to establish a Scandinavian PC Network. After developing this business plan with ND Trade A.S., we believe that it has the technical expertise to succeed as a value-added reseller, as well as the service-oriented philosophy that can help it achieve its goal of becoming Scandinavia's premier dealer network of computer products.

''The agreement builds upon Norsk Data's strategy of creating efficient distribution channels for standard information technolgoy products in Scandinavia. We chose MicroAge because of their experience in building and retaining a dealer network. This perfectly complements our knowledge of the Scandinavian market,'' said Soren Voigt, executive vice president Scandinavia, Norsk Data.

''Market research indicates that more and more dealers are experiencing problems as a result of diminishing margins and tough competition. By becoming a part of the MicroAge network, dealers get all the benefits of a large network, while maintaining control of their own business.''

Norsk Data's role as a systems integrator is based primarily on industry standards and proprietary systems, networks, and software. Mission critical applications, customer service, user support, training and consulting are added to offer complete solutions. The company's demonstrated advantage is to implement information technology in ways that

support their customers' business goals.

William Keiper, president, MicroAge Computer Centers Inc., added, ''We are pleased to have ND Trade A.S., as our master franchisor in Scandinavia. This agreement compliments our expansion into the international information technology market place.''

MicroAge markets and distributes information technology products and services through an international network of 732 franchised, company-owned and dealer locations.

CONTACT: MicroAge Inc., Tempe
  Nadine Wakely, 602/968-3168, Ext. 2215.

-30- 2654
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RESTON, VA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - FASTCOMM COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (NASDAQ: FSCX) Tuesday reported revenues of $1,225,190 and net earnings of $161,718 for the first quarter ending July 31, 1990.

Revenues for the like period last year were $486,120 and a loss of $598. The revenue increase was in excess of 150 percent.

Robert Dennis, president said, ''We are pleased with our progress and feel the company can sustain its momentum.''

FASTCOMM COMMUNICATIONS CORP. is a designer, manufacturer and marketer of data communications equipment.

Fastcomm Communications Corp.
Financial results

	1st Quarter 1991	1st Quarter 1990
Revenues	$1,225,190	$486,120
Net income B/T	$215,625	-598
Income Tax	-53,906	0
Net Income	161,718	-598
Net Income per share	4 cents	0

CONTACT: Fastcomm Communications Corp., Reston
  Robert Dennis, 703/620-3900.

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NEW YORK (AUGL. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - National Patent Development Corp. (AMEX/PSE: NPD) announced Tuesday that it's 82 percent controlled subsidiary, Interferon Sciences Inc., (NASDAQ:IFSC) was invited - and will

participate in - a conference to be held in Geneva, Switzerland, on September 3, 4 and 5, sponsored by the World Health Organization relating to the use of Oral Low Doses of Alpha Interferon in treating patients infected with AIDS.

Interferon Sciences is conducting a double blind clinical trial at Mount Sinai Hospital in New York utilizing Oral Low Doses of Alpha Interferon on patients with AIDS related complex (ARC) and is presently planning an open dose ranging study on AIDS and ARC patients.

ISI is presently in the final stages of a $4.2 million expansion of its manufacturing facility to produce ALFERON N Injection, ISI's first FDA approved product, for the treatment of genital warts.

ISI believes that the expansion will give it the capacity to meet the expanding market demand for the product. It is estimated that there are 8 million new and recurrent cases of genital warts annually in the United States alone. Studies indicate that there may be a relationship between the occurrence of genital warts and the later development of cervical cancer.

ISI's distributor, The Purdue Frederick Co., is planning to launch the ALFERON N Injection on a regional basis in the fourth quarter of 1990 and on a national basis in the first quarter of 1991.

CONTACT: National Patent Development Corp., New York
Lawrence M. Gordon, 212/230-9513.

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CHANTILLY, VA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - VERDIX Corp. (NASDAQ: VRDX) Tuesday announced that its VERDIX Secure Local Area Network (VSLAN) is now certified as a B2 Multi-Level Secure (MLS) Network by the National Computer Security Center.

The VSLAN is the first and only network product to reach this milestone.

Multi-Level Security can mean substantial cost savings for secure systems and substantial convenience for the users of those systems. VSLAN can replace the numerous redundant LANs which were previously required to keep different levels of data separated. VSLAN alleviates the practice of clearing all users to the clearance required for most secure data on the system.

And, VSLAN replaces the ''sneaker net'' -- the practice of transferring data between secure systems by carrying disks back and forth.

VSLAN, a B2 MLS network, interconnects different computers (PCs, workstations, minis) and allows personnel operating a different levels of security clearances to interact with a common database. It supports Ethernet Network Protocol and is compatible with all standard operating systems (Unix, VMS, DOS, etc., and higher level protocols.

The VSLAN is designed to be used by Department of Defense agencies, the intelligence community and government contractors who are building secure computer and communications systems to meet the government mandate for protection of classified and sensitive information. The VSLAN security features are also applicable to the networks in other federal government agencies, financial institutions and Fortune 1000 corporations.

The VSLAN has been installed at several DoD contractors' facilities, at U.S. Air Force and Mitre facilities. It has been accepted as a MLS Network Component for the DoD MLS TEstbed managed by the Defense Communications Agency, DoD and the Joint Staff Office.

VERDIX Corp. is headquartered in Chantilly, with major Ada software development facilities in Aloha, Ore. It specializes in products to meet government and industry needs for secure computer networks and Ada language development systems. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ symbol VRDX.

CONTACT: VERDIX Corp., Chantilly
Gaurang Shah, 703/378-7600.

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LITTLE ROCK, AK (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - TCBY Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:TBY) said that it has experinced percentage declines in the midteens in same store sales for the period of June and July, 1990.

Accordingly, the company believes that its earnings for the third quarter ending Aug. 31, 1990, will be in the range of 25 cents to 30 cents per share. This estimate compares to earnings of 43 cents per share in the third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989.

The company believes these lower sales and earnings reflect several factors, including increased competition, a slowing economy and reduced franchise fee income. The company's previously announced programs of outside sales opportunities through the franchisees and new marketing programs are desisgned to increase store sales.

TCBY is the largest franchisor and operator of retail stores specializing in soft-serve frozen yogurt products in the United States, with approximately 1,900 stores worldwide.

CONTACT: TCBY Enterprises Inc., Little Rock
Mimi M. Hurst, 501/688-8229.

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STOUGHTON, MA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - David G. Ropes, formerly vice president of advertising for Pepsi-Cola Co., has joined the Reebok Division of Reebok International Ltd. as vice president, marketing services, it was announced Tuesday by John Duerden, president of Reebok Worldwide.

Ropes will be responsible for coordinating all marketing support services including advertising, merchandising, retail promotions and athlete/celebrity endorsements for all Reebok footwear and apparel. He will report directly to Duerden.

With Pepsi Co. Inc., from 1980-1989, Ropes worked for the Pizza Hut subsidiary as vice president of advertising/promotion/media from 1982-87 before assuming responsibility for national advertising for Pepsi-Cola and Slice. Earlier in his career with Pepsi-Cola he was an advertising manager on several soft drink brands and helped develop the ''Pepsi Challenge'' advertising campaign.

Previously, he was an account supervisor at William Esty (1977-80) and held a variety of brand management and communications positions at Philip Morris (1968-69 and 1972-77).

He spent three and a half years in the U.S. Army, including service in Viet Nam as an assault helicopter pilot and was awarded a Bronze Star for valor. He is a graduate of the University of Florida and serves on the advisory board of its college of journalism. He was named one of the top 100 executives in advertising by Advertising Age in 1986.

Ropes and his wife, Sandy, have two children, Ali and Mike, and will be relocating to the Boston area from Goldens Bridge, N.Y.

Reebok International Ltd., headquartered in Stoughton, is one of the leading designers and marketers of active lifestyle and performance products, including footwear and apparel. The company's operating units include the Reebok footwear and apparel divisions, the Rockport, Avia and Boston Whaler boats divisions. Sales for 1989 totaled $1.822 billion.

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Beth Rice, 617/341-7306
by
McGrath/Power Associates Inc., New York

Michelle Marin, 212/353-3110.

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NASHVILLE, TN (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Dollar General Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DOLR) Tuesday announced that Kenneth E. Mahlke has joined the company as vice president, human resources.

In announcing the appointment Cal Turner Jr., chairman and chief executive officer commented: ''Ken Mahlke will enhance our management team's ability to create an organizational climate that attracts exceptional people and provides them with the professional development, motivation, and rewards required to accomplish Dollar General's growth and profitability objectives. In addition, his hands' on retailing experience as a store manager and district manager will give impetus to our programs for getting results in our stores.''

Mahlke, 41, was most recently vice president, Human Resources for Melvin Simon & Associates, Indianapolis. Prior to that he was with Lazarus Department Stores from 1981 to 1988 in various operational and human resources management positions.

Prior to that he was vice president, human resources for Elder-Berman Stores Inc. and earlier was director of human resources for the Paul Harris Stores Inc.

Dollar General Corp., a major discount retailer is a chain of more than 1,400 neighborhood stores operating in 23 states with distribution centers in Georgia and Kentucky.

CONTACT: Dollar General Corp., Nashville
John E. Pennington, 615/665-9536

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COHASSET, MA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Cohasset Savings Bank (NASDAQ:CHTB) has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 6 cents per share, payable Oct. 1, 1990 to stockholders of record Sept. 14, 1990.

This continues the dividend rate that has prevailed throughout 1989 and 1990 and is the 11th cash dividend paid since the bank converted to stock form in 1987. The bank has 1,002,978 shares outstanding.

Cohasset Savings Bank is a 145-year-old community thrift institution serving a popular residential area of Massachusetts' South Shore.

Total assets at June 30, 1990 were $65,676,000 and stockholders' equity was $12,447,000 at that date.

CONTACT: Cohasset Savings Bank, Cohasset
Donald E. Bates, 617/545-8122.

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DALLAS (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Commercial Metals Co. announced today that its subsidiaries CMC Trading AG and CMC (Australia Pty. Ltd.) have entered into agreements to acquire the steel trading business of Ausminco Holdings Ltd. of Sydney, Australia.

The closing of the acquisition is anticipated within 10 days.

In making the announcement, Walter Kammann, managing director of Commercial Metals Company Holding, AG, said Ausminco Holdings Ltd. handles a significant quantity of Australian steel imports, mainly from Brazil and Argentina. ''During its 15-year history with Brazil, Ausminco has developed steel suppliers for markets other than Australia. CMC's existing steel trading infrastructure is qualified to also market these supplies in the United States, Japan and other parts of Asia.''

The Australian steel trading operation will be a department of CMC (Australia) Pty. Ltd. under the management of Kevin S. Aitken, former director and partner of Ausminco Holdings Ltd. Aitken will report to Murray McClean, managing director of CMC (Australia) Pty. Ltd.

''CMC has also concluded a consultant agreement with Ausminco Trading S.A. in Sao Paulo, Brazil,'' Kammann continued. ''Formerly a part of Ausminco Holdings Ltd., Ausminco Trading, now an independently owned Brazilian company, will assist CMC's trading operations in sourcing steel supplies from Brazil.''

In concluding Kammann said, ''We expect this acquisition to enhance our capacity as we continue developing our Australian and international steel business.''

Commercial Metals Company and subsidiaries manufacture, recycle and market metal products, related materials and services through a network of over 40 U.S. locations including steel minimills, steel fabrication plants, a copper tube mill, recycling facilities and trading officer, plus over 10 trading and representative offices in strategic overseas markets.

CONTACT: Commercial Metals Company, Dallas
David M. Sudbury, 214/689-4367.

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SAN ANTONIO (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - 50-OFF Stores Inc. reported a continued upward trend in revenue and income for the second quarter of the 1991 fiscal year ended Aug. 3.

The company reported revenue of $15,223,183 for the quarter ended Aug. 3, 1990, compared to revenue of $11,905,261 for the quarter ended Aug. 4, 1989, an increase of approximately 27.9 percent. Income before preferred stock dividends and extraordinary credit was $174,527 compared to $71,437 for the quarter ended Aug. 4, 1989, an increase of approximately 144.3 percent. Both primary and fully diluted income per common share before extraordinary credit was 2 cents for the current period vs. break-even for the prior comparable period.

The San Antonio-based chain of off-price apparel retail stores reported revenue of $30,728,548 for the 26 week period ended Aug. 3, 1990, compared to revenue of $24,665,347 for the comparable prior year period ended Aug. 4, 1989, an increase of approximately 24.6 percent.

Income before preferred stock dividends and extraordinary credit was $747,356 for the current 26 week period compared to $500,849 for the comparable prior year period, an increase of approximately 49.2 percent. Fully diluted income per common share before extraordinary credit was 14 cents per the current period compared to 11 cents for the prior comparable period.

For the quarter and six months ended Aug. 4, 1989, the extraordinary credit-tax benefit resulting from the utilization of operating loss carryforwards was $36,500 and $258,000, respectively. The company no longer has operating loss carryforwards.

Charles Siegel, president and chief executive officer of the 41-store chain, explained that second quarter revenues and income continued to exceed budgeted expectations. Siegel stated that the company's improved performance is largely due to higher sales, primarily as a result of the openings of additional 50-OFF stores and to better sales-per-store performances. Comparable store sales for the quarter were up by 4.7 percent.

Siegel added that the company's newest store, just opened Aug. 23, 1990, in Shreveport, La., and its first store in that state, was the most successful opening in terms of sales performance since the company opened its first 50-OFF store in February 1986. He also reported strong August sales in connection with the back-to-school selling season, significantly exceeding projections for the current season as well as last year.

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Charles Siegel, 512/653-8000.

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ASHLAND, KY (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Addington Resources (NASDAQ/NMS:ADDR) Chairman Larry Addington announced Tuesday the construction of a $4 million recycling facility in eastern Kentucky, the first of many which the company intends to build in the U.S.

At the same time, Addington released an offer to settle litigation against its landfill subsidiary, Green Valley Environmental Corp., including an offer to reduce the landfill size and a written guarantee not to accept East Coast garbage.

The recycling facility, which will be constructed and operated by Addington Environmental Inc., is capable of recycling up to 75 percent of municipal solid waste, Addington said. Addington Environmental is a subsidiary of Addington Resources Inc. The system relies primarily on automation, as opposed to hand-sorting, to separate the waste stream into reusable components.

The facility will be the first major recycling operation in Kentucky, Addington said. The state currently generates about 4.6 million tons of solid waste annually.

The recycling facility, which is initially designed to handle 400 tons of solid waste per day but can be expanded to handle up to 1,000 tons per day is located in Boyd County, Ky., about three miles from the Green Valley Landfill.

Green Valley constructed the first phase of its landfill in 1989, but a Circuit Court judge ruled in January 1990 that the landfill could not open until landfill opponents were given the opportunity for additional hearings.

The chief complaint from landfill opponents has been the size of the landfill and their fear that it would be used for disposal of large volumes of garbage from New York, New Jersey and other eastern states, where landfill space is limited.

Addington said he would be willing to limit the source of garbage to Kentucky and a 75-mile radius of the landfill. He said an area of that size would insure that the recycling facility and landfill could be operated profitably and would help keep the cost of disposal for the community low.

In addition to its environmental operations, Addington Resources Inc. mines and markets coal and is engaged in contracting and highway construction operations.

CONTACT: Addington Environmental Inc., Ashland
Jack Baker, 606/223-3824.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameritrust Corporation today announced the election of Craig R. Smith as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer on an interim basis of the $11 billion multi-bank holding company and James D. Rode as Chief Operating Officer of the holding company and Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of its principal banking subsidiary.

At the same time, Ameritrust said that Jerry V. Jarrett has resigned as Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and as Director of both the Corporation and the Bank. Jarrett said, ''I have subscribed to a philosophy for many years that says that when one does not feel good about coming to work every morning, one should quit and move on to something else. That time has come.'' Mr. Smith said, ''Jerry has served the Bank faithfully for many years. We sincerely thank him for his service to Ameritrust.''

Smith, 65, has been an Ameritrust Director since 1980. He has been particularly active in Ameritrust operations over the last several months as Chairman of the special Board committee established to focus on credit quality concerns. He said that becoming Ameritrust's chief executive during this transition period for the Corporation was a logical extension of his role on that committee.

Smith also announced that at his suggestion Ameritrust had retained Thomas R. Williams as a consultant to assist the organization. Williams has spent a quarter-century in banking, and is the retired Chairman of the First Wachovia Corp.

A native Clevelander, Smith has previously served as chairman and chief executive of The Warner & Swasey Company, Cleveland, and more recently, Ransburg Corporation, Indianapolis.

Rode, 42, has been President of both Ameritrust and the Bank and a Director of each since 1983. He first joined Ameritrust in 1969. A lifelong resident of the Cleveland area, Rode is active in a number of civic organizations, including serving on the Boards of Trustees of Case Western Reserve University and University Hospitals.

Williams, 61, began his banking career in Cleveland with National City

Bank in 1965, rising to executive vice president. He left NCB in 1972 to become President and subsequently Chairman of First Atlanta Corporation, which was merged with First Wachovia in 1987.

CONTACT: Ameritrust Corporation, Cleveland
Howard Glassroth, 216/737-5145
or
Terry D. Taylor, 216/737-5414

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WESTBOROUGH, MA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - New England Electic System (NEES) directors today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 51 cents per common share, payable on Oct. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: New England Electric System, Westborough
Robert H. McLaren, 508/366-9011 (days)
508/842-0143 (evenings)

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Designs Inc. (NASDAQ:DESI), operator of specialty retail stores that sell exclusively Levi Strauss & Co. clothing and accessories, announced today its financial results for the second quarter ended July 28, 1990.

Sales for the quarter rose to $25.1 million, compared with $15.1 million a year ago, a 66 percent increase. For the first six months of the fiscal year, sales were $44.7 million compared with $27.2 million, representing an increase of 64 percent. Comparable store sales, those 59 stores open a full fiscal year, increased 20 percent for the quarter and 14 percent for the year to date.

Gross margin rate (including the costs of occupancy) for the quarter was 27 percent, the same as a year ago. For the first half of the fiscal year the gross margin rate increased to 26 percent from 25 percent. This increase was made possible by the continued favorable impact the stronger sales have had on our fixed occupancy costs as a percent to sales. In addition, continued attention to both operating and overhead costs has also resulted in a favorable impact on earnings.

Net loss for the quarter was $381,000 or 8 cents per share compared with a net loss of $866,000 or 17 cents per share for the second quarter last year. For the first six months the net loss decreased to $1.4 million or 28 cents per share from $2.0 million or 40 cents per share in the prior

year.

In reporting the results, Geoffrey M. Holczer, treasurer and chief financial officer, noted: ''The reduced net loss for the quarter and year to date reflect the continued favorable impact of the merchandising strategy we implemented last fall combined with a number of successful store openings. As we head into our traditionally strong third and fourth quarters, we look for these improvements in sales and earnings to continue.''

Designs Inc.'s 69 traditional stores and 28 outlet stores sell exclusively Levi Strauss & Co. clothing and accessories under the ''Designs exclusively Levi Strauss & Co.'' and ''Specials exclusively Levi Strauss & Co.'' names. The stores are located in enclosed regional shopping malls and outlet parks in 26 states throughout the eastern half of the country.

CONTACT: Designs Inc., Chestnut Hill
Geoffrey M. Holczer or Samuel J. Levenson, 617/739-6722.

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HILLIARD, OH (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - HDR Power Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:HDRP), headquartered in Hilliard, today announced operating results for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales for the current fiscal year were $8,983,701, compared to $12,060,927 for fiscal year 1989. Net earnings for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, were $189,896 or 10 cents per share, compared to $1,131,588 or 57 cents per share for the fiscal year ended July 1, 1989. The number of weighted average common share equivalents outstanding for both years were 1,985,000.

As a result of the increase in custom products bookings, the addition of two regional sales managers, expected increased opportunities for the standard product manufactured for the EDP market, and new programs for extended warranites and maintenance contracts, management is hopeful that sales and net earnings for fiscal year 1991 will increase compred to fiscal year 1990 levels.

HDR Power Systems Inc. manufactures a broad line of uninterruptible power systems used in both industrial and commerical business applications.

Financial Highlights

	Thirteen Weeks Ended 6/30/90	Thirteen Weeks Ended 7/1/89	Fifty-two Weeks Ended 6/30/90	Fifty-two Weeks Ended 7/1/89
Net sales	$2,282,864	$3,929,485	$8,983,701	$12,060,927

Net earnings (loss)	(29,590)	440,810	189,896	1,131,588
Earnings (loss) per common and common equivalent share	(1 cent)	22 cents	10 cents	57 cents
Weighted average common and common equavalent shares outstanding	1,985,000	1,985,000	1,985,000	1,985,000

CONTACT: HDR Power Systems Inc., Hilliard
Richard J. Lippott, 614/771-5500.

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HILLIARD, OH (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Strong sales gains in all product lines led to record profits at Medex Inc., during the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, the company reported Tuesday.

Fiscal 1990 was the 15th consecutive year of sales and earnings gains for the company which designs, manufactures and distributes a wide range of disposable medical products for critical and acute care.

The fourth quarter of 1990 was especially strong. During the period, sales totaled $13.4 million and net income was $1,468,758, or 31 cents per primary share (28 cents per fully diluted share). In the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989, sales were $10 million and net income was $568,811, or 13 cents per primary and fully diluted share. Sales were up 34 percent for the quarter and net income increased 158 percent over the prior year.

Revenues for the year were $44.7 million, an increase of 22 percent over the $36.7 million recorded in fiscal 1989. Net income climbed to $3.9 million, or 86 cents per primary share (83 cents per fully diluted share), compared with $2.8 million, or 65 cents per primary and fully diluted share last year.

Craig Waldbillig, chairman and chief executive officer, said all of the Medex family of companies registered significant gains during the year.

He also noted the company's strong showing in international markets. In West Germany, for example, sales grew 57 percent during the year, he said.

Medex lines for life-support systems include intravenous fluid and drug administration and invasive pressure monitoring as well as products for neonatal intensive care, cardiac catheterization labs, oncology and pain management.

Operating subsidiaries of Medex Inc. include: Medex Medical Inc., Rossendale, England; Cardionova GmbH, Dusseldorf, West Germany; and MedFusion Inc., Duluth, Ga.

CONTACT: Medex Inc., Hilliard
Robert F. Durbin, 614/876-2413.

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MADISON, WI (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - LUNAR Corp. (NASDAQ:LUNR) Tuesday announced that net income for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 increased to $2,368,000 from $608,000 in the prior year.

Total revenues for the twelve months increased 46 percent to $14,690,000, up from $10,051,000 in the twelve months ended June 30, 1989.

Net income for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, increased 10 percent to $529,000, or 12 cents per share, compared with net income of $482,000, or 12 cents per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Fourth quarter revenues increased 14 percent to $3,723,000, from $3,268,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

LUNAR completed its initial public offering of 1,250,000 shares of common stock at $12 per share on August 21. Of the 1,250,000 shares sold, 1 million were sold by the company and 250,000 by shareholders. $2,800,000 of the company proceeds were used to repay long-term debt and the balance was invested in short term securities to be used for general corporate purposes.

LUNAR develops products for the diagnosis, monitoring, and treatment of osteoporosis and other metabolic bone diseases. The company develops and sells bone densitometers, which are specialized scanning systems used to aid in the diagnosis of bone disease by measuring the density of bone.

The company is developing a drug, one alpha-D2, for the treatment of osteoporosis and is currently conducting Phase I clinical trials on osteoporotic patients.

Dr. Mazess, president, noted that recent six-month results of a clinical trial in osteoporotic patients confirmed earlier short-term findings that patients tolerate one alpha-D2 at levels several times higher than other vitamin D analogues.

Previous studies showed other vitamin D analogues were effective but not well tolerated at higher doses. One such analog, one alpha-D3, is widely

used in Japan.

Vitamin D analogues are thought to stimulate new bone formation in contrast to most therapies for osteoporosis (bisphosphonates, estrogens), which inhibit bone loss.

CONTACT: LUNAR Corp., Madison
Robert A. Beckman, 608/274-2663.

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WILLOUGHBY, OH (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Figgie International Inc. has announced plans to acquire Talon International Ltd. of Levin, New Zealand, and Talon International Pty. Ltd. of Sydney, Australia. The acquisition is subject to the execution of a definitive purchase agreement. Terms were not disclosed.

Talon's manufacturing and marketing companies will operate in conjunction with Figgie International's Snorkel-Economy division. The new organization will be known as Talon/Snorkel Pty. Ltd., headquartered in Sydney.

Talon International Ltd. manufactures equipment for the construction and maintenance industries, including scissorlifts, telescoping self-propelled boom work platforms and articulating booms for trucks and trailers. Talon International Pty. Ltd. is the sales and distribution company that markets Talon products in Australia, New Zealand, and in the Pacific Rim countries.

Ross Hogan, a Talon executive, will be named managing director of Talon/Snorkel Pty. Ltd. and will have overall responsibility for the operation.

Snorkel is the world's largest manufacturer of industrial work platforms, scissorlifts and aerial platforms. The St. Joseph, Missouri-based company also makes articulating and telescoping boom water towers for firefighting.

Figgie International Inc. is a major diversified Fortune 500 company serving consumer, industrial, technical and service markets worldwide. Sales in 1989 were $1.3 billion.

CONTACT: Figgie International Inc., Cleveland
Michael J. Prendergast, 216/953-2810

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MILFORD, MA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - CPS Superconductor Corp., a subsidiary of Ceramics Process Systems Corp. (CPS)(OTC:CPSX), Tuesday

announced the successful completion of a Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) Contract with NASA's Lewis Research Center, demonstrating the use of Rapid Thermal Processing (RPT) to manufacture High Temperature Superconductor (HTSC) Wire.

The RPT method dramatically reduces the time required to sinter HTSC materials from hours to a few seconds.

This SBIR-NASA contract enabled the company to continue rapid thermal processing work orginally conducted with Sandia National Laboratory, Albuquerque, N.M. A company spokesperson said: ''This NASA program provided us with valuable information to increase our HTSC wire manufacturing rate.''

The company is a major contractor for the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) and produces metallized ceramic superconductor wire in continuous lengths.

CPS Superconductor manufactures and markets high temperature superconductor powder, wire, conductors, and fabricated shapes. Cermics Process System develops, manufactures, and markets advanced ceramic products for the microelectronics, automotive, and defense industries. CPS recently completed a $3.3 million equity financing for new product development and manufacturing.

CONTACT: Ceramics Process Systems Corp., Milford
  Peter R. Loconto, 508/634-3422.

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HACKENSACK, NJ (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Alpine Group Inc. (ASE:AGI) announced Tuesday that it has entered into a license agreement with McDonnell Douglas Corp. for military applications of Alpine's PolyVision flat panel display technology.

The license agreement provides for license fees, future royalties and technical assistance. The license is exclusive as to military applications, subject to Alpine's right to develop applications not exploited by McDonnell Douglas in accordance with the Agreement.

In announcing the agreement, Steven S. Elbaum, chairman and chief executive officer of Alpine said, ''This agreement represents another step in the process of commercializing this promising technology, complementing as it does our earlier agreements with Corning Inc. on variable light applications of PolyVision, with the LEGO Group of Denmark on signage and other large pixel applications and with Electronic Retailing Systems International Inc. for the development and sale of electronic retail

marketing systems, including electronic price tag displays.''

The Alpine Group Inc. is a holding company with operations in aerospace and information display related businesses. Alpine is developing PolyVision, a proprietary flat panel display technology, for commercial applications in a wide variety of markets. Flat panel display technologies are utilized for the electronic display of information and graphics on screens and other display media including video displays, outdoor and indoor signage, point of purchase displays, public information instrumentation and other media.

Alpine's information display activities also include the manufacturing and sale of menuboard display systems and components to fast food, convenience store and restaurant markets through its Posterloid Corp. subsidiary and programmable controllers and other specialized products used in multi-image audio visual presentations through its Audio Visual Laboratories Inc. subsidiary.

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Tamara Ehlin, 212/836-9607.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Westvaco Corp. (NYSE:W), a major manufacturer of paper, packaging, and chemicals reported Tuesday third quarter and nine-month sales, both new records, and earnings for the fiscal 1990 periods ended July 31, and increased its common stock dividend by 5 percent.

During the third quarter, Westvaco achieved sales of $592,888,000 which represented a record for the quarter and exceeded last year's sales of $564,763,000 by 5 percent. For the first nine months of the fiscal year, Westvaco's sales reached a record of $1,761,353,000 which surpassed sales of $1,681,096,000 in the same period last year by 4.8 percent.

Third quarter earnings were $47,516,000, or 73 cents per share of common stock, which represented a decline of 14 percent from the record level of $55,507,000, or 86 cents per share, which was achieved in the third quarter last year. Earnings for the first nine months of the fiscal year totaled $139,924,000, or $2.15 per share, vs. $162,322,000, or $2.51 per share, in the same period last year.

At a regularly scheduled meeting today, Westvaco's board of directors increased the quarterly dividend rate on the company's common stock from

25 cents per share to 26-1/4 cents per share. The new quarterly dividend rate is payable on Oct. 1 to shareholders of record Sept. 12.

The Westvaco board has increased the dividend rate 21 times in the past 27 years. It also extends to 95 years the company's record of uninterrupted quarterly cash dividends, one of the longest among companies listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

Commenting on third quarter conditions, John A. Luke, president and chief executive officer of Westvaco, said, ''During the quarter, the national economy has continued to show very, very slow growth.

Further reflecting on the international front, Luke commented on the Middle East oil situation, ''Within Westvaco, we responded early, and we responded successfully to the energy problems in the 1970s. Our position in 1990 is excellent. Only 5 percent of the total energy requirements of our principal energy-consuming operations are based on oil.

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Laura N. Miller, 212/688-5000, 212/688-5017 (after 5 p.m.)
or 212/949-8010 (home).

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NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - GTS Corporation (NASDAQ:GTSC) which provides seismic data and data processing services for oil and gas exploration, said that it has entered into a joint venture with the Laboratory of Regional Geodynamics (''LARGE''), a privately owned geophysical company based in Moscow, U.S.S.R.

The joint venture is known as Large International and is owned 50-50.

The joint venture will reprocess and market the existing geophysical data including seismic gravity magnetic and bathymetry data which LARGE owns both onshore and offshore in the U.S.S.R. -- areas which are becoming increasingly attractive to international oil and gas exploration companies.

Additionally, LARGE owns and operates the ''M/V MEZEN'' a 2,500 ton, 72 meter long marine seismic acquisition vessel capable of operating in icy waters.

As part of the joint venture, GTS is assisting in the upgrading of the ''MEZEN's'' data acquisition equipment to Western standards and is augmenting the ''MEZEN's'' professional staff with GTS personnel. The vessel will deploy in the near future to obtain new seismic data, operating under contracts with international oil companies.

GTS will supervise the marketing of the data which is acquired.

GTS President Edwin Generes, said: ''the professionalism of the LARGE staff, the ''MEZEN,'' the technical expertise of GTS with our proven processing capabilities and our marketing contacts with international oil companies, combine to make Large International a world class operation.

''Large International will operate in areas which have been off limits to western companies, but which are now becoming very interesting. We expect that Large International will be self funding and will be profitable in its first year of operation.''

CONTACT: GTS Corporation, New Orleans
John G. McCabe, 504-821-4872.

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Citizens Utilities board of directors Tuesday declared a 1.33 percent third quarter stock dividend on the company's outstanding Series A and Series B common stock, payable on Sept. 28 to shareholders of record on Sept. 10.

First and second quarter dividends were both at the 1.33 percent rate.

Leonard Tow, chairman, noted that dividends on Series A shares, which constitute 83 percent of the company's outstanding shares, have been paid in stock since 1956, while stock dividends on Series B shares were initiated in 1990.

Tow added that Series A stock dividends are now being paid quarterly rather than semi-annually as in past years because the company's certificate of incorporation requires that when the board declares a stock dividend on the company's Series B shares it must declare the same stock dividend on Series A shares.

Citizens Utilities (NASDAQ) is a diversified operating public utility providing telecommunications, electric, gas, water and wastewater services to nearly 500,000 consumer connections in 12 states: Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Nevada, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Utah and Vermont.

CONTACT: Citizens Utilities Co., Stamford
Jeanette H. Clonan, 203/329-5090.

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VANCOUVER, B.C. (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Naxos Resources (ASE: NXR) is pleased to announce that is has negotiated the acquisition of approximately 20 units of mineral claims near Shumway Lake, British Columbia in the Kamloops Mining division.

These claims adjoin the company's existing mineral claims at Shumway Lake. More particularly, the acquisitions are as follows:

ADD 2, 3, 4 and 10 Claims

These claims, are the subject of an Option Agreement between International Focus Resources Inc. and Goldbar Mines. Pursuant to the Option Agreement International Focus may earn up to a 49 percent interest in these claims from Goldbar by issuing 100,000 shares and making property payments totalling $275,000.00 over three years and completing $1,000,000.00 worth of work on the property by Sept. 15, 1993. International Focus has completed three diamond drill holes on the property.

Samples from the first hole returned a head grade by fire assaying of .071 oz/T Au over a length of 250 feet. International Focus further reported that cuttings from the hole were then crushed to produce a pan concentrate then a float concentrate and a tail. The fire assaying of these three products resulted in a calculated head grade of .0855 oz/T Au.

Naxos Resources Ltd. is pleased to announce that it has acquired from Goldbar an undivided fully paid 51 percent interest in these claims. Upon International Focus completing their obligations under the above-mentioned option agreement, ownership of the claims would be divided 51 percent to Naxos and 49 percent to International Focus.

Rich Claim

This four unit claim group adjoins the company's property to the north. One hundred percent interest in this claim was acquired by the company by way of the issuance of 15,000 shares and the cash payment of $2,000.

ADD 11 Claim

This one unit claim adjoins the company's property to the north. One hundred percent interest in this claim was acquired by the company by way of the issuance of 3,000 shares.

CONTACT: Naxos Resources Ltd, Vancouver
Jimmy John, 604/669-8078.

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GAINESVILLE, FL (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Quadrex Corp. (NASDAQ:QUAD) Tuesday announced financial results for the second quarter of fiscal 1991, which ended July 31.

Revenues for the quarter amounted to $9,572,000 as compared to $10,320,000 for the like quarter last year.

The company recorded earnings for the quarter of $130,000 or 2 cents per share, as compared to a loss from continuing operations of $1,677,000 or (22 cents) per share for the like period last year. In addition, last year's results also reported losses related to discontinued operations, bringing the total net loss to $3,926,000 or (51 cents) per share for the second quarter, FY'90.

Together with the profit recorded for the first quarter of this fiscal year, this represents the first two consecutive quarterly profits for Quadrex in 16 quarters.

For the six months ended July 31, revenues from continuing operations totaled $17,833,000 compared to $21,643,000 for the like period last year. Net income for the first six months rose to $151,000 or 2 cents per share compared to a loss of $2,762,000 or (36 cents) per share for the like six-month period last year.

In addition, losses related to discontinued operations for the first six months last year brought losses to $5,425,000 or (70 cents) per share total.

''We are very encouraged by the trend which began in the first quarter,'' said Quadrex Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William B. Derrickson. ''More importantly, our level of orders at this time offers an indication that positive results will continue.

''While this is good news, management's first priority will continue to be restoring the company's three operating segments of its core business to financial stability,'' Derrickson said.

Quadrex Corp. provides engineering, technical support, waste disposal, recycling and decontamination services to utilities, industrial companies, institutions, and government agencies. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol QUAD.

CONTACT: Quadrex Corp., Gainesville
Charles L. Scheer, 904/373-6066.

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CHATTANOOGA, TN (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Signal Apparel Co. Inc. (NYSE: SIA) Tuesday announced that it has entered into an agreement with National Football League Properties Inc. for the right to use "NFL" and "Club" marks on collection sportswear including tee shirts, fleece tops and bottoms, woven and knit tops and bottoms, sweaters, outerwear, hats and bags.

The license, which is effective April 1, 1991, will be used by the company's Heritage Sportswear Division. David Mitchell, who has been associated with National Football League Properties for several years, has joined Signal as a divisional vice president in charge of this new marketing progam.

Signal Apparel Co. Inc. is engaged in the manufacture and marketing of apparel, including knit sportswear, sweaters and knit shirts for men and boys, and women's apparel. The company's preferred and common stocks are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. The company's symbol is SIA.

CONTACT: Signal Apparel Co. Inc., Chattanooga, Paul C. Bradshaw, (615) 756-8146.

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ATLANTIC CITY, NJ (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Resorts International Inc. Tuesday announced that the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Camden, N.J. has entered an order confirming the company's plan of reorganization.

The court and the New Jersey Casino Control Commission both had approved the plan on August 17. Resorts expects that the plan will become effective in mid-September and that initial distribution of securities according to the plan will be made in late September.

Resorts also announced that Al Luciani, who has served since November, 1989 as executive vice president and chief operating officer of Resorts' Atlantic City property, will leave the company at the end of the month to pursue other opportunities. He will be replaced by Jack O'Donnell who will assume his new position in September.

"All of us at Resorts are excited about the future of this company and want to make it the best it can be," said David Hanlon, president and chief executive officer. "I want to welcome Jack O'Donnell, who I know will make a strong contribution to this company. On behalf of all Resorts employees, I want to thank Al Luciani for his hard work and contribution to Resorts. We wish him well in the future."

O'Donnell, 35 is a twelve year veteran of the gaming industry. He has held senior positions with three gaming companies, most recently as president and chief operating officer of Trump Plaza Hotel and Casino. Prior to that

he was senior vice president of marketing at Golden Nugget Casino. He began his career in 1975 with Bally Manufacturing Corp.

CONTACT: Sawyer/Miller Group, New York, Lynn Guggenheimer, (212) 303-2520.

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MIAMI (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Trygve E. Myhren, Jules Haimovitz and David O. Deutch were elected to the board of directors of Video Jukebox Network Inc. (VJN)(NASDAQ:JUKE), it was announced by company President/Chief Executive Officer Andrew H. Orgel at the company's Annual Meeting held in Miami on Friday, Aug. 24.

They joined re-elected board members David Unger, Andrew H. Orgel, Robert Puck and Daniel Cavallo. ''The addition of these individuals to the VJN Board brings a tremendous wealth of knowledge and experience to the Company. I am looking forward to their significant contributions as we build VJN,'' said Orgel.

Orgel told the asssembled shareholders that they can expect continued expansion of the company's first interactive television service, The Jukebox Network, which he said was approaching distribution of 10 million homes, as well as the testing and possible introduction of other services based on the company's proprietary interactive television technology.

''We have established ourselves early in this emerging industry, and feel very strongly that we must now seize the moment and move forward with other interactive products even as we ocntinue to build and refind The Jukebox Network,'' he said.

In his address to the shareholders, Orgel highlighted the achievements of the past year, which included significantly increasing viewer revenue, reaching positive income before non-cash expenditures and maintaining it for three consecutive quarters, continuing consistant expansion of The Jukebox Network while maintaining effective cost control, and increasing monthly per unit revenue of The Jukebox Network from $9,500 in second quarter 1989 to $10,200 for the like period in 1990.

Myhren is the former chairman and chief executive officer of American Television and Communications Corp. (ATC). He is currently president of Myhren Media, which provides consulting services and invests in media and telecommunications businesses, president of Greenwood Cable Management, which owns and manages cable television systems, and president of the Generaal Partner of Saguaro Cable Investors Ltd.

He has been a long-time member of the board of directors of the National Cable Television Association and was a co-founder of CTAM, the cable

industry's marketing and administration organization.

Video Jukebox Network Inc. is an interactive television company that currently operates 110 units of The Jukebox Network, the leading interactive television network in the country. The Jukebox Network is available in 29 states and reaches 9.8 million households.

CONTACT: Video Jukebox Network, Miami
John Robson, 305/892-3690.

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SOMERVILLE, MA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Central Co-operative Bank (NASDAQ:CEBK) today reported net income of $270,000, or 15 cents a share, for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, compared with net income of $339,000, or 18 cents a share, for the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

Joseph R. Doherty, chairman and chief executive officer of Central Co-operative Bank, noted that the bank has continued to post profitable results during a very difficult period for the banking industry and the regional real estate market. For the quarter ended July 31, 1990, net interest income improved more than 7 percent to $2.2 million from the same quarter a year earlier.

The bank's non-performing assets were 3.07 percent of total assets at July 31, 1990, compared to 2.96 percent at April 30, 1990, a level that continued to compare favorably with New England industry averages. In addition, stockholders' equity was $28.9 million at July 31, 1990, contributing to a capital ratio of 11.90 percent that was significantly above regulatory requirements.

The bank's results for the July 31, 1990 quarter included the $250,000 that Somerset Savings Bank paid Central Co-operative Bank in May 1990 as a result of the previously announced settlement of the litigation between Somerset and Central regarding the Acquisition Agreement that was terminated in September 1989.

This income was offset by $235,000 of costs relating to the sale of a foreclosed property and to operating expenses for maintaining other foreclosed properties, as well as $72,000 of expenses associated with the settlement of the litigation between Central and Somerset.

At July 31, 1990, the bank's total assets were $242.6 million, and net loans were $209.1 million.

Central Co-operative Bank is a Massachusetts chartered co-operative bank operating eight full-service offices in metropolitan Boston.

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Gladys N. Partamian, 617/628-4000.

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DUNCAN, SC (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Henry D. Jacobs Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of One Price Clothing Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ONPR) announced Tuesday that he will immediately assume the additional position of president of the company.

Brian P. Woolf, who has served as a director since June 1988, and president of the company since December 1988, has left the company by mutual agreement to pursue other interests.

Jacobs also announced that Gregory R. Moxley C.P.A., who has been with Ernst & Young for the past 12 years, will become the company's chief financial officer. At Ernst & Young, Moxley has had client responsibility for the company since 1985.

CONTACT: One Price Clothing Stores Inc., Duncan, Henry D. Jacobs Jr., (803) 439-6666, ext. 220.

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WOBURN, MA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - First Woburn Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: WOBS) today reported a net loss of $17,454,000 or $5.44 per share for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989, the company reported a net loss of $10,634,000 or $2.94 share.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, the company reported a net loss of $10,431,000 or $3.26 per share, as compared to a net loss of $9,128,000 or $2.68 per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

For the year ended June 30, 1990, First Woburn's provision for possible loan losses was $7,360,000, as compared to $8,467,000 for the year ended June 30, 1989. The company's allowance for loan losses was $4,007,000 at June 30, 1990, compared to $5,533,000 at June 30, 1989.

In fiscal 1990, losses on other real estate owned totalled $6,722,000, as compared to losses on real estate developed and other real estate owned which totalled $4,817,000 in fiscal 1989.

First Woburn's non-performing assets totalled $38,442,000, at June 30, 1990, as compared with $37,259,000 for the previous year. In addition, the company has stopped capitalization of interest on two of its loans

totalling $6,234,000, which are classified as joint ventures.

According to Frank J. Porcaro, President & Chief Executive Officer of First Woburn, "The Company's performance continues to be greatly impacted by non-performing assets and the sustained effects of the New New England economy."

Mr. Porcaro continued, "We will continue our efforts to downsize the company, through staff and operating expense reductions and a reduction of total assets. However, unitl there is a significant improvement in the regional real estate market, it is impossible to foresee a substantive return to profitability."

The company's total assets decreased by 8.58 percent to $288,579,000 at June 30, 1990. The net loan portfolio was $188,439,000 at June 30, 1990, representing a 9.61% decrease from the previous year. At June 30, 1990, First Woburn's deposits were $244,514,000, an increase of $4,839,000 from the previous year.

Stockholders' equity at June 30, 1990 amounted to $13,482,000, representing 4.67% of assets. Stockholders' equity declined from $34,172,000 at June 30, 1989 primarily due to the company's net loss for the year of $17,454,000 and the increase in the net unrealized loss on marketable equity securities of $2,937,000.

CONTACT: First Woburn Bancorp, Inc., Woburn, Sally M. Eastman, (617) 933-0040.

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WESTBOROUGH, MA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - A survey of IBM Business Partners reveals faster growth in sales of Unix systems than some analysts had earlier predicted, as well as widespread acceptance of PC-based Local Area Networks (LANs).

Fully two-thirds of those responding plan to be involved in PC or LAN sales this year, and 53 percent said they intend to sell the RS/6000, IBM's new high-end Unix workstation.

These were among the results of research commissioned by The IBM Business Partner, an independent monthly newsletter from Sentry Publishing Co. The results appear in the current issue, and a complete report will be available in the fourth quarter. The Sentry survey is the first formal research of Business Partner marketing patterns.

The IBM Business Partner is aimed at the approximately 3,500 independent firms which develop software or add-on hardware for IBM's mid-range

computer systems.

The apparent success of the RS/6000 Unix system follows an earlier failure the PC/RT, according to Edward J. Bride, vice president and editorial director of Sentry Publishing Co. "This time IBM did its homework far in advance," he said.

"By the time of introduction there were more than 350 software products immediately available or coming shortly. IBM recognizes that it takes software to sell hardware. Its Business Partners program is evidence of that belief; IBM is learning to use the program well."

Bride estimated that IBM Business Partners are involved with sales that account for about 50 percent of IBM's total mid-range system revenues. "Clearly the system is working, both for the Business Partners and for IBM " said Bride.

"Our research indicates that most Business Partners want to expand the number of hardware platforms they support and the number of specific relationship arrangements they have with IBM."

The IBM Business Partner is a monthly newletter available by subscription at $297 per year. Additional information is available from Sentry Publishing Co. Inc., 1900 West Park Dr., Westborough, MA 01581, (508) 366-2031 or fax (508) 366-8104.

CONTACT: Sentry Publishing Co., Westborough, Ed Bride, (508) 366-2031.

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#90240b0837 08/28/1990 ~Business Wire
JACKSON, MISS. (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Officials of Bank of Mississippi (NASDAQ/NMS:BOMS) and United Mississippi Bank announced Tuesday that agreement has been reached for Bank of Mississippi to purchase the Clinton and Jackson offices of United Mississippi Bank.

United Mississippi Bank has two locations in the Jackson metrolitan area, one on McDowell Road in southwest Jackson and one on Highway 80 in Clinton.

Bank of Mississippi President and Chief Executive Officer Aubrey B. Patterson Jr., said ''we are pleased to be expanding our presence in the Jackson metropolitan area. We already have nine locations in the area, and from a service standpoint this will be added convenience for all of our customers citywide.

''Our new customers in Clinton and at the McDowell Road office of United Mississippi Bank will enjoy additional credit and deposit services and the convenince of MPACT automatic teller machines.''

United Mississippi Bank President and Chief Executive Officer James Biglane said ''with our headquarters in Natchez, we decided to concentrate our service area in Southwest Mississippi. In selling these offices we wanted to ensure our customers had the best banking services possible, and we think Bank of Mississippi's approach to customer service is quite compatible.''

Bank of Mississippi is Mississippi's fourth largest bank with assets of more than $1.5 billion. The 114 year old bank is headquartered in Tupelo and currently has 73 offices in 37 cities from Tennessee to the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

CONTACT: Bank of Mississippi, Tupelo, Miss.
Harry R. Baxter, 601/680-2410

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#90240b0838 08/28/1990 ~Business Wire
HOUSTON (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - American Exploration Company (AMEX: AX) Tuesday announced the closing of APPL-VIII, an institutional investment program to purchase producing oil and gas properties.

Investors in APPL-VIII include General Electric Pension Trust, IBM Retirement Plan Trust, New York Life Insurance Company, Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, UNUM Life Insurance Company, Principal Mutual Life Insurance Company and a subsidiary of Iowa-Illinois Gas and Electric Company.

A total of $135 million was committed to the program. The funds were invested in producing oil and gas properties previously acquired by American Exploration Company.

American Exploration purchases and operates producing oil and gas properties primarily in Texas, New Mexico and the Mid-Continent regions for its account and on behalf of institutional and other investors.

CONTACT: American Exploratin Co., New York, Kenneth J. Huffman, (212) 230-0344 or Ron Long, (713) 220-8248 (in Houston).

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#90240b0849 08/28/1990 ~Business Wire
LITTLE ROCK, ARK. (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The U.S. Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals Tuesday issued an opinion upholding the right of the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC) to override Arkansas state bank branching laws in connection with the proposed sale of certain assets and liabilities of Independence Federal Bank, FSB (Independence) to Worthen Bank & Trust Co.,

N.A. (ASE:WOR)

The opinion reverses the ruling of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas entered on July 9, 1990, holding that the RTC did not have authority to override Arkansas state bank branching laws. Worthen expects that the ruling will permit it to acquire Independence from the RTC within the next several weeks.

On June 21, 1990, Worthen Bank submitted a winning bid of $1.5 million for the acquisition of Independence, which includes approximately $324 million in deposits. The acquisition, once consummated, would give Worthen Bank total assets of approximately $942 million and Worthen Banking Corp. total assets off approximately $2.1 billion.

Curt Bradbury, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Worthen Banking Corp., said, ''We are strongly committed to assisting in the resolution of the S&L crisis in Arkansas and consider our opportunity to purchase Independence to be a beneficial stablizing force for the financial services segment of our economy.

''We consider today's ruling to be a significant victory for the taxpayers of the United States. I have spoken repeatedly of the integral relationship of our banks to the economic development of the communities we serve. When any Arkansas financial institution is in an unstable or uncertain position it affects not only their customers, but the entire economic structure of a community or state.

''We are excited that the Eighth Circuit Court has ruled that the RTC does have the authority to override state banking restrictions. We view this decision as a positive step in moving Arkansas' banking industry into the 90's in a way that allows us to keep pace with and be part of the growth as it occurs throughout our state.

The building of productive capacity in banking is as important for the future of the state of Arkansas as is the development of its other industries. We at Worthen are excited about the prospect of working with the RTC toward an orderly transfer of certain assets and deposit liabilities from Independence to Worthen and about the prospect of having the opportunity to serve over 20,000 new individual customers and several new market areas within the State of Arkansas.''

CONTACT: Worthen Banking Corp., Little Rock
Patrick O'Sullivan, 501/378-1203

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TAMPA, FL (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Larry's Ice Cream Inc. (LARY) and

Roger Kumar, chief executive officer, announced Tuesday that they are seeking outside parties to invest in and/or take control of the company.

Kumar is the co-trustee of the Roger Kumar Trust which has controlling interest in the company. This decision was reached by the board of directors due principally to the continued inability of management to obtain a firm delivery date for the manufacture of the company's yogurt machine.

The company also announced that it had been served on a suit brought by the landlord of the Larry's Ice Cream plant and corporate offices. The suit seeks to have the company evicted within five (5) days. The company plans to defend this action.

CONTACT: Larry's Ice Cream Inc., Tampa
Michael Kestler
or Roger Kumar Jr., 813/855-0481

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 28) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Stotler Group has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol SG. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 28) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Bolmar Pharmaceuticals Co. Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol BLR. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, CITICORP VENTURE CAPITAL LTD, DIR. OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: AX), SOLD 301,150 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 318,602.

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FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 20, 1990, J.E. BENSON, PRES. OF OLD SECOND BANCORP. BOUGHT

1,000 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,384.

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FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 29, 1990, J.H. STONE, DIR. OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. BOUGHT 14,566,987 SHARES AT $0.11 PER SHARE.

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#90240c0008 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, G. FELS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP INC. (MASSACHUSETTS) SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,517.

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#90240c0009 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, G. FELS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP INC. (MASSACHUSETTS) SOLD 7,700 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,982.

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#90240c0010 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, S.M. PATEL, DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP INC. (MASSACHUSETTS) SOLD 7,700 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,095.

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#90240c0011 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 2, 1990, B.L. MOORE, BEN. OWNER OF GATEWAY SPORTING GOODS CO. (TICKER: GSGC) SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 215,300.

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#90240c0012 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, MALCOLM G MACNEILL, DIR. OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,832.

-30- 357
#90240c0013 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PETER B BEDFORD, DIR. OF BANKAMERICA CORP. (TICKER: BAC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,000.

-30- 313
#90240c0014 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LEONARD L DRURY, DIR. OF BUSINESSLAND INC. (TICKER: BLI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 309
#90240c0016 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, EDGAR R FIEDLER, DIR. OF BRAZIL FUND INC. (TICKER: BZF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,744.

-30- 308
#90240c0017 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, AGWAY HOLDINGS INC, BEN. OWNER OF CURTICE-BURNS FOODS INC. (TICKER: CBI), BOUGHT 7,214 SHARES AT $18.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 221,578.

-30- 343
#90240c0018 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT J DEAN, OFFICER OF COMMERCE GROUP CORP. (TICKER: CGCO), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,465.

-30- 312
#90240c0019 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WARREN J BRULE, PRES. OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,335.

-30- 319
#90240c0020 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HAROLD D SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF DYNASCAN CORP. (TICKER: DYNA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,204.

-30- 310
#90240c0021 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JUDY K SHIELDS, OFFICER OF ENCLEAN INC. (TICKER: ENCL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,900.

-30- 304
#90240c0022 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, J DOUGLAS BERRY, DIR. OF FIRST HARRISBURG BANCOR INC. (TICKER: FFHP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,200.

-30- 327
#90240c0024 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE G DALTON, CHAIRMAN OF FISERV INC. (TICKER: FISV), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90240c0025 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, GEORGE G DALTON, CHAIRMAN OF FISERV INC. (TICKER: FISV), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,488.

-30- 308
#90240c0026 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE G DALTON, CHAIRMAN OF FISERV INC. (TICKER: FISV), SOLD 712 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90240c0027 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, LESLIE M MUMA, PRES. OF FISERV INC. (TICKER: FISV), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 113,372.

-30- 299
#90240c0028 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, LESLIE M MUMA, PRES. OF FISERV INC. (TICKER: FISV), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90240c0029 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ROGER B PARSONS, PRES. OF FEDERAL SIGNAL CORP. (TICKER: FSS), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,226.

-30- 313
#90240c0030 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, DONALD F GOEBERT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMCO NATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GNL), BOUGHT 35,600 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90240c0032 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RAY J HILLENBRAND, DIR. OF HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HB), SOLD 46,753 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 170,000.

-30- 327
#90240c0033 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, WILLIAM G DAVIDSON, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 168,100.

-30- 317
#90240c0034 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 04, 1990, CHARLES J DOLEZAL, PRES. OF NATIONAL BANCSHARES CORP. OF TEXAS (TICKER: NBCT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 945.

-30- 338
#90240c0035 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, FRANK J SEIFREID, DIR. OF NATIONAL BANCSHARES CORP. OF TEXAS (TICKER: NBCT), BOUGHT 133 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,171.

-30- 338
#90240c0036 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1990, STANLEY J BRIGHT, PRES. OF IOWA-ILLINOIS GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: IWG), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $20.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90240c0037 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, M LEANNE LACHMAN, DIR. OF LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP. (IN) (TICKER: LNC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 320
#90240c0038 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 05, 1990, CHARLES F HUBER, DIR. OF MERRIMAC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MRM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90240c0040 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 24, 1990, CHARLES F HUBER, DIR. OF MERRIMAC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MRM), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90240c0041 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 25, 1990, CHARLES F HUBER, DIR. OF MERRIMAC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MRM), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90240c0042 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 01, 1990, CHARLES F HUBER, DIR. OF MERRIMAC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MRM), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90240c0043 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 07, 1990, CHARLES F HUBER, DIR. OF MERRIMAC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MRM), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 313
#90240c0044 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, PHILIP D QUEDENFELD, DIR. OF MESA MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: MSMD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90240c0045 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, PHILIP D QUEDENFELD, DIR. OF MESA MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: MSMD), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90240c0046 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, PHILIP D QUEDENFELD, DIR. OF MESA MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: MSMD), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $1.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90240c0048 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, PHILIP D QUEDENFELD, DIR. OF MESA MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: MSMD), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90240c0049 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, PHILIP D QUEDENFELD, DIR. OF MESA MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: MSMD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90240c0050 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:00 that trade in Great American Management & Investors Inc. (NASDAQ: GAMI) has been resumed. The first sale was 23; down 1 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 393
#90240c0051 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, PHILIP D QUEDENFELD, DIR. OF MESA MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: MSMD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90240c0052 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, PHILIP D QUEDENFELD, DIR. OF MESA MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: MSMD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90240c0053 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, PHILIP D QUEDENFELD, DIR. OF MESA MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: MSMD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90240c0054 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, PHILIP D QUEDENFELD, DIR. OF MESA MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: MSMD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90240c0056 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, PHILIP D QUEDENFELD, DIR. OF MESA MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: MSMD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90240c0057 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PHILIP D QUEDENFELD, DIR. OF MESA MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: MSMD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90240c0058 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PHILIP D QUEDENFELD, DIR. OF MESA MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: MSMD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 262,012.

-30- 318
#90240c0059 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JAMES K OVERSTREET, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL PENN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: NPBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $39.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90240c0060 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JAMES K OVERSTREET, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL PENN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: NPBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 304,040.

-30- 354
#90240c0061 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RANDY B BLAUSTEIN, DIR. OF NAPCO SECURITY SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NSSC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 336
#90240c0062 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JAMES C CHAPMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90240c0064 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT D RANDOLPH, VP OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,400.

-30- 315
#90240c0065 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, W D MACCALLAN, CHAIRMAN OF PETROLEUM & RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: PEO), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 743.

-30- 330
#90240c0066 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CLARENCE G VATNE, SHAREHOLDER OF PHP HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: PHPH), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 326
#90240c0067 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1990, PETER R PETERSON, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PATTERN PROCESSING TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: PPRO), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $1.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90240c0068 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, PETER R PETERSON, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PATTERN PROCESSING TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: PPRO), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,556.

-30- 386
#90240c0069 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, BENJAMIN RUSSELL, DIR. OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML), SOLD 6,100 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90240c0070 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, BENJAMIN RUSSELL, DIR. OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML), SOLD 25,700 SHARES AT $28.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90240c0072 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, BENJAMIN RUSSELL, DIR. OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90240c0073 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, BENJAMIN RUSSELL, DIR. OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML), SOLD 36,200 SHARES AT $28.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90240c0074 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, BENJAMIN RUSSELL, DIR. OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML), SOLD 3,400 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90240c0075 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, BENJAMIN RUSSELL, DIR. OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML), SOLD 15,200 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90240c0076 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, BENJAMIN RUSSELL, DIR. OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90240c0077 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, HAMPTON G KAMINER, DIR. OF THE SEIBELS BRUCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: SBIG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,256.

-30- 329
#90240c0078 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90240c0080 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90240c0081 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90240c0082 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 26,600 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 349,958.

-30- 340
#90240c0083 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLIAM K CARTER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: SCOT), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 376
#90240c0084 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, KIM A KRIEG, CHAIRMAN OF SEA GALLEY STORES INC. (TICKER: SEAG), BOUGHT 24,300 SHARES AT $0.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,300.

-30- 325
#90240c0085 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, SCOTT GRIFFITH, VP OF A & W BRANDS INC. (TICKER: SODA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90240c0086 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MARCUS NEWBERRY, DIR. OF SPAN-AMERICA MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SPAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 343
#90240c0088 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, THOMAS L VENABLE, CHAIRMAN OF SPECTRUM CONTROL INC. (TICKER: SPEC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90240c0089 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, THOMAS L VENABLE, CHAIRMAN OF SPECTRUM CONTROL INC. (TICKER: SPEC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291

#90240c0090 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, THOMAS L VENABLE, CHAIRMAN OF SPECTRUM CONTROL INC. (TICKER: SPEC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90240c0091 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, THOMAS L VENABLE, CHAIRMAN OF SPECTRUM CONTROL INC. (TICKER: SPEC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $0.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90240c0092 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, THOMAS L VENABLE, CHAIRMAN OF SPECTRUM CONTROL INC. (TICKER: SPEC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $0.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 279,258.

-30- 329
#90240c0093 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, WILLIAM B BENACK, DIR. OF STATE BANCORP INC.(N.Y.) (TICKER: STBC), BOUGHT 275 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90240c0094 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, WILLIAM B BENACK, DIR. OF STATE BANCORP INC.(N.Y.) (TICKER: STBC), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90240c0096 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1990, RAY T CHARLEY, DIR. OF SOUTHWEST NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SWPA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,900.

-30- 315
#90240c0097 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, LUIS EGOZI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUAVE SHOE CORP. (TICKER: SWV), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90240c0098 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, LUIS EGOZI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUAVE SHOE CORP. (TICKER: SWV), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90240c0099 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, LUIS EGOZI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUAVE SHOE CORP. (TICKER: SWV), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,743.

-30- 322
#90240c0100 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, LUIS EGOZI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUAVE SHOE CORP. (TICKER: SWV), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90240c0101 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, LUIS EGOZI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUAVE SHOE CORP. (TICKER: SWV), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90240c0102 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, LUIS EGOZI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUAVE SHOE CORP. (TICKER: SWV), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90240c0104 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, LUIS EGOZI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUAVE SHOE CORP. (TICKER: SWV), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90240c0105 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, LUIS EGOZI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUAVE SHOE CORP. (TICKER: SWV), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90240c0106 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, LUIS EGOZI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUAVE SHOE CORP. (TICKER: SWV), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,743.

-30- 323
#90240c0107 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 02, 1987, MICHAEL D FRANKLIN, VP OF THE HAMMOND CO. (TICKER: THCO), BOUGHT 365 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 365.

-30- 300
#90240c0108 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 22, 1987, MICHAEL D FRANKLIN, VP OF THE HAMMOND CO. (TICKER: THCO), BOUGHT 570 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90240c0109 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 03, 1987, MICHAEL D FRANKLIN, VP OF THE HAMMOND CO. (TICKER: THCO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,070.

-30- 300
#90240c0111 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 14, 1990, LARRY G GERDES, DIR. OF TRICARE INC. (TICKER: TRCR), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,600.

-30- 301
#90240c0113 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RONALD D ORDWAY, OFFICER OF VIDEO DISPLAY CORP. (TICKER: VIDE), BOUGHT 8,900 SHARES AT $3.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90240c0114 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RONALD D ORDWAY, OFFICER OF VIDEO DISPLAY CORP. (TICKER: VIDE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90240c0115 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RONALD D ORDWAY, OFFICER OF VIDEO DISPLAY CORP. (TICKER: VIDE), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $3.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90240c0116 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RONALD D ORDWAY, OFFICER OF VIDEO DISPLAY CORP. (TICKER: VIDE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90240c0117 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RONALD D ORDWAY, OFFICER OF VIDEO DISPLAY CORP. (TICKER: VIDE), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $3.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90240c0118 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RONALD D ORDWAY, OFFICER OF VIDEO DISPLAY CORP. (TICKER: VIDE), BOUGHT 42,100 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90240c0119 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RONALD D ORDWAY, OFFICER OF VIDEO DISPLAY CORP. (TICKER: VIDE), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,630,844.

-30- 322
#90240c0121 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, STEVEN C MENDELL, CHAIRMAN OF XOMA CORP. (TICKER: XOMA), SOLD 10,281 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90240c0122 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, STEVEN C MENDELL, CHAIRMAN OF XOMA CORP. (TICKER: XOMA), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,000.

-30- 305
#90240c0123 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:05 that trade in First Chattanooga Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: FCHT) has been resumed. The first sale was 11 1/2; down 2 3/4 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 385
#90240c0125 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:20 that trade in XL-Datacomp Inc.(NASDAQ: XLDC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 10 5/8. The company is located in Hinsdale, IL.

-30- 337
#90240c0127 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:20 that trade in In-Store Advertising Inc.(NASDAQ: ISAN) has been halted for the dissemination of news. The last sale was 14 3/4.

-30- 332
#90240c0128 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:55 that trade in In-Store Advertising Inc. (NASDAQ: ISAN) has been resumed. The first sale was 9 1/4; down 5 1/2 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 368
#90240c0129 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:21 that trade in XL/Datacomp Inc. (NASDAQ: XLDC) has been resumed. The first sale was 10; down 5/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 344
#90240c0131 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 27:

American Film Technologies Inc. - Units (AFTIU); Insufficient number of active market makers

American Network Group Inc. - WI (AMNTW); Insufficient number of active market makers

Armada Corp. (AMDA); Insufficient number of active market makers

Keller Industries Ltd. - WI (KLLWF); Insufficient number of active market makers

People's Savings Bank of Troy (PESV); Insufficient number of active market makers

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 24:

Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream Inc. - 6 1/2% Conv. Db., Due 2011 (DRYRG); Called for redemption 8/31/90

-30- 836

#90240c0132 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/ or symbol changes effective Aug. 28:

Berger Holdings Ltd. - WI (BRGRV) to (BRGR)
Cordero Industries Inc. (CCCDE) to (CCCIE)
Explosive Fabricators Inc. (BOOM) to (BOOMD) 1 for 5 rev. split
Immucell Corp. (ICCCD) to (ICCC)
Western Acceptance Corp. (WACOD) to (WACO)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Aug. 24:

Syntech International Inc. (SYNQE) to (SYNEQ)
Tescorp Inc. Conv. Pfd. Stock (TESPC) to (TSCPC)
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#90240c0133 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 24:

Fischer-Watt Gold Company Inc. (FWGO)

-30- 261

#90240c0134 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 27:

American Film Technologies Inc. - Units (AFTIU); Insufficient number of active market makers

American Network Group Inc. - WI (AMNTW); Insufficient number of active market makers

Armada Corp. (AMDA); Insufficient number of active market makers

Keller Industries Ltd. - WI (KLLWF); Insufficient number of active market makers

People's Savings Bank of Troy (PESV); Insufficient number of active market makers

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-30- 836
#90240c0135 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/ or symbol changes effective Aug. 28:

Berger Holdings Ltd. - WI (BRGRV) to (BRGR)
Cordero Industries Inc. (CCCDE) to (CCCIE)
Explosive Fabricators Inc. (BOOM) to (BOOMD) 1 for 5 rev. split
Immucell Corp. (ICCCD) to (ICCC)
Western Acceptance Corp. (WACOD) to (WACO)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Aug. 24:

Syntech International Inc. (SYNQE) to (SYNEQ)
Tescorp Inc. Conv. Pfd. Stock (TESPC) to (TSCPC)

-30- 648
#90240c0140 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

M. SCHLOSS & CO INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 558,200 SHARES (7.60%) OF WHITTAKER CORPORATION (TICKER: WKR) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On April 12, 1990 M. Schloss & Co. was sentenced in connection with the two counts on which it was convicted and fined $480,750.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between March 6, 1990 and Aug. 24, 1990 M. Schloss & Co. purchased 75,000 common shares at $8 to $11.13 per share.

-30- 614
#90240c0141 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY P. TSAKOS OWNS 338,700 SHARES (11.29%) OF GLOBAL OCEAN CARRIERS LTD (TICKER: GLO) OF PIRAEUS, GREECE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 22 and Aug. 23, 1990 P. Tsakos purchased 33,700 common shares for a total purchase price of $184,775.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 499
#90240c0143 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FINANCIAL ASSOCIATES OWNS 540,000 SHARES (7.96%) OF U T MEDICAL MANUFACTURING INC (TICKER: D.UMY) OF PALM BEACH GARDENS, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 19, 1990 CreaTech Corp. merged with and into UT Medical Manufacturing Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of UT Medical Manufacturing Inc., pursuant to a merger agreement dated July 6, 1990. Each common share of CreaTech was converted into 6 common shares of UT Medical Manufacturing Inc. and an option to purchase up to three common shares of the issuer at $1 per share over a 4 year period.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 777
#90240c0144 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY BLACK & CO OWNS 80,410 SHARES (3.60%) OF ARRHYTHMIA RESEARCH TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: D.ALN) OF AUSTIN, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Black & Co. ceased to own more than 5 percent of Arrhythmia Research Technology Inc.'s common stock on Apr. 4, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between April 4, 1990 and June 29, 1990 Black & Co. have sold 55,500 common shares at $1.88 to $2 per share.

-30- 609
#90240c0145 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

MITCHELL CORP OF OWOSSO, MI OWNS 522,174 SHARES (17.66%) OF NEWCOR INC (TICKER: NEW) OF TROY, MI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On June 5, 1990 Mitchell Corp. of Owosso received 47,469 common shares through an Newcor Inc. stock dividend.

-30- 430
#90240c0146 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J. FARBER OWNS 184,470 SHARES (15.00%) OF FORTUNE PETROLEUM (TICKER: FPEX) OF AGOURA HILLS, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J. Farber has filed the instruction form for form 13D.

-30- 374
#90240c0147 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

G. PLESHAR OWNS 133,900 SHARES (6.90%) OF COMPUMAT INC (TICKER: CPT) OF OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 21, 1990 G. Pleshar granted an option to purchase 132,400 of his common shares of Compumat Inc. to JWP Sub Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of JWP Inc., in connection with the proposed acquisition by Sub of all of the outstanding common shares of Compumat Inc. at $3.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 629
#90240c0148 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

W.R. POWER TRUSTEE PSPT OWNS 786,600 SHARES (40.40%) OF COMPUMAT INC (TICKER: CPT) OF OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 21, 1990 W.R. Power Trustee PSPT granted an option to purchase 777,600 of his common shares of Compumat Inc. to JWP Sub Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of JWP Inc., in connection with the proposed acquisition by Sub of all of the outstanding common shares of Compumat Inc. at $3.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 670
#90240c0149 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY L.M. ROSS OWNS 1,687,858 SHARES (13.90%) OF HOTEL INVESTORS

CORP & TRUST (TICKER: HOT) OF WOODLAND HILLS, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

L.M. Ross believe that current management of Hotel Investors Corp.& Trust has failed to operate Hotel Investors Corp. & Trust in a manner which maximizes shareholder value and that the issuer has been managed in an inefficient, imprudent and wasteful manner. In connection L.M. Ross intend to nominate slates for election as directors and trustees of Hotel Investors Corp. & Trust and to propose the repeal of the recent amendments to the bylaws and regulations of Hotel Investors Corp. & Trust which restrict shareholders' abilities to make proposals and nominate opposition candidates. An affiliate of Mr. Ross offered to acquire the hotel and gaming properties which are not included in the asset sale. Management of Hotel Investors Corp. & Trust has declined to negotiate with Ross.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between May 31, 1990 and Aug. 21, 1990 L.M. Ross have purchased 116,000 common shares at $2.75 to $3.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Nomination of slates for election as directors and trustees.

-30- 1374
#90240c0151 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

BGC SPECIAL EQUITY LP OWNS 247,896 CLASS A SHARES (17.30%) OF KENTUCKY MEDICAL INSURANCE CO (TICKER: KYMD) OF LOUISVILLE, KY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The class A common stock of Kentucky Medical Insurance Co. has only limited voting rights and holders thereof can elect only three of twelve directors.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 12, 1990 and Aug. 13, 1990, BGC Special Equity LP purchased 247,896 class A common stock at a price of $17.13 to $22.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 706
#90240c0152 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND L P OWNS 454,700 SHARES (13.40%) OF WHITEHALL CORP (TICKER: WHT) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 6 and 23, 1990, Cambridge Capital Fund LP purchased 38,700 shares at a price of $11.50 to $12.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 516
#90240c0153 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWNS 2,213,778 SHARES (10.40%) OF TRITON ENERGY CORP (TICKER: OIL) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As the result of a meeting on Aug. 21, 1990 between representatives of IEP and Triton Energy Corp.'s chairman of the board and general counsel, IEP supports Triton Energy Corp.'s recent initiatives to restructure Triton Energy Corp in the interest of the shareholders and it is in favor of Triton Energy Corp.'s plan to sell off mature, non strategic assets and for Triton Energy Corp. to revert to its core business as an oil and gas exploration operation; IEP encourages Triton Energy Corp. to dispose of three subsidiaries, Triton Europe, Crusader and Triton Canada Resources.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 13 and 21, 1990, Industrial Equity Pacific LTD sold 110,000 shares at a price of $12.47 to $12.51 per share, or an aggregate consideration of $3,929,739.

PURPOSE:

Aug. 21, 1990 meeting of IEP representatives with Triton Energy Corp.'s chairman of the board and Triton Energy Corp.'s general counsel.

-30- 1310
#90240c0154 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 28

GROUP LED BY ARGUS ENERGY LP OF STAMFORD, CT OWNS 7,913,548 SHARES (33.27%) OF TOSCO CORP (TICKER: TOS) OF SANTA MONICA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As of Aug. 10, 1990, Argus Energy LP entered into an agreement with Tosco Corp. which states that contingent upon Tosco Corp.'s calling the preferred stock for redemption on or before Aug.7, 1990 and no later than Sept. 1, 1990, Argus Energy LP will surrender their $2.375 series E convertible shares for conversion into common stock. On June 15, 1990, Argus converted $4,380,000 in 4 percent convertible senior subordinated notes of Tosco Corp. into 249,240 common shares at $20 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On May 4, 1990, Argus Energy LP purchased 4,500 shares of series E preferred stock at an aggregate purchase price of $205,065.

-30- 993
#90240c0155 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

D.A. ROCKER OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 324,900 SHARES (6.30%) OF DATASCOPE CORP (TICKER: DSCP) OF MONTVALE, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 7 and 16, 1990, D.A. Rocker purchased 61,000 shares at a price of $19.56 to $25.09 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of sales.

-30- 474
#90240c0156 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

D.C. ANDREWS OWNS 489,000 SHARES (18.60%) OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP (TICKER: BOST) OF MILFORD, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 22, 199 and Aug.22, 1990, D.C. Andrews purchased 185,700 shares for an aggregate purchase price of $439,012.

PURPOSE:

Investment

-30- 477
#90240c0157 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

M.D. MILLER OWNS 4,753,000 SHARES (69.00%) OF ENERCON DATA CORP (TICKER: ENDC) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M.D. Miller has made seven unsecured loans to Enercon Data Corp. totalling $495,000 which are evidenced by demand promissory notes providing that the indebtedness is convertible to common stock at a conversion price of $.25 per share. M.D. Miller has entered into a recapitalization agreement, dated July 25, 1990, and an assignment dated Aug. 1, 1990 with Charles W. Oswald, a former director of Enercon Data Corp.

-30- 738
#90240c0159 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 24, 1990, the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas denied Kansas Gas & Electric (TICKER: KGE)'s motion to assess its costs in connection with the unsolicited tender offer to the bidder. The Kansas Commission also directed all intervenors in the proceeding to submit proposed procedural schedules by Aug. 29, 1990.

-30- 570
#90240c0163 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

D.R. VONFELDT OWNS 492,226 SHARES (6.57%) OF ALEXANDER ENERGY CORP (TICKER: AEOK) OF OKLAHOMA CITY, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares consist of 488,976 shares owned directly and 3,250 shares owned by the wife's individual retirement account.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 2 and 3, 1990, D.R. Vonfeldt acquired 87,000 shares and 5,000 shares, respectively, of Alexander Energy Corp.'s common stock at $1.375 per share in an open market purchase.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 706
#90240c0164 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC OF MILWAUKEE, WI OWNS 2,490,200 SHARES (14.00%) OF MEASUREX CORP (TICKER: MX) OF CUPERTINO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Harnischfeger Industries Inc. may determine to purchase or dispose of additional shares voting securities to the extent permitted by the affiliation agreement.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 20 and 24, 1990, Harnischfeger Industries Inc. purchased 241,900 shares at a price of $16.88 to $18 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares.

-30- 707
#90240c0165 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 701,153 SHARES (16.15%) OF COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: CSII).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 29, 1990 and Aug. 23, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 210,468 shares at a price of $5.02 to $10.38 per share and sold 173,793 shares at a price of $10.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 584
#90240c0166 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result of the above sale, Harbor Acquisition Inc. does not own any shares of TM Communications Inc. (TICKER: TMCI) common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 31, 1990, Harbor sold 2,000,000 shares of common stock for an aggregate price of $450,000 pursuant to a stock purchase and sale agreement, dated July 31, 1990 by and among David J. Blythe, Harbor and James T. Taylor.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 651
#90240c0167 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

W.J. NASGOVITZ OWNS 167,919 SHARES (9.30%) OF REXWORKS INC (TICKER: REXW) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 17, 1990 and Aug. 16, 1990, Rexworks Inc. purchased 53,167 shares at a price of $3.70 to $3.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 465
#90240c0168 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

HELM RESOURCES INC OF GREENWICH, CT OWNS 2,169,716 SHARES (71.20%) OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC OF HOUSTON, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 6 and 23, 1990, Helm Resources Inc. purchased 208,578 shares

at a price of $1.38 to $1.56 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 480
#90240c0170 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

SORRENTO HOLDINGS INC OWNS 10,000,000 SHARES (91.00%) OF CORDERO INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: CCCDE) OF SAN DIEGO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Sorrento Holdings Inc. and its affiliates intend to cause Cordero Ind. Inc. to acquire the assets of Danbus Magnetic Systems Inc., a California corporation, traded on the Vancouver Stock Exchange. Sorrento Holdings intends to cause Cordero Ind. Inc. to conduct a private placement to a limited number of accredited investors to raise funds to support the initial business operations of Cordero Ind. Inc.'s subsidiaries.

PURPOSE:

The acquisition of assets.

-30- 817
#90240c0171 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CASCADE INTERNATIONAL INC OWNS 4,841,467 SHARES (63.70%) OF CONSTON CORP (TICKER: KCS) OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On June 22, 1990, Conston Corp. and its subsidiaries filed voluntary petitions under chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code in the U.S. Bankruptcy court for the eastern district of Pennsylvania, File No. 90-12570 et seq. They have continued in possession and management of their business as debtors-in- possession. Under Rule 14f-1, Conston Corp. has files a notice of changes with the SEC.

PURPOSE:

To take control of the operations and management of Conston Corp.

-30- 807
#90240c0172 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

C. ARONSON OWNS 1,337,111 SHARES (23.00%) OF AMERICAN SPORTS ADVISORS INC (TICKER: PIKS).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Jan. 5, 1990, C. Aronson purchased 471,111 shares from Royce Kanofsky and Robert Nathanson, former principal shareholders of American Sports Advisors Inc., for $23,712. This was part of a purchase of an aggregate of 2,929,000 shares by Charles Aronson, Justin Regan, Norman Dubin and Great American Pastime Inc. for $147,425. On Jan. 8, 1990, American Sports Advisors Inc. shares underwent a one for ten reverse split, with C. Aronson being issued 47,111 shares. On Jan. 26, 1990, Great American Pastime was acquired by American Sports Advisors Inc. through an exchange of shares, with C. Aronson receiving 1,290,000 post split shares in exchange for his 30 percent stake in GAP.

PURPOSE:

Change on control.

-30- 1048
#90240c0173 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

N. DUBIN OWNS 47,112 SHARES (8.00%) OF AMERICAN SPORTS ADVISORS INC (TICKER: PIKS).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Jan. 5, 1990, N. Dubin purchased 471,111 shares from Royce Kanofsky and Robert Nathanson, former principal shareholders of American Sports Advisors Inc., for $23,712. This was part of a purchase of an aggregate of 2,929,000 shares by Charles Aronson, Justin Regan, Norman Dubin and Great American Pastime Inc. for $147,425. On Jan. 8, 1990, American Sports Advisor Inc.'s

shares underwent a one for ten reverse split, with N. Dubin being issued 47,111 shares. On Jan. 26, 1990, Great American Pastime was acquired by American Sports Advisors Inc. through an exchange of shares.

PURPOSE:

Change on control.

-30- 940
#90240c0174 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

E. DUBIN OWNS 989,000 SHARES (17.00%) OF AMERICAN SPORTS ADVISORS INC (TICKER: PIKS).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Affiliates of E. Dubin purchased aggregate of 2,929,000 shares by Charles Aronson, Justin Regan, Norman Dubin and Great American Pastime Inc. for $147,425. On Jan. 8, 1990, American Sports Advisors Inc.'s shares underwent a one for ten reverse split. On Jan. 26, 1990, Great American Pastime was acquired by American Sports Advisors Inc. through an exchange of shares, with E. Dubin receiving 989,000 post split shares in exchange for his 23 percent stake in GAP.

PURPOSE:

Change on control.

-30- 822
#90240c0175 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

WR GRACE & CO OWNS 2,236,420 SHARES (39.23%) OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CORP (TICKER: CANO) OF PORTER, IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The previously reported purchase of 5,000 shares on Aug. 6, 1990 should by Aug. 7, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

WR Grace & Co. purchased 103,500 shares from Aug. 14-24, 1990 at $9.75 to $11.25 per share.

-30- 551
#90240c0176 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY ACADEMY MAGERCO INC OWNS 40,386,833 SHARES (55.60%) OF ACADEMY INSUR GROUP INC (TICKER: ACIG) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 2, 1990, Mergerco delivered a proposal to Academy Insurance Group Inc. which contemplated a merger transaction in which all of the stockholders of Academy Insurance Group Inc. would receive cash for their shares. The proposal expired on Aug. 15, 1990 without being acted upon, but Mergerco has advised the special committee that it continues to be willing to negotiate for the acquisition of the balance of the outstanding shares at a price approximating book value.

PURPOSE:

Merger Transaction.

-30- 874
#90240c0178 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 154,200 CLASS B SHARES (10.70%) OF THREE D DEPARTMENTS INC (TICKER: TDD) OF COSTA MESA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Together, Three D Departments and the Kelso investors own 331,500 shares, or 23 percent of Three D Departments's common stock.

-30- 491
#90240c0179 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY KUWAM CORP OF WASHINGTON, D.C. OWNS 355,500 SHARES (16.00%) OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP (TICKER: PRZ) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Kuwam Corp. purchased 21,000 shares from June 5-17, 1990 for $2.75 to $3.50 per share and sold 5,000 shares on June 5, 1990 for $3 per share.

-30- 509
#90240c0180 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 28) COMTEX - Knoxville, Tenn.-based Blue Diamond Coal Co. (TICKER: BLDC) has agreed to sell its Scotia Mines in Wise County, Va. and Letcher County, Ky., plus certain leasehold properties in Pike County, Ky., to Arch Mineral Corp. and its affiliates of St. Louis, for $30 million and the assumption of $10 million in liabilities, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 27, 1990

-30- 642
#90240c0181 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 28) COMTEX - Glens Falls, N.Y.-based Arrow Financial Corp. (TICKER: AROW) has acquired United Vermont Bancorp. in a stock-swap merger, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 27, 1990

-30- 435
#90240c0182 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - Service Fracturing Co.(TICKER: SERF), the Pampa, Texas, oil and gas-well fracturing company, raised $10 million Aug. 20 with a private placement of $1.45 million common shares.

Net proceeds, about $9.5 million, will be used on the stimulation of 100 company-owned wells ($2.2 million), and to drill five horizontal wells ($2.5 million).

The remainder will be used to refurbish oil pumps, buy five computer-controlled blending machines, open a new operating district, and buy 30 new tractors and auxiliary equipment, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Aug. 27, 1990.

-30- 869

#90240c0183 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - Bancorp Alameda, Calif.-based Northern California Community Bancorp.(TICKER: NCCB) has agreed to merge with Mission Valley Bancorp. of Pleasanton, Calif., in a stock swap, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The merger will create a banking institution, to be called California Bancshares Inc., that has $775 million in assets.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 27, 1990

-30- 634

#90240c0184 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - First Illinois Corp.(TICKER: FTIL), an Evanston, Ill., bank-holding company, has acquired Valley Financial Services of South Elgin, Ill., in a stock swap, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 27, 1990

-30- 481

#90240c0186 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - A group led by New York investor Frederic H. Gould has received approval from the Federal Reserve Board to increase its stake in New York-based BFS Bankorp Inc.(TICKER: BFSI) to 24.9 percent.

Under an agreement signed with the Office of Thrift Supervision, Gould agreed not to seek more than one seat on BFS Bankorp Inc.'s board of directors, have a representative serve as chairman, head of an executive committee of the BFS board or the board of its wholly owned Bankers Federal Savings FSB unit, or serve as president or CEO of Bankers Federal, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on

Aug. 27, 1990.

-30- 892
#90240c0187 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - Plains Petroleum Corp.(TICKER: PLP), a Lakewood, Colo., oil and gas company, has agreed to acquire MacAdams, Roux and Associates Inc., a Denver energy company, in a stock swap valued at $7.9 million.

MacAdams, Roux owns interest in 17 oil wells, and has leased acreage of 3,199 acres in Wyoming and Colorado, as well as interests in 21,947 acres of undeveloped leases in Wyoming and Montana, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Aug. 27, 1990.

-30- 739
#90240c0188 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 23, 1990, the board of directors of Turner Broadcasting System Inc. (TICKER: TBS) declared a 3-for-1 split of its class A and class B common stock payable Sept. 4, 1990, to holders of record on Aug. 13, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 27, 1990, affiliates of Tele-Communications Inc. purchased 22,038 class C convertible preferred stock for $101.32 per share from Falcon Cable TV and on Aug. 8, 1990, affiliates of Tele-Communications Inc. purchased 150,000 class C shares from Lenfest Communications Inc. for $101.30 per share.

-30- 791
#90240c0190 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

LOEWS CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 7,369,553 SHARES (7.92%) OF CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL CORP (TICKER: CHA) OF STAMFORD, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 11, 1989 Loews filed a notification and report form under the HSR Act of 1976 with the Federal Trade Commission and the Antitrust Division of the Dept. of Justice stating its intention to acquire from time to time in the open market or otherwise, voting securities of Champion International Corp. which, when added to the shares then held by Loews, would exceed $15 million in aggregate value of such securities but not exceed 15 percent of such securities outstanding. The waiting period under the HSR Act was terminated on or about Dec. 27, 1989. Under the HSR Act, Loews may not acquire any additional voting securities of Champion International Corp. if, after any such acquisition, it would hold 15 percent or more of such outstanding voting securities unless a further notification and report form has been filed and the applicable waiting period has expired or been terminated.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Loews Corp. purchased 5,437,800 shares from June 25 to Aug. 23, 1990 for $26 to $30.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1403
#90240c0191 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The stake is indeterminable from the information given. On Aug. 2, 1990, Mergerco delivered a proposal to Academy Insurance Group Inc.(TICKER: ACIG) contemplating a merger transaction in which all of the shares of Academy Insurance Group Inc. other than certain shares owned by certain of the signatories to the combined 13-D, would be converted to the right to receive cash, which proposal expired by its terms on Aug. 15, 1990. On Aug. 15, 1990, Mergerco informed Academy Insurance Group Inc. that it was willing to negotiate for the acquisition of the acquisition shares at a price which approximates book value.

PURPOSE:

Contemplated merger transaction.

-30- 909
#90240c0192 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY JWP SUB INC OWNS 1,041,500 SHARES (53.40%) OF COMPUMAT INC (TICKER: CPT) OF OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Simultaneously with the execution of a merger agreement, Sub, certain directors and executive officers of the company (principal stockholders) entered into a stock option agreement pursuant to which the principal stockholders granted to Sub an irrevocable option to purchase the shares owned by them, at a price of $3.25 per share, at any time prior to the earlier to occur of Jan. 31, 1991 and a merger or business combination pursuant to which JWP or any affiliates of JWP acquire all of the shares at a cash price of not less than $3.25 per share. The principal stockholders agreed in the stock option agreement to vote any shares not tendered in the offer in favor of the merger. There can be no assurances as to consummation of the acquisition or purchase of any option shares. The merger agreement provides that the offer will be the first step in Sub's proposed acquisition of the entire equity interest in Compumat Inc. and Sub will continue as the surviving corporation.

PURPOSE:

Merger agreement

-30- 1357
#90240c0193 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY JWP SUB INC OWNS 1,041,500 SHARES (53.40%) OF COMPUMAT INC (TICKER: CPT) OF OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This statement relates to a tender offer by JWP Sub Inc., purchaser, and an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of JWP Inc., parent, to purchase all outstanding shares of common stock of Compumat Inc., company, at $3.25 per common share net to the seller in cash, subject to terms and conditions in the offer to purchase dated Aug. 21, 1990 and related letter of transmittal. The offer is made pursuant to an agreement and plan of merger dated as of Aug. 21, 1990, between the purchaser, parent and Compumat Inc.

PURPOSE:

Tender offer.

-30- 869
#90240c0196 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The board of Nasta International Inc.(TICKER: NAS) has not taken a position with respect to the $1 per share offer by TNI Inc., subsidiary of Tyco Toys Inc., because it is currently considering the offer and negotiating certain aspects of the offer.

-30- 475
#90240c0197 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In April, the Trust requested Rospatch Corp.'s (TICKER: RPCH) board to facilitate an independent new board and to hold a shareholders' meeting as soon as possible. Neil Diver, the managing director of Oakmont Corp., a corporation owned by a principal beneficiary of the Trust, has been nominated by the board for election as a director at the annual meeting to be held on Sept. 10, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 659
#90240c0198 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.F. ASTA OF 3050 ORLEANS RD, UNIT #63, MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO, OV, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,396 SHARES OF OFFICELAND INC. (TICKER: OFLD) THROUGH WOOD GUNDY CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 8, 1990.

(OFFICELAND INC. TEL: 416 736-4000)

-30- 408
#90240c0199 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.F. AGAVINO OF 3909 GALLOWS RD, ANNANDALE, VA 22003, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF BIONOMIC SCIENCES INTERNATIONAL THROUGH INVESTORS ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 21, 1990.

(BIONOMIC SCIENCES INTERNATIONAL TEL: 314 349-1208)

-30- 429
#90240c0200 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.B. WATSON OF 8421 TOP OF THE WORLD DR, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84121, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF GLOBAL PLATINUM & GOLD INC. (TICKER: GPGD) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 23, 1990.

(GLOBAL PLATINUM & GOLD INC. TEL: 801 943-6884)

-30- 451
#90240c0201 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.G. SOUTHMAYD OF 6150 SOUTH FULTON ST, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000,000 SHARES OF AD-RAK HOLDINGS INC. THROUGH PRINCETON FINANCIAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 23, 1990.

(AD-RAK HOLDINGS INC. TEL: 303 777-1361)

-30- 418
#90240c0202 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J. LEIBLER OF 68-41 JUNO STREET, FOREST HILLS, NY 11375, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MSYS) THROUGH SILVER GRAY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 23, 1990.

(MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 813 576-6311)

-30- 447
#90240c0204 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.L. BOOTH OF P O BOX 105366, ONE CNN CENTER, ATLANTA, GA 30348, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,200 CLASS A SHARES OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 27, 1990.

(TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. TEL: 404 827-1700)

-30- 466
#90240c0205 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.P. EVANS OF 206 WEST 29TH ST, OGDEN, UT 84400, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC.(TICKER: WSFG) THROUGH R A JOHNSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 27, 1990.

(WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC. TEL: 815 877-7441)

-30- 419
#90240c0206 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.S. FRAILER OF 7438 RHOADS ST, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19151, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL GAMING MANAGEMENT (TICKER: INGM) THROUGH QUICK & REILLY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 21, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL GAMING MANAGEMENT TEL: 612 542-1410)

-30- 444
#90240c0207 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LLOYD B EMBRY OF P O BOX 101 EVERGREEN WAY, 0, EVERETT, WA 98204, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 415
#90240c0208 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERIC F HYDEN OF 2200 CANTERBURY, FORT WORTH, TX 76107, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 390
#90240c0209 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EPSTEIN & HUREWITZ PSP COOPER OF 9333 OSO AVE, CHATSWORTH, CA 91311, HAS FILED TO SELL 300,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 448
#90240c0210 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL A MILLER OF 9255 DOHENY RD #1702, LOS ANGELES, CA 90069, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF PACIFIC ENTERPRISES (TICKER: PET) THROUGH WELLS FARGO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(PACIFIC ENTERPRISES TEL: 213 895-5001)

-30- 409
#90240c0212 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OLE C SAND OF 5214 PORTSMOUTH RD, BETHESDA, MD 20816, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,203 SHARES OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC) THROUGH

KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. TEL: 503 681-0118)

-30- 435
#90240c0213 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEROME F SHELDON OF 47 GRANADA WAY, ST LOUIS, MO 63124, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF MEDICINE SHOPPE INTERNATIONAL IN (TICKER: MSII) THROUGH ADAMS HARKNESS & HILL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(MEDICINE SHOPPE INTERNATIONAL IN TEL: 314 993-6000)

-30- 455
#90240c0214 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN DIKEOU OF 1811 WELTON ST, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,790 SHARES OF VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: VCEL) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 919 282-3690)

-30- 439
#90240c0215 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID J ZUVER OF 1160 OAKCLIFF RD, MACON, GA 31211, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,463 SHARES OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(LANCASTER COLONY CORP. TEL: 614 224-7141)

-30- 418
#90240c0216 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT D CARL III OF 8601 DUNWOODY PLACE, SUITE 200, ATLANTA, GA 30350, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG) THROUGH COLLIER BROWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(HEALTH IMAGES INC. TEL: 404 642-9869)

-30- 419
#90240c0217 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE K FLEISCHMAN OF 330 VANDERBILT MOTOR PKWY, SUITE 300, HAUPPAUGE, NY 11780, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF ARCUS INC. (TICKER: ARKS) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(ARCUS INC. TEL: 213 383-3611)

-30- 417
#90240c0218 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES R KENT OF 107 WEST KERR, LUFKIN, TX 75901, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 386
#90240c0220 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL PARRELLA OF 40 KELLOG HILL RD, WESTON, CT 06883, HAS FILED TO SELL 98,855 SHARES OF NOISE CANCELLATION TECHNOLOGIES (TICKER: NCTI) THROUGH GRUNTAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(NOISE CANCELLATION TECHNOLOGIES TEL: 212 560-1278)

-30- 450
#90240c0221 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE A SCHAPIRO OF 3880 RALSTON AVE, HILLSBOROUGH, CA 94010, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF ANDROS ANALYZERS INC. (TICKER: ANDY) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(ANDROS ANALYZERS INC. TEL: 415 849-5700)

-30- 425

#90240c0222 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK J FREDERICKS OF 986 MARK DR, N BELLMORE, NY 11710, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,500 SHARES OF EASTCO INDUSTRIAL SAFETY CORP. (TICKER: ESTO) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(EASTCO INDUSTRIAL SAFETY CORP. TEL: 516 427-1802)

-30- 446
#90240c0223 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CZEGA MIKLOS WASS-DE OF 49-A DELAFIELD, ALBANY, NY 12205, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,100 SHARES OF MARROW-TECH INC. (TICKER: MARO) THROUGH PARAGON CAPITAL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(MARROW-TECH INC. TEL: 914 347-2730)

-30- 411
#90240c0224 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD B HUGHES OF 3340 PEACHTREE ROAD N E, SUITE 775, ATLANTA, GA 30337, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,555 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 434
#90240c0225 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAM S SRINIVASAN OF 1011 JOSHUA PLACE, FREMONT, CA 94539, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,850 SHARES OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(CIRRUS LOGIC INC. TEL: 408 945-8300)

-30- 419
#90240c0226 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROSE M EVANS OF 16854 LITTLE TUJUNGA CYN RD, SAN FERNANDO, CA 91342, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 713 578-8868)

-30- 446
#90240c0228 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TIMOTH R BOYLAN OF 34 GLEN ALPIN RD, PHOENIA, MD 21131, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CHOICES ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: CECS) THROUGH GLOBAL AMERICA. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(CHOICES ENTERTAINMENT CORP. TEL: 301 644-3100)

-30- 432
#90240c0229 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED R NICHOLS OF P O BOX 130498, TYLER, TX 75713, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF TCA CABLE TV INC. (TICKER: TCAT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(TCA CABLE TV INC. TEL: 214 595-3701)

-30- 399
#90240c0230 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL E BARSHOP OF P O BOX 790064, 0, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78279, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 21, 1990.

(LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. TEL: 512 366-6000)

-30- 433
#90240c0231 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN W GOLD OF 23 WEST 73RD ST, NEW YORK, NY 10023, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MILLFIELD TRADING INC. (TICKER: SHOE) THROUGH WHALE SECS CO L P. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 21, 1990.

(MILLFIELD TRADING INC. TEL: 516 367-3711)

-30- 417
#90240c0232 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN A MAITOZA OF 71 SMITH ST, 0, GROTON, MA 01450, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,602 SHARES OF RABBIT SOFTWARE CORP. (TICKER: RABT) THROUGH JOSEPHTHAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(RABBIT SOFTWARE CORP. TEL: 215 647-0440)

-30- 412
#90240c0233 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LARRY C WULF OF P O BOX 300278, 0, DENVER, CO 80203, HAS FILED TO SELL 375,000 SHARES OF WULF OIL CORP (TICKER: WULF) THROUGH G K SCOTT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(WULF OIL CORP TEL: 303 860-7842)

-30- 389
#90240c0234 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH W GORDON OF RT #2, P O BOX 1402, LANCASTER, VA 22503, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF VIRGINIA FIRST SVGS BANKS FSB (TICKER: VFSB) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(VIRGINIA FIRST SVGS BANKS FSB TEL: 804 748-5847)

-30- 454
#90240c0236 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT S TEUTENBERG OF 650 LOCKSLEY, ST LOUIS, MO 63119, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: TRCI) THROUGH SMITH MOORE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH CORP. TEL: 813 535-0572)

-30- 433
#90240c0237 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LLOYD L LONDON OF P O BOX 352, CISCO, TX 76437, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,131 SHARES OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN (TICKER: GTRO) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN TEL: 817 442-2665)

-30- 451
#90240c0238 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NICHOLAS H POWELL OF 1080 MARINA VILLAGE PARKWAY, ALAMEDA ISLAND, CA 94501, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,832 SHARES OF INGRES CORP. (TICKER: RELY) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(INGRES CORP. TEL: 415 769-1400)

-30- 408
#90240c0239 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES TULIN OF 90 PARK AVE, 0, NEW YORK, NY 10016, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,000 SHARES OF SWANK INC. (TICKER: SNKI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(SWANK INC. TEL: 508 222-3400)

-30- 375
#90240c0240 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J C WALTER JR OF 1212 MAIN ST, SUITE 240, HOUSTON, TX 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF ROWAN COS. (TICKER: RDC) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 24, 1990.

(ROWAN COS. TEL: 713 621-7800)

-30- 390
#90240c0241 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY A STIMAC OF 15902 BRAMPTON COURT, SPRING, TX 77379, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 433-3340)

-30- 426
#90240c0242 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE GOLDMAN OF 251-41 43RD AVE, LITTLENECK, NY 11363, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,281 SHARES OF MIZLOU COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: MZLU) THROUGH RICHFIELD SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 24, 1990.

(MIZLOU COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 212 244-1930)

-30- 438
#90240c0244 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAROLYN D GARRETSON OF 2103 WAKE FOREST ST, VIRGINIA BCH, VA 23451, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,864 SHARES OF NOVACARE INC. (TICKER: NVCR) THROUGH SOVRAN INVSTMNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 24, 1990.

(NOVACARE INC. TEL: 215 631-9300)

-30- 412
#90240c0245 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRIAN L HINMAN OF 100 ELM ST, MARBLEHEAD, MA 01945, HAS FILED TO SELL 38,000 SHARES OF PICTURETEL CORP. (TICKER: PCTL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(PICTURETEL CORP. TEL: 508 977-9500)

-30- 399
#90240c0246 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAVAS PETER OF 16020 INDUSTRIAL DR, GAITHERSBURG, MD 20877, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,302 SHARES OF GENEX CORP. (TICKER: GNEX) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(GENEX CORP. TEL: 301 258-0552)

-30- 389
#90240c0247 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALTER L REVELL OF 7211 S BEDLINGTON RD, MIAMI, FL 33014, HAS FILED TO SELL 41,935 SHARES OF HOTELECOPY INC. (TICKER: FAXM) THROUGH SUNTRUST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 24, 1990.

(HOTELECOPY INC. TEL: 305 651-5176)

-30- 400
#90240c0248 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR O STERN OF 100 PEMBROKE ST, BOSTON, MA 02118, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 24, 1990.

(COLONIAL GROUP INC. TEL: 617 426-3750)

-30- 411
#90240c0249 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM R GRAVES OF 43081 SCOFIELD COURT, FREMONT, CA 94539, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 24, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 418
#90240c0250 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM SCHANZ OF 1025 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10028, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF REGENCY CRUISES INC. (TICKER: SHIP) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 24, 1990.

(REGENCY CRUISES INC. TEL: 212 972-4774)

-30- 415
#90240c0252 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES H FURNEAUX OF 83 WALNUT ST, WELLESLEY HILLS, MA 02180, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 435
#90240c0253 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BARRY F KATONA OF 285 WEST NORTH TEMPLE, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84101, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CENTURION MINES CORP. (TICKER: CTMC) THROUGH R A JOHNSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(CENTURION MINES CORP. TEL: 801 534-1120)

-30- 430
#90240c0254 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL A CRANE OF 8 SHAWNEE TRAIL, ORMOND BCH, FL 32174, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 427
#90240c0255 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - US GROWTH FUND PARTNERS CV OF ONE LAGOON DR, SUITE 280, REDWOOD CITY CA 94065, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,978 SHARES OF VERIFONE INC. (TICKER: VFIC) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(VERIFONE INC. TEL: 415 591-6500)

-30- 436
#90240c0256 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ALDO J TEST OF 77 REBECCA LANE, ATHERTON, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF IMATRON INC. (TICKER: IMAT) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(IMATRON INC. TEL: 415 583-9964)

-30- 390
#90240c0257 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM R BELTON OF P O BOX 470249, FORT WORTH, TX 76147, HAS FILED TO SELL 33,333 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 395
#90240c0258 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL A CRANE OF 8 SHAWNEE TRAIL, ORMOND BCH, FL 32174, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 427
#90240c0260 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN C DORN OF 1201 COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE, MIDLAND, TX 79702, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,075 SHARES OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(FOREST OIL CORP. TEL: 814 368-7171)

-30- 402
#90240c0261 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELLBOGEN JOHN P KEOGH PLAN OF 777 N OVERLAND TRAIL STE 220, P O BOX 2459, CASPER, WY 82601, HAS FILED TO SELL 105,000 SHARES OF TYREX OIL CO.

(TICKER: TYRX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(TYREX OIL CO. TEL: 307 234-4260)

-30- 456
#90240c0262 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL W CHIN OF 21075 MICHAELS DR, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ATARI CORP. (TICKER: ATC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(ATARI CORP. TEL: 408 745-2000)

-30- 389
#90240c0263 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - UNOCO HOLDINGS INC OF C/O MR R SCHRAG, 36 W 44TH ST, STE 1407, NEW YORK, NY 10036, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,367 SHARES OF OFFSHORE LOGISTICS INC. (TICKER: OLOG) THROUGH WERTHEIM SCHRODER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(OFFSHORE LOGISTICS INC. TEL: 318 233-1221)

-30- 460
#90240c0264 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN C DORN OF 1201 COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE, MIDLAND, TX 79702, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(FOREST OIL CORP. TEL: 814 368-7171)

-30- 402
#90240c0265 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN H UNDERWOOD OF 14608 SUMMIT OAKS PL, BURNSVILLE, MN 55337, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF DATAKEY INC. (TICKER: DKEY) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 24, 1990.

(DATAKEY INC. TEL: 612 890-6850)

-30- 403
#90240c0266 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

NASD REPORTS TRADE HALTED ON ROYALPAR INDUSTRIES

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:16 that trade in Royalpar Ind.(NASDAQ: ROYL) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1. The company is located in West Hartford, CT.

-30- 344
#90240c0268 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
NEW YORK (AUG 28) COMTEX - Today's weekly auctions of Citicorp Auction (CAPS) Paper set rates of 8.018% for 91-day paper, up from 8.0099% last week, and 8.011% for 182-day paper, down from 8.039% last week.

For the 91-day paper, accepted bids ranged from a low rate of 8.009% to a high rate of 8.028%. A total of $415 million in bids was submitted, of which $50 million was accepted. Citicorp said that 60% of the bids at the high rate were accepted on a pro-rata basis.

For the 182-day paper, accepted bids ranged from a low rate of 7.985% to a high rate of 8.035%. A total of $380 million in bids was submitted, of which $50 million was accepted. Citicorp said that 50% of the bids at the high rate were accepted on a pro-rata basis.

Citicorp will take bids totalling $50 million on new 91-day paper and $50 million on new 182-day paper next Tuesday.

-30- 1001
#90240c0269 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Gull Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: GULL) lost $47,359, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.54 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $206,753, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.23 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 472
#90240c0270 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Home Federal Savings and Loan Association of San Francisco (TICKER: HFSF) earned $648,000, or $0.47 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $559,000, or $0.41 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 486

#90240c0271 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Johnson Electronics (TICKER: JHSN) lost $132,290, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $1.09 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $134,026 (including a gain of $22,128 from discontinued operations), or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $1.06 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 537

#90240c0272 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Daleco Resources Corp.(TICKER: DLOV) lost $362,750, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $565,637 for the nine months ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.20 million, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $374,368 for the same period in 1989.

All dollar amounts are expressed in Canadian dollars.

-30- 538

#90240c0273 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Corporate Capital Resources Inc.(TICKER: CCRS) lost $898,663, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $427,928 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 395

#90240c0274 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Earth Sciences Inc.(TICKER: ESCI) lost $201,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $26,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $335,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $41,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 464

#90240c0276 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Roadmaster Industries (TICKER: WHEL) lost $1.25 million, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $32.45 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $1.09 million, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $35.54 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 498

#90240c0277 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Asdar Group Inc.(TICKER: ASDR) earned $32,080, on revenues of $2.90 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net profit of $13,094 on revenues of $290,876 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 428

#90240c0278 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Marketing Systems of America (TICKER: MASY) lost $283,527 (including an extraordinary gain of $58,000), or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $302,732 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $141,494, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $615,756 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 537

#90240c0279 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Berger Holdings Ltd. earned $15,742, on revenues of $5.50 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $3,868 on revenues of $9.65 million for the six months ending June 30, 1990.

-30- 438

#90240c0280 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Grease Monkey Holding Corp.(TICKER: GMHC) lost $94,094, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.41 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $3,512, at an unknown price per share,

on revenues of $2.11 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 518
#90240c0281 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Standard Metals Corp. lost $206,332, or $0.05 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $312,949, or $0.10 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

Standard Metals Corp. reports that because it had no operating properties during the reporting periods, no revenue was generated in the first half of 1990 or the first half of 1989.

-30- 627
#90240c0282 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows An-Con Genetics Inc.(TICKER: ANCN) lost $143,800, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $19,800 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $226,900 (including an extraordinary loss of $65,800), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $184,700 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 506
#90240c0284 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hallwood Energy Corp.(TICKER: HWEC) lost $1.96 million, or $0.04 per share on revenues of $3.82 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $119,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $110,000), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.06 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 529
#90240c0285 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Screen Company (TICKER: ASCR) reported income of $2,674, or at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.02 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $15,271, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $530,196 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 525
#90240c0286 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Niagara Corp.(TICKER: NIAG) lost $1.82 million, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $2.32 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $460,823, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.18 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 466
#90240c0287 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Yuba Westgold Inc. lost $406,369, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $175,533 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $275,607, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $394,004 for the same period in 1989.

Yuba Westgold Inc.'s executive offices are located at 1536 Cole Blvd., Suite 350, Bldg. 4, Golden, CO 80401, and its telephone number is: (303) 232-5100.

-30- 611
#90240c0288 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Gull Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: GULL) lost $47,359, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.54 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $206,753, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.23 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 472
#90240c0320 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 13, 1990, R.P. SHINALL III, DIR. OF FIDELITY SOUTHERN CORP. BOUGHT 667 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 667.

-30- 303
#90240c0321 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, J.R. PURDY, DIR. OF FIRST-KNOX BANC CORP. BOUGHT 1,971 SHARES AT $41.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,575.

-30- 296
#90240c0323 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, R.J. CARDOZA, CHAIRMAN OF PV FINANCIAL BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,672.

-30- 291
#90240c0324 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, H.L. LEASON, CHAIRMAN OF FILTERTEK INC.(TICKER: FILT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 286,000.

-30- 308
#90240c0325 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, R.D. MINZEY, DIR. OF SHELTER COMPONENTS INC. (TICKER: SST) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 314
#90240c0326 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 18, 1990, P.A. SABIA, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF JERMYN (PENNSYLVANIA) BOUGHT 555 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,955.

-30- 357
#90240c0327 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GOLDEN OIL CO DEL OF HOUSTON, TX OWNS 1,693,859 SHARES (25.20%) OF COBB RESOURCES CORP (TICKER: COBB) OF ALBUQUERQUE, NM.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Golden has given notice of exercise of the option granted by Charles Cobb IV to purchase 687,256 shares, with an expected closing on Sept. 18, 1990. Golden is in the process of discussing the possibility of a business combination with Cobb Resources Corp.

PURPOSE:

Possible business combination.

-30- 656
#90240c0328 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.B. STEPHENS OWNS 580,885 SHARES (25.20%) OF BANK SAN FRANCISCO CO HOLDING CO (TICKER: BOF) OF SAN FRANCISCO, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Bank San Francisco Co. Holding Co. purchased 30,000 shares on July 24, 1990 for $8.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment and to maintain the ability to influence the policies of management.

-30- 567
#90240c0329 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS L P OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 4,232,600 SHARES (9.46%) OF USAIR GROUP INC (TICKER: U) OF ARLINGTON, VA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From June 26 to Aug. 24, 1990, Institutional Partners LP purchased 591,500 shares and sold 103,280 shares for $14.07 to $25.80 per share.

-30- 513
#90240c0331 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, WARREN D JOHNSON, SHAREHOLDER OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 1,020 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90240c0332 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DAVID R BANKS, CHAIRMAN OF BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: BEV), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90240c0333 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DAVID R BANKS, CHAIRMAN OF BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: BEV), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90240c0334 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DAVID R BANKS, CHAIRMAN OF BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: BEV), SOLD 24,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90240c0335 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DAVID R BANKS, CHAIRMAN OF BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: BEV), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90240c0336 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID R BANKS, CHAIRMAN OF BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: BEV), SOLD 14,400 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 251,559.

-30- 325
#90240c0337 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES F GARY, DIR. OF BANCORP HAWAII INC. (TICKER: BNHI), BOUGHT 1,180 SHARES AT $42.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,030.

-30- 312
#90240c0339 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RALPH B BUSCH JR, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 55,286 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 889,334.

-30- 319
#90240c0340 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 29, 1990, RALPH B BUSCH JR, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 944,620.

-30- 317
#90240c0341 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90240c0342 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90240c0343 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90240c0344 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90240c0345 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90240c0347 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90240c0348 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90240c0349 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $7.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90240c0350 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,900.

-30- 296
#90240c0351 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90240c0352 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD L MATSON, SHAREHOLDER OF CASCADE CORP. (TICKER: CASC), SOLD 23,500 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,649.

-30- 317
#90240c0353 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 01, 1990, DENNIS J MCGILLICUDDY, DIR. OF CCX INC. (TICKER: CCX), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90240c0355 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, DENNIS J MCGILLICUDDY, DIR. OF CCX INC. (TICKER: CCX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90240c0356 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, DENNIS J MCGILLICUDDY, DIR. OF CCX INC. (TICKER: CCX), BOUGHT 14,600 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 959,400.

-30- 308
#90240c0357 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 01, 1990, D STEVENS MCVOY, DIR. OF CCX INC. (TICKER: CCX), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90240c0358 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 02, 1990, D STEVENS MCVOY, DIR. OF CCX INC. (TICKER: CCX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90240c0359 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, D STEVENS MCVOY, DIR. OF CCX INC. (TICKER: CCX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90240c0360 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, D STEVENS MCVOY, DIR. OF CCX INC. (TICKER: CCX), BOUGHT 14,600 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 959,400.

-30- 295
#90240c0361 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 01, 1990, BARRY SILVERSTEIN, DIR. OF CCX INC. (TICKER: CCX), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90240c0363 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, BARRY SILVERSTEIN, DIR. OF CCX INC. (TICKER: CCX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90240c0364 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, BARRY SILVERSTEIN, DIR. OF CCX INC. (TICKER: CCX), BOUGHT 14,600 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 959,400.

-30- 302
#90240c0365 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RUSHTON O BACKER, SHAREHOLDER OF COLLINS FOODS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CF), SOLD 36,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 437,467.

-30- 350
#90240c0366 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM A GRIFFIN III, SHAREHOLDER OF DANIEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DAN), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,747.

-30- 325
#90240c0367 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM A GRIFFIN III, SHAREHOLDER OF DANIEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DAN), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,122.

-30- 327
#90240c0368 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ANTONIO R GALINDO, DIR. OF DANA CORP. (TICKER: DCN), SOLD 450 SHARES AT $35.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90240c0369 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, THOMAS L DEPETRILLO, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF DIGITEXT INC. (TICKER: DIGT), SOLD 690,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,360,000.

-30- 346
#90240c0371 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JANE C MACELREE, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 15,291 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,078,052.

-30- 337
#90240c0372 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RAYMOND H DEMOULIN, VP OF EASTMAN KODAK CO. (TICKER: EK), SOLD 615 SHARES AT $39.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 661.

-30- 302
#90240c0373 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HAROLD S MEDEN, OFFICER OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 309
#90240c0374 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DANIEL R MARTIN, PRES. OF E-Z-EM INC. (TICKER: EZEM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 299
#90240c0375 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOSEPH A RIINA, OFFICER OF E-Z-EM INC. (TICKER: EZEM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,500.

-30- 301
#90240c0376 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ALAN P GOLDBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST ALBANY COS. (TICKER: FACT), BOUGHT 3,950 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 168,237.

-30- 337
#90240c0377 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, GEORGE C MCNAMEE, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST ALBANY COS. (TICKER: FACT), BOUGHT 3,950 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 271,027.

-30- 321
#90240c0379 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DON S CISLE, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $41.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90240c0380 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, DON S CISLE, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), SOLD 7,200 SHARES AT $40.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,982.

-30- 325
#90240c0381 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, GERBER PRODTS RET INVMT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF GERBER PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: GEB), BOUGHT 298 SHARES AT $51.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90240c0382 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILBUR H GANTZ, DIR. OF GRAINGER (W.W.) INC. (TICKER: GWW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $67.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 309
#90240c0383 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT C MOORE, VP OF HILTON HOTELS CORP. (TICKER: HLT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 302
#90240c0384 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HOWARD O BEAVER JR, DIR. OF HERSHEY FOODS CORP. (TICKER: HSY), BOUGHT 161 SHARES AT $38.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,585.

-30- 311
#90240c0385 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 06, 1990, WADE L HAMPTON, VP OF KOGER EQUITY INC. (TICKER: KE), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,400.

-30- 306
#90240c0387 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DWAYNE O ANDREAS, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBM), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $10.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 966,449.

-30- 341
#90240c0388 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, WILLIAM H NOCK III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NBSC CORP. (TICKER: NSCB), BOUGHT 140 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,927.

-30- 317
#90240c0389 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, WILLIAM M REYNOLDS JR, DIR. OF NBSC CORP. (TICKER: NSCB), BOUGHT 183 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,961.

-30- 302
#90240c0390 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, MARVIN D TRAPP, CHAIRMAN OF NBSC CORP. (TICKER: NSCB), BOUGHT 126 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,265.

-30- 297
#90240c0391 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JACK LIN, PRES. OF NATIONAL TECHNICAL SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: NTSC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 932,127.

-30- 338
#90240c0392 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MAURICE LEWITT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NU-MED INC. (TICKER: NUMS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 465,919.

-30- 320
#90240c0393 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, DONALD J BARRY JR, VP OF NEWORLD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NWOR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 1,360.

-30- 311
#90240c0395 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MARIJO A GOLDSTEIN, VP OF AMERICAN OPPORTUNITY INCOME FD INC. (TICKER: OIF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 339
#90240c0396 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 30, 1989, CHARLES D MOSELEY JR, DIR. OF ONE PRICE CLOTHING STORES INC. (TICKER: ONPR), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 443,044.

-30- 347
#90240c0397 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 26, 1989, CHARLES D MOSELEY JR, DIR. OF ONE PRICE CLOTHING STORES INC. (TICKER: ONPR), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 413,044.

-30- 347
#90240c0398 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 06, 1989, CHARLES D MOSELEY JR, DIR. OF ONE PRICE CLOTHING STORES INC. (TICKER: ONPR), BOUGHT 225 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 413,309.

-30- 342
#90240c0399 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, LON B ROGERS, DIR. OF PIKEVILLE NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PKVL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,945.

-30- 314
#90240c0400 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 21, 1990, IRA A HERMANN, PRES. OF RAX RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: RAXR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 316
#90240c0401 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 21, 1990, IRA A HERMANN, PRES. OF RAX RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: RAXR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 312
#90240c0403 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, LUCIUS E BURCH III, DIR. OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,000.

-30- 338
#90240c0404 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 21, 1989, MALCOLM S MORRIS, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF STEWART INFORMATION SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: SISC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90240c0405 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1987, MALCOLM S MORRIS, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF STEWART INFORMATION SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: SISC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 374
#90240c0406 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 18, 1988, MALCOLM S MORRIS, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF STEWART INFORMATION SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: SISC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 374
#90240c0407 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CHARLES H CHAPMAN JR, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 230 SHARES AT $17.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 196,320.

-30- 311
#90240c0408 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 13, 1990, C JIM STEWART III, VP OF STEWART & STEVENSON SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SSSS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,337.

-30- 332
#90240c0409 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, WILLIAM B BENACK, DIR. OF STATE BANCORP INC.(N.Y.) (TICKER: STBC), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,950.

-30- 341
#90240c0411 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, IRA N STONE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 656,037.

-30- 337
#90240c0412 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, RICHARD E SCHAEFER, VP OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,048.

-30- 330
#90240c0413 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, EDWARD W HELFRICK, DIR. OF SUSQUEHANNA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: SUSQ), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90240c0414 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, EDWARD W HELFRICK, DIR. OF SUSQUEHANNA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: SUSQ), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,957.

-30- 335
#90240c0415 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALTER Y ELISHA, DIR. OF AMERICAN TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH CO. (TICKER: T), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 342
#90240c0416 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN T MARINO, OFFICER OF UNITED WATER RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: UWR), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.42 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90240c0417 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN T MARINO, OFFICER OF UNITED WATER RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: UWR), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,353.

-30- 333
#90240c0419 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, TIMOTHY HOBSON, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS & RADIO INC. (TICKER: VCRI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,615.

-30- 372
#90240c0420 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 22, 1990, in connection with a restructuring of certain indebtedness of Mr. Trump and certain of his affiliates, The Trump-Alexander's Co. entered into a consolidation and amendment to the amended and restated loan agreement. TAC granted a first priority interest in the 1,353,468 shares of common stock to a bank located in New York City as security for its obligations under the amended and restated loan agreement; a second priority security interest in the 1,353,468 shares of common stock subordinate to the lien and security interest created by the pledge agreement to a bank located in New York City, as agent, for the banks under that certain credit agreement, dated as of Aug. 8, 1990, between Mr. Trump and the banks identified there in; and a third priority security interest in the 1,353,468 shares of common stock (subordinate to the lien and security interest created by the pledge agreement bank located in New York City, as agent and as collateral agent, for lenders under that certain override agreement, dated as of Aug. 8, 1990, by and among Mr. Trump, certain related entities and certain lenders identified therein. TAC shall be entitled to exercise any and all voting and other consentual rights pertaining to the 1,353,468 shares of common stock except upon the occurrence of certain events of default as specified therein.

-30- 1609
#90240c0421 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

KONAZU INVESTMENT CORP OWNS 1,250,000 SHARES (41.30%) OF LINIUM TECHNOLOGY INC OF BAY HARBOR ISLAND, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The purchase of 1,250,000 shares was to provide working capital for Linium Technology Inc. As a result of this purchase, Konazu Investment Corp. now beneficially owns 41.3 percent and the former controlling shareholder beneficially own 22.8 percent of Linium Technology Inc.'s outstanding common stock. Pursuant to the change of control, Linium Technology Inc.'s board of directors was increased to seven and four new directors were appointed to such board. At this time, there is no contemplated change in management.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 2, 1990, Konazu Investment Corp. purchased 1,250,000 shares of Linium Technology Inc.'s common stock for an undisclosed consideration.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares to acquire working capital for Linium Technology Inc.

-30- 1127
#90240c0422 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY TIGER OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,780,900 SHARES (5.30%) OF GEORGIA GULF CORP (TICKER: GGC) OF ATLANTA, GA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 2, 1990 and August 23, 1990, Tiger purchased 405,500 shares at a price of $6.17 to $9.91 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 485
#90240c0423 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 24, 1990, Leisure Concepts Inc.(TICKER: LCIC) entered into a merger agreement with ICT and LCI Acquisition Corp., pursuant to which LCI Sub will be merged with and into ICT, and ICT will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Leisure Concepts Inc. If the merger is consummated, each share of ICT common stock will be exchanged for .48908 shares of common stock. As of Aug. 23, 1990, there were 8,128,900 shares of ICT common stock outstanding on a fully diluted basis. The consummation of the merger agreement is conditioned upon numerous conditions one which is the approval of the merger by the shareholders of Leisure Concepts Inc. at a special shareholders meeting to be called for that purpose. Pursuant to the agreement, whether or not the merger is consummated, Leisure Concepts Inc. must reimburse ICT for any legal fees or other expenses incurred in connection with the transaction, but not to exceed $50,000 in the aggregate.

PURPOSE:

Merger agreement.

-30- 1217
#90240c0424 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY ANGELICOUSSIS SHIPHOLDING GROUP LTD OWNS 892,646 SHARES (12.26%) OF ANANGEL AMERICAN SHIP HOLDINGS LTD (TICKER: ASIP) OF PIRACUS, GREECE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The aggregate purchase price for the class A shares was $783,125 which amount was provided from the working capital of the Angelicoussis Group.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 16, 1990 and Aug. 23 1990, Angelicoussis Shipholding Group LTD purchased 82,500 class A shares for a price of $9.13 to $10.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 740
#90240c0425 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

NII(TICKER: NII) has extended its offer from Aug. 27 to Sept. 4, 1990.

-30- 267
#90240c0427 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

E.P. LABUE OWNS 3,352,569 SHARES (6.90%) OF OTC AMERICA INC (TICKER: OTCA) OF ROCHESTER, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

E.P Labue purchased 2,202,569 shares in May 1990 for $50.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 406
#90240c0428 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY C.E. PARENTE OF WILKES-BARRE, PA OWNS 428,306 SHARES (5.37%) OF C-TEC CORP (TICKER: CTEX) OF WILKES-BARRE, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Owen & Murray Partners, controlled by C.E. Parente, purchased 100,000 shares from July 10 to Aug. 21, 1990 for $16.13 to $18.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 515
#90240c0429 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

B.B. ZICARI OWNS 3,352,568 SHARES (6.90%) OF OTC AMERICA INC (TICKER: OTCA) OF ROCHESTER, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

B.B. Zicari purchased 2,202,568 shares in May 1990 for $50.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 406
#90240c0430 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY R.C. BLUM & ASSOCIATES INC. OWNS 1,982,702 SHARES (6.71%) OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP (TICKER: NEC) OF IRVINE, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

R.C. Blum & Associates Inc. purchased 366,531 shares from June 25 to Aug. 22, 1990 for $4.42 to $5.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 523

#90240c0431 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 19

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 654,354 SHARES (48.31%) OF LYNCH CORPORATION (TICKER: LGL) OF GREENWICH, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT: No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE: For investment

-30- 416

#90240c0432 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 657,730 SHARES (12.29%) OF MILTON ROY CO (TICKER: MRC) OF ST. PETERSBURG, FL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 2, 1990 and Aug. 24, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 5,000 shares at a price of $23.88 per share and sold 18,370 shares at price of $25 to $26.83 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 568

#90240c0433 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

J.O. VARTAN OWNS 78,370 SHARES (9.99%) OF FIRST HARRISBURG BANCORP INC (TICKER: FFHP) OF HARRISBURG, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between May 1, 1990 and Aug. 22, 1990, J.O. Vartan purchased 9,300 shares at a price of $10.13 to $11.63.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 478
#90240c0437 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

J.J. CAMARDA OWNS 1,218,750 SHARES (8.70%) OF BARTON INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: BART) OF SHAWNEE, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.J. Camarda acquired on Feb. 20, 1990 and Aug. 17, 1990, 205,000 and 200,000 shares, respectively, of Barton Ind. Inc.'s common stock for undisclosed purchase prices. Standard margin agreements were entered into with the following security firms: Prudential-Bache, Robinson- Humphrey, and Paine Webber, pledging Barton stock acquired prior to this transaction.

-30- 679
#90240c0438 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY INSTITUTIONAL VENTURE PARTNERS III OF MENLO PARK, CA 940,000 SHARES (4.86%) OF ALTERA CORP (TICKER: ALTR) OF SAN JOSE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Institutional Venture Partners III has ceased to own more than 5 percent of Altera Corp.'s common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 15, 1990, IVP sold 50,000 shares of Altera Corpo.'s common stock for an undisclosed consideration.

-30- 611
#90240c0439 08/28/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY M.F. HULMAN OWNS 2,175,138 SHARES (15.80%) OF INDIANA ENERGY INC (TICKER: IEI) OF INDIANAPOLIS, IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 377
#90240c0440 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 520,600 SHARES (19.71%) OF UNITED INNS INC (TICKER: UI) OF MEMPHIS, TN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 30, 1990 and Aug. 24, 1990 Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 50,100 common shares at $8.48 to $9.13 per share and between July 26 and Aug. 24 sold 6,800 shares at $8.38 to $9.13 per share.

-30- 544
#90240c0441 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 17

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOC LP OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 578,522 SHARES (14.90%) OF PERINI INVESTMENT PROPERTIES INC (TICKER: PNV) OF FRAMINGHAM, MA..

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 3-22, 1990, Harris Associates LP sold 100,800 shares for $7 to $9.02 per share.

-30- 477
#90240c0442 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOC LP OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 778,000 SHARES (9.10%) OF EVANS & SUTHERLAND COMPUTER CORP (TICKER: ESCC) OF SALT LAKE CITY, UT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From June 22 to Aug. 17, 1990, Harris Associates LP sold 58,600 shares for $25 to $32.01 per share and 700 shares were transferred from accounts with Harris Associates LP on Aug. 10, 1990.

-30- 585
#90240c0443 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - Health Care Property Investors Inc., (TICKER: HCP) a Los Angeles real-estate investment trust that invests in health properties, plans to float up to $75 million principal amount of senior notes due Sept. 15, 2005 to help fund the proposed acquisition of medical facilities from Macon, Ga.-based Charter Medical Corp.

Health Care Property Investors Inc. plans to buy nine psychiatric hospitals and one acute-care hospital with two adjoining medical-office buildings from subsidiaries of Charter Medical for $76.2 million.

The subsidiaries will lease the facilities back from Health Care Property.

Those facilities are located in Georgia (three), Florida (one), Indiana (three), North Carolina (two), South Dakota (one) and Texas (one).

Health Care Property has committed to buy and lease back another five psychiatric hospitals from Charter Medical subsidiaries for a purchase price of $36.1 million.

Those hospitals are located in Arizona, Arkansas, California, Florida and Kentucky.

Health Care Property Investors Inc. currently owns an interest in 144 properties located in 30 states and leases 142 of them to 20 different health care providers.

Merrill Lynch Capital Markets will underwrite the sale.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 28, 1990

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#90240c0445 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - Dental unit The Federal Trade Commission has given its approval to the proposed acquisition by Colgate-Palmolive Co. of the professional dental-healthcare business of Scherer Laboratories Inc., (TICKER: SCHR) a wholly owned subsidiary of Atlanta-based Scherer Healthcare Inc., according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 28, 1990

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#90240c0446 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - Administrator Concord, N.H.-based Healthsource Inc.(TICKER: HLTH) has acquired 60 percent of Kilmoylar Corp. the privately held Hampton, N.H., parent of Employee Benefit Administration Inc., New England's largest third-party medical-claims administrator, and has agreed to acquire the remaining 40 percent over the next four years.

The price of the acquisition was $810,000 cash at the closing and $4 million for an eight-year non-compete clause, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The purchase price for the remaining 40 percent of Kilmoylar will be based on Healthsource Inc.'s earnings over the four-year period.

Employee Benefit Administration provides medical-claims services to more than 200,000 employees and their dependents.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 28, 1990

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#90240c0447 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - American Equine Products Inc. of Norwalk, Conn., has acquired Docktor Pet Centers Inc. of Wilmington, Mass., the country's largest franchisor of pet stores, in a stock swap.

American Equine had owned 10 Docktor Pet Centers franchisee stores in shopping malls in New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 28, 1990

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#90240c0448 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - Precision aerotech subsidiary, former executives indicted for fraud Aero Technologies Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of La Jolla, Calif.-based Precision Aerotech Inc.(TICKER: PAR), and three of its former officers, were indicted in a federal court in Kansas earlier this month.

The indictment, handed up Aug. 14, alleges one count of conspiracy to defraud the U.S. government and two counts of making fraudulent statements to the government about two separate contracts, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The charges involve the certification of welds on two contracts Aero was completing for the U.S. Air Force.

Named in the indictment along with Precision Aerotech Inc. are Charles F. Colburn, Billy E. Graham and Lonnie L. Dunlavy.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 28, 1990.

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#90240c0449 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - Citizens National Bank of Lansford, in Lansford, Pa., will acquire Harleysville National Corp.(TICKER: HNBC) of Harleysville, Pa., in a stock swap, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Aug. 28, 1990.

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#90240c0450 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - Bank Pound, Wis.-based FSB Bancorp Inc., a newly formed holding company that plans to acquire Farmers State Bank of Pound (Wis.), hopes to raise about $4 million with an initial public offering of 200,000 common shares.

Proceeds will be used to acquire the bank from River Valley Bancorp.Inc. for $6.25 million, and to pay organizational expenses, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The balance needed to buy the bank will be borrowed from First Wisconsin

National Bank of Milwaukee.

Formation of the bank-holding company must still be approved by the Federal Reserve Board.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 28, 1990

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#90240c0451 08/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - Acorn Venture Capital Corp.(TICKER: AVCC), a Pompano Beach, Fla., business-development company, is hoping to raise as much as $2.6 million with an offering of 750,000 common shares.

Acorn Venture Capital Corp.'s shares list on NASDAQ under the symbol AVCC and traded for $3.50 Aug. 24.

The offered shares represent about 73 percent of Acorn Venture Capital Corp. after the offering.

F.N. Wolf & Co. Inc. will underwrite the offering.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 28, 1990

-30- 715
#90240d3090 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LUSAKA (AUG 28) - Some 15 people died and 18 others were seriously injured when a truck laden with maize bags overturned in Petauke, over 400 kilometres east of Lusaka, the official Daily Mail reported Tuesday.

The victims were perched on maize bags after being given a lift on Monday by the truck driver who escaped unhurt and was being held to help with investigations.

This brought to 59 the number of people who have perished this year in a series of accidents in the same area.

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#90240d3100 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG 28) - A U.S. national who was detained in Kuwait and taken to a stategic installation in Iraq has died of heart attack, Cable News Network reported Tuesday.

CNN, reporting from Baghdad, said the Iraqis had told the U.S. charge

d'affairs in Baghdad, Joseph Wilson, that an American man in his 50s had died, apparently of a heart attack, after being taken to a strategic site in Basra from Kuwait.

The man's identity was not immediately known.

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#90240d3160 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Tokyo (AUG. 28) - Saudi Arabian Ambassador to Japan Fawzi Bin Abdul Majeed Shobokshi said Tuesday the oil-rich gulf nation was ready to boost crude oil supplies to Japan.

The Saudi envoy was quoted as saying in a meeting with House of Councillors (upper house) President Yoshihiko Tsuchiya that his country could make up for around 50 percent of Japan's crude supply shortage of 4 to 4.2 million barrels a day after the embargo on oil imports from Iraq and Kuwait.

Saudi Arabia intended to persuade other oil-producing nations to put up the remainder, according to the envoy.

The Saudi ambassador, along with Kuwaiti Envoy here Abdul-Aziz Abdullatif al-Sharekh and the Omani and Qatari ambassadors, requested the Japanese parliament to adopt a resolution condemning Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait.

Meanwhile, government sources said that Minister of International Trade and Industry Kabun Muto will visit the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (Oecd) to discuss the impact of rising oil prices on the global economy during his upcoming tour of Europe.

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#90240d3170 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (AUG. 28) - Indonesia expects its first nuclear power plant to be operational by the year 2003, the official Antara news agency reported Tuesday.

It quoted Djali Ahimsa, the director general of Batan, the national atomic agency, as telling a seminar on nuclear power Monday in Canberra that the plant to be built in central Java would have a 600-megawatt capacity.

Mr. Ahimsa said Java's power needs in the year 2000 would be around 10,700 megawatts and go up to 26,000 megawatts in 2015, when conventional energy sources would only be able to produce around 20,000 megawatts.

The island needs power plants more efficient than those fueled by conventional fossil fuels, he said.

Nuclear power plants are safer than those that run on fossil fuels, as the latter need fuel processors to make them pollution free, he said.

Officials said feasibility and impact studies on the nuclear plant to be built on the northern coast of central Java would be completed by 1991.

Indonesia, a major southeast Asian oil producer, churns out some 1.4 million barrels of crude a day.

But Indonesian officials and Western analysts have both warned that the country could turn into a net oil importer by the end of the century unless resources are managed well and alternative energy sources are developed.

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#90240d3230 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (AUG. 28) - Australia's unadjusted current account deficit for July rose to 1.73 billion Australian dollars (1.4 billion U.S.), a 33 percent rise on the previous month, the Bureau of Statistics reported Tuesday.

The unadjusted merchandise trade balance recorded a deficit of 300 million dollars (247 million U.S.) compared to a surplus of 299 million dollars (246 million U.S.) in June.

Imports rose 25 percent in July to 4.42 billion dollars (3.6 billion U.S.) while exports only rose seven percent to 4.12 billion dollars (3.4 billion U.S.).

The figure was higher than the 1.3 billion dollar (1.1 billion U.S.) deficit recorded in June but below the 1.94 billion dollar deficit (1.6 billion U.S.) notched in July 1989.

The bureau also said that Australia's net foreign debt fell to 124.53 billion dollars (102.5 billion U.S.) in the June quarter from 124.95 billion dollars (102.9 billion U.S.) in the March quarter.

Net foreign debt, which was 109.9 billion dollars (90.5 billion U.S.) a year ago, fell because the Australian dollar had surged in value against the U.S. dollar during the period.

The unadjusted current account deficit for July was within the 1.6 billion to 1.9 billion dollars forecast by analysts.

The Australian dollar surged from 83.10 U.S. cents to a high of 83.55 U.S. cents after the deficit was released, more than half a cent above Monday's close of 82.90 U.S. cents.

Treasurer Paul Keating last week said that Australia would post a current account deficit of 18 billion dollars (14.8 billion U.S.) in the year to June 30, 1991 compared to a 20.7 billion (17 billion U.S.) shortfall in the previous 12 months.

The seasonally adjusted current account deficit was 1.23 billion dollars (1.01 billion U.S.), about 21 percent lower than the 1.56 billion dollar (1.28 billion U.S.) deficit recorded in June.

The bureau said the unadjusted merchandise trade balance for July showed a surplus of 163 million dollars (134 million U.S.) after a deficit of 11 million (9.1 million U.S.) in June.

The current account measures the difference in value between ingoing and outgoing transactions in goods, services, incomes and transfers.

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#90240d3290 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 28) - Japan's economy is continuing to expand, helped by strong domestic demand despite the recent surge in oil prices, the government's Economic Planning Agency (EPA) said Tuesday.

In a monthly economic report, the agency said domestic demand has been buoyed by brisk corporate capital spending and strong personal consumption.

The latest economic assessment pushed Japan's current streak of economic expansion into its 45th month in August. The economy surpassed the previous post-war second-longest growth record of 42 months in May.

The report said: "The (Japanese) economy is still on an expansionary track with domestic demand maintaining its strength, corporate sales and earnings increasing, and the number of employees steadily on the rise."

An agency official said at a briefing that the effects of the Middle East crisis have not been felt yet on economic activity, except financial markets.

The official shrugged off the possibility that the current volatility in financial markets will threaten economic growth, since a major downturn in the market early this year had little discernible negative impact on the overall economy.

But he cautioned that there might be repercussions from soaring oil prices in the months to come as high-priced crude oil will start arriving in September.

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#90240d3440 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (AUG. 28) - South Korea is putting its money and gifted engineers in the field where analysts say lies the country's economic future: the semi-conductor industry.

For this South Korea is relying on what it knows best -- mixing large conglomerates which can summon up huge resources with some government planning and a lot of backing, a formula that has brought it success.

"This is a high-risk industry where an unimaginable amount of potential profits is involved, and losses as well," said Ju Dae-Young, an analyst with the Korea Institute for Economy and Technology (KIET).

"You can say the country's economic future depends on whether we can catch up with advanced countries in this field," Ju said.

Semi-conductors, the basic component of modern electronics, are needed for almost all industries, ranging from toys, home appliances to planes, cars and plant automation.

An official of the Trade and Industry Ministry said international competition was so fierce that the government and local firms did not want publicity about their efforts in the billion dollar industry.

He said however that the government and local firms had set aside at least 265 million dollars to develop the 64-mega Dynamic Random Access Memory (D-RAM) and further improve the recently developed 16-mega D-RAM until 1993.

The government will also offer tax holidays and other favors to back up the semi-conductor industry, said the official.

Government statistics show that semi-conductors take up a large share of the South Korea's electronic products and its exports.

The 1989 export volume amounted to four billion dollars, or more than five per cent of its overall exports. This year, volume is projected to be around 4.3 billion dollars, some 14.6 per cent of the world market.

The lion's share of the exports was contributed by Samsung Electronics Co., one of the country's most promising companies and a subsidiary of the giant Samsung Group, which has 26 other subsidiaries.

Samsung Electronics triumphantly announced earlier this month that it had developed its own 16-mega D-RAM, bringing the country on par with the United States and Japan in memory chip technology.

The 13th largest electronics company in terms of semi-conductor production, Samsung Electronics plans to invest one billion dollars within two years for the mass-production of the memory chips.

Beside Samsung, at least two other South Korean business groups are also involved in the semi-conductor industry.

Lucky-GoldStar Co., which produced the first locally made radios in 1959, plans to invest more than two billion dollars by 1996 in the semi-conductor field.

Hyundai Electronics, a subsidiary of Hyundai Business Group, is concentrating on developing semi-conductors using new materials.

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#90240d3620 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (AUG. 28) - Australian Treasurer Paul Keating ruled out further interest rates cuts Tuesday following the release of July balance of payments figures, as Australia's biggest bank, Westpac Banking Corp., cut its prime interest rate.

Mr. Keating told reporters that the 33 percent rise in the July current account deficit to 1.73 billion Australian dollars (1.4 billion U.S.) on the previous month did not justify a further easing in monetary policy.

But Westpac said it would reduce its prime rate by 0.25 percentage points to 17.5 percent on September 7.

Stuart Fowler, Westpac's managing director, said the move was in response to lower interest rates following the easing of monetary policy in early August.

Canberra has relaxed its tight monetary policy this year following evidence that the economy has slowed.

Mr. Keating said the July figures showed exports had risen seven per cent during the month and that the current account deficit was narrowing on a seasonally adjusted basis.

Asked if there would be a further easing of monetary policy in the months ahead, Mr. Keating said: "I don't think those figures argue for that."

Mr. Keating said the July seasonally adjusted current account figure of 1.23 billion dollars (1.01 billion U.S.) was the second lowest since September 1988 and 11.2 percent lower than the average of the previous three months.

Canberra boosted interest rates last year as its answer to Australia's perpetual current account deficit, foreign debt and inflation.

The Bureau of Statistics said Tuesday that net foreign debt fell to 124.53 billion dollars (102.5 billion U.S.) in the June quarter from 124.95 billion dollars (102.9 billion U.S.) in the March quarter.

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#90240d3870 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 28) - Pakistan will begin to airlift an infantry brigade of 5,000 men to Saudi Arabia in the coming days as its contribution to the multinational force in the Gulf, military sources here said Tuesday.

The airlift will take several days due to "logistic reasons," they said.

The Pakistani troops will be under Saudi command and will join military contingents from other Moslem countries, including Syria and Egypt, the sources said.

The brigade, including artillery, ordnance, logistics and communications experts, will take along a certain amount of unspecified materiel, but most heavy equipment will be provided by the Saudis, they said.

Pakistan, an ally of both Washington and Riyadh, announced on August 13 that it would join "other Islamic (military) contingents for the defense of Saudi Arabaia."

The decision, taken one week after the dismissal of Premier Benazir Bhutto, has come under criticism, although an opinion poll published Monday by The Nation newspaper showed it was backed by a majority of the population.

The poll also said 62 percent of those surveyed were opposed to the U.S. military presence in Saudi Arabia following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90240d3930 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ADDIS ABABA (AUG. 28) - Ethiopian President Mengistu Haile Mariam has called for more stringent international sanctions against Iraq to force it out of Kuwait, the Ethiopian News Agency (ENA) reported.

Lieutenant Colonel Mengistu told Abdul Mohsen al-Jeea'an, an envoy of the exiled Kuwaiti emir, that Ethiopia would support "any international measures against (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein until he leaves Kuwait," ENA said.

Lt. Col. Mengistu described the August 2 invasion of Kuwait as "a flagrant violation of the United Nations charter" and pledged Ethiopian support for U.N. Security Council resolutions condemning Iraq, ENA reported Monday.

Delivering a message from the Kuwaiti emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, the Kuwaiti envoy thanked Ethiopia for its strong opposition to the invasion and said the country had shown it was "a friend indeed," ENA said.

Lt. Col. Mengistu accused Iraq on Sunday of supporting the 30-year-old secessionist war in Ethiopia's northern province of Eritrea.

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#90240d4020 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG 28) - A Soviet police general was killed in a car crash in Moscow Monday, newspapers here reported Tuesday.

Colonel-General Serguei Kupreyev, head of the political department of the Russian federation's Interior Ministry, died of injuries received when his chauffeur-driven black Volga car crashed with a truck during morning rush-hour on a Moscow boulevard.

The chauffeur was injured, newspapers said.

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#90240d4050 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Singapore (AUG. 28) - The Kuwait-based Gulf Bank may set up its operational headquarters in Singapore if the Iraqi occupation continues, a director of the Gulf Bank, Najib H.M. al-Saleh said Tuesday.

He told reporters Singapore was an ideal location because it ''is a major banking and financial centre in Southeast Asia.

''With all our 30 branches in Kuwait shut down following the Iraqi invasion of our country on August 2, we think Singapore is a natural place in which to get started up immediately because our bank's sole overseas branch is in Singapore,'' al-Saleh said.

The bank's only other office outside Kuwait is its European representative office in London.

''We intend to continue our operations because we enjoy the financial support of the Kuwaiti Ministry of Finance and the Central Bank of Kuwait '' Al-Saleh said.

Al-Saleh, who arrived here Sunday together with Stuart Webster, the special

adviser and Acting Chief General Manager of Gulf Bank, held talks Monday with officials of the Monetary Authority of Singapore (Mas) and other bankers.

Webster said Mas officials were extremely supportive and understanding about the bank's position.

Webster said the Kuwaiti government holds a 10 per cent equity stake in the Gulf Bank. The shareholders are mainly private Kuwaiti individuals and institutions, and only one of the bank directors is a representative of the Kuwaiti government, he said.

The Singapore branch of the Gulf Bank, set up in 1983, manages approximately 15 per cent of the bank's total assets world-wide.

As of last December 31, Gulf Bank had total assets of 1.95 billion Kuwaiti dinars, equivalent to about 7 billion U.S. dollars.

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#90240d4070 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (AUG. 28) - At least 25 people were feared killed or swept away in landslides and floods brought on by torrential rains in low-lying tropical regions south of Kathmandu, but only 19 were confirmed dead on Tuesday.

Heavy loss of life, property and standing paddy crops hit the districts of Rupandehi, Rautahat, Chitwan, Nawalparasi and Makwanpur to the southeast and southwest of Kathmandu, according to unofficial sources.

A home ministry spokesman said at least nine people were swept away by torrential floods in Butwal in Rupandehi district, 260 kilometres (160 miles) southwest of Kathmandu. Two were injured, and an elderly woman died in the incident, while the other six were listed as missing.

Floods have disrupted traffic along various national highways. Parts of the Prithivi highway to Pokhara were damaged. At least 261 houses were swept away by the torrential Rapti and Lothar rivers.

The spokesman added that army personnel evacuated 381 people from Jitpur-Pipale near Mugling, 90 km (56 miles) west of Kathmandu.

A bus, a truck and a motorcycle were engulfed by a landslide on the Chure hill, 80 km (50 miles) south of Kathmandu, on Sunday night. More than 140 passengers including 30 foreign tourists were rescued in the incident, the spokesman said.

He would not reveal the identity of the foreigners, who were riding in the

bus, but he said they were rescued by army personnel.

-30- 1598
#90240d4100 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 28) - Malaysian share prices extended their gains from last week's sharp losses spurred by strong buying interest in line with sharp gains in overseas bourses, brokers said Tuesday.

"There was bullish buying in the morning. After that there was some profit taking," one broker said, adding that the volatility of the market in the past few days had created big opportunities for speculators.

Brokers said investors were overreacting to the technical recovery here and elsewhere just as they had overreacted to bearish sentiments last week.

The Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange Composite Index gained 13.16 points or two percent to close at 534.62 points after peaking at 539.89 points in the early afternoon before investors took profit.

Gainers outnumbered losers 151 to 36 while 33 counters were unchanged.

Turnover amounted to 90.469 million shares valued at 181.466 million dollars compared with 93.456 million units valued at 171.428 million dollars Monday.

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#90240d4540 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Hong Kong (AUG. 28) - The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corp., the colony's biggest bank, said Tuesday its earnings for the first half of 1990 fell to 1.53 billion Hongkong dollars (196 million U.S. dollars), down 20.7 per cent from the same period last year.

The bank described the outlook for the rest of the year as ''not encouraging'' and commented that current events in the Middle East are likely to damage prospects of economic growth.

The results were announced following the close of the market. Most analysts believe that the bank's shares will take a hammering when the market opens on Wednesday.

The poor results ran exactly opposite of predictions by most analysts who had foreseen a profits rise of at least 10 percent.

Higher provisions against loan portfolios primarily in the developed countries was one factor in the results. The bank was also hard hit by the performance of its Marine Midland Bank subsidiary in the U.S. which lost

19.8 million dollars in the first half of 1990.

-30- 1215
#90240d4580 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 28) - Malaysia's national oil company Petronas has agreed to sell an additional 10,000 barrels of oil a day to India to help ease a supply shortfall created by the Gulf crisis, a company official said Tuesday.

Officials of the Indian Oil Corp. (IOC) were here last week to negotiate terms for the supply of the additional oil for one year in return for which Malaysia is asking for naptha, the official said.

The agreement is to be signed between IOC and PETCO, Petronas' marketing arm, and the first cargo will be shipped in October, the official said.

India, which is heavily dependent on oil from Iraq and Kuwait, currently buys 10,000 barrels of oil a day under term arrangement with PETCO.

Malaysia has also committed itself to supplying 5,000 barrels of oil a day to the Philippines, which is similarly hit by the United Nations oil embargo imposed on Iraq following its invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Petronas officials said the national oil company would meet its commitments to India and the Philippines from oil normally sold on the spot market and from increased production.

Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad said Monday that Malaysia was prepared to boost its oil production to the maximum of 650,000 barrels per day from the current 605,000 barrels if there were urgent requests from other countries.

Malaysia raised its production by 10,000 barrels in mid-August to help meet the requirments of countries hit by the U.N. embargo.

-30- 1688
#90240d4600 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 28) - The plunge in Japanese stock and bond prices accompanied by the yen's decline earlier this year has had little impact on the outlook for capital investment, a leading Japanese bank said Tuesday.

"There is continuing enthusiasm for such investment," Long-Term Bank of Japan Ltd. said in its annual survey of corporate investment plans. "The feared impact (from the so-called 'triple declines') has not been felt."

The bank said that, based on responses to the survey, total investment in

plant and equipment was forecast to grow 14.3 percent this year, up from 14.1 percent last year and marking the third double-digit increase in a row.

Capital investment in Japan's manufacturing sector is forecast to jump 20.1 percent while investment in other industries is expected to grow at a slower rate of 11.5 percent, the bank said.

The plunge in stock and bond prices and the yen's decline have not influenced investment plans partly because "companies continued to feel they did not have sufficient equipment," it said.

Other factors include a high level of corporate profits, ample liquidity and a high ratio of investment in new businesses.

The bank noted, however, that unfavourable factors were increasing and could affect the growth in capital investment by small and medium-sized firms.

These factors include increases in fund-raising costs arising from higher interest rates, higher crude oil prices and a slowdown in corporate profitability reflecting rising wage costs in Japan.

The survey of 1,492 companies was carried out after the 25 percent slump in share prices earlier this year but does not take into account the market's latest plunge since Iraq invaded Kuwait.

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#90240d4670 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (AUG. 28) - Police and army units have been placed on alert in Nepal to guard against violence after the submission of a draft constitution to King Birendra, expected Sunday, informed sources said Tuesday.

Prime Minister Krishna Prasad Bhattarai, a member of the Nepali Congress Party, has urged party workers to ''make door-to-door visits and alert the people to refrain from anything that may cause untoward incidents.''

Political parties have demanded that their views be incorporated into the document, threatening to take to the streets ''if the constitution is not democratic enough.''

Among the issues being raised is the role of the Nepalese monarch, who in the past enjoyed absolute power, and whether Hinduism would be retained as the country's official religion.

The drive for a new multi-party constitution was launched on February 18,

culminating in the lifting of the ban on political parties and the formation of an interim coalition government.

The coalition, comprising the Nepali Congress Party and a seven-party Communist grouping known as the United Left Front, was given the task of drafting the new constitution.

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#90240d4730 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 28) - A cadre convicted of taking nearly 50,000 dollars in bribes and three peasants who stole electrical transformers have been sentenced to death in China's four-month-old anti-crime campaign, newspapers reported Tuesday.

Zhang Guorong, director of the Hanyang District Office of Overseas Chinese Affairs, was executed Saturday in Wuhan, in the central province of Hubei, after being found guilty of taking a bribe of 228,000 yuan (48,407 dollars), the China Daily reported.

The official English-language daily said the Wuhan intermediary court also sentenced 10 others -- "shop managers, factory directors and bank clerks" -- to prison terms for having taken bribes or misappropriating funds totalling more than one million yuan (212,314 dollars).

The Peasants' Daily reported that three farmers it identified as Ren Yinli,

Yang Jingxun et Zai Bingwu, from northeastern Hebei province, were sentenced to death at a public trial for having stolen 23 transformers.

It did not say when the trial took place, nor whether they were executed immediately after sentencing, which is the general practice in China.

Another newspaper, the Liaoning Legal Daily, reported Monday that courts in the northern city of Shenyang had sentenced 35 people to death in mass public trials on August 16 alone.

It said one Shenyang court had sentenced 25 people to die in a public trial on July 5, but later suspended the sentences of four of them.

Official newspapers also reported that 41 people -- murderers, robbers, thieves, gunrunners, a rapist and a pimp -- were executed in the southern city of Guangzhou on June 27, immediately after sentencing.

China's current law-and-order campaign began in May in a bid to curb crime,

officials said, in the run-up to the Asian Games to be held here between September 22 and October 7.

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#90240d4820 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TUNIS (AUG. 28) - Jordan has proposed a simultaneous withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait and foreign troops from the Gulf as a first step toward a negotiated settlement in the standoff between Iraq and the West, Tunis Radio reported here Tuesday.

The radio said the plan, currently being promoted by King Hussein of Jordan, calls for the replacement of Iraqi troops in Kuwait by Arab units and negotiations between Iraqi and Kuwaiti authorities to settle their differences within a year.

The proposal is similar to that of Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat, who since Saturday has visited Jordan, Iraq and Yemen.

King Hussein meanwhile held a second round of talks here Tuesday with President Zine al-Abdine bin Ali, official sources said.

The Jordanian leader also had a second meeting here with Mahmoud Abbas, a key member of the PLO's executive committee.

Both Jordan and the PLO, which have shown support for Iraq in the current crisis, maintain that a solution must be found "in an Arab framework, far removed from any foreign - notably American - intervention," said the Palestinian news agency WAFA.

An estimated 45,000 U.S. air and ground troops have been deployed in Saudi Arabia and other Western nations have dramatically boosted their naval presence in the Gulf since Iraq's August 2 seizure of Kuwait.

King Hussein, clearly alarmed at the prospect of a military showdown, has embarked on a 10-nation tour of North Africa and Western Europe to seek "an Arab and international" solution.

He was to leave here later Tuesday for Algeria and would also visit Mauritania and Morocco.

He begins a tour of Spain, Britain, West Germany, France and Italy on Thursday.

-30- 1937
#90240d5080 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VIENNA (AUG. 28) - OPEC ministers have postponed until Wednesday a meeting set to finalize a decision on raising crude oil production to

offset a cutback in supply because of a U.N. embargo on Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

Iran earlier blocked what some of its partners hoped would be an eleven-nation consensus, rejecting a deal allowing member countries with spare production capacity to boost their output immediately to steady market conditions until they return to normal.

Dr. Subroto, secretary general of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) announced early Tuesday afternoon that the meeting had been postponed until Wednesday.

He said the ministers had to await responses from Iraq and Libya to an invitation extended to both countries to attend a formal meeting of OPEC's ministerial monitoring committee, empowered to adjust the organization's production levels.

Although invited, Iraq and Libya have stayed away from "informal consultations" held here since Sunday by their 11 OPEC partners.

The talks followed insistent demands by Saudi Arabia and Venezuela, backed by Arab producers in the Gulf, for official OPEC endorsement of plans to pump an extra three million barrels a day of oil to lessen the cutbacks in world supply caused by the U.N. embargo.

As ministers of the 10 other OPEC members represented here met together in a Vienna hotel, for what was initially billed as their final session, Iranian oil minister Gholamreza Aghazadeh told reporters an OPEC decision to boost output now would be "a big mistake."

He said Iran could not accept the deal, and went for a walk in a Vienna park instead of attending the midday plenary meeting.

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#90240d5220 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AUG. 28) - The radio crackles as a voice booms across the desert, seeking to demoralise U.S. soldiers deployed across miles of Saudi desert facing unseen Iraqi troops.

"You, American soldier in the Saudi desert," says the anonymous male voice in imperfect English.

"Your family are suffering ... Your children are waiting for you, your wife is waiting for you. You might have a lover. She is always waiting for you " the voice says.

Melancholy music accompanies such messages, which are broadcast by official

Baghdad Radio on short wave and beamed to U.S. soldiers sweltering in the pitiless desert heat.

The radio also attempts to intimidate GIs by reminding them of the awesome power of Iraq's one-million man army.

"You, American soldier in the Saudi desert, you are facing the (strongest) army in the region, the most integrated army in the world ... it has sophisticated weapons. It has men that don't fear death."

"Is your interest to fight against it?" the voice asks, after recalling that the Iraqi army gained valuable experience in a brutal eight-year conflict with Iran.

The broadcast indulges in a degree of fantasy as well in its campaign to unnerve the estimated 45,000 U.S. ground and air forces that have been deployed in Saudi Arabia following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

"Didn't you hear that sand heaps (dunes) in the Arabian desert are moving and that they swallowed many people and they will swallow you?" the voice asks.

"There are 200 churches in Iraq. How do you want to kill the Christians and to be killed by them?"

According to various estimates between 550,000 and 1.5 million Christians live in Iraq, where the total population stands at 17 million people.

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#90240d5330 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (AUG. 28) - Scandinavian airline and hotel group SAS said Tuesday its pre-tax profit fell almost 40 percent in the first half of this year to 369 million kroner (61.5 million dollars).

The group had a pre-tax profit of 593 million kroner (98.9 million dollars) in the same period last year.

Group president Jean Carlzon said the first half results were unsatisfactory and "a development which we cannot accept."

SAS would take "a series of measures to improve the economic situation of the group," he added.

The group's central activity, its airline operation, saw its profit fall from 416 to 128 million kroner (69.3 to 21.3 million dollars) during the first six months of this year, largely due to the fall of the dollar and the yen.

Turnover in the airline sector was however up to 10.40 billion kroner (1.73 billion dollarsa) from 9.5 billion (1.58 billion dollars), while total group turnover rose to 15.2 billion kroner (2.5 billion dollars) from 13.74 billion (2.3 billion dollars).

SAS is planning to shed parts of the group it does not consider indispensable to its activities, such as selling 50 percent of its stake in Swedish domestic airline Linjeflyg or the merger of its loss-making Scanair charter subsidiary with another northern European airline.

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#90240d5470 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (AUG. 28) - Citing rising costs and expenditures for its fleet expansion, the West German airline Lufthansa said Tuesday it lost three million Deutschmarks (1.93 million dollars) in the first half of 1990.

By comparison, the company posted a surplus of 87 million marks in the same period a year ago.

Lufthansa said that it flew nearly 10.5 million passengers in the first half of 1990, up 10.5 percent on the same period a year ago, with overall turnover rising seven percent to 5.7 billion marks.

Among other factors, Lufthansa said, the losses stemmed from the fact that the money spent on new airplanes had not yet been recovered by operations. Rising personnel and fuel costs, higher fees, a decline in freight turnover and flight delays were also factors.

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#90240d5540 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 28) - The United Arab Emirates' state-owned oil firm Abu Dhabi National Oil Co. has withdrawn its earlier decision to cut its crude oil supply to Japan, officials said here Tuesday.

The company said in early August that it would cut crude oil exports to Japan by 10 per cent beginning with the September load.

It told Japan's governmental Natural Resources and Energy Agency recently that it would continue exporting 200,000 barrels a day to Japan and was ready to increase the volume if Japan wished, the officials said.

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#90240d5550 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 28) - The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a

600,000 dollar grant to the Dhaka-based International Jute Organization (IJO) and a 489,000 dollar grant to a study of the external debt of the ADB's South Pacific Developing Member Countries, bank statements said.

The grant to the IJO will go to establishing a coordinated regional breeding program to produce high-yielding and widely adaptable varieties of jute, kenaf and mesta, the Manila-based ADB said.

This will include a research network of participating countries including Bangladesh, India, Nepal, China, Thailand and Indonesia, the ADB said.

The second grant will go to assisting the finance ministries and central banks of the Cook Islands, Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Tonga and Western Samoa to improve their capacity to monitor, analyze, evaluate and advise on matters relating to their external debt, the ADB said.

A Debt Recording and Management System will be established in each country, the ADB added.

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#90240d5560 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 28) - Japan's Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. said Tuesday its net consolidated profit grew 11 percent from a year earlier to 58.3 billion yen (381 million dollars) in the three months to June.

The company -- the world's biggest consumer electronics concern and the manufacturer of National, Panasonic and Technics equipment -- said sales rose 13 percent to 1,576 billion yen (10.3 billion dollars) in the same period.

Domestic sales grew seven percent to 845 billion yen (5.5 billion dollars) but were outpaced by a 20 percent jump in overseas sales, which reached 731 billion yen (4.8 billion dollars), a statement said.

The overall increase in sales was led by communication and industrial products including personal computers, printers and telephone equipment which rose 22 percent to 376 billion yen (2.5 billion dollars), a statement said.

But the biggest component remained video equipment, whose sales rose seven percent to 394 billion yen (2.6 billion dollars) with flat demand for video recorders offset by higher sales of televisions, particularly advanced models.

Sales of audio equipment advanced 17 percent to 138 billion yen (903 million dollars), led by headphone cassette players and compact-disc units with radio and cassette functions.

Home appliance sales climbed eight percent to 234 billion yen (1.5 billion dollars), led by washing machines, while sales of electronic parts rose at the same rate to reach 205 billion yen (1.4 billion dollars). Sales of battery and kitchen products jumped 16 percent to 78 billion yen (508 million dollars).

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#90240d5570 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 28) - Acec-Union Miniere (AUM) SA of Belgium, the world's biggest zinc miner, on Tuesday announced it had taken a large minority stake in a Mexican mine that is a leading copper producer.

The stake has been acquired through a 21-per-cent holding in Mexicana de Cananea SA de CV, a company formed with Mexicana de Cobre, a mining firm affiliated to Grupo Mexico, AUM said.

Mexicana de Cananea has a capital in Mexican pesos equivalent to 390 million dollars, of which 305 million has been paid by Mexicana de Cobre, it said.

AUM said the new owners of the Cananea mine would seek to make a big expansion in ouput, which has a capacity of 150,000 tonnes of copper per year, sustainable for half a century, it said.

AUM added that it had reached an agreement with Mexicana de Cobre to step up guaranteed delivery of raw copper.

Under a contract signed in September, AUM was to receive a guaranteed 48,000 tonnes per year; this will now be hiked to 90,000 tonnes thanks to production from Cananea, the statement said.

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#90240d6090 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TURIN, ITALY (AUG. 28) - Italian auto maker Fiat said Tuesday it was laying off 35,000 workers for three weeks because of falling car sales.

The lay-offs will affect 12 of Fiat's 21 plants in Italy and will be carried out between September and December.

The move was the result of concern over the automobile market and was not sparked by the Gulf crisis or its effect on petrol prices, Fiat said.

The auto market saw a marked slowdown in June after several years of expansion, and while auto makers have not yet released sales figures for July and August, the signs are not good for the domestic Italian market,

which represents more than 50 percent of Fiat sales.

Fiat is holding up well on foreign markets, however, with initial figures from West Germany showing a 5.5 percent market share in July, up from 4.4 percent in the same month last year, while the French market share is up from 7.4 percent to 7.7.

Fiat employs a total of 117,000 people.

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#90240d6150 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (AUG. 28) - The West German monopolies office said Tuesday it would investigate five petrol retailers for alleged price fixing.

The price of petrol has risen five-fold in West Germany since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2, but price rises by various companies have been so similar, both in amount and timing, that the monopolies office believes the rules of free competition are being infringed.

The companies under investigation are Aral, BP, Esso, DEA and Shell, the monopolies office said in a statement.

It stressed that its investigation concerned only the Hamburg region.

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#90240d6220 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (AUG. 28) - Denmark's draft budget for 1991 calls for a deficit of 16.1 billion kroner (2.7 billion dollars), two percent of gross national product, an improvement of around five billion kroner on the 1990 deficit.

But in presenting his draft budget on Tuesday, Finance Minister Henning Dyremose said the deficit was "unsatisfactory". He noted it had been "calculated before the Gulf crisis and the surge in oil prices" and that it depended on savings of 7.7 billion kroner in government spending.

The latter cuts involve less aid to the unemployed and a reduction in public sector employees.

The budget forecasts that the balance of payments, in deficit for more than a quarter-century now, will show a deficit of eight billion kroner (1.3 billion dollars) next year, against 11 billion (1.8 billion dollars) anticipated for this year.

The opposition Social Democrats have denounced cuts in assistance for the poorest classes, and have urged the government to find savings in other

sectors. Bank experts say the 1991 deficit could actually exceed 20 billion kroner, since the government's forecast is based on oil at 19 dollars a barrel. One of them cited "the government economists' outlandish optimism in having forecast a slight budget surplus for 1990, whereas there will actually be a deficit of about 22 billion kroner".

Government spending for 1991 is estimated in the draft budget at 307.5 billion kroner, the same as this year, while receipts are estimated at 291.4 billion kroner.

The biggest spending item is 60 billion kroner for interest on the national debt of 500 billion kroner. Pensions amount to 58.3 billion, subsidies to communes to 30.8 billion, and unemployment compensation to 23.1 billion.

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#90240d6230 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOGNE, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 28) - West German airline Lufthansa said Tuesday it carried 10.5 million passengers in the first half of the year, a 10 percent increase on the same period in 1989.

Turnover in the first half was up seven percent over the first half of last year, at 5.7 billion Deutsche marks (3.5 billion dollars).

The increase had been hit by the fact that the dollar and yen were particularly weak against the Deutsche mark during the period, Lufthansa said.

The airline invested 1.1 billion Deutsche marks (687 million dollars) in renewing its 161-strong fleet of aircraft during the period, when it ordered three Boeing 737's, four 747's and 13 planes from the European consortium Airbus Industrie.

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#90240d6630 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 28) - The optimism about the Gulf crisis that had been visible Monday on the Paris Bourse evaporated on Tuesday, leading to a 1.13 percent drop in the CAC 40 stock price index in what operators called very volatile and nervous trading.

The index had jumped by 5.09 percent on Monday and opened on Tuesday with a 0.32 percent gain, but it then moved into the loss column. Analysts said Iraq's decision announced Tuesday to annex Kuwait struck the market as a "provocation", destroying hopes for a diplomatic solution of the Gulf crisis.

They added that the Monday jump had taken place "in a vacuum", in that the

British, the biggest foreign investors on the Paris market, were absent because of a British holiday.

There was some profit-taking on Tuesday in quiet trading. Analysts added that the market had risen too fast on Friday and Monday (more than nine percent for the two days together) to be sustained, and a correction was called for.

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#90240d6700 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) - World number one Stefan Edberg crashed out of the US Open in the first round here Tuesday, losing in straight sets to Alexander Volkov of the Soviet Union.

Edberg, who only three weeks ago surpassed Ivan Lendl in the computer rankings, fell 3-6, 6-7 (3-7), 2-6 on the stadium court.

Edberg, 24, came into the Open having won four straight singles titles, including Wimbledon, and 21 consecutive matches.

Volkov, a 23-year-old from Moscow, came to Flushing Meadows ranked 52nd in the world.

He has not won a tournament this year.

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#90240d6980 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 28) - Former Guinness chairman Ernest Saunders, once one of Britain's most respected captains of industry, was sentenced to five years in prison here Tuesday for illegal manipulation of Guinness shares during a heated takeover battle for Scottish whisky maker Distillers.

In a charged courtroom finale to Britain's most far-reaching share scandal ever, Justice Denis Henry told Mr. Saunders he had been guilty of "dishonesty on a massive scale" and had "encouraged" illegal stock activities in his effort to win control of Distillers in the 1986 takeover battle.

Mr. Saunders, 54, was then sentenced to five years' imprisonment on two charges of conspiracy and two of theft and was given an additional sentence of three-and-a-half years on eight charges of false accounting, with the sentences to be served concurrently.

Two other defendants in the Guinness trial, Heron International chairman Gerald Ronson, aged 50, and former stockbroker Anthony Parnes, aged 45, were given shorter prison terms but also ordered to pay massive fines.

Mr. Ronson's fine of five million pounds (9.5 million dollars) was nearly 10 times higher than any fine previously imposed in a British court.

In addition to the fine, Mr. Ronson was ordered to pay 440,000 (836,000 dollars) in court costs and sentenced to a year in jail.

In a dramatic interruption during the sentencing, Mr. Parnes collapsed as Justice Henry was addressing Mr. Saunders. He slumped over a desk and his wife Denise shouted "Oh my God" and rushed to his side.

Mr. Parnes was sentenced to two-and-a-half years in jail and also ordered to pay 440,000 pounds in court costs.

A fourth defendant in the trial, 74-year-old millionaire financier Sir Jack Lyons, was also convicted on charges of conspiracy, fraud and theft but had his sentencing postponed until September 25 for medical reasons.

Jail sentences had been expected as a conclusion to what the influential daily Financial Times described as "the City trial of the century" but the length of the terms clearly caught City insiders by surprise.

"Everybody thought he would go down, but most thought he would get two or three years at most," said one merchant banker, referring to Mr. Saunders.

"Considering everything he has gone through in the last four years, the sentence seems pretty harsh."

Another stockbroker said the sentences had "obviously been pitched to deter others from similar activities."

The Guinness scandal broke shortly after the conviction and jailing of Wall Street mogul Ivan Boesky and information uncovered during that trial was used to bring Mr. Saunders and the other defendants to court.

As a result, the Guinness proceedings took on a larger-than-life aspect and were cast in the British media as both a trial of four leading business figures and a public reckoning with the ethic of greed in the workings of the City.

In his final remarks to the defendants, Justice Henry said the case had been about the "corruption of commercial life" in Britain and noted that "metaphors of war were invariably used to describe" City takeover battles.

"In such takeovers the stakes were high and the pressures intense and the rewards of success potentially corrupting," Justice Henry said.

Charges were brought against Mr. Saunders and the other defendants when it

became clear that Guinness had made illegal multi-million pound payments to entice key investors into purchasing Guinness shares.

This resulted in artificially inflated Guinness share prices, the appearance that Guinness's 2.7 billion-pound (five billion-dollar) bid for Distillers was more attractive than it really was and Guinness's victory over food group Argyll for control of the whisky manufacturer.

Mr. Saunders' son James described the sentence against his father as "appalling" and said appeal proceedings would begin immediately.

Opposition politicians meanwhile greeted the sentences with satisfaction.

Doug Hoyle, chairman of the Labour Party's trade and industry committee, said: "At long last justice has been done in relation to a City swindle."

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#90240d7200 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 28) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

	cash	forward
Copper	1,533.00 (1,526.00)	1,501.50 (1,495.50)
Lead	450.00 (454.50)	456.75 (461.25)
Zinc Sh	1,652.50 (1,537.50)	1,543.50 (1,539.00)
Tin	5,970.00 (5,935.00)	6,087.50 (6,055.00)
Aluminium	1,804.00 (1,796.50)	1,822.50 (1,812.50)
Nickel	10,900.00 (10,625.00)	10,737.00 (10,475.00)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90240d7710 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (AUG. 28) - The Irish government proposed Tuesday to change the law to give a respite to firms in difficulty due to the Gulf crisis, particularly the empire of "meat king" Larry Goodman, whose meat exports to Iraq have been interrupted.

Trade and Industry Minister Desmond O'Malley told Parliament that Mr. Goodman's companies hold unpaid claims of 310 million dollars on Iraq, making it difficult for Goodman International to make payments on its own debts of 795 million dollars.

If the government amendment is voted, Irish companies will be entitled to request legal protection against their creditors for four months at the

most. This is similar to the U.S. "Chapter 11" provision for protecting companies against creditors and would make it possible to avoid court-ordered re-organization or liquidation, at least for a time.

Mr. Goodman, the biggest beef exporter in the European Economic Community (EEC), controls more than half of the Irish meat market, which accounts for about five percent of gross domestic product.

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#90240d7740 08/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 28) - British Petroleum and Statoil announced plans on Tuesday for co-operation in a variety of activities.

The co-operation agreement between the state-owned Norwegian oil company and British Petroleum Co PLC's BP Exploration covers oil and gas exploration and development opportunities in West Africa, offshore China, Vietnam and the USSR, along with plans for joint transport and distribution of gas in Britain and Europe, and joint gas marketing in Britain.

A 20-million-dollar per year joint technical research programme is also part of the co-operation plans.

BP chairman and chief executive Robert Horton called the step "a strengthening of the development of wider co-operation by two of Europe's major energy suppliers."

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#90240e0004 08/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SAO PAULO, Brazil (AUG. 28) EFE - Brazilian police have arrested Italian organized crime boss Umberto Amaturo, who has been convicted in Italy on drug-trafficking and kidnapping charges, officials said.

Amaturo, who is suspected of heading one of the Naples-based Camorra gangs was arrested Thursday when he tried to obtain a Brazilian passport, police in Sao Paulo said Monday.

Amaturo is believed to have escaped Italian authorities when he changed his appearance with plastic surgery.

Brazilian police discovered Amaturo's identity when they compared his fingerprints to their files.

In the early 1980s, Amaturo broke off from the "New Camorra" gang and formed his own organization, the "New Family".

Amaturo, who had been living in the rural town of Juquitiba outside Sao Paulo, is to remain in custody while the courts debate his extradition to Italy.

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#90240e0013 08/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SAN SEBASTIAN, Spain (AUG. 28) EFE - The armed Basque separatist group ETA Tuesday claimed responsibilty for bombing two bars in northern Spain for alleged drug trafficking, authorities reported.

Police said the two bombs had been planted in the doorways of two bars in the Basque city of San Sebastian, 320 km northwest of Madrid, early Tuesday.

They said the explosions caused considerable damage but no injuries.

Shortly before the bombs went off police received telephone calls, saying ETA had planted the devices and alleging the two bars were connected with drug trafficking.

ETA has killed some 600 people, mostly Spanish security force members, in its 22-year-old campaign for the right to independence of northern Spain's Basque region.

The organization has also frequently targeted alleged drug traffickers in its campaign.

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#90240e0024 08/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (AUG. 28) EFE - Colombian security forces have arrested the father of three alleged leading members of the notorious Medellin cocaine trafficking cartel, police said Tuesday.

Horsebreeder Fabio Ochoa Restrepo, 67, was detained late Monday in a sweep on his farm outside the northwestern city of Medellin, from which Colombia's largest and most powerful cocaine cartel takes its name.

A police spokesman said 50 of the rancher's employees were also arrested during the raid.

He added that Ochoa had been detained for 'preventive' reasons, but refused to give further details.

The horsebreeder's fugitive sons, Jorge Luis, Juan David and Fabio, are wanted in the United States on drug trafficking and money laundering charges.

Ochoa has been arrested twice before but released due to a lack of evidence against him.

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#90240e0060 08/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (AUG. 28) EFE - Colombian police Tuesday arrested eight alleged drug traffickers and seized one tonne cocaine in related drug busts which uncovered a major coca leaf processing laboratory, officials said.

The raids took place in the eastern rural region of Guaviare, where 620 kg of cocaine were found, and near the city of Santa Rosa, some 400 km east of Bogota, where the eight men and another 400 kg of cocaine were seized.

The eight men arrested were being held pending a judge's order, the officials said.

In the second bust, police stumbled across a coca leaf processing laboratory, three clandestine runways, an airplane, and thousands of gallons of chemicals used to refine coca leaf.

Coca leaf grown in Peru and Bolivia is smuggled to Colombia for processing into pure cocaine before being sent on to the lucrative U.S. and European markets.

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#90240h0047 08/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (AUG. 28) XINHUA - CHINA HAS BUILT A RADIATION LAB IN SHANGHAI, THE COUNTRY'S LARGEST INDUSTRIAL CENTER, AND IT WILL BE OPEN TO BOTH DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN RESEARCHERS.

THE LAB IS LOCATED AT THE SHANGHAI INSTITUTE OF NUCLEAR RESEARCH UNDER THE CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES.

IT WILL CONCENTRATE ON STUDIES OF DAMAGE DONE BY RADIATION ON BIOLOGICAL TISSUES AND THE MOLECULAR MECHANISM OF DAMAGE-CONTROL MEASURES.

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#90240h0048 08/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 28) XINHUA - TWO AGREEMENTS ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION WERE SIGNED BY THE GOVERNMENTS OF SINGAPORE AND INDONESIA IN INDONESIA'S BATAM ISLAND THIS MORNING.

ONE OF THE AGREEMENTS IS ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF INDONESIA'S RIAU PROVINCE, WHICH PROVIDES COOPERATION IN TRADE, INVESTMENT, TOURISM AND RESORT

DEVELOPMENT AND WATER SUPPLY.

THE OTHER IS ON THE PROTECTION AND PROMOTION OF INVESTMENTS, WHICH WILL PROVIDE THE FRAMEWORK FOR A CONTINUED FLOW OF INVESTMENTS.

THE TWO AGREEMENTS WERE SIGNED BY SINGAPORE TRADE AND INDUSTRY MINISTER LEE HSIEN LOONG AND INDONESIAN COORDINATING MINISTER FOR FINANCE, INDUSTRY AND DEVELOPMENT SUPERVISION RADIUS PRAWIRO.

THE SIGNING WAS WITNESSED BY SINGAPORE PRIME MINISTER LEE KUAN YEW AND INDONESIAN PRESIDENT SOEHARTO, AND SINGAPORE FIRST DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER GOH CHOK TONG.

THE SIGNING WAS IN CONJUNCTION WITH A TOPPING-UP CEREMONY OF BATAM INDUSTRIAL PARK, WHICH HAS BEEN UNDERTAKEN BY A JOINT VENTURE COMPANY, BATAMINDO, FORMED BY TWO SINGAPORE COMPANIES AND AN INDONESIAN FIRM.

THE PROJECT GOT UNDER WAY IN JANUARY THIS YEAR. WITHIN 7 MONTHS, BATAMINDO HAS COMPLETED ITS FIRST FACTORY BLOCK IN THE PARK.

SPEAKING AT THE CEREMONY, LEE HSIEN LOONG SAID THAT SINGAPORE AND INDONESIA HAVE FORMED AN INDONESIA-SINGAPORE JOINT WORKING GROUP TO FACILITATE JOINT PROJECTS IN BATAM ISLAND.

THE GROUP'S WORK FOCUSES ON AREAS SUCH AS CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION PROCEDURES, UTILITIES, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND POWER SUPPLY.

IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THE AGREEMENT ON RIAU PROVINCE, LEE SAID THE TWO COUNTRIES ARE ALSO ESTABLISHING A SIMILAR BILATERAL COMMITTEE.

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#90240h0053 08/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (AUG. 28) XINHUA - THE TANZANIAN GOVERNMENT HAS PREPARED A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO REVAMP THE COUNTRY'S TOURIST INDUSTRY, THE TANZANIA NEWS AGENCY REPORTED TODAY.

THE PLAN SETS A 500 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS TARGET FOR THE COUNTRY'S ANNUAL TOURIST INCOME IN STEAD OF THE CURRENT 40 MIL- LION U.S. DOLLARS.

THE PLAN WILL GIVE TOURIST INSTITUTIONS FIVE YEARS FOR STRU- CTURAL AND MANAGEMENT ADJUSTMENT AND THEN REQUEST THE TOURIST SECTOR TO BECOME THE SECOND BIGGEST FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNER AFTER AGRICULTURE IN 1995.

THE PLAN STIPULATES THAT STATE FINANCIAL BODIES SHOULD PROVIDE LARGE INVESTMENTS TO THE TOURIST SECTOR AND ADOPT MORE EFFECTIVE MEASURES TO ATTRACT FOREIGN INVESTMENTS.

TANZANIA'S TOURISM HAS SHARPLY DECLINED SINCE EARLY 1980'S, DESPITE THE FACT THAT THE COUNTRY HAS RICH NATURAL RESOURCES FOR DEVELOPING TOURISM.

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#90240h0123 08/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (AUG. 28) XINHUA - INDONESIAN TIMBER INDUSTRIES HAVE BEEN DEVELOPING RAPIDLY SINCE THE ISSUANCE OF THE GOVERNMENT'S BAN ON LOG EXPORTS, ACCORDING TO THE INDONESIA TIMES TODAY.

THE PAPER QUOTED FIGURES GIVEN BY AN OFFICIAL AT THE FORESTRY MINISTRY STAND AT THE ON-GOING "RESOURCE INDONESIA '90" IN JAKARTA MONDAY: UP TO 1989, 296 SAWN TIMBER FACTORIES HAD BEEN SET UP IN INDONESIA WITH AN ANNUAL PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 8,803,000 CUBIC METERS.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE NUMBER OF PLYWOOD FACTORIES HAD REACHED 108 WITH A COMBINED PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 7,425,000 CUBIC METERS ANNUALLY.

TIMBER INDUSTRIES HAVE CONTRIBUTED A LARGE AMOUNT TO FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS TO INDONESIA. AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FIFTH FIVE-YEAR DEVELOPMENT PLAN (1989-1994) STARTING APRIL 1989, THE VALUE OF THE COUNTRY'S PROCESSED TIMBER EXPORTS WAS 3,686 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

INDONESIA'S EXPORTS OF NON-TIMBER PRODUCTS IN THE SAME PERIOD STOOD AT 237 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

THE OFFICIAL SAID THAT THREE PULP INDUSTRIES HAVE BEEN SET UP IN INDONESIA WITH A YEARLY PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 630,000 TONS.

LAND REHABILITATION DIRECTOR GENERAL ARMANA DARSIDI HAS SAID THAT INDONESIA'S PULP PRODUCTION TODAY ACCOUNTS FOR FIVE PERCENT OF THE WORLD'S. BUT HE IS CONVINCED THAT IT WILL CONTINUE TO DEVELOP AND THE COUNTRY WILL BECOME ONE OF THE BIGGEST PULP PRODUCER COUNTRIES IN THE FUTURE.

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#90240h0125 08/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 28) XINHUA - INDIA'S MISSILE PROGRAM IS "RUSHING AHEAD" TO TACKLE ANY PROBLEM OF OBSOLESCENCE AND THE ENTIRE SPECTRUM OF INDIGENOUS MISSILES WILL BE READY FOR USE BY 1992-93, INDIAN MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENSE RAJAA RAMANNA TOLD PARLIAMENT TODAY.

THE REVISED COST OF THE MISSILE PROGRAM, HE SAID, WILL BE ABOUT 7,840 MILLION RUPEES (461 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) NOW AGAINST THE ESTIMATE OF 3,838 MILLION RUPEES MADE IN 1983.

EFFORTS ARE NOW BEING MADE TO ENSURE THAT THE MISSILES -- TRISHUL, PRITHVI

AND NAG -- WILL BE MANUFACTURED AND DELIVERIES MADE TO USERS IN A SHORT TIME, HE SAID.

THERE ARE FOUR GUIDED MISSILE SYSTEMS BEING DEVELOPED IN INDIA AT PRESENT, NAMELY TRISHUL, PRITHVI, NAG AND AKASH.

THE MINISTER GAVE SOME DETAILS ABOUT THE PROFILES OF THE MISSILES AS FOLLOWS:

TRISHUL, A SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILE (SAM) WITH A RANGE OF NINE KILOMETERS;

PRITHVI, A LONG-RANGE SURFACE-TO-SURFACE MISSILE WITH A RANGE OF 150 KILOMETERS AND CAPABLE OF CARRYING A ONE-TON WARHEAD, WITH A LESSER WARHEAD IT COULD BE FIRED TO A LONGER RANGE THAN 150 KM;

NAG, AN ANTI-TANK MISSILE WITH A RANGE OF FOUR KILOMETERS. IN A WRITTEN REPLY EARLIER, RAMANNA SAID THE BALLISTIC FLIGHT OF AKASH MISSILE WAS SUCCESSFULLY CARRIED OUT ON AUGUST 14 FROM THE INTERIM TEST RANGE BALASORE IN ORISSA STATE. ALL THE OBJECTIVES WERE FULLY ACHIEVED, HE SAID.

HE TOLD THE HOUSE THAT AKASH IS A MEDIUM-RANGE SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILE SYSTEM WITH THE CAPABILITY TO TAKE ON MULTIPLE AIR BORNE TARGETS, TRYING TO ATTACK A DEFENDED AREA. THE MISSILE HAS A DUAL MODE GUIDANCE AND USES THE MODERN PHASED ARRAY RADAR.

"THE AKASH MISSILE SYSTEM IS BEING ADOPTED IN DIFFERENT VERSIONS FOR US BY OUR SERVICES," HE ADDED.

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LIMA (AUG. 28) XINHUA - PERU IS SLATED TO JOIN THE PACIFIC RIM COOPERATION COUNCIL AS A FULL MEMBER, GORDON PARKINSON, HEAD OF THE NEW ZEALAND TRADE MINISTRY'S AMERICAS DIVISION, SAID HERE MONDAY.

DURING A WORKING SESSION AT PERU'S FOREIGN RELATIONS MINISTRY, PARKINSON, WHO IS ON A VISIT HERE, SAID HIS COUNTRY SUPPORTED PERU'S EAGERNESS TO JOIN THE ORGANIZATION'S COUNCIL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

THE SESSION WAS ALSO ATTENDED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF VARIOUS LOCAL BUSINESS SECTORS.

PERU CURRENTLY HOLDS OBSERVER STATUS WITHIN THE REGIONAL ORGANIZATION WHICH COMPRISES 36 COUNTRIES, INCLUDING JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, CANADA, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND AND SINGAPORE.

THE PACIFIC RIM IS A REGION OF BOTH POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC IMPORTANCE, WHERE 43 PERCENT OF THE WORLD'S POPULATION RESIDES AND 40 PERCENT OF THE

WORLD'S FOREIGN TRADE TAKES PLACE.

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#90240h0132 08/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
MANAGUA (AUG. 28) XINHUA - NICARAGUA HAS TAKEN A MEASURE TO SLASH TAXES ON HUNDREDS OF IMPORTED GOODS GOES INTO EFFECT THIS WEEK IN AN EFFORT TO STIMULATE DOMESTIC PRODUCTION AND LOWER PRICES, FINANCE MINISTER EMILIO PEREIRA ANNOUNCED HERE MONDAY.

AT A PRESS CONFERENCE, PEREIRA ALSO TOLD REPORTERS THAT FROM NOW ON A NICARAGUAN ENTREPRENEUR WHO WANTS TO START A BUSINESS "DOES NOT HAVE TO PAY TAXES EITHER ON MACHINERY OR ON RAW MATERIALS," SINCE THE GOVERNMENT IS ELIMINATING ALL IMPORT TARIFFS ON CAPITAL GOODS AND RAW MATERIALS.

THE GOVERNMENT, PEREIRA SAID, "CLEARLY INVITES THE PRODUCTIVE SECTOR AND THE COMMERCIAL SECTOR TO PARTICIPATE IN PRODUCTION AND THE REACTIVATION OF THE ECONOMY."

IMPORT TARIFFS ON CONSUMABLE GOODS, HE SAID, HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO THE LOWEST IN ALL OF LATIN AMERICA.

ACCORDING TO THE FINANCE MINISTRY'S NEW TARIFF POLICY, COMMODITIES THAT WERE SUBJECT TO IMPORT TAXES OF BETWEEN FIVE AND 40 PERCENT, NOW ONLY PAY FIVE PERCENT, WHILE THOSE SUBJECT TO 41 TO 60 PERCENT TAX RATES, NOW ONLY PAY 10 PERCENT, AND THOSE GOODS SUBJECT TO TARIFFS BETWEEN 61 AND 150 PERCENT, NOW ONLY PAY THE MAXIMUM RATE OF 20 PERCENT.

THE MINISTRY IS EXPECTED TO RELEASE A LIST OF THE GOODS AFFECTED BY THE TAX CUTS THIS WEEK.

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ADDIS ABABA (AUG. 28) XINHUA) - THE SINO-ETHIOPIAN JOINT COMMISSION ON ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION AND TRADE BEGAN A THREE-DAY MEETING HERE THIS AFTERNOON TO DISCUSS WAYS TO EXPAND THE EXISTING COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

THE TWO DELEGATIONS TO THE MEETING ARE RESPECTIVELY LED BY CHINESE ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS AND TRADE LI YAN AND ETHIOPIAN MINISTER FOR FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS AKLILU AFEWROK.

THE TWO SIDES WILL EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES TO INCREASE THEIR COOPERATION IN THE FIELDS OF INDUSTRY, AGRICULTURE, WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

THEY ARE EXPECTED TO SIGN A JOINT STATEMENT AT THE END OF THE MEETING ON

THE OUTCOME OF THEIR DISCUSSIONS.

FORMED IN APRIL 1988, THE JOINT COMMISSION IS CHARGED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY TO EXAMINE AND REVIEW THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREEMENTS SIGNED BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN VARIOUS ECONOMIC FIELDS AND TO STUDY POTENTIALITIES FOR EXPANDING BILATERAL COOPERATION.

IT IS ALSO MANDATED TO INITIATE AND CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS AIMED AT INCREASING SINO-ETHIOPIAN ECONOMIC COOPERATION.

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#90240h0139 08/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BAGHDAD (AUG. 28) XINHUA - AN IRAQI FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN TODAY DENIED REPORTS THAT IRAQI FORCES HAD NOT WITHDRAWN COMPLETELY FROM IRANIAN TERRITORIES.

REFUTING WHAT HE DESCRIBED AS FALSEHOODS PROPAGANDA BY CERTAIN MEDIA ORGANS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID IRAQ HAD FULLY COMPLETED ITS WITHDRAWAL BY TUESDAY LAST WEEK AND DID NOT HAVE A SINGLE SOLDIER ON IRANIAN TERRITORIES.

HE ADDED THAT IRAQ'S DEPUTY PREMIER AND FOREIGN MINISTER TARIQ AZIZ HAD COMMUNICATED THIS TO THE U.N. SECRETARY GENERAL IN AN OFFICIAL NOTE LAST THURSDAY.

REPORTS CIRCULATED THAT IRAQI FORCES CONTINUED TO OCCUPY PART OR SEVERAL POCKETS OF IRANIAN TERRITORIES.

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#90240h0141 08/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TUNIS (AUG. 28) XINHUA - JORDANIAN LEFT HERE TODAY FOR ALGERIA TO CONTINUE HIS DISCUSSIONS OF THE GULF CRISIS WITH NORTH AFRICAN LEADERS, FOLLOWING A TWO-DAY WORKING VISIT TO TUNISIA.

THE JORDANIAN MONARCH HELD TALKS IN TUNIS WITH TUNISIAN PRESIDENT ZINE AL-ABIDINE BEN ALI, SENIOR ADVISER TO PALESTINIAN PRESIDENT YASSER ARAFAT BASSAM ABU SHARIF AND ARAB LEAGUE SECRETARY GENERAL CHEDLI KLIBI ON THE CURRENT EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE AN ARAB SOLUTION TO THE GULF CRISIS AND WAYS TO AVOID THE REGION A MILITARY DISASTER.

WELL-INFORMED SOURCES SAY KING HUSSEIN IS UNDERTAKING DISPLOMATIC GOOD OFFICES WITH A VIEW TO ATTAINING "AN ARAB AND INTERNATIONAL SOLUTION" TO THE GULF CRISIS.

JORDAN, THE SOURCES ADDED, CALLS FOR WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN FORCES FROM THE GULF REGION AND IRAQI FORCES FROM KUWAIT. IT ALSO PROPOSES THE DISPATCH OF ARAB FORCES TO KUWAIT, AND THE HOLDING OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN IRAQ AND

KUWAIT OVER A PERIOD EXTENDING FROM SIX MONTHS TO ONE YEAR.

KING HUSSEIN HAS ALREADY VISITED LIBYA ON THE FIRST LEG OF HIS CURRENT TOUR THAT WOULD ALSO TAKE HIM TO ALGERIA, MOROCCO AND MAURITANIA.

THE JORDANIAN MONARCH IS EXPECTED TO SHART AN EUROPEAN TOUR THURSDAY DURING WHICH HE WILL VISIT SPAIN, BRITAIN, FEDERAL GERMANY, ITALY AND FRANCE.

JORDAN WAS AMONG A FEW ARAB STATES THAT SHIED AWAY FROM OPENLY CONDEMNING THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

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#90240h0151 08/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (AUG. 28) XINHUA - DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL SERVICES IN KENYA'S MINISTRY OF HEALTH PROF. JOSEPH OLIECH SAID TODAY THAT AIDS CASES IN KENYA HAVE INCREASED TO OVER 9,000.

OPENING A WORKSHOP HERE ON THE MANAGEMENT OF HUMAN IMMUNO- DEFICIENCY VIRUS INFECTION AND AIDS, PROF. OLIECH NOTED THAT THE POSITIVITY RATES AMONG BLOOD DONORS IN THE EAST AFRICAN COUNTRY RANGE FROM 0.78 PERCENT IN LOW PREVALENCE AREAS TO 4 PERCENT IN HIGH PREVALENCE AREAS.

DESPITE THE INCREASED AWARENSESS OF AIDS IN THE COUNTRY, HE OBSERVED, CORRESPONDING BEHAVIORAL CHANGE HAS NOT BEEN OBSERVED BECAUSE PEOPLE RESIST CHANGE.

THE DIRECTOR CAUTIONED THAT AIDS DRUGS SUCH AS LOCALLY- DEVELOPED "KEMRON" ARE WELCOME INNOVATIONS BUT THE PREVENTION OF THE SPREAD OF THE DREAD DISEASE IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE DRUGS THEMSELVES.

HE CHALLENGED HIS FELLOW COUNTRYMEN TO KNOW ABOUT THE SPREAD OF AIDS BY BARBERS, TRADITIONAL CIRCUMCISERS, MINOR SURGERY LIKE PIERCING EARS AND BLOOD TRANSFUSION.

EARLIER REPORTS SAID THAT ABOUT 200,000 OUT OF 23 MILLION KENYANS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS AIDS CARRIERS AND AN ESTIMATED 800 CHILDREN BELOW THE AGE OF THREE HAVE BEEN INFECTED WITH THE DISEASE.

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#90240h0157 08/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) XINHUA - WITH A 10-YEAR GROWTH RATE OF 23.7 PERCENT, CALIFORNIA, THE LARGEST STATE IN THE UNITED STATES, HAS INCREASED ITS POPULATION TO 29,275,015, ACCORDING TO PRELIMINARY 1990 CENSUS FIGURES RELEASED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

SPURRED BY THE HIGH-TECH AND MILITARY INDUSTRIES AS WELL AS BY IMMIGRANTS FROM MEXICO AND ASIA, CALIFORNIA NOW HOUSES MORE THAN ONE-NINTH OF THE NATION'S ESTIMATED 250 MILLION PEOPLE. AND IT HAS MORE PEOPLE THAN CANADA, AUSTRALIA OR THREE-QUARTERS OF THE COUNTRIES OF WESTERN EUROPE.

ACCORDING TO THE FIGURES, CALIFORNIA HAS SIX OF THE UNITED STATES' 50 LARGEST CITIES -- THE MOST OF ANY STATE IN THE NATION. THEY ARE LOS ANGELES, 3,420,235, UP 13.2 PERCENT FROM 1980, SAN DIEGO, 1,094,524, UP 25 PERCENT, SAN JOSE, 765,207, UP 19.5 PERCENT, SAN FRANCISCO, 711,407, UP 4.8 PERCENT, LONG BEACH, 423,394, UP 16.3 PERCENT, AND OAKLAND, 360,855, UP 6.3 PERCENT.

FIVE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COUNTIES -- LOS ANGELES, SAN DIEGO, SAN BERNARDINO, RIVERSIDE AND ORANGE -- NOW HAVE MORE THAN 1 MILLION PEOPLE EACH, AS DO THE NORTHERN COUNTIES OF SANTA CLARA, THE HEART OF THE HIGH-TECHNOLOGY COMPUTER INDUSTRY AROUND SAN JOSE, AND ALAMEDA, TO THE EAST OF SAN FRANCISCO.

RANKING 12TH IN POPULATION IN 1910 AND SECOND TO NEW YORK AS RECENTLY AS 1960, CALIFORNIA IS NOW EXPECTED TO HAVE ALMOST AS MANY PEOPLE AS NEW YORK AND PENNSYLVANIA COMBINED.

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Saturday Night With Connie Chung August 27, 1990 (Transcript #41)

''Johnny's Story: Life Story'' (mentally retarded man serving time for crime another man has confessed to); ''Bette Midler: Outrageous Fortune'' (interview); ''Drunk Drivers: Getting the Message'' (victims' panels for convicted drunk drivers).

Nightline (ABC) August 27, 1990 (Transcript #2416)

U.N. Tries for Persian Gulf Peace: U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. Thomas Pickering and Iraqi Ambassador to the U.S. Mohamed al- Mashat discuss U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar's personal initiative to mediate the Persian Gulf crisis in accordance with the resolutions passed by the Security Council in spite of skepticism from President Bush and Iraqi

officials.

Larry King Live (CNN) August 27, 1990 (Transcript #116)

Middle East Update / Marine's Father Protests: Senator Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ) discusses his recent talks with President Mubarak of Egypt, who told him of Saddam Hussein's moves over the past two years. Sen. John McCain (R-AZ), a Vietnam vet and P.O.W., agrees with President Bush decision to send troops to the Persian Gulf, which he feels was done to prevent Hussein from having complete control of Middle East oil supplies. Alex Molnar voices his dissatisfaction with the President's decisions, chastizing him for comparing Hussein to Hitler, making it impossible to solve his problems by diplomacy.

Crossfire (CNN) August 27, 1990 (Transcript #126)

The Prospects for Peace: Kuwaiti Ambassador to the U.S. Sheik Saud Nasir al-Sabah and James Zogby, Executive Director fo the Arab-American Institute, discuss the possibility of a diplomatic solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Moneyline (CNN) August 27, 1990 (Transcript #170)

Rallies in the stock and bond markets; trucking inudstry squeezed by oil costs; Japanese rice market's high prices lead drive for market liberalization; Federal Reserve Board documents credit crunch; economist Henry Kaufman says Fed should call for lower interest rates; Pacioli 2000 program and extremely low software prices.

Sally Jessy Raphael August 27, 1990 (Transcript #516)

Addicted Celebrities Coming Clean: Eddie Fisher, Danny Bonaduce and Ben Vereen discuss their addictions, what it took for them to kick their habits, and how they're staying clean now. Irving Kolin, M.D., gives advice on overcoming addictions.

Oprah Winfrey Show August 27, 1990 (Transcript #1031)

Confessions About the Younger Woman: Younger women who have been called golddiggers, homewreckers and bimbos and their husbands tell their stories. Beliza Ann Furman, founder of W.O.O.M. (Wives of Older Men), joins the panel to say that most women don't realize the importance of putting their husbands first until a younger woman comes along.

Donahue August 27, 1990 (Transcript #3020)

Best Friend.... Biggest Rival (Repeat-#2670): Dr. Edward Crowther discusses competitive relationships and his book Intimacy: Strategies for

Successful Relationships.

Geraldo August 27, 1990 (Transcript #768)

Romeo Ripoffs (Repeat-#630): Women tell their stories of having been swindled for their money or to gain citizenship by men they believed really cared for them.

Good Morning America (ABC) August 27, 1990 (Transcript #1096)

Iraq: the next step; weekend warriors; Kuwait's view; high-tech water parks; Carol Kane interview; economic effects of oil shortage; Lego Lady; The Exorcist III and Darkman reviews; crocodiles; progressive pesticides; Charlie Sheen/Emilio Estevez interview.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) August 27, 1990 (Transcript #156)

Persian Gulf Crisis Continues: Fifty-two dependents of American embassy personnel reach Turkey; U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar plans to meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister; Bush expels 36 Iraqi diplomats from Washington and says he doesn't hold much hope for a diplomatic solution to the situation in the Gulf.

Tuesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: LaToya Jackson Sally Jessy Raphael: Bodies That Break (brittle bone disease) Geraldo: Telephone Terror (obscene calls) Oprah Winfrey: Fat Prejudice

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#90240k0017 08/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 28) KYODO - SALES BY JAPAN'S LARGE RETAILERS GREW 9 PERCENT IN JULY FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 2,056.9 BILLION YEN, MAINLY BECAUSE OF STRONG SALES OF SUMMER CLOTHING, THE GOVERNMENT REPORTED TUESDAY.

THERE WAS HIGH GROWTH IN CLOTHING SALES AND OTHER SUMMER GOODS AS A SPELL OF HOT AND DRY WEATHER GRIPPED THE NATION DURING THE MONTH, THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY SAID IN A PRELIMINARY REPORT.

SALES AT DEPARTMENT STORES CLIMBED 10.6 PERCENT TO 1,198.3 BILLION YEN, AND SUPERMARKETS' SALES JUMPED 6.7 PERCENT TO 858.6 BILLION YEN, ACCORDING

TO THE REPORT.

MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID OTHER FACTORS WERE STRONG SALES OF SUMMER GIFTS SUCH AS BEER, SOFT DRINKS AND FOODSTUFFS.

AIR CONDITIONERS AND ELECTRIC FANS ALSO SHOWED STRONG SALES, THEY SAID.

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#90240k0036 08/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (AUG. 28) KYODO - MATSUSHITA BATTERY INDUSTRIAL CO. SAID TUESDAY IT WILL PRODUCE NICKEL-CADMIUM BATTERIES TOGETHER WITH PHILIPS, PROBABLY STARTING IN 1992.

THE TWO COMPANIES ESTABLISHED PHILIPS MATSUSHITA BATTERY CO. IN 1970 IN BELGIUM TO PRODUCE TRADITIONAL TYPES OF BATTERIES, MAINLY TO SUPPLY PANASONIC AND PHILIPS BRAND PRODUCTS.

IN THE NEW PROJECT, PHILIPS PROPOSED THE JOINT PRODUCTION OF NICAD BATTERIES. THE RECHARGEABLE STORAGE BATTERIES ARE IN INCREASING DEMAND FOR CORDLESS APPLIANCES AND PERSONAL COMPUTERS.

PHILIPS WILL PROVIDE MONEY WHILE MATSUSHITA BATTERY WILL PROVIDE TECHNOLOGY, MATSUSHITA BATTERY OFFICIALS SAID. A PLANT WILL BE BUILT FOR THE PROJECT, PROBABLY IN BELGIUM BEFORE THE PLANNED MARKET INTEGRATION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY IN 1992, THEY SAID.

MATSUSHITA BATTERY IS ALSO SOUNDING OUT POSSIBILITIES OF NICAD BATTERY PRODUCTION IN THE UNITED STATES, THEY ADDED.

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#90240k0059 08/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

UJUNG PANDANG SULAWESI (AUG. 28) KYODO - THE INDONESIAN MINISTER-COORDINATOR FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS AND SECURITY SUDOMO SAID TUESDAY THE GOVERNMENT HAS TOLD CHINA TO REOPEN ITS EMBASSY IN A NEW LOCATION.

EARLIER THIS MONTH, INDONESIA RESUMED DIPLOMATIC TIES WITH CHINA AFTER IT FROZE BILATERAL RELATIONS IN 1967, ACCUSING BEIJING OF AIDING A COMMUNIST COUP ATTEMPT.

SUDOMO SAID THAT CHINA'S FORMER EMBASSY WAS IN JAKARTA'S CHINA TOWN. 'WE WOULD NOT LIKE TO SEE THEM EXPLOIT THEIR CULTURAL LINK'' WITH INDONESIAN CHINESE ETHNICS IN THAT AREA, SUDOMO SAID. HE SAID THIS COULD POSE A THREAT TO NATIONAL SECURITY.

IN A MEETING WITH DELEGATES OF THE CATHOLIC UNION OF UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

OF INDONESIA (PMKRI) ON MONDAY IN UJUNG PANDANG, SULAWASI, SUDOMO SAID INDONESIA WAS CAREFUL AND ALERT ABOUT THE PROCESS OF NORMALIZING RELATIONS WITH CHINA, AND SAID CHINESE LEADERS SHOULD NOT REPEAT PAST MISTAKES.

IF CHINESE LEADERS REALLY WANT DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS NORMALIZED, SUDOMO SAID, THEY HAVE TO PROMISE NOT TO SUPPORT THE BANNED COMMUNIST PARTY (PKI) AND NOT TO INTERVENE IN INDONESIA'S INTERNAL POLITICAL AFFAIRS.

MEANWHILE, FOREIGN MINISTER ALI ALATAS SAID THAT INDONESIA AND CHINA WILL JOINTLY ANNOUNCE THE NAMES OF AMBASSADORS TO JAKARTA AND BEIJING.

ALATAS TOLD NEWSMEN THERE IS NO TIME LIMIT TO THE APPOINTMENTS OF DIPLOMATS.

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#90240k0064 08/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 28) KYODO - TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. SAID TUESDAY IT WILL CHANGE ITS ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION TO STRENGTHEN ITS FINANCE BUSINESS AND TO EXPAND ITS BUSINESS INTO MARINE AND AIRCRAFT-RELATED FIELDS.

THE COMPANY AIMS TO TRIPLE NONAUTO BUSINESS TO 6 PERCENT OF TOTAL ANNUAL SALES BY 1994 FROM THE CURRENT 2 PERCENT, TOYOTA OFFICIALS SAID.

THE DECISION WILL BE AUTHORIZED IN A BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING SCHEDULED WEDNESDAY.

TOYOTA'S FINANCE SUBSIDIARY HAS MAINLY SERVED CAR DEALERS. THE COMPANY HOPES TO EXPAND IT INTO A FULL-FLEDGED FINANCE COMPANY SERVING CONSUMERS TO MAKE BETTER USE OF TOKYO'S MORE THAN 2 TRILLION YEN IN CAPITAL FUNDS, THE OFFICIALS ADDED.

AS FOR AIRCRAFT-RELATED BUSINESS, THE OFFICIALS SAID A SUBSIDIARY WILL PROVIDE SALES AND MAINTENANCE KNOW-HOW FOR LIGHTWEIGHT AIRPLANES. TOYOTA WILL SEEK FURTHER BUSINESS POSSIBILITIES IN THE FIELD BUT IT IS NOT CONSIDERING PRODUCTION OF AIRCRAFT ENGINES AT THIS POINT, THEY SAID.

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#90240k0065 08/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 28) KYODO - THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK APPROVED ON TUESDAY A 35 MILLION DOLLAR LOAN FOR A HIGHWAY PROJECT IN THAILAND, ALONG WITH AN ADVISORY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT OF 560,000 DOLLARS.

THE BANK SAID THE LOAN WILL PAY FOR HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE, AND STRENGTHEN ROAD AGENCIES.

THE LOAN WILL BE PAYABLE IN 25 YEARS, INCLUDING A GRACE PERIOD OF FIVE

YEARS, AND WITH AN INTEREST RATE DEPENDING ON THE BANK'S POOL-BASED VARIABLE LENDING RATE SYSTEM.

THE BANK SAID THE PROJECT WILL IMPROVE ACCESSIBILITY TO SMALL AND MEDIUM-SIZED TOWNS, REDUCE CONGESTION, AND CUT TRANSPORT COSTS.

THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT WILL HELP THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS TO PREPARE AN INVESTMENT PROGRAM FOR THE SEVENTH FIVE-YEAR DEVELOPMENT PLAN (1992-96). DEVELOPMENT OF ROAD TRANSPORTATION WILL BE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE PLAN.

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#90240k0072 08/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 28) KYODO - CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY MISOJI SAKAMOTO SAID TUESDAY THE GULF CRISIS WILL NOT AFFECT JAPAN'S DEFENSE BUDGET FOR 1991.

SAKAMOTO TOLD REPORTERS THAT IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT DID NOT COME UP DURING A SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING TO DISCUSS A NEW MULTIYEAR DEFENSE PLAN TO BE LAUNCHED NEXT YEAR.

THE 1991 DEFENSE BUDGET, SET TO COME INTO EFFECT NEXT APRIL, WAS THE MAIN ITEM DISCUSSED BY THE NATION'S TOP DEFENSE POLICY-MAKING BOARD. THE COUNCIL IS LED BY PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU.

''THERE IS NO DIRECT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND NEXT YEAR'S DEFENSE BUDGET,'' SAKAMOTO TOLD A REGULARLY SCHEDULED NEWS CONFERENCE.

THE NEW DEFENSE PLAN WILL REPLACE THE CURRENT 18.4 TRILLION YEN, FIVE-YEAR PROGRAM THAT ENDS IN MARCH.

THE DEFENSE AGENCY HAS PROPOSED A 4.42 TRILLION YEN BUDGET FOR THE FIRST YEAR OF THE NEW PLAN, A 5.8 PERCENT HIKE FROM OUTLAYS THIS YEAR.

THE MEETING WAS THE THIRD IN A SERIES OF 10 TO BRIEF KAIFU AND HIS SEVEN CABINET MINISTERS WHO FORM THE COUNCIL.

THE MINISTERS ARE FOREIGN MINISTER TARO NAKAYAMA, SAKAMOTO, FINANCE MINISTER RYUTARO HASHIMOTO, MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY KABUN MUTO, ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY CHIEF HIDEYUKI AIZAWA, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AGENCY CHIEF TOMOJI OSHIMA, AND KEIWA OKUDA, CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION.

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#90240k0073 08/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 28) KYODO - TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. WAS JAPAN'S TOP CORPORATE

INCOME EARNER IN FISCAL 1989 FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW, THE NATIONAL TAX ADMINISTRATION AGENCY SAID TUESDAY.

THE GOVERNMENT TAX WATCHDOG SAID ITS SURVEY OF 3,494 CORPORATIONS CAPITALIZED AT 1 BILLION YEN OR MORE FOUND THAT TOYOTA HELD ON TO THE NO. 1 POSITION BY DECLARING 573,261 MILLION YEN IN TAXABLE INCOME FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED ON MARCH 31. THE NUMBER OF POLLEES WAS UP BY 264 FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

THE COMPANIES POLLED DECLARED INCOME TOTALING A RECORD 24,291.4 BILLION YEN, EXCEEDING THE AMOUNT DECLARED THE PREVIOUS YEAR BY 1,528.7 BILLION YEN, THE SURVEY SHOWED.

AS A RESULT, THEY PAID A TOTAL OF 8,266.0 BILLION YEN IN TAXES, ALSO A RECORD, IT SAID.

BUT THE AVERAGE DECLARED INCOME EDGED DOWN 1.3 PERCENT TO 6,952 MILLION YEN PER COMPANY, SUGGESTING THAT HIGH INTEREST RATES AND THE YEN'S WEAKNESS HAVE SQUEEZED CORPORATE EARNINGS.

REFLECTING THEIR STRONG MONEY-MAKING POWER, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS SUCH AS BANKS AND BROKERAGE HOUSES CAPTURED 25 SLOTS ON THE LIST OF TOP 50 INCOME EARNERS, THE SURVEY SHOWED.

NOMURA SECURITIES CO. AND THREE OTHER BIG BROKERAGE HOUSES MADE STRONG SHOWINGS WITH THE HELP OF ROBUST COMMISSION EARNINGS ON BOND OFFERINGS, WITH NOMURA PUSHING ITS RANK UP TO SECOND FROM SIXTH THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

WITH HIGHER INTEREST RATES INFLATING THEIR FUND-RAISING COSTS, MAJOR BANKS FELL IN THE RANKINGS, WITH THE SINGLE EXCEPTION OF SANWA BANK, ACCORDING TO THE AGENCY.

SANWA BANK CAME FIFTH ON THE LIST, UP FROM EIGHTH SLOT THE PREVIOUS YEAR, APPARENTLY HELPED BY THE JAPANESE CURRENCY'S WEAKNESS THAT RAISED THE YEN VALUE OF ITS RELATIVELY LARGE HOLDINGS OF DOLLAR-DENOMINATED ASSETS.

THE NATION'S BIG STEELMAKERS DID NOT APPEAR ON THE LIST AS THEIR SALES WERE ERODED BY THE INCREASED COST OF IMPORTING RAW MATERIALS AS A RESULT OF THE YEN'S DECLINE.

AMONG NEWCOMERS ON THE LIST WERE EAST JAPAN RAILWAY CO., JAPAN TOBACCO INC. AND SONY CORP.

FOLLOWING ARE THE TOP 10 CORPORATE INCOME EARNERS, WITH THEIR DECLARED INCOME IN MILLIONS OF YEN FOLLOWED BY YEAR-TO-YEAR PERCENTAGE CHANGES (THE PREVIOUS YEAR'S RANKS IN PARENTHESES):

1	(1)	TOYOTA MOTOR	573,261	- 0.8

2	(6)	NOMURA SECURITIES	500,842	" 27.9
3	(2)	NTT	497,365	" 17.6
4	(3)	SUMITOMO BANK	368,268	- 12.0
5	(8)	SANWA BANK	356,604	" 2.3
6	(11)	DAIWA SECURITIES	346,665	" 62.6
7	(4)	FUJI BANK	314,247	- 23.7
8	(5)	DAI-ICHI KANGYO BANK	283,442	- 29.8
9	(26)	NIKKO SECURITIES	277,458	" 98.0
10	(7)	MITSUBISHI BANK	277,336	- 21.4

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TOKYO (AUG. 28) KYODO - CAPITAL INVESTMENT BY JAPAN'S LEADING FIRMS WILL SCORE DOUBLE-DIGIT GROWTH FOR THE THIRD YEAR IN A ROW IN FISCAL 1990, ACCORDING TO A SURVEY RELEASED TUESDAY BY THE LONG-TERM CREDIT BANK OF JAPAN.

BOOSTED BY MEASURES TO RAISE PRODUCTIVITY AND DEAL WITH THE NATION'S TIGHT LABOR MARKET, 1,492 FIRMS SURVEYED BY THE BANK PLAN TO SPEND 14.3 PERCENT MORE ON NEW PLANT AND EQUIPMENT IN THE YEAR ENDING NEXT MARCH THAN THE PREVIOUS YEAR, THE SURVEY SHOWED.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT ALREADY PLANNED FOR FISCAL 1991 SHOWS AN INCREASE OF ONLY 2.4 PERCENT, BUT THE RATE IS LIKELY TO BE REVISED UPWARD IN THE MONTHS AHEAD BECAUSE MANY FIRMS HAVE NOT YET MAPPED OUT CONCRETE SPENDING STRATEGIES THAT FAR AHEAD, THE BANK SAID.

THE SURVEY WAS TAKEN BEFORE THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT, SO IT DOES NOT REFLECT THE IMPACT OF HIGHER OIL PRICES ON THE FIRMS' SPENDING PLANS, BANK ECONOMISTS SAID.

OIL PRICES HOVERING IN THE PRICE RANGE OF 25-30 DOLLARS PER BARREL WILL NOT ALTER THE FUNDAMENTAL TRENDS, HOWEVER, SINCE INDIVIDUAL FIRMS' SPENDING PLANS ARE BASED ON LONG-TERM PROJECTIONS, THEY SAID.

THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR PLANS TO INCREASE INVESTMENT IN PLANT AND EQUIPMENT BY 20.1 PERCENT, A JUMP OF OVER 20 PERCENT FOR THE THIRD STRAIGHT FISCAL YEAR.

THE ECONOMISTS SAID THE HEFTY INCREASE WAS LED BY STRONG GROWTH IN THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY.

THE NONMANUFACTURING SECTOR PLANS TO BOOST INVESTMENT BY 11.5 PERCENT. DESPITE DECLINES IN THE YEN AND THE STOCK AND BOND MARKETS, THE OVERALL FIGURE FOR FISCAL 1990 WAS REVISED UPWARD 3.1 PERCENT OVER A PRELIMINARY SURVEY TAKEN EARLIER THIS YEAR, THE BANK SAID.

THIS WAS DUE CHIEFLY TO HIGH CORPORATE EARNINGS AND A FEELING THAT MANY FIRMS ARE SHORT OF SUPPLY CAPACITY AMID THE SECOND-LONGEST ECONOMIC EXPANSION SINCE WORLD WAR II, THE ECONOMISTS SAID.

FUND-RAISING PLANS BY FIRMS SHOWED THAT 44.8 PERCENT WERE PLANNING TO TURN TO THEIR OWN FUNDS, COMPARED TO 37.9 PERCENT THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR.

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TOKYO (AUG. 28) KYODO - THE GULF CRISIS COULD BE A HARBINGER OF THINGS TO COME IN ASIA, ACCORDING TO A LEADING JAPANESE EXPERT ON NATIONAL SECURITY AND CRISIS MANAGEMENT.

"WHEN IRAQ CONQUERED KUWAIT, I THOUGHT MY WORST ANXIETY HAD COME TRUE ABOUT THE SPREAD OF LOCAL MILITARY CONTINGENTS TO SMALL AND MIDDLE-SIZED POWERS," SAID ATSUYUKI SASSA, FORMER DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE CABINET SECURITY AFFAIRS OFFICE, THE GOVERNMENT'S NERVE CENTER FOR CRISIS MANAGEMENT.

"IT COULD HAPPEN IN NORTH KOREA, VIETNAM, AND MAYBE INDIA," THE FORMER OFFICER OF COUNTERESPIONAGE AND DEFENSE COUNCILLOR TO THE DEFENSE AGENCY CHIEF SAID IN A RECENT INTERVIEW.

SASSA CITED A SOVIET "BARGAIN SALE" OF CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS, AND THE TRANSFORMATION FROM A BIPOLAR TO A MULTIPOLAR WORLD AS MAJOR REASONS FOR THE INCREASED LIKLIHOOD OF REGIONAL CONFLICTS.

"THE U.S.-SOVIET CONFRONTATION WAS IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST OF OTHER COUNTRIES BECAUSE IT WAS A VERY SIMPLE CONFRONTATION," SAID SASSA.

"IN JAPAN, WE ONLY HAD TO COORDINATE AND NEGOTIATE WITH THE UNITED STATES, SO THE STRUCTURE WAS VERY SIMPLE." SAID THE HEAD OF THE OFFICE FROM ITS FOUNDING IN 1986 TO LAST SUMMER.

SASSA SAID FEW COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN ABLE TO KEEP PACE WITH THE CHANGING SECURITY STRUCTURE FOLLOWING THE SUPERPOWERS' TURNING THE CONRNER ON THE COLD WAR AT LAST YEAR'S SUMMIT IN MALTA.

THE CHANGE HAS RESULTED IN DECREASED DETERRENCE OF LOCAL CONFLICTS, PARTICULARLY AMONG SMALL AND MEDIUM POWERS LIKE LIBYA, IRAN, NORTH KOREA, AND SOME SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE INCREASING ACCESS TO INEXPENSIVE WEAPONS, HE SAID.

"THE U.S. AND SOVIET UNION ARE NEGOTIATING TO SELL WEAPONS, THAT'S WHAT WE ARE AFRAID OF," HE SAID.

SASSA ADVOCATED A STEPPED-UP DIPLOMATIC ROLE FOR JAPAN IN THE GULF CRISIS

TO AVOID BEING BRANDED AN "ECONOMIC MONSTER" AND COMMON ENEMY OF THE WEST FOLLOWING IMPROVED RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

THE CABINET SECURITY AFFAIRS OFFICE WAS LAUNCHED TO HELP COORDINATE RESPONSES AMONG THE VARIOUS GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, PARTICULARLY DURING HIJACKINGS, HOSTAGE CRISES, AND OTHER EMERGENCIES.

CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY MISOJI SAKAMOTO SAID MONDAY THE OFFICE HAS NOT BEEN ACTIVATED TO STREAMLINE JAPAN'S RESPONSE TO THE GULF CRISIS BECAUSE IT EXISTS "FOR THE DEFENSE AND SECURITY OF JAPAN," AND THAT THE GULF CRISIS INVOLVES A MORE GLOBAL APPROACH.

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TOKYO (AUG. 28) KYODO - THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ON TUESDAY ANNOUNCED A 580 BILLION YEN BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR FISCAL 1991 THAT INCLUDES A REQUEST FOR SOME 150 MILLION YEN TO SUPPORT PERESTROIKA IN THE SOVIET UNION AND PROMOTE YOUTH EXCHANGES WITH THAT COUNTRY.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS INCLUDED IN ITS ANNUAL BUDGET PROPOSAL A REQUEST FOR MONEY AIMED AT THE SOVIET UNION. POSTWAR TIES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES HAVE SUFFERED FROM EAST-WEST ANTAGONISM AND A TERRITORIAL DISPUTE.

OFFICIALS SAID THE MONEY WOULD GO TOWARD A PLAN FOR SENDING JAPANESE EXPERTS TO THE SOVIET UNION TO PROVIDE ''INTELLECTUAL ASSISTANCE'' AND TO INVITE SOVIET YOUTHS TO VISIT JAPAN.

THE REQUEST WAS INCLUDED IN THE MINISTRY'S PROPOSAL FOR SOME 2 BILLION YEN TO ALLOW JAPAN TO RESPOND TO THE CHANGES THAT HAVE SWEPT THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE MINISTRY'S BUDGET REQUEST OF 580.2 BILLION YEN FOR THE COMING FISCAL YEAR IS AN 8.7 INCREASE OVER THE CURRENT 533.9 BILLION YEN BUDGET. JAPAN'S FISCAL YEAR BEGINS IN APRIL.

SOME 455.3 BILLION YEN WAS REQUESTED FOR OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE (ODA), A 9.7 PERCENT RISE OVER THE 415.1 BILLION YEN FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. GRANT AID IS TO BE INCREASED FROM THE CURRENT 201.1 BILLION YEN TO 214.8 BILLION YEN.

THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S ODA BUDGET IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR ACCOUNTED FOR ROUGHLY HALF OF JAPAN'S TOTAL ODA BUDGET OF 817.5 BILLION YEN.

SO THAT JAPAN CAN BETTER DEAL WITH PROBLEMS THAT CONFRONT HUMANITY AS A WHOLE, SUCH AS ENVIRONMENTAL DEPREDATION AND DRUG ABUSE, THE MINISTRY REQUESTED AN INCREASE FOR THAT CATEGORY FROM THE CURRENT 2.1 BILLION YEN

TO 4.6 BILLION YEN.

ONE OFFICIAL SAID THE FOREIGN MINISTRY PLANS TO OPEN TALKS WITH MOSCOW IN THE NEAR FUTURE ON THE PROSPECT OF INVITING SOVIET YOUTHS TO JAPAN AS PART OF A PROJECT AIMED AT ENHANCING MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

HE NOTED THAT SHINTARO ABE, A KEY POLITICAL FIGURE IN THE RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP), PROPOSED IN A MEETING WITH SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV LAST JANUARY THAT JAPAN WELCOME 1,000 SOVIETS YOUTHS OVER A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS.

AN LDP SPOKESMAN SAID LAST WEDNESDAY THAT 200 YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN WOULD BE INVITED TO JAPAN FROM SEPTEMBER 10-21, ANOTHER 500 IN 1991, AND 300 IN 1992.

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TOKYO (AUG. 28) KYODO - TRANSPORT MINISTER AKIRA ONO ON TUESDAY CALLED ON THREE JAPANESE AIRLINES AND A SHIPOWNER ORGANIZATION TO PROVIDE AIRCRAFT AND SHIPS AS PART OF JAPAN'S CONTRIBUTION TO INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THE GULF CRISIS, MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

ONO CALLED MATSUO TOSHIMITSU, PRESIDENT OF JAPAN AIRLINES CO., AKIO KONDO, PRESIDENT OF ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS CO, TAKEO HORI, PRESIDENT OF NIPPON CARGO AIRLINES CO., AND HIROSHIGE MATSUNARI, CHAIRMAN OF THE JAPANESE SHIPOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, TO HIS OFFICE AND MADE THE REQUEST.

ONO WAS QUOTED AS TELLING THE FOUR EXECUTIVES THAT AIRCRAFT AND SHIPS WILL BE USED TO TRANSPORT NONMILITARY ITEMS SUCH AS WATER, FOOD, AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES TO THE MULTINATIONAL FORCE IN THE PERSIAN GULF REGION.

THE TRANSPORT MINISTER ADDED THAT AIRCRAFT PROVIDED BY THE AIRLINE COMPANIES WILL ONLY SHUTTLE BETWEEN JAPAN AND THE MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES.

THE FOUR EXECUTIVES PROMISED ONO THAT THEY WILL RESPOND TO THE GOVERNMENT REQUEST ON WEDNESDAY MORNING.

WASHINGTON HAS REPORTEDLY ASKED JAPAN TO PROVIDE CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT AND SHIPS TO HELP SEND U.S. TROOPS AND PERSONNEL TO THE GULF.

JAPAN'S CONSTITUTION BANS SENDING SELF-DEFENSE FORCES PERSONNEL ABROAD, BUT A GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL SAID MONDAY THAT THERE IS NO LEGAL PROBLEM IN PROVIDING JAPANESE CIVIL AIRCRAFT AND SHIPS TO TRANSPORT MILITARY PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL TO THE GULF.

JAPAN HAS BEEN STUDYING A PACKAGE OF MIDDLE EAST POLICIES WITH A VIEW TO

MAKING A CONCRETE CONTRIBUTION TO THE MULTINATIONAL EFFORTS TO EASE MOUNTING TENSIONS IN THE GULF AREA,

THE PACKAGE IS LIKELY TO INCLUDE SENDING JAPANESE MEDICAL TEAMS AND OTHER RELIEF MEASURES FOR KUWAITI REFUGEES IN SAUDI ARABIA AS WELL AS ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FOR MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES, WHICH ARE SUFFERING ECONOMICALLY DUE TO INTERNATIONAL SANCTIONS IMPOSED AGAINST IRAQ FOR ITS AUGUST 2 INVASION OF KUWAIT.

THE PACKAGE IS EXPECTED TO BE ANNOUNCED ON WEDNESDAY.

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SEOUL (AUG. 28) KYODO - SOUTH KOREA'S CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE OF PAYMENTS POSTED A SURPLUS OF 525 MILLION DOLLARS IN JULY, THE FIRST POSITIVE BALANCE IN SEVEN MONTHS, THE BANK OF KOREA REPORTED TUESDAY.

THE IMPROVED JULY FIGURE COMPARED WITH A DEFICIT OF 17 MILLION DOLLARS THE PREVIOUS MONTH AND A SURPLUS OF 302 MILLION DOLLARS SCORED IN JULY LAST YEAR, THE CENTRAL BANK SAID.

IN JULY, SOUTH KOREAN EXPORTS INCREASED 7.6 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 5.44 BILLION DOLLARS, WHILE IMPORTS ROSE 4.1 PERCENT TO 4.92 BILLION DOLLARS, LEAVING A TRADE SURPLUS OF 518 MILLION DOLLARS.

THE BALANCE OF INVISIBLE TRADE REGISTERED A DEFICIT OF 10 MILLION DOLLARS IN JULY WHILE THAT OF TRANSFER PAYMENTS SHOWED A 17 MILLION DOLLAR SURPLUS.

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TOKYO (AUG. 28) KYODO - NICHIMEN CORP. ANNOUNCED TUESDAY IT WILL ESTABLISH AN AIRCRAFT LEASING COMPANY BY THE END OF SEPTEMBER IN A JOINT PROJECT WITH TWO MAJOR JAPANESE BANKS AND THREE EUROPEAN AND U.S. FIRMS.

THE JOINT VENTURE, GATX CL AIR, WILL LEASE ITS OWN PLANES TO AIRLINES, A PRACTICE KNOWN AS AN OPERATING LEASE.

NICHIMEN, A MAJOR JAPANESE GENERAL TRADING COMPANY, SAID OPERATING LEASES ARE MORE PROFITABLE THAN OTHER LEASING ARRANGEMENTS DESIGNED PRIMARILY TO FINANCE AIRCRAFT PURCHASES BY AIRLINES.

ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY SOURCES, ABOUT 17 PERCENT OF SOME 8,300 PASSENGER PLANES NOW IN SERVICE WORLDWIDE ARE HELD UNDER OPERATING LEASES.

THE JOINT VENTURE PLANS TO HOLD A TOTAL 26 AIRCRAFT, INCLUDING 20 AIRBUS A320S, AND WILL BASE ITS SALES ACTIVITY IN PARIS TO MAKE INROADS INTO THE

AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN MARKETS.

NICHIMEN, SANWA BANK AND MITSUBISHI BANK WILL EACH OWN 10 PERCENT OF THE NEW COMPANY, WHICH WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 200 MILLION DOLLARS.

GATX CAPITAL OF THE U.S. AND CREDIT LYONNAIS OF FRANCE WILL EACH HOLD A 30 PERCENT STAKE, WITH THE REMAINING 10 PERCENT TO BE OWNED BY U.S. FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE FIRMS, NICHIMEN OFFICIALS SAID.

THE COMPANY'S HEADQUARTERS WILL BE LOCATED IN THE DUTCH ANTILLES, THEY SAID.

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#90240k0098 08/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 28) KYODO - SOUTH KOREAN CONSTRUCTION MINISTER KWON YONG KAK ON TUESDAY SUGGESTED TO PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU THAT SOUTH KOREA HOPES MORE OF ITS WORKERS CAN GET CONSTRUCTION JOBS IN JAPAN AND THAT THE COUNTRY'S CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES WILL OBTAIN ACCESS TO JAPAN'S MARKET, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SAID.

KWON, CURRENTLY IN JAPAN, MADE THE SUGGESTION WHEN HE MET KAIFU AT HIS OFFICE IN TOKYO. KWON SAID THE BOTH NATIONS WILL EARN GREATER PROFITS IF THEY JOIN FORCES IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY.

IN RESPONSE, KAIFU PLEDGED HIS UTMOST EFFORTS, SAYING SOUTH KOREAN PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO STRESSED THE NEED FOR MUTUAL COOPERATION IN VARIOUS FIELDS WHEN HE VISITED JAPAN LAST MAY.

KAIFU ALSO SAID HE WANTS TO VISIT SOUTH KOREA WHEN POSSIBLE.

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#90240k0100 08/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SEOUL (AUG. 28) KYODO - JAPANESE AND SOUTH KOREAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AGREED TO INAUGURATE THREE NEW CIVIL AIR ROUTES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, ACCORDING TO A YONHAP NEWS AGENCY REPORT.

UNDER THE ACCORD REACHED AT A MEETING ON SOUTH KOREA'S CHEJU ISLAND, THE TWO COUNTRIES WILL OPERATE A TOTAL OF FIVE WEEKLY FLIGHTS BETWEEN FUKUOKA IN WESTERN JAPAN AND THE ISLAND.

THE OTHER TWO WILL BE LINK SEOUL WITH TWO JAPANESE CITIES, HIROSHIMA AND OKAYAMA, BUT THE TWO SIDES LEFT THE NUMBER OF FLIGHTS FOR FURTHER TALKS WEDNESDAY, THE REPORT SAID.

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#90240p9199 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANCHORAGE, AK (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Martech USA Inc. (NASDAQ: MUSA) today announced that it has been awarded two contracts valued at $15 to $20 million over a two to three year period. The contracts are for underground tank and soil remediation work at 145 Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) sites throughout Alaska.

Martech, acting as a subcontractor, was awarded the contracts by a joint venture between Harding Lawson Associates (NASDAQ: HRDG) headquartered in Novato, Calif., and Ecology & Environment Inc. (AMEX: EEI) headquartered in Lancaster, N.Y.

Financing is in place and work is scheduled to begin on the Lake Minchumine site in central Alaska. The majority of the contract work will be implemented in 1991.

Martech USA provides a comprehensive range of environmental remediation services as well as specialized marine and construction services.

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#90240p9211 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Nycal Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: NYCL) today announced the signing of a definitive agreement with Claremont Petroleum (USA) Pty. Ltd. ("Claremont") and Moage, Inc. ("Moage"), which implemented a previously announced letter of intent dated Aug. 10, 1990, to acquire stock, producing oil and gas properties and certain other assets from Claremont and Moage.

Upon signing the agreement Nycal placed $400,000 in escrow pending closing of the acquisition, which, combined with a $100,000 deposit paid upon signing the letter of intent, will be applied against the purchase price of the assets at closing. Closing of the acquisition is scheduled for Oct. 1, 1990.

The agreement provides for Nycal to acquire a total of approximately 9.4 million shares (approximately 76 percent) of the common stock of Woodbine Petroleum, Inc. (NASDAQ: WDBN), an independent oil and gas exploration company located in Dallas, and a convertible note in the principal amount of $630,000 issued by Woodbine. In addition, Nycal will acquire producing and non-producing oil and gas properties from Claremont and Moage. The total purchase price for the acquisition is $5 million, consisting of $3.5 million in cash at closing and assumption of existing bank debt of $1.5 million.

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#90240p9212 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, OR (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - WTD Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: WTDI), reported a net loss of $7.3 million or $1.17 per share for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, compared with net income of $6.4 million or $.95 per fully diluted share for the same period in 1989. First quarter sales were $97.8 million, down 19 percent from the comparable period last year. The decrease in sales was primarily attributable to lower lumber and chip prices, which were approximately 17 percent below last year's level. "As expected, the poor lumber market and depressed industry-wide conditions which existed in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 have extended into our new fiscal year. The continued imbalance between raw material and finished goods prices in our primary operating area, the Pacific Northwest did not allow profitable operations," said WTD's president, Bruce L. Engel.

"Despite the quarterly loss, net cash flow used for operations was only $1.5 million during the quarter, mostly because of cash generated from reductions in inventories and accounts receivables. Borrowing on our operating line of credit remains essentially unchanged from April 30, 1990. Moreover, we currently have on hand over $5 million in cash and short-term investments. At the end of the first quarter, our working capital was approximately $32.9 million. We are confident that cash on-hand, cash available under our operating line, and proceeds from tax refunds and other sources will be adequate to carry us through these adverse times," he stated.

"We believe that the cyclical supply and demand problem facing lumber producers will correct itself, as it has historically. Profitability within the industry should be restored by the combination of lower log costs, less production, and higher product prices," Engel continued.

"As we look ahead, we see several encouraging signs. First, lumber production in the western United States has begun to fall as a result of production curtailments. According to the Western Wood Products Association, western lumber production in July 1990 fell 11 percent from the volume produced in July 1989. Second, log prices at the majority of our mills have fallen this month compared to prices paid in July, an indication that log prices have peaked. Third, chip prices appear to have bottomed and are expected to increase modestly in our second quarter. We remain confident in our strategy of being a low cost producer of lumber manufactured out of smaller, second-growth logs," Engel concluded.

WTD INDUSTRIES, INC.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS:

(Unaudited)

Three months ended July 31,	1990	1989
Net sales	$97,794,000	$120,293,000
Operating income (loss)	(8,065,000)	13,064,000
Income (loss) before taxes	(11,395,000)	10,248,000
Provision for income taxes (benefit)	(4,102,000)	3,898,000
Net income (loss)	$(7,293,000)	$ 6,350,000
Net income (loss) per common share	$ (1.17)	$ 0.95

PRODUCTION HIGHLIGHTS:

(Unaudited)		
Lumber produced (thousand board feet)	294,500	316,500
Veneer produced (thousand square feet, 3/8" basis)	22,700	42,500
Plywood produced (thousand square feet, 3/8" basis)	22,900	26,400
Chips produced (bone dry units)	158,300	189,700

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#90240p9216 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Ice cream novelty. The name has suggested something new, unusual and good tasting for seven decades.

That meaning persists today with the introduction of Fat Freedom(TM) Eskimo Pie(R) Sandwich. Eskimo Pie Corporation, the company that invented the ice cream novelty business, is the first to use Simplesse(R) all natural fat substitute in a frozen novelty. Fat Freedom Eskimo Pie Sandwich creates the rich, creamy taste of a regular ice cream sandwich by using Simplesse and a specially, formulated fat free wafer.

"The combination of an established brand like Eskimo Pie with Simplesse," remarks Dave Clark, president and COO of Eskimo Pie Corporation, "gives consumers a product that they can trust with the appealing feature of reduced fat."

According to Clark, Eskimo Pie has been developing a fat free product for some time, but Simplesse provided the taste breakthrough the company was looking for.

"Consumers are demanding reduced fat foods," Clark continues, "but they are unwilling to sacrifice taste. Fat Freedom Eskimo Pie gives them the taste they expect from a frozen dessert yet none of the fat."

Simplesse, which was introduced earlier this year, is an all natural

ingredient that replaces butter fat, a high saturated fat, high-cholesterol ingredient commonly used in traditional ice creams. Simplesse all natural fat substitute is made from egg white and milk protein that is cooked and blended to make a creamy, rich ingredient with the texture of fat.

Fat Freedom Eskimo Pie Sandwich is the second product to use Simplesse. The first is Simple Pleasures(R) frozen dairy dessert, which was introduced earlier this year by The Simplesse Company. Fat Freedom will initially be distributed in a six-state midwestern region, plus Richmond, Virginia, Eskimo Pie's home. National distribution is expected in 1991.

Eskimo Pie Corporation invented the first chocolate covered ice cream bar in 1921. The Company markets a number of frozen snacks throughout the United States and Canada, including Traditional and Sugar Free Eskimo Pie frozen dairy novelties.

The Simplesse Company is a division of The NutraSweet Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Monsanto Company (NYSE: MTC). Simplesse all natural fat substitute and Simple Pleasures frozen dairy dessert are products of The Simplesse Company.

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#90240p9217 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHERMAN OAKS, CA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Continuing the strong operating trend of the first quarter, House of Fabrics Inc. (NYSE: HF) achieved substantially higher earnings on increased sales in the second quarter and first six months of fiscal 1991.

For the three months ended July 31, 1990, the seasonally slowest quarter of the year, net income advanced to $703,000, equal to 11 cents per share, from a loss of $119,000, or 2 cents per share, in the corresponding period last year. Average shares outstanding were 6,126,620 this year, compared to 6,843,906 a year ago, reflecting the company's repurchase of its shares.

Sales for the second quarter increased 7.4 percent to $87,358,000 from $81,331,000 in the corresponding quarter a year ago.

For the first half, net income rose to $2,857,000, or 45 cents per share, from $1,220,000, or 18 cents per share, in the like period last year. Sales for the six months increased 8 percent to $173,777,000 from $160,799,000 in the same period last year.

Gary L. Larkins, president and chief executive officer, said: "As in the first quarter, the key to House of Fabrics' significant gains is our prime emphasis on super store development and operations. We have been making the transition gradually from the smaller, mall-located units to much larger super stores, averaging 12,000 square feet of space. This process has been under way for several years and now with about 70 percent of the transition completed, the benefits of the conversion process are gaining momentum.

"The simplest demonstration of those benefits is shown in the sales results for the quarter. At the end of the most recent quarter we had 610 stores in operation, compared to 646 at the same time a year ago. In spite of that decrease, we still achieve increased revenues. Like store sales rose 10 percent in the second quarter.

"Is is also important to note that we have seen our super stores gain additional strength as they mature. We anticipate a double benefit in the coming years as we complete the conversions and the newer super stores further develop."

House of Fabrics Inc. is the nation's largest chain of company owned and operated retail fabric stores with 613 currently in operation.

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#90240p9218 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL MONTE, CA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Birtcher Corp. (NASDAQ: BIRT) posted sharply increased sales and earnings in its fourth quarter, William E. Maya, president and chief executive officer, announced today.

Primarily because of certain non-recurring expenses associated with the consolidation of a major strategic acquisition and reserves established for the cost of discontinuing certain products, the company reported lower net income for the year, on significantly higher sales.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, sales climbed to $6,752,000 from $2,104,000 in the like period a year ago. Net income rose to $411,000, equal to eight cents per share, from $202,000, or four cents per share, in the prior year's final period.

For the year, sales increased to $18,275,000 from $6,915,000 in fiscal 1989. Net income of $31,000 was achieved and after payment of preferred dividends a net loss per share of common stock of 11 cents was recorded, compared to net income of $946,000, or 20 cents per share, in the prior fiscal year.

The decline in earnings for fiscal 1990 reflects non-recurring expenses and costs for discontinuing certain products of approximately $1 million which were recorded in the second quarter.

Maya commented: "We are convinced that Birtcher's fourth quarter results are a clear indication of the company's growth prospects in the coming year. Our acquisition of Bard Electromedical Systems Inc., was a strategic one as it brought Birtcher a revolutionary new technology in electrosurgery, the Argon Beam Coagulator (ABC). The ABC offers substantial clinical and technological advantages over conventional electrosurgery. In an effort to broaden the ABC market, we are developing additional products to increase the number of potential surgical applications.

"The improved sales and earnings in the fourth quarter are a reflection of our initial success in capitalizing on the ABC's existing clinical advantages in a number of procedures. We see excellent opportunities for growth both by increasing the present ABC's market penetration domestically and internationally, and by developing new products and creating new markets for the ABC."

The Birtcher Corp. designs, manufactures, distributes and sells a variety of electronic medical instruments and their related disposable supplies for all segments of the health care industry worldwide.

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UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Corporation (NYSE: WU) has extended the period of its current exchange offer, which had been scheduled to expire at midnight on Aug. 27, to midnight on Friday Sept. 7, 1990.

In the exchange offer, which is a key component of the company's recapitalization plan, Western Union is proposing to issue new notes and common shares in exchange for up to $530 million of its presently outstanding 19-1/4 percent senior secured notes and 16 percent notes. The reclassification of Western Union preferred shares into common shares, which is the other major component of the recapitalization plan, was approved by the company's shareholders on Aug. 16.

Preliminary figures indicate that as of midnight on Aug. 27, $325,177,000 aggregate principal amount of Western Union's 19-1/4 percent notes and $1,150,000 aggregate principal amount of its 16 percent notes had been

tendered in the current exchange offer (including securities as to which delivery has been guaranteed).

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CHICAGO (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Santa Fe Pacific Corporation (NYSE: SFX) (SFP) announced that it was modifying and extending its offer to exchange shares of common stock and cash for up to $200 million principal amount of its outstanding 16 percent senior subordinated debentures due 2003. As originally announced, the exchange offer was to have expired at midnight, August 27.

The original exchange offer was subject to a minimum exchange value of $18 per share, based upon the average of the closing prices of SFP stock for ten trading days ending on Aug. 27. Although the company's stock was trading above $19 when the exchange offer was announced on July 31, as a result of the recent broad downturn in the market average for the period in question was below the minimum.

Robert O. Krebs, chairman, president and chief executive officer of SFP, said that more tan $145 million principal amount of debentures had been tendered before the original expiration date. "Rather than proceed with the exchange of those debentures, however, we felt that in fairness to our investors we should modify the offer. We have therefore reduced the minimum exchange value to $15 per share, and extended the offer to September 11," he announced. The actual exchange value will be based upon the average of the closing prices per share of Santa Fe common stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange composite tape for the ten trading days ending on Sept. 11.

Those who have already tendered their debentures will receive the benefit of the revised terms, Krebs said.

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SHELTON, CT (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Raytech Corp. (NYSE: RAY) today announced that net income for the second quarter ended July 1, 1990, was $2.5 million compared to $1.8 million in the second quarter of last year.

Earnings per share equated to $.48 compared to $.28 per share a year earlier.

Raytech's net sales for the second quarter were $36.8 million, an increase of $7 million, or 24 percent over the same period last year. This increase is attributable primarily to sales at the newly established Allomatic Products Co., which equalled $5.7 million. Without Allomatic's sales contribution, sales increased $1.3 million, or 4 percent compared to 1989's results. This primarily is a result of increased demand within the heavy duty product market segment.

Net sales of $71.7 million during the first six months of 1990 increased $11.4 million, or 19 percent compared with the first six months of 1989. Excluding sales of $10.9 million for Allomatic Products Co. for 1990, sales increased $549,000 or 1 percent compared with 1989.

Net income for the first six months of 1990 was $6.4 million, or $1.22 per share compared to $2.9 million, or $.47 per share in 1989. Excluding an extraordinary gain of $2.6 million resulting from early extinguishment of debt, the company's net income for the first six months was $3.8 million for an improvement of 31 percent vs. 1989.

The major factors contributing to the increase in earnings per share relate to the following programs:

1. Control of the dilution of Raytech stock. The company purchased 2.2 million shares, or about 40 percent of the potential outstanding common stock in 1989.

2. Reduction of the corporate long-term debt. As a result of the early extinguishment of debt and subsequent elimination of five years of future interest payments, Raytech was able to effectively reduce outstanding principle and interest obligations by $13 million.

3. The Raybestos Products Co. paper making manufacturing process now is fully operational and performing as planned. The company realized significant improvements in Raybestos Products Co.'s performance in the first quarter of 1990, and this trend in expected to continue.

Raytech Corp. is headquartered in Shelton, with operations serving world markets for energy absorption and power transmission products, as well as fasteners and custom-engineered components.

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JACKSON, MI (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company set an all-time record electric peak demand Monday as humid Michigan weather drove the utility's electric system to an unofficial sendout of 5,881

megawatts for the hour ending at 5 p.m.

The new all-time hourly peak surpasses the previous hourly peak record of 5,869 megawatts set Aug. 17, 1988.

Purchases of electric power from the Midland Cogeneration Venture, which began operating earlier this year, helped the utility serve customers' record power demand.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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#90240p9228 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Mellon Bank Corp. (NYSE: MEL) announced today that it is considering the sale of the corporate account segment of its Corporate Trust Group, part of the Corporation's Trust and Investment Department.

In the Corporate Trust Group, Mellon serves as trustee for both corporate and municipal debt issues.

In making the announcement, Mellon said it has obtained expressions of interest from a number of prospective buyers, and that it expects to complete a bidding process and reach an agreement of sale in the fourth quarter of 1990. The corporation indicated it intends to remain active in the municipal account segment of the business.

The corporate account segment includes nearly 1,500 issues for which Mellon currently serves as trustee and has annual revenue of approximately $5 million.

Where transfer to another trustee is restricted for a particular type of corporate account, Mellon may choose to retain the account. Mellon's Trust and Investment Department is one of the largest trust operations in the United States, offering a comprehensive range of investment and other services to corporate pension funds, foundations and endowments, financial institutions and private clients.

With assets of $31.7 billion at June 30, 1990, Mellon Bank Corp. is one of the nation's largest bank holding companies. Through its subsidiaries, it provides wholesale, middle market and retail banking, as well as numerous service products including trust and investment, cash management and

financial data processing.

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NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Avondale Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: AVDL) announced that on Aug. 27 its board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.23 per share payable on Sept. 27 to all common shareholders of record on Sept. 12.

Avondale Industries Inc., headquartered in metro New Orleans, is one of the nation's leading marine fabricators. In addition to its shipbuilding operations, the company specializes in boat and LCAC construction and is a major repair contractor for commercial and Navy ships. It is also involved in the modular construction of plants and components for a variety of land-based industries.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Mellon Bank (NYSE: MEL) has committed $250,000 to the University of Pennsylvania to be used as fellowships for minority Ph.D. candidates in the School of Arts and Sciences.

The gift supports two scholarships each year for 10 years. "Mellon's generous gift permits us to address the severe shortage of minority graduate students in higher education," said Frederick C. Nahm, vice president of development and university relations for the University of Pennsylvania.

"Penn is strongly committed to attracting the best minority Ph.D. applicants to its programs. This fellowship begins to do that."

Nahm noted that a large number of Penn's minority Ph.D. graduates, though recruited nationwide, take up residence in the Delaware Valley after earning their degrees and become influential citizens.

"Investing in education is a very positive way for Mellon to demonstrate its commitment to the community where we do business," said Tom Donovan, chairman of Mellon Bank in Philadelphia. "The University of Pennsylvania has an outstanding reputation for educational excellence and we are

confident that our contribution will make a difference."

Mellon Fellows will be chosen through a review committee set up by the university. Selection will be based on academic credentials. There will be a public service component, committing fellowship recipients to spend a certain amount of time helping the Philadelphia community.

Mellon Bank also supports a Minority Scholarship Program that provides up to 10 scholarships annually to gifted minority students enrolled in undergraduate programs at selected Pennsylvania schools. These scholarships include paid internships at Mellon locations in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia.

At June 30, 1990, Mellon Bank in Philadelphia (Mellon Bank and PSFS) had assets of $9.2 billion, deposits of $8 billion and 120 branch offices. On May 18, Mellon completed its purchase of 54 PSFS branches. With assets of $31.7 billion at June 30, 1990, Mellon Bank Corp. is one of the nation's largest bank holding companies. Through its subsidiaries, it provides wholesale, middle market and retail banking, as well as numerous banking service products including trust and investment, data processing and cash management.

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ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrill Corporation (NASDAQ: MRLL) today announced record operating results for the six-month period ended July 31, 1990.

Revenue for the six months was $47,768,000, an increase of 56 percent from $30,669,000 for the same period a year ago. Net income for the six months was $2,282,000, or 62 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $(844,000), or (23) cents per share, last year.

Revenue for the second fiscal quarter, also a Company record, was $24,480,000, an increase of 72 percent from $14,212,000 in the second quarter a year ago. Net income for the quarter was $922,000, or 25 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $(1,702,000), or (45) cents per share last year.

Results for both prior-year periods included a non-operating charge of approximately $1.8 million, or 48 cents per share, from the write-off of the Company's investment in Sorg, Inc.

Merrill President and CEO, John Castro, said, "Our first-half results reflect continued revenue growth in all sectors, especially our commercial

business where revenue was nearly triple last year's level. The strong improvement in volume somewhat mitigated continued competitive margin pressures, particularly in the financial and corporate sectors."

Merrill Corporation is a leading provider of on-demand 24-hour-a-day typesetting, printing, document reproduction and distribution services to financial, legal and corporate markets nationwide.

MERRILL CORPORATION -- FINANCIAL SUMMARY
(In thousands, except share and per share data)

	Three Month Ended July 31		Six Months Ended July 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$24,480	$14,212	$47,768	$30,669
Cost of sales	17,078	9,891	31,721	19,395
Gross profit	7,402	4,321	16,047	11,274
Selling, general & administrative expenses	6,241	4,298	12,497	9,653
Other income (net)	147	106	193	208
Writedown of marketable equity securities		(1,792)		(1,792)
Income (loss) before tax provision	1,308	(1,663)	3,743	37
Provision for income tax	(474)	(55)	(1,497)	(786)
Minority interest	88	16	36	(95)
Net income (loss)	$922	$(1,702)	$2,282	$(844)
Net income (loss) per common equivalent share	$.25	$(.45)	$.62	$(.23)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	3,686,591	3,749,883	3,665,022	3,725,897

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MIAMI (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Cordis Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CORD) today reported sharply higher sales and earnings for its fourth quarter and fiscal 1990 ended June 30.

Revenues for the three months were $46.1 million, 22 percent ahead of the corresponding prior-year period. Angiography revenues were up 26 percent while neuroscience sales were essentially flat.

Fiscal 1990 sales increased 16 percent to $163.7 million. Angiography sales, which represented 90 percent of total revenues, advanced 18 percent; neuroscience sales were basically unchanged. The net sales figure

represented a 53 percent gain since fiscal 1987, the year Cordis restructured itself to focus exclusively on angiography and neuroscience.

Earnings were much improved for the quarter and the year. For the quarter, Cordis had income from continuing operations of $4.0 million, or 29 cents a share, a 97 percent gain over the prior-year period.

The disposal of two subsidiaries at the end of June - Norland Corporation and Theratek International, Inc. - resulted in a significant inflow of cash for the company, but had a minimal impact upon fourth quarter results.

The gain on the sale of Norland offset requirements in the discontinued operations reserve; the loss associated with the disposal of Theratek's assets, coupled with its loss from operations, was offset by a gain on the sale of certain company assets related to the subsidiary. In previous quarters, Theratek had been reflected on the income statement as a joint venture.

For the year, income from continuing operations was up 55 percent to $10.2 million, or 75 cents a share. Net income also finished the year at $10.2 million, compared to 1989s loss of $5.1 million, or 38 cents a share, which was due to charges to discontinued operations. The fiscal 1990 results represented Cordis' strongest earnings performance since 1984.

Miami-based Cordis Corporation manufactures and markets a variety of medical devices and systems for the angiographic and neurosurgical markets. Shares of the company's stock are traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol CORD.

CORDIS CORPORATION CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
Three Months and Twelve Months Ended June 30, 1990 and 1989
(dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

	(Unuadited) Three Months		(Audited) Twelve Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 46,130	$ 37,675	$163,674	$141,220
Income before income taxes - continuing operations	$ 6,393	$ 571	$ 17,196	$ 9,363
Provision for income taxes	1,242	(2,273)	4,159	394
Income from continuing operations before Theratek	5,151	2,844	13,037	8,969
Equity in loss of Theratek International, Inc.	(1,188)	(829)	(2,880)	(2,420)
Income from continuing operations	3,963	2,015	10,157	6,549

Loss from discontinued operations	--	(3,000)	--	(11,635)
Net income (loss)	$ 3,963	$ (985)	$ 10,157	$ 5,086
Earning (loss) per share:				
Income from continuing operations before Theratek	$ 0.38	$ 0.21	$ 0.96	$ 0.67
Equity in loss of Theratek International, Inc.	(0.09)	(0.06)	(0.21)	(0.18)
Income from continuing operations	0.29	0.15	0.75	0.49
Loss from discontinued operations	--	(0.22)	--	(0.87)
Net income (loss)	$ 0.29	$ (0.07)	$ 0.75	$ (0.38)
Weighted average shares outstanding	13,625,000	13,437,000	13,527,000	13,432,000

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BOHEMIA, N.Y. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Symbol Technologies Inc. (NYSE: SBL), the world leader in barcode-based data capture systems, today introduced the PDT 3300, the fourth member of Symbol's line of lightweight 16-bit, DOS-based portable data collectors that combine the flexibility of hand-held units with the functionality of laptop computers.

The PDT 3300 dramatically increases the capabilities of portable data computers for implementing applications in the retail, industrial, commercial and field information systems markets. Applications such as direct store delivery, shelf price auditing, inventory management, field service reporting and sales order entry can now be more easily implemented.

Through innovative packaging, the versatile PDT 3300 is designed to withstand harsh industrial environments -- including wind-blown rain and a 4-foot drop to concrete -- without loss of valuable programs or data.

"The PDT 3300 extends Symbol Technologies' product offering in the 16-bit arena," said Lester "Buck" Hill, president of Symbol Technologies Portable Systems Division located in Costa Mesa, Calif. "This is a rugged product with substantial memory capacity and a variety of options and peripherals for virtually any kind of data collection application."

Featuring DOS compatibility, the PDT 3300 allows customers to use industry standard, PC-based software tools and programs to develop application software.

In addition, application programs can be stored in non-volatile memory for lower power consumption and more efficient use of the terminal's random access memory (RAM). This innovation also allows programs to be changed without removing electronic chips or program storage cartridges from the units.

The PDT 3300, weighing only one pound and measuring 8-inches by 3.5-inches by 1.75-inches, features a real-time clock for precise time/date stamping; a moisture resistant keyboard; and an 8-line by 20-character supertwist backlit pixel-addressable display that is easy to read from almost any angle and in any lighting condition.

The Symbol Technologies PDT 3300 operates up to 40 hours on a rechargeable Nicad battery and up to 60 hours on two 9-volt alkaline batteries. The portable data computer also contains backup lithium cells to protect stored data while the main batteries are being replaced.

The PDT 3300 combines an internal modem; direct connect RS-232 full serial data communications port, which operates at speeds of up to 115.2 K baud; and external two-way acoustic communications capability to provide the user with the flexibility to communicate with the host computer at any time.

The PDT 3300 is priced beginning at $1,695 and began shipping in August 1990.

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#90240p9240 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Gateway Communications (NASDAQ/NMS: GWAY) today announced that it has added both data compression and high speed file transfer software modules to its popular G/Remote Bridge family of IPX routers, at no additional cost.

With these new features, G/Remote Bridge provides local area network users with substantially increased throughput performance when accessing remote network information.

The new Data Compression Module (DCM) improves user response time in real-time interactive application-dependent operations by condensing the

volume of information in data packets before transmission, and decompressing the data after the data packets are received.

The new File Transfer Module (FTM) streamlines batch file transfer for users requiring local processing of files stored on a remote LAN. FTM provides high speed LAN-to-LAN file movement, enabling users to process file-intensive tasks locally with better responsiveness. Once the file has been transferred, the user attends to this tasks locally.

Ed Fudurich, vice president of Research & Development explained, "Both DCM and FTM overcome performance problems caused by NetWare communications protocol and IPX transmission bottlenecks between remote LANs. As a result the speed of movement of data from LAN to LAN across communications lines public or private, is maximized."

Both data compressions and file transfer modules are built-in to the standard G/Remote Bridge family of products and are now shipping. Upgrades for existing G/Remote Bridge users are available for $300.

G/Remote Bridge functions as an IPX router to provide connections between remote NetWare LANs, regardless of LAN topology or vendor. LAN-to-LAN connections are supported via dial, leased, or fractional T1 lines, or through public or private data networks at speeds up to 56/64 kbps.

Each bridge server contains modular software providing X.25 protocol routing, DCM and FTM software modules, and is supported by a WNIM communications co-processor. Users can connect to a communications network through an RS-232-C or V.35 interface. The capacity for 128 virtual circuits per bridge provides extended traffic-carrying capabilities.

The G/Remote Bridge family consists of G/Remote Bridge, priced at $1,595, and G/X25 Gateway & Bridge, priced at $2,495, both of which operate at speeds up to 19.2 kbps. For performance at 56/64 kbps, the family includes G/Remote Bridge 64, priced at $2,495, and G/X25 Gateway & Bridge 64, priced at $3,445.

Gateway Communications Inc., designs, manufactures and markets a full range of networking and communications products for IBM and compatible personal computers. Gateway products are sold in more than 70 countries worldwide. Corporate and international headquarters are located at 2941 Alton Ave., Irvine, Calif., 92714; telephone (714) 553-1555; fax (714) 553-1616.

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DENVER (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Newmont Mining Corp. (NYSE: NEM) today announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Newmont Proprietary Ltd., has entered into an agreement to sell to Poseidon Gold Ltd. 19.99 percent of the ordinary shares of Newmont Australia Ltd. for (Australia) $1.25 per share, or an aggregate purchase price of approximately (Australia) $166 million (U.S. $137 million at current exchange rates). Following the sale, Newmont Mining will continue to hold 24.19 percent of the shares of Newmont Australia. Poseidon Gold is incorporated in South Australia.

Poseidon Gold has announced that it will commence an offer to purchase the remaining outstanding Newmont Australia shares at an exchange ratio of two ordinary shares of Newmont Australia for one ordinary share of Poseidon Gold. Newmont Mining intends to dispose of its remaining interest in Newmont Australia, subject to market conditions, either in the open market or by tendering its shares into the Poseidon Gold offer.

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TALLAHASSEE, FL (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS/DATA Corporation (NASDAQ: LAWR), today reported revenues and earnings for the fourth quarter of 1990 and for the year ended June 30, 1990.

Fourth quarter revenues were $2,899,400, compared to $3,627,500 for the same period of the prior year. Net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 was $325,600, compared to $11,900 for the same quarter of the prior year.

Earnings per share for the quarter were 13 cents on 2,601,200 weighted average shares outstanding, compared to one cent on 1,800,000 weighted average shares outstanding for the same period of the prior year.

For the year ended June 30, 1990, revenues climbed to $12,506,300 from $7,409,800 for the prior fiscal year, an increase of 68.8 percent. Net income for the year ended June 30, 1990 was $1,433,700, compared to a loss of $392,700 for the prior fiscal year.

Earnings per share for the fiscal year June 30, 1990 were 71 cents on 2,005,800 weighted average shares outstanding, compared to a loss per share of 18 cents on 2,218,100 shares in the prior fiscal year.

The company attributes the increases in revenues and net income for fiscal year 1990 to the positive acceptance of its CLO 2(R) systems in the legal profession. Increases in software sales and decreases in hardware sales resulted in higher net income and lower total revenue for the fourth quarter.

The company is extremely pleased with the response it has received from its new network-based document management product PC DOCS(R). The company intends to continue its investment in research and development, sales and marketing, as well as to explore possible joint ventures or acquisitions of companies engaged in the development of software products and other computer-related businesses.

CMS/DATA Corporation designs, markets, installs, supports and integrates systems for the legal profession. In addition, the company has developed and its actively marketing PC DOCS (R) for WordPerfect(TM) and Novell(R) Users, PC DOCS(R) is distributed through computer software resellers across the United States and Canada and is targeted at businesses, government and education as well as the legal market.

CMS/DATA CORPORATION STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Quarter Ended:	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenues: System Sales	$2,240,200	$2,946,600
Misc. sales, services and software support agreements	659,200	680,900
Total revenues	2,899,400	3,627,500
Costs and expenses before depreciation and amortization, interest and income taxes:		
Costs of sales and services	1,314,200	2,808,000
Selling, general and admin. expenses	1,170,200	761,300
	2,484,400	3,569,300
Income (loss) before depreciation and amortization, interest and income taxes	415,000	58,200
Depreciation and amortization exp.	39,600	26,300
Interest expense	9,800	20,000
Income (loss) before income taxes	365,600	11,900
Income taxes	40,000	--
Net income (loss)	$ 325,600	$ 11,900
Earnings (loss) per common shr.	$ .13	$ .01
Weighted avg. shares and share equivalents	2,601,200	1,800,000

Year Ended:	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenues: System Sales	$10,429,300	$5,569,500
Misc. sales, services and software support agreements	2,077,000	1,840,300
Total revenues	12,506,300	7,409,800
Costs and expenses before		

depreciation and amortization, interest and income taxes:		
Costs of sales and services	7,144,300	5,718,800
Selling, general and admin. expenses	3,640,800	1,903,800
	10,785,100	7,622,600
Income (loss) before depreciation and amortization, interest and income taxes	1,721,200	(212,800)
Depreciation and amortization exp.	106,800	84,800
Interest expense	63,700	95,100
Income (loss) before income taxes	1,550,700	(392,700)
Income taxes	117,000	--
Net income (loss)	$1,433,700	$ (392,700)
Earnings (loss) per common shr.	$ .71	$ (.18)
Weighted avg. shares and share equivalents	2,005,800	2,218,100

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ATLANTA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - BEI Holdings Ltd. (NASDAQ: BEIH) today reported the results for the third quarter and nine months of fiscal 1990, ended July 31.

Net income for the quarter was $442,354, or $.05 per share, on combined consulting and management services and real estate development operations revenues of $9.1 million. This compares to a net loss in the third quarter of 1989 of $3,387,230, or $.35 per share, on revenues of $6.3 million. The third quarter of 1989 included $2,105,000 in non-recurring charges related to reserves for receivables and unbilled revenues, as well as certain severance costs.

For the nine months of fiscal 1990, net income was $4,201,273, or $.44 per share, on combined consulting and management services and real estate revenues of $28.1 million. This compares to a net loss of $4,776,258, or $.52 per share, inclusive of the non-recurring charges recognized in the third quarter, on revenues of $16.2 million in 1989.

Net income for the nine months of 1990 includes $3,015,000 (after provision for income taxes net of the utilization of an operating loss carryforward) from the sale of its subsidiary, ARTRAC Corp. The remaining $1,186,000 of net income is from recurring operations. Cash proceeds from the ARTRAC sale and repayments of mortgages receivable have been used to significantly reduce the debt outstanding at the beginning of fiscal 1990.

BEI is a diversified consulting firm offering specialized services to banks, thrifts, credit unions and regulatory agencies. Specific areas of expertise include earnings improvement, strategic planning, mergers and acquisitions, regulatory advice, real estate services and human resource consulting. Since its inception, BEI has served over 800 financial institutions in the U.S. and abroad. BEI is headquartered in Atlanta with offices throughout the United States.

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JENKINTOWN, PA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Flagship Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: FLGF) today announced that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 345,000 shares, or approximately ten percent, of the company's outstanding common stock.

The repurchases are authorized to be made from time to time in open market transactions during the next 12 months as, in the opinion of management, market conditions may warrant. Purchases are expected to begin in the near future and the repurchased shares will be held as treasury stock, available for general corporate purposes.

Commenting on this decision, Frank P. Felton 3rd, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The board believes that, given our recent announcement to get significant restructuring decisions behind us, this is an opportune time for the company to purchase Flagship stock.

"In our judgment, the current price of the company's common stock, which represents a 67 percent discount from Flagship's tangible book value at June 30, 1990, does not adequately reflect the company's long-term business prospects and therefore represents an excellent investment opportunity."

According to John M. Mason, president and chief operating officer, "From a purely financial aspect, the repurchase of common stock has several benefits including an improvement in earnings per share and return on equity. Importantly, the repurchase program can be fully implemented without impairing Flagship's financial condition and each thrift subsidiary will continue to exceed the fully phased-in capital requirements."

Flagship Financial, which ranks among the ten largest publicly traded thrifts in Pennsylvania, conducts business through its wholly owned subsidiaries First American Savings and Brandywine Savings Bank.

First American currently operates 12 full-service and six "convenience" branches in Pennsylvania and New Jersey; its five New Jersey facilities are expected to be closed by year end. Brandywine Savings Bank operates nine full-service branches in Chester County, Pa. The common stock of Flagship Financial is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FLGF.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Carl E. Soderman has been named manager of operations, effective Sept. 1, for National Helium Corporation, located near Liberal, Kans, it was announced today. National Helium is a subsidiary of Centana Energy Corporation, a unit of Panhandle Eastern Corporation (NYSE: PEL). Soderman will report to James T. Rintamaki, general manager for National Helium and Cimarron River System, both units of Centana Energy.

Soderman joined Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company's gas supply department in June 1988 and in November 1988 transferred to the company's engineering department.

A 1979 graduate of the University of Texas, Soderman received a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering. Soderman and his wife, Alice, have one son, Eric, one year.

In addition to National Helium and Cimarron River System, Centana Energy operations include Cenref Labs with facilities in Liberal, Kans., and Brighton, Colo., and Century Refining Company.

Panhandle Eastern Corporation operates one of the nation's largest interstate natural gas pipeline systems providing natural gas to the Midwest and Northeast markets.

CONTACT: Maureen G. MacAuley, 713-627-4076, or Dorothy M. Ables, 713-627-4600, both of Panhandle Eastern Corp.

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#90240p9255 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCHENECTADY, N.Y. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Samuel A. Schulhof, a former associate administrator with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, has been appointed director of the newly created Environmental Research Center at the GE Research and Development Center in Schenectady, N.Y. The announcement was made today by Dr. Walter L. Robb, GE senior vice president for corporate research and development.

Schulhof comes to GE from the University of Pittsburgh, where he served as associate vice president for research and executive vice president and chief operating officer for the University of Pittsburgh Trust.

Schulhof will be responsible for managing the Environmental Research Center, which will focus GE's efforts in environmental research and development on practical applications and marketplace opportunities for newly developed technologies. He will assume his new role on Sept. 1.

The Environmental Research Center will serve as a resource for GE's 13 key businesses and will work closely with the R&D Center's four other major technical components: the chemical research center, the electronic systems research center, the engineering physics research center, and the materials research center. Additionally, the new center will host educational forums and programs, and will seek to raise environmental consciousness throughout the company.

Prior to joining the University of Pittsburgh in 1985, Schulhof held several senior-level federal government appointments, including four years at EPA, where he served first as the deputy assistant administrator for management and then as the associate administrator for regional operations. In addition, he served as the assistant director of ACTION/Peace Corps in the Reagan administration, deputy special assistant to former Presidents Nixon and Ford, and assistant to former Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Elliot Richardson.

While at the University of Pittsburgh, Schulhof created the center for hazardous materials research, the National Environmental Technology Applications Corporation, and the National Defense Environmental Corporation. He served as chairman of the board of directors for all three organizations, which provide a wide range of technical assistance, training, applied research and commercialization services to industry and state and federal governments.

Schulhof's other activities include serving as founder and a member of the board of directors of The Institute for Cooperative Environmental Management in Philadelphia, a member of the board of directors of the Ben Franklin Center of western Pennsylvania and the Governor's Environmental Technology Fund Board, and co-chairperson of the international committee of the Environmental Protection Agency's National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology.

Schulhof was graduated from C.W. Post College of Long Island University in 1964 with a B.S. degree in business administration.

CONTACT: Mike Ruggeri of GE, 518-387-6374

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#90240p9257 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Aileen, Inc. (NYSE: AEE), a manufacturer and retailer of women's apparel, today announced the financial results of thirteen and thirty-nine week periods ended July 28, 1990.

AILEEN, INC.
Statement of Income (Unaudited)

13 weeks ended	7/28/90	7/29/89
Net sales	$17,560,000	$16,726,000
Net earnings (loss)	2,145,000	(1,319,000)
Earnings (loss) per share	.42	(.26)
39 weeks ended	7/28/90	7/29/89
Net sales	$43,560,000	$45,128,000
Net earnings (loss)	1,577,000	(3,049,000)
Earnings (loss) per share	.31	(.59)

The improved results, in the face of reduced wholesale activities, reflect an increase of 17 percent in retail store sales for the quarter over the prior year. These increased sales were generated with 23 fewer stores than were open in last year's third quarter.

Abe Oberlin, chairman of the board and president, attributed the dramatic turnaround to the success of the previously announced restructuring program, which has simplified and reduced the cost of manufacturing operations, lowered inventories and enabled the company to dispose of excess plant, machinery and equipment. The improved results also reflect the introduction of a "soft career dressing" line, which complements the traditional activewear and playwear lines. "The broader selection available to customers has received a remarkable response and enhanced profits by substantially reducing retail markdowns", according to Oberlin.

CONTACT: Robert Tarpley of Aileen, 703-984-4181

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#90240p9263 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Manville Forest Products Corp. (MFP) announced today that Manville International, B.V. has acquired the assets of Visypack Pty. Ltd., a leading producer of lithographic folding cartons in Australia, from the Pratt Group of Melbourne. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

"Visypack's impressive market position offers us a tremendous opportunity in our continuing effort to expand internationally, particularly in Australia and the Pacific Rim," said Thomas H. Johnson, president, Manville Forest Products.

"This acquisition complements recent acquisitions in Europe and further positions MFP as a worldwide paperboard and packaging producer." The company announced in April that it had acquired DRG Cartons Limited in Bristol, England and in June that it had acquired Fiskeby Board AB of Norrkoping, Sweden.

Johnson also said that Darcy Good, national general manager of Visypack, has been appointed Asian Pacific regional director and chief executive of the Australian Visypack operation. The present management and workforce of Visypack will be retained and the company will continue to trade under the Visypack name.

MFP will provide resources and expertise in the areas of paper, specialized packaging machinery for the beverage industry and general packaging. Good will report to Octavio Orta, MFP vice president, international.

Visypack is a leader in folding cartons and packaging for the beverage industry in Australia and has operations in South Australia, Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland. It was acquired by the Pratt Group in 1981 and has progressively expanded its market share and operations since that time. In 1989, Visypack posted gross sales of approximately US$140 million.

The Visypack acquisition satisfies Manville's obligation under its debt covenants to reinvest proceeds from the European sale of the company's refractory fiber business in foreign operations.

MFP is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Manville Corp. and is headquartered in West Monroe, La. The company is a diversified manufacturing company with major business segments in paperboard, packaging and wood products.

MFP operates a paper mill in West Monroe; nine domestic converting plants throughout the United States; one carton plant in the U.K.; a mill and converting plant in Sweden; two paper mills and three container plants in Brazil. Operating earnings in 1989 of $180 million represented approximately 49 percent of Manville Corp.'s consolidated operating earnings.

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#90240p9265 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANDOVER, MD (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Hechinger Company (NASDAQ-NMS: HECHA HECHB) which operates a chain of specialty retail do-it-yourself home centers, today announced sales and earnings for its second quarter, which ended Aug. 4, 1990.

Sales for the quarter were up 16 percent to $389.7 million from $336.9 million last year. Earnings increased ten percent to $10.8 million ($.30 per share) from $9.8 million ($.27 per share) last year. Comparable store sales were flat during the quarter.

Sales for the first half were up 20 percent to $734.3 million from $611.7 million last year. Earnings, before the nonrecurring cumulative effect of adoption of SFAS, Accounting for Income Taxes, were $19.2 million ($.53 per share) up 12 percent from $17.1 million ($.48 per share) last year. Comparable store sales were up 4 percent for the first half of the current year.

During the second quarter, two Home Quarters Warehouse stores were opened. In May, HQ opened a third store in the Charlotte market, Gastonia, N.C., and in June opened a second HQ unit in the Birmingham market, Fairfield, Ala. Expansion plans call for a third Birmingham store and a fourth Alabama store is currently under construction in Montgomery, Ala.

On Aug. 19, HQ opened its first two stores in the Boston market. The stores are located in Danvers, Mass. to the north, and in Norwood, Mass. in the southern portion of the market.

Customer reaction to the grand opening was overwhelmingly positive. The company is excited about the opportunity to service the needs of this major market with additional stores.

These units are the first of 12 to 15 planned for the greater Boston region. Three additional stores are under construction: Brockton, Mass. is scheduled to open later this year; Portland, Maine., and Shrewsbury, Mass. are scheduled for spring 1991.

The company also announced a store in Manchester, N.H., the first store in New Hampshire, as well as its first Rhode Island store in Attleboro, a suburb of Providence. Both stores are expected to open in late 1991.

In addition, in August a unit was opened in Denbigh, Va. bringing the HQ presence in the Tidewater area to five stores. The three stores opened in August are the most in any month in the company's history and are part of a plan to grow HQ to a 50-store chain with sales in excess of one billion dollars over the next three years.

The company also announced Gary Mercer will join the company on Sept. 4, 1990 as senior vice president, Store Operations, replacing Richard L. Ponton who retired.

Mr. Mercer has an extensive background in executive positions in large retail chain operations. Most recently he served as executive vice

president, Store Operations, for a national chain of retail stores. In addition, the company announced that Mark R. Adams, assistant treasurer, was elected corporate secretary in addition to his current responsibilities.

Hechinger Company operates 87 Hechinger stores, 20 Home Quarters Warehouse stores and 6 Triangle Building Centers stores in 14 states and the District of Columbia.

HECHINGER COMPANY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS
(in thousands except per share data)

	13 Weeks Ended		26 Weeks Ended	
	Aug. 4, '90	July 29, '89	Aug. 4, '90	July 29, '89
Revenues				
Net sales	$389,677	$336,867	$734,329	$611,737
Other (principally interest)	812	1,619	1,890	3,428
Total revenue	390,489	338,486	736,219	615,165
Costs and Expenses				
Cost of sales	290,174	253,881	547,383	458,588
Selling, general and administrative expenses	81,440	67,678	154,754	126,398
Interest expense	3,036	2,931	6,261	5,750
Total costs and expenses	374,650	324,490	708,398	590,736
Earnings before income taxes and cumulative effect of adoption of SFAS 96	15,839	13,996	27,821	24,429
Income taxes	5,029	4,199	8,624	7,329
Earnings before cumulative effect of adoption of SFAS 96	$10,810	$ 9,797	$19,197	$17,100
As detailed below				
Primary and fully				

diluted earnings per share: Before cumulative effect of adoption of SFAS 96	$ .30	$ .27	$ .53	$ .48
Average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding, Primary and fully diluted	40,476,184	40,735,041	40,582,919	40,858,781

NOTE: During the year ended Feb. 3, 1990, the company adopted SFAS 96, Accounting for Income Taxes. The cumulative effect of this change for the prior years resulted in an increase in net earnings of $3.2 million in the quarter ended April 29, 1989, or $.07 per share. Net earnings per common share for the 26 weeks ended July 29, 1989 were $.55 per share.

CONTACT: Lennie Zallar, vice president and treasurer, Hechinger Company, (301) 925-3170.

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#90240p9272 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeion Corporation (NASDAQ: ANGN) has received notice from the United States Department of Commerce's Patent and Trademark Office that two patent applications for its arrythmia project have been allowed.

The patents provide broad coverage for Angeion's through-the-skin catheter, which is designed to provide a nonsurgical cure for arrhythmia using laser energy. The arrhythmia project, under development by Angeion's subsidiary AngeLase, is scheduled to begin clinical trials early next year.

Currently, there is no nonsurgical cure for arrhythmia, which is the number one cause of death for people between the ages of 30 and 65. The estimated market for an arrhythmia cure product is in the hundreds of millions, possibly billions, of dollars.

Minneapolis-based Angeion Corporation, a manufacturer of cardiovascular products, is traded on the NASDAQ market under the symbol ANGN and the Boston Stock Exchange under the symbol ANI.

CONTACT: Perry Ketchum or Brenda Roth, (612) 925-1924, both of Ketchum & Metz, for Angeion.

-30- 1263

#90240p9275 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

STATE COLLEGE, PA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of United Federal Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: UFBK) Monday declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.09 per share on the company's common stock, it was announced today. The dividend is payable Sept. 28, 1990, to stockholders of record Sept. 12, 1990.

United Federal Bancorp is the holding company for United Federal Savings Bank, a federally chartered savings bank with total assets of $496 million and total deposits of $396 million at June 30, 1990.

The bank conducts its operations from its home office in State College, Pa., and ten full-service offices located in Bellefonte, Centre Hall, Clearfield, Philipsburg and Huntingdon, Pa.

CONTACT: Charles C. Pearson Jr., chief executive officer, or Donald L. Gross, chief operating officer, (814) 231-1600, both of United Federal Bancorp.

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#90240p9279 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Motor Cars, importer of Sterling luxury sedans, today announced that it welcomes a new employee to its headquarters here.

Gary Sonnenberg will join the service department as a field auditor reporting to the warranty manager.

Sonnenberg comes to Sterling with experience in the wholesale import business, in service management and warranty auditing.

Sterling Motor Cars markets the Sterling 827S, 827Si, 827SL, 827SLi, and the limited-production Oxford Edition.

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#90240p9282 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - GATX Corp. (NYSE: GMT) announced today that GATX/CL Air, the joint venture between GATX Air and Paris-based Credit Lyonnais, has been expanded to include three Japanese investors and one United States investor.

The new participants include The Mitsubishi Bank, Limited (NYSE: MBK); Nichimen Corp.; The Sanwa Bank, Limited; and Household Commercial Financial

Services, Inc. Each will take a ten percent interest.

GATX/CL Air, which specializes in aircraft operating leasing, is established in the Netherlands Antilles and operates outside of the United States. The venture will continue to be managed by GATX Air and co-managed by Credit Lyonnais.

"Building on the combination of the marketing, equipment expertise, and financial resources of Credit Lyonnais and GATX, we anticipate the addition of the new partners to help develop expanded aircraft operating leasing capabilities," stated Frederick L. Hatton, president, GATX Air. "The entry of both American and Japanese partners into this joint venture will enable us to explore further opportunities."

The initial $1 billion commitment between GATX and Credit Lyonnais was dedicated to the purchase of five Boeing 737-300s on lease to Varig, the major airline of Brazil and South America's largest airline; one Boeing 767-200ER for LAN-Chile, scheduled for delivery in January 1991; and 20 Airbus A320-200s being delivered between 1990 and 1994, including four for LACSA of Costa Rica and two for Air Inter of France. Further additions of aircraft to the portfolio are expected.

"With the introduction of the four new participants to the GATX/CL Air venture, the shares of GATX and Credit Lyonnais will be reduced to 30 percent each, and further reduced with additional participants in the future," added James M. Robertson, executive vice president, GATX Air.

GATX Air, a division of GATX Capital, San Francisco, currently owns, leases, and provides financing and remarketing services for a fleet of more than 90 commercial jet aircraft including Boeing, McDonnell Douglas and Airbus equipment. Since its inception in 1968, GATX Capital Corp. has arranged financing for equipment, for its own account and for the account of others with an original cost in excess of $10 billion.

GATX Capital is a subsidiary of GATX Corp., Chicago, a $3 billion asset-based services company which provides financial, maintenance, and management services related to rail, aircraft, bulk liquid storage terminals, warehousing, and shipping.

CONTACT: Holly Rea of GATX Corp., 312-621-6493.

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#90240p9284 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASHVILLE, TENN. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Edwin W. Moats, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Metropolitan Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ-NMS: MFTN) today issued the following statement:

The Association has entered into negotiations with the Cincinnati District Office of the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) with regard to the Association's possible voluntary consent to the entry of an administrative order that would impose certain lending limitations on Metropolitan Federal, primarily designed to limit potential exposure to certain types of credit risks. This action follows the completion in February of regulatory examinations of the Association conducted by the OTS and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

Like other financial institutions in our area, Metropolitan Federal has been hurt by conditions in the local real estate market. As previously announced, the Association has established additional loan loss reserves consistent with the findings in the OTS and FDIC examinations. The Association's management team has been working to address these problems, and we intend to work with the regulators as well.

We do not dispute the appropriateness of limiting our activities in some ways until our risk assets can be reduced. Many such restrictions have already been initiated by management in recent months. We are in the process of negotiating an agreement to incorporate the views of both the management of Metropolitan Federal and the OTS.

Metropolitan Federal remains in full compliance with all current minimum capital requirements imposed by statute or regulation.

Metropolitan Federal, Tennessee's largest publicly-traded savings and loan with 19 offices, operates throughout the state. Metropolitan Federal's common stock is traded on the over-the-counter market in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol MFTN.

CONTACT: Merilyn H. Herbert, Executive Vice President, Metropolitan Federal, 615-259-2800

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#90240p9286 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINDSOR LOCKS, CONN. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dexter Corporation (NYSE: DEX), has entered into a letter of intent to purchase the assets of Moore Plastics of Cleveland, Ohio, a recognized industrywide technical innovator of preformed sealants for acoustical damping sold primarily to the North American automotive industry.

Consummation of the proposed purchase is subject to a number of conditions including the execution of a mutually satisfactory purchase and sale agreement.

Commenting on the transaction, K. Graham Walker, president and CEO, The Dexter Corporation said: "The proposed acquisition of Moore Plastics

preformed sealants business, which is expected to close in the fourth quarter of 1990, is an extension of Dexter's line of high- performance materials in the form of engineered adhesives, coating and sealants now serving focused markets, one of which is the automotive industry. The Moore Plastics business will also complement the recently announced intent to acquire the CIBA-GEIGY preformed sealants business of Kansas City, Mo., further demonstrating Dexter's commitment to this focused market."

Moore Plastics will be operated as part off the Dexter Adhesives & Structural Materials Division, a supplier of engineering adhesives, mold releases and precoated headliner fabric to the automotive market. The division has manufacturing plants in California, Ohio, and New Hampshire.

The Dexter Corporation is a Fortune 500 company providing specialty materials and supporting services to customers in six major markets: aerospace, automotive, electronics, food packaging, industrial assembly and finishing, and medical. Founded in 1767, Dexter is the oldest company listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Consolidated net sales and earnings for 1989 were $849 million and $43 million respectively.

CONTACT: David A. Willis, or Ellen M.Cook, 203-627-9051, both of The Dexter Corporation, or Kevin Costello, 212-683-4545, of Cameron Associates

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#90240p9287 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Tandy Brands, Inc. (NYSE: TAB) reported today that sales for The Bombay Company for the four-week period ended Aug. 26, 1990 were $7,744,000, an increase of 32 percent. Sales for stores in existence more than one year decreased 1 percent.

CONTACT: Carson R. Thompson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Tandy Brands, 817-347-8200

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#90240p9289 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA CLARA, Ca (Aug. 28) PR Newswire - Stanford Telecommunications Inc. (NASDAQ: STII) announced that it had been awarded the Administrators' Award for Excellence from the United States Small Business Administration.

The annual award was presented to the company in recognition of outstanding contributions and service to the nation by a small business. Stanford Telecom had been nominated for the award by Lockheed Missles and Space Co. Inc. of Sunnyvale, Calif.

Stanford Telecom designs, manufactures and operates electronic systems

primarily for space programs for government and commercial customers. These systems provide a variety of functions including satellite navigation, communications, earth observation and tracking, telemetry and control for both fixed stations, as well as mobile and airborne users.

CONTACT: Gary Wolf of Stanford Telecom, (408) 748-1010.

-30- 1064

#90240p9290 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURNSVILLE, MINN. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - World Container Corporation (NASDAQ: WRLD) announced the following developments at its recent annual meeting:

1. The Harris Trust and Savings Bank of Chicago has made available up to $1,000,000 to World Container pursuant to a Line of Credit. The company will use these funds for its continuing working capital requirements and to complete the tooling for its new generation of blow- molded collapsible containers. Several major shareholders guaranteed a portion of this Line of Credit.

2. The new Keeper-Pac container, an inexpensive cardboard walled reusable shipping container was unveiled and announced as ready for sale. The Keeper-Pac is designed for light duty shipping and to provide customers with an economical gateway to reusable material handling systems.

3. Sales revenue for the first six months of the current fiscal year have already surpassed the sales revenue for all of the preceding year.

4. Prototype Keeper IV containers delivered to key customers were well received, and the company anticipates a November launch of this new high line collapsible reusable shipping container.

At the shareholders' meeting, the shareholders approved the company's proposed slate of board of directors, including two new directors: Maury Taylor, who is the founder, president and chief executive officer of Diabetes Center, Inc., a publisher, retail operator and distributor of diabetes-related products in Minnetonka, Minn.; and Gordon T. Boyd, chairman and chief executive officer of Omron Marshall Products, Inc., a manufacturer and distributor of medical products in Libertyville, Ill. The shareholders also ratified the expansion of the company's Incentive Stock Ownership Plan and the selection of Silverman & Olsen, Minneapolis, as independent accountants.

World Container Corporation manufactures reusable shipping containers.

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708-244-2000, for World Container

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#90240p9296 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOWELL, MASS. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Wang Laboratories Inc. (AMEX: WAN) today announced Wang VS Ada, an Ada language compiler designed for use with Wang VS computer systems. Wang VS Ada fully conforms to the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standard and has been validated by the Ada Joint Program Office of the U.S. Government Department of Defense (DoD).

Wang VS Ada is based on technology from Alsys, the leader in Ada language systems. "We are very excited about Wang's Ada offering," said Dr. Jean Ichbiah, president of Alsys. "With Wang's strength in the MIS community, the availability of Alsys Ada on the popular VS gives developers a unique opportunity to provide highly reliable, well engineered business solutions for government and industry."

Wang VS Ada provides users with access to Wang Integrated Image Systems and VS operating system services. The product is fully integrated with the VS operating system environment and supports subroutine calls to other programming languages supported on the VS.

"The introduction of Ada on the VS is representative of our continuing commitment to enhance the VS product line," said Ken Nappa, Wang's program manager for Languages and Tools. "Wang now offers customers a uniform line of Ada language products across all standard platforms. Our customers can combine the strengths of Ada with the power of Wang's imaging solutions to reduce their development costs and make them more productive."

One of Wang's early users, Genesis Software Inc., used Wang VS Ada to develop Prompt PayMaster, a comprehensive financial application designed for the federal government. Prompt PayMaster incorporates not only Ada and software engineering technology, but also advanced office automation technologies, such as imaging. "Using Wang VS Ada allowed us to significantly reduce our time-to-market," said Russ McDonough, chief development officer for Genesis Software. "I was very impressed by Wang's willingness to work with us."

Wang VS Ada is available immediately and is priced from $5,000 for low-end VSs to $60,000 for high-end systems.

CONTACT: Linda Volpe Kincaid, 508-967-6425, or Edward F. Clough, 508-967-2917, both of Wang Laboratories

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#90240p9301 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. LOUIS (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Danish-brewed Carlsberg lager - the fastest growing European-brewed import in America - experienced 11.3 percent growth in U.S. sales year-to-date (through July 1990) versus the same period a year ago, it was announced by Anheuser-Busch, Inc. (NYSE: BUD), which distributes the products in the United States.

The strong growth of Carlsberg continues to overshadow the declining sales trend of the overall imported lager beer category. Carlsberg lager finished 1989 with a 22.1 percent sales increase over 1988 and the Carlsberg family (Carlsberg, Carlsberg Light and Elephant Malt Liquor) experienced an 11 percent increase in 1989. Additionally, Carlsberg draught recorded a 31 percent increase in sales-to-date (through July).

"We are extremely pleased with Carlsberg's performance," said Brian Porter, senior brand manager. "Despite the continuing softness of the import category as a whole through the first half of 1990, Carlsberg has maintained its momentum." According to Porter, wholesaler commitment and a busy promotional calendar in key markets are the main reasons for the success of Carlsberg.

Anheuser-Busch, the world's largest brewer, began importing and distributing Carlsberg and Elephant Malt Liquor in 1985; Carlsberg Light in 1986.

CONTACT: Tracy Toenjes for Anheuser-Busch, (314) 982-9166.

-30- 1545
#90240p9305 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Apple Bancorp, Inc. (NYSE: APK) today announced that, as permitted under the company's shareholder rights plan, the board of directors has postponed until Sept. 6, 1990 the date on which rights under the plan will separate from shares of the company's common stock and be distributed.

CONTACT: Jerome R. McDougal, Jr. of Apple Bancorp, (212) 573-8014.

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#90240p9306 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
BEAVER, PA. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael Baker Corp. (AMEX: BKR) has announced the establishment of a new subsidiary operation located in Frankfurt am Main, Germany, to be known as MICHAEL BAKER GmbH.

According to Baker executive vice president William G. Thomas, the new operation will serve Baker's interests in Europe for architectural,

engineering, planning, environmental and operations and maintenance services.

"We are experiencing a growing market in Europe for architectural/engineering work and the specialized services we provide," said Thomas. "Environmental analysis and facilities design are top priorities. With our prior experience in several European countries, we believe we are well qualified to provide our professional services throughout Europe."

Baker presently is the contractor for a major program of environmental management and asbestos abatement for the Department of Defense Dependents School system in 19 foreign countries, including Germany, the United Kingdom, Belgium, Spain and Italy. In addition, Baker recently completed an environmental audit for a private firm seeking acquisition of an industrial facility in Germany, provided facility evaluations and design recommendations at sites located throughout Europe for a U.S. government agency, and soon will begin a new asbestos management contract for facilities in Germany and Italy.

The new Frankfurt office will be managed by Richard D. Cunningham, who previously served as a marketing manager for Baker in its Alexandria, Va., office. Cunningham has 20 years of experience in the architectural/engineering fields, including work in Europe, the Middle East and Latin America.

Michael Baker Corp., through its various subsidiaries, provides professional services in the fields of facilities management and design, environmental management, transportation, civil and water resources, geo-digital services and operation and maintenance services, worldwide.

CONTACT: Robert A. Smith of Michael Baker Corp., 412-495-7711

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#90240p9309 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron Corp. today announced a new policy for employees who serve in the Military Reserve and National Guard and are called-up for active duty.

Under the policy, Chevron will make up the difference, if any, between an employee's benefits-bearing pay with Chevron at the time the leave begins and their military pay and allowances while on active-duty status.

"We have changed our policy to help Chevron employees who have been called up to support U.S. military operations in the Middle East under the president's order," said Ken Derr, chairman and chief executive officer.

"We will grant the leave for a six-month period to be consistent with the order, which authorizes an initial 90-day call-up and a possible 90-day extension. We will consider extending leaves as circumstances may dictate," he said.

Employees and their dependents may continue participating in most benefits plans in which they are enrolled at the time leave is granted, and company contributions will be continued.

Federal regulations do not require employers to continue either benefits or pay while an employee is on military leave. Although the company has done so for up to 17 days each for employees who are on "Training Duty Reservist" status, no such provisions have existed for employees who go on active duty with the military.

Preliminary estimates indicate that approximately 200 employees are members of Reserve/Guard units. Nearly half of these have been alerted for possible call-up or have been called up.

The provisions of the temporary emergency leave policy apply only to regular, full-time employees in the Military Reserve or National Guard who have been called up under the president's order. The provisions are not applicable to employees represented by unions until discussed with their bargaining agents.

CONTACT: Bonnie Chaikind of Chevron Corp., (415) 894-1200.

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#90240p9310 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Midway Airlines (NYSE: MDW) today named four of its executive-level vice presidents to senior vice president, according to David R. Hinson, chairman and chief executive officer.

Alfred S. Altschul, 50, has been named senior vice president of finance and chief financial officer. David B. Armstrong, 50, has been named senior vice president of corporate affairs, general counsel and secretary. Altschul and Armstrong report to Hinson.

John P. Tague, 28, has been promoted to senior vice president of marketing and planning. Lois A. Gallo, 41, has been promoted to senior vice president of customer services. Tague and Gallo will report to Thomas E. Schick, president and chief operating officer.

Midway Airlines offers coast-to-coast service from its hubs at Chicago's close-in Midway Airport and Philadelphia International Airport. Midway Airlines and its wholly owned subsidiary, the Midway Commuter, serve 59 destinations in the United States, Canada, U.S. Virgin Islands and the

Bahamas.

CONTACT: Sandra Allen of Midway Airlines, 312-838-4813

-30- 1260

#90240p9317 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE SUCCESS, NY (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Tambrands Inc. (NYSE: TMB) reported that at the meeting of its board of directors today, a regular quarterly dividend of 54 cents per share was declared, payable on Sept. 15 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 7, 1990.

Tambrands is a multinational manufacturer and marketer of personal care products, including Tampax(R) tampons and Maxithins(R) sanitary pads.

CONTACT: Paul E. Konney, senior vice president of Tambrands Inc., 516-358-8774.

-30- 652

#90240p9321 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Alcoa (NYSE: AA) and Akzo, the Dutch-based chemical company, have signed a memorandum of understanding to cooperate in the production and marketing of fiber-metal laminates for the aerospace industry, it was announced.

Fiber-metal laminates are composed of alternating layers of metal sheets and high-strength, fiber-reinforced resins. The laminates are stronger and lighter than traditional alloys used in aircraft construction.

The fiber-metal laminates concept was developed in the Netherlands in the late 1970s by the Delft University of Technology in cooperation with Akzo, Alcoa and Fokker Aircraft B. V.

Under the memorandum of understanding, Akzo will contribute its knowledge in advanced fibers, and Alcoa will contribute its expertise in aluminum aerospace applications.

CONTACT: A.T. Posti of Alcoa, 412-553-4465

-30- 1032

#90240p9322 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Henry J. "Hank" Todd has been named vice president-general manager, product support division of McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co.

Todd brings to the position a product-oriented technical and management

background. Prominent in his 32 years of experience are various engineering design and management positions and program field support at Kwajalein Missile Range in the South Pacific.

He served as deputy program manager for the development of McDonnell Douglas' Mast Mounted Sight -- an electronic "eye" used by the U. S. Army atop its OH-580 Scout Helicopter, then general manager of operations at Monrovia, Calif., during the sight's production phase.

He also served as vice president of product assurance and logistic support. Most recently he was vice president-general manager, quality systems division at McDonnell Douglas Space Systems.

Todd graduated from Auburn University in Alabama with a bachelor's degree in electronics.

CONTACT: Sheila Carter or Anne McCauley of McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co., 714-896-1302

-30- 1283

#90240p9324 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of National Computer Systems, Inc. (NCS) (NASDAQ: NLCS) declared a quarterly cash dividend of 7 cents per share payable Sept. 18, 1990, to stockholders of record Sept. 7, 1990.

NCS stock is traded on the over-the-counter market and is listed on the NASDAQ National List under the symbol "NLCS." The company has approximately 15.9 million shares outstanding.

National Computer Systems provides information systems and services to education, commercial and financial markets. The company is headquartered in Minneapolis.

CONTACT: Adrienne Tietz of National Computer Systems, 612-829-3033

-30- 839

#90240p9325 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Farr Company (NASDAQ: FARC) announced today that it may purchase from time to time on the open market, or through negotiated purchases, up to 300,000 shares of the company's common stock.

The shares acquired will be held either as treasury shares or will be allocated to the company's ESOP plans as determined by the board of directors. The funds required for the stock purchases will be provided

through bank borrowings. No time limit was set for the completion of the program. There are currently 2,846,402 shares of common stock outstanding.

Farr Company is a leading producer of filters for particulate, liquid and gaseous filtration systems. The company has nine manufacturing facilities in the United States as well as plants in Canada and England.

CONTACT: John Foley of The Foristall Company, 213-626-4524, for Farr Company

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#90240p9326 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Century Park Pictures Corporation (NASDAQ: CPPC) a developer, producer and marketer of motion picture, television and pay cable entertainment properties and family entertainment shows, said today earnings rose to $240,739, or $.09 per share, for the fiscal third period ended June 30, 1990. This compares to a loss of $127,719, or $.06 per share, for the comparable period a year ago. Revenues for the third quarter rose 97 percent to $1,126,242, compared to revenues of $571,292 a year ago.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, the company lost $113,363, or $.04 per share, compared to a loss of $297,991, or $.13 per share, for the comparable nine months a year ago.

Phil Rogers, president of century park pictures, said he was pleased with the company's excellent third quarter results. He attributed the sales and earnings growth to increased revenues generated from the rights acquired by Century Park's 50.1 percent owned subsidiary, Bietak Production, to create live costumed characters of Fox broadcasting's hit prime time animated cartoon show, "The Simpsons".

Bietak markets and produces six full-time units of the Simpsons characters in special appearances at theaters, theme parks, shopping centers and fairs nationwide.

"The demand for the Simpsons characters continues to be phenomenal," said Rogers, "resulting in substantial revenues and profits for Century Park Pictures as well as Bietak." He said Century Park revenues and earnings continued to grow strongly in the first month of the fourth quarter. For the month ended July 31, 1990, Century Park earned $82,506, or $.03 per share, on revenues of $474,870.

"The Simpsons" were first seen during vignette appearances on Fox Broadcasting's "Tracy Ullman Show" last year. In mid-January, 1990, "The Simpsons" were launched on a separate half hour prime time series -- the

first such animated prime time program in nearly two decades.

Since that time, the show has emerged as a breakaway ratings success, catapulting into the Nielson Ratings Top 15 -- generally considered by industry experts to be an exceptional performance considering the fact that the Fox network reaches only four-fifths of the homes in the country.

Bietak, which has produced a wide array of television and theatrical productions, formerly created live shows based on animated characters of The California Raisins and Nintendo's Mario Brothers.

Century Park Pictures is a developer, producer and marketer of entertainment properties for the motion picture, television and pay cable industries. The company is a 65.2 percent owned subsidiary of Minneapolis-based International Broadcasting Corporation, owner of the Harlem Globetrotters, the Ice Capades, three regional amusement parks, the Ice Capades Chalets skating centers and Chanhassen Dinner Theatres.

CONTACT: Thomas K. Scallen of
Century Park Pictures, 612-333-5100, or Joseph L. Murphy of J.L. Murphy & Associates, 212-967-7938, for Century Park Pictures

-30- 3249
#90240p9327 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORFOLK, VA. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal government has formally charged Farm Fresh with interfering with its employees' rights to engage in union activities.

In a complaint signed by the director of National Labor Relations Board Region 5, the company has been summoned to a hearing to answer to the charge of "interfering with, restraining and coercing employees in the exercise of ... rights" that are guaranteed under the National Labor Relations Act.

The charges stem from a series of incidents in which company officials demanded the arrest of union organizers who were participating in lawful activities in or near Farm Fresh or Food Carnival stores.

Tom McNutt, president of United Food and Commercial Workers Local 400, which has been conducting a major organizing drive at Farm Fresh, praised the government's action and said it "sends a clear signal to the company: you're not above the law. You're not running a plantation."

"Farm Fresh has been doing everything in its power to prevent its employees from hearing our message, that working people can get fair pay and decent treatment on the job through unionization," McNutt said. "Working people still have some basic rights in this country," he said,

"and no employer has the authority to deny those rights."

Farm Fresh's continuing, heavy-handed reaction to the presence of union organizers in the Tidewater area, and the warm reception they're receiving from the supermarket chain's workforce, "is panicking the company," McNutt said. "They're looking to the police to help them stay non-union. The way to stay non-union is to treat your people fairly, and Farm Fresh has proven itself incapable of that," he said.

CONTACT: Tom McNutt, president of United Food and Commercial Workers Local 400, 804-623-9444 or 301-459-3400

-30- 2023

#90240p9330 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIF. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Bonnie W. Soodik has been appointed vice president-general manager, quality systems division for McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co.

Soodik began her career at McDonnell Douglas Automation Co. in 1977. Over the next eight years she advanced to senior manager of productivity services. She then moved to Douglas Aircraft Co. in 1987 to assume the responsibilities of program manager for information resource management.

She later advanced to general manager of business management systems, processes and procedures before joining McDonnell Douglas Space Systems as vice president, deputy general manager of quality systems and procedures.

Soodik graduated from George Washington University, Washington, D.C., with a bachelor's degree in psychology and from California State University with a master's degree in business administration.

CONTACT: Sheila Carter or Anne McCauley of McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co., 714-896-1302

-30- 1181

#90240p9337 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Fluor Daniel announced today that it has been awarded a contract by San Antonio-based Valero Refining Co., a subsidiary of Valero Energy Co. (NYSE: VLO). Fluor Daniel's contract value is in excess of $200 million.

Fluor Daniel's Hydrocarbon Sector will provide engineering, procurement and construction services for a 20,000-barrel-per-day hydrotreater, 27,000-barrel-per-day continuous catalytic reformer and a 25,000-barrel-per-day hydrocracker at Valero's existing refinery in Corpus Christi, Texas.

The scope of work will upgrade the refinery's product mix by turning much of the current intermediate products, such as gas oils and naphtha, into higher value products.

Engineering is under way in Fluor Daniel's Houston offices with project completion scheduled for early 1992.

Fluor Daniel Inc., Fluor Corp.'s (NYSE: FLR) principal subsidiary, is an international engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services company with more than 50 offices around the world.

CONTACT: Deborah Land (media), 714-975-3971, or Lila Churney (investors), 714-975-3909, both for Fluor Corp.

-30- 1317

#90240p9338 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Gannett Co., Inc. (NYSE: GCI), today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share of common stock, payable on Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990.

The directors met in regular session in New York today.

Gannett is a nationwide news and information company that publishes 83 daily newspapers, including USA Today, and USA Weekend, a newspaper magazine. It also operates 10 television stations, 15 radio stations, and the largest outdoor advertising company in North America.

CONTACT: Mimi Feller, 703-284-6046, or home, 212-363-4335, or Sheila Gibbons, 703-284-6048, or home, 301-445-3231, both of Gannett

-30- 881

#90240p9340 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Fluor Daniel announced today that it has been awarded a contract by Chilean-based Los Pelambres Copper. The project is estimated at $50 million.

Fluor Daniel's Hydrocarbon Sector will provide engineering, procurement, construction management and technical assistance for a copper ore and molybdenum processing facility to be located 200 miles north of Santiago, Chile. Processing 4,500-tons-per-day of ore from the Los Pelambres mine, the plant will product 21,000-tons-per-year of fine copper and 220-tons-per-year of molybdenum.

Engineering is under way in Fluor Daniel's Santiago, Chile, offices with

project completion scheduled for late 1991. Chilean manpower will be used for the project.

Chile produces 25 percent of the world's copper. Molybdenum, a sub-product of Chilean copper, is a basic metal component used in producing high quality steel.

Fluor Daniel Inc., Fluor Corporations's (NYSE: FLR) principal subsidiary, is an international engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services company with more than 50 offices around the world.

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-30- 1421

#90240p9341 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Contel Corp. (NYSE: CTC) today announced that its Contel of California subsidiary has been awarded a contract worth up to $93 million over ten years to provide the Naval Weapons Center in China Lake, Calif., with a state-of-the-art voice and data telecommunications system.

Contel of California, through Contel Advanced Systems Inc., will engineer, furnish and install the telecommunications system, which will include Integrated Services Digital Network (IDSN).

The initial length of the contract is 78 months, including an 18-month implementation period valued at more than $30 million, and five years of operation and maintenance.

Contel, a company with more than $3 billion in annual revenues, provides a broad range of telecommunications products and services.

CONTACT: Mary Burritt, 404-391-8025, or Martha Borgerding, (619) 245-0305, both of Contel.

-30- 1082

#90240p9343 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Ford Motor Company Fund has awarded $1.25 million to The Ohio State University to establish the Ford Motor Company Chair in Electromechanical Systems in the College of Engineering.

The holder of the Ford Chair will provide leadership in the emerging field of electromechanics, a blend of the traditional disciplines of electrical and mechanical engineering. Electromechanical systems are used in the

automotive industry to control engine performance, ride and handling characteristics, diagnostics, environmental monitoring devices, and maintenance warning systems.

"Ohio State's College of Engineering is experienced in forging interdisciplinary teams in emerging technological fields," said Donald D. Glower, acting vice president for communications and development and dean of the College of Engineering. "The research and leadership generated by a chair in electromechanical systems will contribute greatly to the continued success of the American automotive industry."

The College of Engineering's strengths in its electrical and mechanical engineering departments include nationally known faculty, and more than $14 million in endowed funds for transportation research, the largest university endowment devoted to this type of research in the country, Glower added.

"The Ford Motor Company Chair at The Ohio State University will serve as a marvelous model of how major corporations and universities can forge partnerships that are mutually beneficial," said university President Edward H. Jennings.

"We are honored that a major corporation such as the Ford Motor Company recognizes Ohio State's unique resources and is willing to invest in building academic excellence both in teaching and research," Jennings said. "Corporate support of this magnitude is critical to universities charged with developing the human and intellectual resources required of the automotive industry and all of our society during the coming decades."

Currently, Ford Motor Company employs approximately 400 Ohio State University graduates in all divisions of its national and international operations.

"Ford Motor Company is delighted to be associated with The Ohio State University in this important endeavor," said Robert L. Rewey, vice president-Ford North American Sales Operations. "The University is widely known for its expertise in electromechanical systems engineering and it is the site of significant research in the field," he said.

Ford's gift is a major addition to the five-year Ohio State University Campaign, which concluded June 30, and raised more than $450 million in private funds for University projects and programs.

CONTACT: Dale DiSanto, director of Corporate/Foundation Relations, 614-292-3058, or Bill Carroll, Ford NAAO Public Affairs, 313-322-1300, or Carolyn Burke, Ford Motor Company, 313-594-3080

-30- 3114
#90240p9344 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
BELLOWS FALLS, VT (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Imtec, Inc. (NASDAQ: IMTC) announced its operating results for the fourth quarter and 12 months of fiscal 1990 ending June 30, 1990.

For the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, Imtec's sales were $7,144,144, up 31 percent from last year's 12 month's sales of $5,441,205. Net income for the period was $470,916, or 36 cents per share, compared to a net income of $360,163, or 31 cents per share for the same period at this time last year.

Fourth quarter sales were $1,822,629, down one percent from last year's sales of $1,857,652 for the same period. Net income was approximately $81,529, or six cents per share, compared to about $101,140 or eight cents per share for the same three months, one year ago.

On Dec. 18, Imtec announced an 80 percent expansion of its manufacturing facilities. On March 8, Imtec announced the purchase of operating assets and a manufacturing license of hot stamp printing equipment from Nevis Imaging Systems.

Imtec develops and manufactures bar-code label printing equipment which it sells to manufacturing firms as part of bar code data collection systems.

CONTACT: Patricia Peschl of Imtec, (802) 463-9502.

-30- 1360
#90240p9347 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
WESTBOROUGH, MASS. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - New England Electric System (NYSE: NES) (NEES) directors today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 51 cents per common share, payable Oct. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: Robert H. McLaren of New England Electric System, 508-366-9011 (days) or 508-842-0143 (evenings)

-30- 522
#90240p9350 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - H.J. Heinz Co. (NYSE: HNZ) announced today the redemption of $9,975,000 principal amount of 11.8 percent Industrial Revenue Bonds, 1982 Series B (H.J. Heinz Company Tuna Vessel Project) Due April 1, 1992, issued by the Puerto Rico Industrial, Medical and Environmental Pollution Control Facilities Financing Authority and guaranteed by H.J. Heinz Co.

The total principal amount of bonds outstanding is $34,000,000. The bonds will be redeemed on the next interest payment date, Oct. 1, 1990, at par. Accrued interest on the bonds to be redeemed will also be paid on Oct. 1, 1990, in the normal course.

The specific bonds, or portion of bonds, to be redeemed will be selected by lot by the trustee, Mellon Bank, N.A. Notice to the bondholders will be sent by Mellon Bank on approximately Aug. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: L. Michael Kelly, Jr., (412) 456-3840, or John E. Kennedy, (412) 456-3586, both of Ketchum Public Relations; or D. Edward I. Smyth, (412) 456-5780, or Debora S. Foster, (412) 456-5778.

-30- 1225

#90240p9361 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - ANR Pipeline Co., a subsidiary of The Coastal Corp. (NYSE: CGP), has called for redemption on Sept. 30, 1990, 200,000 shares of its cumulative preferred stock $2.675 series under sinking fund provisions for the series. There are one million shares of the series currently outstanding.

Shares to be redeemed have been selected by lot and holders of the affected shares are being notified by mail.

The $25 redemption price plus unpaid accrued dividends to Sept. 30, 1990, of $0.21549 per share will be paid upon surrender of the designated certificates to ANR Pipeline Co., Attention: Shareholder Relations, Nine Greenway Plaza, Houston, Texas 77046.

ANR Pipeline Co. is a subsidiary of The Coastal Corp., a Houston-based energy holding company. Coastal has consolidated assets of $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal and chemicals and independent power production.

CONTACT: Barbara Johnson of The Coastal Corp., 713-877-3293

-30- 1239

#90240p9366 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Recognizing that business travelers overseas often have access only to day-old news and information from home, Air Canada is now distributing a four-page summary of same-day news from a leading North American publication to passengers returning on selected weekday flights from Europe and Asia.

The news summary is being distributed to the airline's Executive and First

Class passengers through a special arrangement between Air Canada and the Toronto-based Globe and Mail, a national newspaper. A four-page summary of the next day's newspaper is prepared in the evening, faxed to Air Canada foreign stations, then photocopied and distributed to passengers bound for Canada and the United States.

"Air Canada is the first major airline to offer this service to its international passengers," said James R. Gould, the airline's general manager, western U.S. "If customer reaction is positive, this feature, now on a trial basis, will become a regular part of our service on all flights inbound from Europe and Asia."

This new feature does not replace newspapers distributed on board aircraft but provides a precis of the very latest news. "The news summary is part of Air Canada's effort to enhance its customer service and offer more value to passengers," Gould concluded.

CONTACT: Dick Griffith of Richard C. Griffith & Associates, Inc., 312-263-6481, for Air Canada

-30- 1618

#90240p9371 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OHIO (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - As a service to its customers, the NEXIS(R) service now has a special file with information on the Iraq-Kuwait situation.

The file, called IRAQWR, is updated every 24 hours and will remain in effect throughout the Middle East crisis.

Documents relevant to Iraq and the current tensions in the Mideast are culled from 22 publications and information sources such as The Washington Post, the BBC Summary of World Broadcasts and TASS. A search in IRAQWR costs $21.

"Many of our customers have business interests in the Mideast and need a one-stop source for the latest information," said Joseph C. Rhyne, vice president and general manager of business information services for Mead Data Central, Inc. "Our file gives immediate access to the articles they need."

NEXIS is an electronic information service offering full-text articles from the world's leading news and business sources including The New York Times and The Times of London. Mead Data Central, Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Mead Corporation (NYSE: MEA), a leader in forest products. Both companies are headquartered in Dayton.

CONTACT: Michelle B. Love, 513-865-7466, or Christopher Gower,

61-2-223-3600, both for Mead Data Central

-30- 1449
#90240p9376 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines today announced it has selected Houston for the home of its new aircraft maintenance center, creating up to 4,000 more jobs, a $150 million annual payroll for the local economy and a total positive annual economic impact in excess of $600 million.

The facility will be the nation's first totally new main base maintenance facility built by a major airline "from the ground up" in nearly 40 years.

"Our commitment to this project will help strengthen the economic foundation of Houston and the state of Texas, while continuing Continental's program of growth for the decades to come," said Continental Chairman Frank Lorenzo.

"Houston went the extra step and offered us a unique package that will allow us to consolidate our Houston offices and establish a world headquarters at the airport," said Lorenzo. "The scope of Houston's proposal was a key factor in what was a very competitive selection process. And, of course, we are familiar with the quality of life in our own hometown.

"This was an exhaustive process that involved many cities around the country. Our thanks go to those cities for their superb proposals and presentations that made this a tough decision. Each city can be proud of the efforts they put forth.

"While the decision has been made on the maintenance center," Lorenzo said "the competition for the engine overhaul facility continues."

The new facility will be built on an expedited basis because of Continental's upcoming major new equipment acquisitions, plus the fact that existing maintenance facilities in Denver will close in conjunction with the opening of the new airport there.

"We have every confidence that under the leadership of Mayor Whitmire and Director of Aviation Paul Gaines that this construction time schedule will be met," Lorenzo said.

Joining Lorenzo for the announcement were Houston Mayor Kathy Whitmire, U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm, U.S. Rep. Jack Fields, Harris County Judge Jon Lindsay, Houston Director of Aviation Paul Gaines and the Greater Houston Partnership's Jim Kollaer and John Brock.

In addition to Lorenzo, Continental's new incoming Chief Executive Officer Hollis Harris and Continental President Mickey Foret joined to make the announcement.

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In addition Continental and the Houston business community under the auspices of the Greater Houston Partnership have agreed to an arrangement whereby they would provide a public/private venture to finance an office structure.

The facility would consolidate numerous Continental offices around the city. The headquarters, set in a campus environment, will house over 4,000 employees. The exact site has yet to be determined.

CONTACT: Corporate Communications, Continental Airlines, 713-834-5080

-30- 3052

#90240p9379 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - A combination of hot weather and plant outages could lead to energy restrictions today and tomorrow, according to Baltimore Gas & Electric (NYSE: BGE) officials.

If current forecasts prove accurate, BG&E customers could expect implementation of demand-side management programs such as Energy Manager, and possibly a 5 percent voltage reduction.

The voltage reduction will serve to reduce electric usage with virtually no effect on the average residential customer. A black border around a television screen, representing a slight shrinking of the size of the picture, frequently is the only noticeable result.

In light of this forecast, BG&E is advising industrial and commercial customers to take appropriate action. This may include "backing-up" computer programs and data, testing generators and alternate energy sources to make sure they are in working order and consideration for rescheduling any on-line processes that may be impacted by an outage.

Included in the demand-side management programs are industrial and commercial customers who have agreed to curtail a portion of their energy use.

Throughout this current hot spell, BG&E has been asking all customers to conserve as much electricity as possible. Some steps residential customers can take include:

-- curtail air conditioning usage by setting thermostats as high as personal comfort permits. As a guideline, BG&E suggests setting central

air-conditioning and heat pump thermostats no lower than 80 degrees. Window units should be set somewhat higher than the normal setting. These steps will not only lower demand, but will lower customers' bills.

-- If you are going to be out of the house for more than four hours, turn your air conditioner off.

-- Postpone some household chores such as washing and drying clothes or running dishwashers until after 8 p.m. when electric demand subsides.

BG&E will continue to monitor the situation and asked residents to stay tuned to their radio or television for more information. The company thanked all its customers for their patience and cooperation.

CONTACT: Charles J. Franklin Jr. of Baltimore Gas and Electric, 301-234-7433

-30- 2395

#90240p9381 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHERRY HILL, NJ (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - SAI Group Inc. (OTC) has released earnings for the second quarter of 1990.

The company previously announced that its board of directors had accepted an offer from Proteq Verzekeringen Beheer N.V., a Dutch insurance company, to acquire all of the outstanding shares of the company for $.0625 (6-1/4 cents) per share.

SAI GROUP INC.

Periods ended	Three months		Six months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$990,000	$1,140,000	$2,161,000	$2,220,000
Net loss	(230,000)	(722,000)	(715,000)	(1,347,000)
Shares outstanding	15,485,465	15,272,190	15,485,465	15,272,190
Net loss per share	$(.02)	$(.05)	$(.05)	$(.09)

Three Months Ended June 30, 1990 vs. June 30, 1989 Revenues Revenues in the current quarter were $150,000 (13.2 percent) lower than the comparable period of 1989. The decline in revenues resulted from lapsation of previously written business and a reduction in the size and number of marketing campaigns.

Net loss A net loss of $230,000 ($.02 per share) in the current period compares to a loss of $722,000 ($.05 per share) in the similar period last year. The loss in both periods resulted from the cost of operating the "50-Forward Club," a venture initiated by the company in early 1989.

Six Months Ended June 30, 1990 vs. June 30, 1989 Revenues Total revenues of $2,161,000 during the first half of 1990 were $59,000 lower than last year. Commissions from direct marketing activities declined by $198,000. This decrease was partially offset by growth in insurance premiums, 50-Forward Club revenues and investment income.

While revenues from the 50-Forward Club have increased over last year, they have not grown to the level which would fund the club's operating cost.

A loss of $715,000 ($.05 per share) was incurred during the first half of 1990 as compared to a loss of $1,347,000 ($.09 per share) in the first half of 1989. The dominant factor contributing to the loss in both operating periods was the cost of operating the 50-Forward Club.

CONTACT: Jerry R. Kane, vice president and treasurer of SAI Group, 609-665-8833

-30- 2461

#90240p9385 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Comerica Incorporated (OTC: CMCA) today declared a quarterly dividend of 65 cents per share on common stock. The dividend will be payable Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 15, 1990.

The dividend was announced by Eugene A. Miller, chairman, president and chief executive officer.

CONTACT: David O. Taylor of Comerica, 313-222-3384

-30- 572

#90240p9388 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, CO (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Roadmaster Industries Inc. ("RMI") (NASDAQ: WHEL) announced today that one of its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Roadmaster Corp., plans to effect open market purchases of its common stock from time to time for contribution to the Roadmaster Corp. Employees' Stock Ownership Plan and Trust ("ESOP"). The company anticipates that the 1990 contribution would be in the $300,000 range. The Roadmaster Corp. ESOP was effective Jan. 1, 1990 and is designed to provide deferred compensation for employee retirement through ownership of RMI common stock and replaces prior retirement plans for certain salaried employees.

Roadmaster Industries operates through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Roadmaster Corp. and Hamilton Lamp Corp. Roadmaster Corp. is a leading designer and manufacturer of junior wheel goods, bicycles and health

fitness equipment. Hamilton Lamp is a leading manufacturer of lamps and replacement shades.

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MOUNT KISCO, NY (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - TWA Getaway Vacations has just announced an unbeatable Hawaii sale. For the low price of just $639 per person, double occupancy, vacationers will receive roundtrip air from St. Louis or 34 other Midwest cities, plus seven nights in a Waikiki hotel, roundtrip airport transfers, a fresh flower lei greeting and more. The price from New York and most East Coast gateway cities is just $659 per person.

As an added bonus, Getaway also includes a free Fun-in-the Sun morning cruise along the Waikiki coastline for travelers to Oahu booked from now through Nov. 20. The cruise departs Diamond Head and sails along Waikiki Beach, with continental breakfast and champagne served on board. Passengers have a choice of an 8 or 9 a.m. sailing and are free to select the day of the cruise.

Betty Amato, director of Getaway Pacific, said, "The advantage of taking a Getaway package is that you get a vacation that includes hotel, roundtrip air and great Getaway bonus features for a price lower than the cost of roundtrip airfare alone." She added that the lead price of $639 per person is "a terrific value for travel this time of year."

This special rate is good for roundtrip midweek departures from Sept. 30 through Oct. 24. Hotel taxes, service charges and $12 U.S. departure tax is also included in the rate. All passengers traveling on a Getaway Hawaii package also receive 5,000 bonus miles for TWA's Frequent Flight Bonus Program and a Getaway Vacations flight bag.

For more information on all 1990 Getaway Vacations, call 800-GETAWAY.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert V. Royall Jr., a vice chairman of The Citizens and Southern Corp. (NYSE: CTZ) and head of the three-state C&S Community and Corporate Banking Group, today announced his retirement, effective Dec. 31.

Royall, 55, a former president and chief executive officer of C&S South

Carolina Corp., has also served as chairman of The C&S National Bank of South Carolina since 1987.

Royall joined C&S in 1960 as a management trainee in Charleston. He quickly rose through the ranks of the organization to become one of its most important executives in South Carolina during the past two decades. By 1970, he was promoted to executive vice president and moved to Columbia assuming responsibility for retail banking and marketing activities and the entire line operation in the state.

In 1974, Royall was promoted to president of The C&S National Bank of South Carolina. In 1984, he became president of The Citizens and Southern Corp., then a holding company for the C&S Banks in South Carolina. In 1986, he became chief executive officer of The C&S National Bank of South Carolina and C&S South Carolina Corp. and was named chairman of the board of The C&S National Bank of South Carolina in 1987.

Royall's leadership in the banking industry was recognized when he was named chairman of the Governor's Task Force on Interstate Banking during the mid-1980s. The task force recommended legislation that helped South Carolina accommodate interstate banking beginning in 1986.

Royall, a native of Mount Pleasant, S.C., holds a bachelor's degree from the University of South Carolina and is a graduate of the Stonier Graduate School of Banking and the Advanced Management Program at Harvard University's Graduate School of Business Administration. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1956-1959.

Royall said he plans to remain active in civic and business affairs in South Carolina. He and his wife, Greg, have three daughters and three grandsons and plan to continue to reside in Columbia where he will remain active in civic and public affairs.

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) is investing $8.9 million to upgrade sections of five lines in eastern and central Pennsylvania.

The work, which began in June and is scheduled to be completed this fall, includes the installation of 61,000 crossties and the surfacing (raising and smoothing) of more than 200 miles of supporting railbed.

The project, part of Conrail's capital program for 1990, is being conducted along sections of the following lines:

-- The Reading Line, between Allentown and Reading.
-- The Harrisburg Line, between Harrisburg and Philadelphia.
-- The Lurgan Branch, between Harrisburg and Lurgan.
-- The Enola Branch, between Enola and Columbia.
-- The Royalton Branch, which links Harrisburg with the Enola Branch.

In addition to being used by Conrail's high-priority, high-speed intermodal trains, which carry a wide variety of consumer goods, these lines are used by general merchandise freight trains carrying such commodities as automobiles and auto parts, coal, grain, iron ore, steel, and other miscellaneous freight.

"Conrail's capital program enables us to provide safe, reliable and customer-responsive service," said James A. Hagen, Conrail's chairman, president and chief executive officer. "Projects such as this will provide a sound track structure essential to Conrail's ability to compete in the transportation marketplace."

CONTACT: Robert L. Libkind or Patricia Linskey of Conrail, 215-977-4594

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TWINSBURG, OHIO (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Revco D.S., Inc. today announced that the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Akron, Ohio has extended until Oct. 26, 1990, the exclusive period within which only Revco can file a plan of reorganization. The court also extended until Jan. 24, 1991, the period in which Revco has exclusive right to gain acceptances for the plan it files.

The extension had the support of all parties to Revco's bankruptcy. Revco, one of the nation's foremost drugstore chains, is a privately held company based in Twinsburg, Ohio.

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#90240p9400 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Fingerhut Companies, Inc. (NYSE: FHT) announced that it is expanding its operations and will build an automated distribution center near Bristol, Tenn. The one million- square-foot facility, which will serve the eastern region of the United States, is scheduled to open in fall 1991.

"Our goal is to reduce operational costs while improving delivery times for the customer and enhancing profitability for the company," said Ted Deikel, Fingerhut chairman and CEO.

The facility will be fully automated with state-of-the-art picking, packing, sorting and scanning capabilities. Designed to handle 45 percent of the company's shipping and all of Fingerhut's growing apparel business, the facility is expandable to 1.5 million square feet. It will initially employ approximately 400 people with additional seasonal employment of 80-100 employees.

The distribution center will be located in Sullivan County in eastern Tennessee in the Tri-County Industrial Park. Construction is expected to begin in September, subject to financing.

"We could not have reached agreement so quickly without the leadership and involvement of Sen. Jim Sasser and Gov. Ned McWherter," said Deikel. "The local Economic Development Committee and the Sullivan County Industrial Commission have been extremely cooperative in working with us to complete the negotiations so that we could proceed quickly with our plans. They have a great pro-business attitude and they worked very hard to get us to locate there."

"I'm extremely pleased that Fingerhut has chosen to locate in Tennessee. This is welcome news for the Northeast region," said Sen. Sasser.

Fingerhut has retained The Keewaydin Group to provide facilities planning and construction management for the project.

In 1989 Fingerhut build a new 608,000-square-foot fully automated distribution center which, added to existing facilities, brings the total in St. Cloud, Minn. to 1.2MM square feet. With the new eastern facility, the company's warehouse and shipping facilities will total more than 2.2 million square feet.

Fingerhut is the fourth largest direct mail marketer of consumer products in the United States. The company markets general merchandise and specialty food gifts through catalogs and direct mail to its list of approximately nine million active customers. The company employs approximately 6,000 people in seven locations in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

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#90240p9402 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Powell Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: POWL) today reported record third quarter earnings. For the fiscal quarter

ending July 31, 1990, earnings were $2,141,000 or 21 cents per share compared to $836,000 or $.08 per share from continuing operations for the third quarter of 1989, an increase of $1,305,000 (156 percent). Earnings for the nine months ended July 31, 1990 were $4,753,000 or $.46 per share compared to $2,008,000 or 20 cents per share from continuing operations for the same period in 1989, an increase of $2,745,000 (137 percent).

Revenues from continuing operations for the third quarter were $31,847,000 an increase of $8,577,000 (37 percent) from $23,270,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Revenues from continuing operations for the first nine months of 1990 were $95,696,000 vs. $62,151,000 for the same period in 1989, an increase of $33,545,000 (54 percent).

The order backlog at July 31, 1990 was $74.7 million vs. $74.0 million at July 31, 1989.

"We anticipate continued improvement in all areas of our operations in our fourth quarter and believe our fiscal 1990, as a whole, will reflect the record quarterly performance we have achieved to date" stated Thomas W. Powell, chairman, president & CEO.

Powell Industries Inc. designs, manufactures and packages electrical generation, control and distribution equipment.

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#90240p9403 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEVERLY HILLS, CA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Johnny Depp has signed a first look multi-picture development deal with Twentieth Century Fox projects which he will star in and produce, it was announced today (Aug. 28) by Roger Birnbaum, president, World-Wide Production, Twentieth Century Fox.

Birnbaum, commented: "After starring in a hit series for Fox Television and in 'Edward Scissorhands,' a film we're over the moon about, Johnny Depp is officially joining Fox's creative family. He is a dedicated young actor who has accomplished a great deal in a short time, and we're thrilled at the prospect of making more movies with him."

Depp's film and television credits include "A Nightmare on Elm Street," the academy award-winning "Platoon," "Slow Burn," John Waters' ultimate juvenile delinquent love story, "Cry Baby," and Fox Television's "21 Jump Street." Depp will next star in the title role of Tim Burton's "Edward Scissorhands," a modern-day fable from Twentieth Century Fox, co-starring Winona Ryder, Dianne Wiest, Anthony Michael Hall, Kathy Baker, Vincent Price as the inventor and Alan Arkin.

Twentieth Century Fox is primarily engaged in the financing, development, production, distribution and marketing of motion pictures throughout the world and is a unit of Fox Inc.

CONTACT: Terry Clifford of Twentieth Century Fox, 213-203-2497

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#90240p9404 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today named James P. Holden to the position of General Manager - Chrysler-Plymouth Division. His appointment is effective immediately.

Holden will be responsible for all marketing plans, advertising and merchandising activities for the Chrysler-Plymouth Division. He reports to Vice President - Marketing John B. Damoose.

Holden had been Director - Sales Operations Planning. He joined Chrysler Corporation in 1981 as New Business Planning Manager - Truck Operations and has held a number of positions in marketing, advertising and zone operations.

Prior to joining Chrysler, Holden worked for Ford Motor Company. Holden holds a bachelor of science degree from Western Michigan University and a master of business administration degree from Michigan State University.

CONTACT: Chris Hosford of Chrysler, 313-956-5344.

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#90240p9405 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Lord & Taylor today announced a reorganization of public relations and the Fashion Office with both departments reporting to LaVelle Olexa, senior vice president of fashion merchandising. Olexa reports directly to Marshall Hilsberg, chairman and chief executive officer of Lord & Taylor.

Effective with this new alignment are the following appointments, effective immediately:

D. J. Favale, formerly vice president, fashion director of ready-to- wear, will assume the new role of fashion director of women's apparel and accessories in addition to ready-to-wear. She will continue to report to LaVella Olexa.

Irenka Jakubiak, formerly fashion director of accessories and shoes, has been appointed divisional vice president of accessories and shoes, reporting to D. J. Favale.

Beverely Wilson, formerly director of special events, has been appointed divisional vice president of special events, reporting to LaVelle Olexa.

Jann Walker, formerly advertising coordinator, has been promoted to director of publicity, also reporting to Olexa.

CONTACT: Colette Beaudry of Lord & Taylor, 212-391-3639.

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DENVER (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Apache Corp. (NYSE: APA) and CNG Producing Co., a unit of Consolidated Natural Gas Co. (NYSE: CNG), today announced that Apache has agreed to purchase, for $23.5 million in cash, CNG Producing's oil properties in Nevada, Wyoming, North Dakota, and Montana.

The purchase includes 41 wells in seven fields, from which Consolidated produces an average 1,500 barrels of oil a day. Gross production from the properties for all partners averages 7,500 barrels a day. The purchase also includes some 100,000 net undeveloped acres in the Powder River Basin of Wyoming and in Railroad Valley, Nev. The transaction will be effective as of July 1, 1990.

Raymond Plank, chairman and chief executive officer of Apache, said, "This acquisition increases Apache's interests in Grant Canyon and Trap Springs, Nevada, where the company's most prolific wells have made us the largest producer in the state. It increases our exposure to the oil market, complements our active drilling program and adds to our confidence about growing our reserves again in 1990."

David P. Hunt, president of CNG Producing, said, "This sale is in line with CNG Producing's plans to focus exploration activities in the Gulf of Mexico, the Gulf Coast and the MidContinent area, where the bulk of our properties and drilling prospects are concentrated. In the same vein, we are seeking to sell our 21 percent interest in Amoco Corporation's heavy oil properties in Alberta, Canada."

Apache is an independent energy company engaged in exploration, development and production of natural gas and crude oil. The company's securities are traded on the New York and Midwest Stock Exchanges (symbol APA).

Pittsburgh-based Consolidated is one of the nation's largest producers, transporters and distributors of natural gas. The company explores for and produces gas and oil in the United States and Canada. Its primary marketing areas for natural gas are in Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia, New York, and other states in the Northeast.

CONTACT: Jeanne Buchanan of Apache Corp., (303) 837-5017; or Cynthia Piechowiak of Consolidated Natural Gas Co., (412) 227-1442.

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#90240p9408 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Gitano Group Inc. (NYSE: GIT), manufacturer of jeanswear, sportswear, intimate apparel and accessories for the entire family, is proud to announce the grand opening of its Manhattan flagship store, "Gitano & Co.," Tuesday, Aug. 28.

"Gitano & Co.," located in approximately 9,000 square feet of retail selling space, will feature an assortment of diversified product lines featuring sportswear and accessories for the entire family with average price points of $20 for tops and $25 for bottoms.

Located at 34th Street and Broadway, "Gitano & Co.'s" second floor location is quite unique. The space is sophisticated in design, with impressive visual accents such as a lit marble entrance, video monitors and upscale point-of-purchase displays. The store windows overlooking Herald Center are 14-1/2 feet tall and 7-1/2 feet wide, while the center "colonnade" stretches 90 feet long.

"We've tried to create a feeling of a small store within a large store," notes Bob Negron, president of Gitano Retail. "The location allows us to service the current 34th Street shoppers, while drawing other loyal Gitano customers to this, our first Manhattan store location. One of the reasons this store was developed was to use it as a testing ground to listen to our consumers' needs and rapidly respond to those needs."

Negron continued, "The customer's initial impression is the most important when making a purchase decision. 'Gitano & Co.' features selections from each Gitano division's collections with coordinating accessories completing the look. In this way, we've made the customer's decision-making easier by offering coordinated outfits and accessories that also encourage multiple purchase shopping."

Gitano's concept of head-to-toe dressing for the entire family prevails at "Gitano & Co." with women's apparel occupying 50 percent of the store, men's 25 percent, children's 15 percent and accessories completing the fashion statement at ten percent. Each department is separately merchandised though they all complement each other through color and theme.

During the initial weeks of the opening, "Gitano & Co." will be offering a special promotion to the customer who purchases $35 or more of Gitano merchandise to receive a "Gitano & Co." backpack, valued at $28.

Gitano operates 78 company-owned retail locations selling Gitano products

exclusively. The attached release offers detail regarding the opening of the new flagship store of this national chain, in Manhattan.

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#90240p9409 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Arco Products Company today unveiled SmogPros Express Test & Repair Centers, a program designed to help the driving public control air pollution and comply with California's Bureau of Automotive Repair (BAR) by checking, adjusting and repairing their automobile's emissions.

Arco's 112 MP&G Tune-up Centers throughout California will be converted to SmogPros by the end of this month. Arco's SmogPros will continue to feature a "Pass or Don't Pay" smog certification policy under which drivers whose vehicles do not pass the emission standards test are not charged for the first routine inspection.

SmogPros is part of Arco's ongoing commitment to environmental protection and is intended to complement other Arco environmental initiatives, such as EC-1, the nation's first low emission reformulated gasoline. SmogPros will also continue to offer diagnostic tune-ups, oil changes, brake and air conditioning service.

Approximately 3.9 million smog inspections were conducted in the first year (July 1984 to July 1985) of the California smog-check program. New regulations requiring smog tests for heavy duty trucks and recreational vehicles will dramatically increase the number of inspections required for 1990 to approximately 8.5 million, according to B.A.R. California drivers in non-attainment areas are all required to have their cars smog checked biannually.

"Among the changes drivers will see at SmogPros is state of the art automotive diagnostic equipment, and an entirely new name and signage within the Arco family of colors of blue and yellow," said Scott Stanworth Arco Products Company vice president for Retail Marketing. Arco's introduction of SmogPros will be supported by a $4 million advertising program developed by Kresser-Craig Advertising Company, Stanworth added.

Under the new State of California guidelines, called BAR 90, automotive technicians are required to pass a rigorous examination before being licensed to conduct smog checks.

Arco Products Company conducts a BAR 90 training course for technicians and franchisees at the Arco Training Center in El Monte, Calif. Currently, all

of the SmogPros Express Test and Repair Centers have qualified technicians under the new BAR 90 guidelines.

Arco Products Company is the refining and marketing division of Arco, headquartered in Los Angeles.

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#90240p9413 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

EUGENE, OR (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bohemia Inc. (NASDAQ: BOHM) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.05 per share. The dividend is payable Sept. 25, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 10, 1990.

Bohemia Inc., established in 1916, operates forest products manufacturing facilities in Oregon and California.

CONTACT: Steven A. Wendell of Bohemia Inc., 503-342-6262; or Melvyn S. Rifkind of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Bohemia Inc.

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#90240p9414 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CT (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc. (UCC&P) (NYSE: UK) has purchased the Polyphobe(R) line of acrylic-based associative thickeners from DeSoto, Inc. of Des Plaines, Ill. The purchase price was not disclosed.

Polyphobe products are acrylic emulsion polymers that simultaneously thicken and modify the flow characteristics of aqueous systems. They became commercially available in 1989 and have since found application in paints, adhesives and paper coatings. The line includes products that comply with FDA regulations as components of paper coatings in contact with food and for indirect food contact in adhesives.

In paper coating applications, Polyphobe thickeners have been shown to substantially increase line speeds in commercial operations. Other promising applications are seen in textiles, printing inks, personal care products, pharmaceuticals, oil field drilling muds and mining additives.

According to Fred Costello, president of UCC&P's Solvents and Coatings Materials Division, "the Polyphobe line is a natural complement to UCC&P's latex, Cellosize(R) hydroxyethyl cellulose thickener and UCAR SCT rheology modifier businesses. The addition of these products will make ours the most complete line of proprietary synthetic organic and cellulosic thickeners and rheology modifiers in the world."

Key DeSoto marketing and technical employees associated with the Polyphobe business will be integrated into the Solvents and Coatings Materials Division's UCAR Emulsion Systems (UES) group in Cary, N.C. Manufacturing will take place at existing UES facilities.

CONTACT: G. Greg Weingardt of Union Carbide, 203-794-2533.

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#90240p9415 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTSVILLE, SC (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - "We are restructuring several operations to improve Sonoco's cost and competitive positions and taking other actions that will allow us to better utilize our resources for future growth in the packaging industry," said R.C. King, Jr., president and chief operating officer of Sonoco Products Company (NASDAQ-NMS: SONO), in announcing several actions by the Hartsville-based international manufacturer of consumer and industrial packaging products.

The company will be restructuring several operations, which are expected to result in a one-time charge to third quarter earnings in the range of $50 to $55 million, or $1.14 to $1.25 per share after-tax.

When fully implemented the expected ongoing annual savings from the restructuring will amount to approximately $20 million pre-tax, or about $.28 per share after-tax. The cash impact of these actions is expected to be neutral due to the tax benefit of large non-cash write-offs. On-going cash flow generated by the moves will amount to about $10 million annually after-tax.

Sonoco has also reached agreement to sell its 40 percent interest in Sonoco Graham Company to the other partners in the venture for $60 million contingent on the purchaser obtaining satisfactory financing and approval of the Graham board. An after-tax gain of $22 million to $25 million, or $.50 to $.57 per share, will result from the sale and should be recorded in the fourth quarter of 1990. After-tax cash flow generated from the sale will amount to over $40 million.

The cash generated from these moves will be used to repay some debt and to purchase up to 1,500,000 shares, or 3.5 percent, of the company's common stock.

The largest restructuring change is taking place in the company's high density film products division. The division is announcing the closing of its Onset, Mass., grocery sack manufacturing plant due to over capacity in the industry and the high cost of operations at that location.

The Los Angeles plant, which was part of the company's Hilex acquisition

will be offered for sale. This plant produces a wide variety of speciality retail sacks. "We have refocused our plastic sack strategy to concentrate on the grocery and high-volume retail markets, resulting in our decision to exit this segment of the business," said King. Approximately $25 million in goodwill associated with the Hilex acquisition is also being written-off. No tax benefit from the goodwill write-off will be recognized at this time, pending clarification of recently issued tax regulations.

Other manufacturing restructurings and staffing reductions will take place in the company's fibre drum operations and several international operations.

In the research and development area, Sonoco is continuing to structure the organization to enhance support for existing businesses and to concentrate resources on development projects for future growth.

Sonoco employs 15,000 people in more than 200 operations around the globe.

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#90240p9418 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINSTON-SALEM, NC (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Lowe's Food Stores, Inc. unveiled an improved version of its "Apples for the Students" program today to put more computers at the fingertips of North Carolina and Virginia school children without cost to the schools or taxpayers.

Improvements to the program allow students to collect receipts for a longer period of time (28 weeks) and earn the newest versions of Apple equipment and software. Participating schools can redeem gold receipts dated August 29, 1990 to March 9, 1991 for computer terminals, printers, disk drives, and software.

"Last year students earned nearly half a million dollars worth of equipment, double the amount we had projected," said Lowe's Foods President Dennis Hatchell. During last year's 20 week program, schools earned over 1000 software packages, nearly 200 computers, 200 printers, and 100 disk drives.

All North Carolina and Virginia full-time K-12 public, private, parochial, and special education schools in the Lowe's Foods marketing area are invited to participate.

"This program to help our schools purchase Apple computers provides a valuable resource to the children of our community," said Winston-Salem Mayor Martha Wood in a letter. "(Lowes Foods) participation provides an

excellent example of a successful partnership between business and education. I hope that other businesses will follow (their) lead by offering important opportunities for significant partnerships."

Lowe's Food Stores, Inc. is owned by Merchant's Distributors Inc. in Hickory and operates 53 Lowe's Foods and 26 Run In convenience stores in North Carolina and Virginia. North Carolina stores are located in Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Chatham, Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Guilford, Iredell, McDowell, Montgomery, Moore, Orange, Randolph, Richmond, Stokes, Surry, Watauga, Wilkes, and Yadkin counties.

The school superintendents, principals, and PTA officials in the Lowe's Foods marketing area have been contacted with details. The company has dedicated the toll-free number 1-800-338-0038 to answer questions about the program.

Funding for the computers will be taken out of Lowe's Foods 1991 advertising budget and will not affect prices at the stores, according to Hatchell. "We believe the 'Apples for the Students' program is a sound business investment," Hatchell said. "While we hope our sales will increase, our real goal is to provide learning tools for children in the communtiies we serve. It's a win-win situation for Lowe's Foods and our customers."

CONTACT: Robin Guin of Lowe's Food Stores, Inc., (919) 659-0180.

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#90240p9422 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, NY (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM has announced an enhanced software product that gives users concurrent access to applications residing on large computers and personal computers running in a graphical operating system.

IBM Windows Connection Version 2.0 seamlessly integrates host sessions and workstations applications running in the Microsoft Corp.'s Windows(A) 3 environment, giving users a consistent, easy-to-use graphical interface at the workstation.

New features in Windows Connection include support for the popular IBM Application System/400(A) (AS/400)(A) midrange computer as a host platform. In addition, several functional enhancements increase user productivity by making it easier to transfer information between host and workstation applications.

"IBM Windows Connection enables computer users to become more proficient in the use of their software applications, giving them quick and easy

access to the information needed to make their business decisions," said Catherine Lewis, IBM director of Publishing Solutions.

Lewis said Windows Connection also provides users with a migration path from mainframe interactive terminals to workstations running Operating System/2(A) (OS/2)(A) Extended Edition with the presentation manager graphical interface.

Windows Connection enables users to view simultaneously workstation applications in the Window 3 environment and host sessions running on the Virtual Machine (VM), Multiple Virtual Storage (MVS) or Operating System/400(A) (OS/400)(A) platforms.

New features include the ability to transfer multiple files simultaneously; a host session "copy and paste" feature for transferring information in one application into a document being created in another; and full Dynamic Data Exchange (DDE) support, enabling users to exchange data directly between host applications and Windows-based workstation applications.

Windows Connection Version 2 requires an IBM Personal Computer or Personal System/2(A) (PS/2)(A) with at least one megabyte of memory; Microsoft Windows 3; and IBM PC 3270 Emulation Program Entry Level, IBM Personal Communications/3270, or Application System/400 PC Support.

Windows Connection Version 2.0 is available Sept. 28 from IBM and authorized dealers at a suggested single unit price of $214. Additional licenses are available at a suggested price of $165. Upgrades from version 1.0 are available at a suggested price of $85.

CONTACT: Steven Malkiewicz of IBM, (914) 642-5449.

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#90240p9425 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAUSALITO, CA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Phoenix Network Inc. (NASDAQ: PHXN) today announced that a private offering of its convertible preferred stock was closed after raising $1,500,000.

The investment banking firm of McGettigan Wick and Co. handled the offering which consisted of 150,000 shares of nine percent preferred, convertible into 600,000 shares of common stock at $2.50 a share.

Commenting on the transaction Thomas H. Bell, CEO and president, said, "We are impressed with the level of interest that this offering has generated. This level of financing is more than adequate to accommodate our growth through 1991."

Phoenix Network Inc. markets network managed long distance services on a nationwide basis. The common stock of Phoenix Network Inc. is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol PHXN.

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#90240p9434 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Lanka, the national airline of Sri Lanka, yesterday signed a contract with Airbus Industrie for the purchase of an A320 to be delivered in December 1992.

As part of its modernization program, Air Lanka's A320 will be used to replace a 737, enabling the carrier to expand its network and operate new routes to the Middle and Far East.

To date, 27 customers have placed firm orders for 587 Airbus A320s, 104 of which have been delivered to 12 operators. Including the A321, total orders for the combined program amount to 699 from 31 customers.

CONTACT: Sandy Smith of Airbus Industrie, 703-834-3458.

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DUNDEE, MICH. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Holnam Inc. (NYSE: HLN) today announced that it had completed the purchase of United Cement Company, a subsidiary of Texas Industries, Inc. (NYSE: TXI), for $61 million. United is located at Artesia, Miss., and operates the only cement plant in the state.

Included in the transaction are seven distribution terminals, located in Memphis and Columbia, Tenn.; Spartanburg, S.C.; Jackson, Miss.; Mobile, Ala.; and two in suburban Atlanta, Ga.

The acquisition was first announced by Holnam following a preliminary agreement in June of this year. Marc von Wyss, Holnam's president and chief executive officer said, "The Artesia plant is an excellent facility and fits well with our strategy of serving the North American construction market from coast to coast. We are pleased to have the United group join the Holnam system."

In March of this year, Dundee Cement Company and Ideal Basic Industries merged into Holnam Inc. to create the largest cement company in North America. In addition to Artesia, Holnam has 13 other cement plants in the United States. It also owns 60 percent of St. Lawrence Cement of Canada which has two cement plants in the U.S. and three in Canada, and

extensive other construction material operations.

Holnam is a subsidiary of Holderbank Financiere Glaris Ltd., of Switzerland, one of the world's largest manufacturers of cement.

CONTACT: Stuart Kirvan of Holnam Inc., 313-529-2411, or Timothy Cobb of Gavin Anderson Doremus, 212-921-1060

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#90240p9439 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Dwaine H. Smith, senior vice president of manufacturing, engineering and technology for ARCO Products Company, died of cancer last night at Torrance Memorial Hospital in Torrance, Calif. He was 52 years old.

Smith, recognized as the pioneer developer of reformulated gasoline was recently commended by the California Assembly for his leadership in the research and development of ARCO's low emission EC-1 Regular gasoline that significantly reduces vehicular air pollution. The Assembly resolution also recognized his contributions in the area of alternative fuels.

Smith joined ARCO in 1959 at the former Sinclair Research Laboratories in Harvey, Ill., after receiving a bachelor of science degree in Chemical Engineering and a master of business administration from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology where he was an ARCO-sponsored Sloan Fellow. In 1975 he became the manager of ARCO's Cherry Point Refinery and in 1976 became the manager of the Philadelphia Refinery. In 1979, Smith moved to Los Angeles and held several positions including vice president, Industrial, Commercial and Distributor Marketing; vice president, Planning and Control; corporate senior vice president, Employee Relations.

Smith served on the board of directors of several charitable organizations including the Junior Achievement of Southern California and the Children's Museum in downtown Los Angeles.

He was a director of the National Petroleum Refiner's Association and in 1988 was appointed to the Governor's Advisory Board on Air Quality and Fuels. Smith also served as a member of the joint automobile and oil industry research planning task force.

He lived in Palos Verdes, Calif., and is survived by his wife Dorothy and three children, Linda, David and Dennis.

CONTACT: Douglas Elmets of ARCO, 213-486-3181

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#90240p9440 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

VINELAND, N.J. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - IGI Inc. (AMEX: IG) said it has continued to make progress in development of personal care and consumer products and has received yet another new important U.S. patent.

New patents: In the past six weeks IGI's majority-owned subsidiary Micro Vesicular Systems Inc. (MVS) has had these more U.S. patents issued, bringing to eight the total in the past 13 months.

The U.S. Patent Office today issued Patent No. 4,952,550 covering "Particulate Absorbent Material." This important patent covers critical parts of MVS' Ultrasponge(TM) technology with applications not only as biodegradable superabsorbers for diapers, but as pharmaceutical carriers and delivery vehicles as well.

On July 31, 1990, Patent No. 4,944,734 was issued covering "Biodegradable Incontinence Device With Embedded Granules" -- ie. a biodegradable disposable diaper containing its own degradation enhancer. The above two patents are the first issued using MVS' proprietary Ultrasponge(TM) technology.

On July 17, 1990, Patent No. 4,942,038 was issued covering the Novasome(TM) "Encapsulated Humectants" (moisturizers) in certain shampoos.

Consumer products:
Edward B. Hager M.D., chairman, said, "We are pleased by this continuing recognition of our technologies by the U.S. Patent Office, and see signs that the marketplace is beginning to share the same confidence."

"...recent independent studies of various MVS-developed consumer and personal care products have demonstrated superiority over current market leading products. Products tested include MVS' MICRO GLIDE Novasome(TM) Shaving Cream, NOVA Novasome(TM) After Shave Balm, MOISTURE PEARLS Novasome(TM) Skin Moisturizers, BABY TENDER Novasome(TM) Diaper Rash Cream NOVA HEAT Novasome(TM) Analgesic Cream, INVISIBLE GLOVE Novasome(TM) Skin Protectant Cream and others. The company is actively pursuing marketing arrangements for these products."

IGI recently reported record sales for the second quarter and for the first six months of the year.

Hager said, "The results demonstrate the strength of IGI's expanding core businesses of poultry biologics and companion pet care products. Our core business operation will continue to keep IGI profitable while we fund development of the Novasome(TM) and Ultrasponge(TM) technologies at MVS."

IGI Inc. is a diversified profitable biotechnology company. Its majority-owned subsidiary Micro Vesicular Systems Inc. (MVS) has created

microencapsulation (often called "liposomes") and biodegradable superabsorbents -- Ultrasponge(TM). These are being developed for a wide variety of commercial applications.

CONTACT: Michael Dodge of IGI, 609-691-2411

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#90240p9442 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SKOKIE, IL (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Brunswick Corp. (NYSE: BC) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 11 cents per share, payable Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 25, 1990.

Headquartered in Skokie, Brunswick Corp. serves worldwide markets in the marine power, pleasure boating, recreation, defense/aerospace and industrial areas. Its stock is traded on the New York, Tokyo, London, Pacific and Midwest Stock Exchanges.

CONTACT: Ross Stemer of Brunswick Corp., (708) 470-4851.

-30- 702

#90240p9445 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Three major organizational changes at St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company were announced today by St. Paul Chairman Douglas W. Leatherdale.

The changes are: the formation of a Field Operations Division, combining the company's former Regional Operations Division (ROD) and some functions from its former Marketing Division; the formation of a new service center in St. Paul, Minn.; and the merger of the current General Commercial Underwriting (GCU) and Business Owners Services (BOSS) departments into one commercial insurance operation.

Leatherdale said management of the company's distribution system the agents and insurance brokers who sell its products and services will be handled by the new Agency/Broker Services department in Field Operations. Product marketing is being moved to the individual underwriting operations. Regional Operations becomes Service Center Operations.

"Marketing and Regional Operations were both focal points for planning, daily operations and communications between corporate headquarters and the field," Leatherdale said. "ROD was the corporate headquarters liaison with the service centers, and Marketing served the same purpose for our distribution force.

"Our move to more niche marketing has meant that our marketing staff needs

to become more and more specialized. Merging product marketing into underwriting will allow us to increase our expertise as well as enhance our sales capabilities as the marketers and underwriters work more closely together," Leatherdale said.

R. Laury Willox, senior vice president-regional operations, has been named president of the new division, Leatherdale said. Reporting to Willox are James A. Schulte, who has been named senior vice president-service center operations, and A. Lawrence Miller, who has been named senior vice president-agency/broker services. Schulte was vice president-regional operations; Miller was vice president-general manager of the company's New York Service Center.

Charles W. Seabright, vice president-general manager of The St. Paul's New Jersey Service Center, has been named to replace Miller in New York. No replacement has been named for Seabright.

Reporting to Schulte are Duke Truby and David W. Birkenhauer, currently regional operations officers, and Terry Cooper, currently manager of the Dakota-Montana Branch of the company's Upper Midwest Service Center.

CONTACT: Suzi Kanyr Hagen of The St. Paul Companies, (612) 221-8022.

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#90240p9446 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Infotechnology, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ITCH) today announced that James L. Arnold has been promoted to executive vice president, Technical Products and Services Group, from the position of executive vice president, general counsel and secretary. He succeeds James R. Pompa, who resigned to pursue other business interests.

William L. Prieur Brownley has been named vice president, general counsel and secretary of Infotech. He had previously been assistant general counsel.

Infotech's Technical Products and Services Group both markets its products to third party customers and functions as the company's technological research and development arm.

The group is based in the Washington area and features Hadron, Inc., a high technology company providing technical products and services in the fields of engineering, computer science, litigation support, and data communications.

Arnold also serves as the chairman, president and chief executive officer of Hadron. The group also includes Telecommunications Industries, Inc. and other applied technology operations within Infotech.

Arnold, 43, has held various positions within Infotech since 1982. He has specialized in acquisitions and divestitures; government contract review and negotiation; and turnaround management.

Arnold's career encompasses more than 20 years of management and corporate counsel legal experience in a variety of private and public U.S. corporations, including Financial News Network (NASDAQ-NMS: FNNI) and Infotech. He also worked with the U.S. Department of Commerce and Long Island Lighting Company. Arnold holds a bachelor's degree from Georgetown University and a J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law.

John Berentson, Infotech chief operating officer, stated: "Jim Arnold's experience and drive will provide the Technical Products and Services Group with the central leadership and vision it needs to improve its own profits, and to afford Infotech the technical expertise it needs to foster further innovation and product line expansions."

Brownley, 34, has been with Infotech since 1985 as assistant general counsel. Prior to Infotech, he was an attorney with the law firm of Miles and Stockbridge, Fairfax, Va. Brownley has also worked in the Alexandria, Virginia Commonwealth's Attorney's Office.

Brownley holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Virginia at Charlottesville and a J.D. from the T.C. Williams School of Law, University of Richmond.

Infotechnology, Inc., is an integrated communications and information company positioned to meet the needs of businesses and consumers with fast easy-to-use information products of economic value to its customers. Among its lines of business, Infotech owns 47 percent of Financial News Network Inc., and owns United Press International.

CONTACT: Amber Gordon of Quest Business Agency, (703) 359-6404, for Infotechnology, Inc.

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#90240p9447 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Ivey Properties, Inc. at their meeting today, declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.18 per share on common stock outstanding payable October 1, 1990 to shareholders of record on September 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Ervin Jackson, Jr., Vice President, Secretary & Treasurer, Ivey Properties, Inc., 704-334-1123.

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#90240p9450 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
LAKE HAMILTON, FLA. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Orange-co, Inc. (NYSE: OJ) announced today that it has completed the previously announced contracts to sell two citrus groves encompassing 2,200 acres in St. Lucie County, Fla. Proceeds from the two transactions total $27.6 million and will generate a significant profit which will be fully sheltered by the company's tax loss carryforward position that approximates $60 million. As a result, the company expects to be profitable in its fourth quarter.

These sales are a significant part of the restructuring plan announced in April by Ron Divin, Orange-co's chief executive officer. Even though these groves represent only about 12 percent of the company's book value, the proceeds amount to almost 50 percent of the company's present market capitalization. The plan is to sell approximately 22 percent of the company's Florida real estate and other assets in order to improve its profitability, cash flow, balance sheet, and return on assets. Additionally, the restructuring plan, once complete, will allow the company to improve the productivity of its remaining groves, more effectively pursue its institutional beverage company business plan and ultimately pursue diversification within the agribusiness/food complex.

CONTACT: Robert A. Peiser of Orange-co, Inc., 313-540-9040

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#90240p9455 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
JERSEY CITY, NJ (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Block Drug Company (NASDAQ: BLOCA) today announced that it has acquired Ethamolin (Ethanolamine Oleate) from Glaxo Inc. of Research Triangle Park, N.C.

Ethamolin will be marketed and sold through Reed & Carnick, the ethical pharmaceutical division of Block Drug Company. Reed & Carnick has offices and manufacturing facilities in Piscataway, N.J.

Ethamolin was approved and granted a New Drug Application by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in December 1988 for the treatment of bleeding esophageal varices, a life-threatening condition. It is the only drug approved by the FDA for this use. The product had been available from Glaxo since June 1989.

Because Ethamolin is classified as an "orphan drug," Reed & Carnrick will have exclusive marketing rights through December 1995. Some 33,000 potential patients may benefit from this drug.

Block Drug Company is a worldwide marketer and manufacturer of ethical and proprietary pharmaceuticals, consumer and professional dental products, and household products. Reed & Carnrick's product line includes Dilatrate-SR

for angina pectoris; Levatol, a beta-blocker; Kwell pediculicide; Phazyme Drops for colic; and Colyte, the leading colonic lavage product.

CONTACT: Dean P. Siegal of Block Drug Company, (201) 434-3000, ext. 1-514.

-30- 1503

#90240p9456 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARTINSVILLE, VA. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - John M. Franck, president of Tultex Corporation (NYSE: TTX) since Dec. 1, 1988, has been elected chairman and chief executive officer of Tultex, replacing H. Richard Hunnicutt, who announced plans to retire.

Charles W. Davies, Jr., executive vice president, was chosen president and chief operating officer to succeed Franck. All management changes will be effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Hunnicutt came to Tultex in 1965, became president in 1984 and chairman on Dec. 1, 1988. He will remain a member of the board of directors, to which he was elected in 1981.

Franck, a 1975 graduate of Georgia Tech in industrial management, has been with Tultex since 1976. In 1984, he was named vice president- corporate planning, and in 1985 he was elected to the board of directors and vice president of Tultex, which gave him the responsibility for all distribution, data processing, personnel and administration.

Tultex is a Martinsville-based producer of fleeced knit activewear and leisure time apparel, operating yarn and apparel manufacturing plants in Virginia and North Carolina.

CONTACT: Marlene B. Lopez of Tultex, 703-632-2961

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#90240p9458 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANNAPOLIS, MD. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - UNC Incorporated (NYSE: UNC) announced today that the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit has remanded to the U.S. Claims Court for a determination of damages a case in which an UNC subsidiary has asserted damages for the taking of uranium mining leases by the secretary of the Interior in 1978.

The Federal Circuit held that the United States had taken the mining leases, and that the UNC subsidiary is entitled to just compensation.

An UNC spokesman said that the government may seek a writ of certiorari from the U.S. Supreme Court, delaying further Claims Court proceedings. The spokesman disclosed, however, that the government's own expert

testified that damages in the case, with interest, could range in the area of $10 million to $20 million, and that expert testimony on behalf of the UNC subsidiary formed a basis for a substantially higher level of damages.

UNC Incorporated, listed on the New York Stock Exchange, is engaged in overhauling aircraft engines and aircraft components, manufacturing and repairing jet engine parts, and providing other services to the nation's aviation industry.

CONTACT: David L. Dragics or Robert L. Pevenstein of UNC, 301-266-7333

-30- 1396

#90240p9461 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Bob White, president of the Canadian Auto Workers union announced today that on Wednesday, Sept. 5, CAW will announce which one of the Big Three auto companies will be selected as a target to establish the 1990 collective bargaining pattern.

White said the decision will be announced immediately following a meeting of all three bargaining committees which is scheduled to take place at the Sheraton Centre Hotel, Toronto, at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 5.

"Negotiations will commence with the target company immediately following the announcement and we expect to establish a strike deadline of Sept. 14, midnight," White said.

A press conference is scheduled for 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 5, at the Sheraton Centre Hotel, Toronto, in the Essex Ballroom.

CONTACT: Peggy Nash of CAW Communications, 416-594-6612

-30- 1044

#90240p9463 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - PharmaControl Corp. (NASDAQ: PHAR) announced today the formation of a new subsidiary, Elite Laboratories, Inc. ("Elite") under the direction of Dr. Atul Mehta as president.

Formerly vice president of Nortec and a nationally renowned scientist in controlled-release technology, Mehta will head a division which will develop controlled-release versions of major prescription pharmaceuticals. These products will be developed for sale by PharmaControl's PFI subsidiary.

The company, which has entered into a long-term employment agreement with

Mehta, will own 80 percent of Elite. Mehta will retain 20 percent ownership and, along with one of the company's officers, was granted warrants to purchase 500,000 shares of the company's common stock at a price of $.20 per share for a period of six years from the date of grant.

The entire funding for the Elite division and for certain associated projects at PFI will be provided by Polystar Corporation and its affiliates ("Polystar"). Polystar has loaned $300,000 to the company which loan is convertible into shares of the company's common stock at a conversion rate of $.20 per share.

The Polystar convertible note bears interest at the rate of one percent over the prime interest rate charged by a leading New York commercial bank and is due two years from the date of the loan. Simultaneously with the making of the loan, an affiliate of Polystar purchased one million shares of the company's common stock for $200,000.

Polystar has further agreed to loan an additional $500,000 to the company prior to Sept. 30, 1990 on the same terms and conditions as the initial loan. The company has also issued warrants to Polystar and its affiliate to purchase a total of ten million shares, exercisable at a price of $.20 per share for a period of two years from the date of grant.

Certain registration and antidilution rights have been granted by the company to Polystar and its affiliate with respect to the shares issuable upon conversion of the Polystar loan and upon exercise of the warrants as well as the shares issued to Polystar's affiliate.

In connection with the financing by Polystar, the company's board of directors elected Dr. P.S. Prasad president and chief operating officer of the company. The company's directors also intend to nominate five additional members to the board.

Dr. Max A. Tesler, chief executive officer, said that the Polystar transaction and the employment of Mehta are favorable developments for the company. Tesler noted that the infusion of new capital to fund the company's operations and the products under development by Mehta will create a positive environment for future growth of the company.

CONTACT: Lyne Ricciardelli of PharmaControl, (201) 567-9004.

-30- 3025

#90240p9466 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHGATE, MI (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Security Bancorp, Inc. (OTC: SECB), at a regular meeting held on Aug. 28, 1990, declared a quarterly cash dividend on its common stock of 23 cents per share. This dividend will be paid on Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of

record Sept. 17, 1990.

In addition, the board of directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on the company's Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock of 66 cents per share, payable Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 17, 1990. Cash dividends have been paid on the company's common stock each year since 1938.

CONTACT: Security Bancorp Investor Relations, (313) 281-5436.

-30- 868

#90240p9472 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Tambrands Inc. (NYSE: TMB) reported that at the meeting of its board of directors today, a regular quarterly dividend of 54 cents per share was declared, payable on Sept. 15 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 7, 1990.

Tambrands is a multinational manufacturer and marketer of personal care products, including Tampax(R) tampons and Maxithins(R) sanitary pads.

CONTACT: Paul E. Konney, senior vice president of Tambrands Inc., 516-358-8774

-30- 656

#90240p9478 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Customers of Detroit Edison (NYSE: DTE), Michigan's largest electric utility, have demanded and received the highest amount of electricity since 1988.

In the hour ending at 3 p.m. today, Detroit Edison delivered 8,975,000 kilowatts (kW) of electricity, surpassing the July 10, 1989, peak demand of 8,704,000 kW and rivaling the company's all-time record demand of 9,133,000 kW set Aug. 8, 1988. Company officials said there is a good chance the 1988 record demand could be broken today. If the heat and humidity wave continues into Wednesday, customer demand for electricity could go higher still.

The demand is being caused by increased air-conditioner use. Detroit Edison officials said the company is not having any problems meeting customer demand and anticipates none in meeting a possible higher demand.

Monday's peak demand was 8,695,000 kW reached in the hour ending at 3 p.m.

CONTACT: Martin L. Bufalini II, 313-237-8808, or Lorie N. Kessler, 313-237-8807, both of Detroit Edison

-30- 1194
#90240p9479 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
SKOKIE, IL (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Brunswick Corp. (NYSE: BC) and Wheatley Corp. announced today that Wheatley had acquired the assets of Texsteam, a unit of Brunswick. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Texsteam is a leading manufacturer of chemical injection pumps, valves and related products used primarily in the production of oil and gas. The business has revenues of approximately $35 million and sells its products through agents and distributors worldwide.

Gene Kaefer, president of Wheatley Corp., said, "Texsteam is a valuable addition to Wheatley. Together, the companies will be able to broaden their product lines and better serve their worldwide customers. With a continued revenue stream approaching $100 million, and manufacturing facilities in major oil field centers, the company is strongly positioned to serve a growing market for oil and gas production products."

Wheatley Corp. is the parent of Wheatley Gaso Inc., a leading manufacturer of reciprocating pumps and valves used in the production of oil and gas. The business has revenues of approximately $50 million and has facilities in Texas, Oklahoma, and Canada.

Headquartered in Skokie, Brunswick Corp. serves worldwide markets in the marine power, pleasure boating, recreation, defense/aerospace and industrial areas. Its stock is traded on the New York, Tokyo, London, Midwest and Pacific Stock exchanges.

CONTACT: Steven Thompson, VP and general manager of Texsteam, (713) 443-7000 or William R. McManaman of Brunswick, (708) 470-4840.

-30- 1723
#90240p9492 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
SHORT HILLS, N.J. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Hoechst Celanese Corporation and General Electric Company (NYSE: GE) today announced they have reached an agreement concerning their dispute over certain formulations of polyester-based engineering plastics.

Under the terms of the settlement, Hoechst Celanese and General Electric have agreed to terminate patent infringement suits in the U.S. and Canada, and both parties have granted each other rights to continue selling certain polyester materials under applicable patents. Other terms of the settlement were not disclosed.

The dispute, which began in 1987, concerning some of the polybutylene terephthalate (PBT) and polyethylene terephthalate (PET) polyester

materials which Hoechst Celanese sells under the Celanex(R) product line and General Electric markets under the Valox(R) product line.

Hoechst Celanese is a subsidiary of Hoechst AG of West Germany, and has leading positions in chemicals, fibers and films, advanced materials, and the life sciences. GE Plastics, headquartered in Pittsfield, Mass., is the world leader in engineering thermoplastics, the fastest growing segment of the plastics industry.

CONTACT: Ann Frechette of Hoechst Celanese, 201-635-4357, or Diana Wall of GE Plastics, 413-448-4794

-30- 1448

#90240p9496 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LINCOLNWOOD, ILL. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Allercare, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALLR) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Allercare/NSL, Inc., entered into an asset purchase agreement to sell its condom business to Schmid Laboratories, Inc. of Little Falls, N.J. for $4 million cash. Included in the sale was inventory and manufacturing equipment valued at approximately $1 million together with applicable trademarks, tradenames and customer lists. The transaction is expected to close on Sept. 17, 1990.

As a result of the sale Allercare expects to significantly reduce levels of employment, consolidate facilities and reduce overhead.

The transaction will provide additional liquidity for continuing operations and for future acquisitions.

Allercare's other products unaffected by the sale include "LaSalle- 10" nail care treatment products, "Allerderm" hypoallergenic baby products and "Country Cream," a country decorator product line.

CONTACT: Sigfred Peck of Sahara Investment Co., 612-338-8714, for Allercare

-30- 1220

#90240p9497 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Big B Inc. (NASDAQ: BIGB) announced today that it had achieved record sales for both its fiscal first half and second quarter.

Sales for the 26 weeks ended Aug. 4 rose 14.8 percent to $224,139,000 from $195,174,000 in the prior year while sales for the 12-week second quarter rose 13.1 percent to $101,241,000 from $89,544,000.

The company reported a net loss of $3,340,000 for the 12-week second quarter and a resulting loss of $2,943,000 for the 26 weeks. The loss was primarily a result of lower gross margins and higher than normal advertising expenses incurred in part due to increased competition. The company stated that adjustments have been made and anticipates much improved operating results during the second half.

In a continuing expression of confidence in the future of Big B the board of directors again declared a quarterly dividend of $.04 per share payable Sept. 21 to shareholders of record Sept. 11.

During the quarter four new stores were opened and eight stores were acquired from Revco D.S. bringing the company's store count to 307. The 12 stores are located in Arab, Atmore, Bay Minette, Huntsville (2), Phenix City, Selma and Tuskegee, Ala.; Atlanta and Columbus, Ga.; and Jackson and Starkville, Miss.

Six additional stores are planned for the remainder of the fiscal year. The expansion of the distribution center continues to progress and should be completed during fall 1990.

Big B Inc. operates stores in Alabama (149), Georgia (111), Florida (20), Mississippi (9), and Tennessee (18).

BIG B INC.

26 wks. ended	8/4/90	7/29/89
Net sales	$224,139	$195,174
Net income (loss)	(2,943)	3,484
Earnings per share	$ (.39)	$ .47
Average shrs. outstanding	7,501,000	7,433,000

12 wks. ended	8/4/90	7/29/89
Net sales	$101,241	$ 89,544
Net income (loss)	(3,340)	1,230
Earnings per share	$ (.44)	$ .17
Average shrs. outstanding	7,530,000	7,442,000

CONTACT: Arthur M. Jones Sr., executive vice president of Big B Inc., (205) 424-3421.

-30- 2434

#90240p9498 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of the board of directors of DQE (NYSE: DQE) held today, the following quarterly dividend was declared payable Oct. 1, 1990, to all holders of record at the close of business on Monday, Sept. 10, 1990.

Class of Stock	Amount per Share
Common stock	$ 0.34

CONTACT: Ken Service of DQE, 412-393-6059

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#90240p9507 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - United Dominion Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: UDR), a Richmond, Virginia, based real estate investment trust, announced today that its Board of Directors authorized the purchase of up to five percent (581,000 shares) of the outstanding common stock.

These shares may be purchased from time to time on the New York Stock Exchange or in privately negotiated transactions. This stock repurchase program will be in effect for the remainder of 1990.

According to John P. McCann, President and Chief Executive Officer, the Board believes that the Trust's shares of common stock are an excellent investment for the Trust to make at current market prices. He indicated that repurchased shares would be used in the Trust's dividend reinvestment plan, stock option plan or for the conversion of the Trust's nine percent convertible subordinated debentures.

United Dominion Realty Trust is a self-administered equity real estate investment trust that owns and operates primarily apartments but also shopping centers from Virginia to Georgia. The Trust specializes in purchasing properties that can be upgraded by capital improvements and new management. United Dominion's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "UDR."

CONTACT: James Dolphin, Senior Vice President, or Jerry A. Davis, Controller, (804) 780-2691, both of United Dominion Realty Trust.

-30- 1602

#90240p9515 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Kerr-McGee Corp. (NYSE: KMG) and partners were high bidders on six blocks offshore Texas in the western Gulf of Mexico at the Aug. 22 federal oil and gas lease sale.

Kerr-McGee's share of the $5.30 million in bids for the six blocks was $3.3 million, and the company will be the operator on five of the blocks. The bids are subject to approval by the Interior Department's Minerals Management Service.

The blocks are located between 12 and 125 miles from shore, in water depths ranging from 45 feet to 530 feet. Kerr-McGee's interests in the

six blocks range from 50 percent to 100 percent.

Award of these blocks will increase the company's undeveloped leaseholdings in the Gulf of Mexico by approximately 22,800 net acres to more than 290,000 net acres.

CONTACT: Myron Cunningham of Kerr-McGee Corp., 405-270-2847

-30- 1050

#90240p9518 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Giant Food Inc. (AMEX: GFS.A), a Washington based food-drug chain of 150 units, today announced unaudited sales and earnings for the 12-week and 24-week periods ended Aug. 11, 1990 compared with the same periods ended Aug. 12, 1989.

For the 12 weeks ended Aug. 11, 1990:

- Sales were $763,999,000, compared with $732,826,000, an increase of 4.3 percent.
- Pre-tax income was $41,948,000, 5.49 percent of sales, compared with pre-tax income of $36,078,000, 4.92 percent of sales.
- Net income was $25,798,000, 3.38 percent of sales, compared with a net income of $22,187,000, 3.03 percent of sales.
- Earnings per share were 43 cents, compared with earnings per share of 37 cents.

For the 24 weeks ended Aug. 11, 1990:

- Sales were $1,533,263,000, compared with $1,457,305,000, an increase of 5.2 percent.
- Pre-tax income was $88,236,000, 5.75 percent of sales, compared with pre-tax income of $79,207,000, 5.44 percent of sales.
- Net income was $54,265,000, 3.54 percent of sales, compared with a net income of $48,712,000, 3.34 percent of sales.
- Earnings per share were 91 cents, compared with earnings per share of 81 cents.

While earnings for the 12 weeks increased 16.3 percent over the prior year and 11.4 percent for the 24 weeks, sales increased at a slower pace than in recent reporting periods, showing increases of 4.3 percent and 5.2 percent for the 12 and 24 weeks respectively. For stores in operation both years, sales increased 1.2 percent for the 12 weeks and 2.1 percent for the 24 weeks.

Giant management stated it believed that several factors contributed to the slower pace of sales growth during the most recent 12 weeks. The company believes it, along with other businesses, is witnessing an overall slowing of the regional economy. The company is confident, however, that with its stores, its people and its merchandising programs it remains

excellently positioned to hold its current customers and continue to attract new ones.

During the comparable period last year, Giant offered its salad bar, regularly priced at $1.99 a pound, at half price. This promotion did increase traffic and sales volume last summer. Because of the uncertainty of the cost of product to Giant this year, along with other factors, the company decided not to have this half-price feature this year, choosing to maintain the $1.99 regular price even though competitors had increased their everyday price to $2.39 a pound.

CONTACT: David B. Sykes of Giant Food Inc., (301) 341-8480.

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#90240p9521 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ZANESVILLE, OH (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - William A. Phillips, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Mutual Federal Savings Bank, (NASDAQ: MFBZ), a stock corporation, has announced that Mutual Federal has received shareholders approval for their merger with Park National Corporation of Newark, Ohio.

Shareholders voted to approve the merger at Mutual Federal's annual meeting, held Aug. 28, 1990. The merger is expected to be completed on Aug. 31, 1990. Shareholders of Mutual Federal will receive .2086 of a Park share for each share of Mutual Federal common stock.

Directors elected to three year terms at the annual meeting were: J. Hunter Hardesty, R. William Geyer, Eugene R. Murdock and James L. Shipley.

CONTACT: James E. Bee, Sr. vice president, marketing, of Mutual Federal Savings Bank, (614) 455-7288.

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#90240p9522 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthco International, Inc.'s (NASDAQ: HLCO) chairman and chief executive officer, Marvin M. Cyker, in noting Gemini Partners' announcement that it had retained Christian W. Jansson as its consultant, stated:

"At long last Gemini Partners has acknowledged what we have said all along - that Gemini has virtually no experience in managing a company such as Healthco. However, in our view, Mr. Jansson's retention does not solve Gemini's problem.

"Healthco is a full-service dental distribution company, which relies on personal relationships with more than 130,000 dentists built over the

years by our 700-person sales force. Our sales team is one of our greatest assets and must be managed accordingly.

"These salespeople are well-recognized in the industry for their knowledge and experience. Many of them have worked at Healthco for 15 or 20 years and more. As a full-service firm, we have also developed very experienced management, customer service and technical support teams."

"On the other hand," continued Cyker, "Bonnier Dental Group - Jansson's former employer - is a discount mail order supply company. Their U.S. operations are small compared with Healthco's. To my knowledge Mr. Jansson has neither built nor managed a full-service operations such as Healthco, with its large sales and marketing organization and customer service and technical support groups - all of which are critical to Healthco's success.

"Further, from 1987 to 1989, Bonnier - with Mr. Jansson as chief executive officer - saw its net profits decline by nearly 75 percent from 15 million to 4 million Swedish Kroners (approximately $2,625,000 to $700,000 based on current exchange rates of 5.716 SEK to US$1). This is hardly the type of record to inspire confidence."

CONTACT: Stanley J. Kay of Daniel H. Burch, (212) 688-6840, both of Dewe Rogerson, for Healthco International.

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#90240p9526 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, ILL. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Oil Company today issued the following statement in response to Gov. James J. Blanchard's call for divorcement/open supply:

Divorcement and open supply legislation are anti-consumer. We believe a call for such legislation is ill-advised. In the governor's news release he calls for such legislation because in Maryland, divorcement has led to lower prices for consumers.

The study the governor quoted is commonly referred to as the Putnam Study. It has since been discredited by the Department of Fiscal Services for the Maryland General Assembly. In a report prepared for the Maryland Senate and House of Delegates in November 1988, this agency said that the Putnam Study -- which claimed Maryland residents had saved $117 million from 1979 to 1986 -- only focused on a limited amount of information.

The report concluded, "... The department does not believe that the conclusion that divorcement saved the motorist money is valid ... The department believes that divorcement led to higher gasoline prices and shorter hours of operation in the period following divorcement."

CONTACT: Pat Wright of Amoco, 708-954-4860

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#90240p9531 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MICH. (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - "Without power provided by the Midland Cogeneration Venture (MCV), and the consistently high performance of Consumers Power Company's baseload electric generating plants, Michigan would be suffering brownouts today," said the utility's chairman, William T. McCormick Jr.

Consumers Power, Michigan's largest utility, reached its highest- ever electric power sendout today when it reached an unofficial hourly peak of 5,909 megawatts for the hour ending at 4 p.m. The new all-time record eclipses an hourly peak record of 5,881 megawatts reached at 5 p.m. Monday.

"Michigan would be sweating it out today were it not for the fact that the MCV is operating and serving Consumers Power customers," said McCormick. The utility is purchasing approximately 850 megawatts of capacity from new plants such as the MCV, the Filer City Station cogeneration project, and the Kent County waste-to-energy incinerator, to meet the record customer demand. Power purchases from these facilities are enough to serve more than 600,000 people.

"Not only is the MCV protecting Michigan, it is also helping to keep things comfortable in Ontario, by selling needed capacity to Ontario Hydro " McCormick said.

Today's record dropped Consumers Power's reserve margin to 21 percent -- below the 23 percent reserve margin recommended by the Michigan Public Service Commission. A reserve margin is the portion of electric capacity owned by a utility in excess of its maximum hourly sendout.

"All of Consumers Power's major electric generating units are operating to respond to the unprecedented power requirements by the millions of Michigan residents we serve," noted McCormick.

In addition to the MCV, other Consumers Power electric units providing capacity include: Big Rock Point, near Charlevoix; Palisades, near South Haven; James H. Campbell Units 1, 2 and 3, near Grand Haven; B.C. Cobb Unit 5, at Muskegon; Dan E. Karn Units 1, 2, 3 and 4, and John C. Weadock Units 7 and 8, Essexville; Justin R. Whiting Units 1, 2 and 3, near Monroe; and three units at the Ludington Pumped Storage Plant, Ludington.

The utility is also purchasing approximately 30 megawatts of electric capacity from Northern Indiana Public Service Company.

"1990 will be the seventh consecutive year of record electric sales for

Consumers Power," McCormick said. "The events of this week again emphasize the need to purchase even more electricity from the MCV and others to power Michigan's continuing progress," he noted.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, 517-788-2396

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#90240p9537 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Winthrop Insured Mortgage Investors II, (AMEX: WMI) A Limited Partnership (the "Fund"), announced today that, as anticipated in their Aug. 10 press release, one federally insured mortgage was sold on Aug. 27, 1990.

The mortgage was sold at a profit to the Fund. The special distribution resulting from this sale is $1.58 per unit including $1.22 per unit of return of capital and 36 cents per unit of profit. This special distribution will be made on Sept. 14, 1990 to unitholders of record as of Aug. 31, 1990. The distribution from this mortgage sale, together with previous quarterly distributions attributable to this mortgage, result in a total average annual return of approximately 11.4 percent to original unitholders.

This mortgage represents approximately 5.9 percent of the Fund's initial offering proceeds invested in mortgages, bringing total assets divested to date to 46.7 percent. The regular quarterly distribution from the six federally insured mortgages remaining in the Fund's portfolio is expected to be approximately 30 cents per unit per quarter. This represents a current return of approximately 9 percent to investors who have held units since the original offering.

The Fund was formed in July of 1983 and completed its initial offering of 3,867,659 units in December 1983. Units of the Fund are currently traded on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "WMI". The General Partners of the Fund are affiliates of Winthrop Financial Associates, A Limited Partnership ("Winthrop"), a Boston-based real estate investment and management company.

Winthrop controls a national portfolio of real estate valued in excess of $6 billion made up of approximately 30 million square feet of commercial space, 50,000 apartments and several hotels. The company has properties in 41 states and Canada.

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#90240p9538 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - American Stores Company (NYSE: ASC) announced today that any of its employees who are called to active duty to serve in support of U.S. forces in the Mideast crisis, Operation Desert Shield, in Saudi Arabia or the Persian Gulf will remain on active status with the company or its subsidiaries for up to six months to protect the employees wages and benefits not covered by their military service.

American Stores Company said it will make up the difference in wages and benefits for all of those employees called to active duty during the present crisis and encouraged all others in the business community to join with American Stores Company in assuring employees who are called to serve that we, their employers, are supporting them during this difficult period.

American Stores Company said we do not believe that any of our employees who are called to active duty or their families should suffer an economic or monetary hardship while serving their nation.

In the event that the present crisis should extend beyond six months and the President's authority to keep forces in the Mideast is renewed by Congress, we are prepared to revisit the problem at that time.

There is an immediate need to provide our employees and their loved ones with assurances that they and their families will have our support now and be protected into the future. American Stores Company will pay the difference between their military pay and benefits based upon their wage experience for the prior six months of service with the company.

American Stores Company is the nation's largest food and drug retailer with 1,895 stores in 38 states and 168,000 employees. Its operating subsidiaries include: Acme Markets Inc. of Malvern, Pa.; Jewel Food Stores of Melrose Park, Ill.; Star Markets of Cambridge, Mass.; Buttrey Food and Drug of Great Falls, Mont.; Skaggs Alpha Beta of Richardson, Texas; American Drug Stores Inc. and Osco Drug of Oakbrook, Ill.; Sav-On Drug of Anaheim, Calif.; Alpha Beta Company of LaHabra, Calif.; and Lucky Stores Inc. of Dublin, Calif.

CONTACT: Michael Miller of American Stores Company, (801) 539-0112.

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#90240p9543 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Customers of Detroit Edison, Michigan's

largest electric utility, demanded so much electricity today that the company's demand record was nearly broken.

In the hour ending at 5 p.m. today, Detroit Edison delivered 9,030,000 kilowatts (kW) of electricity, rivaling the company's all-time record demand of 9,133,000 kW set Aug. 8, 1988, and surpassing the 1989 high of 8,704,000 set on July 10.

If the heat and humidity wave continues Wednesday, demand could go even higher than today.

The demand is being caused largely by increased air-conditioner use associated with the heat and humidity.

Detroit Edison officials said the company is not having any problems meeting customer demand and anticipates none in meeting a possible higher demand.

Monday's peak demand was 8,695,000 kW set in the hour ending at 3 p.m.

CONTACT: Martin L. Bufalini II, 313-237-8808, or Lorie N. Kessler, 313-237-8807, both of Detroit Edison

-30- 1152

#90240p9547 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NILES, OHIO (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - RMI Titanium Co. (NYSE: RTI) president and chief executive officer, L. Frederick Gieg Jr., announced today that RMI's board of directors has authorized a common stock repurchase program.

Gieg pointed out that at today's price, RMI common stock is one of the best investments RMI could make. "This program offers us a chance not only to repurchase some of our stock at extremely attractive prices, but it also enables us to enhance shareholder value," he said.

The timing of the program and the amount of stock repurchased will be dictated by overall financial and market conditions. Gieg further explained, "The board has not set a target number of shares. Instead, the board has authorized us to spend up to $10 million on the initial program and has instructed us to be opportunistic in our purchases. The board intends to review the program regularly."

Gieg noted that orders have turned down recently, "but this would not appear to justify our stock price decline. Our order rate has slackened in response to what we believe to be a temporary commercial aerospace inventory correction -- not the much-talked-about and projected military program cutback. People are always surprised to learn that less than a

third of our shipments are military related. Our major customers have a tremendous backlog of commercial aerospace business, and we feel RMI's titanium mill product shipments in 1991 will approach the levels of 1990.

"This action by the board reflects their confidence, along with that of management, in the future of titanium and the future of RMI," Gieg added.

RMI Titanium Co., headquartered in Niles, Ohio, is a leading manufacturer of titanium sponge, mill products and powder. The company's products are used principally in military and commercial aircraft and engines, chemical processing equipment, mesh for bridge and deck repair, pulp and paper production facilities, and medical implants.

RMI became a public corporation on April 20, 1990, with common stock trading on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "RTI." There are 15,091,600 shares of RMI's common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Crystal L. Revak of RMI Titanium, 216-544-7622

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#90240p9548 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited today issued the following 1990 interim report:

The directors announced that the unaudited profit for the six months ended June 30, 1990, attributable to the shareholders of the bank was HKDI, 530 million (1989: HKDI, 930 million), a decrease of 20.7 percent. The profit was arrived at after providing for taxation and after making transfers to inner reserves.

The directors have declared an interim dividend of 13 cents per share (1989: 12.73 cents adjusted), an increase in distribution per share of 2.1 percent. The dividend will be payable on Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders whose names are on the Register of Shareholders on Sept. 21, 1990. It will be payable in cash, with a scrip alternative, in accordance with arrangements previously announced.

The view expressed in last year's annual report that 1990 might prove to be a difficult year turned out to be correct. The slower pace of world economic growth, already evident in 1989, continued; and interest rates, reflecting attempts by the industrialized countries to dampen inflationary pressures, remained high.

Against this background, the international banking industry is facing a severe downturn, and although the strong performance of its traditional businesses has cushioned the group against the full effect of this downturn, we have been unable to avoid the general trend. At the

operating level profits continued to grow, but the need to make significantly higher provisions out of current profits against the loan portfolios, particularly in the development countries, acted as a major drag upon profit growth.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION LIMITED
CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT (UNAUDITED)

Six months ended June 30:	1989	1990		
	HKDm	HKDm	GBPm	USDm
Profit of the bank and its subsidiary companies	2,024	1,594	118	204
Share of profits less losses of associated companies	139	193	14	25
Total	2,163	1,787	132	229
Profit attrib. to minority interests	(233)	(257)	(19)	(33)
Profit attrib. to the shareholders of the bank	1,930	1,530	113	196
Interim dividend	(812)	(837)	(62)	(107)
Retained profit for the period	1,118	693	51	89
	HK cents	HK cents	GB cents	US cents
Earnings per share (adjusted)	30.38	23.87	1.76	3.06
Dividend per share (adjusted)	12.73	13.00	0.96	1.67

CONTACT: Patricia C. Coate of HongkongBank, 212-658-5342

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#90240p9556 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Flexible Bond Trust, Inc. (AMEX: FLX), a closed-end management investment company seeking total return through investments in income-producing securities with the potential for capital appreciation, today announced that the fund's board of directors has declared a dividend of $0.075 per share from net investment income. The dividend is payable on Sept. 21, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Sept. 7, 1990. The ex-dividend date is Aug. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Frank Maresca of Mitchell Hutchins, 212-713-2421, for Flexible Bond Trust

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#90240p9560 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced a change in the posted prices it will pay for crude oil from California and Alaska fields. Postings are decreased by $1.50.

The change was effective yesterday, Aug. 27 at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

for 35 API -- Cook Inlet -- $25.15
26 API -- Buena Vista -- $24.15
19 API -- Huntington Beach -- $22.55
13 API -- Kern River -- $20.50
27 API -- Long Beach -- $24.65
13 API -- Midway Sunset -- $20.50
17 API -- Wilmington -- $22.00

The gravity adjustment scale is as follows:

Above 40.0 deg. -- $0.000 per tenth degree API
34.0 to 40.0 -- $0.010 per tenth degree API
20.0 to 34.0 -- $0.025 per tenth degree API
Below 200 -- $0.025 per tenth degree API

New prices for all fields are reflected in Chevron's California and Alaska Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-CA30. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACTS: Sherri Zippay, 415-894-4581; or Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440 both of Chevron U.S.A.

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#90240p9569 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermark, Inc. (AMEX: IMI) and Triton Group Ltd. (NYSE: TGL) today announced that the motion for preliminary injunction filed in the Chancery Court of Delaware by the plaintiffs in the In Re Triton Shareholders Litigation has been withdrawn by the plaintiffs.

The motion had been calendared by the plaintiffs in the action to enjoin the pending merger of Intermark and Triton, which among other matters will be addressed at the Annual Meetings of Stockholders of both companies, set for Thursday, Aug. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Mitchell R. Woodbury, VP and Corporate Counsel of Intermark Inc., 619-459-3841

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#90240p9570 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael Prevor, president of PMI Fund Inc. (OTC) announced today the declaration of cash dividends on the common stock payable as follows:

Holder's Record Date

Dividend Per Share	Date Payable	For Entitlement
$.05	Oct. 5, 1990	Sept. 21, 1990
$.04	Nov. 2, 1990	Oct. 19, 1990
$.04	Dec. 7, 1990	Nov. 16, 1990

CONTACT: Michael Prevor of PMI Fund, 212-589-5200

-30- 699

#90240p9579 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - FundAmerica Inc. today announced that it has filed papers with the Florida State Circuit and Appellate Courts challenging the administrative actions by the Attorney General and Comptroller of Florida and asking that these matters be heard in the appropriate courts of law.

In a motion filed Friday, August 24, 1990, in Tallahassee, the company appealed directly to the State Appellate Court the entry of a default and an $8.2 million fine levied by the Florida State Comptroller's office for alleged securities violations.

In a separate action filed Monday, August 27, 1990, in Miami, FundAmerica challenged in the Florida State Circuit Court the actions of the State Attorney General seeking to prevent FundAmerica from doing business in the State.

The company said it had initiated the actions so it could defend itself before an impartial forum and prove that the charges were false.

In a separate step to clarify legal and regulatory questions, the company announced yesterday it had revised its marketing plan and initiated discussions concerning the revised plan with regulators in two of the eight states in which it has conducted business. The company said it plans to present the modified plan, which it believes will satisfy the concerns of regulators and ultimately allow it to resume operations under the supervision and authority of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, to other state regulators, as well.

On August 17, 1990, FundAmerica voluntarily filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in response to a civil lawsuit filed July 24 in the United States District Court for Northern District of California and the subsequent preliminary injunction that froze the company's assets and called for it to cease operations.

CONTACT: Sandra Sternberg or Ross Palmer of Sitrick and Company, 213-208-1108, for FundAmerica Inc.

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#90240p9581 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALO ALTO, CALIF (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Lincoln N.C. Realty Fund Incorporated ("LNCRF") (AMEX: LRF) announced today that it had entered into a Letter of Intent with Silverstone Partners, a California corporation ("Silverstone"), relating to the sale by LNCRF of its Lincoln Rancho Bernardo investment.

The Letter of Intent provides that LNCRF will sell the Lincoln Rancho Bernardo property in San Diego, to Silverstone and Silverstone's sole shareholder, David A. Gaon, a Los Angeles businessman, for a stated purchase price of $17,000,000, consisting of $15,350,000 in cash and 191,531 shares of LNCRF's common stock. Based upon this stated purchase price, each share being delivered by Silverstone and Gaon would have a value of approximately $8.61. The closing sale price of LNCRF's common stock on the American Stock Exchange on Aug. 23, 1990, was $6.75. The 191,531 shares owned by Silverstone and Gaon constitute approximately 9.6 percent of LNCRF's outstanding common stock. If the proposed transaction is closed, such shares will be canceled and LNCRF's outstanding shares of common stock will be reduced from 1,998,493 shares to 1,806,962 shares.

The consummation of the proposed sale to Silverstone and Gaon is subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, including the execution of a mutually acceptable Purchase and Sale Agreement, satisfaction by Silverstone and Gaon of their due diligence investigation, the receipt by LNCRF of a deed in lieu of foreclosure for the Lincoln Rancho Bernardo property, satisfaction of certain standard closing conditions in real estate transactions, the receipt of necessary approvals with regard to the Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds issued in connection with the financing of the property, approval by LNCRF's shareholders, LNCRF's receipt of a fairness opinion, and confirmation of financing by Silverstone and Gaon. LNCRF hopes to consummate the sale by Dec. 31, 1990.

In July 1990, LNCRF announced that it had recommenced negotiations with Silverstone relating to a possible tender offer by Silverstone to purchase up to all of the outstanding stock and warrants of LNCRF. The transactions contemplated by the Letter of Intent were the end result of such negotiations.

LNCRF's board of directors intends to discuss the future alternatives for LNCRF at its next meeting.

LNCRF is a real estate investment trust. LNCRF's securities are listed on the American and Pacific stock exchanges.

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#90240p9583 08/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA (AUG. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Furon Company (NASDAQ: FCBN) announced today that second quarter net income increased 30 percent and sales (after adjusting for divestitures) were up 7 percent over the same period last year.

For the three months ended Aug. 4, 1990, net income rose to $2,273,000, equal to $.28 per share fully diluted, from $1,743,000, equal to $.24 per share fully diluted, in the prior year period.

For the six-month period, net income advanced to 28 percent to $5,508,000, equal to $.69 per share fully diluted, from $4,300,000 or $.57 per share fully diluted, for the same period a year ago. Sales for the year-to-date period increased 2 percent to $172,411,000 from $169,859,000. Sales were up 6 percent for the six-month period after adjusting for divestitures.

The company also announced that it was notified Aug. 27 that it had lost its arbitration claim against the previous owners of a business it acquired 2 years ago. The financial impact of the arbitrators' award was $.05 per share fully diluted. Chairman Peter Churm said, "Although we are surprised and disappointed by the outcome, and while we are putting the financial impact of the matter behind us, we are considering whether or not to appeal the arbitrators' ruling."

Omitting the ruling and related arbitration expenses, net income was up more than 79 percent over the second quarter a year ago. Chairman Churm attributed the positive second quarter performance from operations to continued good business conditions throughout most of the period and reduced interest costs because of a reduction of approximately $70,000,000 in long-term debt from a year ago.

He went on to say, "We are pleased with the strength of our balance sheet after the conversion of the $25,000,000 convertible subordinated debentures during the quarter. As we move into the second half of the fiscal year, the Mid-East crisis and general economy are posing uncertainties with respect to the manufacturing sector. Since the majority of Furon's raw materials are not petroleum-based, escalating oil prices should not have a material effect on our operations. While our new order rate has slowed somewhat, we are still optimistic about a favorable second half."

Furon (formerly The Fluorocarbon Company) is a producer of quality polymer products for the industrial market. The company services a wide range of industries including petrochemical, aerospace, medical, transportation, pollution control and fluid power.

FURON COMPANY

Sales/earnings for fiscal 1991
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)
(in thousands except per share data)

	Six months ended		Three months ended	
	Aug. 4 1990	Aug. 5 1989	Aug. 4 1990	Aug. 5 1989
Net sales	$172,411	$169,859	$84,384	$84,110
Cost of sales	120,636	120,763	59,282	60,324
Gross profit	51,775	49,096	25,102	23,786
Selling, general and administrative expenses	37,104	33,694	18,541	16,685
Interest expense	5,336	7,987	2,618	4,095
Income before taxes	9,335	7,415	3,943	3,006
Taxes based on income	3,827	3,115	1,670	1,263
Net income	$5,508	$4,300	$2,273	$1,743
Per share data: Net income per share				
Primary	$0.78	$0.64	$0.31	$0.26
Fully diluted	$0.69	$0.57	$0.28	$0.24
Cash dividends per share	$0.12	$0.10	$0.06	$0.05
Weighted average number of shares:				
Primary	7,068	6,742	7,385	6,753
New orders	$167,707	$172,929	$78,447	$78,968

	Aug. 4 1990	Aug. 5 1989
Current assets	$103,440	$107,021
Current liabilities	39,633	38,499
Ratio of current assets to currrent liabilities	2.6 to 1	2.8 to 1
Total assets	230,644	257,949
Long-term debt	83,313	151,490
Stockholders' equity	94,739	59,571

CONTACT: Peter Churm or Ron Bissell of Furon Company, 714-831-5350; or Roger Pondel or Kim Feazle of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Furon Company

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#90240u0101 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

KOKOLI, Gambia (AUG. 28) UPI - New talks to negotiate a cease-fire to the eight-month Liberian civil war began without the participation of former rebel leader Prince Johnson, diplomats said.

The conference, called by Gambian President Dawda Jawara under the auspices of the Economic Community of West African States, began late Monday at a beachfront hotel 13 miles from the capital with Jawara calling on delegates to ''end the nightmare'' in Liberia.

''History will not look kindly on your failure,'' he said.

Parties to the talks had waited six hours for Johnson and finally went ahead without him. Johnson apparently missed a plane in neighboring Sierra Leone and was expected at the talks Tuesday.

Following several public speeches, delegates met in private at the Kairaba Beach Hotel in Kokoli 13 miles from the Gambian capital of Banjul.

Jawara called the conference several weeks ago in an effort to bring an end to the war between rebels and troops loyal to Liberian President Samuel Doe.

The war has been at a stalemate for about two months, with rebel leader Charles Taylor's troops in control of most of the countryside and parts of the Liberian capital of Monrovia but unable to dislodge Doe from his heavily protected seaside palace.

A second rebel faction led by Johnson decided to join Doe's forces this month in an attempt to keep Taylor from taking power.

Johnson was expected in the talks to try to exert influence over the formation of an interim government, sources close to the negotiations said.

The expected arrival in Kotu of Johnson, an ally of Taylor's before breaking away to form his own rebel faction, probably means Taylor will not appear for the talks, the sources added.

A delegation representing Taylor has been in Gambia for several days, but it was not clear Monday whether it will take part in the formal talks. Other participants include the Liberian Action Party and the Group of Concerned Liberians in the United States, two factions not involved in the hostilities.

Royal Wharton, who was on his way to serve as a political officer at the U.S. Embassy in Monrovia, will attend the talks as an unofficial U.S. observer, sources close to the negotiations said.

Jawara's goal is to establish an interim government in Liberia once a peace-keeping force formed by five African states - Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Guinea, Gambia and Ghana - is able to establish a cease-fire in the country.

Some troops from the peace-keeping force have been in place since late last week. A Nigerian frigate is expected to leave Sierra Leone for Liberia Wednesday with more troops.

Not all West African countries support placement of the peace-keeping troops, and there were reports from Lagos that Nigeria was expected to begin a diplomatic effort to heal rifts between governments created by formation of the international force.

Burkina Faso President Capt. Blaise Campaore has denounced the decision to create the peace-keeping force and stated that intervention will only lead to an extension of the conflict. Togo rescinded a decision to join the force just hours before it moved into Monrovia.

Reports of fighting over the weekend between Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia guerrillas and the peace-keeping force, however, have made the establishment of a cease-fire and an interim government more difficult, sources close to the talks said.

The talks have also been stalled by Taylor's unclear attitude toward them. Last week, Taylor failed to appear, dooming three days of scheduled talks between the National Patriotic Front and the other groups present in Gambia. The guerrilla representatives have already met four times with Jawara and Nigerian President Ibrahim Babangida, but the talks have produced no results.

A proposal by Patriotic Front delegate Tom Woewiyu, who would become defense minister if Taylor reaches power, to arrange a 10-day cease-fire and send a group of civilians to assess the situation in Liberia was rejected because it required Doe to leave the country for the period.

Woewiyu also called for elections to be held six months after the formation of an interim government while the Economic Community of West African States has called for elections one year after the interim government takes power.

Doe, who took power 10 years ago in a bloody coup, had earlier called new elections for next year and pledged not to run again, but the rebels rejected the move as too little, too late and have demanded his immediate ouster.

Gambia's Jawara, who supervised last week's mediation efforts, said in a statement Sunday that negotiators attempted to persuade the front to agree to a cease-fire but ''it became apparent that the (front) would only be satisfied if peace were to be achieved on its own terms and to the exclusion of all other interested parties.''

Nearly 500,000 Liberian refugees have fled to three countries next to the strife-torn nation, a fact-finding group from the Organization of African Unity reported during the weekend.

More members of the Gio and Mano tribes that supported Taylor have been fleeing Liberia because Doe's troops have targeted them for reprisal massacres, officials said.

Tens of thousands of Liberians have died, most victims of massacres.

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AMMAN, Jordan (AUG. 28) UPI - Hundreds of foreigners displaced by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait poured into Amman in trucks and buses, cars and vans, most forced to reside in makeshift camps for lack of money and assistance from their governments.

''We feel ignored,'' said Mana Singhe, 31, from Colombo, Sri Lanka, formerly an air conditioning technician at a Kuwaiti military base. ''Every day we are asking our consulate and they advise us that there is no message from our government.''

Singhe and more than 1,000 other Sri Lankans are among some 17,000 cash-strapped refugees at the Amman International Fairground, the largest accommodation site in the city. Others are staying in another fairground, in buildings or mosques.

There were believed to be more than 30,000 refugees in the city, most former day laborers in Kuwait who fled fearing the outbreak of war.

Some 500 people were flooding into the Amman International Fair ground almost every hour Monday, but only about 250 were expected to leave during the day, most of them to India, which has been providing its nationals with air tickets.

But the governments of the other refugees, including Filipinos, Somalians, Pakistanis and Nepalese, have yet to gear up repatriation programs because of the costs, officials said.

Outside the grounds' huge exhibition hall, newcomers waited in long lines to sign in, many sitting on battered suitcases, disoriented or fatigued from the long drive from Kuwait, which some said took five days.

The exhibition hall was filled with about 5,000 people sprawled side-to-side, head-to-toe on foam-rubber mattresses, sleeping or chatting.

The rest have been forced to use tents pitched on a sun-baked rocky field

outside, or like Singhe, have erected lean-to shelters of blankets, sheets and towels tied by strings to the walls that surround the site.

''We left everything in Kuwait. I only took my clothes with me,'' Singhe said. ''In the daytime it is uncomfortable because of the heat and in the nighttime it is very cold.''

In a nearby cement drainage ditch, men in sarongs bathed in water scooped from plastic buckets. Some of the few women in the camp erected cloth screens to wash behind.

And as the refugees arrived, so too did Jordanians in cars carrying donations of flat bread and other food, providing vital help to a government that is already under severe financial strain from observing U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

''Frankly speaking, we depend on this action by local people,'' said Hishani al-Ish, a Jordanian Islamic Bank executive who volunteered to help administer the camp, aided by platoons of other professionals, Boy Scouts and housewives.

With the donations and assistance from foreign governments and aid organizations, Jordan has overcome for now the initial problems posed by the influx that forced a temporary border closure last week. Officials are providing water, three modest meals daily and medical care for the refugees.

But aside from Indians, the only refugees able to return home in large numbers are Egyptians, who are diverted from the border crossing at Rweished directly to the Red Sea port of Aqaba, from where they are ferried home by plane and boat, al-Ish said.

Unless the pace of repatriating other foreign nationals increases, he said the effort may hit new problems.

''There is no balance between what is coming in and what is going out,'' he said.

Al-Ish said tension has been growing among the refugees.

''There are some personal problems, quarrels among themselves. We have a lot of police scattered to prevent this. It can't be helped. It reflects what is in their hearts,'' al-Ish said.

Many refugees are also suffering from depression because they abandoned jobs that kept remittances flowing home to their families and now must return home with little prospect of finding work, he said.

Al-Ish said the government is now in a race against the onset at the beginning of next month of the Middle Eastern winter, when it will have to find blankets and stoves to keep refugees warm.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

ARCHERY

Leon, Norway - World Field Championships

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
New York at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
Detroit at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.
Texas at California, 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

San Francisco at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
San Diego at New York, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Atlanta, 7:40 p.m.
St. Louis at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Houston, 8:35 p.m.

ROLLER SKATING

Colorado Springs, Colo., - U.S. Outdoor Speed Championships

TENNIS

New York - U.S. Open

TRACK AND FIELD

Split, Yugoslavia - European Championships

VOLLEYBALL

China - Women's World Championships

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#90240u0145 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 28) UPI - Washington Monday took action against Iraq... but Baghdad ordered its tankers to avoid confrontations with U-S warships in the Persian Gulf. The U-S State Department announced it was giving 36 of Iraq's 55 diplomats in Washington 72 hours to leave the country. Shipping sources in the gulf region says Iraq's request Monday indicates that it is shying away from a military battle with U-S forces.

Blues guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan was killed early Monday morning in a helicopter crash shortly after a show at Wisconsin's Alpine Valley Music Theater. Four others aboard the chopper also died in the crash. Vaughan had just completed a show with fellow guitar legends Eric Clapton and Buddy Guy when he boarded the helicopter headed for Chicago. Guy says Vaughan was flying to the airport because he was in a hurry to return to his girlfriend in New York.

The Owen J-Roberts School District in Chester County, Pennsylvania, has decided to ban school prayer. The district's school board voted unanimously Monday night in favor of the policy forbidding prayer at all school activities. The action follows a court injunction resulting from a lawsuit against benediction during commencement ceremonies.

Police in Gainesville, Florida, say it's too early to know if three women whose bodies were found in the southwest part of the city were killed by the same person. The third victim was found Monday about two miles from a building where a pair of University of Florida coeds were slain. A police officer who was asked if the victims had been dismembered or mutilated said that was NOT ''way off the mark.''

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#90240u0146 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 28) UPI - Aerial spraying Monday to kill encephalitis-carrying mosquitoes in Massachusetts came too late for an UNidentified seven-year-old boy. Officials in Boston confirm that the boy has contracted the rare, and sometimes fatal disease Eastern encephalitis. He is the first person in the state to test positive for the disease in six years. The boy is listed in stable condition at an UNdisclosed hospital.

Players were swinging at more than baseballs Monday night in Toronto in the baseball game between the Blue Jays and the Milwaukee Brewers. The game was delayed about a half hour because swarms of gnats invaded the Toronto Skydome. Players used nets and bug spray to keep the pesky critters away before the roof of the stadium was finally closed and the Brewers won 4-2.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	70	57	.551	-	39-21	31-36	7-3	W-4
Toronto	66	63	.511	5	33-33	33-30	3-7	L-4
Detroit	60	68	.469	10 1/2	32-35	28-34	6-4	W-2
Baltimore	59	67	.468	10 1/2	28-31	31-36	3-7	L-3
Cleveland	59	68	.465	11	32-30	27-38	4-6	L-1
Milwaukee	59	68	.465	11	28-34	31-34	7-3	W-1
New York	54	73	.425	16	30-32	24-41	7-3	W-2
West								
Oakland	79	48	.622	-	40-22	39-26	5-5	L-2
Chicago	73	53	.579	5 1/2	38-29	35-24	5-5	L-3
Texas	66	62	.516	13 1/2	37-28	29-34	5-5	L-1
Kansas City	64	63	.504	15	39-29	25-34	7-3	W-1
California	64	65	.496	16	33-30	31-35	5-5	W-3
Seattle	62	66	.484	17 1/2	32-33	30-33	2-8	L-1
Minnesota	57	71	.445	22 1/2	30-33	27-38	2-8	W-1

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(AUG. 28) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Sosa rf	4	0	0	0	Gladden lf	5	1	1	0
Bradley cf	4	0	1	0	Liriano 2b	3	1	2	2
Calderon lf	4	0	0	0	Hrbek 1b	4	1	1	0
Fisk dh	4	0	1	0	Gaetti 3b	3	1	0	0
Thomas 1b	3	0	0	0	Larkin rf	4	2	3	4
Karkovice c	3	0	0	0	Harper c	4	0	0	0
Fletcher 2b	3	0	1	0	Sorrento dh	3	0	0	0
Grebeck 3b	2	0	1	0	Castillo dh	0	0	0	0
Guillen ss	3	0	0	0	Mack cf	4	0	0	0
					Gagne ss	3	1	2	1
Totals	30	0	4	0	Totals	33	7	9	7

Chicago	000 000 000- 0
Minnesota	302 000 11x- 7

E-Sosa. DP-Minnesota 1. LOB- Chicago 5, Minnesota 6. 2B-Gagne, Bradley.
3B-Liriano, Larkin. HR-Larkin (5). SB-Liriano (5).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Perez (L 11-12)	7 1-3	8	7	7	3	9
Patterson	2-3	1	0	0	1	1
Minnesota						
Anderson (W 6-16)	9	4	0	0	2	5

T-2:21. A-15,329.

Umpires-Home, McCoy; 1b, Phillips; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, Craft.

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 1b	4	1	1	0	Wilson cf	4	0	0	0
Gantner 2b	4	0	0	1	Fernandz ss	3	0	1	0
Sheffield 3b	3	0	0	0	Gruber 3b	4	0	1	0
Parker dh	4	0	0	0	McGriff 1b	4	0	0	0
Yount cf	4	0	2	0	Borders c	3	0	0	0
Deer rf	4	1	1	0	Hill dh	4	1	1	0
Surhoff c	3	1	1	1	Williams lf	4	1	1	1
Hamilton lf	4	0	0	0	Lee 2b	4	0	2	1
Spiers ss	3	1	1	0	Felix rf	2	0	0	0
Totals	33	4	6	2	Totals	32	2	6	2

Milwaukee	000 101 200- 4
Toronto	020 000 000- 2

E-Fernandez, Borders. DP-Milwaukee 1. LOB-Milwaukee 4, Toronto 6.
2B-Williams, Lee, Spiers, Surhoff. 3B- Molitor. SB-Sheffield (23).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Higuera (W 8-6)	9	6	2	2	3	10
Toronto						
Wills	5	2	1	1	1	0
Acker (L 2-4)	4	4	3	1	1	2

WP-Acker. T-2:28. A-49,892.

Umpires-Home, Voltaggio; 1b, Cedarstrom; 2b, McClelland; 3b, Denkinger.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi

Kelly cf	4	1	1	1	Anderson cf	4	0	0	0
Azocar lf	5	0	0	0	Orsulak lf	3	0	0	0
Nokes dh	4	1	3	1	CRipken ss	4	0	1	0
Tolleson dh	0	1	0	0	Horn dh	2	0	0	0
Maas 1b	4	0	1	0	Tettleton c	4	0	1	0
Barfield rf	3	1	1	1	Hulett 3b	3	0	1	0
Cerone c	4	0	2	1	Segui 1b	3	0	1	0
Leyritz 3b	3	0	1	0	Kittle ph	1	0	0	0
Velarde 3b	1	0	0	0	Finley rf	3	0	0	0
Espinoza ss	4	0	0	0	BRipken 2b	2	0	0	0
Sax 2b	4	0	1	0					
Totals	36	4	10	4	Totals	29	0	4	0

New York	011 000 020- 4
Baltimore	000 000 000- 0

DP-New York 2. LOB-New York 7, Baltimore 7. 2B-Nokes, Cerone, Tettleton.
HR-Barfield (19), Nokes (10), Kelly (13). SB-Sax (32).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Hawkins (W 5-10)	8 2-3	4	0	0	5	3
Righetti (S 28)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Baltimore						
McDonald (L 5-3)	7 1-3	9	4	4	0	5
Price	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Schilling	1 1-3	1	0	0	2	1

T-2:58. A-24,589.

Umpires-Home, Ford; 1b, Welke; 2b, Coble; 3b, Evans.

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Barrett 2b	4	2	0	1	Cole cf	4	0	1	1
Quintana 1b	4	1	1	1	Browne 2b	4	0	1	0
Boggs 3b	5	1	1	1	Baerga 3b	4	1	1	0
Burks cf	5	3	4	5	Maldonad rf	4	1	1	0
Romine cf	0	0	0	0	DJames dh	4	1	2	2
Greenwell lf	5	2	2	1	Jacoby 1b	4	0	1	0
Plantier lf	0	0	0	0	Webster lf	2	0	0	1
Marshall dh	5	1	3	2	Alomar c	4	1	1	0
Brunnsky rf	3	1	0	0	Fermin ss	3	0	0	0
Marzano c	4	1	2	0					
Rivera ss	5	0	1	1					
Totals	40	12	14	12	Totals	33	4	8	4

Boston	100 800 102-	12
Cleveland	000 000 112-	4

DP-Boston 1, Cleveland 2. LOB- Boston 6, Cleveland 4. 2B-Burks, Boggs, Browne, Greenwell, Marshall. 3B-Cole Jr. HR-Burks 2 (15), Marshall (2), D James (10). SB-Greenwell (8). SF-Webster.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Boddicker (W 13-8)	8	5	2	2	1	5
Irvine	1	3	2	2	0	0
Cleveland						
Candiotti (L 13-9)	3 2-3	7	8	7	2	5
Ward	4 1-3	3	2	2	2	1
EValdez	1	4	2	2	0	0

HBP-by Candiotti (Brunansky). WP- Candiotti, Ward. PB-Alomar 2. T-2:36. A-10,411.

Umpires-Home, Kosc; 1b, Morrison; 2b, Joyce; 3b, Barnett.

TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
Pettis cf	4	0	0	0	Schofield ss	2	1	1	2
Kunkel 3b	4	0	0	0	White cf	4	1	2	3
Petralli ph	1	0	0	0	Davis lf	3	0	0	1
Franco 2b	4	1	2	0	Winfield rf	3	0	1	0
Sierra rf	4	0	1	1	Downing dh	4	0	0	0
Incaviglia lf	4	0	0	0	Stevens 1b	3	2	2	0
Palmeiro 1b	4	1	2	0	Parrish c	2	1	0	0
Stanley c	3	1	2	1	Ray 2b	4	0	1	0
Daughrty ph	1	0	1	0	Howell 3b	3	2	1	1
Buechele pr	0	0	0	0					
JoRussell dh	2	0	1	0					
Baines dh	0	0	0	0					
Huson ss	3	0	1	1					
Totals	34	3	10	3	Totals	28	7	8	7

Texas	100 000 200-	3
California	001 002 04x-	7

E-White. DP-Texas 2, California 1. LOB-Texas 8, California 8. 2B-Sierra, Palmeiro. HR-White (10). SF-Schofield.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Texas						
Hough		5	2	3	3	10	2
Barfield (L 3-1)		2	3	1	1	0	1
Arnsberg		1	3	3	3	0	0
California							
Finley	6	1-3	8	3	3	2	7
Fraser (W 5-3)		2	2	0	0	1	1
Harvey (S 19)		2-3	0	0	0	1	0

Hough pitched to 2 batters in the 6th, Barfield pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

PB-Stanley. T-3:08. A-23,915.

Umpires-Home, Palermo; 1b, Scott; 2b, Roe; 3b, Garcia.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) UPI - An American who was detained in Kuwait following Iraq's invasion of the tiny Persian Gulf nation died of natural causes in southern Iraq, apparently of a heart attack, the State Department said Tuesday.

The State Department said U.S. officials in Baghdad were informed by the Iraqi Foreign Ministry that the American, believed to be in his mid-50s, died in the southern Iraqi city of Basra.

Baghdad has detained scores of Americans and other foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait to be used as human shields to deter an attack on key Iraqi military and industrial sites. The United States deployed a massive military force in the region following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and its troop buildup on the Saudi border.

The American's death is the first reported fatality among the captives, and likely will raise questions about his access to medical attention under the tense circumstances.

The man's identity was being withheld pending positive identification and notification of relatives, said the department, which added the man was a private citizen and not associated with Washington's diplomatic mission in Kuwait.

U.S. officials in Baghdad were informed of the death Monday, and told the American died of natural causes, most likely a heart attack, the State Department said. It was not immediately known when the death occurred, the

department said.

The Iraqi Foreign Ministry told U.S. officials in Baghdad they would be allowed to have a representative at the autopsy and the body would be turned over the embassy.

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#90240u0231 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

EAST TROY, Wis. (AUG. 28) UPI - Blues guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan had beaten drugs and alcohol and, according to his friends, was playing the best music of his life when he died in a helicopter crash.

Terry Lickona, who produced a show featuring Vaughan for Public Television's ''Austin City Limits,'' said the guitarist was ''at the peak of his career.''

''He was still young enough and had the energy and vitality. He probably would never be better and it showed in his music.

''He had completely cleaned up. The only drug he did while he was here was an allergy pill. He was off everything. He had such a positive outlook on life and his music. He had no ego. He was just very down to Earth.''

Vaughan, who was his second Grammy this year and recently finished recording an album with his brother, was open about his fight against drugs and said his own playing improved during his recovery.

The guitarist and four others were killed Monday just after Vaughan performed with his brother, Jimmie, rock legend Eric Clapton, Robert Cray and Buddy Guy.

George Wein, producer of jazz and blues festivals, called Vaughan ''the most important young white blues artist in the world.''

''It's especially sad this happened because Stevie Ray had straightened his life out. He was in beautiful shape - musically, mentally, physically.

''He was really starting to enjoy his life and communicate with people. To have this happen now is a real tragedy.''

Mac Rebennack, the New Orleans-inspired pianist popularly known as Dr. John, said in New York that Vaughan's commitment to the blues, as well as his honesty about his battle with the bottle, served as a positive example.

''He was really an inspiration to a lot of musicians,'' Rebennack said. ''He was responsible for a lot of people going into rehab and giving them a chance to regroup their lives.''

Vaughan, 35, had just finished a performance at the nearby Alpine Valley Music Theater, topping off the show with a rousing jam on the blues classic ''Sweet Home Chicago.'' Before the song began, Clapton referred to Vaughan and the others as ''the greatest guitar players in the world.''

A National Transportation Safety Board investigator said the five-seat Bell 206 Jet Ranger helicopter flew into the side of a 1,000-foot ski hill. There was no evidence the helicopter hit anything else first.

''We've got evidence of a high-energy impact at a relatively low altitude and we have wreckage up the hill,'' NTSB investigator William Bruce said. ''It was being driven rather than falling free.''

Besides Vaughan, those killed in the crash were Bobby Brooks, Clapton's booking agent; Nigel Browne, Clapton's bodyguard; Colin Smythe, one of Clapton's tour managers, and the pilot, Jeff Brown, said Walworth County Coroner John T. Griebel. Their bodies were taken to the county morgue in Elkhorn for autopsies, the coroner said.

''Bobby Brooks, Nigel Browne, Colin Smythe and Stevie Ray Vaughan were my companions, my associates and my friends,'' Clapton said through his press agent. ''This is a tragic loss of some very special people. I will miss all of them very much.''

Guy, in a telephone interview from his home in Country Club Hills, Ill., called Sunday's performance ''the most incredible set I've ever heard (Vaughan) play.''

''He was one of the guys who gave so much to the blues. I can't even explain it,'' said Guy, a Chicago blues legend in his own right. ''He was one of the greatest people you'd ever want to meet.''

Vaughan won a ''best traditional blues recording'' Grammy in 1984 for ''Couldn't Stand the Weather,'' a cut off his platinum album ''Double Trouble.'' He won this year in the ''contemporary blues'' category for his record ''In Step.''

The Vaughan brothers' long-awaited collaboration album ''Family Style'' is due out Sept. 25 and Stevie Ray Vaughan was to start a European tour next week.

The Vaughans developed a love of the blues by listening to their parents' records while growing up in Dallas.

Stevie Ray moved to Austin, Texas, in the mid-1970s, playing in Storm and the Cobras before putting together his own trio, Double Trouble.

The band played tiny nightclubs in the early 1980s, but a few years later Vaughan, with his trademark bolero hat and battered Stratocaster, and Double Trouble were a headline act in arena shows.

Fort Worth, Texas, saxophonist Johnny Reno, who played with Vaughan in the first incarnation of the band Double Trouble, said the guitarist never believed he would grow old.

Vaughan always had a real weird premonition about dying young,'' Reno said. ''He had a spiritual link with Jimi Hendrix who died at age 27, he really believed that.''

Funeral arrangements had not been announced by late Monday. Relatives said Jimmie Vaughan was expected to return with the body to Laurel Land Memorial Park, where burial would take place.

A candlelight vigil was held Monday night at Zilker Park in Austin, where Vaughan lived since the early 1970s.

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#90240u0246 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 28) UPI - Even Mother Nature has turned against the Blue Jays.

Fresh off three straight shutouts at the hands of the Boston Red Sox, Toronto dropped even further back in the AL East Monday with a 4-2 loss to the Milwaukee Brewers in a game that was delayed by a swarm of gnats.

''It was unplayable,'' Brewers Manager Tom Trebelhorn said. ''Pop flies, ground balls, trying to pitch they flew in your eyes, trying to hit they flew in your eyes.''

B.J. Surhoff was a bit more graphic.

The Milwaukee catcher compared the scene to ''flies on horse manure.''

Swarms of bugs clouded the field for five innings before head umpire Don Denkinger ordered the roof of the Skydome closed.

The Jays were leading 2-1 before the 35-minute delay, but Toronto Manager Cito Gaston insisted that the stoppage in play didn't hurt his team's concentration.

''If anything, I thought it would be better for us, because (Milwaukee starter Ted) Higuera has a bad back,'' said Gaston, who watched his club fall five games out of first. ''Thirty-five minutes is a long time to sit out.''

Instead, Higuera, 8-6, came back with four strikeouts after the delay and gave up only one hit in the last four innings.

''He had one of those games that he gets sometimes,'' Trebelhorn said. ''He'll be throwing harder in the seventh, eighth and ninth than in the first, second and third.''

Boston's Mike Boddicker did a pretty fair job himself in the Red Sox's 12-4 victory over the Cleveland Indians, despite allowing a seventh-inning home run to Chris James that snapped a string of 33 consecutive scoreless innings by Boston's pitching staff.

''I knew about it, but it was going to end sooner or later,'' Boddicker said. ''I think one reason it ended is that we had such a big lead it gave me the opportunity to make a mistake. In the other three games (2-0, 1-0, and 1-0 victories over Toronto over the weekend), they were all close ballgames where one mistake could lead to a loss.

''I wanted to make sure we got the win. That's what's important.''

Boddicker, 13-8, got help from centerfielder Ellis Burks, who slugged two home runs in an eight-run Boston fourth.

''That's beautiful to see,'' Boddicker said.

Burks is the 23rd player to hit two homers in one inning. The last player to accomplish the feat was Dale Murphy, on July 27 last year. The only other Boston player to hit two homers in one inning was Bill Regan in 1928.

''It was a good thing to come in and not let down after a big series in Toronto,'' Boddicker said.

Elsewhere in the American League: New York blanked Baltimore 4-0, Minnesota slammed Chicago 7-0 and California slugged Texas 7-3.

In the National League, it was: San Diego 4, Montreal 1.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Yankees 4, Orioles 0

At Baltimore, Andy Hawkins allowed four hits over 8 2-3 innings and Jesse Barfield, Matt Nokes and Roberto Kelly provided solo home runs to send the Orioles to their ninth loss in their last 12 games. Hawkins, 5-10, won for the fourth time in his last six starts. Ben McDonald, 5-3, lost his third straight start.

Twins 7, White Sox 0

At Minneapolis, Allan Anderson tossed a four-hitter for his first shutout of the season and Gene Larkin homered, tripled and matched a career-high with four RBI. Anderson, 6-16, registered his third straight complete game and his third career shutout. The White Sox dropped 5 1-2 games behind the Oakland Athletics in the AL West.

Angels 7, Rangers 3

At Anaheim, Calif., Dick Schofield's two-out single broke a 3-3 tie and Devon White followed with a three-run home run to cap an eighth-inning rally. John Barfield fell to 3-1. Reliever Willie Fraser, 5-3, earned the win. Texas starter Charlie Hough walked 10 batters - a career high and a team record.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

BATTING (Minimum 330 at-bats)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	383	91	123	.321
Palmeiro, Tex	470	58	150	.319
Trammell, Det	470	63	149	.317
Brett, KC	443	68	139	.314
CJames, Cle	419	51	130	.310
Harper, Min	387	52	120	.310
JoReed, Bos	461	56	141	.306
Griffey, Sea	494	74	151	.306
Boggs, Bos	492	70	150	.305
Burks, Bos	448	71	136	.304

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	463	90	159	.343
McGee, StL	493	74	166	.337
Magadan, NY	338	56	113	.334
Gwynn, SD	501	68	158	.315
Dawson, Chi	407	53	127	.312
Murray, LA	431	72	134	.311
Grace, Chi	459	55	142	.309
Bonds, Pit	408	87	125	.306
Wallach Mon	487	51	148	.304
Coleman StL	455	71	138	.303

HOME RUNS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 41; Canseco, Oak 35; McGwire, Oak 33; McGriff, Tor 28; Deer, Mil 26.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Bonilla, Pit 30; Sandberg, Chi 29; Strawberry, NY and Mitchell, SF 28; Williams, SF 26; Bonds, Pit 25.

RUNS BATTED IN

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 108; Canseco, Oak 88; McGwire, Oak 86; Gruber, Tor 85; Parker, Mil 82; Sierra, Tex 79.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Williams, SF and Carter, SD 97; Bonds, Pit 92; Bonilla, Pit 90; Strawberry, NY 80.

DOUBLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Jo.Reed, Bos 41; Puckett and Harper, Min, Brett, KC Calderon, Chi and Boggs, Bos 35.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Jefferies, NY and Dykstra, Phi 34; Wallach, Mtl and McGee, StL 32; Johnson, NY and Bonilla, Pit 31.

TRIPLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fernandez, Tor 16; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos, Johnson, Chi and Pettis, Tex 7.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Duncan, Cin and Coleman, StL 9; Smith, Atl 8; Thompson, StL and Gwynn, SD 7.

STOLEN BASES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 52; Kelly and Sax, NY 32; Calderon, Chi and Pettis, Tex 29.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Coleman, Stl 73; Yelding, Hou 49; Bonds, Pit 43; Nixon, Mtl 41; Raines, Mtl and Butler, SF 36.

RUNS SCORED

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 91; Fielder, Det 83; Yount, Mil 80; McGriff, Tor 77; Seitzer, KC 76.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Bonilla, Pit 97; Sandberg, Chi 92; Dykstra, Phi 90; Bonds, Pit 87; Sabo, Cin 84.

HITS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Griffey, Sea 151; Palmeiro, Tex and Boggs, Bos 150;Trammell, Det and Kelly, NY 149.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - McGee, StL 166; Dykstra, Phi 159; Gwynn, SD 158; Sandberg, Chi 150; Alomar, SD 149.

PITCHING

VICTORIES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Welch, Oak 21; Clemens, Bos 19; Stewart, Oak 17; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 16.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Drabek, Pit and Viola, NY 16;; Martinez, LA 15; Gooden, NY 14; Harkey, Chi and Armstrong and Browning, Cin 12.

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 110 innings pitched)

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 1.95; Finley, Cal 2.53; Stewart, Oak 2.73; Steib, Tor 2.97; Appier, KC 3.00; Hibbard, Chi 3.01.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Whitson, SD 2.35; Tudor, Stl 2.45; Viola, NY 2.71; De. Martinez, MON, 2.82; Drabek, Pit 2.86.

STRIKEOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 189; Witt, Tex 171; Ryan, Tex 170; Hanson, Sea 161; Johnson, Sea 160; Langston, Cal 155.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 188; Cone, NY 174; Gooden, NY 166; De. Martinez, Mtl and DeLeon, StL 141.

SAVES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Thigpen, Chi 43; Eckersley, Oak 39; Jones, Cle 34; Schooler, Sea 30; Olson, Bal 29.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Franco, NY 30; Myers, Cin 25; L.Smith, StL and Lefferts, SD 22; Smith, Hou 20.

COMPLETE GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Stewart, Oak 8; Morris, Det, Leary, NY, Clemens, Bos, Young, Sea and Brown, Tex 6; Finley, Cal, Saberhagen and Gordon, KC, Witt, Tex 5.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 8; Smoltz, Atl, Morgan, LA, Maddux, Chi, De.Martinez, Mtl and Viola, NY, Hurst, SD 6; Belcher, LA, Drabek, Pit and Hurst and Whitson, SD 5.

SHUTOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 4; Stewart, Oak 3; Eleven pitchers tied with 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3; Thirteen players tied with 2.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - Iraq was ''very wise'' to order its tankers to avoid conflicts with U.S.-led warships in the Middle East because the vessels ''would be blown out of the water'' if they challenged enforcement of U.N.-mandated sanctions against Baghdad, a Persian Gulf shipping source said.

The order to Iraqi tankers appeared to indicate Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was seeking to avoid a confrontation with Western forces that poured into the Middle East after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and also in response to Baghdad's troop buildup on the Saudi border.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz was quoted on Baghdad Radio as saying Monday his country would not be the one to ''strike first,'' and Saudi Arabia has said Iraqi troops had pulled back from the Saudi border.

A shipping source in Bahrain who monitors gulf ship movements and radio communications said: ''We understand the Iraqis have ordered their people to keep low and not break the blockade for now.''

''I think the Iraqis are very wise under the circumstances to avoid giving the Americans any chance to retaliate,'' the shipping source said. ''Quite clearly, they would be blown out of the water within seconds.''

National security adviser Brent Scowcroft told ABC News the United States will offer asylum to any Iraqi sailors who ''respond peacefully'' to efforts in the gulf to prevent supplies from moving to and from Iraq.

At the United Nations, Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar said he will seek the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the release of detained foreigners when he meets for ''extensive and comprehensive'' discussions with Aziz Thursday in Amman, Jordan. Kuwait's exiled government welcomed the move, but warned against any negotiations until Iraqi troops withdrew.

The United States swiftly responded to the forced detention in Baghdad of U.S. Embassy personnel from Kuwait. Iraq has said it will keep almost 50 male embassy employees in Iraq until the United States capitulates and closes its embassy in Kuwait - an order Washington has refused because it does not recognize Iraq's annexation of the emirate.

Iraqi Ambassador Mohamed al-Mashat was called to the State Department Monday to meet with acting Secretary Lawrence Eagleburger to discuss ''restrictions to be placed on the Iraqi Embassy in the United States,'' a source said.

Afterward, State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said the number of authorized people at the Iraqi Embassy in Washington was being cut to 19 from 55. She said the 36 required to leave would include seven accredited diplomats.

The gulf crisis continued to cause upheaval in the financial world. Oil prices plunged at record rates Monday, with gasoline falling nearly 15 cents a gallon as prospects for war in the Middle East appeared to recede. World stock markets have surged this week. Tokyo's key Nikkei indicator staged a sharp rally Tuesday, as traders believed the possibility of a military conflict in the region was decreasing.

In Vienna, members of OPEC failed to agree on a Saudi proposal that would allow the cartel countries to pump more oil than their quotas in order to make up for the 5 million barrels a day shortfall caused by the boycott of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude.

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#90240u0275 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - Tokyo's key stock market indicator rose sharply Tuesday, following a day of steep gains on other World exchanges fueled by sentiment that tension was easing in the Middle East.

Tokyo's key Nikkei average of 225 selected stocks rose 569.00 yen to close Tuesday at 25,710.76. The Nikkei gained 976 yen Monday. News that oil prices fell more than $4 a barrel overnight and that Wall Street had rallied invigorated the market, brokers said.

Share prices began to flag in midafternoon on rumors that Iraq had killed some of its foreign hostages, but then reversed upward when a rumor that Iraq was pulling back from the Saudi border swept the trading floor, said analyst Masashi Kubota of Kokusai Securities Co.

Despite the bull run, Kubota said, ''This is only a temporary rise.''

In New York Monday, share prices on the Stock Exchange staged a powerful rally fueled by an easing of fears about a possible war in the Middle East and continued their climb throughout the session for the Dow Jones' biggest one-day gain in 10 months.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which jumped 49.50 Friday, gained 78.96 to close at 2,611.88. The gain was the biggest of the year and the best since a surge of 88.12 Oct. 16, when the market bounced back from a 190-point ''mini-crash'' the previous Friday.

''The tension is decreasing and it will remain this way until the meeting Thursday in Amman, Jordan, between U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz,'' said David Mizrahi, editor of the authoritative MidEast report.

''The decreased tension had a favorable impact on world markets and this will last for a few more days at least.''

Perez de Cuellar and Aziz are expected to attempt to solve the conflict in the Persian Gulf through a diplomatic settlement.

As share prices soared on world markets, oil prices dived on indications the informal meeting in Vienna of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries was about to allow higher individual country production to make up for the loss of Iraqi and Kuwaiti output. Late afternoon on the New York Mercantile Exchange, oil prices were down $4.51 a barrel.

Investors from Tokyo to New York steadily pushed stock prices up and most world markets scored gains amounting to several percentage points of their respective indexes.

The prospects of higher interest rates in Japan and the continued strength of the yen also helped attract investors to the Tokyo market.

Mizrahi said markets worldwide were reacting to the perception that a full-scale war was not about to break out in the gulf.

''Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has let time elapse, allowing the build-up of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia,'' Mizrahi said. ''If Hussein had wanted to attack Saudi Arabia, he would have moved against Saudi Arabia right after invading Kuwait, and investors are aware of this.''

The upward trend spilled over from Asia to Europe and stock prices surged 6.1 percent on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange Monday on reports of decreased tension in the Middle East. The Frankfurt market also attracted British investors since the London International stock exchange was closed for a bank holiday.

The closely watched German Stock Index gained 95.76 points to close at 1,654.80 points, closing at the day's high.

At the Paris Bourse, the Agefi General Index gained 4.3 percent, an advance based on increased confidence about the Middle East situation as well as on the return to the market place of many investors after the traditional month-long summer vacation in France.

In Zurich, dealers said the Credit Suisse Stock Index made some advance in sympathy with the main world markets, up 18.7 points to 561.3. In Milan, the Stock Index gained 5 percent of its value on the same technical rebound that dominated other markets.

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#90240u0282 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... U-P-I brings you the latest news.

Iraq's President Saddam Hussein appears to be backing off from confrontation with Western forces in the Persian Gulf. Iraq has ordered its tankers to avoid conflicts with U-S-led warships in the Gulf. Baghdad Radio quotes the Iraqi foreign minister as saying his country will NOT be the one to ''strike first.''

President Bush says he does NOT believe steps taken by the State Department against Iraq will escalate tensions in the Persian Gulf. 36 Iraqi diplomats were ordered to leave the United States by Thursday, in retaliation for Baghdad's actions against Americans in Kuwait and Iraq.

The State Department says an American who was detained in Kuwait following the Iraqi invasion has died of natural causes in southern Iraq, apparently of a heart attack. The death is the first reported fatality among scores of Americans and foreigners detained by Iraq.

Gambia's president is calling on delegates to Liberian peace talks to ''end the nightmare'' in the West African nation. The talks aimed at negotiating a cease-fire in the Liberian civil war began yesterday at a beachfront hotel 13 miles from Gambia's capital. Liberian rebels are trying to topple President Saumel Doe.

The offices of Bulgaria's Socialist Party were heavily damaged in an attack by anti-communist protesters Sunday night, and the country's major political parties are NOT happy about it. Both the Socialists and the democratic opposition condemn the attack, with one Socialist leader calling it a ''barbaric act.''

Police in Gainesville, Florida, are investigating the deaths of three

young women whose bodies were found Sunday and yesterday. Two of the victims were students at the University of Florida and were found Sunday in the same building. The third was found yesterday in her apartment about two miles away.

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#90240u0297 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - Hurricane Gustav is strengthening, but it's also turning farther north, which reduces its threat to the Leeward Islands in the northeast Caribbean. At last report, Gustav was 260 miles east-northeast of Antigua, moving north at near nine miles-an-hour. Its maximum winds were near 105 miles-an-hour.

Consumer confidence dropped dramatically in August, amid threats of a possible recession. The Consumer Confidence Index fell to 83-point-eight in August, down some 18 points from July. The Conference Board says the drop is steeper than the decline immediately after the stock market crash of 1987.

A United Airlines jumbo jet carrying 343 people was forced to land without its nose gear yesterday at Los Angeles International Airport. Authorities say 23 passengers and a rescue worker were injured. The pilot of the flight from Sydney, Australia, had declared an emergency because he could NOT lower the nose gear.

At least five percent of college students appear to cheat on multiple-choice examinations. Researchers at McGill University in Montreal say a computer analysis of examination results from two science classes found 50 of one-thousand students probably cheated. They say the rate probably holds for all classes.

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#90240u0320 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) UPI - Israeli intelligence reports indicate Jordan is continuing to cooperate militarily with Iraq and Yemen has been sending in food and other supplies to Baghdad in violation of the U.N.-sanctioned trade embargo against Iraq, The Washington Post reported Tuesday.

The Post, citing sources in its report from Jerusalem, said the latest Israeli intelligence assessments conclude there has been no weakening in Iraq's military position or supplies since the trade embargo began.

The Israeli intelligence reports indicate Jordanian technicians have been instructing the Iraqis on how to operate U.S.-made Hawk anti-aircraft missiles that Iraq captured from Kuwait, the Post reported.

This assistance, Israeli intelligence suggests, may allow Iraq to turn the missiles against U.S. aircraft in the event of a military conflict between Iraqi forces and the U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the region, the newspaper said.

The Israeli sources also said the Jordanian air force has been making daily reconnaissance flights along Jordan's borders with Saudi Arabia and Israel, then forwarding the information to Baghdad, the Post said.

Also, the sources said Yemen is sending into Iraq badly needed supplies by air, including food, the newspaper said.

Yemen and Jordan have expressed support for the U.N. sanctions against Baghdad, although both have not been as harsh as other Arab nations in their condemnation of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2 and its massing of troops on the Saudi border.

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#90240u0461 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (AUG. 28) UPI - The crisis in the Middle East and the resulting surge in oil prices threatens to cut Thailand's double-digit economic growth in half, economists said Tuesday.

''The crisis certainly has affected the Thai economy. High oil prices will seriously damage every economic sector,'' said Krirkkiat Phipatseritham, rector of Thammasat University.

Krirkkiat said Thailand may face a sharp drop in growth next year if tensions in the Middle East continue.

''Our growth rate could be reduced by half to about 5 percent if the oil price reaches $30 per barrel,'' he said.

Narongchai Akrasanee, vice president of Thailand Development Research Institute, made a similar prediction.

''The Gulf crisis and the new high oil prices will adversely affect the prospects of the Thai economy,'' he said.

Narongchai said the Thai growth rate will drop to about 6.5 percent if the average oil price is $23-$25 per barrel.

The growth rate will drop to 5.3 percent if the annual average cost of oil is more than $25 per barrel, Narongchai added.

The Thai stock market has lost nearly 30 percent of its value since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

Over the past three years, Thailand has enjoyed one of the highest economic growth rates in the world, growing 13.4 percent in 1988 and 12.2 percent in 1989, with a minimum of 10 percent forecast by observers for 1990.

''A lot of industrial production has been set up in our country,'' said Krirkiat. ''If something (bad) occurs, it will be even worse than we faced in the recession six years ago.''

Although Thailand produces some coal, oil and natural gas, it must import oil for nearly 70 percent of its energy needs. Most of that oil comes from the Middle East.

Thai officials have said world price hikes have not yet affected local petroleum product prices because most purchases of imported oil were on long-term contracts. The effects would start to be felt in September, they said.

Currently, a government subsidy fund keeps domestic fuel prices down once crude oil prices rise above $18 per barrel.

The Thai government, however, has indicated a new system will soon be initiated that allows domestic prices to fluctuate with world prices.

Krirkkiat said Thailand uses more than 50 percent of its petroleum in transportation systems. Since transportation affects all types of businesses, the prices of goods will have to rise, he indicated.

''I think now the confidence of business is getting worse,'' he said.

Narongchai, however, said the country's financial strength and tough oil conservation measures would still help Thailand maintain a better growth rate than most countries.

The Thai government has urged the public to minimize oil consumption. For example, the government committee of petroleum policy will ask cement plants able to burn coal to reduce their use of oil.

The government also is considering a one-hour cutback in broadcast hours for television and radio stations.

Street lights may also be darkened in order to reduce the consumption of oil for electricity generation.

But the economists said no amount of conservation would protect the Thai economy from the loss of foreign markets if high oil prices triggered a world-wide recession.

The Thai economy has become increasingly dependent on exports, last year exporting $24 billion worth of goods.

Exports have been growing at more than 30 percent, with most of it going to the economies of the United States, Japan and the European Community - all heavily dependent on imported oil.

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#90240u0566 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - The Washington Post reports some apparently sizable holes in the U-N trade embargo against Iraq. The paper says Israeli intelligence indicates Jordan is cooperating militarily with Iraq, and Yemen is sending in food and other supplies. The intelligence reports conclude there has been NO weakening in Iraq's military position or supplies since the trade embargo began.

Senator Frank Lautenberg of New Jersey is raising some questions about the Jordanian ruler's ties with Iraq. Lautenberg says Egypt's President Mubarak told him he ''had indications'' that King Hussein knew something about Iraq's plans to invade Kuwait. Lautenberg said that Mubarak told him he ''was sure'' Iraq's President Saddam Hussein ''had been planning the operation for a couple of years.''

Officials at Cape Canaveral say additional tests are planned to determine if the leak that grounded the shuttle Atlantis in July is similar to the leak that grounded the shuttle Columbia. NEVERtheless, engineers at the Kennedy Space Center are gearing up for the start of Columbia's countdown tomorrow. Columbia is tentatively set for launch Saturday on a 10-day astronomy mission.

Police in Gainesville, Florida, areN'T sure if it was just one person who killed all three young women found dead near the University of Florida. Two of the women were found Sunday in one building, and the third was found later in a building about two miles away. The similarity of the crimes prompted authorities to set up a 60-member task force to investigate.

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#90240u0582 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - 12 Philippine high school students were killed when a landslide swept over a dormitory in Santa Fe, 110 miles north of Manila. Officials say the landslide swept the dormitory away, burying the students. One official says only two bodies were recovered. Santa Fe was hit hard by an earthquake on July 16th that killed more than 16-hundred people in the northern and central Philippines.

Prosecutors in Miami say two aircraft companies and three executives were indicted yesterday on charges of conspiring to export military and civilian items to Iran. The indictment accuses the companies and executives of plotting to send airplane parts and missiles to Iran from 1983 to 1985. Named in the indictment are Bet-Air Incorporated and Victoria Aircraft Company.

High school seniors apparently are slipping in verbal skills. The College Board says seniors scored lower on the verbal portion of the Scholastic Aptitude Test... for the fourth straight year. The news is better in math. The Board says math scores on the college entrance exam held steady during the past academic year.

A would-be holdup man in San Francisco just didN'T have it all together yesterday. Authorities say Gary Moore allegedly tried to hold up a self-serve gas station by pushing inside the the attendant's booth. Once inside, he began stuffing money into the waistband of his trousers. The attendant then fled the booth, slamming the door behind him. Police say the attendant and others held the door shut until police showed up.

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#90240u0679 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - The Washington Post says Israeli intelligence reports indicate Jordan continues to cooperate militarily with Iraq. Israeli intelligence reportedly found Jordanian technicians are teaching the Iraqis how to use American-made missiles that Iraq captured from Kuwait.

The report, quoting sources in Jerusalem, also says Yemen has been sending food and other supplies into Baghdad. Both Yemen and Jordan expressed support for the U-N-sanctioned trade embargo. But they haveN'T been as critical as other Arab nations of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Tensions may be easing up a bit in the Middle East. The Iraqi foreign minister says Iraq will NOT ''strike first'' and Saudi Arabia says Iraqi forces have pulled back from the Saudi border.

Tokyo's key stock market indicator rose sharply today, fueled by easing fears about a possible war in the Middle East. Analysts say the world markets will continue to show improvement during the next few days at least.

Friends say blues guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan was at the peak of his career when he and four others died in a helicopter crash yesterday morning in Wisconsin. Vaughan's new album is due out next month and he was set to begin a European tour next week.

Forecasters predict Hurricane Gustav woN'T threaten land anytime soon. Latest reports placed Gustav about 300 miles northeast of Antigua, moving north near 10 miles an hour with maximum sustained winds of 105-miles per hour.

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#90240u0689 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

FORT BRAGG, N.C. (AUG. 28) UPI - Army prosecutors have suggested that lawyers for a senior non-commisisoned officer accused of killing an unidentified Panamanian during last year's invasion of Panama may argue that the victim was dead or near death when he was shot.

Capt. Charles Luckey raised that possibility Monday when he questioned jurors at the start of the court martial of 1st Sgt. Roberto Enrique Bryan a Panamanian native charged with unpremeditated murder.

Opening statements were to be made Tuesday morning.

Mark Waple, a Fayetteville attorney defending Bryan, said he has not decided whether he will call the sergeant to testify.

Col. Raymond McRorie, presiding over the trial at Fort Bragg, dismissed four members of a 12-member jury panel who had indicated knowledge of the case through news coverage. The remaining eight enlisted men and officers will hear the testimony.

Luckey successfully challenged one of the jurors, a combat veteran who said the government would ''have to present some pretty strong stuff'' to prove that a soldier in combat could be guilty of unpremediated murder.

Luckey asked one juror if it would make any difference in his decision whether the victim was dead or close to it when Bryan shot him.

Bryan, 43, a member of the 82nd Airborne Division, was charged with shooting the Panamanian during an airborne assault on the Central American country.

Bryan said he shot the man after he threw a hand grenade that wounded 10 U.S. soldiers and was about to hurl a second one.

But Lt. Brandon Thomas, a witness, said the shooting took place as Bryan dragged the Panamanian away from the area.

If convicted, Bryan could get life imprisonment and a dishonorable discharge. The Panama native is the first soldier since the Vietnam War to be charged with murder in combat.

Bryan's court martial has sparked mounting questions about the Army's motive in charging the sergeant.

Lt. Gen. Gary Luck, commander at Fort Bragg, ordered prosecution for unpremeditated murder, overriding recommendations by investigators that Bryan be charged only with involuntary manslaughter and by Bryan's commanding officer, Col. Jack Nix, that all charges be dismissed.

The trial may shed light on the question of when deadly force by U.S. troops is warranted. A witness is expected to describe a fuller picture of what U.S. soldiers encountered during the first days of the invasion that ousted strongman Manuel Noriega.

One of the major problems is that the Army identifies the victim only as ''an unidentified Panamanian.''

''The Army knows that everybody is watching,'' said Emile Milne, an aide to Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., who has questioned the Army's motivation for prosecutin Bryan. ''This one is not behind closed doors.''

The Army imposed a gag order on lawyers, witnesses, jurors and the defendant and the news media is prohibited from interviewing spectators or witnesses in the courtroom or in the court building.

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#90240u0691 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - A 60-member task force of state investigators and other officials is trying to determine whether the same person killed three young women found dead in two separate apartments near the University of Florida campus in Gainesville.

Officials in Massachusetts say a young boy has tested positive for Eastern encephalitis, a rare and sometimes fatal disease. State officials say aerial spraying will continue for a second day today to kill encephalitis-carrying mosquitoes.

Former Liberian rebel leader Prince Johnson didN'T make it to the opening session of new talks aimed at ending Liberia's eight-year civil war last night. Johnson is expected to arrive at the talks today, which are being held in Gambia.

Bulgaria's major political parties are condemning the ransacking and torching of the ruling Socialist party's offices in Sofia . About 20-thousand demonstrators turned out last night to rally against Sunday night's protest.

Prosecutors in Miami say two aircraft companies and three executives were

indicted yesterday on charges of conspiring to ship missiles and civilian and military airplane parts to Iran from 1983 to 1985.

A federal judge in Newark, New Jersey, is refusing to release a mother and son sought by Swedish government on murder charges. The 34-year-old mother and her 17-year-old son are to be held pending an extradition hearing.

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#90240u0737 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange rose Tuesday for the third consecutive session in a rally fueled by a fall in oil prices and bond yields.

The key Nikkei average of 225 selected stocks, which gained 976 points Monday, rose another 569.00 points to close at 25,710.76.

The broader Tokyo Stock Price Index jumped 42.92 points to 1,947,51. TOPIX which measures all shares traded on the exchange's first section, had risen 58.87 points Monday.

Volume was much higher. An estimated 480 million shares changed hands, compared with 351.69 million Monday.

News that oil prices fell more than $4 overnight and that Wall Street had rallied gave strength to the market, brokers said.

The yen's strong performance against the dollar also boosted investor confidence.

Bargain hunting sustained the Nikkei's rebound for a third straight session. The index had lost more than one-fifth of its value since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

Elsewhere in Asia, share prices soared on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, taking their cue from solid gains in New York and Tokyo and reacting to dimming prospects of war in the Gulf.

The Hang Seng Index jumped 160.93, 5.52 percent, to close at 3,078.94. The rise followed a gain of 46.60 points Friday. The market was closed Monday for a national holiday.

Volume was a strong 1.50 billion units, up from Friday's turnover of 1.2 billion units.

Share prices ended higher in active trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange with bargain hunters pushing prices mostly higher.

The Straits Times Industrial Index gained 19.18 to 1217.41.

The All Singapore Index rose 5.30 to 346.60.

The exchange recorded a turnover of 141.99 million units.

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#90240u0762 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

ANKARA, TURKEY (AUG. 28) UPI - A group of 52 American women and children permitted to leave Iraq departed for the United States Tuesday in a special plane that took off from a NATO air base in southern Turkey, a U.S. Embassy official said.

The women and children, mainly dependents of U.S. Embassy personnel in Kuwait, took off from the Incirlik air base early Tuesday, heading for the United States with a brief refueling stop in Paris, the official said.

An earlier report Monday said the group would be flown to Frankfurt, West Germany, but a U.S. Embassy source said that information was incorrect.

An original group of 55 left Baghdad at 5 a.m. Sunday and arrived at the Turkish side of the border gate about 2:30 a.m. Monday. Three men in the group were held at the border by the Iraqi authorities and taken back to Baghdad.

The 52 women and children were among more than 100 American dependents and non-essential embassy personnel who left Kuwait for Iraq last week after assurances they would be allowed to leave.

A U.S. Embassy official in Ankara said 54 male embassy personnel were, however, forbidden to leave Baghdad Sunday and only the dependents were allowed to go. ''We are working very hard to secure their release as well '' an embassy spokeswoman said.

In retaliation, the U.S. administration expelled a group of Iraqi diplomats from the United States.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	pc	93	65	.61
Anchorage	pc	63	46	.14
Asheville	sy	92	65	....
Atlanta	sy	97	75	....

Baltimore pc	93	73	....
Billings sy	88	58	....
Birmingham hz	100	72	....
Bismarck pc	83	50	....
Boston sy	85	71	....
Brownsville pc	94	76	....
Buffalo pc	84	69	.45
Burlington Vt. pc	85	68	.20
Charleston S.C.sy	97	76	....
Charlotte sy	97	71	....
Chicago pc	93	67	....
Cincinnati sy	95	71	....
Cleveland pc	93	67	....
Columbus Ohio sy	93	70	....
Dallas sy	104	77	....
Denver sy	94	60	....
Des Moines pc	93	65	....
Detroit ts	90	65	....
Duluth pc	76	52	....
El Paso f	98	68	....
Evansville sy	96	72	....
Fargo pc	81	55	....
Hartford pc	90	70	....
Honolulu pc	89	75	....
Houston pc	95	75	....
Indianapolis sy	93	69	....
Jackson Miss. sy	100	73	....
Jacksonville pc	96	73	....
Kansas City sy	99	69	....
Las Vegas sy	104	73	....
Little Rock sy	100	77	....
Los Angeles f	92	65	....
Louisville sy	97	74	....
Memphis sy	100	76	....
Miami Beach ts	90	75	.69
Milwaukee ts	91	65	....
Minneapolis pc	83	57	....
Nashville sy	100	73	....
New Orleans pc	93	74	.54
New York pc	89	74	.54
Oklahoma City sy	100	74	....
Omaha sy	92	63	....
Orlando ts	93	75	.11
Philadelphia pc	94	74	....
Phoenix f	107	84	....
Pittsburgh ts	90	68	.03
Portland Me. cy	84	66	....
Portland Ore. pc	84	61	....

Providence sy	88	71	....
Richmond sy	96	74	....
St. Louis sy	99	76	....
Salt Lake City sy	93	61	....
San Antonio pc	99	75	....
San Diego f	80	65	....
San Francisco f	78	59	....
San Juan sy	90	78	.24
Seattle sy	81	56	....
Spokane sy	85	54	....
Tampa pc	92	76	....
Washington pc	94	76	....
Wichita sy	106	74	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90240u0779 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 28) UPI - The State Department has named Libya as the chief backer of an abortive terrorist raid on an Israeli beach on May 30th. The department calls it ''one of the clearest examples ever established of state sponsorship of terrorism.'' A white paper released yesterday includes supporting evidence that Libya supplied the mother ship for the operation.

A spokesman says Brazil's president suspended two high-ranking Air Force officials reportedly involved in the alleged torture of four soldiers. The decision followed a magazine report that four soldiers were ''barbarously tortured'' to make them confess they stole two revolvers from an air base.

Researchers at Purdue University say a new type of pill has the potential to release medication in the stomach gradually for up to 60 hours. The ''hydrogel'' pill delivers the drug in a fashion similar to a

time-released drug capsule. It may free patients from taking pills for several days or more.

General Motors will have about one-point-three-Million cars equipped with driver-side air bags on the road by the end of the 1991-model year. G-M President Lloyd Reuss also says virtually all of G-M's domestically designed passenger cars will have an air bag by late 1995.

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BEIJING (AUG. 28) UPI - Premier Li Peng bridled at closer Soviet-U.S. ties Tuesday, saying improved relations between the superpowers are fostering global ''imbalance'' and exacerbating the Mideast crisis.

''The gulf crisis has shown that the global pattern of relations between the states has become imbalanced following the relaxation of relations between the United States and the Soviet Union,'' the official Xinhua news agency quoted Li as saying.

Li was addressing the current session of the standing committee of the National People's Congress, China's rubber-stamp parliament.

The hard-line premier said the world has become ''a more turbulent place'' since the easing of Cold War tensions and cited as an example the deployment of U.S. troops in the Middle East.

''The situation has become very serious in the gulf region since the deployment of military forces by the United States and some Western European countries to confront the Iraqi army,'' Li said.

Li repeated China's oft-stated opposition to ''big power'' military intervention.

China voted in favor of a U.S.-sponsored resolution authorizing military enforcement of the U.N. embargo against Iraq, but later qualified its position by saying it does not recognize that the resolution actually allows for the use of armed force.

The quibble over semantics - the term ''minimum use of force'' was changed in the resolution to ''appropriate measures'' - presumably would allow China to protest any actual use of force even while pursuing its course of cautious alignment with the West.

Diplomats in Beijing say they were gratified by China's initial response to the crisis. China denounced Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and promised to stop selling arms to Baghdad.

Last week China implied it would join Western nations in defying an Iraqi order to close all diplomatic missions in Kuwait. But Iraqi and Chinese sources say Beijing has since evacuated its embassy, apparently capitulating to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's demands.

China's stance toward the gulf conflict increasingly resembles that of the Soviet Union, which also pulled out the last of its diplomatic personnel from Kuwait. Moscow has pledged to abide by the embargo but has announced it will not send troops to the region.

In Moscow Tuesday, Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Belenogov met Chinese envoy Zhang Zhen to discuss the gulf crisis, and Zhang delivered an oral message from his government for Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov said.

''The sides noted a proximity of views between the two countries as far as the situation in the Persian Gulf,'' Gerasimov said.

China and the Soviet Union will have the opportunity to compare views on the Mideast crisis on Sept. 1 as well, when Shevardnadze will travel to northeast China for a day of talks with his Chinese counterpart, Qian Qichen.

The talks are expected to focus on a ''regular exchange of views'' and were arranged during Premier Li's trip to Moscow in April, according to an Eastern European diplomat in Beijing.

Li's remarks Tuesday were one of the clearest indications to date of the depth of uncertainty among Beijing's hard-line communist leaders as China searches for an appropriate role in a rapidly changing world.

China still seems unsure how to respond to the collapse of hard-line socialist regimes in Eastern Europe as well as improved Soviet-U.S. ties.

''The U.S.S.R. was China's last strategic enemy,'' a Western diplomat said. ''China doesn't like uncertainty and it's wondering how it will fit in.''

The diplomat said China's aging leaders are disturbed by Beijing's loss of leverage as a buffer between two hostile superpowers.

Li's comments also echoed those made Monday to former Tanzanian President Julius K. Nyerere, who is currently visiting Beijing.

Li told Nyerere that ''a new form of hegemonism is on the rise'' despite a relaxing of East-West tension, pointing instead to what the premier called a growing economic disparity between ''South and North.''

He did not elaborate.

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BEAVERTON, Ore. (AUG. 28) UPI - The civil rights group Operation PUSH said it plans to distribute flyers in at least 12 cities beginning Tuesday, urging consumers to boycott products made by the athletic shoe manufacturer Nike.

Victoria Holland, a spokeswoman for PUSH, said Monday supporters planned to distribute the flyers this week as part of a boycott of the Oregon company in protest at its minority hiring practices.

PUSH has called on Nike to hire more blacks and do more business with black-owned companies. Nike officials have defended their record of minority hiring, and pointed out the PUSH campaign began shortly after the group's magazine ran an advertisement for a competing shoe company, Reebok.

Flyer distribution was originally planned for stores in Portland; Seattle; Louisville, Ky.; Dallas; Houston; Cleveland; Memphis, Tenn.; Atlanta; Miami; and Columbus, Ohio, Holland said.

She said New York and Detroit had since been added to the list, and she thought more cities were also targeted.

Holland said the flyers urge people to boycott Nike products, but not to deter stores selling the products.

''We want it to be very clear that the object is Nike,'' she said.

Nike spokeswoman Liz Dolan said Monday that none of the company's retailers in the original list of cities had reported pickets outside their stores.

Dolan questioned whether PUSH has enough support in Oregon, even among the black community, to stage an effective protest on Nike's home turf. Last Monday, PUSH officials showed up unannounced to demonstrate in front of Nike's Beaverton headquarters.

PUSH officials, led by the group's executive director, the Rev. Tyrone Crider, had hoped to meet with Nike executives that day. But the demonstrators were greeted only by a security guard.

The two sides met Friday in Washington D.C., at the suggestion of Georgetown University basketball coach John Thompson but nothing was resolved.

Dolan said the boycott has had little or no effect on Nike's sales. She said sales have been particularly good in Chicago.

''They've (PUSH officials) said they're going to do a lot of things, but we've yet to see them do any of them,'' Dolan said.

Nonetheless, Nike's stock has fallen recently. After hitting an all-time high of more than $80 a share earlier this year, the stock closed at $61.50 Friday on the New York Stock Exchange. During one two-day stretch last week, the price dropped more than $10.

Dolan attributed the slump to profit-taking and a general downturn in the market.

''We have a shareholders meeting coming up Sept. 17, where orders for the next six months will be announced,'' Dolan said. ''We'll know then if the boycott has had any effect.''

Workers at PUSH's Chicago headquarters now answer the telephone, ''Operation PUSH, say no to Nike.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $391.90, silver base of $4.88 and platinum price of $485.20:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$408.00	418.20
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	209.30	214.40
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	107.50	110.10
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	44.40	45.50
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	408.00	418.20
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	209.30	214.40
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	108.00	110.60
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	44.40	45.50
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	414.60	424.90
China Panda .50 troy oz.	213.60	218.90
China Panda .25 troy oz.	110.80	113.60
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.80	49.00
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.60	29.30
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	407.70	418.10
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	208.40	213.70
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	105.20	107.90
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	45.30	46.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	406.30	416.90
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	210.20	215.60

Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	107.90	110.60
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.80	47.00
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	405.80	416.80
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	208.60	214.30
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.40	90.80
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	46.30	47.50
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.00	24.00

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.27	$6.48
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,520	$3,670
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,500	$1,575

Platinum		
Australian Koala	508.00	519.00
Isle of Man Noble	497.00	508.00
Canada Maple Leaf	514.00	525.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - Syrian President Hafez Assad arrived in Egypt Tuesday for talks with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in the latest round of high-level Arab efforts to negotiate an end to the Persian Gulf crisis.

''I know the meaning of war so I am keen to reach a peaceful solution to avoid the ruin caused by war,'' Mubarak told reporters in Alexandria shortly before Assad's arrival, affirming Egypt's desire to spare no effort to establish peace and stability in the Middle East.

U.S. officials reported what appeared to be the first known death of an American detained by Iraq after Baghdad's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. The State Department said it was told the man apparently died of natural causes, possibly a heart attack. It was not clear when the man, a private citizen believed in his mid-50s, died in Basra where he had been taken from Kuwait. The body of the man was to be turned over to the U.S. Consulate in Baghdad.

Iraq, for its part, reiterated an earlier peace initiative but also

tightened its grip on Kuwait, declaring the tiny oil-rich state the 19th administrative province of Iraq. The Iraqi News Agency reported the decree by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, who has consistently said Iraq had historical rights to Kuwait and that British colonialism divided Iraq from Kuwait.

In other developments:

-The U.S. fleet sailing in the Red Sea to enforce a U.N.-mandated economic embargo against Iraq was reported to have intercepted at least three foreign ships since Sunday heading toward Jordan. Iraq has ordered its tankers not to run the U.S.-led blockade.

-In Vienna, the Iranian oil minister walked out of OPEC talks as delegations from 10 other countries put the final touches on an agreement to reportedly allow a temporary rise in oil output. Belief that some OPEC countries would raise output contributed to a $4 drop in crude oil prices Monday on the New York Merchantile Exchange.

-U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar told the British Broadcasting Corp. he would remind Iraq Thursday that U.N. resolutions contain ''very clear concepts'' about opposition to the invasion and annexation of Kuwait. The U.N. chief plans to meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz in Amman, Jordan, to seek a withdrawal from Kuwait and the release of detained foreigners.

White House Press Secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Monday 63 Americans were believed among the Western and Japanese hostages held by Saddam at strategic sites as shields against attack by a U.S.-led multinational force deployed in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf.

An Iraqi government-run newspaper Monday described foreign nationals detained in Iraq and occupied Kuwait as a weapon ''in the battle of history,'' while Iraqi television debuted an edited new program called ''Guests' News'' that featured scenes of detained foreigners who said they were well treated.

The United States Monday ordered the expulsion within 72 hours of 36 Iraqis, including seven accredited diplomats, linking the measures to an Iraqi siege around the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait and the detention of Americans by Iraq.

The Iraqi news agency meanwhile republished Saddam's Aug. 12 initiative to resolve the crisis ''for the sake of exposing the aggressive intentions and goals of those fishing in troubled waters by concealing the reality of Iraq's peaceful desire and keenness on peace and stability in the region.''

The initiative calls for the withdrawal of Israel from the occupied territories and Syria from Lebanon, resolution of Iraqi and Iranian

territorial disputes and ''arrangements for the case of Kuwait.'' U.S. and other foreign troops also would withdraw from the region and the economic sanctions would end under Saddam's plan.

The United States has rejected the plan.

Syria's Assad traveled to Egypt accompanied by Foreign Minister Farouk Sharaa, Vice President Abdel Halim Khaddam and Minister of Presidential Affairs Wahib Fadel.

The Syrian delegation was meeting with Mubarak, who also met with several U.S. senators Tuesday to discuss the crisis, including Senate Minority Leader Robert Dole, R-Kan., and Georgia Democrat Sam Nunn, chairman of the Senate Armed Forces Committee.

Mubarak has been deeply involved in diplomatic efforts to avert war in the Middle East. He told reporters he sent Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid to Moscow, State Minister for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali to Paris and messages to leaders of the non-alignment movement and African nations.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - The State Department says a man detained by Iraqi authorities has died of natural causes, possibly a heart attack. It is NOT clear when the man, who was in his mid-50's, died. The Iraqi Foreign Ministry told U-S officials in Baghdad they would be allowed to have a representative at the autopsy and the body would be turned over to the embassy. This is the first reported death among the American captives.

Shipping agents report the U-S fleet in the Red Sea is stepping up its interception of vessels headed for Jordan to ensure they are NOT transporting goods for Iraq. This follows today's newspaper report that says Israeli intelligence has found Jordan continuing its military relationship with Iraq... and Yemen delivering food and other supplies into Baghdad.

Philippine officials say 12 high school students are dead following a landslide that swept through a dormitory. Yesterday's landslide buried a school in the town of Santa Fe, about 110 miles north of Manila. Officials say the students were buried and only two bodies have been recovered. Santa Fe was among those towns ravaged by a strong earthquake last July.

Peace talks aimed at ending Liberia's civil war are under way in the small West African nation of Gambia. The negotiations began last night without former Liberian rebel leader Prince Johnson. He apparently missed his

flight and is expected to arrive at the talks today. The conference was called by Gambian President Dawda Jawara who urged delegates to ''end the nightmare in Liberia.''

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(AUG. 28) UPI - A band of thunderstorms stretched across the northern Midwest and into the Northeast, bringing heavy rain, lightning and hail to the region Tuesday while hot weather baked the South and Southeast.

Thunderstorm watches were posted in 13 counties in New York, five in Pennsylvania, nine in Ohio and in parts of Michigan as winds knocked down trees and hail was reported in several counties.

Severe thunderstorms knocked down trees and power lines in northeast Ohio, cutting service to several thousand people in Ashtabula and Geauga counties along Lake Erie. More storms were expected late Tuesday in the same area and spreading throughout the state.

Trees were reported blown down at Sabinsville in western Pennsylvania as fast-moving storms dumped heavy rain on the region.

Intense storms hit Detroit's northern suburbs, producing heavy rain, small hail, gusty winds and lightning. The strong storms extended from Pontiac, Mich., east to Mount Clemens.

The storms were part of a larger system that covered parts of the Great Lakes and Canada.

In western New York, a line of heavy thunderstorms ran from near Buffalo south to Jamestown and trees and power lines were knocked down in South Dayton, about 20 miles north of Jamestown.

The South continued to bake Tuesday under a late summer heat wave.

An excessive heat advisory was in effect through Wednesday for part of north Texas, including the cities of Paris, Waco and the Dallas-Forth Worth area.

High temperatures near 100 degrees were expected Tuesday in the midlands of South Carolina.

The heat was caused by a ridge of high pressure extending eastward from the Mississippi Valley to the Middle Atlantic states that was moving south pushing hot weather into the region for several days.

Temperatures above 100 degrees were reported Monday in Tennessee, Alabama

and Mississippi.

Clouds covered northwest California and the northern mountains while the rest of the state basked in sunshine.

High temperatures ranged from the 80s in San Francisco to 92 in Bakersfield in the Central Valley to a 108 at Death Valley in Southern California.

In Las Vegas, Nev., the mercury was expected to climb to 105 degrees Tuesday under cloudless skies and higher temperatures were expected for the Labor Day weekend. It comes after a spate of unseasonably cool temperatures - below 100 degrees.

In the Northwest, most of Washington was clear with temperatures warming into the 70 and 80s. A weather disturbance off the Oregon coast weakened but still sent thin clouds and isolated showers into the state.

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TOKYO (AUG. 28) UPI - Japan's long-awaited announcement of measures to help the forces confronting Iraq will come Wednesday, Foreign Ministry officials said Tuesday.

Japan is expected to send medical specialists to Saudi Arabia to join the U.S.-led multinational forces confronting Iraq.

It is also likely to offer civilian aircraft to transport non-military supplies and personnel in the Persian Gulf region, as well as financial aid to neighboring countries such as Egypt that are opposing Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The government set a deadline of Wednesday for deciding on its response to requests for contributions to the multilateral force, a Foreign Ministry official said on the condition of anonymity.

But Japan said it needed more time to considerington in retaliation for Iraq's order to the U.S. and other embassies in Kuwait to shut down.

Meanwhile, there were indications Tuesday that the two remaining diplomats staffing Japan's Kuwait Embassy may leave because of deteriorating living conditions. Despite having provisions for six months, the lack of electricity, fresh water and telephone lines are creating severe hardships for the two, the official said. Much of the food was frozen, and has begun to rot, he said.

The embassy will remain open ''in principle,'' but the decision about

whether to staff it or not will be left up to the two men on the spot, Charge d'Affaires Akira Shirota and Second Secretary Koji Naito, the official said.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu has been promising that Japanese help to the multinational forces would involve sweat rather than money alone. Proposals have included sending a mine sweeper and technicians, but the prospects have apparently narrowed. Kaifu has been hemmed in by legal constraints and opposition within the bureaucracy and his party, analysts said.

Japan's Constitution forbids the use of force in international disputes, and its laws make no provision for hands-on help overseas, except in natural disasters.

Disputes have centered on what can be done without amending the laws, a process that could take months, analysts said.

Japanese public attention has focused on the fate of fellow citizens trapped in Iraq.

News that Iraq freed 19 Japanese businessmen Monday was tempered by reports that 20 others had been taken to Iraqi military facilities as part of that nation's ''human shield'' against attack.

The Iraqi Embassy in Tokyo has been the target of numerous threats from rightist groups since Japanese were taken hostage by Iraq, police said. The embassy is now under police protection.

Hostages aside, the crisis has few implications for ordinary Japanese so far, because gas prices have not changed and the economy remains strong.

The government has ordered oil companies to freeze retail gas prices for the time being, dampening public interest in the problem.

On several occasions since the crisis broke Aug. 2, Japanese newspapers and television news programs have led with domestic stories, relegating the Middle East to secondary status.

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#90240u0861 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

COLOMBO, SRI LANKA (AUG. 28) UPI - Security forces battled militant Tamils in the northern port town of Jaffna Tuesday, capturing several rebel positions and advancing on a military camp that has been under seige for more than two months, a military official said.

The development in the week-old major offensive against the Liberation

Tigers of Tamil Eelam came after soldiers captured two nearby islands used as staging areas for the final assault on the town of Jaffna, just a few miles to the north.

Tiger rebels planted 500-pound explosives on a causeway linking the islands to the peninsula so security forces had to fight their way toward Jaffna in boats, military officials said.

''The troops have crossed the causeway and have captured several positions close to the fort camp,'' the military official said. ''Troops are also fighting Tiger rebels who have taken positions in the court house complex and a rest house which is the front of the Jaffna fort.''

The Sri Lankan military launched ''Operation Fort'' last Wednesday in an attempt to gain control of the area surrounding a 300-year-old former Dutch fort in Jaffna where some 200 soldiers and policemen have been trapped for more than two months.

Some 3,600 troops backed by helicopter gunships and heavy artillery are involved in the offensive.

Tiger rebels have used automatic weapons and mortars in sporadic attacks on the fort, preventing government helicopters from landing inside to deliver food and other supplies. The fighting also has prevented troops from evacuating wounded soldiers.

Previous attempts by security forces to clear the area of rebels have failed. Further details of Tuesday's action were not immediately available.

Tamil militants are fighting for an independent homeland in Sri Lanka's northern and eastern provinces.

They believe a separate state for the nation's mostly-Hindu Tamil minority is necessary because of years of discrimination by the majority Sinhalese, who are predominantly Buddhist and who control the Colombo government.

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WINSTON-SALEM, NC (AUG. 28) UPI - A U.S. District Court judge has rejected a $148.8 million jury award for Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co. from the Durham, N.C, cigarette maker's antitrust suit against Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp.

Judge Frank Bullock Jr. issued an order Monday overturning the jury verdict in the suit brought by Liggett & Myers against the Kentucky firm in a dispute over generic cigarettes.

The verdict, handed down March 2, found that Brown & Williamson engaged in unfair pricing on its generic brand and awarded Liggett & Myers $49.6 million in damages. That award was tripled to $148.8 million under antitrust statutes.

Liggett & Myers' lawsuit claimed Brown & Williamson designed its generic cigarettes to copy their generics and confuse consumers. Liggett & Myers also claimed Brown & Williamson participated in "predatory pricing" in which they undersold their generics to drive Liggett & Myers out of the market. The case, at seven months, set a record for the longest in North Carolina's U.S. District Court and gave an unprecedented award in the state's courts.

Bullock, in dismissing the verdict, said the antitrust law on which the suit was based - the Robinson-Patman Act - should be viewed as a law to protect smaller, local businesses from being undercut by larger, national companies that can afford temporary low prices.

"The antitrust laws' goal is to protect the consumer welfare, not to discourage aggressive price competition," Bullock wrote in his 50-page order. "Liggett has failed to introduce substantial evidence of predatory pricing to meet the antitrust injury requirement."

Liggett & Myers officials said they were "obviously disappointed with the court's decision." "We believe ... that Brown & Williamson's behavior and actions were anti-competitive and should be punished," a company statement said. "We believe there are grounds for appeal."

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VIENNA (AUG. 28) UPI - A majority of OPEC ministers have agreed in principle to allow a temporary rise in oil production during the Persian Gulf crisis, but an expected meeting Tuesday to formalize the accord was postponed for 24 hours, officials said.

The surprise delay appeared to be aimed at giving Iran, Libya and Iraq more time to study the proposal, which has the backing of the 10 other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Iran walked out of a three-day OPEC meeting in Vienna Tuesday to protest the accord, and Libya and Iraq have refused to send a delegation to the talks.

''There is practically nothing left to negotiate,'' OPEC President Subroto said of talks Tuesday to work out details of the plan, which reportedly allows OPEC countries to boost output in response to the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

The representative of the Kuwaiti government-in-exile, Finance Minister Ali Khalifa Al-Sabah, said the timing of the accord ''is immaterial. There is an agreement.''

Explaining the delay, OPEC spokesman James Audu said cartel members decided to convene a extraordinary session of the Market Monitoring Committee on Wednesday morning - a meeting he described as a ''continuation of the talks'' on OPEC's response to the gulf crisis.

Under bylaws adopted in July, OPEC must give at least 24 hours notice of such a meeting. Audu said he hoped all 13 countries would be represented.

The reported accord would be a triumph for Saudi Arabia and Venezuela, which have sought OPEC's blessing to increase their output to make up for a global shortfall of 4 million barrels a day resulting from the U.N. embargo of Iraq and Kuwait. The sanctions were imposed following the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Such an accord likely would result in a further decline in oil prices, which had jumped by more than one-third since the Gulf crisis began. Belief that some OPEC countries would raise output contributed to a $4 drop in crude oil prices Monday on the New York Merchantile Exchange.

Iran walked out of the OPEC meeting after other members rejected its demand that production increases be linked to a decrease of government and private oil stocks in industrialized countries.

''It is a big mistake for OPEC,'' Iranian Minister of Petroleum Gholamreza Aghazadeh said of the draft agreement.

''I cannot accept this agreement, even if Iran remains alone,'' Aghazadeh said. ''But I know up until this time three countries do not accept, because two countries are not here.''

The talks in the Austrian capital are considered one of the critical moments in the 30-year history of the cartel because of the split over raising output.

OPEC, which pumps about 40 percent of the crude oil traded on world markets, tries to control prices by regulating the production of its members.

The reported agreement on increasing output was expected to take the form of an informal declaration endorsed by a majority of cartel members. OPEC officials have abandoned efforts to convene a formal policy-setting conference.

During informal talks Monday, OPEC ministers reported ''considerable'' progress toward an agreement that would allow a rise in the cartel's output.

''We're trying to get the maximum possible agreement,'' said Jean Ping, Gabon's oil minister. ''Things are moving fast. If things go as they are, the meeting should not go past tomorrow,'' Ping said.

''We have made a considerable advance,'' agreed Jibril Aminu, the Nigerian minister of petroleum resources.

While refusing to disclose details, Aminu said: ''The agreement will preserve the unity and consensus of OPEC and respond appropriately to the situation. The important thing is that it should give guidance to members on how to respond to the situation.''

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#90240u0879 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - Gainesville, Florida, police are investigating the discovery of another death in an apartment near the University of Florida campus. NO details were released... and authorities areN'T saying if the latest death is connected with the mutilation murders of three young women this week. A 60-member task force is investigating the earlier murders. Two of the women lived together while the third victim lived alone.

The College Board doesN'T have good news about verbal scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test. Students scored lower on the verbal portion of the S-A-T test for the fourth straight year, but math scores held steady during the past academic year. Board President Donald Stewart says the national average verbal score for the class of 1990 was 424, down three points, while the average math score was 476.

Thunderstorms stretch across the northern Midwest and into the Northeast this morning. Thunderstorm watches were issued for 13 counties in New York five in Pennsylvania, nine in Ohio and in parts of Michigan. The South continues to suffer through a late summer heat wave. An excessive heat advisory is in effect through tomorrow for part of northern Texas, including the Dallas-Forth Worth area, where triple digit temperatures are forecast.

People are seeing double in one Idaho Falls, Idaho, neighborhood. The three-block stretch of Michelle Street is home to just 50 families, including seven sets of twins, usually an occurrence in one out of every 80 pregnancies. The residents include one woman who has 17 sets of twins in her family, but was still shocked to learn she was carrying twins... and a family with two sets of fraternal twins.

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#90240u0885 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 28) UPI - President Corazon Aquino rejected as an ''insult'' Tuesday demands by rebel soldiers for her resignation.

Aquino's statement came hours after suspected military dissidents exploded a bomb at a car sales office once owned by the president's late brother-in-law, Ricardo Lopa.

The predawn blast at Mantrade in the capital's financial district of Makati shattered glass windows and damaged two cars but caused no injuries.

Two people were injured in previous similar incidents this month which officials said could be a prelude to a coup attempt.

The right-wing Revolutionary Alliance for the Masses-Soldiers of the Filipino People in a statement Tuesday called on Aquino to step aside and begin a ''democratic dialogue'' on the future of the nation.

The statement was issued on the third anniversary of the Aug. 28, 1987, coup attempt. The same group led the Dec. 1-9 uprising in which 119 people were killed and more than 500 wounded.

''These threats and demands of rebels and traitors are an insult to our people and democratic institutions and deserve only the condemnation of our freedom-loving citizens,'' said Aquino, who has crushed six coup attempts.

Cardinal Jaime Sin, the influential archbishop of Manila who played a key role in Aquino's rise to power, appealed to those responsible for the bombings ''to return to their senses.''

''Violence and terrorism are the approaches of the savages. Such should have no place in a society like ours,'' Sin said in a statement.

Congress and the Senate resumed their session Tuesday after a hastily called six-day emergency recess prompted by fears of an impending rebellion which they said they would counter by drumming up support in their constituencies for Aquino.

Speaker Ramon Mitra of the House of Representatives told eporters Tuesday he did not think there was a need to declare martial law to counter the bombings.

''There is no justification for that,'' he said. ''There have been greater far worse, far destructive bombings going on in the United Kingdom. There is no talk of any declaration of martial law at all and you have a hawk in

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.''

Mitra said the military should first show they are capable of handling the situation before their budget for this year is approved.

Mitra also said he was concerned about news reports that rebel soldiers and communist guerrillas have denied involvement in the string of bombings.

''We ought to be informed of who have been doing these bombings ... this is significant,'' he said.

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#90240u0894 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (AUG. 28) UPI - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has received a message from President Bush, expressing appreciation for Israel's low profile during the Persian Gulf crisis, senior officials said Tuesday.

The officials said the message, described as ''warm'' in tone, also said the United States looked forward to a continued dialogue with Israel.

Appearing before the Parliament's Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee, Shamir confirmed that he had received the message, Israel Radio reported. Earlier, the prime minister's office said it had no information on Bush's message.

Since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2, Israel has attempted to distance itself from the gulf crisis. Although regular contacts between the United States and Israel, such as the sharing of information, have continued, Bush has not asked for any special assistance from Israel, officials said.

''It is common knowledge that Israel's position has been one of a low profile,'' one official said. ''We have all along tried not to play into the hands of (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein.''

Israeli officials have said Saddam has tried unsuccessfully to recast the gulf crisis as part of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Despite Israel's low-key approach, Shamir and other senior Cabinet members have repeatedly warned that Israel will respond forcefully to any attack.

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#90240u0897 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
General Cinema (3rd Q 7-31)	
$506,005,000	$491,325,000
$5,689,000 (.08)	$25,601,000 (.35)
Hechinger Co (2nd Q 8-4)	
$390,489,000	$338,486,000
$10,810,000 (.30)	$9,797,000 (.27)
Phillips-Van Heusen (2nd Q 7-29)	
$191,056,000	$166,436,000
$5,652,000 (.37)	$3,782,000 (.18)
WTD Industries (1st Q 7-31)	
$97,794,000	$120,293,000
d-$7,293,000	$6,350,000 (.95)

d-Deficit

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#90240u0915 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, LEBANON (AUG. 28) UPI - Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite will be the next hostage to be freed, a radio station reported Tuesday, but said that U.S. intervention in the Persian Gulf has delayed the release of six American captives.

The communist-run Voice of the People quoted well-informed sources as saying Waite, 51, an aide to the archbishop of Canterbury, will be the freed soon. Waite was kidnapped Jan. 20, 1987, in Moslem west Beirut while negotiating the release of other Western hostages.

Last week, the London-based Lebanese newspaper Al Hayat quoted diplomatic sources as also saying that Waite will be released soon.

The latest indication of an imminent hostage release comes after Brian Keenan, who holds dual Irish and British citizenship, was freed last Friday in west Beirut after spending nearly 53 months in captivity. He was an English teacher at the American University of Beirut when abducted April 11, 1986.

According to the radio, the sources said, ''The release of all European hostages will take place very soon in the light of positive indications from France and Britain that preceded and followed Keenan's release.'' It gave no details.

The radio, however, quoted Seyyed Hussein Musawi, leader of the

Iranian-backed Islamic Amal movement, as saying the release of the six American hostages will be delayed because of Washington's intervention in the Gulf region.

''I think the issue of non-American hostages will be solved soon, but that of the Americans will be delayed becasue of the American invasion of the region,'' Musawi told the Voice of the People.

Thirteen Westerners, six of them U.S. citizens, are still held by various extremists groups in Lebanon.

Syrian officials said Keenan said he had seen U.S. hostages Terry Anderson Thomas Sutherland, and Englishman John McCarthy during his captivity and that the three appeared to be in good health.

Demands by the kidnappers have included freedom for more than 350 Palestinians detained by Israel and the release of more than a dozen Arabs convicted in Kuwait of bombing various Western targets. The convicts' status is not clear since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The sources quoted by the radio report said Washington ''failed to fulfull its promises'' despite the release of in April of U.S. citizens Robert Polhill and Frank Reed. They also blamed Israeli raids on southern Lebanon for slowing the hostage release process.

In addition, the radio quoted a source close to the Iranian Embassy in Beirut as saying once the issue of the frozen Iranian assets in the United States was settled, the file of U.S. hostages will be directly closed.

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#90240u0926 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) UPI - The Commerce Department Tuesday said lower imported oil prices and record exports narrowed the U.S. merchandise trade deficit 14.1 percent to $22.6 billion during the 1990 second quarter, its lowest level since $21.3 billion in the fourth quarter of 1983. The trade deficit showed an improvement from a $26.3 billion deficit in the first quarter, the department said.

The second-quarter narrowing of the deficit was mainly due to a $3.2 billion - or three percent - reduction in imports to $119.3 billion from $122.5 billion in the first quarter, the department's Bureau of Economic Analysis said.

The merchandise trade deficit has been dropping since its $41 billion peak in the third quarter of 1987. On an annual basis, it reached its record that year at $159.5 billion and fell to $127 billion in 1988, BEA economist Howard Murad said.

The second-quarter deficit reduction resulted from lower oil prices and the weakness of the American economy vs. the economies of Europe, Japan and the Pacific Basin, said David Rolley, and economist with DRI/McGraw Hill in Lexington, Mass. The more vigorous foreign economies absorbed higher levels of U.S. exports while the slowing American economy demanded fewer imports, he noted.

Higher oil prices in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait could erase the second-quarter gain as each dollar rise in per barrel oil prices will cause a $3 billion annual increase in U.S. imports. "A $7 per barrel hike in the price of oil would increase the U.S. trade deficit by $20 billion over a year," Rolley warned.

To make matters worse, if the Middle East crisis triggered an economic slowdown abroad many countries would reduce their purchases of U.S. capital goods, further increasing the American trade deficit, he said.

The BEA numbers are seasonally adjusted and are on a balance-of-payments basis, which excludes military trade of U.S. defense agencies and reflects various adjustments to the trade data reported by the Census Bureau. The annual rate for the merchandise trade deficit in the first six months was $97.7 billion, down from a total deficit of $114.9 billion for 1989.

The BEA noted that oil imports, after rising sharply in the first quarter, declined $3.5 billion in the second, primarily reflecting a plunge in prices. The fall in oil imports more than offset a $300 million increase in non-oil imports.

A $500 million increase in exports also contributed to the decrease in the merchandise trade deficit as a $1.1 billion advance in non-agricultural exports lifted total exports to a record $96.7 billion in the second quarter, the BEA said. First-quarter merchandise exports were at $96.2 billion.

The largest reduction in the second-quarter U.S. merchandise trade deficit was with the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries. That figure narrowed $2.2 billion to $4.4 billion in the second quarter.

Also contributing to the shrinking second-quarter deficit were a $1.1 billion increase in the trade surplus with Western Europe to $1.5 billion, and a $900 million decrease in the deficit with Mexico to $300 million, the bureau said.

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#90240u0930 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (AUG. 28) UPI - A group of Filipinos stranded in Kuwait

by the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion arrived at a checkpoint on the Iran-Iraq border Tuesday, the official Islamic Republic News Agency said.

The Filipinos arrived two days after Philippines Foreign Minister Raul Manglapus asked Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani to allow his countrymen through. Iran said it would open its doors to all foreigners who wished to leave Kuwait.

An IRNA dispatch monitored in Athens said simply a group of Filipinos stranded in Kuwait since the invasion arrived at Shalamcheh on the Iran-Iraq border. The news agency did not say how many Filipinos crossed.

Over the past few days some 60,000 Iranians crossed the Iran-Iraq border. Monday 100 South Asians also crossed at Shalamcheh and 230 Pakistanis who fled Kuwait through Iraq and Turkey, arrived at a checkpoint on the Iran-Turkey border and were allowed through.

No Western nationals have so far crossed into Iran.

An Iran-Iraq detente began Aug. 17 when Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, fearing war with U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia, began meeting all Iranian demands for peace, apparently to release his troops from positions on the Iran-Iraq border.

He accepted the 1975 Algiers accord dividing the Shatt al Arab waterway between the two countries, and offered an exchange of prisoners of war and a pullback of Iraqi troops from Iranian territory taken in the last few days of the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war.

Iraq has since pulled back from about 1,040 square miles of Iranian territory, and the two sides have exchanged some 32,000 POWs, of an estimated 100,000 held by both.

Iraq said Monday it ran out of Iranian POWs registered with the International Committee of the Red Cross, but pledged to begin registering another 1,000 a day and send them home.

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#90240u0931 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 28) UPI - Widespread selling and favorable weather pressured the grain market early today.

Midmorning prices were mostly lower on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Corn and soybean prices were mixed but mostly lower as nearly ideal weather conditions prevailed across the Grain Belt. More of the same is predicted through the end of the week.

The lack of export business also pressured corn and soybeans, although losses were limited by continued light country movement.

The weekly state-by-state crop reports indicated the condition of the corn and soybeans had improved, but there was some deterioration in soybeans in the Delta.

Trading in wheat was lackluster. Taiwan reportedly bought a small quantity overnight, while Egypt and Japan were bidding for wheat.

Country movement was very light.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.52 unch; Dec 2.42 3/4 off 1 1/2; Mar 2.51 off 1 1/4.

Soybeans Sep 6.17 off 2; Nov 6.31 1/2 off 2; Jan 6.45 off 2 1/2; Mar 6.59 off 2.

Wheat Sep 2.79 1/2 off 2; Dec 2.94 1/2 off 2; Mar 3.05 off 1 1/2.

Oats Sep 1.10 1/2 off 3; Dec 1.23 off 3 1/4; Mar 1.34 1/2 off 2 3/4.

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#90240u0955 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (AUG. 28) UPI - Mexico and Brunei have turned down a Philippine request for oil to make up for a loss of imports following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, officials said Tuesday.

A Department of Foreign Affairs official said Mexico and Brunei have informed the Philippine government that their oil production this year has been committed to other countries and they do not plan to increase production.

But Foreign Affairs Secretary Raul Manglapus said Malaysia and Indonesia had promised to help the Philippines. Earlier, Manglapus got a confirmation from Iran and Saudi Arabia that they will increase their oil supply to the Philippines.

Iran has agreed to raise its oil exports to the Philippines to 40,000 barrels a day from less than 8,000 barrels a day before the gulf crisis.

Manglapus has also asked the oil-producing members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations such as Brunei, Indonesia and Malaysia to give the Philippines additional oil imports to offset the losses brought by the global trade embargo against Iraq after it invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

Under the ''Petroleum Security Agreement'' of ASEAN, its oil-exporting members are committed to helping a member in distress.

The agreement, however, states that ''member countries in distress shall exert all efforts to cope with the adverse situation through domestic and normal acceptable commercial means before invoking assistance under this scheme.''

ASEAN is made up of the Philippines, Brunei, Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore and Indonesia.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Aug. 28:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	69	21
Amsterdam pc	1pm	78	26
Ankara c	3pm	75	24
Athens c	2pm	84	29
Auckland c	12a	46	08
Beijing cy	8pm	77	25
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	78	26
Bonn c	1pm	78	26
Brussels c	1pm	78	25
Cairo c	2pm	90	32
Casablanca pc	12n	82	28
Copenhagen cy! ,	1pm	70	21
Dakar pc	12n	85	30
Dublin cy	1pm	66	19
Geneva c	1pm	76	24
Helsinki cy	2pm	63	17
Hong Kong r	8pm	78	26
Jerusalem c	2pm	82	28
Karachi cy	5pm	86	30
Lisbon c	1pm	80	26
London pc	1pm	78	26
Madrid pc	1pm	83	29
Malta cy	1pm	85	29
Manila cy	8pm	81	27
Moscow pc	3pm	59	15
Nairobi cy	3pm	-	-
Nassau cy	7am	78	25

New Delhi r	6pm	78	26
Nice pc	1pm	82	28
Oslo pc	1pm	67	19
Paris c	1pm	82	28
Pretoria c	2pm	82	28
Riyadh	3pm	109	43
Rome pc	1pm	82	28
Seoul c	9pm	79	26
Sofia c	2pm	75	24
Stockholm pc	1pm	65	18
Sydney c	10pm	55	13
Taipei c	8pm	81	27
Tokyo c	9pm	77	25
Tunis pc	1pm	93	34
Vienna c	1pm	85	29
Warsaw pc	1pm	71	21

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	38	03
Caracas	8am	-	-
Havana c	7am	74	23
Lima cy	7am	58	14
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	72	22
Santiago pc	8am	36	02

Canada

Calgary c		69	20
Edmonton pc		70	21
Montreal c		82	27
Ottawa c		84	29
Regina c		73	23
Toronto pc		87	30
Vancouver c		74	23
Winnipeg pc		80	26

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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(refiling for some points)

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-82.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 134.00-140.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $265.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.00-$115.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $476.75-$481.50; dealer-approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $114.00-$122.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 284.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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#90240u0983 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 28) UPI - The State Department today announced the death of an

American detained in Iraq. The department says the American apparently died of a heart attack in the southern Iraqi port city of Basra after he was moved from Kuwait following the invasion. His identity is being withheld pending positive identification and notification of relatives. It's NOT clear when the man... a private citizen believed in his mid-50's... died. Baghdad has detained scores of Americans and other foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait to be used as human shields to deter an attack on key Iraqi military and industrial sites.

The announcement came as shipping agents report that the U-S fleet in the Red Sea intensified its interception of ships heading toward Jordan to make sure they are NOT transporting goods for Iraq. Lloyds of London shipping agents say Americans boarded and inspected St. Vincent and Grenadines-flagged and Indian-flagged vessels yesterday before allowing them to proceed. One shipping source says the U-S Navy apparently is clamping down after cargo slipped through last week.

Opening arguments begin this morning in the court martial of an Army first sergeant charged with unpremediatated murder in the death of an unidentified Panamanian during the U-S invasion last year. Roberto Bryan is a member of the 82nd Airborne Division and is being tried at Fort Bragg North Carolina. Eight enlisted men and officers are on the jury in the case.

A medical survey shows that more than half the women who have Caesarean sections to deliver their babies can successfully avoid the operation for their next pregnancy. The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists survey also found that younger doctors were more likely to encourage pregnant women to try natural, vaginal deliveries after previously having a surgical delivery. The Caesarian procedure involves surgically removing the baby from the womb.

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#90240u0989 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - The Coast Guard says two fisherman were pulled to safety this morning when a Greek cargo ship collided with a small fishing boat off Nantucket Island, Massachusetts. The Coast Guard says the 600-foot vessel was en route from Boston to Norfolk, Virginia, when it collided with the fishing boat in heavy fog. A small boat from the freighter rescued two people who were tossed into the water from the fishing vessel.

Officials say animal cruelty charges were filed against a Pontiac, Michigan, man who allegedly buried alive a litter of six puppies in his backyard. A Michigan Humane Society worker saved five puppies when he raced to the home of Richard Greene when a neighbor reported the burial to authorities. The puppies and their mother were taken to a shelter where a spokesman says the four-day-old mixed breed puppies are in good condition

and will be placed in a new home.

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#90240u0995 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 28) UPI - Bulk selling prices reported by USDA:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 55-61.

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(AUG. 28) UPI -

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Ameriana Bancorp	Q	.12	10-5	9-21
AirTran Corp	Q	.04	9-6	8-24
BRE Properties	Q	.60	9-27	9-7
CB&T Financial Corp	Q	.12	9-20	9-6
CNB Bancshares	Q	.22	10-1	9-20
Commonwealth Bancshrs	Q	.22	10-25	9-28
FirsTier Financial	Q	.30	10-1	9-10
Friedman Industries	..	.04	11-16	10-5
Great Amer Mgmt & Inv	Q	.8359	8-29	8-24
Irwin Union	Q	.22	9-21	9-7
Kentucky Cent Life A	S	.20	9-28	9-13
Raymond James Fincl	Q	.06	10-8	9-10
San Diego Gas & Elec	Q	.67 1/2	10-15	9-10

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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#90240u1034 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
AKRON, Ohio (AUG. 28) UPI - The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. has stopped running four television commericails boasting its tires performance on wet raods to review the wording in the advertisements following a complaint from Michelin.

The current issue of Tire Business, published Monday, reported the French tire maker provided the Better Business Bureau's National Advertising Division with independent studies showing Goodyear tires were not the best

in wet-traction tests.

Goodyear, however, provided conflicting performance evaluations from consumer and specialist magazines.

Michelin and the Better Business Bureau said the wording in the television commercials implied Goodyear tires were the best in wet conditions, and the Better Business Bureau asked for objective product performance testing to back up that claim.

The commericials show drivers narrowly avoiding accidents on wet roads.

''One day it could all come down to a few inches,'' the commericials said. ''For those few inches, it's good to know you have Goodyear. That's why we say, 'They best tires in the world have Goodyear written all over them.'''

Goodyear said it disagreed with the concerns shown by the Better Business Bureau, but promised to evaluate the ads before airing them again.

''In a spirit of cooperation with the purposes of the (Better Business Bureau) advertising self-regulation procedures, Goodyear is reviewing the commercials,'' the company said. ''Before they run again, the commercials in question will be examined in light of the NAD (National Advertising Division) comments.''

Goodyear said the commercials likely will return soon.

''Wet traction is an outstanding feature of Goodyear tires and we intend for our customers to know about it,'' said Gene Culler, executive vice president of North American tire operations. ''It seems to have touched a raw nerve with the competition, and wet traction will continue to be emphasized in our advertising.''

-30- 2182
#90240u1040 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - mixed.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 62-65.

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#90240u1048 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
OMAHA (AUG. 28) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves 800; slaughter steers and heifers fairly active, 25 to 50 cents higher than Monday; slaughter cows weak to $1.00 lower; steers choice 2-3 few 4 1100-1375 lbs. 75.50-76.50, 2 loads commodity delivery 76.50-76.75, select and choice 2-3 1050-1250 lbs. 74.00-76.00, select 2-3 72.00-74.00; holsteins select near 1300 lbs. 67.00; heifers choice 2-3 few 4 975-1175 lbs.75.25-76.25, load expected high dressing percentage 76.75, select and choice 2-3 950-1100 lbs. 73.00-75.00, select 2-3 71.00-73.00; cows breaking few 55.00-56.00, boning few 54.50-56.00, canner and low cutter few 52.00-55.00.

Hogs 1,300; butchers 50 to 75 cents higher; No 1-3 230-260 lbs. 54.25-54.75, No 1-2 220-230 lbs. 54.00, No 2-3 260-280 lbs. 53.50-54.00, 260-270 lbs.extremes 54.50; sows not established, few opening sales steady to 50 cents lower; No 1-3 marjority unsold, few 350-500 lbs. 46.00-46.25, No 2-3 marjority unsold, opening sales 500-650 lbs. 52.00-52.75.

Sheep 100; slaughter lambs and ewes steady; shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 110-130 lbs. No 1-2 pelts 48.00-50.00, wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lbs. 47.00-49.00l; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good 13.00-17.00.

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#90240u1064 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
MIAMI (AUG. 28) UPI - Hurricane Gustav marched northward Tuesday up the open Atlantic with its 105-mph winds posing only a slight threat to the islands of the northeastern Caribbean.

Tropical Storm Hortense trailed about 1,100 miles to the northeast behind Gustav in the Atlantic.

All hurricane and tropical storm warnings for the Caribbean islands were dropped Monday when Gustav halted its westward course and turned to the north. But forecasters said the islands would still feel Gustav's passing.

''Some rough seas and swells are expected to affect portions of the extreme northeast Caribbean Sea today,'' said Miles Lawrence, a forecaster at the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

At noon EDT, Gustav was centered near latitude 20.8 north, longitude 58.0 west, or about 390 miles northeast of the British Caribbean island of Antigua. The hurricane was moving north at near 15 mph, and was expected to continue that motion through Wednesday.

Its maximum sustained winds were unchanged at 105 mph and little change in strength was expected. Hurricane-force winds extended up to 35 miles from the center and tropical storm-force winds extended up to 175 miles.

Hortense trailed Gustav across the Atlantic, mimicking its northward curve. Hortense strengthed slightly Tuesday, from 55 mph to 65 mph.

At noon EDT, Hortense was centered near latitude 22.6 north, longitude 44.1 west, or about 1,310 miles west northwest of the Cape Verde Islands.

Hortense was moving north-northwest near 10 mph and was expected to turn gradually toward the northwest during the next 24 hours, then slow down.

Tropical storm-force winds extended up to 115 miles from the center.

Forecasters said Gustav and Hortense were too far apart to affect each other.

Gustav is the seventh named storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season and the third to reach hurricane strength. Hortense is the eighth named storm.

The season runs from June 1 to Nov. 30, peaking in September.

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#90240u1100 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - U-S officials report what appears to be the first known death of an American detained by Iraq since the invasion of Kuwait. The State Department says the body of the man will be turned over to the U-S consulate in Baghdad. Details are sketchy, but the State Department says the man... believed to be in his mid-50's... apparently died of natural causes, possibly a heart attack. It's NOT clear when the man died in Basra after being taken from Kuwait.

A snag at OPEC talks in Austria. Today's OPEC meeting at Vienna was postponed for 24 hours, apparently to give Iran, Libya, and Iraq more time to study a plan to temporarily raise oil output in the Persian Gulf crisis. Iran walked out of the OPEC meeting to protest the accord. But a majority of cartel ministers agreed in principle to allow a temporary increase in oil production.

The U-S Embassy in Turkey says 52 American women and children permitted to leave Iraq are headed for the United States on a special plane that took off from a NATO base in southern Turkey. Most of the women and children are dependents of U-S Embassy workers in Kuwait.

Authorities in Gainesville, Florida, have found two more bodies near the

University of Florida campus. Authorities say the latest victims were discovered this morning in an apartment close to where the mutilated bodies of three young college women have been found in the past three days. Investigators say they can't confirm yet whether the murders are linked.

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FORT WORTH, Texas (AUG. 28) UPI - A federal judge, ruling on an American Airlines complaint, ordered United Airlines to change its flight schedules at Chicago's O'Hare Airport by the end of Tuesday.

After issuing the temporary restraining order, U.S. District Judge John McBride set a Sept. 4 hearing to decide wheter to issue a preliminary injunction against United.

In the suit filed Monday, American, United's main rival, contended that United's schedules were misleading and that United cannot legally depart or arrive at the times listed in the published schedules which are set to go into effect on Oct. 1.

Late Monday, United said it will comply with the court's order but also said it expected the Federal Aviation Administration to formally approve the scheules on Friday. It said the schedules had been carefully desgined to reduce the congestion and delay at O'Hare, the world's busiest airport.

American's lawsuit said United, along with other carriers at O'hare, is subject to what are called high density slot rules. The rules relate to restrictions on the number of flights from such busy airports as O'Hare.

Under the rules, airlines are assigned certain times of the day when each would take off or land which are called slots, American said.

Its suit said United had sought FAA concurrence to deviate from these constraints.

''United's schedule is misleading to the traveling public,'' said Anne McNamara, American's general counsel. ''Passengers will show up a the airport expecting to depart at the time listed in the timetable, only to find that the flight won't depart on schedule because United doesn't have a slot at the time.''

She said United is causing American ''irreparable harm by putting us at a competitive disadvantage.''

United currently has 733 slots at O'Hare and American 552 slots.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - The United Auto Workers Union today chose industry leader General Motors as its strike target. U-A-W President Owen Bieber is expected to discuss the choice of G-M over Ford and Chrysler at a news briefing in Detroit. The union has been negotiating since mid-July for new contracts that cover about 500-thousand domestic autoworkers. Current three-year contracts at all top three carmakers expire on September 14th.

The civil rights group Operation PUSH is pressing its battle with shoemaker Nike. Operation PUSH plans to distribute flyers in 12 cities today, urging consumers to boycott Nike products. The civil rights group wants the athletic shoe manufacturer to hire more minority workers and do business with black-owned companies.

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#90240u1141 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (AUG. 28) UPI - Rocket engineers Tuesday readied the repaired shuttle Columbia for the overnight start of its countdown to blastoff Saturday, setting the stage for NASA's first shuttle flight in four months.

The countdown was scheduled to begin at 1 a.m. EDT Wednesday for a predawn liftoff Saturday at 1:17 a.m. Columbia's seven-man crew is scheduled to fly to Florida from Houston Wednesday night for final preparations.

But space agency managers may elect to delay the launch a day or so to allow time to first move the shuttle Discovery to nearby launch pad 39B.

Discovery is scheduled for a high-priority Oct. 5 launch to carry the European-built Ulysses solar probe into space. NASA managers want to get the ship on its launch pad as soon as possible to avoid losing time in the event Columbia runs into problems getting off pad 39A.

But work inside the Vehicle Assembly Building to bolt Discovery to a pair of boosters and an external tank was running behind schedule Tuesday and if additional time is lost, Columbia's seven-man crew likely would be cleared for an on-time blastoff Saturday.

''It could go either way,'' said NASA spokeswoman Lisa Malone.

Columbia originally was scheduled for launch May 30, but the flight was delayed because of a hydrogen fuel leak in the ship's 17-inch-wide ''disconnect'' fitting, which allows the external tank to be jettisoned in space.

Another fuel leak grounded the shuttle Atlantis in July, prompting NASA managers to haul Columbia, equipped with a new disconnect fitting, back out to the launch pad for another try this week.

Engineers initially believed Atlantis and Columbia were victims of separate problems, and that may still be the case.

But engineers said Monday the hydrogen leak that grounded Atlantis apparently involved trouble with the ship's disconnect fitting, not a fuel line flange as originally believed.

Whether the fitting was damaged by tiny glass beads like those blamed for marring seals in Columbia's disconnect remains to be seen and additional tests are scheduled at the Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala., to resolve the matter once and for all.

In the meantime, engineers in Florida are pressing on toward Columbia's launch.

Carrying a $150 million battery of telescopes in its payload bay, Columbia's mission is devoted to the study of ultraviolet light from deep space, light from stars and galaxies that is blocked by Earth's atmosphere.

Data collected with the ''Astro-1'' spabe,observatory will enable astronomers back on Earth to later gain insights into the nature of quasars, as-yet-unseen black holes, supernovae, interstellar gas and dust, stellar evolution and other critical questions in modern astronomy, extending humanity's sight beyond the blue end of the visible-light spectrum.

To collect as much data as possible, Columbia's crew will work in two 12-hour shifts throughout the flight with mission commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, and John ''Mike'' Lounge, 43, responsible for keeping the shuttle shipshape and pointed in the right direction.

The shuttle observatory will be operated by astronauts Robert Parker, 53, and Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, along with civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39 and Samuel Durrance, 46. All four hold doctorates in astronomy.

Unlike the Hubble Space Telescope, which was launched from Discovery April 25, the four telescopes aboard Columbia will remain in the spaceplane's cargo bay throughout the flight, operated by the ship's crew much like a ground-based observatory.

And while the four instruments aboard Columbia are far more modest than the giant $1.5 billion Hubble, they nonetheless promise revolutionary results, giving astronomers their first detailed glimpse of what the universe looks like in the high-energy ultraviolet and X-ray regions of

the spectrum.

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#90240u1153 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 28) UPI - After a slow start, oil prices rebounded in early trading Tuesday as the market reassessed the prior day's plunge as an overaction to reports that Iraq had ordered its ship captains not to challenge the U.S. blockade, analysts said.

''Peace is not at hand,'' said Michael McDermott of Paine Webber Inc. in New York.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery had risen 80 cents by midday from Monday's close to $27.70 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The price was $6.16 a barrel above the level prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, which threw markets into turmoil.

Unleaded gasoline for September delivery was up 1.70 cents to 89.25 cents a gallon, while September home heating oil had gained 1.90 cents by midday to 80 cents a gallon.

McDermott said that the $4-a-barrel plunge in the price for WTI crude Monday took the market back to where it was about a week ago and that he expected WTI prices to return soon to a range of $30 a barrel to $31 a barrel.

The Merc started off slowly with traders waiting for sellers to follow through on Monday's price collapse, McDermott said.

''Once it saw the sellers were satisfied, the market started to buy,'' he said.

Randall Rothenberg of New York's Dean Witter Reynolds International Energy Futures Group said the buying surge was triggered by a story around 11:00 a.m. EDT that Iraq now considers Kuwait one of its provinces.

That drove WTI up over $27.40 a barrel, setting off buy orders at that resistance level, Rothenberg said. Buying then picked up steam, he said.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, where WTI barrels are bought and sold to the highest bidder, WTI was up 65 cents at midday to $27.55 a barrel.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold to the highest bidder, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - had only edged up 1 cent

to $25.27 a barrel.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent crude had risen 50 cents to $27.55 a barrel.

The market apparently had discounted and was unaffected by a majority of OPEC's oil ministers agreeing in Vienna to a temporary rise in output to offset production lost as a result of the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports.

A meeting Tuesday of members of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to formalize the accord was postponed to Wednesday, apparently to give the opposition of Iraq, Iran and Libya more time to study the proposal.

Iran, however, walked out of the cartel's meeting in protest, while Iraq and Libya had refused to send a delegation to the talks.

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#90240u1171 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) UPI - With the nation's mail system undergoing major technological changes that labor leaders fear will mean fewer employees, the U.S. Postal Service and leaders of its two largest unions opened contract talks Tuesday.

Both sides at the largely ceremonial opening session spoke softly, expressing hope that contract negotiations could be completed before the Nov. 20 expiration of the current pact.

Unions involved in the negotiations include the National Association of Letter Carriers, headed by Vincent Sombrotto, and the American Postal Workers Union, led by Moe Biller. Together, the unions represent some 600,000 workers.

''We expect a fair shake and we want an agreement bargained collectively '' Sombrotto and Biller said in a joint statement. ''We are willing to meet as often and as long as necessary to achieve that end.''

Postmaster General Anthony Frank was equally hopeful, saying he wanted the negotiations to end in a contract that ''will not go to arbitration,'' in which a contract would be imposed on both sides.

The heart of the negotiations is likely to be over the question of automation.

Traditionally, the mail service has been a labor-intensive industry, but increasingly, in an effort to cut costs and increase efficiency, the

postal service has begun to be automated. Frank made it clear postal service management would seek a contract enabling it to continue that process.

''Neither the nation's clerks and carriers nor the American people will be served by an agreement that limits the postal service's ability to respond quickly and effectively to changes in its business environment,'' Frank said.

The postal service has spent $5.3 billion on new technologies in the last 10 years and plans to spend another $13 billion in the coming five years.

At the same time, Frank said he would prefer the system achieve its higher efficiency without layoffs.

But postal service officials noted that 83 percent of its budget is taken up by labor costs and that efforts to reduce its deficit - projected at a little less than $1 billion this year - could hinge on workforce reductions.

Biller and Sombrotto said they would present ''a full range of contract proposals that cover all terms and conditions of employment, including a wage increase and continuation of cost-of-living adjustments.''

But neither side made public any of their specific contract proposals.

Currently, the average annual salary for a letter carrier or postal clerk is $28,984.

Earlier this year, the service applied for a rate increase that will increase the cost of a mailing first-class letter from 25 cents to 30 cents.

In fiscal 1989, the most recent year for which complete figures are available, the postal service handled 161.6 billion pieces of mail.

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#90240u1175 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

GENEVA (AUG. 28) UPI - The United States called Tuesday for free trade in production of movies and audio-visual productions, arguing that such works are multi-national and cannot be controlled through ongoing world trade talks.

But India and Egypt, which have two of the world's largest indigenous movie industries, rejected the call at a subcommittee of the ongoing ''Uruguay round'' of trade talks.

They said that classifying movies, audio visual and radio productions by nation was essential if their ''national content'' was to be protected.

The subcommittee was debating whether movies and audio visual productions should be included in the ongoing debate on services in the Uruguay round.

The United States' position, supported by Japan, was that since many movies are made in one country, financed by another, distributed by a third and acted by actors from half a dozen others, ''cultural exemptions'' to the rule of free trade could not apply.

Debate on the matter was scheduled to resume in September.

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#90240u1190 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (AUG. 28) UPI - U.S. tanks and other heavy armor rolled off ships and deployed in Saudi Arabia Tuesday, introducing a force that would be key to a ground war with Iraqi troops occupying neighboring Kuwait.

M-1 Abrams tanks, Bradley armored personnel carriers, 155mm self-propelled guns and a variety of tracked and wheeled support vehicles drove off two naval Fast Sealift ships which made the two-week voyage from Savannah, Ga.

U.S. officials would not disclose how many main battle tanks would be unloaded at the port, which also could not be named for security reasons.

But sources in Washington have said the initial deployments would number about 300 M-1s, and there are indications the figure could double in subsequent shipments.

Six other vessels were to disgorge other war materiel during the next 10 days, but Col. John Le Moyne said the first two vessels had delivered the bulk of the vehicles required for his 24th Infantry (Mechanized) Division, whose troops have been arriving by air.

''It gives the theater commander significant combat power,'' Le Moyne said when asked how the heavy armor may affect possible battle plans against Iraq. ''It allows him great flexibility to respond to whatever may come up.''

Most experts believe the introduction of the M-1, rated as the world's most powerful tank, would help give Washington the necessary ground forces to attack and hold ground if a decision were made to move against the estimated 170,000 Iraqi troops occupying Kuwait.

Although the American, Saudi and pan-Arab forces are outnumbered by Iraq's

overall million-strong military, analysts think the Iraqis would retreat if dealt assaults by U.S. naval and air power on both Iraq and Kuwait, with ground attacks concentrating only on retaking Kuwait.

Le Moyne predicted any combat would be ''classic desert warfare,'' involving great mobility, and last seen in the great World War II battles between the allies and the axis forces under German Field Marshall Rommel.

''We have been told that it is a peacekeeping mission, but that is how governments always start,'' said 2nd Lt. Christman Hampton, 23, an M-1 platoon leader from Birmingham, Ala. ''I think Bush wants a base here. He would be crazy to send us back.''

The armor rumbled off the ships and drove to a nearby yard, where the M-1s were loaded aboard trucks for transport closer to the Kuwaiti frontier because the 60-ton tanks would tear up Saudi Arabia's freeways.

Saddam has about 5,500 pieces of armor, much of it vintage Soviet equipment, but soldiers interviewed at random were confident of their chances against his top-range T-72s.

''This is the boss,'' said Sgt. Ronald Ruff, of Hinesville, Ga., patting his tan M-1. ''This is the cadillac model. The others are all Volkswagens.''

He said his laser-guided 105mm gun had about 90 percent hit accuracy against moving test targets.

The tank is low-slung and has reactive armor, meaning that charges set into outer plates explode if hit by a shell, deflecting the round from piercing and killing the four-man crew.

''Bring 'em on,'' Ruff said. ''We'll take 'em. We have better fire control and they can't touch us at nighttime. We can see them twice as far.''

Apart from the latest computer-aided weaponry, the M-1's turbine engine can propel it at speeds of 55 mph along a highway, and 25 mph on rough terrain, giving it great ''shock-mobility'' power.

Its greatest foes in Saudi Arabia may be heat and dust.

Saudi temperatures hit 120 F, but can be 150 F inside the turret.

Desert grit and grime could damage the engine and sensitive electronics, but Ruff said his tanks had been tested at a training school in the Mojave desert, and that filters could be cleaned in about three hours.

Army stevedores unloaded goods from the sauna-like interior of the USS

Capella, one of the converted container ships designed to ply the world's oceans to bring heavy equipment to crisis zones.

Captain David Teo said unloading each vessel would take about 24 hours, and that afterward he would return to the United States for another load.

Troops strapped a belt around the rotor base of one Apache helicopter gunship, which was then hoisted out of the hold onto the dock.

''That's called the Jesus lock,'' one officer said of the lifting device. ''When it breaks, you say 'Oh Jesus.'''

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#90240u1192 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 28) UPI - Share prices rose on the London International stock exchange Tuesday with the market reflecting strong performances by Wall Street and Tokyo.

The blue-chip Financial Times Stock Exchange 100-share index gained 39.7 points to 2,126.1, after retreating late in the session from a high for the day of 2,133.6.

The narrower Financial Times 30 index ended at 1,657.4, up 40.5 points.

Volume was a moderate 281.6 million shares, down from 347.7 million Monday.

Stocks prices shot up in London following rallies in overseas stock markets Monday, when the London market was closed for a holiday.

''It's a general euphoria markup'' in London, one dealer said.

The sharp price rise was not the result of buying pressure but a general markup of stocks, dealers said.

Institutional investors kept to the sidelines, however, because of the continued uncertainty over the Middle East situation and were likely to move back into the market only after the crisis is over, traders said.

Oil issues fell with the drop in crude prices, but fared better than expected, market analysts said. British Airways gained slightly with lower crude prices lowering costs, with shares rising 19 cents to $3.26, while British Petroleum shares dipped 12 cents to $6.79.

Speyhawk shares plunged $1.74 to $3.39 as speculators expressed their frustration over a yet-to-materialize expected bid from Sweden.

Gilt-edged securities were around five-eighths of a point firmer toward

the close.

Argyll Group shares gained 18 cents to $4.58 on talk of possible litigation against Guinness Plc after its former chairman and three others were convicted of fraud and related charges in connection with a share support scheme that helped Guinness beat out Argyll to take over the Scotch whiskey group Distillers.

Elsewhere in Europe, share prices on the Frankfurt stock exchange closed sharply lower on strong profit taking following Monday's 6.1 percent gain.

The key weighted German stock index, or Dax, lost 36.91 points to 1,617.89 - a 2.2 percent loss.

Dealers said the slide was in reaction to Monday's strong advance, when the Dax closed at 1,654.49. They also cited investors' nervousness in view of the Oct. 3 reunification of the two Germanies, which many observers feel could result in economic problems.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - New York City's Department of Consumer Affairs charged 11 car rental agencies including Hertz and Avis with unlawful discrimination against young drivers and non-credit card holders, the department's head said Tuesday.

Mark Green, the city's consumer affairs commissoner, said of the 51 outlets of the agencies investigated, all were charged with one violation or more. In addition to Hertz and Avis, the agencies charged with violations were Budget, A & L, Dollar, National, Agency, Not Nu, Payless, Snappy and Thrifty.

''This undercover sweep documents that consumer abuse at car rentals is not exceptional but customary, Green said. ''One hundred percent of the places investigated tried to take customers for a ride.

''When you enter a car rental agency and are told you must own a credit card and be 21 years of age or older, you've been lied to twice,'' he said. ''New York State General Business Law says that a licensed driver 18 years of age or older is entitled to rent a car, and that a credit card is not required as long as a driver is credit-worthy.''

Green said three of the agencies required not only one credit card but two.

The agencies may be fined up to $500 per violation, including failure to adequately display legally required signs informing consumers of their rights. Some of the outlets may be charged with as many as 10 or more

violations, Green said.

The worst offenders, according to Green, were Dollar and A&L, with violations at nine outlets each, and Budget and Hertz, with violations at six outlets. Five of Avis' outlets were named.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - NBC took eight of the top 10 spots in the ratings last week, with two of them going to previews of new shows for the fall season, it was reported Tuesday.

Top of the list, however, went to CBS's ''60 Minutes,'' which was primarily devoted to Iraq-related segments.

It also was the first week of Fox's bold ploy of pitting ''The Simpsons'' opposited ''The Cosby Show'' on NBC, although both shows are still in reruns and original ''Simpsons'' are not expected until October.

The ''Cosby'' rerun tied for third; the ''Simpsons'' rerun was in 54th place.

The ''Cosby'' coattails pulled the preview of ''Ferris Bueller'' into sixth place, the highest-ranked of the new NBC shows being presented in what the network calls its ''double pump'' strategy.

Right behind ''Ferris'' was ''Parenthood'' in seventh place, which did much better than its leadin, the preview of ''Hull High,'' which tied for 29th.

''Parenthood'' was followed on the air by ''Lifestories,'' which finished in 31st. The preview of ''Working It Out'' was unable to hold onto the leadin audience provided by ''Unsolved Mysteries.'' ''Mysteries'' tied with ''Cosby'' for third, while ''Working It Out'' was in 32nd.

The NBC numbers crunchers found the network experienced a 12 percent increase in ratings for the week, compared to summer viewing from July 2 to Aug. 19.

''60 Minutes,'' in first place for the second week in a row, and No. 2 for the two weeks before that, drew its audience by using two new pieces related to the Persian Gulf story - a report from Steve Kroft on chemical warfare and another from Morley Safer on the Soviets and the crisis. The show also aired a portion of Dan Rather's interview with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

There also was a repeat of Mike Wallace's report on women in military

combat.

The news magazine has suffered no summer doldrums - since Memorial Day ''60 Minutes'' has been out of the top 10 only twice.

In the Sunday movie battle, CBS was the winner with a repeat of the TV movie ''Fatal Judgment,'' which tied for 21st place. ABC's theatrical film ''From Russia With Love,'' tied for 43rd, while NBC's repeat of ''I Know My First Name Is Steven,'' part 1, tied for 51st.

Even with the top rated show of the week and the top Sunday movie, CBS could not beat ABC, whose only entry in the top 10 was ''Roseanne'' in 10th place.

In ratings for the week end Aug. 26, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., NBC remained in the lead with a 10.5 rating and a 20 share. ABC was second with a 9.4 rating and an 18 share and CBS was last with a 9.1 rating and a 17 share.

NBC was the winner on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday nights. CBS won Sunday and ABC held Friday.

In the 49-week season-to-date competition, NBC has a 13.0 rating and a 23 share, followed by ABC with an 11.7 rating and a 20 share, and CBS with an 11.1 rating and a 19 share.

ABC's ''World News Tonight'' with Peter Jennings was in the No. 1 spot for the 33rd consecutive week with a 10.4 rating and a 22 share. ''CBS Evening News'' with Dan Rather was a close second with a 10.2 rating and a 21 share, while ''NBC Nightly News'' with Tom Brokaw was third with an 8.9 rating and a 19 share.

Each ratings point represents about 921,000 households. A share is the percentage of TV sets in use that are tuned to a particular show or network.

The top 10 programs for the week ending Sunday, Aug. 26, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., were:

1. 60 Minutes (CBS)
2. Cheers (NBC)
3. (tie) The Cosby Show (NBC)
4. Unsolved Mysteries (NBC)
5. Empty Nest (NBC)
6. Ferris Bueller (NBC)
7. Parenthood (NBC)
8. Golden Girls (NBC)
9. Matlock (NBC)

10. Roseanne (ABC)

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(AUG. 28) UPI - Florida police found the bodies of a young man and woman today in an apartment near the University of Florida campus- the same area where three female college students were found slain. Police will NOT say if the deaths of the couple were linked to the brutal slayings of three women found on Sunday and yesterday. All the bodies were found in private apartments in southwest Gainesville, two miles from campus. State University Chancellor Charles Reed says the killings may be the work of a serial killer.

Auto industry leader General Motors was picked today as this year's strike target by the United Auto Workers union. G-M had been viewed as a likely target because the union's membership and future have been most severely challenged by relentless plant closings at the Number One automaker. U-A-W president Owen Bieber is expected to discuss the choice of G-M over Ford and Chrysler later today at a news briefing in Detroit.

Look for an announcement tomorrow on Japan's role in confronting Iraq. Japan's Foreign Ministry set a deadline for tomorrow to decide on its response to requests for contributions to the multi-national force. Japan is expected to send medical specialists to Saudi Arabia to aid U-S-led multi-national forces facing Iraq. But Japan says it needs more time to consider Washington's request that Iraqi diplomats be kicked out of Tokyo.

There's word from Lebanon today that Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite will be the next hostage to be released. The communist-run Voice of the People radio station in Beirut quotes well-informed sources as saying Waite will be freed soon... after spending nearly 53 months in captivity. However, the radio says the release of six American hostages will be delayed because of the U-S intervention in the Gulf region.

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#90240u1228 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
AUSTIN, TX (AUG. 28) UPI - Texas Railroad Commission member John Sharp urged a consortium of energy companies Tuesday to build an offshore oil terminal, saying it would lessen the chances of damaging coastal oil spills.

''If you don't have a dog that's housebroken, don't let him in the house '' he said. ''What we're trying to do is solve the problem of the dog getting in the house.''

But a spokesman for Oklahoma-based Phillips Pipeline Co. said the

consortium was considering the offshore terminal primarily because of Texas port congestion - not for environmental reasons.

''Our position is the main thrust of the project is to reduce vessel traffic congestion in ports,'' said George Minter, a Phillips spokesman in Bartlesville, Okla.

Phillips is the lead company in a 16-member consortium that is considering building the offshore facility. The companies were scheduled to meet Sept. 5 in Houston to weigh their options.

''We haven't committed to it,'' Minter said. ''There are a lot of unknowns out there. We're trying to determine how much it will cost, when it can be built and how much volume (of oil) can come in.''

Minter said the consortium, which included some foreign businesses, hoped to make a final decision by early 1991. He declined to identify others involved in the project, but said they included major oil companies.

One of the options being considered was a terminal 27 miles off the coast of Freeport. Crude oil would be brought to shore through a pipeline that would be linked to refineries in Texas and Oklahoma.

The facility would cost between $600 million and $1.2 billion and have the capacity to collect up to 2 million barrels of oil daily - about the amount currently passing through Texas ports.

Sharp said the offshore port would dramatically decrease the chances of harbor accidents and coastal oil spills.

''In the past year, Texans have had to watch almost helplessly as more than 5 million gallons of crude oil or petroleum products have been spilled along the Texas Gulf coast,'' he said. ''The pictures of tar balls on the beach and dying birds and fish coated with oil have been common on our television sets throughout this summer.''

A June 8 fire and explosion aboard the tanker Mega Borg spilled nearly 4 million gallons of oil in the Gulf of Mexico off the Texas coast. And about 700,000 gallons of oil were dumped into Galveston Bay in the July 28 collision of a tanker and a string of barges.

Sharp said there have been some innovative and effective spill response plans discussed, but he added, ''It is time we address not only the symptoms, but also go after a cure.''

Since Texas does not have an offshore or deepwater port to accomodate supertankers, oil is transferred from tankers to smaller vessels some 20 to 60 miles offshore in a process called lightering.

The state began considering as early as 1973 the construction of a superport that would have been about 30 miles from Freeport.

Gov. Bill Clements determined in 1980 that such a superport would benefit Texas refineries by reducing crude oil transportation costs, but he said it was not economically feasible for the state.

The 1980 plan called for the state to construct an offshore port through revenue bonds, but Sharp said there was ''no talk'' of state involvement in the Phillips-led project.

Sharp said such a facility was now feasible for energy companies because oil prices have risen, domestic production has declined and refinery facilities were more concentrated.

''The voice of public officials ... ought to be that this is not something simply that we are urging you (oil companies) to construct, it is something that we are almost insisting that you construct,'' Sharp said.

Several Gulf states considered building superports during the 1970s energy shortages, but the only one constructed was the Louisiana Offshore Oil Port - some 20 miles south of the barrier island of Grand Isle.

Sharp said the Louisiana superport has not had a major oil spill in its nine years of operation.

The three-member Texas Railroad Commission regulates the state's petroleum and transportation industries.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - The civil rights group Operation PUSH moved its fight with Nike into high gear with a campaign for consumer support in its boycott of goods made by the athletic shoemaker. A PUSH spokeswoman says the group will distribute flyers in 12 cities as a part of a boycott of the Oregon company to protest its minority hiring practices. Nike officials say the boycott has had little or NO effect on sales, with sales particularly good in Chicago where PUSH is based.

In the Philippines, President Aquino today rejected demands by rebel soldiers for her resignation. Aquino issued a statement calling the demands ''an insult.'' The statement came on the third anniversary of the August 28th, 1987, coup attempt. Aquino has crushed six coup attempts, including the bloody December uprising that lasted nine days and left 119 people dead and more than 500 wounded.

Officials in Thailand report that a special charter flight returned 52 Vietnamese boat people to their homeland today... the first large group to leave Bangkok in a U-N-supervised repatriation program. The U-N High Commissioner for Refugees says the Vietnamese sent home were mostly young men ruled ineligible for re-settlement because there's NO evidence that they had a genuine fear of persecution in Vietnam. The boat people originally fled to Thailand, hoping to start new lives in the West.

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#90240u1294 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 28) UPI - General Motors Corp., chosen by the United Auto Workers Tuesday as the target company in this year's contract talks, said it welcomed the opportunity to shape an agreement suitable to all parties with a stake in the giant automaker's success.

UAW President Owen Bieber, at a Detroit news briefing, declined to discuss why the union chose GM over Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp., but stressed that the decision by the union's board was unanimous.

''We weighed everything and came to the conclusion that we should go to General Motors,'' Bieber said after informing the union's Ford and Chrysler councils at the Westin Hotel.

The UAW, which had been bargaining with all three carmakers since last month before getting the first company proposals last week, will now concentrate its efforts at industry leader GM with about three weeks left in the three-year contracts expiring at all three top carmakers on Sept. 14.

Those contracts cover over 500,000 U.S. auto workers.

The union traditionally chooses a target company where it concentrates bargaining during the final phase of negotiations, while talks at the other two automaker shift into low gear.

Once an agreement is ratified, that contact is used as a ''pattern'' which the union presses the other two automakers to sign.

Being the target also allows a carmaker to shape an agreement that undermines the competitiveness of the other two. But it is also the company the UAW is most likely to strike, should there be no agreement in sight.

GM had been viewed as the likely target because the union's membership and future have been most severely challenged by relentless plant closings at the No. 1 automaker.

Experts also believe that newly elected GM Chairman Robert Stempel will seek to avoid a strike at almost any cost, as the automaker introduces a wide variety of new models geared to raise its share of the U.S. vehicle market profitably.

When asked if the union thought it could get more meaningful job security language written into the new contract, Bieber said job security ''is not the only piece in the agreement.

''I would underscore again that we are seeking a pattern agreement,'' he said. ''When we weighed all of that... our decision was to go to General Motors.''

Bieber said he expected to join the talks at GM by Friday. But the spotlight will be on UAW Vice President Stephen P. Yokich, the union's most experienced bargainer and head of the union's GM Dept.

Yokich, 54, is one of the union's most outspoken top officials and i known for his often fierce temperment and wry humor. Considered Bieber's hUir-apparent, he headed the union's Ford Department during the last round of national bargaining in 1987, where Ford was the target.

Leading GM's bargaining efforts is Alfred S. Warren, Jr., vice president of Industrial Relations. Warren, 64, headed his first national contract talks in 1982, when the union declined to choose a target. This is his fourth and final round before he retires in April.

Some industry experts say the UAW will be unable to negotiate an agreement with meaningful job security provisions, and that pattern bargaining is all but dead except for wage parity and benefits.

''It's going to be a paper pattern at best, vixh the union cutting the best cut deal it can,'' Sean McAlindin, a research manager and automotive economist at University of Michigan's Transportation Research Institute.

''We expect one fuzzy agreement that allows GM to reduce its workforce further by another 50,000 workers. That will be hacked out by early October, with the possibility of selective strikes.''

McAlindin said GM managed to cut 45,000 jobs during the last three years under the current agreement by calling four assembly plants ''indefinitely idled'' instead of closed.

Unlike other industries, automakers have appeared eager for the chance to be named the target. All three have attempted to lure the union into choosing them because it allows them to bargain a labor contract that fits their unique needs.

Industry analyst Jay Leopold, of Legg Mason Wood Walker Inc. in Baltimore, said he believes there has been some momentum built up by GM and the union settling a parts plant strike in Flint this month that largely concerned the future loss of jobs.

But most analysts say GM must still close more car assembly plants to match production to demand.

''They must find a way in the wording so that they can,'' Leopold said. ''Maybe it will be so workers are guaranteed a job in another plant, or so that they can be used to replace workers retiring at other plants.''

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) UPI - The International Monetary Fund Tuesday announced its first loan to El Salvador in eight years, a $50 million, 12-months financial operation to support the government's economic program.

The fund had not given a loan to the war-torn Central American nation since 1982.

An IMF loan helps a nation's finances and serves as a good-housekeeping seal on its economic programs, opening the doors to other multilateral and private lending.

The 1990-91 economic program of Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani, which the IMF $50 million loan will support, aims at lowering inflation and strengthening the balance of payments, creating the conditions for a restoration of growth of production and employment, the IMF said.

The key to the government's program is a narrowing of the overall deficit of the public sector in line with availability of external financing, while allowing a reduction in public sector net domestic bank debt and the repayment of internal and external arrears.

The fund noted that the Salvadoran government implemented structural measures aimed at raising the efficiency of the economy, including the adoption of a more liberal exchange system; reforms in the trade, fiscal and financial sectors; elimination of price controls and a reduction of government involvement in productive activities.

Economic performance in El Salvador over the period 1985-89 has been affected by armed conflict, adverse external developments, and natural catastrophes

Shortcomings in the implementation of economic policies, reflected in falling public sector revenue, insufficiently restrained credit policy,

exchange and trade restrictions, and an increasingly overvalued exchange rate also contributed to the sluggish performance during that period, the IMF said.

Domestic savings remained low, inflationary pressures were strong, and the external position deteriorated, resulting in an accumulation of external payments arrears, the fund said.

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KOLOLI, GAMBIA (AUG. 28) UPI - Negotiations to establish an interim government in Liberia resumed Tuesday without representatives of the country's three warring factions, raising doubts that a peaceful settlement to the civil war can be negotiated, diplomatic sources said.

The delegates to the talks, which are being held under the auspices of the Economic Community of West African States, discussed the changes that must be made to the Liberian Constitution in order to legally establish an interim presidency, according to conference participants.

A draft agenda prepared by a technical committee of the Economic Community of West African States concluded recently that an interim government can be formed with ''minimum disruption'' of the current Liberian Constitution which was enacted by President Samuel Doe.

Among the changes proposed are the elimination of articles requiring that candidates for the presidency must own at least $25,000 in property, sources close to the talks said.

Under the plan being debated, military power would remain in the hands of the Economic Community of West African States, which last week sent a 3,000-man peacekeeping force to try and impose a cease-fire in the 8-month-old Liberian civil war.

The force is composed of soldiers from Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Guinea, Gambia, and Ghana.

But diplomatic sources said reports of heavy fighting last weekend between the peacekeeping contingent and soldiers loyal to the National Patriotic Front guerrillas led by Charles Taylor would make implementation of any eventual peace plan more difficult.

Perhaps afraid the talks may fail, Economic Community of West African States Secretary-General Abass Bundu appeared to distance his group from the negotiations Tuesday.

''This is an all-Liberian affair. I do not even want to go into that room

'' he told reporters gathered in a courtyard as he pointed to the hall where the delegates were meeting.

''We do not want to form a government. We are here to facilitate their talks and let them form their own government,'' he added.

Diplomatic observers said the fact that the warring factions have thus far refused to participate in the talks could mean that any agreement on a cease-fire or the establishment of an interim government until elections can be held could very well be ignored by either Taylor or Doe, or both.

Prince Johnson, who led a second rebel faction until he joined forces with Doe last week, had been expected to attend the meetings at the Kairaba Beach Hotel in Kololi, 13 miles west of the Gambian capital of Banjul, but he has thus far failed to show up.

Taylor himself has shown little interest in the negotiations, although a delegation representing his movement has met several times with Gambian President Dawda Jawara.

Jawara, who has been working hard to find an end to the killing in Liberia urged delegates to the opening session of the talks Monday to ''end the nightmare.''

''History will not look kindly on your failure,'' he said.

The participants in the Kololi talks include the Liberian Action Party, which contends it won the 1985 presidential election it says was stolen by Doe. Also present are the Group of Concerned Liberians in the United States, mainly composed of former diplomats who served in several Liberian administrations.

Royal Wharton, a U.S. diplomat on his way to serve as a political officer at the American Embassy in Monrovia, is also attending the talks as an unofficial observer, according to sources close to the negotiations.

The war in Liberia, which began last December when Taylor's forces crossed the border from the neighboring Ivory Coast, has been at a stalemate for about two months although the guerrillas control most of the countryside and parts of the capital of Monrovia.

Doe, who took power 10 years ago in a bloody coup, has consistently refused U.S. offers to help him leave the West African country and has remained in his seaside palace in Monrovia, protected by several hundred loyal troops.

Several months ago Doe called new elections for next year and pledged not to run again, but the rebels rejected the move as too little, too late and

have demanded his immediate ouster.

Nearly 500,000 Liberian refugees have fled to three countries next to the strife-torn nation, a fact-finding group from the Organization of African Unity reported during the weekend.

More members of the Gio and Mano tribes that supported Taylor have been fleeing Liberia because Doe's troops have targeted them for reprisal massacres, officials said. Tens of thousands of Liberians have died, most victims of massacres.

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COLUMBUS, Ind. (AUG. 28) UPI - The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait is affecting more than prices at the gas pumps in Indiana.

Cummins Engine Co. officers said Tuesday that a reduction in demand for North American heavy-duty truck engines, discussed in the company's second-quarter earnings report, has gotten worse because of economic uncertainty and recent developments in the Middle East.

In response to the substantial change in order rates, Cummins said it will reduce engine assembly to one shift at its headquarters facility in Columbus beginning Sept. 10.

Ann Smith, director of public relations for Cummins, said the engine assembly division currently was operating on the first and third shifts. After Sept. 10, the 145 workers assigned to the third shift will be reassigned to other manufacturing operations in Columbus and Seymour.

Company officers said they were not announcing a layoff.

The company recently took other measures to reduce costs, including voluntary layoffs at the Columbus plant and shutdowns on July 20 and Aug. 10. A shutdown day also is scheduled for Aug. 31, Smith said.

She said the contract Cummins signed with the diesel workers' union in June allows employees to take a week off work unpaid.

''The purpose of the voluntary time off is to avoid layoffs,'' Smith said, adding that many workers had signed up for the program. She said she did not have exact figures on the number of workers who had participated in the option.

Cummins officers said the company would continue to adjust to changing market conditions. Smith would not say whether that meant more job shifts or layoffs.

Cummins is a major producer of diesel engines, components and power systems for trucks and industrial equipment.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, surrounding himself with foreigners in another televised appearance with Westerners under his control, Tuesday proposed a TV debate with President Bush and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

''For my part, being responsible here in Iraq, I'm prepared now for direct talks with President Bush and Mrs. Thatcher immediately,'' Saddam said. ''And if they wish ... Let's have a debate on television for the whole world to see.''

Shortly after Saddam spoke, the State Department reported his government has rounded up nine more Americans during the past 24 hours, bringing to 70 the confirmed number of Americans in the custody of the Iraqi authorities.

As Bush interrupted his Maine vacation to meet with congressional leaders in Washington, the State Department blamed Iraq for the death of an unidentified American hostage who suffered a heart attack in the Iraqi port city of Basra.

''Clearly, being used as a human shield and being deprived of one's liberty is a source of severe stress,'' said State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler.

The State Department said the Iraqi government had promised to turn the man's body over to the American consulate in Baghdad. It was not clear when the man, a private citizen believed in to be in his mid-50s, died.

Iraq continued to put out mixed signals Tuesday. While Saddam released a British family, his government announced it was designating occupied Kuwait as another Iraqi province.

In what the Iraqi News Agency described a ''the most beautiful gift,'' Saddam gave permission for the unidentified British family to return home after he apparently met with them. The report said the family would be allowed to leave ''on the occasion of the family celebrating the birthday of its child Rachel.''

The British Foreign Office said it was investigating the report and could not indepently confirm it. And Saudi Foreign Minister Saud al Faisal said the move was the latest measure designed to abort hope for peace.

Shortly after the announcement, Iraqi television broadcast a meeting between Saddam and a group of unidentified Westerners under Iraqi control.

In his second such appearance in a week, Saddam mixed threats against the United States and its allies with appeals for a peaceful resolution to the conflict.

''If war were to come about ... Iraq would lose sons, women and children, and the aggressive countries would also lose their own men, women and children,'' Saddam said.

''So if the United States were to attack our installations in which we have women, children and civilians accomodated, these people would be killed,'' Saddam said, leaving it unclear if he was referring to Iraqis or foreigners believed held at strategic installations as a human shield against attack.

A government-run Iraqi newspaper has described foreign nationals detained in Iraq and Kuwait against their will as a weapon ''in the battle of history.''

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, leading Arab efforts to secure Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait, begged Hussein for ''just one word (that) would save us from catastrophes for years to come.''

Syrian President Hafez Assad and Mubarak met in the latest round of diplomatic efforts to prevent a Middle East war. Jordan's King Hussein completed talks in Tunisia and traveled to Algeria as part of his personal efforts to find an ''Arab solution'' to end the crisis.

Several U.S. legislators also held talks on the Gulf crisis with Mubarak Tuesday, including Republican Senate leader Robert Dole, R-Kan., and Georgia Democrat Sam Nunn, chairman of the Senate Armed Forces Committee.

The diplomatic efforts came as the U.S. fleet in the Red Sea intensified the interception of ships heading toward Jordan to make sure the U.N.-mandated economic embargo against Iraq was not violated.

Iraq has reportedly ordered its tankers not to run the U.S.-led blockade in a move Western diplomats said indicated Saddam's attempt to avoid a military confrontation.

Shipping sources in the Jordanian port of Aqaba said U.S. warships Tuesday prevented a Chinese cargo vessel from entering the Gulf of Aqaba. The sources said the ship was to unload ''general cargo'' bound for Jordan and Iraq. No details were available and the report could not be independently confirmed.

''Last week cargo was slipping through,'' one shipping source said. ''Now they (U.S. naval vessels) seem to be tightening up quite a bit.''

Assad and Mubarak met for five hours Tuesday in the Mediterranean city of Alexandria and discussed ways to reach a ''suitable Arab solution to the Iraqi-Kuwaiti crisis with the aim of preventing a terrible catastrophe from happening,'' Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported.

Mubarak said he hoped Iraq would not ''commit provocative actions'' that would compel a strike by foreign countries whose citizens Iraq holds. In answering one question, Mubarak reiterated an earlier proposal and said no countries could oppose the reciprocal withdrawal of Iraqi and foreign forces, with their replacement by an all-Arab force.

''I would be the first to stand against the foreign presence in the area if Iraq withdrew from Kuwait,'' Mubarak said. ''All Arabs will have one stand against the foreign presence when Saddam gets his troops out of Kuwait.''

The Baghdad government announced the oil-rich occupied state had become the 19th administrative province of Iraq. Iraq insists its has historical rights to Kuwait and British colonialism was to blame for the division.

The Iraqi News Agency Tuesday again published Saddam's Aug. 12 initiative.

In his proposal, Saddam called for the withdrawal of Israel from the occupied Arab territories and Syria from Lebanon, resolution to Iraqi and Iranian territorial disputes and subsequent ''arrangements for the case of Kuwait.'' American and other foreign troops also would withdraw from the region and the economic sanctions would end under Saddam's plan.

Calls for the Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and release of foreigners held by Saddam are the two primary points U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar plans to concentrate on during his talks Thursday in Amman with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.
In other developments:

-The Iraqi government told the U.S. envoy in Baghdad Tuesday that it will retaliate for the State Department's expelling 36 Iraqi diplomats from the United States. The State Department said its representative, Joseph Wilson was told by Iraqi Foreign Ministry officials that Iraq's action was directly related to the State Department expulsion order.

-In Vienna, the Iranian oil minister walked out of OPEC talks as delegations from 10 other countries put the final touches on an agreement to allow a temporary rise in oil output. Belief that some OPEC countries would raise output contributed to a $4 drop in crude oil prices Monday on

the New York Merchantile Exchange.

-The Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman said the Soviet Union does not plan to follow the U.S. example and expel any Iraqi diplomats even though the Soviets were forced to evacuate their embassy in Kuwait. The United States has ordered the expulsion of 36 Iraqis, including seven accredited diplomats.

-Lloyds of London said Gulf of Aden and Red Sea ports had applied, effective Tuesday, a ''extra risk surcharge'' of $700 for 20-foot containers, $1,400 for 40-foot containers and $35 per metric ton on part container loads and breakbulk cargoes. Breakbulk is any cargo not shipped in bulk or generally shipments besides grain or oil.

Two ships on Monday were inspected by U.S. vessels, Lloyds Casualty Reporting Service said. But Lloyds retracted part of an earlier dispatch on activities by the U.S. naval forces and said it had incorrectly reported that a U.S. vessel prevented the French container ship CGM Paris from entering the Gulf of Aqaba on Sunday.

Scandutch Operations, the vessel's operator, told Lloyds Tuesday ''at no time was the vessel approached or contacted by the U.S. Navy, let alone denied entry to the Gulf of Aqaba.'' A scheduled Aqaba call was cancelled by the operator, Scandutch reported.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - The Commerce Department is reporting a lower U-S merchandise trade deficit for the second quarter of this year. The department says the U-S red ink slipped 14-point-one percent, to 22-point-six-BILLION dollars. The report attributes the decline to lower imported oil prices and record exports. The second-quarter deficit figure is the lowest level since the fourth quarter of 1983, when it was 21-point-three-BILLION dollars.

The State Department says the body of an American detainee in Iraq is to be turned over to U-S officials in Baghdad. Officials say the man is believed to be a U-S private citizen in his mid-50's who died in the Iraqi city of Basra after being taken from Kuwait after Iraq's August 2nd invasion. The State Department says it was told that the man died of natural causes, possibly a heart attack.

Syrian leader Assad is in Egypt for talks with President Mubarak in the latest round of top-level Arab diplomatic efforts to end the Persian Gulf crisis. The Syrian-Egyptian meeting follows an earlier meeting between Mubarak and some U-S senators, including Georgia Democrat Sam Nunn and Republican minority leader Robert Dole of Kansas. Mubarak is heavily

involved in diplomatic moves to avert war in the region.

The University of Florida beefed up security and warned students NOT to walk alone on campus after police found the bodies of a young woman and her boyfriend in a Gainesville apartment. So far this week a total of five people have been found killed in apartments near the campus. Three young women found on Sunday and Monday had been mutilated and killed. Officials have NOT linked the deaths of couple today with the other victims.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 28) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.81	2.81 1/2	2.77 1/2	2.79 3/4	2.81 1/2
Dec	2.96	2.96 1/2	2.92 1/2	2.95 1/4	2.96 1/2
Mar	3.05 1/2	3.06 3/4	3.03 1/4	3.06 1/4	3.06 1/2
May	3.10 1/2	3.12 1/2	3.09	3.12	3.11 1/2
Jly	3.14	3.17	3.13	3.16 1/2	3.15
Sep	3.18	3.19	3.20	3.20	3.20
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.51	2.54	2.51	2.53 3/4	2.52
Dec	2.43 1/2	2.45	2.42	2.43 1/4	2.44 1/4
Mar	2.51 1/4	2.53 1/4	2.50 1/4	2.51 3/4	2.52 1/4
May	2.57 1/2	2.59 1/4	2.57	2.58 1/2	2.59 3/4
Jly	2.61 1/4	2.63 1/2	2.61	2.62 1/2	2.62 3/4
Sep	2.58	2.58 1/4	2.57 1/2	2.57 1/2	2.58
Dec	2.56	2.58	2.55 3/4	2.57 1/2	2.58
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.11 1/2	1.12 1/4	1.07 1/2	1.08 1/2	1.13 1/2
Dec	1.24 1/4	1.25	1.20 1/2	1.21 1/4	1.26 1/4
Mar	1.35 1/2	1.36 1/4	1.32	1.33 1/4	1.37 1/4
May	1.42	1.42	1.39 1/2	1.39	1.43 1/2
Jly	1.47 1/2	1.47 1/2	1.45	1.45	1.48 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	6.18 1/2	6.20 3/4	6.14 1/4	6.19 3/4	6.19
Nov	6.33 1/2	6.35 1/2	6.28 1/2	6.34 1/2	6.33 1/2
Jan	6.47	6.48 3/4	6.42	6.48 1/4	6.47 1/2
Mar	6.60 1/2	6.62	6.56	6.60 1/2	6.61
May	6.66 1/2	6.70	6.64	6.69 3/4	6.68 3/4
Jly	6.73	6.75 1/2	6.70 1/2	6.75 3/4	6.74 1/2
Aug	6.66 1/2	6.68	6.65	6.67	6.69

Sep	6.48	6.49	6.46	6.46	6.49
Nov	6.35	6.37	6.32 1/2	6.33 3/4	6.35 1/4

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Sep	24.36	24.51	24.09	24.32	24.36
Oct	24.33	24.49	24.05	24.27	24.34
Dec	24.50	24.70	24.10	24.32	24.52
Jan	24.65	24.75	24.30	24.40	24.64
Mar	24.78	24.90	24.40	24.50	24.70
May	24.90	25.00	24.60	24.65	24.82
Jly	25.00	25.09	24.70	24.77	25.00
Aug	24.90	24.90	24.65	24.60	24.65
Sep	24.60	24.60	24.40	24.40	24.45

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	179.40	180.70	177.70	180.40	179.90
Oct	181.10	182.70	179.80	182.40	181.80
Dec	185.00	187.00	183.50	186.60	185.80
Jan	186.80	188.50	185.30	188.30	187.00
Mar	189.00	191.00	188.00	191.50	190.50
May	191.00	192.00	189.50	192.70	191.70
Jly	191.90	193.50	191.50	193.80	192.90
Aug	191.20	192.50	190.50	192.20	192.00
Sep	190.50	192.00	190.00	192.00	191.50

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(AUG. 28) UPI - At least 30 people died in floods and landslides resulting from heavy monsoon rains that isolated Nepal's capital at Katmandu from the rest of the Himalayan kingdom. All roads to the capital were blocked by huge landslides yesterday. 17 Westerners were among those rescued by helicopter from a town where they had been marooned by rising flood waters described as the worst in nearly 10 years.

A quake-ravaged northern Philippine town was struck by yet another blow when a landslide hit a dormitory, killing 12 high school students. Officials say the landslide buried the Kalahan Academy at Santa Fe, 110 miles north of Manila. The Red Cross says four other people were injured when the dormitory was swept away and buried in the landslide. Santa Fe was hit hard by a July 16th earthquake that killed about 16-hundred people in the northern and central Phillipines.

The Washington Post says the five permanent members of the U-N Security Council plan to announce that they have agreed on a peace plan to end Cambodia's 11-year civil war. The report quotes congressional and administration sources as saying the plan would give the U-N a large role in administering Cambodia until elections are held. But any agreement

would have to be accepted by the four warring factions in Cambodia... and so far there's NO indication any of them would embrace the accord.

Security forces in Sri Lanka today fought militant Tamil rebels in the northern port town of Jaffna in a week-old major offensive. A military official says government troops captured several rebel positions and are advancing on a military camp that has been under seige for more than two months. The development came after soldiers captured two islands used as staging areas for the final assault on the town of Jaffna.

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SAN ANTONIO (AUG. 28) UPI - Military reservists returning home from voluntary duty in Saudi Arabia said they were stunned by the searing heat and desolation faced by active-duty U.S. troops assigned to Operation Desert Shield.

''The glare off the sand, flying over, is almost blinding. You almost get the impression you're flying over another planet,'' Air Force reserve Staff Sgt. William Salter, of Houston, said Tuesday.

''It wasn't very picturesque there,'' agreed reserve Tech Sgt. T.W. Robinson of San Antonio, a computer technician in civilian life. ''No trees, no scrub like the desert of West Texas - just sand.''

Reserve Col. Dennis Means, of San Antonio, remembers the active duty troops being ferried across the ocean to Saudi Arabia aboard the giant C-5A Galaxy cargo plane he piloted.

''Most of them were young, not knowing what to expect,'' he said.

And the reservists have as few clues as their active duty peers about how long it will last, or what will be the outcome.

''We have not heard anything at all, remarkably,'' reserve Col. Mahlon Stief, of San Antonio, said a time frame for Desert Shield.

''Everyone is waiting for something to happen, whether a war is initiated or (Saddam) Hussein backs down,'' Stief said.

More than 200 reservists assigned to the 433rd Military Airlift Wing, rather than wait for the call-up from the Pentagon, have been transporting troops and cargo from around the United States to the Middle East since Aug. 8.

''In fact, we've had more volunteers than we can use right now,'' said Col. Michael Quarnaccio, a wing commander.

Ground crews assigned to the wing based at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio have been working 24-hour shifts since Aug. 5, repairing and maintaining incoming planes for quick departures.

''It's a pride kind of thing to see how fast we can get the airplane ready so that it can be launched again,'' Stief said.

''I came out of the 1960s, when people said (Vietnam) is wrong. 'I'm not going to do this.' No one has said that now,'' Stief said. This time, he said, everyone he encounters is supportive.

For the first time Tuesday, the 433rd reservists were allowed to disclose a few dates and numbers about their role in the massing of U.S. troops in the Middle East in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

''There is a fear factor when you do go in to a situation that could become combat. But there was no panic, nothing worrisome,'' Means, who flew the C-5As three times to Saudi Arabia in an eight-day period this month, said.

The 27-hour trips to Saudi Arabia, with stops in Europe for crew changes and rest periods, were exhausting, he said.

''The cities were nice, modern-looking cities from the air. But out in the countryside, it's just desert - I was suprised at how desolate,'' he said.

''I didn't want to volunteer but we'd been trained to do this. It was a responsibility,'' said Means, who is to return to work Wednesday at his civlian job as a Southwest Airlines pilot.

''I wouldn't feel right not doing the job.''

His more lucrative salary was cut off for the lesser sum he earned for his temporary military chores and the father of two was unable to contact his family while abroad. ''It was hard on them,'' he said.

The aging 15-plane C-5A fleet assigned to the 433rd has caused little mechanical trouble. ''It's a large operation and things have gone very well,'' Stief said about the largest military aircraft outside the Soviet Union, which is capable of carrying 85 tons of cargo.

Despite the lack of a formal call-up, the voluntary mission of the 433rd still is under way.

''I suppose some guys are apprehensive something might flare up,'' said Salter, a flight school ground instructor in civilian life. ''But most of us are confident the situation can be defused diplomatically.''

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(AUG. 28) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
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NYSE Stocks - Mixed in light trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Mixed in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in active trading.

Dollar - Closed sharply lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1 3/4 to off 1 1/4, soybeans up 1 1/4 to off 3, wheat off 1 3/4 to up 1 1/2 and oats off 3 1/2 to 5.

Cattle trade - Fairly active, 25 to 50 cents higher, Top $76.75.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 1 to 4 points higher. SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	11.47	11.49	11.36	11.47	11.44
Mar	11.19	11.22	11.12	11.20	11.17
May	11.18	11.21	11.11	11.19	11.15
Jly	11.21	11.21	11.13	11.19	11.18
Oct	11.27	11.30	11.24	11.27	11.25

Estimated sales: 10,972 contracts
Open interest: 122.345 up 1,075
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.52

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 1 to 6 points higher.
SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.35	23.39	23.35	23.39	23.35
Jan	23.12	23.12	23.12	23.12	23.10
Mar	22.95	....	....	22.96	22.95
May	23.01	23.01	23.01	23.01	22.95
Jly	23.01	23.01	23.01	23.01	23.00
Sep	22.95	....	....	23.01	22.95
Nov	22.75	....	....	22.82	22.78

Estimated sales: 253 contracts
Open interest: 10,275 off 18

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#90240u1457 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

EAST TROY, Wis. (AUG. 28) UPI - Blues guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan died of massive internal and head injuries suffered when a helicopter he was riding in slammed into a ski hill, a coroner said Tuesday.

The two-time Grammy-award winning guitarist and four others died in Monday morning's crash just after Vaughan performed at nearby Alpine Valley Music Theater with his brother, Jimmie, Eric Clapton, Robert Cray and Buddy Guy.

The others killed in the crash were the pilot and three member's of Clapton's entourage. There were no survivors.

''They died of massive internal and skull injuries sustained in the crash '' Walworth County Coroner John T. Griebel said.

Griebel said results of toxicology tests done on all the victims would be available in several days. Vaughan's body was transported Monday night from Elkhorn, Wis., to Milwaukee, and flown to his hometown of Austin, Texas. Funeral arrangements were not disclosed.

Investigators said fog and hazy conditions were a factor in the crash.

''Weather is a factor,'' said William Bruce, air safety investigator with the National Transportation Safety Board. ''To what degree it plays in this, we don't know yet.''

Milwaukee television station WTMJ reported the pilot, Jeff Brown, had been involved in two other accidents in Chicago. The television station said Brown was involved in an accident in 1977 while taking people on a sight-seeing trip, and was involved in another accident last year.

A spokeswoman for Clapton said Clapton's tour would continue Tuesday night with a show in Bonner Springs, Kan.

''The guys in the band sat down and talked,'' said Clapton's press agent,

Ronnie Lippin, in Los Angeles. ''They just wanted to go on, somehow.''

Bruce said the five-seat Bell 206 Jet Ranger helicopter flew into the side of a 388-foot ski hill. There was no evidence the helicopter hit anything else first.

Besides Vaughan and Brown, those killed in the crash were Bobby Brooks, Clapton's booking agent; Nigel Browne, Clapton's bodyguard; and Colin Smythe, one of Clapton's tour managers.

Vaughan, 35, won a ''best traditional blues recording'' Grammy in 1984 for ''Couldn't Stand the Weather,'' a cut off his platinum album ''Double Trouble.'' He won this year in the ''contemporary blues'' category for his record ''In Step.''

The Vaughan brothers' long-awaited collaboration album ''Family Style'' is due out Sept. 25 and Stevie Ray Vaughan was to start a European tour next week.

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#90240u1464 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	411.00 off 1.50
Morning fixing	392.55 off 18.45
Afternoon fixing	388.25 off 22.75
Close	382.37 off 28.63
Paris	394.21 off 17.93
Zurich	387.00 off 14.50
Hong Kong	393.00 off 18.75
New York	
Comex spot close	385.00 off 3.30
Republic cash	384.75 off 4.25
Handy and Harman	388.25 off 13.50

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 389.56 off 13.29 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 409.04 off 13.95 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.84 off 0.008
Republic cash	4.865 off 0.005

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.81 per fine ounce off 0.235.

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.835 off

0.195and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.173 off 0.209.
Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 487.00 off 10.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 587.00 off 10.50.
Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 111.50 off 4.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 126.50 off 4.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90240u1470 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 28) UPI - World stock markets turned mixed Tuesday as Asian exchanges built up on their momentum to score new gains while Frankfurt and New York retreated on continued nervousness about the Middle East conflict.

The London International stock exchange, which was closed Monday for a holiday, recorded strong advances to make up for the lost trading session.

Stocks in Tokyo ended higher for the third consecutive session with investors' confidence boosted by a firm bond market, lower oil prices and hopes that war was not about to break out in the Persian Gulf.

The key Nikkei index of 225 selected issues gained 569.00 points to 25,710.76 - a 2.3 percent jump which added to a surge of 976.00 points, or 4 percent, Monday. Despite its gain of 1,545 points in two days, the Nikkei still has a long way to go before erasing the 25 percent loss it suffered since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq.

On the New York Stock Exchange, the Dow Jones industrial average, which soared 78.71 Monday, was drifting lower in afternoon trading. The Dow was down 6.93 to 2604.70 in thin trading at 3 p.m. EDT.

Traders said they took profits on the market's rallies Friday and Monday, during which the blue-chip average surged more than 128 points.

Crude oil prices, which plunged $4 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange Monday and contributed to the stock market rally, were holding up in $26.75-a-barrel range and had little impact on stock trading Tuesday, traders said. But an impending agreement by ten members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to raise some individual

crude oil production quotas was expected to give stock markets a new lift fueled by lower oil prices.

Analysts said many investors were now awaiting new developments in the Middle East before deciding to enter the market in force again.

Several mediation efforts are underway to solve the crisis. Syrian President Hafez Assad arrived in Egypt for talks with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak to negotiate an end to the Gulf crisis. U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar is to meet Thursday with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz in Amman, Jordan, to seek a withdrawal from Kuwait and the release of detained foreigners.

In London, share prices ended the day higher, although some of the earlier gains were erased by profit taking. The Financial Times Stock Exchange 100-share index gained 39.7 points to close at 1,126.1, but volume was a thin 281.6 million shares, reflecting continuing caution.

Nervousness dominated trading on the Frankfurt stock exchange, where strong gains of 6.1 percent Monday, were quickly erased by profit taking. The weighted German stock idex or Dax lost 36.91 points, or 2.2 percent, of its value to close at 1,617.89.

An added factor to the Dax's slide was worries about the direction the German economy would take following its planned reunification Oct. 3.

Stock prices in Paris and Zurich also were on a moderate slide, in sympathy with Frankfurt. While Milan scored some modest gains, traders said the gains were vulnerable and prices were not expected to hold up.

Earlier in the day, Tokyo lifted other Asian markets in line with the Nikkei's upward push.

The Hong Kong Stock Exchange, which was closed Monday for a national holiday, surged ahead with the Hang Seng index gaining 5.5 percent of its value in moderate trading to end the day at 3,078.94, a surge of 160.93 points.

Share prices also rose in Singapore, although late selling eroded early gains. The Straits Times Industrial index ended at 1,217.14 points, up from 1,198.23 Monday and traders said the market might not be able to sustain more than a three-day rally, mainly if Tokyo retreats Wednesday.

In Sydney, share prices gained nearly 1 percent on sentiment of lesser tensions in the Middle East, although oil issues retreated on falling crude oil prices. The All Ordinaries index moved up to 1,491.7 points, up from 1,477.1.

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#90240u1472 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

BUCHAREST, ROMANIA (AUG. 28) UPI - Anti-government protesters gathered in Bucharest's main square for the sixth straight day Tuesday in defiance of a 30-day ban on new demonstrations in the capital.

The ban was imposed by the City Council late Monday following a series of violent clashes between riot police and protesters armed with Molotov cocktails and rocks.

The measures, the most restrictive since the overthrow of communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu last December, prohibits demonstrations for the next month and limits future protests to sports stadiums and four city parks.

Six other public squares were declared off-limits to protesters, including Victory Square near the government headquarters, and the central University Square, which was occupied by anti-government demonstrators for seven weeks in May and June.

Despite the ban, dozens of people gathered in University Square Tuesday afternoon around a nucleus of about six protesters who chanted anti-government slogans. Police made no attempt to intervene.

In each of the previous five nights, the protests followed a similar pattern.

First, a disorganized group of a few dozen people set up barricades to seal off University Square, with police making no effort to stop them.

After nightfall, up to 1,000 riot police armed with batons and shields would then chase them out of the square, dodging rocks and Molotov cocktails.

Romania's established opposition groups have not sanctioned the protests, and some activists have even accused the ruling National Salvation Front of orchestrating the unrest to justify a crackdown on legitimate anti-government groups.

''It's obvious only the government's interests are served by this,'' said Dan Oprescu of the Group for Social Dialogue.

A police crackdown June 14 on the 7-week-long University Square demonstration triggered anti-government rioting that left six people dead and hundreds wounded. The rioting was halted when about 10,000 coal miners answering a government appeal, traveled to Bucharest and attacked protesters and opposition leaders with clubs and whips.

In another development, President Ion Iliescu Tuesday rejected as ''irresponsible'' claims by two former aides that the December uprising against Ceausescu was essentially a military coup.

Former National Salvation Front spokesman Silviu Brucan and former Defense Minister Gen. Nicolae Militaru told a Bucharest newspaper last week that top generals had begun planning the revolt as early as 1983 and had picked Iliescu as Ceausescu's successor.

The Front contends the revolution was a spontaneous popular uprising.

''The events in December had the character of a veritable revolt of the masses as a result of a long accumulation of powerful discontent,'' Iliescu wrote in a front-page commentary in the pro-government newspaper Truth.

''If we're talking about a conspiracy, the correct term might be a multitude of conspiracies,'' he said. ''In a way the whole populace, profoundly dissatisfied, participated in a great conspiracy against Ceausescu.''

Monday, the state prosecutor's office summoned Brucan to give sworn testimony to back up the newspaper account.

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#90240u1475 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) UPI - Secretary of Labor Elizabeth Dole said Tuesday her agency will begin a ''special emphasis inspection program'' of the nation's largest petrochemical firms to ensure the companies have taken proper precautions against major catastrophes.

The inspections, which will be conducted by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, are to begin later this week and will target petrochemical firms with more than 2,500 employees.

The new inspections are an outgrowth an explosion Oct. 24, 1989, at the Phillips Petroleum company's complex in Pasadena, Texas, which killed 22 people and injured more than 120 others.

''When we investigated the Phillips explosion last fall, we realized the need to revise OSHA inspection priorities to include the risk of catastrophic events in the petrochemical industry,'' Dole said.

''Through this 'special emphasis program,' we are making system safety in petrochemicals top priority among our programmed inspections,'' she said.

OSHA officials said the first inspections will be focused in areas where there are high concentrations of petrochemical plants, including Delaware, Illinois, Louisiana, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas and West Virginia.

''Specially trained compliance officers, experienced in conducting chemical industry inspections, will be in charge of these inspections,'' said Assistant Secretary of Labor Gerard Scannell, head of the safety agency.

''Although system saftey inspections involved a considerable commitment of OSHA resources, we are convinced that this an important priotiry for us to undertake in the light of the dangers inherent in these facilities,'' he said.

''We will be paying particular attention to repair and maintenance activities; turn-arounds, start-ups and shutdowns and to outside contractors,'' he said.

Agency officials said OSHA has found that significant factors in fires, explosions and chemical releases include lack of proper maintenance, failure of the company to enforce permit systems, failure to insist that outside contractors follow company procedures and an inadequate safety and health management role in the entire production process.

The inspections will include companies involved in petroleum refining, manufacturing of plastic materials and synthetic resins, synthetic rubber, cellulosic and other man-made fibers and the manufacture of a long list of industrial organic chemicals.

''I share in the grief of the families who have lost loved ones in petrochemical accidents,'' Dole said. ''Through updating our safety procedures and focusing attention on accident prevention we can help to avoid the tragic situations we have recently witnessed in the petrochemical industry.''

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#90240u1494 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Gold futures closed 330 to 430 points lower Tuessday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	392.50	392.50	380.00	385.00	388.30

Sep	390.90	....	....	385.50	388.90
Oct	393.00	395.00	381.00	387.90	391.30
Dec	398.50	399.90	386.00	392.80	396.20
Feb	402.00	404.00	390.00	396.90	400.40
Apr	407.80	407.80	395.50	401.00	404.60
Jun	404.50	404.50	404.50	405.50	409.20
Aug	416.00	416.00	406.00	409.70	413.50
Oct	409.50	409.50	409.50	414.40	418.40
Dec	425.80	425.80	418.00	419.10	423.20
Feb	430.40	....	....	424.20	428.40
Apr	435.40	....	....	429.10	433.40

Open interest: 134,027 up 1,714.

Estimated sales: 70,000 contracts.

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#90240u1509 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Bank of Montreal (2nd Q 7-31)	
$120,188,000	$111,010,000
$113,534,907 (.95)	$109,508,049 (.91)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Cordis Corp (4th Q 6-30)	
$46,130,000	$37,675,000
$3,963,000 (.29)	$2,015,000 (.15)
CPI Corp (2nd Q 7-21)	
$76,479,000	$68,955,000
$6,242,000 (.40)	$5,593,000 (.35)
Designs Inc (2nd Q 7-28)	
$25,107,000	$15,076,000
d-$381,000	d-$866,000
d-Deficit.	
Fleet Aerospace (3rd Q 6-30)	
$47,414,000	$46,781,000
d-$693,000	d-$999,000
d-Deficit.	
House of Fabrics (2nd Q 7-31)	

$87,358,000 $81,331,000
$703,000 (.11) d-$119,000 (.02)
d-Deficit.

Ivaco Inc (2nd Q 6-30)
$537,200,000 $540,200,000
$5,985,000 (.03) $6,193,000 (.02)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

LAM Research (2nd Q 6-30)
$29,192,000 $34,243,000
ad-$14,595,000 $2,645,000 (.24)
ad-Deficit, includes $18 million pre-tax charge from the previously reported plan to phase out production of its Gemini Epitaxy Systems.

Medco Containment Srvcs (4th Q 6-30)
$284,451,000 $206,117,000
$9,384,000 (.19) $8,012,000 (.17)

Metro Airline Inc (1st Q 7-31)
$62,047,000 $43,760,000
$1,243,000 (.20) d-$4,734,000
d-Deficit.

Raytech Corp (2nd Q 7-1)
$36,822,000 $29,800,000
$2,475,000 (.48) $1,763,000 (.28)

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#90240u1523 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 28) UPI - President Bush is trying to quell complaints that he's NOT consulting with Congress enough on the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush is back at the White House this afternoon... meeting with congressional leaders and later with about 150 members of the armed services, foreign affairs and intelligence committees.

Senior Israeli officials say Prime Minister Shamir has received a note of appreciation from President Bush. The officials say Bush expressed gratitude to Israel for keeping a low profile as tensions in the region grew hotter following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The official Islamic Republic News Agency says a group of Filipinos stranded in Kuwait arrived at a checkpoint on the Iran-Iraq border today. Iran has said it would open its doors to all foreigners trapped in Kuwait by the Iraqi invasion of the tiny oil emirate earlier this month.

A Lebanese radio station says U-S intervention in the Persian Gulf is the

latest issue delaying the release of six American hostages. The communist-run Voice of the People quotes well-informed sources as saying Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite will be the next hostage freed in Lebanon.

Both sides expressed hope for a settlement as contract talks opened in Washington, D-C, today between the U-S Postal Service and union leaders. The heart of the talks is expected to be over the question of automation. The current contract covering about 600-thousand postal workers expires on November 20th.

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#90240u1542 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - The United Auto Workers is taking on the nation's number one automaker. U-A-W President Owen Bieber is expected today to announce the choice of General Motors as a strike target in Detroit. The U-A-W is now expected to focus on talks with G-M before contracts expire next month at all three top carmakers.

Six east African foreign ministers finished two days of talks in Nairobi in an effort to find ways to end bloody regional civil wars. They agreed to meet again, but their brief commuique issued in the Kenyan capital did NOT mention any substantive progress in the talks.

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#90240u1545 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - Forecasters say Hurricane Gustav is showing signs of weakening as it travels north... and it's NOT expected to be a threat to any land areas anytime soon. Gustav packs sustained winds of up to 105 miles an hour and was centered in the Atlantic, roughly 390 miles northeast of Antigua.

Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami also say Tropical Storm Hortense could be changing direction before the end of the week. They say Hortense shows signs of gaining strength but remains far out in the Atlantic and is a threat only to shipping at present.

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#90240u1546 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 28) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.77 3/4 off 1 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.19 3/4-6.21 1/2 up 3/4-1.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.51 3/4-2.58 3/4 up 1 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.65 1/4-2.69 3/4 off 3/4 to up 1 3/4.

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#90240u1548 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) UPI - Farmers would lose $2.8 billion in crop loans and payments and many Agriculture Department county offices would be open only three days a week if automatic spending cuts take effect, officials estimated Tuesday.

In addition, the department's 100,000 employees would be forced to take unpaid furloughs. One analyst said workers might be off work for one to three days out of every two-week period - effectively turning them into part-time workers with less money to make ends meet.

The department used a seven-page summary to describe the enormous impact of a year-long budget ''sequester'' under the Gramm-Rudman balanced-budget law. The cuts would take effect Oct. 1 unless Congress and the White House agree on a budget package. Employees are being given letters this week advising them they may be furloughed.

However, the impact could be larger still.

The descriptions were based on an across the board spending cut of 32 percent. That figure does not count the effect of a reauthorization of the food stamp program. With reauthorization, the sequester would be about 40 percent.

Food stamps and the Women, Infants and Children supplemental food program are exempt from the Gramm-Rudman cuts, which means the rest of the department would have to take additional cuts.

Meat industry officials already have warned there would be massive dislocations if federal meat inspectors are not available. By law, slaughterhouses cannot operate unless federal inspectors are on hand to examine each carcass. Meat processing plants must be inspected daily.

''Shutting down the meat industry for just one day, which is the assured result of inspector furloughs, would idle some 365,000 employees, stop all livestock and poultry purchases from producers and cost the economy nearly $1 billion in lost sales,'' three industry groups said in a letter.

Agriculture Department employees have begun to take precautions such as lining up second jobs. One said he would work as a driver for a flower shop to help make his house payments.

The possibility of furloughs prompted one employee, Denver Browning, to criticize President Bush's frequent - and costly - air travel and to complain about how jobs were being created for Bush's political appointees.

''Relieve us of this overkill of political appointees or at least take them to the White House, where they belong,'' he said in a letter published in The Washington Post.

In its summary of likely effects of a long-term 32 percent cut in spending the department said crop subsidy payments would be trimmed by $900 million, loan rates reduced to save $1.8 billion and dairy farmers assessed enough money on sale of their milk to raise $130 million.

County offices for the Farmers Home Administration and the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service would be closed on two business days each week. Shipments of food under the Food for Peace program would be reduced.

''A 31.9 percent sequester would result in the absence of (meat and poultry) inspection services during a furlough of about 137 days and would cause the meat and poultry slaughter and processing industry to cease production during that period of time,'' the summary said.

In addition, many soil and water conservation programs would be curtailed and the Forest Service would implement shorter seasons at National Forest campgrounds and scale back programs such as forest fire prevention.

States also would see a drop of about $130 million in their share of money from timber and mineral sales and grazing fees, the summary said..

The department's statistical reports and analyses of commodity output and consumption also would face a ''major reduction,'' the summary said. The reports are an impartial and accurate source of information about farm output and influence the commodity markets.

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#90240u1555 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

OTTAWA (AUG. 28) UPI - Indian warriors, bracing for a planned army assault on barricades they erected at two Mohawk reserves, surrounded themselves with women and children who stood nose to nose with soldiers awaiting orders.

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney was to meet with his Cabinet later Tuesday

and officials were preparing to evacuate Quebec residents living in the nearby towns of Oka and Chateauguay.

Several hundred traditional Mohawks, most with no links to the militant Mohawk Warrior Society, have already fled the Kanesatake and Kahnawake reserves south of Montreal.

The dispute involving Mohawks in the two communities began several months ago over a proposed expansion of the Oka golf course on land Mohawks claim is an ancient burial ground. The dispute turned violent July 11 when police stormed the barricades erected by the Mohawks and one officer was killed.

Days later, sympathetic Indians at the Kahnawake Reserve near Chateauguay blocked a highway and a key bridge linking that town to Montreal.

Indian leaders warned Tuesday of nationwide retaliation and bloodshed if Canadian armed forces assault the two Mohawk reserves. Quebec Premier Robert Bourassa asked the troops to remove the barricades after negotiations collapsed Monday.

Members of the small but powerful faction of the Mohawk Nation that took control of the negotiations from traditional natives at the two reserves were almost invisible at the barricades. Instead, they used women and children as a first line of defense. The women and children stood nose to nose with 1,400 soldiers awaiting orders to tear down the barricades.

The barricades are fortified with barbed wire, land mines and probably more weapons than the Canadian army knows about, the chief of the Canadian armed forces said. A number of Warriors who crossed the border from the United States have military service in the U.S. forces.

Bill Wilson, vice-chief of the Assembly of First Nations, warned there would be nationwide revenge by natives if the army removed the barricades.

''I know that land is worth dying for,'' Wilson said. ''But I feel terrible our brothers and sisters in the Canadian army and behind (Mohawk) barricades are going to spill blood.''

Elijah Harper, an Indian politician in Manitoba, said the assault would result in a ''bloodbath.''

''It is inexcusable the prime minister would allow this to happen,'' he said.

Canada's federal government has described the Warriors as criminals who derive most of their income from illegal cigarette and weapons sales and casino gambling, activities not supported by traditional Mohawks.

On Monday, Gen. John de Chastelain, chief of Canada's armed forces, told reporters that soldiers would shoot to defend themselves against the Warriors' heavy arsenal of weapons, which includes Russian, Chinese and Uzi rifles and hand grenades.

De Chastelain said he was aware of reports that Mohawk women and children would be a first line defense of the barricades.

He said the army's planned assault was a ''last resort'' to maintain law and order on the reserves and surrounding towns after the job became too difficult for Quebec police.

Nearly 150,000 non-native Quebecans in Oka and Chateauguay faced enormous hardship after the Mohawk Warriors closed roads and the Mercier Bridge linking Chateauguay to Montreal. Some residents lost their jobs because they could not get to work in Montreal.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $75 to $84 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 2.15 cent lower to 0.65 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.20 to 1.55 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.03 cent higher to 1.22 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $3.30 to $4.30 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.10 to $3.20 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.45 cent higher to 0.35 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 0.30 to 3 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.001 to 0.004 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90240u1562 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 28) UPI - Apple Computer Inc. has responded to criticism that its Macintosh computers are too expensive by planning to introduce three models in October including a version expected to sell for less than $1,000.

The new computers will be the first to come out of the Cupertino, Calif., computer maker since Sculley, chairman and chief executive officer, took personal charge of new product development during a management shakeup in February.

Apple has not disclosed prices or details about the new machines, but analysts expect the least expensive version, the Macintosh Classic, to be priced between $1,300 and $1,400, which would translate to a ''street'' price of less than $1,000 after dealer discounts.

The Macintosh Classic, based on Motorola Inc.'s 68000 microprocessor is expected to gradually replace the Macintosh Plus, the least expensive and oldest machine in the Macintosh family.

Equally important is a new Macintosh with a detachable color monitor that is expected to sell for about $2,500, compared with the more than $4,000 for Apple's current color models. The third model would be a high-end Macintosh intended to compete with powerful low-end computer workstations from such companies as Sun Microsystems Inc. of Mountain View, Calif.

The new color Macintosh is critical for Apple to regain its momentum in the education market, where IBM Corp. and Tandy Corp. have eaten into Apple's dominant market share, analysts said.

The color machine, dubbed the Macintosh LC, is expected to have room for a chip board that would allow it to run software written for the Apple II, which has been Apple's big seller in the classroom. Market researchers Dataquest Inc. estimate 65 percent to 70 percent of all personal computers installed in classrooms for kindergarten to 12th grade are Apple II machines.

As interesting as the new hardware will be, Shaffer said he was at least as curious to see how Apple would price and sell the new Macintosh models. The company came under fire earlier this year for lacking a focused marketing and advertising campaign for the Macintosh family.

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#90240u1564 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AUG. 28) UPI - Security police Tuesday arrested the general secretary of South Africa's largest trade federation and two other union members, charging them with kidnapping and assault after they detained a suspected spy on duty outside the union offices.

Congress of South African Trade Unions General Secretary Jay Naidoo, Assistant General Secretary Sydney Mufamadi and a third union official were detained late Tuesday afternoon after holding the alleged spy for several hours at the COSATU offices downtown.

The three were later released on bail of approximately $600 after an emergency night hearing in Magistrate's Court.

''Having absolutely no confidence in the police, we took it upon ourselves to apprehend this person,'' Naidoo told reporters as he and South African Communist Party member Geraldine Joselyn sat on either side of their trembling and occassionally weeping suspect.

Naidoo lashed out at police for failing to investigate union complaints of its members or members of the African National Congress being harassed or subject to attack, yet having the time to put police on surveillance duty.

''It's a sinister plot to destabilize progressive movements,'' Naidoo said. ''I'm aware the building has been under surveillance for the past couple days.''

Security police later surrounded the downtown office building and arrested Naidoo, Mufamadi and Baba Schalk, a member of the union's media section, and took them to police headquarters where they could be detained for up to 48 hours before appearing in court, a union spokesman said.

The black constable, identified as Joseph Maleka, told reporters he had been recruited by the police to monitor the movements of Joselyn, who works in the SACP offices in the same building that houses COSATU National Union of Mineworkers.

He carried a two-way radio and a photograph of Joselyn when he was nabbed at a garage near the the office building, Naidoo said.

Police confirmed he was a constable.

''This is not an operation related to an unrest situation but criminal charges that we are investigating,'' Police spokesman Col. Frans Malherbe said after leading the raid on the COSATU offices.

''One of our police constables was allegedly removed at about 11:30 a.m. from Rissik Street by union members, taken to their headquarters and

allegedly assaulted,'' he said.

Saying he feared publication of his photograph in local newspapers would prompt township activists to burn his house down or kill his mother, a visibly frightened Maleka shielded his face with a sweater during the earlier press conference.

Witnesses said burly men in the room with Naidoo forced the suspect's arms away from his face, grabbed his hair to pull his head up to face photographers - action evidently giving rise to the assault charges.

-30- 3036

#90240u1579 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1135.2
Monday	1138.9
Week ago	1126.1
Month ago	1136.5
Year ago	1099.9
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

-30- 442

#90240u1583 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (AUG. 28) UPI - Defense Minister Moshe Arens said Tuesday Israel's air force was ready to defend the nation, but added that the gulf crisis had made it clear the country needed more weapons from the United States.

During a visit to an air force base, Arens said he hoped the United States had become more aware of Israel's needs since Iraq invaded Kuwait and would provide the weapons he has requested.

''A little over a month ago when I was in Washington, I presented a list of things that are important to us, that are urgent for us,'' he said. ''I think today this urgency is clearer in Washington that it was over a month ago.''

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, meanwhile, has received a message from President Bush expressing appreciation for Israel's low profile during the Persian Gulf crisis, senior officials said Tuesday.

The officials said the message, described as ''warm'' in tone, also said the United States looked forward to a continued dialogue with Israel.

Ze'ev Schiff, respected military analyst for the Hebrew newspaper Ha'aretz wrote Monday that Israel was likely to ask Washington for weapons systems to compensate for the advanced weapons being provided to Arab states during the gulf crisis.

''The more the United States provides Arab countries with the most advanced weapons systems, the harder it will be for Israel to maintain its qualitative superiority, which Washington has pledged to maintain,'' he wrote.

In order to bolster Saudi Arabia's defenses in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 conquest of Kuwait, Washington has agreed to sell the desert kingdom F-15E advanced fighter planes, a model which Israel does not possess.

Schiff said Israel would likely ask for F-15Es as well as attack helicopters and anti-missile systems. In addition, Israel could request advanced U.S. defense technology that would allow Israel to develop its own weapons systems.

As a matter of policy, Israel opposes the sale of sophisticated weapons to Arab nations not at peace with the Jewish state.

Shamir said in an interview Sunday that the gulf crisis had added support to Israel's position.

''Kuwait purchased from the United States considerable amounts of weaponry and the best weapons available,'' he said. ''Where are these weapons today? We now know - the Iraqis have them.''

During his visit to the air force base, Arens attempted to reassure the public about the country's capacity to defend itself. Since the invasion, Israelis have become worried that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein might attack their country with conventional or chemical weapons.

''I am sorry all the citizens of Israel could not join me and see the powerful force that exits and stands up for the defense of the state if necessary,'' the defense minister said.

After appearing Tuesday before the Parliament's Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee, Shamir again denied media reports that Israel was urging the United States to take military action against Iraq.

''It is a despicable lie. Israel is not pushing the United States into anything,'' he told Army Radio. ''Who are we that we should push the only existing superpower in the world.''

The head of Israel's ambulance service said his organization was prepared to handle a chemical weapons attack.

''There was a period in which we were not so prepared to provide an answer to chemical warfare,'' Arieh Har'el said. ''I am happy to announce that now we have succeeded in closing the gap.''

Since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, Israel has attempted to distance itself from the gulf crisis. Although regular contacts between the United States and Israel, such as the sharing of information, have continued, Bush has not asked for any special assistance from Israel, officials said.

''It is common knowledge that Israel's position has been one of a low profile,'' one official said. ''We have all along tried not to play into the hands of (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein.''

Israeli officials have said Saddam has tried unsuccessfully to recast the gulf crisis as part of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Despite Israel's low-key approach, Shamir and other senior Cabinet members have repeatedly warned that Israel will respond forcefully to any attack.

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#90240u1591 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.97

60 to 89 days 7.92

90 to 119 days 7.87

120 to 149 days 7.82

150 to 179 days 7.85

180 to 270 days 7.79

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.95 - 7.80

Issuers 30 days 7.99

Issuers 90 days 7.92

Issuers 270 days 7.50

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.02

60 to 89 days 8.04

90 to 119 days 8.05

120 to 149 days 8.06

150 to 179 days 8.14

180 days 8.14

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight	7 15-16	- 8 1-16
1 month	8.00	- 8.125
3 month	8 1-16	- 8 3-16
6 month	8.125	- 8.25
Year	8.25	- 8.375

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.49 - 7.47

6 months 7.48 - 7.46

Year 7.39 - 7.37

Federal Funds: High 8 1-16, Low 8, Close 8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.922 off 0.033.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

-30- 1381

#90240u1595 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) UPI - Joyce Jones, a Department of Health and Human Services teletypist who supports her four children and a grandson, says the impending government furlough will mean the rent will get paid - but not much else.

Mary Pitts, who works for the agency's Departmental Appeals Board, says snacks will have to go by the boards and maybe fulfilling her daughter's hopes of living in off-campus housing at college. And making the tuition payment, it ''is going to be tight,'' Pitts said, ''But Jesus is my supplier.''

Jones, Pitts and about 3.1 million federal government employees nationwide received notices this week of a possible furlough that could start as early as Oct. 1 if White House and congressional budget negotiators fail to reach an agreement on cutting the deficit by about $50 billion for the 1991 fiscal year. Discussions are scheduled to resume Sept. 7.

Under the law, all employees would be affected by a furlough except military personnel, presidential appointees, Indian Health Service clinical staff and a few other categories.

All agencies were ordered earlier this month to draw up a plan to reduce their budgets by 32 percent. This can come from money appropriated for programs, projects and activities - with some exceptions, such as Social Security payments - as well as salaries.

While they would like to make the cuts through program reductions to spare employees, agency personnel officers generally say there are not enough discretionary funds to come up with a 32 percent cut, so furloughs will be necessary.

''They way it looks now, everyone will have to take some time off if there is no budget agreement,'' said Thomas McFee, assistant secretary for personnel for Health and Human Services. ''We're trying to handle this as equitably as possible ... and we would furlough everyone for an hour or a day or whatever it takes.''

Hal Paris, a Department of Transportation spokesman, said his agency is

planning cutbacks on travel and other program expenses. ''But there will have to be furloughs. All employees at the Department of Transportation will be affected,'' he said.

The Office of Personnel Management encouraged agencies to take whatever action possible to reduce the need for and the extent of furloughs. These include hiring freezes, which many agencies have implemented, limiting or freezing promotions, reducing overtime pay and delaying employee training.

As of now, employees could be furloughed for up to 22 days. Agencies could decide, as well, to furlough workers on a staggered basis, so agencies could remain open. However, there is talk in at least one agency - Housing and Urban Development - of simply shutting down the agency for a day or so. So far, HUD has made no final decision.

''If I were negotiating this, I would negotiate that the number of furlough days be inversely proportionate to a person's salary so that a higher-paid employee would have to take off more time,'' said John Sturdivant, president of the American Federation of Government Employees union.

''I think it's unfair that federal employees are even being subjected to this kind of treatment,'' he said. ''It's not fair that our pay at the present time is some 20 percent behind the private sector. This furlough represents a pay cut, and no worker would think pay cuts were fair.''

Evelyn Miles, a 30-year government employee, said a furlough, no matter how short, would hurt financially, but she is a bit more sanguine than more fearful colleagues.

''I'd probably have to make adjustments, but I'm not going to worry. The good Lord will find a way for me to survive,'' she said.

-30- 3893

#90240u1613 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

GDANSK, Poland (AUG. 28) UPI - Solidarity leader and former Nobel laureate Lech Walesa Tuesday said Poland knows the consequences of not standing up to aggression, and appealed to world leaders to ''show solidarity'' in seeking the release of hostages in Iraq.

''I call on authorities of international public opinion to take actions aimed at freeing the hostages and helping their families,'' Walesa said in a statement released in his hometown of Gdansk.

''The hostages have become for the Iraqi government a human shield to protect them against the consequences of (their) irresponsible politics,'' said the 1983 Nobel peace prize winner.

Walesa appeared to support the United States and other nations in actions aimed at forcing Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait.

''Our country, which has bled in many wars, knows well (the) price but we also know consequences of tolerating mad plans of politicians, of tolerating arguments of force in international politics,'' Walesa said.

His statememnt appeared to be a reference to the appeasement of Nazi Germany by Western nations prior to World War II and the 1938 Munich accords accepting Adolf Hitler's annexation of Czechoslovakia.

It was also believed to be a reference to the 1945 Yalta agreements where the victorious and war-weary West allowed the Soviet Union hegemony in Eastern Europe.

''The fate of those people, among whom there are women and children, concerns us all, evokes compassion and protest,'' Walesa said of the plight of the hostages.

''We should show solidarity,'' he said.

-30- 1780

#90240u1623 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2614.85	up	3.22
20 Trans	899.82	off	8.21
15 Utils	193.60	off	0.82
65 Stocks	901.65	off	2.18

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#90240u1629 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Tuesday	2614.85	up	3.22	899.82	off	8.21	193.60	off	0.82
Monday	2611.63	up	78.71	908.03	up	38.32	194.42	up	3.46
Week ago	2603.96	off	52.47	908.58	off	21.71	198.50	off	2.96
Month ago	2905.20	off	12.13	1093.43	off	31.57	210.01	up	2.96
Year ago	2726.63	off	16.73	1506.58	off	13.69	217.74	off	1.20
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

-30- 855
#90240u1638 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Tuesday it will offer a total of $18.4 billion of new bills, equally distributed between 13-week and 26-week T-bills, at the government's weekly auction next Tuesday and raise about $1.675 billion in new cash.

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#90240u1647 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 28) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	176.26	up	0.08
ASE Market Value Index	321.78	up	1.05
Dow-Jones Industrial	2614.85	up	3.22

-30- 323
#90240u1651 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange Tuesday said a seat was sold on the exchange for $309,000, up $8,000 from the last sale Aug. 23.

The exchange said the current bid for an exchange seat is $301,000, while the offering price is $350,000.

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#90240u1653 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks	-	127,650,000 shares
1990 to date	-	26,698,766,152
Warrants	-	762,300
1990 to date	-	169,526,900

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#90240u1675 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	321.78	up	1.05
High Technology	323.28	up	2.47
Capital Goods	350.01	up	2.47
Consumer Goods	384.78	up	1.81
Service	708.89	off	0.91
Retail	1036.28	up	2.52
Financial	371.89	up	3.52
Natural Resources	246.66	up	0.59
Housing-Const-Land	327.54	up	1.16

There was a gain of 4 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS			
New England	405.37	up	1.15
Mid Atlantic	408.66	up	0.72
No Central	445.66	up	2.72
So Atlantic	910.95	up	1.36
So Central	313.57	up	1.39
Mountain	112.65	up	1.59
Pacific	374.67	up	2.78
Foreign	245.25	up	0.41

-30- 905

#90240u1680 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks - 10,280,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,366,700,425
Bonds - $2,300,000
1990 to date - $477,590,000

-30- 328

#90240u1688 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 3 points higher to 122 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	74.50	74.65	73.75	73.83	75.05
Dec	72.70	72.78	71.86	71.90	72.99
Mar	73.45	73.60	72.95	72.97	73.92
May	73.80	73.90	73.70	73.73	74.30
Jly	74.00	74.00	73.75	73.75	74.15
Oct	69.95	69.95	69.95	69.93	69.90
Dec	68.25	68.25	68.15	68.18	68.17

Estimated sales: 5,000 contracts
Open interest: 34,205 up 937
The World spot average: 74.81

-30- 732

#90240u1690 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 28) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Tuesday - 9,433,000
1990 to date - 1,707,041,000

The market closed slightly higher.

-30- 304
#90240u1694 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 322.00, low 320.62, close 321.78, up 1.05.

There was a gain of 4 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,280,000 shares, compared with 17,730,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	4
New Lows	39
Advances	312
Declines	230
Unchanged	238
Total Issues	780

-30- 543
#90240u1698 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - It may look like an Operation Desert Shield recruiting commercial, but Reebok International Ltd. said Tuesday a new TV spot for its Pump cross-training sneaker was not intended that way.

While the "Basic Training" commercial featuring a group of new recruits - bedecked in fatigues and $110 Pump sneakers instead of boots - strikes right at the heart of the nation's current preoccupation with war, it's merely a coincidence, said Bernadette Mansur, a spokeswoman for Stoughton, Mass.-based Reebok.

"The ad was conceived back in May and was filmed in mid-June" - well before the Iraqi invastion of Kuwait earlier this month that has resulted in a U.S. military buildup in the Middle East. We made the media buy late last year for back-to-school advertising," Mansur added.

The tone of the 30-second commercial, which first aired three weeks ago and was the brainchild of Boston ad agency Hill Holliday Connors Cosmopulos Inc., is mock-serious.

While recruits are shown being put through the paces, a voice-over says: "With all due respect for the proud and successful tradition of initiation in the armed forces - and with complete appreciation for all those men and women who have endured the ultimate physical test - in the spirit of improved performance, we at Reebok would like to suggest one small change in the regulation uniform: the Pump, now in cross-training. "And, oh yeah,

we'll have to stop calling it 'Boot Camp."'

For the record, the Army buys thousands of the pricy Pump cross trainers. "The military is one of the largest consumers of the Pump," said Mansur. "The ad was conceived as saluting the young men and women who support our country and what they go through in boot camp."

Unrelated to the ad, Reebok said Tuesday it hired David G. Ropes, a former PepsiCo Inc. executive, to oversee advertising and marketing functions. The sports footwear maker, whose recent ad campaigns have been criticized as both ineffective and tasteless, has slipped to the No. 2 position in sales behind Nike Inc. of Beaverton, Ore.

Mansur said Reebok - although it considered not airing the commercial given the current Middle East crisis - has not received one complaint about the ad. "We believe the commerical is very complimentary to the military and that we would let our consumers be the audience," she said.

Meanwhile, military spokesmen say no branch of the armed forces has stepped up or altered recruiting advertising in the wake of Operation Desert Shield.

"You may be seeing more recruiting ads, but its because we are gearing up for our heaviest advertising time that runs from September through March," said Petty Officer David Melancon, a Navy spokesman. The Navy spends $27 million a year on recruiting advertising geared to 18-to-25 year olds.

The Army, which has a $74 million advertising budget, said it's business as usual for its recruiting program. "There is no policy set up anywhere to capitalize on the situation in the Middle East because we are meeting our goals through normal recruiting programs," said Lt. Col. Jospeh Allred.

The Marines and Air Force have no recruiting advertising budgets and spokesmen for both branches said there were no plans at this time to alter exisiting public service campaigns.

Despite the Reebok ad, a Madison Avenue watcher said advertisers would be wise to stay away from military themes given the military buildup in the Persian Gulf area.

"There is a danger of being pegged as unpatriotic or trying to take advantage of a bad situation," said John Wolfe, New York bureau chief of the trade weekly Advertising Age.

-30- 3871

#90240u1700 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.30	off 0.04
10 Public Utils	89.96	up 0.01
10 Industrials	88.65	off 0.09

-30- 350

#90240u1707 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	380.71	231.29	127.90	23.93	321.44
Opening	379.79	229.79	127.33	23.83	320.53
11 a.m.	381.97	230.48	127.47	23.91	322.12
Noon	380.43	229.70	127.06	23.84	320.88
1 p.m.	381.52	230.07	126.98	23.90	321.66
2 p.m.	380.70	229.18	126.79	23.84	320.98
3 p.m.	381.27	229.24	126.58	23.82	321.28
Close	381.58	229.60	126.19	23.79	321.34
Change	up 0.88	off 1.69	off 1.71	off 0.14	off 0.10

-30- 919

#90240u1710 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 29) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	74	53	.583	-	37-27	37-26	6-4	L-3
New York	70	55	.560	3	40-22	30-33	4-6	L-2
Montreal	66	61	.520	8	35-25	31-36	4-6	L-1
Chicago	60	66	.476	13 1/2	31-32	29-34	4-6	L-1
Philadel.	59	66	.472	14	29-28	30-38	4-6	W-1
St. Louis	58	69	.457	16	30-38	28-31	4-6	L-2
West								
Cincinnati	73	53	.579	-	37-25	36-28	5-5	W-3
Los Angeles	67	60	.528	6 1/2	39-27	28-33	7-3	W-2
San Fran.	66	61	.520	7 1/2	36-28	30-33	6-4	L-1
San Diego	60	66	.476	13	32-35	28-31	5-5	W-1
Houston	57	71	.445	17	37-26	20-45	5-5	W-2
Atlanta	49	78	.386	24 1/2	27-36	22-42	5-5	W-1

-30- 990

#90240u1715 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

MCCAYSVILLE, GA (AUG. 28) UPI - Federal officials said Tuesday they would investigate to determine whether a sulphur dioxide release from the Tennessee Chemical Co. imposed any health risks on the population of McCaysville.

The city is located just across the Georgia-Tennessee border from the chemical plant.

The Environmental Protection Agency evaluation follows a probe conducted by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division into the scorching of vegetation after the Aug. 16 chemical release from the Coppherhill, Tenn., company.

In addition to assessing possible public health problems resulting from the release, the EPA plans to determine whether any environmental laws were broken.

James George, the company's environmental manager, said the emissions occurred when the acid plant was restarted after being shut down for maintenance. Environmental standards allow the plant to emit greater than normal amounts of sulfur dioxide when it is being fired up.

The releases of sulphur dioxide were once common from the copper smelters and adjacent sulphuric acid plants in Copperhill. Most of the trees for severeal miles around the plants were killed by the early 1900s, giving the area its barren hills.

The August incident, which caused many of the stately white pines of McCaysville to turn orange, was the first gas release to burn vegetation since the early 1970s.

Damage to the vegetation did not become apparent until several days after the release of sulpur dioxide.

Tennessee Chemical Co. is currently being operated by Boliden Intertrade A.G., a Swedish company, under an agreement signed in March 1990.

The terms of the agreement allow Boliden to operate the facility for a period of up to six months. While Boliden is not liable during this period for contamination resulting from past operating practices of previous operators, Boliden is liable for any environmental damage that may result during its operation of the facility.

Boliden has asked that the interim operating agreement be converted to a permanent agreement. This request is currently being evaluated by various federal agencies and the state of Tennessee.

Despite the damages, it does not appear that Tennessee Chemical violated

any state or federal environmental laws, said Jeryl Stewart of the Tennessee Division of Air Pollution Control.

But he said his agency is investigating to prevent it from happening again.

-30- 2664

#90240u1717 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Tue	Mon	Tue	Mon
Argntn austrl	.000162	.000163	6174.00	6144.00
Australia dlr	.8304	.8290	1.2042	1.2063
Austria schill	.0916	.0917	10.92	10.90
Belgium frnc-c	.0314	.0315	31.87	31.79
Belgium frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0142	.0143	70.20	70.10
Britain pound	1.9465	1.9430	.5137	.5147
Britain 1-mo	1.9360	1.9318	.5165	.5177
Britain 3-mo	1.9250	1.9116	.5195	.5231
Britain 6-mo	1.8875	1.8841	.5298	.5308
Canada dollar	.8760	.8759	1.1416	1.1417
Canada 1-mo	.8724	.8724	1.1462	1.1463
Canada 3-mo	.8660	.8662	1.1547	1.1545
Canada 6-mo	.8580	.8584	1.1655	1.1650
Chile peso-f	.003326	.003276	300.70	305.29
China yuan	.2693	.2693	3.7127	3.7127
Colombia pes	.001950	.001952	512.87	512.32
Denmark krne	.1688	.1689	5.9235	5.9205
Ecudr sucr-z	.001130	.001131	885.06	884.07
Egypt pound	.3755	.3769	2.6628	2.6530
Finlnd mrkka	.2737	.2741	3.6530	3.6480
France franc	.1923	.1923	5.2010	5.2010
France 1-mo	.1920	.1920	5.2086	5.2091
France 3-mo	.1913	.1917	5.2277	5.2178
France 6-mo	.1902	.1902	5.2575	5.2565
Greece drach	.006555	.006593	152.55	151.68
Hollnd guildr	.5722	.5720	1.7476	1.7481
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1287	7.7705	7.7720
India rupee	.0579	.0579	17.28	17.28
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000542	1844.00	1844.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082

Ireland punt	1.7295	1.7290	0.5782	0.5784
Israel shekel	.5045	.5045	1.9820	1.9820
Italy lira	.000872	.000870	1146.25	1149.00
Japan yen	.006969	.006940	143.50	144.10
Japan 1-mo	.006988	.006924	143.10	144.42
Japan 3-mo	.006978	.006935	143.30	144.20
Japan 6-mo	.007000	.006920	142.85	144.50
Jordan dinar	1.5420	1.5420	.6485	.6485
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico pes-z	.000347	.000348	2878.00	2876.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6275	.6262	1.5936	1.5969
Norway krne	.1666	.1666	6.0040	6.0010
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.52	21.52
Peru inti	.000003	.000003	344,750	344,750
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escd	.007355	.007352	135.97	136.02
Saudi riyal	.2674	.2674	3.7401	3.7401
Singapore dlr	.5674	.5640	1.7625	1.7730
S.Africa rand	.3934	.3944	2.5421	2.5356
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010417	.010438	96.00	95.80
Sweden krona	.1750	.1752	5.7130	5.7080
Switzrl franc	.7780	.7855	1.2853	1.2730
Switzrl 1-mo	.7779	.7854	1.2855	1.2733
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7774	.7847	1.2863	1.2744
Switzrl 6-mo	.7761	.7838	1.2885	1.2759
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.90	26.89
Turkey lira	.000376	.000376	2657.00	2657.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6628	3.6628
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0209	.0210	47.77	47.67
W.Ger Mark	.6446	.6452	1.5513	1.5500
W.Ger 1-mo	.6446	.6451	1.5514	1.5501
W.Ger 3-mo	.6442	.6449	1.5523	1.5507
W.Ger 6-mo	.6431	.6441	1.5550	1.5526
Yugosl dinar	.0941	.0919	10.63	10.88

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product

prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	25.30-25.35	25.26-25.31
North Sea Brent	28.20-28.25	27.40-27.50
West Texas Intermed	27.90-27.95	26.90-26.95
Light Louisiana Sweet	28.85-28.95	27.75-27.85
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	88.90-89.15	88.55-88.80
No. 2 Heating oil	78.00-78.25	76.60-76.85
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	88.55-88.90	87.80-88.05
No. 2 Heating oil	77.50-77.75	76.00-76.25

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Liberty Island was closed to the public Tuesday afternoon when scores of demonstrators, led by the Rev. Al Sharpton, began setting up tents under the gaze of the Statue of Liberty.

The national park was closed shortly after 1:30 p.m. when between 40-80 protesters began putting up tents in defiance of both a permit issued to the New Alliance Party and the instructions of park service personnel, Parks Service spokesman Manny Strumpf said.

Sharpton, Lenora Fulani, the party's gubernatorial candidate, and others were granted a permit allowing them to demonstrate near the park's flagpole, but instead began setting up tents on the park's grounds.

Federal law enforcement officials were at the scene considering whether to arrest the demonstrators, Strumpf said.

''Obviously, we want to prevent violence. We want to solve this amicably '' he said.

In a release, demonstrators said they were protesting homelessness and the current state of race relations in the city on the 27th anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s historic ''I Have a Dream'' speech in Washington, D.C.

The group also was to begin a petition drive to change the name of New York to ''New King'' in honor of the slain civil rights leader, the release said.

No violence was reported during the incident.

The island has been the scene of several protests in the 1980s.

In January 1986, police in Maine and Arizona received warnings that the Palestine Liberation Organization had planted a bomb on the Statue of Liberty, but a search of the 100-year-old landmark turned up no explosives.

Six years ago, four protesters climbed the scaffolding surrounding the statue, put in place during extensive renovation, and unfurled a banner urging and end to nuclear weapons testing.

Twice in 1982, Iranian students protesting the Khomeini regime staged demonstrations at the statue.

And in 1980, demonstrators demanding the release of a black activist in California scaled the face of the statue and displayed banners advocating their cause.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	246.00	247.50	245.50	247.10	247.10
Dec	249.00	250.00	249.00	249.80	250.10
Mar	....	....	....	253.20	253.60

Previous day volume: 78 contracts.
Open interest: 1,286 off 10.
CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	320.80	323.25	320.50	322.65	322.80
Dec	324.40	327.05	324.40	326.40	326.60
Mar	327.00	330.00	327.00	329.45	329.65
Jun	....	334.00	331.00	333.55	333.75

Today's estimated volume: 45,724 contracts.
Open interest: 142,233 off 1,551
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	175.70	177.25	175.70	176.80	176.85
Dec	177.50	179.25	177.50	178.80	178.85
Mar	180.40	180.85	180.40	180.80	180.85

Open interest: 5,758 off 246
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	533.50	534.75	530.60	533.40	534.35
Oct	535.30	536.25	533.50	535.60	536.60

Estimated volume 3,595 contracts.
Open interest: 7,032 up 400

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	382.86	up	1.59	379.68	466.57
Industrial	410.71	up	2.25	401.91	452.62
Finance	382.07	up	0.82	384.60	553.72
Insurance	446.09	up	2.56	449.70	534.74
Utility	505.00	up	1.52	518.01	733.51
Bank	284.10	up	0.73	286.07	489.85
Transport	419.24	off	2.30	422.57	464.80

Composite 1990 High 469.60
1990 Low 360.59
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	167.83	up	0.73
Industrial Index	162.47	up	0.93
NASDAQ-100 Index	389.81	up	1.86

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	53 7-8	off	5-8
AT&T Company	32 1-8	off 1	
BCE Corp	32 1-8	up	1-8
Bell Atlantic	41 5-8	off	7-8
BellSouth	50 3-8	off	5-8
Exxon Corp	50 1-8	up	1-2
Ford Motor	35 7-8	up	3-8
Genl Electric	63	off	1-2
Genl Motor	40 1-4	up 1	1-8
GTE Corp	25 1-4	off	1-4
IBM Corp	103 5-8	off	3-4
Mobil Corp	63 1-4	up 1	
Nynex Corp	70 1-8	off 1	3-4
Pac Gas & El	20 5-8	off	1-8
Pac Telesis	37 1-8	off	7-8
Phila Elec	15	off	1-8
Sears Roebuck	29	up	1-4
Southern Co	23	off	1-2
Swstrn Bell	48 1-8	off 1	
U S West Co	33 7-8	off 1	

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UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 28) UPI - The five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council agreed Tuesday on a proposal they hope will insure a ''just and lasting solution'' to the 11-year-old conflict in Cambodia.

Representatives of the United States, the Soviet Union, China, France and Britain urged the warring Cambodian factions to accept the proposed framework, worked out after eight months of negotiations in Paris and New York.

The permanent council members also asked the Cambodian factions to form a Supreme National Council, which would represent the country in the coming General Assembly session set to convene Sept. 18.

The five nations, who each have veto power over decisions of the 15-nation Security Council, said in a statement after a two-day meeting at U.N. headquarters that they have reached ''final agreement on a framework for a settlement.''

The framework is composed of five ''indispensable requirements'':

- Transitional arrangements regarding the administration of Cambodia

during the pre-election period;

- Military arrangements during the transitional period;

- U.N.-organized elections;

- Human rights protection, and

- International guarantees.

''These documents outline a settlement process based on national reconciliation and involving an enhanced United Nations role which would ensure a just and lasting political solution to the conflict,'' the statement said.

The documents will be presented to all parties involved in the conflict in the coming days and a U.S. official will meet Friday with the Vietnamese ambassador to the United Nations to discuss the agreement.

A successful implementation of the plan hinges on the acceptance by the Hanoi-backed government of Prime Minister Hun Sen in Pnom Penh and the three-party coalition government headed by Prince Norodom Sihanouk, which includes the Khmer Rouge and supporters of Son Sann, the statement said.

The Khmer Rouge was held responsible for the deaths of more than 1 million Cambodians during its three-year reign of terror beginning in 1975. The faction was ousted from power in December, 1978, when Vietnamese troops occupied Cambodia.

The Bush administration, bucking under widespread attacks that it was helping the Khmer Rouge faction, withdrew recognition in July of the Sihanouk's U.N.-recognized seat.

The five powers support an upcoming meeting in Jakarta of the four Cambodian factions to discuss formation of the Supreme National Council. But a senior U.S. official attending the talks said the major obstacle to the council remains ''the deep distrust and hostility among the factionsh.''

The U.S. delegation to the talks was headed by Assistant Secretary of State Richard Solomon; the four others by their U.N. ambassadors.

The statement said once the Supreme National Council is formed, the Paris conference should be reconvened to adopt ''elements of the comprehensive political settlement and draw up a detailed plan of implementation in accord with this framework.''

It called on the various Cambodian factions to exercise ''maximum

restraint'' in the battlefields so the political settlement could be carried out.

Diplomats said the council will be composed of 12 Cambodians chosen for their political stature and representing all sides in the conflict, apparently six from the Hun Sen government and the rest from Sihanouk's factions or exiled Cambodians.

The United Nations will assume a major role during the transition and will head the ministries of foreign affairs, defense, interior, information and transportation, the diplomats said.

Formation of the Supreme National Council is the most difficult part, they said. It was not immediately determined how much power the council would have on domestic and foreign affairs and how its working relationship with the United Nations will be.

The United Nations is expected to set up probably its largest peacekeeping force ever to oversee implementation of the comprehensive settlement. The senior U.S. official said 20,000 military and civilian personnel may be involved, costing between $2 billion and $3 billion.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.98	8.08	8.92
91-day Treasury bills	7.74	7.78	7.91
182-day Treasury bills	7.87	7.88	7.85
1-year Treasury bills	7.92	7.90	7.78
3-year Treasury notes	8.40	8.34	8.39
7-year Treasury notes	8.83	8.77	8.32
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	9.05	9.01	8.21
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.55	9.53	8.96
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.04	10.00	9.29
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.34	9.29	9.36
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.59	9.55	9.29
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.61	9.57	9.47
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.59	9.56	9.45

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Stocks closed slightly higher Tuesday in very light trading as the Dow gained in the last few minutes of action on official statements concerning the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which soared 78.71 Monday, its biggest gain of the year, rose 3.22 to close at 2614.85.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index added 0.08 to 176.26. The price of an average share edged up 1 cent. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index lost 0.10 to 321.34.

Advances led declines 812-662 among the 1,973 NYSE issues traded. Volume amounted to 127,650,000 shares, compared with the 160,150,000 traded Monday.

Stocks opened lower, with the Dow industrials down as much as 13 points, as traders took profits on the rallies of Friday and Monday, which took the blue-chip average up more than 128 points.

But the market rebounded as crude oil prices extended their plunge in early trading. October futures, which sank $4 a barrel Monday, were down 11 cents to $26.75 a barrel in the early going.

But by afternoon, oil prices turned higher. This pushed the blue chips back into the minus column and cut the lead of gaining issues over losers. Oil was up 74 cents a barrel in late trading.

Just before the close, however, the blue chips rallied to erase their losses on news that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, according to the Iraqi news agency, said all foreign women and children in Iraq were free to leave as of Wednesday, said Edward Nicoski, chief technical analyst at Piper, Jaffray and Hopwood in Minneapolis.

In Washington, a spokesman for the State Department task force on the Persian Gulf crisis said, ''We have heard such rumors, but only rumors.''

Even though the market rallied on that news, ''Without (gains in) the bonds the market couldn't go too far north,'' said Nicoski. Bond futures were down 19/32 in late trading.

''In a lot of stocks, though, it was just a technical reflex continuing from the past few days,'' he said. ''And volume was very light, it looked

like everybody went home. Partly it's because they're waiting for more news from the Mideast but regardless, no one wants to take a major stand before a three-day weekend.'' The market will be closed Monday for the Labor Day holiday.

On the trading floor, Philip Morris was the most active issue, up 1/4 to 45.

First Fidelity Bancorp followed, down 3/8 to 14 1/2. Boeing was third, down 1/2 to 47 7/8.

Among other blue chips, AT&T fell 1 to 32 1/8, IBM lost 1/2 to 103 3/4, General Electric fell 5/8 to 62 7/8 and American Express lost 3/4 to 23 5/8. But General Motors jumped 1 1/8 to 40 1/8 after being chosen by the United Auto Workers as the target company for 1990 contract talks in the industry.

Blue-chip oil issues rose in tandem with oil prices. Exxon rose 1/2 to 50 1/8, Chevron added 1 1/8 to 75 5/8 and Texaco jumped 1 3/4 to 62 3/4.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 157,698,910 shares, vs. 197,941,480 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices closed higher in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index rose 1.05 to 321.78. Advances led declines 312-238 among the 794 issues traded. The price of an average share rose 4 cents. Composite volume totaled 12,331,100 shares vs. 20,164,000 traded Monday.

PaineWebber's call warrants on the Tokyo market's Nikkei index led the Amex issues, up 1 to 7 1/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 1.59 to 382.86.

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NANTUCKET, MA (AUG. 28) UPI - A fishing boat collided with a Greek freighter and sank Tuesday morning in fog off Nantucket Island and three of the five crewmen on the fishing boat were missing, the Coast Guard said.

The Coast Guard said the 80-foot New England, out of New Bedford, ''sank immediately'' following the 7:35 a.m. collision with the 600-foot Euro Joy.

A small boat lowered from the Euro Joy rescued the captain and a crew

member from the New England. They were treated and released at Cape Cod Hospital, the Coast Guard said.

The captain of the New England told the Coast Guard three other crewmen were still missing.

''We were able to talk to the master of the fishing vessel. He gave us a description of what happened,'' said Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer Gregory Creedon. ''The ship hit them right on the deckhouse where the men were sleeping. It turned turtle and sank like a rock.''

The missing fishermen were identified as Antonio Fernandez, Ederitu Ribav, and Carlos DiCosta, all of New Bedford.

Three Coast Guard cutters, a helicopter, and a jet were dispatched to the scene to search for the missing men. Two other fishing ships in the area also assisted in the search.

The Greek vessel was en route to Norfolk, Va., from Boston, where it had unloaded a cargo of salt.

''They apparently suffered no damage,'' Creedon said. The Coast Guard allowed the Euro Joy to continue to Norfolk, where the crew would be questioned further by Coast Guard investigators, Creedon said.

Visibility at the time of the collision was about a half-mile in foggy conditions, the Coast Guard said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	7	10	11
New lows	66	61	427

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	831	55,809,000
Declines	659	52,281,000
Unchanged	480	19,560,000
Total	1,970	127,650,000

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(AUG. 28) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	4
New lows	39

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	312	5,665,600
Declines	230	2,282,800
Unchanged	238	2,331,600
Total	780	10,280,000

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(AUG. 28) UPI - After a slow start, oil prices rebounded Tuesday as the market reassessed the prior day's plunge as an overreaction to reports that Iraq had ordered its ship captains not to challenge the U.S. blockade.

''Peace is not at hand,'' said Michael McDermott of Paine Webber Inc. in New York.

''It was more of a bounce-back after Monday's sharp sell-off,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading at New York's United Energy Inc.

McDermott said that Monday's $4-a-barrel plunge in the price for West Texas Intermediate crude took the market back to where it was about a week ago and that he expected WTI prices to return soon to last week's range of $30 a barrel to $31 a barrel.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery ended the day 97 cents above Monday's close at $27.88 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, after trading as low as $26.70 a barrel earlier.

The price was $6.34 a barrel above the level prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, which threw markets into turmoil.

Unleaded gasoline for September delivery was up 0.97 cent to 88.53 cents a gallon, after trading as high as 90 cents and as low as 85.75 cents a gallon.

Even with Monday's 17-cent decline, unleaded gasoline is still trading 24.26 cents higher than it had been before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion sent oil markets in retreat to higher ground.

September home heating oil shot up 1.42 cents to 79.52 cents a gallon, 18.33 cents higher than its level prior to the invasion.

Sun Co., Radnor, Pa.; Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp. and Houston's Conoco subsidiary of Du Pont raised the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead by $1 a barrel to $26.50 a barrel

for WTI. They had lowered the price $4 Monday.

The Merc started off slowly with traders waiting for sellers to follow through on Monday's price collapse, McDermott said.

''Once it saw the sellers were satisfied, the market started to buy,'' he said.

''Crude got stronger as the day wore on,'' Bentz said.

Randall Rothenberg of New York's Dean Witter Reynolds International Energy Futures Group said the buying surge was triggered by a story around 11:00 a.m. EDT that Iraq now considers Kuwait one of its provinces.

That drove WTI up over $27.40 a barrel, setting off buy orders at that resistance level, Rothenberg said. Buying then picked up steam, he said.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, where WTI barrels are bought and sold to the highest bidder, WTI rose $1 to $27.90 a barrel.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold to the highest bidder, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - edged up 4 cents to $25.30 a barrel.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent crude gained 80 cents to $28.20 a barrel.

The market apparently had discounted and was unaffected by a majority of OPEC's oil ministers agreeing in Vienna to a temporary rise in output to offset production lost as a result of the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports.

A meeting Tuesday of members of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to formalize the accord was postponed to Wednesday, apparently to give the opposition of Iraq, Iran and Libya more time to study the proposal.

Iran, however, walked out of the cartel's meeting in protest, while Iraq and Libya had refused to send a delegation to the talks.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	176.56	175.79	176.26	up 0.08

Industrial	221.28	220.14	221.28	up 0.78
Transport	140.65	139.65	139.76	off 1.37
Utility	82.85	82.16	82.16	off 0.92
Finance	124.00	123.60	123.60	off 0.33

Equivalent to a gain of 1 cent in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 127,650,000 shares.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) - In every extended crisis the passage of time becomes an element in the contest, and some experts said Tuesday they believe that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein may be the chief beneficiary from a long crisis.

The key, according to analysts in and out of government, is patience and resilience. Democracies, they point out, especially working in combination with other governments and torn by internal politics, are notorious for their lack of long-term cohesion.

That appeared to be the underlying fear in the mind of Australian Foreign Minister Gareth Evans as he told a news conference Tuesday, ''It is absolutely crucial that we all stay the course ... be prepared to sit this out as long as it takes.''

U.S. officials said that the underlying strategy from the beginning has been to rely on the worldwide economic embargo to isolate Iraq economically and politically, while the military force in the Middle East would be available to protect against an irrational Iraqi attack.

In time, the strategy said, the embargo would begin to be felt and would translate into dissatisfaction against Saddam's military adventures.

As one official said, ''We believe that Iraq's move into Kuwait was done quickly, without any long buildup of food or preparation of ammunition reserves. Its foreign currency reserves were practically zero, and since Iraq hasn't sold any oil, it is going broke.

''This is not Germany, which stood up to an embargo for eight years during World War II. This is a dirt-poor nation, exhausted by a long war with Iran, and close to the subsistence point at the beginning.''

But, reports from Iraq received by the State Department this week said that with the exception of bread, food supplies in Baghdad appear to be relatively normal and nobody appears to be starving, or close to it.

William Quandt, a former National Security official now with the Brookings Institution, said, ''For the moment, time is our ally. Economic pressures will be considerable.''

But he said that could change after several weeks when the whole operation reaches a plateau.''Then,'' he said, ''The question becomes: how long can we sustain it and keep our allies eager to sustain it?''

Robert Hunter, a military analyst with the Center for Strategic and International Studies, a Washington think tank, said, ''The longer the crisis goes, the more time becomes an ally of Saddam Hussein.''

Hunter said that the costs will begin to mount in the military operation. The Pentagon estimated Tuesday that the transportation of forces to the gulf area will cost $2.5 billion, double the estimate of $1.2 billion which was made at the beginning of Operation Desert Shield.

As time goes on, Hunter said, the costs will mount further and the original enthusiasm for the multinational operation will begin to evaporate, particularly if the western economies begin to suffer from the costs.

At some point, Hunter said, the pressure will begin to squeeze President Bush with advisers and critics saying, ''If you don't act, the cohesion of the Allied powers will collapse.''

In the meantime, Saddam Hussein, with his control over his country's media will continue to push the line that he is the successor to Gamal Abdel Nasser, the Egyptian leader who became a pan-Arab hero by defying Israel and the western powers.

Hunter pointed out that Nasser was able to survive and prosper politically even though he lost two disastrous wars in 1956 and 1967 because of his defiant image as the defender of Arab honor.

One U.S. official, who served through the 444 days of the Iranian hostage crisis, said that it is inherent that pressure - built by media attention and the national sympathy for the hostages and their families - tends to work against the country whose nationals are being kept hostage.

The official said that Saddam is apparently playing that angle for what it is worth, doing nightly television appearances with groups of the hostages and permitting some of them to send taped messages home.

The official said the emotions of the Iranian hostage crisis would be dwarfed by the feedback created by thousands of hostages translated, he said, into pressure on Bush to make concessions and back down on his

absolute insistence that Saddam withdraw from Kuwait.

Quandt, who was in the Carter administration during the Iranian hostage crisis, said, ''So far, the hostage issue has worked against Saddam. It has shown the world just what kind of man he is.''

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - U.S. gasoline stocks fell 3 million barrels last week as imports declined, but widely used unleaded stayed above last year's levels, the American Petroleum Institute reported Tuesday.

For the week ended Aug. 24, the oil industry's weekly survey showed gasoline supplies dropped to 210.9 million barrels from 214.0 million barrels in the prior week and stayed well below year-ago levels of 223.5 million barrels.

Stocks of unleaded gasoline, which accounts for 90 percent of the domestic market, also fell to 162.5 million barrels from 165.3 million barrels a week earlier but remained higher than year-ago levels of 159.9 million barrels.

Gasoline imports declined substantially to 287,000 barrels daily from 545,000 barrels daily in the previous week and were well below year-ago imports of 515,000 barrels daily.

Gasoline production held steady at 7.2 million barrels daily, the same level as in the previous week, but higher than year-ago output of 6.9 million barrels daily.

U.S. refineries operated at 92.4 percent of capacity last week, compared with 92.3 percent a week earlier and 91.2 percent a year ago.

Crude oil inventories, however, rose to 376.6 million barrels from 375.7 million barrels in the prior week and remained well above year-ago levels of 337.3 million barrels.

Crude oil imports edged up to 6.6 million barrels a day from 6.5 million barrels a day in the previous week and were higher than year-ago imports of 6.5 million barrels a day.

Imports of all refined products fell to 2.2 million barrels daily from 3.2 million barrels daily in the preceding week but equaled year-ago imports of 2.2 million barrels daily.

Inventories of distillate - used for home-heating oil and diesel fuel - rose to 124.0 million barrels from 121.6 million barrels a week earlier

and were above year-ago levels of 116.3 million barrels.

Distillate remained steady at 3.1 million barrels, the same level as the preceding week but higher than year-ago output of 3.0 million barrels daily.

Distillate imports fell to 360,000 barrels a day from 452,000 barrels a day in the previous week but were higher than year-ago imports of 220,000 barrels a day.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - International investors shifted out of the German mark and the Swiss franc into the Japanese yen Tuesday on the perception of a lessened chance of Mideast war, boosting the dollar in the process.

Currency dealers and analysts said the Swiss franc, which soared last week on an influx of funds seeking a hiding place from Mideast turbulence, particularly lost its appeal against the yen.

The dollar also gained as investors bought the U.S. unit on their way into the Japanese currency. The dollar and the yen alike have suffered in the Iraq crisis from fears soaring oil prices would batter their economies.

''The yen and the dollar, which were the two victims last week, benefited from the softness in oil prices this week,'' said currency analyst Lisa Finstrom of Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc.

Late in the New York foreign exchange session, the dollar was quoted at 1.5540 German marks, up from 1.5515 Monday, and at 1.2860 Swiss francs, up from 1.2740 the day before.

But the dollar lost ground against the Japanese currency, changing hands at 143.70 yen compared with Monday's 144.20.

Barry O'Sullivan, Union Bank of Switzerland's chief trader,said the movement towards diplomatic channels in the U.S.-Iraqi faceoff over the invasion of Kuwait and Iraq's holding of foreign hostages set the tone in a quiet market.

But Michael McGuinness, a currency vice president with Chicago's Harris Trust and Savings Bank, said trading still turns on Persian Gulf events.

''With Americans being held hostage in Iraq, you've got the dollar being held hostage in this situation,'' he said.

Other New York dollar rates: 5.2160 French francs, up from 5.2075; and

1,149 Italian lire, down from 1,149.50 lire.

The British pound slipped to $1.9425 from $1.9445.

In Europe, the dollar recovered against the main currencies in quiet trading, but sentiment on the U.S. unit remained bearish.

Players in several European markets began to buy dollars again after shunning the U.S. unit in recent sessions. Trading was choppy.

''The dollar is doing better, but the market sees it as likely to get weaker because of (anticipated) lower U.S. interest rates ... and a possible recession in the U.S.,'' said Midland Bank treasury economist Tim Fox.

The dollar rose in Frankfurt, to 1.5515 German marks from 1.5490 Monday, andin Zurich, to 1.2815 Swiss francs from 1.2725.

In London, the pound gained further on the dollar to end at $1.9480 compared with $1.9440 Friday. British markets were closed Monday.

In Paris and Brussels, the dollar rose, to 5.1895 French francs vs. 5.1710 and to 31.81 Belgian francs vs. 31.75. But it fell against the Italian lire, supported by high home interest rates, to end at 1,144.95 lire against 1,145.65 in Milan trading.

In Tokyo, the dollar hit an eight-month low against the yen as money players focused on the poor U.S. economic outlook and, consequently, the likelihood of lower U.S. short-term interest rates.

The dollar closed at 143.20 yen, down from 144.80 Monday, as players actively traded dollars for yen, said Katsunobu Motohashi, a foreign exchange manager at Yasuda Trust and Banking Co.

Gold prices plunged as investors acted on lessened Gulf tensions, closing in Zurich at $387 an ounce from $401.50 and in London at $382.37 an ounce vs. $411.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $384.75 an ounce, off again from $389 Monday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $385 an ounce, down from $388.30.

Silver eased in Zurich and London, to $4.85 an ounce from $5.05 and to $4.82 an ounce from $5.14, respectively.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.865 an ounce, down from $4.87. Comex silver finished at $4.84 an ounce, off from $4.848.

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#90240u1891 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

GAINESVILLE, FL (AUG. 28) UPI - A young man and woman were found slain in an apartment near the terror-stricken University of Florida campus Tuesday and police said they appeared to be victims of the same killer who mutiliated the bodies of three female students earlier this week.

Police Chief Wayland Clifton Jr. said no suspects had been identified and refused to say how the latest victims died or whether their bodies had been mutilated.

Managers at the complex where the two most recent killings occurred circulated a flier warning, "We have been told that the person is gaining entrance by posing as a maintenance worker." Clifton said police had no information confirming that.

"It's clear this part of the country has some maniac on the loose," University of Florida President John Lombardi said. "We can't emphasize too much that students and other members of the community have to be keenly and intensely aware of security issues."

All five bodies were found in private apartments in southwest Gainesville, within two miles of the University of Florida campus, and Clifton said, "We have every reason to believe that all the bodies found are all connected to one or two suspects." The bodies found Tuesday at the Gatorwood apartment complex were apparently those of a young woman and her boyfriend, authorities said.

A neighbor, Dave Dunham of Sarasota, a student at the school, said both victims also attended the university and were from Miami, but police would not confirm that. He said the young man was a junior who had just transferred to the university after two years at Santa Fe Junior College in Gainesville. "He was a big guy, he worked out, he was on the crewing team. He's the last one you would think couldn't take care of himself," Dunham said.

Investigators acknowledged that the first three victims had been mutilated but refused to elaborate. The Gainesville Sun, quoting unidentified sources, said at least one of the young women was decapitated and one or more of the victims' nipples had been cut off.

On Monday police and sheriff's departments set up a 60-member task force to investigate the slayings. Forty-six more officers from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and the Florida Highway Patrol arrived in Gainesville Tuesday, along with two FBI teams specializing in serial murders.

The FDLE also sent the crime lab experts who helped catch serial killer Ted Bundy, who was executed last year for the 1978 bludgeoning murders of two sorority sisters at Florida State University in Tallahassee.

"We're doing everything possible to follow up on every lead, every shred of evidence," Clifton said. "In the next few days, after 8 p.m., you'll see more patrol officers than in any city in the country."

The killings terrified the college community. Several students left the Gatorwood complex Tuesday clutching pillows and packed suitcases. "I'm not staying here tonight, that's for sure," said Tina Randle, a Lakewood junior. "I'm scared."

Another student, Mark Andreozzi, said he and a roommate greeted a carpet cleaner with an ax and a baseball bat when the cleaner knocked on their door unexpectedly. "We're going to get a gun after this," he said.

Frightened and angry students shouted at Clifton during an afternoon news conference. When the police chief refused to say whether the victims' homes had been entered forcibly, they yelled, "How are we supposed to know? ... Can we feel safe? ... Should we go home?"

A univeristy escort service increased patrols to walk students home from night classes, and the Guardian angels sent patrols from Tampa, West Palm Beach and New York.

An alumni group and a Gainsesville radio station set up emergency telephone banks so students, many still without phones, could call home and reassure worried parents. Many students said they would feel safer in univerity housing, but the school can accommodate only 9,200 of its 34,000 students.

Lombardi said any women who did not feel safe off campus would be assigned living space in university buildings. Churches also offered to house women at night, and students were urged to hold slumber parties.

Lombardi said school administrators "thought long and hard about suspending classes or closing the university," but decided against it because none of the murders had occurred on campus.

The two University of Florida freshman found dead Sunday afternoon were identified as Christina P. Powell, 17, of Jacksonville, who was found in the living room of her apartment, and Sonya Larson, 18, of Deerfield Beach who was found in a bedroom.

The third victim, found Monday morning, was identified as Christa Hoyt, 18 a student at Santa Fe Community College. She was found lying on the floor of her apartment after she failed to report to work for a midnight shift as a clerk at the Alachua County Sheriff's Department, Mann said. Clifton

said the killings appeared to have occurred in the same order that their bodies were found.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Tuesday offered to release all foreign women and children currently being held in the country, the official Iraqi News Agency said.

''President Saddam Hussein ordered that all foreign children and women in Iraq would be free to stay or leave Iraq whenever they feel, including the families hosted by Iraq, as from tomorrow Wednesday, August 29th,'' INA said in a one-paragraph dispatch from Baghdad.

In Washington, a spokesman for the State Department task force on the Persian Gulf crisis said: ''We have heard such rumors. But only rumors.''

The announcement came only hours after Saddam appeared in a televised meeting with foreign hostages and proposed a TV debate with President Bush and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

''For my part, being responsible here in Iraq, I'm prepared now for direct talks with President Bush and Mrs. Thatcher immediately,'' Saddam said. ''And if they wish ... Let's have a debate on television for the whole world to see.''

Shortly after Saddam spoke, the State Department reported his government has rounded up nine more Americans during the past 24 hours, bringing to 70 the confirmed number of Americans in the custody of Iraqi authorities.

As Bush interrupted his Maine vacation to meet with congressional leaders in Washington, the State Department blamed Iraq for the death of an unidentified American hostage who suffered a heart attack in Basra, Iraq.

''Clearly, being used as a human shield and being deprived of one's liberty is a source of severe stress,'' said State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler.

The State Department said the Iraqi government had promised to turn the man's body over to the American consulate in Baghdad. It was not clear when the man, a private citizen believed in to be in his mid-50s, died.

Iraq continued to put out mixed signals Tuesday. While Saddam released a British family, his government announced it was designating occupied Kuwait an Iraqi province.

In what the Iraqi News Agency described a ''the most beautiful gift,''

Saddam gave permission for the unidentified British family to return home after he apparently met with them. The British Foreign Office said it was investigating the report but could not independently confirm it, and Saudi Foreign Minister Saud al Faisal said the move was the latest measure designed to abort hope for peace.

Shortly after the announcement, Iraqi television broadcast a meeting between Saddam and a group of unidentified Westerners under Iraqi control.

In his second such appearance in a week, Saddam mixed threats against the United States and its allies with appeals for a peaceful resolution to the conflict.

''If war were to come about ... Iraq would lose sons, women and children, and the aggressive countries would also lose their own men, women and children,'' Saddam said.

''So if the United States were to attack our installations in which we have women, children and civilians accomodated, these people would be killed,'' Saddam said, leaving it unclear if he was referring to Iraqis or foreigners believed held at strategic installations.

A government-run Iraqi newspaper has described foreign nationals detained in Iraq and Kuwait against their will as a weapon ''in the battle of history.''

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, leading Arab efforts to secure Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait, begged Hussein for ''just one word that would save us from catastrophes for years to come.''

Syrian President Hafez Assad and Mubarak met in the latest round of diplomatic efforts to prevent a Middle East war. Jordan's King Hussein completed talks in Tunisia and traveled to Algeria as part of his personal efforts to find an ''Arab solution'' to end the crisis.

Several U.S. legislators also held talks on the Gulf crisis with Mubarak Tuesday, including Senate minority leader Robert Dole, R-Kan., and Georgia Democrat Sam Nunn, chairman of the Senate Armed Forces Committee.

The diplomatic efforts came as the U.S. fleet in the Red Sea intensified the interception of ships heading toward Jordan to make sure the U.N.-mandated economic embargo against Iraq was not violated.

Iraq has reportedly ordered its tankers not to run the U.S.-led blockade in a move Western diplomats said indicated Saddam's attempt to avoid a military confrontation.

Shipping sources in the Jordanian port of Aqaba said U.S. warships Tuesday

prevented a Chinese cargo vessel from entering the Gulf of Aqaba. The sources said the ship was to unload ''general cargo'' bound for Jordan and Iraq. No details were available, and the report could not be independently confirmed.

''Last week, cargo was slipping through,'' one shipping source said. ''Now they (U.S. naval vessels) seem to be tightening up quite a bit.''

Assad and Mubarak met for five hours Tuesday in the Mediterranean city of Alexandria and discussed ways to reach a ''suitable Arab solution to the Iraqi-Kuwaiti crisis with the aim of preventing a terrible catastrophe from happening,'' Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported.

Mubarak said he hoped Iraq would not ''commit provocative actions'' that would compel a strike by foreign countries whose citizens Iraq holds. In answering one question, Mubarak reiterated an earlier proposal and said no countries could oppose a reciprocal withdrawal of Iraqi and foreign forces with their replacement by an all-Arab force.

''I would be the first to stand against the foreign presence in the area if Iraq withdrew from Kuwait,'' Mubarak said. ''All Arabs will have one stand against the foreign presence when Saddam gets his troops out of Kuwait.''

The Baghdad government announced the oil-rich occupied state had become the 19th administrative province of Iraq. Iraq insists its has historical rights to Kuwait and British colonialism was to blame for the division.

The Iraqi News Agency Tuesday again published Saddam's Aug. 12 initiative.

In his proposal, Saddam called for the withdrawal of Israel from the occupied Arab territories and Syria from Lebanon, resolution to Iraqi and Iranian territorial disputes and subsequent ''arrangements for the case of Kuwait.'' American and other foreign troops also would withdraw from the region and the economic sanctions would end under Saddam's plan.

Calls for the Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and release of foreigners held by Saddam are the two primary points U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar plans to concentrate on during his talks Thursday in Amman with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday:

Stock	Volume	Close	Chg.

Novell Inc	(NOVL)	$77,370,952	26 1/2	up	2 1/2
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	67,332,624	62 7/8	up	2 1/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	58,966,612	33 3/8	off	1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	44,299,492	35 5/8	off	5/8
Oracle Systm	(ORCL)	40,819,516	12 3/8	off	1 7/8
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	35,885,308	29 5/8	up	3/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	33,494,194	67 3/4	off	1/4
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	32,743,996	50 1/8	off	1 5/8
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	26,193,490	38 1/8	up	3/8
Intl Lease	(ILFC)	24,943,096	29 3/4	up	1/2

Composite Index 167.83 up 0.73

NMS volume 92,176,000 shares.

Advances	864
Declines	671
Unchanged	1,286
Total	2,821

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Genl Motors	1,731,300	40 1/4	up	1 1/8
Philip Morris	1,662,100	45	up	1/4
Wal-Mart Stores	1,658,800	28 7/8	off	1/8
LA Gear	1,546,400	15 1/4	up	7/8
Boeing Co	1,470,300	47 7/8	off	1/2
Genl Electric	1,352,300	62 7/8	off	5/8
Exxon Corp	1,329,000	50 1/8	up	1/2
AT&T Co	1,293,000	32 1/8	off	1
Texas Util	1,239,900	34	off	1/4
Fst Fid Bcp	1,235,900	14 1/2	off	3/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,208,400	30 5/8	up	3/8
South Co	1,169,800	23	off	1/2
Waste Management	1,101,500	37	off	1 1/8
Ford Motor	1,089,700	35 7/8	up	3/8
Noestrn Util	1,037,600	18 1/2	up	1/4

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.

Composite	383.33	380.51	382.86	up	1.59
Industrial	411.58	407.48	410.71	up	2.25
Finance	382.62	381.13	382.07	up	0.82
Insurance	447.19	443.01	446.09	up	2.56
Utility	507.00	499.69	505.00	up	1.52
Bank	284.49	281.59	284.10	up	0.73
Transport	422.02	417.54	419.24	off	2.30

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60
1990 Low (8-23) 360.22
NASDAQ National Market System indexes
(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	167.83 up 0.73
Industrial Index	162.47 up 0.93
NASDAQ-100 Index	389.81 up 1.86
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.71 up 0.05
Volume	92,176,000 shares
Advances	864
Declines	671
Unchanged	1,286
Total	2,821

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#90240u1993 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) UPI - Citing hazards to wildlife posed by the rapid expansion of ''dolphin feeding'' cruises, the government Tuesday moved to outlaw all public feeding of wild dolphins, seals and other marine mammals.

In proposed regulations published in the Federal Register, the National Marine Fisheries Service would ban commercial tour operators and indivduals from feeding any marine mammal in U.S. coastal waters. The public has 45 days to comment on the rule, which probably will take effect at the first of the year, officials said.

William Fox Jr., assistant administrator for the fisheries service, said: ''We are very worried that feeding marine mammals in the wild will disrupt their natural eating habits and would have negative effects on marine mammal populations.''

The Department of the Interior already forbids the feeding of wild animals in national parks and other federal property.

Roddy Moscoso, a spokesman for the fisheries service, said the agency decided to ban feeding marine mammals in response to the recent emergence of day cruises that allowed tourists to feed wild dolphins in the South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico.

Among the resort areas where dolphin feeding trips have become a major attraction are Hilton Head, S.C., Jekyll Island, Ga., Panama City, Fla., Clearwater, Fla. and Galveston and Port Aransas, Texas, Moscoso said.

''It really expanded rapidly over the past couple years. They feed them everything from dead fish from fishermen to frozen fish products,'' he said.

Fisheries service staff found that in areas where the dolphins had been fed heavily, they tended to congregate around any boat - increasing the risk they would be injured by propellers or caught by fisherman, Moscono said.

Another threat posed by feeding is the possibility that the easy food source could interfere with the normal timing of dolphin migrations by making them reluctant to leave the feeding region, he said.

Although the proposed ban stems from the mushrooming of the dolphin feeding industry, Moscoso said it would also bring a halt to the smaller problem of the feeding sea lions in California's Monterey Bay and other West Coast locations.

The proposed rule, which would be enforced by the Coast Guard, does not specify any penalties for people who break the law, Moscoso said.

Mark Maurer, a captain for Adventure Cruises in Hilton Head, S.C., said dolphin feeding cruises have been his company's most popular tour this summer.

During a typical trip on the 150-seat ''The Holiday,'' about 5 pounds of frozen cigar minnows and Spanish sardines would be thrown out to attract three or four bottle-neck dolphins for tourists to watch or photograph. The cost of a trip was $11 for adults and $5.50 for children.

Despite the popularity, Maurer said the new ban is ''fine with me,'' saying his company only started added feeding to its previous ''dolphin watch'' tours after a competitor started the practice. ''I'd just as soon not mess with it, it's an extra expense,'' he said.

However, the boat captain noted the dolphins never seemed to station themselves in the same spot at the same place every day like many other animals dependent on human hand-outs.

The new proposed restrictions come four months after the Marine Fisheries Service drew fire from some conservation groups for renewing permits to three marine parks in Florida and a hotel in Hawaii to use captive dolphins to swim with paying customers.

The agency also stirred controversy a year ago for allowing a Las Vegas casino owner to put live bottle-nose dolphins on display at his new hotel and gambling resort.

Critics argue that commercial dolphin attractions and swim-along programs amount to exploitation of a sensitive, intelligent species and could ultimately lead to more of the marine mammals being taken from the wild.

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#90240u1996 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) UPI - When Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., met with Vietnamese officials this month, he came in for a surpise when the talk turned to books.

The communists in Hanoi, like millions of U.S. college students before them, apparently are turning to Nobel Prize-winner Paul Samuelson's classic textbook for lessons on how a market economy works.

Lugar said Tuesday that Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach told him that 40,000 copies of Samuelson's ''Economics'' had been copied - without the author's permission - for distribution in his country.

However, the Vietnamese were a little behind, since Lugar said they copied the 11th edition of the text. A spokesman for Samuelson, a professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Techonology, said the book is now available in a 13th edition in the United States.

Lugar, who visited Hanoi Aug. 18-20 during a seven-nation Asian diplomatic mission requested by the Bush administration, said the interest in Samuelson, as well as such conservative American economists as Milton Freidman, reflects a current move toward market economic reforms in Vietnam.

Lugar, a former chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said officials told him the price of rice in Vietnam is now based on supply and demand, subsidies have been eliminated for farmers, ownership of homes and cars is permitted and farmers can get leases for their land.

Although Lugar said the government of Vietnam remains authoritarian, he expressed hope that the move toward economic reform and signs of cooperation with the United States could lead to a resumption of some commercial trade. A U.S. economic embargo against Vietnam has been in place since 1975.

Lugar said the Vietnamese ''were prepared'' to support free elections in Cambodia, where the Vietnamese-installed government is fighting a civil

war against a rebel coalition that includes the Khmer Rouge, whose reign of terror in the late 1970s killed at least 1 million Cambodians.

Lugar said the Vietnamese also assured him they had withdrawn their troops from Cambodia, a requirement for better relations with the United States, and had offered to help Americans search for the remains of missing servicemen.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Paine Webber Gr wtB	539,600	7 1/4	up	1
Echo Bay Mn	456,700	13 1/4	up	3/8
ENSCO	419,500	4	unch	
Eksport wt	321,900	7 5/8	up	1 1/8
Salomon wtJn	320,200	15 1/2	up	7/8
Denmark K wt	285,200	16 5/8	up	1 1/8
Corona Corp A	261,000	5 5/8	up	1/4
Bolar Pharm	257,500	4	off	5/8
Magma Copper	198,100	5 3/8	unch	
Salomon wtFb	184,700	16 3/8	up	7/8

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#90240u2061 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) UPI - President Bush won bipartisan support Tuesday from congressional leaders for his Persian Gulf policy, and warned that Iraq will pay a ''stiff price'' if it does not withdraw from Kuwait.

Bush interrupted his Maine vacation to brief the Republican and Democratic leaders and 150 other members of key military and foreign affairs committees on developments in the aftermath of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''Let no one at home doubt my commitment to work with the Congress and let no one abroad doubt our national unity or our staying power,'' Bush told the lawmakers.

''Meeting the crisis in the Persian Gulf is not something that I or this administration can do by ourselves,'' Bush declared. ''We can only succeed if all of us - executive and legislative, Republican and Democrat - work together.''

Judging from the reaction to the hourlong meeting, Bush succeeded in

winning strong backing from the Republican and Democratic leaders.

''I think what was evident today,'' said House Speaker Tom Foley, D-Wash., ''is there is very strong support for the president's actions, actions of the administration in meeting this crisis in the gulf.''

''The president was personally commended by Democrats and Republicans, senators and House members across the board, for his own particular efforts in bringing together an international effort to isolate Saddam Hussein,'' Foley told reporters.

Added Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell, D-Maine: ''Insofar as Saddam Hussein and the government of Iraq are concerned, they should be aware that the American Congress stands squarely behind President Bush in the policy which calls upon Iraq to unconditionally and immediately withdraw from Kuwait.''

Vice President Dan Quayle and Secretary of State James Baker, as well as an array of other of top ranking officials, broke off their vacations to be on hand for the Middle East policy review.

It was prompted by congressional complaints that there had not been enough communication with the White House during the Middle East crisis.

''The basic elements of our strategy are now in place,'' Bush told the lawmakers, stressing that ''our intention and indeed the intention of almost every country in the world is to persuade Iraq to withdraw'' from Kuwait.

The president also said Iraq must be convinced that ''it cannot benefit from this illegal occupation, that it will pay a stiff price for trying to hold on and even a stiffer price for widening the conflict.''

''We seek,'' Bush added, ''to achieve these goals without further violence.''

The only stated concerns during the congressional briefing related to the cost of the massive mobilization for ''Operation Desert Shield'' and the need to continue to ensure that the public is aware of the goals and burden, the lawmakers said.

''The president, I think, needs to outline what the bottom line is for us '' Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, told a news conference shortly before the meeting.

And when Foley and Mitchell emerged from the briefing, they both said Bush did not have a ''blank check'' for spending on the Middle East crisis.

''The answer is, of course, 'no,''' Mitchell said. ''Approval of past action is not approval of all future action without knowing what that action will be.''

Rep. William Gray, D-Pa., predicted Bush would have continued popular backing ''provided we do not get into a protracted struggle where the goals are not clear and where there is a loss of life and there does not seem to be an opportunity for victory.''

Bush told the gathering that U.N.-ordered economic sanctions, placing a virtual embargo on trade with Iraq, were ''in effect and have been working remarkably well'' and that cargo that had been moving through the Jordanian port of Aqaba ''has come virtually to a halt.''

Following his meeting with lawmakers, the president met in the Oval Office with Omani Foreign Minister Yusuf bin Alawi. The foreign minister of the Iraqi neighbor said he hoped Saddam will realize his claims to Kuwait are not accepted by the internaitonal community.

''I hope, as we did in the past, to see him be courageous enough to take a decision to comply with international desires,'' the minister added.

Bush planned to remain in the nation's capital until Thursday afternoon, when he will fly back to his Kennebunkport summer estate to finish his vacation. He is scheduled to return to Washington on Labor Day.

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#90240u2067 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - Iraq today announced that, starting tomorrow, all foreign women and children, including those ''hosted by Iraq,'' are free to leave. In Washington, the State Department reacted by saying- quote- ''we have heard such rumors, but only rumors.''

The Pentagon says shipping to and from Iraq has virtually stopped. But the U-S presence in the region is proving costly. The Pentagon is doubling its estimated cost of Operation Desert Shield in Saudia Arabia to two-and-a-half-BILLION dollars through September 30th.

President Bush is getting words of support from unlikely quarters. Former vice-presidential candidate Geraldine Ferraro says she backs Bush's actions in the Persian Gulf. The Democrat added- quote- ''would you believe I just complimented George Bush?''

About three-point-one-Million federal government employees nation-wide received notices this week of a possible government furlough that could start as early as October 1st, depending on the outcome of budget cutting.

The Labor Department later this week begins inspections of petro-chemical firms employing more than 25-hundred people. The inspections follow a blast last year that killed 22 people at a Phillips Petroleum plant in Texas.

It could be described as a presidential catch. President Bush's spokesman says his boss was fishing with his son when Jeb Bush cast out a fishing line and the hook landed in Bush's right ear lobe. Bush was described as fine.

Negotiations to end Liberia's civil war began today, but NO representatives of the country's three warring factions showed up. The talks are being held in Gambia under the sponsorship of the Economic Community of West African States.

Anti-government protesters in Romania ignored a government ban on demonstrations by gathering in Bucharest's main square for a sixth day today. Dozens of people chanted anti-government slogans. Police did NOT intervene.

A Wisconsin coroner ruled that blues guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan died of massive internal and head injuries suffered in a helicopter crash early yesterday. The Grammy award-winning guitarist and four other people died when the chopper hit a ski hill near East Troy.

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#90240u2078 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

FAIRBANKS, AK (AUG. 28) UPI - America's need for energy - and a national energy policy - sent Washington bureaucrats north Tuesday to see the giant Prudhoe Bay oil field and consider whether to let oil companies look for more crude beneath the tundra of a nearby wildlife refuge.

Government and industry leaders urged Deputy Energy Secretary W. Henson Moore to make oil development of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge a key part of the 40-year national energy strategy he plans to deliver to President Bush in December.

Moore arranged a helicopter trip to the coastal plain of the refuge so he could walk along the protected tundra identified by oil companies as the best prospect for a major new petroleum discovery.

Moore came to Alaska with others from the Departments of Energy and Interior to hold the 18th in a series of national energy strategy hearings around the country. But the visit took on added sense of urgency because this was the first hearing since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait triggered a drop in world oil supplies, and Moore found himself looking for short-term energy fixes as well as long-term solutions.

''In fact, one of the department's first actions following the shutdown of oil exports from Kuwait and Iraq was to ask North Slope operators to increase production,'' Moore said.

Overall oil production in Alaska - the country's biggest producing state and source of one-fourth of domestic oil - had begun to decline, but now various actions by industry are expected to increase production by 175,000 barrels daily.

Moore also revealed that he has been called upon to act as mediator Thursday in private meetings in Anchorage in a dispute between British Petroleum and the Army Corps of Engineers and Environmental Protection Agency.

The agencies say BP plans to build a causeway to its Niakuk field may cause environmental harm, so BP shelved the project last month rather than use more expensive alternatives to the causeway.

''Presently the development of two near-shore oil fields, Point McIntyre and Niakuk, with combined recoverable reserves on the order of 350 million barrels of oil, is in question due to unresolved issues directly related to the causeway controversy,'' Gov. Steve Cowper told Moore in seeking federal intervention to get the two fields belonging to BP and Arco developed.

''Before the Aug. 2 invasion, we could afford another year to discuss the causeway controversy,'' Moore said. ''It's a little different situation than it was before Aug. 2.''

''I'm going to act as a mediator to pull the parties together,'' he said, but he declined to say whether that meant getting other federal agencies to relax their environmental permit conditions so the projects could be developed.

Moore said federal officials also were seeking to get Chevron's Point Arguello oil field into production near Santa Barbara, Calif., and also were looking at ways to increase production from fields in Texas.

''We are scouring the country to find what we can do to increase production,'' he said.

In Alaska, most fingers were pointing to the arctic refuge for future oil production, but Moore cautioned that Congress must vote to open the refuge. If it is opened for drilling - and if oil is discovered there - it will require 10 years to develop the field for production, and Moore cautioned against viewing it a quick solution to an oil crisis.

Alaska's Democratic governor, the state's Republican congressional delegation and a series of oil industry advocates urged Moore during testimony Monday to make development of the wildlife refuge a cornerstone of the federal energy policy due on the president's desk in December.

Environmentalists and Alaska Indians urged that the refuge be left alone to protect the pristine wilderness and the wildlife that lives there, especially the caribou upon the Gwich'in Indians depend for survival.

But Moore made it clear that the refuge would figure in national energy policy in some way.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.28	9.95
Anchor Fund Inv	14.81	15.71
Delaware Mutual	16.92	18.14
Fidelity Fund	16.61	16.61
Investors Mutual	10.97	11.54
Investors Stocks	18.12	19.07
IDS Equity Plus	8.88	9.35
Mass Inv Growth	8.47	9.13
Nicholas Fund	3.31	3.31
United Accumulated	6.33	6.92
United Income	17.11	18.70
Vanguard Wellington	16.14	16.14

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(AUG. 28) UPI - Here is a roundup of top events Tuesday in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

BAGHDAD - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein offered to release all foreign women and children held in Iraq beginning Wednesday, the official Iraqi News Agency said. In Washington, a spokesman for the State Department task force on the Persian Gulf crisis said, ''We have heard such rumors, but only rumors.'' The announcement came only hours after Saddam appeared in a televised meeting with foreign hostages and proposed a television debate with President Bush and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

WASHINGTON - Bush warned Iraq that it will pay a ''stiff price'' if it does not withdraw from Kuwait. Bush, who interrupted his Maine vacation for two days of meetings in Washington, also declared, ''Let no one at home doubt my commitment to work with the Congress and let no one abroad

doubt our national unity or our staying power.'' Bush made the brief remarks before a meeting with 150 members of Congress.

WASHINGTON - An American who was detained in Kuwait after the Iraqi invasion died in southern Iraq, apparently of a heart attack, the State Department said Tuesday. The State Department said U.S. officials in Baghdad were informed by the Iraqi Foreign Ministry that the American, believed to be in his mid-50s, died in the southern city of Basra.

CAIRO, Egypt - Syrian President Hafez Assad arrived in Egypt for talks with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in the latest high-level Arab efforts to negotiate an end to the Persian Gulf crisis. ''I know the meaning of war so I am keen to reach a peaceful solution to avoid the ruin caused by war,'' Mubarak told reporters, affirming Egypt's desire to spare no effort to establish peace and stability in the Middle East.

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia - U.S. tanks and other armor rolled off ships and deployed in Saudi Arabia, introducing a force that would be key to a ground war with Iraq. M-1 Abrams tanks, Bradley armored personnel carriers 155mm self-propelled guns and a variety of tracked and wheeled support vehicles drove off two naval Fast Sealift ships after a two-week voyage from Savannah, Ga. The Pentagon revised its Operation Desert Shield cost estimate through September to $2.5 billion.

WASHINGTON - The Pentagon said Iraqi shipping in the Persian Gulf had ''come to a halt'' because of intercept operations and ''extremely successful'' U.N. sanctions. ''There is very little shipping activiting originating from Iraq - just about none,'' Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said. Since Sunday, the U.S. fleet in the Red Sea was reported to have intercepted at least three foreign ships heading toward Jordan. Iraq has ordered its tankers not to run the blockade.

JERUSALEM - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir received a message from President Bush, expressing appreciation for Israel's low profile during the Persian Gulf crisis, senior officials said. The officials said the message was ''warm'' in tone and that the United States looked forward to a continued dialogue with Israel.

VIENNA - A majority of OPEC ministers agreed in principle on a temporary production increase during the crisis but postponed until Wednesday a meeting to formalize the accord. The delay appeared intended to five Iran, Libya and Iraq more time to study the proposal backed by the 10 other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

World stock markets ended mixed as Asian exchanges built on momentum to score new gains, while Frankfurt retreated on continued nervousness about the Middle East conflict and New York ended the day up slightly.

MOSCOW - Soviet women evacuated from Iraq said they were worried their husbands may not be allowed to leave, and a Foreign Ministry spokesman acknowledged military advisers and other workers were in a ''delicate situation.'' The first group of 240 wives and children of Soviets working in Iraq flew from Baghdad to Moscow and a second group of 220 was to leave later in the day, but Soviet men working in Iraq are staying to fulfill their contracts.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Reece Corp				
Stock Split				
Gap Inc - 2-for-1				
Heist (CH) Corp - 5-for-4				
Increased				
Westvaco Corp	Q	.26 1/4	10-1	9-12
Usual				
ACM Govt Spectrum FI	M	.0845	9-21	9-7
Allstate Mcpl IOT	M	.07	9-21	9-7
Allstate Mcpl IOT III	M	.04 1/2	9-21	9-7
Allstate Mcpl PIT	M	.05 3/4	9-21	9-7
Avondale Industries	Q	.23	9-27	9-12
Bohemia Inc	Q	.05	9-25	9-10
Brunswick Corp	Q	.11	11-15	10-25
CalMat Co	Q	.16	10-2	9-7
Cohasset Svgs Bank	Q	.06	10-1	9-14
Comerica Incorp	Q	.65	10-1	9-15
Foothill Group Inc A	Q	.07	10-19	9-21
Gannett Co	Q	.30	10-1	9-14
Ivey Properties Inc	Q	.18	10-1	9-14
Natl Computer Sys	Q	.07	9-18	9-7
New England Elec Sys	Q	.51	10-1	9-10
United Fedl Bancorp	Q	.09	9-28	9-12

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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MIDWAY, UT (AUG. 28) UPI - Human negligence sparked a ferocious wind-whipped wildfire in Wasatch County that has killed two firefighters, gutted 18 homes and blackened 3,000 acres, investigators said Tuesday.

''The cause of the fire is determined to be an abandoned camp fire,'' fire spokeswoman Loyal Clark said. ''The investigative team is looking into the person or persons who are responsible. The team figures that some time during the smoldering of this abandoned camp fire that an ember or spark went across the road, which started the fire.''

No suspects had been identified, but authorities said the person or persons responsible could be forced to pay the entire cost of suppressing the blaze.

Meantime, fire bosses were optimistic they would contain the fire by 6 p.m. Tuesday and control it by 11 p.m. Wednesday.

Although 300 homes in the area remained evacuated, Clark said, roads to homeowners in the area would be opened at 8 a.m. Wednesday, allowing residents to return.

Slightly cooler temperatures Tuesday, with highs from 80 to 85 degrees, and reduced winds from 10-15 mph helped firefighters gain the upper hand.

The bodies of Wasatch County Sheriff's Deputy Blake Wright, 39, and Public Works employee Ralph Broadhead, 64, both of Heber, were found about 1 a.m. Monday in Sids Canyon.

The two were operating a bulldozer, creating fire lines in the southern end of the blaze, when they apparently became trapped and were overcome by smoke and flames, officials said.

One year-round home and 17 summer cabins were destroyed. The least expensive destroyed home was valued at $250,000, Clark said.

The structures were on state and private land in the Devil's Hole area between Midway and Wasatch Mountain State Park, about 30 miles southeast of Salt Lake City. There were 675 firefighters battling the blaze Tuesday.

The fire was initially spotted at 1:30 p.m. Sunday in thick oak brush and exploded rapidly, fanned by winds estimated at up to 50 mph.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - Saddam Hussein defended his decision to use Western hostages as a shield against possible attack. Saddam held a meeting with about 20 captives today... and one woman with a British accent asked the

Iraqi leader how he could use children in ''something they don't understand.'' Saddam replied that if Iraqi cities are attacked, Iraqi children also would die. Hours later, the official Iraqi News Agency announced that Saddam had ordered that all foreign women and children in Iraq be allowed to leave as of tomorrow.

Soviet women evacuated from Iraq say they are worried that their husbands may NOT be allowed to leave. 240 wives and children of Soviets working in Iraq flew from Baghdad to Moscow today... with a second group of 220 scheduled to depart later. However, Soviet men working in Iraq are staying to fulfill their contracts... and it is NOT clear if they will be allowed to leave. The Foreign Ministry in Moscow calls it a ''delicate situation.''

About three-point-one-Million federal workers nation-wide may be taking some unplanned time off. The government says it sent out notices this week warning of a possible government furlough that could start as early as the beginning of next month. The furlough would take effect if White House and congressional negotiators fail to reach agreement on a deficit-reduction plan.

A stand-off may be nearing a showdown in Ottawa. Indian warriors surrounded themselves with women and children today in bracing for an army assault on barricades they erected at two Mohawk reserves. Canadian officials prepared to evacuate Quebec residents living near the land considered by the Indians to be an ancient burial ground. Local officials want to use the land for a golf course.

Forecasters today dropped all hurricane and tropical storm warnings for the Caribbean islands. But they added that the islands will still feel Hurricane Gustav's effects. The hurricane and its 105-mile-an-hour winds headed into the open Atlantic, with Tropical Storm Hortense trailing about 11-hundred miles behind. Forecasters said Gustav and Hortense are too far apart to affect each other.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 28) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Tuesday.
Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	76.90	77.00	76.57	76.65	76.95
Dec	74.85	74.92	74.45	74.60	74.80
Feb	74.20	74.25	73.92	74.15	74.20
Apr	75.25	75.27	74.97	75.15	75.22

Jun 73.45 73.50 73.30 73.30 73.60
Aug 71.90 71.95 71.60 71.60 71.82
Oct 71.75 71.80 71.75 71.77 71.62 Est. sales 9,741 contracts; Monday 17,281; open interest 67,972 up 1,418.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

$$$ae Aug 88.72 88.75 88.52 88.57 88.70
Sep 86.40 86.40 85.85 86.15 86.40
Oct 84.90 85.05 84.45 84.80 85.02
Nov 84.90 84.92 84.35 84.85 84.87
Jan 84.55 84.55 84.15 84.45 84.52
Mar 83.15 83.15 82.70 82.95 83.00
Apr 82.60 82.60 82.20 82.25 82.45
May 81.20 81.45 81.20 81.45 81.45 Est. sales 1,649 contracts; Monday 3,261; open interest 11,771 off 292.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

$$$ae Oct 49.00 49.35 48.25 48.45 49.20
Dec 50.40 50.55 49.57 49.70 50.47
Feb 48.12 48.25 47.50 47.77 48.12
Apr 44.85 45.10 44.60 44.82 44.95
Jun 49.10 49.20 48.65 48.95 49.10
Jly 49.05 49.40 48.95 49.17 49.35
Aug .... 47.80 .... 47.80 47.70
Oct 44.00 44.20 43.90 43.90 43.70 Est. sales 5,465 contracts; Monday 5,210; open interest 27,693 off 910.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

$$$ae Feb 54.10 54.20 52.37 52.37 54.37
Mar 54.10 54.10 52.30 52.30 54.30
May 54.77 54.77 52.65 52.85 54.65
Jly 55.00 55.00 53.20 53.20 55.02 Est. sales 2,659 contracts; Monday 1,500; open interest 5,674 off 123.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Tuesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut- out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 121.00 down 14 cents, 700-850 lbs. 120.25 down 39 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 115.04 down 3 cents, 700-850 lbs. 115.13 up 6 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins not fully established but with a firm undertone; Boston butts steady-firm; skinned hams steady to $1.00 higher; seedless bellies not well tested; loins 14-18 lbs.110.00- 113.00, 18-22 lbs. 101.00-109.50; butts 4-8 lbs. 74.00-75.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 91.00- 92.00, 20-26 lbs. 89.00-91.00, 32 lbs. and up 81.00; bellies 12-16 lbs. 43.00.

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#90240u2208 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW DELHI, INDIA (AUG. 28) UPI - Afghan President Najibullah arrived in the Indian capital Tuesday for an official visit during which he was expected to increase trade ties and discuss issues of international concern.

The Afghan leader and his entourage, who arrived a day earlier than scheduled for a three-day visit, were received by Foreign Minister Inder Kumar Gujral and Commerce Minister Arun Nehru upon arrival at a military annex of New Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport.

Officials gave no reason for the change of schedule.

The Afghan leader during his stay will discuss with Indian leaders bilateral and international issues, the Press Trust of India news agency reported.

It said the two nations also will discuss the Gulf crisis and its implications for both countries.

New Delhi maintains close relations with Kabul, and is one of the few non-communist nations that provides economic and technical assistance to Kabul.

The Afghan leader has defied predictions by Western analysts that his government would be quickly overtaken by Moslem rebels after Soviet troops ended their occupation and pulled out last year.

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#90240u2239 08/28/1990 ~United Press International
ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AUG. 29) UPI - A bankruptcy court formally entered an order Tuesday approving a plan of reorganization allowing Resorts International Inc. to emerge from bankruptcy court protection, the company said.

Under terms of the plan, Resorts owner Merv Griffin will give about 78 percent of the equity in the company to bondholders.

The plan also calls for Griffin to invest $15 million in cash in the company at the time of recapitalization, invest another $11 million one year later and make up to $2.5 million available in cash to Resorts International Financing Inc. bondholders.

Griffin bought Resorts in 1988 after a takeover battle with developer Donald Trump. Included in the plan is a $5 million litigation trust fund

to pursue possible lawsuits against Trump stemming from the sale.

Resorts also announced it has hired a former Trump executive to serve as executive vice president and chief operating officer of Resorts' Atlantic City property. The executive, Jack O'Donnell, most recently was president and chief operating officer of Trump Plaza Hotel and Casino.

Less than a year after its purchase by Griffin, Resorts failed to make interest payments on some $925 million in junk bond debt and sought bankruptcy court protection from its creditors.

Bondholders approved the plan, put together by Salomon Brothers Inc., in July. The U.S. Bankruptcy Court and the New Jersey Casino Control Commission approved it earlier this month.

As part of the reorganization plan, the company intends to sell its Paradise Island property in the Bahamas.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Salary increases are projected to average 5.4 percent next year, but the raises may not keep pace with inflation due to higher fuel costs, according to a survey released Tuesday.

The projected average pay hike is almost identical to the 5.5. percent salary increase that survey respondents reported for 1990, according to the study of more than 3,000 employers conducted by William M. Mercer Inc. a subsidiary of Marsh & McLennan Cos.

Executives should expect raises averaging 5.7 percent, while salaried employees should expect salary increases of 5.4 percent, the study showed.

Increases for hourly workers are projected to average 5.2 percent, the study showed.

The salary increases may not meet a projected rise in the Consumer Price Index, however, the study said.

''With economists revising their inflationary predictions upwards in response to rising oil prices, next year's salary increases, for the first time since 1980, may not keep pace with inflation,'' said Kate Beatty, a compensation consultant with Mercer's National Survey Group.

Mercer researched salary increases at organizations employing more than 8.7 million non-union workers in the United States.

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JOLIET, IL (AUG. 28) UPI - At least one tornado plowed through several communities in and around Joliet Tuesday afternoon, killing an undetermined number of people and injuring scores more, officials said. Dozens of homes were wrecked, cars and trucks were overturned and the roof was torn from a high school.

Plainfield Fire Department Ambulance Chief John Watson told Chicago radio station WBBM five people were killed, but a spokeswoman for the Will County coroner's officer who requested anonymity said that ''we have no idea how many people died yet.''

A spokeswoman for St. Joseph's Hospital in Joliet reported one victim dead on arrival and 44 others treated for injuries ranging from lacerations to bruises from flying debris. Silver Cross Hospital reported five injuries.

One or more tornadoes touched down about 3:15 p.m. and ripped through residential areas in Joliet, Plainfield, Wheatland Township and Lockport Township in northeastern Illinois, a spokesman at the Will County Emergency Services and Disaster Agency office said.

Utility lines were knocked down and telephone service was cut off to the area about 35 miles southwest of Chicago.

Prince Mayne, a reporter at WCCQ radio in Joliet, said a three-story housing complex across from his studio was ripped to the height of about one story. He said he heard victims screaming.

''Across the street, four out of eight town homes are totally destroyed,'' Mayne said. ''People are wandering around with their belongings, wondering what to do.''

Steve Schammerhor, an administrator at nearby Plainfield High School, said the roof of the main school building had been ripped off by the swirling winds. He said he had heard unconfirmed reports that one member of the school administation was killed, but he emphasized that all students were safe and accounted for.

''There is no school left,'' Schammerhor said. ''... All the houses in front of the school are pretty much gone. Twenty or 30 houses are gone.''

The 1990-91 academic year was to have begun Wednesday, and only staff and a few student athletes were in the school.

A multiple-vehicle accident on Interstate 55 near Joliet was blamed on the twisters, with vehicles thrown around and at least one 18-wheeler lifted and dumped into the median. Several other vehicles were reported crushed

in the accident.

The Aurora Municipal Airport reported a dozen planes torn apart or seriously damaged and a few hangars leveled.

The tornado was triggered by a line of strong thuderstorms that moved through the area with hail and high winds.

Earlier in the day, a tornado touched down in Pecatonica, near the Wisconsin border in Winnebago County, but authorities reported no injuries. The twister touched down across from State Police headquarters and twisted road signs out of the concrete along U.S. 20, said Sgt. Glenn Koski.

The tornado tossed farm equipment at a farm implement store, overturned tombstones at a nearby cemetery and damaged buildings at the Winnebago County Fairgrounds, Koski said.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 28) UPI - Unit Investment Trusts, investment companies that purchase fixed portfolios of bonds or stocks, increased their deposits through offerings in July of $690.9 million, the Investment Company Institute said Tuesday.

The national association of the U.S. mutual fund industry said Unit Trusts expanded their deposits in the first seven months by $4.22 billion, down from $6.72 billion in the same period of 1989.

Tax-free bond trusts issued shares in June with deposits of $461.7 million and issued $3.05 billion in the first seven monhts, down from $4.80 billion in the same period of 1989. Taxable bond trusts totaled $105.2 million in July, and $828.4 million in the first seven months, down from $1.21 billion for the same period in 1989.

Deposits to equity trusts totaled $124 million in July bringing the total for the first seven months to $336.7 million, down from $700.3 million for the first seven months of 1989.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - Industry analysts Tuesday saw little chance of a record drop in wholesale gasoline prices finding its way to the gas station because the rise in pump prices since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait was still less than that of wholesale prices.

As a result of a perceived easing of tensions, unleaded gasoline dropped a record 17 cents on the New York Mercantile Exchange Monday to 87.56 cents a gallon, which despite the drop was still 23.29 cents higher than its Aug. 1 price.

The Merc price rose 0.97 cent Tuesday to 88.53 cents a gallon.

But according to the authoritative Lundberg Letter, pump prices have risen 15.45 cents a gallon to an average $1.33 a gallon for all grades at the nation's gas stations.

Although there was a public outcry over oil companies raising pump prices almost within hours of Iraqi troops crossing the Kuwaiti border, the figures suggest gas station prices will rise still more unless Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has a change of heart and gives Kuwait back to its rulers.

''There's at least 5 cents a gallon of cost that hasn't been passed along yet at the pump,'' said John Sauer, general manager of planning and analysis for Conoco Inc. in Houston.

''I'm not sure we've seen the full brunt of the wholesale price increase passed along yet at the pump unless wholesale prices continue back down (following Monday's decline),'' said Phillip Chisholm, executive vice president of the Petroleum Marketers Association in Washington.

The rise from wholesale to retail pump prices is normally accounted for by 25-30 cents in federal and state taxes added to a 10-12 cent-a-gallon margin for station owners and a 4-6 cent-a-gallon wholesale distributor margin, Chisholm said.

The association represents wholesale distributors, who Chisholm said have been squeezed between the price refiners make them pay and the price they charge station owners.

''The refiners have practiced restraint at the retail level, but not at the wholesale level, or at least not to the same extent,'' Chisholm said in a telephone interview.

But Trilby Lundberg, head of the Los Angeles-based newsletter that conducts biweekly nationwide surveys of pump prices, said stations owners are also being squeezed.

Two weeks ago the retail margin was 12 cents a gallon. It is now 8 cents a gallon, she said.

As Monday's trading indicated, there can be wide fluctuations from day to day in the price of gasoline traded on the Merc exchange.

These are translated most immediately into so-called ''rack'' prices the refiners charge wholesalers.

Conoco, for example, in response partly to the Merc decline Monday dropped its rack prices from 2 to 10.65 cents a gallon depending on whether the gasoline was sold to brand name stations or independents.

Chisholm said Conoco had to drop its rack price to bring it to a level ''more in line with the competition.''

Phillips Petroleum Co., Bartlesville, Okla., also announced Tuesday that it was dropping its average rack price by more than 5 cents to 93.9 cents a gallon, still 23.9 cents higher than when Iraqi troops moved on Kuwait.

Lundberg said the average rack price for unleaded regular gasoline of the ''unbranded'' variety dropped 3.85 cents a gallon since Friday to the current 95.33 cents a gallon.

This is the variety sold to private brand chains and large independent stations and is the one most sensitive to Merc price flucuations, she said.

The rack price of ''branded'' regular unleaded gasoline used in major brand stations such as Mobil and Exxon slipped 0.97 cent since Friday to 88.33 cents a gallon, Lundberg said.

''Normally, the branded is higher than the unbranded,'' she said.

The Society of Independent Gasoline Marketers of America, which represents 300 wholesalers that do not own refineries, has strongly objected to the turnabout.

''Integrated oil companies are heeding the President's call for price restraint primarily at their own direct-operated outlets,'' said Tally Roberts, president of the society in a SIGMA statement last week.

If the price discrimination is allowed to continue, ''independent marketers will be forced out of business,'' he said.

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PORTLAND, OR (AUG. 28) UPI - Ken Griffey Sr. and may soon be joining his son as a member of the Seattle Mariners.

Provided he clears waivers Wednesday, Mariners owner Jeff Smulyan said his team will begin talking to Griffey about a contract as soon as possible.

''We'll know a lot more tomorrow when he clears waivers,'' Smulyan said Tuesday after speaking before the Portland Rotary Club. ''It's something we would like to do, but it just depends on the waiver situation.''

If Griffey signs with the Mariners, it will mark the first time in Major League history that a father and son have played on the same team together.

His son, Ken Griffey Jr., is one of the best players in baseball. As of Friday, he was hitting .308 with 17 homers.

Ken Griffey Sr. played in the majors for 17 years before being placed on waivers Saturday by the Cincinnati Reds. He also played for the Atlanta Braves and the New York Yankees.

''Our baseball people feel (Griffey Sr.) will give us some veteran leadership in our clubhouse,'' Smulyan said. ''That's something we need. We think he might give us some help in the last month of the season.''

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(AUG. 29) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Atlanta - Placed pitcher Doug Sisk on waivers.

Cincinnati - Called up catcher Terry McGriff from Nashville of American Association (AAA); sent pitcher Chris Hammond to Nashville.

Houston - Asked waivers on pitcher Brian Fisher.

BASKETBALL

Sacramento - Signed center Duane Causwell.

COLLEGE

Army - Announced football coach Jim Young's retirement, effective after the 1990 season and named Bob Sutton his replacement.

Boston College - Athletic Director Bill Flynn retired, effective June.

HOCKEY

Hartford - Signed working agreement with Kansas City of International Hockey League; named Jacques Caron goaltending coach.

New Jersey - Signed center Paul Ysebaert; announced forward Janne Ojanen has been sssigned to Finnish Elite League and goaltender Craig Billington to Canadian National Team.

Philadelphia - Signed center Martin Hostak of Czechoslovakia.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - The United States and Great Britain have flatly rejected Saddam Hussein's invitation for direct discussions on the situation in the Persian Gulf- including a televised debate with President Bush and British Prime Minister Thatcher. U-S officials call the offer ''sick,'' and British officials say Iraq ''has to get out of Kuwait before there can be any kind of discussions.''

President Bush was back in the nation's capital today, where he briefed congressional leaders on the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush won bipartisan support from the lawmakers, with Democrats particularly commending his attempts to build a worldwide consensus against the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Bush said his goal remains an Iraqi withdrawal- in his words- ''without further violence.''

A tornado hit a residential area southwest of Chicago this afternoon, demolishing dozens of homes and a high school in Plainfield and killing an undetermined number of people. One report quotes an ambulence official as saying five people were killed in the twister that scattered cars across highways. Utility lines were knocked down and telephone service was cut to the area about 35 miles southwest of Chicago.

Police in Gainesville, Florida, are dealing with community panic as they search for suspects in the killings of four women and one man near the University of Florida campus. Investigators acknowledge the first three victims had been mutilated, but they refuse to elaborate. However, the Gainesville Sun quotes unidentified sources as saying at least one victim had been decapitated and one or more had their nipples cut off.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - The five permanent members of the U-N Security Council are urging warring Cambodian factions to accept a proposed solution to their 11-year-old conflict. Representatives of the United States, the Soviet Union, China, France and Britain announced the plan after eight months of negotiations. The proposal would involve U-N-organized elections and human rights protections.

Liberty Island was closed to the public this afternoon after as many as 80

demonstrators began setting up tents under the Statue of Liberty. The Reverend Al Sharpton led the protest that ended peacefully after Sharpton and 13 others were issued citations for demonstrating without a permit. The demonstration was held to protest homelessness and race relations in New York.

Politicians in New Jersey have gone beyond wrapping themselves in the flag and are now rushing to the national anthem as an issue. The political firestorm was touched off when Irish singer Sinead O'Connor refused to allow the anthem to be played before her performance last Friday at the Garden State Arts Center. Governor Jim Florio says all future performances at the open-air concert hall will be preceded by the national anthem- NO exceptions.

Garlic may offend the noses of some people... but 200 scientists are meeting in Washington, D-C, to raise the herb's reputation as a healthy part of one's diet. The scientists are attending the First World Congress on the Health Significance of Garlic and Garlic Constituents. Topics range from garlic's ability to ward off heart disease to garlic as an antifungal agent.

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#90240u2488 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 28) UPI - Two weeks after he was crowned the world's best player, Stefan Edberg bombed out in the first round of the U.S. Open Tuesday, losing in straight sets to Alexander Volkov of the Soviet Union.

Volkov, who already had plans to leave New York Wednesday to compete in a club tournament in Berlin, required merely an hour and 55 minutes to register the biggest victory of his career, 6-3, 7-6 (7-3), 6-2.

Edberg, winner of 21 consecutive matches coming into Flushing Meadows, is the first top-seeded man to be eliminated in the first round of the Open since 1971, when John Newcombe lost to Jan Kodes.

''Looking back at it, obviously I didn't play a very good match,'' said Edberg, as always adopting a stoic manner. ''I didn't feel good, I wasn't comfortable, and I was struggling to find my game, to find the way I usually play.

''On the other hand, Volkov played a very good game. He returned well and served well. He was very relaxed out there and had nothing to lose.''

This has been a bizarre year for the 24-year-old Swede in Grand Slam competition. He was forced to retire from the championship match of the Australian Open against Ivan Lendl because of a pulled stomach muscle and lost in the first round of the French Open to Sergi Bruguera before

winning Wimbledon.

Edberg, who ended Lendl's 80-week run at the top of the men's list, will retain the No. 1 position on the next ATP Tour rankings when they are released Sept. 10.

Volkov, ranked 52nd in the world, said he thought he had a chance against Edberg because ''tennis is tennis.''

''He was much tireder than I,'' added the 23-year-old left-hander, playing on the Stadium Court for the first time. ''He was a little bit slow, I saw it.

''I saw him so many time on TV and in practice. I knew I had to play inside the court, otherwise I had no chance.''

Volkov said he never assumed he would win, explaining, ''He's No. 1, he's played so many tough matches, he was so many times down and then he won. You have to keep playing if you want to beat him.''

Edberg, winner of his previous four tournaments, broke service only once, in the second set when he also had a set point. He committed 23 unforced errors to 12 for Volkov.

''I've been playing well all summer and I felt good coming into the Open, and then I had a day where not much worked for me,'' said Edberg, who has yet to make it past the semifinals of this championship. ''I tried to do a few things, but they didn't work.

''I can't tell you many reasons why it happened, because I don't know myself. I have to think it over and hope it never happens again. I really wanted to win the U.S. Open, but it's too late now.''

The loss by Edberg opened a big door in the top half of the draw for Lendl an Open finalist the last eight years and three times the champion.

Lendl, who has dropped to No. 3 in the rankings, was seeded to meet Edberg in the semifinals. He overcame a 4-1 first set deficit in his opening match Tuesday to beat Canadian Martin Laurendeau, 7-5, 6-2, 6-2.

''It's an upset, but when you think about it deeply you can see it happening,'' Lendl said of Volkov's victory. ''When you analyze their strengths and weaknesses, it's Volkov's strengths playing into Stefan's weaknesses and Stefan's strengths into Volkov's strengths.''

John McEnroe, in the same quarter as Edberg, also could have benefited although he is unseeded for the first time in 13 years. McEnroe, a three-time Open champion but unable to survive the second round the

previous two years, defeated Javier Sanchez, 7-6 (10-8), 7-6 (7-3), 6-4.

Asked if he was generally happy with how he played, McEnroe responded, ''I'm generally happy to still be in the tournament.''

Fourth seed Andre Agassi, the losing French Open finalist, also advanced to the second round with an easy 6-4, 6-2, 6-2 victory over Canadian Grant Connell, while No. 9 Aaron Krickstein struggled to a five-set victory over another Canadian, Andrew Sznajder.

Jennifer Capriati, the 14-year-old No. 13 seed, making her professional debut in the U.S. Open, broke service in the 12th game of each set to defeat 15-year-old West German Anke Huber, 7-5, 7-5.

Martina Navratilova, a four-time Open champion and the second seed this year, crushed Federica Haumuller of Argentina, 6-4, 6-0, in 50 minutes, and No. 4 Zina Garrison defeated Austrian Beate Reinstadler, 6-1, 6-3.

Navratilova said she has gained more confidence since winning Wimbledon in July.

''I'm confident I can do it and I feel healthy,'' she said. ''There's no desperation for me anymore. I've done what I wanted to do.''

Seventh seed Emilio Sanchez topped Brian Garrow, 7-6 (7-5), 6-4, 6-4, No. 10 Andrei Chesnokov beat Olivier Delaitre, 6-4, 7-5, 6-3, No. 11 Michael Chang crushed Mikael Pernfors, 6-0, 6-2, 6-3, and No. 13 Jay Berger defeated Ronald Agenor, 6-4, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.

Other winners among the women, all in straight sets, included No. 5 Gabriela Sabatini, No. 6 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, No. 9 Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere, No. 12 Jana Novotna, No. 14 Natalia Zvereva and No. 15 Judith Wiesner.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - A spokesman for the State Department in Washington says he canNOT confirm today's announcement by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that all foreign woman and children hostages- in Hussein's words- ''will be free to choose starting tomorrow whether they want to stay in Iraq or leave.''

President Bush won bipartisan support from congressional leaders for his Persian Gulf policy. Bush interrupted his Maine vacation to meet with lawmakers in Washington today. He told them Iraq will pay a ''stiff price'' if it does NOT withdraw from Kuwait.

Amman Radio says former presidential candidate Jesse Jackson arrived in the Jordanian capital today, en route to Baghdad. The state-owned radio says Jackson is expected to meet Saddam.

As many as 10 people may be dead and more than 100 injured after tornadoes roared through Joliet, Illinois, and surrounding communities this afternoon. However, officials have so far confirmed three deaths. The storms destroyed dozens of homes and a high school, and left the area without electricity and telephone service.

A communist-run radio station in Beirut says Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite will be the next hostage to be freed. But the radio quotes the leader of the Iranian-backed Islamic Amal movement saying the release of the six U-S hostages will be delayed because of American intervention in the Persian Gulf.

Investigators in Wasatch County, Utah, say a deadly wildfire was caused by an abandoned camp fire. The blaze has charred three-thousand acres and killed two firefighters. Officials predict containment tonight and control by tomorrow night.

Police in Gainesville, Florida, say they have NO suspects in the killing of a young couple in an apartment near the University of Florida campus. They think the slayings are linked to the deaths of three female students earlier this week.

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(AUG. 28) UPI - The death toll continues to climb from this afternoon's tornadoes that ripped through Joliet, Illinois, and surrounding communities southwest of Chicago. Authorities now say 19 people were killed in the storm- 10 in one apartment complex alone. The more than 200 injured are flooding area hospitals. The twisters flattened homes and a high school, toppled trees and flung vehicles off roads.

A bittersweet return for 47 women and children who arrived in the United States today... dependents of U-S diplomats still held in Iraq and occupied Kuwait. A spokeswoman for the group told reporters- ''Our hearts are left in Kuwait and Baghdad.'' The dependents arrived at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington. They included eight babies and a number of children clutching stuffed animals.

Two F-B-I teams specializing in serial murders have joined a task force investigating five killings in Gainesville, Florida. Crime lab experts who helped catch serial killer Ted Bundy are also trying to track down clues near the University of Florida campus. The mutiliated bodies of three female students were found earlier this week... and a young man and woman

were found slain today.

Cuba's Fidel Castro once helped export revolution to Nicaragua... but with the election victory of President Violeta Chamorro earlier this year, the tables are now turned. A group of Cuban exiles gathered in Managua today to announce a new militant political party seeking the violent overthrow of the Castro government. One member of the group said ''We defend human rights and call on all Cubans to join us.''

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#90240u2890 08/28/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 28) UPI - Charles Keating filed an accounting of his personal finances with federal regulators today in Los Angeles... one day after missing a court-imposed deadline. The former chief of the parent of the failed Lincoln Savings and Loan made a fortune in Arizona real estate before buying Lincoln in 1984. Bailing out Lincoln will cost taxpayers an estimated two-and-a-half-BILLION dollars. Keating now claims he is broke.

A former employee of a once-prominent independent record promoter testified against his boss today in Los Angeles. The prosecution witness testified that Joseph Isgro approved cocaine ''payola'' to radio station workers in exchange for air play of records. Isgro is charged with 51 counts of racketeering and other charges in the largest payola case in U-S history.

The U-S government is acting to curb cruise ships that make tours in which people are encouraged to feed dolphins, seals and other marine mammals. The National Marine Fisheries Service has proposed a ban on the so-called ''dolphin-feeding'' cruises... saying they can disrupt the natural eating habits of the animals.

Researchers in the rain forest of Brazil believe they have discovered a new species of mammal- a tiny, pouchless marsupial described as a ''pygmy mouse-opposum.'' The Smithsonian Institution calls the finding ''significant'' but NOT ''Earth-shattering''... as an average of two new species of mammal are discovered each year.

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PORTLAND, ORE. (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Computerized Thermal Imaging Inc. (CTI, OTC, Bulletin Board: 3COII), a state-of-the-art leader in medical diagnostic computerized thermal imaging technology, Wednesday released an agreement with Asian American Capital, a diversified merchant banking firm headquartered in Tampa, Fla., to finance $40 million in CTI hospital-placed systems.

Asian American's equipment financing commitment calls for 100 percent of the financing to be paid in cash to CTI upon presentation of a medical facility use agreement and financial approval of the institution by Asian American Capital. CTI management is confident that such involvement by Asian American Capital will implement rapid CTI systems placement in hospitals nationwide and insure the planned financial development of the company.

Asian American's principal operating divisions include financial services (leasing, financial advisory, invesments); healthcare products; and the strategic acquisition of healthcare facilities. Asian American also has a marketing joint venture with Primary Care Services Inc., a Florida corporation whose principal business is to identify medical labs, diagnostic clinics and similar businesses suitable for acquisition.

Computerized thermal imaging is a non-invasive, harmless technique using the body's own infrared energy like a road map to detect abnormalities in human physiology.

CTI's technological innovations, achieved exclusively through agreements with other industry leaders and the State University of New York, Buffalo, include: 1. computer routines in controlled environmental conditions; 2. a mass storage system that will make creation of a central data base possible, connecting hospitals and doctors across the coutry to an information storehouse; and 3. reliable transmission of computerized thermal images by telephone.

By 1992 CTI believes that substantially all hospitals and clinics, as well as 2 percent of all hospital-related physicians, will be users of CTI units.

CTI is headquartered in the Portland, Ore., area.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Wednesday announced it had signed agreements for videoconferencing services and equipment designed to encourage and make it easier for government agencies to use the advanced telecommunications service.

As a result of cooperative marketing agreements signed with Compression Labs, Inc. (CLI), San Jose, Calif., and Videoconferencing Systems, Inc.,

(VSI), Norcross, Ga., US Sprint will provide complete videoconferencing services, including installation, training and maintenance for U.S. government agencies. This one-stop service is available to any federal government organization wanting to use videoconferencing.

US Sprint is in the final stages of negotiating similar cooperative marketing agreements with Midwest Communications Corporation of Edgewood, Ky., a provider of video and broadcast industry systems, and Systems Integration Group (SIG), a Hyattsville, Md., minority-owned business providing full service telecommunication services to government, military and commercial organizations.

The marketing agreements cover compressed video equipment and services. CLI markets codecs (the device which converts video images into data for transmission), peripherals for graphics presentations and transportable videoconferencing room equipment while VSI also offers a complete line of transportable room equipment as well as codecs and furniture.

As part of its evolving video marketing program, US Sprint also will cooperate with GTE Spacenet Corp. of McLean, Va., in a wideband video demonstration for the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). US Sprint will make available up to 36 hours of transmission time during the 60-day trial, and GTE Spacenet will provide one mobile uplink antenna and 18 temporary downlink receivers for the IRS nationwide test.

The IRS wideband video test, scheduled to begin Sept. 18, is intended to demonstrate internally that wideband video is a viable and cost-effective alternative to conventional face-to-face training. In three different wideband training applications studied, training costs dropped 62 to 71 percent.

US Sprint is also offering up to 11 hours of available air time to other government agencies who want to try wideband service.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City, Mo.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - W. Greg Karr, president and chief executive officer of First Commerical Bancorp Inc., (NASDAQ/NMS:FCOB) the parent company of the $355 million First Commercial Bank, announced Wednesday that its board of directors has authorized the

company to repurchase up to 100,000 shares of the company's common stock in open market and negotiated transactions.

Karr stated: ''The board decided to pursue this course of action after a review of the current price levels of the company's shares and the company's current financial position. The board believes that the company's stock is an attractive investment and that this investment strategy will add to shareholder values by increasing earnings per share and return on equity.''

Karr stated that the company's current capital position of $32 million was more than adequate to sustain the company's growth and will continue to exceed its regulatory requirements.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, First Commercial Bancorp had 4,666,891 shares of common stock and equivalents outstanding.

First Commercial Bank, founded in 1979, and a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., is an independent bank with headquarters in Sacramento.

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MONROVIA, CA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Barry's Jewelers Inc. (NASDAQ:BARY) Wednesday announced sales and operating results for the fiscal year and quarter ended May 31, 1990.

Barry's reported a loss of $15,542,000, or $3.10 per share, for the year ended May 31, 1990, as compared with net income of $6,028,000, or $1.21 per share, in the prior fiscal year. Sales increased to $165,736,000 in the current year from $157,020,000 for 1989.

For the three months ended May 31, 1990, Barry's reported a loss of $12,123,000, or $2.42 per share, as compared with a loss of $754,000, or 15 cents per share, in the corresponding prior year quarter. Sales for the current quarter were $31,599,000 as compared with $31,867,000 last year.

The losses in the current periods are primarily due to substantially increased provisions for bad debts both during the first and last six months of this fiscal year. These increased provisions are a result of increasingly adverse bad debt experience (primarily in the Southwest and in Colorado), continuing deterioration in the general retail environment and the requirement for financing purposes of adjusting the valuation of the customer accounts receivable.

Barry's Jewelers operates 224 stores nationwide under various trade names including: Barry's, Gold Art Creations, Hatfield Jewelers, A. Hirsh & Son Jewelers, Keidan's Jewelers, Milens Jewelers, Mission Jewelers, The Ringmaker, Samuels Jewelers, and Schubach Jewelers.

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HAYWARD, CA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Cholestech Corp., a privately-held pharmaceutical company focusing on high blood cholesterol and other lipid disorders, has completed its third round of venture capital financing, raising $11.58 million for the development of lipid drugs and lipid monitoring systems.

Together with earlier funding, this brings the total amount raised to $24 million. Primary investors include Hillman Ventures, New Enterprise Associates, Sierra Ventures, Vencap Equities Alberta, Ltd., Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., Hughes Aircraft Co., Newtek Ventures, Hancock Venture Partners, and Brinson Partners Inc.

According to Judy M. O'Shea, chief executive officer: ''This new funding is being used to bring the Cholestech L-D-X lipid monitoring system to market and to advance human clinical studies of our first therapeutic -- a compound which appears to control imbalances in blood lipids.

Cholestech was founded in late 1987 and, although only two-and-a-half years old, already has a critical mass of products in development. Among the company's priorities are monitoring systems for use in the physician's office and drugs to treat lipid disorders.

Potential therapeutics are focused on preventing or counteracting the accumulation of ''bad'' lipids and lipoproteins (LDL cholesterol and triglycerides) and increasing ''good'' lipids and lipoproteins (HDL cholesterol) in the blood. (Lipids are fats and fatlike substances).

The company's first product -- the Cholestech L-D-X -- is a lipid monitoring system for use in the physician's office. It is expected to provide quick, accurate information which will enable physicians to make immediate treatment decisions while the patient is in the examination room.

This compact, easy-to-use instrument will analyze a finger-stick drop of blood in three minutes, providing measurements of total, HDL and LDL cholesterol and triglycerides. Subsequent additions to the system's menu will allow the measurement of liver enzymes and other blood chemistries

important to the treatment of lipid disorders and coronary heart disease.

Cholestech Corp. is headquartered in the San Francisco Bay Area. The company recently expanded into new laboratory, manufacturing and administrative facilities in a modern industrial park in Hayward, Calif.

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GLENDALE, CA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Glendale Federal Bank announced Wednesday that it will defer payments on all loans held by military reservists called to active duty by President Bush.

The deferral will be in force for the duration of a reservist's period of active duty.

The bank's action was prompted by the Soldiers and Sailors Relief Act of 1940, which limits the annual loan interest rate to 6 percent for active military personnel. The Act was enacted to protect those in the military whose ability to meet financial obligations is adversely impacted by their call to active duty.

Only those loans incurred prior to active military service are convered by the Act. These include all types of real estate and consumer loans, such as home mortgages, auto loans and credit cards.

''Rather than just limit the interest rate, Glendale Federal Bank wants to show its support for our reserve military personnel during this time of tension in the Persian Gulf,'' said Keith P. Russell Jr., president and chief operating officer.

''We don't want the reservists to worry about financial obligations they established prior to their call to active duty, while they are serving their country.''

Glendale Federal Bank requests that military personnel seeking the loan payment deferral submit proof of active military status. They should contact their bank office manager.

Glendale Federal Bank is the nation's fourth largest savings bank, operating 235 banking offices in California, Florida and Washington.

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or
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#90241b0055 08/29/1990 ~Business Wire
CHICAGO (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Bally Manufacturing Corp. (BLY:NYSE) announced Wednesday that the Iowa Lottery has awarded the contract for its on-line lottery system to the company's Scientific Games Inc. Atlanta, subsidiary.

This five-year, $15 million contract is subject to security clearance and is expected to become effective on July 1, 1991, when the existing on-line lottery agreement between Scientific Games and the Iowa Lottery expires.

Under the terms of this new contract, Scientific Games will supply up to 1,400 retailer terminals, of which up to 150 will be the popular player activated terminals. The terminals will be manufactured by Bally Gaming Inc. at its new 150,000-square-foot manufacturing facility in Las Vegas, Nev. Bally Gaming is also a subsidiary of Bally Manufacturing Corp.

Roger N. Keesee, president and chief operating officer of Bally Manufacturing Corp., in commenting on the contract, said, ''We are pleased to continue this relationship that began in 1985 when we assisted the Iowa Lottery in its start-up. Our experience in the lottery industry is well represented with the award of this most important on-line lottery contract.''

Bally Manufacturing Corp. is a world leader in the gaming and fitness industries with four casino hotels, a nationwide network of fitness centers and a complete line of gaming equipment and systems, fitness products and lottery products and services.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Sole proprietors of small businesses who are reservists called to active military service won't have to make their business loan payments to Wells Fargo Bank until they return to civilian life.

Under the special plan announced Wednesday, Wells Fargo Bank will defer principal and interest payments on all business loans for customers while they are on active military duty. Business loans include business credit cards, lines of credit and long-term loans with the bank.

During the deferred period, the interest on the loans will be lowered to 0 percent. If sole proprietors keep making payments while on active duty, any payment they make will be applied directly to the principal of the

loan.

''Our customers called to active duty could face financial strain if they had to keep up with their business loan payments while on active duty,'' said Doug Freeman, vice president of Wells Fargo's Business Banking Group. ''We hope this program will ease some of those financial worries,'' said Freeman.

To apply for the program, sole proprietors who are reservists that hold business loans with Wells Fargo should call 1/800-642-BANK.

Earlier in the week, Wells Fargo announced a similar program for customers who can defer their consumer loans while serving as a reservist in the Persian Gulf.

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Electro Brain International Corp. Wednesday announced the results of operations for its second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported net income in the amount of $232,007. The company reported no activity for the three months ended June 30, 1989. For the six month period ended June 30 1990, the company reported net income of $119,800, in contrast to the net loss of $2,129 reported for the period from inception on Jan. 13, 1989 through June 30, 1989. The company reported aggregate net income from inception on Jan. 13, 1989 through June 30, 1990 of $14,014.

For the six and three month periods ended June 30, 1990, the company reported $1,859,486 and $1,845,031, respectively, in total revenues, comprised primarily of revenue from its principal operations, i.e., the marketing of computer video games for use with the Nintendo Entertainment System and Nintendo's Game Boy product in the United States and Canada. The company's first sales of video game products for use with the NES and Nintendo's Game Boy product occurred during the quarter which ended June 30, 1990, through the company's wholly owned subsidiary, Electro Brain Corp.

The company anticipates reporting total revenues in the range of approximately $750,000 to $900,000 in the third quarter period.

The company attributes its estimated decline in third quarter revenues primarily to the following factors: (1) artwork necessary for the

company's Dead Heat Scramble video game was not completed and approved in time to permit ordering the game for third quarter delivery due to completing negotiations with Nissan Motor Corp. U.S.A. for a Nissan's Dead heat Scramble sweepstakes in which a Nissan automobile will be given away; (2) the company's Super Cars video game had not received final approval; (3) the company ordered fewer Fists of the North Star video game cartridges for third quarter delivery than it did for the second quarter; and (4) sales of the Puss 'N Boots - Pero's Great Adventure video game for the third quarter are expected to be lower than second quarter sales of the game.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Materials Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:AMAT) has signed a purchase agreement for approximately 150 acres of land in the Harris Branch area of Austin, Texas.

Company plans call for the construction of a second major U.S. facility on the site, with groundbreaking in early 1991 and occupancy in early 1992. The property will be purchased for approximately $6 million.

At the same time, Applied Materials announced it has negotiated a 15-year lease of the new Central Park business center, located at the intersection of Central Expressway and Scott Boulevard in Santa Clara. By mid-1991, the 18-acre site, situated near Applied Materials' existing Santa Clara operations, will house manufacturing, administrative activities and new advanced applications labs.

Approximately 200,000 square feet of space in four one-story buildings will be utilized. Meanwhile, some consolidation of existing Santa Clara facilities is anticipated. Overall, a net increase of about 100,000 square feet of space in Santa Clara will occur.

This announcement comes as other expansions are under way. Already, Applied Materials is adding to existing manufacturing and technology facilities on its Bower Avenue campus in Santa Clara and its Technology Center in Narita, Japan.

In the first phase of development, a 150,000 to 250,000-square-foot facility, staffed by approximately 300 Applied Materials employees, will be built on Bluebonnet Parkway in northeast Austin. The new personnel will join 90 Applied Materials employees now working in a training and sales and service center in Austin's southeast section.

The company also announced it has selected Graeber-Simmons & Cowan AIA Architects of Austin to do the initial architectural and engineering work to support this basic plan.

Long-term company plans are to utilize the new Austin site to support Applied Material's future growth. The 150 acres can accommodate more than one million square feet of building space, which should help satisfy the company's needs over the next decade.

Applied Materials Inc. is a global growth company based in Santa Clara, and is the leading independent supplier of wafer fabrication systems to the worldwide semiconductor industry. It is a market leader in chemical vapor deposition (CVD), dry plasma etching and silicon deposition.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - To aid its policyholders affected by Tuesday's tornadoes, the Farmers Insurance Group of Companies is rushing assistance to the storm's victims.

Farmers estimated that approximately 500 homes and 700 autos insured by the company were damaged. The extent of the damage is not yet known. Extra claims adjusters are being rushed to the area to assess the level of damage and to provide victims with emergency assistance.

The company is establishing an emergency claims center, which will serve as headquarters for emergency personnel who are organized to process claims as quickly as possible. In the meantime, Farmers policyholders are advised to contact their agents for emergency assistance.

''Policyholders who have been affected by the tornadoes should contact their individual Farmers agent or any Farmers agent if they don't have their own agent's name, so that we can immediately begin processing their claims, and get help to them,'' said Leonard Wray, regional manager.

''Farmers policyholders have available a broad range of assistance designed to help meet the emergency needs caused by a catastrophe such as yesterday's storms,'' Wray said.

Farmers also is advising its policyholders to make any necessary immediate repairs to their property and to begin an inventory of damage as soon as possible.

Farmers is the nation's third largest home and auto insurer.

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SAN RAFAEL, CA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Children's Discovery Centers of America Inc. (NASDAQ:CDCRA) Wednesday announced that its revenues for the second quarter ending June 30, increased to $4,970,000 from $3,740,000 in 1989.

However, the company reported a net loss for the quarter of $1,913,000 or 36 cents per share compared to a profit of $48,000 or 1 cent per share in the like quarter in 1989.

The company recorded a one-time charge to income of $1,850,000, resulting from its previously announced decision to sell its Arizona Mary Moppets Day Care Schools Inc. subsidiary.

Revenues for the company's Arizona operations continued to experience declines on a year-to-year basis due to several factors, including an unusually severe competitive climate, and regulatory changes mandated by the state legislature which have increased costs.

Richard A. Niglio, chairman and chief executive officer of Children's Discovery Centers, said, ''The sale of Mary Moppets in Arizona allows us to concentrate our efforts in those markets where we are performing strongly, such as California and New England.''

Niglio added that the company planned to continue to concentrate its acquisition efforts in these areas and expected to register continued rapid growth.

The reported increase in revenue is attributable to the growth in the number of new centers operated by the company, and to an increase in sales volume of centers in those areas where the company is concentrating its growth.

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IRVINE, CA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - ReadiCare Inc. (NASDAQ: REDI)

Wednesday announced that it has completed the previously announced acquisition of Occupational Medical Centers (OMC), a privately owned workers'-compensation medical center located in South San Francisco. The assets acquired include OMC's rehabilitation and reconditioning center, an operation similar in scope to ReadiCare's WorkFit Center.

OMC, founded in 1983, is recognized as one of the leading providers of occupational and industrial medical services servicing South San Francisco and San Francisco Airport area businesses. Included among OMC's client list of over 400 corporations are such employers as United Airlines, Hyatt Regency, UPS, See's Candies, the City of San Bruno and the Price Club. OMC's net patient revenues for the most-recent 12 months were over $1.7 million.

Commenting on the acquisition, Dennis G. Danko, president and chief executive officer, said, "OMC complements our already strong market presence in the Northern California Bay Area and will enable us to offer additional cost-effective workers'-compensation services to area employers." He added, "We expect the acquisition of OMC to favorably impact ReadiCare's earnings prospects for the balance of this fiscal year and beyond."

ReadiCare is the West Coast's largest operator of workers'-compensation medical centers and programs serving over 20,000 client companies. The company also provides a wide range of on-site workers'-compensation-related programs and management services to business, industry and other health-care organizations.

ReadiCare programs have a proven track record in reducing workers'-compensation costs and in improving employee productivity, health and safety.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Bay 511, a San Francisco-based corporation, has acquired Tassajara Crossing, a new neighborhood shopping center located in Danville, Calif., for $26 million, according to Jack S. Cooper, managing director of Bank of America's Investment Real Estate Group.

IRE serves as investment advisor and trustee to Bay 511 Corporation, a U.S. real estate investment company. Tassajara Crossing is located at the intersection of Crow Canyon Road and Camino Tassajara in Danville, an affluent and growing community in Contra Costa County, in the eastern section of the San Francisco Bay Area. The shopping center features major

tenants such as Safeway, Longs Drugs, and Ace Hardware.

''Tassajara Crossing is at the center of a burgeoning residential area where growth, in part, is being spurred by the continuing development of Bishop Ranch and Hacienda Business Park, two prominent, master-planned commerce centers,'' Cooper said. Major corporations located at Bishop Ranch include Chevron, Pacific Bell, IBM, and Toyota, while AT&T employs over 4,000 people at Hacienda Business Park. ''Employers at these business centers have attracted a

well-educated, professional labor force not only to work in Contra Costa County, but to live in the area as well,'' Cooper explained. ''As a result the county has experienced substantial residential building in recent years and the area continues to expand -- adding new businesses, services, and residences. We expect Tassajara Crossing to perform very well for our investor as the full-employment potential of Bishop Ranch and Hacienda is achieved over the long term.''

Tassajara Crossing contains over 140,000 net leasable square feet. The contemporary design of the shopping center includes masonry and wood-frame construction.

This neighborhood shopping center was completed in June 1990, by Whitney Development Company. The property is being sold by Tassajara Shopping Center Associates, a partnership affiliated with Drever Partners, Inc., a San Francisco-based firm which syndicates and manages real estate investments.

Richard T. Crane, vice president and director of acquisitions for IRE, and Vice President Ronald J. Kilby, an IRE acquisitions officer, advised the client in this transaction.

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SEYMOUR, IND. (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ:HOMF) announced today that its board of directors approved the formation of a holding company to be named Home Federal Bancorp.

The proposed formation of the holding company will be presented to a vote of the shareholders of Home Federal Savings Bank at the annual meeting to be held on Oct. 30, 1990, in Seymour.

Shareholders of record at the close of business as of Sept. 5, 1990, are entitled to vote at the annual meeting. If the holding company formation

is approved, each shareholder of Home Federal Savings Bank will receive one share of Home Federal Bancorp common stock for each share of Home Federal Savings Bank stock owned by such shareholder. If the shareholders approve the holding company, it is anticipated that the holding company formation will be completed by the end of November 1990.

John K. Keach Sr., chairman of the board and CEO of Home Federal, in announcing the formation of the holding company, stated, ''The formation of a holding company will give Home Federal greater operating flexibility as well as increased ability to take advantage of possible future acquisition opportunities. The holding company structure will also allow Home Federal to benefit from Indiana's porgressive corporate statute which does not currently apply to Home Federal Savings Bank.''

The board of directors also announced a first quarter dividend of 7.5 cents per share. The dividend is payable on Oct. 2, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 20, 1990.

Home Federal is a federally chartered FDIC insured savings bank founded in 1908.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Adobe Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ADBE) has announced the signing of a contract with Kinko's Service Corp.

Under the agreement, Adobe will provide Kinko's with a special combination of font software from the Adobe Type Library that will enable their Desktop Publishing Centers to provide high-quality Type 1 fonts to customers. Financial terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

''This agreement allows us to provide our customers with the industry font standard at an affordable price,'' stated Joel Rayden, Product Development director, Kinko's Service Corp.

''One of the key advantages the Adobe Type Library offers is a variety of high-quality typefaces from multiple type vendors. The Adobe Type Library allows us to meet our customers' increasing needs for Type 1 fonts and help our business grow.''

The contract states that Kinko's, one of the largest copy center chains in

the United States, will receive a selection of seven different typefaces from the Adobe Type Library at a special price.

The selection includes ITC Garamond, Linoscript, Linotext, Park Avenue, Bodoni, Peignot and ITC Eras. These typefaces will be distributed to Kinko's Desktop Publishing Centers throughout the United States.

The Desktop Publishing Centers will then be able to create and reproduce customers' documents using these frequently requested typefaces. Kinko's will not resell the typeface packages to their customers.

Adobe Systems began shipping downloadable typefaces in April 1986. Since that time, the Adobe Type Library of font software has grown from 12 families to 164 packages and over 700 typefaces. These packages include both traditional designs, including typefaces cross-licensed from a variety of type manufacturers, and original typeface designs developed by Adobe specifically for electronic publishing.

Adobe Systems Inc., founded in 1982 by Dr. John Warnock and Dr. Charles Geschke, has headquarters in Mountain View. Adobe is the developer of PostScript, the industry standard page-description language for the electonic printing and publishing fields, and Display PostScript, a device-independent graphics imaging model that drives screen displays.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Telecredit Inc. (NASDAQ:TCRD) announced Wednesday that net earnings for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 rose 10 percent to a record $7,299,000, or 65 cents per share, on revenues of $42,766,000, compared with net earnings of $6,627,000, or 60 cents per share, on revenues of $40,987,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

''These record results were achieved despite an unfavorable year-to-year comparison for Telecredit's credit card processing operations due to the departure of a number of Payment Systems for Credit Unions (PSCU) accounts in October 1989,'' noted Chairman Lee A. Ault III. ''We expect our card processing operations to begin reporting favorable quarterly comparisons in the second half of fiscal 1991,'' he added.

Pre-tax earnings from check services increased 10 percent in the first quarter as compared to the same period last year as operating revenues rose 13 percent to $25,287,000 and the value of checks authorized in connection with Telecredit's check purchase service rose 26 percent to a first-quarter record of nearly $2.2 billion.

Pre-tax earnings from card processing services declined 11 percent on an 8 percent decrease in operating revenues due to the loss of the PSCU accounts. However, the pre-tax earnings were ahead of internal plan according to Ault. He said that Telecredit was providing card processing services to 1,813 banks, credit unions and savings institutions representing approximately 2,275,000 individual VISA and MasterCard accounts at July 31, 1990, compared to 1,735 institutions representing approximately 2,187,000 individual accounts at April 30, 1990.

Ault also reported continued strong performance by Telecredit's enhancement services program, with earnings ahead of internal expectations and revenues of $625,000, a 370 percent gain over the comparable period in the prior year. Enrollment in the enhancement services program grew to 1,059 institutions at July 31, 1990, from 440 institutions at July 31, 1989.

At July 31, 1990, Telecredit reported cash and short-term marketable securities of $99,349,000, a 3.54-to-one current ratio and no funded debt.

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AMERICAN FORK, UTAH (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - TEL Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ:TELS) announced call accounting systems that can now withstand up to 20,000 volts of static discharge, twice as much as before, and still continue to operate without any loss of data.

Normally, 20,000 volts is enough to render a unit inoperative, but with several new features and superior engineering, TEL's new systems have become virtually static proof.

For businesses in the midwest and central areas of the United States, and in Canada where static is the most common cause of system breakdowns, TEL's new units are a breakthrough.

''As we have traveled around the country visiting dealers, one of the most frequently requested features has been a call accounting system with greater immunity to static,'' said John Gunter, president and chief executive officer of TEL electronics inc. ''TEL is proud to be able to offer dealers and call accounting users an answer to one of the most troublesome dilemmas in business environments, the problem of static,''

continued Gunter.

In order for TEL's new call accounting units to withstand 20,000 volts of electricity, several features were added such as a custom powercord. In the past, the call accounting unit had to ground itself with the aid of a printer. With the new improvements, the call accounting unit grounds itself through its powercord. A newly designed keypad with a higher resistance to electrical fluctuations also aided in protecting against static.

This innovative approach to installation also applies to the remote port which allows a hookup to a modem or property management system. A switch is activated and when the LED in the back of the system comes on, the system is transmitting and receiving correctly. This new enhancement replaces the conventional method of testing the port with a break-out box or other test gear. It also eliminates the need for soldering if transmit and receive were not correct.

TEL electronics inc. designs, produces and markets proprietary microprocessor-based telephone call accounting, telephone management, line scanners and other telecommunications systems. TEL also markets voice mail/processing systems, automated telephone attendants and property management systems for use by the lodging industry, professional firms, government agencies and general business organizations.

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OAKLAND, CALIF. (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Equitec Financial Group Inc., a financial services company, announced Wednesday that it and certain of its subsidiaries had filed in Oakland for relief under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

Chapter 11 provides for a stay of creditor action while permitting the debtor to formulate a plan of reorganization.

Concurrently with its Chapter 11 filing, Equitec said that shortly it expects to file motions with the Bankruptcy Court for the expedited approval of the Hallwood transaction and an offer to sell the contracts related to the investment management and distribution related operations of the Equitec-Siebel group of funds to Wells Fargo Bank N.A. and Stephens Inc.

In addition, Wells Fargo has expressed possible interest in acquiring the other business of the investment advisor, Siebel Capital Management Inc.

Equitec's Chief Executive Officer and Chairman Richard L. Saalfeld attributed the necessity for Chapter 11 relief to ''difficult times in the real estate industry and to management's commitment to safeguard assets for the benefit of the company's stakeholders.''

Saalfeld said, ''Ideally we would have liked to be able to retain and manage our excellent financial advisory and asset management businesses. However, we recognize that the nature of those businesses and the need to maximize the return to our creditors and shareholders make their prompt disposition necessary.

''We know Wells Fargo and Stephens will each be able to provide continuity and strong financial support to our customers.''

Saalfeld indicated that expeditious approval of the Hallwood transaction would be in the best interests of creditors and shareholders of Equitec and of the limited partners in the affected partnerships. After the consummation of the transactions for which approval is sought, Equitec will continue to complete the restructuring of its financial services businesses.

Equitec's largest shareholder is Inner PacifiCorp Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of PacifiCorp, which holds 49.5 percent of Equitec's common stock and also asserts a claim as a creditor.

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DENVER (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Roger L. Werner Jr., has resigned as president and chief executive officer of ESPN to become president and chief executive officer of Prime Ventures Inc., a new company being formed by Bill Daniels to oversee his sports interests.

Werner, who assumed the ESPN helm in August 1988, has earned a reputation as one of cable's most innovative negotiators and brightest visionaries.

Among other things, Werner is credited for skillfully handling ESPN's telecast rights deal with Major League Baseball last year.

Werner told employees in the network's Bristol, Conn., headquarters and New York office Wednesday afternoon that he was leaving ESPN to assist Daniels in further development of his multi-faceted sports business.

Daniels, regarded as ''the father of cable television'' and one of the

industry's most respected entrepreneurs, owns or has interests in a number of rapidly growing sports ventures throughout the world.

During the past three years, Daniels has built the world's largest independent cable sports programming group which observers say is revolutionizing the television industry and setting new trends in domestic and international programming production.

That group includes six networks that are owned and operated by Daniels and TeleCommunications Inc., five affiliated networks and four regionals which have programming exchange agreements with the Daniels/TCI group. Together, those networks provide sports programming to more than 22 million cable subscribers in 37 states.

In addition, Daniels launched late last year a national sports programming service known as Prime Network to serve the Daniels/TCI regionals, satellite dish owners and cable operators in markets without regional networks.

Specifically, Daniels holdings include majority ownership of Prime Ticket Network, the nation's largest regional cable sports programming network; First Auto Sports Television, a promotions and television production company; and the Denver Grand Prix Auto Race Inc.

ESPN is America's largest basic cable network with more than 56 million subscribers nationwide.

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COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Anheuser-Busch Inc. is shipping more than 4,000 cases of canned water from its Columbus brewery to the Jefferson County area of Newtown.

Extensive flooding of several small towns in Ohio resulted in contaminated water wells. According to Health Department officials, approximately 80 water wells in Jefferson County have not yet been deemed drinkable.

The drinking water, packaged in cases of 12-ounce plain white cans, will be delivered this afternoon to Choice Brands Distributing, the local Anheuser-Busch wholesaler. Choice Brands will handle delivery/distribution of the water to residents in Newtown.

Anheuser-Busch has donated more than 180,000 cases of canned water to crisis areas since 1983, including its most recent donation of 2,200 cases to distressed areas in the Southeast to aid flood victims.

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FRESNO, CA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - WestAir Holding Inc. (AMEX:WAH) Wednesday announced senior management changes related to the merger of its two regional airline units into a single company with two operating divisions.

WestAir announced earlier this week that NPA Inc., which operates in the Pacific Northwest as United Express, will be merged with WestAir Airlines, which operates as United Express in four Western and six Eastern states.

WestAir Holding Chairman Timothy P. Flynn and President Maurice J. Gallagher said that the merger of the two airline subsidiaries is resulting in the consolidation of the administrative, financial and marketing functions in an effort to create a more efficient organization, cut costs and reduce overhead.

As part of the reorganization, Craig Belmondo, 31, has been named senior vice president of Operations for WestAir Airlines effective immediately. Belmondo served most recently as president of WestAir Holding's NPA Inc.

In addition to overseeing the merger and the resulting consolidation of several operations and administrative functions, Belmondo will be responsible for all maintenance, flight operations and airport operations activities for WestAir.

Jim Prouty, 45, will continue as senior vice president and chief financial officer of WestAir Holding and WestAir Airlines.

Kerry Skeen, 37, continues as president of WestAir's Atlantic Coast Division, and the company's Washington-Dulles hub activities.

David Brown, 40, will continue as senior vice president of marketing and sales for WestAir's West Coast Division, adding the Pacific Northwest region to his responsibilities.

Paul Rasmussen, 48, has been appointed vice president of Flight Operations for WestAir Airlines.

Flynn and Gallagher said that other adjustments in its management structure will ensue as the consolidation progresses during the next several weeks.

WestAir is one of the largest regional airlines in the United States with service to 63 cities in 13 states and the District of Columbia. The company operates over 850 daily flights with a fleet of 100 jet and turbo-prop aircraft. Headquartered in Fresno, Calif., WestAir employs 2,800 people.

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COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - A Corporate Public Involvement grant of $100,000 to the United States Olympic Hall of Fame was announced today at the grand opening of new offices for The Lincoln National Life Insurance Co. in Colorado Springs.

''Two great events are happening here today,'' said Stephen K. Goldstone, senior vice president, The Lincoln National Life Insurance Co. and general manager of Market Group I. ''They are the grand opening of our newly constructed group operations center at our headquarters and the announcement of Lincoln National's grant to support the construction of the United States Olympic Hall of Fame.''

In July 1989, Lincoln National Life announced its plans for growth in the Colorado Springs area and began construction of a new office facility in October.

''Today, we are affirming our presence in the community and lending our financial support to the Olympic Hall of Fame,'' Goldstone said. ''When I toured the USOC Training Facilities and felt the vision of the committee, I became convinced this was a project for Lincoln National. It is a significant statement of our commitment to the residents of Colorado Springs and future American athletes who train here.''

''The grant we received from Lincoln National today helps us realize what sometimes has appeared to be an elusive Olympic dream -- a place where the U.S. will preserve its history, celebrate its spirit, commemorate its heroes and inspire the public toward support of the Olympic experience,'' said Dr. Harvey Schiller, executive director of the United States Olympic Committee. ''We have long needed a place to enshrine our Olympic heroes as well as a place where the general public will have access to the Olympic experience in a meaningful way, even beyond the Games.''

The United States Olympic Hall of Fame will establish a symbolic focal point for the Olympic movement in the United States. It will contain high tech, interactive, hands-on displays and exhibits, changing periodically. These exhibits will tour the nation, enhancing the benefit of the Hall of Fame to the general public.

One hour south of Denver, The Hall of Fame will be located on Interstate 25 in Colorado Springs, directly across from the Air Force Academy. Its projected opening date is April 1994.

Lincoln National Life is an affiliate of Lincoln National Corp. (NYSE:LNC) the nation's seventh largest multiline insurance holding company. With headquarters in Fort Wayne, Ind., Lincoln National provides property-casualty insurance, employee life-health benefits, individual life, reinsurance and investment products through its companies. Its assets total $26 billion with revenues exceeding $8 billion.

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WICHITA, KS (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - At a meeting Wednesday of the Lodgistix board of directors, the board elected Paul E. Hammar as its new chairman replacing George A. Zugmier, a founder and current chairman.

Hammar, the president and chief executive officer of Lodgistix, will immediately assume the additional responsibility as chairman of the board. Zugmier remains as a member of the board of directors of the company.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Sutton Resources Ltd. Wednesday said that further to the company's news release of April 16 1990, Kabanga Nickel Co. Ltd. (''Kabanga Nickel''), a wholly owned subsidiary of Romanex International Ltd. has now received government approval for a prospecting licence covering the Kabanga nickel deposit in western Tanzania, Africa.

A formal signing ceremony has been scheduled for next week.

Under terms of an agreement with Romanex, Sutton has the right to earn 55 percent of Romanex's interest in Kabanga Nickel through funding $1,250,000

(U.S.) in exploration costs and issuing 280,000 shares to Romanex. Thereafter a 55/45 joint venture will fund further project costs of Kabanga Nickel, pro rata. In order to vest its interests, Kabanga Nickel must spend $3,500,000 over a three year period and submit a mine evaluation report thereafter.

The Tanzanian government is entitled to receive a minimum 7.5 percent equity interest in Kabanga Nickel at a production decision, and under certain after-tax real rate of return interests, they may elect to receive additional equity interests or increase the mine tax rates.

If the government elects to receive additional equity interests, it can acquire up to a maximum 32.5 percent, after which it may purchase at fair market value an additional 18.5 percent interest in Kabanga Nickel. If the government elects to receive additional mine tax revenues, it may not increase its equity interests.

Taxation rates in Tanzania are 50 percent, except that the first four years of taxable income is taxed at 22.5 percent. The government may retain a 3 percent net smelter royalty. There are no restrictions on export of mine product or repatriation of profit.

The Kabanga nickel deposit is a nickel sulphide magmatic segregation deposit which was discovered and explored in the mid to late 1970's by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) which spent approximately $7,000,000. No other company or organization has ever secured the rights to the property.

The UNDP identified significant geochemical and geophysical targets and conducted several programs of diamond drilling totalling 65,000 feet in 60 holes which outlined two zones of significant nickel, cobalt, copper and gold/platinum mineralization.

The best intercepts are in block 2 and indicate an underground geologic reserve as calculated by the UNDP of 36,751,350 tons (40,500,000 tons) grading 1.05 percent nickel, 0.11 percent cobalt, 0.21 percent copper and 0.01 oz/ton combined gold/platinum. Included in this calculation are 10,704,000 tons of 1.89 percent nickel, 0.14 percent cobalt, 0.29 percent copper which includes a high grade core of 5,909,750 tons of 2.51 percent nickel, 0.11 percent cobalt and 0.31 percent copper. The UNDP also determined that the sulphur/nickel ratio is comparable to those of currently producing nickel sulphide deposits.

Additional to this reserve is a little-explored lower grade zone in block 1 that the UNDP estimated to contain 37,800,000 tons at 0.415 percent nickel, 0.037 percent cobalt and 0.06 percent copper. The combined geologic reserve for both blocks would total 74,551,350 tons (82,150,000 tons) with a weighted average grade of 0.73 percent nickel, 0.07 percent

cobalt and 0.13 percent copper, with a gross contained metal value of about $7.5 billion U.S. at current metal prices.

All mineralization is open to extension and a number of other excellent targets have been drilled. A planned first phase of exploration will include additional diamond drilling to determine the ultimate size of this world class deposit.

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FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - National Lumber & Supply Inc. (OTC:NTLQE) Wednesday reported that the company's board of directors has approved the conversion of its Chapter 11 proceedings under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code to a Chapter 7 liquidation of assets.

The home center retailer noted that the reasons for the Chapter 7 filing were the continued deterioration of the company's cash position and the failure of its principal secured lender to continue funding operations.

On Aug. 10, 1990, the company started to conduct ''clearance'' and ''going out of business'' sales at seven of its 12 remaining stores. On Aug. 17, 1990, National Lumber began liquidating the inventories of three additional stores, leaving two remaining stores, located in Cathedral City and Encinitas, Calif.

Mel Jaffee, president of National Lumber, has been negotiating with the company's creditors' committee to purchase the remaining stores. Other bidders are also making proposals regarding the company's stores. An agreement on the disposition of the company's stores would be subject to approvals by the bankruptcy court and the trustee in the Chapter 7 liquidation.

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TOKYO (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Wednesday introduced a version of its OpenWindows application development environment adapted for the Japanese language, giving software developers an easy-to-use, open solution for porting applications to Japanese.

The new Japanese OpenWindows includes the OPEN LOOK graphical user

interface, the X11/NeWS window system, DeskSet productivity tools and the XView toolkit.

Sun also unveiled a Japanese version of its OpenWindows Developer's Guide, a tool that automatically generates OPEN LOOK code, thereby saving days of development time.

Japanese OpenWindows already has considerable momentum, having been endorsed by 58 software vendors and other firms that serve that market, such as Toshiba, Fujitsu and Fuji Xerox. Many of these companies plan to develop products with Japanese OpenWindows.

Japanese OpenWindows is based on the just-introduced OpenWindows Version 2 which features OPEN LOOK in 3-D. Japanese OpenWindows is the only product that allows users to switch back and forth between English and Japanese within an application by simply pointing the cursor and clicking a button on a mouse.

Japanese XView, which developers use to create OPEN LOOK applications, is the first toolkit to conform to the X Input Method (XIM) specification from the X Consortium. XIM is the proposed vehicle for internationalizing the X Window System. By conforming with XIM, Japanese XView will preserve a developer's investment, since the toolkit will be based on an industry standard.

XView is a very portable toolkit, thus the new Japanese version enables developers to create applications in Japanese for any high-performance computer system that uses the X Window System. For example, XView toolkits in English will be available for UNIX systems made by IBM, Hewlett-Packard, DEC and Apple, while a VMS version will also be introduced this year.

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - North Atlantic Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: NATL), Wednesday annnounced that it has executed a letter of

intent with Mesa Technology Corp. to acquire the operating assets and business of the Mesa Systems Division, a division of Mesa Technology Corp.

The Mesa Systems Division reported sales in excess of $12.5 million in its latest fiscal year ended 3/31/90. It is estimated that the purchase price will be $6.5 million subject to adjustment and that the funds will be financed through one or more of the company's existing lenders. The proposed transaction is subject to the execution of satisfactory definitive agreements, regulatory approvals and consents and completion of corporate review.

The Mesa Systems Divison focuses on the integration and sale of computer systems based on Intel 386 and 486 platforms which are customized to meet ''rugged'' and TEMPEST requirements for Department of Defense applications. This focus will complement North Atlantic's ''rugged'' and TEMPEST peripheral products based business. This acquisition will also allow North Atlantic to continue to pursue its objective of providing more systems products similar to the Data Analysis System (DAS) program it recently won.

Mesa's customer base is principally intelligence agencies whereas North Atlantic's traditional customer base has been the armed services of DOD. The combined customer communities service by North Atlantic and Mesa will broaden the opportunities for the product lines of both companies.

North Atlantic Industries designs, manufactures and markets computer, computer peripheral, communications and instrumentation products to government and aerospace industry customers.

The company is a leading supplier of TEMPEST printers, MIL-SPEC teleprinter and tape storage systems, as well as phase sensitive instruments.

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ISSAQUAH, WASH. (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Personal computer software reseller Egghead Discount Software (NASDAQ: EGGS), Wednesday reported first quarter fiscal 1991 earnings of $2.1 million, or $.13 per share, the company's third consecutive quarterly profit and an increase of $7.3 million over its first quarter fiscal 1990 loss of $5.2 million, or $.32 per share.

During the sixteen week quarter ended July 21, 1990, sales increased 18 percent to $144.7 million over sales of $122.3 million in the like period a year ago.

Egghead's first quarter results included a $1 million addition to the legal reserve for actual and anticipated legal expenses, and a gain of $569,000 on the sale of its personal computer software training and installation subsidiary, Egghead University.

''Thanks to the hard work of hundreds of Egghead employees, we saw marked improvement in the first quarter in two key areas,'' said Stuart M. Sloan, Egghead chairman and chief executive officer. ''Comparable store sales flourished, while selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses as a percentage of sales fell substantially.

''Store closings had an insignificant effect on comparable store sales,'' Sloan said. Comparable retail store sales increased 21.1 percent in stores not affected by closures. Overall, total comparable retail store sales (defined as percentage sales change in stores open more than one year) increased 21.4 percent. ''The comp store increase can be attributed to more strategically focused and enhanced marketing programs compared to first quarter 1990, to our improved in-stock position, to the introduction of significant new products during the quarter, and to strong performances on the part of store personnel,'' Sloan concluded.

Retail store sales, which accounted for 42 percent of Egghead's first quarter 1991 revenues, were up 22 percent from the first quarter a year ago.

Egghead opened one retail store, closed nine stores, and operated 192 stores at the end of the first quarter. The company had reserves for the closure or relocation of 14 retail stores at the end of the quarter, compared to reserves for the closure or relocation of 23 stores at the end of fiscal year 1990. The total number of stores expected to be closed or relocated did not change.

Egghead Discount Software sells personal computer software, peripherals, and accessories to individuals, businesses and government accounts through its company-operated retail stores and through its direct sales force in the U.S. and Canada. Egghead currently operates 189 retail stores and employs a direct sales force of approximately 317.

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CARLSBAD, CA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - International Totalizator Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ITSI) reported that 99.6 percent ($5.18 million) of the original $5.2 million issue of its 10 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2003 has been converted.

ITS called the remaining debentures for redemption on Aug. 1, 1990, at which time less than $2.3 million remained outstanding. ITS will pay only $20,000 at redemption on Sept. 4, 1990. After conversion, ITS has 9.6 million common shares outstanding, approximately 8.5 million of which are in the public float.

The benefits to the company and its shareholders are the elimination of substantially all long-term debt on the balance sheet, a much improved long-term debt to capitalization ratio from over 55 percent at Dec. 31, 1988, to less than 1 percent after conversion, and elimination of related interest expenditures.

Importantly, the company's balance sheet strength provides considerable flexibility for financing current and future growth. To all of the debenture holders who elected conversion, ITS expresses its appreciation for the confidence in its continued development and success.

ITS, with headquarters in Carlsbad, was founded in 1978 and went public in 1981. ITS has a global presence in the design, manufacture and marketing of customized ticketing systems for computerized wagering, lotteries and automated travel industry products.

McKinnie & Associates, a wholly owned subsidiary, has developed and markets a proprietary and specialized management information system for parimutuel wagering, sporting and entertainment facilities.

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LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Megamation Inc. (NASDAQ Symbols: MEGI, MEGIW) Wednesday announced that it has received a purchase order through a Systems Integrator to provide Northern Telecom Inc. (NYSE Symbol: NORTEL; 1989 Revenues: $6.1 billion) with five Mega 1 automated multiple-head robotic assembly systems. The purchase order is valued in excess of $800,000.

Northern Telecom Inc. will use the Mega 1's at its Research Triangle Park North Carolina plant to improve efficiency in its line card manufacturing process. ''With the Mega 1's, we will maintain our output with fewer

assembly lines,'' said Doug Trimble, General Manager of Operations, Integrated Network Systems, Northern Telecom. ''And that frees up valuable manufacturing space and resources needed in our expanding business world.''

Megamation, Inc. noted that it has already shipped one of the NTI units and expects to ship the remaining four units in September.

Jacobs continued, ''Northern Telecom will use the Mega 1's for high volume production at its Integrated Network System Group's (INS) headquarters in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. We are hopeful that as the Mega 1's are successfully integrated into Northern Telecom's manufacturing systems in Research Triangle Park, additional purchase orders may be forthcoming from other Northern Telecom facilities around the United States and Canada.''

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

Megamation Inc. manufactures, markets and sells automated multiple-head robotic assembly systems known as MEGA 1. The Company designed and developed the MEGA 1 System primarily for small parts assembly and handling applications in the electronics, light manufacturing, automobile and other industries.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The Horn & Hardart Company (AMEX: HOR) Wednesday announced that it has entered into an agreement to sell its Bojangles' Chicken 'N Biscuits restaurant chain in exchange for $20 million principal amount of Horn & Hardart's 14 percent Senior Subordinated Debentures.

The purchaser is a company organized by Sienna Holdings, a private, Los Angeles-based investment firm. Horn & Hardart anticipates that the transaction will close promptly.

The Bojangles' restaurant system is comprised of 23 company-owned units and approximately 150 franchised restaurants in seven Southeastern states. The assets being sold do not include any owned real estate.

Under Horn & Hardart's previously announced restructure plan, it was the

Company's intention to sell its East Coast restaurant operations, which include the Bojangles' Chicken 'N Biscuits chain, Burger King, Arby's and Tony Roma's restaurants, as well as its New York City real estate interests and the Company's interest in The Paddlewheel Hotel in Las Vegas Nevada.

To date, the Company has sold its Burger King franchise and certain restaurants to Burger King Corporation; sold its Arby's restaurants located in South Florida to Arby's Inc.; sold or leased 21 closed restaurant locations to third parties; has contracted for the sale of a 2.5 acre vacant lot in Las Vegas; and has now entered into the agreement to sell Bojangles'.

The foregoing transactions account for over $50 million under the Company's restructure plan. The gain on the sale of Bojangles' will be deferred in accordance with the Company's accounting policy. Discussions continue with respect to the sale of the Company's Tony Roma's restaurants Paddlewheel Hotel and New York City real estate interests.

Mr. Schupak said, ''The Company's restructure activities will be able to focus on the disposition of its New York City real estate now that the difficult task of simultaneous managing and divesting troubled operating assets has been substantially completed.'' Horn & Hardart continues to own and operate International King's Table, the largest buffet-restaurant chain in its market. The Hanover Companies, Horn & Hardart's direct marketing business, is one of the largest mail-order marketers in the United States.

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EVANSTON, IL (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - An American Rotarian has given the largest gift ever received from an individual donor to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International.

James A. Buchanan IV, of Potomac, Md., has transferred more than $3 million through a charitable remainder unitrust benefiting The Rotary Foundation's Endowment Fund for World Understanding. On Friday, Aug. 31, Buchanan will be honored at Rotary International's Evanston headquarters.

In announcing the gift, Buchanan said he is impressed by the foundation's record of efficiently managing its resources. In a 1989 report on the top

100 U.S.-based charitable organizations, the NonProfit Times ranked The Rotary Foundation the second fastest growing and third lowest in administrative costs.

The Rotary Foundation provides humanitarian grants which fund health and development projects throughout the world. It also creates international ambassadors of goodwill through awards to university students and teachers and through the international exchange of business and professional people.

The $3 million-plus unitrust will provide income to Buchanan and his wife, Fay, as long as either lives. At the death of the last beneficiary, proceeds from the trust will be placed in endowment where annual earnings will provide unrestricted support for Rotary Foundation programs. Unlike Rotary International, which operates on annual per capita membership dues, the foundation operates on voluntary contributions.

Both Rotary International's world president, Paulo Costa of Brazil, and the chairman of the foundation trustees, Carlos Canseco of Mexico, will participate in the Aug. 31 ceremonies in Evanston. Buchanan will receive one of the new Tiffany crystal spheres designed to recognize major foundation donors and his portrait will be placed in the headquarters' new Hall of Honor.

A Rotarian for 38 years and past district governor, Buchanan was a building contractor before his retirement. He is a member of the advisory board of the American Automobile Association and is former chairman of the board of the Military Pilots Association. In addition, he served as president of the West Montgomery County Civic Association.

Rotary, the world's first service club association, was founded in Chicago in 1905. There are 1.1 million members of more than 25,000 Rotary clubs in 172 countries and geographical regions.

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SPOKANE, WA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Gold Reserve Corp. has received a favorable ruling in a dissenter's rights lawsuit.

As a result of the April 10, 1986, exchange agreement with Pegasus, whereby Gold Reserve exchanged its mining interests for shares in Pegasus, eight shareholders of the company exercised their right to dissent to the transaction and obtain fair value payment for their shares.

The company purchased 172,453 shares from the dissenting shareholders by paying them market value. Six shareholders then submitted further claims to the company demanding up to $1,100,000 as additional payment for their shares.

The Montana District Court agreed with Gold Reserve that the market value paid by Gold Reserve represented fair value. As a result of this favorable ruling and a recent decision from the Court of Appeals for the state of Washington in a related lawsuit, the potential liability of $1,100,000 has been eliminated.

In addition, as a result of the Court of Appeal's favorable decision on the related lawsuit, the company will receive back 201,548 of its shares, or 3.6 percent of the company.

Rockne J. Timm, president of the company, stated, ''I am pleased that this time-consuming and costly litigation is behind us, the $1,100,000 potential liability has been eliminated, and the company will receive back 3.6 percent of its shares.''

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RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CALIF. (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Ultra Shield Products International Inc. (USPI), a leader in the chemical consumer and industrial product industry, and its Chief Executive Officer Robert L. Tierney, announced that it has been acquired by Aerial Acquisitions Inc. (ARAQU), a pool out of Tri-Bradley in Englewood, Co.

Under the terms of the acquisition, ''Aerial'' has acquired 94.9 percent of the issued and outstanding shares of Ultra Shield Products International Inc. Furthermore, USPI acquired 30 million shares of restricted Aerial Common Stock from the principles of ''Aerial.''

Aerial and USPI are now preparing a Post Effective Amendment to Aerial's Form S-18 Registration Statement. Ultra Shield with $2.48 million in net worth will be traded on NASDAQ at the Post Effective date, which should be Oct. 1.

The merger will contribute to Ultra Shield's expansion whereby it expects to do $89 million in sales between now and 1993. The units of Aerial are now structured with A&B warrants which when exercised could net USPI an additional $4.2 million in expansion funds.

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SAN JOSE, CA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Valid Logic Systems Inc. Wednesday reported that it had been incorrectly listed in a Standard & Poors ''Stocks to Watch'' update yesterday morning.

The item, which was supposed to concern San Jose ASIC vendor VLSI Technology's announcement of a third quarter charge and expected operating loss, erroneously attributed the announcement to Valid. A correction was issued by Standard & Poors at 3:15 in the afternoon.

Valid designs, manufactures, markets and supports a full line of EDA solutions based on industry standard hardware, operating systems and networks. Valid products are used to develop electronic systems, including integrated circuits (ICs), application-specific ICs (ASICs) and printed circuit boards (PCBs).

Valid corporate headquarters is located at 2820 Orchard Parkway, San Jose, Calif. 95134. Telephone, 408/432-9400.

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MENLO PARK, CALIF. (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Liposome Technology Inc. (LTI) (NASDAQ:LTIZ), a California-based pharmaceutical company, Wednesday announced the receipt of a U.S patent (No. 4,952,405) related to injectable liposomal gentamicin.

The new patent claims the use of liposomal gentamicin, an aminoglycoside antibiotic, to treat patients with infectious levels of Mycobacterium avium present in both the bloodstream and the reticuloendothelial system (RES).

M. avium, a common systemic bacterial infection in patients with AIDS, is typically treated with a combination of three or four orally administered drugs and, to a lesser extent, by intravenous infusion of amikacin, also an aminoglycoside antibiotic. However, no drug has yet been specifically approved by the FDA for treating M. avium.

A major difficulty in treating the disease, and one reason why a combination of drugs is used, is that current therapies are effective against infection residing in the bloodstream but are comparatively

ineffective against M. avium residing in macrophages of the liver, spleen and other RES tissue, where bacteria are protected from the drug.

The independent claim in LTI's new patent covers a method of treating M. avium by IV administration of a suspension of liposomes containing entrapped gentamicin, and repeating the drug administration until the desired therapeutic outcome is achieved.

Other dependent claims cover the drug dosage and selected liposomal gentamicin formulations with the pharmaceutically appropriate stability characteristics and lipid-to-drug ratio. The patent itself describes preferred methods for preparing the formulations and sizing the liposomes, which are the subjects of other issued LTI patents.

Located in Menlo Park, LTI currently is developing injectable liposomal doxorubicin and epirubicin for anticancer therapy, injectable amphotericin B colloidal dispersion for antifungal treatment, and inhaled liposomal albuterol to treat asthma and bronchitis.

The company's second-generation product focus in on utilizing LTI's proprietary Stealth liposomes to target IV oncologicals to tumors and to deliver therapeutic proteins and peptides.

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DENVER (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Scott's Liquid Gold-Inc., Denver, announced the election of Mark E. Goldstein as its corporate president and chief executive officer.

Prior to his election, Goldstein served as the corporation's vice president-marketing and was president of SLG Chemicals Inc. and Aquafilter Corp., two of the company's subsidiaries.

During his tenure as vice president-marketing, the company's sales volume increased by approximately 100 percent.

Goldstein joined the company in 1978. He is a graduate of Syracuse University. Goldstein resides in the Denver area with his wife, Barbara, and two children. He is 34 years old.

Jerome J. Goldstein, the company's founder and former president, will continue to serve in his capacity as chairman of the board of Scott's Liquid Gold-Inc.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - AIFS Inc. (AMEX,PSE:AIF), an international educational services company, announced that its stockholders at a meeting held Wednesday approved the merger of Marina Holdings Corp. into AIFS Inc. pursuant to which the unaffiliated stockholders of AIFS Inc. would receive $6.50 per share in cash.

Roger O. Walther, president and chief executive officer, said that more than 80 percent of the stock-holders, including more than 95 percent of the unaffiliated stockholders present and voting had approved the merger. He stated that the company now expected to consummate the merger shortly.

Walther also stated that the shareholders had re-elected four of its existing directors and approved certain amendments to the stock option plan.

ELS Educational service operates 20 centers throughout the United States for intensive English language training for foreign students. American Council for International Studies is a leading operator of overseas educational travel programs for high school students and teachers.

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BURLINGTON, VT (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Banknorth Group Inc. announced Wednesday the signing of a long-term facilities management agreement for its data processing needs with Systematics Inc. of Little Rock, Ark.

The agreement, which will take effect Sept. 1, 1990, calls for Systematics to install common systems in each of the five Banknorth Group banks in Vermont and to operate the company's facilities in Williston and Rutland, according to Thomas J. Pruitt, executive vice president and chief financial officer.

''Banknorth will realize substantial reductions in data processing expense over the next several years after the initial expense of conversion,'' said Pruitt. ''The new common systems, which will be implemented in 1991, will enable the banks to offer enhanced customer services as well as affording us the opportunity to look for additional savings by

streamlining our backroom operations. The data processing employees presently on staff will be employed by Systematics, making this an opportunity for everyone concerned. Of the more than 30 alternatives that were studied, the Systematics proposal offered the most benefits to the company, its employees and the banking customers we serve,'' he said.

Banknorth Group Inc., the largest commercial banking company in Vermont, was formed on Dec. 1, 1989 with merger of Banknorth Group Inc. and Howard Bancorp and is comprised of First Vermont Bank and Trust Co., Franklin Lamoille Bank, Granite Savings Bank and Trust Co., The Howard Bank N.A. and Woodstock National Bank.

Banknorth Group Inc. common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market system under the symbol BKNG. Information published prior to Dec. 1, 1989 does not relate to the new BKNG stock.

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ALAMEDA, CA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Aquanautics Corp. (NASDAQ:AQNT) and ZapatA Industries Inc. Wednesday announced the completion of a full-scale manufacturing system for the commercial production of SmartCap oxygen barrier bottle closures.

SmartCap closures, which impede oxygen from spoiling the flavor of beer and other bottled beverages, will be available to brewers and beverage closure manufacturers before the end of the year.

''SmartCap crowns will preserve the crisp, fresh flavor of beer and other beverages and extend product shelf life longer than ordinary bottle closures,'' said N. Ross Buckenham, president and chief executive officer of Aquanautics Corp.

SmartCap crowns will initially be manufactured and assembled by ZapatA Industries Inc., (Muskogee, Okla.), a major supplier of bottle closures to leading U.S. and international brewers.

SmartCap crowns contain proprietary oxygen control compounds developed by Aquanautics Corp. Future SmartCap closures will absorb existing oxygen from the beverage itself in addition to actively blocking oxygen infiltration from outside the bottle.

Aquanautics Corp. is a specialty chemical company producing new oxygen

control technologies. Aquanautics' proprietary synthetic oxygen-binding molecules can be structured into a variety of systems for extracting concentrating and/or eliminating oxygen.

The company is currently developing products and applications for food, medical, industrial and defense markets.

SmartCap Corp. is being formed as an Aquanautics and ZapatA owned joint venture company specializing in oxygen control closures and will market all products to beer and beverage processors and closure manufacturers worldwide.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Group, Inc. (AIG) and International Lease Finance Corporation (ILFC) stated today that if all of the conditions to the merger between ILFC and a wholly-owned subsidiary of AIG are satisfied or waived on Friday August 31, 1990, including receipt by each party of a satisfactory tax opinion (a condition which will not be waived), the parties may decide to consummate the merger even if the Closing Price (as defined in the Merger Agreement) of AIG stock is below $66.45. Final determination with respect to the receipt of satisfactory tax opinions and the possible waiver of the parties' termination rights if the Closing Price of AIG stock is below $66.45 is expected to be made after the close of the market on Thursday August 30, 1990.

AIG is a leading international insurance organization and the largest underwriter of commercial and industrial insurance in the United States. Its member companies write insurance in more than 130 countries and jurisdictions, and are increasingly engaged in a range of other financial services. American International Group, Inc.'s common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, as well as the stock exchanges in London, Paris, and Tokyo.

As the world's premier independent owner and lessor of commercial jet transport, ILFC has built a portfolio of 98 advanced-technology jet aircraft averaging three years in age with an asset value exceeding $3 billion.

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The first half of 1990 was one of unpredictable turns of events for most of the mining industry, and Salt Lake City-based Alta Gold Co. (NASDAQ:ALTA) finished the six-month period of slumping gold prices and rising base metal prices with mixed results.

Dan S. Bushnell, chairman and chief executive officer, reported the company produced 47,261 ounces of gold through June 30, an increase of 15,770 ounces over the comparable period a year ago.

He also said the first production of base metal concentrates began in the second quarter from the Ward underground mine and the Taylor Mill, south of Ely, Nev. From April through June, the company produced 3 million pounds of payable zinc, 539,910 pounds of lead and 14,338 ounces of silver in zinc and lead concentrate form. The operation will begin shipping copper concentrate in the third quarter of 1990.

Revenues from the sales of gold, base metals and management fees earned from managing joint venture operations during the first half of the year were $21,163,000 compared to $17,775,000 in the first six months of 1989. The company had a six-month net loss of $2,431,000, or 9 cents per share compared to net income for the same period in 1989 of $215,000.

Bushnell reported that the company's cash production costs for gold decreased from an average of $379 per ounce of gold in the first quarter to approximately $287 per ounce in the second quarter, thus most of the net loss for the first six months occurred during difficult start-up conditions in the first quarter. The improvement in the second quarter's operations was partially offset by a severe drop in gold prices.

The company implemented major cost-cutting measures late in the second quarter, such as reducing the work force by 230 people and curtailing mining operations at some of the company's low-grade ore deposits.

Even though the direct expenses relating to the cost reduction program occurred in the second quarter of 1990, the benefits will be recognized during subsequent quarters. For instance, in July, the cash production cost at the Robinson operation decreased to $248 per ounce compared with a first quarter average cost of more than $400 per ounce.

Also, during the second quarter, Bushnell said the company took advantage of depressed gold prices and income from forward gold sales to reduce bank indebtedness by 33 percent, from $31,250,000 to $21 million. Working capital increased by $4,260,727 during the first six months of 1990, however the increase was absorbed in inventories. Current liabilities increased $1.7 million during the same period creating pressure on the company's short-term cash flow.

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EVERETT, WA (AUG. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Following the Aug. 27, 1990, meeting of the John Fluke Mfg. Co. Inc. (ASE:FKM) board of directors, the company's eighth consecutive quarterly cash dividend was declared.

The dividend will be 8 cents per share to stockholders of record as of Sept. 28, 1990, to be paid on or before Oct. 19, 1990.

John Fluke Mfg. Co. Inc. is a leading manufacturer of electronic instrumentation and services that improve the productivity of technical users engaged in research, service, design, manufacturing and calibration. Fluke serves customers who are manufacturers and users of electronic and electrical equipment in defense and aerospace, government agencies, computers and peripherals, electronic instrumentation, communications, utilities, automotive, and consumer electronics.

Founded in 1948 and headquartered in Everett, Fluke employs over 2,000 people worldwide, producing sales of $247.7 million in its most recent fiscal year, ended Sept. 29, 1989.

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WESTFORD, MA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation and Mercury Computer Systems, Inc. jointly announced the availability of Mercury's vector processor module, the VA2, as an option for Concurrent's 6000 and 8000 real-time UNIX systems. The VA2 will be distributed by Concurrent.

The VA2 is a high-performance, single-slot attached processor, based on Intel's 40 MHz i860 microprocessor. The VA2 performs 32- and 64-bit

floating-point, vector/scalar computations at up to 40 MIPS/80 MFLOPS, bringing enormous power to compute-intensive applications. Software features include multiprocessing, multitasking, custom libraries, and a complete software development environment. Hardware features include up to 16 Mbytes of memory and an open architecture bus with direct access to the i860 microprocessor for high speed I/O.

''Mercury was selected for the VA2 project not only on the basis of technical superiority, but also for its long track record of achievements. Since 1983, Mercury has been a dominant player in the board level application accelerator market; at $25 million in sales, Mercury is the market leader in attached vector processing subsystems,'' said Stephen A. Schuster, Concurrent's product marketing manager for real-time systems.

Jay Bertelli, president of Mercury Computer Systems, Inc. added, ''Mercury is pleased to be working with Concurrent on this project; we share a common interest in terms of the markets we serve and the applications we understand and support. We believe our efforts will complement those of Concurrent and allow Concurrent's users to attain new levels of speed and performance.''

''The combination of a high-performance vector engine and Concurrent's real-time UNIX platforms is an ideal solution to many of the complex problems we encounter in data acquisition, image processing and simulation applications. We can achieve extremely high throughput with these systems, while operating in a highly predictable, standards-based environment,'' said Henk Schalke, vice president and general manager of Concurrent's Small Systems Division.

Concurrent expects the VA2 to be available in September 1990; prices start at $19,100.

Mercury Computer Systems, Inc., based in Lowell, Massachusetts, develops and produces high-performance embedded and attached computer systems for compute and I/O intensive applications. Mercury's systems dramatically enhance floating-point performance in signal processing and analysis, simulation/training, medical imaging, and seismic analysis applications. Named No. 16 on the 1989 INC. 500 list of America's fastest growing private companies, Mercury is supported by an active and growing customer base, with more than 6,500 systems installed worldwide.

Concurrent Computer Corp., headquartered in Tinton Falls, New Jersey, is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketing through the Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems Groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market Systems.

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ROCKVILLE, MD (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The GEnie service, one of the leading online information services, has announced the introduction, effective Oct. 1, 1990, of a flat subscription rate of just $4.95 (U.S.) per month including unlimited, non-prime time access to more than 100 products and services.

This new monthly rate will make it possible for GEnie service subscribers -- and members of their families -- to access a wide variety of popular products and services on the GEnie service without the concern of running up costly fees each month as a result of hourly access rates.

In making the announcement, Bill Louden, general manager of the GEnie service, said, ''Our market research told us that the number one thing our subscribers wanted in an online information service was a flat monthly rate for accessing a wide variety of products and services.

''As a result, we will be launching, effective Oct. 1, 1990, our GEnie Star-Services with a subscription rate of only $4.95 per month,'' said Louden. ''Our new pricing structure on GEnie is similar to the concept of Cable TV where viewers pay a monthly rate for unlimited access to basic services, and an additional cost for value added services,'' he explained.

''With this new flat monthly rate for non-prime time access to over 100 of the GEnie service features, the online costs of many GEnie service subscribers could be reduced,'' added Louden.

The rate for U.S. access to those GEnie service products/services not covered under the flat monthly rate has been set at just $6 per hour during non-prime time for all three access speeds (300, 1200 and 2400 baud). This is a $4 per hour reduction in the current 2400 baud non-prime time rate. The prime time rate remains at $18 per hour for all three access speeds.

Since more than 60 percent of the 209,000 subscribers on the GEnie service have 2400 baud modems, this lower non-prime time rate of only $6/hour for 2400 baud access also will result in faster, more cost-effective software

downloads on the GEnie service, which has more than 85,000 files available for downloading.

To access the GEnie Star-Services in Canada, the monthly subscription rate is $5.95 (Canadian), with a non-prime time rate of $8 (Canadian) per hour for all three access speeds. Prime time rate is $25.00 (Canadian) per hour for all three access speeds.

The $29.95 sign-up fee for the GEnie service also has been eliminated for all new subscribers effective immediately. As a result, there is no real cost to subscribe to the GEnie service, except for the first month subscription rate of $4.95.

After trying the GEnie Star-Services for the first month, if a subscriber does not like it, he/she can cancel his/her membership and the GEnie service will refund the $4.95 subscription fee to them. (This offer applies only to first time new subscribers to the GEnie service, once per household.)

''We feel this new monthly rate for non-prime access to GEnie will be eagerly accepted by many of our subscribers as they will no longer have to watch the clock when they are using the GEnie Star-Services,'' said Louden.

''The GEnie service will now provide its U.S. and Canadian subscribers with the most extensive and cost-effective package of online services available today for a flat monthly rate,'' remarked Louden. ''GEnie's original motto of 'Stay Online Longer for Less' is even more appropriate now with the introduction of this flat monthly rate,'' he remarked.

First operational in 1985, the GEnie service is one of the fastest growing online information services with more than 209,000 individual subscribers. Available throughout the U.S. and Canada, the GEnie service also can be accessed in Japan, West Germany, Austria and Switzerland.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Management Technologies Corp. (''IMTECH'') (NASDAQ:IMTKA (common), IMTKU (units), IMTKW (warrants)) Wednesday announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, IMTECH Optical Systems and TurningPoint Systems Inc. have signed a joint distribution agreement.

TurningPoint Systems Inc., a national IBM business partner, provides

quality software and services to wholesalers/distributors in a wide range of industries that require specialized distribution techniques, management and control.

Under the terms of the agreements, TurningPoint will offer IMTECH Optical Systems' PC-based optical data storage product ''COINS'' (Computer Output INformation System) in their product line. COINS allows computer output to be stored, retrieved, and viewed or printed, eliminating the need for paper copies, computer output microfilm or expensive magnetic storage. IMTECH expects this agreement to begin to generate revenues during the second quarter which ends September 30, 1990.

Pierce Lowrey, chief executive officer of IMTECH commented, ''Our agreement with TurningPoint will enable COINS to further penetrate the wholesale/distribution market which is a key element in our aggressive COINS marketing program. COINS is currently installed in the government, distribution, banking, finance, hospitality, health care, transportation and manufacturing industries.''

Paul Cissel, chief operating officer of TurningPoint commented, ''We believe that business relationships, such as our agreement with IMTECH, will benefit our customers by extending the scope of our product offerings which enables us to develop targeted solutions to their distribution systems needs.''

IMTECH provides on-site and off-site ''outsourcing''of a wide range of back office services to firms in the services sector. These services include an optical data storage system -- Computer Output INformation System (COINS), electronic publishing, fulfillment, printing, reproduction and general mail room operations.

IMTECH's information facilities management (''IFM'') capabilities provide companies with the ability to contract out ancillary services to reduce operating costs and improve productivity, thereby allowing management to focus on its primary corporate objectives.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Philip Morris Companies Inc. Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend on the common stock of $.43 a share payable October 10, to stockholders of record on September 14.

The dividend is an increase of 25.1 percent over the previous quarterly dividend of $.34375 a share. The new dividend rate is equivalent to $1.72 per share annually.

This will be the 26th consecutive increase in the quarterly dividend payment in the last 23 years. Over the past ten years, dividends have grown at an average annual rate of 24 percent.

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MIAMI (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - TO-FITNESS Inc. (BSE:TFI) announced Wednesday that the company has entered into an agreement with the Sigma Alpha Entertainment Group Ltd. that, subject to financing and certain other conditions, would result in the combination of TO-FITNESS and the Sigma Alpha Entertainment Group, currently a privately owned company.

Sigma Alpha, headquartered in Philadelphia, is a diversified entertainment company comprised of Informercial, Publishing, Record and Studio Divisions. Major artists, including The Rolling Stones, David Bowie, Patti LaBelle and Michael Jackson, have utilized the award winning Sigma Alpha facilities.

In addition, the company's record division had a three year exclusive domestic distribution and manufacturing arrangement with Capitol Records and their wholly owned subsidiary, CEMA Distribution. Internationally, Sigma Alpha has executed a licensing agreement with BCM of Germany, the largest independent label in Europe.

Sigma Alpha also has a sub-publishing arrangement with EMI, the world's largest music publisher.

Edmund Abramson, chairman of TO-FITNESS, stated that the conditions requisite to closing are being addressed and are expected to be completed within 30 days.

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CINCINNATI (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The United States Shoe Corp. today reported results of operations for the fiscal second quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990.

Consolidated net sales totaled $671,442,000 compared to $583,247,000 in the second quarter of 1989, an increase of 15 percent. Net earnings were $1,855,000, a decrease of 29 percent from $2,613,000 in the same period a year ago. Earnings per share were 4 cents compared to 6 cents in the second quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended Aug. 4, U.S. Shoe had consolidated net sales of $1,338,177,000, up 16 percent from $1,152,190,000 in the first half of 1989. The company reported net earnings of $19,285,000, an increase of 149 percent from $7,754,000 in the same period last year. Earnings per share amounted to 43 cents compared to 17 cents in the first half of 1989.

Improved second quarter earnings in the Women's Apparel Retailing Group and Footwear Group were more than offset by lower earnings at the LensCrafters Optical Retailing Group. The strong improvement in earnings for the first half reflects the company's record first quarter earnings, where improvements were registered in each of the company's three major business groups, and good second quarter performances by the Women's Apparel Retailing and Footwear Groups.

Second quarter sales in the Women's Apparel Retailing Group increased 17 percent compared to the same period in 1989. Comparable store sales were up 17 percent over last year. Operating earnings of $531,000 reflect the typical seasonality of women's apparel retailing, but represent improvement over a loss of $174,000 in the second quarter last year.

In general, the women's apparel retailing divisions enjoyed strong comparable store sales increases in the quarter, with Casual Corner continuing its consistent earnings improvement trend and Peitie Sophisticate maintaining a strong performance. Casual Corner and Petite Sophisticate together account for about 70 percent of the group's sales. Casual Corner has now registered operating earnings improvements for seven consecutive quarters. Ups 'N Downs recorded losses in the quarter that exceeded its second quarter losses a year ago.

In the LensCrafters Optical Retailing Group, second quarter sales increased 13 percent, although comparable store sales were about even vs. a year ago. Operating earnings for the quarter declined 55 percent

compared to the second quarter of 1989. LensCrafters operated 388 optical superstores in the United States and Canada at the end of the second quarter, compared to 305 at the same time last year.

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WILLOW GROVE, PA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Hope Technologies (NASDAQ/PhSE:HPE X; HPEU X; HPEWB X) Wednesday made the following corporate announcement.

Stephen Hope, president of the company, announced today that its board of directors has extended the expiration date of the company's outstanding warrants to purchase 14 million shares of its class B common stock from Sept. 30 to Dec. 30.

The company has filed a post-effective amendment to its registration statement relating to the common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants. The warrants may not be exercised until the registration statement becomes effective with the SEC, and a current prospectus is delivered to the warrantholders.

At, or at any point after that time, the company could exercise its right to call the warrants, notwithstanding that the warrant expiration date has been extended. If the warrants are called the holders would then have a period of 30 days to exercise their warrants before such warrants were redeemed by the company at the redemption price of $.001 per share.

Hope Technologies Inc. invents, designs, manufactures and sells high quality and professional, image processing systems. It distributes its products through a worldwide network of dealers and has distribution agreements with original equipment manufacturers.

In addition to company is in the final stages of developing a rechargeable solid state lithium battery.

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UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Union Corp. Wednesday introduced LANAccess, a software package that provides LAN E-Mail applications and productivity applications with a gateway to the rich capabilities of Western Union's EasyLink messaging services.

Steven Graham, vice president - Marketing for Western Union's Business Services unit, said, ''Now local area network users will have easy access to wide area communications with business partners. The integration of a local LAN Mail product with LANAccess's off-net E-Mail capabilities presents businesses with an unparalleled breadth of communications reach.''

The introduction of LANAccess supports the trend toward linking local area networks to wide area networks. Western Union's LAN gateway opens the entire business world to LAN users. With LANAccess, workstation users may send E-Mail, EDI documents, word-processing files and binary files such as spreadsheet files, and receive notification of delivery.

Users also may access EasyLink's FYI News (SM) and InfoMaster (R) services to retrieve information on a broad array of topics, including current events, business news, stock quotes and travel.

For the LAN administrator, LANAccess provides numerous time and cost savings via the following features: automated inbound message routing; database directory of communication partners; ability to schedule transmissions at selected time intervals, and chronological log of communications for easy tracking.

LANAccess maximizes the capabilities of Message Handling Service (MHS), the standard adopted by leading LAN E-Mail vendors, and works with popular MHS-supported products such as WordPerfect Office, DaVinci E-Mail, cc:Mail and Higgins Mail. The LANAccess interface is completely transparent to the LAN E-Mail user and allows a Western Union message recipient to be selected in the same manner as a local recipient is selected from the LAN Mail address list.

LANAccess also enables users to communicate from their LAN PC stations to business partners who do not have electronic technology in place. This is accomplished through the ability to send messages for paper-based delivery via fax, cablegram and Western Union's Mailgram (R) and Priority Letter (SM) services.

In addition to the MHS gateway component of LANAccess, interactive communications is available for real-time utilization of Western Union's online services such as interactive telex, FYI News and InfoMaster database services.

LANAccess provides many economies to LAN users. Through PC technology, an industry-first multichanneling feature is provided, which permits up to

four simultaneous communications sessions per one modem, maximizing modem capabilities. LANAccess is expected to sell for about $1,000.

The product will be available through Western Union's national sales force or through the Company's telemarketing center. For more information, contact Western Union OfficeAccess Marketing at 1-800-988-5000.

Western Union Corp. provides a broad range of messaging, financial and other services, both domestically and internationally, to meet specific needs of business customers and individual consumers. The company is the leading provider of public electronic mail services, which enable its business customers to reach more than seven million electronic mail, fax and telex users worldwide.

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CARLSTADT, NJ (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Trilling Medical Technologies Wednesday announced that it has filed a patent application on the Water-Jel Fire Robe, a product that significantly increases the ease with which rescuers can maneuver in multiple-rescue fire emergencies.

Designed with a protective hood and glove-like handgrips, the Fire Robe is saturated with the same fire resistant gel used in other Trilling products. The result is a product specially designed to protect both rescuer and victim from intense heat, smoke and flames. Commenting on the patent pending status of the Fire Robe application Trilling President Peter Cohen stated, ''We believe the Fire Robe's singular capabilities make it a perfect candidate for patent protection.''

''The Fire Robe also represents the thrid Water-Jel product Trilling has introduced, and we expect it will broaden our marketplace considerably,'' continued Cohen. ''Its unique construction complements our existing line of Sterile Burn Dressings and Fire Blankets.''

Cohen announced that Trilling has begun manufacturing and marketing the Fire Robe both domestically and abroad. The international market for this product is particularly large since fire departments overseas are often not equipped with the same quality protective gear found in the United States. The product has already been introduced to the Israeli market, where it has been mandated for use throughout the public transit and school systems.

Additional orders have also been placed by companies in France, Norway and Egypt. The target market for the Water-Jel Fire Robe includes disaster relief centers and fire departments.

Water-Jel gel is made from natural plant oils and powders that are very effective for burn first aid. When applied to a victim, Water-Jel extinguishes fire, cools the wound and eases pain. Water-Jel Sterile Burn Dressings and Fire Blankets, which come in various sizes, are currently sold to industrial and manufacturing companies, the military, fire and police departments and rescue squads. The Burn Dressings will be available to consumers through a licensing agreement with Pfizer Inc.

New products currently in development include a Water-Jel Sterile Face Mask for facial burn first aid and a sunburn cream.

Trilling's common shares are traded with the symbol BURN; the Class A Warrants are BURNZ and Class B warrants are BURNW.

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RIVERHEAD, NY (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Suffolk Bancorp (NASDAQ:SUBK) Wednesday announced that the board of directors, at their regular meeting on Aug. 27, voted to declare a regular quarterly dividend of 14 cents per share of common stock to all shareholders of record on Sept. 14, payable on Oct. 1.

The aggregate dividend will be $464,544.64, based on 3,318,176 shares outstanding.

Suffolk Bancorp is a one-bank holding company engaged in the commercial banking business through The Suffolk County National Bank, a full service commercial bank headquartered in Riverhead, N.Y.

''SCNB'' is Suffolk Bancorp's wholly owned subsidiary. Organized in 1890 The Suffolk County National Bank is the second largest independent bank headquartered on Long Island.

The Suffolk County National Bank maintains offices in Center Moriches, Cutchogue, Hampton Bays, Mattituck, Medford, Riverhead, Port Jefferson, Wading River, and Westahampton Beach, N.Y.

Suffolk Bancorp also owns Island Computer Corporation of New York Inc., a bank data-service company located in Bohemia, N.Y.

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WAYLAND, MASS. (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Candela Laseer Corp. (CLZR) Wednesday announced a ''hat trick''...three grants in three months.

It has received a grant from the National Institutes of Health, under the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program. The grant, valued at $50,000, brings the total SBIR grants to Candela to more than $3 million.

Candela will develop and evaluate, with the National Institute of Dental Research, a pulsed laser system for endodontic therapy base on a specific laser/tissue interaction. The system will remove diseased pulp and dentin, prepare a root canal and create a hermetic laser-fused apical seal within a tooth.

This new system will allow endodontists to complete a rapid, definitive, minimally invasive root canal procedure. The work will be conducted in collaboration with Drs. Israel Bender, Louis Rossman, and Scott Bram at the Albert Einstein Medical Center in Philadelphia, Penn.

The procedure has the potential to enhance patient comfort and reduce ''chair time.'' More than 25 million root canal procedures are performed each year in the U.S.A.

The total cost of this project is estimated at $50,000, of which the Federal program is contributing 100 percent.

Commenting on the SBIR grant, Dr. Michael Lesiecki of Candela said, ''The SBIR program has made a significant contribution to Candela's success. It has fostered new and unique concepts, as well as specific applications and products that are in the forefront of medical technology. For example, the Candela LaserTripter, cleared for biliary as well as urinary stone treatment, has been used in more than 15,000 procedures. Candela's dermatology systems have proven themselves with more than 50,000 patients procedures.''

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MEDFORD, MASS. (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Regional Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ:REGB) announced a quarterly cash dividend on its outstanding common stock of $.15 per share.

This, the company's twelfth consecutive dividend, will be payable on October 15, 1990 to shareholders of record as of September 14, 1990.

Regional Bancorp, Inc. is the holding company for Medford Savings Bank, a Massachusetts-chartered savings bank, with total assets of approximately $500 million. The Bank offers a wide variety of services to both business and retail customers throughout eastern Massachusetts from eight retail banking locations north of Boston.

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NORTHRIDGE, CA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Jerry Fraschilla, president of Pacific Southwest Corp. (NASDAQ:PSWC), a financial services and real estate concern, said Wednesday that he expects the company to report earnings in the range of $.25 to $.30 per share on record revenue of approximately $5.5 million for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

Fraschilla attributed these anticipated results primarily to the strong performance of the company's marketable securities portfolio and the receipt of payment on certain notes receivable in the fourth quarter. He said that audited fiscal 1990 results will be available in about 60 days.

''Based on the steadily improving performance of the company's mortgage banking operations, and encouraging developments in Pacific Southwest's other businesses, we currently expect net earnings to at least double on substantially higher revenue in fiscal 1991,''Fraschilla added.

For fiscal 1989 ended July 31, 1989, Pacific Southwest reported a net loss of $71,000, or $.04 per share, on revenue of $2,824,000. For the first nine months of fiscal 1990 ended April 30, 1990, the net loss was $111,000 or $.04 per share, on revenue of $3,178,000.

Fraschilla also announced that Pacific Southwest's common stock has been listed for trading on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation (NASDAQ) system under the symbol PSWC effective today. ''In addition to improving liquidity and stimulating trading volume in our stock, the NASDAQ listing will enhance the company's visibility within the financial community as we embark on a significant expansion program,''

he said.

Fraschilla noted that on Aug. 10, the board of directors declared a 10 percent stock dividend payable on Oct. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 30, 1990. He said, ''This 10 percent stock dividend, like the 25 percent stock dividend paid to our shareholders on February 28, 1990, is a tangible expression of the board's confidence in the company's future as we pursue the strategy of complementing internal growth with strategic asset acquisitions.'' The stock dividend will raise the number of common shares outstanding to approximately 3,550,000.

A financial services and real estate company founded in 1980, Pacific Southwest Corp. is dedicated to achieving growth of shareholders' equity through the identification and accumulation of real estate and other assets on favorable terms.

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HAARLEM, THE NETHERLANDS (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - VNU, a leading international publishing group based in The Netherlands, Wednesday reported that net earnings for the first half of 1990 amounted to Dfl 78 million ($42 million(a)), approximately the same level as reported for the first half of last year.

Operating income plus VNU's share of income from non-consolidated subsidiaries decreased by 3.5 percent to Dfl 112 million ($60 million). Revenues rose by 5.5 percent, to Dfl 1,250 million ($665 million).

In the field of consumer information, operating income of the Magazine Group in The Netherlands increased significantly, due largely to the success of the reorganization of these activities over the past several years.

Circulation developed favorably. In spite of the expansion of television advertising, the decline in print advertising revenues was limited.

In Belgium, however, operating income remained under significant pressure due to a further decline in advertising revenue. Though the introduction of commercial television in 1989 has had a pronounced negative effect on print advertising, there are signs that the worst is now over.

The decline in operating income has been partially offset by the contribution of VTM (Vlaamse Televisie Maatschappij), Belgium's commercial

television station, in which VNU holds an interest. Measures will soon be taken to structurally improve the market position of VNU's Belgian consumer magazines.

As a result of the growth in circulation, operating income of the Sales Group was higher.

VNU (United Dutch Publishers), is Holland's largest publisher of consumer magazines, newspapers and trade magazines, with fully integrated publishing, printing and distribution arms. VNU is also active in a broad range of international business information services and has interests in educational publishing.

VNU's shares trade on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange and in ADR form in the United States. Prices may be accessed on the Reuters Equities 2000 service under the symbol VNUS.AS and on Quotron under the symbol VNUN.EU.

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MARLBORO, MASS. (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Data Translation announces the DT2812 and DT2812-A, DMA analog I/O and digital I/O boards with counter/timers and free software, that can be installed in either the long or short slots of a PC/XT/AT and 100 percent compatible.

These mainstream boards were developed to meet the pricing, flexibility, and power needs of Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) of real-world data acquisition and control systems. Approved OEMs receive substantial discounts through a very attractive discount arrangement -- OEM pricing is $629 for each DT2812 board, and $695 for each DT2812-A board, regardless of quantity.

The board and software (MS-DOS Device Driver, ToolKit subroutine library, and DT/Gallery) are bookable and shippable now. Standard delivery is 5 days ARO. All products are warranted for one year.

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	ANALOG INPUT			
MODEL	Channels	Thruput	Resolution	Input Ranges
DT2812	16SE/	60kHz	12 bits	0-1.25,2.5,5,10V
8DI	using		+/-.625,1.25,2.5,5	
	DMA		10V	
DT2812-A	16SE/	100kHz	12 bits	0-1.25,2.5,5,10V
8DI	using		+/-.625,1.25,2.5,5	

	DMA		10V		
	ANALOG OUTPUT		DIGITAL FUNCTIONS		
MODEL	Channels	Thruput	Channels	Program-mable Clock	Counter/ Times
DT2812	2 DAC	100kHz/	16	yes	3;1 user accessible
DT2812-A	2 DAC	100kHz/	16	yes	3;1 user accessible

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CINCINNATI (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The United States Shoe Corp. today announced that in the fiscal fourth quarter LensCrafters will open several optical superstores in the United Kingdom.

The expansion reflects the company's confidence in the long-term potential for LensCrafters, despite the recent optical market softness in the United States. The United Kingdom store openings are included in the company's 1990 capital plan, which was finalized earlier this year.

The $720 million optical market in the United Kingdom represents a significant opportunity for LensCrafters because the country has relatively few optical superstores, and it is a logical entry point to the larger Western European optical market, estimated at approximately $6 billion, where trade barriers will be lifted in 1992. LensCrafters estimates that it could open as many as 100 stores in the United Kingdom within the next five to seven years.

LensCrafters' entry into the United Kindgom follows its successful market penetration in Canada, where it is now the country's largest optical superstore chain. LensCrafters entered the market in 1988, and is now operating 23 superstores in Canada, including the province of Quebec. LensCrafters plans to open an additional 10 units in Canada by the end of the fiscal year. LensCrafters' Canadian experience is indicative of the

chain's potential in overseas markets, because the Canadian stores have matured similarly to stores in the United States.

''We are very confident that LensCrafters will build a strong operation in the United Kingdom, and eventually in other countries in the European Community, as it has done in the United States and Canada,'' said Bannus B. Hudson, president and chief executive officer. ''We also see an opportunity to develop the market by increasing per capita spending on eyewear and shortening the purchasing cycle, because consumers in the UK currently don't view eyewear as a fashion accessory to the extent that American consumers do.''

LensCrafters is in the process of assembling its UK management team, which ultimately will be composed of UK nationals. The UK division will report to William Zeeb, vice president, international, who has directed LensCrafters' entry and subsequent expansion in Canada. Zeeb joined LensCrafters in 1984 after eight years of experience in marketing at Procter & Gamble. He became LensCrafters' vice president of marketing in 1986, and was selected to manage international operations in 1987.

As in the United States and Canada, the UK superstores will be wholly owned by LensCrafters. Eye examinations in the UK superstores will be provided by local optometrists employed by LensCrafters. The London office of Young & Rubicam will handle advertising for the UK division.

LensCrafters, with 370 stores in the United States, is the nation's largest operator of optical superstores. LensCrafters superstores offer complete optical services and provide customers custom-crafted eyeglasses in about one hour.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T customers will receive special long-distance discounts this Friday to kick off the Labor Day weekend in the final event of the company's ''Talk About a Summer Time'' promotion.

AT&T said Wednesday its customers can make direct-dialed out-of-state calls for just 11 cents per minute between 5 p.m. and 11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 31.

During that time, a 10-minute direct-dialed call, to any other state in the country regardless of distance, will cost only $1.10. The special prices will be an average 24 percent savings off AT&T's already reduced evening prices.

AT&T's ''Talk About a Summer Time'' promotion began when the company kicked off the Memorial Day weekend with special low prices the evening of May 25. AT&T customers also received special prices July 3 and 5 and Aug. 4.

On Aug. 24, the company offered special prices as well as a sweepstakes. AT&T said it offered these events to thank its customers for their loyalty.

The company noted that Friday will kick off a holiday weekend that will give consumers several opportunities to save on long-distance. AT&T's night/weekend prices will be in effect from 11 p.m. on Friday until 5 p.m. on Sunday. The company's holiday prices will be in effect on Labor Day.

AT&T said customers of its Reach Out(R) America calling plans who get discounts on evening calls will receive those discounts off the 11-cents-per-minute price between 5 p.m. and 10 p.m. Friday.

AT&T noted that long-distance prices throughout the industry have dropped approximately 40 percent in the last six years. On average, the price difference among the major long-distance companies is about 5 percent, which may amount to pennies per call for an average long-distance customer.

The 11-cents-per-minute special on Friday evening does not apply to in-state or international calls.

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RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - James River Corp. (NYSE: JR) reported improved operating performance for its first fiscal quarter which ended July 29, 1990.

Net sales were $1.4 billion, which was slightly below the prior year as a result of divestitures made in April 1990. Excluding charges related to a major restructuring program which was announced at the company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders on Aug. 16, results for the quarter were $59 million, or 65 cents per share compared to $57 million, or 64 cents per share last year.

Including these restructuring charges of $144 million after taxes, the first quarter loss was $85 million, or $1.11 per share.

For the quarter, the company's consumer products businesses performed well. The Towel and Tissue Business results increased significantly based on improved manufacturing performance, and those for the Dixie Products Business matched last year's strong first quarter performance.

In addition, the Food and Consumer Packaging Group reported increases over last year as Flexible Packaging experienced pricing improvements and Paperboard Packaging continued to enjoy steady demand.

The Specialty Papers Business also reported improved earnings as volume increased in many of its markets and pulp prices declined. The Communication Papers Business showed a decline in earnings primarily related to uncoated free sheet pricing which, although improving, continued to lag the prior year.

Volume, however, in all communications grades improved. The quarter was adversely affected by a decline in reported earnings related to the Company's investment in the Aracruz pulp mill in Brazil.

The objectives of the aforementioned restructuring program are to focus the Company's resources and management, to reduce cyclicality, to improve financial flexibility, and as a result, to enhance shareholder value through a higher return on equity. Toward this end, the Company plans to divest or phase out certain operations.

These include the Specialty Industrial Papers Business, the eastern Business Papers and western coated printing papers operations, as well as two towel and tissue mills. In addition, the Company will reduce its ownership of the Marathon, Ontario pulp mill from 80 percent to 50 percent.

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PORTSMOUTH, RI (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Quadrax Corp. (NASDAQ:QDRX) announced Wednesday that it has issued an additional 1,516,093 shares of its Common Stock as a result of the exercise of the company's Class B Redeemable Common Stock Purchase Warrants at $3.00 per Warrant during a Warrnat Reduction Offer Period that expired August 15.

Net proceeds to the company of $4,548,279 from the exercise of the Warrants will be used for various purposes, including working capital to support operation of the company's three subsidiaries, according to

Richard A. Fisher, chairman and chief executive officer.

Upon expiration of the Warrants Reduction Offer Period, the warrant exercise price reverted to $4.00 per Class B Warrant. Approximately 1,928,107 Class B Warrants remain outstanding, all of which expire on July 7, 1992.

Quadrax Corp., headquartered in Portsmouth, is a supplier of advanced materials, systems and services.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Calera Recognition Systems Wednesday announced that IBM Corp. will market selected Calera optical character recognition (OCR) products through the IBM Cooperative Hardware Marketing Program.

Beginning immediately, IBM's U.S. marketing force will sell Calera products to customers requiring document recognition solutions. The Calera products will be marketed as ''Advanced Function Scanning'' in conjunction with the IBM ''Advanced Function Printing'' program.

Through the ''Advanced Function Scanning'' program, IBM will target Calera OCR products at a wide array of applications including desktop publishing, spreadsheet, word processing, full text database and facsimile. Specific uses range from republishing technical manuals to consolidating forecasts and budgets into a spreadsheet to storing resumes for later searches in a full text database.

IBM also plans to market the scanning and OCR solution to users of fax machines that need to instantly republish financial information or to law offices that need to quickly edit contracts. Calera systems will link to CALS compliant initiatives previously announced by IBM and targeted at Federal Agency publishing applications.

''We're pleased that IBM has chosen Calera as a means to provide its customers with high-quality document recognition solutions,'' said Steve Hayden, president and chief executive officer of Calera Recognition Systems. ''This agreement supports our belief that OCR has become a key component of today's computing environment and will continue to be integrated into a wide range of commercial and professional application

environments.''

Products covered in the agreement include the CDP 6000 and CDP 9000, Calera's compound document processors, which provide high-volume scanning and recognition capabilities for production applications; TopScan Professional, sophisticated OCR software designed to work under Microsoft Windows with either the CDP product line or leading desktop scanners'; and TrueScan, an easy-to-use OCR board and software combination for IBM Personal Computer/AT and IBM PS/2 users preferring a non-Windows environment.

Founded in 1982 as The Palantir Corp., Calera Recognition Systems is the leading manufacturer of document recognition systems and scanners for use in the office environment. From the beginning the company has focused its attention on developing the highest performance document recognition technology for uses ranging from desktop to large systems applications.

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DALLAS (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Skylink America Inc. (NASDAQ:SKAI) Wednesday announced its results of operations for the first quarter ended July 31.

The company reported the following results of operations:

	Three Months Ended July 31,	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 3,223,911	$ 1,433,174
Net loss	131,320	520,743
Loss per share	4 cents	15 cents

Financial results for the first quarter of the prior fiscal year included only one month of revenues and expenses from the acquisition of two free-to-guest programming businesses which have been included in the company's results of operations since July 1, 1989.

The first quarter of the current fiscal year included depreciation and amortization expense of approximately $371,000 and a tax benefit of approximately $64,000.

Interest expense, which amounted to approximately $148,000 in the first quarter of the current fiscal year as compared to approximately $10,000 in the same period in the prior year, increased as a result of additional indebtedness incurred in connection with the acquisition of two

free-to-guest businesses.

Edward R. McMurphy, president of Skylink America, stated, ''We are pleased with the direction the company is heading and the improved financial results over prior quarters. A substantial portion of the improvement stems from consolidating the company's free-to-guest operations previously located in Cherry Hill, N.J., to the company's corporate headquarters in Dallas, Texas, thereby reducing duplicate facilities and personnel.''

Skylink is engaged in the business of providing free-to-guest and pay-per-view programming services and equipment, as well as developing, operating and selling cable systems.

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TORONTO (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Corona Corp. (TSE, VSE, ME:ICR.A, ICR.B) (ASE:ICR.A) announced Wednesday that it has acquired a further 1,333,333 shares of Prime Resources Group Inc. under terms of an option granted by private agreement previously disclosed.

As a result, Corona now owns 18,106,032 shares of Prime directly, representing 43.1 percent of the total shares issued and outstanding. In addition, Corona has options on a further 1,180,555 shares and a voting agreement and right of first refusal on a further 858,500 shares. If exercised, Corona would then won 20,145,087 shares.

Corona has purchased the shares of Prime for investment purposes. Corona may increase or decrease this investment at any time as circumstances warrant.

Corona has exercised this option and acquired these shares as part of its plan to consolidate its major shareholding position in Prime, owner of 50 percent of the Eskay Creek gold orebody and 40 percent of the SNIP Project.

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Igor Levental or Brian Hay, 416/862-2000.

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GARDEN CITY, NY (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T and Avis Rent A Car System, Inc. announced Wednesday they have signed a five-year, $35 million contract for an AT&T custom voice and data communications network.

Avis will use AT&T's custom network to link its domestic car rental locations throughout the United States with its World Reservations Headquarters in Tulsa, Oklahoma and its various telecommunication hubs around the United States. The contract covers services currently offered by AT&T and other vendors and was awarded following competitive bidding.

"AT&T's proposal met our requirements for flexibility," said David P. McNicholas, executive vice president of Systems Marketing for Avis. "The state-of-the-art network will allow Avis to provide an increased level of overall service to our customers."

AT&T Regional Vice President Lou Golm said, "AT&T is extremely pleased that Avis has selected us. We have a long history of working closely with Avis. We look forward to strengthening our partnership by supplying the technology, services and applications that meet their specific communications needs."

Avis is a world leader in the rent-a-car industry, and one of the nation's largest employee-owned companies. Its international operations include holdings in Canada, Asia and the Caribbean areas. The Avis rental network includes approximately 4,700 locations in 142 countries.

CONTACT: AT&T, Basking Ridge, N.J., Bob Garnet, (212) 605-7460 (Office) or, (212) 877-0080 (Home) or Avis Rent A Car System, Inc., Garden City Ray Noble, (516) 222-4719 (Office).

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PEORIA, IL (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Wednesday announced that Caterpillar Inc. has awarded it a five-year, $25 million contract to provide a worldwide custom communications network.

Under the agreement, AT&T's voice and data network services will link more than 100 domestic and international Caterpillar locations, including manufacturing plants, a network of Caterpillar dealerships, marketing offices and distribution centers.

The contract covers virtually all of Caterpillar's interstate and international long-distance services, including new satellite communication services to Hong Kong, Singapore, Japan and Australia. ''Caterpillar is now well positioned to take full advantage of the cost efficiencies and service flexibility AT&T offers through its custom network services,'' said Kathy Mock, telecommunications network manager for Caterpillar.

Mock estimated that Caterpillar will save more than $15 million in communications expenses over the life of the contract. In addition, she

noted that the company will have the flexibility to add new locations and technologies to the network at any time.

AT&T will provide Caterpillar with state-of-the-art network management services to monitor the performance of the network and handle network maintenance.

Caterpillar Inc., headquartered in Peoria, Illinois, is the world's largest manufacturer of earthmoving, construction and materials handling equipment, and a major manufacturer of diesel and natural gas engines and turbines.

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or
Caterpillar Inc., Peoria, Ill.
Keith Butterfield, 309/675-1307 (Office)

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PROVIDENCE, RI (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Wednesday announced that Textron Inc., has chosen the company to provide a variety of custom network services to its locations around the country.

AT&T and Textron said the contract will cover a period of three years. AT&T will provide inbound and outbound voice and data communications services to more than 500 Textron locations in 40 states.

Bob Grant, Textron's director of corporate telecommunications, said the contract will save Textron about $2.5 million in annual communications costs.

''Beyond the annual savings, this contract with AT&T will help to stabilize our communications costs over the next three years,'' Grant said. ''That, in addition to the quality and service associated with AT&T will greatly benefit our corporate planning process.''

''We are very pleased that Textron has chosen AT&T to provide its voice and data communications network,'' said Glenn Swift, AT&T national account sales vice president in Lexington, Mass. ''This is another example of our ability to bring cost-effective, high-technology services to a national industry leader.''

Textron is a multi-industry company with operations focused in three areas -- aerospace technology, commercial products and financial services.

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or
in Basking Ridge, N.J.
Claire Diamond, 201/221-6632 (Office), 201/873-8455 (Home)

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FARMINGTON, CT (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - ITT Corporation has selected AT&T to provide a customized voice and data communications network valued at a minimum of $37.7 million over three years.

Under the contract, AT&T will provide ITT with interstate and international calling between some 850 company locations worldwide. Included are inbound and outbound calling capabilities as well as calling card service for ITT employees who are traveling on business. AT&T will establish a dedicated network management center for ITT where technicians will manage the delivery and quality of the telecommunications services provided by AT&T.

ITT Corporation is a diversified, multinational enterprise engaged principally in nine product and service businesses.

CONTACT: AT&T, Farmington
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or 203/233-6411 (home)
or
ITT Corp., Hartford, Conn.
Sherman Murphy, 203/547-4300 (office)

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Northeast Bancorp Inc., Wednesday adopted a shareholder protection rights plan and declared a dividend of one right on each outstanding share of its common stock and non-voting convertible common stock.

The dividend will be paid on Sept. 11, 1990 to stockholders of record on Sept. 10, 1990.

The rights plan was not adopted in response to any specific effort to acquire control of Northeast Bancorp. Rather, it was adopted to deter abusive takeover tatics that can be used to deprive stockholders of the full value of their investment.

Until any person or group acquires a number of shares of common stock or

non-voting common stock equal, in the aggregate, to the number of shares of common stock constituting 10 percent or more of the outstanding common stock (an ''Acquiring Person'') or commences a tender offer which, if consummated, would result in such person or group becoming an Acquiring Person, the rights will be evidenced by the common stock certificates, will automatically trade with the common stock and will not be exercisable.

Thereafter, separate rights certificates will be distributed and each right will entitle its holder to purchase one-half share of common stock or non-voting common stock for an exercise price based upon $80.00 per full share.

If any person or group becomes an Acquiring Person, each Right, to the extent permitted by applicable law, (other than Rights beneficially owned by the Acquiring Person or transferee thereof, which rights become void), will entitle its holder to purchase, for the exercise price, a number of shares of common stock or non-voting stock having a market value of twice the exercise price. Also, if Northeast Bancorp is involved in a merger or sells more than 50 percent of its assets earning power or is involved with an Acquiring Person in certain ''self-dealing'' transactions, each Right will entitle its holder to purchase, for the exercise price, a number of shares of common stock of the acquiring company having a market value of twice the exercise price.

Prior to the time any Acquiring Person beneficially owns 50 percent or more of Northeast Bancorp's common stock, Northeast Bancorp's

Board of Directors may, at its option, exchange one-half share of common stock or non-voting common stock, as the case may be, for each right.

The rights may be redeemed by the board of directors for 1 cent per right prior to the day when any Acquiring Person becomes such.

The rights plan does not in any way weaken Northeast Bancorp's financial strength or interfere with its business plans. The issuance of the rights has no dilutive effect, will not affect reported earnings per share is not taxable to Northeast Bancorp or its shareholders, and will not change the way in which Northeast Bancorp shares are traded.

A letter to stockholders regarding the rights plan and a summary of certain terms of the rights plan will be mailed to shareholders.

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John C. Kline, 203/929-5552 ext. 4270

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HORSHAM, PA. (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanta Corp. (NASDAQ: ADVN) announced Wednesday that its wholly owned subsidiary, Colonial National Bank USA, has completed an offering of $250 million of credit card floating rate asset-backed certificates.

Warren Kantor, chief financial officer, stated that Class A Certificates, representing a senior interest, aggregated $215 million and were sold in the public market by First Boston and Prudential-Bache. Class B Certificates, reflecting a subordinated interest, totalled $35 million and were privately placed with a group of investors arranged by Sumitomo Trust & Banking Co. (USA).

Class A Certificates carry an Aaa rating by Moody's. The Class B Certificates are rated A3 by Moody's and are supported by a letter of credit issued by the Sumitomo Trust & Banking Co. Ltd.

''This transaction reflects our 10th securitization of credit card and home equity receivables,'' Kantor added. ''Our successful securitization program is a vital part of the company's overall funding strategy and we expect to remain an active participant.''

Advanta Corp., a financial service holding company which services assets in excess of $2 billion at June 30, operates through its subsidiaries to market credit cards, home equity loans, equipment leases and deposit products to consumers nationwide.

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Deborah A. Dove, 215/784-5335

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STAVANGER, NORWAY (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - BP Exploration and Statoil, the national oil company of Norway, Wednesday announced that they are developing plans for significant collaboration in international exploration, gas supply and technical research.

The companies said they had signed an agreement to examine the scope for commercial cooperation in:

--the use of existing and new North Sea infrastructure to transport UK and Norwegian gas to markets in the UK and Europe, and joint marketing of gas in the UK.

--a joint technical research programme to support the international exploration and development drive

--joint international oil and gas exploration and development, focusing on opportunities in West Africa, offshore China and Vietnam, and the USSR..

The companies said it would take three or four months to decide how best to establish joint ventures in each activity. Projects arising from these initiatives would be run jointly, with staff seconded from both companies.

Robert Horton, BP chairman and chief executive officer, welcomed the announcement as ''a strengthening of the development of wider European cooperation by two of Europe's major energy suppliers.''

Commenting on the business scope, BP Exploration Chief Executive Officer John Browne said, ''This agreement reflects a strong desire for cooperation between ourselves and Statoil in a number of important areas. Each segment stands in its own right, but we intend to pursue them simultaneously.

Harald Norvik, Statoil president and chief executive officer, expressed that ''for Statoil these agreements establish an important strategic platform to further development of our international activities.''

The joint research programme would involve spending up to $20 million a year, shared equally between BP and Statoil. Activities would be jointly staffed and based predominantly in Norway.

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Robert Way, 212/490-0808, 201/744-7285 (home)

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Wednesday announced it is expanding its existing sales, support and marketing efforts for Lotus Notes with the addition of the Lotus Notes Alliance Partner Program.

Currently comprising more than 20 business partners, the program provides products and services that add significant value to Lotus Notes, a PC LAN-based group communication software product.

Lotus and the partners will work together as a team to coordinate sales, marketing, development, service and support activities. Some of the partners are focused primarily on implementing and deploying Lotus Notes custom business applications. Others are integrating their products with Notes. Lotus plans to add approximately 20 partners to the program in the next year.

''These partners will be a key factor in the growth of Notes in the marketplace,'' said Larry Moore, vice president of Lotus' Communications Products Division. ''The services and products they provide increase the applicability of Notes to a broader set of business problems. Also, these partners have many loyal customers who we hope will soon become Notes users.''

Chosen primarily for their thorough knowledge of local- and wide-area networking, client/server computing, and the operating system, hardware, and software platforms that run Lotus Notes, the systems integrators currently participating in the program include: Lante Corp., MicroSolutions, Phoenix Systems, EDS Corp.'s Technical Products Division, Valinor, NetCom Solutions, Simpact Associates, Distributed Systems Solutions International Inc. and Diversified Business Systems.

The product developers, chosen because their products are complementary to Notes, currently include: Reuters Information Services (''Reuters on Lotus Notes'', news and information distribution system); SandPoint (Hoover, active information agent); The WhiteWater Group (Actor, object-oriented programming system); Desktop Data (NewsEDGE, newswire processing); IMRS (OnTrack, executive information system); American Business Computer (EDI Excel, electronic data interchange extensions to Notes); ATEX Commercial Publishing Systems (work group publishing systems); Soft Switch (Soft Switch Central, enterprise messaging system); and Touch Communications (WorldTalk 400, electronic messaging gateway engine).

''Notes is an ideal platform for building large-scale, enterprise-wide business applications,'' said Mark Tebbe, president of Lante Corp. and an Alliance Partner. ''This program increases the number of companies providing quality business solutions for the Notes platform, and will broadly expand the capabilities of Notes with the addition of third-party products.''

''We knew right away that Lotus Notes would have significant benefits for all of MCI,'' said Notes customer Peter Olson, vice president of system planning at MCI Telecommunications. The question was how to quickly take advantage of the capabilities of the product, engineering its logical and physical deployment. MicroSolutions, a Notes Allliance Partner, has helped us do just that. In fact we have brought new applications on-line in days and weeks instead of months and years, while rapidly expanding the number of MCI employees able to access those applications.''

Voted this year's ''Best New Business Software Product'' by the Software Publisher's Association, Lotus Notes is an application development platform for group communications. It allows people to create and access shared information using personal computers and local- and wide-area networks. Some of the most popular types of Notes applications include

electronic mail, information distribution, sales management, customer service and product development.

Currently being sold via a direct sales force throughout North America and Western Europe, Notes is available at a minimum of 200 licenses for $62,500, including five days of support services.

Lotus Development Corp. is the leading provider of applications software for personal computers and information services delivered on CD-ROM, and is a worldwide supplier of applications software for workstations, minicomputers and mainframes.

All prices and terms are for the U.S.A. only.

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Sue Jensen, 617/693-1138

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HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Stanley Kaplan, chairman of the board of Unifast Industries Inc., (NASDAQ:UFST), announced Wednesday that the company's subsidiary Economy Fastners Inc. has entered into an exclusive licensing agreement with NSZZ Solidarnosc' Economic Fund Ltd. Co., (''Solidarity''), pursuant to which Economy will sell Dropped Forged Striking Tools bearing the name Solidarity, exclusively in the United States and Canada.

Economy expects to begin marketing these products within six months.

Myo-Tech Corp. of Boca Raton, Fla. has recently announced a tender for all of Unifast's common stock.

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Joel Schneider, 516/348-0290

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WEST ALLIS, WI (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert J. Sullivan, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Sullivan Dental Products Inc., (NASDAQ:SULL), today named Robert E. Doering president of the corporation.

Sullivan who had held the office of president, will continue as chairman of the board, and chief executive officer of the corporation.

Doering previously served as executive vice president and will retain responsibility as chief operating officer.

CONTACT: Sullivan Dental Products Inc., West Allis
Robert J. Sullivan or Robert E. Doering, 414/321-8881.

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Dennison Manufacturing Co. (NYSE:DSN) announced Wednesday that it has reached an agreement in principle on a proposed settlement in a purported class action suit, William Steiner v. Dennison Manufacturing, now pending in Massachusetts Superior Court.

Under the proposed settlement, Avery Dennison, the surviving parent corporation in Dennison's proposed merger with Avery International Corp. (NYSE:AVY), would pay a quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share for four consecutive quarters commencing with the first regular dividend declared after the merger closes, provided that such payment is not in violation of applicable law. Avery's current quarterly dividend is 16 cents per share.

The settlement is conditioned upon, among other things, an agreement between the parties as to a stipulation of settlement, the approval of the settlement by the court, and consummation of the merger between Dennison and Avery.

It is expected that the stipulation of settlement will expressly provide that all defendants have denied, and continue to deny, that they have committed any violations of law and that they are entering into the stipulation solely because the proposed settlement would eliminate the burden and expense of further litigation.

As previously announced, upon consummation of the merger of Avery and Dennison, Dennison shareholders will receive 1.12 shares of Avery Dennison common stock in exchange for each share of Dennison common stock. Consummation of the merger is conditioned upon requisite stockholder approval by both Avery and Dennison stockholders, as well as the satisfaction of certain other conditions, all as more fully described in the Joint Proxy Statement-Prospectus dated July 30, 1990.

Dennison is a diversified ''Fortune 500'' manufacturer serving worldwide markets for stationery and office supplies for use in business, school and home; printing systems and fastener products for identification and control; and package decoration systems and materials.

CONTACT: Dennison, Waltham
Linda J. Sadowski, 617/890-6350

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Legg Mason Inc. (NYSE:LM) and First Fidelity Bancorporation (NYSE:FFB) have reached an agreement whereby Legg Mason will acquire the Philadelphia-based mortgage banking company, Latimer & Buck, a wholly-owned subsidiary of First Fidelity Bancorporation.

The terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Established in 1954, Latimer & Buck is the largest commercial mortgage organization in the Philadelphia and Baltimore areas, and is the exclusive regional correspondent for many of the premier life insurance company and pension fund investors.

Latimer & Buck's commercial loan servicing portfolio exceeds $3.1 billion and it manages, primarily for state pension funds, approximately $1.1 billion in commercial real estate and mortgage investment portfolios.

In addition to its Philadelphia and Baltimore locations, it has offices in Washington, Princeton, N.J., and Lancaster, Pa., and is a joint owner of a Florida-based commercial mortgage banking corporation.

Latimer & Buck will operate as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Legg Mason Inc.

In making the announcement, Raymond A. Mason, chairman and chief executive officer of Legg Mason Inc. said: ''This acquisition substantially increases our overall real estate capability. Latimer & Buck adds important fee-based revenues through its commercial mortgage servicing business, and provides a meaningful addition as well as a new direction for our investment advisory business.''

Mason said that M. Walter D'Alessio will continue as president and chief executive officer of Latimer & Buck, and it is expected that all current employees will remain with the company.

Closing of the transaction, which is subject to certain conditions, is anticipated to occur by the end of September.

Legg Mason Inc., headquartered in Baltimore, is a holding company which, through its subsidiaries, provides securities brokerage, investment advisory and investment banking services.

First Fidelity Bancorporation, with $29.8 billion in assets and 500 offices in New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania, is among the nation's 25 largest banking companies.

CONTACT: Legg Mason Inc., Baltimore
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or
First Fidelity Bancorporation, Lawrenceville
Paul Levine, 201/565-2949
or
Latimer & Buck, Philadelphia
M. Walter D'Alessio, 215/985-3900.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Oglebay Norton Co. at a meeting held on Aug. 29 declared a cash dividend of 40 cents per share of common stock to be paid on Sept. 17 to stockholders of record on Sept. 10.

CONTACT: Oglebay Norton Co., Cleveland
Jack Yewell, 216/861-2835.

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LAS VEGAS (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Showboat, Inc. (NYSE: SBO) announced Wednesday that its Board of Directors has declared a dividend of $.025 (2 1/2 cents) per share on the company's common stock.

Payment will be made on October 10, 1990, to shareholders of record as of September 14, 1990.

Showboat, Inc. through its subsidiaries operates resorts in Las Vegas and Atlantic City featuring casino gambling, bowling, and other sports attractions and special events.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - American Exploration Co. (American Stock Exchange Symbol: AX) Wednesday announced that at special meetings shareholders of American Exploration and Hershey Oil Corp. approved the acquisition of Hershey by American.

Under the terms of the agreement American Exploration will pay $7.00 per share in cash for up to 17.257 percent of Hershey's common stock and will exchange 1.611 shares of American Exploration's common stock for each remaining share of Hershey common stock.

American Exploration purchases and operates producing oil and gas

properties for its own account and on behalf of institutional and other investors.

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or
Hershey Oil Corp., Pasadena, Calif.
Daniel N. Evans, 818/405-8888

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - A product developed by a Cleveland company has received an award as one of the 100 most significant new technologies developed internationally during the past year.

Keithley Instruments received the award from Research & Development magazine for developing a new type of electronic measurement instrument called a Source-Measure Unit. The unit is significant because it uses unique electronic circuitry to allow engineers to source and measure current and voltage simultaneously.

The company has won an ''R & D-100'' award 11 times during the competition's 23-year history. The only other organization in Cleveland to have won the competition more than 11 times is NASA's Lewis Research Center.

The award will be presented to the company in ceremonies to be held next month in Chicago's Museum of Science & Industry. Thomas G. Brick, Keithley president and CEO, will accept the award on behalf of the company.

In addition, Keithley's technology will be displayed in the museum during October as part of an exhibit of R & D-100 winners.

Winners of the competition this year included a wide variety of technologies and spanned several continents, ranging from Atomic Energy of Canada to Eastman Kodak to Toshiba Corp. Winners were selected by a panel of technical experts assembled by the publication after reviewing company-submitted nomination forms.

Keithley Instruments Inc. is a leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of electronic test and measurement instrumentation and data acquisition and analysis hardware and software. Its products and systems are found throughout the world in universities, industrial research laboratories, engineering development departments, quality control areas and on production lines. Keithley's common shares are listed on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol KEI.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Patrick G. Ryan, President and Chief Executive Officer of Aon Corporation Wednesday announced the promotion of John E. Johnston to the position of President of European Operations for Combined Insurance Company of America (Combined), a major operating subsidiary of Aon.

Commenting, Mr. Ryan said, ''John Johnston is a talented executive with twenty five years of experience in Combined's overseas and domestic operations. He has demonstrated his ability to develop and motivate people and build successful sales organizations. In his new position, John will be responsible for the sales and administration of Combined's European Operations.

I am confident that under John's leadership, Combined's European operations will continue to grow in revenues and profitability.'' John was recruited in the United Kingdom as a Combined sales representative in 1965. Throughout his career with the Company, he excelled in a variety of sales management positions. Under his leadership, European sales growth has been strong and consistent.

Combined Insurance Company of America is a leading international writer of non-cancelable and guaranteed renewable accident and health insurance. Additionally, Combined writes a variety of life products. Combined's overseas sales operations comprise an agency force of over 1750 sales professionals and produced a 1989 annual premium volume of approximately $150 million. In addition to the United States, Combined operates in the United Kingdom, Republic of Ireland, Germany, Canada, Japan, Australia and New Zealand.

Aon Corporation is an insurance holding company listed on the New York, London and Midwest Stock Exchanges with assets in excess of $9.8 billion. In addition to Combined Insurance Company of America, the principal subsidiaries of Aon Corporation are The Life Insurance Company of Virginia Rollins Burdick Hunter Group, Inc., Ryan Insurance Group, Inc., and Union Fidelity Life Insurance Company.

CONTACT: Aon Corporation, Chicago
Joan E. Steel, 312/701-3016.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Deak International, the nation's leading foreign exchange operation, has been acquired by The Thomas Cook Group, which currently operates a network of more than 1,600 offices in 120 countries.

''We are excited about our association with The Thomas Cook Group,'' said Sue Holloway, vice president and Southeast area manager for Deak International. ''Becoming part of this international firm will further increase our clients' accessibility to our services worldwide.''

The Thomas Cook Group has acquired the entire North American retail network, including 72 branches in the United States and 38 in Canada. It has also acquired 20 Deak International branches in the United Kingdom and a single branch in New Zealand.

''This acquisition makes Thomas Cook the largest retail foreign exchange network in the world,'' said Peter Middleton, chief executive officer of The Thomas Cook Group. ''The Deak network, together with Thomas Cook's extensive travel presence in the United States and Canada, gives the group a very high retail profile in North America.''

Deak International's retail operations earned revenue of US $35 million and held assets of US $45 million at the end of the fiscal year on April 30. The operations had previously been owned by Jarden Morgan Ltd., a New Zealand-based financial services firm.

In addition to its retail and corporate foreign exchange services, Deak International is a major retailer of precious metals and traveler's checks. The company's North American retail headquarters is in Toronto.

The Thomas Cook Group is a wholly owned subsidiary of Midland Bank plc.

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or
Pamela A. Keene Public Relations, Atlanta
Pam Keene or Debra Nelson, 404/955-5115 (24 hours).

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MIAMI (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Peter R. Brinckerhoff Wednesday announced his resignation from the board of directors of General Development Corp.

Brinckerhoff, who has been a member of the company's board since March 1986, said, ''Given the progress that General Development has made in reorganizing, I feel that now is an appropriate time for me to resign.'' A company spokesman said a replacement for Brinckerhoff will be named at a

later time.

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NASHVILLE, TN (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Human Resources Inc. is volunteering a special service to Middle Tennessee businesses that have been impacted by the Persian Gulf crisis.

''Many area businesses employ military personnel who have been called to active duty in the Middle East, and this has put those companies in a difficult position,'' said Irwin B. Much, Human Resouces Inc. president. ''These employers are required to hold jobs for employees who have been called to service, but vacancies in the workforce can pose a significant handicap to a company.''

Human Resources Inc. would like to offer its assistance to these Middle Tennessee companies to help them through this difficult period, said Much.

''Human Resources Inc. will donate its services when filling any temporary vacancies caused by military personnel who have been called to active duty '' said Much. ''HRI will try to provide a comparably skilled 'temporary' replacement employee, and will bill the employer only for the wages paid to the temporary employee. HRI will make no profit and will charge no fees for this service.''

According to Much, this is a savings of approximately one-third for client companies.

''This is a time for the nation to pull together and work as a team,'' continued Much. ''This is our way of supporting ou local businesses and doing our part to keep Middle Tennessee running as smoothly as possible during this unsettling time.''

Human Resources Inc. is one of Middle Tennessee's largest employment services, and provides temporary, full-time and leased employees. The company is headquartered in Nashville and Murfreesboro and has additional offices in Franklin, Columbia, LaVergne, Tullahoma, McMinnville and Lewisburg.

CONTACT: Lovell Communications Inc., Nashville
Rene' Evans, 615/297-7766

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Caterair International Corp. completed refinancing of its $244 million bridge loan, Daniel J. Altobello, chairman and CEO, announced Wednesday.

''We are pleased with how well the investors received the issue of our senior notes and subordinated debt,'' Altobello said. ''The terms, conditions and rates were quite favorable,'' he added.

''Much credit for the successful placement should be given,'' Altobello said, ''to Merrill Lynch Capital Markets.'' The Carlyle Group, a Washington D.C. merchant bank also acted as financial advisors to Caterair International. Hogan & Hartson, a Washington D.C. law firm, acted as outside legal counsel to the company.

Altobello also reported that projected sales for 1990 would be well in excess of 1989's record high of $880 million.

Caterair International was formed in December 1989 as the result of a management buyout of Marriott's airline catering division, In-Flite Services. It is the world's leading provider of airline meals, serving 400,000 daily to approximately 150 airlines through a total of 108 flight kitchens at 45 U.S. and 44 foreign airports. The corporate offices are located at 7811 Montrose Road in Potomac, Md.

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#90241b0824 08/29/1990 ~Business Wire

TUCSON, AZ (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Tucson Companies Inc., (NASDAQ:STSN), Wednesday announced a change in expected financial performance for its German operations for 1990 which will result in less than expected earnings per share for the corporation.

The company cited higher initial operating costs and lower overall census as reasons for this change.

The inability to meet break-even expectations in Germany by the end of 1990 will result in an estimated 17 cents per share decrease in corporate earnings for 1990. Relative to Wall Street analysts' estimates (some as high as 26 cents per share for third quarter 1990 and 90 cents per share for fiscal year 1990), the company expects third quarter earnings per share of 14 cents and 1990 year-end earnings per share of 73 cents.

This estimate represents an 18 percent increase over 1989 earnings of 62 cents per share.

William T. O'Donnell Jr., president of Sierra Tucson, said, ''As Sierra Tucson moves into 1991, the opening of additional beds in late October of 1990 and a broadended psychiatric license for 125 of 253 facility beds, will continue to posture the company for increased growth.''

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#90241b0828 08/29/1990 ~Business Wire

HAUPPAUGE, NY (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - TSR Inc. (NASDAQ:TSRI), a provider of contract programming services and marketer of construction specifications data bases Wednesday reported operating results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended May 31.

Additionally, the income tax benefits in fiscal years 1990 and 1989 were favorably adjusted by the inclusion of $121,000 and $186,000, respectively attributable to partial reversals of deferred taxes previously established at higher tax rates relating to the cash to accrual basis.

TSR INC.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Fiscal Year Ended May 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 4,709,000	$ 5,123,000	$ 19,323,000	$ 20,943,000
Pre-tax (loss)	(177,000)	(548,000)	(132,000)	(434,000)
Income tax (benefit)	(121,000)	(216,000)	(195,000)	(334,000)
Net income (loss)	$ (56,000)	$ (332,000)	$ 63,000	$ (100,000)
Earnings (loss) per share	$ (.03)	$ (.16)	$ .03	$ (.05)

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#90241c0003 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Star Savings and Loan Association (TICKER: SSLA) earned $31,334, or $0.11 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $29,643, or $0.10 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0004 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows 1st American Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: FAMB) lost $4.69 million, or $0.46 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $64.12 million, or $6.28 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0005 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Specialty Retail Services (TICKER: SRSI) earned $19,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $6,000), on revenues of $8.48 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $119,000 (including an extraordinary loss of $39,000), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $7.84 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0006 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows George Washington Corp.(TICKER: GWSH) lost $1.62 million, or $0.57 per share, on revenues of $22.23 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $992,063, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $19.26 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0007 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Stephan Co.(TICKER: STPN) earned $168,997, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $1.37 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $105,675, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $1.16 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0008 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mustang Companies (TICKER: MUST) reported profits of $206,583 (including a loss of $2,153 from discontinued operations), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.13 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $169,808 (including a loss of $4,181 from discontinued operations), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $951,032 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0009 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:30 that trade in QVC Network Inc. (NASDAQ: QVCN) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 8 7/8.

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#90241c0011 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:57 that trade in Raycomm Transworld Ind. (NASDAQ: RACM) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 1 1/8, 1 3/16; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90241c0012 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:01 that trade in Hershey Oil Corp.(NASDAQ: HSO) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the AMEX.

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#90241c0013 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:05 that trade in QVC Network Inc. (NASDAQ: QVCN) has been resumed. The first sale was 8 1/8; down 3/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90241c0014 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Megadata Corp.(TICKER: MDTA) lost $426,728, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $540,441 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $254,053, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $1.02 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0015 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows ATI Pharmaceuticals Inc.(TICKER: ATPH) earned $104,083, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $3 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $276,305, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.73 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0016 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Servam Corp. lost $6.32 million, or $0.36 per share, on revenues of $267.

This compares with a loss of $4.82 million, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $273.12 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0017 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Cancer Treatment Holdings Inc.(TICKER: CTHI) earned $1.14 million (including an extraordinary gain of $156,000), or $0.43 per share, on revenues of $2.94 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $291,454, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $550,748 in fiscal 1989.

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#90241c0019 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 15, 1990, High Point Financial Corp. announced it was adding an additional $4 million to its loan loss reserve.

As a result, High Point Financial Corp. reports it will record its first quarterly loss for the period ending Sept. 30, 1990 and expects its first annual loss for the period ending Dec. 31, 1990.

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#90241c0020 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows CNB Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: CNBE) earned $3.41 million, or $0.50 per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $3.36 million, or $0.49 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0021 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the NASD shows Levon Resources Ltd.(TICKER: LVNV) lost $191,724, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $125,540 for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $184,349, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $245,882 in fiscal 1989.

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#90241c0022 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Seibels Bruce Group Inc.(TICKER: SBIG) earned $15.98 million (including a gain of $11.10 million from discontinued operations and an extraordinary gain of $4.74 million), or $2.16 per share, on revenues of $45.78 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.76 million ($933,857 gain from discontinued operations), or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $43.04 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0023 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hall Financial Group Inc.(TICKER: HALL) lost $2.96 million, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $7.27 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.94 million, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $7.76 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0024 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:12 that trade in Barry's Jewelers Inc.(NASDAQ: BARY) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 5 3/4. The company is located in Duarte, CA.

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#90241c0025 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

First National Pennsylvania Corp.(TICKER: FNPC) lost $8.25 million, or $3.43 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.88 million, or $0.78 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0027 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows West Mass Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: WMBS) earned $203,000, or $0.16 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $133,000, or $0.10 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0028 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Railroad Financial Corp.(TICKER: RAIL) earned $531,538, or $0.73 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.59 million, or $2.12 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0029 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Park-Ohio Industries Inc.(TICKER: PKOH) earned $301,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $36.50 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $910,000, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $42.26 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0030 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Davin Computer Corp. lost $228,476, at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $200,784, at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

Davin Computer Corp. reports it is a development stage firm engaged in the development of a range of OEM commercial/industrial minicomputers, based

on a new computer architecture made possible by recent technological developments.

Davin Computer Corp.'s planned principle operations have not yet generated any revenue and Davin Computer Corp.'s continued operations are dependent on generating cash flow from operations or additional financing.

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#90241c0031 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Clayton Silver Mines Inc.(TICKER: CLSM) lost $60,833, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $375 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $52,190, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $16,023 for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0032 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Patrick Industries Inc.(TICKER: PATK) earned $371,047, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $38.14 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $305,203, or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $29.21 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0033 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 27:

In Home Health Inc. - Cl. B Wts. 11/10/90 (IHHIZ); Cl. C Wts. 11/10/90 (IHHIM)

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#90241c0035 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Otter Tail Power Co.(TICKER: OTTP) earned $5.45 million, or $0.43 per share, on revenues of $39.79 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $5.34 million, or $0.40 per share, on revenues of $39.51 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0036 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Federal Savings Bank of LaGrange (TICKER: FLAG) earned $317,916, or $0.39 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $349,281, or $0.43 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0037 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Surgery Centers reported a net loss of $60,408, on revenues of $865,433 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $146,992, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $735,494 for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0038 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Commercial Bancorp (TICKER: CBOR) earned $455,000, or $0.42 per share, on revenues of $4.81 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $590,000, or $0.52 per share, on revenues of $4.78 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0039 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:45 that trade in Barry's Jewelers Inc. (NASDAQ: BARY) has been resumed. The first sale was 5 1/2; down 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90241c0040 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWN 358,250 CLASS A SHARES (7.60%) OF PLAYBOY ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: PLA).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On June 7, 1990, Playboy Enterprises Inc. announced that it had completed a

recapitalization plan pursuant to which each two class A shares were converted into one class A share and yielded a dividend of three class B shares, which have no voting rights. IEP exchanged its 716,500 shares for 358,250 class A shares and 1,074,750 class B shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Industrial Equity Pacific LTD sold 3,100 class B shares on July 3, 1990 for $5.94 per share and on Aug. 24, 1990, agreed to sell 200,000 class shares to Playboy Enterprised Inc. at $4.125 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90241c0041 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 39

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 28, 1990, Apple announced that its board has postponed until Sept. 6, 1990 the date on which the rights under the shareholder rights plan will separate from shares of Apple Bancorp Inc.'s(TICKER: APK) common stock and be distributed. On Aug. 29, 1990, Apple Bancorp Inc. disseminated the solicitation letter to shareholders in connection with Apple Bancorp Inc.'s solicitation of proxies for use at the annual meeting.

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#90241c0043 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mallon Resources Corp.(TICKER: MLRC) lost $590,255, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $427,351 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $1.04 million, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $748,802 for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0044 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Noise Cancellation Technologies (TICKER: NCTI) lost $813,574, or $0.02 per

share, on revenues of $439,470 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $630,237, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $173,194 for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0045 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Esarco International Inc.(TICKER: ESAR) lost $275,072, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $5,753 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $287,701, or $0.07 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

Esarco International Inc.'s principal activities through June 5, 1990 consisted of completion of negotiations for an agreement to acquire all of the outstanding capital stock of Esarco Ltd. located in the United Kingdom.

Esarco Ltd. has developed an all-terrain motorized vehicle and because no significant revenues have been realized to date, Esarco International is in the development stage.

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#90241c0046 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Trico Products Corp.(TICKER: TRCO) earned $1.61 million, or $0.87 per share, on revenues of $63.62 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $4.01 million, or $2.17 per share, on revenues of $61.35 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0047 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows DDI Pharmaceuticals (TICKER: DDIX) earned $355,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $1.30 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $354,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $1.78 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0048 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mobile Gas Service Corp.(TICKER: MBLE) reported net income of $335,643, or

$0.12 per share, on revenues of $7.89 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $627,010, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $7.57 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0049 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Seal Fleet Inc.(TICKER: SEAL) earned $879,000, or $0.36 per share, on revenues of $1.12 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $250,000, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $657,000 for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0051 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Trvlsys (TICKER: RITE) earned $7,061, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $186,804 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $108,191, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $229,380 for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0052 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows General Energy Resources and Technology Corp. earned $30,132, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $126,901 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $15,886, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $141,595 for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0053 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Interwest Medical Corp.(TICKER: IMCO) lost $122,234, or $0.01 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $385,894, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $148,438 for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0054 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hon Industries Inc.(TICKER: HONI) earned $8.19 million, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $158.16 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $7.61 million, or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $140.62 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0055 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Instructivision Inc.(TICKER: ISTC) earned $1,356, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $256,651 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $3,058, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $255,347 for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0056 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Homeowners Group Inc.(TICKER: HOMG) earned $1.33 million, or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $12.38 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.29 million, or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $9.81 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0057 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Providence & Worcester Railroad Co.(TICKER: pwrr) earned $213,000, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $4.28 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.02 million, or $0.50 per share, on revenues of $5.77 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0059 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Gold King Consolidated Inc.(TICKER: GKCI) lost $90,505, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $506,192 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $98,382, at an unknown price per share,

on revenues of $134,278 for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0060 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Golden Triangle Royalty & Oil Inc.(TICKER: GTRO) lost $130,269, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $25,636 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $77,310, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $28,074 for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0061 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows LBO Capital Corp.(TICKER: LBOC) lost $12,450 on revenues of $17,039 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $643 on revenues of $18,699 for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0062 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Humagen Inc.(TICKER: HUGE) lost $357,674, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $318,209 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $673,053, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $148,944 for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0063 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The R-2000 Corp.(TICKER: RTWO) lost $86,752, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $226,145 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $63,596, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $643,962 for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0064 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Interim Systems Corp.(TICKER: INSY) earned $718,000, or $0.03 per share,

on revenues of $51.93 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $988,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $54.07 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90241c0065 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Microtel Franchise and Development Corp.(TICKER: MCTL) lost $274,829, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $7,056 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $73,079, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $150,000 for the same period in 1989.

Microtel Franchise and Development Corp. reports that revenues for the three-month period ending June 30, 1990 reflect no franchise sales, occassioned by the lack of adequate construction financing available to prospective franchisees in the current lending markets.

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#90241c0067 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 31, 1990, Family Steak Houses of Florida Inc.(TICKER: RYFL) appointed James W. Osborn to Family Steak Houses of Florida Inc's board of directors. Mr. Osborn has served as president and chief executive officer of Family Steak Houses of Florida Inc since June 14, 1990.

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#90241c0068 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 16, 1990, Information Management Technologies Corp.(TICKER: IMTK) the initial closing on 24.9 units issued by Family Steak Houses of Florida Inc. in a private placement.

The units were sold for $50,000 each and consisted of 21,000 shares of Class A common stock and 21,000 Class A warrants per unit.

-30- 535

#90241c0069 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Iowa Southern Inc.(TICKER: IUTL) earned $4.71 million, or $0.82 per share, on revenues of $30.44 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $4.20 million, or $0.73 per share, on

revenues of $29.32 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 488

#90241c0070 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ciro Inc.(TICKER: CIRI) lost $539,000, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $8.23 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $932,000, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $7.12 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 460

#90241c0071 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hemodynamics Inc.(TICKER: HMDY) lost $502,701, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $574,348 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1 million, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $1.05 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 460

#90241c0072 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Biomedical Dynamics Corp.(TICKER: BMDC) earned $74,946, or $0.02 per share on revenues of $1.54 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $125,314, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.13 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 490

#90241c0073 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Polymerix Inc.(TICKER: PLXX) lost $837,000, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $8,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $598,000, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $105,000 for the same period in 1989.

Polymerix Inc. is a development stage enterprise which has only recently commenced commercial production of its TriMax plastic lumber products.

-30- 594

#90241c0075 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:13 that trade in Equitec Financial Group Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol EFG.

-30- 336
#90241c0076 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M. GOLDMAN OF P O BOX 26156, ST LOUIS PARK, MN 55416, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,666 SHARES OF METROPOLITAN ENTERTAINMENT CORP. THROUGH MAVEN SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 20, 1990.

(METROPOLITAN ENTERTAINMENT CORP. TEL: 612 377-8883)

-30- 435
#90241c0077 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CANCER STOP OF 10889 WILSHIRE BLVD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90024, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,150 SHARES OF STOP CANCER THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 1, 1990.

(STOP CANCER TEL: 213 443-6817)

-30- 375
#90241c0078 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. FREED OF 4 HARLOW COURT, ROCKVILLE, MD 20850, HAS FILED TO SELL 1,000,000 SHARES OF DONASPHERE LTD. THROUGH BRENNAN ROSS SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 24, 1990.

(DONASPHERE LTD. TEL: 301 577-8883)

-30- 388
#90241c0079 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P.P. FREED OF 4477 SALEM LANE NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20007, HAS FILED TO SELL 1,000,000 SHARES OF DONASPHERE LTD. THROUGH BRENNAN ROSS SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 24, 1990.

(DONASPHERE LTD. TEL: 301 557-8883)

-30- 397
#90241c0080 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN V GIOVENCO OF 3000 PARADISE ROAD, LAS VEGAS, NV 89109, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF HILTON HOTELS CORP. (TICKER: HLT) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 24, 1990.

(HILTON HOTELS CORP. TEL: 213 278-4321)

-30- 415
#90241c0081 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT M WALP OF 804 P STREET #4, ANCHORAGE, AK 99501, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF GENERAL COMMUNICATION INC. (TICKER: GNCM) THROUGH RAGEN MACKENZIE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 23, 1990.

(GENERAL COMMUNICATION INC. TEL: 907 265-5600)

-30- 434
#90241c0083 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEROME F SHELDON OF 47 GRANADA WAY, ST LOUIS, MO 63124, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MEDICINE SHOPPE INTERNATIONAL IN (TICKER: MSII) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(MEDICINE SHOPPE INTERNATIONAL IN TEL: 314 993-6000)

-30- 450
#90241c0084 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DERMOT F ROWLAND OF 6100 AUTO CLUB RD, BLOOMINGTON, MN 55438, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF HOMESTYLE BUFFET INC. (TICKER: HBUF) THROUGH BLUNT ELLIS & LOEWI. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(HOMESTYLE BUFFET INC. TEL: 813 855-2675)

-30- 430

#90241c0085 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT A LAHR OF 5214 STAMPER WAY, HOUSTON, TX 77056, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF TUBOSCOPE CORP. (TICKER: TUBO) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(TUBOSCOPE CORP. TEL: 713 799-5100)

-30- 395
#90241c0086 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J BOLT OF 11 PRINCETON AVE, BEVERLY, MA 01915, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF ABIOMED INC. (TICKER: ABD) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(ABIOMED INC. TEL: 508 777-5410)

-30- 391
#90241c0087 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LARRY D HORNBECK OF P O BOX 191, PORT BOLIVAR, TX 77650, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HOSS) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES INC. TEL: 409 762-8228)

-30- 441
#90241c0088 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAYMON R FINCH JR OF P O BOX 418, ISLE OF PALMS, SC 29451, HAS FILED TO SELL 48,000 SHARES OF VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: VCEL) THROUGH INTERSTATE JOHNSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 919 282-3690)

-30- 451
#90241c0089 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Acorn Venture Capital Corp.(TICKER: AVCC) reported net assets of $1.61

million for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990 vs. net assets of $2.27 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 416

#90241c0091 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Montauk Financial Corp. lost $89,789, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.76 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $114,264, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.15 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 481

#90241c0092 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Watson General Pictures Inc.(TICKER: WTGR) earned $2,817, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $398 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $8,726, at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

Watson General Pictures Inc. states that in February, 1990, it sold its major asset, and that it currently is not an operating entity.

On June 14, 1990, Watson General Pictures Inc. announced it agreed in principle to acquire 100 percent of the outstanding stock of Toxguard Systems Inc.

Toxguard specializes in the testing, removal and installation of underground storage tanks.

On Aug. 1, 1990, Watson General acquired a significant minority interest in TRI-R Systems Corp.(TICKER: RRRC) for $1 million cash.

TRI-R Systems is a recycling firm based in Denver, Colorado.

-30- 1096

#90241c0093 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Dynamic Classics Ltd.(TICKER: DYNC) lost $278,489, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $22.42 million for the year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $466,386, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $23.49 million for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1989.

-30- 486
#90241c0094 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Firetector Inc.(TICKER: FTEC) earned $21,536, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.42 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $40,578, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.36 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 481
#90241c0095 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Systems Equipment Corp.(TICKER: SYSE) earned $55,959, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.46 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $19,850, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.36 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 496
#90241c0096 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Keene Corp.(TICKER: KEEN) earned $1.65 million, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $6.11 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net profit of $1.43 million, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $4.64 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480
#90241c0097 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Outback Oil and Mineral Exploration(TICKER: OUTB) lost $197,693, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $47,262 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $48,217, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $53,686 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 499
#90241c0099 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Unimax Corp. lost $243,200 on revenues of $6.92 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $235,700 on revenues of $6.74 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 400

#90241c0100 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows ExperTelligence Inc.(TICKER: EXPR) lost $148,969, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $144,994 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $45,272, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $115,948 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 492

#90241c0101 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Hershey Oil Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol HSO. Trading was resumed at 3:45.

-30- 346

#90241c0102 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Equitec Financial Group Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol EFG. Trading was resumed at 15:34.

-30- 371

#90241c0103 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GABELLI GROUP INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 973,500 SHARES (5.08%) OF FERRO CORP (TICKER: FOE) OF CLEVELAND, OH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Gabelli Group Inc. purchased 676,200 shares from July 2 to Aug. 27, 1990 for $22 to $27.59 per share and sold 9,000 shares from July 13-17, 1990 for $27.63 to $28.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 545
#90241c0104 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GARY GROUP INC OWNS 5,000,000 SHARES (37.20%) OF CHERAMI NATURAL PET FOODS INC (TICKER: CNPO) OF RENO, NV.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Gary Group Inc. retains the right to vote 1 million shares owned by the Hefkey-Salvagni Group Inc. pursuant to a Mar. 20, 1990 consulting agreement.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 20, 1990, Gary Group Inc. purchased 5 million shares for $.10 per share.

PURPOSE:

To obtain significant equity position as a long term investment.

-30- 683
#90241c0105 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ROTTERDAM VENTURES INC OWNS 4,751,689 SHARES (22.70%) OF ADVANCED TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ATEL) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 16, 1990, Rotterdam Ventures Inc. granted to Citibank a security interest in 4,001,689 shares to secure the obligations of Rotterdam Ventures Inc. as guarantor of a loan made by Citibank to Francesco Galesi, the sole shareholder of Rotterdam Ventures Inc., for a total of $22.9 million. In connection with the financing, Rotterdam Ventures Inc. and ATC entered into a put option agreement that could require ATC to repurchase common shares up to $4 million, based upon the average share price for the previous five trading days. On Aug. 23, 1990, Rotterdam Ventures Inc. borrowed $1.5 million from Chemical Bank, secured by an interest in 750,000 shares.

-30- 1022
#90241c0107 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:55 that trade in Sierra Tucson (NASDAQ: STSN) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 12 1/4. The company is located in Tucson, AZ.

-30- 332
#90241c0108 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows VMS Strategic Land Fund II(TICKER: VSLF) lost $5.13 million, or $0.27 per share, on revenues of $2.86 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $5.90 million, or $0.31 per share, on revenues of $7.03 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 504
#90241c0109 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows VMS Strategic Land Trust(TICKER: VSLF) earned $4.91 million, or $0.41 per share, on revenues of $5.56 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $3.46 million, or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $4.17 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 500
#90241c0110 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows VMS Mortgage Investors LP II(TICKER: VMTG) lost $42.26 million, or $3.34 per share, on revenues of $1.18 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $3.09 million, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $3.54 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 509
#90241c0111 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows VMS Mortgage Investors LP(TICKER: VMLP) lost $12.64 million, or $1.64 per share, on revenues of $853,740 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.22 million, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $2.36 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 498
#90241c0112 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows VMS Mortgage Investors LP III(TICKER: VMOR) lost $23.44 million, or $2.06 per share, on revenues of $1.47 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.86 million, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $3.39 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 511
#90241c0113 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Page America Group Inc. lost $870,800, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.85 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $689,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.70 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 458
#90241c0115 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective July 31, 1990, Steven Holtzman resigned as a director of Score Board Inc (TICKER: BSBL).

-30- 305
#90241c0116 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows T.H. Lehman & Co. Inc.(TICKER: THLM) lost $211,843, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $535,490 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $40,013, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $93,947 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 463
#90241c0117 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 21, 1990 Elmwood Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: EFSB) and Susquehanna Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: SUSQ) jointly announced a merger agreement entered into by the two firms on June 19, 1990.

Under the agreement, Elmwood would have become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Susquehanna.

Elmwood and Susquehanna reported the mutual decision to terminate was due

to recent changes in economic conditions.

-30- 634
#90241c0118 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, V.W. WAYT GIBBS, DIR. OF CFW COMMUNICATIONS CO. (TICKER: CFWC) BOUGHT 270 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90241c0119 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, V.W. WAYT GIBBS, DIR. OF CFW COMMUNICATIONS CO. (TICKER: CFWC) BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90241c0120 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 23, 1990, V.W. WAYT GIBBS, DIR. OF CFW COMMUNICATIONS CO. (TICKER: CFWC) SOLD 520 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,036.

-30- 334
#90241c0121 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, J.W. COLLINS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TEXAS REGIONAL BANCSHARES INC BOUGHT 4,721 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,686.

-30- 357
#90241c0123 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, J.W. COLLINS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TEXAS REGIONAL BANCSHARES INC BOUGHT 4,807 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,542.

-30- 356
#90241c0124 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, J.W. COLLINS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TEXAS REGIONAL BANCSHARES INC BOUGHT 291 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,574.

-30- 350
#90241c0125 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, D.A. VETTER, VP OF GLENMORE DISTILLERIES CO. (TICKER: GDS), BOUGHT 300 CLASS B SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 322
#90241c0126 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 26, 1990, J.L. NELSON, DIR. OF GENTNER ELECTRONICS CO. (TICKER: GTNR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90241c0127 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, J.L. NELSON, DIR. OF GENTNER ELECTRONICS CO. (TICKER: GTNR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 319
#90241c0128 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 13, 1990, J.G. MARINOS, DIR. OF JOULE INC. (TICKER: JOUL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,150.

-30- 293
#90241c0129 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, M.R. EBERSOLE, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP INC.(TICKER: PPLB) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,507.

-30- 324
#90241c0131 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, E.M. NORTH, OFFICER OF THIOKOL CORP (TICKER: TKC) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 296
#90241c0132 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, R.W. SEARLE, OFFICER OF THIOKOL CORP (TICKER: TKC) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 293
#90241c0133 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, P.A. DUNCAN, DIR. OF NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC (VIRGINIA) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,662.

-30- 314
#90241c0134 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, DIR. OF ALEXANDER ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: AEOK), BOUGHT 87,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90241c0135 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, DIR. OF ALEXANDER ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: AEOK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 488,976.

-30- 327
#90241c0136 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, FRANK D GOLDSTEIN, DIR. OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 332
#90241c0137 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GRENVILLE B WINTHROP III, DIR. OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 338
#90241c0139 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLIAM B BOYD, DIR. OF ARMCO INC. (TICKER: AS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 292
#90241c0140 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, SANDRA S SPOONER, VP OF ATICO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: ATFC), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 752.

-30- 308
#90241c0141 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GERALD J PRESCOTT, OFFICER OF BIOMEDICAL DYNAMICS CORP. (TICKER: BMDC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 334
#90241c0142 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, FRED E TROTTER, DIR. OF BANCORP HAWAII INC. (TICKER: BNHI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $42.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 271.

-30- 308
#90241c0143 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, FRED E TROTTER, DIR. OF BANCORP HAWAII INC. (TICKER: BNHI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $42.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,566.

-30- 312
#90241c0144 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DWIGHT D SUTHERLAND, DIR. OF BOATMEN'S BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BOAT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 236,000.

-30- 336
#90241c0145 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, KENNETH R BROWN, VP OF BANKS OF MID-AMERICA INC. (TICKER: BOMA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 706.

-30- 315
#90241c0147 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LEW E COPPERSMITH, DIR. OF CALFED INC. (TICKER: CAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 306
#90241c0148 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RICHARD M GREENWOOD, VP OF CALFED INC. (TICKER: CAL), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 299

#90241c0149 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, REINHART H POSTWEILER, DIR. OF CAPITOL TRANSAMERICA CORP. (TICKER: CATA), BOUGHT 1,875 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,443.

-30- 352
#90241c0150 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ARTHUR L ZISKEND, VP OF CAMBEX CORP. (TICKER: CBEX), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,975.

-30- 295
#90241c0151 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, HOWARD B SIVILS JR, VP OF CENTRAL FIDELITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: CFBS), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,930.

-30- 325
#90241c0152 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WILLIAM D WHITE, DIR. OF CENTEL CORP. (TICKER: CNT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 290
#90241c0153 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, KENNETH L LAY, DIR. OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $54.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 311
#90241c0155 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, DENISE P FEDERER, DIR. OF CANCER TREATMENT HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: CTHI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 3,250.

-30- 336
#90241c0156 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, MARY J EVANS, DIR. OF DELTA AIR LINES INC. (TICKER: DAL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $58.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 308
#90241c0157 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MAURICE D GILLIAM, OFFICER OF DH TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: DHTK), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90241c0158 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, BRUNO STRAUSS, SHAREHOLDER OF ELDEC CORP. (TICKER: ELDC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90241c0159 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, BRUNO STRAUSS, SHAREHOLDER OF ELDEC CORP. (TICKER: ELDC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,812.

-30- 310
#90241c0160 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT W CREMIN, DIV. OFFICER OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90241c0161 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT W CREMIN, DIV. OFFICER OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 316
#90241c0163 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, LESLIE C ACTON, DIR. OF FREEPORT-MCMORAN COPPER CO. (TICKER: FCX), SOLD 4,600 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90241c0164 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SUE EPSTEIN-LEVINE, VP OF FIRSTFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FED), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,349.

-30- 324
#90241c0165 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, KENNETH R JENSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FISERV INC. (TICKER: FISV), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,932.

-30- 327
#90241c0166 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, EDWARD V RYAN, CHAIRMAN OF FALCON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: FLOG), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $6.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 82,564.

-30- 320
#90241c0167 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, BUCK A MICKEL, DIR. OF FLUOR CORP. (TICKER: FLR), SOLD 56,835 SHARES AT $45.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 294
#90241c0168 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, LAWRENCE F KLIMA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), SOLD 303 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,320.

-30- 359
#90241c0169 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, LAWRENCE F KLIMA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 303 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,139.

-30- 361
#90241c0171 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, R WARREN GEORGE, CHAIRMAN OF DENNING MOBILE ROBOTICS INC. (TICKER: GARD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.84 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 859,823.

-30- 342
#90241c0172 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GLORIA S BECKER, DIR. OF GERBER PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: GEB), SOLD 2,798 SHARES AT $54.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 450.

-30- 302
#90241c0173 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, STEVEN M KLOSK, VP OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,000.

-30- 306
#90241c0174 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FRANK METZGER, DIR. OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90241c0175 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FRANK METZGER, DIR. OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.11 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90241c0176 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, FRANK METZGER, DIR. OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $6.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90241c0177 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, FRANK METZGER, DIR. OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,250.

-30- 311
#90241c0179 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN V GIOVENCO, VP OF HILTON HOTELS CORP. (TICKER: HLT), SOLD 3,400 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90241c0180 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN V GIOVENCO, VP OF HILTON HOTELS CORP. (TICKER: HLT), SOLD 8,800 SHARES AT $35.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274

#90241c0181 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ALLAN G HOCK, OFFICER OF HOWTEK INC. (TICKER: HTK), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,000.

-30- 297
#90241c0182 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, A NAN INATOME, BEN. OWNER OF INACOMP COMPUTER CENTERS INC. (TICKER: INAC), SOLD 17,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 376,000.

-30- 347
#90241c0183 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOHN W STANTON, DIR. OF INTERPOINT CORP. (TICKER: INTP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90241c0184 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOHN W STANTON, DIR. OF INTERPOINT CORP. (TICKER: INTP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,000.

-30- 309
#90241c0185 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 31, 1986, FRANCIS E HOLLAND, DIR. OF INTERSTATE POWER CO. (TICKER: IPW), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $26.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90241c0187 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 29, 1987, FRANCIS E HOLLAND, DIR. OF INTERSTATE POWER CO. (TICKER: IPW), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90241c0188 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FRANCIS E HOLLAND, DIR. OF INTERSTATE POWER CO. (TICKER: IPW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 313
#90241c0189 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ROBERT L MOLES, VP OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), SOLD 350 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,362.

-30- 306
#90241c0190 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, MARK K ROSENFELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 821,442.

-30- 369
#90241c0191 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 06, 1990, IRA M KOGER, CHAIRMAN OF KOGER EQUITY INC. (TICKER: KE), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,700.

-30- 314
#90241c0192 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HAROLD E GUENTHER, DIR. OF KELLY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: KELY), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,162.

-30- 305
#90241c0193 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN P MCBRIDE, VP OF LINCOLN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LFIN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 313
#90241c0195 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, SAMUEL E BARSHOP, CHAIRMAN OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,887,312.

-30- 340
#90241c0196 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JAMES S MORRISON, DIR. OF LYONDELL PETROCHEMICAL CO. (TICKER: LYO), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,001.

-30- 333
#90241c0197 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, S M CARAVETTA, CHAIRMAN OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 516,672.

-30- 338
#90241c0198 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 22, 1990, SUE L GIN, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $39.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90241c0199 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, SUE L GIN, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

1,300.

-30- 310
#90241c0200 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, RONALD W ESAU, DIR. OF MODERN CONTROLS INC. (TICKER: MOCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 313
#90241c0201 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JON F CHAIT, DIR. OF MARSHALL & ILSLEY CORP. (TICKER: MRIS), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90241c0203 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ALAN D KENNEDY, PRES. OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 721 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,271.

-30- 327
#90241c0204 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ALAN D KENNEDY, PRES. OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 1,279 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,279.

-30- 333
#90241c0205 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, THOMAS P PHILIP, VP OF NEWMONT MINING CORP. (TICKER: NEM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $51.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90241c0206 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, THOMAS P PHILIP, VP OF NEWMONT MINING CORP. (TICKER: NEM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $51.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,897.

-30- 309
#90241c0207 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JOHN M KUCHARSKI, DIR. OF NEW ENGLAND ELECTRIC SYSTEM (TICKER: NES), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 331
#90241c0208 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JEANETTE G GRASSELLI, DIR. OF NICOLET INSTRUMENT CORP. (TICKER: NIC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,263.

-30- 329
#90241c0209 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ROBERT L MENK, DIR. OF NEW MEXICO & ARIZONA LAND CO. (TICKER: NZ), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 178.

-30- 321
#90241c0211 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ROBERT N MINER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ORACLE SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: ORCL), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $17.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90241c0212 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, ROBERT N MINER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ORACLE SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: ORCL), SOLD 155,000 SHARES AT $17.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90241c0213 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ROBERT N MINER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ORACLE SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: ORCL), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $17.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90241c0214 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ROBERT N MINER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ORACLE SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: ORCL), SOLD 90,000 SHARES AT $17.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90241c0215 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, ROBERT N MINER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ORACLE SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: ORCL), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90241c0216 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ROBERT N MINER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ORACLE SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: ORCL), SOLD 556 SHARES AT $17.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90241c0217 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DAVID E PARK JR, PRES. OF OXFORD CONSOLIDATED INC. (TICKER: OXCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,509.

-30- 326
#90241c0219 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RALPH W BURNET, DIR. OF PIPER JAFFRAY INC. (TICKER:

PIPR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,687.

-30- 312
#90241c0220 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, THOMAS G BUSH, DIR. OF PRE-PAID LEGAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PPD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,858.

-30- 315
#90241c0221 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RUSSELL L CRANE, SHAREHOLDER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 192.

-30- 309
#90241c0222 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, J C WALTER JR, DIR. OF ROWAN COS. (TICKER: RDC), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 291
#90241c0223 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1989, THOMAS A LOUCKS, VP OF ROYAL GOLD INC. (TICKER: RGLD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90241c0224 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN O WILSON, DIR. OF RYLAND GROUP INC. (TICKER: RYL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 307

#90241c0225 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, WILLIAM M SELF, DIR. OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,900.

-30- 329
#90241c0227 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RICHARD D OSBORNE, DIR. OF SCHERING-PLOUGH CORP. (TICKER: SGP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $45.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,690.

-30- 316
#90241c0228 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, EDWARD L LUNDSTROM, VP OF SHELDAHL INC. (TICKER: SHEL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90241c0229 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, EDWARD L LUNDSTROM, VP OF SHELDAHL INC. (TICKER: SHEL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90241c0230 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, EDWARD L LUNDSTROM, VP OF SHELDAHL INC. (TICKER: SHEL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90241c0231 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, EDWARD L LUNDSTROM, VP OF SHELDAHL INC. (TICKER: SHEL), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,077.

-30- 302
#90241c0232 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, EDWARD L LUNDSTROM, VP OF SHELDAHL INC. (TICKER: SHEL), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 300
#90241c0233 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DONALD F MURPHY, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 109 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,567.

-30- 298
#90241c0235 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DONALD F MURPHY, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90241c0236 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, MYLES N ANDERSON, DIR. OF SOLV-EX CORP. (TICKER: SOLV), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,000.

-30- 309
#90241c0237 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN M BRADFORD, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 230 SHARES AT $17.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,406.

-30- 307
#90241c0238 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, S RODGERS BENJAMIN, DIR. OF THE SUMMIT BANCORP. (TICKER: SUBN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,367.

-30- 319
#90241c0239 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BOWERS A & AKIN G TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SYNTEX CORP. (TICKER: SYN), SOLD 18,800 SHARES AT $55.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90241c0240 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BOWERS A & AKIN G TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SYNTEX CORP. (TICKER: SYN), SOLD 39,400 SHARES AT $55.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90241c0241 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BOWERS A & AKIN G TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SYNTEX CORP. (TICKER: SYN), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $55.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90241c0243 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BOWERS A & AKIN G TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SYNTEX CORP. (TICKER: SYN), SOLD 27,800 SHARES AT $55.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,595.

-30- 333
#90241c0244 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JAMES L BITTLE, DIR. OF SYNTRO CORP. (TICKER: SYNT), BOUGHT 22,850 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,850.

-30- 300
#90241c0245 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WILLIAM J DAVIES, VP OF SYNTRO CORP. (TICKER: SYNT), BOUGHT 170,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 171,000.

-30- 301
#90241c0246 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JANICE E KATTERHENRY, VP OF SYNTRO CORP. (TICKER: SYNT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 307
#90241c0247 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JANIS K MCMILLEN, VP OF SYNTRO CORP. (TICKER: SYNT), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 300
#90241c0248 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES K LOUSTEAU, VP OF TIDEWATER INC. (TICKER: TDW), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90241c0249 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES K LOUSTEAU, VP OF TIDEWATER INC. (TICKER: TDW), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $18.40 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0251 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT T MARSH, CHAIRMAN OF THIOKOL INC. (DEL) (TICKER: TKC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,060.

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#90241c0252 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1989, FRANKLIN DONALD HUDSON, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF TRANSGENIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: TSIN), BOUGHT 11,862 SHARES AT $1.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 493,031.

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#90241c0253 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0254 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0255 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0256 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0257 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP.
(TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0259 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP.
(TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0260 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP.
(TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0261 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP.
(TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0262 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP.
(TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0263 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP.
(TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0264 08/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0265 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0267 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0268 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90241c0269 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0270 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD MASCUCH, DIR. OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,272.

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#90241c0271 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, LORETTA C BRAUN, SHAREHOLDER OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 853.

-30- 335
#90241c0272 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD W EICHHORN, VP OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,600.

-30- 315
#90241c0273 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ANDREW V SMITH, DIR. OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 314
#90241c0275 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, LEE A GAGNON, VP OF WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WBST), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

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#90241c0276 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LEE A GAGNON, VP OF WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WBST), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

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#90241c0277 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALTER R GRIFFIN, DIR. OF WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP.

(TICKER: WBST), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,485.

-30- 320
#90241c0278 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DAVID ROGERS, DIR. OF WORKINGMENS CAPITAL HLDGS INC. (TICKER: WCHI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,186.

-30- 330
#90241c0279 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JOHN B FRASER, DIR. OF WILLCOX & GIBBS INC. (TICKER: WG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 311
#90241c0280 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 06, 1990, SHELDON R ERIKSON, CHAIRMAN OF WESTERN CO. OF NORTH AMERICA (TICKER: WSN), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 339
#90241c0281 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, GEORGE M LIU, VP OF WESTERN MICRO TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: WSTM), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,606.

-30- 326
#90241c0283 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY OKURA & CO AMERICA INC OWNS 1,037,990 SHARES (8.76%) OF FLOW INTERNATIONAL CORP (TICKER: FLOW) OF KENT, WA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is being filed to reflect the setting of the conversion ratio of the preferred shares into common. Okura & Co. America Inc. owns 10,000 preferred shares, representing 100 percent of that class, which are convertible into 1,037,990 common shares.

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#90241c0284 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

C.W.E. JOHNSON OWNS 2,592,846 SHARES (20.80%) OF BARTON INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: BART) OF SHAWNEE, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The holding reported in amendment no. 3 to this schedule 13D was erroneously listed at 2,226,615 shares and instead should be 2,606,615. The current stake does not include options for 672,000 shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Jan. 8, 1990, C.W.E. Johnson exercised options to acquire 84,000 shares in exchange for 17,769 shares he previously owned.

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#90241c0285 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

C.W.E. JOHNSON OWNS 2,032,846 SHARES (12.70%) OF BARTON INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: BART) OF SHAWNEE, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The current stake does not include options for 588,000 shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 31, 1990, C.W.E. Johnson donated 30,000 shares to a charitable organization and on Aug. 17, 1990, sold 400,000 shares for $4 per share to three other individual stockholders of Barton Ind. Inc.

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#90241c0286 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

C.H. LINDNER OF CINCINNATI, OH OWNS 2,286,713 SHARES (29.46%) OF PROVIDENT BANCORP INC (TICKER: PRBK) OF CINCINNATI, OH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 13, 1990, American Financial Corp., wholly owned by C.H. Linder and his family, and Provident Bancorp Inc. announced that they were conducting negotiations for the merger of Hunter Savings Association, a wholly owned subsidiary of AFC with Provident Bank, Provident's banking subsidiary.

PURPOSE:

Merger of subsidiary.

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#90241c0288 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 34

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Stahl is filing as an exhibit his form 14D-1, amendment no. 26.

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#90241c0289 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY N. PELTZ OF WEST PALM BEACH, FL OWNS 50,939,181 SHARES (87.80%) OF AVERY INC (TICKER: AVRY) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 23, 1990, N. Peltz proposed to Avery Inc. that they purchase the

remaining shares of Avery Inc. for $.35 per share. In order to comply with the Investment Co. Act of 1940, Avery Inc., by Oct. 30, 1990, would either have to complete an acquisition of an operating business or sell its entire portfolio of securities and reinvest them in government securities. An acquisition was deemed unlikely due to limited resources and a sale of the portfolio would take a substantial loss. The board has appointed a special committee made up of all members except N. Peltz to examine the transaction and has appointed Stifel, Nicolaus & Co. Inc. as an independent financial advisor. On Aug. 6, 1990, Jules Levine, Harry Lewis, Joseph E. Kovacs and Coniglio & Towers Inc. brought a class action suit against Avery Inc. alleging that the proposed transaction is unfair to stockholders other than N. Peltz.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of remaining shares of Avery Inc.

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#90241c0290 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY SVP SA OWNS 1,107,263 SHARES (18.02%) OF FIND/SVP INC (TICKER: FSVP) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 20, 1990, SVP purchased 612,500 shares for $1 per share from Nihon Keizai Shimbun Inc. in order prevent the shares from being held by a third party.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares to prevent a block of common shares from coming into the hands of a third party.

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#90241c0292 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

MHP (TICKER: MHPI) feels that the $.50 per share offer by Eastern Shore

Consolidated Industries Inc. presents an advantageous opportunity to shareholders to dispose of their shares.

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#90241c0293 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND CO OF DECATUR, IL OWNS 1,067,200 SHARES (8.27%) OF INTL MULTIFOODS CORP (TICKER: IMC) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Archer-Daniels-Midland Co. purchased 100,500 shares from May 21 to Aug. 22, 1990 for $28.38 to $29.88 per share.

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#90241c0294 08/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY ESI INVESTMENT CO OWNS 161,338 SHARES (13.80%) OF PATTERN PROCESSING TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: PPRO).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

ESI Investment Co. purchased 57,500 shares pursuant to an agreement with Pattern Processing Technologies Co. dated May 24, 1990 for $.80 per share.

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#90241d0060 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (AUG. 29) - Australian motorists will pay three to five Australian cents (2.5 to 4.1 U.S. cents) a litre more for their petrol from Wednesday by agreement of the national price watchdog, the Prices Surveillance Authority (PSA).

The PSA's decision to allow the maximum wholesale price to rise to 61.6 cents (51 U.S. cents) a litre was announced Wednesday at the end of the government's 21-day price freeze.

It takes the retail price to about 74 cents (61 U.S. cents) a litre, a jump of more than 11 cents (nine U.S. cents) since the Gulf crisis began, with another increase due in a fortnight.

The latest rise was was much less than that sought by the oil companies.

PSA chairman Allan Fels said a further rise of around two cents (1.7 U.S. cents) would probably be announced within two weeks, but would depend on movements on world oil market.

Mr. Fels said the PSA had rejected calls by oil companies for increases of between 10.6 cents (8.8 U.S. cents) and 12.3 cents (10.2 U.S. cents) per litre, based on movements in overseas petrol prices.

The world crude oil price has risen from 18 U.S. dollars to 29 dollars in the past month because of the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Fels said the PSA usually set Australian prices according to world petrol prices, but world prices had risen by significantly more than crude oil prices since the crisis began.

"The PSA does not consider that Australian motorists should have to pay higher prices on account of the rise in profit margins at overseas refineries," he said.

-30- 1739

#90241d0300 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 29) - The Philippines will push through with a program to simplify and lower tariffs by the end of the month unless congress acts to postpone the plan, a senior economic official said here Wednesday.

Ponciano Intal, deputy director general of the National Economic Development Authority (NEDA), said the program would help boost employment and increase efficiency in local industry.

The reform will simplify tariffs from the existing multi-level structure, ranging from zero to 50 percent, to a less complicated structure, ranging from three to 30 percent.

A group of 12 Philippine corporations and manufacturing associations asked the supreme court Wednesday to stop President Corazon Aquino from enforcing the new tariff rates, saying the country would be flooded with imported goods, prejudicing local industries, court officials said.

The group, led by the Chemical Industries of the Philippines, claimed the executive order was unconstitutional and was an "undue delegation of legislative power" from congress to the president.

The country's trade deficit rose to 1.873 billion dollars in the first semester of 1990, 62.7 percent higher than in the same period last year,

but government officials say tariff reform will bring long-term benefits.

Mr. Intal said manufacturing industries, which have long enjoyed government protection, were not absorbing enough workers and were too capital intensive and inefficient.

He said the proposed tariff reform would increase efficiency in labour intensive industries such as agriculture, livestock, fishing, meat processing, transport, construction, power generation, iron and steel, oil and paper.

The Philippines source of cheap labour means the country enjoys a "comparative advantage" in such industries, he said.

Mr. Intal said the industries that would suffer from the tariff reforms were the more capital intensive such as fertilizers, cement, condensed and evaporated milk, tin plates and coated metals.

He said the government would initially lose about seven to 10 billion pesos (400 million dollars) in annual revenues due to the tariff reforms and the benefits would not be fully felt for one and a half years.

-30- 2435

#90241d0460 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (AUG. 29) - Britain is to strengthen its military presence in the Gulf, Defence Secretary Tom King announced here Wednesday.

Mr. King, who arrived in Bahrain late Tuesday to inspect British forces in the region, told reporters that a British destroyer, the H.M.S. Gloucester and three minesweepers would join the frigate Battleaxe, already deployed in Bahrain.

Rapier anti-aircraft missiles would also be deployed at the Al Mouharrak airport in Bahrain, where British Tornado fighter-bombers are stationed.

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#90241d0660 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUDWIGHSAFEN, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 29) - West German chemicals giant BASF said Wednesday its pre-tax profit slumped 20.7 per cent in the first half of this year, while turnover shrank 4.5 percent.

Pre-tax profit was down to 1.73 billion Deutsche marks (1.12 billion dollars) from 2.19 billion (1.42 billion dollars) in the first half of 1989, BASF said in a letter to shareholders.

Sales fell to 23.36 billion Deutsche marks (15.02 billion dollars) from

24.45 billion (15.8 billion dollars).

The results were worse than BASF's prediction of a four percent shrinking in group activity for the whole year, made at the annual general meeting in June.

Despite the disappointing results, the group said that outlets for its products remained good and that its range of consumer products was "robust."

But only the commodities and energy sectors and consumer products with a wide market showed an improvement in the first half, with sales up nine per cent and three percent.

All other divisions recorded lower sales, with refined products and plastics down 11 percent.

Sales were down 10 percent in both North America and Asia, with Europe the least badly hit, with a fall of only one percent.

BASF stressed that Europe, the group's traditional core market, remained "dynamic."

Overseas sales were down 7.8 percent to 7.2 billion Deutsche marks from 7.9 billion in the first half of 1989, largely due to the weakness of the dollar,
 the yen and the pound against the West German currency.

BASF had a pre-tax profit of 4.38 billion Deutsche marks (2.8 billion dollars) for the whole of 1989, on sales of 47.61 billion (30.9 billion dollars).

-30- 1858
#90241d0690 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KAMPALA (AUG. 29) - Uganda is halving its oil imports due to an acute shortage of foreign exchange, Energy Minister Richard Kaijuka said here.

Mr. Kaijuka said the decision had been prompted by the high price of oil on the international market following steep increases sparked by the Gulf crisis.

The minister also warned Ugandans that strict measures would be announced soon to reduce oil consumption in the country.

Two weeks ago the government, which is spending six million U.S. dollars a month on petroleum, hiked the price by an average of 18 percent.

An official of Shell Uganda Limited, the country's main oil company, said that due to high prices of oil on the international market they could only afford to buy half as much as before.

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#90241d0780 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO (AUG. 29) - The Statfjord oilfield in the Norwegian North Sea sector contains much more oil than originally thought, with the additional supply worth some 50 billion kroner (eight billion dollars), the state oil company Statoil has said.

Statoil, which operates the Statfjord field, has raised total estimates from 480 million cubic meters to 530 million cubic meters.

The additional oil, which is to be extracted gradually over the next 20 years, is worth some 50 billion kroner at current prices.

Extraction of the extra oil would require quite substantial new investment, Statoil said, but would not give any figures.

The Statfjord field stretches out into the British sector of the North Sea but Norwegian companies own 84 per cent of the field.

Statoil owns 50 per cent of the Norwegian share, with the rest divided between a number of companies, including Saga Petroleum with a two per cent stake.

Since it was discovered in the 1970's the Statfjord field has been ranked as the biggest in the North Sea.

Experts say that it is not unusual that estimates change from time to time,

but that the size of the increase in estimated exploitable oil is extraordinary.

The additional oil is more than the total amount considered exploitable from the new Veslefrikk field.

Statoil said Monday it planned to cooperate with British Petroleum Exploration in drilling for oil in the Soviet Union, Southeast Asia and Western Africa. The two companies will also try to rationalize the use of the North Sea network of gas pipelines.

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#90241d0870 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 29) - Aeon Group of Japan is to take equity stakes in the operations of Britain's Laura Ashley worth at least 76 million dollars, the troubled British clothes and furnishings company said Wednesday.

Under the agreement, conditional on approval from shareholders in the loss-making British company, Aeon will pay 30 million pounds (59 million dollars) for new shares amounting to a 15 percent stake in Laura Ashley Holdings PLC through Aeon group member company Jusco Co.

It will also have a right to buy a further five percent within 12 months of completion of the deal.

The deal values Laura Ashley shares at 85 pence each, compared with 49 pence at the close of trading Tuesday and 64 pence after the announcement on Wednesday.

Aeon, a retailing group which turned over 1,350 billion yen (over nine billion dollars) last year, will also buy 48 percent of Laura Ashley's U.S. subsidiary Revman Industries Inc., currently wholly owned by Laura Ashley, at a price which values Revman at 35 million dollars.

Revman management will also acquire five percent under the same terms, thus reducing the British company's stake to a minority, and enabling it to remove Revman's 27 million dollars of borrowings from its balance sheet.

In a further move, 10 percent of Laura Ashley Japan Co., a joint-venture owned 50-50 by Laura Ashley and Aeon Group, will be bought from Laura Ashley by Aeon at a price to be determined by independent valuation.

Laura Ashley will retain brand control at the Japanese based venture.

Laura Ashley has suffered the same problems as much of the depressed British retail sector in recent times, transforming a 20.3 million pound (39.6 million dollar) pre-tax 1988 profit into a 4.7 million pound (9.2 million dollar) 1989 loss.

Last week chief executive John James resigned after 16 years with the company. Shares stood below 50 pence after the news, compared with the 135 pence per share price after stock market flotation in 1985.

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#90241d1080 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 29) - British bookshop, newsagents and do-it-yourself store operator W.H. Smith said Wednesday its annual profit fell 1.7 percent in the year to May 31 to 88.1 million pounds (169.4 million dollars) from 89.7 million (172.5 million dollars).

Sales improved by 9.8 percent over the previous year's level however, to 2.13 billion pounds (four billion dollars) from 1.94 billion (3.73 billion).

Final dividend was set at 7.5 pence, giving a total for the year of 11.5 pence, up from 10.4, while earnings per share were up from 27.0 pence to 29.9.

The results were slightly better than market forecasts of profit of around 85 million pounds, and W.H. Smith shares were down four pence at 322 in mid-session trading in London in a falling market.

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#90241d1110 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (AUG. 29) - Iraqi authorities Wednesday began providing authorization to leave Iraq to foreign women and children but said their departure could not take place before Thursday, an official source disclosed.

He said President Saddam Hussein's announcement Tuesday that foreign women and children could leave Iraq applied to nationals "from the United States the countries of Western Europe and Japan."

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#90241d1270 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, (AUG. 29) - Goldmining firm Newmont Australia Ltd. on Wednesday advised shareholders to reject an 800 million dollar (663 million U.S.) takeover bid that could create one of the world's largest gold empires.

Robert Champion de Crespigny's Normandy Poseidon group said late Tuesday that Poseidon Gold would offer one of its shares for every two belonging to Newmont, which has gold interests in Western Australia.

"Shareholders should not sell," said Bruce Patterson, Newmont's company secretary.

Newmont earlier said in a statement that Poseidon Gold shares were thinly traded and that it was thus difficult to determine the true value of the bid.

Newmont shares fell four cents to 1.08 dollars by the close of trading Wednesday, while Poseidon Gold shares were steady at 2.60 dollars.

Michael Hamson, Normandy Poseidon's deputy chairman, said he was unfazed by Newmont's telling its shareholders to keep their scrip.

"I see that as a predictable response from good directors," he said.

A successful takeover would boost the Poseidon group's production to about "a million plus" ounces of gold annually, which would make the company one of the 10 biggest in the world, he said.

"I think it would certainly be as big as Western Mining Corp.," currently Australia's biggest gold producer, he said.

"It (Newmont) has three of the best gold mines in the country," Mr. Hamson said.

Normandy Poseidon has already bought a 19.99 per cent Newmont stake for 160 million dollars (133 million U.S.), or 1.25 dollars (1.04 U.S.) a share, from Newmont's U.S. parent, Newmont Mining Corp.

Newmont recorded an interim net profit of more than 16 million dollars (13 million U.S.) for the six months to June 30, an increase of 241 per cent on the previous corresponding period.

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#90241d1310 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (AUG. 29) - Cathay Pacific Airways Ltd. said Wednesday its profits rose 4.1 percent in the six months to June from the same period last year, to 1.42 billion Hong Kong dollars (180 million U.S.).

But Hong Kong's traditional carrier warned that profits for the whole year could be below the 3.32 billion dollars (426 million U.S.) it made in 1989.

The Gulf crisis was to blame, a Cathay statement said, because an anticipated global economic slowdown would "reduce demand for passenger and cargo services," for which Cathay logged moderate revenue growths in the first half.

The locally listed aviation concern declared an interim dividend of 10.5 cents (1.3 cents U.S.) a share, unchanged from the interim payment last year.

The carrier currently operates on a fleet of 40 aircraft, made up of 22 Boeing 747's and 18 TriStars.

It has firm orders for nine Boeing 747's, options on a further 15, and 10 Airbuses on firm order with options on a further 14.

Cathay, which carries some seven million passengers a year, is half-owned by the Swire Group, a British conglomerate, and 12.5 per cent is held by a state-owned Beijing investment firm, China International Trust and Investment Corp.

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#90241d1390 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 29) - British confectionery and soft drinks group Cadbury Schweppes said Wednesday its taxable profit rose 11.5 percent in the first half of this year to 104.7 million pounds (201 million dollars) from 93.9 million (180 million dollars).

Sales were up 22 percent over the first half of 1989 to 1.41 billion pounds (2.7 billion dollars) from 1.15 billion (2.2 billion dollars), reflecting a series of acquisitions.

The financing of these purchases kept the increase in earnings per share down to 1.7 percent, to 9.81 pence from 9.65, and interim dividend rose from 2.8 pence to 3.0.

The result was in line with market forecasts of profit of around 105 million pounds, and Cadbury Schweppes shares were unchanged at 318 pence in mid-morning trading in London in a falling market.

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#90241d1700 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Frankfurt (AUG. 29) - Shareholders approved here Wednesday a plan to rescue the financially stricken retail group co op in which more than half the company's outlets will be sold off.

The shareholders approved the plan outlined by co op chairman Franz Wolf explained the rescue plan whereby 924 supermarkets, shops and specialty stores representing 6.8 billion marks (4.38 billion dollars) turnover would be sold off.

The sales will generate 600 million marks' worth of revenue to help co op put its finances for this year back in order, Wolf said.

Afterwards, co op would be left with 765 outlets combining for sales turnover of some 4 billion marks.

''The new co op once again has a future and a perspective,'' Wolf told the extraordinary meeting in which 92 percent of the company's equity -

including the 90 percent owned by Dg bank and BfG bank, both of Frankfurt - was represented.

The rescue plan is the latest chapter in the more than two-year financial and fraud scandal drama which has rocked what was once West Germany's largest retail chain.

Several former top co op executives have been arrested on a variety of charges, including fraud, in connection with mismanagement and tangled financial operations which by 1988 had plunged the company some 2.7 billion marks into the red.

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#90241d1740 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 29) - A key vote towards ending residential apartheid in Johannesburg, South Africa's most populous city, has prompted the far right to call for a public meeting on the future of segregation.

Jacques Theron, the 50-year-old stockbroker who heads the far right opposition Conservative Party (CP) caucus on the council, told Agence France-Presse Wednesday he had petitioned the mayor for an open meeting.

The 51-seat council, controlled by the white liberal Democratic Party (DP) in a de facto alliance with the ruling National Party (NP), voted by 36 to seven late Tuesday to apply to have the whole city declared a free settlement area where anyone can live wherever they can afford.

The application will first go to the nine-member national Free Settlement Board, which will make recommendations to the Council of Ministers in the whites-only House of Assembly of the three-chamber parliament, and to President Frederik de Klerk, who has the final say.

The process could take months, and could conceivably be stalled until Mr. De Klerk carries out his promise of scrapping the Group Areas Act (GAA) in the next session of parliament, starting February.

The GAA, one of the three surviving pillars of apartheid, defines in law where people of various race groups may or may not live.

Mr. Theron said Tuesday's vote was "against the wishes of the voters and ratepayers."

CP meetings in Johannesburg's poorer southern suburbs had shown people were solidly against desegregation. "Just about everybody white living in those areas has signed petitions against this," he said.

Results last September 26 of a referendum on opening municipal swimming

pools to all races had produced an overall "no" vote in Johannesburg, and the CP expected the same outcome if council agreed to long-standing CP demands for a new poll on residential segregation, Mr. Theron said.

He warned: "Communities will have to fend for themselves. The danger is that the poorer type of areas, where people are less mobile economically and cannot easily move, are the areas that will be affected.

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#90241d1800 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, West Germany (AUG. 29) - West German consumer prices rose 0.4 percent in August over the July level according to provisional figures released here Wednesday.

The increase was 2.9 percent over the level of consumer prices in August last year, higher than the 2.4 percent year on year increase in July.

The higher year on year figure was due to a rise in oil prices in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, the federal statistics office said.

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#90241d1930 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 29) - The U.S. electronics firm IBM has opened its first joint venture in China in an effort to boost its presence in the country, the China Daily said Wednesday.

After two years of negotiation, International Business Machines Corp. signed a five-year renewable joint venture agreement with the Tianjin Zhonghuan Computer Corp. based in the northeastern city of Tianjin, the English-language daily said.

The joint company, Tianjin Advanced Information Products Corporation Ltd., will use the IBM patent to produce, under IBM license, PS2 personal computers at the rate of 100 per day, the newspaper said.

The IBM office in Beijing refused to give any details of the size of the initial investment involved in the setup of the company.

The joint venture will start with a workforce of 20, rising to 50 as the business grows, the newspaper said.

The China Daily stressed that China, with its cheap labour, was already a major supplier of spare parts to IBM, and the U.S. company would be able to increase imports under the new agreement.

During the first quarter of this year, IBM bought 11 million dollars' worth of spare parts, compared to a total of 20 million dollars' worth for the whole of last year.

The Tianjin Zhonghuan Computer company is one of China's leading electronics firms, with 13 manafacturing plants around the country and six joint ventures with investors from Hong Kong, Japan and the United States.

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#90241d1980 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (AUG. 29) - The Securities Exchange of Thailand (SET) index climbed 11.22 points, or 1.36 percent, Wednesday as turnover surged in brisk trading on the heels of a Finance Ministry move to raise investor confidence.

The index, increasingly unpredictable of late, closed at 834.97 points with winning stocks in the banking and finance sectors.

Turnover was so high that the release of official closing figures was delayed by almost two hours, and reached 4.041 billion baht (161.64 million U.S. dollars), up from Tuesday's turnover of 1.859 billion baht (74.359 million U.S. dollars).

An exchange spokesman attributed the high turnover to increased willingness among brokers to sell shares following emergency measures taken by the Finance Ministry at the weekend to pull the bourse out of an all-time slump in the wake of the Gulf crisis.

The ministry, which in practice supervises the theoretically independent bourse, had "asked for the cooperation" of 35 brokers to underwrite an emergency fund totalling five billion baht (200 million U.S. dollars), to be injected into the market, said an exchange official.

The official said the move was tantamount to putting pressure on the brokers to contribute at least 100 million baht (four million dollars) each, since it was understood that they would be "blacklisted" if they did not cooperate.

The exchange management also warned companies planning to sell shares on the bourse, including Toshiba Corp's subsidiary in Thailand, against doing so until it could recover from the slump, informed sources at the exchange said.

The fund, the second to be launched since similar emergency measures were taken in the aftermath of the 1987 world stock crash, pushed the index back from an all-time low of 695.81 points on Friday.

But an exchange spokesman said the market was unlikely to recover rapidly from its loss of 39.1 percent since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

The spokesman attributed renewed confidence among investors partly to a surprise cabinet reshuffle that involved replacing Finance Minister Pramuan Sapavasu with a non-partisan economist, Virabongsa Ramangura.

The reshuffle also gave an exchange director, prominent businessman Amaret Sila-on, the Commerce Ministry portfolio.

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#90241d2010 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 29) - Bank of Japan governor Yasushi Mieno on Wednesday strongly denied reports that the central bank had approached the Finance Ministry to discuss raising the bank's official discount rate.

"This is not the case," Mr. Mieno told a news conference.

The denial followed reports that the central bank planned to raise the discount rate, charged on loans to financial institutions, by up to one percentage point either later this week or early next month.

The bank wants to raise the rate, which currently stands at 5.25 percent following a one-point hike on March 20, to stem upward pressure on prices resulting from an acute labor shortage and higher oil prices, the reports said.

Mr. Mieno said prices were stable for the time being, but added that the bank was closely monitoring domestic and external developments in light of the current uncertainty in the Middle East.

The central bank is particularly concerned about Japan's rapid rate of money supply growth and the labour shortage, Mr. Mieno said, adding that the recent surge in crude oil prices "may also be a major inflationary factor."

Japan's money supply grew at an annual rate of 12.2 percent in July, a modest slowdown from April and May, when it hit a 14-year high of 13.2 percent.

Mr. Mieno described recent movements in foreign exchange rates as "volatile" due to dollar buying in times of international crisis and purchases of yen based on Japan's "continuing economic boom and strong fundamentals."

The Bank of Japan raised its discount rate three times last year after keeping it at an all-time low of 2.5 percent for more than two years.

The current rate of 5.25 percent is the highest in almost five years and a hike of one percentage point would take it to its highest level in almost nine years.

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#90241d2150 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 29) - The Jordanian government, in a surprise move, has decided to lift subsidies of basic food commodities starting September 1 in line with recommendations by the International Monetary Fund, officials said Wednesday.

The officials told the German Press Agency that Amman, which resisted IMF pressure for a year, decided to lift subsidies in light of the serious economic difficulties the kingdom is facing.

One official explained that the government will also issue food stamps to distribute to low-income Jordanians and ease the impact of the lifting of subsidies.

Prices of basic foods such as bread, milk, rice and sugar are expected to rise an average of 50 percent as a result of the move.

The subsidies were projected to cost Amman about 100 million Jordanian dinars (150 million dollars), adding further to the country's budget deficit.

''The lifting of the subsidies is part of the government's agreement with the IMF earlier this year,'' the official explained. ''We were supposed to implement the agreement as of July 1, but there were difficulties and strong opposition to parliament.''

The move comes amid rising economic problems which have been made worse by the Gulf crisis which has produced a freeze in Arab financial aid to Jordan, a decline in remittances of Jordanian expatriates working in the Gulf, and the loss of Jordan's largest export market, Iraq, because of the embargo against Baghdad.

The official expressed hope that ''people will show understanding of the government's position and inability to continue subsidies, and its attempt to make sure that subsidies are provided only for those who really need them''.

An IMF-inspired increase in the prices of basic commodities and services in April 1989 sparked anti-government demonstrations which brought down Prime Minister Zaid Rifai.

#90241d2180 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANJUL (AUG. 29) - The resignation of embattled Liberian president Samuel Doe forms the basis of proposals for an interim government put to Liberian politicians and religious leaders by West African mediators in a working paper on Wednesday.

One scenario envisaged by the 16-nation Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) in its efforts to end Liberia's bloody eight-month civil war would have Mr. Doe stand down after he had sacked his government's ministers and obtained the resignation of the speakers of the national assembly and the senate.

Current vice-president Harry Moniba, acting as head of state, would then call on the person chosen by the conference to be interim president and would hand over power.

An alternative approach would see Mr. Doe depart from office after parties signed an agreement on the names for a transitional regime. Mr. Moniba would form a government comprising a single minister, who would be the new leader designated by the conference. After Mr. Moniba's own resignation, that person would bring in the ministerial team already chosen by the conference.

The ECOWAS mediation committee proposed that the conference also name a legislature comprising renowned politicians, a representative for each county,
and representatives of the belligerents.

Subsequently general elections could be held in October next year and the new leadership be sworn in in January 1992.

The working paper recommended suspending three articles of the constitution which stipulate that presidential hopefuls must have been in the country at least 10 years and be worth at least 25,000 dollars, and that assembly election candidates must have been there at least a year.

ECOWAS has stationed a five-nation peacekeeping force in the port area of the Liberian capital Monrovia in the hope of imposing a cease-fire but has come under fire from the main rebel movement of former civil servant Charles Taylor.

Mr. Taylor and Mr. Doe have refused to take part in the conference being hosted by Gambia, the current ECOWAS chairman, but a delegation from the splinter rebel movement of Prince Johnson, who has welcomed the monitoring force, was on its way.

Ugandan state radio reported in a broadcast monitored in Kampala meanwhile that Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni, the chairman of the Organisation of African Unity (OAU), had received a message from Mr. Taylor.

The radio said the message was delivered Tuesday by Ernest Eastman, the chairman of the Baumannn company of Liberia who briefed Mr. Museveni on the conflict in Liberia.

The radio did not disclose the contents of the message but diplomatic sources said it may have contained a protest by Mr. Taylor to the OAU chairman about the presence of the five-nation West African force in Liberia.

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#90241d2230 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 29) - Yassir Arafat, Chairman of the Palestinian Liberation Organization, met here Wednesday with French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas to urge European support for the Plo peace plan for the Gulf, an Arafat aide said.

The aide, Bassam Abu Sherif, said the Plo was hoping for ''European action in support of an Arab solution to the crisis and utilization of all U.N. resolutions on the Palestinian issue''.

Arafat arrived in Paris from talks in Iraq and Yemen on the Gulf crisis. His peace plan envisions Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the pullout of Western forces from the Gulf region as well as holding of elections in Kuwait under auspices of the United Nations.

Unclear is whether the Arafat plan links a Gulf solution to withdrawal of Israelis from the occupied territories.

Paris insists on restoration of Kuwaiti sovereignty and re-installation of the exiled emir.

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#90241d2250 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 29) - The Singapore government has welcomed the agreement by the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council on a framework for a political settlement to the Cambodian problem, a foreign ministry spokesman said Wednesday.

''Prospects for a negotiated settlement have never been better,'' the spokesman told reporters.

Under the plan worked out Tuesday by the United States, Soviet Union,

China, France and Britain, the Cambodians are to form a supreme national council until elections are held.

The U.N. will verify a ceasefire, supervise disarmament, help organise polls and ensure that all Vietnamese forces leave the country.

It will also take charge of foreign affairs, defence, finance, information and public security until elections take place.

Meanwhile, Indonesian officials also spoke favourably of the agreement. Foreign Minister Ali Alatas said, however, that Indonesia was still waiting for confirmation from the four Cambodian warring parties that they will attend peace talks scheduled for next month in Jakarta.

The Cambodian resistance coalition comprises the Khmer Rouge, supporters of Prince Norodom Sihanouk, and a nationalist group led by Son Sann.

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#90241d2260 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (AUG. 29) - The South African government said here Wednesday it would shortly open a trade office in Mauritius.

South Africa is the Indian Ocean island's second major trading partner after France, with commercial exchanges already running at 300 million dollars a year.

The move, seen as a prelude to establishing full diplomatic relations, comes a fortnight after Pretoria opened a trade office with its other Indian Ocean neighbour Madagascar during an official visit by President Frederik de Klerk.

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#90241d2310 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (AUG. 29) - Many ethnic Albanians were injured when police used clubs and tear gas to disperse thousands of demonstrators gathered Wednesday in Pristina before the arrival of a delegation of U.S. senators in the troubled Serbian province of Kosovo, Tanjug news agency said.

Six ethnic Albanians were arrested including two former Albanian policemen dismissed when Serbian authorities replaced ethnic Albanian policemen by Serbian forces, Belgrade television reported.

The seven-member U.S. delegation, headed by Republican Senator Robert Dole, was due to arrive later Wednesday to get a first-hand look at the situation in Kosovo, wracked by violence over the mainly ethnic Albanian population's desire to rid the province of control by the Serbian republic.

Several thousand ethnic Albanians had gathered outside the Grand Hotel in central Pristina waiting for the U.S. senators to arrive, Tanjug said. When police ordered them to disperse, the crowd started throwing stones at them.

Police responded by firing tear gas and wading into the crowd with clubs.

Large numbers of police were deployed in Pristina's main street, where the hotel is located, Tanjug said.

A local journalist said by telephone that the authorities fear the U.S. legislators' visit will spark huge demonstrations by ethnic Albanians, who form 90 percent of the population of Kosovo.

Serbia reduced Kosovo's autonomy through constitutional changes in 1989, and on July 2 scrapped its government after ethnic Albanian members of the local parliament proclaimed the province independent.

Serbia has blacked out the local television, radio and Albanian-language newspapers, and transferred funds held by the National Bank of Kosovo to the Kosovo Interior Ministry and Serbian Railways.

Leaders of a local independent trade union federation not recognized by Serbia were jailed after the chairman called a general strike for next Monday.

Mr. Dole and his colleagues, who earlier visited Belgrade and Zagreb, capital of the northwestern republic of Croatia, plan to meet leaders of the opposition in Pristina as well as leaders of the Serbian community, who allege they are discriminated against and threatened by ethnic Albanians.

In Belgrade, the U.S. senatorial delegation was received by Serbian government leader Stanko Radmilovic.

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#90241d2330 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (AUG. 29) - The Italian Foreign Ministry has filed a formal protest on behalf of the European Community (E.C.) with the Libyan government for Tripoli's purported assistance in a coastal attack on Israel May 30 by Palestinian guerrillas, a spokesman for the Italian Foreign Ministry said Wednesday.

The protest was lodged Tuesday, the spokesman said.

Three Palestinians were killed and five others arrested by Israeli forces in the attempted boat landing on a beach south of Tel Aviv.

U.S. intelligence sources say logistical support almost certainly came from Libya.

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#90241d2780 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ZURICH (AUG. 29) - Swiss-Swedish group Asea Brown Boveri (ABB), the world's leading electrical engineering concern, said Wednesday its pre-tax profit rose 28 percent in the first half of this year to 500 million dollars from 391 million.

Turnover was up 35 percent over the first half of 1989 at 12.78 billion dollars against 9.44 billion, and ABB said it was expecting results for the whole year to be in line with the interim figures.

Excluding acquisitions and disinvestment, as well as exchange rate fluctuations, growth was down to six percent.

Orders during the first half totalled 14.91 billion dollars, up 33 percent on the first half of last year. Excluding new acquisitions, orders were up eight percent.

The group said that the Gulf crisis "as it has developed to date" would have little direct effect on its performance.

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#90241d2800 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 29) - British conglomerate Pearson said Wednesday its taxable profit rose 15 percent in the first half of this year to 97.9 million pounds (188 million dollars) from 85.4 million (164 million dollars).

Pearson, which owns the Financial Times, 50 per cent of merchant bank Lazard Brothers and the waxworks museum Madame Tussaud's in London, said turnover was up 11 per cent over the first half of 1989 at 710.9 million pounds (1.36 billion dollars) against 641.4 million (1.23 billion dollars).

Interim dividend was set at 10.75 pence, up from nine, and earnings per share rose 16 percent from 21.4 pence to 24.8.

The results were slightly better than market predictions of profit of around 95 million pounds, but Pearson shares were down four pence at 690 in mid-session trading in a falling market.

A 25 percent rise in profit for Lazard's and a 53 percent jump in profit from services to th oil sector were largely responsible for the good rise

in profit.

But the press division saw its profit fall 13 percent due to falling advertising revenue and the costs of launching an edition of the Financial Times in Tokyo, whose total cost is estimated at two million pounds (3.8 million dollars).

Pearson was cautious over prospects for the rest of the year, due to a slowdown in activity on the financial market likely to affect Lazard Brothers, and continuing bad conditions in the press sector.

Brokers UBS-Philips and Drew said they were standing by their earlier forecast of annual profit of 280 million pounds.

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#90241d2830 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 29) - The International Energy Agency (IEA) welcomed Wednesday's OPEC decision to boost output to compensate for supply lost due to the Gulf crisis, but refused to link the move to freeing oil stocks held by consumer countries.

"The OPEC decision should make a strong contribution in the weeks to come to filling the hole in the oil market left by the loss of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude," said IEA director Helga Steeg in a statement published in Paris.

But there was no question of "linking this increase with a utilization by IEA members of their strategic stocks."

The IEA would not advise its member countries to call on their stocks except in the case of "a real supply shortage," a source close to the IEA said, and would not make such a move due to a simple rise in prices such as that last week which saw crude go above 30 dollars a barrel.

But Wednesday's decision by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries should come as some comfort to the 21 industrialized countries forming the IEA, who are due to meet in Paris on Friday to discuss supply problems as a result of the Gulf crisis.

At its last meeting on Aug. 9, the IEA decided not to take emergency measures to cope with problems caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait a week earlier and a subsequent U.N. embargo on Kuwaiti and Iraqi oil on the grounds that the Gulf crisis had not yet caused any real shortage on the market.

OPEC oil ministers meeting in Vienna agreed Wednesday on a temporary increase in OPEC production in line with need, but gave no specific figures.

The accord also called on consumer countries to "actively participate in the stabilization process" by drawing from their stocks, and on the IEA to activate its emergency oil sharing agreement.

The agreement was endorsed by ten of the 13 OPEC countries.

Iran did not accept it, a ministerial aide said, and Iraq and Libya did not attend the meeting.

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#90241d2880 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RANGOON (AUG. 29) - A division of Burma's National League for Democracy (NLD), the country's largest political party, urged its leaders Wednesday to defy the ruling military junta and convene parliament by October at the latest.

In a letter to the party's leaders, the NLD's Mandalay division urged them to "implement their legal right as a winning party to convene parliament in October," should the junta fail to do so in September.

"We call upon the NLD leadership to be courageous and do what ought to be done within the framework of law," the letter said.

The junta, under its title of the State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC), has warned it will take action if any attempt is made to set up a government before a new constitution is drafted and approved, a process observers here say could take years.

At last month's NLD's conference the party, which swept the May general elections, called on SLORC to convene parliament by the end of September.

But the NLD leadership, determined to avoid a confrontation with the military, did not say what if any action it might take if the call was ignored.

Western diplomats here have reported growing tension within the NLD over its non-confrontational policy.

Mandalay, the ancient political capital, some 450 miles (725 kilometers) north of Rangoon, is a potiental political hot-bed where students and members of the Buddhist clergy continue to protest the lack of progress in the aftermath of the elections.

Last month, two students and two monks were reportedly shot dead in Mandalay when troops fired on demonstrators. The SLORC has denied that anyone died or that troops opened fire.

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#90241d3040 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 29) - Ladbroke Group, the British owners of Hilton International Hotels, confirmed Wednesday they will sell their two Hilton Hotels in central London.

The 377-room Regents Park Hilton and the 403-room Olympia Hilton in London's West End are together valued at almost 200 million pounds (106 million dollars).

The sale is part of a rationalization program by the hotel chain which is constructing a new Hilton south of Regents park, a Ladbroke spokesman said.

Ladbroke is also looking for a buyer for 63,000 square meters in the South Pacific island of Guam valued at 90 million pounds (174 million dollars).

Ladbroke Group Wednesday announced a 12 percent increase in pre-tax profits for the first six months of the year to 158.2 million pounds (306.9 million dollars) compared to 141.2 million pounds (273.9 million dollars) for the same period a year earlier.

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#90241d3070 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRISBANE, Australia (AUG. 29) - Hundreds of aborigines will meet on tropical Cape York Peninsula next week to plan a campaign against a proposed space base which some see as the "second invasion" of their country.

According to the aborigines, the base is being planned in Washington, Moscow and Tokyo with no consideration for aboriginal land rights.

The base is proposed jointly by the Australian Government and the Queensland State Government for Australia's most northerly tip.

Cape York Aboriginal Land Council spokesman Noel Pearson said Wednesday the plan was pitting multi-national companies armed with skilled lawyers against the traditional owners of the land.

"The Wuthathi and Kuku Yau communities are faced with the prospect of fighting American space entrepreneurs using Soviet rockets funded by Japanese investment," he said.

"The idea of a space base in the midst of people who have already endured a terrible history of exploitation and destruction of their societies would seem like some kind of ridiculous sick joke.

"But it is deadly serious for the people of the Cape," Mr. Pearson said.

The purpose of next week's inaugural Cape York Land Conference at the Lockhart River Community was to re-affirm aboriginal resistance to the "second invasion of their country" and to form a political organisation to assert land rights.

He said the Cape York Space Base project appeared to be going ahead despite clear commitments by the governing Labor Party to recognise land rights.

"The major decisions regarding the proposed space base are being made in the White House, the Kremlin and in Tokyo," Mr. Pearson said.

Queensland's Premier Wayne Goss has said his Government's support for the space base was conditional on a satisfactory environmental impact study and the settling of issues with the traditional owners.

Mr. Pearson said the federal and Queensland governments had put the land use study on the back burner.

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#90241d3130 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (AUG. 29) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,514.00 (1,533.00) 1,483.50 (1,501.50)
Lead 460.00 (450.00) 464.25 (456.75)
Zinc Sh 1,652.50 (1,652.50) 1,542.50 (1,543.50)
Tin 5,040.00 (5,970.00) 6,052.50 (6,087.50)
Aluminium 1,800.00 (1,804.00) 1,820.50 (1,822.50)
Nickel 11,150.00 (10,900.00) 10,937.00 (10,737.00)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90241d3200 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 29) - Security forces Wednesday surrounded the Syrian towns of Al-Hasakah and Deir ez-Zor after violent pro-Iraqi protests erupted in the two communities near Syria's border with Iraq, reliable sources here reported.

Security forces have threatened to open fire unless the demonstrators dispersed, the sources said. The protests took place at around 5 p.m. (1400

GMT) with demonstrators chanting support for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

It was not immediately clear if the protests had ended.

Travellers from Syria said here earlier that security forces had clashed in recent days with pro-Iraqi demonstrators in the two northeastern communities as well as in the border village of Abu Kamal on the Euphrates River.

They quoted residents of the western Syrian city of Homs as saying dozens of people were killed.

The three communities in Jezirah province are traditionally close to Iraq, although Damascus is a regional rival of Baghdad, which it now opposes in the Gulf crisis.

There was no official confirmation of the clashes from Syria, which does not normally report on unauthorized demonstrations.

Travellers coming from Damascus said the Syrian capital was tense Monday, with dozens of soldiers deployed at main intersections.

A visit to Egypt by Syrian President Hafez al-Assad, originally due to take place last Sunday, was delayed until Tuesday without any official explanation. The visit lasted only a few hours.

In February 1982, bloody clashes between the Syrian Army and Moslem fundamentalists in the western city of Hama killed thousands of people. Estimates for the death toll vary between 3,000 and 20,000.

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#90241d3300 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (AUG 29) - Katerina Maleeva knocked out younger sister Magdalena at the US Open here Wednesday in a first-round match even their mother could not bare to watch.

It was the first time the two younger sisters of the Maleeva dynasty (Manuela is the oldest) had met in a tournament and Katerina, seeded seventh, won the encounter 6-3, 6-1, but admitted afterward she "felt bad about it."

"You can never forget you are playing your brother or sister and it's difficult," she added. "You just have to keep trying."

"We'll try to forget about it as soon as possible," said Magdalena, who is ranked 90th in the world.

Their mother, Yulia Berbarian, broke with her usual tradition and did not attend the match, which drew a sizeable crowd on court 16.

"She was very sad when she saw the draw," said Katerina, who at 21 is six years older than Magdalena.

The outcome of the match was never really in doubt, even though Magdalena struck first by breaking serve in the opening game.

But the match produced several moments of sibling rivalry, both friendly and more serious.

In the third game of the second set, Magdalena served up an ace she thought was wide and sought confirmation from Katerina before continuing.

Two points later, Magdalena hit her serve to the same spot and had it called wide. The two sisters looked at each other and smiled.

But Katerina twice reminded her baby sister of her place in the family pecking order.

On two occasions in the second set, Katerina responded to winners -- one a return of serve and the other a second-serve ace -- with winners of her own.

When the match ended, the two approached the net and gave each other a 'high-five.'

"There are many things worse than losing to your sister," said Magdalena, who now will team with Manuela in doubles.

In other early action, fifth-seeded Argentina Gabriela Sabatini demolished Isabelle Demongeot of France 6-1, 6-1 on the stadium court to advance to the third round.

The first round, which was plagued by rain on Monday, was concluding Wednesday with fifth-seeded Andres Gomez of Ecuador and 15th-seeded Yugoslav Goran Ivanisevic seeing action.

Among the second-round matches, second-seeded Martina Navratilova was playing Britain's Clare Wood, and third-seeded Ivan Lendl was facing West German Michael Stich.

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#90241d3320 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG. 29) - The European Economic Community is likely to limit

the movement of Iraqi diplomats in its 12 member states, in retaliation for the threat to close EEC embassies in Kuwait, diplomatic sources said Wednesday.

They said they expected an official announcement to be made by the weekend.

The Community has been pondering reprisals since August 21, two days before Iraqi troops surrounded the embassies in Kuwait City to follow up their annexation of the emirate.

"A large number" of EEC members argued against following the United States in expelling Iraqi diplomats, fearing that this could "provoke" Baghdad into taking further action against Europeans, the sources said.

The agreement to limit the movement of Iraqi diplomats to EEC capitals is, for the time being, the only Community-wide measure envisaged against Iraq a source said.

It does not prevent EEC members from individually taking stronger measures, he said.

Several countries, including Britain, which have nationals in Kuwait, expressed concern about "the timing" of the announcement, a source said, noting that Iraq has promised to repatriate the wives and children of foreigners trapped in the Gulf crisis.

The action against the Iraqi diplomats added to a decision taken by the Community on August 4 -- two days in advance of a similar resolution by the United Nations -- to impose a blanket embargo on trade and arms sales with Iraq and to freeze Iraqi assets in the EEC.

The EEC has also launched an airlift to repatriate Egyptian workers stranded on the Jordanian border with Iraq. It has also pledged aid for Jordan, Turkey and Egypt, whose economies are facing a slump in revenue because of the Gulf crisis.

On the military front, a majority of EEC members have sent ships, men or aircraft to the Gulf or eastern Mediterranean to help police the U.N. sanctions against Iraq. Others have provided logistical support for the effort.

The EEC states have at least 4,300 citizens in Kuwait and at least 2,100 in Iraq, according to an unofficial count.

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NICOSIA (AUG. 29) - The United States has sent an estimated 50,000 troops

to the Gulf since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and is expected to boost the force to some 100,000 within weeks.

A breakdown of troops and equipment, by nation, in the region follows:

IRAQ: One million regular troops, including more than 160,000 in Kuwait, 5,500 tanks and 512 combat planes.

Iraq claims more than 1.2 million people have volunteered for a "people's army," which Baghdad said it was forming immediately after it invaded Kuwait.

The U.S. Defense Department said Tuesday that Iraq had sent more troops to Kuwait and "contiguous zones," where its forces now numbered 265,000 men.

WESTERN NATIONS:

AUSTRALIA: Two missile-launching frigates and a support ship with 600 men aboard are expected in the Gulf of Oman around Tuesday.

BELGIUM: Two minesweepers and a support ship are heading for the Gulf of Oman, near the Strait of Hormuz.

BRITAIN: A squadron of 12 Tornado F-3s and an air force unit with Rapier anti-aircraft missiles has gone to Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, while 12 Jaguar fighter bombers and four Nimrod naval reconnaissance planes are in Oman. A squadron of 12 Tornado GR-1 fighter bombers are in Bahrain.

The destroyer York, two frigates and a supply ship are cruising in the Gulf,
while three minesweepers are in the Mediterranean.

FRANCE: A total of 4,135 servicemen, mainly from the navy, are deployed on 14 ships, including the aircraft carrier Clemenceau carrying 42 helicopters. Three ships are patrolling south of the Gulf of Aqaba and in the Gulf to enforce the U.N.-decreed embargo against Iraq.

The anti-submarine frigate Montcalm is at the mouth of the Strait of Tiran, while the frigate Dupleix and escort ship Commandant Bory are cruising near the Strait of Hormuz. Three other ships are in the port of Djibouti.

France plans to send fighter helicopters to Saudi Arabia. A squadron of 270 paratroopers, mostly reconnaissance troops with light vehicles and due to be equipped with ground-to-air missiles, has been sent to the United Arab Emirates.

ITALY: Two frigates and a support ship with 616 men aboard are expected in the Gulf on Sunday or Monday. For the past week, two corvettes have been on

duty in an area of the Mediterranean previously patrolled by U.S. ships that left for the Gulf.

THE NETHERLANDS: Two frigates with 360 men aboard and anti-short range missile "Goalkeeper" defense systems, effective against Exocet missiles, are expected to reach the Gulf by Tuesday.

UNITED STATES: Although the Pentagon does not disclose exact figures, an estimated 50,000 troops are in Saudi Arabia, mainly Marines, for "Operation Desert Shield." The total number is expected to reach about 100,000 within a few weeks in an operation estimated to cost 2.5 billion dollars by the end of September.

Some 60 U.S. warships, including four aircraft carriers and support vessels,
are or will be patrolling in the region.

An estimated 400 combat planes are on hand, including F-111 bombers, Harriers, F-15 and F-16 fighter bombers and Stealth fighters. B-52 bombers could be brought in from bases on the Indian Ocean island of Diego Garcia.

Transport planes, AWACS radar aircraft and helicopters are also ready for combat.

Ships docked Tuesday in Saudi Arabia bringing M1 Abrams tanks and Bradley infantry combat vehicles.

ASIAN STATES: Bangladesh sent a token force to Saudi Arabia to defend the kingdom while Pakistan has said it plans to send 5,000 troops to Saudi Arabia in the next few days.

ARAB STATES: There are 1,100 Syrian troops, 3,000 Egyptians, and 1,200 Moroccans in Saudi Arabia. Egypt plans to fly in more soldiers, boosting its total strength to 15,000 men.

GULF STATES:

BAHRAIN: 3,350 soldiers, 54 combat tanks, 12 combat planes, 12 armed helicopters and four missile-launching patrol boats.

OMAN: 25,000 soldiers, 39 combat tanks, 63 combat planes, 12 missile-launching patrol boats.

QATAR: 7,000 soldiers, 24 combat tanks, 13 combat planes, 20 armed helicopters and three missile-launching patrol boats.

SAUDI ARABIA: 65,700 soldiers, 500 tanks, 1,850 artillery pieces, 179 combat planes, 44 helicopters and 21 warships.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES: 43,000 men, 131 tanks, 530 combat planes, 203 helicopters and 24 warships.

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#90241d3510 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PESHAWAR, Pakistan (AUG. 29) - Police seized 300 kilograms (660 pounds) of hashish in a fruit market here Wednesday, official sources said.

A fruit dealer was arrested after police found the hashish in crates belonging to him, they said.

The street value of hashish here is said to be about 90 dollars per kilo.

Last week 1,000 kilos (2,200 pounds) of opium was seized in southwestern Baluchistan province by an army patrol on the Pakistan-Afghanistan border, after an exchange of fire with smugglers.

A day earlier, Pakistani customs authorities made a haul of 49 kilos (107.8 pounds) of heroin and arrested two smugglers in northwestern Bannu town.

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#90241d3640 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HELSINKI (AUG. 29) - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher called here Wednesday for "rigorous" enforcement of U.N. sanctions against Iraq and said that Britain has not rejected the military option in the Gulf crisis.

Speaking at a news conference, Mrs. Thatcher also said Iraq must withdraw its forces from Kuwait, the legal government must be restored and all hostages held by Iraq must be released. That is not negotiable, she added.

Referring to the visit of U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to Amman to meet Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz, the British prime minister said there is no need for a mediator in the Gulf crisis.

The question is how to implement the U.N. economic sanctions, she said.

Asked about the risk of an armed conflict in the Gulf, Mrs. Thatcher said that Britain has not rejected the military option.

She said the first objective is to defend the countries in the area and the second to rigorously implement the economic sanctions imposed by U.N. Security Council to force Iraq to leave Kuwait.

The conflict can be settled peacefully if all countries strictly implement the U.N. Security Council resolutions, she said.

Commenting on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's announcement that foreign women and children could leave Iraq, Mrs. Thatcher said the Iraqi leader is just doing what he should have done in the first place.

As for a request by opposition Labour Party leader Neil Kinnock to recall parliament over the Gulf crisis, Mrs. Thatcher said she will consult with her colleagues and pay "full attention" to the request after her three-day visit here ends Thursday.

Mrs. Thatcher, who arrived here on Tuesday, held a 75-minute meeting with Finnish conservative Prime Minister Harri Holkeri on Wednesday and attended a luncheon in her honor hosted by President Mauno Koivisto.

Mrs. Thatcher said the Gulf crisis and European questions had dominated the discussions. Bilateral relations were also raised with Mrs. Thatcher emphasizing that there are no problems between Finland and Britain.

Commenting on European integration at a meeting with representatives of Finnish trade and industry Wednesday morning, Mrs. Thatcher said neutrality is no bar to full membership of the European Economic Community.

There is nothing to stop a neutral country from applying for membership, she said, noting that the EEC already has one neutral member, Ireland.

Mrs. Thatcher also took a helicopter trip on Wednesday to an oil refinery of the state-run oil company Neste near the town of Porvoo, west of here, and had a short cruise on board a missile patrol boat.

The official part of her visit ended Wednesday. On Thursday, Mrs. Thatcher will attend the opening of a conference here of European centre-right parties,
the European Democratic Union.

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#90241d3670 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WIESBADEN, West Germany (AUG. 29) - The heatwave that parched Western Europe in July has been good news for breweries, with thirsty West German beer drinkers guzzling sales to record-breaking levels.

More than a billion litres of beer was sold in July in West Germany, topping the previous record of 980 million litres set in May, according to the Federal Bureau of Statistics.

West Germans increased monthly beer consumption by 22.5 percent compared to July last year to reach 1.01 billion litres.

Bavarians had the biggest thirst, consuming 29.2 percent of the total, followed by Rhine-North Westphalia with 26.8 percent.

But it was in Berlin that beer drinking took the biggest leap, increasing by 50.5 percent, no doubt helped out by the tearing down of the Berlin Wall.

Bottles and cans accounted for three-quarters of sales and another 222 million litres of draft beer were sold.

The record sales in July brings West German beer sales to 5.83 billion litres since the beginning of the year, 8.2 percent more than the same period last year.

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#90241d3920 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (AUG. 29) - West African peace-keeping troops have called on the international community to send in emergency food supplies to feed thousands of Liberians suffering from the country's eight-month civil war, the Ghana News Agency reported Wednesday.

An agency correspondent quoted a communique released Tuesday in Monrovia by the Economic Community of West African States monitoring group (ECOMOG) stating that the group hoped governments and aid agencies would "come in with full force with their expertise and resources" to help feed and care for the Liberian people.

It directed international donors to contact ECOMOG at the Monrovia freeport or the ECOWAS secretariat in Lagos.

The release said the ECOMOG force was "steadily finding its feet" and was turning its attention to humanitarian concerns following "the tumultous welcome from the population .... and the degree of understanding and respect accorded" it.

The 2,500-strong ECOMOG force is made up of troops from Ghana, Sierra Leone, Guinea, Nigeria and Gambia. They landed at the Monrovia port at the weekend by sea from Freetown.

The troops met some resistance from National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) rebels Saturday, but the capital was reported calm Sunday.

"Nearly all the hospitals and health centres have closed down while those still open operate on skeleton basis only," the statement said.

The force was working to restore electricity and water which was cut off in June.

The agency said about 200 Ghanaians trapped in their embassy have gone without food for a month.

An embassy spokesperson said one Ghanaian who was sheltering in the embassy died last week of hunger while "many people are collapsing almost every day."

The NPFL, led by former government official Charles Taylor, controls most of the West African country except for Monrovia city center and the port area to the north.

Troops loyal to embattled president Samuel Doe and Independent National Patriotic Front of Liberia (INPFL) rebels led by Prince Johnson have agreed to a truce and have welcomed the peacekeeping force.

A delegation sent by Prince Johnson arrived in Banjul Wednesday to take part in a conference on the political future of Liberia.

Delegation leader Noah Bordola said his movement would like to see peace in Liberia to end the suffering of the people, but added that President Doe must be removed from the presidential palace by ECOMOG forces.

The INPFL is the only one of the three belligerents in Liberia taking part in the conference in the Gambian capital to establish an interim government in Liberia.

There was sporadic firing in Monrovia's capital Tuesday, Ghana News Agency reported, but there was no precise information on peace-keeping troops positions in the capital on Wednesday.

The Nigerian contingent of the peace-keeping force, the largest with 600 troops and 25 tanks and armoured vehicles, moved towards the small James Spriggs Payne airport on Monday, four kilometres (2.4 miles) west of the presidential palace.

Gaining control of the airport held by troops loyal to President Doe would facilitate the arrival of Nigerian reinforcements, observers said.

The most violent fighting took place Saturday when NPFL troops attacked the port area with rockets launchers before ECOWAS troops could deploy and gain control of the area.

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#90241d4000 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 29) - Prospects for peace talks between the leaders of two black warring groups, Inkatha and the African National Congress (ANC),

improved Wednesday, an Inkatha source said.

Low level talks between the two groups resumed Wednesday and were continuing late in the day, sources said.

Attending are representatives of the conservative Zulu-based Inkatha party, officials of the self-governing KwaZulu tribal homeland and executives of the alliance representing the black nationalist ANC, the million-strong Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu) and the United Democratic Front (UDF).

The talks are aimed at spearheading negotiations between these groups for the resolution of the conflict that first flared in 1986 in Natal Province where some 4,000 people have died.

This conflict moved to 27 townships in Transvaal Province on August 13 leaving more than 500 dead in two weeks of the worst black-on-black violence yet witnessed in the country.

There are renewed hopes that Wednesday's meeting will clear the way for peace talks between Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi and the ANC deputy president Nelson Mandela, Mr. Dhlomo, a former Inkatha secretary-general now an independent conciliator, told AFP.

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#90241d4210 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 29) - Qatar has expelled 20 PLO officials since the Gulf crisis erupted, the Palestine Liberation Organisation's information chief said here Wednesday.

Yasser Abed Rabbo, speaking at a press conference, also reported what he called "restrictive measures against Palestinians in certain Gulf countries" since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Referring to the U.S. military deployment in the Gulf, Mr. Abed Rabbo said the expulsions could have been set as a condition for U.S. security guarantees for regional states.

The PLO has refused to condemn the invasion of Kuwait and has close ties with Baghdad.

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#90241d4240 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 29) - The West German embassy in Kuwait was still functioning nearly normally Wednesday on emergency power and water, embassy sources reported.

Nor were Iraqi forces surrounding the compound, it was said.

Ambassador Claus Soenksen and other diplomats commuted to and from the compound daily in their own cars without being stopped. Several diplomats reported water and power shortages at their homes, however.

Embassy officials said fuel reserves were sufficient to keep the power plant supplying at least enough electricity to run the embassy radio, the only reliable link with the outside world.

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#90241d4260 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) - President George Bush Wednesday telephoned Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu who briefed him on Tokyo's decision to extend financial and medical aid to countries hurt by the U.N.-mandated trade and arms embargo against Iraq.

White House spokesman Roman Popadiuk said Mr. Bush was pleased with Japan's measures, which include dispatching a medical team and various supplies to the region and granting 10 million dollars to refugees from Kuwait who are stranded in Jordan.

During talks with the president Tuesday, several lawmakers raised the issue of how to share the financial burden of the U.S.-led military deployment in the Gulf. Mr. Bush assured the members of Congress that Japan and West Germany,
among others, would make a greater financial contribution.

The White House spokesman said the Bush administration was tring to determine what it would ask of its allies and when it would do so.

He reacted with indignation to suggestions that the Japanese financial aid effectively turned the U.S. forces into "mercenaries."

("Japan should fulfill its international responsibilities," Mr. Kaifu told a news conference called to outline the six-point package which the government has been formulating over the past four weeks.)

Other measures announced by Mr. Kaifu include the charter of civilian aircraft and ships to transport food, water and medical supplies to the region, he said, adding that the medical team would comprise about a 100 doctors and nurses.

Mr. Kaifu said that Turkey, Egypt and Jordan -- the countries most affected by the embargo against Iraq and Kuwait -- would receive "substantial" aid from Japan although the amount was not disclosed.

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#90241d4310 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VIENNA (AUG. 29) - The oil market is likely to remain "static" for some time, with prices for "physical" oil likely to settle at around 24 dollars a barrel until extra OPEC crude starts moving, European-based Arab oil executives said here late Wednesday.

Commenting on the implications of OPEC's announcement of steps to boost production, they said this might take three to four weeks.

This meant that additional supplies from the major Gulf producers and Venezuela should begin to have an impact on the market in the second half of September, with shipments reaching destinations about 30 days or more later.

Kuwait's finance minister Sheikh Ali Khalifa al-Sabah, commenting on OPEC's decisions, told reporters that "we do not want the prices to go below 21 (dollars a barrel) and do not want them higher than 21."

Independent oil consultant Bahman Karbassioun meanwhile told AFP the direct effect of the OPEC agreement on the market would be "minimal."

"The prices are moved by the Gulf crisis," he said. "When the risk of war built up, prices went up by over 10 dollars" but they came down by over half that amount on a "slight indication that maybe military conflict is at least postponed."

"If tomorrow tensions increase, you will see a similar increase in prices again," Mr Karbassioun said, "If war actually breaks out, I would not be surprised if prices go above 40 dollars."

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#90241d4340 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (AUG. 29) - The number of 2,000-year-old terracotta figures unearthed in Xian, already China's primary archeological tourist site, has risen to 40,000, the China Daily said Wednesday.

The statues from the Han dynasty (207 B.C.- 221 A.D.) are far smaller than those of Emperor Qinshihuang's -- first emperor of the 220 B.C.- 207 B.C. Qin dynasty -- terracotta army, found earlier buried with its horses and chariots.

Around 60 centimeters (24 inches) tall, the newly discovered figures are of naked men and adolescents, thin and armless. Some have black hair, eyes, eyelashes and beards.

They were once dressed in silk robes, but the costumes have disintegrated over the centuries.

The recent discovery was hailed in mid-August as one of the most remarkable ever in China.

"They will open a new chapter in both the Chinese and world study of the history of art," said Wang Xuili, an official of the archeological team responsible for the excavation.

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#90241d4460 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (AUG 29) - French Open winner Andres Gomez, distracted by the crowds on an outside court, became the second Grand Slam champion in two days to crash out of the US Open here Wednesday when he lost his opening match to Brazilian Luiz Mattar.

Gomez, seeded fifth, lost 2-6, 6-3, 3-6, 3-6, joining Wimbledon champion Stefan Edberg, who became the first top seed in 19 years to be eliminated in the first round when he fell in straight sets to Soviet Alexander Volkov on Tuesday.

Gomez' exit marks the first time in the Open era that the French Open and Wimbledon champions have both been beaten in the first round.

Gomez, a 30-year-old from Ecuador, complained of the crowd on court three.

"It's tough to play outside," he said. "The people are walking behind and it's a distraction. I don't like the people moving. It's hard to see the ball."

There was little to separate the two players but Mattar was able to capitalize on Gomez' state of mind to win most of the big points.

The 66th-ranked Brazilian converted six of his 11 break-point opportunities, while Gomez succeeded on only three of nine.

"My game fits his," Mattar said. "When he plays well, he can beat anybody. But when he's not in the match 100 per cent, he gives you a lot of points. I put a lot of pressure on him and tried to win the big points."

Mattar, who is known as a clay-court specialist even though he has won four tournaments at home on hardcourts, felt he had the momentum after winning the first set.

"In this hot and humid weather, I feel the guy who takes the first set has

the advantage," he said. "I've beaten him before and I knew I had a chance to beat him, so I took it."

Gomez said he has not had enough time off to prepare for the Open since his victory at Roland Garros because of prior commitments.

"I tried not to play as much," he said. "But when you are number five, they (the organizers) say they want you here and then when you say no, they say you're on the poster so you have to come."

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#90241d4550 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH (AUG. 29) - Saudi King Fahd granted 100 million dollars to the Egyptian government Wednesday to assist thousands of Egyptians who have fled Iraq and Kuwait in the Gulf crisis.

The Saudi Press Agency said Fahd had also ordered four ships to ferry some 20,000 stranded Egyptians from Aqaba in Jordan to Suez in Egypt.

The donation was the second in less than ten days after Saudi Arabia last week granted 75 million dollars to Cairo.

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#90241d4690 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 29) - United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar, on his way to Amman for the first U.N. mediation talks with Iraq in the Gulf crisis, said Wednesday he was prepared to travel to Baghdad if necessary.

Perez said his talks Thursday in Joirdan with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz would be ''extremely delicate and difficult''.

Stopping over in Paris, the secretary general was to meet French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas before elaveing for Amman.

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#90241d4700 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 29) - Iraqi Oil Minister Issam al-Jalabi condemned OPEC's agreement Wednesday to boost oil production, arguing that it was illegal because only a full ministerial conference could adopt such a decision.

Mr. Jalabi, quoted by the Iraqi News Agency received here, said the decision taken in Vienna could not replace the agreement reached at the last full conference on July 27.

OPEC's market monitoring committee, which adopted the latest move, was not entitled to take such decisions, he said, noting that the next full conference was scheduled for December.

Mr. Jalabi also condemned what he called pressure from Saudi Arabia and Venezuela on the conference, but praised the opposition from some members of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

OPEC decided to increase production to make up for the crude oil supplies lost because of the international embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil since the invasion of Kuwait.

Iraq and Libya did not attend the meeting, which began as "informal consultations" Sunday and transformed Wednesday into a formal session of the ministerial market monitoring committee. Iran did not endorse the accord.

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#90241d4760 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) - Washington will agree to Baghdad's request for a list of U.S. women and children seeking to leave Iraq, although U.S. officials fear the move could lead to the arrest of the women's spouses, the State Department said Wednesday.

Baghdad has required exit visas from all U.S. citizens who want to leave Iraq, said State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler.

"We have been asked to provide the Iraqi authorities with the names of all those who might desire to leave. We are responding to that request," she said.

The State Department is aware that such a list might permit Iraqi authorities to round up more male U.S. citizens, she added.

After President George Bush deployed thousands of U.S. troops and dozens of warships to the Middle East in response to Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait,

Iraqi authorities began rounded up some of the thousands of foreigners working or living in Iraq and Kuwait. U.S. officials have accused Baghdad of relocating some of those Western captives to Iraqi military facilities to prevent a possible attack by U.S. forces.

Miss Tutwiler called Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's decision to let some of the U.S. citizens depart "a significant step in the right direction" -- if implemented.

"We have seen statements like these before. We hope Saddam Hussein will have the human decency to live up to his word," she said.

Some 70 U.S. citizens already have been arrested by Iraqi authorities in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. One U.S. man died of a heart attack while in Iraqi custody. Thursday, Iraqi medical personnel were to perform an autopsy on the man, whose name has not been released to the public, with a Western doctor observing the procedure.

The United States has provided a list of 15 U.S. citizens in Iraqi custody who need special medical care and has demanded their immediate release. But U.S. officials have refused Baghdad's offer to permit medications to be sent to the U.S. captives.

"We would fear that such individuals with whom we are now in contact might be removed to an unknown place by the Iraqi authorities," Miss Tutwiler said.

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#90241d5020 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MEXICO CITY (AUG 29) - The Gulf crisis has pushed oil prices in Mexico up an average of nine dollars a barrel to as high as 27 dollars per barrel, the state Petroleos Mexicanos (PEMEX) announced Wednesday.

The company said extra-light Olmeca oil was selling in the Western Hemisphere in August for 27.05 dollars per barrel, while light Istmo sold for 25.47 dollars a barrel and heavy Maya sold for 20.05 dollars a barrel.

In July, extra-light oil sold for 17.18 dollars a barrel, light for 15.78 dollars a barrel and heavy for 11.81 dollars a barrel, PEMEX said.

In Europe, Istmo oil sold in August for 24.99 dollars a barrel against 15.30 dollars in July, and Maya sold for 18.67 dollars a barrel against 10.26 in July.

Meanwhile in New York, the price of a barrel of crude oil plunged 1.96 dollars.

The price drop followed almost unanimous approval by members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, including Saudi Arabia, for a temporary increase in oil production.

The production hike was aimed at compensating for the loss of four million barrels a day lost from Iraq and Kuwait due to an international embargo in place since Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2.

A barrel of West Texas Intermediate oil for delivery in October closed 1.96

dollars lower Wednesday, down from 25.92 dollars at Tuesday's close.

Also Wednesday, Argentina's state Yacimientos Petroliferos Fiscales announced that its oil production was up 5.02 per cent the first seven months of this year over the same period last year.

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#90241d5230 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 30) - The Bank of Japan announced Thursday it would raise the official discount rate by 0.75 percentage point to 6.0 percent.

The central bank said the rate hike was effective immediately.

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#90241d5750 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (AUG 30) - Five residents of a apartment block were shot dead Thursday when a crazed gunman ran amok in the Australian city of Sydney.

Police said two women and three men were shot in the head at close range after the gunman, aged in his thirties, burst into the building in Surry Hills suburb.

After the massacre, the man placed his gun on the ground and went to a nearby shop where he bought a bottle of lemonade and a packet of cigarettes. He gave himself up to police who arrived at the scene.

Police said the gunman first shot dead a relative who lived in the apartment house before opening fire indiscriminately on the other four victims, all of them neighbors.

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#90241d9480 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 29) - Fares of major airlines, including Singapore Airlines (SIA), are to rise by five to 10 percent from Saturday because of increased fuel costs due to the Gulf crisis, an SIA spokesman said Wednesday.

The spokesman said the fare hikes were decided at a meeting here Tuesday of the Intra-Orient Marketing Program (IMP), which sets guidelines on minimum airfares to and from Singapore for about 20 airlines.

The rises will not be binding on tickets bought earlier but used for travelling after September 1.

Besides SIA, IMP comprises Swissair, British Airways, Cathay Pacific and

Thai Airways International. The SIA spokesman said non-IMP airlines would likely follow with their own fare increases.

Under the new rates, fares to Southeast Asian countries, as well as Taiwan,

Japan, South Korea, Australia and the Indian subcontintent, will go up by seven percent.

Fares to Europe will cost five percent more while those to the Middle East will be increased by 10 percent.

The spokesman said the fare hikes were necessitated by the rise in fuel prices, which shot up by about 40 percent following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

SIA officials say that a rise of one U.S. cent per gallon of oil raises the airline's fuel bill by about 9.5 million Singapore dollars (5.4 million U.S.) annually.

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#90241d9860 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (AUG. 29) - Indonesia has agreed to sell some of its oil to the Philippines but has turned down similar requests from India and Pakistan, oil officials here have said.

The three countries had approached Indonesia to buy oil to replace some of the Middle East supplies that had been disrupted by the Gulf crisis, the President Director of state oil firm Pertamina, Faisal Abda'oe, said Tuesday.

Indonesia would fulfill the Philippine requests for political reasons, he said, but meeting the other requests would be difficult as Pertamina had commitments to its traditional buyers.

Pertamina sources said Indonesia had agreed in principle to sell its oil to Manila and the two sides were now negotiating on prices. Indonesia and the Philippines are both members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

Mines and Energy Minister Ginanjar Kartasasmita said last week that Indonesia was raising its oil output towards its quota of 1.37 million barrels per day (BPD) set by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

The move was aimed at helping ease shortages of developing countries, including neighbouring Philippines which would get some 10,000 barrels per day, he said.

Philippine President Corazon Aquino said this week Jakarta had agreed to sell 300,000 barrels of crude oil, about half of Manila's original request.

Indonesia is currently producing around 1.30 million BPD, some 700,000 BPD of which are exported, mainly to Japan contracts.

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#90241d9880 08/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 29) - The Philippine House of Representatives passed on final reading late Tuesday a bill making participation in a coup attempt a crime, official spokesmen said Wednesday, as fears persisted here of a new military power grab.

The bill will now go to a conference committee so it can be reconciled with a version passed earlier by the Senate, which initiated the legislation after last December's bloody abortive putsch against President Corazon Aquino.

The house bill was passed by a vote of 112 to 21 late Tuesday, hours after a special presidential commission probing military unrest urged quicker action on the proposed law as one measure to forestall a new attempt.

There was no immediate official word on the difference between the two bills, but the Manila Chronicle said the house version called for a maximum penalty of life imprisonment for any member of the military or government who takes part in a coup attempt, while the senate opted for 20 years.

The reconciled version of the bills will be signed by Mrs. Aquino into law.

Both bills define participation in a coup as a crime in itself.

Under existing laws, captured coup plotters and participants are charged with rebellion or mutiny before civilian courts and military tribunals.

The passage of the house bill came as a two-week-old military alert against a new coup attempt continued following a wave of bombings by suspected followers of rebel leader Gregorio Honasan, a dismissed army colonel who led the December putsch.

At least 119 people were killed and more than 500 wounded in the uprising, the sixth and bloodiest since Mrs. Aquino was installed in power by a 1986 military-civilian revolt against strongman Ferdinand Marcos.

A presidential commission probing the coup attempts issued a report Tuesday calling for stronger punishment of coup plotters and the enactment of laws insulating the military from politics.

The commission also called for measures to speed up the trial of arrested plotters and a review of a Supreme Court ruling allowing civilian suspects to post bail.

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OTTAWA (AUG. 29) - The Free Trade Agreement (FTA) between Ottawa and Washington has had no significant effect on direct Japanese investments in Canada, according to a report recently published by the Canada-Japan Chamber of Commerce.

The report, titled "Japanese Direct Investment in Canada" and written by Professor Alan Rugman of the University of Toronto, analyzed the nature of direct trade between Japan and Canada.

In particular, the report focused on Japanese trade strategy in the North American continent since January 1, 1989 when the FTA went into effect.

Despite the advantages that free trade offers Japanese investors in terms of access to the U.S. market, the FTA has not resulted in increased direct Japanese investment in Canada, the report said.

Japanese investors prefer to invest directly in the United States rather than Canada, it said.

Mr. Rugman added that it was unlikely that the free trade accord would attract more Japanese investment unless the United States adopted protectionist policies aimed at discouraging Japanese penetration of U.S. markets.

Direct Japanese investments in Canada, which in 1988 amounted to 3.6 billion dollars, are far less than those in the United States (76 billion dollars) or in the European Economic Community (23.1 billion dollars.)

With one tenth of the population and gross national product of the United States, Canada should attract Japanese investment worth at least a tenth of that in the United States, Mr. Rugman said. But instead, he said, it is less than 5 percent that in the United States.

The Japanese presence is concentrated in the mining and lumber industries, as well as in certain provinces such as Ontario, British Colombia and Alberta, the report said.

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MADRID (AUG. 29) EFE - A Spanish Air Force transport plane left for

Jordan Wednesday carrying food and medical supplies to help the tens of thousands of refugees who have fled there from Iraq, officials said.

The Hercules plane took off from the Getafe air base, near Madrid, carrying a ton of powdered milk, two of medicines and first aid material as well as 85 tents, 2,500 blankets, 326 foldaway beds and 74 cots.

The aid, worth 26 million pesetas (some dlrs 260,000) has been put together by the government's Institute for Cooperation with the Arab World.

According to the institute's director, Mariano Alonso-Buron, the supplies will be handed over to Jordanian authorities and probably distributed through the International Red Cross.

Alonso-Buron, who left for Jordan on the Hercules plane, told reporters that the aircraft would also be used during five days to help lift some of the refugees, the majority Egptian, out of Jordan.

But the institute's director said he doubted that any of the Spaniards living in Amman would also be evacuated as the community there +is small and the situation in that country is not worrying+.

Tens of thousands of people have flooded into Jordan from Iraq since Baghdad invaded Kuwait August 2.

Most of them are in camps close to the Jordan-Iraq border, where living and sanitary conditions are reported to be very poor.

The Jordanian government has asked for foreign aid to help deal with the deluge of refugees and has also called on the United Nations to draw up an economic aid programme to help it compensate for losses incurred through backing a U.N. embargo against Iraq, one of its main trading partners.

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#90241e0030 08/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

QUITO (AUG 29) EFE - The Ecuadorean Supreme Court Wednesday threw out an embezzlement charge against former president Leon Febres Cordero, ruling that Febres Cordero's 1985 withdrawal of dlrs 150,000 in cash from the Central Bank was legal.

The court rejected prosecutors' claims that Febres Cordero had embezzled public funds when he ordered the Central Bank to give him the money.

The former president, of the conservative Social Christian Party, had said he used the money to pay for the services of Israeli counter-insurgency expert Ram Gazit.

Also cleared was Febres Cordero's son-in-law and personal secretary during his 1984-1988 term, Miguel Orellana, who had been involved in the cash transfer.

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#90241e0038 08/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (AUG 29) EFE - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev met Wednesday with Boris Yeltsin, his long-time adversary and the president of the Russian Federation, to discuss a program of drastic reforms aimed at reviving the faltering Soviet economy.

"Both Yeltsin and Gorbachev indicated during a break in the talks they were very satisfied with their progress," said newly- appointed Kremlin spokesman Vitaly Ignatenko.

Nearly all 50 items on the agenda of the all-day meeting were related to the efforts by an ad hoc task force of specialists to draw up a plan for easing the shortages and disruptions caused by the government's attempts to introduce a regulated market economy.

The team is comparing proposals for cautious, go-slow reforms put forward by Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzkhov, and more far-reaching and potentially disruptive measures advocated by Yeltsin.

Interviewed with Yeltsin on Soviet television after their talks, Gorbachev said that the job of reconciling the two programs would be finished within a week and the single reform package would be imediately submitted for ratification by the 15 Soviet Republics.

Yeltsin has threatened to put his so-called "500 Days" reform program into effect in the Russian Federation, the Soviet Union's most populous and industrially-powerful republic, even if the rest of the country fails to follow suit.

Observers said the creation of the study group seemed to indicate that Gorbachev has effectively come round to Yeltsin's point of view that the economy is in such bad shape that extensive, free-market reforms cannot be put off any longer.

"Our leaders are determined to stabilize the situation and use their powers to defend the new economic policy, the construction of a new federation and to defend perestroika itself," Ignatenko said.

Both leaders during the television interview reaffirmed their willingness to work together to help the Soviet Union weather the economic crisis, and downplayed a recent tiff over the sale of Siberian diamonds to South Africa.

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#90241e0039 08/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
BOGOTA (AUG 29) EFE - Colombia's most radical leftist guerrilla group, the pro-Cuban National Liberation Army (ELN), announced Wednesday it was ready to begin peace talks with the government.

In a press release, the ELN said it was willing to start a dialogue with the government of President Cesar Gaviria aimed at ending its 23-year-old insurgency.

Led by former Spanish priest Manuel Perez, the ELN is best known for a four-year bombing campaign directed at Colombia's main oil pipeline.

It has targeted the pipeline some 120 times, causing more than dlrs 321 million in damages, in an effort to prevent what it claims is the theft of Colombian resources by multinational corporations.

ELN rebels have also kidnapped dozens of people, including a Colombian senator and two Americans in February.

The statement Wednesday went on to say the ELN would assume leadership of the Simon Bolivar Guerrilla Coordinator (CNGSB), which groups Colombia's rebel organizations, in talks with the government.

Of the six guerrilla groups that founded the CNGSB in 1987, all but the ELN had agreed at least in principle to peace negotiations with the government of former president Virgilio Barco.

Peace talks with Barco's government led to the conversion of the M-19 guerrilla group into a political party earlier this year.

The Maoist "People's Liberation Army," pro-Indian Quintin Lame and the Trotskyist "Workers' Revolutionary Party" have also begun the peace process.

During the final months of the Barco administration and the first days of Gaviria's presidency, FARC said it wanted to open direct talks with the government but has rejected the precondition of a cease-fire.

The communist Colombian Revolutionary Armed Forces (FARC) had headed the CNGSB until the death of the group's spokesman, Jacobo Arenas, on August 10.

Analysts said the ELN decision to seek a dialogue was probably aimed at participating in a National Assembly that will reform Colombia's constitution next year.

Gaviria last week called elections for December 9 to choose 70 delegates to the constitutional convention.

He said members of armed guerrilla groups would not be allowed to seek the positions, but said disbanded rebel units or groups that were involved in demobilization talks could put up candidates.

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#90241f1901 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 29) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	76.25	76.25	75.75	76.07	76.65
Dec	74.30	74.40	74.05	74.27	74.60
Feb	73.90	74.10	73.82	73.92	74.15
Apr	74.85	75.17	74.85	75.02	75.15
Jun	73.00	73.25	73.00	73.10	73.30
Aug	71.60	71.70	71.40	71.40	71.60
Oct	71.80	71.80	71.60	71.60	71.77

Est. sales 15,866 contracts; Tuesday 9,179; open interest 68,311 up 339.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	88.62	88.80	88.55	88.77	88.57
Sep	86.05	86.10	85.52	86.07	86.15
Oct	84.70	84.80	84.20	84.75	84.80
Nov	84.65	84.85	84.30	84.82	84.85
Jan	84.10	84.35	84.05	84.35	84.45
Mar	82.70	83.22	82.70	83.15	82.95
Apr	82.05	82.30	82.02	82.27	82.25
May	81.40	81.40	81.20	81.25	81.45

Est. sales 1,700 contracts; Tuesday 1,798; open interest 11,666 off 105.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	48.55	48.82	48.22	48.82	48.45
Dec	49.70	50.15	49.50	49.95	49.70
Feb	47.67	47.97	47.45	47.95	47.77
Apr	44.82	44.90	44.70	44.87	44.82
Jun	48.95	49.05	48.90	48.97	48.95
Jly	49.20	49.20	49.00	49.17	49.17
Aug	47.85	48.00	47.85	48.00	47.80
Oct	43.90	44.05	43.90	43.95	43.90

Est. sales 4,895 contracts; Tuesday 5,133; open interest 27,638 off 55.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	51.70	52.90	51.70	52.60	52.37
Mar	51.65	52.75	51.65	52.52	52.30

May 52.50 53.60 52.30 53.20 52.85
Jly .... 53.80 52.90 53.20 53.20 Est. sales 2,955 contracts; Tuesday 2,426; open interest 5,740 up 66.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 120.52 down 20 cents, 700-850 lbs. 119.77 down 38 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 114.62 down 21 cents, 700-850 lbs. 114.69 down 16 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; loins 14-18 lbs. 120.00; butts 4-8 lbs. 78.50; hams 20-26 lbs. 90.00-91.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 37.00, 14-16 lbs. 42.00, 16-18 lbs. 41.00, 20-25 lbs. 39.00.

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#90241f1902 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 385.81 off 4.00.

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#90241h0111 08/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (AUG. 29) XINHUA - POPE JOHN 11 WILL START HIS FIVE-DAY TOUR OF TANZANIA ON SATURDAY AT THE INVITATION OF PRESIDENT ALI HASSAN MWINYI AND THE TANZANIA EPISCOPAL CONFERENCE.

THE WORLD SPIRITUAL LEADER OF CATHOLICS IS EXPECTED TO VISIT THE TANZANIAN CAPITAL CITY OF DAR ES SALAAM AND FOUR OTHER REGIONS IN THE EAST AFRICAN COUNTRY.

THIS WILL BE THE FIRST TIME FOR A POPE TO VISIT TANZANIA. PREPA- RATIONS HAVE BEEN GOING ON FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. THE ROADS IN THE CITY ARE BEING CLEANED AND THE CLERGYMEN ARE BUSY FINALISING THEIR JOBS.

PRESIDENT MWINYI, WHO IS A MUSLIM HIMSELF, TOOK PART IN THE PREPARATIONS AND HAS DONATED SOME MONEY FOR THE VISIT. HE SAID RECENTLY THAT TANZANIA'S POLITICAL STABILITY IN THE PAST YEARS DEPENDED ON UNITY BETWEEN THE COUNTRY'S TWO MAJOR RELIGIONS: MOSLEM AND CATHOLIC, WHICH HAS BEEN HIGHLY PRAISED BY THE OUTSIDERS.

THE POPE'S AFRICAN TOUR WILL ALSO INCLUDE BURUNDI, RWANDA AND COTE

DIVOIRE. THIS IS HIS SEVENTH VISIT TO AFRICA SINCE HE WAS ELECTED TO THE PAPACY IN OCTOBER, 1978.

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#90241h0139 08/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WINDHOEK (AUG. 29) XINHUA - THE NAMIBIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY THAT ZIMBABWE IS THE FIRST COUNTRY THAT HAS RESPONDED POSITIVELY TO THE NAMIBIAN VISA EXEMPTION REQUIREMENT.

THE MINISTRY SAID IN A PRESS RELEASE THAT ON JUNE 14 THE NAMIBIAN GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED THAT THE CITIZENS OF MORE THAN 20 COUNTRIES WOULD BE EXEMPTED FROM VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRY TO NAMIBIA FOR TOURIST AND BUSINESS TRAVEL.

AMONG THE LISTED COUNTRIES SIX ARE FROM AFRICA. THEY ARE ANGOLA, BOTSWANA MOZAMBIQUE, TANZANIA, ZAMBIA AND ZIMBABWE. OTHERS INCLUDE AUSTRIA, BELGIUM, BRITAIN, FEDERAL GERMANY, FRANCE, HOLLAND, IRELAND, ITALY, LUXEMBOURG, SWITZERLAND, THE SOVIET UNION, CANADA AND JAPAN.

THE NAMIBIAN GOVERNMENT REQUESTED THESE COUNTRIES TO FACILITATE SIMILAR VISA EXEMPTIONS FOR NAMIBIAN TOURIST AND BUSINESS TRA- VELLERS TO THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES.

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#90241h0148 08/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANAGUA (AUG. 29) XINHUA - THE HEAD OF HONDURAN ARMED FORCES, BRIG. GEN. ARNULFO CANTARERO LOPEZ, DESCRIBED HIS MEETING WITH NICARAGUAN PRESIDENT VIOLETA BARRIOS DE CHAMORRO TUESDAY AS "HISTORICAL."

IN A BRIEF STATEMENT TO THE PRESS, CANTARERO SAID HE WAS SATISFIED WITH HIS VISIT WHICH "MARKED THE BEGINNING OF A NEW ERA BETWEEN THE TWO SISTER REPUBLICS."

"THE TALKS HAVE BEEN FRUITFUL AND WE ARE GOING TO REACH AN UNDERSTANDING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER TO SETTLE SOME FRICTION WE HAVE HAD IN THE RECENT PAST," HE SAID.

DURING HIS ONE-DAY VISIT, THE HONDURAN MILITARY HEAD ALSO MET WITH GEN. HUMBERTO ORTEGA, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE SANDINISTA ARMY, TO DISCUSS "DIFFERENT TOPICS OF COMMON INTEREST."

HUMBERTO ORTEGA ALSO EXPRESSED SATISFACTION AT THE OUTCOME OF THE MEETING WITH HIS HONDURAN COUNTERPART. HE ANNOUNCED THAT NICARAGUA AND HONDURAS ARE GOING TO ESTABLISH DIFFERENT MECHANISMS THAT WILL ALLOW THE TWO COUNTRIES TO GRADUATELY STRENGTHEN THEIR TIES.

#90241k0012 08/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 29) KYODO - THE TIMBER-RICH MALAYSIAN STATE OF SABAH IN BORNEO WILL NOT BAN THE EXPORT OF LOGS, THE BULK OF WHICH GOES TO JAPAN UNLESS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS WILLING TO COMPENSATE IT FOR THE SUBSTANTIAL LOSS IN STATE REVENUE, SABAH CHIEF MINISTER JOSEPH PAIRIN KITINGAN SAID, ACCORDING TO LOCAL NEWSPAPERS WEDNESDAY.

KUALA LUMPUR IMPOSED A BAN BEGINNING THIS YEAR ON EXPORTS OF TROPICAL HARDWOOD LOGS FROM PENINSULAR MALAYSIA IN THE FACE OF RISING CRITICISM FROM INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTALISTS THAT MALAYSIA IS HARMING THE GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT BY INDISCRIMINATE LOGGING OF ITS VAST TROPICAL FORESTS.

BUT THE STATES OF SABAH AND SARAWAK, AMONG THE WORLD'S LARGEST TROPICAL TIMBER PRODUCERS AND ACCOUNTING FOR 90 PERCENT OF MALAYSIA'S LOG EXPORTS, MAINLY TO JAPAN, COULD NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE BAN BECAUSE FORESTRY IS UNDER STATE AND NOT FEDERAL JURISDICTION.

''THE LOSS IN STATE REVENUE FROM AN OUTRIGHT BAN ON LOG EXPORTS WILL BE UNTENABLE UNLESS COMPENSATED IN SOME FORM BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT,'' PAIRIN SAID IN KOTA KINABALU, THE CAPITAL OF SABAH.

ACCORDING TO PAIRIN, THE FORESTRY SECTOR ACCOUNTED FOR OVER 50 PERCENT OF THE STATE REVENUES BETWEEN 1980 AND 1988 AND LOG ROYALTIES FORMED 95 PERCENT OF THIS INCOME.

''IN ABSOLUTE TERMS, LOG EXPORT ROYALTIES PEAKED IN 1980 AND AGAIN IN 1988 AT SLIGHTLY OVER ONE BILLION RINGGIT AND AVERAGED 726 MILLION RINGGIT PER YEAR BETWEEN 1971 AND 1987,'' HE SAID, THE NEWSPAPERS REPORTED.

PRIMARY INDUSTRIES MINISTER LIM KENG YAIK HAS ALREADY INDICATED THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS WILLING TO DISCUSS SOME SORT OF COMPENSATION, BUT TIMBER INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS BALKING AT THE AMOUNT.

''THE FORM OF COMPENSATION HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED BUT WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE FORMULA,'' PAIRIN WAS QUOTED AS SAYING.

PAIRIN, HOWEVER, SAID THE STATE GOVERNMENT WAS IN FAVOR OF A PHASED REDUCTION OF LOG EXPORTS AND THIS POLICY WAS MANIFESTED IN RECENT CHANGES IN ROYALTIES ON LOG EXPORTS.

LOG ROYALTY RATES HAVE BEEN REVISED UPWARD IN STAGES FROM JANUARY 1 THIS YEAR.

''TO COMPLEMENT THIS MOVE TO REDUCE THE VOLUME OF LOG EXPORTS, THE STATE GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO FORMULATED OTHER MEASURES TO CREATE MORE OPPORTUNITIES

AND ORDERLY DEVELOPMENT OF DOWNSTREAM WOOD INDUSTRIES,'' HE SAID.

LAST YEAR, SABAH EXPORTED 1.67 BILLION RINGGIT WORTH OF LOGS, 38.9 PERCENT OF THE 4.3 BILLION RINGGIT LOG EXPORTS FROM MALAYSIA.

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#90241k0024 08/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 29) KYODO - NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. (NTT) SAID THURSDAY IT HAS DEVELOPED WHAT IT CLAIMED TO BE THE FIRST ELECTRON MICROSCOPE THAT CAN OBSERVE AND ENLARGE IN REAL-TIME THE UNEVEN LAYERS OF ATOMS IN CRYSTALLINE STRUCTURES THAT MAKE UP MULTI-MATERIAL-BASED SEMICONDUCTORS.

NTT OFFICIALS SAID THE NEW ELECTRON MICROSCOPE WILL OPEN THE DOORS FOR SCIENTISTS TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE BASIC ELEMENTS OF SEMICONDUCTORS COMPOSED OF DIFFERENT MATERIALS.

IT WILL ALSO ENABLE THEM TO DEVELOP NEW TECHNIQUES TO BE USED FOR FABRICATING NEXT-GENERATION CHIPS THAT WILL BE REQUIRED IN THE 21ST CENTURY, THEY ADDED.

THE NEW ELECTRON MICROSCOPE HAS A MAXIMUM HIGH DEFINITION RESOLUTION OF 30 NANOMETERS. A NANOMETER IS EQUAL TO ONE-BILLIONTH OF A METER.

NTT OFFICIALS SAID THE HIGH RESOLUTION ABILITY OF THE ELECTRON MICROSCOPE ENABLES PICTURES TO BE TAKEN EVERY SECOND.

NTT PRESENTED ITS NEW DISCOVERY AT AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE HELD IN SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, TUESDAY.

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#90241k0025 08/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 29) KYODO - BANK OF JAPAN (BOJ) GOVERNOR YASUSHI MIENO ON WEDNESDAY DENIED PRESS REPORTS OF AN IMMINENT OFFICIAL DISCOUNT RATE HIKE, SAYING THERE WERE NO TALKS WITH THE FINANCE MINISTRY ON THE ISSUE.

THE CENTRAL BANK IS KEEPING CLOSE WATCH ON DOMESTIC AND EXTERNAL DEVELOPMENTS IN LIGHT OF THE CURRENT UNCERTAINTY OVER THE TIGHT MIDDLE EAST SITUATION AND THE SURGE IN CRUDE OIL PRICES, MIENO TOLD HIS FIRST PRESS CONFERENCE IN ONE-AND-A-HALF MONTHS.

THE SITUATION IN THE UNITED STATES AND OTHER COUNTRIES IS ALWAYS KEPT IN MIND IN CONSIDERING JAPAN'S FINANCIAL POLICY, MIENO STRESSED. HE REITERATED THAT THERE IS NO BASIC CHANGE IN JAPAN'S FINANCIAL POLICY.

THE CENTRAL BANK CHIEF SAID PRICES IN JAPAN REMAIN STABLE. BUT HE ALSO

POINTED TO THE TIGHT LABOR MARKET AND THE HIGH RATE OF GROWTH IN THE MONEY SUPPLY, CITING THEM AS POTENTIAL TRIGGERS FOR PRICE INCREASES.

CRUDE OIL PRICE HIKES, SPARKED BY THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS, ARE ALSO A MAJOR INFLATIONARY FACTOR, HE SAID.

REGARDING THE CURRENT MOVES ON FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKETS, MIENO SAID THE RATES CONTINUE TO BE VOLATILE DUE BOTH TO BUYING OF THE U.S. DOLLAR AT A TIME OF INTERNATIONAL CRISIS AND YEN-BUYING PRESSURE BASED ON JAPAN'S CONTINUING ECONOMIC BOOM AND STRONG FUNDAMENTALS.

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#90241k0085 08/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 29) KYODO - IMPORT CONTRACTS BY 18 MAJOR JAPANESE TRADING FIRMS JUMPED 45.2 PERCENT TO 1,493.4 BILLION YEN IN JULY FROM THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR, WHILE EXPORT CONTRACTS ROSE 10.6 PERCENT TO 1,061.0 BILLION YEN, ACCORDING TO A REPORT ISSUED WEDNESDAY BY A TRADE INDUSTRY COUNCIL.

THE JULY JUMP IN IMPORTS IS ATTRIBUTABLE MAINLY TO A 47 PERCENT CLIMB IN CONTRACTS ON METALS, WHILE CONTRACTS FOR MACHINERY, WHICH ROSE 11.4 PERCENT, RESULTED IN THE INCREASE IN EXPORTS, THE JAPAN FOREIGN TRADE COUNCIL SAID.

IMPORTS OF IRON ORE ROSE 2.6 TIMES WHILE THOSE OF COAL SOARED 5.7 TIMES. FUEL IMPORTS WERE 33.3 PERCENT HIGHER, WHILE MACHINERY IMPORTS ROSE 55.6 PERCENT.

EXPORTS OF SHIPS ROSE NEARLY 5.4 TIMES, WHILE THOSE OF MACHINERY ROSE 11.4 PERCENT. AUTOMOBILES SHOWED A 15.3 PERCENT GAIN.

THE REPORT SAID THAT PACING JULY'S INCREASE IN CONTRACTED EXPORTS WAS MACHINERY SUCH AS VESSELS AND MOTOR VEHICLES.

MACHINERY EXPORTS TO SOUTHEAST ASIA IN PARTICULAR HAVE BEEN LEADING OVERALL EXPORTS SINCE FEBRUARY, THE COUNCIL SAID.

EXPORTS OF TELEVISION SET COMPONENTS TO CHINA RECOVERED AHEAD OF THE ASIAN GAMES.

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#90241k0100 08/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (AUG. 29) KYODO - ITOMAN AND CO., A LONG-ESTABLISHED TRADING COMPANY, SAID WEDNESDAY IT WILL SET UP A JOINT VENTURE WITH A LEADING SOUTH KOREAN TRADING HOUSE IN JAPAN LATER THIS YEAR.

THE VENTURE TO BE ESTABLISHED BY ITOMAN AND DAEWOO CORP. WILL SPECIALIZE IN REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE IN TEXTILE MATERIALS, FOODSTUFFS, AND ELECTRONIC MACHINERY AND TOOLS.

THE NEW VENTURE, MI DAEWOO CO., WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 60 MILLION YEN, WITH A HEAD OFFICE IN OSAKA, AN ITOMAN SPOKESMAN SAID.

MI DAEWOO IS EXPECTED TO HANDLE TRADE BETWEEN JAPAN AND SOUTHEAST ASIA, CHINA, AND THE SOVIET UNION, AS WELL AS TRADE BETWEEN JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA.

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GOLF COURSE IN SHIGA PREFECTURE, WESTERN JAPAN, WILL BE THE COMPANY'S FIRST PROJECT, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

ITOMAN AND DAEWOO WILL EACH OWN ONE-THIRD OF THE JOINT VENTURE, WITH THE REMAINING THIRD TO BE CONTROLLED BY OTHER INTERESTS, SUCH AS JAPANESE AND SOUTH KOREAN BANKS.

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#90241k0101 08/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 29) KYODO - JAPAN'S STEEL EXPORTS FELL 14.5 PERCENT IN JULY FROM A YEAR BEFORE TO 1,441,000 TONS AS SHIPMENTS TO MOST MAJOR MARKETS DECLINED SHARPLY, AN INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION REPORTED WEDNESDAY.

EXPORTS TO THE SOVIET UNION PLUNGED 85.2 PERCENT TO 13,000 TONS AND THOSE TO CHINA FELL 49.5 PERCENT, THE JAPAN IRON AND STEEL FEDERATION SAID.

EXPORTS TO TAIWAN ALSO DECLINED 19.9 PERCENT TO 138,000 TONS, TO THE UNITED STATES 12.9 PERCENT TO 287,000 TONS, AND TO SOUTH KOREA 1.0 PERCENT TO 145,000 TONS.

THE REPORT SAID THAT EXPORTS TO THE SOVIET UNION AND CHINA FROM JANUARY TO JULY SANK MORE THAN 60 PERCENT FROM THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

IMPORTS OF ORDINARY STEEL FELL 20.2 PERCENT LAST MONTH FROM JULY 1989 TO 414,000 TONS, THE FEDERATION SAID.

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#90241k0108 08/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NAGOYA (AUG. 29) KYODO - TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. SAID WEDNESDAY IT WILL INCREASE ITS AUTHORIZED CAPITAL STOCK TO 10 BILLION SHARES WORTH 500 BILLION YEN IN FACE VALUE FROM THE PRESENT SIX BILLION SHARES OR 300 BILLION YEN TO HELP FINANCE ITS INCREASINGLY DIVERSIFIED OPERATIONS.

THIS WILL BE PART OF A REVISION OF TOYOTA'S ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION DESIGNED TO ALLOW IT TO EXPAND INTO NEW BUSINESSES SUCH AS PRODUCTION AND

MARKETING OF AIRCRAFT AND AEROSPACE EQUIPMENT.

THE REVISION WILL BE FORMALLY APPROVED AT A GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING SEPTEMBER 26, THE COMPANY SAID.

OFFICIALS SAID THE COMPANY WILL ALSO EXPAND INTO MEDICAL AND INFORMATION EQUIPMENT, CERAMICS, AND LEISURE FACILITIES. OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY THAT THE COMPANY'S FINANCE SUBSIDIARY WILL ALSO BE EXPANDED INTO A CONSUMER-ORIENTED OPERATION.

SHOICHIRO TOYODA, PRESIDENT OF THE TOP JAPANESE AUTOMAKER, SAID HE IS NOT CONSIDERING ISSUING NEW SHARES FOR THE PRESENT BUT THE REVISION WILL PAVE THE WAY FOR THE COMPANY TO INCREASE ITS CAPITAL IN THE FUTURE.

TOYOTA'S OUSTANDING STOCK STOOD AT 3.06 BILLION SHARES AT THE END OF JULY.

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#90241k0110 08/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (AUG. 29) KYODO - KOBE STEEL LTD. SAID WEDNESDAY IT WILL ESTABLISH A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY IN ALMERE, THE NETHERLANDS, IN MID-SEPTEMBER TO SELL CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY.

THE SUBSIDIARY, KOBELCO CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY (EUROPE) B.V., WILL BE KOBE'S FIRST EUROPEAN AFFILIATE. IT IS AIMED AT GETTING A FOOTHOLD IN EUROPE, WHERE OTHER MAJOR JAPANESE CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY MAKERS ARE ALREADY OPERATING, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE NEW FIRM, TO BE INITIALLY MANAGED BY A STAFF OF SEVEN, WILL SELL KOBE STEEL'S CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY IN NOT ONLY THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY BUT ALSO EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, THE OFFICIALS ADDED.

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#90241k0117 08/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

COLOMBO (AUG. 29) KYODO - SRI LANKAN PRESIDENT RANASINGHE PREMADASA ANNOUNCED TUESDAY THAT THE COUNTRY'S STATE OF EMERGENCY WILL BE LIFTED AT THE END OF 1990.

THE PRESIDENT, ADDRESSING OFFICIALS AND PEOPLE'S REPRESENTATIVES IN THE TOWN OF MONERAGALA IN SOUTHERN SRI LANKA, SAID HE WAS CONFIDENT PEACE AND NORMALCY WOULD RETURN TO THE NORTHEAST PROVINCES OF THE ISLAND WHERE TAMIL REBELS HAVE BEEN BATTLING GOVERNMENT FORCES SINCE JUNE 11.

THE REBELS, FROM THE LIBERATION TIGERS OF TAMIL EELAM (LTTE), HAVE REFUSED TO LAY DOWN ARMS AND NEGOTIATE WITH THE GOVERNMENT TO RESOLVE THE TAMIL'S DEMAND FOR SUBSTANTIAL AUTONOMY FOR THE NORTHEAST REGION WHICH THEY CLAIM AS THEIR TRADITIONAL HOMELAND. TAMILS MAKE UP 16 PERCENT OF THE COUNTRY'S

POPULATION.

THE STATE OF EMERGENCY WAS LIFTED WHEN PRESIDENT PREMADASA TOOK OFFICE IN JANUARY 1989, BUT WAS REINTRODUCED TO CURB A MILITANT MAJORITY SINHALA INSURGENCY IN THE SOUTH BY THE JANATHA VIMUKTI PERAMUNA (JVP) OR THE PEOPLE'S LIBERATION FRONT.

LATE LAST YEAR THE JVP LEADERSHIP AND ALMOST ALL ITS SECOND RANKERS WERE ELIMINATED BY THE SECURITY FORCES.

HOWEVER, THE STATE OF EMERGENCY WAS EXTENDED EVERY MONTH IN VIEW OF THE UNSETTLED SECURITY SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY.

THE GOVERNMENT LAUNCHED A MAJOR OFFENSIVE ON THE NORTHERN JAFFNA PENINSULA A TAMIL TIGERS STRONGHOLD, ON AUGUST 22 AND STATE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE RANJAN WIJERATNE SAYS HE IS CONFIDENT HE WILL ''BE ABLE TO WIPE OUT THE LTTE.''

POLITICAL ANALYSTS, HOWEVER, PREDICT A LONG AND PROTRACTED WAR.

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TOKYO (AUG. 29) KYODO - OKI ELECTRIC INDUSTRY CO. SAID WEDNESDAY IT HAS COMPLETED THE PURCHASE OF THE DATA MACHINERY AND TOOLS DIVISION OF A BRITISH FIRM SPECIALIZING IN THE SALE OF INFORMATION MACHINERY AND TOOLS.

THE LEADING MANUFACTURER OF COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT SAID TECHNITRON PLC WILL BE ABSORBED INTO THE FIRM'S BRITISH SUBSIDIARY, OKI EUROPE LTD. (OEL) A COMPANY SPOKESMAN SAID.

TECHNITRON'S SALES SUBSIDIARY, WHICH HAS OPERATIONS IN BRITAIN, THE NETHERLANDS, ITALY, AND FOUR OTHER EUROPEAN NATIONS, ALSO WILL BECOME AN OEL SUBSIDIARY.

OKI ELECTRIC PLANS TO CHANGE THE SALES SUBSIDIARY'S NAME TO OKI SYSTEMS.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG 29) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that the index of leading indicators for July were unchanged versus a 0.1 rise in June. Economists were expecting

a decline of 0.2%.

World stock markets are generally lower. ... The Nikkei loses 816 points on speculation that the discount rate will be hiked ... London stocks unchanged at midday after opening weaker. ... Overseas trading in U.S. stocks is weak, prices are flat to down slightly. ... North Sea crude is down $.67 to $25.95 a barrel as OPEC ministers meeting in Vienna announced this morning that they have agreed to increase oil production although Iran voiced reservations. ... U.S. bond prices move higher overseas. ... The UAW names GENERAL MOTORS as its target company for negotiating a pattern-setting national labor contract to replace a three-year accord that expires Sept. 14. A union priority in the talks is job security. ... MICHAEL STEINHARDT, a New York money manager, and his investment group say they have increased their stake in USAIR to 9.46%. ... CONTINENTAL AIRLINES says it will build its $190 million aircraft maintenance center and a world headquarters complex in Houston.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT releases single family home sales for July at 10 a.m. EDT. ... NEXT INC. plans to introduce a series of products next month in its latest attempt to become a major player in the computer market. ... MGM GRAND plans to sell its DESERT INN HOTEL AND CASINO. The property has attracted investors in the Far East and is expected to fetch at least $200 million.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I like the way the market performed [Tuesday] at that 2600 area," says EUGENE PERONI JR. of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT. "I think that might be a secondary pivot area now." He says swings should be contained in the 2500 to 2760 range. "We would have to get above 2770 to finish this correction and to begin a new upleg to rechallenge the highs." He says the market went down further than he had expected, but that may be good because it has increased the bearishness in the market keeping investors off guard and protecting the market from being broadsided by any bad news. "I am encouraged here that we could have made an important bottom and could have presented a new buying opportunity for an important upleg over the next six months or so. But for now I think we have to do some more backing and filling basing activity before that begins." (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/28)

FROM THE BEARS:

"If the relief rally should continue, it would be a further opportunity to move away from the market," says STEVEN EINHORN, portfolio strategist at GOLDMAN SACHS. "Now is a time to raise cash into any rallies rather than invest into them." He urges his investors to resist the temptation to fish for bargains. Even without Iraq, he says, the market lacks appeal

for several reasons. He expects 1991 earnings will be flat, with a slight upturn in profits coming no sooner than the 1991 third quarter. (WSJ, 8/29)

"The stock market is showing all the signs that it's nearing the end of a bounce from an oversold condition," says market analyst CHRISTINE CALLIES of COWEN & CO. in Boston. "Breadth has been good, but volume has been unimpressive. That tells us the rally is probably unsustainable. Our feeling is the oversold bounce will probably end between Dow 2620 and 2655." Callies expects the Dow to decline and retest the upper-2400 area, and this process could take eight weeks or more. ("Investor's Daily", 8/29)

STOCK MARKET:

"We're in a settling period," says KIDDER, PEABODY's DENNIS JARRETT. "After all the excitement the last three weeks, we've reached a point of equilibrium. Buyers and sellers are standing there saying there is no reason to do anything." ("USA Today", 8/29)

"After two big up days, the market responded pretty well," says PAUL HENNESSEY, head of equities trading at the BOSTON CO. "The low volume indicates a lot of people are either away or cautious, awaiting more certainty on the Mideast situation or economic numbers." KEN KNUTEL, equities strategist at KEMPER FINANCIAL SERVICES, was also encouraged by the stability of Tuesday's market despite the Bush administration's saying there isn't any basis for negotiation with Iraq. (WSJ, 8/29)

"I guess there's hope out there that we're coming closer to some sort of a breakthrough on the Mideast situation," says RON DORAN, director of institutional trading at C.L. KING & ASSOCIATES, explaining the spate of last-minute buying that nudged the blue chips slightly higher at the end of Tuesday's trading. "If this thing gets defused, there will be an upturn, and they don't want to miss it." He adds, "We're back to a neutral zone where [the market] could break either way, depending on the news in the Middle East." (Reuters, 8/28 and "The Washington Post", 8/29)

"I suspect that before this is over we will see the market down below the 2500 again," says ROBERT STOVALL, president of STOVALL/TWENTY- FIRST ADVISERS. He had expected more selling on Tuesday and expects to see increased selling Wednesday and Thursday leading in to a "Friday faint" as we have seen on previous Fridays. (CNBC "Business View", 8/28)

The market is "marking time" according to MONTE GORDON, director of research at DREYFUS CORP. "Right now, [investors] are a little bit more favorably inclined in terms of their fears" about the Middle East situation. He says the market direction will change with each little development in the Middle East. Mr. Gordon says that this market can't

really be predicted using normal technical or fundamental measures. "What you are looking at here is a market that is tip toeing through the tulips very gingerly and very carefully and constantly looking over its shoulder at what may 2 happen" in the Middle East. "If you do see tensions ease in the Persian Gulf then you will see the market slowly begin to work its way back up." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/28)

"Right now the market has got a lull, and it has really capitalized on that with no real news coming out of the Middle East," says JEFF LANDLE, portfolio manager at STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. WILLIAM BAKER, portfolio manager at OPPENHEIMER FUND MANAGEMENT, says, "I think basically where we are is we found an intermediate low, and we are going to bounce around here trying to figure out what's going on." His portfolio is one third stocks and two thirds cash and short-term bonds. "Basically what I am doing is still girding for more of a recession and a softer economy than we have had." (CNBC "Business View", 8/28)

Since July 16, OTC prices are down 19% compared to a 12.5% decline in the Dow. "There's been sort of a sell everything mentality," says MITCHELL MEISLER at LEHMAN BROTHERS. Liquidity is also a problem. BETH COTNER, a portfolio manager for KEMPER who specializes in small stocks, says she often has to take a point below quote just to get out: "Liquidity in the over-the-counter-market has always been a problem ... where you have panic selling, its even worse." (CNN "Business Day", 8/29)

STOCK TIPS:

EUGENE PERONI JR. of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT recommends two high technology stocks "because I feel that is going to be one of the better performing sectors now." VISHAY INTERTECH was hard hit, but is showing good relative strength for a turnaround company in a speciality area. It closed yesterday at 15 3/4 and Peroni sees good potential for a move to 19 short term. "They are at the top of their field." Peroni also likes MOTOROLA which had a very nice bottoming configuration recently and good turnaround potential to move back into the mid to high 70s over the short term, and longer term the stock could make new highs. "It is an important stock to look to for leadership over the next six months." The stock closed Tuesday at 72 1/8. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/28)

The OHIO CO. recommends buying stock in WALGREEN CO., a leading drugstore chain that has 1,500 stores in 29 states. The companies per share earnings should grow 15% in fiscal 1991 due to the opening of 120 drugstores this year and an improved computer system for its stores and distribution centers which will boost its already "exceptional" store productivity. ("USA Today", 8/29)

Post-Iraq insider stock transactions are previewed by CNN's DAN DORFMAN. Top brass has been buying stock at ALEXANDER & BALDWIN, MELLON BANK,

COMPUTER FACTORY, AMCAST INDUSTRIAL, CABOT and PNC FINANCIAL. Other insider purchases have been strong at HILTON, DAYTON HUDSON, PRIMARK and rumored takeover target BOISE CASCADE. (CNN "Moneyline", 7/28)

When the market goes back down there are a number of manufacturing stocks that hit new lows last Thursday that one should look at, says ROBERT STOVALL, president of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. "I suggest people try to save the new low list of last Thursday which had several hundred stocks on it. Some of them are pretty good." These good stocks include CORNING, TIME-WARNER and EMERSON ELECTRIC. (CNBC "Business View", 8/28)

"We recommended to cut back on the [paper] stocks in June 1988, and warned people in July 1989 that paper company earnings in 1990 would be down 30% to 40%," says GEORGE ADLER, an analyst at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM. "The paper industry has for all intents and purposes been in a recession since mid-1989." Adler adds that "it looks like late 1991" before earnings of the companies can turnaround. Adler has an avoid rating on GEORGIA-PACIFIC, but does like a few value- added specialty papers like WESTVACO on which he has a buy rating. ("USA Today", 8/29)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"Nothing has happened [in the Persian Gulf] so far, so the [currency] market is beginning to think it is less of a concern," says LINDA McLAUGHLIN, a currency trader at CHEMICAL NEW YORK CAPITAL MARKETS GROUP. "The market is quite comfortable not to worry." ("Investor's Daily", 8/29)

"Comments from the Swiss National Bank last week that the franc has appreciated too fast and too far continue to weigh on the Swiss franc," says BILL JANSEN, a trader with DISCOUNT CORP. (NYT, 8/29)

"For the most part, people [in the credit markets] will be waiting for the release of the August employment report on Sept. 7," says MITCHELL HELD, chief financial economist at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM & COMPANY. "And if the employment report is poor or indicative of soft economic growth and the situation in the Middle East is pretty much unchanged, I would expect the Federal Reserve will move to ease monetary policy." (NYT, 8/29)

"It was a slow, quiet, boring day" in the credit markets, says STEVEN RICCHUITO, chief economist at BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD SECURITIES INC. With few investors bidding for bonds, dealers were forced to mark prices lower.

SAMUEL KAHAN, chief economist at FUJI SECURITIES INC., agrees saying, "It was a ho-hum auction." Yields came in about as expected and the number of bids received were about average. (WSJ, 8/29)

July U.S. leading indicators and new homes sales data are due out today, but both are expected to be ignored by the credit markets. "Nothing has been able to tear the market away from its obsession with the Middle East, and I don't expect that to change until late next week," when August U.S. employment data are released, says DOUG SCHINDEWOLF, associate economist at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM & COMPANY. (Reuters, 8/29)

"Uncertainty associated with future oil supplies is still the dominant factor" in the bond market, says JOSEPH LIRO, vice president and money market economist at S.G. WARBURG SECURITIES INC. "We had a very good price bounce on Monday, but with oil prices rebounding the market couldn't do any better" than it did yesterday. (NYT, 8/29)

"If OPEC met and boosted production, it would be non-inflationary, and that could set a trend for the market," says ALLAN LESLIE, economist at DISCOUNT CORP. of New York, commenting on the chilly reception expected for today's five-year note auction. But he cautions that predictions on Mideast developments are no better than if written in sand. "This is not the type of market anyone wants to be a hero in." (Reuters, 8/28)

THE ECONOMY:

"I think there is still room for rescuing" the economy from a recession, says DR. NEAL SOSS, chief economist at FIRST BOSTON. "I think we could skirt the edge of recession, but there is still an element of nip and tuck in all of this." He believes that the consumer confidence index was so low because of the initial shock of the Kuwait invasion, but it will improve. "The real issue here is that the economy hasn't had a whole lot of forward momentum for a year now anyway and that might be what, in one sense, rescues you from an outright recession. Some of those excesses in inventories and the like aren't present." (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/28)

"We expect a recession for the U.S. economy during the fourth quarter of 1990 and the first quarter of 1991," says GEORGE ADLER, an analyst at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM. ("USA Today", 8/29)

The gap between United States imports and exports shrank 14% in the second quarter to its lowest level in six and a half years, according to a COMMERCE DEPARTMENT report released yesterday. "Oil prices are going to take some of the glow off this report because it represents the situation pre-oil shock," says JEAN SUNDRLA, an economist with the Washington forecasting firm EVANS ECONOMICS INC. "Definitely, the trade balance has been moving in the right direction, but these numbers are about to be hit hard by higher oil prices." (NYT, 8/29)

Food prices are likely to rise up to 7% this year because of a citrus freeze in Florida and disruptions in milk and red meat production, the AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT said yesterday. This is much higher than the previous 3% to 5% projection made by the department eight months ago, says food price analyst RALPH PARLETT. He adds, "The effects of higher oil prices will not be felt so much this year on food prices in the U.S., but possibly next year, depending on what happens in the Mideast in coming months. It will take time for any increase in food transportation and production costs due to fuel price rises to trickle in to the manufacturers and consumers." ("Investor's Daily", 8/29)

IN WASHINGTON:

The invasion of Kuwait and a weak economy have led to talk of a protracted debate over the clean-air bill. "All these things conspire and make it more difficult to pass clean-air legislation," says ANDY ROBART, director of legislative affairs for the environment at the EDISON ELECTRIC INSTITUTE. "My own personal belief is there will be clean-air legislation. The practical effect will be that people will take a harder look at the cost side of the equation." ("Investor's Daily", 8/28)

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Recomp Inc. president and chief executive officer, John T. Dunlop today announced that Bio-Technology Inc. a Recomp subsidiary, has commenced construction of a 100 ton per day waste processing facility to be located adjacent to Wausau Paper Mills in central Wisconsin. Financing of the facility is being provided by Zion's First National Bank in Salt Lake City.

The facility is expected to be operational by November, 1990, and will treat and process 100 tons of paper pulp sludge per day into pellets prior to being transported to the paper mill's landfill. By processing the pulp sludge into pellets, the paper mill landfill requirements are expected to be reduced by 65 percent. The processed pellets also represent a potential source of fuel. Revenues from the facility are expected to total $760,000 per year once the facility becomes operational.

Recomp, which is 83 percent owned by Salt Lake City based Bonneville Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: BPCO), is involved in waste composting and processing and is the nation's leader in composting technology. Recomp operates a composting facility in St. Cloud, Minn., with additional facilities under development in Bellingham, Wash., where it also operates a 100 ton per day municipal solid waste incinerator. Recomp also operates SuperCycle, a curbside recycling company in St. Paul, Minn.

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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Martech USA Inc. (NASDAQ: MUSA) today announced that it has been awarded marine services contracts valued at more than $3.5 million. Martech will be performing oil platform inspections in the Gulf of Mexico and inspection of a sub-surface structure off the coast of Santa Barbara, Calif.

Chevron and Texaco have contracted for Martech's services in response to government regulations that require operators to inspect oil platforms on a regular basis. Martech will be inspecting 150 platforms in the Gulf of Mexico this year.

In addition to the platform inspections in the Gulf, Martech will also be undertaking a rare decomissioning of an underwater fuel storage tank. This project for Chevron will require digging up the tank from its underwater resting place.

Martech has also been contracted by Exxon to inspect a single leg sub-surface structure off the coast of Santa Barbara, Calif. An inspection of this detail has never been done on the West Coast before. The project is a very technical, detailed and arduous inspection that is expected to last 2 months.

Martech USA provides a comprehensive range of environmental remediation services as well as specialized marine and construction services.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - C&S/Sovran Corp., in anticipation of closing the largest bank merger in U.S. history, today announced a nine-member management team and a unified organizational structure to manage a fully integrated single operating company.

C&S/Sovran Corp. is the result of the combination of The Citizens and Southern Corp. (NYSE: CTZ) of Atlanta and Sovran Financial Corp. (NYSE: SOV) of Norfolk, Va. That transaction is scheduled for completion on Saturday, Sept. 1.

The new company will be the nation's 13th largest bank holding company, measured by total assets of $50.3 billion at June 30, with more than 1,000

banking offices serving more than 5 million customers in seven Southern and Mid-Atlantic states, plus Washington, D.C.

"We set out to build a managment team and an organizational structure that emphasizes effective risk management, customer focus and operating efficiency, which together will maximize shareholder value," said Bennett A. Brown, chairman and chief executive officer of C&S/Sovran Corp. "Eleven months of transition work convinced us that we could best achieve these objectives by creating a single, fully integrated operating company."

Brown added: "We are planning to merge the C&S and Sovran holding companies into a single operating company with dual headquarters in Atlanta and Norfolk." The C&S and Sovran community banks will continue to operate under the C&S and Sovran names.

Dennis C. Bottorff, president and chief operating officer and designated successor to Brown as CEO, said the merger and the resulting organizational structure represent C&S/Sovran's response to a fast-changing, competitive environment.

Along with Brown and Bottorff, the Office of the Chairman includes Albert B. Gornto, chairman of the Executive Committee; and Hugh M. Chapman, vice chairman.

C&S/Sovran Corp.'s banking offices are in Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia, plus Washington, D.C. The C&S/Sovran factoring company is the third largest in the nation and its mortgage servicing, credit card and leasing operations rank in the top 15.

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NORWOOD, MA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Groundwater Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: GWTI) today reported its results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 that ended July 28, 1990. Gross revenues for the first quarter were $38.4 million, a new high for the company, and a 42 percent increase over the same period last year. Net revenues increased 28 percent to $27.6 million a record high for the company.

Net income for the first quarter was $2,422,000 or 30 cents per share compared to $2,565,000 or 32 cents per share in the prior year.

Ted Owens, senior vice president and chief financial officer stated, "The company's strong revenue growth in the face of an industry slowdown continues to demonstrate that Groundwater Technology, Inc. is a leader in our market niche."

As previously announced on March 27, 1990, the company has an ongoing Stock Repurchase Program authorizing the repurchase of up to 5 percent of its common stock from time to time through open market purchases.

GROUNDWATER TECHNOLOGY, INC.
Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	13 weeks ended	
	July 28, 1990	July 29, 1989-(a)
Revenue:		
Services	$35,649	$23,939
Equipment	2,748	3,089
Total	38,397	27,028
Cost of revenue:		
Services	23,818	15,310
Equipment	2,039	1,826
Total	25,857	17,136
Gross profit	12,540	9,892
Selling, general and administrative	9,470	6,554
Income from operations	3,070	3,338
Investment income, net	595	628
Other income, net	119	4
Income before income taxes	3,784	3,970
Provision for income taxes	1,362	1,405
Net income	$2,422	$2,565
Earnings per common share	30 cents	32 cents
Weighted average shares oustanding	8,094	8,117

(a)-Reflects reclassification of costs associated with the company's Bonus Performance Plan.

GROUNDWATER TECHNOLOGY, INC.
GROSS REVENUES VS. NET REVENUES
Unaudited (000's)

	FY91	Fiscal Year 1990			
	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Gross revenues	$38,397	$35,556	$31,194	$30,096	$27,028
Cost of Rebillables	10,786	8,817	7,327	6,721	5,401
Net Revenues	27,611	26,739	23,867	23,375	21,627
Income from operations	$3,070	$2,769	$2,433	$2,492	$3,338

Operating income as a percentage of gross revenues	8.0%	7.8%	7.8%	8.3%	12.4%
Operating income as a percentage of net revenues	11.1%	10.4%	10.2%	10.7%	15.4%

Fiscal Year 1989

	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Gross revenues	$26,109	$24,836	$24,006	$20,889
Cost of Rebillables	5,873	6,257	5,221	4,510
Net Revenues	20,236	18,579	18,785	16,379
Income from operations	$3,144	$3,111	$3,291	$2,742
Operating income as a percentage of gross revenues	12.0%	12.5%	13.7%	13.1%
Operating income as a percentage of net revenues	15.5%	16.7%	17.5%	16.7%

GROUNDWATER TECHNOLOGY, INC.
QUARTERLY INCOME STATEMENTS
IMPACT OF BONUS RECLASS
Unaudited (000's)

Fiscal Year 1990

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4 Revenue
Services	$23,939	$26,473	$27,966	$32,197
Equipment	3,089	3,623	3,228	3,359
Total Revenue	27,028	30,096	31,194	35,556
Cost of Revenue				
Services	15,310	17,868	18,733	21,670
Equipment	1,826	2,489	2,370	2,701
Total cost of revenue	17,136	20,357	21,103	24,371
Gross Profit	9,892	9,739	10,091	11,185
Selling, general and administrative	6,554	7,248	7,658	8,416
Income from operations	3,338	2,491	2,433	2,769
Investment income, net	628	648	695	667
Other income (expense), net	4	(49)	(21)	14
Income before income taxes	3,970	3,090	3,107	3,450
Provision for income taxes	1,405	1,081	1,086	1,195
Net income	$2,565	$2,009	$2,021	$2,255
Earnings per common share	32 cents	25 cents	25 cents	28 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	8,117	8,136	8,043	8,031

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PITTSBURGH (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Workers will begin installing recycling equipment on Thursday, Aug. 30, at Chambers Development Company Inc.'s (AMEX: CDVB) new residential and commercial recyclables processing facility in Pittsburgh's Strip District, Pennsylvania's largest recycling facility, the company said today.

Presently, the new recyclables processing center in the Strip District is undergoing reconstruction and will begin processing the city's recyclables on Sept. 24. The recycling facility, located at 32nd and Smallman streets, is adjacent to Chambers' American Recycling division, the area's only commercial recycler of corrugated cardboard and office paper.

Company officials said work is on schedule for the Pittsburgh facility. Presently, crews are pouring concrete for the conveyor pits, installing truck scales, erecting a new facade on the building and will begin installing recycling equipment on Thursday.

The 11,000-square-foot building, and its adjacent 21,900-square-foot lot, will be used as the processing facility. A two-story building which abuts the main building will be used for office space.

At the new facility, Chambers is installing a system to receive, sort and process the incoming recyclables. An infeed conveyor will deliver materials to a sorting conveyor, where the various recyclables will be removed from the bags, separated and deposited into holding bunkers.

The segregated materials will then be prepared for shipment to markets. In addition to conveyors, the facility will initially house a baler, a magnetic separator, an aluminum flattener and blower, and scales. An eddy current separator, which automatically separates aluminum from the recyclables stream, will be added at a later date.

The facility will have the capacity to process approximately 50 tons of recyclables per shift. Thirty new jobs will be created for each shift of operation. Chambers officials expect the city to produce 75 tons per day of recyclables.

Chambers Development Company, Inc., headquartered in Pittsburgh, is a leading environmental firm offering services in recycling, collection, hauling, disposal and landfill development. The company also provides security services through its wholly owned subsidiary, Security Bureau Inc.

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#90241p9610 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHOENIX, ARIZ. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - StatesWest Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ: SWAL) operating as USAir Express for the western United States, announced today that it is extending the termination date of its Series A Common Stock Purchase Warrants (CUSIP No. 857657 11 8) which were issued in its April 1987 public offering to Sept. 1, 1991. All other terms and conditions of such warrants will remain the same, but will reflect the split.

The company operates one of the newest and most fuel efficient fleets of regional prop-jet aircraft in the United States. Present destinations include the California locations of Bakersfield, Burbank, Los Angeles, Monterey, Orange County, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco and Santa Barbara, along with the Arizona cities of Phoenix, Tucson, Lake Havasu City, Sierra Vista/Ft. Huachuca, and Laughlin, Nev./Bullhead City, Ariz. StatesWest operates approximately 100 daily departures between these locations.

CONTACT: Rudy R. Miller or Mary A. Nance, both of The Miller Group, 602-225-0504, for StatesWest Airlines Inc.

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#90241p9614 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) announced today that it has been awarded an $18 million three year contract with ITT Corporation (NYSE: ITT) to provide a full array of telecommunication services, including MCI's Vnet, or virtual private network service, 800 inbound service and private lines.

ITT Corporation is a diversified, multinational enterprise engaged principally in nine product and service businesses. ITT also owns a 30 percent interest in Alcatel NV, a joint venture with CGE of France.

MCI, headquartered in Washington, owns and operates the world's second largest communications network, employing advanced fiber optics, digital microwave, satellite and digital switching technologies.

CONTACT: Sue Cushing, 914-933-6169, or Frank Walter, 914-933-6292, both of MCI Communications Corporation, Northeast Division

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GRAND RAPIDS, MI (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Foremost Corporation of America (NASDAQ: FCOA) announced today that its board of directors has scheduled

the 1990 Annual Meeting of Stockholders for Wednesday, Dec. 5, 1990, to elect directors, ratify the appointment of BDO Seidman as the independent auditors for 1990 and transact any other business as may properly come before the meeting. Further details regarding the time, place and purpose will be in FCOA's Notice of Annual Stockholders Meeting which will be issued later this year.

FCOA and its subsidiaries are primarily engaged in providing insurance for manufactured homes and recreational vehicles.

CONTACT: Paul D. Yared of Foremost Corporation of America, 616-956-3558.

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CARNO, Wales (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The boards of Laura Ashley Holdings plc (Laura Ashley) and Jusco Co., Ltd. (Jusco), of Japan, which trades under the Aeon Group name (Aeon Group), today announced that they have signed conditional heads of agreement (the agreement), under which:

-- The Aeon Group will subscribe for approximately 35.2 million new ordinary shares in Laura Ashley in cash at a price of 85p per share for a total consideration of approximately 29.9 million pounds sterling (or approximately $58.1 million), which will result in their holding 15 percent of the enlarged share capital. The subscription price compares with the closing middle market price of 49p per Laura Ashley ordinary share on Aug. 28, 1990. The parties have also agreed to provisions for standstill, non-compete, change of control and dilution protection.

-- The Aeon Group will subscribe for approximately 48 percent of the equity of Laura Ashley's wholly owned U.S. subsidiary, Revman Industries Inc. (Revman), at a price which values Revman at approximately $35 million (18 million pounds). Revman management will acquire up to 5 percent of the equity on the same terms. Revman will thus become an associated company of Laura Ashley and its borrowings, which currently amount to approximately $27 million (14 million pounds), will no longer be shown on the consolidated balance sheet of Laura Ashley.

-- Laura Ashley and the Aeon Group have agreed to extend the scope of their 50/50 joint venture, Laura Ashley Japan Co., Ltd. (LA Japan), which will have the exclusive sub-licensing rights for Laura Ashley's branded products in Japan and Asia, including retail, wholesale and manufacturing of products sold in the territory. As part of the arrangements, the Aeon Group will purchase 10 percent of LA Japan from Laura Ashley at a price to be determined by independent valuation. In addition to its 40 percent shareholding, Laura Ashley will retain brand control and will receive an increased royalty.

The agreement is subject to the completion of definitive agreements and the approval of Laura Ashley's shareholders.

The Aeon Group, which is Laura Ashley's partner in Japan, controls a network of over 450 retail outlets together with a number of specialty stores, restaurants, storeless retailing and service businesses throughout Japan all of which are tied to each other through a unique federated management system. In the year to Feb. 20, 1990, the Aeon Group's sales were Yen 1.35 trillion (4.8 billion pounds, or $9.3 billion) with pre-tax profits of Yen 39.4 billion (141.2 million pounds, or $274.6 million).

CONTACT: Andrew Higginson, group finance director of Laura Ashley Holdings plc, 071-796-4133, or after Wednesday, Aug. 29: 0628-39151; or Michael Sandler, director of Hudson Sandler Limited, 071-796-4133;, or Christopher Kemball, executive managing director of Dillon, Read Limited, 071-493-1239; or Kathy Liebmann of Gavin Anderson Doremus & Company, 212-921-1060, for Laura Ashley Holdings.

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VAN NUYS, CA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Valley Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ: VFEDC) has named Jennifer M. Barrett vice president, Marketing Director.

Barrett recently joined Valley Federal from Century Federal Savings, where she was vice president, marketing director. During her savings and loan industry career, she has served in various other marketing and advertising positions including vice president, marketing director for Union Federal Savings and assistant vice president, advertising manager for Coast Federal Savings.

Barrett was also regional marketing supervisor and director of franchise sales for Glendale Federal Savings and served as director of public relations for Los Angeles Federal Savings.

She graduated from Fullerton College and is a past director and officer of the Sales and Marketing Executives Association of Los Angeles, and is a member of the Advertising Club of Los Angeles. Barrett is also a member of the California Savings and Loan League's marketing committee and a former director of the Publicity Club of Los Angeles.

Valley Federal, with assets of approximately $2.8 billion, is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol VFEDC. Valley Federal's deposits are insured by the FDIC and are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government.

CONTACT: Craig A. Parsons or Kim P. Feazle of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons,

213-207-9300, for Valley Federal Savings.

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#90241p9622 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - DAVIN Computer Corp. announced today that it had completed a "best efforts" underwriting to raise $2,100,000 of gross proceeds for the company. The underwriting which went effective Aug. 13, 1990, was closed on Aug. 24, 1990 and was managed by Mitchum, Jones and Templeton Inc. of Los Angeles.

David H. Methvin, president of DAVIN stated, "Despite the crisis in the Middle East and the drop in the Dow Jones averages, the issue went very quickly. Now we can get about the business of producing and selling our new line of 64-bit computer products and building a computer company."

DAVIN Computer was founded in June, 1985, by Methvin (a co- founder and for 18 years the chief executive officer of Computer Automation Inc.) and has been in the development stage until now. It has received two patents and has others pending on its new computer architecture technology, portions of which it may license to certain other computer manufacturers for use in their computers.

DAVIN's stock is currently listed in the "pink sheets" and the company has made application for a NASD listing. Because of the uncertainty of the listing requirements and the difficulty of obtaining clarification from NASD, the company indicated it did not know if its securities would be listed on NASDAQ even though it believes it qualifies for initial listing.

CONTACT: Vivian Hunter of DAVIN Computer Corp., 714-250-0414; or Susan DeMando of Mitchum, Jones & Templeton, 213-688-8800, for DAVIN Computer Corp.

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#90241p9624 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PASADENA, CALIF. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (NYSE: JEC) announced today the award of a five-year, $21 million contract to provide unconventional propellant and hazardous waste operations services to the U.S. Air Force's Western Space and Missile Center (WSMC) at Vandenberg Air Force Base near Lompoc, Calif.

The announcement was made by Noel G. Watson, Jacobs' president and chief operating officer, who said the contract by the U.S. Department of the Air Force represents a significant award in the federal facility operations and maintenance field for the Pasadena- based engineering and construction company.

The project involves the managing and handling of unconventional propellants and cryogenic commodities -- rocket fuels and liquid oxygen and nitrogen -- used to support space vehicle launch operations at Vandenberg. The project also includes the handling of solid wastes and waste water generated from launch activities at the Air Force base.

In addition, Jacobs will provide engineering and construction management, support, maintenance of protective equipment, emergency response assistance, and environmental compliance and permitting support services. Jacobs will be assisted by EMC Inc. of Lompoc, an environmental and waste management consulting firm, as its sole subcontractor.

"Jacobs has been a recognized leader in the operations and maintenance of process plants for over 38 years," Watson said. "While we have not, until now, had a contract to provide these types of services within a federal facility, this award was based on our depth of expertise in process plant operations and maintenance, the handling and disposal of hazardous material, and the outstanding capabilities of our team.

"We are very pleased with this award and are looking forward to a long and productive role with the U.S. Air Force at Vandenberg," Watson added.

Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. provides single-source environmental and hazardous waste management, consulting, engineering, design, architectural construction, construction management, contract maintenance, and operations services to government and industry worldwide.

CONTACT: Christopher E. Nagel of Jacobs Engineering Group Inc., 818-449-2171

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co.'s (NYSE: PE) Limerick Unit 2 has returned to service following a shutdown which resulted from a leaking oil line in the non-nuclear portion of the plant.

During the shutdown, which began Aug. 19, plant workers made repairs to the oil line and returned the unit to service.

Unit 2 is expected to reach full power by the end of the week. Unit 1 is operating at full power.

CONTACT: Pat Webster of Philadelphia Electric, 215-841-4127

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ROCKVILLE, MD. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The GEnie service, one of the leading online information services, has announced the introduction, effective Oct. 1, 1990, of a flat subscription rate of just $4.95 (U.S.) per month including unlimited, non-prime time access to more than 100 products and services.

This new monthly rate will make it possible for GEnie service subscribers -- and members of their families -- to access a wide variety of popular products and services on the GEnie service without the concern of running up costly fees each month as a result of hourly access rates.

In making the announcement, Bill Louden, general manager of the GEnie service, said: "Our market research told us that the number one thing our subscribers wanted in an online information service was a flat monthly rate for accessing a wide variety of products and services.

"As a result, we will be launching, effective Oct. 1, 1990, our GEnie Star Services with a subscription rate of only $4.95 per month," said Louden. "Our new pricing structure on GEnie is similar to the concept of Cable TV where viewers pay a monthly rate for unlimited access to basic services, and an additional cost for value added services," he explained.

"With this new flat monthly rate for non-prime time access to over 100 of the GEnie service features, the online costs of many GEnie service subscribers could be reduced," added Louden.

The rate for U.S. access to those GEnie service products/services not covered under the flat monthly rate has been set at just $6 per hour during non-prime time for all three access speeds (300, 1200 and 2400 baud). This is a $4 per hour reduction in the current 2400 baud non-prime time rate. The prime time rate remains at $18 per hour for all three access speeds.

For further information in the United States and Canada on the products/services offered under the GEnie Star Services menu, please call 1-800-638-9636. GE Information Services, a division of General Electric Company, U.S.A (NYSE: GE), is headquartered in Rockville, Md.

CONTACT: Steve Haracznak of GE Information Services, 301-340-4494 or, after hours, 703-281-1961

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WEST CHESTER, PA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - QVC Network Inc. (NASDAQ: QVCN) today reported consolidated net revenues of $158.8 million for its second quarter ended July 31, 1990, an increase of 189 percent compared with $54.9 million last year. QVC's sales for this fiscal year include expanded

operations as a result of its acquisition last fall of CVN Companies Inc.

Gross profit for the second quarter rose 185 percent to $59.6 million from $20.9 million a year earlier. The company had a net loss for the quarter of $4.5 million, or $.26 per share, compared to net income of $.8 million, or $.05 per share, in the same period last year.

For this year's first half, consolidated net revenues totaled $320.1 million compared to $107.4 million the year before. The net loss was $10.3 million, or $.60 per share, compared to net income of $2 million, or $.13 per share, in last year's first six months.

QVC Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Joseph M. Segel said, "The net losses in the first half were primarily due to the effects of the final steps in replacing CVN programming with QVC programming at the end of March, which resulted in a disruption in viewing habits and a corresponding dip in revenue per home. Sales improved in the latter part of the second quarter, and this has largely continued at the start of the third period.

"Although our businesss is going in the right direction," Segel added, "the increasing softness in the economy and consumer demand will make it difficult for QVC to achieve its full-year goal of $900 million. We are still aiming for that figure, but a lot depends on how well we do in the fourth quarter, which is hard to predict at this time.

"To maximize year-end revenues, a number of steps are being taken including the launching of a major promotional campaign in September to reach several million cable subscribers who previously received CVN and now receive QVC.

"In regard to profitability, however, it now appears that our earlier profit goals for the year will be virtually impossible to attain. To be in a better position to achieve our sales goals, we have lowered our original gross margin target from 39 percent to its present level of around 37 percent. That does, in turn, affect earnings. Operating costs, however, are generally in line with objectives, so this year's profit shortfall is mostly related to sales and gross margin.

"With a longer view toward 1991 and beyond, the continued steady growth in new customers from both QVC systems and former-CVN systems, combined with the recent resumption of growth in revenue per home, leads us to be generally optimistic," Segel stated.

The QVC televised shopping program is broadcast live 24 hours a day, seven days a week. QVC now reaches more than 34 million cable subscribers and three million satellite dish owners nationwide.

QVC NETWORK INC. UNAUDITED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

(Amounts in thousands, except per-share data)

Three months ended July 31	1990	1989
Net revenues	$158,824	$54,919
Income (loss) before income taxes	(10,970)	1,078
Income tax benefit (provision)	6,473	(265)
Net income (loss)	(4,497)	813
Net income (loss) per share	($.26)	$.05
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares	17,350	15,270

Six months ended July 31	1990	1989
Net revenues	$320,096	$107,405
Income (loss) before income taxes	(25,224)	2,770
Income tax benefit (provision)	14,883	(775)
Net income (loss)	(10,341)	1,995
Net income (loss) per share	($.60)	$.13
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares	17,313	15,270

CONTACT: Michael C. Boyd of QVC Network, (215) 430-8910.

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - J. Craighill Redwine, chairman and chief executive officer of Interstate/Johnson Lane, Inc. (NYSE: IS), resigned today.

Elmon L. Vernier, Jr., president and chief operating officer, said the company's board of directors agreed to leave the position temporarily vacant. Management continuity and direction for the firm will continue to be provided by the executive committee of the board. The committee is made up of Vernier and Parks H. Dalton as committee chairman.

Redwine joined Interstate Securities in 1977 to manage the company's institutional sales effort, following the acquisition of his firm, Conner, Redwine, Inc. In 1983 he was elected president and chief operating officer of Interstate Securities Corp. and was named chief executive officer in 1986.

"Craig leaves many friends at Interstate/Johnson Lane and we wish him the very best," Vernier said.

Interstate/Johnson Lane is one of the largest full-service regional

brokerage firms in the Southeast.

CONTACT: Elmon L. Vernier, Jr., Interstate/Johnson Lane, 704-379-9117

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#90241p9633 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ZURICH (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The ABB Asea Brown Boveri Group today announced the following results for the first six months of 1990:

Orders received by the ABB Group for the first six months of 1990, ended June 30, totaled $14.9 billion, an increase of 33 percent compared with the corresponding period in 1989 (first six months 1989: $11.2 billion). Excluding acquisitions, divestitures, and exchange rate fluctuations, orders received increased by approximately 8 percent.

Strong order increases were registered in several countries in Europe, specifically in Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Great Britain and Italy. Outside Europe, the highest increases were recorded in parts of Asia and, mainly as a result of acquisitions, in North America and Australasia.

Growing investments in energy and transportation infrastructure projects, responsive to environmental concerns, contributed substantially to the higher order intake. Conversely, demand for standard products and for capital goods weakened in some countries, notably in North America. The conflict in the Middle East as it has developed so far is expected to have limited direct impact on ABB.

Revenues were up 35 percent to $12.8 billion compared with $9.4 billion for the first six months of 1989. This represents an increase of 6 percent excluding acquisitions, divestitures, and exchange rate fluctuations.

The order backlog at the end of the reporting period was approximately $24.7 billion, compared with $17.0 billion at the end of the first half of 1989, and $18.1 billion at the end of 1989.

ABB Group earnings after financial items and before nonrecurring items and taxes increased by 24 percent to $489 million (first half 1989: $396 million). Operating earnings after depreciation were up 52 percent to $797 million (first half 1989: $526 million).

Considerable earnings improvements came from power transmission, power distribution, environmental control and financial services business segments. The superchargers business area again achieved increased earnings, as did some installation material companies in Germany. The combustion engineering operations, including acquisition costs, made a negative contribution to earnings after financial items. Restructuring

programs are well under way and the integration of the various combustion engineering units into ABB is proceeding according to schedule.

On a country basis, substantial earnings contributions came from Finland, Germany, Sweden, and Switzerland. France, Italy and some companies in Latin America and North America showed good earnings increases.

Income before taxes totaled $500 million, an increase of 28 percent compared to the previous year (first half 1989: $391 million).

The ABB Group provides products and services for the power, process, automation, environmental control, transit and other markets worldwide. It is the world's leading electrical engineering company with total annual sales of about $25 billion.

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SEATTLE (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunex Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNX) today reported in a presentation to the meeting of the International Society for Experimental Hematology (ISEH) the genetic engineering of a fusion molecule composed of the two therapeutic cytokines, granulocyte macrophage colony stimulating factor (GM-CSF) and Interleukin-3 (IL-3).

In vitro studies have shown the fusion molecule to be ten times more active than combinations of GM-CSF and IL-3 in its ability to promote bone marrow cell growth. The Immunex fusion molecule, called PIXY-321, if proven safe and effective, could be the first of a second generation of CSFs.

Previous animal studies have show that sequential administration of GM-CSF and IL-3 can lead to synergy in raising both white blood cell and platelet counts. The new molecule could produce greater synergy than has been seen in studies combining GM-CSF and IL-3, which are currently being tested to alleviate blood-cell damaging side effects cancer patients suffer as a result of radiation or chemotherapy. Clinical studies of PIXY-321 are planned for 1991.

GM-CSF promotes the growth and function of infection-fighting white blood cells. IL-3 stimulates the early blood-cell development, including the production of platelets, the blood elements responsible for clotting.

"Animals that received PIXY-321 responded with rapid increases in both platelets and white blood cells," said Steven Gillis, Ph.D., Immunex executive vice president and director of research. "Those results make us optimistic about the potential utility of PIXY-321 to the practicing

oncologist, because it could combine the benefits of different colony-stimulating factors in a single drug."

Said James O. Armitage, M.D., professor and vice chairman, Department of Internal Medicine at the University of Nebraska: "Results of preliminary studies using GM-CSF in combination with IL-3 have been very promising. If the fusion molecule enhances those effects, this could be a discovery that offers significant advantages over CSF therapies, as we currently understand them."

Cytokines such as GM-CSF and IL-3 are immune system proteins responsible for programming the growth and function of blood cells. Cytokines perform their tasks by binding to structures called receptors on the surface of cells.

Data from in vitro studies have shown that PIXY-321 binds to receptors with higher affinity, or tightness, than IL-3 or GM-CSF. The increased biological activity observed in in vitro studies of PIXY-321 may be due to the molecule's ability to bind to three types of CSF receptors: the GM-CSF receptor, the IL-3 receptor and the "dual receptor." The dual receptor discovered by Immunex is a unique CSF receptor that is capable of binding either GM-CSF or IL-3.

CONTACT: Valoree Dowell of Immunex Corp., (206) 587-0430; or Joseph Jennings or Gregory Spector of Joseph Jennings Communications Inc., (415) 349-8400, for Immunex.

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#90241p9636 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

GERMANTOWN, MD (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Deborah M. Tucker has been named vice president of communications for Fairchild Space & Defense Corporation. Tucker, who reports to Richard E. Brackeen, chairman and chief executive officer, is responsible for the company's communications activities that include media and public relations, advertising and community and employee communications.

Tucker, 37, joined Fairchild in 1977 as a marketing support analyst for a division of Fairchild Industries. She held various divisional and corporate positions, including that of director of corporate communications for Fairchild Industries, with responsibilities for both public and investor relations. Most recently, she was director of communications for Fairchild Space & Defense Corporation.

She is a member of the board of directors of Horizons Theater and the board of associates for the National Rehabilitation Hospital. A member of Women in Aerospace, Tucker serves on the Communications Council of the Aerospace Industries Association (AIA) and was past president of the Washington

Chapter of the National Investor Relations Institute (NIRI).

Fairchild Space & Defense Corporation, a member of the Matra Group, is a U.S. space and defense electronics company with operations in Germantown and Manhattan Beach, Calif. Matra, headquartered in Paris, is an internationally diversified company.

CONTACT: Deborah M. Tucker of Fairchild Space & Defense Corporation, (301) 353-1776.

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ST. PETERSBURG, FL (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Milton Roy Company (NYSE: MRC) today announced that it has completed the acquisition of SLM Instruments, Inc. of Urbana, Ill.

SLM manufactures and markets a broad line of spectrofluorometer instruments used in the biotechnology and life science industries. The company also produces spectrophotometers and biological cell disruption devices.

Under the terms of the acquisition agreement, SLM was acquired for a cash price of $9.3 million. The company generated revenues of $7.4 million for its 1990 fiscal year and has grown at an average annual compounded rate of 22 percent over the last ten years. Milton Roy will fund the acquisition through available cash and borrowings under its bank credit lines.

Commenting on the acquisition, Milton Roy president, Richard E. Schmidt, stated: "Over the last two years we have followed the progress of SLM and held informal discussions with their management. We were impressed by the strong record of sales and profit growth which SLM had established.

"They are a recognized market leader in the field of fluorescence spectroscopy. Their products closely complement Milton Roy's existing spectrophotometer lines and provide us with an excellent entry into the life sciences market."

Milton Roy is a multinational manufacturing company which produces process control equipment and analytical instruments. Major product lines include metering and centrifugal pumps, spectrophotometers, mass spectrometers and environmental and automotive emissions testing equipment.

These products are used in a wide variety of industrial, research and educational applications where they control and monitor the flow of liquids and analyze the components of a complex mixture of fluids or gases.

CONTACT: John M. McNamara, vice president-finance of Milton Roy, (813) 823-4444.

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#90241p9639 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
TROY, MI (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - James L. Lanzon has been elected vice president-Engineering for New Venture Gear, Inc. (NVG) in a move designed to strengthen and restructure the company's engineering organization.

Lanzon, who was chosen by NVG's board of directors, joins the company from General Motors' Hydra-matic Division where he was chief engineer-New Products.

In announcing Lanzon's selection, NVG President and CEO David R. Zimmer called engineering "critical to the company's ability to provide its customers the products they require. Jim Lanzon is one of the best driveline engineers in the business. His selection as vice president-Engineering helps us better satisfy our customers' needs now and in the future."

Lanzon said building an engineering organization for New Venture Gear is an exciting and demanding job. "We're putting together a talented, creative group dedicated to developing the best driveline products in the industry," he said. "Our goal as an engineering organization is to be a model for other companies to follow."

As NVG's vice president-Engineering, Lanzon is responsible for all the company's engineering functions which include the design and development of manual transmissions, transfer cases, transaxles and related drivetrain products. He had been with General Motors since 1968.

New Venture Gear, Inc. was formed Feb. 1, 1990, as a joint venture between Acustar, Chrysler's parts subsidiary, and General Motors' Hydra-matic Division. The company is the world's largest manufacturer of four-wheel-drive transfer cases and supplies a variety of driveline products to customers throughout the world.

CONTACT: Joe Moreland of Moreland Communications, Inc., (313) 644-8410, for New Venture Gear, Inc.

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#90241p9640 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
WALTHAM, MASS. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Process Systems Inc. (AMEX: TPI) today reported that its Holcroft Inc. subsidiary has been granted an order from Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) for heat treating equipment valued at more than $1 million.

The equipment, a pusher carbo-nitriding system that will be used to treat

automatic transmission gears for automobiles at Ford's factory in Livonia, Mich., is identical to a Holcroft system ordered in November 1989. The system is fully equipped with programmable logic controls for the complete monitoring of temperature and atmosphere in the furnace zones.

"This order is part of Ford's upgrade of equipment in several of its transmission plants," says Thomas P. Plunkett, president of Thermo Process Systems. "Our advanced system will replace older thermal-processing lines operating in the plants."

Thermo Process Systems designs, manufactures, and sells advanced custom-engineered thermal-processing systems for the incineration of hazardous wastes and the automated heat treating of metal parts. The company also provides services for the on-site remediation of hazardous wastes and petroleum-laden soils, in addition to a comprehensive range of metallurgical processes. Thermo Process Systems is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

CONTACT: John N. Hatsopoulos of Thermo Process Systems, 617-622-1111

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#90241p9644 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Unilever United States Inc., today issued the following statement:

Barenbrug, the Dutch seed group, has reached agreement in principle to the acquisition of a majority holding in Normarc Inc., an American amenity grass production and marketing company, for an undisclosed sum. The agreement provides for the acquisition of the minority interest within three years.

Barenbrug, one of the largest herbage seed companies in the world, forms part of Unilever's international seed business, centered on Plant Breeding International Cambridge.

Normarc, which is based in Tangent, Ore., and has some 50 employees, is an established producer and distributor of forage and amenity grasses throughout the United States, with annual sales of around $25 million.

The transaction is in line with Barenbrug's declared intent to develop its herbage activities into countries where growth opportunities exist. Normarc will gain access to the Barenbrug breeding and research facilities and is complementary to the existing activities of the Barenbrug subsidiary located at Imbler, Ore.

CONTACT: John T. Gould, Jr., for Unilever, 212-906-4694, or at night: 203-329-7590

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LOUISVILLE, KY. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Brown-Forman Corporation (AMEX: BF.A BF.B) today reported that net income for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, before a nonrecurring item during the same period last year, increased to $36.2 million or $1.29 per share from $29.9 million or $1.06 per share last year. Net sales for the period rose 14 percent to a record $327.2 million.

Last year's first quarter included an $11.5 million or $.41 per share gain which resulted from a reduction in the company's deferred tax liability due to its early adoption of FASB Statement No. 96 during fiscal 1990. Early adoption was encouraged by the Financial Accounting Standards Board. Including this nonrecurring item, reported net income in last year's first quarter was $41.4 million or $1.47 per share.

The company had a sales increase in its wine and spirits segment of 14 percent. Strong domestic performance of Jack Daniel's, Southern Comfort and Canadian Mist in response to price increases, was the major factor contributing to segment growth. W. L. Lyons Brown, Jr., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, said "the increase in U.S. sales is the natural result of purchases in anticipation of price increases and should not be interpreted as a significant change in historical trends."

Brown-Forman's consumer durables segment, Lenox and Hartmann, reported a sales increase of 13 percent for the quarter. Excluding companies acquired and sold in fiscal 1990, sales rose 10 percent.

Brown-Forman Corporation is a diversified producer and marketer of fine quality consumer products, including Jack Daniel's Tennessee Whiskey, Canadian Mist, Southern Comfort, Korbel California Champagnes, Lenox China and Crystal, Kirk Stieff Silver and Pewter, and Hartmann Luggage.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Flexible Bond Trust, Inc. (AMEX: FLX), a closed-end management investment company seeking total return through investments in income-producing securities with the potential for capital appreciation, today announced that the fund's board of directors has declared a dividend of $0.075 per share from net investment income. The dividend is payable on Sept. 21, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Sept. 7, 1990. The ex-dividend date is Aug. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Frank Maresca of Flexible Bond Trust, 212-713-2421

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#90241p9648 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Logic Inc. (OTC) today announced the results for its third quarter ending Aug. 28, 1990. Net sales for the period were $211,882 which resulted in net loss of $30,548.

The company has continued to make progress and will achieve profitability during its fourth quarter.

Standard Logic Inc. (STDL) manufactures and distributes Electronic Packaging assemblies and systems for commercial and government applications.

STANDARD LOGIC INC.
Balance Sheet

	July 28, 1990 (Unaudited)	Oct. 31, 1989
Assets Current:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$297,102	$341,770
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of $10,000 in 1990 and $9,905 in 1989	129,577	213,076
Inventories	128,388	144,864
Prepaid expenses	24,060	42,806
Total current assets	579,127	742,516
Property, plant and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of 271,632 in 1990 and 214,126 in 1989	234,377	256,473
Other assets	24,165	28,431
Total assets	$837,669	$1,027,420
Liabilities Current:		
Accounts payable	$60,327	$109,637
Accrued compensation cost	79,918	57,049
Other accrued liabilities	55,796	79,322
Note payable	70,000	70,000
Total liabilities	266,041	316,008
Shareholder's equity		
Common stock, $.025 par value, authorized 10,000,000 shares, issued and outstanding 6,289,118 in 1990 and 6,299,118 in 1989	157,228	157,477
Additional paid-in capital	10,297,377	10,300,878

Subscriptions receivable	0	(3,750)
Deficit	(9,882,977)	(9,743,193)
Total shareholder's equity	571,628	711,412
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	$837,669	$1,027,420

STANDARD LOGIC INC.
Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	July 28, 1990	July 29, 1989	July 28, 1990	July 29, 1989
Net Sales	$211,882	$730,295	$676,260	$1,314,863
Cost of Sales	127,260	325,404	430,824	919,450
Gross Profit	84,622	404,891	245,436	395,413
Operating Expenses:				
General and Administrative	96,691	117,418	309,688	498,877
Selling	22,642	44,069	85,780	142,941
Product Development	1,209	1,068	2,757	32,344
Total Operating Expenses	120,542	162,555	398,225	674,162
Interest and other income (expense) net	5,372	(3,002)	13,004	13,682
Loss from operations before provision for income taxes	(30,548)	239,334	(139,785)	(265,067)
Provision for taxes on income	0	0	0	0
Loss from Continuing Operations	(30,548)	239,334	(139,785)	(265,067)
Discontinued Operations	---	---	---	(20,393)
Net Loss	($30,548)	$239,334	($139,785)	($285,460)
Net Loss per share	($0.005)	$0.038	($0.022)	($0.045)
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	6,289,118	6,284,635	6,289,118	6,284,635

CONTACT: Wes Baumgardner of Standard Logic Inc., 714-632-9292

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#90241p9650 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Pioneer Concrete of America, Inc. ("Pioneer") and Beazer West, Inc.("Beazer") today announced that they have reached an agreement to form a joint venture partnership through subsidiaries whereby Pioneer will acquire a 50 percent interest in Beazer's Midlothian, Texas cement manufacturing facility. The terms of the transaction value the facility and working capital at approximately

US$90 million on a debt free basis or book value. Accordingly, Beazer will receive approximately US$45 million at closing. further, the resulting joint venture will endeavor to obtain additional bank financing, thereby providing a certain surplus of cash to Beazer and Pioneer.

The closing of the transaction will take place immediately upon the expiration of any applicable Hart-Scott-Rodino waiting periods. The Midlothian facility, which had revenues of approximately U.S. $26 million for the year ended June 30, 1990, has a capacity to produce approximately 900,000 tons of cement per year and has been in operation since 1966. The new joint venture will operate under the name "North Texas Cement Company."

Beazer and Pioneer are committed to the future of Texas and are encouraged that the Texas economy is recovering and believe that it will rebound strongly in the years ahead.

The joint venture will continue to serve its existing broad customer base in North Texas, which includes the concrete operations of Pioneer and Beazer.

Beazer West is a subsidiary of Beazer PLC (NYSE: BZR), which is a major international building materials, construction and house building group operating principally in the United Kingdom and the United States.

Pioneer is a wholly owned subsidiary of Pioneer International Ltd. (Sydney Stock Exchange: PIL), a major international building materials and oil and gas group with headquarters in Sydney, Australia. Pioneer is reportedly the second largest producer of concrete in the world, with operations in Australia, the United Kingdom, Spain, West Germany, Israel, Hong Kong, Singapore, and the United States, with U.S. headquarters in Houston.

CONTACT: Anne S. McBride of Beazer USA, 212-767-0755, or Roanne Kulakoff of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Beazer

-30- 2463

#90241p9651 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Carnegie Mellon University has received a $400,000 grant from Chambers Development Company Inc. (AMEX: CDVB), to study and improve existing methods of solid waste disposal, especially methods of environmental quality control for landfill operations.

The grant will fund three research projects focusing on the environmental control, efficiency and productivity of modern landfill operations. These projects include a study of airspace optimization, or packing the maximum amount of waste material into a landfill site; a study of the chemistry of

metals in landfill leachate (the liquid created by rainwater seeping through landfill contents) to determine the most economical removal techniques, and a study of leachate distillation, a method of disposing of the liquid.

"Sanitary landfills, along with recycling, composting and resource recovery, are an important part of the total, integrated solid waste management program necessary to help our nation solve its waste disposal problems," said John G. Rangos Sr., president and chief executive officer of Chambers. "We believe important solutions can be created by active cooperation between industry and academia."

Solid waste issues are being addressed by nearly a dozen Carnegie Mellon faculty, graduate and undergraduate students under the direction of Francis C. McMichael, the Blenko professor of environmental engineering and director of Carnegie Mellon's Center for Solid Waste Management Research.

"Modern landfills are complex and expensive technical facilities that require an extensive knowledge of engineering, geology and chemistry," said McMichael. "Today, environmentally safe landfills cost between $250-500,000 per acre to develop."

At this time, he continued, more than three-quarters of the nation's municipal solid waste is landfilled. Old operations without liners, leachate control and environmental monitoring are no longer permitted. In 1986, he said, there were 6,000 municipal landfills; 1,200 of them are scheduled to close in the next five years.

"We believe that our efforts with Chambers will help to attract additional research interest to the important but neglected solid waste disposal field and help to support the education of a new generation of high-tech solid waste management professionals," McMichael said.

Chambers Development Company, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is a national environmental firm offering services in refuse collection, hauling, disposal, recycling and landfill development. The company also provides security services through its wholly owned subsidiary, Security Bureau, Inc.

CONTACT: Anne Watzman of Carnegie Mellon, 412-268-2900; or Jim Leonard of Chambers Development, 412-244-7560

-30- 2975

#90241p9654 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) today confirmed that it will hold press conferences on Sept. 18 in New

York, Tokyo and London.

According to invitations sent to media representatives, the Kodak conferences will highlight "the worldwide announcement of a new photographic system designed to increase the use and enjoyment of pictures for years to come."

CONTACT: Ronald C. Roberts of Eastman Kodak Company, 716-724-4513

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#90241p9658 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - On Sept. 28, 1990, New England Realty Associates Limited Partnership (NERA) will make a distribution to its Class A Limited Partners and holders of Depositary Receipts.

Class A Limited Partners and holders of Depositary Receipts of record as of Sept. 15, 1990 will be entitled to a semi-annual distribution in the amount of $3.40 per Class A Partnership Unit and 34 cents per Depositary Receipt.

Each Depositary Receipt represents a beneficial ownership of one-tenth of a Class A Partnership Unit. Depositary Receipts are listed on NASDAQ under the trading symbol NEWRZ.

CONTACT: Pam Carleton of New England Realty Associates, (617) 783-0039.

-30- 861

#90241p9663 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Metropolitan Financial Corporation (NYSE: MFC) Fargo, N.D., announced today that it has authorized management to repurchase up to 5 percent of the company's common stock from time to time in the open market over the next 12 months for use in a variety of the company's employee benefit programs and for the company's dividend reinvestment plan.

Metropolitan Financial Corporation currently has approximately 7.2 million common shares outstanding.

Metropolitan Financial Corporation is a regional thrift holding company and one of the 50 largest savings institutions in the country. At June 30, 1990, consolidated assets of the company were in excess of $3.9 billion. Its savings bank subsidiary, Metropolitan Federal Bank, fsb, operates 103 branch offices in 84 communities in North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Arizona and currently exceeds all of the fully phased in minimum capital requirements as mandated by the Financial Institutions Reform Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989. Its mortgage

banking subsidiary, Metropolitan Financial Mortgage Corporation, is the largest mortgage loan originator in the Twin Cities of Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn. And, its real estate sales and brokerage subsidiary, Edina Realty, is Minnesota's largest home seller. The company's common and preferred stock trade on the New York Stock Exchange, the common under the symbol MFC.

CONTACT: Bill Bartkowski of Metropolitan Financial Corporation, 612-339-8859

-30- 1729

#90241p9664 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OHIO (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Mead Corporation (NYSE: MEA) Board of Directors today authorized the company to purchase up to an additional 5,000,000 of its common shares pursuant to an ongoing common share repurchase program. The purchases will be made from time to time in the open market at prevailing prices, as market conditions warrant.

Under prior Board authorization to acquire up to 2,000,000 common shares, the company has acquired 1,625,100 shares to date. Mead intends to use the shares for general corporate purposes, which may include employee benefit plans. As of July 1, 1990, the company had approximately 62,000,000 shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Sharon Williamson of The Mead Corporation, 513-495-3535

-30- 893

#90241p9667 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Ballots and summaries of the tentative contract agreement between the United Steelworkers of America and Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel (NYSE: QWHX) were mailed by the union today to its 5,500 members employed by the company, the union announced.

The ballots will be counted Sept. 11 in Wheeling, W.Va. In order to be counted, the ballots must arrive at the post office by 8 a.m., Sept. 11.

CONTACT: USW Communications Department, (416) 397-7127.

-30- 653

#90241p9672 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

STATE COLLEGE, PA. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - United Federal Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: UFBK) and Meridian Bank today jointly announced that United Federal has signed a definitive agreement with Meridian to purchase four of its central Pennsylvania branches for an undisclosed price.

According to Charles C. Pearson Jr., president and chief executive officer of United Federal, and Ezekiel S. Ketchum, president of Meridian Bank, the agreement calls for the purchase of the Mifflintown branch in Juniata County; the Newport branch in Perry County; the Shippensburg branch in Cumberland County; and the Chambersburg branch in Franklin County. The four locations include approximately $80 million in deposits and $2 million in loans plus the fixed assets of each branch.

According to the terms of the agreement, employees of the four branches will be offered employment by United Federal.

In commenting on the purchase, Pearson said, "United Federal Bancorp has $94 million in capital and a 19 percent capital-to-asset ratio -- one of the highest in the nation for a bank our size. One of our stated goals has been to conservatively expand United Federal's geographic franchise. This purchase is an important step in our planned strategy to establish high quality community banking in areas with good market potential. It has the additional advantage of giving us a significant deposit base with which to expand our loan services."

Ketchum stated, "Our decision to sell these branches came about because they are located too far outside our core service area, and therefore, don't geographically fit our existing franchise."

The purchase, which requires the appropriate state, federal and regulatory approvals, is scheduled for completion before the end of December 1990.

United Federal Bancorp is the holding company for United Federal Savings Bank, a federally chartered savings bank with over $495 million assets. The bank conducts its operations from its home office in State College, Pa., and 11 full-service offices located in Centre, Clearfield and Huntingdon counties.

Meridian Bank is a wholly owned subsidiary of the nearly $12 billion asset Meridian Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: MRDN), headquartered in Reading, Pa.

CONTACT: Martha A. Snider of United Federal Bancorp, 814-231-1742; or Doris Piasecki of Meridian Bank, 215-320-2467

-30- 2549

#90241p9674 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

RIVERHEAD, NY (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Suffolk Bancorp (NASDAQ: SUBK) today announced that the board of directors, at their regular meeting on Aug. 27, 1990, voted to declare a regular quarterly dividend of 14 cents per share of common stock to all shareholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990, payable on Oct. 1, 1990. The aggregate dividend will $464,544.64 based on 3,318,176 shares outstanding.

Suffolk Bancorp is a one-bank holding company engaged in the commercial banking business through The Suffolk County National Bank, a full service commercial bank headquartered in Riverhead.

SCNB is Suffolk Bancorp's wholly owned subsidiary. Organized in 1890, The Suffolk County National Bank is the second largest independent bank headquartered on Long Island.

The Suffolk County National Bank maintains offices in Center Moriches, Cutchogue, Hampton Bays, Mattituck, Medford, Riverhead, Port Jefferson, Wading River, and Westhampton Beach, N.Y. Suffolk Bancorp also owns Island Computer Corporation of New York, Inc., a bank data-service company located in Bohemia, N.Y.

CONTACT: Douglas Ian Shaw of Suffolk Bancorp, 516-727-2700 ext. 66.

-30- 1330

#90241p9675 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLEN ROCK, N.J. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Citizens First Bancorp, Inc. (Citizens) (AMEX: CFB) has announced that its representatives met yesterday with representatives of Coopers & Lybrand, Citizens' outside auditors, to review the circumstances surrounding loans by Citizens' subsidiary, Citizens First National Bank of New Jersey to a Coopers & Lybrand practice partner which are now in default. During the term of the loans the Coopers & Lybrand partner was not directly responsible for the audit of Citizens' financial statements, but rather he acted in a secondary review capacity.

At that time, his loans were not in default. Citizens was advised by Coopers & Lybrand that the accounting firm remains confident that its audits were properly conducted and that Citizens' financial statements are fairly presented in accordance with generally-accepted accounting principles. Nevertheless, Coopers & Lybrand will promptly undertake a special in-depth review of the work performed and the partner's involvement and will advise Citizens of the results of such review.

CONTACT: Jack M. Blackin, treasurer of Citizens First Bancorp, 201-670-2455

-30- 1338

#90241p9676 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - "For the sixth time this summer and the third time this month, demand for electricity across the Southeast has broken all previous records," Southern Company President Edward L. Addison said this morning.

Peak demand for electricity averaged approximately 28,702,000 kilowatts between 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. EDT on Tuesday, Aug. 28 -- surpassing the previous record set on Monday, Aug. 20, by more than 391,000 kilowatts.

The Southern Company (NYSE: SO) is the parent firm of five electric utilities: Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power and Savannah Electric. Together, these companies supply energy to some 11 million people across the Southeast.

Addison noted that before this summer, the highest demand for electricity ever recorded in the Southern electric system's operating area was 27,411,000 kilowatts on Aug. 23, 1989. The new record is 4.7 percent above that mark. He added that, barring unforeseen difficulties, operators across the system expect no problems today in meeting the region's power needs.

CONTACT: Tripp Cagle or Steve Higginbottom, 404-455-1077, both of The Southern Company

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#90241p9680 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MS (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Plasma Processing Corporation (PPC), a wholly owned subsidiary of First Mississippi Corporation (NYSE: FRM), has signed an agreement with Alcan International Limited of Montreal, Canada, concerning use of thermal plasma technology for aluminum dross processing.

The agreement gives PPC exclusive worldwide (except Europe and within Alcan) rights to use or license the technology for a new process to recover aluminum from aluminum dross. The new technology used a plasma torch as a heat source to generate the high temperature essential to recover aluminum and other reusable materials from dross. It eliminates the need to use salt fluxes which create a waste residue.

Alcan will use the technology, developed in cooperation with another First Mississippi subsidiary, Plasma Energy Corporation, in a previously announced industrial-scale dross treatment plant set to start up in Quebec later this year. PPC plans to build similar plants in the United States.

First Mississippi Corporation, headquartered in Jackson, Miss., is a resource and technology company with established operations in chemicals, fertilizer, energy and gold and emerging operations in technology.

CONTACT: Ron Como of Ron Como & Associates, (212) 227-3010, for First Mississippi.

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#90241p9682 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Trump Shuttle is offering Labor Day weekend travelers a fare break, extending their low weekend fares through 3 p.m., Sept. 3.

The regular Trump Shuttle weekend one way fare of $89, as well as the $49 discount fare for senior citizens and youth (through age 24) will apply during Labor Day weekend:

All day Saturday, Sept. 1; All day Sunday, Sept. 2, and Through 3 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 3.

The $59 weekday senior and youth discount fare will apply to all flights Monday after 3 p.m.

Trump Shuttle will fly every other hour from 7 a.m. through 9 p.m. on Saturday, every other hour from 9 a.m. through 9 p.m. on Sunday and every other hour from 9 a.m. through 3 p.m., then every hour through 9 p.m. (10 p.m. between New York and Boston) on Monday. As always, no reservations are required.

For information, travelers may contact their travel agent, corporate travel department, the Trump Shuttle ticket counters or may call 800-247-8786.

CONTACT: Joan Fudala of the Trump Shuttle, 718-397-6120

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#90241p9683 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
MALVERN, PA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Acme Markets Inc. announced today that any of its employees who are called to active duty to serve in support of U.S. forces in the Mideast crisis, Operation Desert Shield, in Saudi Arabia or the Persian Gulf will remain on active status with the company or its subsidiaries for up to six months to protect the employees' wages and benefits not covered by their military service.

Robert A. Neslund, president, said Acme Markets will make up the difference in wages and benefits (with concurrence of labor organizations) for all of those employees called to active duty during the present crisis and encouraged all others in the business community to join with Acme in assuring employees who are called to serve that their employers are supporting them during this difficult period.

Neslund said, "We do not believe that any of our employees who are called to active duty or their families should suffer any economic or monetary hardship while serving our nation. In the event that the present crisis

should extend beyond six months and the president's authority to keep forces in the Mideast is renewed by Congress, we will review the situation at that time.

"There is, however, an immediate need to provide our employees and their loved ones with assurances that they and their families will have our support now and be protected into the future." Acme Markets will pay the difference between military pay and benefits based upon the employee's wage experience for the prior six months of service with the company.

Acme Markets Inc. operates 277 stores in six states and has more than 25,000 employees.

CONTACT: Walter P. Rubel of Acme Markets, (215) 889-4354.

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#90241p9690 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMDEN, NJ (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - One of the most well-known corporate symbols of all time - the Campbell Kids - will sing a rap song in a new television commercial that begins airing next week to announce the introduction of Campbell's Teddy Bear Soup. The rap singing will mark the first time the Kids' voices have been heard since 1958.

The spot, which continues last year's "What Kind of Campbell Kid Are You?" theme, also will feature the rap singing of an animated Teddy Bear that appears on the label of the new soup, as well as dancing soup cans.

The rap singing by the Campbell Kids is the first step in a plan by Campbell to develop personalities for the Kids and leverage the fun and wholesomeness with which they have always been associated, said Pat Holmes marketing manager-Campbell's Kids Soups.

"Our research tells us that both children and parents have a very high awareness of the Campbell Kids even though they haven't been heavily featured in recent years," said Holmes. "Children have told us that eating soup is fun. This new commercial reinforces the fun associated with the Campbell Kids and eating soup."

The Campbell Kids were created in 1904 by Philadelphia artist Grace Drayton and soon became a corporate symbol of Campbell Soup Co. (NYSE: CPB). They have been used in a variety of Campbell advertising and promotional programs ranging from collectors dolls to an annual Campbell Kid calendar produced by the company. Today they appear on the label of Campbell's line of Kids Soups.

The 30-second spot will run mainly on Saturday morning and late-afternoon programming. It was developed by Backer Spielvogel Bates, New York.

CONTACT: Kevin Lowery of Cambell Soup, (609) 342-8533.

-30- 1924

#90241p9694 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ONEIDA, N.Y. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Oneida Ltd. (NYSE: OCQ) today announced financial results for the second quarter of 1990, posting net income of $1,606,000 equal to 16 cents a share on sales of $99,590,000 for the three months ended July 28, 1990. This compares to net income of $2,642,000 equal to 27 cents a share on sales of $95,373,000 for the same period a year ago.

For the first six months of its fiscal year, Oneida reported net income of $3,621,000 equal to 37 cents a share on sales of $205,391,000. This compares to net income of $8,428,000 equal to 87 cents a share on sales of $201,521,000 for the first six months a year ago.

Last year's six months figures included a non-operational after-tax gain of $1,433,000 equal to 14 cents a share attributable to the sale of the company's manufacturing facilities in Bangor, Northern Ireland. All per share figures have been adjusted to reflect the company's previously announced ten percent stock dividend, which was effective Nov. 17, 1989.

Oneida Ltd. Chairman William D. Matthews said the Oneida Silversmiths Division reported increased sales and earnings for the second quarter and first six months. However, decreased demand in the automotive and consumer electronics markets continued to depress sales and earnings at Oneida's industrial wire subsidiary.

Matthews noted that although second quarter consolidated earnings were down 11 cents a share from a year ago, the decline was less than the company experienced in the first quarter. He said he expected this trend to continue, and that third quarter results should compare more favorably with 1989 levels, principally due to the strong performance of the Oneida Silversmiths Division.

Matthews also announced that the Oneida Ltd. board of directors has authorized the corporation to repurchase up to 400,000 additional shares of the company's outstanding common stock from time to time at prevailing market prices. This brings to 575,000 the total number of shares currently authorized for repurchase.

CONTACT: Thomas B. Ross of Oneida Ltd., 315-361-3207

-30- 2285

#90241p9695 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Corroon & Black Corporation (NYSE: CBL) announced today the promotion of Mary E. Florey to the position of manager of corporate and financial communications.

Florey will be responsible for all corporate communications, including the corporation's public relations and advertising efforts, press releases, and internal publications. She will also manage Corroon & Black Corporation's investor relations programs, including quarterly and annual reports, and other information distributed to shareholders and analysts.

Her promotion was announced by C. Jackson Blair, first vice president, employee relations and corporate communications. In making the announcement, Blair commented: "In the past few years, corporate and financial communications have played an ever-increasing role as Corroon & Black has expanded. Mary's talent and experience will serve Corroon & Black and its shareholders well as she coordinates the corporation's communications efforts."

Most recently manager of investor relations, Florey worked for four years as assistant to the chief financial officer of Corroon & Black Corporation. She also served for three years as an editor of financial research materials in the equity research department of Goldman, Sachs & Co. A native New Yorker, she graduated from SUNY Stony Brook with a bachelor's degree in music, and also holds a master of science degree from Long Island University.

Corroon & Black Corporation, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's largest full-service insurance intermediaries, providing insurance brokerage, risk management services, reinsurance brokerage, and employee benefits, compensation, and actuarial consulting to individuals, local governments, professions, business, and industry. It has subsidiaries across the United States and affiliated offices throughout the world. The corporation was founded in New York City in 1905.

CONTACT: C. Jackson Blair of Corroon & Black, 212-363-4100, or William Reddig of Hill and Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for Corroon & Black.

-30- 2291

#90241p9696 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHVALE, NJ (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - ADM Tronics Unlimited, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADMT) has announced today that it has been notified by Sonogen (Canada) Corporation that Sonogen has received approval to market Sonotron Devices to physicians in Canada.

As previously announced, Sonogen (Canada) entered into a long-term lease and license agreement with a subsidiary of ADM Tronics. Sonotron Devices are manufactured by ADM Tronics for its subsidiary.

The approval allows Sonogen (Canada) to distribute the five Sonotron Devices which it has received from ADM Tronics' subsidiary for placement in physicians offices. Sonogen (Canada) further advised that so long as additional Sonotron Devices shipped to Canada are manufactured identically, each will receive individual approval for marketing.

ADM Tronics has been notified by Sonogen (Canada) that it anticipates the need for a minimum of 100 Sonotron Devices within the next three to six months. Pursuant to the lease and license agreement, ADM Tronics' subisidary will be entitled to receive base revenues of $720,000 annually with respect to each 100 Sonotron Devices leased to Sonogen (Canada).

In addition, ADM Tronics' subsidiary will be entitled to receive additional revenues based upon the amount of usage of the Sonotron Devices. Canada is the first country to approve the Sonotron Device for use. Approval is being sought in several other foreign countries.

The Sonotron Device is a patented medical electronic device used for the treatment of inflammatory conditions such as arthritis. ADM Tronics' subsidiary is in the process of gathering data in support of an application which it plans to submit to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to allow marketing of the Sonotron Device in the United States.

ADM Tronics is a diversified, research oriented company involved in two diverse product areas - non-toxic, water-based chemicals and medical electronics. Water-based chemicals are environmentally safe replacements for hazardous chemicals used in food packaging, printing, graphic arts and many other industries. ADM Tronics' water based products cause no hazards to the environment, workers or consumers.

CONTACT: Andre Di Mino, executive vice president of ADM Tronics, (201) 767-6040.

-30- 2473

#90241p9699 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE) officials reported this morning that the energy supply outlook has improved and the company is not anticipating any energy restrictions today, unless an unforeseen event, such as the loss of a generating station or a transmission line, should occur.

The reasons for the improved outlook included a return to service of BG&E's H.A. Wagner No. 4 generating unit and more favorable weather, according to William R. Prince, BG&E's manager of Electric System Operation.

Company officials thanked customers for their energy conservation efforts the past two days and hoped that many will continue to practice energy conservation on an everyday basis.

"Energy conservation not only makes sense, but it will help hold down your utility costs as well," said Prince.

CONTACT: Charles J. Franklin Jr. of Baltimore Gas and Electric, 301-234-7433

-30- 1086

#90241p9701 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald J. Trump and Jessica Morris, general manager, Northeast and Midwest U.S.A. of Air Canada, today signed an agreement for Air Canada to become a tenant in The Trump Shuttle terminal at New York's LaGuardia Airport, effective Oct. 13, 1990. The new arrangement will allow shuttle passengers next-gate connections between Washington National Airport and both Toronto and Montreal.

"Our new allegiance with Air Canada gives their passengers all the advantages Trump Shuttle customers now enjoy -- a superbly located, clean and efficient terminal with close-in parking and gate area services, which are all important to business travelers," said Donald J. Trump, chairman and CEO of The Trump Shuttle. "Additionally, business travelers and tourists flying to and from Washington, D.C. will have the easiest connections available, combining our hourly shuttle flights with Air Canada's up to 14 daily flights to Montreal and Toronto."

The two carriers are developing joint marketing plans for the Washington-Canada market, which is currently underserved.

According to Air Canada's Morris, the facility-sharing agreement will greatly benefit their customers. "We are extremely pleased to have concluded this agreement with The Trump Shuttle. Their terminal is expressly suited to the needs of the business traveler. In addition to the combination of amenities and concession services offered, we expect that both departing and arriving Air Canada passengers will significantly reduce the amount of time spent in the terminal due to the efficient design and layout of the facility," Morris said. "This is important to today's business travelers."

Air Canada's current staff of 50 will continue to process passengers on the airline's 130 weekly flights, with Trump Shuttle employees providing ramp-side ground handling services.

The Trump Shuttle terminal will offer Air Canada's LaGuardia passengers

many enhanced features, including two additional check-in positions; one for the exclusive use of business class travelers (Executive Class) and an "Express" check-in position for ticketed passengers traveling without checked luggage. In addition to the six Air Canada customer service positions in the main terminal area, three additional check-in positions will be available in the departure area.

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#90241p9702 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAMBURG, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Reuters News Service ranks number one among international media groups, according to a survey conducted jointly by Capital, the leading German business magazine and the renowned accountancy firm Arthur Andersen. The survey, Capitalysis will be published in the September issue of Capital.

The next ranks in succession are held by: Paramount, Maxwell, MCA, Capital Cities/ABC, Elsevier, Dun and Bradstreet, Pearson, Daily Mail and News Corp, Thomson, Gannett, Reed, Havas, Mondadori, VNU, Springer, Bertelsmann Hachette and Time Warner.

Capitalysis evaluated in depth profitability, growth rates and financial soundness on the strength of the last four annual statements and balance sheets of the companies reviewed.

Reuters, the survey found, has rapidly expanded to become the leading international supplier of financial data. The globalization of capital markets has given Reuters average annual revenue growth rates of 24 per cent resulting in a yield on operating capital invested of 30 per cent.

Such profitability is topped only by the Paramount Group of the U.S. whose specific strengths are in motion pictures and book publishing and whose financial basis also leaves nothing to be desired. Reuters, however, are superior as far as their growth potential is concerned.

The British Maxwell Group ranks number three with strong growth rates and potential compensating for slightly below average profitability and financing. MCA's strength is its financial situation, that of Capital Cities/ABC growth.

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#90241p9703 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

FRESNO, CA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank of Fresno, a subsidiary of ValliCorp Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ: VALY) and Madera Valley Bank, both of California, today announced that a definitive agreement was signed on Aug. 28, 1990, providing for the acquisition of Madera Valley Bank by Bank of Fresno at a cash price of $14.25 per share. Madera Valley Bank has approximately 423,500 shares outstanding, including shares subject to existing stock options.

Pending regulatory and Madera Valley shareholder approval, a first quarter closing date is projected. In the event the closing does not occur on or before Feb. 1, 1991, interest will be added to the $14.25 cash price at the rate of six percent per annum from Feb. 1, 1991, until closing. The signing of the definitive agreement followed the signing of the non-binding letter of intent and the commencement of acquisition discussions on Aug. 3, 1990.

John Brocks, president and chief executive officer of ValliCorp and Bank of Fresno, stated that "The acquisition of Madera Valley Bank is in concert with ValliCorp's objective to be the dominant local financial institution in California's Central Valley, which stretches from north of Bakersfield to south of Stockton. Madera County's economy is expanding at an unprecedented rate as a result of the fine economic development efforts of the city and county."

Hal Giomi, president and chief executive officer of Madera Valley Bank, stated that "The board of directors is very pleased with its bank's overall growth and profits the past three years. Madera Valley Bank has provided high quality services to its customers and shared in Madera's dynamic economic growth. We believe that our affiliation with ValliCorp and Bank of Fresno will result in expanded benefits and services which community banking provides."

On June 30, 1990, ValliCorp reported total assets of $356,296,000, stockholders' equity of $29,591,000 and 1990 year to date income of $1,267,000. ValliCorp operates two banking subsidiaries: Bank of Fresno, with six branches in Fresno and one each in Clovis, Sanger and Kingsburg; and Merced Bank of Commerce, N.A. which operates one branch in Merced, Calif. ValliCorp's common stock is publicly traded on the NASDAQ National Market Systems under the ticker symbol, VALY.

On June 30, 1990, Madera Valley Bank reported total assets of $39,998,954, total shareholders' equity of $3,591,960 and 1990 year to date income of $242,752. Madera Valley Bank began operations in 1980, operates one branch in Madera and is Madera's only independent community bank. Madera Valley Bank's common stock is traded in the over the counter market.

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673-2271; Gary Strong of Financial Relations Board-Chicago, (312) 266-7800; or Scottie Spurzem of Financial Relations Board-San Francisco, (415) 986-1591.

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#90241p9709 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Polaris Industries Partners L.P. (AMEX: SNO) announced today that it will pay its regular third quarter distribution of $1.25 per unit to holders of record on Sept. 17, 1990. The units will go "ex-dividend" on Tuesday, Sept. 11, 1990. Payment of this distribution will be made on or about Nov. 15, 1990.

This $5 per unit annual level represents a 25 percent current return on the initial public offering price of $20 per unit. All distributions will be conditioned upon continued satisfactory levels of performance and the financial strength of the Partnership and remain within the discretion of the general partner.

Polaris Industries Partners L.P. trades on the American Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange under the symbol "SNO."

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#90241p9710 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Cedar Group Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CDRG), headquartered here, today announced results for its second fiscal quarter ended July 31, 1990, and its first six months of operation as a public company.

For the second fiscal quarter ended July 31, 1990, Cedar Group reported pre-tax profits of $188,328 and net income of $132,574, or $.04 per share. Sales for the second quarter totaled $4,022,853. For the six months, the company reported pre-tax profits of $479,239, and net income $305,285, or $.09 per share.

Although figures for the corresponding fiscal quarter and six-month period ended July 31, 1989, during which time the predecessor company was privately held, are not available, the company said revenues for the entire fiscal year ended Jan. 31, 1990 totaled $12.2 million. The May-June quarter is historically the slowest period of the year for the fastener distribution industry.

According to Stephen S. Simyak, Cedar Group President, "Sales continue to improve even during a time of sluggishness in the overall economy." Simyak

said he expects sales for the full year from current operations to approximate $18 million, which would be an increase of approximately 50 percent from the previous year.

CONTACT: C. Lawrence Rutstein, chairman of the board of Cedar Group, (215) 843-1000, or Mel Tarr, (212) 980-7552, or Ira Weingarten, (805) 968-2135, for Cedar Group.

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#90241p9715 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Net income of Wolters Kluwer went up by 34 percent in the first six months of 1990 (first half 1989: up 25 percent), it was announced today. Part of this rise comes from the contribution of companies acquired in the second half of 1989.

Compared to the same period in 1989, sales increased by eight percent; taking into account both divestments and acquisitions, organic sales growth was five percent, measured in local currencies eight percent.

In the Netherlands there was substantial volume growth in information and scientific publishing. Sales went up in all other countries, too, predominantly in Belgium, France and Spain: in the latter two countries specifically through acquisitions.

Operating income rose by 38 percent from Dfl. 71 million to Dfl. 98 million. In the Netherlands the increase was realized by information, scientific, educational and trade book publishing, while professional training activities stabilized.

Operating income increased substantially in Belgium and in the United Kingdom, and in France and Spain by acquisition effects. Also, activities in the United States and in Germany came up to the company's expectations.

The financing result went up considerably due to increased cash and deposits combined with high interest rates. Under extraordinary items, among other things, the recent divestment of a number of printing companies has been included.

As announced in the 1989 annual report, the revised valuation of publishing rights has now been included under intangible assets with retrospective effect. Publishing rights will not be gradually amortized. The figures for 1989 were revised accordingly.

In the balance sheet of June 30, the recent acquisition of U.S. health care publisher J.B. Lippincott has been included on the basis of preliminary figures. The company said it expects that the Lippincott earnings in the second half of 1990 will balance out against the financing

charges of the acquisition.

For the full year 1990 it is expected that net income will be approximately Dfl. 170 million (1989: Dfl. 140 million): a rise of more than 20 percent.

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#90241p9720 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
FAIRFAX, VA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Scottish Heritable, Inc. (NASDAQ: SHER), a chemical line and limestone producer with operations in Arkansas, Pennsylvania, Texas and Virginia, has announced that negotiations are taking place for the disposal of the aggregates business of Corson Lime Company in Pennsylvania. If these negotiations are brought to a satisfactory conclusion, the proceeds from the sale would eliminate borrowings of the lime division.

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#90241p9728 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
JACKSONVILLE, FL (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - First Union National Bank of Florida and First Union Corporation of Florida have announced the election of Alexander W. Dreyfoos Jr., to their respective boards of directors. Dreyfoos was elected by the boards at their Aug. 23 meeting.

"Alex is a consummate businessman and we are extremely pleased that he has agreed to serve on our boards of directors," said B.J. Walker, chairman and chief executive officer of First Union National Bank of Florida and vice chairman of First Union Corporation. "His input and keen business sense will surely be of great benefit to us as we look toward the future."

Dreyfoos is president, chairman of the board and majority stockholder of Photo Electronics Corporation, headquartered in West Palm Beach, Fla. The company manufactures electronic equipment for the photographic and moving pictures industry and owns WPEC TV-12, the CBS affiliate in West Palm Beach. Other subsidiaries include, LaserColor (photographic) Laboratories, Sailfish Marina, and the Emerald Valley (bottled water) Corporation.

An award winning-inventor, Dreyfoos holds 10 U.S. patents and numerous foreign patents in the fields of electronics and photography. His company has received an Academy Award for one of its inventions, and another invention was selected by the Smithsonian Institution for permanent exhibit in their newest wing entitled, "The Information Age: People, Information and Technology."

Dreyfoos serves as chairman of the Raymond F. Kravis Center for the Performing Arts, a trustee for the MIT Corporation and is an appointee to The Florida Council of 100. In May 1990, he received the prestigious Florida Arts Recognition Award for his leadership role in championing the arts.

He also serves as a director of the Economic Council of Palm Beach County, Good Samaritan Hospital, the Palm Beach County Community Foundation and the Trudeau Institute of New York. He is a member of the board of the Philharmonic Orchestra of Florida and is an active member of the World Business Council.

First Union National Bank of Florida, headquartered in Jacksonville, has assets of $16 billion and 335 banking offices in 33 counties. It is a subsidiary fo Charlotte, N.C.-based First Union Corporation (NYSE: FTU) which as of June 30, 1990, had assets of $38.4 billion and operated banking and financial services offices in 36 states.

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#90241p9729 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

STERLING HEIGHTS, MICH. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - For the price, it's a lot of car. For the times, it offers very good fuel economy. For the record, it is the one millionth air bag-equipped car built by Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C), which underscores Chrysler's world leadership in air bag car production.

The benchmark vehicle was the center of attention in a special rolloff ceremony today at Chrysler's Sterling Heights Assembly Plant.

No. 1 million is a new 1991 Plymouth Sundance "America" model, a glistening white four-door liftback. The compact-size Sundance "America" and its counterpart Dodge Shadow "America" are expected to be the lowest-priced air bag-equipped cars available in the U.S. market this fall the two-door at $7,599(a), the four-door $7,799.

The newly built America model was driven off the line by Mrs. Ronald (Jan) Gardner of St. Clair, Mich., and John B. Damoose, vice president of Marketing, Chrysler Corporation. Gardner is a survivor of an accident and credits the air bag in her Chrysler car with saving her life.

Damoose quoted Chrysler Chairman Lee A. Iacocca in referring to Chrysler's early 1988 decision to equip its cars with air bags:

"I had my doubts about air bags," Iacocca said, "but today's new technology made me a believer. You won't hear any more beefs about air bags from me. The engineers told me that the time is right, and the technology is right. So, on May 15 (1988), we began installing driver's side air bags, at no extra cost, on Chrysler LeBaron coupe and convertible Chrysler Fifth Avenue, Dodge Daytona, Dodge Diplomat and Plymouth Gran Fury. By 1990, we'll have air bag safety systems standard on every passenger car Chrysler Corporation builds in the U.S."

Damoose said, "We're there. In the two years since we began installing them, Chrysler has become the world leader in air bag- equipped cars, surpassing all of our competitors, domestics and imports. 'Advantage: Chrysler.'

"Our long-range goal is to have air bags not only in all our cars, but to introduce air bags in most of our trucks in the mid-'90s."

Damoose said positive customer response to air bags has increased dramatically. He gave examples of customers crediting air bags with saving their lives.

Gardner is one of several customers who commented about their air bag experiences in nationwide television testimonial commercials with Iacocca.

In the commercial, Gardner said, "on Dec. 1, 1989, I found myself in a head-on collision ... I walked away, thanks to a Chrysler air bag. It saved my life ..."

Also participating in the rolloff ceremony were: UAW Local 1700 President Melvin Caldwell, who represented the production employees; Plant Manager Dur Roller and W.R. (Randy) Edwards, manager-Safety Systems for Chrysler Corporation.

Damoose said the focus of the rolloff on the new "America" models was particularly significant because it provides standard equipment air bag protection for the lower-price car buyers.

Damoose said the base price of the America model is almost $1,200 less than the base Shadow/Sundance 1990 models, but still would include such standard equipment as an electronic fuel injected 2.2-liter engine, five-speed manual transaxle, power steering, power brakes and air bag among its many other features.

Estimated EPA fuel economy for the base model is 25 mpg city and 31 on the highway. The drive train also is backed by Chrysler's seven-year/70,000-mile limited warranty.

(a) -- tentative MSRPs

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#90241p9730 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDDLEBURY, CONN. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - General DataComm Industries, Inc. (NYSE: GDC) today announced that it has executed a two- year extension of its existing master supply agreement with MCI Telecommunications (MCI) in which GDC anticipates that MCI will purchase a number of GDC products and services before December 1991. Based on current purchasing levels, GDC estimates the value of the extension to be in the multimillion dollar range. Of that amount, several million dollars of equipment has already been ordered, with more anticipated for shipment to MCI by December 1990.

The contract calls for MCI to order a variety of equipment from the full range of GDC's product families. These products include digital data sets, T-1 multiplexers, multispeed analog modems, time-division multiplexers, network management devices, and other ancillary networking products such as cabinets, shelves, bays, etc. The equipment will be used by MCI to enhance the data transmission capabilities of its own internal voice and data network.

"This is a major step forward in expanding our domestic business in the telephone industry," said Charles P. Johnson, chairman and chief executives officer of General DataComm. "We are very pleased that GDC products and functionality have been recognized by MCI as a critical component in MCI's own strategy to offer its customers the best in data transmission capability."

MCI Communications (NASDAQ: MCI) is the second largest telecommunications carrier in the United States. Founded in 1968 it was instrumental in bringing about competition in the U.S. long-distance telephone environment prior to and after the dismantling of AT&T. At the end of 1989, MCI had revenues of $6.47 billion.

General DataComm (NYSE: GDC) is a leading provider of systems, solutions, equipment and services for information networks worldwide. Based in Middlebury, Conn., GDC services a broad base of corporate customers and telephone operating companies throughout the Americas, Europe, Australia, the Far East and the Pacific Rim. In its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1989, the company reported revenues of $201.2 million.

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#90241p9732 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, NJ (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Public Service Electric and Gas Co. (PSE&G) and NJ Transit today signed a contract that will put five clean-burning natural gas-powered buses on the streets of New Jersey in a project that could lead to long-term energy and environmental benefits for the state's residents.

The contract, which is designed to test the feasibility and performance of the natural gas-powered buses in an urban setting, calls for PSE&G to construct a compressed natural gas refueling station at NJ Transit's Orange bus garage.

NJ Transit will use a grant from the federal Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) to purchase five wheelchair-equipped, dedicated natural gas-fueled buses. The buses will begin rolling early next year and NJ Transit will operate them as part of its regular fleet.

"PSE&G is pleased and excited to join NJ Transit in this project," said Rudolph D. Stys, senior vice president of PSE&G's gas business unit. The environmental benefits of using natural gas as a vehicle fuel are becoming increasingly more evident - and more important - as New Jersey and the nation work to improve air quality. This is especially true in urban areas.

"Recent events in the Middle East," Stys continued, "also are a stern reminder that America's energy security requires that we reduce our dependence on foreign oil. Natural gas is a domestic fuel and is in ample supply. With these factors in mind, the time is right for this project."

"NJ Transit operates the second-largest public bus fleet in the nation and these five compressed natural gas powered buses will give us firsthand operating experience with this promising new technology," said Albert Hasbrouck, NJ Transit's assistant executive director-corporate affairs.

"Mass transit is a key solution to reducing air pollution. Taking the bus instead of driving your car cuts vehicle emissions anywhere from 15 to 90 percent. This program will provide additional reductions in vehicle emissions from our buses, thereby expanding the gap between buses and automobiles even further."

Under terms of the contract, PSE&G will bear the costs of constructing the compressed natural gas refueling station at NJ Transit's bus garage in Orange. PSE&G also will provide all necessary gas and electric service lines. NJ Transit will purchase natural gas from PSE&G under the existing large volume rate.

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#90241p9733 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
HARTFORD, CONN. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Northeast Federal Corp. (NYSE: NSB) today omitted the quarterly cash dividend on both issues of the company's preferred stock.

This includes the company's $2.25 cumulative convertible preferred stock, Series A which is held by individual stockholders, and the adjustable rate cumulative preferred stock which is held by the FSLIC Resolution Fund of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Northeast Federal is the holding company for Northeast Savings, F.A., which initially suspended the dividend on these issues on Feb. 16, 1990, for the quarter ended March 31, 1990.

Commenting on the decision, George P. Rutland, Northeast chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "While we are now in regulatory compliance with the current capital standards, we are also just now turning the corner toward profitability. Therefore, the board of directors and I believe that it is in our best interest to prove ourselves for some period of time before we reconsider the declaration of dividends."

He continued, "Because the dividend on the preferred stock is cumulative, it will be paid in full as soon as we feel it is appropriate to reinstate it."

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#90241p9734 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
WAUKEGAN, ILL. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Outboard Marine Corp. (OMC) (NYSE: OM) today announced that it will transfer manufacturing operations for its Donzi boat line from Donzi Marine Corp.'s Tallevast, Fla., plant to an existing OMC boat plant in Swansboro, N.C., this fall.

Donzi's marketing, sales, engineering and technical support groups will remain in Tallevast, OMC said.

The Swansboro boat plant, which will produce OMC's Hydra-Sports line of offshore fishing boats, also will produce Donzi boats on separate production lines.

"We are not seeing any easing of the industry-wide reduction in demand for marine products," said Dennis E. McArdle, vice president of OMC and

president of the OMC Boat Group. "In this market environment, and at Donzi's current production volume, we can best support Donzi's profit objectives by moving its manufacturing operations into another boat plant and eliminating the cost of maintaining its present plant."

Donzi President Gordon Houser said that the transfer of boat building operations will not compromise Donzi's reputation for quality.

"The Donzi name has been synonymous with excellence in design, construction and performance," Houser said. "We owe much of that reputation to the dedication of our employees here in Manatee County. We greatly appreciate their contributions," Houser said.

"But, by maintaining our engineering and technical staffs here, and by setting up dedicated production lines for the lamination and assembly of Donzi boats at our new location, we will ensure that our products continue to reflect our commitment to quality," he said.

"Donzi has built a reputation among boaters as the premier luxury performance boat," Houser said. "More recently, we've staked a solid claim in the luxury fishing boat market. We aim to maintain those positions in the marketplace. This transfer of production is important to achieving that goal."

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#90241p9739 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHENIX CITY, AL (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Stephen W. Adair, 42, has been named vice president-sales of Southern Phenix Textiles, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Johnston Industries, Inc. (NYSE: JII), it was announced here today. He had been national sales manager of the company's industrial fabrics division.

Prior to joining Southern Phenix more than a year ago, Adair was associated with West Point Pepperell and has had 20 years of experience in sales and marketing of industrial fabrics. He is currently president of the United States Industrial Fabrics Institute and a member of the board of directors of the Industrial Fabrics Association International.

Johnston Industries, Inc. produces and distributes textile fabrics primarily for the industrial and home furnishings markets and, to some extent, for basic apparel items.

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#90241p9742 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALMDALE, CALIF. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Company provided the first public view of its prototype of the YF-22 Advanced Tactical Fighter (ATF) in a press conference here today.

Lockheed, teamed with General Dynamics-Fort Worth Division and Boeing Military Airplanes Division, has designed, manufactured and will flight test two prototypes of the fighter under one of two $818 million contracts from the U.S. Air Force.

The first news media showing of the sleek aircraft took place inside a huge production hangar here. After remarks by several Air Force general officers and Lockheed team executives, the curtains were raised, revealing the aircraft to the news media for the first time.

The ATF contract was awarded to the Lockheed team in October 1986, beginning a 54-month demonstration-validation phase, which includes construction of two flyable prototype aircraft, designated the YF-22.

General Electric and Pratt & Whitney are competing for the opportunity to build engines for the ATF. As part of that competition, one of the Lockheed team's prototypes will be powered by a set of engines from Pratt & Whitney; the other prototype will fly with engines from General Electric.

Under a unique teaming agreement, Lockheed is serving as prime contractor with Boeing and General Dynamics as team members. This teaming arrangement, unprecedented in such a large aircraft program, was developed to take advantage of the expertise, production capability and broad-experience base of the three companies.

During the demonstration-validation phase, the companies will share work and program costs equally and will submit their proposal for ATF full-scale development and production in December 1990. The Air Force is expected to announce selection next spring of one of two competing system designs for the ATF program. Ultimately, 750 ATFs are expected to be procured by the Air Force. In addition, the Navy is also expected to buy up to 546 Navy variants of the ATF as a replacement for its F-14D fighters.

The majority of work during this demonstration-validation phase has been accomplished at LASC's facility in Burbank, Calif.; General Dynamics in Fort Worth, Texas; and at Boeing in Seattle. ATF production will be headquartered in Marietta, Ga., if the Lockheed team is chosen the winner.

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#90241p9744 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

STOUGHTON, MASS. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Zina Garrison, the top-ranked American-born women's tennis player in the world, will be wearing the Reebok colors at the U.S. Open. Rob Apatoff, vice president of promotions announced here today that Garrison has signed a contract with Reebok International Ltd. (NYSE: RBK) to endorse and promote Reebok tennis shoes and apparel.

Garrsion, who was a finalist at Wimbledon in July, will participate in Reebok product development and testing. She will also be active in the Reebok Urban Youth Tennis Academy, a program sponsored by Reebok that provides tennis instruction and educational counseling to inner-city youth.

"Zina's outstanding talent, her courage and determination on the court and her sense of social responsibility make her an ideal spokesperson for Reebok," says Apatoff. "She's a graduate of the Urban Youth Tennis Academy of Houston and will continue to be an active supporter of the program."

Born in Houston, Garrison was introduced to tennis in 1973 by John Wilkerson, a local coach who was running an after-school tennis program at a community center in McGregor Park. She was 11. Her natural talent was apparent from the start, and by 1981, she was the world's top-ranked junior player having captured both the Junior U.S. Open and Junior Wimbledon. She joined the pro tour in 1982 at the French Open and was quickly ranked among the top ten women's players in the world.

She has been a constant threat in Grand Slam events since 1983 when she was a semi-finalist at the Australian Open. She was a semi-finalist at Wimbledon in 1985, and twice at the U.S. Open in 1988 and 1989. She was the mixed-doubles champion at the Australian Open in 1989 and at Wimbledon in 1990, where she lost the singles title to Martina Navratilova. In her eight years on the pro circuit she has won 10 major tournaments, and has been a finalist or semi- finalist in 11 more.

Reebok International, Ltd., headquartered in Stoughton, Mass., is one of the leading designers and marketers of active lifestyle and performance products, including footwear and apparel. The company's operating units include the Reebok footwear and apparel divisions, the Rockport, Avia and Boston Whaler boats divisions. Sales for 1989 totaled $1.822 billion.

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#90241p9745 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Interphase Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: INPH) announced today that it has re-evaluated its investment in OMNI Solutions, Inc., a majority-owned subsidiary of Interphase which has manufactured high-performance file server products for the Sun Microsystems and NFS markets. The company attributed the significant delays in OMNI's product development and high start-up costs as the reasons for its actions. Effective Sept. 1, 1990, OMNI will cease active operations as an independent company. However, Interphase plans to provide customer support for OMNI's products in the marketplace.

The company expects to write off its investment in OMNI in its fiscal quarter ended July 31, 1990, which will result in an estimated one-time charge (including losses from OMNI's operations during the quarter) to net income of $2,800,000 or approximately $.85 per common share.

Interphase President Michael E. Cope stated, "We made an equity investment in OMNI during 1989. Recent results of OMNI's operations indicated we should write-off our investment at this time. Interphase's core business remained profitable during the third quarter. Since we will no longer be incurring losses associated with OMNI operations, we expect to report a profit for the fourth quarter ending October 31."

CONTACT: Michael E. Cope, president, Interphase Corporation, 214-919-9000

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#90241p9747 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (NYSE: CHV) announced a decrease in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The decrease of $3 per barrel was effective yesterday, Aug. 28, at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay: $26.50 for West Texas Intermediate $24.50 for West Texas Sour $26.50 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore)

New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E45. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90241p9749 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DARTMOUTH, NOVA SCOTIA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Dominion Biologicals Limited, a subsidiary of Murex Clinical Technologies Corporation (V.MCI), today announced that it has begun shipping Murex Corporation's new SUDSI (Single Use Diagnostic System) AIDS HIV-1 Antibody test to locations outside of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) jurisdiction including Thailand, Hong Kong, Singapore, and Turkey. Murex Corporation is Dominion's U.S.-based sister company.

Dominion also announced that over the next several weeks it will begin shipping to other countries including Argentina, Malaysia and Spain. Dominion will continue to introduce the SUDS AIDS test through December of 1990 to other appropriate international markets.

MurexI and SUDSI are registered trademarks of Murex Corporation, Norcross, Ga.

The SUDS AIDS test -- developed by Murex Corporation -- detects the presence of antibodies generated by the body in response to infection by the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV-1), the causative agent of AIDS. Employing Murex's patented SUDS format, the new HIV-1 Antibody test provides speed and ease of use combined with excellent specificity, reproducibility and sensitivity. The Murex SUDS AIDS test is an easily performed, visually read colormetic assay which does not require extensive training or specialized instrumentation to interpret the test result. The test is completed in ten minutes and the appearance of a distinct blue dot in the color reaction viewing zone at the bottom of the SUDS test cartridge indicates a positive test.

Murex has successfully completed pre-clinical and clinical trials for the SUDS AIDS test and filed a product application in January with the FDA. Murex also filed an establishment license application with the FDA in order to manufacture the SUDS AIDS test at its Atlanta facility. In the interim, Dominion Biologicals, located in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, is manufacturing and distributing the SUDS AIDS test to selected markets outside Canada and the United States through its network of international distributors.

Murex Clinical Technologies is the parent Company of Murex Corporation headquartered in Norcross, Georgia and Dominion Biologicals Limited of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. Murex Corporation is an immunodiagnostics systems company focused on the development, manufacture and marketing of novel, rapid in vitro testing systems and products to diagnose and monitor human diseases, including AIDS. Dominion Biologicals Limited is a dominant supplier in Canada of blood typing and grouping reagents utilized in blood transfusion practices.

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#90241p9752 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - TCF Financial Corporation (TCF) (NYSE: TCB) today announced that the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) has completed its on-site examination of TCF's loan portfolio.

According to TCF Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William A. Cooper, "Although the final exam results will not be issued by the OTS until this fall, we've been advised that the OTS concurs with the previously announced results of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) examination," said Cooper.

The three-month OTS examination of TCF's loans, real estate owned, compliance procedures, and holding company immediately followed a three-month first-time examination by the FDIC. Following the FDIC exam, TCF recorded a $25 million second quarter provision for loan and real estate losses, largely as a result of that examination. At June 30, TCF's reserves totaled $34 million.

In other news, TCF announced that the merger of its Texas thrift subsidiary, TCF Banc Savings Association, with TCF Bank Savings fsb (TCF Bank) was completed on Aug. 17. The simultaneous merger and closing of the Texas thrift resulted from TCF's decision to concentrate resources in the Midwest.

TCF is the holding company for TCF Bank, the third largest banking institution headquartered in Minnesota. TCF Bank has 56 branches in Minnesota and 20 branches in northern Illinois.

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Used in a wide-range of applications, Murex's SUDS test cartridge is a patented, disposable, hand-held unit in which a patient's sample and reagents are mixed. To date, SUDS tests for Group A Strep, Rubella and Toxoplasmosis gondi have received FDA approval and are being commercially marketed.

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#90241p9758 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW BRITAIN, CT (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Today, the Stanley Works' (NYSE: SWK) board of directors authorized a 12 percent increase in the

third-quarter dividend.

The payment of $.30 per share, up from the second-quarter dividend of $.27 per share, reflects Stanley's confidence in future prospects and its commitment to keep stockholders ahead of inflation for the long term. The announcement was made by Richard H. Ayers, chairman and chief executive officer.

Ayers added: "The board also authorized the purchase of up to three million shares of stock. The board feels that Stanley's stock is undervalued. At the present price range, the stock offers an attractive investment opportunity for the company's strong cash flow."

The present level of shares outstanding is 42.2 million. The board action gives the company authorization to buy back 7.8 percent of the shares from time to time on the open market or otherwise.

The third-quarter dividend payment continues Stanley's record of consecutive quarterly dividend payments to stockholders since the second quarter of 1895. The dividend payment will be made on Sept. 29, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 10. The dividend increase projected for 1990 will be the 23rd consecutive year that Stanley has increased dividend payments.

The Stanley Works is a worldwide supplier of tools, hardware, and other products for home improvement and consumer use, as well as industrial and professional use.

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#90241p9764 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - E-Systems, Inc. (NYSE: ESY) announced today an agreement to acquire the HRB Systems, Inc. subsidiary of the Hadson Corporation (NYSE: HAD) based in Oklahoma City.

HRB Systems, Inc. with about 1,300 employees was founded in 1947. The company is headquartered in State College, Pa., with offices in the Washington, D.C. area. Sales in 1989 were approximately $113 million.

"This acquisition will further complement and expand our position in the advanced intelligence and reconnaissance systems marketplace, an area which we believe has and will become increasingly important in today's environment," said E.G. Keiffer, chairman and chief executive officer of E-Systems.

"The addition of HRB will give us access to new customers, emerging

programs, and provide synergistic opportunities which we expect will result in a positive future contribution to our earnings. This acquisition is entirely consistent with our strategy of key niche acquisitions in our core business as was the case with Engineering Research Associates, located in Vienna, Va., which was acquired last August."

"The deserved reputation of HRB in our industry, as well as in the customer community, is exceptional. We recognize that the people of HRB are the reason for this," Keiffer said.

HRB provides key elements for ground based signal collection, processing, analysis and fusion systems. They also participate in the development of command, control, communications and intelligence systems for strategic warning and tactical applications.

HRB will be a wholly owned subsidiary of E-Systems. M.D. Keebaugh, president of HRB, will become vice president and general manager of the new subsidiary reporting to the office of the president of E-Systems.

E-Systems, is a major worldwide developer and producer of electronic systems and products in the areas of intelligence, reconnaissance and surveillance systems, command and control, electronic warfare, specialized aircraft maintenance and modification, guidance, navigation and control, communications and data systems.

CONTACT: John E. Kumpf of E-Systems, 214-661-1000

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#90241p9768 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DARIEN, CT (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Transact International Inc. (NASDAQ: TACT) today announced a profit for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, compared with a loss for the first three months of fiscal 1990.

For the three months ended July 31, 1990, sales from continuing operations rose 63 percent to $2,843,529 from $1,748,186 for the same period of the prior fiscal year. Net income for the first quarter of the current fiscal year was $154,552 or three cents per share, compared to a loss of $236,054 or four cents per share a year earlier. The loss in last year's first quarter was after a profit of $1,108 from discontinued operations.

Commenting on the results, Frank B. Carder, president of Transact, said: "This is the fourth consecutive quarter in which we've shown a profit. Over the past twelve months we've had net income of approximately $664,000 or 11 cents per share. This, combined with an increase of over $1.2 million in our order backlog, are strong indicators that the company will have a successful fiscal 1991."

Carder noted that the company's backlog of orders rose to approximately $8.9 million as of July 31, 1990, from approximately $7.7 million a year earlier. New bookings during the first quarter were approximately $6.4 million, including a $3.9 million contract for a new air cargo handling facility at Hickam Air Force Base in Hawaii.

Transact International is a specialized design, engineering and manufacturing organization, producing air cargo handling systems and equipment for airlines, air freight companies, airport authorities and the U.S. Air Force.

The company's executive offices are in Darien, Conn., which is also headquarters for Transpark, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary which designs and markets computerized robotic car parking systems. Transact's manufacturing facilities are in Memphis, Tenn.

TRANSACT INTERNATIONAL INC. & SUBSIDIARIES
(Consolidated, Unaudited Statement of Operations)

Three months ended July 31,	1990	1989
Continuing operations:		
Net sales	$2,843,529	$1,748,186
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of sales	2,176,129	1,428,956
Selling and administration	478,058	390,265
Computerized robotic car parking	30,849	99,372
Total	2,685,036	1,918,593
Income (loss) from operations	158,493	(170,407)
Other income (expenses):		
Interest expense	(12,057)	(68,350)
Other income	8,116	1,595
Total	(3,941)	(66,755)
Income (loss) from cont. operations	154,552	(237,162)
Income from discontinued operations(A)	---	1 108
Net income (loss)	$154,552	$(236,054)
Per share of common stock:		
Income (loss) from cont. operations	$0.03	$(0.04)
Income from discontinued operations(A)	--	0.00
Net income (loss)	$0.03	$(0.04)
Weighted average shares outstanding	6,093,235	6,093,235

(A) - The Telecommunications Division, sold in July 1989, and the Contract Services Division, sold in October 1989, are treated as discontinued operations.

CONTACT: John Nicoletti of Transact International, (203) 656-0777, or George Auerbach of George Auerbach Public Relations, (201) 944-5544, for Transact.

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#90241p9769 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Following an agreement with trade unions, the Rover Group will introduce Britain's first around-the-clock auto production schedule.

The added shifts will aid in meeting production demands for the new Rover 200 hatchbacks and Rover 400 sedans and in the manufacture of the new K-series engine and associated gearbox.

The new production schedule has created an extra 1,200 jobs at its Longbridge factory.

Following the highly successful launch of these products, production will be progressively increased to more than 5,000 vehicles a week from the current level of about 3,000.

Rover will implement a variety of unique work schedules allowing more time off and eliminating unpopular Friday night/Saturday shifts without affecting pay averages.

The Longbridge production schedule is only the second around-the- clock working arrangement in the European motor industry.

CONTACT: Michael Geylin or Stuart Schorr, 212-315-4900, both of Kermish-Geylin, for Rover Group

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#90241p9770 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
IRVING, TX (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Michaels Stores Inc. (AMEX: MKE) announced today that its sales in August 1990, which ended Aug. 26, 1990, increased approximately 19.4 percent over August 1989 to $22.1 million from $18.5 million. Sales by Michaels stores in operation in August of both years increased approximately 4.6 percent to $18.8 million in 1990 from $18.0 million in 1989.

Michaels Stores Inc. owns and operates a chain of 133 specialty retail stores located in 18 states in the southern half and Midwestern sections of the United States which feature a wide selection of competitively priced home decoration and arts and crafts items. The company's headquarters is located in Irving, Texas, and its stock is listed on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol MKE.

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#90241p9777 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Glaxo Inc. and Research Triangle Institute (RTI) signed an agreement today that gives the pharmaceutical company worldwide development and marketing rights to a class of compounds derived from nature that may prove useful in fighting cancer.

Under the agreement, Glaxo received an exclusive worldwide license to camptothecin analogues invented at Research Triangle Institute, an independent applied research organization based near the company's headquarters in Research Triangle Park, N.C. In return, Glaxo will provide a grant to RTI to support research into the compounds and agreed to pay royalties to the Institute. The terms of the grant and the royalty arrangement were not disclosed. The analogues' parent compound, camptothecin, is isolated from Camptotheca acuminata, a variety of tree that grows in China.

The synthetically produced analogues have key differences in their chemical structures, resulting in a new compound that may prove useful against cancer.

Glaxo officials said camptothecin analogues have shown promise in inhibiting an enzyme required for cell replication. They added that in early tests the compounds appear to work through a different mechanism than anti-cancer drugs currently available.

"We're obviously pleased with the opportunity to explore compounds that may show activity in an area where new therapies are so desperately needed " said Charles A. Sanders, M.D., Glaxo Inc.'s chief executive officer. "One of our key strategies is to provide new treatments for unmet patient needs, and this agreement holds promise in helping us fulfill that goal."

Dr. Monroe E. Wall, RTI's chief scientist for chemistry and life sciences, said the partnership is good not only for both organizations, but also for cancer sufferers who may benefit in the future. "Taking a compound into the clinic and possibly to market involves resources far beyond what the Institute could provide alone," he said. "We're delighted with Glaxo's involvement."

About 1 million new cases of cancer are diagnosed each year in the United States. It is the country's second leading cause of death, after cardiovascular disease.

Sanders added that Glaxo's acquisition of rights to camptothecin analogues was further evidence of the company's commitment to cancer research.

Glaxo researches, develops, manufactures and markets prescription medicines, including those for the treatment of gastrointestinal disorders respiratory ailments, cardiovascular diseases, infectious diseases and diseases of the skin. Glaxo Inc. is a subsidiary of London-based Glaxo Holdings p.l.c. (NYSE: GLX).

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#90241p9792 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKEWOOD, COLO. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Plains Petroleum Co. (NYSE: PLP) today announced that it had reached agreement with the purchaser of approximately 85 percent of its natural gas production for wellhead prices to be charged under base contracts for 1991. The annually renegotiated price for 1991 will vary from a high of $1.95 per million Btu (MMBtu) for sales made in the high demand season in the winter and late fall to $1.65 MMBtu in the low demand season. Assuming normal weather, the expected average price for 1991 for the base contracts is $1.80 MMBtu or approximately 2 percent less than the current year price of $1.84 MMBtu.

After satisfaction of purchases required under the base contracts, Plains will supply up to an additional 1.7 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of gas at a special market incentive wellhead price of $1.40 MMBtu exclusively during the low demand season. This special incentive gas is covered under a separate one year "best efforts" agreement and will be produced principally from the Company's Kansas Hugoton reserves.

With the new "best efforts" contract included, Plains estimates that 1991 gas volumes sold and revenues received from its principal purchaser would increase by approximately 17 1/2 percent and 12 1/2 percent respectively, over its current 1990 forecasted volumes of 18 Bcf and revenues of approximately $33 million.

Plains, a Colorado based company, produces, develops and explores for oil and gas in the Midcontinent, Permian Basin, Gulf Coast and Rocky Mountain Regions of the United States. The company also maintains offices in Lakin, Kan. and Midland, Texas.

CONTACT: Darrel Reed of Plains Petroleum Co., 303-969-9325; or Jim Fingeroth or Tracey Stearns both of Kekst and Co. for Plains Petroleum, 212-593-2655

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#90241p9794 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Washington Scientific Industries (NASDAQ: WSCI) announced today that its board of directors declared its

regular quarterly cash dividend of five cents per share, payable Oct. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record on October 10, 1990.

Washington Scientific Industries is a Minn.-based provider of high precision manufacturing services for a variety of industries. The company's Contract Manufacturing Division produces metal components and subassemblies in three plants located in Minnesota and California, and its Advanced Custom Molders subsidiary produces thermoplastic injection molded components in two Texas plants.

CONTACT: Jack Falker of Swenson/Falker Associates Inc., 612-371-0000, for Washington Scientific Industries; or Bernard Kinney of Washington Scientific Industries, 612-473-1271

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#90241p9797 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWALK, CONN. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Perkin-Elmer Corporation (NYSE: PKN) today reported increased orders, sales, earnings and earnings per share in its fourth quarter ending July 31, 1990. Orders grew by 13 percent to $236.3 million versus $209.3 million in the prior year; sales were $227.2 million compared with $211.6 million; income was $13.6 million or 38 cents per share, compared with $13.2 million or 30 cents per share, with fewer average shares outstanding at fiscal year end 1990.

Similar comparisons for the fiscal year were: orders $845.3 million in 1990, an increase of 9 percent over $773.3 million in 1989; sales $837.7 million compared with $784.2 million; income $44.2 million, or $1.10 per share, versus $46.9 million, or $1.08 per share, a year ago.

During fiscal year 1990, the company completed a restructuring program, announced in April 1989, which included the sale of discontinued business units and the repurchase of 10.1 million shares of its common stock in a "Dutch Auction" self-tender.

"I am pleased that in the fourth quarter we began to see the fruits of our restructuring efforts," said Horace G. McDonell, chairman and chief executive officer. "In addition to the benefits of the share repurchase, there have been operational improvements as our refocused management priorities start to show results. Cash flow is much stronger, expense growth is being contained, and, most important, our new instrument products are accelerating order growth in a pretty tough market environment.

"We are concerned about conditions in the Middle East and their impact on the world economy and on our business. On the other hand, we enter our new fiscal year with an experienced management team focused on our core business, and without the distractions of a major restructuring. Our aim

is to continue building momentum."

Backlog at year-end was $158.4 million versus $126.5 million a year ago.
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#90241p9799 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
YOUNGSTOWN, OH (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Commercial Intertech Corp. (NASDAQ: CTEK) announced sales of $115,083,000, and net income of $11,705,000, or $0.90 a share, for the company's quarter ending July 31, 1990. A year ago the company reported third quarter sales of $107,719,000 and net income of $5,754,000, or $0.47 a share.

For the first nine months of the fiscal year sales were $325,629,000, net income $21,559,000 and earnings per share $1.59. For the same period a year ago, sales were $318,958,000 and net income was $14,645,000, or $1.22 per share.

Included in net income is a gain from the settlement of a patent infringement suit filed against the Pall Corporation of Glen Cove, N.Y. The net gain after legal expenses amounted to $6.5 million, or $0.54 a share, in the quarter and $5.9 million, or $0.50 a share, for the nine months to date.

The company also announced that it will reinstitute its stock repurchase program. Commercial's board of directors today authorized the purchase of up to 500,000 shares in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions.

The company previously had completed the repurchase of 2,500,000 shares. Paul Powers, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said, "We continue to remain confident of the long-term prospects for our business. The current depressed market price of Commercial's shares represents an undervaluation and provides an attractive opportunity for the company to re-acquire shares economically."

Sales in the third quarter were up 6.8 percent over last year mainly on the strength of much higher Astron building sales as well as higher sales of hydraulic components.

Net income from operations (excluding the Pall recovery) declined by 21 percent, however, due to lower margins on hydraulic sales, losses in certain divisions of the Fluid Purification Group and non-recurring charges relating to product launching costs, plant closures and obsolete asset write-offs.

For the year-to-date, sales were up 2.1 percent. Sales by Astron and the

hydraulics group, which benefited by the addition of a U.K. valve business acquired in late 1989, provided most of the gain. Net income from operations declined 6.3 percent from a year ago.

The sale of the Underground Support Division in 1989 gave rise to lost sales and lost net income in 1990, and income in the Fluid Purification Group also suffered from lower volume in the U.S.

Powers noted, "Because of the uncertainties of the Middle East crisis, the company is continuing to adjust its operating costs and asset expenditures consistent with sales and order rates. During the past year, close control of operations produced a modest sales increase while worldwide employment was reduced by 3 percent. Presently, our order backlog remains up, with an order rate 3.8 percent higher than the same period last year."

Commercial Intertech Corp. is a leading multinational producer of hydraulic components, fluid purification products, and metal products.

COMMERCIAL INTERTECH CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED INCOME
(in thousands except per share data)

Three Months Ended July 31,	1990	1989
Net sales	$115,083	$107,719
Less costs and expenses:		
Cost of products sold	77,791	71,056
Selling, administrative and general expenses	23,019	23,279
Operating income	14,273	13,384
Non-operating income (expense):		
Interest expense	(1,803)	(1,378)
Other, net	7,746	(522)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	20,216	11,484
Provision for income taxes	8,511	5,052
Income from continuing operations	11,705	6,432
(Loss) on discontinued operation	0	(678)
Net income	11,705	5,754
Per share of common stock:		
Primary:		
Income from continuing operations	$.97	$.54
Net income	$.97	$.49
Fully diluted:		
Income from continuing operations	$.90	$.52
Net income	$.90	$.47
Cash dividends per share	$.17	$.15

Nine Months Ended July 31,	1990	1989

Net sales	$325,629	$318,958
Less costs and expenses:		
Cost of products sold	222,051	213,687
Selling, administrative and general expenses	69,610	68,497
Operating income	33,968	36,774
Non-operating income (expense):		
Interest expense	(3,913)	(5,712)
Other, net	9,465	(2,065)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	39,520	28,997
Provision for income taxes	17,961	12,533
Income from continuing operations	21,559	16,464
(Loss) on discontinued operation	0	(1,819)
Net income	21,559	14,645
Per share of common stock:		
Primary:		
Income from continuing operations	$1.59	$1.42
Net income	$1.59	$1.27
Fully diluted:		
Income from continuing operations	$1.59	$1.36
Net income	$1.59	$1.22
Cash dividends per share	$.49	$.45

This report is subject to audit and to adjustments found necessary in the course of the fiscal year.

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#90241p9802 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Wainoco Oil Corp. (NYSE: WOL) today announced completion of a horizontally drilled Austin Chalk oil discovery in Dimmit County, Texas. Pinnacle Royalty and Operating Co.'s G.W. Hatch No. 2 flowed 1,758 barrels of oil and 984 MCF of gas on a 24-hour test through a 32/64 inch choke with tubing pressure of 460 psi. The well was drilled 3,533 feet horizontally in the Austin Chalk Formation at a vertical depth of approximately 6,794.

Wainoco owns a 12.5 percent working interest in the well and the surrounding 3,800 acre lease block.

Wainoco also reported that of three other wells in which it is participating in the vicinity of the No. 2 Hatch, two are in the process of completion and one is currently drilling.

Wainoco Oil Corp. is a publicly held oil and gas exploration and production company with operations throughout North America. Wainoco's common shares are listed on the New York and Alberta Stock Exchanges.

CONTACT: Carolyn Rogan of Wainoco Oil Corp., 713-658-9900.

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#90241p9808 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUTTE, MN (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Montana Power Co. (MPC) (NYSE: MTP) today has been granted a $30.5 million annual increase in electric revenues on an interim basis by the Montana Public Service Commission (PSC) effective Aug. 29, MPC announced. MPC requested a total of $60.7 million in added electric utility revenues in its June 27th filing.

The interim electric rate increase is partially offset by a scheduled $8.3 million reduction which becomes effective Aug. 29 as part of 1985 Rate Moderation Plan phasing in Colstrip Unit 3 costs. The net effect is a 6.9 percent increase in rates.

The PSC is expected to act shortly on MPC's request for a $5.6 million interim increase for its natural gas utility. The company requested a total $9.6 million annual increase in its natural gas revenues.

A final PSC order on the combined filing is expected in mid-1991.

CONTACT: Russell J. Cox of Montana Power Co., 406-723-5421, ext. 2240.

-30- 1108

#90241p9813 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Andrew J. Soffel, Crowley's president and chief executive officer, announced the results for the second quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990.

Sales for the quarter declined 2.0 percent to $21,829,955 from $22,268,665 for the comparable period last year. A net loss of $1,466,623, or $2.88 per share, was recorded compared with a net loss of $868,144, or $1.71 per share, for the second quarter last year.

For the six months, sales were up less than 1 percent to $47,086,359 from $46,696,956 last year. A net loss of $1,982,773, or $3.89 per share, was recorded for the six-month period compared with a net loss of $1,449,559, or $2.85 per share, last year.

Soffel attributed the results to increased promotional costs and the general economic uncertainty in the marketplace.

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#90241p9817 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - ADC Telecommunications, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADCT) announced the following third quarter and nine month results today (dollars in thousands except earnings per share):

	Quarters Ended		Percent
	7/31/90	7/31/89	Increase
Orders	$66,115	$52,100	26.9
Net Sales	$65,814	$50,047	31.5
Earnings per share	$.44	$.31	41.9

	Nine Months Ended		Percent
	7/31/90	7/31/89	Increase
Orders	$189,344	$141,827	33.5
Net Sales	$188,052	$137,339	36.9
Earnings Per Share	$1.24	$.85	45.9

The quarterly and nine month increases in orders and net sales reflect volume increases in all product groups. See following table of net sales by product group.

The 1990 year-to-date orders, net sales and earnings per share amounts include results for nine months of Kentrox Industries, Inc. (Kentrox), purchased by ADC in July 1989, and one month of results for both TELINQ Systems Incorporated (TELINQ), purchased in June 1990, and American Lightwave Systems, Inc. (ALS), purchased in July 1990.

Due to the timing of these acquisitions, the 1989 orders, net sales and earnings per share amounts do not reflect significant contributions from the acquired companies.

In addition to the stronger sales volume discussed above, the 1990 earnings per share increases reflect higher gross profit percentages resulting from more favorable sales product mix and factory efficiencies. These increases were partially offset by higher operating expenses and a higher effective income tax rate.

"We are exceedingly pleased with the 12 month results of Kentrox, and excited about the prospects of the TELINQ and ALS acquisitions, particularly since we have enjoyed product and market relationships with these companies prior to the acquisitions," said Charles M. Denny, Jr., chairman and CEO. "We are also very happy with the results of our ongoing businesses, as measured in revenues and profits, and continue to fortify

them with newer technologies," added Denny.

ADC Telecommunications, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets a wide variety of circuit management devices, transmission products and network management systems used by telephone companies, broadcast networks and large private telecommunications networks.

Net sales for the quarters and nine months ended July 31, 1990 and 1989 classified by product group, detailed statements of income for the quarters and nine months ended July 31, 1990 and 1989 and balance sheets as of July 31, 1990 and October 31, 1989 follow.

Quarters Ended July 31

	1990		1989	
	Net Sales (Thousands)	Pct.	Net Sales (Thousands)	Pct.
Product Group				
Termination and access				
Copper	$43,861	66.6	$34,551	69.0
Fiber	4,975	7.6	2,277	4.6
Transmission				
Copper	12,490	19.0	11,706	23.4
Fiber	2,582	3.9	409	.8
Test and Network Management	1,906	2.9	1,104	2.2
Total	$65,814	100.0	$50,047	100.0

Nine Months Ended July 31,

	1990		1989	
	Net Sales (Thousands)	Pct.	Net Sales (Thousands)	Pct.
Product Group				
Termination and access				
Copper	$125,522	66.7	$101,039	73.6
Fiber	11,248	6.0	5,010	3.6
Transmission				
Copper	40,904	21.7	25,490	18.6
Fiber	5,176	2.8	1,315	.9
Test and Network Management	5,202	2.8	4,485	3.3
Total	$188,052	100.0	$137,339	100.0

ADC TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME - UNAUDITED
(In thousands, except per share statistics)

	Quarters Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	7/31/90	7/31/89	7/31/90	7/31/89
Net sales	$65,814	$50,047	$188,052	$137,339
Cost of products sold	33,552	27,688	96,937	76,745

Gross profit	32,262	22,359	91,115	60,594
Gross profit percentage	49.0	44.7	48.5	44.1
Expenses:				
Selling	11,883	9,130	33,700	24,520
Development and product engineering	6,193	4,284	17,680	12,023
General and administrative	4,609	3,351	13,039	9,939
Total expenses	22,685	16,765	64,419	46,482
Operating income	9,577	5,594	26,696	14,112
Other income (expense), net:				
Interest	320	857	946	2,574
Other	(107)	63	(252)	751
Income before income taxes	9,790	6,514	27,390	17,437
Provision for income taxes	3,916	2,475	10,956	6,298
Net income	$5,874	$4,039	$16,434	$11,139
Average common shares outstanding	13,286	13,197	13,258	13,151
Earnings per share	$.44	$.31	$1.24	$.85
Orders	$66,115	$52,100	$189,344	$141,827

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS - UNAUDITED (In thousands)

	7/31/90	10/31/89
Assets		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$17,344	$17,576
Accounts receivable	34,279	29,918
Inventories	33,006	24,723
Prepaid income taxes and other	4,454	3,697
Total current assets	89,083	75,914
Property and equipment, net	45,379	42,545
Other assets, principally goodwill	34,353	25,372
Total	168,815	143,831
Liabilities and Stockholders' Investment Current Liabilities:		
Current maturities of long-term debt	1,254	444
Accounts payable	7,615	6,996
Accrued liabilities	22,090	16,424
Total current liabilities	30,959	23,864
Deferred income taxes	4,772	4,806
Long-term debt, less current maturities above	5,618	4,691
Total liabilities	41,349	33,361
Stockholders' investment (13,289 and 13,218 shares outstanding, respectively)	127,466	110,470
Total	$168,815	$143,831

CONTACT: Aimee Gallogly of ADC Telecommunications, Inc. (612) 893-3338.

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#90241p9818 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROCHESTER, NY (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - ACC Corp.'s (NASDAQ: ACCC) board of directors, at its Aug. 22, 1990 meeting, declared a regular quarterly common stock dividend of $.04 per share. This dividend is payable Nov. 2, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 21, 1990. This was announced today by Richard T. Aab, chairman and chief executive officer of ACC Corp.

ACC Corp. was also granted a $5.0 million unsecured, short-term working capital line of credit with Central Trust Co. of Rochester, N.Y., a Midlantic Bank. The company now has in place $7.0 million of unused lines of credit available for its growing businesses.

ACC Corp. is a holding company for ACC Long Distance Corp., ACC Network Corp., ACC Long Distance Ltd., ACC Global Corp., ACC Local Fiber Corp. and Danbury Cellular Telephone Company. The company provides long-distance telephone service throughout northeastern United States and eastern Canada. The company's stock is listed on the National Market (OTC) under the NASDAQ symbol ACCC.

CONTACT: Michael R. Daley of ACC Corp., (716) 987-3175.

-30- 1283
#90241p9819 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
FARMINGTON HILLS, MI (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Medar, Inc. (NASDAQ: MDXR) reported that General Dynamics Space Systems has ordered a network for resistance welding the atlas Centaur Satellite Launch System.

The order, in excess of $800,000, is for the engineering and equipment necessary to integrate enhanced Medar welding controls with an IBM DAE (Distributed Automation Edition) network. Following phases are expected to add more welding controls to the base network.

General Dynamics manufactures the Atlas Centaur Satellite Launch System which requires 100 percent accuracy and quality of welds. The DAE network is expected to provide significant savings by automatically recording and tracking information required in MIL-SPEC welding procedures.

The enhanced weld controls are expected to reduce dependence on time-consuming manual inspection by monitoring all relevant process variables and providing on-line weld verification.

Medar designs and manufactures computer-controlled automated equipment including vision gauging and inspection systems, resistance welding

controls and computer communications systems. Medar's customers include major companies in the defense, aerospace, automobile, appliance, entertainment and consumer goods packaging industries.

CONTACT: Charles J. Drake or Gerald R. Smith of Medar, Inc., (313) 477-3900.

-30- 1544

#90241p9820 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Comerica Incorporated (OTC: CMCA) Tuesday declared a quarterly dividend of 65 cents per share on common stock. The dividend will be payable Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 14, 1990.

The dividend was announced by Eugene A. Miller, chairman, president and chief executive officer.

CONTACT: David O. Taylor of Comerica, (313) 222-3384.

-30- 579

#90241p9821 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas Instruments (NYSE: TXN) is conducting its annual Tech Trends editorial conference Sept. 4-6 at the Arrowwood Resort Conference Center in Rye Brook, New York. "Converging Technologies" is the theme of the conference. Presenters will discuss how the merging of technologies and concurrent engineering is changing the marketplaces of the 1990s.

The conference is designed to update the editorial community on the technology underlying TI's Semiconductor and Information Technology businesses, and gives attendees an opportunity to talk with top managers and technologists from TI.

This year's conference includes sessions on concurrent engineering, system design, testability, mixed-signal technology, application-specific technology, submicron CMOS capability, digital signal processing, systems technologies (such as cache, RISC, video and parallel processing), printer technology, computer systems technology, computer-aided software engineering, and industrial automation.

All sessions include time for Q&A from attendees, and private interviews can be arranged.

The conference begins with a 7 p.m. dinner on Sept. 4. Guest speaker is William H. Davidow, currently of the high-technology venture capital firm Mohr, Davidow Ventures, and formerly senior vice president of marketing

and sales for Intel Corp. Davidow is co-author of "Total Customer Service: The Ultimate Weapon," and author of "Marketing High Technology: An Insider's View".

The Semiconductor sessions begin at 8:30 a.m. Sept. 5 and conclude that evening with dinner speaker Pat Weber, TI executive vice president and president of TI's Semiconductor Group.

The Information Technology sessions begin at 8 a.m. Sept. 6 and conclude at 12:30 p.m. Following these sessions there will be demonstrations of TI's software productivity tool, the Information Engineering Facility (TM) IEF (TM).

Registration and reservations may be made through Allen Street Travel at 1-800-227-1794.

Information Engineering Facility and IEF are trademarks of Texas Instruments.

CONTACT: Terri West of Texas Instruments, 214-995-3481.

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#90241p9822 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Legg Mason Inc., (NYSE: LM) and First Fidelity Bancorporation (NYSE: FFB) have reached an agreement whereby Legg Mason will acquire the Philadelphia-based mortgage banking company, Latimer & Buck, a wholly owned subsidiary of First Fidelity Bancorporation.

The terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Established in 1954, Latimer & Buck is the largest commercial mortgage organization in the Philadelphia and Baltimore areas, and is the exclusive regional correspondent for many of the premier life insurance company and pension fund investors. Latimer & Buck's commercial loan servicing portfolio exceeds $3.1 billion and it manages, primarily for state pension funds, approximately $1.1 billion in commercial real estate and mortgage investment portfolios.

In addition to its Philadelphia and Baltimore locations, it has offices in Washington, Princeton, N.J., and Lancaster, Pa., and is a joint owner of a Florida-based commercial mortgage banking corporation.

Latimer & Buck will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of Legg Mason Inc.

In making the announcement, Raymond A. Mason, chairman and chief executive officer of Legg Mason Inc., said: "This acquisition substantially

increases our overall real estate capability. Latimer & Buck adds important fee-based revenues through its commercial mortgage servicing business, and provides a meaningful addition as well as a new direction for our investment advisory business."

Mason said that M. Walter D'Alessio will continue as president and chief executive officer of Latimer & Buck, and it is expected that all current employees will remain with the company.

Anthony P. Terracciano, chairman and chief executive officer of First Fidelity Bancorporation, said: "It appears to us that Legg Mason and Latimer & Buck are well-suited partners and we hope they will enjoy great mutual success. Latimer & Buck continues to be a profitable company that simply does not fit our long-term strategic plans."

Closing of the transaction, which is subject to certain conditions, is anticipated to occur by the end of September.

Legg Mason Inc., headquartered in Baltimore, is a holding company which, through its subsidiaries, provides securities brokerage, investment advisory and investment banking services.

First Fidelity Bancorporation, with $29.8 billion in assets and 500 offices in New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania, is among the nation's 25 largest banking companies.

CONTACT: Raymond A. Mason, chairman and chief executive officer of Legg Mason, 301-539-3400, or Paul Levine of First Fidelity, 201-565-2949, or M. Walter D'Alessio, president and chief executive officer of Latimer & Buck, 215-985-3900

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#90241p9823 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - United Westburne Inc. announced today that its U.S. subsidiary has entered into an agreement to acquire W.H. Hobbs Supply Co. of Eau Claire, Wis., a wholesaler of plumbing, heating and industrial supplies with three outlets in Wisconsin and annual sales of approximately $20 million U.S.

This newest acquisition will report to the Graybow-Daniels division of Westburne based in Minneapolis.

"This move strengthens our presence in the important midwestern U.S. marketplace," said Michel Vennat, Westburne vice chairman in announcing the acquisition.

"These three locations are strategically located in Wisconsin and

complement recent acquisitions in nearby Minnesota and North Dakota."

In September 1989, Westburne Supply Inc. acquired Graybow-Daniels Company, a leading wholesale (top 50) distributor of plumbing and heating, ventilation and air conditioning products based in Minneapolis. That was followed up in April of this year by the purchase of Minn-Well Supply Co. Established in 1983, Minn-Well is one of the leading pump and well distributors in the U.S. Midwest, operating distribution centers in Minneapolis and Fargo, N.D.

Minn-Well Supply Co. also reports to the Graybow-Daniels division. Consistent with Westburne's acquisition policy, current management will remain in place with W.H. Hobbs.

Westburne's vice chairman also announced that the acquisition of the Ontario distribution division of Canada Valve was finalized recently.

This latest acquisition will allow Westburne to establish a presence in the waterworks business in the Ontario market, as well as to strengthen its product lines for this region.

Headquartered in Montreal, United Westburne Inc. is North America's largest integrated wholesaler of electrical, plumbing and heating, refrigeration and air conditioning, electronics and telecommunications supplies.

CONTACT: Michel Vennat, vice-chairman, United Westburne Inc., 514-342-5181

-30- 2179

#90241p9826 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHARDSON, TX (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Asko Inc., U.S. importer of the Swedish-made Asko Asea dishwasher, has asked a New York federal court to bar Miele Appliances Inc. from what Asko officials have termed "false and misleading advertising," as well as assess actual and punitive damages for such advertising.

Asko filed its action as a counterclaim in response to Miele's complaint now pending in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. The original complaint filed by Miele last June seeks to enjoin Asko from making what were alleged false and misleading comparisons between Asko Asea and Miele dishwashers.

"Test results made in accordance with strict Swedish government standards completely support our claim that Asko Asea dishwashers clean better and run more quietly than Miele," said Leon Bausch, president, Asko Inc., wholly-owned subsidiary of the manufacturer, Asko Cylinda AB of Vara,

Sweden.

"Miele has been repeatedly invited to challenge our test results - which we have made public - but so far they have failed to respond with facts or details of their own," Bausch added.

Asko also claims Miele's conduct "constitutes deceptive acts or practices ... and false advertising" under specific sections of New York State's general business law.

The company has also requested the federal court dismiss Miele's complaint against Asko. "We are confident Asko will prevail completely in this matter," Bausch said.

Asko Asia products are sold throughout North America. Asko Inc. is headquartered in the Dallas-area suburb of Richardson. Its address: 903 Bowser, Suite 170, Richardson, TX 75081, telephone: (214) 644-8595.

CONTACT: Bill Haworth of Media Consultants/Haworth PR, (214) 369-2375, for Asko Inc.

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#90241p9831 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The India Growth Fund Inc. (NYSE: IGF), a closed-end management investment company seeking long- term capital appreciation through investments primarily in equity securities of Indian companies, today announced its performance for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, its fiscal year end.

During this quarter ended June 30, 1990, the fund's net investment losses were $784,000, equal to 15 cents per share. Net realized and unrealized gains were $782,000 equal to 16 cents per share. This compares to net investment income of $652,000, equal to 13 cents per share, and net realized and unrealized gains of $5.4 million, equal to $1.09 per share, incurred during the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

For the year ended June 30, 1990, the fund's earnings from net investment income were $375,000 equal to 8 cents per share. Total net realized and unrealized losses were $1.8 million, equal to 23 cents per share. This compares to net investment income of $1.5 million, equal to 29 cents per share, and total net realized and unrealized gains of $16.2 million, equal to $3.43 per share, for the period from Aug. 19, 1988 (commencement of operations) to June 30, 1989.

On June 30, 1990 total net assets of the fund were $64,461,957, compared with total net assets of $71,278,202 on June 30, 1989. The net assets value per share on June 30, 1990 was $12.86 based on 5,014,348 shares

outstanding, a 9.6 percent decrease from the net asset per share of $14.23 based on 5,008,961 shares outstanding on June 30, 1989.

CONTACT: Frank J. Maresca of the India Growth Fund, 212-713-2421

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#90241p9834 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - GTI Corp. (AMEX: GTI) announced today that it completed the previously announced acquisition of approximately 91 percent of the capital stock of Valor Electronics Inc., for $18,457,272, consisting of $16,625,272 in cash and a promissory note for the remainder.

At a special meeting of stockholders held on Aug. 28, 1990, GTI's stockholders approved the sale and issuance of 2,500,000 shares of GTI's common stock to Telemetrix plc for $7,500,000 in cash, which was used to fund a portion of the purchase price of Valor Electronics. The remaining cash portion of the purchase price was financed by a $4,500,000 seven-year bank term loan and cash on hand at GTI.

San Diego-based Valor Electronics develops, manufactures and distributes a variety of electronic component parts and subsystems. It operates manufacturing facilities in the People's Republic of China and Hong Kong.

GTI manufactures and distributes a variety of electronic component parts, processing equipment and circuit boards for sale to manufacturers in the United States and abroad.

Telemetrix plc is a United Kingdom corporation which is listed on the London Stock Exchange and engaged in the manufacture, sale and distribution of advanced electronic products and components. As a result of the issuance of the 2,500,000 shares of GTI's common stock to it, Telemetrix's voting interest in GTI has increased from 52.8 percent to 65.4 percent.

CONTACT: Gary L. Luick, president and COO of GTI Corp., 619-578-3111.

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#90241p9835 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, N.J. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - By an overwhelming majority, the Lee County Board of County Commissioners today approved and executed a 23-year agreement with a unit of Ogden Martin Systems, Inc. (OMS), to design, build and operate a waste-to-energy facility that will anchor comprehensive waste management programs for both Lee County and neighboring Hendry County, Fla. OMS is a wholly owned subsidiary of Ogden Projects, Inc. (NYSE: OPI), a publicly traded company on the New York Stock Exchange.

"Our proven track record in the state of Florida where we have three waste-to-energy facilities in operation or under construction will be an invaluable asset to facilitate the Lee County project," said David L. Sokol, president and chief executive officer of Ogden Projects. "Local residents can visit our neighboring facilities in Hillsborough County, Pasco County and Lake County to see how a master plan for integrated waste management will work in Lee County," he added.

The $147 million construction cost of the 1,800 tons-per-day facility will be financed by revenue bonds which the county, as the facility owner, intends to issue by the end of the year. The bond issue will also finance other program elements such as a modern, environmentally compliant landfill to be located in Hendry County and recycling programs to achieve Florida's mandated goal of 30 percent recycling by 1994.

The facility, to be located off of Buckingham Road east of the city of Fort Myers, will utilize the proprietary Martin waste-to-energy technology. Once operational, the facility will convert up to 657,000 tons of residential and commercial solid waste per year into over 47 megawatts of electric power to be sold to the Florida Power and Light Corporation. The county will receive 90 percent of electric sale revenues as a credit against facility financing and operating costs.

According to Sokol, the facility is sized to process waste volumes based on the assumption that the state's recycling goals have been met. "Growth in the county's waste stream over the next 5-7 years will require recycling rates that meet the state's mandated goal if residents are to avoid raw waste landfill disposal," said Sokol.

The waste-to-energy facility will feature state-of-the-art pollution control equipment, including dry flue gas scrubbers for acid gas control, fabric filter baghouses, systems to reduce emissions of nitrogen oxides and continuous emission monitoring systems.

Given the local area's pressing need for water conservation, the facility will utilize treated effluent from the city of Fort Myers' waste water treatment plant for process and landscape irrigation needs. The facility will also utilize state-of-the-art wastewater pre-treatment systems to maximize the utilization of processed water and minimize amounts returned to the city's sewer system.

A construction schedule guaranteed by OMS not to exceed 27 months will commence once all applicable federal, state and local environmental construction permits are received by the county and OMS.

OMS was awarded the project as a result of the county's proposal evaluation process which included the evaluation of proposals submitted by

OMS, Foster Wheeler Power Systems, Inc., Westinghouse Electric Corporation (Resource Energy Systems Division) and American Energy Corporation.

OMS is the nation's leading builder and operator of solid waste-to- energy facilities serving municipalities and counties nationwide. OMS currently has 15 facilities in operation, five in construction and another seven awarded.

CONTACT: John Phillips or Barbara Badino of Ogden Projects, 201-882-7181

-30- 3920

#90241p9836 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle Industries, Inc. announced today that Robert Campbell has joined the company as group executive - Process Industries Equipment Group and as chairman and chief executive officer of The Pfaudler Companies, Inc. Prior to joining Eagle, Campbell served as vice president - business development at the Cummins Engine Company, Inc. which is located in Columbus, Ind. For a number of years, Campbell also served as vice president - international and industrial for Cummins.

Campbell and his wife, Kathleen, will reside in Rochester, N.Y., headquarters for Eagle's Process Industries Equipment Group and the Pfaudler Companies, Inc. Before joining Cummins in 1964, Campbell received a B.S.M.E. degree at Stanford University and a M.B.A. at Harvard University.

In announcing Campbell's appointment, William Hall, president and chief executive officer of Eagle Industries, commented: "Bob brings our company many years of outstanding general management experience and leadership. His particular expertise in international operations will be a major strength as we expand our worldwide Process Industries Equipment Group through internal growth and new acquisitions."

Eagle is a diversified capital goods manufacturing company controlled by Great American Management and Investment, Inc. (NASDAQ: GAMI).

CONTACT: Susan Obuchowski of Eagle Industries, 312-454-0100

-30- 1604

#90241p9837 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Benihana National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: BNHN) today reported results for the first quarter ended July 22, 1990.

BENIHANA NATIONAL CORPORATION COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS (Unaudited)

Four periods ended:	7/22/90	7/16/90

Net restaurant sales	$11,663,189	$11,957,274
Restaurant costs and expenses	10,422,620	10,640,014
Income before income taxes	280,511	465,564
Income tax provision	14,026	30,729
Net income	266,485	434,835
Net income per common share	$.05	$.08
Average shares outstanding	5,729,111	5,729,111

"We continue to operate profitably in a difficult economic environment which has negatively impacted the restaurant industry in general," Joel Schwartz, president, said. "We remain confident in our long-term prospects " he added.

CONTACT: Joel Schwartz of Benihana National, (305) 593-0770.

-30- 1180

#90241p9839 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DERRY, NH (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Hadco Corporation (NASDAQ: HDCO) announced today that it has successfully started recovering methylene chloride vapors from the two remaining processes which utilize methylene chloride at its Derry, N.H. facility. This startup represents the completion of a $1.7 million conversion project to eliminate and minimize methylene chloride usage and emissions.

The vapor recovery system is a state-of-the-art unit which represents Best Available Control Technology (BACT) that is required by the State of New Hampshire's Air Resources Division regulations, enacted in April 1990.

The recovery system installation received extensive review by both the air and water regulatory divisions of the State, prior to issuance of permits. Process conversion progress prior to the recovery startup had reduced methylene chloride emissions by 60 percent over 1987 levels, and with the recovery unit startup, methylene chloride emissions are less than one percent of 1987 levels.

Hadco is pleased to announce the accomplishment of this major milestone in its continuing effort to operate its Derry and all other Hadco facilities in an environmentally responsible manner.

Hadco is the largest independent manufacturer of dense double-sided and multilayer printed circuits, serving customers in the computer, telecommunications, industrial automation and instrumentation industries. The company also manufactures backplanes for electronic interconnect systems. It operates six facilities in the United States.

CONTACT: Patrick Sweeney, chief opeating officer of Hadco Corp., (603) 898-8000.

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#90241p9850 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROCKVILLE, MD (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Diagnon Corporation (OTC Bulletin Board: DIGN) today reported the following results for its fiscal year ended May 31, 1990:

DIAGNON CORPORATION

Fiscal Year ended May 31;	1990	1989
Revenues	$4,529,510	$4,016,391
Income	182,849	176,584
Earnings per share	$.02	$.03
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	9,602,452	6,123,127

In July 1990, Diagnon acquired 4,504,208 shares of Diagnon common (approximately 47 percent of Diagnon's outstanding common stock).

CONTACT: Michael P. O'Flaherty, corporate secretary of Diagnon, (301) 258-9477.

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#90241p9851 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Strawbridge & Clothier (NASDAQ: STRWA) today announced that in the second quarter of the fiscal year 1990, ended Aug. 4, sales were $215,679,000 compared to $202,171,000 in 1989, an increase of 6.7 percent.

Despite the increase in sales, the company incurred a loss for the quarter of $1,380,000 compared to earnings of $1,735,000 last year. Loss per share was $.15 compared to earnings per share of $.19 in last year's second quarter.

For the first half of the fiscal year sales were $424,928,000 compared to $392,701,000 last year, an increase of 8.2 percent. Earnings for the first half were $1,710,000 this year compared to $3,294,000 last year, a decrease of 48.1 percent. Earnings per share for the first half were $.18 compared to $.36 last year, a decrease of 50 percent.

Two factors combined to produce the disappointing second quarter results. Sales increases moderated in comparison to strong first quarter results reflecting a softening in the general economy. Secondly, margins were reduced due to competitive promotional pressures as well as increased markdowns taken to clear out seasonal merchandise.

In view of the worrisome developments in the Middle East and looking ahead

to the all important second half of the year, which historically has accounted for the vast majority of the company's annual net earnings, the company said it has been reviewing carefully all areas of the business in order to maximize results in terms of sales and earnings in a difficult and unpredictable economic environment.

The company's 24th Clover store, Kirkwood Plaza, southwest of Wilmington, Del., continues to produce strong sales results since opening in April of this year.

Construction of Clover's 25th store, at Ralph's Corner Shopping Center, located in Hatfield Township, Montgomery County, Pa., has begun and is on schedule for a planned opening in the spring of 1991.

The total remodeling of the company's Cottman Avenue Clover store was finalized in early August. In addition, the two-year renovation and expansion of the Cherry Hill department store was recently completed. Both stores are showing strong sales increases.

STRAWBRIDGE & CLOTHIER UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED EARNINGS

13 weeks ended	8/4/90	7/29/89
Net sales	$215,679,000	$202,171,000
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(2,285,000)	2,874,000
Provision for income taxes	(905,000)	1,139,000
Net earnings (loss)	(1,380,000)	1,735,000
Earnings (loss) per common share	$(.15)	$.19
Average common shares	9,086,340	9,116,471

26 weeks ended	8/4/90	7/29/89
Net sales	$424,928,000	$392,701,000
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	2,831,000	5,454,000
Provision for income taxes	1,121,000	2,160,000
Net earnings (loss)	1,710,000	3,294,000
Earnings (loss) per common share	$.18	$.36
Average common shares	9,144,430	9,102,289

Trailing year ended	8/4/90	7/29/89
Net sales	$982,533,000	$921,075,000
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	49,103,000	45,992,000
Provision for income taxes	19,528,000	18,139,000
Net earnings (loss)	29,575,000	27,853,000
Earnings (loss) per common share	$3.23	$3.07
Average common shares	9,136,697	9,063,359

This is an interim statement subject to audit.

Per-share amounts are based on the weighted average number of shares of common stock and dilutive common stock equivalents (employee stock options) outstanding during each period, after recognition of preferred stock dividends and the 7 percent stock dividend paid on May 17, 1990. New store pre-opening expenses had the effect of reducing earnings per common share by $.04 for the 26 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990.

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#90241p9852 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Strawbridge & Clothier (NASDAQ: STRWA) today announced that in the second quarter of the fiscal year 1990, ended Aug. 4, sales were $215,679,000 compared to $202,171,000 in 1989, an increase of 6.7 percent.

Despite the increase in sales, the company incurred a loss for the quarter of $1,380,000 compared to earnings of $1,735,000 last year. Loss per share was $.15 compared to earnings per share of $.19 in last year's second quarter.

For the first half of the fiscal year sales were $424,928,000 compared to $392,701,000 last year, an increase of 8.2 percent. Earnings for the first half were $1,710,000 this year compared to $3,294,000 last year, a decrease of 48.1 percent. Earnings per share for the first half were $.18 compared to $.36 last year, a decrease of 50 percent.

Two factors combined to produce the disappointing second quarter results. Sales increases moderated in comparison to strong first quarter results reflecting a softening in the general economy. Secondly, margins were reduced due to competitive promotional pressures as well as increased markdowns taken to clear out seasonal merchandise.

In view of the worrisome developments in the Middle East and looking ahead to the all important second half of the year, which historically has accounted for the vast majority of the company's annual net earnings, the company said it has been reviewing carefully all areas of the business in order to maximize results in terms of sales and earnings in a difficult and unpredictable economic environment.

The company's 24th Clover store, Kirkwood Plaza, southwest of Wilmington, Del., continues to produce strong sales results since opening in April of this year.

Construction of Clover's 25th store, at Ralph's Corner Shopping Center,

located in Hatfield Township, Montgomery County, Pa., has begun and is on schedule for a planned opening in the spring of 1991.

The total remodeling of the company's Cottman Avenue Clover store was finalized in early August. In addition, the two-year renovation and expansion of the Cherry Hill department store was recently completed. Both stores are showing strong sales increases.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Judy Arthur has been appointed as vice president, National Publicity, for Orion Pictures Distribution Corp., it was announced today by Christine La Monte, senior vice president, Publicity and Promotion.

Arthur, who will be based in the Orion headquarters in New York, will report directly to La Monte as of Sept. 10, and be responsible for overseeing all national publicity activities beginning with Orion's fall releases "State of Grace," "The Hot Spot" and "Dances with Wolves." Arthur, an independent publicist and special events director, has worked with Orion on numerous films including unit publicity on Jonathan Demme's "Married to the Mob," and his upcoming "The Silence of the Lambs," as well as "She-Devil." She has just completed production publicity on "Scenes from a Mall," co-starring Woody Allen.

Commenting on the announcement La Monte said, "Judy represents an important link in the new Marketing team that is now taking form at Orion. She brings with her an expertise in the field of publicity, as well as great energy, enthusiasm and professionalism."

A graduate of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, Arthur began her career in the entertainment industry as U.S. press liaison on location in Thailand for "The Killing Fields"; she also assisted with special screenings and the premiere of "Ghandi." Her other film credits include unit publicity on "In Country," "Marie," and "Old Gringo." Prior to entering the film industry, she organized and operated international seminars as president of Conceptual Travel Inc.

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GOLDEN, COLO. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Amax Gold Inc. (NYSE: AU: TORONTO:

AXG) announced today that it had signed a letter agreement with Amax Inc. ("Amax") (NYSE: AMX) under which the company will sell to Amax its entire interest in Canamax Resources Inc. ("Canamax"). The purchase price will be $6.4 million cash, which will be paid at closing. The $6.4 million represents the carrying value of the Canamax investment on the company's books. If Amax sells the Canamax shares to a third party within two years, Amax will pay the company additional consideration equal to the difference between the proceeds realized and the $6.4 million initially paid, up to a maximum additional payment of $5.1 million, making the maximum total proceeds $11.5 million (which approximates the average closing price for the Canamax shares on The Toronto Stock Exchange for the 20 trading days immediately prior to the date of the letter agreement multiplied by the number of Canamax shares currently owned by the company). Amax has also agreed to assume or indemnify the company for its obligations with respect to Canamax. The transaction is subject to a number of conditions, including approvals of the boards of directors of the company, Amax Gold (Canada) Ltd. and Amax.

Amax Gold produces and explores for gold in the United States and New Zealand, is listed on the New York and Toronto stock exchanges and is 87 percent owned by Amax Inc.

CONTACT: Mark A. Lettes of Amax Gold Inc., 303-273-0608

-30- 1683

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Image Bank, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: TIBI) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 30,000 shares of its common stock to be used for the company's employee stock purchase plan.

The repurchases will be made for cash from time to time during the next year in the open market and in privately negotiated transactions as market and business conditions warrant. The company has 3,695,000 shares outstanding.

The company's employee stock purchase plan allows eligible employees to purchase company common stock through payroll deductions at 85 percent of fair market value.

The Image Bank, a diversified communications company, is the world's leading stock image agency, licensing reproduction rights to professional photographs, illustrations and cinematography for advertising, programming promotional and editorial purposes through its international network of offices.

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-30- 1299

#90241p9862 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ASHTABULA, OH (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - RMI Titanium Co. (NYSE: RTI) held groundbreaking ceremonies here today for its new titanium tetrachloride ("TiCl4") facility, estimated to cost between $35 and $37 million, the company announced.

According to L. Frederick Gieg Jr., RMI's president and chief executive officer, "This new plant is a vital part of our business strategy for the next decade. It allows us to better control our raw material costs and strengthen our competitive position in the United States and internationally."

The new plant, rated at a minimum capacity of 100 million pounds, will produce the primary raw material for titanium sponge. RMI has an agreement with Minproc Engineers Inc., a subsidiary of Minproc Holdings Ltd. of Australia, to design and construct the plant. It is expected that construction will be completed by the end of 1991, and the plant will employ about 60 people. "This facility will not only meet our current requirements, but will allow for expansion as demand for titanium grows," Gieg added.

RMI Titanium Co., headquartered in Niles, Ohio, is a leading manufacturer of titanium sponge, mill products and powder. The company's products are used principally in military and commercial aircraft and engines, chemical processing equipment, mesh for bridge and deck repair, pulp and paper production facilities, and medical implants.

RMI became a public corporation on April 20, 1990, with common stock trading on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "RTI." Currently, there are 15,091,600 shares of RMI's common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Crystal Revak of RMI Titanium Co., in Niles, Ohio, 216-544-7622.

-30- 1854

#90241p9864 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Consilium Inc. (NASDAQ: CSIM), a leading supplier of integrated factory floor management software, today reported record revenue of $8.4 million for its fiscal 1990 third quarter, ended July 31, 1990, up 39 percent from revenue of $6.0 million in the like quarter a year ago. Net income was $1.5 million ($.21 per share), up 38 percent from $1.1 million ($.16 per share) for the like quarter last year.

International sales increased to 39 percent of revenues and sales into the specialty chemicals market rose to 27 percent of revenues in the third quarter. These are both targeted growth areas for Consilium.

For the nine month period, revenues were $23.4 million, up 41 percent from revenues of $16.6 million in the like period a year ago. Net income was $4.0 million ($.58 per share), up 72 percent from $2.3 million ($.41 per share) for the like period last year.

"Our financial performance this quarter again reflects the balanced growth we have worked hard to achieve at Consilium through both geographic and industry diversification," said Thomas Tomasetti, Consilium's president and chief executive officer. "We now draw fully on both international and domestic sales and from sales across all of our target industries -- aerospace and defense, commercial aviation, electronics systems, semiconductors and specialty chemicals -- to meet our revenue goals. As a result, the company is on solid ground both financially and in the marketplace and we are in an excellent position to execute an aggressive program of growth.

"We are beginning now to implement planned, strategic programs designed to drive Consilium's annual revenue to the $100 million mark by fiscal year 1994," said Tomasetti. "Our diverse customer base gives us the market strength we need to continue this endeavor."

Consilium Inc. is a leading supplier of integrated factory floor management software and services. The company's WorkStream line of integrated software modules directs the execution of the manufacturing plan on the factory floor, enabling lot-based manufacturers to reduce costs, improve quality and achieve just-in-time delivery. Operating on the Digital Equipment Corp. line of VAX(R) computers, WorkStream software is used by manufacturers in the electronics systems, semiconductor, aerospace and defense, commercial aircraft and specialty chemicals industries. The company is headquartered in Mountain View.

WorkStream is a registered trademark of Consilium Inc. VAX is a registered trakemark of Digital Equipment Corp.

CONTACT: Mark Finkel or Darby Dye, both of Consilium, 415-691-6100; or Joanne Marlin of Thomas Associates, 415-325-6236, for Consilium

-30- 2932

#90241p9865 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - J. Robert Browning has retired from Sonat Offshore Drilling Inc. He was formerly executive vice president with responsibility for the worldwide promotion of the company.

Browning joined Sonat Offshore Drilling as a drilling engineer in 1964. He served overseas as division manager in Turkey, Bahrain, Nigeria and Abu Dhabi prior to returning to the United States as vice president and manager of contracts and sales in 1981. He was elected senior vice president of contracts and sales in 1986. A native of Pomona, Calif., he attended Kilgore and Long Beach City Colleges.

Sonat Offshore Drilling, headquartered in Houston, operates one of the largest international fleets of marine drilling rigs. Sonat Offshore Drilling is a subsidiary of Sonat Inc. (NYSE: SNT). Sonat, headquartered in Birmingham, Ala., is a worldwide energy company involved in natural gas transmission and marketing, oil and gas exploration and production, and oil services.

CONTACT: Harold L. Ogden of Sonat Offshore Drilling, 713-871-7602, or Kay G. Kilpatrick of Sonat, 205-325-7686.

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#90241p9866 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Prime Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PSAB) released a report of its fourth quarter and year-end earnings for the periods ending June 30, 1990, on Aug. 27, 1990.

In order to reflect the fact that the institution converted from mutual form to stock form of ownership in November 1988, the Aug. 27, 1990, release is restated as follows.

Earnings for the fourth quarter 1990 were $924,000 compared to $767,000 for 1989 representing a 20.5 percent increase. 1990 annual earnings were $3,360,000, in comparison to $3,429,000 for the 12-month period ending June 30, 1989.

The bank converted to stock form of ownership in November 1988; therefore, the 1989 annual earnings do not include the income on the investment of the conversion proceeds during the first quarter.

Final earnings after taxes, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, were negatively impacted by the Pennsylvania Thrift Tax on net income. The 1990 results indicate a 4 percent net interest margin and the return on average assets of 1.02 percent with a return on average equity of 9.28 percent which placed Prime near the top of thrifts nationally.

In the face of some weakness in the local economy, Prime's credit quality remains good. Non-performing loans were .996 percent of total loans on June 30, 1990.

At June 30, 1990, assets totaled $334,748,000 and deposits $272,915,000. Shareholders' equity increased to $37,294,000 for a book value of $27.73 per share.

Prime Bancorp Inc.'s common stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "PSAB." Its price as of the close of business on Aug. 24, 1990, was $11.13.

Prime Bancorp Inc. is headquartered in Philadelphia. Prime Savings Bank, fsb, is a federally chartered savings bank which conducts operations in Philadelphia, Bucks, and Montgomery counties through nine full-service offices. The bank's deposits are federally insured by the Savings Association Insurance Fund, a fund administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

PRIME BANCORP INC. RESTATED FINANCIAL DATA
Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition

At June 30	1989	1990
Assets: Cash in banks	$3,806,107	$4,073,498
Interest-bearing deposits	11,503,777	12,104,007
Federal funds sold	100,000	--
Cash and cash equivalents	15,409,884	16,177,505
Investment securities	7,804,872	5,588,261
Mortgage-backed securities	31,077,753	22,203,947
Loans receivable, net	255,590,773	276,192,165
Accrued interest		
receivable: Loans	1,605,653	2,262,551
Mortgage-backed securities	231,267	160,071
Investments and other	186,901	106,108
Real estate owned	67,282	119,076
Land acquired for development		
and resale	1,861,871	2,201,420
Property and equipment	6,137,408	6,605,332
Other assets	4,296,326	3,131,742
Total assets	324,269,990	334,748,178
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Liabilities:		
Deposits	$270,676,606	$272,914,599
Advances from Federal Home		
Loan Bank of Pittsburgh	4,000,000	1,900,000
Other borrowed money	8,037,681	17,151,157
Advance payments by borrowers		
for taxes and insurance	2,803,815	2,595,374
Other liabilities	3,668,281	2,891,317
Total liabilities	289,186,383	297,452,447
Stockholders' equity:		
Serial preferred, $1 par value;		
5 million shares authorized		

and unissued	--	--
Common stock, $1 par value; 10 million shares authorized; 1,380,000 and 1,382,913 issued and 1,380,000 and 1,344,913 outstanding	1,380,000	1,382,913
Additional paid-in capital	12,834,887	12,868,038
Retained earnings substantially restricted	20,868,720	23,510,280
Treasury stock (38,000 shares at $12.25)	--	(465,500)
Total stockholders' equity	35,083,607	37,295,731
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	324,269,990	334,748,178

Consolidated Statements of Operations

Three months ended June 30	1989	1990
Interest income:		
Loans receivable	$6,910,410	$7,925,016
Mortgage-backed securities	608,576	511,070
Investment securities	75,885	131,778
Deposits	307,796	168,198
Total interest income	7,902,667	8,736,062
Interest expense:		
Deposits	4,963,195	4,905,047
Short-term borrowings	312,893	331,590
Long-term borrowings	157,248	47,665
Total interest expense	5,433,336	5,284,302
Net interest income	2,469,331	3,451,760
Provision for loan losses	310,258	146,649
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	2,159,073	3,305,111
Other income (expenses):		
Loan commitment fees and service charges	189,367	167,640
Gain (loss) on sale of:		
Loans	77,365	(31,452)
Mortgage-backed securities	--	11,635
Investments	773	--
Gain on sale of land acquired for development and resale	171,902	40,328
Gain on sale of REO	36,895	1,867
Other	169,150	133,693
Total other income (expenses)	645,452	323,711
Other expenses:		
Salaries and employee benefits	839,977	918,636
Occupancy and equipment	285,036	270,886
Data processing	91,848	99,364

Federal insurance premiums	106,782	133,681
Other	431,064	438,084
Total other expenses	1,754,707	1,860,651
Income before income taxes	1,049,818	1,768,171
Income taxes	283,624	843,909
Net income	766,194	924,262
Earnings per share (primary and fully diluted)	$.56	$.67
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	1,380,000	1,378,473
Dividends declared per share	$.10	$.14

12 months ended June 30	1989	1990
Interest income:		
Loans receivable	$26,922,126	$30,141,902
Mortgage-backed securities	2,717,763	2,080,012
Investment securities	628,515	501,735
Deposits	839,671	717,853
Total interest income	31,108,075	33,441,502
Interest expense:		
Deposits	19,921,221	20,222,917
Short-term borrowings	775,794	671,828
Long-term borrowings	223,299	225,576
Total interest expense	20,920,314	21,120,321
Net interest income	10,187,761	12,321,181
Provision for loan losses	460,131	554,117
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	9,727,630	11,767,064
Other income (expenses):		
Loan commitment fees and service charges	805,893	632,402
Gain (loss) on sale of:		
Loans	63,903	8,334
Mortgage-backed securities	--	(9,847)
Investments	513,828	251,784
Gain on sale of land acquired for development and resale	306,668	390,832
Gain on sale of REO	36,895	8,670
Other	592,280	633,694
Total other income (expenses)	2,337,467	1,915,869
Other expenses:		
Salaries and employee benefits	3,254,185	3,668,497
Occupancy and equipment	940,334	1,096,092
Data processing	365,141	374,045
Federal insurance premiums	533,006	594,632
Other	1,376,314	1,730,543
Total other expenses	6,468,980	7,463,809

Income before income taxes	5,596,117	6,219,124
Income taxes	2,167,503	2,859,037
Net income	3,428,614	3,360,087
Earnings per share (primary and fully diluted)	$1.58 (A)	$2.43
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	1,380,000	1,380,243
Dividends declared per share	$.20	$.52

(A) - Earnings per share was calculated by dividing net income for the period from Nov. 14, 1988 (date of conversion) to June 30, 1989, by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period.

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RESTON, VA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Rolls-Royce celebrated two production milestones this week when the 2,000th RB211 and 500th Tay were handed over to their respective customers.

Menno van der Veen, president of Fokker, received the Tay 650 from Director Rolls-Royce Civil Engines, Frank Turner. The engine powers the Fokker 100 twinjet.

Turner then handed over the RB211-535E4 to American Airlines executive Bob Rumbaugh. The -535E4 is the engine choice for their fleet of Boeing 757s.

In addition, a special presentation was made to Allen E. Pauslon, chief executive officer of Gulfstream Aerospace, in recognition of the part his company has played in the Tay story. The Gulfstream IV executive jet is powered by Tay engines.

Commenting on the successes of the two engine programs, Frank Turner said: "The Tay and the -535 provide their customers with common benefits -- proven reliability and quietness. Rolls-Royce can be justifiably proud of the track records.

"Many of Rolls-Royce's 300 airline customers and 700 executive operators have RB211 and Tay engines in their fleets today. In addition, these engines are also providing a basis for future development."

Highlights RB211

-- Orders and options for the entire RB211 program stand at nearly 3,000 engines.

-- The RB211-524G/H, with thrusts up to 63,000 pounds, are used on the Boeing 747-400 and Boeing 767-300.

-- The 43,000 pounds thrust -535E4 powers the Boeing 757 and is the world's most reliable large turbofan, being chosen by three quarters of all the aircraft's users.

-- First RB211 entered service on the Lockheed TriStar in 1972.
-- Rolls-Royce Trent is the newest and largest member of the RB211 family with growth beyond 90,000 pounds thrust.

-- Tay launched on Gulfstream IV in 1983.
-- 15,000 pounds thrust Tay 650 makes Fokker 100 quietest airliner in class.

-- Tay 650 launched on re-engining programs with British Aerospace BAC 1-11s and Boeing 727-100s plus Associated Aerospace 1-11s.

-- Tay orders and options stand at nearly 1,500 engines.

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-30- 2366
#90241p9870 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeles Corp. (AMEX: ANG) has announced the semiannual distribution of its Angeles Corp. units (AMEX: ANGE) in the amount of $1.375 per unit.

The distribution, which includes $1.25 in interest and $.125 in principal paydown, will be paid Oct. 15, 1990, to all unitholders of record as of Sept. 15, 1990. The ex-distribution date is Sept. 10, 1990.

Each unit consists of one-half share of Angeles common stock, one-fiftieth of a $1,000 Angeles 12 1/2 percent subordinated debenture maturing in 2005 and the cash payment of a total of $1.00 of principal to be paid over the four-year lifetime of the units. At the end of that period, April 15, 1994, or earlier if Angeles so chooses, the units will break apart and the common stock and debenture components will be separately transferable.

Angeles Corp. is a diversified investment management company whose subsidiaries manage in excess of $4 billion of securities, real estate, mutual fund and leased equipment assets for corporations, institutions and 130,000 individual investors.

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-30- 1338
#90241p9871 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
FLINT, MICH. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Flint-based Action Auto (NASDAQ: AAST) announced that it will auction excess properties Sept. 27 in a strategic move to reduce its debt.

The property involved is vacant land and improved sites owned by the company throughout Michigan. The sale will be conducted by the national auction firm of Michael Fox Auctioneers, Inc.

"This strategic move is in keeping with the consolidation of our company," said C. James Sabo, Action Auto chairman and chief executive officer. "We hope to raise in excess of $8 million from the sale of these properties and the funds will be used to reduce our debt."

James Wilson, Action Auto director of real estate, said more than 50 properties are involved. "Most of the property is vacant land suitable for commercial development, but some 12 closed stores and improved properties are also included," said Wilson. "We believe the properties are very attractive and are easily adaptable for other uses."

Action Auto, headquartered in Flint, operates 45 stores which sell auto parts, gasoline, and auto repair service. Action Auto filed a voluntary petition for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code on June 15, 1990, in order to continue its restructuring and consolidation program.

CONTACT: Berl Falbaum of Falbaum & Associates, 313-258-2744, for Action Auto

-30- 1569
#90241p9874 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
SUNNYVALE, CA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Weitek Corp. (NASDAQ: WWTK) today announced that its board of directors authorized the company to begin a stock repurchase program whereby up to 1,000,000 shares of its common stock may be purchased in the open market from time to time.

Arthur J. Collmeyer, chairman, stated that the decision was made in view of the low price at which the corporation's stock has recently traded, and that the company may use the stock in connection with employee incentive stock plans. "We feel that share repurchases are an excellent method of providing stock for these programs, and would be beneficial to shareholders, due to the stock's recent trading price."

Weitek is the leading supplier of high-performance numeric processing

solutions. The company's VLSI circuits and software development tools power a broad range of computer systems, from minisupercomputers and engineering workstations to desktop computers and page printers.

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-30- 1207
#90241p9878 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - L. Thomas Mohr has been appointed classified group sales director of the Star Tribune.

In his new position, Mohr will be responsible for recruitment, real estate and private party classified advertising. He will also direct the growth and direction of the newspaper's classified franchise.

"The depth and breadth of Tom's experience will allow him to be a major contributor to the direction of the advertising department overall," said Jim Diaz, the Star Tribune's vice president of advertising. "He brings demonstrated talents in creativity and leadership to an area that we regard as the revenue source with the most vulnerability and the most opportunity."

Most recently, Mohr was director of advertising sales and marketing at the Bakersfield Californian. He has held positions as sales director, display advertising manager, classified advertising manager, marketing manager and sales positions at the Californian, the Peninsula Times Tribune in Palo Alto, the Foster City Progress and the Hamilton Ontario Spectator.

He received a bachelor of arts degree from Queen's University and an MBA from the University of California, Berkeley.

CONTACT: Bette Fenton of Star Tribune, 612-673-4800.

-30- 1432
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MIAMI (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Peter R. Brinckerhoff today announced his resignation from the board of directors of General Development Corporation (NYSE: GDV). Brinckerhoff, who has been a member of the company's board since March 1986, said, "Given the progress that General Development has made in reorganizing, I feel that now is an appropriate time for me to resign." A company spokesman said a replacement for Brinckerhoff will be named at a later time.

CONTACT: Nelly Medel of General Development Corporation, 305-859-4256.

-30- 696
#90241p9886 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
TOTOWA, NJ (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Vital Signs, Inc. (NASDAQ: VITL) announced the initial public offering today of 1,275,000 shares of common stock at a price of $10 per share.

Of the total, 1.2 million shares were offered by the company and 75,000 shares were offered by a selling shareholder. Hambrecht & Quist Incorporated and Shearson Lehman Brothers, Inc. co-managed the underwriting group.

Copies of the prospectus relating to the offering may be obtained from Hambrecht & Quist Incorporated, One Bush St., San Francisco, Calif. 94104, or 230 Park Ave., New York, N.Y. 10169; or from Lehman Brothers, American Express Tower, World Financial Center, 200 Vesey St., New York, N.Y. 10285.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there by any sales of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

CONTACT: Terence D. Wall of Vital Signs, (201) 790-1330.

-30- 1248
#90241p9889 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
PLYMOUTH, MINN. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - In Home Health, Inc. (NASDAQ/OMS: IHHI) announced today that Lew Lieberbaum & Co., Inc., the underwriter of its recent second public offering, had exercised the over-allotment provided in the offering. As a result, the underwriter purchased an additional 900 units and the company received additional net proceeds to $391,500.

In Home Health, Inc. also announced that the underwriter had exercised its option to detach and trade separately the Common Stock, Class B Warrants and Class C Warrants which previously comprised the units. The company's previously outstanding class of warrants issued in 1988, which are now referred to as the Class A Warrants, also continue to trade.

In Home Health, Inc. specializes in providing high quality home health care services to people of all ages. The company currently operates nine branch offices in five regional markets.

In Home Health, Inc. trades under the symbols -- NASDAQ/OMS: IHHI (common stock), IHHIU (1988 units), IHHIW (Class A Warrants), IHHIL (1990 units), IHHIZ (Class B Warrants), IHHIM (Class C Warrants).

CONTACT: Kenneth J. Figge of In Home Health, 612-545-0102

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - CACI International Inc. (NASDAQ: CACIA), with headquarters in the Washington area, today announced the election of Paul J. Coleman Jr., Ph.D., professor of space physics and director of the Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics at the University of California at Los Angeles, as a member of the board of directors of CACI International, effective Aug. 23. Coleman replaces Robert C. McIntosh who retired from the board of directors on Aug. 22.

Coleman is a consultant to industry and government on research and development and to the financial community on investments and management in high-technology enterprises.

CACI's chairman of the board, Dr. J.P. London, stated, "We are delighted with the addition of Paul as a member of the board of directors. He brings to our board a breadth of professional experience in market sectors of continuing national priority, and areas directly related to the application of CACI's information sciences, technology and systems capabilities."

Coleman is a member and former chairman of the oversight committee for the San Diego Supercomputer Center and a trustee of the Universities Space Research Association.

He has served as a director of the National Institute of Space Commercialization and as a member of the Scientific Advisory Committee for the Los Alamos National Laboratory and the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, the steering committee of the National Center for Supercomputer Applications, the steering committee for the California Space Institute, and the board of advisors to the Space Foundation.

Coleman is a co-founder and director of University Technology Transfer, Inc. and a director of Lasertechnics, Inc., Applied Electron Corp. and Fairchild Space and Defense Corp.

He is also a member of the boards of technical advisors of both the External Tanks Corporation of the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research (UCAR) and Micro Satellite Launch Systems, Inc., and chairman of the science advisory board of Orbital Sciences Corporation.

He obtained bachelor of science engineering degrees in mathematics and physics from the University of Michigan in 1954. In 1958, he obtained a master of science in physics from Michigan. In 1963, he entered graduate school at UCLA where, in 1966, he obtained a Ph.D. in space physics.

He served two years as a commissioned officer in the Air Force, with duty in Europe, Turkey and South Korea from 1954 to 1956. In 1961, he went to the headquarters of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in Washington as manager of NASA's interplanetary sciences program. In 1966, he joined the faculty at UCLA and established a laboratory for research in space physics.

In 1970, NASA awarded Coleman its Exceptional Scientific Achievement Medal for his contributions to the exploration of the solar system. In 1972, he was awarded a second of these medals for his contributions to the exploration of the moon.

In 1985, Coleman was appointed by President Reagan to the National Commission on Space. Coleman was born in Evanston, Ill. He currently resides in Pacific Palisades, Calif.

CACI, in its 29th year, is an international high-technology and professional services corporation. CACI is a leader in advanced information systems, engineering, logistics, proprietary software and market analysis. CACI provides worldwide services in support of national defense agencies, civil government and commercial enterprises.

CACI offices are located in major cities in North America and Western Europe. Corporate headquarters are in the metropolitan Washington area.

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MOLINE, ILL. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Deere & Company (NYSE: DE) board of directors today elected Eugene L. Schotanus to the position of executive vice president, financial services. Schotanus has served since 1981 as the company's senior vice president, financial services. Schotanus, age 53, will continue to serve as Deere & Company's chief financial officer.

Hans W. Becherer, Deere & Company's chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The election of Schotanus to executive vice president is in recognition of both the leadership he has provided and the important growth opportunities and income contributions that our financial services operations represent to Deere & Company."

Schotanus joined Deere & Company in 1959 and served in a variety of positions in both the North American and overseas operations. He was elected treasurer in 1974 and vice president in 1978. In 1981, Schotanus was elected senior vice president, financial services. He joined he

company's board of directors in 1981.

Deere & Company's financial services operations include credit and insurance subsidiaries. John Deere Credit -- one of the nation's 25 largest finance companies -- finances the sale of the company's capital equipment as well as recreational vehicles and boats sold by other subsidiaries. The John Deere Insurance Group provides commercial insurance coverages and life insurance products for vehicle and equipment dealership businesses, and also offers personal insurance including homeowner, auto and life. For Deere & Company's latest fiscal year, ended Oct. 31, 1989, the financial services subsidiaries reported net income of $124 million on revenues of $978.4 million.

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RADNOR, PA (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Due to a slowing economy and uncertainty in the automotive market, the Chilton Company announced today that it will suspend publication of Automotive Electronics Review, formerly Fairchild's Automotive Electronics Journal.

"The automotive electronics industry is a fast-growing segment of the market. Unfortunately, today's economic climate will not support a stand-alone magazine devoted to this segment. At this time we feel we can best serve the editorial and advertising needs of the automotive electronics industry by incorporating it into Automotive Industries magazine," said James E. Henne, group publisher of the Chilton Company. The Chilton Company is a division of Capital Cities/ABC.

CONTACT: Any business and advertising questions should be directed to James Henne, (215) 964-4243, and editorial questions should be directed to John McElroy, (313) 875-2090, both of the Chilton Company.

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ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Shopping Network, Inc. (NYSE: HSN), the nation's leading electronic retailer, today announced that at 12:37 p.m. today, net sales passed the milestone of $1,000,000,000 (one billion) in the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1990. For fiscal year 1989, Home Shopping Network, Inc. reported sales of $774.3 million.

Roy M. Speer, chairman and CEO, stated, "This is a historic milestone for Home Shopping Network and the electronic retail industry. Despite the soft economy and a slowdown in retailing in some industries, HSN has achieved record sales and earnings for the first nine months of fiscal

year 1990."

Sales were a record $763.7 million for the nine months ended May 31, 1990, up 30 percent from the comparable period last year, while earnings before extraordinary items also increased to a record $31.1 million or 33 cents per share from $4.2 million or four cents per share last year.

"We are delighted that HSN has attained this milestone after only five years of national operation," Speer noted. "HSN is one of the few companies to obtain this level in such a short time. Home Shopping Network has not been impacted by the recent oil shock or the soft economy, and from every indication we expect this trend of record sales and earnings to continue,"

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#90241p9904 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - AB Volvo (NASDAQ: VOLVY) today issued the following interim report for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990:

Volvo Group income after financial income (expense) during the first six months of 1990 was SEK 2,048 million (4,247 in 1989), a decrease of 52 percent compared to the same period last year. Income after financial income (expense) for the second quarter of 1990 was SEK 996 million (2,250), 56 percent lower than the second quarter 1989.

Operating income for the period was SEK 1,374 million, 60 percent lower than in the first half of 1989. Operating income for the second quarter of 1990 was SEK 749 million, 62 percent below income in the second quarter a year earlier. Profits were lower in all operating sectors except Food.

The continuing unfavorable trend of the market and sharper price competition in a number of Volvo's most important markets for cars and trucks resulted in lower sales volumes, depressed margins and reduced utilization of capacity. Income was also charged with continuously rising development costs for new products.

Volvo Group sales during the first six months of 1990 amounted to SEK 44,592 million (46,549), four percent lower than the same period 1989. Sales for the second quarter 1990 were SEK 22.917 million (23.482), two percent lower than the same period last year. Sales in markets outside Sweden accounted for SEK 35,539 million (37,470), equal to 80 percent of total sales, unchanged from the first-half 1989 percentage.

VOLVO GROUP
(SEK in millions)

	Second quarter			First six months		
	1990	1989	pct change	1990	1989	pct change
Sales	22,482	23,482	- 2	44,592	46,549	- 4
Oper. income	749	1,952	- 62	1,374	3,455	-60
Net earns. per U.S. GAAP, SEK	8.00	12.80	- 38	15.90	26.50	-40
Income per share Swedish GAAP, SEK (30 pct. standard tax	9.10	20.70	- 56	18.60	40.4	-54

The following is a comment on Volvo's six months interim report by Christer Zetterberg:

The trend of income during 1990 has not been satisfactory. The negative trend of sales and income noted after the first quarter has continued. Our three largest markets - the United States, Great Britain and Sweden - are still weak, with resulting price competition and depressed margins.

The cost trend in Sweden continues to be a major problem and our increase in productivity is not compensating for inflation. Forceful measures have been applied to reduce our costs and improve our competitiveness.

During 1990 and 1991 we plan to decrease the number of employees by about 5,000, mainly within the Cars operating sector. The work force in Volvo Cars and Volvo Trucks has been reduced by slightly more than 1,000 persons already in 1990. We are also working actively to reduce absenteeism due to illness, as well as employee turnover, and we are now beginning to see that these efforts are yielding results.

We are adapting production to current market conditions and we are reviewing our capital expenditure program. We are also investing aggressively to develop products and markets in order to strengthen and broaden our international competitiveness. This year, we are investing a total of approximately seven billion kronor, which is charged directly against current operating income, to develop new products.

We recently introduced the Volvo 960 and 940, the first in a series of new models. The Volvo 960 is equipped with a completely new engine and gearbox among other features.

At the same time, we are increasing the efficiency of our product development programs. The Volvo 960, for example, was developed over a much shorter-than-normal period.

Within a few years, the alliance with Renault will further rationalize our

product development in the Trucks and Buses operating sectors as well as in Cars. In a period of sharpened competition, it is clear that the reasons for an alliance with Renault have only become stronger.

Volvo's associated companies have developed well. I should like to note that the market value of our holding in Saga Petroleum, the Norwegian company, is now approximately four billion Swedish kronor, compared with an acquisition cost of slightly more than five hundred million.

The new Procordia has gotten off to a strong start and inspires confidence for the future. The market value of Volvo's holding in the company is approximately 18 billion kronor.

SALES BY OPERATING SECTOR

	Second quarter 1990 (In SEK millions)	Pct. Chng. from Second quarter 1989	First six months 1990 (In SEK millions)	Pct. Chng. From first six months 1989
Cars	10,729	(3)	21,313	(4)
Trucks	6,074	(7)	11,751	(6)
Buses	920	3	1,813	4
Marine & industrial engines	786	(3)	1,489	1
Aerospace	558	(11)	929	(14)
Food	2,343	(5)	4,522	(2)(A)
Other operations	1,507	15	2,775	7
Volvo Group total	22,917	(3)	44,592	(3)(A)

The total market for cars in Western Europe was largely the same as during the first half of 1989 and demand was firm in most countries except Great Britain and Sweden, two of Volvo's most important markets, where sales declined 11 and 17 percent, respectively.

Group car sales in Western Europe as a whole were lower, but increases were recorded in Italy and Spain, among other countries. Volvo's share of the market in Sweden continued to be slightly more than 20 percent, while sales were lower than during the first six months last year.

The total market in North America declined slightly more than four percent and Volvo's sales were approximately seven percent lower. Sales in Japan and Southeast Asian markets rose about 70 percent, compared with the corresponding period a year ago.

During the first six months of the current year 198,000 (206,000) Volvo cars were delivered to customers. Of this number, 130,000 (139,000) were

in the 200/700 series and 68,000 (67,000) in the 300/400 series.

Demand for heavy trucks in North America continued to decline, compared with the preceding quarter, and price competition sharpened. Volvo's share of the market was slightly higher. Demand in Western Europe was somewhat lower than during the first half a year ago, while prices continued to decline in many of Volvo's important markets. The Group's share of the market was lower than in the first six months of 1989.

Demands for trucks in other parts of the world continued to be relatively strong. The Brazilian market has recovered and Volvo's share was higher than in the corresponding period last year. The market in large parts of Asia was also strong and Volvo improved its position there.

Volvo delivered a total of 27,100 medium heavy and heavy trucks during the first six months of 1990, compared with 30,500 in the year-earlier period. The order backlog at June 30 was largely unchanged, compared with bookings on the same date in 1989.

The number of Volvo and Leyland buses and bus chassis delivered during the first six months of the year was smaller than during the corresponding period in 1989. The softening in order bookings noted at the end of the first quarter continued and the backlog at June 30 was lower than a year earlier. However, Volvo buses maintained its share of the market in Western Europe.

Early July, the bus business of the Austrian company Steyr-Daimler-Puch AG was transferred to a newly formed company, Steyr Bus GmbH, in which Volvo buses owns 75 percent of the share capital and voting rights.

A cooperation agreement with Sabanci, the leading industrial group in Turkey, was also concluded during the period. The agreement covers the assembly of bus chassis and production for buses under license.

Order bookings for both marine and industrial engines were higher than during the first half of 1989. In Western Europe, where demand for marine engines continued to be firm, Volvo Penta's sales of marine engines were higher than in the corresponding period last year. In contrast, sales in the weaker North American market were lower. Sales of industrial engines were largely unchanged from first-half 1989 levels.

In the Aerospace operating sector, maintenance work on RMS engines for the Swedish Air Force's Viggen aircraft increased. Order bookings for commercial aircraft engines continued to be very substantial and deliveries were higher.

Negotiations are under way with General Electric with respect to cooperation on a new engine program for large passenger aircraft.

Invoicing of commercial aircraft engines was affected adversely by delays in deliveries by aircraft manufacturers.

Sales in the food operating sector - excluding Hilleshog, which was sold during the third quarter of 1989 - were slightly lower than during the first half of 1989, due to liquidation of the Abba company's international trading in fish.

The Volvo-Renault alliance;

Final agreements with Renault are expected to be concluded during the autumn.

The Procordia Transaction

At the end of the second quarter AB Volvo converted its holdings of shares in Provendor AB and Pharmacia AB for a shareholding in Procordia AB representing 42 percent of Procordia's share capital and 39 percent of the voting rights.

Since the transaction between AB Volvo and the Swedish government has been completed, the Provendor group has been transferred to the Procordia group. Conversion of shares will be effected so that Volvo and the Swedish Government will each have the same percentage of voting rights, 42.5.

Provendor is included in Volvo's consolidated income statement for the first six months of 1990 but not in the consolidated balance sheet as per June 30, 1990. The shareholding in Procordia is shown in Volvo's balance sheet at June 30, 1990 in an amount equal to the book value of Provendor and Pharmacia; as a result, the conversion of shares does not affect Volvo's consolidated income. Volvo's share of Procordia's income will be included in the group income statement effective in the third quarter.

(Condensed, consolidated in SEK million)

	Second quarter		First six months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	22,917	23,482	44,592	46,549
Cost and expenses	(21,479)	(20,880)	(41,819)	(41,815)
Depreciation and amort.	(689)	(650)	(1,399)	(1,279)
Operating income	749	1,952	1,374	3,455
Inc. from equity method investments	199	199	449	426
Net interest income	38	163	177	358
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	(5)	(87)	26	(145)
Other financial items	15	23	22	153
Inc. after financial income (expense)	996	2,250	2,048	4,247

Extraord. income (expense)	--	69	--	275
Minority interest in income	8	(30)	14	(45)
Income before allocations and taxes	1,004	2,289	2,062	4,477
Income per share, SEK(B) (30 pct. standard tax)	9.10	20.70	18.60	40.40
Inc. per share, excluding extraord. taxes (30 pct.) standard tax)	9.10	20.00	18.60	37.90
Approx. net income per share in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. GAAP)	8.00	12.80	15.90	26.50

Rationalization measures have been undertaken to adjust production rates and reduce costs. The number of employees in the cars and trucks operating sectors declined by slightly more than 1,000 during the first six months of the year.

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VIENNA, VA. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - John Morton III has been named president, chief executive officer and a director of Perpetual Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: PFCP) and Perpetual Savings Bank, F.S.B. effective Aug. 30.

Thomas J. Owen made the announcement following a board of directors meeting at which Morton, 46, was appointed. Owen remains chairman of the board.

The appointment of Morton coincides with the implementation of Perpetual's new business plan, announced in June, designed to restructure the company into a stronger, more streamlined bank with primary emphasis on consumer and mortgage banking. This strategic shift calls for Perpetual to concentrate its efforts in the Washington metropolitan area.

"Perpetual's 109-year history in Washington, blended with John Morton's in-depth knowledge of the banking field and the Washington market, should provide a winning formula for increasing total retail deposits and the number of customers relying on Perpetual as their primary bank," said Owen. "His experience on both the deposit and lending side of the banking business re-enforces our new emphasis on consumer banking."

Under the new business plan, Perpetual will continue to focus on mortgage lending through its subsidiary, Perpetual Mortgage Company, the largest residential loan originator in the Washington Metropolitan area for the last three years.

"John Morton is a highly-respected executive whose many years of experience in the financial industry will bring a vision and the energy needed in today's competitive, complex banking world," noted Owen. "With John's leadership, we look forward to capitalizing on our competent staff and extensive branch network."

Morton most recently served as executive vice president at Maryland National Bank (MNB) in Baltimore, where he was credited with growing MNB's market share through the development of new deposit product strategies emphasizing cross-sales and sales incentives. During his 17-year history with MNB, he was senior vice president and manager of the Washington Suburban Banking Division, where he led an expanded MNB retail and commercial presence in the Washington metro area. As regional vice president for Montgomery County, he led a branch expansion effort that more than doubled the network in three years. Morton served on MNB's management, senior loan, and loan policy committees.

Perpetual Financial Corporation, with assets of $5.4 billion, is the holding company for Perpetual Savings Bank, F.S.B., the largest thrift institution in Virginia, Maryland and Washington.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The France Growth Fund, Inc. (NYSE: FRF) a diversified, closed-end management investment company whose objective is long-term capital appreciation through investment primarily in French equity securities, today announced the results for its initial period of investment operations.

For the six-week period May 18, 1990 to June 30, 1990, the France Growth Fund outperformed the SBF General index -- the leading French securities market index -- by 0.6 percent in U.S. dollar terms and by 2.2 percent in French franc terms. Over the same period, the net asset value of the fund decreased slightly from U.S. $11.16 on May 18, 1990 to U.S. $11.08 on June 29, the last trading day in the period. During the period, the fund received a total of $127.41 million in net proceeds from the initial public offering of 11.5 million shares of its common stock.

For the May 18 to June 30, 1990 period, the fund realized a net loss of U.S. $1.49 million, or U.S. 13 cents per share, on net investment income of U.S. $1.53 million, also equivalent to U.S. 13 cents per share. The results were primarily attributable to a net realized loss of U.S. $1.7 million on foreign currency transactions, partially offset by net unrealized appreciation of U.S. $266,000 in the fund's investments.

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NEW ORLEANS (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Securities and Exchange Commission has approved Entergy Corp.'s (NYSE: ETR) request to form a new subsidiary -- Entergy Power Inc. -- which will sell electricity in the wholesale market beyond the existing Entergy service area, announced Jerry D. Jackson, Entergy executive vice president of finance and external affairs.

Following the SEC approval Tuesday, the new company purchased Arkansas Power & Light Co.'s interests in two generating units, Ritchie 2 and Independence 2.

Entergy Power will be the company's entry into the independent power production business, a move designed to allow Entergy Corp. to compete for power requirements of other utilities in the developing power generation marketplace.

Jack King, who retains his position as executive vice president of operations for Entergy Services Inc., is the president of Entergy Power.

SEC permission was the final step required in the approval process, Jackson said. Earlier, required approvals were provided by the Arkansas Public Service Commission, the Public Service Commission of Missouri, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

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MIAMI (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - General Development Corporation (NYSE: GDV) today unveiled to U.S. Bankruptcy Court Judge A. Jay Cristol a comprehensive Homesite Purchaser Assurance Program designed to assure delivery of a developed homesite lot to all of its homesite purchasers and to provide a stable financial base for future company operations.

The company said the homesite plan includes the creation of a land trust to help assure delivery of deeds to those who pay off their contracts, financial incentives for homesite buyers to continue making payments, and a lot transfer program, under which customers with contracts for homesites which are currently undeveloped would be transferred to a comparable developed homesite. The company said the Homesite Purchaser Assurance Program is a vital component of the company's Chapter 11 reorganization plan.

The program was developed following extensive research and sampling of customer concerns. It balances customer preferences against the financial feasibility of the incentive program. The incentives are aimed at retaining a sufficient amount in the contracts receivable portfolio to allow GDC to emerge from bankruptcy as a viable company. In addition to meeting its homesite lot delivery obligations, the plan will minimize the future development liabilities of the company in its communities.

In devising the plan, the company thoroughly evaluated its entire inventory of lots and every homesite purchaser's contract. The team responsible for developing the program was headed by Gordon Pfersich, GDC senior vice president of land operations, and Lisa Anness, head of the company's planning group. U.S. Communications, a Minneapolis based consulting firm, talked to hundreds of GDC homesite customers to determine their major concerns and the types of incentive programs which would persuade them to participate in the program.

The research revealed that the top priority of GDC homesite buyers is assurance that they will receive a deed to a developed homesite. Their second most important priority was financial incentives.

Approximately 21 percent of GDC customers made their July homesite payment. If customers received assurances of obtaining a deed to a developed homesite and financial incentives, the survey indicated that approximately 63 percent of GDC's customers indicated they would continue making payments.

General Development President Thomas J. Hutchison said the Homesite Customer Assurance Program "is a major positive step in the reorganization efforts of General Development. It addresses many of the concerns of our valued customers and provides the opportunity for the company to create a stable financial base for future operations."

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DALLAS (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - OKC Limited Partnership (NASDAQ: OKC) announced today that the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit affirmed the order issued by the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas that certain dissident unitholders, led by J.R. Simplot of Idaho, had no right to vote their units in a 1987 proxy contest. The appellate court's unanimous decision shows that Simplot and his allies had no basis whatsoever for seeking to oust OKC's General Partners by counting votes which they simply did not have as a matter of law.

Cloyce K. Box, one of OKC's two general partners, said that, "We are gratified that the Court agreed with our arguments. The decision is a complete victory for those of us who have spent years working to enhance value for OKC unitholders." According to Box, today's opinion "should end J.R. Simplot's baseless effort to grab control of OKC Limited Partnership."

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EDEN PRAIRIE, MN (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation (NASDAQ: CPTC) announced today that John Cox has joined CPT-Compeer Corporation, a wholly owned direct marketing subsidiary, as general manager of its PC Division. Formerly vice president of sales for Northgate Computers, Inc., Cox's experience also includes five years with Dell Computer Systems in key roles including National Sales Manager.

CPT-Compeer President and CEO Arun Dube said, "We are delighted that John is joining our staff. He brings with him a wealth of experience in telemarketing computers, and he will be very valuable to our efforts to focus our telemarketing program. John has been a vital contributor to the growth and success of Dell and Northgate, and we expect him to be a key contributor to our plans as well."

The company also announced that it will be exhibiting its PC computer line at the Sept. 13 Telemarketing Show to be held at the Thunderbird Motel in Bloomington, Minn. CPT products will share a booth with Control Data Corporation to show CPT-Compeer workstations running various software products including REDI-MAIL, an electronic mail package developed jointly by CDC and AT&T.

"This show will be one of the first major opportunities for potential telemarketing customers, CPT shareholders, and other interested parties to see our workstation line in action," said Dube. "In CPT-Compeer personal computers, we have a unique opportunity to build upon CPT's 20 years of experience in the office automation industry. With these products, our

focus continues to be on the highest levels of quality and customer support."

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KANSAS CITY, MO. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Drue Jennings, president and chief executive officer of Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE: KLT), today sent the following letter to Wilson K. Cadman, chairman of the board and president of Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE):

I noted in KG&E's 14D-9 amendment filed yesterday with the Securities and Exchange Commission that KG&E may undertake negotiations which could result in an extraordinary transaction, including a merger or business combination.

As I mentioned in my July 23 letter to you, and as we have made clear several times through our financial advisor, KCPL strongly desires a negotiated transaction with KG&E and stands ready to meet with you and other representatives of KG&E immediately to discuss all aspects of our offer.

We are concerned that KG&E's statement indicates that you may enter into discussions with third parties without also engaging in discussions with us.

We believe our $27 offer price for each share of KG&E common stock is full and fair and represents an exceptional opportunity for your shareholders. In addition, we believe the synergies which will result from a combination of our two companies will have significant benefits for the customers and communities which KG&E and KCPL serve, and cannot be duplicated by any other party. However, the terms of our offer and our estimates of the synergies that can result from the merger were based upon our review of publicly available information and without any input from KG&E. We wish to meet with you and your advisors to explain our proposal and to discuss with you the synergies that can result from a combination.

If, as a result of these discussions, additional synergies or other values we have not taken into account can be demonstrated, we would be willing to consider adjustments to our offer.

Let's meet before you take any steps, such as agreeing to substantial commitment and other fees or agreeing to merge with, or sell significant assets to, a third party, which could impede your board's ability to deliver maximum value to your shareholders. We believe that the KG&E Board cannot, consistent with its fiduciary duties, take these or similar

actions without giving us a full opportunity to meet with you to discuss our offer.

KCPL sincerely wishes to effect a negotiated combination with KG&E. In the final analysis, a meeting between us can only serve to advance the interests of shareholders, employees and customers.

The company has extended its tender offer to 7 p.m., New York City time, Sept. 14, 1990.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Enforcement actions have been initiated against Ponce Federal Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: PFBS), Ponce, Puerto Rico, its board of directors and former chairman for the purpose of increasing the bank's safety and soundness.

The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) said it has issued a temporary cease and desist order against Ramiro L. Colon, former chairman, president and chief executive officer and now a stockholder, and his brother, Wendell W. Colon, former thrift counsel and now also a stockholder.

In addition, OTS has issued a temporary order against Ramiro Colon suspending him from any position he may hold at the bank and prohibiting him from any participation in the bank's affairs.

The OTS orders do not affect the bank's day-to-day operations and the safety of depositors' accounts, which continue to be insured up to $100,000. Ponce Federal Bank is one of the largest savings and loan institutions in Puerto Rico, with assets of $1.3 billion.

The Colons are required to stop causing the bank to violate OTS regulations against loans to affiliated parties and insider transactions, and to post $50,000 bond to make funds available for restitution to the bank. They are also required to make detailed accountings by Sept. 7 of dealings surrounding the sale of 101 horses by Caribbean Bloodstock Agency to Haras Surena, Inc., and the bank's forgiveness of loans made for the benefit of Forest G. Niccum and Enrique Ubarri and companies with which they may have been associated.

The bank is directed to comply with OTS regulations dealing with loans to affiliated parties and insider transactions; limit any advance indemnification to Colon for the costs of defending against OTS actions;

stop any direct employment-related payments to Ramiro Colon; and deny the Colons access to any of the institution's records or files. The bank was also directed to change its locks and deny keys to the Colons, and to make an accounting of any payments made for legal expenses incurred by the bank the board and the Colons.

In addition, the order calls for the members of the board and Ramiro Colon to pay $615,000 in restitution to the bank. Restitution is sought from the individuals for causing the bank to pay that amount to Colon after they were informed by OTS that it intended to take administrative action to remove him from his posts as chairman, president and chief executive officer.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron International Oil Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of Chevron Corp. (NYSE: CHV), today announced a major reorganization of its cargo trading activities aimed at improving its market focus and its ability to react to the increasingly competitive challenges in the worldwide marketplace. The major change is to restructure Chevron International's oil trading businesses into strategic profit centers that will place decision-making and accountability into individual, stand-alone business units which can respond more quickly to market conditions.

Implementing the new organization will involve relocation of Chevron International's crude oil trading headquarters from San Francisco to Houston, with major offices in London and Singapore. Chevron International's products trading activities will be segregated into four regional units recognizing the regional nature of the products business. Europe/Middle East products offices will be based in London; West Africa products activities will be managed from London, with offices in Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire and Lagos, Nigeria; Americas products will be based in Stamford, Conn.; and Pacific Rim products will be based in Singapore.

Management changes related to the reorganization, effective Sept. 1, include the appointment of Peter McCrea to the new position of senior vice president of supply and trading. McCrea, 50, was previously a vice president of Chevron Chemical Co., responsible for its agricultural chemical and fertilizer businesses.

Reporting to McCrea will be Gerry F. Vetromile, who is appointed vice president, crude trading, located in Houston; Robert H. Brotherton, appointed vice president, Americas and Pacific Rim products, San Francisco; and Chuck D. Hartquist, appointed vice president, trading

services, San Francisco. R.MarkElliott will continue as vice president, Europe/Middle East/Africa products, based in London.

Other management appointments include Fred W. Almus, assistant general manager, crude trading, located in London; Russ J. Riddell, regional manager, products - Europe/Middle East, London; and Moustafa R. Habib, regional manager, products - West Africa, located in London. In addition Andy M. Scott is appointed regional manager, products - Americas, located in Stamford, Conn.; and Sarah E. Ferris is appointed regional manager, products - Pacific Rim, located in Singapore.

Chevron International conducts international cargo trading, markets aviation fuels outside the United States, markets marine fuels, lubricants and aviation fluids worldwide, and markets liquified natural gas produced in Australia.

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#90241p9957 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

GARLAND, TX (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Old Spaghetti Warehouse, Inc. (AMEX: OSW) which is traded today announced financial results for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the fiscal year 1990 were $37.2 million, up from fiscal 1989 revenues of $28 million, an increase of 32.7 percent. The company posted net income of $2,863,751 compared with last year's net income of $1,866,774, an increase of 53.4 percent. Fully diluted earnings per share were $.93 compared to $.75 last year, an increase of 24 percent. This was achieved in spite of an increase of 24.7 percent in fully diluted shares outstanding.

The 18-year-old company operates a chain of 15 restaurants in Texas, Ohio, Florida, Tennessee, Georgia, New York, Pennsylvania and Oklahoma. Construction is now underway on new units in downtown Little Rock, Arkansas, for scheduled opening in October 1990 and in downtown Charlotte, North Carolina, for scheduled opening in January 1991. The restaurants, which operate under the name "The Spaghetti Warehouse," feature a menu of inexpensive Italian food served in a family oriented, nostalgic and casual atmosphere.

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#90241p9966 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Permian Partners L.P. (NYSE: PPA)

(Permian) today reported results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 and full payment of quarterly cash distribution to preference unitholders.

Net loss for the quarter totaled $14,736,000 or 41 cents per preference unit on revenues of $514,389,000. This compares to a net loss of $3,166,000 or 1 cent per preference unit on revenues of $654,784,000 in the quarter ended June 30, 1989. The large difference in the net loss for the two periods is a result of the effect of crude oil price changes. During the second quarter of 1989, prices were stable, while during the second quarter of 1990, prices fell $3.25 per barrel. As Permian maintained an average inventory of approximately 2.2 million barrels for the second quarter of 1990, the losses resulting from crude oil price decreases were significant.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, Permian reported a net loss of $22,898,000 on revenues of $1,169,515,000 compared to a net loss of $2,666,000 on revenues of $1,268,570,000 for the first half of 1989. Net income (loss) per preference unit was (59 cents) and 11 cents for the six months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

As previously announced on June 15, 1990, Permian's quarterly cash distribution of $.2875 per unit ($1.15 annually) will be paid on Aug. 31, 1990 to cumulative convertible preference unitholders of record July 2, 1990.

Permian, headquartered in Houston, is a limited partnership created to continue the business formerly conducted by The Permian Corp. There are currently 18,500,000 preference units outstanding. The Permian Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of National Intergroup Inc., acts as general partner.

Permian's preference units are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol PPApr.

Permian's principal business is purchasing crude oil in the Mid-Continent region of the United States, transporting it and selling it to refiners and other customers. Permian is one of the largest independent crude oil gathering operations in the United States.

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#90241p9969 08/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PASADENA, Calif. (AUG. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Avery International Corp. (NYSE: AVY) and Dennison Manufacturing Company (NYSE: DSN) announced today that they have agreed with the antitrust division of the United States Department of Justice to allow the antitrust division until Sept. 28 to

complete its review of their proposed merger.

Avery and Dennison each intends to hold its special meeting of stockholders and seek stockholder approval of the merger, as scheduled, on Sept. 11, 1990. The companies anticipate being in a position to close the transaction shortly after the antitrust division has completed its review.

Avery, headquartered in Pasadena, is a leading worldwide Fortune 300 manufacturer of self-adhesive base materials, labels, tapes, office products and specialty chemicals.

Dennison, based in Framingham, Mass., is a diversified Fortune 500 manufacturer serving worldwide markets for stationery and office products, systems for identification and control and package decoration systems.

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#90241u0165 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 29) UPI - U-S officials say 10 people were killed and five more injured Tuesday in the crash of a giant Air Force C-5 transport plane in West Germany. At least two more people are reported missing. An Air Force spokesman confirms that the plane. took off from Ramstein Air Force base near Frankfurt and crashed about a quarter-of-a-mile from the end of the runway. The plane ferrying medical supplies was taking part in operations linked to the deployment of U-S forces in the Middle East.

The death toll continues to climb in the communities southwest of Chicago hard-hit by tornadoes Tuesday afternoon. Officials in Will County, Illinois, say at least 20 people were killed and more than 200 injured when the twisters tore through residential areas of Joliet, Plainfield, Crest Hill, Wheatland Township and Lockport Township. The National Guard has been called in to aid in relief efforts and to prevent looting.

That same storm was among the weather systems that later moved through Indiana with funnel clouds, torrential downpours and golf ball-size hail. Winds clocked at more than 50 miles an hour knocked down a house under construction near South Bend... killing one person.

Scientists told the American Chemical Society's annual meeting in Washington Tuesday that American soldiers have little to fear from Iraq's chemical weapons armory. They say such warfare is inefficient, and would probably be used NOT to kill, but to slow down troops by forcing them to put on what one scientist called ''those awful suits.'' U-S soldiers sent to Saudi Arabia have received gas masks and protective rubber suits to

guard against the potentially deadly agents.

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#90241u0168 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 29) UPI - Nicaragua and Honduras began high-level military contacts Tuesday aimed at easing relations that became strained because Honduras harbored the Contra rebels during Nicaragua's nine-year civil war. The commander of Nicaragua's Sandinista Popular Army met with his Honduran counterpart at an army base on the outskirts of Managua. Central American military leaders are scheduled to meet next month for talks on regional military reductions.

A survey projects that salary increases will average five-point-four percent in 1991. That's almost identical to the five-and-a-half-percent average pay hike reported by survey respondents for this year. But pollsters say the raises may NOT keep pace with inflation due to higher fuel costs.

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#90241u0258 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AUG. 29) UPI - Countdown clocks started ticking Wednesday for the repaired and presumably leak-free shuttle Columbia's predawn blastoff Saturday on a long-delayed astronomy flight, NASA's first shuttle mission in four months.

''We've been waiting for this for a long time,'' a NASA spokesman said, looking back on the space agency's long, launchless summer. ''Everybody's ready to go.''

Columbia's carefully scripted countdown began on time at 1 a.m. EDT Wednesday and if all goes well, the veteran spaceplane and its seven-man crew will take off at 1:17 a.m. Saturday, streaking through the nighttime sky in a fiery climb to orbit visible for hundreds of miles, weather permitting.

Commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46, were scheduled to fly to Florida from Houston Wednesday night for final preparations.

The astronauts, working around the clock in two shifts, plan to spend at least nine days in orbit training a battery of high-tech telescopes on planets, stars and galaxies to study high-energy light that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

Unlike the Hubble Space Telescope, which was launched from Discovery April

25, the four telescopes aboard Columbia will remain in the spaceplane's cargo bay throughout the mission, operated by the ship's crew much like a ground-based observatory.

The relatively modest $150 million payload promises revolutionary results, giving astronomers their first detailed glimpse of what the universe looks like in the high-energy ultraviolet and X-ray regions of the spectrum.

Space agency managers debated delaying Columbia's launch a day or so in order to first move the shuttle Discovery to nearby launch pad 39B for work to ready the ship for a higher-priority Oct. 5 flight to carry the European-built Ulysses solar probe into space.

But late Tuesday, engineers reported Discovery would not be ready for the move until Saturday night at the earliest, and shuttle program officials decided to press ahead with plans to launch Columbia on time.

''The schedule shows Columbia's going to be ready for its launch on the first (of September),'' said a NASA spokesman. ''So the decision was to go for launch.''

NASA engineers wanted to get Discovery on its launch pad before Columbia's liftoff if at all possible to avoid losing time in the event Columbia runs into problems getting off pad 39A.

But with work inside the Vehicle Assembly Building to bolt Discovery to a pair of boosters and an external tank lagging behind schedule, Columbia's crew was cleared for an on-time blastoff Saturday.

Columbia originally was scheduled for launch May 30, but the flight was delayed because of a hydrogen fuel leak in the ship's 17-inch-wide ''disconnect'' fitting, which allows the external tank to be jettisoned in space.

Another fuel leak grounded the shuttle Atlantis in July, prompting NASA managers to haul Columbia, equipped with a new disconnect fitting, back out to the launch pad for another try this week.

Engineers initially believed Atlantis and Columbia were victims of separate problems, and that may still be the case.

But engineers said Monday the hydrogen leak that grounded Atlantis apparently involved trouble with the ship's disconnect fitting, not a fuel line flange as originally believed.

Whether the fitting was damaged by tiny glass beads like those blamed for marring seals in Columbia's disconnect remains to be seen and additional tests are scheduled at the Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville,

Ala., to resolve the matter once and for all.

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#90241u0269 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 29) UPI - Air Force officials are investigating Tuesday's crash of a C-5 transport plane carrying medical and maintenance supplies from Ramstein Air Force Base to Rhein-Main Air Force Base near Frankfort. 10 people were killed and five more injured when the plane went down shortly after take-off, about a quarter of a mile from the end of the runway. At least two people are reported missing. The aircraft was based at Travis Air Force Base, California, but the flight crew was from Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

A strong line of thunderstorms moving through northeastern Illinois Tuesday afternoon spawned tornadoes that cut a path of destruction through several communities southwest of Chicago. Officials say at least 20 people are known to have been killed, with more than 200 injured. Homes and a high school were leveled... cars and trucks overturned... and electricity and phone service knocked out.

A State Department spokesman says they are hoping for the best, but have NOT been able to confirm an offer made by Iraq's President Saddam Hussein on Iraqi Television. In the broadcast, Saddam offers to release all foreign woman and children in Iraqi custody- beginning Wednesday. It is NOT clear if Saddam's offer includes foreign nationals in occupied Kuwait... which Iraq designated Tuesday as another Iraqi province.

The renamed Exxon Valdez- now known as the Exxon Mediterranean- returns to sea Wednesday for the first time since the nation's worst oil spill. Officials at the National Steel and Shipbuilding Company in San Diego, California, say the tanker... which underwent a massive repair job... will be put through its paces off the California coast. If all goes well, the ship will leave North American waters for good and head for its new service route in the Mediterranean by late September.

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#90241u0270 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 29) UPI - The prosecution has rested in the Painesville, Ohio, murder trial of cult leader Jeffrey Don Lundgren. His wife, Alice Lundgren faces sentencing Wednesday for her convictions in the case... in which a follower of Lundgren was killed, along with his wife and three children. Lundgren faces the death sentence if convicted. His wife could receive life in prison.

Tim Rivers' diving mule act went off without a hitch Tuesday at a fair in Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania... despite protests by animal rights activists.

The People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals has declared a nationwide war against Rivers' traveling show. The group accuses Rivers of using electrical devices to shock his mules into diving off the ramps. But Rivers says he's NOT stupid enough ''to walk up behind a mule and give him an electric shock.''

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(AUG. 29) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	71	57	.555	-	39-21	32-36	8-2	W-5
Toronto	66	64	.508	6	33-34	33-30	2-8	L-5
Milwaukee	60	68	.469	11	28-34	32-34	8-2	W-2
Detroit	60	69	.465	11 1/2	32-35	28-34	6-4	L-1
Baltimore	59	68	.465	11 1/2	28-32	31-36	3-7	L-4
Cleveland	59	69	.461	12	32-31	27-38	3-7	L-2
New York	55	73	.430	16	30-32	25-41	7-3	W-3
West								
Oakland	80	48	.625	-	41-22	39-26	5-5	W-1
Chicago	73	54	.575	6 1/2	38-29	35-25	5-5	L-4
Texas	66	63	.512	14 1/2	37-28	29-35	5-5	L-2
California	65	65	.500	16	34-30	31-35	5-5	W-4
Kansas City	64	64	.500	16	39-29	25-35	7-3	L-1
Seattle	63	66	.488	17 1/2	33-33	30-33	3-7	W-1
Minnesota	58	71	.450	22 1/2	31-33	27-38	3-7	W-2

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(AUG. 29) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Kelly cf	4	0	0	0	Finley rf	4	0	3	0
Azocar lf	5	1	1	2	Anderson lf	3	2	1	2
Nokes c	4	1	1	0	CRipken ss	4	0	1	1
Tolleson ss	0	1	0	0	Tettleton c	4	0	0	0
Maas 1b	5	3	3	1	Orsulak dh	4	0	0	0
Hall dh	3	0	0	0	Wrthngtn 3b	3	0	0	0
Balboni dh	2	0	0	0	Devereax cf	3	0	0	0
Barfield rf	4	2	4	4	Segui 1b	3	1	1	0
Velarde 3b	5	1	1	3	Gonzales 2b	3	0	1	0
Espinoza ss	3	1	0	0					
Geren c	0	0	0	0					

Sax 2b	4	1	2	0					
Totals	39	11	12	10	Totals	31	3	7	3

New York	010	203	005-	11
Baltimore	100	001	010-	3

DP-New York 1. LOB-New York 5, Baltimore 3. 2B-Maas 2, Finley. 3B-CRipken, Barfield. HR-Anderson (3), Barfield (20), Velarde (2). SB-Barfield (4), Finley (19), Sax (33). SF-Anderson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Witt (W 3-6)	8	7	3	3	1	6
Guetterman	1	0	0	0	0	0
Baltimore						
Mesa (L 0-1)	6 2-3	6	6	6	3	2
Price	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	2
Olson	1-3	4	5	5	0	1
Bautista	2-3	1	0	0	0	0

HBP-by Olson (Espinoza). WP-Olson. Balk-Mesa. T-2:47. A-23,900.

Umpires-Home, Welke; 1b, Coble; 2b, Evans; 3b, Ford.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Bradley dh	3	0	1	0	Gladden lf	5	1	1	1
Johnson cf	4	0	1	1	Liriano 2b	3	1	2	1
Calderon lf	4	1	1	0	Newman 2b	1	0	1	0
Pasqua rf	4	1	2	2	Hrbek 1b	5	1	2	4
Fisk c	4	1	0	0	Gaetti 3b	5	1	1	0
Thomas 1b	4	2	2	1	Larkin rf	4	1	1	0
Ventura 3b	3	0	0	0	Mack cf	0	0	0	0
Fletcher 2b	4	0	1	1	Sorrento dh	2	1	0	0
Guillen ss	4	1	1	1	Castillo dh	1	1	1	0
					Ortiz c	2	2	1	1
					Moses cf	3	2	2	2
					Gagne ss	3	1	2	3
Totals	34	6	9	6	Totals	34	12	14	12

Chicago	011	300	001-	6
Minnesota	002	320	05x-	12

E-Fletcher. DP-Chicago 3. LOB- Chicago 3, Minnesota 4. 2B-Calderon, Pasqua, Thomas, Larkin. HR-Pasqua (13), Hrbek (19), Thomas (1). SF-Gagne.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Fernandez	3	6	5	5	2	2
Peterson (L 2-5)	3 1-3	2	2	2	0	0
Radinsky	1 2-3	6	5	5	2	0
Minnesota						
Erickson	3 1-3	7	5	5	0	1
Drummond (W 2-4)	2 2-3	1	0	0	2	1
Wayne (S 1)	3	1	1	1	0	2

Fernandez pitched to 5 batters in the 4th.

HBP-by Fernandez (Sorrento). T- 3:01. A-16,480.

Umpires-Home, Phillips; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, Craft; 3b, McCoy.

TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
Pettis cf	3	0	1	0	Polonia dh	4	0	1	1
Reimer ph	1	0	0	0	White cf	4	0	0	0
Huson ss	4	0	0	0	Winfield rf	3	0	0	0
Palmeiro 1b	3	0	0	0	Stevens 1b	3	0	1	0
Sierra rf	3	0	0	0	Parrish c	3	0	0	0
Franco 2b	3	0	0	0	Howell 3b	3	0	0	0
Baines dh	2	0	1	0	Bichette lf	2	0	0	0
Incaviglia lf	3	0	0	0	Ray 2b	3	1	1	0
Petralli c	3	0	2	0	Schofield ss	2	1	0	0
Kunkel 3b	2	0	0	0					
Daughrty ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	28	0	4	0	Totals	27	2	3	1

Texas	000 000 000- 0
California	002 000 00x- 2

E-Kunkel. DP-California 2. LOB- Texas 2, California 3.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Ryan (L 12-7)	8	3	2	1	1	11
California						
McCaskill (W 10-9)	9	4	0	0	1	4

HBP-by Ryan (Bichette). WP-Ryan. T-2:07. A-37,692.

Umpires-Home, Scott; 1b, Roe; 2b, Garcia; 3b, Palermo.

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Seitzer 3b	4	0	0	0	RHendrsn lf	4	1	2	0
Eisenrech cf	4	1	2	0	Lansford 3b	5	0	3	0
Brett 1b	4	0	2	1	Canseco dh	4	0	0	0
Tartabull rf	3	1	1	1	McGwire 1b	4	1	2	0
Wilson cf	0	0	0	0	x-Steinbch c	3	0	2	2
Jackson lf	3	0	1	0	Jose rf	4	0	2	1
Perry dh	4	0	0	0	Randolph 2b	4	0	0	0
Macfarlan c	4	0	0	0	Gallego ss	4	0	0	0
Stillwell ss	4	0	0	0	Lewis cf	3	0	1	0
Pecota 2b	3	0	0	0	Hassey ph	1	0	1	0
					Blnknshp pr	0	1	0	0
Totals	33	2	6	2	Totals	36	3	13	3

x-Awarded first base on catcher's interference

Two out when winning run scored

Kansas City	000 100 001-	2
Oakland	010 000 002-	3

E-Macfarlane. DP-Kansas City 2. LOB-Kansas City 6, Oakland 12. 2B-Brett. 3B-Eisenreich. HR-Tartabull (12). SB-Perry (15).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Gordon	8	10	1	1	3	6
Montgomery (L 5-3)	2-3	3	2	2	1	2
Oakland						
Moore (W 11-12)	9	6	2	2	2	4

WP-Gordon. T-2:51. A-34,924.

Umpires-Home, Cousins; 1b, Hickox; 2b, Johnson; 3b, Young.

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Phillips 3b	3	1	0	0	Reynolds 2b	5	1	1	0
Whitaker 2b	3	1	2	3	EMartinz 3b	5	2	3	2
Trammell ss	4	0	0	0	Griffey cf	3	1	1	2
Fielder 1b	2	0	0	0	Davis dh	3	0	0	0
Moseby dh	4	0	1	0	O'Brien lf	4	0	1	0
Sheets rf	3	0	1	0	CMartinz 1b	2	0	0	0
Lemon rf	1	0	0	0	Leonard lf	0	0	0	0
Ward lf	3	0	0	0	Buhner rf	4	0	2	0

Shelby cf	4	0	1	0	Valle c	3	0	0	0
Heath c	4	1	1	0	Bradley ph	0	0	0	0
					Cotto ph	1	0	0	0
					Sinatro c	0	0	0	0
					Vizquel ss	4	0	1	0
Totals	31	3	6	3	Totals	34	4	9	4

One out when winning run scored

Detroit	000 030 000- 3
Seattle	002 000 002- 4

LOB-Detroit 6, Seattle 9. 2B- Whitaker. HR-Griffey (18), Whitaker (15), EMartinez (11).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Morris	7	5	2	2	3	3
Gleaton	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Nunez	0	1	0	0	1	0
Gibson (L 3-4)	2-3	2	2	2	0	0
Seattle						
Holman	7 1-3	6	3	3	5	8
Comstock (W 6-3)	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	2

Balk-Gibson. T-2:40. A-12,201.

Umpires-Home, Brinkman; 1b, Cooney; 2b, Reed; 3b, Tschida.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - The Red Sox feel right at home with their recent road record as they move away from division rivals.

Mike Greenwell's two-run triple off Doug Jones highlighted a three-run Boston ninth that lifted the Red Sox to a 6-5 win over the Cleveland Indians.

The win, coupled with Toronto's 6-2 loss to Milwaukee Tuesday, increased the Red Sox lead to a season-high six games in the AL East.

The Indians had leads of 1-0, 3-1, and 4-3, but the Red Sox battled back each time to win on the road for the fifth straight game. Boston has wins of 2-0, 1-0, 1-0, and 12-4 in this streak in addition to Tuesday's win.

''It's the kind of game you need to come back to win,'' said Greenwell,

who had grounded into an inning-ending bases-loaded double play in the seventh.

''You better win the close games. That's what we've done on this trip. That way, they can't catch you.''

The Indians had taken a 4-3 lead in the eighth, but Jones, pitching for the first time in six days, walked Carlos Quintana and Wade Boggs to start the ninth.

Jones got Ellis Burks to pop out, but Greenwell drilled a 3-1 fastball to the gap in right center to score two runs, and Dwight Evans singled in Greenwell. Jones, 4-3, walked two batters in a row for the first time this year.

''I was trying to make him swing and hit the ball,'' Jones said of the pitch to Greenwell.

The Indians rallied in the ninth for a run. But after walking Candy Maldonado, Jerry Gray struck out Chris James and used a forkball to get Jacoby to ground into a force play to end the game and earn his seventh save. Wes Gardner, 3-6, got two outs in the eighth for the win.

''When they play like they're playing, they have confidence,'' James said. ''The type of team that they have, they don't give up. That's why they're in first place. They make every out count.''

Elsewhere in the American League: Milwaukee downed Toronto, 6-5; New York routed Baltimore, 11-3; Minnesota buried Chicago, 12-6; Seattle beat Detroit, 4-3; Oakland defeated Kansas City, 3-2; and California shut-out Texas 2-0.

In the National League, it was: Montreal 5, San Francisco 2; New York 4, San Diego 0; Los Angeles 5, Philadelphia 1; Atlanta 9, Pittsburgh 0; Cincinnati 2, St. Louis 1; Chicago 5, Houston 2.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Brewers 6, Blue Jays 2

At Toronto, Dave Parker homered twice and Jaime Navarro scattered eight hits to hand the Blue Jays their fifth straight loss. Navarro, 5-5, went the distance for the second straight game and struck out six. Dave Stieb, 16-5, gave up seven hits and four runs in seven innings.

Yankees 11, Orioles 3

At Baltimore, Jesse Barfield went 4-for-4 and drove in four runs and Randy

Velarde slugged a three-run home run, powering New York. Mike Witt, 3-6, pitched eight strong innings to help New York to its ninth win in its last 12 games. Jose Mesa, 0-1, lost in his first major-league appearance since Oct. 4, 1987.

Twins 12, White Sox 6

At Minneapolis, Kent Hrbek smashed a tie-breaking homer and collected four RBI and Greg Gagne drove home three runs to hand Chicago their fourth-striahgt loss. Reliever Tim Drummond, 2-4, pitched 2 2-3 innings of scoreless relief and Gary Wayne pitched the final three innings to record his first save.Adam Peterson, 2-5, took the loss.

Mariners 4, Tigers 3

At Seattle, Edgar Martinez' two-run homer with one out in the bottom of the ninth inning lifted the Mariners. Keith Comstock, 6-3, pitched the final 1 1-3 innings for the Mariners to pick up the victory. Detroit reliever Paul Gibson fell to 3-4.

Athletics 3, Royals 2

At Oakland, Calif., Terry Steinbach's bases-loaded single with two out in the ninth inning scored two runs to lift the Athletics. That gave the win to Mike Moore, 11-12, who pitched a six-hitter for his third complete game of the season. Reliever Jeff Montgomery fell to 5-3.

Angels 2, Rangers 0

At Anaheim, Calif., Kirk McCaskill fired a four-hitter to post his 10th career shutout, leading the Angels. McCaskill, 10-9, struck out three and walked none as the Angels won their fourth straight game. Nolan Ryan, 12-7 making his 700th career start, struck out 11 batters in the losing effort.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - Ryne Sandberg doesn't make much of his accomplishments. In fact, the Cubs second baseman is surprised more players can't boast of the same achievements.

After becoming the first second baseman in major league history to hit 30 home runs in consecutive seasons Tuesday night, Sandberg named another great who he believes should have preceded him.

''After last year, I didn't expect to hit 30 home runs again,'' Sandberg said. ''It's a nice accomplishment. You look at a man like Joe Morgan (second baseman on the '70's Big Red Machine in Cincinnati), who was an

MVP. I'm surprised he didn't do it.

Sandberg belted his historic solo homer, an 0-2 pitch from starter Bill Gullickson in the fourth inning, over the left field fence to lead Chicago to a 5-2 victory over the Houston Astros and tie Pittsburgh's Bobby Bonilla for most home runs in the NL.

Sandberg not only started his own list but joined another chronicling the select group of second baseman to hit 30 homers in one season. Rogers Hornsby (1922, 1925, 1929), Joe Gordon (1940, 1948) Davey Johnson (1973) and Bobby Grich (1979) are the others.

Greg Maddux, 12-11, scattered eight hits in posting his seventh complete game of the year. He walked three and struck out seven in recording his eighth win in his last ten decisions.

''My control is better now,'' Maddux said. ''I'm trying to make the most of this season. Anything can happen. I still have a lot of starts left.''

Gullickson, 8-12, allowed five hits and four runs in 5 1-3 innings.

After Gullickson allowed Dave Clark his sixth homer of the season to give the Cubs a 4-0 lead in the sixth, Gullickson hit Luis Salazar with the next pitch and was ejected by home plate umpire Jerry Layne.

''I don't know how he (Layne) can see inside my head and tell I'm throwing at someone,'' Gullickson said. ''You pitch inside and you're going to hit some people. I've never seen anyone ejected for hitting a batter with no warning at all.''

In other National League action, Montreal downed San Francisco 5-2, New York blanked San Diego 4-0, Los Angeles pounded Philadelphia 5-1, Atlanta routed Pittsburgh 9-0, and Cincinnati edged St. Louis 2-1.

In the American League it was: Boston 6, Cleveland 5; Milwaukee 6, Toronto 2; New York 11, Baltimore 3; Minnesota 12, Chicago 6; Seattle 4, Detroit 3; Oakland 3, Kansas City 2; and California 2, Texas 0.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Expos 5, Giants 2

At Montreal, Rookie Mark Gardner won his first game since July 12th and Spike Owen drove in two runs with a single and a double leading Montreal.Gardner, 7-7, who was 0-3 with four no-decisions in his last seven starts, struck out a career-high 11 batters. The right-hander worked six innings while allowing one run, three hits and two walks. San Francisco starter Scott Garrelts, 10-10, took the loss.

Mets 4, Padres 0

At New York, David Cone pitched a five-hitter, his third complete game in a row, and Tim Teufel belted a two-run homer pacing New York. Cone, 10-7, limited the Padres to one extra-base hits - a sixth-inning double by Roberto Alomar. He struck out five and walked one. San Diego starter Calvin Schiraldi, 4-6, gave up four runs and five hits over four innings, walking two and striking out one.

Dodgers 5, Phillies 1

At Philadelphia, Hubie Brooks homered and drove home three runs to give the Los Angeles Dodgers their third straight win. Jim Niedlinger, 3-1, gave up six hits and one run in seven innings to win his third straight decision. Jose DeJesus dropped to 4-5. Brooks' 17th home run of the season was the Dodgers' first hit off DeJesus, who retired the first 11 batters he faced.

Braves 9, Pirates 0

At Atlanta, Greg Olson homered and drove in four runs and Charlie Leibrandt combined with two relievers on a six-hit shutout sending Atlanta. The Pittsburgh loss, coupled with New York's 4-0 win over San Diego, dropped the Pirates lead in the NL East to two games. Leibrandt, 6-8, allowed five hits and struck out two over seven innings for the victory.

Reds 2, Cardinals 1

At Cincinnati, Jose Rijo combined with two relievers on an eight-hitter and drove home a run guiding Cincinnati. Rijo, 10-6, scattered six hits over five innings, striking out three and walking four as the Reds won their fourth straight game. St. Louis starter Joe Magrane, 8-15, gave up five hits over eight innings, striking out three and walking two.

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#90241u0375 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (AUG. 29) UPI - A presidential panel Wednesday cleared three U.S. agents in the killing of a Philippine army colonel and his two aides in an attempted drug arrest by police, officials said.

In a 118-page report released to President Corazon Aquino, the panel dismissed military claims the July 10 slayings were a ''cold-blooded rubout'' and that the $400,000 worth of heroin found in the colonel was planted.

The killing of Col. Rolando de Guzman, deputy chief of the Northern Luzon Command, high intelligence chief, Maj. Franco Calanog, and a constabulary agent has sparked restiveness in the deeply divided military and prompted Aquino to call the inquiry.

Francisco Villa, chief legal counsel of the three-member panel, said there was ''ample evidence'' to support the claim by the National Bureau of Investigation that de Guzman and Calanog were drug dealers.

''It was a drug buy-bust operation but the killings were not justified,'' said Villa.

Villa said after an 11-day hearing in which 44 witnesses were called the panel headed by Aquino's legal adviser Magdangal Elma recommended the indictment of four policemen in the slayings.

He said there was no evidence implicating three agents of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration - Phil Needham, Jake Fernandez and Andrew Fenrich - in the killings.

Needham, the Bangkok-based DEA agent, posed as a buyer of the 22 pounds of heroin.

Fenrich, head of the U.S. embassy's DEA office in Manila, and Fernandez monitored meetings arranged by a female broker that led to the sting operation at a parking lot in the capital's financial district where de Guzman was killed.

The three Americans left the country after the operation, which U.S. embassy spokesmen said was carried out with the approval of the Philippine government.

The NBI earlier said the killing of de Guzman and Calanog was prompted by a shootout. Villa said there was no shootout but the killings were done ''individually ... there was no conspiracy.''

The military filed murder charges against 10 policemen assigned with the NBI, three NBI officials and the three Americans while the panel was conducting its inquiry.

The NBI is headed by retired Manila police chief Brig. Gen. Alfredo Lim, who helped Aquino crush six coup attempts in her four years as president.

Villa said the slayings had angered military officials who felt the NBI was ''smearing'' the 159,000-member armed forces.

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#90241u0411 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

Deadly thunderstorms that spawned tornadoes in Illinois raked the Midwest Wednesday, producing golf ball-sized hail, heavy rains, high winds and at least one funnel cloud while the South baked under an August heat wave.

Thunderstorms struck Illinois, Iowa, Missouri and Kentucky threatening to flood small streams and brightening the sky with flashes of lightning.

Storms, including one with a high potential for tornado formation, hit eastern Iowa, where thunderstorm warnings were posted for several cities and large hail was reported.

In Illinois, where a series of tornadoes destroyed buildings, killed at least 23 people and injured more than 300 people Tuesday, severe thunderstorms continued into the morning but eased around sunrise.

Rescuers searched for victims of the twisters in Plainfield, about 35 miles southwest of Chicago, as Gov. James R. Thompson prepared to visit the area Wednesday to survey the damage.

A tornado warning was issued in Illinois for De Witt and Macon counties near Decatur and spotters southwest of Clinton reported seeing a funnel cloud about 2:30 a.m., the National Weather Service said.

To the east, a thunderstorm dumped golf ball-sized hail on the town of Collom in Livingston County while a severe storm hit Ford County.

Record temperatures were recorded throughout the South as a late-summer heat wave held the region in its grip. Nashville, Tenn., recorded 103 degrees Tuesday, breaking an 54-year-old record and Pinson, Ala., recorded the same high to break the record of 98 degrees set in 1954.

Muscle Shoals, Ala., also had 103 with three Mississippi cities, Tupelo, Columbus and Greenwood, recording 102. Huntsville, Ala., had a record 101, as did Columbus, Ga.

High clouds from the remains of dissipating Hurricane Kenna drifted across much of northern and north-central California while scattered afternoon clouds associated with the recent showers continued over the northwest corner of the state. The high clouds from Kenna will continue sporadically over the next couple of days until the hurricane runs out of moisture.

In the Northwest, only thin upper-level clouds could be found over Washington Tuesday, allowing sunshine and warming temperatures including an 83 in Seattle and an 88 in Hanford in eastern Washington.

High pressure blocked most of the moisture from a disturbance off the Oregon coast. But a vigorous frontal system entering the Gulf of Alaska

was expected to move south, bringing clouds and possibly showers by late Wednesday.

To the east, a severe thunderstorm and special marine warning went up for coastal counties in New Jersey and New York as a line of storms with high winds and lightning stretched along the Atlantic coast.

Boaters were warned to look for safe harbor as the storms hit the region.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

Tornadoes struck in northeastern Illinois yesterday killing at least 23 people. Three bodies were pulled from the wreckage of a church in Plainfield, Illinois, and three people died at Plainfield High School. 10 people were killed in an apartment complex in the outskirts of Joliet.

The countdown is under way for Saturday's launch of the repaired shuttle Columbia. It will be the first shuttle trip in four months. The seven-member crew is to spend at least nine days in orbit studying high-energy light that can NOT get through the Earth's atmosphere.

The Air Force says 10 people were killed today when a C-5 transport plane crashed after taking off from Ramstein Air Force Base in West Germany. Five others were injured. The plane was in Europe taking part in activities connected with the U-S operation in the Middle East.

Iraq says foreign women and children are free to leave the country. The official Iraqi News Agency says they can depart as of today or stay if they wish. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein also challenged President Bush and British Prime Minister Thatcher to direct talks or a debate on the crisis. The offer was rejected.

A former chairman of England's Guinness brewery has been ordered imprisoned for five years for his part in a stock scheme. Ernest Saunders and three other people were convicted of illegally boosting Guinness stock prices. The first tip about the Guinness scheme came from Ivan Boesky, a convicted Wall Street inside trader.

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#90241u0428 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 29) UPI - More than three-thousand Canadian troops are ready for a confrontation with Mohawk Indians barricaded inside two reserves south of Montreal. Prime Minister Brian Mulhoney has appealed to the Indians to put

down their arms. Mohawk negotiators say they hope to work a peace settlement with the government.

Several University of Florida students have left the Gainesville school following the killings of five people. Others are frightened. One student says he and a roommate armed themselves with an ax and baseball bat when a carpet cleaner came to their apartment. Police believe one or two people killed all five victims.

The two largest postal unions and the U-S Postal Service opened talks on a contract yesterday. The present contract expires November 20th. The postal service is trying to automate mail delivery, which has always been labor intensive. 13-BILLION dollars is budgeted for new technology in the next five years.

Utah investigators say a wildfire that has killed two firefighters started at an abandoned campfire. NO suspects have been identified. The wildfire gutted 18 homes near Midway, Utah, and scorched nearly five square miles. 300 homes were evacuated. Roads to the area are being re-opened today.

The Exxon Valdez, re-named the Exxon Mediterranean, returns to sea duty today. The Exxon Valdez was the tanker that spilled 11-Million gallons of oil off Alaska, in the worst U-S oil spill. It has been rebuilt in San Diego. If it passes sea trials, the super-tanker will go into service in the Mediterranean next month.

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#90241u0550 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (AUG. 29) UPI - Clarion Co., a Japanese manufacturer of car audio equipment, said Wednesday its wholly owned U.S. subsidiary has signed an agreement to purchase McIntosh Laboratories Inc. for an undisclosed price.

''The contract was signed between the two firms Monday, but the value of the deal will not be disclosed under an agreement between us,'' said a Clarion spokesman.

Clarion said its U.S. subsidiary, Clarion Shoji Co. U.S.A., will take over the management of McIntosh, which has 246 employees.

Clarion indicated it would use the McIntosh brand name to market its products in the United States. McIntosh products have long been popular with audiophiles.

McIntosh had sales of $16.834 million in 1989 and $14.899 million in 1988, Clarion said.

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#90241u0637 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

OKLAHOMA CITY (AUG. 29) UPI - Rep. Wes Watkins, who gave up his seat in Congress to run for governor, pushed to the front of a five-man field Wednesday in late Democratic primary election returns.

Watkins will meet Oklahoma City businessman David Walters in a Sept. 18 runoff.

Watkins trailed both Walters and Oklahoma House Speaker Steve Lewis in unofficial tallies much of Tuesday night, but forged past Lewis early Wednesday and eventually took over the top spot.

In the Republican race, businessman Vince Orza, making his first bid for political office, headed into a runoff against former U.S. Attorney Bill Price.

In other races, Sen. David Boren easily won the Democratic nomination without a runoff and Rep. Mike Synar appeared to have the Democratic victory wrapped up the 2nd District. Kurt Glassco was the apparent Democratic winner to oppose Republican Rep. James M. Inhofe, who had no opponent in the primary.

State Rep. Bill Brewster defeated Lt. Gov. Robert S. Kerr III and two other Democrats to win nomination without a runoff for the 3rd District House seat being vacated by Watkins. Patrick Miller won the Republican nomination.

Watkins said Wednesday he considers the economy to be the chief issue for the runoff campaign.

''We've got to build new jobs and an economic future for Oklahoma,'' Watkins said.

Walters said the most important task for the next governor is ''re-establishing some trust'' for state government.

Orza said he thinks the people are ready for a fresh face in politics and added, ''We will find out if I am the right fresh face.''

Boren in a victory statement Tuesday night, said, ''I finally got to come home after the Iraqi situation cooled off just a little. We were able to make 35 counties and I think that's the way it ought to be. It gave me a great chance to talk to the people or listen to their advice. And after all, I think my job is taking Oklahoma thinking to Washington. So I thorougly enjoyed it and of course we are having a great night tonight.''

#90241u0653 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - The government's Index of Leading Economic Indicators was unchanged in July after rising by a revised 0.1 percent in June and gaining a revised 0.6 percent in May, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

The comprehensive index, compiled by the department's Bureau of Economic Analysis, tracks 11 segments of the economy in an effort to predict future business activity in the United States.

''A month ago, the bureau reported estimates that showed the index was unchanged in June and increased 0.7 percent in May,'' the government said. ''Average workweek was the major contributor to the June and May revisions.''

The Commerce Department said that of the 11 components, three were up, seven were down and a single category - manufacturers nUw orders, consumer goods and materials industies, adjusted for inflation - was unchanged.

July's positive contributors included contracts and orders for plant and equipment, change in sensitive materials prices and the index of consumer expectations, the department said.

Among the negative contributors last month:

-Vendor performance, which tracks delivery time.

-Money supply, adjusted for inflation.

-Change in manufacturers' unfilled orders, adjusted for inflation.

-Average workweek.

-Building permits.

-Average weekly initial claims for state unemployment insurance.

-Stock prices.

The index, which stood at 146.1 in July, has been up by 0.6 percent for the last six months and up by 1.4 percent for the last 12 months, a government spokesman said.

The composite index of coincident indicators, a monthly approximation of aggregate economic activity, fell by 0.2 percent in July after increasing by 0.2 percent and 0.5 percent in June and May.

The composite index of lagging indicators, meanwhile, increased 0.6 percent last month after declining by 0.4 percent and 0.2 percent in June and May, the Commerce Department said.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - In a move to stabilize world markets, OPEC ministers meeting in Vienna today agreed to temporarily raise production levels. The accord will probably cause a further drop in world oil prices, which had jumped by more than one-third since the Gulf crisis began with the August 2nd Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Final approval of the agreement came today following Iran's initial refusal to accept the proposal.

President Bush will deliver a radio address to U-S troops stationed in the Persian Gulf this morning. Bush yesterday warned Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that Baghdad would pay a ''stiff price'' if it did NOT withdraw from Kuwait. Speaking to congressional, military and foreign affairs leaders in Washington, Bush also reaffirmed his committment to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis peacefully.

Devastating tornadoes ripped through northeastern Illinois yesterday, killing 23 people and injuring more than 300 others. In Plainfield, the local high school principal said a ''miraculous'' move by coaches saved 150 student athletes who were in the building at the time the tornadoes hit. The coaches moved the students to an underground gym moments before tornado destroyed the room where they were practicing.

U-S Air Force officials say at least 12 American soldiers died today when a C-5 transport plane crashed shortly after take off in West Germany. The plane went down a-quarter mile from the runway at Ramstein military base. The transport was en route to another base in Frankfurt before it was due to deliver supplies to American troops stationed in the Persian Gulf.

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#90241u0687 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (AUG. 29) UPI - China confirmed Wednesday that it has closed its Kuwait Embassy, but denied the weekend evacuation was a capitulation to the demands of conquering Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Chinese sources linked the unannounced evacuation to Beijing's worries over the status of several thousand Chinese workers in Iraq, who have been barred from joining an airlift of fellow citizens stranded in Kuwait back to China.

''The Chinese Embassy personnel in Kuwait have been evacuated and returned home,'' the Foreign Ministry said. ''Because of the present situation, Chinese Embassy personnel in Kuwait could no longer live and work there.''

The ministry stressed that China maintained its policy of opposition to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of its tiny oil-rich neighbor and had not acted in response to Saddam's demand that all missions be closed in recognition of Iraq's conquest of Kuwait.

''This does not mean that there has been any changes in the position of the Chinese government,'' the statement said.

China publicly denounced the invasion and said it was suspending its lucrative sales of weapons to Baghdad, winning praise from Western nations in the forefront of the U.N.-led economic embargo of Iraq.

Beijing maintains its ties to the exiled Kuwaiti government and last week issued a statement asserting its right to operate its Kuwait Embassy, aligning itself with the United States, Britain and other Western nations vowing to keep their Kuwait missions open.

China nevertheless closed its embassy during the weekend, quietly moving its diplomatic and support staff and apparently two Chinese journalists overland to Baghdad, according to Iraqi diplomats and Chinese sources in Beijing.

The closing was the first crack in China's policy of alignment with Western efforts to isolate Baghdad, and sources linked the change in part to problems evacuating Chinese from Iraq.

China completed its evacuation of 4,737 Chinese nationals who had been working or studying in Kuwait, saying a final flight carrying 187 people arrived in Beijing Wednesday, the official Xinhua news agency reported.

But sources said several thousand of the 5,000 Chinese who were working in Iraq at the time of the invasion have been prevented from traveling to Jordan or the United Arab Emirates to join the airlift to China.

Some of the stranded Chinese workers are believed to be working in Iraq under military contracts, providing training and technical expertise to Iraqi soldiers who use the Chinese weaponry.

Several Chinese sources have said Beijing is carefully trying to avoid

angering Saddam, apparently fearing antagonism could threaten those workers still stuck in Iraq and undermine China's cherished image as a leader in the Third World.

Although it was done more quietly, the Chinese pullout closely echoed that of the Soviet Union, which evacuated its embassy workers last week but claimed its empty mission technically was still open.

Moscow and Beijing both say they support the embargo of Iraq and voted in favor of a U.N. Security Council resolution authorizing military enforcement of the embargo.

But the Kremlin has said it would not help enforce the embargo, and Beijing has not mobilized any enforcement effort, instead repeating its opposition to ''military involvement by the big powers.''

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#90241u0695 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 29) UPI - Police in Gainesville, Florida, say they believe one or two killers are responsible for the slayings of five young people during the past several days. The latest victims, a young man and woman, were found yesterday in an apartment near the University of Florida campus. All five victims lived within two miles of the university, prompting frightened students to leave campus or hold protective slumber parties.

The countdown began this morning toward NASA's first shuttle launch in four months. The shuttle Columbia is scheduled to blast off from Cape Canaveral early Saturday morning on a long-awaited astronomy mission. The seven-man crew will spend at least nine days in orbit studying powerful ultra-violet rays from stars and galaxies that canNOT penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

Philippine officials say a presidential panel has cleared three U-S drug agents in the killing of a Philippine army colonel and his two aides. The panel's chief legal counsel said ''it was a drug buy-bust operation, but the killings were NOT justified.'' He added there was NO indication the three U-S Drug Enforcement Administration agents were involved in the slayings.

Researchers at the University of Rhode Island says they discovered a new mammal species- a tiny pouch-less marsupial native to a remote Brazilian rain forest. The researchers found the species earlier this month and named it the ''pygmy mouse-opposum.'' The animal has a gray body, white belly and black circles around its large black eyes. It stands less than three inches tall, has an eight-inch tail and ears half the size of its body.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

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Atlanta f	98	74	....
Baltimore pc	91	67	....
Billings sy	94	62	....
Birmingham sy	101	72	....
Bismarck sy	89	53	....
Boston pc	90	66	....
Brownsville pc	93	76	1.03
Buffalo pc	76	56	.01
Burlington Vt. pc	77	52	.81
Charleston S.C.sy	100	76	....
Charlotte sy	95	72	....
Chicago sy	84	62	.03
Cincinnati ts	87	66	1.55
Cleveland pc	80	61	....
Columbus Ohio pc	85	63	.08
Dallas sy	103	76	....
Denver pc	93	60	....
Des Moines sy	87	64	....
Detroit pc	82	60	.14
Duluth sy	76	55	....
El Paso sy	96	66	....
Evansville ts	90	67	....
Fargo sy	86	57	....
Hartford pc	87	57	.21
Honolulu sy	90	75	....
Houston pc	96	75	....
Indianapolis ts	86	62	1.08
Jackson Miss. sy	100	75	.46
Jacksonville sy	97	74	....
Kansas City pc	93	66	....
Las Vegas sy	105	76	....
Little Rock sy	102	75	....
Los Angeles f	90	66	....
Louisville ts	90	69	.19
Memphis pc	98	74	....
Miami Beach ts	91	75	.03
Milwaukee sy	83	60	....
Minneapolis sy	83	60	....
Nashville pc	97	70	....

New Orleans pc	96	75	....
New York pc	88	67	.60
Oklahoma City f	100	73	....
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Orlando sy	94	75	....
Philadelphia pc	90	68	....
Phoenix f	108	85	....
Pittsburgh cy	82	60	....
Portland Me. cy	82	56	....
Portland Ore. cy	78	59	....
Providence pc	89	64	....
Richmond pc	95	70	....
St. Louis pc	92	69	....
Salt Lake City sy	94	64	....
San Antonio pc	99	75	....
San Diego f	82	65	....
San Francisco pc	73	59	....
San Juan pc	90	76	.22
Seattle pc	76	56	....
Spokane pc	83	56	....
Tampa sy	92	76	.04
Washington pc	93	71	....
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cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - Sales of new single-family homes dropped 2.3 percent in July after jumping a revised 4.7 percent in June and inching up a revised 0.6 percent in May, the government reported Wednesday.

Analysts expected a better showing than July's figure of 548,000 new home

sales, which was calculated at an annual rate and adjusted for critical seasonal factors.

The data, compiled by the Commerce Department and the Housing and Urban Development Department, also showed there was a 7.8-month supply of new homes on the market at the end of July.

The estimated annual rate of 349,000 homes remaining on the market last month represented the lowest level since July 1986, a government spokesman said, indicating that overbuilt markets may be bottoming out.

At the end of June, there was a 7.7-month supply of unsold dwellings, down sharply from an 8.2-month supply at the end of May, the report said.

The nationwide median price of a new single-family home, meanwhile, stood at $121,000 in July, down from $127,000 in June and lower than $125,000 in May, the government said.

In July 1989, the median price of a new home was $116,000.

''Through July of this year, there were 352,000 new houses sold compared with 402,000 for the same period last year,'' the report said. ''This is a decrease of 12 percent.''

By region, July sales of new single-family homes:

-Plunged 10.1 percent in the Northeast after advancing 25.4 percent in June;

-Gained 2.1 percent in the Midwest after rising 1 percent in June;

-Held steady in the South after leaping 10.2 percent in June;

-Dropped 4.9 percent in the West after losing 9.6 percent in June.

''New home prices are at a major disadvantage in the current housing market,'' according to a market letter by Mitsubishi Bank in New York. ''With generally softer markets for selling houses and a high hurdle for first-time buyers to get the downpayment, housing affordability is the watchword.''

''New home prices are about 30 percent higher than existing home prices, which puts the new segment of the market at a cost disadvantage,'' the bank letter said.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - Sales of new single-family homes dropped 2.3 percent in July after jumping a revised 4.7 percent in June and inching up a revised 0.6 percent in May, the government reported Wednesday.

Analysts expected a better showing than July's figure of 548,000 new home sales, which was calculated at an annual rate and adjusted for critical seasonal factors.

The data, compiled by the Commerce Department and the Housing and Urban Development Department, also showed there was a 7.8-month supply of new homes on the market at the end of July.

The estimated annual rate of 349,000 homes remaining on the market last month represented the lowest level since July 1986, a government spokesman said, indicating that overbuilt markets may be bottoming out.

At the end of June, there was a 7.7-month supply of unsold dwellings, down sharply from an 8.2-month supply at the end of May, the report said.

The nationwide median price of a new single-family home, meanwhile, stood at $121,000 in July, down from $127,000 in June and lower than $125,000 in May, the government said.

In July 1989, the median price of a new homd 1/2as $116,000.

''Through July of this year, there were 352,000 new houses sold compared with 402,000 for the same period last year,'' the report said. ''This is a decrease of 12 percent.''

By region, July sales of new single-family homes:

-Plunged 10.1 percent in the Northeast after advancing 25.4 percent in June;

-Gained 2.1 percent in the Midwest after rising 1 percent in June;

-Held steady in the South after leaping 10.2 percent in June;

-Dropped 4.9 percent in the West after losing 9.6 percent in June.

''New home prices are at a major disadvantage in the current housing market,'' according to a market letter by Mitsubishi Bank in New York. ''With generally softer markets for selling houses and a high hurdle for first-time buyers to get the downpayment, housing affordability is the watchword.''

''New home prices are about 30 percent higher than existing home prices, which puts the new segment of the market at a cost disadvantage,'' the

bank letter said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for August 28: Purchases of 451,527 shares and sales of 473,059 shares including 68,279 shares sold short.

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#90241u0749 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - President Bush Wednesday told American troops in the Middle East and around the world that the U.S. military ''is a once reluctant fist now clenched resolutely'' against Iraq's aggression in the Persian Gulf.

In a broadcast over the Armed Forces Radio, the president said, ''Today in the tradition of two centuries behind you, you stand on the front line against aggression and international lawlessless.''

''We've never sought conflict, nor do we hope to chart a course for other nations, but at the hands of injustice, in the face of aggression, ours is a once reluctant fist now clenched resolutely,'' he said.

The president spoke to the troops from the Oval Office a day after he had rallied overwhelming support from Republican and Democratic congressional leaders for his policy of repelling Iraq's Aug. 2 takeover of Kuwait.

''To preserve the peace, America will always stand for what is right,'' Bush said. ''To preserve her commitments, America will always stand by her friends.

''Together with allies old and new we've seen a nearly unanimous condemnation of Iraq's injustices in the Persian Gulf region and we've been a part of a remarkable international commitment to peace and the rule of law.'' he added.

The president, who broke off his Kennebunkport, Maine, vacation for a few days to deal with the Persian Gulf crisis at the White House, said in his broadcast to the thousands of soldiers, sailors and Marines sent overseas:

''You're now in one of the toughest military missions in modern history, enduring the long, hot days of the gulf region's cruelest month.''

However, he added, ''As tough as it is, thanks to you, nobody is feeling the heat more than the government in Baghdad.''

''To the sailors who have kissed their wives or husbands goodbye for now, to the soldiers and Marines protecting peace in the desert heat, to the fliers in the air, to the reservists committed and ready, to the men behind the guns: Stand strong,'' he said. ''Our troops around the world are providing the kind of strength and security that makes this mission possible. And with the support of friends and family and the admiration of this great nation, you're proving you'll do what it takes at any hour, anywhere, to contain aggression and keep freedom's light alive.''

''We have an important advantage in the Persian Gulf because in the air, at sea and on land, soldiers of peace will always be more than a match for a tyrant bent on aggression,'' Bush declared. ''With your strength, we have the will. Together with our allies, we will find the way to peace. May God bless you and bring you home safely and soon.''

Bush told congressional leaders and 150 members of key military and foreign affairs committees Tuesday that ''the basic elements of our strategy are now in place'' that ''our intention and indeed the intention of almost every country in the world is to persuade Iraq to withdraw'' from Kuwait.

The president said Iraq must be convinced that ''it cannot benefit from this illegal occupation, that it will pay a stiff price for trying to hold on and even a stiffer price for widening the conflict.''

''We seek,'' Bush added, ''to achieve these goals without further violence.''

Vice President Dan Quayle and Secretary of State James Baker, as well as an array of other of top ranking officials, broke off their vacations to be on hand for the Middle East policy review.

The meeting was prompted by congressional complaints that there had not been enough communication with the White House during the Middle East crisis.

The president addressed Capitol Hill grievances and foreign critics, sending a message to those who believe that any protracted conclusion in the Middle East will disolve world opinion against Iraq.

''Let no one at home doubt my commitment to work with the Congress and let no one abroad doubt our national unity or our staying power,'' Bush told the lawmakers.

''Meeting the crisis in the Persian Gulf is not something that I or this administration can do by ourselves,'' Bush declared. ''We can only succeed if all of us - executive and legislative, Republican and Democrat - work

together.''

Judging from the reaction to the hourlong meeting, Bush succeeded in winning strong backing from the Republican and Democratic leaders.

''I think what was evident today,'' said House Speaker Tom Foley, D-Wash., ''is there is very strong support for the president's actions, actions of the administration in meeting this crisis in the gulf.''

''The president was personally commended by Democrats and Republicans, senators and House members across the board, for his own particular efforts in bringing together an international effort to isolate Saddam Hussein,'' Foley told reporters.

Added Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell, D-Maine: ''Insofar as Saddam Hussein and the government of Iraq are concerned, they should be aware that the American Congress stands squarely behind President Bush in the policy which calls upon Iraq to unconditionally and immediately withdraw from Kuwait.''

Despite their approval of U.S. reaction to the gulf crisis, congressional leaders said Bush did not have a ''blank check'' for spending.

''The answer is, of course, 'no,''' Mitchell said. ''Approval of past action is not approval of all future action without knowing what that action will be.''

Rep. William Gray, D-Pa., predicted Bush would have continued popular backing ''provided we do not get into a protracted struggle where the goals are not clear and where there is a loss of life and (there) does not seem to be an opportunity for victory.''

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#90241u0755 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (AUG. 29) UPI - Japan will contribute medical personnel and civilian aircraft to the multinational force confronting Iraq, Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu announced Wednesday night.

Tokyo also will offer financial aid for affected countries in the region and refugees fleeing Iraq and Kuwait, he said.

Japan's contributions, while minimal compared with those of U.S. allies such as Britain, represent the nation's first overseas commitment of personnel into an armed confict.

Meanwhile, the last two Japanese diplomats in Kuwait left their embassy Wednesday and flew to Baghdad, the Foreign Ministry said. Living

conditions had become unbearable since Iraq cut off their electricity and water on Friday, the ministry said. The embassy remains officially open, despite having no staff, a ministry official said.

Kaifu, condemning Iraq for violating international law and U.N. Middle East resolutions, called on the nation to support ''utmost efforts to restore peace and stability in the region.''

''Japan cannot be isolated from international society,'' Kaifu said at a televised news conference.

His remark apparently was aimed at Japanese who feel their country is being badgered by the United States into a commitment against its own interests. The decision followed weeks of wrangling within the government and represented a fragile compromise, analysts said.

In response to a question about U.S. demands for help, Kaifu said the measures he was announcing were formulated with independent judgment, based on Japanese law and ability to contribute.

Kaifu admitted details of the plan still had to be worked out and said laws might have to be changed to facilitate further steps.

No sums for the financial aid were offered, except a figure of about $10 million for refugee aid. Additional aid will be offered to Egypt, Turkey and Jordan, government sources said.

The government will charter at least two 747 cargo flights a week and one or two freighters to ferry non-military supplies and personnel into and around the Persian Gulf, the sources said.

Up to 100 Japanese doctors and medical aides will be sent to the Middle East to treat refugees and, if need be, soldiers, the government said.

The flights will not start for at least a week, and the shipping could take considerably longer, local reports said.

Japan Airlines and All Nippon Airways have each agreed to lease one flight a week to the gulf, but they laid down stringent conditions.

Among these were that the government give ''maximum consideration to Japanese nationals held in Iraq, including 23 JAL staff and their families '' said Japan Airlines spokesman Geoffrey Tudor.

The government had earlier said the hostage issue would be treated separately from the question of contributions.

The airlines also made it clear they would carry no munitions or soldiers,

and they asked the government to guarantee their safety.

The Foreign Ministry termed it an unprecedented effort. But some Western observers privat3/4ly expressed frustration that it had taken Japan so long to come up with so littl.

''It will certainly be seen as a half-way measure - too little, too late '' said Professor Gregory Clark of Sophia University in Tokyo. Japan would have done better to stake out an independent position, he said.

The United States had been asking ''for a substantial and visible contribution consistent with Japan's stature and economic power, as well as Japan's interests in the region,'' said a U.S. Embassy spokesman, on condition of anonymity.

Legal restrictions and political opposition ruled out a more active role for Japan, analysts said.

Japan's Constitution, drafted by the United States following World War II, bars the nation from using force to settle international disputes. A 1987 law apparently limits the dispatch of relief workers to natural disasters only.

Beyond legalities, Kaifu's efforts to reach the consensus required by Japanese politics ran into opposition among politicians and bureaucrats, according to analysts.

Some Japanese opinion leaders called publicly for defiance of the U.S. request for help.

''Japan rhculd make its own peace initiative in the region, without following the U.S. line,'' Shinichi Koyama, director of the Middle East Economic Research Institute in Tokyo, said Wednesday.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $383.70, silver base of $4.82 and platinum price of $482.00:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$398.50	408.00
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	204.40	209.30
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.00	107.50
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.40	44.40

Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	398.50	408.00
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	204.40	209.30
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.50	108.00
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.40	44.40
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	405.90	414.60
China Panda .50 troy oz.	209.10	213.60
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.50	110.80
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.80	47.80
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.00	28.60
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	399.60	407.70
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	204.20	208.40
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.20	105.20
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.40	45.30
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	398.10	406.30
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	206.10	210.20
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.80	107.90
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	45.80
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	398.90	405.80
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	205.10	208.60
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.00	88.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.60	46.30
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.20	23.00

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver

U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.22	$6.27
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,480	$3,520
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,500	$1,500

Platinum

Australian Koala	504.00	508.00
Isle of Man Noble	492.00	497.00
Canada Maple Leaf	509.00	514.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90241u0768 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 29) UPI - The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries has approved increased oil production to make up for the shortage caused by the Gulf crisis. Oil prices should fall. NO quotas are set. OPEC nations can increase output at will.

A U-S military spokesman says at least 12 soldiers died today when an Air Force C-5 transport plane carrying supplies to the Middle East crashed in West Germany. Another person is missing. Five others were injured.

More than 100 police officers are in Gainesville, Florida, trying to track down a killer of five young people. The F-B-I has sent specialists in multiple murders. The bodies were found in apartments near the University of Florida.

Tornadoes killed 24 people in northeast Illinois yesterday. Coaches sensing an approaching twister moved 150 high school athletes underground moments before their practice room was destroyed.

The South is suffering through a late-summer heat wave. Places in Mississippi, Alabama, and Tennessee had temperatures above 100 degrees yesterday.

Hurricane Gustav has weakened from 105-to-85 miles an hour. Forecasters say the hurricane poses virtually NO threat to northeastern Caribbean islands., Gustav was 465 miles northeast of Antigua.

A minor earthquake struck a mountainous area of southern California last night. It was centered near the town of Julian, 42 miles northeast of San Diego. NO damage was reported.

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#90241u0791 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
GENEVA (AUG. 29) UPI - Representatives of the world's major airlines Wednesday opened a three-day meeting to discuss fare increases in light of the Persian Gulf crisis and consequent rise in fuel costs.

The conference is expected to result in approval of at least a 5 percent fare hike worldwide by Oct. 1.

Gunter Eser, director-general of the International Air Transport Association which called the meeting, told a news conference before the session he ''would not be surprised'' if a 5 percent hike in worldwide fares was the result.

He said, however, that participating airlines might settle for a lower figure. Such a rise could take effect as of Oct. 1 once governments have approved it, he said.

Eser said he could not predict exactly where a fare hike would be fixed, although he noted U.S. domestic carriers have already increased their fares by 5.3 percent.

U.S. airlines are deregulated and require no government approval to increase or cut fares.

Fifty-eight of IATA's 200 member airlines, are represented at the meeting scheduled to last through Friday. IATA spokesman John Brindley said the carriers represent ''pretty much the top level'' of the world's airlines

Eser said the meeting had been called at the request of the airlines.

''They are concerned that fuel, which is already in the neighborhood of 15-20 percent of their overall costs, is rising sharply as a result of the gulf crisis,'' he said. ''Spot prices for fuel in the Rotterdam (Holland) market are already 50-60 percent higher than last year.''

Another major factor worrying the airlines as a result of the Mideast crisis is insurance, where rates have also increased dramatically since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

A single trip by an jumbo jet, for example, is now costing a premium of around $25,000, he said.

A rise in cargo rates will also be discussed at the meeting, Eser said, but he declined to predict what this might be.

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#90241u0802 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 29) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Continental Medcl Sys (4th Q 6-30)	
$59,354,000	$47,945,000
$2,965,000 (.20)	d-$3,683,000
d-Deficit.	
Furon Co (2nd Q 8-4)	
$84,384,000	$84,110,000

$2,273,000 (.31) $1,743,000 (.26)

Powell Industries (3rd Q 7-31)
$31,847,000 $23,270,000
$2,141,000 (.21) $213,000 (.02)

QVC Network Inc (2nd Q 7-31)
$158,824,000 $54,919,000
d-$4,497,000 $813,000 (.05)
d-Deficit.

US Shoe Corp (2nd Q 8-4)
$671,442,000 $583,247,000
$1,855,000 (.04) $2,613,000 (.06)

Westvaco Corp (3rd Q 7-31)
$596,065,000 $573,131,000
$47,516,000 (.73) $55,507,000 (.86)

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#90241u0805 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
BEIJING (AUG. 29) UPI - China hopes to curb illegal trafficking in videotapes by licensing satellite reception of foreign television broadcasts - even though virtually all the programs are pirated.

There are more than 16,000 satellite dishes in China capable of receiving international television transmissions, the semi-official China News Service reported Wednesday.

Some units with such dishes have been abusing their television- viewing privileges by taping and illegally selling foreign broadcasts, one unidentified state broadcasting ministry official was quoted as saying.

Most foreign news broadcasts and entertainment programs featuring sex or violence do not meet the puritanical standards of the communist government's propaganda organs.

In order to curb such ''negative influences,'' any unit with satellite television reception is required by the end of the year to apply for a license to view foreign programs, the official said.

''Those who do not obtain a license, privately install (satellite reception) and illegally record and distribute foreign broadcasts will be stopped and punished by the public security and state safety departments '' the report said.

The broadcast ministry did not specify how the new regulations were to be

enforced but said permission to receive foreign television programming would be granted ''according to the applicant's actual needs.''

Ironically, the plan aims to license reception of broadcasts that no one in China is authorized to receive.

Most of the satellite transmissions are not electronically scrambled and can be tuned in easily with widely available equipment without paying the broadcasters - a practice known as pirating.

Embassies, hotels and residence compounds for foreigners are among the facilities in China that openly pirate programs from the U.S. broadcasters Cable News Network, Capital Cities-ABC and CBS, and other Western networks.

China has no formal agreements with CNN, ABC or CBS to pay for such unscrambnled satellite feeds.

Yet despite the regulatory gap, the Beijing Diplomatic Services Bureau for resident foreigners offers access to the American networks from its own satellite dish for a monthly fee.

Even Chinese government and Communist Party units are known to receive the unscrambled satellite signals, according to a Western source who requested anonymity.

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#90241u0840 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 29) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev and Boris Yeltsin, the two most powerful men in the Soviet Union, held a five-hour summit meeting Wednesday to try to bury their differences and chart a common course for the future.

Newly appointed presidential spokesman Vitaly Ignatenko, briefing reporters Wednesday afternoon during the meeting, had few details of the talks but said they were held in a ''constructive, friendly atmosphere.''

He said there were 50 items on the agenda, including the relationship between the central government and the country's 15 republics and plans to move from central planning to a market economy.

Gorbachev, president of the Soviet Union, and Yeltsin, effective president of the dominant Russian republic as chairman of its Parliament, have feuded frequently since Yeltsin was kicked out of his Communist Party posts for criticizing the pace of reforms in 1987.

Yeltsin rode popular support to a comeback that culminated in his parliamentary election to Russia's top post in May. Under its new leader,

the huge republic has declared its sovereignty within the Soviet Union and demanded control over its own affairs.

Just last week the dispute between Russia and the central government came to a head when Gorbachev issued a decree annulling an effort by Russia to control the gold, oil, diamonds and other valuable natural resourses on its territory.

Yeltsin called the Gorbachev decree ''another mistake'' and said the Russian Parliament would soon implement legislation to void the decree.

Yeltsin also was critical of efforts earlier this year by the central government to move to a ''regulated market economy,'' and he proposed his own more radical 500-day plan for the transition to a market.

On Aug. 1, Gorbachev acknowledged the need to work with Yeltsin and set up a joint commission on economic matters.

''Today our leadership is expressing only one wish - to stabilize the situation, to protect the new economic policy,'' Ignatenko said. ''The coming few months will be decisive in many ways.''

Ignatenko said a special joint meeting of Gorbachev's two top advisory bodies - the Presidential Council and Council of the Federation - would be held Thursday to discuss ''economic policy, the state of the union, stabilizing the internal situation and a delicate transition to a market economy, without any major disruptions, which would be acceptable to society.''

The debate on the future of the Soviet economy heated up Wednesday when Abel Aganbegyan, a top economist appointed by Gorbachev to head an independent commission,, released a report that was highly critical of the government plan for a ''regulated market'' presented by Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov earlier this year.

Aganbegyan told reporters the government plan was ''half-measures and too slow'' and said he supported some of the more radical moves suggested by Yeltsin, including rapid privatization of property.

''This term 'regulated market' - what is it?'' Aganbegyan said. ''Is it a market or is it regulated? We want a transfer to a modern market.''

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#90241u0852 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (AUG. 29) UPI - Six men serving life sentences for a 1974 IRA bombing attack on a Birmingham pub that killed 21 people will have their cases reviewed because of discrepancies in police records, Home Secretary

David Waddington ruled Wednesday.

The evidence reportedly shows that a record of a police interview with defendant Richard McIlkenny, supposedly transcribed at the time of the interview, may have been put together later, the Home Office said.

The decision to send the case back to the Court of Appeals means the convictions may be overturned if the court feels new evidence warrants it.

In October, the convictions were overturned for four people, each of whom had served 14 years in prison for the bombing of a pair of pubs in Guildford, England, on behalf of the Irish Republican Army. Investigators said police officers withheld crucial evidence at the trial and ''concocted'' some of the defendants' statements.

The so-called ''Birmingham Six'' - McIlkenny, Hugh Callaghan, Patrick Hill Gerard Hunter, William Power and John Walker - were convicted in August 1975 of bombing two pubs in Birmingham, an industrial city in the English Midlands, in November 1974. The attack, claimed by the IRA, killed 21 people and injured 162.

They are serving mandatory life sentences but consistently maintained that they were innocent.

On appeal in 1987, the court decided that new information casting doubt on scientific evidence presented by prosecutors, along with allegations by the defendants of police intimidation while they were in custody, was not enough to overturn the convictions.

!Girry Adams, president of Sinn Fein, the left-wing political party that represents the outlawed Irish Republican Army, called for the immediate release of the six men pending the court's decision.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-82.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 134.00-140.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $265.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50- 4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $114.00-$115.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $476.75-$481.50; dealer- approx., $488.00-$496.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $114.00-$122.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 284.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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#90241u0855 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

BONN (AUG. 29) UPI - Higher gas prices upped West Germany's inflation rate 0.5 percentage points to about 2.9 percent in August, the official statistics office said in a statement issued Wednesday.

Inflation levels in June and July were 2.4 percent. The average inflation rate for the first seven months of the year was 2 percent, the office said.

The statistics office attributed the increase to higher gas prices caused by the continuing crisis in the Persian Gulf that followed the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

The office said the 2.9 percent inflation figure was based on a survey of four of the 11 West German states.

The Hamburg-based Institute for Economic Research said in a statement also issued Wednesday that the inflation rate for 1990 was expected to reach 3

percent. The institute forecast a 4 percent to 4.5 percent inflation rate for 1991.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 29) UPI - Widespread selling and continued favorable weather pressured the grain market early today.

Grain and soybean futures were mostly lower on the Chicago Board of Trade as midmorning prices were below the opening levels.

Much of the selling was attributed to liquidation or profit-taking, but losses were limited by the lack of country movement and higher basis levels.

Weather conditions remain beneficial for corn and soybean development, which tended to keep a lid on prices. However, hot, dry weather in the Delta continued to stress the soybean crop.

Locals dominated the trading in wheat and prices were mostly lower.

There was limited news from exporters. Taiwan was in the market for a small quantity of wheat and Pakistan for 26,000 tons of soybean oil.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.54 1/4 up 1/2; Dec 2.42 1/2 off 3/4; Mar 2.50 1/4 off 1 1/2.

Soybeans Sep 6.17 3/4 off 2; Nov 6.32 1/4 off 2 1/4; Jan 6.45 3/4 off 2 1/2; MAr 6.59 1/4 off 1 1/4.

Wheat Sep 2.79 1/4 off 1/2; Dec 2.94 1/4 off 1; Mar 3.05 off 1 1/4.

Oats Sep 1.06 1/4 off 2 1/4; Dec 1.19 1/4 off 2; Mar 1.31 off 2 1/4.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - The countdown clocks were set into motion this morning for Saturday's pre-dawn launch of the shuttle Columbia from Cape Canaveral. NASA is keeping its fingers crossed that all will go smoothly with the newly repaired and presumably leak-free spaceplane. It will be the first shuttle launch in four months.

Nicaragua and Honduras are taking steps to improve relations. The two Central American countries began high-level military contacts yesterday. The two nations have had difficult relations during the past few years

because Honduras harbored the Contra rebels during Nicaragua's nine-year civil war.

Alaska voters selected a liberal Democrat and a moderate Republican as candidates for governor yesterday. Democrat Tony Knowles, a former mayor of Anchorage, will face Republican Arliss Sturgulewski, a state senator, in the fall election. Also, two-thirds of the voters rejected an initiative to make gambling legal.

Government and industry leaders were in Alaska yesterday to consider whether to let oil companies look for more crude beneath the tundra of a wildlife refuge near the giant Prudhoe Bay oil field. Deputy Energy Secretary W. Henson Moore is leading a series of national energy strategy hearings around the country.

The Exxon Mediterranean- once known as the Exxon Valdez - returns to sea today for the first time since it spilled Millions gallons of oil in Alaska's Prince William Sound. Shipbuilding officials say the tanker successfully passed its initial dockside check-out at San Diego Harbor.

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#90241u0890 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

PLAINFIELD, IL (AUG. 29) UPI - National Guardsmen Wednesday searched for victims in a cornfield adjacent to an apartment complex torn apart by a swarm of tornadoes that hit without warning from weather officials, killing at least two dozen people.

Nearly 350 injured by the storms that destroyed the apartment complex in Crest Hill, leveled Plainfield High School and turned scores of homes into rubble.

Gov. James R. Thompson sent National Guard troops to the area to put down scattered looting and, following a morning tour, declared Will County a state disaster area. The governor also asked President Bush to issue a federal disaster declaration.

The twisters struck without warning about 40 miles southwest of Chicago's Loop.

''I was on the fourth floor of the courthouse (in Joliet) talking with the chief judge when I heard the Joliet sirens go off,'' Will County Sheriff John Johnsen said Wednesday.

No sirens warned residents of Plainfield or Crest Hill, officials said. The National Weather Service confirmed it failed to issue any tornado watches or warnings in advance of the destruction, blaming the problem on outdated equipment.

National Guardsmen arrived at the Cedar Woods Apartment complex at 6:30 a.m. to begin going through a cornfield for people who may have been tossed into the field by the severe winds.

Officials said there was no word on how many people were missing.

Will County Coroner Duane Kreiger and Deputy Coroner William Ferguson said 24 people were killed by the storm.

Weather officials said the storm was the worst in northern Illinois since a 1967 twister killed 55, most in the south Chicago suburb of Oak Lawn.

The storm killed first at Plainfield, leveling Plainfield High School and surrounding homes and heavily damaging a Roman Catholic church complex.

It then skipped southwest to the northern outskirts of Joliet, where it chewed through the Cedar Woods apartment complex in Crest Hill.

Ferguson said three bodies were pulled from the wreckage of St. Mary Immaculate Church, including school Principal Sister Mary Keenan. Three more died at the high school, where football and volleyball players were evacuated only minutes before the gym where they were practicing was destroyed.

Ferguson said eight of the victims were in an apartment complex in Crest Hill when the twister hit, chopping the three-story buildings to one floor or less.

''There were people blown off the top of the building,'' said firefighter Joseph Casagrande, who said he helped remove the bodies from the nearby cornfield.

Other witnesses said the storm peeled away the buildings' walls, leaving the residents at the mercy of the swirling winds. Among the bodies found in the cornfield was that of a baby girl, Will County Executive Charles Adelman said.

Prince Mayne, a reporter for radio station WCCQ, located within sight of the Cedar Woods complex, said he heard victims screaming after the storm passed.

''Across the street, four out of eight town homes are totally destroyed. People are wandering around with their belongings, wondering what to do,'' Mayne said.

The other fatalities were scattered along the path of the storm.

The injured clogged Silver Cross and St. Joseph's hospitals in Joliet and spilled over to hospitals as far away as Loyola Medical Center in Maywood, west of Chicago.

At midmorning Wednesday, eight area hospitals reported treating 349 injured, including three who died at Joliet's St. Joseph's Medical Center. Eighty-one were admitted, 19 of them in critical or ''very serious'' condition.

Plainfield High School was virtually destroyed by the storm.

''There is no school left,'' said Plainfield High School administrator Steve Schammerhor. ''All the houses in front of the school are pretty much gone. Twenty or 30 houses are gone.''

District school buses were stacked by the storm into a twisted yellow pile behind the rubble of the school. School was to have started Wednesday. Instead, officials canceled classes for the rest of the week and said they will try to assess what to do with the rest of the year.

Principal James Waldorf said the disaster could have been far worse if coaches, fearing the weather, had not moved volleyball and football players from a large gymnasium to a smaller one just as the storm hit. The larger gym was destroyed while the smaller one largely escaped damage, he said.

Electric power and telephone service was cut to thousands of customers. Commonwealth Edison said more than 55,000 customers were without power after the storm hit in the Joliet-Plainfield and Aurora areas. By midmorning Wednesday, 9,000 still were without power, ComEd spokesman Mike Kelly said.

A spokesman for Northern Illinois Gas said service was turned off to about 200 buildings because of leaks.

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WILLOW GROVE, PA (AUG. 29) UPI - Two Marines have been discharged and two others told to find other work because of their roles in the crash of an A-4 jet fighter on a suburban street, a Marine Corps official said Wednesday.

An investigation revealed that improperly secured fuel lines caused the jet to run out of fuel during the routine training mission, Lt. Col. Donald Breuy said.

The pilot ejected safely in the Jan. 13 crash near the Willow Grove Naval

Air Station outside of Philadelphia. No one on the ground was injured, although several homes and cars were damaged.

Former Staff Sgt. Darel Scott Jones was discharged Monday, along with his superior officer, for failing to update the maintenance manual used by mechanics who inspected the plane, Breuy said. The officer was not publicly identified.

''I'm the scapegoat,'' Jones told The Philadelphia Inquirer. ''They needed somebody to blame and they decided on me.''

Jones needed less than two years to qualify for his 20-year pension.

The latest manual for the jet had been ordered and the manual used by the crew had been clearly marked ''training only,'' Jones said.

Breuy said Jones's failure to update the manual was the latest in a series of mistakes.

''If the crew had the latest manual, then the job would have been done right,'' Breuy said.

The two other Marines, a gunnery sergeant and an aircraft maintenance officer, were given ''adverse fitness reports'' and told to leave the service, Breuy said, refusing to identify them. It was not clear what their roles in the crash were.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Aug. 29:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	69	21
Amsterdam c	1pm	81	27
Ankara c	3pm	81	27
Athens c	2pm	85	30
Auckland cy	12a	47	09
Beijing c	8pm	81	27
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	83	28
Bonn c	1pm	83	29
Brussels c	1pm	84	29
Cairo c	2pm	90	32
Casablanca pc	12n	76	25
Copenhagen c	1pm	76	24

Dakar cy	12n	89	32
Dublin pc	1pm	64	18
Geneva c	1pm	81	27
Helsinki pc	2pm	66	19
Hong Kong pc	8pm	82	28
Jerusalem c	2pm	85	29
Karachi c	5pm	86	30
Lisbon cy	1pm	79	26
London cy	1pm	85	30
Madrid pc	1pm	86	30
Malta c	1pm	82	28
Manila cy	8pm	79	26
Moscow cy	3pm	55	13
Nairobi pc	3pm	78	25
Nassau cy	7am	80	27
New Delhi cy	6pm	82	28
Nice c	1pm	82	28
Oslo cy	1pm	64	18
Paris pc	1pm	87	31
Pretoria c	2pm	80	26
Riyadh	3pm	-	-
Rome c	1pm	82	28
Seoul c	9pm	79	26
Sofia pc	2pm	77	25
Stockholm pc	1pm	69	21
Sydney cy	10pm	60	16
Taipei r	8pm	80	27
Tokyo pc	9pm	78	26
Tunis pc	1pm	82	28
Vienna c	1pm	87	31
Warsaw c	1pm	75	24

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	46	08
Caracas pc	8am	72	22
Havana hz	7am	74	24
Lima r	7am	56	14
Mexico City hz	6am	58	14
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	62	17
Santiago cy	8am	47	09

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain

s-snow
w-windy

-30- 2115
#90241u0923 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 29) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 56-62.

-30- 453
#90241u0945 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 29) UPI - OPEC scrapped its oil production quotas today to make up for the shortfall caused by the embargo against Iraq and Kuwait. For the time being, members of the cartel can produce as much oil as they wish. A Nigerian oil spokesman says production should rise three- to three and one-half Million barrels a day... nearly as much as the expected shortage. After the announcement oil prices fell sharply in London. The 13 OPEC nations produce about 40 percent of the crude oil in world trade.

The government reports the Index of Leading Economic Indicators did NOT change last month. The index tracks 11 economic factors to predict future business activity. The Commerce Department says three components were up, seven down and one UNchanged. In June, the index rose one-tenth of one percent and in May it rose six-tenths of one percent.

Government agencies are cutting back. They were told earlier this month to plan for reducing their budgets by 32 percent. That can NOT be done except with layoffs. Three-Million government employees have received notices they may be laid off up to 22 days as early as October 1st. The National Labor Relations Board already has delayed all hearings on unfair labor practices.

National Guard troops and police are in Plainfield, Illinois, to prevent looting following killer tornadoes. Two arrests were made during the night. 24 people were killed in the Plainfield area by the twisters. An official says the storm cut a path ''300 to 700 feet wide and seven miles

long.'' Plainfield High School was destroyed. A yellow pile of rubble marks the spot where the school buses were parked.

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#90241u0950 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 62-65.

-30- 418
#90241u0951 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 29) UPI - A U-S military plane ferrying supplies to troops in the Persian Gulf crashed today after taking off from Ramstein, West Germany. At least 13 U-S soldiers were killed. The plane landed in a wooded area and fog made it difficult to find victims. The plane was a C-5 Galaxy, one of the world's largest military transplant planes.

Civic and business leaders in Virginia Beach, Virginia, and college students are determined to have a calm Labor Day weekend. In recent years, students from black colleges have visited the resort for an end-of-summer celebration. Last year, it turned violent with more than one-Million dollars damage to businesses. Last year there was little to do. This year's plan calls for activities such as concerts and a black leaders' conference.

Health researchers are gathered in Washington for what is called the world's first congress on the health effects of garlic. Studies with animals and sometimes humans suggest garlic in one form or another may reduce blood cholesterol and blood pressure. Chinese researchers report it may fight fungus infections. But some researchers also argue that in too large quantities, garlic can kill humans.

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#90241u0954 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
MIDWAY, UT (AUG. 29) UPI - A ferocious 3,000-acre wildfire that killed

two firefighters and destroyed 18 homes was declared contained Wednesday as investigators searched for the person or persons who caused it.

An abandoned campfire sparked the blaze, which gutted one year- round residence and 17 summer homes on state and private land in the Devil's Hole area between Midway and Wasatch Mountain State Park, about 30 miles southeast of Salt Lake City, said fire spokeswoman Loyal Clark.

The fire was expected to be fully controlled Wednesday evening, Clark said.

The person or persons responsible for the campfire that ignited the 120-acre Decker Canyon Fire on Friday and led to the major blaze can be held responsible for the cost of fire suppression, Clark said.

Investigators said no suspects had been identified.

''When I left the fire last night at midnight it (suppression cost) was $430,000,'' Clark said. The least expensive of the gutted homes was valued at $250,000, officials said.

Meanwhile, about 60 residents evacuated from some 300 homes in the area were allowed to return to their homes Wednesday morning. Most of the homes evacuated were summer residences unoccupied at the time of the blaze.

''They can go in and stay or go in and remove their belongings,'' Clark said. ''A lot of their homes are still filled with smoke.''

Crews extinguished the Decker Canyon Fire on Saturday. However, sometime during that blaze an ember or piece of debris was apparently blown by the wind and smoldered until 1 p.m. Sunday, when the major blaze began in thick oak brush and exploded, fanned by 50-mph winds.

The bodies of Wasatch County Sheriff's Deputy Blake Wright, 39, and Public Works employee Ralph Broadhead, 64, both of Heber, were found about 1 a.m. Monday in Sids Canyon.

The two were operating a bulldozer, creating fire lines in the southern end of the blaze, when they became trapped and were overcome by smoke and flames.

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OMAHA (AUG. 29) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves 500; trading on light receipts slaughter steers and heifers fairly active, 25 cents lower than Tuesday; slaughter cows $1.00 to $2.00 lower than Tuesday; steers few loads and lots choice 2-3 few 4

1100-1300 lbs. 75.00-76.25, select and choice 2-3 1050-1250 lbs. 74.00-75.00; heifers few loads and packages choice 2-3 few 4 975-1125 lbs. 75.50-76.25, select and choice 2-3 950-1100 lbs. 73.00-74.00; cows breaking few 53.25-56.50, boning 52.50-57.00, low to average cutter 48.00-54.50.

Hogs 1,300; butchers $1.00 to $1.50 lower; No 1-3 230-250 lbs. 53.00-53.50 No 1-2 210-230 lbs. 51.00-53.25, No 2-3 250-270 lbs. 52.50- 53.00, 250-260 lbs.instances 53.50; sows under 500 lbs. weak to $1.00 lower, over 500 lbs. weak; No 1-3 350-475 lbs. 45.00, 470-500 lbs. 46.00-46.50, No 2-3 500-650 lbs.52.00-52.50.

Sheep 100; slaughter lambs and ewes steadyl shorn lambs choice and prime 110-130 lbs. No 1-2 pelts 48.00-50.00, wooled lambs choice and prime 120-130 lbs. 47.00-49.00; shorn ewes cull to good 13.00-17.00.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - President Bush today gave a pep talk to American troops in the Middle East and around the world. In a broadcast over the Armed Forces Radio, Bush said the U-S military- quoting now- ''stands on the front line against aggression and international lawlessness.'' He described America as- in his words- ''a once reluctant fist now clenched resolutely'' against Iraq's aggression in the Persian Gulf. And he says the U-S will ''always stand for what is right'' to preserve the peace.

Bush's speech from the Oval office came as the military reported that 13 American soldiers died this morning in the crash of a U-S military transport plane assigned to carry supplies to U-S forces stationed in the Persian Gulf. A military spokesman says the C-5 transport aircraft crashed shortly after takeoff from the U-S military base of Ramstein in western West Germany. The cause of the crash is NOT immediately known.

The government reports today that its Index of Leading Economic Indicators remained unchanged last month after rising by a revised one- tenth of one percent in June and gaining a revised six-tenths of one percent in May. The Commerce Department says the average work week was the major contributor to the June and May revisions. The comprehensive index tracks 11 segments of the economy in an effort to predict future business activity in the United States.

The death toll from tornadoes that whipped northeastern Illinois yesterday rose to 24 as the governor planned to visit the devastated area today. Quick-thinking high school coaches may have prevented a worse tragedy by moving 150 athletes to an underground gymnasium before twisters leveled Plainfield High School. NO students were hurt, but authorities report more than 300 people injured in the region.

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#90241u0960 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 29) UPI - A noon prayer service is scheduled at the University of Florida, where students are mourning the grisly slayings of five people who lived within two miles of the Gainesville campus. The most recent victims were a young man and woman found yesterday in their apartment near campus. A 60-member police task force is investigating, but Gainesville police chief Wayland Clifton Junior says NO suspects have been identified. Terrorized students bought security devices. Store owners sold out of dead-bolt locks, battery-powered stun guns and Mace.

Top executives from the major airlines around the world are attending a three-day conference on raising fares in light of the Persian Gulf crisis and rising fuel costs. It's likely the Geneva, Switzerland, conference will approve at least a five percent increase in air fares world-wide by October 1st. The meeting was called by the International Air Transport Association, representing 200 of the world's major air carriers.

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#90241u0964 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - Government employees are looking to Congress to overhaul the 20-year-old federal pay system that has allowed their pay checks to shrink by more than 20 percent compared with those received by workers in the private sector.

Through their unions and individually, federal workers are pressing the lawmakers to approve the legislation next month despite budget constraints and the need to deal with other pressing issues before adjournment in early October.

''We have the opportunity to close the pay gap within this decade, a gap that has haunted us for years,'' Robert Tobias, president of the National Treasury Employees Union, recently told his members.

Tobias and other union leaders are seeking ''a pay system that will reward federal employees for what they do - for what they are really worth.''

The push for passage of a pay reform bill comes as the White House once again has vetoed a big catch-up pay raise recommended by a special advisory group.

The advisers recommended to President Bush that pay be increased 22.32 percent for the lowest grade federal worker and 39.55 percent for the highest level.

But under provisions of the Federal Pay comparability Act of 1970, the president is not bound by the recommendations. Instead, Bush decided to give federal workers a 3.5 percent increase begining Jan. 1.

In cutting back on the recommended pay level, Bush followed the examples of Presidents Reagan and Carter, who also said economic conditions prohibited the hefty pay increases recommended by the advisory group during their terms in office.

The chief executives did not dispute that many federal workers have fallen behind their private sector counterparts, only that the government or the economy could not afford the increases.

''Pay raises of this magnitude are clearly unacceptable,'' Bush said in notifying Congress of his decision. ''They would be detrimental to our efforts to set government spending at levels that promote non-inflationary growth.''

Congress, which has 30 days to act, may override the president and vote for a larger pay increase, but it probably would not be much larger. The House Appropriations Committee has approved a 4.1 percent increase.

And there still is the danger that Congress and the administration will come up with a deficit-reduction package that freezes pay at current levels.

For long-term improvement in their pay situation, government workers are hoping for an overhaul of the current pay system.

Bills approved by committees of both the House and the Senate would raise federal pay automatically each year in line with pay increases of non-federal workers. The pay levels would be derived from the annual employment cost indexes of the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The House bill, which is favored by the unions, would authorize annual raises that could close the gap between federal and private sector pay over the next decade.

The administration opposes both bills because they would limit the president's authority to decide on pay raises for the federal work force. Both bills would allow him to make small reductions in the annual increases, but the administation wants to retain full presidential discretion to set federal pay levels.

The two sides are negotiating on the issue and may be able to come up with a compromise that can be enacted this year.

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#90241u0985 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - The U.S. Postal Service announced Wednesday it had suspended all U.S. mail service to Kuwait and Iraq because of difficulties reaching the two countries, but added mail destined for U.S. military personnel in other areas of the Middle East is unaffected.

''Effective immediately, international mail service to Kuwait and Iraq has been suspended because of transportation difficulties in reaching the two countries,'' the Postal Service said in a statement.

''This suspension will remain in effect until it becomes operationally possible to once again transport mail to Kuwait and Iraq.''

The Postal Service also said all international mail destined to Kuwait and Iraq ''will be returned to sender endorsed 'Service Temporarily Suspended.' Customers can file applications for a refund on mail returned because of this suspension service.''

The agency said, ''Mail service to military personnel deployed to Saudi Arabia and to other areas of the Middle East continues as normal.''

A Postal Service spokesman said the average mail load to Kuwait from the United States is not more than 600 pounds a day and not more than 1,000 pounds a day to Iraq.

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#90241u0990 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 29) UPI - The National Weather Service Wednesday confirmed it did not issue a tornado warning - or even a tornado watch - before twisters ripped through the Joliet, Ill., area, killing dozens of people.

As a result, residents had no official advance warning of the killer storm.

The NWS blamed the failure, which has occurred in other areas, on aging technology used to track severe weather in the United States and the system itself.

A tornado watch normally is issued by the NWS Kansas City Severe Storms Forecast Center whenever conditions are favorable for development of tornadoes.

Fred Ostby, director of the center, said the storms center issued a watch for severe weather in northeastern Illinois but issued no word of possible tornadoes.

The storm slashed through Crest Hill, Plainfield and Joliet, leaving about

two dozen dead and more than 300 injured. The storm was the worst in northern Illinois since 1967 when a twister killed 55, most in the south Chicago suburb of Oak Lawn.

''The system works pretty well much of the time but there are times we cannot capture every tornado that occurs in the country,'' Ostby said. ''I can count off a whole lot of success stories but as far as the folks in Illinois are concerned, that's meaningless.''

A forecaster at the National Weather Service in Rosemont, Ill., adjacent to O'Hare International Airport, said the Kansas City storm center issued a severe thunderstorm watch but no tornado watch.

''Sometimes severe thunderstorm watches imply tornadoes could develop but this one didn't mention tornadoes at all,'' the forecaster said.

The Rosemont NWS office issued its first tornado warning at 3:51 p.m. Tuesday for Crest Hill. That was six minutes after the twister touched down in Crest Hill, destroying an apartment complex with heavy loss of life.

Even before the Crest Hill destruction, the storm devastated Plainfield High School, a Catholic church and whole tracts of houses near Plainfield, northeast of Crest Hill. No NWS warning mentioned the Plainfield touchdown.

''With watches, they say conditions are ripe for tornado development,'' the Rosemont forecaster said. ''But with a warning, our hands are tied until we hear that one has actually been seen. Usually they are spotted out in a cornfield. Usually they're spotted by sheriff's officers and are called in to us. This one dropped right down, right out of the sky, into a populated area. The first to see it were the first to be affected.

''Even though you may have a hunch, you can't put out a tornado warning. If we had put one out based on a hunch, we would have been called heroes. But if nothing happened, we'd be called in on the ''thing h

Ostby said the storm center has a ''pretty good batting average'' in discriminating between systems that just produce thunderstorms and those that produce tornadoes.

Ostby emphasized a severe thunderstorm watch had been issued.

''There are few and far between killer tornadoes that have not been preceded by watches,'' Ostby said. ''Once in a while a severe thunderstorm watch rather than a tornado watch will be issued. But I cannot recall a major tornado in recent years not preceded by at least a severe thunderstorm watch.

''I've been here 18 years and I cannot recall a tornado that killed a large number of people that was not preceded by a watch of some sort.''

Ostby said forecasters are prohibited from issuing tornado warnings based on hunches because it would destroy the weather service's credibility.

''There are 100,000 thunderstorms across the United States a year,'' Ostby said. ''So many have potential to produce tornadoes. If you put out a tornado warning every time, you would have a total loss of credibility.

''The 'cry wolf syndrome' is of great concern to us. If you put out a tornado warning on a hunch, the chance of receiving credibility or anyone taking any action would be totally nil. It would become worthless.''

Ostby said the weather service is in the process of upgrading its radar system. He said the current system is based on technology that was developed in the 1950s.

''It's not exactly state of the art - far from it,'' he said.

The new Doppler system, he said, may have enabled forecasters to predict the Tuesday twisters.

''The next generation of radar has shown that there's a good likelihood that in many situations the tornado can be anticipated in advance,'' Ostby said. ''The circulation that spawns the tornado can be seen on this radar. It measures wind speed and circulation.''

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#90241u1004 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - Using a roof-top device, scientists Wednesday reported they have concentrated sunlight to an intensity stronger than that found on surface of the sun itself.

University of Chicago researchers said they have created a solar collector that funnels sunlight to an amazing intensity: 15 percent higher than levels found on the sun and 84,000 times greater than normal sunlight intensity on Earth.

Roland Winston and his colleagues said on cold, clear days last winter their small collector, positioned atop the roof of the university's physics building, generated 72 watts of power per.0016 square inch. That is 40 percent better than the previous world record set by Winston's team in 1988.

Unconcentrated sunlight reaching earth totals less than one- thousandth of a watt per .0016 square inch, while the surface of the sun generates about

63 watts per .0016 squ'ri inch.

In past work with such devices, the heat generated exceeded 5,400 degrees Fahrenheit. However, Winston noted the yardstick used to gauge the power of solar collectors is similar to that of a lamp - brightness, not heat.

Bimieshwar Gupta, a solar energy expert with the Department of Energy, called Winston's work ''an achievement of considerable significance to the solar program.''

''Our goal was to surpass the intensity of the surface of the sun. We've done that,'' said Winston, chairman of the physics deparment. With that ''benchmark'' reached, the group is now moving on to practical applications of highly concentrated sunlight.

Potential uses include solar-pumped lasers that could be use for communication in space. But such lasers probably would not be powerful enough to be used for defense purposes like Star Wars, Winston said. The intense light might also be harnessed to produce ultraviolet radiation to destroy hazardous wastes and to process new types of materials, he added.

The Chicago solar collector represents a vast improvement over previous ways of concentrating sunlight, like the typical childhood experiment of using a magnifying glass to focus light and set fire to paper.

Traditional sunlight concentrators use imaging lenses like those found in cameras and telescopes. The new device teamed a conventional, 16-inch-diameter telescope lens with a non-imaging concentrator - a finely ground cone of pure sapphire so small ''you could almost put it on a ring'' - to funnel light more efficiently, Winston said.

''A solar furnace or laser does not care about receiving a picture-picture image of the sun. All it cares about is receiving the maximum power per area,'' the researchers wrote in a letter published in the journal Nature.

Winston said the device is still experimental so the cost effectiveness of any practical applications is unknown. The synthetic sapphire in the device ''was not all that expensive,'' and hollow pieces of metal could also be substituted, he said.

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#90241u1006 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - US Sprint said Wednesday it has signed cooperative agreements to sell videoconferencing services to U.S. government agencies.

As a result of cooperative agreements signed with Compression Labs. Inc., San Jose, Calif., and Videoconferencing Systems Inc., Norcross, Ga., US Sprint said it would provide videoteleconferencing services for agencies of the federal government.

The company also said it is in the final stages of negotiating similar agreements with Midwest Communications Corp. of Edgewood, Ky., a provider of video and broadcast industry systems, and Systems Integration Group, a Hyattsville, Md., minority-owned business providing telecommunications services.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., an international telecommunications company based in Kansas City, Mo.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - After an industry report of an unexpected rise in U.S. crude supplies, oil prices dropped nearly $2 a barrel in wild early trading Wednesday as the situation in the Middle East remained relatively quiet.

The market appeared poised for a further move downward as crude prices broke through a key support level - the $26.05-a-barrel low of Monday, when crude fell $4 a barrel and gasoline dropped 17 cents a gallon.

Eleven members of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries agreed to a temporary rise in output to help make up for crude oil lost from the U.N. embargo of Kuwaiti and Iraqi exports imposed in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

But markets appeared to have already largely discounted the widely expected increase of the OPEC cartel.

Analysts said the drop in prices was mainly the result of the American Petroleum Institute's report late Tuesday that U.S. crude inventories rose 900,000 barrels last week to stay 40 million barrels above this time last year.

''Most people were looking for a drawdown in crude,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading at New York's United Energy Inc.

''The rise in crude stocks and no news from the Middle East'' were the reasons behind Wednesday's downward move, Bentz said.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery had fallen $1.88 by midday to $26 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Unleaded gasoline for September delivery was down 2.57 cents to 86 cents a

gallon, while home heating oil dropped 5.02 cents to 74.50 cents a gallon.

The WTI broke through Monday's $26.05-a-barrel low around 11:30 a.m. EDT on the Merc - a favorable technical signal to sellers that could take crude down to $25 a barrel or lower before the end of Wednesday's trading, Bentz said.

''Until something exciting happens, the market is going to seek a stable trading range,'' said Peter Beutel, vice president of Merrill Lynch Futures in New York.

''Most people feel the crisis is behind us and last night's APIs were not positive,'' he said.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, where WTI barrels are bought and sold to the highest bidder, WTI fell $1.80 by midday to $26.10 a barrel.

On the European spot market, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - was down $1.56 to $22.80 a barrel.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent crude had declined $1.62 to $26.58 a barrel.

Although largely discounted, the actual agreement by members of the OPEC cartel, which pumps more than a third of the world's crude, to raise output added to the downward momentum somewhat, Bentz said.

In their Vienna meeting, OPEC oil ministers approved a temporary rise in oil production, a move they said would ensure plentiful supplies into the winter months and stabilize prices at levels not seen since the start of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Despite objections from Iran and a boycott of the meeting by Libya and Iraq, the accord allows each member of the 13-nation cartel to increase output at their discretion ''until such time as the crisis is deemed to be over.''

The agreement would allow members with excess capacity, such as Saudi Arabia, Venezuela and the UAE, to make up 3 li'lion barrels or more of the 4 million barrels lost daily through the U.N. embargo.

The situation in the Middle East was quiet Wednesday.

Iraq said it would ''take time'' to act on its promise Tuesday to release Western women and children, as Western countries made plans to evacuate some of their nationals by air.

In Washington, Iraqi Ambassador Mohammed al-Mashat was called to the State Department to clarify the Iraqi announcement.

Speaking to reporters after meeting with U.S. officials, al-Mashat said the announcement about releasing women and children ''was just made yesterday and it will take time to make arrangements.''

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GREENSBURG, PA (AUG. 29) UPI - A Conrail freight train headed from Pittsburgh to Baltimore derailed Wednesday, blocking both tracks on a major rail corridor and delaying Amtrak passenger service, officials said.

Conrail officials said 18 cars of the freight train jumped the tracks about 4 miles outside Greensburg for unknown reasons shortly after 6 a.m. Five of the cars were empty and the other 13 were carrying mixed freight, officials said.

The train had three locomotives and was pulling 103 cars. Conrail police were trying to determine what caused the accident, and officials said cleanup was expected to last until evening, said Conrail spokeswoman Pat Linskey.

The wreckage blocked both tracks of the Pittsburgh line East - which is used by Amtrak passenger trains - and Conrail was forced to set up a detour along a freight line. The detour itself was expected to delay each train by at least 1 1/2 hours, said Amtrak spokesman Clifford Black in Washington, D.C.

The accident disrupted morning runs of Amtrak's Broadway Limited, a daily train between Chicago and New York, as well as the daily Pennsylvanian, which carries about 100 passengers from Pittsburgh to Philadelphia and New York.

The Broadway Limited was delayed 41 minutes until Conrail provided a pilot qualified to make the freight detour, which is rarely used by passenger trains, Black said.

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LONDON (AUG. 29) UPI - Stock prices moved lower on the London International stock exchange Wednesday in lackluster trading as investors awaited fresh news about the Middle East.

The Financial Times Stock Exchange 100-share index, which gained 39.7 points Tuesday, lost 4 points to end the day at 2,125.7. The narrower

Financial Times 30 index shed 1.5 point to close at 1,658.9.

The sharp decline of the key Nikkei indicator in Tokyo set the stage for the bearish sentiment in London, but rumors of a possible cut in interest rates gave the market a new boost, with the FT-SE rebounding from its low of the day at 2,110.1.

A better-than-expected morning performance on Wall Street helped trim losses, traders said.

Dealers described the volume of 297.3 million shares as ''pathetic.'' They said institutional investors were squaring their positions in the absence of major developments in the Middle East or on the corporate front.

Bright spots were few and far between. Retailer Laura Ashley jumped 35 cents to $1.30 on news that Aeon, a Japanese department store chain, was coming to the troubled company's rescue and acquiring a 15 percent stake for about $59 million.

Other corporations weathering the downturn included Cadbury's, the food and bevdrmge group, which gained 8 cents to $6.28 on better-than- expected financial results.

Speyhawk, the building consortium, plunged $1.44 to $1.93, on reports that merger talks with Sweden's Nordjsternan group had collapsed.

Gilt-edged securities languished amid the thin trading.

In Frankfurt, stock prices surged on news that the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries has agreed to temporarily boost the cartel's crude oil output.

The market drifted lower from the opening but bucked the trend as reports from the cartel's Vienna headquarters reached the trading floor.

The key weighted German Stock Index, or Dax, rebounded from the day's low of 1,601.30 to close at 1,637.66, a gain of 19.77 points over Tuesday's close.

Traders said the prospect of lower oil prices boosted investors' confidence although concerns remained over the Middle East situation.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (AUG. 29) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein may resort to terrorist attacks on U.S. targets in light of his access to groups and leaders linked to past acts of international terrorism, moderate

Palestinian officials and Arab diplomats say.

Arab diplomats from the Persian Gulf point out that it was terrorism, not military confrontation, that forced U.S. troops out the Middle East the last time they were there in force, and cited the example of the 1983 truck bombing of barracks in Lebanon which left 241 U.S. Marines dead.

But a mainstream PLO official opposed to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait who asked that his name not be used told United Press International he believed it was unlikely the Iraqi leader would unleash terrorist acts unless forced into a corner.

''I don't think (he) will use this option unless he is in a corner,'' the official said. ''His decision to release women and children in Iraq is perhaps a sign that he wants to exhaust all options before resorting to terrorism. But his ability to use terrorists is '' terrorists is

The Wall Street Journal last week quoted one foreign intelligence estimate as saying ''there may be as many as 1,400 active international terrorists now in Iraq.''

The Palestine Liberation Organization official said Saddam has in the past ''used the Abu Nidal Organization to attack Israeli targets,'' and cited a 1982 attack on the Israeli ambassador in London.

Recent Arab reports said hundreds of PLO fighters in Lebanon were defecting ''in droves'' to Abu Nidal.

The Abu Nidal group, once described by the State Department as ''the most dangerous terrorist organization in existence,'' was set up in Baghdad in 1973 and has maintained facilities there even after it moved in 1983 to Syria and later to Libya, the official said.

Abu Nidal himself, a former PLO official known as Sabri al Banna, is believed to be in Baghdad.

One Arab diplomat based in Cairo said Abu Nidal's desire to show gratitude to Iraq for offering a new haven from which to operate may make the terrorist group ''amenable to placing its operational units at Saddam's disposal.''

In the past, the Abu Nidal organization showed itself capable of undertaking such terrorist activities as hijackings, indiscriminate gun and grenade attacks, bombings, assassinations and kidnappings through a highly effective network of clandestine cells extending around the world.

The PLO official also said another terrorist leader, Abul Abbas, recently

distributed an order to his forces in their Lebanese stronghold of Sidon calling on them to attack U.S. targets.

According to the official, the order read in part: ''Open fire on the American enemy everywhere. Quake the earth under the feet of the invaders and collaborators ... the daily fighting order to each and every one of you, wherever you are, is:

''One - hit American interests and all the intelligence centers linked to them. Two - strike at the interests of the treacherous agents in the Arab nation and all brokers allied with American imperialism. Three - attack the American and NATO military presence in the Arabian peninsula.''

The Abul Abbas order appeared directed not only toward the United States, but also at countries such as Egypt, Morocco, Syria, Bangladesh and Pakistan, which have either already sent troops to defend Saudi Arabia.

The PLO official said 4,300 fighters of the Baghdad-based Palestine Liberation Front led by Abul Abbas had already volunteered to help ''defend Iraq.''

Egyptian Interior Ministry sources said other major figures associated with terrorism also have long records of association with Iraq and might be available to lend their expertise to a terror campaign.

Abu Ibrahim, a master bombmaker and designer of the hidden suitcase bomb for destroying airliners, was reported in Arab newspapers as retired and living in Baghdad. His expertise might be available to support other groups tasked with the actual placing of explosive devices.

Abu Salim, whose Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine- Special Command claimed responsibility for the 1985 bombing of a Spanish restaurant frequented by U.S. servicemen, is also reported to be based in Baghdad.

PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat moved key parts of the PLO leadership to the Iraqi capital of Baghdad from Tunis, Tunisia, prior to the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, and has supported Iraq in its conflict with the West and Arab states such as Egypt. But Arafat himself has renounced violence and recognized the right of Israel to exist as a prerequisite for talks with the United States.

An unlikely tool for Iraq in the event of it sponsoring terrorist attacks may be Lebanon's pro-Iranian Shiite Moslem grpoup, Hezbollah.

In seizing Kuwait, Saddam secured the fate of 15 Shiite terrorists held there, including the brother-in-law of one of Hezbollah's toughest operatives, Imad Mugniyah. This places Saddam in a powerful position to

influence Hezbollah, which is believed to be behind the kidnapping of American and other Western hostages in Lebanon, the Egyptian sources said.

According to Arab press reports, Hussein Moussawi, one of the more moderate Hezbollah leaders in Lebanon, has already called on Moslems to ''launch suicide attacks on the Western forces.''

Hezbollah carried out suicide bomb attacks on U.S. and French military and diplomatic targets in Lebanon in 1983, and since the September 1989 execution of 16 Kuwaiti Shiites in Saudi Arabia for alleged involvement in bombings in Mecca, a number of attacks have also been mounted on Saudi diplomatic targets.

Hezbollah is reported to have mounted operations in Europe in recent years and arms caches belonging to the group have been found in West Africa, Spain and Cyprus.

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PHOENIX (AUG. 29) UPI - Phoenix real-estate executive Thomas Arnold Jr. has been named temporary trustee of Charles H Keating Jr.'s bankrupt American Continental Corp., parent company of the failed Lincoln Savings and Loan Association.

U.S. District Court Judge Richard Bilby Tuesday named Arnold to head the company until a Sept. 7 hearing after which Bilby is expected to decide whether Arnold will continue as chairman or be replaced with a Bankruptcy Court trustee.

Keating and five of his associates resigned from the top management of American Continental last Friday, one day after a federal judge in Washington rejected Keating's attempt to regain control of Lincoln.

American Continental filed for bankruptcy protection in April 1989 amid Keating's battle with federal regulators over Lincoln Savings. Regulators seized Lincoln Savings the following day and subsequently said it would be the costliest of the nation's thrift buyouts, costing taxpayers as much as $2.5 billion.

American Continental was the holding company for Keating's financial empire which specialized in real estate development.

Bilby placed Arnold in control of about $16 million in remaining assets of American Continental, but said he could not hire anyone or fire any of the company's remaining 17 employees.

A committee of unsecured creditors favored Arnold, a former president of

Del Webb Corp. and current president of Castillo & Arnold real-estate company, to lead American Continental through liquidation.

Unsecured creditors - primarily about 23,000 holders of American Continental bonds rendered worthless by the bankruptcy filing - have submitted a liquidation plan which they claim would pay up to 21 cents on the dollar.

Keating's attorneys initially opposed the plan, but one of them, James Feder, said Tuesday that, ''We believe that something probably can be worked out.''

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PITTSBURGH (AUG. 29) UPI - Pittsburgh National Bank has agreed to hire 13 minority group members who were denied clerical employment and pay $100,000 in back pay, the government said Wednesday.

The U.S. Labor Department in Philadelphia says the settlement is the result of a compliance review that began in September 1989.

Joseph DuBray, regional director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance in Philadelphia, says PNB was found to have denied employment opportunities to qualified minority clerical applicants at a significantly higher rate than qualified non-minorities.

Pittsburgh National refused to admit any violation of the law.

''As part of the agreement, PNB has provided jobs to the 13 minorities along with seniority retroactive to the dates when they should have been hired,'' DuBray said.

PNB also will be revising its applicant selection procedures to enable the bank to track the components of the selection process.

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GAINESVILLE, FL (AUG. 29) UPI - The serial killer hunted in the slayings of five students sought out petite young brunette women, knew his victims and forced his way into their apartments, police said Wednesday.

''We've got a rather shrewd individual on our hands,'' Police Chief Wayland Clifton Jr. said. ''He's proved that several times. We have lots of physical evidence. We are developing suspects at this time.

''It does appear that he had some prior knowledge of the suspects and

their dwellings.''

Fear has permeated the University of Florida community since authorities discovered the bodies of four young women and one young man in a three-day period in apartments within 2 miles of the campus. Four were UF students and the fifth was a student at Santa Fe Community College and police believe all five were slain by the same one or two people.

Clifton did not discuss the killer's possible motive or say if the victims had been robbed or sexually assaulted.

''We're still trying to find if there's any common denominator or commonalities between the five victims,'' Clifton said. ''Dark hair seems to be one of the commonalities. Obviously he likes young people.''

The four women victims were all petite white women with brown hair. The male victim was the boyfriend of one of the women. All lived in first-floor apartments except one, who lived in a basement apartment.

Police said the third victim, Christa Hoyt, 18, a student at Santa Fe Community College and clerk for the Alachua County Sheriff's Department, had been stabbed to death. They would not confirm reports that Hoyt had been decapitated but acknowledged that some of the first three victims' bodies had been mutilated.

The last two victims, University of Florida students Tracey Paules, 23, of Palm Springs North and Manuel Taboada, 23, of Carol City, were apparently bludgeoned to death but their bodies were not mutilated, said sheriff's Lt. Spencer Mann.

Autopsy results were pending for the first two victims, University of Florida freshmen roommates Christina P. Powell, 17, of Jacksonville and Sonya Larson, 18, of Deerfield Beach.

A task force of more than 100 officers, including the crime lab specialist who helped catch serial murderer Ted Bundy, were working on the case.

The FBI and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement were expected to release a psychological profile of the killer late Wednesday or Thursday.

Clifton said the killer had forced his way into the victims' apartments, entering through a sliding glass door in one case. There was no indication that the killer used any form of disguise to gain entry.

The slayings set off panic and heightened security in the university community. Frightened students fled and those who stayed armed themselves.

Store owners reported selling out of deadbolt locks, Mace and

battery-powered stun guns. Gun stores said people were buying rifles and shotguns to avoid the 48-hour waiting period required for pistols.

Clifton cautioned students agaisnt buying guns.

''Vigilantism is never good,'' the chief said. ''Usually what you get is an innocent person being hurt, a meter reader.''

Some students huddled together in hotel rooms, too scared to return to their apartments.

''We're leaving this morning,'' said pre-med student Jill Gershung, a 21-year-old senior from West Palm Beach.

''Some are saying they're waiting until Thursday or Friday or until they find another body. I don't know why they're waiting though. Five is plenty for me,'' Many parents went to Gainesville to take their children home for a few days or to stay with them.

''If they don't discover the person by the weekend, I'm taking her home,'' Joe Colucci of Davie said of his daughter.

John Dewing of Boston was on a plane for Gainesville two hours after his ex-wife in Palm Beach got a call from their 19-year-old daughter, Ali.

''According to my mother, I'm not coming back up here until this guy is found, whether it's two months or two weeks. I don't want to be here if there's a crazy guy running around killing people,'' said Ali Dewing, a University of Florida student. ''Everybody's pretty much going home.''

Classes continued on schedule Wednesday, with sporadic attendance.

University President John Lombardi extended until Sept. 7 the deadline for students to withdraw from classes without penalty. Though students were leaving in droves, few had formally withdrawn from the university.

''What the president has recommended is that the students take a long weekend and a lot are doing that,'' said Registrar Steve Pritz.

About 300 people gathered at a noon prayer service for the victims.

''I don't know what's gone wrong,'' said the service leader, Susan Wieder, a university student from St. Cloud. ''I pray for myself, I pray for others, I pray for an end to the situation ... I pray for people liveing in fear. Thats an awful way to live.''

Student John Hoffman, 21, of Clearwater, lives at the complex where Tuesday's victims were found. He walked his roommate and girlfriend to

their car Wednesday morning, carrying a golf club for protection.

He said he and roommate John Belcher were leaving Gainesville Wednesday.

''We're not just waiting around to see who's next,'' Hoffman said.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - The struggle for America's cultural soul heated up Wednesday as a conservative legal group said it was suing the National Endowment for the Arts and a liberal civil liberties organization reported a sharp jump in efforts to censor the books school children read.

At a news conference, the Rutherford Institute, a Christian- oriented civil liberties organization, said it was filing suit in U.S. Court for the District of Columbia challenging the NEA's ''open and notorious hostility to religion.''

Just a few blocks away, People for the American Way said censorship problems in the schools have gone ''from bad to worse,'' reporting 244 attacks on books and instructional material.

Calling the increase - from last year's 172 reported incidents - ''no suprise,'' People for the American Way president Arthur Kropp said, ''The censorship movement in America is flourishing.

''From novels to television programs to fine art to music to movies to textbooks, we are witnessing an explosion of censorship, an explosion sparked by the match of the Far Right and Religious Right intolerance.''

While the lawsuit and the report were unrelated incidents, both go the heart of the struggle between political, religious and social factions seeking to impress their view of the nature of American culture on the people.

The Rutherford Institute lawsuit seeks a declaration from the federal courts that funding by the arts endowment of a catalog and exhibition by New York artist David Wojnarowicz titled ''Tongues of Flame'' is unconsitutional because it violates the First Amendment's Establisimint Clause requiring government neutrality toward religion.

The suit accused the NEA and its chairperson, John Frohnmayer, of taking a position of ''open and notorious hostility toward religion.''

According to the Rutherford suit, the catalog depicts Jesus as a drug user and calls New York Cardinal John O'Connor a ''fat cannibal.''

''People are free to privately create whatever art they may desire for their own purposes,'' said Rutherford president John Whitehead. ''But the government should not become the patron of hate art against some of its citizens.

''Religious people must no longer be the personal targets of cannon fire from National Endowment projects,'' he said.

The People for the American Way report said efforts to censor children's school reading included attacks on such classics as Shakespeare's ''Romeo and Juliet,'' the stories of Edgar Allen Poe, Mark Twain's ''The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn'' and John Steinbeck's ''Of Mice and Men.'' Also coming under attack are critically acclaimed contemporary books like E.L. Doctorow's ''Ragtime,'' Alice Walker's ''The Color Purple'' and Maya Angelou's, ''I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings.''

Much of the criticism centers on ''the three ''S's'' - sex, Satanism and swearing - with much of the current emphasis on alleged Satanism. In Springfield, Ore., for example, efforts were made to stop the high school's production of Noel Coward's ''Blithe Spirit,'' which involves contact with the spirit world. One objector explained that ''it's getting into the New Age religion, the (actress) Shirley MacLaine kind of stuff.''

Kropp said much of the organized efforts at censorship were coming from Religious Right groups such as the Traditional Values Coalition, in Anaheim, Calif. He said the censorship efforts primarily were directed at the popular kindergarten to sixth grade ''Impressions'' reading curriculum published by Holt, Rinehart and Winston.

The series contains stories, essays and poems by the likes of Martin Luther King Jr., C.S. Lewis and Laura Ingalls Wilder. Objectors claim the series has overtones of witchcraft and fantasy and has persistent themes of ''rebellion against parents and authority figures.''

''Impressions'' has come under attack in at least 18 school districts in California alone. People for the American Way said 11 districts have decided to keep the series, five are dropping it and two are still deciding how to handle objections.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - Work crews are sifting through rubble and debris after tornadoes yesterday leveled parts of northeastern Illinois, leaving 24 people dead. At least 328 people were injured. NO students were hurt by a tornado that turned Plainfield High School into a pile of rubble. Classes had been scheduled to start today.

U-S military officials are investigating the cause of the fatal crash of a U-S military transport plane assigned to carry supplies to U- S troops in the Persian Gulf. The C-5 transport aircraft went down early today shortly after takeoff from the U-S military base in Ramstein, West Germany. 13 U-S soldiers died, including 10 Texas reservists who volunteered for duty.

Japan is making its first overseas commitment of personnel into an armed conflict. Prime Minister Kaifu says his government will contribute medical personnel and civilian aircraft to the multi- national force confronting Iraq. Kaifu told a news conference in Tokyo- quoting now- ''Japan canNOT be isolated from international society.''

In Beijing, China confirms that it has closed its embassy in Kuwait. The Foreign Ministry denies that the weekend evacuation was in response to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's demand that all missions be closed in recognition of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. The ministry says China remains opposed to the invasion.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - The countdown clocks are ticking toward NASA's first shuttle mission in four months. A repaired shuttle Columbia and its seven astronauts are ready for an early Saturday lift-off from a Cape Canaveral launch pad. Once in orbit, the astronauts will use sophisticated telescopes to study high-energy light that canNOT penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

The head of Operation Push criticized Nike executives for leaving for Europe while the civil rights group launched a boycott to press the shoemaker to hire more black workers. Nike chief Philip Knight and two senior executives are at a sporting goods show in West Germany and are NOT expected to return until mid-September.

Philippines leader Aquino made a 180-degree turn, saying today that she will consider Senate proposals for peace talks with both leftist and rightist guerrillas. Aquino has ignored calls for talks with Philippine rebel groups, but Manila officials say a truce would allow the island nation to close ranks and address the economic impact of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Representatives of the world's major airlines are meeting in Geneva, Switzerland, today to discuss raising fares because of higher fuel costs triggered by the Persian Gulf crisis. The head of the International Air Transport Association says the three-day conference could hike world-wide fares at least five percent by October 1st.

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WARWICK, R.I. (AUG. 29) UPI - A Russian economic group formed when Boris Yeltsin came to power has begun its first swing through the United States, hoping to find advanced technology for banks, government agencies and universities back home.

The five-member delegation of the Russian Federation Innovation Council arrived in New York Monday night with plans to negotiate with executives of Apple Computer, International Business Machines Corp., Digital Equipment Corp., Hewlett-Packard, and other high-tech companies.

On Tuesday, they met representatives of the Boston-based computer company Innovation International Inc., one of the first American firms to assemble personal computers in the Soviet Union.

''Good wishes and slogans will not allow us to integrate our economy with the world if we're not set up for computer-based technology in all of the activities of our country,'' said Nikolai Malyshev, deputy prime minister of Russia and chairman of the State Committee on Science and Higher Education.

The delegation left for the West Coast Tuesday after a boat ride on Narragansett Bay with Innovation International chief executive Frank G. Wright.

They will return to Russia on Sept. 4, said Ellen Witt, a representative of the public relations firm that is helping to organize the visit.

Delegation members said they are interested particularly in computer networks, electronic mail services, advanced telephone services, video technology, and facsimile machines.

Malyshev said the Russian Parliament is in the process of drafting a master plan for computerizing hospitals, schools, banks, government agencies and a stock market.

The stock market should be running in a few years, as more financial institutions become automated and foreign banks come to Russia, he said.

While Russia is trying to accelerate toward a market economy and wants more American investment, the U.S. government has placed high import and export fees on goods to and from the Soviet Union, Malyshev said. The fees have forced Russia to buy more of its new technology from Western Europe, Japan, and South Korea, he said.

''I don't want Americans to miss out on the Russian market,'' Malyshev said. ''Right now, it really is endless.''

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PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 29) UPI - A Quaker group is being flooded with phone calls from soldiers who never expected to go to war but are now afraid they will be asked to fight in the Middle East, an official for the pacifist religious group said Wednesday.

''Nobody who calls here is gung-ho,'' said Harold Jordan, youth and militarism coordinator for the American Friends Service Committee, which opposes war and counsels draftees. ''Most people are fairly desperate.''

Jordan said his office, which normally gets two or three inquiries a day, has received nearly 500 telephone calls in the past two weeks from soldiers, reservists and their families concerned about the Persian Gulf crisis.

''Many of these persons were dissatisfied with certain aspects of the miltary before the current action but this has crystallized it for them,'' Jordan said.

He said most of those contacting the group operated by the American Society of Friends, better known as Quakers, want to know how to keep from going to Saudi Arabia or how to get out of the military.

At least one Marine has applied for conscientious objector status.

''We've been contacted by a number of people who want to apply to be conscientious objectors, which means that they will never have to fight because of moral or religious grounds,'' Jordan said.

Because of the religion's opposition to war, the Quakers are protected by the U.S. Constitution from serving in the armed forces.

''Today's mail has a letter from a guy whose son joined the National Guard and is in basic training and the son has developed serious concerns about being in (the Guard) and wants to know what to do about getting out,'' Jordan said.

Jordan said his office received many calls during and after the American invasion of Panama but there are differences between Panama and Operation Desert Shield, as the deployment of American troops in Saudi Arabia is called.

''It's a longer military operation, more people are being called up and the reserves are being mobilized, so it's going to affect a larger number of people,'' he said.

''It is also something that involves a lot of countries and a country (Iraq) that has a substantial army, so the possibility of it becoming a serious war is higher. That idea has not been lost on young people,'' Jordan said.

He said many younger soldiers are ''shocked and freaked out'' at the prospect of war because the idea is not emphasized in the military's recruiting campaigns.

''What everybody is saying is if they go into the military they don't go in thinking about war,'' Jordan said. ''They know they will have to shoot at dummies or targets during basic training, but they're not thinking about shooting people.

Many soldiers and sailors now in the Persian Gulf were born after 1968, Jordan said, and have few if any memories of Vietnam.

''The military for the most part, with the Marine Corps being a partial exception, does not play up the war aspect (in recruiting),'' Jordan said. ''They play up the training, the money for education.''

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - What do you get when you cross a northern spotted owl with a barred owl?

Scientists in the Pacific Northwest call it a ''sparred owl.'' But they aren't sure whether the cross-breed is merely a quirk of nature or a potential genetic threat to the spotted owl, officially recognized in June as in danger of extinction.

Two live specimens of the hybrid were confirmed by wildlife biologists this summer in the dense woods of Washington state and Oregon.

At first glance, the hybrid resembles both the spotted owl, a threatened species that primarily inhabits older forests of the Northwest, and the barred owl, a cousin common to much of North America.

On closer inspection, however, the sparred owl exhibits physical markings, calls and other characteristics that combine the traits of the two parent species.

''The tail feathers are like a barred owl and the breast feathers are like a spotted owl. The characteristics are intermediate,'' said Eric Forsman, a research biologist for the U.S. Forest Service in Corvallis, Ore.

Both hybrids were males found roosting with female barred owls. The first, originally thought to be a spotted owl, was identified as a cross-breed last month near Mount Baker in the northern Cascades range of Washington.

The second was found the first week of August about 600 miles away near Medford, Ore. This cross-breed and its barred owl mate have produced offspring, making the new generation ''three-quarters barred and one-quarter spotted owl,'' Forsman said in a telephone interview.

The hybrid discovery could alter the equation for the spotted owl, a species already deemed threatened by the loss of its habitat to logging, said David Clinger, a spokesman for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Portland.

Cross-breeding on a wide scale might eventually diminish the spotted owl's tenuous gene pool, complicating efforts to protect the bird, Clinger said.

However, Forsman said he saw little evidence of an imminent hybridization threat to the spotted owl.

''We've only seen two records of this thing happening,'' he said. ''At this point, it appears to be pretty rare.''

For the moment, the greater potential threat to the spotted owl is competition with the barred owl for its dwindling habitat, Forsman said.

The barred owl historically has been found all across the eastern United States and southern Canada, expanding its range in the last 30 years through British Columbia and into Washington, Oregon and northern California, Forsman said.

Less particular about its habitat than its spotted cousin, the barred owl is now invading old-growth forests in the Northwest ''occupied historically only by spotted owls,'' he said.

In any case, researchers tramping through the forests of the Northwest taking inventory of spotted owls and their nesting sites must now take care to avoid confusing spotted and sparred owls, he said.

The spotted owl gets its name from distinctive white spots on the top of its head, while the head of the cross-breed is marked by white crescents or rectangles, Forsman said.

The sparred owl even sounds like a mixture of the parent species - a composite of the four-note territorial call of the spotted owl and an eight-note vocalization of the barred owl, Forsman said.

''This is going to make the research we're doing a little more complicated

'' he said.

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#90241u1196 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 29) UPI - A federal appeals court Wednesday upheld the death sentence of killer Robert Alton Harris, who had been facing California's first execution in 23 years before winning a Supreme Court stay in April.

A panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, by a 2-1 vote, rejected defense arguments that Harris should be given a new evidentiary hearing to consider the competence of his trial psychiatrists.

The decision is not the final word on the condemned man's fate, however. Harris may appeal the ruling to the full 27 judges of the 9th Circuit and, failing there, to the Supreme Court.

Harris, 37, was convicted of the 1978 murders of two San Diego teenagers so he could use their car to rob a bank.

He was scheduled to die in the California gas chamber at San Quentin prison April 3. But 12 hours before the sentence was to be carried out, the Supreme Court upheld an indefinite stay to give the 9th Circuit time to review new legal arguments.

The stay was granted March 30 by 9th Circuit Judge John Noonan, who was the sole dissenting vote in Wednesday's ruling. He said he would have granted the defendant's request for a new hearing.

But Judge Melvin Brunetti wrote, ''The state provided Harris with access to two psychiatrists of his choosing at state expense. Harris's claim that he is entitled to an evidentiary hearing to challenge the competency of the prosecution and defense psychiatrists would require the court to adopt a new rule of constitutional law.''

''Harris has not presented any 'new evidence' of his mental condition at the time of the offense or at trial,'' Brunetti wrote. He was joined in the opinion by Judge Arthur Alarcon.

Deputy Attorney General Dane Gillette said immediately after hearing of the ruling, ''It is a relief that the court decided in the way we had hoped.''

Gillette said it is unlikely that Harris would be executed this year because of the time it will take for appeals to be resolved, assuming further appeals are rejected.

''The biggest question is how long it will take for the 9th Circuit to decide the rehearing request,'' Gillette said. Last time it took 14 months to decide Harris's rehearing request (at the 9th Circuit). I expect it would take the U.S. Supreme Court 120 days to decide whether '' Supreme Court 12

Harris's execution would be California's first since police killer Aaron Mitchell was put to death April 12, 1967. California has sentenced more than 300 murderers to die since it reinstated capital punishment in 1977.

Harris arrived on death row March 14, 1979, after his conviction for the abduction and murders of John Mayeski and Michael Baker, both 16.

The boys were taken at gunpoint from the parking lot of a fast food restaurant. He forced them to drive to a remote area in San Diego where he shot them to death.

According to an account by Harris's brother Danny, who followed in another car, Harris retrieved the boys' leftover hamburgers and ate them before using the car to rob a bank.

Ironically, it was Baker's own father, San Diego police detective Steve Baker who captured Harris not yet knowing his son was one of the victims.

The murders of Baker and Mayeski came a year after Harris was paroled from a 1975 killing of one of his neighbors.

Charles Sevilla, Harris's attorney, argued that Harris was born two months prematurely when his father kicked his mother in a jealous rage and that as a child he was constantly beaten, dropped on his head and terrorized.

Sevilla maintained that Harris suffered from fetal alcohol syndrome, post-traumatic stress from the childhood abuse and possibly organic brain damage.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - 13 American soldiers died today when their military transport plane crashed shortly after taking off from the U-S military base in Ramstein, West Germany. The other four soldiers aboard the plane were injured. The C-5 transport aircraft was en route to the Persian Gulf to deliver food, medical supplies and maintenance equipment to U-S troops. Officials say 10 of the dead soldiers were Texas reservists who volunteered for duty.

OPEC oil ministers agreed to increase output temporarily to make up for a shortage on global markets created by the Persian Gulf crisis. Cartel

sources say the pact was approved over the objections of Iran and despite the absence of Libya and Iraq. The deal reached in Vienna permits OPEC members to raise oil production ''until such time as the crisis is deemed over.'' It is a triumph for Venezuela and Saudi Arabia, which sought OPEC's blessing to raise their oil output.

A senior official at the Olympic Council for Asian Games says 10 Arab nations are threatining to pull out of next month's sporting event in Beijing unless Iraq is barred. The organization says Arab nations agreed at a recent meeting to urge the International Olympic Committee and the Asian Games to suspend Iraq and bar its participation in world sporting events. The threatened boycott follows Iraq's August 2nd invasion of oil-rich Kuwait.

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UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 29) UPI - Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar left Wednesday for Jordan for a meeting with Iraq's foreign minister in an effort to find a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Perez de Cuellar will meet Tariq Aziz in Amman Thursday in the first diplomatic move by the United Nations since Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

''I want a maximum of latitude in my discussions with them, but it will remain within the framework of Security Council resolutions,'' the U.N. leader told reporters before leaving for J.F. Kennedy International Airport.

He will spend Wednesday night in Paris and then fly on to Amman for the meeting. It was not known how long he will remain in Amman, and Perez de Cuellar said it will depend on his talks with Aziz.

President Bush called him Tuesday, encouraring and wishing him success, Perez de Cuellar said without elaborating.

Since the Aug. 2 invasion, the 15-nation Security Council has adopted a total of five resolutions against Iraq, first demanding an immediate withdrawal. As Iraq refused, it imposed stringent trade and military sanctions to force that country to abide by the demand.

The council declared the annexation of Kuwait by Iraq ''null and void,'' demanded the freedom for detained foreigners and authorized military enforcement of the embargo.

Perez de Cuellar said he will discuss the implementation of all five resolutions with Aziz.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - Residents of northeastern Illinois had NO warning yesterday that conditions were right for the formation of tornadoes that swept the area, leaving 24 people dead. Nearly 350 people were injured. The National Weather Service says it did NOT issue a tornado warning, meaning a twister has been spotted... or a tornado watch, which means twisters could form... until it was too late. The twisters ravaged parts of an area 40 miles southwest of downtown Chicago.

Analysts say today's government report on the Index of Leading Economic Indicators shows ''more of the same pattern of an economy essentially going sideways and showing NO growth of any significance.'' The Commerce Department says the index, which gauges future business activity in the United States, was unchanged in July after rising a revised one-tenth of one percent increase in June. The index had gained a revised six-tenths of one percent in May.

Frightened students left the University of Florida in droves today, as the F-B-I wraps up a psychological profile of the killer responsible for the slayings of five students in recent days. The bodies of four young women and one man were found dead in private apartments near the Gainesville campus. Police have NO suspects yet, but the F-B-I is expected to release a personality profile of the killer today.

Marine Corps officials have dismissed four Marines following an investigation into the crash of an A-4 attack jet on a suburban Pennsylvania street. The crash occurred on January 13th during a routine training mission near the Willow Grove Naval Air Station outside Philadelphia. The pilot ejected safely and NO one on the ground was injured, although several homes and cars were damaged. An investigation revealed that improperly secured fuel lines caused the jet to run out of fuel.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - America will continue to rely ''for some time'' on fossil fuels, particularly coal, before alternate energy technologies are available, the National Research Council told Congress Wednesday.

The 127-page report also said the nation should stress improved energy efficiency, and the development of technologies that reduce or eliminate carbon dioxide and other ''greenhouse gases'' blamed for the threat of global warming.

The report said ''even though the United States currently contributes about one-fourth of the world's output of greenhouse gas emissions, unilateral U.S. actions to reduce such emissions may have little effect globally'' and could ''weaken our competitive position in world markets.''

Carbon dioxide and other gases act like the glass windows of a greenhouse in Earth's atmosphere, trapping heat and preventing it from escaping back into space. Some scientists think increased emissions of such gases from cars, coal-fueled industrial plants and other man-made sources will aggravate the greenhouse effect and cause global temperatures to rise.

''The time frame required for development of alternative energy technologies means that fossil fuels, primarily coal, will continue to be major energy sources for some time,'' the report said.

Frank Press, chairman of the panel that prepared the report, said: ''Achieving timely and cost-effective transitions to low or non-carbon based fuels and energy resources will be very difficult.''

The National Research Council sent the report to Energy Secretary James Watkins. He forwarded it to Congress, which had requested the study.

Watkins said in a statement: ''The report finds that two broad technological pathways are open to the nation to significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions from today's levels by the year 2050.

''The first is increasing energy productivity through improvements in the efficiency of energy use and conversion technologies, and the second is developing and shifting to low or non-greenhouse gas emitting energy technologies.''

Watkins said the Energy Department has been working on research to improve energy efficiency and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

U.S. energy research programs should involve ''clean'' coal technologies to achieve high efficiencies in converting coal to electricity, the report said.

The panel also called for the country to spend more money to:

-Develop better insulation for walls, windows and roofs.

-Improve batteries used to power new-generation automobiles.

-Develop better ''separation technologies'' for recycling.

-Expand research into ''biofuels'' generated from plants.

Given the massive federal budget deficit, the committee urged the Energy Department to take $300 million from its budget and spend it on ''programs that would both help reduce greenhouse emissions and are economically attractive independent of current global change concerns.''

The money should be taken from current programs involving magnetic fusion and fossil energy, the committee said. The $300 million figure is 20 percent of the current annual civilian budget for energy research and development.

Wednesday's report was the third of four global climate reports ordered by Congress. The final study will be published later this year.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 29) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.79 3/4	2.81	2.75 3/4	2.75 3/4	2.79 3/4
Dec	2.95 3/4	2.96	2.89 3/4	2.90 1/4	2.95 1/4
Mar	3.06 1/2	3.06 1/2	3.00	3.00 1/2	3.06 1/4
May	3.11 1/2	3.11 1/2	3.06	3.06	3.12
Jly	3.15 1/2	3.16	3.11	3.11	3.16 1/2
Sep	3.22	3.22	3.16	3.16	3.20
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.54 3/4	2.55 1/2	2.49 3/4	2.50	2.53 3/4
Dec	2.43 1/4	2.44	2.37 1/2	2.37 3/4	2.43 1/4
Mar	2.51 3/4	2.51 3/4	2.45 3/4	2.46	2.51 3/4
May	2.58	2.58 1/4	2.53	2.53	2.58 1/2
Jly	2.61 3/4	2.62	2.57	2.57	2.62 1/2
Sep	2.57 1/4	2.57 1/2	2.55 1/2	2.55 1/2	2.57 1/2
Dec	2.56 3/4	2.58 1/2	2.55 1/2	2.55 1/2	2.57 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.08 1/4	1.08 1/2	1.04 3/4	1.04 3/4	1.08 1/2
Dec	1.20 1/2	1.20 3/4	1.17 3/4	1.17 3/4	1.21 1/4
Mar	1.32 1/2	1.32 1/2	1.29 1/2	1.29 1/2	1.33 1/4
May	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.35	1.35 3/4	1.39
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	6.19	6.20 1/2	6.05	6.05 1/4	6.19 3/4
Nov	6.34	6.35	6.19	6.19 1/2	6.34 1/2
Jan	6.47	6.48 1/2	6.32 1/2	6.33 3/4	6.48 1/4
Mar	6.60	6.62	6.45 1/2	6.46	6.60 1/2

May	6.70	6.70	6.53	6.53 1/2	6.69 3/4
Jly	6.75	6.75 1/2	6.60	6.60 1/4	6.75 3/4
Nov	6.33 1/2	6.34	6.26 1/2	6.26 3/4	6.33 3/4

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Sep	24.32	24.45	24.08	24.11	24.32
Oct	24.28	24.42	24.00	24.05	24.27
Dec	24.32	24.46	24.01	24.03	24.32
Jan	24.45	24.52	24.15	24.15	24.40
Mar	24.55	24.68	24.30	24.30	24.50
May	24.70	24.80	24.45	24.46	24.65
Jly	24.60	24.60	24.50	24.52	24.77
Aug	24.55	24.60	24.10	24.15	24.60
Sep	24.30	24.30	23.90	23.97	24.40
Oct	24.10	24.10	23.70	23.37	24.05

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	180.80	180.80	176.50	176.60	180.40
Oct	182.30	182.50	178.60	178.80	182.40
Dec	186.50	187.00	182.50	182.70	186.60
Jan	188.00	188.30	184.20	184.20	188.30
Mar	191.00	191.00	187.10	187.10	191.50
May	192.00	192.00	189.30	189.50	192.70
Jly	193.50	193.50	190.50	190.70	193.80
Aug	192.50	192.50	190.00	190.00	192.20
Sep	191.00	191.00	188.00	190.00	192.00

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RAMSTEIN, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 29) UPI - A U.S. military transport plane helping supply American troops in the Persian Gulf crashed early Wednesday killing 13 U.S. servicemen, including nine reservists from Texas.

The other four servicemen aboard the plane were injured.

The C-5 transporter crashed about 12:30 a.m. and caught fire in a wooded area shortly after takeoff from the U.S. military base of Ramstein in western West Germany, said spokesman Doug Moore. The cause was not immediately known and military officials were investigating.

The plane was headed to another base in Frankfurt before flying to the Persian Gulf to deliver food, medical supplies and maintenance equipment to U.S. troops leading the multinational force deployed after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, the spokesman said.

Thirteen of the 17 aboard were killed, the spokesman said. The four injured servicemen were taken to the Landstuhl Army Medical Hospital near

Ramstein, a hospital spokesman said.

''It's been a shock to everybody here,'' said Staff Sgt. Timothy Warren, a spokesman for the all-reserve 433rd Military Airlift Wing, based at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio.

The nine Texans were assigned to the 433rd, and, rather than wait for a call-up, had volunteered their services in support of Operation Desert Shield.

The aircraft was attached to the 60th Military Airlift Wing, Travis Air Force Base, Calif., but the flight crew was from the 433rd. Ten on board the plane were from the 433rd.

Names of the victims from the 433rd were being withheld until relatives could be notified.

Rescuers said it took about an hour to put out the flames and then dense fog hampered efforts to find victims. The Air Force said it took almost 12 hours to find the body of the 13th victim in the crash of the C-5 Galaxy, the largest non-Soviet military transport plane in the world.

The Pentagon had not disclosed how many of the victims were from the 433rd but a spokeswoman at Ramstein said 10 of those aboard were from Kelly. ''One can safely assume that the seven others are assigned in Europe,'' she said.

Another spokesman for the 433rd, Maj. Meade Warthen, said, ''We have a team of officers who are notifying (family members). We're all stunned and in mourning.''

The 433rd was not among the reserve units called up by the Pentagon but more than 200 of its members had been working on a voluntary basis in support of Operation Desert Shield since Aug. 8.

The reservists have been transporting troops and cargo to Saudi Arabia, as well as repairing incoming C-5As involved in the massing of U.S. troops in the Middle East.

Ground crews assigned to the wing have been working 24-hour shifts since Aug. 5, repairing and maintaining incoming planes for quick departures.

The aging 15-plane C-5A fleet assigned to the 433rd has had few mechanical problems. ''It's a large operation and things have gone very well,'' reserve Col. Mahlon Stief said about the Galaxy, which is capable of carrying 85 tons of cargo.

The U.S. European Command announced Wednesday that units, aircraft and

helicopters based in West Germany were being sent to Saudi Arabia ''to support the U.S. Central Command in Operation Desert Shield.''

The C-5 that crashed came down about 5 miles from the largest U.S chemical weapons depot in West Germany, even as 400 tons of chemical weapons are being removed from the depot to be destroyed on a Pacific island.

A parliamentarian from the opposition West German Social Democratic Party called on the government in Bonn to ban all flights from Ramstein while chemical weapons are being transported in the vicinity.

He said ''one dare not think what would have happened'' if the plane had crashed a few seconds later, said Rose Goette.

The last accident involving the U.S. Air Force in West Germany occurred June 6 when an F-16 jet fighter collided with a glider, killing the glider pilot.

On Aug. 28, 1988, 70 people were killed and 450 injured at the Ramstein base when an Italian plane plowed into a crowd during an air show.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Sharply higher in light trading.

Bonds - Mostly lower.

American Stocks - Sharply higher in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in dull trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed sharply lower in moderate trading.

Dollar - Close higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Mostly lower.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 2 to 5 3/4, soybeans off 7 to 16 1/4, wheat off 4 to 6 and oats off 3 1/4 to 3 3/4.

Cattle trade - Steers and heifers fairly active to 25 cents lower, slaughter cows $1.00 to $2.00 lower: Top $76.25.

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FORT BRAGG, NC (AUG. 29) UPI - Military prosecutors Wednesday rested their case against a Fort Bragg soldier charged with killing a Panamanian man during a firefight at an Army checkpoint during the invasion of Panama last December.

Prosecutors concluded their case after the jury of eight noncommissioned and commissioned officers heard soldiers testify that they felt threatened by the Panamanian even though he was wounded.

Master Sgt. Roberto Enrique Bryan, a member of the 82nd Airborne Division, is charged with unpremeditated murder in the shooting of the Panamanian during the U.S. action that led to the overthrow of strongman Manuel Noriega.

PFC David Erwin told jurors he felt threatened when a hand grenade exploded at the checkpoint where the shooting took place, wounding 10 U.S. soldiers. He said he responded with force as instructed.

''I got up when the grenade went off,'' Erwin said. ''I was about 10 feet from the grenade. I got up and started firing.''

Erwin, who was in the back of a truck during the blast, said he administered first aid to a soldier wounded by the grenade, and then heard someone shout that one of the Panamanians was moving.

Mark Waple, Bryan's civilian lawyer, asked Erwin if he felt threatened during the incident.

''Yes,'' Erwin said, ''and our prior instructions were if we felt threatened, use force.''

During cross-examination Tuesday, Lt. Brandon Thomas, an eyewitness whose complaint led to the charges against Bryan, said the Panamanian had no head or arm wounds before Bryan shot him.

But Staff Sgt. James Anthony Miller, a medic, said the man shot by Bryan had several wounds, including severe wounds around the armpit.

He said he considered the Panamanian a threat during the incident, which he described as ''utter chaos,'' and Bryan reacted instantly by firing his weapon.

Specialist Allen Spillman told the military court that he saw the man move before Bryan fired.

''He was reaching one hand toward his shirt pocket,'' Spillman said. ''I yelled 'one is still moving.' Bryan looked over to see which one moved. He determined the right one and fired.''

He also testifed there had been friction between Thomas and Bryan and described their relationship as unfriendly.

If convicted, Bryan could face life imprisonment. The unpremeditated murder charge against Bryan is the first of its kind since the Vietnam War.

The shooting took place Dec. 23 after five Panamanians drove to a checkpoint manned by U.S. troops. The soldiers say the Panamanians were ordered out but refused to cooperate before throwing a grenade.

Ten U.S. soldiers were injured and four of the Panamanians were killed in the ensuing firefight.

A criminal investigator, Special Agent Ron Kiufer, said he questioned Bryan about the shooting three days after the Dec. 23 shooting.

''He (Bryan) said the Panamanian was reaching for a M-16A rifle,'' Kiufer said. ''There was no mention of a grenade. However, all other testimony indicated they thought the Panamanian was reaching underneath his body for a grenade.''

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - Yields rose on 5-year notes Wednesday to an average of 8.57 percent, the highest since 8.72 percent on May 25, 1989, the Treasury Department said.

The government said it auctioned $8.56 billion of the 8 1/2 percent interest rate notes at an average of $99.644 with 100 equaling the face value and one point representing $10 on each $1,000 investment.

At the last auction May 24, the average yield was 8.54 percent.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Gold futures closed 10 points lower to 30 points higher Wednesday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Aug	388.50	388.50	383.50	385.30	385.00
Sep	387.00	383.50	383.50	385.50	385.50
Oct	389.50	390.50	384.50	387.90	387.90
Dec	394.00	395.30	389.50	392.70	392.80
Feb	399.30	399.80	394.00	396.90	396.90
Apr	402.50	402.50	399.50	401.00	401.00
Jun	407.00	406.00	402.40	405.50	405.50
Aug	411.20	409.00	409.00	409.70	409.70
Oct	415.90	....	....	414.40	414.40
Dec	420.60	418.00	418.00	419.10	419.10
Feb	425.70	....	....	424.20	424.20
Apr	430.60	....	....	429.10	429.10

Open interest: 129,491 off 4,536.
Estimated sales: 60,000 contracts.

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WAKEFIELD, Mass. (AUG. 29) UPI - Flags were lowered to half-staff Wednesday as family members and friends buried a 19-year-old sailor killed last week in an electrical accident aboard a Navy cruiser in the Persian Gulf.

Daniel M. Jones, an engineering mate third class aboard the USS Antietam, was laid to rest with full military honors. He was killed Aug. 21 aboard the Aegis Class cruiser based in Port Long Beach, Calif.

At First Baptist Church, across Commons Street from a memorial for residents of the Boston suburb who died serving their country, the Rev. William Keach said there were no easy answers to the sailor's death.

The pastor told 400 relatives and friends to ''remember that God has lost a son. The nation has lost a son, too.''

A military honor guard lined the church steps and carried the coffin of Jones, who joined the Navy 14 months ago. His mother, Arlene, was supported by her husband, Leith Jones., and another son, Leith Jr.

At Forest Glade Cemetery, Jones's parents were too shaken to accept the American flag that covered the casket. His father wailed, ''For God and country'' but did not touch the flag, which a naval officer held out to them. It was accepted by Jones's sister, Alicia.

One friend, who played frequently with Jones when they were in high school called the young sailor ''brave and full of energy. He would test himself at play.''

Jones was the second U.S. serviceman killed in the Mideast since Operation Desert Shield began.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - Despite its flaw, the Hubble Space Telescope has discovered an unusually dense galaxy that could contain a mysterious black hole and an unexpected ring around an exploded star, NASA announced Wednesday.

The new discoveries demonstrate the $1.5 billion telescope can perform valuable science until its embarrassing blurry vision can be corrected, said NASA project scientist Edward Weiler.

''We've always talked about (the telescope) giving us discoveries and the unexpected. In terms of that, I think the dream is still alive,'' Weiler said at a news conference televised from the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md..

The telescope's wide-field planetary camera captured an image Aug. 17 of what was considered a ''rather boring'' galaxy located about 40 million light years away from Earth.

Astronomers were surprised to find the galaxy, known as NGC 7457, had a core that is the second most dense ever seen, said Tod Lauer of the National Optical Astronomy Observatory.

The core of the galaxy apparently contains at least 30,000 closely packed suns, which is 400 times denser than astronomers could tell from images taken by telescopes on Earth, Lauer said.

''This is vastly denser than we would have expected this galaxy to be,'' Lauer said. ''This is very interesting to me because it's a lot more concentrated than we would have expected these galaxies to be.''

Although the galaxy's core could contain a long-sought black hole, the scientists said it was premature to make that conclusion.

Black holes are formations astronomers theorize exist that contain a huge amount of mass compacted into an extremely small area, making its pull of gravity so strong that nothing, not even light, can escape.

''This image ... is certainly not inconsistent with a black hole. However it's not inconsistent with other explanations,'' Weiler said. But he added ''It's either a black hole or a place you would not want to live.''

On Aug. 23, the telescope's faint object camera took an image of supernova 1987a, a star that exploded about 160,000 light years from Earth in February 1987.

The image showed that the star was unexpectedly surrounded by a ring of hot material, said Duccio Macchetto of the European Space Agency, which built the camera.

''We knew that there should be some material around this star. But what we did not expect to see was a ring as we see here,'' he said. ''We have found something that we didn't know was there.''

Nino Panagia of the European Space Agency said that in ''trying to make sense out of this beautiful image'' scientists believe the ring formed during the last 1 million years before the star exploded and was later compressed.

''In this one single image we have the complete evolution of that star in the last million years. That makes it very, very important,'' he said.

Officials plan to release more scientific data collected by the telescope on Sept. 19 at the Space Telescope Science Institute in Baltimore.

''Today's two images were appetizers and hopefully that will be the main course,'' Weiler said.

The telescope was expected to answer profound questions about the universe by peering deep into the univere with advanced optic system from a perch high above Earth's obscuring atmosphere.

But about a month after the long-awaited observatory was ferried into space in April, officials discovered one of its supposedly perfect mirrors was curved incorrectly, preventing sunlight from focusing sharply.

The defect, combined with other problems, triggered a storm of criticism against NASA, even though officials said it could still conduct valuable research and could be fixed when a camera is replaced in 1993.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold

London	
Previous close fix	382.37 off 28.63
Morning fixing	389.10 up 6.73
Afternoon fixing	384.30 up 1.93
Close	385.37 up 3.00
Paris	391.70 off 3.00
Zurich	385.50 off 1.50
Hong Kong	389.50 off 3.50
New York	
Comex spot close	385.30 up 0.30
Republic cash	385.75 up 1.00
Handy and Harman	384.30 off 3.95

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 385.60 off 3.96 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 404.88 off 4.16 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.826 off 0.014
Republic cash	4.84 off 0.025

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.81 per fine ounce unchanged

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.845 up 0.01 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.184 up 0.011

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 485.00 off 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 585.00 off 2.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 113.25 up 1.75 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 128.25 up 1.75.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 36 to 42 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	11.46	11.49	10.94	11.05	11.47
Mar	11.17	11.19	10.67	10.80	11.20
May	11.16	11.16	10.70	10.83	11.19
Jly	11.15	11.15	10.75	10.83	11.19
Oct	11.14	11.14	10.94	10.94	11.27

Estimated sales: 30,171 contracts
Open interest: 121,983 off 362
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.03

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 1 point higher to 6 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.39	23.39	23.35	23.39	23.39
Jan	23.14	23.12	23.10	23.12	23.12
Mar	22.98	22.98	22.98	22.97	22.96
May	22.98	22.98	22.98	22.97	22.96
Jly	23.02	23.02	23.01	23.01	23.01
Sep	22.96	22.96	22.96	22.96	23.01
Nov	22.76	22.76	22.76	22.76	22.82

Estimated sales: 594 contracts
Open interest: 10,381 up 106

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LA PALMA, CA (AUG. 29) UPI - The high-technology industry was shaken Wednesday by word that a Southern California inventor had received a patent for the microprocessor, the chip that made the personal computer revolution possible.

After a 20-year battle with the U.S. Patent Office, Gilbert Hyatt, an independent inventor from Orange County, Calif., received a patent for a single-chip computer July 17.

In a release Wednesday, Hyatt claimed to have invented the microprocessor, a computer on a chip, in 1968, five years before engineers at Texas Instruments Inc. and Intel Corp. received the earliest microprocessor patents.

Hyatt said he hoped to earn royalties from the patent to support his research. If his patent stands up under challenge, Hyatt could be entitled to vast royalty payments from the $5 billion-a-year microprocessor industry, analysts and patent attorneys said.

But attorneys cautioned that the scope of Hyatt's patent has yet to be determined.

Although it appeared to be very broad, Stuart Lubitz, a Los Angeles patent attorney who specializes in semiconductor and computer patents, said he doubted Hyatt would ever receive large royalties from it. Others said the patent would likely be challenged in court if Hyatt tried to seek large compensation.

''Depending on what companies find in the patent, we could be talking about a figure bigger than the record California lottery jackpot, or we could be talking about nothing,'' Willis Higgins, a Palo Alto, Calif., patent attorney, said.

A spokeswoman for Intel, a leading microprocessor manufacturer, had no comment on Hyatt's patent.

Hyatt, 52, filed a patent application for the microprocessor in 1970. After two denials and two apppeals, the U.S. Patent Office issued Gilbert a patent for a ''single-chip integrated circuit computer architecture'' last month.

Silicon Valley patent attorneys said Hyatt's patent appeared on its face to be very broad and could cover virtually all types of microprocessors. If so, Gilbert would be entitled to royalties for all microprocessors manufactured for 17 years after the patent was issued.

The microprocessor's invention paved the way for invention of the pocket calculator, the personal computer and a host of other products. Microprocessors are found today in everything from automobiles to videotape cassette recorders.

Hyatt, who works as an aerospace consultant, said he would invest any money he received from the new patent in research to improve America's technology base.

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DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AUG. 29) UPI - Military information officers rushed to make tapes and transcripts of President Bush's radio pep talk to American forces Wednesday because most troops deployed in Saudi Arabia did not hear the address.

''It is an unfortunate thing that Armed Forces Radio and Television Services have not yet caught up with us, but we will get it out there,'' said Capt. Michael Sherman, head of the U.S. military's media operations in the Saudi kingdom.

Sherman said most of the troops currently in the Gulf region missed Bush's speech but that copies would be made and distributed soon.

''We are making duplicates and we are making sure that the kids in the field get a chance to listen to it, when and where it comes,'' Sherman said.

Some officers managed to catch the live broadcast at the U.S. Consulate and through a transmission received by a visiting Cable News Network television crew.

''It gave me goosebumps,'' said Maj. Mark Hughes. ''It was simple, to the point and heartwarming. It is a lot more morale-boosting to hear the president's voice so there is a major push to get the tapes out into the field.''

In his his broadcast, the president said, ''Today in the tradition of two centuries behind you, you stand on the front line against aggression and international lawlessless.''

''We've never sought conflict, nor do we hope to chart a course for other nations, but at the hands of injustice, in the face of aggression, ours is a once reluctant fist now clenched resolutely,'' Bush said.

One marine said he appreciated Bush's message, but expected more.

''It didn't say anything interesting, like we are going to war, or anything like that,'' said the private, who asked not to be identified.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - The Baghdad government says it will take time to act on a promise by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to release Western women and children. Iraq's interior minister says it has NOT received instructions yet to issue exit visas. In Washington, the State Department called in Iraq's ambassador to get clarification on the announcement on women and children leaving Iraq. He told reporters- quoting now- ''it will take time to make arrangements.''

President Bush told American forces that the military now has a fist clenched resolutely against Iraq. But officials say only a ''small percentage'' of troops in the field heard the live Armed Forces Radio broadcast today. A U-S Central Command spokesman reports that sites in Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and aboard U-S Naval vessels were linked to the speech. But he says that as far as troops are concerned, ''very few could have heard the president live.'' The White House says recordings will be made available later to U-S servicemen.

Lawmakers in Soviet Armenia declared a state of emergency throughout the southern republic after a parliament deputy was killed on his way to meet leaders of a vigilante army. Officials closed roads leading to the capital at Yerevan as armed units of rival groups clashed in the city. The Armenia legislature imposed a night-time curfew and warned that the K-G-B and militiamen will begin to disarm vigilantes if they fail to surrender their weapons.

In Moscow, the most powerful men in the Soviet Union held lengthy face-to-face talks today to try to bury their differences and chart a common course for the future. President Gorbachev and Boris Yeltsin met in a five-hour summit. A newly appointed Soviet presidential spokesman told reporters that the talks were held in a ''constructive, friendly atmosphere.''

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - After about 24 hours of confusion and uncertainty, Iraqi authorities Wednesday gave instructions on how foreign women and children detained in Iraq and Kuwait should go about leaving.

The State Department, which received the instructions through its Baghdad embassy, cautioned that there was still no certainty that the Iraqis will follow through on their earlier announcement that women and children

''guests'' would be allowed to leave as a gesture of humanity by President Saddam Hussein.

The Iraqi ambassador to Washington, Mohamed al-Mashat, offered the prospect of a wider solution to the hostage crisis by suggesting that men ''guests'' would also be permitted to leave if the United States gave an assurance that it would not attack Iraq.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said the Iraqi Foreign Ministry said that the women and children would be allowed to leave as soon as transportation arrangements could be worked out.

She said each woman and child would require an exit visa. As part of their instructions, the Iraqis asked for a list of the names of the American women and children who would be applying for exit visas.

Speaking to reporters, Mashat said Iraq is willing to negotiate an end to the crisis and added that ''everything is on the table,'' but he cautioned there must be no preconditions, including a demand for the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

Tutwiler, while not directly giving such an assurance of non- aggression, reminded reporters of President Bush's statement that U.S. forces are in the Middle East to deter an attack and to defend Saudi Arabia.

The State Department estimates that about one-third of the approximately 3,000 Americans in Kuwait and Iraq are women, 25 of whom are pregnant, and children under 18, including 60 infants.

The Iraqi Foreign Ministry said that the new guidelines would be in effect as of Wednesday, but they did not say how long it would take to issue the exit visas.

The Iraqis, in retaliation for Monday's U.S. order to cut back the size of its Washington embassy to 19 diplomats, ordered the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad to be cut to the same number of personnel.

But it was not clear from the wording of the Iraqi order when that cut must be made and whether the extra diplomats present would be allowed to leave the Iraq or would be detained with the other 600 Americans in the country.

The State Department said there are approximately 70 Americans known to be detained by Iraqi authorities. The others are free to move around the city.

The Iraqi authorities agreed to have a Western physician present Friday at the autopsy of an American businessman who apparently died of a heart attack Tuesday while in Iraqi custody in Basra.

At the request of the man's family, his name was not released.

Tutwiler said Iraq's response to a request for 15 medical har?Po3/4 to leave was an offer of medical examinations and medicine, if available.

Tutwiler denied categorically the report that there was any ''back-channel'' negotiation going on between the United States and Iraq, but she responded indirectly to the idea, put forward publicly by al-Mashat Wednesday, that the men hostages be permitted to leave in exchange for a non-aggression pledge by the United States.

''We reject any notion that there should be any conditions attached to the immediate safe departure of all foreign nationals, including Americans who wish to depart from Iraq and Kuwait,'' Tutwiler said.

''However, as a separate matter, I would reiterate what the president has said since the beginning of this crisis, and that is that U.S. forces are being sent to the region to deter further Iraqi aggression and to defend themselves if attacked.''

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RALEIGH, NC (AUG. 29) UPI - Nations stressed by the Persian Gulf oil crisis should turn to existing technology to convert agricultural wastes, city garbage and wood into new energy sources, a North Carolina scientist said Wednesday.

Irving Goldstein, a paper and wood science professor at N.C. State University, said that in the face of uncertain oil supplies in the Middle East and depleting fossil fuels, developed nations should turn to biomass - wood, agricultural residues and solid waste - as an energy source.

Technology to convert the biomass materials would help nations in their battle against pollution and boost their energy resources, said Goldstein, who presented a paper on the subject to the American Chemical Society in Washington.

In the United States, which relies on foreign countries for 60 percent of its oil, about two billion tons of biomass are available each year for conversion to fuel or to chemicals for making other products, said Goldstein.

Biomass could meet ''a modest proportion of our fuel needs,'' he said, and be ''much more than enough to meet our needs for chemicals and materials '' including clothing, plastics, glues, rubber and carpeting.

Biomass also is a reliable source because it is constantly being generated Goldstein said.

''We don't have enough biomass to subsist on entirely,'' he said. ''But we could certainly help ourselves out a lot, ameliorate some of our pollution problems and create new jobs in this country in the process.''

The United States has been slow to employ biomass for energy and other products mainly as a matter of convenience, Goldstein said. Solid waste collection, transportation and process can be appear more bothersome and costly than the use of natural gas and petroleum, he said.

But changes in governmental policy as a result of an oil crisis and enviornmental problems, such as acid rain, smog and a lack of landfill space, may encourage biomass production, Goldstein said.

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#90241u1391 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA (AUG. 29) UPI - Alaska voters selected a liberal Democrat and a moderate Republican while rejecting conservative candidates for governor in primary election results tallied Wednesday.

A measure to legalize casino gambling lost by a large margin.

In the Democratic race, former Anchorage Mayor Tony Knowles, 47, campaigned on ''quality of life'' issues to defeat two-term Lt. Gov. Stephen McAlpine, 41, who championed economic development of the country's biggest oil-producing state.

Knowles characterized his win as a victory for lifestyle issues and environmental values over single-issue pro-development forces.

McAlpine had support from organized labor and a significant segment of the oil industry. In the final days of the campaign, McAlpine sought to drum up more support from conservatives and economic boomers by trying to lure Republican voters to his camp since Alaska's open primary lets voters ignore party designation in choosing candidates for office.

In the November general election, Knowles will face moderate Republican state Sen. Arliss Sturgulewski, 62, seeking to become Alaska's first woman governor. Sturgulewski beat businessman James Campbell, 57, and state Sen. Rick Halford, 45, both staunch conservatives.

Democrats selected an Eskimo, 49-year-old Willie Hensley, to run for lieutenant governor with Knowles. Republicans chose state Sen. Jack Coghill, 65, a sourdough politician from territorial days, to run with Sturgulewski.

Nearly two-thirds of the voters rejected an initiative that would have made all types of gambling legal throughout Alaska. There were 82,253 votes against gambling and 45,035 in favor. Gambling proponents said it would give the state an economic boost, but opponents said it would drastically alter the character of the Last Frontier and bring crime and corruption.

McAlpine supported the gambling measure and Knowles fought it. McAlpine said that cost him votes, but Knowles said he won because of grass-roots support in the Alaska bush and because he embraced an Alaska lifestyle theme while McAlpine stressed economic development in the oil state.

''People have a whole set of values,'' Knowles said. ''We all have environmental values. There is no one that is just pro-business. We all need to earn and have a job and want an opportunity to get ahead. But Alaskans are multi-dimensional people and they have many values. And that's why I went after quality of life as a theme.''

Knowles won with 32,157 votes, 25 percent, to McAlpine's 24,934 votes, 19.4 percent.

Sturgulewski had 24,317 votes, 18.9 percent, to 16.6 percent for Campbell and 16 percent for Halford.

Alaska Gov. Steve Cowper, who stayed out of the campaign, decided against running for a second term. He defeated Sturgulewski in her first bid for governor in 1986.

In two congressional races, incumbent Republicans trounced long- shot challengers. Sen. Ted Stevens, in what he considered his first serious primary challenge since 1972, defeated school teacher Bob Bird, who picked up 26 percent of the vote running on an anti-abortion platform. Stevens faces token Democratic opposition in November.

Rep. Don Young will face Democrat John Devens, former mayor of Valdez, in the race for Alaska's only House seat.

Almost half of Alaska's 283,827 voters went to the polls Tuesday. Remote precincts in the Alaska bush still had not reported results by Wednesday afternoon, but the totals represented 98 percent of the vote.

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PASADENA, CA (AUG. 29) UPI - NASA hopes to solve the mysterious glitches that have plagued the Magellan space probe and begin mapping the shrouded, hellish surface of Venus by the end of September, an official said

Wednesday.

''What we have done is to put together a schedule which leads to us beginning late in the month of September,'' said NASA spokesman Stephen Wall.

''We will now take that schedule, go through some reviews to make sure with our experts that that's the proper course of action to take and will go from there to getting back to mapping,'' he said.

The space probe went into orbit around Venus Aug. 10 and officials hoped begin a 243-day, $550 million project Sept. 1 to map Venus using Megallan's advanced radar system to pierce the clouds obscuring the surface.

Scientists hope to learn more about what created the harsh Venusian environment to understand more about Venus and perhaps Earth's environment.

But ground controllers 150 million miles away at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory lost contact with the probe Aug. 16 during testing.

Data indicates something unknown interfered with a critical internal signal on the craft called the ''heartbeat,'' the probe became confused - perhaps by a cosmic ray - and mistakenly pointed its antenna away from Earth.

Contact was restored the next day when the craft automatically began a safety procedure that involved scanning space for Earth.

But contact was again lost Aug. 21 for another 17 tense hours, during which engineers later learned the probe burned an unusual amount of fuel and apparrently to shifted back and forth nine times for an unknown reason.

Officials are studying data from the probe's memory to try to identify the cause of the problems and are taking steps to ensure the probe's safety and make sure they can regain contact if the problem recurs.

In the meantime, scientists are excited about the small amount of data they collected before contact was lost, which revealed a planet wracked by volcanos, valleys, giant fault systems and craters.

''We've really gotten a wealth of information out of that bit of data that we've gotten so far,'' said project scientist Stephen Saunders.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - The Treasury Department said Wednesday that all

federal government checks issued more than a year ago must be cashed by the end of September, as required by a new law.

A ''grace period'' for checks issued before Oct. 1, 1989, when the law took effect, will end Sept. 30.

''The one-year deadline does not affect the government's liability,'' the department said. ''But once government checks are cancelled, individuals must go to the authorizing federal agency to ''al agency to

The government issues more than 500 million checks each year.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - The Federal Trade Commission Wednesday warned investors about the risks of rare-coin funds and partnerships, a market it said raises troublesome and unanswered questions about coin grading and liquidity.

''Major brokers, relying on rosy reports from Salomon Brothers and the claims of rare-coin grading services about objectivity, liquidity and the safety of rare-coin investments, are making a major push into rare coins '' said Barry J. Cutler, director of the FTC's Bureau of Consumer Protection.

''Limited partnerships in the $50 million range are available,'' he noted at the annual meeting of the American Numismatic Association in Seattle, last week.

While Cutler recognized that honest and knowledgeable dealers could make rare-coin funds and partnerships profitable, he cautioned that there is ''a certain inherent subjectivity between graders, and between different grading services, whose grades for the same coin often result in very different price quotations.''

He also said that the FTC is concerned about the liquidity of large limited partnerships in rare coins that pose ''troublesome'' unanswered questions.

''It is hard enough for an individual investor to obtain a good price on a single coin that must be liquidated through a dealer,'' Cutler explained. ''We have little idea what will happen when brokers try to liquidate a $50 million portfolio in a short amount of time.''

''So long as grading and pricing remain somewhat subjective and open to manipulation, and auctions are open to dealer and auction house practices

that would mislead the average investor, the rare-coin market will remain one of great upside potential and even greater downside risk,'' Cutler said.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - Here is a roundup of top events Tuesday in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

UNDATED - Iraq said Wednesday it will "take time" to honor its promise to release Western women and children, as President Saddam Hussein indicated Tuesday he would do. Western countries were making plans to evacuate some of their nationals by air.

Iraqi Ambassador Mohammed al-Mashat was called to the State Department to clarify the announcement and he also said Western men would be released if the United States promises not to attack Iraq.

He also said Iraq is ready to negotiate "but without preconditions." He said the demand by Western nations that Iraq leave Kuwait would be a precondition.

UNITED NATIONS - Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar left Wednesday for Jordan to meeting Iraq's foreign minister, hoping to find a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Perez de Cuellar will meet Tariq Aziz in Amman Thursday in the first diplomatic move by the United Nations since Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

WASHINGTON - President Bush has offered to sell Saudi Arabia advanced warplanes, tanks and anti-aircraft missiles to beef up its defenses against the increased threat from Iraq. White House spokesman Roman Popadiuk said Bush has informed Congress of the possible sale of 24 F-15 fighters, 150 M-60 tanks, 200 Stinger anti-aircraft missiles and several thousand tank-killing depleted uranium shells.

WASHINGTON - President Bush told American troops in the Middle East and elsewhere that the U.S. military "is a once reluctant fist now clenched resolutely" against Iraqi aggression in the Persian Gulf. In a broadcast over the Armed Forces Radio, the president said, "Today ... you stand on the front line against aggression and international lawlessless."

PHILADELPHIA - A Quaker group is being flooded with telephone calls from soldiers who never expected to go to war when they joined up but are now afraid they will be asked to fight. An official of the pacifist religious group said "Nobody who calls here is gung-ho. Most people are fairly desperate."

TOKYO - Japan will contribute medical personnel and civilian aircraft to the multinational force confronting Iraq, Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu announced Wednesday night. Tokyo also will offer financial aid for affected countries in the region and refugees fleeing Iraq and Kuwait, he said.

CAIRO, EGYPT - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein may resort to terrorist attacks on U.S. targets because he has access to international terrorists, many of which live in Baghdad and owe him favors, it was speculated Wednesday.

Arab diplomats point out that it was terrorism, not military confrontation, that forced U.S. troops out of the Middle East the last time they were there in force, citing the 1983 truck bombing in Lebanon that left 241 Marines dead.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - Crew members from a U.S. destroyer boarded two commercial ships in the Red Sea Tuesday to enforce sanctions against Iraq, turning one back and allowing the other to go on its way, the Pentagon said Wednesday.

At the same time, the Defense Department denied news reports from the Persian Gulf region that U.S. warships have boarded either Iraqi or Kuwaiti-flagged vessels.

In a statement, the Pentagon said the guided-missile destroyer USS Sampson operating in the Red Sea as part of the Saratoga carrier battle group, intercepted two vessels on Tuesday and sent boarding parties aboard both.

''The first, the Kotawirami, a Sri Lankan freighter bound for Iraq carrying cargo other than medical supplies and, therefore, in violation of U.N. sanctions was boarded and then diverted,'' the statement said.

''The second, the Connie, a Liberian motor vessel carrying lube oil and vegetable oil, was boarded and allowed to proceed to its non-Iraqi destination,'' the Pentagon said.

U.S. Navy officials aboard the USS guided-missile cruiser Ticonderoga said each American warship in the area has formed a boarding party, consisting of between seven and 13 sailors who have had some previous assault training.

These parties carry M-16 rifles, shotguns, a grenade launcher and sidearms for defensive purposes.

At President Bush's direction Aug. 16, U.S. warships in the Persian Gulf, the Gulf of Oman and the Red Sea began intercepting vessels suspected of carrying oil or goods to or from Iraq.

The naval operation is attempting to enforce U.N. sanctions against Iraqi goods that were imposed following Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait.

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said Tuesday the United States has intercepted, mostly by radio contact, about 170 commercial ships in the Persian Gulf and the Red Sea. But, he said, fewer than 10 ships have been boarded by U.S. forces.

''Because of the intercept operations and because of the U.N. sanctions, shipping from Iraq has virtually come to a halt,'' Williams said. ''There is very little shipping activiting originating from Iraq - just about none.

''In terms of embargoed materials treating trans-shipment points,'' such as the Jordanian port of Aqaba, ''I believe that has virtually stopped as well,'' Williams said, calling the sanctions ''extremely successful.''

A senior Navy official, speaking to reporters Wednesday on grounds he not be identified, said the embargo was working well because most nations were obeying the U.N. sanctions against Iraqi goods.

''I suspect in time, if the blockade gets tighter and tighter, that people will try to run it, as they have historically,'' the Navy official said.

''In that case,'' he said, ''the way an interdiction normally works is you try to use the minimum force necessary, starting out with hailing, saying, 'Stop. I'm going to come aboard and look.'

''If they won't do that, then you fire a warning shot or something like that. And if you want to enforce it, then you have to use the bare minimum of force possible to not let the ship do what it wants to do. We have not reached that point in this interdiction yet,'' the senior Navy official said.

U.S. warships fired warning shots near two Iraqi oil tankers in the Persian Gulf area on Aug. 18 - before the United Nations agreed to the use of force to impose the sanctions - but those tankers ignored the warnings and kept moving. No further U.S. action was taken.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $26 to $34 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.35 to 1.05 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.75 to 1.35 cent a higher lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.25 to 0.48 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.10 an ounce to $0.30 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $1.60 to $1.90 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 5 to 5.95 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 1.40 to 1.80 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.033 to 0.042 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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MOSCOW (AUG. 29) UPI - Debate on the Soviet transition to a market economy heated up Wednesday with a top economist appointed by Mikhail Gorbachev criticizing the government for being too slow and proposing ''half-measures.''

''This involves the fate of our society, the fate of perestroika,'' Abel Aganbegyan, head of a commission on the economy appointed by Gorbachev, told reporters.

He released the commission's report calling for a radical shift away from central planning and state ownership of property.

But Gorbachev continued to sound a more cautious tone, telling the official television news show ''Vremya'' during a meeting with Boris Yeltsin Wednesday, ''If we now simply throw society to the market, that would mean not taking people into account and would exacerbate our

problems.''

Aganbegyan's 24-member commission, appointed by Gorbachev and Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov to examine different proposals for moving to a market economy, is just one of three bodies drawing up economic plans in the Soviet Union.

The economist said his results were available for use by either of the other two commissions - a government group under Ryzhkov and a joint panel set up Aug. 1 by Gorbachev and Yeltsin - but he added he had no idea what the final proposal to the national Parliament would be.

''I'm not a deputy in the Supreme Soviet Parliament. I have no post, so I don't know what will be proposed, this will depend on the presidium and on the president,'' Aganbegyan said. ''Our commission was set up to provide materials for decision making.''

Gorbachev said despite the fact that there has been some confusion over three separate commissions working on economic proposals at the same time, there would be a single plan presented to the national Parliament this fall.

Although Aganbegyan said it was not his commission's task to evaluate the work of the panels set up by Ryzhkov and Gorbachev and Yeltsin, he had strong criticism for parts of the government proposal and praise for parts of Yeltsin's 500-day program.

''We envisage most radical measures to proceed to a market economy,'' Aganbegyan said. ''Meanwhile the government program provides half-measures and does not provide for a rapid transition to a market pricing system.

''Without that (market pricing) as we all understand no market economy could exist, because the whole system of a market economy is based on the relevant pricing system.''

In May, Ryzhkov presented a plan that called for increases in state-set prices as one of the first steps in transition to a ''regulated market economy.'' That proposal was rejected by Parliament.

''This term 'regulated market' - what is it?'' Aganbegyan said. ''Is it a market or is it regulated? We want a transfer to a modern market.''

The Aganbegyan commission report advocates ''widespread privatization'' of property, saying in that area it ''actively supports'' Yeltsin's proposal for a radical shift away from state ownership.

Aganbegyan said when presenting his proposals to Ryzhkov's Council of Ministers, the ideas on privatization were opposed by an unnamed deputy

premier who argued state and collective farms should retain control of much of the farmland in the country.

''We oppose any monopoly,'' Aganbegyan said. ''But we met opposition on our suggestion to eliminate the monopoly on land by collectives and state farms.''

He also warned against the danger that government ministries, once stripped of their central command economy functions, would simply work under different names and continue to impose ''administrative slavery.''

''There is a dangerous mimicry trend,'' he said. ''A ministry may change its name but may have the same centralized functions. We oppose this.''

Aganbegyan is the former head of the economics department of the Soviet Academy of Sciences and has been a key adviser to Gorbachev on economic reform, although he holds no official position.

Leonid Abalkin, another top Soviet economist and one of several deputy premiers under Ryzhkov, defended the government in a speech published Tuesday in the official labor newspaper Trud.

He said with the removal of the Communist Party's guaranteed control of the Soviet Union and the crumbling of other structures, the government is the only body that can carry out economic reform.

''The government is still capable of keeping processes somewhat under control and of preventing powerful anti-socialist tendencies from bursting forth,'' Abalkin said. ''But everything is done to case aspersions on and overthrow this last bastion of stability.''

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DALLAS (AUG. 29) UPI - A grand jury will be asked to indict suspended Police Chief Mack Vines for lying under oath during an investigation of a police shooting, District Attorney John Vance said Wednesday.

Vance referred seven counts of aggravated perjury, a third-degree felony, to the grand jury, which will probably decide within two weeks whether to indict Vines. He has been on administrative leave since Aug. 3.

''This office intends to seek indictments and prosecute any person who has committed crimes involving acts of official public corruption, regardless of who it may be,'' said Vance.

City Manager Jan Hart suspended Vines and asked Vance to investigate charges that the chief tried to influence testimony before a panel

investigating the June 27, 1989, fatal shooting of an unarmed Mexican national.

The perjury charge carries a maximum sentence upon conviction of up to 10 years in prison and up to a $10,000 fine. Vines had no immediate comment but a few weeks ago told reporters he had no plan to resign.

Assistant Chief Gregg Holliday, who had also been suspended, told investigators Vines tried to influence his testimony concerning the ''haste'' of the investigation into the shooting by officer Patrick LeMaire, sources told the Dallas Times Herald.

LeMaire was later dismissed but was ordered rehired by a Civil Service board.

Judy Stubbs, the panel's chairwoman, said Vines denied talking to Holliday when questioned under oath but later told Hart that Holliday had ''misinterpreted'' his remarks.

Hart returned Holliday to duty Wednesday because she said the district attorney determined he was truthful with the panel.

The panel's report on the investigation itself found only that some documents had been altered, probably due to ''careless mistakes.'' The department promised to clean up those problems.

Vance said his staff agreed with the panel's conclusions that there was ''no wrongful and thus criminal intent'' on the part of any police department employee to alter investigation documents.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	55	up	1
AT&T Company	32 3-8	up	1-4
BCE Corp	32 3-8	up	1-4
Bell Atlantic	42 5-8	up	7-8
BellSouth	50 5-8	up	1-4
Exxon Corp	49 5-8	off	1-2
Ford Motor	35 7-8	unch	
Genl Electric	62 5-8	off	1-4
Genl Motor	40 5-8	up	3-8
GTE Corp	25 1-8	unch	
IBM Corp	103 3-4	up	1-8
Mobil Corp	63 3-4	up	1-2

Nynex Corp	71 1-4	up 1 1-4
Pac Gas & El	20 7-8	up 1-4
Pac Telesis	38 3-4	up 1 3-4
Phila Elec	15 1-4	up 3-8
Sears Roebuck	29 5-8	up 1-2
Southern Co	23 1-2	up 1-2
Swsren Bell	49 1-4	up 1 1-8
U S West Co	34 1-2	up 5-8

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1125.4
Tuesday	1135.2
Week ago	1123.5
Month ago	1130.7
Year ago	1101.8
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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(AUG. 29) UPI - The National Weather Service says it did NOT warn residents near Joliet, Illinois, of yesterday's tornado that killed at least two dozen people. The service says the old technology it uses canNOT predict every tornado. The center issued a watch for severe weather but gave NO word of possible twisters.

The White House says it's offering to sell Saudi Arabia advanced weapons to help it defend against possible attack from Iraq. Two dozen Faircraft missiles are to be part of the sale. The weapons would be drawn from existing U-S inventories.

U-S mail service to Iraq and Kuwait has been suspended. The U-S Postal Service announced today that it has suspended all deliveries to the two countries because of difficulties reaching them. But officials say mail destined for U-S military personnel in other areas of the Middle East should get through.

The world's major airlines today opened a three-day meeting to discuss fare increases following rising fuel costs amid the Persian Gulf crisis. Another growing cost of flying in the Mideast is insurance. The conference in Geneva, Switzerland, is expected to lead to at least a five percent fare hike world-wide by October 1st.

Officials today declared that they have contained the wildfire in Utah that killed two firefighters. Investigators are searching for whoever left a campfire believed to have sparked the blaze. The flames ate up three-thousand acres and 19 homes about 30 miles southeast of Salt Lake City.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2632.43	up	17.58
20 Trans	911.13	up	11.31
15 Utils	195.61	up	2.01
65 Stocks	909.66	up	8.01

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2632.43	up	17.58	911.13	up	11.31	195.61	up	2.01
Tuesday	2614.85	up	3.22	899.82	off	8.21	193.60	off	0.82
Week ago	2560.15	off	43.81	894.34	off	14.24	196.81	off	1.69
Month ago	2899.26	off	5.94	1090.88	off	2.55	212.90	up	2.89
Year ago	2728.15	up	1.52	1529.52	up	22.94	217.05	off	0.69
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90241u1513 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 29) UPI - President Bush ordered federal disaster aid for New Hampshire today because of severe storms and flooding earlier this month. The president's major disaster declaration makes federal funding available through the Federal Emergency Management Agency to supplement local government recovery efforts.

Police in Winona, Minnesota, say an 82-year-old man went to Winona Community Memorial Hospital early today... fatally shot his 80-year-old wife... and then himself. Both died of gunshots to the head from a .38-caliber handgun found on the floor next to the woman's bed on the surgical floor.

Weather forecasters say Hurricane Gustav's winds increased slightly today as the system continued its northward trek across the open Atlantic. Tropical Storm Hortense tagged along about one-thousand miles to the south. At last report, Gustav was centered about 690 miles southeast of Bermuda.

Former first lady Nancy Reagan had a small piece of cancerous skin surgically removed from just below her left nostril at a Mayo Clinic hospital in Rochester, Minnesota, today. The basal cell carcinoma was similar to the one Ronald Reagan had removed during his presidency.

Officials at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles revealed today that actor Raymond St. Jacques died of cancer of the lymph glands on Monday. He was 60. St. Jacques was an imposing, multi-lingual actor who appeared in the movies ''Black Like Me,'' and ''Glory'' and the T-V mini-series ''Roots.'' He also appeared nationally in theater productions of ''The Man With the Golden Arm''... ''Romeo and ''

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#90241u1516 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Wednesday - $31,250,000
1990 to date - $7,595,000,000

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#90241u1525 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - Refco Inc., a Chicago commodity trading company, agreed to pay a fine of $220,000 as part of a settlement Wednesday of a seven-count complaint filed by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

The complaint alleged that a principal member of the company, floor broker Ray Friedman, operating under an agreement with a customer for a one-year period violated speculative position limits for pork belly futures at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

In addition, Refco was accused of violating record-keeping requirements, failure to supervise its operations, and violation of cease and desist orders entered by the CFTC in 1983 and 1988. The orders involved record-keeping and supervision charges.

The CFTC announced the filing of the complaint and the settlement at same time.

In addition to paying the civil penalty, Refco agreed to undertake a

review of its procedures for supervising its employees and monitor its in-house and customer accounts to determine if they are being commonly controlled or traded pursuant to an agreement or understanding.

A written report on the review is due within 120 days.

The CFTC complaint alleged that Friedman, beginning in June 1988, traded pursuant to ''an express or implied agreement or understanding'' with a Refco customer. Friedman, of Palm Beach, Fla., was the account executive who handled the customer account.

''The proceeding is continuing as to Freidman to determine if the allegations in the complaint are true and, if so, what, if any, sanctions should be imposed,'' the CFTC said.

In the settlement, Refco did not admit or deny the allegations in the settlement but consented to a finding that it had violated the laws and CFTC rules cited in the complaint.

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#90241u1529 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 29) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	177.77	up	1.51
ASE Market Value Index	324.23	up	2.45
Dow-Jones Industrial	2632.43	up	17.58

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#90241u1533 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 11,670,000 shares

1990 to date - 2,366,700,425

Bonds - $1,970,000

1990 to date - $479,560,000

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#90241u1536 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - President Bush approved Wednesday an emergency $2.23 billion arms sale to Saudi Arabia that includes 24 F-15 Eagle fighters, 150 M-60 tanks and 200 shoulder-launched anti-aircraft Stinger missiles.

Deputy White House press secretary Roman Popadiuk said the weapons will be

drawn from existing U.S. inventories to help the Saudis immediately defend against possible Iraqi aggression.

''The 24 F-15s will be sold under presidential waiver of the 30-day congressional review period required by the Arms Export Control Act,'' the Pentagon said, meaning the sale will go through without congressional approval.

The president, who can waive the congressional review process in an emergency, also waived the 30-day congruo$w89rO for the sale of the M-60 tanks, the Pentagon said.

''We are focusing on the most critical Saudi needs - anti-tank and air defense equipment,'' the Pentagon said. ''The Saudis already have M- 60 tanks and F-15 aircraft, so they will be able to absorb this equipment quickly.''

The Saudis currently have 58 F-15s in their inventory and 550 tanks (250 of which are M-60s), while Iraq has an estimated 500 combat aircraft and 5,500 tanks.

Bush earlier waived the congressional ''Metzenbaum Amendment'' that limited the Saudis to 60 F-15s, thus freeing 12 of the jets they had already purchased but that are still in production in the United States.

The Pentagon said the new arms package includes 24 F-15s, C and D models, and Sidewinder and Sparrow air-to-air missiles for $2 billion; 150 M-60A3 tanks for $206 million; 15,000 105mm depleted-uranium anti- tank rounds for M-60 tanks for $13 million; and 50 launch tubes for Stinger missiles with 50 loads and 150 reloads (200 missiles) for $12 million.

''Current legislation would ordinarily prohibit the sale of depleted uranium ammunition and Stinger missiles to Saudi Arabia,'' the Pentagon said. ''The president therefore used his special authority under Section 614 of the Foreign Assistance Act to waive the restrictions.''

The administration also is considering subsequent sales - reported by The Washington Post to include 24 more F-15s - ''to help provide the Saudis with the force structure to help them defend themselves,'' Popadiuk told reporters.

Disclosure of the prospective arms deal followed a round of public and private consultations in Saudi Arabia and Washington, including a meeting late Tuesday between Bush and Prince Bandar bin Sultan, the Saudi ambassador to the United States.

After returning last week from a Middle East trip that included high-level talks in Saudi Arabia, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said the United

States was preparing a ''two-stage process'' of first meeting the Saudis' ''emergency needs'' and then strengthening their defense posture over the long term.

Since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the administration has considered augmenting its own show of force in the Persian Gulf area by building up the defenses of Arab countries friendly to the United States.

That has elicited a skeptical response from some members of Congress, who have warned that a broader arms race might only heighten the potential for confrontation either in the current crisis or in the future.

Given the immediacy of the problems in the gulf region, the latest proposed arms sale to Saudi Arabia may attract less opposition from Israel and its political allies than previous transfers of U.S. weaponry to Arab nations.

One element that may help minimize any security concerns by Israel is that the aircraft destined for sale to the Saudis are the older F-15C and F-15D air-to-air varieties, rather than the more sophisticated F-15E with ground-attack capability.

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#90241u1539 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks	-	134,240,000 shares
1990 to date	-	26,833,006,152
Warrants	-	1,035,200
1990 to date	-	170,562,100

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#90241u1543 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

KOLOLI, Gambia (AUG. 29) UPI - A delegation representing Liberian rebel leader Prince Johnson arrived in Gambia Wednesday to attend talks aimed at ending the 8-month civil war and called for the establishment of a security force independent of the peace-keeping troops already in the country.

The proposed force would be made up of 6,500 men from all sectors of Liberian society. It would work with Economic Community of West African States troops in Liberia to smooth the transition to a civilian government according to Prince Johnson delegation spokesman Madison Meahyen.

The proposal calls for the Economic Community of West African States troops from Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Guinea, Gambia and Ghana to leave Liberia before elections are held, possibly one year after the

establishment of the interim government.

''We do not wish to have an occupation force and the Liberian people might see ECOMOG this way,'' Meahyen said referring to the 3,000 man force from the five West African countries that is trying to impose a cease-fire in Liberia.

''We see this force as a harbinger to reinstating police, immigration and customs control. It will be the beginning of a new army,'' Meahyen added.

The proposed force would answer to an interim president the negotiatiors hope to name at the talks. It would be made up of a nucleus of Johnson guerrillas but would welcome all Liberians who wished to join.

Some reports indicated, however, that the plan also called for Prince Johnson to be named head of the new army.

Abass Bundu, Economic Community of West African States secretary general, said the proposal was not necesarily a challenge to the group's troops in Liberia.

''If the Liberian people come up with a solution to their problems today, I'm confident ECOWAS leaders will be more than happy to withdraw the force because its purpose is to assist the people of Liberia to establish the necessary conditions to return their country to normalcy,'' he said.

Although delegates to the negotiations delayed public reaction to the initiative, political observers present at the talks said it was unlikely the proposal to create a new peace force would be accepted by either President Samuel Doe or guerrilla leader Charles Taylor.

Hundreds of persons have been killed in recent months in fighting between rival tribal groups, with many members of the Gio and Mano tribes fleeing the country because Doe's troops have targeted them for reprisal massacres according to foreign observers in Liberia.

Prince Johnson, the leader of a breakaway rebel faction, said last week he was joining Doe's camp in order to prevent Taylor's National Patriotic Front guerrillas from coming to power.

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#90241u1548 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	324.23	up	2.45
High Technology	325.49	up	2.21
Capital Goods	351.41	up	1.40
Consumer Goods	392.76	up	7.98

Service	711.49	up	2.60
Retail	1050.38	up	14.10
Financial	375.50	up	3.61
Natural Resources	247.92	up	1.26
Housing-Const-Land	327.59	up	0.05

There was a gain of 8 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	408.83	up	3.46
Mid Atlantic	411.29	up	2.63
No Central	447.73	up	2.07
So Atlantic	925.46	up	14.51
So Central	318.18	up	4.61
Mountain	114.44	up	1.79
Pacific	377.85	up	3.18
Foreign	246.05	up	0.80

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#90241u1554 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 29) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.73 3/4, off 5.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.05 1/4-6.05 1/2, off 14 1/2-16.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.50- 2.55, off 1 3/4-3.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.62 3/4-2.70 3/4, off 2 1/2 to up 1.

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#90241u1557 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (AUG. 29) UPI - French farmers, upset about low crop prices and food imports, Wednesday released sheep in the European Parliament building and clashed with police in demonstrations across the country, police reported. At least five people, four of them policemen, were seriously injured, authorities said.

The farmers blocked the main national highway in the Burgundy region southeast of Paris and set up more than 50 other roadblocks on smaller

roads. Railroad lines, including the high-speed TGV train, were cut with stacks of hay, delaying trains for 30 minutes.

In Rouen on the River Seine east of Paris, riot police fired tear gas and charged 400 farmers who had gathered in front of the local administrative building.

In the city of Angers, 179 miles southwest of Paris, police with water cannons attacked more than 1,000 farmers after they ignored orders to disperse. Three policeman were seriously injured in clashes with ranchers in Evreux in the Normandy region northwest of Paris, according to police.

In Alencon, a policeman was hit and seriously injured by a paving stone during a confrontation with 600 protesters, and a farmer was hospitalized after being hit by a tear gas canister.

Other farmers were able to introduce a small number of sheep into the lobby of the European Parliament building in Strasbourg in eastern France despite a heavy police presence around the complex.

The farmers were protesting the low price of meat on the French market and the influx of agricultural imports from other European countries, including Bulgaria and East Germany.

The demonstrators also demanded that the government institute price supports to help them face losses caused by an unusually long dry spell that has forced many farmers to slaughter cattle for lack of water, resulting in an excess of meat and lower prices.

Raymond Lacombe, president of the French Farmer's Association, said Wednesday's protest was only the start of a long battle that would continue throughout the Fall. He threatened to block all roads in France in the future if a solution to the crisis is not forthcoming.

"The government has found financial solutions to resolve other crises, especially in the industrial area," he said alluding to widespread calls from the agricultural community for the government to support higher meat prices.

Lacombe suggested that East Germany's excess meat production be shipped to countries outside the European Economic Community. His suggestion appears to have been heard because Agriculture Minister Henri Nallet said the government had been assured by the EC and West Germany that surplus East German meat would be sent to the Soviet Union and Third World countries. Nallet said recent beef imports from East Germany had totalled less than 5,000 tons a month.

The Agriculture Minister also said he favored aiding the farmers by

advancing compensation payments for losses suffered because of the drought but added that no decisions had been made. "The government does not want to minimize this crisis," he said.

French farmers have turned to increasingly violent and ugly protests in recent weeks in the hope of making an impact on the government and on French public opinion. In one of the worst cases, a truck carrying sheep was set on fire last week, burning the animals to death.

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#90241u1559 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 29) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Wednesday - 7,974,000

1990 to date - 1,715,015,000

The market closed higher.

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#90241u1572 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 324.28, low 321.72, close 324.23, up 2.45.

There was a gain of 8 cents in the average share price.

Volume 11,670,000 shares, compared with 10,280,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	1
New Lows	33
Advances	354
Declines	220
Unchanged	214
Total Issues	788

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#90241u1584 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.22	off 0.08
10 Public Utils	89.79	off 0.17

10 Industrials	88.65	unchanged

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#90241u1591 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2608.66	2651.24	2596.53	2632.43	up 17.58
20 Trans	898.91	917.52	893.61	911.13	up 11.31
15 Utils	193.60	196.68	192.97	195.61	up 2.01
65 Stock	900.19	915.87	895.92	909.66	up 8.01

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	17,101,500	16,978,700
Trans	2,739,500	2,444,500
Utils	3,082,000	3,079,300
65 Stock	22,923,000	22,502,500

Bonds	Close	Net	Chg.
20 Bonds	89.22	off	0.08
10 Public Utils	89.79	off	0.17
10 Industrials	88.65	unch	

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 133.06 off 0.31.

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#90241u1602 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	381.58	229.60	126.19	23.79	321.34
Opening	381.55	229.92	126.46	23.77	321.38
11 a.m.	381.47	229.49	126.67	23.80	321.41
Noon	382.55	230.98	127.02	23.84	322.32
1 p.m.	385.29	232.47	128.12	24.01	324.67
2 p.m.	386.25	233.57	128.73	24.08	325.59
3 p.m.	385.73	232.64	128.58	24.06	325.15
Close	384.45	232.47	128.39	24.01	324.19
Change	up 2.87	up 2.87	up 2.20	up 0.22	up 2.85

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#90241u1613 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Texas Util	3,860,000	33 7/8	off	1/8
Fst Intst Bcp	3,475,300	28 7/8	up	1/4
Philip Morris	2,553,100	45 1/2	up	1/2
Fst Bank Systm	2,133,600	12 3/4	off	1/4
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,610,600	30 1/4	off	3/8
Amer Express	1,538,100	23 7/8	up	1/4
Genl Motors	1,485,100	40 5/8	up	3/8
Varity Corp	1,355,300	2 1/8	off	1/8
Wal-Mart Stores	1,249,900	29	up	1/8
Genl Electric	1,247,000	62 5/8	off	1/4
Boeing Co	1,224,200	48 3/4	up	7/8
Bristol Myers	1,222,800	60 3/4	up	1 3/8
IBM Corp	1,144,700	103 7/8	up	1/4
McDonalds Corp	1,129,800	27 1/2	off	3/8
AT&T Co	1,092,000	32 1/2	up	3/8

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(AUG. 29) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.
KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	246.50	249.80	246.35	248.10	247.10
Dec	249.20	252.30	249.00	250.75	249.80
Mar	....	....	....	254.15	253.20

Previous day volume: 66 contracts.

Open interest: 1,291 up 5.
CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	322.20	327.10	321.25	323.85	322.65
Dec	325.90	330.80	325.25	327.60	326.40
Mar	328.70	334.00	328.00	330.65	329.45
Jun	....	337.50	331.00	334.75	333.75

Today's estimated volume: 46,239 contracts.
Open interest: 143,664 up 1,431
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	176.15	179.25	176.10	177.55	176.80
Dec	178.50	181.25	177.95	179.55	178.80
Mar	180.25	182.00	180.20	181.55	180.80

Open interest: 5,558 off 200
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	534.00	540.80	531.50	536.30	533.40
Oct	536.30	542.75	534.25	538.60	535.60

Estimated volume 2,651 contracts.
Open interest: 6,886 off 146

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#90241u1624 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW CUMBERLAND ARMY DEPOT, Pa. (AUG. 29) UPI - In the darkened interior of cavernous warehouses with floor-to-ceiling shelves, men and women with forklifts are filling orders around the clock to keep supplies flowing in Operation Desert Shield.

Along the ''Golden Mile,'' as the longest warehouse at the huge depot is called, pallets were being prepared Wednesday for shipment to Saudi Arabia. The mile-long string of buildings has 1.7 million square feet, all but the loading and packing areas jammed with equiment.

Although much of the work was also regular resupply shipments for forces in Europe, the Caribbean and South and Central America, the effort to rush everything from tank parts to chemical weapons suits to the desert was in the minds of many.

Karen Strauss, a 12-year depot veteran, was checking orders to be certain they had been pulled right and prepared them for boxes that would go on the plastic-wrapped pallets.

''We're trying to support the troops in Saudi Arabia. We realize it might come down to lives,'' she said, adding that morale ''depends on who you talk to'' because of recently announced budget-related layoffs throughout the Army Materiel Command.

Some 365 jobs at New Cumberland are vanishing Oct. 12, but nevertheless many of those with layoff notices volunteered for overtime shifts because of the Saudi operation.

Army officials said they were taking another look at the layoffs but could offer no assurances that Desert Shield could preserve any jobs. Commanders said they could continue their supply mission at the reduced level, even if the tempo picks up.

Fifty miles to the southwest, at Letterkenny Army Depot, crews with forklifts steadly hauled pallets of .50 caliber machine gun rounds from an earthen-covered ''igloo'' storage building, rapidly filling a commercial tractor-trailer with the ammunition and smoke grenades, all destined for Army forces in the Saudi desert.

Ammunition manager Frank Van Hatten said so far he has issued 1 percent of his massive supply to troops headed to Saudi Arabia. He collected all the matches and lighters from visiting journalists before admitting them to a 12,000-acre compound dotted with 902 of the igloos holding everything from small arms ammunition to 2,000-pound bombs and a variety of missiles.

Army officials were reticent to discuss specific volumes of materiels shipped from the two depots.

Also at Letterkenny, trucks, artillery pieces, self-propelled howitzers and Patriot air defense missile launchers were being taken out of storage and readied for shipment, many painted with a paint that will slough off chemical agents when decontamination units wash down the equipment.

Lt. Col. David Gordon, supply director at the large maintenance and staging facility, said his shop has run out of a light sand-hued paint and is running low on the slightly darker tan paint that commanders are ordering for their equipment. Many commanders, he said, are asking that equipment be held up an extra day if it means desert colors can be painted on the gear.

At New Cumberland, just across tahe Susquehanna River from Harrisburg, Col. John Joseph said the pace has picked up for the 3,500 civilians and 476 military personnel who work at a facility with nearly 3.6 million square feet of covered warehouse space and a $3.6 billion inventory.

The depot, which supplies or handles shipping for about 50 percent of the Army's materiel needs, is now going seven days a week, with two shifts of 10 hours each at work in many areas and around-the-clock operations in others.

Nearby is a new 1.7 million-square-foot building with a highly automated stock-picking system due to open next year, which will significantly improve the depot's efficiency.

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#90241u1631 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	85,198,336	31 3/4	off 1 5/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	60,697,516	60 1/2	off 2 3/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	50,452,124	35	off 5/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	46,994,724	37 1/4	off 7/8
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	41,528,536	65	off 2 3/4
3Com Corp	(COMS)	38,395,112	8 3/4	off 3 7/8
Oracle Sys	(ORCL)	35,402,824	11 5/8	off 3/4
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	31,842,378	25 1/2	off 1
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	29,875,050	49 1/2	off 5/8
Intl Lease	(ILFC)	27,295,248	31 5/8	up 1 7/8

Composite Index 167.32 off 0.51

NMS volume 94,234,504 shares.

Advances	788
Declines	732
Unchanged	1,301
Total	2,821

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#90241u1638 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	381.78	off	1.08	374.84	468.27
Industrial	409.26	off	1.45	396.98	454.64
Finance	383.58	up	1.51	382.75	555.16
Insurance	466.34	up	0.25	441.59	537.47
Utility	497.81	off	7.91	502.98	735.71
Bank	286.67	up	2.57	284.85	488.56
Transport	419.20	off	0.04	419.83	466.03

Composite 1990 High 469.60
1990 Low 360.59
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 385.81 off 4.00
Industrial Index 167.32 off 0.51
NASDAQ-100 Index 161.83 off 0.64

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#90241u1643 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - The dollar moved mostly higher in thin trading Wednesday as currency-market participants took less defensive market stances amid declining oil prices and hopes of a Persian Gulf diplomatic solution.

But the Japanese yen was the main beneficiary of expectations that a peaceful settlement of the U.S.-Iraq confrontation over occupied Kuwait would coax oil prices lower, easing pressure on industrial nations.

The market in particular awaited intervention in the Gulf by Javier Perez de Cuellar, the U.N. secretary general. He was to hold talks Thursday in Amman, Jordan, with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz.

Participants also reacted to reports that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was making proposals involving hostage releases. ''The market is optimistic,'' said Bank of Tokyo senior customer dealer John Lyman.

Late in the New York session, the dollar was quoted at 1.5585 German marks

again moving higher from 1.5540 marks Tuesday, and at 143.50 Japanese yen down from 143.70 the previous day.

Dealers said the dollar gained in early trading as players bought the unit to cover their short positions - commitments made previously to sell dollars on expectations that the U.S. unit would keep falling.

Yet Lyman said a Gulf resolution could be bearish for the dollar. ''People in fact will be able to sell it more aggressively,'' he said, ''because they won't have to worry about short-covering rallies as news hits.''

But Stephen Burnett, mark dealer for the Bank fur Gemeinwirtschaft, said that although the easing of the crisis has focused players all the more intently on interest rates - a U.S. weak point - the dollar could rally.

He said the dollar was probably undervalued and had been, on the basis of relative purchasing power, ''completely blown out of the '' purch

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2895 Swiss francs, up from 1.2860; 5.2230 French francs, up from 5.2160; and 1,154.75 Italian lire, up from 1,149.

The British pound rose to $1.9455 from $1.9425.

In Europe, the dollar continued to rally against the key currencies in quiet trading, also boosted by hopes of Gulf crisis diplomatic gains.

But with few significant Gulf developments, most traders intended to wait for signs of progress before taking positions. ''Trading is very lackluster,'' said Tim Fox, a treasury economist with Midland Bank PLC.

In Frankfurt, the dollar rose to 1.5565 marks from 1.5515 Tuesday. The U.S. unit also moved up in Zurich, to 1.2850 Swiss francs vs. 1.2815.

In London, the pound ended unchanged at $1.9480.

The dollar also rose in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively: 5.2050 French francs vs. 5.1895, 31.89 Belgian francs vs. 31.81 and 1,148.10 lire against 1,144.95.

In Tokyo, the dollar rebounded well against the yen, ending at 144.35 yen, up from 143.20 the day before.

Gold closed lower in Zurich, at $385.50 an ounce compared with $387, but was slightly higher in London, at $385.37 an ounce vs. 382.37.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $385.75 an ounce, up from $384.75 Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $385.30 an ounce, up from $385.

Silver closed unchanged in Zurich at $4.85 an ounce but climbed in London to $4.84 an ounce from $4.82.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.84 an ounce, off from $4.865. Comex silver finished at $4.826 an ounce, down from $4.84.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austral	.000158	.000162	6311.00	6174.00
Australia dlr	.8308	.8304	1.2037	1.2042
Austria schill	.0914	.0916	10.94	10.92
Belgium franc-c	.0313	.0314	31.95	31.87
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0142	.0142	70.20	70.20
Britain pound	1.9455	1.9465	.5140	.5137
Britain 1-mo	1.9353	1.9360	.5167	.5165
Britain 3-mo	1.9140	1.9250	.5225	.5195
Britain 6-mo	1.8864	1.8875	.5301	.5298
Canada dollar	.8771	.8760	1.1401	1.1416
Canada 1-mo	.8737	.8724	1.1446	1.1462
Canada 3-mo	.8672	.8660	1.1531	1.1547
Canada 6-mo	.8592	.8580	1.1639	1.1655
Chile peso-f	.003326	.003326	300.66	300.70
China yuan	.2107	.2693	4.7463	3.7127
Colombia peso	.001948	.001950	513.44	512.87
Denmark krne	.1680	.1688	5.9535	5.9235
Ecudr sucre-z	.001130	.001130	885.06	885.06
Egypt pound	.3742	.3755	2.6727	2.6628
Finlnd mrkka	.2735	.2737	3.6560	3.6530
France franc	.1915	.1923	5.2230	5.2010
France 1-mo	.1912	.1920	5.2305	5.2086
France 3-mo	.1909	.1913	5.2396	5.2277
France 6-mo	.1894	.1902	5.2793	5.2575
Greece drach	.006535	.006555	153.03	152.55
Hollnd guildr	.5696	.5722	1.7555	1.7476
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1287	7.7713	7.7705
India rupee	.0578	.0579	17.31	17.28
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000542	1844.00	1844.00

Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7220	1.7295	0.5807	0.5782
Israel shekel	.4995	.5045	2.0020	1.9820
Italy lira	.000866	.000872	1155.00	1146.25
Japan yen	.006969	.006969	143.50	143.50
Japan 1-mo	.006981	.006988	143.25	143.10
Japan 3-mo	.006993	.006978	143.00	143.30
Japan 6-mo	.007013	.007000	142.60	142.85
Jordan dinar	1.5420	1.5420	.6485	.6485
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000347	2878.00	2878.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6282	.6275	1.5918	1.5936
Norway krne	.1663	.1666	6.0140	6.0040
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.52	21.52
Peru inti	.000003	.000003	344,750	344,750
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escud	.007338	.007355	136.27	135.97
Saudi riyal	.2674	.2674	3.7401	3.7401
Singapore dlr	.5672	.5674	1.7630	1.7625
S.Africa rand	.3932	.3934	2.5431	2.5421
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010384	.010417	96.30	96.00
Sweden krona	.1748	.1750	5.7210	5.7130
Switzrl franc	.7755	.7780	1.2895	1.2853
Switzrl 1-mo	.7754	.7779	1.2896	1.2855
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7747	.7774	1.2908	1.2863
Switzrl 6-mo	.7737	.7761	1.2925	1.2885
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.90	26.90
Turkey lira	.000376	.000376	2659.00	2657.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6628	3.6628
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0208	.0209	47.97	47.77
W.Ger Mark	.6418	.6446	1.5580	1.5513
W.Ger 1-mo	.6418	.6446	1.5582	1.5514
W.Ger 3-mo	.6414	.6442	1.5591	1.5523
W.Ger 6-mo	.6402	.6431	1.5619	1.5550
Yugosl dinar	.0937	.0941	10.67	10.63

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	23.20-23.25	25.30-25.35
North Sea Brent	26.13-26.18	28.20-28.25
West Texas Intermed	25.95-26.00	27.90-27.95
Light Louisiana Sweet	26.90-27.00	28.85-28.95
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	85.20-85.45	88.90-89.15
No. 2 Heating oil	70.40-70.65	78.00-78.25
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	83.50-83.75	88.55-88.90
No. 2 Heating oil	71.80-72.00	77.50-77.75

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(AUG. 29) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6540	up 15
CBS Corp	174 3/8	up 5 1/4
Captl Cities	478 1/2	off 4 5/8
Anthem Elec	21 1/2	off 3 3/8
Wash Post	238	up 3
Enron fp	184	up 3
Genl Re Corp	71 7/8	up 2 7/8
LillyE wt	75 1/2	up 2 3/4
Nacco Indus	45 1/8	off 2 5/8
Amer Intl Grp	66 3/4	up 2 1/4
Kaneb Svc pf	82 1/2	up 2

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	383.48	380.41	381.78	off 1.08
Industrial	411.26	407.96	409.26	off 1.45
Finance	384.38	381.80	383.58	up 1.51
Insurance	448.04	444.96	446.34	up 0.25
Utility	503.98	494.94	497.81	off 7.19
Bank	287.15	283.37	286.67	up 2.57
Transport	421.32	417.45	419.20	off 0.04

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-17) 393.49

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	167.32 off 0.51
Industrial Index	161.83 off 0.64
NASDAQ-100 Index (largest non-fin'cl)	385.81 off 4.00
Average price per share	8.69 off 0.02
Volume	95,34,504 shares
Advances	788
Declines	732
Unchanged	1,301
Total	2,821

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Average yields for money-market mutual funds were lower in the latest reporting week, while rates at competing savings and loan institutions were mixed, financial information services that track

these yields and rates said Wednesday.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said that average seven-day simple yields were at 7.48 percent, down from 7.51 the previous week, while 30-day simple yields eased to 7.50 percent from 7.52.

The average maturity of fund portfolios was unchanged at 45 days.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money market deposit accounts, 5.89 percent, down from 5.91; Super-Now accounts, unchanged at 4.98 percent; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.53 percent, up from 7.51 percent; 1-year CDs, 7.62 percent, up from 7.61 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.69 percent, up from 7.68 percent; and 5-year CDs, 7.80 percent, up from 7.79.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.30 percent up from 8.27.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage rose in the latest week to 9.81 percent from 9.69, and the average rate for a 30- year, fixed-rate mortgage reached 10.12 percent from 10 percent.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was unchanged at 12.27 percent.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	118,069,100
Advances	987
Declines	887
Unchanged	2,400
Total	4,274

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WILMINGTON, Del. (AUG. 29) UPI - The Du Pont Co. said Wednesday it plans to give its employees called to serve in reserve units in the Persian Gulf region full pay and benefits in addition to their military salaries.

Several dozen Du Pont employees were activated in the initial callup last week, and at least 700 of Du Pont's 110,000 employees in the United States are active in the military reserves, company officials said.

Company spokesman David Moffitt said it has been a longtime company policy

to continue paying employees who are called up for military service.

''They will receive full company pay for two months. This will be on top of their military pay,'' Moffitt said.

If the callup lasts longer than two months, Du Pont said it would re-evaluate its policy. The jobs of people called up are protected by federal law, but many reservists say they will be unable to survive on military pay alone.

Two other Wilmington chemical firms have made similar announcements about their employees serving in the reserves.

Officials at Hercules say the company will make up the difference between an employee's salary and military base pay for three months. The firm also plans to continue medical benefits until they are supplemented by military benefits.

Only about 160 Hercules employees are in the reserves out of 23,000 people nationwide.

''We're doing this to demonstrate our support and commitment to our country's efforts,'' said Hercules spokesman William Hawkesworth.

A spokeswoman with ICI Americas said long-term employees will be able to collect salaries for up to two months during the leave. ICI estimates that fewer than 200 of its employees are active military reservists.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	6	7	4
New lows	57	66	327

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	970	84,422,800
Declines	506	34,547,300
Unchanged	496	15,269,900
Total	1,972	134,240,000

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(AUG. 29) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	1
New lows	33

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	354	6,855,900
Declines	220	2,935,700
Unchanged	214	1,878,400
Total	788	11,670,000

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	178.44	176.15	177.78	up 1.52
Industrial	223,98	221.33	223.04	up 1.76
Transport	142.21	139.93	141.78	up 2.02
Utility	83.39	82.27	83.18	up 1.02
Finance	124.71	123.52	124.42	up 0.82

Equivalent to a gain of 27 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 134,240,000 shares.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.97	8.07	8.89
91-day Treasury bills	7.73	7.74	7.86
182-day Treasury bills	7.83	7.87	7.79
1-year Treasury bills	7.86	7.92	7.73

3-year Treasury notes	8.31	8.40	8.35
7-year Treasury notes	8.73	8.83	8.28
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.92	9.05	8.19
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.47	9.55	8.96
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.95	10.04	9.29
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.34	9.34	9.30
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.47	9.59	9.24
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.51	9.61	9.41
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.50	9.59	9.39

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Stocks extended their winning streak to four sessions Wednesday, as a plunge in oil prices and revived hopes for a peaceful end to the Mideast crisis boosted the market. Trading was very light.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 3.22 Tuesday, gained 17.58 to 2632.43.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 1.51 to 177.77 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index gained 2.85 to 324.19. The price of an average share rose 27 cents.

Advances outpaced declines, 974-509, among the 1,976 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 134,240,000 shares, up slightly from 127,650,000 traded Tuesday.

Stocks opened little changed but turned higher by midday as oil prices plunged. The tumble was sparked by news that ministers of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries had endorsed a temporary rise in oil production to make up for a shortfall on global oil markets resulting from the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

October crude-oil futures closed down $1.96 to $25.92 a barrel but had been as low as $25.32. Most oil stocks closed higher despite the news.

The stock market rallied further in the afternoon amid signs that Iraq may

be softening its stance in the crisis.

Analysts cited reports that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is expected to declare federated self-rule for Kuwait in an effort to resolve the crisis as well as a report in New York Newsday that Iraq told the White House it would pull out of Kuwait and let foreigners leave if certain demands were met.

The demands were said to be the lifting of U.N. sanctions, guaranteed access to the Gulf and control of an oil field that dips into Kuwait.

But some analysts, such as Jeff Kaminsky, head of institutional sales trading at Mabon, Nugent & Co., downplayed the effect of the Mideast news on the advance.

''The market has absorbed hundreds of headlines and it's starting to have less effect,'' he said. ''Earlier that news would have had the market widely swinging,but there's been so much news that much has been seen but ignored. So much of it turns out to be rhetoric, anyway.''

Kaminsky said this was why volume has been so light over the past two days: ''People really don't know what to make of what's going on over there, and rather than putting money on the line they'll move to the sidelines. To make a million dollar decision on a headline when you don't know what it means, well, that's why people are stepping away.''

On the trading floor, Texas Utilities was the most active issue, down 1/8 to 33 7/8.

First Interstate Bancorp followed, up 1/4 to 28 7/8. Philip Morris was third, up 1/2 to 45 1/2.

Federal National Mortgage Association was also active, down 3/8 to 30 1/4.

And General Motors was up 3/8 to 40 5/8 in heavy trading, extending Tuesday's rally which was sparked by the United Auto Workers' selection of GM as its strike target in upcoming contract talks. By being the target, all labor issues are open to negotiation.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T rose 3/8 to 32 1/2, IBM gained 1/4 to 103 7/8, Boeing jumped 7/8 to 48 3/4 and Coca-Cola gained 7/8 to 42 5/8.

In the oil sector, Texaco rose 1/2 to 63 1/4 and Chevron added 1 1/8 to 76 3/4, but Exxon was down 1/4 to 49 7/8. All are Dow components. Elsewhere, Mobil rose 5/8 to 63 7/8, Amoco dipped 3/8 to 55 3/8 and Royal Dutch Petroleum rose 3/8 to 81 1/8.

Elsewhere, Anthem Electronics plunged 3 3/8 to 21 1/2. Smith Barney is

said to have cut its rating on the stock to ''hold'' from ''buy.''

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 165,666,930 shares, compared with 157,698,910 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices closed higher in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index rose 2.45 to close at 324.43. Advances led declines 361-222 among the 802 issues traded. The price of an average share rose 8 cents. Composite volume totaled 13,160,100 shares, compared with 12,331,100 shares traded Tuesday.

B.A.T Industries led the Amex issues, off 1/4 to 10 3/16.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index lost 1.08 to 381.78.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - The Pentagon released the identities Wednesday of the 13 U.S. Air Force members who were killed and the four injured in the C-5 cargo plane crash near Ramstein Air Base in West Germany.

Killed were Maj. John M. Gordon, Maj. Richard W. Chase, Maj. Richard M. Price, Senior Master Sgt. Carpio Villarreal Jr., Master Sgt. Rosendo Herrera, Tech. Sgt. Daniel G. Perez, Tech. Sgt. Lonty A. Knutson, Staff Sgt. Daniel Garza, Staff Sgt. Edward E. Sheffield, all from the 433rd Military Airlift Wing at Kelly Air Force Base, Texas.

Also killed were Capt. Bradley R. Schuldt of the 7th Air Division at Ramstein; Master Sgt. Samuel M. Gardner Jr. of the 31st Weather Squadron at Hahn Air Base, West Germany; Staff Sgt. Rande J. Hulec of the 31st Weather Squadron at Ramstein; and Staff Sgt. Marc H. Cleyman of the 31st Weather Squadron at Hahn.

Survivors who were hospitalized in West Germany were identified as: Lt. Col. Frederick K. Arzt Jr. of the 62nd Military Airlift Wing at McChord Air Force Base, Wash.; Lt. Cynthia A. Borecky of the 3rd Weather Squadron at England Air Force Base, La.; Master Sgt. Dwight A. Pettit Jr. of the 62nd Military Airlift Wing; and Staff Sgt. Lorenzo Galvan Jr. of the 433rd Military Airlift Wing.

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#90241u1760 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 29) UPI - The Armenian Parliament declared a state of

emergency in the southern republic Wednesday and tanks patrolled the capital after a deputy was gunned down in Yerevan.

At least four other people died as rival vigilante units fought an hour-long pitched battle in the city of 1.2 million, reports said.

Authorities sealed off all roads into and out of Yerevan following the violence in which armed factions of separate Armenian nationalist groups turned their weapons on each other for the first time.

Lt. Gen. Mikhail Kolesnikov told the official government newspaper Izvestia that the fighting erupted when a shooting incident at a gas station ''escalated into mass clashes between formations of the Armenian National Movement and the Armenian National Army.''

Levon Ter-Petrosyan, the Yerevan legislature's chairman and effective president of Armenia, told lawmakers that deputy Viktor Aivazyan had been slain as he went to meet with members of the Armenian National Army, one of several large illegal forces in the republic.

Ter-Petrosyan said another deputy, identified only as R. Iskhanyan, was in critical condition in a Yerevan hospital after he was intentionally struck by a car.

Soviet television showed fellow lawmakers crying as Ter-Petrosyan delivered the news and a white flower lying on the desk at the slain Aivazyan's empty chair in the parliament.

The evening ''Vremya'' TV news program also showed columns of tanks moving through Yerevan in the wake of the violence.

After addressing the Armenian legislature, Ter-Petrosyan appealed for calm in a television speech, the official Tass news agency said.

Several large illegal armies have formed in Armenia in the past 2 1/2 years since the outbreak of hostilities with the neighboring republic of Azerbaijan in a dispute over its Nagorno-Karabakh region.

But the violence in Yerevan was the first reported fighting between Armenian armed units and may signal the opening of a dark chapter of factional warfare in the Transcaucasian region that Soviet military officials have called their country's Lebanon.

Ter-Petrosyan was a leader of the Armenian National Movement before his Aug. 4 parliamentary election as president and retains close ties to the group, one of several nationalist organizations that has sprouted military wings in recent months.

Ter-Petrosyan blamed the clashes on the rival Armenian National Army.

The Yerevan legislature imposed a state of emergency throughout Armenia, set a nighttime curfew in Yerevan and gave the Armenian National Army until 10 p.m. Wednesday to surrender thdi7/8 weapons, the reports said.

''An ultimatum was put forward: If members of this (vigilante) group fail to turn in their arms by 10 p.m., forces of the republic's Interior Ministry and KGB as well as volunteer guards under the command of the Armenian Supreme Soviet will start operations to disarm them,'' the independent Interfax news service said.

The parliament offered an amnesty to Armenian National Army fighters who volunarily surrender their weapons.

Armenia is the main target of a decree by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev ordering the disbandment of vigilante armies in the country.

Ter-Petrosyan told Kremlin at a Kremlin meeting earlier this month that he would take responsibility for overseeing the disarmament of illegal units in Armenia.

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#90241u1801 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 453.58, up 0.55 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90241u1822 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 29) UPI - Ford Motor Co. President Philip E. Benton Jr. said Wednesday that only half the full-line auto manufacturers now in business will survive the pressures of global competition during the next 10 to 15 years.

Benton, speaking to the Automotive Industry Action Group in Detroit, also said that through mergers, acquisitions and other financial arrangements, the distinctions of the world's major economic regions will fade.

''Despite the current military situation in the Middle East, we are moving toward a tri-polar world which will be defined by the economic strengths and the interrrelationships of North America, Europe and Asia,'' he said.

Benton cited several mergers or acquisitions that have transpired recently

including Ford's purchase of Jaguar last year and General Motors Corp.'s partnership with Saab.

He declined to specify which other carmakers might not survive into the 21st century as independent companies, but cited three key requirements that if met could allow about half a dozen automakers to remain independent and intact within the next decade.

''The first requirement is that an automaker will need the capability to participate in all three major economic areas of the world,'' he said, noting that ''dependence on one market or limited markets will simply be too risky.''

Aggressiveness in developing and applying new technology is the second requirement, he said, while increased efficiencies in both time and cost will also be necessary.

''Globalization means simply that, where possible, we will design and engineer a product once, but offer specifically tailored variations in multiple markets,'' Benton said, reiterating a strategy Ford has been promoting for several years or more.

''We must take advantage of the converging tastes, preferences and expectations of consumers round the world,'' he said - adding he was confident Ford would be among the survivors.

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#90241u1919 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - The average price of gasoline nationwide has continued to climb in recent days despite a drop in crude oil prices, and is now at its highest level since Thanksgiving 1981, the American Automobile Association said Wednesday.

One industry executive said consumers can expect further hikes, since pump prices have yet to catch up to the earlier jump in the price of crude.

The AAA said the average price of regular gasoline sold at self- service pumps nationwide rose 3.3 cents since Friday to $1.307. That increase comes on the heels of a 3.7 cent jump last week.

''We would have to go back into 1981 before we found a price higher than this, and that would have been at Thanskgiving 1981, when the price was at $1.349,'' said Geoff Sundstrom, an AAA spokesman in Orlando, Fla.

''Unfortunately, prices seem to be increasing steadily,'' he said. ''There was a period two weeks ago when prices seemed to be softening, but there hasn't been any downward movement since then. It's still anyone's guess as

to where prices are going to stabilize.''

The AAA said the steepest price rise in recent days - 6.4 cents a gallon - was found in the Southwest.

Prices were up an average of 3.7 cents in the Midwest, 3.6 cents in the Southeast, 2.4 cents in New England, 2 cents in the West, and 0.1 cent in the Great Lakes region, the AAA said. Prices in the Mid-Atlantic region were unchanged.

The higher prices, which come just before the Labor Day weekend, also may reflect some anticipation of holiday demand, Sundstrom said.

''Retailers are anticipating higher demand, as they typically do at this time of year,'' he said.

The AAA said retail gasoline prices have risen 23.2 cents a gallon since Aug. 1, the day before Iraq invaded Kuwait and sent the price of crude oil soaring.

Those prices eased in trading Wednesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery fell $1.96 to $25.92 a barrel. The price rose 97 cents Tuesday, after dropping $4 a barrel Monday.

Unleaded gasoline for September delivery was down 3.81 cents to 84.72 cents a gallon. The Merc price rose 0.97 cent Tuesday, after dropping a record 17 cents Monday.

But an industry executive said that drop would do little to prevent further hikes at the pump.

''To date, the full increase of the crude has not been passed through to the pump,'' said John Sauer, general manager of planning and analysis at Conoco Inc. in Houston.

''Certainly, if things were to level off at today's crude prices and gasoline wholesale prices, there would be some additional increase that would be passed along at the pump,'' he said.

OPEC producers meeting in Vienna Wednesday gave Saudi Arabia, Venezuela and other members the green light to boost oil production temporarily, in a move designed to avoid an anticipated winter oil crunch and stabilize prices.

But Sauer said he doubted the additional OPEC production would be

sufficient to erase an anticipated shortfall. ''I think it is unreasonable to expect that we are going to see lower prices,'' he said.

Ed Rothschild, energy policy director for Citizen Action in Washington, criticized the industry for what he described as a double standard.

Rothschild said that while consumers feel the pinch of rising prices almost immediately, the oil industry is slow to pass along lower prices.

''This goes to show you that the rule that is in force is 'the refiner always wins' rule,'' he said. ''Once again, we see that the market is not working in a competitive fashion.''

Rothschild said consumers can defend their interests by shopping around, and by keeping their tanks less than full.

''We encourage consumers to act in their own self interest, to keep the pressure on,'' he said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 29) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.33	10.01
Anchor Fund Inv	14.86	15.77
Delaware Mutual	17.01	18.24
Fidelity Fund	16.72	16.72
Investors Mutual	11.00	11.58
Investors Stocks	18.23	19.19
IDS Equity Plus	8.97	9.44
Mass Inv Growth	8.49	9.15
Nicholas Fund	3.31	3.31
United Accumulated	6.35	6.94
United Income	17.25	18.85
Vanguard Wellington	16.08	16.08

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#90241u1973 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

CHATEAUGUAY, Quebec (AUG. 29) UPI - Mohawks and Canadian troops laid down their arms Wednesday night and jointly dismantled barricades as a last-minute agreement apparently ended a seven-week-long standoff that had threatened to end in bloodshed at two Indian reserves south of Montreal.

The Mohawks and federal and Quebec provincial governments were meeting Wednesday to agree on outstanding issues and try reaching a peaceful resolution to one of the most bitter disputes in Canadian history.

''We have reached a very historical period and we can look forward to a very peaceful, calm settling of this situation from here on in,'' said Joe Norton, chief of the Kahnawake reserve.

Norton said the arrangment ''does away with any type of invasion'' on both the the Kahnawake and Kanesatake reserves, where the army has been poised for several days.

Bystanders applauded as Mohawks and soldiers began dismantling two major blockades at the Kahnawake reserve. One of the barricades had cut access to a major bridge route to Montreal, forcing long reroutes of traffic.

Details of the agreement between Mohawks and the governments that led to the dismantling were not immediately known.

John Mohawk, a well-respected leader of the Seneca Nation in western New York, emerged after five hours of meetings to tell reporters that the number of outstanding issues had been reduced to two. This included an Indian demand for immunity from prosecution and a government order that members of the militant Warriors Society surrender their weapons, he said.

Mohawk is a delegate to the talks and represents the Six Nations of the Iroquois Confederacy.

The immunity issue was a particular sticking point because of the shooting death of a Quebec police officer July 11 during an assault on one of the Mohawk barricades.

Mohawk indicated the natives could be flexible on the immunity issue and would agree to compensate the government for damage done to highways and railway lines if they were not formally charged.

''The solutions need to be a bit more creative than what are being applied here,'' Mohawk said.

A total of more than 3,000 heavily armed soldiers, equipped with tanks and armored personnel carriers, had awaiting orders for some time to dismantle Mohawk barricades at the two reserves.

The situation at the reserves had been quiet and tense as Canadian troops moved in reinforcements as they await orders to march on the barricades.

Canadian Armed Forces spokesman Major Serge Quenneville said the army had deployed an additional 675 men, and 186 wheeled and tracked vehicles to the Kahnawake reserve just south of Montreal, adding to a complement of about 1,400 soldiers already there.

Helen Fisher, a spokeswoman for federal Indian Affairs Minister Tom Siddon

said Siddon met Tuesday night with Indian leaders from across the nation, some of whom have threatened reprisals if the army moves against the Quebec Mohawks.

In Ottawa Tuesday, Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney had appealed to the Indians to put down their arms, warning that a confrontation with the military would bring ''dishonor to your people.''

Several hundred traditional Mohawks, most with no links to the militant Mohawk Warrior Society, had already fled the besieged reserves.

Mulroney ordered an investigation into an incident Tuesday that saw hundreds of whites stone a convoy of Indians leaving the Kahnawake reserve. There were unconfirmed reports that several young and elderly Mohawks were hurt in the attack.

The dispute involving Mohawks in the two communities began several months ago over a proposed expansion of the Oka golf course on land the Kanesatake Mohawks claim is an ancient burial ground. The dispute turned violent July 11 when police stormed the barricades erected by the Mohawks and one officer was killed.

Days later, sympathetic Indians at the Kahnawake Reserve near Chateauguay blocked a highway and a key bridge linking that town to Montreal.

A video presentation prepared by the army showed about 200 Mohawks at each reserve had fortified themselves in paramilitary fashion with anti-tank ditches, concrete trenches and bunkers.

Besides shotguns and rifles, the Warriors were armed with FN-FAL semi-automatics, AK-47 Soviet-designed assault rifles, Uzi submachine guns M-16 rifles, American-produced Mini-14 and Mini-30 Ruger rifles, RPK-74 light machine guns, and Barret sniping rifles. They have also purchased Mossberg 500 12-gauge shotguns, Rossi 44 Magnum handguns, Italian-made Luigi Frenchi shotguns, Israeli-produced Galil assault rifles and M72 rocket launchers.

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#90241u1979 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

HARTFORD, Conn. (AUG. 29) UPI - The state has filed suit accusing American Cyanamid Co. with illegally discharging thousands of gallons of industrial waste from its Wallingford plant, officials said Wednesday.

The chemical company was cited for eight discharges of wastes into the Quinnipiac River watershed this year without a permit from the state Department of Environmental Protection, officials said.

The discharges included a July 10 release of about 3,000 gallons of water containing latex and a July 17 release of about 3,000 gallons containing formalin-urea products, the attorney general's office said.

The suit also charged the company with failing to properly operate and maintain its waste water treatment system and failing to comply with certain provisions of its DEP permit from May 1987 to April 1990.

The state is seeking a court order prohibiting additional illegal discharges and requiring the company to take steps to correct sources of pollution at the Wallingford plant.

The suit also seeks fines of up to $10,000 per day for violations before Sept. 30, 1989, and up to $25,000 per day for each violation after Oct. 1, 1989, officials said.

American Cyanamid, which is based in Wayne, N.J., manufactures chemicals and drugs.

The state two years ago reached a settlement of another suit accusing Cyanamid of hazardous waste violations and operating an illegal landfill.

Under the settlement, Cyanamid agreed to pay a $90,000 penalty and was obligated to close the landfill, Attorney General Clarine Nardi Riddle said in a statement.

''I'd like to know when this is going to end,'' Riddle said. ''I would like to think that this company realizes that compliance with all our environmental laws is required and we will take appropriate legal action whenever it is necessary to insure that compliance.''

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#90241u2007 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - The nation's pharmaceutical companies, engaged in a legislative battle over tax credits for expensive drugs that treat rare illnesses, have selected key lawmakers for political donations, government figures show.

In the House, 16 of the 25 top recipients of political action committee money from drug companies are members of committees that could affect the upcoming decision over legislation to encourage the development of sophisticated drugs. In the Senate, 12 of the 25 top recipients are on key panels. Many of the other lawmakers are from districts with major pharmaceutical concerns.

Rep. Edward Madigan, R-Ill., ranking Republican of the Energy and Commerce subcommittee on health and the environment, was the leading House

recipient, collecting $45,000, from January 1989 through July.

In the Senate, Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., whose state is littered with major pharmaceuticals, was the leading PAC recipient. He received $67,600 from the companies since 1983, Federal Election Commission records showed.

Other leading Senate recipients include, Sens. Pete Wilson, R- Calif., who collected $67,300; Dave Durenberger, R-Minn., who got $66,100; Dan Coats, R-Ind., who received $59,500; and John Danforth, R- Mo., with $55,600.

In the House, Madigan was followed by Reps. Bob Michel, R-Ill., the Republican leader, who received $35,000; John Dingell, D-Mich., chairman of the Energy and Commerce Committee, who collected $34,300; Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., who netted $29,700; and Dean Gallo, R-N.J., with $26,500.

The disclosure of PAC money, reported by the drug companies, comes as Congress is poised to determine whether to expand the 1983 orphan drug law to allow for increased competition, or merely reauthorize funding for the act.

The law has spurred the production of 45 rare but critical drugs for a small population, and nearly 140 drugs that are in the final stages of testing.

But the controversy over whether to invite more competition among companies centers on three drugs that are being marketed under exlcusive seven-year monopolies by companies that are parlaying generous subsidies into millions of dollars in profit.

The products include human growth hormone, or hGH, used to treat abnormally low growth rates; EPO, prescribed for the treatment of anemia in kidney dialysis patients; and aerosol pentamidine, approved for the treatment and prevention of pneumonia that is the common complication of AIDS.

The drugs have produced more than $550 million in sales for four companies.

Eli Lilly & Co., of Indiana, which shares marketing rights to hGH with Genentech Inc. of San Francisco, was the second top contributor of pharmaceutical PAC money to lawmakers, doling out $126,000 since last year. In the other extreme, Genentech made contributions totaling only $4,000 to lawmakers, FEC records show.

Meanwhile, Abbott Laboratories of Illinois was the top donor, giving $134,400 to congressional and Senate candidates since last year.

Other leading contributors included Ciba-Geigy Corp., which awarded $78,900 to candidates; Schering-Plough Corp., which donated $70,400; and

Pfizer Inc., contributing $68,000 to candidates.

Though the law does not usually yield millions of dollars in profits, most drug companies that could someday appreciate a windfall from the law protested angrily when Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., proposed changes that would have allowed for ''shared exclusivity'' of drugs, even those that have already been granted a monopoly.

The companies' position was supported by the Bush administration. Vice President Quayle, the former senator from Indiana, reportedly also took interest in the issue because any changes could have adversely affected Eli Lilly.

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#90241u2012 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - The government raised Wednesday its estimate of farm cash receipts this year by $1 billion and said crop sales in the Midwest and insouth-central states were likely to run 10 percent above last year's levels.

Nonetheless, the Agriculture Department stuck with its forecast of net farm income in the range of $47 billion to $52 billion this year, which would be about the same as last year. Higher expenses were expected to offset the boost in cash receipts.

''Cash receipts are expected to be 6 percent to 8 percent above last year's,'' the department said in a quarterly ''outlook'' report for agricultural income.

Crop and livestock sales each were projected to grow by $4 billion to $7 billion from 1989 levels with cash receipts totaling between $168 billion and $172 billion. Receipts totaled $164 billion last year and initially were forecast to reach at least $167 billion this year.

''The Midwest and South-Central regions, which typically provide the most feed grain and cotton sales, are likely to gain more than 10 percent in cash receipts for crops while other regions' receipts will probably grow 1 percent to 4 percent,'' the department said.

Farm production expenses were projected to climb about 2 percent this year for a total of $144 billion to $148 billion.

Fuel prices were projected to rise 5 percent from last year's $6 billion. The department said if crude oil prices rose by $10 a barrel for the rest of the year, fuel costs this year would be 10 percent higher than 1989.

However, prices have not shown that large an increase, despite an initial

surge after Iraq invaded Kuwait.

Meanwhile, a Library of Congress report said oil price increases could pinch farm income. Analysts have calculated that a $5 a barrel increase could mean an additional $900 million in farm production costs, if the increase lasts for an entire year.

That size of an increase ''would represent only a 0.6 percent increase in total costs but nearly a 2 percent reduction in estimated 1990 net farm income,'' the report said.

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#90241u2024 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

SAN ANTONIO (AUG. 29) UPI - Members of a military reserve unit in Texas were so eager to support Operation Desert Shield that, rather than wait for a call-up, they volunteered, leaving behind families and better-paying civilian jobs to make the exhausting trips to Saudi Arabia transporting cargo and troops.

Those still in San Antonio Wednesday were stunned to learn nine of their peers died in the fiery crash of a giant C-5A cargo plane shortly after takeoff in West Germany en route to the Middle East with food and medical supplies.

''This is a terrible, stunning tragedy for all of us,'' said Maj. Meade Warthen of the 433rd Military Airlift Wing based at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio.

''It's hard for most of us to accept this,'' Warthen said. ''Many of the people have been with the unit for many years. It's a deep, personal loss.''

A total of 13 people were killed when the C-5A cargo plane crashed early Wednesday while carrying supplies to the Middle East. A 10th member of the San Antonio reserve unit was among the four people injured.

The nine fatalities from Kelly were the first reservists killed in support of Operation Desert Shield - the mobilization of U.S. forces in the Middle East in response to Iraq's invasion of oil-rich Kuwait on Aug. 2.

San Antonio Mayor Lila Cockrell said it was an especially bitter blow that all but one of the nine victims hailed from the city ringed by five military bases.

''It's so ironic that San Antonio should be the place where these tragedies hit the hardest because we have been so supportive as a city of the national defense effort,'' Cockrell said. ''Tragically, we are the

first to be hit with these losses.''

The nine dead from the 433rd included aircraft commander reserve Maj. John M. Gordon of Spring, Texas, and the two pilots, reserve Maj. Richard W. Chase and reserve Maj. Richard M. Price, both of San Antonio.

The other six victims from the 433rd, all from San Antonio, were identified as flight engineers Senior Master Sgt. Carpio Villarreal Jr. and Master Sgt. Rosendo Herrera; crew chiefs Tech. Sgt. Lonty A. Knutson and Daniel Garza, and loadmasters Tech. Sgt. Daniel G. Perez and Staff Sgt. Edward E. Sheffield.

Among the four injured, all of whom were being treated at an Army hospital in West Germany, was loadmaster Staff Sgt. Lorenzo Galvan Jr. of San Antonio and from the 433rd.

Staff Sgt. Timothy Warren, a spokesman for the 433rd, said the deaths were ''a shock to everybody here'' because ''everybody's very close in the wing.''

This particular Air Force reserve wing is a rarity in that most of its members live in the same area. The 433rd, nicknamed the ''Alamo Wing,'' consistently has enjoyed the highest retention rates among reserve units.

''I have flown with them. I have flown with Gordon,'' reserve Lt. Mike Franco of the 433rd said about the aircraft commander who died. ''He was a very nice man. He knew his job well.''

The C-5A that crashed was headed to another base in Frankfurt, West Germany, before it was to fly to the Middle East with supplies for U.S. troops. The 433rd members aboard had departed San Antonio Aug. 17 for West Germany.

The 433rd had been volunteering its services since Aug. 5, implementing 24-hour work shifts to get its fleet of 15 C-5As, the largest airplanes outside the Soviet Union, ready to transport cargo and active-duty troops to the Middle East.

Since Aug. 8, when the 433rd flew its first mission to Saudi Arabia, more than 200 members of the unit had actively participated in the trips from Kelly to supply pick-up points around the United States to the Middle East and back.

''In fact, we've had more volunteers than we can use right now,'' wing commander Col. Michael Quarnaccio said earlier this week.

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#90241u2041 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
PALO ALTO, Calif. (AUG. 29) UPI - Syntex Corp. reported Wednesday fourth-quarter earnings of $75.1 million, or 67 cents a share, up 49 percent from the $50.4 million, or 46 cents a share, the pharmaceutical company earned in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Sales climbed to $397.3 million from $321.1 million in the year- earlier quarter.

Four new products introduced in the United States since January 1989 contributed $40 million in sales in the latest quarter, the company said.

For the year ended July 31, net income rose 13 percent $341.5 million, or $3.05 a share, from $303.2 million, or $2.67 a share.

Sales reached $1.52 billion from $1.35 billion.

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#90241u2068 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 29) UPI - The travel industry continues to be one of the fastest-growing sector of the nation's economy, as domestic and foreign visitors spent $350 billion on travel during 1989, 7 percent more than in 1988, the U.S. Travel Data Center said this week.

''The travel industry has doubled in sales receipts since 1980,'' said Suzanne D. Cook, executive director of the center, the non-profit research affiliate of the Travel Industry Association of America.

''It is the third largest U.S. retail industry and the second largest in terms of employment.''

According to the center's ''1989-90 Economic Review of Travel in America '' over the past decade travel industry employment grew 43 percent, more than twice the growth rate for all U.S. industries.

The report claimed that travel spending in the U.S. directly generated 5.8 million jobs in 1989, paying nearly $74 billion in wages. It also produced $43 billion in federal, state and local tax revenue.

Travel industry employment, which generates more jobs than any other industry except health services, grew 2.5 percent in 1989.

The report noted, nevertheless, that employment and real output in the industry have grown more slowly during the current economic expansion than during the 1970s.

The slowdown is attributed, in part, to the slow-growing economy and to

consumers having found entertainment alternatives to leisure travel away from home.

In 1989, the number of foreign visitors to the United States reached a record high of 38 million, up 12 percent from the previous year. Their expenditures totaled $34 billion and generated 570,000 jobs, the report said.

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#90241u2130 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 29) UPI - An Iraqi envoy today hinted of a deal to add men to the foreign women and children to be released from Baghdad... if the United States would promise NOT to attack Iraq. The State Department rejected any conditions to the immediate safe departure of all foreign nationals. But a department spokeswoman emphasized that U-S forces in the Mideast are there ''to deter further Iraqi aggression and to defend themselves.''

A top economist appointed by President Gorbachev criticized Soviet reforms today for being too slow and using ''half- measures.'' A Soviet economic commission in Moscow released a report calling for a radical shift away from central planning and state ownership of property. But Gorbachev said that going immediately to a market system would NOT take people into account.

A ferocious three-thousand-acre wildfire that killed two firefighters and destroyed 18 homes in Utah was declared contained today as investigators search for the person or persons who caused it. Authorities say an abandoned campfire sparked the blaze in the Devil's Hole area between Midway and Wasatch Mountain State Park, about 30 miles southeast of Salt Lake City.

Alaskan voters selected a liberal Democrat and a moderate Republican while rejecting conservative candidates for governor in primary election results tallied today. In November, the Democrat- former Anchorage Mayor Tony Knowles- will face moderate Republican state Senator Arliss Sturgulewski. She's seeking to become Alaska's first woman governor. Voters defeated a proposal to legalize casino gambling in Alaska.

A Southern California inventor has received a patent for the micro-processor... the chip that made the personal computer revolution possible. After a 20-year battle with the U-S Patent Office... Gilbert Hyatt received a patent for a single-chip computer last month. In a release today... Hyatt said he hoped to earn royalties from the patent to support his research. Analysts and attorneys say Hyatt could be entitled to vast payments.

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#90241u2150 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AUG. 29) UPI - Insurance conglomerate American International Group Inc. and aircraft leasing giant International Lease Finance Corp. said Wednesday that they may drop the stock price threshold requirement of their previously announced $1.3 billion merger deal.

The companies said they may agree to merge even if the closing price of American International stock is below $66.45 a share on Thursday, as had been specified in the merger agreement.

The companies said the final determination of whether the deal goes through would be made after the market closes Thursday. New York-based American International has scheduled a shareholders meeting Friday to consider the deal.

The deal calls for American International to pay $32.50 cash for every International Lease Finance share. A shareholder can choose to receive 50 cents plus 0.375 shares of American International stock instead.

International Lease Finance, the world's second-largest aircraft leasing company after GPA Group PLC of Ireland, has a fleet of 98 jets worth more than $3 billion.

International Lease Finance said last week that it expects revenues for the third quarter ending Friday to reach $113 million.

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#90241u2227 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 29) UPI - Members of the National Guard are combing cornfields near Joliet, Illinois, today... searching for more victims of a deadly tornado. Two dozen people were killed and 350 injured in yesterday's twister or twisters. But authorities say the casualty figure could have been greater at an area high school. Just before the storm hit, coaches moved football and volleyball players to a small gym they wish. But analysts say it woN'T do much to keep oil prices down because cartel members would have raised their output anyway. The agreement at the meeting of the oil cartel in Vienna is meant to make up for the U-N embargo against Iraq and Kuwait. At least one energy analyst says demand will exceed even OPEC's increased output.

Detectives say a serial killer in Gainesville, Florida, this week targeted petite young brunette women. Investigators say the killer knew his victims... but forced his way into their homes. One of the victims was stabbed...two were bludgeoned... and some were mutilated. Store owners report a run on deadbolt locks, Mace and battery-powered stun guns. Students are buying guns... but police warn that they might end up

shooting innocent people.

Native leaders and the Quebec government met today to try to avert an assault by thousands of troops on two Mohawk reserves south of Montreal. Seneca Nation leader John Mohawk of New York told reporters that the number of outstanding issues had been reduced to two. They include an Indian demand for immunity from prosecution... and a government order that members of the militant Warriors Society surrender their weapons.

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#90241u2232 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 29) UPI - A delegation of Liberian rebels arrived in Gambia today for talks aimed at ending Liberia's eight-month civil war. Representatives of rebel leader Prince Johnson called for establishment of a security force independent of the peace-keeping troops already in the country. The proposed force of men from all classes of Liberian society would be meant to smooth the transition to a civilian government.

A liberal civil liberties organization today reported a sharp jump in efforts to censor the books that school children read. People for the American Way said censorship problems in the schools have gone ''from bad to worse.'' The group reported 244 attacks on books and instructional material. Last year, there were 172 reported incidents.

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#90241u2309 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Construction contracting fell 5 percent in July, reflecting continued weakness in the economy, according to a monthly survey by F. W. Dodge.

Contracts for newly started projects declined across-the-board in July, with the greatest weakness in nonresidential building, down 8 percent, and public works, off 7 percent, Dodge said. Residential building eased 2 percent.

''Restrictive credit, budget austerity, and a stagnant economy are more than enough reasons for the sorry state of construction in 1990,'' said George Christie, vice president and chief economist for Dodge.

''The added complication of a round of energy inflation closes off prospects for improvement in the near future,'' Christie added.

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#90241u2315 08/29/1990 ~United Press International
EAST TROY, Wis. (AUG. 29) UPI - The pilot of a helicopter that slammed

into a ski hill, killing blues guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan and four others, was concerned about the foggy weather but decided flying was safe, an official said Wednesday.

Vaughan, a two-time Grammy Award winner, the pilot and three others died in Monday morning's cay and Buddy Guy.

Four pilots flew members of Clapton's entourage and Stevie Ray Vaughan out of the music complex. Walworth County Sheriff's Department Lt. David Starks said the pilots were concerned about the weather, but felt they would have no problem flying.

''The pilots said once they lifted above the clouds they'd be OK,'' Starks said. ''That's a pilot's decision to make.''

''Because of the fog, all four pilots confirmed among themselves that weather conditions were not going to cancel the flight,'' he said. ''That was a decision based on the four of them mutually coming to a decision that there was no problem flying.''

Starks, who said it appeared fog was just forming as the helicopters took off, said debris from the crash had been removed from the ski hill and taken to Janesville for analysis.

An air safety investigator with the National Transportation Safety Board has said weather played a role in the crash and it appeared the helicopter did not fall onto the side of the 388-foot hill.

The pilot, Jeffrey W. Brown of East Chicago, Ind., worked for Omni Flight Helicopters Inc. and had transported performers at other Alpine Valley concerts.

''We fly lots of talent up to Alpine Valley, and Jeff had been involved in some of those,'' said Phil Huth, who piloted another of the four helicopters that was at Alpine Valley Monday morning.

Omni Flight Helicopters released a statement Wednesday that said, ''There are no known factors of contribution to the accident. It would be inappropriate to speculate further pending release of findings by tZY4xo--5/81/8Z/OW action was taken.

The helicopter, a 1978 Bell 206-B, had no history of accidents, nor did Omni Flight Helicopters, officials said.

Besides Vaughan and Brown, those killed in the crash were Bobby Brooks, 34 Clapton's booking agent, Nigel Browne, Clapton's bodyguard, and Colin Smythe, one of Clapton's tour managers.

Clapton's tour continued Tuesday night with a show in Bonner Springs, Kan. but the guitarist did not mention the accident, officials said. ''He would just say what song he was going to play and he would play it,'' said Danyea Phillips, a spokeswoman for Sandstone Amphitheatre.

A private funeral service will be held for Vaughan Friday in Dallas, followed by a public graveside committal.

Vaughan, 35, won a Grammy for best traditional blues recording in 1984 for ''Texas Flood,'' and won this year in the contemporary blues category for his record ''In Step.'' He shared a Grammy in 1985 for his participation in the album, ''Blues Explosion.''

The Vaughan brothers' long-awaited collaboration album ''Family Style'' is due out Sept. 25, and Stevie Ray Vaughan was to start a European tour next week.

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#90241u2364 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 29) UPI - Iraq today began a process that it suggests could lead to the release of foreign women and children held in Iraq and Kuwait. The Iraqis asked nations- including the United States- to supply the names of women and children in its custody who want exit visas. In Washington, the State Department says it will provide a list as soon as possible.

A last-minute agreement apparently has ended a seven-week-long stand-off between the Mohawk tribe and the Canadian government. Indian warriors and Canadian soldiers put down their weapons and began dismantling barricades erected in a bitter land dispute near Montreal that threatened to turn bloody. The Indians had set up the barricades to keep the government from expanding a golf course onto land the Mohawks claim is an ancestral burial ground.

A state of emergency is in effect in the Soviet republic of Armenia and tanks are patrolling Yerevan. Today's declaration by the Armenian Parliament follows pitched battles between rival nationalist groups in the capital city that left at least five people dead... including a deputy of the parliament. It was the first time armed factions of separate Armenian nationalist groups had turned their weapons on each other.

Religious cult leader Jeffrey Don Lundgren could be sentenced to death following his conviction today in the ritualistic slayings of a family of five last year. A jury in Painesville, Ohio, needed just two- and-a-half hours to find the 40-year-old Lundgren guilty. The sentencing phase of the trial is tentatively scheduled for September 10th.

In another development in the case, Lundgren's wife, Alice, was sentenced

this morning to 150 years to life for her role in the slayings of Dennis and Cheryl Avery and their three young daughters.

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#90241u2377 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 29) UPI - A NASA official says the space agency hopes to get the Magellan probe back on track mapping the planet Venus by the end of September. Ground controllers are still trying to figure out what caused the probe to lose contact with Earth three times... once burning up a dangerous amount of fuel. But officials in Pasadena, California, have put together a schedule to get back to the planned mission.

Despite its flaws, NASA says the Hubble Space Telescope has discovered an especially dense galaxy that could contain a mysterious black hole... as well as an UNexpected ring around an exploded star. Project scientist Edward Weiler in Greenbelt, Maryland, says the new discoveries show the telescope can still make valuable contributions to science while its blurry vision is being fixed.

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#90241u2390 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

OAKLAND, CA (AUG. 29) UPI - The Oakland Athletics bolstered their designated hitter slot Wednesday by acquiring Harold Baines from the Texas Rangers for two players to be named later, the team announced.

''Harold fits our club perfectly,'' manager Tony LaRussa said. ''He is a veteran lefthanded hitter who has always been a clutch run producer.''

A team spokesman said the A's hadn't had a solid DH all season, the spot being filled mostly with players who were being rested such as Jose Canseco or Rickey Henderson.

''We rest players a lot,'' the spokesman said.

The club also was looking for power from the left side of the plate, he said.

Baines, 31, was hitting .290 for the Rangers with 13 homers and 44 RBI in 103 games, starting 95 of them as the DH and two in the outfield.

LaRussa and Baines are no strangers.

''Every year that I managed in the White Sox organization, from 1978 at double-A Knoxville to Chicago in 1986, I had Harold on my club and I saw him establish himself as one of the top late inning clutch hitters in the league,'' he said.

Baines left Chicago for Texas 13 months ago, to the day, and was the all-time White Sox home run hitter with 186 until he was eclipsed by Carleton Fisk. A four-time All Star, Baines was named the league's best designated hitter in 1987 and 1988 in a media poll.

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#90241u2421 08/29/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 30) UPI - The Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday announced creation of a business plan designed to guide the organization into the 21st century.

Exchange officials said it should also be of interest to the general public because the futures industry helps consumers minimize risk and get a better price for their product.

There were three overall recommendations of the task force headed by Dr. Robert Hamada, deputy dean of the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business and a public director of the CBOT:

-The CBOT must be more aggressive and proactive to succeed in the increasingly competitive and technologically oriented environment.

-The goal of the CBOT should be to maximize the long-term value of member opportunity.

-The exchange should establish an active, ongoing strategic planning committee that is given the highest priority and visibility.

CBOT Chairman William O'Connor also proposed a Financial Compliance Committee with only one charge - to make sure member firms are in total compliance with the exchange's capital rules.

''We thought the scope of the Business Conduct Committee probably was too broad and there should be a committee that had total control of the financial compliance of our member firms,'' O'Connor said. ''The powers of the new committee will be broadened to allow members to ask the holding company of a specific firm for material pertaining to their financial requirements.''

The proposal requires approval of the Board of Directors, the exchange membership and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

O'Connor also said the Business Conduct Committee is investigating the situation involving the Stotler Group but had brought nothing to the Executive Committee.

Regarding claims by some former brokers that they were owed commissions by Stotler, he said there are no rules or regulations in the futures or securities industries dealing with commissions.

However, the exchange has a procedure whereby the claims can be taken to arbitration, and O'Connor said there have been a number of arbitration claims filed regarding Stotler commissions.

Exchange President and CEO Thomas Donovan said because the futures markets are a risk management tool they affect everyone.

''They definitely affect everyone whether it is the United States government issuing debt and primary dealers buying it and hedging it in our market which results in us paying less taxes, or in the agricultural end of our business where the consumer gets a better price because people are able to minimize their risk,'' he said. ''We realize we have to face the future early enough so we don't get caught short like the steel or automobile industry that now has had to play catch-up with foreign competitors.''

Included in the 12 specific recommendations of the task force was one that said paperless trading is essential to the future of pit trading. The task force said the exchange must aggressively pursue technologies that will reduce costs to members and their customers, including electronic order entry systems, hand-held units or broker work stations.

In that regard, the committee also said the CBOT should continue to develop Aurora, an after-hours trading system, as a step toward a full global network system. The development should continue at least until there is a working prototype on a local area network.

Such a system should closely replicate the open outcry auction environment.

''We feel that auction systems provide an incentive to market- makers which will ultimately provide more liquidity to the market,'' the task force said.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 29) UPI - Heavy rains spawned by Typhoon Abe triggered floods and landslides that killed 85 people in the earthquake-ravaged northern Philippines over the past four days, the Red Cross said Thursday.

Some 1,500 people were rendered homeless when the mudslips and swollen rivers washed away 250 homes in villages along Dalton Pass, gateway to the lush Cagayan Valley 110 miles north of Manila, the Red Cross said.

The agency said hundreds of commuters bound for the rice-producing valley were marooned in the recently opened road, which was severely damaged during the July 16 earthquake.

The crush of tons of mud and boulders was triggered by a week of heavy rains spawned by the typhoon in the Pacific Ocean swirling toward southern Japan.

Red Cross spokesman Eduardo Angco said the 85 fatalities were either buried in landslides or drowned when they were swept away by floods. The dead included 12 high school students caught in a dormitory that was crushed by a landslide on Monday, Angco said.

More than 1,600 people were killed in the July temblor, which measured 7.7 on the Richter scale, and devastated wide areas of central and northern Luzon.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says there will be NO withdrawal from Kuwait. And in an interview, he denied any behind-the-scenes negotiations with the West... as has been reported. Yet, Saddam insisted he did NOT want war and appealed to President Bush to avoid conflict.

Earlier today, Iraq asked the United States and other countries to supply the names of women and children under its custody seeking exit visas. The State Department says the United States will provide a list of the Americans as soon as possible.

Iraq's ambassador to Washington offered the prospect of a wider solution to the hostage crisis by suggesting that men ''guests'' would also be permitted to leave- if the United States promised it would NOT attack Iraq. The State Department rejected the offer.

NO word yet on the details of an agreement that apparently has ended a tense stand-off between Mohawks and Canadian troops near Montreal. The dispute was sparked by a proposed expansion of a golf course on land the Mohawks claim is an ancient burial ground. It turned violent July 11th when a gunbattle left a police officer dead.

Police in Melrose, Florida... about 20 miles east of Gainesville... say a man and a woman were found dead late today- victims of a double homicide. But they say the murders do NOT appear to be related to those in Gainesville.

In Gainesville, deadbolt locks, Mace and stun guns are selling like hotcakes as police continue to search for the killer of five college students. Authorities theorize that the killer knew his victims and likes dark-haired young women.

A tornado-ravaged area of northeastern Illinois was declared a federal disaster area today... one day after the storm killed at least 24 people as it roared through communities southwest of Chicago. Crews searched for more victims but found NONE.

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(AUG. 29) UPI - Iraq has asked the United States for the names of American women and children who will seek exit visas from Iraq and Kuwait. Iraq made the request today as part of its stated intention of releasing a number of the foreigners Baghdad has referred to as ''guests.'' The State Department says it will go along with the request... but raised a note of doubt about whether the Iraqis would come through on their end.

South African conservatives today denounced a proposal by Johannesburg to open its all-white suburbs to blacks. The Johannesburg City Council voted overwhelmingly last night to ask the government that the metropolitan area be open to all races under a 1988 act allowing selective desegregation. Proponents say the move follows the reforms of President Frederik de Klerk.

Government figures show that U-S pharmaceutical companies are concentrating political contributions on lawmakers who have the best chance to affect tax credits for their firms. In the House and Senate, 28 of the 50 top recipients of political action committee money from drug companies are on committees that could affect the upcoming legislation. Congress is considering giving tax credits for expensive drugs that treat rare illnesses.

A federal appeals court has upheld the death sentence of convicted killer Robert Harris. In April, Harris won a Supreme Court reprieve from what would have been California's first execution in 23 years. Today, a 2-1 vote of judges in San Francisco rejected arguments for a new hearing to consider the competence of trial psychiatrists. Harris may appeal the ruling to the full appellate court and to the Supreme Court.

The dog that went ''ARF'' for Little Orphan Annie on Broadway is dead. Sandy... a mongrel that played the pooch in the play ''Annie''... died in his sleep early today in Haddam, Connecticut. He was 16. Trainer William Berloni had rescued Sandy from an animal shelter for the original production of ''Annie.'' The dog went on to win two Tony Awards.

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MEMPHIS, TENN. (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Seven Oaks International Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:QPON) Thursday reported a loss of $985,000, or 15 cents per share, for the first quarter of its 1991 fiscal year.

The loss compares with income in the year-earlier quarter of $90,000, or 1 cent per share, from continuing operations. Revenues for the three months ended July 31, 1990, totaled $4,392,000 compared with $6,103,000 a year ago.

The company said that the results reported from continuing operations exclude the losses related to the operation and sale of the company's redemption agency subsidiary in fiscal 1990.

Frank J. Donato, chief executive officer, said, ''We have now identified and are working to put in place the combination of revenue enhancements and cost reductions which will move Seven Oaks back soundly into the black.

''The decline in revenue from a year ago is a direct result of the steps taken to eliminate unprofitable accounts and to implement changes in our payment terms and fees for processing coupons. The 293 million coupons processed in the first quarter was down sharply from the same period last year.

''However, it was only slightly below the volume of 306 million coupons in the fourth quarter of last year which historically is a seasonally strong period for clearinghouse activity.

''Results in the first quarter were affected by one-time costs from consulting services focused on accelerating our internal efforts to raise processing efficiency. We are making gains in improving productivity and are supporting that momentum through stringent actions to reduce costs.

''Overhead expenses should drop substantially over the remainder of fiscal 1991 because of the conclusion of the outside consulting work and the realization of the full benefit of personnel cutbacks which have been made.''

Seven Oaks International operates as a clearinghouse between retailers and product manufacturers in processing cents-off coupons. The company's common shares are traded over-the-counter under the National Market System symbol QPON.

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REDMOND, WA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. Thursday announced the formation of a consulting services group aimed at helping large corporate customers better use Microsoft products to build complex information systems.

The group, Information Technology Integration Services (ITIS), is headed by Robert L. McDowell, formerly a partner and national director of strategic business systems consulting at Ernst and Young. ''Consulting services are a natural extension of the breadth of our personal computing and connectivity offerings,'' said Bill Gates, Microsoft chairman and CEO.

The new group's initial offerings will include executive education, planning, design, custom development, and systems and applications support.

Executive education. Programs for business managers will draw on leading experts from the business and academic communities. Microsoft will provide clients with an understanding of the business impact of client-server technology. Programs for information managers will offer insight and information to help organizations successfully implement the transition of their information management systems to these new technologies.

Planning. ITIS will help companies develop business and technology plans that take advantage of current and future personal computing technologies. Planning will focus on prioritizing application development that leverages the strengths of a client-server architecture and helps provide, in a measurable way, a competitive advantage to the organization.

Design. ITIS will offer a full range of application design services. This assistance could range from the initial development of the application design to periodic design reviews and quality-assurance reviews. Design consulting will focus on individual projects or on a broad range of projects developing in parallel.

Custom development. ITIS will initially provide a limited number of resources to serve as custom developers. Normally, ITIS will provide its other consulting services to support client or client-provided applications developers, but when required ITIS will provide programming resources for such things as the development of device drivers, modules associated with a larger application, and limited product modification.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ:MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, CD ROM products and hardware for the microcomputer marketplace.

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FORT SMITH, AK (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Beverly Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:BEV), the nation's leading provider of long-term care for the elderly, Thursday announced the implementation of a landmark national program in cooperation with the American Red Cross to train and certify 40,000 nurse assistants during the next 27 months.

Two years of planning and development went into the $1.9 million program that represents the first comprehensive effort by a private, long-term care organization. This will integrate the health care industry's need for certified frontline caregivers and the health and safety training resources of the American Red Cross, according to Beverly Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board David Banks.

Under an agreement entered into this past June, the American Red Cross will train 350 of Beverly's registered nurses to become instructors of the American Red Cross Nurse Assistant Training Program in the states in which Beverly operates nursing facilities.

All facets of the new program will be monitored by the American Red Cross, which has been associated with Beverly since 1988 in development of uniform instruction standards and teaching materials. The continuing Beverly-Red Cross partnership ''reflects Beverly's desire to see the new federal legislation implemented with the highest level of professionalism and with the utmost sensitivity and compassion for our residents,'' Banks said.

According to Margaret Casey, Red Cross Nurse Assistant Training Program Operations Manager and member of the program's original development team, this program incorporates into its training philosophy the values of sensitivity and compassion. ''The program is also designed to motivate the participant and to leave him or her with a fuller appreciation of the nurse assistant's important role in caring for elderly and disabled adults.''

Between now and the year 2010, the 65-plus population of the United States is projected to include more than 39 million men and women, and the number of Americans over 85 will double to 6.8 million.

Beverly Enterprises is a long-term health care company operating nursing facilities, institutional pharmacies, retirement living centers and home

health centers. Its mission is to be the provider of choice in the communities where it operates, by delivering high quality health care services that meet the unique needs of each of those communities.

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LA PUENTE, CA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwest Water Co. (NASDAQ:SWWC) Thursday announced that on Aug. 28, 1990, its board of directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 22.25 cents per share to be paid on Oct. 20, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 30, 1990.

Southwest Water is the parent company of Suburban Water Systems (water service in parts of Los Angeles and Orange counties); New Mexico Utilities Inc. (water supply and sewage disposal services northwest of Albuquerque); ECO Resources Inc., Line-One Inc. and SOCI Inc. (operational and maintenance services for water supply and wastewater treatment facilities in Texas, Mississippi and California).

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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Laurel Burch, chairman and sole owner of The Laurel Burch Cos., announced Thursday the appointment of David Folkman as president and chief executive officer of Laurel Burch Inc., the wholesale manufacturing entity; Laurel Burch Galleries Inc., the wholesale manufacturing entity; Laurel Burch Galleries Inc., the retail division; and Laurel Burch International Inc.

Jack Holton, acting CEO, moves to co-chairman and Vicki Hoffman has been promoted to executive director of operations for The Laurel Burch Cos. The ten year old San Francisco based company retails and wholesales jewelry, paper goods, porcelain pieces, wood carvings, and apparel related items. Burch, who is an internationally recognized artist, is the sole designer for all design collections.

David Folkman is a highly regarded veteran retailer. His positions in merchandising and store operations include president and chief executive officer of Emporium Capwell, a 22-department store chain based in

California from 1982-1987 and senior vice president of merchandising at Macy's California from 1974-1982.

He was most recently general partner of U.S. Venture Partners where he concentrated his efforts on the retail portion of the Menlo Park venture firm's investment portfolio. Folkman began his retail career at Foley's in Houston in the 1960s and was associated with Famous-Barr in St. Louis in the early 1970s before joining Macy's California.

Folkman met Laurel Burch during his tenure as president of the Emporium. They worked together at that time to develop the first Laurel Burch in-store shop. That concept has evolved into highly profitable department store galleries. Marshall Field opened a 550 square foot gallerie in Chicago in April of this year and projects sales of $2000. per square foot.

Over 50 requests from department store chains for in-store shops have been received by Burch and Holton. They are currently planning 25 shops to open nationwide in the Fall of 1990.

Jack Holton's focus as co-chairman will be developing new ventures, including the retail and international divisions for The Laurel Burch Cos. He is currently overseeing the opening of four 350 square foot Laurel Burch Galleries within Kintetsu Department Stores in Osaka, Japan. The galleries are scheduled to open this September and plans are underway for 13 additional galleries in Kintetsu stores in 1991.

Vicki Hoffman, the new executive director of operations, has been with Laurel Burch for nine years. Hoffman will oversee the operations of all divisions of The Laurel Burch Cos. Burch's management team also includes Tony Farrell, who is the executive creative director. A search is currently underway for an executive director of the wholesale division.

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VAN NUYS, CA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Com Systems Inc. (ASE:CTM) Thursday announced that it is negotiating the second stage of financing with the financial services group of a major corporation to provide up to a $25 million facility to purchase substantially all of the company's accounts receivable.

The initial financing of approximately $12 million was consummated on August 27, 1990, and was used to retire various indebtedness of the company. The company anticipates that negotiations to conclude the second stage of the transaction, which will provide up to an additional $13 million based on qualified receivables, will be consummated by the end of

September.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Rex A. Licklider stated, ''We are optimistic that the second-stage financing negotiations will be concluded expeditiously. If the second phase does not occur, the company will need to seek additional financing from alternative sources.''

Com Systems is a diversified telecommunications company, providing long distance direct dial and operator assisted calling and other enhanced services to customers located in the Western United States.

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RICHARDSON, TX (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Rockwell International Corp.'s Collins Defense Communications (CDC) has been awarded a $2.6 million contract to produce AN/ARQ-50(V) HF high-performance communications systems for U.S. Navy P-3 follow-on aircraft.

Under terms of the contract, issued by the U.S. Naval Air Systems Command in Washington, D.C., CDC will produce two aircraft shipsets and one shipset of hardware for a Systems Integration Lab.

Each shipset consists of two AN/ARC-207 high-performance HF radio systems, one CMS-80 Control Display Unit and associated ancillary equipment.

The AN/ARQ-50(V) cmmunications system features a control bus architecture that has been implemented on Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) platforms.

It allows the two AN/ARC-207 and one AN/ARC-182 on board the P-3 aircraft to be operated from a single control display unit. It also provides automated performance monitoring that eliminates the need for constant attendance by an operator. The system has undergone extensive Navy flight testing and has been approved for Service use.

The AN/ARQ-50(V) high-performance shipsets will be produced at CDC facilities in Richardson, Texas, and Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Rockwell International is a $12 billion, multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses.

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SAN DIEGO (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - As part of its Pure Water 2000 program, Coors Brewing Co. and its San Diego distributors will be donating 10 cents per case for all Coors products sold between Sept. 2 and Sept. 8 to the restoration of the Whelan Lake Bird Sanctuary adjacent to Camp Pendleton in Oceanside.

Coors two San Diego distributors -- Dan McKinney Co. and Crest Beverage Co. -- are participating in this program. All sales within San Diego County will benefit a local Pure Water 2000 program to restore Whelan Lake.

The non-profit Whelan Lake Bird Sanctuary was formed when Ellen Whelan died in 1985 and bequeathed the 130-acre property, including a 39-acre lake, to the group. Her will provided that the lake, formerly the winter home of thousands of Canada Geese, be preserved as a haven for birds and wildlife. However since her death, the lake has become polluted and the surrounding birdlife has diminished substantially.

Graduate students from the University of San Diego and San Diego State University, among others, will help return the lake to its former beauty. The estimated three-year program will involve draining and dredging the lake, removing the sediment on the bottom and refilling the lake with reclaimed water. The ultimate goal is to return Whelan Lake to a functioning aquatic system that can be used as a laboratory for conservation education.

Coors program is the effort to first to raise money for the Whelan Lake project. It is part of the brewer's Pure Water 2000 program which is a national, cooperative effort to educate and motivate Americans on water quality and quantity issues. To launch the program, Coors has provided a $1 million grant to The Institute for Resource Management, a non-profit, environmental problem-solving organization founded by Robert Redford, to develop a clean water action strategy that will address current and future water problems.

''As part of our Pure Water 2000 program, we are looking for ways that we can make a positive difference in the quality of our water, '' said Jennifer Rechholtz, Coors Area Manager in San Diego. ''Whelan Lake is a perfect situation where we can help take an area that is terribly polluted and transform it into a beautiful and productive environment.''

Work is scheduled to begin on the Whelan Lake restoration project in the Fall of 1990. For more information, call Dr. Joseph Jehl at 619/226-3870.

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BURLINGAME, CA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - San Mateo Financial Corp., whose principal subsidiary is Great Pacific Bank, s.s.b. (Great Pacific Bank) announced that earnings for the second quarter ended June 30 were $211,670 compared with a loss of $(183,270) for the second quarter of the previous year.

The net earnings per share for the quarter ended June 30 was 12 cents, calculated on the 1,773,619 shares of common stock then outstanding. The net loss per share for the quarter ended June 30, 1989 was (17 cents), calculated on 1,095,619 shares of common stock which were outstanding as of that date.

The pre-tax earnings for the quarter ended June 30, were $378,670, compared with a pre-tax loss of $(268,171) for the second quarter of 1989.

Some of the factors that were responsible for the increased earnings for the quarter ended June 30 included an increase in the interest rate spread between cost of funds and yield on investments as of June 30 to 2.677 percent, up from 1.438 percent as of June 30, 1989, an increase of 86 percent.

In addition to its increased net interest rate spread, Great Pacific Bank recognized income derived from its expanding loan servicing portfolio.

The primary factor causing the net loss for the second quarter of the previous year was a narrow net interest rate spread created in part by an increasing interest rate environment in which Great Pacific Bank's loan portfolio did not reprice as quickly as its deposit base.

The earnings for the six months ended June 30 were $507,110, compared with a loss of $(193,419) for the like period ended June 30, 1898. The net earnings per share for the six months ended June 30 was 29 cents, calculated on the 1,773,619 shares of common stock then outstanding.

The net loss per share for the six months ended June 30, 1989 was (18 cents), calculated on 1,095,619 shares of common stock which were outstanding at that date.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - To assist its policyholders who were affected by the recent storms, The Farmers Insurance Group of Companies has established an emergency storm office at 23160 W. Lincoln Hwy., Plainfield, Ill. The phone number is 815/436-7228.

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SANTA BARBARA, CA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - At the annual meeting of stockholders held Thursday in Minneapolis, Minn., Christopher J. Conway, chairman and chief executive officer of Mentor Corp. (NASDAQ:MNTR) said that ''the company's 1990/1991 calendar of new product introductions is the strongest in recent years.''

Among the most significant, Conway noted was Urethrin, the company's trademarked application of Polytef, which was recently recommended by an Food and Drug Administration (FDA) advisory panel for treatment of urinary incontinence. ''Urethrin does not require surgery but rather is injected around the urethral sphincter to provide support and improve control.

''The treatment of incontinence by Urethrin injections is a major medical advance that could benefit millions of individuals.'' Conway said that Urethrin will be an important part of a family of Mentor urology products designed to treat or cure incontinence.

''In our cosmetic and reconstructive group Mentor has recently received FDA approval to market Fibrel, a new product for the treatment of cutaneous wrinkles. Such wrinkles can be significantly reduced by injections of Fibrel, a physiologically compatible implant material derived from dematured collagen. We believe that a significant and growing market exists for this newly introduced product,'' said Conway.

''With our recent purchase of Mentor O&O, a producer of ophthalmic surgical and diagnostic products, an expansion of our manufacturing capability in a new Dallas facility, and a full schedule of 1990/91 new product introductions, we expect the current fiscal year to be another record year in sales and earnings,'' he said.

Elected to the Mentor board of directors for the current fiscal year were:

Christopher J. Conway, chairman; Anthony R. Gette; Eugene G. Glover; Walter W. Faster; Michael Nakonechny; Byron G. Shaffer and Dr. Richard W. Young.

Mentor Corp. produces surgically implantable devices, surgical and diagnostic instruments, and disposable medical products, primarily for the specialties of urology, plastic and reconstructive surgery, and ophthalmology.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - United Airlines has filed its exhibits with the U.S. Department of Transportation for Washington-Manchester, England, service as part of the United States-United Kingdom Regional Airport Service Proceeding.

United is seeking a daily, non-stop route between Manchester International Airport in northern England and Washington, D.C.'s Dulles International Airport, with continuing through-plane service to Los Angeles.

United Airlines Chairman and President Stephen M. Wolf's written testimony led the carrier's series of exhibits, which also included written testimony by United Airlines Senior Vice President-Services Planning Jim Goodwin and Vice President-Atlantic David Coltman.

He pointed out that United's proposed service would:

-- introduce into the overall U.S.-U.K. market a carrier with an unequaled record as an international competitor;

-- compete directly with other U.S. and foreign carriers for U.S.-U.K. traffic that currently uses the congested London and Glasgow airports;

-- provide travelers and shippers with a new U.S. gateway to Manchester;

-- connect Washington, United's expanding East Coast hub, with a major U.K. airport that has the potential for similar hub development;

-- link northern England with convenient through-plane or single-plane services to its major U.S. travel destinations -- California and Florida;

-- offer a competitive service in the U.K.-Australia and U.K.-New Zealand markets.

Wolf noted that the Manchester route ''fits into United's overall plan for mounting a broad-scale pattern of trans-Atlantic service.'' This year alone, United has added new service to both Frankfurt and Paris. On May 15, United inaugurated daily service to Frankfurt from Chicago and Washington D.C. On Aug. 1, United launched new service between Chicago and Paris.

Under the new U.S.-U.K. bilateral agreement, U.S. carriers can add service for two new routes to airports in the U.K. other than London.

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DENVER (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Mountain Medical Equipment Inc. (AMEX:MTN) announced at its annual shareholders' meeting yesterday that it has developed a new oxygen delivery system and expects to unveil a prototype at the upcoming trade show in Atlanta this November.

The new product is expected to be introduced into the marketplace within 24 months as an addition to the company's existing concentrator line.

The new system, according to President and Chief Executive Officer Milton G. Adair, ''is designed to have distinct advantages over the existing concentrator technology. The system will deliver oxygen at 99.9 percent purity at any flow setting. The maximum purity that a concentrator can deliver today is 95.5 percent.

''The unit will be the same size as our currently available concentrators and is completely silent, making it ideal for use in nursing homes, hospitals or in the home.

''We anticipate clear advantages for our dealers; mechanical repairs and costly service trips will be virtually eliminated; oxygen analyzers will not be required as the system will always deliver 99.9 percent oxygen purity; and even the need for filter cleaning and changing may be eliminated,'' Adair added.

''With few or no moving parts, we expect little or no field breakdowns. There is virtually nothing mechanical to break down and cause a service repair call,'' he said.

''We have listened to our customers over the years and we believe that this new product incorporates their wishes. As the world's largest

manufacturer of oxygen concentrators, we thought it was incumbent upon us to bring the next generation of oxygen delivery systems to the market. Although we are some time away from commercial production, we have developed several prototypes and we currently believe this new product is commercially feasible.''

Mountain Medical is a leading supplier of oxygen concentrators and other respiratory therapy equipment for the home healthcare market. Through its wholly owned subsidiary, Aegis Medical Inc., the company markets the Avatar R Personal Bowel Care System, an innovative method of bowel care management for home or institutional use.

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VANCOUVER, B.C. (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Redfern Resources Ltd. (TSE:RFR.) announces that the completion of hole 23 has been delayed by mechanical difficulties.

It does however, appear to have passed through the mineral horizon coring 86.5 feet (65 feet true width) of well-mineralized massive sulphide from 2,088 feet to 2,174.5 feet. This intercept is in the same section as hole 22 and represents a 500 foot down-dip step out.

The second drill rig is not now expected to start drilling for several more days, but with two drills working the program will proceed much more rapidly.

The project is a 60/40 joint venture of Cominco Ltd. and the company.

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ANAHEIM, CA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Certron Corp. (NASDAQ:CRTN) Thursday announced sales for the third quarter ended July 31 were $4,014,000.

A loss was sustained in the amount of $544,000. Sales for the third quarter ended July 31, 1989 were $7,923,000 and net earnings were $45,000.

For the nine months ended July 31 sales were $13,779,000 and the net loss was $1,339,000 as compared to $23,394,000 and $233,000 of sales and earnings for the nine months ended July 31, 1989.

The general softening of the economy has caused a decrease in video cassette sales during the current year. Contract manufacturing sales were similarly off from third quarter of last year.

Certron Corp. manufactures and distributes audio recording tapes, distributes video cassettes and floppy disks to the consumer market and in its Mexicali, Mexico facility manufactures and assembles products for other companies

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Grand Valley Gas Co. (OTC:GVGC) has completed a record-setting fiscal year ended May 31.

Net income more than doubled to $2,068,630, or 33 cents per share, vs. $1,009,124, or 16 cents per share, for the same period a year ago. Total shares outstanding at May 31, 1990, were 5,162,751 and fully diluted shares were 6,200,751. Revenue rose to $97,359,045 for the year ended May 31, 1990, vs. $95,969,942 for year ended May 31, 1989.

During fiscal 1990, the shareholder's equity more than doubled to $4,048,743. As the result of management's commitment to build the company asset base, investments in gathering facilities and oil and gas properties now total $615,231. These assets contributed over $350,000 to company revenue during fiscal 1990.

Grand Valley's gas sales volumes increased 23 percent during 1990 to 89 billion cubic feet. The company purchased its gas supplies from over 90 major and independent producers and marketed its gfas supplies to 13 utility customers and over 125 industrial end-users. During this past year, over 60 percent of the company's sales were made under contracts with terms ranging from 1 to 15 years, representing a significant contribution to stability and growth.

As more of Grand Valley's traditional gas marketing business converts to long term contracts, management is increasing its efforts to expand the company's asset base. Activities are underway to investigate invesment opportunities within the energy industry. Management believes that its industry knowledge and expertise can enhance the profitability of these potential investments.

Grand Valley Gas Co. is a natural gas production, gathering and marketing company servicing the western United States and Canada. Grand Valley is one of the largest independent marketers of natural gas in the western region, providing competitive and reliable gas supplies to select utility and industrial markets.

The company also owns oil and gas production interests and installs and operates natural gas gathering and compression facilities serving the needs of gas producers and markets.

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Deanna F. Christensen, 801/532-7526

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OVERLAND PARK, KN (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Thursday announced a free service designed to provide the public with late-breaking information on the Middle East conflict.

Up-to-the-minute news bulletins - ''Crisis Update: The Persian Gulf'' - will be faxed to all callers across the country who dial 1-800-676-2255.

To receive this free public service, callers dial the toll-free number and follow the voice-prompt to enter their 10-digit facsimile number. US Sprint then will speed the latest ''Crisis Update'' news bulletin to the callers' designated fax machines.

The bulletin is updated hourly from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., EDT, Monday through Friday. FAXIS, a New York-based fax information services company, compiles ''Crisis Update: The Persian Gulf,'' using the resources of many of the world's leading news wire services.

US Sprint is providing this service through its business unit, Sprint Gateways, which developed SprintFAXsm, US Sprint's facsimile products and services provider.

''We believe this is the first widespread use of the fax for dissemination of urgent news bulletins,'' said Sprint Gateways Vice President Adrian Toader. ''This one-page news bulletin reports the very latest political, military and economic developments concerning this crisis.''

Through its relationship with FAXIS, US Sprint has acquired the exclusive rights to many of the world's major news wires for fax purposes.

''The 'Crisis Update: The Persian Gulf' news bulletin service is being introduced at the same time SprintFAX is rolling out an exciting new

product line that links worldwide newsgathering resources with SprintFAX '' Toader said.

The new product line includes Broadcast Distribution, which sends information to thousands of locations within minutes on SprintFAX, and Document on Demand, a service enabling callers to automatically request information via facsimile by calling a toll-free 800 or a pay-per-call 900 number.

US Sprint provides an array of facsimile products and services through Sprint Gateways. US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Westwood, Kan.

CONTACT: US Sprint, Washington
Janis Langley, 202/857-1030; after 6 p.m. 703/533-3322
Sprint Gateways, Overland Park
Nick Sample, 913/661-8310.

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The Times Mirror Co. Thursday declared a quarterly dividend of 27 cents per share on both Series A common stock and Series C common stock.

The dividend is payable on Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 23, 1990.

Times Mirror (NYSE/PSE:TMC), a Los Angeles-based media and information company, publishes the Los Angeles Times, Newsday and New York Newsday, the Baltimore Sun newspapers, The Hartford Courant, The Morning Call, The (Stamford) Advocate and Greenwich Time. The company also has interests in broadcast and cable television, and book, magazine and other publishing.

CONTACT: Times Mirror Co., Los Angeles
Jean M. Jarvis (investor), 213/237-3955
or
Suzanne S. Hovdey (media), 213/237-3727.

-30- 1002
#90242b0135 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire

STAMFORD, CONN. (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Warrantech Corp. (NASDAQ:WTECD) announced Thursday that the company's common stock has been approved for trading in the NASDAQ National Market System, commencing on Tuesday, Sept. 4.

Joel San Antonio, chairman of Warrantech, stated: ''With our entry in the National Market System (NMS) the brokers and our shareholders will be able to obtain immediate electronic access to last-sale prices and up-to-the-second volume for the comany's stock throughout the trading day.

''Our stock price will also be included in the NMS stock table in The Wall Street Journal and many leading newspapers throughout the country. This table provides the same high, low and closing actual transaction prices as for listed securities.

''Since NMS is considered by many as the prime market for the emerging blue chips, we believe that inclusion in the new system offers substantial benefits for Warrantech and its shareholders. We are very proud to have been accepted for inclusion in this most prestigious system,'' San Antonio concluded.

Warrantech administers service contracts for consumer electronic products, appliances and home office equioment. Through their wholly owned subsidiary, Warrantech Dealer Based Services, the company administers service contracts for automobiles, leisure craft marine and recreational vehicles.

CONTACT: Wall Street Financial Corp., Los Angeles
Harley R. Gleckman or Edda Brown, 213/552-1555

-30- 1667
#90242b0156 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - TCS Enterprises Inc. reports a loss of $256,000, or nine cents per share, through its third-quarter vs. earnings of $748,000, or 23 cents per common share, through the like reporting period last year.

Tom C. Stickel, chairman and chief executive officer, had the following comments relative to the third-quarter report. "Third-quarter expenses related to our expanding publishing company has had an immediate impact on our bottom line.

"Obviously, financial services, the majority of our business, is currently under stress in the general economy and we therefore are committed to expand services such as publications. This commitment does not come cheap.

"Additionally, Great American Bank troubles have been difficult for us through our collective joint venture project known as MCCA. We, like all San Diego companies and individuals, are saddened to see Great American Bank have difficulties. However, unlike the casual observer, we are economically impacted by their predicament.

"Finally, we are hopeful the thrift-related crisis and its impact on our company will sooon start to level out, at least to the point of allowing us to return to the profit level we have achieved in the past five years. However, we do not underestimate the tough times we are in and that lay ahead. We like our odds and we will continue to repurchase our common stock on the open market from time to time, as the opportunity presents itself."

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-30- 1746

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CUYAHOGA FALLS, OH (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Falls Financial Inc. (NASDAQ:FFII) Thursday announced that a cash dividend of 15.6 cents per share will be paid for the third quarter of 1990. Dividends will be paid on Sept. 21 to stockholders of record Sept. 7.

According to Howard W. Atwood, chairman and chief executive officer of Falls: "The strength of Falls is evident by its high capital ratio of 12.49 percent at June 30, 1990." Tangible stockholders equity of $38.2 million on June 30, 1990, is more than eight times greater than is required for regulatory purposes.

Falls Financial Inc., whose stock is traded on the NASDAQ Over The Counter Market System under the symbol "FFII," had $305.6 million in assets at June 30, 1990. Its subsidiary, Falls Savings Bank, FSB, operates 11 retail banking offices in Summit and Portage counties.

CONTACT: Falls Financial Inc., Cuyahoga Falls, Gene Stalnaker or Rod Vargo, (216) 929-0511.

-30- 1123

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GOLDEN, CO (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Horizon Gold Corp. (NASDAQ:HRIZ), formerly Horizon Gold Shares Inc., Thursday announced the results of actions taken by its shareholders at its annual meeting held on Wednesday, Aug. 22, 1990.

The shareholders voted to change the corporate name from Horizon Gold Shares Inc., to Horizon Gold Corp. The purpose of the change was to clarify the company's identification and its future direction. Horizon's trading symbol will remain ''HRIZ.'' It is traded on NASDAQ's National Marketing System.

The shareholders elected William K. Coors to the company's board of directors. Coors is a substantial shareholder in Horizon through Alma

American Mining and Milling Corp. Coors is chairman and chief executive officer of the Adolph Coors Co. of Golden, Colo. The shareholders also re-elected Harry D. Smith and Charles E. Stott Jr. to the company's board.

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John E. Watson, 303/239-8701

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#90242b0192 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire
SANTA ANA, CA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - EECO Inc. announced Thursday it has filed a plan of reorganization with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Santa Ana.

EECO had previously filed a petition for protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code on May 2, 1990.

George DeHuff, president and chief executive officer of EECO, stated that the plan was filed within the 120-day exclusivity period required by the Bankruptcy Code. DeHuff explained that ''the plan addresses the claims of all classes of creditors via distributions of cash and common stock and provides for equity holders to retain an interest in the company on a diluted basis.

''The filing of the plan is a major step in the company's ongoing restructuring program. After the plan is approved by the court, the company will emerge from Chapter 11 and continue normal operations.'' DeHuff stated that he is unable to predict the date on which the plan may be approved, but said the company is hopeful that it will be by year end.

DeHuff stated that the restructured company will continue to manufacture electromechanical switches and electronic keypads in the United States and in addition, the company's EECO Ltd. subsidiary in Irvine, Scotland will manufacture electromechanical switches and keyboards for the European market.

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George B. DeHuff, or Scott O. Davis, 714/835-6000

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#90242b0199 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire
TACOMA, Wash. (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Weyerhaeuser Co. response to statement by representative DeFazio at Eugene press conference (Aug. 30, 1990):

1. Although we haven't seen a bill yet, Mr. DeFazio's announcement of his intent to introduce legislation restricting private log exports comes as

no surprise to us; his position on this subject is well known among private forest landowners. We and many other forest land owners will vigorously oppose any legislation of this type that attempts to limit the manner in which privately owned and managed timber can be sold.

2. Contrary to the recent statements made by Mr. DeFazio, Weyerhaeuser Company in 1989 exported only 6% of the logs exported from Oregon and 29% of the logs exported from the State of Washington, and accounted for only 20% of total West Coast softwood log exports. While a significant exporter of logs in the Northwest, it is more significant that Weyerhaeuser is the nation's largest exporter of manufactured forest products.

3. Mr. DeFazio's proposal implies that the expected reduction in federal timber sales in Oregon can be offset by restricting private log exports. This is simply not true because the total log export volume from Oregon has been approximately one billion board feet per year of which 90 percent is from private lands. The expected reduction in federal timber sales in Oregon resulting from the combined effect of new national forest management plans and spotted owl habitat protection requirements is 2 billion board feet.

4. About 75 percent of the region's log exports originate in Washington, and the majority of these are second-growth logs, which are either unsuited for or too distant from mills threatened by the expected reductions in federal timber sales.

5. Mr. DeFazio's proposed legislation carelessly disregards the importance of the established international trading relationships that the entire Northwest benefits from, including the fact that the forest products industry together with U.S. international trade officials have worked very hard in recent years to develop worldwide markets for the region's manufactured forest products. As a result, most of the region's forest products exports today are in manufactured form -- pulp and paper products, lumber, panels and others -- and Japan is the largest single customer for these manufactured products as well as for Northwest logs. In Weyerhaeuser's case, more than 70 percent of its exports are in manufactured product form. All of these are world-traded commodities, for which Japan and our other trading partners have alternative sources of supply.

6. This proposed legislation would be poor public policy and extremely short sighted in terms of its potential adverse effects on private forest management in the Northwest and on the region's long term timber supply and economy and on the many communities and people whose livelihood depends on international trade in forest products of all types.

Millions of dollars have been invested by both large industrial and small

private landowners in improving the long-term productivity of Oregon and Washington's private forests.

Restricting the markets for private timber is a sure way of reducing both the means and the incentive to continue to make the substantial long-term investments that private forest management requires.

CONTACT: Weyerhaeuser Co., Tacoma Tom Ambrose, 206/924-3921

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#90242b0602 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Masstor Systems Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:MSCO) Thursday announced the extension of its revolving line of credit with the Bank of the West to Nov. 1.

Founded in 1976, Masstor Systems Corp. manufactures and services mass storage systems for IBM, Cray and Bull HN mainframe customers with very high volume applications. It has over 100 large company and institutional customers in 10 countries in North America and Europe.

Its focused business strategy helps MIS managers quickly leverage their huge installed mainframe investments by automating their storage processes and expanding their on-line applications.

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#90242b0617 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Nichols Institute (ASE:LAB) announced Thursday that it has reached an agreement in principle to merge with MAWD Medical Laboratories (MAWD), located in Kansas City, Mo.

Consideration to be paid for the business and related covenants not to compete will consist of $1.75 million in cash, future payments with a present value of $2 million and a new class of preferred stock convertible into approximately 111,000 shares of Nichols Institute common stock.

Dependent upon future events, preferred stock convertible into 35,700 additional shares of common stock may be issued and cash payments having a present value of $1 million may be made.

Consummation of the transaction is subject to the parties entering into a definitive agreement and satisfaction of a number of conditions.

MAWD serves physicians, hospitals and clinics in western Missouri and eastern Kansas. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, MAWD's laboratory revenues were approximately $6.3 million.

Albert L. Nichols, M.D., chairman and president of Nichols Institute, said the merger will enhance the service capability of Nichols Institute in the Midwest. Dr. Nichols also stated that the Institute is looking forward to its new association with MAWD Pathology Group, which provides services to MAWD and the medical community in the greater Kansas City area.

Nichols Institute provides esoteric diagnostic testing to clients nationwide in the fields of endocrinology, genetics, immunology, microbiology, molecular biology, oncology, serology, special chemistries, toxicology and virology. It also has regional laboratories in California, the Pacific Northwest and the Midwest which provide clinical testing to those markets.

The company also provides NIDA-certified substance-abuse testing to clients nationwide. Nichols Institute Diagnostics manufactures kits for the performance of medical diagnostic tests which are distributed worldwide.

CONTACT: Nichols Institute, San Juan Capistrano
Norman W. Achen, 714/661-8000.

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#90242b0621 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire

MIAMI SPRINGS, FL (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - International Recovery Corp. (NYSE:INT) and Jeppesen DataPlan jointly announced Thursday that IRC's World Fuel Services subsidiaries have been added to Jeppesen's expanding turn-key flight service program to provide aviation fueling services to corporate customers on a worldwide basis.

Jeppesen DataPlan, with facilities in the United States and England, provides flight planning, weather briefing and numerous other services for corporate, airline and governmental clients. Jeppesen DataPlan's parent organization, Jeppesen Sanderson, is the world's largest publisher of flight information and aeronautical charts for all segments of aviation.

Jeppesen's aeronautical charts and electronic navigation data are used by nearly all airlines around the world, as well as by the majority of corporate and general aviation pilots.

IRC holds a leading position in the marketing of aviation fuel to a worldwide niche market of non-major commercial operators of large aircraft. In addition, the Company has expanded its World Fuel Services Card program to allow corporate customers to receive discount priced

aviation fuel throughout IRC's worldwide fueling network at 929 airports in more than 140 countries.

''Our further expansion in the corporate marketplace represents an opportunity which allows the Company to incrementally serve the fueling requirements of additional aviation customers,'' said IRC Chairman Ralph R. Weiser.

''We are also pleased to be a part of the Jeppesen DataPlan program, which is recognized the world over as a leader in technical flight information. Our association with Jeppesen will provide their customers with a program to obtain discount priced fuel as they fly throughout the world while enabling IRC to immediately serve a large segment of the corporate fueling market,'' Weiser said.

In addition to its aviation fueling business segment, IRC is strongly positioned to provide integrated environmental services to public and private sector companies, and state and federal agencies in the Southeast, Mid-Atlantic and Northeast regions of the United States, and is positioned to replicate this integrated program.

CONTACT: International Recovery Corp., Miami Springs
Howard Goldman, 305/884-2001.

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CUPERTINO, CA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Recognizing the need for improved teacher training and new ways to teach students, Apple Computer Inc. is expanding its Christopher Columbus Consortium to 29 teams of colleges and schools from 20 U.S. states and four international locations.

The Consortium, launched last November as a pilot research and development program of six teams, took an unusual approach when it paired schools of education at universities with local school districts.

''In the 10 months since the project began, we have already begun to learn a great deal about how empowering teachers with technology can enhance and fundamentally change school curriculum and instructional practices,'' said Tom Burnett, Ph.D, an Apple education technology consultant and Consortium project manager.

Those who have participated in the Consortium pilot program so far already feel the positive effects of their initial work.

Apple selected participants for the program from proposals that met rigorous criteria for innovation and leadership, as well as a commitment to empowering students, teachers and faculty members. Each team will

tackle specific aspects of curriculum development and teacher training.

Projects and goals of each Consortium team vary a great deal in their emphasis and focus. For example, some, such as the University of North Texas and the Hurst Euless Bedford Independent School District, are developing programs to train new teachers to make technology an integral part of their classrooms.

Others, such as Peabody College, Vanderbilt University and Nashville Metro Schools, are focusing more on how to develop courseware and software that meets the changing curriculum needs of their students.

Still others are exploring how to best evaluate the effects of technology on teaching and learning and communicate the results of their research to as broad an audience as possible. Examples of this type of focus include the University of Georgia and Clarke County Schools in Athens, Georgia.

Students will benefit from the alliances in many ways. For example, in one project designed to ensure that minority children are better prepared for careers in science and mathematics, students from California State University will tutor students from the George Washington Elementary School in Los Angeles in math and science through simulations and other innovative techniques in a new computer center using interactive multimedia curriculum.

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Sandra Bateman, 408/974-5460.

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LAUREL, MS (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Sanderson Farms Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SAFM) Thursday reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1990.

For the quarter, net sales were $47,729,000 compared with $50,855,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Net income was $3,313,000, or 36 cents per share, compared with $5,965,000, or 66 cents per share, in the same period last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, net sales totaled $131,368,000 compared with $138,261,000 in the first three quarters of 1989. Net income amounted to $6,840,000, or 75 cents per share, compared with $11,984,000, or $1.32 per share, in the comparable period a year ago.

Joe F. Sanderson Jr., president and chief executive officer of Sanderson Farms, commented, ''As we experienced in the first and second quarters, sales and profits declined in the third quarter compared with the same

period a year ago, primarily due to lower selling prices for poultry products.

''As measured by a simple average of the Georgia dock price, market prices for poultry were approximately 13 percent lower than in the same quarter last year.

''The decrease in selling prices was partially offset by lower feed costs and gains in prepared food sales.''

Sanderson Farms Inc. is engaged in the production, processing, marketing and distribution of fresh and frozen chicken and other prepared food items. Its shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol SAFM.

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Wyatt J. Davis Jr., 601/649-4030

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LAGUNA HILLS, CALIF. (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Community Psychiatric Centers (NYSE/PSE/BSE/MSE:CMY) announced Thursday that it has reached an agreement in principle with Humana Inc. to purchase Humana Hospital-Brentwood, in Shreveport, La.

''We are pleased that we can anticipate welcoming Brentwood to Community Psychiatric Centers,'' said James W. Conte, president and chief executive officer of CPC.

''The match is an ideal one,'' he added, ''CPC's strength lies in operating acute psychiatric hospitals, and Brentwood is Humana's only psychiatric facility.''

The financial terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Louisville-based Humana has owned and managed Brentwood Hospital since 1971. The hospital is a 174-bed psychiatric facility located at 1800 Irving Place in Shreveport, La. Humana and its family of companies currently operate more than 80 other hospitals in the United States and abroad and have more than one million insurance enrollees.

Community Psychiatric Centers owns and operates 42 acute psychiatric hospitals in the United States and Puerto Rico, and 6 in the United Kingdom. The addition of Brentwood to its network of Louisiana facilities is expected to contribute to earnings and complement operating and marketing objectives.

CONTACT: Community Psychiatric Centers, Laguna Hills
Loren B. Shook, 714/831-1166

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TORRANCE, CA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Sunrise Medical Inc. (NASDAQ:SNMD) announced Thursday record sales and earnings for the year ended June 29, 1990.

Sunrise Medical designs, manufactures, and markets internationally, medical products used in the rehabilitation and recovery phases of patient care.

SUNRISE MEDICAL AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(dollars and shares in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Pct.
	6/29/90	6/30/89	Growth
	(unaudited)		
Net sales	$ 47,729	$ 40,948	17
Cost of sales	29,980	26,245	14
Gross profit	17,749	14,703	21
Divisional operating expenses	11,569	9,497	22
Divisional income from operations	6,180	5,206	19
Corporate expenses	831	706	18
Corporate operating income	5,349	4,500	19
Other (expenses) income:			
Interest expense	(1,099)	(1,257)	(13)
Interest income and other, net	(94)	(111)	(15)
Amortization of goodwill and other intangibles	(396)	(312)	27
Income before taxes	3,760	2,820	33
Income taxes	1,600	1,229	30
Net income	$ 2,160	$ 1,591	36
Earnings per share: Primary			
Net income	47 cents	36 cents	31
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,612	4,441	4
Fully diluted			
Net income	40 cents	32 cents	25
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	6,080	5,886	3

	Twelve Months Ended		Pct.
	6/29/90	6/30/89	Growth
Net sales	$172,069	$152,696	13
Cost of sales	111,311	99,779	12

Gross profit	60,758	52,917	15
Divisional operating expenses	42,305	36,109	17
Divisional income from operations	18,453	16,808	10
Corporate expenses	3,017	2,735	10
Corporate operating income	15,436	14,073	10
Other (expenses) income:			
Interest expense	(4,803)	(5,901)	(19)
Interest income and other, net	22	(46)	/b
Amortization of goodwill and other intangibles	(1,465)	(1,456)	1
Income before taxes	9,190	6,670	38
Income taxes	3,910	3,070	27
Net income	$ 5,280	$ 3,600	47
Earnings per share: Primary			
Net income	$ 1.16	81 cents	43
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,565	4,434	3
Fully diluted/a			
Net income	$ 1.06	81 cents	31
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	6,001	4,434	35

(a) For the 1989 fiscal year, fully diluted earnings per share are not materially different than primary earnings per share.

(b) Percentage not meaningful

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Ted N. Tarbet, 213/328-8018
or
Noonan/Russo Communications, New York
Susan A. Noonan, 212/979-9180.

-30- 3965

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PORTLAND, OR (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Portland General Electric Co. (PGE) is preparing for the next step in its request for additional revenues from the Oregon Public Utility Commission (PUC).

The PUC staff Wednesday submitted testimony that called for a revenue increase to PGE of $917,000. PGE has requested an additional $81 million beginning in 1991. The $81 million request would mean about a $4.50 monthly billing increase for the average residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt-hours a month.

The utility is reviewing PUC staff testimony and may request further data from PUC staff and from rate-case intervenors by Sept. 10. PGE will have

an opportunity for rebuttal and to hold settlement discussions with the staff before public hearings open Nov. 26. PGE expects the PUC will make its final decision on the rate request in early 1991.

''We expected and welcome intense scrutiny of our request,'' said CD Hobbs senior vice president and chief financial officer. ''We are confident that our request is justified, given the increasing costs of doing business and that we haven't had a price increase since 1984.''

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Michael Tevlin, 503/464-8543.

-30- 1397

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GREENLAWN, N.Y. (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Telebyte Technology Inc. has just announced the signing of a letter of intent for a private placement of preferred stock.

The placement agent in this offering is Lyons Mortgage Brokers Corp. of Los Angeles.

The letter of intent covers the efforts required to sell on behalf of the company $500,000 worth of convertible preferred stock. The stock will pay a 12 percent dividend, payable semi-annually, and there is a five year conversion privilege at terms to be negotiated.

The offering itself is subject to approval by the company's board of directors and other conditions. For more information, please contact William C. Kugler, vice president of finance at 516/423-3232, or 1-800-835-3298, or by fax at 516/385-8184, or 516/385-7060.

CONTACT: Telebyte Technology Inc., Greenlawn
William C. Kugler, 516/423-3232
or 800/835-3298

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BREA, CALIF. (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - UnionFed Financial Corp. (NYSE:UFF) announced that a quarterly dividend of 11 cents per common share will be payable on Sept. 25, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 11, 1990.

As of the close of its fiscal year, June 30, 1990, UnionFed exceeds FIRREA capital requirements, with 5.1 percent tangible capital (vs. 1.5 percent required), 5.8 percent core capital (vs. 3 percent required), and 8.4 percent risk-based capital (vs. 6.4 percent required).

UnionFed Financial is the holding company for Union Federal Savings Bank, a federally chartered savings bank with $2.5 billion in assets and 26 branches in Southern California.

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Jeff Speakes, 714/255-7478
or
Ruder Finn, Los Angeles
Jonathan Bernstein or Saul Warshaw, 213/385-5271

-30- 1075

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LEXINGTON, NC (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Haynes Franklin Sherron Jr. has been elected a senior vice president and will join the senior management team at Lexington State Bank and its parent company, LSB Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ:LXBK).

Sherron graduated from Lexington Senior High School in 1973 and from North Carolina State University in Raleigh, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Economics.

Following his NCSU graduation in 1977, he began his professional career in North Carolina as an officer with Peoples Bank and Trust Co., with adminstrative duties at the home office in Rocky Mount and a new banking office in Wilson.

In 1981, Sherron joined the large mechanical contractor, J.J. Barnes Inc. in Fayetteville. He comes to LSB after serving as president of the Barnes firm, which has current annual sales of $10 million and 175 employees at their Fayetteville and Wilmington operations.

LSB President and Chief Executive Officer Robert F. Lowe said, ''Frank, of course, has many Lexington ties, having grown up here. In addition, he brings a breadth of knowledge and experience to our bank, as well as a distinguished record of community service.''

Sherron served as a director of the Fayetteville Area Chamber of Commerce and chairman of that chamber's Governmental and Legislative Affairs Committee. He also chaired the Existing Industry and Business Retention Committee for the Fayetteville Area Economic Development Corp.

He was a member of the board of the Fayetteville Technical Community College Foundation, a trustee of Fayetteville Academy and chairman of the board of directors of the Fayetteville Family Life Center.

Sherron's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Haynes Franklin Sherron of Lexington.

Frank and his wife, Julia, have two sons, Haynes F. Sherron III, and Neill Sherron.

LSB Bancshares Inc. is the holding company for Lexington-based Lexington State Bank, which operates a full-service commercial bank and trust business at its central office and 10 branch offices located throughout Davidson County. LSB's common stock is included in the NASDAQ/National Market System under the listing LXBK.

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WEST WARWICK, RI (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Astro-Med Inc., West Warwick, (NASDAQ:ALOT) reports net income of $551,000 equal to 17 cents per common share, on record sales of $7,005,000 for the second quarter which ended July 28.

During the corresponding period of the prior year, the company had net income of $501,000 equal to 15 cents per common share, on sales of $6,274,000.

For the current six-month period, the company reports net income of $873,000, equal to 27 cents per common share, on sales of $13,100,000. During the corresponding period of the prior year, net income was $856,000 equal to 26 cents per common share, on sales of $11,368,000.

Results for the quarter show an increase of 12 percent in sales and an increase of about 13 percent in earnings per share over the corresponding period of the prior year.

Albert W. Ondis, chief executive officer, stated, ''We are especially pleased that we were able to increase net profits despite the costly patent infringement litigation, in which we are the plaintiff, with a Japanese competitor. Astro-Med management is confident that the company will prevail.

''Sales of all our products were strong. Special strength was shown in export sales, which nearly doubled over the prior year.

''The board of directors has authorized the buy-back of up to 150,000 shares of common stock whenever management feels the market price is unreasonably low. In the past the company has purchased stock under these conditions and may do so again.

''Incoming orders continue at an excellent rate. We expect to post gains

in the third and fourth quarters, thereby making the current fiscal year the best in the history of Astro-Med.''

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AUSTIN, TX (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Texas Vanguard Oil Co. announced that revenues and earnings for both the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990 set records for any comparable periods in the company's history.

For the second quarter, Texas Vanguard had net income of $178,002 or 15 cents per share, on revenues of $483,195, compared to year-earlier net income of $20,012, or 2 cents per share, on revenues of $215,747.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, Texas Vanguard had net income of $229,248 or 19 cents per share, on revenues of $708,899, compared to net income of $21,464, or $.02 per share, on revenues of $371,715 in the year-earlier period.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, total stockholders' equity increased 27 percent to $1,069,374 from $840,127 as of Dec. 31, 1989.

Robert N. Watson Jr., chairman, attributed the more-than-doubling of revenues, net earnings as well as cash flow to the aggressive acquisition of premier properties, including properties in the Austin Chalk of South Texas.

Watson also stated that because of the spectacular results of the first six months the company would increase its acquisition and development budgets for the rest of the year.

Texas Vanguard Oil Co., an oil and gas producing company, operated 150 wells in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Wyoming, and Nebraska. Texas Vanguard Oil Co. is traded on the Boston Stock under the symbol TVO.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Federal Savings and Loan Association of Cleveland today announced a quarterly dividend of 8 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on Sept. 28 to shareholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990. The dividend was declared at a monthly meeting of the company's board of directors.

As of June 30, 1990, Security Federal had assets of $340 million. The thrift, with nine offices in Greater Cleveland and its surrounding communities, is traded in the national over-the-counter market and is quoted under the symbol ''SFSL'' on the NASDAQ/NMS.

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PALO ALTO, CA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Co. Thursday announced a change in strategy within its Engineering Applications Group (EAG) to focus software development on the mechanical- engineering and data-management markets and phase out development of HP's proprietary electronic-design-automation (EDA) software.

The Mechanical Design Division (MDD), which creates application programs for mechanical computer-aided-design (ME-CAD) and product- information management, will operate as an independent software division, effective immediately. It will have a dedicated sales force and, as customer demand dictates, will be free to make its products available on any hardware. The division's software is available today on Intel 386- and 486-based computers that use the MS-DOS operating system in addition to the HP workstation family.

The Electronic Design Division (EDD), following a new release of EDA software planned for the fall of 1990, will undergo a two-year transition away from developing its proprietary EDA software in favor of strengthening relationships with third-party companies.

This major enhancement is designed to improve customers' productivity by providing added capabilities and increased compliance with industry standards such as the X Window System and Electronic Design Interchange Format.

HP also said it will continue supporting the CAD Framework Initiative, a committee of workstation and EDA vendors and users whose charter is to define standards that will help EDA users integrate a variety of suppliers' products into their design systems. The EDD products will continue to be available during the transition period and will be

supported by HP for five years thereafter. In addition, the changes in EAG have no effect on HP's microwave-design software and computer-aided-software-engineering (CASE) products.

During the phase-out, there will be gradual changes in employment levels at the 165-person EDD, which is based in Fort Collins and has operations in Colorado Springs, Colo. As the transition continues, employees will receive company assistance in finding jobs elsewhere in HP.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM Thursday announced a price increase of four percent in the United States for many hardware and software products to take effect January 1, 1991.

The announcement does not affect product prices or price changes announced after June 1, 1990. It also excludes: maintenance agreement charges; Information Network charges; Professional Services charges; customer education courses; Enterprise System/3090(a); Personal System/2(a) processors, Operating System/2(a); Disk Operating System; memory for the RISC System/6000(a) and the IBM 3990; the LaserPrinter, and the Proprinter(a).

IBM plans to announce future general price changes in advance to help customers with their planning.

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BOISE, ID (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - TJ International (NASDAQ:TJCO) Thursday announced it is negotiating to purchase the Alpine Structures Division of Alpine Engineered Products Inc. of Pompano Beach, Fla.

The purchase is contingent upon TJ International's completion of a due diligence investigation, approval by the TJ International board of directors, and approval of the shareholders of Alpine Engineered Products Inc. Closing is planned to occur in mid-October. No purchase price is being disclosed.

Alpine Structures, located in Oxford, N.C., is a manufacturer of wood I-joists and a redistributor of laminated veneer lumber. It operates from a 64,000-square-foot manufacturing facility and has been in existence for eight years. Alpine Structures annual sales are approximately $15 million.

Alpine Structures will continue to be operated as an independent entity. It will be organized under the umbrella of TJ International's Trus Joist structural products division and its president, Tom Denig.

''The purchase of Alpine Structures allows us to combine forces with a key niche player in the engineered wood products field,'' stated Walt Minnick, TJ International chief executive officer and president. ''The company has a fine reputation and high quality engineering, manufacturing and marketing professionals. In Alpine, we believe we have aligned ourselves with the best of the regional I-joist manufacturers.''

Added Trus Joist's Denig: ''Alpine brings some additional products to our offering, as well as a history of strong engineering capability and a commitment to quality products. They have developed a loyal customer group based on service and consistent performance.''

TJ International is a specialty building materials company headquartered in Boise.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - LifeSouth Inc. Thursday reported net income of $50,041 and revenues of $669,958 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, and net income of $454,332 and revenues of $1,519,889 for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

Frank O'Neil, director of Corporate Communications, said that the net

income figure for the first six months included an extraordinary item of $112,174 which was recognized mainly in the first quarter and is attributable to the recognition of the tax benefit of a net operating loss carryforward. In addition, O'Neil cited expected seasonal claims factors as a contributing factor in those results. He also pointed out that there is a growing consumer awareness of LifeSouth's innovative PROActive health plans.

LifeSouth Inc. offers hospitalization and major medical health insurance to individuals and specialized groups in Alabama. LifeSouth's PROActive health plans are available to individuals who lead a healthy lifestyle and meet stringent underwriting criteria. LifeSouth also offers group insurance to licensed health care professionals and their employees.

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CLIFTON, N.J. (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Keystone Camera Products Corp. (ASE:KYC) announced Thursday it has retained Howard, Lawson & Co., a Philadelphia-based investment banking and venture capital firm, as a financial consultant with respect to the availability of equity, debt, and/or equity-linked capital via the public or private financing markets.

The company said the engagement is part of its plan to raise additional capital necessary to fund its continued growth and strengthen its working capital.

In a related earlier announcement, Keystone completed a $2.2 million bridge financing. The funding enabled the company to increase its work force needed to accomodate the production demands of the current $7.7 million Christmas backlog, as well as to place its two new motorized compact 35mm cameras into production.

Initial shipments have already been made of its 2:1 motorized Tele-Wide camera.

As an additional measure to increase its equity base, Keystone recently concluded a favorable settlement with Mitsubishi International Corp. whereby MIC has become a major shareholder in Keystone.

''This latest agreement with Howard, Lawson & Co. reflects management's commitment to ensure the long term growth and success of America's sole camera manufacturer of conventional 110 and 35mm cameras,'' said Myron J. Berman, CEO at Keystone.

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LISLE, IL (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Global electronic connector manufacturer Molex Inc. Thursday announced the acquisition of the remaining 50 percent of their 50/50 joint venture, Molex-Alin, in Taipei, Taiwan.

The purchase price is not disclosed.

Molex-Alin employs 200 people and manufactures a complete line of radio frequency (RF) coaxial connectors used in computers, local area networks (LANS), cellular phones, business machines, instrumentation, and CB radios.

According to Thomas Lee, Molex's director of new ventures, the full acquisition means Molex gains complete control of the manufacturing plant, which will result in improved quality and delivery.

Molex originally entered into the joint venture in February of this year with Lan Alin Industries Inc., whose chairman and former owner, James Wu, was retained to manage the new company.

However, Wu voluntarily stepped down and sold his remaining interest in the company to Molex. Jason Huang, former general manager of Molex Thailand, has taken over for Wu.

Lee indicated that the Taiwan company name would be changed, but a new name has not yet been chosen.

Molex is headquartered in Lisle, Ill., near Chicago, and operates 50 plants in 20 countries, with 6,800 employees. Sales for fiscal 1990 (year ended June 30, 1990) were $594.4 million.

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HOUSTON (AUG. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Tescorp, Inc. (NASDAQ:TESCC) today announced dates for its $0.125 quarterly cash dividend on the company's Series 1990 Convertible Preferred Stock.

The cash dividends are payable October 11, 1990 to holders of record as of Sept. 14, 1990.

Tescorp, Inc. is an oil service company engaged in the manufacture and sale of geophysical products and various oil and gas production products.

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WAYNE, NJ (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - American Cyanamid Co. announced Thursday the signing of a definitive agreement under which Pierre Cardin, the French designer, will reacquire worldwide rights to his fragrance trademark and brands.

The agreement provides for Cyanamid to continue operating the Cardin fragrance business for a sufficient period of time to facilitate an orderly transition of operations.

Cyanamid is a research-based biotechnology and chemical company which develops medical, agricultural and chemical products and manufactures and markets them throughout the world.

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CLEVELAND (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The East Ohio Gas Co. today announced its participation in ''Education 2000: The Natural Gas Industry's Campaign for Educational Excellence.''

The national program, established through the American Gas Association (A.G.A.), is designed to underscore the company and the industry's commitment to education and to today's youth.

The A.G.A. initiative was announced at a news conference in Washington D.C. today. Admiral James Watkins, U.S. Secretary of Energy and Barbara Brand, Assistant Secretary with the U.S. Department of Education were present during today's announcement.

East Ohio Gas has long supported education as an integral part of its business. The philosophy of the company over the last 40 years has been that understanding how energy affects lifestyles, jobs, economy and environment is critical to developing more effective energy producers,

consumers and citizens.

The American Gas Association, headquartered in Arlington, Va., is a national trade association composed of 250 natural gas distribution and transmission companies.

When East Ohio Gas' focus on eduational issues began to take shape in the home economics area in the early 1930's, it couldn't have been predicted that our commitment to education would range from a partnership with a local high school to introducing technological advances such as cofiring in student classrooms in 1990.

While much of the focus during the early years of the company's educational effort was on cooking and the use of natural gas in industrial and commercial applications, by the late 1970's it became obvious that more students could be reached if the focus was shifted to ''teaching teachers'' as a way to reach more students.

East Ohio Gas also has a broad range of materials and resources available for educators and consumers. In addition, company representatives are avilable to work directly with area schools, classes and community groups.

Recognition of student achievements became commonplace with establishment of The Energy Awards Program. This program would later become the Energetic Student Participation (E S P) program, promoting energy awareness and rewarding students for outstanding energy projects.

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CHATTANOOGA, TENN. (AUG. 30 BUSINESS WIRE - Signal Apparel Co. Inc. (NYSE:SIA) Thursday announced that it plans to expand its Heritage Sportswear Division as a result of a recent licensing agreement with National Football League Properties, Inc.

Under the agreement, which becomes effective April 1, 1991, Signal was granted the right to use ''NFL'' and ''Club'' marks on collection sportswear including tee shirts, fleece tops and bottoms, woven and knit tops and bottoms, sweaters, outerwear, hats and bags.

''Signal plans to invest heavily in developing marketing programs for the NFL sportswear collection,'' stated Roger Holland, president and chief executive officer of Signal. ''In addition, we plan to reopen a sewing plant in Marion, South Carolina to manufacture the new product line.

''We have hired David Mitchell, formerly with National Football League Properties, as a new divisional vice president to direct this endeavor. We believe the NFL collection will be an important addition to our present product lines.''

Signal Apparel Co. Inc. is engaged in the manufacture and marketing of apparel, including knit sportswear, sweaters and knit shirts for men and boys, and women's apparel. The company's preferred and common stocks are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. The company's symbol is SIA.

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NASHVILLE, TN (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Shoney's Inc. (NYSE:SHN) announced Thursday that fully diluted earnings per share increased 44 percent during the third quarter of 1990 over 1989.

The third quarter marked the end of the second year since Shoney's Inc.'s 1988 recapitalization, giving the company its first full year following the recapitalization in which comparative operating results have been reported. Fully diluted earnings per share before extraordinary charges for the preceding four quarters have increased 48 percent.

Revenues for the third quarter increased 9 percent from $208,733,000 to $228,364,000. Comparable restaurant sales increased 3.5 percent for the third quarter, resulting in a real sales gain of 0.3 percent after adjusting for menu price increases. Net income increased 55 percent from $6,186,000 to $9,566,000.

For the 40 weeks ended Aug. 5, 1990, revenues increased 9 percent to $711,242,000. Income before extraordinary charges and net income increased 56 percent and 67 percent, respectively. Fully diluted earnings per share before extraordinary charges increased 47 percent from 38 cents to 56 cents per share.

Pretax income and net income for 1989 included a gain on the sale of the company's investment in Restaurant Management Services Inc. of $5,271,000 and $1,833,000 (5 cents per share), respectively.

During 1990, the company has made $55 million of principal payments against the original $585 million of bank borrowings used to finance the 1988 recapitalization. The balance of such borrowings at the end of the third quarter was $355 million, with a weighted average interest rate of 10.5 percent. Interest expense declined by $9,524,000 from $64,907,000 in

1989 to $55,383,000.

During the 40 weeks ended Aug. 5, 1990, the company had a net increase of 44 restaurants, which included 13 company-owned and 31 franchised units. The new company-owned restaurants consisted of five Shoney's, seven Captain D's and one Pargo's. At the end of the third quarter, the company had a total of 1,629 restaurants in operation, which included 705 company-owned and 924 franchised units. In addition, the company had a total of 56 Shoney's Inns in operation, which included two Shoney's Inns opened during 1990.

Shoney's Inc. is a major diversified food service operation and franchisor of restaurants and lodging concepts, including Shoney's, Captain D's, Lee's Famous Recipe Chicken, Fifth Quarter Restaurants, Pargo's and Shoney's Inns. Shoney's Inc. is a publicly held company traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SHN.

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA. (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Envirosafe Inc. Thursday announced that the Ohio Hazardous Waste Facility Board had granted the application of its subsidiary, Envirosafe Services of Ohio Inc. to renew its operating permit with respect to its Cell G which opened early this year. Cell G has a remaining capacity of approximately 410,000 cubic yards.

The board also authorized the Ohio facility to construct a tank and container waste storage area, a waste pile, and to add a chemical/physical stabilization process. However, the board denied the Ohio facility's application to construct an additional disposal cell.

C. Edward Ashby Jr., president of Envirosafe, stated that he was disappointed that the board rejected the recommendations of its own adjudication panel and the recommendations of both the U.S. and Ohio Environmental Protection Agencies in denying the application to construct an additional disposal cell. ''At a time when industrial waste disposal capacity is in short supply, it is regrettable that the State of Ohio should deny expansion to a facility which has been in existence for more than 25 years and which the board itself has characterized as well managed '' Ashby said.

The decision was announced orally at a public meeting of the board and will not be final until a written decision and permit have been issued. ''It will be necessary to study carefully the written decision before we can decide upon a proper course of action,'' Ashby said, ''but the company does intend to request a reconsideration of the expansion issue by the board and may also decide to appeal the denial to the courts, but there is no assurance that any such action would result in an increase in our Ohio disposal capacity. In the meantime, the company is positioned by reason of the renewal of its permit to make maximum use of our existing Ohio cell capacity.''

Envirosafe Services is a leading provider of land disposal services for environmentally sensitive wastes. The company owns major disposal sites in Ohio and Idaho.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Lescarden announced Thursday that it had formally engaged the investment banking services of VAN KAMPEN MERRITT, of Lisle, Ill., to conduct a best efforts underwriting seeking to raise between five and ten million dollars in additional equity capital.

Lescarden's expanding clinical cancer trials of its Catrix material, will necessitate increasing expenditures over the next two to three years. These trials are presently continuing both at the Royal Victoria Hospital of McGill University in Montreal and at the New York Medical College (Westchester County Medical Center) in Valhalla, N.Y.

The company expects that this best efforts offering will commence within the next six weeks and should be concluded by the end of this year.

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WESTON, MA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Eastern Enterprises (NYSE symbol: EFU) announced Thursday that it has completed its previously announced acquisition of E & H Utility Sales Inc. of Carol Stream, Ill.

The price was not disclosed. E & H Utility Sales Inc. is a distributor of components for municipal water systems in the metropolitan Chicago area and in northwestern Illinois and northern Indiana. The company has annual sales of approximately $17 million.

Robert W. Weinig, president and chief executive officer noted: ''the acquisition of E & H Utility Sales Inc. represents further progress towards Eastern's objective of building a major distribution business in the $1.6 billion market for municipal water systems and wastewater treatment products.''

Eastern Enterprises is the parent company of Midland Enterprises Inc., leading barge operator on the nation's inland waterways; Boston Gas Co., New England's largest distributor of natural gas, and the Water Products Group serving municipal, commercial and industrial markets with water system components and purification systems. Eastern's 1989 net income was $56.6 million, or $2.43 per share.

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MUSKEGON, MI (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - SPX Corp. today announced the signing of an agreement with Adam Opel AG (a unit of General Motors Corp.) Ruesselsheim, Germany, establishing SPX as the administrator of the Opel Dealer Equipment Program under the name Euroline.

Euroline will be introduced at the Automechanika in Frankfurt on Sept. 11 and will be headquartered near GM Europe in Switzerland.

Under this agreement, SPX will sell approved service equipment to all Opel dealers in the growing European special service tool market, including the new dealerships in East Germany.

Commenting on today's announcement, Dale A. Johnson, president and chief executive of SPX said, ''This agreement with Opel strengthens SPX's worldwide leadership in special service tools and equipment. It is also early evidence of the important opportunities in Eastern Europe that lie ahead for SPX.''

SPX Corp., headquartered in Muskegon, is a Fortune 500 company and a world leader in the production and distribution of specialty repair tools and equipment, performance test and wheel service equipment and repair parts to the motor vehicle service industry.

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BOCA RATON, FL (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Boca Raton Capital Corp. (NASDAQ:BOCA) announced Thursday that its board of directors had authorized and implemented certain actions to cancel the company's previously announced one-for-five reverse stock split.

As a result, there will be no change in the number of authorized or issued and outstanding shares of the company's common stock, nor in the holdings of any individual shareholder.

Irwin J. Newman, vice president, said that cancellation of the one-for-five reverse stock split is, in part, in response to recent changes announced by the NASD with respect to pro-posed rules regarding requirements for continued listing on the NASDAQ system, as well as concern over the impact the reverse split would have on the liquidity of the company's common stock, under current market conditions.

Boca Raton Capital Corp. is a closed end investment company regulated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

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Irwin J. Newman, 407/394-3066.

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RICHARDSON, TX (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - CONVEX Computer Corp. (NYSE:CNX) and the University of Nevada announced today the installation of a CONVEX C210 supercomputer to be used for advanced research by the chemistry and physics departments.

Although the CONVEX system will be used primarily by researchers in these two departments, the computer will be available to all members of the university community who have a demonstrated need for high-end computing. The two departments will use the system for a variety of computational research projects in the areas of theoretical chemistry, chemical physics, and atomic and molecular physics.

''After months of evaluating proposals from a number of computer vendors, we selected the CONVEX C210 as the system best suited to our needs,'' said John H. Frederick, assistant professor of the department of chemistry and director of the Chemical Physics Program.

''The CONVEX supercomputer offered superior performance in almost every

benchmark we submitted and at an affordable price. We were particularly attracted by CONVEX's strong performance on our own software codes, by the system's ability to vectorize and parallelize computations, and by the performance codes utilizing CONVEX's proprietary mathematical library, VECLIB.''

He also pointed out that the university was impressed by the wide range of software development tools and special features available on the CONVEX systems.

''CONVEX's outstanding customer support and future product expansion also contributed to the decision to install a C210 supercomputer,'' continued Frederick. ''We were looking for a product that could serve us for many years and could be expanded and upgraded to help us keep pace with the rapidly changing computational marketplace.''

According to Frederick, the CONVEX system is being used in the physics department in the study of atomic physics which involves the evaluation of hundreds of thousands of multidimensional integrals and the diagonalization of large matrices, problems for which the C210 system is well suited.

These studies are providing theoretical explanations for experiments that probe the properties of atoms at high energies and could help clarify the process that an atom undergoes when it loses an electron.

In addition, the CONVEX supercomputer is being used in the chemistry department for a study involving the simulation of dynamics during a chemical vapor deposition process, which has potential applications in the construction of panels for solar cells.

CONVEX Computer Corp., a leading supplier of supercomputers worldwide, was founded in 1982 to design, manufacture, market and service high performance systems.

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STAMFORD, Conn. (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - EnviroSource, Inc. Thursday announced that its Envirosafe Services Inc. subsidiary has received Ohio regulatory approval for its existing hazardous waste disposal cell (with a remaining capacity of 410,000 cubic yards), but that Ohio officials have refused to permit Envirosafe to construct additional disposal capacity.

Based on a decision of the Ohio Hazardous Waste Facility Board (''HWFB'') announced orally at the conclusion of a hearing late yesterday, Envirosafe will have final authority to accept hazardous wastes for disposal at its current Ohio cell.

However, its ability to continue Ohio disposal activities after existing cell capacity has been utilized will depend on whether it can reverse HWFB's decision denying Envirosafe authority to construct a proposed additional disposal cell.

Subject to a review of HWFB's final written decision, it is expected that Envirosafe will seek a HWFB rehearing, and if necessary will vigorously pursue any other available avenues to reopen the HWFB decision, but there is no assurance that any such action would result in an increase in Envirosafe's Ohio disposal capacity.

Louis A. Guzzetti, Jr., president and chief executive officer of EnviroSource, said, ''It is disappointing that an expansion proposal meeting all technical requirements for approval, and endorsed by the United States and Ohio Environmental Protection Agencies and HWFB's own reviewing panel, has been arbitrarily denied by HWFB.

''The HWFB decision confirms Envirosafe's ability to continue current levels of activity in Ohio for the next few years. Beyond that period, however, unless HWFB's decision is modified, Envirosafe will have to rely on other opportunities, including its proposed 'greenfield' disposal facilities in Pennsylvania and Texas.

''EnviroSource also has clearly identified medium and long term growth opportunities at its International Mill Service and Conversion Systems units, including the design, construction and operation of electric utility 'FGD' sludge stabilization facilities, which should get a big boost from pending 'Acid Rain' legislation.''

EnviroSource supplies industrial customers with long-term, specialized services, primarily the recycling, handling, stabilization or landfilling of environmentally sensitive wastes or by-products.

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WINSTON-SALEM. N.C. (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Forsyth County Commissioners and R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. announced Thursday that they have reached an agreement for the county to purchase four blocks of RJR's downtown property for the county's new jail site for $800,000.

Approval of the agreement is expected at today's 2 p.m. continuation of the commissioner's Monday night meeting.

The property consists of tax blocks 50, 52, 53, and 499, which are bounded by Patterson Avenue, Church Street, and First and Third streets. Buildings on the property were previously used by Reynolds Tobacco for cigarette production.

''This agreement represents the successful completion of a critical milestone in the county's process to open the urgently needed new county jail. It represents also a remarkable melding of divergent interests and points of view in a community-wide concensus on the new jail's location,'' said John S. Holleman Jr., chairman of the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners.

''It also gives us great satisfaction to know that this property - which played such an instrumental role in our company's development and success - will continue to make a very positive contribution to the future of Forsyth County,'' said David B. Fishel, senior vice president, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.

The agreement calls for the transfer of the property by Oct.1. Buidings on the front two blocks between Chestnut and Church Streets will be vacated by Oct. 1. It is on those two blocks that the jail will be built.

RJR will continue to operate a training school and remove company property in the buildings on the blocks between Patterson and Chestnut Streets until June 30, 1991. The company will also provide steam without charge to the county to maintain the facility until it vacates the premises.

Reynolds Tobacco also indicated that it will ask the city for an easement to run utilities from its Bailey Utility Plant between Fourth and Fifth streets to its Quality Assurance Building on Chestnut Street, just south of First street.

The county has also agreed to offer the company first refusal for use of up to 150 parking spaces in any parking structure it builds in that area within the next 10 years.

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David B. Fishel, 919/742-7654

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ELMSFORD, NY (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - V Band Corp. (NASDAQ/NML:VBAN), returns to profitability reporting third quarter earnings of 3 cents per share resulting from sales of $5.3 million, as compared to a loss of 33 cents per share on $5.2 million of sales reported in the third quarter of 1989.

Improved sales and the positive effects of the various cost containment programs are the primary factors which contributed to the achievement of net income in the third quarter. Sales totalling $14.1 million for the nine month period ended July 31, 1990 were $4.8 million or 26 percent less than the $18.9 million reported for the first nine months of 1989. The sales decline for the nine month period is primarily attributable to a $3.3 million or 23 percent reduction in North American voice sales as compared to 1989.

Gross profit margins increased to 41 percent from 3 percent and to 40 percent from 30 percent, respectively, for the three and nine month periods ended July 31, 1990 as compared to the same periods in 1989. The lower gross margins reported in the third quarter of 1989 included special warranty and obsolescence reserves which totalled $1.4 million.

Increased gross profit margins for the nine month period ended July 1990 as compared to the same period in 1989 reflect the company's pursuit of more profitable product markets as well as reducing manufacturing overhead.

Operating expenses were $2.5 million for the third quarter of 1990 as compared to $5.1 million for the third quarter of 1989, a reduction of $2.6 million or 51 percent. For the nine month period ended July 31, 1990 operating expenses of $9.4 million declined $4.3 million or 32 percent from the $13.7 million reported for the same period in 1989.

The reduction in operating expenses for the nine month period was due in part to a $1.9 million or 40 percent decrease in research and development expenses to $2.8 million in 1990 from the $4.7 million reported in 1989. Additional operating expense savings have been realized on a company-wide basis with the implementation of cost containment programs.

Operating losses before federal income tax benefit for the three and nine months ended July 31, 1990, were $.3 million and $3.7 million, respectively, as compared to $4.9 million and $8.1 million for the same periods in 1989.

Net income for the three months ended July 31, 1990 was $.2 million or 3 cents per share as compared to a net loss of $2.3 million or 33 cents per share for the same period in 1989. Net loss for the nine months ended July 31, 1990 was $2.2 million or 34 cents per share as compared to a net loss of $3.4 million or 50 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

Net loss for the nine month period ended July 1990 includes a net legal settlement charge pf $1.8 million or 16 cents per share, which was recorded in the second quarter of 1990. The weighted average shares of common stock outstanding were 6,603,000 and 6,737,000, for the nine month periods ended July 31, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

The new generation digital trading and dealing communications system ''ViAX DN'' was introduced on June 12, 1990. This system will provide V Band users with enhanced functionality, distributed architecture and direct connection to digital networks, thereby reducing customer network expense.

In addition to the introduction of this new product, on July 16, 1990, V Band signed an agreement with AT&T whereby AT&T agrees to purchase a minimum of $12 million worth of V Band's equipment over a 30 month period.

V Band Corp. designs, markets, distributes and manufactures electronic key telephone and data distribution systems used by the world's financial industries in the trading and dealing of stocks, bonds, commodities and currencies; and, by airlines, utilities, railroads, emergency services and the military in communications control centers.

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George J. Rogers, 914/789-5000

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MIAMI (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Carom Capital Corporation (NASDAQ: CCCC), headquartered in Miami, Thursday reported increased revenues and a loss for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991.

The Company had been known as MetalBanc Corporation (NASDAQ: MBAN) until formally changing its name on May 3, 1990 to reflect its new strategic direction in the leisure market. Early in the first quarter, it had purchased a 51% interest in Jillian's Entertainment Corporation, which owns and operates upscale billiard clubs in Miami, Seattle and Cleveland.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, the Company reported revenues of $501,000, which were generated primarily by the clubs. In the previous year's first quarter, revenues of $123,000 were generated primarily by interest income. On continuing operations, MetalBanc posted a loss of $131,000 versus a loss of $21,000 last year. The net loss for the first quarter in fiscal 1991 of $197,000 ($.06 per share) includes a loss of $.02 per share from the operation of a discontinued real estate subsidiary the Groshire Development Group, Inc. The Company had a net loss of $84,000 ($.03 per share) in the first quarter of fiscal 1990, which

included a loss of $.02 per share from discontinued operations.

CAROM CAPITAL CORPORATION
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Unaudited)
Quarter Ended
June 30,

	1990	1989
Revenues..... ...	$ 501,165	$ 122,765
Loss from continuing operations...	(130,570)	(21,132)
Net loss	(197,525)	(84,420)
Loss per share.....	$ (.06)	$ (.03)
Weighted Number of Shares Outstanding.....	3,128,399	3,128,399

CONTACT: Carom Capital Corp., Miami
Howard M. Glicken, 305/285-7900
or
Bliss, Barefoot, New York
John S. Bliss, 212/840-1661

KEYWORD: FLORIDA Z REPEATS: New York 212-575-8822 or 800-221-2462; Boston 617-330-5311 or
800-225-2030; SF 415-986-4422 or 800-227-0845; LA 213-380-8383

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INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The Somerset Group Inc. (OTC:SOMR) announced today that an agreement has been reached for the repurchase of 100,000 shares of the company's common stock at a per share price of $7.695.

After careful study by the board of directors and a review of the transaction by an independent investment securities firm, the board of directors approved the purchase of 100,000 shares of common stock from four shareholders, including Nora McKinney Hiatt, a director of the company. The shares will be held in the treasury and used to fund stock option programs, company contributions to employee savings programs, and future acquisitions.

The board of directors determined that the purchase of a large block of stock at $7.695 per share was in the best interests of all shareholders, considering the current value of the company, its potential for increased market value, and the company's need for such shares. The board also received an investment securities firm's opinion that the transaction was fair to Somerset and its other shareholders from a financial point of view.

The book value of the average share of Somerset stock at June 30, 1990, was $12.24, and the retirement of 100,000 shares to the treasury will increase that book value to approximately $12.96, an increase of 5.9 percent per share. Earnings per share will reflect a similar percentage increase. The use of the treasury shares in future transactions will also avoid the dilution of per share book value which would occur upon the issuance of new shares.

The Somerset Group Inc. is a diversified public holding company which through its divisions and subsidiaries engages in three primary lines of business - banking, construction products and services, and environmental testing.

Through its 21.8 percent investment in First Indiana Corp., whose principal subsidiary is First Indiana Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, the company operates retail banking and real estate mortgage lending centers in strategic metropolitan communities.

The company provides construction products and engineering services through its American Precast Concrete Division, one of the largest manufacturers, marketers, and installers of precast/prestressed concrete building components in the Midwest.

The company provides analytical testing services for toxic and hazardous compounds in the environment through its 80 percent owned subsidiary, TMS Analytical Services Inc. TMS is also a participant in the Contract Laboratory Program of the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

CONTACT: The Somerset Group Inc., Indianapolis
Joseph M. Richter, 317/634-2717

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WESTWOOD, MA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Information Technology Inc. (MEDITECH) has purchased Maresfield Farm, the former world headquarters of Codex Corp. in Canton, Mass. for a price of $30 million dollars.

Meredith & Grew Inc. and the Binswanger Co. were brokers in the transaction.

Codex Corp., (tel. no. 508/261-4655) a subsidiary of Motorola Inc., is a leading supplier of network products and integrated network systems. Codex, based in Mansfield, Mass., also maintains a product development and engineering campus in Canton.

MEDITECH, a computer software company headquartered in Westwood, Mass.,

develops and markets Hospital Information Systems worldwide. The company was founded in 1969 in Cambridge, Mass. More recently, the company expanded to Route 128. In 1983, MEDITECH purchased the former Underwood building in Westwood and two years ago built a facility along University Avenue in Norwood.

Lawrence A. Polimeno, MEDITECH's executive vice president and chief operating officer comments on his company's decision to buy the building: ''We're very excited to find a building of this caliber so close to our other sites. It provides us with additional office space, offers flexible training and conference facilities, and enables us to draw upon the wonderful talent available in Massachusetts.'' In the last 12 months, MEDITECH has hired more than 200 computer professionals, growing to a total of almost 700 employees.

CONTACT: MEDITECH, Westwood
Al Rocco, 617/329-5300.

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BOSTON (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The stockholders of Central Co-operative Bank (NASDAQ:CEBK), at Thursday's Annual Meeting, re-elected Thomas F. Bennett Jr., John F. Gilgun Jr., and Marat E. Santini to serve on the bank's board of directors for three year terms ending in 1993.

In addition, the stockholders re-elected John V. Hachikian as clerk of the bank for the 1991 fiscal year.

Central Co-operative Bank is a Massachusetts chartered co-operative bank operating eight full-service offices in metropolitan Boston. At April 30, 1990, the bank had over $236 million in assets.

CONTACT: Central Co-operative Bank, Boston
Gladys N. Partamian, 617/628-4000.

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NASHVILLE, TN (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Speaking to shareholders at the company's annual meeting, Sam Moore, president of Thomas Nelson Publishers (NASDAQ:TNEL), announced that the board of directors has declared a cash dividend of 4 cents per share for each of the next two quarters.

This represents an indicated annual rate of 16 cents per share, an increase of 33 percent over the previous annual rate of 12 cents per share. The dividend for the third quarter of fiscal 1991 is payable Nov. 19, 1990, to shareholders of recod Nov. 5, 1990. The fourth quarter

dividend is payable Feb. 19, 1991, to shareholders of record Feb. 5, 1991.

The board also authorized the company to purchase up to 250,000 outstanding shares of the company's common stock and/or Class B common stock in the over-the-counter market or in negotiated transactions for an aggregate purchase price not to exceed $2,000,000.

All shares purchased by the company are to be used for the company's existing or future employee retirement or stock purchase plans and for other appropriate corporate purposes.

In other business at the meeting, shareholders re-elected Brownlee O. Currey Jr., W. Lipscomb Davis Jr., and Kyle M. Hart to the board of directors for three-year terms. Other members of the board, who were not up for re-election, include John W. Clay Sr., Sam Moore, Robert J. Niebel and Millard Oakley.

CONTACT: Thomas Nelson Publishers, Nashville
Joe L. Powers, 615/889-9000

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CLEARWATER, FL (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - PRIDE (Prison Rehabilitative Industries & Diversified Enterprises Inc.) announced Thursday its preliminary financial results for its year ended June 1990, reflecting a record year for the non-profit, self-funded prison industry program.

F. Philip Handy, chairman of the board, said that sales increased $14 million over last year for a total of $81 million; this level of sales provided a cash flow of $6.7 million, all of which was re-invested in the expansion and modernization of PRIDE's prison industries.

Eight new prison industries were added in 1990 which created 735 new jobs for inmates.

They include a garment industry at Lawtey Correctional Institution; a shoe industry at Madison Correctional Institution; a furniture refurbishing operation at Liberty Correctional Institution; a printing plant and garment industry at Calhoun Correctional Institution; a chair plant at Polk Correctional Institution; and key data entry facilities at Martin Correctional Institution and Broward Correctional Institution.

''During this past year inmates worked over 5.2 million hours while training in marketable skills such as computer-aided drafting, key data entry and optical technology,'' said Handy.

Handy also advised the board that since its inception, the PRIDE

employment service has found jobs for over 1600 ex-offenders upon their release. The employment service is part of the post-release support phase of the corporation's new TIES (Training, Industry, Employability and Support) program that also provides PRIDE inmate workers with on-the-job training and employability workshops.

PRIDE President J. Floyd Glisson said that in the six years the quasi-public corporation has been in operation, 56 prison industries were reorganized or started up, and inmate work stations increased from 1,295 to the present 3,052.

PRIDE has returned in excess of $54 million in direct and indirect economic benefits to state government which includes boosting the value of state-owned assets from $30 million to over $63 million.

Established by the Florida legislature in 1981, PRIDE is the first prison industry program in the nation to be managed and operated solely by the private sector.

CONTACT: PRIDE, Clearwater
Pat Foote, 813/535-4900.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - B+H Maritime Carriers Ltd. (ASE:BHM) reported Thursday that the M/T LIVI was at anchor about five miles off Keelung, Taiwan, with severe botton damage incurred in a grounding during Typhoon Yancy on Aug. 19.

The vessel was free of cargo at the time and there is no danger of any significant pollution liability.

The vessel is presently riding out Typhoon Abe with winds expected to exceed 120 mph. The crew has been evacuated to shore for the duration of the storm.

The combination of storms and currents of up to four knots have made it impossible as yet to conduct a comprehensive survey of the vessel. It is clear that she is severely damaged. Extensive repairs will be required and it is possible that the vessel could be Constructive Total Loss. Two salvage tugs were standing by, but have had to leave their stations and seek shelter from Typhoon Abe.

The recovery and repair effort will resume after the weather settles down. The ship is insured for repairs, loss and Loss of Hire. Further details will be released when available.

CONTACT: The Foristall Co. Inc., New York
T.F. Curtin, 212/797-4646.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Henry J. Leingang has been named vice president and chief information officer of Viacom International Inc., effective Sept. 4, 1990.

The announcement was made Thursday by Edward D. Horowitz, senior vice president, and George S. Smith Jr., senior vice president and chief financial officer of the company.

As vice president and chief information officer, Leingang will head Viacom's information systems function. This newly created position will be responsible for setting the company's information systems strategy and policies that will guide Viacom's businesses into the future.

Initially, Leingang's responsibilties will include managing the decentralization of Viacom's information systems and the conversion of the company's systems from mainframe to mid-range technology platform.

Horowitz said, ''Hank's extensive background in designing and managing complex information systems conversion projects will enable him to effectively lead Viacom's advancement from mainframe to mid-range technology. The dynamic change within the information systems field has opened up tremendous opportunites and our new program will enhance our ability to capitalize on the wealth of information affecting our businesses.''

Prior to joining Viacom, Leingang was vice president, Information Services of Trian Group (formerly Triangle Industries), a position he had held since 1984. As Senior Information Systems Executive in the Triangle family of companies, he was instrumental in strategic development of information systems at operating companies including American National Can in Chicago, Uniroyal Chemical in Middlebury, Conn. and Galerias Preciados in Madrid.

His responsibilities at Triangle included decentralization of MIS functions, unification of MIS functions of merged companies, as well as due diligence work associated with acquisitions.

Previously, Leingang spent two years with Interpace Corp., where he served as Corporate Director, MIS and Manager, MIS Planning and Control. From 1979 to 1982, he was part of the Touche Ross & Co. management consulting practice in New York City.

Viacom International Inc. is a diversified communications and entertainment company headquartered in New York City. Viacom Inc., the holding company parent of Viacom International Inc., is an approximately 84 percent owned subsidiary of National Amusements Inc., a closely-held corporation which owns and operates approximately 650 movie screens in 14 states and England.

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CLEARWATER, FL (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert S. Wiggins, chairman and chief executive officer of Technology Research Corp. (TRC), (NASDAQ: TRCI), Thursday announced the receipt of $2.9 million in new orders for the company's products. He stated that three orders totaling approximately $1.9 million were received for the Company's power control military products.

Wiggins further stated that approximately $1 million in two orders were received for ground fault circuit interrupter products including a new pressure sprayer washer company who has national recognition of its products and an original equipment manufacturer who will sell our products under their private brand label.

The company anticipates that shipments under these new orders will commence during its current fiscal year.

TRC, a Florida based corporation, is engaged in the design, development, manufacture, and marketing of electronic control and measurement devices related to the distribution of electrical power.

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AKRON, OH (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Continued sluggishness in the vehicle manufacturing market, combined with corporate efforts to balance inventory levels led Goodyear to announce today additional production cutbacks at three plants.

Some 270 employees at the Union City, Tenn., plant and approximately 530 at the Valleyfield, Quebec, plant will be laid off temporarily. Length of the layoffs will depend on the economy and market demand, Goodyear said.

Additionally, the Danville, Va., medium radial truck tire plant will

reduce production for one week.

CONTACT: Goodyear, Akron
Sue Zajac, 216/796-6788.

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ROTTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - VOC (Van Ommeren Ceteco), the international transport, tank storage and trading group, announced net income of Dfl 32.7 million ($17.4 million (a)) for the first half of 1990 (first half 1989: Dfl 18.5 million).

The results include an extraordinary item of Dfl 6.5 million ($3.5 million) from a book profit on the sale of its Zeebrugge stevedoring company CTO. Income on ordinary activities rose by 35% to Dfl 28.4 million ($15.1 million). First-half earnings per share rose to Dfl 2.17 ($1.16) (first half 1989: Dfl 1.26). An unchanged interim dividend of Dfl 0.50 per share has been declared and will be payable as of September 14, 1990.

Exchange rate fluctuations had a negative effect on net income of approximately Dfl 5 million ($2.7 million). The adverse effect of exchange rates on revenues was roughly Dfl 85 million ($45 million) and on operating income about Dfl 15 million ($8 million). Exchange rate effects on revenue and operating income were felt most strongly in the trading division. On the other hand, currency translation differences reduced the interest charge.

Within the Transport division, dry cargo shipping activities were affected by an expected fall in freight rates and a weak US dollar. Profits in tank shipping slowed, particularly in the first quarter, due to limited cargo supply and a lengthy period of bad weather in Western Europe. However, the drop in profits from shipping was offset by the book profit on the sale of a product tanker, included under other operating income. Results from the heavy lift fleet improved.

Inland tank shipping profits were better due to increased demand for inland resupply early in the year. There was also an improvement in the profit from other transport activities (agencies, groupage, stevedoring, and forwarding and distribution). Tank Storage

Results from the Tank Storage division developed well mainly due to increased demand for mineral oil product storage in the second quarter. Storage of animal and vegetable products also made an increased contribution to profits. The chemicals sector saw sustained demand for special products storage capacity. Trading

Trading division income was adversely affected by lower profit margins on sales in the important Venezuelan consumer durables market. After the sharp fall in the second half of 1989 these margins have gradually been recovering. The chemicals and foods sector improved. Results in the capital goods and technical products sector lagged slightly behind those of the first half of 1989.

CONTACT: Taylor Rafferty Associates, New York
James P. Prout, 212/889-4350

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#90242b0797 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Thursday, August 30, 1990, The Board of Directors of Dreyfus Strategic Municipals, Inc. (NYSE, Symbol: LEO) declared from net investment income its monthly cash dividend of $0.065 per share of common stock, payable on September 26, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on September 12, 1990.

The previous cash dividend paid in August was also $0.065 per share.

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Legal Department, 212/922-6808.

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#90242b0801 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire
RUSSELLVILLE, KY. (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of First Financial of Russellville Inc. Thursday declared a special cash dividend of 25 cents per share, payable on Sept. 25, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 17, 1990.

Ken N. Mercer, president of First Financial of Russellville Inc., stated that, ''The board of directors is pleased that the corporation is in a position to pay the special dividend to its stockholders.''

CONTACT: First Financial of Russellville Inc., Russellville
Ken Mercer, 502/726-4022

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#90242b0805 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire
ATLANTA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Resurgens Communications Group Inc. (ASE:RCG) Thursday announced that Terrill A. Turner, a private investor through RCG Investors II, a partnership not affiliated with the company or any of its officers or directors, has acquired 210,081 shares of Resurgens Communications Group Inc.

Turner has amended the partnership's 13-D filing to the Securities and Exchange Commission indicating its current beneficial holdings in Resurgens Communications Group Inc. to be 1,530,170 shares, or 12.84 percent.

Resurgens Communications Group Inc. is a telecommunications company which processes and transmits operator-assisted long distance telephone calls from multi-telephone facilities such as hotels and hospitals and from pay telephones.

Through its subsidiary, Southern Cellular Telecom Inc., the company markets and services cellular telephones, facsimile machines and other telecommunications products.

CONTACT: Resurgens Communications Group Inc., Atlanta
Michael P. Marshall, 404/261-6190

-30- 1208
#90242b0806 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire

HILLIARD, OHIO (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Medex Inc. (NASDAQ:MDEX) has declared a 10 cent per share annual dividend on the common stock of the company payable Oct. 5, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 24, 1990.

This represents an 11 percent increase over the 1989 dividend of 9 cents per share. Commencing in fiscal 1992, the company will change from an annual to a semi-annual dividend at a rate to be established.

The board of directors also set the annual meeting date for Friday, Nov. 30, 1990. The record date for voting at the annual meeting will be Sept. 24, 1990.

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Robert F. Durbin, 614/876-2413

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#90242b0820 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire

CONCORD, MA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad Inc. today announced the availability of Test Palette, a new software option that allows users of GenRad's GR227X and GR228X Board Test Systems to utilize a user-friendly, PC-based windowing environment to enhance their testers' utility, while enjoying significant savings in programming time and costs.

John O'Bryan, Tactical Marketing Manager for the GR227X/8X product lines at GenRad said, ''By adding the Test Palette option, owners of GR227X and GR228X systems will now have the ability to utilize the power of the PC

windowing environment while maintaining quick access to the GenRad tester environment.'' Expands System Capabilities

GenRad's Test Palette software option adds several easy-to-use advanced features to GenRad's GR227X and GR228X board test systems. Features such as Data Display for gathering and highlighting test process information...Waveform Display to help identify failing IC tests during debug...Remote Tester Control to permit debug, programming and other assistance from remote locations...and Context Sensitive on-line help for quick access to programming questions.

Test Palette's Data Display provides color-graphic reports containing process information at the click of a mouse. The reports are displayed in either 3D color pie charts, 3D color bar charts, or multi-line charts permitting real-time reports on yield, failure mix, failure trends, test times, board volume, top ten failures, and top ten failing components.

Thomas J. Coughlin, GenRad's director of Tactical Marketing, noted that, now, with this low-cost option, GenRad users can quickly see if yield is improving, examine trends, and make other process assessments that will help them maintain peak efficiency in their manufacturing/test operations. He added, ''This becomes more critical in today's highly competitive electronics industry.'' Color Highlighting Helps Speed Digital Debug

Test Palette's Waveform Display provides a new time-saving tool for the digital debug process. Its multi-color display capabilities enable the system operator to view a digital burst of information with failing data waveforms flagged in highlighted color so that problems stand out for easy identification and faster debugging.

GenRad Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems and automatic test equipment, to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing and process quality management. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its trading symbol is GEN.

CONTACT: GenRad, Concord
Raymond F. McNulty, 508/369-4400, ext. 2970.

-30- 2887

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AKRON, OH (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The company has announced to its analysts today that July and August Contract Activity has been particularly sluggish and consequently may lower third quarter projections.

CONTACT: Chempower Inc., Akron
Beth A. Yake, 216/896-4202.

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#90242b0826 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire
BALTIMORE (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Choices Entertainment Corp. (NASDAQ:CECS) Thursday announced that it has extended the expiration of the period during which Class C Common Stock Purchase Warrants (''Class C Warrants'') will be issued upon the exercise of its outstanding redeemable Class B Common Stock Purchase Warrants (''Class B Warrants''), from Aug. 31 to Sept. 28.

Each Class B Warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase 1.2 shares of Common Stock at an exercise price of $3.25 at any time through June 7, 1993. In addition, for every two Class B Warrants exercised prior to Sept. 28, 1990, holders will receive, at no additional consideration, one Class C Warrant. Each Class C Warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase one share of Common Stock at an exercise price of $1.875 at any time through December 31.

Choices Entertainment Corp. is engaged in the establishment of movies and music superstores, which rent and sell video cassettes, compact discs and other movie/music media.

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Richard C. Smith, 301/644-3100.

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#90242b0831 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire
NASHVILLE, TN (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Telecom Inc. (NYSE:NT) Thursday announced a distribution agreement with Digitel Corp. of Atlanta, for future sales and service of the Vantage Key System product line. Effective immediately, Digitel will assume responsibility for Northern Telecom's Meridian Key Systems division for product sales, distribution, technical support, and field service of the entire Vantage product portfolio, including sales and service to the current Vantage customer base.

''This is an agreement with one of our most successful regional distributors,'' said John Losier, vice president, Meridian Key Systems division. ''The agreement combines the reliability of our product line with Digitel's excellent reputation for service, ensuring that our customers will continue receiving the same high level of support they have always received from Northern Telecom.''

The Vantage product line, introduced in 1982, includes the Vantage 4, Vantage 8, Vantage 12 and the Vantage 48 small business key systems, with an installed base of 250,000 systems.

''Digitel is prepared to assume immediate distribution and technical support of Northern Telecom's Vantage product line,'' said Bryan Tate, president and CEO, Digitel Corp. ''We look forward to consolidating the sales and service process so that our customers can have a single point of contact for the Vantage line.''

Digitel, an authorized distributor of Northern Telecom products, has been selling Vantage telephone systems since 1983. The company has since built a large base of customers in major cities across the United States.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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or
Northern Telecom Inc., Nashville
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#90242b0833 08/30/1990 ~Business Wire

WORCESTER, MA (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Peoples Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:PEBW) the holding company for Peoples Savings Bank, Thursday voted to increase its regular quarterly dividend on the company's common stock from 30 cents to 31 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on Oct. 19, 1990, to shareholders of record at Oct. 2, 1990

''This increase in the dividend is based on our continuing confidence in the company's financial strength and operating performance,'' said Woodbury C. Titcomb, president and chief executive officer. ''At this new quarterly rate, the dividend will be an annualized $1.24 per share. Only a few of the banks in Peoples' peer group continue to offer any dividend at all, and our annualized rate is by far the highest of the group.''

Titcomb continued, ''Our first quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share was declared on November 24, 1986, and it has been increased in each of the 15 ensuing quarters. We are very pleased with this new annualized rate, and it is our board's intention to consider any future increases annually, hereafter.''

''To begin implementing this new policy, we will consider increasing our

dividend in late 1991,'' said Titcomb. ''At that time, we expect to have substantially completed the process of consolidating the deposit and loan systems of two banks that we acquired from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) - the former First Service Bank for Savings of Leominster, acquired in April 1989, and the former Milford Savings Bank, acquired in July 1990.''

Separately, Peoples also announced a move toward final settlement with the FDIC of money owed Peoples in connection with its acquisition of the First Service Bank for Savings of Leominster.

Following 16 months of complex transactions, Peoples has received a payment of $27 million from the FDIC. Approximately $5.5 million represents accumulated interest, which has been a non-earning asset. Titcomb said that the $5.5 million would be employed in earning assets, thereby producing higher yields and improving Peoples' overall net interest margin. A small balance remains unsettled pending the resolution of litigation between the FDIC and a third party concerning the ability of the FDIC to assign certain assets to Peoples as contemplated by the agreement, and the resolution of unclaimed deposits.

Through its principal subsidiary, Peoples Savings Bank, the company provides a wide range of retail and commercial banking services to a broad customer base throughout 28 offices located in central and northwestern Massachusetts.

CONTACT: Peoples Bancorp of Worcester Inc., Worcester
James K. Hunt or Joan S. Scano, 508/791-3861.

-30- 2925
#90242c0002 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Caribbean Select Inc.(TICKER: CSEL) lost $496,874, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $4.51 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $32,266, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.68 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90242c0003 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Balchem Corp.(TICKER: BLCC) earned $112,401, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $2.63 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $46,158, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $2.30 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90242c0004 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ramapo Financial Corp.(TICKER: RMPO) earned $294,000, or $0.24 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $666,000, or $0.50 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 418
#90242c0005 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Channel American LPTV Holdings Inc.(TICKER: LPTV) lost $1.45 million, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $228,630 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $1.13 million, or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $152,993 for the same period in 1989.

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#90242c0006 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Nalcap Holdings Inc.(TICKER: NPHI) earned $2.46 million (including a gain of $721,250 from discontinued operations), or $1.95 per share, on revenues of $4.75 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $1.49 million (including a loss of $82,810 from discontinued operations), or $1.05 per share, on revenues of $5.38 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90242c0007 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Asiamerica Equities (TICKER: ASIA) earned $1.33 million, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $5.68 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.19 million, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $6.59 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90242c0008 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The

Shepaug Corp. reported first quarter earnings of $1.40 million on revenues of $15.36 million for the period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $893,700 on revenues of $14.64 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 458

#90242c0010 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Ault Inc.(TICKER: AULT) lost $167,645, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $17.10 million for the fiscal year ended May 27, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $594,079, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $17.63 million for the year ended May 28, 1989.

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#90242c0011 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Creative Learning Products Inc.(TICKER: CLPI) lost $764,802, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $720,054 for the year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $311,490, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $595,832 for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1989.

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#90242c0012 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Digital Optronics Corp.(TICKER: DOCC) lost $100,620, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.46 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $455,543, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $558,643 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 479

#90242c0013 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Xsirius Inc.(TICKER: XSIR) lost $547,000, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $228,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $345,000, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $212,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 446

#90242c0014 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Biocontrol Technology Inc.(TICKER: BICO) lost $321,253, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $214,515 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $201,980, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $62,368 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 483

#90242c0015 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Medical Technology Systems reported first quarter income of $187,589, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.06 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $138,147, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $580,635 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 505

#90242c0016 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Homecall Inc.(TICKER: HCLL) lost $51,543, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.47 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $21,100, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.23 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 483

#90242c0018 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:38 that trade in Envirosafe Services Inc. (NASDAQ: ENVI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 15 1/4. The company is located in King of Prussia,PA.

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#90242c0019 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:44 that trade in Envirosource Inc. (NASDAQ: ENSO) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 1/2. The company is located in Stamford, CT.

-30- 338

#90242c0020 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:47 that trade in Bioplasty Inc. (NASDAQ: BIOP) has been halted pending news. The last

bid-ask was 6 7/8, 7 1/4.

-30- 302
#90242c0021 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:52 that trade in Sterling Medical Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: SSYS) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 1 5/16, 1 7/16. The company is located in West Valley City, UT.

-30- 383
#90242c0022 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:58 that trade in Sierra Tucson Companies (NASDAQ: STSN) has been resumed. The first sale was 8 1/4; down 4 points from the halt, and down 8 points from the previous close.

-30- 373
#90242c0023 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:35 that trade in Sterling Medical Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: SSYS) has been resumed. The first bid was 1 5/8; up 5/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 371
#90242c0024 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Triton Energy has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol OIL. Trading was resumed at 10:27.

-30- 339
#90242c0026 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:03 that trade in Cornucopia Resources LTD (NASDAQ: CNPGF) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1 11/32. The company is located in Vancouver, BC.

-30- 359
#90242c0027 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:11 that trade in Bioplasty Inc. (NASDAQ: BIOP) has been resumed. The first bid was 6 3/4; down 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 342

#90242c0028 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Daily Journal Corp.(TICKER: DJCO) earned $137,956, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $7.39 millionfor the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $138,267, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $5.50 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 467

#90242c0029 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 17, 1990, Crowley Financial Services (TICKER: CRLY) completed negotiations and consummated a letter of intent with J.W. Gant Associates Inc.

The letter of intent contemplates a public offering of up to $2.50 million of Crowley's common stock. Crowley reports it is anticipated that the offering will be made during the fourth quarter of 1990.

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#90242c0030 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - Dallas Oil & Minerals Inc.(TICKER: FOIL) previously filed a 10-Q filing with the NASD in which it was reported it earned $91,992, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $413,620 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

These were the actual figures for Dallas Oil & Minerals Inc.'s quarterly period ended June 30, 1989.

Dallas Oil & Minerals lost $70,798, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $394,273 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

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#90242c0031 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 15, 1990, Dollar Savings Association (TICKER: DSVG) announced it was named a defendant in a declaratory judgment action filed in a Pennsylvania court by F.N.B. Corp.(TICKER: FBAN).

F.N.B. Corp. is the bank holding company that earlier agreed to purchase Dollar Savings for $27 a share under an agreement dated Feb. 27, 1990.

In the declaratory judgment, F.N.B. Corp. has sought a ruling from the court that it has the right to terminate the purchase transaction.

In a press release issued by Dollar Savings, Joseph Lambo, its executive vice president, is quoted as saying "We believe that F.N.B. Corp. has no right to terminate the contract. We do not believe they have the right to terminate the agreement and are ready, willing and able to close. We intend to hold F.N.B. Corp. fully responsible for any damages incurred."

-30- 1061

#90242c0032 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lyric Energy Inc.(TICKER: LYRC) lost $60,794, at an unknown price per share, on revenues $73,331 for the quarter ended Jan. 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $67,744, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $63,611 for the same period ended a year earlier.

-30- 477

#90242c0034 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Revotek Inc.(TICKER: RVTK) announced on Aug. 23, 1990 that it expects its year-end financial statements for 1991 to reflect a loss from operations of approximately $220,000.

Revotek Inc. reports it currently has approximately $3.2 million in cash pending the acquisition of one or more suitable new businesses.

Revotek's executive office is located at 450 East 1000 North, North Salt Lake, Utah 84054 and its telephone number is (801) 292-7616.

-30- 675

#90242c0035 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - Convoy Capital Corp.(TICKER: CNVC) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it lost $429,438 on revenues of $510,505 for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $119,425, on revenues of $483,801 for the same period in 1989.

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#90242c0036 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:52 that trade in Lodgistix Inc. (NASDAQ: LDGX) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 11 1/16. The company is located in Wichitaw, KS.

-30- 334
#90242c0037 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:57 that trade in Sulcus Computer Corp. (NASDAQ: SUCC) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 1 1/8, 1 3/8. The company is located in Greensburg, PA.

-30- 359
#90242c0038 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Vidcom Post Inc. earned $34,385, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $756,436 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $17,751, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $462,627 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 474
#90242c0039 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lloyd's Acceptance Corp.(TICKER: LAAC) lost $78,380, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $149,500 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $6,903, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $246,500 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 496
#90242c0040 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Xplor Corp.(TICKER: XPLR) earned $41,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $5,000), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $541,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $70,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $400,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 492
#90242c0042 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Holland Industries Inc.(TICKER: HLDI) reported income of $493,646, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $4.83 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net profit of $404,136, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $2.81 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 500
#90242c0043 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Copytele Inc.(TICKER: COPY) lost $268,017, or $0.02 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $286,737, or $0.03 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

Copytele Inc. reports that it is a development stage enterprise, and that since its inception in November, 1982, it has had no revenues.

It was incorporated with the intent of designing and developing a new type of display and related systems for the presentation of data and graphic information.

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#90242c0044 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Security Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: SECB) earned $7.34 million, or $0.63 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $6.68 million, or $0.56 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 448
#90242c0045 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Vacation Publications Inc. lost $198,687, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $2.77 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $218,349, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $2.57 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1989.

-30- 483
#90242c0046 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows ABS Industries (TICKER: ABSI) reported $939,000, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $11.51 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a net gain of $402,000, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $9.12 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 476
#90242c0047 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Multnomah Kennel Club (TICKER: MKLN) earned $336,357, or $0.39 per share, on revenues of $5.09 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total profit of $345,494, or $0.40 per share, on revenues of $5.18 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 487
#90242c0048 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows NBS National Benefit Services (TICKER: NBSN) lost $575,184, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $3.88 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $771,294, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $3.40 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1989.

-30- 507
#90242c0050 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Orthopedic Services Inc.(TICKER: OSII) lost $74,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $8.79 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $97,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $5.82 million for the same period in 1989.

Orthopedic Services Inc.'s executive office is located at Eight Valley Forge Executive Mall, Suite 400, 650 East Swedesford Road, Wayne, PA 19087 and its telephone number is: (215) 687-8080.

-30- 688
#90242c0051 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:48 that trade in Envirosafe Services Inc. (NASDAQ: ENVI) has been resumed. The first sale was 14 3/4; down 1/2 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90242c0052 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:52 that trade in Envirosource Inc. (NASDAQ: ENSO) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/2; down 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90242c0053 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:57 that trade in Somerset Group Inc (NASDAQ: SOMR) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 6. The company is located in Indianapolis, IN.

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#90242c0054 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Galactic Resources has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol GLC. Trading was resumed at 13:45.

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#90242c0055 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:01 that trade in Somerset Group Inc. (NASDAQ: SOMR) has been resumed. The first sale was 6 1/4; up 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 350
#90242c0056 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - Stoneridge Resources Inc.(TICKER: SER) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer $30 million aggregate principal amount of convertible subordinated debentures due Oct. 1, 2010.

The debentures are convertible into shares of common stock at any time prior to maturity, unless previously redeemed, at a price per share to be determined.

Jefferies & Co. Inc. is underwriting the offering.

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#90242c0058 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - Vida Ventures Ltd. has filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1.60 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one warrant to purchase one share of common stock at $3.00 per share.

The initial public offering price is $1.00 per unit.

Hayne, Miller & Farni Inc. is underwriting the offering.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the

proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

Vida Ventures LTD's executive office is located at 5200 Willson Road, Suite 107, Edina, MN 55424 and its telephone number is (612) 926-4626.

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#90242c0059 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - American Diplomate Insurance Co. has filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1.50 million shares of its common stock in units consisting of 1,000 shares at an initial public offering price of $10.00 per share or $10,000 per unit.

American Diplomate is a corporation to be organized under the laws of the state of Florida as a domestic licensed insurer.

American Diplomate Insurance Co. intends to provide medical malpractice insurance to those physicans specializing exclusively in the field of internal medicine.

American Diplomate Insurance Co.'s executive office is located at 4902 Eisenhower Blvd., Suite 297, Tampa, Florida 33634 and its telephone number is (813) 885-4646.

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#90242c0060 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - Western Publishing Group Inc.(TICKER: WPGI) filed a Form S-3 registration statement with the SEC relating to 516,422 shares of its common stock to be registered on behalf of certain selling shareholders of Western Publishing Group Inc.

The selling shareholders are:

Zeb Billings - 300,705 shares to be offered
Deborah J. Billings - 85,284 shares to be offered
Gary Roy Billings - 130,433 shares to be offered

Western Publishing creates, publishes, prints and markets children's books in the United States.

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#90242c0061 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - Electronics for Imaging Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one warrant to purchase one-half share of common stock of Electronics for Imaging Inc.

The initial public offering price is $6.50 per unit.

Whale Securities Co. is underwriting the offering.

Electronics for Imaging Inc., a development stage firm, was organized for the purpose of developing and commercializing products incorporating its proprietary color imaging technologies.

To date, Electronics for Imaging Inc.'s efforts have been focused on applications of such technologies to color desktop publishing.

Electronics for Imaging Inc.'s executive office is located at 950 Elm Ave., San Bruno, CA 94066 and its telephone number is (415) 742-3400.

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#90242c0062 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - Drug Research Corp. plc has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts for ordinary shares of the par value of 4 pence each of Drug Research Corp. plc.

Drug Research Corp. plc is incorporated in Ireland.

The depositary bank is Bank of New York and its telephone number is (212) 495-1727.

Fifty million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $5 per unit.

The registration fee is $625.

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#90242c0063 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - Columbus Energy Corp.(TICKER: CMBE) filed a registration statement with the SEC covering 724,941 shares of common stock, all of which are being offered by selling shareholders.

Columbus Energy Corp. reports at May 31, 1990, its book value was $6.69 million, or $2.43 per share.

Columbus Energy engages in the production and sale of crude oil condensate and natural gas as well as the acquisition and development of leaseholds and other interests in oil and gas properties and also acts as manager and

operator of oil and gas properties for itself and others.

Columbus Energy Corp.'s executive office is located at 1860 Lincoln Street, No. 1100, Denver, Colorado 80295 and its telephone number is (303) 861-5252.

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#90242c0064 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:13 that trade in Cornucopia Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: CNPGF) has been resumed. The first sale was 16 11/32; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90242c0066 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology Inc., (TICKER: SDOT) a Tampa, Fla., salvage company that discovered the wreck of a Spanish galleon off the Florida Keys last year, has discovered a second wreck off Florida's east coast, this one believed to be a colonial-era ship from the 1600's.

Depending on the availability of financing, Seahawk expects to begin salvage operations on the newly discovered wreck in the early fall, although no definitive plans have been set, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

If the company is unable to begin recovery this fall, the operation will have to wait until next spring.

Divers for Seahawk have begun retrieving artifacts from the sunken Spanish galleon and have recovered seven gold finger bars, an emerald ring, two mariner's astrolabes-a navigational device used during the 1600's, silver coins, a Spanish olive jar, musket balls and ceramics.

Four of the gold bars are stamped with a mark that resembles marks bars found in 1985 aboard the Atocha, a galleon sunk in 1622 that was part of a convoy of about 28 ships.

Nine of those ships were believed to have been sunk when a hurricane hit the fleet on its way out of the Caribbean.

The Seahawk find is believed to have been part of that fleet.

The wreck was discovered about 1,500 feet deep in international waters south of the Florida Keys.

Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology Inc. presented a bell from the wreck in June

1989 to secure an admiralty claim for the U.S. District Court.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 29, 1990

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#90242c0067 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - Acceptance Acquisition Bloomfield Hills, Mich.-based Stoneridge Resources Inc.(TICKER: SRE), an insurance, real-estate,finance and agribusiness company, plans to float up to $30 million principal amount of convertible senior subordinated debentures due 2010 to help repay a loan incurred in the 1989 acquisition of Acceptance Insurance Holdings Inc.

About $20.2 million of the proceeds will be used to finish repaying loans received from Chase Manhattan Bank N.A. and National Westminister Bank USA for the Acceptance acquisition.

The rest will be used to pay down debt under Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology Inc.'s $30 million revolving credit line, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The debentures will be convertible into common stock before maturity.

Jeffries & Co. Inc. will underwrite the offering.

Stoneridge has agreed to sell 2,200 acres of citrus groves in St.Lucie County, Fla. to an unidentified buyer, and is marketing another 3,000 acres.

Orange-co Inc., Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology Inc.'s 52 percent owned subsidiary, will sell of the St. Lucie County groves.

Stoneridge also owns more than 600 acres of prime Florida land through its Major Realty Corp. subsidiary, including 270 acres in Orlando adjacent to Universal Studios Florida and near Walt Disney World and Epcot Center.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 29, 1990

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#90242c0068 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - Scott Paper Co.(TICKER: SPP), a Philadelphia based paper-products manufacturer and seller, plans to float up to $350 million principal amount of debt securities periodically.

Scott Paper Co. will also offer $150 million in previously registered securities, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Scott will use the proceeds to repay commercial-paper borrowings, refund long term debt, and for Scott Paper Co.'s capital spending and acquisition program.

Underwriters may include Goldman, Sachs & Co., Salomon Brothers Inc. and Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 29, 1990.

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#90242c0069 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - Atlanta-based Health Images Inc. (TICKER: HIMG), an operator of magnetic-resonance imaging centers, plans to raise about $15 million with an offering of 1.5 million common shares.

About $9.2 million of the proceeds will be used to retire secured floating rate bank debt and about $800,000 will be used to retire bank debt that bears an 11.5 percent interest rate.

The balance of the proceeds will be used to expand Health Images Inc.'s business, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Health Images owns interests in 24 MRI centers in Georgia (7), Pennsylvania (5), Maryland (1), Florida (2), South Carolina (3), Texas (3), New Jersey (1), Illinois (1), and Tennessee (1), and will own interests in eight centers being built in Florida (1), Illinois (2), Texas (3), South Carolina (1) and Britain (1).

Health Images Inc. is also developing an oncology center in Williamsport, Pa., to provide outpatient radiation treatment for cancer patients.

Health Images Inc.'s common stock lists on NASDAQ under the symbol HIMG and traded for $9.62 a share Aug. 27.

The registered stock will represent about 18 percent of Health Images Inc. after the offering.

Robertson, Stephens & Co. and Stephens Inc. will underwrite the sale.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 29, 1990.

-30- 1549
#90242c0070 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - New York-based Willcox & Gibbs Inc. (TICKER: WG), a distributor of electrical components and supplies to apparel manufacturers, has acquired Filix Lastex, S.A., a Troyes, France-based $44 million.

The transaction took place through Willcox & Gibbs' wholly owned French subsidiary, Willcox & Gibbs (France) S.A.

Financing was arranged through Citibank N.A. and NCNB National Bank of North Carolina, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 29, 1990.

-30- 732
#90242c0071 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

MERCURY ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC OWNS 420,000 SHARES (5.40%) OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICE INC (TICKER: HOSS) OF GALVESTON, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Mercury Asset Management PLC purchased 303,000 shares from Feb. 1 to May 11, 1990 for $7.25 to $8.88 per share and sold 200,000 shares from Feb. 28 to Aug. 14, 1990 for $7.13 to $9.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90242c0072 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 24, 1990, Toys Plus Inc. agreed to purchase 9,375,000 shares from CW Holding Corp. and CNC Holding Corp. in exchange for noncash consideration. CNC Holding has agreed to exchange the consideration to be received from Toys Plus for certain senior subordinated notes of CNC Holding held by Executive Life Insurance Co. and has agreed to a modification of the terms of certain other CNC Holding securities owned by such holder. The stock purchase agreement has a closing date of Nov. 30 or at CNC's election, Dec. 5, 1990. Also on Aug. 24, J. A.Cole and Toys Plus entered into a plan of merger that provides for the merger of a Toys Plus subsidiary into J.A. Cole. Each share of common stock held by the public would be exchanged for $14.

PURPOSE:

Stock purchase agreement.

-30- 1022
#90242c0074 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 46

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Certain of Sutton's stockholders have expressed an interest in acquiring Desoto Inc.'s (TICKER: DSO) detergents business through the acquisition of all the equity of Desoto Inc. that remain after Desoto Inc.'s liquidation sales.

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#90242c0075 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:50 that trade in Sulcus Computer Corp. (NASDAQ: SUCC) has been resumed. The first bid was 1 1/8; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 350
#90242c0076 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:28 that trade in Subaru of America Inc.(NASDAQ: SBRU) has been resumed. The first sale was 8 7/8; up 7/16 from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90242c0077 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:38 that trade in Lodgistix Inc.(NASDAQ: LDGX) has been resumed. The first sale was 9 1/16; down 1/8 from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 337
#90242c0078 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Dimension Group Inc. formerly employed Jeffrey M. Brinn, a certified public accountant, to audit Dimension Group Inc.'s financial statements for 1987 and 1988.

As a result of Dimension Group Inc.'s minimum amount of working capital and to reduce audit costs, Dimension Group Inc.'s board of directors voted to change accountants and have replaced Brinn with Jerome Goldberg, as of May 24, 1990.

Brinn was not employed in any other auditing capacity with Dimension Group Inc.

Audits performed by the former auditor contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

The executive office of Dimension Group is located at 9942 NW Sixth Place, Plantation, Florida 33324 and its telephone number is (305) 452-0404.

-30- 1027
#90242c0079 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Epic Healthcare Group Inc. replaced the accounting firm of Arthur Andersen & Co. with Ernst & Young on Aug. 21, 1990 to examine the books and accounts of Healthcare Group Inc. for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1990.

The decision replace Arthur Andersen with Ernst & Young was recommended by Healthcare Group Inc.'s management and approved by its board of directors.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by the former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

Epic Healthcare's executive office is located at 3333 Lee Parkway, Suite 900, Dallas, TX 75219 and its telephone number is (214) 443-3333.

-30- 959
#90242c0080 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Neco Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: NPT) accepted the resignation of director and Richard J. Hayes and tabled his resignation as treasurer and chief financial officer until a replacement is selected.

The board also accepted the resignation of David F. LaRoche as president and elected Paul E. Buff as new president and chief operating officer.

Buff will continue to perform his duties as president of Quechee Lakes Corp., a wholly- owned subsidiary.

LaRoche assumed the position of secretary and will continue as chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

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#90242c0082 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Colonial Gas Co.'s (TICKER: CGES) request for a rate increase was approved Aug. 17 by the Massachusetts Dept. of Public Utilities (DPU).

This is Colonial Gas Co.'s first base rate increase since 1984.

The approval authorizes Colonial Gas Co. to increase its rates to produce additional revenues of $7.9 million annually.

This figure can be broken down to an overall $4.4 million increase for Colonial Gas Co.'s 65,000 Lowell-area customers, and an overall increase of $3.5 million for its 55,000 Cape Cod customers.

The agreement stipulates that the increase will not take effect until Nov. 1, 1990.

Colonial Gas Co. states that even with the increase, its rates are lower than they were five years ago, as a result of lower-cost natural gas supplies.

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#90242c0083 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Benedict Nuclear Pharmaceuticals Inc.(TICKER: BENE) designated a new series of preferred stock, designated as no par value Class A convertible preferred stock.

An aggregate of 200,000 shares are authorized in the series at an issue price of $10 per share.

The stock is non-voting and holders are entitled to a liquidation preference senior to the holders of the common stock and junior to the holders of Benedict Nuclear Pharmaceuticals Inc.'s 15%/30% cumulative convertible preferred stock, which is issued and outstanding.

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#90242c0084 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Double Helix Films Inc.(TICKER: DHFI) is a defendant in a commercial arbitration proceeding before the American Arbitration Association in Los Angeles, CA.

The hearing is scheduled for Sept. 24, 1990.

The claimant, a distribution agent, claims $480,000 in actual damages and $500,000 in punitive damages in connection with Double Helix Films Inc.'s alleged breach of an agency agreement.

Management of Double Helix Films Inc. will vigorously defend this action.

Double Helix Films Inc. believes this action will be unsuccessful in arbitration and that it will have no liability.

Double Helix Films Inc. has been apprised that in New York, the arbitrator has no authority to award punitive damages.

Double Helix Films Inc. also has made a change in its fiscal year end.

The agreement and plan of merger is dated Dec. 22, 1989, between Double Helix, Communications and Entertainment Corp. (ComEnt) and Odyssey Merger Corp.

ComEnt has a fiscal year ending June 30.

The board of directors of Double Helix Films Inc. authorized the organization to change its fiscal year end for financial statement reporting purposes to conform to that of ComEnt.

Double Helix Films Inc. will therefore not file a 10-Q report for its second quarter, and will instead file an annual or 10-K report as of June 30 that will contain all required financial statements.

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#90242c0085 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 27:

MacLand Inc. (MACL), Units 9/27/91 (MACLU), Wts 9/27/91 (MACLW)

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#90242c0086 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 28:

Mountain West Savings Bank F.S.B. (MWSB); Acquired by Security Pacific Bancorp Northwest

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#90242c0087 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Dev-Tech Corp.(TICKER: DVTC) earned $53,125, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.09 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $39,605, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $579,492 for the same period in 1989.

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#90242c0088 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Symetrics Industries Inc.(TICKER: SYMT) earned $5,260, or $0.01 per share, on revenues $736,561 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $3,112, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.26 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90242c0090 08/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Y&A Group Inc.(TICKER: YGRP) earned $445,391, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $4 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $296,851, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $3.02 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90242c0091 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Telenetics Corp.(TICKER: TNET) lost $400,517, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $456,304 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $352,465, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $313,296 for the same period in 1989.

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#90242c0092 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Medical Depot Inc.(TICKER: MEDD) lost $1.68 million, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $469,356 for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $148,808, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $121,965 in fiscal 1989.

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#90242c0093 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Jones Spacelink Ltd.(TICKER: SPLK) lost $5.75 million (including an extraordinary loss of $2 million), or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $115.87 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $6.38 million, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $78.20 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90242c0094 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Schwerman Trucking Co.(TICKER: SRTR) earned $455,924, or $1.02 per share, on revenues of $13.91 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of$233,484, or $0.49 per share, on revenues of $12.96 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90242c0095 08/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 16, 1990, Sentra Securities Corp. appointed Peterson & Co. as its independent accountants, replacing KPMG PEat Marwick.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial

statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

Sentra's executive office is located at 1455 Frazee Road, Suite 600, San Diego, CA 92108 and its telephone number is (619) 296-5885.

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#90242d0070 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (AUG. 30) - A visiting U.S. congressional delegation said Thursday it was "deeply disturbed" by the repression of ethnic Albanians by Serbian authorities in Kosovo Province, the Tanjug news agency reported.

In a statement issued a day after a visit to the Kosovo capital Pristina, the U.S. senators also denounced the "brutal" use of force by Serbian security forces against ethnic Albanian demonstrators, Tanjug said.

"The delegation was struck by the contrast between the rapid drive towards democracy and free enterprise economics in Croatia and Slovenia, on the one hand, and the perpetuation of old line communist repression in Serbia," said the statement released in the Croatian capital Zagreb.

"The delegation subsequently learned that while it was in Belgrade, Serbian military and police brutally dispersed a crowd of at least 10,000 Albanians who had peacefully assembled in Kosovo in the hope of welcoming the delegation.

"The delegation is deeply disturbed at this fresh evidence that Serbian authorities are engaged in a systematic pattern of violating the human rights of Albanians," it added.

The U.S. congressional delegation, headed by Republican Senator Robert Dole of Kansas, came here to examine first-hand the situation in Kosovo, where the majority ethnic Albianian population is demanding autonomy from Serbia.

On Wednesday, police used clubs, tear gas and water cannons to disperse thousands of the ethnic Albanians who had gathered outside the Grand Hotel in Pristina, many of them waving the American flag, to welcome the delegation.

When police ordered them to disperse, some members of the crowd started throwing stones at the security forces.

Belgrade television said Thursday that "numerous" demonstrators and 27

policemen were injured during the "separatist demonstration" and that 47 ethnic Albanians had been interrogated by police.

Serbia reduced Kosovo's autonomy through constitutional changes in 1989, and on July 2 scrapped the provincial government after ethnic Albanian members of the Kosovo parliament proclaimed the province independent.

Serbia has blacked out the local television, radio and Albanian-language newspapers, and transferred funds held by the National Bank of Kosovo to the Kosovo Interior Ministry and Serbian Railways.

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#90242d0350 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (AUG. 30) - Bangladesh has appealed to a dozen friendly nations for material help in repatriating tens of thousands of its stranded nationals in the Gulf, an official said Thursday.

Spokesman Mustafizur Rahman told reporters that Dhaka had also decided to pull out the family members and non-essential staff from Bangladesh's embassy in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Despite Iraq's demand that foreign embassies in Kuwait shut down, the Bangladesh Embassy headed by Ambassador Shehabuddin Ahmed remained open with its five diplomats and 15 staff members.

Mr. Rahman said the appeal for help in the form of aircraft and ships to repatriate an estimated 80,000 Bangladeshis from Kuwait was conveyed to a group of Dhaka-based ambassadors invited to a meeting here Thursday.

The meeting was attended by ambassadors or high commissioners from the United States, Britain, Italy, Belgium, Australia, Sweden, Canada, Japan, West Germany, France, Holland, Denmark and the European Economic Community.

He said the initial response from the envoys was "positive." "We have asked for transports, but in case they don't have any to offer, they can help financially to charter planes and ships for repatriation," Mr. Rahman said.

Some 3,000 of an estimated 40,000 Bangladeshis from Kuwait now stranded in Saudi Arabia, Jordan or on the Turkish border have been flown back home in the past week by a chartered Biman Bangladesh airlines DC-10.

Mr. Rahman said he regretted that a previous request from Dhaka for the United Nations to help repatriate its nationals had had no response. "We are disappointed with the U.N. on this," he said.

Mr. Rahman said the Geneva-based International Organisation for Migration

had offered to pay for the repatriation expenses of 4,000 Bangladeshis by ship from the Jordanian port of Aqaba.

Dhaka has already allocated 100 million taka (2.85 million dollars) to repatriate its citizens.

President Hossain Mohammad Ershad Thursday offered to mediate a peaceful solution to the dispute, the official BSS news agency reported.

But Mr. Ershad said he could only mediate a solution to the dispute between Iraq and Kuwait after Kuwait's legitimate government was restored and Iraq withdrew from the emirate.

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#90242d0740 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) - U.S. warships in the Gulf region have challenged some 250 merchant vessels this week as part of an international effort to enforce a U.N. embargo against Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, the Defense Department said Thursday.

The Pentagon also gave some details on deployments, saying the armed forces had moved to Saudi Arabia in three weeks as many troops and as much equipment as sent to the Korean Peninsula during the first three months of the 1950-1953 Korean War.

Spokesman Pete Williams said fewer than 10 of the merchant ships intercepted in the Gulf region and the Red Sea had been boarded and inspected by U.S. sailors.

Only one of those ships -- a Sri Lankan cargo vessel boarded Tuesday -- was forced to turn around after U.S. authorities discovered the ship was carrying "cargo other than medical supplies," Mr. Williams said.

The U.N. Security Council last Sunday approved Resolution 664 authorizing an international flotilla in the region to use force to back up the embargo, which excludes medical supplies.

The council voted the trade and arms embargo August 6, four days after Iraqi troops overran Kuwait and ousted the Kuwaiti royal family.

After the Iraqi invaders took up position near the Kuwaiti-Saudi border, President George Bush ordered the deployment of tens of thousands of U.S. troops and several dozen warships to the region to help protect Saudi Arabia from a potential Iraqi attack.

Mr. Williams noted that "ships from other nations are also taking part in the intercept operations."

He declined to offer details of which foreign ships were helping to enforce the embargo, but added, "I know that there is a sort of informal conversation among the commanders from various nations." Mr. Williams said the massive deployment of troops and their equipment had experienced some isolated problems, notably mechanical failures that delayed the departure of three transport vessels.

"We just haven't done anything this massive this quickly before," he said. "We may well learn lessons from this, and there may well be changes in our priorities and in the way we operate."

He said F-15 fighters and anti-tank combat helicopters had been sent to Saudi Arabia from European bases.

Mr. Williams said the Pentagon had called up five more army reserve units and was chartering about 20 merchant vessels for the deployment, 11 of them from such countries as Panama, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Norway, Italy and Britain.

He said three reserve air transport units trained in flying C-5 Galaxy cargo planes -- the largest transport plane in the U.S. armed forces -- and two reserve public relations units were being called up.

The Defense Department has so far called 8,870 military reserve personnel to active duty, he said.

Mr. Williams also said Iraqi troop levels in Kuwait and southern Iraq had not changed.

"Iraq has still about 150,000 troops in Kuwait and another roughly 115,000 outside the boundaries of Kuwait," he said.

"(The Iraqi posture) is essentially defensive but maintains the capability to become offensive on very short notice," he added.

The Iraqi forces still "constitute a significant threat to Saudi Arabia," he said.

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#90242d0880 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 30) - North Korea has invented and put into use a new, toxic-free paint which is highly efficient in resisting rust and dirt, the Central Korean News Agency (KCNA) reported Thursday.

The KCNA, monitored here, said the invention of the completely inorganic paint had fully resolved the problem of keeping barnacles from gathering

on the hulls of ships.

The KCNA said the paint could cover 70 percent more area and was longer lasting than conventional paints. It was also environmentally safe.

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#90242d0960 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KOUROU, French Guiana (AUG. 30) - The 38th Ariane space rocket blasted off from this jungle space center Thursday to put a British military communications satellite and a new European telecommunications satellite into orbit.

The rocket was launched from the Kourou Space Center at 2246 GMT.

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#90242d1220 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (AUG. 31) - The United Nations sub-commission on human rights harshly criticized Israel on Thursday for its actions in the occupied territories and called for an Israeli withdrawal.

In a resolution adopted by a large majority, the sub-commission of 26 independent experts condemned Israel for "its gross violations of the international conventions (and) rules of international law," and called on it to "withdraw from the Palestinian and other Arab territories occupied by force."

The sub-commission added that it was "deeply alarmed" at Israel's "persistence in perpetrating massacres against the Palestinian people."

The body also "condemns Israel for establishing Israeli settlements in the occupied Palestinian and other occupied Arab territories" and called for their dismantlement.

The sub-commission reaffirmed "the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people to return to their homeland" and to establish "their independent sovereign State on their national soil."

The experts called for an international conference on the occupied territories to be attended by concerned parties represented, including the Palestine Liberation Organisation.

-30- 1382

#90242d1550 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PUCHHEIM, WEST GERMANY (AUG 31) - Residents of this town just outside Munich are in a flap over the mayor's decision to employ five farmyard

ducks to chase snails at the local cemetery.

Critics say mayor Herbert Kraenzlein took too literally a memo asking local government officials to make new purchases as ''ecologically-compatible'' as possible.

''Irreverent'' cried Kraenzlein's opponents in the town council and demanded that the ducks disappear. Some deputies even wanted the mayor to be officially reprimanded.

''Ducks eat snail's eggs as well,'' said an embattled Kraenzlein in a bid to justify his adversion to sprinkling slug pellets among the gravestones.

''Not even the town clergy thinks the ducks will disturb peace at the cemetery,'' said the mayor who got the idea for a mollusc-free burial zone after a visit to a local garden centre.

Despite the controversy, Kraenzlein has so far only been fretting over how to protect the ducks from foraging martens. For that he needs to employ a keeper.

The birds have meanwhile been given until November to prove their snail-busting ability before a decision is made on whether to keep them in service.

-30- 1365
#90242d1670 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (AUG 31) - The ominous Gulf crisis and the threat it embodies for Israel has convinced many ultra-orthodox Jews that the Messiah is at hand.

"This year, there will be a confrontation in the Gulf that will shake the world. Then the Messiah will come and proclaim that salvation is at hand," said Rabbi Menahem Schneerson in a message to his followers.

Based in New York and a descendant of the venerated Lubavich rabbinical family, the rabbi is an extremely influential figure among the ultra-orthodox community, which accounts for roughly 20 per cent of the Israeli population.

Thousands of Israelis gathered recently in Tiberias, northern Israel, around the tomb of a holy man to "exorcize the designs of the new Nebuchadnezzar (Saddam Hussein)," the king of Babylon who burned Jerusalem destroyed Solomon's temple and deported Jews to Mesapotamia in the sixth century B.C.

In Mea Shearim, one of the oldest districts in the Jewish quarter of

Jerusalem, a man in his 30s, dressed in the garb of the ultra-orthodox, leans against a wall and watches the passers-by.

"The end of the world is near," he whispers.

"After the war that is going to erupt, the nations will make peace amongst themselves to turn against Israel to make it disappear. It is then that the Messiah will come to bring us salvation."

Meir Khayat, who runs a religious bookshop in Mea Shearim, said it was "illogical for the Egyptians, the Syrians and the Saudis to fight their Arab brothers in Iraq.

"When they realize this absurdity, they'll unite to destroy us."

-30- 1775
#90242d5860 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 30) - The Bank of Japan raised its official discount rate from 5.25 percent to six percent Thursday, the fifth increase in 15 months and the key lending rate's highest level in almost nine years.

"The decision was taken to ensure appropriate and flexible management of monetary policy in view of recent developments in economic activity, supply and demand conditions of the labour market, prices and money supply as well as a rise in market interest rates reflecting these developments," the bank said.

"It was based on the judgement that it would be necessary for the Bank of Japan to take a clearer stance to contain inflation," it added.

The bank said it hoped the move would "prevent a resurgence of inflationary pressures, contribute to financial market stability and continue providing for conditions to maintain sustainable growth led by domestic demand."

The discount rate, charged on central bank loans to financial institutions, was last adjusted on March 20 when it rose from 4.25 percent to 5.25 percent.

The bank made the announcement after an emergency meeting of its policy board which was held before the opening of Japanese financial markets.

Bank of Japan governor Yasushi Mieno later told a news conference that the move also aimed to suppress inflationary pressures arising from the recent surge in crude oil prices.

But he also said that Japanese financial markets, already jittery over the impact of higher interest rates and surging oil prices, had already taken

the discount-rate hike into account.

"Markets will head for stability without any further unrest," he said.

Mr. Mieno said earlier that the central bank was particularly concerned about Japan's rapid rate of money supply growth and the labour shortage, adding that the recent surge in oil prices "may also be a major inflationary factor."

Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto said the discount-rate hike was an "appropriate pre-emptive strike against a rekindling of inflation in the face of a labor shortage and continued expansion of the economy."

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#90242d5900 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAVANA (AUG 30) - The Cuban government Wednesday announced it was rationing fuel following a shortfall in oil deliveries from the Soviet Union.

Supplies of fuel for the state-run sector would be cut by half immediately, said a statement. Private motorists will have their petrol allowances reduced from October 30.

Production of cement is also to be slowed down and nickel mining stopped altogether. A new oil refinery will not go on stream as originally planned, said the statement.

According to official sources, Cuba has an oil deficit of two million tons. This represents 20 percent of the Soviet oil deliveries pledged for 1990.

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#90242d5910 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (AUG 30) - Violent crime in New Zealand registered its biggest decrease in more than a decade during the 12 months to June 30, according to police statistics issued Thursday.

Figures for the period show violent crime down 8.5 percent -- the biggest drop since police began collating statistics in 1978 -- continuing a downward trend which began in 1989.

Despite the decrease, crime overall rose by 2.7 percent mainly because of an increase in theft and fraud offences.

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#90242d6060 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) - Iraqi diplomats expelled from the United States in retaliation for the closure of foreign embassies in occupied Kuwait have left the country on a flight to Amman, officials said.

The Royal Jordanian Airlines jet carrying the Iraqis left John F. Kennedy Airport at 11:54 p.m. (0345 GMT) Wednesday, according to a spokesman for the airline.

The airline spokesman, citing "security reasons," declined to say how many Iraqis left on the flight, but a Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) agent told an AFP photographer 91 Iraqis boarded the plane.

The U.S. government Monday ordered 36 staff members of the Iraqi Embassy in Washington, including seven accredited diplomats, to leave the country within 72 hours with their families.

Only 19 Iraqi diplomats have been authorized to remain in Washington, approximately the number of U.S. diplomats in Baghdad and Kuwait City, according to the State Department.

The Iraqi government responded by limiting the number of U.S. diplomats in Baghdad to 19, even though only 12 are currently in Iraq, State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said.

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#90242d6240 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 30) - Malaysia celebrates 33 years of independence Friday with a booming economy blunting racial tensions and affirming its status as one of the Third World's more progressive states.

"We have appropriately picked 'Berjaya' (success) as the theme for this year's festivities," said Information Minister Mohamad Rahmat. "It reflects the progress since 1957 and the fact that we have carved out a nation," he said.

Analysts say the statistics chalked up by this former British colony peopled by Asia's three major races, Malays, Chinese and Indians, are impressive by most standards.

Rapid industrialisation, aided by countries like Japan, Taiwan, the United States and Western European nations, has reduced dependence on commodities like natural rubber and palm oil and boosted growth to well over eight per cent in recent years.

Per capita income has risen above the 2,000 U.S. dollar mark and price increases have been held at four per cent.

Almost every third home has a car and every fourth home a telephone. Television antennae sprout from even the most dilapidated village houses.

In many parts of the country there are more jobs going than workers available.

Mr. Mohamad said that barring a dramatic reversal of economic fortunes, ethnic rivalries and suspicions which divided Malaysians and clouded the nation's early prospects should dissipate.

Government critics say the picture is not all rosy. "If we are making economic progress, I'll say that's happening despite our bungling," said Lim Kit Siang, the parliamentary opposition leader.

Mr. Lim accuses Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad of moral bankruptcy, citing as example the premier's announcement that the recommendations of a council he set up to hammer out a multi-racial consensus on Malaysia's future economic policy would not be binding on the government.

Several opposition politicians and prominent Malaysians quit the 150-member council after the announcement last week.

Some analysts say Dr. Mahathir, approaching his 10th year in office, has exacerbated political divisions even among ethnic Malays who until a few years ago overwhelmingly backed his United Malays National Organisation (UMNO).

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#90242d6360 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 30) - Jordan on Saturday will begin to ration meat, milk, flour and other necessities in response to hoarding following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, Minister of Supply Ibrahim Ayoub said here Thursday.

He said ration cards would also be distributed for the purchase of rice and sugar, which along with the other products can still be found on the open market at prices subsidised by the government.

Jordanian authorities have tried unsuccessfully to check panic buying, notably here in the capital, and have stressed that the country has adequate supplies of food.

King Hussein on August 12 urged his people to economise on electricity and modify their eating habits.

Jordan - dependent on Iraq as an export market as well as for 95 percent of its oil - has warned that the embargo will impose severe hardship on the

Jordanian economy.

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#90242d6390 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (AUG. 30) - High interest rates, which have pushed Australia to the brink of recession, appear set to drop further following a scathing attack on bank lending policies by Treasurer Paul Keating.

Leading banks said a further round of commercial interest rate cuts were under consideration, with at least one, the National Australia Bank (NAB) indicating Thursday that home loan rates could also drop within a few weeks.

NAB managing director Nobby Clark, while conceding rates would fall, countered Mr. Keating's attack by accusing him of "grandstanding" and saying he had to accept responsibility for what monetary policy was doing to the economy.

High interests rates have been the major weapon used by the government against Australia's crippling current account deficit, although it has recently been easing monetary policy to prevent an economic downturn becoming a fullblown recession.

Mr. Keating, however, has made clear his anger about what he perceives to be the failure of banks to give ordinary borrowers the benefits of cuts in official interest rates.

In an unprecedented attack Wednesday, he announced a government inquiry into bank lending margins and warned the banks of "retribution" if they maintained current lending policies.

Mr. Keating, the acknowledged heir-apparent to Prime Minister Bob Hawke, also accused banks of forcing small and medium companies to bear the cost of huge losses incurred through over-generous corporate loans.

The Commonwealth Bank said decreases of up to 0.5 percentage points in interest rates for corporate customers were being considered.

The State Bank of New South Wales, while criticising Mr. Keating's impatience, said a further easing in rates was likely.

Other banks are considered likely to follow suit.

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#90242d6410 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (AUG. 30) - Chinese scientists have succeeded in growing hairy

antlers on female deer after seven years of research.

Deer antlers, a valuable Oriental aphrodisiac, usually come from stags, but 60 does grew double antlers after male hormones were injected into "special acupoints" on their bodies, the New China News Agency (NCNA) said.

Scientists at the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences' Institute of Native Products said that the doe antlers had "the same tissues and medical functions as the pilose antlers of stags," the agency said.

The same institute also found a hormone therapy to make male deer grow new antlers sooner after their old ones are cut, it added.

NCNA did not specify what species of deer were used in either experiment.

Some 300,000 deer - both stags and does - are being raised thoughout China it said.

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#90242d6440 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WOLFSBURG (AUG. 30) - Volkswagen said here Thursday it achieved group earnings of 428 million marks (274 million dollars) in the first half of 1990, up 6.2 percent on the same period last year.

The earnings rise kept pace with group turnover, which also increased by 6.2 percent, to 35.2 billion marks, VW said.

The company said that with demand for automobiles remaining strong, the VW,

Audi and Spanish Seat divisions sold 1.545 million vehicles in the first six months, up 2.8 percent on the same period of 1989.

Of the total, 1.179 million vehicles were sold in West Germany and Western Europe, a gain of 1.7 percent, VW said.

VW sold 101,458 cars in North America, up 0.9 percent, while sales by the Autolatina division in Brazil and Argentina fell 19.4 percent to 108,624. Deliveries by VW's subsidiary in Mexico surged 85.9 percent to 69,672 cars.

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#90242d6520 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STUTTGART (AUG. 30) - The automotive, aerospace, electronics and trading conglomerate Daimler-Benz reported here Tuesday a net profit of 840 million marks (538 million dollars) in the first half of 1990, barely higher than its earnings in the same period last year.

Daimler-Benz said its world group turnover reached 40.37 billion marks, up five percent on turnover in the first half of 1989, when the company produced a net profit of 830 million marks.

Now organized in four separate divisions, Daimler-Benz said the figures were based on the performance of three of the divisions, since the fourth unit just started up on July 1.

The Mercedes-Benz carmaking division posted turnover of 29.55 billion marks, up six percent on the first half of 1989. Car sales in the first six months reached 286,000, up three percent.

The electronics division under the Aeg subsidiary produced turnover of 5.82 billion marks, up four percent, nearly all the growth resulting from domestic business. New orders reached 7.13 billion marks, up six percent.

The Deutsche Aerospace (Dasa) division in which such firms as Dornier, Messerschmitt-Boelkow-Blohm and Mtu are grouped had a turnover of 4.87 billion marks, up five percent.

The fourth division, Daimler-Benz InterServices (debis), began operations on July 1. debis group includes financial services, insurance, trade, and marketing operations.

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#90242d6640 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (AUG. 30) - South and North Korea were a step closer Thursday to a historic meeting of their prime ministers here next week, with North Korean officials handing over a list of delegates to the encounter, officials said.

The Pyongyang officials handed over the list during a two-and-a-half hour meeting at the border truce village of Panmunjom, said the officials.

The South Korean side gave a written guarantee for the safety of the North Korean delegation and both sides agreed that the four-day meeting would take place beginning Tuesday as scheduled.

The two sides also reached agreement on the itinerary to be followed, the officials said.

It will be the first meeting of prime ministers from the two rival states.

The North Korean delegation will comprise 90 visitors - seven high-level delegates to the conference, 33 supporting staff and 50 journalists. They will stay here for three nights and four days and will be lodged at the plush Intercontinental Hotel in southern Seoul.

The delegation will be led by Yon Hyong-Muk, the prime minister of North Korea.

There will be two rounds of prime ministerial talks, the first scheduled for September 5 and second for the following day, the officials said.

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#90242d6670 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 30) - Japanese Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto left Thursday for Paris, the first stop of a four-nation European tour to review the Gulf crisis and its effect on the world economy with his counterparts.

Mr. Hashimoto left Tokyo after his announcement that Japan would provide one billion dollars in aid to support the Gulf multinational force and relieve the nations worst affected by the crisis.

His tour, ending September 6, will take him to France, Italy, West Germany and Britain and focus on talks with his European counterparts on the increase in world crude oil prices and resulting inflationary pressures, ministry officials said.

He will also push the idea of multitlateral aid to the three countries worst affected by the Gulf crisis, Egypt, Turkey and Jordan, with the participation of the large industrialized nations, the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

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#90242d6780 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (AUG. 30) - South Korean stock prices plunged more than three percent on Thursday, ending a three-day rally, as the market was disappointed with new government measures aimed at boosting the market.

The Composite Index fell 20.92 points to close at 626.85, reflecting investors' disappointment at the measures announced Thursday, according to dealers. One dealer said they did not contain anything substantial.

Losses overwhelmed gains 749 to 68, with 312 shares falling to their daily limit lows. Trading volume totaled about 16 million shares, compared with 22 million shares on Wednesday.

Stock prices had risen for the third consecutive session Wednesday on hopes of an easing of tension in the Middle East and expectations about the market-boosting measures.

"We were flooded with selling orders right after the announcement, as investors were reacting nervously to the measures," a dealer said. "They think the measures do not include anything significant."

The government's move included doubling a market stabilization fund to 2.2 trillion won (three billion dollars) by the end of next month and allowing some pension funds to invest directly in the Korean Stock Exchange to broaden the demand base.

"The measures are far from being sufficient. There is no cure remaining but for the government to give direct financial support, as special bank loans to institutional investors and security firms," the dealer said.

Institutional investors and security firms have run out of funds as they have been urged by the government to buy stocks to support stock prices in the past few months.

Many security firms have also faced the risk of bankruptcy due to the falling market, which has lost almost 40 percent in value since the peak in April, market sources said.

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#90242d6800 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 30) - Armenian militants organised as a private army surrendered Thursday in the republican capital Yerevan after spending the night under siege by Soviet soldiers and police, according to Soviet reports.

Some 200 leading members of the Armenian National Army ''surrendered voluntarily'' and began handing in their weapons, Tass news agency and the independent Interfax news service reported.

The militia general staff including commander Asmik Vassilyan were arrested, Tass said, quoting the Soviet Interior Ministry.

The capitulation followed an outbreak of fighting Wednesday in Yerevan in which at least one parliament deputy was killed.

Soviet Interior Ministry troops declared a state of emergency across the Caucasian republic, imposed a curfew in Yereven and sealed off the city district housing the militia headquarters.

Armenian parliament leader Levon Ter-Petrossyan, who helped mediate the surrender conditions, told the Supreme Soviet in Moscow that militia units in other parts of Armenia had also capitulated.

Fighters who gave up their weapons to authorities were being allowed to go

free, Ter-Petrossyan reported.

The curfew and emergency would continue ''until peace and quiet reign in all of Armenia'', Ter-Petrossyan said.

Weapons found at the militia headquarters included some 700 kilograms of explosives, Interfax reported.

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#90242d6880 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Manila (AUG. 30) - Mudslides caused by monsoon rains buried and probably killed at least 48 gold miners in the Philippines, a mining company spokesman said Thursday.

Only fives bodies have been dragged out of the mud so far, the spokesman for Philex Mines said in Tuba City, in the northern province of Benguet.

The disaster occurred on Sunday when massive landslides partly buried two gold mining camps, according to a company security official.

In Nuevo Vixcaya, another province in the northern Philippines, 12 schoold children and three adults died in a landslide Monday, according to reports here Thursday.

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#90242d6910 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (AUG. 30) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and other top officials met here Thursday to finalize plans for radical reform of the centralised Soviet economy in favour of market forces, Tass news agency said.

"We are on the threshold of major decisions," on the future of the economy and reform of the union treaty, Mr. Gorbachev's newly-appointed spokesman Vitaly Ignatenko had told journalists on Wednesday.

"The coming months will be decisive," he added.

The Presidential Council, which regroups over a dozen advisors appointed by Mr. Gorbachev, including Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov, and the Council of the Federation, which includes all the leaders of the 15 Soviet republics, including Russian President Boris Yeltsin, were meeting to review proposals for economic reform which will be submitted to the Supreme Soviet, or parliament,
early next month.

Last May, the parliament rejected the government's initial proposals for

transition to a market economy, calling for more detailed plans and greater emphasis on social protection for those low-income categories most at risk from the expected increases in prices and unemployment.

Implementation of the reform is expected to begin next January.

Two commissions - one headed by Mr. Ryzhkov, the other chaired jointly by Mr. Gorbachev and Mr. Yeltsin - have been holding separate meetings over the summer to discuss the plans for reform.

Initially, the Gorbachev-Yeltsin commission was meant to discuss only inter-republican economic ties in the context of a reform of the treaty of the union which Mr. Gorbachev plans for this year.

But Mr. Yeltsin later made plain the commission was also discussing wide-ranging alternative plans for economic reform, and he warned Mr. Ryzhkov he would submit these to the Russian federation parliament if the federal government failed to take them into account at the national level.

Differences between the two commissions appear to hinge mostly on the pace of reforms and how to implement price deregulation.

Mr. Yeltsin has also made clear in his own "500-day" economic reform programme that he wants rapid and wide-scale denationalization.

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#90242d6950 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bonn (AUG. 30) - West Germany is granting the Philippines 10 million marks (6.4 million dollars) in immediate financial aid for reconstruction on Luzon island, ravaged by a July earthquake, the Bonn government announced Thursday.

The money is to help in rebuilding hospitals, schools and drinking water facilities and repairing damaged roads and bridges, the ministry of economic cooperation said.

Philippine President Corazon Aquino had requested relief aid from Bonn after the July 16 earthquake in northern Luzon, which killed more than 1,600 people and caused substantial damage.

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#90242d6970 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 30) - The West German ruling and opposition parties were Thursday to make a new bid to settle the thorny issue of abortion rights in a unified Germany, the final obstacle to signature Friday of a unity treaty with East Germany.

A meeting of party leaders broke up late Wednesday night with conservatives still in conflict with the opposition Social Democratic Party over some parts of the document.

Earlier, Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union (CDU) and its sister party the Christian Social Union (CSU) appeared to have made an important concession, allowing West German women to travel to East German territory to benefit from East Germany's liberal abortion laws during an interim period following unification.

West Germany in that time would keep its own strict law making pregnancy termination illegal except for restricted medical and social reasons.

However, further negotiations which ran late into the night finally ended in disarray, Mr. Kohl refusing a proposal by Oskar Lafontaine's Social Democrats for a five-year transition period, a solution backed by the liberal Free Democrats, junior partners in the governing coalition.

The Christian Democrats had suggested a two-year ceiling.

Both sides agreed on the need for time to allow an overall review of abortion legislation soon after the two Germanys merge. A new law would then be formulated by the all-German parliament that will emerge after pan-German elections scheduled for December 2.

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#90242d7110 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 30) - The Soviet Union may run out of medicines by early next year because of production problems affecting its pharmaceutical industry, the Trud newspaper on Thursday quoted Health Minister Igor Denisov as saying.

The industry will only be able to meet about 30 percent of domestic demand for drugs in 1991, the minister said.

"But as early as next February, the country may run out of drugs altogether, since the pharmaceutical industry is crumbling even more rapidly than the rest of the economy," Mr. Denisov said.

The trade union newspaper said that of the nearly 4,500 essential medicines, 1,200 were not produced in the Soviet Union and that production of another 1,900 only satisfied 20 to 40 percent of demand.

Trud went on to warn that unless the situation was rectified, the cigarette riots of this summer would be followed by aspirin riots next year.

The problems in the industry are largely due to the fact that its manufacturing plants are antiquated, the most recent plant being 10 years old.

Many local authorities, concerned at possible environmental damage, oppose the building of new plants or demand the closure of old factories on their territory.

The communist party newspaper Pravda warned in November that without large imports of foreign drugs and medicine, the Soviet health service would be paralysed.

The Soviet pharmaceutical industry last year was meeting only 40 percent of local demand, with foreign imports accounting for only another 35 percent, the paper said.

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#90242d7140 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (AUG. 30) - A consortium including two Japanese companies won control Thursday of Australian coal-miner Oakbridge Ltd. after a rival bidder withdrew its takeover bid.

The consortium said it had paid 155 million Australian dollars (129 million U.S.) for a 69 percent Oakbridge stake from Elders Resources NZFP Ltd., which had earlier made a 300 million dollar (249 million U.S.) takeover bid.

"I'm surprised it has taken so long for us to succeed," said Tony Lawrance, managing director of McIlwraith McEacharn, which is part of the consortium that includes Toyo Menka Kaisha Ltd. and Nippon Oil (Australia) Pty. Ltd.

Oakbridge, which operates five coal mines producing 7.5 milllion tonnes a year, reported Thursday a 12-fold increase in net profit to 42.7 million dollars (35 million U.S.) for the year to June 30.

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#90242d7170 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (AUG. 30) - Poland is seeking Malaysian private-sector and government aid in the reconstruction of its economy, Malaysian Foreign Minister Abu Hassan Omar said Thursday.

Mr. Abu Hassan told reporters after talks with Andrej Stelmachowski, the president of the Polish Senate, that Warsaw wanted Malaysians to participate in its privatisation exercise and to enter into joint ventures with Poles in the manufacturing sector.

Mr. Abu Hassan said that the Polish government had asked Malaysia's telecommunications sector to help develop Poland's telecommunications system. A local company, Sapura Holdings Sdn. Bhd., was pursuing the matter, he said.

Mr. Stelmachowski also suggested that Malaysia and Poland sign a cultural and scientific agreement to further promote ties between the two countries the Malaysian minister said.

He also said Malaysia was interested in winning Poland's cooperation to fight drug abuse.

"The anti-drugs task force is discussing (a bilateral cooperation agreement) with the Polish ambassador here," he said.

"We are also looking for ways and means to facilitate travel between the two countries," Mr. Abu Hassan said.

Mr. Stelmachowski arrived here Thursday with his deputy and two senators for a five-day visit.

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#90242d7220 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (AUG. 30) - The Irish government said Thursday it had decided to reopen an oil terminal in the west of the country which had been closed for more than 11 years, as a result of the Gulf crisis.

Energy Minister Bobby Molloy said that the Whiddy terminal in Bantry Bay in the southwest would enable Ireland to increase its crude oil stocks by 200,000 tonnes, or 120 days' supply.

The Bantry Bay terminal was closed following an explosion on board the French tanker Beltegeuse after it arrived there to unload in January 1979, in which 50 people died.

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#90242d7270 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (AUG. 30) - Venezuela's ambassador to Kuwait has resigned his post accusing his government of indifference to the desperate plight of 32 Venezuelan citizens in Kuwait, it was learned here Thursday

The resignation of Jose de Jesus Osio, who arrived in Ankara with his family last Saturday, was announced by the Venezuelan embassy in Ankara.

Mr. de Jesus Osio said in an interview with the Turkish press that he was worried about Venezuelans in Kuwait City where the Venezuelan embassy had

been closed in response to an Iraqi ultimatum that all foreign embassies in Kuwait be shut down by midnight last Friday.

Mr. de Jesus Osio's said he had to leave Kuwait on August 21, three days before the time limit set by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The ultimatum was rejected by several countries, and Western countries in particular, who continue to sit it out in their missions.

Mr. de Jesus Osio said 32 Venezuelan nationals, largely women married to Kuwaitis, were still in Kuwait.

"I had to leave them in Kuwait in spite of my own efforts and I resigned my post because of the indifference of the government," he said.

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#90242d7330 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Jerusalem (AUG. 30) - Palestinians on the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip Thursday observed a general strike called by the Hammas Islamic fundamentalist movement and the Unified Leadership of the Intifada to protest against United States intervention in the Gulf.

No violent incidents were reported but shops and offices throughout the occupied territories were closed all day, while only a handful of Palestinians left for work inside Israel.

The United Leadership leaflet, which called the general strike, praised the mediation efforts of Palestine Liberation Organisation leader Yassir Arafat and was firm in its condemnation of the U.S. But the Hammas leaflet signalled for the first time a backing-away of support for the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The leaflet said ''Kuwaitis must be allowed to determine their own future'', called on Palestinian's to concentrate on preparing civil defence measures and, unlike previous statements, made no condemnation of Saudi Arabia.

In Gaza meanwhile defence sources confirmed that some 60 residents of the Rafiah refugee camp had been arrested since the imposition of a general curfew on the area on Saturday.

Army officers said that the curfew had been imposed to prevent bloody clashes between supporters of the Hammas and Fatah movement which resulted in the death of a Fatah activist at the weekend.

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#90242d7360 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (AUG. 30) - Helicopters evacuated 40 wounded soldiers from a northern camp besieged by Tamil rebels, the government said Thursday, as the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam continued to resist an army offensive in the Jaffna region.

Deputy Defence Minister Ranjan Wijeratne said soldiers were rebuilding a key causeway blown up by the rebels to strategic Jaffna fort, where 200 soldiers and police have been trapped by a Tamil cordon for nearly three months.

The minister, who toured the area Wednesday, said troops would be able to proceed to the fort within the next two days.

At the Mullaitivu army camp in the northeast coastal area, under siege since Sunday, helicopters evacuated wounded men after a first bid failed due to heavy rebel mortar fire that damaged one chopper, the minister said.

Wijeratne said the helicopters had dropped more troops, ammunition and food at the army camp. More than 150 Tamil rebels and five soldiers had been killed in the siege fighting, he said.

But Indian reports in New Delhi said two helicopters had been downed by rebel fire.

Contradictory accounts of the Jaffna fighting reached New Delhi, with some reports saying the blasted causeway remained out of commission, separating government reinforcements from the fort.

Military sources in Colombo said the Tamil rebels blew up more bridges and culverts around Jaffna fort Wednesday night, further delaying the operation to break the siege that began last Wednesday.

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#90242d7430 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENNA (AUG. 30) - West Germany, supported by East Germany, formally agreed Thursday in Vienna at the conference on Conventional Forces in Europe (CFE) to reduce troop levels in a unified Germany to 370,000 over three to four years.

The 16 NATO countries also proposed to the seven Warsaw Pact members that the first phase (CFE-1) of the disarmament treaty make provision for later negotiations, notably on reducing troop levels for all armed forces in Europe.

Negotiations on a second CFE treaty are expected to begin immediately following the 35-member CSCE summit (all European countries except Albania and including the United Sates and Canada) set for Paris in November.

NATO also proposed that the two alliances agree not to increase their troop levels in the period leading up to ratification of the the first CFE treaty.

West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, supported by East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere, was in Vienna to formally make the commitment to the German troop reductions.

The commitment follows an accord reached between West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev at their mid-July meeting in the Caucasus mountains.

Apart from the the 370,000 troop level ceiling, that accord called for a ceiling of 345,000 troops for ground and air forces in a unified Germany.

The German commitment and the NATO proposition on the same day sends a signal that Germany will not be singled out, but at the same time accepts the limits placed on its armed forces, a Soviet condition for acceptance of a unified Germany belonging to the NATO alliance, Western sources said.

The leader of the Soviet delegation to the negotiations, Oleg Grinevsky, said the Soviet Union welcomed the commitment by West Germany and the NATO proposal on future troops reduction talks.

Mr. Grinevsky withdrew a Soviet proposal made in February which called for a reduction of troop levels in Central Europe for both alliances to 700,000 to 750,000 each.

He said that given German unification and the Soviet withdrawal from Central Europe, there would be a two to one imbalance in favour of the NATO alliance in Central Europe for armaments concerned by the treaty.

He unilaterally proposed limiting ceilings for the two alliances to 4,000 to 4,500 tanks, 6,000 armoured combat vehicles and 3,500 artillery pieces.

The other categories concerned in the Vienna negotiations are planes, combat helicopters and troop levels.

Meanwhile, the two German leaders emphasized that the commitment made Thursday was an "important contribution" to troop reductions in Europe. They said achieving an accord before the CSCE summit was a "necessity."

Mr. de Maiziere added that the future accord would not bear East Germany's signature, since it will have been united with West Germany.

Mr. Genscher said it was necessary to make an effort for a consensus without getting bogged down in areas where consensus was not possible,

compromising the "historic chance for an unprecedented breakthrough in Europe in the domain of disarmament."

The two German leaders said they were in favour of "institutionalisation" of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Mr. de Maiziere mentioned again his proposition that Berlin be made a "conflict prevention centre," the need for which was recognized by all countries,
he said.

Mr. Grinevsky said Thursday the Soviet Union supported the idea of such a centre in Berlin.

On the Gulf crisis, Mr. de Maiziere said it was the first time the superpowers did not find themselves in an adversarial role.

"It is a success of mutual confidence" which has increased over the last few years, he said.

The full CFE session was the first to which journalists were admitted since the CFE conference began in March 1989.

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#90242d7490 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (AUG. 30) - Hundreds of South Korean students accusing President Roh Tae-Woo's government of oppressing school newspapers clashed with riot police at two universities here Thursday.

At Kukmin University in northern Seoul, some 300 students fought with riot police at the entrance to the university, pelting them with Molotov cocktails and rocks for more than an hour.

The police sheltered behind a bumper-to-bumper traffic jam and fired teargas shells at the students across the street.

The riot police stormed the campus to quell the demonstration but they were forced back immediately by the students, shouting slogans such as "stop oppressing our newspapers" and "abolish the National Security Law."

A similar clash occured at the Korea University for Foreign Studies in notheastern Seoul. There were no immediate reports of any arrests or injuries resulting from the clashes.

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#90242d7540 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 30) - The Indian government will sell nearly 20 ton of smuggled gold to jewelry exporters to ease pressure on foreign exchange in the wake of the Gulf crisis, a senior minister said Thursday.

Finance Minister Madhu Dandavate told parliament that 18.89 tons of gold seized from smugglers would be sold at international prices to save the foreign exchange which would have been spent on buying it abroad.

The minister did not say when the sales, to be carried out through the state-owned State Bank of India, would begin.

The announcement was welcomed by the Bombay Bullion Association, which called it "a good step and a good beginning", and appealed to the government to make similar sales on the domestic market.

Mr. Dandavate said India's foreign exchange reserves totalled three billion U.S. dollars on Wednesday of this week, compared to about 2.8 billion dollars a year ago. "I am not happy about (the situation)," he said.

Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait has caused fears of a serious petroleum shortage in India which used to buy some 40 per cent of its crude from Baghdad,
 and has now to seek new markets at increased rates.

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#90242d7870 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 30) - The Reverend Jesse Jackson met Wednesday in Baghdad with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz, who reiterated his country's historical claims to Kuwait, the Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported.

Aziz also referred to President Saddam Hussein's initiative of Aug. 12 linking all issues of occupation in the Middle East, including Israel's seizure of Arab territories.

INA said the talks focused on the "threat to security and stability in the entire region posed by the concentration of American troops."

The Rev. Jackson travelled Wednesday to Baghdad from the Jordanian capital on what he called a "journalistic" mission to interview President Hussein. The visit was expected to last several days, INA said.

The U.S. politician, a candidate for the Democratic Party's 1988 U.S. presidential nomination, has stressed the "need to adopt a peaceful option to solve the Gulf crisis," which was sparked the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

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#90242d7900 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 30) - Hungary's Foreign Minister Geza Jeszenski is to visit the Confederation of British Industry (CBI) headquarters here next week, the industry chiefs' organisation said Wednesday.

On Monday Mr. Jeszenski will meet a top-level team of CBI members led by Norman Wooding, chairman of Britain's East European Trade Council.

Maurice Childs, head of the CBI's East European Department, said that Hungary's move to a market economy was the most advanced among East European countries, and that it offered "particularly interesting trading opportunities".

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#90242d7980 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) - The U.S. Government says it will investigate whether some Japanese computer screens are being dumped on U.S. markets at below market value, cutting into the domestic industry.

The International Trade Commission (ITC) found imports of some screens and subassemblies were unfair to the U.S. industry.

The finding means the Commerce Department will conduct an anti-dumping investigation with hearings. A preliminary decision is due Dec. 28, the ITC said.

The equipment is known as high-information content displays for color or black-and-white text, graphics or images of computer output. It is also in data-processing machines, word processors, television receivers and scientific instruments.

The commission took action Wednesday after a petition was filed by the trade group Advanced Display Manufacturers of America. The announcement did not say to what extent the Japanese products had penetrated the U.S. market.

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#90242d8150 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (AUG. 30) - Israeli police have seized an arms cache which Jewish extremists had intended to use to blow up the Dome of the Rock, one of Islam's holiest shrines, it was reported here Thursday.

News media reports said that investigators were led to the cache, which included anti-tank missiles and other weapons, by a radical Jewish activist who was caught in 1984 trying to smuggle 13 kilos of explosives and 15 hand

grenades to the Dome of the Rock.

Police believe that the activist, 31-year-old Shimon Barda, stole the weapons from an army depot for a second attempt on the mosque when he escaped from jail in mid-1988.

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#90242d8250 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 30) - The French minister for European affairs told farmers on Thursday that their violent demonstrations and road blocks to protest falling meat prices were unacceptable and ran counter to Economic European Community principles.

"Such acts cannot be accepted," Edith Cresson said in a statement after Wednesday's national day of action, during which dozens of people were injured as some 200,000 angry French farmers clashed with security forces.

Mrs. Cresson said that the farmers' actions "call into question the principle of free circulation, which is the basis of the Common Market".

She argued that French exports could suffer if the French farmers kept up their protests.

In the latest incident, about 50 farmers forcibly unloaded two delivery trucks from West Germany late Wednesday and sprayed their beef consignments with diesel fuel in the central French town of Montlucon, police said.

Earlier in the day, the farmers had blocked roads, dumped manure outside administrative buildings and set free dozens of sheep to give a "last warning" to the government.

The protests marked the culmination of a month-long campaign by breeders who have poisoned or set fire to consignments of lamb and beef from Britain and East Germany, accused of depressing the French market by dumping lower-priced meat.

The breeders claim that measures envisaged by French Agriculture Minister Henri Nallet are insufficient.

"If decisions are not taken within the next few days to find compensation for farmers' losses, they are capable of paralysing the whole country," farmers' union leader Raymond Lacombe said.

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#90242d8310 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (AUG. 30) - At least 10 people were killed and dozens injured

when bombs exploded in a train compartment and a crowded market in Pakistan's Punjab province Thursday, officials said.

Seven people died as an explosion ripped through a train soon after it left nearby Rawalpindi for Lahore, capital of Punjab province, about 288 kilometres (172 miles) southeast of here.

According to railway officials the bomb was placed in the toilet of a second class compartment carrying 80 passengers. Two men, two women and three children died instantly and seven were seriously wounded, they said.

Almost simultaneously, an explosive device believed to be a time-bomb went off in a busy shopping centre in the industrial city of Faislabad, killing three people and injuring 25, officials said.

The condition of five of the injured was reported to be serious.

The explosion was the first reported in Faislabad and witnesses said it caused panic in the city. The bomb, placed under a juice vendor's cart in the Anarkali bazar, left a one-foot deep crater.

There were no immediate arrests. Police cordoned off the area, witnesses reported.

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#90242d8350 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 30) - British insurance company Guardian Royal Exchange (GRE) reported Thursday that it had a loss of 83.8 million pounds (about 162 million dollars) for the first half of the year, compared with a profit of 100.1 million pounds for the same period last year.

However, the interim dividend was increased by 10 percent to 4.4 pence, against the previous four. The loss per share was 6.8 pence, against a profit of 7.2 pence per share for the first six months last year.

The loss was much larger that the most pessimistic forecasts of analysts, who had expected a shortfall of 30 to 50 million pounds. The GRE shares were off one penny on the stock exchange at 195 in mid-session, in a rising market.

Losses due to storms last winter made a large contribution to the losses, while other factors were a rise in claims on the British auto market and sharper competition among insurers worldwide. Some local difficulties on the Italian and Irish markets also had an influence.

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#90242d8410 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 30) - Tin prices for three-months delivery fell below 6,000 dollars per ton here Thursday for the first time since the contract was re-listed on the London Metal Exchange (LME) 15 months ago.

The metal was quoted at 5,975 dollars per ton at mid-session, down from 6,065 on Wednesday, depressed by continuing gloom over world oversupply. Analysts said that the metal could now test the 5,800-dollars-per-ton support level.

The LME tin contract, re-introduced in June last year after a four-year suspension following the collapse of the International Tin Council in 1985, has fallen steadily from the 10,000-dollar level at which it was first re-quoted.

Steadily growing LME stocks reflecting severe market oversupply hit 12,000 tons four months ago and have remained close to that level ever since.

Prices enjoyed a brief rally earlier this month on hopes that Brazil, the world's largest producer, would join the Association of Tin Producing Countries' price support quota system, but fell back after the expected move failed to occur.

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#90242d8480 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (AUG. 30) - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher on Thursday criticized Europe's military response to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Addressing European conservative parties, she said, "The only countries in Europe which have done significantly more than the minimum are Britain and France.

"At the political level, Europe's response has been very satisfactory, in defence terms it was much slower and more patchy," she said.

Mrs. Thatcher, who spoke on the first day of a two-day conference, said external aspects are a crucial part of any new security arrangements in Europe.

"Security in Europe depends also on NATO outside areas. NATO must also be prepared to move ready forces out of its area," she said.

Addressing Western European security, she said, "We are going to need both the willpower and the military forces to defend our interests in the rest of the world, in partnership with the United States. A new European security order means continuing United States and Canadian presence, to station nuclear weapons."

Mrs. Thatcher spoke at the biennial conference of the European Democratic Union, which groups more than two dozen center-right parties from 18 European countries. She was due to return to London later Thursday.

Also attending the conference, French conservative leader and Mayor of Paris Jacques Chirac ruled out any return of France to the military command of NATO.

In the Gulf crisis, "the collaboration of France with its allies has worked well," Mr. Chirac, leader of the Rally for the Republic party (RPR) said.

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#90242d8520 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (AUG 30) - An Iraqi official warned it would be a dangerous step for Thailand to allow the United States to use Thai bases as a staging area to send forces to the Gulf, the English-language Bangkok Post reported Thursday.

The paper said the warning was made by Khalaf Khatav, a member of the Iraqi ruling Arab Socialist Party (Baath), here on a four-day visit.

"We are hoping that Thailand would not take such a dangerous step to cause the Gulf situation to deteriorate and to consider the interests and relations between Thailand and Iraq," Mr. Khatav was quoted as saying.

"We believe Thailand has enough wisdom and long-sightedness to keep friendly relations with Iraq," he said.

His remarks came after reports that the United States was using the U-Tapao naval base near Bangkok as a staging area for troops on their way to the Gulf.

One report said the United States had stationed at least 10 C-5 Galaxy transport planes at the base.

Mr. Khatav said he did not believe the reports, but said: "If the reports are confirmed, it will force us to reciprocate."

The newpaper said Mr. Khatav did not elaborate.

Thai Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan has strongly denied that the United States has been given permission to use U-Tapao as a staging point.

He insisted that U.S. planes were only allowed to use the base as a refueling stop, adding that such an agreement had been in existance for years.

U.S. Embassy officials in Bangkok have also denied the reports.

"U.S. aircraft routinely transit Thai facilities. However, the U.S. government has not requested the use of U-Tapao as a staging area for U.S. forces," said embassy spokesman James Williams.

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#90242d8540 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA (AUG. 30) - Bulgarian Prime Minister Andrei Lukanov was called on by parliament Thursday to form a new government, official sources said.

On the recommendation of President Zhelio Zhelev, parliament voted with a large majority in favour of Mr. Lukanov, 51, who handed in his government's resignation on August 7 after his Socialist Party's victory in free elections in June.

Mr. Lukanov's Socialists, the former communists, continued to govern in a caretaker capacity while seeking to make alliances to form a new "national responsibility" government.

Bulgaria's opposition parties have refused to participate in a coalition government with the former communists.

On Monday, rival demonstrations for and against the Socialist Party brought thousands of people onto Sofia's central square.

The Socialists called their supporters out to "protest against political extremism" after its headquarters were ransacked and set ablaze by hundreds of anti-communist demonstrators the previous night.

While several thousand Socialist sympathisers gathered on the square, hundreds of their opponents appeared on the other side shouting "Down with communism."

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#90242d8550 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (AUG. 30) - East Germany will issue, for the second time, Deutsche mark-denominated treasury bills guaranteed by West Germany, the West German Bundesbank (central bank) announced here on Thursday.

The Bundesbank is in charge of the operation, as it usually is of similar West German operations.

The issue will be on a tender basis, and the securities will be of the zero coupon type. The central bank is to announce the tender results in a few

days.

East Germany floated its first such issue at the end of July for a total of 3.64 billion Deutsche marks (about 2.4 billion dollars).

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#90242d8560 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (AUG. 30) - India and China began three days of talks here Thursday on a simmering border dispute that triggered a war between them in 1962.

The leader of the Chinese delegation, Vice Foreign Minister Qi Huaiyuan, who arrived earlier Thursday, and India's Foreign Secretary Muchkund Dubey shook hands at the start of the talks at Hyderabad House.

No details were immediately available.

The discussions are the second meeting of the Sino-Indian Joint Working Group (JWG), which was set up following then premier Rajiv Gandhi's trip to China in December 1988.

The JWG is to have two sessions Thursday and Friday, and a concluding one on Saturday before Mr. Qi returns home.

The JWG held its inaugural meeting in Beijing last year.

The Sino-Indian border dispute involves nearly 130,000 square kilometers (52,000 square miles) of Himalayan terrain, over which the two giant neighbours fought a bitter-but-brief war 28 years ago.

Relations between the two countries have improved considerably in recent years from the virtual post-war freeze, but the border dispute persists despite eight rounds of talks between New Delhi and Beijing on the subject.

On Wednesday, Indian External Affairs Minister Inder Kumar Gujral declined to comment on the second JWG meeting, saying the nature of talks was "sensitive and delicate."

Also Wednesday, Mr. Gujral announced that Chinese Prime Minister Li Peng would visit India shortly, the first trip to New Delhi by a Chinese premier in three decades.

Mr. Li's trip, the dates of which are to be worked out, would be in exchange for Mr. Gandhi's December 1988 visit.

Indian officials said they would also discuss bilateal, regional and international issues of mutual interest, including the Gulf crisis and ties

between New Delhi and Islamabad, a close ally of China.

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#90242d8590 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (AUG. 30) - United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar arrived here Thursday from Paris and is to meet Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz on Friday.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar, whose talks with Mr. Aziz will be aimed at defusing a tense standoff in the Gulf between the Iraq and the West, was met at the airport by Jordanian Foreign Minister Marwan al-Kassem.

Mr. Aziz was due here later Thursday.

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#90242d8680 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DUBLIN (AUG. 30) - The Irish High Court has appointed an examiner to supervise the affairs of Goodman International, Europe's leading meat exporter which is in difficulty due to the forced halt to exports to Iraq.

The appointment of the examiner will protect Goodman International, the pillar of the empire of "meat king" Larry Goodman, from its creditors for a maximum of four months.

The High Court decision came on Wednesday minutes after a special session of the Irish parliament voted to create a bankruptcy protection code inspired by Chapter 11 of the U.S. bankruptcy law.

The government had proposed an urgent amendment to the country's bankruptcy laws to protect Goodman, which controls almost half of the Irish meat market and accounts for some five percent of gross national product.

Goodman International, which is 98 percent controlled by Mr. Goodman, has debts totalling 460 million Irish punt (790 million dollars) plus 200 million punt (345 million dollars) in bank guarantees.

But it is owed 180 million punt (310 million dollars) in unpaid credit in Iraq. Exports to Iraq have had to stop because of a U.N. embargo on trade with that country following its invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Goodman's troubles stem from its high debt, the embargo on trade with Iraq and "mad cow disease" or bovine spongeiform encephalitis which has hit beef sales in Britain.

Goodman International said in a statement that it would cooperate fully with the court-appointed examiner, adding that the move was needed to

protect Irish beef farmers.

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#90242d8690 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 30) - The Paris Bourse confirmed Wednesday's uptrend with an advance of 1.45 percent on Thursday, on the basis of the CAC 40 index.

The index was up by 1.08 percent at the opening, and by more than 2.5 per cent an hour later, but profit-taking then set in, particularly after a weak opening on Wall Street.

Experts also noted that the Bourse has gained almost 14 percent on the basis of the CAC 40 since its recent low, reached on August 22, and that rise looks too fast to some people in the light of continuing uncertainties about the Gulf conflict.

Lower oil prices have helped improve the mood on the Bourse, as they make recession less likely in the industrial economies.

Among major issues scoring good gains on Thursday were Bouygues, 4.5 per cent, Thomson-CSF, four, and LVMH, 3.8 percent. Intertechnique jumped by 7.3 percent and Cegid seven percent.

Concept was off by 8.3 percent, and Ecco 4.7 percent.

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#90242d8710 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABU DHABI (AUG. 30) - Yemen's minister of state for foreign affairs, Abdel Aziz Dali, here Thursday denied reports that Iraqi warplanes had been deployed in his country.

Mr. Dali, quoted by the United Arab Emirates news agency WAM, also denied reports of an airlift between Yemen and Iraq in violation of the U.N. Security Council trade embargo against Baghdad for its invasion of Kuwait.

Such newspaper reports were "aimed at harming Yemen's image and implicating it in the Gulf crisis," he said.

There was "no reason for the stationing of Iraqi warplanes in Yemen," the Yemeni official said, adding that his country did not have enough planes to organize an airlift to Baghdad.

British Defence Secretary Tom King has said the reported Iraqi deployment of Soviet-made MiG fighters in Yemen was a "potential threat" for the region, a United Arab Emirates newspaper reported earlier Thursday.

The Gulf News, in a dispatch from its correspondent in Muscat, said Mr. King made the remarks Wednesday during a visit to Oman.

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#90242d8720 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 30) - The African National Congress announced Thursday that its controversial military chief of staff, Chris Hani, will lead a team to talks with the government on matters relating to the ANC's decision to suspend its armed struggle.

The inclusion of Mr. Hani is likely to be protested by the government, which last week stripped him of a three-month immunity from prosecution relating to previous crimes against the state.

Last month, President Frederik de Klerk criticised a statement by Mr. Hani that the ANC might have to seize power if talks towards constitutional negotiations broke down.

Security officials have warned that Mr. Hani, who has been in the Transkei tribal homeland since the indemnity expired on August 19, could be arrested if he returned to South African soil.

But ANC spokeswoman Gill Marcus said Thursday that the government had been informed of Mr. Hani's inclusion.

"We can't hold talks if the key players aren't there," she said. "Any reasonable person would be keen to move forward on the question of the suspension of the armed struggle."

She said the ANC had protested to the government over the withdrawal of immunity relating to Mr. Hani and from two of his colleagues, Mac Maharaj who is in detention, and Ronnie Kasrils, who is in hiding.

In an earlier statement, the ANC said its six-man delegation would meet a government team headed by Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok sometime next week, but did not give a date.

The meeting follows the historic Pretoria Minute, an accord between the government and the ANC issued on August 6 in which the ANC announced it was suspending its 29-year armed struggle against the white minority government.

Under the Pretoria Minute it was agreed that a joint ANC-government working group would be established to resolve all matters arising from the ANC's decision and that the group should draft a report by September 15.

Other members of the ANC team include the commander of the movement's armed

wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe, Joe Modise; security chief Jacob Zuma; international affairs head Thabo Mbeki and National Executive Committee members Joe Nhlanhla and Pallo Jordan.

The statement said that Mr. Vlok will be accompanied by representatives of the departments of constitutional development, justice and foreign affairs and of the National Intelligence Services, South Africa's secret service.

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#90242d8740 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (AUG. 30) - Irish teacher Brian Keenan, who was freed in Beirut last week after four and a half years of captivity at the hands of Islamic militants, Thursday described the nightmares he went through, saying, being held ''hostage is crucifying aloneness''.

''Tiny, tiny cells, constant blindfolds, prolonged days in the dark, sometimes weeks without light create kinds of insanity that drive men deep, deep into themselves,'' Keenan, 39, told reporters here about his ordeal.

''There's a silent screaming slide into the bowels of ultimate despair. Hostage is a man hanging by his fingernails over the edge of chaos and feeling his fingers slowly straightening,'' he said.

Keenan said for some time he shared his cell with U.S. journalist Terry Anderson and later with Briton John McCarthy. Their captors tried to persuade them to convert to Islam and allowed them to read only the Koran. ''We held up our chains and said 'No chance, pal','' the Belfast-born teacher said.

He said his kidpnappers were ''men of 30 years old perhaps - with a 12-year-old mentality. They have access to power on a personal level that they are not developed enough emotionally or psychologically to contain.''

He added: ''I feel no desire for vengeance. These things for myself I find self-maiming.'' Keenan appealed to the media to be careful in their reports on the release of hostages, saying, ''After the release of two U.S. hostages media reports strongly suggested that they had coded tapes given them by their kidnappers to take out.''

''The reports came within a hair's breadth of having some of the remaining hostages summarily executed,'' he added.

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#90242d8820 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 30) - Exiled Kuwaiti Oil Minister Rasheed Salem Al-Ameeri Thursday warned Iraq that if it did not withdraw its troops from Kuwait and

ignored negotiations, the ''only option will be war''.

''It is now left to the decision of the world community to resist Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and it should be a collective effort. However, if negotiations do not resolve this gross violation of international law, there is only one option and that is war,'' Al-Ameeri told reporters at the end of a three-day official visit during which he held talks with Singapore leaders on the Gulf crisis.

He said he expected some developments on the Gulf crisis in the next two weeks. He declined to say what these developments might be because, he said, ''we are dealing with a tyrant who disrespects the decisions of the United Nations.''

Al-Ameeri called Iraqi President Saddam Hussein a ''traitor of the Arab world.''

''If one Arab country, like Iraq, can invade another Arab nation, Kuwait, what respect does this man called Saddam Hussein has for the Arab world?'' Al-Ameeri asked.

''The whole world, including the U.N., has resolved to stand by Kuwait against Iraq. Yet, Saddam Hussein is belligerent and opposed to all norms of international law and order,'' he said.

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#90242d8880 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana (AUG. 30) - General Colin Powell, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Thursday said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would not prevail and urged him to accept U.N. demands that he roll back his August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Addressing his words to the Iraqi leader, Gen. Powell said at a meeting of war veterans of the American Legion here, "Aggression such as yours will be stopped by the nations of the world united against tyranny."

Pointing to talks between Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz and U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar scheduled for Friday in Amman, the general expressed hope that Baghdad would heed U.N. resolutions.

"He (Hussein) must return to his border, he must let the legitimate Government return to Kuwait, he must free the hostages (foreigners held against their will) and finally he must learn that in this new era he has to use the weath of the Iraqi people for peace and not squander it on warn.

"Do not misinterpret our interest in peace as weakness. Do not think for a moment that we are cowed or coerced by your actions or your threats. We are

made of much tougher stuff than that," Gen. Powell.

The general also said that despite the revolutionary changes sweeping thew world, the "enduring need for a strong America will remain.

He warned against drastic or too deep cuts in the U.S. military budgets and said the nation's armed forces were being restructured to feature:

Reiterating that there was no substitute for American leadership based on strength, Gen. Powell said U.S. forces were being restructured to feature . modern, strategic nuclear forces, including the Strategic Defense Initiative (the space-based shield against attacks); Atlantic forces deployed in Europe and the Middle East with reinforcing forces on U.S. soil; Pacific forces forward deployed, with back-up forces in the United States; and fast-moving contingency forces.

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#90242d9090 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 30) - Javier Perez de Cuellar, the United Nations Secretary-General, said on arrival here Thursday that he meant to find out if both sides were equally strongly interested in a political resolution of the Gulf conflict.

Exploratory talks between Perez de Cuellar, who says he will press the U.N. Security Council demand for a full withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait, and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz were to start late Thursday evening.

A U.N. spokesman said the official dialogue between the two would begin on Friday. Heavy security was in force at the Jordanian capital's military airfield where Perez de Cueallar's plane landed on a flight from Paris.

Western diplomats here said they did not expect any tangible agreement between the U.N. and Iraq to emerge from the talks. But hundreds of foreign media people have arrived in town to cover the meeting.

Perez de Cuellar, 70, told the reporters: ''The situation is explosive. I hope that all parties involved will demonstrate political goodwill.'' He reiterated that he had no mandate to make concessions to the Iraqis, because he was bound by tough Security Council resolutions.

The U.N. secretary-general has cautiously given the Iraqis credit for announcing they would let western and Japanese women leave the country, but said Tuesday in New York that Iraq had to fulfill all the demands of the Security Council.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein flatly rejects the chief demand, an unconditional Iraqi troop withdrawal from Kuwait. Perez said the Iraqi

announcement this week making Kuwait the country's 19th province was not exactly helpful.

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#90242d9110 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 30) - The deployment of U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia threatens the strategic balance in the region and the Soviet Union's southern flank, the commander of the Warsaw Pact forces, Soviet General Vladimir Lobov, warned here Thursday.

Should U.S. forces invade Iraq, they would form a single arc between NATO's eastern wing in Turkey and Saudi Arabia, Gen. Lobov, who had just attended a meeting of the Supreme Soviet's foreign relations committee, told Tass news agency.

"What is more, Iraq is only 200 kilometres from the borders of Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan, which gives the United States an opportunity to exert pressure on events in this region," the general said.

The three transcaucasian republics are currently in a state of turmoil brought on by increasing inter-ethnic strife.

The U.S. build-up in the Gulf region could also wreck the Vienna talks on conventional disarmament in Europe, Gen. Lobov suggested.

If the United States were to keep in Saudi Arabia the 250,000 troops it plans to send there, this would provide NATO forces in Europe with extra troops which are not counted at the Vienna talks, he said.

Soviet policy should take all this into account, he added.

Earlier Soviet deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Belonogov, briefing the foreign relations committee, said Moscow could not welcome the U.S. build-up in troops in the region, "neither in the short term as this makes the situation more volatile, nor in the long term as are were no guarantees the United States would leave Saudi Arabia after the crisis".

Mr. Belonogov had met earlier in the day with Iraqi Ambassador Ghafil Jassim Hussain, at the latter's request, to discuss the security of Soviet citizens working in Iraq and the evacuation of Soviet women and children from Baghdad, Tass said.

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#90242d9270 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) - Jordan's Ambassador to the United States, Hussein Hammami, said Thursday the United States should not try to arbitrate the

Gulf crisis while at the same time remaining a strategic Israeli ally.

"The United States cannot be an arbiter of the Arab differences and at the same time the strategic ally of their enemy, Israel," the Jordanian ambassador to the United States said in a news conference.

The ambassador said the presence of foreign troops in the region, particularly American forces, was "counter-productive" and contrary to interests in the region.

The presence of forces in the Gulf "has produced a sense of radicalization and desperation" and it "will not produce stability," Mr. Hammami said. The problems there, he said, should be resolved in an Arab context.

"Arab masses questioned the credibility of the United States as a defender of the rights of the Kuweitis to self-determination when it rejects that right for the Palestinians," Mr. Hammami said.

"When Israel invaded Lebanon in 1982, we did not see an international blockade then," he added.

The ambassador said that the instability in the region "would be used by Israel to solve its own problem at Jordan's expense. Indeed, the first casualty in the event of an outbreak of war might very well be Jordan."

He said that Jordan had asked the United Nations for two billion dollars over five years in compensation for Jordanian enforcement of the international embargo against Iraq and Kuwait.

The embargo will cost Jordan income from its exports to Iraq, and Iraqi payments on its debts to Jordan, Mr. Hammami said. He added the embargo would also increase energy costs, inflation, joblessness and worsen its trade deficit.

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#90242d9340 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 30) - Leaders of the para-military Armenian National Army Thursday went on television to announce the organisation had been disbanded and called on members to hand in weapons, Tass news agency reported.

The leaders, Razmik Vasilyan and Vardan Vardanyan, also said all members who wished to join new military structures under the control of the Armenian government would be allowed to do so.

Armenian President Levon Ter-Petrosian Wednesday imposed a state of emergency and a curfew in Armenia after the slaying of a member of

parliament by militiamen in the capital Yerevan.

He ordered all militias to disband and hand in their weapons and ordered troops to seize militia headquarters at dawn Thursday.

A number of militia leaders were detained, including Mr. Vasilyan and Mr Vardanyan.

Trouble broke out Tuesday night when members of the ANA clashed with armed volunteers of the ruling Aremnian National Movement, leaving six people dead.

When a group of unarmed ANM officials went to investigate at the ANA headquarters on Wednesday morning, guards opened fire, killing the deputy, Viktor Avazian, and an ANM official.

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#90242d9350 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (AUG. 30) - At least 16 people were killed and about 40 injured in an explosion in northern Taiwan as Typhoon Abe swept through the island Thursday, the Police Broadcasting Corp. said.

Police recovered 13 bodies after the explosion ripped through an electronics factory in Taoyuan, north of Taipei, at about 7:00 p.m. (1100 GMT) and damaged adjacent buildings, the radio station said.

The injured, some suffering from severe burns, were rushed to nearby hospitals, where three later died, it said.

The cause of the blast was under investigation.

Firefighting and rescue work was difficult as the medium-strength typhoon battered the island, the radio station and weathermen said.

In typhoon related incidents, one person went missing and three others were injured, the National Police Administration (NPA) said.

Three boats sank off Taiwan's shores, but no deaths were reported.

All schools and offices were closed, and domestic flights and trains were suspended after land and sea warnings were issued, it said.

About 71,000 homes were left without electricity and low-lying areas of the capital were flooded, the NPA said. Tamsui river was in danger of overflowing,
and residents nearby were being evacuated, it said.

Ten days ago, Typhoon Yancy swept through Taiwan, leaving 11 people dead and about 3,000 hectares (7,400 acres) of farmland inundated. Damage caused to rice paddies, vegetable farms and fruit gardens was estimated at 100 million Taiwan dollars (3.88 million U.S.)

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#90242d9380 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 30) - The Soviet city of Ufa is living in fear of a toxic cloud formed by a fire that ravaged the largest chemical manufacturing complex in the region last week, the weekly Moscow News reported Thursday.

A blast in one part of the complex that produces synthetic alcohol started a fire that spread for five hours throughout the Khimprom chemical plant in Ufa,
the capital of the Bashkir autonomous republic in southern Russia.

The Tass news agency said an "extremely dangerous toxic cloud" containing dioxin formed above the city after the accident.

The Khimprom chemical complex has in the past manufactured Agent Orange, the defoilant used notably by the U.S. military during the Vietnam War. Dioxin is used to produce Agent Orange.

The more than 100 people who were injured by the accident are still in hospital, the newspaper said. Most are firemen and workers in the plant who were burned or poisoned by toxic gas.

The day of the explosion, dangerous levels of phenol, a potentially lethal chemical that paralyses the central nervous system, were discovered in the nearby Ofimka River. The amount of phenol in the river was more than 37 times higher than the acceptable limit.

After the explosion "a stream of chemicals" poured into the local river that provides half of Ufa's million residents with drinking water, the Moscow News said.

The newspaper noted that during the 1960s more than 128 cases of serious illnesses caused by dioxin pollution were discovered at Khimprom.

"There is still chemical spillage and the ovens continue to operate and discharge their poisonous waste," the newspaper said.

All medical centres in the region have been put on a state of alert since the explosion. Some 4,000 patients in hospitals in Ufa had to be moved out of Ufa after the accident, Tass reported.

Residents of the city have demanded that the Khimprom complex be shut down,

that studies into dioxin poison be conducted, and that the area be declared an ecological disaster zone.

"But nothing has been done," the Moscow News said, noting that the closing of the Khimprom "chemical monster" would probably call into question several chemical plants in the region.

Last spring, poisonous herbicide was drained into the local river through the drainage system of another unit at the Khimprom complex, but the population was not alerted for several days that the water contained phenol.

When consumed phenol can cause serious lesions in the kidneys and the liver as well as cancer, Aldjet Tourianov, the republic's health minister said.

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#90242d9400 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 30) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

	Cash		Forward	
Copper	1,561.00	(1,514.00)	1,524.50	(1,483.50)
Lead	465.00	(460.00)	467.50	(464.25)
Zinc Sh	1,652.50	(1,652.50)	1,535.50	(1,542.50)
Tin	5,900.00	(5,040.00)	6,015.00	(6,052.50)
Aluminium	1,836.50	(1,800.00)	1,852.50	(1,820.50)
Nickel	11,100.00	(11,150.00)	10,837.00	(10,937.00)

(Tin, Aluminium, and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90242d9570 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FURTH, WEST GERMANY (AUG 30) - Elsbeth the wayward pygmy hippopotamus, who outwitted pursuers for a week after escaping from a travelling circus, was back in her trailer tank Thursday following a splashy roundup in a Bavarian river.

The 400-pound hippo snorted in dismay as a team of lifeguards, using nets to prevent yet another escape, cornered her in a bend of the Regnitz River and hauled her ashore with ropes.

Bodo Holscher, director of the Fliegenpilz Circus, said the two-year-old hippo was in good health and that the week-long romp in the Regnitz had helped her work off a bit of unnecessary flab.

She benefitted from unseasonably warm temperatures. Normally cool and rainy Germany has experienced its third-warmest August this century, with temperatures averaging about 20 degrees Celsius during Elsbeth's escapade.

Even so, Holscher said the frigid Bavarian river, with its fast currents, was not an ideal living environment for a tropical hippo.

She is now back in a mobile tank with hippo roommate Gloria.

-30- 1223

#90242d9670 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DURBAN, South Africa (AUG. 30) - The South African government must "break the perception . . . that capitalism and apartheid, or the free-market system and apartheid, are synonymous," Minister of Finance Barend J. du Plessis said here Thursday.

Adressing the annual congress of the Natal province branch of the National Party (NP, in power since 1948), which started Thursday in this coastal city, Mr. du Plessis said that "the fundamental changes that have to be brought about in restructuring the economy cannot be escaped, whoever governs this country."

This "fundamental restructuring," he went on, must be aimed at achieving "a high rate of growth accompanied by a high creation of jobs.

"That's a vital factor to be pondered by those instigating unrest on the labor scene," Mr. du Plessis said.

The economy has grown by 1.3 percent a year on average over the past 10 years, against almost 3 percent a year for the labor force, resulting in a steady increase in unemployment.

A market-oriented economy is "the only way" to achieve high growth and high creation of jobs, Mr. du Plessis said.

"The perception that what they (the black people) suffered was occasioned not only by apartheid, but by the free-market system, is wrong."

The minister stressed that "the requirement for classical apartheid was a totally centralised economy."

Renewing government attacks against nationalisations - a policy advocated by Nelson Mandela's African National Congress (ANC) - Mr. du Plessis asked: "how can you possibly talk about freedom for the individual and at the same time about nationalisations?"

Addressing the congress Thursday morning, Foreign Affairs Minister Pik

Botha said that it was "a bit unfair" to say the ANC was "committed to nationalisations."

Mr. Mandela is "not married to that concept", Mr. Botha quoted the black nationalist leader as saying earlier this month in Pretoria.

Mr. du Plessis said the new South Africa would need "a firm monetary policy" and "a firm tax system".

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#90242d9770 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DURBAN, South Africa (AUG. 30) - Members of the Natal Province branch of South Africa's ruling National Party began their annual congress here Thursday set to hold a historic debate on opening their ranks to all races.

The debate Friday on black membership, to be attended by President Frederik de Klerk, is to follow a resolution put forward by the Richmond branch of the Natal federation calling for the authorisation of double membership in the National Party and the Zulu Inkatha Party.

The resolution, to be put forward Friday after a speech by Mr. de Klerk, would in effect allow, if approved, blacks from the Inkatha Party to join the National Party (NP).

The resolution calls for "optional dual or optional associated membership between the NP and the newly-formed Inkatha Party."

The resolution is considered to be a reflection of a grass-roots party attitude in Natal province, which is the bastion of the Inkatha movement.

Inkatha, a conservative black party headed by chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, is opposed to the socialist African National Congress (ANC) of Nelson Mandela. More than 4,000 people have been killed in clashes between the two groups since 1986.

The possible opening up of the NP to blacks, though restrictive, was not received warmly by many party members at the congress on Thursday. Many are concerned that an alliance in Natal Province with the controversial Inkatha movement could have negative repercussions at the national level.

Inkatha's rival ANC is the government's principal partner in the South African reform process, and an alliance with the Inkatha Party would therefore be ill-received by Mr. Mandela's supporters.

South African Foreign Minister Pik Botha said Thursday that "we have broken through the isolation" of blacks and whites in the political process.

"We are not smelling roses, I agree, but we are not the polecat of the world anymore," he said.

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#90242d9810 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) - President George Bush announced Thursday he was sending Secretary of State James Baker and Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady to Europe, Asia and the Gulf with an ''action plan'' for an allied approach toward military action in in Saudi Arabia.

In a nationally broadcast news conference, Bush termed it ''essential'' that financial factors be coordinated and that all parties with interests in actions against Iraq also assume their ''fair share''.

The president mentioned Japan and West Germany, and said the United States was also willing to carry its ''fair burden''.

Bush said he would inform allied leaders personally of the plan before Baker and Brady arrive in their capitals.

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#90242d9880 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 30) - Libya on Thursday denied U.S. State Department charges that it had provided direct support for an aborted Palestinian raid on Israeli beaches in May.

The accusation was "unfounded," a Libyan Foreign Ministry spokesman said, quoted by the Libyan news agency JANA received here.

The spokesman said the charge was part of U.S. efforts to "distract the eyes of the entire world from what is happening in the Gulf and to try and silence Arab voices that condemn and reject the foreign intervention in the region."

The May 30 operation near Tel Aviv by the Palestine Liberation Front (PLF) led to the suspension of an 18-month-old dialogue between the United States and the Palestine Liberation Organisation.

"Libya provided direct support in all phases of preparation for the PLF attack against Israel, from assistance in planning the attack to providing personnel who accompanied the ship from which it was launched," according to the State Department.

Israeli forces intercepted several of the assault boats, captured 12 of the commandos and killed the other four.

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#90242d9900 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRETORIA (AUG. 30) - South Africa is not considering participating in a peace-keeping force in the Gulf, Foreign Affairs Minister Pik Botha said here Thursday.

"Such a possibility is not considered at all," Mr. Botha said after meeting Dr. W.F. van Eekelen, the secretary-general of the Western European Union, which is charged with securiy and defence matters in nine European countries.

Dr. Van Eekelen said earlier Thursday, at a joint press conference with Mr. Botha, he was trying to get cooperation in the field of security questions the South African news agency SAPA said.

He hoped most countries would present a united position on the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Botha said later that South Africa had not been asked by anyone to participate in a Gulf peace-keeping force and he would be surprised if the government considered such a request.

He rejected as completely untrue suggestions that South Africa was supplying weapons to Iraq.

Mr. Botha said he had issued a statement condemning Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, and that South Africa would not recognise the government imposed on the emirate.

South Africa had sent messages to the United States saying it was praying for President George Bush, who was "going through painful and lonely moments," Mr. Botha said.

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#90242d9960 08/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DURBAN, South Africa (AUG. 30) - Zulu and Xhosa leaders Thursday declared an unprecedented truce hours after political leaders met in a bid to end ethnic war in Transvaal and Natal, correspondents said.

At the meeting in this eastern port city, Zulu royal family members, tribal KwaZulu homeland cabinet ministers and traditional Xhosa leaders of the nominally-independent Ciskei and Transkei homelands called for an end to ethnic violence.

The meeting resolved to hold a mass rally in Transvaal province on September 16-17 at which Zulu King Zwelithini Goodwill and Transkei president, paramount chief T.N. Ndamase, will address the warring factions.

Talks between Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Party, senior KwaZulu officials, senior black nationalist African National Congress (ANC) officials and their United Democratic Front (UDF) allies "made progress" in establishing peace in war-torn regions of Natal, delegates said Wednesday.

A four-year war between Inkatha and UDF supporters has claimed more than 4,000 lives in Natal, where it has its roots, and on August 13 spread to the Transvaal where, in two weeks of bloody fighting, more than 500 were left dead.

Political observers believe Thursday's meeting will help clear the way for a meeting between Mr. Buthelezi and ANC deputy president Nelson Mandela - one of the aims of Wednesday's meeting between political rivals representing the two leaders.

In a seperate development Pretoria has moved to gather fresh support for negotiations with an invitation to the radical Pan-Africanist Congress (PAC) to join other black leaders in talks on a new constitution, correspondents said.

PAC president Zeph Mothopeng told the South African news agency Sapa his organisation had not yet rejected the invitation, but would make its stance known once it had discussed it.

The PAC has thus far maintained a hardline position on negotiations with the government, adopting the stand that government needs to be changed "through the barrel of a gun".

The organisation has also said that until the "five pillars of apartheid" - the two Land Acts, the Group Areas Act, Bantu Education and Population Registration Acts - are scrapped there could be no basis for talks.

According to government sources there have, however, been behind-the-scenes talks between government officials and individuals in the PAC, who realised that unless the organisation joined talks soon they would be forever be left out of the process.

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#90242e0016 08/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ABIDJAN (AUG 30) EFE - Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor Thursday threatened to start executing hostages from those West African countries participating in a peace-keeping force sent to Monrovia to intervene in the eight-month civil war.

The rebel leader reportedly holds 2,000 hostages from Gambia, Ghana, Nigeria and Sierra Leone -- all countries that contributed to the

3,000-man force sent to Liberia by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) last weekend.

Taylor said Thursday that he will start killing the hostages if one more of his National Patriotic Front (NPF) rebels is killed by an ECOWAS soldier.

The ECOWAS force, helped by rebels led by Taylor's rival Prince Johnson, have launched an offensive on NPF forces and consolidated positions in the center of Monrovia.

Taylor has called the ECOWAS troops an "occupation force," and accused the group of wanting to prevent his victory over President Samuel Doe.

The ECOWAS force reportedly intends to restore utility services in Monrovia, supervise a cease-fire and set up a provisional government charged with calling free elections within the next 12 months.

The formation of the provisional government was the purpose of a meeting called by an ECOWAS mediation group in Gambia Monday, which Taylor and President Doe refused to attend.

Prince Johnson initially also refused to attend, but arrived at the talks late Wednesday.

Meanwhile, ECOWAS called on the international community to send aid to the Liberian people, who are suffering severe shortages of food and medicines.

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#90242e0022 08/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUJUMBURA (AUG. 30) EFE - The military government of Burundi Thursday declared an amnesty for 40 people imprisoned for their part in 1988's bloody inter-tribal clashes in which thousands of the majority Hutu tribe were killed or fled the country.

According to Burundi national radio, the move was anounced by Maj. Pierre Buyoya, head of the East African country's military government and a member of the minority Tutsi tribe that has ruled in Burundi since it gained independence from Belgium in 1962.

The Hutus make up 85 percent of the country's population.

During the August 1988 clashes, at least 5,000 Hutus were killed and another 50,000 fled to neighboring Rwanda, where a Hutu minority rules over the majority Tutsi.

In a bid to unite Burundi behind him, Buyoya last year appointed a Hutu

prime minister and lifted a ban on the Hutu from serving in the Army and the civil service.

Thursday's amnesty was also extended to 10 other men jailed for taking part in a March 1989 mutiny triggered by the government's attempt to bring the Police under the control of the Army.

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#90242e0024 08/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (AUG 30) EFE - The Argentine government will announce Friday its new economic austerity plan which is to include massive lay-offs of state workers and other measures aimed at slashing the budget deficit, officials said.

Economy Minister Erman Gonzalez said Wednesday that the new economic package would not be "spectacular", but would possibly be made public in a radio or television broadcast Friday.

The belt-tightening comes despite recent warnings by several provincial officials that popular unrest is reaching a boiling point amid the country's severe recession.

But President Carlos Menem and other officials have brushed off the warnings of uprisings and riots similar to those sparked more than a year ago due to shortages and soaring inflation.

The new measures are expected to call for some 200,000 job cuts in public administration and state companies by the end of the year through early retirement and voluntary redundancy.

Economy Ministry sources said the contracts of some 80,000 public workers will not be renewed once they expire by the end of the year.

Overtime in public companies will be eliminated, they added.

The government hopes to reduce the size of the public administration to what it was 25 years ago, officials have said.

In a bid to tighten restrictions on bank operations, the government will sanction financial institutions which owe money to the Central Bank.

With public debt standing at some dlrs 15 billion, the government will be seeking to refinance this sum, as well as to reduce subsidies to manufactured exports.

Inflation in the first seven months of the year rose 802 per cent and the government aims to bring the monthly average price rise down to below 10

percent.

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#90242e0025 08/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
VIENNA (AUG. 30) EFE - East and West Germany announced Thursday that they had agreed to limit the size of the armed forces of a united Germany to the half the present combined forces, thereby eliminating one of the last obstacles to unification.

West German Foreign Minister Hans Dietrich Genscher and East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere told the 23-member states attending the Conventional Disarmanent in Europe (CFE) talks in Vienna that the united Germany's army would be reduced to 370,000 within three to four years.

This 370,000 ceiling was worked out in July during talks between West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, but East Germany had resisted the plan until now.

Genscher underlined that this new German army would only take a defensive role, saying that "only peace will emanate from German soil".

"A united Germany will never use any of its weapons except for individual or collective self-defense," he said.

De Maiziere reminded the CFE delegates that according to the July agreement between Kohl and Gorbachev, this new army, if admitted to NATO, would have a special status within that organization.

The troops in what is currently East German territory would not belong to the military structure of NATO and would not be used in an offensive capacity, he said.

United Germany's army would not have nuclear capacity, he added.

Genscher urged the CFE delegates from NATO and Warsaw Pact countries to complete a CFE treaty before the November Conference of Security and Cooperation in Europe, which will redesign the security order of Europe.

German unification has been set for October 3.

-30- 1845
#90242e0041 08/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
TEGUCIGALPA, HONDURAS (AUG 30) EFE - Thousands of Nicaraguan refugees and hundreds of former Contra rebels in Honduras may face hardship if they fail to return home before the October deadline for their repatriation, officials handling the program warned Thursday.

Representatives of the International Support and Verification Commission (CIAV) set up to oversee the repatriation scheme, Gino Acosta and Guillermo Granaglia, said that after the October 31 deadline for the program, "Nicaraguans who remain (in Honduras) will have problems."

The CIAV representatives gave no further details on what would happen after the deadline but indicated that the financial assistance program for those returning home ran out October 31.

"We are not forcing anyone to leave, but (the Nicaraguans) must understand that once they no longer qualify for the aid program, they will have greater difficulties," the CIAV representatives said.

Some 13,084 Nicaraguans have already returned home but a further 26,000 still remain in Honduras.

Each of the some 800 Nicarguans who have been leaving Honduras weekly receives a sum of dlrs 50 and a two-month supply of food under the program.

The CIAV was set up under a May accord between Contra rebels, who fought a decade-long civil war with the former Sandinista government, and the incumbent government of Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro.

Under the agreement the Contras agreed to disband and abandon their bases in Honduras which were used to launch attacks against the Sandinistas during the war.

The CIAV officals said the commission's top priority was to repatriate some 600 former Contra rebels, currently housed in camps in Yamales and Las Vegas along the two country's common border.

The CIAV program only encompasses official refugees and the demobilized Contras and does not account for the unknown number of Nicaraguans in Honduras without proper documentation.

Chamorro took up office in May after her coalition party beat the Sandinistas in elections February.

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#90242f1085 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Share prices rose Thursday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, scoring a strong 3 percent gain on investors' positive reaction to the hike of the key Japanese interest rate.

The market's leading indicator, the 225-issue Nikkei average, shot up 775.17 points in active trading to 25,669.96. The Nikkei had fallen 815.97

points the day before.

The broader Tokyo Stock Price Index moved up 44.60 points to 1,956.02. TOPIX shed 36.09 points Wednesday.

An estimated 530 million shares were traded, up from 430.24 million Wednesday.

The gain followed the 0.75 percentage point rise in the nation's official discount rate, which now stands at 6.0 percent. Brokers said the much awaited decision triggered a feeling of relief among investors who had been guessing about the hike for weeks.

Elsewhere in Asia, share prices rose on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in dull trading as dealers followed gains in New York and a firm market in Tokyo.

The Hang Seng Index rose 48.24 points to close at 3064.19. The gain followed a drop of 62.99 points Wednesday.

Volume was light at 920 million units, up from Wednesday's turnover of 824 million units.

Prices surged across the board in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in tandem with rally in Tokyo and better performance in New York.

The Straits Times Industrial Index rose 45.07 to 1259.63.

The All Singapore Index. Turnover was not immediately available due to a computer problem at the exchange.

Prices closed sharply higher on the Sydney sharemarket, boosted by rallies on Wall Street and in Tokyo and a weaker Australian dollar, brokers said.

The All Ordinaries Index gained 17.5 points to 1504.3, reversing Wednesday's five-point loss.

The All Industrials Index rose 23.1 to 2264.7 and the All Resources Index was up 10 points to 912.1.

National turnover was an above average 245.1 million shares. Gains were across the board.

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#90242f1130 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) UPI - U.S. factory orders advanced 1.6 percent - or $3.8 billion - to $240.3 billion in July on another wave of aircraft

buying, the Commerce Department reported Thursday.

The July increase in orders follows a decline of 1.9 percent in June and a gain of 2.2 percent in May, according to the monthly report compiled by the department's Census Bureau.

''Most of the increase in orders in July was for durable goods, up $3.5 billion, or 2.8 percent to $128.2 billion,'' the report said. ''Within the major industries, transportation equipment had the largest gain, up $1.6 billion, or 4.9 percent to $34.9 billion.

''A large increase in aircraft and parts was partially offset by a decline in motor vehicles and parts,'' the report said. ''Most of the other major industries had smaller increases.''

Aircraft have led many of the gains in factory orders this year as the world's airlines scramble to rebuild their aging jet fleets.

Not counting transportation equipment, factory orders increased 1.1 percent in July, a government spokesman said. Not counting defense hardware, orders advanced 1.8 percent, the spokesman said.

The Commerce Department also reported that July orders for non- durable goods were up by $200 million, or a mere 0.2 percent, to $112.1 billion.

Manufacturers' inventories, meanwhile, jumped 0.7 percent - or $2.6 billion - to $373.3 billion last month - in the largest one month increase since a gain of 0.8 percent in January.

Bigger inventories usually signal a slowdown in sales, which would be consistent with the slow pace of consumer spending as the domestic economy flirts with a recession.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio, which tracks delivery time, increased to 1.57 in July from 1.55 in June.

Oxe factory goods slipped 0.8 percent - or $2 billion - in July to $237.5 billion. Unfilled orders increased 0.6 percent - or $2.9 billion - to $520.4 billion last month.

Overall factory orders ''have been relatively flat since December 1988, averaging $235.9 billion per month,'' the report said. ''Shipments have also been relatively flat since December 1988, averaging $233 billion per month.''

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#90242f1168 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque f	94	63	....
Anchorage cy	62	47	....
Asheville pc	83	59	.02
Atlanta pc	93	72	.88
Baltimore pc	83	63	....
Billings pc	95	60	....
Birmingham pc	94	68	....
Bismarck sy	96	60	....
Boston pc	89	69	.09
Chicago sy	86	62	....
Cincinnati sy	82	60	.71
Cleveland sy	78	56	....
Columbus Ohio sy	81	58	....
Dallas sy	102	76	....
Denver sy	98	61	....
Des Moines sy	91	68	.37
Detroit sy	84	58	....
Duluth sy	82	59	....
El Paso sy	97	66	....
Evansville pc	87	62	.33
Fargo sy	92	64	....
Hartford sy	82	57	....
Honolulu sy	90	74	....
Houston sy	97	75	....
Indianapolis sy	85	60	....
Jackson Miss. pc	96	72	....
Jacksonville pc	97	74	.04
Kansas City sy	93	71	....
Las Vegas sy	105	73	....
Little Rock sy	95	69	.05
Los Angeles f	87	66	....
Louisville pc	86	64	.36
Memphis sy	94	72	.15
Miami Beach pc	90	76	....
Milwaukee sy	83	62	....
Minneapolis sy	86	66	....
Nashville pc	91	65	1.04
New Orleans pc	96	74	....
New York sy	83	64	....
Oklahoma City sy	100	75	....
Omaha sy	95	69	....
Orlando pc	94	75	....
Philadelphia sy	84	64	.66
Phoenix f	107	87	....
Pittsburgh sy	82	58	....

Portland Me. pc	79	54	.01
Portland Ore. sh	71	56	.42
Providence sy	82	61	....
Richmond pc	86	65	.03
St. Louis sy	90	68	....
Salt Lake City pc	92	60	....
San Antonio sy	97	76	....
San Diego f	75	67	....
San Francisco pc	74	57	....
San Juan pc	90	77	....
Seattle sh	65	54	.27
Spokane pc	70	48	....
Tampa pc	92	77	....
Washington pc	85	68	.03
Wichita sy	103	74	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90242f2208 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 30) UPI - Bulk selling prices reported by USDA:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered): Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 56-62.

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#90242f2400 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
OMAHA (AUG. 30) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves none.

Hogs 1,200; butchers fully 50 cents higher; No 1-3 220-270 lbs. 53.50-54.00, mostly 54.00, No 2-3 270-290 lbs. 52.00-53.00; sows under 500 lbs. steady to 50 cents lower, over 500 lbs. steady to 50 cents higher; No 1-3 350-500 lbs.44.50-46.00, No 2-3 500-650 lbs. 52.50-53.00.

Sheep None.

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#90242f2402 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Thursday 381.45 off 4.36.

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#90242f2403 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	85,198,336	31 3/4	off 1 5/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	60,697,516	60 1/2	off 2 3/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	50,452,124	35	off 5/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	46,994,724	37 1/4	off 7/8
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	41,528,536	65	off 2 3/4
3Com Corp	(COMS)	38,395,112	8 3/4	off 3 7/8
Oracle Sys	(ORCL)	35,402,824	11 5/8	off 3/4
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	31,842,378	25 1/2	off 1
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	29,875,050	49 1/2	off 5/8
Intl Lease	(ILFC)	27,295,248	31 5/8	up 1 7/8

Composite Index 167.32 off 0.51

NMS volume 94,234,504 shares.

Advances	788
Declines	732
Unchanged	1,301
Total	2,821

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#90242f2405 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and

foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austral	.000157	.000158	6360.00	6311.00
Australia dlr	.8185	.8308	1.2217	1.2037
Austria schill	.0907	.0914	11.02	10.94
Belgium franc-c	.0311	.0313	32.15	31.95
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	33.95	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0142	.0142	70.20	70.20
Britain pound	1.9175	1.9455	.5215	.5140
Britain 1-mo	1.9067	1.9353	.5245	.5167
Britain 3-mo	1.8860	1.9140	.5302	.5225
Britain 6-mo	1.8575	1.8864	.5384	.5301
Canada dollar	.8731	.8771	1.1453	1.1401
Canada 1-mo	.8699	.8737	1.1495	1.1446
Canada 3-mo	.8634	.8672	1.1582	1.1531
Canada 6-mo	.8556	.8592	1.1688	1.1639
Chile peso-f	.003345	.003326	298.92	300.66
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001946	.001948	514.00	513.44
Denmark krne	.1667	.1680	5.9985	5.9535
Ecudr sucre-z	.001116	.001130	895.95	885.06
Egypt pound	.3742	.3742	2.6727	2.6727
Finlnd mrkka	.2717	.2735	3.6810	3.6560
France franc	.1905	.1915	5.2485	5.2230
France 1-mo	.1902	.1912	5.2563	5.2305
France 3-mo	.1896	.1909	5.2753	5.2396
France 6-mo	.1885	.1894	5.3048	5.2793
Greece drach	.006489	.006535	154.10	153.03
Hollnd guildr	.5669	.5696	1.7640	1.7555
HongKong dlr	.1288	.1287	7.7610	7.7713
India rupee	.0575	.0578	17.40	17.31
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000542	1844.00	1844.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7105	1.7220	0.5846	0.5807
Israel shekel	.4995	.4995	2.0020	2.0020
Italy lira	.000861	.000866	1161.00	1155.00
Japan yen	.006935	.006969	144.20	143.50
Japan 1-mo	.006959	.006981	143.70	143.25
Japan 3-mo	.007008	.006993	142.70	143.00
Japan 6-mo	.007018	.007013	142.50	142.60
Jordan dinar	1.5399	1.5420	.6494	.6485
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860

Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000347	2878.00	2878.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6160	.6282	1.6234	1.5918
Norway krne	.1651	.1663	6.0580	6.0140
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.52	21.52
Peru inti	.000003	.000003	334,900	344,750
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escud	.007290	.007338	137.17	136.27
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2674	3.7406	3.7401
Singapore dlr	.5659	.5672	1.7670	1.7630
S.Africa rand	.3922	.3932	2.5500	2.5431
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta x5/8		.010384	97.30	96.30
Sweden krona	.1737	.1748	5.7560	5.7210
Switzrl franc	.7725	.7755	1.2945	1.2895
Switzrl 1-mo	.7724	.7754	1.2946	1.2896
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7721	.7747	1.2952	1.2908
Switzrl 6-mo	.7706	.7737	1.2977	1.2925
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.90	26.90
Turkey lira	.000376	.000376	2663.00	2659.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6628	3.6628
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0209	.0208	47.89	47.97
W.Ger Mark	.6384	.6418	1.5663	1.5580
W.Ger 1-mo	.6383	.6418	1.5666	1.5582
W.Ger 3-mo	.6379	.6414	1.5677	1.5591
W.Ger 6-mo	.6366	.6402	1.5708	1.5619
Yugosl dinar	.0930	.0937	10.75	10.67

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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DAR ES SALAAM (AUG. 30) XINHUA - THE TANZANIAN GOVERNMENT WILL TAKE COORDINATIVE MEASURES TO STOP THE IMPORT OF COMPUTERS UNSUITABLE FOR THE COUNTRY, SAID PRESIDENT ALI HASSAN MWINYI.

SPEAKING AT A COMPUTER TRAINING WORKSHOP HERE YESTERDAY, PRESIDENT ALI HASSAN MWINYI SAID THAT HIS GOVERNMENT PLANS TO PROMOTE COMPUTARIZATION TO SPEED UP THE COUNTRY'S SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, BUT THE COUNTRY SHOULD NOT IMPORT COMPUTERS WHICH DO NOT SUIT ITS OWN NEED.

HE NOTED THAT TO AVOID THE DANGER OF ACQUIRING USELESS COM- PUTER EQUIPMENTS, THERE IS A GREAT NEED TO DEVELOP THE CAPACITY FOR ADOPTING THE

RELEVANT TECHNOLOGY.

THE PRESIDENT SAID TANZANIA'S FOREIGN CURRENCY IS VERY LI- MITED AND THE GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS MUST SEE TO IT THAT COMPUTER SYSTEMS ARE IMPORTED TO SUIT TANZANIA'S CURRENT TECHNOLOGY NEED.

HE SAID THAT MANY COMPUTERS HAVE BEEN BROUGHT INTO THE COUN- TRY AS COMPONENTS OF GRANTS TO SPECIFIC FOREIGN AIDED PROJECTS. HE SUGGESTED THAT CONSTRAINTS FACING THE COUNTRY ON ADOPTION OF COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY BE TACKLED THROUGH PURPOSEFUL COORDINA- TION AND PLANNED AND ORDERLY COMPUTERIZATION.

THE PRESIDENT STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF TRAINING COMPUTER USERS, SAYING THAT TANZANIANS' CAPABILITY TO HAVE A GOOD COMMAND OF COMPUTERS WOULD DECIDE THE COUNTRY'S FUTURE DEVE- LOPMENT.

-30- 1483

#90242h0049 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WELLINGTON (AUG. 30) XINHUA - VIOLENT CRIME NATIONWIDE IN NEW ZEALAND HAS REGISTERED ITS BIGGEST DROP IN 10 YEARS BUT THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CRIMES ROSE BY 2.7 PERCENT FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, ACCORDING TO LATEST POLICE STATISTICS ISSUED TODAY.

VIOLENT OFFENSES FELL BY 8.5 PERCENT TO 25,772, THE BIGGEST DROP SINCE POLICE STARTED COLLATING FIGURES IN 1978. ROBBERIES AND DRUG OFFENSES ALSO FELL, THE SOURCES SAID.

A TOTAL OF 474,727 OFFENSES WERE REPORTED IN THE YEAR, AN INCREASE OF 12,869. DISHONESTY OFFENSES WHICH MAKE UP 63 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL REPORTED OFFENSES ROSE BY 6.3 PERCENT, INCLUDING BURGLARIES AND FRAUD.

POLICE COMMISSIONER JOHN JAMIESON WAS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT HE WAS REASSURED BY THE DROP IN SOME CRIMES BUT CONCERNED BY THE RISE IN CRIME OVERALL AND THE CLEARANCE RATE DROP. THE CLEARANCE RATE WAS DOWN TO 41.9 PERCENT, COMPARED WITH 44.6 PERCENT THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

-30- 1086

#90242h0061 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KAMPALA (AUG. 30) XINHUA - A TOTAL OF 15,569 AIDS CASES WERE RECORDED IN UGANDA BY THE END OF MARCH THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO AN AIDS SURVEILLANCE REPORT ISSUED RECENTLY.

AN AIDS SURVEILLANCE REPORT ISSUED ON TUESDAY BY THE AIDS CONTROL PROGRAM (ACP) SAID THAT OUT OF THE TOTAL OF 15,569 AIDS CASES 1,585 ARE CHILDREN AGED UNDER 11, REPRESEN- TING 10.2 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL CASES.

OF THE 1,363 AIDS CASES AMONG BABIES AGED UNDER TWO, 615 HAVE HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV), THE VIRUS THAT CAUSES AIDS.

IT SAID THAT IN KAMPALA, 4,232 AIDS CASES HAVE BEEN REPORTED BY THE END OF THE FIRST QUARTER OF THIS YEAR, THE HIGHEST IN THE DISTRICTS OF THE COUNTRY.

-30- 822

#90242h0063 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 30) XINHUA - THE BANK OF JAPAN TODAY ANNOUNCED A 0.75-PERCENTAGE-POINT HIKE IN THE OFFICIAL DISCOUNT RATE WHICH RECEIVED MIXED REACTION IN GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS CIRCLES.

THE CENTRAL BANK RAISED THE KEY LENDING RATE BY 0.75 PERCENTAGE POINT TO 6.00 PERCENT PER ANNUM, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, AS A PREEMPTIVE MEASURE AGAINST INFLATION.

IN LINE WITH THE HIKE IN THE BASE LENDING RATE, IN WHICH THE CENTRAL BANK LENDS MONEY TO COMMERCIAL BANKS, FIXED INTEREST RATES ARE EXPECTED TO INCREASE WITHIN SEPTEMBER, BANK SOURCES PREDICTED.

FINANCE MINISTER RYUTARO HASHIMOTO SAID IN A STATEMENT THAT THE BASE RATE RISE IS AN "APPROPRIATE PREEMPTIVE STRIKE AGAINST A REKINDLING OF INFLATION IN THE FACE OF A LABOR SHORTAGE AND CONTINUED EXPANSION OF THE ECONOMY."

HIDEYUKI AIZAWA, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY, SAID THE RATE HIKE, THE FIFTH SINCE MAY LAST YEAR, WILL HELP STABILIZE THE FINANCIAL MARKETS, AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUSTAINED GROWTH OF THE JAPANESE ECONOMY.

THE BANKING INDUSTRY ALSO WELCOME THE MOVE. JAPANESE BUSINESS CIRCLES REACTED CALMLY TO THE HIKE AND REMAINED OPTIMISTIC ABOUT ITS IMPACT ON BUSINESS ACTIVITIES.

HOWEVER, MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY KABUN MUTO SAID INFLATIONARY PRESSURES ARE NOT EVIDENT YET. THE BANK OF JAPAN SHOULD HAVE ACTED WITH MORE PRUDENCE, HE ADDED.

MUTO ALSO SAID THAT HIS MINISTRY WILL PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO SMALL AND MEDIUM-SIZED COMPANIES.

MEANWHILE, SOME BUSINESS COMPANIES EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT HIGHER INTEREST RATES, WHICH MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR COMPANIES TO RAISE FUNDS, MIGHT SLOW THEIR INVESTMENT IN INDUSTRIAL PLANTS AND EQUIPMENT.

-30- 1835
#90242h0064 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BANGKOK (AUG. 30) XINHUA - THE THAI GOVERNMENT HAS APPROVED A FOREIGN MINISTRY PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A THAI EMBASSY IN PRAGUE, THE CZECH AND SLOVAK FEDERAL REPUBLIC, TO PROMOTE TRADE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, ACCORDING TO A REPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

THE REPORT NOTED THAT THE OPENING OF THE EMBASSY WILL BENEFIT THAILAND IN THE EXPANSION OF ITS TRADE TO OTHER COUNTRIES IN EASTERN EUROPE.

THE EMBASSY WILL ALSO HELP DISSEMINATE THAI CULTURE AND PROMOTE TOURISM AND GOOD UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN PEOPLES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES, THE REPORT SAID.

-30- 700
#90242h0065 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
WARSAW (AUG. 29) XINHUA - THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED WORKERS IN POLAND WILL REACH 1.3 MILLION THIS YEAR, POLISH OFFICIAL SOURCES SAID.

THE POLISH STATISTICS BUREAU SAID THAT THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED REACHED 570,000 IN THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR AND 767,000 IN MID-AUGUST.

THE POLISH NEWSPAPER "RZECZYPOSPOLITA" TODAY QUOTED THE CENTRAL PLANNING BUREAU AS SAYING THAT UNEMPLOYEES WILL CONTINUE TO GROW IN NUMBER IN THE SECOND HALF OF THIS YEAR AS MORE AND MORE SMALL AND DELICATE FACTORIES ARE CLOSING DOWN.

THE BUREAU SAID THE NATIONAL INCOME IN 1990 WILL DROP BY 20 PERCENT COMPARED WITH LAST YEAR, FOOD BY 30 PERCENT, PERSONAL INCOME BY 25 PERCENT AND THE ANNUAL AVERAGE WAGE SCALES BY 28 PERCENT.

BASED ON THE ECONOMIC SITUATION IN THE FIRST SIX MONTHS, THE BUREAU ESTIMATED THAT THE DAILY AVERAGE OUTPUT VALUE IN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS WILL INCREASE BY 4 PERCENT.

-30- 1047
#90242h0070 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BANGKOK (AUG. 30) XINHUA - THE THAI GOVERNMENT WILL LAUNCH AN ANTI-NARCOTIC DRIVE IN EASTERN PROVINCES ONCE THE ONGOING SUPPRESSION ON ORGANIZED CRIMES THERE IS OVER, ACCORDING TO THAI NEWS AGENCY REPORTS TODAY.

THE THAI GOVERNMENT WANTED CHON BURI, RAYONG, TRAT AND OTHER EASTERN PROVINCES TO BE FREE FROM NARCOTICS AS PART OF THE EFFORT TO PROMOTE TOURISM AND INVESTMENT THERE, THE REPORTS SAID.

IT WAS REPORTED THAT ABOUT 100 COMMANDOS AND LOCAL POLICE FORCES HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED LAST MONTH TO CRACK DOWN ON MAFIA-TYPE CRIMES IN CHON BURI.

APART FROM ORGANIZED CRIMES, THE NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING IN THE PROVINCES MIGHT AFFECT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SEABOARD AS WELL AS THE BOOMING TOURISM INDUSTRY, THE REPORTS ADDED.

COORDINATION WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES WILL BE ESSENTIAL TO CONVINCE THE WORLD COMMUNITY THAT THAILAND IS TRYING ITS BEST TO HALT THE DRUG TRAFFICKING AND STEM ITS FLOW TO WESTERN COUNTRIES THROUGH THIS NATION.

-30- 1113

#90242h0071 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 30) XINHUA - IN THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR CHINA'S BANKS RECALLED 24.78 BILLION YUAN FROM CIRCULATION, 19.49 BILLION YUAN MORE THAN LAST YEAR, ACCORDING TO TODAY'S "PEOPLE'S DAILY".

ACCORDING TO THE PEOPLE'S BANK OF CHINA, SAVINGS DEPOSITS IN BOTH URBAN AND RURAL AREAS HAVE SHOWN A RAPID INCREASE BY AN AVERAGE OF 17.86 BILLION YUAN EVERY MONTH. CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION BY THE END OF JUNE HAD REACHED 209.62 BILLION YUAN, 10.6 PERCENT LOWER THAN AT THE BEGINNING OF THIS YEAR.

BY THE END OF JUNE THE TOTAL THE COUNTRY'S FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVES GREW BY 6.42 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS TO REACH 23.44 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

-30- 807

#90242h0090 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 30) XINHUA - MORE THAN A QUARTER OF BRITAIN'S TREES HAVE BEEN BADLY DAMAGED BY AIR POLLUTION AND INSECT ATTACKS, ACCORDING TO A UNITED NATIONS SURVEY PUBLISHED YESTERDAY.

A THIRD OF BRITAIN'S CONIFERS AND A FIFTH OF ITS BROADLEAVED TREES HAVE MODERATE OR SEVERE LEAF LOSS, THE SURVEY SAYS.

OVERALL, BRITAIN'S TREES ARE WORSE AFFECTED THAN IN ANY OTHER WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES THE SURVEY, CARRIED OUT BY THE UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE, COVERED TWO-THIRDS OF THE ENTIRE FOREST AREA IN EUROPE.

THE SURVEY SAYS THAT SPRUCE, FIR AND OAK ARE THE SPECIES MOST HEAVILY AFFECTED BY DEFOLIATION, ESPECIALLY TREES MORE THAN 60 YEARS OLD.

EXPERTS ARE URGING FURTHER ACTION TO REDUCE AIR POLLUTION TO STOP THE THREAT TO EUROPE'S FORESTS AND THE ACIDIFICATION OF FOREST SOILS.

-30- 978
#90242h0095 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (AUG. 30) XINHUA - IN THE PAST DECADE TV SETS HAVE BECOME MORE POPULAR WITH THE CHINESE, WHO OWN MORE THAN 140 MILLION SETS NATIONWIDE.

A RECENT SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE STATE STATISTICAL BUREAU SHOWS THAT URBAN AREAS HAVE 51.47 COLOR SETS AND 55.71 BLACK-AND-WHITE ONES, PER 100 HOUSEHOLDS, WHILE IN RURAL AREAS THE NUMBER IS 37.54 SETS PER 100 HOUSEHOLDS.

TO SATISFY THE GROWING DEMAND FOR TV SETS, CHINA'S TELEVISION INDUSTRY BOOSTED ITS ANNUAL OUTPUT FROM 520,000 UNITS IN 1978 TO 24 MILLION IN 1988 MAKING THE COUNTRY THE WORLD'S THIRD LARGEST PRODUCER OF TELEVISIONS, AFTER JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES.

SINCE THE 1980S, CHINA HAS IMPORTED 113 ASSEMBLY LINES FOR COLOR TV SETS. ADDED TO DOMESTIC ASSEMBLY LINES, THE COUNTRY HAS AN ANNUAL PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 15 MILLION SETS.

IN 1989 CHINA EXPORTED 3.93 MILLION SETS TO THE UNITED STATES, EUROPE AND SOME SOUTHEAST ASIAN COUNTRIES, ACCORDING TO CHINESE CUSTOMS.

BESIDES CHINA CENTRAL TELEVISION (CCTV), THERE ARE NOW 421 OTHER TELEVISION STATIONS OWNED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, WHICH PRODUCE THEIR OWN PROGRAMS AS WELL AS ACT AS RELAY STATIONS FOR CCTV. SHARING 56 FREQUENCY CHANNELS, INDEPENENT STATIONS AT CENTRAL, PROVINCIAL, MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY LEVELS FORM A COOPERATIVE NETWORK THAT SERVES 75 PERCENT OF CHINA'S 1.1 BILLION PEOPLE.

-30- 1475
#90242h0098 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NANNING (AUG. 30) XINHUA - NANNING AIRPORT IN THE CAPITAL OF SOUTH CHINA'S GUANGXI ZHUANG AUTONOMOUS REGION RESUMED OPERATION TODAY AFTER 16 MONTHS OF RENOVATION.

RENOVATION OF THE AIRPORT, BUILT IN 1962, COST 22 MILLION YUAN (NEARLY FIVE MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

THE AIRPORT'S RUNWAY WAS REINFORCED AND EXTENDED BY 300 METERS TO ENABLE IT TO HANDLE LARGE PASSENGER JETS.

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#90242h0108 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
CHENGDU (AUG. 30) XINHUA - CHINESE SCIENTISTS HAVE SUCCEEDED IN MAKING COMPOUND FERTILIZER FROM GARBAGE, A HEADACHE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION RESEARCHERS IN MANY COUNTRIES.

UNDER THE NEW METHOD, DEVELOPED BY A GROUP OF RESEARCHERS AT THE CHENGDU INSTITUTE OF BIOLOGY OF THE CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, GARBAGE GOES THROUGH 20 DAYS OF ANAEROBIC FERMENTATION TO KILL FLIES, MOSQUITOS AND BACTERIA.

MARSH GAS AND WASTE WATER, PRODUCED IN THE COURSE OF FERMENTATION, ARE THEN SEPARATED. THE MARSH GAS CAN BE USED FOR DRYING GARBAGE OR PIPED INTO HOMES FOR COOKING.

THE FERMENTED GARBAGE IS THEN CLASSIFIED, PULVERIZED AND MIXED WITH NITROGEN, PHOSPHORUS AND POSASSIUM TO MAKE COMPOUND FERTILIZER.

A RESEARCHER AT THE INSTITUTE CALLED THE METHOD THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO DISPOSE OF GARBAGE IN CHINA AND PERHAPS THE WORLD.

EXPERIMENTAL PLOTS IN SICHUAN ON WHICH THE COMPOUND FERTILIZER WAS TESTED HAD HIGHER YIELDS THAN THOSE ON WHICH CHEMICAL FERTILIZERS AND HUMAN AND ANIMAL EXCRETA WERE APPLIED, THE RESEARCHER SAID.

CHINA CITIES HANDLED 53 MILLION TONS OF GARBAGE LAST YEAR. THE CONVENTIONAL GARBAGE DISPOSAL METHOD IS BURIAL WHICH REQUIRES LARGE TRACTS OF LAND AND CAUSES AIR POLLUTION.

-30- 1387

#90242h0111 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LHASA (AUG. 30) XINHUA - WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM FACILITIES, TIBET COULD BECOME A NEW FOCUS FOR WORLD TRAVEL, ACCORDING TO SPECIALISTS FROM THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (UNDP).

TIBET HAS AN EXOTIC CULTURE, HISTORIC SITES AND UNIQUELY BEAUTIFUL SCENERY. HOWEVER, THE REGION NEEDS A GOOD PLANNING FOR ITS TOURISM FACILITIES, TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

IN 1986, THE TIBET REGIONAL GOVERNMENT ASKED THE UNDP FOR HELP IN DEVELOPING A LONG-RANGE PLAN FOR ITS TOURISM INDUSTRY.

THE UNDP SENT TEN SPECIALISTS TO THE REGION EARLY THIS YEAR AND THEY ARE NOW MAKING A FIVE-YEAR PLAN FOR THE REGION IN COOPERATION WITH THE LOCAL TOURISM DEPARTMENT.

-30- 854

#90242h0114 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NICOSIA (AUG. 30) XINHUA - EIGHT U.S. ARMY SUPPORT HELICOPTERS TOOK OFF THIS MORNING FROM PAPHOS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FOR EGYPT, FROM WHERE THEY WILL FLY ON TO THE GULF, THE CYPRUS NEWS AGENCY (CNA) REPORTED.

THE CYPRIOT GOVERNMENT GAVE PERMISSION WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON FOR THE LANDING AND REFUELING OF THE AMERICAN SUPPORT HELICOPTERS, SAID CNA.

THE HELICOPTERS CARRYING BLANKETS, STRETCHERS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES TOOK OFF AT AROUND 08:00 LOCAL TIME (05:00 GMT).

THEY ARRIVED AT THE AIRPORT ON THE ISLAND'S WESTERN COAST FROM THE GREEK ISLAND OF RHODES IN EASTERN AEGEAN. THEY HAD SET OFF FROM FEDERAL GERMANY.

ON AUGUST 24, ANOTHER EIGHT U.S. SUPPORT HELICOPTERS USED PAPHOS AIRPORT AS A TRANSIT STATION ON THEIR WAY TO EGYPT, BEFORE HEADING FOR THE GULF REGION.

-30- 939

#90242h0121 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

THIMPHU, BHUTAN (AUG. 30) XINHUA - BHUTAN'S GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP) IS ESTIMATED TO HAVE GROWN BY 3.5-4.5 PERCENT IN 1989, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST ISSUE OF BHUTAN WEEKLY "KUENSEL" (CLEARNESS) HERE TODAY.

IN 1990-91, THE GDP GROWTH IS EXPECTED TO BE ABOUT 4.5 PERCENT, WITH AN INFLATION RATE OF 8.5 PERCENT, ABOUT THE SAME AS IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR, IT SAID.

"THE DECELERATION IN THE (ECONOMIC) GROWTH RATE (COMPARED WITH PREVIOUS YEARS) IS MAINLY A REFLECTION OF THE SLOWDOWN IN INVESTMENT AS NO MAJOR PROJECTS HAVE BEEN TAKEN UP SINCE THE COMPLETION OF THE CHUKHA HYDEL PROJECT IN 1988," SAID A PRESS RELEASE FROM THE ROYAL MONETARY AUTHORITY OF BHUTAN.

CHUKHA HYDEL PROJECT WAS COMPLETED WITH THE ASSISTANCE FROM INDIA AND NOW IT IS SUPPLYING ELECTRICITY TO INDIA AS WELL AS TO BHUTAN. IT EARNS BHUTAN A REVENUE OF 480 MILLION RUPEES (28.2 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) ANNUALLY AS INDIA HAS CONTRACTED TO BUY 42.18 MW OF ELECTRICITY EVERY YEAR.

-30- 1100

#90242h0128 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

COLOMBO (AUGUST 30) XINHUA - OVER 100 TAMIL REBELS WERE KILLED AND SEVERAL REBEL BUNKERS WERE COMPLETELY DESTROYED BY THE SRI LANKAN SECURITY FORCES DURING OPERATIONS IN JAFFNA AND MULLAITIVU IN THE PAST 48 HOURS, SECURITY SOURCES HERE SAID TODAY.

THE SOURCES BELIEVED THAT A NUMBER OF THE LIBERATION TIGERS OF TAMIL EELAM (LTTE) REBELS IN THE BUNKERS WERE ALSO KILLED DURING THE OPERATIONS CARRIED OUT BY THE GOVERNMENT TROOPS WITH AIRCOVER PROVIDED BY THE AIRFORCE.

THE SOURCES SAID HEAVY DAMAGE TO A BRIDGE ON THE PANNAI CAUSEWAY THAT LINKS ALLAIPIDDY TO THE JAFFNA MAINLAND AND LAND MINES AND BOOBY TRAPS (PLANTED BY THE LTTE) ALONG THE CAUSEWAY HAD HAMPERED TROOP MOVEMENTS TO THE JAFFNA FORT IN NORTH SRI LANKA. HUNDREDS OF GOVERNMENT TROOPS ARE TRAPPED INSIDE THE BESIEGED FORT.

THE TROOPS WERE ADVANCING CAUTIOUSLY TOWARDS THE FORT TO AVOID UNNECESSARY CASUALTIES, A SENIOR AIRFORCE OFFICIAL HERE SAID.

MEANWHILE, IT WAS REPORTED THAT JAFFNA FORT, ELEPHANT PASS AND THE KKS ARMY CAMPS CAME UNDER MORTAR AND SMALL ARMS FIRE THROUGHOUT LAST NIGHT. ONE SOLDIER WAS WOUNDED BY THE LTTE REBELS.

FIERCE FIGHTING HAS BEEN GOING ON IN NORTH AND EAST SRI LANKA BETWEEN GOVERNMENT TROOPS AND THE LTTE, THE MOST POWERFUL TAMIL MILITANT GROUP IN THE COUNTRY, SINCE THE LATTER LAUNCHED SURPRISE ATTACKS ON ARMY CAMPS IN THE REGIONS ON JUNE 11.

-30- 1531

#90242h0143 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TUNIS (AUG. 30) XINHUA - ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER GIANNI DE MICHELLIS TODAY UNDERSCORED THE PRESSING NEED TO SEEK A POLITICAL SETTLEMENT OF THE GULF CRISIS.

EMERGING FROM A MEETING WITH TUNISIAN PRESIDENT ZEIN AL-ABIDINE BEN ALI, THE ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER TOLD NEWSMEN, "WE ARE SEEKING COOPERATION IN THIS REGARD WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE U.N. RESOLUTIONS AND INTERNATIONAL LEGITIMACY."

THE ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, WHO IS ALSO CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, SAID ITALY AND TUNISIA HOLD IDENTICAL VIEWS ON THE ACHIEVEMENT OF A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE CRISIS.

DE MICHELLIS HAD EARLIER TODAY CONFERRED WITH THE TUNISIAN FOREIGN MINISTER ON THE CRISIS.

THE ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER HAS LEFT HERE TO CONTINUE HIS TOUR OF THE ARAB MAGHREB COUNTRIES. HE ARRIVED IN THE TUNISIAN CAPITAL THIS MORNING FROM ALGERIA.

-30- 1045

#90242h0154 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MAPUTO (AUG. 30) XINHUA - MOZAMBIQUE AND NAMIBIA WILL PROMOTE THE BILATERAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELDS OF TRANSPORT, COMMUNICATIONS, FISHERIES AND TRADE UNDER A FIVE-YEAR AGREEMENT SIGNED HERE TODAY AT THE

END OF NAMIBIAN PRIME MINISTER HAGE GEINGOB'S FOUR-DAY VISIT TO MOZAMBIQUE.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT, THE TWO COUNTRIES WILL EXCHANGE EXPERI- ENCE PARTICULARLY IN MARITIME TRANSPORT, AVIATION, TELECOMMUNI- CATIONS, FISHERIES AND TRADE.

A MOZAMBICAN OFFICIAL TOLD PRESS THAT A MOZAMBICAN GOVERNMENT DELEGATION WILL SOON VISIT NAMIBIA TO START PUTTING COOPERATION IN THESE AREAS INTO EFFECT. THE TWO COUNTRIES ALSO HAVE AGREED TO FORM A JOINT COMMISSION TO HELP FOSTER THEIR ECONOMIC COOPERATION.

IN ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT, GEINGOB AND HIS MOZAMBICAN COUNTERPART MARIO MACHUNGO EXPRESSED IN A JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED HERE TODAY DEEP CONCERN OVER THE WAVE OF KILLINGS IN SOUTH AFRICAN BLACK TOWNSHIPS, AND CALLED FOR AN END TO THE BLACK-ON-BLACK VIOLENCE.

THE TWO PRIME MINISTERS PRAISED THE STEPS SO FAR TAKEN BY SOUTH AFRICAN PRESIDENT F.W. DE KLERK TOWARDS THE REMOVAL OF THE APARTHEID SYSTEM, WHICH THEY DESCRIBED AS THE MAIN CAUSE OF VIOLENCE IN THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN REGION.

DURING HIS VISIT, MR. GEINGOB DISCUSSED WITH MOZAMBICAN PRESIDENT JOAQUIM CHISSANO THE BILATERAL RELATIONS AND EXCHANGED VIEWS ON THE SITUATION IN THE REGION AND IN THE WORLD IN GENERAL. MR. GEINGOB HANDED OVER TO PRESIDENT CHISSANO A LETTER FROM NAMIBIAN PRESIDENT SAM NUJOMA INVITING CHISSANO TO VISIT NAMIBIA.

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#90242h0157 08/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 30) XINHUA - PRINCE CHARLES, HEIR TO THE BRITISH THRONE, WILL GO TO HOSPITAL FRIDAY FOR A SECOND OPERATION ON HIS RIGHT ARM BROKEN IN A POLO ACCIDENT TWO MONTHS AGO, BUCKINGHAM PALACE SAID.

THE PRINCE, 41, IS EXPECTED TO UNDERGO THREE HOURS OF SURGERY UNDER FULL ANESTHETIC AT A HOSPITAL IN NOTTINGHAM, CENTRAL ENGLAND, WHEN SURGEONS WILL TAKE A PIECE OF BONE FROM HIS HIP TO REPLACE A FRAGMENT IN HIS ARM.

HE IS EXPECTED TO STAY IN THE HOSPITAL FOR SEVEN TO 10 DAYS, ACCORDING TO BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

THE PRINCE SPENT THREE NIGHTS IN A HOSPITAL AFTER BREAKING HIS ARM IN A FALL WHILE PLAYING POLO ON JUNE 28.

THE OPERATION HAS FORCED HIM TO CANCEL OFFICIAL ACTIVITIES SUCH AS THE OPENING OF HIS OWN WATERCOLOR EXHIBITION ON SEPTEMBER 5 AND A VISIT TO BRAZIL IN OCTOBER.

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#90242j0001 08/30/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)
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Family Matters Special (Lifetime) August 29, 1990 (Transcript #4)

The Party's Over: Three families recreate their stories of crisis intervention for a family member's substance abuse problems. This method of confronting an addict is so compelling that over 90 percent go into treatment as a result.

South Africa Now (PBS) August 29, 1990 (Transcript #25)

The state of emergency has been reimposed in 27 townships due to escalation of violence between residents and migrant workers outside of Johannesburg; South African Broadcasting Corp. reports on the root of some of the violence among youth in townships; the Pan Africanist Congress is challenging the ANC; media coverage of South African issues is still often spotty, shallow and biased; the ravages of war-torn Mozambique; Sweet Honey in the Rock perform from their Yankee Stadium concert for Nelson Mandela.

Nightline (ABC) August 29, 1990 (Transcript #2418)

Questions to Defense Secretary Dick Cheney: The Chief of the Defense Department answers questions, including: How long will

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#90242k0032 08/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) KYODO - THE U.S. INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION (ITC) ON WEDNESDAY RULED UNANIMOUSLY THAT AMERICAN THIN-PANEL DISPLAY MAKERS WERE BEING HURT BY JAPANESE COMPETITORS USING UNFAIR PRICING ON SALES IN THE UNITED STATES, A GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL SAID.

THIS MEANS THAT THE ITC AND THE U.S. COMMERCE DEPARTMENT WILL CONTINUE TO INVESTIGATE THE ACCUSATIONS MADE BY AMERICAN MANUFACTURERS. THE COMMERCE DEPARTMENT WILL LAY DOWN A FINAL RULING IN LATE DECEMBER, THE OFFICIAL SAID.

DUMPING IS SELLING PRODUCTS BELOW THEIR FAIR MARKET VALUE TO CAPTURE AN UNFAIR SHARE OF THE MARKET.

THE ADVANCED DISPLAY MANUFACTURERS OF AMERICA FILED A PETITION WITH THE U.S. COMMERCE DEPARTMENT IN JULY, NAMING 12 JAPANESE COMPANIES, INCLUDING HITACHI LTD., MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., AND SHARP CORP.

JAPANESE IMPORTS HAVE CAPTURED ABOUT 90 PERCENT OF THE FAST-GROWING MULTIMILLION DOLLAR U.S. MARKET FOR FLAT PANEL SCREEN DISPLAYS.

FLAT PANEL DISPLAY SCREENS ARE FAST REPLACING THE LARGE CONVENTIONAL CATHODE RAY TUBES THAT ARE USED FOR TELEVISION RECEIVERS, WORDPROCESSORS, COMPUTERS, AND OTHER EQUIPMENT.

IMPORT DUTIES COULD BE SLAPPED ON JAPANESE FLAT SCREEN DISPLAYS IF THE DEPARTMENT DECIDES THAT THE PRODUCTS HAVE BEEN PRICED UNFAIRLY IN THE U.S. MARKET.

BUT AMERICAN COMPUTER MANUFACTURERS ARE OPPOSED TO THE DUMPING CHARGES SINCE FEW LIQUID CRYSTAL-TYPE FLAT SCREENS ARE PRODUCED IN THE U.S. TODAY.

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#90242k0038 08/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 30) KYODO - JAPAN'S OVERALL WHOLESALE PRICES ROSE 0.1 PERCENT IN THE SECOND 10 DAYS OF AUGUST FROM THE PREVIOUS 10-DAY PERIOD DUE TO FIRMER ALUMINUM AND COPPER PRICES BECAUSE OF THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS, THE BANK OF JAPAN SAID THURSDAY.

THE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX (WPI) STOOD AT 90.6 AGAINST THE BASE FIGURE OF 100 FOR 1985.

IMPORT PRICES ROSE A NOTABLE 1.4 PERCENT IN DOLLAR TERMS OVER THE PREVIOUS PERIOD. THIS WAS THE STEEPEST RISE SINCE DECEMBER 1987, WHEN THE CURRENT WPI CALCULATION FORMULA WAS INTRODUCED.

CENTRAL BANK OFFICIALS SAID CRUDE OIL WITH HIGHER PRICES REFLECTING THE GULF CRISIS WILL NOT ARRIVE IN JAPAN UNTIL AFTER THE MIDDLE OF SEPTEMBER.

THE RECENT HIKE IN CRUDE OIL PRICES THEREFORE WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE LATEST FIGURE, BUT COMMODITY MARKETS, JITTERY OVER THE GULF SITUATION, HAVE STARTED TO BE AFFECTED.

THE UPWARD TREND IN WHOLESALE PRICES IS LIKELY TO CONTINUE FOR A WHILE, THEY SAID.

IMPORT PRICES WERE BOOSTED PARTLY BY CRUDE OIL BOUGHT IN JUNE, WHEN PRICES CLIMBED TEMPORARILY, BUT THE YEN'S HIGHER VALUE AGAINST THE U.S. DOLLAR

HELD THE INCREASE TO 1.3 PERCENT IN YEN TERMS, COMPARED TO 1.4 PERCENT IN DOLLAR TERMS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE YEN'S VALUE AGAINST THE U.S. DOLLAR ROSE 0.5 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS 10-DAY PERIOD.

EXPORT PRICES, ON THE OTHER HAND, FELL 0.1 PERCENT IN YEN TERMS. WHOLESALE PRICES OF DOMESTICALLY PRODUCED GOODS FOR THE HOME MARKET ROSE 0.1 PERCENT DUE TO RISING PRICES OF SUCH GOODS AS EGGS, HIT BY UNUSUALLY HOT WEATHER THIS SUMMER, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS.

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#90242k0077 08/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (AUG. 30) KYODO - OMRON CORP. HAS OPENED A SALES SUBSIDIARY IN SUBURBAN PARIS, ITS SECOND IN FRANCE, OMRON OFFICIALS SAID THURSDAY.

CAPITALIZED AT 7 MILLION FRANCS (ABOUT 196 MILLION YEN), OMRON SYSTEMS FRANCE S.A. WILL START OPERATION NEXT SATURDAY. IT WILL TAKE OVER SALES OF DISTRIBUTIVE TERMINALS, SUCH AS ELECTRONIC CASH REGISTERS, FROM LOCAL AGENTS AND PROVIDE TECHNICAL SUPPORT, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

SALES IN THE INITIAL YEAR ARE EXPECTED TO BE ABOUT 640 MILLION YEN, THEY SAID.

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#90242k0081 08/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 30) KYODO - THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) WILL EARMARK SOME 800 MILLION YEN IN THE FISCAL 1991 BUDGET TO SUPPORT A JOINT PROJECT BETWEEN BOEING CO. OF THE UNITED STATES AND JAPANESE MAKERS TO DEVELOP A NEXT GENERATION PASSENGER JET PLANE, THE B-777, MITI OFFICIALS SAID THURSDAY.

THE MONEY IS TO BE USED TO SUBSIDIZE INTEREST PAYMENTS ON THE DEVELOPMENT COSTS THAT THE JAPANESE MAKERS WILL SHOULDER, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

MITI WILL SEEK 806 MILLION YEN FOR THE PURPOSE IN ITS BUDGET REQUESTS FOR FISCAL 1991.

BOEING PLANS TO GET THE 3.7 BILLION DOLLAR DEVELOPMENT PROJECT INTO FULL SWING THIS YEAR WITH AN EYE TO LAUNCHING THE NEW PLANE IN 1995.

THE NEW FUEL-EFFICIENT AIRCRAFT WILL CARRY 350 TO 375 PASSENGERS ON HEAVILY TRAVELED DOMESTIC ROUTES OR ON SO-CALLED ''LONG, THIN ROUTES.''

THREE JAPANESE MAKERS -- MITSUBISHI HEAVY INDUSTRIES CO., KAWASAKI HEAVY INDUSTRIES CO., AND FUJI HEAVY INDUSTRIES CO. -- ARE EXPECTED TO

PARTICIPATE IN THE PROJECT IN RESPONSE TO BOEING'S INVITATION.

AGREEMENTS WITH BOEING ARE EXPECTED TO BE CONCLUDED BY THE END OF THE YEAR.

IN ORDER TO SECURE THE MONEY FOR THE B-777 PROJECT, MITI WILL SHARPLY CUT BACK ITS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT SPENDING ON ANOTHER JOINT PROJECT INVOLVING BOEING AND THE THREE JAPANESE FIRMS, INVOLVING A 150-SEAT COST-EFFECTIVE PLANE, THE YXX.

THE FISCAL 1991 REQUEST FOR R AND D ON THE YXX, WHICH HAS BEEN UNDER DEVELOPMENT SINCE 1984, WILL BE 568 MILLION YEN, ABOUT ONE THIRD OF THE OUTLAY IN THE FISCAL 1990 BUDGET, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS.

MITI HAS DECIDED TO GIVE PRIORITY TO THE B-777, WHICH EXPERTS EXPECT WILL BE MUCH MORE PROFITABLE THAN THE YXX.

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#90242k0085 08/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 30) KYODO - PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO ON THURSDAY SUSPENDED THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A NEW TARIFF SCHEME WHICH HAS COME UNDER FIRE FROM CONGRESSIONAL AND BUSINESS LEADERS.

ECONOMIC PLANNERS HAVE SAID THE NEW TARIFF STRUCTURE, ORIGINALLY SET TO TAKE EFFECT ON FRIDAY, WILL BENEFIT 14 KEY PHILIPPINE INDUSTRIES, MAKING THEM MORE COMPETITIVE IN THE WORLD MARKET.

AQUINO SAID SHE ISSUED THE POSTPONING DIRECTIVE FOLLOWING A JOINT RESOLUTION BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SEEKING A SUSPENSION OF THE RELEVANT EXECUTIVE ORDER FOR SIX MONTHS.

''I HAVE ISSUED TODAY A DIRECTIVE...TO GIVE CONGRESS SUFFICIENT TIME TO ACT ON THE PENDING JOINT RESOLUTION. THIS WILL ALSO SERVE TO AVOID CONFUSION AMONG THE PUBLIC,'' SHE SAID IN A STATEMENT TO REPORTERS.

UNDER THE PLAN, 183 ITEMS USED IN AGRICULTURE, AQUACULTURE, TRANSPORT, FISH CANNING, CONSTRUCTION, IRON AND STEEL, AND SHIPPING, AMONG OTHERS, ARE TO BE ASSESSED LOWER DUTIES RANGING FROM 3 TO 10 PERCENT COMPARED WITH THE OLD 10-50 PERCENT RANGE, ACCORDING TO DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL PONCIANO INTAL OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (NEDA).

OTHER INDUSTRIES THAT WILL BENEFIT FROM THE SCHEME ARE LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY, MEAT PROCESSING, POWER GENERATION, PULP AND PAPER, PHARMACEUTICALS, LEATHER TANNING, PACKAGING, MINING, SOAP AND DETERGENTS, RUBBER TIRES AND OTHER RUBBER PRODUCTS, AND REFRIGERATORS AND AIR CONDITIONERS.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 413 AIMS TO GIVE EQUAL PROTECTION ACROSS ALL

INDUSTRIES AND TO SPUR EXPORTS BY DEVELOPING INTERNATIONALLY-COMPETITIVE AND EFFICIENT INDUSTRIES, INTAL SAID.

HE SAID THE NEW TARIFF SCHEME WILL ALSO MAKE AVAILABLE TO CONSUMERS GOOD-QUALITY PRODUCTS AT REASONABLE PRICES AS WELL AS SIMPLIFY CUSTOMS ADMINISTRATION, THUS REDUCING SMUGGLING.

FINANCE OFFICIALS ESTIMATE A 9.9 BILLION PESOS (396 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) LOSS IN REVENUES UNDER THE NEW SCHEME. OFFICIALS SAY THE LOST INCOME WOULD BE OFFSET BY ADDITIONAL REVENUES FROM THE SCRAPPING OF TAX EXEMPTIONS CURRENTLY EXTENDED TO VARIOUS PROTECTED INDUSTRIES.

LOCAL INDUSTRY LEADERS ARE OPPOSING THE NEW TARIFF SCHEME, SAYING THE FLOOD OF CHEAP IMPORTED ITEMS WILL KILL THEIR ENTERPRISES.

ON WEDNESDAY, SOME OF THEM FILED A PETITION WITH THE SUPREME COURT SEEKING POSTPONEMENT OF THE NEW TARIFF SCHEME.

SOCIOECONOMIC PLANNING SECRETARY CAYETANO PADERANGA EARLIER SAID PROTECTIONIST POLICIES SUCH AS THE OLD TARIFF SCHEME ''ONLY STIFLED INNOVATION AND CREATIVITY, MAKING INDUSTRIES LESS EFFICIENT AND LESS COMPETITIVE IN THE WORLD MARKET.''

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#90242k0089 08/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

COLOMBO (AUG. 30) KYODO - SRI LANKA, AFTER INITIAL RELUCTANCE TO JOIN THE INTERNATIONAL SANCTIONS AGAINST BAGHDAD, SAYS IRAQIS WILL HAVE TO GO WITHOUT THE ISLAND NATION'S TEA.

SRI LANKA HAS DECIDED TO ABIDE BY THE UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ BECAUSE OF ITS INVASION OF KUWAIT, DEFENSE MINISTER RANJAN WIJERATNE SAID THURSDAY.

THE GOVERNMENT HAD EARLIER DECIDED TO CONTINUE SELLING TEA TO IRAQ, SAYING ''SANCTIONS ARE NOT FOR POOR COUNTRIES,'' BUT SOUGHT U.N. CLARIFICATION AND WAS INFORMED THAT TEA IS INDEED INCLUDED IN THE EMBARGO ON IRAQ, HE SAID.

''WE DON'T WANT TO DEFY THE U.N.,'' THE MINISTER SAID. IRAQ HAS BEEN THE SECOND LARGEST CUSTOMER FOR SRI LANKAN TEA, BUYING 20 PERCENT OF PRODUCTION.

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#90242k0103 08/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (AUG. 30) KYODO - OSAKA GAS CO. ON THURSDAY ANNOUNCED THE CREATION OF A SUBSIDIARY IN PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, TO SERVE AS A BASE FOR ITS

ACTIVITIES IN NORTH AMERICA.

THE SUBSIDIARY WILL PURCHASE SUNDRIES SUCH AS TABLEWARE AND BATH GOODS, IN THE UNITED STATES FOR SUPPLY TO JAPANESE DEALERS IN THE OSAKA GAS GROUP, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

OSAKA GAS IS JAPAN'S NO. 2 CITY GAS SUPPLIER. THE NEW FIRM, NAMED OSAKA GAS AMERICA INC., WILL ALSO TRY TO SELL CHLOROFLUOROCARBON (CFC) EMISSION PREVENTION EQUIPMENT, DEVELOPED BY THE OSAKA GAS GROUP, TO U.S. BUSINESSES THE OFFICIALS SAID.

OSAKA GAS AMERICA IS CAPITALIZED AT 3 MILLION DOLLARS, HALF OF WHICH IS PROVIDED BY OSAKA GAS AND THE BALANCE BY FIVE SUBSIDIARIES.

THE NEW FIRM IS THE COMPANY'S SECOND OVERSEAS SUBSIDIARY. THE FIRST WAS OSAKA GAS EUROPE PLC, ESTABLISHED IN LONDON IN AUGUST LAST YEAR.

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#90242k0113 08/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 30) KYODO - SUMITOMO FORESTRY CO. ANNOUNCED THURSDAY THAT IT HAS ESTABLISHED A JOINT PARTICLE BOARD PRODUCTION COMPANY IN INDONESIA WITH KLI, A MAJOR INDONESIAN FORESTRY FIRM.

THE JOINT FIRM, NAMED RIMBA PARTICLE INDONESIA, IS CAPITALIZED AT 10 MILLION DOLLARS, EQUALLY PROVIDED BY SUMITOMO AND KLI.

AGUS SUTANTO OF KLI HAS BEEN NAMED PRESIDENT OF THE NEW FIRM. RIMBA PARTICLE WILL START CONSTRUCTION WORK IN SEPTEMBER ON A PLANT IN CENTRAL JAVA. THE PLANT, WITH A MONTHLY PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 10,000 CUBIC METERS IS DUE TO START OPERATION IN MAY 1992.

IT WILL PRODUCE 3.2 BILLION YEN WORTH OF PARTICLE BOARD A YEAR, OF WHICH 70 PERCENT WILL BE EXPORTED TO JAPAN.

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#90242k0114 08/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 30) KYODO - PHILIPPINE PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO HAS ''AGREED IN PRINCIPLE'' TO A CEASEFIRE WITH COMMUNIST REBELS IN THE CAPITAL AND IN EARTHQUAKE-STRICKEN AREAS OF THE COUNTRY, JUSTICE SECRETARY FRANKLIN DRILON SAID THURSDAY.

DRILON, WHO HEADS THE CABINET COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY, SAID AQUINO TOLD HIM ''TO PUSH FOR PEACE'' WITH THE REBELS TO FACILITATE RECONSTRUCTION IN AREAS AFFECTED BY THE JULY 16 KILLER EARTHQUAKE.

BOTH COMMUNIST REBELS AND RENEGADE SOLDIERS DECLARED A TEMPORARY CEASEFIRE

SHORTLY AFTER THE EARTHQUAKE, WHICH KILLED MORE THAN 1,000 PEOPLE AND DEVASTATED PARTS OF THE PHILIPPINES, TO MAKE GOVERNMENT REHABILITATION EFFORTS EASIER.

SENATOR WIGBERTO TANADA HAS CALLED FOR PEACE TALKS WITH BOTH COMMUNIST AND MILITARY REBELS.

DRILON SAID A CABINET COMMITTEE, REPRESENTATIVES OF CAUSE-ORIENTED GROUPS AND THE CHURCH WILL MEET WITH TANADA ON SATURDAY TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE CEASEFIRE WITH COMMUNIST REBELS.

''WE HAVE TO START SOMEWHERE. WE DON'T SEE ANY THREAT FROM THE COMMUNISTS BUT WE THOUGHT THE ATMOSPHERE IS RIGHT TO COMMENCE DISCUSSIONS AS FAR AS INSURGENTS ARE CONCERNED,'' THE JUSTICE SECRETARY ADDED.

THE COMMUNIST-DOMINATED NEW PEOPLE'S ARMY HAD NO COMMENT THURSDAY BUT IS CONSIDERED LIKELY TO AGREE TO CEASEFIRE TALKS.

A POSSIBLE CEASEFIRE WITH REBEL SOLDIERS, WHO HAVE RECENTLY THREATENED TO MOUNT ANOTHER COUP ATTEMPT, WILL BE DISCUSSED IN LATER MEETINGS, DRILON SAID.

ARMED FORCES CHIEF OF STAFF GEN. RENATO DE VILLA, MEANWHILE, DID NOT OBJECT TO THE PEACE MOVES.

''WE HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED BY PRESIDENT AQUINO TO TALK TO THE CEASEFIRE PROPONENTS IN THE SENATE AND WITH THE CABINET AND WE WILL DO THAT,'' HE TOLD REPORTERS THURSDAY.

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#90242k0124 08/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (AUG. 30) KYODO - NTN CORP., A TOP JAPANESE BEARING COMPANY, ANNOUNCED THURSDAY THAT IT HAS SET UP A HOLDING COMPANY IN THE UNITED STATES TO COPE WITH FAST EXPANDING OPERATIONS THERE.

THE NEW COMPANY, NTN USA CORP., HAS ITS HEAD OFFICE LOCATED IN DELAWARE, BUT WILL HAVE AN OFFICE AT MOUNT PROSPECT IN ILLINOIS, NEAR CHICAGO. NTN USA IS CAPITALIZED AT 50 MILLION DOLLARS.

THE NEW FIRM WILL START BUSINESS IN OCTOBER, AND WILL ACQUIRE THE STOCK OF FOUR BEARING PRODUCTION AND SALES SUBSIDIARIES OF NTN NOW IN THE U.S.

THE FOUR SUBSIDIARIES HAVE SO FAR OPERATED ON THEIR OWN. THE COMBINED PAID-UP CAPITAL OF THE FOUR HAS TOPPED 20 BILLION YEN AND THEIR COMBINED LABOR FORCE SURPASSED TO 2,000. FURTHER, ONE OF THE FOUR FIRMS IS PREPARING TO START THE PRODUCTION OF CONSTANT-VELOCITY UNIVERSAL JOINTS FOR AUTOMOBILES NEXT MAY.

NTN HAS DECIDED TO TAKE THAT OCCASION TO SET UP AN OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS IN THE U.S. FOR AN OVERALL MANAGEMENT OF THE FOUR SUBSIDIARIES. THE HEADQUARTERS WILL ALSO SERVE AS THE COMPUTER CENTER FOR THE NORTH AMERICAN REGION.

NTN ALSO HAS A PLAN TO ESTABLISH A SIMILAR HOLDING COMPANY IN EUROPE IN THE MONTHS AHEAD.

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#90242k0141 08/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 31) KYODO - JAPAN'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE STOOD AT 2.1 PERCENT IN JULY, DOWN 0.1 POINT OVER THE PREVIOUS MONTH, A PRELIMINARY GOVERNMENT REPORT SHOWED FRIDAY.

THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED IN JULY TOTALED 1.26 MILLION, A DECLINE OF 60,000 OR 4.5 PERCENT FROM A YEAR BEFORE, AND CONSISTED OF 710,000 MEN AND 550,000 WOMEN.

THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE HAS DRIFTED BETWEEN 2.0 AND 2.2 PERCENT SINCE JUNE 1989.

THE SIZE OF THE WORK FORCE, INCLUDING THE UNEMPLOYED, WAS 64.60 MILLION IN JULY, AN INCREASE OF 880,000 OR 1.4 PERCENT FROM A YEAR AGO, SAID THE REPORT RELEASED BY THE MANAGEMENT AND COORDINATION AGENCY.

THE MALE WORK FORCE TOTALED 38.18 MILLION, UP 1.0 PERCENT AND FEMALE WORK FORCE 26.41 MILLION, UP 1.9 PERCENT.

THOSE IN WORK TOTALED 63.34 MILLION IN JULY, AN INCREASE OF 940,000 OR 1.5 PERCENT OVER A YEAR EARLIER, COMPRISING 37.47 MILLION MEN AND 25.87 MILLION WOMEN.

A BREAKDOWN OF THOSE IN WORK SHOWED THERE WERE 9.22 MILLION SELF-EMPLOYED, DOWN 1.5 PERCENT FROM A YEAR AGO, 5.60 MILLION FAMILY WORKERS, DOWN 1.8 PERCENT, AND 48.29 MILLION SALARIED WORKERS, UP 2.5 PERCENT.

BY INDUSTRY, AGRICULTURE-FORESTRY ACCOUNTED FOR 4.77 MILLION, DOWN 1.2 PERCENT OVER A YEAR AGO, CONSTRUCTION 5.92 MILLION, UP 2.1 PERCENT, MANUFACTURING 15.26 MILLION, UP 1.7 PERCENT, WHOLESALE-RETAIL AND FOOD SERVICES 14.01 MILLION, DOWN 0.3 PERCENT, AND SERVICES 14.04 MILLION, UP 2.9 PERCENT.

THE LABOR MINISTRY SAID THE RATIO OF JOB OPENINGS TO JOB SEEKERS IN JULY STOOD AT A SEASONALLY ADJUSTED 1.30, DOWN 0.17 OVER JUNE.

THE FIGURE MEANS THERE WERE 130 JOB OPENINGS FOR EVERY 100 JOB SEEKERS IN

JULY, LABOR MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90242m0002 08/30/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys
FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG 30) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

Stocks rally in Tokyo and London. ... The Nikkei gains 775 points after the BANK OF JAPAN raised its discount rate to 6% from 5.25%. ... The FTSE is up 36 points in early afternoon trading. ... U.S. stocks overseas are flat on thin volume. ... The Dollar is stronger across the board. ... The long bond loses half point after yesterday's rally, yielding 8.97%. ... North Sea crude is up following yesterday's selloff. ... FUJITSU introduces two powerful supercomputers and an operating system that can run all the company's computers. ... KIDDER, PEABODY overtook MORGAN STANLEY as the Big Board's No. 1 program trader, and now accounts for a third of all stock-index arbitrage. ... LAURA ASHLEY HOLDINGS agreed to sell a 15% stake to Japanese chain store operator JUSCO for $58.1 million.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT is scheduled to release factory orders for July at 10 a.m. EDT. Analysts are expecting a rise of 1.5%. ... Energy Secretary JAMES WATKINS and the AMERICAN GAS ASSOCIATION hold a new conference at 10 a.m. EDT on the education initiative. ... Office of Thrift Supervision Director TIMOTHY RYAN holds a new conference at 11 a.m. EDT on the U.S. savings and loan industry. ... Labor Secretary ELIZABETH DOLE announces an initiative to reduce worker illness at 11 a.m. EDT.

FROM THE BEARS:

DAVID BOSTIAN, chief economist and investment strategist for JESUP JOSEPHTHAL & CO., sees a significant sell-off in the market before it could be considered undervalued. Relative to the pace of economic activity the Dow would have to fall to 200 to be undervalued, he says. "We were headed toward a recession before" the Middle East situation, says Bostian. This "mini oil shock" may simply make it more severe. ("Investor's Daily", 8/30)

The "economy is in bad shape and unlikely to get better anytime soon," says BRIAN FABBRI, chief economist at MIDLAND MONTAGU. He says stocks could go as low as 2100 before a bull market takes shape. ("USA Today", 8/30)

"What we've had the past four days is a reflex rally from an oversold condition," says PHILIP ROTH, senior vice president with DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS INC. "Generally, these kinds of rallies are sharp and brief. I am skeptical if there is more to exploit on the upside. ... I feel the market could be vulnerable here." His recommendation is to buy on weakness and sell into any strength. ("Investor's Daily", 8/30)

STOCK MARKET:

"The market seems to be setting itself up for another Friday fainting spell," says ROBERT STOVALL, president of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. "Many traders don't want to carry full commitments into a three-day weekend because of Middle East volatility." (NYT, 8/30)

The oil shock "exacerbates problems the market has had all along," says CHARLES CLOUGH, chief investment strategist at MERRILL LYNCH & CO. "Our problem is earnings. ... Without long rates going down much, we see a 15% risk in stocks." That would shoot the Dow down 390 points to 2210. ("Investor's Daily", 8/30)

"The risks still are basically to the downside," says MONTE GORDON, director of research at the DREYFUS CORP. He continues that the Mideast crisis will pass leaving higher oil prices, a changed political environment, and a weak economy. This will give the Fed room to ease and "then interest rates may start down." This is positive for the long-term investor who has the foresight to look ahead. He adds, "I am still wary of this market" so any stock picking needs to be done selectively. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/29)

"It's uncanny," says PETER GRENNAN, senior vice-president of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS, "that all of a sudden oil can have such a tight relationship with the stock market when we all know that there are many other factors that have an influence." He notes that long-term Treasury bonds being up also helped in yesterday's stock market rise. "If you had to pick a disappointing factor, it was the low volume," he says. (NYT, 8/30)

"I think the market may have bottomed on Thursday the twenty-third," says AL FRANK, editor of "The Prudent Speculator." "I think that might be the low for the year." Mr. Frank does, however, see the possibility of a retest of that low. He was also very encouraged by Wednesday's market action despite the low volume. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/29)

"There is no question that you will see a proliferation of arbitrage- like trades in a private market because of a lack of liquidity on exchanges imposed by program trading collars," says LOYD JOHNSON, vice president at ADVANCED INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, a Pittsburgh investment firm. "Last Thursday, we had no buyers at all in the S&P futures and that was the

result of the collars. Ordinarily, brokerage firms [conducting arbitrage] would be buying futures and selling stocks," says Johnson. "But now nobody in their right mind would take that kind of risk. Why fool around with this liquidity problem in the listed market when I can lock a trade up" in the over- the counter market? (WSJ, 8/30)

"The only thing that the market has on its side is history," says JOHN CONLON JR., head of the equities division at ROTHSCHILD INC. The "1990 Stock Traders Almanac" reports that the market has gone up 22 times in 28 years in the last three days before Labor Day. (NYT, 8/30)

STOCK TIPS:

MONTE GORDON, director of research at the DREYFUS CORP., recommends being very selective in choosing stocks in this uncertain environment. "I would go to the quality levels that were popular before the slide began and where I can still be confident three years from now that I am dealing with a company that has demonstrated its earning power. So I am still talking WAL-MART, TOYS R US, PROCTER & GAMBLE and J.C. PENNY ... Those kinds of companies - and MERCK - are the kinds of companies I'd still strongly consider going after." (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/29)

"Sallie Mae [STUDENT LOAN MARKETING ASSOCIATION] is one of the strongest financial institutions in the United States," says JOHN KEEFE, an analyst with BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD, who believes Sallie Mae's stock price will head back toward 50 by the end of the year. ERIC HEMEL, a FIRST BOSTON analyst, also likes Sallie Mae and says, "We see zero, and we mean zero, HEAF-related losses at Sallie Mae." (WSJ, 8/30)

Rising oil prices first led to cuts in earnings estimates for airline, trucking and chemical companies. Now analysts are reducing earnings estimates for automobile, machine tool and homebuilding companies, according to RICHARD PUCCI at LYNCH, JONES & RYAN. "They've cut estimates quite drastically. A few analysts have actually predicted that FORD, GM and CHRYSLER will all lose money in 1991," says Pucci. But ROBERT MORGENTHAU, fund manager with SHEARSON ASSET MANAGEMENT, says the market has already priced in poor earnings: "I don't think there's anybody out there who's going to be ... surprised by the fact that earnings are going to be lousy - everybody knows." Other companies vulnerable to an oil triggered recession: DOW, MONSANTO, HERCULES, ACME CLEVELAND, CINCINNATI MILACRON and KAUFMAN & BROAD HOMES. (CNN "Business Morning", 8/30)

AL FRANK, editor of "The Prudent Speculator," says that he has added to his buy list over the past week. He is now recommending eighty- one stocks for consideration compared to his last letter which only had 26 or so recommendations. He notes that he is 80% invested and will stay that way until he is sure the market has bottomed. Among his strongest recommendations is K-MART, "which is especially comfortable because it is

yielding a 6% dividend. ... It is at a bargain level and it is a good buy." He would buy it up to 29 3/8. He also likes CITICORP "which is a solid institution" that he would buy up to 19 1/2. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/29)

3COM lost nearly a third of its market value yesterday after the company warned of an unexpectedly bleak short-term outlook. SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM & CO. analyst THERESE MURPHY advised investors to avoid 3Com shares until revenue growth picks up, probably not until late in the second fiscal quarter ending in November or early in the third quarter. Both she and SALOMON BROTHERS analyst MICHELE GUITE cut their earnings estimates for the company's 1991 first quarter and full year. (WSJ, 8/30)

Driven by the Mideast crisis, gold peaked at $414 before sharply pulling back. "There was a peace scare," says ROBERT RADSCH, portfolio manager at BULL & BEAR GOLD INVESTORS, who still thinks gold has done well. "At the beginning of the month, gold was at $373, it's now $385 - stocks are down about 10% over that period, so gold has held its own." Radsch says the growth in the supply of gold is dwindling and that physical demand takes up nearly all production. He looks for prices to head higher. "I think the standard [gold] stocks will continue to do well," says Radsch, mentioning AMERICAN BARRICK, Canadian miner CORONA CORPORATION and HOMESTAKE MINING. (CNN "Business Day", 8/30)

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#90242m0003 08/30/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG 30) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

The dollar is enjoying a grace period, says MARK MORRIS, a dealer in New York for NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK. Even as it retains lingering support as a "haven" from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, the greenback is gaining from the effect that new-found optimism for peace is having on oil prices. (WSJ, 8/30)

Yesterday's hike in the Japanese discount rate by the BANK OF JAPAN may bode ill for other world economies. While widely anticipated, the rate hike of seventy-five basis points does not include concerns about the inflationary effects of the recent spike in oil prices on the Japanese economy, analysts say. A further hike may be in the cards by October, possibly triggering competitive hikes globally. "If that happens, the U.S. Federal Reserve's leeway to adjust monetary policy and shore up the flagging economy could be severely restrained, which in turn could raise fears of a collapse in the dollar," observes KAZUAKI HARADA, senior

managing director at SANWA INSTITUTE. (Reuters, 8/30)

"The temptation for the Fed to ease policy will certainly increase if oil prices stay stable," says RAYMOND STONE, a managing director at STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. "I would like to see them ease policy over the next few days, but the situation in the Middle East looks so tenuous that it makes it hard to predict if oil prices will stay down." (NYT, 8/30)

In London overnight, U.S. treasuries eased on thin trading, while oil edged up after yesterday's steep drop. "I don't think oil is such a strong factor [for treasuries] now," says one London trader. "Oil has come off six dollars from the highs and bonds have gone up over two points from the lows." (Reuters, 8/30)

"We think that in a recession, inflation and interest rates will come down. And once you get past this Middle East crisis [long-term bonds] should do well," says ART MICHELETTI, director of research at BAILARD, BIEHL & KAISER, a money management firm in San Mateo, Calif. Currently they are telling their clients to have 15% in U.S. stocks, 10% in international stocks, 50% in long-term bonds, 10% in commercial real estate and 15% in cash. ("USA Today", 8/30)

"The crude oil price broke and the bonds as a consequence went crazy," says BEAR STEARNS technical analyst JACK SOLOMON. (Reuters, 8/29) 1

"It could all change with one gunshot, but right now everything is going in the right direction for the [bond] market," says MITCHELL STAFMAN, head of the government trading desk at CHEMICAL BANK. (NYT, 8/30)

THE ECONOMY:

"I think we're right on the edge" of a recession, says STUART HOFFMAN, chief economist at PNC FINANCIAL CORP. in Pittsburgh. "I really don't see any growth at all in the fourth quarter." (WSJ, 8/30)

"We still think the economy has enough momentum to avoid a recession," says DARRYL DELANO, senior economist with CAHNERS ECONOMICS in Newton, Mass. (NYT, 8/30)

"In the coming month, we will know whether this sudden drop in [consumer] confidence will endure or even worsen," says RICHARD CURTIN, director of CONSUMER SURVEYS at the UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN. "If there is no rebound, then we must talk of recessionary cutbacks in consumer spending. The economy is certainly vulnerable." (NYT, 8/30)

"What happened [to consumer confidence] in August may be an initial panic reaction, and we may get a rebound in September," says JASON BRAM, a CONFERENCE BOARD economist. "If the indexes bounce back more than half way, then we can look back and say it was only an initial shock reaction." (NYT, 8.30)

The index of leading indicators was unchanged for July. LYNN RAESER, senior economist with FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP in Los Angeles, says the index in July was at the same level as it was in January 1989. "It points to an economy that has been going sideways since then." (NYT, 8/30)

GORDON RICHARDS, an economist for the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS, says, "While these [leading indicator index] figures indicate that the economy was already sluggish prior to the Middle East crisis, they do not point to the emergence of a recession. Since this time however, the sharp rise in world oil prices has made a downturn almost inevitable." (WSJ, 8/30)

The leading indicators report reflects a "lull before the storm," says WILLIAM MacREYNOLDS, director of forecasting for the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. "The indicators will drop next month, and they will drop rather dramatically." ("Investor's Daily", 8/30)

"The research data we are getting tell us that a large portion of the population will reduce its spending," says BERNARD BRENNAN, chairman and chief executive of MONTGOMERY WARD. "On top of the Mideast crisis itself, the call-up of reserves is creating a lot of emotion. It is adding to the concern many people feel." (NYT, 8/30)

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#90242p0004 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Limited, Inc. (NYSE/LSE/TSE: LTD) announced today that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.06 per share payable on Sept. 18, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 10, 1990. This is the sixty-fourth consecutive quarterly dividend.

The Limited, Inc., through the Limited, Express, Victoria's Secret, Henri Bendel, Lerner New York, Lane Bryant, Abercrombie & Fitch, and Penhaligon's, presently operates 3,290 specialty apparel stores and distributes apparel nationally through the Victoria's Secret, Lerner Direct, Lane Bryant Direct and Roaman's catalogues.

CONTACT: Alfred S. Dietzel of The Limited, Inc., 614-479-7070

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#90242p0009 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FLA. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc. (NYSE: HBJ) announces the declaration on Aug. 30, 1990 of the regular quarterly dividend on the company's 12 percent Preferred Stock. The record date for payment of the dividend is Sept. 7, 1990, and the dividend will be paid on Sept. 28, 1990.

The quarterly dividend (which amounts to 40.5 cents per share) has been computed on the $13.50 liquidation value of the 12 percent Preferred Stock and will be paid in 12 percent Preferred Stock at the rate of one share for each $13.50 of the amount of dividend paid. Fractional shares will be paid in cash.

CONTACT: C. Anson Franklin, vice president of Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc., 407-345-3010

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#90242p0012 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAINESVILLE, FL (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Phoenix Advanced Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: PATI) announced today that Phoenix has signed an agreement with the University of Florida Research Foundation, Inc. giving Phoenix exclusive rights to market a new isotonic thirst quencher beverage called TQII.

This isotonic beverage was developed by Dr. Robert Cade, professor of medicine at the University of Florida and two other scientists at the university. Dr. Cade is the developer of the isotonic beverage Gatorade(R).

Dr. Cade has conducted preliminary tests that indicate this product is more effective than other isotonic drinks such as Gatorade in that it maintains blood volume during exercise better than Gatorade or water. Preliminary tests also indicate that TQII provides a steady supply of fuel that active muscles convert to energy.

The company is now determining whether to manufacture and market TQII or to license TQII to a major food company for national distribution.

Patents for TQII have been applied for in the United States and internationally.

According to the Wall Street Journal annual sales of sports beverages are projected at over $1.1 billion by 1995.

CONTACT: Howel H. Hopson, president of Phoenix Advanced Technology, Inc., 904-372-9585

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#90242p0015 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MICH. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William T. McCormick Jr. has been nominated chairman of the American Gas Association (AGA) for 1990-91 by the AGA board of directors. AGA is an international trade association representing approximately 250 gas distribution and transmission companies in the U.S. and Canada.

Currently first vice chairman of the AGA board, McCormick is in succession to become AGA chairman this fall. McCormick, 45, became chairman of Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy, in 1985. Prior to that he had been chairman, president and chief executive officer of American Natural Resources Company (ANR), a diversified energy firm.

"I'm looking forward to helping expand the role of natural gas in our nation's energy future," McCormick noted. "Particularly during these times of uncertainty over energy supplies and environmental impact, the abundance of clean supplies of natural gas in North America is important," McCormick added.

McCormick was previously vice president for policy analysis and government relations at AGA and served in several senior positions in the U.S. government, including on the White House staff. He earned a doctoral degree in nuclear engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a bachelor's degree in engineering physics from Cornell University.

CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS) is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services. CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth-largest combination utility.

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#90242p0019 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Takara Co., Ltd., Japan's second largest toy manufacturer, will open a research facility today at 568 Broadway, in Soho, New York City. It is Takara's first research facility outside of Japan.

The research facility's purpose is to develop ideas for new products that can be marketed worldwide. The official name of the facility will be

Takara Design of New York.

"There is a certain limit of creative development in Japan," said Isao Kokubun, general manager of Takara. "We cannot expand our know-how by depending only on the Japanese youth or the Japanese trading companies; we must also observe the needs and markets of youngsters in the United States."

"With the opening of this facility, Takara hopes to get a better sense for products that will appeal to both the American and Japanese people," added Tohru Tomita, chief director at Takara Design of New York.

Takara produces a variety of internationally popular products under license, such as the Transformers toy line and the Game of Life. Takara manufactured the Jenny Doll and the Licca Doll in Japan. The company employs more than 1,100 people worldwide and had total sales of approximately $275 million last year.

Takara's latest products are based on "Humantronics"(TM), an animation technology, the name of which combines the words "human" and "electronic." The products respond to external stimuli, particularly sound, with movement.

Takara's Rock'N Flower(TM), the first product in the line, has sold 3 million units in the United States since its introduction in June 1989.

CONTACT: Helen Salzhauer of Dentsu Burson-Marsteller, 212-614-5257, for Takara

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#90242p0020 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hallwood Group Incorporated (NYSE: HWG) announced today that it is considering the implications of the filing yesterday by Equitec Financial Group, Inc. of a petition in bankruptcy under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, and its impact on Hallwood's proposed consolidation of 11 Equitec real estate limited partnerships.

Equitec has advised Hallwood that Equitec desires to proceed with the transaction as previously proposed and will promptly seek all required authorization for it to do so. Hallwood stated that it remains desirous of proceeding with the proposed consolidation if it may be consummated expeditiously.

CONTACT: James N. Fingeroth or Mary T. Conway, Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Hallwood Group.

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#90242p0022 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Chambers Development Co. Inc. (AMEX: CDVA, CDVB) a leading national environmental services firm, has reached a definitive agreement to acquire certain parts of Chrin Brothers Landfill and Chrin Hauling, Inc. in eastern Pennsylvania.

Located in the Lehigh Valley, near Allentown, Bethlehem and Easton, the acquisition includes a site which has a permit from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources (DER) for operation of a sanitary landfill and a permit application for expansion at the same location.

The acquisition is conditional upon issuance by the Pennsylvania DER of the required permits.

Also, because the acquired area is technically within the boundaries of the industrial lane site on the national priorities list, there are significant additional safeguards related to environmental liability and indemnification.

Together, the collection, hauling, recycling operations and landfill are expected to generate more than 12 million in sales annually.

"This acquisition represents an important opportunity to Chambers," said Alexander Rangos, Chambers executive vice president. "Chrin is a well established, fully integrated waste collection, recycling and disposal operation in Pennsylvania's fifth largest metropolitan market. The operations are built on the same commitment to quality service, competitive pricing and attention to community concerns that have been such an important element to Chambers."

Rangos added that the proposed acquisition represents an important step in Chambers' strategy to offer services in major urban markets. The site is situated near Interstate 78 and is expected to serve the Lehigh Valley area.

"This new landfill fits well into our plans for multi-site regional disposal systems that will provide long-term environmentally sound solid disposal for Pennsylvania residents," Rangos said, adding that when fully permitted, the facility will have 3.5 million cubic yards of airspace for refuse.

Chambers Development Company, headquartered in Pittsburgh, offers services in collection, hauling, disposal, recycling and landfill development. The company also provides security services through its wholly owned subsidiary, Security Bureau Inc., among the 20 largest U.S. security firms.

CONTACT: Jim Leonard of Chambers Development Co. Inc., 412-244-7560

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#90242p0027 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROCKY MOUNT, NC (AUG 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal Reserve has approved the merger of Peoples Bancorporation (AMEX: PBK) and The Planters Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: PNBT) into a new bank holding company, Centura Banks Inc. The Fed also approved the merger of Peoples Bank, Planters Bank and Peoples Bank of the Triad, subsidiaries of the parent companies.

The Fed's approval means the merger can occur as early as Sept. 28, subject to the terms of the approval, which includes completion of the previously-announced divestiture of 11 Peoples and Planters offices.

"We are extremely pleased to receive the Fed's approval," said Planters Chairman J. Richard Futrell Jr., who will hold the same position with Centura, and Peoples Chairman Robert R. Mauldin, who will be president.

"There are exciting opportunities ahead for Centura Banks. Without any doubt, this partnership is creating exceptional value for everyone involved with our banks - employees, customers, communities and shareholders."

Futrell and Mauldin said the divestiture should be completed in early October and the target date for the merger remains Nov. 2.

Peoples is the ninth largest bank holding company in North Carolina, with total assets on June 30, 1990, of $1.4 billion. Its subsidiaries include Peoples Bank and Trust, Peoples Bank of the Triad, Mid-South Bank and Trust, and Watauga Savings.

Planters is the tenth largest bank holding company in North Carolina, with total assets on June 30, 1990, of $1.2 billion. Planters National Bank and Trust is its sole subsidiary. Centura Banks Inc. will be the seventh-largest bank holding company in the state.

CONTACT: A. Douglas Haynes, Corporate Communications, Centura Banks Inc., (919) 977-8429.

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#90242p0028 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
LAS VEGAS (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Circus Circus Enterprises Inc. (NYSE: CIR) today reported its results for the second quarter and six months ended July 31, 1990.

For the quarter, earnings per share were $.59 compared with $.76 in last year's same quarter. In the quarter, the company wrote off its preopening

expenses associated with Excalibur, which opened on June 19.

These preopening expenses were approximately $11.2 million pretax (amounting, on a net-income basis, to $.27 per share). Excluding these one-time expenses, Circus' earnings per share in the second quarter would have been $.86.

Revenues were $176,350,000 compared with $139,729,000 in the year-ago second quarter. Net income was $16,318,000 against $21,797,000. (Excluding preopening expenses, net income would have been $23,695,000 in the quarter.) Average shares outstanding were $27.5 million against 28.6 million.

Excalibur produced essentially all the company's growth in revenues and operating income in the quarter. In its initial 43 days of operation (through July 31), Excalibur generated operating income of approximately $11 million and posted an operating profit margin above 25 percent. The occupancy rate at the property, which has 4,032 rooms, was approximately 99 percent.

At Circus Circus-Las Vegas, meanwhile, operating income was off more than 15 percent in the second quarter, as walk-in traffic was affected by the start-up phases of both Excalibur and a large competitor.

Moreover, the lack of a long July 4 holiday weekend this year, against a four-day holiday last year when the property achieved record results, made for difficult comparisons in the quarter.

Circus Circus-Reno turned in moderate growth in operating income, while the company's two Laughlin properties, on a combined basis, were down moderately in operating income. The Edgewater, for its part, is undergoing a major construction project - a 988-room tower slated to open next February.

For the six months, Circus reported earnings per share of $1.29 compared with $1.40 per share. Net income was $35,552,000 against $40,821,000. (Excluding the preopening expenses for Excalibur, net income in the six months would have been $42,929,000, and earnings per share $1.56). Average shares outstanding were 27.5 million versus 29.2 million. Revenues were $309,651,000 versus $267,185,000.

Circus Circus Enterprises Inc. operates seven properties in Nevada: Excalibur; the Circus Circus resorts in Las Vegas and Reno; the Colorado Belle and Edgewater in Laughlin; and Slots-A-Fun and Silver City in Las Vegas.

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#90242p0029 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunex Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNX) today announced that it has created and filled the position of vice president of communications to meet the increasing communications demands arising from the company's transition to a fully integrated pharmaceutical company. The new vice president, Jason Rubin, is former vice president and director of the biotechnology group at Hill and Knowlton Inc. in Washington, D.C.

"Jason brings with him a broad range of experience in managing media relations for leading biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies," said Alan Frazier, Immunex's executive vice president and chief financial officer. "His knowledge and abilities are just what we need to prepare for the media-related activities of the product launch of GM-CSF and other products currently under development."

Before his work at Hill and Knowlton, Rubin was a senior associate with Adams and Rinehart Inc., in New York, where he directed public and investor relations programs for several major biotechnology and computer companies. Rubin holds a master's degree in management from the Sloan School of Management at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Valoree Dowell, Immunex's director of communications, will continue in her current position and will devote her time primarily to the increasing demands of investor relations.

Immunex is a leading biotechnology firm focused on the research, development, marketing and manufacture of immunological therapeutic products.

CONTACT: Valoree Dowell of Immunex Corp., 206-587-0430; or Joseph Jennings or Gregory Spector of Joseph Jennings Communications Inc., 415-349-8400, for Immunex.

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#90242p0031 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Sterling Medical Systems, Inc. (SMS)(NASDAQ: SSYS) has announced the first release of stock under an equity funding agreement with Sierra-Pacific Medical Technologies Corp.

Pursuant to the agreement negotiated between the two companies last March, Sierra-Pacific has committed to invest a minimum of $4 million dollars for the purchase of Sterling's common stock.

The infusion of equity funds will be utilized by Sterling at their

discretion to implement the first stage of its financial plan. The program calls for (1) inventory build-up of Sterling's enteral feeding product group; and (2) inventory purchase of a new non-invasive, muscle diagnostic product group.

The exclusive marketing rights to the new product group were acquired in February of this year, and subsequently assigned to Sterling under a separate agreement.

Based upon its own market research, Sierra-Pacific projects that over the next 18 months, the marketing rights to California alone will yield a profit to Sterling in excess of $10 million dollars.

More importantly, the sales of this diagnostic product group will provide immediate cash flow to Sterling while its enteral group inventory build-up is being completed. Details of this diagnostic product group will be released in future announcements.

In summary, the infusion of equity capital into Sterling Medical Systems, Inc. through the purchase of common stock by Sierra-Pacific Medical Technologies Corp. will enable SMS to commence the first stage of its financial plan.

CONTACT: Michael S. Eldredge, president of Sierra-Pacific Medical Technologies Corp. or Kip Eardley of Sterling Medical Systems, (801) 975-9700.

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#90242p0032 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Wheelchair Olympic hopeful Bert Burns, victim of a 1982 drunk driving crash, will represent the promise of thousands of Atlanta residents to "DRIVE FOR LIFE" this holiday weekend at a news conference hosted by Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and Volkswagen United States (VW/US) at Atlanta's Shepherd Spinal Center, Thursday, Aug. 30, at 10 a.m.

Burns, a therapeutic recreation specialist at the Spinal Center, together with Micky Sadoff, national president MADD, Atlanta Deputy Police Chief W.J. Taylor, and Rich Weidman, manager of the Southeast Zone for Volkswagen, will kick off DRIVE FOR LIFE 1990 by pledging to drive safe and sober Saturday, Sept. 1.

For the fourth year, Volkswagen and MADD have teamed up to sponsor DRIVE FOR LIFE, a national public-awareness campaign to reduce alcohol-related traffic crashes. They are asking Atlanta residents to pledge to drive safe and sober Labor Day weekend and to uphold that pledge throughout the year. Motorists also are asked to turn on their headlights while driving

on Sept. 1 in remembrance of the nearly 23,000 people needlessly killed and injured in drunk driving crashes each year.

At the news conference, officials from the city of Atlanta, MADD and VW/US will hear Deputy Chief Taylor read a proclamation from Atlanta Mayor Maynard Jackson declaring Sept. 1 DRIVE FOR LIFE day in the city. After reading the proclamation, dignitaries, Burns and guests will sign a large DRIVE FOR LIFE petition.

Burns, a graduate of the University of Florida, became a quadriplegic following a 1982 automobile crash in which a drunk driver ran a red light and hit Burns' car. In September 1982, after several months of rehabilitation, Burns began to compete in road races and track.

This summer, Burns competed and won his division in the wheelchair division of Atlanta's annual Peachtree Road Race, co-sponsored by Volkswagen's Southeast Zone and Shepherd Spinal Center. Volkswagen also sponsored Burns' participation in the Wheelchair Athletes World Championships in the Netherlands in July. Burns currently is training to compete in the 1990 Pan American games in Venezuela as a member of the United States Disabled Sports Team (USDST).

In the last four years, DRIVE FOR LIFE has achieved steadily increasing success. In 1989, alcohol-related traffic fatalities on DRIVE FOR LIFE Day were down 25.7 percent from the same day a year before.

Shepherd Spinal Center is located at 2020 Peachtree Rd., N.W., Atlanta.

CONTACT: Nona Gibbs of MADD Fulton County, 404-594-0234; Mike Aukerman of Volkswagen United States, 404-951-5011; or Michelle Dallos of Casey Communications, 313-423-4600.

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#90242p0035 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Sir Gordon White, chairman of Hanson Industries, the U.S. arm of Hanson PLC (NYSE: HAN), announced today that Newmont Mining Corporation (NYSE: NEM), which is 49 percent owned by Hanson, has filed a registration statement for the proposed public offering of 12 million shares of Newmont common stock and 6 million warrants to purchase an additional share of Newmont common stock.

Newmont proposes to offer 3.6 million shares, or 30 percent of the common stock included in the offering. A wholly owned subsidiary of Consolidated Gold Fields proposes to offer 8.4 million shares, or 70 percent, of the common stock included in the offering. All of the warrants to be offered will be issued by Newmont. The proposed transaction has been structured to enable Newmont to purchase from Consolidated, at the exercise price,

all of the common stock necessary for Newmont to satisfy its obligations upon exercise of the warrants.

Hanson acquired its stake in Newmont as part of its August 1989 acquisition of Consolidated Gold Fields. The proposed offering would reduce Hanson's stake from 49 percent to approximately 26 percent, assuming exercise of the warrants in full.

Sir Gordon stated "Hanson is pleased to be working with Newmont's management team in connection with this transaction. The offering will permit Newmont to raise additional capital and, at the same time, affords Consolidated Gold Fields the opportunity to monetize a portion of its investment while continuing to maintain a significant stake in Newmont."

The offering of the shares of Newmont common stock and the warrants will only be made by means of a prospectus under the Securities Act of 1933.

Hanson PLC is a British-American industrial management corporation. In the U.S., Hanson Industries' operations include SCM Chemicals, Peabody Holding Company, Jacuzzi Whirlpool Bath and Spa Products, Grove Crane, Ames Tools, Universal Gym, Endicott Johnson and Frye Footwear, Hanson Lighting Group, Kaiser Cement, Weber Aircraft, Farberware Cookware, and Gold Fields Mining among others.

In the United Kingdom, Hanson's holdings include Imperial Tobacco, Ever Ready Batteries, ARC Aggregates, London Brick, Butterly Brick, and Smith Meters.

CONTACT: Karen Levy of Hanson Industries, 011-4471-245-1245 or after Monday, Sept. 3: 212-826-0098.

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#90242p0036 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today reported that its vehicle sales outside of North America for the first seven months of 1990 have topped 35,000 units, an increase of 20 percent over the 29,000 units sold in the same period in 1989.

In Taiwan, Chrysler sold more vehicles in the January-July period than in the entire 1989 calendar year. The total sales of 5,237 for the first seven months exceeded the 1,725 vehicles sold in the comparable 1989 by 204 percent and surpassed the 4,109 units sold during all of 1989.

In Europe, sales continue to top year-ago numbers, with sales in the first seven months of 1990 up 13.5 percent -- 26,811 vs. 23,710 in 1989. Chrysler sells vehicles through a network of more than 800 dealers in 12 western and southern European countries.

"We have recently begun selling our products in Spain, which will have a positive impact on our performance in Europe," said Patrick R. Smorra, General Manager - International Sales and Marketing. "We see our 1990 European sales surpassing the 39,000 we sold in 1989 based on the acceptance of Chrysler products."

The Jeep Cherokee and Voyager minivan are Chrysler's best sellers outside of North America with international sales of nearly 12,100 and 7,800 respectively. The Jeep Wrangler, with more than 3,200 sales in the first seven months of 1990, is No. 3, followed by the Chrysler LeBaron coupe and convertible models with 1990 sales of more than 2,500.

Cherokee and Voyager also are Chrysler's top-selling European models. Through July of this year, 10,816 Cherokees and 7,672 Voyagers have been sold, accounting for nearly 70 percent of Chrysler's total sales in Europe.

"We continue to work on sales in Japan and our 1990 sales, though still modest, have increased 83 percent over 1989's seven-month sales," Smorra said. "With this fall's addition of the Honda Primo dealers to our dealer network in Japan, we are looking to boost sales of our popular Jeep lineup and build on our commitment to the Japanese market."

CONTACT: Karen M. Stewart of Chrysler, 313-252-8800

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DANBURY, CT (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc. (NYSE: UK) today announced a price increase of three cents per pound for Flexol(R) Plasticizer EPO (epoxidized soybean oil), effective Sept. 1, 1990 for spot customers and Oct. 1, 1990 for contract customers.

The company said the price increase is based on rising costs of raw materials, soybean oil refining, and general manufacturing. Flexol Plasticizer EPO is used in a variety of applications, including PVC film and sheeting, vinyl plastics, food wrap film, and medical devices.

CONTACT: J. R. Zingaro of Union Carbide, (203) 794-2738.

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#90242p0039 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO, TX (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Exploration Company (NASDAQ: TXCO) today announced that it has successfully negotiated a major investment in the company by its largest shareholder, Spectrum Resources, Inc. (SRI). TXCO will acquire over 30,000 acres of oil and gas leases in the prolific Austin Chalk trend in Zavala and Maverick counties of Texas

and $500,000 cash in exchange for 20,205,051 shares of TXCO common stock.

With the transfer of SRI's basis in the acreage and the private placement, TXCO's assets will increase by approximately $2,250,000.

TXCO is currently drilling the La Paloma No. 2-51 under a joint venture agreement with a New York Stock Exchange oil and gas company on its 50,000 acre La Paloma lease in Maverick county, Texas. The La Paloma No. 1-112 has been drilled horizontally approximately 1,500 feet in the Pearsall formation and is currently being completed.

With the additional acreage and cash, TXCO feels it is in an excellent position to take advantage of the horizontal drilling technology now occurring in the oil and gas industry.

TXCO will continue to acquire other prospects to utilize management's experience with horizontal drilling and to enhance its position during a time of growing concern for increased domestic oil and gas exploration and production.

CONTACT: James E. Sigmon, president of The Exploration Company, 512-525-1115.

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#90242p0044 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Misti Gold Bio-Oncotic(TM) Gel-Filled Breast Prosthesis, developed by Bioplasty, Inc. (NASDAQ: BIOP) of St. Paul, Minn., ushers in a new generation of biomaterials technology.

Utilizing the proven Misti surface-patterned mammary prosthesis shell, and a revolutionary new filler material - Bio-Oncotic Gel - the Misti Gold Implant is created to eliminate most problems associated with traditional silicone mammary implants.

Silicone gel and saline-filled breast implants have been found to block x-rays. Thus, early tissue changes indicating the presence of cancers may be missed on mammograms.

To resolve this problem, Bioplasty, Inc. has developed Bio-Oncotic Gel. This new gold-colored implant filler has been found to be more transparent to x-rays than either silicone gel or saline solution, and it is comparable to natural breast tissue when seen on x-rays.

The consistency of a Bio-Oncotic Gel-Filled Implant is similar to natural breast tissue when placed in the body. The gel has superior lubricating qualities. For this reason, shell rupture associated with saline-filled implants is expected to be rare.

In the event an implant containing Bio-Oncotic Gel should rupture, this biocompatible filler material is quickly eliminated from the body through the kidneys within a few days.

Each year, over 150,000 women choose to surgically augment their breast size. A multicenter study reported in the September issue of "Contempary Surgery," states that use of Misti surface-patterned implants effects a significant reduction in capsular contracture (hard breasts).

Using old style smooth-surfaced implants, contractures occurred in approximately 25 percent of cases during the first postoperative year. With Misti surface-patterned prostheses, contractures appeared in fewer than two percent of patients for the same period.

Studies show that the unique Misti surface encourages development of a thinner scar capsule, resulting in a softer, more natural-looking augmentation.

The Misti Gold Mammary Implant, containing Bio-Oncotic Gel, is commercially available in Western Europe, but has not yet been cleared for market in the United States.

CONTACT: Tim Lawin or Robyn Lampright, (612) 636-4112 or 1-800-328-9105, both of Bioplasty, Inc.

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#90242p0047 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: WILL), publishers, announced today that net income for the fiscal 1991 first quarter ended July 31, 1990, increased 17 percent to $2.1 million, or 48 cents per share, compared with $1.8 million, or 41 cents per share, for the prior year's first quarter.

Revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 increased 3 percent to $75.4 million compared with $73.4 million for the first quarter of the prior year.

Revenue and earnings increases were largely attributable to the company's scientific, technical and medical publishing sector, paced by increased journal subscription revenues including an additional month of operations in fiscal 1991's first quarter related to the Wiley-Liss division, which was acquired in June 1989. The professional and trade publishing sector continued to experience strong revenue and operating income gains resulting from expanded trade and subscription-based programs.

These gains were offset by the loss of operating contribution associated

with the occupational and nursing publishing lines sold during the second quarter of fiscal 1990, as well as a decreased contribution from the company's educational publishing sector. The training sector's operating loss was reduced compared with the prior year's first quarter.

Also contributing to the improvement in earnings was an increase in interest income due to higher cash balances related to the proceeds received on the businesses sold in fiscal 1990, offset somewhat by higher interest expense due to the additional month of Liss acquisition financing costs in fiscal 1991.

Founded in New York in 1807, John Wiley & Sons is an independent, global publishing company that specializes in scientific and technical books and journals, professional and trade books and subscription services, and educational textbooks and other materials for colleges and universities. Its Wilson Learning training group provides information, services and multi-media instruction to business, commerce and industry worldwide.

CONTACT: Robert D. Wilder, vice president and chief financial officer of John Wiley & Sons, 212-850-6534.

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#90242p0048 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

JAMESTOWN, N.Y. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Frank T. Costanzo, chief executive officer of Electronic Technology Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: ETEK; BSE: ETE) today announced the consummation of ETEK's previously announced acquisition of Advanced Printed Circuit Technology II, Inc. (ACT II) of Tempe, Ariz. for $4.5 million.

Curt B. Westrom, ETEK's chief financial officer stated that ACT II's sales through July 31, 1990 were expected to approximate $11 million. Westrom further stated that after giving effect to its acquisition of ACT II, ETEK's consolidated operating revenues for its fiscal year ending July 31, 1991 would approximate $21 million. This would be a three-fold increase over the approximate $7 million for its fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

Westrom indicated that, in the absence of any significant recessionary impact upon the electronics industry and assuming no further acquisitions by ETEK during its current fiscal year, ETEK anticipated earnings of approximately $.70 per share for its current fiscal year, including approximately $.38 per share to be derived as a consequence of its acquisition of ACT II.

Electronic Technology Group, Inc. is a manufacturer of high quality electronic assemblies for the medical electronics, industrial controls, transportation and music industries. Electronic Technology Group, Inc., headquartered in Jamestown, N.Y. owns and operates EJE Research

Corporation of Buffalo, N.Y., Liberty Engineering, Inc. of Waltham, Mass. and Moog Music Inc. of Jamestown.

CONTACT: Frank T. Costanzo, CEO of Electronic Technology Group, Inc., 716-488-9699

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#90242p0049 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, VA (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobil Exploration Somalia Inc., an affiliate of Mobil Corporation (NYSE: MOB), announced today it has signed a joint venture agreement with Pecten Somalia Company, a subsidiary of Shell U.S.A., to explore a 14.9-million-acre block offshore Somalia. The concession area, originally awarded to Pecten in 1988, extends for 1,200 kilometers along the Somali Indian Ocean coast.

Pecten, as operator, has already conducted extensive seismic evaluation of the block. The partners will equally share the exploration risk and any resulting production for the duration of the concession. They expect to spud the first wildcat well in early 1991.

"If we are successful, the discovery of commercial petroleum would strengthen Somalia's economy and thus reduce or eliminate its dependency on imported energy," said J. Robert Gaca, president of Mobil New Exploration Ventures. "While there are no guarantees that exploration will discover large reserves, we consider this block holds promise as a highly prospective oil and gas area."

CONTACT: John Lord of Mobil, (703) 846-2500.

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#90242p0051 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - UGI Corp. (NYSE: UGI) announced today that it will join in the national gas industry's 10-year commitment to improve the quality of education in the United States and support the education goals of the Bush administration and the National Governors Association.

James A. Sutton, chairman and chief executive officer, also announced that UGI and its AmeriGas subsidiary are structuring their future contributions programs to focus a major portion of these resources on education.

Sutton noted that the company's programs "will emphasize commitments in communities where our utility and propane units operate and where our support can have an impact on the quality of education."

UGI's gas and electric utilities operate in 15 central, eastern and

southeastern Pennsylvania counties. AmeriGas, the nation's third largest propane distributor, operates in 36 states.

"UGI is pleased to support the American Gas Association's (A.G.A.) 'Education 2000' initiative which was announced today in Washington," Sutton said. A.G.A's program will build on existing industry activities and promote new local and state efforts to further educational improvement. A.G.A. will also represent the industry nationally in partnership arrangements with government, business, educational and other organizations, he said.

A.G.A., headquartered in Arlington, Va., is a national trade association composed of 250 natural gas distribution and transmission companies.

CONTACT: Vince Testa of UGI, 215-337-1000

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#90242p0052 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISON, NJ (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Lechters, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: LECH) announced today that net income for the twenty-six week period ended July 28, 1990 was $687,000 as compared with net income of $356,000 for the prior year's comparable period, a 93 percent increase.

Net income per share for this period was $0.09 as compared with $0.06 for such period during the prior year. Sales for said twenty-six week period were $69,783,000, as compared with sales of $57,807,000 for the prior year's comparable period, an increase of 21 percent.

For the thirteen week period ended July 28, 1990, the company's net income was $394,000, as compared with net income of $204,000 in the prior year's comparable period, a 93 percent increase. Net income per share for this period was $0.05 as compared with $0.03 for such period during the prior year.

Sales for said thirteen week period were $36,616,000, as compared with sales of $30,736,000 for the prior year's comparable period, an increase of 19 percent. On July 28, 1990 the company operated 326 stores, 49 more than a year earlier.

LECHTERS, INC. REPORTS (UNAUDITED)

26 Weeks ended	7/28/90	7/29/89
Sales	$69,783,000	$57,807,000
Gross profit (net of occupancy & indirect costs)	21,634,000	17,946,000
Selling, general & administration expenses	19,737,000	15,890,000
Interest expense	753,000	1,457,000

Income before income tax provision	1,144,000	599,000
Income tax provision	457,000	243,000
Net income	687,000	356,000
Per share earnings	$0.09	$0.06
Weighted average shares outstanding	7,252,886	6,164,267

13 Weeks ended	7/28/90	7/29/89
Sales	$36,616,000	$30,736,000
Gross profit (net of occupancy & indirect costs)	11,342,000	9,539,000
Selling, general & administration expenses	10,217,000	8,416,000
Interest expense	469,000	779,000
Income before income tax provision	656,000	344,000
Income tax provision	262,000	140,000
Net income	394,000	204,000
Per share earnings	$0.05	$0.03
Weighted average shares outstanding	7,269,374	6,226,861

In addition, the company reported sales of $14.5 million for the four-week period ended Aug. 25, 1990, which rr?esents and increase of 18 percent over sales of $12.3 million for the comparable period in 1989. The company's comparable stores sales decreased 1.2 percent during this period as compared with such period during the prior year.

Sales of $84.3 million for the thirty weeks ended Aug. 25, 1990 represent an increase of 20 percent over sales of $70.1 million for the comparable period in 1989. Year-to-date through Aug. 25, 1990, the company's comparable store sales were up 0.7 percent.

Lechters, Inc., based in Harrison, N.J., operates 339 specialty houseware stores in thirty-two states as compared with 280 stores on Aug. 26, 1989, an increase of 21 percent.

During the balance of this year the company plans to open 29 stores and close one store, and expects to have 367 stores in operation by the end of its fiscal year in January 1991, as compared with 297 stores in operation at the end of its fiscal year in January 1990. This represents a net increase of 70 stores (75 stores opened and five stores closed).

The company continues implementation of Point-of-Sale registers and anticipates that all stores will be converted to P.O.S. by Nov. 15, 1990. This represents a six month acceleration in converting to P.O.S. over the company's original plan.

CONTACT: Leonard Pfeffer, executive vice president of Lechters, (201) 481-1100.

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#90242p0056 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURLINGTON, N.C. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: EDIT) announced today that it has been awarded a research and development contract from the United States Department of Defense to develop specialized diagnostic tests for the U.S. Military.

Pursuant to the Phase I fixed-price contract totalling $46,000, the Company will develop specialized diagnostic tests to detect certain substances using its patented QUIK-CARD technology incorporated in the EZ-SCREEN Test System.

James D. Skinner, EDI President and Chief Executive, said, "The need for rapid diagnostic tests in military applications provides a vast opportunity for the EDI QUIK-CARD technology. Because the Company's testing system is completely portable and may be adapted to a wide range of testing requirements, it is ideal for military field applications. If the Phase I research and development program is successfully completed, we anticipate that this project may lead to production of commercial quantities of the new tests for the military."

Mr. Skinner added: "Our Company's strategy is to expand its products to solve the testing needs of various markets using its very well patented and proprietary technology. This Phase I contract will provide EDI with the opportunity to address a totally new market that has exciting potential."

Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. develops and manufactures human clinical and agricultural diagnostics specifically designed for on-site testing by non-technical personnel. The Company's EZ-SCREEN products provide the accuracy of laboratory results in minutes.

CONTACT: Terry Johnson, Vice President-Finance, Environmental Diagnostics, Inc., 919-226-6311

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#90242p0057 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHESDA, MD (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Martin Marietta Corporation (NYSE: ML) has been awarded $11 million in advance funding by General Electric Company (NYSE: GE) to begin work as the dual manufacturing source for sophisticated electronic diagnostic equipment for the U.S. Navy.

Martin Marietta and GE both will produce the Consolidated Automated Support Systems, or CASS, a self-contained diagnostic unit designed to test operational Navy electronic and avionic systems for optimum efficiency and reliability.

GE Automated Systems is CASS prime contractor and recently received Navy funding totaling $35.9 million, which it shared with Martin Marietta under the program's procurement guidelines.

Martin Marietta Technical Services, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Martin Marietta Corporation, was selected by GE in 1988 as the CASS second-source supplier and will manufacture the system at a new Americus, Ga., facility.

As a result of the GE funding, construction of the Americus facility will begin shortly and is scheduled for completion in seven months. CASS production at Americus will begin in 1991.

GE's full-scale engineering contract with the Navy includes three annual production options for a total of 327 CASS test sets. Martin Marietta expects to receive contracts valued at $175 million to produce 40 percent of the test sets.

Martin Marietta and GE will compete for CASS production beginning with the fourth option in 1993 and the Navy has indicated it plans to buy more than 775 test sets.

CONTACT: Doug McCurrach of Martin Marietta, (407) 356-2211.

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#90242p0059 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, IL (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The L.E. Myers Co. Group (NYSE: MYR) announced today that a judgment was entered on Aug. 28, 1990 in the Owensboro Municipal Utilities Commission (OMU) vs. LEMCO Engineers (LEMCO) and Lehigh Structural Steel Co. (Lehigh) lawsuit in Daviess Circuit Court, Kentucky.

The case arose out of a collapse in 1984 of transmission towers designed by LEMCO, a former subsidiary of Myers. The judgment awarded damages in favor of OMU of approximately $1,646,000 of which approximately $202,000 were assessed against Lehigh individually, $80,000 were assessed against LEMCO individually, and $1,364,000 were assessed jointly and severally against LEMCO and Lehigh.

Myers retained all of the rights and liabilities associated with this lawsuit, as well as a related lawsuit in U.S. District Court in New York regarding insurance coverage of LEMCO for its liability associated with the collapse of the towers, when it sold LEMCO in 1988. The federal court case has been stayed pending the outcome of the Kentucky case.

Myers is currently reviewing its options, including appealing the court's

decision, with its counsel. Myers and its counsel continue to be of the opinion that the outcome of these two related matters will not have a material effect on the company.

Myers specializes in overhead and underground outdoor electrical construction. This includes construction and maintenance of transmission lines, distribution systems, substations, outdoor lighting and signal control systems for public investor owned electric utilities, heavy industry, and government facilities.

CONTACT: Charles M. Brennan of L.E. Myers Co. Group, (708) 990-4666.

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#90242p0060 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAWRENCEVILLE, N.J. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - In an action aimed at assuring the timely completion of its drive for full business integration and maximum operating efficiency, First Fidelity Bancorporation (NYSE: FFB) has entered into an agreement with EDS (NYSE: GME) under which EDS will integrate and manage First Fidelity's data center operations, it was announced today.

Under the terms of the 10-year contract, EDS will also, within the next 18 months, convert the multibank holding company's numerous application systems into a unified companywide platform that will support common products across bank unit lines.

Additional elements of the agreement are: -- EDS will consolidate First Fidelity's data center operations at a single site and will manage that facility.

-- First Fidelity will continue to directly manage and control its application systems maintenance and development resources.

-- EDS will offer employment to all First Fidelity data center operations and technical staff.

Tony Terracciano, First Fidelity chairman and chief executive officer, said: "We have set an ambitious timetable in which to achieve total integration and consolidation of all of the company's product and service lines. Obviously that requires converting to common systems. EDS' extensive experience in managing data processing conversions and the availability of its very large pool of talented and seasoned computer and systems professionals to supplement our own excellent staff resources provide us a critical edge in achieving that objective in far less time than would have been possible by ourselves. EDS' experience in conversions of this type also will minimize the inherent risks of such a consolidation and conversion process."

First Fidelity said the computer application conversion and site consolidation project was part of a larger program in which, over the same 18-month period, the banking company will rationalize and consolidate all support and processing operations along service or product lines, eliminating historic bank unit geographic redundancies.

EDS, which is based in Dallas and has operations in 27 countries, is the leader in providing information technology services to customers around the world. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

First Fidelity Bancorporation, with $29.8 billion in assets and 500 offices in New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania, is among the 25 largest banking companies in the nation.

CONTACT: Paul Levine of First Fidelity, 201-565-2949

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#90242p0061 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - In support of American servicemen and servicewomen called to duty during the current Mideast crisis, Freddie Mac (NYSE: FRE) will assist its customers -- America's mortgage lenders -- in complying with The Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940.

"The Act is designed primarily to help GIs when their ability to meet debt obligations, such as mortgage payments, is impaired due to military service, by lowering their home mortgage rate to 6 percent during the period of active duty. Freddie Mac will absorb the difference between the Act's 6 percent and the borrower's current mortgage interest rate," said Henry Cassidy, senior vice president of credit policy.

Freddie Mac purchases mortgages from financial institutions and remits principal and interest to investors of securities backed by those mortgages.

Cassidy assured investors that Freddie Mac will fulfill all commitments on its securities outstanding, maintaining the inclusion of those affected mortgages in their respective security pools and continuing to pay them in full at the security rate. "We have agreed to make good on the difference between the 6 percent interest rate payments from affected military personnel and the amount investors will be paid. We have a unique opportunity to show our commitment to investors by honoring all guarantees of passthrough of principal and interest while supporting servicemen and women who are called to serve their country," he said.

The Act is expected to mainly impact reservists who have been called up for active duty and who have mortgages originated prior to active duty.

The difference between the mortgage interest rate and the 6 percent allowed by the Act is totally forgiven, not deferred, during the eligible period. The borrower must still pay all escrow fees, including taxes and insurance. Freddie Mac will also consider providing GIs additional relief on a case-by-case basis, such as specially tailored repayment plans that go beyond the interest reduction provisions.

"We intend to fully support servicemen and servicewomen by providing mortgage relief as soon as possible and if necessary, accommodating special circumstances of affected GIs," said Cassidy.

Further administrative details will be forthcoming to the corporation's Sellers and Services within the next week.

Freddie Mac is a stockholder-owned corporation chartered by Congress in 1970 to create a continuous flow of funds to mortgage lenders in support of home ownership and rental housing. By linking the capital markets with the mortgage markets, Freddie Mac brings the efficiencies and lower costs of the secondary mortgage market to the lender, the investor and the homebuyer. Over the years, Freddie Mac has helped finance one in eight American homes, including more than 700,000 apartment units.

CONTACT: Nancy Condon of Freddie Mac, 703-759-8506

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#90242p0064 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today announced that under the provisions of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act, the company will absorb forgiven interest income on mortgages it holds or guarantees for reservists called to duty in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Under that act, active reservists can have their mortgage interest rates reduced to 6 percent during their tour of duty. The difference between the reduced interest rate and the actual mortgage interest rate is forgiven and cannot be collected.

Fannie Mae's mortgage servicers and holders of mortgage-backed securities will not incur losses related to the interest rate reduction mandated by the Relief Act.

The company is distributing to its customers guidelines and additional information regarding streamlined procedures to make it easier to get forbearance relief under the act, as well as under Fannie Mae's normal servicing standards. The guidelines also state that Fannie Mae's normal forbearance plans are available to others affected by the Persian Gulf crisis.

Timothy Howard, Fannie Mae's executive vice president and chief financial officer, said the company could not estimate the effect on earnings of the relief provisions until the number of reservists to whom the act applies was determined, as well as the duration of their active service. He noted however, that any such effects were not expected to be material.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

CONTACT: Tom Marder of Fannie Mae, 202-752-7608

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#90242p0066 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Kinney Shoe Corporation took a giant step toward becoming a dominant force in the fast-growing insole market this week with the introduction of its Pro Care Insoles line.

The new insoles are made of Impac Plus, a revolutionary open-cell material with extraordinary cushioning power. The material is being supplied to Kinney's by Impac Plus Corporation of Durham, NC under a long-term agreement.

Kinney's new insole products are made for women's high heels, as well as dress, casual and work shoes. Kinney will also market a special line of Pro Care heel pads.

Pro Care Insoles will be available in 600 Kinney stores on September 1, with full penetration of the all 1,462 Kinney stores by October 15, Sills said.

The women's high heel insole market is a natural fit for Kinney's marketing muscle and Impac Plus's material, said Kinney marketing director Geoffrey Sills.

"With this new insole, you get the feel and comfort of an athletic shoe with the fashion style of heels," he said. "It's an ideal marriage of form and function."

Worldwide sales of insole products topped $100 million in 1989, a 25 percent increase over 1988, industry analysts report. 1990 sales are expected to grow to over $150 million.

CONTACT: Geoffrey Sills of Kinney Shoe Corporation, (212) 720-3791, or Joe Ravella of Impac Plus Corporation, 1-800-333-7680.

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#90242p0068 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Americanino Capital Corp. (OTC) announced today that its board of directors had extended the expiration date of its redeemable common stock purchase warrants to Sept. 7, 1991.

The warrants (presently exercisable at $12.80 per warrant) would have expired on Sept. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: Gabriel B. Thomas, 41-22-732-7606, or John L. Thomas, 215-440-7816, or Fred Harlow, 404-381-7940, all for Americanino Capital Corp.

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#90242p0070 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Tescorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: TESCC) today announced dates for its $0.125 quarterly cash dividend on the company's series 1990 convertible preferred stock.

The cash dividends are payable Oct. 11, 1990 to holders of record as of Sept. 14, 1990.

Tescorp is an oil service company engaged in the manufacture and sale of geophysical products and various oil and gas production products.

CONTACT: C. Rbert Bunch, president of Tescorp, 713-462-0867.

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#90242p0075 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. LOUIS (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The newly elected board of directors of Comprehensive Care Corporation (NYSE: CMP) met on Monday, Aug. 27, and elected James Carmany as president and chief executive officer of the company, it was announced today.

Carmany, who was an executive vice president of the company until April 1989, was also elected a director. W. James Nicol, the former president, will continue to serve the company as a director. The board also elected Donald G. Simpson, also a former officer of the company, executive vice president and chief operating officer.

The new board was elected Aug. 20 after a prolonged contest between the former management and a dissident group of stockholders and all of the directors, except Nicol, are new to the board. Norman L. Perry, the new chairman, praised Livingston Securities, Inc., financial advisor to the dissident group, for its counsel and assistance in the contest to oust the

former directors and elect the new board. Perry also expressed his appreciation for stockholder support of the new group and stated that Carmany is approaching the coming opportunities and challenges with a high level of enthusiasm in keeping with the new group's plans to rejuvenate the company.

Comprehensive Care Corporation, based in St. Louis, is a national provider of chemical dependency treatments, as well as physical rehabilitation programs through its wholly owned subsidiary, RehabCare Corporation.

CONTACT: James Carmany, president and CEO of Comprehensive Care, 714-851-2273

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#90242p0078 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WORCESTER, MASS. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Researchers at Alpha-Beta Technology, in collaboration with scientists at the University of Lowell, Mass., today presented striking initial preclinical results on the use of Fibercel(tm), a yeast-derived beta-glucan fiber, to lower cholesterol levels. Alpha-Beta is developing two products based on Fibercel: a cholesterol-lowering drug to reduce the risk of cardiovascular disease, and a food ingredient that could be used as a fat substitute. The study results were presented at the American Chemical Society National Meeting in Washington, D.C.

In one study, hamsters fed 5 percent Fibercel with a high fat diet had a significant 42 percent reduction in total cholesterol and a 69 percent reduction in low density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol, the form linked directly to risk of heart disease. At the same time, the amount of beneficial high density lipoprotein (HDL) cholesterol in those animals increased by 16 percent.

In contrast, animals fed 5 percent oat bran in addition to a high fat diet had 19 and 29 percent reductions in total cholesterol and LDL cholesterol, respectively. The addition of wheat bran to the diet had essentially no effect on cholesterol.

In the treatment period, none of the fibers replaced dietary saturated fat so that cholesterol-lowering effects could not be attributable to a reduction in fat intake. One group of hamsters that received no added fiber served as a control.

"These studies highlight the superior cholesterol-lowering properties of Fibercel(tm)," said Spiros Jamas, Sc.D., president and chairman of Alpha-Beta. "We believe this novel product shows great promise as a cholesterol-lowering drug that combines the safety of a dietary fiber with the effectiveness of potent systemic drugs now available.

In addition, Fibercel is more palatable and easier to formulate than existing fibers and cholesterol-lowering resins such as oat bran, psyllium and cholestyramine."

Alpha-Beta Technology, Inc. is developing patentable carbohydrate- based products for the health care industry through the application of carbohydrate engineering. The company's major products in development include Fibercel, a cholesterol-lowering agent and fat substitute, Betafectin(tm) for the treatment of hospital infections, and Adjuvax(tm), a novel vaccine adjuvant and delivery vehicle. Alpha- Beta's headquarters, laboratory and pilot production facilities are located in Worcester, Mass.

CONTACT: Spiros Jamas, Sc.D., president of Alpha-Beta Technology, Inc., 508-798-6900; or Robert Gottlieb, vice president of Peter Feinstein, Inc., for Alpha-Beta Technology, Inc., 617-577-8110

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#90242p0081 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, NJ (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Mutual Benefit Life, the nation's 18th largest life insurance company, announced today that it would waive premiums needed to keep existing life insurance in force for individual policyowner who are United States military reservists called to active duty.

The waiver of up to two policy years or until deactivation would affect all policyowner reservists whose policies were in force prior to Aug. 1, 1990. The company also said its individual life insurance policies issued since the Vietnam era do not contain a war exclusion clause which voids coverage if a loss of life is war-related.

Responding to the call-up following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and the establishment of a U.S. force in Saudi Arabia, Henry E. Kates, president and chief executive officer, said "While we are not certain of the number of policyowners who qualify for this waiver, we know that being able to meet financial obligations while on active duty may be a concern for some reservists. It's certainly in keeping with Mutual Benefit's traditions to extend this waiver to any affected policyowner who has that concern."

Mutual Benefit Life, founded in 1845, is represented by the symbol of the pelican. The pelican logo, modeled after the family crest of the company's first president, represents self-sacrifice and caring for others.

The company said that, with some exceptions, it will be paying employees called to active duty the difference between military pay and their regular salaries for up to one year or until deactivation, whichever comes first.

Mutual Benefit Life is based in Newark, N.J., with offices in Kansas City, Mo. and Providence, R.I. The company is rated A+ by A.M. Best Company and holds a AA+ rating from Standard & Poor's.

With over $12 billion in assets, the Mutual Benefit Companies offer a full line of financial products and services to individuals, affiliated groups and businesses, ranging from individual life insurance and tax-advantaged investment opportunities to corporate pension plans, group life and health coverage, and asset management services.

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#90242p0082 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - At a forum on business-education cooperation today at NCNB National Bank in Tampa, Fla., school districts were invited to compete in two unique programs designed to improve education.

Dr. Alton Crews of the Southern Regional Education Board and R. Eugene Taylor, president of NCNB Florida, announced the application process for two new NCNB/SREB programs -- the Leadership Academy and the $75,000 A-Plus Excellence in Education Awards.

The Leadership Academy, directed by Dr. Crews, will provide an intensive training program for school management teams from across the South. All school districts in the SREB's 15-state region have been invited to submit proposals for participation in the Leadership Academy.

Selected school districts will receive an A-Plus Excellence in Education Award from NCNB to help them meet the goals included in their proposal.

The forum discussions focused on the challenges facing public schools today and how business and education can cooperate to produce a well-prepared work force for the 1990s and the next century.

"For every local school district, state agency, professional group and business represented here, there is a different dream for education in Florida and across the South," Taylor told the audience.

"The strategies to achieve those dreams may differ. But one thing is certain. Given the magnitude of our challenge, success will require all of our collective efforts and abilities."

Leading the discussion, which was open to audience participation, was a panel made up of:

Florida Education Commissioner Betty Castor; State Sen. Bob Johnson; State Rep. Michael Friedman; Dorothy Ridings, publisher and president of the Bradenton Herald; Bob Alligood, vice chairman of the Council of 100; Dr. Crews and Taylor.

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#90242p0086 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BERKELEY HEIGHTS, NJ (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Customedix Corporation (AMEX: CUS), a dental and medical products company, has announced fourth quarter and year end results for its 1990 fiscal year, Revenues for the fourth quarter were $12,705,200, down from last year's record fourth quarter of $13,465,100. This decrease was primarily attributable to a reduction in export sales.

The company reported a loss from continuing operations, before unusual items and taxes of $681,700 for the fourth quarter of 1990 versus a profit of $571,700 in the prior year's fourth quarter. The 1990 quarter included $420,000 in nonrecurring charges. These charges included a goodwill writedown, a settlement on a liability of a former subsidiary, a pension plan termination and relocation expenses. In addition to these nonrecurring charges, there was a $170,000 increase in the 1990 quarter in amortization due to management's revaluation of the estimated expected life of a subsidiary's royalty income stream,

A net loss of $2,726,800, or 8 cents per share, was recorded for the quarter versus net income of $430,800 or 1 cent per share for last year's fourth quarter. In addition to the nonrecurring items included in continuing operations mentioned above, the net loss for the quarter is due primarily to the following nonrecurring unusual items: (1) a provision for losses on notes receivable of $1,542,400; and (2) the loss on the sale of the net assets of the company's former subsidiary, Sales and Marketing Services, Inc. of $540,100. These items had no negative effect on the company's cash flow.

For the fiscal year, total revenues increased to a record $52,099,400 from last year's $51,913,800. The company recorded a net loss for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 of $1,917,200, or 6 cents per share, which is entirely attributable to the aforementioned fourth quarter writedowns and adjustments. Continuing operations were profitable in 1990. "Because no new significant unusual writedowns or adjustments are currently anticipated, the company should return to profitability in fiscal 1991 if

no major adverse changes in the economy occur," said Dr. Gordon Cohen, chairman and chief executive officer.

For fiscal year 1990, the company's long term debt was reduced to $12,170,000 from 1989's $14,078,200. Current maturities of long term debt also were reduced to $948,000 in 1990 from $1,119,200 in 1989. Over the course of the year, bank debt was reduced by approximately $682,000 and prepayment of $551,650 was made on the company's senior subordinated debentures due 1990 and $100,000 of its 15 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 1997. Additionally, $167,000 of notes issued in connection with the acquisition of Jeneric Industries, Inc. (now Jeneric/Pentron, Inc.) were repaid and the company made all its regular payments on obligations associated with equipment and leases.

The company's focus on improving cash flow and strengthening the balance sheet is reflected by an increase in the company's current ratio from 2.46 to 3.33 at June 30, 1989 and 1990, respectively.

For fiscal year 1991, Customedix anticipates the introduction of several major products by its largest subsidiary, Jeneric/Pentron, Inc. The successful introduction of these new products together with efforts to increase sales of existing products and efficiency in both the medical and dental subsidiaries will be a primary focus of management. Through these efforts, management plans to continue its policy of increasing profitability and cash flow while reducing debt.

CONTACT: Gordon S. Cohen, chairman and chief executive officer, or Barry Kosowski, assistant treasurer, 203-265-7397, or Andrew A. Miller, chief financial officer, 201-464-2214, all of Customedix

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#90242p0089 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, CO (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - NBI Inc. (NYSE: NBI) announced today that it is now shipping Legacy, its comprehensive word processing, page layout and graphics package designed exclusively for Microsoft(R) Windows 3.0.

Legacy is designed for users who need to create professional quality documents containing text, graphics and data. Compared with other advanced word processors, Legacy makes it easier and faster to produce these documents because of its depth of desktop publishing functionality, ease of use and reliable underlying architecture.

"Legacy has undergone extensive beta testing and has been well received by the corporations who have participated in this program," stated Stephen Jerritts, president and CEO of NBI. "We are confident that the product offers a powerful word processing solution and significant value to the

word processing user."

Besides fulfilling every standard WYSIWYG word processing requirement, Legacy provides some of the strongest page layout and typographical capabilities in the word processing market. Users benefit with the ability to create high-impact documents quickly and easily. In addition, Legacy's interactive on-line tutorials and intuitive user interface help the user learn the product quickly.

In conjunction with this release, NBI is also announcing two new products to provide upgrade paths to its wide base of system customers. LEO(TM) is a PC software package that allows users to easily convert NBI OASys word processing files to Legacy and use the OASys server to store the converted files. A second product, the OASys Archive Assistant, provides document management in the form of offline archiving and retrieval.

Legacy is available through authorized NBI dealers or direct from NBI at a suggested retail price of $495. It requires Microsoft Windows 3.0 and MS-DOS 3.2 or higher; an IBM AT or compatible (80286 or 80386 CPU) or IBM PS/2; 640K RAM (2 MB recommended); EGA, VGA or other Windows-compatible display; and a Windows-compatible mouse. For more information, users can call 800-NBI-1111.

Based in Boulder, NBI designs and markets advanced word processing software packages. A leader in the word processing industry for more than a decade, NBI also provides customer service and support to a wide base of system users in domestic and international locations.

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#90242p0092 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Jones Medical Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: JMED) today announced a 25-percent increase in the company's regular quarterly dividend to $.025 per share beginning with the next dividend, payable Oct. 5, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 26, 1990.

Jones Medical has paid seven consecutive dividends of $.02 per share since beginning its dividend program in the fourth quarter of 1988.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Dennis M. Jones stated, "In view of the company's 84-percent increase in net income for the trailing 12 months ended June 30, 1990, the board members felt it was an appropriate time to increase the dividend. Net income during the period rose to $2.13 million from $1.16 million as our sales force increased its penetration

into the hospital market."

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#90242p0095 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Visiting Nurse Services Corporation, a subsidiary of Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan, has opened a new proprietary business called Case Management Specialists.

Based in Southfield, Mich., Case Management Specialists expects to help insurance companies improve quality while reducing costs associated with clients who have complex health-care needs.

"A person with cancer, for example, may be under the care of several different physicians," said Patricia Kupiec, director of Case Management Specialists. "Case management facilitates the communication process between everyone involved -- the patient, doctors, insurance company and other health-care providers.

"If the patient needs a blood test, case management assures that the results are sent to all the physicians involved without duplication of the test or billing," she said.

Case managers, who are registered nurses, meet face to face to assess the clients' condition and coordinate treatment plans.

People who will benefit from this new service include patients suffering from severe burns, spinal cord injuries, transplants, and other high-risk disorders.

Case Management Specialists serves Southeast Michigan from its office at 29540 Southfield Road, Suite 202. The telephone number is 313-552-0070 or 800-722-5169.

Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan is the state's largest non-profit home health organization. Its subsidiaries include Visiting Nurse Home Health Services, Visiting Nurse Home Support Services and Visiting Nurse Services Corporation.

Besides services provided by Case Management Specialists, Visiting Nurse Services Corporation also offers medical equipment and supplies through VNA Medical Equipment Company.

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Michigan, 313-876-8542

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#90242p0096 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Harman International Industries, Incorporated (NYSE: HAR) today announced its results for the fourth quarter and the year ended June 30, 1990.

In the fourth quarter, sales were $151 million, an increase of $15.3 million or 11 percent over sales in the comparable quarter last year. Net income was $2.4 million, 36 percent below that of the prior year. Earnings per share decreased 17 cents, from 44 cents to 27 cents.

For the full fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, sales were $556.7 million, up 6 percent from prior year sales of $524.2 million. Net income was $14.1 million, down $1.3 million, or 9 percent. Earnings per share were $1.61, down 10 percent from prior year earnings per share of $1.78.

Commenting on the results, Dr. Sidney Harman, chairman and chief executive officer, said: "Fiscal 1989 had been an excellent year -- a record year -- but 1990 was adversely affected by the sharp fall in automobile sales and the soft consumer durables market in the United States.

"Despite the difficult market environment, we achieved earnings which approached 1989 levels. In fact, many good and promising things occurred in fiscal 1990. We addressed each operating problem vigorously and productively. Talented senior management has been appointed at Audax, JBL and for the newly formed Consumer Electronics Group. Numbers of our companies including JBL, Harman Motive, Pyle and Harman Manufacturing had truly splendid years."

Harman also announced the appointment of two new members of the board of directors. Edward H. Meyer, chairman of the board and president of Grey Advertising, Inc., was appointed to fill the vacancy created on the board of directors by the resignation of G. William Miller. Meyer's term as a director expires at the 1991 annual meeting of stockholders. Jane Harman an attorney with the firm of Jones, Day, Reavis and Pogue and the wife of Sidney Harman, was also appointed to serve as a member of the board of directors to fill a vacancy on the board that had existed since 1987. Mrs. Harman's term as a director expires at the 1992 annual meeting of stockholders.

Harman International Industries, Incorporated is a leading manufacturer and worldwide marketer of high-quality, high-fidelity audio and video products for consumer home and automotive, professional and original equipment manufacturer (OEM) markets.

CONTACT: Bernard A. Girod, executive vice president and CFO, Harman International Industries, 202-393-1101

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#90242p0097 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Frito-Lay, the nation's leading manufacturer of snack foods, will donate more than $4,000 worth of snack chips to the American Red Cross to aid victims of Tuesday's tornado disaster in northern Illinois.

More than 50,000 single-serving bags of Frito-Lay chips will be delivered by Frito-Lay to the American Red Cross. Volunteers from Frito-Lay's salesforce will drive the products to the Joliet area.

CONTACT: Tom Raleigh of Frito-Lay, 708-620-5855.

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#90242p0098 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRENTWOOD, NY (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Allou Health & Beauty Care, Inc. (AMEX: ALU), a premier distributor of health and beauty aids on the Atlantic Seaboard, "is expanding rapidly into the distribution of selective food products to its current customers, and expects sharp increases in sales and earnings in the current fiscal year," the company told shareholders at the annual meeting today. "Health and beauty aid retailers are now adding non-perishable, rapidly moving food and beverage items to their store shelves, creating an opportunity for Allou to be an even more significant supplier and opening a large new and profitable marketplace for us utilizing our existing base of 3,500 customers," the company said.

For the first quarter ended June 30, 1990 sales rose 11 percent to a record $19,988,855 from $17,947,256. Earnings were a record $268,738, or $.10 per share, up 14 percent from $235,437, or $.09 per share the year before.

For the fiscal year ended Mar. 31, 1990 sales rose more than 20 percent to a record $71 million from $59 million. Earnings were a record $861,000, or $.40 per share, versus $809,000, or $.37 per share, restated to reflect shares issued in the company's initial public offering in 1989.

Shareholders attending the annual meeting, or voting by proxy, elected four new directors and re-elected three others. Newly elected to the board of directors are: Mark Felman, Allou's director of Purchasing; Donald Kirsch, chairman of The Wall Street Group, Inc., an international financial services firm; David Shamilzadeh, Allou's Controller; and Melvin Ungar, president of Litigation Corporation of America. Re-elected were:

Victor Jacobs, chairman of the board and chief executive officer; Herman Jacobs, president; and Ramon Montes, vice president/operations and sales. Frank Cohen, an attorney with Cohen & Cohen; and Monte Wolfson, president of Monte Wolfson Associates, Inc. resigned from the board for personal reasons. The board is now made up of seven directors compared to five last year.

The company also approved an amendment to authorize a class of preferred stock.

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#90242p0099 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Lancaster Colony Corporation (NASDAQ: LANC) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 19 cents per share payable Sept. 29, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 10, 1990.

John B. Gerlach, president of Lancaster Colony, pointed out that the board action continuing the dividend at 19 cents brings the indicated annual payout to 76 cents per share for the current fiscal year, up from 75 cents per share in the previous fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

He said the directors also authorized the repurchase of up to 200,000 shares of Lancaster Colony common stock in the open market or in private transactions.

Lancaster Colony has paid consecutive quarterly cash dividends since September, 1963, and has increased the cash dividend every year for more than 25 years.

CONTACT: John B. Gerlach, president of Lancaster Colony Corporation, (614) 224-7141; or Investor Relations Consultants, Inc., (813) 796-1452.

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#90242p0102 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BASKING RIDGE (N.J.) PR NEWSWIRE - Eighteen AT&T Bell Laboratories researchers will move from corporation to campus this fall to participate in AT&T's Visiting Professors program, part of the company's overall commitment to meeting the special needs of minority students.

As Visiting Professors, AT&T Bell Labs members of technical staff are assigned to temporary faculty positions at the nation's Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). In the 1990-91 academic year,

thirteen colleges will participate in the program.

Since the program's start in 1972, 125 AT&T researchers have shared their expertise with hundreds of mostly black and Hispanic students. The HBCUs produce about 35 percent of the black engineers in the U.S., and 13 percent of AT&T Bell Labs' new technical hires each year are graduates of these schools.

AT&T's Visiting Professors must meet specific educational and work experience criteria, as well as demonstrate keen interest in teaching and an ability to motivate others. Sensitivity to the needs of minority students is equally important.

In addition to teaching lecture and lab courses in subjects ranging from computer science to electrical engineering, AT&T Visiting Professors also participate in curriculum development and career counseling.

"The Visiting Professors program highlights AT&T's commitment to historically black schools and minority students in a very direct way," said Mario Jarvis, university relations and special program manager, AT&T Bell Laboratories. "It's a win-win situation for everyone. The students and schools gain access to some of the world's top talent in information technology. Our Visiting Professors are personally enriched through a rewarding teaching experience. And AT&T wins by helping increase the pool of minority engineers and computer scientists. Right now, science and engineering are extremely under-represented career choices for minorities. AT&T has an important stake in changing that."

In addition to underwriting salary and living expenses of the Visiting Professors, AT&T also provides technical grants and equipment donations to the Historically Black Colleges and Universities. In 1989, the AT&T Foundation approved three-year grants totaling $1.5 million to support engineering or computer science programs at ten of the schools.

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#90242p0104 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANATA, ONTARIO (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Newbridge Networks announced today that a contract has been signed with Northwest Electric Power Administration of China for the provision of an integrated voice and data digital backbone network.

Of the six power authorities in China, Northwest Electric Power Administration is the largest in geographic area covering five provinces: Shaanxi, Quinghai, Gansu, Ningxia and Xinjiang. Upon completion the

network will consist of more than 70 nodes based on the 3630 MainStreet Drop/Insert Primary Rate Multiplexer.

"We are extremely pleased to have been selected by Northwest Electric Power," commented Mike Pascoe, general manager of the Asian Business Region at Newbridge. "This marks a major expansion into the People's Republic of China."

Newbridge Networks is an international company which specializes in the design, manufacture and marketing of voice and data communications equipment for global networks. Offices and manufacturing facilities are located in Canada, the United States and Europe.

Newbridge Networks Corporation is a public company whose common shares are listed for trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange (NNC) in Canada and quoted for trading on the NASDAQ National Market System (NNCXF) in the United States.

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#90242p0106 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, N.J. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Cytogen Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTO) has announced the issuance of a U.S. patent on the preparation and use of diagnostic and therapeutic conjugates containing antibody fragments.

U.S. Patents No. 4,937,183, titled "Method for the Preparation of Antibody -- Fragment Conjugates" covers a new method for preparing antibody fragment conjugates which have superior characteristics for the targeted delivery of compounds in the diagnosis and treatment of disease when administered in vivo.

In addition to process claims, the resultant antibody fragment conjugates are also protected by the patent. These novel antibody fragment conjugates differ from other antibody fragment preparations in that the diagnostic or therapeutic component is attached to the carbohydrate region of the antibody fragment which is distant from the targeting region of the molecule. This attachment does not impair the ability of the antibody conjugate to target disease sites and thereby optimizes their use as delivery vehicles.

"The issuance of this patent provides Cytogen with additional protection for its proprietary lower molecular weight conjugates," said Cytogen Corp.'s Executive Vice President, Thomas J. McKearn, M.D., Ph.D. He continued, "Such conjugates may prove to be useful for cancer and cardiovascular disease in selected therapeutic and diagnostic imaging settings."

Cytogen Corp. is a biopharmaceutical company which has developed proprietary systems for linking drugs and diagnostic agents to monoclonal antibodies in order to optimize the function of the antibody as a delivery vehicle. With major emphasis on human cancer, current product development efforts at Cytogen are focused on improved cancer diagnostic imaging agents and the targeted delivery of cancer therapeutic agents directly to tumor sites.

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#90242p0107 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, NJ (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Cytogen Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTO) has announced the issuance of a U.S. patent on the preparation and use of diagnostic and therapeutic conjugates containing antibody fragments.

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#90242p0109 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
WALL, NJ (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - New Jersey Natural Gas Company today joined scores of utilities and pipeline companies in the first industry-wide, formal policy commitment to improve education.

The industry-wide effort, called "Education 2000," was announced today in Washington by the American Gas Association (A.G.A.), the national trade association representing more than 200 natural gas utilities, pipeline, and related companies. The Education 2000 initiative commits A.G.A. "to a decade of active support of the new national effort to reform America's educational system."

New Jersey Natural Gas has long been involved in education initiatives and business/education partnerships. The company's most ambitious effort, called Project Venture, provides professionals from several corporate disciplines ranging from accounting to engineering, to work with 5th-grade students in the Asbury Park school system.

Project Venture employee volunteers conduct weekly classroom presentations, one-on-one tutoring or mentoring sessions with students. Project Venture builds relationships between students and working professionals, and demonstrates the relevance of basic skills to the modern work place.

Project Venture is coordinated with the Asbury Park school district administrators and teachers, and is about to begin its second full year of activities.

Although Project Venture has been the utility's most ambitious partnership to date, it is only the latest in a series of business/education efforts in recent years.

The utility conducts career days in many high schools, actively participates in several state education councils, provides energy-related materials to schools at no cost, and frequently provides tours of utility facilities to interested school groups.

In addition, New Jersey Natural sponsors scholarship programs to encourage students from the company's service area to attend area colleges. These scholarship programs are coordinated with Brookdale Community College, Ocean County College, the County College of Morris, Monmouth College and Georgian Court College.

Beyond the scholarship stipend, scholarship winners are offered summer

employment at New Jersey Natural Gas. A new scholarship awarded for the first time this year will support a nursing student's expenses at Brookdale and through a four-year nursing degree in conjunction with Riverview Medical Center, Red Bank.

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#90242p0111 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Schlegel Maryland Inc. has earned the General Motors Mark of Excellence award, the highest honor that General Motors (NYSE: GM) bestows on its suppliers.

Wally Gordon, Schlegel Maryland Inc.'s plant manager, will accept the award at a ceremony today in the Chestertown Industrial Park, where the company manufactures the automotive weather seals used by General Motors on its Corsica and Beretta cars.

Maryland Department of Economic and Employment Development (DEED) official James Peiffer presented Gordon with a citation from Gov. William Donald Schaefer in recognition of the Maryland company's achievement.

"Schlegel Maryland Inc. is to be congratulated on its consistently high standards and dedication to quality," said Peiffer. "They are a model for all small Maryland manufacturers in their use of technology to control the quality of the product," he said, a reference to the company's computerized statistical process control system designed to ensure that the product consistently meets or exceeds specifications. Peiffer noted that Gordon is a member of the recently formed Eastern Shore Regional High Technology Council's planning committee.

"Very few General Motors suppliers have earned the Mark of Excellence, and we are proud that a Maryland company is one of them," said Gordon. Gordon said that of the approximately 2,500 suppliers evaluated by General Motors, only 4 to 5 percent qualified for the award. Companies were required to earn top scores in five categories in order to earn the award. The assessment covered supplier performance, systems and processes for continuous improvement in quality, delivery, cost, technology and management. Schlegel Maryland Inc. received "outstanding" marks in each category.

Schlegel Maryland's manufacturing plant employs approximately 70 people, working a two-shift operation. The plant supplies finished extruded rubber weatherstripping components to General Motors' Wilmington and Linden assembly plants.

In addition to the Schlegel Maryland "Mark of Excellence" award, Schlegel's West Unity, Ohio, and Maryville, Tenn., locations have also qualified for the "Mark of Excellence."

Representing General Motors at the ceremony were Pat McCormick, director of material management for the company's Cadillac Division; Dennis Hughey Sr., the division's assessment/development engineer; and Cynthia Tonne, buyer for General Motors' Lansing Automotive Division. Steve Barton, director of operations for Schlegel Tennessee and Roberto Quartra, group chief executive of the BTR Sealing Systems Group, were speakers. BTR purchased Schlegel Corp. in 1989.

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#90242p0113 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - G. Thomas Wilkinson has been named president of Ashland Exploration, Inc. and vice president of Ashland Oil, Inc. (NYSE: ASH), Ashland Exploration's parent company, according to John R. Hall, chairman and chief executive officer of Ashland Oil, Inc.

The appointment is effective Oct. 1, and Wilkinson will be responsible for the operation of Ashland Exploration, a subsidiary of Ashland Oil. He reports to James R. Boyd, senior vice president and group operating officer of Ashland Oil, Inc.

An employee since 1988, Wilkinson previously was executive vice president. Before his employment with Ashland Exploration, he held various positions with AMOCO, ARCO and was president of Seagull Energy E&P Inc.

A native of St. Louis, Wilkinson holds a bachelor's degree in geophysical engineering from St. Louis University.

"Ashland Exploration is a growing part of Ashland Oil's energy business," Boyd said. "Tom will continue to lead us in the development of our three key segments, Appalachian gas development, Gulf Coast exploration and Nigerian oil production, which are areas of continued, aggressive growth and expansion for Ashland Exploration."

With its headquarters in Houston, Ashland Exploration is engaged in oil and gas exploration and production both onshore and offshore in the United States and in Nigeria.

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#90242p0115 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
MALVERN, PA (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Acme Markets Inc. today announced a major educational program that offers the opportunity for all schools in Acme's marketing area to receive free IBM PS/2 computers, printers, software, and Funk and Wagnall's 1990 Encyclopedias.

Edwin Spragg, vice president of sales, stated, "Acme recognizes the need for a partnership between the private business sector and our schools to help provide today's much needed quality education. The Acme 'Free IBM Computers for Your School' program gives us the opportunity to make a significant contribution to the communities that have supported us. I can think of no better investment than the education of our young people."

Joining with Acme in the program are the following companies: Scott Paper, Campbell's, and TastyKake. Beginning Sept. 2, 1990, through Feb. 5, 1991, schools can earn free products by saving any combination of

- Acme gold colored register receipts (dated Sept. 2, 1990 through Feb. 5, 1991).
- Scott Paper products - save the "Learning Tools for Schools" seals (purchased at Acme).
- Campbell's products - labels from any Campbell's products (purchased at Acme).
- TastyKake Family Pack - save the UPC barcode from each family pack (purchased at Acme).

Before becoming eligible to participate in the program schools must first register with Acme. Schools can obtain registration material by contacting any local Acme supermarket or Program Coordinator Barbara Tuttle at (215) 889-4000. All schools which register before Sept. 15 will receive 20,000 free points toward the purchase of their first free computer or encyclopedia set.

It is estimated that Acme will award more than $6 million worth of free IBM computer equipment, and software to the schools in its marketing area. Acme Markets Inc. operates 276 stores in five states and has more than 25,000 employees.

CONTACT: Walter Rubel of Acme Markets, (215) 889-4354.

-30- 2149
#90242p0118 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
LINCOLNWOOD, IL (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Allercare, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALLR) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Allercare/NSL, Inc. entered into an asset purchase agreement to sell its condom business to Schmid Laboratories, Inc. of Little Falls, N.J., for $4 million cash.

Included in the sale was inventory and manufacturing equipment valued at approximately $1 million together with applicable trademarks, tradenames and customer lists. The transaction is expected to close Sept. 17, 1990.

As a result of the sale Allercare expects to significantly reduce levels of employment, consolidate facilities and reduce overhead. The transaction will provide additional liquidity for continuing operations and for future acquisitions.

Allercare's other products unaffected by the sale include "LaSalle-10" nail care treatment products, "Allerderm" hypoallergenic baby products and "Country Cream," a country decorator product line.

CONTACT: Steven Elliot of Allercare, (708) 982-1700, or Barry S. Kaplan of Barry Kaplan Associates, (908) 747-0702, for Allercare.

-30- 1266

#90242p0129 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Sonat Inc. (NYSE: SNT) and its subsidiary, Southern Natural Gas Company, today announced their active participation in "Education 2000: The Natural Gas Industry's Campaign for Educational Excellence."

William E. Matthews IV, chairman of Southern Natural Gas, will serve on the American Gas Association (A.G.A.) task force charged with identifying productive new applications to further educational improvement. A.G.A. made the announcement today at a Washington, D.C., press conference.

The effort is a 10-year commitment to help the nation's schools attain educational excellence and to support the education goals of the Bush administration and the National Governors Association. The A.G.A. program will build on the natural gas industry's traditional educational activities by calling for renewed efforts in local and state programs that further educational improvement.

"Sonat and Southern Natural Gas are uniquely positioned to participate in the initiative," said Matthews. "Our natural gas pipelines and facilities extend across eight Southeastern states, and other Sonat facilities are located in the West and New England. At each of these facilities are Sonat people who are committed to enhancing the quality of life in their communities.

"Students who today are in elementary schools, high schools, colleges and universities are our potential work force. And they are also our customers of the future. Sonat is sincerely committed to assisting these students in achieving and even surpassing their life's goals. It is our

hope that participation in this A.G.A. initiative will help us continue our pursuit of this mission," Matthews said.

"Here in Birmingham, our headquarters city, and in Alabama, our employees are involved in programs particularly devoted to enhancing the quality of education and to serving youth at risk. Sonat employees take time off from work to help students in elementary grades grasp the fundamentals of education. Our employees volunteer more than 50,000 hours each year -- many of those hours company-allowed time -- to this, other educational efforts, and youth-at-risk programs. Also, the Sonat Foundation provides about $1 million annually in funding for educational programs in its areas of operation," he said.

Sonat is a worldwide energy company involved in natural gas transmission and marketing, oil and gas exploration and production, and oil services.

CONTACT: Kay Kilpatrick of Sonat, 205-325-7686

-30- 2728

#90242p0133 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, N.C. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Southeastern Machine & Tool Co., which in 21 years has grown to become one of the country's largest suppliers of sheet metal products, broke ground Thursday for a 166,000-square-foot headquarters and manufacturing facility.

Jerry Richmond, who founded SMT in his garage in 1969 and now counts many Fortune 500 companies among his clients, said the new facility, which will be developed by Spectrum Properties, will allow the company to consolidate its 300 employees and three existing Raleigh facilities under one roof. Several new production systems will also increase capacity, productivity and efficiency, Richmond said.

The new plant, to be located on ACC Boulevard just off U.S. 70 near the Airport exit, is scheduled to be operational in January 1991. Ellinwood Design Associates, Ltd., of Raleigh is the design consultant for the owner. Clancy & Theys of Raleigh is the general contractor, and Design Development of Raleigh is the architectural firm. Co-developer with Spectrum is Jerry Dickens and the Eastland Development Group Inc., of Raleigh.

Among the new technologies to be employed in the plant is a water-based powder paint system, which is more environmentally sound than solvent-based paint systems. The company is also investing in computer-aided design and computer-aided manufacturing equipment.

"The new facility will be state-of-the-art and allow us to continue to meet the demand of our current customers while increasing our overall

productivity," said Richmond.

The location is also a strategic one, said Ford Gibson, director of development for Spectrum.

"The 12-acre site is very close to where the Durham connector and the Raleigh outer loop will meet, and the facility will have excellent exposure to the outer loop," said Gibson. "The location is ideal, considering many of SMT's clients are located in the Research Triangle Park."

Charlotte-based Spectrum Properties, ranked by Business North Carolina magazine as North Carolina's third largest developer of industrial space last year, has been very active in the Raleigh area since 1983. It has developed projects totaling approximately 900,000 square feet. Among their Raleigh-area projects are the Northchase Executive Center, the UCB Plaza and Northern Telecom's 100,000-square-foot training center.

CONTACT: Dan Lohwasser of Muhleman Marketing, Inc., 704-568-2520, for Spectrum Properties

-30- 2663

#90242p0135 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTGOMERY, AL (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Blount Inc. (AMEX: BLT.A) today declared a regular quarterly dividend on its Class A common stock of 11-1/4 cents ($0.1125) per share and a regular quarterly dividend on its Class B common stock of 10 cents ($0.10) per share.

Both dividends are payable Oct. 1 to shareholders of record at the close of business Sept. 14.

The dividend on the Class A common stock reflects the 1-1/4 cents per share additional dividend that the Class A shareholders are entitled to over the per-share dividend paid on the Class B common stock.

Blount is an international manufacturing and construction company headquartered in Montgomery.

CONTACT: Dave Rickey of Blount, 205-244-4369

-30- 896

#90242p0137 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

TACOMA, WA (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Weyerhaeuser Information Systems (WIS) announced today it recently marked the completion of a two-year project with the Washington State Office of the Administrator for the Courts (OAC).

The project included the design and implementation of the state-wide District and Municipal Court Information System (DISCIS). To date, there have been three successful installations of the new DISCIS system in the Seattle District Court, the Spokane District Court and the Spokane Municipal Court.

Members of the OAC; judges from various district and municipal courts, the Washington State Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals; and representatives from WIS recently attended a reception in Seattle. The purpose was to celebrate an outstanding example of government and private industry working together to achieve a common goal.

Says Mary McQueen, Washington State Court administrator, "WIS showed a real desire to help us complete this project successfully. We really felt we had more of a partnership relationship with them instead of the usual customer/supplier relationship."

The event was highlighted by the Honorable Chief Justice Keith M. Callow of the Washington State Supreme Court, and Susan Mersereau, vice president and general manager of WIS, signing the Provisional Acceptance Agreement of the DISCIS system.

The new system provides information about cases in other courts that could assist the judge or court personnel in handling the case or obtaining fines. The new system combines revenue tracking, traffic, parking case calendaring and case management functions.

Within two years, 39 district and municipal courts will be on this system state-wide. Since these courts handle approximately 62 percent of all court cases in Washington, the benefits to the courts are tremendous in terms of system responsiveness, data accessibilty and system dependability.

All courts with access to the system can view previous case histories and decrease the time they have to wait for the information. Says Cathy Grindle, Seattle District Court administrator, "With the old system, it was possible for a person to have previous tickets or arrests in another jurisdiction without our knowledge. The new system allows us to call up past histories on several different identification codes."

On Sept. 5, at 2 p.m., the Washington OAC and Weyerhaeuser Information Systems will hold a joint press preview at the Pierce County District Court and the Seattle District Court. The preview will announce the successful implementation of the new DISCIS system and mark the inclusion of its newest users, Pierce County District Court and Tacoma Municipal Court. Demonstrations will be conducted to show how quickly and easily information can be accessed state-wide.

CONTACT: Marjorie Millay of Weyerhaeuser Information System, (206)

924-4200, or 1-800-654-9347.

-30- 3122

#90242p0143 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - W. R. Berkley Corporation (NASDAQ: BKLY), an insurance holding company, today announced that Gordon A. Ennis was elected to the position of senior vice president- insurance services effective Sept. 1, 1990. Ennis, 43, is currently president of Firemen's Insurance Company of Washington, D.C., a Berkley subsidiary. He succeeds Barry J. Gilway, who resigned in July 1990 to become president of the commercial division of the Maryland Casualty Insurance Company, an affiliate of the Zurich Group.

Ennis will be responsible for all of the Berkley operating companies in its Insurance Services Group. These include Employee Benefit Administration Company (Minneapolis), Rasmussen Agency, Inc. (East Orange, N.J.), North Star Risk Services, Inc. (Minneapolis), Disability Income Specialists, Inc. (Denver, Colo.), Public Risk Managers, Inc. (Brentwood, Tenn.), Southwest Risk Services, Inc. (Phoenix, Ariz.) and All American Agency Facilities, Inc. (Jacksonville, Fla.).

Ennis will continue as president of Firemen's until approximately October, when he will relocate to Berkley's corporate headquarters in Greenwich, Conn. Louis A. Golinvaux, who has been serving as interim head of the Insurance Services Group, will then resume his duties as chief executive officer of North Star Risk Services, Inc., another member of the Berkley Group. He will work with Ennis in the continued expansion of the Insurance Services segment of Berkley's business.

Ennis received his B.S. from St. Joseph's University, Philadelphia, in 1968 and earned his CPCU designation in 1984. Prior to joining the Berkley Group in 1989, Ennis was president and CEO of Rockwood Holding Company (1988-1989) and president and CEO of Merchants and Business Men's Mutual Insurance Company of Harrisburg, Pa. (1985-1988). From 1969 to 1985 he held a variety of positions in the Allstate Insurance Group.

W. R. Berkley Corporation is a holding company whose subsidiaries operate in three major segments of the insurance business: regional property casualty insurance; specialty lines of insurance (including excess and surplus lines, commercial transportation and reinsurance); and insurance services operations (including management of alternative insurance market mechanisms).

CONTACT: Robert V. Mendelsohn executive vice president of W.R. Berkley, 203-629-2880

-30- 2591
#90242p0146 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter-Wallace, Inc. (NYSE: CAR) today announced the acquisition of Lady's Choice(R) anti-perspirant deodorants from American Cyanamid Company (NYSE: ACY). Lady's Choice will be distributed by the company's Carter Products division.

The Lady's Choice product line will complement Carter-Wallace's existing line of Arrid(R) anti-perspirant deodorants. Moreover, it will enable the company to expand its presence into one of the most important health and beauty aid categories. Lady's Choice competes in the female segment of the $1.7 billion category. Arrid is one of the top-selling brands in the category.

Carter Products also markets the following brands: Trojan(R) condoms, Nair(R) depilatory, Pearl Drops(R) tooth polish, and First Response(R) at-home pregnancy test and ovulation kits.

Carter-Wallace, Inc. is a New York-based marketer and manufacturer of toiletries, proprietary drugs, diagnostic specialties, pharmaceuticals, and pet products.

CONTACT: Ellen Di Geronimo of Ruder Finn, (212) 715-1502 for Carter-Wallace.

-30- 1256
#90242p0148 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
THE WOODLANDS, TX (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitchell Energy & Development Corp. (AMEX: MND) today reported a decline in its second- quarter earnings but said it expects substantial improvement in operating results during the remainder of its current fiscal year.

At $5.1 million, or 11 cents per share, net earnings for the three months ended July 31 were down from the $6.5 million, or 14 cents per share, earned in the same period last year. Revenues totaled $160.1 million, compared with $148.5 million in the year-earlier quarter.

In the first half of the current year, earnings amounted to $11.8 million, or 25 cents per share, on revenues of $320.7 million. During the corresponding prior-year period, the company earned $12.6 million, or 27 cents per share, on revenues of $306.7 million.

Chairman and President George P. Mitchell attributed the reduction in second-quarter earnings principally to the world oil price decline prior to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and to the weakening of natural gas prices in the wake of last winter's unusually warm weather. He said the decline in the exploration and production division's operating earnings was partially

offset by improved operating earnings from both the transmission and processing division and the real estate division.

Mitchell said prospects for the remainder of the year are excellent in light of the combined benefit the company is receiving from higher oil prices and, more importantly, from increased volumes and prices for ethane propane and other natural gas liquids. Natural gas liquids prices began firming during the second quarter. They were further stimulated by the Mid-East turmoil, which began after the quarter ended, and then followed oil prices to the highest level in several years. The company currently is producing more than 37,000 barrels of natural gas liquids per day and expects to increase its output to approximately 40,000 barrels per day by year end.

Residential sales at The Woodlands were at a record pace during the first half, and progress was attained in other real estate division operations, Mitchell noted. Absent the $2 million gain on the sale of a 50 percent interest in four office buildings during the prior-year first quarter, he added, the division's operating earnings were ahead for the first half as well as for the second quarter.

Mitchell Energy & Development is a large independent energy company with real estate interests. Its shares are listed on the American and Pacific Exchanges.

CONTACT: Charles Simpson or Tony Lentini of Mitchell Energy & Development 713-377-5650.

-30- 2799

#90242p0151 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - William H. Spell, chairman of Sparta Corp. and Nicholas G. Grammas, president and chief executive officer of La Canasta of Minnesota, Inc., today announced the execution of a letter of intent for the merger or consolidation of their respective corporations.

Under the terms of the proposed agreement, existing Sparta shareholders will retain from 21.5 percent to 30 percent of the issued common stock of the combined companies. The exact percentage is dependent upon an incentive "earn out" arrangement based on future net income. The projected percentage ownership would change in the event of exercise of any of Sparta's outstanding common stock warrants.

The transaction is subject to satisfaction of certain conditions, including the approval of both Sparta's and La Canasta's shareholders.

Sparta Corp., based in Minneapolis, is a publicly traded blind pool formed in 1988 to raise capital for the acquisition of a business enterprise.

La Canasta of Minnesota, Inc. is a St. Paul, Minn.-based company formed in 1981. La Canasta produces and markets various food products sold to the retail consumer and specializes in institutional food service, supplying Mexican food products to regional restaurants throughout 13 states and Canada. La Canasta currently has 65 employees.

CONTACT: Nicholas G. Grammas of La Canasta, 612-646-1888; or William H. Spell of Sparta Corp., 612-334-3080

-30- 1627

#90242p0158 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Apache Corp. (NYSE: APA) today announced the completion of its Sprowls 3-33 flowing 8.0 million cubic feet (MMcf) of gas per day from the Pennsylvanian Red Fork formation.

The Apache-operated well, which produces from 140 feet of net pay between 13,870 and 14,040 feet, was tested on a 20/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 6,170 pounds per square inch. The company holds a 66.2 percent working interest in the producer.

The well is located on Apache's Cheyenne South prospect in the Roger Mills County, Oklahoma portion of the Anadarko basin. Abutting this prospect to the south is the company's Taylor Ranch prospect, where Apache completed the Sprowls 2-5 (92 percent working interest) in the first quarter flowing 10.4 MMcf of gas per day from 127 feet of net pay in the Red Fork formation. Completion operations at another Apache well on this prospect are scheduled to begin shortly.

In total, Apache has participated in the completion of eight Red Fork gas wells in the four-county area of Roger Mills, Beckham, Washita and Custer counties during 1990.

Apache is an independent energy company engaged in exploration, development and production of natural gas and crude oil. The company's securities are traded on the New York and Midwest Stock Exchanges (symbol APA).

CONTACT: Jeanne Buchanan of Apache Corp., 303-837-5017

-30- 1572

#90242p0159 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASHVILLE, TN (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Hospital Corporation of America ("HCA"), today announced that it had completed the recapitalization of its psychiatric subsidiary, HCA Psychiatric Company, on the terms and conditions previously disclosed.

In this recapitalization transaction, HCA Psychiatric has borrowed $515 million of an aggregate $545 million term and working capital facility which has been provided to it by a group of commercial banks and other financial institutions. Proceeds totalling $500 million have been transferred by HCA Psychiatric to HCA in repayment of intercompany debt. HCA will utilize the $500 million to reduce the current $638 million unpaid principal balance of its Asset Sale Bridge Loan.

HCA anticipates using the net proceeds of the $100 million remaining in escrow from the March 1990 sale of its interest in EQUICOR plus the net proceeds from other pending asset sales to repay the $138 million balance of its Asset Sale Bridge Loan due in March 1991. If the foregoing fails to provide sufficient funds to repay the balance of the Asset Sale Bridge Loan, HCA expects to fund any remaining balance with funds generated internally or with other borrowings.

The co-arrangers for the HCA Psychiatric financing include The Bank of Nova Scotia and Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York. This bank financing will mature December 31, 1997, and bear interest at adjusted LIBOR plus 2 1/2 percent or the prime rate plus 1 1/2 percent. HCA has not guaranteed any of the HCA Psychiatric financing, nor will HCA be contingently liable for such financing.

HCA - Hospital Corporation of America and its affiliated corporations own 76 medical-surgical hospitals and 54 psychiatric hospitals with approximately 24,000 licensed beds in the United States.

CONTACT: David McFadden of Hospital Corporation of America, 615-327-9551

-30- 2072

#90242p0161 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG GROVE, ILL. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Kemper National Insurance Companies has issued revised advertising guidelines aimed at keeping its commercials off golf events telecast from clubs with racial or sexual exclusionary practices. The company sponsors two nationally telecast golf tournaments and advertises on many golf events.

"The recent media focus on this issue has been a forcible reminder that there is need for those involved with professional golf to take a stand in support of non-discriminatory policies," said Gerald L. Maatman, president and chief executive officer of Kemper National.

The new guideline states: "Kemper will not advertise on golf tournaments played at clubs which the appropriate sanctioning bodies certify have discriminatory membership policies. In deciding if Kemper will or will not advertise on golf telecasts under this policy, we will make our own

judgment calls independently of the actions of other advertisers or organizations."

The revised guidelines re-affirm the insurer's policy of not advertising on programs that glorify speed, violence, racism, sexism or are otherwise offensive. The revised guidelines are being distributed to the firm's advertising agencies, professional golf organizations and the broadcast and cable networks on which Kemper National advertises.

Kemper National sponsors the Kemper Open at TPC at Avenel, a Tournament Players Course with an integrated membership in Potomac, Md. It is also a co-sponsor of the Women's Kemper Open presented at the Wailea Resort, a public facility in Hawaii.

Kemper National, with 1989 sales of $2.7 billion, sells most types of property-casualty insurance in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and some foreign markets.

CONTACT: Charles F. Johanns of Kemper National, 708-540-2513

-30- 2012

#90242p0163 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Hurco Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: HURC) has received a research and development contract from Martin Marietta (NYSE: ML) for the development of advanced motion control technology. The R&D contract is a part of a multimillion dollar Next Generation Computer Numerical Control Contract awarded to Martin Marietta and sponsored by:

- Manufacturing Technology Directorate
- Wright Research Development Center
- Aeronautical Systems Division (AFSC) - United States Air Force
- Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

Martin Marietta, the National Center for Manufacturing Sciences, the U.S. Air Force, several academic institutions, U.S. CNC Machine Tool Manufacturers, and users will be cooperatively developing this technology.

This contract, in conjunction with Hurco's increased research and development investments for software and computer control technology, will result in the release of new software and CNC products over the course of the next few years.

"We are very pleased to be a part of the Martin Marietta Development Team. We expect to use Hurco's corporate and divisional resources to successfully complete the contract and to commercialize the results," said Brian D. McLaughlin, president and CEO of Hurco Companies, Inc.

Hurco Companies, Inc. is one of the largest United States-based manufacturers of computer numerical control systems for stand-alone machine tools. The end market for the company's products consists primarily of independent job shops and short-run manufacturing operations within large corporations in industries such as the aerospace, defense, medical equipment, energy, transportation, and computers.

The company is based in Indianapolis, and has additional manufacturing facilities in Detroit and High Wycombe, England, and has a sales, application engineering and service subsidiary in Munich, West Germany.

Products are sold through 120 independent agents and distributors in the United States and 26 other countries. The company also has direct sales forces in the United States, the United Kingdom and West Germany.

CONTACT: Michael K. Campbell, senior vice president and chief financial officer of Hurco Companies, Inc., (317) 293-5309.

-30- 2442

#90242p0166 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR) announced today that the holders of certain notes who had previously agreed to defer payments due such holders from Aug. 23, 1990 to Aug. 30, 1990 have agreed to extend the deferment to Sept. 13, 1990 to enable Jacor to continue discussions with such holders and other creditors to restructure Jacor's obligations.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, currently owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville, and Tampa.

CONTACT: R. Christopher Weber or Jon M. Berry, (513) 621-1300, both of Jacor Communications, Inc.

-30- 963

#90242p0172 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELVILLE, NY (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Genovese Drug Stores, Inc. (AMEX: GDX.A), a chain of 93 super drug stores with locations in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, today announced sales and net income for its second quarter (12 weeks) and first half (28 weeks) ended Aug. 17, 1990.

Sales for the quarter increased 6.3 percent to $96,866,000. Sales for the first half were $225,444,000, 10.3 percent over the corresponding period a year ago. As of the end of the first half, 93 stores were in operation as compared to 96 a year ago. Two stores were sold and one was closed during

the first half of the current year.

Net income for the quarter was $795,000 or $.12 per share, a 100 percent increase over the $397,000, or $.06 per share a year ago. For the half, net income of $1,849,000 or $.28 per share reflected an increase of 22 percent over the $1,516,000 or $.23 per share a year ago.

Two new stores are planned for the remainder of the current fiscal year, two existing stores have been enlarged and 24 stores are in various stages of refurbishing.

GENOVESE DRUG STORES, INC.

Second quarter ended	8/17/90	8/18/89
Sales	$96,866,000	$91,121,000
Net income	795,000	397,000
Net income per common share	.12	.06
First half ended	8/17/90	8/18/89
Sales	$225,444,000	$204,471,000
Net income	1,849,000(A)	1,516,000
Net income per common share	.28(A)	.23
Average number of common shares outstanding	6,714,000	6,690,000

(A) Includes $238,000 or $.04 per common share from a gain on the sale of two stores.

CONTACT: Jerome Stengel, vice president and treasurer of Genovese Drug Stores, 516-420-1900

-30- 2072

#90242p0181 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Harvard Community Health Plan today assumed corporate and management control of RIGHA (Rhode Island Group Health Association), Rhode Island's oldest health maintenance organization.

A signing ceremony was held at RIGHA's Coro Health Center and administrative offices in Providence, just four months after an agreement-in-principle was reached between the two health plans. Among those participating were former RIGHA Chairman of the Board Edwin C. Brown RIGHA President and CEO Thomas A. Shields and Chief Medical Director Patrick H. Mattingly, M.D., and from Harvard Health, President and CEO Thomas O. Pyle.

Effective today, RIGHA becomes a corporate affiliate of Harvard Community Health Plan, which is New England's oldest and largest HMO. However, RIGHA will for the time being continue to operate as a separate health plan

within its enrollment area, which encompasses Rhode Island and much of Southeastern Massachusetts. RIGHA currently provides comprehensive health care and coverage to almost 77,000 members; Harvard Health services about 417,000 members, mostly in eastern Massachusetts.

RIGHA provides multi-specialty health care services at centers located in Providence, Warwick and Lincoln, R.I., and in Swansea and Plainville, Mass. RIGHA is also affiliated with independent group practices in Newport, R.I., and Westport, Mass.

Harvard Health and RIGHA began the process of affiliation on May 6, 1990, with the agreement-in-principle. Following an extensive financial review and the negotiation of new agreements with RIGHA's major hospitals and vendors, the two plans signed a definitive agreement on July 31st. Today's closing marks the successful resolution of other financial issues and the granting of approval for the affiliation by the Rhode Island Department of Health.

CONTACT: Alan Raymond of Harvard Community Health Plan, 617-731-8240

-30- 2104

#90242p0184 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAGUNA NIGUEL, Calif. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Furon Co. (NASDAQ: FCBN) board of directors voted to pay a quarterly dividend of $.06 per share payable Sept. 28, 1990, to stockholders of record Sept. 14, 1990.

Furon (formerly The Fluorocarbon Co.) is a producer of quality polymer products for the industrial market. The company serves a wide range of industries including petrochemical, aerospace, medical, transportation, pollution control and fluid power.

CONTACT: Peter Churm or Ron Bissell of the Furon Co., 714-831-5350.

-30- 688

#90242p0190 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Centel Corporation (NYSE: CNT) announced today that as part of its continuing strategy to focus on the local exchange telephone and cellular communications businesses it intends to sell its electric operations. The company said it anticipates reaching an agreement to sell the properties before the end of the year.

Separately, the company announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 21.33 cents on the company's common shares. The dividend, Centel's 181st consecutive quarterly cash payment, will be paid Oct. 31, 1990, to shareowners of record Oct. 5.

Centel provides electric service to more than 136,000 customers in Colorado and Kansas. Centel Electric had revenues of $165 million in 1989, while reporting operating income of $29 million.

"This proposed sale continues our restructuring to focus on those operations that provide greater opportunity for growth and return for shareowners," said John P. Frazee Jr., Centel's chairman and chief executive officer. "While our electric operations do not directly fit into our business mix, because of their good financial results, retention has been in the best interest of our shareowners. But recently we have received considerable interest from organizations wanting to acquire our electric properties. Because of this interest, we feel our shareowners will be best served by divesting these properties."

In the last three years, Centel has acquired more than $1 billion in cellular properties while selling its cable television operations for $1.4 billion; reached a definitive agreement to sell its Centel Communications System unit; sold Centel Federal Systems, and divested its interest in two long-distance carriers.

The company did not reveal who has expressed interest with regards to the sale of the electric properties. Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc. has been retained as an advisor to assist in the sale.

In addition to its electric operations, Chicago-based Centel Corporation, which had 1989 revenues of $1.19 billion, provides local exchange telephone service through more than 1.6 million access lines in nine states, and operates cellular communications franchises that serve nearly 150,000 access lines in 44 markets in 15 states.

CONTACT: William K. White of Centel, 312-399-2735

-30- 2559

#90242p0192 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANVILLE, VA. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Dibrell Brothers, Incorporated (NASDAQ-NMS: DBRL) today announced income from continuing operations of $14,594,007 or $2.21 per share for its year ended June 30, 1990. Income in 1990 was negatively affected by a one-time charge in the fourth quarter of $2,246,000, or $.34 per share, related to the disposal by Dibrell of its flower growing operation in Spain. Excluding this one-time charge, income from continuing operations for the 1990 fiscal year would have been $16,840,007, or $2.55 per share, a 13 percent increase over income from continuing operations in 1989 of $14,910,968, or $2.26 per share. Net sales for 1990 increased by 13 percent to $765.4 million versus $676.8 million in 1989.

During the fourth quarter of 1990, Dibrell provided for the discontinuance

of two distinct lines of business, its home ice cream freezer manufacturing unit and its retail floral business. Losses from operations for these two businesses in 1990 totaled $925,035 net of tax, or $.14 per share, and Dibrell has provided an additional $1,648,441 net of tax, or $.25 per share to cover prospective losses on phase-out and disposal of these businesses. Including the effects of discontinued operations Dibrell's net income for 1990 was $12,020,531 or $1.82 per share compared to net income of $14,590,787 or $2.21 per share last year.

The Company said that its worldwide tobacco operations recorded a sales increase of 16 percent in 1990 to $503.5 million and that tobacco operating profits were up significantly due to improved performance in the U.S. and South America, partially offset by a decline in operating results in Turkey. Tobacco operating profits in 1990 were increased by gains on the sale of certain non-strategic business units, and reduced by a provision for costs incurred in consolidating and downsizing the administrative and marketing functions of Dibrell's European tobacco offices.

Although tobacco operating profits derived from Brazil increased in 1990 versus 1989, the contribution to income from Dibrell's 30 percent owned Brazilian affiliate was negative. The contribution to income from Dibrell's tobacco affiliates operating in Malawi increased materially in 1990 over 1989.

Florimex and Baardse, Dibrell's two flower trading units, realized an increase in sales of 9 percent to $262 million. While the flower companies had positive operating profits in 1990, such profits were decreased by the poor results of the Spanish growing project as well as operating losses at Florimex's Miami import branch and at wholesale units in Toronto and Paris. The Spanish project was abandoned in 1990 and activities at the other problem units have been terminated or curtailed. Operating profits at Florimex in 1990 were increased by gains on sales of buildings in Germany and Austria.

CONTACT: John Hunnicutt, Dibrell Brothers, Incorporated, 804-792-7511

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#90242p0193 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

RADNOR, PA. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Sun Co.'s (NYSE: SUN) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Robert McClements Jr. today told a group of petroleum analysts in New York that the current turmoil in petroleum markets caused by the Iraqi invasion has not had a major impact on Sun's ability to acquire adequate supplies of crude oil for its five U.S. refineries.

Sun purchases approximately 600,000 barrels a day of crude oil on the open

market with some 70 percent of this demand satisfied by a diverse group of foreign crude oil producers.

David E. Knoll, president of Sun's Refining and Marketing subsidiary, said that in early 1990 Sun was purchasing approximately 2 to 3 percent of its crude oil supply from Iraq and has made up this lost supply from other producers.

In assessing the impact of the Clean Air Act on Sun's refining and marketing business, Executive Vice President Robert H. Campbell said, "It is not possible to generalize about the costs the industry will incur to comply with the mandates of the Clean Air Act. Each refiner and marketer will be affected differently, depending on such factors as the location of their operations, their particular refinery configuration, their products slate and the current condition of their facilities."

Sun said it expects to spend an average of $400 million per year in capital in its U.S. refining and marketing business during the first half of the 1990s. This increase over Sun's historical capital expenditures for this segment of the business is clearly affordable primarily from internally generated funds. Sun's 1988 acquisition of Atlantic Petroleum Corp., coupled with Sun's prior and planned capital expenditures, should enable Sun to effectively meet projected environmental standards for the refining and marketing of petroleum products.

Executive Vice President Richard W. Ince reviewed Sun's coal and coke business (Sun is the ninth largest coal producer in the United States) in light of the Clean Air Act. He pointed out that "Sun's coal is all low sulfur and located in areas of the country expected to realize higher low sulfur coal sales as utilities switch to low sulfur coal to meet the emission standards set by the Clean Air Act." Ince also discussed Sun's position with respect to coking operations and noted, "Sun's coke ovens are environmentally superior to the vast majority of coke ovens in existence today. Sun's existing coke ovens already meet the emission standards set by the Clean Air Act."

The company also indicated that it had reinstituted its stock repurchase program.

CONTACT: Tim Hughes of Sun Co., 215-293-6543

-30- 2838

#90242p0195 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOCA RATON, FLA. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Humagen, Inc. (NASDAQ: HUGE), has changed its name to First Medical International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HUGE). The announcement was made by Roberto Riva, president of the Boca Raton-based company with widespread interest in the medical field.

"The name, First Medical International, more accurately describes the changing nature of our company -- and the aggressive acquisition and growth phase we are now entering," said Riva.

First Medical International develops and markets practical, high-tech medical diagnostic testing products. The company has recently signed a letter of intent to purchase Cardio Scan, Inc., of Boca Raton, for $625,000.

Additionally, First Medical International also has the exclusive right to franchise, own and operate Medical Depot Superstores in the U.S.S.R., Mexico and Panama and a non-exclusive right to franchise, own and operate Medical Depot Superstores anywhere else outside the United States.

"Moving from being a company which has been involved primarily with research and development to a multi-operational company engaged in manufacturing, processing, distribution and retailing offers outstanding profit opportunities in the years ahead," Riva concluded.

CONTACT: Roberto Riva, president of First Medical International, Inc., 407-241-6760

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#90242p0202 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - QSR, Inc. (NASDAQ: QSRI) announced today that it has successfully completed the acquisition of the exclusive rights to operate and franchise the Miami Subs restaurant concept throughout the United States. Prior to today, QSR had the rights to develop and franchise Mr. Submarine/Miami Subs restaurants in Florida. Following today's announcement, this unique and successful fast food concept will be expanded throughout the country by QSR under the name Miami Subs.

In addition to acquiring the exclusive national rights, the company also acquired two operating Miami Subs restaurants located in south Florida. Company representatives stated that no debt or stock was involved in the acquisition.

The Miami Subs and Mr. Submarine restaurant concept, which was conceived by Gus Boulis, has quickly developed in south Florida and is well known for its bright and colorful exterior design and wide variety of "gourmet" fast food, offered in in-restaurant and drive-thru fashion. There are currently 44 Mr. Submarine/Miami Subs restaurants operating in Florida.

Boulis, chairman and chief executive officer of QSR, Inc., also indicated that the company is finalizing negotiations with an experienced executive

of the fast food industry to become president of the company. Boulis stated that the company expects to successfully complete and announce these negotiations in the very near future.

CONTACT: Brion Foulke of QSR, 305-772-4224, or Mark Starr, 212-661-8030.

-30- 1711

#90242p0208 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENSBURG, PA (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Jeffrey S. Ratner, chairman of Sulcus Computer Corp. (NASDAQ: SULC), Greensburg, Pa., and Paul Hammar, chairman of Lodgistix Inc. (NASDAQ: LDGX), Wichita, Kan., today announced that the two companies have reached an agreement in principle to merge their hospitality operations.

The consolidated Lodgistix/Sulcus operations will be the largest developer of automated hotel systems in the industry in terms of both the largest installed base and combined revenue.

Upon Lodgistix shareholders' approval, Sulcus will acquire the issued and outstanding common shares of Lodgistix (LDGX) for units of Sulcus (SULCU) and other consideration. The Sulcus unit consists of two shares of common stock and two redeemable stock warrants.

Approval of the agreement in principle was obtained without the favorable vote of George Zugmier, a founder of Lodgistix who, with another substantial shareholder, it is believed, will not vote shares owned by them in favor of the merger.

In announcing the proposed merger, the principals said that the combined operations will represent the only software development company in the industry offering automation in both the UNIX and IBM/DOS/Network environments.

They stated their respective boards cited improved opportunities in consolidating research and development and their combined worldwide sales and service networks as major factors in approving the agreement.

CONTACT: Jeffrey S. Ratner, chairman of Sulcus, (412) 836-2000, or Paul Hammar, chairman of Lodgistix, in Wichita, Kan., (316) 685-2216.

-30- 1771

#90242p0210 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRANCHBURG, N.J. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Air & Water Technologies Corporation (AMEX: AWT), formerly R-C Holding, Inc., announced today that it is offering to purchase all of its outstanding Senior Subordinated Debentures due April 15, 1998 at a price of $1,090 for each $1,000

principal amount thereof, together with accrued and unpaid interest up to the date of repurchase. In connection with the offer to repurchase, the company is soliciting consents from the holders of the debentures to amend the indenture governing the debentures to remove substantially all financial convenants applicable to the debentures. The company will not be obligated to purchase the debentures unless a majority of the debentures is tendered and consents to the amendments are obtained and the p?any has completed a private placement of not less than $100 million of senior sercurities or arranged for other new financing sources acceptable to the company for the repurchase of the debentures. The company currently has a preliminary agreement with an institutional investor to complete a $100 million private placement in mid-September 1990. The company's offer to purchase expires at 5 p.m., New York City time on Sept. 28, 1990, unless extended.

Assuming all of the debentures are tendered, the company will have successfully refinanced approximately $300 million of the $305 million principal amount of high-yield securities originally issued in connection with the leveraged buyout of Research-Cottrell, Inc. three years ago.

Air & Water Technologies Corporation, through its operating units, Research-Cottrell, Inc., Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: METC), and Residuals Management Group, provides a broad range of environmental services in the areas of air pollution control, water resource management, and waste by-product disposal and reuse.

CONTACT: Lucinda Edmonds of Air & Water Technologies Corporation, 617-245-1484

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#90242p0211 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST AURORA, N.Y. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Fisher-Price announced today that it has determined that the Fisher-Price metallic label on the shield of its Car Seats No. 9100 and 9101 manufactured prior to July 1989 can become loose over time. In some cases, children have removed the label, placed it in their mouths and begun choking.

Fisher-Price has received a small number of complaints regarding this label. The company is, therefore, urging consumers to periodically inspect their car seats and if the label is loose, they should simply peel it away and discard it.

The company emphasized that this problem in no way affects the crashworthiness or performance of the car seat.

Consumers who have questions on the car seat label should contact Fisher-Price at 716-652-8402 or write: Consumer Affairs Department,

Fisher-Price, 636 Girard Avenue, East Aurora, N.Y. 14052.

Car Seats manufactured since July 1989 have hard plastic labels that snap into the shield and are not affected by this problem. Seats currently available at retail all have the more recently designed nameplates.

CONTACT: Carol Blackley of Fisher-Price, 716-687-3423

-30- 1344

#90242p0213 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

STOCKHOLM (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Alfa-Laval Group, the Swedish- based supplier of food engineering, industrial and agricultural systems and equipment, reported higher sales and income for the first six months of 1990.

Consolidated income after net financial items amounted to SEK 733 million, up 12 percent over comparable income of SEK 652 million in the year-earlier period.

Operating income after depreciation, SEK 663 million, was up 8 percent, from SEK 615 million in the first half of 1989.

Order bookings totaled SEK 9,341 million, 15 percent higher than orders totaling SEK 8,123 million booked in the 1989 period. Invoiced sales, SEK 7,838 million, were 17 percent higher than in the first six months a year ago (SEK 6,721).

Earnings per share for the 12 months ended June 30 were SEK 16.70, compared with SEK 15.30 in the preceding 12-month period.

The group's order backlog at June 30, 1990 amounted to SEK 7,873 million, 26 percent higher than the SEK 6,224 million backlog a year earlier.

In a statement accompanying the report, Lars V. Kylberg, president and CEO said demand in the group's key areas remains favorable and has not been affected by the slightly weaker economic climate. "Since Alfa- Laval's operations include equipment for energy conservation, increased oil prices may have a positive effect," he noted. "This, combined with the group's geographic spread and financial position, provides a relatively favorable exposure to risk." Kylberg said the group's earlier forecast of a 15-percent sales increase, and an increase in income at approximately the same rate, remains unchanged.

ALFA-LAVAL GROUP

(SEK millions, except per-share data)

	Six Months	Percent Change

	1990	1989	
Orders received	$9,341	$8,123	15
Invoiced sales	7,838	6,721	17
Order backlog, June 30	7,873	6,224	26
Operating income after depreciation	663	615	8
Income after financial items	733	652	12
Earnings per share, rolling 12 months(A)	16.70	15.30	

(A) Figures reflect outstanding convertibles and options and 1989 stock split.

CONTACT: Ralph W. Bugli of The Bugli Company Inc., 914-234-7326 for Alfa-Laval

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#90242p0219 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, CO (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. West Cable Communications and United International Holdings (UIH) today announced the formation of a joint venture for the purpose of acquiring, developing and operating overseas cable television systems and related businesses. The name of the venture will be United Communications International (UCI). The parties have committed $100 million in equity capital to finance the venture.

Initial investments by UCI will consist of an 86 percent interest in Norkabel, the second largest cable television operator in Norway, and a 25 percent interest in Swedish Cable & Dish, the second largest cable operator in Sweden.

Norkabel currently serves 118,000 basic subscribers in 13 communities in Southern Norway and, when construction is complete, will pass 320,000 homes; Swedish Cable & Dish serves 96,000 basic subscribers throughout Sweden and expects to pass 600,000 homes.

The board of UCI will consist of an equal number of representatives from U.S. West and UIH, with UIH acting as the managing partner. Certain employees of UIH and U.S. West will join UCI's management subsidiary, including Mark Schneider as president, Mike Fries as vice president-business development, and Nimrod Kovacs, who is responsible for Eastern European opportunities.

Gary Bryson, president of U.S. West Cable Communications, said, "This venture is attractive to U.S. West both because it provides a natural vehicle for pursuing global telecommunications opportunities and because of the solid track record and management team UIH brings to the venture."

UIH President William Elsner added, "Many of the communications opportunities becoming available in Europe are extremely attractive, but

we may not have been able to pursue them all on our own. Being able to combine our efforts with the resources and expertise of U.S. West makes it a whole new ballgame. We are very enthusiastic about the prospects for UCI."

U.S. West Cable Communications, a division of U.S. West Inc. (NYSE: USW), also has international cable interests in 14 franchises in the United Kingdom with 2.5 million homes, cable systems in France with two million homes and the Hong Kong cable franchise with 1.5 million homes.

U.S. West Inc. is a $25 billion diversified company headquartered in Englewood, Colo. Its major subsidiary, U.S. West Communications, serves the communications needs of ten million customers in 14 states of the Western United States.

CONTACT: Ed Mattix or Rebecca Herbst of U.S. West Cable Communications, (303) 649-4676; or Bill Elsner of United International Holdings, (303) 770-4001.

-30- 2845

#90242p0222 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

YORK, PA. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Graham Companies announced today that it has agreed to purchase Sonoco Products' (NASDAQ-NMS: SONO) 40 percent ownership in the Sonoco Graham Co.

The Graham Companies is a privately held group based in York. Upon completion of the transaction, Sonoco Graham will be renamed Graham Packaging Co. The company will continue to be headquartered in York, with Donald C. Graham as chairman. There will be no change in the current management team.

Sonoco Graham is the world's largest manufacturer of high density polyethylene (HDPE) plastic bottles used for household chemicals, automotive lubricants, personal care and assorted food products. Sonoco Graham was formed in 1989 through a merger of the Petroleum Packaging Division of Sonoco Products and Graham Container, one of the Graham Companies. The company has 27 bottle-making plants located throughout the United States.

"By assuming full ownership of the company we are confirming our commitment to maintaining a leadership role in the plastic packaging field " said Donald C. Graham, chairman of The Graham Companies.

"HDPE bottles have gained tremendous acceptance by consumers," said Phil Yates, senior vice president. "That's why in the last seven years we've grown from an annual production of 250 million bottles to the current production of more than 2 billion bottles. What's more, over 25 percent

of that production now includes recycled plastic -- the biggest area of growth for our company," said Yates.

The Graham Companies plastic packaging activities include machinery manufacturing and plastic bottle manufacturing in the United States, South America, and Europe. The company has recently announced a national commitment to the use of recycled plastic for bottles that is estimated to take over a billion plastic bottles out of the waste stream each year. This commitment includes the Graham Recycling Co. plant in York, scheduled to open Sept. 26, 1990.

CONTACT: Roger Prevot, vice president of Sonoco Graham, 717-849-8547

-30- 2267

#90242p0226 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Posting record profits from its investment in National Beverage Corp., Burnup & Sims Inc. (NASDAQ: BSIM) today reported earnings for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990, of $2.2 million, or $.23 per share, on revenues of $48.4 million, compared to $2.1 million, or $.22 per share, on revenues of $44.2 million last year.

Achieving its best quarterly profits since being formed in 1985, National Beverage benefited from programs to stabilize ingredient costs and improve product pricing. Burnup & Sims telephone operations are positioned to take advantage of future opportunities as improvements in the economy occur.

Burnup & Sims, a leading national telecommunications service company, has diversified interests in real estate, movie theatres, printing and the soft drink beverage industry. With twelve bottling facilities throughout the United States, National Beverage Corp. owns and bottles Shasta, Faygo and Spree All Natural beverages, a Sante water and various private label soft drink brands.

BURNUP & SIMS INC. CONSOLIDATED RESULTS FOR THE PERIODS ENDED JULY 31, 1990 AND 1989
(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

Three Months Ended July 31,	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 48,372	$ 44,249
Net Income	$ 2,210	$ 2,102
Average Shares Outstanding	9,661	9,660
Earnings Per Share	$ .23	$ .22

CONTACT: George Bracken of Burnup & Sims Inc., (305) 587-4512.

-30- 1707

#90242p0231 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTVALE, N.J. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Mercedes-Benz of North America today announced the prices for its 1991 models, which go on sale Sept. 1.

The 1991 line consists of 18 models. Manufacturer's suggested retail prices range from $28,050 for the entry 190E 2.3 sports sedan with manual transmission to $89,300 for the 500SL coupe/roadster. The sales-weighted average price increase compared to the 1990 models is 3.3 percent.

Enhanced standard features include a new 10-speaker, 100-watt sound system in the 300E and 300E 4MATIC sedans and 300CE coupe, similar to that found in the large S-class models but specifically equalized for the 300-series' interiors. In addition, the 190E 2.3 and 190E 2.6 sedans and the 300TE and 300TE 4MATIC station wagons will have an active bass speaker system as standard equipment.

The 1991 models and their manufacturer's suggested retail prices (MSRP) are as follows:

MODEL	MSRP
190E 2.3 sedan with manual transmission	$28,050
190E 2.3 sedan with automatic transmission	28,950
190E 2.6 sedan with manual transmission	32,800
190E 2.6 sedan with automatic transmission	33,700
300D 2.5 Turbo sedan with automatic transmission(A)	41,000
300E 2.6 sedan with automatic transmission	41,000
300E sedan with automatic transmission	47,200
300E 4MATIC with automatic transmission	54,150
300CE coupe with automatic transmission	57,350
300TE station wagon with automatic transmission	51,150
300TE 4MATIC with automatic transmission	57,900
350SD Turbo sedan with automatic transmission(A)	53,900
300SE sedan with automatic transmission	53,900
350SDL Turbo sedan with automatic transmission(A)	57,800
300SEL sedan with automatic transmission	57,800
420SEL sedan with automatic transmission	63,600
560SEL sedan with automatic transmission	75,100
560SEC coupe with automatic transmission	82,900
300SL coupe/roadster with manual transmission	77,500
300SL coupe/roadster with automatic transmission	78,500
500SL coupe/roadster with automatic transmission	89,300

(A) -- Diesel model; not available in California.
Prices do not include transportation, handling fees or state and local taxes, if applicable.

CONTACT: Linda Paulmeno of Mercedes-Benz of North America, 201-573-6893

-30- 2677

#90242p0234 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLEN COVE, NY (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - North Hills Electronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: NOHL) announced today that it has received a satisfactory fairness opinion, dated Aug. 28, 1990, relating to the agreement in principle, dated Aug. 9, 1990, for the acquisition of its common stock by Porta Systems Corp. (AMEX: PSI).

North Hills Electronics, Inc., with operations in New York and Israel, is a designer, manufacturer and marketer of specialized, high-quality electronic components. The company's products are used for electronic signal processing, Local Area Networks (LANs) and other sophisticated data transmissions, and electrical impulse systems.

CONTACT: Bernark Kilkelly of Morgen-Walke Associates, (212) 986-5900, for North Hills Electronics.

-30- 915

#90242p0235 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHIPPINGPORT, PA. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Duquesne Light Co. officials at the Beaver Valley Power Station Unit No. 2 declared an alert at the plant at 11:10 a.m. today.

The alert, which is the second lowest level of emergency classification designated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, was declared due to venting of carbon dioxide gas in the west cable vault, an area of the plant which contains electrical cables. The alert was terminated at 1:11 p.m.

There was no release of radiation, no injuries, and the plant continued to operate.

The release occurred during maintenance testing of valves in the area. One of the valves being tested leaked carbon dioxide, which decreased the oxygen level below mandated safe levels. Ventilation of the area was begun and the oxygen content has been returned to normal levels.

The carbon dioxide is stored under pressure in liquid form and is part of the fire suppression system. The tank will be emptied prior to repair of the valves.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is being kept up-to-date on the plant's condition. Plant personnel are also in touch with state and local emergency management agencies to advise them of the situation, which is standard procedure in the event of an alert.

Duquesne Light officials stress that the situation did not present any threat to the health and safety of the public.

Beaver Valley Power Station Unit 2 (BVPS No. 2) is an 833,000-net-kilowatt nuclear-power generating plant. The plant is located on the Ohio River in Shippingport, approximately 22 miles northwest of Pittsburgh.

CONTACT: Duquesne Light Corporate Communications, 412-393-6059, or 412-393-6067

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#90242p0246 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Cooper Companies, Inc. (NYSE: COO) today reported its fourth successive quarterly profit. Net income applicable to common stock was $422,000 or $.02 per share on sales of $11.5 million for the third quarter ended July 31, 1990, compared with a net loss applicable to common stock of $14.9 million or $.63 per share on sales of $12.2 million in the same period a year ago.

For the nine months ended July 31, 1990, net sales were $34.9 million compared with $42.0 million for the year-ago period. The company reported net income applicable to common stock of $2.3 million or $.09 per share compared with a net loss applicable to common stock of $58.8 million or $2.51 per share in the same period a year ago.

Results from continuing operations for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 and 1989 are not directly comparable primarily due to the dispositions of the company's AQUAFLEX(R) soft contact lens business in the United States and Japan in the first quarter of 1989 and its international contact lens business in May of 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended July 31, 1989, includes a combined net loss of $11.9 million on the sale of discontinued operations and certain other assets and businesses. This amount represents the net effect of the following items: (i) the reported $9.3 million for gain on sales of assets and businesses, which represents primarily a gain on the sale of the company's AQUAFLEX soft contact lens business, net of a loss on the sale of its international contact lens business, and (ii) the reported $21.2 million loss on the sale of discontinued operations, which represents adjustments to the loss on the sale of Cooper Technicon, Inc. on June 29, 1989.

In the second and the third quarters of 1990, the company decreased certain tax liabilities due to favorable negotiations related to offshore subsidiaries and state income taxes, in the aggregate amount of $2.6 million, of which $1.4 million was recorded in the third quarter. The benefit of reducing these tax liabilities appears in income from continuing operations. In addition, in the third quarter and first nine months of 1990, the company generated gains on purchases of its 10-5/8

percent convertible subordinated reset debentures due 2005 of $2.6 million or $.10 per share, and $10 million, or $.41 per share, respectively. Also, for the nine months ended July 31, 1990, the company reported interest income (net of interest expense) of $7.2 million. For the comparable year-ago period, the company reported interest expense (net of interest income) of $12.3 million.

The Cooper Companies, Inc. develops, manufactures and markets optometric and ophthalmic products in the United States and Canada through its CooperVision subsidiary.

CONTACT: Ken Donenfeld or Marisa Heine, both of D.F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for The Cooper Companies.

-30- 3104

#90242p0248 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANDUSKY, OHIO (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Cedar Fair Management Company, the managing general partner of Cedar Fair, L.P. (NYSE: FUN), has finalized plans for more than $9 million in capital expenditures for the 1991 operating season at its Sandusky, Ohio amusement/ theme park, including another world-record roller coaster. Cedar Fair, L.P. owns and operates two amusement/theme parks: Cedar Point, located on Lake Erie between Cleveland and Toledo, and Valleyfair, near Minneapolis-St. Paul.

Richard L. Kinzel, president and chief executive officer of Cedar Fair Mangement Company, reported that approximately $7.5 million of this total will be invested to build a massive new traditional-style wooden roller coaster. "The new coaster, yet to be named, will be 160 feet tall, which will make it the tallest wooden coaster in the world, to complement our Magnum XL-200, the tallest steel coaster ever built," Kinzel said. Designed to travel at speeds over 65 mph, the new coaster will be Cedar Point's tenth roller coaster, adding to its own mark in the Guiness Book of World Records for having more coasters than any other park in the world.

"This is the second year in a row that we've allocated over $9 million in capital improvements for Cedar Point," said Kinzel. "This extraordinary new coaster will stand as a monumental symbol of Cedar Point's commitment to quality in world-class rides and coasters, while maintaining our philosophy of providing the finest entertainment for the entire family."

Kinzel said that capital expenditures for the Valleyfair park are in the process of being finalized and will be announced at a later date.

CONTACT: Juris Pagrabs of Cedar Fair, L.P., 419-627-2293

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#90242p0255 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. car/truck production for this week is estimated at 197,972 units, up 7.6 percent from last week's build 183,981, Ward's Automotive Reports said today.

Scheduled U.S. vehicle production for this week is 4.4 percent higher than 1989's same-period total of 189,718, Ward's reported.

Estimated U.S. car output for the week ending Sept. 1 is 124,038, bringing the year-to-date estimate for 1990 to 4,098,013, 87.6 percent of like-1989's total of 4,676,004 cars, according to Ward's.

U.S. truck output scheduled at 73,934 this week, just down from last week's build of 75,574, bringing the estimated year-to-date total to 2,618,979. The YTD total stands at 92.1 percent of last year's year-to-date production of 2,843,001.

Of this week's estimated U.S. car output, GM's share was 43.1 percent; Ford Motor Co. planned 24.6 percent of all cars; Chrysler Corp. slated 14.0 percent; Honda of America Mfg. Inc., 7.0 percent; Toyota Motor Mfg. USA Inc., 3.6 percent; Mazda Motor Mfg. (USA) Corp., 2.9 percent; Diamond-Star Motors Corp., 2.6 percent; Nissan Motor Mfg. Corp., 1.2 percent; Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc., 0.6 percent. New United Motor Mfg. Inc., going through model changeover, produced 0.4 percent.

NORTH AMERICAN FACTORY PRODUCTION

	This Week Estimated	Last Week Revised	Same Week Last Year	To Date 1990	To Date 1989
U.S.:					
Cars	124,038	108,407	121,653	4,098,013	4,676,004
Trucks	73,934	75,574	68,065	2,618,979	2,843,001
TOTAL	197,972	183,981	189,718	6,716,992	7,519,005
Canada:					
Cars	23,344	22,394	17,179	720,741	664,487
Trucks	17,003	16,012	19,724	597,126	647,545
TOTAL	40,347	38,406	36,903	1,317,867	1,312,032

CONTACT: James W. Bush of Ward's, 313-962-4433

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#90242p0256 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

LATHAM, NY (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The common and preferred shareholders of Coradian Corporation (NASDAQ: CDIN) today approved the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of June 5, 1990, among Coradian Corporation, Mitel, Inc. and Mitel Acquisition Corp., by virtue of which Mitel will acquire Coradian.

The merger will become effective upon the filing of a Certificate of Merger with the New York Secretary of State, which, it is anticipated, will occur on Aug. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Joseph Bruno, George Benson or Edward Osta of Coradian Corporation, (518) 783-7070.

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#90242p0264 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Harvest Capital Corporation (OTC), engaged through a subsidiary in the operation of two bridal retail stores, said today that it lost $196,722 on revenues of $684,807 for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990. For the prior fiscal year, the company lost $115,525 on revenues of $135,525.

The company said its loss is primarily due to start-up expenses related to the two stores.

CONTACT: Joseph Murphy of J.L. Murphy & Associates, (212) 967-7938, for Harvest Capital.

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RICHMOND, VA (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Leaf Tobacco Company, Incorporated of Richmond, Virginia, U.S.A., a wholly owned subsidiary of Universal Corporation (NYSE: UVV), is pleased to announce that the acquisition of all the outstanding shares of Gebrueder Kulenkampff AG of Bremem, F.R. Germany has been completed.

Gebrueder Kulenkampff AG and its affiliates comprise an international leaf tobacco trading group with more than $200,000,000 in annual gross sales representing approximately 70 million kilos of leaf tobacco.

Universal Leaf is extremely pleased to conclude this arrangement, and believes that this transaction strengthens both companies' leaf activities and provides a strong basis for continued growth. As a member of the Universal Group, Gebrueder Kulenkampff is positioned to expand on its strong reputation as one of the oldest and most reliable leaf dealers in the industry. Gebrueder Kulenkampff will continue to operate under its present management as an independent company with management and headquarters remaining in Bremen.

CONTACT: O. Kemp Dozier, Universal Leaf Tobacco Company, Incorporated, 804-254-3720.

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#90242p0268 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BATTLE CREEK, MI (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Kellogg Company (NYSE: K) has filed suit in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas to protect its right to provide truthful information on packages of Kellogg's Heartwise cereal. The suit asks that the Texas attorney general and health commissioner be restrained from acting against the labeling or distribution of Heartwise cereal packages in Texas.

This action follows threats by Stephen Gardner, a Texas assistant attorney general, to coerce changes in the labeling of Heartwise cereal. The assistant attorney general claims that the use of the name Heartwise, a heart symbol, and references to Henry Ford and Riverside Methodist hospitals on the packages infer a health claim that Heartwise lowers cholesterol. They have threatened to seize the product unless Kellogg makes the demanded changes, admits it violated the law, and pays the state a large sum of money.

"The assistant attorney general's threat is an irresponsible and politically motivated attack on our right to communicate scientifically supported health information about our products to consumers," said Joseph M. Stewart, Kellogg Company's senior vice president - corporate affairs. "The statements on our Heartwise cereal packages are supported by leading scientific organizations and health professionals, who have affirmed that a diet high in soluble fiber and low in fat can reduce elevated cholesterol levels.

"The assistant attorney general's position would prohibit us from disseminating this important information. It also shows blatant disregard for the contribution that high-soluble-fiber products can make in improving the American diet. This is a disservice to the citizens of Texas. Since our discussions have been fruitless, we will now depend on the courts to bring an end to this unwarranted intrusion into our right to commercial free speech."

Stewart continued: "Heartwise contains psyllium, a natural grain with more than eight times the soluble fiber of oat bran. This grain has been consumed as a food for centuries in other parts of the world, and in the United States in fiber supplements, cereals, certain health foods and other products.

"For more than 80 years, Kellogg Company has consistently provided valuable nutrition information and healthful food products to consumers. Over the years, we have received much recognition and many awards for our leadership role in nutrition communications. We refuse to stand by and let our reputation be damaged by such reckless and unconstitutional attacks by politically motivated officials."

CONTACT: Joseph M. Stewart of Kellogg Company, 616-961-3799.

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#90242p0270 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CALIF. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermark, Inc. (AMEX: IMI) today announced that the shareholders of both Intermark and Triton Group Ltd. voted overwhelmingly to approve all proposals considered at the companies' Annual Shareholders Meetings, including the merger of the two companies. Under the approved merger plan, structured as a tax-free reorganization, Triton shareholders will receive 1.4 shares of Intermark Common Stock for each share of Triton Common Stock, and Triton Group Ltd. becomes a wholly owned, private subsidiary of Intermark. As part of the merger, Intermark shareholders also voted to approve an increase in the number of Intermark's authorized shares from 23,000,000 to 30,000,000 consisting of 22,000,000 shares of Common Stock and 8,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock.

Charles R. Scott, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Intermark and Triton, stated that the approved merger represents the culmination of a long-standing plan to combine the two companies, and that shareholders of both companies will benefit from the transaction. Said Scott, "The 'new' Intermark possesses greater operating strengths, and the Company's stock is expected to enjoy enhanced marketability and visibility." Scott noted that Intermark's 14 Partner Companies have annual revenues of $2.1 billion $912 million in assets, and employ 22,400 people. "Also", Scott added, "all shareholders will now participate directly in a broader portfolio of Partner Companies in a simplified corporate structure, which presents an exciting array of opportunities for future growth."

The merger was subject to the approval of holders of a majority of outstanding shares of Intermark, and a majority vote of the non-Intermark owned shares voted at the Triton Annual Shareholders Meeting. The merger was effective upon filing of a Certificate of Merger in the State of Delaware today, at which time Triton's Common Stock was removed from further trading on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges. Intermark's stock will continue to trade on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "IMI."

Intermark is a $2 billion operating/holding company whose business is to acquire a controlling interest in, operate through and add value to well-established, successful, mid-sized American growth companies in broadly diverse industries.

CONTACT: Mitchell R. Woodbury, VP and Corporate Counsel, or John C. Stiska, president, both of Intermark Inc., 619-459-3841

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#90242p0271 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The promotion of Ronald M. Pirtle to executive in charge of General Motors' Corporate Strategic Planning Staff effective Sept. 1, 1990, was announced today by Robert T. O'Connell, executive vice president and chief financial officer.

Pirtle, 36, has been the comptroller of Pontiac Motor Division since 1988. A native of Jackson, Tenn., he joined GM in 1972 as a Chevrolet-sponsored cooperative student at General Motors Institute (GMI) in Flint, Mich. He received a bachelor's degree in industrial administration from GMI in 1977, and in 1980 earned his MBA from the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration.

After graduating from GMI, Pirtle worked for Chevrolet Motor Division in industrial engineering until 1978 when he took an educational leave. In 1980, he joined the GM Financial Staff where he held a variety of analytical positions until his promotion in 1984 to director of operations analysis. In June 1985, he was named director of cost analysis and in December of that year he became director of budget analysis.

In 1987, Pirtle joined the Flint Automotive Division of the Buick-Oldsmobile-Cadillac Group as manager, finance and business planning. He was appointed comptroller of Pontiac Motor Division in 1988.

In his new position, Pirtle will oversee the continued development and implementation of GM's companywide strategic business management efforts. He succeeds Michael E. Naylor, who recently was appointed general director, Military Vehicles Operation.

In his new position, Pirtle will report to Leon J. Krain, vice president in charge of the General Motors Financial Staff.

CONTACT: Terrence P. Sullivan of General Motors, 313-556-2019

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#90242p0273 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOKLYN, NY (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Bali Jewelry, Ltd. (NASDAQ: BALI), a leading manufacturer of gold jewelry products, today reported sales and earnings in the three and nine month periods ended June 30, 1990. The company attributed the decline in earnings to a decline in the price of gold which reduced its inventory valuations and to a change in marketing strategy.

BALI JEWELRY, LTD.
(In thousands)

Periods ended	Three months	Nine months

June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$1,557	$5,415	$13,480	$17,545
Income (loss) before taxes	(277)	203	(376)	887
Net income (loss)	(140)	136	(239)	523
Shares outstg.	6,300,000	4,000,000	6,300,000	4,000,000
Earnings (loss) per share	(.03)	.03	(.04)	.13

CONTACT: Nat Schlesinger of Bali Jewelry, (718) 237-0472.

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#90242p0276 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOKLYN, NY (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Private Brands, Inc. (NASDAQ: PRIB), a leading designer and manufacturer of knitted contemporary leisure wear and, through its Bali subsidiary, of gold jewelry products, today reported a decline in sales and earnings in the three and nine month periods ended June 30, 1990, from comparable periods ended June 30, 1989.

Ronnie Gross, chairman of the board, attributed the decline to a change in marketing strategy for the jewelry division and to a decline in the price of gold during the quarter which impacted on jewelry inventory valuations:

PRIVATE BRANDS, INC.

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total sales	$3,495,667	$8,367,646	$21,329,038	$28,322,185
Inc. (loss) bef. taxes	(88,461)	485,229	(150,026)	1,988,980
Net income	8,192	282,786	66,739	1,135,320
Divs. on pfd. stock	82,810	82,850	248,430	248,532
Net inc. per share of common stock	$(.01)	$.02	$(.02)	$.09
Avg. number of shares outstanding	8,365,190	9,864,190	8,365,190	9,947,507

The board also voted the regular cash dividend of $.08 per share on its preferred stock payable on Nov. 9, 1990, to holders of record on Oct. 22, 1990.

CONTACT: Aaron J. Gross of Private Brands, (718) 237-0472.

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#90242p0285 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PONTIAC, MICH. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - First Federal Savings Bank and Trust (FFSBT), a wholly owned subsidiary of First Federal Bancorp, Inc. (AMEX: FFS) (FFB), has agreed to sell its Port Huron, Mich., branch office to the State Bank of Croswell (SBC) as part of its previously announced restructuring plans.

The announcement was made jointly by Leo D. Ottoni, president and CEO of FFB and FFSBT, and Robert S. Wait, president of SBC.

"We have been systematically tightening our operations for months and will continue to do so," Ottoni said. "This sale is just one more step in our continuing program."

FFB is listed on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol FFS. The sale is subject to approval by the Office of Thrift Supervision, the Michigan Financial Institution Bureau and the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

"We believe this acquisition will enable us to provide our customers with convenient service in Port Huron," Wait said.

Eastern Michigan Financial Corporation (EMFC) is the parent company for SBC and the Sanilac County Bank. SBC has branches in Croswell, Lexington and Lakeport, and Sanilac County Bank has branches in Deckerville and Sandusky, Mich.

EMFC had total assets of $108 million as of June 30, 1990. SBC had total assets of $73 million as of June 30, 1990.

FFSBT is the fifth-largest thrift institution in Michigan. It has 28 branches in six southeastern Michigan counties and employs approximately 400 people. The bank was chartered more than 54 years ago.

FFSBT is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank System and its deposits are insured up to the applicable limits by the FDIC. FFB had total assets of $1.4 billion on March 31, 1990.

CONTACT: David A. Jablonski of Bassett & Bassett, Inc., 313-567-4150, for First Federal Savings Bank and Trust

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#90242p0286 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Duke Engineering and Services, Inc., of Charlotte, N.C., and James Martin and Associates (JMA) of Reston, Va., have announced they will join forces to provide a wide range of services to the expanding utility market.

The primary product to be offered under the joint marketing agreement will be the Utility Planning Enterprise Model. This model provides a unique assessment of the business processes of a utility along with the information used to perform these processes.

The companies will combine the utility industry experience of Duke Engineering, the marketing and engineering affiliate of Duke Power Co. (NYSE: DUK), with the technical expertise of JMA, a worldwide leader in Information Engineering.

John Norris, Duke Engineering and Services president, said the models offer utilities a unique guide for planning strategic corporate direction and for implementing a full scale information architecture. "In the mid-1980s, we developed these models to help us map where we wanted to be and how we were going to get there," said Norris. "It has worked extremely well for us, and through the process we gained valuable insight that could benefit utilities across the country."

For example, Duke Power Co. is using the model to implement its information architecture. They have developed several relational database applications including Electrical System database, Materials and Equipment database and a Customer Service System.

In addition, the companies will offer consulting services in the areas of information strategic planning, business area analysis and application development. John Wyatt, JMA president, said Duke Engineering and JMA personnel will provide clients with extensive experience and background in these services. "With our combined talent and resources, we can provide the utility industry with services of the highest quality," he commented. Wyatt said that the new operation was well underway with a recently signed contract with People's Natural Gas of Pittsburgh.

CONTACT: Becky Apter of Duke Power Company, 704-373-5584 (office) or 704-598-1654 (home), or Holly Pollinger of the Adams Group, 301-279-5555 (office), for James Martin and Associates

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#90242p0287 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Bechtel Corp. has been chosen by ARCO Products Company of Los Angeles to initiate a major refinery modernization for ARCO (NYSE: ARC) facilities near Bellingham, Wash.

The program will commence in October with initial engineering and procurement provided by Bechtel's Southern California Regional Office, according to Del Zambon, manager of Business Development for Bechtel Petroleum, Chemical, and Industrial Company.

The central element of the refinery program, according to Zambon, will be the addition of a diesel hydrotreater. The result will be the reduction of the sulfur content in diesel fuels, providing cleaner burning fuels than in use today.

ARCO's Cherry Point facility near Bellingham processes approximately 178,000 barrels of Alaska North Slope crude oil per day, providing diesel, jet, automotive and fuel gases.

"This award is significant for Bechtel," Zambon said. "As industry strives to meet and exceed environmental requirements, Bechtel's engineering and procurement teams will be able to work with industry leaders to apply proven state-of-the-art processes and technologies," Zambon continued. "ARCO's program is an excellent example of bringing Bechtel's resources to meet today's needs," according to Zambon.

Bechtel, founded in 1898, is one of the world's leading engineering-construction management firms, and is headquartered in San Francisco. Bechtel's Los Angeles Regional Office offers the full range of Bechtel services, including environmental, power, space and defense, telecommunications, and transportation, in addition to its petroleum operations.

CONTACT: Jim Lamble of Bechtel Corp., 213-807-2393

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#90242p0288 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - National Intergroup Inc. (NYSE: NII) announced today that a hearing on the terms of the previously announced settlement of certain litigation relating to its pending tender offer for all outstanding cumulative convertible preference units of Permian Partners, L.P. was held as scheduled on Monday, Aug. 27, 1990, and that the parties plan to submit additional information to the Delaware Court on Tuesday, Sept. 4, 1990.

NII said that the court had indicated at the hearing that it intends to rule on the settlement promptly after receipt of such information. In addition, as announced on Wednesday, Aug. 29, NII plans to amend the terms of its tender offer with respect to the terms of the Contingent Value Rights offered thereby, and upon such amendment, plans to further extend the tender offer for a minimum of 10 business days.

CONTACT: Bob Matusiak of National Intergroup, 412-394-4745

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#90242p0289 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Liam Neeson, Sir John Gielgud and Joely Richardson have joined the cast of Twentieth Century Fox's "Shining Through," which stars Michael Douglas and Melanie Griffith, and is written and to be directed by David Seltzer, it was announced today. The film, which will be made in association with Sandollar Productions, will start filming Oct. 1 in London, Berlin and Austria.

A romantic spy thriller set during World War II, "Shining Through" is based on the best-selling novel by Susan Isaacs and chronicles the daring adventure of a Brooklyn-born secretary (Griffith) working in the New York office of the OSS, who persuades her boss (Douglas) to send her on a one-time mission to gather information in the home of a high ranking Nazi officer, Dietrich (Neeson), in Berlin. Gielgud portrays Sunflower, Griffith's key spy contact in Berlin, and Richardson plays Marguerite, a German girl who befriends Griffith.

Liam Neeson is the star of the current box office hit "Darkman." Among his other films are "Suspect," "The Mission," and "The Good Mother." Sir John Gielgud, one of the world's most respected actors, has among his many credits "Chariots of Fire," "Arthur," "Beckett," "Julius Caesar" and the BBC series "Brideshead Revisited." Joely Richardson starred in "Wetherby" with Vanessa Redgrave.

Twentieth Century Fox is primarily engaged in the financing, development, production, distribution and marketing of motion pictures throughout the world and is a unit of Fox Inc.

CONTACT: Terry Clifford of Twentieth Century Fox, 213-203-2497

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#90242p0293 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. automakers are scheduled to produce 124,039 units this week, 17.67 percent above last week's production of 105,417 and 1.96 percent above the year-ago week, Automotive News reported today.

Year-to-date U.S. car production is 4,082,839, which is 12.42 percent below the 4,661,817 units produced at this time last year.

Domestic truck production is scheduled at 75,664 this week, which is 2.12 percent below last week's production of 77,304 and 8.13 percent above the year-ago week.

Year-to-date truck production is 2,689,250, which is 7 percent below last year's pace of 2,891,549.

U.S. estimated production for this week is shared as follows: General Motors, 43.15 percent; Ford Motor Co., 24.62 percent; Chrysler Motors, 14.03 percent; Honda of America Manufacturing Inc., 7.02 percent; Toyota Motor Manufacturing, 3.56 percent; Mazda Motor Manufacturing (USA) Corp., 2.85 percent; Diamond-Star Motors, 2.59 percent; Nissan Motor Manufacturing Corp. U.S.A., 1.20 percent; Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc., 0.60 percent and New United Motor Manufacturing Corp., 0.38 percent.

North American Factory Production

	9/1/90 Est.	9/2/89 Actual	8/25/90 Actual	Y-T-D 1990	Y-T-D 1989
U.S.					
Car	124,039	121,653	105,417	4,082,839	4,661,817
Truck	75,664	69,975	77,304	2,689,250	2,891,549
Total	199,703	191,628	182,721	6,772,089	7,553,366
Canada					
Car	22,094	16,855	21,144	691,111	645,948
Truck	15,953	19,433	14,962	561,995	634,245
Total	38,047	36,288	36,106	1,253,106	1,280,193

CONTACT: Anne E. Wright of Automotive News, 313-446-0366

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#90242p0295 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SMAMOKIN, PA (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Central Pennsylvania Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: CPSA) announced today it is commencing a stock repurchase program to acquire up to 100,000 shares of the corporation's common stock, which represents approximately five percent of the outstanding common stock.

The program will be dependent upon market conditions and there is no guarantee as to the exact number of shares to be repurchased by the corporation.

John M. O'Brien, president and chief executive officer of the corporation, stated the board of directors authorized the repurchase program, which is expected to be completed within six months.

O'Brien said the board of directors considers the stock to be an attractive investment at current price levels. According to O'Brien, the repurchases generally would be effected through open market purchases. Although he did not rule out the possibility of unsolicited negotiated transactions or other types of repurchases.

Central Pennsylvania Financial Corp. is the parent company of Central Pennsylvania Savings Association. The association is the 18th largest federally insured savings institution in Pennsylvania.

Originally chartered in 1873, Central Pennsylvania conducts business from offices in Williamsport, Danville, Lewisburg, Shamokin Dam, Sunbury, Camp Hill, Mount Carmel, Shamokin and Hershey, Pa. Its Hamilton-Reliance division conducts business from offices in Norristown, Wayne, Warminster, West Point, Pa., and Philadelphia.

CONTACT: Frank J. Fendt of Central Pennsylvania Financial, (717) 644-0861.

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#90242p0301 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FL (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph R. Wright Jr. and Robert E. Evanson have been elected directors of Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc. (NYSE: HBJ) Alvin V. Shoemaker has resigned as a director of the company.

Wright is a vice chairman and a director of W. R. Grace & Co., New York. Before joining W. R. Grace & Co., he was director, Office of Management and Budget in President Reagan's Cabinet from 1988-1989 and Deputy Director from 1982-1988. Wright has served in the Department of Commerce (1981-1982) and the Department of Agriculture (1971-1976), as well as having been President of Citicorp Retail Services and Retail Consumer Services, Citicorp, Inc. (New York) and a vice president of Booz, Allen and Hamilton from 1966-1971. He is a graduate of Colorado School of Mines and holds a master's degree from Yale University.

In addition to being elected a director, Robert E. Evanson, who is an executive vice president and chief financial officer of Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc., was also elected treasurer of the company. Evanson has been with Harcourt Brace Jovanovich since 1985; previously he was with Harper & Row, Publishers, Inc. He is a certified public accountant and was previously a partner in the firm Arthur Andersen & Co.

The directors also elected the following individuals to new positions: Bill M. Barnett becomes a senior vice president of the company. Barnett, who joined HBJ in 1961, has been a vice president of the company since 1983. He was appointed president of the College Division of Holt, Rinehart and Winston, Inc., a subsidiary of the company, in May 1990. Previously, he had been president of the College Department of Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc.

Otto J. Nicols was elected controller of the company. Nicols joined the company in 1986, after HBJ acquired Holt, Rinehart and Winston and W. B. Saunders from CBS Inc. Nicols was elected an administrative vice president of the company in February 1990.

C. Anson Franklin joins the company as a vice president in charge of Corporate Communications. Franklin was assistant administrator for External Affairs at the U.S. Agency for International Development.

Previously he served as Assistant Secretary of Energy (Congressional, Intergovernmental, and Public Affairs) and assistant press secretary at the White House.

Harcourt Brace Jovanovich publishes general books, school and college textbooks, and psychological tests, as well as medical and scientific books and journals. It is also a major underwriter of life, health, and accident insurance through its subsidiaries Federal Home Life Insurance Company, PHF Life Insurance Company, and The Harvest Life Insurance Company.

CONTACT: C. Anson Franklin, vice president of Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc., 407-345-3010.

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#90242p0303 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Debt-ridden Edgell Communications Inc. is looking for a way out. The beleaguered trade magazine publisher is offering investors a financial restructuring that in theory would increase everyone's stake in the company in exchange for more time to make ends meet, according to a report in the Sept. 15 issue of Folio:'s Publishing News. But one accountant who hasn't seen the specifics of the Edgell plan says such offers typically "exchange one worthless piece of paper for another." And other observers say that because of its preoccupation with its debt, the Cleveland and Duluth, Minnesota-based company's magazines are losing ground and stagnating in their markets. Even the company's chief acknowledges at least some magazines may be sold. Last year, Edgell posted $44 million in losses on revenues of $204 million.

VDT Radiation Levels Addressed at Conde Nast

The safety of video display terminals is a growing concern at one magazine company, according to a report in the Sept. 15 issue of Folio:'s Publishing News. Glamour magazine has reorganized its offices to ensure staffers are kept from within four feet of the backs and sides of a given terminal. Glamour's precaution stems from a recent test by the magazine Macworld of several popular VDT models that found radiation approaching levels associated with cancer is emitted at close distances. The Glamour move also is a response to studies showing that more radiation is emitted from the backs and sides of VDTs than the fronts. Glamour parent company Conde Nast Publications Inc. is considering employee seminars that would cover posture, hand placement, lighting and positioning of the VDT.

Environmentally Speaking, You Can Judge a Magazine by its Wrapper

The New Yorker was applauded two years ago when it stopped using plastic polybag wrappers and returned to brown paper wrappers. Now, according to a report in the Sept. 15 issue of Folio:'s Publishing News, The New Yorker

is going a step farther: it is using recycled paper for its paper kraft wrap. It took The New Yorker a while to find recycled paper strong enough to survive the binding process, but as concern for the environment grows, more and more printers are taking steps to return to kraft wrapping.

Is Your Recycled Paper Really Recycled?
It might depend on your definition of what's recycled. But a report in the Sept. 15 issue of Folio:'s Publishing News indicates very little of the recycled paper used by magazines contains "post-consumer" paper fibers - that is paper headed for the landfill that's been used by its ultimate consumer. The problem is twofold, industry figures say: first, post-consumer recycled paper presents drawbacks in quality, though they can be overcome. And second, a universal definition of recycled paper still needs to be established.

Penton Hops the Fast Track
The changing of the guard at Cleveland's Penton Publishing has brought a new atmosphere - and a much faster pace to the trade magazine publishing company. The staid style that was a company trademark is out, according to a report in the Sept. 15 issue of Folio:'s Publishing News. Arriving with new president Dan Ramella and new CEO (and former president) Sal Marino is a reorganization that stresses innovation, entrepreneurship, new revenue streams, and most of all, editorial quality.

One-Stop Marketing at Meredith
Meredith Corporation's new publishing director, Jay Burzon, is establishing a support group to further the company's "end-to-end marketing" efforts. In a question and answer session featured in the Sept. 15 issue of Folio:'s Publishing News, Burzon discusses a growing wave in magazine publishing: "You begin by advertising in our magazines and you end up in the store," he says. "We do everything, all along the marketer's pipeline, to determine where they need help -- whether it's research, sampling, promotion, event handling, in-store merchandising, or advertising."

CONTACT: Tony Silber of Folio:/Publishing News, 203-358-9900, ext. 177

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#90242p0305 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of General Development Corporation (NYSE: GDV) today named Thomas J. Hutchison chief executive officer effective Sept. 1, in addition to his duties as president and chief operating officer. Charles Simons remains chairman of the board.

"The appointment of Tom Hutchison as chief executive officer is a key

planned step in our effort to establish an entirely new senior management team for General Development," Simons said. "Since becoming president in July he has demonstrated the leadership and talent needed to bring General Development successfully through its reorganization process."

Hutchison, 49, has more than 25 years experience in real estate development and management, most recently as head of Hutchison Development Group of Easton, Md. He earlier was chief executive officer of Murdock Development Group of Los Angeles for seven years.

A native of South Bend, Ind., Hutchison attended Purdue University and the University of Maryland.

Hutchison is a member of the board of directors of Burris Foods, Inc., the Bank of Maryland and the Maryland State Bank; on the board of sponsors of Loyola College; the advisory council of the Peabody Institute of the John Hopkins University and has been a member of the Young Presidents Organization since 1979.

He has served on the board of directors of the John F. Kennedy Institute for Handicapped Children, the National Aquarium, the University of Maryland Medical System and on the Governor's Salary Commission of the State of Maryland.

CONTACT: Nelly Medel of General Development Corporation, 305-859-4256.

-30- 1826

#90242p0309 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - MEI Diversified Inc. (NYSE: MEI) announced consummation of the acquisition of the stock of three companies engaged in the operation of approximately 2,000 professional beauty salons and related businesses principally in leased space in major department stores throughout the United States and Canada. Total annual sales will approximate $400 million.

MEI owns 80 percent of the outstanding stock of the acquiring entity, MEI-Regis Salon Corp., which includes The Glemby Company, Inc. and Subsidiaries, headquartered in New York; Essanelle Salon Co. and Maxim's, both located in Minneapolis. The remaining 20 percent of the acquiring company is owned by Regis Corporation and affiliates, Minneapolis, the former owners of both Essanelle and Maxim's. Regis Corporation is a privately owned company, which owns and operates hairstyling and haircare salons throughout the United States and Canada, predominantly in shopping malls.

CONTACT: James A. Cesario, vice president-controller, MEI Diversified, 612-339-8853.

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#90242p0318 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Alco Standard Corp. (NYSE: ASN) today announced that it has reached a decision to divest the companies within its Alco Food Systems Group.

Although these companies collectively are profitable, well-run businesses with dedicated management and employees, the company said they do not appear to have the inherent capacity to achieve the long- term growth goals established by Alco Standard.

No sales transactions are currently pending, and the amount of proceeds to be realized from the divestitures is not presently known; however the proceeds will be retained until the evaluation of various investment opportunities has been completed.

Ray B. Mundt, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The actions we are recommending are in keeping with Alco's long tradition of responding and adapting to an increasingly competitive and changing world. They are also consistent with our commitment to take those steps which are necessary to maximize the growth of shareholder value over the long term."

The decision to sell these companies requires the retroactive restatement of the results of the Alco Food Systems segment from continuing to discontinued operations. After this restatement, earnings per share from continuing operations for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 were $1.59 compared with $1.63 in fiscal 1989, when earnings were favorably impacted by tax benefits associated with the utilization of the pre-acquisition net operating loss of Saxon Industries. Operating income from the company's continuing operations during the first three quarters of fiscal 1990 were $148.7 million, up an impressive 19 percent over $125 million in the first three quarters of fiscal 1989.

In addition, the company said it expects to establish reserves of approximately $8 million in the fourth quarter, or 13 cents per share, in connection with a judgment entered in unrelated litigation. Although the company said it believes it has excellent grounds to prevail on appeal, it is appropriate to establish these reserves at this time.

Alco Standard Corp., headquarterd in Valley Forge, is a publicly held company specializing in high growth, service-intensive industries. For its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1989, revenues were $4.1 billion.

CONTACT: David B. Kirkland of Alco Standard, 215-296-8000, or at home, 215-542-9025.

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#90242p0329 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - BP Oil announced today that customers who purchased home heat oil on the Sohio deferred billing program and the budget "keep-full" program from Aug. 1-15 will receive a 16.5-cent per gallon price reduction credit. The average customer (with an average delivery of 200 gallons) will receive a $33 credit on his bill, which will be mailed starting Sept. 15.

"Our price reduction program adjusts early August home heat oil prices to July prices," said Hugh Hanna, senior vice president, retail marketing, BP Oil.

"Because our deferred billing customers and budget 'keep-full' customers don't schedule their specific delivery dates they might have received a delivery during early August when oil prices were higher than July. To be fair, we are adjusting the price for early August deliveries to the July price levels," commented Hanna.

CONTACT: Anne Straitiff, (216) 586-6762; or Nancy Heinen, (216) 586-5342; both of BP Oil.

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#90242p0339 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MICH. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The world's No. 1 pizza delivery company and the world's No. 1 soft drink company today announced an expansion of their highly successful business partnership: Domino's Pizza stores now offer diet Coke.

For years Domino's Pizza has been able to offer consumers two popular products: hot pizza and ice-cold cans of Coca-Cola Classic. Now that union has grown to include the phenomenally successful diet Coke, the world's best-selling diet soft drink. Diet Coke was named the new product of the decade by Advertising Age magazine.

"We've been considering this for some years now, and the time is right," said Domino's Pizza President Dave Black, who announced the go- ahead at a national meeting of Domino's franchises last week in Atlanta, headquarters of Coca-Cola USA.

"Coca-Cola Classic has been a winner for us for a decade and we expect that the addition of diet Coke to our menu will further strengthen our leadership position in the marketplace," Black said. "When a product ranks first in the diet soft drink category, it's got a tremendous amount of clout and obvious consumer appeal. We're proud to offer it."

Domino's Pizza stores sold more than $75 million worth of Coca-Cola Classic in 1989.

Domino's Pizza has more than 5,300 stores throughout the United States and 21 international markets. Coca-Cola products are sold around the world.

CONTACT: Tim McIntyre of Domino's Pizza, 313-930-3563

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#90242p0352 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CITY OF INDUSTRY, CA (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Stor Furnishings International Inc. (NASDAQ: STOR) reported sharply higher sales and a reduced loss in the first quarter of fiscal 1991, Harvey G. Knell, chairman and chief executive officer, announced today.

The company also announced that it has signed a long-term lease for a fourth Stor supercenter to be opened in a major Texas metropolitan market in the Spring of 1991.

For the 16 weeks ended July 20, 1990, sales climbed to $22,714,000 from $16,264,000, in the corresponding period a year ago. A net loss of $1,638,000, equal to 28 cents per share, was sustained, compared to a loss of $4,102,000, or $1.04 per share, in the first period of fiscal 1990.

The net loss in this year's first quarter reflects the write-off of approximately $400,000 in prepaid production costs of an advertising campaign that the company has determined it may not be utilizing.

The per share calculations are based on 5,807,000 weighted average shares outstanding in the latest period, and 3,960,000 weighted average shares in the prior year. The increase is a reflection of Stor's initial public offering of 2,250,000 shares of common stock on April 27, 1990.

Knell commented: "The primary reason for the substantial rise in sales is the fact that our third supercenter in the Del Amo Fashion Center was open for the full quarter this year, whereas last year it was not open until June.

"It is important to add, however, that our original supercenter, here in the City of Industry, and our second unit in Tustin, both reported improved sales in the 16 weeks ended July 20, 1990. The three supercenters each contributed to our 39.7 percent sales increase with comparable store sales up 13.7 percent versus the same period of the prior year.

"Opening the Del Amo supercenter had an important impact on last year's first quarter results. Preopening expenses amounted to $1,827,000 in that quarter. There were no comparable charges in the first 16 weeks of fiscal

1991."

Knell added: "A key element in Stor's strategy is the opening of additional supercenters. Our initial public offering was made, in part, to help us fund this expansion. Unfortunately, our efforts in this area have been complicated by the unsettled state of real estate financing market.

CONTACT: James D. Stadtlander, president, or Richard St. Peter, CFO, (818) 912-8788, both of Stor Furnishings International.

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#90242p0353 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas Industries, Inc. (NYSE: TXI) today announced that as a part of the 1985 purchase of 50 percent of Chaparral Steel Co., it has distributed 1,216,652 common shares into a five-year voting trust for the benefit of Co-Steel Inc. The trustees are Robert D. Rogers, Gordon E. Forward, and Richard M. Fowler.

Texas Industries, a FORTUNE 500 company, produces steel, cement/concrete products, and develops real estate.

CONTACT: Alan D. Halliburton of Texas Industries, Inc., 214-647-6731

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#90242p0355 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Comerica Bank-Texas, in a transaction assisted by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, has acquired the deposits of Chisholm National Bank of Plano, Texas. Comerica has the option to purchase loans and other assets from Chisholm's portfolio.

Chisholm has deposits of approximately $20 million and operates an office at 200 Chisholm Place. The bank was closed by banking regulators Thursday afternoon and will reopen Friday morning as the 17th branch of Comerica Bank-Texas.

CONTACT: Joe Goyne or Robin Roberts of Comerica Bank-Texas, (214) 841-1401 or (214) 424-0300.

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#90242p0358 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALISBURY, N.C. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The following is a response by Food Lion, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FDLN) to the United Food and Commercial Workers union (UFCW) call for a boycott of Food Lion stores:

How ironic it is on this Labor Day weekend for a union leader to call for

the destruction of more than 45,000 jobs of Food Lion employees in retaliation for their desire to remain union free. Such blatant threats and arrogant disregard of true employee free choice is the kind of coercion of employees that totally desecrates the purpose and spirit of Labor Day.

The fact is, Food Lion opens more than 100 stores each year and adds more than 5,000 employees each year. Food Lion could not do this without offering competitive wages and excellent benefits. On average, Food Lion receives three to four applications for every available job. In America today, 93 out of every 100 retail workers have chosen to remain union-free. Given this fact, it is even more reprehensible that the United Food and Commercial Workers union would call for a boycott of Food Lion stores because the men and women working at these stores do not want to join the UFCW.

Labor Day is not Labor Union Day. Labor Day is a day to honor all working men and women of America.

CONTACT: Mike Mozingo, Food Lion, Inc., 704-633-8250 Ext. 2575 or 704-784-4270

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#90242p0364 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEMPHIS, TN (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Holiday Inn Worldwide, the world's leading hospitality chain, recently signed an agreement with the Florida Youth Soccer Association, Inc. (FYSA) making it the official hotel of the FYSA.

More than 3,000 FYSA member soccer teams representing some 60,000 registered youth soccer players and 4,000 coaches participate in approximately 50,000 soccer matches throughout the state of Florida during one year.

"Holiday Inn hotels of Florida are proud to be the official hotel of the FYSA and look forward to working with them over the next year. We recognize the increasing popularity of soccer as an amateur sport within the state of Florida and know that this agreement will be a perfect complement to our SPORTS RATES program," says Buddy LaCour, president, Holiday Inn hotels of Florida.

Because the majority of travel for FYSA members is within the state of Florida, more than 100 participating Holiday Inn hotels in the Florida Hotel Marketing Association (HMA) have developed a special lodging and sweepstakes promotion for FYSA coaches, players and families.

FYSA members staying at participating Holiday Inn hotels in Florida become

eligible for weekend-getaway-for-two drawings when they send copies of their hotel guest folios to Florida Youth Soccer Association, 207 Hillcrest Street, Orlando, Fla. 32801. Drawings will be held quarterly through May 10, 1991.

"Although the majority of FYSA travel is within the state of Florida, our players and coaches also travel nationally and internationally. It was important that we select a hotel whose quality, service and rates we could depend on to serve as our home no matter where we travel," says Dr. Thomas Fleck, director of Educational Services and Coaching at FYSA.

For more than four years, the Holiday Inn SPORTS RATES program has offered special rates to amateur and professional sports groups, as well as individuals who direct sports-related travel such as coaches, athletic directors and professional scouts, according to Wilson Whitley, director, Sports Marketing, Holiday Inn Worldwide.

FYSA coaches and officials will receive SPORTS RATES identification cards entitling them to discounted rates starting at 20 percent off Holiday Inn hotels' non-discounted rates.

Reservations for SPORTS RATES rooms can be made by contacting any one of the 820 participating Holiday Inn hotels and asking for SPORTS RATES rooms. Reservations for 10 or more rooms can be made by calling 1-800-238-5510.

CONTACT: Renee Dew, Holiday Inns, 901-369-7296

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#90242p0366 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROSEMEAD, CALIF. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - What can you do if you want to help increase our nation's energy security? Try energy conservation! Southern California Edison has recently doubled its conservation budget with programs that help encourage energy efficiency and lessen our dependence on foreign resources.

These include:

- Residential Energy Management Incentive Program. This program provides cash rebates to residential customers who purchase and install energy efficient appliances (subject to certain restrictions), such as evaporative coolers, air conditioners, heat pumps and heat pump water heaters.
- Welcome Home Program. Incentives offered to builders who construct homes, condominiums and apartments which surpass state energy efficiency standards.
- Customer Assistance Programs. These are designed to help qualified, low-income customers, senior citizens, the

permanently handicapped, and non-English speaking customers control their energy use. These include residential energy surveys, energy efficient relamping, evaporative cooler maintenance, installing clock thermostats, weatherization items and bilingual communication.

-- Design for Excellence Program. This program awards money and recognition to the non-residential business community for integrating energy efficiency into building design.

CIA Energy Surveys. Commercial, industrial and agricultural customers can obtain energy management information from specially trained energy services representatives.

-- Hardware Rebate program. This program provides cash rebates to commercial, industrial and agricultural customers who purchase and install energy efficient hardware that reduces energy usage or shifts demand.

-- Pump Test Program. Agricultural customers and water districts can have their water pumps tested and evaluated by Edison.

-- Electric Motor Pump Test Program. Commercial, industrial and agricultural customers are encourage to use energy efficient electric motors as a pumping source to replace polluting internal combustion engines.

For more information about Edison's energy efficiency programs, call Edison's toll-free Action Line at 1-800-952-5062.

CONTACT: Kevin Kelley of Southern California Edison, 818-302-2255

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#90242p0382 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - American Airlines' AAdvantage members will earn double miles on selected nonstop transcontinental flights Sept. 5 through Oct. 31. Markets included in the promotion are New York's Kennedy-Los Angeles (LAX), Newark-Los Angeles, Boston-Los Angeles, Washington, D.C.'s Dulles-Los Angeles, Kennedy-San Francisco, Kennedy-San Jose and Kennedy-San Diego.

The double mile bonus is equal to actual flight miles. For example, a coach class Kennedy-Los Angeles flight provides 2,475 miles. The AAdvantage member will earn a total of 4,950 miles for the trip.

This bonus is in addition to any other bonus the member may be eligible for, for example, the first class bonus of 50 percent, or the California Corridor bonus.

CONTACT: Mary O'Neill of American Airlines, 817-967-1587

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#90242p5694 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Centel Corporation (NYSE: CNT) announced today that James A. Lovell Jr., executive vice president and a member of the board of directors, has retired from the company's board, effective today. Lovell, 62, will remain a consultant with the company.

"Jim Lovell has been an integral part of the success of Centel," said John P. Frazee Jr., Centel's chairman and chief executive officer. "His insights, gained from his experience as an astronaut, pilot and business leader, have helped us tremendously. He is respected and admired, not just here at Centel, but by people all across the world."

With Lovell's retirement, Centel has 12 members on its board. "I am very satisfied at what we have accomplished at Centel," Lovell said. "The company has enjoyed many successes and I'm happy to have played a part in them. I look forward to remaining in the Chicago area and intend to remain active in other civic and corporate organizations."

Lovell joined Centel in 1980 while serving as president of Fisk Telephone Systems when Centel acquired the company. He was elected executive vice president in 1984 and became a member of the Centel board in 1985.

During his career with Centel, Lovell held a variety of executive positions, managing the company's human resources, corporate communications, investor and government relations, technical planning and data services departments. He also served as president of Centel Communications, where he directed the company's cable television and business systems operations.

A former astronaut, Lovell served as command module pilot and navigator on the Apollo 8 moon mission and was spacecraft commander for the Apollo 13 flight. He held the record for time in space, 715 hours, until surpassed by the Skylab flights. He retired from active Navy duty in 1973. Among his many honors, he has received the Presidential Medal for Freedom, the NASA Distinguished Service Medal, the Navy Distinguished Service Medal, two Navy Distinguished Flying Crosses, and in 1989 he was presented with the French Legion of Honor by the government of France.

He is a member of the board directors of Bally Manufacturing Inc. (NYSE: BLY), DeSoto Inc. (NYSE: DSO), and Federal Signal Corporation (NYSE: FSS).

CONTACT: William K. White of Centel Corporation, 312-399-2735

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#90242p5695 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Stewart & Stevenson Services Inc. (NASDAQ: SSSS), a leading manufacturer of diesel and gas turbine powered equipment, today announced net earnings of $7,542,000 or 51 cents per share on revenues of $160,006,000 for the second quarter ending July 31, 1990. These results compare to income of $6,439,000 or 47 cents per share on revenues of $146,378,000 for the same period one year ago. Earnings for the first six months totaled $14,779,000 or 99 cents per share on revenues of $303,702,000 compared to revenues of $274,069,000 and net income of $13,037,000 or 95 cents per share for the first half of 1989.

Once again, we are pleased to announce a modest improvement over the prior year. The 8.5 percent increase in quarterly earnings per share was achieved in spite of the heavy deliveries (exceeding $18 million) under the Peace Shield contract a year ago.

Each of the company's two segments is performing well. At the quarter's end the level of unfilled equipment orders totaled $304 million. While unfilled orders are somewhat flat in comparison to the prior quarter, it is important to note that the company operation and maintenance contracts, which are not reported in this backlog, have grown dramatically in recent years. These contracts, which involve the operation of power generation and cogeneration facilities, currently exceed $70 million and will be included in future backlog announcements.

Consolidated operating results for the three and six months ended July 31, 1990 were as follows:

	Dollars in thousands except per share data	
Three Months Ended July 31,	1990	1989
Sales	$160,006	$146,378
Net earnings	7,542	6,439
Net earnings per share	.51	.47
Total shares outstanding	14,907	13,762
Six Months Ended July 31,		
Sales	$303,702	$274,069
Net earnings	14,779	13,037
Net earnings per share	.99	.95
Total shares outstanding	14,904	13,762

CONTACT: David R. Stewart of Stewart & Stevenson Services Inc., 713-868-7657

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#90242p5698 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX) today announced it has assumed a key role in the planned development of

Worldbridge Centre, a high-technology Asian-themed cultural, trade and investment complex planned for Eastern Baltimore County's Middle River area.

The announcement was made by Richard A. Linder, president of Westinghouse's Electronic Systems Group here, and Asia/USA Development Corp. President Dean Gitter.

Westinghouse will become project manager and systems integrator as well as one of the limited partners of Asia West Limited Partners, a new organization led by general partner Asia/USA Development Corp. Gitter, who has spearheaded the Worldbridge effort since its inception, will remain president and chief executive of Asia/USA Development Corp.

Westinghouse's Commercial Systems Divisions -- a unit of the Electronic Systems Group -- will serve as prime systems manager for the business and entertainment complex which will be devoted to increasing trade, communication and cultural exchange between the eastern United States and the Asia Pacific region.

The first phase of the $1 billion, 1,000-acre project is scheduled for completion in 1993-94.

"Through this association with Asia/USA Development Corp., we look forward to their completing a state-of-the-art facility that advances the concept of a world trade and financial center showcasing a host of 21st century technology," Linder said. "By participating in this project, we hope to expand the sales of our systems and technology worldwide as well as enhance the business and cultural base of both the state of Maryland and Baltimore County."

Committed to continuous growth, Westinghouse established the Commercial Systems Divisions this past January to capitalize on its world-class engineering and systems capabilities in non-defense sectors.

"We are pleased that a firma with Westinghouse's engineering, communications and systems integration expertise has recognized the world-class scope of this project and put its resources and technological prowess behind it," Gitter said. "Westinghouse plays a major role in the international trade arena and is ideally positioned to help move this project forward."

The first two elements of Worldbridge Centre will be the Pacific World Trade & Investment Center patterned after existing world trade centers in Taiwan, Japan and Korea, and the Asia/USA Worldpark designed as a first-class entertainment and educational facility similar to Disney's Epcot Center.

Other planned elements of the project include an East-West retail shopping center, a world-class hotel and conference center, and a country club-style residential complex.

CONTACT: Jack Martin Jr. of Westinghouse Electric, 301-765-4441, or Greg Harris of Image Dynamic, 301-539-7730, for Asia/USA Development Corp.

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#90242p5699 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - ARGOSystems Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of The Boeing Co. (NYSE: BA), announced today that the applicable waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act has expired in connection with its tender offer for all shares of UTL Corp (NASDAQ: UTLC). ARGOSystems' tender offer for all shares of UTL Corp. expires at midnight EDT, Aug. 31.

CONTACT: Paul Binder of The Boeing Co., 206-655-6123

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#90242p5700 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwest Airlines is spreading its promotional wings over some new turf -- the gridirons of the nine universities of the Southwest Conference.

The Dallas-based airline today announced a broad, sports-themed program tied to its umbrella sponsorship of the conference whose member schools include: The University of Arkansas, Baylor University, University of Houston, Rice University, Southern Methodist University, The University of Texas, Texas A&M University, and Texas Tech University.

"We're very proud and excited to become associates with the Southwest Conference and its schools," said Southwest Airlines Chairman of the Board President and Chief Executive Officer Herb Kelleher. "The relationship is more natural than just a name we share," Kelleher continued. "The Southwest Conference programs and those of its member schools embody competitiveness and teamwork which are also key ingredients in the continued success and growth of our company."

Southwest Airlines Vice President for Sales and Marketing Don Valentine said the conference sponsorship marks the first significant use of college-level sports to market Southwest Airlines' services. Valentine also explained the sponsorship is integrated with the airline's plan to observe its 20th anniversary in 1991.

The sponsorship packages give Southwest Airlines exclusive title rights as

the "Official Airline of the Southwest Conference."

Highlight of the program is a special hour-long videotape, "Legends of the Southwest Conference," which will focus on conference football greats from the last 20 years. The video was developed jointly with Coca-Cola, and will be available to consumers at special Coca-Cola displays at participating grocery outlets throughout the conference beginning in early September.

"This exciting video retrospective comes at an important period of conference evolution. We think it will be a 'must-have' for every conference football fan," said Guy Thomas, Coca-Cola Enterprises.

Internally, the conference sponsorship will focus on Southwest Airlines' frequent flyers. The Southwest Airlines "Pass-Sport" will offer Southwest Airlines COMPANY CLUB members free sports-themed merchandise as a travel incentive during the eight-week promotion. Members who fly eight roundtrips will be able to select an item bearing their favorite conference school's logo.

CONTACT: Ann Hancock of Southwest Airlines, 214-904-4353

-30- 2681

#90242p5701 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Great Lakes Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: GLBC) and Union Federal Savings Bank of Indianapolis announced today they have signed a definitive agreement to exchange Great Lakes' six branches in Indianapolis for four branches owned by Union Federal Savings in Hamilton and Middletown, Ohio. Great Lakes recently acquired Dollar Federal Savings Bank in Hamilton.

"This exchange strengthens Great Lakes' market position in the Hamilton area," said Dennis E. Pearsall, executive vice president of banking services at Great Lakes Bancorp. "Both Great Lakes and Union Federal will realize cost efficiencies from concentrating their resources to achieve greater market share."

Jerry Von Deylen, president of Union Federal, said, "The six Great Lakes branches will complement our existing Indianapolis network. They fill market gaps in the metro area where we were looking to add branches."

Dollar Federal, a subsidiary of Great Lakes Bancorp, has $140 million of deposits and five branches in Butler County, north of Cincinnati. Butler County is the second-fastest growing county in Ohio. The addition of Union's four branches will add $130 million of deposits to Dollar Federal.

Union Federal, Indiana's largest privately held savings bank, operates 39

branches, as well as Union Federal Savings Bank of Frankton. The six branches that Union Federal will receive in the exchange have $110 million of deposits.

Great Lakes Bancorp has 58 branches in Michigan and operates Dollar Federal Savings Bank, with five branches, in Hamilton. Great Lakes also operates Great Lakes Mortgage Co., a mortgage banking subsidiary. With $3.7 billion in assets, Great Lakes Bancorp is Michigan's second-largest savings bank.

The exchange is subject to the approval of federal regulators.

CONTACT: Bruce A. Hubbard of Great Lakes Bancorp, 313-769-8300.

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#90242p5703 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - PHP Healthcare Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: PHPH), a major supplier of medical services and personnel for the Department of Defense, reported a 77 percent increase in earnings before extraordinary items for its first quarter ended July 31, 1990, when compared to the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

First quarter earnings before extraordinary items increased to $824,000 (25 cents per share) over $466,000 (12 cents per share) for the comparable quarter last year. The increase in net earnings was even more favorable, increasing to $824,000 (25 cents per share) over a net loss of $284,000 (8 cents loss per share) for the comparable quarter last year.

The company also achieved its highest quarterly revenues in its history. Revenues increased 36 percent to $22.9 million over $16.8 million for the comparable quarter last year.

Management attributes its strong performance to the increased demand for services by the Department of Defense and the commencement of new projects. Charles H. Robbins, the company's president and chairman, stated, "Our improved performance is a result of our long-term commitment to meeting diversified critical healthcare needs through innovative, cost-effective health delivery partnerships with governments at the local, state and federal levels." PHP is meeting these critical health care needs in five major areas: ambulatory care, medical staffing, mental health, long-term care and total managed care.

PHP HEALTHCARE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share data)

Three Months Ended

	July 31, 1989	1990
Revenues:		
Contract revenue	$ 16,348	$ 22,572
Patient service revenue	491	320
Total revenues	16,839	22,892
Expenses:		
Direct contract costs	13,771	19,253
Patient service costs	397	274
General and administrative	1,791	1,748
Total expenses	15,959	21,275
Operating income	880	1,617
Other income (expenses):		
Interest expense	(104)	(264)
Miscellaneous income	7	21
Earnings before income taxes	783	1,374
Income taxes	317	550
Earnings before extraordinary items	466	824
Extraordinary items:		
Provision for shareholder suit settlement	(750)	--
Net earnings	$ (284)	$ 824
Earnings per common share:		
Earnings before extraordinary items	$ 0.12	0.25
Extraordinary items:		
Provision for shareholder suit settlement	(0.20)	--
Net earnings per common share	$(0.08)	$0.25
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	3,667	3,363

CONTACT: Charles H. Robbins, president and chairman, or Anthony M. Picini, vice president, finance, PHP Healthcare Corporation, 703-998-7808

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#90242p5707 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - GV Medical, Inc. (NASDAQ:GVMI) today announced that it has submitted an application to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to begin human clinical studies of a new laser system designed to remove plaque from clogged coronary arteries. The application submitted to the FDA is for an investigational device exemption (IDE), the first step in the regulatory process for new medical devices.

Initial clinical work is scheduled to begin later in 1990 at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation. The laser system, which features diagnostic as well as therapeutic capabilities, is being developed under an agreement between Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the Cleveland Clinic Foundation and

GV Medical.

James R. Grabek, president of GV Medical, said the new laser system was designed to overcome shortcomings demonstrated by the systems currently available. "The system uses a unique source of laser light and delivery capabilities that make it a true third-generation product," Grabek said. "We look on the new system as a major step in the evolution of laser angioplasty, and we are pleased to be associated with MIT and the Cleveland Clinic Foundation in this effort."

Grabek said papers reviewing research conducted by MIT and the Cleveland Clinic Foundation into the diagnosis and treatment of atherosclerosis with various laser systems will be presented on Friday, Sept. 7, at the Fourth International Workshop on Future Directions in Interventional Cardiology in Santa Barbara, Calif., sponsored by the American College of Cardiology. The papers, which will include certain aspects of the new system being developed for GV Medical, will be delivered by Dr. Michael S. Feld, director of the George R. Harrison Spectroscopy Laboratory at MIT, and Dr. John R. Kramer, Jr., cardiologist at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation.

GV Medical, based in Minneapolis, also produces the LASTAC(R) System, which uses direct laser energy to vaporize arterial plaque, creating a channel into which a balloon catheter can be inflated to complete the opening of the vessel. The system has been approved by the FDA for use in leg arteries, and has been under clinical evaluation in coronary arteries since March of 1988. More than 1,500 procedures using the LASTAC System have been performed worldwide, including 170 coronary procedures, the company said.

CONTACT: James R. Grabek of GV Medical, Inc., 612-559-4000; or Curt Swenson of Swenson/Falker Associates Inc., 612-371-0000.

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#90242p5710 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) is investing $28 million to upgrade sections of its Chicago Line, which links Chicago and Albany, N.Y.

The work, which began in May and is scheduled to be completed in late fall is part of Conrail's capital program for 1990. The project includes the installation of more than 205,000 crossties and the surfacing (raising and smoothing) of more than 720 miles of supporting railbed. The work is being done in Illinois, Indiana, New York, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.

The 800-mile-long Chicago Line, one of Conrail's busiest rail corridors, runs via Buffalo, N.Y., Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio, and Elkhart, Ind. Conrail's high-speed, high-priority intermodal trains, carrying a wide

variety of consumer products, use the route daily. Other trains on the line carry commodities such as new motor vehicles, automotive parts, coal, food products, steel, grain and a variety of manufactured goods.

"Conrail's capital program enables us to provide safe, reliable and customer-responsive service," said James A. Hagen, Conrail's chairman, president and chief executive officer. "Projects such as this will provide a sound track structure essential to Conrail's ability to compete in the transportation marketplace."

CONTACT: Robert L. Libkind or Patricia Linskey of Conrail, 215-977-4594

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#90242p9990 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MAHWAH, NJ (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Graham W. Whitehead, CBE, president of Jaguar Cars Inc. and a director of Jaguar Ltd. in the UK, has announced that he will retire from the company, effective Oct. 1, 1990. This month Whitehead celebrates 45 years of service with Jaguar Cars and/or its predecessor companies. He will be 62 years of age on Sept. 13.

Michael H. Dale, 55, has been appointed president of Jaguar Cars Inc. He had been senior vice president with responsibility for the company's sales operations and marketing activities.

In making his announcement Whitehead stated: "After 45 years in the business and with my 62nd birthday coming up, I think it is an appropriate time to turn the presidency over to my successor. Handing the presidency over to Mike Dale will ensure a smooth transition. Mike has been responsible for our sales, marketing, parts and service activities for a long time. He and I have worked together closely for many years and he has my full support and best wishes."

In a tribute to Graham Whitehead, Bill Hayden, chairman and chief executive of Jaguar Ltd. in the UK, stated: "Graham W. Whitehead has been one of the outstanding motor industry executives of his generation. Of his 45 years service to the British motor industry, more than 30 have been spent representing it in North America. During his time as president of Jaguar and its predecessor companies in the U.S., he has been responsible for export sales of almost one million British motor cars worth in excess of $10 billion.

Born in Kidderminster, England, he began his automotive career as an engineering staff apprentice with Wolseley Motors Ltd. in 1945. From 1955 on he held various posts overseas with British Motor Corporation Ltd., becoming senior sales executive for BMC (USA) Ltd. in New York in 1959.

When British Motor Corporation/Hambro Inc. was established in 1963, he continued as senior sales executive and later was named executive vice president.

When British Motor Holdings (USA) Inc. was formed through merger of BMC/Hambro and Jaguar Cars Inc., Whitehead was named president. In 1968 he became president of British Leyland Motors Inc. when that company was formed through merger of British Motor Holdings and Leyland Motor Corporation of North America. He was made managing director of the North American division of British Leyland International in 1971. The U.S. company was re-named Jaguar Cars Inc. in March of 1983.

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#90242p9992 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Toshiba America Information Systems Inc. (TAIS) and Tech Data Corp. (NASDAQ: TECD) jointly announced today that the legal action taken by TAIS has been dropped. The companies reported that several recent meetings between the two companies have been instrumental in developing a plan to address the remaining points at issue.

"We feel a better understanding of both sides of the issues has been reached, allowing us to agree on an action plan," stated Tom Scott, vice president of sales for Toshiba. John Higgins, vice president of marketing for Tech Data of Clearwater, Fla., stated, "We believe the plan will provide the basis for rapid resolution of all issues."

Toshiba America Information Systems is a wholly owned subsidiary of Toshiba America Inc. Seven divisions within TAIS market a wide range of office automation products within the United States. The Toshiba Computer Systems Division markets and supports high-quality Toshiba portable personal computers and peripherals for the United States marketplace.

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#90242p9993 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CONCORD, CA (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Fibreboard Corp. (AMEX: FBD) today announced that the court in the "Cimino" asbestos personal injury consolidated trial in Beaumont, Texas yesterday approved an agreement and stipulation between Fibreboard and other parties to the action that provides substantial relief from appeal bonding requirements.

Fibreboard had been concerned that it might be unable to obtain bonds to stay the execution of future judgments which might be entered in the approximately 2400 personal injury cases that have been consolidated in "Cimino." If bonds were required in an amount sufficient to cover the possible judgments in all these cases in order to pursue appeal of those judgments, the company had said that it might be forced to seek protection afforded by the bankruptcy laws.

The stipulation announced today, among other things, should allow Fibreboard to appeal all relevant issues arising out of the trial. It will be required to post a bond covering only the first nine individual actions on which judgment is expected to be entered. Fibreboard expects to be able to obtain bonds in amounts sufficient to cover these nine judgments, estimated by Fibreboard to be approximately $3 million. While there are additional trial court proceedings in the coming weeks which could further affect the stipulation, the company believes that the agreement and stipulation approved yesterday substantially resolves its concerns regarding its ability to appeal adverse judgments in the "Cimino" case.

Fibreboard anticipates it will be several months before the issues in "Cimino" will be appealed. At that time, the court is expected to enter final judgments in approximately 175 cases against Fibreboard and the other co-defendants. However, the court will stay execution of all judgments pending appeal to the Fifth Circuit and will require a bond to be posted covering only 9 of the final judgments. An appeal to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals may take up to 18 to 24 months. Fibreboard Chairman and President Lawrence C. Hart stated, "Fibreboard continues to believe that many procedures used in "Cimino" violate both federal and state due process requirements and it intends to assert this and other issues to the Fifth Circuit."

Fibreboard Corp., headquartered in Concord, Calif, manufactures lumber, hardwood plywood, moulding and millwork, agricultural container components composite structural lumber, precision molded industrial insulation and fireproofing materials. It also owns and operates Northstar-at-Tahoe, a ski resort and year-round vacation and conference center in California.

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#90242p9995 08/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. (AUG. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern Links Magazine Publishing Associates (SLMPA), publisher of the award-winning "Southern Links" magazine, has announced it will launch a twin bi-monthly publication, "Western Links," on January 1, 1991.

"We are tremendously excited about 'Western Links,'" said Jack Purcell, publisher of the Southern Links and managing partner of SLMPA. "Like its twin publication, 'Western Links' will serve a strong niche not presently served by traditional golf magazines. And by expanding to the West, we're now considered a 'national buy,' which is an important point to our advertisers. The West is a vibrant, growing golf market, and we anticipate great success."

"Southern Links" is a bi-monthly, request-controlled circulation publication based in Hilton Head Island, S.C. The two-year-old magazine focuses on highlighting new golf courses, resorts and communities of the golf-rich South, as well as the traditions and values that are shaping the future of golf.

Like its twin publication, "Western Links" will be a "where to" rather than a "how to" golf magazine, offering readers an attractive package of spectacular photography, outstanding writing and an upbeat, easy-to-read format. In accordance with its name, "Western Links" will concentrate on the 13 western states -- including Hawaii -- offering in-depth travel pieces about some of the world's finest golfing destinations.

According to Purcell, "Western Links" will showcase the best of western golf and highlight what is best about the game of golf. It also will explore emerging trends and controversial issues, offer exclusive interviews with golf's legends and leaders, and provide new insights into the rich history, traditions and future of the sport.

"Southern Links" has a request-controlled circulation of 170,000 with an estimated readership of over 500,000 in all 50 United States, plus Canada and the Caribbean. "Western Links" has a projected request-controlled circulation of 40,000 for 1991. Advertisers will now be offered a national advertising package of 210,000. The average reader for both magazines is 48 years old, plays 55 rounds of golf each year, and has an average annual income of $118,000.

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MOSCOW (AUG. 30) TASS - A TRAIN CARRYING OIL CRASHED ON WEDNESDAY BETWEEN GYUSHA AND KAILYU STATIONS OF THE ASHKHABAD DEPARTMENT OF THE CENTRAL ASIAN RAILWAY, THE IZVESTIA NEWSPAPER WRITES TODAY.

HEAVY SHOWERS IN WESTERN TURKMENIA ON TUESDAY NIGHT CAUSED A LANDSLIDE, SENDING THOUSANDS OF TONNES OF SAND, STONES AND WATER CRASHING DOWN ACROSS THE RAILS.

AT 03:00 IN THE MORNING ON WEDNESDAY, THE TRAIN, HEADING FROM UFRA, HIT THE MASS OF MUD AND WAS DERAILED. THE LOCOMOTIVE AND SEVERAL TANK-CARS TURNED OVER AND EXPLODED.

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#90242u0095 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says ''Kuwait is part of Iraq'' and that his country will NOT pull out of the oil-rich emirate it invaded almost four weeks ago. In an interview, Saddam also flatly denied that there are any behind-the-scenes negotiations underway toward an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait... as has been reported. Yet, the Iraqi leader seemed to suggest he is open to ''new ideas'' to resolve the crisis. In his words- ''Any idea that may be submitted to us, will certainly get our response.''

The two most powerful men in the Soviet Union are vowing to bury their differences. Soviet President Gorbachev and Russian republic president Boris Yeltsin met for five hours in Moscow Wednesday and agreed to work together for the sake of the country. During a break, the two made an UNprecedented appearance on an official television news show. They stood side by side... at times laughing and finishing each other's sentences.

West German officials say talks between Chancellor Helmut Kohl and the opposition Social Democrats ended early Thursday in Bonn with NO agreement on new abortion legislation. Further talks are scheduled for Thursday evening. The matter is the last hurdle to a key unification treaty. All parties involved agree that for an interim period after the October 3rd unification, abortion will remain legal in what's now East Germany and generally illegal in West Germany. The time frame for passage of a permanent law by an all-German government is what's hanging things up.

The collapse of a subway grating in midtown Manhattan Wednesday night left one person dead and two more injured, one critically. New York authorities say the three... apparently homeless... were sitting atop the grating when it gave way. One victim crawled to safety. A second was pulled from the wreckage by rescuers. But the third was killed... pinned beneath a compressor.

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#90242u0096 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Illinois National guardsmen searched the rubble Wednesday for more victims of Tuesday's deadly tornadoes that roared through Will County, southwest of Chicago. NONE was found and the official death toll stood at 24. President Bush declared the county a federal disaster area after speaking with Illinois Governor James Thompson... ordering federal

aid to supplement relief efforts in the area.

The California Board of Prison Terms denied parole Wednesday to a member of the ''Zebra Killers'' gang that terrorized San Francisco during a six-month period in 1973 and '74. Larry Green will be eligible for another parole hearing in 1992. He is one of four black Zebra Killers sentenced to life in the apparently random attacks on white victims that left 14 dead and seven more wounded. The other three are still in prison.

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#90242u0114 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Baltimore - Acquired pitcher Brian Dubois on waivers from Detroit.

Chicago - Activated pitcher Rick Sutcliffe from 60-day disabled list; optioned pitcher Dave Pavlas to Iowa of American Association (AAA).

Houston - Activated first baseman Glenn Davis.

Montreal - Recalled outfielders Moises Alou and Rolando Roomes and pitcher Howard Farmer from Indianapolis of American Association (AAA).

New York (NL) - Placed shortstop Kevin Elster on 60-day disabled list.

Oakland - Acquired outfielder-designated hitter Harold Baines from Texas for two players to be named; optioned outfielder Dann Howitt to Tacoma of Pacific Coast League (AAA).

Philadelphia - Signed outfielder Lenny Dykstra to a 3-year contract.

Seattle - Signed free agent Ken Griffey Sr.; placed pitcher Mike Schooler on 15-day diabled list.

Texas - Placed pitcher Mike Jeffcoat on 15-day disabled list, retroactive to Aug. 21; activated pitcher Kevin Brown from 15-day disabled list; recalled outfielder Juan Gonzalez from Oklahoma City of the American Association (AAA).

Toronto - Optioned pitcher Rob Macdonald to Syracuse of the International League (AAA).

BASKETBALL

Cedar Rapids (CBA) - Named Steve Kahl assistant coach.

Charlotte - Named Tom Nissalke assistant coach.

Houston - President Ray Patterson retired, effective Sept. 1.

COLLEGE

Canisius - Named Raymond Hennessy assistant baseball coach.

Dartmouth - Named Mike Brass strength and conditioning coach and Steve Plisk his assistant.

Manhattan - Named Liam Frawley graduate assistant trainer.

Monmouth - Named Jeff Stapleton assistant director of athletics.

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Placed linebacker Galand Thaxton on injured reserve.

Cincinnati - Signed wide receiver Reggie Rembert.

Dallas - Acquired tight end Rob Awalt from Phoenix for 1991 draft pick; released defensive end Lybrant Robinson.

Detroit - Signed linebacker Jimmy Williams to a 1-year contract.

Indianapolis - Placed running back Eric Dickerson on non-football injury reserve list.

NY Jets - Waived cornerback Irvin Smith; activated center Jim Sweeney.

Philadelphia - Signed running back James Gray.

Phoenix - Traded tackle Mike Zandofsky to San Diego and tight end Rob Awalt to Dallas for draft picks.

San Diego - Waived wide receiver Elliott Searcy.

Hockey

New Jersey - Named Doug Sulliman assistant coach.

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#90242u0148 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) UPI - Despite its flaw, the Hubble Space Telescope has discovered an unusually dense galaxy that could contain a mysterious

black hole and an unexpected ring around an exploded star, NASA announced.

The new discoveries demonstrate the $1.5 billion telescope can perform valuable science until its embarrassing blurry vision can be corrected, NASA project scientist Edward Weiler said Wednesday.

''We've always talked about (the telescope) giving us discoveries and the unexpected. In terms of that, I think the dream is still alive,'' Weiler said at a news conference televised from the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md..

The telescope's wide-field planetary camera captured an image Aug. 17 of what was considered a ''rather boring'' galaxy located about 40 million light years away from Earth.

Astronomers were surprised to find the galaxy, known as NGC 7457, had a core that is the second most dense ever seen, said Tod Lauer of the National Optical Astronomy Observatory.

The core of the galaxy apparently contains at least 30,000 closely packed suns, which is 400 times denser than astronomers could tell from images taken by telescopes on Earth, Lauer said.

''This is vastly denser than we would have expected this galaxy to be,'' Lauer said. ''This is very interesting to me because it's a lot more concentrated than we would have expected these galaxies to be.''

Although the galaxy's core could contain a long-sought black hole, the scientists said it was premature to make that conclusion.

Black holes are formations astronomers theorize exist that contain a huge amount of mass compacted into an extremely small area, making its pull of gravity so strong that nothing, not even light, can escape.

''This image ... is certainly not inconsistent with a black hole. However it's not inconsistent with other explanations,'' Weiler said. But he added ''It's either a black hole or a place you would not want to live.''

On Aug. 23, the telescope's faint object camera took an image of supernova 1987a, a star that exploded about 160,000 light years from Earth in February 1987.

The image showed that the star was unexpectedly surrounded by a ring of hot material, said Duccio Macchetto of the European Space Agency, which built the camera.

''We knew that there should be some material around this star. But what we did not expect to see was a ring as we see here,'' he said. ''We have

found something that we didn't know was there.''

Nino Panagia of the European Space Agency said that in ''trying to make sense out of this beautiful image'' scientists believe the ring formed during the last 1 million years before the star exploded and was later compressed.

''In this one single image we have the complete evolution of that star in the last million years. That makes it very, very important,'' he said.

Officials plan to release more scientific data collected by the telescope on Sept. 19 at the Space Telescope Science Institute in Baltimore.

''Today's two images were appetizers and hopefully that will be the main course,'' Weiler said.

The telescope was expected to answer profound questions about the universe by peering deep into the univere with advanced optic system from a perch high above Earth's obscuring atmosphere.

But about a month after the long-awaited observatory was ferried into space in April, officials discovered one of its supposedly perfect mirrors was curved incorrectly, preventing sunlight from focusing sharply.

The defect, combined with other problems, triggered a storm of criticism against NASA, even though officials said it could still conduct valuable research and could be fixed when a camera is replaced in 1993.

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#90242u0153 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (AUG. 30) UPI - Ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto Wednesday accused the interim government of blackmailing her into renouncing politics, and said the government was trying to isolate her by setting up special courts as a witch hunt against her supporters.

''These courts are basically aimed at my husband and my other supporters '' she said. ''They are trying to blackmail me in the courts, but I won't be blackmailed.''

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan had announced the formation of special tribunals Tuesday to assess ''accountability'' of anyone that, in the opinion of the interim government, committed offenses that were ''shocking to public morality or had led to public outrage or created panic or an atmosphere of fear or anxiety.''

His presidential decree allows the interim government for the first time to prosecute people not elected to public office.

Benazir's businessman-husband, Asif Ali Zardari, has been widely accused of corruption by the caretaker government and it is thought he might be one of the first to be called before the new courts.

The courts appear ready to hear charges ranging from kidnapping and rape to forging documents or cheating. The presidential decree has also made it an offense to bring the courts into ''hatred or ridicule.''

Benazir claimed that the accountability process, ironically written into the constitution by her father, Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, was being made a pretext to suppress her supporters.

Bhutto's Pakistan Peoples Party criticized the actions of the president as ''illegal and unconstitutional'' when on Aug. 6 he sacked Bhutto's government and dissolved the National Assembly and appointed a caretaker government to run until elections scheduled for Oct. 24. The government has been criticized in the Pakistani press for its anti- Bhutto stance.

Many analysts are becoming convinced that the interim government will do anything to ensure that Bhutto does not contest the elections. Bhutto has accused the caretaker government, under Ghulam Mustfa Mustafa Jatoi, of trying to imprison her husband in an effort to isolate her.

Observers believe she would be very much alone without her husband. Her mother, a minister in Benazir's administration, has already left the country, traveling to London for an operation. Her brother Murtaza lives in exile in Syria, tried in absentia under martial law before Benazir came to power.

Another brother was poisoned mysteriously in France five years ago while her father was hanged by President Zia-ul Haq in 1979 for conspiring to murder a political opponent.

Furthermore, many workers from Benazir's Pakistan Peoples Party have been arrested in southern Sind province in the last two days. The Peshawar-based daily The Frontier Post Wednesday reported that police detained some relatives without warrants when they could not find the people they were looking for. None has yet been charged.

Jatoi's caretaker government is also having serious credibility problems among Western analysts. Jatoi himself has lost two seats in the past in his home constituency and he has appointed a Cabinet whose sole uniting feature is its hatred of Bhutto.

In fact, several former PPP leaders changed sides last week, prompting speculation among analysts that the interim government is offering money and land to encourage deserters from Bhutto's ranks.

The president's only answer to charges of horse trading was that ''horses were free to graze where they liked.''

Immediately after her ouster, even Benazir's physical safety was not secure for the first 24 hours after her ouster. In fact, she believed she was under house arrest. Troops surrounded her official residence and movement in and out was curtailed. Even her kitchen staff were ordered home by military personnel, forcing her to order food from a nearby hotel.

There was also a fear that her name had been placed on the exit control list, preventing her from leaving the country.

Minister of Information Syeda Abida Hussain Tuesday denied accusations that Bhutto was being hounded by the interim government.

''She has had complete freedom of movement and speech and has had every occasion to meet members of the national and international press,'' Hussain said.

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#90242u0189 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - A report says the C-I-A and other U-S military special forces are aiding the Kuwaiti resistance against Iraqi forces in occupied Kuwait. Intelligence sources are quoted as saying resistance forces almost every day ambush Iraqi convoys carrying troops and supplies and attack storage facilities. One Pentagon official describes the resistance as a force of a few thousand Kuwaiti soldiers who escaped to Saudi Arabia just ahead of the Iraqi invasion four weeks ago.

Lockheed unveiled its version of the next generation of supersonic fighters Wednesday at its flight test facilities in Palmdale, California. Its chairman used the ceremony to whip up support for the 70-BILLION-dollar program by invoking the Mideast crisis. A team made up of Lockheed, Boeing and General Dynamics is competing with a Northrup-McDonnell Douglas team for a contract to build 750 Advanced Tactical Fighters for the Air Force. The planes would replace the F16 fighters... both of which have been sent to Saudi Arabia in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Red Cross officials say 85 people in the earthquake-ravaged northern Philippines have died in the past four days in floods and landslides triggered by heavy rains. Another 15-hundred people were left homeless when 250 villages along Dalton Pass, 110 miles north of Manila, were washed away. The rain was spawned by Typhoon Abe as it swirled in the Pacific Ocean toward Japan.

The gung-ho crew of the shuttle Columbia returned to Cape Canaveral, Florida, Wednesday night as final preparations continued toward Saturday's scheduled pre-dawn blast-off. The planned 10-day astronomy mission came within hours of launch May 29th... only to be grounded by a hydrogen fuel leak. The flight is the fourth of 1990 and the first since April.

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#90242u0190 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - A task force of more than 100 law officers are working to solve the string of college student murders that have terrorized the University of Florida community in Gainesville. Police theorize the killer who stabbed and blungeoned five students to death since late last week sought out dark-haired petite young women. They also feel he knew his victims and forced his way into their apartments. The F-B-I is working on a psychological profile of the killer.

Researchers in the forests of the Pacific Northwest, counting the number of northern spotted owls, have stumbled upon a possible new complication in the fight to save the endangered species. They say the birds may be mating with their more common cousins, the barred owl- producing a hybrid that the biologists call a ''sparred owl.'' Scientists AREN'T sure whether the cross-breeding is merely a quirk of nature or a potential genetic threat to the spotted owl.

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#90242u0223 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AUG. 30) UPI - Working around the clock, engineers sailed through the repaired shuttle Columbia's smooth-ticking countdown Thursday with the ship's gung-ho crew looking forward to a long-delayed predawn blastoff Saturday.

''We're just as enthusiastic as we ever were about having an absolutely first-class, state-of-the art scientific mission and we hope to come back having seen some things that nobody's ever seen before,'' said astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman of the crew's planned 10-day astronomy mission.

Hoffman and his six crewmates flew to Florida Wednesday night for final preparations, and veteran shuttle skipper Vance Brand said his team was eager to finally take off after coming within hours of launch May 29 only to be grounded by a hydrogen fuel leak.

''It's great to be back again!'' he told reporters at the shuttle landing strip Wednesday night. ''We've been waiting all summer (and) we're just more than happy to be back again. We know we're going this time.''

Liftoff of the 36th shuttle mission, the fourth of 1990 and the first

since April, is scheduled for 1:17 a.m. Saturday and Air Force meteorologists predict a 60 percent chance of acceptable conditions at launch time.

Brand, 59, Hoffman, 45, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44 Robert Parker, 53, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46, plan to spend the next two days boning up on their busy flight plans and making final preparations for launch.

Once in orbit, the astronauts will work around the clock in two shifts training a battery of high-tech telescopes on planets, stars and galaxies to study high-energy light that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

Columbia's countdown began on time at 1 a.m. Wednesday, and work at launch pad 39A has proceeded smoothly toward liftoff.

Engineers checked out critical main engine computers Wednesday and closed out the shuttle's engine room before work Thursday to pump hydrogen and oxygen aboard Columbia to power its electricity-producing fuel cells.

Launch originally was scheduled for May 30, but just a few hours before blastoff, sensors detected hydrogen gas spewing into Columbia's engine compartment and NASA managers reluctantly put the flight on hold.

Subsequent tests traced the leak to the shuttle's 17-inch-wide fuel line ''disconnect'' fitting, a massive connector between the shuttle and its external tank that allows the tank to be jettisoned in space.

It now appears that tiny glass beads that somehow got into the fitting scratched critical seals, allowing explosive hydrogen to leak out during fueling operations.

The disconnect fitting was replaced with one taken from the new shuttle Endeavour and, after the shuttle Atlantis was grounded by a similar leak, Columbia was cleared for a second launch attempt Saturday.

Unlike the Hubble Space Telescope, launched from Discovery April 25 during the most recent previous shuttle flight, the ''Astro'' telescopes aboard Columbia will remain mounted in the shuttle's payload bay throughout the flight.

And while the instruments aboard Columbia are far more modest than the $1.5 billion Hubble, they are expected to give scientists on Earth critical insights into the nature of energetic quasars, possible black holes, the fiery hearts of active galaxies and other high-energy astronomical enigmas.

To collect as much data as possible, Columbia's crew will work in two

12-hour shifts throughout the flight with Brand, Gardner and Lounge responsible for keeping the shuttle shipshape and pointed in the right direction. The telescopes will be operated by Parker, Hoffman, Parise and Durrance.

Parise and Durrance are the first non-professional astronauts to fly on the shuttle since satellite engineer Gregory Jarvis and New Hampshire school teacher Christa McAuliffe blasted off aboard Challenger Jan. 28, 1986, for what turned out to be its final voyage.

Like Challenger, NASA's oldest shuttle will be making its 10th flight and at 59, Brand, veteran of three previous space missions, will become the oldest person to fly in space and only the sixth to blast off four times.

Along with accomplishing the primary goal of the mission - turning Columbia into an operational observatory - the shuttle fliers also plan to participate in a NASA educational pilot program, teaching an astronomy lesson from space that will be beamed into middle school classrooms back on Earth.

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#90242u0226 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 30) UPI - Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar's meeting in Jordan Thursday with Iraq's foreign minister will be the United Nations' first diplomatic move to try peacefully solving the Persian Gulf crisis.

The meeting with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz in Amman was hailed by the the U.N. Security Council's 15 member states as timely and helpful while American troops and heavy war equipment landed in Saudi Arabia and war threatens the Middle East.

The situation in the gulf, aggravated by gradual Iraqi action to take over Kuwait and its oil fields since the Aug. 2 invasion, is so bleak that U.N. officials said anything Perez de Cuellar can bring back, save a war, is welcome.

By going to Jordan to meet Aziz, Perez de Cuellar dramatically emphasized the need for a peaceful settlement and abruptly shifted the dangerous military confrontation to the negotiating table.

His move surprised many governments. President Bush said he could not foresee any non-military solution to the crisis. Perez de Cuellar retorted by saying he hoped Bush will not undermine his mission.

U.N. officials said Perez de Cuellar took a ''calculated risk'' by meeting with Aziz, whom he has known for many years during the negotiations

leading to the cease-fire in the 1980-88 war between Iran and Iraq.

Perez de Cuellar is facing his toughest mission. If his efforts succeed, it will be the culmination of a career that has lasted 50 years - the last 8 1/2 as U.N. secretary-general.

But it would also mean protracted peace negotiations that may last years, keeping the U.S.-led multinational force in the Persian Gulf indefinitely and the world economy in perpetual turmoil because of diminished oil production and a trade embargo that is hurting scores of countries as well as Iraq.

If he failed, he would not be blamed for trying considering tough demands Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has put forward, backed by his strong armed forces and the threat of chemical weapons.

Clovis Maksoud, the permanent representative of the Arab League at the United Nations, said the announcement of the Amman meeting has somewhat lowered tension and has ''already prevented a collision ''ension

Maksoud called Perez de Cuellar the ''world's conscience.''

''He should insist on carrying out Security Council resolutions and securing peace'' when he talks with Aziz, Maksoud said.

Malaysian Deputy Ambassador Redzuan Kushairi, whose country is a member of the Security Council, said the meeting is ''timely.''

''It is the most difficult mission for the secretary-general, and we do not expect him to produce a miracle,'' Redzuan said.

To skeptics who questioned his move, Perez de Cuellar said he never used the word ''optimistic'' or ''pessimistic'' before engaging in a difficult mission. He said he was always ''hopeful.''

''I am hopeful because I cannot imagine a human being not wanting peace,'' he said.

Since announcing his peace initiative Sunday, Perez de Cuellar appeared in major American television networks promoting peace talks for the gulf crisis. He subtly reminded countries that have deployed naval forces in the gulf that a full-scale blockade has not been allowed by the Security Council and to do so would undermine his talks with Aziz.

The council authorized limited military enforcement of the trade embargo on Iraq as that country defied U.N. calls to withdraw its more than 100,000 troops from Kuwait.

The 70-year-old Peruvian diplomat has been successful in past years in negotiating the cease-fire between Iran and Iraq and the complete withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan in Feb. 15, 1989. He was also personnally involved in other negotiations in Central America and southern Africa.

''I decided to take this initiative on my own,'' Perez de Cuellar said this week after presenting his plan to the Security Council, emphasizing the fragility of his mission.

Since the Aug. 2 invasion, the Security Council has adopted five resolutions, first condemning Iraq and demanding its withdrawal from Kuwait. As Iraq refused, the council imposed stringent trade and military sanctions to force it to comply with the demand.

The council then declared the annexation of Kuwait ''null and void,'' demanded the freedom for foreigners in Kuwait and Iraq and authorized military enforcement of the embargo.

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(AUG. 30) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Harris 2b	3	0	0	0	Dykstra cf	4	0	1	0
Samuel 2b	3	1	0	1	Boever p	0	0	0	0
Gwynn lf	5	2	2	5	Daulton c	4	0	0	0
Gibson cf	5	2	3	0	VHayes lf	4	1	1	0
Gonzalez cf	0	0	0	0	Murphy rf	4	1	1	2
Murray 1b	4	0	2	0	CMartinez 1b	3	0	1	0
Brooks rf	4	3	3	1	Herr 2b	3	0	0	0
Scioscia c	2	2	1	2	CHayes 3b	3	0	0	0
Dempsey c	1	0	0	0	Thon ss	3	0	1	0
Sharpersn 3b	4	0	1	0	Greene p	0	0	0	0
Griffin ss	3	1	1	0	Cook p	2	0	0	0
Crews p	1	0	0	0	Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0
Valenzuela p	2	0	1	0	Carman p	0	0	0	0
Hatcher ph	1	1	1	1	Hollins ph	1	0	0	0
Offerman ss	1	0	0	0	Campusan cf	0	0	0	0
Totals	40	12	15	10	Totals	31	2	5	2

Los Angeles	120 008 010-	12
Philadelphia	000 200 000-	2

E-CHayes 2. DP-Los Angeles 1, Philadelphia 1. LOB-Los Angeles 7, Philadelphia 2. 2B-Brooks 2, Valenzuela, CMartinez, Murray, Gibson 2.

HR-Gwynn 2 (5), Scioscia (11), Murphy (19). S-Sharperson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Valenzuela (W 12-10)	5	5	2	2	0	2
Crews (S 5)	4	0	0	0	0	2
Philadelphia						
Greene (L 1-2)	2	4	3	3	0	0
Cook	3 1-3	5	4	4	3	0
Akerfelds	0	2	3	1	0	0
Carman	2 2-3	4	2	1	0	1
Boever	1	0	0	0	1	1

HBP-by Carman (Scioscia). T-2:30. A-18,545.

Umpires-Home, West; 1b, Hallion; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Wendelstedt.

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Redus 1b	2	1	1	0	LSmith lf	2	0	0	0
Bream 1b	1	0	1	0	Treadway 2b	3	0	0	0
Bell ss	4	3	2	1	Luecken p	0	0	0	0
Van Slyke cf	2	2	0	0	Gant cf	2	0	0	0
Bonilla rf	2	2	1	1	Justice rf	2	0	0	0
Bonds lf	4	1	3	5	Gregg 1b	2	0	1	0
King 3b	2	0	1	3	Presley 3b	2	0	0	0
Slaught c	2	0	1	0	Whitt c	2	0	0	0
Lind 2b	3	0	0	0	Thomas ss	2	0	0	0
Drabek p	3	1	1	0	Avery p	1	0	1	0
					Castillo p	0	0	0	0
					McDowell ph	1	0	0	0
					Lemke 2b	0	0	0	0
10 11 10 Totals	19	0	2	0	Totals	25			

Pittsburgh	000 303 4-	10
Atlanta	000 000 x-	0

E-Presley. DP-Atlanta 1. LOB-Pittsburgh 3, Atlanta 2. 2B-Bonds. SF-Bonilla King 2.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Drabek (W 17-5)	6	2	0	0	0	5

Atlanta

Avery (L 3-8)	5	5	5	5	3	6
Castillo	1	2	1	1	0	0
Luecken	2-3	4	4	4	1	1

Avery pitched to 1 batter in the 6th.

HBP-by Avery (Slaught), by Drabek (LSmith). WP-Luecken. PB-Whitt. T-2:11.
A-5,403.

Umpires-Home, Crawford; 1b, Harvey; 2b, DeMuth; 3b, Gregg.

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	4	0	0	1	DeShields 2b	5	0	2	0
Kingery rf	3	0	1	0	DMartinez cf	5	1	1	0
Litton rf	1	0	0	0	Raines lf	5	1	1	0
Clark 1b	4	1	1	0	Wallach 3b	4	1	1	1
Mitchell lf	4	2	2	3	Walker rf	4	2	3	3
Williams 3b	4	0	0	0	Galarraga 1b	4	0	1	0
Kennedy c	2	0	0	0	Goff c	3	0	1	1
Carter c	2	0	0	0	Owen ss	4	0	0	0
Thompson 2b	3	2	1	1	JMartinez p	3	0	1	0
Benjamin ss	4	1	2	1	Ruskin p	0	0	0	0
Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0	Frey p	0	0	0	0
Downs p	1	0	0	0	Aldrete ph	0	0	0	0
Robinson ph	1	0	0	0	Nixon pr	0	0	0	0
Brantley p	0	0	0	0	Sampen p	0	0	0	0
Uribe ss	0	0	0	0					
Totals	33	6	7	6	Totals	37	5	11	5

San Francisco	002	002	002-	6
Montreal	300	020	000-	5

E-Downs, Williams. LOB-San Francisco 2, Montreal 7. 2B-DMartinez,
Benjamin. HR-Walker (16), Mitchell 2 (30), Thompson (13). SB-Galarraga (5)
Raines (39), DeShields (34). S-Downs.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Downs	6	11	5	5	1	5
Brantley (W 5-3)	2	0	0	0	1	3
Bedrosian (S 10)	1	0	0	0	0	0
Montreal						
JMartinez	6	4	4	4	0	1
Ruskin	1	1	0	0	0	0
Frey	1	0	0	0	0	1

Sampen (L 10-5) 1 2 2 2 0 1

HBP-by JMartinez (Thompson). T-2:37. A-14,029.

Umpires-Home, Quick; 1b, Rennert; 2b, Bonin; 3b, Tata.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts ss	4	0	1	1	Boston cf	5	0	1	1
Alomar 2b	4	0	0	0	Magadan 1b	3	0	1	0
Gwynn rf	4	0	1	0	Jefferies 3b	4	0	3	0
Carter lf	3	0	0	0	Strawbrry rf	4	0	0	0
Santiago c	4	0	0	0	McReynlds lf	4	0	0	0
Stephensn 1b	3	0	0	0	Johnson ss	3	2	2	0
Pagliarulo 3b	2	0	0	0	Teufel 2b	3	0	0	0
Abner cf	2	1	1	0	Sasser c	3	0	0	0
Benes p	2	0	0	0	Hundley c	0	0	0	0
Templetn ph	1	0	1	0	Gooden p	2	0	0	0
Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0	O'Malley ph	1	0	1	1
Harris p	0	0	0	0	Carr pr	0	0	0	0
Lefferts p	0	0	0	0	Ojeda p	0	0	0	0
					Torve ph	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	2	8	2	Totals	29	1	4	1

San Diego 001 000 000- 1
New York 000 000 101- 2

E-Santiago. LOB-San Diego 4, New York 10. 2B-Abner. SB-Roberts (34), Johnson (28), Carr (1), Magadan (2). S-Abner, Teufel.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Benes	7	5	1	1	2	2
Rodriguez	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Harris (L 7-6)	2-3	1	1	1	2	1
Lefferts	0	1	0	0	0	0
New York						
Gooden	7	3	1	1	1	8
Ojeda (W 7-5)	2	1	0	0	1	1

Balk-Gooden. T-2:55. A-30,020.

Umpires-Home, Pulli; 1b, Rippley; 2b, Darling; 3b, Froemming.

#90242u0296 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

PLAINFIELD, Ill. (AUG. 30) UPI - With the last of the missing accounted for, victims of a deadly tornado in northern Illinois turned their attention toward repairing their shattered lives and protecting what was left of their homes.

''We are satisfied that we located all the people,'' Police Chief D.E. Bennett said late Wednesday night.

The death toll from the storm stood at 24 and of the nearly 350 injured, 70 remained hospitalized Wednesday night - 11 of them in critical condition, area hospitals reported.

Gov. James R. Thompson declared Will County a state disaster area and President Bush issued a federal disaster declaration later in the day.

''In 14 years in this job, I've seen a lot of natural disasters - tornadoes, winds, snow, blizzards and hail, floods. Nothing in my personal experience in 14 years compared with this devastation,'' Thompson said after touring Plainfield.

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The storm struck at mid-afternoon Tuesday, destroying Plainfield High School, a church and countless homes before heading for Crest Hill and an apartment complex. The storm also struck near Louis-Joliet Mall.

Among the dead were a nun trapped in a school where she worked as principal, three employees of Plainfield High School and several residents of the apartment complex ripped open by the sudden storm.

The National Weather Service said it was unclear whether the destruction was caused by one tornado or several but that the majority of the damage was caused by one powerful storm.

The weather service acknowledged that it issued no tornado watch before the storm hit and that the first warning was issued six minutes after the tornado destroyed the apartment complex.

No warning sirens sounded prior to the disaster in Plainfield or Crest Hill, although Will County Sheriff John Johnsen said he heard the Joliet siren.

The emphasis Wednesday night was on security. Police from more than two dozen counties, state police, National Guardsmen and Chicago Park district security personnel helped Will County authorities patrol tornado-ravaged areas to discourage looters.

Will County Executive Charles Adelman said the outpouring of support from the surrounding area was so heavy, many volunteers were being turned away.

Hundreds of people answered the urgent call for blood and waited in hours-long lines throughout the day to donate, area officials reported.

The Salvation Army and Red Cross opened shelters throughout the area and offered food, bedding and clothes to the victims.

''We're getting just hundreds and hundreds of calls from people as far away as Iowa offering time, food and generators,'' said Salvation Army spokesman Robert Cotner. ''It's really incredible.''

The Soviet Union, which received help from Illinoisans during the Armenian earthquake in December 1988, offered its assistance to victims of Tuesday's tornado.

A Soviet Embassy official in Washington called Illinois' office in Washington and said they wanted damage and homeless figures so they could lend a hand.

''When the Armenian earthquake went down, Illinois sent a substantial amount of aid to the Soviet Union and they want to reciprocate in some way '' said Tim Leonetti, legislative liaison for the Illinois Emergency Services and Disaster Agency.

Numerous corporations answered the call for help sending cash donations, soft drinks, food, clothing, paper products and even offering hotel accomodations to the homeless.

Ham radio operators set up stations throughout the area where all communication has been virtually shut down. A total 200 telephone technicians worked through the night and were to be joined by an additional 100 Thursday morning, said Illinois Bell spokesman Geoff Potter.

''We hope to have everyone back in service by Sunday,'' Potter said.

A telephone terminal that handled 2,500 Plainfield lines was uprooted by the storm and was still missing, Potter said.

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#90242u0314 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar tries a diplomatic approach today to solve the Persian Gulf crisis. He will go to Jordan to meet with

Iraq's foreign minister. President Bush says he can NOT foresee any NON-military solution. U-N officials call Perez de Cuellar's trip a ''calculated risk.''

The two most powerful men in the Soviet Union have agreed to put aside their differences for the sake of their nation. President Mikhail Gorbachev and Russian leader Boris Yeltsin pledged to work together in the face of severe economic and political problems facing the Soviet Union.

The seven astronauts who will be on the shuttle Columbia's flight flew to the spaceport at Cape Canaveral, Florida, last night. Launch is set for Saturday morning. Shuttle commander Vance Brand said- ''It's great to be back again.'' In May, the shuttle was close to takeoff when tecnicians found a fuel leak and grounded it.

A homeless man was killed in Manhattan last night when a subway grating collapsed. Police say he was sitting on the grating when it fell and he was pinned down by a compressor. Two other homeless people were injured, one critically. The accident happened near Penn Station in an area frequented by indigent people.

Police say an 82-year-old man killed his seriously ill 80-year-old wife in Winona, Minnesota, and then killed himself yesterday. Police say Raymond Harbrecht walked into the hospital and chatted briefly with nurses. When he went into his wife's room, the nurses heard two shots.

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#90242u0320 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - The standoff between Canada's government and Mohawk Indians ended peacefully yesterday as the Indians and army troops both removed barricades at reservations. Traffic was rerouted during the dispute because a barricade cut off a major bridge to Montreal. A final solution to the problem is still being negotiated.

The Philippines Red Cross says landslides in the past few days have killed 85 people in the northern Philippines. 250 houses were washed away, leaving 15-hundred people homeless. The landslides were caused by a week of heavy rains spawned by a typhoon. The area also was rocked by an earthquake last month.

Abortion is the last issue standing in the way of the two Germanys becoming one. They agree that for a time after unification on October 3rd, West Germany will continue to outlaw abortion and East Germany will continue to allow it. The question is what policy should be permanent. Negotiations continue tonight.

Former President and Mrs. Reagan visited the Mayo Clinic in Rochester,

Minnesota, yesterday for physical examinations. A small piece of cancerous skin was found near Mrs. Reagan's nose and a plastic surgeon removed it. The Reagans are to return to their home in California today.

Three fans rushed the stage during the taping of last night's ''Into the Night'' television show in Los Angeles, prompting a guard to draw his gun. A stagehand then tackled the guard and said- ''don't shoot.'' NObody was hurt. The British rock band the Mission/U-K was performing at the time.

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#90242u0522 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein denies that secret negotiations are going on for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait. In a broadcast interview, Saddam repeated his insistence that Kuwait is part of Iraq. A White House source said a former senior administration official brought a proposal from Iraq. A Long Island newspaper said Iraq offered to withdraw if the economic sanctions are lifted and Iraq regains access to the Persian Gulf.

Five people were shot to death today in a condominium complex in Sydney, Australia. Police say a man went berserk and shot them at close range. A suspect in his early 20's was arrested. The police say he was related to one of the victims. The victims were three men an a psychological profile. Criminologists speculate the killer is white, older than his victims and has a history of violence. Four young women and one young man have been stabbed or beaten to death in Gainesville. Two people were found dead yesterday 20 miles east, but police do NOT believe their deaths are connected to the Gainesville murders.

A federal appeals court panel has upheld a death sentence for Robert Alton Harris, who was convicted of killing two 16-year-old boys so he could use their car for a bank robbery. Harris was 12 hours from dying in California's gas chamber in April when he received a stay of execution. The sentence still can be overturned by the full appeals court or by the Supreme Court. The defense wants a hearing to consider whether psychiatrists who testified at Harris's trial were competent.

-30- 1713

#90242u0569 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein denied secret negotiations were under way for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait, adding his nation had no intention of withdrawing from the oil-rich emirate Baghdad invaded four weeks ago.

A White House source said Wednesday that national security adviser Brent Scowcroft met with a former senior administration official who carried one

of many back-channel proposals from Iraq along the lines of one reported in the Long Island, N.Y., newspaper Newsday.

Under the proposal, Iraq reportedly said it would be willing to withdraw from Kuwait if U.N.-mandated economic sanctions were lifted and Iraq regained access to the strategic Persian Gulf.

Saddam, in an interview broadcast Wednesday by CBS News, flatly denied there were behind-the-scenes negotiations under way toward an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2 in a land and oil dispute.

He said his country has no intention of pulling out of Kuwait and he has not sent out any peace feelers to the West.

''Kuwait is part of Iraq,'' Saddam said through an interpreter. ''We have said this, and the legislative bodies in Iraq have issued a clear decree ... saying that Kuwait is an Iraqi province.''

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar left for Jordan for a scheduled meeting Thursday with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz, and former presidential candidate Jesse Jackson arrived in Baghdad and was expected to meet senior Iraqi leaders, Baghdad Radio said.

Diplomacy aside, the U.S.-led military buildup continued in an effort to protect Saudi Arabia from tens of thousands of Iraqi troops posted near the Saudi border. Pakistan said it would send 2,000 troops to Saudi Arabia Thursday for the defense of Islamic sites in the kingdom. Their arrival will be the first military participation in the crisis by a non-Arab Moslem nation.

Military experts estimate Iraq has slightly less than 1 million fighting men at its disposal facing 50,000 U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia, 70,000 Saudi forces and 7,000 other Arab troops.

NBC News reported Wednesday the Kuwaiti resistance, supported by the CIA and other U.S. military special forces, has made daily guerrilla raids into Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Quoting intelligence sources, the network reported that almost every day resistance forces have ambushed Iraqi convoys carrying troops and supplies and attacked storage facilities.

NBC reported that Kuwaiti and Saudi leaders are funding the secret operation, but the CIA is providing organization and intelligence, maps, special weapons and target selection guidance.

Sources told NBC that the Green Berets were offering some assistance, mostly weapons instruction and infiltration tactics. Sources said no U.S.

troops were involved in the raids.

In Washington, the State Department said Wednesday it received instructions about arrangements for the release from Iraq and Kuwait of American women and children through the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, but cautioned there was still no certainty they would be allowed to leave.

Saddam said Tuesday all foreign women and children, including an estimated 1,000 American women and children in Iraq and occupied Kuwait, would be allowed to leave beginning Wednesday.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said the United States will provide a list of the Americans as soon as possible, but it was not known how long it will take to process the exit visas Iraq said was required by each woman and child. Tutwiler also said Iraq's response to a request for 15 medical hardship cases to leave was an offer of examinations and medicine.

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#90242u0588 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Despite blasting the first grand slam of his career, Chris Gwynn experienced a brief moment of deja vu.

Gwynn's homer helped Los Angeles take an 11-2 lead over Philadelphia in the sixth inning Wednesday night, similar to the 11-3 advantage the Dodgers blew August 21 when the Phillies scored nine in the ninth for the victory.

''It crossed my mind briefly when we were up by so many runs but I never thought about it again,'' said Gwynn, who also hit a solo home run and knocked in five runs. ''I figured we'd just close this one out, go home and try to win another one (Thursday).''

The Dodgers had no problem maintaining their lead Wednesday night, defeating the Phillies by a comfortable 12-2 margin.

Gwynn also reached a second milestone, slamming two homers in one game for the first time in his career. Gwynn's solo home run in the first inning off Phillies starter Tommy Greene, 1-2, put the Dodgers up 1-0.

''Home runs just happen,'' said Gwynn, who was making only his third start since June 24 because of Kal Daniels' back injury. ''I'm just happy to hit the ball hard. When you get a chance to play you want to do something.

''I've never hit a grand slam in my life. Ever. I've never hit two home runs in one game. Never.''

Fernando Valenzuela, 12-10, gave up five hits and two runs in five innings to win his third straight start and hand the Phillies their seventh loss in eight games.

Reliever Tim Crews followed with four perfect innings to keep the Phillies at bay.

The victory, coupled with Cincinnati's 7-1 loss to St. Louis, moved the second-place Dodgers within 5 1-5 games of the first-place Reds in the National League West.

The Dodgers broke open the game with an eight-run sixth inning off three Philadelphia pitchers.

''We're not doing fundamental things very well and a major-league team shouldn't be like that,'' Phillies manager Nick Leyva said. ''I'll take the blame. It was a bad performance and I'm tired of looking at ''lam

Elsewhere in the National League, San Francisco edged Montreal 6-5, New York dropped San Diego 2-1, St. Louis pounded Cincinnati 9-1, Pittsburgh blanked Atlanta 10-0 in seven, and Houston shutout Chicago 1- 0.

In the American League it was: Toronto 7, Milwaukee 3; Boston 7, Cleveland 1; New York 3, Baltimore 2; Minnesota 6, Chicago 1; Detroit 4, Seattle 2; Kansas City 6, Oakland 0; and California 9, Texas 2.

Giants 6, Expos 5

At Montreal, Robby Thompson's solo homer with two outs in the ninth inning following Kevin Mitchell's second home run of the game, rallied San Francisco. The Giants entered the ninth trailing 5-4 and grabbed the victory with Thompson's 13th homer off loser Bill Sampen, 10-5. Jeff Brantley, 5-3, worked two hitless innings of relief for the win. Sampen, 10-5, allowed both ninth-inning homers and struck out one.

Mets 2, Padres 1

At New York, Daryl Boston singled home Howard Johnson with one out in the ninth inning lifting New York. The victory kept the Mets two games behind the Pittsburgh Pirates in the National League East. Johnson led off the ninth with a single off reliever Greg Harris, 7-6. Bob Ojeda, 7-5, picked up the win with two innings of one-hit relief.

Cardinals 9, Reds 1

At Cincinnati, Bob Tewksbury tossed a six-hitter to lead St. Louis. Tewksbury, 9-4, lost his shutout in the eighth inning when Chris Sabo hit his 23rd homer of the year. Tom Browning, making his first start since

Aug. 17, allowed seven runs and 10 hits over 7 2-3 innings.

Pirates 10, Braves 0, 7 innings

At Atlanta, Barry Bonds drove in five runs to back the two-hit pitching of Doug Drabek and pace Pittsburgh in a game stopped in the seventh inning because of rain. Drabek improved to 17-5, walking none and striking out five. The loss snapped a four-game losing streak for the Pirates. Drabek is now 10-2 following a Pirate loss this season.

Astros 1, Cubs 0

At Houston, Mark Portugal scattered eight hits over seven innings and the Houston Astros spoiled Rick Sutcliffe's return with a 1-0 victory. Portugal, 8-9, tied a season-high with nine strikeouts in recording the win. Sutcliffe, 0-1, making his first start since Oct. 1, 1989, gave up only two hits and one earned run over five innings. He struck out two and walked three before being lifted in the sixth.

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#90242u0590 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (AUG. 30) UPI - The stock market greeted a long-expected rise in the key interest rate Thursday with a rally that boosted share prices 3 percent.

The market's leading indicator, the 225-issue Nikkei average, shot up 775.17 points in active trading to 25,669.96. The rise represented a 3.0 percent gain for the Nikkei, which had fallen 815.97 points the day before.

The broader Tokyo Stock Price Index moved up 44.60 points to 1,956.02. TOPIX shed 36.09 points Wednesday.

An estimated 530 million shares were traded, up from 430.24 million the day before.

The market's apparently perverse reaction to the 0.75 percentage point rise in the nation's official discount rate, now 6.0 percent, was actually one of relief, brokers said.

Investors became convinced Wednesday that the Bank of Japan's key rate would go up and consequently the market plunged 3.2 percent.

When the announcement came Thursday morning, it was less than many people had feared, prompting a rally.

''For the time being, as far as interest rates are concerned, all negatives are out,'' said analyst Yutaka Nakai of Daiwa Securities.

Individual investors led the charge, Nakai said, buying heavily in nearly all sectors.

In addition to relief that the interest rate decision was finally over, investors were spurred on by hopeful signs in the Middle East, brokers said.

News that Iraq planned to release all women and children from among its foreign hostages was particularly encouraging, they said.

But institutional investors hung back, especially after a remark by Bank of Japan's governor, Yashushi Mieno, suggested to the market that Middle East events could cause the central bank to consider yet another rate hike down the line.

But the institutions' absence was more than made up for by individuals and arbitrageurs, who were buying heavily in the market, brokers said.

Among small investors, there was growing confidence that the market had bottomed out, brokers said.

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#90242u0591 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - The Blue Jays, pardon the expression, killed two birds with one stone.

Tony Fernandez hit Toronto's first home run in 11 games Wednesday and the Blue Jays snapped a five-game losing streak while defeating the Milwaukee Brewers 7-3.

''The Jays are not going to be blanked forever,'' Milwaukee pitcher Mark Knudson said. ''I don't think that anybody doubts Toronto being a more talented ball club than we think we are, but Boston is playing with more heart than most teams in this division.''

Toronto, which was shut out three straight times by the Red Sox over the weekend, remained six games behind the division leaders, who captured their sixth straight. The Blue Jays will hit the road for the next six games.

''It's very important to leave on a positive note,'' Blue Jays Manager Cito Gaston said. ''We had a bad weekend, but a really good day today and hopefully, we can continue successfully.''

Toronto had gone a club record 385 at-bats without a home run before Fernandez homered to cap Toronto's five-run fourth inning.

Greg Myers opened the fourth off Knudson, 10-7, with a single and Junior Felix doubled him to third. Manny Lee followed with a two-run single and advanced to second on the throw home.

Glenallen Hill struck out and Mookie Wison singled Lee to third. Fernandez then blasted his third home run, off reliever Paul Mirabella, to give Toronto a 7-1 lead.

''It's kind of amazing, (Fernandez) is hitting .216 against left- handed pitchers,'' Brewers Manager Tom Trebelhorn said. ''He hasn't hit a home run batting right-handed all season and he drops the right-field wall for three.''

Elsewhere in the American League: Boston clubbed Cleveland 7-1, New York nipped Baltimore 3-2, Minnesota slugged Chicago 6-1, Detroit edged Seattle 4-2, Kansas City blanked Oakland 6-0, and California bombed Texas 9-2.

In the National League, it was: San Francisco 6, Montreal 5; New York 2, San Diego 1; Los Angeles 12, Philadelphia 2; St. Louis 9, Cincinnati 1; Pittsburgh 10, Atlanta 0; Houston 1, Chicago 0.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Red Sox 7, Indians 1

At Cleveland, Ellis Burks drove in two runs with a home run and sacrifice fly and Dana Kiecker hurled seven scoreless innings to lead Boston to its sixth straight victory. The win moved the Red Sox 15 games above .500 for the first time this year and allowed them to maintain their six-game lead over Toronto in the A.L. East.

Yankees 3, Orioles 2

At Baltimore, Matt Nokes and Kevin Maas hit back-to-back home runs in the sixth inning, powering the New York Yankees to their fourth straight victory.Tim Leary, 8-16, got the win. Dave Righetti pitched the ninth for his 29th save. Anthony Telford, 1-1, took the loss.

Twins 6, White Sox 1

At Minneapolis, Greg Gagne homered, doubled and stole three bases - including home - and Mark Guthrie pitched a five-hitter. Chicago, who committed five errors, dropped its fifth-straight game and third straight to Minnesota.Guthrie, 5-7, earned his first major-league complete-game victory.

Tigers 4, Mariners 2

At Seattle, Cecil Fielder hit his major league-leading 42nd home run and Walt Terrell allowed five hits over 7 1-3 innings. Terrell, 3-2, got the win. Jerry Don Gleaton worked the final 1 2-3 for his ninth save. Matt Young, 6-14, took the loss.

Royals 6, Athletics 0

At Oakland, Calif., Kevin Appier fired a four-hit shutout and Bo Jackson drove in four runs. Appier, 11-4, carried a no-hitter through 5 2-3 innings before Rickey Henderson beat out an infield single to shortstop in the sixth. Appier posted his third shutout and complete game of the year.

Angels 9, Rangers 2

At Anaheim, Calif., Lance Parrish drilled a three-run homer to cap California's seven-run outburst in the seventh inning to help the Angels complete a three-game series sweep. Jim Abbott, 9-12, was the winner. John Barfield, 3-2, took the loss.

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(AUG. 30) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

Batting

(Minimum 330 at-bats)

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	390	92	126	.323
Brett, KC	451	70	143	.317
Palmeiro, Tex	474	58	150	.316
Trammell, Det	478	64	151	.316
Boggs, Bos	500	72	154	.308
JoReed, Bos	471	57	145	.308
Harper, Min	391	52	120	.307
Griffey, Sea	500	76	153	.306
CJames, Cle	427	51	130	.304
Parker, Mil	490	60	149	.304

National League	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	471	90	160	.340
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Magadan, NY	345	56	115	.333
Dawson, Chi	416	54	130	.313
Gwynn, SD	509	68	159	.312

Murray, LA	439	73	137	.312
Bonds, Pit	416	88	129	.310
Grace, Chi	467	55	144	.308
Mitchell, SF	431	77	132	.306
Wallach Mon	494	53	150	.304

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 42; Canseco, Oak 35; McGwire, Oak 33; McGriff, Tor 28; Deer, Mil 26.

National League - Mitchell, SF, Bonilla, Pit and Sandberg, Chi 30; Strawberry, NY 28; Williams, SF 26; Bonds, Pit 25.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 109; Canseco, Oak 88; McGwire, Oak and Gruber, Tor 86; Parker, Mil 85; Sierra, Tex 79.

National League - Williams, SF, Bonds, Pit and Carter, SD 97; Bonilla, Pit 91; Strawberry, NY 80.

Doubles

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos 41; Brett, KC 38; Calderon, Chi 36; Puckett and Harper, Min 35.

National League - Jefferies, NY and Dykstra, Phi 34; Wallach, Mtl 33, McGee, StL 32; Johnson, NY and Bonilla, Pit 31.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 16; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos, Johnson, Chi, Eisenreich, KC and Pettis, Tex 7.

National League - Duncan, Cin and Coleman, StL 9; Smith, Atl 8; Thompson, StL and Gwynn, SD 7.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 52; Sax, NY 33; Kelly, NY 32; Calderon, Chi and Pettis, Tex 29.

National League - Coleman, Stl 76; Yelding, Hou 50; Bonds, Pit 43; Nixon, Mtl 41; Raines, Mtl 39, Butler, SF 36.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 92; Fielder, Det 85; Yount, Mil 81; McGriff, Tor 77; Seitzer, KC 76.

National League - Bonilla, Pit 99; Sandberg, Chi 93; Dykstra, Phi 90; Bonds, Pit 88; Sabo, Cin 85.

Hits

American League - Boggs, Bos 154; Griffey, Sea 153; Kelly, NY and Trammell, Det 151; Palmeiro, Tex 150; Parker, Mil 149.

National League - McGee, StL 168; Dykstra, Phi 160; Gwynn, SD 159; Sandberg, Chi 153; Alomar, SD 150.

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 21; Clemens, Bos 19; Stewart, Oak 17; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 16.

National League - Drabek, Pit 17; Viola, NY 16; Martinez, LA 15; Gooden, NY 14; Harkey and Maddux, Chi and Armstrong and Browning, Cin 12.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 110 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 1.95; Finley, Cal 2.53; Stewart, Oak 2.73; Appier, KC 2.81; McCaskill, Cal 2.96; Hibbard, Chi 3.01.

National League - Whitson, SD 2.35; Tudor, Stl 2.45; Viola, NY 2.71; De. Martinez, MON, 2.82; Drabek, Pit 2.86.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 189; Ryan, Tex 181; Witt, Tex 171; Hanson, Sea 161; Johnson, Sea 160; Langston, Cal 155.

National League - Martinez, LA 188; Cone, NY 179; Gooden, NY 174; Smoltz, Atl 142; De. Martinez, Mtl 142; DeLeon, StL 141.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi 43; Eckersley, Oak 39; Jones, Cle 34; Schooler, Sea 30; Olson, Bal 29.

National League - Franco, NY 30; Myers, Cin 26; L.Smith, StL and Lefferts, SD 22; Smith, Hou 20.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 8; Morris, Det, Leary, NY, Clemens, Bos, Young, Sea and Brown, Tex 6; Finley, Cal, Saberhagen and Gordon, KC, Witt, Tex 5.

National League - Martinez, LA 8; Maddux, Chi 7; Smoltz, Atl, Morgan, LA, De.Martinez, Mtl Viola, NY, and Hurst, SD 6; Belcher, LA, Drabek, Pit and Hurst and Whitson, SD 5.

Shutouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 4; Stewart, Oak 3; Eleven pitchers tied with 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Mtl, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3; Thirteen players tied with 2.

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	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	72	57	.558	-	39-21	33-36	8-2	W-6
Toronto	67	64	.511	6	34-34	33-30	2-8	W-1
Detroit	61	69	.469	11 1/2	32-35	29-34	7-3	W-1
Milwaukee	60	69	.465	12	28-33	32-36	7-3	L-1
Baltimore	59	69	.461	12 1/2	28-33	31-36	3-7	L-5
Cleveland	59	70	.457	13	32-32	27-38	3-7	L-3
New York	56	73	.434	16	30-32	26-41	7-3	W-4
West								
Oakland	80	49	.620	-	41-23	39-26	4-6	L-1
Chicago	73	55	.570	6 1/2	38-29	35-26	4-6	L-5
Texas	66	64	.508	14 1/2	37-28	29-36	6-4	L-3
Kansas City	65	64	.504	15	39-29	26-35	7-3	W-1
California	66	65	.504	15	35-30	31-35	6-4	W-5
Seattle	63	67	.485	17 1/2	33-34	30-33	3-7	L-1
Minnesota	59	71	.454	21 1/2	32-33	27-38	4-6	W-3

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TOKYO (AUG. 30) UPI - Japan said Thursday it will offer $1 billion in assistance to Middle East nations that have suffered economically from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and to the U.S.-led multinational force building in the region.

Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto said Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu conveyed the decision in a telephone conversation with President Bush.

Japan said Wednesday it would contribute medical personnel and civilian transport to the U.S.-led multinational forces in Saudi Arabia and elsewhere in the Middle East.

Hashimoto told a news conference the $1 billion fund will be used to support the multinational forces and Middle East nations affected by Iraq's invasion and annexation of neighboring Kuwait Aug. 2.

The Foreign Ministry said financial aid will be provided to Jordan, Turkey and Egypt, which it said ''are confronted with urgent and serious economic difficulties.''

The ministry said Japan will bear ''a substantial share of the financial burden necessary for evacuee relief,'' and in the initial step, more than $10 million will be offered for refugee relief in Jordan, where tens of thousands of people have fled from neighboring Iraq and Kuwait.

The ministry said 424 Japanese, including 84 women and children, have been stranded in Iraq since the crisis erupted.

The Iraqi government said it will allow all women and children to leave the country Wednesday, but Foreign Ministry officials said there have been no reports they have left the country.

About 200 Japanese who were evacuated from Kuwait to Iraq have been confined at a hotel in Baghdad, together with foreigners from other countries, the officials said. About 20 of them were taken to an unknown location and their whereabouts remain unknown, the officials said.

The Japanese Embassy in Kuwait was temporarily shut down after Iraq cut off utilities and water, and the last two diplomats who held out at the embassy flew to Baghdad Wednesday, they said.

The embassy still remains officially open although it has no staff, they said.

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(AUG. 30) UPI - U-N Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar is scheduled to meet today with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Jordan. It will be the U-N's first diplomatic attempt to solve the crisis.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said yesterday there are NO

behind-the-scenes negotiations taking place to end the Persian Gulf Crisis. He added Iraq has NO intention of leaving Kuwait and called the oil-rich emirate an ''Iraqi province.''

Japan says it will offer one-BILLION dollars in aid to Middle East nations that have suffered economically because of the crisis. The Foreign Ministry says more than 10-Million dollars will go to evacuee relief.

Police in Plainfield, Illinois, say they have accoW5c!chPP- A lottery spokesman says one bettor picked all six winning numbers in last night's drawing of the Tri-state Megabucks game... and will claim a jackpot of five-point-eight-Million dollars.

The winning ticket was purchased at Deepa-year... before taxes... for 20 years.

Lower tier prizes totaled nearly 171-thousand dollars.

The winning numbers were: 62333 and 37.

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#90242u0628 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 30) UPI - Abortion remains the last hurdle to a crucial German unification treaty. West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl is scheduled to meet again with opposition Social Democrats tonight to work out a compromise agreement.

Soviet President Gorbachev met yesterday for five hours with Boris Yelstin the president of the Russian republic. The two leaders say they are putting aside their differences for the good of the Soviet Union.

Everything is on track for Saturday's pre-dawn launch of the shuttle Columbia. The shuttle's seven-man crew arrived at Cape Canaveral last night for final preparations for the 10-day astronomy mission.

A report by the People for the American Way says censorship problems in school are on the rise with attacks on books and instructional material such as Shakespeare's ''Romeo and Juliet'' and the stories of Edgar Allen Poe.

Three fans of a British rock band performing on the late night television show ''Into the Night'' rushed the stage last night, prompting a security guard to draw his gun. A spokesman for host Rick Dees says NO one was hurt.

Authorities in East, Troy, Wisconsin, say the pilot of a helicopter that

crashed into a ski hill, killing blues guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan and four others... was concerned about the foggy weather but decided to fly an nU
. Z1/4Wk Unidos, Agosto 30 - La esposa y el abogado de un dirigente de un culto religioso, convicto por asesinar a una familia para un sacrificio humano, criticaron a otros miembros del grupo fanatico, quienes declararon en contra del lider con el fin de obtener penas ligeras.

''Intentan difamar a Jeff'', dijo anoche el abogado defensor Charles Grieshammer, luego de que Jeffrey Don Lundgren fue convicto en la corte comun del condado por cinco cargos de asesinato y secuestro.

Grieshammer dijo que otros miembros del culto de Lundgren no pueden negar sus papeles desempenados en los homicidios multiples.

La esposa de Lundgren, Alice, quien habia sido sentenciada ayer a 150 anos de prision, por su vinculo al asesinato multiple, coincidio en decir que los otros miembros del culto ''estaran poco tiempo tras las rejas, porque se salvaron a ellos mismos, y no a los ninos''.

Lundgren, de 40 anos, ex ministro de una Iglesia Organizada de Jesucristo, podria tener que cumplir con una sentencia de 150 anos.

El juez Martin Parks programo tentativamente una audiencia para el 10 de septiembre, fecha en que el jurado escuchara argumentos y en la cual hara una recomendacio1/8nots. Average seas 1 to 3 feet.

Friday southeast wind 10 to 15 knots. Average seas 1 to 3 feet.

Boston Harbor: Today north wind 10 to 15 knots becoming east this afternoon. Waves around 1 foot.

Tonight wind northeast around 10 knots. Waves less than 1 foot.

Friday southeast wind 10 to 15 knots. Waves around 1 foot.

Buzzards Bay: Today north to northeast wind 10 to 15 knots. Average seas 1 to 2 feet.

Tonight wind northeast around 10 knots . Average seas around 1 foot.

Friday southeast wind 10 to 15 knots. Average seas 1 to 2 feet.

Narragansett Bay: Today north to northeast wind 10 to 15 knots. Average waves 2 feet or less.

Tonight northeast wind around 10 knots. Average waves 1 foot or less.

Friday southeast wind 10 to 15 knots. Average waves 1 or 2 feet.

Watch Hill, R.I., to Montauk Point to Manasquan inlet, N.J., and 20 nautical miles offshore including Long Island Sound: Today northeast 10 to 15 knots. Seas 2 to 3 feet on the ocean, 1 to 2 feet on L.I. Sound.

Tonight wind northeast around 10 knots. Seas 2 to 3 feet on the ocean and 1 foot on L.I. Sound.

Friday wind northeast to east 10 to 15 knots. Seas 2 to 4 feet on the ocean and 1 to 2 feet on the sound.

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#90242u0634 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Here is a roundup of top events Tuesday in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein denied secret negotiations were under way for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait, adding his nation had no intention of withdrawing from the oil-rich emirate Baghdad invaded four weeks ago. A White House source said Wednesday that national security adviser Brent Scowcroft met with a former senior administration official who carried one of many back-channel proposals from Iraq. Under the proposal, Iraq reportedly said it would be willing to withdraw from Kuwait if U.N.-mandated economic sanctions were lifted and Iraq regained

acces UNITED NATIONS - Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar's meeting in Jordan Thursday with Iraq's foreign minister will be the United Nations' first diplomatic move to try peacefully solving the Persian Gulf crisis. The meeting with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz in Amman was hailed by the the U.N. Security Council's 15 member states as timely and helpful.

WASHINGTON - State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said the Iraqi Foreign Ministry said that the women and children would be allowed to leave Iraq as soon as transportation arrangements could be worked out. She said each woman and child would require an exit visa. As part of their instructions, the Iraqis asked for a list of the names of the American women and children who would be applying for exit visas.

TOKYO - Japan said Thursday it will offer $1 billion in assistance to Middle East nations that have suffered economically from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and to the U.S.-led multinational force building in the region. Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto said Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu conveyed the decision in a telephone conversation with President Bush.

WASHINGTON - President Bush has offered to sell Saudi Arabia advanced warplanes, tanks and anti-aircraft missiles to beef up its defenses against the increased threat from Iraq. White House spokesman Roman Popadiuk said Bush has informed Congress of the possible sale of 24 F-15 fighters, 150 M-60 tanks, 200 Stinger anti-aircraft missiles and several thousand tank-killing depleted uranium shells.

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#90242u0637 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (AUG. 30) UPI - China said Thursday it has no plans to evacuate thousands of Chinese nationals from Iraq, where by some accounts the government of President Saddam Hussein is barring their departure.

Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Li Jinhua said Beijing does not currently intend to mount in Iraq the kind of massive airlift that brought nearly 5,000 Chinese home from Kuwait in the past week.

Li stubbornly rebuffed all other questions about the Chinese workers in Iraq, refusing to say if China feels they are safe, whether Beijing has contacted Baghdad about their status or whether they indeed are free to leave.

''We don't have any plans for evacuation (of Chinese in Iraq) for the time being,'' Li said at a weekly Foreign Ministry news briefing.

Chinese sources say several thousand Chinese workers have been prevented from leaving Iraq, whose million-strong army conquered tiny neighboring Kuwait Aug. 2.

Li refused to confirm or deny reports that some of the Chinese workers are in Iraq under terms of military supply and maintenance contracts. Until the invasion, China was the third largest supplier of weapons to Iraq.

Beijing's failure to mount an evacuation suggests the hard-line Chinese leadership is nearing paralysis in its policy toward the Persian Gulf crisis - unable to act decisively for fear of antagonizing Saddam.

Beijing's response to the Kuwait invasion was firm and squarely supported Western efforts to isolate Iraq, but the government has steadily lowered its political profile toward the crisis.

China initially denounced the invasion, calling for an Iraqi pullout from Kuwait and suspending arms sales to Baghdad in accordance with a U.N. Security Council embargo. As a member of the Security Council, China itself voted for the embargo.

But last weekend China quietly capitulated to Iraq's demand that all

nations close their Kuwait embassies, abandoning its stated resolve to maintain a mission in defiance of Iraq's conquest.

And despite Beijing's supporting vote for a Security Council resolution authorizing ''appropriate'' measures to enforce the U.N. embargo, Chinese leaders insist these do not include military measures.

Since vowing to stop arming Iraq, China has not publicly announced any new measures to support the embargo and has not contributed to the military force dispatched to the region to protecting Saudi Arabia and other gulf states.

Beijing only last month established relations with Riyadh.

The Foreign Ministry spokeswoman repeated China's assertion that the closing of Kuwait Embassy did not indicate a change in the government's position toward the crisis.

''China has earnestly implemented the (Security Council) resolutions,'' Li said without further explanation.

Li also refused to comment on reports that 10 Middle Eastern countries have threatened to boycott next month's Beijing Asian Games if Iraq is allowed to participate.

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(AUG. 30) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 1b	4	2	3	2	Wilson cf	4	2	2	0
Gantner 2b	4	0	0	0	Fernandez ss	4	1	2	3
Sheffield 3b	4	0	0	0	Gruber 3b	3	0	0	1
Parker dh	4	0	1	0	McGriff 1b	4	0	2	0
Yount cf	4	0	0	0	Olerud dh	4	0	0	0
Deer rf	4	0	0	0	Myers c	4	1	1	0
Vaughn lf	3	0	1	0	Felix rf	4	2	2	0
O'Brien c	2	0	0	0	MLee 2b	4	1	3	3
Surhoff c	1	0	0	0	Hill lf	4	0	0	0
Diaz ss	2	1	1	0					
Spiers ss	1	0	0	0					
Totals	33	3	6	2	Totals	35	7	12	7

Milwaukee	100 020 000- 3
Toronto	110 500 00x- 7

E-Felix, Gruber. DP-Toronto 1. LOB-Milwaukee 3, Toronto 5. 2B-Wilson, Felix 2, Molitor, Fernandez, McGriff. HR-Fernandez (3), Molitor (9). SB-Molitor (14), Yount (14). SF-Gruber.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Knudson (L 10-7)	3 2-3	8	6	6	0	2
Mirabella	3 1-3	4	1	1	0	1
Veres	1	0	0	0	0	2
Toronto						
Key (W 9-6)	6	6	3	2	0	6
Ward (S 10)	3	0	0	0	0	2

WP-Knudson. T-2:42. A-49,909.

Umpires-Home, McClelland; 1b, Denkinger; 2b, Voltaggio; 3b, Cedarstrom.

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Reed 2b	6	0	2	1	Cole cf	3	1	0	0
Quintana 1b	4	2	1	1	Browne 2b	4	0	1	0
Boggs 3b	5	0	3	0	Baerga 3b	4	0	1	0
Burks cf	4	1	1	2	Maldonado rf	4	0	2	1
Greenwell lf	5	0	2	1	CJames dh	3	0	0	0
Evans dh	4	0	1	0	Jacoby 1b	3	0	0	0
Plantier pr	0	0	0	0	DJames lf	2	0	1	0
Marshall rf	4	0	1	0	Webster lf	1	0	0	0
Romine rf	1	1	0	0	Alomar c	3	0	0	0
Pena c	3	1	1	0	Fermin ss	3	0	1	0
Rivera ss	5	2	2	1					
Totals	41	7	14	6	Totals	30	1	6	1

Boston	101	110	300-	7
Cleveland	000	000	001-	1

HBP-by Walker (Pena). T-2:29. A-8,862.

Umpires-Home, Joyce; 1b, Barnett; 2b, Kosc; 3b, Morrison.

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Phillips 2b	4	0	0	0	Reynolds 2b	4	0	1	0
Fryman 3b	4	0	1	0	EMartinez 3b	3	0	0	0
Trammell ss	4	1	2	1	Griffey Jr cf	3	1	1	0
Fielder 1b	3	2	1	1	Davis dh	4	1	1	2
Ward lf	4	1	1	0	O'Brien lf	4	0	2	0

Lemon rf	3	0	2	1	CMartinez 1b	3	0	0	0
Shelby cf	3	0	1	0	Leonard ph	1	0	0	0
Coles dh	2	0	0	1	Buhner rf	3	0	1	0
Bergman dh	1	0	0	0	Valle c	2	0	0	0
Heath c	4	0	1	0	Cotto ph	1	0	1	0
					Vizquel ss	3	0	0	0
					Sinatro ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	32	4	9	4	Totals	32	2	7	2

Detroit	020	001	010- 4
Seattle	000	002	000- 2

DP-Detroit 2, Seattle 2. LOB-Detroit 5, Seattle 7. 2B-O'Brien, Griffey Jr. 3B-Shelby. HR-Trammell (13), Davis (12), Fielder (42). SF-Coles.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Terrell (W 3-2)	7 1-3	5	2	2	3	5
Gleaton (S 9)	1 2-3	2	0	0	0	0
Seattle						
Young (L 6-14)	8 1-3	9	4	4	3	5
Jackson	2-3	0	0	0	0	1

HBP-by Terrell (Buhner). PB-Valle. T-2:42. A-13,105.

Umpires-Home, Reed; 1b, Cooney; 2b, Tschida; 3b, Brinkman.

TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
Pettis cf	4	0	1	0	Polonia lf	5	1	1	2
Kunkel 3b	4	0	1	0	White cf	3	1	0	0
Franco 2b	4	0	2	0	Davis dh	4	2	1	1
Sierra rf	4	1	2	0	Winfield rf	2	1	1	2
Incaviglia lf	4	1	2	1	Stevens 1b	4	0	0	0
Daugherty 1b	3	0	0	0	Parrish c	3	1	2	4
Stanley c	3	0	1	0	Howell 3b	4	1	2	0
JoRussell dh	3	0	0	1	Ray 2b	3	1	1	0
Reimer dh	1	0	0	0	Schofield ss	3	1	1	0
Huson ss	2	0	0	0					
Palmeiro ph	1	0	0	0					
Green ss	0	0	0	0					
Petralli ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	34	2	9	2	Totals	31	9	9	9

Texas	000	010	100- 2
California	001	100	70x- 9

DP-Texas 1, California 1. LOB-Texas 7, California 6. 2B-Ray, Stanley.
HR-Incaviglia (19), Parrish (21). S-Daugherty, Ray.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Brown	6	4	2	2	3	2
Barfield (L 3-2)	1-3	2	5	5	3	0
Arnsberg	2-3	3	2	2	0	0
Rogers	1	0	0	0	1	1
California						
Abbott (W 9-12)	7 1-3	8	2	2	1	7
Fraser	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	1

T-2:44. A-25,575.

Umpires-Home, Roe; 1b, Palermo; 2b, Scott; 3b,

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#90242u0846 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (AUG. 30) UPI - The Tokyo Stock Exchange said Thursday it will raise the interest rates charged on margin trading beginning Friday to keep pace with the central bank's decision to raise its official discount rate.

The exchange said the interest charged to investors buying stocks on credit will be raised to 9.2 percent annually from the present 8.5 percent.

It said the interest charged to investors selling stocks on credit for settlement within six months will rise to 4.75 percent from 4 percent.

The rate on special margin transactions for settlement within three months will go up to 6.50 percent from 5.75 percent, the exchange said.

The interest rates are tied to the official discount rate, which was raised by the central bank to 6.0 percent, up 0.75 percentage points effective Thursday.

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#90242u1017 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 30) UPI - U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar is heading to Jordan to meet with Iraq's foreign minister on what he calls an ' vain. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said in a television interview last night that Baghdad has NO intention of pulling out of Kuwait. Speaking through an interpreter, Saddam said- ''Kuwait is part of Iraq.'' Saddam also

flatly denied that there are any behind-the- scenes negotiations going on to get Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

The Miami Herald reports that a personality profile of the killer who stabbed and bludgeoned five students in Gainesville is possibly a security guard or a hospital worker. The paper, quoting knowledgeable sources, says a profile done for investigators shows the killer who has terrified the University of Florida community probably is in his late 20's or early 30's. It says the serial killer probably is NOT a sworn police officer or doctor but works along the lines of a security guard or hospital orderly.

NASA managers kept an eye on the skies over Cape Canaveral as engineers work on a problem telescope in the shuttle Columbia. It has been a smooth countdown to an early Saturday blast-off of Columbia and its seven-man crew on a 10-day astronomy flight. Forecasters say there is a 60 percent chance of favorable weather at launch time. Engineers are trying to find the source of a problem involving a telescope in the shuttle's payload bay. Officials were unable to receive data from the telescope early today.

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#90242u1074 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - CBS has named Johnathan Rodgers, a Chicago TV executive, as president of the network's Television Stations Division.

Rodgers, vice president and general manager of WBBM-TV, a CBS-owned station in Chicago, will take over for Eric W. Ober, recently appointed president of CBS News following the resignation of David Burke.

Rogers, a 14-year CBS veteran, formerly was executive producer of CBS's morning and evening news shows and ''Nightwatch.''

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#90242u1093 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) UPI - U.S. factory orders advanced 1.6 percent - or $3.8 billion - to $240.3 billion in July on another wave of aircraft buying, the Commerce Department reported Thursday.

The July increase in orders follows a decline of 1.9 percent in June and a gain of 2.2 percent in May, according to the monthly report compiled by the department's Census Bureau.

''Most of the increase in orders in July was for durable goods, up $3.5 billion, or 2.8 percent to $128.2 billion,'' the report said. ''Within the major industries, transportation equipment had the largest gain, up $1.6 billion, or 4.9 percent to $34.9 billion.

''A large increase in aircraft and parts was partially offset by a decline in motor vehicles and parts,'' the report said. ''Most of the other major industries had smaller increases.''

Aircraft have led many of the gains in factory orders this year as the world's airlines scramble to rebuild their aging jet fleets.

Not counting transportation equipment, factory orders increased 1.1 percent in July, a government spokesman said. Not counting defense hardware, orders advanced 1.8 percent, the spokesman said.

The Commerce Department also reported that July orders for non- durable goods were up by $200 million, or a mere 0.2 percent, to $112.1 billion.

Manufacturers' inventories, meanwhile, jumped 0.7 percent - or $2.6 billion - to $373.3 billion last month - in the largest one month increase since a gain of 0.8 percent in January.

Bigger inventories usually signal a slowdown in sales, which would be consistent with the slow pace of consumer spending as the domestic economy flirts with a recession.

The inventory-to-shipments ratio, which tracks delivery time, increased to 1.57 in July from 1.55 in June.

Shipments of factory goods slipped 0.8 percent - or $2 billion - in July to $237.5 billion. Unfilled orders increased 0.6 percent - or $2.9 billion - to $520.4 billion last month.

Overall factory orders ''have been relatively flat since December 1988, averaging $235.9 billion per month,'' the report said. ''Shipments have also been relatively flat since December 1988, averaging $233 billion per month.''

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#90242u1096 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 30) UPI - Alleged mob figure Anthony Giacalone demanded $250,000 from Teamsters President Frank Fitzsimmons for arranging the murder of former union chief Jimmy Hoffa, according to a newly released FBI report.

The report was disclosed during hearings in Newark, N.J., this week on federal attempts to oust Charles ''Chuckie'' O'Brien from his post with the Teamsters southern conference at Hallandale, Fla.

O'Brien, Hoffa's foster son, has long been a key figure in the FBI investigation of Hoffa's disappearance from a parking lot of a Michigan

restaurant in July 1975. He is believed dead.

The information in the FBI report comes from Jackie Presser, another former Teamsters president who died in 1988.

Presser told the FBI in 1978 that Giacalone called Fitzsimmons, demanded money and reminded him that ''it never ends.''

Hoffa was president of the union when he was convicted of jury tampering in 1964 and Fitzimmons suceeded him. Hoffa served nearly five years until he was pardoned by President Richard Nixon and at the time of his disappearance he was believed to be planning to take the Teamsters presidency from Fitzsimmons in a 1976 election.

The FBI report says Fitzsimmons, who has since died, refused to pay Giacalone.

O'Brien, then an official with Teamsters Local 299 in Detroit, went to Washington, D.C., in June 1978 in an unsuccessful effort to collect from Fitzsimmons, according to the report.

''There is no way that ever happened,'' O'Brien told the Detroit News Wednesday. ''I never talked to Fitz about money for Giacalone.''

O'Brien and Giacalone have denied any involvement in Hoffa's disappearance.

The hearing in Newark was conducted by a retired federal judge named to preside over a series of sessions dealing with allegations that the nation's largest union is controlled by organized crime.

It also was disclosed that O'Brien admitted talking with Giacalone by telephone five times and meeting with him four times within five days at about the time of Hoffa's disappearance. And officials said a Hoffa confidant told the FBI Giacalone asked him to set up meetings with Hoffa on six different July dates before the disappearance, although no meeting resulted.

The FBI contends Hoffa was lured to the restaurant to meet with Giacalone and New Jersey Teamsters figure Anthony Provenzano, ostensibly so that Giacalone could mediate a bitter feud between the other men.

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#90242u1104 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - High winds buffeted the Northwest Thursday, whipping up dust and blowing down trees as a cold front moved across the region and thunderstorms swept the South, knocking out power near Atlanta.

Clear, pleasant weather stretched across the Northeast and rain hit the Southwest.

High winds buffeted Washington state Wednesday, prompting warnings from the National Weather Service as a storm moved eastward across the state. The winds, which whipped up dust and blew down trees in extreme southeastern Washington, preceded a cold front moving across the state.

The gusty winds that topped 50 mph blew through western Idaho Thursday moving eastward across the state. Visibility was cut to less than a mile by dust blown by the high winds.

Thunderstorms lashed parts of the South early Thursday. Much of Georgia, Alabama and the Carolinas were under severe thunderstorm warnings during the early morning.

Severe thunderstorms swept through metro Atlanta Wednesday evening with powerful lightning, strong winds and torrential rain, causing some property damage and knocking out power to 25,000 homes.

Trees and power lines were downed, buildings damaged and streets littered with debris as the storms struck at the end of a record 98- degree day. Utility crews struggled through the night to restore service.

Police said lightning struck about five homes near Covington, sparking small fires. Other strikes triggered fires in Duluth and Dacula.

Marble-size hail was reported in North Carolina where a marine warning was in effect Thursday in the coastal waters as a broken line of thunderstorms brought heavy rain and lightning. Inland storms also were reported over the southeast part of the state.

The region baked Wednesday with Warner Robins, Ga., reporting a temperature of 105, Macon and Columbus, Ga., 102, and Augusta, Ga., 101. Muscle Shoals, Ala., and Huntsville, Ala., also had 102.

Patchy, dense fog blanketed southeastern Kentucky, cutting visibility to near zero at higher elevations and making driving dangerous.

Rain was common west of the Cascades but a drying trend was expected by Friday afternoon due to high pressure moving inland and better weather was expected for the holiday weekend.

In California, a weakening cold front moved onshore along California's north coast Wednesday, spreading light precipitation from the coastline into the mountains but it was sunny and warm inland with highs in the 80s and 90s.

Clear weather covered most of the Northeast and New England and early morning clouds reported over Cape Cod disappeared after sunrise.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $385.70, silver base of $4.84 and platinum price of $485.00:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$401.60	398.50
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	206.00	204.40
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.80	105.00
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.70	43.40
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	401.60	398.50
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	206.00	204.40
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.30	105.50
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.70	43.40
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	408.00	405.90
China Panda .50 troy oz.	210.20	209.10
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.00	108.50
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.10	46.80
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.10	28.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	401.70	399.60
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	205.30	204.20
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.70	103.20
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.60	44.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	400.20	398.10
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	207.10	206.10
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.30	105.80
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.20	45.00
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	400.20	398.90
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	205.70	205.10
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.20	87.00
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.70	45.60
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.20	23.20

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver

U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.24	$6.22
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,500	$3,480
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,500	$1,500
Platinum		
Australian Koala	509.00	504.00
Isle of Man Noble	447.00	492.00
Canada Maple Leaf	514.00	509.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90242u1194 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Diplomatic efforts figure heavily in the Persian Gulf situation today. U-N chief Javier Perez de Cuellar met with the French foreign minister in Paris in advance of a meeting with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. Perez de Cuellar told French T-V that he does ''NOT want to give the impression that we have a solution at hand.'' He described talks with Aziz as being ''extremely difficult and delicate.''

The U-N chief scheduled a meeting with Aziz today, but unconfirmed reports indicate it has been postponed until tomorrow. And in other developments, diplomats say it likely will take at least one week to process exit visas for foreign women and children trapped by the invasion of Kuwait.

The Tokyo government says Japan will give one-BILLION dollars in aid to Middle East nations hurt economically by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and to the multi-national force in the region. At a news conference today, the Japanese finance minister says Prime Minister Kaifu telephoned President Bush to inform him of Japan's decision.

U-S factory orders were up in July. The Commerce Department reports that orders advanced one-point-six percent last month on another wave of aircraft buying. Orders, mostly for durable goods, increased three-point-eight-BILLION dollars, to 240-point-eight-BILLION dollars. Transportation equipment showed the largest gain.

A small earthquake shook parts of northeast Arkansas, but there are NO reports of damage or injuries. The Memphis State University Earthquake

Center says the tremor registered three-point-four on the Richter scale and was felt in Blytheville and several other communities along the New Madrid Fault in Mississippi County.

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#90242u1200 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Canadian troops and Mohawk Indians put down their weapons after a last-minute deal ended a tense stand-off that threatened to turn violent. The Mohawks and the federal and Quebec provincial governments cut a deal today ending one of the most bitter disputes in Canadian history. The seven-week dispute concerned the expansion of a golf course to land the Mohawks claim as ancient burial ground.

Soviet Interior Ministry troops surrounded the headquarters of an illegal Armenian nationalist group in the Armenian capital today. The Armenian National Army then laid down its weapons in compliance with a disarmament deadline set by the Armenian parliament. The group's leaders were arrested but officials say about 50 fighters escaped.

New abortion legislation is holding up agreement on a key unification treaty for West Germany. Chancellor Helmut Kohl and opposition Social Democrats failed early today to reach an accord in the latest round of negotiations on the sensitive issue. But more talks are set for this evening in a further bid to find a compromise.

Utility crews struggled through the night to restore power to 25- thousand homes in Atlanta after violent thunderstorms battered the metropolitan area last night. Trees and power lines were downed, and streets were littered with debris in the wake of storms that also hit parts of Alabama and the Carolinas.

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#90242u1272 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-82.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 133.00-137.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $250.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50- 4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $110.00-$115.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $480.00-$490.00; dealer- approx., $483.00-$488.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $114.00-$122.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 283.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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#90242u1279 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

SAN DIEGO (AUG. 30) UPI - Uncertainty about the next America's Cup torpedoed skipper Peter Isler's attempts to sign up corporate sponsors and forced him to fold his defense sydnicate.

Isler said in a release Wednesday that his team, Isler Sailing International, had not been able to secure the sponsorship money needed to continue preparing for the 1992 regatta.

''Unfortunately, we have not made sufficient timely progress toward obtaining the level of financing required of a winning effort,'' Isler said. ''Time is so short that rather than compromising our campaign's chances of victory, we have decided to withdraw.''

Isler said the protracted legal battles between the San Diego Yacht Club and New Zealand made it virtually impossible for American teams to approach companies for help in raising the approximately $25 million needed to mount a challenge.

Aside from the uncertainty over the date, the races would have been staged in far-away New Zealand had the Kiwis prevailed in court.

''The confusion ... precluded us from going to corporations with a specific proposal during the critical period when foreign teams were moving ahead and when U.S. corporations were in their budget process for 7/8 Team Dennis Conner, Beach Boys USA and Triumph America as the teams that will compete for the right to defend the America's Cup on behalf of the San Diego Yacht Club.

The America's Cup Organizing Committee said it regreted Isler's decision.

''Your pledge of support to the American defense is most welcome and I am certain your team's substantial assets can and will be put to good use by one or more of the remaining defense teams,'' Gene Trepte, chairman of the ACOC Defense Committee, said in a letter to Isler.

Isler was the first American to formally enter the America's Cup derby and obtained major sponsorship from Hewlett-Packard, the computer giant that also backed Isler's team on the World Match Racing Circuit.

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#90242u1330 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - mixed.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 63-66.

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#90242u1339 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 30) UPI - Twenty-nine people were indicted Thursday by a federal grand jury in an alleged nationwide gambling ring headquartered in Chicago's Chinatown.

The indictment also names four groups, including the On Leong Chinese Merchants Association of Chicago, one of Chinatown's most influential

organizations.

Charges include racketeering conspiracy, operation of an illegal gambling business, tax conspiracy and individual tax offenses. It also seeks forfeiture of businesses used in the gambling operation and about $11.5 million in gambling proceeds.

The indictment charged the gambling ring operated in Chicago, New York City, Detroit, Minneapolis, Pittsburgh, Houston and Atlanta, starting in some areas as early as 1974.

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#90242u1365 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) UPI - Mayors David Dinkins and Jimmy Kemp couldn't be more different. Yet, the liberal black New York Democrat and the white Republican from Meridian, Miss., face a common enemy they fear could cost their citizens thousands, if not millions, of dollars.

Dinkins and Kemp are among the mayors - from both large and small cities - who are mincing no words about preliminary census figures released this week that they claim are drastically undercounting their areas.

If those numbers hold, the mayors say, their citizens will be cheated because the billions of dollars in federal grants that are doled out each year are often based on the official census head counts.

''This is unadulterated nonsense,'' Dinkins said, calling the Census Bureau tally ''statistical grand larceny.''

''Our worst fears have been realized,'' added Kemp, whose area was used for a trial census in 1986. ''I just don't think a system is going be reliable if it is based on people filling out a form and sending it back in.''

As expected, the preliminary census numbers showed a shift of population - and with it political clout and money - from the industrial Northeast and Midwest to the West and other Sun Belt states.

Two basic issues are at stake in the census count. The number of members each state will send to the House of Representatives is calculated on the basis of the census and, within each state, the amount of federal money localities receive for a variety of programs is geared to the tally.

The mayors of losing cities each have 15 days to appeal the census count and there is a chance the Census Bureau will adjust their figures upward. But that is far from a sure bet and some city officials have begun to look for help to Congress, where hearings on the subject will be held next

month.

Also pending is a federal lawsuit filed by New York and other major cities challenging the count.

In almost all the cities where undercounts are being claimed, the mayors' argument is the same: The census method of having citizens fill out and return census forms severely hurts the poor and minorities. Those people, the officials claim, may be more leery about returing forms to the government and, in any event, may have more difficulty reading the forms in the first place.

They also contend that, especially in poverty-ridden areas, immigrants and others are not being counted because they are doubling- and tripling-up in apartments and housing projects.

''One out of six people got the long form and, gosh dog, I looked at one of the long forms and it would take a Philadelphia lawyer to fill it out '' claimed Kemp.

The problem has prompted som odd alliances, such as the one between Kemp and Dinkins. The Missiissippi Republican noted he and Dinkins were so different, ''it's almost like we don't speak the same language, but we have the same problem. The same thing that's going to make him lose in this census count is going to make me lose.''

Dinkins estimated that in his city - where he believes the undercount has been almost 1 million, the loss of federal money could total in the billions of dollars.

''New Yorkers have been undercounted, underfunded and underrepresented for far too long,'' the mayor said. ''In 1990, the statistical shortchanging of our city and others throughout the nation must, once and for all, stop.''

''It's going to mean big bucks for the big cities,'' noted Lance Simmons of the U.S. Conference of Mayors, adding that ''wherever immigrants congregate, the count was probably low.''

Simmons stressed that the count was particularly important ''in a year of budget constraints at all levels of government. There are 17, 18 states out there now saying they are in a recession.''

Also bothering the mayors is that once the numbers are made final, they will stand until the next census in 2000 - a prospect that for losing cities means they will be stuck with what they view as an unfair figure for 10 years.

''There's almost half a billion dollars in city money we get each year that depends on the census data,'' noted David Balinger of the Philadelphia Planning Commission. ''This loss is not just for one year but for the 10 years we use the data.''

Also at issue are predictions that with a reorganized Congress that is geared more toward the Sun Belt, long-term federal policies that favored the Midwest and Northeast may be in for some changes.

For example, low-income energy assistance, which is now directed to poor people who have trouble paying heating bills, may start to be reconfigured to pay more attention to the air conditioning costs of the poor.

That, predicted Randy Erben, the head of the Washington office of the state of Texas, will cause ''some pitched battles'' between state in the Frost Belt and those in the Sun Belt.

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#90242u1367 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 30) UPI - A top Ford Motor Co. executive, insisting reports about delays in new models ''are totally wrong,'' said Thursday the No. 2 automaker will substantially raise product spending for 1990-95 from the $23 billion spent during the last five years.

Robert Rewey, vice president of sales operations for Ford's North American Automotive Operations, said Ford remains committed to its product plans, and that by the fall of 1991 six of its assembly plants will have been changed over to build substantially redesigned products.

Among those will be all-new Ford Crown Victoria and Mercury Grand Marquis full-sized sedans, to debut this spring as 1992 models. Those rear-drive cars, to feature a new 4.6 liter V8 engine, will be built at Ford's plant in St. Thomas, Ontario, where the current versions are made.

''Spending will be up by a long shot, even adjusted for inflation,'' Rewey said during a media briefing to discuss the company's 1991-model products.

It was reported last week that the mid-sized Ford Taurus and Mercury Sable cars, introduced for 1986, would not undergo major design changes until 1997 or 1998, three years later than planned.

''Those reports are totally wrong, totally incorrect,'' Rewey said.

While Ford will not officially disclose future product plans, company sources said the front-drive Taurus and Sable cars will undergo a major body restyling for the 1992-model year, and undergo a complete platform or underbody redesign for 1995 or 1996.

''It was the product that turned us around in the 1980s,'' Rewey said. ''We're not losing sight of that.''

But industry obeservers say Ford should have already overhauled its popular Taurus and Sable cars by now to capitalize on the sales success of those cars and counter newer designs like Honda's Accord and General Motors Corp.'s Chevrolet Lumina.

Ford's Taurus and Sable cars are now entering their sixth model year with only minor drivetrain improvements to improve engine and transaxle performance for 1991.

''Uncertainty about clean air legislation in Washington put many of our engine programs on hold, which has cost us,'' said one company engineer with Ford's front-wheel-drive car programs. ''We had to wait until there were much more clearly identified objectives.''

Ford, which enjoyed industry-record profits during the late 1980s, has already introduced several 1991 models, including its all-new Ford Escort and Mercury Tracer subcompacts.

But Rewey acknowledged that troubles with the launch of the Escort and Tracer have resulted in lower than expected sales.

''We have had two or three major problems,'' he said, including a production problems that caused an overabundance of three-door versions, while the wagon, GT and five-door models have been in demand.

Ford also was saddled with too many leftover 1990-model Escorts, discounted heavily with rebates.

''That has caused our dealers significant problems in getting the 1991s rolling,'' Rewey said, but noted that inventories should be in balance by early October.

On Wednersday evening, Ford President Philip E. Benton Jr. said while the automaker has not officially changed its U.S. industry sales forecast of 14.5 million cars and trucks for 1990, it is less confident those levels will be met.

Benton also indicated that internal company sales forecasts for 1991 will probably be lowered this fall.

''I would say our confidence level (for 1990) has dropped a bit,'' Benton said before addressing the Automotive Industry Action Group in Detroit. ''We probably will lower our forecasts for 1991.''

Ford has noticed a ''pullback in demand'' for its large cars in several parts of the country, including Florida, because of rising fuel prices due to Middle East tensions, Benton said.

But he also said Ford remains confident it will meet government- mandated corporate average fuel economy levels for 1990, despite a slower-than-expected startup of the fuel-efficient Escort and Tracer.

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#90242u1371 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Residents of tornado-ravaged Plainfield, Illinois, turned their efforts to repairing their homes and lives after 24 people were killed in Tuesday afternoon's tornado. Police chief D-E Bennet says officials are satisfied that all the missing people have been accounted for. Nearly 350 people were injured, and 70 remained hospitalized... 11 of them in critical condition.

Police in Gainesville, Florida, are keeping silent on details of the slayings of five students found this week in private apartments near the University of Florida. Police told a news conference today that the killer left enough evidence to his ensure his arrest and conviction. The F-B-I did a personality profile of the serial killer that a news report says will show the suspect may be a security guard or hospital orderly and probably is in his late 20's or 30's.

Air Force investigators have found the flight recorder from a U-S military plane that crashed yesterday, killing 13 U-S servicemen and injuring four others. Air Force officials found the device late yesterday in woods near the U-S Air base at Ramstein, West Germany, where the CA Galaxy transport plane crashed after takeoff. An Air Force spokesman says the injured soldiers are in ''stable condition'' at an army hospital.

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#90242u1376 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - A tropical wave could mean trouble for a planned Saturday launch of the shuttle Columbia on a 10-day astronomy mission. The forecast calls for a 60 percent chance of favorable launch time weather, but NASA engineers are keeping tabs on a tropical wave that could cause problems. Columbia is to blast off from Cape Canaveral with a seven-man crew.

A new F-B-I report says alleged mob figure Anthony Giacalone tried to shake down Teamsters Union President Frank Fitzsimmons. The report says Giacalone demanded 250-thousand dollars for arranging the murder of former union boss Jimmy Hoffa. The report says Fitzsimmons, who has since died, refused to pay Giacalone. The information in the report comes from Jackie Presser, another former Teamsters president who died in 1988. Hoffa's body

has never been found since he disappeared in 1975.

Pakistan's ousted prime minister is accusing the interim government of blackmailing her into renouncing politics. Former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto also says the government of President Ghulam Ishaq Khan is trying to isolate her by setting up special courts as a witch hunt against her supporters. Khan sacked Bhutto's government three weeks ago and dissolved the National Assembly.

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#90242u1378 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG 30) UPI - It could take at least a week to process exit visas for foreign women and children trapped by the invasion of Kuwait, diplomats said, while the U.N. secretary-general prepared to meet Iraq's foreign minister in Jordan.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar met in Paris with French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas Thursday and said his mission was ''to obtain the implementation of the (U.N.) resolutions.''

The resolutions call for the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait, re-establishment of the deposed government and release of all foreigners held hostage after Baghdad's Aug. 2 invasion. The U.N. Security Council also approved the use of force, if necessary, to enforce a U.N.-sanctioned embargo against Iraq.

''I do not want to give the impression that we have a solution at hand,'' Perez de Cuellar told French television in advance of his meeting with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. He described his mission as ''extremely difficult and delicate.'' The U.N. chief's meeting with Aziz was scheduled for Thursday but unconfirmed reports said it had been postponed until Friday.

Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al Faisal arrived in Cairo for Thursday's meeting of the Arab League foreign ministers, saying the basic solution to the crisis was Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait and restoration of the government.

''If we bear this in mind and international efforts intensified, there would still be hope in resolving the crisis,'' he said.

In other developments:

-The New York Times reported Thursday the Kuwaiti resistance had killed or wounded ''a couple hundred'' Iraqi troops and destroyed a few tanks and more than 20 behicles, according to a U.S. government official. NBC television Wednesday said the resistance was supported by the CIA and

other U.S. military special forces, and had made daily guerrilla raids into Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

-The United States reportedly was expected to begin a plan in which U.S. allies would be asked to help share the cost of the U.S. deployment in the Middle East. The Washington Post cited a senior administration official saying the plan could be implemented as soon as Thursday.

-The British Foreign Office said 32 more Britons were taken from their homes in Kuwait overnight and taken to civilian sites in Baghdad. A total of 197 Britons are in Iraqi custody.

Tuesday Iraqi President Saddam Hussein offered to release all Western women and children who wanted to leave Iraq and on Wednesday, Iraq asked the United States and other countries to supply the names of women and children under its control seeking exit visas to leave.

Norwegian Foreign Ministry spokesman Bjorn Blokhus told UPI Iraqi authorities informed the country's embassy in Baghdad that ''it will take at least a week to process the necessary papers to allow anyone out.'' Blokhus also said the embassy had been told the move included men, women and children, despite the Iraqi announcement Tuesday excluding men.

Britain has not been able to confirm that foreign men detained by Iraq would be released and a process still ''has to be organized'' to provide exit visas, a weary-sounding Foreign Office spokesman said in London.

''Your guess is probably as good as mine. We really don't know'' when Western foreigners will be allowed to leave, the spokesman said.

Both the State Department and the British Foreign Office said they had no information regarding reports that planes would not be allowed to pick up Western women and children from Iraq unless they were carrying food and medicine for Iraq.

''We have not heard anything from the Iraqi authorities,'' a British Foreign Office spokesman said.

At the same time, a White House source said national security adviser Brent Scowcroft met with a former senior administration official who carried one of many back-channel proposals from Iraq along the lines of one reported in the Long Island, N.Y., newspaper Newsday.

Under the proposal, Iraq reportedly said it would be willing to withdraw from Kuwait if U.N.-mandated economic sanctions were removed and Iraq obtained access to the strategic Persian Gulf. But Saddam told CBS News Wednesday his country had no intention of pulling out of Kuwait and flatly denied the existence of any behind-the-scenes negotiations.

''Kuwait is part of Iraq,'' Saddam said through an interpreter. Iraq annexed Kuwait shortly after the invasion and on Tuesday decreed the tiny oil-rich emirate Iraq's 19th administrative province.

Despite requests from Iraq to supply the names of women and children held in Iraq and Kuwait to expedite their departure, the State Department has cautioned there was still no certainty of their release. More than 10,000 Western and Japanese foreigners remain.

Norwegian government spokesmen said they were worried about delivering passports and lists of nationals to the Iraqi authorities.

''What they'll get is a full list of all our nationals in Iraq and Kuwait and where they are,'' said one official, who requested anonymity. ''That is what we have been trying to keep from them throughout this crisis.''

Mohammed al-Mashat, Iraqi ambassador to Washington, offered the prospect of a wider solution to the hostage crisis Wednesday by suggesting that male ''guests'' also would be permitted to leave if the United States gave an assurance that it would not attack Iraq.

Margaret Tutwiller, U.S. State Department spokesman, responded, ''We reject any notion that there should be any conditions attached to the immediate safe departure of all foreign nationals, including Americans, who wish to depart from Iraq and Kuwait.''

''However, as a separate matter, I would reiterate what the president has said since the beginning of the crisis, and that is that U.S. forces are being sent to the region to deter further Iraqi aggression and to defend themselves if attacked,'' she said.

In an interview published Thursday in the Egyptian newspaper Al- Gomhuria, Abdul Halim Badawi, Egypt's ambassador to the United Nations, said he believed the ''main target of the U.S. movements is to get rid of Saddam Hussein whether by force or by other means.'' Badawi said he also believed the United States was waiting for the results of the economic embargo.

''Whatever the results of the crisis, a new map for the Middle East will be prepared by dividing some of the existing entities,'' he said.

''I believe some of the existing countries will disappear from the map of the Middle East and the first of such countries is Jordan,'' Badawi said, adding he believed there was a ''possibility for the return of Kuwait, but the ruling family has little chances'' of returning to power.

In another development, Syria flatly denied any disorders or demonstrations occurred in Syrian cities near the border with Iraq in

recent days. Minister of Information Mohammed Salman told reporters in Damascus that rumors had been spread by ''malignant'' sources in an adjacent Arab country.

Unconfirmed reports from Jordan, Syria's southern neighbor, said Syria had sent troops to its Eastern border with Iraq to quell violent pro-Saddam demonstrations and ''tens of people'' had been killed. Salman said no soldiers had been sent to the Syrian-Iraqi border and the forces in the region at the present had been based there for several years.

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SEATTLE (AUG. 30) UPI - Washington natives who are vocal in their displeasure at the influx of Californians had better be more discreet or else start thinking defensively. Californians are fighting back.

A 31-year-old Seattle area woman learned the hard way Tuesday when she yelled, ''Go back to California'' at a Jeep with California plates that cut her off.

The driver of the Jeep, a clean-cut guy about 35 wearing a tie, screeched to a halt, roared back, jumped out screaming obscenities and pummeled her small truck, police said.

''I was so stunned that he would stop his vehicle and back up three car lengths, then start using the 'f-word' and other names. I thought I was dead. He did a beautiful karate kick to my truck,'' the woman said.

The woman said she stopped the man by dialing 911 on her car phone.

''Thank goodness for my mobile phone. He just looked at me and said, 'Fine.' Then he said a few other choice words and raced off.

''California is nice ... but I really think he had a California attitude. I guess I am biased toward them, especially after this.

''I think they're just really rude drivers. My God, they shoot people down there. This guy might have blown me away. They ruined their own state and now they come up here and think they're going to move us over with their rudeness and fast driving.

''He's probably living up here and hasn't paid for his Washington license plates and driver's license so he's ripping off the taxpayers in Washington,'' she said.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (AUG. 30) UPI - The government will hold preliminary talks with communist guerrillas for a cease-fire in metropolitan Manila and areas devastated by a July 16 earthquake, officials said Thursday.

Defense and military officials earlier ignored a communist truce offer made five days after the quake, which measured 7.7 on the Richter Scale and left more than 1,600 people dead.

But on Wednesday, President Corazon Aquino directed her security advisers to consider proposals in the Senate for talks with both leftist and rightist extremists battling her government.

Aquino's action came amid a series of almost daily bombings in the past two weeks blamed on mutinous soldiers threatening to stage another coup attempt.

Justice Secretary Franklin Drilon told reporters preliminary talks would be held with Senator Wigberto Tanada and representatives of human rights groups and the Roman Catholic church.

Drilon said the talks would cover the rebel proposal for truce in quake-ravaged areas. Although metropolitan Manila was not included in the initial proposal, Drilon included the capital in the proposed cease- fire.

He said a special Cabinet committee that will implement Aquino's directive ''recognizes the importance of peace and development in the country and shares the sentiments which impelled the Senate to call for a cessation of hostilities.''

But when asked if the committee will sit down with rebel soldiers, who have tried six times to oust Aquino, Drilon said, ''not at this point.''

The leader of the rebel soldiers, fufixive army Col. Gregorio Honasan, proposed a truce during the earthquake, but the offer was not accepted.

After the military launched an offensive in the southern island of Mindanao against Col. Alexander Noble, a former deputy chief of staff in Aquino's security unit, Honasan announced on Aug. 15 the resumption of hostilities.

Earlier peace talks on ending a 21-year communist rebellion led by the 19,000-member New People's Army collapsed in February 1986 over rebel demands for power-sharing.

Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos, meanwhile, denied Thursday charges by rightwing rebels he was behind a plot to oust Aquino. He said the charges were meant to ''drive a wedge'' between Aquino and the military.

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#90242u1415 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (AUG. 30) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis demonstrates the NATO charter's restriction on ''out of area'' activity is outdated and should be amended, leaders of NATO's political arm said Thursday.

Their remarks were echoed by British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher in remarks made in Helsinki.

The North Atlantic Treaty, which created the Western alliance in 1949, limits NATO to common defense within the alliance's geographical area.

''Changed global circumstances demand a changed NATO charter in order to allow the alliance to confront, promptly and directly, threats to its members' security, from wherever those threats emanate,'' said Patrick Duffy, president of the North Atlantic Assembly.

The Assembly includes parliamentarians from all 16 NATO nations.

Countries like Iraq have weaponry comparable to NATO and Warsaw Pact arsenals, so a neat distinction between ''in area'' and ''out of area'' is ''profoundly anachronistic since it derives from a fundamentally outdated threat assessment,'' Duffy said.

He was joined in the statement by U.S. Sen. William Roth and a member of the Turkish Parliament, Zeki Yavuzturk, both vice presidents of the Assembly.

The pronouncement, reflecting a growing sentiment in some European circles follows a trip by Duffy and other Assembly members to Turkey and Italy in the past few weeks.

Thatcher, in Helsinki, said only Britain and France had done ''significantly more than the minimum'' to enforce economic sanctions against Iraq.

''NATO must be prepared to undertake out-of-area defense, otherwise we shall not have a defensive reply to the threats to our supplies, of which oil is obviously one,'' she said.

Despite widening support for a change in the NATO charter, a change will be difficult to achieve because of NATO's requirement for agreement among members, analysts said. France, which pulled out of NATO's integrated command structure in 1966, would particularly object to any expanded role for the alliance.

NATO foreign ministers met in Brussels on Aug. 10, eight days after Iraq invaded Kuwait. They endorsed United Nations sanctions against Iraq but took no common military position due to the restriction that the gulf was ''out of area'' for NATO action.

North Atlantic Assembly leaders applauded the United States, Britain and Turkey for their response to the gulf crisis and said they are ''convinced that we (NATO) cannot continue to address these 'out of area' crises on an ad hoc basis.''

The nine-nation Western European Union stepped into the military vacuum to a degree, agreeing on Aug. 21 to coordinate military activities of its members who dispatched forces to the Persian Gulf. Nations acting under the WEU umbrella were Britain, France, Belgium, Spain, Holland and Italy.

West Germany sent warships to the Mediterranean but not the gulf, citing its constitutional bar against military activity in non-NATO areas.

Failure to amend the NATO charter would strain the NATO alliance, they said, because the United States will resent being repeatedly relied upon as top cop, and southern-flank NATO members will ''question the value of an alliance which professes itself incapable of addressing direct threats to the safety of their citizens.''

A political and military redefinition of NATO neatly fits U.S. goals of retaining influence in Europe. But a recasting of the alliance to achieve these goals is not certain.

Some European leaders, including most in the French government, would prefer the 12-nation European Community to assume the Eruope's political leadership in the 1990s Europe. The Western European Union and the 35-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe could also play at least part of the role that several of the NATO leaders want the alliance to play.

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#90242u1416 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Led by a rise in U.S. gasoline of nearly 7 cents a gallon oil prices shot up in early trading Thursday as tension from the Persian Gulf crisis reasserted its influence on the market.

''Tensions have resurfaced after being in the background for a week,'' said Ed Kevelson of Dean Witter Reynolds' International Energy Futures Group in New York.

''Yesterday's peace rumors are not there today,'' said Bill Hinton of New York's Stotler & Co.

Prices fell sharply Wednesday on the belief that Iraq's President Saddam Hussein was seeking a diplomatic settlement of his Aug. 2 invasion and occupation of Gulf neighbor Kuwait.

New York Newsday reported Wednesday that Iraq had secretly offered to pull back from Kuwait in exchange for a lifting of the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo on Kuwaiti and Iraqi exports and for guaranteed access to Kuwait's ports.

But Thursday's market was focusing on a delay in peace talks between Iraqi and U.N. officials and more truculent statements emanating from Baghdad.

At midday, unleaded gasoline for September delivery was up 6.88 cents to 91.59 cents a gallon on the New York Mercantile Exchange, while home heating oil had gained 4.61 cents to 76.25 cents a gallon.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery had added $1.21 to $27.13 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, where crude is bought and sold to the highest bidder, WTI had risen $1.05 to $27 a barrel.

On the European spot market, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - was up 62 cents to $23.92 a barrel.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent crude was ahead 77 cents to $26.90 a barrel.

Hinton said the rally also was being helped by reports that Saudi Arabia may have trouble increasing its daily output by 2 million barrels to help offset the 4 million barrels a day lost through the U.N.-ordered embargo.

The trader said the Saudis are reportedly ''placing ads all over the place'' for oil workers to replace those who have fled Saudi Arabia because of war fears.

In advance of his Amman, Jordan, meeting with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar told a French television audience: ''I do not want to give the impression that we have a solution at hand.''

He described his mission as ''extremely difficult and delicate.'' The U.N. chief's meeting with Aziz, originally scheduled for Thursday, was postponed until Friday.

There also were unexpected delays in Iraq delivering on its promise Tuesday to allow dependents of Western embassy personnel to leave the

country.

Norwegian Foreign Ministry spokesman Bjorn Blokhus told United Press International that Iraqi authorities had informed his country's Baghdad embassy that ''it will take at least a week to process the necessary papers to allow anyone out.''

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#90242u1419 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

PLAINFIELD, IL (AUG. 30) UPI - Debbie Weglarz and her husband kept $1,500 stashed in their garage for a rainy day.

The rains came Tuesday. So did a tornado. Now they can't find their garage.

''It's gone,'' Weglarz said Thursday. ''Not just the garage. Everything's gone.''

The Weglarz family, whose home used to be five miles north of Plainfield, is among hundreds who lost their homes to the savage storm that cut a swath from Plainfield to Joliet, southwest of Chicago.

Twenty-four people were killed by the twister and another man died of carbon monoxide poisoning when he tried to use a gas generator at his home. Sixty-three of the 355 people injured remained hospitalized Thursday eight in critical condition.

The Will County Emergency Services and Disaster Agency pegged losses to private homes and businesses at $100 million. The damage was so overwhelming that President Bush needed only hours to respond to Gov. James R. Thompson's plea for a federal disaster declaration. Thompson issued a similar state declaration Wednesday, after tourning the devastated area.

The Weglarz family lived in their now destroyed home for 11 years. After the storm, the house, the garage, even the grand piano were gone. A neighbor's boat rested where their front door used to be.

Insurance adjusters swarmed over Plainfield and nearby Crest Hill, where an apartment complex was destroyed, assessing damage and writing checks to victims to cover their living expenses.

''We don't even have any idea how many claims there will be,'' said Greg Rossiter of Allstate Insurance Co. ''All we know at the moment is that we alone have 14,000 home and auto policies in the Plainfield and Joliet areas.''

Several insurance companies set up temporary claims offices to take

reports and one savings and loan offered unsecured loans of $200. Secured emergency loans of up to $10,000 also were offered.

Storm-shocked victims carrying plastic garbage bags combed a cornfield adjacent to the wrecked apartment complex, searching for belongings strewn by the storm.

At least 10 dump trucks lined up at the apartment complex to collect debris and tow trucks dragged mangled cars from streets and fields.

Plainfield officials summoned structural engineers to assess the soundness of damaged buildings.

''The emergency is over,'' said Police Chief D.E. Bennett.

''Everyone knows what comes next,'' Weglarz said. ''It's time to rebuild.''

He and his wife will start with an emergency $6,000 check from their insurance company pending an evaluation of their loss.

Volunteers from the Salvation Army and Red Cross set up relief efforts throughout the stricken area. Scores of people lined up to give blood after hospitals reported shortages of types O and B, both negative and positive.

A propane tank near a Baptist Relief Organization truck exploded at the Crest Hill complex Thursday, injuring four people. The propane tank was being used by a mobile kitchen providing food for tornado victims. Police Sgt. James Albritton said officials could not immediately determine the cause.

The Joliet K mart served as a central gathering point for canned food and clothing donations to tornado victims.

Offers of aid even came from the Soviet Union, grateful for the help Illinois residents offered following the earthquake in Armenia.

''I'm absolutely amazed that the loss of life is not in the hundreds with casualties in the thousands,'' the governor said after his tour,

The tornado struck just one day before classes were scheduled to begin at Plainfield High School, which was leveled. School officials canceled all elementary and high school classes for this week and have decided to split the high school population among other schools in the area. Students will begin half-day classes starting Sept. 6.

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#90242u1446 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

SRINAGAR, INDIA (AUG. 30) UPI - Dozens of daily and weekly newspapers in the Kashmir Valley staged a one-day strike Thursday to protest alleged harassment by Indian security forces who are trying to put down a Moslem uprising in the region.

Local papers, whose circulation has surged because of coverage given to the conflict, were unavailable at news stands for the first time since mid-January, when a 2-year-old Moslem secessionist movement flared into a popular uprising against Indian rule.

Some newspapers hoisted black flags on their buildings to protest alleged harassment by security forces, and reporters in the state summer capital of Srinagar wore black armbands in solidarity with the one-day strike.

Editors in the Kashmir Valley charge that Indian security forces have searched newsrooms without cause, detained reporters, harassed street vendors and refused to recognize curfew passes issued to journalists. They also claim the state government stopped advertising in local papers in January to pressuzGo?

The most highly publicized case of government harassment of the news media came in June, when soldiers abducted Yousuf Jameel, a Srinagar-based correspondent for the British Broadcasting Corp. and the news agency Reuters.

High-level officials in New Delhi and in Jammu and Kashmir state repeatedly denied any military involvement in the incident, and the Indian government was publicly embarrassed when soldiers released Jameel one day after his abduction.

The strike Thursday was called by the Kashmir Editors Conference, headed by Ghulam Nabi Shaida, the editor of the daily newspaper Wadi Ki Awaz, or ''Voice of the Valley.''

''We can't bear government harassment any more,'' said Shaida, whose newspaper office was searched by Indian intelligence agents Aug. 24. ''They have been raiding our offices, beating up our hawkers and not respecting any valid curfew passes.''

''The government wants to gag us, but we are not going to be cowed,'' he added. ''If the government does not stop repression of the ''ression of the

Sofi Ghulam Mohammad, editor of the Srinagar Times, the area's largest newspaper with a circulation of about 10,000, charged that Indian security forces had arrested two of his staff members recently. He said authorities released the two only after he obtained an order from the state high court.

''We have to work under two pressures: the pressure from the militants and the authorities. But the authorities want to suffocate us. We are not going to accept that repression,'' Mohammad said.

Scattered violence continued Thursday in the Kashmir Valley. Moslem rebels ambushed a vehicle carrying a senior superintendent of police in the town of Anantnag, wounding the official and five other security men in the car.

The Moslem separatist movement in the region gained widespread popular support in mid-January, when security forces opened fire on a crowd of demonstrators and killed at least 35 people.

The rebels claim that Moslems in Kashmir need a separate state because of years of discrimination against the region by successive Hindu-dominated administrations in New Delhi.

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#90242u1450 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) UPI - The 1989 infant mortality rate, at 9.7 per 1,000 live births, was the lowest ever recorded in the United States, while deaths due to AIDS rose to become the 11th leading killer, the government said Thursday.

The 1989 data, released by the National Center for Health Statistics, also showed life expectancy reaching a record high of 75.2 years and a continuing decline in death rates for various diseases.

Infant mortality rates reflect deaths of children before their first birthday. The 1989 infant mortality rate was 9.7 per 1,000 live births, 2 percent lower than the 1988 rate of 9.9 and the lowest-ever recorded rate for the nation.

However, the decline in infant mortality has slowed in the past several years, particularly for black infants for whom the rate is more than twice that for whites, the report said.

A breakdown of 1989 infant mortality figures by race was not available. But Sandra Smith, a spokeswoman for the health statistics center, said she presumes the gap identified in 1987 continues: 8.6 deaths per 1,000 live births for whites and 17.9 deaths for blacks.

''Although we've made progress in reducing this nation's infant mortality, we must do better,'' Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan said, adding progress is needed to improve maternal and infant health.

''In particular, we must continue to direct prevention, education and

health care opportunities to our minority and poor citizens where infant mortality strikes hardest,'' he said.

A 1986 U.N. ranking of countries that keep infant mortality rates and have populations of at least 1 million found the United States ranked 26th at 10.4 deaths, with Japan leading at 5.2 deaths and Romania with the worst record at 25.6. Among the nations with better rates than the United States were Western European countries, Canada and Hong Kong.

Acquired immune deficiency syndrome continued in 1989 to ravage the population, leaving an estimated 21,360 dead from the HIV infection. The death toll represented a 32 percent increase over 1988, when an estimated 16,210 people died from the disease.

The spiraling number of AIDS deaths caused the disease to become the 11th leading cause of death in 1989, up from 15th place in 1988.

Of the 21,360 deaths, 64 percent were white males, 24 percent black males and about 6 percent each for white and black females. However, the report noted that the death rate was worst for black males - 35.3 deaths per 100,000 population, followed by 13.5 for white males, 8.3 for black females and 0.9 for white females.

The report also found that life expectancy at birth reached a record high of 75.2 years in 1989, up from 75 years in 1987 and the provisional estimate of 74.9 years in 1988.

But the data for blacks was not as encouraging as for other groups. In 1989, preliminary data showed life expectancy increased six months for white males but only one month for black males. For both white and black women, life expectancy increased by about 2.5 months from 1988 to 1989.

There were 2.15 million deaths in 1989, 1 percent lower than in 1988.

Age-adjusted death rates (rates that correct for demographic shifts) reached the lowest level ever recorded in the United States in 1989, with declining rates for heart disease, stroke, accidents, pneumonia and influenza, atherosclerosis and septicemia.

Along with AIDS, diabetes continued an upward death spiral, with approximately 47,000 deaths in 1989, making it the seventh leading cause of death.

The 10 leading causes of death in 1989, in decending order, were heart disease, cancers, stroke, accidents, chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases, pneumonia and influenza, diabetes, suicide, chronic liver disease and homicide.

Among the other 1989 findings:

-About 4 million babies were born, the largest number reported since 1964.

-About 2.4 million marriages, or 9.7 per 1,000 population, the same as in 1988.

-About 1.16 million divorces, or 4.7 per 1,000 population, the lowest level since 1974.

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#90242u1468 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

GAINESVILLE, FL (AUG. 30) UPI - The serial killer who stabbed and bludgeoned five college students is possibly a security guard or hospital orderly and has knowledge of weapons and crime scenes, a psychological profile reportedly shows.

Police said they have been flooded with calls and letters from people claiming to have information about the killer who has terrified the University of Florida community.

''We don't know who he is .... he may appear as normal as you or I except he murders people,'' Police Lt. Sadie Darnell said. ''We're nowhere near saying we've got a suspect but we're very encouraged with the cooperation we're getting.''

The Miami Herald, quoting sources, reported Thursday that the profile being prepared for investigators shows the killer probably is in his late 20s or early 30s.

The Herald report did not indicate what the profile was based on but said the killer probably is not a sworn police officer or a doctor, but works more along the lines of a security guard or a hospital orderly.

The report said authorities believe the five slayings are the work of one person who is knowledgable of weapons and crime scenes and who frequents places where students congregate - bars or clubs.

Police encouraged Gainesville residents to report anything - even a ''gut reaction'' - that might help them track the killer, but also appealed for calm.

''We've had officers who have been out on a call and have been met at the door by guns,'' Darnell said. ''We don't want any additional tragedies.''

Police officials held a news conference Thursday but refused to reveal much about the investigation for fear of spoiling it. They declined to say

when the FBI would finish drafting a pscyhological profile of the killer.

''Again we do not have a profile. It's too early,'' Darnell said.

Alachua County Sheriff's Lt. Spencer Mann said the FBI had provided investigators with ''preliminary information'' but declined comment on a Miami Herald report about the profile.

Tampa television station WTVT reported receiving a letter, signed only with the initials ''K.T.,'' from someone claiming to know the killer. The letter, postmarked in Tampa, said the murderer was a failed medical student and was leaving Gainesville.

''Letters like that, we've received at least 30 of those ... I don't believe that's unusual,'' Darnell said.

Calls poured in at the rate of 1,400 per hour to the 150-member task force investigating the murders. Some suspicious sightings turned out to be nothing more than tree branches brushing against the sides of houses, Darnell said.

She said investigators had no physical description of the suspect although they were checking various reports of suspicious sightings from the victims' neighbors.

Terror has gripped the college community since authorities discovered the bodies of the five students earlier this week, all in apartments within 2 miles of the University of Florida campus.

Four of the dead were University of Florida students and the fifth was a student at Santa Fe Community College in Gainesville.

Police believe the killer sought out slender young women with brown hair and forced his way into their apartments to kill them. All the victims fit the description, except for one young man who was the boyfriend of one of the women.

Darnell sought to clarify police reports that the killer knew his victims.

''There is a possibility that the suspect or suspects may have been watching the victims for a short period of time but they were not acquainted in any meaningful way,'' Darnell said.

Mourners jammed the First Baptist Church in Pompano Beach Thursday for the funeral of one of the victims, Sonya Larson, 18, of Deerfield Beach. Her body was cremated.

Larson and her roommate at the University of Florida, Christina P. Powell,

17, of Jacksonville, were found stabbed to death in their apartment late Sunday.

Funerals were scheduled around the state Friday for Powell and the other victims - Christa Hoyt, 18, of Gainesville; Tracey Paules, 23, of Palm Springs North; and Manuel Taboada, 23, of Carol City.

Gainesville Mayor Courtland Collier expressed sympathy for the victims' families and sought to reassure parents of students in Gainesville.

''Neighborhoods are being flooded with police officers. We're doing everything we can,'' Collier said.

The reassurances did little to calm the edgy community. Fearful residents at the Gatorwood apartment complex, where two of the murders occurred, reported hearing breaking glass Thursday and suspected a burglary was in process. Police answering the call were met by residents armed with bats, bricks and bottles.

''It turned out it was a poor maintenance man who broke some glass and was surrounded by eight or nine offiicers,'' Darnell said.

Classes continued on schedule Thursday at the Univerity of Florida, but the few students attending were mostly men.

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#90242u1470 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Some $2.7 billion of Sears, Roebuck & Co. senior debt was placed on credit alert Thursday by Fitch Investors Service Inc., which cited a bleak financial outlook for the nation's largest retailer.

Fitch, which lowered its rating of Chicago-based Sears' senior debt in April, said ''the likelihood of a recession and another poor Christmas selling season, as well as the probability of material write- offs'' could lead to another downgrade.

The rating agency said Sears' first-half results demonstrate a ''dramatically worsening financial situation.''

Sears' merchandise group lost $117 million in the first half, vs. a profit of $36 million in the same period of 1989.

The slumping retailer shifted to an everyday low price strategy in the first half of last year that has failed to catch on with consumers.

''Financial deterioration in this division, the replacement of its chief executive ... and and the planned layoff of several thousand employees

strongly indicate that Sears' strategic focus has not met its objective and overall credit quality is weakening faster than expected,'' Fitch said in a statement.

Fitch also said it expected the company's Coldwell Banker real estate operation ''will continue to lose money given the current downturn in the real estate market.''

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#90242u1473 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

DUBLIN, IRELAND (AUG. 30) UPI - Freed Irish hostage Brian Keenan said Thursday he believed he was kidnapped in Beirut because the pro-Iranian Moslem extremists who seized him thought he was British.

Still pale and visibly shaken by his ordeal of more than four years, Keenan said at an emotional news conference at Dublin Castle that he had tried to learn why he was taken hostage April 11, 1986, shortly after the United States bombed Libya with British support.

''I demanded to know why they had taken me. I refused to eat for six days, and they showed me a copy of The (London) Times,'' which included coverage of the bombing, Keenan said.

''They told me that that (Libyan bombing) was the reason, and I didn't believe them. They thought that I was British,'' said the Belfast-born Keenan, who holds both Irish and British passports.

Keenan, 39, broke down several times during the lengthy news conference when asked about fellow hostages Terry Anderson and Thomas Sutherland, both Americans, and especially Briton John McCarthy, with whom he was held.

''I will do anything, anything, without reservation, that the friends of John of McCarthy or the parents of John McCarthy ask of me,'' he said in a voice choked with emotion.

Keenan described his captors as being about 30 years old, with a mental age of 12.

''Some of them were reasonable, but with limited knowledge of the world. Some of them would not participate in the beatings,'' he said.

''The top leadership never spoke to me directly, and they never spoke about themselves,'' he said. ''We did speak about Iran quite frequently, but they never tried to brainwash me.''

Despite being held in a small, dark, mosquito-filled basement room, often chained to a wall and blindfolded for most ot his captivity, Keenan said

he held no desire for vengeance against his captors.

''I have no desire for retribution,'' he said.

Keenan said he and other hostages had had their lives threatened because of adverse publicity in the American press.

Keenan refused to offer details on what he had earlier told his doctors were frequent beatings during his first months in captivity, saying he would not permit the press to engage in ''voyeurism,'' especially since the lives of other hostages were still at risk.

Instead, he talked of the hostages' daily routine.

''Every day was the same. They gave us a rind of bread, a slice of processed cheese and a cup of tea. For lunch there would be 'dogshead' soup,'' he said, using a disparaging Irish expression. ''Some of the food in the middle period was very bad.''

For the last nine months of his capitivity, until he was released late Aug. 24, Keenan was held in a south Beirut suburb under vastly improved conditions, including daily rations of fruit y?

0 5/8yc had excellent cuisine. The room was frequently cleaned,'' he said.

Keenan said he never lost hope that he would one day be freed.

''I never allowed myself to think that they would shoot me. I kept telling myself and telling them, 'You have taken away from me my liberty. You do not take my freedom. That you can never take,''' he said.

When asked how it felt to be free, Keenan said: ''I spent 4 1/2 years in a hole. How would you feel?''

Keenan said he still was being interviewed by a psychiatrist and must have further dental work done before he can leave the Mater Clinic for his Belfast home.

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#90242u1474 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

JEFFERSON CITY, MO (AUG. 30) UPI - Condemned killer George Gilmore awaited word Thursday on whether the Supreme Court would stay his execution for slaying an 83-year-old woman in a crime spree targeting elderly and handicapped people.

Gilmore, who is confined at the Potosi Correctional Center, was scheduled to receive a lethal injection at 12:01 a.m. Friday.

His attorneys, James Delworth of St. Louis and Kevin Collins of Dallas, filed an appeal earlier this week with Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun and filed another Thursday in U.S. District Court in St. Louis.

In their appeals, defense attorneys argued the jury that convicted Gilmore of first-degree murder should have been told to consider his impoverished childhood and his educational level before recommending the death penalty.

The nation's highest court rejected two previous appeals by Gilmore during his 10-year legal fight to avoid the death penalty.

If the sentence is carried out, Gilmore would be the 136th person executed in the United States since the Supreme Court lifted its ban on capital punishment in 1976. He would be the fourth inmate executed in Missouri in 1990.

Leonard Laws, one of Gilmore's partners in the rampage of murder and robbery, was executed May 17 for his role in one of the crimes. Laws, was executed by injection at Potosi for the 1980 shotgun slayings of an elderly couple.

Gilmore was the leader of a band of thugs who terrorized elderly and handicapped people for several years in east-central Missouri, committing robberies and murders.

His death warrant stemmed from the 1979 murder of Mary Watters, 83, who lived alone in Robertsville. She was shot twice with a revolver during a robbery.

As Gilmore and his accomplices were breaking into Watters' home, the terrified victim fired at Gilmore with a shotgun but missed him. The only loot taken from her home was the shotgun and a small radio. The articles were sold for $20 each. Watters had no money.

Dale Riley, assistant director of the Missouri Division of Adult Institutions, said plans for the execution proceeded on schedule Thursday. He said prison officials were confident the execution would be carried out.

Gilmore, 44, apparently was confident his execution would be stayed, prison officials said. They said he did not request any special last meal and asked to eat regular prison fare several hours before his execution.

Earlier this month, St. Louis County Circuit Judge James Hartenbach rejected Gilmore's request that he be assigned to work as a barber on death row, where he was confined since April 23, 1982.

Gilmore, who was convicted of five murders that produced four death

sentences and a life sentence, said he expected his convictions to be overturned. He said cutting hair would give him ''a substantial opportunity to be a productive citizen upon release from incarceration.'' The condemned prisoner also said it would enable him to collect Social Security benefits.

In rejecting the request, the judge said there were no plans for releasing Gilmore from prison.

Gilmore was an automobile mechanic from Mineral Point, a tiny community located only a few miles from the maximum-security prison at Potosi.

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#90242u1481 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

ST. THOMAS, VIRGIN ISLAND (AUG. 30) UPI - A key prosecution witness in the drug and perjury trial of District of Columbia Mayor Marion Barry was sentenced Thursday to five years unsupervised probation and community service on four drug convictions.

Charles Lewis was sentenced on two counts of cocaine possession and two counts of cocaine distribution in U.S District Court as his relatives looked on.

Lewis, a friend of Barry's and a former D.C. personnel department employee is restricted to the Virgin Islands under the sentencing. The details of his community service were not spelled out.

U.S. Attorney Terry Halpern, in a motion filed with the court Wednesday, asked that Lewis be given ''very favorable consideration'' for cooperating with the government in Barry's drug and perjury trial.

Barry was convicted Aug. 10 of one misdemeanor count of cocaine possession and acquitted on another possession count. U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson declared a mistrial on the 12 remaining counts after the jury said it was deadlocked.

Prosecutors are expected to announce Sept. 17 whether they will retry him on the deadlocked counts.

Lewis could have been sentenced from 41 to 51 months in prison for drug convictions in 1989. He will spend no time in jail.

The motion said Lewis ''testified truthfully'' and provided investigators with information that led to Barry's indictment. It also said Lewis helped provide information about ''program abuses'' in a joint D.C.-Virgin Islands personnel project conducted in 1988. The project came under investigation after officials raised questions about spending.

Lewis's help was ''invaluable to the prosecution of a public official who had been violating the narcotics laws and making false declarations under oath in concealing his drug abuse,'' Halpern said in the motion.

Lewis testified he used crack with Barry in December 1988 at the Ramada Inn in Washington and used cocaine and marijuana with the mayor in the Virgin Islands in 1986 and 1988.

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(AUG. 30) UPI - The head of the United Nations arrived in Amman, Jordan, today in a bid to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis. U-N Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar says he will meet with Iraq's foreign minister tomorrow morning instead of today as previously scheduled. U-N sources in New York indicate that the meeting was delayed because of a scheduling problem, NOT for political reasons.

Leaders of the political arm of NATO want the alliance to re-define the organization's military role in light of the Persian Gulf crisis. Officials say the NATO charter limits the Atlantic Alliance to military action within the European and North Atlantic region. That excludes NATO from actions of crucial interest to the alliance, such as the Persian Gulf. Officials from NATO's political arm urged in Belgium today that changes be made in the NATO charter.

Japan offered one-BILLION dollars in aid today to the multi- national force in the Persian Gulf and to Middle East nations hurt economically by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Japan's finance minister told reporters that the one-BILLION-dollar fund will be used to support the U-S-led multi-national force as well as Jordan, Turkey and Egypt. Yesterday, Japan said it would contribute medical personnel and civilian transport to U-S-led forces in Saudi Arabia and elsewhere in the region.

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(AUG. 30) UPI - West Germany wants to limit total troop strength in a future united Germany to 370-thousand. Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher formally presented the proposal in Vienna today during talks on reducing conventional forces in Europe. West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl agreed to the figure of 370-thousand during talks last month with Soviet President Gorbachev in Moscow.

A federal grand jury in Chicago indicted 29 people in an alleged nation-wide gambling ring based in Chicago's Chinatown. The On Leong Chinese Merchants Association... one of Chinatown's most influential

organizations... was among four groups named in the indictment. Officials allege that the gambling ring also operated in New York City, Detroit, Minneapolis, Pittsburgh, Atlanta and Houston... starting in some areas as early as 1974.

Hurricane Gustav and the remnants of Tropical Storm Hortense are plowing northward over the open Atlantic, posing little threat except to shipping interests. Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami say both storms are two to three days away from Bermuda and it's too early to tell whether the island will be threatened. Gustav's maximum sustained winds are near 90 miles an hour.

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COLOMBO, SRI LANKA (AUG. 30) UPI - Security forces airlifted soldiers, food and weapons into a military camp that has been besieged for four days by Tamil rebels firing rockets and mortars, a senior defense official said Thursday.

Ranjan Wijeratne, the minister of state for defense, told reporters that helicopters of the Sri Lankan air force carried out the rescue operation Wednesday morning despite heavy gunfire from guerrillas of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam.

Hundreds of Tamil rebels surrounded the Sri Lankan military camp in Mullaitivu, 240 miles northeast of Colombo, Monday and pounded the base with rockets and mortars. At least six soldiers were killed and 40 wounded in the fighting.

Wijeratne said at least 100 Tamil militants were killed in the attack.

Helicopters were dispatched Wednesday to evacuate the wounded soldiers, he said. One helicopter landed amid heavy mortar fire and ferried 40 wounded soldiers to a newly built hospital in Anuradhapura town, the defense official said.

Authorities have said the rebel attack on the base was aimed at diverting the military's attention from a week-long offensive in nearby Jaffna, where the army has been trying to break a siege around a 300- year-old Dutch-built fort.

About 200 Sri Lankan soldiers have been trapped inside the fort since mid-June, when hostilities erupted between the Tamil rebels and the Sri Lankan government.

More than 2,600 soldiers, rebels and civilians have been killed mid-June, when Tamil guerrillas simultaneously attacked four military camps in

eastern Sri Lanka.

Tiger rebels are fighting to establish a separate Tamil nation in northern and eastern Sri Lanka. They claim that the country's minority Tamil community, which is mostly Hindu, needs a separate nation because of years of discrimination by the majority sinhalese, who are predominantly Buddhist and who control the Colombo government.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) UPI - Early findings suggest the experimental drug DDI may prolong AIDS patients' lives as long or longer than AZT, the only goverment-approved drug to combat the AIDS virus, researchers said Thursday.

Government scientists said their study of 58 patients with AIDS or a complex of AIDS-related symptoms, called ARC, showed 88 percent of patients were alive 21 months after starting dideoxyinosine, or DDI, treatment. That compares with a 50 percent survival rate at 21 months among similar patients in early tests of zidovudine or AZT, and the 25 percent survival rate at 21 months found in the past among patients who received no treatment

''We were quite taken by the survival of patients. It is pretty good,'' said Dr. Robert Yarchoan of the National Cancer Institute, who co-authored the study published in the British journal Lancet.

Yarchoan emphasized the study was small and did not directly compare the effectiveness of AZT, which is made by Burroughs Wellcome Co., of Research Triangle Park, N.C., with DDI, made by Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. of New York. Tests to directly compare the two drugs in up to 2,500 AIDS patients are now underway, and results should be available in about a year.

However, the early findings ''suggest DDI has a shot at being a good, first-line drug,'' Yarchoan said.

''This gives you a sneak preview. It increases the odds those studies are going to be positive,'' he said. ''DDI is looking at least as good as AZT ... but I don't think you can conclude which is better from this.''

Neither AZT nor DDI, which both attack an enzyme the virus needs to reproduce, is a cure for AIDS. But both appear to slow the disease's lethal progression.

One problem with AZT has been that its toxic side effects like anemia and bone marrow suppression have forced about one-third of AIDS patients to discontinue treatment. About 15 percent to 20 percent of AIDS patients

have had to discontinue DDI due to side effects like pain in nerve endings and potentially fatal inflammation of the pancreas, Yarchoan said.

Because the two AIDS drugs carry different toxicities and likely also generate different drug resistance, researchers hope it may be possible to extend AIDS patients' lives even further with treatments that alternate the two agents.

Currently, about 10,000 Americans with AIDS or symptoms of AIDS are taking DDI in traditional government-sponsored tests or in a new ''expanded access'' plan in which Bristol-Myers provides the drug free to people unable to participate in such tests.

The study pointed out one major benefit DDI may have over AZT: increasing levels of vital immune cells, rather than just keeping the levels from dropping further.

''With DDI, in people who were not previously on AZT for longer than four months, we see a very good rise in CD-4 counts (counts of immune cells targeted by the AIDS virus) that is higher and more pso'onged than with AZT,'' Yarchoan said. The positive effect on immune cell counts - an average increse of 18 percent persisting for at least nine months - was significantly less pronounced among patients who previously received long-term AZT therapy.

NCI researchers said those findings may explain why immune cell counts have not gone up substantially in patients receiving DDI through the expanded access program since most have received AZT for six months before going on DDI. The study also found high levels of fatty substances called triglycerides in the blood may predict pancreatic inflammation, offering doctors a possible way of catching that side effect before it poses a serious threat to patients.

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TALLAHASSEE, FL (AUG. 30) UPI - Attorney General Bob Butterworth accused Phillips Petroleum on Thursday of selling gasoline to its independent distributors at a higher wholesale price than the retail price charged at its company-operated stations.

In a complaint to a Broward County Circuit Court, Butterworth requested an immediate injunction to halt the alleged price- discrimination practices by Phillips. He also asked the court to fine the company $5,000 for each violation.

According to Butterworth, Phillips was selling gasoline at its company-owned stations anywhere from 5 cents to 10 cents a gallon less

than the price it was charging the independent operators.

The action came one day after independent station operators from south Florida held a news conference to complain about the higher gasoline prices they had to pay compared to those paid by company-owned gas stations.

The independents say they have had to pass the higher prices they have been forced to pay since the Iraqi invasion along to consumers, causing them to lose customers as motorists search for the lowest gas prices available.

''The evidence gathered thus far suggests that independent jobbers and distributors could buy Phillips gas cheaper at a company-operated station than by buying wholesale direct from the company,'' Butterworth said.

''Ultimately, it is consumers who are penalized by the lack of meaningful competition,'' said Butterworth, adding that such actions are a violation of Florida's Motor Fuel Marketing Practices Act.

The act makes it unlawful ''for any refiner engaged in commerce in this state to sell any grade or quality of fuel at a retail outlet below refiner cost, where the intent is to injure competition.''

The move against Phillips, which is based in Bartlesville, Okla., was the first such action taken by the state of Florida since gas prices began to rise after the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq.

At least one other state has brought price-gouging charges against a major oil company, said Trisha Spillan of the attorney general's office. North Carolina officials recently filed suit against Exxon Corp.

In announcing the action against Phillips, Butterworth warned that his office will also begin issuing subpoenas to operators of service stations ''in any area of Florida where gas prices appear to be unreasonably out of line (from prices)in the rest of the state.''

Previously, subpoenas have been issued only to oil companies.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) UPI - The State Department accused the Iraqi government Thursday of entangling Western women and children in a web of bureaucratic red tape and confusion, putting them on an ''emotional roller coaster'' that is both inhumane and disgraceful.

The assessment was made more than two days after President Saddam Hussein

had announced that Western women and children would be free to leave Iraq and Kuwait, if they chose to go.

But State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said that no Westerners have been able to leave, and Iraqi authorities are putting out a bewildering and sometimes conflicting set of orders about what paperwork would be required.

In the latest version presented to American officials in Baghdad, the procedures require a list of all those who wish to leave. Each woman on the list has to write a letter, saying she wants to depart. That letter has to be accompanied by a translation into Arabic, and a certification from an Iraqi fiscal ministry certifying that all taxes have been paid.

Although it has not been made clear, American officials believe that women who wanted to leave Kuwait might be forced to make the arduous road trip to Baghdad from Kuwait in order to get the necessary stamps and exit visas.

However, some Iraqi officials are reported to be giving different instructions, including a demand for the address of each person wishing to leave. Some Western dependents have told U.S. officials they will not supply their address, since that will give the Iraqis the information needed to pick up their husbands who will be left behind.

Tutwiler said no American women have been permitted to leave. She said, ''This emotional roller coaster is inhumane and disgraceful.''

The Iraqi ambassador to Washington, Mohamed al-Mashat, speaking to reporters after an hour-long session with State Department officials, said that the procedures ''are normal, given the circumstances.''

Tutwiler said, ''These are not normal circumstances.''

She said, ''The decent thing to do is to waive the routine, normal bureaucratic processes.''

Both Tutwiler and al-Mashat denied that there was an official Iraqi request that charter planes, if they were to be used for the evacuation, would have to carry in food and medicine for the Iraqi population.

Al-Mashat called the report, ''Nonsense. Absolutely not true.''

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RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NC (AUG. 30) UPI - Glaxo Inc. has acquired the rights to a class of natural compounds that come from Chinese trees and shows promise for fighting cancer, executives said.

Glaxo and Research Triangle Institute reached an agreement, announced Wednesday, giving the pharmaceuticl company world-wide development and marketing rights to compounds called campotothecin analogues.

Glaxo secured a worldwide license giving it rights to the compounds which were invented at the Research Triangle Institute, an independent research organization.

In return, Glaxo will provide a grant to the institute to support rsearch into the compounds and also agreed to pay the institute royalities. Terms of the grant and the royalty arrangement were not disclosed.

The analogues' parent compound, camptothecin, is isolated from Camptotheca acuminata, a variety of tree that grows in China.

The synthetically produced analogues have key differences in their chemical structures, resulting in a new compound that may prove useful against cancer.

Glaxo executives said camptothecin analogues have shown promise in inhibiting an enzyme required for cell reproduction. In early tests the compounds appear to work through a different mechanism than anti-cancer drugs currently available.

''We're obviously pleased with the opportunity to explore compounds that may show activity in an area where new therapies are so desperately needed '' said Dr. Charles A. Sanders, Glaxo Inc.'s chief executive officer. ''One of our key strategies is to provide new treatments for unmet patient needs, and this agreement holds promise in helping us fulfill that goal.''

Dr. Monroe E. Wall, RTI's chief scientist for chemistry and life sciences, said the partnership is good for both organizations. He said cancer patients may benefit from the transaction in the future.

''Taking a compound into the clinic and possibly to market involves resources far beyond what the Institute could provide alone,'' he said. ''We're delighted with Glaxo's involvement.''

About one million new cases of cancer are diagnosed each year in the United States. It is the country's second leading cause of death after heart disease.

Sanders added that Glaxo's acquisition of rights to camptothecin analogues was further evidence of the company's commitment to cancer research.

Glaxo researches, develops, manufactures and markets prescription medicines, including those for the treatment of gastrointestinal disorders

respiratory ailments, cardiovascular diseases, infectious diseases and diseases of the skin. Glaxo Inc. is a subsidiary of London- based Glaxo Holdings PLC.

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SAN ANTONIO (AUG. 30) UPI - A squadron of Texas military reservists was pressed into active duty within 24 hours of the deaths of nine colleagues who had volunteered their services in support of Operation Desert Shield.

The Air Force disclosed Thursday that the 230-member 68th Military Airlift Squadron, part of the all-reserve 433rd Military Airlift Wing based at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio, was activated Wednesday night.

Nine members of the 433rd were among the 13 people killed Tuesday night in the fiery crash of a military C-5A cargo plane in West Germany en route to Saudi Arabia with supplies for U.S. troops stationed there.

Seven of the dead were members of the 68th. One of the four injured survivors also is a member of the 68th. Two of the dead worked for a maintenance division of the 433rd.

More than 200 members of the 433rd, including most members of the 68th, had been volunteering their services in support of Operation Desert Shield since Aug. 5, repairing planes and ferrying cargo and troops to the Middle East in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

Staff Sgt. Timothy Warren, a spokesman for the 443rd, said the activation of the 68th had nothing to do with the deaths of the volunteers.

''It's just unfortunate it all happened at the same time,'' Warren said.

''It's just that the Department of Defense felt a need to have the people activated. We've been doing a lot of missions, hauling a lot of things, and reached the point where we couldn't do it with volunteers,'' he said.

The 68th is made up of the pilots, flight engineers and load masters that fly the 433rd's fleet of 15 giant C-5A Galaxy cargo planes. The C-5A is the largest aircraft outside the Soviet Union and is capable of carrying 85 tons.

Supervisors at the 433rd spent Thursday notifying members of their units about the 90-day call-up period, which can be extended by Congress.

Prior to the call-up, supervisors had been working around the civilian job schedules of reservists who volunteered their services for a few days at a time, Warren said.

Supervisors found it especially hard to juggle the schedules of reserve pilots, many of whom were commercial airline pilots trying to work around their civilian flight schedules.

''Even though people are coming out, there were some people who just couldn't get away from their jobs,'' he said.

The deaths of the first reservists killed during Operation Desert Shield did not slow volunteer transport missions that still were under way Wednesday.

And Air Force officials said there had been no decrease in the number of volunteers as a result. ''If anything, people are more motivated right now '' Warren said. ''They realize the seriousness of what we're doing.''

Still, the mood was somber a day after the news of the deaths filtered back to San Antonio.

''When people greet you in the hallway, it's not jolly. People are just resolved to working. They're coping with the loss,'' Warren said.

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(AUG. 30) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Domco Industries (3rd Q 7-28)	
$23,710,000	$29,862,000
$288,000 (.04)	d-$541,000

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Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Genovese Drug Stores Inc (2nd Q 8-17)	
$96,866,000	$91,121,000
$795,000 (.12)	$397,000 (.06)

Harman Intl Indus (4th Q 6-30)	
$151,004,000	$135,751,000
$2,436,000 (.27)	$3,789,000 (.44)

Lechters Inc (2nd Q 7-28)	
$36,616,000	$30,736,000
$394,000 (.05)	$204,000 (.03)

Mitchell Energy (2nd Q 7-31)

$160,149,000 $148,476,000
$5,093,000 (.11) $6,499,000 (.14)

Oshawa Group (2nd Q 8-11)
$1,609,537,000 $1,522,583,000
$23,991,000 (.66) $21,085,000 (.65)

Scott's Hospitality (1st Q 7-31)
$239,563,000 $221,492,000
$17,622,000 (.30) $20,896,000 (.35)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Shoney's Inc (3rd Q 8-5)
$228,364,000 $208,733,000
$9,566,000 (.24) $6,186,000 (.16)

Stewart & Stevenson (2nd Q 7-31)
$160,006,000 $146,378,000
$7,542,000 (.51) $6,439,000 (.47)

Sunrise Medical Inc (4th Q 6-29)
$47,729,000 $40,948,000
$2,160,000 (.47) $1,591,000 (.36)

Toll Brothers Inc (3rd Q 7-31)
$55,399,000 $48,925,000
$2,966,000 (.10) $3,894,000 (.13)

Toronto Dominion Bank (3rd Q 7-31)
$140,341,000 $172,696,000
$101,300,000 (.42) $62,500,000 (.55)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Wiley John & Sons Inc (1st Q 7-31)
$75,387,000 $73,396,000
$2,145,000 (.48) $1,839,000 (.41)

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#90242u1698 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (AUG. 30) UPI - Engineers worked to resolve trouble with a telescope aboard the shuttle Columbia Thursday and geared up for fueling Friday that will determine if the presumably leak-free orbiter can take off Saturday as planned.

''We're just as enthusiastic as we ever were about having an absolutely first-class, state-of-the art scientific mission and we hope to come back having seen some things that nobody's ever seen before,'' astronaut

Jeffrey Hoffman said of the planned 10-day astronomy mission.

If all goes well, Columbia and its seven-man crew will blast off at 1:17 a.m. EDT Saturday to kick off NASA's first shuttle flight in four months after a disappointing summer of fuel leaks that grounded the shuttle fleet and wrecked the space agency's launch schedule.

Hoping for the best, Hoffman, 45, commander Vance Brand, 59, co- pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46, flew to Florida Wednesday night for final preparations.

Out at launch pad 39A Thursday, engineers spent the day troubleshooting an apparent problem with the Broad Band X-ray Telescope, one of four astronomical instruments mounted in Columbia's payload bay.

Ground data from the high-tech telescope was interrupted and then lost when Columbia's left-hand payload bay door was closed for launch earlier this week, prompting speculation that a cable relaying data to the launch control center was somehow damaged.

Tests were scheduled Thursday to make sure the telescope's radio data transmission system was working properly. Otherwise, Columbia's countdown ticked smoothly toward zero with Air Force meteorologists predicting a 60 percent chance of acceptable conditions at launch time.

''We're looking forward to a 1:17 a.m. launch Saturday morning and we're glad to be back in business,'' said NASA test director Albert Sofge.

Once in orbit, the astronauts plan to work around the clock in two shifts training their ''Astro-1'' telescopes on the most violent objects in the universe to learn more about the structure and evolution of the cosmos by studying high-energy light that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

But first, Columbia must get past fuel loading Friday afternoon without springing any hydrogen fuel leaks like the one that grounded the spaceship May 29, the night before the shuttle's first launch attempt.

The leak ultimately was traced to Columbia's 17-inch-wide hydrogen ''disconnect'' fitting, a massive connector that allows the shuttle's external tank to be jettisoned in space.

Columbia's disconnect was replaced with one taken from the new shuttle Endeavour and, after Atlantis was grounded by a similar leak in July, Brand and his colleagues were cleared for another launch try this week.

After extensive tests, engineers blamed Columbia's leak on tiny glass beads that somehow got inside the disconnect fitting and scratched

critical seals. Whether a similar problem crippled Atlantis remains to be seen, but engineers said they were confident Columbia is leak-free.

If an unacceptable leak does appear, however, it is unlikely it could be fixed at the launch pad, raising the prospect of another lengthy launch delay.

But Brand told reporters he was optimistic about an on-time liftoff.

''We're ready to go,'' he said. ''We have a great ship out there ... and we have all the confidence in the world in that machine, Columbia. It's a great ship.''

The goal of the flight is to extend humanity's vision into the invisible ultraviolet and X-ray regions of the electromagnetic spectrum.

Unlike the Hubble Space Telescope, launched from Discovery April 25 during the most recent previous shuttle flight, the ''Astro'' telescopes aboard Columbia will remain mounted in the shuttle's payload bay throughout the flight.

To collect as much data as possible, Columbia's crew will work in two 12-hour shifts throughout the flight with Brand, Gardner and Lounge responsible for keeping the shuttle shipshape and pointed in the right direction. The telescopes will be operated by Parker, Hoffman, Parise and Durrance.

Along with accomplishing the primary goal of the mission - turning Columbia into an operational observatory - the shuttle fliers also plan to participate in a NASA educational pilot program, teaching an astronomy lesson from space that will be beamed into middle school classrooms back on Earth.

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ATLANTA (AUG. 30) UPI - Government researchers may have identified the substance that contaminated the dietary supplement L-tryptophan and caused a potentially deadly blood disorder in at least 1,500 Americans, a report said Thursday.

An analysis of an agent suspected as the cause of the muscle- weakening disease eosinophilia myalgia syndrome or EMS shows it is similar in structure to the amino acid itself, a U.S. Centers for Disease Control report said.

The researchers found the substance, called di-tryptophan aminal of acetaldehyde, by analyzing samples of L-tryptophan taken by people

stricken by EMS, the CDC said in its Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report.

Symptoms of the rare disorder include severe muscle pain, fatigue, breathing difficulties, cough, skin rashes, swelling of the arms and legs and fever. Some symptoms disappear while others persist or reappear. In some cases, patients have signs of heart failure and paralysis.

The over-the-counter supplement was commonly taken for insomnia, premenstrual syndrome, stress reduction and other ailments before the FDA ordered it off the market after the EMS outbreak surfaced.

As of Aug. 24, 1,536 EMS cases had been reported in the United States and Puerto Rico. Twenty-seven people have died from the disease.

Minnesota and Oregon health officials found earlier this year that EMS cases only occurred among people who had ingested the supplement manufactured by one of six Japanese producers, a company called Showa Denko K.K. of Tokyo.

The researchers concluded the disease was caused by a substance used in the company's unique method of processing L-tryptophan or a byproduct of that process.

Work since that discovery has been focused on isolating and reproducing the substance in the contaminated supply so it can be tested in animals to determine if it, in fact, causes the disease.

''It may be the causative agent or it may only be a marker of the process that produces the causative agent,'' said Larry Needham, a CDC chemist working to confirm that the L-tryptophan derivative causes EMS. ''Until we take this compound and test it in animals to see if it produces EMS or EMS-like symptoms, we cannot definitely be sure it is the cause.''

Dr. Michael Osterholm, Minnesota state epidemiologist, said researchers in his laboratory, have arrived at similar conclusions about the same substance.

''It is statistically very strongly implicated as the one chemical constitutent that differed in its presence in products used by cases versus product used by healthy people,'' Osterholm said. ''And when it was present, it was present in higher levels.''

The Minnesota Department of Health, working with researchers at the Mayo Clinic, reported Aug. 9 that the mystery agent may have been introduced by a 1988 change in the company's manufacturing process.

That change included altering a bacterium through genetic engineering techniques to produce greater quantities of the amino acid and reducing

the amount of charcoal used for purification.

The contamination could have been caused by the new bacteria, the reduced charcoal, or a combination of the two, the researchers said.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 30) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	75.95	76.30	75.90	76.20	76.07
Dec	74.25	74.80	74.15	74.60	74.27
Feb	73.85	74.30	73.82	74.00	73.92
Apr	75.05	75.22	74.90	74.95	75.02
Jun	73.10	73.20	72.90	72.97	73.10
Aug	71.65	71.65	71.15	71.15	71.40
Oct	71.60	71.60	71.25	71.25	71.60

Est. sales 9,399 contracts; Wednesday 14,415; open interest 68,601 up 290.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Aug	88.82	88.90	88.80	88.82	88.77
Sep	86.10	86.70	86.10	86.45	86.07
Oct	84.65	85.30	84.60	84.97	84.75
Nov	84.75	85.30	84.70	85.07	84.82
Jan	84.32	84.80	84.32	84.60	84.35
Mar	83.05	83.60	83.05	83.15	83.30
Apr	82.45	82.60	82.45	82.55	82.27
May	....	81.50	....	81.25	81.50

Est. sales 1,568 contracts; Wednesday 1,435; open interest 11,452 off 214.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	49.00	49.25	48.70	48.72	48.82
Dec	50.00	50.30	49.65	49.70	49.95
Feb	47.85	48.10	47.70	47.82	47.95
Apr	44.97	45.15	44.80	44.87	44.87
Jun	49.02	49.20	48.90	49.10	48.97
Jly	49.25	49.35	49.05	49.15	49.17
Aug	....	48.20	47.80	48.00	48.00
Oct	....	43.75	43.70	43.80	43.95

Est. sales 3,701 contracts; Wednesday 3,859; open interest 27,737 up 99.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	52.70	53.12	51.80	51.87	52.60
Mar	52.55	52.90	51.55	51.75	52.52
May	53.50	53.75	52.80	53.15	53.20
Jly	53.05	53.60	52.40	52.75	53.20

Est. sales 2,318 contracts; Wednesday 2,192; open interest 5,825 up 85.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 120.21 down 29 cents, 700-850 lbs. 119.12 down 43 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 114.24 down 12 cents, 700-850 lbs. 114.33 down 10 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow to moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins not established; Boston butts $5.50 to $9.50 lower; skinned hams steady; seedless bellies $1.00 to $4.00 lower; butts 4-8 lb 64.00-73.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 91.00-93.00, 20-26 lbs. 89.50- 91.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 36.00, 12-16 lbs.38.00, 20-25 lbs. 36.50.

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CHICAGO (AUG. 30) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.74 1/2	2.74 1/2	2.66 1/2	2.66 3/4	2.75 3/4
Dec	2.88 1/2	2.89	2.82 1/2	2.83	2.90 1/4
Mar	2.99 1/2	2.99 1/2	2.93 3/4	2.94	3.00 1/2
May	3.05	3.05	3.00 1/2	3.01 1/2	3.06
Jly	3.10	3.10	3.05 1/2	3.08	3.11
Sep	3.11	3.13 1/2	3.11	3.12 1/2	3.16
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.49 1/4	2.49 1/2	2.45	2.45 1/4	2.50
Dec	2.36 3/4	2.37 1/2	2.33 1/4	2.33 1/2	2.37 3/4
Mar	2.45 1/4	2.45 3/4	2.42	2.42 1/4	2.46
May	2.51 1/4	2.52 1/2	2.49	2.49 1/4	2.53
Jly	2.56	2.57 1/4	2.53 1/4	2.53 1/2	2.57
Sep	2.55 1/2	2.56 1/4	2.53	2.53	2.55 1/2
Dec	2.55	2.56 1/4	2.53	2.53 1/4	2.55 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.03	1.03 3/4	1.01	1.01	1.04 3/4
Dec	1.16 1/4	1.16 3/4	1.14	1.14 1/4	1.17 3/4
Mar	1.28 1/4	1.28 1/2	1.26	1.26	1.29 1/2
May	1.35	1.35	1.33	1.33 1/4	1.35 3/4
Jly	1.40	1.40 3/4	1.39 1/2	1.39 3/4	1.42
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					

Sep	6.05	6.09	6.00 3/4	6.02 1/2	6.05 1/4
Nov	6.20	6.23 1/2	6.15 1/2	6.17	6.19 1/2
Jan	6.32 1/2	6.36 3/4	6.29	6.30 1/2	6.33 3/4
Mar	6.45 1/2	6.50	6.42	6.43 1/2	6.46
May	6.52 1/2	6.56 1/2	6.50	6.50 3/4	6.53 1/2
Jly	6.61 1/2	6.63	6.55 1/2	6.58	6.60 1/4
Aug	6.54	6.54	6.51	6.51	6.56
Sep	6.37	6.37	6.34	6.35	6.36
Nov	6.29	6.29	6.24	6.25 3/4	6.26 3/4

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Sep	24.08	24.63	24.00	24.33	24.11
Oct	24.04	24.48	23.91	24.18	24.05
Dec	24.00	24.57	23.90	24.18	24.03
Jan	24.08	24.60	24.04	24.28	24.15
Mar	24.25	24.70	24.23	24.40	24.30
May	24.35	24.85	24.31	24.50	24.46
Jly	24.44	24.75	24.42	24.55	24.52
Aug	24.30	24.30	24.25	24.25	24.15

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	176.00	176.50	174.20	174.30	176.60
Oct	178.50	178.50	176.20	176.30	178.80
Dec	182.30	182.30	180.00	180.10	182.70
Jan	184.00	184.00	181.50	181.50	184.20
Mar	186.10	186.50	184.50	184.50	187.10
May	188.40	188.50	186.50	186.50	189.50
Jly	190.00	190.00	188.00	188.50	190.70
Aug	189.00	189.00	187.50	187.50	190.00

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(AUG. 30) UPI - Iraq's ambassador to Washington says there is NO truth to reports that Baghdad is demanding that Western governments with citizens detained in Iraq fly in food and medicine to provide for the detainees' needs. The denial came as Western journalists were allowed for the first time to speak with the foreigners in Iraqi custody.

Efforts toward a negotiated end to the Persian Gulf crisis continued as U-N Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar arrived in the Jordanian capital for talks with Iraq's foreign minister. And in Cairo today, at least one dozen of the Arab League's 22 members are expected to show up for a meeting about Iraq's aggression.

Residents of tornado-stricken communities southwest of Chicago are in the process of piecing their lives back together three days after a vicious twister ripped through the region. Officials in hard-hit Plainfield,

Illinois, have called in structural engineers to determine if still-standing buildings are safe, and insurance companies are on hand to begin responding to claims.

Final preparations are under way for the scheduled Saturday launch of the shuttle Columbia at Cape Canaveral. NASA officials are keeping an eye on weather conditions, which Air Force forecasters say should be O-K for liftoff. Space agency technicians are spending today trying to fix a problem affecting one of the four telescopes the craft carries in its payload.

Bloodshed has been averted for the time-being in Armenia... where an illegal nationalist group today laid down its arms. The surrender of weapons by the Armenian National Army came after the southern Soviet republic's Interior Ministry troops surrounded rebel headquarters. However it is reported that some 50 armed fighters escaped government forces.

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#90242u1747 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 20 to 24 points lower. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	11.08	11.10	10.75	10.83	11.05
Mar	10.82	10.84	10.51	10.60	10.80
May	10.86	10.88	10.55	10.61	10.83
Jly	10.84	10.84	10.54	10.62	10.83
Oct	10.93	10.93	10.69	10.70	10.94

Estimated sales: 25,322 contracts
Open interest: 120,475 off 1,508
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.89

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday 1 to 4 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.39	23.40	23.39	23.40	23.39
Jan	23.10	23.16	23.10	23.16	23.12
Mar	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.01	22.97
May	23.02	23.02	23.02	23.02	23.01
Jly	23.02	23.02	23.02	23.02	23.01
Sep	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	22.96
Nov	22.78	22.78	22.78	22.78	22.76

Estimated sales: 1,121 contracts
Open interest: 10,687 up 306

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#90242u1761 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - The Philippine government is ready to hold preliminary talks with communist guerrillas for a cease-fire in metropolitan Manila and regions devastated by a July 16th earthquake. The government earlier ignored a communist truce made shortly after the quake but has decided to talk following a two-week rash of bombings.

Five people were injured today in Joliet, Illinois... just west of Chicago... when a Red Cross truck that was helping victims of Tuesday's deadly tornadoes in Will County exploded. The truck was parked at an intersection next to a propane tank. Officials believe the tank exploded first... setting off the truck blast.

Prison officials in Jefferson City, Missouri, say condemned killer George Gilmore appears confident that U-S Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun will stay his execution, scheduled for just after midnight. Gilmore has NOT ordered a last meal, even though the high court twice has rejected his appeals to avoid the death penalty.

A 33-year-old Jonesville, Michigan, man is free on 100-thousand dollars bond after confessing to the murder and mutilation of his 19- year-old live-in girlfriend. Jeffrey Van Patten told police that he shot Kimberly Knight with a shotgun, burned the body, cut it into pieces and then fed them to his dogs.

Florida Attorney General Bob Butterworth filed a complaint against Phillips Petroleum today, charging the oil company with price-gouging. Butterworth says Phillips Petroleum has been charging its independent distributors more for gasoline than it charges company-operated service stations.

#90242u1792 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) UPI - The United States sent its first combat troops from Europe to Saudi Arabia and ordered Air Force F-16 fighters from Spain to Qatar - the second gulf nation to publicly open its bases to U.S. forces in two weeks, the Pentagon said Thursday.

For the second consecutive day, U.S. naval forces in the Red Sea boarded two commercial vessels - a Sri Lankan and a Panamanian ship bound for Jordan's port of Aqaba - but allowed them to proceed when it was determined they were not carrying embargoed goods for Iraq, Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said.

The United States has intercepted, mostly by radio contact, about 250 ships in the Persian Gulf and the Red Sea since the U.S. intercept operation began Aug. 16, Williams said. Slightly more than 10 have been boarded, he said.

At the same time, the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy and its escort ships moved Thursday from the Atlantic Ocean into the Mediterranean, where it is expected to relieve the carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The United States is maintaining three aircraft carrier battle groups in the Middle East, providing strong sea and air firepower in the region. The USS Independence is in the Gulf of Oman; the USS Saratoga is in the Red Sea.

Williams announced that the tiny gulf nation of Qatar had agreed to allow U.S. forces to use its bases in support of Operation Desert Shield, the military effort in Saudi Arabia and the gulf to deter Iraqi aggression.

He said F-16 Fighting Falcon fighters from the 401st Tactical Fighter Wing at Torrejon Air Base in Sxbeing sent to Qatar. He declined to disclose numbers, but 48 of the wing's 72 planes were believed going.

''The first elements left Spain yesterday and have now arrived in Spain,'' Williams said.

Qatar became the second gulf nation to publicly accept U.S. forces on its soil in as many weeks. The United Arab Emirates announced it had opened up its bases to C-130 Air Force cargo planes on Aug. 20, when Defense Secretary Dick Cheney was visiting there. Oman also is believed to be helping, but has not acknowledged it publicly.

Williams also announced that ''elements of the U.S. Army Europe's 12th Aviation Brigade and aviation elements of the 3rd Armored Division are now deploying to Saudi Arabia'' from West Germany.

These are the first U.S. combat troops to be sent to Saudi Arabia from Europe, but Williams said this had been previously planned and was not a change in the U.S. military's buildup. Previously, only medical and cargo-hauling speciality units had been sent from Europe.

The combat units from Europe were taking AH-64 Apache attack helicopters, UH-60 Blackhawk utility helicopters, OH-58 observation helicopters, CH-47 Chinook cargo-hauling helicopters and UH-1 Huey utility helicopters, he said.

A U.S. official said between 60,000 and 70,000 American troops are now in Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield. A total of more than 100,000 are expected to be in place by the first week of October.

Williams dismissed reports of long delays in getting tanks and other heavy armor over to Saudi Arabia, saying there had been ''problems with a couple of fast sealift ships'' but that he was ''unaware of any big problem.''

''I think overall that the lift operation has gone pretty well,'' he said, adding that the United States has shipped more people and material to Saudi Arabia in three weeks than it moved during the first three months of the Korean War.

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#90242u1820 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 30) UPI - A federal appeals court Thursday dismissed Las Vegas singer Wayne Newton's $5 million libel judgment against NBC, ruling the evidence failed to show malice toward Newton. The original $19 million jury verdict was the largest libel award in American history.

Three NBC stories in 1980 and 1981 claimed Newton had financed his 1980 purchase of the Aladdin Hotel with mob money and that organized crime figures were the hidden ownership behind the resort.

A Las Vegas jury found National Broadcasting Company, Inc. guilty of defaming Newton in the broadcasts and awarded him $19 million in damages. The trial judge in February 1989 reduced the amount to $5.2 million.

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stories were designed to curry favor with Tonight Show host Johnny Carson.

Carson lost out to Newton in a bid to buy the Aladdin Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas in 1980. Testimony indicated the $85 million Alladin purchase was funded by the Valley Bank of Nevada. Sued along with NBC were journalists Brian Ross and Ira Silverman, who were involved in the story.

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#90242u1835 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (AUG. 30) UPI - Three bombs exploded in different cities around Pakistan Thursday, killing at least 11 people and injuring 38, security officials said.

The most powerful blast killed seven passengers on a crowded train traveling from the northern city of Rawalpindi to Lahore in eastern Punjab province. Other passengers waiting at a nearby station rushed the injured to hospital, officials said.

The blast occurred when the train was pulling into the station in the

small town of Kalyam Awan about 18 miles from the capital.

Other explosions occurred in the towns of Faisalabad and Muredeke, but officials refused to link the three blasts. No group has claimed responsibility for causing the explosions and it was not immediately clear whether the bombs were aimed at any particular group of people.

The political situation in Pakistan has been tense since Aug. 6 when the president sacked Benazir Bhutto's government, charging it with corruption and nepotism. He declared a state of emergency throughout the country, and formed a caretaker government to run until elections scheduled for Oct. 24.

The interim government has committed itself to assessing the ''accountability'' of all members of the previous National Assembly. It has set up special tribunals to hold rapid trials of those who have, in its view, committed offenses ''shocking to public morality or had led to public outrage.''

Last Wednesday, 26 people were killed in the southern port of Karachi when groups armed with sophisticated automatic weapons opened fire on a political rally in several parts of the city.

Nearly 50 people have been arrested so far in connection with the killings most of them associated with Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party. Some analysts have accused anti-PPP forces of organizing the attack in order to incriminate Bhutto and so prevent her from contesting the elections.

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#90242u1850 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
MEXICO CITY (AUG. 30) UPI - Mexico, the U.S.'s third-largest trading partner, will soon request President Bush to start negotiations on a free trade agreement, U.S. officials said Thursday, adding the talks may last as long as five years.

"If our free trade negotiations with Canada are any indication, I think negotiations with Mexico should take between four and five years," said a U.S. Embassy official. He said soon after Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari requests the negotiations to begin, Bush will seek Congressional approval to do so.

The U.S. official did not say when Salinas would make the formal request, but emphasized, "the request is forthcoming fairly quickly. It should be relatively soon."

Another U.S. diplomat, who also spoke on the condition of anonymity, said if Salinas wants to accelerate the process he must send the request within the next 14 to 15 days. He noted Congress is scheduled to resume its session during the second week of September. "If Salinas delays the request, he will have to wait until next year," said the diplomat.

Bush and Salinas, who met in Washington in June, jointly announced negotiations would begin next year on the free trade agreement that would include trade barriers, tariffs, investements, goods, services, copyrights and trademarks.

The U.S. Embassy official said that negotiations with Mexico will be a very tedious process because so many issues are involved between the two nations that share a 1,933-mile long border.

U.S.-Mexican bilateral trade rose to about $53 billion in 1989, and is likely to reach some $56-57 billion this year. Mexico had a trade surplus of $2.2 billion in 1989 with the United States. Mexico's trade surplus with Washington during January-March of this year was reported at $880 million.

"A lot of areas will be a basis for negotiations and their success will depend on how much both sides want to achieve," said the official. "I cannot tell you what would be the sticking points but Mexico would like to include labor as service. Our reaction to that is fairly obvious and that is 'No.'"

He said there are some agricultural products that would also create some problems, but significant progress could be made in areas such as tourism

and telecommunications.

"Mexicans are eagerly interested in the U.S. market... They are literally looking for a free trade agreement as we have with Canada. This is an ideal time to negotiate the agreement," said the official. "I think both economies will be significantly better off. There will be no losers, no winners."

The diplomat said the idea of a free trade agreement with Mexico has yet to draw attention of potential supporters and critics in the United States. "I think when the process begins, interested groups would start lobbying in favor or against," said the diplomat. "In Mexico, some center-left parties and smaller industrial groups are opposing the idea, but Salinas himself is very much interested in free trade with the United States. It is a very important part of his economic recovery plan."

U.S. diplomats said trade with Mexico is likely to increase significantly in the near future becasue of the gradual opening of the Mexican economy to foreign goods and investments.

"We have keen interest in Mexican telecommunications industry," said the U.S. Embassy official, adding that interest will increase since the government announced the privatization of its giant, state-run Telefonos de Mexico telephone company. The government has placed 51 percent of Telmex's common stocks on sale. The estimated value of Telmex is about $8 billion.

Mexican sales of telecommunications equipment in 1989 is estimated at $409 million, and is expected to grow at an annual rate of six percent through 1991. Imports from the United States in 1989 in this sector were only $63.4 million and should grow at an annual rate of about ten percent through 1991, according to a U.S. Embassy report.

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#90242u1857 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	385.37	up	3.00
Morning fixing	385.80	up	0.43
Afternoon fixing	389.75	up	4.38
Close	389.00	up	3.63
Paris	388.09	off	3.61

Zurich 389.50 up 4.00
Hong Kong 385.65 up 3.85
New York
Comex spot close (New Spot) 386.70 up 1.20
Republic cash (New Spot) 387.00 up 1.25
Handy and Harman 389.75 up 5.45

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 391.06 up 5.46 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 411.61 up 6.73 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close (New Spot) 4.807 off 0.019
Republic cash (New Spot) 4.834 off 0.006

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.825 per fine ounce up 0.015

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.86 up 0.015 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.20 up 0.016

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 490.50 up 5.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 590.50 up 5.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 113.00 off 0.25 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 128.00 off 0.25.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90242u1875 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (AUG. 30) UPI - Chrysler Corp. had little reaction Thursday to reports that its bonds have been trading at distressed levels because of Wall Street's concerns about the No. 3 carmaker's ability to raise money and pay debts.

Spokesman Steve Harris, who estimated Chrysler's long-term and current debt at $4.335 billion, said recent downgrades of the bonds' ratings by debt-rating agencies were unjustified. He noted all agencies still consider the bonds to be investment grade.

''We don't think the facts justify that kind of activity,'' Harris said of the downgrades. ''We think we deserve a better rating.''

Wall Street corporate bond traders were quoted Thursday as saying the market had pushed the rate of return on Chrysler's bonds to a level comparable to that of junk bonds, considered risky because of the failure of many deals financed by these high-yield instruments.

Like other companies, Chrysler sells bonds on financial markets to raise money. But the yields on its bonds have been ranging as high as 13.75 percent -up more than 2 percentage points in the past 30 days.

Rating firms like Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investors Service lowered Chrysler's credit ratings in June and July, with some rating them just one grade above junk bonds.

In late trading Thursday afternoon, the price of Chrysler's common stock was at $12.875 a share on the New York Stock Exchange, down 25 cents from Wednesday's close and less than half its 52-week high of $27.125, achievedSept. 1, 1989. The 52-week low was reached a week ago, when Chrysler's stock closed at $11.875.

Most investors are concerned about Chrysler's 16.3 percent slide in U.S. vehicle sales so far this year. Rising gasoline prices that could hurt sales of its Jeeps is another concern.

But some experts said Chrysler has enough cash reserves, now estimated at about just above $3 billion, to keep key product programs going.

''I think their cash pile will tide them over a couple of years of very low earnings,'' said Mary Anne Sudol, of Fitch Investors Service, a New York rating firm that in June lowered the securities ratings of Chrysler Financial Corp. but affirmed its ratings for parent Chrysler Corp.

''We have a spending program of $15.6 billion during the next five years '' said Chrysler's Harris. ''We remain committed to that, and we have the funds to make it happen.''

Still, Sudol said, it's going to be tough for Chrysler through the rest of 1990 and the first part of 1991.

''But I would say that also applies to the other Big Two,'' she said, referring to General Motors Corp. and Ford Motor Co. ''I just don't see

any meaningful pickup in auto sales.''

Sudol noted that Chrysler is more dependent on the North American market than GM or Ford, which have extensive overseas operations. Chrysler said Thursday its export sales during the first seven months of 1990 rose 20 percent from year-ago levels, to over 35,000 units. Most of that was in Europe.

''But the growth in Europe has really decelerated this year,'' Sudol noted adding that Chrysler may not get much benefit from export sales.

Speculation still persists about Chrysler forming a partnership with another major automaker to survive in the long term in what has become a saturated and brutally competitive market.

''Over the longer term, we see Chrysler allied with another car company, most probably a European one like Fiat, Volkswagen or Peugeot,'' Sudol said. ''Those are the three where there are some interesting '''Thos

For the short term, Chrysler may be able to score some gains at the expense of Ford because of the timing of new cars and truck introductions.

''The product lineup that's coming from Chrysler is very attractive,'' Sudol said. ''I just wish they had it sooner.''

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#90242u1876 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Gold futures closed 100 to 120 points higher Thursday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	384.50	....	....	386.70	385.50
Oct	387.50	392.50	387.00	389.00	387.90
Dec	391.50	397.30	391.50	393.70	392.70
Feb	396.00	401.00	396.00	397.90	396.90
Apr	400.00	405.50	400.00	402.00	401.00
Jun	404.50	408.80	408.80	406.50	405.50
Aug	408.70	....	....	410.70	409.70
Oct	413.40	....	....	415.40	414.40

Dec	418.10	423.80	423.80	420.10	419.10
Feb	423.20	....	....	425.20	424.20
Apr	428.10	....	....	430.10	429.10
Jun	433.20	....	....	435.20	434.20

Open interest: 127,415 off 2,076.
Estimated sales: 40,000 contracts.

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#90242u1878 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 30) UPI - A man described by psychologists as a sexually obsessed fan pleaded guilty Thursday to seven counts of mailing threatening letters to actress Stephanie Zimbalist.

Michael L. Shields, 42, also sent copies of his letters to Zimbalist's father, actor Efrem Zimbalist Jr., to her brother, to her talent agency, and to singers Rosemary Clooney and Patrice Munsel.

As part of a plea bargain in which 13 other counts will be dismissed, Shields faces a maximum of a year in prison when he is sentenced Oct. 22.

The Plymouth, Mich., resident also will be ordered to undergo psychiatric treatment and to turn over his vast collection of Zimbalist memorabilia to the behavioral science unit of the FBI, Assistant U.S. Attorney Carol Gillam said.

Gillam said psychologists determined Shields had an "eroto-manic" fixation on the actress and one expert said Shields "displays almost all the characteristics of those who have attacked and killed public figures." Erotomaniacs exhibit abnormally strong sexual desires.

The prosecutor said Shields will be ordered to stay away from Zimbalist, her family and refrain from writing letters to them or to any law enforcement officers involved in the case. Zimbalist, who canceled live theater performances out of fear for her life because of the letters, was satisfied with the plea agreement, Gillam said.

In court Thursday, Shields was initially reluctant to admit to U.S. District Judge John Davies that the stream of letters he sent Zimbalist in the past two years were threatening. Finally, however, he said they did contain "veiled threats."

Mostly signed "Your secret admirer," the letters contained such phrases as "I'll find you," "You can run but you can't hide," and "I'm watching your house" - a message sent with a photograph Shields apparently had taken of Zimbalist's Los Angeles home.

He sent more than 200 letters to Zimbalist - best known as the co-star in

the television series "Remington Steele" - beginning in August 1988 and purchased a semiautomatic rifle before trying to track her down in Los Angeles. He has been in custody since his March 2 arrest at a San Fernando Valley hotel. Shields' lawyer described him as "a pest."

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(AUG. 30) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $58 to $65 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 2.40 to 3.30 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.55 cent higher to 0.40 cent a pound lower for a 25,000- pound contract.

Cotton - 0.50 cent higher to 0.05 cent a pound lower for a 50,000- pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1 to $1.20 an ounce higher for a 100-troy- ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.10 an ounce higher across the board for a 50-troy- ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 2.85 to 5 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 1.80 to 1.90 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.020 to 0.024 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90242u1932 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday 1116.6

Wednesday	1125.4
Week ago	1127.3
Month ago	1134.6
Year ago	1103.0
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90242u1933 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

GDANSK, Poland (AUG. 30) UPI - Shipyard workers at the birthplace of the Solidarity labor movement gave Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki a frosty reception Thursday on the eve of the 10th anniversary of the union he helped found with Lech Walesa.

Not a single worker applauded Mazowiecki as he called for unity in the same shipyard hall where the historic accord that created the East Bloc's first independent labor union was signed on Aug. 31, 1980, by strike leaders and representatives of the communist government.

Instead, the embattled head of Poland's Solidarity-led government, who faces strong disapproval of his economic policy, fielded more than three hours of hostile questioning from an audience of hundreds of shipyard workers.

Mazowiecki even told his audience he would resign if the public demands it.

''I am a free man and I am not tied to the prime minister's armchair,'' Mazowiecki said. ''I will be prime minister as long as people will approve of me.''

Mazowiecki is also under pressure from his former mentor, Walesa, who has accused him of delaying political reforms and of foot-dragging on efforts to remove former Communist Party officials from key government positions. Walesa did not attend the meeting Thursday.

The prime minister denied the government is delaying political reforms but said neither is his government, which has been in office less than a year, ''able to work miracles.''

The chilly reception for Mazowiecki was in sharp contrast to a scene at the same site 10 years ago when the crowds enthusiastically welcomed him when he marched into the Gdansk shipyard with a group of intellectuals to help Walesa and the striking workers form the Soviet bloc's first independent union.

Mazowiecki returned to the shipyard for a conference on the eve of the 10th anniversary of the historic moment, which created the momentum that

eventually led to the revolutions of 1989 that overthrew communism throughout Eastern Europe.

''Poland is crossing a stormy river and there is no retreat,'' Mazowiecki told the silent workers. ''Poland has a chance to survive when there is a mutual understanding. We struggle in the same hall so that Poland could develop in a democratic way.''

Solidarity activists who helped lead the 1980 national strike together with Walesa and Mazowiecki said he has disappointed them as prime minister.

''We gave you the key to resolve various problems,'' Leszek Ziolkowski from the Northern shipyard said during a discussion after Mazowiecki's brief speech. ''But we don't see any effects.''

Ziolkowski said the government promised some improvement in living standards, but it has not taken place.

''The patience of the people has run out,'' he declared.

Another activist, Henryk Woldyga, said that nothing has changed despite Solidarity's promises 10 years ago of a better future. ''The poor have remained poor and the rich got richer,'' he said.

He attacked Mazowiecki for not being tough enough against the former communist managerial groups who still hold key jobs - a criticism Walesa has repeatedly made in the past of his former adviser.

''The communist system has been preserved,'' Woldyga said.

Mazowiecki defended his administration, which will celebrate its first anniversary next month, against charges it has been delaying political reform.

He said the workers should not expect changes overnight after four decades of communism, and the government cannot be blamed for the decline of Solidarity's sway over the population of 38 million from 10 million at its height to 2 million today.

''There must be some reasons that we don't witness as much enthusiasm as we had before,'' he said. ''This government is not able to work miracles.''

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#90242u1946 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 30) UPI - The judge in the largest record industry payola case in U.S. history said Thursday prosecutors withheld evidence that could absolve a former prominent independent record promoter and two

others on trial.

U.S. District Judge James Ideman said he may dismiss the case because prosecutors failed to disclose that a key prosecution witness gave perjured testimony at his own trial, an overlapping tax and drug- related case, last year.

''The material should have been turned over to the defense long ago and it was not turned over,'' Ideman said.

The judge said he would rule Tuesday on whether to dismiss the 57- count indictment against Joseph Isgro, 43, one of the nation's top record promoters in the 1980s.

He is accused of making cash and cocaine payments to radio station personnel in exchange for the air play of records he promoted. No radio station employees were indicted.

Also named in the indictment are Raymond Anderson, 49, a former vice president for promotions at Columbia Records, and Jeffrey Monka, 31, a convicted cocaine dealer charged with laundering money for Isgro.

The prosecution witness, Dennis Di Ricco, a former lawyer, apparently perjured himself when he testified at his trial for tax evasion and obstruction of justice in San Francisco. He was convicted.

Di Ricco's testimony before the grand jury in the Isgro case contradicted his trial testimony on more than 70 points, defense attorneys said.

Ideman found that William Lynch, a veteran prosecutor with the Justice Department, failed to present Di Ricco's trial testimony to the grand jury. On Wednesday, the judge had said ''the integrity of the indictment is possibly an issue.''

Lynch maintained that Di Ricco's trial testimony was not ''exculpatory'' - the type that could exonerate defendants - and that the prosecution was not required to turn it over to the defense.

In court documents, Lynch also said exculpatory evidence need not be given to the defense until shortly before the witness it pertains to testifies.

Di Ricco has yet to testify in the trial, now in its second week.

Isgro promoted records for Columbia, MCA, RCA, Warner Bros. and Polygram records, handling the music of such artists as Michael Jackson, Bruce Springsteen, Barbra Streisand, Dionne Warwick and others.

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#90242u1955 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
ATLANTIC CITY, NJ (AUG. 30) UPI - Somebody is trying to give away developer Donald Trump's debt-ridden Taj Mahal Casino Resort, but the gambling palace said Thursday it is all a ''senseless prank.''

At least ''several hundred'' people who entered a raffle to win a 1990 Rolls-Royce automobile have received bogus letters telling them they are winners, said Karen Tuso, a spokeswoman for the Taj Mahal.

And the letters, printed on the casino's elegant red, gold and blue stationary, don't stop at handing out the Silver Cloud car. Some have said the customers won the entire resort, Tuso said.

Other versions of the letter say the prize is a weekend on the Trump Princess yacht, currently cruising Japanese ports in search of a buyer, she said.

''Those letters are unauthorized and counterfeit and are the results of a senseless prank,'' she said. ''Although the Trump Taj Mahal Casino Resort has had nothing to do with this obvious fraud, we apologize for any inconvenience.''

One version of the letters, released by the casino, has a hint that it is something less than legitimate. At one point the letter says that at the awards ceremony, ''Donald will reveal his bold new vision for Atlantic City, in a legendary speech entitled, 'Whorehouses of ''legendary

To enter the ''Raja's Riches'' contest, a patron fills out an entry form and deposits it in one of three drums next to the three cars parked at the property, Tuso said.

Each night those drums are emptied into a larger drum where the winners are drawn from, she said. The master drum shows no signs of tampering, she added.

The contest has run through the summer, with cars given away in June and July and the third drawing for the $155,000 car scheduled for Sept. 16, she said.

''One woman who got one of the letters told us she knew it was a fraud because she knew it would have come in registered mail,'' Tuso said.

Telephones in the casino's consumer marketing office have been busy as people call in to verify their prizes, she said.

''The consumer marketing department is being inundated with calls,'' she said. ''They are apologizing and people are being very understanding. It

really is a nuisance, whoever did it really pulled a prank.''

Wayne Marlin, a spokesman for the state Division of Gaming Enforcement, said officials are trying to determine ''whether there were any breakdowns in the internal control procedures. We have an audit being conducted and operational agents are looking at the whole raffle situation.''

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#90242u1960 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, West Germany (AUG. 30) UPI - The East German parliament Thursday rejected a decision to move files of the former communist security police to West Germany.

The new development further complicated negotiations on a key German unification treaty which is already hanging in the balance because of disagreements over abortion legislation for a united Germany.

East German parliamentarians said they would reject the treaty if it retains a draft clause which states that the files compiled by the now-disbanded State Security police, known as Stasi, will be transferred to West Germany.

In a move to eliminate the clause, the Volkskammer, the East German parliament, Thursday passed a bill saying that East Germany will retain responsibilty for the files after Oct. 3 unification.

During 40 years of hard-line Communist rule, the Stasi collected data on six of the 17 million East German citizens and on two million foreigners. The documents have been sealed since the ouster of the hard- line Communist government last fall.

In negotiations on the unification treaty, the East and West German governments had agreed to remove the files from East Berlin to the federal archives in the West German city of Koblenz.

East German deputies argued that this would give the West German secret service unlimited access to the files of six million East Germans after unification.

''This is an affront to all those who fought against the (Communist) regime,'' said Wolfgang Ullmann, a member of the East German opposition Buendnis 90 party.

A two-thirds majority in the East and West German parliaments is needed to ratify the treaty, which sets out the legal and financial aspects of unification.

If the treaty is not ratified, the West German parliament could unilateraly set the framework for unification, an option most parties said they would reluctantly accept if necessary.

In Bonn, West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl is due to meet again late Thursday night with the leader of the Social Democratic Party for further negotiations on the abortion issue, following talks which ended in a stalemate in the early hours of the morning.

The parties agree in principle that a unified Germany will have dual legislation, under which abortion will remain legal in East Germany and generally illegal in West Germany.

But they do not agree on how long a united Germany will keep the dual legislation.

Kohl's Christian Democratic Union wants the unification treaty to include a clause stating that a new law will have to be passed within two years.

The SPD insists the dual legislation should remain in force for four years - apparently for fear that if no agreement is reached within two years, the current West German law would prevail and abortion would automatically become illegal in East Germany.

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#90242u1961 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	54 3-8	off	1 1-8
AT&T Company	31 3-8	off	1 1-8
BCE Corp	32 1-4	off	1-8
Bell Atlantic	41 1-8	off	2
BellSouth	50	off	3-4
Exxon Corp	48 7-8	off	1
Ford Motor	34 7-8	off	1
Genl Electric	61 3-4	off	7-8
Genl Motor	39 1-4	off	1 3-8
GTE Corp	25 1-8	unch	
IBM Corp	101 5-8	off	2 1-4
Mobil Corp	63	off	7-8
Nynex Corp	70	off	1 3-8
Pac Gas & El	20 5-8	off	1-4
Pac Telesis	37 3-4	off	1 1-8
Phila Elec	14 7-8	off	1-2
Sears Roebuck	29 1-2	off	3-8
Southern Co	23 1-8	off	1-4

Swstrn Bell	48	5-8	off	5-8
U S West Co	33	5-8	off	1

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#90242u1977 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Vander Beatty, a former state senator and congressional candidate from Brooklyn, was shot in the head and killed Thursday while campaigning for a Democratic party position.

Beatty was shot twice in the head at his office at 1:22 p.m. and died at 1:45 p.m. at Brooklyn Jewish Hospital, police said.

Police were searching for a man who was reported to have fled the scene after the shooting.

Beatty, 49, an imposing 6-foot-tall politician was once a Brooklyn political powerhouse and leading black activist, but was brought down by an avalanche of scandal.

He left his state Senate post in 1982 to make an ill-fated bid to run for the U.S. House seat held by longtime Rep. Shirley Chisholm.

In an attempt to force a new election after his defeat by Major Owens, he and others forged voter registration cards and he was later convicted of forgery and election fraud stemming from the scheme.

Beatty was shot in the Prospect Heights section of Brooklyn as he was campaigning for a party post outside his office, said Athan Voralis, a waiter at the nearby Tom's Restaurant.

''I was at the counter and the post office guy came running in and shouted to the cops (inside the restaurant) and told them what happened,'' Voralis said.

''The cops went flying out the door,'' he said.

Beatty was born in Wilmington, N.C., on Feb. 5, 1941. He was graduated from Johnson C. Smith University, North Carolina College and New York University, where he served as a professor.

He was elected to the Assembly in 1970 and to the state Senate in 1972. In January 1975 he was elected deputy minority leader of the state Senate.

Beatty served in the state Senate for 10 years until he gave up the post in his failed bid for Congress.

#90242u1987 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) UPI - The number and assets of healthiest thrifts shrunk in the second quarter while those of troubled institutions grew, federal regulators reported Thursday.

The Office of Thrift Supervision warned that a recession could further weaken the beleaguered savings and loan industry. Bailing out the industry is expected to cost taxpayers hundreds of billions of dollars while swelling the federal deficit.

In a quarterly report, the OTS showed that the number of the healthiest thrifts fell by 89 between the first and second quarter, to 1,175 from 1,264. The healthiest thrifts represented 48 percent of all thrifts during the second quarter, down from 50 percent in the first.

Assets of the so-called Group I of thrifts - those that are well capitalized and profitable - declined to $363 billion from $404 billion. The healthiest thrifts now have only 35 percent of the industry's total assets, down from 38 percent in the first quarter.

''Given the slowdown in the economy and the real estate market in many sections of the country, we are not surprised by the slippage in the healthiest group,'' said OTS Director Timothy Ryan.

Despite the shrinking number of healthy thrifts, Ryan said it is still ''too early to detect a trend'' in the industry as a whole.

He warned, however, that a recession, higher interest rates and a further worsening of the real estate market could multiply the number of weak institutions.

''If current economic conditions continue or get worse, it's very possible we will see additional deterioration when we report on the groups again in three months,'' the OTS chief said.

Still, the OTS statistics showed that 232 thrifts - including 52 transferred to the Resolution Trust Corp. for liquidation or sale - were reclassified in a lower group during the second quarter, while only 73 climbed up the ladder.

Bucking the trend and to the OTS's surprise, 34 thrifts climbed out of the Group IV of most troubled institutions, Ryan noted.

Group IV is composed of those institutions that the OTS expects to transfer to the RTC. In most cases, the graduating thrifts were able to recapitalize and obtain OTS approval of capital plans.

Group IV had a net decline of 64 thrifts, including 51 sent to the RTC. The number of the most troubled thrifts fell to 246 in the second quarter from 310 in the first, while assets declined to $166 million, or 16 percent of industry assets, from $195 million.

Assets in the Group IV continue to be concentrated in a few relatively large institutions, with 73 percent of assets held by 41 institutions with assets of at least $1 billion each, the OTS said.

The undercapitalized and money-losing thrifts of Group IV also continue to be concentrated geographically, with 29 in Texas, 25 in Florida and 22 in California, the agency said.

According to the OTS report, nearly all of the 106 institutions leaving Group I fell into Group II, which includes thrifts that meet or are expected to meet capital requirements and generally have lower profitability than Group I institutions.

The number of thrifts in Group II rose to 680 in the second quarter from 620 in the first, and assets expanded to $351 million, or 33 percent of industry assets, from $326 million in the first quarter.

Group III, troubled thrifts with poor earnings and low capital, saw its share of institutions grow to 352 in the second quaarter from 311 in the first, with assets expanding to $169 million, or 16 percent of industry assets, from $149 million.

The total number of savings and loan associations fell to 2,453 in the April-June period from 2,505 in the first quarter as a result of 52 institutions being transferred to the RTC, Ryan said. Total thrift assets fell to $1.05 billion from $1.07 billion.

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#90242u1997 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2593.32	off	39.11
20 Trans	901.26	off	9.87
15 Utils	193.72	off	1.89
65 Stocks	897.90	off	11.76

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#90242u2006 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period Year Earlier

Burnup & Sims (1st Q 7-31)
$48,372,000 $44,249,000
$2,210,000 (.23) $2,102,000 (.22)

Circus Circus Enterprises (2nd Q 7-31)
$176,350,000 $139,729,000
$16,318,000 (.59) $21,797,000 (.76)

Grand Valley Gas Co (Year 5-31)
$97,359,045 $95,969,942
$2,068,630 (.33) $1,009,124 (.16)

Permian Partners LP (2nd Q 6-30)
$514,389,000 $654,784,000
d-$14,736,000 d-$3,166,000
d-Deficit.

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#90242u2007 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
(fixing Fed Funds)
MONEY RATE

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.97

60 to 89 days 7.90

90 to 119 days 7.84

120 to 149 days 7.79

150 to 179 days 7.81

180 to 270 days 7.74

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.95 - 7.80

Issuers 30 days 7.98

Issuers 90 days 7.70

Issuers 270 days 7.48

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.05

60 to 89 days 8.06

90 to 119 days 8.06

120 to 149 days 8.05

150 to 179 days 8.10

180 days 8.10

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.00 - 8.125

1 month 8.00 - 8.125

3 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

6 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

Year 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.44 - 7.42

6 months 7.40 - 7.38

Year 7.27 - 7.25

Federal Funds: High 8 1-16, Low 7 15-16, Close 8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7.888 off 0.034.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90242u2022 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday 50 points higher to 5 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	74.52	74.70	74.35	74.58	74.26
Dec	72.60	72.95	72.55	72.86	72.38
Mar	73.84	74.00	73.70	73.90	73.40
May	74.10	74.50	74.10	74.47	74.00
Jly	74.30	74.60	74.30	74.43	74.01
Oct	70.25	....	....	70.20	70.25
Dec	68.40	68.48	68.30	68.42	68.43

Estimated sales: 3,000 contracts
Open interest: 34,028 off 75
The World spot average: 74.91

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#90242u2045 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 120,890,000 shares
1990 to date - 26,953,896,152
Warrants - 599,000
1990 to date - 171,161,000

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#90242u2047 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 30) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Thursday - 8,397,000
1990 to date - 1,723,412,000

The market closed lower.

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#90242u2051 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Thursday - $26,630,000
1990 to date - $7,621,630,000

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#90242u2061 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 30) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	175.23	off 2.55
ASE Market Value Index	322.91	off 1.32
Dow-Jones Industrial	2593.32	off 39.11

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#90242u2077 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.25	up 0.03
10 Public Utils	89.86	up 0.07
10 Industrials	88.65	unchanged

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#90242u2078 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2630.69	2641.34	2578.47	2593.32	off 39.11
20 Trans	912.72	917.34	897.00	901.26	off 9.87
15 Utils	195.55	196.11	192.91	193.72	off 1.89
65 Stock	909.68	913.44	893.22	897.90	off 11.76

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	15,483,900	17,101,500
Trans	2,603,300	2,739,500
Utils	2,664,800	3,082,000
65 Stock	20,752,000	22,923,000

Bonds	Close	Net	Chg.
20 Bonds	89.25	up	0.03
10 Public Utils	89.86	up	0.07
10 Industrials	88.65	unch	

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 133.23 up 0.17.

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#90242u2089 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 324.32, low 322.54, close 322.91, off 1.32.

There was a loss of 4 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,750,000 shares, compared with 11.670,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	2
New Lows	30
Advances	209
Declines	289
Unchanged	255
Total Issues	753

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#90242u2101 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Placer Dome	2,137,400	17 5/8	unch	
Wal-Mart Stores	1,640,300	27 3/4	off	1 1/4
Philip Morris	1,386,000	44 1/2	off	1
Genl Electric	1,374,800	61 7/8	off	3/4
Bank New England	1,334,200	1	off	5/8
AT&T Co	1,256,800	31 1/2	off	1
Unisys Corp	1,252,600	8 1/8	off	1/2

Boeing Co	1,154,200	48 1/4	off	1/2
GTE Corp	1,141,000	25 1/4	up	1/8
Home Shopping	1,105,800	5 3/4	up	3/4
IBM Corp	1,080,100	101 3/4	off	2 1/8
Waste Managemnt	1,022,600	37 3/8	off	1/4
LA Gear	1,019,600	16 3/4	up	1/4
Genl Motors	973,600	39 1/4	off	1 3/8
Utd Telecom	973,500	25 1/2	unch	

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#90242u2102 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	384.45	232.47	128.39	24.01	324.19
Opening	382.15	231.53	127.68	23.87	322.29
11 a.m.	382.67	232.02	127.96	23.89	322.76
Noon	380.73	230.94	127.50	23.84	321.24
1 p.m.	379.73	230.89	127.17	23.78	320.42
2 p.m.	380.30	230.95	127.19	23.81	320.83
3 p.m.	381.00	231.11	127.44	23.81	321.38
Close	377.69	230.23	126.41	23.68	318.71
Change	off 6.76	off 2.24	off 1.98	off 0.33	off 5.48

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#90242u2118 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Government pressure to keep gasoline pump prices down will hold oil-company profits to modest increases in the near term but a rise of about 20 percent is seen this year because of the Mideast crisis, analysts said Thursday.

Fred Leuffer of C. J. Lawrence Morgan Grenfell Inc., of New York, said his forecast of a 24 percent earnings rise in 1990 is based on the oil companies being able to pass on to consumers the higher cost of crude oil.

That has not happened yet. Gasoline prices at the pump have risen 15.45 cents, or 13.1 percent, while crude oil prices have risen as high as one third since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait threw oil markets into turmoil.

Prior to the invasion and the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports, Leuffer was estimating a 1990 increase in oil company operating earnings of only 4 percent.

Leuffer said he is now forecasting an additional 26 percent rise in

industry profits in 1991 compared to his pre-invasion estimate of no increase next year.

As a consequence of the invasion and embargo and the anticipated shortage of supplies, Leuffer said he has raised his estimated average cost of U.S. crude by $3, or 15 percent, to $22.50 a barrel in 1990 and $5, or 25 percent, to $25 a barrel in 1991.

Other analysts said the public outcry over oil companies raising gasoline pump prices within hours of the invasion has prevented as yet the full cost of the crude increases being passed along to consumers.

In the wake of the hew and cry, President Bush in a White House news conference publicly asked the oil companies to show restraint in raising pump prices.

''Government and consumer pressure has forced the major companies to show restraint in raising product prices and the result has been a squeeze on marketing margins to the point that they were negative in August,'' said George Friesen of the Deutsche Bank Group in New York.

''The oil companies haven't been able to pass on higher crude costs to the pump because of consumer and government pressure,'' said Rosario Ilacqua, vice president of Rochschild Inc. in New York.

''The higher costs are not being passed along to the consumer,'' concurred Frank Knuettel, senior oil analyst at New York's Prudential- Bache Securities Inc.

The extent to which the near-term profits of individual oil companies will rise depends on the extent to which their operations are weighted toward crude oil production and away from the retail marketing of gasoline and other petroleum products.

The analysts also said there would be a squeeze on petrochemical profits because of the higher cost of oil ''feedstocks'' from refineries.

They said it was difficult to revise earnings for the third quarter ending Sept. 30 this soon after the Aug. 2 invasion.

''To be very specific is impossible at the moment,'' Kneuttel said, but the major oil companies integrating crude production with refining and marketing should come out in relatively good shape.

''By and large the integrated oil companies will come out with higher profits,'' he said.

But Friesen said, ''Overall earnings in the third quarter might not be any

better than projected before the crisis.'' If he had to guess, the analyst said the invasion might result in a third-quarter earnings rise of 5-10 percent over the second quarter.

''Directionally, we're up, but I can't give you an estimate,'' said Jim Murchie of Sanford Bernstein in New York.

The analysts singled out Atlantic Richfield Co. as one oil company benefitting particularly from the Persian Gulf crisis because it pumps enough crude to satisfy all its refining and marketing needs.

The stock of the Los Angeles-based ARCO was $129.375 a share Aug. 1. In late trading on the New York Stock Exchange, ARCO's common stock fell $2.25 Thursday to $133.50 a share.

ARCO gained favorable publicity by announcing it would freeze gasoline pump prices after Bush's appeal.

Ilacqua said that ARCO might have been faced with an embarassing rise in profits given the company's control over its crude supply.

On ARCO's freeze of pump prices, the analyst said, ''I think its a strategy to improve their position in the gasoline market. A company could only do this if it has its own crude.''

Friesen said, ''I wouldn't be surprised if Exxon Corp.'s earnings were lower in the third quarter because it buys 50-60 percent if its oil from the outside.''

For the year, however, Leuffer has revised his 1990 estimated earnings per share for Exxon upward 55 cents to $4.20 a share as a result of the Mideast crisis. The 1991 projection was raised $1.10 to $5 a share.

He has revised ARCO's 1990 earnings estimate upward $1.55 a share to $11.40 a share. The 1991 ARCO projection was raised $4.60 to $14.60 a share.

British Petroleum, which also produces almost all its own crude used in the United States, was given an estimated earnings increase of $1.05 a share in Leuffer's revision to $5.10 a share.

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#90242u2122 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 30) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	248.20	248.90	244.00	244.50	248.10
Dec	248.20	249.50	246.80	247.05	250.75
Mar	....	....	....	250.30	254.15

Previous day volume: 150 contracts.
Open interest: 1,315 up 24

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	324.20	324.95	318.00	318.55	323.85
Dec	328.00	328.75	321.75	322.30	327.60
Mar	331.00	331.40	325.00	325.40	330.65
Jun	....	335.00	328.00	329.60	334.75

Today's estimated volume: 49,512 contracts.
Open interest: 145,922 up 2,258

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	177.70	178.10	174.55	174.85	177.55
Dec	179.85	180.05	176.40	176.65	179.55
Mar	181.50	181.50	179.55	178.45	181.55

Open interest: 5,771 up 213

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	536.50	538.10	526.10	526.85	536.30
Oct	536.30	538.40	528.80	529.15	538.60

Estimated volume 3,177 contracts.
Open interest: 6,989 up 103

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(For Thursday)

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	378.68	off	3.10	360.22	469.33
Industrial	403.96	off	5.30	380.44	455.49
Finance	383.04	off	0.54	372.90	557.27
Insurance	444.47	off	1.87	429.25	538.81
Utility	501.34	up	3.53	475.37	736.29
Bank	286.23	off	0.44	270.36	
Trqwport	414.07	off	5.13	405.55	467.55

Composite 1990 High 469.60
1990 Low 360.59
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 165.92 off 1.40
Industrial Index 159.67 off 2.16
NASDAQ-100 Index 381.45 off 4.36

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#90242u2140 08/30/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) UPI - The number of motorists around the world facing price hikes at the gas pump is soaring almost as quickly as gasoline prices, and many of them have watched glassy-eyed as the cost of fueling their vehicles jumped two, three or four times to levels 30 percent or

more over July levels.

Within the past week, drivers in Chile, Australia and Hong Kong got their first shocks at service stations thanks to increased crude-oil prices and uncertainty in the market over the Persian Gulf crisis.

For the third time, motorists in West Germany watched prices skip up this week to about $3.08 a gallon, while Britons, Poles and Belgians all dug deeper into their pockets to pay for gas.

Nations facing higher gas bills this week include: Italy, at $5.13 a gallon, up 30 percent since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2; France, $4.29; Britain, $3.61; Hong Kong, $3.18; Australia, $2.39; Chile $1.40; and the United States, $1.30.

Several other nations - Japan, Poland, the Philippines and Thailand - expect price increases if the Mideast crisis continues much longer.

But France and Italy announced this week they are putting the brakes on rapid price hikes for a short time.

French oil companies, which had raised prices 15 percent during the Gulf crisis, said they would help French motorists return from their August vacations by reducing prices about 40 cents a gallon until Monday. The French will pay about $4.29 a gallon through the holiday weekend.

The Italian government Tuesday decided to hold prices at about $5.13 a gallon - probably the world's highest gas prices - for three months to try to stifle a trend toward higher inflation. The government will underwrite the Italians' fuel-pump prices - which officials estimate will cost $520 million - with a special emergency fund.

Inquiries turned up no reports of gas lines except in the African nation of Sierra Leone, where workers walked to their jobs this week because of a shortage of fuel. All public and private transportation was ended as a result of gas shortages.

British oil companies raised gas pump prices by about 60 cents a gallon Thursday, producing prices of about $3.61 per U.S. gallon.

But Philip Lambert, an oil specialist with the investment firm Kleinwort Benson, said the companies actually are biting the bullet themselves rather than passing along the brunt of the recent oil price spike to consumers in order to keep a measure of public support.

Sir Gordon Borrie, director general of the British Office of Fair Trading, has asked British oil companies to explain pricing policies as a result of the Gulf crisis.

Australia lifted a three-week price freeze Wednesday, and prices jumped 16 cents a gallon to $2.39. Allan Fels, chairman of Australia's Price Surveillance Authority, said the agency rejected calls by oil companies for increase of between 33.9 cents and 39.3 cents a gallon.

Fels remained wary of the companies' pricing and suggested that Australia consider pegging gas-pump prices to crude oil instead of gasoline prices worldwide.

In the Philippines, President Corazon Aquino's government has held gas prices at $1.07 a gallon, in part out of fear some of her opponents would use the price hikes as an occasion to mount another coup attempt, sources said. Some analysts said gas price hikes of 25 percent to 50 percent are expected at some point.

Japan has held prices to $3.10 a gallon but is considering a 26-cent-a-gallon hike in late September.

Poland, which has held gas prices at $1.07 since Iraq invaded Kuwait, announced Thursday it will raise prices by 30 percent.

Thailand says it will raise prices if the Gulf crisis continues another month or two.

A couple of nations have taken gas-conservation measures. India, for example, has asked motorists to leave their cars at home one day a week and Korea has closed gas stations between midnight and 4 a.m.

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#90242u2148 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
AtlRch pfA	910 1/4	up	110 1/4
Amer Home pf	408 7/8	off	42 3/4
Captl Cities	469 1/2	off	9
Amer Brand pfA	135	up	4 3/8
Ohio Edison pf	75	up	3 3/8
Newmont Mining	44 1/2	off	3 3/8
Melville Corp	42	off	3
Household pf	85 3/4	up	2 3/4
Va Elec pfM	94 1/2	up	2 3/4
Comnwlth Ed pf	86 1/2	up	2 1/2
CNA Fncl	64	off	2 1/2

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NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - The dollar strengthened against the Japanese yen in thin New York trading Wednesday despite an overnight interest rate hike by the Bank of Japan, and also gained ground on the main European currencies.

Analysts said the Japanese discount rate hike, to 6 percent from 5 1/4 percent, was long anticipated and written into currency rates. In addition it hit just as the dollar was on an upswing from its recent extreme lows.

''It certainly wasn't a surprise,'' said currency manager Robert White of First Interstate Bank Corp. in Los Angeles. ''That's the basis of the fact that the dollar moved higher. The market had rumored it for weeks.''

Amsterdam Rotterdam Bank foreign exchange vice president Lee Stalzer said the dollar slipped on news of the hike, ''but went right back up.''

Late in the New York trading session, the dollar was quoted at 1.5665 German marks, well up from 1.5585 marks Wednesday, and at 144.25 Japanese yen, also up from 143.50 yen the previous day.

Stalzer said many participants were buying dollars to square positions before the long weekend, comforting the U.S. unit.

White said the dollar was boosted, too, when the Federal Reserve did not ease short-term rates as heavy rumors had suggested.

In general, he said, the dollar is ''losing some of its downside'' momentum as the Persian Gulf crisis eases and currency market participants moderate their ''extraordinarily bearish sentiment'' on the U.S. economy.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2960 Swiss francs, up from 1.2895; 5.2510 French francs, ahead from 5.2230; and 1,161.50 Italian lire, up from 1,154.75.

The British pound skidded to $1.9170 from $1.9455.

In Europe, the dollar strengthened on short-covering ahead of the weekend and on side effects of the Japanese rate hike.

Dealers bought the unit to cover short positions established in recent bouts of heavy dollar selling, said James Capel economist Geoff Dennis.

It rose in Frankfurt to 1.5650 German marks from 1.5565, and gained in Zurich as well, to 1.2969 Swiss francs vs. 1.2850.

In London, the pound slid to end at $1.9210 vs. $1.9480, abandoned by players who bought it as a high-interest refuge in the Gulf crisis. The pound and the Swiss franc were less attractive after Japan's rate hike.

The dollar rose in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to 5.2615 French francs vs. 5.2050, 32.22 Belgian francs vs. 31.89 and 1,163.30 lire vs. 1,148.10.

In Tokyo, the U.S. dollar eased against the Japanese yen after the increase in the key Bank of Japan interest rate. The dollar closed at 144.10 yen, down 0.25 yen from Wednesday's 144.35 yen.

Gold closed $4 an ounce higher in Zurich at $389.50 compared with $385.50. It also was higher in London, at $389 vs. $385.37 Wednesday.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $387 an ounce, up from $385.70 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $386.70 an ounce, ahead from $385.30.

Silver was unchanged in Zurich at $4.85 an ounce, and was higher in London at $4.85 an ounce vs. $4.84 the previous day.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.834 an ounce, down from $4.84. Comex silver finished at $4.807 an ounce, off from $4.826.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	322.91	off 1.32
High Technology	321.98	off 3.51
Capital Goods	351.22	off 0.19
Consumer Goods	391.17	off 1.59
Service	707.77	off 3.72
Retail	1,047.30	off 3.08
Financial	374.40	off 1.10
Natural Resources	247.18	off 0.74
Housing-Const-Land	329.74	up 2.15

There was a loss of 4 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	406.73	off 2.10
Mid Atlantic	480980	off 2.31
No Central	445.72	off 2.01
So Atlantic	923.51	off 1.95
So Central	317.41	off 0.77

Mountain	113.51 off 0.93	
Pacific	376.91 off 0.94	
Foreign	245.09 off 0.96	

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NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	23.85-23.95	23.20-23.25
North Sea Brent	27.43-27.53	26.13-26.18
West Texas Intermed	26.80-26.90	25.95-26.00
Light Louisiana Sweet	27.80-27.90	26.90-27.00
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	89.60-89.85	85.20-85.45
No. 2 Heating oil	74.00-74.25	70.40-70.65
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	86.60-86.85	83.50-83.75
No. 2 Heating oil	73.90-74.00	71.80-72.00

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NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	383.19	378.39	378.68	off 3.10
Industrial	410.65	403.77	403.96	off 5.30
Finance	385.27	382.82	383.04	off 0.54
Insurance	446.79	443.96	444.47	off 1.87
Utility	505.12	499.21	501.34	up 3.53
Bank	288.21	285.50	286.23	off 0.44
Transport	420.61	412.34	414.07	off 5.13

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-23) 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	165.92 off 1.40
Industrial Index	159.67 off 2.16
NASDAQ-100 Index (largest non-fin'cl)	381.45 off 4.36
Average price per share	8.63 off 0.06
Volume	94,234,504 shares
Advances	788
Declines	732
Unchanged	1,301
Total	2,821

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#90242u2178 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (AUG. 30) UPI - Engineers struggled Thursday to resolve a potentially crippling glitch with a telescope aboard the shuttle Columbia to keep the presumably leak-free ship on track for a long-delayed pre-dawn liftoff Saturday.

The problem involved a loss of data from one of the four telescopes making up Columbia's $150 million astronomy payload. If a suspect electrical unit in the cargo bay has to be replaced, the shuttle's launch could be delayed up to a week, engineers said.

A management meeting was scheduled for Thursday night to debate the results of afternoon tests but officials said a final decision on whether to proceed with the countdown or to delay it for repairs might not be made until Friday. "It's not looking very good," said one official who requested anonymity.

Assuming the telescope problem can be resolved and if the weather cooperates, Columbia and its seven-man crew will blast off at 1:17 a.m. EDT Saturday to kick off NASA's first shuttle flight in four months after a disappointing summer of fuel leaks that grounded the shuttle fleet and wrecked the space agency's launch schedule.

Hoping for the best, Hoffman, 45, commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John "Mike" Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46, flew to Florida Wednesday night for final preparations.

Out at launch pad 39A Thursday, engineers spent the day troubleshooting a problem with the Broad Band X-ray Telescope - the BBXRT - one of four astronomical instruments mounted in Columbia's payload bay.

Ground data from the high-tech telescope was interrupted and then lost when Columbia's left-hand payload bay door was closed for launch earlier this week, prompting speculation that a ground cable system might have been damaged somehow.

But tests to make sure the telescope's data transmission system would work properly in space were inconclusive. "They did not get any signal" from the telescope, one official said.

If the ship's payload bay doors have to be opened for an inspection, launch would be delayed at least one day and if the suspect electrical unit must be replaced, the flight could be put on hold for a week or more.

Otherwise, Columbia's countdown ticked smoothly toward zero with Air Force meteorologists predicting a 60 percent chance of acceptable conditions at launch time.

Once in orbit, the astronauts plan to work around the clock in two shifts training their "Astro-1" telescopes on the most violent objects in the universe to learn more about the structure and evolution of the cosmos by studying high-energy light that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

But first, Columbia must get past fuel loading Friday afternoon without springing any hydrogen fuel leaks like the one that grounded the spaceship May 29, the night before the shuttle's first launch attempt.

The leak ultimately was traced to Columbia's 17-inch-wide hydrogen "disconnect" fitting, a massive connector that allows the shuttle's external tank to be jettisoned in space.

Columbia's disconnect was replaced with one taken from the new shuttle Endeavour and, after Atlantis was grounded by a similar leak in July,

Brand and his colleagues were cleared for another launch try this week.

After extensive tests, engineers blamed Columbia's leak on tiny glass beads that somehow got inside the disconnect fitting and scratched critical seals. Whether a similar problem crippled Atlantis remains to be seen, but engineers said they were confident Columbia is leak-free.

If an unacceptable leak does appear, however, it is unlikely it could be fixed at the launch pad, raising the prospect of another lengthy launch delay.

But Brand told reporters he was optimistic about an on-time liftoff. "We're ready to go," he said. "We have a great ship out there ... and we have all the confidence in the world in that machine, Columbia. It's a great ship."

The goal of the flight is to extend humanity's vision into the invisible ultraviolet and X-ray regions of the electromagnetic spectrum. Unlike the Hubble Space Telescope, launched from Discovery April 25 during the most recent previous shuttle flight, the "Astro" telescopes aboard Columbia will remain mounted in the shuttle's payload bay throughout the flight.

To collect as much data as possible, Columbia's crew will work in two 12-hour shifts throughout the flight with Brand, Gardner and Lounge responsible for keeping the shuttle shipshape and pointed in the right direction. The telescopes will be operated by Parker, Hoffman, Parise and Durrance.

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UNITED NATIONS (AUG. 30) UPI - The five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council Thursday made public their plan for a U.N.-administered government of Cambodia until elections are held and a new government is formed.

The plan calls for a cease-fire between the Vietnamese-backed Cambodian government and resistance groups, followed by U.N. administration of the government of Cambodia. Representatives of the current government, the three-party rebel coalition led by former Prince Norodom Sihanouk and the Khmer Rouge rebels are to serve as U.N. advisers in a Supreme National Council.

The supreme council will relegate all ''necessary powers'' to the U.N. Provisional Authority in Cambodia (UNPAC) to implement the plan once it is signed by all parties, according to the U.N. plan.

The Security Council designers of the plan - the United States, the Soviet

Union, China, France and Britain - said none of the Cambodian factions, which have been at war for 11 years, is to have a ''dominant position'' over any other on the supreme council.

The transitional government run by UNPAC will be headed by a special envoy of the U.N. secretary-general. The Cambodian Supreme National Council will advise UNPAC and the members of the rebel groups will be confined to specific geographic areas under U.N. control.

Diplomats said the United Nations will occupy the ministries of foreign affairs, defense, interior, information and transportation in the transitional government. UNPAC is to monitor the cease-fire and organize general elections.

Senior U.S. officials said this week that UNPAC will have about 20,000 military and civilian personnel, costing up to $5 billion for a two-year period. It would be the largest U.N. peacekeeping operation in the U.N.'s 45-year history.

UNPAC is to verify the cease-fire among the factions and disarm them.

The U.N. blueprint called for the future Cambodian government to observe neutrality and not engage in military alliance with other countries and to abstain from introducing foreign forces or military bases in Cambodia. It also said the government should strictly adhere to international conventions on human rights.

The plan said the Supreme National Council should be formed immediately, but it left open a thorny question about how the group's council will be set up; simply providing that all are to be represented and no one dominant over the others. The plan defined the SNC as representing the ''independence, sovereignty and unity of Cambodia.''

Disagreements among warring Cambodian factions on how to share power in such a council have held up progress in other areas aimed at settling the 11-year-old conflict, which began with the Vietnamese occupation of the country in December, 1978.

Sihanouk's three-party anti-Vietnamese resistance movement said Thursday in Bangkok it welcomed the Security Council peace plan.

And Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Samphan said on Khmer Rouge radio that ''the party of Democratic Cambodia (the Khmer Rouge) totally supports the statement of the five permanent members on Cambodia.''

The Khmer Rouge, which ruled Cambodia from 1975 until it was ousted from power by invading Vietnamese troops in 1978, was responsible for the death of more than 1 million people.

The factions agreed to attend a meeting in Jakarta next month with the members of the Association of the Southeast Asian Nations - Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei, Indonesia and the Philippines - to discuss Security Council plan. Thai authorities said they are trying to persuade the Phnom Penh regime to attend the meeting.

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(AUG. 30) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.94	8.04	8.92
91-day Treasury bills	7.69	7.73	7.90
182-day Treasury bills	7.79	7.83	7.79
1-year Treasury bills	7.81	7.86	7.71
3-year Treasury notes	8.30	8.31	8.36
7-year Treasury notes	8.75	8.73	8.28
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.97	8.92	8.21
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.50	9.47	8.96
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.97	9.95	9.26
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.24	9.34	9.29
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.50	9.47	9.24
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.53	9.51	9.42
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.51	9.50	9.40

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) UPI - Animal tests used by the government to determine whether chemicals pose a cancer risk to humans are virtually worthless for gauging low-level threats found in daily life, scientists claimed Thursday.

However, other experts countered that, despite their weaknesses, traditional mouse and rat tests remain the best way to protect the public from chemicals with cancer-causing potential.

In articles published in two leading scientific journals, Bruce Ames and Lois Gold of the University of California-Berkeley spelled out their objections to the routine use of high-dose tests in rodents to determine if a chemical constitutes a serious cancer risk.

The major problem lies in the enormous levels of chemicals given the test animals, said Ames and Gold, noting recent evidence indicates it is likely the quantity - not the makeup - of a chemical that triggers tumor formation.

High doses of chemicals, both natural and man-made, frequently spur rapid cell division that leads to cancer, while such cell division does not occur at low doses, they said.

A computer study by the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, published in the journal Science along with Ames' commentary, also found that cell proliferation appears to be the primary way chemicals which do not damage genetic material cause cancer.

In papers published in Procedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Ames and Gold reiterate their past claims that man-made chemicals pose no greater cancer risk as a group than natural chemicals found in fruit, vegetables or spring water.

About half of the 77 natural chemicals tested in high-dose rodent tests caused cancer in the animals - about the same proportion as has been found for the 350 synthetic chemicals checked in that manner, they noted.

In addition, they estimated the average American's intake of natural carcinogens found in foods like coffee, cabbage and mushrooms is about 1500 milligrams per day - far greater than the average daily intake of .09 milligrams from man-made pesticide residues.

''We have to rethink our current testing system. What it does is focus attention on very minor things,'' Ames said. ''A lot of assumptions about what consistutes a cancer risk are turning out not to be true.''

The California researcher said high-dose rodent tests are probably only valuable for situations where people would be exposed to very high

chemical concentrations, like in the workplace or when taking medication.

''These tests are not useful for telling anything about cancer risk at very low doses,'' Ames said.

However, he offered no alternative way of checking chemicals for cancer-causing potential at low levels like those found in pesticide-treated fruit or dioxin-contaminated soil.

Ellen Silbergeld, senior scientist with the Enviromental Defense Fund, said the track record of high-dose rodent tests has been pretty good. ''Overall, every human carcinogen causes cancers in animals. And as far as the other way, we do not know of any animal carcinogen that has been shown not to cause cancer in humans,'' she said.

Silbergeld, whose group last year released a study that created the public uproar that led to the withdrawal of Alar, a growth-promoting chemical used on apples, also emphasized that high-dose tests only signal that a chemical has the power to cause cancer and are not intended to establish the dose at which the cancer threat occurs.

''High-dose tests are really just to answer 'yes' or 'no' to the question if a chemical could be a carcinogen,'' she said.

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#90242u2205 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AUG. 30) UPI - The five Central American countries are slowly beginning to fight the region's reputation as a bridge for drug traffickers between South American producers and U.S. consumers, officials said Thursday.

Representatives from Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua participated in a two-day ''drug summit'' that began Thursday to try to extend the regional cooperation agreements that have recently worked at forging peace and economic accords to the issue of drug trafficking.

''The problem of drug trafficking is not a problem of one country, or of one region,'' said Alvaro Cuevas, Guatemala's deputy interior minister. ''It is a problem of the producers, the traffickers, and the consumers. We are in the middle. Central America is the bridge.''

The meeting was called by the five Central American presidents when they met in Antigua, Guatemala, in June and is an extension of talks by officials that have been running alongside presidential summits since the August 1987 ''Esquipulas II'' peace accords.

Officials at the current meeting agreed that recent strides toward regional peace and economic union have finally allowed them to work together to prevent drug traffickers from using their countries as refueling stops and transit routes between South America and the United States.

The onset of peace and the easing of trade and transit restrictions have also made it easier on the drug traffickers, some officials said.

''Nicaragua is now being used as a bridge for international drug traffic, and just a few months ago, for the first time, a plane was captured here that had departed from Colombia with a large shipment of cocaine,'' Nicaraguan Justice Minister Duilio Baltodano said.

Evidence of drug trafficking in Nicaragua was relatively little under the former Sandinista government, which was embroiled in a bloody war against the Contra rebels and was somewhat economically isolated by trade embargoes.

With the war now over and the government of President Violeta Chamorro instituting capitalist-style changes in the socialist economy, officials are worried drug traffickers will step up their use of Nicaragua as a conduit point, particularly in the remote east coast region.

''I understand that our Central American brothers have encountered similar circumstances in one form or other,'' Baltodano said at the meeting Thursday. ''Now is the time to unite our efforts and resources so that Central America does not fall victim to this omen and so that we can eradicate and control drug trafficking with the backing of the United Nations and Organization of American States.''

Marcio Coello Valladares, Honduran deputy interior minister, said the officials are mainly working on internal, regional methods of stopping drug traffickers.

''The measures we adopt will affect all of us,'' he said.

Cuevas, however, said they also planned to act as a group in working with the United States and other big drug-consuming countries and with the governments of Colombia and other major drug-producing countries.

He also said the five countries are cooperating on efforts to reduce consumption and production of drugs within Central America.

''In the case of Guatemala, we have a big problem with poppy seed production, but we are working to destroy the plantations,'' Cuevas said.

One of the roots of the drug trafficking problem in Central America has

been corruption and links of government and police officials to the drug traffickers, an issue that was not brought up during the public session of the meeting.

Nicaraguan Deputy Foreign Minister Ernesto Leal said the countries had already begun sharing material resources as well as cooperating in judicial, technical, diplomatic and educational areas to combat drugs.

''What we are doing on the regional level reflects the international cooperation to fight drugs that is currently going on at the world level '' Leal said.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) UPI - Sales of stock, bond and income mutual funds slipped to $12.5 billion in July from $13 billion in June, the Investment Company Institute said Thursday. But the funds' total assets set a new record last month.

The national association of the mutual fund industry said that the funds' July 1989 sales were $9.7 billion.

Based on a spot check of fund executives, activity appears to reflect investor concern with the stock market, interest rates and the U.S. economy, the institute said.

Assets of all mutual funds reached a record $1.054 trillion in July from June's $1.035 trillion.

Assets of stock and bond funds increased to $586.7 billion in July from $582.2 billion in June. Assets of money market funds rose to $467.8 billion in July from $453.1 billion in June.

Sales of stock mutual funds totaled $5.9 billion last month, down from $6.6 billion in June. July 1989 sales were $3.8 billion. Growth-and-income funds led all categories, with sales of $1.8 billion, the institute said.

Sales of bond and income funds totaled $6.6 billion, up from $6.4 billion in June and $5.8 billion in July 1989. Long-term municipal bond funds continued to lead all bond and income funds, with July sales of $2.7 billion vs. $2.4 billion in June. These funds sold $2.3 billion in July 1989.

The institute said that new sales of long-term funds were brisk, but some investors switched into short-term funds. Sales were strong among several specialty funds categories, such as international, global and

energy-related funds, in July and appear to have stayed strong for most of August.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	177.17	175.23	175.23	off 2.55
Industrial	221.21	219.61	219.61	off 3.43
Transport	141.71	140.73	140.73	off 1.05
Utility	82.91	82.05	82.05	off 1.13
Finance	124.14	123.26	123.26	off 1.16

Equivalent to a loss of 45 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 120,890,000 shares.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) UPI - Early findings suggest the experimental drug DDI may extend AIDS patients' lives as long or longer than AZT, the only goverment-approved drug to combat the AIDS virus, researchers said Thursday.

Government scientists said their study of 58 patients with AIDS or a complex of AIDS-related symptoms, called ARC, showed 88 percent of patients were alive 21 months after starting dideoxyinosine, or DDI, treatment. That compares with a 50 percent survival rate at 21 months among similar patients in early tests of zidovudine or AZT, and the 25 percent survival rate at 21 months found in the past among patients who received no treatment

''We were quite taken by the survival of patients. It is pretty good,'' said Dr. Robert Yarchoan of the National Cancer Institute, who co-authored the study published in the British journal Lancet.

Yarchoan emphasized the study was small and did not directly compare the effectiveness of AZT, which is made by Burroughs Wellcome Co., of Research Triangle Park, N.C., with DDI, made by Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. of New York. Tests to directly compare the two drugs in up to 2,500 AIDS patients are now underway, and results should be available in about a year.

However, the early findings ''suggest DDI has a shot at being a good, first-line drug,'' Yarchoan said.

''This gives you a sneak preview. It increases the odds those studies are going to be positive,'' he said. ''DDI is looking at least as good as AZT ... but I don't think you can conclude which is better from this.''

Neither AZT nor DDI, which both attack an enzyme the virus needs to reproduce, is a cure for AIDS. But both appear to slow the disease's lethal progression.

One problem with AZT has been that its toxic side effects like anemia and bone marrow suppression have forced about one-third of AIDS patients to discontinue treatment. About 15 percent to 20 percent of AIDS patients have had to discontinue DDI due to side effects like pain in nerve endings and potentially fatal inflammation of the pancreas, Yarchoan said.

Because the two AIDS drugs carry different toxicities and likely also generate different drug resistance, researchers hope it may be possible to extend AIDS patients' lives even further with treatments that alternate the two agents.

Currently, about 10,000 Americans with AIDS or symptoms of AIDS are taking DDI in traditional government-sponsored tests or in a new ''expanded access'' plan in which Bristol-Myers provides the drug free to people unable to participate in such tests.

The study pointed out one major benefit DDI may have over AZT: increasing levels of vital immune cells, rather than just keeping the levels from dropping further.

''With DDI, in people who were not previously on AZT for longer than four months, we see a very good rise in CD-4 counts (counts of immune cells targeted by the AIDS virus) that is higher and more prolonged than with AZT,'' Yarchoan said. The positive effect on immune cell counts - an average increse of 18 percent persisting for at least nine months - was significantly less pronounced among patients who previously received long-term AZT therapy.

NCI researchers said those findings may explain why immune cell counts have not gone up substantially in patients receiving DDI through the expanded access program since most have received AZT for six months before going on DDI. The study also found high levels of fatty substances called triglycerides in the blood may predict pancreatic inflammation, offering doctors a possible way of catching that side effect before it poses a serious threat to patients.

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TRENTON, NJ (AUG. 30) UPI - Federal law will require banks to clear checks more quickly beginning this weekend, but consumer advocates and bankers disagreed Thursday on whether the new law will be a consumers' blessing or a bankers' nightmare.

Permanent provisions of the Expedited Funds Availability Act of 1987 go into effect Saturday, requiring that banks clear checks and make funds from them available within two business days for local checks and five days for non-local checks.

The limits are shortened from the three-day period for local checks and seven days for non-local checks that have been required under the law since Sept. 1, 1988.

''The holdup at the bank will be a thing of the past starting Saturday,'' New Jersey Public Interest Research Group spokeswoman Patricia Dorsey said.

''Consumers - not banks - will earn millions of dollars in interest on deposited funds,'' she said.

New Jersey PIRG and its parent consumer organization, U.S. PIRG, were among the groups that lobbied for the new law. In 1985 and 1986, the group issued reports claiming delays as long as two weeks in clearing checks.

Dorsey said long check-clearing periods inconvenience consumers who cannot get their money and allows banks - not consumers - to collect interest while waiting for checks to clear.

The new law was opposed by bankers, who argued that clearance times had to be long enough to ensure that checks were good. Without sufficient clearance time, check-kiting schemes could abound, bankers said.

''We have had concerns in the past over the shortening of funds availability standards mainly because of the problems that can surface and result in check fraud rings,'' said New Jersey Bankers Association spokesman Kurt Schaub.

''Clearly, the opportunity for fraud is increased'' under the shortened limits of the new law, he said.

In preparation for the new limits, banks across the country have instituted use of new automated procedures and equipment to speed the process of clearing a check, he said.

Under the old system, clearing a check was a largely manual process of

mailing items from one bank to another and could take as long as two weeks to clear a California check, for example, presented at a New Jersey bank, he said.

Schaub said the new procedures have allowed banks to comply with the temporary three- and seven-day limits, and should allow them to comply with the new two- and five-day limits.

''The change is going to take place,'' he said. ''I can't say we're 100 percent comfortable with the new schedule, but we are going to do our best.''

The Federal Reserve Board, the main point along the check-clearing system between banks, asked Congress earlier this year to continue the three- and seven-day schedule. The Senate Banking Committee defeated an amendment to do that in July.

Dorsey said her organization plans to monitor banks' compliance with the law and would oppose any limits to go back to the longer limits.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Stocks closed sharply lower Thursday as waves of program selling in the last hour of trading wreaked havoc with a very thin pre-holiday market.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 17.58 Wednesday, tumbled 39.11 to close at 2593.32. With an hour of activity to go, the Dow was down 18 points.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index lost 2.25 to 175.23. The price of an average share fell 45 cents. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index dropped 5.48 to 318.71.

Declines led advances 992-466 among the 1,970 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to about 120,890,000 shares, down from the 134,240,000 traded Wednesday. Trading was the lightest since the 119.39 million shares traded July 9.

The Dow was down 18 points with an hour of trading left, down 36 as of 3:30 p.m., and bottomed out with a loss of 50 at about 10 minutes before the closing bell, triggering the exchange's rule curbing program selling when the Dow falls 50 or more points.

Analysts blamed the exaggerated effect of program selling - used to profit on price spreads between stocks and stock-index futures - in a very thin market for the late plunge.

''Program trading was estimated to be as much as 15 percent of volume today,'' said James Andrews, first vice president in charge of institutional trading at Janney Montgomery Scott Inc. in Philadelphia. ''. in Philadelphia.

The exchange will be closed Monday for Labor Day, and Andrews said that given the still unresolved situation in the Mideast, many players wrapped up business until after the weekend, making for a very thin market.

''A lot of portfolio managers are looking to take off tomorrow, so they just wanted to even up positions before the holiday,'' he said. ''So I don't really think you can read too much into this.''

Stocks drifted at lower levels all day but a midday bout of program selling exacerbated early losses tied to higher oil prices and lower bond prices, which mean, respectively, more inflation and higher interest rates.

In New York trading, October crude oil futures closed up 85 cents at $26.77 a barrel. Oil plunged almost $2 a barrel Wednesday after the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries' agreement to boost production to make up for the oil lost in the Iraq-Kuwait embargo.

Treasury bonds also reversed course from Wednesday. Long-term Treasuries were down about 3/4 point late Thursday, after the Bank of Japan's decision to raise its discount rate to 6 percent from 5.25 percent. The yield on the bond rose to 8.99 percent from 8.92 percent late Wednesday. Treasury issues rallied as much as 1 1/8 points Wednesday.

On the trading floor, Placer Dome was the most active issue, unchanged at 17 5/8.

Wal-Mart followed, down 1 1/4 to 27 3/4 as retailers were weak amid fears of an imminent recession. Philip Morris was third, down 1 to 44 1/2.

Among the other blue chips, General Electric was down 3/4 to 61 7/8 in active trading, AT&T lost 1 to 31 1/2, also in heavy trading, and IBM tumbled 2 1/8 to 101 3/4 after announcing price hikes on some of its hardware and software products as of Jan. 1. Merck slumped 2 to 80, General Motors lost 1 3/8 to 39 1/4 and Coca-Cola tumbled 1 3/8 to 41 1/4.

Oil issues held firm during the plunge in oil prices Wednesday but lost ground as prices rose Thursday. Exxon fell 1 to 48 7/8, Texaco lost 1 1/8 to 62 1/8 and Chevron tumbled 1 1/2 to 75 1/4. The three are Dow stocks.

Elsewhere, Circus Circus Enterprises sank 2 to 47 7/8 after reporting a 25 percent drop in second-quarter earnings, which reflected expenses associated with the opening of its Excalibur resort.

Newmont Mining plunged 3 3/8 to 44 1/2. It has filed to offer 12 million common shares and 6 million warrants to buy additional shares.

And Melville sank 3 to 42. Smith Barney is said to have cut its investment rating and earnings estimates for the company.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 144,972,110 shares, downfrom 165,666,930 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index lost 1.32 to 322.91. Declines led advances 290-221 among the 772 issues traded. The price of an average share fell 4 cents. Composite volume totaled 12,449,150 shares vs. 13,160,100 traded Wednesday.

Salomon's put warrants on the Tokyo market's Nikkei index led the Amex issues, unchanged at 16.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 3.10 to 378.68.

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KOLOLI, Gambia (AUG. 30) UPI - Negotiators seeking a solution to the Liberian civil war Thursday named an interim president, vice president and National Assembly to run the country until elections can be held in a year diplomatic sources said.

The sources said Amos Sawyer, who was instrumental in drafting Liberia's current Constitution, was chosen to serve as interim president in a secret ballot by the approximately 60 delegates attending the conference.

Sawyer was appointed by current President Samuel Doe in 1982 as chairman of the committee that wrote Liberia's new Constitution in 1984, but as head of the Liberian People's Party was arrested in 1984 and held in jail long enough to prevent him from running in the 1985 election.

A former professor of political science at the University of Liberia, his agreement to serve as interim president means he will abandon his long-held desire of becoming an elected president to replace Doe permanently.

Bishop Roland Diggs of the Lutheran Church of Liberia was named to serve as interim vice president, according to the sources. Diggs is also a

member of the Interfaith Meditation Committee that has moderated the talks.

Diggs was first nominated for the post of interim president but lost on a secret vote, according to one participant who requested anonymity.

The conference, which is being sponsored by the Economic Community of West African States, was expected to formally announce the choices and close the negotiations Friday morning.

Sources close to the talks said negotiators were acting on the assumption the proposed interim government did not need the approval of either Doe or National Patriotic Front guerrilla leader Charles Taylor because they expect the 3,000-man peacekeeping force now in Liberia soon will be able to establish full control of the country.

The latest reports from the field indicated the force made up of troops from five West African nations was advancing toward the center of the capital of Monrovia from the city's port, which they control.

But reports that Burkina Faso, which opposes the intervention by troops from Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Guinea, Gambia, and Ghana, is sending arms and troops to support Taylor may make the task of establishing a cease-fire more difficult than originally expected.

The interim National Assembly, whose members were chosen without a formal vote, will be made up of a representative from each of Liberia's 13 provinces and a member of the seven political parties present at the talks including Doe's National Democratic Party of Liberia.

Rebel leader Prince Johnson's National Patriotic Front of Liberia movement was recognized as a political party by the conference and will have a seat in the interim National Assembly, the sources said.

The interim government will be based in an undetermined location in neighboring Sierra Leone until the peacekeeping force is able to establish a cease-fire, according to several sources.

A draft resolution prepared by the conference's technical committee recommends an elaborate chain of events to install the new president in keeping with the country's current constitution.

Doe, who came to power in a bloody coup in 1980, is to dismiss his Cabinet and obtain the resignation of the speaker of the House of Representatives as well as the deputy speaker and the president pro- tempore of the Senate before resigning himself.

The current vice president, Harry Moniba, would then assume the presidency appoint the Sawyer as interim vice president and resign, paving the way

for Sawyer to become president.

If Doe is unwilling to follow the plan Moniba would be named president, appoint Sawyer to a lone Cabinet position, obtain the necessary resignations, and then resign himself.

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(AUG. 30) UPI - U-N Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar arrived in Amman, Jordan, today and expressed hope that his meeting with Iraq's foreign minister will lead to a peaceful resolution to the Persian Gulf crisis. The two men are scheduled to meet tomorrow in the Jordanian capital. Despite his cautious optimism, Perez de Cuellar denied having a blueprint for peace. He also said he does NOT have the authority to bend U-N-imposed sanctions against Iraq.

The controversy surrounding country clubs hosting golf matches is now affecting the tournament held for the Southern Governors' Association. Three corporations- M-C-I, Telecom-U-S-A and Ross Laboratories- withdrew their sponsorship today because of the membership policy of the all-white country club in Natchez, Mississippi, that was to host the event. The match has been canceled.

One of the most influential organizations in Chicago's Chinatown community was one of four groups named today in an federal grand jury indictment aimed at an alleged nation-wide gambling ring. The On Leong Chinese Merchants Association of Chicago was one of the groups named. 29 people also were indicted. The ring is said to be headquartered in Chicago's Chinatown.

The European commercial rocket launcher is set for its second mission following a February 24th accident in which two Japanese communications satellites were destroyed. A French-built Ariane blastoff this evening. The rocket is to carry a pair of European communications satellites into orbit.

A federal appeals court today ruled that N-B-C acted without malice when it reported that organized crime figures played a role in Las Vegas singer Wayne Newton's 1980 purchase of the Aladdin Hotel. Newton sued the network and won 19-Million dollars in damages. Last year, that figure was reduced to five-Million dollars. Today's action by the Ninth U-S Circuit Court of Appeals dismisses the five-Million-dollar libel judgment.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30

largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 448.83, off 1.05 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.21	9.88
Anchor Fund Inv	14.68	15.58
Delaware Mutual	16.93	18.16
Fidelity Fund	16.61	16.61
Investors Mutual	10.93	11.50
Investors Stocks	18.02	18.97
IDS Equity Plus	8.88	9.35
Mass Inv Growth	8.39	9.05
Nicholas Fund	3.30	3.30
United Accumulated	6.28	6.86
United Income	17.05	18.63
Vanguard Wellington	15.93	15.93

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(AUG. 30) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	2
New lows	30

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	209	2,895,700
Declines	289	4,786,000
Unchanged	255	3,068,300
Total	753	10,750,000

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(AUG. 30) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Cancelled Reverse Stock Split				
Boca Raton Capital Corp - 1-for-5				
Increased				
Jones Medical Indus	Q	.02 1/2	10-5	9-26
Metrobank	Q	.08	10-20	10-1
Usual				
Baker Fentress & Co	Q	.12 1/2	10-4	9-18
Blount Inc cl-A	Q	.11 1/4	10-1	9-14
Blount Inc cl-B	Q	.10	10-1	9-14
Centel Corp	Q	.2133	10-31	10-5
Dreyfus Strategic MBF	M	.0595	9-26	9-12
Furon Co	Q	.06	9-28	9-14
Lancaster Colony Corp	Q	.19	9-29	9-10
Limited Inc	Q	.06	9-18	9-10
Security Fedl S&L	Q	.08	9-28	9-14
Southwest Water Co	Q	.22 1/4	10-20	9-30
Suave Shoe Corp	Q	.10	10-12	9-28
UnionFed Fincl Corp	Q	.11	9-25	9-11
Valhi Inc	Q	.05	9-28	9-14

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday that the basic U.S. money supply, narrowly defined under the name of M1, rose $2.7 billion in the latest reporting week. The broader aggregates M2 and M3 also rose.

M2 increased by $6.5 billion and M3 increased by $5.1 billion.

M1, which is made up of cash, checking accounts and NOW accounts - money that is available for immediate spending - rose to a seasonally adjusted average of $817.6 billion in the week ended Aug. 20 from a revised $814.0 billion the week before.

Over the latest 13 weeks, M1 averaged $810.2 billion, a 2.2 percent rate of increase from the previous 13 weeks, the Fed reported.

The broader measure of money, M2, averaged an estimated $3,306.4 billion in the latest week, up from a revised $3,299.9 billion. M2 includes M1, plus passbook savings, small time deposits, including money market deposit accounts, consumer money market mutual funds and certain other short-term assets.

M3, which includes M2 plus large time deposits, repurchase agreements longer than one day at banks and thrifts, and institutional money market funds, averaged $4,091.0 billion in the latest week, ahead from a revised $4,085.9 billion, the Fed said.

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CAIRO, Egypt (AUG. 30) UPI - The West pressed Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Thursday on when he would fulfill his promise to free foreign women and children in his custody, and the U.S. State Department said Iraq's use of red tape to delay departures was disgraceful.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler accused the Iraqi government of delaying the promised departure in a web of red tape and broken promises. There are an estimated 3,000 U.S. nationals in Iraq and Kuwait.

Tutwiler said new procedures announced by the Iraqi authorities meant that women and children who wanted to leave had to present a letter with an Arabic translation asking permission to depart. She said the hostages also had to have a stamp from an Iraqi ministry certifying all Iraqi taxes had been paid.

For foreigners still in Kuwait, that would mean a possible arduous journey to Baghdad.

The bottom line, according to the State Department, is that no U.S. women and children have been able to leave Kuwait or Iraq, despite Saddam's promise Tuesday that they would be allowed to go.

Tutwiler called the Iraqi procedure ''an emotional roller coaster that is both inhumane and disgraceful.''

Iraqi Ambassador Mohammed al Mashat spent about an hour talking to State Department officials for the second day Thursday but could give no firm date on when foreign women and children would be allowed to leave.

Al Mashat also denied Iraq was demanding Western nations fly in food and medicine aboard the planes that would take the foreign women and children out of the country.

In London, the Foreign Office said British diplomats in that city and Baghdad had received ''very little in the way of detail'' on the anticipated release of women and children. There are nearly 4,000 Britons trapped in Iraq and Kuwait.

The Foreign Office said 32 more Britons were taken from their homes in Kuwait and taken to civilian sites in Baghdad Thursday morning. A total of 197 Britons are believed to be in Iraqi custody, but none of them is a diplomat.

The Foreign Office said British diplomats were allowed access to a group of British women and children taken by Iraqi troops to a downtown Baghdad hotel early Thursday from detention centers so they could be interviewed by foreign television crews.

In Bonn, the West German Foreign Ministry said Iraq distributed travel forms to German women and children, and that the West German Embassy in Baghdad helped distribute applications and fill out the forms for 200 people. About 740 Germans are in Iraqi custody.

But the German Foreign Ministry said it did not know when Iraq would issue exit visas and how German nationals would be allowed to travel out of Iraq. Bonn said it was prepared to get its nationals out either by air or overland to Jordan or Turkey.

In Oslo, Norwegian government spokesmen said they were worried about an Iraqi request calling on them to deliver passports and lists of 52 nationals to the Iraqi authorities.

''What they'll get is a full list of all our nationals in Iraq and Kuwait and where they are,'' said one official. ''That is what we have been trying to keep from them throughout the crisis.''

The Italian government said Thursday Iraqi authorities withdrew passports from six Italians living in the SAS hotel in Kuwait City. The Italians were still living in the hotel but no charges had been made against them. There are about 460 Italians in Iraq and Kuwait.

U.S. and British television networks were able to film women and children apparently transported from detention in strategic sites to Baghdad to prepare for possible evacuation.

A correspondent for Cable News Network who spoke to some of the hostages said none of them appeared to know when they might be released.

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(AUG. 30) UPI - Moscow remains opposed to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait... but some Soviet officials are voicing concern about the possibility of Washington keeping U-S forces in the region even if the current crisis is resolved. A foreign ministry official says Moscow has received NO assurances that U-S forces will leave Saudi Arabia if tensions are reduced. Meanwhile, a Warsaw Pact leader says a U-S Persian Gulf presence could enable Washington to alter events in southern Soviet republics.

President Bush is calling upon the world community to join together to defray the cost of Operation Desert Shield. At a White House news conference today, Bush said Secretary of State Baker and Treasury Secretary Brady will visit various capitals to raise funds for the exercise. Bush said donations will reduce the U-S burden in deploying troops to the Gulf, as well as to soften the economic hardships in nations affected by the Iraqi embargo.

Tensions in the Persian Gulf have had far-reaching effects... especially at gas pumps around the world. The world's highest gas prices are thought to be in Italy, where the price per gallon is five-dollars- 13-cents. NOT far behind is France, where prices are four However, UNlike other nations, the two Western European countries say prices will be put on hold at least through the upcoming weekend.

New York police are searching for a lone gunman in this afternoon's fatal shooting of former Brooklyn political powerhouse, Vander Beatty. Beatty was slain as he campaigned in his Democratic campaign headquarters. Beatty served as a state senator until 1982, when he made an UNsuccessful run for the U-S House. Two years later, Beatty's fortunes plunged when he pleaded guilty to stealing funds from an anti- poverty agency.

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(AUG. 30) UPI - The judge in the largest record industry payola trial in U-S history says he may dismiss the case because prosecutors withheld key evidence that could absolve three people. Los Angeles U-S District Judge James Ideman says prosecutors failed to disclose that a key prosecution witness gave perjured testimony at his own tax and drug trial last year. That case overlaps into the payola trial.

The space shuttle Columbia appears to be free of leaks that have plagued other NASA spacecraft recently... but engineers are now scrambling to resolve another potentially crippling problem. One of the four telescopes aboard Columbia has suffered a loss of data. Officials say if a suspect electrical unit must be replaced, Saturday's planned lift-off could be delayed as long as one week.

A study of working conditions across the country has found that the

Southeast once again is the worst place for employees. The Southern Labor Institute study says the Southeast must begin treating its workers as a resource to invest in, if it plans to overcome the last-place ranking. The region was last in a similar survey two years ago. The coastal North was ranked as having the best working conditions.

A management company that handles re-possession of HUD homes is being sued for a very costly clerical error. An Austin, Texas, couple is suing J-B Goodwin Management Corporation for more than three Million dollars. The couple says the mangement firm emptied their home of its belongings and dumped them in a landfill, where they were bulldozed. The company had the wrong address.

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BOSTON (AUG. 30) UPI - A ''small'' California company with offices in Woburn, Mass., has won a contract worth up to $402 million to provide computer workstations and related services for military intelligence activities, the Air Force said Thursday.

Infotec Development Corp. of Santa Ana won the five-year contract in part because it is small and minority-owned, said Kevin Gilmartin, a spokesman at Hanscom Air Force Base in Bedford, Mass. A company spokesman, James Cradduck, said Infotec has about 600 employees.

Under the agreement, Infotec will buy computer systems from manufacturers and provide a variety of computer-related services, including installing the equipment at up to 75 sites around the world, Gilmartin said.

The contract is part of a ''networking capabilities'' program designed to give Air Force and other military intelligence installations the capacity to use workstations - small but powerful desk-top computers - instead of much larger and more expensive main frame computers, said Maj. James Daday the program manager.

The computers will primarily be used in intelligence data handling, mostly by the Air Force but also by other Defense Department agencies, Daday said.

The bulk of the contract is indefinite, the final figure based on how many of the intelligence facilities ask for the authorized equipment and services, Gilmartin said. He said up to $200 million in hardware and a maximum of $194 million in installation costs are included in the contract. Only an $8 million portion for other services is definite, Gilmartin said.

Infotec last year reportedly had $53 million in revenues, more than many small, publicly held corporations. The majority owner is J. Fernando

Niebla, a Mexican-American.

Infotec, primarily a developer of software and an integrator of computers and hardware, specializes in military work.

But their status as a small business was key in getting this contract, said Daday, the Air Force program manager.

''Essentially, the Small Business Administration is the one that had this (contract) be set aside'' for a small company, Daday said.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Assets of the nation's 520 money market mutual funds fell by $542.2 million to $407.45 billion in the week ended Wednesday, the Investment Company Institute reported Thursday. Average fund yields dropped.

The Washington-based institute said broker-dealer fund assets decreased $701.6 million to $165.37 billion, assets of general purpose funds increased $931.9 million to $143.38 billion and institutional fund assets fell $722.5 million to $98.7 billion.

Mutual funds were revised for Aug. 22 to $407.99 billion. The increase reported Aug. 22 was revised to $6.21 billion.

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said that average seven-day simple yields were at 7.48 percent, down from 7.51 the previous week, while 30-day simple yields eased to 7.50 percent from 7.52.

The average maturity of fund portfolios was unchanged at 45 days.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money market deposit accounts, 5.89 percent, down from 5.91; Super-Now accounts, unchanged at 4.98 percent; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.53 percent, up from 7.51 percent; 1-year CDs, 7.62 percent, up from 7.61 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.69 percent, up from 7.68 percent; and 5-year CDs, 7.80 percent, up from 7.79.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.30 percent up from 8.27.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage rose in the latest week

to 9.81 percent from 9.69, and the average rate for a 30- year, fixed-rate mortgage reached 10.12 percent from 10 percent.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was unchanged at 12.27 percent.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) UPI - The Resolution Trust Corp., in the largest contract it has awarded, Thursday named J.E. Robert Co. to manage some $2.4 billion assets that were owned by University Federal Savings Association of Houston.

The Alexandria, Va.-based J.E. Robert will be paid $21.8 million to manage the properties over three years and $19.6 million to dispose of the properites over that period.

The RTC said the actual management fee and property disposition fee will depend on the contractor's performance. Under its dispositon incentive system, the amount of fees earned would depend on both the speed of property sales and the amount of cash recovered.

The assets include $1.5 billion in nonperforming commercial loans and $835 million in commercial real estate owned by University Federal.

''We're working to sign contracts by the end of the year to manage and dispose of $20 billion to $30 billion of assets,'' said David Cooke, the RTC's executive director. ''Currently, the RTC is reviewing proposals from the private sector on more than 100 separate asset management and dispositon contracts.''

Cooke said such contracts are designed to promote timely sales at the highest posible prices rather than encouraging the contractors to hold the properties.

Separately, the residential asset portfolio of University Federal was awarded to Northcorp Realty Advisors Inc. of Dallas. The contract calls for the management and disposition of 431 single-family residential nonperforming loans with a book value of $21.6 million, and 1,215 single-family repossessed residential real estate assets with a value of $96.6 million.

Northcorp will be paid $2.4 million over a three-year period to manage the properties. The firm will also earn about $1.9 million in fees for disposing of the asets.

The total book value of assets held by University Fedral was about $3.8

billion when the thrift's deposit franchise was sold in October of 1989.

NCNB Texas National Bank purchased the deposit franchies and some of the thrift's assets from the RTC. Under an interim arrangement, the NCNB Corp. subsidiary also assumed management of the remaining assets.

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ABOARD THE USS INDEPENDENCE (AUG. 30) UPI - U.S. naval bomber pilots declared Thursday their readiness to strike military targets deep within Iraq, even at the risk of possibly harming thousands of Western hostages believed held as human shields at vital facilities by President Saddam Hussein.

Rear Adm. Jerry Unhur told reporters during a day-trip to the USS Independence that the U.N.-sanctioned blockade against Iraq is working ''extremely well,'' with Iraqi ships shying away from U.S., British and French naval forces and Baghdad's fighters avoiding any challenges in the skies.

''It appears that the Iraqis are being very conservative,'' said the commander of the battle group linked to the 80,000-ton vessel, which was steaming through waters between Oman and Iran near the Straits of Hormuz that lead into the Persian Gulf.

''At this point the Iraqis have not challenged us, and probably rightly so.'' Unhur said the USS Wisconsin, a World War II-era battleship armed with 16-inch guns and Tomahawk cruise missiles, had recently been topped up with fuel and was steaming through the gulf.

''The battleship complements very nicely the rest of the naval assets that are here,'' he said, explaining that it was patrolling the gulf with other destroyers and cruisers. ''It provides signficant firepower for inland targets.''

Washington has warned of Baghdad's ''war-making'' potential, and analysts believe any U.S. and Arab ground action to dislodge Iraqi troops from Kuwait would include an all-out air and naval assault on some 300 military and industrial targets deep within the Iraq.

The barrage would presumably involve the Wisconsin and other vessels capable of dispatching the extremely accurate cruise missiles from offshore.

Saddam's movement of seized Western nationals to unnamed military facilities is clearly aimed at creating a deterrent against such an operation, but a group of bomber pilots said they were willing to risk

paying such a price.

Cmdr. Don Nickles, the leader of a squadron of A-6E intruder bombers, said his aircraft were capable of destroying Iraqi military command centers, where he believed there would not be ''many hostages standing around in there.''

Nickles was asked about the prospects of his aircraft, which are armed with laser-guided ''smart bombs,'' inadvertently harming some of the hostages. He paused, then said: ''We are going to get a target, and our job is not to worry about who is there and not there. Someone else has to worry about the hostages.''

Unhur said Iraq had moved Silkworm and Exocet anti-ship missiles into Kuwait, but said these had not been activated against U.S. forces. The admiral said Saddam had constructed sea defenses in Kuwait because he apparently feared a seaborne invasion by the U.S. Marines.

''I think the Iraqis are worried that we will invade them and push them out,'' Unhur said.

He said the ships under his command in the gulf and northern Arabian Sea were routinely monitoring and intercepting about 300 merchant vessels to ensure that all goods except for medicene did not reach Iraq.

He said about five vessels had been boarded, the most recent in the Red Sea on Tuesday.

The operation is staged through the vessel's combat control room, a high-tech cocoon deep within the carrier where operators sit in a permanent blue twilight to ease their eyes to sophisticated monitors.

A data base has information on all the world's known merchant ships, and can instantly place on a color screen the locations of all known positions of U.S. naval vessels around the planet.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 30) UPI - President Bush announced an effort Thursday to persuade other nations of the world to share the costs - both military and economic - of the massive push to force Iraq from Kuwait.

At a White House news conference, Bush said he was sending Secretary of State James Baker and Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady on a multi-nation trip to coordinate contributions and donations to defray the costs of the operation.

Bush declared that it was important that the burdens of the operation, which has mostly been a U.S.-sponsored effort, be shared by ''anyone with a stake in international order.'

The United States, he said, was ''more than willing to bear our fair share of the burden ... but we also expect others to bear their fair share.''

Bush stressed that the costs of the operation involved not only the military operation, the brunt of which is falling on the United States, but also economic hardships being endured by countries observing the international economic boycott against Iraq.

''The sanctions are beginning to take hold,'' Bush said. ''We want to make sure that countries contributibng to this effort are not penalized.''

Specifically, Bush singled out Turkey, Egypt, Jordan and countries of Eastern Europe as needing economic help and added that the United States would also seek to have other nations pay for some of its military costs. The president, however, did not specify how much money he expected would be funneled to the United States.

Bush, who has been told by Japan that it is willing to contribute to the effort, said the United States was trying to take ''leadership in trying to sort out who should help whom.''

''That was voluntary, but it's got to be coordinated,'' he added.

Welcoming ''strong indications of support'' from abroad, Bush said the burden-sharing plan ''should help create a context in which sanctions against Iraq can be sustained with the intended effect.''

Later, as Bush returned to his seaside home in Kennebunkport, Maine to continue his summer vacation, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater told reporters the president telephoned several world leaders, including West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, Turkish President Turgut Ozal and the exiled emir of Kuwait, Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah.

Fitzwater said he had no list of countries that have made specific commitments to Bush's call for multinational assistance, but said ''at least a half dozen'' have offered money and supplies.

The Pentagon raised its estimate of the cost of the Middle East operation Tuesday to $46 million a day through Sept. 30, straining resources and severely complicating deficit-reduction talks between the administration and Congress.

That figure was more than double an initial estimate Aug. 17, which was

made before the call-up of almost 50,000 National Guard and Reserve personnel and a sharp increase in the price of fuel being used to transport U.S. forces.

Concern over the cost of the Middle East operation surfaced Tuesday in a meeting between Bush and some 150 members of Congress, who backed his actions to date but underscored a need for broader international participation in the campaign against Saddam Hussein.

''It is important that the considerable burden of the effort be shared by those being defended and those who benefit from the free flow of oil,'' Bush said. ''Indeed, anyone with a stake in international order has an interest in ensuring that all of us succeed.''

Though Bush said there was ''no total price tag'' in mind, administration officials said the proposed fund could top $10 billion, to be used both to cushion the impact of sanctions on countries dependent on trade with Iraq and to defray the costs of military deployments in the region.

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(AUG. 30) UPI - President Bush says Washington will seek international assistance to finance the Middle East troop deployment. Speaking at the White House this afternoon, Bush said senior members of his administration will solicit funds from- in his words- ''anyone with a stake in international order.'' Bush said some of the money raised would assist those nations most adversely affected by sanctions against Iraq.

The State Department is accusing the Baghdad government of subjecting Western women and children who want to leave Iraq to a maze of bureacratic red tape. Two days ago, Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein said women and children detained in Iraq and Kuwait could leave if they want to. But the State Department says those who want to leave must meet a variety of regulations... including a letter of intent with an Arabic translation.

A study released today by the Congressional Budget Office disputes President Bush's claim that a cut in capital gains taxes will be good for the economy. The study says slashing taxes on profits from the sales of assets would NOT significantly boost economic output or growth. The study adds that lower capital gains taxes would create a tax incentive for companies to retain earnings, rather than pay dividends.

The path toward German unity hit a new snag today as East German's parliament rejected a decision to move to the West files compiled by the former communist security police. It had been decided during re-unification talks that the files would be transferred to the West. East German legislators say they will vote against the re-unification treaty if

it contains a transfer clause. Approval of the treaty requires a two-thirds majority in both German parliaments.

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#90242u2585 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

GREENWICH, Conn. (AUG. 30) UPI - United Parcel Service has been chosen by the federal government to operate a new all-cargo air route to Japan, further expanding the company's international service, officials said Thursday.

UPS and Emery Air Freight of Palo Alto, Calif., were the only two companies to compete for the designation, said UPS spokesman Robert Kenney.

The U.S. Department of Transportation made the decision based on a recommendation by Administrative Law Judge Burton Kolko, said Patrick V. Murphy Jr., deputy assistant secretary for policy with the department.

''We expect this market will be a very profitable one and it opens up many opportunities for shippers in the U.S. and Japan to take advantage of this capacity to move their products,'' Kenney said.

UPS will operate six flights a week starting Oct. 1 with one Boeing 747 cargo plane that will leave from the company's air hub in Louisville, Ky., stop in Anchorage and head on to Narita Airport in Tokyo.

Kenney said the company expected to eventually expand service to Japan.

Emery was awarded backup authority on the route.

The cargo route was authorized Nov. 6, 1989, in an agreement between Japan and the U.S. calling for a substantial expansion of air service between the two countries.

''The department concluded that the UPS proposal in this case will afford more public benefits to U.S. shippers and other consumers in the U.S.-Japan cargo market,'' the transportation department said in a prepared statement.

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(AUG. 30) UPI - Freed Irish hostage Brian Keenan says thought his pro-Iranian captors kidnapped him because they thought he was British. Moslem extremists seized the Irish educator in Lebanon in 1986... several days after U-S forces bombed Libya. During an emotional news conference in Dublin today, Keenan said his captors showed him newspaper reports detailing the American military action when he asked why he was kidnapped.

There was NO stay of execution today for convicted murderer George Gilmore who is scheduled to die by lethal injection early tomorrow in Missouri. The Supreme Court for a third time in a decade rejected Gilmore's appeal to avoid the death penalty. Gilmore was sentenced to death for the 1979 murder of an elderly woman. The sentence is to be carried out at the Potosi Correctional Center.

Four people were injured- one critically- in an explosion today in the already tornado-devasted community of Crest Hill, Illinois. Officials say a mobile kitchen truck set up by a Baptist group to provide relief for tornado victims was set ablaze by a nearby propane tank that blew up. Today's accident occurred near the ruins of an apartment complex destroyed by Tuesday's twisters.

One of the nation's largest AIDS service organizations unveiled a sexually explicit board game designed to educate people about the deadly disease. The game... ''Speaking of Sex''... has players make decisions about different high- and low-risk sexual activities in order to advance around the game board. Developers of the game say it gets people to ask questions about AIDS.

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#90242u2660 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

CINCINNATI (AUG. 31) UPI - Federated Stores Inc. and two subsidiaries said Thursday they will negotiate with the Internal Revenue Service on IRS claims for $585.6 million in additional taxes sought as part of the companies' bankruptcy reorganization.

The subsidiaries are the Allied Stores Corp. and Federated Department Stores Inc.

The companies said the IRS filing, which had been expected by the Sept. 4 bar date for the IRS's submission of claims, was an important step in expediting emergence from Chapter 11.

The companies said they dispute and will vigorously defend against the $585.6 million in claims compiled by the IRS, but they noted the IRS staff had been extremely cooperative in helping to expedite the Chapter 11 tax claims process.

The companies said they hoped to negotiate a settlement with IRS representatives on most of the issues involved in the agency's audit over the next several months.

The IRS claims, exclusive of interest, are based on a Chapter 11- related audit for tax years 1984 through 1988.

The claims involve a number of tax issues, including the deductibility of merger and takeover expenses in both the Federated and Allied acquisitions by the Campeau Corp., and deferral of taxes on the gain from the sale of assets subsequent to the corporate acquisitions. Various other issues were unrelated to the takeovers or the sales of assets.

The $585.6 million being sought by the IRS represents pre- acquisition claims of $141.5 million against Federated and $118.7 million against Allied, in addition to claims of $325.4 million against parent FSI.

Claims against FSI are inclusive of Federated and Allied for the post-acquisition periods, said the companies, since federal tax law stipulates members of a controlled group (such as the companies comprising the FSI group) share tax liabilities for the whole.

Interest on the amounts currently totals $125 million, a sum that would fall as claims are reduced in a negotiated settlement, the companies said.

The companies said they and an IRS staff member will attempt to resolve disputed issues through negotiation. Failing that, U.S. Bankruptcy Court would have jurisdiction over remaining claims.

The companies said they currently were analyzing and processing a large number of other creditor claims, some of which could be material, submitted in time to meet a general Aug. 1 bar date.

These claims, they said, along with other categories of claims still to be submitted, also will be addressed as part of the companies' Chapter 11 reorganization.

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#90242u2666 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

AUSTIN, Texas (AUG. 31) UPI - The Texas Railroad Commission, responding to a request by President Bush, Thursday approved a 20,000-barrel-a-day increase in the state's oil production to help counter looming shortages caused by the Middle East crisis.

The action was largely symbolic, since Texas produces about 1.7 million barrels a day, and the worldwide oil shortfall expected from the Iraq-Kuwait embargo is expected to be up to 5 million barrels a day.

The amount is also insignificant in comparison to the production increase agreed to by members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries earlier this week. Saudi Arabia agreed to increase production by 2 million barrels a day, United Arab Emirates, 700,000; Venezuela, 600,000; and Nigeria, 100,000.

Railroad Commission Chairman Kent Hance conceded that 20,000 barrels would not make a dent in the shortage, but he said the state is obliged to do what it can.

''I think if you look at a 4 million to 5 million barrel shortfall, it's pretty insignificant, and yet we're going to be probably the second or third largest increased producer in the United States that can make some impact.'' he said.

Hance said if the stalemate continues and Iraqi or Kuwaiti oil remains unavailable, gasoline prices could rise to $1.50 per gallon and oil could go to $35 per barrel.

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BEIRUT, Lebanon (AUG. 30) UPI - The pro-Syrian government of President Elias Hrawi will launch a military operation to oust rebel army commander Gen. Michel Aoun if he does not concede by Sept. 9, official sources said Thursday.

''Gen. Aoun will have to make up his mind within a maximum period of 10 days: either to relinquish power peacefully and join the legitimate government (of Hrawi) or he will be uprooted by a military operation,'' an official source told United Press International.

The source, who requested anonymity, said force would be the last resort to put an end to Aoun's rebellion.

The Christian general, who commands a 15,000-strong army, has refused to relinquish power to Hrawi, also a Christian Maronite, and leave the presidential palace in Baabda, 5 miles southeast of Beirut.

Hrawi was elected president last November as a result of an Arab- brokered peace accord endorsed by the majority of Lebanese lawmakers in Taif, Saudi Arabia.

The source said Syria, the main power broker in Lebanon, started massing troops along the mountainous front lines with Aoun in Souk El Gharb, 7 miles southeast of Beirut.

''The Syrians are massing troops but they will not use force before exhausting all peaceful alternatives,'' the source said.

''Their approach resembles the American way in dealing with (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein in the gulf.

''This time, Hrawi's government and the Syrians are determined to end Aoun's mutiny even if they were left with the last option, which is force '' the source said.

The source said this was at the core of a one-day summit meeting held between Hrawi and Syrian President Hafez Assad Wednesday in Damascus.

The meeting was attended by Lebanese Prime Minister Selim Hoss and Parliament Speaker Hussein Husseini as well as high-ranking Syrian officials.

''Syria pledged to provide complete assistance to the legitimate authorities to extend its sovereignty on Lebanese territory and remove all obstacles in the way of the peace process,'' said a statement issued by the presidency after the summit.

Military sources in Beirut said preparations were under way by the Lebanese Army Command loyal to Hrawi to pave the way for a takeover of areas controlled by Aoun in Christian east Beirut.

Among the measures was the merger of certain Army brigades, the military sources said.

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#90242u2687 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AUG. 31) UPI - Bally Manufacturing Corp. won Nevada Gaming Commission approval Thursday to acquire KGN Leisure Ltd., a gaming device route operator based in Durham, England.

The corporation is acquiring the route operation, which has 1,000 to 1,300 gambling machines, for two million pounds, officials told the state.

Nat Solomon, a member of the board of directors of Bally and an experienced British gaming executive, will be chief executive officer of KGN Leisure, a wholly owned subsidiary of Bally.

The firm already is licensed in Great Britian.

Bally needed Nevada Gaming Commission approval to acquire KGN Leisure because state law requires Nevada gambling licensees to obtain state gaming agency permission before investing in foreign gambling.

Unrelated to the application, Bally representative Barton Jacka said the company planned to open its $10 million gaming machine manufacturing plant in Las Vegas Sept. 13. The company's current plant in Bensenville, Ill., closes Friday. The Las Vegas plant site is near McCarran International Airport.

Bally is the world's largest manufacturer of gambling machines.

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#90242u2688 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

PLAINFIELD, Ill. (AUG. 30) UPI - Debbie Weglarz and her husband kept $1,500 stashed in their garage for a rainy day.

The rains came Tuesday. So did a tornado. Now they can't find their garage.

''It's gone,'' Weglarz said Thursday. ''Not just the garage. Everything's gone.''

The Weglarz family, whose home used to be five miles north of Plainfield, is among hundreds who lost their homes to the savage storm that cut a swath from Plainfield to Joliet, southwest of Chicago.

The number of people killed by the twister rose to 26 Thursday with the deaths of two hospitalized children, and a man died of carbon monoxide poisoning when he tried to use a gas generator at his home. Sixty-one of the 355 people injured remained hospitalized Thursday, eight in critical condition.

The Will County Emergency Services and Disaster Agency pegged losses to private homes and businesses at $100 million. The damage was so overwhelming that President Bush needed only hours to respond to Gov. James R. Thompson's plea for a federal disaster declaration. Thompson issued a similar state declaration Wednesday, after tourning the devastated area.

The Weglarz family lived in their now destroyed home for 11 years. After the storm, the house, the garage, even the grand piano were gone. A neighbor's boat rested where their front door used to be.

Insurance adjusters swarmed over Plainfield and nearby Crest Hill, where an apartment complex was destroyed, assessing damage and writing checks to victims to cover their living expenses.

''We don't even have any idea how many claims there will be,'' said Greg Rossiter of Allstate Insurance Co. ''All we know at the moment is that we alone have 14,000 home and auto policies in the Plainfield and Joliet areas.''

Several insurance companies set up temporary claims offices to take reports and one savings and loan offered unsecured loans of $200. Secured emergency loans of up to $10,000 also were offered.

Storm-shocked victims carrying plastic garbage bags combed a cornfield adjacent to the wrecked apartment complex, searching for belongings strewn by the storm.

At least 10 dump trucks lined up at the apartment complex to collect debris and tow trucks dragged mangled cars from streets and fields.

Plainfield officials summoned structural engineers to assess the soundness of damaged buildings.

''The emergency is over,'' said Police Chief D.E. Bennett.

''Everyone knows what comes next,'' Weglarz said. ''It's time to rebuild.''

He and his wife will start with an emergency $6,000 check from their insurance company pending an evaluation of their loss.

Volunteers from the Salvation Army and Red Cross set up relief efforts throughout the stricken area. Scores of people lined up to give blood after hospitals reported shortages of types O and B, both negative and positive.

A propane tank near a Baptist Relief Organization truck exploded at the Crest Hill complex Thursday, injuring four people. The propane tank was being used by a mobile kitchen providing food for tornado victims. Police Sgt. James Albritton said officials could not immediately determine the cause.

The Joliet K mart served as a central gathering point for canned food and clothing donations to tornado victims.

Offers of aid even came from the Soviet Union, grateful for the help Illinois residents offered following the earthquake in Armenia.

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#90242u2787 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 30) UPI - Jennifer Capriati and Steffi Graf both won in runaway fashion Thursday, racing to within one step of a fourth round showdown in the U.S. Open.

The 14-year-old Capriati, an exuberant, delightful addition to big- time tennis, won nine games in a row to overwhelm Patricia Hy, 6-3, 6-1, and then declared her desire to win ''America's tournament.''

Graf, seven years younger than Capriati and winner of America's tournament the last two years, also coasted into the third round with a 6-1, 6-3 victory over Australian Rachel McQuillan.

If the two women win their next matches, they would meet in the fourth round. Last Sunday, in an exhibition at Mahwah, N.J., Capriati carried Graf to a third set before losing 7-5.

''This is the tournament I want to win most because I'm American and it's my own turf,'' sai Capriati, the 13th seed. ''It's America's tournament, so that makes it even more special.''

Hy, born in Cambodia and now living in Canada, had two points to go up 4-1 but Capriati turned things around quickly and captured nine games in a row.

''She was hitting her forehand well and I was making errors,'' said Capriati, the 13th seed. ''I cut down on the errors and she wasn't hitting the forehand for winners any more.''

Graf, the top seedd, needed 55 minutes to dispose of McQuillan and commented on the possible confrontation with Capriati by saying, ''It should be an exciting match to play against her here.''

Boris Becker, one short step from the top, came across a former great on the way down, and the result was an easy straight sets victory that catapulted the men's defending champion into the third round.

Becker, effective with his booming serve although he registered only two aces, crushed Yannick Noah, 6-4, 6-2, 7-6 (7-2), on a soft, sunny afternoon.

Becker, who often experiences difficulty in the early stages of major championships, such as the French where he was ousted in the first round, has yet to drop a set here.

''You can't win them all, you can't win 10 tournaments in a row,'' the 22-year-old West German said. ''That's not the way it's ever been, and that's not the way it is.

''But I'm No. 2 now, very close to No. 1, and that's pretty good, don't you think.''

Stefan Edberg, ranked No. 1 in the world, was beaten in the first round here, just as he was at the French Open, but is assured of retaining the top position in the next rankings.

Noah, who ranked among the top 10 for six years in a row, now has fallen to No. 35 and is disturbed about the state of his game. He didn't have a single break point in the first two sets, and although he converted on his only opportunity in the eighth game of the third set, he allowed Becker to

break back in the next game.

''I'm not happy with the way it went,'' said the 30-year-old Noah, who lost to Becker in the 1989 Open quarterfinals. ''I'm going to go home and think what comes next.

''I can't think of taking a break if I want to come back. If I take a break, it's for good.''

Becker was successful on 69 percent of his first serves.

The other seeds to play were successful, with the exception of No. 14 Jim Courier, a 4-6, 6-4, 7-6 (8-6), 7-6 (7-5) loser to South African Gary Muller. Muller delivered 24 aces, 10 of them in the final set, and added 25 service winners.

Monica Seles, the French champion and seeded third here, easily defeated Ros Fairbank-Nideffer, 6-2, 6-2, although she got a headache from the heat. The 16-year-old Yugoslavian has won 43 of her last 44 matches.

Americans Brad Gilbert, Aaron Krickstein and Michael Chang, seeded Nos. 8, 9 and 11 respectively, all won in straight sets. Gilbert defeated Rich Leach, 7-6 (7-4), 6-4, 6-2, Krickstein beat Jason Stoltenberg, 6-4, 6-2, 6-4, and Chang was a 7-6 (7-3), 6-3, 6-2 winner over Jimmy Arias.

Krickstein, an Open semifinalist last year, hurt a muscle below his right shoulder while serving in the third set, and said he was concerned about his third round match with Pat Cash.

Goran Ivanisevic, the No. 15 seed, won in four sets from Jean- Philippe Fleurian.

Muller, ranked No. 61 in the world, credited his serve with carrying him past Courier into the third round, the farthest he ever has gone in a Grand Slam.

''Anytime you can play well and beat a seed at the Open it's a great win, no matter what seed it is or how well you think you should do,'' he said. ''It's always nice to come through in those kinds of matches.''

Seles broke service in the opening game of each set, while Fairbank-Nideffer, a difficult opponent ranked No. 25, could break only once.

Seles, scheduled to play the second round match Wednesday night, was delighted when rain forced a postponement after a long delay.

''The last time I lost to her we started playing at 10:30,'' she

explained. ''I didn't want to play her that late. She has slow strokes and she can put you to sleep very quickly.''

Among the women, fourth seed Zina Garrison defeated Angelica Gavaldon, 6-4 6-0. Also winning were No. 6 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, No. 7 Katerina Maleeva, No. 10 Conchita Martinez, No. 12 Jana Novotna and No. 16 Barbara Paulus.

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(AUG. 30) UPI - U-N Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar arrived in Amman, Jordan, today for tomorrow's meeting with the Iraqi foreign minister. He downplayed expections surrounding what he called his ''difficult and delicate'' mission.

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The Iraqi News Agency says former U-S presidential contender Jesse Jackson met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today in Baghdad. NO details of the meeting were announced.

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In Cairo, Egypt... Arab foreign ministers met to discuss a report on the implementation of resolutions passed August 10th by the 21-nation Arab League calling for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. Eight countries, including Iraq, did NOT send delegates to the meeting.

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As diplomatic efforts to end the Persian Gulf crisis continued, President Bush in Washington asked other nations of the world to chip in to help pay for the efforts... both military and economic... to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

NASA officials are meeting tonight to discuss the problem with one of four telescopes aboard the Columbia that's threatening to further postpone the shuttle's already long-delayed astronomy mission. A decision to proceed with the countdown or delay the flight is expected tonight or tomorrow.

Another success for the European Space Agency. An Ariane 4 rocket blasted off tonight from the launch complex in Guiana on the northern coast of South America. About 20 minutes later, a pair of European communications satellites were safely ejected into preliminary orbit.

Lawyers for convicted killer George Gilmore have filed an 11th-hour appeal for a stay of execution with a federal judge in St. Louis. Earlier today,

the U-S Supreme Court refused to halt Gilmore's execution... set for early tomorrow... in the 1979 murder of an elderly woman.

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#90242u2913 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - The only word on the release of Westerners being held in Iraq is news of more bureaucratic snags that will keep them trapped in the country. U-S State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler accused Baghdad today of delaying the departures in a web of red tape and broken promises. Westerners must now write a letter, with Arabic translation, asking permission to leave... as well as prove they have paid all Iraqi taxes.

A spokesman for Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir today brushed aside Iraqi threats with tough words. Baghdad's threat to attack the Jewish state if war broke out in the Persian Gulf prompted the spokesman to vow that Israel would forcefully defend itself. The spokeman said Israel has proven in the past it can fight... and- in the spokesman's words- ''any aggressor will live to regret his actions.''

U-S officials say President Bush can expect Mexico to ask for negotiations on a free trade aggreement. A U-S Embassy official says judging by the Canadian talks, negotiations with Mexico will probably take between four and five years. He says soon after the official request, Bush will seek congressional approval of the talks. Mexico is America's third-largest trading partner.

South African security forces were deployed to a black township after white authorities cut off the community's water, sewage and electricity. Officials say they took the action after residents of the township boycotted payment for the services. Riot squads and army troops arrived in the area after receiving reports that ''people gathered in groups'' to protest the cutoff of services.

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#90242u2921 08/30/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 30) UPI - Researchers say early results of a new AIDS medication are promising. In a published study, they say 88 percent of patients with AIDS or AIDS-related symptoms were alive 21 months after starting treatment with D-D-I. That compares with a 50- percent survival rate for AIDS patients in early tests of the only government-approved AIDS drug, A-Z-T. People with AIDS who received NO treatment had a 25-percent survival rate after 21 months.

The Miami-based rap group 2-Live Crew will make its debut appearance this fall on pay-per-view television. The head of the company slated to

distribute the November 8th performance says the controversial rappers have designated a ''significant'' portion of the show's proceeds for the American Civil Liberty Union's efforts to fight censorship. The group has been deemed obscene by a Florida judge and various communities across the nation.

The sister of a Texas death row inmate found strangled earlier this week says her brother had been threatened by other condemned prisoners. Bettye Gutierrez says letters from her brother, Calvin Williams, told of threats from other prisoners who he owed money. Investigators have said the death may have been a suicide, but it's still under investigation.

An Air Force explosive expert says his staff will practice their skills on a rusty Soviet World War Two sea mine that washed ashore on a remote Alaskan island earlier this year. Senior Master Sergeant Michael David did NOT say how he planned to employ the 38-inch-diameter UNarmed steel mine. Air Force officials say the device turned up June 6th, but announced its presence only today.

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#90243b0012 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire

OVERLAND PARK, KS (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Sprint will begin providing communications relay service throughout the state of Texas on Sept. 1. Known as Relay Texas, the service will allow Texas residents who are deaf, hard of hearing, or speech impaired to communicate over the telephone with persons who have normal speech and hearing.

The Public Utility Commission of Texas awarded the Relay Texas contract in March to Sprint Services, a unit of U.S. Sprint. Operating out of Austin, Relay Texas will be operational 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. More than 100 people from the Austin area have been hired to serve as customer relay agents. An additional 50 may be hired within the next year.

To communicate with the center, persons who are speech and/or hearing impaired will use a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) or other compatible equipment. TDD users will dial a toll-free access number and will be in direct contact with a Sprint Services relay center agent. The agent will then connect the call to the requested number.

Once the call is placed, the agent will remain on-line to serve as a conduit between the two parties. A message typed into the TDD system is viewed by the agent, who then translates it orally to the party with normal speech and hearing.

The agent then receives the oral response, converts it into written form, and relays it back through the TDD system. Calls may be initiated by either a TDD user or a person with normal speech and hearing.

According to Peggy Fields, director of operations for Relay Texas, agents have received extensive training in deaf awareness and sensitivity, as well as American Sign Language transliteration. This enables agents to identify a variety of sentence structures and language patterns used exclusively by people who are speech or hearing impaired.

"We are committed to providing Texas residents with the highest quality of service possible," Fields said. "As part of this commitment, our agents have spent many hours in class learning how to relay conversations and emotions accurately over the telephone.

"Through our participative training and role playing, agents are able to understand the special communications needs of users who are speech or hearing impaired and help provide them the equal communications access they need."

Fields says that customer relay agents may handle as many as 175,000 calls a month. Nearly $4 million has been invested by Sprint Services in state-of-the-art electronic switching and computer equipment, building improvements, furniture and fixtures for the Relay Texas center.

CONTACT: U.S. Sprint, Overland Park, Janis Langley, (202) 857-1030; after 6 p.m. (703) 533-3322 or Cheryl Sherman, (816) 276-6284; after 6 p.m. (913) 339-9014.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Earl Scheib announces financial results.

EARL SCHEIB INC.
Consolidated Statements of Income
First Quarter Ended July 31

	1990	1989
Net sales	$16,975,000	$17,188,000
Income before taxes	2,203,000	2,460,000
Income taxes	854,000	932,000
Net income	1,349,000	1,528,000
Per share	30 cents	33 cents
Outstanding shares	4,563,000	4,563,000

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DENVER (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Com-Tek Resources Inc., the Denver-based oil and gas company, announced Friday that it has reached an agreement in principle to merge with Crescent Oil and Gas Corp., also of Denver, on the basis of Com-Tek issuing an initial 5.6 million new shares to acquire 51 percent of the company.

Crescent's major asset is its gas properties in Montana, including producing wells, with some five billion cubic feet of proved gas reserves.

Jim Ellerton, president and chairman of Com-Tek Resources, said that the merger, when completed, would result in an enlarged company with positive cash flow from its current operations, virtually no debt, and substantial economies of scale at an administrative level.

The proposed merger is subject to approval by both companies' board of directors, the relevant regulatory agencies, and a definitive agreement to be completed by Sept. 30, 1990. The transaction is to be deemed effective from July 1, 1990, and completion is expected to take place in January 1991, with Com-Tek issuing a further 5.4 million shares to acquire the remaining shares in Crescent.

Ellerton said he looks forward to Al Ramer, president of Crescent, who is a geologist, joining the company, noting that there were no other extra staff costs attached. He also looked forward to welcoming Ron Grooms, a director of Crescent, to the board of the merged company. Grooms is senior vice president, treasurer and chief financial officer of Financial Programs Inc. (a subsidiary of INVESCO MIM Plc) and INVESCO Trust Co.

Separately, Com-Tek reported for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, oil and gas sales reaching $104,147 for the three months compared to $76,831 in the corresponding period in 1989. The increases represented in part new sources of revenue from the Leavenworth, Kan., gas interests acquired in July 1989. Better results from the company's Canadian properties also contributed.

These results were achieved despite lower oil and gas prices during the quarter, with the average price approximately $16 per barrel of oil equivalent. Recent events and the substantial rise in worldwide energy prices means the company is optimistic that average prices for its oil and gas production are likely to be higher in the current quarter.

Fees from consulting and other sources totalled $101,986 giving a total revenue for the quarter of $207,068 ($78,669). Total revenues for the first nine months of the company's fiscal year were $448,077 ($223,939). Total expenses for the quarter were $150,945 ($190,606) giving a net income of $56,123 compared to a loss of $111,937 in the same quarter of the previous year.

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George Collie & Co., London, George Collie, 071/224-5975.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - KLA Instruments Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:KLAC) announced Friday it has expanded its printed circuit board equipment unit (KLASIC) into a stand-alone division, consistent with the prior announcement of Patrick H. Lamey Jr. as KLASIC general manager.

Friday's expansion announcement comes partly as a result of significant product line additions and record new orders achieved by KLASIC during KLA's fourth fiscal quarter, ended June 30, 1990.

KLASIC's initial product, the KLA Series 3000 AOI (Automated Optical Inspection) System, was originally introduced in 1988, and has recently achieved superior competitive performance in a wide variety of difficult inspection tasks including complex outer layers.

During the past 18 months, KLA has positioned KLASIC for continued growth through significant product line additions such as the KLA CAM-3000 (Computer Aided Manufacturing), System, the KLA IRC (Inspection Repair Center), the KLA DataDrive (database inspection reference source), and the KLA Assistant Series (data analysis software).

Lamey, a corporate vice president and a six-year employee, was previously vice president of Corporate Strategic Marketing and has served in various key marketing and management positions at KLA. Lamey reports to Bob Anderson, KLA chairman.

The KLASIC Division was formed approximately three years ago to apply KLA's High Speed Image Processing technology to inspection and process control applications in production of complex printed circuit boards.

During October 1989, several units of the KLASIC division were consolidated with KLA's reticle and photomask division (RAPID), the oldest division of KLA, as a productivity and efficiency measure during a period of flat printed circuit board industry sales. KLASIC's restructuring into a full stand-alone division was effective July 1, 1990.

KLA Instruments Corp. is a leading innovator of industrial image automation systems.

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ANAHEIM, CALIF. (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Rockwell International Corp.'s Defense Electronics organization Friday announced a restructuring of its communications, avionics, and command and control business units to maximize their market and technical strengths.

The company's Collins Government Avionics Division (CGAD) and the communications and intelligence business segment of Collins Defense Communications (CDC) are being combined to form the Collins Avionics and Communications Division, which will be headquartered in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Concurrently, the command and control systems business segment of Collins Defense Communications in Richardson, Texas, is being combined with the Autonetics Command and Control Systems Center located in San Bernardino, Calif., to form the Command and Control Systems Division (CCSD). The new division will have headquarters in Richardson.

''The moves are a continuation of a process that began in March 1990 when the corporation formed Defense Electronics by combining its Autonetics businesses with one of its Collins defense businesses,'' said John A. McLuckey, Rockwell's Defense Electronics president.

''It has been our long-term plan to capitalize on the breadth of capabilities of our various business units, and realign these businesses by key core competencies to maintain our market leadership positions and penetrate new markets,'' added McLuckey.

''In June 1990, we restructured our Anaheim and Georgia businesses. With today's announcement, we are completing the process of realigning our business segments.''

The new Collins Avionics and Communications Division will be headed by Jack D. Cosgrove, president, and Robert P. Marovich, executive vice president. ''The combination of CGAD and CDC's communications and intelligence business will significantly enhance our competitive posture for the future,'' Cosgrove said.

''The complementary strengths in RF engineering and digital signal processing capabilities, combined with ever-increasing common markets and common customer focus, led to this very natural combination,'' he added.

Rockwell International is a $12 billion multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses.

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RICHARDSON, TX (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Rockwell International Corp.'s Defense Electronics organization Friday announced the formation of the new Richardson-based Command and Control Systems Division (CCSD) that will better position the company in the growing command and control market.

The new division was formed by merging the Richardson-based command and control systems business segment of Collins Defense Communications (CDC) with the San Bernardino, Calif.-based Command and Control Systems Center -- formerly part of Rockwell's Autonetics Strategic Systems Division.

CCSD will have headquarters in Richardson and will be headed by Ronald A. Kodimer, who is appointed vice president and general manager, and Edward J. Stephens, executive vice president. The division also has major facilities in San Bernardino and Shreveport, La.

Concurrent with this announcement, the company's Cedar Rapids, Iowa-based Collins Government Avionics Division is being combined with the communications and intelligence business segment of Collins Defense Communications to form the Collins Avionics and Communications Division (CACD).

CACD will have headquarters in Cedar Rapids and will be headed by Jack D. Cosgrove, president, and Robert P. Marovich, executive vice president.

Other Defense Electronics Divisions that continue to report to McLuckey are: Autonetics Strategic Systems Division headed by Dr. Thomas L. Gunckel, vice president and general manager; Autonetics Marine and Aircraft Systems Division headed by Kenneth F. McQuade, vice president and general manager; and the Tactical Systems Division headed by Paul B. Smith vice president and general manager.

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Tom Snow, 214/705-3447

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REDMOND, WA (AUG. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Nintendo of America Inc. has launched its newly formed relationship with Foote, Cone & Belding (FCB)/San Francisco with three television commercials which showcase

Nintendo's creative philosophy: having fun through game play transcends all ages.

By incorporating real-life scenarios in all three commercials, Nintendo demonstrates how its Game Boy portable video game system can play a role in the lifestyles of two disparate age groups: kids and teens, ages 6-17; and adult males, ages 18-49.

According to Vice President of Marketing Peter Main, Nintendo faced the challenge of educating adult players that Game Boy isn't just for kids, while continuing to fuel the enthusiasm that younger players already have for the portable video game system. ''A growing number of Game Boy players -- more than 40 percent -- are adults, in great part because they understand that it is not only enjoyable, but acceptable to play. Our new adult Game Boy spot plays on real-life reactions to the game play experience by demonstrating that it's okay to have fun,'' he explained.

The commercial, ''Never Get Old,'' which premieres Sept. 3, portrays three adult males playing Game Boy in work environments. Their reactions are communicated visually, not verbally, a departure for Nintendo, and are heightened by music which emphasizes the substantive nature of Game Boy to the potential adult player.

The commercial will be seen nationally on the Fox Network during prime time, as well as in 10 major spot markets during prime time, late fringe and sports programming. FCB used a ''kids-talking-to-kids'' approach to reach more of Game Boy's youthful core target audience. According to FCB Group Creative Director Tim Price, the campaign is both novel and powerful because of its simplicity.

Young players express in their own jargon how they feel about the Game Boy hardware system as well as the new Game Boy game title, ''Qix.'' ''It doesn't matter if adults know what 'slammin' or 'Nintendo-word' means, it just matters that the kids understand and relate,'' Price explained.

In fact, in many scenes from the commercial, ''Let the Games Begin,'' the child actors were not aware that the camera was rolling. Price noted that this documentary style of shooting helped capture honest moments and communicate the appeal of a product which has already made it into the homes of more than 3.5 million players since its introduction last July.

Based in Redmond, Nintendo of America Inc. sells personal, home and arcade video games in the United States. The company is the headquarters for marketing operations in North America and is the subsidiary of the world's largest manufacturer and marketer of video games, Nintendo Co. Ltd.

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DENVER (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - The outstanding shares for Pierce International Inc., have been reduced by 35 million shares, a 25 percent reduction, in an agreement in which R. Clark Underwood resigned as an officer and director of Pierce International and its various subsidiaries in exchange for ownership of Underwood Financial Management Inc.

Underwood has undertaken all the liabilities both past and future for Underwood financial.

Underwood Financial was doing business under Pierce Financial Services which will now incorporate and continue to offer financial services to individuals and businesses. Underwood has also surrendered all his rights to the company's warrants and his equity interest in Pierce International Gold Inc., (800,000 shares). He retains 2.5 million shares of Pierce International. These shares are restricted from trading for at least 2 years.

In addition to acquiring ownership of Underwood Financial, Underwood was assigned a 20 percent override on royalties of the company's Silver Eagle investment, which in exchange for the assignment, Underwood will manage the investment.

Underwood resigned his posts as of April 1, but the terms of his termination were not finanized until Aug. 20.

Management feels very positive about the agreement because of the high overhead associated with operating Underwood Financial. Although Underwood Financial generated revenue, expenses far exceeded any benefit derived by the company. PI will continue to operate a financial service division in a more efficient manner; relying heavily on existing staff.

In addition the consulting contract with Richard C. Underwood has been terminated and he has decided to continue his rail car leasing business on his own. The association with Richard C. Underwood was very profitable to both him and the company and Pierce International thanks him for his efforts.

The company believes that with these reductions in equity interest that other shareholders will benefit. In addition, the reduction should be helpful when PIGI and PI apply for listing on an exchange. This applicaiton will be made after produciton has begun on the APAN joint venture property (gold and gravel).

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Worldwide shipments of semiconductor production equipment grew 2 percent in the second quarter of this year, according to Semiconductor Equipment and Materials International.

The SEMI Market Statistics Program reported that second quarter equipment shipments were $2.04 billion, compared to $2.01 billion in the first quarter. Assembly and test equipment recorded the biggest increase, up 6 percent to $620 million. Front and equipment shipments were $1.4 billion, unchanged from the first quarter.

Shipments to North America jumped 4 percent to $780 million during the quarter, compared to $750 million in the previous three months. North American backlog continued to build as new orders exceeded shipments, resulting in a 1.1 book/bill ratio (net orders/shipments).

Second quarter shipments to Japan were $870 million, down 3 percent from $900 million.

Shipments to Europe and the rest of the world were up 8 percent to $390 million, compared with $360 million in the first quarter.

SEMI is an international trade association based in Mountain View, with offices in Brussels, London, Seoul, Tokyo and Washington.

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DENVER (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Chemex Pharmaceuticals Inc. has been informed by the NASD that effective immediately its common stock and warrants for the purchase of common stock will continue to be included for quotation in the National Association of Securities Dealer's Automated Quotations System (NASDAQ) via an exception from the capital and surplus requirements.

While Chemex Pharmaceuticals Inc. failed to meet this requirement as of June 30, 1990, the NASD, after an Aug. 28, 1990, hearing on the matter, has granted a temporary exception from this standard subject to Chemex Pharmaceuticals Inc. meeting certain conditions. While the company believes that it can meet these conditions, there can be no assurance that

it will do so.

If at some future date the company's securities should cease to be quoted on the NASDAQ System, they should continue to be quoted in the over-the-counter market.

For the duration of the exception, the company's NASDAQ symbols will be CHMXC for its common stock (previous symbol - CHMX), CHMMC for its Series 1989-1 warrants (previous symbol - CHMXM) and CHMLC for its 1994-2 warrants (previous symbol CHMXL).

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TORONTO (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Delrina Corp. (To:DC) Friday announced that its wholly owned Delrina Technology Inc. subsidiary has begun shipment of its PerFORM PRO Designer & Filler program.

PRO is the most advanced forms processing product available anywhere, designed from the ground up to take full advantage of the power Microsoft's new Windows interface delivers.

''This event marks two years to the day since Delrina first introduced its award-winning PerFORM 1.0 product under GEM,'' said Bert Amato, Delrina's Executive Vice-President. Three new versions of PerFORM have been released since that time and nearly 80,000 units have been shipped. ''We expect PerFORM PRO to fast become our flagship product.''

''Reaction from the Windows community and initial feedback from our beta testers suggest that PerFORM PRO will quickly become a mainstream application under Windows,'' said Mark Skapinker, Delrina's president. ''A tremendous effort has gone into ensuring its compatibility with Windows 3.0 and other Windows applications. Any serious Windows user will be very comfortable with PRO.''

''Every Windows user who fills in forms should be using PRO, and I don't know of any Windows user who doesn't fill in forms,'' said Dennis Bennie, Delrina's chief executive officer.

According to Microsoft sources, there are more than 30 million MS-DOS users who can quickly and easily add Windows 3.0 to their machines. Microsoft expects to sell nearly five million copies of Windows in the next 12 months.

PerFORM PRO Designer & Filler has been positioned as a high end product

and is recommended to corporate and government users. The program includes unique font definition and ''on the fly'' generation software licensed from Agfa Corp. of Wilmington, Mass., and private key encryption for signature locking licensed from RSA Data Security of Redwood City, Calif.

Three special HP printer drivers are included to ensure fast form printing using HP Laserjet printers.

PerFORM Filler and electronic forms created with PerFORM Designer can be shared and filled in by multiple users on local area networks. Users are able to write forms directly to dBASE formats and search on forms stored in the same format. Filler also includes an innovative fast mode feature allowing speedy form filling.

PerFORM PRO Designer & Filler is available immediately at the suggested list price of $495 (US), $595 (Cdn). All current PerFORM users are able to upgrade to PRO at a special reduced price.

The Windows 3.0 graphical environment has become a significant part of Delrina's product development strategy. The company has recently introduced two other Windows-based technologies. The list includes a range of innovative PC fax board drivers and applications, and a breakthrough form-trace product to automate the creation of PerFORM forms, using pattern recognition techniques.

Based in Toronto, Delrina Corp. develops, publishes and markets business, information and system management software products and services for the IBM PC, PS/2, IBM compatible and Hewlett-Packard computer markets.

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COLUMBUS, OH (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - On Aug. 30, First AmeriCable Corp. and its wholly-owned subsidiaries completed the sale of substantially all of their assets to TCI Holdings Inc. for a final purchase price of approximately $40 million.

The terms of the sale included placing approximately $1.6 million into escrow for as long as 18 months to provide for certain post-closing obligations and to provide a fund for any breaches of contractual representations and warranties.

As explained in the proxy statement dated April 4, 1990, after payment of all outstanding liabilities and provision for federal and state taxes, the

company intends to distribute an amount equal to at least 15 cents per common share to all shareholders of record of the company as of the close of business on Sept. 11, after which date the books and records of the company will be closed and no further transfers of the stock will be recorded.

Distribution of the 15 cents per share amount will be in the form of a dividend check and will occur approximately Sept. 17. Payment of the balance of the sales proceeds in an amount up to 3 cents per share which are attributable to the net amount held in escrow will occur in approximately March, 1992.

The company will communicate with you at that time. The company will not require the shareholders to tender their stock certificates to the company prior to receiving their distribution.

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H. Ronald Breeding, 614/888-8080

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SALT LAKE CITY (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Prime Resources Corp. (NASDAQ:PLDS) Friday reported record earnings and revenues for the second quarter and six months of 1990.

For the quarter just ended, net income reached $137,425 or 3 cents per share on record revenues of $3.3 million compared to a net loss of $130,150 or 3 cents per share on revenues of $2.9 million for the same period a year ago. This represents a significant increase in net income and a 16 percent rise in revenues.

For the six-month period, net income reached $347,333 or 7 cents per share on record revenues of $6.8 million compared to a net loss of $211,560 or 5 cents per share on revenues of $5.6 million last year. This represents a significant increase in net income and a 20 percent rise in revenues.

Income from operations also reached an all-time high for the second quarter and six months of $196,581 and $440,979 respectively.

''We are pleased with the company's continuing growth and profitability,'' said Brad Brower, chairman of Prime Resources. ''Most of this growth stems from increased market penetration and the recent completion of a $300,000 switching facility in Salt Lake City. 1990 is shaping up to be a record year for Prime Resources.''

Prime Resources Corp., with its wholly owned subsidiary Prime Long Distance Service, is involved in the long-distance telecommunications

business, offering its 14,500 predominantly commercial customers international calling, coupled with data and fax transmission through its satellite and fiber optics network.

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PROVO, UT (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Larson Davis Inc. (NASDAQ:LDII) Friday released selected financial information related to the company's year-end results as of June 30.

Brian G. Larson, president, stated ''We are encouraged by recent trends and especially the last year's performance. Revenues increased by 29 percent and pre-tax income was up over 400 percent.''

Larson also pointed out that the mix of domestic and foreign sales in the Instrumentation Systems Group gives the company added flexibility. ''Our increased foreign sales provide us with a stable market in this uncertain economy. All sectors of our targeted industry have been increasing and we anticipate this to continue. In the event of adverse economic news we are poised to react quickly to either the foreign or domestic markets and maximize our ability for sustained growth and profitability.''

A portion of the Information Systems Group was reorganized during the past year. The manufacturing and marketing functions of Advantage Software Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary, were transferred to a third party. The contract specified compensation through a cash purchase price and a royalty stream. The net effect will be reduced cost to the company and increase profitability.

Larson observed, ''If the change had been made in the Information Systems Group at the beginning of the fiscal year, revenues would still have increased 28 percent and cost savings would have almost doubled pre-tax income. Net revenues of $5,421,000 would have been $5,373,000 and pre-tax income would have increased from $255,000 to $488,000.''

The information presented is management's representation and subject to audit adjustments. It is suggested that this selected financial data be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes included with quarterly reports and the company's audited financial statements dated June 30, 1990.

Larson Davis Inc.

	Year Ended June 30, 1990	Year Ended - a June 30, 1989
BALANCE SHEET		
Total Assets	$7,900,000	$5,200,000
Total Liabilities	3,200,000	2,400,000
Total Stockholders Equity	4,700,000	2,800,000
OPERATING RESULTS		
Net Revenue	$5,421,000	$4,204,000
Cost of Materials	1,737,000	1,180,000
Research & Development	742,000	631,000
Selling, General & Administrative Expenses	2,429,000	2,188,000
Operating Income	513,000	205,000
Other Income & (Expenses)	(258,000)	(154,000)
Income Before Income Taxes - b	255,000	51,000

a) Information provided for the year ended June 30, 1989, was derived from the audited financial statement of the same date. The rounded figures have been provided for comparative purposes only. b) The income numbers do not reflect the effect of federal and state tax liabilities. These calculations had not been completed at the time of the press release. Taxes should apply at a rate of approximately 40 percent.

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CHARLESTON, SC (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Federal Savings Bank and Cooper River Federal Savings Bank of North Charleston (NASDAQ:HFSB) Friday jointly announced the signing of a non-binding letter of intent to merge their organizations, creating the second largest financial institution based in Charleston County, S.C.

The combined companies will have assets of approximately $430 million. The merger of Cooper River and Home Federal will create a 10-branch network serving the tri-county area from Moncks Corner and Summerville to the peninsula of Charleston, West Ashley and Mt. Pleasant.

Deposits of the merged companies will exceed $350 million, which is approximately 10 percent of total deposits in the Trident area. The combined capital base of the merged institutions is expected to exceed all regulatory requirements for net worth.

Commenting on the proposed merger, John M. Settle, chairman of Home Federal, said, ''We are looking forward to joining forces with one of the oldest and most respected financial institutions in the Trident area. Our organizations have complementary operations with little overlap of

branches, personnel and data processing.

This will allow us to merge our collective strengths into a new organization that will result in better customer service and enhanced product offerings. We expect stockholders to benefit from an increase in equity and increased float in the stock.''

''Cooper River and Home Federal are both committed to serving the tri-county area,'' noted George R. Rogers, President of Cooper River Federal. ''The proposed merger with Home Federal will allow us to enlarge our market area while retaining our existing staff and branch network. Since Cooper River is currently a mutual association, the proposed merger will allow our depositors to become stockholders of the merged institution and participate in our future growth.''

The proposed merger is subject to regulatory approvals, the signing of a definitive agreement, and the approval of Home Federal's stockholders and Cooper River Federal's members. The process is expected to take from six to ten months to complete.

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ARLINGTON, VA (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Oracle Complex Systems Corp. (OCSC), the systems integration subsidiary of Oracle Corp., announced that it has been awarded a prime contract worth approximately $4 million by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) to provide a sophisticated database system to support the association's information and administrative requirements for financial, membership, and exposition management.

Through its education, publications, conferences and exhibitions, SME serves the professional needs of more than 80,000 practitioners worldwide that make up the manufacturing community.

Under terms of the five-year contract, OCSC will provide state-of-the-art hardware, software, network, training and maintenance to replace the association's entire MIS with a new Integrated Information System (IIS).

The Oracle-based system includes a full function database management system with the latest technology - single point of data capture, high-level security, data integrity and a common repository of data which can be shared by users.

Application systems in the IIS will function as building blocks for SME to

grow and control its environment through the use of personal workstations, ad hoc query capabilities and report generation.

"After a thorough evaluation which included extensive live performance testing, we selected OCSC as our systems integrator," said SME selection committee chairman and SME president-elect Jim Barcus. "OCSC's project management experience, along with its strong technical solution tailored to our needs, will provide SME with the flexibility and expandability to serve our membership.

The new IIS wil be more than just an information system/administrative infrastructure project for SME; it will be the memory bank and nerve center of our organization - and the principal delivery vehicle for timely and responsive service for our members."

The IIS will include: application software, written entirely in Oracle's fourth generation language SQL Forms, from Orange Systems, a leader in association management business systems; a full range of database tools and office automation products and relational database from Oracle; and from Sun Microsystems high performance LAN based servers on an integrated Ethernet with fiber optic bridges linking SME's three facilities.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - To kick off the Labor Day weekend, U.S. Sprint is offering its first long distance Labor Day sale. From 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. Friday night, U.S. Sprint customers, and subscribers to other long distance companies as well, can make interstate calls anywhere in the United States at a special low rate of ten cents per minute.

"With gas prices on the rise and world events as they are, Americans may not be traveling as much this weekend as they usually do on Labor Day. This discounted rate, on top of our already reduced evening rates, provides a special opportunity to talk to friends and family this Labor Day weekend," said Jorge Rodriguez, vice president of marketing and advertising for U.S. Sprint.

U.S. Sprint's special rate is available for all of its basic one-plus dialing customers and U.S. Sprint's discount calling plan, Sprint Plus. Casual callers, or non-U.S. Sprint customers, can also receive the special discounted rates by dialing 10333 + 1 to access the U.S. Sprint network. Callers then can simply dial the area code and number.

"You don't have to be a Sprint customer to enjoy the benefits of discounted

rates on the holiday," Rodriguez said. "We invite all long distance consumers to try Sprint's fiber-optic network and enjoy this special sale." U.S. Sprint customers will receive U.S. Sprint's traditional weekend rates throughout the weekend and holiday rates on Labor Day.

U.S. Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Westwood, Kan.

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BASEL, SWITZERLAND (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Roche Holding Ltd. and Genentech Inc. jointly announced that they will complete their pending merger transaction on or about Sept. 7, after both companies entered into a consent decree earlier Friday with the Federal Trade Commission.

The provisions of the consent decree, formally known as an agreement containing consent order, will require that Genentech divest its interest in a partnership formed to develop a recombinant process to produce ascorbic acid and that Roche divest its technology with respect to human growth hormone releasing factor.

The decree also requires Roche to grant non-exclusive licenses under its U.S. patent rights with respect to Roche's CD4. Genentech stockholders of record on the date that the merger becomes effective will receive, for each two shares they own, $36 in cash and one share of a new redeemable commn stock. The redeemable common stock has been approved for listing on the New York Stock Exchange.

During the next five years, Roche has the right to redeem the outstanding 43 million shares, or 40 percent, at escalating prices ranging from $38 per share for the remainder of this year to $60 per share in 1995.

Unless redeemed, the remaining shares will be traded on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE: GNE). Roche has a right to purchase additional shares on the open market at any time to raise its equity holding to up to 75 percent.

Roche has designated two of its executives, Dr. Armin M. Kessler, Roche chief operating officer and a member of the Roche board of directors and Professor Jurgen Drews, head of corporate research and member of Roche's Executive Committee, to take seats on the Genentech board of directors.

The agreement was first announced on Feb. 2 and was subsequently approved

on June 8 by 97 percent of the Genentech stockholders who voted on the transaction. The companies entered into the consent decree in order to resolve concerns over competition that the FTC said it had regarding the transaction.

As required by law, the terms of the consent decree will appear in the U.S. Federal Register and be subject to public comment for 60 days, after which the FTC commissioners will decide whether to make it final. The public comment period does not prevent the companies from completing the transaction, which they plan to do on or about Sept. 7.

One of the provisions of the agreement between the two companies is that either company may withdraw from it if the transaction is not completed by Sept. 1. Roche and Genentech each have agreed not to exercise its termination right prior to Sept. 15.

CONTACT: Genentech Inc., South San Francisco, Jack Murphy, (415) 266-1615 (media contact) or Linda Fitzpatrick, (415) 266-1034 (investor contact) or Roche Holding Ltd., Basel, Max Gurtner, 011/41-61-688-5554 or 011/41-61-401-3639.

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INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Anton H. ''Tony'' George was elected today to the board of directors of both Indiana Energy Inc., parent company of Indiana Gas Co. Inc., and Indiana Gas Co.

George, president of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, was elected to fill new seats created as a part of Indiana Energy's recent acquisition of Terre Haute Gas Corp. and Richmond Gas Corp.

The Hulman-family interests, including George, who is the grandson of Tony Hulman, are substantial shareholders of Indiana Energy as the result of the recent acquisitions. The Hulmans have also been long-time shareholders of Indiana Gas and Indiana Energy.

The 30 year-old George has a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Indiana State University. He serves on the board of directors of Terre Haute First National Bank, Indiana State University Foundation, the United States Auto Club, the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and Hulman and Co.

CONTACT: Indiana Energy Inc., Indianapolis
Julie A. Vincent, 317/321-0572

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - The U.S. Department of Justice Friday announced that Martin Marietta Corp. has paid an additional $2,565,377 to settle allegations that one of the company's subsidiaries overcharged the government for the costs of computer facilities.

The company has already paid $898,000 to settle a portion of this case.

The subsidiary, Martin Marietta Electronics and Missiles Group (MMEMG), Orlando, Fla., disclosed in Sept. 1986 that it had overcharged the government for the use of computer facilities at MMEMG's Technical Computation Center.

''We encourage all government contractors to come forward with any information regarding billing irregularities as soon as it is discovered '' said Stuart M. Gerson, assistant attorney general in the Civil Division.

An investigation by the Defense Criminal Investigative Service (DCIS) determined that by providing inflated cost data, MMEMG received more money than it was entitled to had the true costs been revealed.

As a result of the company's cooperation, the False Claims Act allows for the reduction of civil damages from three to two times the government's loss in cases where the company reports the problem and cooperates during the investigation.

CONTACT: U.S. Department of Justice, Washington
Michael Robinson, 202/514-2007

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KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - SAZTEC International of Kansas City, a world leader in information technology, announced Friday the results for the fiscal year 1990.

For the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, SAZTEC reports revenue of $16,289,308 which was a decrease in revenue from $19,030,090 for the year ended June 30, 1989. The net loss was $598,518, which compares to income of $1,028,045 for the previous year. Earnings per share decreased to a 17 cents loss vs. income of 30 cents for the same period last year.

The primary factors contributing to the year-end downturn in profitability include a loss on a 1986 investment in a leveraged lease of $414,400, resulting in a loss from continuing operations of $336,200; and a loss from the company's discontinued hardware division of $262,400.

Other factors associated with the year-end downturn include a delay in

revenue from telephone utility contracts and a continued investment in the Information Conversion Express (ICE) network.

''Last year was a transitional year for SAZTEC International. The company discontinued its hardware division and focused on product development and expansion through acquisition. SAZTEC is starting fiscal 1991 with a clean state.

''We are already seeing a significant increase in revenue, primarily from the telephone industry, in the first quarter of fiscal year 1991,'' said Thomas L. Reed, chairman and chief executive officer of SAZTEC.

''When a company is in a growth stage such as SAZTEC is in, quarter-to-quarter volatility is expected. Though SAZTEC experienced short term losses in both the third and fourth quarters of FY 1990, the company will see long-term gains in profitability resulting from the actions taken this past fiscal year,'' said Reed.

SAZTEC, an international leader in the use of computer technology, provides comprehensive services to convert information for use on computer systems.

CONTACT: SAZTEC International, Kansas City
David Roberts, 816/483-6900

-30- 2222
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SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - The U.S. Department of Justice Friday announced that a federal grand jury in the Northern District of California has returned a five-count indictment against Harris Corp.'s Digital Telephone Systems Division (DTS) and two of its officers for their role in a scheme to bribe officials.

The indictment charges Harris Corp.; John D. Iacobucci of Novato, Calif., DTS vice president and general manager; and Ronald L. Schultz of Novato, Calif., DTS director of human relations, with one count of conspiring to violate the antibribery and accounting provisions of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA); three counts of violating the antibribery provisions of the FCPA; and one count of violating the accounting provisions of the FCPA.

Theodore S. Greenberg, deputy chief of the Fraud Section of the Criminal Division, said, ''The department continues to view violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act as serious matters and will pursue them accordingly.''

Harris Corp. is ranked 57th among Department of Defense contractors in

terms of total dollar volume of contracts awarded. The DTS Division manufactures telephone switching systems.

The indictment charges that from January through June 1989, Iacobucci retained New York consultant, Robert D. O'Hara, who represented that he had connections with officials of the Colombian government.

Iacobucci agreed to pay money through O'Hara and a local company, to a member of the Camara de Representantes, the national legislature of Colombia, in return for the members' influence in obtaining government telecommunications contracts for Harris Corp.

In addition, Iacobucci and Schultz paid O'Hara $22,835, a portion of which was to be used to pay other officials of the Colombian government in return for their influence in obtaining contracts.

The indictment further charges that Iacobucci and Schultz prepared and directed the preparation of false invoices, check request forms, and other internal documents so that Harris Corp.'s accounts would not accurately reflect the fact that a portion of the money paid to O'Hara was to be used to bribe various Colombian government officials.

If convicted on all charges, Harris Corp. faces a maximum fine of $9 million. Iacobucci and Schultz each face a maximum period of 30 years imprisonment and fines of $1.55 million.

The matter is being handled by Judith B. Wish and Scott W. MacKay of the Fraud Section's Defense Procurement Fraud Unit and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

CONTACT: U.S. Department of Justice, Washington Doug Tillett, 202/514-2007

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Medco Research Inc. (the Company)(NASDAQ/BoSE:MEDR/MRE.B) announced Friday that the company and William C. Govier, M.D., Ph.D., the Company's former director of research and medical affairs, have been named as defendants in a lawsuit recently filed by a former shareholder of the company.

Also named as defendants in this lawsuit are: Manfred Mosk, Ph.D., and Sanford J. Hillsberg, Esq., who are officers and directors of the Company.

The lawsuit alleges that sales of the company's securities by Dr. Govier in March 1990 violated the federal securities laws in that Dr. Govier allegedly possessed at the time of his sales certain materially adverse information not disclosed to the public concerning the status of the

potential sale of the Company and that Dr. Govier failed to disclose his sales at that time.

The lawsuit also alleges that the Company and the individual defendants violated the federal securities laws by not disclosing certain information in the company's April 9, 1990, press release and Form 10-Q for the period ended Feb. 28, 1990, concerning the potential sale of the company that caused those reports to be materially misleading.

The plaintiff is seeking to maintain his lawsuit as a class action and is asking for unspecified monetary damages from the defendants.

The company and its officers and directors named as defendants in the lawsuit believe that they have not engaged in any wrongdoing and intend to vigorously defend themselves in connection with this matter.

CONTACT: Medco Research Inc., Los Angeles Sanford J. Hillsberg, 213/553-4441 213/854-1954

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SCOTTS VALLEY, Calif. (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Borland International Inc. (NASDAQ:BORL) Friday announced that the action it had filed in San Francisco Federal Court against Lotus Development Corp. was dismissed, thereby allowing the Boston Federal Court to decide where the case between the parties should be decided.

In late June and early July, Borland and Lotus filed lawsuits in San Francisco and Boston both seeking to determine whether Quattro and Quattro Pro spreadsheet software products infringe any Lotus copyrights.

''This decision does not address copyright infringement, but merely where the case may be heard,'' said Dick O'Donnell, director of corporate communications. ''Quattro and Quattro Pro are original programs and do not infringe on Lotus 1-2-3 and we will contine to seek court confirmation to that effect.''

Borland International Inc. is a leading developer of high-performance software products. Borland offers some of the most widely used software products including Paradox, Quattro Pro, Sidekick, Turbo Pascal, Turbo C, Turbo C+ and Turbo Debugger & Tools.

CONTACT: Borland International, Scotts Valley Dick O'Donnell, 408/439-1631

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HAYWARD, Calif.(SEPT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - American Bionetics Inc. (NASDAQ:AMBI) reported sales of $2,342,092 for the fiscal year ended May 31, vs. $3,566,827 posted the year earlier.

Net loss for the period was $1,953,409 (12 cents per share) vs. $1,646,751 (11 cents per share) in the previous year.

American Bionetics Inc. develops, markets, manufactures and distributes worldwide, tests, reagents and instruments for clinical, biomedical and biotechnology applications.

American Bionetics Inc.
Consolidated Statement of Operations
For the years ended May 31, 1990, 1989 and 1988

	1990	1989	1988
Sales	$ 2,342,092	$ 3,566,827	$ 3,718,335
Cost of sales	1,865,164	2,254,857	2,204,962
Gross profit	476,928	1,311,970	1,513,373
Selling, general and administrative expenses	1,319,465	2,292,901	1,851,706
Research and development expenses	808,350	796,166	857,613
Other expense (income)			
Litigation settlement	147,084	--	--
Interest expense (income), net	155,438	131,437	5,504
Other income	--	(261,783)	--
Net loss	$(1,953,409)	$(1,646,751)	$(1,201,450)
Net loss per share	(12 cents)	(11 cents)	(8 cents)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	16,260,422	15,361,239	14,757,759

American Bionetics Inc.
Consolidated Balance Sheet as of May 31, 1990 and 1989

(Condensed)

ASSETS	1990	1989
Assets		

Total current assets	$1,863,596	$2,122,399
Property and equipment, net	275,167	383,369
Other assets, net	586,617	835,823
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	$2,725,380	$3,341,591
Liabilities		
Total current liabilities	1,611,078	1,654,103
Accrued liabilities	550,433	723,098
Capital lease obligations	50,369	125,597
Convertible notes payable	--	1,000,000
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	2,211,880	3,502,798
Stockholders' equity (deficit) Common stock, no par value - authorized 40 million shares; issued and outstanding 22,136,464 and 15,410,427 shares in 1990 and 1989, respectively	9,076,086	6,747,970
Additional paid-in-capital	300,000	--
Accumulated deficit	(8,862,586)	(6,909,177)
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Total stockholders' equity (deficit)	513,500	(161,207)
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	$2,725,380	$3,341,591
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CONTACT: American Bionetics Inc., Hayward
Joan Stein, 415/732-9000

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MILPITAS, CALIF. (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Quantum Corp. (NASDAQ:QNTM), a leading supplier of high-performance hard disk drives for personal computers and workstations, has announced the appointment of two new vice presidents: Michael A. Brown, vice president of marketing, and Ken Lee, vice president of engineering.

Brown, 31, is responsible for directing all marketing activities for the company's OEM (original equipment manufacturer) business. Since joining Quantum in 1984, he has served in a variety of marketing positions including product marketing manager and director of product marketing, and was instrumental in developing the company's business plans for its entry in the 3-1/2-inch hard drive market.

Brown previously served two years as a research associate at Braxton

Associates, a strategic planning consulting firm. He holds a degree in economics from Harvard University and a master's of business administration from Stanford.

Brown fills a vacancy created by the appointment of Mark D. Wilson to the newly created position of vice president of portable storage products business.

Wilson, who joined the company as vice president of marketing in 1988, now has overall responsibility for development and marketing of disk drive products designed for the laptop, notebook, portable, and low-end desktop computer markets.

Since its founding in 1980, Quantum has emerged as a leading independent manufacturer of reliable, high-performance, mass storage systems for business, engineering, and scientific computing. The publicly held company is recognized for setting new standards of performance, quality and reliability in disk drives destined for demanding desktop workstation and PC applications.

Quantum markets its drives to OEMs and distributors worldwide. Plus Development Corp., a Quantum subsidiary established in 1983, designs and markets personal computer storage enhancement products for end users which are marketed through 2,500 dealers worldwide.

CONTACT: Quantum Inc., Milpitas
Catherine Hartsog, 408/432-1100

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NASHVILLE, TN (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Fidelity Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:FFTN) Thursday announced that its board of directors has approved an additional stock repurchase program to acquire up to 200,000 shares of the corporation's common stock, which represents approximately 6% of the current outstanding common shares.

The corporation has completed its previously announced plan of July 18, 1990, to acquire up to 5 percent of the outstanding common shares. The timing of the purchases and the exact number of shares to be repurchased will be dependent on future market conditions.

Stanley D. Overton, chairman of the board, president, and chief executive officer of the corporation, stated, ''The board of directors continues to believe that the current price of the company's common stock does not reflect the true value of the company.

''This decision to, again, repurchase outstanding common shares is based

on the fact that the stock is currently selling for less than 50 percent of our tangible book value per share. Fidelity Bancshares has a ratio of stockholders' equity to assets of 10.9 percent, and our earnings have continued to be strong.

''Therefore, the Board of Directors believes that repurchasing our own stock is an extremely attractive investment that will enhance the value of the remaining outstanding shares.''

Fidelity Bancshares Inc. is the parent company of Fidelity Federal Bank, FSB, and its common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FFTN.

CONTACT: Fidelity Bancshares Inc., Nashville
C. Eugene Whittle, 615/726-4300

-30- 1809
#90243b0619 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire
LOS ANGELES (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Carolco Pictures Inc. (NYSE:CRC) announced Friday that its warrant reduction offer expired at midnight EDT on Aug. 30.

The warrants are no longer exercisable and all unexercised warrants will be redeemed for $3 per warrant on Sept. 4. All outstanding warrant certificates will be automatically canceled on the books of American Stock Transfer & Trust Co., the warrant agent, on Sept. 4.

The warrant reduction offer was made upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Offering Circular dated July 3.

Issuance of common stock upon excercise of the warrants and redemption of the warrants is subject to compliance with applicable federal and state securities regulations.

CONTACT: Carolco Pictures Inc., Los Angeles
Thomas K. Levine, 213/850-8800

-30- 980
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WOBURN, MA (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - MedChem Products Inc., Pharmacia Inc. and Dr. Endre Balazs requested today that the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit adjourn for one month the oral argument date currently set for Sept. 7, 1990 in their ongoing litigation.

The grounds for the proposed adjournment are that the parties are close to an agreement in principle that will dispose of the current patent

litigation between the parties. However, as there are still certain details to be worked out between the parties, discussions are expected to continue in order to resolve these differences. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the matter will ultimately be settled.

MedCham Products Inc. develops, manufactures and markets biomedical products for use in surgical and ophthalmic markets. These products, derived from naturally occurring biomaterials, help surgeons to perform delicate operations more safely and effectively.

CONTACT: MedChem Products Inc., Woburn
Daniel E. Geffken, 617/938-9328

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#90243b0628 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire

BOSTON (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - United Asset Management Corp. (UAM) announced Friday that it has completed the previously announced acquisition of Cambiar Investors Inc., of Englewood, Colo.

The firm will continue to operate under its own name and will maintain its business independence in keeping with UAM's long standing policy.

Cambiar manages approximately $400 million in equity accounts for a number of regional institutions and individuals as well as several large national clients. The firm emphasizes a value-oriented style, emplying strong fundamental disciplines. Cambiar is headed by Michael S. Barish, president.

United Asset Management Corp. provides investment management services, primarily to institutional clients, through 23 operating firms which manage approximately $38 billion for 3,600 clients located throughout the United States and abroad.

UAM is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, Ticker Symbol: UAM.

CONTACT: United Asset Management, Boston
A.B. des Cognets, 617/330-8900

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WESTFORD, MA (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation and Pentek, Inc. today announced the availability of the Pentek System 4080 Digital Signal Co-Processor on Concurrent's 5000 and 6000 real-time UNIX systems. The Pentek co-processor will be sold through Pentek's sales organization.

Pentek's System 4080 Digital Signal Co-Processor will be used in conjunction with Concurrent's Laboratory Workbench (LWB) software product. The combination of these products provides greater continuous input sampling above the normal LWB throughput rate. This is accomplished by offloading some of the processing tasks to Pentek's dedicated processor, thereby increasing system throughput rates. The user will also be able to link programs written in either C or FORTRAN programming languages via a user-function graphical icon.

''Concurrent is pleased to have Pentek join our third party vendor program. When integrated with our LWB software product, the Pentek co-processor allows for a user-friendly and highly productive workstation '' said Pam LaBove, third party marketing manager at Concurrent Computer Corporation.

Pentek manufactures a complete line of high-performance digital signal processing and data acquisition products for VMEbus in Multibus I and II computer environments.

Concurrent Computer Corporation is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through the Commerical Products, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems Groups, provide real-time solutions to the commerical, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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Brynett Stephen/Virginia Small
(508) 692-6200

Pentek:
Rodger Hosking
(201) 767-7100

-30- 2064

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LOS ANGELES (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Utilitech Inc. (NASDAQ: UTLLE, UTLLWE) common stock will continue to be included for quotation in the National Association of Securities Dealer's Automated Quotation System (NASDAQ) via an exception from the filing requirement.

While Utilitech failed to meet this requirement as of July 16, 1990, the NASD has granted a temporary exception from this standard, subject to Utilitech meeting certain conditions. While the company believes that it can meet these conditions, there can be no assurance that it will do so.

For the duration of the exception, the company's NASDAQ Symbol will be UTLLE. If at some future date the company's securities should cease to be quoted on the NASDAQ System, they should continue to be quoted in the over-the-counter market.

Nathan Hevrony, Utilitech chairman and chief executive officer said the delays in filing the company's year-end and first quarter financials are the result of the integration into the company of two major acquisitions, Yorkville Industries Inc. in December 1989 and Decora Manufacturing in April 1990, as well as the discontinuation of certain other operations.

The above steps add substantially to the company's asset base and are expected to raise revenues from an estimated $8 million for the fiscal-year ended March 31, 1990 to more than $60 million in the current fiscal year and to result in a significant profit in the current year, the first profit in the company's history.

The company, therefore, does not anticipate any problem with meeting NASDAQ maintenance requirements, once its 10K and 10Q have been filed.

CONTACT: Utilitech Inc., Los Angeles, Lauren Roberson, (213) 441-4119 or Wall Street Financial Corp., Los Angeles, Edda Brown or Harley R. Gleckman, (213) 552-1555.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Continuing its growth in the Texas market, Central Bancshares of the South Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CBSS), has made its fourth acquisition in the north Dallas area.

Its Texas affiliate, Compass Bank - Plano, Thursday announced it has assumed the deposits and acquired certain assets of First Bank of Plano under agreement with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., First Bank of Plano has approximately $9 million in deposits.

The First Bank of Plano facilities will begin operating under the Compass Bank name on Friday, Aug. 31.

Harry B. Brock Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Central Bancshares Inc., stated: ''We are pleased to announce the latest member of the Central Bancshares team. With the addition of First Bank of Plano, we are continuing to strengthen our position in the north Dallas area. Central has made a major commitment to expanding in Texas and this is yet another step to increase our base of operations there.''

With the latest acquisition, Compass Bancshares Inc., has assets of approximately $387 million. Compass is a wholly owned subsidiary of

Central Bancshares Inc., a bank holding company with assets of $4.8 billion and a capital base of more than $315 million. Shares of the corporation's common stock are traded in the NASDAQ national market System under the symbol CBSS.

CONTACT: Central Bancshares of the South, Birmingham
Charles Bretz, 205/933-3962
Gary Hegel, 205/933-4272

-30- 1676
#90243b0654 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire

PARAMUS, N.J. (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - TSS Ltd. (NASDAQ: TSSL), a development stage company, Friday reported results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended May 31.

The company also announced the signing of a letter of intent with an investment banking firm to obtain additional financing.

Revenues for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended May 31, 1990 were $229,518 and $469,405, respectively, compared to $48,296 and $68,574, respectively, for the fourth quarter ended May 31, 1989 and the period from May 31, 1988 to May 31, 1989.

The increases in revenues for the fiscal 1990 periods over the year ago periods were due primarily to coupon distribution revenue from the company's The Savings Spot in-store promotional program, which commenced commercial operations in late May 1989, and $154,677 of interest income derived from investment of the net proceeds from the company's initial public offering commenced in November 1989.

The company posted net losses for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended May, 1990 of $1,570,874, (or 18 cents per share) and $4,985,429 (or 77 cents per share), respectively, compared to $767,988 (or 19 cents per share) and $2,110,501 (or 52 cents per share), respectively, for the fourth quarter ended May 31, 1989, and the period from May 31, 1988 to May 31, 1989, based upon the weighted average number of shares outstanding for each period.

The increased losses in the fiscal 1990 periods, compared to the year ago periods, reflected substantial increases in costs due to expanded operations which were not offset by corresponding increases in revenues.

TSS Ltd. is a publicly traded company. Its common shares, warrants and units are listed on NASDAQ under the symbols TSSL, TSSLW and TSSLU, respectively.

CONTACT: TSS Ltd., Paramus

Stephen A. Collins, or Hank Lazarr, 201/265-2320

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK. (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Dillard Department Stores Inc. (NYSE:DDS) announced that the board of directors declared a 5 cent per share regular quarterly cash dividend on its Class A and Class B common stock payable to stockholders of record as of Sept. 30, 1990, and to be paid on Nov. 1, 1990.

The company had previously announced a sales increase of 23.1 percent for the second quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990. Earnings per share for the quarter were 80 cents this year compared to 57 cents last year.

CONTACT: Dillard Department Stores, Little Rock
James Freeman, 501/376-5980

-30- 777
#90243b0661 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire
CLEVELAND (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - R. Thomas Green Jr. has been elected executive vice president of Oglebay Norton Co.

Green previously was vice president-iron ore operations of the Cleveland-headquartered minerals and Great Lakes shipping company. Oglebay Norton owns interests in and manages taconite mining and pelletizing operations at Eveleth, Minn.

Green joined Oglebay Norton in 1965 and advanced through several management positions. He was elected executive vice president of Central Silica Co. in 1975 and president of the subsidiary in 1977. He was elected a corporate vice president in 1983.

Green is a board member and past chairman of both the American Iron Ore Association and the Lake Superior Industrial Bureau, and he is also a member of the American Mining Congress and the American Institute of Mining Engineers.

CONTACT: Oglebay Norton Co., Cleveland, Jack Yewell, (216) 861-2835.

-30- 1090
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LITTLE ROCK, AK (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - TCBY Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:TBY) has received a summons and complaint in a lawsuit which purports to be a class action against the company and certain of its directors and officers seeking an unspecified amount of damages due to

alleged misrepresentations and omissions in statements concerning the company's sales, earnings and business.

The company believes that the allegations are without merit and intends to defend the suit vigorously.

CONTACT: TCBY Enterprises Inc., Little Rock
Mimi M. Hurst, 501/688-8229

-30- 749
#90243b0683 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire

AKRON, OH (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - American Business Computers Corp. (NASDAQ:ABCC) has completed the SEC Registration (S-3) of approximately 7,500,000 shares of Common Stock as announced in the April 23, 1990 release.

No new shares were included in this Registration. This Registration consists of shares presently held by purchasers from various private placements and, those held by certain Directors of ABCC. ABCC itself, did not place any shares in this Registration.

American Business Computers Corp. develops and markets state-of-the-art products for the foodservice industry, which increase the efficiency, control, and profitability of food and beverage operations.

CONTACT: American Business Computers Corp., Akron
Bob Cutting, 216/733-2841

-30- 949
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ABITA SPRINGS, LA (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Akorn Inc. (NASDAQ: AKRN) reports financial results.

AKORN INC. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Three Months Ended		Fiscal Year Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Sales	$ 4,004,042	$ 3,589,145	$14,246,278	$12,337,308
Operating income	727,934	466,162	1,731,742	1,153,023
Income before extraordinary item	513,041	399,962	1,357,986	1,122,004
Extraordinary loss on settlement of escrow		(90,822)		(90,822)

Net income	$ 513,041	$ 309,140	$ 1,357,986	$ 1,031,182
Per share: Income before extraordinary item	$ .046	$ .038	$ .123	$ .103
Extraordinary loss		(.008)		(.008)
Net income	$ .046	$ .030	$ .123	$ .095

Sales for the fourth quarter were the highest in the company's history, surpassing the $4 million level. Expansion of the company's product line, growth in the direct-mail area, along with private label sales from the company's manufacturing operations contributed to this growth.

Operating income was also the highest in the company's history, representing a 56.2 percent increase over the comparable period of 1989. Maintenance of gross margins, along with continual review of controllable expenses were the major factors contributing to these results.

Income before extraordinary item reached record levels surpassing the comparable period of 1989 by 28 percent. The increase in income before extraordinary item is less than the increase for operating income due to a continued decline in funds available for investment.

Available funds have declined in 1990 primarily due to the recent acquisition and financing of manufacturing operations and purchases of the company's treasury shares.

Consolidated sales exceeded the $14 million level in fiscal 1990 and represented another record amount for the company. This sales growth, as noted above, is related to expansion of the company's product line, growth in the direct mail area and the acquisition of manufacturing operations.

Fiscal 1990 operating income increased 50.2 percent over the prior year and reached record levels. Income before extraordinary item for fiscal 1990 reached its second highest level in the company's history and represented a 21 percent increase over fiscal 1989. Sales increases, as discussed above, and cost containment measures were responsible for the strong growth in earnings.

CONTACT: Akorn Inc., Abita Springs, Barry D. LeBlanc or Doyle S. Gaw, (504) 893-9300.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Monika Klein, chief executive officer

of Management Technologies Inc., has resigned her position effective Sept. 15.

She will remain a member of the corporation's board of directors through the end of the company's fiscal year or until the next annual meeting of shareholders.

Barrington J. Fludgate, a founder of Management Technologies who has been serving as the corporation president and chairman of the board, will become the chief executive officer.

Management Technologies, a developer of software for international banking trades on NASDAQ under the symbols MTCI for common stock and MTCIW for warrants.

CONTACT: Management Technologies Inc., New York
Tom Groenfeldt, 212/239-8224

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#90243b0699 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire

LEXINGTON, MASS. (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Lexington Savings Bank (NASDAQ:LEXB) announced that its agreement to merge with Waltham Savings Bank was approved by shareholders at a Special Meeting today, Aug. 31, 1990.

Lexington Savings Bank reported that 1,735,076 shares were voted in favor of the transaction and represented 75 percent of the total issued and outstanding shares.

The Agreement of Merger, dated May 9, 1990, provides for the exchange of all the shares of common stock of Lexington Savings Bank for $10.75 cash per share and the merger of Lexington Savings Bank with and into Waltham Savings Bank. Waltham Savings Bank will survive the merger and continue its operations as a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Waltham Corp. Consummation of the merger is subject to regulatory approvals.

Lexington Savings Bank is a $210.5 million, FDIC/DIFM insured, full service financial institution serving the suburban Boston metropolitan area.

CONTACT: Lexington Savings Bank, Lexington
Douglas R. Keyes or Constance V. Hope, 617/862-1775

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NEW YORK (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Shorewood Packaging Corp. (NASDAQ:SHOR)

Friday announced that it has entered into an agreement to acquire substantially all of the operating assets of Toronto Carton Ltd. for an undisclosed amount of cash.

Toronto Carton Ltd. is a major manufacturer of folding cartons used in both the Canadian and United States markets.

It's contemplated that this transaction will be consumated on or about Oct. 1.

''We look forward to the addition of Toronto Carton Limited to the Shorewood group of companies,'' stated Paul B. Shore, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer. ''This acquisition will add a new dimension for Shorewood both in Canadian and United States markets and will increase our capabilities to expand our operations in the general consumer packaging area.''

Shorewood Packaging Corp. and its subsidiaries print and manufacture high quality paperboard packaging for such industries as music, home video, food, tobacco, film, cosmetics and toiletries.

The company is based in New York City, with key operations in Farmingdale, New York; LaGrange, Georgia; Andalusia, Alabama; Virginia, Canada and England.

CONTACT: Shorewood Packaging Corp., New York
Murray B. Frischer, 212/371-1500

-30- 1463
#90243b0711 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire
CHICAGO (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Dividends were declared Friday for five of Kemper Financial Services Inc.'s closed end funds.

All dividends are payable Sept. 28 to shareholders of record on Sept. 14.

Kemper High Income Trust (NYSE Symbol:KHI) declared a monthly dividend of 10 cents per share. Its intial offering was April 21, 1988.

Kemper Intermediate Government Trust (NYSE Symbol:KGT) declared a monthly dividend of $0.0734 per share. Its initial offering was July 21, 1988.

Kemper Municipal Income Trust (NYSE Symbol:KTF) declared a monthly dividend of $0.0725 per share. Its initial offering was Oct. 20, 1988.

Kemper Multi-Market Income Trust (NYSE Symbol:KMM) declared a monthly dividend of $0.117 per share. Its initial offering was Jan. 23, 1989.

Kemper Strategic Municipal Income Trust (NYSE Symbol:KSM) declared a monthly dividend of $0.075 per share. Its initial offering was March 22, 1989.

CONTACT: Kemper Financial Services Inc., Chicago
Steve Radis, 312/917-8393 or
Martin Gawne, 312/845-1905

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GUERNSEY, Channel Islands (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Insituform Group Limited (''IGL'') 1/8NASDAQ National Market: IGLSF (shares) and IGLWF (warrants)3/8 Friday announced results for the three and six months ended June 30, 1990. In Pounds Sterling Under U.K. GAAP

The following results are given in Pounds Sterling under U.K. GAAP. The corresponding results expressed in U.S. Dollars under U.S. GAAP are shown in the accompanying tables. The translation is solely for convenience and should not be construed as a representation that the Pounds Sterling amounts actually represent or could be converted into U.S. Dollars at the rate indicated.

Total revenues for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990 were 6,120,257 pounds ($11,095,784), up 36% from 4,492,139 pounds ($6,656,868) in the second quarter of 1989. However, operating profit before income taxes, other income, and exceptional items was 41,923 pounds down from 112,302 pounds in the corresponding quarter in 1989. The decline is due to currency exchange variances as Sterling has strengthened especially against the Dollar, a weak quarter in the United Kingdom, lower margins in IGL Canada Ltd., and the consolidation of the operations of Action Products Marketing (Permaform).

In U.S. GAAP Dollar terms, operating profit was $174,684, up from $54,913 in 1989. The difference between the Dollar and Sterling results is due to translation in a period of overall weakening in other foreign currencies against the Pound as compared to second quarter 1989, a period of overall strengthening in other foreign currencies versus the Pound.

For the second quarter, the Company reported a net loss of 137,110 pounds ($150,027) against a profit of 129,615 pounds ($103,658) in the same period last year. The strong Pound Sterling coupled with high interest rates in Canada contributed to approximately half of this variance.

Revenue growth was primarily attributable to a 46% increase in net sales, representing a 44% increase in installation sales and a 74% increase in product sales. The installation sales increase reflects a full quarter's consolidation of IGL Canada, the addition of Neptune Coring Limited and

Action Products Marketing (Permaline), and higher general contracting activity in IGL Canada, offset by lower Insituform contract activity in the United Kingdom as a continued consequence of the uncertainty following the recent water and sewer privatization.

The increase in product sales reflects a more normal level of production activity in Insituform Linings in 1990 compared to an unusually weak quarter in 1989 with higher net contract values in Germany and France.

Royalty income was 760,238 pounds down 7% from 818,396 pounds in 1989. However, Insituform contract volume is up approximately 3% in local currency. The strong Pound Sterling against the U.S. Dollar, Canadian Dollar, Australian Dollar and Japanese yen led to an overall negative exchange impact of 10%. Contract volume is up in the U.S.A., Germany and France, offset by a decline in Holland and Japan. Total costs and expenses increased 39% in the first quarter reflecting the 49% increased cost of sales for the full quarter's consolidation of IGL Canada, Neptune Coring and Action Products Marketing (Permaform), plus the increase installation activity in IGL Canada and higher output in Insituform Linings, offset by the lower activity at the Company's U.K. subsidiary, Insituform Permaline.

Operating expenses increased 22% reflecting the consolidation of IGL Canada, and Neptune Coring and Action Products Marketing (Permaform), offset by lower overall expenses due to cost control measures necessitated by lower royalty revenues caused by exchange variances, lower U.K. revenues and higher interest rates in Canada. Other income decreased due to higher interest rates, higher goodwill write-offs, losses in associates in Canada and start-up costs in Germany.

Exceptional items reflect on-going close-out costs in Belgium, Germany and Spain coupled with 30,000 pounds in employee termination expenses.

The higher effective tax rate in the period ended June 30, 1990 is due to an unfavorable mix between loss making operations and profitable operations wherein the profitable operations cannot deduct the losses incurred in the unprofitable ones.

Commenting, Michael A. Chapman, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer stated, ''As stated in our first quarter release, the first half of 1990 is naturally disappointing and below our expectations, especially due to the exceptional reserve required for remedial work and to the poor performance in the U.K. At this point in time we feel that the reserve provided is adequate to complete the necessary corrective work. Also while the U.K. water and sewer companies held back on their budgeted infrastructure expenditure during the first half of the year as previously reported, we are now seeing sure signs that these funds are being released and the U.K. performance level will be improved in the second half.''

''Higher interest rates, coupled with the strong Pound Sterling which devalues our U.S. Dollar and other local currency denominated revenues, has put additional pressure on our margin expectations. We are however, managing our costs and cash to offset a lot of this impact.''

Chapman concluded, ''Lastly, the turmoil in the Middle East has had an impact on the Company. Recently we were the successful low bidder on a large multi-year contract in Kuwait and were bidding with one of our European licensees on a sizable contract in Iraq, both for 1991 and beyond. These programs, along with any future extensions, are obviously on hold. In the long term, continued high interest rates, strong Sterling and uncertainty in the Middle East will continue to have a dampening effect on our potential.

''However, in spite of the first half, our current expectation overall, barring the unforeseen, is one of recovery to achieve at the very least the same level of performance as last year.''

Insituform Group Limited, through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, owns the world-wide rights to a system of pipeline and conduit rehabilitation known as the Insituform Process. With more than 18,000 successfully completed contracts in over 40 countries, Insituform retains market lead, having renovated in excess of 4,000 km of pipeline to date.

By eliminating the need for disruptive excavation, the Insituform Process provides a cost-effective solution to the problem of deteriorating pipe systems. A flexible non-woven fiber tube (Insitutube), impregnated with a liquid resin, is inverted by water pressure through the damaged pipe and is forced firmly against the inside of the pipe. The resin is then cured, either by hot water or high frequency light, creating a durable new structural pipe within the old.

INSITUFORM GROUP LIMITED
Condensed Consolidated Profit and Loss
(Unaudited) IN POUNDS STERLING UNDER U.K. GAAP

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	5,360,019	3,673,743	8,254,080	6,068,667
Royalty	760,238	818,396	1,620,642	1,533,252
Total Revenues	6,120,257	4,492,139	9,874,722	7,601,919
Total Costs & Expenses	6,078,334	4,379,837	9,759,688	7,186,488
Operating Profit	41,923	112,302	115,034	415,431
Other Income	891	189,917	115,711	270,318
Profit Before Tax & Exceptional Items	42,814	302,219	230,745	685,749
Exceptional Items	(44,722)	4,219	(363,450)	(142,122)
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax	(1,908)	306,438	(132,705)	543,627

Taxation	113,510	117,308	255,048	302,775
Profit/(Loss) After Tax	(115,418)	189,130	(387,753)	240,852
Minority Interests	21,692	59,515	46,316	109,819
Retained Profit/(Loss) the Period	(137,110)	129,615	(434,069)	131,033
Earnings Per Share	(.01)	.01	(.04)	.01
Shares in Issue	9,917,834	9,739,916	9,907,067	9,739,916

INSITUFORM GROUP LIMITED
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS
IN U.S. DOLLARS ($) U.S. GAAP:

	THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30,		SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$ 9,674,867	$5,511,856	$14,695,075	$ 9,223,773
Royalty	1,420,917	1,145,012	2,913,955	2,227,481
Total Revenues	$11,095,784	$6,656,868	$17,609,030	$11,451,254
Total Costs & Expenses	10,921,100	6,601,955	17,311,883	10,948,166
Operating Profit	174,684	54,913	297,147	503,088
Other Income (Loss)	(6,332)	295,625	194,260	422,905
Profit Before Tax and Exceptional Items	168,352	350,538	491,407	925,993
Exceptional Items	(79,457)	16,946	(633,901)	(209,883)
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax	88,895	367,484	(142,494)	716,110
Taxation	202,631	177,455	448,373	464,236
Profit/(Loss) After Tax	(113,736)	190,029	(590,867)	251,874
Minority Interests	36,291	86,371	79,227	164,344
Retained Profit/(Loss) For Period	$(150,027)	$103,658	$(670,094)	$87,530
Earnings (Loss) per Share	$(.01)	$.01	$(.06)	$.01
Shares in Issue	10,379,040	9,994,770	10,315,029	10,037,200

T Conversion Rates Used: June 30, 1990: $1.74 to 1.00 pound
Conversion Rates Used: June 30, 1989: $1.55 to 1.00 pound

CONTACT: Insituform Group Limited, Guernsey David Lewis, (44) 481-710971 by The Equity Group Inc., New York Linda Latman, 212/836-9609 or Jeanine Morley, 212/836-9610

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#90243b0714 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire

SADDLE BROOK, N.J. (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Interchange Financial Services Corp. has declared a quarterly dividend of 17.5 cents per common

share, payable on Oct. 19, 1990 to holders of record as of Sept. 20, 1990.

According to Anthony S. Abbate, president and chief executive officer of Interchange Financial Services Corp., the October dividend represents a 16.7 percent increase over that paid for the same quarter in 1989. Interchange common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange.

Interchange Financial Services Corp. is a one-bank holding company whose principal subsidiary is Interchange State Bank, a full-service commercial bank in Saddle Brook, with ten offices throughout Bergen County. Total resources as of June 30, 1990 were $249 million.

CONTACT: Interchange Financial Services Corp., Saddle Brook
Sarah Quinoa, 201/927-7000

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#90243b0715 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - American Internationl Group Inc. (AIG) and International Lease Finance Corp. (ILFC) announced Friday that the merger of ILFC and a wholly-owned subsidiary of AIG was consummated today shortly after the approval of the merger by ILFC's shareholders.

Under the terms of the merger, each share of common stock of ILFC (other than those shares held by shareholders who previously made a Stock Election and shares held by AIG) has been converted into the right to receive $32.50 in cash, without interest.

Holders of 19,798,842 shares of ILFC common stock who made Stock Elections prior to the election deadline have had each share converted into the right to receive 50 cents in cash plus .3829 shares of common stock of AIG.

M.R. Greenberg, chairman and chief executive officer, AIG, said: ''We are obviously very pleased to consummate this merger. ILFC's highly succuessful management team and their premier aircraft leasing operation will strongly compliment our financial services division and provide a growing source of earnings to AIG.''

Leslie L. Gonda, chairman, ILFC said, ''We are extremely pleased that this merger has been consummated. AIG will be justly proud of its small, but profitable subsidiary.''

Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co., acting as Exchange Agent, is mailing to each ILFC shareholder, other than those who made a stock election, a letter of transmittal containing instructions for sending ILFC stock certificates to Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. for payment of the cash merger consideration.

A total of 7,580,976 shares of AIG common stock will be issued in the merger. AIG expects to pay approximately $486 million in cash for the ILFC common stock, and, immediately prior to the consummation of the merger, purchased all of the outstanding ILFC preferred stock from the sole holder for approximately $58 million in cash.

AIG is the leading international insurance organization and the largest underwriter of commercial and industrial insurance in the United States. Its member companies write insurance in more than 130 countries and jurisdictions, and are increasingly engaged in a range of other financial services. American International Group, Inc.'s common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange as well as the stock exchanges in London, Paris and Tokyo.

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BRIDGEPORT, CT (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - The Connecticut Energy Corp. announced Friday that it had sold back its 2.4 percent interest in the Iroquois Gas Transmission System to the Iroquois partnership.

The Iroquois Gas Transmission System is a partnership of U.S. and Canadian energy companies proposing to construct a 370-mile underground natural gas pipeline from the Canadian border to Long Island. When completed it will deliver 575.9 million cubic feet of natural gas a day to New England, New York and New Jersey.

Partners increasing their ownership percentage in the project are affiliates of Brooklyn Union Gas Co., Yankee Energy Systems Inc., J. Makowski Co., New Jersey Resources Corp. and the New York Power Authority. Subject to regulatory approval Long Island Lighting Co. (LILCO) will assume a one percent share in the project.

Connecticut Energy Corp. is a holding company primarily engaged in the retail distribution of natural gas for residential, commercial and industrial use through its principal subsidiary, The Southern Connecticut Gas Co. Southern delivers natural gas energy to more than 150,000 customers in 22 communities in Fairfield, New Haven and Middlesex counties.

CONTACT: Connecticut Energy Corp., Bridgeport
Romilda Anderson, 203/382-8245

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#90243b0724 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire

UNION, NJ (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - TRANSNET CORPORATION (NASDAQ:TRNT), a leading dealer of personal computers, peripheral and related equipment, service and supplies, Friday announced results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

For the fourth quarter, revenues increased 197 percent resulting in record quarterly revenues of $6,749,568 compared to $2,272,764 for the same period in 1989. This revenue increase is primarily attributable to the acquisition of Round Valley Computer Center Inc. in March 1990. The corporation reported a loss before provision for income taxes of $1,783,881, which includes approximately $1.5 million of non-recurring charges and charges associated with the acquisition of Round Valley, a substantial decline from the loss of $2,198,585 a year ago. The net loss of $1,783,881 or $0.37 cents per share compares to a loss of $1,356,403 or $0.33 cents per share in the same quarter of fiscal 1989.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, revenues increased 16 percent to $15,340,736 from $13,260,472 last year. The 1990 loss before provision for income taxes was $2,463,592 which includes the charges referenced above, compared to the $3,738,271 loss in 1989. The net loss of $2,463,592 or $0.51 cents per share compares to a loss of $2,276,089 or $0.47 cents per share last year.

Steven J. Wilk, president of TRANSNET CORPORATION, stated, ''Actions taken by management in the 1990 fiscal year have transformed TRANSNET into a larger, effective competitor to meet the challenges of the 1990s. The acquisition of Round Valley enhanced our product line of leading brands, expanded our customer base and improved our market penetration. Our expertise in the computer industry will continue to benefit our customers with a broad range of technical support and services.

''The strengthening demand for our products and services is evidenced by fourth quarter revenues increasing 197 percent over the prior year's fourth quarter revenues and is a result of the synergy of the acquisition. This trend continues giving us every confidence that fiscal 1991 will be an excellent year for TRANSNET,'' Wilk concluded.

CONTACT: TRANSNET CORPORATION, Union
Steven J. Wilk, 201/688-7800
by
Strategic Growth, New York
Donald C. Weinberger, 212/826-9622

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#90243b0736 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire
CHICAGO (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - AM International Inc. Friday reported that its lenders have extended the waiver on certain requirements of the company's Revolving Credit Agreement while the parties continue negotiations on an amended agreement.

The waiver runs through Sept. 28.

AM International, with world headquarters in Chicago, sells and services a wide range of design, display, reproduction and finishing products and supplies to the worldwide graphics industry. The company conducts its business through three divisions, 17 subsidiaries and a dealer organization located in over 100 countries.

AM International's annual revenues are about $900 million. AM International's common and preferred shares are traded on the New York, Pacific and Midwest Stock Exchanges under the ticker symbol ''AM.'' The company's warrants are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol ''AML.WS.''

CONTACT: AM International Inc, Chicago
Marion G. Durk, 312/558-7950

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#90243b0742 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire
CONCORD, MA (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad Inc. today announced its acquisition of a logic synthesis technology.

This acquisition is a key part of the company's strategy of providing the industry's most complete design analysis tool set for the design of Application Specific Integrated Circuits (ASICs). The logic synthesis technology was initially acquired from Aptor S.A., Grenoble, France, a subsidiary of Cap Gemini Sogeti (CGS).

''With this acquisition of technology and engineering talent, GenRad intends to bring to market a logic synthesis product that is fully integrated with System HILO, creating an environment that supports top-down design,'' said Robert E. Anderson, GenRad president and chief executive officer. ''This synthesis package will support both the GenRad Hardware Description Language (GHDL) and the VHSIC Hardware Description language (VHDL).''

''We believe that tightly integrating a logic synthesis package into System HILO Tools, with all its existing capabilities, will provide

designers with the best tool set to meet the challenge of designing increasingly complex high-density, high-speed ASICs and printed circuit boards.''

GenRad will announce its plans for the new logic synthesis software later in the year. The core synthesis product has been used for more than 100 designs of ASICs and full custom integrated circuits at MATRA (MATRA MDS, Santa Clara, Calif. and MATRA MHS, France); and CNET, Centre Nationale des Telecommunication, France. The company is now marketing its logic synthesis package to leading ASIC designers on a pre-introduction basis.

Logic synthesis provides the designer with two very important functions. The first is translation. Logic synthesis allows the designer to model and debug designs at a high level (e.g. Register Transfer Level (RTL)), then use a synthesis tool to translate the high level design into a logic level implementation (i.e. gate level).

By allowing the designer to describe a circuit at a high level, a designer can focus on the function and performance of the design and be assured that what is implemented matches the initial design specification.

The second function provided by logic synthesis is circuit optimization. This function maps a logic level (i.e. gate level) design into an ASIC or full custom library and optimizes the circuit for speed and space. Benchmarks have shown that logic synthesis can improve circuit speed by an average of 33 percent and reduce chip area by an average of 24 percent compared to circuits created by experienced ASIC designers using traditional methods.

To date, the major interest in logic synthesis has been driven by its ability to optimize circuit design.

GenRad Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems and automatic test equipment, to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing, and process quality management. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its trading symbol is GEN.

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QUINCY, MA (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - The Hibernia Savings Bank (NASDAQ:HSBK) announced today that on Aug. 29, 1990 following completion of the field segment of an FDIC examination, the board of directors met with representatives of the FDIC and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Division of Banks.

Although the FDIC has not issued a final report, the bank expects that certain corrective actions may be required by the regulators, which may include a requirement to improve the bank's regulatory capital ratio.

The Hibernia Savings Bank, founded in 1912, is a state chartered, FDIC insured stock institution which offers a wide range of deposit and loan products. The main office of the bank is located at 731 Hancock Street, Quincy. The bank also has retail banking facilities located at 101 Federal Street, Boston, 41 Commercial Street, Braintree, and at 1150 Washington Street, Weymouth.

CONTACT: The Hibernia Savings Bank, Quincy
Gerard F. Linskey, 617/479-2265

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#90243b0746 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire
OSHKOSH, WIS. (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Oshkosh Truck Corp. (NASDAQ:OTRKB) announced that a $57 million extension to an existing contract has been awarded by the U.S. Army.

This award covers an additional 284 trucks, with a 100 percent option available. Production of these trucks will begin during March, 1991 and end during June, 1991.

CONTACT: Oshkosh Truck Corp., Oshkosh
Bob Hall, 414/235-9150, ext. 2448

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#90243b0755 08/31/1990 ~Business Wire
LA BELLE, FL (AUG. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Mr. Ben Hill Griffin III, president and chairman of the board of Alico Inc. (NASDAQ:ALCO) announced Friday that negotiations are underway regarding a contract extension with Properties & Lands of Florida Inc. for the prospective sale of Alico's 11,000 acres in Lee County, Fla.

Properties & Lands of Florida's previous contract with Alico required either a closing of the contract for $110 million cash on Aug. 31, or the payment of a $500,000 non-refundable deposit for the privilege of extending the contract an additional 90 days. To date, neither of these events has occurred.

The 11,000 acres covered by the contract are located in the Fort Myers area of Lee County, Fla. The property is just south of the Southwest Florida Regional Airport and the property's western border adjoins I-75.

CONTACT: Alico Inc., La Belle
W. Bernard Lester, 813/675-2966

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STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:10 that trade in TSS Limited (NASDAQ: TSSL) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 21/32, 13/16. The company is located in Stamford, CT.

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#90243c0004 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:22 that trade in TSS Limited (NASDAQ: TSSL) has been resumed. The first bid was 1/2; down 5/32 from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90243c0005 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 29:

Pacific Southwest Corp. (PSWC)
Vital Signs Inc. (VITL)

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#90243c0006 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 30 due to an insufficient number of active market makers:

Allstar Video Inc. (ASVD)
Larry's Ice Cream - Wts. A (LARYW)

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 29:

American Confectionery Corp. - Cl. B Wts. 9/5/90 (CNDYZ); Warrants expire 9/5/90

Newfields Minerals Inc. (NWMIF); Insufficient number of regular market makers; security never quoted.

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#90243c0007 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Worthington Industries (TICKER: WTHG) reported $53.18 million (including a loss of $2.02 million from discontinued operations), or $1.33 per share, on revenues of $915.91 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $64.18 million (including a gain of $1.18 million from discontinued operations), or $1.58 per share, on revenues of $939.25 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1989.

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#90243c0008 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Peoples Bancorp (TICKER: PPLB) earned $1.26 million, or $0.48 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.48 million, or $0.51 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90243c0009 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows West

Penn Power Co.(TICKER: WSP) earned $20.10 million on revenues of $245.73 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $19.94 million on revenues of $246.60 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90243c0011 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Larry's Ice Cream (TICKER: LARY) and the chief executive officer, Roger Kumar, are seeking outside investors to take control of Larry's Ice Cream.

The decision to seek outside investors was made due to the inability of management to obtain a firm delivery date for the manufacture of Larry's Ice Cream's yogurt machines and continued operating losses incurred by Larry's Ice Cream.

Larry's Ice Cream has been served with a suit brought by the landlord of Larry's Ice Cream plant and corporate offices, seeking to have Larry's Ice Cream evicted within five days.

Larry's Ice Cream plans to defend this action.

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#90243c0012 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Lynton Group (TICKER: LYNG) acquired a majority interest in European Helicopter Limited, (EHL).

It also acquired from certain shareholders 60% of the capital stock of EHL, its 40% owned affiliate, for 93,600 shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock of Lynton Group and $1,170 in cash.

This stock is convertible into 9.36 milion shares of Lynton common stock.

Additionally, Lynton Jet Centre Inc., a newly formed wholly-owned subsidiary of Lynton Group, obtained substantially all of the assets of the Linpro Jet Centre for $16 million in cash, including the ground lease on a hanger facility located at the Morristown Municipal Airport.

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#90243c0013 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Amerifirst Bank (TICKER: AMRI) entered into an asset purchase agreement

June 29, 1990, to sell its residential mortgage loan servicing rights to loans serviced for others and servicing rights to loans in which it owns a majority interest.

On Aug. 15, Amerifirst terminated the agreement due to the fact that an acceptable commitment letter for financing had not been obtained by the purchaser.

Separately, Amerifirst reported that Al Teti submitted his resignation from Amerifirst Bank 's board of directors effective Sept. 4, 1990.

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#90243c0014 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Firstfed Michigan (TICKER: FFOM) authorized a stock repurchase program under which it may repurchase up to 750,000 shares, (approximately 7%) of its common stock from time to time in the open market.

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#90243c0015 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Hall Financial Group Inc.(TICKER: HALL) was notified by one of its principal lenders that the lender has claimed Hall Financial Group Inc. is in default on two working capital loans for $13.5 million and $7.9 million, respectively.

The default noted is not for non-payment of the working capital loans, but is alleged to be due to Hall's claimed failure to perform on a $6.5 million guaranty of another $13 million loan to an affiliated partnership secured principally by real estate.

Hall Financial Group Inc. disputes the claim of default on the property loan and the two working capital loans.

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#90243c0016 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Argos Energy Tex. Inc. changed the name of the company to First American Energy Inc. effective Aug. 21, 1990.

First American Energy Inc.'s executive office is located at 3102 Oak Lawn Ave., L.B. No. 124, Dallas, Texas 75219 and its telephone number is (214) 526-5862.

-30- 490
#90243c0017 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that on July 10, 1990, three alleged holders of General Homes Corp.'s (TICKER: GHO) outstanding publicly traded subordinated notes filed an involuntary bankruptcy petition against General Homes in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas, Case No. 90-04810-H3-11 (the Phelps case).

Plaintiffs S.N. Phelps and Company Inc., Eleanor M. Crosby and Howard E. Leppla requested that the company be adjudged to be a debtor in possession under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

On July 30, 1990, General Homes filed a motion to dismiss the petition and a hearing on the motion and the involuntary petition was set for Aug. 21, 1990.

On Aug. 13, 1990, General Homes Corp. filed a consent to the entry for an order for relief in the Phelps case without waiving any claims against the Phelps group and on condition of the entry of a relief order reserving all rights of General Homes Corp.

On Aug. 14, the bankruptcy request was granted and General Homes was adjudged a debtor and a debtor in possession.

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#90243c0019 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Kentana Development Inc.(TICKER: KDII) earned $97,541, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.50 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $54,600, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.09 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90243c0020 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows The Atlantic Group Inc.(TICKER: ATLG) lost $6.93 million, or $2.70 per share, on revenues of $32.26 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $322,000, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $37.111 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 483
#90243c0021 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Jegeroil Corp.(TICKER: JEGR) lost $376,307, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $359,489 for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $454,578, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $241,681 in fiscal 1989.

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#90243c0022 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Newmil Bancorp (TICKER: NMSB) earned $3.56 million, or $0.77 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $5.48 million, or $0.91 per share, in fiscal 1989.

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#90243c0023 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Asset Growth Partners Inc. lost $4,142, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.06 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $197,522, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $1.41 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90243c0024 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Conquest Airlines Inc.(TICKER: CAIR) lost $5 million, or $1.22 per share, on revenues of $11.29 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $4.37 million, or $2.25 per share, on revenues of $7.09 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90243c0025 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Anderson-Stokes Inc. lost $106,507, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $760,107 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $345,878, or $01.10 per share, on revenues of $1.10 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 451
#90243c0027 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Nemdaco Inc. began operating a research and development division effective Aug. 20, 1990.

Nemadaco Inc. hired three additional employees to conduct internal and external product development projects.

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#90243c0028 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that on Aug. 29, 1990, the board of directors of Sellersville Savings and Loan Association (TICKER: SLRV) voted to accept the resignation of Christopher Bell, vice president and treasurer. The resignation is effective Aug. 31, 1990.

At the same meeting, the board also appointed William Moore, formerly vice president and controller, to vice president, controller and treasurer.

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#90243c0029 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows P-I-E Nationwide entered into a sales agreement through First Coast Corp., a unit of Olympia Holding Corp., with Mack Trucks Inc.(TICKER: MACK), in which Mack agreed to supply P-I-E with all its requirements for medium and heavy-duty truck chassis and truck tractors for a 10-year period.

The agreement, which is subject to First Coast obtaining irrevocable financing commitments for the initial purchase, provides for an initial purchase of 3,400 truck chassis and tractors, including 2,500 Mack Midliners manufactured in France by Renault Vehicules Industriels (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Renault).

The agreement states that financing must be reasonably satisfactory to Mack and be obtained by Oct. 15, 1990.

The agreement obligates Olympia to require any newly purchased or acquired companies to purchase from Mack the first 6,500 truck chassis and/or truck tractors during the 10-year period.

Mack Truck Inc.'s executive office is located at 2050 Kings Road, Jacksonville, FL 32209, and its telephone number is (904) 798-2000.

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#90243c0030 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Telco Communications Inc. filed suit Aug. 9, 1990, against Premier Bank National Association and certain officers, employees and insurance underwriters in the 19th Judicial District Court, Parish of East Baton Rouge, in Louisiana.

In the suit, Telco alleges that Premier Bank N.A. and the aforementioned officers and employees were negligent in its duties and responsibilities as the transfer agent, registrar and dividend disbursing agent for Telco.

On Aug. 10, 1990, Premier Bank filed a countersuit against Telco in the same district.

Pursuant to the suit, the bank obtained a Writ of Sequestration to sequester and take into custody all right, title, interest and claim of Telco, Herbert A. Howard and Stephen Nunnery for all collateral described in all commercial security agreements, all collateral chattel mortgages, all collateral assignments and pledges of accounts receivable and notes and any other collateral in any security agreement attached to the suit.

Although Telco stated its belief that it has substantial defenses to the suit, both parties have been in negotiations and a settlement has been tentatively reached.

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#90243c0031 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Developers of Energy System Corp.(TICKER: DLES) did not re-elect the firm of Amper, Politziner & Mattia as its independent certified public accountants, but approved the appointment of Coopers & Lybrand as the firm's independent public auditors for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1988.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

Developers of Energy System Corp.'s executive office is located at 100 North Black Horse Pike, Williamstown, NJ 08094, and its telephone number is (609) 629-0100.

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#90243c0032 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 40

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The defendant in this federal securities case has moved the court to change venue from the district of Delaware to the southern district of New York. In this case, the court ordered that the defendant's motion to change venue is denied, the defendant's motion to stay discovery pending disposition of the motion to change venue is moot, and a rule 16 scheduling and planning conference is scheduled for Sept. 26, 1990, at 11:00 a.m.

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#90243c0033 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

G. SHUKOW OWNS 66,742 SHARES (8.30%) OF HAMPTONS BANCSHARES INC (TICKER: HBSI) OF SOUTHAMPTON, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On an undisclosed date, G. Shukow purchaser 24,330 shares for an undisclosed consideration.

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#90243c0035 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 378,024 SHARES (9.41%) OF PERINI CORP (TICKER: PCR) OF FRAMINGHAM, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90243c0036 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 393,085 SHARES (10.04%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Jul. 31, 1990 and Aug. 20, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 2,424 shares at a price of $8.07 to $8.23 per share and sold 60,000 shares at a price of $5.19 to $9.25 per share.

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#90243c0037 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 1,623,087 SHARES (4.91%) OF SOUTHEAST BANKING (TICKER: STB) OF MIAMI, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

FIL has no further reporting obligation under SEC regulations as it is no longer the beneficial owner of any of the number of shares outstanding.

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#90243c0038 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 1,623,087 SHARES (4.91%) OF SOUTHEAST BANKING (TICKER: STB) OF MIAMI, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

FMR has no further reporting obligation under SEC regulations as it is no longer the beneficial owner of more than 5 percent of the number of shares outstanding.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 20, 1990, FMR Corp. sold 20,000 shares at a price of $7.56 per share.

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#90243c0039 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 393,085 SHARES (10.04%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90243c0040 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Armanino Foods of Distinction Inc.(TICKER: BLUE) lost $252,696, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $3.57 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $786,044, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.23 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 496

#90243c0041 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Abraham Lincoln Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: ALFB) earned $250,000, or $0.42 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $362,000, or $0.61 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 454

#90243c0043 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows American Bionetics Inc.(TICKER: AMBI) lost $1.95 million, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $2.34 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990

This compares with a loss of $1.65 million, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $3.70 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 481
#90243c0044 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows CPB Inc. (TICKER: CPBI) earned $2.84 million, or $0.57 per share, for the period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.23 million, or $0.49 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 410
#90243c0045 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Continental Homes Holding Corp.(TICKER: CONH) earned $3.55 million, or $1.01 per share, on revenues of $134.50 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.02 million, or $0.57 per share, on revenues of $123.09 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 506
#90243c0046 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Riggs National Corp.(TICKER: RIGS) earned $3.04 million (including an extraordinary gain of $4.57 million), or $0.22 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $10.66 million, or $0.77 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 485
#90243c0047 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Cousins Properties Inc.(TICKER: COUS) earned $2.45 million, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $4.47 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.50 million, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $4.16 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90243c0048 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Flock Industries Inc.(TICKER: FLOK) lost $268,792, or $0.27 per share, on revenues of $2.07 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $137,311, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $5.36 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90243c0049 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:01 that trade in Home Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: HFSB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7 1/2. The company is located in Charleston, SC.

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#90243c0051 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Anghel Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: ANGH) lost $15,082, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.04 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $25,760, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.07 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90243c0052 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Firstcorp Inc.(TICKER: FCR) reporting it received a letter from the NASD dated Aug. 22, 1990 informing it that as of Aug. 21, 1990, its 8 3/4 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2005 had been deleted from listing on the NASDAQ system.

The debentures were deleted because there were no longer any active market makers registered with NASDAQ to trade the debentures.

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#90243c0053 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Met-Coil Systems Corp.(TICKER: METS) lost $253,000, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $59.09 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.94 million, or $0.93 per share, on revenues of $69.59 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 468

#90243c0054 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows

Pacific Agricultural Holdings Inc.(TICKER: PAGH) lost $5.98 million, or $0.33 per share on revenues of $18.26 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $305,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $26.70 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90243c0055 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bicoastal Corp.(TICKER: SIGP) lost $2 million, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $56.5 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $15.2 million, or $0.66 per share, on revenues of $82.1 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90243c0056 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Alcide Corp.(TICKER: ALCD) lost $1.73 million, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $2.71 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.39 million, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $3.03 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90243c0057 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Flair Communications Inc. has expanded its corporate operations into television promotion, effective July 23, when Flair Communications Inc.'s first commercial aired, soliciting contestants for the 1991 Models World Magazine cover contest.

Flair Communications Inc.'s next scheduled promotion is the national airing of a 30-minute program, to feature an internally developed product called "Step One".

This product is an instructional course designed to teach individuals how to break into modeling.

Flair Communications Inc. has initiated discussions with a joint venture partner in London for the purpose of creating "Models World Europe."

Flair Communications Inc. has retained a certified public accountant to bring it into compliance with SEC regulations, including certification of

the last two years' financial statements.

Flair's executive office is located at One Beekman Street, New York, NY 10038, and its telephone number is (212) 240-0300.

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#90243c0059 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows DS Bancor Inc.(TICKER: DSBC), the holding company for Derby Savings Bank, has announced completion of the sale of a shopping center, resulting in an after-tax gain of approximately $750,000.

This amount reflects $0.39 per share, and the gain will be included in the earnings statement for the quarter ending September 30, 1990.

DS Bancor Inc. stated it plans to allocate about 80% of this gain to the allowance for loan losses.

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#90243c0060 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows First Executive Corp.,(TICKER: FEXC) effective Aug. 24, 1990, replaced its accountant, Deloitte & Touche, with Price Waterhouse as the accountant to audit First Executive Corp.'s financial statements.

First Executive Corp. stated Deloitte & Touche declined to stand for re-election as First Executive's independent accountant, as of July 30, 1990.

First Executive Corp. expects that Deloitte & Touche will continue to provide certain consulting services to First Executive.

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#90243c0061 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Leak-X Corp.(TICKER: LEAK) signed a letter July 25, 1990, stating its intention to merge Gaservice Maintenance ("Gaservice") and Equipco Corp. ("Equipco"), with newly organized, wholly-owned subsidiaries of Leak-X Corp.

The sole and principal shareholders of Gaservice, in consideration of the merger, John S. Gelles and William H. Gelles Jr., directors and executive officers of the Leak-X, will receive 1.50 million common shares of Leak-X, of which 750,000 will be placed in escrow.

Leak-X Corp. has valued at $1.50 million the initial 750,000 shares to be issued in connection with the Gaservice merger.

If Leak-X Corp. achieves the earnings targets which will enable the release of the escrowed shares to John and William Gelles, the value of such shares is estimated to be around $3.00 million.

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#90243c0062 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Princeton Electronics Products Inc.(TICKER: PELT), effective Aug. 20, 1990 accepted the firm of N. Tannenbaum & Co., certified public accountants, as the principal accountant to audit Princeton Electronics Products Inc.'s financial statements.

This change was a result of the merger of N. Tannenbaum & Co. with another accounting firm and the fact that Princeton Electronics Products Inc. was in arrears to N. Tannenbaum & Co. for services rendered for previous fiscal years.

The firm of Milgrom, Galuskin, Rosner & Co., certified public accountants, was retained as Princeton's principal accountant for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

Princeton's address is P.O. Box 101, North Brunswick, NJ 08902, and its telephone number is (201) 297-4448.

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#90243c0063 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Latin Foods International Inc. changed its fiscal year end to Aug. 31, effective Aug. 28, 1990.

Latin Foods International Inc. states that the form 10-K for the year ended Aug. 31, 1990 will cover the transition period.

The firm's executive office is located at 3674 Noakes Street, Los Angeles, CA 90023, and their telephone number is (213) 780-1722.

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#90243c0064 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Sparta Surgical Corp. changed its fiscal year end from Dec. 31 to Feb. 28. The

transition period from June 30, 1990 to Aug. 31, 1990 will be covered, Sparta Surgical Corp. states, by a form 10-Q for the two months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

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#90243c0065 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.A. LITTMAN OF 10200 WEST 44TH AVE #400, WHEAT RIDGE, CO 80033, HAS FILED TO SELL 490,000 SHARES OF CITATION EQUITY CORP. THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 27, 1990.

(CITATION EQUITY CORP. TEL: 303 422-2135)

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#90243c0067 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K. OSTLER OF 5574 JOSHUA CIRCLE, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84084, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ION LASER TECHNOLOGY THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 23, 1990.

(ION LASER TECHNOLOGY TEL: 801 537-1587)

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#90243c0068 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K.L. RANSOM OF 31471 PIKE VIEW DR, CONIFER, CO 80433, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF KRUTEX ENERGY CORP.(TICKER: KTXE) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 28, 1990.

(KRUTEX ENERGY CORP. TEL: 801 627-0400)

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#90243c0069 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. MARKMAN OF 5910 N CENTRALL EXPRESSWAY, SUITE 1000, DALLAS, TX 75206, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,766 SHARES OF HOMECARE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: HMSI) THROUGH DALLAS SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 28, 1990.

(HOMECARE MANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 516 654-3392)

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#90243c0070 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.M. STONE OF 9 PARKSIDE DR, 0, DIX HILLS, NY 11746, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: ICGN) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 29, 1990.

(ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 625-0700)

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#90243c0071 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RCS LTD OF ONE LAGOON DR STE 200, REDWOOD CITY, CA 94065, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,888 SHARES OF VERIFONE INC. (TICKER: VFIC) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(VERIFONE INC. TEL: 415 591-6500)

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#90243c0072 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAY SUSAN RICHMAN OF 3625 REGAL PLACE #13, LOS ANGELES, CA 90068, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,143 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

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#90243c0073 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MATTHEW PARTYKA OF 62268 SCHOENHERR, WASHINGTON, MI 48094, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI) THROUGH FIRST MICHIGAN CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. TEL: 313 362-2390)

-30- 447
#90243c0075 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A PARALEE GORDEN OF 1551 LARIMER ST #2904, 0, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF ALANCO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: ALAN) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(ALANCO RESOURCES CORP. TEL: 602 991-8540)

-30- 429
#90243c0076 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JESUS ROMERO OF 15141 FINTRY PLACE, MIAMI LAKES, FL 33016, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF TOP SOURCE INC. (TICKER: TOPS) THROUGH NEWBRIDGE SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(TOP SOURCE INC. TEL: 719 597-8388)

-30- 404
#90243c0077 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORMAN SACHAM OF 5323 SPRING VALLEY, SUITE 110, DALLAS, TX 75240, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF ZFAX IMAGE CORP. (TICKER: ZFAX) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(ZFAX IMAGE CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 412
#90243c0078 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - IRENE C FINBERG OF 740 RIVER DR, APT 17E, ST PAUL, MN 55116, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,500 SHARES OF GV MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: GVMI) THROUGH ZIEGLER THRIFT TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(GV MEDICAL INC. TEL: 612 559-4000)

-30- 410
#90243c0079 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T P WOOLLEY OF 2751 FAIRWAY PARK, GRAND PRAIRIE, TX 75050, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 435
#90243c0080 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL R DUNLAP JR OF P O BOX 2776, GAINESVILLE, GA 30503, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF CYTRX CORP. (TICKER: CYTR) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(CYTRX CORP. TEL: 404 368-9500)

-30- 395
#90243c0081 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID FLESCHNER OF 6 PIMLICO DR, COMMACK, NY 11725, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 414
#90243c0083 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PLANT RESOURCES VENTURE FUND II OF 1920 FIFTH ST, DAVIS, CA 95616, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,123 SHARES OF CALGENE INC. (TICKER: CGNE) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(CALGENE INC. TEL: 916 753-6313)

-30- 422
#90243c0084 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PRESTON F HARDING OF 74 BATTERSON PARK RD, P O BOX 887, FARMINGTON, CT 06034, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: LCBI) THROUGH ADVEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC

ON AUG 22, 1990.

(LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. TEL: 203 282-6600)

-30- 465
#90243c0085 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN H DORN OF 4315 KEHELEY LAKE CT, MARIETTA, GA 30066, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,285 SHARES OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(FOREST OIL CORP. TEL: 814 368-7171)

-30- 403
#90243c0086 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARL D JONES OF 7173 EAST WARREN DR, DENVER, CO 80224, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF POWEREC INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PRIN) THROUGH SOUTHWEST SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(POWEREC INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 714 898-5618)

-30- 426
#90243c0087 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EVAN ROMERO OF 15141 FINTRY PLACE, MIAMI LAKES, FL 33016, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF TOP SOURCE INC. (TICKER: TOPS) THROUGH NEWBRIDGE SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(TOP SOURCE INC. TEL: 719 597-8388)

-30- 401
#90243c0088 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROGER J SIPPL OF 116 FOX HOLLOW RD, WOODSIDE, CA 94062, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF INFORMIX CORP. (TICKER: IFMX) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 29, 1990.

(INFORMIX CORP. TEL: 415 322-4100)

-30- 401
#90243c0089 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID H RING OF 4140 23RD STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94114, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 29, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 414
#90243c0091 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANCIS M HIPP 1986 CHRTBL TR OF WADE HAMPTON BLVD, PO BOX 789, GREENVILLE, SC 29602, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC) THROUGH DILLON READ & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(THE LIBERTY CORP. TEL: 803 268-8111)

-30- 449
#90243c0092 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FIRST CHICAGO INVESTMENT CORP OF THREE FIRST NATIONL PLAZA, SUITE 1330, CHICAGO, IL 60670, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF CONSOLIDATED STORES CORP. (TICKER: CNS) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 29, 1990.

(CONSOLIDATED STORES CORP. TEL: 614 224-1297)

-30- 481
#90243c0093 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MADISON DEARBORN PARTNERS OF THREE FIRST NATIONAL PLAZA, SUITE 1330, CHICAGO, IL 60670, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CONSOLIDATED STORES CORP. (TICKER: CNS) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 29, 1990.

(CONSOLIDATED STORES CORP. TEL: 614 224-1297)

-30- 478
#90243c0094 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES T MARTIN OF 3340 PEACHTREE ROAD N E, ATLANTA, GA 30326, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 30, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 420
#90243c0095 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PABLO D VALENAUELA OF 4560 MORTON ST, EMERYVILLE, CA 94608, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CHIRON CORP. (TICKER: CHIR) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(CHIRON CORP. TEL: 415 655-8734)

-30- 398
#90243c0096 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES E ACRIDGE OF 23733 NORTH SCOTTSDALE ROAD, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255 HAS FILED TO SELL 120,000 SHARES OF GIANT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GI) THROUGH HANIFEN & IMHOFF INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28 1990.

(GIANT INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 602 585-8888)

-30- 428
#90243c0097 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRENDAN J LALLY OF 8118 WEST 125TH ST, PALOS PARK, IL 60464, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,500 SHARES OF NS GROUP INC. (TICKER: NSS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 30, 1990.

(NS GROUP INC. TEL: 606 292-6807)

-30- 396
#90243c0099 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JIM C EBY OF 1057 ST MARYS LANE, SANTA BARBARA, CA 93111, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,378 SHARES OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP. (TICKER: DGSD) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 29, 1990.

(DIGITAL SOUND CORP. TEL: 805 566-2000)

-30- 414
#90243c0100 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN J MICEK III OF 430 COUPER STREET, PALO ALTO, CA 94301, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MET CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: MCAP) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(MET CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 750-4501)

-30- 406
#90243c0101 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S A BOUYGUES OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,514 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 30, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 413
#90243c0102 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - & YOUNG ERNST OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 260,000 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 29, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 411
#90243c0103 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILLIP L WORK OF 2330 CANAL ST, NEW ORLEANS, LA 70119, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,400 SHARES OF GTS CORP. (TICKER: GTSC) THROUGH FIRST GATEWAY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 29, 1990.

(GTS CORP. TEL: 504 821-4870)

-30- 383
#90243c0104 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COLLEGE WELLESLEY OF 1330 POST OAK BLVD, HOUSTON, TX 77056, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,334 SHARES OF UNION TEXAS PETROLEUM HOLDINGS I (TICKER: UTH) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(UNION TEXAS PETROLEUM HOLDINGS I TEL: 713 623-6544)

-30- 457
#90243c0105 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD H SOLOMON OF 1460 WEST MCNAB RD, FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33304, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF XTRA MEDICS INC. (TICKER: XMED) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(XTRA MEDICS INC. TEL: 213 327-1112)

-30- 417
#90243c0107 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEON C HIRSCH OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 29, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 401
#90243c0108 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LARRY H MONTGOMERY OF 1565 HILLCREST RD, 0, MOBILE, AL 36695, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM) THROUGH MORGAN KEEGAN & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 29, 1990.

(HUMANA INC. TEL: 502 580-1000)

-30- 399
#90243c0109 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, M. SANDS, CHAIRMAN OF CANANDAIGUA WINE INC. (TICKER: CDG), BOUGHT 10,000 CLASS B SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 165,380.

-30- 327
#90243c0110 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 11, 1990, J.L. FURTH, DIR. OF COUNSELLORS TANDEM SECURITIES FUND INC. (TICKER: CTF), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,900.

-30- 348
#90243c0111 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, B.G. HOLDEN, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: CBOG), (VIRGINIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,050.

-30- 349
#90243c0112 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 26, 1990, H.S. WEISS, DIR. OF NBC CAPITAL CORP. BOUGHT 590 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90243c0113 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN. 11, 1990, M. ROSEN, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANCORP.(TICKER: CBRP) BOUGHT 2,890 SHARES AT $2.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,765.

-30- 307
#90243c0115 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 13, 1990, G.J. LEATHLEY, OFFICER OF CORONA CORP. (TICKER: ICR), SOLD 29,500 CLASS A SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90243c0116 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, G.J. LEATHLEY, OFFICER OF CORONA CORP. (TICKER: ICR), SOLD 20,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90243c0117 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, G.J. LEATHLEY, OFFICER OF CORONA CORP. (TICKER: ICR), SOLD 10,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,817.

-30- 312
#90243c0118 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, N.C. PLATT, PRES. OF RANGAIRE CORP. (TICKER: RANG), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 297
#90243c0119 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 27, 1990, A.H. HINES JR, DIR. OF TEMPLETON GLOBAL INCOME FUND INC. (TICKER: GIM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 332
#90243c0120 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN R BIRK, PRES. OF ADVO-SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: ADVO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 82,000.

-30- 305
#90243c0121 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT J KAMERSCHEN, CHAIRMAN OF ADVO-SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: ADVO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 129,000.

-30- 327
#90243c0123 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, C W JOHNSON, PRES. OF BARTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BART), SOLD 400,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,032,846.

-30- 314
#90243c0124 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 31, 1990, C W JOHNSON, PRES. OF BARTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BART), BOUGHT 1,000,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,592,846.

-30- 319
#90243c0125 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 05, 1990, M RICHARD ROSE, DIR. OF BALDWIN TECHNOLOGY CO. (TICKER: BLD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 317
#90243c0126 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LAWRENCE M UBERTINI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,187.

-30- 352
#90243c0127 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, W THOMAS MORRIS, DIR. OF COMMONWEALTH BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: CBKS), BOUGHT 1,233 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 215,000.

-30- 335
#90243c0128 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JAMES W WONN, OFFICER OF C-COR ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: CCBL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 314
#90243c0129 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, VICTOR K BIEBIGHAUSER, VP OF CAREERCOM CORP. (TICKER: CCM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 321
#90243c0131 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DOUGLAS DOUGLAS, PRES. OF COLUMBIA REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS INC. (TICKER: CIV), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 344
#90243c0132 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES A FLICK JR, DIR. OF CARPENTER TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: CRS), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $48.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250.

-30- 320
#90243c0133 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, ANDREW H HINES JR, DIR. OF TEMPLETON EMERGING MKT FD INC. (TICKER: EMF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 331
#90243c0134 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, BETTY M FARNSWORTH, DIR. OF FIRST CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC. (DE) (TICKER: FCNC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 346
#90243c0135 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, BETTY M FARNSWORTH, DIR. OF FIRST CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC. (DE) (TICKER: FCNC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 348
#90243c0136 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LEWIS M FETTERMAN, DIR. OF FIRST CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC. (DE) (TICKER: FCNC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,300.

-30- 347
#90243c0137 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JOSEPH L MARCUM, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 850 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,050.

-30- 326
#90243c0139 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DONALD J BOHANA, DIR. OF GUARDIAN BANCORP (CA) (TICKER: GB), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 313
#90243c0140 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT D FRANDZEL, DIR. OF GUARDIAN BANCORP (CA) (TICKER: GB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,545.

-30- 326
#90243c0141 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, THOMAS L EASLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRANADA BIOSCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GBI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90243c0142 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, THOMAS L EASLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRANADA BIOSCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,600.

-30- 343
#90243c0143 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, KEVIN T GANNON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRANADA BIOSCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GBI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,700.

-30- 346
#90243c0144 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, GEOFFREY D MAHON, VP OF GRANADA BIOSCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GBI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90243c0145 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, GEOFFREY D MAHON, VP OF GRANADA BIOSCIENCES INC.

(TICKER: GBI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,700.

-30- 316
#90243c0147 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS INC. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90243c0148 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS INC. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90243c0149 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS INC. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90243c0150 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS INC. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,600.

-30- 306
#90243c0151 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, DONALD L COLLINS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COLLINS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GO), SOLD 34,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 722,199.

-30- 337
#90243c0152 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, BRADLEY CURREY JR, DIR. OF GENUINE PARTS CO. (TICKER: GPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90243c0153 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, BRADLEY CURREY JR, DIR. OF GENUINE PARTS CO. (TICKER: GPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $34.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 310
#90243c0155 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MARK R JOHNSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HASTINGS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: HMF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $36.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90243c0156 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MARK R JOHNSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HASTINGS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: HMF), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $36.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,486.

-30- 351
#90243c0157 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, JOHN E WATSON, CHAIRMAN OF HORIZON GOLD SHARES INC. (TICKER: HRIZ), BOUGHT 173,176 SHARES AT $0.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,011,770.

-30- 339
#90243c0158 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, JOHN E WATSON, CHAIRMAN OF HORIZON GOLD SHARES INC. (TICKER: HRIZ), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $1.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90243c0159 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, JOHN E WATSON, CHAIRMAN OF HORIZON GOLD SHARES INC. (TICKER: HRIZ), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $1.11 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90243c0160 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, JOHN E WATSON, CHAIRMAN OF HORIZON GOLD SHARES INC. (TICKER: HRIZ), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $1.24 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90243c0161 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, JOHN E WATSON, CHAIRMAN OF HORIZON GOLD SHARES INC. (TICKER: HRIZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90243c0163 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLIAM J MCFATE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,268.

-30- 336
#90243c0164 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOHN B SCHULZE, CHAIRMAN OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 3,575 SHARES AT $5.46 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,775.

-30- 332
#90243c0165 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GEORGE F BROOKS, CHAIRMAN OF MARYLAND FEDERAL

BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MFSL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,351.

-30- 341
#90243c0166 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, THOMAS L MASSIE, BEN. OWNER OF MASS MICROSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MMIC), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 460,500.

-30- 334
#90243c0167 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WAYNE D DELEO, VP OF MELAMINE CHEMICALS INC. (TICKER: MTWO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 314
#90243c0168 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, MICHAEL D SOPKO, VP OF INCO LTD. (TICKER: N), SOLD 2,372 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71.

-30- 281
#90243c0169 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 23, 1989, GRANT M INMAN, DIR. OF PAYCHEX INC. (TICKER: PAYX), BOUGHT 102 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,622.

-30- 294
#90243c0171 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 27, 1987, RAMESH L RATAN, VP OF REPLIGEN CORP. (TICKER: RGEN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 295
#90243c0172 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MICHAEL D CHAMBERLAIN, OFFICER OF SYSTEMS & COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY CORP (TICKER: SCTC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,000.

-30- 362
#90243c0173 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1989, PHILIP M MEYERS JR, DIR. OF STAR BANC CORP. (TICKER: STRZ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90243c0174 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, PHILIP M MEYERS JR, DIR. OF STAR BANC CORP. (TICKER: STRZ), SOLD 957 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,353.

-30- 318
#90243c0175 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, OFFICER OF STEEL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STTX), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,150.

-30- 331
#90243c0176 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, ANDREW H HINES JR, DIR. OF TEMPLETON GLOBAL GOVERNMENT INCOME TRUST (TICKER: TGG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 350
#90243c0177 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, WILLIAM A MERRITT JR, SHAREHOLDER OF TIE/COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TIE), SOLD 529 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90243c0179 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, WILLIAM A MERRITT JR, SHAREHOLDER OF TIE/COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TIE), SOLD 531 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90243c0180 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, WILLIAM A MERRITT JR, SHAREHOLDER OF TIE/COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TIE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,324.

-30- 342
#90243c0181 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, WILLIAM A MERRITT JR, SHAREHOLDER OF TIE/COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TIE), SOLD 6,700 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90243c0182 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, WILLIAM A MERRITT JR, SHAREHOLDER OF TIE/COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TIE), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90243c0183 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, WILLIAM A MERRITT JR, SHAREHOLDER OF TIE/COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TIE), SOLD 11,624 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90243c0184 08/31/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, ANDREW H HINES JR, DIR. OF TEMPLETON VALUE FUND INC. (TICKER: TVF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 319
#90243c0185 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JOEL A JOSLIN, DIR. OF UTAH MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: UTMD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 314
#90243c0187 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY BEAGLE LTD OWNS 116,012 SHARES (6.30%) OF BASIC PETROLEUM INTL LTD (TICKER: BPIL) OF PARIS, FRANCE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 23, 1990 and Aug. 29, 1990 Beagle LTD purchased 21,200 shares at $17.75 to $10.21.

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#90243c0188 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY HANSON P L C OWNS 33,224,000 SHARES (49.15%) OF NEWMONT MINING CORPORATION (TICKER: NEM) OF DENVER, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 30, 1990, Newmont Mining Corp. filed a registration statement on form S-3 relating to concurrent United States and United Kingdom international public offers of an aggregate of 3,600,000 shares of common stock and 6,000,000 warrants to purchase common stock by Newmont Mining Corp. and an aggregate of 8,400,000 shares of common stock by SPI. The underwriters will be granted 30-day over-allotment options to purchase up

to 540,000 additional shares of common stock and 900,000 additional warrants from Newmont Mining Corp. and up to 1,260,000 additional shares of common stock from SPI. Each warrant will entitle the holder to purchase from Newmont Mining Corp., for a period of two years, one share of common stock, subject to certain adjustment. Concurrently, with the consummation of the offerings, Newmont Mining Corp. and SPI will enter into a put and call agreement which will be secured by 6,000,000 shares pursuant to a pledge agreement to be entered into among SPI, Newmont Mining Corp. and Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co., as pledge agent. In a letter agreement dated Aug. 30, 1990, GFAC and SPI agreed to reimburse Newmont Mining Corp. for certain amounts and indemnify it against a portion of certain liabilities that may become payable or arise. On August 30, 1990, Newmont Mining Corp., Gold Fields and GFAC entered into an amendment to the agreement dated as of Nov. 1, 1983, with respect to shares owned by Gold Fields, GFAC and other affiliates, and which will become null and void if the CGF Group beneficially owns more than 37.5 percent of the common stock on the 90th days following the date of the rights agreement. The rights agreement sets forth the terms of the preferred share purchase rights declared as a dividend distribution by the company's board on Aug. 30, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Public offerings.

-30- 2207
#90243c0189 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.G. OVERALL JR OWNS 58,752 SHARES (5.44%) OF FIRST FEDERAL FINL CORP KY (TICKER: FFKY) OF ELIZABETHTOWN, KY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 26 and 27, 1990, W.G. Overall purchased 6,800 shares and 100 shares at a price of $24 and $25 per share, respectively.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 513
#90243c0190 08/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Aug. 31, 1990, Kansas Gas and Electric Co. (TICKER: KGE) announced that its board has amended Kansas Gas & Electric by-laws concerning provisions of the Kansas Control Share Acquisitions to allow any company which makes a control share acquisition of KG&E stock vote shares, eliminating the added expense of a proxy solicitation and a special meeting of shareholders. KG&E belies the KCP&LC offer is inadequate with respect to common shareholders, is legally flawed, and has been put forward in an atmosphere of pressure designed to benefit KCP&LC.

-30- 789
#90243d1830 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (AUG 30) - Andre Agassi displayed a rarely-seen side of himself here Thursday when he was warned for obscenity during his four-set victory over Petr Korda in the second round of the U.S. Open.

Agassi, known more for his flashy attire and his custom of throwing pieces of his clothing into the crowd, became involved in an altercation with chair umpire Wayne McKewen during the second set of the match, which he won 7-5, 5-7, 6-0, 6-4.

The incident occurred in the 11th game, with Korda serving at deuce after having fought off a pair of break-points.

Agassi, who had had a couple of line calls go against him earlier in the match, became livid when his forehand shot was called wide, giving Korda an advantage.

Agassi pleaded his case to chair umpire Wayne McKewen and when the call was not reversed, he turned away and uttered and obscenity, receiving a warning.

After the game, McKewen confered with Grand Slam supervisor Ken Farrar and issued a point penalty for a "second sitation" on the side change, alleging that Agassi had spit on him.

Agassi, who apologized to McKewen for the outburst, immediately sought out

Farrar in the stadium tunnel and the penalty was subsequently rescinded.

"The umpire misread the situation," Farrar said.

Agassi acknowledged having used obscenity, but denied having meant it for McKewen or having spit at him.

"I got carried away with the bad calls," Agassi said. "I was mad that the umpire didn't see that ball. I couldn't believe he missed it at such a crucial time. I yelled out in anger and he interpreted it as abusive language."

-30- 1810

#90243d1880 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (AUG 31) - Powerful women's groups have urged the government to raise Indonesia's maximum sentence for rapists to life in jail or death from the current 12-year prison term, the official Antara news agency said Friday.

The organizations, grouped under the Corps of Indonesian Women (KOWANI), said they were alarmed by the rising incidence of rape in the country, with statistics showing one rape every five hours last year, Antara said.

The groups, including the association of women law graduates (PERSAHI), had asked Justice Minister Ismail Saleh to review the current code of law on crime cases and raise the maximum sentence, Antara said.

"We propose life (in jail) or death sentence for rapists bearing in mind the trauma the victim has to face all her life," said Subekti, who represented the women's branch of organisation of retired civil servants.

"We feel the current sentence of between three months to several years (in jail) should be raised," she added. The present maximum sentence for rape is 12 years, but the sentences are usually reduced.

The death sentence is currently applied in cases of treason, drug smuggling and murder.

-30- 1338

#90243d1930 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (AUG 31) - West Germany's Steffi Graf, world number one in women's tennis, moved easily into the third round of the U.S. Open championships Thursday with a 6-1, 6-3 victory over Australian Rachel McQuillan.

The rising U.S. talent Jennifer Capriati, at 14, seven years younger than

Graf, defeated Patricia Hy, born in Cambodia and living in Canada, by 6-3, 6-1.

If both Graf and Capriati win again, they could meet in the next round. Seeded 13th at the U.S. Open, Capriati was defeated by Graf in three sets last Sunday in Mahwah, New Jersey.

Third-seeded Monica Seles, 16, of Yugoslavia easily won against Ros Fairbank-Nideffer, 6-2, 6-2. Zina Garrison advanced by winning win against Angelica Gavaldon, 6-4, 6-0.

In the men's singles, West Germany's Boris Becker, number two on the world list, won against Yannick Noah of France, 6-4, 6-2, 7-6 (7-2).

First seeded Stefan Edberg had been ousted in the first round.

The American players Brad Gilbert, Aaron Krickstein and Michael Chang all advanced into the third round.

-30- 1246

#90243d2070 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Seoul (AUG. 31) - A meeting between the heads of government of the two Korean states will take place as planned September 4-7 in Seoul, the South Korean government disclosed Friday, following talks between the chief delegates from both sides.

The first official meeting of the two premiers from Seoul and Pyongyang is intended to pave the way for a summit meeting between the heads of state.

Two rounds of talks are scheduled in Seoul next Wednesday and Thursday between North Korean Premier Yon Hyong Muk heading a seven-member government delegation and his South Korean opposite number Kang Young Hoin with six ministers.

The North Korean delegation, accompanied by 50 newsmen, will travel to Seoul by land and will stay at the capital's ''safest hotel'', Intercontinental, the South Korean government said.

Major topics of the talks will be disarmament on the Korean peninsula, possibilities for family reunions, and questions relating to a joint membership of both Korean states in the United Nations.

The first high-level talks between the two Koreas required several years of preparation by negotiators from Seoul and Pyongyang. dpa ba 310850 aug 90

-30- 1348

#90243d2120 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (AUG. 31) - Japan's current account surplus in July dropped sharply to 2.01 billion dollars from 5.49 billion dollars for the corresponding month last year, the finance ministry announced Friday.

Trade surplus also declined to 5.41 billion dollars from 7.02 dollars a year before. July exports edged up only 1.3 percent from a year before to 23.33 billion dollars while imports grew 12 percent to 17.91 billion dollars.

The long-term capital account registered a net outflow of 7.89 billion dollars compared with a deficit of 7.18 billion dollars.

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#90243d2320 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (AUG 31) - Chief Cabinet Secretary Misoji Sakamoto used the word ''hostages'' in answering questions on Iraq Friday at a cabinet committee session of the diet or parliament.

Sakamoto was quoted as condemning that Iraqi authorities were holding some 140 Japanese men at their strategic military facilities.

''The Japanese detainees are hostages. Such an act cannot be forgiven under international laws and is very irresponsible,'' Sakamoto was quoted as saying.

The Japanese Transport Ministry plans to send a special chartered airplane of Japan Air Lines (Jal) with doctors and nurses aboard to Amman Saturday to carry back 68 Japanese women and children in Baghdad, according to government sources.

Iraqi authorities have announced all foreign women and children will be released on the order of President Saddam Hussein.

-30- 1020

#90243d2360 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MUNICH, WEST GERMANY (AUG 31) - A resident of Munich was startled when he saw his locked, driverless car suddenly spring to life, sideswipe two cars plough through a metal gate and crunch into a wall.

Tiny bite-marks on the starter wires pointed to the culprit, who had fled: the marten, a tiny, weasel-like creature that has been making a comeback in West German cities and showing an immoderate -- and inexplicable -- appetite for car electric circuitry, hoses and brakes.

A recent investigation in Stuttgart showed that one car in three examined

in the city center bore scars of the marten's appetite.

Complaints of marten mayhem have been heard all over the country, and although it is vigorously hunted and trapped, the little carnivore seems to be thriving in West Germany's metropolises.

-30- 971

#90243d2450 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG 31) - At least 133 people have been killed in large-scale mudslides caused by monsoon rains in the northern Philippines since Sunday, the Red Cross said Friday in Manila, adding that the actual number of victims could be far greater.

A spokesman said several mountain villages in the northern provinces were still cut off from the outside world and the fate of their inhabitants was unknown. Due to continuing rain, rescue teams had problems reaching them, he said.

The monsoon rains which set in Sunday triggered a series of mudslides which destroyed dozens of dwellings in the provinces Nueva Ecija, Nueva Vizcaya and Benguet, where at least 48 gold miners were buried in a mining camp.

-30- 875

#90243d2500 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (AUG 31) - Typhoon Becky hit central Vietnam earlier this week causing heavy damage in four provinces, according to first reports cited by the official press Friday, which made no mention of casualties.

The Nhan Dan newspaper said high winds and rain had flooded thousands of hectares (acres) of rice paddy, breached dykes and destroyed houses, leaving several thousand people without a roof over their heads.

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#90243d2520 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG. 31) - Several Filipino, Indian and Sri-Lankan nationals, including the wife of Colombo's ambassador to Kuwait, arrived here Friday aboard an Iraqi Airways plane from Baghdad.

No Westerners were on the flight.

Hopes for the early departure of 237 foreign women and children from Iraq were dashed late Thursday, as Iraqi ambassador to the United States Mohammad al-Mashat said the operation had been postponed for administrative reasons.

The Foreign Office also announced late Thursday that Iraqi authorities had completed formalities to issue exit visas to 132 British women and children who would be flown directly to London from Baghdad aboard an Iraqi Airways plane.

But no American, Briton or other European was on board Friday's flight from Baghdad.

The Sri Lankan, Filipino and Indian nationals getting off the plane are not affected by Iraq's decision to detain foreign nationals from "hostile" countries in Iraq and Kuwait.

Iraq, after invading Kuwait August 2, has been holding mostly Westerners as "human shields" to deter a feared attack by a multinational force deployed in the Gulf in the aftermath of the invasion.

-30- 1345

#90243d2550 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ADDIS ABABA (AUG. 31) - Ethiopian government forces have killed 74 rebels of the Tigre People's Liberation Front (TPLF) in clashes in the northern province of Gondar, the official Ethiopian News Agency reported.

The TPLF controls all of Tigre province, in northern Ethiopia, and parts of Gondar. Fighting between government troops and guerrillas of a TPLF-led alliance has been reported only 160 kilometres (100 miles) from the capital, Addis Ababa.

The Ethiopian News Agency said in a dispatch Thursday that some of the rebels killed were senior commanders of the TPLF, fighting to overthrow the government of President Haile Mengistu.

On Wednesday the government admitted for the first time that rebels of the secessionist Eritrean People's Liberation Front (EPLF) were shelling the provincial capital of Asmara. They said 88 civilians had been killed in shelling in the past few months.

The EPLF, which has fought a 30-year war for independence for the Red Sea province of Eritrea, captured the Red Sea port of Massawa in February.

The EPLF this week claimed to have killed 200 government troops in recent fighting near Asmara.

-30- 1324

#90243d2590 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 31) - Singapore granted a 50 percent increase on Friday in the approved circulation here of the Hong Kong-based magazine Asiaweek

to 7,500 copies per issue.

The measure, announced by the ministry of communications and information,

came a day after parliament clamped down tighter on foreign newspapers and magazines, requiring yearly permits to distribute publications in Singapore.

Asiaweek's approved circulation was restricted to 500 copies in 1987 but the limit was raised to 5,000 a year later after the newsweekly's editor-in-chief,
Michael O'Neill, accepted Singapore's position on the foreign press.

Singapore has steadfastly maintained that the foreign press should not interfere in its domestic affairs by reporting as if it was writing for a Singaporean audience.

Asiaweek's circulation here was an estimated 10,000 copies until October 1987 when it was cited under the Newspaper and Printing Presses Act as a publication engaging in the domestic politics of Singapore.

The magazine was sanctioned for failing to publish, in full and unedited, letters from government spokesmen responding to a cover story it had carried on the arrest of 22 people allegedly involved in a clandestine Marxist network.

Asiaweek was the third international news publication to have its local circulation restricted in Singapore, after Time magazine and the Asian Wall Street Journal. The Far Eastern Economic Review followed in December 1987, all under the amended press law.

Time's circulation, which was cut from 18,000 copies in October 1986 to 2,000 copies, has since been restored.

But circulation curbs are still in effect for the Asian Wall Street Journal, down to 400 copies a day from an estimated 5,000 copies in February 1987, and the Review, from 9,000 copies in 1987 to 500 copies.

Both the Journal and the Review have also been denied permission to base a correspondent here.

-30- 2151

#90243d2670 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAALBECK, Lebanon (AUG. 31) - Overnight fighting between rival Shiite militias left at least seven dead and nine injured in this city in Syrian-controlled eastern Lebanon, spokesmen for the militias said Friday.

The fighting, which lasted four hours, pitted fighters from Hezbollah, which is backed by Iran, against those of Amal, who are armed by Syria.

It ended with the intervention of Syrian troops based in Baalbeck, the largest Shiite city in the Bekaa Valley.

A Hezbollah spokesman told AFP that five of its members, including a senior leader, Sheikh Abbas Hecchi, were "summarily executed in their homes" by Amal's men.

Amal's spokesman said two of its men, including a military commander, Ali Jaafar, was killed in fighting with Hezbollah militiamen, who went on to take over the center of Baalbek and seize two Amal offices.

Civilians left the city center to the two militias as the Syrian army, which maintains a low-profile presence in the the town proper, appeared to reinforce its military forces from positions around Baalbeck.

The fighting between the two Shiite militias has been going on for two years and has left 1,000 dead and 4,000 injured. It has reached war-like proportions in the Iqlim at-Touffah district in southern Lebanon but is only sporadic in mostly Moslem west Beirut.

It was the first time the fighting had flared in Baalbeck, observers here said.

Also Friday, Amal called a one-day general strike to mark the 12th anniversary of the disappearance in Libya of the leader of the Lebanese Shiite community, Imam Moussa Sadr.

First reports indicated the strike was widely followed in southern Lebanon, around Baalbeck and in west Beirut.

-30- 1869

#90243d2830 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 31) - The British Government said Friday it was referring Credit Lyonnais' acquisition of a 45 percent stake in Anglo-Irish leasing group Woodchester investment to the monopolies commission because the French bank was state-controlled.

Trade and Industry Minister Peter Lilley took the decision to refer the deal to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission against the advice of Sir Gordon Borrie, the director-general of Fair Trading, Mr. Lilley's office said.

"The implications of Woodchester coming under the influence or control of a bank which is itself state-controlled and the fact that the French

Government controls or influences other financial institutions operating in the UK raised issues of public interest which warranted investigation," an official statement said.

Mr. Lilley's decision was in line with a warning he gave on taking office last month that he would take into account whether a foreign company was state-controlled or privately owned before giving the green light to its acquiring a stake in a British company.

He had stressed that nationalised companies did not suffer the same competitive and financial constraints as private enterprise and could therefore benefit from unfair advantages, and pledged not to allow "nationalisation by the back door."

Britain's Conservative Government has since coming to power in 1979 carried out a policy of privatising state-owned industry.

Credit Lyonnais had acquired a 29.8 percent stake in Woodchester in December and had announced in June that it planned to boost this to 45 percent.

The Monopolies and Mergers Commission is due to deliver its report on December 28.

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#90243d2940 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (AUG. 31) - The governing committee of the International Energy Agency (IEA) met here Friday to discuss possible responses by industrialised countries to oil supply problems due to the Gulf crisis.

It was "very unlikely" that the 21 IEA member countries would opt for emergency measures to compensate for Iraqi and Kuwaiti supplies lost to the market because of a U.N. embargo on their oil following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, a source close to the Agency said.

Such measures could include releasing government-held oil stocks to offset the loss of some four million barrels of oil a day from Kuwait and Iraq.

Supplies seemed assured for September and October thanks to a decision by the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries on Wednesday to boost production and the release of stocks held by oil companies, the source close to the IEA said.

Problems were unlikely to emerge until the beginning of winter, the source added, stressing that the IEA could decide to meet again at any time if necessary.

Oil stocks in IEA member countries totalled 139.1 million tonnes as of August 1, or 31 days's supply, the bulk of it in the United States with 79.5 million tonnes, Japan with 28.2 million tonnes and West Germany with 26 million tonnes.

The IEA had in 1974 introduced a system whereby available supplies would be apportioned out to member states in the case of a seven per cent or more fall in supplies to one or several members.

Other possible measures to cope with supply disruption include coordinated use of strategic stocks, measures aimed at reducing crude oil consumption, the substitution of other fuels for oil in such installations as power plants and increased production.

OPEC President Sadek Boussena said Thursday that "the ball was in the IEA's court" after OPEC's decision to allow members to boost production to compensate for production from Iraq and Kuwait, both OPEC members.

IEA executive director Helga Steeg had welcomed the OPEC decision, and said the IEA had already asked oil companies to make abnormally large purchases on the free market and to use their stocks.

The IEA has estimated that OPEC output in August totalled 19.7 barrels per day, down from 23.2 million in July.

Saudi Arabian production totalled 5.7 million barrels a day, against an OPEC quota of 5.38 million, and that of Iran was 3.3 million barrels a day against a quota of 3.14 million.

Iraqi output fell to 0.9 million barrels against a quota of 3.14 million while Kuwait did not produce a single barrel.

Worldwide, excluding planned economies, the amount of oil on offer fell to 49.5 million barrels a day in August from 53.2 million in July.

France and the European Economic Community were attending Friday's IEA meeting as observers.

The IEA groups all members of the 24-member Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) except France, Iceland and Finland.

Paris had refused to join the organisation in 1974 because it considered it a "war machine" against OPEC but is reconsidering its position as the IEA has lost much of its political significance, informed sources in the French capital said.

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#90243d3110 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 31) - Japanese buying of foreign securities jumped from 6.3 billion dollars in June to 10.1 billion dollars in July, mainly reflecting sharply higher purchases of foreign bonds, the Finance Ministry said Friday.

The ministry said that net purchases of foreign bonds doubled from 3.8 billion dollars to 7.6 billion dollars.

Net purchases of foreign stocks rose modestly - from 1.58 billion dollars to 1.64 billion dollars - while purchases of yen-dominated foreign bonds issued in Japan fell from 895 million dollars to 840 million dollars.

Foreign buying of Japanese securities meanwhile jumped from 2.2 billion dollars in June to 6.5 billion dollars in July, the ministry said.

Net purchases of Japanese bonds leapt from 1.8 billion dollars to 2.9 billion dollars while purchases of Japanese bonds issued abroad jumped from 804 million dollars to 2.7 billion dollars.

Foreign transactions in stocks swung from net sales of 380 million dollars to purchases of 937 million dollars.

The overall deficit in the long-term capital account - combining securities transactions with direct investment, certain trade credits and loans - rose from 7.82 billion dollars in June to 7.89 billion dollars in July.

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#90243d3140 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 31) - Japan's Finance Ministry has suspended trading by four brokers including Citicorp Scrimgeour Vickers International Ltd. and Daiwa Securities Co. Ltd. for manipulating stock prices, a ministry official said.

The official said that trading by the Tokyo branches of Citicorp, Daiwa, and National Securities Co. Ltd as well as the Yokohama branch of Ace Securities Co. Ltd. would be temporarily halted for either one or two days next week.

The four securities firms had already been charged with manipulating the price of stocks in Fujita Tourist Enterprises Co. Ltd. in April although the Tokyo District Court later dropped the charges.

The price of Fujita stocks jumped sharply from 3,900 yen (26.90 dollars) to 4,400 (30.35 dollars) on April 20 before hitting a peak of 5,070 yen (34.97 dollars) on April 24. Average daily turnover jumped from around 10,000 shares to 300,000 shares a day in the same period, hitting 533,000 on

April 23.

Japanese police later arrested Mitsuhiro Kotani, the 57-year-old president of Koshin Co. Ltd., for allegedly manipulating the stocks' price in an attempt to raise cash to repay debts owed to aerial surveillance firm Kokusai Kogyo Co.

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#90243d3160 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAMPALA (AUG. 31) - Eighteen people have died of meningitis in Uganda's eastern and western districts of Mbale and Bushenyi, the New Vision newspaper reported Friday.

The paper said 13 people died in western Uganda's Busiu sub-county, seven of them were pupils of Bumasikye primary school, while 20 others were in critical condition at home.

The paper quoted the Mbale district medical officer, Dr. Joseph Kusolo saying there was no vaccine in the district at the moment, but arrangements were being made to collect it from health ministry headquarters in Entebbe.

In Bushenyi at least five people had died of the disease, the district medical officer Dr. Aggrey Kagwisagye said, adding that only 1,500 people had been vaccinated against the disease which broke out early this month.

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#90243d3250 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (AUG. 31) - Nineteen Italian women and children left Iraq Friday and were expected later in the day in Amman, the Italian foreign ministry said.

Officials said they were optimistic that the remaining 75 Italian women and children held in Iraq would be able to leave soon.

The group of 19, who had been in Kuwait at the time of the invasion and been transferred to Baghdad, crossed into Jordan by road and were expected to arrive here Saturday on a plane sent by the Italian president's office.

Of the total 94 women and children, 51 were in Iraq and 43 in Kuwait.

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#90243d3320 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Dhaka (AUG. 31) - Twenty-eight people were drowned as a boat carrying a bridal party capsized in the Arialkhan River in southern Bangladesh, police said Friday.

Four people survived the disaster which occurred near the town of Muladi Thursday as the boat was returning from a marriage ceremony in stormy weather.

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#90243d3330 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 31) - The West German government will spend 1.5 billion marks (about 1 billion dollars) by 1994 to expand biotechnology research, Research Minister Heinz Riesenhuber said Friday.

Riesenhuber, who presented the government's new promotional programme ''Biotechnology 2000'' following its approval by the West German cabinet, said it would play a key role in the fight against hunger and disease. He also urged industry to involve itself more in this field.

Aside from solidifying knowledge in the basic sciences, the programme aims to further research in the areas of environmental protection, health, nutrition and the procurement of energy and raw materials. Gene technology is to receive special emphasis.

Regarding West Germany's international standing in science, Riesenhuber said, ''We're in the running in all significant areas.'' He said increased government funding for biotechnology had moved West Germany ''into the forefront of the industrial countries''.

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#90243d3520 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (AUG. 31) - A total of 45,487 bags of Kenyan coffee were offered for sale to markets at Nairobi's weekly auction and 45,398 bags were sold for an average price of 2,317.22 Kenyan pounds (2,014.97 dollars) per ton.

Prices continued their steady advance for all qualities, with the unwashed or Buni coffees receiving special attention from buyers.

To date, 2,001,891 bags have been sold to all markets, including 799,833 bags of 198990 pool, with an overall gross average price of 2,347 Kenyan pounds (2,040.86 dollars) per ton.

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#90243d3530 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (AUG. 31) - South Africa's giant Iron and Steel Corporation (ISCOR) recorded a 14 percent growth in profits to 929 million rand (362 million dollars) in the year to June, according to figures released here.

The growth in earnings from 43.9 cents (17.1 U.S. cents) a share to 50.1

cents (19.5 U.S. cents) a share is below the 20 percent rise forecast when ISCOR was listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange last November.

But it is above some of the market forecasts that followed ISCOR's warning at the interim stage that earnings in the second half were likely to decline.

The final dividend of 12.2 cents (4.75 U.S. cents) a share brings the total for the year to the 17.6 cents (6.86 U.S. cents) a share promised in the prospectus when ISCOR was privatised last year.

ISCOR managing director Willem van Wyk said ISCOR's growth was limited by the change in world steel prices and unforeseen production losses at Vanderbijlpark, an ISCOR plant south of Johannesburg.

Turnover grew by 16.2 percent to 6.9 billion rand (2.69 billion dollars) with exports reaching 2.4 billion rand (936 million dollars) and local sales meeting forecasts at 3.434-million tons.

The breakdown in one of six blast furnaces at Vanderbijlpark cost ISCOR 250,000 tons of export sales, leaving it with under-recovery of fixed costs and unbudgeted repair bills.

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#90243d3570 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (AUG. 31) - Singapore's total trade rose by 15.8 percent in June compared to the same period last year with the trade deficit growing nearly seven-fold from a year ago, the Trade Development Board said Friday.

The statistics showed that the republic's total trade amounted to 18.6 billion dollars (10.6 billion U.S.) compared to 16.1 billion dollars (9.1 billion U.S.) in June 1989.

Imports surged by almost 21 percent compared to a year ago to 9.78 billion dollars (5.56 billon U.S.), while total exports rose 10.7 percent over the same month of the previous year to 8.82 billion dollars (5.01 billion U.S.).

The trade deficit in June of 960 million dollars (545 million U.S.) was nearly seven times the 140 million dollars (79.5 million U.S.) registered in June 1989.

It was also nearly double the May deficit of 564 million dollars (320.5 million U.S.).

The board said that the increase in imports was largely due to the purchase of an oil rig and an aircraft from the United States and crude petroleum

from the United Arab Emirates.

Other contributors to the import figure were telecommunications equipment,

parts of data processing machines, wrist watches and integrated circuits.

Domestic exports, excludeing re-exports, rose 12.9 percent over June 1989 to 6.3 billion dollars (3.6 billion U.S.), still dominated by products such as disk drives, tape drives, printers and peripheral units.

Non-oil domestic exports to the United States and European Economic Community (EEC) improved due to the rise in shipments of data-processing machines and parts.

Such exports to Malaysia were on the decline because of weaker demand for electronic valves and electrical apparatus.

Domestic exports to Japan declined by 9.3 percent following the fall in shipments of petroleum products and radios.

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#90243d3620 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (AUG. 31) - Dozens of dead fur seals are washing up on the west coast of New Zealand's South Island, baffling marine scientists.

Department of Conservation spokewoman Angela Davidson said Friday that autopsies performed on the dead mammals have been inconclusive.

Until now, conservation organisations blamed fishing ships, but Ms. Davidson said only two of 16 dead seals found last week had net injuries.

"No one will comment on what killed the others, because nobody knows," she said in an interview.

The mystery follows the unexplained deaths of numerous crested penguins on the South Island coast.

The Greymouth Evening Star, a west coast newspaper, interviewed fishermen about the seal deaths and learned that 30 years ago the same thing happened under equally mysterious circumstances.

"There would have been about 200 dead seals on a two, two-and-a-half mile long stretch of beach. They were young ones, just lying there. We couldn't even guide them back to the sea," said veteran whitebaiter Edward Black, who worked on the mouth of the Grey River in the 1950s.

"There was a yellow scum on the sea, and thousands of little fish like

sardines washed ashore."

In Wellington, the Conservation Department's marine mammal scientist Martin Cawthorn said Mr. Black described some kind of toxic algae in the food chain.

"The fish feed on the surface plankton, it accumulates in their system, and the mammals eat lethal doses," he said.

Asked whether this could be happening again he replied "possibly but not probably. The deaths would be more widespread, not just fur seals."

Mr. Cawthorn said the fur seals could be dying from natural causes.

"People seem loath to ascribe the deaths to a natural mortality rate. We have only been studying the mammals for the last couple of years. Seals have a naturally high death rate," he said.

He said bad weather, exhaustion, or a high population growth rate could be the culprits.

The fur seal population on the west coast is not known, but fishermen said their observations indicate the population is at very high levels.

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#90243d3690 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (AUG. 31) - West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl Friday ordered Bonn ministries to examine what ''material and technical assistance'' could to be raised in response to Washington's request to help it share the burden of its troop deployment in the Gulf.

Bonn government spokesman Dieter Vogel told reporters the order was given after U.S. President George Bush telephoned the chancellor late Thursday. No sums had been mentioned, nor had Bonn named any figures about West German financial assistance, Vogel added.

Bush had told Kohl he understood that the request came at a time when Bonn was already saddled with the costly process of German unification, Vogel added.

He said Bush had also asked Bonn to assist countries affected by the trade embargo against Iraq, among them Jordan whose economy is heavily dependent on trade with Iraq.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady will travel to West Germany, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Japan, South Korea to consult with Washington's allies on a plan on sharing the

burden.

The Washington Post reported that a total of 10 billion dollars will be sought. The Post said Bonn is requested to give 600 million dollars to a fund to help nations hit by the Gulf crisis.

In addition, it is asked to contribute 500 million dollars to help shoulder costs for U.S. military deployments in the Gulf.

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#90243d3700 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 31) - Iraq moved hundreds of Japanese and Western hostages from the hotel where they were being held in Baghdad to strategic locations around the country last weekend, the Japanese Foreign Ministry said Friday.

A ministry official said that the number of Japanese hostages transferred from the Mansour Melia Hotel on Saturday amounted to 196 men, women and children, revising a weekend statement that only 20 men had been moved.

Japan's Ambassador to Iraq, Kunio Katakura, was quoted as saying that those transferred were among 18 groups of both Japanese and Western hostages taken to various locations including airports and military installations.

Fifty-three Japanese women and children were allowed to return to Baghdad Wednesday following an announcement by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that women and children could leave the country. The foreign ministry says they are expected to leave "very soon" -- either Friday or Saturday.

Kiyoko Ikeda, one of the women allowed to return to Baghdad, was quoted by the Yomiuri Shimbun as saying that she had been taken to what looked like a military facility about 40 kilometres (25 miles) east of the capital.

Mrs. Ikeda, apparently the same woman who appeared with her two children in a televised meeting between the Iraqi president and about 20 hostages earlier this week, said she was accompanied by 21 people including six families.

Another Japanese woman, Yuko Takeda, was quoted as saying that she was taken to a non-military facility in a steel-producing area in northern Iraq.

In related developments, Japan's Chief Cabinet Secretary Misoji Sakamoto used the term "hostages" for the first time Friday. Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama meanwhile asked U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to "secure the safety of Japanese in Iraq," a foreign ministry official said.

Indications that the number of Japanese transferred to strategic locations

was much higher than initially reported surfaced late Thursday in a report from the Iraqi capital by Japan Broadcasting Corp. (NHK).

The NHK correspondent in Baghdad, allowed to enter the Mansour Melia Hotel, reported that there were fewer Japanese inside than previously thought.

The foreign ministry had said that 213 Japanese, all evacuated from Kuwait, were held in the hotel before the weekend transfers. Iraqi authorities, however, had prevented embassy staff from making contact with the hostages.

The Asahi Shimbun reported that the women allowed to return to Baghdad were highly critical of the Japanese government's handling of the crisis including measures announced this week by Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu.

"The Japanese government and embassy are not thinking about us," one woman was quoted as saying. "All the steps they take are too late. The embassy says it supplied provisions but that was after we had been moved separately to military installations. We want the government to think about our lives."

Mrs. Ikeda was quoted as saying that the Japanese in the hotel had access to a short-wave radio and were aware of the government's measures which include one billion dollars for the multinational forces in the Gulf.

"The government should have been more careful, taking the standpoint of the hostages into account," she was quoted as saying.

The official Iraqi News Agency strongly criticised the Japanese package Thursday as "an affront to the dignity of the Japanese people and a betrayal of the martyrs of American crimes in Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

"What interest do the Japanese people have in seeing their government finance aggression against Iraq ... which is threatening to unleash a war in a region that is Japan's principal energy supplier?" it asked.

"We were expecting a wiser position from the Japanese government," it said, adding that it had sacrificed "its future interests in the Gulf region."

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#90243d3790 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LEIPZIG (AUG. 31) - The annual Leipzig Industrial Fair opens its doors Saturday, two months after the introduction of the deutschmark in East Germany and just over a month away from German unification.

For the first time, West German firms make up the largest single group among the 6,000 participants from 52 countries displaying their wares through September 8.

Some 1,500 West German companies occupy 73,000 square metres of floor space at the fair, which under the ousted Communist leadership functioned as a prestige show for East German manufacturing.

With the East German economy in crisis due to the transition to capitalism, the number of East German companies participating declined to 1,000 this year from 1,800 in 1989.

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#90243d3810 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 31) - The Philippines, citing the U.N.-imposed embargo against Iraq, has rejected an offer from Baghdad to trade Philippine sugar for Iraqi oil, officials said here Friday.

Foreign Affairs Undersecretary Pablo Suarez said that the offer, which was made public by local newspapers, would violate the embargo imposed on Iraq after that country invaded Kuwait on August 2.

"Under that resolution, we cannot import the oil," Mr. Suarez said.

Earlier this year, the Philippines signed a trade protocol with Iraq expanding trade between the two countries including a provision for countertrade agreements. However, the Gulf crisis broke out before the agreement could be finalized.

In the first half of this year, the Philippines imported 3.8 million barrels of oil from Iraq, amounting to 9.1 percent of its oil imports.

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#90243d3830 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (AUG. 31) - The Danish Foreign Ministry was assured by Iraqi authorities Friday that women and children would be allowed to leave Iraq, but visas for the 13 Danish women and four children have not yet been provided.

"Our diplomats in Baghdad are doing everything to obtain the visas in question," a Danish Foreign Ministry spokesman said. He denied that Iraq had imposed any conditions for the release of the women and children.

A Scandinavian Airlines (SAS) plane is on standby to go to Turkey or Jordan to pick up the Danish citizens. Another 22 Danes, 11 women and 11 children, were reported to have decided to stay with their husbands and fathers.

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#90243d3880 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 31) - Philippine agricultural production declined by 3.6 percent in the first half of this year compared to the same period last year, spokesmen for the Department of Agriculture said Friday.

The Department attributed the decline to a drought that struck the country from November to April, adding that most of the decline was due to a fall in crop production.

The fall in agricultural production is expected to contribute to projected economic growth of only 3.8 percent this year compared to the average six per cent growth in the last three years.

Total agricultural production in the first half of 1990 was only 91.96 billion pesos (4.08 billion dollars) against 95.4 billion pesos (4.4 billion dollars) in the first half of 1989, the spokesmen said.

Total crop production fell by more than 12 percent to 49.005 billion pesos (2.18 billion dollars) from 55.7 billion (2.56 billion dollars).

Unmilled rice suffered a 12 percent drop, while corn production fell 9.4 percent with sugar, coffee and banana falling 9.3 percent, 7.8 percent and 1.1 percent.

In contrast, production of coconuts and pineapples, two major Philippines exports, rose 1.3 percent and two percent.

The non-crop sectors however posted sharp growth with livestock production rising by 11.6 percent, poultry by 10.9 percent and fisheries by 5.3 per cent, the Agriculture Department said.

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#90243d4010 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (AUG. 31) - Israel's Supreme Court authorised the partial publication on Friday of trancripts from the espionage and treason trial of Mordechai Vanunu, a former nuclear technician serving an 18-year jail term.

The Supreme Court had earlier forbidden the publication of transcripts of decisions taken behind closed doors in the 1988 trial.

The court has still forbidden the release of 30 pages of transcripts on the arrest of Mr. Vanunu, who worked at the Dimona nuclear power plant in the Negev desert.

In the released transcripts, the Supreme Court said the revelations made by Mr. Vanunu about Dimona and Israel's military nuclear program caused "long term losses for Israel." The court did not specify what those losses were.

The Vanunu affair broke in September 1986 when the Sunday Times published an article accompanied by photos and detailed plans of the Dimona plant where the article claimed Israel had produced dozens of nuclear bombs.

Following publication of the article, Mr. Vanunu disappeared mysteriously from London. On November 9, 1986, the Israeli government announced that Mr. Vanunu was being held in Israel on the orders of a tribunal.

Mr. Vanunu, held in complete isolation, was in the news again in December 1986 when he managed to get a message to the press while being taken to a hearing in Jerusalem. The message said he had been kidnapped September 30 in Rome and flown to Israel.

While publication of the transcripts dealing with Mr. Vanunu's arrest was vetoed, the authorised transcripts said he had acted "for financial reasons that he tried to disguise in a hopeless and calculated way" as inspired by ideological motives.

Mr. Vanunu's lawyer justified the leak by his client as stemming from his wish to inform the world of the danger that Israel's military nuclear program posed for world peace.

Last May, the Supreme Court rejected Mr. Vanunu's appeal of his 18-year sentence for espionage and treason.

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#90243d4070 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (AUG. 31) - Vietnam and Phnom Penh have little choice but to accept the final pact on Cambodia forged by the diverse interests among the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, some analysts say.

The two governments cannot escape the fact that China, the main resistance backer, agreed to the peace plan and that cash-strapped Hanoi can no longer count on the unconditional support of its top ally the Soviet Union, which also signed and has more pressing problems at home.

The peace blueprint forged in New York on Tuesday by Britain, France, China, the Soviet Union and the United States calls for setting up a Supreme National Council (SNC) grouping the three resistance parties and the Phnom Penh government installed by Vietnam in 1979.

The SNC composition should be decided by the four parties, who are expected to meet in Jakarta next week, but no one side should dominate it.

The SNC should take over the U.N. seat held by the resistance and once a comprehensive settlement is reached should delegate powers to a U.N.

transitional body that would organise free and fair elections and conduct "relevant aspects of the administration," the permanent members said.

The resistance factions have accepted the pact and Phnom Penh has welcomed it but demanded guarantees including U.N. impartiality and disarmament of the Khmer Rouge that lost power in 1979.

Vietnam said Friday that it also welcomed the pact but stressed that Cambodia's internal problems should be settled by the Cambodians themselves.

But an analyst wondered "what other choice" Hanoi and Phnom Penh had other than to accept the accord, if with guarantees, and noted that it was highly significant that the powerful, diverse members -- above all China -- were able to "come to some kind of agreement" after several meetings.

Vietnam will now no longer be justified in saying that China has rejected all proposals put forward by its fellow security council permanent members who are highly unlikely to change their peace plan.

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#90243d4100 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (AUG. 31) - Rebels have killed about 200 West Africans living in Liberia, apparently in response to a sub-regional peacekeeping force sent to Monrovia a week ago to enforce a ceasefire in the country's civil war, the Ghana News Agency (GNA) reported Friday.

Quoting witnesses in a dispatch received here, a GNA correspondent in Monrovia said rebels of Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) had also killed an unspecified number of Ghanaians living near the port.

Ghanaian teacher Kwesi Kwateny, 36, told reporters that the rebels attacked a community of 2,500 Ghanaians living in the Barnesville Estate, about six kilometers (four miles) from the Monrovia port where the peacekeeping troops landed last Friday.

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#90243d4160 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (AUG. 31) - Czechoslovakia is to severely cut its uranium exports to the Soviet Union and is aiming to sell almost half its production to the West instead next year, the Economic News daily said Friday.

Some 13 percent of this year's production is going to the West, and this will rise to about 45 percent next year, with the main customers being Germany and the United States, the newspaper, which is close to the

government, quoted the director general of the national uranium enterprise CSUP as sayng.

Most of the rest will be sent to the Soviet Union to be converted into fuel for Czechoslovakia's nuclear power plants, the newspaper said.

The CSUP is holding talks with several West German and U.S. concerns on exporting uranium to them, and is expecting to sign a first contract for 1991 soon with West German firm Gemeinschaftskraftwerk Neckar.

Czechoslovakia's uranium has been exclusively exported to the Soviet Union since the 1950's and under a plan adopted by the Prague authorities in November, only 6.5 percent of production was due to go to the West this year.

The decision to boost exports at a faster rate to countries able to pay in hard currency is linked to the country's deteriorating financial situation, observers here say.

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#90243d4180 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 31) - Two men were arrested Thursday after separate attempts to hijack Aeroflot planes over central Russia, Tass news agency reported Friday quoting interior ministry officials.

In the first incident, a drunken passenger wielding a knife and a toy pistol on an Aeroflot flight from Voronezh to Oryol, entered the crew cabin and asked to return to Voronezh.

The would-be hijacker, a 22-year-old worker who later said he wanted to go to Afghanistan, was overpowered by the crew and passengers and turned over to police.

In the other incident, aboard an Aeroflot flight between Moscow and Voronezh, a passenger stopped an air hostess as the plane was preparing to land, saying he wanted to fly to West Germany.

The 20-year-old unemployed man was arrested five minutes after the plane landed in Voronezh. No weapons were found on him.

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#90243d4200 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (AUG. 31) - This week's agricultural talks in the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations made no progress, a source close to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) said here Friday.

The participants failed to reach agreement on the format of the documents on individual countries' agricultural policies which each country is due to put forward by October 15 under a timetable adopted in July.

The timetable was aimed at enabling negotiators to complete the Uruguay Round of talks by December when it is due to be completed.

The various countries will now be putting forward documents in differing formats, a GATT source said. The documents are to serve as a basis for negotiations in substance in the agriculture sector in the final phase of the Uruguay Round.

This week's agriculture talks in Geneva also discussed how to carry out reductions of domestic support to agriculture, but there was no sign of a rapprochement of conflicting positions.

Participants including the European Economic Community want a code to regulate such a reduction while others including Australia want to see it done on the basis of reciprocal pledges.

The negotiating group on agriculture, one of the most controversial issues in the Uruguay Round, will meet again in early October, although its next meeting had initially been scheduled for September 24.

The Uruguay Round, which began in 1986, is officially due to end with a ministerial conference in Brussels in December.

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#90243d4220 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 31) - French Agriculture Minister Henri Nallet announced a state aid package Friday worth almost 1.2 billion francs (226 million dollars) for farmers who have staged violent demonstrations and blocked meat imports to protest falling prices and drought effects.

"Nobody will be able to claim that the government is ignoring the difficulties of breeders," the minister said as he detailed the 1.193 billion franc package.

But the main farmers' union, the FNSEA, reacted with scepticism to the plan and the president of the French young farmers' grouping, Philippe Mangin, said the measures were "insufficient".

According to the minister, the breeders would have total potential benefits of 3.1 billion francs (500 million dollars) at their disposal as a result of the state package.

The measures notably provide for a postponement of social welfare

contributions, costing the state a total 14 million francs (2.6 million dollars).

Breeders would also be able to buy more than a million tonnes of cheap fodder, to be subsidized by the state with some 670 million francs (127 million dollars).

The government would set aside a budget for special loans to breeders and other measures to ease their financial burden caused by the drop in lamb and beef prices.

Mr. Nallet's package meets the breeders' main demands, but some had also been calling for a ban on meat imports which the minister did not mention on Friday. They charged that French prices had become depressed as a result of Britain and East Germany dumping low-priced beef and lamb on the market here.

FNSEA president Raymond Lacombe said the measures announced Friday "did not reflect the scope of the crisis".

While the measures concerning drought relief were a step in the right direction, "the basic problem on the lamb and beef crisis remains untouched, as the organisation of markets on a national and (European Economic) Community level should be reviewed", Mr. Lacombe said.

Mr. Nallet's announcement came two days after 200,000 farmers blocked roads,
 sprayed meat consignments with diesel fuel and dumped manure outside administrative buildings in a national day of protest on Wednesday.

On Friday, the protests continued, as a group of farmers in the French Alps at Serre intercepted a British truck and destroyed 65 lamb carcasses, local police said.

Some 300 farmers in Tonnerre, south of Paris, where Mr. Nallet is mayor, set a dozen bulls free in the streets.

The French minister for European affairs, Edith Cresson, warned on Thursday that the breeders' protests violated European Economic Community principles.

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#90243d4270 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KATHMANDU (AUG. 31) - Extreme left-wing factions within the Nepal Communist Party held a protest rally here Friday which observers said attracted surprisingly high support.

The demonstration called for ''action against those supressing the people's movement of February to April'' - a reference to widespread protests which prompted constitutional reform.

The party's Mashal and Fourth Convention factions, plus their affiliated labour unions, had been considered extremists with little popular support.

Observers said Friday's rally came as an eye-opener, with several thousand people taking part despite a widespread fear that there would be violence.

Observers said the Nepali Congress and the National Democratic Party of the former Panchayat leaders will take the support as a warning in the run-up to a general election due within nine months.

A main reason for the protest was to call for abrogation of the 1950 Nepal-India treaty on which India says its relations with Nepal are based, and which most Nepalese consider unequal.

Even Prime Minister Krishna Prasad Bhattarai, known for his pro-Indian stance, spoke soon after taking assuming office in April in favour of ''revision of the treaty which is now 40 years old''.

However, soon after his return from India in June, Bhattarai said the treaty was ''working well''.

Astrologers were meanwhile working out an auspicious hour, in accordance with Hindu tradition, for presenting the newly-drafted constitution to King Birendra sometime this weekend.

There was widespread speculation that the commission drafting the constitution would remove Nepal's status as a Hindu state, prohibit all forced conversions, but still declare the cow national animal which cannot be slaughtered.

Observers say the communists have accepted retaining the monarchy by agreeing to join the interim government and send representatives to the constitutional commission formed by King Birendra.

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#90243d4400 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 31) - The British Government said Friday it was referring Credit Lyonnais' acquisition of a 45 percent stake in Anglo-Irish leasing group Woodchester investment to the monopolies commission because the French bank was state-controlled.

"The implications of Woodchester coming under the influence or control of a bank which is itself state-controlled and the fact that the French

Government controls or influences other financial institutions operating in the UK raised issues of public interest which warranted investigation," an official statement said.

News of the move sent Woodchester stock plunging 10 percent on the London stock exchange, to 135 pence from 150 at Thursday's close.

Trade and Industry Minister Peter Lilley's decision to refer the deal to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission was in line with a warning he gave on taking office last month that he would take into account whether a foreign company was state-controlled before giving the green light to its acquiring a stake in a British company.

He had stressed that nationalised companies did not suffer the same competitive and financial constraints as private enterprise and could therefore benefit from unfair advantages, and pledged not to allow "nationalisation by the back door."

Britain's Conservative Government has since coming to power in 1979 carried out a policy of privatising state-owned industry.

Credit Lyonnais had acquired a 29.8 percent stake in Woodchester in December and had announced in June that it planned to boost this to 45 percent.

Friday's decision aroused concern among French businessmen here. The move was shocking because of "the mixture of surprise, the way the decision was presented and the sector chosen," one said.

Woodchester Investments is officially an Irish company, although it has several British subsidiaries, and Credit Lyonnais' 45 percent stake would give it only between one and 1.5 percent of the British leasing market, said Jean-Claude Goubet, the French bank's director general in London.

Mr. Lilley's decision was also seen as surprising as on the same day he gave the green light for another French state-owned concern, Thomson-CSF, to acquire British group Link Miles.

The move to refer the Woodchester deal to the Commission was also against the advice of the director-general of Fair Trading, Sir Gordon Borrie, who had recommended it be given the green light.

The Monopolies and Mergers Commission is due to deliver its report on December 28.

French state-owned companies have heavily boosted their presence in Britain in recent years, with a total of eight acquisitions worth a total 1.52 billion European Currency Units (ECU's, 1.97 billion dollars) last year

alone.

Rhone-Poulence has acquired RTZ Chemicals while insurance giant GAN took over insurance concern General Portfolio, while Usinor Sacilor is in the process of taking a 20 percent stake in steel group USD.

The British authorities have also shown concern over the level of French investment in Britain's privatised water industry, and Compagnie Generale des Eaux has recently been ordered to cut its stake in one regional water concern.

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#90243d4690 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OSLO (AUG. 31) - Norway has decided to buy Mistral air defence missiles for its navy from French concern Matra under a 400 million kroner (66 million dollar) contract, the Norwegian defence ministry announced Friday.

Matra is to buy Norwegian industrial goods for 75 percent of the amount, mainly from companies Raufoss, Norwegian Defence Technology and Auto Display.

Deliveries of light air defence missiles and launchers for use on naval vessels will begin in 1994 and continue throughout 1996.

France and Norway committed themselves in an agreement in 1987 to closer cooperation in the fields of industry and defence technology.

The Mistral deal is the first major defence contract after France decided to buy substantial amounts of Norwegian gas. The Norwegian army and air force have chosen the Swedish air defence system Robot-70.

France has repeatedly expressed concern that Norway did not fulfil its obligations as agreed in the 1987 accord.

The Norwegian navy stressed that Mistral was chosen for purely professional reasons and would not comment on the political aspects of the contract. The navy ranked Mistral ahead of Robot-70 and the U.S. Stinger missile.

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#90243d4700 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
EINDHOVEN, Netherlands (AUG. 31) - Dutch electronics giant Philips is to pull out of the European "Jessi" project to develop a new generation of microchips, the evening newspaper NRC Handelsblad said Friday.

Philips spokesman Jacques Reemers refused to comment on the report, saying "I can only refer you back to our previous statements, that details of the

(group's) restructuring plan will not be made public until September."

Philips president Jan Timmer had outlined in early July a major restructuring plan aimed at turning around loss-making computer operations and said this would have "consequences" for the firm's participation in some European projects.

NRC Handelsblad said that as part of the restructuring plan Philips would be abandoning development and production of the new generation of microchips which would considerably boost computers' capacity.

Philips would be pulling out of the Joint European Submicron Silicon (Jessi) project to develop the chips, part of the wider Eureka programme.

The Dutch group along with Siemens of West Germany and Franco-Italian concern SGS-Thomson are financing 50 percent of Jessi, whose total cost over seven years is estimated at some four billion dollars.

Philips will also be pulling out of another microchip project, Megaproject, which it began with Siemens in 1984 and in which it has invested 1.6 billion guilder (almost one billion dollars), NRC Handelsblad said.

The project involved Siemens developing a four-megabit dynamic random access memory (DRAM) chip while Philips developed a one-megabit Static random access memory (SRAM) chip.

Philips had begun small-scale production of SRAM's at Eindhoven last year as planned, but the short-term need of the electronics industry for such chips proved much less than had been forecast.

A new plant built by Philips at Nimegue in the east of the country for mass production of the new generation of microchips, at an investment of 600 million guilder (352 million dollars) has only been used to produce microchips of the current generation, and plans to build a second plant in Hamburg have never been carried out.

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#90243d4910 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 31) - Thousands of protesters Friday took to the streets of the Soviet city of Ufa to demand the closing of the Khimpron chemical complex where an accident last week injured at least 110 people.

Speakers at the anti-goverment protest, who said the accident was an environmental disaster, said the government of Bashkir autonomous republic (in southern Russia) was incapable of standing up to Moscow.

"We have no confidence in the Bashkir government" which is "led around by

the nose" by central government ministers, TASS news agency quoted one demonstrator as saying.

Ufa is the capital of the Bashkir autonomous republicwouthern Russia.

Another speaker said if the ecological problems were not solved in the immediate future, "we are going to solve them ourselves, right now."

A blast last week in one part of the complex that produces synthetic alcohol started a fire that spread for five hours throughout the chemical plant in Ufa.

The Tass news agency said an "extremely dangerous toxic cloud" containing dioxin formed above the city after the accident and spillage into the Ofimka River had threatened the city's water supply.

The Khimprom chemical complex has in the past manufactured Agent Orange, the defoliant used notably by the U.S. military during the Vietnam War. Dioxin is used to produce Agent Orange.

-30- 1553

#90243d4930 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (AUG. 31) - One person has died and 183 have fallen sick in a cholera outbreak in Romania's Danube delta region since July 19, the Romanian ministry of health said here Friday.

In a communique published by the daily Romania Libera, the ministry said a large number of the cases were recorded in the region of Sulina, where water-treatment works were 100 years old and the population had to drink "untreated Danube water".

Romania's gas shortage had also contributed to the disease's outbreak, as inhabitants were unable to boil water for drinking, the ministry said.

The official news agency Rompres reported that health ministry experts from Romania and Bulgaria had met in the Bulgarian town of Tolbuhin, 100 kilometres (62 miles) from the border with Romania, to study ways to tackle the problem.

Following the meeting, Romanian tourists were required to show a medical certificate before crossing into Bulgaria, Rompres said.

Meanwhile the Romanian health ministry was asked to provide Bulgaria with a weekly report on the outbreak, the news agency said.

-30- 1292

#90243d4960 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (AUG. 31) - Sterling slumped alarmingly on world foreign exchange markets Friday, losing more than three cents against the dollar and 2.5 pfennigs against the Deutsche mark.

At 4 p.m. (1500 GMT) the pound had recovered some of its composure agaist the West German currency, quoting at 2.98 marks against 3.0086 at the close on Thursday, having dropped below 2.97 at its lowest point.

Against the dollar sterling stood at 1.89, down from 1.9210 Thursday, while against the yen it fell to 271.60 from 277.

The slide began Thursday and accelerated early Friday in Far East markets, where large sterlingyen positions were reported being dumped following a 0.75 per cent increase in Japan's discount rate to six per cent on Thursday.

European markets later took up the cudgel, with dealers citing factors ranging from weaker oil prices to rumours that sterling was to enter the European Monetary System's Exchange Rate Mechanism at 2.95 marks possibly during the coming weekend - with entry accompanied by a one per cent base rate cut.

But, "to put it crudely, traders who are long of sterling may well be starting these rumours", cautioned Giles Keating of Credit Suisse First Boston.

Analysts said that the factors which took the British currency to such heights last week all now look decidedly shaky, but that much of the fall could be attributed to profit-taking from overbought positions ahead of the weekend.

The Gulf crisis turned sterling into a "buy" because of Britain's oil self-sufficiency and because of its status as a high interest-yielding currency.

The pound's attractiveness was heightened by the dollar's fall from favour as a safe haven in turbulent times. The recession-threatened U.S. economy and the likely crippling costs of President Bush's military operation in the Gulf have weakened the mighty greenback.

But the Japanese interest rate hike is now expected to be followed by a West German rate hike, and pressure is seen building for higher world interest rates.

"Sterling is now just about the only world currency not earmarked for an interest rate hike" observed George Hodgson of Warburg Securities. "On that basis alone it looks vulnerable."

-30- 2394
#90243d5080 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 31) - Natural rubber prices drifted back this week from highs registered the previous week.

Traders said that the climb last week had been speculative, based largely on concern about a shortage of latex grades, and that lack of consumer interest at higher levels made the gains unsustainable.

The price for Ribbed Smoked Sheet No. 1 was 537.50 pounds per tonne at this week's close, against 545 the previous week.

Sterling's sharp downturn on foreign exchange markets has made rubber more expensive for consumers here, traders added, and weaker oil prices, which improved perceived prospects for certain metals in the auto industry during the week, did nothing to support tyre-grade rubber prices.

-30- 906
#90243d5110 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (AUG. 31) - Gaz de France, the French natural gas company, will exercise its option for delivery of an extra two billion cubic meters of Norwegian natural gas a year starting in the year 2000, Industry Minister Roger Fauroux announced here on Friday.

He made the announcement during an interview on the consequences of the Gulf crisis for the French economy, and particularly in connection with France's need to diversify energy sources.

But sources at Gaz de France (GdF) said the exercise of the option, taken in 1986 at the time of signature of a contract for delivery of six billion cubic meters of Norwegian North Sea natural gas a year starting in 1993, had been decided before the current Gulf crisis.

They added that it is still too early to try to determine the impact on French gas supplies of the Gulf conflict. Efforts to cut oil consumption might lead to a rise in natural gas consumption, but a general reduction of energy consumption would affect gas as well as oil products, they noted.

For the time being, GdF expects French natural gas consumption to grow by about four per cent a year, from about 30 billion cubic meters a year now to 40 billion in the year 2000.

-30- 1405
#90243d5120 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KINSHASA (AUG. 31) - Thirty-eight political opposition parties issued a joint manifesto here Friday which severely criticised the Zaire government's economic and social policies and demanded the immediate holding of a national conference on how to make the country properly democratic.

They accused President Mobutu Sese Seko of "raising corruption into a system of government" since his decision last April to open Zaire up to political pluralism -- about 70 parties have been formed -- and said they would boycott primary polls scheduled for next year.

The manifesto was presented at a press conference by Ileo Nsongo Amba, head of the Democrat and Christian Social Party. Prominent among other party chiefs present were two former Mobutu ministers, Nguza Karl-i-Bond who heads a four-party Union of Independent Republicans, and Mungul Diaka, leader of the Democratic Movement for the Republic.

The parties asked for access to radio and TV and said the present parliament should be dissolved because it was too dominated by the old ruling party. They also wanted a committee formed to draft a new constitution and a new interim government which would be neutral and representative of all Zaire's political hues.

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#90243d5150 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 31) - With only a week to go before parliament is to debate economic reform, the Soviet leadership still has no single plan for transition to a market economy, President Mikhail Gorbachev said here Friday.

Mr. Gorbachev told a pressconference that more time is needed to reach agreement on a single set of proposals, and he underlined the need to prepare the country before embarking on radical economic reform.

"One shouldn't just move over to a market economy without having solved the problem of economic stabilisation," he said.

"It is necessary to preserve economic links by way of administrative measures", he said, speaking of the state's role in preventing utter dislocation of the existing economic system before a new one is created.

A committee has been given a week to hammer out a single approach to reform from those offered by various economic commissions, Mr. Gorbachev said following two days of talks with advisors within the Presidential Council and the Council of the Federation.

-30- 1222
#90243d5320 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LILLE, France (AUG. 31) - Ferry company P and O said here Friday it was to invest more than two billion francs (377 million dollars) in building four new super-ferries for cross-Channel services to Dover in England.

The new ferries, which will be able to carry 120 trucks and 200 passengers, will be built at the Schichau Seebeckwerft shipyard at Bremerhaven in West Germany and will be delivered from 1991.

They will be 120 metres (396 feet) long and have a top speed of 21 knots.

P and O, which carried 11 million passengers and 1.8 million vehicles last year, has ordered the new ferries to cope with a 10 per cent increase in freight traffice this year on routes out of Dover, the statement said.

-30- 901
#90243d5370 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (AUG. 31) - Iraq is waiting for authorization from Britain and France for Iraqi civilian planes to land in London and Paris for the evacuation of foreign women and children detained here, an Iraqi official said Friday.

Naji al-Hadithi, director of the information ministry, said Iraq had also demanded that the aircraft should be refuelled in the two Western capitals and should fly back to Baghdad with Iraqis trapped there.

(In London, the British Foreign Office dismissed Baghdad's claim that any Iraqi nationals were stranded in Britain as "absolutely absurd" and "ludicrous."

("If Iraq wants to bring Iraqis back that's perfectly fine," a spokesman said. "They are absolutely free to leave."

(Asked earlier if refuelling Iraqi airliners here that were transporting British hostages back to Britain would technically amount to a breach of sanctions, another spokesman said London would regard the operation as "humanitarian" but gave no further details.

("Our primary concern is to ensure that our nationals who are able to leave Baghdad be allowed to do so as soon as possible," he said, adding that the situation in Baghdad remained "very confused.")

-30- 1386
#90243d5450 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KATHMANDU (AUG. 31) - More than 10,000 people joined a protest march in

Kathmandu Friday, shouting anti-government and anti-India slogans, as several hundred Nepalese riot police stood by.

Nepalese Communist Party activists, workers, peasants and college students took part in the march round the city, shouting slogans like "hang the facist Panchayat leaders" and "let sovereignty be transferred to the public."

Helmeted riot police were seen lining the route of the march leading to the Royal Palace and other public buildings, but they did not interfere in the demonstration.

The protestors also demanded the cancellation of a joint declaration made in New Delhi on June 10 by the prime ministers of Nepal and India normalizing ties between the two countries. Protestors said the accord violated Nepal's economic and political interests.

Later the demonstrators held a public meeting in the centre of Kathmandu under the chairmanship of Nara Bahadur Karmacharya, one of the leaders of the Nepalese Communist Party.

Together with other communist leaders, he strongly criticised Nepal's interim government for its failure to control runaway inflation and for agreeing to the joint declaration.

The interim government took power in April amid massive protests after three decades of rule under the partyless Panchayat system.

The speakers warned of serious consequences if sovereignty was not transferred from the king to the people.

The protest march came just 48 hours before the planned submission of a new draft constitution to King Birenda by the chairman of the Constitution Recommendation Commission, Biswo Nath Upadhyay.

Political observers here believe the demonstration was meant to serve as a warning to the panel and the king that the new constitution must fulfill the aspirations of the people.

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#90243d5610 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (AUG. 31) - In a challenge to Thailand's ruling coalition government, former defense minister Chaowalit Yongchaiyuth announced here Friday that he would form a new political party.

Mr. Chaowalit, who despite holding no official post is considered one of the most powerful figures in the country, delivered a scathing attack on

the elected government, which has been shaken by allegations of corruption.

He pledged that his new party would set an example during what he said was a time of uncertainty following a major cabinet reshuffle by Premier Chatichai Choonhavan to clean up the image of his government in the face of allegations of corruption.

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#90243d5730 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (AUG. 31) - Iraq has mounted an ambitious self-sufficiency project aimed at cultivating every inch of arable land in a bid to defeat the international embargo.

Officials here said Friday that because of Iraq's wealth in water resources, land and infrastructure it could double agricultural production over the coming winter and even become an exporter of foodstuffs.

Agriculture Minister Abdel Wahab Mahmoud, quoted by Ath-Thawra newspaper, said the project would focus on basics such as corn, maize and barley. Ministry experts have been sent to the countryside to supervise the projects.

Iraq could cultivate as much as 48 million dunums (around 1.2 billion square metres or 1.4 billion square yards) of land, compared to the 13 million dunums being cultivated at present, according to official statistics.

It was not clear if the statistics included Kuwait, which Iraq has now claimed as its 19th province.

The agriculture ministry issued directives two weeks ago for investors and farmers to make full use of the land they have been allocated or risk having it taken away.

In early August, the government decided to increase the price it pays for agricultural products by up to 50 per cent, as part of its campaign to encourage growth in production.

Agricultural experts said Iraq was not suffering from a severe shortage of fruit or vegetables, but corn was scarce. It could achieve self-sufficiency if extra land is cultivated, with new harvests taking between five and six months.

Large tracts of land in the north could be watered by rainfall alone, according to Iraqi officials.

Iraq has over the last decade built several dams and other irrigation

works, reportedly enough to water all the fertile land of the north, centre and south of the country.

Iraqi authorities will from Saturday ration basic foodstuffs because of the international trade embargo after the August 2 military intervention in Kuwait.

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#90243d5760 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) - Romanian Prime Minister Petre Roman, whose government has been repeatedly criticized by Washington for its treatment of opposition demonstrators, said he wants to visit the U.S. capital to defend himself.

"I want to go because I want to be questioned by the congressmen and senators," he said in an interview published Friday in The New York Times.

"I want to be really there to answer every question and every criticism directly in the pure American style," he said.

The administration of President George Bush sharply criticized Mr. Roman's government for incidents in June when pro-government miners, called into the capital by authorities during anti-government demonstrations, beat up scores of protesters.

It was not immediately clear if the Bush adminstration was prepared to back a visit by the Romanian leader.

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#90243d5800 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (AUG. 31) - Egypt lowered its oil prices by five dollars a barrel on Friday, following OPEC's decision to boost production, the Egypt Petroleum Office announced.

Here are the new Egyptian prices:

- Gulf Crude 25.80 dollars - Suez Crude 25.50 dollars - Balaim 24.50 dollars - Ras Badran 23.50 dollars - Ras Ghareb 23.20 dollars

Egypt is not a member of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries and sets its prices depending on market developments, although it follows OPEC directives.

OPEC oil ministers agreed Wednesday in Vienna on a temporary increase in output. Since the agreement, market prices have fallen from highs of more than 30 barrels per barrel.

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#90243d5910 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 31) - Two British detectives were returning to Kenya Monday to make further inquiries into the murder of a British woman, Julie Ward, who was killed in a safari park two years, Scotland Yard said here Friday.

A spokesman said Detective Superintendent Graham Searle and Detective Inspector David Shipperlee of Scotland Yard's international and organized crime branch would remain in Kenya "for as long as it takes" to complete their inquiries.

The two detectives spent a month in Kenya in March after an inquiry ruled that Miss Ward, 28, had been murdered and not eaten by wild animals as originally stated by Kenyan police.

The two also prepared a report on the killing for Kenya's attorney general, Matthew Muli, but it was apparently insufficient for Kenyan police to take action on.

Miss Ward's charred remains were found in September 1988 at the Masai Mara game reserve near Nairobi a week after she disappeared. Two game park rangers were detained for questioning but later released without charge.

The report prepared by the detectives recommends prosecution of two Kenyan game park rangers for Miss Ward's kidnap and murder but there were no further details available on its contents.

Miss Ward's mother, Janet, welcomed the news that British detectives were returning to Kenya for further investigations.

"Naturally we are very pleased they are going back. We hope something concrete comes of it," Mrs. Ward said.

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#90243d6010 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (AUG. 31) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,558.00 (1,561.00) 1,530.50 (1,524.50)
Lead 462.00 (465.00) 464.50 (467.50)
Zinc 1,642.50 (1,652.50) 1,532.50 (1,535.50)
Tin 5,862.50 (5,900.00) 5,972.50 (6,015.00)
Aluminium 1,862.00 (1,836.50) 1,876.50 (1,852.50)

Nickel 11,375.00 (11,100.00) 11,175.00 (10,837.00)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90243d6200 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROME (AUG. 31) - A total of 173 foreign women and children who had been trapped in Iraq left Baghdad Friday en route for the Jordanian capital Amman and London, the Italian Foreign Ministry said Friday.

A spokesman for the ministry said that most of those who left Iraq were British.

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#90243d6340 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AUG. 31) - The commander of U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia warned here Friday that the Iraqi general command, whom he described as "thugs," would pay a heavy price if they attacked.

"If the Iraqis are dumb enough to attack, they are going to pay a terrible price," General Norman Schwartzkopf said, addressing his first press conference since the start of the U.S. military deployment in the kingdom on August 7.

"Each and every day, we are less threatened because we are stronger," said the general, adding that he was "extremely confident in the weapons we have."

Gen. Schwartzkopf reasserted that the United States would not strike first. "There won't be a war if they don't attack," he said, referring to the Iraqi army's general command as "thugs."

The Saudi and U.S. military commands were separate, but they "work very closely ... and meet several times a day," the general said. "Each of us knows exactly what to do in the event an (Iraqi) attack occurs."

Asked about the thousands of foreigners detained in IrN7 as "humtU shields " he said, "As the military commander in this theatre, what I have to do is to plan the military campaign ... and not concern myself with the hostages."

Gen. Schwartzkopf defended the U.S. military intervention and its deployment of an estimated 60,000 troops in Saudi Arabia, condemning the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2 as "not only a mugging but a rape."

He said threats of chemical warfare from Iraq were "our principal concern",

but added that chemical weapons were less effective in desert conditions and that U.S. troops had the best equipment in the world to protect themselves.

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#90243d6630 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (AUG. 31) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev said here Friday that the U.S. military presence in Saudi Arabia was in accordance with the U.N. charter, and that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was mainly responsible for the Gulf crisis.

Fielding questions at a press conference, he said that the growing U.S. military presence in the Gulf was "loaded with unpredictable consequences" and warned all parties involved to be "responsible", so as not to trigger war.

But Mr. Gorbachev was quick to explain that, far from expressing opposition with Washington, the Soviet attitude was one of collaboration with the United States.

He spoke of the permanent contact between Washington and Moscow, and said the U.S. intervention in the Gulf was "in accordance with the charter of the United Nations."

Mr. Gorbachev appeared to be moderating earlier Soviet criticism of the U.S. military buildup in the Gulf, notably from the Soviet deputy foreign minister, Alexander Belonogov, and the military chief of the Warsaw Pact, Soviet General Vladimir Lobov.

In an interview this week with the Soviet news agency Tass, Gen. Lobov said the U.S. deployment in the Gulf threatened the strategic balance on the southern flank of the Soviet Union.

Mr. Belonogov told the foreign relations committee of the Soviet parliament Thursday that the U.S. presence in the Gulf was "explosive".

Moscow could not support the U.S. presence because it was "explosive" in the short term, and in the long term Moscow could not be sure that the U.S. would withdraw from Saudi Arabia "after the crisis".

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#90243d6730 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (AUG. 31) - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze arrived in Harbin, China, late Friday for talks with his Chinese counterpart, Qian Qichen, on the Gulf crisis and Cambodia, New China News Agency said.

In a report monitored here, NCNA said Mr. Shevardnadze and his delegation were greeted at the airport of the northeastern Chinese city by Mr. Qian and other top officials.

The two ministers are expected to hold two hours of talks Saturday.

The Soviet Embassy in Beijing said last week that Mr. Shevardnadze's "working visit" would be devoted to "urgent" international questions.

Bilateral relations -- especially trade increases and the demilitarisation of the Sino-Soviet frontier -- were also be given priority at the talks.

Until 30 years ago, Harbin boasted the largest expatriate Russian community. Its population comprised mainly white Russians who fled the 1917 Russian revolution.

The Saturday talks were to focus on the peace initiative in Cambodia following the acceptance of the U.N. Security Council's peace proposal by the Chinese-backed opposition in Cambodia, and indications from the pro-Vietnamese Phnom Penh regime that it would also accept it.

The United States, the Soviet Union, China, France and Britain make up the five permanent members of the council.

Mr. Shevardnadze planned to take a boat trip Saturday afternoon on the Soungari, a tributary of the river Amur which marks the Sino-Soviet border and to visit Stalin Park before flying to North Korea on Sunday morning.

Saturday's meeting is being presented by both sides as an example of the new dialogue between Moscow and Beijing created by the normalisation of bilateral relations in May 1989.

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#90243d6920 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (AUG 31) - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tarek Aziz said here Friday that foreigners would be allowed to leave Iraq if U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar could guarantee that Iraq would not be attacked.

Speaking at a press conference following two meetings with Mr. Perez de Cuellar, he said he had asked the U.N. Secretary-General "to seek guarantees" that countries with troops in the Gulf would not start a war with Iraq.

"If such guarantees are obtained, the situation of foreign nationals in Iraq will be resolved," he said.

Mr. Aziz repeated previous assurances from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein

that women and children being held in Iraq were free to leave.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar spoke at the press conference of a "step forward" in the "humanitarian aspects" of the hostage situation.

He added that the release of all foreigners held in Iraq would help to ease tensions, but would not eleborate.

Sources close to the U.N. and Iraqi delegations said the two sides would hold a last session of talks Saturday, after which they were expected to hold separate press conferences.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar and Mr. Aziz met initially for two hours behind closed doors, then were joined by their delegations for another two-and-a-half hours of discussions.

The U.N. chief, emerging from the first session, said the talks were "very useful," while Mr. Aziz said there was much to discuss in the meetings, which took place at an administrative building in the grounds of the royal palace.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar has stressed his mission was not to negotiate but to discuss ways of securing an Iraqi commitment to withdraw from Kuwait and release foreigners, as stipulated in U.N. Security Council resolutions.

The talks in the Jordanian capital have been billed as a last chance to avert war in the Gulf. But Baghdad has shown no sign of easing its hold on Kuwait, which it annexed August 8 and then proclaimed as its 19th province.

The Moslem Brothers, an Islamic fundamentalist group whose members make up a quarter of Jordan's 80-seat parliament, organized a rally Friday in central Amman to condemn "American-Zionist aggression against the Arab world."

Thousands of people took part in the demonstration, during which speakers called for Moslems to "confront the growing menace."

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#90243d7200 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) - The skyrocketing cost and the long-term goal of the U.S. military buildup in the Gulf will come under intense scrutiny when Congress reconvenes next week after a month-long recess.

The shock waves from the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait have pushed aside what until then had been the Number One issue on the nation's agenda: efforts to curb the nation's astronomical budget deficit.

Before the Iraqi invasion, U.S. administration officials estimated the deficit for fiscal 1991 -- which starts October 1 -- would reach 168.8 billion dollars, 68.8 billion dollars more than their previous estimate six months earlier.

These figures will no doubt have to be revised upwards as a result of the massive U.S. military commitment to defend Saudi Arabia and roll back the invasion of Kuwait.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said in a television interview that the cost of Operation Desert Shield in support of the Saudi kingdom would cost around one billion dollars a month once all the forces -- estimated at 200,000 -- had been deployed to Saudi Arabia and the Gulf region.

Representative William Gray, a leading Democrat in the House of Representatives, said the cost of deployment could range between 10 billion dollars and 15 billion dollars for this year. He called on Congress and the president to reassess the need for such costly strategic weapons programs such as the B-2 bomber.

Despite bipartisan support in Congress for President George Bush's military moves, there is clear unease among many lawmakers not only about the cost of the operation but also about its long-term objectives and possible high U.S. casualties if war breaks out.

Appearing on the ABC television network Friday, Senator Larry Pressler noted that Western Europe and Japan were much more dependent on Middle East oil than the United States. He warned that unless these countries contributed substantial financial aid or more ground troops to the multinational effort,

there would be a rapid erosion of public support for the U.S. commitment in this country.

-30- 2301

#90243d7290 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (AUG. 31) - China has called for energy savings and a switch to energy sources other than oil in response to rising oil prices caused by the Gulf crisis, the China Daily said Friday.

The China National Chemicals Import and Export Corporation (Sinochem), which monopolises the country's oil imports and exports, has advocated a nationwide campaign on energy saving, the English-language newspaper said.

Crude oil prices jumped to more than 30 dollars a barrel on the international market last week, compared to around 21 dollars before Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

"Oil prices may ride high over a period of time," the daily quoted Jiang Yunlong, deputy general manager of Sinochem International Oil Co Ltd, as saying.

China might reduce imports if prices remained at the present level, Mr. Jiang said.

China produced 137 million tonnes of oil in 1989, according to the official statistics of the Chinese Ministry of Energy Resources.

In the first seven months of this year China imported 2.3 million tonnes of crude oil and in the same period exported 12.3 million tonnes of crude oil and 2.7 million tonnes of petroleum products.

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#90243d7320 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine (AUG. 31) - A superpower summit between President George Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to discuss the Gulf crisis "would be useful," a senior U.S. official said Friday.

He added that he could not exclude such a summit in the near future.

"We want to make sure that the U.N. strategy stays in place ... that we have ultimate coordination," the official told Agence France-Presse at the summer White House here.

Although the official said he was not predicting such a superpower summit, when asked if he excluded the possibility, he said, "No."

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#90243d7460 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT 1) - A Japanese aircraft left here Saturday for Amman to pick up 68 Japanese women and children who were expected to be flown to the Jordanian capital by a special Iraqi plane from Baghdad, airport officials said.

The Japan Air Lines (JAL) DC-10 jet with 239 seats will arrive at Amman via New Delhi at 1315 GMT, the officials said.

There are 84 women and children in Baghdad and 68 of them, excluding 12 related to Japanese embassy staff, are expected to be given permission to leave the country, according to foreign ministry officials.

If the Iraqi plane lands at Amman airport before the JAL DC-10 arrives, it is scheduled to leave Amman at 1535 GMT.

The foreign ministry officials said that the JAL plane may carry some other foreign nationals who were released by Iraq.

The 68 women and children all flew to Baghdad from Kuwait together with the rest of their families on Wednesday and Thursday last week.

After their arrival, they had immediately been detained in a Baghdad hotel by Iraqi authorities and were later taken to military and other facilities.

Only women and children were taken back to the Baghdad hotel Thursday, while a total 143 men were still detained at unknown strategic locations, according to the foreign ministry officials.

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#90243d7530 08/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT 1) - Two envoys from Tunisian President Zine el-Abidine Ben Ali arrived Friday in Baghdad with a message for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, the INA news agency reported, monitored here.

Tunisian Justice Minister Chedli Naffati was accompanied by the general secretary of the opposition Socialist Democrat Movement, the agency said.

Mr. Naffati was later to go on to Saudi Arabia with a message from Mr. Ben Ali for King Fahd, INA added.

The Tunisian government on Wednesday announced that representatives of the legal opposition would be among envoys despatched to several countries, including Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Yemen, in a bid to promote a peaceful settlement of the Gulf crisis.

Tunisia has condemned Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, but abstained from a vote at the subsequent Arab summit in Cairo which ended with a majority of the attending countries supporting the deployment of Arab, other Islamic, and Western military forces to the Gulf.

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#90243e0002 08/31/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (AUG. 31 EFE - Three bank accounts belonging to a deceased leader of Colombia's notorious Medellin cocaine trafficking cartel have been frozen in Spanish banks, according to a report Friday in the daily El Pais.

El Pais said the accounts, which belonged to suspected Medellin cartel number two Gustavo Gaviria, were discovered in banks in Madrid and the northern town of Gijon and contained dlrs 1.1 million.

Gaviria, cousin of fugitive Medellin kingpin Pablo Escobar, was killed earlier this month in a shootout with Colombian anti-narcotics security forces.

Police found documents at Gaviria's home which showed he carried out financial transactions under the assumed name of Jesus Rivero Garcia.

Colombian authorities sent the information to Spanish police, who discovered that the drug trafficker's assumed name figured on a list of suspected drug kingpins who had opened bank accounts in Spain.

The Medellin cartel is Colombia's largest and richest narcotics gang.

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#90243e0011 08/31/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BRUSSELS (AUG 31) EFE - The European Community Friday decided to provide some dlrs 1.7 million to help bring home tens of thousands of Egyptian refugees trapped in Jordan after fleeing Iraq and Kuwait, EC officials said.

The EC aid will provide ferry transport for some 6,000 Egyptians and 1,000 vehicles daily from the Jordanian port of Aqaba to Egypt for ten days.

Since the mass exodus of Egyptians from Iraq and Kuwait began this month, the EC has financed bus journeys from the Iraqi border with Jordan to Amman and Aqaba from where the refugees were then flown to Cairo.

Total EC humanitarian aid to Persian Gulf nations bearing the brunt of the August 6 United Nations trade embargo on Iraq and Kuwait has reached about dlrs 7.3 million.

Individual members of the 12-nation group have also sent financial aid.

The EC decision for more aid comes a day after British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher slammed European nations for not pulling their weight militarily to help the United States pressure Iraq into withdrawing its troops from Kuwait.

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#90243e0016 08/31/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LISBON (AUG 31) EFE - A third round of peace talks between the Angolan government and U.S.-backed UNITA rebels ended in failure Friday, Portuguese officials said.

Portuguese Foreign Affairs Secretary of State Jose Manuel Durao Barroso said the process to ending Angola's 15-year civil war was "long and

complex" and that it was natural to have both advances and set backs.

But negotiators agreed to convene for a fourth round of meetings in September at an unspecified location.

Barroso said the refusal of the ruling leftist Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) to recognize the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola was the main stumbling block to a ceasefire accord.

The closure of the meetings, which opened Monday 10 km outside Lisbon, coincided with the release of a statement by UNITA accusing government troops of launching air attacks on rebel headquarters in southern Angola.

UNITA charged that four Soviet-made Mig-23 fighter planes staged the attack near Mucusso, on Angola's border with Namibia.

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#90243e0018 08/31/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

FREETOWN (AUG 31) EFE - Liberia's National Patriotic Front (NPF) rebels kidpnapped the Guinean ambassador to Monrovia and 40 others Friday, diplomatic officials in neighboring Sierra Leone reported.

NPF leader Charles Taylor had threatened on a number of occasions to take the ambassador captive in retaliation for the Guinean government supposedly supplying arms to Liberian President Samuel Doe.

Taylor has waged an eight-month civil war to oust Doe.

The kidnapping took place hours after Guinean Foreign Minister Jean Traore denied that his government supplied weapons to the beleaguered president.

A West African peace-keeping force was Friday to begin evacuating some 7,000 African foreigners stranded in the country.

Sources in the Economic Community of West African States' (ECOWAS) peace-keeping force said they would continue to supervise a cease-fire and help install a provisional government charged with calling free elections within the next 12 months.

In protest at the intervention, Taylor ordered the detention of thousands of nationals from ECOWAS countries living in Liberia.

But Taylor said Friday that the 2,000 citizens of Gambia, Ghana, Nigeria and Sierra Leone were not hostages but would serve to prevent an attack on the NPF. He also denied earlier reports that he would begin executing them.

The ECOWAS' 3,000-strong force, helped by rebels led by Taylor's rival

Prince Johnson, have launched an offensive on NPF forces and consolidated positions in the center of Monrovia.

Taylor has called the ECOWAS troops an "occupation force" which wants to prevent his victory over Doe.

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#90243e0020 08/31/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (AUG 31) EFE - Former Argentine president Raul Alfonsin dubbed the current administration "callous and inhuman" in anticipation of its new economic austerity plan, Buenos Aires press reported Friday.

Alfonsin, leader of the opposition Radical Civic Union and president from 1983 to 1989, charged that "perhaps there had never been" an government in Argentina "so callous and inhuman" as the present one.

President Carlos Menem's government is to announce later Friday an economic austerity plan which includes massive lay-offs of state workers to reduce the size of the public sector to what it was 25 years ago and other measures aimed at slashing the budget deficit.

Alfonsin criticized Menem's inability to apply social policies to soften the effects of his economic changes which make those who have less money pay more.

The former president said Thursday, "I have travelled the country and seen schools not working, no relief or nourishment and desperation everywhere provoked by this economic plan."

Menem has ignored warnings of uprisings and riots similar to those sparked more than a year ago due to shortages and soaring inflation.

Argentina's accumulated inflation rate for the first seven months of the year rose to 802 percent, but the government aims to bring monthly inflation rates down to below 10 percent.

The government will also be seeking to refinance its public debt of some dlrs 15 billion, as well as reduce subsidies on manufactured exports.

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#90243e0027 08/31/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (AUG 31) EFE - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev pressed for urgent economic reform Friday and said his perestroika restructuring policy was facing some of its most serious challenges to date.

Speaking at a press conference in Moscow, Gorbachev stressed that the

economic situation in the Soviet Union was "really serious" and that a speedy transformation to a market economy was essential.

He said that his perestroika reforms had entered in a "phase of serious trials."

Gorbachev has met over the last two days with his Presidential Council and the Council of the Federation, made up of representatives of the 15 Soviet republics, to discuss economic reform.

The Soviet president said he was satisfied with the discussions, but that the debates at times were "dramatic."

Some 50 differing plans regarding the economy changeover were being studied, Gorbachev said.

Moscow has said a reform plan will be put before the parliaments of each of the republics within the next week.

The Soviet president also cautioned world leaders to act with diplomacy to find a peaceful resolution to the Gulf crisis.

"We have to do everything possible to avoid any political mistakes and chances for provocation," he said.

Gorbachev urged "intense consultations" with Arab allies to end tensions resulting from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait August 2 and the subsequent build-up of U.S.-led forces in the region.

He also said his Presidential Council was discussing increasing oil exports.

"We need convertible currency and that means we will work on increasing our oil exports," he said.

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#90243e0028 08/31/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PARIS (AUG 31) EFE - Albania's monarch-in-waiting, King Leka, has claimed security forces executed and buried hundreds of people in a crackdown on anti-government protests in the Albanian capital last month, French press reported Friday.

King Leka told journalists at a press conference late Thursday that some 380 anti-government protesters were rounded up during a July 2 demonstration in Tirana and taken outside the capital to be executed and their bodies thrown into mass graves.

Following the July protests, hundreds of Albanians sought refuge in foreign missions in Tirana and were later allowed to leave the country by the Communist government of President Ramiz Alia.

The Albanian monarch also claimed the Alia government infiltrated members of the Albania's secret police force into the groups of Albanians granted asylum by several European countries.

Former Communist leader Enver Hoxha ousted Albania's last monarch, King Zog, in 1946 and declared the country a republic. But King Leka has not renounced his claims to the throne.

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#90243f1360 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	92	63	....
Anchorage sh	63	39	....
Asheville pc	80	63	.11
Atlanta pc	88	68	.88
Baltimore sy	83	62	....
Billings sy	87	56	....
Birmingham sy	95	74	....
Bismarck sy	93	49	....
Boston sy	77	66	....
Brownsville pc	96	79	....
Buffalo sy	78	56	....
Burlington Vt. sy	76	54	....
Charleston S.C. pc	87	79	....
Charlotte pc	90	71	.09
Chicago sy	79	59	....
Cincinnati sy	85	61	....
Cleveland sy	78	56	....
Columbus Ohio sy	83	58	....
Dallas sy	104	77	....
Denver pc	98	59	....
Des Moines sy	84	60	....
Detroit sy	79	64	....
Duluth pc	84	59	....
El Paso sy	96	63	....
Evansville sy	89	61	....
Fargo pc	93	57	....
Hartford sy	83	60	....
Houston pc	100	75	....
Indianapolis sy	85	64	....
Jackson Miss. f	100	75	....

Jacksonville ts	97	76	....
Kansas City sy	95	66	....
Las Vegas sy	104	81	....
Little Rock sy	96	71	....
Los Angeles hz	84	67	....
Louisville sy	86	65	....
Memphis sy	95	72	.15
Miami Beach pc	88	80	....
Milwaukee pc	78	61	....
Minneapolis pc	86	58	....
Nashville sy	90	67	.33
New Orleans sy	96	77	....
New York sy	84	65	....
Oklahoma City sy	102	76	....
Omaha sy	93	65	....
Orlando pc	94	76	....
Philadelphia sy	85	65	.25
Phoenix pc	106	85	....
Pittsburgh sy	80	55	....
Portland Me. pc	80	58	....
Portland Ore. pc	78	60	.06
Providence sy	83	63	....
Richmond sy	84	66	....
St. Louis sy	88	70	....
Salt Lake City f	89	77	....
San Antonio pc	98	77	....
San Diego sy	77	65	....
San Francisco f	73	60	....
San Juan pc	90	75	....
Seattle sh	69	59	.05
Spokane pc	72	53	....
Tampa pc	93	77	....
Washington sy	85	66	....
Wichita sy	104	65	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90243f2474 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Friday 387.23 up 5.78.

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#90243f2478 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
Index Futures

(AUG. 31) UPI - Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs
Open High Low Settle Prev.
Sep 244.85 248.50 243.60 247.70 244.50
Dec 248.50 250.90 248.50 250.00 247.05
Mar 253.25 250.30
Previous day volume: 41 contracts.
Open interest: 1,302 off 13
CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs
Open High Low Settle Prev.
Sep 319.00 322.65 316.60 322.55 318.55
Dec 322.70 326.50 320.35 326.35 322.30
Mar 326.10 329.50 323.50 329.50 325.40
Jun 334.00 326.50 333.60 329.50
Today's estimated volume: 48,617 contracts.
Open interest: 145,498 off 424
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs
Open High Low Settle Prev.
Sep 175.00 177.15 173.85 177.00 174.85
Dec 176.90 179.15 175.90 178.95 176.65
Mar 179.00 179.60 179.00 180.85 178.45
Open interest: 5,948 up 177
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs
Open High Low Settle Prev.
Sep 527.00 533.00 525.00 532.75 526.85
Oct 527.80 535.00 527.80 535.00 529.15
Estimated volume 2,920 contracts.
Open interest: 7,200 up 211

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#90243h0045 08/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
HONG KONG (AUG. 31) XINHUA - HONG KONG TELEPHONE, A HONG KONG TELECOMMUNICATION COMPANY, WILL EXPAND ITS INTERNATIONAL DIRECT DIALLING (IDD) SERVICE TO 179 MORE CITIES ON THE CHINESE MAINLAND AS OF SEPTEMBER 1.

THIS BRINGS THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CHINESE CITIES REACHED BY HONG KONG'S IDD SERVICE TO 443.

THE 179 NEWLY REACHED IDD SERVICE CITIES ARE IN 23 PROVINCES AND AUTONOMOUS REGIONS.

LEE G. LAM, INTERNATIONAL MARKETING MANAGER OF THE COMPANY'S INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE SERVICES, SAID THAT CHINA'S INCREASING BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER COUNTRIES MAKES THE MAINLAND-HONG KONG COMMUNICATION LINK MORE VITAL.

"WE EXPECT TO SEE MANY MORE NEW IDD DESTINATIONS IN CHINA IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS," HE ADDED.

TO PROVIDE MORE CONVENIENCE TO CUSTOMERS, LAM SAID, HONG KONG TELEPHONE WILL SOON PUBLISH A COMPREHENSIVE CALLING GUIDE LISTING ALL AREA CODES OF IDD DESTINATIONS ON THE CHINESE MAINLAND WITH OTHER USEFUL CALLING INFORMATION.

MEANWHILE, HONG KONG'S DIRECT DIALLING TO ALBANIA WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE STARTING TOMORROW.

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#90243h0048 08/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NEW DELHI (AUG. 31) XINHUA - THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT HAS APPROVED A PROPOSAL TO CONSTRUCT A 1,330 KILOMETER-LONG PETROLEUM PRODUCT PIPELINE IN THE NORTHWEST REGION OF THE COUNTRY.

THE PETROLEUM MINISTER, M.S. GURUPADASWAMY, SAID ON THURSDAY THE PROPOSED PIPELINE FROM KANDLA (IN GUJARAT) TO BHATINDA (IN PUNJAB) WILL ENABLE UNINTERRUPTED SUPPLY OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS TO THE NORTHWEST REGION OF THE COUNTRY.

THE PROJECT AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF 9,175.5 MILLION RUPEES (540 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), INCLUDING A FOREIGN EXCHANGE COMPONENT OF 2,045.5 MILLION RUPEES (120 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), WILL BE COMPLETED BY MAY 1993, THE MINISTER SAID.

THIS PROJECT WOULD BENEFIT THE WHOLE NORTHWEST AREA OF THE COUNTRY. THE MINISTER ALSO DISCLOSED SEVERAL OTHER IMPORTANT PROJECTS, INCLUDING THE

DEVELOPMENT OF MUKTA FIELD IN THE WESTERN OFFSHORE, THE KAKINADA-TATIPIKA (IN ANDHRA PRADESH) GAS PIPELINE, AND THE PROJECT OF DISTRIBUTION OF NATURAL GAS TO GREATER BOMBAY.

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#90243h0058 08/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

COLOMBO (AUG. 31) XINHUA - A LARGE REFUGEE CAMP NOW BEING SET UP BY THE GOVERNMENT AT VAVUNIYA IN NORTHERN PROVINCE OF SRI LANKA WILL TAKE IN REFUGEES FROM TODAY, ACCORDING TO THE EVENING NEWSPAPER "DAILY OBSERVER" TODAY.

A TOTAL OF 5,000 REFUGEES WILL BE TAKEN IN TO THIS CAMP INITIALLY, ESSENTIAL SERVICE COMMISSIONER GENERAL C.RATWATTE SAID.

THIS CAMP AT VAVUNIYA IS BEING SET UP AFTER THE FAILURE TO PUT UP A SIMILAR CAMP AT MANNAR IN THE SAME PROVINCE. IT WILL ACCEPT PEOPLE FROM ANYWHERE IN THE ISLAND.

HE NOTED THAT AS BY AUGUST 27 A TOTAL OF 934,501 PEOPLE WERE BEING LOOKED AFTER IN WELFARE CAMPS WITHIN 10 WEEKS OF CLASHES BETWEEN THE LIBERATION TIGERS OF TAMIL EELAM (LTTE) AND THE GOVERNMENT TROOPS SINCE THE MOST POWERFUL TAMIL MILITANT GROUP IN THE COUNTRY BEGAN A FRESH OFFENSIVE AGAINST GOVERNMENT TROOPS IN JUNE THIS YEAR.

THESE PEOPLE WERE HOUSED IN 694 CAMPS MAINLY IN THE NORTH, EAST, ANURADHAPURA (NORTHERN CENTRAL PROVINCE), POLONNARUWA AND COLOMBO.

IT WAS LEARNT THAT THE GOVERNMENT SPENT A TOTAL OF 30 MILLION RUPEES (0.75 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) A DAY TO LOOK AFTER INMATES AND PROVIDE THEIR NEEDS AT THESE CENTERS.

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#90243h0060 08/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WELLINGTON (AUG. 31) XINHUA - SKILLED PEOPLE AND BUSINESSMEN WITH CAPITAL TO INVEST ARE TO BE THE TWO BROAD ENCOURAGED CATEGORIES OF IMMIGRANTS TO NEW ZEALAND, ACCORDING TO THE OPPOSITION NATIONAL PARTY'S IMMIGRATION POLICY.

TOUGH RULES TO ENSURE BUSINESS IMMIGRANTS WITH MONEY WILL BE PUT INTO PLACE IF THE NATIONAL PARTY WINS THE OCTOBER ELECTION, SAID OPPOSITION'S IMMIGRATION SPOKESMAN BILL BIRCH IN LAUNCHING THE PARTY'S ELECTION CAMPAIGN POLICY TODAY.

A NATIONAL GOVERNMENT WOULD MOVE AWAY FROM THE OCCUPATIONAL PRIORITY LIST AND INSTEAD ENCOURAGE PEOPLE WITH SKILLS FROM ALL ROUND THE WORLD TO COME TO NEW ZEALAND, BIRCH SAID.

CAPITAL WOULD HAVE TO BE INVESTED FOR A MINIMUM PERIOD BEFORE THE IMMIGRANT WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR PERMANENT RESIDENCE. AND UNDER THE BUSINESS IMMIGRANT CATEGORY, "SUBSTANTIAL CAPITAL" WOULD HAVE TO BE INVESTED IN SECURE INVESTMENTS IN GOVERNMENT, LOCAL BODY STOCK OR WITHIN THE BANKING SYSTEM OF NEW ZEALAND, THE POLICY SAYS.

TOUGHER CRITERIA AND REQUIREMENTS FOR CAPITAL INVESTMENT SIMILAR TO THOSE USED IN AUSTRALIA AND CANADA WILL BE INTRODUCED. MONITORING PROGRAMS WILL ALSO BE INTRODUCED TO ENSURE MIGRANTS HONOR COMMITMENTS MADE AT THE TIME OF THEIR APPLICATIONS. AT THE MOMENT, BUSINESS IMMIGRANTS DO NOT HAVE TO TRANSFER FUNDS TO NEW ZEALAND BEFORE VISAS ARE ISSUED AND THERE IS LITTLE MONITORING, THE POLICY NOTES.

"WE WANT TO MAKE SURE NEW ZEALAND GETS THE BENEFITS FROM THOSE IMMIGRANTS. TOUGHER REGULATIONS WILL MAKE SURE THAT BOTH SIDES HONOR THE CONTRACTS MADE," BIRCH SAID.

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#90243h0064 08/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ACCRA (AUG. 31) XINHUA - GHANA'S EXPORT OF TIMBER PRO- DUCTS FOR THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR REACHED 183,831 CUBIC METERS AMOUNTING TO 58 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

ACCORDING TO A PRESS RELEASE ISSUED RECENTLY BY THE GHANA INVESTIGATION CONMITTEE, GHANA PLANS TO EXPORT 370,000 CUBIC METERS OF WOOD PRODUCTS BY THE END OF THIS YEAR, WHICH WILL YIELD 116.9 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR THE COUNTRY.

THE COUNTRY EXPORTED 536,213 CUBIC METERS OF TIMBER PRODUCTS IN 1988, EARNING 98.8 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

THE PRESS RELEASE SAID THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GOVERNMENT POLICY OF PROMOTING THE EXPORT OF MORE PROCESSED WOOD INSTEAD OF RAW MATERIALS, MORE PROCESSED WOOD HAS BEEN EXPORTED IN RECENT YEARS.

IN 1988 AND 1989, ROUND LOGS REACHED 63.2 PERCENT AND 53.4 PERCENT RESPECTIVELY OF THE EXPORT VOLUME, WHILE IT REPRESENTS 38.5 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL EXPORT VOLUME FOR THE FIRST HALF OF 1990.

WHILE OTHER NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES ARE DELIBERATELY UNDER- SELLING THEIR PRODUCTS DESPITE EVIDENCE OF OVER-CUTTING THEIR FORESTS IN A BID TO FORCE PRICES DOWN FOR THE INDUSTRIAL IMPORTERS IN THE NORTH, THE PRESS RELEASE SAID, GHANA BOLDLY TAKES STEPS TO OBTAIN MORE REALISTIC RETURNS.

THE COUNTRY'S TIMBER EXPORT TRADE ONCE RECORDED ITS HIGHEST RETURNS IN 1973 OF 138.2 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR THE EXPORT OF 1.2 MILLION CUBIC

METERS OF TIMBER PRODUCTS IN THAT YEAR.

THE PROJECTED EXPORT VOLUME OF 1990 REPRESENTS ONLY 30 PERCENT OF THE 1973 FIGURE, SIGNIFYING A TREND FOR TROPICAL HARDWOODS TO REACH REALISTIC LEVELS FOLLOWING YEARS OF BEING UNDER-VALUED.

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#90243h0069 08/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ACCRA (AUG. 31) XINHUA - PRINCE JOHNSON, LEADER OF A BREAKAWAY FACTION FROM CHARLES TAYLOR'S NATIONAL PATRIOTIC FRONT OF LIBERIA (NPFL), SUGGESTED THAT THE INTERIM GOVERNMENT IN THE WAR-TORN WEST AFRICAN COUNTRY SHOULD BE MADE UP OF CHIEFS AND ELDERS, THE "GHANAIAN TIMES" REPORTED TODAY.

JOHNSON TOLD REPORTERS IN HIS WELL-FORTIFIED BASE, SOME KI- LOMETRES FROM THE MONROVIA FREE PORT, THAT THE PROPOSED COUNCIL OF CHIEFS AND ELDERS WOULD PROMOTE NATIONAL UNITY BEFORE ELEC- TIONS, SAID THE PAPER QUOTING REPORTS FROM THE LIBERIAN CAPITAL MONROVIA.

HE SAID THAT NO CANDIDATE OF THE EXISTING POLITICAL PARTIES SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO STAND ELECTIONS BECAUSE "THEY ARE CRIMINALS."

"ALL FORMER POLITICAL PARTIES SHOULD BE PROSCRIBED AND NEW ONES FORMED NOT ON ETHNIC LINES, BUT ON PRE-DETERMINED PRIN- CIPLES," HE ADDED.

JOHNSON SAID HE FOUNDED HIS "REVOLUTION" ON THE PRINCIPLES OF EQUALITY AND JUSTICE AND WOULD NOT MIND TAKING CHARGE OF THE ARMY IN THE COUNTRY.

ACCORDING TO ANOTHER REPORT FROM MONROVIA, GENERAL ARNOLD QUAINOO, COMMANDER OF WEST AFRICAN PEACE-KEEPING FORCE IN LIBERIA, SAID THAT HIS FORCES ARE PREPARING TO EVACUATE THOU- SANDS OF WEST AFRICAN NATIONALS BY SEA FROM WAR-TORN LIBERIA.

HE SAID THAT MORE THAN 7,000 PEOPLE, MOSTLY FROM GHANA, NIGERIA AND GUINEA HAVE SO FAR REGISTERED FOR EVACUATION.

QUAINOO SAID THE GHANAIAN VESSEL "TANO RIVER" WHICH CARRIED MORE THAN HALF OF THE 4,000-STRONG PEACE-KEEPING FORCE TO MON- ROVIA LAST FRIDAY, WILL PROBABLY SAIL FOR GHANA TOAY WITH MORE THAN 6,000 GHANAIANS AND NIGERIANS ON BOARD.

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#90243j0001 08/31/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

(AUG 31) JOURNAL GRAPHICS - Summarizing the previous day's television programs transcribed by Journal Graphics, Inc. Full transcripts available by fax or mail.

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Nightline (ABC) August 30, 1990 (Transcript #2419)

The Hostages in Kuwait and Iraq: Scott Gerard, whose sister-in- law is being held as a hostage, and Mideast escapees Stephanie McGehee and Michael Saba give a history of the foreigners trapped in Kuwait and Iraq. They believe Saddam Hussein is trying to use them for propaganda purposes, but is sending mixed messages in promising to release women and children one day and adding conditions the next.

Larry King Live (CNN) August 30, 1990 (Transcript #119)

Alexander Haig / Najeeb Halaby: Former Secretary of State General Alexander Haig, who has ''seen it from all sides, military and diplomatic '' gives an analysis of the Middle East crisis. He feels that we must build a ''credible force posture'' for our diplomatic efforts to have a positive outcome, and agrees with President Bush's decisions so far. Najeeb Halaby shares his unique point of view asthe son of an Arab father and father-in- law of King Hussein. He feels it is most important for the United States to act through the U.N., and points out how our failures have historically been the result of unilateral action.

Crossfire (CNN) August 30, 1990 (Transcript #129)

Policing the Planet: International political consultant Christopher Whalen and syndicated columnist Doug Bandow discuss America's role as ''policeman of the world'' and whether or not the U.S. should ask other countries to help finance American military operations in the Persian Gulf.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) August 30, 1990 (Transcript #159)

The Mideast Crisis Price?: There can be no single pricetag put on any war effort. Henry Graff of Columbia University, Cheryl Trench from the Petroleum Industry Research Foundation, and Frank Gaffney of the Center for Security Policy discuss the ways in which the U.S. and many Americans are currently paying for the Persian Gulf crisis.

Primetime Live (ABC) August 30, 1990 (Transcript #156)

''Darkness Visible'' (author William Styron talks about his nearly fatal bout with major depression); ''Key Witness'' (the key witness in the notorious Menendez murder case in Beverly Hills tells her story); Michael Deaver, President Reagan's media adviser, critiques Saddam Hussein's use

of television; a conversation with Iraqi Ambassador Mohamed al-Mashat about his experience with American television; and excerpts from the Ellis Island Foundation's collection of oral history tapes recounting American immigrants' recollections.

Oprah Winfrey Show August 30, 1990 (Transcript #1034)

Handgun Murders: With experts predicting a record of 23,000 people killed before yearend, guests debate whether handguns

should be banned. Guests include Roy Innis (Congress of Racial Equality), Wayne LaPierre (National Rifle Association), Michael Beard (National Coalition to Stop Gun Violence), and Dewey Stokes (National Fraternal Order of Police).

Good Morning America (ABC) August 30, 1990 (Transcript #1099)

Saddam Hussein's options; water for the troops; 1990 Census results; Pump Up the Volume review; Stephen King interview; anti- Arab sentiment in the U.S.; TV kids on vacation; genetic engineering study; vacation houseplant care; Labor Day cookout.

Moneyline (CNN) August 30, 1990 (Transcript #173)

Bush asks allied countries for financial support in the Mideast; interest grows in where the U.S. stands on alternative fuels; ''biomass'' as a fuel alternative; Japanese real estate market may be cooling; threat of recession grows, regulators say more S&Ls may be among casualties; while many economists say the Fed will be likely to ease interest rates in coming weeks, David Jones, Chief Economist with Aubrey G. Lanston, says the Fed was just forced by the Bank of Japan to wait; Dan Dorfman reports on ''strong reports'' that a New York investor has taken a sizable stake in Tonka, one of the country's largest toy companies.

48 Hours (CBS) August 30, 1990 (Transcript #124)

In the Grand Canyon: CBS correspondents explore four ways to get into and out of the Grand Canyon: on a white-water raft trip, on a mule team, on foot, and (for those who've been injured) in a Medivac helicopter.

Donahue August 30, 1990 (Transcript #3023)

What To Consider Before You Have An Affair (Repeat-#2678): Dr. Annette Lawson discusses her book Adultery: An Analysis of Love & Betrayal.

Geraldo August 30, 1990 (Transcript #771)

Divorce Wars (Repeat-#670): New York Post columnist Cindy Adams joins a

panel composed of a Daily News columnist and the attorneys for ex-spouses of celebrities for a discussion of Donald Trump's and other divorces.

Sally Jessy Raphael August 30, 1990 (Transcript #519)

Deceived By the Man I Love (Repeat-#391): Women whose husbands cheated on them share their stories and feelings. One woman's ex secretly had wedding plans with two women, for the same day, while they were still married.

Weekend Line-Up: (To be summarized in Monday's Weekend Report) Donahue: Men Who Batter (R) Sally Jessy Raphael: Jon Voight Geraldo: When the Hired Help Tells All (R) Oprah Winfrey: When Money Comes Between Friends and Relatives 20/20 Special: Depression: Beyond the Darkness 60 Minutes: Taylor's Kids; Sanctuary; Sex and Mrs. Roseman. (R) Adam Smith's Money World: American Inventors

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#90243k0060 08/31/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 31) KYODO - HOUSING STARTS INCREASED 6.3 PERCENT TO 158,367 UNITS IN JULY FOR THE FOURTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR-ON-YEAR RISE, THE CONSTRUCTION MINISTRY ANNOUNCED FRIDAY.

OFFICIALS SAID THE INCREASE RESULTED FROM CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES' EXPANDING HOUSING STARTS TO OFFSET POSSIBLE HIKES IN INTEREST RATES FOR HOUSING LOANS FOLLOWING AN ANTICIPATED RISE IN THE OFFICIAL DISCOUNT RATE.

THE BANK OF JAPAN ON THURSDAY OFFICIALLY RAISED THE DISCOUNT RATE BY 0.75

PERCENTAGE POINT TO 6.0 PERCENT. INTEREST RATES ON HOME MORTGAGES ARE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW SUIT.

THE OFFICIALS ALSO SAID THAT THE DISCOUNT RATE HIKE AND THE POSSIBLE RISE IN INTEREST RATES ON HOUSING LOANS COULD BRING ABOUT A DECLINE IN HOUSING STARTS IN SEPTEMBER.

STARTS ON SINGLE-UNIT HOUSES FELL 2.9 PERCENT TO 46,757 UNITS, WHILE RENTALS ROSE 5.2 PERCENT TO REACH 75,104 UNITS, THEY SAID.

CONDOMINIUM STARTS ROSE 25.8 PERCENT TO A RECORD HIGH 33,069.

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#90243k0077 08/31/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 31) KYODO - MITSUBISHI METAL CORP. ANNOUNCED FRIDAY THAT IT WILL START CONSTRUCTION LATE THIS YEAR ON A COPPER SMELTER-CONVERTER IN TEXAS, MUCH LATER THAN PLANNED.

THE DELAY HAS BECOME UNAVOIDABLE AS THE COMPANY HAS NOT YET WON U.S. GOVERNMENT APPROVAL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SMELTER-CONVERTER, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THAT UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES, THE SMELTER-CONVERTER WILL PROBABLY GO INTO PRODUCTION AT THE END OF 1993, ABOUT TWO YEARS BEHIND THE INITIAL SCHEDULE.

PLANS CALL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SMELTER ON A 6.6 MILLION SQUARE-METER LOT IN TEXAS CITY, TEXAS, AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF 25 BILLION YEN.

THE SMELTER-CONVERTER WILL HAVE AN ANNUAL BLISTER COPPER PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 150,000 TONS.

THE BLISTER COPPER WILL BE SOLD ON THE U.S. MARKET, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90243k0083 08/31/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 31) KYODO - THE PHILIPPINES POSTED A BALANCE OF PAYMENTS SURPLUS TOTALING 140 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN JUNE, IN CONTRAST TO THE 375 MILLION DOLLAR DEFICIT IN JUNE 1989, THE CENTRAL BANK SAID FRIDAY.

THE BANK SAID THE SURPLUS WAS DUE TO THE RELEASE OF THE FIRST TRANCHE OF A NEW MONEY PACKAGE FROM COMMERCIAL BANKS IN MAY OF 482 MILLION DOLLARS.

IN THE SAME REPORT, THE BANK SAID THE COUNTRY'S TRADE DEFICIT ROSE TO 996 MILLION DOLLARS IN JUNE, AS IMPORTS REACHED 2.95 BILLION DOLLARS, SURGING

AHEAD OF EXPORTS WORTH 1.956 BILLION DOLLARS.

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#90243k0091 08/31/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (AUG. 31) KYODO - MIZUNO CORP. ANNOUNCED FRIDAY IT PLANS TO BUILD A GOLF CLUB PLANT SOON IN SCOTLAND.

IN CONNECTION WITH THIS, THE COMPANY IS INAUGURATING A SALES SUBSIDIARY IN THE SUBURBS OF PARIS ON SATURDAY, THE ANNOUNCEMENT ALSO SAID.

THE SCOTLAND PLANT WILL BE CONSTRUCTED IN CUMBERNAULD, IN THE SUBURBS OF GLASGOW, AND WILL GO INTO OPERATION DECEMBER 1.

THE 600,000 POUND FACTORY, WHICH WILL HAVE 30 WORKERS, WILL PRODUCE 240,000 GOLF CLUBS IN THE INITIAL YEAR.

MIZUNO HAS SO FAR SOLD ABOUT 400,000 GOLF CLUBS, PRODUCED IN TAIWAN AND SOUTH KOREA, YEARLY IN EUROPE. THE PROJECTED SCOTLAND PLANT WILL INCREASE ITS PRODUCTION CAPACITY IN THE FUTURE SO THAT ALL MIZUNO CLUBS TO BE SOLD IN EUROPE WILL BE PRODUCED BY THE PLANT, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE FRENCH SALES FIRM'S INITIAL-YEAR SALES ARE ESTIMATED AT 13.4 MILLION FRANCS.

MIZUNO PLANS TO PRODUCE GOLF GOODS, SPORTS SHOES, TENNIS WEAR, AND OTHER SPORTING GOODS IN EUROPE IN THE FUTURE FOR SALE THERE.

THE MIZUNO GROUP EXPECTS 12 BILLION YEN SALES IN EUROPE IN 1995, OR FOUR TIMES THE PRESENT LEVEL.

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#90243k0092 08/31/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 31) KYODO - JAPANESE ENERGY INDUSTRIES DISAGREED OVER HOW TO TREAT A FINAL REPORT FROM THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON CLIMATE CHANGE (IPCC) RELEASED FRIDAY, WITH ELECTRIC UTILITIES APPROVING WHILE OIL COMPANIES DEMURRED.

AN OFFICIAL AT TOKYO ELECTRIC POWER CO. SAID POWER COMPANIES SHOULD BE PREPARED FOR A LONG-TERM COMMITMENT TO SOLVING THE PROBLEM OF GLOBAL WARMING.

''IN THIS REGARD, IT IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT FOR INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES TO HELP DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND THAT WOULD BE IN OUR BEST INTERESTS TOO,'' HE SAID.

BUT THE OFFICIAL DISPLAYED SOME SKEPTICISM OVER THE TAXES OR SURCHARGES

IMPOSED ON CARBON DIOXIDE EMISSIONS PROPOSED BY SOME COUNTRIES.

''SUCH PROPOSALS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED VERY CAUTIOUSLY,'' HE SAID. ON THE OTHER HAND, OIL COMPANIES MADE IT CLEAR THAT THEY REFUSE TO REGARD THE REPORT AS THE FINAL VERDICT.

A SPOKESMAN OF NIPPON OIL CO. SAID, ''MORE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IS NECCESSARY BEFORE WE ARE CONVINCED THAT CARBON DIOXIDE IS REALLY THE CAUSE OF THE GLOBAL WARMING.''

''ANY RASH DECISION ON THE MATTER SHOULD BE AVOIDED,'' HE ADDED.

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#90243k0095 08/31/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 31) KYODO - THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (UAE) STATE-RUN OIL CONCERN ABU DHABI NATIONAL OIL CO. HAS TOLD JAPAN'S OIL INDUSTRY THAT IT WILL BE UNABLE TO INCREASE THE SEPTEMBER DELIVERY AS REQUESTED, THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY SAID FRIDAY.

THIS, HOWEVER, IS NOT LIKELY TO HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ECONOMY DUE TO APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS BY THE JAPANESE PRIVATE OIL COMPANIES TO SECURE THEIR NECESSARY QUOTAS IN THE SEPTEMBER DELIVERY CONTRACTS, ACCORDING TO OFFICIALS AT THE MINISTRY'S AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THEY HAVE YET TO CONFIRM DETAILS OF THE NOTIFICATION AND REASONS FOR THE UAE'S INABILITY TO SUPPLY ADDITIONAL OIL IN SEPTEMBER.

THE UAE HAD EARLIER SOUNDED OUT HOW MUCH THE JAPANESE OIL FIRMS WANTED ON TOP OF THE AGREED SEPTEMBER DELIVERY FOLLOWING AN ACCORD REACHED RECENTLY BY THE ORGANIZATION OF PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES (OPEC), ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY SOURCES.

UNDER THE PACT AGREED IN PRINCIPLE ON WEDNESDAY BY A MAJORITY OF THE OPEC MEMBER STATES ON A TEMPORARY HIKE IN OIL OUTPUT QUOTAS, THE UAE IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE ITS OIL PRODUCTION TO SOME 2 MILLION BARRELS PER DAY (BPD) FROM THE PRESENT CEILING OF 1.5 MILLION BPD.

IN A STATEMENT ISSUED AT THE END OF THE OPEC'S RECENT MEETING, THE ORGANIZATION'S MAJOR MEMBERS EXPRESSED THEIR READINESS TO DEFEND THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES' INTERESTS.

THE THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES ARE CONSIDERED TO BE HARDEST HIT BY SKYROCKETING OIL PRICES AND SUPPLY SHORTFALLS AS A RESULT OF THE LOSSES OF OIL FROM IRAQ AND IRAQI-OCCUPIED KUWAIT.

THE INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID THE UAE'S INABILITY TO INCREASE SUPPLIES TO

JAPAN MAY BE BECAUSE DUE TO PRIORITY IT HAS DECIDED TO GIVE DEVELOPING NATIONS.

THE SOURCES ALSO CITED A CAPACITY SHORTAGE OF LOADING FACILITIES IN THE UAE'S MAJOR SEA PORTS AS ANOTHER REASON.

THERE IS A VIEW, HOWEVER, THAT THE UAE IS LIKELY TO RESPOND TO JAPAN'S REQUEST FOR MORE OIL ONCE THIS SHORTFALL IS OVERCOME, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCES.

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#90243k0096 08/31/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 31) KYODO - INFLOW OF INVESTMENT TO THE PHILIPPINES SLOWED IN THE JANUARY-JULY PERIOD THIS YEAR WHILE THE NUMBER OF INVESTMENT PROJECTS INCREASED SLIGHTLY COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, THE PHILIPPINE BOARD OF INVESTMENTS SAID FRIDAY.

THE BOARD SAID EQUITY CONTRIBUTION OF BOTH LOCAL AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT DURING THE SEVEN-MONTH PERIOD TOTALED 27.95 BILLION PESOS (1.12 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS), OR 1.5 PERCENT HIGHER THAN THE 27.53 BILLION PESOS RECORDED A YEAR BEFORE.

INVESTMENT PROJECTS NUMBERED 1,685 IN THE PERIOD, UP FROM 1,397 PROJECTS IN JANUARY-JULY 1989. THE PROJECTS ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE GENERATED 77,339 JOBS.

OF THE TOTAL EQUITY INVESTMENT OF 27.95 BILLION PESOS, FILIPINO-OWNED OR CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS ACCOUNTED FOR 13.74 BILLION PESOS, DOWN 12.73 PERCENT FROM 15.74 BILLION PESOS THE YEAR BEFORE.

EQUITY IN FOREIGN-OWNED OR CONTROLLED PROJECTS INCREASED 20.53 PERCENT TO 14.2 BILLION PESOS.

DURING THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, JAPANESE INVESTORS RETAINED THE TOP SLOT, ACCOUNTING FOR NEARLY 5.2 BILLION PESOS, UP 150.4 PERCENT FROM THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR, THE BOARD SAID.

TAIWAN WAS SECOND WITH 3.2 BILLION PESOS, FOLLOWED BY CANADA WITH 1.06 BILLION PESOS, THE UNITED STATES WITH 905 MILLION PESOS, AND HONG KONG WITH 783.5 MILLION PESOS.

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#90243k0102 08/31/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (AUG. 31) KYODO - THE PHILIPPINE FOREIGN DEBT STOOD AT 26.975 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS AS OF THE END OF MAY, UP FROM 26.14 BILLION DOLLARS A MONTH BEFORE BUT DOWN FROM 27.616 BILLION DOLLARS AT THE END OF 1989, THE

CENTRAL BANK SAID FRIDAY.

ABOUT 22.538 BILLION DOLLARS, OR 83.55 PERCENT, OF THE COUNTRY'S OUTSTANDING DEBT WAS IN MEDIUM- AND LONG-TERM LOANS, WHILE ONLY 4.437 BILLION DOLLARS, OR 16.45 PERCENT, WAS IN SHORT-TERM DEBTS.

THE PUBLIC SECTOR, COMPOSED OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC FINANCIAL AND CORPORATE SECTORS, ACCOUNTED FOR 16.062 BILLION DOLLARS, 59.55 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL FOREIGN DEBT.

THE PRIVATE SECTOR HAD DEBTS OF 5.652 BILLION DOLLARS WHILE THE CENTRAL BANK OWED 5.261 BILLION DOLLARS.

THE CENTRAL BANK SAID THE COUNTRY'S BIGGEST CREDITORS WERE PRIVATE COMMERCIAL BANKS WITH A TOTAL EXPOSURE OF 12.017 BILLION DOLLARS.

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#90243k0103 08/31/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (AUG. 31) KYODO - DELAYS IN SOVIET PAYMENTS FOR IMPORTS FROM JAPAN, WHICH TENDED TO TAPER OFF FOR A TIME, ARE WORSENING AGAIN, TRADE SOURCES SAID FRIDAY.

THE JAPAN ASSOCIATION FOR TRADE WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND SOCIALIST COUNTRIES IN EUROPE SAID DELAYS IN SOVIET PAYMENTS FOR IMPORTS FROM JAPAN TOTALED 518 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS AS OF THE END OF JULY, UP 16.1 PERCENT FROM 446 MILLION DOLLARS THE MONTH BEFORE.

JAPANESE TRADING GIANTS, WHICH ACCOUNT FOR THE MAJORITY OF THE DELAYED PAYMENTS, WISH TO REFRAIN FROM TRADING WITH THE SOVIET UNION FOR FEAR THAT SUCH DELAYED PAYMENTS MIGHT INCREASE FURTHER, THE SOURCES SAID.

THE TRADING FIRMS, HOWEVER, FEAR THAT THE GOODWILL THEY HAVE ESTABLISHED IN TRADE WITH THE SOVIET UNION MAY BE EATEN AWAY BY OTHER TRADING FIRMS, IF THEY HOLD BACK FROM DEALING WITH SOVIET TRADING PARTNERS, THE SOURCES SAID.

THE ASSOCIATION SAID V/O PROMRYIOIMPORT, THE SOVIET INDUSTRIAL RAW MATERIALS EXPORT AND IMPORT CORP., LED IN IMPORT PAYMENTS DELAYS WITH 207 MILLION DOLLARS AS OF JULY 31, COMPARED WITH 169 MILLION DOLLARS THE MONTH BEFORE.

THE SOVIET CHEMICALS EXPORT AND IMPORT CORP. WAS SECOND WITH 153 MILLION DOLLARS, UP SLIGHTLY FROM 15L MILLION DOLLARS THE MONTH BEFORE.

DELAYS IN SOVIET PAYMENTS FOR IMPORTS HAD BUILT UP SINCE THEY SURFACED LAST YEAREND. HOWEVER, SHORTLY AFTER WEST GERMANY'S EXTENSION OF A 5 BILLION MARK EMERGENCY LOAN TO THE SOVIET UNION, THE OFFICE OF THE SOVIET

TRADE REPRESENTATIVE IN JAPAN SAID A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF THE DELAYED PAYMENTS WOULD BE PAID BY THE END OF JULY.

JAPANESE TRADING FIRMS THUS BELIEVED THAT THE PROBLEM OF PAYMENTS DELAYS WOULD BE SETTLED SOON.

WHEN THE SOVIET DIVISION CHIEF OF A MAJOR JAPANESE TRADING COMPANY ASKED SOVIET GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ABOUT THE PAYMENTS IN MID-AUGUST IN MOSCOW, HOWEVER, THE OFFICIALS REPLIED ONLY THAT EVERY EFFORT WOULD BE MADE TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM BY THE END OF THE YEAR, THE SOURCES SAID.

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#90243m0002 08/31/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (AUG 31) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

The dollar's drop is "like going to the dentist: It hurts now but it's good for us in the long run," says CARL WEINBERG, chief economist at HIGH FREQUENCY ECONOMICS. The cheap dollar gives U.S. exporters a competitive edge over some of their foreign rivals. Explaining the dollar's drop, Weinberg says, "High-yielding currencies gain and low-yielding currencies lose," as investors bail out of stocks and look for a place to put their cash. ("USA Today", 8/31)

"People in the foreign exchange market digested the 0.75 [percentage point rise in Japan's discount rate] almost completely" before the move, says KATSUMI ASAKO, chief corporate dealer at STANDARD CHARTERED BANK in Tokyo. ROBERT BRUSCA, chief economist at NIKKO SECURITIES, insisted that the yen fared well yesterday considering the rate rise was "very heavily discounted in the market." (WSJ, 8/31)

Despite recent growth in the money supply, the Fed has not yet turned on the money spigot, says DAVID JONES, chief economist for AUBREY G. LANSTON. "The Fed's in a corner - if they ease too aggressively now, long term rates could actually go up. ... The Fed has never controlled long term rates well and its even more difficult in the current circumstances." Jones says Alan Greenspan will be closely watching next week's purchasing managers survey and employment numbers. If the purchasing agents survey is below fifty and the July jobs data look weak, Jones believes the Fed will start easing sometime in September. (CNN "Business Day", 8/31)

"If oil prices stabilize at around the current levels, I think that would provide an opportunity for the Fed to move," says RUDOLF THUNBERG, an economist at RIED THUNBERG & COMPANY, an investment advisory firm in

Westport, Conn. (NYT, 8/31)

"I think people had hoped that the Fed could ease here into the face of a weak economy, but high rates available overseas really preclude them from doing that at least over the near term," says KATHLEEN MILLARD of CHASE MANHATTAN BANK explaining the financial markets reaction to the Japanese rate hike Thursday. She adds, "We need a Fed easing to make [bond yields] more attractive." (FNN's "Marketwrap", 8/30)

"We look for the Fed to ease policy sometime next week," says MMS INTERNATIONAL in their daily market commentary. "The best window of opportunity would be after the purchasing managers' report and before the employment data." (NYT, 8/31)

"The rumors continue to fly that the Fed will have to ease in the next few days," says SUNG WON SOHN, economist at NORWEST CORP., a bank holding company in Minneapolis. (WSJ, 8/31)

MICHAEL MORAN, the chief economist at DAIWA SECURITIES AMERICA INC., does not expect the Fed to move quickly to lower interest rates. "I think the Fed will wait and look at the employment report, and if that provides any new evidence that the economy is even weaker than previously, then they will ease. I think the Fed won't move until it has a clear case to adjust interest rates." (NYT, 8/31)

"Some of the trading was a bit strange in the global bond market," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN, director of money-market research at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS INC. "I would have thought that higher [Japanese] interest rates would weaken the dollar and weaken the Japanese financial markets. Instead, the dollar firmed and Japanese bonds firmed and that is puzzling." (WSJ, 8/31)

The bond market is looking ahead to next week's U.S. employment data which could prompt an easing by the Fed. "The [U.S.] economy is seen as soft, soft, soft, and it [the data] may well be the trigger. But recent economic data has been irrelevant," says one trader in London. (Reuters, 8/31)

"We went real far real fast Wednesday," says ROBERTA OLSON, fixed- income portfolio manager at BANC ONE ASSET MANAGEMENT, in Columbus Ohio, "and then with oil bouncing back, bonds had to come back some." (WSJ, 8/31)

THE ECONOMY:

"Slumpflation" is how economist DAVID JONES at AUBREY G. LANSTON describes his outlook for the U.S. economy. While he believes the economy is growing "ever so slightly" in the third quarter, Jones looks for a recession to start in the fourth quarter and last at least through the first half of 1991. "Most importantly ... every one of the consumer

confidence measures is down," says Jones, who thinks strength in the export sector could keep the recession from being too severe. (CNN "Business Day", 8/31)

Each time we have seen negative growth in the real money supply [M3] a recession followed "and I think again the odds favor that," says JAMES WELSH of the "Financial Commentator." "That was one of the reasons I turned nagative back in May." He continues, "M3 leads the economy by six to nine months, so what we are witnessing here is the ground work for the economy to remain weak for the next six to nine months." (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/30)

Bucking the doom-and-gloom predictions of most economists regarding the near future of the U.S. economy, some say that the recent oil shock will not necessarily be as debilitating as is commonly held, and that the economy may pick up speed if tensions flare up to a shooting war. "There's really been a tendency to be quick on the trigger and overreact to the jump in oil prices," says R.H. WRIGHTSON & ASSOCIATES INC. economist JOHN MCAULEY. "I suspect it's not going to derail things." (Reuters, 8/30)

Factory orders rose 1.6% in July. "It confirms that before the situation in the Middle East, things were sluggish but growing," says THOMAS RUNIEWICZ, an economist with the WEFA GROUP in Bala-Cynwyd, Pa. But now with the Middle East problem and energy prices higher, he expects to see factory orders down in August and "especially this fall." (NYT, 8/31)

"We don't have a recession. We still don't have a recession" despite "the largest drop [in consumer confidence] of all," says DELOS SMITH of the CONFERENCE BOARD commenting on their most recent report. "I think the term [oil] shock is well used because there are little inconsistencies [in the report] on the buying plans." He says questions that asked about buying plans and inflation were not down as significantly as the rest of the report might indicate. Since the surveys take place at the first of the month, Mr. Smith believes "it was just the shock of all of this," and it will be the September report before "we can really see what is happening with the consumer." He adds that consumer confidence "could rebound very sharply" depending on events in the Middle East. (FNN "Marketwrap", 8/30)

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#90243p0410 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, CONN. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - General Electric Company (NYSE: GE) announced today that John R. Haddock, 44, has been appointed vice president and general manager - medical systems marketing and engineering division, Waukesha, Wis. His previous position was general manager - electrical distribution and control marketing department, Plainville, Conn.

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#90243p0411 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, ORE. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Fabricland Inc. (NASDAQ: FBRC) reported fourth quarter net sales of $19,199,000 for the three months ended June 30, 1990, compared with net sales of $18,676,000 for the same period in fiscal 1989. This represented a 2.8 percent increase. Net earnings for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were $431,000 or $.13 per share, compared with earnings of $680,000, or $.21 per share for the same period in fiscal 1989. This represented a 36.6 percent decrease.

Net sales for the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, amounted to $81,045,000 compared to $74,537,000 in fiscal 1989, and represented an 8.7 percent increase. Net earnings for the fiscal year amounted to $2,800,000 or $.87 per share, in 1990, compared with earnings of $3,100,000, or $.96 per share, in 1989. This represented a 9.7 percent decrease.

Tony J. Bosboom, president, said that earnings are down in comparison to fiscal 1989, primarily due to the adverse impact that the change to everyday low pricing had on store-for-store net sales during the last half of fiscal 1990. In mid January 1990, the company changed from its traditional sales promotion concept to an everyday low pricing strategy.

Bosboom also indicated that recent changes have been made to improve sales results in fiscal 1991. These changes, among others, include the return to a modified sales promotion program which will offer customers an attractive selection of discounted merchandise for a limited period of time. The type and variety of merchandise will vary from sale to sale. Merchandise subject to the everyday low pricing strategy will be limited. Bosboom further stated that the recent experience has indicated that customers prefer the sales promotion strategy. With the return to this strategy, along with the combined strength of the company's attractive stores, wide selection of high quality brand name merchandise, and customer service, management believes that the company will be favorably positioned for the second quarter of the fiscal year, which historically is the busiest sales season.

Bosboom also said that in the fourth quarter the company had 77 stores this year compared with 72 stores in the fourth quarter last year. In fiscal 1990, the company has remodeled 23 stores, relocated two stores, opened six stores, and closed one store at the end of the lease term. Subsequent to the end of the fiscal year, the company has opened one new store, signed two additional leases and is currently negotiating for several additional locations.

FABRICLAND INC.
Summary of operations

	1990	1989	
	Three months ended June 30		
Net sales	$19,199,000	$18,676,000	
Net earnings	$431,000	$680,000	
Net earnings per share	$.13	$.21	Average shares outstanding
	3,217,000	3,217,000	
	1990	1989	
	12 months ended June 30		
Net sales	$81,045,000	74,537,000	
Net earnings	$2,800,000	$3,100,000	
Net earnings per share	$.87	$.96	Average shares outstanding
	3,217,000	3,217,000	

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#90243p0412 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Great American Management and Investment, Inc. (NASDAQ: GAMI) announced today that Equity Holdings Limited, an Illinois limited partnership, has completed the previously announced sale of 2 million shares of Great American to Hellman & Friedman Capital Partners, a California limited partnership, and Hellman & Friedman Capital Partners International, (BVI). The sales price was $25.00 per share.

After the sale, Equity Holdings Limited owns 8,168,756 shares of Great American's common stock or approximately 73.5 percent of the 11,113,756 shares outstanding.

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#90243p0413 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pacific Stock Exchange (PSE) today announced the commencement of options trading on the common stock of Checkpoint Systems Inc. and NICOR Inc. Checkpoint's shares are traded over-the-counter, while NICOR's are listed on the PSE. Since NICOR's common stock is listed on the PSE, the addition of listed options gives investors the unique opportunity of trading both instruments on the same exchange, providing a benefit for risk management transactions.

Founded in 1969 and based in Thorofare, N.J., Checkpoint is a worldwide supplier of Electronic Signatures, electronic identifiers that can be built into products. Checkpoint's leading application is Electronic

Article Surveillance (EAS) devices for electronic detection systems, used by retailers and libraries to control theft.

Based in Northern Illinois, NICOR Inc. is a holding company with subsidiaries engaged in gas distribution, oil and gas exploration and production, gas gathering and marketing, and containerized shipping.

Checkpoint Systems Inc. Stock Symbol: CHEK Option Symbol: CHQ Expiration Cycle: February four-month Current Months Trading: September; October; November; February Exercise/Position Limits: 3,000 Exercise/Strike Prices: 7-1/2, 10, 12-1/2 NICOR Inc. Stock Symbol: GAS Expiration Cycle: January four-month Current Months Trading: September; October; January; April Exercise/Position Limits: 3,000 Exercise/Strike Prices: 35; 40; 45

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TAMPA, FLA. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Nutmeg Industries, Inc., (NASDAQ: NUTM) today reported a return to profitability in the second quarter ended July 28, 1990, following losses in the two prior quarters.

Net income was $783,000 or 12 cents per share on net sales of $20.65 million. In the comparable quarter last year the company reported net income of $1,566,000 or 25 cents per share on net sales of $17.55 million.

For the six months ended July 28, 1990, Nutmeg reported net income of $491,000 or seven cents per share on sales of $29.86 million. A year ago the company reported six-month net income of $1,997,000 or 34 cents per share on net sales of $26.48 million.

Richard E. Jacobson, Nutmeg chairman and chief executive officer, said he is encouraged with the company's significant progress. "The operational controls put into place are taking effect," Jacobson said. "We continue to gain efficiencies from our strengthened management organization and a new computer-based management information system. Further benefits are expected in the coming months from the people and systems we have in place."

The second quarter results reflected positive contributions from both McBriar Sportswear, Inc., a sweater manufacturer acquired on May 31, 1990, and Nutmeg's Saturday's Hero joint venture. Jacobson added, "Although the early sales of Saturday's Hero have not met our initial expectations, this market segment and the new business opportunities now available to us through McBriar hold substantial promise."

The company's balance sheet and liquidity remain strong, Jacobson said. "Despite the acquisition of McBriar and the start-up of the Saturday's Hero joint venture, our inventories are only moderately ahead of those a year ago as a result of continued progress in Nutmeg Mills inventory reduction efforts." Jacobson said that despite recessionary fears and continued retail sluggishness, the demand for the company's licensed-sports products remains strong as evidenced by Nutmeg's consolidated order backlog of $26 million, up substantially over the $16 million of a year ago.

NUTMEG INDUSTRIES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per-share data)

	Quarter Ended		Six Months Ended	
	July 28, 1990	July 29, 1989	July 28 1990	July 29, 1989
Net sales	$20,645	$17,547	$29,860	$26,475
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of merchandise sold	14,579	10,985	20,933	16,202
Selling, general and administrative expenses	4,275	3,502	7,270	6,040
Interest expense	400	579	710	1,247
Minority interest expense	139	--	155	--
Income before income taxes and a cumulative change in accounting principle	1,252	2,481	792	2,986
Income tax provision	(469)	(915)	(301)	(1,102)
Cumulative effect on prior years of a change in accounting principle	--	--	--	113
Net income	$783	$1,566	$491	$1,997
Per common share: Income before cumulative effect on prior years of a change in accounting principle	$.12	$.25	$.07	$.32
Cumulative effect on prior years of a change in accounting principle	--	--	--	.02
Net income	$.12	$.25	$.07	$.34
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	6,781	6,274	6,778	5,835

CONTACT: George N. Derhofer, senior vice president and chief financial officer of Nutmeg Industries, Inc., 813-247-6044

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IRVINE, CALIF., (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Gradco Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: GRCO) announced today that its board of directors has determined to adjourn the company's annual meeting of shareholders, which was scheduled

to occur at 10:00 a.m. this morning in New York, until 10:00 a.m., local time, on Oct. 12, 1990 in Irvine. Gradco stated that the determination to adjourn the meeting was made in order to ensure that Gradco's shareholders receive all available information regarding recent events involving the company, which include the filing by Martin Tash of Plenum Publishing Corporation on Aug. 24, 1990 of a shareholder derivative suit and the recent public announcement by Tash that he intends to nominate one or more directors for election to the company's board of directors and to solicit a limited number of shareholders.

Keith B. Stewart, chairman and chief executive officer of Gradco, said that the board had concerns over Tash's solicitation for unnamed nominees with unknown qualifications, as well as concerns over the legality of the Tash solicitation. Stewart said he thought it was in the best interest of shareholders to have fair and complete disclosure available to all shareholders, not just a select group. Stewart further stated that he has tried to contact Tash in an effort to discuss company events and Tash's goals, but that Tash has refused to talk. Stewart said that additional proxy materials will be distributed shortly which discuss these matters,.

Stewart emphasized that the board hoped to put all material information before shareholders in order to promote full corporate democracy. Stewart specifically said that the company was endeavoring to add additional outside directors. In this vein, Stewart noted that the company is in the final stages of selecting a new outside director with industry knowledge and experience and that he anticipated announcing such nominee shortly for election at the adjourned meeting.

CONTACT: Newton H. Lee, Jr., secretary of Gradco Systems, 714-770-1223; or Stanley J. Kay or Daniel H. Burch of Dewe Rogerson Inc., 212-688-6840, for Gradco

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NEW YORK (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Bio-Technology General Corp. (NASDAQ: BTGC) announced today that it will make the Oct. 15, 1990 interest payment on its Series B 11 percent senior secured convertible notes due Oct. 15, 1998 to those persons who hold such notes on Oct. 1, 1990 in shares of its common stock, $.01 par value. The number of shares to be issued as payment of interest will be determined based on the average of the highest and lowest closing bid prices for each day as reported by NASDAQ during the period Sept. 11, 1990 through Oct. 8, 1990.

CONTACT: Leah Berkovits of Bio-Technology General, 212-239-0450, or Anita Monteith Dixon of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for Bio-Technology General

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#90243p0420 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - BP America announced today the appointment of two new members to its advisory board. Edwina Moss of Shaker Heights, Ohio and John C. Sawhill of Arlington, Va., were named as outside members of the advisory board, which is composed of senior BP executives and prominent professional and civic leaders. The advisory board was formed in 1987 to provide information and counsel on a broad range of issues that impact the future of the company.

Moss has been an active participant in civic, business, and government affairs in the Cleveland area since moving here in 1975. Her community activity includes serving on the boards of the Urban League and the Cleveland Music Settlement. Moss is a former director of the Higbee Company and currently serves as a member of the board of the Gateway Commission.

Sawhill, a native of Cleveland, is a former president of New York University and served as Deputy Secretary of the Department of Energy during the Carter administration. He is currently president of the Nature Conservancy, an international organization dedicated to environmental preservation.

"We are delighted to have such distinguished persons as Edwina Moss and John Sawhill join the BP America Advisory Board," said James H. Ross, president of BP America. "Their experience will be a valuable ingredient in our discussion of some of the key issues facing our company in the 1990's and beyond."

Other outside members of the Advisory Board include: David M. Abshire, president, Center for Strategic International Studies (Washington, D.C.); Douglas D. Danforth, chairman and CEO (retired), Westinghouse Electric Corporation, and Joseph T. Gorman, chairman, president and CEO, TRW Inc.

CONTACT: Charles E. Taylor of BP America, 216-586-5932

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#90243p0424 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Spearhead Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: SPHR) today reported financial results for its fiscal year ended May 31, 1990. Sales were $25,643,000, with a net loss of $1,292,000 or $.27 per share. This compares with sales in the prior year of $28,808,000, with a net loss of $1,095,000 or $.23 per share.

For the fourth quarter ended May 31, 1990, Spearhead had a net loss of $1,349,000 or $.28 per share. This compares with a net loss of

$1,894,000 or $.39 per share in the fourth quarter last year. In the fourth quarter, Spearhead wrote off approximately $500,000 of a total of $625,000 in receivables from a major retail customer which filed for bankruptcy. The write off was charged to administrative expense.

Spearhead also announced that it has completed a private placement of subordinated debt, with associated stock warrants, raising $1.6 million to improve its working capital position.

Wesley J. Laseski, chairman and CEO, commented: "We have had a tough transitional year during which we made important strategic changes that will benefit the business in fiscal 1991. We enter the new year with a lower cost structure and a positive sales outlook for all our seasonal and year-round products. We are particularly pleased with the strong market acceptance of our new Lite-Stik product family."

Spearhead Industries, Inc. designs and markets seasonal and year- round consumer toy products through mass merchandise distributors. The company's line includes items for Halloween, Easter and the snow season, as well as a line of toys sold throughout the year.

CONTACT: Thomas B. Alf of Spearhead Industries, 612-941-9171; or Joseph H. Jennings, Corporate Communication Consultant, 612-371-8280, for Spearhead

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#90243p0425 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) has found to be final its 1987 order granting Texas-New Mexico Power Company's application for certification of a lignite-fueled electric generating station currently nearing completion in Robertson County, Texas (TNP One), the company announced. Texas-New Mexico Power Company is the Fort Worth-based, wholly owned subsidiary of TNP Enterprises, Inc. (NYSE: TNP).

The PUCT's original Aug. 17, 1987 order, in which the company was granted a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN), was found to be final based on the company's having fulfilled the conditions set forth in the 1987 order and having limited its request to two units. The company expects to receive a written order within the next several days, which is subject to normal rehearing and appellate procedures.

Company officials said they are pleased with the PUCT's decision and feel it is a positive development for the company, its employees and its customers.

The company has consistently maintained that it has possessed a valid CCN

based on the original 1987 order issued by the PUCT. However, an appeals court affirmed a state district court ruling that the PUCT's 1987 order was not final due to certain conditions contained in the original order.

"Our goals from the outset have been to provide our customers with long-term, dependable electric service with diversification of resources," said D. R. Barnard, sector vice president and chief financial officer for the company.

TNP One, located in Robertson County, Texas, is a state-of-the-art, two-unit, 300 megawatt electric generating station capable of burning natural gas and western coal in addition to its primary fuel, Texas lignite. Unit 1 is currently nearing commercial operation and Unit 2 is scheduled to reach commercial operation in mid-1991.

Texas-New Mexico Power Company, an electric utility serving 90 towns and cities with 200,000 customers in Texas and New Mexico, is the principal, wholly owned subsidiary of Fort Worth-based TNP Enterprises, Inc.

CONTACT: D. R. Barnard, chief financial officer of Texas-New Mexico Power Company, 817-731-0099, Ext. 319

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#90243p0430 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB National Bank said today that U.S. military personnel eligible for reduced interest rates on their loans with NCNB may initiate application simply by calling the bank.

NCNB's normal customer service telephone numbers will accommodate these calls. Several telephone lines have been dedicated to this project.

The majority of those taking advantage of the telephone service are expected to be reservists activated in conjunction with the U.S. military operations in the Mideast.

Under federal law, U.S. military personnel may be eligible for reduced interest rates on debts incurred prior to joining the military or, in the case of reservists, prior to being called to active duty.

The reduced rates will apply if military service substantially affects the borrower's income. Military personnel receive information regarding the law as part of their normal processing.

"We want to make this service as readily available as possible," said Bill Middlemas, president of Southeastern Banking for NCNB. "We have streamlined the process and alerted NCNB personnel that these calls will be coming.

"Obviously our military personnel are providing a vital service to our country," Middlemas continued.

"Reservists already have had their lives and livelihoods disrupted by the call to duty. We felt we could do our part by making this process quick and convenient."

If possible, military customers of NCNB -- or their representatives -- calling to request the reduced rates should have account numbers for eligible loans ready when they call. The telephone number for initiating the application is 1-800-477-6262.

NCNB personnel will take the necessary information by phone, then mail the appropriate paperwork to the customer for verification.

CONTACT: Ellison Clary of NCNB Corporation, 704-386-8633

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#90243p0433 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The Standard Products Co. (NYSE: SPD) today announced it has purchased, through its Holm Industries subsidiary, substantially all of the assets of the Plastic/Magnetic Products Division of Pantasote Inc, Greenwich, Connecticut. Details of the acquisition were not announced.

The Plastic/Magnetic Products Division manufactures extruded and molded plastic and magnetic components, principally for the home appliance industry. It has plants in Seymour, Indiana; Hartselle, Alabama; New Ulm Minnesota; and San Diego, California. The division had sales of $24 million in 1989.

James S. Reid, Jr., Standard Products chairman, said the acquisition would complement the operations of the Company's Holm Industries subsidiary. Holm, acquired in April 1989, is a major supplier of extruded plastic and magnetic door seals for use in home appliances and residential exterior steel doors.

Standard Products' primary business is the manufacture of molded and extruded rubber and plastic parts for the automotive original equipment industry, rubberized track for military vehicles, and plastic and magnetic door seals for home appliances. Its Oliver Rubber subsidiary is a leading producer and marketer of tread rubber for truck tire retreading.

CONTACT: Joseph A. Robinson of The Standard Products Co., 216-281-8300 or Stanley L. Ulchaker of Edward Howard & Co., 216-781-2400, for The Standard Products Co.

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#90243p0435 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
INDIANAPOLIS (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Russell D. Mesalam has been promoted to the position of president of the Hook Drug Division of Hook-SupeRx, Inc. (HSI), according to Philip E. Beekman, chairman and chief executive officer of HSI; since 1988, he has served as vice president of store operations.

He joined Hook's in 1961 and served as manager of several stores before being named district manager for the Indianapolis and western Indiana stores in 1973; he was named assistant vice president of operations in 1980.

William B. Byrum is promoted to the position of vice president of store operations for the Hook Drug Division. He has served Hook's as a district manager in the Fort Wayne area since 1975. He served as assistant manager and manager of several Hook locations before being named district manager.

Hook-SupeRx, Inc., with headquarters in Cincinnati, operates 1,113 drug stores in 22 states through three operating divisions: Brooks Drugs, Inc., Hook Drugs, and SupeRx Drugs. The Hook Drug Division operates more than 395 drugstores in Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

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#90243p0438 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
AGEN, FRANCE (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Nicole Bru, president, chief executive officer, and controlling shareholder of the UPSA Group, and Richard L. Gelb, chairman and chief executive officer of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (NYSE: BMY), today announced agreements under which, subject to approval by French government authorities, Bristol-Myers Squibb would develop UPSA's effervescent nonprescription pharmaceutical business on a worldwide basis and would acquire for an undisclosed amount of cash a significant minority interest in the UPSA Group.

Bru, who was for any years director of research of the UPSA Group, became president and chief executive officer following the death of Dr. Jean Bru, who pioneered development of the effervescent technology through which UPSA has become the leading producer of analgesics in France.

Bru would continue as president and chief executive officer of UPSA. Under terms of the agreement, Bristol-Myers Squibb also would have the opportunity to acquire the remaining shares of UPSA in the longer term, subject to approval of the appropriate French government authorities.

UPSA is the largest privately held nonprescription drug company in Europe - with a broad range of ethical and nonprescription pharmaceuticals, including analgesic, cough/cold, vitamin, anti-inflammatory, cardiovascular, and other products - and is a world leader in effervescent technology.

It is ranked second in the overall European market for nonprescription analgesics, is the market leader in France and has strong positions in Belgium and Spain, as well as a growing presence in Italy.

Bristol-Myers Squibb is a diversified pharmaceutical company whose principal products are pharmaceuticals, consumer products, medical devices and nutritionals.

CONTACT: Jerry Parrott of Bristol-Myers Squibb, (212) 546-4333, or Guy Bourdin of UPSA Group, 011-33-1-47-49-05-00.

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#90243p0444 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

THOMASTON, GA (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomaston Mills Inc. (NASDAQ: TMSTA TMSTB) today reported net income of $6,003,889, equal to $1.87 per share, on sales of $199,829,805 for the fiscal year ended June 30, compared with income of $3,652,645, or $1.14 per share, on sales of $184,657,659 for the fiscal year ended July 1, 1989.

Fourth quarter earnings in 1990 were $1,788,159, or $.56 per share, on sales of $50,003,679, compared with earnings of $2,621,859, or $.82 per share, on sales of $53,212,650 for the fourth quarter of 1989.

Neil Hightower, president and CEO, stated that the 91st year of operations for the company was a year of growth that set many new records including record sales, which increased 8.2 percent. As planned, most of the growth in sales for the year occurred in the sales yarn and consumer products area.

In commenting on the company's outlook for the future, Hightower also stated: "Economic conditions have softened, and this has been particularly true in the textile industry. This softness began to surface in the company's fourth quarter as reflected by the sales decrease in that quarter. This slowness will no doubt continue into the early part of the new fiscal year. Management is taking a long term view of the business and plans are to continue a very aggressive capital expenditure program. These expenditures will be used to both expand the capacity of the company and make further improvements in quality and cost. The 2,356 employees of Thomaston Mills are committed to the future success of the company, and we will do our best to make Thomaston Mills Inc. a rewarding investment for our shareholders."

CONTACT: Neil H. Hightower, president and chief executive officer of Thomaston Mills, 404-647-7131

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#90243p0448 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - For the first time, dogs will now be able to enjoy tender, tasty food all the way to the bottom of the bag, while their owners save on wasted food and spills.

The Jim Dandy Co. is bringing a piece of modern technology to dog food packaging -- the Fresh-Lock resealable bag.

The Fresh-Lock seal is featured on 20-pound bags of Jim Dandy Tender Meaty Chunx, a mixed kibble premium dry dog food. It will help to keep the bags tightly sealed between servings, maintaining product freshness.

"This is a first for dog food," said John Stroud, Jim Dandy marketing manager. "It'll make dogs happy by keeping the product fresh and the semi-moist kibble chewy. It will also be more convenient and easier to handle for owners. One of the most favorable results is that it helps prevent the dog food from spilling."

The company tested the new Fresh-Lock resealable packaging against several alternatives, including a fold-over top commonly used on cookie bags. Dog food purchasers, especially those who buy semi-moist food, preferred the Fresh-Lock bag by a margin of two to n?e.

The new packaging is included as part of a reformulation that incorporates two types of dry and semi-moist kibble in one product. "Palatability tests showed that dogs prefer the taste of multi-kibble products," said Stroud. "The new Tender Meaty Chunx offers two tastes and textures in one formulation."

Jim Dandy is one of the largest regional producers of dog food in the Southeast. The company manufactures 17 different dry and canned pet food products. Headquartered in Atlanta, Jim Dandy has production facilities in Decatur, Ala., and a research kennel in Wetumpka, Ala. The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of ALPO Petfoods, Allentown.

CONTACT: Nancy Kippenhan of the Weightman Group, 215-821-1299, for ALPO Petfoods

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#90243p0449 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

SYRACUSE, NY (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Anaren Microwave Inc. (NASDAQ: ANEN)

has announced its results of operations for the fourth quarter and full fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for the year ended June 30, 1990, were $22,746,183, a nominal change from sales of $22,749,203 reported at June 30, 1989. Sales for the fourth quarter were $6,370,969, a nine percent decrease from sales of $6,984,998 during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Net loss for the year amounted to $2,172,209 for a loss per share of $.50, compared to a net loss during the prior fiscal year of $1,878,247 for a $.44 loss per share.

Net results for the fourth quarter were a loss of $1,120,514 for a loss of $.26 per share, compared to a loss of $271,845 for a $.07 per share loss during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Weighted average shares outstanding are 4,360,964 for fiscal 1990, compared to 4,307,370 for fiscal 1989.

	Fiscal Year		Three Months	
	6-30-90	6-30-89	6-30-90	6-30-89
Sales	$22,746,183	$22,749,203	$ 6,370,969	$6,984,998
Net Income (loss)	$(2,172,209)	$(1,878,247)	$(1,120,514)	$ (271,845)
EPS	$(.50)	$(.44)	$(.26)	$(.07)

Anaren, located in Syracuse, N.Y., designs and manufactures microwave components, assemblies and receiver subsystems for use in tactical electronic applications for defense of ships, aircraft and land vehicles. It is traded on the NASDAQ Over-The-Counter National Market under the symbol ANEN.

CONTACT: Michael Rowe of Anaren Microwave, Inc., (315) 432-8994 or Anthony D'Angelo of Sage Marcom Inc., (315) 478-6612, for Anaren Microwave, Inc.

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#90243p0454 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAYNE, PA. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Orthopedic Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: OSII), has purchased Canoga Orthopedics, Inc., a Canoga Park, Calif. orthotics and prosthetics company.

With the purchase of 15-year old Canoga Orthopedics, OSI's Western region now has 22 locations, including 17 in the Southern California area.

By combing the capabilities and talents of Canoga Orthopedics with the company's already existing operations headquartered in Brea, Calif., Orthopedic Services, is furthering its long-term commitment to the

Southern California healthcare community.

Richard Johnson, former owner of Canoga Orthopedics, will continue with Orthopedic Services. "Joining OSI, which is nationally recognized for its excellence in providing progressive leadership, further enhances the benefits we will be able to provide to our patients in the San Fernando Valley area," said Johnson.

The company will continue conducting business at its offices at 7138 Shoup Avenue, Canoga Park.

OSI is the largest provider of patient care services in the orthotic and prosthetic rehabilitation segment of the healthcare services industry. OSI currently provides services through 54 patient care centers in 12 states.

CONTACT: Jeffrey S. Levitt, president of Orthopedic Services, 215-687-8080, or Susan A. Noonan of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for Orthopedic Services

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#90243p0455 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KAN. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) reported today that its board of directors has amended the company's by-laws to "opt out" of provisions of the Kansas Control Share Acquisitions Act (Kansas Statutes Annotated Section 17- 1286 et seq.). As a result, provisions of the act will not apply to any control share acquisition of KG&E stock within the meaning of the Kansas statute.

KG&E Board Chairman and President Wilson K. Cadman said, "In a nutshell, this simply means that any company which makes a controlled share acquisition of KG&E stock can vote its shares. This eliminates the added expense of a proxy solicitation and a special meeting of shareholders."

"We believe the Kansas City Power & Light Company offer is inadequate, as to the common shareholders, is legally flawed, and has been put forward in an atmosphere of pressure designed to benefit primarily Kansas City Power & Light Company. Our board is committed to fully and professionally investigate all of the options available to us to protect and enhance the value of our shareholders' investment. We are pursuing that objective aggressively," Cadman concluded.

CONTACT: Lyle Koerper of Kansas Gas and Electric, 316-261-6207

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#90243p0456 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Customers of Consumers Power Company are receiving a rich harvest of information about September tourist and family activities across Michigan in their utility bills.

In some two million bills being sent to customers, the utility has inserted a brochure listing some of the entertaining events taking place around the state this month.

The mailing, said John W. Clark, senior vice president for Consumers Power, is part of an ongoing program by the company to assist the Michigan Travel Bureau and communities throughout both peninsulas in promoting tourism.

The attractions listed in the brochure begin with the St. Ignace Indian Powwow Sept. 1-2, marking the heritage of the Chippewa Indians. Those who visit the powwow should stay around for the 33rd annual Labor Day Bridge Walk. Thousands of hikers are expected to join Michigan's Gov. James J. Blanchard for the five-mile trek from St. Ignace across the Mackinac Bridge to Mackinaw City. Later in the week, the Michigan Wine and Harvest Festival takes place in Paw Paw and Kalamazoo Sept. 6-9.

Next weekend will also see the Posen Potato Festival (Sept. 7-9) featuring two breakfasts, five dinners and a potato pancake smorgasbord. It will also be the start of Fall Weekends at Crossroads Village near Flint.

Beginning Sept. 8-9, each Saturday and Sunday during September, visitors can walk the streets of this restored 19th century village or ride the Huckleberry Railroad, Michigan's only authentic steam-powered, narrow-gauge train. Port Huron will host an Antique and Classic Boat Show Sept. 15, with more than 100 classic craft tied up along the Black River.

Detroit's Festival of the Arts will be held Sept. 21-23, with more than 500 performers and 125 artists showing their talents in the University Cultural Center area. What better way to mark the fall season than an apple fest. Niles will be the site of the Four Flags Area Apple Festival Sept. 21-23.

The brochure also promotes the Great Lakes Circle Tour for those interested in seeing the fall colors in many dimensions. There are three tours, Circle Michigan, Circle Lake Superior and Circle Lake Michigan that can easily be taken by following the road signs. Among the sites along the Michigan route are nearly 100 lighthouses and beacons, 80 harbors and almost 1,000 miles of public beach or lakefront.

CONTACT: Mike Koschik of Consumers Power Company, (517) 788-0112.

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#90243p0464 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - "A new, reduced national corporate rate of $175 will be offered at the Fairmont Hotel-Chicago Sept. 4 to 30, 1990, making Fairmont luxury and service in Chicago more affordable," today announced Richard L. Swig, president and CEO, Fairmont Hotel Management Co. "The new rate offers the business traveler superior value, through better pricing, convenient location and exceptional service. The $175 rate is $10 below Fairmont's current corporate rate, and is also less than Marriott's and Hyatt's downtown hotels' corporate rates," continued Swig.

Additionally, the rate allows President's Club members to take advantage of all the exclusive benefits of the club program, including guaranteed rooms, upgrades to a luxury suite at check-in (if available), special in-room welcome amenities and more. President's Club membership is free. Unlike other hotel "frequent guest" programs, President's Club members receive these benefits each time they stay at any Fairmont Hotel, as long as they pay the published national corporate or regular weekday rates. Guests can enroll instantly in the President's Club via Fairmont's toll-free reservation number, 800-527-4727.

Plus, for a limited time, each President's Club member will receive complimentary admission to, as well as special benefits at, The Sporting Club, Chicago's most remarkable and luxurious health, athletic and spa facility. Connected to the Fairmont, The Sporting Club also provides President's Club members with upgraded locker room accommodations and discounts at the BIOASIS spa. Only the Fairmont offers this added convenience and value.

To make reservations at the Fairmont Hotel-Chicago or any other Fairmont Hotel, contact a travel agent or call toll free, 800-527-4727.

CONTACT: Susan Ellefson or Julie Pittman of the Fairmont Hotel, 312-565-6634

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#90243p0469 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

LYNNWOOD, WASH. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Area Profile, a full-color magazine containing community information about the Greater University area, will make its debut in the next issue of the University To Northgate GTE Neighborhood Everything Pages telephone directory. The magazine, which will be bound into the front of the directory, also introduces to businesses a new form of advertising.

"From a marketing perspective, the University Area Profile offers local businesses, as well as regional and national brand manufacturers, a unique and long-lasting advertising opportunity," said Greg Ness, marketing administrator for GTE Directories, publisher of the directory. "Now businesses can promote themselves in a full-color magazine that has the

staying power of a telephone directory."

The magazine, a joint effort between GTE Directories and the Greater University Chamber of Commerce, will be distributed to more than 84,000 residences and businesses in February. It will aslo be made available at the University Bookstore and to visitors staying at many of the area's hotels and motels, including the Meany Tower and University Travelodge.

"Area Profile will contain in-depth stories and colorful photos of the area that will help people make the most of a wonderful community," said Ness. "It should be an excellent promotional tool for the Chamber, and an attractive advertising option for a wide variety of businesses."

GTE Directories Corp. has been a leading telephone directory publishing company for more than 50 years. With headquarters in Dallas/Fort Worth, the company employs 6,000 people and annually markets, produces and distributes more than 1,100 different directories, including The Everything Pages(R). The company is a unit of Tampa-based GTE Information Services Inc., an operating group of GTE Corp. (NYSE: GTE), Stamford, Conn.

CONTACT: Greg Ness of GTE Directories Corp., 206-670-6006

-30- 2130

#90243p0483 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MT. LAUREL, NJ (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The Jerome Group Inc. (OTC), a manufacturer and distributor of medical products, disclosed today that it is negotiating for the sale for cash of one of its important product lines including goodwill.

If an agreement in principle is reached, it is expected that the closing would take place by the end of September.

The identity of the purchaser, the value of the transaction and the identity of the product line were not disclosed. The company indicated that no further information would be provided until definitive terms were agreed upon.

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#90243p0485 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Motors Insurance Corporation today released the following:

Motors Insurance Corporation (MIC), a subsidiary of General Motors

Acceptance Corporation, announced today it has signed a memorandum of understanding with Crum and Forster, Inc., a Xerox Financial Services company, for the purchase of NAVCO Corp., an insurance holding company subsidiary of Crum and Forster, specializing in personal lines insurance.

NAVCO Corp., with a record of strong growth and profitability, represents an outstanding strategic fit with MIC. NAVCO's excellent management team and direct response distribution system offer significant potential for further premium and profitability growth.

CONTACT: John S. Andrews of GMAC, (313) 556-1022.

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#90243p0486 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - For the first time, dogs will now be able to enjoy tender, tasty food all the way to the bottom of the bag, while their owners save on wasted food and spills. The Jim Dandy Co. is bringing a piece of modern technology to dog food packaging - the Fresh-Lock resealable bag.

The Fresh-Lock seal is featured on 20-pound bags of Jim Dandy Tender Meaty Chunx, a mixed kibble premium dry dog food. It will help to keep the bags tightly sealed between servings, maintaining product freshness.

"This is a first for dog food," said John Stroud, Jim Dandy marketing manager. "It'll make dogs happy by keeping the product fresh and the semi-moist kibble chewy. It will also be more convenient and easier to handle for owners. One of the most favorable results is that it helps prevent the dog food from spilling."

The company tested the new Fresh-Lock resealable packaging against several alternatives, including a fold-over top commonly used on cookie bags. Dog food purchasers, especially those who buy semi-moist food, preferred the Fresh-Lock bag by a margin of two to one.

The new packaging is included as part of a reformulation that incorporates two types of dry and semi-moist kibble in one product. "Palatability tests showed that dogs prefer the taste of multi-kibble products," said Stroud. "The new Tender Meaty Chunx offers two tastes and textures in one formulation."

Jim Dandy is one of the largest regional producers of dog food in the Southeast. The company manufactures 17 different dry and canned pet food products. Headquartered in Atlanta, Jim Dandy has production facilities in Decatur, Ala., and a research kennel in Wetumpka, Ala. The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of ALPO Petfoods, Allentown.

CONTACT: Nancy Kippenhan of the Weightman Group, (215) 821-1299, for ALPO Petfoods.

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#90243p0487 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OHIO (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - BFGoodrich (NYSE: GR) has completed the sale of its off-highway braking systems business to Carlisle Companies (NYSE: CSL).

The off-highway braking systems business manufactures brakes and associated hydraulic controls used on construction, mining and other off-highway vehicles. Sales in 1989 totaled approximately $47 million. The business is headquartered in Bloomington, Ind., and operates plants in Bloomington and in the Netherlands and Brazil. BFG's minority position in Japan Power Brake is included in the transaction.

Terms of the sale, which was announced originally in early July, were not disclosed. The sale will not have a significant effect on BFG's income for 1990.

BFGoodrich is a manufacturer of plastics and specialty chemicals and provides components and services to the aerospace industry. Sales totaled $2.4 billion in 1989.

CONTACT: Bev Pierce (media), 216-374-3411, or Tom Waltermire (investor), 216-374-2556, both of BFGoodrich

-30- 1202

#90243p0488 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Danaher Corporation (NYSE: DHR) announced today that John P. Watson has been appointed general manager marketing and international for the Tool Group effective Sept. 3, 1990.

Watson, 45, was formerly an executive vice president for the Sterling group, a division of the Kohler Company. Prior to joining Sterling in July 1986, Watson spent five years with Emerson Electric Corporation as vice president marketing for Skill Corporation which followed 13 years at the General Electric Corporation.

"Jack Watson is a welcome and significant addition to Danaher. His extensive experience in managing global product plans as well as his understanding of the channels of distribution will help accelerate our growth plans for the Tool Group," said George Sherman, president and chief executive officer.

Watson holds a B.S. degree in electrical engineering from Villanova

University.

Danaher Corporation is a leading manufacturer of hand tools, process/environmental controls and transportation products.

CONTACT: Patrick W. Allender, CFO of Danaher Corporation, 202-828-0850

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#90243p0492 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILAN, IL (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle Food Centers, Inc. (NASDAQ: EGLE) today announced that its two stores located in those southwestern Chicago suburban areas hit by Tuesday's tornado are fully operational.

The stores in Crest Hill and Joliet were temporarily shut down due to a power outage, but resumed operations within five hours. Each has been actively servicing its respective communities.

In addition, Eagle has provided foodstuffs and other vitally needed goods to shelters set up at sites throughout the disaster area. These goods have been shipped from the company's main distribution center in Milan, Ill.

Eagle Food Centers, Inc., is a leading regional supermarket chain headquartered in Milan, Ill., operating 106 stores in northern and central Illinois, eastern Iowa and northwestern Indiana under the trade name Eagle Food Centers.

CONTACT: Robert Van De Voorde of Eagle Food Centers, 309-787-7730; Jack Queeney of Financial Relations Board-Chicago, 312-266-7800; or Jan Quartner of FRB-New York, 212-661-8030

-30- 1233

#90243p0499 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ERIE, PA (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Erie Forge and Steel Inc., an employee-owned corporation, announced today that it has completed the acquisition of the assets of National Forge Co.'s Erie, Pa., plant.

The buyout of the facility successfully concludes nearly two years of cooperative effort by labor and management to assure the continued operation of one of the most advanced steel melting and forging operations in the world.

Erie Forge and Steel Inc. will operate as an employee-owned company with the majority stock position vested with an ESOP Trust and management staff. Minority positions are held by American Capital Strategies Ltd. and

National Forge Co.

The new corporation currently employs 270 people with an annual payroll of approximately $11 million. The addition of 80 new jobs is anticipated during the next three years.

The acquisition has been made possible, in large part, because of the enthusiasm and cooperation of the highly skilled and dedicated production employee-owners who are members of the United Steelworkers of America.

The company has chosen to rename itself Erie Forge and Steel Inc., which was its identity prior to a 1969 acquisition by National Forge Co.

Erie Forge and Steel Inc. commences operations as an industry leader with a strong and secure market share in complex, large-scale open-die steel forgings. Order backlog at the end of July was $34 million; first-year sales are projected to be $38 million.

Plant production also includes a broad array of rough and finish-machined large-scale components for electrical power generation and other capital equipment industries. The company is the single-largest producer of hollow-board ship propulsion shafts in the United States. It is a sole-source supplier of many marine components including shaft assemblies for U.S. Navy Trident submarine and Aegis-class surface vessels. Additionally, high-quality carbon and alloy ingots, forged billets and machined bars are produced in a wide range of custom sizes and compositions.

A recent $13 million investment in equipment and facilities provides Erie Forge and Steel Inc. with state-of-the-art melt-to-machining production and quality control capabilities.

Erie Forge and Steel Inc. holds the unique position of being one of the few domestic producers with integrated capabilities of melting, forging, heat treating and finish machining of large forgings all within one facility.

CONTACT: Allan E. Concoby, president and chief executive officer of Erie Forge and Steel Inc., 814-452-2300

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#90243p0507 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of trustees of Universal Health Realty Income Trust (NYSE: UHT) declared today a quarterly dividend of $.37 per share payable on Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 14.

This represents a continuation of the quarterly dividend rate that has been paid for the previous four quarters.

Universal Health Realty Income Trust, a real estate investment trust, invests in health care and human service-related facilities including acute care hospitals, psychiatric hospitals, substance abuse recovery centers and rehabilitation hospitals. The trust currently owns 12 hospitals and provides mortgage financing for another hospital.

CONTACT: Kirk E. Gorman of Universal Health Realty Income Trust, 215-265-0688

-30- 955

#90243p0510 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Prices of 1991 Lexus models will increase an average of 3.3 percent or about $1,150 after adjusting for additional standard equipment on the LS 400, the luxury division of Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc., announced today. There are no changes in option pricing.

The Lexus LS 400 and ES 250 were introduced one year ago on Sept. 1, 1989. The increase in the price of '91 models reflects the continuing growth of Lexus' operations and ongoing product development costs.

Additional standard equipment for the 1991 LS 400 includes remote entry (formerly an option), key-off accessory power, and a 50-state emissions package.

"The changes for 1991 models are a direct result of consumer feedback," said Dave Illingworth, Lexus vice president and general manager. "It's an example of Lexus' commitment to customer satisfaction that these changes were made in less than a year."

The 1991 LS 400 will have a base price of $38,000. The ES 250 will have a base price of $21,300. The 1991 ES 250 will go on sale immediately while the '91 LS 400 will reach dealer showrooms in mid- September.

CONTACT: Art Garner of Lexus, 213-781-3282

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#90243p0511 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Southnet Corp. announced today that it has received a contract from GA Holdings, TA, Ltd., of Tel Aviv, for distribution of Southnet's International World Card in Israel.

GA Holdings will operate for five years as a Southnet distributor and has

placed an initial order for 10,000 cards to be distributed starting Oct. 1. The company places an estimated value of $3.6 million in new annual revenues from this agreement and solidifies a third international distributor within the first 30 days of marketing the new World Card product.

Southnet Corp., headquartered in Tampa, Fla., is a provider of enhanced telecommunications services and operator services. The company's stock is publicly traded on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange and OTC Markets.

CONTACT: Robert J. Zradicka of Southnet, (813) 287-2880.

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#90243p0513 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAYNE, PA (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - SEI Corp. (NASDAQ: SEIC), through its chairman and chief executive officer, Alfred P. West Jr., announced today that Henry H. Greer has been elected president and chief operating officer of the company.

Greer has been a director of SEI for 12 years and most recently served as executive vice president in charge of the Benefit Services unit, as well as the Information Services Division, the largest single operating entity of the corporation.

Greer is a graduate of Dartmouth and spent eight years with IBM, finishing his tenure there as a Washington branch manager. He spent two years as vice president of marketing for GTE, followed by a position at AuTex where he managed a major turnaround for this provider of financial and technology services to the brokerage and institutional communities.

For the 11 years prior to assuming managerial duties at SEI, he was an investor in small privately held companies, which he directed and managed as owner.

"Hank Greer brings maturity, wisdom and solid experience to this key position and I am confident he will exceed even our most optimistic expectations," said West.

CONTACT: Murray A. Louis of SEI Corp., (215) 254-1932.

-30- 1402

#90243p0516 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROME (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - General Dynamics Commercial Launch Services Inc. (CLS) today signed a contract with Agenzia Spaciale Italiana (ASI) to provide Atlas launch services for the x-ray astronomy satellite in 1994.

Participating in a contract signing ceremony here today were Alan M. Lovelace, president of General Dynamics Commercial Launch Services, Professor Luciano Guerriero, president of ASI, the Italian space agency, and Professor Carlo Buongiorno, director general of ASI.

"We are pleased to establish this relationship with the Italian space agency and proud that our Atlas launch vehicle will play a key role in boosting this important scientific satellite for the Italian government," Lovelace said.

An Atlas I launch vehicle built by General Dynamics Space Systems Division will launch the 1,300 kilogram- (2,868 lbs.) satellite from Launch Complex 36B at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla.

The x-ray astronomy satellite is a major scientific effort of the Italian space agency and The Netherlands Agency for Space Programs. The satellite, which will be manufactured by Aeritalia, will study x-ray emissions. The satellite will perform between 2,000 and 3,000 separate observations during its lifetime.

General Dynamics has committed to building 60 Atlas launch vehicles for commercial and military markets. CLS has orders for 23 commercial launches and space systems division is under contract for 10 launches for the U.S. Air Force.

Atlas Commercial Launch Services are marketed by Commercial Launch Services Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of General Dynamics, and the launch vehicles are produced by the Space Systems Division.

CONTACT: Jack F. Isabel of General Dynamics, 619-547-9003

-30- 1943

#90243p0524 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURLINGTON, NJ (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - FMS Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: FMCO) and Fidelity Mutual Savings and Loan Association today jointly announced the termination of the proposed combination of the two corporations.

The proposed combination was publicly announced following the execution of a letter of intent in September 1989. FMS Financial is the holding company for Farmers' & Mechanics' Savings Bank.

The proposed transaction involved the conversion of Fidelity Mutual from a mutual savings institution to a stock savings institution and the acquisition by FMS Financial of all of the shares issued by Fidelity Mutual in the conversion.

As reasons for the discontinuation of their attempt at this time to accomplish the combination, Michael Bisceglie, president and chief executive officer of FMS Financial, cited the more negative economic climate that now exists as compared to when talks were initiated in September 1989.

Further, he cited the internal situation that has recently occurred at Fidelity Mutual, that being embezzlement by one of its former officers. Bisceglie further stated that given justification, the two thrifts might consider reviving the merger/acquisition at some future date.

CONTACT: Lois L. Bruschini of FMS Financial, 609-386-2400.

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#90243p0526 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. PAUL, MINN. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Pentair, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: PNTA), the St. Paul-based manufacturer of industrial products and paper, declared a preferred stock quarterly cash dividend of $.375 per share payable Oct. 1, 1990, on Preferred Stock, Series 1987, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 14, 1990.

Pentair, Inc., is a St. Paul, Minn.-based company comprised of 10 businesses which manufacture woodworking equipment, electric power tools, sporting ammunition, electrical enclosures, automotive service equipment, industrial lubrication systems, material dispensing equipment, pumps and paper.

CONTACT: Mark Cain of Pentair, 612-636-7920

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#90243p0534 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
ERIE, PA. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The management and employees of the Erie forging plant of National Forge Co. today purchased their facility in a transaction which required $19 million in financing.

The new company, Erie Forge and Steel, Inc., is majority-owned by its 270 employees. The transaction shows the continuing viability of employee buyouts despite the difficult economic climate.

Erie Forge is a leading high quality manufacturer of large scale, technically complex open die steel forgings and the nation's largest manufacturer of large ship propeller shafting. It also produces high quality carbon and alloy ingots.

"We are extremely proud to have negotiated a complex transaction which serves the interests of our employees and the community," said Allan

Concoby, the new president of Erie Forge. "We will repay this support by maintaining a high level of employment for years to come."

"This endeavor would not have been possible without the support and cooperation of the Erie Community, our government officials, National Forge Company and, most importantly, all the employees of the Erie plant," said Thomas Phillips, president of Local 1573 of the United Steelworkers of America.

Minority ownership stakes in Erie Forge are held by American Capital Strategies Ltd., a Bethesda, Md.-based investment bank which specializes in employee buyouts, and by National Forge Company. Financing was provided by the employees, ITT Capital, National Canada Finance Corporation, the Erie County Economic Development Agency, the Pennsylvania Industrial Development Authority, the Pennsylvania Machinery and Equipment Loan Fund and American Capital Strategies, Ltd.

The transaction proceeded with the full support of Erie's employees, said Concoby. "This is the conclusion of a two-year effort. All of us will be taking sacrifices in wages and benefits for several years to come. Without the support of the United Steelworkers of America, and of our salaried and management employees, this transaction would not have been possible."

Concoby expressed high hopes for the company's future. "Our workforce is skilled, experienced, and dedicated. We have a healthy $35 million order backlog. We have recently completed a $13 million capital improvement program, which has given us a world class melt to machining production capacity. This will allow us to expand aggressively into new markets, as well as build on our existing $40 million sales base."

Although there have been many employee buyouts in the steel industry in recent years, the Erie transaction is especially significant because it demonstrates the viability of such buyouts at a time of uncertain financial markets.

CONTACT: Allan Concoby, president, Erie Forge & Steel, Inc., 814-452-2300; Malon Wilkus, president, American Capital Strategies, Ltd., 301-951-6122; Frank Lucchino, partner, Groban, Graffam, McKinley & Lucchino, 412-553-6300, for Erie Forge & Steel, Inc.; or Thomas Phillips, president, Local 1573, United Steelworkers of America, 814-452-2300

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#90243p0535 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Selfix, Inc. (NASDAQ: SLFX) today reported that net earnings rose eight percent in fiscal 1990. For the year ended May

31, 1990, net earnings were $2.24 million, compared with $2.07 million for the same period last year. Earnings per share were $.64 in fiscal 1990 (based on 3,521,303 shares) compared to $.66 per share a year ago (based on 3,139,762 shares).

Selfix net sales for the fiscal year were $31.71 million, a 12.4 percent increase over the previous year sales of $28.21 million. The increase was the result of higher unit sales of existing products and the roll out of new products introduced during the year.

Chairman of the board Meyer J. Ragir said he expects continued sales and earnings growth in the next fiscal year: "1990 was a landmark year for Selfix, Inc. On June 22, 1990, we completed our second acquisition, Independent Products Company of West Point, Pa. I.P.C. is a leading marketer of quality products for home and closet storage. This acquisition reinforces our commitment to home organization, one of the fastest growing categories in consumer home products.

"We also completed a comprehensive expansion project at our Shutters, Inc. facility in Hebron, Ill., allowing us to increase profitability due to production efficiencies.

"Through sound capital expenditures such as these and strategic acquisitions like I.P.C., Selfix is taking steps to insure long-term growth in a highly competitive environment."

SELFIX, INC.

Fiscal year ending May 31:	1990	1989
Sales	$31,707,985	$28,207,745
Net earnings	2,237,639	2,071,094
Net earnings per share	$.64	$.66
Average shares outstanding	3,521,303	3,139,762

Fourth quarter ending May 31:	1990	1989
Sales	$7,475,219	$7,030,580
Net earnings	379,332	382,786
Net earnings per share	$.11	$.11
Average shares outstanding	3,506,978	3,516,368

CONTACT: Judi Main of Judi Main & Associates, (312) 871-3212, or Rick Schwab (investors), (312) 890-1010, both for Selfix.

-30- 2463

#90243p0536 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - GM International Export Sales (IES) Executive-in-Charge Dale R. Hermiller has announced the appointment of Ruth A. Dutton as director, organization and employee development for IES

effective Sept. 1, 1990.

Dutton's responsibilities in her new position will be to continue developing the human resources and organizational support required for the team operating concept which was initiated last fall when IES was reorganized.

Dutton began her GM career in November 1962 in the personnel department of Pontiac Division. In December 1977, she was promoted to manager, divisional Quality of Work Life activities, and became general supervisor, salaried personnel administration in October 1982. She was promoted to personnel director for Pontiac Division in January 1985. In January 1989 she joined the GM Personnel Staff as manager, personnel planning.

Born in Bay City, Mich., Dutton is a 1981 graduate of Oakland University. She received a masters of business administration degree from Michigan State University in 1986.

CONTACT: Julia Boayue, 313-556-4581, or Mark Rollinson, 313-556-5117, both of GM International Export Sales

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#90243p0537 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - West Point Holding Corp. announced today that it had extended the expiration date of its exchange offers to holders of outstanding notes and preferred stock of its parent, West Point Acquisition Corp., to 5 p.m., EDT, on Sept. 14, 1990. The exchange offers had previously been scheduled to expire on Aug. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Pamela L. Webber of Farley Industries, (312) 876-1724.

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#90243p0541 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

LATHAM, N.Y. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitel, Inc. and Coradian Corporation (NASDAQ: CDIN) today announced Mitel's acquisition by means of a cash merger of Coradian, one of the leading independent interconnect companies in the United States. The merger was approved Aug. 30, 1990, at a special meeting of Coradian shareholders in Albany, N.Y., and became effective on Aug. 31, 1990.

Under the terms of the previously announced Agreement and Plan of Merger dated June 5, 1990, it is anticipated that former holders of Coradian securities will receive between $7,500,000 (U.S.) and $8,500,000 (U.S.) in the aggregate for their shares. The final amount will be determined after all adjustments to the purchase price are calculated.

The purchase of Coradian is the next logical step in Mitel's U.S. distribution strategy -- the Mitel Integrated Distribution Network (IDN). "Coradian is an integral part of our overall distribution plan, a plan we have been formulating for the last two years," said Mitel, Inc. President John W. Combs.

"This action was pursued because Coradian complements our existing distribution channels," Combs added. "With this acquisition, Mitel further strengthens our growing dealer network by adding a new dimension. As our Integrated Distribution Network unfolds, people will understand how this important move benefits both our business partners and end-users.

"Mitel dealers have been very successful in serving our end-users' needs in the small-to-medium-sized markets," Combs explained. "Coradian strengthens the company's position in the large line-size/multiple location market, where customers often require direct manufacturer contact."

Coradian President and CEO George Benson noted, "Coradian historically has been one of Mitel's leading distributors for large, complex applications. Coupled now with Mitel, we expect to significantly increase our position in the large line-size market."

It is presently anticipated that Coradian will remain a separate corporate entity and will report to Mitel's U.S. business region.

Headquartered in Latham, Coradian reported over $27 million in sales in 1989.

Mitel is a subsidiary of Mitel Corporation, an international manufacturer of sophisticated, reliable business telecommunications systems, public switching systems, and semiconductor devices, with annual revenues of over $400 million (CDN).

Mitel Corporation has sold more PBX systems worldwide than any other manufacturer. Over 150,000 Mitel telecommunications systems have been sold in over 100 countries. Mitel Corporation's common shares are traded on the Toronto, Montreal, New York and London stock exchanges under the symbol MLT.

CONTACT: Nick Bell of Mitel, Inc., 407-994-8500, or Robert Dietrich of Mitel Corporation, 613-592-2122; or George Benson or Edward Osta of Coradian Corporation, 518-783-7070

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#90243p0545 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CALIF. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Hyundai Motor America

today announced that it has increased the manufacturer's suggested retail price of its vehicles an average of 2.3 percent on an equipment-adjusted basis.

The manufacturer's suggested retail price for the Excel 3-door hatchback four speed manual transmissions has been increased from $5,899 to $6,275. The Excel 4-door four speed manual transmission has been adjusted from $6,999 to $7,410.

The manufacturer's suggested retail price of the roomy, comfortable Sonata 2.4 liter five-speed manual transmission is up from $9,999 to $10,700. The 3.0 liter V-6 four-speed automatic is $12,170 compared to last year's price of $11,389.

"The price increases are slight considering the substantial product upgrades the Excel and Sonata have received for 1991," said Rod Hayden, executive vice president and chief operating officer.

The following major standard equipment was added for the 1991 model year:

Excel
--Bodycolor bumpers with black rubstrips
--Bodyside molding
--Passenger side outside mirror
--full wheelcovers
Excel GL
--Full bodycolor bumpers
--Bodycolor bodyside molding
--Bodycolor door handles
--3-spoke steering wheel
--black rocker panel molding
Excel GS
--Bodycolor door handles
Excel GLS
--Bodycolor door handles
--power steering
Sonata
--AM/FM cassette stereo with 6-speakers
--Delay-out interior lamps
--dual drink holder
--seat height adjuster
--deluxe radiator grille
--new interior
Sonata GLS
--Deluxe AM/FM ETR Cassette
--Air conditioning

Hyundai Motor America will set a milestone sales record in 1990 when its

1,000,000th vehicle will be sold in less than five years since it sold its first unit in 1986. There are currently 358 Hyundai dealers nationwide which sell the subcompact Excel and midsize Sonata in addition to its newest member, Scoupe, debuting Sept. 17 for $8,395.

CONTACT: Debbie Douglas of Hyundai Motor America, 714-965-3856

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#90243p0548 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Express, a wholly owned subsidiary of Continental Airlines, (AMEX: CTA) announced today non-stop service from Islip to Newark International Airport effective on Nov. 1. The regional airline will initiate service with six daily departures, totaling more than 1,500 available seats per week.

Tom Barber, president of the Eastern Region of Continental Express, said, "Our customers can travel in comfort on our 40-minute flight to Newark, and conveniently connect with more than 290 Continental and Continental Express departures. Continental, Continental Express and our SAS partners offer service to worldwide destinations providing our customers access to more than 100 cities, including nearly 20 international."

Continental Express will operate service between Islip and Newark with the state-of-the-art 46-passenger Aerospatile/Aeritalia ATR-42, one of the newest aircraft in its fleet. The ATR-42 is equipped with an EFIS (Electronic Flight Instrument System) cockpit similar to modern commercial jet airliners. This system is commonly referred to as a "glass cockpit" due to the replacement of some gauges and dials with computerized display screens. The aircraft cabin features overhead storage, reclining seats, inflight service, and fold down work tables for passenger comfort and convenience.

Continental Express provides advanced seat selection, one-time customer check-in and baggage handling, and OnePass frequent flyer mileage credit. The airline's pricing schedule from Islip is designed to provide customers connecting to Continental Airlines flights in Newark with money saving thru fares.

Customers departing from Islip can make quick connections to Continental Airline departures from Newark's premier terminal C. This accessible, user-friendly terminal features moving sidewalks, color flight monitors, reasonably priced food and beverages, and clean spacious waiting areas.

Systemwide, Continental Express operates to 95 cities, including four in Micronesia, has more than 820 daily departures, and is projected to enplane approximately 3.5 million customers during 1990. With an average fleet age of approximately two years, Continental Express utilizes more

than 100 modern aircraft and employs approximately 2,100 airline professionals. Continental Express maintains hub operations in Newark, Cleveland, Denver, Guam and Houston.

CONTACT: Peggy Mahoney of Continental Express, 713-853-9726

-30- 2686

#90243p0550 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) is offering film and processing for accredited photojournalists covering the 96th International Olympic Committee (IOC) session.

When they visit the company's press center located in the Prince Takanawa Hotel complex in Tokyo, each photojournalist will receive 25 rolls of Kodak Ektapress Gold films or Ektachrome professional films. Kodak will also process the Kodak color negative film within two hours and the Ektrachrome professional film within 24 hours.

"This service underscores our commitment to the professional photojournalist on a worldwide basis, as well as our dedication to the spirit of the Olympic Games," said Raymond H. DeMoulin, Kodak vice president and general manager of the Professional Photography Division.

"On-site processing facilities reinforce the standard of excellence that photographers worldwide have come to expect from Eastman Kodak Company," he added.

In addition, Kodak is providing 2,000 rolls of Kodacolor Gold film to the IOC delegates in attendance. "We want to ensure that the delegates can capture their memories as well," said Peter M. Palermo, Kodak vice president and general manager of the Consumer Imaging Division.

All delegates will also be wearing official identification badges featuring images produced on Kodak thermal printers. At recent Olympic Games, Kodak has supplied these badges to the athletes, officials, and all members of the Olympic family.

These activities extend a tradition of sponsorship that began 94 years ago in Athens, when Kodak products were first advertised in the official results book of the first modern Olympiad in 1896. Since then, Kodak has provided a wide array of support materials including cameras, film, and processing, in-kind support such as on-site diagnostic X-ray facilities, as well as financial consideration.

Kodak will serve as the official photographic consultant to the 1992 Olympic Games.

CONTACT: Paul C. Allen, corporate news services of Eastman Kodak Company, 716-724-5802

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#90243p0551 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has proposed a $62,500 civil penalty against Carolina Power & Light Co. for alleged violation of NRC requirements at the Brunswick nuclear power plant, located near Southport, N.C., about 30 miles south of Wilmington.

The NRC notified CP&L in a letter dated Aug. 30 that the fine was being proposed because of an event at the plant on July 5 during which two individuals received unplanned radiation exposures during work activities associated with the installation of new core reactivity detectors and cables in Unit 1 of the two-unit facility.

The agency said three Instrumentation and Control technicians entered a contamination control tent in the reactor building to complete modifications to the system and, during calibration of one of the probes, an activated detector and cable were removed directly out of the core into the technicians' work area. CP&L subsequently determined that no overexposure occurred, but the NRC said the event presented a potential for overexposure of personnel as the result of failure to establish adequate work procedures with necessary instructions and controls and assignment of a technician who was not provided adequate training for the job.

The NRC said the base civil penalty for this type of violation was $50,000 but that it was increased in this case because the company has received prior notice of similar events associated with work on similar systems at other plants. The NRC acknowledged that CP&L promptly notified the NRC resident inspector and took prompt and extensive corrective actions.

CP&L has 30 days from receipt of the notification to either pay the civil penalty or to protest it, in whole or in part.

CONTACT: Ken Clark of the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 404-331-4503

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PONTIAC, MICH. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) has ruled that it found no substance to charges filed against Perry Drug Stores, Inc. (NYSE: PDS) in connection with the company's hiring practices relating to its acquisition of former Revco stores.

In its ruling, the NLRB said the charges by the United Food & Commercial Workers Local 951 were "carefully investigated," but it found no evidence to support the allegations and, "consequently, the charge is hereby dismissed."

Perry, a New York Stock Exchange company headquartered in Pontiac, operates 207 drugstores in Michigan, 23 in Illinois, and several health-care businesses in Michigan under the name of ComfortCare.

CONTACT: Berl Falbaum of Perry Drug Stores, Inc., 313-334-1300

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NEW YORK (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Alexander & Alexander Services Inc. (NYSE: AAL) said today that a Baltimore court granted the company's motion to reduce the previously reported May 2 jury verdict in a case brought by a competitor against A&A's U.S. insurance broking subsidiary.

A Circuit Court judge in Baltimore City entered a judgment of $12.5 million against its subsidiary, Alexander & Alexander Inc. The judgment is $27.5 million below the $40 million in punitive damages granted by the jury in May to B. Dixon Evander, a Baltimore insurance broker.

Alexander & Alexander Inc. trial counsel William W. Cahill Jr., of the Baltimore law firm Weinberg & Green, noted, "We are heartened by the trial court's recognition of the problems with the original verdict. "However, we believe that any award of punitive damages in this case is unwarranted. This judgment will be appealed," Cahill added.

The litigation arose out of a breach of contract dispute which involved the question of entitlement to approximately $250,000 of commissions. A&A said it does not believe that the final outcome of this litigation will have a material adverse impact on its financial condition.

A&A Services Inc. is a global insurance brokerage, risk management and human resource management consulting company serving clients from offices in more than 70 countries.

CONTACT: Gary Sullivan of Alexander & Alexander Services, (212) 840-8500.

-30- 1629

#90243p0563 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHEELING, WV (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp. (NYSE: QWHX) today announced price increases for its tin mill products effective Oct. 1, 1990.

Base prices for electrolytic tinplate, tin free steel, and black plate will increase by 5.5 percent. Basis weight extras and tin coating extras will also increase by 5.5 percent.

The tin coated sheet price schedule will not change. However, competitive allowances will be reduced by $2.00 cwt. In addition to the stated increases, a number of other changes will be covered in the formal announcement to Wheeling-Pittsburgh customers.

CONTACT: R.A. Johnson of Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel, (304) 234-2440.

-30- 851

#90243p0569 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - A public meeting will be held on Sept. 6, in Henderson, Ky. to discuss the permit renewal of the Unison Transformer Services facility in Henderson, Ky., the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced today. The meeting will be held in the Assembly Room of the Henderson Municipal Building, 222 First St., beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Unison, a wholly owned subsidiary of Union Carbide Corp., is permitted under the authority of the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976 to physically separate polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) from the solvent TF-1 and to recover PCBs from contaminated silicone oil.

The permit renewal addresses all operations at the facility including a capacity increase was demonstrated by Unison on June 4-8. EPA will discuss the process modification to the Silicone Fluid Recovery Operation and review the demonstration results at the meeting.

CONTACT: Charlis Thompson of the United States Environmental Protection Agency Region IV, (404) 347-3004.

-30- 1195

#90243p0574 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, SC (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Carolina First Corporation (NASDAQ: CAFC) announced today the completion of its merger with First Federal Savings and Loan of Georgetown. This historic event is the first of its type in the history of South Carolina financial institutions.

First Federal will be a wholly-owned subsidiary of Carolina First Corporation and will continue to operate as a savings and loan under its current name. Under the terms of the agreement First Federal stockholders will receive 1.25 shares of Carolina First for each First Federal share. Almost 827,000 shares of Carolina First stock will be issued to over 500 First Federal stockholders.

Mack I. Whittle, Jr., President of Carolina First said, "This is the first merger in South Carolina between a bank holding company and a healthy thrift. First Federal's almost $12 million dollars in capital and $120 million in assets make it one of the strongest savings and loans in the state and allows us to continue to expand in a market in which we already have a presence.

"We are quite optimistic about the future of Georgetown County. After the merger the combined companies will have over $330 million in assets and $30 million in capital and have offices in Greenville and Georgetown counties which are two of the fastest growing areas in the state.

"In addition, this merger will create a financial institution which will operate a well capitalized and profitable commercial bank and savings and loan thus opening new opportunities for Carolina First to expand into other growth markets throughout the state."

According to Joseph E. Johnston, President of First Federal, "The merger with Carolina First means that First Federal will have the ability to offer new services to the residents of Georgetown County. In addition, First Federal will be able to offer a wide range of commercial banking products to our area businesses including commercial loans, trust services and cash management services.

But no matter what new products we offer, the basic philosophy of service to our customers will not change. We have operated as a local financial institution servicing the needs of our community and that will not be changing - just improving."

Carolina First Corporation is the parent of Carolina First Bank, a state-chartered bank, headquartered in Greenville and of First Federal Savings and Loan of Georgetown. Both are full-service, community-oriented financial institutions offering a broad range of commerical and consumer banking services emphasizing personalized attention to customers.

The company operates, through its subsidiaries, four offices in Greenville County and five in Georgetown County. The company was organized in 1986 following an October initial public offering of stock. Through this offering, $15 million in capital was raised, earning Carolina First the distinction of being the largest bank holding company created in South Carolina.

CONTACT: William S. Hummers, III, Carolina First Corporation, (803) 255-7900.

-30- 3272

#90243p0575 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - First Interstate Bank of California today revised its military leave policy to provide the following added benefits to employee-reservists who are called to active military duty:

- Supplemental Military Pay - An employee who is a reservist called to active duty will receive supplemental income for up to three months if military wages are less. First Interstate will reimburse the difference between an employee's military salary and their regular First Interstate base salary, subject to withholding taxes. Previously, no pay supplement was provided.

- Military Leave of Absence - The corporation said that it will now place active duty reservists on a military leave of absence and will provide them with continued access to most employee benefits without interruption.

- Vacation, Sick Leave, Vesting - Employee-reservists will continue to accrue vacation and sick leave while on active duty and being paid by First Interstate. In addition, they will continue to accumulate time for vesting in the First Interstate Retirement Plan and Savings Plan.

"It is important to us that our employee not have the added burden of financial stress while serving their country," said First Interstate Bank of California Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William E.B. Siart. "This program insures that their personal, as well as family needs are met while they are on active duty."

Siart said that the new policy will go into effect immediately and will also cover any employee already called to active duty due to the current Middle East crisis.

The new First Interstate Bank of California Military Leave policy follows the recent announcement by the bank that it would defer payments on consumer loans held by reservists while they are on active duty. Loans covered under the program include home mortgages, auto loans, student loans, credit cards and lines of credit.

First Interstate Bank of California is the principal subsidiary of First Interstate Bancorp, (NYSE: I) the nation's largest retail and business banking organization with 25 wholly owned banks in 14 states and more than 1,100 offices. First Interstate Bank of California serves customers statewide through 330 branches.

CONTACT: John Popovich, (213) 580-6678; or Ken Preston, (213) 614-3656, both of First Interstate.

-30- 2545

#90243p0586 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Bearings, Inc. (NYSE: BER) today reported lower net income for the year and fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Chairman of the board and chief executive officer George L. LaMore reported that for the year ended June 30, 1990, net income was $12,201,000, or $1.70 per share on sales of $651,271,000. Net income for the prior fiscal year was $18,313,000 or $2.45 per share on sales of $630,281,000.

A restructuring charge of $3.9 million associated with the acquisition of King Bearing, Inc. reduced fourth quarter earnings per share by $.33. Additionally, sales and operations were negatively affected during the quarter by the implementation of the company's new computer system.

LaMore reported that net income was $807,000, or $.11 per share, on sales of $164,823,000 for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990. Net income in the same quarter last year was $5,840,000 or $.79 per share on sales of $168,157,000.

Had the company not incurred the restructuring charge and the additional cost of computer implementation, earnings for the quarter would have closely approximated last year's fourth quarter earnings of $.79 and analysts' estimates for the fiscal year.

Commenting on the future, LaMore stated, "Our acquisition of King Bearing, Inc. on June 29, 1990 will strengthen the company's market position in the western and southwestern United States. With the basic functions necessary for day-to-day operations currently in place, we expect the new computer system to enhance our operational efficiency and ability to provide high quality customer service."

During the year, the company acquired 281,000 shares of its common stock pursuant to a September 1988 board authorization. The company currently has board authorization to acquire up to 252,000 additional shares of its common stock in open market and negotiated transactions, from time to time depending on market conditions.

Bearings, Inc. is the nation's leading independent distributor of bearings and power transmission components with over 350 branches in 37 states.

CONTACT: Raymond E. Smiley, vice president, treasurer and chief financial officer of Bearings, Inc., (216) 881-2838, ext. 253.

-30- 2413

#90243p0589 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Bond Brewing Holdings Limited (BBH) today announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Dimola Pty.

Ltd., has amended its offer to purchase outstanding 12-5/8 percent extendible subordinated debentures of BBH and extended the offer until midnight, New York time, on Friday, Sept. 14, 1990.

The offer, as amended, provides for the purchase by Dimola of up to 90 percent of the principal amount of debentures outstanding, for an increased purchase price, subject to, among other things, a minimum tender condition of 75 percent of the principal amount of debentures outstanding.

Pursuant to the amended offer, tendering debentureholders will receive U.S.$700 per U.S.$1,000 principal amount, consisting of payment of approximately U.S.$566 with respect to principal amount, and approximately U.S.$134 accrued interest (including interest on interest through the payment date) for the six month periods ended Nov. 30, 1989 and May 31, 1990.

Such accrued interest will be paid to both tendering and non-tendering debentureholders upon consummation of the offer. Debentures tendered pursuant to the offer may be withdrawn at any time prior to the expiration of the offer and, if not sooner purchased by Dimola pursuant to the offer, at any time after midnight, New York time, on the third business day following the expiration date.

The depositary has advised BBH and Dimola that, as of 5:00 p.m., New York time, on Thursday, Aug. 30, 1990, approximately 3.6 percent of the outstanding principal amount of debentures had been tendered to the depositary pursuant to the tender offer.

Dimola has received a formal offer of financing for the tender offer from Manchar Holdings Pty. Limited (Manchar). Pursuant to a contract entered into May 29, 1989 between Manchar and Bond Corporation Holdings Limited (BCH), the owner of 100 percent of the capital stock of BBH, Manchar will purchase, following consummation of the tender offer, in excess of 98 percent of the capital stock of BBH.

Manchar and its parent corporation, Bell Resources Ltd. (BRL), have entered into a joint venture agreement with Lion Nathan Limited (Lion Nathan) pursuant to which Manchar and Lion Nathan will each own 50 percent of the BBH stock to be acquired by Manchar from BCH, and will operate BBH's brewing businesses.

The joint venture agreement provides, among other things, for each of BRL and Lion Nathan to provide funds to Manchar to be lent by Manchar to Dimola to finance Dimola's tender offer. Each of the joint venture agreement and the offer of financing to Dimola are subject to a number of conditions precedent.

CONTACT: James Rawlings of Bond Brewing Holdings, (212) 223-4202.

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#90243p0590 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, NC (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Carolina Power & Light Company (NYSE: CPL) has donated $60,000 to the North Carolina Nature Conservancy to preserve the largest known population of an endangered plant in North Carolina. The company's grant is the first major corporate donation made to the North Carolina Nature Conservancy's $1.275 million capital fundraising initiative.

The $60,000 gift will fund the purchase of Turkey Creek, a 35-acre site near Middlesex in Nash County. This site harbors the largest known population of the Carolina least trillium, a state endangered species.

"CP&L has been a supporter of the North Carolina Nature Conservancy for almost a decade. This latest donation once again demonstrates the company's strong commitment to the environment and to the North Carolina Nature Conservancy. We commend CP&L for making this important contribution towards the protection of North Carolina's natural areas," commented Frederick Annand, Associate Director of the NC Nature Conservancy.

The diminutive least trillium ranges in height from three to six inches. The least trillium's showy white flowers appear in the early spring and turn pale pink as they mature.

The plant is known to populate just six sites in North Carolina, and is threatened with extinction throughout its range. Most species of trillium are found in the western edge of the Piedmont and throughout the mountains. However, this particular species favors the wetlands of the coastal plain.

"We support efforts to protect and preserve the environment," said Sherwood H. Smith Jr., chairman and president of CP&L. "We are pleased to be a part of the Turkey Creek project and appreciate the important work that The Nature Conservancy does in North Carolina."

Carolina Power & Light Company has a long history of support for the NC Nature Conservancy. The utility previously donated $25,000 to the Carolina Bays Preserve, located in Robeson, Hoke, and Scotland Counties.

The company's commitment to natural resources' protection was also demonstrated in a $20,000 donation made in March to the NC Natural Heritage Program. The grant will be used to support development of a computer-based inventory of environmental information throughout the state.

Funds from the NC Nature Conservancy's capital campaign will be applied to acquisition, protection, and stewardship of many natural areas, including Bluff Mountain in Ashe County; Devil's Gut on the Roanoke River in

Alexander County; Angola Creek Savanna in Pender County; Joe Mountain in Alexander County; and the Scuppernong River in Washington and Tyrrell Counties. In March 1990, an anonymous benefactor pledged to match all capital funds raised by the NC Nature Conservancy through June 30, 1991, on a dollar for dollar basis, up to $500,000.

CONTACT: Ida Phillips of the NC Nature Conservancy, (919) 967-7007, or Kyle Hampton, Carolina Power & Light, (919) 546-6189.

-30- 3147

#90243p0597 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

COEUR D'ALENE, ID (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp. (NYSE: CDE) announced today that it has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement relating to a proposed public offering of 2,000,000 shares of common stock. The offering will be made through Kidder, Peabody & Co. Inc.

Coeur is principally engaged in the exploration, development and operation of silver and gold mining properties located in Idaho, Nevada,, Alaska and Chile.

The company is the second largest primary silver producer in the United States, with a total silver production in 1989 of 5.5 million ounces and is an increasingly significant gold mining company with 1989 gold production of 93,325 ounces. Coeur is also believed to be one of the lowest cost of production primary silver mining companies in the United States.

CONTACT: James A. Sabala of Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp., (208) 667-3511.

-30- 1098

#90243p0602 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (AUG. 31) PR NEWSIRE - The board of directors of Colorado Interstate Gas Company has declared a regular quarterly dividend on its outstanding 5.50 percent series preferred stock. The dividend is payable Oct. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record Sept. 15, 1990. The dividend will be $1.3750 per share.

Colorado Interstate Gas Company is an interstate natural gas pipeline subsidiary of the Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP), a Houston-based energy holding company.

Coastal has consolidated assets of $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal, chemicals and independent power production.

CONTACT: W. F. Osterloh of Colorado Interstate Gas Company, (713) 877-6732.

-30- 964

#90243p0609 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Meadowdale Foods, Inc., The Kroger Co., (NYSE: KR) and Foodland Distributors said today they have concluded the sale of Meadowdale's retail food stores to Kroger and its wholesale operations to Foodland.

Twenty-five of Meadowdale's Great Scott! supermarkets in the Detroit metropolitan area, plus four markets under construction, will operate under the name Kroger Food Stores. The transition will begin immediately and is expected to be completed in the next several weeks. Kroger said it expects to operate the acquired stores using current Great Scott! employees.

Foodland Distributors is purchasing certain assets of Meadowdale's Abner Wolf Distributors wholesale operations, as well as four Great Scott! stores. Foodland, which currently supplies Kroger's Michigan division, plus more than 50 chain and independent retail stores in the state, will supply the newly acquired Kroger Food Stores.

CONTACT: Paul Bernish of The Kroger Co., 513-762-1304

-30- 1149

#90243p0610 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Deputy Insurance Commissioner Ronald Chronister announced today that Keystone Medical Services Inc. in Westmoreland County has been declared insolvent and ordered liquidated by Commonwealth Court.

Coverage under all Keystone contracts was ended May 31. Keystone Medical Services Inc. was an unlicensed entity which sold health insurance to less than 2,000 policyholders. The company has been prohibited from writing new business since April 1989.

Commonwealth Court's Aug. 20 order was in response to a request by the Insurance Department. Under the court order, the department will take possession of the company's assets and the commissioner will supervise the liquidation process.

On Oct. 23, 1989, the Insurance Department filed a petition in Commonwealth Court for liquidation of Keystone Medical Services Inc.

On Oct. 31, 1989, Keystone and the Insurance Department requested that Commonwealth Court stay the liquidation order. The purpose of the request

was to provide Keystone with an opportunity to raise the funds necessary to repay its liabilities and meet new Insurance Department licensing requirements.

When Keystone was unable to meet the specified requirements of the stay, the Insurance Department asked Commonwealth Court to lift the stay.

All persons having claims against Keystone Medical Services Inc. must file proof of those claims with the Pennsylvania Insurance Department's Bureau of Liquidations and Rehabilitations by Aug. 20, 1991.

All known policyholders and claimants will be mailed proof-of-claim forms, instructions for filing claims and a question-and-answer sheet explaining the liquidation process. Those with claims should complete the forms and return them immediately to the Insurance Department, Bureau of Liquidations and Rehabilitations, Strawberry Square, Harrisburg, Pa. 17120.

CONTACT: Amy Dugan or Heidi Irwin, both of the Pennsylvania Insurance Department, 717-787-3289

-30- 2156

#90243p0612 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Nestor, Inc. (NASDAQ: NEST) today announced that Sligos, SA, a financial services firm headquartered in France, has purchased an equity interest in Nestor, and has also signed a letter of intent for a commercial agreement to finance the development and licensing of certain of the company's financial products and services in Europe, using Nestor's neural network technology.

Sligos has purchased 352,064 shares of the company's Series A preferred stock, convertible into an equal number of shares of the company's common stock, representing just under 5 percent of the common stock outstanding, for $704,128, and, if a satisfactory commercial agreement can be reached, is committed to provide additional funds toward the development of new financial products and services to be marketed in Europe.

If a satisfactory commercial agreement is not reached by the parties, Sligos may require Nestor to repurchase the preferred stock, at cost, at a later date. Dr. David Fox, president and chief executive officer of Nestor, stated that he is optimistic that a commercial agreement acceptable to both sides will be concluded within the next sixty days.

CONTACT: David Fox of Nestor, 401-331-9640; or Burton Arkin of Arkin Associates, 212-935-9650, for Nestor

-30- 1473

#90243p0617 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ZANESVILLE, OH (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - William T. McConnell, president and chief executive officer of Park National Corporation (NASDAQ: PARK) of Newark, Ohio, and William A. Phillips, chairman and chief executive officer of Mutual Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: MFBZ) A Stock Corporation, of Zanesville, Ohio, have announced the completion of their merger. The merger was finalized on Aug. 31.

Shareholders of Park National Bank and Mutual Federal Savings Bank approved the merger earlier in the week. As a result of the merger, Mutual Federal shareholders will receive an aggregate of 180,000 shares of Park stock or .2086 of a Park share for each share of Mutual Federal common stock. Park National's stock is now listed on NASDAQ: under the symbol "PARK."

Phillips said, "Mutual Federal will continue to operate under its present name with its present board of directors and management as a subsidiary of Park. We will now be able to expand the products and services we offer to our customers in all the communities we serve."

McConnell said of the transaction, "We are pleased to complete our merger with Mutual Federal. The merger with Mutual Federal is a natural extension of Park's present market into six new counties in Southeastern Ohio. Mutual Federal is a profitable and well-managed institution." The two organizations have been working on the merger for over ten months.

Park National Corporation is a multi-bank holding company with assets totaling $808 million on June 30, 1990. Park's subsidiary banks are headquartered in Licking, Fairfield and Richland counties in Ohio. Mutual Federal, with assets of $296 million on June 30, 1990, is headquartered in Muskingum County and operates 10 branches in a six-county area.

CONTACT: James E. Bee, senior vice president of marketing of Mutual Federal Savings Bank, (614) 455-7288.

-30- 2044

#90243p0618 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard A. Smith, president and chief executive officer of Newcor, Inc. (AMEX: NEW), announced the following results for the third quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1990:

SALES AND EARNINGS

	Third Quarter		Nine Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$19,234,000	$28,307,000	$51,133,000	$71,892,000
Net income (loss)	742,000	1,595,000	(693,000)	2,346,000
Income (loss				

per share)	$.23	$.49	($.21)	$.72

Results for the third quarter of 1990 are in line with internal projections. Earnings per share were substantially below the all-time record earnings posted in the same period in 1989 when major assembly systems were then being completed. Third-quarter sales and earnings represent a continuation of the improved results in the second quarter ended April 30, 1990 (sales of $20.4 million and $.29 earnings per share).

The 1990 nine-month loss includes a charge of $.39 per share in the first quarter for costs to be incurred for the closedown of Newcor Canada Limited. This charge was in addition to an operating loss in the company's first quarter due to low sales of $11.5 million.

Year-to-date sales are below 1989 due to the low order backlog in Newcor's machinery segment at the start of the year. Since then, new orders and backlog have increased sharply.

The company's backlog of incomplete orders was $81.4 million at July 31, 1990, compared with $39.6 million at the start of the year and $45 million a year earlier. Incoming orders for the nine months ended July 31, 1990 increased to $92.9 million as against $54.7 million the year before due principally to machinery orders. Year-to-date orders represent a new nine-month record for the company and already exceed the level of orders normally obtained in a full year.

Record sales and earnings are anticipated in fiscal 1991 when these orders are delivered to customers.

Newcor, headquartered in Troy, designs and manufactures custom machines and manufacturing systems as well as special precision machined parts. Newcor is listed on the American Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Marjorie Edwards of Newcor, Inc., 313-643-7730

-30- 2479

#90243p0621 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Gantos, Inc. (NASDAQ: GTOS) today announced its expansion plans for fiscal 1991. The company plans to open five new stores next year and will remodel five of its existing stores as well.

The 1991 plans represent a departure from Gantos' practice of the past several years in which over 30 stores per year were opened. By the end of 1990 Gantos will be operating approximately 170 stores in 25 states.

Commenting on the scaled back plans for 1991, Gantos President L. Douglas

Gantos said, "We have grown very fast over the last few years. Now, we need to pause and fine tune our existing operation before continuing with our long-range plan. Our management resources can be best used during 1991 to more fully develop the Gantos concept at our existing stores and position ourselves for further growth."

Gantos, Inc., based in Grand Rapids, is a leading retailer of quality women's apparel. Gantos currently operates 158 stores in 23 states.

CONTACT: Michael G. Arneth, manager of investor relations, Gantos, Inc., 616-949-7000

-30- 1250

#90243p0624 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - An agreement between the Playhouse Square Foundation and the Dallas-based Wyndham Hotels & Resorts to develop the proposed $27 million, 205-room luxury hotel at Playhouse Square was announced today by representatives of the Foundation, Wyndham and the City of Cleveland.

Lawrence J. Wilker, president of Playhouse Square Foundation, and Jospeh A. Marinucci, Cleveland's director of Economic Development, applauded the entry of Wyndham, which develops, owns and manages four- star luxury hotels nationwide and in the Caribbean. Wyndham, established in 1982, owns or operates 36 hotels with 10,000 rooms, representing assets in excess of $500 million.

Stephen K. Miller, a former Clevelander and Wyndham's vice-president for development and acquisitions and its lead negotiator, said that his company had been aware of the project for several years and he welcomes the opportunity to be involved with Playhouse Square. He said that he and other Wyndham representatives had been in Cleveland for four days to evaluate the economic feasibility of the project. During that time, they met with Mayor Michael R. White, City Council members, the Playhouse Square Foundation, construction and design companies, representatives of the lending community and local hospitality consultants.

Wyndham representatives also made a site and design review of the project and determined that the exterior of the hotel will remain virtually identical to the original plans, but that there will be some interior changes.

Miller added that his company is particularly interested in the Playhouse Square project because of its successful involvement with a similar project in downtown Milwaukee. The 221-room Wyndham Milwaukee Center, which opened in mid-1988, is the cornerstone of a $100 million development located within the downtown theater district.

A contingency for Playhouse Square and Wyndham in building the Cleveland theater-district hotel, Marinucci said, will be obtaining the federal monies that had been earmarked for the project. The city today formally requested of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development a six-month extension on a $5.5 million Urban Development Action Grant (UDAG) awarded to the city to develop the triangular property at East 13th Street and Euclid Avenue.

In addition to the UDAG funds, Playhouse Square and Wyndham will seek the use of a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) package for public improvements at the site. Marinucci said that a contractual agreement must still be executed with the Wolstein/Ferro Group, owner of the Renaissance Office Tower, before the TIF financing can be finalized.

Once Playhouse Square and Wyndham have concluded its negotiations with the city, the development package will be reviewed by the Tax Abatement Commission and Cleveland City Council.

CONTACT: Alan Seifullah, 216-664-2238, Mary Rose Coburn, 216-664-2239, or Richard Hyer, 216-771-4444, all of the mayor's office

-30- 3207

#90243p0631 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today announced it will offer a choice of cash rebates or low rate financing on a wide range of new 1991 model cars and trucks during the month of September.

The cash incentives are $500 on most models, and $1,000 on two truck models. The optional low annual percentage financing rates through Chrysler Credit are: 7.9 percent from one to 48 months and 10.9 percent from 49 to 60 months. The program covers most domestically-produced vehicles except minivans, convertibles, standard-size vans and wagons, and some import models.

The $500 incentives cover: Chrysler Imperial, New Yorker Fifth Avenue and Salon, LeBaron coupe and sedan; Plymouth Acclaim, Sundance (not America model), Laser, Colt (not Vista); Dodge Daytona, Dynasty, Monaco, Spirit, Shadow (not America model), Colt (not Vista), standard-size Ram pickup, Dakota pickup; Eagle Premier and Talon; Jeep Comanche, Cherokee and Wrangler.

The $1,000 incentives apply to Dodge Ramcharger and Jeep Grand Wagoneer. All domestically-produced '91 models except minivans, convertibles, standard-size vans and wagons, Eagle Summit and the Shadow/Sundance Americas are also eligible for special lease rates under Chrysler Credit's

Gold Key Lease Program.

CONTACT: Alan Miller or Tom Jakobowski of Chrysler, (313) 956-2894.

-30- 1555

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Hoechst Celanese Corp. has purchased Hercules Incorporated's (NYSE: HPC) polypropylene cigarette filter tow technology and certain related assets.

The Hoechst Celanese acquisition includes all applicable patents and technologies and the cigarette filter tow pilot facility currently in operation at Hercules' plant at Oxford, Ga.

The purchase price will not be announced. This acquisition will be incorporated over a brief transition period into ongoing research and development activities at Hoechst Celanese's Dreyfus Research Park in Charlotte.

Hoechst Celanese, a wholly owned subsidiary of Hoechst AG of West Germany, has leading positions in chemicals, fibers, advanced materials and technologies and the life sciences.

CONTACT: James P. Allen, 704-554-2224, or Chester L. Caulder, 704-554-2025, both of Hoechst Celanese

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CHARLOTTE, NC (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - First Union Corporation (NYSE: FTU) has announced a sale-leaseback agreement involving 100 First Union bank offices in North Carolina, Georgia, and Florida.

First Union will sell the branches to an affiliate of Pitney Bowes Credit Corporation for approximately $116 million and then lease the branches back under a long-term lease agreement. This sale represents a redeployment of assets into the core banking business of First Union and will not effect the delivery of service to its markets.

The sale is expected to generate an after-tax gain of approximately $40 million, which will be recognized by First Union over the initial 20-year lease term. The gain recognized in 1991 is expected to result in net income of approximately two cents per common share.

As of June 30, 1990, First Union Corporation operated 779 bank offices in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida and Tennessee and had assets of $38.4 billion.

CONTACT: (Investors) Maggie Norris, (704) 374-4353, or (Media) Jeep Bryant (704) 374-2957 (office) or (704) 335-0415 (home), both of First Union Corporation.

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#90243p0646 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Construction of the $825-million Caroline gas project will begin as soon as possible, Shell Canada Vice President Ray Woods said today.

His announcement followed release of the decision report by the Alberta Energy Resources Conservation Board approving Shell's project design.

"We're very pleased with the decision and its promptness, considering the volume of information the ERCB had to examine," said Woods, Shell's vice president of resources development.

Shell (MONT, TRNT, VANC: SHC) has secured all its municipal development approvals, conditional on ERCB approval, and hopes to have workers and equipment in the field in October, Woods said. Timing is dependent upon receiving necessary permits from Alberta Environment and completion of agreements with working interest owners.

"We're looking forward to working with the community and the working interest owners to proceed in the most timely fashion possible," he said.

The project will employ an average workforce of some 755 people over 30 months, peaking at 1,620. Development costs are expected to reach $1 billion in as-spent dollars and the plant and field will employ about 190 people when commissioned in early 1993.

Caroline revenues of some $10 billion will generate federal and provincial taxes of $3 billion over the 30-year life of the project and provincial royalties of $2 billion.

"This is good news for Shell and for the Caroline region, but it's also good news for Alberta because 80 percent of total spending will be here and spin-off economic impact is predicted to reach $1.8 billion over the life of the construction project," Woods said.

"No project has faced a more exhaustive review process," he said. "Shell supports that process and we're very pleased with the results."

"We've been working with area residents for more than two years and we intend to continue working with them through the construction period and over the life of the project," Woods said.

Caroline is about 140 km northwest of Calgary. The project will include a new gas processing plant 14 km south of Caroline. An underground, liquid-sulfur pipeline will carry sulfur from the plant to new forming facilities on the existing Canadian Pacific rail line, 44 km south of the plant site.

CONTACT: Wayne Stewart, of Shell Canada Limited, 403-232-2691

-30- 2572

#90243p0650 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Dean L. Hahn, president of Hawkins Chemical, Inc. announced today sales and earnings for the three- month and nine-month periods ended June 30, 1990. Sales for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $18,972,336, up $5,862,103 from the comparable period last year. Net income for the quarter was $948,131, a decrease of $31,604 for the comparable period one year ago. Nine-month results show a 39 percent increase in sales and a 7 percent increase in earnings. The major reason for the sales increase is the inclusion of Tessman Seed, Inc. acquired by the company as of Oct. 1, 1989. Income per share was $.30 compared to $.29 for the comparable nine-month period a year ago.

CONTACT: Roger Ottem of Hawkins Chemical, 612-331-6910

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#90243p0651 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

LUMBERTON, NC (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SNAT) announced today it has completed its acquisition of Western Carolina Savings and Loan of Valdese and Mutual Federal Savings and Loan of Elkin (NASDAQ-NMS: MUTU), two strong savings and loan companies that give the $3.1 billion bank-holding company entry into new markets in western North Carolina.

Merger of the two S&Ls were consummated Aug. 31 following the approval of the company's shareholders two weeks ago. Western Carolina and Mutual Federal will retain their identities and continue to operate under their own boards. There will be no interruption of service or inconvenience to customers.

"Their customers will notice very little difference," said Southern National Chairman Hector MacLean. "Both S&Ls will continue to operate as they always have. We are planning, however, to expand their offering with the introduction of some of Southern National's more compatible products and services."

Western Carolina, with offices in Morganton and Hildebran, has

approximately $90 million in assets. Mutual Federal joins Southern National with approximately $130 million in assets with branches in Yadkinville and Dobson.

CONTACT: Bob Denham, Public Relations, Southern National Corporation, (919) 671-2427.

-30- 1502

#90243p0659 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) has informed employees of the Tempo and Topaz assembly system at its Kansas City (Mo.) Assembly Plant and its Kentucky Truck Plant that they will be idled the week of Sept. 10. The downtime is necessitated by a shortage of dealer orders.

The Tempo and Topaz assembly system employs approximately 2,300 hourly personnel on two shifts and builds about 4,000 cars a week. Kentucky Truck employs approximately 1,900 hourly personnel on one shift and builds about 1,100 medium and heavy duty trucks per week.

CONTACT: Joel Pitcoff, (313) 337-3753, or June Larsen, (313) 337-3755, both of Ford.

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#90243p0660 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON, DC (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) said today it should be awarded a new route between Atlanta and Manchester, England, because of its ability to provide online service to large numbers of travelers, and because an award to the Southeast would provide balance to the service pattern to this important market.

Delta's comments were part of written testimony filed with the U.S. Department of Transportation in the United States - United Kingdom Regional Airport Service Proceeding. The U.S. is allowed to designate two additional carriers to Manchester under a bilateral agreement signed with the United Kingdom earlier this year.

In his testimony Delta's Executive Vice President - Marketing and Stations Whit Hawkins said, "Our Atlanta hub is one of the largest in the world and will afford the greatest number of online passengers the travel flexibility that can be achieved only by concentrating U. K service at the same large hub.

"Delta's route network greatly enhances its ability to operate successfully in development of international routes, such as the Manchester route," Hawkins added.

"We believe that the convenience of a routing between this rapidly developing area of the U.K. and Delta's network through its primary (Atlanta) hub, together with Delta's marketing, service quality, and well-established reputation, will assure the route's success."

In its testimony, Delta outlined plans to operate daily service to Manchester using Boeing 767-332ER equipment on the flight. The 218-passenger plane features coach, business, and first class seating and currently is the newest plane in Delta's fleet of 435-plus jets. A wide range of fares and travel packages would be available for travelers in this market.

A major world airline, Delta operates more than 2,400 flights each day with service to eight cities in Europe and four in Asia. In addition, Delta has applications pending for new service to an additional eight European cities from its Atlanta hub, as well as applications pending for improved service across the Pacific.

CONTACT: Delta Air Lines public relations, (404) 765-2531.

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#90243p0665 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific Software-Intercomp Inc. (NASDAQ: SSFT) has announced that effective Sept. 1, 1990, Dr. R.C. McFarlane has resigned his position as president, chief operating officer and director of the Denver-based supplier of proprietary software and consulting services.

McFarlane, who intends to pursue certain personal interests, will continue to provide substantial consulting services to the company. Dr. E.A. Breitenbach, one of the founders of the company and chairman of the board and chief executive officer, will assume the positions of president and chief operating officer effective Sept. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: E.A. Breitenbach of Scientific Software-Intercomp Inc., (303) 292-1111.

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#90243p0671 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Harry J. Gray, chairman and chief executive officer of American Medical Holdings Inc. (AMEX: AMI) announced today that James F. Lyons, president of American Medical International Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of American Medical Holdings Inc., has also been appointed chief operating officer. John J. Silver Jr. has resigned as American Medical International's executive vice president and

chief operating officer to pursue other business opportunities.

Gray also announced the election of two new executive vice presidents of American Medical International, including W. Randolph Smith, formerly senior vice president - chief administrative officer, and David Finkel, formerly senior vice president - operations. R. Jeffrey Taylor will continue as executive vice president, with expanded responsibilities, Gray stated. "Together, these executives have more than 40 years experience in all phases of the hospital management field."

According to Gray, each of the new appointments will have the responsibility of overseeing distinct groups of American Medical Holdings' domestic acute care hospitals. Taylor will be responsible for the company's hospitals in Alabama, California, Colorado and Nebraska; Smith for the hospitals in Arkansas, Indiana, Louisiana, Missouri and Texas; and Finkel the hospitals in Georgia, Florida, North Carolina and South Carolina. Each of the new appointments will operate out of the company's Dallas Service Center.

American Medical Holdings Inc. and its affiliates, which founded the investor-owned hospital industry in 1960, currently operates 50 hospitals in the United States including 46 acute care hospitals and four psychiatric hospitals.

CONTACT: Don Galletly of American Medical International, 214-360-6321

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#90243p0674 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Campeau Corporation today announced that the Edward J. DeBartolo Corporation (EJDC) has agreed to extend to Sept. 10, 1990, a previously signed agreement whereby EJDC will not exercise remedies against certain collateral as a result of defaults arising under loan agreements with the corporation without first giving nine days notice to Campeau Corporation.

The previously signed agreement expired Aug. 31, 1990. A similar agreement remains in effect with two subsidiaries of Olympia & York Developments Limited.

CONTACT: Richard W. Wertheim of Wertheim Howe & Company, (416) 594-1600 or (416) 276-6612, for Campeau.

-30- 832

#90243p0677 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Saztec International (NASDAQ: SAZZ) of Kansas City, a world leader in information technology, announced

today the results for the fiscal year 1990.

For the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, Saztec reports revenue of $16,289,308 which was a decrease in revenue from $19,030,090 for the year ended June 30, 1989. The net loss was $598,518, which compares to income of $1,028,045 for the previous year. Earnings per share decreased to a 17 cent loss versus income of 30 cents for the like period last year.

The primary factors contributing to the year-end downturn in profitability include a loss on a 1986 investment in a leveraged lease of $414,400, resulting in a loss from continuing operations of $336,200; and a loss from the company's discontinued hardware division of $262,400.

Other factors associated with the year-end downturn include a delay in revenue from telephone utility contracts and a continued investment in the Information Conversion Express (ICE)(SM) network.

"Last year was a transitional year for Saztec International. The company discontinued its hardware division and focused on product development and expansion through acquisition. Saztec is starting Fiscal 1991 with a clean slate. We are already seeing a significant increase in revenue, primarily from the telephone industry, in the first quarter of fiscal year 1991," said Thomas L. Reed, chairman and chief executive officer.

"When a company is in a growth stage such as Saztec is in, quarter-to-quarter volatility is expected. Though Saztec experienced short term losses in both the third and fourth quarters of fiscal year 1990, the company will see long-term gains in profitability resulting from the actions taken this past fiscal year," said Reed.

Saztec, an international leader in the use of computer technology, provides comprehensive services to convert information for use on computer systems.

CONTACT: David Roberts of Saztec International, (816) 483-6900.

-30- 2204

#90243p0678 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - With the landing of Lufthansa's cargo flight 4450 on Sept. 1, Lufthansa will have transferred its Alaska operations from Anchorage to Fairbanks International Airport.

The German national airline will operate 12 weekly cargo services between Germany and the Far East with the Fairbanks stopover. All services are provided with Boeing 747 freighters, which have a special meaning to Lufthansa - it was the 'launch' customer of the aircraft back in 1972.

Lufthansa has been serving the State of Alaska since 1964. In 1989 passenger service was dropped after the airline received permission for overflights over the USSR on its route between Germany and the Far East coinciding with the introduction of the Boeing 747-400 series of aircraft.

Lufthansa officials working in cooperation with the Fairbanks Industrial Development Corp. decided that a Fairbanks stopover enroute Europe and Asia would reduce flying time and therefore permit more cargo to be carried on the route since fuel consumption would be reduced. The Fairbanks operations of Lufthansa will be headed by Wilhelm Hinrichs, who has been a Lufthansa employee since 1958.

Lufthansa is currently the largest international air cargo carrier. The airliner employs nearly 60,000 people and provides passenger and cargo service to 85 nations around the world.

CONTACT: Joseph Zucker of Lufthansa, (213) 683-4888.

-30- 1604

#90243p0698 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRMONT, WV (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Electronic Control Systems Inc. ("ECS") announced today that Control Techniques ("CT") of the United Kingdom has agreed that by Sept. 5, 1990, it will make a merger proposal for ECS.

The proposal would be at a per share price of $2.43 subject to a downward adjustment for expenses not to exceed five cents per share. The merger proposal would be subject, among other conditions, to satisfactory completion by CT of due diligence inquiries and an environmental audit of ECS. The merger proposal, if accepted by the board of ECS, would require approval by the shareholders of ECS.

Certain shareholders (and related interests) who are directors and officers of ECS have entered into option agreements with CT giving CT the right to purchase their shares (which represent apprpoximately 49.0 percent of outstanding shares of ECS) for $2.43 per share.

The options expire on Sept. 5, 1990. However, if CT makes a merger proposal to ECS by Sept. 5, 1990, the options will be extended until Sept. 28, 1990, to enable due diligence inquiries to be completed and a merger agreement to be executed.

In the event that CT and ECS sign a merger agreement by Sept. 28, 1990, the options will be automatically extended until March 31, 1991 (unless the merger agreement is terminated earlier).

The failure of the parties to negotiate or execute a definitive merger

agreement providing for the purchase of all of the company's shares will not affect CT's right to purchase the shares subject to the option agreements.

Michael Basile, president, said that CT required these shareholders to enter into the option agreements as a precondition of CT's willingness to consider an overall merger proposal for ECS.

CT has said that "the acquisition of ECS would be our first move into the U.S.A. market for Control Techniques' process control division. The geographical and product fit is excellent and provides exciting future prospects. It would be our intention to continue to operate the company from its Fairmont location, and to expand the business."

CT has also agreed that in the event that it exercises its option or acquires ECS in a merger, it will enter into a one-year consulting agreement with Basile and Leo F. Modi, secretary/treasurer of ECS, two founders of ECS. The consulting agreements provide for such individuals to give advice in connection with the management of ECS.

Basile said that he felt a merger with CT was in the interests of all of the shareholders and that having CT involved in the business of ECS would be in the best interest of the company and its employees because of the size and business operations of CT.

CT is a manufacturer of motion control, process control and automation products, having subsidiary companies in the United States, Europe and the Far East.

CONTACT: Michael Basile, president of Electronic Control Systems, (304) 363-8690.

-30- 3152
#90243p0701 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CALIF. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - CNet Technology Inc. announced that it has signed an agreement with High Technology Distributing of Van Nuys, Calif. to distribute CNet's line of local area networking (LAN) products.

"CNet has decided to fine-tune its channel to better serve our growing customer base," commented David Bergener, product marketing manager at CNet. "Additionally, we are focusing sales and marketing resources on those distributors who can most effectively bring our products to market."

"In Southern California, High Technology Distributing is the distributor of choice," said Perry Solomon, president and CEO of High Technology Distributing. "We are a super-regional distributor serving

business-electronics dealers, value-added resellers, system integrators, department store chains and office-supply retailers.

"High Technology Distributing has decided to distribute CNet's products because of its technical achievement and growing market presence," added Solomon. "We will be showing the entire CNet line at the Business Electronics Expo in Southern California in October."

CNet Technology Inc. designs, develops, manufactures and markets a complete line of local area network (LAN), wide area network (WAN), data communications and microcomputer products. Founded in 1987, CNet Technology Inc. is a privately held corporation located in San Jose.

CONTACT: David Bergener of CNet Technology, 408-954-8000

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#90243p0702 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, IL (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank Building and Equipment Corp. of America, St. Louis, has announced the sale of certain of the company's assets to First Financial Building Corp., Arlington Heights, Ill. The purchased price was not disclosed.

Bank Building is a nationwide service organization engaged in consulting, planning, design and construction services for custom single-purpose facilities for the financial and medical markets through its Financial Facilities and Financial Research Associates divisions, and its Modular Buildings, Inc. (MBI) subsidiary.

First Financial Building Corp., a newly formed, privately held Illinois corporation, will purchase the contracts and businesses of the consulting, architectural design and construction activities of the Financial Facilities and Financial Research Associates divisions and MBI subsidiary. The sale is subject to court approval, according to the announcement.

The company also announced that John T. Golitz had resigned as Bank Building's president and chief executive officer to form the new corporation. Golitz, an entrepreneur, has over 33 years of management experience in the manufacturing and distribution of products for the construction industry. He has been president and chief executive officer of his own, privately held company since 1973. Golitz joined Bank Building in December 1989.

Golitz said that the corporate offices for the new company will be located in Arlington Heights, Ill., a suburb of Chicago. "The management, consulting, design, construction and marketing t eams will remain intact at the new company," he said. "We will begin with a team of 88 professionals and support people at our four regional offices in St. Louis

Mo.; Hartford, Conn.; Atlanta; and Clearwater, Fla."

He added that the company anticipates opening a western divisional office in California in the near future.

CONTACT: John U. Baker or David Roycroft of the Delos Company, (708) 634-4505, for First Financial Building Corp.

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#90243p0708 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Bechtel announced today that its Houston office has been awarded a contract to expand a $140 million petroleum coke/sulfur recovery facility for Conoco Inc.

Bechtel will provide engineering, procurement and construction services for the refinery project, located in Billings, Mont.

The assignment involves installing a new delayed coker unit to produce petroleum coke, a coal-like substance that's used as a fuel. The job also includes the revamp of several other units, including wastewater treatment and sulfur removal facilities. The addition will reduce the refinery's sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide emissions.

Project engineering and procurement employment in Bechtel's Houston office will reach 200 during the course of the assignment. Peak construction workforce at the jobsite in Billings will exceed 500.

Conoco, a subsidiary of DuPont, is headquartered in Houston. Bechtel Corp. and Bechtel Construction Co., both entities of Bechtel Group Inc. have major offices in Houston.

CONTACT: Larry Miller of Bechtel Group Inc., 415-768-6144

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#90243p0709 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

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CONTACT: John U. Baker or David Roycroft of the Delos Company, 708-634-4505, for First Financial Building Corp.

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#90243p0710 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
WAUKEGAN, ILL. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to the industry-wide slump in marine products sales that has continued through the summer months, Outboard Marine Corp. (OMC) (NYSE: OM) today announced additional restructuring plans designed to achieve cost savings.

OMC said the restructuring of its operating units undertaken in the 1990 fiscal year could reduce future costs by as much as $43 million annuallly.
The company also said charges resulting from those restructuring actions plus other one-time charges, will total approximately $47.5 million for the company's 1990 fiscal year, which ends Sept. 30. OMC said approximately $33 million of the charges would be taken in the comany's fourth quarter.

"We are committed to making the structural changes in our operations that are necessary to return OMC to profitability," said OMC President and Chief Executive Officer James C. Chapman. "Earlier this year, we began to implement a program to reduce costs and enhance the efficiency of our operations," Chapman said. "The actions we have initiated so far this

quarter continue that program of structural change."

Chapman said that OMC is initiating a series of fourth quarter facility closings and transfers of manufacturing operations, including the closing of OMC's three Top of the Dock retail shoping mall outlets. In addition, he said, OMC was beginning the process of closing three U.S. boat manufacturing plants and an office facility, as well as the company's Australian outboard motor assembly plant.

According to Chapman, OMC will continue to sell the line of nautical fashion apparel that was carried in the Top of the Dock stores through OMC's Four Winns boat dealerships and a catalog sales operation. The boat manufacturing operations conducted in the plants scheduled to be closed will be consolidated into other OMC boat plants, he said. Chapman also said OMC will supply its Australian dealers with outboards produced in the U.S. and other countries. He added that OMC would maintain its Australian marketing, administrative and boat building operations.

Chapman said the fourth quarter charges for these restructuring actions would total approximately $17.0 million. Earlier in the year, OMC incurred charges of $5.3 million to close one of its U.S. outboard motor assembly plants, restructure other manufacturing operations and provide for severance benefits resulting from a staff reduction program. OMC has reduced its salaried work force by approximately 16 percent, or 600 jobs, since the start of the company's fiscal year last Oct. 1.

Outboard Marine Corp. is a leading international marketer of marine engines, boats, accessories and services.

CONTACT: Ronald C. Kuykendall of Outboard Marine Corp., 708-689-5642

-30- 2969

#90243p0711 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMAS, WASH. (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The Washington State Department of Ecology has fined the James River Corp., Camas, $25,000 for wastewater discharge violations stemming from sulfuric acid and sodium hydroxide spills during May and June 1990.

The company was penalized for allowing the pH in Blue Creek, a body of water that flows in a tunnel under the mill, to drop below and exceed the limits contained in the facility's wastewater discharge permit. pH measures the degree of acidity or alkalinity of a solution (pH values from 0 to 7 indicate acidity, and from 7 to 14 indicate aklalinity).

According to Ecology's enforcemet action, the pH of Blue Creek, dropped below 4.0 for 55 minutes to a minimum pH of 3.3 on May 4. The problem was caused by a sulfuric acid spill in a sump pump.

During June sodium hydroxide leaked from a cracked concrete trench and sump pump pipe connections resulting in increased pH levels:

- On June 9, the pH was above 8.5 for 24 hours to a maximum of 10.0.
- On June 12, the pH exceeded 8.5 for six hours.
- On June 13, the pH exceeded 8.5 for two hours.

The company corrected the problem causing the spills on June 8. Although water that is above or below the pH limits set by Ecology can be harmful to fish and other aquatic organisms, no environmental damage resulted from the spills.

The penalty was issued Aug. 17. The company may appeal the fine to Ecology and/or the state Pollution Control Hearings Board.

Ecology is currently in the process of reissuing a new five-year wastewater discharge permit for the mill. A public meeting and hearing regarding the new permit will be held on Oct. 11 at the Clark County PUD, 89 "C" Street, Washougal, Wash., beginning at 6:30 p.m.

CONTACT: Dan Radonski, environmental engineer, Ron Holcomb, information officer, 206-459-6149, both of the Washington State Department of Ecology

-30- 2070

#90243p0722 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed Atlanta Federal Savings & Loan Association, Atlanta, Texas in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, Atlanta Federal Savings Association, will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift, and will operate in conservatorship under the management of the Resolution Trust Corp.

The takeover did not result in any interruption of Atlanta Federal's day-to-day operations. The institution and its one branch in Hughes Springs will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action, which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

OTS initiated the action because Atlanta Federal was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition, including having insufficient capital, with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

Atlanta Federal's condition is due primarily to poor asset quality. Assets classified as substandard, doubtful or loss grew from $3.99 million as of Dec. 31, 1987, to $16.19 million by Dec. 31, 1989, including $8.4 million in repossessed land and income property. There was also inadequate managerial oversight of loan underwriting policies and procedures, with no written collection policies. Delinquencies were not seriously pursued.

Atlanta Federal is insolvent in that it has negative tangible capital. As of June 30, 1990, Atlanta Federal reported assets of $89.4 million, liabilities of $90.5 million and tangible capital of negative $1.13 million, for a tangible capital-to-asset ratio of negative 1.26

CONTACT: Allen Dermody, 214-541-8534, or Tom Mason, 202-906-6677, both of the Office of Thrift Supervision

-30- 2069

#90243p0738 08/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (AUG. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - AMDURA Corp. (NYSE: ADU) today announced that it had received a bid for certain operating assets of its AMDURA National Distribution Co. (ANDCO) from United Hardware Distributing Co. The bid has been qualified and will be submitted to the Bankruptcy Court next week. The all-cash bid is subject to various closing conditions and Bankruptcy Court approval.

Under the terms of the bid, United Hardware would acquire ANDCO's inventory and its distribution center in Milbank, S.D.

The bid was submitted under procedures established by the Bankruptcy Court in response to a proposed sale of the ANDCO assets to OUR OWN Hardware. The motion for sale to OUR OWN was filed with the Court in early August. The bidding process provided that other interested parties could submit "higher or better" bids.

A Bankruptcy Court hearing on the sale is scheduled for Sept. 7, 1990. At that time, all qualified bidders may submit "higher or better bids" as provided for by the bidding process. The sale requires Court approval.

AMDURA Corp. and AMDURA National Distribution Co. filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code on April 2, 1990. AMDURA announced that it would solicit bids for its distribution businesses on April 16, 1990.

United Hardware Distributing Co. and OUR OWN Hardware are both Minneapolis Minnesota-based, dealer-owned hardware cooperatives.

CONTACT: D. Scott Ross of AMDURA, 303-377-8400 or 612-699-7700

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#90243t0703 08/31/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (AUG. 31) TASS - THE SOVIET UNION HAS GREAT POTENTIAL FOR EXPORTING VINTAGE WINES, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE UNION MAGARACH RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF VITICULTURE PROFESSOR GERMAN VALUIKO TOLD TASS IN CONNECTION WITH THE 70TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE INTERNATIONAL WINE AND VINE OFFICE THAT OPENS ON SEPTEMBER 2 IN YALTA.

THE PROBLEM IS THAT WESTERNERS KNOW VERY LITTLE ABOUT SOVIET WINES. FOREIGN CUSTOMERS HAVE ACTUALLY TASTED ONLY SOVIET SPARKLING WINE AND TWO OR THREE KINDS OF MOLDAVIAN AND GEORGIAN TABLE WINES, THE PROFESSOR SAID.

HE REFERRED TO THE LONDON SOTHEBY'S AUCTION IN APRIL, 1990 AS THE FIRST MAJOR SALE OF WINES FROM THE FAMOUS MASSANDRA WINE REGION. OVER ONE BILLION U.S. DOLLARS WAS MADE AT THE AUCTION. WESTERN PARTNERS BECAME INTERESTED IN THE MASSANDRA AGED WINES THAT HAVE EARNED 148 GOLD AND SILVER MEDALS AND TWO GRAND PRIZES AT EXHIBITIONS AND FAIRS OVER 50 YEARS.

PROFESSOR VALUIKO RECALLED THE HYGIENIC, NUTRITIONAL AND HEALTH GIVING QUALITIES OF GRAPE WINES.

SOVIET WINE-MAKERS NOW FACE THE NEED TO ENTER THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET. IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO DEVISE ABORIGINAL NAMES FOR MADEIRA, PORT AND SHERRY WINES PRODUCED IN THE SOVIET UNION AFTER THE AGREEMENT ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY IS SIGNED BY THE USSR.

SOME NEW WINES HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED. MOLDAVIAN ROSHU DE PURKAR AND ROMANESHTY, CRIMEAN CABERNET ABRAU DURSO, RIZLING ALKADAIR AND WHITE ZOLOTAYA BALKA ARE AMONG THESE.

"WE HOPE," VALUIKO SAID, "THAT THE BALTIC REPUBLICS, THE UKRAINE AND BYELORUSSIA WILL RESTORE THE PRODUCTION OF REMARKABLE FRUIT WINES, INCLUDING APPLE, RASPBERRY AND BLACKBERRY WINES."

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MOSCOW (AUG. 31) TASS - THE SCALE OF ILLEGAL AMBER MINING IN THE SOVIET UNION HAS GROWN DRAMATICALLY THIS YEAR AFTER BLACK- MARKET PRICES INCREASED BY ALMOST 20 TIMES, THE TRADE UNION DAILY TRUD REPORTS TODAY.

IT IDENTIFIES A POORLY GUARDED QUARRY OUTSIDE THE VILLAGE OF YANTARNY NEAR KALINGRAD, ON THE BALTIC COAST, AS THE FOCAL POINT OF THE TROUBLE.

MORE THAN 300 THIEVES HAVE BEEN DETAINED THIS YEAR IN THE AREA, CALLED AN "AMBER KLONDIKE" BY THE NEWSPAPER, BUT, TRUD SAYS, THIS IS JUST FIVE OR TEN PER CENT OF THE OVERALL NUMBER OF ILLICIT AMBER MINERS OPERATING THERE.

THEIR SHADOWY TRADE IS SO PROFITABLE THAT SOME LOCAL PEOPLE HAVE GIVEN UP THEIR REGULAR JOBS IN FAVOUR OF IT, THE NEWSPAPER REPORTS. IT EXPLAINS THAT THE BLACK-MARKET PRICE OF A KILOGRAM OF AMBER WENT UP TO 2,000 ROUBLES FROM 300 ROUBLES LAST SPRING AND IS NOW NEARING 5,000 ROUBLES.

TRUD ADDS THAT FIVE ILLICIT MINERS DIED THIS YEAR AFTER CAVE- INS IN THE TUNNELS THEY HAD DUG. THE EXTORTION RACKET TARGETTING SUCH MINERS IS ALSO GROWING, AND POLICE HAVE ALREADY APPREHENDED SEVERAL CRIMINAL GANGS SPECIALISING IN IT.

IT SAYS THAT THE SIZE OF ILLEGAL AMBER PRODUCTION IS HARD TO ESTIMATE, BUT AT LEAST 12 MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF AMBER ARE CURRENTLY SMUGGLED OUT OF THE COUNTRY EVERY YEAR.

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(AUG. 31) UPI - President Bush says he wants the other nations of the world to produce some cash to back up their support of the U-S-led effort to force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. On Thursday, Bush announced that he is sending Secretary of State Baker and Treasury Secretary Brady on a multi-nation trip to drum up contributions to defray the costs of the operation. The Pentagon estimates that Operation Desert Shield will cost 46-Million dollars a day through the end of September.

NASA says it will be at least Wednesday before the shuttle Columbia gets off the ground. A mysterious glitch in one of the ship's four telescopes forced space agency officials Thursday night to postpone Saturday's scheduled launch while engineers fix the problem. Columbia and its 10-day astronomy mission already is three months behind schedule because of a hydrogen fuel leak.

A key roadblock to a German unification pact was removed Thursday night. The Bonn government and the main opposition party agreed that for the next two years, abortion will remain legal in East Germany and illegal in West Germany. The two German governments are to initial the treaty Friday morning in Bonn, before signing it later in the day in East Berlin. The document must still be ratified by both parliaments. Unification is set to take place October 3rd.

Some Mohawk negotiators blame Thursday night's sudden collapse of talks with the Quebec government on a clash between tribal factions. And they fear an assault by Canadian troops at barricades around two reserves. Earlier, talks between the Indians and government appeared promising... with negotiators apparently settled on a framework agreement during a marathon session that ended early Thursday. The dispute arose several months ago over a proposed expansion of a golf course on land the Mohawks

claim is an ancient burial ground.

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#90243u0138 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - Imperial County, California, was jolted Thursday night by a small earthquake and a light aftershock. Officials report NO injuries or damage. The quake registered three-point-six on the Richter scale. The aftershock 18 minutes later measured three-point-oh. Both were centered 41 miles northwest of El Centro, 160 miles from Los Angeles.

The National Safe Workplace Institute says many U-S companies evade laws protecting workers from on-the-job hazards by exporting work to Mexico. The Institute's annual Labor Day report on workplace hazards says there is little regulation of working conditions in Mexico... where many U-S-owned assembly plants sprung up in the 1980's. The report suggested that the problem could be solved by legislation requiring all goods sold ''

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#90243u0194 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar faces his toughest mission yet when he meets Friday in Amman, Jordan, with Iraq's foreign minister. Perez de Cuellar says he's ''hopeful'' a peaceful outcome to the Persian Gulf crisis can be reached, but denies bringing any blueprint to solve it. The 70-year-old Peruvian diplomat has a reputation as a low-keyed, but successful peacemaker.

Documents show that pro-Israeli political action committees pour hundreds of thousands of dollars into congressional campaigns... practically driving pro-Arab PACs out of the influence game. In the current election cycle beginning January 1st, 1989, and going to the end of July, PACs promoting Israeli issues contributed nearly two-and-one- half-Million dollars to candidates for election in both the House and Senate. During the same period, PACs supporting Arab or Moslem concerns gave just 29-hundred-50 dollars. The figures come from reports filed by the PACs and compiled by the Federal Election Commission.

Official sources in Lebanon say the pro-Syrian government of President Elias Hrawi have given rebel army commander General Michel Aoun a 10-day ultimatum. The sources say Aoun has until September 9th to end his rebellion and join the legitimate government... or Hrawi will use military force. The Christian general has refused to relinquish power to Hrawi and leave the presidential palace five miles southeast of Beirut.

Representatives from Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua are meeting Thursday and Friday in Managua. They are hoping to extend the regional co-operation agreements that have recently worked at

forging peace and economic accords to the issue of drug trafficking. Officials at the meeting agree that the region is beginning to fight its reputation as a bridge between South American drug producers and U-S consumers.

-30- 2074

#90243u0377 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Talks between the government of Quebec and Mohawk Indians collapsed suddenly yesterday. Quebec Premier Robert Bourassa says the Indians withdrew their delegates. An Indian negotiator says the Mohawks are NOT making unreasonable demands. The suspension raises fears that Canada might use force against the Indians.

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The dispute centers on a planned golf course expansion on land the Indians say is an ancient burial ground.

Diplomatic sources say an interim government has been selected in an attempt to end Liberia's civil war. The provisional government is to rule until elections can be held in one year. The sources say negotiators believe a peacekeeping force in Liberia will soon be in full control of the country.

Former New York State Senator Vander Beatty was shot and killed yesterday in Brooklyn. Beatty was once convicted of forgery and election fraud. The gunman fled from the scene of the shooting. In the Bronx, assistant District Attorney Sean Healy was shot and killed in a grocery. A man turned himself in to police last night in the Bronx shooting.

A federal appeals court has thrown out singer Wayne Newton's five-Million-dollar libel judgment against N-B-C. The court said the evidence failed to show any malice toward Newton. The case involved two N-B-C news stories that suggested mob figures had hidden interests in Newton's purchase of a Las Vegas hotel.

Three corporations have withdrawn sponsorship of a governors' golf match at an all-white country club in Natchez, Mississippi. The event will be cancelled. The match was planned as part of the Southern Governors' Association meeting next month. The club says it has NO black members, but does NOT discriminate.

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#90243u0477 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AUG. 31) UPI - Engineers backed out of the hard-luck shuttle Columbia's interrupted countdown Friday with launch

delayed from Saturday to the middle of next week or later because of trouble with an on-board telescope.

With Columbia already running three months late because of a fuel leak, NASA managers did not know when the veteran spaceplane's seven-man crew might be cleared for another launch attempt, saying only that the mission was on hold for ''several days.''

But space agency officials said liquid oxygen and explosive hydrogen would have to be drained from on-board fuel tanks and that it would take until Saturday at the earliest to even begin repairs.

Assuming engineers can easily fix the trouble with Columbia's Broad Band X-ray Telescope, or BBXRT, the hydrogen and oxygen would have to be reloaded during another countdown next week.

''We're scrubbed to no earlier than Wednesday,'' said NASA spokesman Bruce Buckingham.

Officials said the midweek target data depended on a relatively quick fix and that if more extensive repairs were needed, Columbia could be grounded until next weekend.

In the meantime, the shuttle Discovery will be hauled to nearby launch pad 39B Sunday for work to ready the orbiter for blastoff Oct. 5 on a high-priority flight to carry the Ulysses solar probe into space.

The launch delay undoubtedly was a major disappointment to Columbia's astronauts, who came within six hours of blastoff May 29 only to be grounded by a fuel leak, and to the hundreds of engineers and technicians who were working around the clock to resume shuttle flights after a four-month hiatus.

But NASA managers, who have endured a summer of harsh criticism over problems with the Hubble Space Telescope and the shuttle program, opted to play it safe and to launch Columbia with a fully operational $150 million cargo of four high-tech telescopes.

At the same time, they ordered engineers to replace a faulty gauge in the shuttle's crew module, used to measure the ship's acceleration, that likely would have delayed launch a day or so regardless of the telescope problem.

Commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, Robert Parker, 53, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46, presumably took news of the delay in stride, but their reaction was not immediately available.

Columbia had been on track for blastoff at 1:17 a.m. EDT Saturday, the first shuttle mission since April after a disappointing summer of fuel leaks that grounded the shuttle fleet.

But overnight Wednesday, engineers at launch pad 39A ran into problems with the Broad Band X-ray Telescope, one of four astronomical instruments mounted in Columbia's payload bay.

Data from the high-tech telescope was interrupted and then lost when Columbia's left-hand payload bay door was closed for launch Wednesday, prompting speculation a cable had somehow been damaged.

But tests to make sure the telescope's data transmission system would work properly in space were not successful. Buckingham said engineers later traced the trouble to an electronic ''black box'' in the shuttle's payload bay.

Reviewing test data, NASA managers decided to put the 36th shuttle flight on hold when it became clear repairs would take until the middle of next week to complete.

Because of a requirement for three weeks between shuttle missions, Columbia must be off the launch pad by around Sept. 14 or the flight likely will be delayed until after the Ulysses flight.

Columbia's launch originally was planned for May 30, but the flight was delayed the night before by a hydrogen leak in the ship's 17-inch- wide ''disconnect'' fitting, a massive connector that allows the shuttle's external tank to be jettisoned in space.

Columbia's disconnect was replaced with one taken from the new shuttle Endeavour and, after Atlantis was grounded by a similar leak in July, Brand and his colleagues were cleared for another launch try this week.

After extensive tests, engineers blamed Columbia's leak on tiny glass beads that somehow got inside the disconnect fitting and scratched critical seals. Whether a similar problem crippled Atlantis remains to be seen, but engineers said they were confident Columbia is leak-free.

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(AUG. 31) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	75	54	.581	-	37-27	38-27	5-5	W-1
New York	73	55	.570	1 1/2	43-22	30-33	5-5	W-3

Montreal	67	62	.519	8	36-26	31-36	5-5	L-1
Chicago	61	68	.473	14	31-33	30-35	4-6	L-2
St. Louis	60	70	.462	15 1/2	30-38	30-32	5-5	W-2
Philadel.	59	69	.461	15 1/2	29-31	30-38	2-8	L-3
West								
Cincinnati	75	54	.581	-	38-26	37-28	6-4	L-2
Los Angeles	70	60	.538	5 1/2	39-27	31-33	8-2	W-5
San Fran.	67	63	.515	8 1/2	36-28	31-35	6-4	L-1
San Diego	60	68	.469	14 1/2	32-35	28-33	4-6	L-2
Houston	58	72	.446	17 1/2	38-27	20-45	5-5	W-1
Atlanta	50	80	.385	25 1/2	28-38	22-42	5-5	L-2

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(AUG. 31) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	4	1	2	1	Boston cf	5	0	0	0
Litton rf	3	0	0	0	Magadan 1b	2	2	0	1
Clark 1b	4	0	1	0	Jefferies 3b	4	3	2	2
Mitchell lf	4	0	0	0	Strawbrry rf	5	2	3	5
Williams 3b	4	0	0	0	McReynlds lf	4	1	1	1
Carter c	3	0	0	0	Johnson ss	4	1	1	3
Thompson 2b	3	0	1	0	Teufel 2b	4	1	1	0
Riles ph	1	0	0	0	Hundley c	3	1	2	0
Uribe ss	2	1	1	0	Fernandez p	2	0	1	0
LaCoss p	1	0	0	0	Pena p	1	1	0	0
Dewey p	0	0	0	0					
Bathe ph	1	0	0	0					
Oliveras p	0	0	0	0					
Kingery ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	31	2	5	1	Totals	34	12	11	12

San Francisco	000 000 020- 2
New York	202 030 05x- 12

E-Teufel, Uribe. LOB-San Francisco 7, New York 5. 2B-Strawberry, Butler, Hundley. HR-Jefferies (14), Johnson (20), Strawberry (29). SB-Butler (37), Thompson (12). S-LaCoss, Fernandez. SF-McReynolds.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO		
San Francisco								
La Coss (L 4-3)	4 2-3	7	7	7	3	0		
Dewey	2 1-3	1	0	0	1	1	Oliveras	1

	3	5	0	1	1		

New York

Fernandez (W 9-10)	7	2-3	4	2	2	3	12
Pena	1	1-3	1	0	0	1	1

T-2:51. A-38,630.

Umpires-Home, Harvey; 1b, DeMuth; 2b, Gregg; 3b, Crawford.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Javier cf	5	1	1	0	Dykstra cf	5	1	2	0
Gonzalez lf	4	1	2	1	Daulton c	4	0	2	0
Sharpersn 3b	4	0	0	0	VHayes lf	4	0	1	1
Harris 3b	1	0	0	0	Murphy rf	5	1	3	0
Murray 1b	4	1	1	1	Kruk 1b	5	0	1	0
Brooks rf	5	0	2	1	Herr 2b	3	0	1	1
Scioscia c	2	0	1	0	CHayes 3b	4	0	0	0
Samuel 2b	2	0	0	0	Thon ss	3	0	1	0
Griffin ss	3	0	1	0	Combs p	1	0	0	0
Gwynn ph	1	0	0	0	Akerfelds p	1	0	0	0
Offerman ss	0	0	0	0	Booker ph	1	0	0	0
Martinez p	0	0	0	0	Boever p	0	0	0	0
Gibson ph	1	0	0	0	Ready ph	1	0	1	0
Gott p	0	0	0	0	McDowell p	0	0	0	0
Walsh p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	32	3	8	3	Totals	37	2	12	2

Los Angeles	100	010	100- 3
Philadelphia	101	000	000- 2

DP-Philadelphia 1. LOB-Los Angeles 11, Philadelphia 12. 2B-Daulton, Gonzalez, Brooks. 3B-Javier. S-Martinez. SF-Gonzalez, VHayes.

	IP		H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles							
Martinez (W 16-6)		7	10	2	2	2	2
Gott	1	2-3	2	0	0	1	1
Walsh (S 1)		1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Philadelphia							
Combs	3	1-3	3	1	1	4	2
Akerfelds	2	2-3	4	1	1	0	3
Boever (L 2-5)		2	1	1	1	2	2
McDowell		1	0	0	0	0	0

HBP-by Combs (Martinez). T-3:13. A-24,160.

Umpires-Home, Rennert; 1b, Bonin; 2b, Tata; 3b, Quick.

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(AUG. 31) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	73	57	.562	-	39-21	34-36	8-2	W-7
Toronto	67	64	.511	6 1/2	34-34	33-30	2-8	W-1
Detroit	62	69	.473	11 1/2	32-35	30-34	7-3	W-2
Milwaukee	60	69	.465	12 1/2	28-33	32-36	7-3	L-1
Baltimore	60	69	.465	12 1/2	29-33	31-36	3-7	W-1
Cleveland	59	71	.454	14	32-33	27-38	3-7	L-4
New York	56	74	.431	17	30-32	26-42	6-4	L-1
West								
Oakland	81	49	.623	-	42-23	39-26	4-6	W-1
Chicago	74	55	.574	6 1/2	38-29	36-26	4-6	W-1
Texas	66	64	.508	15	37-28	29-36	6-4	L-3
California	66	65	.504	15 1/2	35-30	31-35	6-4	W-5
Kansas City	65	65	.500	16	39-29	26-36	7-3	L-1
Seattle	63	68	.481	18 1/2	33-35	30-33	3-7	L-2
Minnesota	59	72	.450	22 1/2	32-34	27-38	4-6	L-1

-30- 1057
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TOKYO (AUG. 31) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said in an interview published Friday the U.N. peace-keeping forces may be required to restore peace in the gulf region and urged Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to immediately withdraw his forces from Kuwait.

Shevardnadze added he is ready to visit Baghdad, if necessary, to negotiate with Iraqi leaders for settlement of the gulf crisis.

The national daily Asahi Shimbun said Shevardnadze made the remark in an exclusive interview in Moscow Wednesday. Contents of the interview were published Friday.

Shevardnadze is scheduled to arrive in Tokyo Wednesday for a four- day visit to attend the regular Soviet-Japanese foreign ministers' consultations.

He said a scheduled visit to Japan by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev will

be discussed at his meeting with Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama in Tokyo.

''At one stage, the United Nations forces may be necessary to guarantee peace in the region,'' Shevardnadze was quoted as saying, adding, ''I do not rule out a possibility of my visit to the Middle East if it is necessary to improve the situation in the region.''

He added: ''Soviet officials are in daily contact with Iraqi representatives at all levels and taking political and diplomatic opportunities in order to bring about an early settlement of the ''ties in

Shevardnadze called the U.N. initiative to impose sanctions against Iraq as ''a most appropriate response of the international community'' and urged Saddam Hussein to withdraw Iraqi forces from Kuwait as soon as possible.

''(The Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait) conforms to Iraq's own national interests,'' he said.

Shevardnadze expressed hope that Hussein will seek a compromised settlement of the crisis.

On his visits to China and North Korea this week, Shevardnadze said he will discuss with Chinese officials mutual reduction of troops deployed along the Sino-Soviet border and measures to build mutual trust between the two nations.

He said negotiations on the troop reduction will start soon.

He said he will negotiate with North Korean leaders on ways to promote an easing of military confrontation on the Korean Peninsula. The situation on the peninsula involves interests of Japan and the Soviet Union as well as the whole of the region, he added.

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(AUG. 31) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

ARCHERY

Leon, Norway - World Field Championships

BASEBALL
AMERICAN LEAGUE

Toronto at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.

New York at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Detroit at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
Baltimore at Milwaukee, 8:35 p.m.
Kansas City at Seattle, 10:35 p.m.
Texas at Oakland, 10:35 p.m.
Chicago at California, 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Cincinnati at Chicago, 3:20 p.m.
San Diego at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
San Francisco at New York, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Atlanta, 7:40 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Houston, 8:35 p.m.

FOOTBALL

FRIDAY GAMES
Atlanta at New England, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Cincinnati, 8:30 p.m.
Green Bay at Kansas City, 8 p.m.
Indianapolis at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
LA Rams at Washington, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Miami, 8 p.m.
Phoenix at Denver, 9 p.m.
Seattle at San Francisco, 9 p.m.

GOLF

Franklin, Wis. - PGA Greater Milwaukee Open
Indianapolis - GTE North Senior Classic

TENNIS

New York - U.S. Open

TRACK AND FIELD

Split, Yugoslavia - European Championships

VOLLEYBALL

China - Women's World Championships

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(AUG. 31) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Reed 2b	6	1	2	2	Cole cf	4	0	0	0
Quintana 1b	6	1	4	1	Browne 2b	4	1	3	1
Boggs 3b	5	1	2	1	Baerga 3b	4	0	2	1
Burks cf	5	0	3	0	Maldonado lf	4	0	0	0
Greenwell lf	4	1	0	0	DJames dh	4	0	1	0
Evans dh	4	2	1	1	Jacoby 1b	4	0	0	0
Marshall rf	4	0	1	1	DiJames lf	3	0	0	0
Romine rf	0	0	0	0	Snyder rf	0	0	0	0
Plantier ph	0	0	0	1	Skinner c	3	1	1	0
Brunansky rf	0	0	0	0	Fermin ss	3	0	1	0
Pena c	4	1	1	0					
Rivera ss	4	2	3	2					
Totals	42	9	17	9	Totals	33	2	8	2

Boston	000 010 017- 9
Cleveland	002 000 000- 2

E-Marshall. DP-Boston 1. LOB-Boston 13, Cleveland 4. 2B-Baerga, Evans, Quintana. HR-Rivera (6). S-Burks. SF-Plantier.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Clemens (W 20-5)	9	8	2	2	0	9
Cleveland						
SValdez	7 2-3	12	2	2	0	2
Jones (L 4-4)	1	3	7	7	5	0
Ward	1-3	2	0	0	0	0

T-2:45. A-9,651.

Umpires-Home, Barnett; 1b, Kosc; 2b, Morrison; 3b, Joyce.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Kelly cf	4	0	0	0	Gallagher lf	2	1	2	1
Azocar lf	4	0	1	0	Finley lf	1	0	0	1
Nokes c	3	1	1	0	Orsulak rf	5	0	1	0
Maas 1b	4	0	1	0	CRipken ss	4	0	1	2
Hall dh	4	0	1	0	Tettleton 1b	2	0	1	1
Barfield rf	3	0	0	1	Hulett dh	2	0	0	0
Velarde 3b	4	0	0	0	Horn dh	1	0	0	0
Espinoza ss	3	0	1	0	Kittle dh	1	0	0	0
Tolleson 2b	3	0	0	0	Melvin c	4	0	0	0

Devereax cf 3 1 1 1
Worthington 3b 4 3 3 0
BRipken 2b 2 1 1 0 Totals 32
1 5 1 Totals 31 6 10 6

New York 000 000 001- 1
Baltimore 110 300 01x- 6

E-Espinoza, LaPoint 2. LOB-New York 6, Baltimore 8. 2B-Gallagher, Tettleton, CRipken, Worthington, Hall. HR-Devereaux (7). SB-Tettleton (2). S-BRipken, Gallagher. SF-Tettleton, Finley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
LaPoint (L 6-10)	3 1-3	9	5	3	0	2
Plunk	2 2-3	0	0	0	1	2
Cadaret	2	1	1	1	2	2
Baltimore						
Harnisch (W 10-9)	9	5	1	1	2	9

WP-Cadaret. T-2:57. A-25,796.

Umpires-Home, Evans; 1b, Ford; 2b, Welke; 3b, Coble.

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Phillips lf	3	1	1	0	Reynolds 2b	4	1	1	1
Whitaker 2b	3	1	2	0	Cotto lf	3	0	0	0
Moseby cf	4	0	1	3	Bradley ph	1	0	0	0
Fielder 1b	5	0	0	0	Griffey, Jr cf	3	0	1	1
Bergman dh	3	0	2	0	Buhner rf	3	0	1	0
Sheets lf	4	0	2	0	Davis dh	2	0	0	0
Heath c	1	0	0	0	EMartinez 3b	4	0	0	0
Shelby rf	3	0	1	0	O'Brien 1b	4	1	1	0
Lemon rf	0	0	0	0	Valle c	2	0	0	0
Salas c	3	0	0	0	Briley ph	1	0	0	0
Trammell ss	1	0	0	0	Vizquel ss	3	0	1	0
Fryman 3b	4	1	1	0					
Totals	34	3	10	3	Totals	30	2	5	2

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Seattle 100 000 001- 2

E-Fielder, Phillips. DP-Detroit 2, Seattle 1. LOB-Detroit 12, Seattle 9. 2B-Reynolds, Buhner, Sheets, Moseby, O'Brien. SB-Reynolds (27). S-Cotto, Phillips, Vizquel. SF-Moseby.

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Detroit						
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Henneman (W 7-6)	2	1	1	0	2	0
Seattle						
Hanson	7 1-3	8	1	1	3	7
Comstock	0	0	0	0	1	0
Jackson (L 5-6)	1 2-3	2	2	2	2	1

HBP-by Henneman (Reynolds). T-2:59. A-10,055.

Umpires-Home, Cooney; 1b, Tschida; 2b, Brinkman; 3b, Reed.

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#90243u0628 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

POTOSI, Mo. (AUG. 31) UPI - George Gilmore, the leader of a band of thugs who terrorized the elderly and handicapped for several years, was executed Friday by injection for the murder of an 83-year-old woman.

Gilmore, 44, who did not believe the execution would be carried out and did not request a special last meal, was given the injection in the death chamber at Potosi Correctional Center at 12:05 a.m. and was pronounced dead at 12:10 a.m.

The Supreme Court twice denied a stay of execution for Gilmore, convicted of murdering an 83-year-old woman in a crime spree that targeted elderly and handicapped people.

The court issued a brief order Thursday noting that Justice Thurgood Marshall, who opposes the death penalty, dissented from the first decision and that Justice Antonin Scalia took no part in the case. The court issued a similar order less than an hour before the scheduled execution.

The orders were the third and fourth times that the nation's highest court had rejected appeals by Gilmore during his 10-year legal fight to avoid the death penalty.

Gilmore was the 136th person executed in the United States since the Supreme Court lifted its ban on capital punishment in 1976. He was the fourth inmate executed in Missouri in 1990.

Prison officials said Gilmore was given the first of three shots at 12:05 a.m. He lost consciousness at 12:06 a.m.

Gilmore was taken to the execution chamber strapped on a gurney after 11:30 p.m. Thursday. The state had 14 witnesses for the execution while Gilmore had three.

Gilmore was on the gurney and covered up to his chin with a heavy white cloth when the curtain was lifted for the witnesses at the prison.

Before the shot was administered, Gilmore arched his head back to see his financee, his niece and another man who were weeping.

The man appeared to mouth the words, ''I love you,'' to Gilmore and Gilmore spoke twice back to them.

State witnesses said he appeared to be saying, ''I love you.''

After the administration of the first dose, Gilmore's head fell to the right and he never spoke again. He did not raise his head again.

He began breathing heavily and then stopped. His eyes and mouth never closed.

Dick Moore, director of the Missouri Department of Corrections, spoke to the state's witnesses before they were taken to the execution chamber.

''What you are particpating in is justice being carried out,'' Moore said. ''It's a far cry from the terror and horror of the victims of George Gilmore and what he put them through.''

Governor John Ashcroft said in a statement read to the witnesses after the execution was completed: ''Justice has been served. This regrettable event is necessary to reaffirm the value the state of Missouri places on innocent human life. I extend my sympathy to Mr. Gilmore's family. At the same time ... we must never forget the families of the victims of heinous crimes.

Gilmore's last meal was regular prison fare because he thought he would be granted a stay of execution. Gilmore ate pork chops, mashed potatoes, green beans and bread. He did request and was given a two- liter bottle of Pepsi.

Gilmore last week divorced first wife and wanted on Thursday to marry his financee but prison officials denied the request because his divorce had not been final for 30 days.

Riley said Gilmore refused all interviews but he told prison officials he wanted ''everybody to know he was innocent.''

In their appeals, defense attorneys argued the jury that convicted Gilmore

of first-degree murder should have been told to consider his impoverished childhood and his level of education before recommending the death penalty.

The nation's highest court rejected two previous appeals by Gilmore during his 10-year legal fight to avoid the death penalty.

Leonard Laws, one of Gilmore's partners in the rampage of murder and robbery, was executed May 17 for his role in one of the crimes. Laws, was executed by injection at Potosi for the 1980 shotgun slayings of an elderly couple.

Gilmore was the leader of a band of thugs who terrorized elderly and handicapped people for several years in east-central Missouri, committing robberies and murders.

His death warrant stemmed from the 1979 murder of Mary Watters, 83, who lived alone in Robertsville. She was shot twice with a revolver during a robbery.

As Gilmore and his accomplices were breaking into Watters' home, the terrified victim fired at Gilmore with a shotgun but missed him. The only loot taken from her home was the shotgun and a small radio. The articles were sold for $20 each. Watters had no money.

Gilmore, who was convicted of five murders that produced four death sentences and a life sentence, said he expected his convictions to be overturned.

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#90243u0641 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Cincinnati - Activated pitcher Danny Jackson from disabled list; optioned pitcher Rosario Rodriguez to Chattanooga of the Southern League (AA).

Pittsburgh - Acquired first baseman-outfielder Carmelo Martinez from Philadelphia for outfielders Wes Chamberlain and Julio Peguero and a player to be named.

BASKETBALL

Milwaukee - Signed guard Steve Henson to a one-year contract.

New Jersey - Waived forward Charles Shackleford.

COLLEGE

Marist - Named Dan Sullivan director of sports media relations and promotions.

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Signed nose tackle Shawn Lee and safety George Streeter.

Cleveland - Agreed to terms with linebacker Clay Matthews.

Miami - Signed tackle Jeff Dellenbach to a 2-year contract.

NY Giants - Waived nose tackle Winfred Bryant; claimed defensive tackle Kent Wells off waivers.

Philadelphia - Waived center Dave Rimington; claimed free agent James Gray off waivers.

San Diego - Waived wide receiver Elliott Searcy.

HOCKEY

American Hockey League - Named Macgregor Kilpatrick vice president/league general counsel.

Boston - Signed goaltender Matt Delguidice.

NY Rangers - Named Colin Campbell assistant coach; announced retirement of center Davis Archibald.

SOCCER

Cleveland (MSL) - Signed forward Ali Kazemaini to a 1-year contract.

Dallas (MSL) - Signed defender Wes McLeod.

Tacoma (MSL) - Signed defender Nikola (Nikki) Ristic.

YACHTING

Isler Sailing International - Withdrew from 1992 America's Cup.

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#90243u0659 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (AUG. 31) UPI - Share prices continued to rise Friday, as buying enthusiasm withstood a tide of profit-taking following an upsurge the day

before.

The key 225-issue Nikkei average, which gained 775.17 points Thursday, advanced another 308.41 points, or 1.2 percent. The Nikkei ended at 25,978.37.

The broader Tokyo Stock Price Index capped its 44.60-point performance Thursday with a 17.95-point gain. TOPIX, a measure of all shares traded on the exchange's first section, closed at 1,973.97.

Volume was the heaviest seen in weeks, leading some brokers to believe the market may truly have bottomed out after a month and a half of dizzying losses.

An estimated 600 million shares changed hands, compared with 576.34 million Thursday.

A tide of profit-taking at the outset drove the Nikkei down 100 points.

Reports that Iraq was setting conditions for the release of women and children dampened the mood, brokers said.

But the market turned around as individual investors were encouraged by signs of confidence in the London warrant market, they said.

Upward revisions in profit reports spurred buying of selected stocks, they said.

Blue chips were sold, while smaller-capital issues, especially those with good profit outlooks, were bought.

One such issue, Godo Steel, jumped 15 percent on news of improved profits.

Institutional investors and securities firms jumped on the bandwagon, brokers said.

Overall, advances led declines by more than 2:1.

Some brokers said the market's performance demonstrated investors' renewed confidence.

''There was good volume, especially considering it was Friday with a long weekend coming up in New York,'' said Brad Bauer, a broker with Barclay's de Zoete Wedd in Tokyo. ''It conveys the feeling that we're seeing the kind of damage repair that has to take place if this market is going to sustain a rally.

But other brokers expressed disappointment that the Nikkei had not

finished above the psychologically important 26,000-point line.

They noted that Nikkei-based stock futures declined in the afternoon, and that the spot market was hit by late profit-taking.

The market will continue to be volatile as long as the Middle East crisis persists, said a Japanese broker, who declined to be named.

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#90243u0668 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - After Oakland spent Wednesday trading for two heavy hitters, it was light-hitting Mike Gallego that helped lead the Athletics to victory Thursday night.

Gallego's one-out single lifted the American League West leaders to a 6-5 win over the Kansas City Royals, who extended their lead over the Chicago White Sox to 6 1-2 games.

The day before, the Athletics acquired two accomplished veterans for the pennant drive - designated hitter Harold Baines from the Texas Rangers and outfielder Willie McGee from the St. Louis Cardinals.

Both players have playoff experience, espically McGee, a former National League MVP who led St. Louis to three World Series appearances and one championship in the 1980s.

But it was Gallego - a career .235 hitter - who performed the heroics, although he could have almost been the goat.

After Willie Randolph singled, Gallego was given the hit-and-run sign while at the plate. The four-year veteran missed the next pitch but fortunately Randolph, who went 4 for 5, was able to make it safely to second.

Gallego then hit the next pitch for a RBI-single and make a winner of reliever Dennis Eckersley, 3-2.

''That was a hit and run and I messed up,'' Gallego said. ''I didn't put the ball in play but luckily Willie had enough speed to steal the base. If you look back you'll see that when our seven, eight and nine hitters are hitting we're unbeatable.''

Eckersley also messed up but Gallego's hit saved him.

The right-handed veteran, who has 39 saves this year, blew only his second save opportunity of the year when he gave up a homer to Bo Jackson in the eighth inning that allowed the Royals to tie it 5-5.

The missed save denied Oakland starter Dave Stewart from picking up his 18th victory. Stewart allowed four runs and six hits in seven innings.

Eckersley, however, wasn't annoyed about giving up the home run.

''It's nice to give up one like that,'' Eckersley said. ''I threw him a fastball and he rammed into it. Who wants to give up a teeny one. But we won, that's what it's all about.''

Jackson hit an 0-1 pitch into the second deck in left field for his 22nd homer. Jackson, who came off the disabled list Aug. 26, has hit six homers and driven in 14 runs in his last five games.

''Since I've come back from my injury I've been swinging the bat,'' Jackson said. ''I just got the fat part of the bat on it. I can't take anything away from Eck Man, he's at the top. I think that's only the second hit I have off him''.

Reliever Steve Crawford, 5-3, took the loss.

Oakland took a 2-0 lead in the first on Rickey Henderson's lead off home run, and Mark McGwire's bloop RBI single. It was Henderson's 23rd home run of the season and it marked the 45th time he has homered leading off a game, extending his own major-league record.

Henderson went 3 for 5 and drove in three runs.

Kansas City scored twice in the fourth on Danny Tartabull's home run, his 14th of the season and Kurt Stillwell's sacrifice fly.

The Athletics made it 5-2 in the sixth on Henderson's two-run single and Carney Lansford's RBI single.

The Royals drew to 5-4 in the seventh on Jim Eisenreich's two-run home run his fifth of the year.

Elsewhere in the American League, Chicago edged Minnesota 4-3, Boston clubbed Cleveland 9-2, Baltimore downed New York 6-1 and Detroit sank Seattle 3-2.

In the NL, it was: New York 12, San Francisco 2; Los Angeles 3, Philadelphia 2; St. Louis 5, Atlanta 3 in 12 innings and Cincinnati 6, Chicago 5.

-- AROUND THE AL --

White Sox 4, Twins 3

At Minneapolis, Ron Karkovice's liner to center turned into an inside-the-park grand slam when center fielder John Moses slipped on the warning track, helping Chicago snap its five-game losing streak. Jack McDowell, 11-6, won for the sixth time in his last seven decisions, scattering five hits over eight innings and Bobby Thigpen earned his league-leading 44th save.

Red Sox 9, Indians 2

At Cleveland, Dwight Evans ignited a seven-run ninth inning with a bases-loaded walk and Roger Clemens became baseball's second 20-game winner. Clemens, 20-5, struck out nine and Doug Jones, 4-4, took the loss by allowing seven runs, three hits and five walks in one inning of work.

Orioles 6, Yankees 1

At Baltimore, Pete Harnisch tossed a five-hitter and Cal Ripken drove in two runs with a fourth-inning double to help Baltimore snap a five-game losing streak. Harnisch, 10-9, struck out nine in throwing his third complete game. Dave LaPoint, 6-10, took the loss, allowing three runs in the fourth inning.

Tigers 3, Mariners 2

At Seattle, Lloyd Moseby drove home three runs, two coming on a tie-breaking double in the ninth inning, to lift Detroit to its eighth win in the past 11 games. Mike Henneman, 7-6, pitched the final two innings to pick up the victory. Reliever Mike Jackson, 5-6, took the loss.

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#90243u0675 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 31) UPI - Officials have begun building a legal case against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for possible use at a Nuremberg-style war crimes trial, a published report said Friday.

Administration sources told the Los Angeles Times they hoped the threat of a war crimes tribunal would deter Saddam from taking any further action against the thousands of foreign hostages he now holds, or against prisoners of war if fighting erupts.

The allegations could be used to justify any direct military action by the United States.

''Some (legal) action has to be taken, both because we have a right to bring him to justice and to deter him from further violations,'' said an administration official who asked not to be named.

The building of a legal case also appears to be part of a larger administration effort to justify its presence in the Arabian desert and to provide the basis for a war not just to protect Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf oil fields, but also to eliminate Saddam and his vast arsenal from the Middle East.

Officials said Saddam clearly has violated the most serious precept in international law by waging a war of aggression. That charge was the foundation of the war crimes trials of Nazi leaders in Nuremberg.

Saddam is also guilty of ''grave breaches'' of the Geneva Convention of 1949 by taking hostages, removing them from occupied territory and placing them at military installations as shields against attack, the officials said.

They further allege that the Iraqi army's treatment of civilians and its looting in Kuwait are violations of the Geneva Convention's international rules of warfare. In addition, Saddam's actions against embassies and diplomatic personnel have breached the 1973 New York Convention.

While rounding up Saddam and his advisers to stand trial could be problematic in a city as large and well-defended as Baghdad, one expert said just convening a war crimes trial could have a sobering effort on the Iraqi leader.

''They can try in absentia. He would be given every opportunity to come and represent himself if he likes,'' said John Norton Moore, a former State Department international law specialist.

''But there's no question that the (U.N.) Security Council has jurisdiction to hold an international war crimes tribunal as a measure to restore international peace and peace and security,'' Moore said.

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#90243u0676 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Ron Oester dusted off his bat and Danny Jackson returned to the mound to remind everyone that they are still Cincinnati Reds.

Oester, who had gone nearly a month without starting, hit a two-run triple to highlight a six-run fifth inning Thursday night and Jackson won in his first start since July 12, boosting the Reds to a 6-5 victory over the Chicago Cubs.

Jackson, 5-2, sidelined with a partially torn rotator cuff earlier this season, was activated from his second stint on the disabled list prior to the game. He gave up eight hits over five innings, striking out four, and

also hit his first major-league triple.

''I'm just fine,'' said Jackson, reportedly bitter about his second DL term. ''I was positive from the beginning. I've been in the big leagues six years. I know what I have to do to pitch.''

Randy Myers entered with two out in the eighth to earn his 27th save.

Oester had not started since July 31 because of Mariano Duncan, who is batting .333 since the All-Star break.

''The guy (Duncan) who's out there has done a pretty good job,'' Oester said. ''This is the first game I've started in - well, it'll be a month tomorrow. You like to help the team out any way you can.''

Cincinnati took advantage of three triples, two doubles and two wild pitches in the fifth, opening a 6-1 lead. Chris Sabo and Jeff Reed each singled, and both scored on Oester's triple to right.

It was Oester's first triple since the 1987 season, and only his sixth at-bat this month.

''I made a bad pitch to him (Oester),'' Bielecki said. ''I tried to throw down and away and it stayed down the middle.''

Jackson and Barry Larkin also tripled in the six-run fifth. The trio of triples was one shy of the National League single inning record of four, achieved seven times, including 1926 by the Reds and twice by the Cubs in 1895 and 1899.

The victory helped the Reds maintain a 5 1-2 game lead over Los Angeles in the National League West.

''I'd feel better if we were 10 1-2 games up,'' Piniella said. ''All we need to do is play good, consistent baseball.''

Elsewhere in the National League, New York beat San Francisco 12-2; Los Angeles edged Philadelphia 3-2 and St. Louis defeated Atlanta 5-3.

In the AL, it was: Chicago 4, Minnesota 3; Oakland 6, Kansas City 5; Boston 9, Cleveland 2; Baltimore 6, New York 1; and Detroit 3, Seattle 2.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Mets 12, Giants 2

At New York, Gregg Jefferies hit a two-run homer, Howard Johnson stroked a three-run shot and Darryl Strawberry belted a grand slam to back Sid

Fernandez' 12-strikeout effort. Fernandez improved to 9-10 and Mike LaCoss fell to 4-3.

Dodgers 3, Phillies 2

At Philadelphia, Hubie Brooks doubled home Eddie Murray in the seventh inning to complete a three-game series sweep of the Phillies. Ramon Martinez, 16-6, who was winless in his three previous starts, helped Los Angeles win for the 12th time in their last 16 games. Dave Walsh pitched the final out for his first major-league save. Joe Boever dropped to 2-5.

Cardinals 5, Braves 3, 12 innings

At Atlanta, pinch-hitter Terry Pendleton's sacrifice fly with one out in the 12th inning scored Todd Zeile with the go-ahead run. Frank DiPino, 5-2 hurled a hitless 11th inning to earn the win and Tom Niedenfuer worked the 12th to earn his second save. Duane Henry evened his record at 2-2.

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#90243u0685 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - A reportedly weary U-N Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar is meeting with Iraq's foreign minister in Jordan. The U-N chief said earlier he has NO blueprint to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis. He said the meeting is an exchange of views.

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Western nations with hostages in Iraq are pressing President Saddam Hussein on his promise to free foreign women and children in his custody. NO American women and children so far have left Iraq or occupied Kuwait.

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In Washington, President Bush says he's sending Secretary of State Baker and Treasury Secretary Brady on a multi-nation trip to persuade other nations of the world to share the military and economic costs of facing down Iraq.

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In Jerusalem, Israel vowed to defend itself forcefully against any Iraqi attack. Iraq yesterday said its air force would strike Israel with ''crushing blows'' if an armed conflict began in the Persian Gulf.

The shuttle Columbia has suffered another launch delay. Columbia originally was scheduled for launch tomorrow... but now it's been delayed until the middle of next week or later because of trouble with an on-board

telescope.

The state of Missouri executed 44-year-old George Gilmore shortly after midnight by injection. Gilmore was convicted of murdering an 83- year-old woman in a crime spree that targeted elderly and handicapped people.

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#90243u0695 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Police in New York are looking for the owner of a blue Oldsmobile believed used by a gunman who shot and killed ex-state senator Vander Beatty. Beatty was shot in the head yesterday afternoon in his campaign headquarters.

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And the New York Times reports today that the police task force tracking the so-called Zodiac killer has been trimmed to 19 detectives from 50. The Zodiac killer has shot four people, killing one... all in the pre-dawn hours of Thursdays.

There's new danger of violence between the government of Quebec and Mohawk Indians. Talks between the two sides collapsed yesterday... raising fears of an assault by the armed forces on two native reserves south of Montreal.

The Caltech Seismology Lab says a series of earthquakes shook Imperial County last night. Officials say the largest measured four- point-four on the Richter scale. NO injuries or damage were reported in the deserted area.

The government says the 1989 infant mortality rate of nine-point- seven per one-thousand live births is the lowest ever recorded in the United States. The rates reflect deaths of children before their first birthday.

Five Central American countries have begun a push to shed their reputation as a bridge for drug traffic between South America and the United States. Envoys are in the middle of a two-day drug summit in Managua, Nicaragua.

Virginia Beach is preparing for thousands of young people expected during the Labor Day weekend. Civic leaders hope that by planning several events they will avoid the violence that erupted along the resort strip last year.

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#90243u0705 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - The trail of the Zodiac killer has cooled, and police are scaling back their investigation of the elusive gunman, a published report said Friday.

The New York Times said the Zodiac task forced was pared Wednesday to 19 detectives from 50, and may soon be cut further.

The task force had followed more than 2,000 leads, interviewed dozens of suspects and consulted astrologers to track down the gunman.

But with 12 children being shot, five fatally, since July 22, and 21 cab drivers killed this year, questions were raised about concentrating efforts on a man responsible for one death, the Times reported.

The so-called Zodiac has shot four people, sent letters to news agencies and left behind two letters at the scenes of his crimes. He had warned that he would shoot one victim for all 12 signs of the Zodiac, and struck in three-week intervals on Thursdays in the predawn hours.

Four widely publicized dragnets were put out - unsuccessfully - for the killer, the first on July 12, just three weeks after the gunman shot his fourth victim.

All Zodiac victims were defenseless men: two used canes, one was sleeping on a bench and police said another was drunk.

The first shooting occurred March 8. Joseph Proce, the third victim, was shot in the back in Woodhaven in Queens on May 31, and later died.

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#90243u0724 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (AUG. 31) UPI - An American citizen employed in Kuwait who escaped Iraqi occupying forces in a grueling and thirsty three-day drive across the desert through military checkpoints has been reunited with his family.

Abdullah Touny rejected the American ambassador to Kuwait's advice to remain in hiding and fled that country with the help of politically-connected friends, arriving in Los Angeles Thursday night for the tearful reunion.

As his Ontario, Calif., family worried for the past month about his welfare, Touny said he learned of Kuwaiti violence against the occupiers and the increasing danger he would be captured and held with other Westerners.

Egyptian-born Touny and his wife Abla lived in Kuwait for several years.

Abdullah Touny recounted for his family his tale of hiding in his Kuwait house on the advice of the American ambassador and hearing of resistance

by Kuwaiti citizens against Iraqi soldiers who have occupied the country since the invasion Aug. 2.

''There is a lot of resistance. With the little arms they have and few people, they are fighting every day and killing Iraqis every day.''

As time passed, he said, he realized he must attempt to escape the country by driving across the Kuwaiti desert.

''In the last week they were looking for Americans and I was with the American ambassador. We had meetings. He called us and told us we had to stay home, nobody gets out (because) it's very dangerous. I thought that I have to escape through Saudi Arabia or Jordan.

''I escaped through friends that have connections with the authorities,'' he said.

He was not specific about his escape route or the people who helped him, but said the journey was difficult.

''I have been through the desert for three days,'' Mr. Touny said. ''There were check lines and soldiers every few miles. It was horrible. No water and no facilities.''

He drove with others in a 4-wheel-drive American car, afraid at every stop that his American identity might be discovered.

''I had to hide everything, my drivers license, my passport.''

Now that he is safe he said, his thoughts are with ''American friends I left behind.''

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#90243u0732 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Here is a roundup of top events Friday in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

AMMAN, Jordan - U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz met Friday for talks on the crisis in the Persian Gulf and both remained highly guarded about the chances of producing movement toward a diplomatic resolution. The session, characterized by Perez de Cuellar as ''an exchange of views'' and not negotiations, opened about noon at the palace of King Hussein, about 90 minutes after Aziz arrived from Baghdad at a tightly guarded airport in a

suburb of the Jordanian capital. Officials said that Aziz met first with Crown Prince Hassan, who is acting as regent while Hussein is on a mission to Europe in search of a negotiated settlement to the Gulf crisis.

WASHINGTON - President Bush announced an effort to persuade other nations to share the military and economic costs of the massive push to force Iraq from Kuwait. He told a White House news conference Thursday he was sending Secretary of State James Baker and Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady overseas to coordinate contributions and donations to defray the costs of the operation.

TOKYO - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said in an interview published Friday the U.N. peace-keeping forces may be required to restore peace in the gulf region and urged Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to immediately withdraw his forces from Kuwait. Shevardnadze added he is ready to visit Baghdad, if necessary, to negotiate with Iraqi leaders for settlement of the gulf crisis. The national daily Asahi Shimbun said Shevardnadze made the remark in an exclusive interview in Moscow Wednesday. Contents of the interview were published Friday.

WASHINGTON - The State Department accused Iraq of tying Western women and children in bureaucratic red tape and confusion, putting them on an ''emotional roller coaster'' that is inhumane and disgraceful. The assessment came more than two days after President Saddam Hussein announced that Western women and children would be free to leave Iraq and Kuwait, if they chose to go.

LOS ANGELES - Officials have begun building a legal case against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for possible use at a Nuremberg-style war crimes trial. Administration sources told the Los Angeles Times they hoped the threat of a war crimes tribunal would deter Saddam from taking any further action against the thousands of foreign hostages he now holds, or against prisoners of war if fighting erupts. The allegations could be used to justify any direct military action by the United States.

MANILA, Philippines - Iraq has proposed swapping oil for Philippine sugar, but officials said they doubted the deal could go through because of the U.N.-imposed economic embargo on Iraq.

BAGHDAD - INA quoted Iraq's air force commander Thursday as saying that if an armed conflict erupted in the gulf, Iraq would destroy ''the nests of traitors'' in Saudi Arabia and provide ''crushing blows'' to Israel.

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#90243u0768 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (AUG. 31) UPI - Nelson Bunker Hunt and his creditors apparently settled their dispute involving mineral rights on his ranch, possibly allowing the sale of the $70 million property, officials involved in the proceedings said.

''There has been a settlement and the mineral rights will stay with the ranches'' after they are sold, said R. Carter Pate of the Finley Group, which is in charge of selling Hunt's assets. ''This clears up any dispute as far as the mineral rights at the Circle T Ranch,'' Hunt's 2,000-acre spread in Westlake.

The deal was to be filed Friday in U.S. Bankruptcy Court, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported in its Friday editions.

The Star-Telegram said the agreement called for Hunt to relinquish claims on unexplored oil, gas and other natural resources on his former ranch and farm properties, but he will continue to receive a percentage of mineral leases on certain undeveloped properties.

''We are pleased with the agreement that will allow Mr. Hunt to develop the minerals on some of the properties,'' said Hunt's attorney, Russ Munsch.

Munsch declined to estimate how much money Hunt could earn in oil and gas claims on the properties where he will retain part of the mineral rights.

Prospective buyers for the Circle T Ranch have indicated their interest in purchasing the land hinged on the outcome of the mineral rights question.

Nelson Hunt and his brother, William Herbert Hunt, filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in 1988 after they were battered by their disasterous silver market speculation in 1979 and 1980 and the subsequent nosedive of oil prices.

The Hunts concluded their personal bankruptcy cases last December by agreeing to sell most of their assets to pay their creditors. But various disagreements between the men and their creditors have flared up since then concerning the interpretation of certain sections of the deal.

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#90243u0769 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - George Gilmore, who believed he would NOT be executed, was put to death this morning in Potosi, Missouri, for killing an 83-year-old woman. Twice yesterday the Supreme Court denied a stay. Gilmore was so confident he would get a stay of execution that he did NOT order a last meal.

It's costing the United States 46-Million dollars a day to maintain military forces to confront Iraq in Saudi Arabia. President Bush wants other nations to pay part of the cost. Bush said yesterday he is sending Secretary of State Baker and Treasury Secretary Brady to other nations to ask them for contributions.

The shuttle Columbia is delayed again. The space flight originally scheduled for May was to have taken place tomorrow, but now it's been put off until at least next week. The reason is loss of data from an on- board telescope. Engineers blame an electronic box in the payload.

Bookings at hotels in Virginia Beach, Virginia, are below normal as the Labor Day weekend approaches. Business and city leaders now believe a smaller crowd than expected will arrive. Last year rioting broke out during the annual end-of-summer partying by students from historically black colleges.

Some Mohawk Indian say a clash of two Indian groups caused the collapse of talks with the Quebec and Canadian governments. One Indian chief says the militant group called the Warriors wanted an agreement to specify the Indians' sovereignty. The chief says the government representative did NOT have that authority.

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#90243u0812 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (AUG. 31) UPI - Tokyo's cost of living, already the world's highest, leaped 3 percent in August over a year ago for the sharpest year-on-year rise in more than five years, a preliminary government report said Friday.

The report said the jump was largely due to the unusually hot weather in early summer.

The Management and Coordination Agency said the consumer price index for the Tokyo metropolitan area, a bellwether of nationwide inflationary trends, stood at 108.2 against the 1985 base of 100, up 3 percent over the year-earlier period and 0.3 percent higher than July.

''The hot weather at the beginning of the summer caused vegetables to mature earlier than usual and their prices jumped in August,'' an agency official said.

The official, who declined to be named, said the rise also was attributable to higher labor and distribution costs. Sustained expansion of the Japanese economy, now in its 45th consecutive month of growth, has caused a serious labor shortage, resulting in higher labor costs.

A surge in oil prices caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2 and subsquent tension in the Middle East will bear an impact on commodity prices starting in September, the official said.

Officials said oil refiners and distributors may be allowed to raise prices of their products after higher-priced oil starts arriving in Japan in September.

The agency said the August rise in the cost of living was the highest since January 1985, when consumer prices jumped 3.2 percent over the year-ago period.

Consumer prices, however, posted a 3 percent year-on-year rise in March this year as a result of the 3 percent sales tax introduced in April last year, the agency said.

Excluding fresh vegetables, fruits and fish, the consumer price index for all of Japan stood at 108.0 in August, down 0.1 percent from July but up 2.5 percent over a year ago.

The Economic Planning Agency, meanwhile, said the central bank's decision to raise its official discount rate will help stabilize consumer prices.

The Bank of Japan raised the key interest rate charged on its loans to commercial institutions by 0.75 percentage points to 6.0 percent annually Thursday. The move was described as a preemptive measure to ease mounting inflationary pressure caused by rising oil prices.

The Management and Coordination Agency, meanwhile, said Japan's employment situation remained stable in July, reflecting the booming economy.

The agency said the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the month stood at 2.1 percent, down 0.1 percentage point from the previous month.

Japan's jobless rate has hovered in a 2.0 percent to 2.2 percent range since June 1989.

The agency said the number of unemployed totaled 1.26 million in July - 710,000 men and 550,000 women. The figure represented a decrease of 60,000

- or 4.5 percent - from a year ago.

Japan's work force, including the jobless, was 64.60 million, up 880,000 - or 1.4 percent - over a year ago, the agency said.

The number of workers in the agriculture-forestry sector decreased 1.2 percent to 4.77 million while the total in the wholesale-retail and food services declined 0.3 percent to 14.01 million, the agency said.

The number of workers in the construction industry totaled 5.92 million - up 2.1 percent - while the total in the manufacturing sector grew 1.7 percent to 15.26 million. The total in the service industry surged 2.9 percent to 14.04 million, the agency said.

The Labor Ministry said the ratio of job openings to job seekers stood at 1.45, down from 1.47 from June. The figure means there were 145 job openings for every 100 job seekers.

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#90243u0852 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Reports from Florida say several suspects are being questioned in the slayings of five college students killed near the University of Florida campus at Gainesville. A published report says one suspect, an 18-year-old University of Florida student, recently lived in the Gatorwood Apartment complex in Gainesville where two of the killings occurred. He's being held on charges in a separate incident.

U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar held talks today in Jordan with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz on the Persian Gulf crisis. Before the session, both men were reserved about the chances of a diplomatic solution to world demands for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait. Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2nd in a dispute over oil production and territory.

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Aziz also said in Jordan that several British women and children have been shifted to different locations in Baghdad prior to their imminent release. Iraq is holding thousands of Westerners captive in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait as protection against attack by a U-S-led multinational force deployed in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf.

NASA appears snake-bitten in its efforts to launch a shuttle before summer's end. The space agency today halted the countdown of the shuttle Columbia one day before its scheduled liftoff on an astronomy mission. NASA says Columbia itself is O-K... but there's trouble reported with an on-board telescope. The mission has been delayed to the middle of next

week or later.

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#90243u0857 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - Forecasters say much of the nation is enjoying clear, cool weather at the start of the Labor Day weekend. Clear skies stretched throughout the Northeast today, with mild temperatures in the 80's. In the West, temperatures are slightly below normal7/8but are expected to return to the usual 80's and 90's inland and 60's and 70's along the coast for the holiday weekend.

The National Center for Health Statistics says Americans are living longer. According to 1989 data... life expectancy reached a record high of 75-point-two years and death rates for various diseases continued to decline. And infant mortality rates dropped two-tenths of one percent to a record nine-point-seven per one-thousand live births.

Articles published in two leading scientific journals say animal tests used by the government to determine whether chemicals pose a cancer risk to humans are virtually worthless for gauging low-level threats found in daily life. Scientists say the problem lies in the enormous levels of chemicals given the test animals... making the quantity, NOT the makeup, the determining factor.

A 90-year-old man faces court charges next week in Manistique, Michigan, for disturbing a weekly bingo session. Bob McEwan was angered when state officials ordered him to stop his weekly penny-ante poker games. In response, McEwan hauled a boom box to the senior citizens center and blared rock music to drown out the voice of the bingo caller. Said McEwan... ''If I CAN'T play penny-ante poker, then they CAN'T play bingo.''

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#90243u0986 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - The ruling National Party in South Africa abandoned 42 years of white rule by announcing it is opening its membership to all races. President Frederik de Klerk made the announcement to an annual party congress today in Durban. De Klerk says the existing membership rules conflict with the party's- quote- ''declared point of view against racial discrimination.'' De Klerk launched a program of sweeping racial reform last February.

All eyes are on Jordan where U-N chief Javier Perez de Cuellar meets Iraqi foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. Speaking with reporters in Amman, the U-N chief and Aziz played down chances of a diplomatic resolution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Perez de Cuellar has characterized the sessions as an exchange of views. Aziz gave NO indication that Iraq is ready to agree to

U-N resolutions demanding Iraq pull out of Kuwait.

Much of the nation basked in clear, cool weather today, kicking off the Labor Day holiday... the last long weekend of the summer. Clear skies extended throughout the Northeast with mild temperatures in the 80's. In the West, patchy fog and low clouds dotted the California coast and temperatures were slightly below normal but expected to return to the usual 80's and 90's.

A glitch with an on-board telescope has grounded tomorrow's scheduled launch of the hard-luck space shuttle Columbia. The shuttle launch was already running three months behind schedule because of a fuel leak and the latest trouble has pushed the liftoff to the middle of next week or even later. The delay undoubtedly is a major disappointment to the seven Columbia astronauts, who came within six hours of blastoff on May 29th only to be grounded by the fuel leak.

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#90243u1000 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Stunned residents of a tornado-ravaged Illinois town are just beginning to count their losses in dollars and cents. Will County Emergency Service and Disaster Agency pegged the losses to private homes and businesses at 100-Million dollars after a tornado cut a swath from Plainfield to Joliet on Tuesday. The death toll reached 26 yesterday, with the deaths of two hospitalized children.

A badly burned Soviet boy received a skin transplant at a hospital in Japan following an unprecedented airlift this week from the Soviet island of Sakhalin. The airlift was the first direct flight between Japan and the Soviet Union in 45 years and is being touted as a victory for humanitarian diplomacy in Tokyo. The two countries are at odds over a tiny group of Soviet-held islands that lie off the eastern tip of Hokkaido.

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#90243u1018 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) UPI - Energy Secretary James Watkins says the Bush administration is responding to the Persian Gulf crisis with a ''short-term strategy'' for stabilizing oil markets by raising domestic production and encouraging conservation.

Watkins, in an interview published in The New York Times Friday, said the administration's strategy will not speed up a new national energy policy now under discussion.

He said the plan for a modest energy-policy response to the gulf crisis would involve a nationwide advertising campaign to promote conservation

and is based on what the Energy Department learned during public hearings around the nation.

''We are trying to keep it as simple as we can, move on those things that make sense and leave to the national energy strategy the complex milieu of issues that we have to address across the board,'' Watkins said.

The advertising campaign, Watkins said, will begin in the second week of September, urging Americans to conserve oil by doing things like inflating their tires to the maximum pressure, driving cars that yield higher gas mileage and observing speed limits.

''A lot of people think this is trivializing conservation by going to higher pressure tires,'' Watkins said, but the Energy Department estimates that inflating tires to the maximum recommended pressures would save 100,000 barrels of oil daily.

The energy chief also said the administration is considering a potentially controversial element - to allow production in an offshore oil field near Santa Barbara, Calif.

The administration would try to mediate a dispute between the state of California and Santa Barbara County and oil companies over how crude petroleum is to be transported to shore, an environmentally fragile area that is an important tourist attraction.

Of the 4 million barrels of oil a day that Iraq and Kuwait had exported before the U.N. embargo ordered in response to the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq, some 700,000 came to the United States. That shortfall will be made up by December, Watkins said, by increasing production from Prudhoe Bay in Alaska. The Energy Department is also seeking an additional 30,000 barrels a day from Texas and 50,000 barrels more from companies that have developed oil reserves off the Santa Barbara coast.

Environmentalists and the oil companies have been battling over the threat to Santa Barbara's coastline from shipping oil by sea. Watkins said new production in the oil field could add 50,000 to 75,000 barrels a day to the nation's oil supply.

Watkins told the Times the Energy Department plans to become involved in the dispute over a coastal processing plant and the development of an oil field 50 miles west of Santa Barbara and 10 miles offshore. The field was developed and readied for production three years ago by the Chevron Corp. and 17 partners.

After the oil spill in Alaska's Prince William Sound, California revoked Chevron's license last summer to ship pil from the plant to its Los Angeles refinery in tankers.

Other aspects of the Energy Department's program, as outlined by Watkins, include:

-Promoting the use of gasoline that includes alcohol or methanol, to save 10,000 barrels of oil daily. Drivers of the department's more than 12,000 cars and trucks were directed Thursday to begin buying alcohol-blended fuels in an experiment to measure fuel savings.

-The department will try to make it easier for cities and industrial companies to gain permits to burn garbage as a fuel, to save thousands of barrels of oil a day.

-Utilities and other industrial oil users would be encouraged to change their boilers to burn natural gas. Watkins said his department could accelerate the process of issuing permits for natural gas pipeline rights of way.

-The Energy Department has a proposal before the White House to change tax laws to encourage independent oil producers to produce more oil from wells that contain heavy oil that is difficult to pump.

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#90243u1028 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

WOODSTOCK, NY (AUG. 31) UPI - A daughter of a hostage held in Iraq claims her father is the American who died of a heart attack, a published report said Friday.

Maggie Neilson of Woodstock told the Kingston Daily Freeman her father, James L. Worthington, Jr., 53, also of Woodstock, died of a heart attack while being held in Iraq.

The Texas native was a bank consultant for the Alahai Bank of Kuwait, his daughter told the paper. He was in Basra, Iraq, when stricken.

Neilson went to the newspaper despite her mother's wishes to keep the matter private, the Freeman reported.

Neilson said she learned of her father's death Monday in a call from the State Department.

Worthington's wife, Katharine Worthington, could not be reached for comment.

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#90243u1079 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange scored new gains Friday with buy orders withstanding profit taking pressure.

The key 225-issue Nikkei average, which gained 775.17 points Thursday, advanced another 308.41 points - or 1.2 percent of its value. The Nikkei closed at 25,978.37.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index, or TOPIX, capped its 44.60-point performance Thursday with a 17.95-point gain. The broader index, a measure of all shares traded on the exchange's first section, closed at 1,973.97.

Volume was the heaviest in weeks, with an estimated 600 million shares changing hands, compared with 576.34 million Thursday. Brokers said the market may have found its holding level after a month and a half of sharp losses.

Advances led declines by more than 2 to 1.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks gained ground in moderate trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, riding a wave of European-based institutional buying.

The Hang Seng Index climbed 23.31 points to close at 3091.41. The gain followed a rise of 48.24 points Thursday and gave the market a gain of 169.49 for the week.

Volume was moderate at 978 million units, up from Thursday's 920 million.

Prices closed higher in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange fueled by the Tokyo rally and bargain hunting.

The Straits Times Industrial Index rose 18.24 to 1277.87.

The All Singapore Index rose 5.27 to 358.53.

The exchange recorded a turnover of 67.16 million units.

Prices closed almost unchanged on the Sydney Stock Exchange on conflicting indications from Wall Street and Tokyo, brokers said.

The All Ordinaries Index ended up a mere 3.7 points at 1507.6.

The All Industrials Index rose 5.3 to 2271.7 and the All Resources Index 2.4 to 915.6.

National turnover was 95.1 million shares.

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#90243u1080 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Hopes are diminishing that today's talks between the U-N secretary general and Iraq's foreign minister will lead to a resolution of the Persian Gulf crisis. Upon his arrival for the session in Amman, Jordan the Iraqi official gave NO indication that Baghdad will agree totrategy'' in response to the Gulf crisis. Watkins says in a New York Times interview that the plan calls for stabilizing oil markets by raising domestic production and encouraging conservation.

South Africa's ruling National Party is abandoning 42 years of exclusively white rule. The party today announced that it plans to open its membership to all races. President Frederik de Klerk told the first round of the party's annual congresses that power-sharing among all population groups offers- in his words- the ''only workable framework for a stable new South Africa.''

Police in Gainesville, Florida, are questioning several people in the slayings of five students near the University of Florida campus. The Orlando Sentinel quotes police sources as saying one of the suspects is an 18-year-old student arrested yesterday for beating his grandmother.

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#90243u1097 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - The ink is drying on a German reunification treaty signed today in East Berlin. East and West Germany formally approved their plan to merge on October 3rd, ending more than four decades of division. The treaty is still subject to ratification by the two German Parliaments.

Connecticut authorities say two of Amtrak's Montrealer trains struck pedestrians early today in similar but separate accidents in the northeastern part of the state. The accidents left a 31-year-old man dead in Mansfield... and an unidentified man seriously injured near Franklin. Both men had been lying near the tracks.

Missouri prison officials executed George Gilmore by lethal injection today for the 1979 slaying of an elderly woman. The Supreme Court twice denied a stay of execution for Gilmore, who was convicted of slaying an 83-year-old in a crime spree by a gang that targeted elderly and handicapped victims.

Residents of Virginia Beach, Virginia, are ready for the thousands of young people expected to descend on the area for the Labor Day weekend. Officials began planning months in advance to avoid the unrest that erupted last year at a beach party for students of historically black colleges.

#90243u1199 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) UPI - Animal tests used by the government to determine whether chemicals pose a cancer risk to humans are virtually worthless for gauging low-level threats found in daily life, scientists claimed.

However, other experts countered Thursday that, despite their weaknesses, traditional mouse and rat tests remain the best way to protect the public from chemicals with cancer-causing potential.

In articles published in two leading scientific journals, Bruce Ames and Lois Gold of the University of California-Berkeley spelled out their objections to the routine use of high-dose tests in rodents to determine if a chemical constitutes a serious cancer risk.

The major problem lies in the enormous levels of chemicals given the test animals, said Ames and Gold, noting recent evidence indicates it is likely the quantity - not the makeup - of a chemical that triggers tumor formation.

High doses of chemicals, both natural and man-made, frequently spur rapid cell division that leads to cancer, while such cell division does not occur at low doses, they said.

A computer study by the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, published in the journal Science along with Ames' commentary, also found that cell proliferation appears to be the primary way chemicals which do not damage genetic material cause cancer.

In papers published in Procedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Ames and Gold reiterate their past claims that man-made chemicals pose no greater cancer risk as a group than natural chemicals found in fruit, vegetables or spring water.

About half of the 77 natural chemicals tested in high-dose rodent tests caused cancer in the animals - about the same proportion as has been found for the 350 synthetic chemicals checked in that manner, they noted.

In addition, they estimated the average American's intake of natural carcinogens found in foods like coffee, cabbage and mushrooms is about 1500 milligrams per day - far greater than the average daily intake of .09 milligrams from man-made pesticide residues.

''We have to rethink our current testing system. What it does is focus attention on very minor things,'' Ames said. ''A lot of assumptions about what consistutes a cancer risk are turning out not to be true.''

The California researcher said high-dose rodent tests are probably only valuable for situations where people would be exposed to very high chemical concentrations, like in the workplace or when taking medication.

''These tests are not useful for telling anything about cancer risk at very low doses,'' Ames said.

However, he offered no alternative way of checking chemicals for cancer-causing potential at low levels like those found in pesticide-treated fruit or dioxin-contaminated soil.

Ellen Silbergeld, senior scientist with the Enviromental Defense Fund, said the track record of high-dose rodent tests has been pretty good. ''Overall, every human carcinogen causes cancers in animals. And as far as the other way, we do not know of any animal carcinogen that has been shown not to cause cancer in humans,'' she said.

Silbergeld emphasized high-dose tests only signal that a chemical has the power to cause cancer and are not intended to establish the dose at which the cancer threat occurs. However, results of such tests have been used to fuel public concerns over chemicals like Alar, which was withdrawn last year after the Natural Resources Defense Council released a report suggesting eating apples bearing traces of the growth-promoting chemical posed a cancer threat.

''High-dose tests are really just to answer 'yes' or 'no' to the question if a chemical could be a carcinogen,'' she said.

For intial screening, large doses are necessary because a chemical must be either to shown to cause or not cause tumors in a relatively small group of mice over a relatively short period of time, she said. Mimicking the low-level exposure that humans might experience over a lifetime would be too costly and time consuming to do for every chemical in rodents.

Other screening options being explored, such as a test-tube system developed by Ames that exposes bacteria to possible cancer-causing substances, have met with even stronger obejections from chemical makers, who feel the tests are unduly open to interpretation, she said.

''What do they propose we do to look at suspect chemicals - nothing? Should we let everybody get exposed and then 30 years later say 'We are sorry, you are sick or dying.' That's immoral,'' Silbergeld said. ''Are we going to repeat what we did with substances like lead and asbestos - wait until we have human data that a substance out there is dangerous?''

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#90243u1206 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Polish Solidarity founder Lech Walesa is vowing to continue the revolution he began 10 years ago that resulted in the overthrow of communism in Poland. Speaking on the 10th anniversary of the legalization of Solidarity, Walesa says that many communists still hold important jobs in government and should be fired. He spoke from the same Gdansk shipyard hall where the accord legalizing Solidarity was signed.

Police are searching for a gunman who shot and killed former New York state Senator Vander Beatty at his Democratic campaign office. Police say they found a car believed used in yesterday's crime abandoned near Beatty's office in Brooklyn. Beatty was once a powerful political activist who was brought down by scandal. He served two jail terms and only recently was released.

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#90243u1212 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for August 30: Purchases of 353,499 shares and sales of 576,656 shares including 127,848 shares sold short.

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#90243u1217 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

RENO, Nev. (AUG. 31) UPI - A lawyer says he will appeal a judge's ruling that subliminal messages in the music of the rock group Judas Priest did not cause the death of two young men.

Vivian Lynch, representing the family of James Vance, said District Judge Jerry Whitehead will be asked to reconsider his ruling and, if that fails, the appeal will be carried to the Nevada Supreme Court.

Lynch said Thursday the judge was wrong when he ruled there was insufficient evidence to show hidden messages caused Vance and Raymond Belknap to shoot themselves after drinking beer, smoking marijuana and listening to hours of the Judas Priest record ''Stained Class''.

Whitehead ruled there was a subliminal message - ''do it'' - on the record caused unintentionally several times by the exhalation of the singer and a guitar sound but that there was no evidence to show these prompted the suicide pact.

Lynch also said the judge was wrong in his ruling on the message. She said the attorneys had only to prove the messages existed. There was no requirement, she said to prove they had been intentionally placed on the record.

Belknap, 18, and Vance, 20, shot themselves on Dec. 23, 1985. Belknap died instantly. Vance blew away the lower part of his face and died three years later of complications from the wound and from prescription drugs.

Suellen Fulstone, a lawyer for Judas Priest and CBS Records, said she was surprised by the announcement of an appeal. But she said she may file a cross-appeal on the judge's ruling that subliminal messages are not protected by the constitutional right of free speech.

The judge said the lyrics are protected by the First Amendment but not any messages or phrases that are hidden on the record.

The families had sought $6.2 million in damages.

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#90243u1252 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) UPI - The National Association of Realtors said Friday its housing affordability index dipped to 102.3 in July from 102.9 in June as the median price of a home increased $900 to $97,500.

''Home buyers lost a marginal amount of purchasing power in July,'' the group said. But the ''decline was offset by a decrease in the interest rate used to calculate the index, and an increase in median family income.''

When the index stands at 100, the median family income equals the exact amount needed to qualify to purchase a median-price home with conventional financing and a 20 percent down payment.

''At 102.3, the index shows that a family earning the national median income of $34,358 for July had 102.3 percent of the income needed to qualify for conventional financing covering 80 percent of a home priced at $98,400, the median existing-home price for that month,'' the group said.

The mortgage rate used to calculate the index combines closing rates of both fixed-rate mortgages and adjustable-rate mortgages for existing homes as reported by the Federal Housing Finance Board.

In July:

-A family earning $20,000 annually would have had sufficient income to qualify for a $58,500 home using a $46,800 loan;

-A family earning $30,000 would have qualified for an $87,800 home with a $70,200 loan;

-A family earning $40,000 would have had enough income to qualify for a

$117,000 home with a $93,600 loan;

-A family with a $50,000 income would have qualified for a $146,300 home with a $117,000 loan.

In the months ahead, ''Home buyers in America will get hit by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait,'' said Norman Flynn, president of the 800,000-member industry group. ''First-time buyers will get hit ''roup. ''

''Unfortunately, entry-level buyers who might have just qualified to purchase a home in June or July may now find themselves priced out of the market,'' Flynn said.

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#90243u1278 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

ST. LOUIS (AUG. 31) UPI - Apex Oil Co., which filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy in late 1987, implemented a reorganization plan recently approved by a federal bankruptcy judge.

The plan's implementation Thursday followed completion of loan arrangements with Banque Paribas of New York and Banque Indosuez of Geneva and making disbursements required by the reorganization plan.

''We are out of bankruptcy,'' Apex Oil President Tony Novelly said. ''We always knew this would come and now that it's here, we can concentrate our full attention on making the most out of Apex Oil's bright future.''

The court-approved plan, filed in conjunction with 53 debtor affiliates, provides unsecured creditors with up to $60 million in cash and debt securities.

Under the plan, unsecured creditors would receive up to $20 million in cash, $20 million in seven-year notes secured by Apex assets to be sold over the next two years, and $20 million in 10-year notes guaranteed by Clark Oil Trading Co.

When Apex filed for protection from creditors Dec. 24, 1987, its primary bank lenders, Chase Manhattan Bank and Centerre Bank, began foreclosure proceedings.

After the filing, the banks sought liquidation of the company for payment of $550 million the banks claimed to be owed.

However, Apex claimed the company was viable and worth more than the amount owed the banks. The bankruptcy court agreed, and ruled against liquidation.

The secured claims of the bank lenders were satisfied in November 1988, when Apex sold the refining and retail marketing assets of Clark Oil and Refining Corp. for $1 billion.

Apex said Thursday it would concentrate on oil trading, oil terminal operations, and shipping.

''We are confident that our strength in these business areas ensures the success of Apex,'' Novelly said.

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#90243u1298 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

GDANSK, POLAND (AUG. 31) UPI - Solidarity founder Lech Walesa vowed Friday to continue the revolution he began 10 years ago that resulted in the abolishment of communism in Poland.

On the 10th anniversary of the legalization of Solidarity, and speaking in the same Gdansk shipyard hall where the legalization agreement with the former communist government was signed, Walesa reviewed the ups and downs of a decade culminating in the formation of the Solidarity-led government now headed by his former aide, Tadeusz Mazowiecki.

''The revolution started here in 1980,'' said Walesa, wearing a gray suit, a Solidarity badge pinned to its lapel. ''The revolution is not yet over. We cannot leave the job we started, unfinished.''

Walesa said that many communists still hold managerial jobs and should be fired in the second stage of the revolution.

A disagreement over keeping former communists in government is one of the main issues splitting Walesa and Mazowiecki, whose administration is not yet a year old.

Walesa did not spare his former aide, who sat next to him in the conference hall, from criticism, saying Mazowiecki's government has been slow in implementing reforms.

''Many things have gone too slowly,'' Walesa said, to applause.

The Solidarity leader criticized communist President Wojciech Jaruzelski, who imposed martial law on Dec. 13, 1981, to crush the union after 16 months of operation.

''He and the others who did it will be judged by history and God,'' said Walesa, who has launched a campaign to replace Jaruzelski as president.

Mazowiecki and Walesa talked privately for an hour in the residence of

Bishop Tadeusz Goclowski in an effort to smooth out their differences.

Walesa advocates presidential elections this year, while Mazowiecki wants them next spring.

Acting like a presidential candidate, Walesa struck one of his main themes: that Solidarity should have many voices, and its members should not be forced only to support the administration.

''We should differ if we want to be normal,'' he said. ''We cannot allow the former inhuman socialist democracy to be replaced by democracy of Solidarity.''

Mazowiecki, looking pale and solemn following an acrimonious meeting Thursday with hostile shipyard workers, made a low-profile speech with references to God and religion. Some observers compared him to a priest talking to his parishioners.

''We can be opponents but will never be enemies,'' he said, in answer to Walesa's criticism of his performance.

Conceding that times are difficult and people are suffering under austerity measures, Mazowiecki paraphrased one of the Psalms from the Bible, asking God to feed the nation with patience and endurance.

''Lord will give strength to its nation to meet the challange of the historical moment,'' he said.

Several hundred Solidarity activists and 80 union representatives from across the world, including Lane Kirkland, the chairman of the American AFL-CIO labor federation, took part in the observance.

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#90243u1307 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (AUG. 31) UPI - Compaq Computer Corp. is faced with a number of its notebook-sized laptop computers developing hairline cracks after a couple of months of use.

The cracks are developing along the sides of the LTE and the LTE 286 models, which were introduced in October 1989 and are the largest selling laptop computers in the notebook-sized category, company spokeswoman Debra Globe said Thursday.

The tiny fractures, developing along the outside of some cases, are the first widespread defect Compaq has experienced on a product shipped to the market, Globe said.

The Houston-based manufacturer is reimbursing dealers for replacement of the plastic cases on the laptop machines. Meanwhile, plastics experts at the plant are searching for the cause of the problem.

Until a cause is found, Compaq has extended the one-year warranty on the computers an extra year to cover the plastic case, Globe said.

''I think it's a pretty complex problem, and we've been looking at the type of plastics used, the process and all those factors and we really can't point to any one thing,'' Globe said.

''If and when we come up with a better material with the replacement plastics we would start shippping that to the field as soon as that is available.''

The market research firm of StoreBoard/Computer Intelligence said Compaq had sold 84,777 of the laptops through July. Globe said Compaq does not know how many machines have developed cracks.

The hairline fractures are considered to be cosmetic and will not affect the operation of the computer, she said.

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#90243u1328 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) UPI - An increase in the price of metals and minerals helped lift non-oil commodity prices on world markets in July, the World Bank said.

Yet at 90.3 with a basis of 100 for 1979-81, the multilateral organization's index for non-fuel commodities was 1.8 percent lower than a year earlier, meaning that commodity exporting countries get less money for their products.

Metal prices rose in July mostly in response to dwindling supplies and tight markets, despite a seasonal downturn in demand, the bank said Thursday.

Nickel prices surged 10.6 percent, partly because a strike at a smelter in New Caledonia raised concerns about supplies, prompting panic buying. Erratic supplies from the Soviet Union also contributed to the panic, the bank said.

News of a strike at a large U.S. mine and a decline in production in Chile led to a 7.2 percent price increase for copper. Threats of strikes in Peru continuing production problems in Zambia and Zaire, and strong demand in Europe and East Asia contributed to the price hike.

Lead prices rose 4.5 percent on news of strikes in Canada. The London Metals Exchange price of aluminum inched up 0.3 percent, while zinc prices tumbled 4.5 percent after a labor dispute at Canada's Trail Smelter was settled earlier than expected.

The bank said that food prices slid 0.3 percent in July. Increased production of palm kernel oil and large volumes of coconut-oil exports from the Philippines contributed to the lower prices.

The price of sugar dropped 7.7 percent in July after an 11.5 percent plunge in June because of expected record harvests in Cuba, India, and several European countries.

Expectations of good harvests in 1990 caused prices for wheat and corn to fall 7.8 percent and 5 percent, respectively.

While many food prices dropped in July, banana prices in the United States jumped 18 percent. A strike by 10,000 banana workers in Honduras, the world's second largest exporter of the fruit, disrupted supplies, leading to higher prices, the World Bank said.

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#90243u1334 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL (AUG. 31) UPI - South Korea's Ssangyong Oil Refinery Co. Friday said it has signed a one-year contract with Saudi Arabia for 60,000 barrels of crude oil a day to help offset imports lost by the U.N. embargo of Iraq and Kuwait.

A spokesman for the Seoul-based company said deliveries from Saudi Arabia's Aramco will begin next month.

South Korea has suffered a shortfall of 110,000 barrels a day in its crude supplies since imports from Iraq and Kuwait were cut off by the U.N. embargo imposed in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The shortfall amounted to 12 percent of the country's daily needs.

The deal is the first long-term contract for the import of Saudi crude since June 1988 though South Korea purchased 19 million barrels of Saudi products on world spot markets during the first half of this year, the spokesman said.

South Korea relied heavily on imports from Saudi Arabia until the late 1970s but the Saudi share has been steadily declining under a government policy to diversify crude supply sources.

Negotiations have been under way with Mexico, Iran, Malaysia and Yemen for

additional crude supplies, the spokesman said.

Government officials, said imports from Iran, thus far the main supplier for Ssangyong, will soon increase its supply by 25,000 barrels a day and another 25,000 barrels daily will be imported from Mexico starting in September.

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#90243u1347 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

TEL AVIV, ISRAEL (AUG. 31) UPI - Jordan has aided Iraq during the Persian gulf crisis by carrying out reconnaissance flights along the Saudi border and helping to circumvent the U.N. embargo against Iraq, Israeli military sources said Friday.

The military sources, who spoke on condition they not be identified, said it is possible war in the gulf can be avoided because Iraq's strategy at this time is to buy time and not provoke a military confrontation with the United States.

They said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein appears to hope that a lengthy standoff in the gulf will cause the U.S.-led international alliance against Iraq to fall apart, permitting a political solution giving Iraq some territorial gains.

However, the analysts predicted, Iraq will respond forcefully if attacked and could strike at Israel if its situation becomes desperate.

The sources said ties between Jordan and Iraq had strengthened during the gulf crisis and now included the sharing of military intelligence and training as well as the circumventing of the U.N. embargo against Iraq.

''In the last week, we have seen several instances of Jordan carrying out reconnaissance flights on the Saudi border and we believe those are in the service of Iraq,'' one source said.

The surveys were done by American-made F-5 jets and covered an area of several dozen kilometers into Saudi Arabia, they said.

The sources also said it ''quite likely'' Jordanian military experts were training Iraqi how to use Hawk anti-ballistic missiles captured in Kuwait.

The sources also accused Jordan of supporting the U.N. embargo against Iraq while helping break it.

Jordan has agreed to support the U.N. embargo but said food and medicine would be exempt and that normal trade between Iraq and Jordan would continue.

''They can import for themselves and by bilateral channels can send those goods to Iraq. Israel feels that's what they are doing now,'' one source said.

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#90243u1367 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-82.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 133.00-137.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $250.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50- 4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $110.00-$115.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $480.00-$490.00; dealer- approx., $483.00-$488.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $114.00-$122.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 281.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

#90243u1369 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
PARIS (AUG. 31) UPI - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz hinted in an interview published Friday that his government would support international terrorist acts if the Western powers declare war against Baghdad.

In his first interview with a Western newspaper since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2, Aziz also told the Paris daily Le Figaro that the U.S. military intervention in the Persian Gulf had prevented an Arab solution to the crisis. He insisted Iraq had no plans to invade Saudi Arabia.

Asked if he categorically rejected terrorism, Aziz said, ''That depends on the attitude of the Western world. If it declares war on us, our obligations toward it would end.

''Either we decide to behave in a civilized manner toward each other through the respect of international law and through peaceful coexistence, in which case we say that terrorist acts are outlawed, ... or the Arab people are threatened with genocide,'' he said.

''Then why should we worry about American interests in the region? Why should I be concerned about France's stability if Paris sends warships to bomb Iraq and kill Iraqis?'' the foreign minister asked.

''If you do not give us the chance (to live in peace), if you use imperialist methods, if you threaten Iraq with your ships and planes, then I am free from all moral engagements toward the French, American or British governments.''

Aziz, who met Friday with U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar in Amman, Jordan, to discuss the gulf crisis, said he did not know what the United Nations chief had in mind when he asked for the meeting.

The foreign minister criticized Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak for having allegedly closed the door to an Arab solution of the conflict by supporting President Bush's decision to send ground forces to the region.

''Saudi Arabia called for these troops because she thought herself threatened by Iraq,'' Aziz said. ''We are ready to give her all the guarantees possible. But if the Saudis want to feel even more secure, they can ask for an Arab force to replace that of the United States.''

The foreign minister said, however, that there was no chance his country would evacuate Kuwait because the emirate had historically been part of Iraq.

''The French-German frontiers and the Turkish-Iranian frontiers have a historical and geographic significance,'' he said. Not those of ''e,'' he said. Not those of

''If Saudi Arabia claimed Qatar as part of its territory, I would support that claim. I tell you frankly, Qatar does not have a historical reality '' Azizis government has never said it will let them leave in exchange for a ransom payment.

Aziz said that the women and children Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has promised to release should receive their exit visas Friday, and confirmed that women and children under 18 years of age being held in Kuwait will also benefit from the decision to allow them to leave.

He said journalists and businessmen who arrived in Iraq after the Aug. 2 invasion would also be allowed to leave Iraq wihtout problem.

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#90243u1397 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 31) UPI - Grain and soybean futures were mixed at midmorning on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Short-covering ahead of the Labor Day weekend provided most of the support. The market will be closed Monday.

Locals, commercials and commission houses dominated the early buying across the floor.

Nearby soybeans were firm as delivery notices for the September contract were lighter than expected.

There were no deliveries of corn, and notices for September wheat were at the low end of trade expectations.

Nearly ideal growing conditions continued to pressure both corn and soybeans with favorable weather predicted for the next 30 days.

The large world supply weighed on wheat prices, as did news that India will export 1 million tons of wheat during this marketing year.

Basis levels were steady to firm on the lack of farmer selling.

South Korea bought 50,000 tons of corn overnight, otherwise the export markets were quiet.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.47 up 1 3/4; Dec 2.34 3/4 up 1 1/4; Mar 2.43 1/4 up 1.

Soybeans Sep 6.05 up 2 1/2; Nov 6.18 3/4 up 1 3/4; Jan 6.31 1/4 up 3/4; Mar 6.45 up 1 1/2.

Wheat Sep 2.67 up 1/4; Dec 2.82 3/4 off 1/4; Mar 2.93 1/2 off 1/2.

Oats Sep 1.04 1/4 up 3 1/4; Dec 1.17 up 2 3/4; Mar 1.28 3/4 up 2 3/4.

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#90243u1412 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (AUG. 31) UPI - Bulk selling prices reported by USDA:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 57-63.

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(AUG. 31) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Medex Inc	A	.10	10-5	9-24
Peoples Bancorp Wor	Q	.31	10-19	10-2
Thomas Nelson Pub	Q	.04	11-19	11-5
Special				
Fst Fncl Russellville	..	.25	9-25	9-17
Usual				
EDO Corp	Q	.07	9-28	9-10
Falls Financial Inc	..	.156	9-21	9-7
G&K Services	Q	.02 1/2	10-1	9-17
Haverfield Corp	..	.11	9-28	9-14
Times Mirror Co	Q	.27	12-10	11-23
United Illuminating	Q	.58	10-1	9-10
Washington Natl	Q	.27	10-1	9-11

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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#90243u1455 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
BRUSSELS, Belgium (AUG. 31) UPI - The European Parliament will send a six-member delegation to the Persian Gulf region next week and will debate the gulf crisis later in September, officials said Friday.

The delegation, which will leave Monday, plans to visit Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Jordan and Tunisia. It will include members of the European Parliament from Italy, Britain, France and West Germany, representing a broad range of political parties.

A plenary session of the Parliament in Strasbourg, France, on Sept. 12, will be devoted to the gulf crisis.

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#90243u1459 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
OMAHA (AUG. 31) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves None.

Hogs 1,100; butchers fully steady; No 1-3 220-270 lb 53.50-54.00, under 260 lb mainly 54.00; sows under 500 lb steady to 1.00 higher, over 500 lb steady to 1.00 lower; No 1-3 350-500 lb 45.50-46.00, No 2-3 500- 650 lb 51.00-53.00.

Sheep None.

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#90243u1492 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady..

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 63-66.

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#90243u1497 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, shifting the focus of the Persian Gulf crisis from military confrontation to diplomatic talks, met Friday with Iraq's foreign minister amid moves by

Baghdad to begin releasing Western women and children.

''The foreigners in Iraq have been have been assembled at the Melia Mansour Hotel to prepare for their departure,'' Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz told Jordanian television in an interview before meeting with Perez de Cuellar in Amman.

Amid signs Iraq was making good on President Saddam Hussein's promise Tuesday to release all foreign women and children from Iraq and occupied Kuwait, both Perez de Cuellar and Aziz played down chances of a diplomatic resolution to the crisis.

''The Arab nation will achieve all of its aims despite the international conspiracies and challenges we face,'' Aziz said. ''Our battle is an historic one and we must fight it with honor, and victory will be on our side.''

He gave no indication Iraq would agree to U.N. resolutions demanding it withdraw from Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2.

Aziz told reporters, ''I came hear to hear what de Cuellar has to say, and especially about the Security Council resolutions.''

In addition to demanding an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, the U.N. Security Council has approved resolutions imposing economic sanctions on Iraq, authorizing the use of ''measures commensurate to the specific circumstances'' to enforce the boycott, and calling for the release of foreigners.

Saddam has declared his annexation of Kuwait is irreversible and called for withdrawal of the massive multinational force. He also has said ''arrangements'' could be made on the issue of Kuwait if Israel pulled out of occupied territories and Syria withdrew from Lebanon.

Iraqi authorities hold thousands of Westerners captive in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait as protection against attack by a U.S.-led multinational force deployed in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf.

President Bush, who has appealed to the world to share the cost of Operation Desert Shield, spoke by phone Friday with Saudi King Fahd, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and French President Francois Mitterrand to discuss burden-sharing and the situation in the Gulf.

''All the leaders emphasized the need for continued cooperative effort to maintain the international community's steadfast stand against the Iraqi aggression in Kuwait,'' said White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater.

British and Swedish jofficials said Iraq began issuing exit visas to some

women and children Friday.

In London, the Foreign Office said 139 British women and children have received exit visas from Iraq. A spokesman said it was told the first batch of foreigners would fly out of Baghdad Saturday on an Iraqi Airways jet.

The Swedish Foreign Ministry said only some of the Swedish women and children had been given visas.

''We are not sure why all our women and children have not received visas but the rest are expected to receive them tomorrow,'' Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Anita Matejonski said. There are about 90 Swedes in Iraq and Kuwait, according to Baghdad Radio.

Matejonski said Sweden's ambassador to Iraq informed his government that Swedes were ''likely'' to leave Baghdad Saturday.

The British Broadcasting Corp. also reported that 19 Italian women and children arrived in Amman from Baghdad.

Japan's Foreign Ministry said 311 Japanese were taken to Iraqi military and industrial sites between Aug. 25 and 26. The men were still there Friday but the 68 women and children in the group arrived in Baghdad for possible repatriation.

Japanese television stations interviewed some of the Japanese women, who said they were not sure where they had been taken. One said she had been in a steel plant in northern Iraq. The women said some Europeans were taken to the sites with them but their fate remained unclear.

Tokyo said it was ready to airlift about 500 Japanese citizens out of Baghdad on a chartered Japan Airlines jet but Iraqi authorities indicated they prefer to organize the departure of foreigners themselves.

The United States has accused Iraq of acting disgracefully and playing with people's emotions by plunging the departure procedure into a web of red tape.

Arab League foreign ministers meeting in Cairo to discuss the crisis worked on a communique that would condem Iraq's treatment of foreign diplomats in occupied Kuwait. Saddam ordered foreign missions in the emirate to close but many countries defied the order.

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#90243u1512 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Foreign officials say Iraq today began issuing exit visas

to some women and children held in its country. Britain says it was told the first batch of foreigners will fly out tomorrow. President Bush telephoned the leaders of England, France, and Saudi Arabia to stress the importance of sticking together in the Persian Gulf crisis.

The daughter of a man from Woodstock, New York, says her father died of a heart attack while in Iraqi hands. Maggie Neilsen told a reporter that her father was a bank consultant for a bank in Kuwait. A State Department official today confirmed that the man was 53-year-old James Worthington.

A Houston oil company today said it has fired and cut off salaries to six workers detained in Kuwait. O-G-E Drilling says it is ''deeply grieved'' but was forced into the action by the cutoff of its payments from the Middle East. The company says it is establishing a bank fund to provide money for the families of its trapped workers.

More NASA woes at Cape Canaveral, Florida, where the shuttle Columbia launch was delayed from tomorrow until at least the middle of next week. Columbia is already running three months behind schedule because of a fuel leak. Engineers must make repairs on a faulty telescope. In the meantime, the shuttle Discovery will be moved to a nearby pad to prepare for an October launch.

Police in Gainesville, Florida, are looking at ''a pool of suspects'' in the slayings of five college students in apartments near the University of Florida campus. Police refuse to say whether a prime suspect is an 18-year-old man who once lived in the apartment complex where two of the victims were found dead earlier this week.

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#90243u1514 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

VATICAN CITY (AUG. 31) UPI - Pope John Paul II starts his seventh visit to Africa Saturday to demonstrate his determination to bring world attention to some of the poorest countries of the continent.

For 11 days, John Paul will tour Tanzania and its small neighboring republics of Burundi and Rwanda, with a 21-hour visit to the Ivory Coast in West Africa on his homeward flight to bless a controversial new cathedral which is a copy of St. Peter's Basilica.

He is scheduled to leave Rome Saturday at Saturday for the Tanzanian capital of Dar-es-Salaam at 5 p.m. with a brief refuelling stop at Malta's Luqa airport on the way.

It is John Paul's 49th trip outside Italy since he was elected head of the Roman Catholic Church in October 1978.

Since 1980, the pope has visited African countries every year and his new tour is his second this year. In January he visited five countries of the drought-stricken Sahel region in West and Central Africa.

On each visit, his appeals to the rich industrial countries to come to the aid of poverty-ridden Africa have become more urgent and dramatic. In scores of speeches he has reflected his horrified despair at the abysmal level of hunger and despair he has witnessed.

At the same time, his African trips support the surge of the Roman Catholic church in Africa, where the Vatican says church membership has swelled by 24 million to 79 million since John Paul made his first visit to the continent in 1980.

In the East African republic of Tanzania, twice the size of California, the pope's visit comes at a particularly critical time.

The nation of 26 million is bankrupt following the failure of 23 years of former President Julius Nyerere' ''African Socialism'' - a mixture of Marxist economy and traditional techniques. Tanzania is almost entirely dependent on foreign aid.

Nyerere, a devout Catholic, handed over the presidency in 1965 to Ali Hassan Mwinyi, 65, a moderate Moslem. This month Nyerere handed over to Mwinyi the leadership of Tanzania's only political party - Chama Cha Mapinduzi, the party of the Revolution.

Presidential elections - only the second since Tanzania became independent in December 1961 - are scheduled for October and Mwinyi is considered certain to win.

One result of these changes is that the strength of the Moslem Fundamentalist movement has been growing steadily in the Dar-es-Salaam, which for centuries was a base for Arab slave traders.

Moslems form about half of the capital's 1.6 million population. But in the country as a whole they make up only 32 percent as against 44 percent Christians, of whom 22 percent are Catholics.

In Burundi and Rwanda, small landlocked states at the northwest corner of Tanzania which won independence from Belgium in 1962, some 60 percent of the population are Catholics.

Both republics have a long history of strife between the rival Tutsi and Hutu tribes, with hundreds of thousands killed since 1959. But in recent years they have achieved relative political stability.

However they remain among Africa's poorest and most densely populated

nations. In Rwanda, the population is growing at a rate of 3.7 percent a year and women on average have nine children each.

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#90243u1521 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (AUG. 31) UPI - China Friday pleaded for international cooperation in next month's Asian Games in the government's first acknowledgment of a threat by 10 Middle East nations to boycott the event unless Iraq is barred from participating.

State television's evening news broadcast featured a lengthy statement by an unidentified Chinese Olympic Committee official calling on all countries participating in China's first international sports event to lay aside political issues.

''The International Olympic Committee does not stand for bringing political disputes into sports, and the Chinese Olympic Committee also hopes that no political dispute will be brought into the 11th Asian Games '' the official was quoted as saying.

While there was no mention of a threatened boycott, the announcement appeared to be aimed at reports some Middle East nations have proposed they will withdraw from the Asian Games if Iraq participates.

A senior official from the Olympic Council of Asia said Wednesday in Bangkok that 10 Arab countries recently agreed to urge the International Olympic Committee and the OCA to suspend Iraq from participating in international sports events or face a boycott

If the Olympic Council of Asia decided in favor of the proposal, China would presumably have the right to bar Iraq from the Asian Games but would be loath to take such a strong stand.

China has agreed to stop lucrative weapons sales to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's regime and cautiously aligned itself with the West by supporting an international embargo against Iraq following its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

But Beijing appears to be trying to keep a low profile towards the conflict for fear of weakening its strong Third World ties.

China has distanced itself from Western calls for the use of force in the region and quietly evacuated its embassy in Kuwait last weekend in capitulation to Iraq's demands that all foreign missions close in recognition of the conquest.

The OCA official, treasurer Santiparp Tejavanija, declined to name the 10

Arab nations planning to boycott but said Yemen and Jordan were not among them and discounted a Lebanese claim that it would participate.

Lebanese Ambassador to China Farid Samaha told United Press International this week that Lebanon was participating as planned.

Officials from the embassies of Qatar, Oman and Kuwait in Beijing made similar statements.

China Friday called on ''the Olympic committees of countries in regions in Asia'' to guarantee the success of next month's much- publicized event.

''The Olympic committees of the 38 countries and regions in Asia which have already sent their entries to the forthcoming Asian games are welcome to participate as scheduled in the Olympic spirit . . . and under the motto of the current Asian Games - 'unity, friendship and progress,''' the statement said.

China said Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich neighbor Kuwait has ''caused tension in the gulf region'' and Beijing expressed hopes the crisis would be resolved peacefully at an early date.

An Asian Games boycott would be a great blow to Beijing's efforts to restore its international image following the June 1989 crackdown on democracy advocates.

The capital is plastered with red and white banners extolling Asian unity and harmony in preparation for the quadrennial Games opening Sept. 22.

Official propaganda also lauds China's extreme measures to prevent any disruptions reminiscent of last year's nationwide democracy protests. The state media has announced hundreds of executions in what many reports have called a campaign to ''make China safe'' for the 16- day event in the capital.

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#90243u1536 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - A spokesman for South Africa's Conservative Party calls it ''the last straw,'' adding- quoting here- ''white voters will NOT stand for it.'' The reaction came in response to an annoucement by the ruling National Party that it will end 42 years of exclusively white rule and open its membership to all races.

A northern Illinois community is picking up the pieces three days after the wost tornado to hit the Chicago area since a twister killed 55 people in 1967. Relatives are making funeral arrangments today for the 26 people killed in the massive storm... while clean-up crews shovel tons of debris

into dump trucks.

A Connecticut man died on the operating table after getting struck by an Amtrak train while sleeping on the grade between the rails in Franklin, Connecticut. The accident was one of two today- with another Amtrak train hitting and killing another man earlier today about 12 miles south, in Mansfield.

Pope John Paul travels to Africa tomorrow to bring world attention to some of the poorest countries of the continent. For 11 days... John Paul will tour Tanzania and its small neighboring republics of Burundi and Rwanda. He also will bless a controversial new cathedral in the Ivory Coast. It is a copy of St. Peter's Basilica.

A report finds many U-S companies evade health laws by exporting work to Mexico. The National Safe Work place Institute says Mexican workers are routinely exposed to dangerous levels of hazardous chemicals. The report also says an ''alarming'' number of retarded children have been born to Mexican mothers who work in U-S-owned plants.

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#90243u1582 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

MEXICO CITY (AUG. 31) UPI - Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari has been compared to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, with the media eagerly dubbing his economic reforms as ''Salinastroika.''

His ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, this weekend holds its 14th National Assembly, and major reforms are in the offing - reforms that mean confrontation with organized labor.

''There are going to be big changes in the party,'' one cartoon character says to another in a recent Mexican newspaper. ''Youth is winning out over the 'dinosaurs' in the struggle to modernize.

''Gorbachev is all set to pass into history as the great reformer,'' he concludes - at which his friend walks away with a befuddled look.

In drawing a parallel with changes in the Soviet Union, the cartoon points to the need for a political counterpart to back up Salinas's economic reforms.

In its 60 years of uninterrupted rule, maintained by means fair and foul, the PRI has advocated varying degrees of mixed economy, but now Mexico is preparing for an international market system, opening up to foreign investment and goods and selling often inefficient state-owned industries as part of a modernization drive.

Salinas took office in December 1988 amid widespread skepticism after winning slightly more than 50 percent of the vote, much less than his predecessors. The government faced charges of electoral fraud from both left and right, and the PRI's share of seats in the Chamber of Deputies was down from 72 percent to 53 percent.

With congressional elections set for 1991, Salinas is aiming to reform the party with one obvious item on the agenda: to tackle the 3 million-member Mexican Workers Confederation, the CTM, the country's biggest labor organization and considered a bastion of Mexico's political ''dinosaurs.''

One of Salinas's main goals is to end the CTM's traditional role in picking a certain number of gubernatorial and congressional candidates, a practice that in the past has meant several million guaranteed votes for the ruling party.

As workers become more and more disillusioned with labor's performance on their behalf, the CTM is losing votes and its candidates need increasingly blatant fraud to win, according to Professor Ilan Bizberg, a labor specialist at the College of Mexico.

Such fraud is getting ''more and more difficult, and more and more costly'' politically, Bizberg added.

Party leaders say they are hopeful that democratically chosen candidates will be able to win clean elections.

''One thing is clear. We can't keep committing election fraud,'' said Juan Rodriguez Prats, a Federal Electricity Commission official and long-time PRI militant.

But there are also economic considerations in reining in organized labor.

''Salinas has a secret war, in a way, with the labor sector, because his economic project demands confronting labor,'' said Professor Leopoldo Gomez of the Autonomous Technological Institute of Mexico.

''The current policy is to weaken the unions in order to make business more efficient,'' Gomez said. Efficiency is a major concern for the Mexican economy, facing less government regulation and more international competition.

Spearheading the CTM's defense of its privileged position in the party is its 90-year-old leader, Fidel Velazquez, the dominant figure of the Mexican labor movement since 1941 and a long-time party faithful.

In early July, Velazquez fired off a letter to PRI Chairman Luis Donaldo Colosio demanding to know ''once and for all, your opinion on the future

of the sectors, and especially the labor sector'' in the party. He warned the labor rank-and-file might bolt to the left-wing Party of the Democratic Revolution, or PRD, if the party ignored them.

Following several days of talks, a smiling Velazquez told reporters he had won a confirmed percentage of seats at the 8,000-member assembly. Press reports estimated at least 15 percent.

Salinas and party leaders have staked plenty of credibility on their commitment to modernizing the party, but the results may fall something short of eliminating all the labor sector's traditional powers.

Fearing massive labor defections to the PRD and its leader Cuauhtemoc Cardenas - it was Cardenas's father, former President Lazaro Cardenas, who gave labor its official role in the PRI - party leaders may go halfway.

Bizberg suggested they may grant the CTM continued privileges in certain regions, while pressing for reform in crucial electoral battlegrounds such as Mexico City.

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#90243u1607 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

DURBAN, South Africa (AUG. 31) UPI - President Frederik de Klerk announced Friday the ruling National Party will open its membership to all races, signalling an end to its 42 years of exclusively white rule.

His announcement to mix the membership for the first time since the party was formed in 1914 was immediately endorsed by the first of four annual provincial party congresses that must formally approve policy measures before they are implemented.

But it drew quick condemnation from the official opposition Conservative Party.

''It's the last straw. It's outrageous and white voters will not stand for it,'' said chief party spokesman Koos Van der Merwe. ''The NP of today bears the same resemblance to the NP of 10 years ago as an ostrich to an elephant.''

De Klerk told the Natal province congress in the Indian Ocean port city of Durban, ''The existing restrictions on membership of the NP are in conflict with the party's declared point of view against racial discrimination and constitute an obstacle to forming alliances.

''Therefore, Congress authorizes the head council, after consultation with the federal councils, to effect the necessary amendments to the constitution and standing rules, in order to make membership of the NP

accessible to all South Africans.''

The move will take effect after all four congresses have met in the next three months.

The delegates from 20 regions of Natal greeted de Klerk's announcement with sustained applause. ''This is a big step, a far- reaching step, we are starting to take today, but I can assure you it is a well-considered step,'' he said.

He said the ''new South Africa demands that those who belong together through inner conviction should come together.''

He acknowledged there will be ''an inevitable realignment in the party political sphere in the new South Africa,'' adding that the NP ''believes that the bases for future cooperation should be laid now, otherwise valuable opportunities will be lost.''

He warned the party to ''expect a storm from the right.''

Conservative spokesman Van der Merwe said, ''They can expect a lot more than just anger. People are not going to tolerate this government at the ballot box any longer.''

De Klerk launched his program of sweeping racial reform in February, legalizing the African National Congress and other black opposition parties, releasing ANC leader Nelson Mandela, promising to scrap discriminatory laws introduced since the National Party came to power in 1948 and undertaking to move toward power-sharing with the black majority.

''Power-sharing of necessity implies joint decision-making on matters of common interest in joint constitutional structures,'' De Klerk told the congress. ''Among all population groups there is a growing realization that this policy (of power sharing) offers the only workable framework for a stable new South Africa.''

''I am more than ever convinced we will succeed in negotiating a fair, just and decent constitution,'' he told delegates. ''The people of South Africa must find a way to live together in peace because we cannot run away from each other.''

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MANSFIELD, CT (AUG. 31) UPI - Amtrak Montrealer trains struck and fatally injured two men early Friday in similar but separate accidents in Connecticut, authorities said.

In the first accident, Amtrak train No. 60, the Montrealer bound for Montreal with the next stop Amherst, Mass., struck and killed Christopher Bowley, 25, of Storrs, in Mansfield at 12:40 a.m., said state police and Amtrak officials.

The second accident occurred about 12 miles south in Franklin about 4:20 a.m. when Amtrak train No. 61, the southbound Montrealer, struck an unidentified man sleeping on the grade between the rails, said Howard Robertson, an Amtrak spokesman in Washington, D.C.

In Mansfield, Bowley was lying near the tracks, rose when the northbound train approached and suddenly ran into its path, state police said. He was thrown about 100 feet north along the tracks and killed.

Bowley apparently was trying to run across the tracks at a grade crossing, Robertson said.

The train's horn was blowing and warning bells were sounding at the crossing at the time of the incident, Robertson said.

The engineer slammed on the emergency brakes when he saw Bowley but it can take up to 2 miles to stop a passenger train, depending on its speed, Robertson said.

The Montrealer was held for 2 hours, 18 minutes before resuming its trip to Canada, he said.

The victim of the Franklin accident was flown by Life Star helicopter to Hartford Hospital, said James Battaglio, spokesman for the hospital.

''He died at 8:30 a.m. on the operating table,'' said Battaglio.

The train was headed for Washington and the accident occurred about 20 miles north of New London, the train's next stop.

The Montrealer was held for three hours, 40 minutes as state police took statements from all 186 passengers on board, as well as a dozen or more crew members, Robertson said.

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BONN, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 31) UPI - The final bilateral treaty for German unification signed Friday states that the German people want to ''serve peace in the world as an equal partner in a united Europe.''

The treaty, which sets out the legal, financial and technical aspects of unification still must be ratified by the two German parliaments in

September, before the Oct. 3 unification date.

The document signed by the two German governments after months of negotiations, states that Berlin will be the capital of a united Germany, but that an all-German Parliament will have to decide where the seat of government will be.

The treaty formalizes an earlier decision that East Germany will form five states. They will join the 11 West German states in the Federal Republic of Germany, Oct. 3.

East Germany will automatically take over the West German constitution, the Basic Law, which is partly amended by the treaty.

A new preamble to the Basic Law states that Germans adopt the constitution with the desire ''to serve peace in the world as an equal member of a united Europe.''

The treaty includes a paragraph that says that the document is adopted ''in the knowledge of the continuity of German history and bearing in mind the responsibility - resulting from our past - for a democratic development in Germany, which remains bound to the respect of human rights and peace.''

Heinz Galinski, a West German Jewish Community leader, had strongly criticized the wording of the paragraph because it does not specifically refer to the extermination of millions of Jews during Hitler's Third Reich.

The treaty calls for the rehabilitation of victims of 40 years of Stalinist rule in East Germany, under the Socialist Unity Party of Germany (SED), ousted last fall.

''The rehabilitation of these victims of the unjust SED regime is to be linked with an appropriate compensation,'' the treaty says.

The paragraph is a reference to the hundreds of East Germans who were shot as they tried to flee to the West, persecuted by the state security police and jailed for criticizing the hard-line Communist state.

The document states that Germany will retain dual legislation on abortion for the next two years, keeping abortion legal in East Germany and illegal in West Germany.

''It is the duty of the all-German Parliament to pass by Dec. 31, 1992, at the latest, legislation which better guarantees the protection of unborn life'' and which guarantees that pregnant women ''in conflict situations'' have better access to counseling and social assistance.

Under the treaty, 144 East German deputies will join their 519 West German colleagues in Parliament.

The East German states proportional contribution of sales tax revenues to federal spending will originally be 55 percent of that paid by other states and will gradually increase to 70 percent by 1994.

The treaty incorporates a June agreement stating that property nationalized by the former East German Communist authorities should be returned to previous owners, whenever possible.

But, in a special clause incorporated in a bid to reassure investors, the treaty states that the agreement will not apply if the land or building ''is needed for urgent investment purposes, to be more clearly defined...'' in new legislation. ''The law should also rule on compensation for former owners.''

The East German debt, accumulated so far, will be managed by a special authority of the federal government, which will be empowered to take up credits and loans.

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#90243u1633 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

RAMSTEIN, WEST GERMANY (AUG. 31) UPI - U.S. and West German officials Friday attended a memorial service for 13 American servicemen who died when a military plane helping transport supplies to the Persian Gulf crashed early Wednesday morning.

The servicemen were killed when a C-5A Galaxy plane plunged into a wooded area and burst into flames shortly after takeoff from the U.S. Air Base of Ramstein. Officials said Friday the cause of the crash had not been established and investigations were continuing.

Gen. Richard T. Swops of the U.S. military community of Kaiserslautern gathered with other military personel and local West German politicians Friday at the Ramstein airport for a memorial service.

A U.S. military spokesman said the four servicemen injured in the crash were in ''stable condition'' at the Landstuhl Army Medical hospital near Ramstein.

The plane, which was loaded with medical supplies, rations and maintenance equipment for U.S. troops deployed in the gulf, had 17 people aboard when it went down on its way to the Rhein-Main Air base near Frankfurt. It had been scheduled to fly to the gulf after that stop.

The aircraft was attached to the 60th Military Aircraft Wing, Travis Air

Force Base, Calif., but the flight crew was from a reserve unit, the 433d Military Airlift Wing, Kelly Air Force Base, at San Antonio, Texas.

More than 200 reservists assigned to the 433rd Military Airlift Wing have been transporting troops and cargo from around the United States to the Middle East since Aug. 8.

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#90243u1641 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

GAINESVILLE, FL (AUG. 31) UPI - Police investigators reviewed a ''pool of suspects'' Friday as they searched for the serial killer suspected of slaying five college students in their apartments near the University of Florida campus.

An 18-year-old University of Florida student who once lived in an apartment complex where two of the victims were found was questioned Thursday in the Brevard County detention center by detectives investigating the murders.

Edward Lewis Humphrey was arrested Thursday and charged with beating his grandmother at her home in Indialantic. He was being held on $1 million bond.

Humphrey was scheduled for arraignment Friday on aggravated battery and assault charges in Sharpes, site of the Brevard County detention center. He initially was ordered held on $10,250 bond for the assault charges.

''His bond was upgraded to $1 million earlier this morning. We have no information on why,'' said Roberta Foster of the Brevard County sheriff's office.

''I know for a fact that there were three Florida Department of Law Enforcement persons there interviewing him. I know they were from Gainesville,'' said Gene Stevanus, executive director of the Brevard County public defender's office.

At a Friday morning news conference in Gainesville, authorities would not say whether Humphrey was a suspect.

''At this particular time, we have a pool of suspects that may be even larger than the pool we had yesterday (Thursday). To say that we have a prime suspect or a prime two or prime three suspects would be very premature,'' said Alachua County Lt. Spencer Mann.

''We're not prepared to say who our potential suspects are at this time or where our potential suspects are at this time or comment on newspaper reports about potential suspects at this time,'' he said.

The Orlando Sentinel reported Friday that Humphrey has been considered a possible suspect since earlier in the week and was tracked to southern Brevard County by a specially equipped Florida Department of Law Enforcement airplane.

Humphrey lives in Gainesville and for a short time this summer lived at the Gatorwood Apartment complex, where the bodies of two of the five victims were found earlier in the week.

The newspaper said no one was allowed into his apartment, and that his fingerprints would be compared to those found in the apartments where the five students were killed. The bodies of three victims were mutilated.

Humphrey was charged with beating his grandmother Thursday morning at her home in Indialantic. Neighbors said Humphrey had lived at her home for about 10 years and was an honor student, but had suffered severe head injuries in an automobile accident two years ago.

They said he has since had emotional and physical problems.

Carol Hyde, manager of Gatorwood Apartments, where the fourth and fifth bodies were found, said Friday that Humphrey had lived there briefly but she would not say whether management had asked him to move out. She also would not say whether he lived in Building 12, where the bodies were found.

Mayor Cortland Collier on Friday criticized news accounts that have indicated the citizens of Gainesville are terrorized.

''Gainesville is not trapped in a web of fear. The campus is not trapped in a web of fear, and words like that are simply inflammatory and irresponsible,'' he said.

He said he was proud of the way members of the community had pulled together.

''They're taking care of their neighbors, banding together, locking their doors and doing what needs to be done.''

The bodies of the five victims, all college students who lived within 2 miles of each other and within 2 miles of the University of Florida campus were discovered within an 48-hour period earlier this week.

Authorities said it appears the killer sought out slender young women with brown hair and forced his way into their apartments to kill them. All the victims fit that description, except for one young man who was the roommate of one of the women.

The funerals of four of the victims, Christina Powell, 17, of Jacksonville; Christina Hoyt, 18, of Gainesville; Tracey Paules, 23, of Palm Springs North and Manuel Taboada, 23, of Carol City, were held Friday.

Mourners jammed First Baptist Church in Pompano Beach on Thursday for the funeral of Sonya Larson, 18, of Deerfield Beach.

Larson and Powell were found stabbed to death in their apartment late Sunday.

The body of Hoyt, a Santa Fe Community College student, was found the following day. Authorities said she died of multiple stab wounds and her body was mutilated, along with Powell's and Larson's.

Published reports said Hoyt's head had been severed and placed on a shelf and her body sliced open from the pelvis to the breastbone.

Authorities have not released the official cause of death for Paules and Taboada, but Mann said they had been bludgeoned. Their bodies were discovered Tuesday in their room at Gatorwood Apartments.

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EAST BERLIN (AUG. 31) UPI - East and West Germany put a formal seal of approval Friday on their plan to merge Oct. 3, ending more than four decades of division, with the signing of the final unification treaty.

The treaty, still subject to ratification by the two German Parliaments, puts a formal seal of approval to a decision to merge East and West Germany on Oct. 3 and follows weeks of negotiations between the two countries and internally between each nation's government and opposition parties.

''The treaty is certainly one of the most important documents in post-war German history,'' East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere said at the signing ceremony.

''It creates security and clarity about the many questions which arise from the completion of unity,'' he said at East Berlin's historic Palais Unter den Linden, which had been a guest house of the Communist government ousted last fall.

West German Interior Minister Gerhard Schaeuble, who signed the treaty with his East German counterpart Guenther Krause, said: ''Today is a day of joy and confidence for all Germans.''

It outlines the legal and financial framework of the merger, including the

creation of five new states in East Germany which will join the 11 West German states in the Federal Republic of Germany.

Berlin will be the capital of a unified Germany but the treaty states that a decision over the location of the seat of government still has to be made.

''The unification treaty is a big success for a unified Germany and the fact that all political parties participated in the negotiations is a big success fo democracy,'' de Maiziere said.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl did not attend the ceremony in East Berlin but a spokesman in Bonn quoted him as saying the document was ''of the highest historic importance'' and its signing ''a great hour of German history.''

The two parliaments are expected to ratify the treaty before a Sept. 12 meeting in Moscow of foreign ministers of the two Germanys and the four victorious World War II allies - Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States. The ministers are widely expected to formalize agreements reached in July when Kohl and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev met in the Soviet Union.

The agreement, which is backed by Germany's Western allies, allows a united Germany to be a member of NATO and calls for the withdrawal of Soviet troops from East Germany within three to four years.

Only a few hours before the treaty was signed, Kohl's Christian Democrats and the opposition Social Democrats solved their disagreements over abortion laws, agreeing that abortion will remain legal in East Germany and illegal in West Germany for the next two years.

Another issue was also settled Thursday night when the Bonn goverment gave in to East German demands that secret files compiled by the former East German state security police be kept in East Germany.

The draft treaty originally called for the files, which contain data on over six million East Germans, to be transferred to West Germany.

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TOKYO (AUG. 31) UPI - The Ministry of International Trade and Industry said Friday it plans to provide about $5.4 million in fiscal 1991 to support a joint project between The Boeing Co. and Japanese corporations to develop a new generation passenger jetliner.

''A sum of 806 million yen (about $5.4 million) has been included in a

budgetary request made by the ministry for fiscal 1991 (beginning next April 1),'' a MITI official said.

The government of Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu is scheduled to finalize a draft budget in December to be submitted to parliament for approval.

The money, if approved, will be used to subsidize interest payments on the development costs to be shouldered by Japanese partners, the official said.

The $5.4 million would be only a small fraction of the development costs for Boeing's proposed 777, which could cost the Seattle-based aerospace company up to $4 billion.

Boeing announced in April that three Japanese companies would design and manufacture between 15 and 20 percent of the airframe of the 777, a 350-seat, fuel-efficient jetliner designed to fill a market gap between Boeing's 767 and 747 jumbo jet.

Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Co., Kawasaki Heavy Industries Co. and Fuji Heavy Industries Co. would be responsible for key parts of the airframe, including fuselage panels and wing ribs. The three companies supply portions of other Boeing aircraft.

A formal agreement on the joint development is expected to be concluded toward the end of this year. Boeing has not yet announced full-scale development of the plane since it is waiting for airlines to line up with major orders first.

Dick Schleh, manager of public relations for Boeing's Commercial Airplanes Group in Seattle, said ''there is a high level of interest in the program'' and that the company is proceeding on the assumption that the first delivery of the aircraft will be in mid-1995.

In a related development, Kyodo News Service said MITI will slash its spending on research and development in another joint project involving Boeing and the three Japanese companies.

The project, under way since 1984, calls for development of a 150- seat jetliner code-named the YXX.

Experts have said the Boeing 777 would be more profitable than the YXX. Kyodo News said MITI will cut funds for this project to $3.7 million, about one-third of the outlay earmarked in the current fiscal budget.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange Friday said a seat

was sold on the exchange for $305,000, down $4,000 from the last sale Aug. 28.

The exchange said the current bid for an exchange seat is $301,000, while the offering price is $350,000.

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#90243u1698 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (AUG. 31) UPI - Fulfilling one of the inducements the state offered to bring the superconducting super collider to Texas, five banks have set up a $48 million low-interest home mortgage program to help relocate the SSC employees.

The SSC Employee Mortgage and Bridge Loan program was set up as part of the overall State of Texas' 1987 site proposal for the world's largest scientific project expected to cost some $9 billion.

The loan program will provide single-family home loans at below- market rates in amounts up to $187,450 for more than 250 employees of the SSC Laboratory relocating to North texas from other parts of the country.

Under the program, employees who relocate from 100 miles away or more will be eligible for 30-year mortgages at rates one-half point below market.

The collider is proposed to be built in Ellis County west of Waxahachie, 30 miles south of Dallas.

The participating banks in the program are NCNB Texas, the state's largest bank which has committed $25 million, Texas Commerce Bank $10 million, BANK ONE, TEXAS $5 million, FirstCity Texas $5 million, and TeamBank $3 million.

In addition, bridge loans of $10 million - $5 million by NCNB and $5 million by FirstCity - for relocating the employe offered to support the superconducting super collider,'' said Richard Douglas, president of the North Texas Commission, a regional economic development body.

When completed in 1998, the collider site will encirle Waxahachie with an underground tunnel 54 miles in circumference. Powerful magnets in the tunnels will hurl atomic particles at each other and cause them to collide at nearly the speed of light to help scientists learn more about the smallest building blocks of the universe.

Federal funding for the collider is capped at $5 billion and that of Texas at $1 billion. The balance is to be raised from foreign sources. Congress has approved an appropriation of $318 million for fiscal 1991 toward the construction of the collider.

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#90243u1711 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

CHATEAUGUAY, QUEBEC (AUG. 31) UPI - Mohawk Indians and Canadian soldiers continued Friday tearing down barricades around native reserves south of Montreal, even though talks between Mohawks and the Quebec government remained stalled.

Capt. Richard St. Louis said in an interview that barricades at five major points have been dismantled and holes in most roads filled with asphalt.

''We are moving slowly, but surely,'' St. Louis said. He said work began at 7 a.m. EDT with both Mohawks and soldiers involved.

Both the Kahnawake and Kanesatake Reserves were quiet through the night. But native leaders continued to meet early Friday in Dorval hoping to resume negotiations with the Quebec government.

The barricades at Kanesatake near Oka, just west of Montreal, remained in place.

Late Thursday, talks between the Mohawks and the Quebec government collapsed suddenly, raising fears of an assault by the Canadian armed forces on the two native reserves near Montreal.

Quebec Premier Robert Bourassa said in a statement released late Thursday that the Six Nation Iroquois Confederacy had withdrawn its delegates from the talks.

Their action, Bourassa said ''has made it impossible for the government of Quebec to continue these discussions without these participants.''

The collapse of the talks upset some Mohawk negotiators. They indicated the problem was caused by a clash between traditional and moderate Mohawks and militant members of the Warriors Society - specifically, disagreement over a demand for Indian sovereignty.

The dispute involving Mohawks in two communities began several months ago over a proposed expansion of the Oka golf course on land that Mohawks on the Kanesatake Reserve claim is an ancient burial ground. The dispute turned violent when a police officer was killed July 11.

Days later, sympathetic Indians at the Kahnawake Reserve south of Montreal blocked a highway and the key Mercier bridge linking Chateauguay to Montreal.

More than 3,000 heavily armed soldiers, equipped with tanks and armored

personnel carriers have been poised for several days at the Kahnawake and Kanesatake reserves this week, awaiting an order to unilaterally dismantle the barricades.

Talks between the Indians and government had appeared promising. Negotiators apparently settled on a framework agreement after meeting more than 20 hours of talks that concluded early Thursday.

As a result of progress made in those talks, the Mohawks and Canadian armed forces together had begun dismantling barricades around the Kahnawake reserve, including the bridge and highway. The barricades have remained intact at the Kanesatake reserve.

Jerry Pelletier - one of the chief negotiators for the Kanesatake reserve and a traditional Mohawk - told reporters Thursday that talks that were to resume Thursday night would have produced a settlement that would have eased tension and allowed barricades to be dismantled peacefully.

Pelletier said suspending the talks ''in essence sentences the Mohawk people of Kanesatake to the slaughterhouse.''

''(Bourassa) would prefer to see Mohawk blood instead of continuing negotiations,'' he said.

In an effort to separate traditional Mohawks from the Warriors, Pelletier said: ''We are not the ones making unreasonable demands.''

One delegate to the negotiations, Oneida Chief Terry Doxteter, said the split between Mohawk factions was related to a demand by Warriors that the final agreement to end the dispute confirm the soveriegnty of the Indians.

Doxteter said the federal government representative at the talks did not have a mandate to discuss sovereignty.

He said Warriors wanted the final agreement to set out a process by which the federal government and the Mohawks could define sovereignty and how it would work.

Essentially, the Mohawks want to establish their own system of law and order and be able to negotiate with the federal government on a ''nation-to-nation'' basis, Doxteter said.

Joe Norton, grand chief of Kahnawake and a supporter of the Warriors Society, told reporters the Quebec government was using divide and conquer tactics in an effort to draw more moderate Mohawks into the negotiations.

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MIDDLETOWN, Pa. (AUG. 31) UPI - A scientist who has studied cancer rates around the Three Mile Island since the 1979 nuclear reactor accident said Friday she found no persuasive evidence of higher rates caused by the accident.

The conclusions published in the September issue of the American Journal of Epidemiology were based on studies of hospital records for people who lived within 10 miles of the reactor, located 10 miles south of Harrisburg on the Susquehanna River

''One thing is clear: there is no epidemic of cancer,'' said Maureen Hatch the associate professor of epidemiology at Columbia University who led the study. ''We didn't find evidence for a real significant problem.''

While acknowledging her methodology was not perfect, Hatch said if there were as few as 10 ''excess'' cases of childhood cancer or leukemia cases they would have been detected.

Those assurances did little to alleviate the doubts of citizens' groups that continue to insist the accident caused cancers and miscarriages.

Kay Pickering, a spokeswoman for TMI Alert, said the use of statistical samples without interviewing people who lived near the plant was flawed research.

''The scope of the study was too small as far as we were concerned,'' she said. ''We think that the model they was set up did not '' not

She predicted the study would be used by the plant's owner, GPU Nuclear Corp., based in Parsippany, N.J., to defend itself against 2,500 damage suits filed in U.S. District Court in Harrisburg.

The study was paid for by the Three Mile Island Public Health Fund, set up in a 1981 federal court settlement against the owners of TMI.

In a step that aroused suspicions among anti-TMI groups tracking the study GPU was allowed to read a draft and comment on it before it was submitted for publication or publicly released. But Hatch said her team's independence was not compromised by allowing GPU to see the draft, which was required under the agreement establishing the fund.

The report was to have been released at a conference in Boston in November 1988 but was withdrawn becasue the journal said it would not publish pre-released studies, Hatch said in denying suggestions it was withdrawn to accommodate changes sought by GPU.

Fund officials set up a daylong series of seminars at Penn State's Middletown campus, within sight of Three Mile Island, to brief reporters, health professionals and the public.

In what remains the nation's worst commercial reactor accident, a cooling water valve failed March 28, 1979. Nuclear fuel in Unit No. 2 melted down but did not breach the containment vessel. Some radiation was released.

The study, embracing the period 1975-85, focused on cancer and leukemia in children under 14 because they are the most sensitive to low levels of radiation and occur sooner after exposure, Hatch said.

The study of the population of 160,000 people found 18 cases of cancer in children and four cases of leukemia. Both rates were slightly higher than in the population at large but Hatch said they were not statistically significant.

She said the study showed that children around Three Mile Island actually run a higher cancer risk from radiation that comes naturally from the ground.

There were 1,529 cases of child and adult cancers from 1975 to 1979, compared with 2,391 from 1981 to 1985, an increase of more than 50 percent.

She said one reason for the increase was the inadequacy of hospital records in 1975 and by other causes of cancer, including smoking and radon.

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#90243u1767 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

COPENHAGEN, DENMARK (AUG. 31) UPI - Denmark's foreign minister appealed Friday to small nations throughout the world to send one warship to the Persian Gulf to swell the international armada blockading Iraq.

''I urge all the small nations to do this as part of the United Nations effort to make the blockade as effective as possible and give a clear signal to (Iraqi president) Saddam Hussein,'' said Foreign Minister Uffe Ellemann-Jensen.

Ellemann-Jensen also chided America's European allies for doing ''too little too late'' in the effort to stand up to Iraq, and criticized Austrian President Kurt Waldheim for a visit to Iraq that resulted in Austrian hostages being released. Iraq is holding Westerners to guard against attack by a U.S.-led multinational force.

The Danish official spoke as the country's parliament was to give the constitutional stamp of approval for deployment of a Danish multi- purpose corvette to the gulf. A corvette is a fast warship smaller than a

destroyer and often used in convoys.

''If as many small countries as possible from around the world take part, it will be a major boost to the United Nations and an effort that will set its mark on international cooperation for years to come,'' Ellemann-Jensen said.

''In particular it will be a clear message to dictators such as Saddam Hussein and give them something to think about before they consider invading their neighbors,'' the foreign minister added.

Ellemann-Jensen went on to underscore comments by British Premier Margaret Thatcher who Thursday chided America's allies for not acting quickly enough to help the military effort in the gulf region following Saddam's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Speaking to delegates at a European Conservative Party organization conference in Finland, Thatcher said although there had been political support for the United States' immediate troop deployment, only Britain and France had been willing to help with military forces.

''Europe has given too little too late,'' Ellemann-Jensen said Friday.

''This is something we will have to take up in Europe in the future. We cannot expect the United States always to be there as an international policeman to safeguard our well-being,'' the foreign minister said.

He added that Denmark, along with other European nations had received a request from the United States to provide roll-on, roll-off vessels to help the further deployment of U.S. troops from America to the Middle East.

''We will have to look into this subject very carefully,'' Ellemann-Jensen said.

Denmark's government does not recognize U.S. land forces in Saudi Arabia as being part of a United Nations effort, unlike naval forces in the gulf region.

Ellemann-Jensen went on to deliver a sharp rebuke to Austria's President Kurt Waldheim for traveling to Iraq for discussions with Saddam that led to all Austrians being held against their will in Iraq being allowed to travel home.

''Of course, in the short-term Austria is happy that its citizens have come home,'' Ellemann-Jensen said.

''But the rift in United Nations solidarity that this caused was not good in the long-term. And I must admit, the sight of Waldheim and Saddam

photographed smiling together was not pleasing,'' he added.

Ellemann-Jensen meanwhile said a Scandinavian Airways aircraft was to leave Stockholm Friday night for Turkey where it was to await landing permission for Baghdad in order to pick up predominantly Swedish nationals who have already received exit visas, and others who expect Saturday to receive exit visas.

The aircraft, containing doctors and nurses, was to wait for permission to enter Iraq either at Istanbul airport or at Diyarbakir close to the Iraq-Turkey border.

''But the Swedes are, at present, the only Nordic nation who appear to have actually received exit visas from the Iraqis,'' the foreign minister said.

He added Danish diplomats had not yet received exit visas for the 10 women and 11 children waiting in Iraq to benefit from a promise made by Saddam to free all foreign women and children.

''Quite frankly I would say that we should not pin our hopes too high,'' Ellemann-Jensen said.

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City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	66	19
Amsterdam cy	1pm	66	19
Ankara c	3pm	79	26
Athens c	2pm	83	28
Auckland	12a	-	-
Beijing c	8pm	77	25
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	74	23
Bonn r	1pm	54	12
Brussels r	1pm	58	15
Cairo c	2pm	88	31
Casablanca	12n	76	25
Copenhagen cy	1pm	64	18
Dakar cy	12n	85	29
Dublin cy	1pm	62	17
Geneva	1pm	58	15
Helsinki cy	2pm	62	17
Hong Kong pc	8pm	86	30

Jerusalem c	2pm	80	27
Karachi pc	5pm	90	32
Lisbon c	1pm	78	26
London pc	1pm	67	20
Madrid c	1pm	73	23
Malta c	1pm	84	29
Manila cy	8pm	83	28
Moscow cy	3pm	52	11
Nairobi cy	3pm	77	25
Nassau cy	7am	78	26
New Delhi pc	6pm	94	35
Nice c	1pm	78	26
Oslo r	1pm	60	15
Paris cy	1pm	64	18
Pretoria c	2pm	68	20
Riyadh	3pm	105	41
Rome c	1pm	79	26
Seoul cy	9pm	70	21
Sofia c	2pm	82	28
Stockholm cy	1pm	63	17
Sydney cy	10pm	59	15
Taipei pc	8pm	85	30
Tokyo cy	9pm	83	28
Tunis c	1pm	92	33
Vienna c	1pm	87	30
Warsaw c	1pm	80	27
Latin America			
Buenos Aires cy	9am	44	07
Caracas c	8am	70	21
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	58	14
Mexico City hz	6am	53	12
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	72	22
Santiago r	8am	54	12
Canada			
Calgary c		72	22
Edmonton r		69	20
Montreal c		73	22
Ottawa c		74	23
Regina c		89	31
Toronto c		77	25
Vancouver c		64	17
Winnipeg c		90	32

c-clear
cy-cloudy

d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90243u1810 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (AUG. 31) UPI - King Hussein of Jordan brought his quest for a diplomatic settlement of the Persian Gulf crisis to England Friday, where it got short shrift as Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd flew to the Gulf to steel Arab resolve against Iraq's actions.

Before leaving for Qatar, the first of six countries on his Middle East tour, Hurd said there was a reasonable chance that economic sanctions would force Baghdad to agree to end its monthlong occupation of Kuwait.

''What we're working on now is effective sanctions we can all play a part in, not only by applying them themselves, but by giving help to those who are going to suffer, going to have to make sacrifices for effective sanctions, so there is something for everyone to do,'' he said.

Also on Hurd's itinerary are the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Yemen, Saudi Arabia and Jordan. He said he wanted to strengthen Arab commitment against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait during an oil production and land dispute.

He expressed guarded optimism the foreign women and children held in Baghdad would be freed soon. The Foreign Office spokesman said 139 British women and children have received exit visas from Iraq. Saddam on Tuesday offered to release Western women and children.

Hurd expected to return to London in time for an emergency debate in the House of Commons on the situation next Thursday and Friday.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, responding to a request from opposition Labor Party leader Neil Kinnock, recalled Parliament for the first time since the Falklands War in 1982. A debate also will take place in the House of Lords following a similar request from Lord Cledwyn, Labor's leader in the upper house.

Parliament has been recalled 13 times since World War II.

There was unlikely to be any serious disagreement between the government and opposition leaders to Britain's response to Saddam. No vote is planned

but an estimated 30 left-wing MPs said they would like one, arguing unless they act, they will be mere observers on the sidelines of their country's history.

''We will not contemplate, accept or support in any shape or form a military action against Iraq by the United States, assisted by British forces, outside the authority of the United Nations,'' said Labor MP Tony Benn said.

Shortly before seeing King Hussein, Thatcher took a 25-minute telephone call from President Bush. ''It was an occasion for checking in with each other,'' her spokesman said. ''They continue to be absolutely together in their views.''

They discussed the need for sharing the burden of enforcing the U.N. sanctions, and ''no request was made of Britain, which is already contributing to the effort,'' he said.

At Downing Street, King Hussein endeavored to head off a conflict through a negotiated settlement.

After hawking his plan around North Africa last week, he is on a European campaign.

Hussein advocates simultaneous withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and foreign troops from Saudi Arabia. An Arab peacekeeping force would oversee Kuwait until an election was held within six months to choose a new Kuwaiti government that would then give Iraq certain unspecified rights.

Thatcher listened politely to Hussein, then dismissed her longtime friend's suggestions. Saddam's withdrawal from Kuwait is not negotiable, she has said repeatedly.

Hussein and Thatcher were ''quite far apart in their assessment of the cause of the conflict and way to resolve it,'' a Downing Street spokesman said.

They agreed on the need for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, U.N. sanctions, and renewing the effort to settle the Arab-Israeli dispute, he said.

Hussein expects nothing less than a rebuff in Europe but he was compelled to try by problems at home.

With an estimated 73,000 refugees who have flooded into Jordan from Baghdad and its trade with Iraq cut off, Jordan is verging on economic collapse. And some of Hussein's subjects - many of them Palestinians - have expressed support for Saddam, whom they view as Arabs' best advocate against the Western world.

Iraq claims historical rights to Kuwait and has denounced Britain's drawing of the Iraqi-Kuwaiti border in 1922, when Britain and France divided up the defunct Ottoman Empire following World War I.

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#90243u1813 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) UPI - Rural physicians, who generally receive smaller Medicare payments than their big-city counterparts for the same service, could see fatter checks from the government under a proposal Health Secretary Louis Sullivan sent to Congress Friday.

The proposed model fee schedule is the first step toward implementing a 1989 law that overhauls the way Medicare pays for physician services. The proposed fee schedule will be published in the Federal Register for public comment. The final version will be phased-in Jan. 1, 1992, and become fully effective in 1996.

Currently, the 25-year-old payment system under Medicare - the nation's health insurance plan for people over 65 - pays a doctor's actual charge, customary charge or the prevailing local charge for a service, whichever is lower. Payments, therefore, vary among localities.

Under the new plan, for each service, physicians would be paid either the actual charge or a specific pre-determined fee based on ''relative values '' whichever is lower. These values take into account the work involved, practice costs and malpractice insurance costs. Thus, a standard, nationwide payment policy would be developed.

''The variation in payment rates among urban and rural areas will be significantly reduced, with the only difference being a geographic adjustment for different practice costs,'' said Gail Wilensky, administrator of the Health Care Financing Administration. ''In general, this is expected to increase payments for many physicians in rural areas who had been paid less than urban physicians under the current system.''

She also said the new fee schedule will be more equitable for general practicioners and other primary care physicians, who might spend the same amount of time with a patient as a surgeon, but receive far less.

In the end, 7,000 procedures will be assigned values that will form the basis of a payment amount. The proposed model fee schedule includes preliminary values for 1,400 procedures.

In a letter to members of six congressional committees involved in the Medicare reform, Sullivan said the new payment plan, along with other reforms, ''will bring about standard nationwide physician payment policies

for the Medicare program, improve equity in Medicare payment among physician specialties and geographic areas, help assure that Medicare payments grow at a reasonable pace and better protect beneficiaries.''

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#90243u1821 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages declined to 10.24 percent from 10.29 percent and adjustable-rate notes fell to 8.30 percent from 8.36 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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#90243u1829 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 31) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	75.90	76.47	75.45	76.32	76.20
Dec	74.30	75.10	74.10	74.82	74.60
Feb	73.85	74.40	73.75	74.10	74.00
Apr	74.75	75.20	74.70	74.92	74.95
Jun	72.87	73.15	72.72	73.00	72.97
Aug	....	....	....	71.15	71.15
Oct	71.40	71.45	71.25	71.25	71.25

Est. sales 13,282 contracts; Thursday 7,932; open interest 68,664 up 63.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Sep	86.20	86.90	85.60	86.77	86.45
Oct	84.65	85.27	84.25	85.22	84.97
Nov	84.80	85.45	84.25	85.45	85.07
Jan	84.30	84.77	83.75	84.77	84.60
Mar	83.05	83.50	82.60	83.50	83.30
Apr	82.35	82.80	82.30	82.80	82.55
May	81.50	81.60	81.30	81.60	81.50

Est. sales 1,286 contracts; Thursday 1,468; open interest 11,236 off 216.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	48.55	48.55	48.05	48.30	48.72
Dec	49.50	49.70	49.17	49.52	49.70
Feb	47.55	47.70	47.05	47.52	47.82
Apr	44.80	44.80	44.30	44.35	44.87
Jun	48.70	48.80	48.55	48.70	49.10
Jly	48.80	48.95	48.70	48.85	49.15
Aug	....	47.62	47.55	47.65	48.00
Oct	43.80	43.80	43.45	43.45	43.80

Est. sales 3,879 contracts; Thursday 2,771; open interest 27,751 up 14.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb 51.15 51.40 49.87 49.87 51.87
Mar 50.75 51.20 49.75 49.75 51.75
May 51.50 52.30 51.15 51.15 53.15 Jly 351.50 51.80 50.75 51.80 52.75
Est. sales 2,768 contracts; Thursday 1,737; open interest 5,867 up 42.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 120.04 down 5 cents, 700-850 lbs. select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 113.96 down 22 cents, 700-850 lbs. 114.06 down 22 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light ahead of the Labor Day weekend; fresh pork loins uneven; Boston butts not established; skinned hams weak to $2.00 lower; seedless bellies $2.00 to $3.00 lower; loins 14-18 lbs. 115.00-121.00; butts 4-8 lbs. 73.00; hams 17-20 lbd. 88.00-92.00, 20-26 lbd. 86.00-90.50, 26-32 lbs. 87.00, 32 lbs. and up 86.00; bellies 12-16 lbs. 36.00, 16-18 lbs.34.00-37.00, 18-20 lbs. 37.00.

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#90243u1842 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (AUG. 31) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Friday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.66	2.68	2.62 1/2	2.62 1/2	2.66 3/4
Dec	2.83 1/2	2.84	2.77	2.77 1/2	2.83
Mar	2.94	2.95 1/4	2.88	2.88 1/4	2.94
May	3.01	3.02	2.95 1/2	2.95 1/2	3.01 1/2
Jly	3.06 1/2	3.08 1/2	3.01	3.01 1/2	3.08
Sep	3.09	3.09	3.07	3.07	3.12 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.46	2.48	2.41 1/2	2.43 1/4	2.45 1/4
Dec	2.34 1/4	2.35	2.32 1/2	2.33 1/4	2.33 1/2
Mar	2.42 3/4	2.43 3/4	2.41 1/4	2.42	2.42 1/4
May	2.49 3/4	2.50 3/4	2.48 1/4	2.49 1/4	2.49 1/4
Jly	2.54 3/4	2.55 1/2	2.53	2.53 1/2	2.53 1/2
Sep	2.54	2.55	2.53	2.53	2.53
Dec	2.54 1/4	2.55 1/2	2.53 1/4	2.54	2.53 1/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.01 3/4	1.05	1.01 3/4	1.05	1.01
Dec	1.15 1/4	1.17 1/2	1.15	1.17 1/2	1.14 1/4

Mar	1.26 3/4	1.29 1/4	1.26 3/4	1.29 1/4	1.26
May	1.35 1/2	1.36	1.34 1/2	1.36	1.33 1/4

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	6.03	6.06 1/4	6.00 1/4	6.01	6.02 1/2
Nov	6.18	6.20	6.13	6.13 3/4	6.17
Jan	6.31 1/2	6.33	6.26 1/2	6.27 1/4	6.30 1/2
Mar	6.44 1/2	6.46	6.39 1/2	6.40	6.43 1/2
May	6.50 1/2	6.52 1/2	6.47	6.47	6.50 3/4
Jly	6.57	6.59	6.53 1/2	6.54	6.58
Aug	6.52 1/2	6.52 1/2	6.49	6.49	6.51
Nov	6.26	6.27	6.23 1/2	6.24 1/2	6.25 3/4

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Sep	24.37	24.37	24.05	24.17	24.33
Oct	24.20	24.22	23.93	24.01	24.18
Dec	24.19	24.29	23.95	24.06	24.18
Jan	24.32	24.43	24.12	24.19	24.28
Mar	24.50	24.53	24.30	24.38	24.40
May	24.60	24.70	24.45	24.55	24.50
Jly	24.60	24.70	24.50	24.60	24.55
Aug	24.35	24.45	24.25	24.30	24.25

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	174.30	175.00	173.00	173.80	174.30
Oct	176.50	177.10	175.10	175.70	176.30
Dec	180.50	181.20	179.00	179.60	180.10
Jan	181.60	182.70	180.80	181.10	181.50
Mar	184.80	185.70	183.60	184.20	184.50
May	186.50	187.80	186.50	186.30	186.50
Jly	188.50	189.50	188.00	189.00	188.50
Aug	188.50	188.50	188.50	188.50	187.50
Sep	186.00	187.00	186.00	187.70	189.00

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PARIS (AUG. 31) UPI - The OPEC cartel's decision to sharply raise its oil output has stabilized world oil supplies, making emergency measures by industrialized nations unnecessary, the International Energy Agency said Friday.

The agency's conclusion echoed one it had reached in an earlier Aug. 9 meeting held to review current world supplies in light of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent U.N. embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports.

But IEA warned that the outlook for the coming months remains uncertain,

and it said future use of members' strategic reserves remained a possibility. The IEA is made up of the world's largest 21 industrialized oil-consuming nations.

The statement of the agency's governing board said the approaching winter in the Northern Hemisphere raised the specter of tighter markets as demand for heating oil increases and refineries reach operating capacity.

''The IEA welcomes the decision by OPEC and other producing countries to increase oil production,'' the statement said.

''This will do much to replace supplies removed from the market because of the embargo. Increased production at this time will also be particularly important for developing countries.''

More than 4 million barrels a day has been taken from world markets as a result of the U.N. embargo.

The 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, which pumps more than a third of the world's crude, Wednesday formally approved promises made by Saudi Arabia, Venezuela and the United Arab Emirates to help offset the effects of the embargo by raising output more than 3 million barrels daily.

''We concluded that in the immediate term the situation is manageable,'' John Easton, Assistant U.S. Secretary of Energy and the American representative on the IEA governing board, told reporters after the session.

''The action of both producer countries to increase output as well as some of the demand restraint and fuel switching (by consuming nations) that has occurred makes the immediate term look manageable,'' he said.

The IEA Governing Board will meet again in September to decide whether any action is necessary to insure a fair distribution of available oil.

The agency's emergency oil sharing system may be put into effect if the oil supplies of one or more of its 21-member countries is reduced by 7 percent, with each country's quota determined according to its consumption level.

The IEA can also coordinate the use of strategic petroleum reserves held by its member governments. The largest is held by the United States, which has 590 million barrels stored in salt caverns in the nation's Southwest.

Saudi officials announced after the OPEC session they had already increased production to 7.5 million barrels a day from 5.4 million and said they would increase it further to more than eight million barrels a

day.

The IEA statement said that although oil from Kuwait and Iraq will be totally absent from the market from now on ''prospects are that the shortfall will be largely covered in September and in October as well.''

But the agency warned that conservation efforts must be maintained and that problems could arise in the longer term as the ability of oil companies to continue drawing significant amounts from commercial stocks diminishes.

IEA officials refused to speculate on the future trend in oil and gasoline prices or to say why they had risen significantly despite generally adequate supplies.

''Nobody is able to make a forecast,'' Dr. Ulrich Engelmann, chairman of the Governing Board, said at a press conference. ''If he were he would be a very rich man.''

Easton attributed the price rise to factors other than the laws of supply and demand.

''What's happening in the oil markets is the result of actions by jittery traders,'' he said, adding that the major oil companies had behaved responsibly by not building up current stocks during the crisis.

IEA Executive Director Helga Steeg estimated that the draw on commercial oil stocks averaged about 300,000 barrels a day during August and said it would be ''considerably higher'' in September, but she refused to give specific figures.

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#90243u1888 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 31) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev denied reports of a rift with Washington over the Persian Gulf crisis Friday, saying the Soviet Union and United States were working together to prevent a war.

Asked at a rare news conference about statements by two Soviet officials critical of the U.S. troop deployment in the Gulf, Gorbachev said the Soviet Union was on record as recognizing that the deployment was legitimate.

''We proceed on the assumption that in a given specific situation, and responding to a request from Saudi Arabia, the United States has taken this decision (to deploy troops),'' Gorbachev said. ''This meets with the norms of the U.N. charter.''

Gorbachev said the Soviet Union and the United States both realized that ''any escalation of a military conflict is fraught with negative consequences.''

''That is why we have to act responsibly, so as to prevent a large- scale conflict,'' he said. ''I believe this is our common goal, and we are promoting this idea.

''If you believe this is a difference in policies - on the contrary, I think that this indicates cooperation.''

Gorbachev repeated the Soviet Union's condemnation of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, and said he was confident that after a political solution was found the United States would remove its troops from the area and ''return the military situation to the original stage.''

An intense Soviet diplomatic effort to solve the crisis has stressed the need for a political solution to the crisis including Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait, and Gorbachev repeated his call for Arab nations to find a solution to the crisis.

''We have to find a peaceful solution using the Arab factor,'' Gorbachev said. ''Intensive consultations are under way. I hope the consultations will be successful.''

Gorbachev's praise of Soviet-U.S. cooperation during the crisis came in response to questions about statements Thursday by a deputy foreign minister and the commander of Warsaw Pact forces criticizing the U.S. military buildup in Saudi Arabia.

Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Belonogov said ''the buildup of American military might cannot make us happy'' because it makes the situation in the Gulf more explosive and because ''there is no guarantee that the United States will leave Saudi Arabia.''

And Gen. Vladimir Lobov, the Soviet chief of Warsaw Pact forces, said the presence of a large U.S. military contingent in Saudi Arabia ''drastically changes the strategic balance in the region'' and could affect arms talks in Vienna.

The Soviet Union has joined in the worldwide condemnation of Iraq for its invasion, cut off all military supplies to its one-time close ally and is observing U.N. economic sanctions, although it is not participating in a naval blockade of Iraq.

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(AUG. 13) UPI - Bond Calendar - New Issues Scheduled for Public Sale

U.S. GOVERNMENT & FEDERAL AGENCIES (Week of Sept. 2)

Sept. 3 - $18.4 billion 13- and 26-week T-bills ($1.675 billion new cash)

TAX-EXEMPT NOTES & BONDS (Week of Sept. 2) - Courtesy of The Bond Buyer
(Issues are to be negotiated unless otherwise noted.)

$120 million New York State Medical Care Facilities Finance Agency revenue bonds.
$104.7 million Arkansas Development Authority revenue bonds.
$66.5 million Virginia Housing Development Authority revenue bonds.
$44.96 million State of Texas general obligation bonds.
$41.435 million New York State Environmental Facilities Corp. revenue bonds.

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(AUG. 31) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in dull trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Higher in dull trading.

London Stocks - Closed slightly higher in quiet trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in heavy trading.

Dollar - Closed higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn was off 2 to up 3/4, soybeans off 1 1/4 to 4, wheat off 4 1/4 to 6 1/2 and oats up 2 3/4 to 4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90243u1915 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AUG. 31) UPI - Engineers will attempt electronic bypass surgery to fix a telescope aboard the grounded shuttle Columbia in a bid to ready the hard-luck ship for launch next Wednesday on a long-delayed astronomy flight, officials said Friday.

''We think the most likely solution will lead to a Wednesday morning launch, which would be a four-day delay,'' said William Lenoir, NASA's associate administrator for space flight.

Columbia's countdown was ticking smoothly toward blastoff at 1:17 a.m. EDT Saturday when data from one of the four telescopes making up the shuttle's $150 million payload suddenly stopped flowing to the ground late Wednesday.

NASA managers reluctantly stopped the countdown and delayed the 36th shuttle mission to give engineers time to track down the problem and make repairs.

With the flight on hold, engineers opened the ship's payload bay doors Friday to gain access to an electronic ''black box'' that is believed to have caused the communications glitch.

To fix the problem, engineers planned to rig a cable to bypass a faulty electrical component. If the plan works, Columbia's countdown will resume at 1 a.m. Sunday for a launch attempt at 1:20 a.m. Wednesday.

''Anytime we get close and don't go, like a kid going to the carnival, yeah, we're frustrated and we're anxious to get going,'' Lenoir said. ''But we're not going until we're ready.''

On another front, Lenoir said the hydrogen fuel leaks that grounded Columbia in May and the shuttle Atlantis in July appear to involve the same type seals, raising the possibility that both shuttles were sidelined by contamination.

But Lenoir said he does not believe the shuttle fleet is faced with a generic design problem and that he is confident Columbia, equipped with a new fuel line fitting to replace the one that leaked in May, will prove to be leak-free this time around.

''We think we have selected hardware that is from a different lot that behaved very well during acceptance tests, far better than the two that did leak,'' Lenoir said. ''We're confident we're not going to have any leaks.''

Columbia's crew - commander Vance Brand, co-pilot Guy Gardner, John ''Mike'' Lounge, Robert Parker, Jeffrey Hoffman and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise and Samuel Durrance - planned to remain at the Kennedy Space Center until engineers determine whether the bypass operation will work.

The goal of Columbia's mission is to study invisible X-rays and ultraviolet light from the most energetic objects in the universe to learn more about the forces that shape the structure and evolution of the cosmos.

During the countdown Wednesday night, data from the Broad Band X- ray Telescope suddenly stopped. Extensive testing indicates the communications glitch involves a fault in an electronic black box used to route data from the ''BBXRT'' through the shuttle and on to the ground.

The BBXRT cannot work unless it is chilled with supercold solidified argon and given the communications glitch, mission managers could not clear Columbia for launch because of an inability to monitor the temperature and pressure of the argon.

To fix the telemetry problem, engineers planned to rig a cable to bypass the faulty ''line driver'' circuit that is blocking the flow of telemetry.

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#90243u1953 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (AUG. 31) UPI - The videogame wars are heating up on a new front: the adult market.

Videogame rivals Nintendo of America Inc. and Sega of America Inc. said Friday they would launch major advertising campaigns next week that for the first time specifically target users over 18 years old.

Industry leader Nintendo of America Inc. plans to kick off a $15 million television campaign to support its hand-held Game Boy machine, which has proven particularly popular among business executives and other adults since it was introduced last year.

At the same time, Sega of America Inc. plans to launch a $10 million TV campaign aimed at cutting into Nintendo's estimated 80 percent hold on the $5.1 billion U.S. videogame market. Sega's campaign, which touts its technically superior Genesis system, uses the slogan ''Genesis does what Nintendon't.''

Both campaigns are aimed at all ages, but they include major components aimed at the parents and older siblings of the kids and teens they have cultivated for years.

The new focus is not suprising. Many analysts see the adult market as the next growth area for videogames. With Nintendo Entertainment Systems expected to be installed in 29 million U.S. homes by the end of the year, the youth market is nearing saturation.

''With the Game Boy, we found that 40 percent of our users were 18 or over '' said Donald Coyner, advertising manager for Nintendo of America, based in Redmond, Wash. ''It's a big opportunity.''

The Game Boy machine, which sells for about $80, has become a hit among frequent business travelers, who while away time on long flights by playing such games as Super Mario Brothers.

''Sometimes it's not seen as that cool for an executive to be sitting in front of a television playing videgames,'' said Jim Willcox, news editor of the consumer electronics magazine TWICE. ''The portables allow them to do that in relative privacy.''

Sega, of South San Francisco, Calif., which expects to have 1 million Genesis systems installed in the United States by the end of the year, is going after the adult market with a machine that incorporates 16-bit computer technology to offer better graphics, sound and action than Nintendo's 8-bit system.

''Our studies show that 60 percent of Genesis owners owned a Nintendo, and nearly half are over 16,'' said Michael Katz, president of Sega's consumer products division. ''We're opening up a market among adults who demand more sophisticated games formerly only playable on expensive personal computers.''

Both companies recognize, however, that kids and teens remain the bread and butter of the videogame industry. Along with a television commercial targeted at adults, Nintendo will launch two ads aimed at the kid and teen markets.

The teen ads, which are edited in a fast-paced MTV style, feature kids talking about the games in their own lingo. In one, teen boys refer to the games as ''slammin''' and ''giggin','' both apparently terms of endearment.

''They're almost unintelligible to adults but they're perfect for kids,'' said Tim Price, the project creative director behind the ads for Foote, Cone Belding/San Francisco, the same agency that developed the Levi's 501 Blues commercials.

Sega's ads tout its extensive list of celebrity endorsers, including pop star Michael Jackson, football great Joe Montana and heavyweight champion James ''Buster'' Douglas.

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#90243u1957 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Gold futures closed 440 to 490 points lower Friday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	384.10	384.10	383.50	382.30	386.70
Oct	389.20	391.30	382.60	384.60	389.00
Dec	394.40	396.40	387.50	389.20	393.70
Feb	398.00	400.20	391.50	393.40	397.90
Apr	399.10	401.00	397.20	397.50	402.00
Jun	401.00	401.00	401.00	401.90	406.50
Aug	410.90	....	....	406.00	410.70
Oct	415.60	....	....	410.60	415.40
Dec	417.60	417.60	416.00	415.20	420.10
Feb	425.40	....	....	420.30	425.20
Apr	430.30	....	....	425.20	430.10
Jun	435.40	....	....	430.30	435.20

Open interest: 125,177 off 2,238.
Estimated sales: 40,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	389.00 up 3.63
Morning fixing	388.10 off 0.90
Afternoon fixing	387.75 off 1.25
Close	385.25 off 3.75
Paris	388.60 off 0.51
Zurich	384.50 off 5.00
Hong Kong	385.00 off 0.65
New York	
Comex spot close	382.30 off 4.40
Republic cash	382.75 off 4.25
Handy and Harman	387.75 off 2.00

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 389.06 off 2.00 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 408.51 off 2.10 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.759 off 0.048
Republic cash	4.79 off 0.044

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.80 per fine ounce off 0.025

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.815 off 0.045 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.152 off 0.048

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 488.00 off 2.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 588.00 off 2.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 113.00 unchangedper troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 128.00 unchanged.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90243u1972 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

AMMAN, Jordan (AUG. 31) UPI - Demonstrators burned American, British and Israeli as about 50,000 people gathered in a stadium Friday for the largest outpouring of pro-Iraqi sentiment in Jordan since U.S.-dominated military forces were deployed in the Persian Gulf.

Protesters shouted anti-American slogans and carried banners denouncing Washington and Israel during the massive rally at Al Mahatta Stadium. The rally was organized by the Moslem Brotherhood.

''No to the U.S. presence in the land of prophesy,'' ''We shall knock on the doors of paradise with the skulls of Americans and Israelis,'' and ''Wanted: grave diggers to bury the American invaders,'' read some of the banners.

Several members of Parliament from the opposition Islamic Bloc, of which the Moslem Brotherhood is the main component, spoke to the crowd of about 50,000 people, labeling the U.S.-led military intervention as a ''crusade'' against the Arabs and Moslems.

They criticized those Arab leaders who have supported and provided troops for the multinational military contingent in the Gulf.

''(Egyptian President) Hosni Mubarak does not allow ships carrying food and medicine for Iraqi children, but yet opens his Suez Canal for the enemy to bring in their lethal weapons to kill our very own children,'' said Sheikh Abdul Mun'em Abu Zant, the most popular Islamic deputy in Parliament.

Organizers of the rally wore military outfits and green headbands and a university choir sang militant songs as youths with black masks marched through the crowd and veiled women yoddled and cried.

''I have four sons that I will give away to fight the Jihad (holy war) against the Americans if they attack any Arab nation,'' Zeina Oweini, one of thousands of women attending the demonstration, declared with tears in her eyes.

Support for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in his confrontation with the West blossomed in Jordan when the American-led multi-national troops began deploying in Saudi Arabia and the waters of the Gulf.

Many Jordanians were outraged by the foreign presence in Saudi Arabia because it is the site of Islam's holiest shrines and reportedly some 80,000 have signed up to fight for Iraq if the United States launches an attack.

They also regard as hypocritical the swift implementation of U.N. resolutions against Iraq, while those concerning the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip have not been put into effect.

Jordan's King Hussein has also condemned the foreign military intervention thereby placing government foreign policy on a par with popular sentiments, raising his popularity to an unprecedented level.

Numerous anti-American, pro-Iraqi demonstrations have been held in Jordan since the Gulf crisis erupted on Aug. 2 with the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, but Friday's gathering was easily the largest.

-30- 3074

#90243u1979 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 21 to 50 points lower. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.70	10.73	10.27	10.33	10.83
Mar	10.48	10.52	10.25	10.30	10.60
May	10.48	10.51	10.35	10.40	10.61
Jly	10.47	10.48	10.31	10.37	10.62
Oct	10.50	10.60	10.40	10.40	10.70

Estimated sales: 28,050 contracts

Open interest: 118,924 off 1,551

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.47

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday 9 points higher to 6 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.40	23.41	23.38	23.38	23.40

Jan	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.16
Mar	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.95	23.01
May	23.02	23.02	23.02	23.02	23.02
Jly	23.02	23.02	23.02	23.02	23.02
Sep	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
Nov	22.78	....	....	22.87	22.78

Estimated sales: 158 contracts
Open interest: 10,373 off 314

-30- 1194
#90243u2009 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES
At close
Aug. 30, 1990

Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	448.83	off 7.61	up 4.49
Growth & Income	698.51	off 7.84	up 3.24
Balanced	455.19	off 8.19	up 2.25

Average Fund Performances:

Capital Appreciation (146)	off 8.71	up 4.17
Growth (260)	off 7.45	up 4.38
Small Co. Growth (82)	off 10.52	up 4.99
Growth & Income (200)	off 7.07	up 3.41
Equity Income (66)	off 8.82	up 2.60
Average 754 Equity	off 8.05	up 3.99
Health/Biotech (9)	up 6.55	up 7.91
Natural Resources (19)	off 0.55	off 0.25
Science & Technology (23)	off 6.58	up 6.56
Specialty/Misc (36)	off 8.93	up 3.99
Utility (15)	off 9.05	up 1.32
Financial Services (10)	off 16.31	up 3.58
Real Estate (6)	off 12.11	up 3.37
Option Income (10)	off 6.72	up 3.04
Global (40)	off 5.71	up 4.56
International (56)	off 5.02	up 4.69
European Region (17)	up 3.61	up 3.61
Pacific Region (18)	off 12.65	up 6.61
Gold Oriented (34)	off 12.27	off 6.93
Average All Equity (1047)	off 7.74	up 3.70
Flexible Portfolio (46)	off 4.36	up 2.26
Global Flexible Port (11)	off 3.69	up 0.47
Balanced (61)	off 4.13	up 2.36
Convertible Security (29)	off 5.12	up 2.03
Mixed Income (14)	off 3.12	up 1.08

Income (4)		off	5.09	off	0.04
World Income (44)		up	6.80	off	0.42
Fixed Income (532)		up	0.95	up	0.38
Average 1788 Funds		off	4.44	up	2.45
Median 1788 Funds		off	4.27	up	2.26
Unmanaged Market Indicators:					
DJ Industrial	2,593.32	off	5.81	up	4.43
S&P 500	318.71	off	9.82	up	3.79
S&P 400	377.69	off	6.39	up	4.27
NYSE Composite	175.23	off	10.16	up	3.76
Amex	322.91	off	14.57	up	2.24

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)
Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

-30- 2778
#90243u2027 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $3 to $23 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.75 to 1.70 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.50 cent higher to 0.90 cent a pound lower for a 25,000- pound contract.

Cotton - 0.02 to 0.75 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $4.40 to $4.90 an ounce lower for a 100-troy- ounce contract.

Platinum - $0.20 to $3.30 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1 to 1.60 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 4.80 to 5.30 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.021 to 0.050 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

-30- 944
#90243u2055 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.89	8.06	8.93
91-day Treasury bills	7.62	7.69	8.12
182-day Treasury bills	7.73	7.79	7.77
1-year Treasury bills	7.76	7.81	7.64
3-year Treasury notes	8.07	8.30	8.27
7-year Treasury notes	8.75	8.75	8.20
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.98	8.97	8.21
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.50	9.50	8.96
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.97	9.97	9.26
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.22	9.24	9.29
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.48	9.50	9.24
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.51	9.53	9.42
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.52	9.51	9.40

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

-30- 1369
#90243u2079 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - Fear, humor and exasperation were all voiced today by women waiting to be released in Iraq and occupied Kuwait. One woman seated with a group of children angrily told reporters- ''They're breaking their hearts by taking away their fathers... and now we sit here again. We feel like idiots.'' Iraqi officials say they are eager to release 237 foreign women... but are waiting on foreign governments to complete their end of preparations.

The State Department has confirmed a report that it is keeping a file on possible war crimes committed by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein . A spokeswoman says it is normal practice for the department to review actions that might break the 1949 Geneva conference on rules of war. The convention... which Iraq signed... forbids the taking of civilian hostages.

Talks remain stalled... but Mohawk Indians and Canadian soldiers today resumed tearing down barricades around reserves south of Montreal. Indians set up the barricades this summer against the proposed use of land the

Mohawks claim as their own. Ndgctiations between the Indians and Quebec broke down last night when the Warrior faction of Mohawks demanded sovereignty.

Police in Lebanon say nine people have been killed in fighting between Shiite Moslems since an ambush last night. Amal militiamen fired on the car of a prominent Hezbollah official... killing him and three bodyguards. Security sources report an ensuing seven-hour gunbattle was halted by Syrian troops.

In Minneapolis, a woman is suing a retired judge for battery... charging he kissed her after mediating her lawsuit against a former employer. The woman says the kiss caused her ''emotional distress.'' The 74-year-old retired judge would NOT say whether the kiss occurred but denied that he behaved improperly.

-30- 1983

#90243u2101 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (AUG. 31) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.60 1/2-2.62 1/2 off 2 1/4-4 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.00 3/4-6.01 off 1 3/4-2.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.43 1/4 off 2-7.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.57 1/4-2.58 3/4 off 1 1/4.

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#90243u2115 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) UPI - Lower hog and corn prices contributed to a 1.3 percent drop in the farm price index for August, despite record-high market prices milk and cattle, the federal government said Friday.

The farm price index is the government's measurement of prices farmers receive for their crops and livestock. The August reading of 150 marked the third time this year the index has fallen.

''Lower prices for hogs, grapefruit and corn were partially offset by higher prices for cattle, eggs and milk,'' the Agriculture Department said. ''The beef cattle price, at $75.40 (per 100 pounds), was a record high. The milk price was a record for August.''

The all-milk price was listed as $14.40 per 100 pounds, up 30 cents from July and $1.20 higher than August 1989.

Beef cattle prices were $1.80 per 100 pounds higher than July and far above the $69.70 average of August 1989.

By contrast, hog prices averaged $56 per 100 pounds, down $4.80 from July.

Corn sold for an average of $2.46 per bushel, down 16 cents from July. Wheat was $2.59 a bushel, down 20 cents from July and $1.15 a bushel lower than the preceding August when farmers were harvesting a much smaller crop.

In addition, sorghum fell 29 cents to $4.15 per 100 pounds. Barley and oat were down 6 cents a bushel each with barley averaging $2.10 and oats $1.09.

Egg prices averaged 65.6 cents a dozen for August, up 10 cents from July.

At $5.57 a box, grapefruit prices were less than half of their July average of $12.32. The government said the all fruit index was down 11 percent from July. Apple, peach and strawberry prices were up but prices declined for lemons and oranges.

In June, the index stood at 151. It advanced to 152 in July. The August mark of 150 was 5 points or 3.4 percent higher than August 1989.

-30- 2006

#90243u2119 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) UPI - The Office of Thrift Supervision placed Ensign Bank of New York in receivership Friday and chartered a new institution, Ensign Federal Savings Bank, to assume certain assets and liabilities.

The new thrift will operate under the management of the Resolution Trust Corp., the government agency overseeing the bailout of the nation's troubled savings and loan industry.

The OTS said it ''initiated the action because Ensign was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition in that it had insufficient capital, with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.''

''Ensign's condition is due primarily to a high level of non- performing assets caused by poor underwriting, inadequate appraisal policies and, to a lesser degree, the softening New York-area real estate market,'' the OTS said.

The institution operates 19 branches in New York, New Jersey and Florida, and will remain open for business as usual. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

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#90243u2126 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for Latest Period vs. Year Earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Bearnings Inc (2nd Q 6-30)	
$164,023,000	$168,157,000
$807,000 (.11)	$5,840,000 (.79)
Sanderson Farms (3rd Q 7-31)	
$47,729,000	$50,855,000
$3,313,000 (.36)	$5,965,000 (.66)
Schneider Corp (3rd Q 8-4)	
$151,553,000	$154,846,000
d-$657,000	$311,000 (.12)
d-Deficit.	
Thomaston Mills (4th Q 6-30)	
$50,003,679	$53,212,650
$1,788,159 (.56)	$2,621,859 (.82)
Vestron Inc (2nd Q 6-30)	
$33,878,000	$52,692,000
d-$12,443,000	d-$64,989,000
d-Deficit.	

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#90243u2127 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	55	up 5-8
AT&T Company	32 1-4	up 3-4
BCE Corp	32	off 1-4
Bell Atlantic	42 1-8	up 1
BellSouth	50 5-8	up 1-2
Exxon Corp	49 3-4	up 7-8
Ford Motor	34 7-8	up 1-8
Genl Electric	62	up 1-8
Genl Motor	39 3-8	up 1-8
GTE Corp	25 5-8	up 3-8
IBM Corp	101 5-8	off 1-8
Mobil Corp	63 3-8	up 3-8

Nynex Corp	69 7-8	off 1-8
Pac Gas & El	20 3-4	unch
Pac Telesis	38 3-4	up 7-8
Phila Elec	15 1-8	up 1-8
Sears Roebuck	29 3-8	off 1-8
Southern Co	23 1-4	unch
Swstrn Bell	48 1-4	off 5-8
U S West Co	34 1-2	up 3-4

-30- 1005

#90243u2140 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.11	off 0.14
10 Public Utils	89.75	off 0.11
10 Industrials	88.48	off 0.17

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#90243u2144 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) UPI - Fear, humor and exasperation were all apparent in the voices of women held as hostages in Iraq and Kuwait Friday as they waited to see if Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would follow through with promises to allow foreign women and children to leave the crisis region.

''I've got all kinds of emotion,'' one woman told Cable Network News in an interview apparently conducted Baghdad's Melia Mansour Hotelt. ''Every moment we're here is frightening.''

The most plaintive plea for freedom seemed to come from a British woman, who told CNN of an immediate need to free children from the crisis zone.

''We want a plane for children. That's all we're asking. One plane. One plane,'' she said in a choked voice. She and other said some of the children had dysentery and they were unable eat.

But other women sounded upbeat as they spoke with reporters and said they have been well treated in captivity, even though it has been wearying.

''(I was) treated very well by the Iraqis. The ones we've come into contact with they've been very nice, very obliging ... The only thing they couldn't give us was freedom, and that's the only thing we wanted,'' said a Scottish woman.

Iraqi officials said late Friday they were eager to release 237 foreign women but were waiting on foreign governments to complete their end of

preparations.

The official Iraqi news agency quoted an Iraqi Information Ministry spokesman Friday afternoon as saying Iraqi planes will be ready within hours to tranfer Britons and French home. British Ambassador to Iraq Harold Walker and other diplomats were quoted by BBC television as saying the first women and children were to leave Baghdad Saturday.

The Iraqi news report said the 237 women and children to be released include 132 Britons, 19 French, 14 Americans, two Australians, 66 Japanese and four other foreigners. Iraq said 28 women had decided to stay in the region with their families.

Jordan radio quoted Italian officials as saying 19 Italian women and children crossed Friday from Jordan from Iraq.

There was no word on the fate of thousands of other foreign women and children trapped in the region.

U.S. officials estimated there are about 250 American women and children in Iraq and 900 in Kuwait. This is out of a total estimated 3,500 Americans being held in the two countries.

Of an estimated 4,000 Britons being held, 137 women and children had received exit visas, the British Foreign Office said.

Confusion about when the foreigners would be allowed to leave was apparent in comments from some of the women waiting to leave.

''Nobody will tell us when we're going home,'' one woman said. ''Why can't anybody tell us.''

Another woman seated at a table with children said in an angry tone, ''They're breaking their hearts by taking away their fathers. ... And now we sit here again. We feel like idiots.''

But a British woman held since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait said, ''We're going home. It's been implied very soon - today or tomorrow.''

The toll of being moved from one place to another and of being held in hotel rooms has been frustrating and frightening for some of the hostages.

''I really do feel like I'm a shield against bombing. I think that's a fear of everybody here.'' an American woman taken from her apartment Tuesday told CNN.

''We've been traveling ... eight moves now,'' another woman told BBC television. ''Different locations, hotels, military....'' The report was

cut at that point by Iraqi military censors.

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#90243u2147 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2614.36	up	21.04
20 Trans	901.44	up	0.18
15 Utils	195.93	up	2.21
65 Stocks	903.79	up	5.89

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#90243u2150 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2614.36	up	21.04	901.44	up	0.18	195.93	up	2.21
Thursday	2593.32	off	39.11	901.26	off	9.87	193.72	off	1.89
Week ago	2532.92	up	49.50	869.71	up	8.40	190.96	off	0.75
Month ago	2809.65	off	54.95	1039.05	off	39.23	209.70	off	2.38
Year ago	2752.09	up	14.82	1526.32	up	16.90	218.62	up	1.32
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

-30- 854

#90243u2152 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

CLEVELAND (AUG. 31) UPI - A grand jury Friday indicted Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. and two former employees on securities fraud violations stemming from millions of dollars in customer losses in the stock market crash of 1987.

In addition to the corporation, the 126-count indictment handed up by a Cuyahoga County grand jury named Sheldon Strauss, a former account executive at Shearson's Cleveland office, and Stephen Weinberg, the former office manager.

Strauss allegedly lost millions of dollars of his clients' money by illegal trades, which authorities said were known by Weinberg.

Each was charged with 21 counts each of fraudulent securities trading and 21 counts each of making false representations regarding securities transactions.

A spokesman for Shearson Lehman in New York said the company would not

comment until officials saw a copy of the indictment. Strauss and Weinberg could not be reached for comment.

Ohio Securities Commissioner Mark Holderman, whose agency investigated the case, said Shearson Lehman has already settled more than $4.9 million worth of claims from Strauss's former clients, many of whom suffered extensive losses on ''Black Monday,'' Oct. 19, 1987, when the Dow Jones industrial average dropped more than 500 points.

He said state agents began investigating the brokerage shortly after the crash, when authorities began receiving complaints.

''He (Strauss) would place his investors in highly speculative stocks, some not even recommended by Shearson Lehman Hutton,'' Holderman said. ''Sometimes, he put them into margin accounts, so they would be highly leveraged.''

Buying on margin entails putting down only a small percentage of the stock's price for a particular day, with the understanding the balance would be paid weeks or months later - based on the stock's price at the time the margin was put down.

If the stock price goes up in that period, the investor makes a tidy profit. If it goes down, the investor is forced to buy the stock at a price considerably higher than the price it is trading that particular day.

''When we had the market crash, people found they not only lost their investment, a lot found their (purchases) were in margin accounts and that they owed money. This was a suprise to many people.

''Whenever you are leveraged like that and the market goes down, you lose your equity and you lose money you, in a sense, borrowed. People thought they were investing, say, $30,000. All of a sudden they are losing that $30,000 and considerably more.''

Strauss was buying and selling stocks without authorization and buying on margin without knowledge of his customers, Holderman said.

''Speculating with other people's money was a serious problem with Mr. Strauss,'' he said.

-30- 3014

#90243u2169 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 2 to 75 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	74.26	74.55	73.40	73.83	74.58
Dec	72.70	73.04	71.86	72.19	72.86
Mar	73.75	74.15	73.00	73.30	73.90
May	74.35	74.50	73.70	74.00	74.47
Jly	74.30	74.30	74.00	74.00	74.43
Oct	70.00	70.25	70.00	69.85	70.20
Dec	68.45	68.45	68.40	68.40	68.42

Estimated sales: 3,000 contracts
Open interest: 33,400 off 628
The World spot average: 74.34

-30- 716
#90243u2174 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 176.93 up 1.70
ASE Market Value Index 323.39 up 0.48
Dow-Jones Industrial 2614.36 up 21.04

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#90243u2176 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:
Stocks - 8,250,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,397,370,425
Bonds - $2,850,000
1990 to date - $494,610,000

-30- 326
#90243u2178 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:
Stocks - 96,480,000 shares
1990 to date - 27,050,376,152
Warrants - 485,600
1990 to date - 171,646,700

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#90243u2181 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Friday - $20,760,000
1990 to date - $7,642,390,000

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#90243u2188 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2594.55	2624.50	2569.31	2614.36	up 21.04
20 Trans	900.15	908.28	890.53	901.44	up 0.18
15 Utils	193.66	196.24	192.78	195.93	up 2.21
65 Stock	897.80	907.83	889.61	903.79	up 5.89

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	12,062,500	15,483,900
Trans	1,758,200	2,603,300
Utils	2,621,600	2,664,800
65 Stock	16,442,300	20,752,000

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.11	off 0.14
10 Public Utils	89.75	off 0.11
10 Industrials	88.48	off 0.17

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 132.46 off 0.77.

-30- 933

#90243u2196 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Thu	Fri	Thu
Argntn austral	.000162	.000157	6188.70	6360.00
Australia dlr	.8140	.8185	1.2285	1.2217
Austria schill	.0907	.0907	11.03	11.02
Belgium franc-c	.0310	.0311	32.30	32.15
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	33.95	33.95
Brazil cruzado	.0142	.0142	70.20	70.20
Britain pound	1.8935	1.9175	.5281	.5215
Britain 1-mo	1.8827	1.9067	.5312	.5245
Britain 3-mo	1.8623	1.8860	.5370	.5302
Britain 6-mo	1.8342	1.8575	.5452	.5384
Canada dollar	.8639	.8731	1.1575	1.1453
Canada 1-mo	.8606	.8699	1.1620	1.1495

Canada 3-mo	.8543	.8634	1.1705	1.1582
Canada 6-mo	.8469	.8556	1.1808	1.1688
Chile peso-f	.003371	.003345	296.67	298.92
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001943	.001946	514.55	514.00
Denmark krne	.1665	.1667	6.0065	5.9985
Ecudr sucre-z	.001112	.001116	892.98	895.95
Egypt pound	.3742	.3742	2.6727	2.6727
Finlnd mrkka	.2703	.2717	3.7000	3.6810
France franc	.1892	.1905	5.2860	5.2485
France 1-mo	.1889	.1902	5.2939	5.2563
France 3-mo	.1882	.1896	5.3134	5.2753
France 6-mo	.1872	.1885	5.3433	5.3048
Greece drach	.006496	.006489	153.95	154.10
Hollnd guildr	.5632	.5669	1.7756	1.7640
HongKong dlr	.1288	.1288	7.7610	7.7610
India rupee	.0572	.0575	17.47	17.40
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000542	1846.00	1844.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7015	1.7105	0.5872	0.5846
Israel shekel	.4995	.4995	2.0020	2.0020
Italy lira	.000855	.000861	1169.50	1161.00
Japan yen	.006947	.006935	143.95	144.20
Japan 1-mo	.006995	.006959	142.95	143.70
Japan 3-mo	.007095	.007008	140.95	142.70
Japan 6-mo	.007145	.007018	139.95	142.50
Jordan dinar	1.5399	1.5399	.6494	.6494
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000348	.000347	2877.00	2878.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6147	.6160	1.6268	1.6234
Norway krne	.1641	.1651	6.0930	6.0580
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.52	21.52
Peru inti	.000003	.000003	359,525	334,900
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escud	.007285	.007290	137.27	137.17
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5671	.5659	1.7635	1.7670
S.Africa rand	.3922	.3922	2.5500	2.5500
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010196	.010277	98.08	97.30
Sweden krona	.1729	.1737	5.7840	5.7560
Switzrl franc	.7631	.7725	1.3105	1.2945
Switzrl 1-mo	.7628	.7724	1.3109	1.2946
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7621	.7721	1.3122	1.2952
Switzrl 6-mo	.7607	.7706	1.3146	1.2977
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.89	26.90

Turkey lira	.000376	.000376	2663.00	2663.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6628	3.6628
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0209	.0209	47.77	47.89
W.Ger Mark	.6339	.6384	1.5775	1.5663
W.Ger 1-mo	.6338	.6383	1.5779	1.5666
W.Ger 3-mo	.6332	.6379	1.5792	1.5677
W.Ger 6-mo	.6318	.6366	1.5829	1.5708
Yugosl dinar	.0933	.0930	10.72	10.75

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 323.40, low 321.59, close 323.39, up 0.48.

There was a gain of 1 cent in the average share price.

Volume 8,250,000 shares, compared with 10,750,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	0
New Lows	39
Advances	287
Declines	212
Unchanged	212
Total Issues	711

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#90243u2203 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (AUG. 31) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev said Friday urgent measures to stabilize the economy will be imposed during the next several months as debate continues on a draft plan to ''move resolutely'' to a market economy.

Gorbachev did not give specifics but said the stabilization program would entail a series of ''centralized methods'' designed to ''tie up hot money and block the channel for the growth of quick money and incomes.''

The Soviet president, speaking at a news conference after a two-day meeting of leaders from the central government and the 15 republics, said

a draft plan on the overall move to a market economy will be ready in a week.

''We are living through serious tests. We are running out of time,'' Gorbachev said.

''This meeting was one of the major events of perestroika, since it was dedicated to the question of further reforms, new changes in the economic life of the union,'' he said.

''Through joint effort, we have to do this, because the situation in the country is very serious,'' Gorbachev said.

The Soviet president said work was continuing to combine the ideas proposed by a joint commission he set up with his main critic, Boris Yeltsin, and a separate government panel set up by Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov.

Gorbachev said a single plan would be ready in a week to present to the parliaments of each republic and the national Supreme Soviet, but he added that compromises still need to be worked out on the key areas of prices, stabilizing measures, taxation, budgets and hard currency.

''The comparison of the two drafts will enable us to find an optimal solution,'' Gorbachev said. ''There are still two or three elements that differ. ...All these questions will be analyzed further.''

Gorbachev said any move to a market system would be hampered unless the economy is stabilized first by dealing with the so-called ''ruble-overhang'' and controlling incomes to avoid high inflation.

''It has been decided advisable at this stage of the stabilization of the economy ... to use administrative measures, that is centralized methods,'' he said. ''You should not be surprised by this. If you analyze similar situations that happen in the history of differnent states in a similar situation, they were also used.

''I believe we cannot just leap into a market without solving the task of stabilization. This does not imply that through stabilization measures we will be able to resolve the economic and social problems. It signifies we will prepare our economy better to move more resolutely to the market.

Gorbachev said the stabilization measures would be implemented ''in the last three months of this year and the first three months of next year.''

''We shall act in a manner that will enable us to introduce market elements and create market infrastructures,'' he said.

The meeting Thursday and Friday involved leaders of the central government

the Presidential Council of Gorbachev advisers, the Federation Council that groups the leaders of the 15 Soviet republics and leaders of the so-called autonomous regions within the republics. There were more than 50 speakers.

''I am satisfied with the outcome, though sometimes it was quite dramatic '' he said.

Nearly all the Soviet republics have declared their independence or sovereignty since the beginning of the year, leading to clashes with Moscow.Two of Gorbachev's biggest headaches in this regard are the Baltic republic's push for a total separation and the huge Russian republic's efforts to control valuable gold, oil and other resources on its territory.

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#90243u2208 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - The dollar traded mostly higher Friday in thin, pre-holiday New York dealings, easing against the Japanese yen but gaining heavily on the British pound as players took protective weekend positions.

The firming of the dollar was in part a continuation of its recovery from the extremely low levels set the previous week on intense Persian Gulf war fears, but also came as a result of a rise in the key Japanese interest rate.

Currency players moved out of various European units into the yen on the Bank of Japan discount rate hike, which also helped the dollar.

Foreign exchange market participants also bought dollars on the chance that a bad turn in the Gulf situation might suddenly boost their value.

''I think your bottom line is no one will go home short dollars for the weekend,'' said Earl Johnson, a vice president and currency analyst with Harris Trust & Savings Bank in Chicago.

Late in the New York trading session, the dollar was quoted at 1.5764 German marks, up nearly a pfennig from 1.5665 marks Thursday, and at 143.80 Japanese yen, off from 144.25 yen the previous day.

Corporate trader Mark Morris of National Westminster Bank in New York said he though the dollar has hit ''a kind of plateau'' after a long decline.

But Harris's Johnson said the dollar's rally was technical. Any more progress would depend on ''whether we have a diplomatic solution or we're back to conflict'' in the Gulf crisis.

Increased tensions will bolster the dollar, he said, while lessened war

fears will focus attention on U.S. economic woes, weakening it.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3080 Swiss francs, up from 1.2960; 5.2870 French francs, ahead from 5.2510; and 1,165 Italian lire, up from 1,161.50.

The British pound plunged to $1.8890 from $1.9170.

In Europe, the dollar closed mixed against the key currencies, but the British pound sterling took center stage as it tumbled.

Various factors combined to push sterling down 2.8 cents against the dollar to close at $1.8930 compared with $1.9210 Thursday.

Some dealers suggested the pound's surprising turnaround followed an enormous selling order from a Far East central bank.

Sterling also was pressured by a drop in oil prices, uncertainty over when it would enter the European Exchange Rate Mechanism, and speculation the Deutsche Bundesbank would shortly raise its key interest rate.

In Frankfurt, the dollar ended higher at 1.5750 marks against 1.5650. It was also up in Zurich at 1.3080 Swiss francs from 1.2969.

The dollar fell in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to 5.2425 French francs vs. 5.2615, 32.20 Belgian francs vs. 32.22 and at 1,159.20 lire vs. 1,163.30.

In Tokyo, the dollar drifted higher against the yen as market players bought the U.S. currency ahead of the long Labor Day weekend. The dollar closed at 144.50 yen, up 0.40 yen from 144.10 yen Thursday.

Gold closed lower in Zurich at $384.50 against $389.50. It also came off in London, to $385.25 compared with $389 the previous day.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $382.75 an ounce, off from $387 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $382.30 an ounce, down from $386.70.

Silver closed lower in Zurich at $4.80 an ounce vs. $4.85. It fell in London to $4.81 an ounce from $4.85.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.79 an ounce, off from $4.834. Comex silver finished at $4.759 an ounce, down from $4.807.

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#90243u2223 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Dozens of Westerners in Iraq were receiving passports to freedom today. 19 Italians arrived in Jordan and a number of other

foreigners received exit visas. It was the first sign that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was keeping his pledge to release all foreign women and children trapped in Iraq and occupied Kuwait. Iraq is also reportedly set to fly 237 of the foreigners to London and Paris.

A San Marcos, California, businessman says ''it was a privilege'' to uncover an Iraqi scheme to obtain triggers for nuclear weapons. The U-S Customs Service today awarded Jerold Kowalsky its highest honor for blowing the whistle on the operation. Kowalsky warned the Iraqis would eventually get their hands on the technology for nuclear weapons, but said he was glad he could help slow them down.

South Africa's ruling National Party is on its way toward having a truly open membership for the first time since its creation in 1914. President Frederik de Klerk announced the move to admit members of all races today, saying the party was searching for new political allies in advance of negotiations with black leaders. The change was immediately endorsed by the first of four annual provincial party congresses that must approve the measure.

Saying the Soviet Union was running out of time, President Gorbachev announced today he'll impose urgent measures to stabilize the economy. Gorbachev says the stabilization program will be put in place during the next several months. He did NOT give specifics. The announcement coincided with continued debate on a draft plan to change to a market economy.

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#90243u2226 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	377.69	230.23	126.41	23.68	318.71
Opening	377.89	230.12	126.63	23.65	318.88
11 a.m.	376.36	229.39	126.08	23.56	317.59
Noon	377.81	229.90	126.57	23.67	318.82
1 p.m.	379.83	230.47	127.32	23.78	320.52
2 p.m.	379.46	230.40	127.18	23.76	320.21
3 p.m.	379.98	231.11	127.25	23.79	320.62
Close	382.03	231.64	128.44	24.00	322.56
Change	up 4.34	up 1.41	up 2.03	up 0.32	up 3.85

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#90243u2229 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value 323.39 up 0.48

High Technology	323.85	up	1.87
Capital Goods	351.56	up	0.34
Consumer Goods	394.02	up	2.85
Service	712.02	up	4.25
Retail	1054.23	up	6.93
Financial	373.84	off	0.56
Natural Resources	245.95	off	1.23
Housing-Const-Land	331.73	up	1.99

There was a loss of 1 cent in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS			
New England	408.07	up	1.34
Mid Atlantic	410.99	up	2.01
No Central	444.69	off	1.03
So Atlantic	928.64	up	5.13
So Central	319.78	up	2.37
Mountain	115.42	up	1.91
Pacific	378.09	up	1.18
Foreign	243.84	off	1.25

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#90243u2231 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Friday	382.03	231.64	128.44	24.00	322.56
Thursday	377.69	230.23	126.41	23.68	318.71
Week ago	368.75	221.52	124.60	23.18	311.51
Month ago	407.06	256.39	138.69	25.96	333.86
Year ago	405.27	329.79	142.02	33.49	353.73
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	362.23	220.36	124.60	22.87	307.06

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NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	24.50-24.60	23.85-23.95
North Sea Brent	28.20-28.25	27.43-27.53
West Texas Intermed	27.30-27.35	26.80-26.90
Light Louisiana Sweet	28.35-28.45	27.80-27.90

New York Harbor spot products
(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	96.60-96.85	89.60-89.85
No. 2 Heating oil	74.55-74.80	74.00-74.25

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products
(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	88.20-88.45	86.60-86.85
No. 2 Heating oil	73.50-73.70	73.90-74.00

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#90243u2241 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Ohio Edison	2,757,400	16 7/8	up	1/4
Bank New England	2,640,300	2 1/8	up	1 1/8
Genl Motors	1,226,600	39 3/4	up	1/2
Wal-Mart Stores	1,150,900	28 1/2	up	3/4
Toys R Us	1,039,500	25 3/8	off	1/8
Philip Morris	1,028,900	45 1/8	up	5/8
Amer Express	971,700	24 1/8	up	3/4
IBM Corp	885,400	101 7/8	up	1/8
Global Marine	873,100	6	up	1/2
Genl Electric	871,900	62	up	1/8
Exxon Corp	863,300	50	up	1 1/8
Ford Motor	793,100	34 7/8	up	1/8
Compaq Computr	787,000	46 3/8	off	1 7/8
AT&T Co	778,700	32 3/8	up	7/8
Citzns & Sthrn	754,500	21 3/4	up	2 3/8

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#90243u2243 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - A county sheriff in Florida says investigators searching for a serial killer have a ''sincere interest'' in a University of Florida student they've questioned. But police woN'T say the man is among a ''pool of suspects'' in five slayings in Gainesville. The sheriff says the 18-year-old man was arrested yesterday for beating his grandmother and is being held on one-Million dollars bond.

NASA says it will try re-wiring a component on the shuttle Columbia to get it back on track for blastoff. The shuttle's countdown was halted Wednesday when data stopped coming in from a telescope in the ship's cargo bay. Engineers believe they will know by tomorrow whether their fix-it job

is on the right track. If so, launch will be rescheduled for Wednesday. The Columbia mission is already three months behind because of a fuel leak.

A proposal sent to Congress would mean rural physicians could see fatter checks from Medicare. Country doctors generally receive smaller Medicare payments than their big-city counterparts for the same service... because the payment is based on prevailing local charges. Health Secretary Louis Sullivan today sent Congress a proposed model fee schedule meant to make Medicare payments more uniform.

A scientist says she has found NO persuasive evidence of higher cancer rates caused by the Three Mile Island nuclear reactor accident 11 years ago. The conclusions were based on records of hospitals within 10 miles of the reactor near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. But citizens groups say the study was too small and did NOT ask residents what they experienced.

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#90243u2246 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Paine Webber wtB	515,900	7 1/8	off 1/2
Hillhaven Corp	315,800	1 1/2	unch
Fst Aust Prime	308,700	9 1/8	unch
Salomon wtJn	302,900	15 5/8	off 3/8
ENSCO	287,400	4	unch
Eksport wt	221,700	7 1/8	off 1/2
Air & Wtr Tch	185,200	18	unch
Echo Bay Mn	179,800	13 3/8	unch
DWG Cor	158,100	6 7/8	up 3/8
Dow Chemical rt	146,600	6 1/2	off 1/4

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#90243u2251 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) UPI - Victims of this week's devasting tornado in northeastern Illinois may be eligible for emergency food stamp benefits, the government said Friday.

The Food and Nutrition Service said it began distribution of the emergency benefits on Thursday. The aid was requested by state officials.

Victims residing in the tornado disaster area can apply through Sept. 7 for emergency food stamps if they are experiencing loss or inaccessibility of income or if they face additional disaster-related expenses.

Applicants determined to be eligible for aid will be given emergency authorizations that can be redeemed for food stamps at currency exchanges in Plainfield and Crest Hill, Ill., the government said.

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#90243u2268 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Lagest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange in regional markets Friday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
CSX pf	174	off	42 3/4
Benficial pfC	198	off	12
Enron pf	177 1/4	off	8 5/8
Captl Cities	476	up	6 1/2
Duke pf	228 3/4	off	4 1/2
Pennzoil Co	82	up	4
OryxEnr	51 1/4	up	3
Sovran Financial	26 1/2	up	2 3/4
CNA Fncl	66 1/2	up	2 1/2
CBS Corp	174 5/8	up	2 1/2

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NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	381.21	up	2.53	367.33	471.34
Industrial	406.94	up	2.98	390.71	457.04
Finance	383.50	up	0.46	373.44	558.14
Insurance	445.53	up	1.06	436.92	542.85
Utility	510.24	up	8.90	482.73	745.92
Bank	287.01	up	0.78	277.50	490.66
Transport	413.51	off	0.56	410.32	467.80

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 360.59

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 167.03 up 1.11

Industrial Index 168.83 up 1.16

NASDAQ-100 Index 387.23 up 5.78

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#90243u2279 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	0
New lows	39

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	287	2,840,600
Declines	212	3,106,000
Unchanged	212	2,303,400
Total	711	8,250,000

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#90243u2282 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

ALBANY, N.Y. (AUG. 31) UPI - Timing chemotherapy treatment to the body's own biological rhythms may offer hope to some people with advanced kidney disease previously considered fatal, researchers reported Friday.

Kidney or renal cell cancer affects some 12,000 Americans each year and 10,000 die. In its late stages, when the cancer has spread beyond the kidneys, it is virtually always fatal.

The expected survival rate for advanced kidney cancer has been three months to six months. However, researchers found about 10 percent of 68 patients undergoing the new treatment timed to body rhythms had a total disappearance of the cancer.

''Chemotherapy had been thought to be totally useless, and our study shows it actually gives some hope,'' said Dr. William Hrushesky of the Albany Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, who directed the study published in the September issue of Journal of Clinical Oncology.

By administering chemotherapy on the basis of the body's circadian rhythms Hrushesky said it appears tumors were more efficiently attacked and there was a greater likelihood the drug would be present during a sensitive phase of the tumor cells' metabolic activity.

Circadian rhythms are cyclical changes in bodily functions, such as temperature, blood pressure and urine volume that vary on a daily, 24-hour schedule.

The decision to time chemotherapy to such rhythms was based on animal research that found chemotherapy was most effective if administered during evening hours.

In the new ouients had a small computerized infusion pump filled with floxuridine, or FUDR, implanted in their body. The pump was programmed to deliver most of each day's dose in the evening hours, when the drug was thought to have a less toxic effect. Patients did not have to be

hospitalized, and their pumps were refilled every two to four weeks on an outpatient basis.

All 68 patients chosen for the study had late-stage kidney cancer that had spread from their kidneys into other areas of the body.

''We took on all comers, and all had an advanced form of the disease,'' Hrushesky said. ''We didn't exclude anyone for any reason. We didn't select them according to any criteria that would skew the results in our favor.''

The study found one in four patients treated with circadian infusions of achieved at least a 50 percent shrinkage or total disappearance of the cancer. Long-term control of the previously progressive disease, or more than 25 percent tumor shrinkage, was achieved in another 50 percent of patients.

The median rate of survival for all patients was 15 months.

However, patients who responded to the treatment survived an average of 33 months. If just a partial response was achieved, patients survived slightly more than two years.

Formerly, the prognosis for advanced kidney cancer patients had been dismal because the disease had been unresponsive to all previously tested chemotherapy treatments, researchers said.

The only other possibly effective treatment is immunotherapy, using natural tumor-fighting cells and interleukin-2, a substance that amplifies the body's immune response. But it is highly toxic and must be administered in the hospital.

''Ours is outpatient and the results are comparable, if not better,'' Hrushesky said.

The kidney cancer study is not the first time Hrushesky has attempted to incorporate knowledge of the body's natural rhythms with the treatment of cancer.

The Albany researcher recently found the survival rate of breast cancer patients undergoing mastectomies appears to be better if performed during the middle of a woman's menstrual cycle than at other times during the cycle.

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#90243u2283 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock

Exchange composite trading in the week ended August 31, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Philip Morris	9,531,600	45 3/4	44 1/4	45 1/8	up 1 7/8
Wal-Mart Stores	8,498,300	29 7/8	27 3/8	28 1/2	up 1 5/8
Texas Utilities	7,718,400	35	33 1/2	33 3/4	off 7/8
Genl Electric	7,495,900	64 3/8	60 7/8	62	up 5/8
Genl Motors	7,299,000	41	38 5/8	39 3/4	up 2 3/8
Boeing Co	6,664,200	49 1/4	47 3/8	48 1/4	up 2 3/8
AT&T Co	6,267,900	33 5/8	31 1/8	32 3/8	up 1/2
IBM Corp	5,653,900	104 3/8	100 3/8	101 7/8	up 1 1/2
Fedl Natl Mtge	5,469,200	31 3/8	29 5/8	29 7/8	up 7/8
Bank New England	5,331,200	2 1/4	1	2 1/8	unch
LA Gear	5,048,000	17 3/8	13 3/8	16 1/2	up 3 5/8
Ford Motor	4,935,800	36 1/2	34 3/8	34 7/8	up 1/2
Amer Express	4,909,100	24 5/8	23	24 1/8	up 5/8
Exxon Corp	4,860,900	50 3/8	48 3/4	50	up 1 1/8
Waste Managemnt	4,817,100	38 1/2	37	38	up 2
Toys R Us	4,753,200	27 1/2	24 1/8	25 3/8	up 3/8
Citicorp	4,419,300	18 5/8	17 7/8	18 1/2	up 1
Eastmn Kodak	4,402,300	40 1/2	39 3/8	40 1/4	up 1 1/2
Coca-Cola	4,358,900	43 3/8	40 3/4	42 1/4	up 3 1/4
Placer Dome	4,335,100	18	17 3/8	17 3/4	off 3/4

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NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended August 31, 1990.

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	334,346,752	37 1/2	31 1/4	33 3/8	up 1/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	297,135,712	63 3/4	59	61 1/2	up 1 1/2
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	286,636,096	34 3/8	31 1/8	34	up 1 3/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	180,943,200	38 3/8	36	37	up 3/4
Reuters Hldgs	(RTRS)	165,268,400	52 1/2	46 7/8	48 1/8	up 1 1/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	164,629,280	27 1/4	23 1/2	26 1/2	up 1/2
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	164,282,112	68 1/4	63	65 1/2	up 1 1/2
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	144,798,512	30 1/8	27 3/4	28 3/4	up 3/8
Intl Lease	(ILFC)	129,323,312	32 1/2	25 5/8	32 3/8	up 1/8
Oracle Systm	(ORCL)	124,219,400	14 1/4	10 1/2	11 5/8	up 7/8

NMS volume 549,807,600 shares.

Advances	1,451
Declines	664
Unchanged	701
Total	2,816

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#90243u2297 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) UPI - Lower hog and corn prices contributed to a 1.3 percent drop in the farm price index for August, despite record-high market prices milk and cattle, the federal government said Friday.

The farm price index is the government's measurement of prices farmers receive for their crops and livestock. The August reading of 150 marked the third time this year the index has fallen.

''Lower prices for hogs, grapefruit and corn were partially offset by higher prices for cattle, eggs and milk,'' the Agriculture Department said. ''The beef cattle price, at $75.40 (per 100 pounds), was a record high. The milk price was a record for August.''

The all-milk price was listed as $14.40 per 100 pounds, up 30 cents from July and $1.20 higher than August 1989.

Beef cattle prices were $1.80 per 100 pounds higher than July and far above the $69.70 average of August 1989.

By contrast, hog prices averaged $56 per 100 pounds, down $4.80 from July.

Corn sold for an average of $2.46 per bushel, down 16 cents from July. Wheat was $2.59 a bushel, down 20 cents from July and $1.15 a bushel lower than the preceding August when farmers were harvesting a much smaller crop.

In addition, sorghum fell 29 cents to $4.15 per 100 pounds. Barley and oat were down 6 cents a bushel each with barley averaging $2.10 and oats $1.09.

Egg prices averaged 65.6 cents a dozen for August, up 10 cents from July.

At $5.57 a box, grapefruit prices were less than half of their July average of $12.32. The government said the all fruit index was down 11 percent from July. Apple, peach and strawberry prices were up but prices declined for lemons and oranges.

In June, the index stood at 151. It advanced to 152 in July. The August mark of 150 was 5 points or 3.4 percent higher than August 1989.

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#90243u2310 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - The 10 most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended August 31, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.

Paine Webber wtB	3,174,700	7 7/8	5 7/8	7 1/8	off 3/4
Salomon wtJn	3,066,500	16 1/4	14 3/8	15 5/8	off 1
Corona Corp A	2,365,900	5 7/8	5 1/8	5 3/4	off 1/2
Echo Bay Mn	1,484,500	13 5/8	12 5/8	13 3/8	off 3/4
ENSCO	1,475,500	4 1/4	3 3/4	4	off 1/4
Denmark K wt	1,426,500	17 1/4	15 3/8	16 3/8	off 1 5/8
Eksport wt	1,388,900	7 7/8	6 3/8	7 1/8	off 1 1/8
Salomon wtFb	1,367,100	17 1/4	15 1/2	16 5/8	off 1
Salomon Phibro	1,142,600	4 1/2	3 7/8	4 1/8	off 1/2
Salomon wtAp	1,116,000	3 1/4	2 1/2	2 3/4	unch

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#90243u2320 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

FORT BRAGG, N.C. (AUG. 31) UPI - A military jury Friday acquitted a Fort Bragg soldier of murder charges for shooting a Panamanian man in a firefight at an Army checkpoint during the U.S. invasion of Panama last December.

The eight-member court-martial panel deliberated two hours before dismissing all charges against Master Sgt. Roberto Enrique Bryan, 43.

The federal government accused Bryan, a native Panamanian, of unpremeditated murder in the shooting of the Panamanian man following a firefight that left 10 U.S. soldiers wounded.

The shooting occurred when U.S. troops ordered five Panamanian Defense Forces members out of their car at a checkpoint near Madden Dam in Panama. Following a disagreement, a grenade exploded, injuring 10 American soldiers.

In an ensuing firefight, four Panamanians were killed. Bryan shot the surviving man several minutes later.

Bryan, a decorated 19-year soldier and member of the 82nd Airborne, contended he shot the man - who was never identified by the military - in self-defense. Several other soldiers testified they felt threatened by the man.

The star prosecution witness, Lt. Brandon Thomas, told the eight- member panel that he saw Bryan fire on the wounded Panamanian five times.

But the defense argued that a personal dispute between Bryan and Thomas influenced the lieutenant's testimony. Thomas also was investigated for shooting a Panamanian soldier during Operation Just Cause, the U.S. military action to oust Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega last December.

Other witnesses, including those for the prosecution, testified that

relations were poor between Bryan and Thomas and that the Panamanian was moving when Bryan shot him.

Pvt. Robert Valley testified if the Panamanian moved his hand further toward his pocket, he would have shot him.

''I thought he was a threat,'' Valley said. ''If he moved his hands into his pockets, I was going to shoot him in the head myself.''

Dorita Vasquez Gonzales, 30, said she saw the wounded Panamanian try to raise his hand up, ''and I thought he was going to throw another grenade.'' Vasquez lived about 30 yards from the scene of the firefight.

''I was frightened and I was going to scream,'' Vasquez said though an interpreter. ''Sgt. Bryan fired quickly.''

The United States invaded Panama Dec. 20, 1989, in a bid to oust Noriega and install an elected civilian government. Noriega is now held in the United States awaiting trial on drug charges in Miami.

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#90243u2336 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Talks are scheduled to continue tomorrow between U-N Secretary- General Javier Perez de Cuellar and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. The pair met for five hours today in Amman, Jordan. De Cuellar maintained his low-key stance regarding the meeting... telling reporters after the session ended NOT to expect dramatic breakthroughs to come from several hours of discussions.

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The leader of the U-S forces in Saudi Arabia offered a blunt warning today for Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. In the words of General Norman Schwarzkopf- ''If the Iraqis are dumb enough to attack, they are going to pay a terrible price.'' Schwarzkopf denies reports that the American contingent is geared for an offensive strike.

A military jury at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, today dismissed all charges against a soldier charged with murder for shooting a Panamanian man in a firefight during the U-S invasion of Panama last December. The eight-member court-martial panel acquitted Master Sergeant Roberto Bryan after witnesses testified they thought the Panamanian was making a threatening motion.

Funeral services were held today for the first of the 26 people killed in a vicious tornado near Joliet, Illinois. Survivors continue to pick up the remnants of the one-thousand homes severely damaged by Tuesday's twister.

The Salvation Army has asked people to stop donating clothing... but food and money are still being sought. One Chicago radio station collected three-and-a-half tons of clothing, toys and games.

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#90243u2342 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Police arrested a 21-year-old reputed drug dealer Friday in the drive-by slaying of a Bronx assistant district attorney, apparently the innocent victim of a vendetta between two dealers.

Police Commissioner Lee Brown Lee identified the suspect as Jose Diaz of the Bronx at a news conference at the 48th precinct headquarters.

''We are talking to one other person and there may be two or three other persons,'' Brown said, indicating the possibility of other arrests later.

He described the Thursday shooting of Sean Healy, a 30-year-old former Navy attorney who joined the district attorney's staff in January, as a ''curb battle'' over drugs.

He said the Diaz was really out to kill another dealer identified only as Tony when he killed Healy by chance.

Brown said Diaz went looking for Tony in his father's car and shot at the grocery store where Healy was buying coffee, then drove away and found his adversary a few blocks away, where he shot and wounded him.

Healy was shot once in the back Thursday morning by one of three Hispanic men who fired seven or eight bullets from a moving brown Toyota into a grocery store. Healy was declared dead on arrival at Lincoln Medical Center a half hour after he was shot.

Deputy Police Inspector Thomas Mullen said the gunmen apparently were shooting at a man standing in front of the store in what may have been a drug dispute. He said the man, who was not identified, later turned up at Lincoln Medical Center for treatment of a wound.

Among those questioned at the 44th Precinct was a man who accompanied by his attorney turned himself in to police Thursday, according to another police spokesman, Officer Mark Warren, who reported ''numerous persons'' were being quesitoned.

''Healy certainly was not a target. He happened to be at the wrong place at the wrong time,'' said detective Michael Philbin, chief of Bronx detectives.

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#90243u2346 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended August 31, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Atl Rich pfA	910 1/4	up	110 1/4
Am Home pf	408 7/8	off	42 3/4
CSX Corp pf	174	off	42 3/4
Woolworth pf	154	off	37 3/8
Beneficial pfC	198	off	12
Lilly Eli wt	75	up	11 1/2
Household pf	85 3/4	up	9 3/4
Kyocera Corp	107	up	9 1/2
CBS Inc	174 5/8	up	8 7/8
Wash Post	239 1/2	up	7 1/2
Cap Cities ABC	476	off	7
Genl Mills	87	up	6 7/8
Newmont Mng	43 7/8	off	6 3/4
Matsushita El	127 1/2	up	6 1/2
Hitachi	95	up	6 1/4

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#90243u2348 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Investigators say inmates at an overcrowded Mexican jail near the Texas border may be armed with guns today after a jail riot. Last night's riot started when Mexico's equivalent to F-B-I agents tried to take a prisoner from the Matamoros city jail. Federal agents and prisoners exchanged gunfire... prompting the use of tear gas. Authorities say prisoners burned five offices and took at least 37 guns from one office.

Federal health officials are issuing some advice to high school and collegiate football players as they prepare for their playing seasons. The U-S Centers for Disease Control is reminding players of the dangers of using their helmets when blocking or tackling an opponent. Officials say that method increases the risk of permanent spinal injury.

Authorities say they'll ask an accused child molester arrested yesterday in Salem, Oregon, to submit to an AIDS test. The F-B-I tracked down Norman Powers after he wrote a letter to social services officials in Vermont, claiming he had AIDS and that children were at risk. Prosecutors say if Powers refuses to take the test voluntarily, they will seek a court order forcing him to do so.

Fans and family of Stevie Ray Vaughan withstood sweltering heat today to pay tribute to the blues guitarist at a memorial service in Dallas. Singing stars Jackson Browne, Bonnie Raitt and Stevie Wonder led the crowd

in an emotional rendition of ''Amazing Grace.'' A recording of Vaughan's ''Tick Tock'' drew heavy applause and cheers from the respectful crowd. Vaughan was killed in the prime of his career Monday in a helicopter crash in Wisconsin.

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#90243u2354 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	381.34	377.22	381.21	up	2.53
Industrial	407.21	401.90	406.94	up	2.98
Finance	383.75	382.15	383.50	up	0.46
Insurance	445.92	443.61	445.53	up	1.06
Utility	510.29	500.12	410.24	up	8.90
Bank	287.39	284.50	287.01	up	0.78
Transport	414.98	411.53	413.51	off	0.56

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-23) 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	167.03	up 1.11
Industrial Index	168.83	up 1.16
NASDAQ-100 Index	387.23	up 5.78

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share	8.70 up 0.07
Volume	61,349,800 shares
Advances	811
Declines	1,338
Unchanged	0,000
Total	2,822

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#90243u2356 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	176.97	174.34	176.97	up	1.74
Industrial	221.74	218.90	221.74	up	2.13
Transport	141.33	140.50	141.33	up	0.60
Utility	83.07	81.85	83.07	up	1.02
Finance	124.35	122.87	124.35	up	1.09

Equivalent to a gain of 31 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 96,480,000 shares.

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#90243u2365 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - Largest net changes among AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended August 31, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Americus PG ut	77 1/4	off	12 1/4
Seaboard Corp	108	up	8
Brown Forman B	65	up	7 1/8
OEA Inc	30	up	6 1/2
Brown Forman A	67	up	5 1/4
Am Isreal Paper	28 7/8	up	4 7/8
Tel Data Syst	26 1/2	up	4 1/2
Polaris Ind	31 1/8	up	4 1/8
Americus JNJ ut	66	up	4
Forest City B	27 1/2	off	4

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#90243u2386 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended August 31:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2621.53	2651.24	2569.31	2614.36	up 81.44
20 Trans	892.70	917.52	888.50	901.44	up 31.73
15 Utils	194.04	196.68	192.78	195.93	up 4.97
65 Stocks	901.41	915.87	889.61	903.79	up 28.26

20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

89.34 89.34 89.11 89.11 up 0.07

Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

134.16 134.16 132.46 132.46 off 3.38

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NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended August 31.

	30 Indus			20 Transp			15 Utils		
Monday	2611.63	up	78.71	908.03	up	38.32	194.42	up	3.46
Tuesday	2614.85	up	3.22	899.82	off	8.21	193.60	off	0.82
Wednesday	2632.43	up	17.58	911.13	up	11.31	195.61	up	2.01
Thursday	2593.32	off	39.11	901.26	off	9.87	193.72	off	1.89

Friday	2614.36	up	21.04	901.44	up	0.18	195.93	up	2.21
Net Change		up	81.44		up	31.73		up	4.97

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#90243u2393 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Stock exchange sales for the week ended August 31.

New York Stock Exchange: Stocks - 639,340,540 shares, compared with 949,523,020 a week earlier and with 757,529,410 the year before. Warrants - 4,806,100 compared with 10,302,100 a week earlier and with 1,493,700 the year before. Bonds - $143,341,000 compared with $229,882,000 a week earlier and with $138,070,000 the year before.

American Stock Exchange: Stocks - 58,692,010 shares, compared with 93,796,575 a week earlier and with 69,118,290 the year before. Bonds - $12,071,000 compared with $13,720,000 a week earlier and with $15,104,000 the year before.

Midwest Stock Exchange: Stocks - 43,681,000 shares, compared with 58,597,000 a week earlier and with 56,655,000 the year before.

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#90243u2402 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended August 31 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	160,041,102	129,640,330	1,924,000	1,005,600
Tuesday	127,675,970	194,708,740	762,300	1,544,900
Wednesday	134,243,550	175,565,670	1,035,200	1,286,200
Thursday	120,888,960	250,548,530	599,000	4,439,200
Friday	96,490,960	199,059,780	485,600	3,026,200
Total	639,340,540	949,523,020	4,806,100	10,302,100

	Bonds	
	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 33,548,000	$ 34,631,000
Tuesday	$ 31,160,000	$ 50,992,000
Wednesday	$ 31,248,000	$ 39,978,000
Thursday	$ 26,625,000	$ 53,161,000
Friday	$ 20,760,000	$ 51,120,000
Total	$143,341,000	$229,882,000

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#90243u2405 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending August 31.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	89.34	89.34	89.11	89.11	up 0.07
10 Utils	89.95	89.96	89.75	89.75	off 0.43
10 Indus	88.74	88.74	88.48	88.48	up 0.57

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#90243u2406 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending August 31:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	384.45	377.69	382.03	up 13.28
20 Trans	232.47	229.60	231.64	up 10.12
40 Utils	128.44	126.19	128.44	up 3.84
40 Fncl	24.01	23.68	24.00	up 0.82
500 Stock	324.19	318.71	322.56	up 11.05

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#90243u2407 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended August 31:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	178.44	174.34	176.93	up 5.92
Industrial	223.98	218.90	221.68	up 7.80
Transportation	142.21	138.77	141.33	up 5.64
Utilities	83.84	81.85	83.07	up 2.11
Finance	124.71	122.87	124.35	up 4.00

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#90243u2431 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week
By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Aug 31, 1990	9	210	568	273	155	996
Aug 24, 1990	25	433	113	769	129	1011
Sept 1, 1989	101	37	446	358	212	1016

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#90243u2432 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week
By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Aug 31, 1990	14	348	1433	507	214	2154
Aug 24, 1990	42	1011	219	1785	162	2166
Sept 1, 1989	273	49	1038	801	336	2175
Sept 2, 1988	32	56	1147	685	316	2148

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#90243u2436 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
AMMAN, Jordan (AUG. 31) UPI - U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz agreed after more than five hours of discussions Friday to extend into a second day their search for a negotiated settlement to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Emerging in the evening from the second of two rounds of talks at the palace of King Hussein, the U.N. chief and the Iraqi envoy gave no hint as to specific progress they and their delegations might have made, and Perez de Cuellar sought again to downplay expectations of a dramatic breakthrough.

''Every effort has to be done to find a solution, but obviously a solution to such a delicate situaton cannot be found in four, five six hours of discussions,'' Perez de Cuellar said.

The U.N. chief executive denied reports that he planned to travel on to Baghdad at this stage of his initiative, which he had described on his arrival in Amman on Thursday as ''an exchange of views'' and not negotiations.

He said that he and Aziz, who worked closely together during U.N. efforts to end the Iraq-Iran war, would resume their discussions on Saturday morning.

Aziz refused to comment when asked whether the talks had produced a change in the status of Kuwait, which Iraq invaded on Aug. 2, prompting the deployment of a U.S.-dominated multi-national military force in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf.

The pair met at noon for a two-hour first round and then adjourned until 6

p.m., with Perez de Cullear saying that ''we have had a very useful discussion together. We have discussed all aspects of the situation.

''We are convinced that these meetings have been necessary and important.''

Aziz called Perez de Cuellar his ''dear and old friend'' and said they had ''a relationship of confidence and trust.

On his arrival in the morning at a heavily guarded suburban airport, Aziz gave no indication that Iraq was prepared to agree to U.N. Security Council resolutions demanding it withdraw from Kuwait, which it invaded in a dispute over oil production and territory.

''The Arab nation will achieve all of its aims despite the international conspiracies and challenges we face. Our battle is an historic one and we must fight it with honor and victory will be on our side,'' he said.

Aziz said he had come to Amman to listen to Perez de Cuellar and that the talks were being held in Amman because ''I cannot go to New York or Geneva.''

In addition to demanding an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, the U.N. Security Council has approved resolutions imposing economic sanctions on Iraq, authorizing the use of military force to enforce the measures and calling for the release of foreigners held hostage by President Saddam Hussein.

Iraq has responded with conflicting signals, declaring its annexation of Kuwait was irreversible, but also endorsing Arab proposals for a withdrawal of the massive U.S.-led multinational military force deployed in the Gulf and a pullout from Kuwait linked with an end to the Israeli occupation of the West Bank, Gaza Strip and Golan Heights.

Perez de Cuellar sought on arrival in Amman on Thursday to dampen expectations of a breakthrough, saying he was not in a position to negotiate with Aziz as he was bound by the U.N. resolutions.

''I cannot make concessions on what doesn't belong to me,'' he said.

Western officials also expressed little optimism that Perez de Cuellar and Aziz would produce a resolution to the Gulf crisis, which has pushed the Middle East to the brink of war.

A Western diplomat in Amman said he doubted that De Cuellar could ''pull a rabbit out of a hat'' and President Bush, at a White House news conference on Thursday, expressed little hope there would be movement.

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#90243u2455 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - The Iraqi conflict is costing the United States its second largest trade partner in the Middle East, with bilateral trade between the two countries soaring 44 percent to $2.53 billion in the first half of 1990, the authoritative MidEast Report said Friday.

''Ironically, Iraq, the country which initially drew 30,000 U.S. troops to the Saudi border, was this country's second largest Arab Middle Eastern trade partner in the first six months of this year,'' the MidEast Report said in its Sept. 1 issue.

Bilateral trade between the United States and Iraq amounted to $2.53 billion from January through June this year, ''a 44 percent increase in the volume of trade between Baghdad and Washington,'' compared to the year-ago period, the newsletter said.

Saudi Arabia remains by far the largest U.S. trade partner in the Middle East, with $5.26 billion worth of bilateral exchanges in the first half of 1990.

''Washington's sanctions against the regime of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will mean the United States will lose access to a market which accomodated $692.9 million in U.S. exports in the first half of 1990,'' the newsletter said.

The United states mostly exported farm products to Iraq while U.S. imports from Iraq were mainly oil products, valued at $1.84 billion for the first six months of 1990.

The MidEast Report warned that the U.S. deficit, which declined by 14.1 percent in July, could go up again as a result of the embargo and because of higher oil prices, expected to prop the U.S. inflation rate above the 6 percent level.

''Since the United States restored diplomatic relations with Iraq in November 1984, Iraq's trade with the United States had increased dramatically over the past six years,'' said editor David Mizrahi. ''The conflict brought an abrupt end to the trend.''

The United States is also losing Kuwait as a Middle East market, although U.S. exports to the small emirate had been decreasing before the conflict to $353.1 million in the first six months of 1990.

The economic consequences of the conflict, however, are expected to be far more serious for Iraq than for the United States, the newsletter said.

Iraq's external debt was estimated at between $70 billion and $80 billion,

and the oil producer was expected to disburse up to $30 billion this year in repayments and debt servicing - a burden which Iraqi officials said the country was unable to bear with oil revenues amounting to only $15 billion in 1989.

According to estimates, Iraq has stored about three months worth of basic food supplies for its population of 17 million people.

But the Arab country will be unable to import the 2 million tons of wheat, 500,000 tons of rice, 600,000 tons of sugar and 280,000 tons of palm oil it bought from the United States, Japan and Australia last year.

Another economic casualty of the Gulf conflict is Egypt, already behind payments on its $50 billion foreign debt, the MidEast Report said.

''Egypt will need all the help it can get after the loss in remittances from workers in Iraq and Kuwait,'' the newsletter said. ''Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak estimates that the Gulf crisis would cost Egypt $2 billion a year. This figure is particularly alarming given the fact that there are about 6 million Egyptians who depend on funds sent home by family members who were working in Iraq or Kuwait.''

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#90243u2471 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

MYSTIC, Conn. (AUG. 31) UPI - Whales and dolphins have followed schooling fish into Long Island Sound, prompting worried officials to issue a plea Friday for Labor Day weekend boaters to stay clear of the creatures.

''We ask boaters to observe from a distance,'' said Bernadette Bode, a spokeswoman for Mystic Marinelife Aquarium. ''Enjoy it and leave them alone. Please don't chase them.''

Migrating fish have led to an unusually large number of whales and dolphins in congested Long Island Sound and off the coast of Rhode Island in the past week as the mammals follow their food supply.

Mystic Marinelife Aquarium, which handles strandings in the area, has received a flurry of calls from residents who mistakenly believe the animals may be in trouble, Bode said.

Sightings have included a dolphin near the mouth of the Connecticut River in Old Saybrook and whales off the Great Gull Islands, in The Race at the mouth of the Sound off the Atlantic Ocean, and in Narragansett Bay in Rhode Island.

''There are an unusually large number of whales and dolphins in our area '' Bode said. ''It depends on where the fish go, year to year. This year

is very heavy.''

With the Labor Day weekend one of the busiest of the year for boat traffic Bode and other officials were worried the animals would be harmed in collisions or pursued by curious sailors.

''With so many boats in the water and the weather supposed to be good (over the holiday weekend), it could pose a threat,'' Bode said. ''We are asking boaters to be extra careful. Please leave them alone.''

Bode said it was a violation of federal law to harm, harass or impede the progress of whales and dolphins.

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#90243u2493 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 452.08, up 0.72 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90243u2518 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 31) UPI - The Iraqi News Agency says Baghdad is waiting for approval to allow Iraqi Airlines to transfer 237 foreign women and children to London and Paris. Earlier today, 19 Italians arrived in Jordan from Iraq and dozens of foreigners received exit visas.

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Jordan's King Hussein was in London today, seeking a peaceful solution to the Middle East standoff. Along with President Bush, British Prime Minister Thatcher has taken one of the international community's firmest stances against Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

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Soviet President Gorbachev says he will come up with plan by next week to smooth his nation's transition to a market economy. Speaking at a news conference today, Gorbachev called for urgent stabilization measures to reform the battered Soviet economy.

The ruling National Party provincial congress in Natal has backed South African President F-W de Klerk's measure to open the party to all races. The ultimate success of de Klerk's initiative depends on three similar gatherings in the country's other provinces.

A military jury in North Carolina deliberated two hours before throwing out murder charges against a soldier who took part in the U-S invasion of Panama. Master Sergeant Roberto Bryan, a 19-year veteran, was accused of the unpremeditated killing of a Panamanian civilian... a version contested by his colleagues.

Relief organizations in tornado-stricken communities southwest of Chicago are planning the long-term efforts needed to help the afflicted areas return to a semblance of normalcy. The first of the 26 people killed in Tuesday's mammoth twister were buried today.

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WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) UPI - Del Monte Foods has recalled more than 20,000 cans of green beans because some of the beans were not cooked and could pose a health hazard, the Food and Drug Administration said Friday.

FDA spokeswomawn Faye Peterson said Del Monte of San Francisco is voluntarily recalling 843 cases, each containing 24, 16-ounce cans of French-style green beans, because about 50 cases of the beans were not cooked.

No reports of death or illness have been reported to the FDA, but the uncooked beans should not be eaten because they could harbor microbes that could cause food poisoning, Peterson said.

The cans were packed and shipped in July to 140 Pathmark stores in Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Delaware, New Jersey and the New York City area. The cans bear a one-line code, 0201J6F82, printed on the bottom end of the can, Peterson said.

Pathmark has removed all the suspect cans from store shelves, but it is feared some may still be in consumer hands, Peterson said. Anyone with cans bearing the code should return them to the store.

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(AUG. 31) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Bairnco Corp	Q	.05	10-1	9-14
CTS Corp	Q	.18 3/4	11-5	9-28
Dillard Dept Strs A&B	Q	.05	11-1	9-30

Dreyfus Calif Mcpl II	M	.05 1/2	9-28	9-14
Dreyfus Mcpl Income	M	.06	9-28	9-14
Dreyfus NY Mcpl II	M	.05 1/2	9-28	9-14
Dreyfus Strategic GII	M	.09	9-28	9-14
Dreyfus Strategic MI	M	.06 1/2	9-26	9-12
Interchange Fincl SC	Q	.17 1/2	10-19	9-20
Kemper Hi Inc Tr	M	.10	9-28	9-14
Kemper Intermed GT	M	.0734	9-28	9-14
Kemper Mcpl Inc Tr	M	.0725	9-28	9-14
Kemper Multi-Mkt IT	M	.117	9-28	9-14
Kemper Strategic MIT	M	.07	9-28	9-14
Universal Health RIT	Q	.37	10-1	9-14

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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#90243u2591 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (AUG. 31) UPI - The stock market broke a six-week losing streak this week, with the gains fueled by a plunge in oil prices as tensions in the Mideast seemed to ease and OPEC agreed to boost output during the crisis.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 21.04 Friday to end the week at 2614.36. It gained 81.44 for the week, or 3.2 percent.

Among broader market indexes, Standard & Poor's 500-stock index jumped 11.05 to end the week at 322.56 and the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 5.92 to close the week at 176.93.

Advances led declines 1,433-507 among the 2,154 NYSE issues traded this week. Weekly Big Board volume totaled 639,340,540 shares, compared with 949,523,020 a week earlier and 757,529,410 shares a year ago.

Prior to this week, the last weekly gain in the Dow industrials came the week ended July 13, when the blue chip indicator gained 75.25 points as it was in the process of hitting its mid-July record highs.

Stocks began the week with their best day of 1990 and their biggest gain in almost a year. Monday's rally was fueled by fading fears of war in the Mideast and a resulting tumble in oil prices. Reports of progress among OPEC members towards an agreement to boost production sent oil plunging $4 a barrel.

The Dow soared 78.71, the biggest gain of the year and the best since a surge of 88.12 posted last Oct. 16, when the market bounced back from the 190-point ''mini-crash'' the previous trading day.

Analysts called the sharp gain a ''reflex action'' after the market's plunge since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2. The Dow industrials had lost more than 415 points - about 14 percent of their value - since the invasion, before rallying Friday and Monday.

Even with the rally, August was a dismal month for the market. The Dow sank 290.84 from its July 31 close of 2905.20.

After Monday's surge, trading lightened considerably for the rest of the week as investors began to look towards the holiday weekend. Oil prices lost another $1.96 a barrel Wednesday, sending the Dow up 17 points, but some late program selling Thursday wiped out that gain and then some, taking the key index down almost 40 points but on very light volume.

Analysts generally agreed last week that with its plunge, the market had discounted a Mideast war. Fears of war faded this week as the U.N. Secretary General held talks with Iraq's foreign minister, but observers were careful to point out that the situation there would continue to affect the market.

''One of the pinches on any upside move will be the impact of energy prices on corporate profits and long-term interest rates,'' said Alan Ackerman, senior vice president at Gruntal & Co. ''The market is tied to oil prices as well as inflation and recession fears and we're going to be hampered by these complex crosscurrents until there's more clarity about the events in the Mideast.''

Ackerman said that with oil prices still above $25 a barrel and concerns that interest rates might not come down as quickly as necessary to forestall a recession, stocks could fall further.

Ronald Schroeder, chief investment officer at J & W Seligman and Co., agreed that the Federal Reserve could find itself between a rock and a hard place when it comes to an interest rate cut, fearing a revival of inflation if it cuts rates but risking a recession if it doesn't use a rate cut to try to pump up a faltering economy.

''This is a nervous period for the market, we could just back and fill (trade in a range) for a while,'' he said.

But Schroeder said he felt the market's plunge was overdone and that the rebound this week represented investors' attempts to ''separate value from the fear that was driving stocks down.''

He was a bit more upbeat about the prospects for the Mideast crisis. ''I think Saddam Hussein has already accomplished what he wanted to - to raise the price of oil and eliminate or neutralize an extreme overproducer, Kuwait.

''That should keep the price of oil at a higher level, but if the crisis is resolved diplomatically or militarily in the short run, the imbalance of oil in the world indicates oil prices would soften,'' he said.

And if the crisis is not resolved soon? ''We could be stuck in a $25 range for oil and would have to add to (projections for) inflation.

''But I don't see a long protracted crisis. Never before have we seen such unanimous worldwide support to eliminate a threat. And the free world has seen its equity drop 10 to 20 percent since the crisis began. It's in no one's best interest for this to go on for a long time,'' Schroeder said.

On the trading floor this week, Philip Morris was the most active issue, up 1 7/8 to 45 1/8.

Wal-Mart followed, up 1 5/8 to 28 1/2. Texas Utilities was third, off 7/8 to 33 3/4.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T rose 1/2 to 32 3/8, IBM gained 1 1/2 to 101 7/8, Boeing jumped 2 3/8 to 48 1/4, General Motors added 2 3/8 to 39 3/4 and Exxon gained 1 1/8 to 50, even as oil prices fell sharply this week.

On the American Stock Exchange, the Amex Market Value index added 7.10 to close Friday at 323.39. Advances led ddc'ines 568-273 among the 996 issues traded.

Amex volume totaled 58,692,010 shares, compared with 93,796,575 traded a week earlier and 69,118,290 traded in the same week a year ago.

PaineWebber's call warrants on the Tokyo market's Nikkei index led the Amex actives, off 3/4 to 7 1/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index jumped 13.88 to end the week at 381.21.

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#90243u2610 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (AUG. 31) UPI - In the first visible but still cautious dissent from President Bush's Persian Gulf policy, two top church leaders said Friday the United States should not block food and medical supplies from going to Iraq.

In a letter to Bush, the presidents of the United Church of Christ and the Christian Church Disciples of Christ - both mainline Protestant bodies - said they were concerned at "the growing possibility for open military

conflict."

"At this critical time, we believe that restraint by the United States and other nations, in responding to the Iraqi aggression is essential," said the Rev. John Humbert, general minister and president of the 1.1 million-member Disciples, and the Rev. Paul Sherry, president of the 1.7 million-member UCC.

During the monthlong crisis that has followed Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of neighboring Kuwait and the American commitment of combat forces to Saudi Arabia, most religious groups - while condemning the Iraqi invasion - have maintained a wait-and-see attitude toward U.S. policy in the area.

On Thursday, Archbishop Daniel Pilarczyk of Cincinnati, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, issued a second call for a peaceful resolution of the conflict and urged prayer for the hostages in Iraq and Kuwait.

For the most part, church leaders have asked Bush to continue to work with the United Nations and other international organizations in forging a response to the crisis. The National Council of Churches, for example, labeled the Iraqi invasion an "unjustifiable act of aggression" but urged the president to place more emphasis on Arab League efforts to end the conflict.

Sherry and Humbert, too, called on Bush and other Western nations to "look increasingly to the United Nations for an appropriate response," saying they were concerned the "already massive military presence in the Middle East will hamper these efforts and exacerbate tensions." "Finally, we urge that food and medical supplies not be withheld from Iraq's civilian population," they said.

At the same time, two church-related relief organizations - Church World Service and Catholic Relief Service - announced plans to aid refugees fleeing Iraq and Kuwait.

The Catholic agency said it will donate $15,000 to provide food for what it said were the thousands of Egyptian refugees arriving in the port of Nuweba, Egypt. Egyptian president Hosni Mubarak has estimated 200,000 workers arrived in the month of August alone. Relief agency officials said they are monitoring the situation in Jordan as well.

Church World Service, the relief arm of the National Council of Churches, said it had issued a special appeal for $75,000 to aid refugees unsettled by the Iraqi invasion.

#90243u2611 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

HARTFORD, Conn. (AUG. 31) UPI - The state's banking commissioner said Friday he will ask prosecutors to pursue criminal charges over an unfounded rumor from a Massachusetts political campaign concerning the Bank of New England.

Banking Commissioner Howard B. Brown said he will ask the chief state's attorney's office to pursue prosecution under a law concer7/8;wntnmade about banks doing business in Connecticut.

The law makes it illegal to ''wilfully and maliciously'' circulate any false statement derogatory to the financial condition of a bank or which affects the solvency or financial standing of a bank doing business in the state.

Bank of New England stock fell to an all-time low of $1 per share after the unfounded rumor that federal regulators planned to close the bank over the Labor Day weekend.

The rumor drew attention when a Massachusetts congressional campaign issued a press release Thursday saying the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. ''has recommended the liquidation of the Bank of New England.''

The campaign of Democratic candidate Ted Dimauro later issued another statement saying the information about the bank should have been identified as ''speculation.''

Dimauro said his campaign manager released the first statement before reading it to him. He said he asked for and received the resignation of the campaign manager.

In asking for a criminal investigation in Connecticut, Brown did not indicate who he believed should be charged. The law concerning false statements about banks carries maximum penalties of one year in prison and a $1,000 fine.

''False statements such as this can be devastating to a depository institution,'' Brown said. ''To employ such tactics in a political campaign to win votes is just flat out unscrupulous and totally irresponsible.''

Bank of New England is a subsidiary of the Bank of New England Corp., which is also parent company of Connecticut Bank and Trust Co.

Dimauro, a former mayor of Springfield, is challenging Rep. Richard Neal in a primary for the Democratic nomination in the 2nd Congressional District in Massachusetts.

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#90243u2638 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - A pair of protestant leaders today offered cautious dissent to the American troop deployment to the Middle East. In a letter to President Bush, the Reverends John Humbert and Paul Sherry called for restraint on Washington's part in dealing with Iraq. The two mainline protestant leaders warned the- quote- ''already massive military presence in the Middle East will hamper these efforts and exacerbate tensions.''

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Anti-American chants were heard and U-S flags were torched as some 50-thousand Arabs filled a stadium in the Jordanian capital today. The protest... which was orchestrated by a Moslem group... also leveled criticism at Britain and Israel. Among the banners in the crowd was- quote- ''We shall knock on the doors of paradise with the skulls of Americans and Israelis.''

Police in Florida confirm they have a man in custody who is one of several suspects in the slayings of five college students in Gainesville. Authorities say 18-year-old Edward Humphrey was charged yesterday with aggravated battery for beating his grandmother. The county sheriff in Gainesville says Humphrey has shown ''psychotic behavior'' in jail.

Black college students are beginning to arrive in the resort town of Virginia Beach, Virginia... where rioting last year disrupted the annual Labor Day weekend festival. Some African-American groups have called for an economic boycott of the town, and less than 40 percent of the area's hotel and motel rooms have been booked. Officials have implemented restrictions that many students say smack of racism.

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#90243u2640 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
(AUG. 31) UPI - El Salvador says it has asked the U-N peace-keeping force for Central America to help stop an arms flow from Nicaragua to Salvadoran rebels. The Salvadoran government tells U-P-I it made the request yesterday to the U-N group set up to monitor Central American peace accords. The Salvadoran military says rebel arms shipments have been found recently from the Sandinista-controlled Nicaraguan army.

U-S and Vietnamese officials met today at the United Nations to search for ways to settle Cambodia's 11-year civil war. Khmer Rouge guerrillas fighting in the war warned today that they would continue the war unless rebels are given a strong position in a U- N-proposed peace plan. The U-N plan would turn over most of the functions of Cambodia's government to the United Nations until elections are held.

Marine officials are worried boaters may cause trouble this weekend for whales and dolphins in Long Island Sound. The Marinelife Aquarium in Mystic, Connecticut, asked boaters to enjoy the spouting mammals from a distance. An UNusually large number of whales and dolphins have followed migrating fish into the congested waterway. Experts say the animals are fine as long as they're left alone.

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#90243u2719 08/31/1990 ~United Press International

BAALBECK, Lebanon (AUG. 31) UPI - Fighting between rival Shiite forces in the ancient city of Baalbeck escalated Friday, killing 15 people and wounding more than 25 others, police said.

They said gunmen of the Syrain backed Amal movement and the pro- Iranian Hezbollah or Party of God traded machingun fire and rocket propelled grenades in Baalbeck, 52 miles east of Beirut, and in surrounding villages.

At least 15 people were killed and more that 25 others wounded in the fighting that erupted late Thursday and resumed Friday after a short morning lull, police said. Among the dead was a prominent official of the pro-Iranian Hezbollah extremist organization, Sheikh Abbas Al Hindi.

Security sources said Syrian forces that police eastern Lebanon have failed until now to halt the fighting.

Police said the clashes broke out after Amal militiamen ambushed Al Hindi's car late Thursday at the entrance to Baalbeck. They said the militiamen showered the car with automatic machinegun fire, instantly killing Abbas and three bodyguards.

But a statement by Hezbollah Friday said Amal militiamen kidnapped and murdered seven Hezbollah members late Thursday, including Abbas and another official, Sheikh Hassan Sakr.

Sources said Amal militiamen stormed houses and arrested a number of Hezbollah members.

Amal and Hezbollah have been engaged in fierce fighting for the control of the strategic district of Iqlim Al Toffah, east of the port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut, since last December.

More than 1,000 people have been killed since rival groups started fighting three years ago for the control of Lebanon's estimated 1.5 million Shiites.

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#90243u2985 08/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 3) UPI - The following is Money Magazine's Small Investor Index (Dec. 31, 1989 average equals 100):

This week 99.54, up 1.47 or 1.50 percent, compared with 98.07 the previous week.
The week's change for each asset:

Category	PC Chg. Index	Week Ago	PC Chg. Year Ago
Stocks			
Blue chips	93.07	up 3.88	off 6.14
Small stocks	84.15	up 5.12	off 19.31
Equity funds	93.81	up 3.81	off 6.74
Bonds			
Taxable bonds	102.14	up 0.75	up 6.15
Municipal bonds	102.18	up 0.53	up 5.00
Bond funds	100.19	up 0.35	up 1.22
Cash			
CDs	105.31	up 0.15	up 8.04
Money funds	104.00	up 0.11	up 6.04
Other			
Real estate	101.11	up 0.46	up 1.87
Gold	91.68	off 8.51	up 12.81

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#90244d0050 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Tripoli (SEPT. 1) - Libyan leader Moamer Gaddafi called Saturday for Iraqi troops to be replaced in Kuwait by United Nations forces, and for U.S troops in Saudi Arabia to be replaced by Arab and Islamic forces.

The calls came in a speech to an extraordinary session of Libya's General People's Congress, broadcast live by Libyan television.

Gaddafi outlined a plan which ''advocates the replacement of Iraqi troops in kuwait by U.N. forces, because Kuwait cannot be certain that once the Iraqi troops leave nothing will change. The Iraqi troops could return there at any time''.

He also said the departure of Iraqi troops from Kuwait ''could be exploited and U.S. and Nato (North Atlantic Treaty Organisation) troops could take their place instead''.

He said: ''Saudi Arabia and the Gulf emirates and others will not feel reassured if there is a vacuum in Kuwait, and we refuse (to accept) Iraqi troops being replaced by U.S. and Nato troops.''

Elsewhere in his speech, Gaddafi said Iraq should be given the island of Bubyan at the head of the Gulf '' so as to have a coast line on the Gulf'' and be given back the al-Rumaylah oil field.

''Kuwait's internal political system should be left to the Kuwaiti people '' Gaddafi said. ''It is not up to us to talk about who should rule Kuwait and whether the al-Sabah family should return or not. The Kuwaiti people should be respected and should be allowed to decide their own system.''

Gaddafi also spoke of the ''need for a unified Arab oil policy which should not be violated by anyone''. He added: ''If you do not want to adhere amicably then you must be stopped by force. Only then will the use of force be permitted to stop oil production in Kuwait, Abu Dhabi or Saudi Arabia.''

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#90244d0300 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (SEPT. 1) - Peacekeeping troops sent in to war-torn Liberia last weekend by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) called on rebels Friday to "abandon intransigence and cooperate," the Ghana News Agency (GNA) reported Saturday.

In a dispatch received here, a GNA correspondent in Monrovia quoted the peacekeeping force commander, Lieutenant-General Arnold Quainoo, as saying his men were not interested in killing rebel leader Charles Taylor and his National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) troops.

Gen. Quainoo, a Ghanaian, also called on Mr. Taylor's forces to stop "shooting indiscriminately" and allow ECOWAS engineers, doctors and nurses and Liberians to move about Monrovia freely.

He announced that engineers had restored electricity which was cut off in June to most of Bushrod Island north of the Monrovia city center, and that work was continuing to restore water and other essential services.

"Our concern is the ordinary masses and the re-establishment of Liberian sovereignty and we hope that the leaders of the warring factions will suppress personal ambitions for national unity and interest," Gen. Quainoo said.

In a press release, the general said the 2,500 troops dispatched by ECOWAS to Liberia, from Ghana, Sierra Leone, Guinea, the Gambia and Nigeria, will remain neutral in the crisis. The troops are known as the ECOMOG force.

On Friday, the GNA correspondent quoted witnesses as saying that NPFL rebels had killed about 200 West African nationals living in Liberia,

apparently in response to the arrival of ECOMOG.

The peacekeeping troops Friday captured Monrovia's Spriggs Payne Airport, four kilometers (2.5 miles) from where embattled President Samuel K. Doe remains holed up in his executive mansion surrounded by about 500 loyal troops.

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#90244d0330 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 1) - President George Bush is considering forgiveness of Egypt's 6.7-billion-dollar military debt to the United States, national security adviser Brent Scowcroft said Saturday.

Wiping out Egypt's debt for U.S. arms would reward Cairo for supporting the U.N. embargo against Iraq and sending troops to join the U.S. and other Arab and multinational forces defending Saudi Arabia.

Egypt owes the United States 4.5 billion dollars in principal with the remainder interest, amassed from 1979 to 1985. In recent years, the United States has also given Cairo annual grants of about 1.3 billion dollars for military purposes and one billion dollars in economic assistance.

The Washington Post, citing government sources, reported Saturday that Mr. Bush had decided on forgiving the debt, but Mr. Scowcroft said it was simply one of the options being reviewed by the administration.

Speaking at a press briefing Saturday in Kennebunkport, Maine, where the president is vacationing, Mr. Scowcroft said the administration has been "worried about Egypt's debt."

"They are bearing a very significant burden" in their role in the Gulf crisis, he added.

Since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait August 2, Egypt has extended to the United States overflight rights, staging and transit rights from Egyptian air basees and facilitated passage of dozens of U.S. warships through the Suez Canal.

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#90244d0770 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT. 1) - The government has asked oil firms operating in Nigeria to take steps to be ready to increase output, the official news agency NAN said on Saturday, quoting Oil Minister Jibril Aminu.

It said the move was being made in the light of the decision on Wednesday by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) to raise

production to offset the effect of the international embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil.

NAN quoted Mr. Aminu as having said that the meeting of the OPEC price monitoring committee in Vienna had been held to "salvage" the organization and disprove rumors that it was about to break up.

During the meeting, the minister said that Nigeria, which has an OPEC production quota of 1.611 million barrels a day, could provide a further 250,000 barrels.

He insisted on the need for a "formal meeting" of OPEC and the International Energy Agency to strengthen stabiity of the world oil market. He criticized the IEA's "divisive" policy of consulting OPEC members separately, rather than dealing with them as a group, NAN said.

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#90244d0870 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida (SEPT. 1) - National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) officials Saturday delayed the Columbia shuttle launch until late next week to fix electronic controls for a telescope mounted on the orbiter.

The launch of Columbia with its seven astronauts and the 150-million-dollar Astro observatory had been scheduled for Saturday but was scrapped late Thursday after the space agency discovered a fault in an electronic box that routes electrical power and telemetry between the shuttle and an X-ray telescope mounted in its cargo bay.

Workers entered the cargo bay Friday to examine the box. Engineers later concluded that a quick repair would not be sufficient, saying an electronic part or the entire box will have to be replaced.

Engineers were to attempt replacing a component Saturday to see if they could restore communications. The X-ray telescope is to be managed by ground controllers during the 10-day mission.

The launch had also been threatened by a problem with an instrument that measures acceleration and vibration on the shuttle itself. The instrument was replaced Saturday.

Four of the Columbia astronauts are astronomers who will operate Astro's three ultraviolet telescopes, probing some of the hottest objects in the universe.

The shuttle crew planned to stay at the Kennedy Space Center here into the weekend.

NASA officials, who had hoped to be able to launch Columbia on Wednesday, did not set a liftoff date Saturday but a decision was expected this weekend.

The crew, led by commander Vance Brand, age 58, consists of co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42; mission specialists Mike Lounge, 53, Robert Parker, 53, and Jeffrey Hoffman, 45; and astronomers Ronald Parise, 38, and Samuel Durrance, 46.

Columbia's first launch attempt on May 30 was scrubbed because of leaking hydrogen fuel. The shuttle has until September 14 to lift off, otherwise it will be forced to wait until after the launch of the shuttle Discovery, which is to place the European space probe Ulysses in orbit around the sun.

To give Ulysses a gravity boost for its long journey to the sun, Discovery is to sling the probe around the planet Jupiter, a task that must be accomplished between October 5 and October 23 when Earth and Jupiter will be in the necessary alignment.

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#90244d1020 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (SEPT. 1) - The Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia signed a trade agreement Saturday laying down guidelines for bilateral trade next year, official sources said.

The accord, signed at Zbraslav Castle in central Bohemia, particularly concerns payments in convertible currencies and partial decentralization of two-way trade.

It was signed by Czechoslovak Deputy Premier Vaclav Vales and Soviet Foreign Trade Minister Konstantin Katushev.

Mr. Katushev said the agreement is the first of its type between the Soviet Union and a member of the basically East European economic grouping Comecon, and he stressed its importance in helping both countries move toward a "real market economy."

The new agreement calls for all bilateral trade to give rise to invoicing in convertible currencies at usual international prices, starting next January 1. However, about half of the trade will be carried out on the basis of lists of goods, including particularly machines, equipment and consumer goods from Czechoslovakia in exchange for Soviet raw materials.

The latter include oil, constituting about 40 per cent of Czechoslovak imports from the Soviet Union.

Observers here noted that the new accord is the first one providing for partial decentralization of Soviet foreign trade, opening up the possibility of direct trade relationships between Czechoslovakia and Soviet republics and regions.

New negotiations will be held in September and October concerning volumes and exact prices of future deliveries. Prague and Moscow wiil also continue their discussion of the factor to be used to convert the Czechoslovak surplus, now estimated at around 2.5 billion rubles, into dollars, expert sources say.

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#90244d1030 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 1) - Boris Yeltsin, president of the Russian Federation, resumed his offensive against Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev Saturday by demanding the resignation of the Soviet government.

Mr. Yeltsin announced at a press conference Saturday that he had made the challenge during a joint meeting on Friday of the Presidential Council and the Council of the Federation on economic reform.

He said the Russian Federation would go its own way on economic reform if the government of Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov did not resign.

The challenge came just two days after Mr. Gorbachev stated at another press conference that the Soviet Union "could not afford the luxury" of launching into a leadership reshuffle.

This followed a five-hour meeting between the two leaders after which they declared, in what was considered a truce, that they were in broad agreement on economic reform. But this truce has now been broken.

Mr. Yeltsin said at Saturday's press conference: "I consider the resignation of the government (of Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov) as a condition for the successful application of economic reform."

He added: "This demand was supported by other representatives of the republics, as well as representatives of trade unions and workers."

Mr. Yeltsin also rejected President Mikhail Gorbachev's proposal to fuse the government's economic reform plan with the programme drawn up by a commission which Mr. Gorbachev chairs jointly with Mr. Yeltsin.

The two programmes were completely incompatible, he said. Earlier, Mr. Yeltsin threatened to implement his own "500-day" reform programme even if the plan were rejected by the Soviet government.

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#90244d1250 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KABUL (SEPT. 1) - Afghan President Najibullah ordered a mass release Saturday of prisoners from a dreaded prison here as a goodwill gesture, state television announced.

A total of 130 prisoners were set free unconditionally from the notorious Pule-e-Charkhi prison, one day after Mr. Najibullah returned from a three-day state visit to India, the television said.

He ordered the surprise release by invoking a presidential decree that provides freedom to those imprisoned for offenses other than acts of terrorism.

The state-run television said those released from the maximum security Pule-e-Charki prison were physically or mentally ill, but gave no details.

"It is possible that several of the released detainees are political prisoners," a government spokesman said later.

"They had been arrested in some case or the other," the official said.

Although the government vehemently denies it, sources here say the prisoners suffer from acute mental shock caused by alleged torture during internment.

The sources say that thousands have been executed in the prison since the 1979 Soviet invasion of Afghanistan prompted widespread armed resistance against the Moscow-installed regime.

Mr. Najibullah's order precedes his preparations for a high profile visit to France to attend a United Nations conference on least developed countries.

His French tour would be the third abroad in two months. The former Afghan secret police chief made a long visit to the Soviet Union last month.

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#90244d1320 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 1) - The rebel National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) Saturday denied a report that its forces massacred some 200 West Africans living in the war-torn country.

Randolph Cooper, who identified himself as the U.S. spokesman for the rebels, said in a telephone call to Agence France-Presse that the report by the Ghanaian state news agency was "completely false."

In its dispatch, the Ghana News Agency quoted witnesses in Monrovia saying that the rebels led by Charles Taylor had killed about 200 nationals from countries participating in a five-nation military intervention force trying to halt the fighting between rebels and the government of President Samuel Doe.

Mr. Taylor has refused to recognize the intervention force, which he accuses of siding with Mr. Doe.

The force deployed by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) includes troops from Ghana, Gambia, Guinea, Nigeria and Sierra Leone.

Mr. Cooper accused Ghana of fabricating the massacre story. "It's propaganda by the Ghana Government to justify sending more troops to Liberia," he said.

He asserted that Ghana was also seeking to legitimize an interim government-in-exile formed this week in Gambia, which the rebels have also refused to recognize.

Mr. Cooper said he called NPFL headquarters in Buchanan, Liberia, following the Ghana News Agency report, which was carried by international news agencies, and was assured that no massacre had occurred.

He acknowledged that some foreigners had been rounded up by rebel troops, but said "the foreign nationals are being kept in a safe area as much as possible."

He accused the ECOWAS force of "indiscriminate shelling" of civilian areas around Monrovia, including Fantytown and Gardnersville, and said there had been "significant civilian casualties" as a result of the bombardments.

He estimated the casualties at 500 killed and wounded.

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#90244d1400 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

New York (SEPT. 1) - West Germany'se Steffi Graf beat South African Elna Reinach 6-4, 3-6, 6-1 on Saturday to advance to the last 16 of the U.S. Open tennis tournament.

The World Number One ran into some unexpected resistance from the 123-ranked Reinach in the second set but recovered her composure in the final set to clinch the third-round match.

Graf's opponent in the next round is American teenager Jennifer Capriati,

who breezed to a 6-1, 6-4 victory over unseeded Maria Strandlund of Sweden.

In other women's play Arantxa Sanchez of Spain beat Patty Fendick of the U.S. 6-2, 6-1, Argentina's Gabriela Sabatini defeated Belgian Sabine Appelmans 6-2, 6-4 and Katerina Maleeva of Bulgaria eliminated Raffaella Reggi of Italy 6-4, 6-0.

In men's third round play, Andre Agassi of the U.S. beat Argentina's Franco Davin 7-5, 6-4, 6-0 to earn a berth in the fourth round.

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#90244d1510 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (SEPT. 1) - Pope John Paul II arrived here Saturday at the start of his seventh tour of Africa, after appealing to Iraq during an in-flight news conference to "cooperate" in the search for peace in the Gulf.

Everything possible must be done to avoid a military solution to the crisis sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, the pope said on the plane before landing in Tanzania.

Iraq should be "reasonable" and cooperate in international efforts to forge a peaceful settlement, he said.

It was the first time the pope had spoken out so clearly on the crisis. He earlier expressed concern twice over the "danger of a war".

The pope arrived here to a 21-gun salute. It will be the first time he has visited Tanzania.

President Ali Hassan Mwinyi and Tanzanian church leaders greeted the pontiff, who kissed the soil before inspecting a guard of honour. Tanzanian traditional dancers and musicians then gave him an African welcome.

The Pope, in a speech at the airport, urged industrialised countries not to neglect their moral duty to help Africa, the world's poorest continent.

He urged developed nations to cut arms spending and use the funds to help the needy peoples of the Third World.

Thousands of Tanzanians lined the streets from the airport to the city centre, cheering and waving as the Pope's motorcade drove to St. Joseph's Cathedral where he led prayers.

The Pope was later to meet Tanzanian leaders and former President Julius Nyerere at Mr. Mwinyi's official residence.

Vatican officials said the Pope would appeal for international solidarity to help Africa check the AIDS epidemic and solve its refugee crisis.

On his way to Dar Es Salaam, the Pope stopped over for one hour in Malta.

At Valletta airport, the Pope met for 20 minutes with Maltese President Censu Tabone, Prime Minister Eddy Fenech Adami, Foreign Minister Guido de Marco, Archbishop Joseph Mercieca and Papal Nuncio Pierluigi Celata.

The Pope waved from the plane to a crowd of 200 gathered at the Valletta airport to welcome him.

From Tanzania, the pontiff is to go on to Burundi, Rwanda and the Ivory Coast. He returns to Rome on September 10.

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#90244d1560 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 1) - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz described as "useful" his third round of talks with U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar on the Gulf crisis here Saturday, but called afresh for an Arab settlement.

"We had very useful discussions", Mr. Aziz said, reading a prepared statement after the 75-minute meeting on the crisis sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. de Cuellar and Mr. Aziz refused to answer reporters' questions after the meeting. Mr. Aziz was to leave the Jordanian capital immediately after he read the statement to reporters, his advisers said.

But the U.N. chief was to give a news conference before leaving Jordan, according to his spokeswoman Nadia Younes.

Mr. Aziz said in his statement: "We exchanged views of the current situation. The common goal is peace, stability and justice in the region".

He said Iraq believed the situation was "an Arab problem" and "must be resolved by Arab means ... There is no other solution."

The statement added: "This does not mean that the U.N. Secretary-General has no role. He has the mission of peacemaker". Mr. Aziz had told the U.N. chief he would be available for future contacts.

He also criticised "a number of governments who have seats in the (U.N.) Security Council, saying they were "not neutral" and acted "out of selfish policies".

The latest meeting took place at an administrative building in the grounds of the Jordanian royal palace. In two previous sessions there Friday the two men held almost five hours of talks.

In Washington, White House National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft earlier said the discussions were not going well.

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#90244d1720 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (SEPT. 1) - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd raised the possibility of imposing an air embargo on Iraq here Saturday, but said the United Nations Security Council would have to agree first.

The Security Council has already imposed a trade embargo on Iraq and given states the go-ahead to use force to back it up, in retaliation for the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

Speaking on local television after arriving here from Qatar on the second leg of a Gulf tour, Mr. Hurd stressed the international community's determination to confront "Iraqi aggression" against Kuwait.

He echoed a U.S. appeal to several countries, including the United Arab Emirates, to share the cost of deploying the multi-national force in the Gulf region.

In remarks carried by the official news agency WAM, he stressed that U.N. resolutions could not be negotiated.

Talks in Amman between U.N. Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz that wound up earlier were aimed at seeing if Iraq would conform to international resolutions, Mr. Hurd commented.

Earlier in Doha, he said Britain would transfer some of its squadron of 12 Jaguar warplanes from Oman to Qatar.

Mr. Hurd, quoted by the Qatar News Agency, did not specify how many aircraft would be transferred.

Qatar announced August 27 that it would supply military facilities to friendly countries. Three days later the United States said it would send F-16 planes there from a base in Spain.

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#90244d1970 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (SEPT. 1) - Brazil's oil workers are threatening to strike from Tuesday if the state oil company does not increase a salary offer, an

oil official said Saturday.

Sixteen of 19 oil workers' unions which met Friday across the country rejected a Petrobras state oil company offer to increase salaries by more than 98 percent, said Francisco Ramalho, a Petrobras official.

Oil workers said they would begin striking Tuesday indefinitely if they did not get a better offer, said Mr. Ramalho.

"Negotiations have ended," he said. "Either the oil workers accept the 98.3 per cent or we will go to the Supreme Court of Labor, where they will not get more than the 83 percent they were offered before."

The negotiations between the 120,000 state oil workers and oil officials have reached an impasse, said Mr. Ramalho. He blamed oil workers for the deadlock, citing their demand for a 279 percent wage increase.

Three unions - Paulinia and Campinas, Sao Paulo and Recife -- accepted the Petrobras offer Friday.

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#90244d2000 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 1) - An Iraqi Airways Boeing 747 with some 330 foreigners on board, mostly British women and children, left the Iraqi capital for Paris overnight Saturday, officials at the airport said.

The plane took off at 0.20 a.m. local time (2020 GMT Saturday), they said.

Around 200 British nationals were on the plane as well as some 30 elderly and sick Americans from Kuwait, whose release was secured by the U.S. black civil rights activist Reverend Jesse Jackson.

The plane, with the Rev. Jackson also on board, was expected to travel on from Paris to London and Washington.

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#90244d7890 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 1) - The Shell petroleum company has raised its pump price of premium petrol in Singapore by 20 Singapore cents (11.4 U.S. cents) per litre effective Saturday, its second increase in two weeks.

The latest price rise represents an increase of 28 percent or 31.1 Singapore cents (17.7 U.S. cents) per litre since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, the Straits Times reported.

Before the Gulf crisis, premium petrol was selling at 1.12 Singapore

dollars (64 U.S. cents) per litre and diesel for 43.7 Singapore cents (24.7 U.S. cents).

Shell denied it was profiteering, saying that the increase reflected higher postings of these products and that it comprised 10 cents for product cost and another 10 cents for government tax, which currently accounts for 50 per cent of the retail price of petrol.

It was reported that the other oil companies were expected to follow suit either Saturday or Sunday. Esso and Caltex could not be reached for comment.

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#90244d8030 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING, Sept 1 (AFP) - China will register a drop in foreign investment this year due to sanctions imposed by industrialised nations after the crushing of the pro-democracy movement last year, the China Daily said Saturday.

Quoting Vice-minister of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade, Shen Jueren, the newspaper said foreign investment for the first six months of this year stood at 2.35 billion dollars, down 22.3 percent on the same period last year.

Mr. Shen said he expected overseas investment committments for 1990 to be some 3.3 billion dollars, the same as last year, but forsaw a drop in new foreign capital from last year's 5.6 billion dollars.

However foreign investment should pick up next year thanks to investment from other Asian countries, especially Japan, Mr. Shen said.

Indonesia was also expected to increase investments following the resumption of diplomatic relations between Jakarta and Beijing in July, while Mr. Shen said China was also holding talks with South Korea on several unspecified industrial projects although the two countries do not have diplomatic ties.

Chinese imports, affected by China's austerity programme, fell 24.3 percent to 19.8 billion dollars in the first six months of this year compared to the same period in 1989.

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#90244d8070 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 1) - Mining house Johannesburg Consolidated Investment (JCI or Johnnies) has laid off 1,200 workers as a result of the falling gold price, a JCI spokesman said Saturday.

He said a total of 4,500 miners had been affected but the company had managed to place 3,300, leaving 1,200 without jobs.

The north shaft of the Western Areas gold mine, west of Johannesburg, had been hardest hit by the lower gold price, he said.

Twenty of South Africa's 33 gold mines are at risk with the gold price below 390 dollars an ounce.

The recent surge in the price of bullion sparked by tensions in the Gulf would have to be sustained for more than six months to have any long-term effect on South Africa's marginal mines, gold analysts say.

Mining houses Anglovaal and Gengold have have already announced the loss of 1,100 jobs while Anglo American has warned that some 8,000 jobs are on the line unless the gold price stabilises above 400 dollars an ounce.

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#90244d8740 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Wiesbaden, West Germany (SEPT. 1) - Turnover in the West German building industry increased by 11.4 percent to 58.3 billion marks (about 38.8 billion dollars) in the first half of 1990 compared to the same period last year, the industry association reported Saturday.

New orders rose at about the same rate, the association said. Order books were filled for the next 3.2 months, about half a month ahead of last year.

The number of people employed by the construction trades rose by 1.9 percent to 998,000.

The biggest gain was posted in residential construction, with a growth rate of 20 percent for the first six months. Industrial construction grew by 9.3 percent, the association said.

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#90244d9700 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 1) - Malaysian conglomerate Sime Darby Bhd. said Saturday its group pre-tax profit had risen 21 percent to 611.4 million Malaysian dollars (226.4 million U.S.) for the year ended June.

The group recorded a pre-tax profit of 505.3 million dollars (187.1 million U.S.) for the corresponding period of last year.

In releasing unaudited interim results, the conglomerate said Tractors Malaysia was the main contributor to group earnings with a pre-tax profit

of 136.3 million dollars (50.5 million U.S.), more than double last year's figure of 65 million dollars (24.1 million U.S.).

Turnover for the group posted an 18 per cent increase to 4.98 billion dollars (1.84 billion U.S.), but that for the company fell 30 percent to 98.6 million dollars (36.5 million U.S.), it said.

Sime Darby said overall plantations profitability fell sharply to 55.9 million dollars from a high of 130.6 million (48.4 million U.S.) last year due to lower palm oil and rubber prices.

It also said that excellent results reported from Hong Kong were due to the strong demand in the motor trade, particularly in the luxury segment of the market in an economy which is now beginning to slow down.

Sales of construction equipment and trade with China produced satisfactory results and profitability, the statement said.

It said that the Singapore region again showed increased profits with good results being reported in all segments, while the tyre company in the Philippines increased output and profits in the face of a fast-rising volume of imports, which are seriously eroding margins.

The statement said that barring any unforeseen circumstances and difficulties arising out of the current situation in West Asia, the board expected continuing good results for the year ahead.

Sime Darby's interests range from plantations to manufacturing to property development, and its group of companies is scattered throughout Southeast Asia, Hong Kong, Australia and Britain.

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#90244d9910 09/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (SEPT. 1) - Mercedes-Benz AG announced Saturday in Leipzig that it will invest a billion Deutsche marks (625 million dollars) in the Ludwigsfelde truck plant in south Berlin, the ADN news agency reported.

The giant auto manufacturer intends to make the East German truck plant one of the largest and most modern in the world, said company vice-president Helmut Werner at a press conference the day before the opening of the Leipzig autumn fair.

In 1991, the Ludwigsfelde plant is expected to turn out medium size trucks at the rate of 6,000 per year, increasing yearly production to 90,000 by the mid-1990s, Mr. Werner said.

The Ludwigsfelde plant is owned by the East German firm IFA. A joint

Mercedes-Benz Ag-IFA company will be set up and IFA will gradually be integrated with Mercedes-Benz AG, although Mercedes-Benz will not assume reponsibility for IFA debts, Mr. Werner said.

He added that Mercedes-Benz had sold about 2,000 new and secondhand trucks in East Germany so far this year, as well as 250 buses and 2,000 new cars. Mercedes-Benz aimed at winning 10 per cent of the East German market, Mr. Werner said.

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#90244e0001 09/01/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Buenos Aires (SEPT. 1) EFE - The Argentine government has raised the price of gasoline and public services and tightened tax laws in a bid to slash the public deficit and rein in soaring inflation.

Economy Minister Erman Gonzalez Friday announced a 35 percent increase in fuel prices and a between 12 and 15 percent hike in the cost of utilities and other public services.

In a nationally-broadcast speech, Gonzalez said the government would crack down on tax evasion and eliminate fiscal loopholes in the new phase of the government's economic program.

Gonzalez said public employees on temporary contracts would be layed off as part a bid to streamline state companies and administration.

Earlier this week, officials said the decision not to renew the contracts of some 80,000 state workers was part of President Carlos Menem's efforts to reduce the size of the public administration to what it was 25 years ago.

The government Friday also took steps to restrict bank operations, ordering those financial institutions which are in debt to the Central Bank to pay up by December 1 or face bankruptcy.

Gonzalez said the government had managed to slash the 1990 budget by dlrs 4 billion and boost reserves to dlrs 3.8 billion.

He praised the results of the far-reaching privatization program initiatied by Menem after he took office in July 1989 in a bid to unload burdensome and inefficient state companies.

Among the state enterprises sold off were the communications company ENTel Aerolineas Argentinas airlines, 10,000 km in toll roads, and two Buenos Aires television stations.

Since taking office, Menem has had little success in lifting the country

out of its dire economic straits and controlling inflation.

Prices in the first seven months of the year rose 802 percent and the government aims to bring the monthly average inflation down to below 10 per cent.

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#90244e0017 09/01/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Madrid (SEPT. 1) EFE - Police have seized 77 kg of heroin worth an estimated dlrs 15O million and arrested five traffickers led by a Lebanese in the Spanish capital, authorities said Saturday.

Anti-narcotics agents stopped a car in Madrid on Thursday and found the heroin in the boot. They arrested a Tunisian with a false Lebanese passport and a Belgian who was apparently contracted to drive the car.

The seizure led to the later arrests of three Lebanese men, including the gang's leader, in the capital. Police said the heroin came from the Middle East and that it was the largest haul by authorities this year in Spain.

In April, 62 kg of heroin were seized by police in Guipuzcoa, 330 km northeast of Madrid.

A Spanish government report released two months ago said more drugs were seized in Spain last year than in any other European nation.

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#90244e0024 09/01/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
La Paz (SEPT. 1) EFE - Bolivian anti-drug agents have seized three tonnes of cocaine and destroyed 12 cocaine processing factories in a raid in

Chapare, some 500 km from the capital La Paz, authorities said Saturday.

The raid, which took place last Wednesday, was described as a +severe blow to the drug traffickers+ by the commander of the operation, Flavio Valdes, but there were no arrests.

Chapare, in Cochabamba province, is one of Bolivia's major cocaine-producing areas, while Bolivia itself is the world's second biggest producer of coca leaf, the raw material for the drug, after neighboring Peru.-EFE

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#90244k0012 09/01/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 1) KYODO - FOREIGN INVESTORS REMAIN ACTIVE BUYERS IN THE JAPANESE BOND MARKET, ATTRACTED BY HIGH YIELDS GENERATED BY FALLING BOND PRICES, MARKET SOURCES SAY.

NET PURCHASES OF BONDS BY FOREIGNERS CLIMBED TO AN ALL-TIME HIGH OF 599.0 BILLION YEN IN JULY, ECLIPSING THE PREVIOUS HIGH OF 597.9 BILLION YEN RECORDED IN JUNE, ACCORDING TO THE JAPAN SECURITIES DEALERS ASSOCIATION.

THEY HAVE BOUGHT MORE BONDS THAN THEY SOLD IN EACH OF THE PAST NINE MONTHS UP THROUGH JULY.

FOREIGN INVESTORS, SUCH AS THE SAUDI ARABIAN MONETARY AGENCY (SAMA), CENTRAL BANKS OF VARIOUS NATIONS, AND INVESTMENT AND PENSION TRUSTS, APPEARED TO HAVE SLOWED THEIR PURCHASES IN AUGUST BECAUSE OF THE CRISIS IN THE MIDDLE EAST. A TRADER AT A MAJOR JAPANESE SECURITIES HOUSE SAID, HOWEVER, ''THEY ARE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE TO BUY IN THE COMING MONTHS BECAUSE OF GOOD ECONOMIC FUNDAMENTALS IN JAPAN.''

HE CITED A PERSISTENT MARKET VIEW THAT THE YEN WILL BE STRONGER AGAINST THE DOLLAR IN THE LONG TERM AND NOTED THE RAPIDLY DIMINISHING GAP IN LONG-TERM INTEREST RATES BETWEEN JAPAN AND THE U.S. HE ADDED THAT FOREIGNERS CONSISTENTLY PURCHASED JAPANESE BONDS DURING A PERIOD OF YEN APPRECIATION THAT BEGAN IN 1985.

WHILE THE FOREIGNERS FOCUS ON SHORT- AND MEDIUM-TERM BONDS AS INVESTMENT TARGETS, THEY ARE ALSO BUYING A WIDE RANGE OF GOVERNMENT BONDS WITH LOW

COUPONS, THE SOURCES SAID.

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#90244p0770 09/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON, DC (SEPT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Aloha Airlines Flight Attendants, represented by the Association of Flight Attendants (AFA), announced today that they have not reached agreement by the August 31 amendable date of the current contract. The two parties have been in negotiations since July 18 over a new contract covering Aloha's 222 Flight Attendants.

Aloha Airlines recently announced 1989 profits of $1.26 million, as well as gains in revenue passenger miles and passenger load factor. "Twice during negotiations in past years, when the company was having financial difficulties, the AFA membership made significant sacrifices to keep the airline flying," said Peggy Heidel Gordon, AFA's Master Executive President at Aloha.

"Now that the company is doing well, we believe the Flight Attendants deserve a fair agreement." The AFA negotiating team plans to continue to press the company for an equitable settlement.

The Association of Flight Attendants, AFL-CIO, represents 30,000 Flight Attendants on 18 airlines, and is the largest Flight Attendant union in the world.

CONTACT: Peggy Heidel Gordon, (808) 239-9478 of the Association of Fligh Attendants.

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#90244u0130 09/01/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 1) UPI - Wildlife officials in Alaska are trying to figure out the cause of a large-scale bird die-off along the shores of the Gulf of Alaska. Biologists have found about one-thousand dead birds in the area. Most of the carcasses are white-winged scoters... a bird hard-hit by last year's Exxon Valdez spill. Investigators haveN'T ruled out oil as a factor in the die-off, although there are NO signs of oil causing the recent deaths.

Farmers in Alaska would like to inform you that the crops they grow are NO small potatoes. Take for instance the hefty cabbage showed off at the Alaska State Fair in Palmer Friday. The massive vegetable tipped the scales at 98 pounds... four pounds more than its closest competitor... and more than 14 pounds heavier than the previous record-holder. Another record was set in among zucchini, where the top prize went to a 21-pounder.

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#90244u0148 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 2) UPI - The State Department says it is keeping a file on possible war crimes committed by President Saddam Hussein of Iraq. State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said Friday it is normal practice for the department to review actions by other governments that might violate the 1949 Geneva Convention on the rules of war.

The convention, which Iraq signed, forbids the taking of civilian hostages and using civilians as human shields around potential military targets. Administration sources told the Los Angeles Times that they hope the threat of a war crimes tribunal will deter Saddam from taking any further action against the thousands of foreign hostages he now holds, or against prisoners of war if fighting erupts.

The allegations also could help justify any direct military action by the United States. "Some (legal) action has to be taken, both because we have a right to bring him to justice and to deter him from further violations," said an administration official who asked not to be identified.

The building of a legal case also appears to be part of a larger administration effort to justify its presence in the Arabian desert and to provide the basis for a war not just to protect Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf oil fields, but also to eliminate Saddam and his vast arsenal from the Middle East.

Officials said Saddam clearly has violated the most serious precept in international law by waging a war of aggression. That charge was the foundation of the war crimes trials of Nazi leaders in Nuremberg.

Saddam also committed "grave breaches" of the Geneva Convention by taking hostages, removing them from occupied territory and placing them at military installations as shields against attack, the officials said.

They further allege that the Iraqi army's treatment of civilians and its looting in Kuwait are violations of the Geneva Convention's international rules of warfare. In addition, they said, Saddam's actions against embassies and diplomatic personnel have breached the 1973 New York Convention.

While rounding up Saddam and his advisers to stand trial could be problematic in a city as large and well-defended as Baghdad, one expert said just convening a war crimes trial could have a sobering effort on Saddam.

"They can try in in absentia. He would be given every opportunity to come and represent himself if he likes," said John Norton Moore, a former State

Department international law specialist.

"But there's no question that the (U.N.) Security Council has jurisdiction to hold an international war crimes tribunal as a measure to restore international peace and peace and security," Moore said.

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#90244u0216 09/01/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 1) UPI -

Baltimore - Recalled pitcher Kevin Hickey and infielder Jeff McKnight from Rochester of the International League (AAA).

Boston - Acquired pitcher Larry Andersen from Houston for minor league third baseman Jeff Bagwell; optioned pitcher Daryl Irvine to Pawtucket of International League (AAA).

Chicago (AL) - Recalled pitchers Shawn Hillegas and Steve Rosenberg, outfielder Rodney McCray and catcher Jerry Willard from Vancouver of Pacific Coast League (AAA); purchased the contract of designated hitter Matt Stark from Birmingham of Southern League (AA).

Chicago (NL) - Recalled pitchers Jose Nunez and Les Lancaster, catcher Damon Berryhill and outfielder Lloyd McClendon from Iowa of American Association (AAA); acquired pitcher Randy Kramer from Pittsburgh for minor league pitcher Greg Kallevig.

Cincinnati - Acquired first baseman Terry Lee from Nashville of American Association (AAA); placed pitcher Jack Armstrong on 15-day disabled list retroactive to Aug. 25; recalled infielder Billy Bates and pitcher Tim Birtsas from Nashville, effective Sept. 1

Houston - Traded second baseman Bill Doran to Cincinnati for three players to be named.

New York (NL) - Acquired second baseman Tom Herr from Philadelphia for minor leaguers pitcher Rocky Elli and outfielder Nikco Riesgo; acquired catcher Charlie O'Brien and a player to be named from Milwaukee for two players to be named; optioned first baseman Kelvin Torve to Tidewater of International League (AAA); released catcher Alex Trevino.

Philadelphia - Recalled second baseman Mickey Morandini from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre of International League (AAA).

Pittsburgh - Traded pitcher Randy Kramer to Chicago (NL) for minor league pitcher Greg Kallevig.

San Francisco - Signed outfielder Kevin Mitchell to four-year contract extension.

Texas - Purchased the contract of pitcher Gerald Alexander from Oklahoma City of the American Association (AAA); recalled catcher Chad Kreuter and third baseman Scott Coolbaugh from their AAA club; recalled catcher Bill Haselman and outfielder Kevin Belcher from Tulsa of the Texas League (AA).

College

Bentley - Promoted volleyball coach Sandy Thompson to assistant athletic director for compliance and student services.

Glassboro State - Named Tony Delucas running backs coach, Archie Stolcup linebacker coach, Ed Denton defensive line coach, Dan Walsh offensive assistant coach and Pat Esemplare defensive assistant coach; named Vijay Paul women's tennis coach; named Jane Ehnot assistant field hockey and lacrosse coach.

Missouri - Declared tight end Tim Bruton academically ineligible for the 1990 season.

Montclair State - Named Al Langer sports information director; named Deb Ballway women's field hockey coach.

Vermont - Named Jesse Agel men's assistant basketball coach.

Football

Cleveland - Agreed to terms with linebacker Mike Johnson.

NY Giants - Agreed to terms with defensive end Leonard Marshall on a three-year contract.

San Diego - Waived LB Wayne Dickson.

Hockey

Boston - Signed defenseman Ray Bourque to four-year contract.

Montreal - Agreed to terms with center Denis Savard to a three-year contract; signed center Paul Dipietro to a two-year contract.

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#90244u0238 09/01/1990 ~United Press International
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (SEPT. 1) UPI - It took all of 30 minutes for the 1990 Southern Cal defense to look like the 1989 version.

Todd Marinovich passed for 337 yards and three touchdowns and USC held co-No. 24 Syracuse to just 139 yards and six points after halftime Friday night, helping the sixth-ranked Trojans to a 34-16 victory in the Kickoff Classic.

Ricky Ervins ran for 96 yards and a touchdown and caught a 22-yard TD pass for the Trojans, while Gary Wellman had 7 catches for 109 yards and a score. Marinovich, named the game's Most Valuable Player, completed 25 of 35 passes with no interceptions.

But it was the USC defense which turned the game the Trojans' way. Southern Cal returned only two starters from a unit that led the nation in total defense in 1989 and was second in scoring defense.

''It's awful hard to get into the end zone against USC,'' Syracuse Coach Dick MacPherson said. ''Inside the 25 (yard line), their defense is one of the best in the country. Very few people get into the end zone from inside the 25 on them.''

Led by multiple-threat quarterback Marvin Graves, the Orangemen rolled up 194 yards total offense in the first half in trailing 14-10. But USC's nine new defensive starters played more cohesively in the second half.

''I thought in the first half, we were very confused,'' Southern Cal Coach Larry Smith said. ''At halftime they got together and in the second half played together pretty good.

''The main thing was to gey to get in the right defense. The adjustments were better. Defense is that way - you play better as the game goes on. You don't scrap anything.''

The Trojans, leading 17-13, used a blocked punt and Wellman's 46- yard touchdown catch to take control with 2:44 left in the third quarter.

With the ball at the Syracuse 47, Calvin Holmes shed his blocker and stormed in from the left side to block Ken Hawkins' punt. Holmes picked up the ball and ran into the end zone, but the return was called back because of a clipping penalty.

''That was a called block,'' Smith said. ''We brought nine people and got one free. Fortunately for us, that was our fastest man.''

On the next play, Marinovich found Wellman streaking on a post pattern and hit him over the shoulder to complete the 46-yard TD pass.

''Gary kept saying, 'The post is there. The post is there,''' Marinovich said. ''I finally saw him open.''

Marinovich's 71 percent completion rate was the second-highest of the sophomore's career, and his three TD throws tied the Kickoff Classic record set by Brigham Young's Robbie Bosco in 1985.

''It surprised me when they told me how many yards I passed for and what my completion percentage was,'' Marinovich said. ''I was just trying to get the ball to my guys.''

Syracuse drove 70 yards on its next possession to the USC 2-yard line, but the drive stalled and the Orangemen had to settle for a 21- yard John Biskup field goal with 12:07 to go.

Southern Cal took a 27-16 lead with 7:24 remaining on a 25-yard field goal by Quin Rodriguez. The Trojans had been forced to punt, but the drive was kept alive when Syracuse was flagged for having 12 men on the field. Marinovich completed passes of 19 yards to Frank Griffin and 16 to Wellman before the drive stalled again.

Ervins gave Southern Cal a 34-16 advantage with a 2-yard TD run with 36 seconds left.

Graves, a redshirt freshman seeing his first collegiate action, led the Orangemen with 59 yards rushing and 191 passing, including a 30-yard TD strike to David Walker.

''Marvin was marvelous,'' MacPherson said. ''I thought he was tired at the end - he wasn't functioning the way he should. He'll need to keep the level up to play in Division I. But he has tremendous skills.''

Southern Cal took advantage of a turnover deep in Syracuse territory to take a 7-0 lead on the first play of the second quarter.

Syracuse's Duane Kinnon fumbled at the Orangemen 19-yard line after receiving a pass from Graves and linebacker Matt Gee recovered. Four plays later, Marinovich hit Scott Lockwood with a 12-yard scoring pass, with Lockwood scampering the final five yards through the Syracuse defense.

Following an exchange of punts, Graves led the Orangemen on a 9- play, 72-yard drive to a 25-yard field goal by Biskup. Syracuse was aided early in the drive by a pass-interference penalty against USC's Howard McCowan, then Graves took a keeper all the way to the Trojans 23.

Facing third-and-12 from the USC 25, Graves ran the quarterback draw 14 yards, but the drive stalled.

Southern Cal took the ensuing kickoff 80 yards for a touchdown and a 14-3 lead. Marinovich connected on an 18-yard pass to Larry Wallace and Ervins

had a 23-yard run on the drive before Ervins took a screen pass and scampered 22 yards for a touchdown with 5:11 left in the half.

Syracuse also used a screen pass to score just before halftime, coming on a 30-yard TD reception by Walker to pull within 14-10 with 59 seconds left. Graves marched the Orangemen 78 yards in six plays, hitting four of five passes on the drive.

The two teams exchanged field goals on their opening possessions of the second half. Southern Cal went 41 yards in nine plays to Rodriguez' 44-yarder, then Syracuse's Qadry Ismail took the ensuing kickoff 57 yards to set up a 46-yard field goal by Biskup.

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(SEPT. 1) UPI - A published report says Israel is in line to receive up to one-BILLION dollars in advanced weaponry. The weapons transfer is said to stem from Washington's desire to shore up Israel's defenses against possible Iraqi agression. It's also reported that the action is intended to offset U-S arms sales to Saudi Arabia. Earlier this week, the Bush administration O-K'd a multi-BILLION-dollar package to the Saudi kingdom.

Further talks are scheduled Saturday between U-N Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar and Iraq's foreign minister. The pair met for five hours Friday to discuss the situation in the Middle East. NEITHER man was very talkative following the session, although the day's proceedings prompted them to agree to meet again. The White House has expressed pessimism about what the talks could produce.

Researchers in Albany, New York, say the timing of chemo-therapy for people with kidney disease could be important to the treatment's success. The researchers say timing chemo-therapy to the patient's biological rhythms may offer hope for some people with advanced kidney disease that was previously considered fatal. Some patients using that method were totally cured.

Officials in Alaska Friday announced the discovery of the mummified remains of 30 humans and their possessions from an Aleut culture from hundreds of years ago. Biologists found the ancient cave on one of Alaska's Aleutian islands. It contains perfectly preserved weapons, art, toys and household goods. An archeologist for the U-S Fish and Wildlife Service in Anchorage said the find is one of the most important in Alaska in half a century.

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(SEPT. 1) UPI - Renowned blues musician Taj Mahal joined the Texas agriculture commissioner in Austin Friday to endorse a package of minority rights in the 1990 farm bill. Mahal worked on a family dairy farm in Massachusetts as a youngster. He decried the fall in the number of black farmers to 35-thousand from what he said was nearly one-Million in the 1920's.

At least one group in Madison, Wisconsin, is NOT happy to see the circus come to town. The Alliance for Animals staged a protest during Friday night's opening of the Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus... dubbing it ''The Cruelest Show on Earth.'' The alliance charges animals endure numerous atrocities and inhumane treatment in being trained for the circus.

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East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	74	57	.565	-
Toronto	68	64	.515	6 1/2
Detroit	63	69	.477	11 1/2
Milwaukee	61	69	.469	12 1/2
Baltimore	60	70	.462	13 1/2
Cleveland	59	72	.450	15
New York	56	75	.427	18

West

Oakland	82	49	.626	-
Chicago	75	55	.577	6 1/2
Texas	66	65	.504	16
California	66	66	.500	16 1/2
Kansas City	65	66	.496	17
Seattle	64	68	.485	18 1/2
Minnesota	59	73	.447	23 1/2

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East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	75	55	.577	-
New York	74	55	.574	1/2
Montreal	68	62	.523	7

Chicago	62	68	.477	13
Philadelphia	60	69	.465	14 1/2
St. Louis	60	71	.458	15 1/2
West				
Cincinnati	75	55	.577	-
Los Angeles	70	61	.534	5 1/2
San Francisco	67	64	.511	8 1/2
San Diego	60	69	.465	14 1/2
Houston	59	72	.450	16 1/2
Atlanta	51	80	.389	24 1/2

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(SEPT. 1) UPI - After setting the table at home in the Kingdome Friday night, the Griffeys will be eating out.

As if making baseball history as the first father/son tandem to play together in the same lineup wasn't enough, senior and junior Griffey each contributed singles to set up Seattle's three-run first inning Friday night and help the Mariners roll to a 5-2 victory over the Kansas City Royals.

''We had a (dinner) bet on the first hit,'' said the younger Griffey. ''He won, but I had a chance to tie, and I did.''

Hitting in the second spot in the lineup with his new team, Griffey Sr. singled to center. However, his son, hitting third, followed with a single of his own, which started the Mariners rolling to their three-run outburst.

''Either way, he has to take me out to dinner,'' Griffey Sr. said.

Griffey Jr., the Mariners' centerfielder, said when he watched his father playing leftfield next to him, it nearly brought tears to his eyes.

''It was different, a lot of fun,'' he said. ''But it hasn't sunk in yet.''

In 1987, when Griffey Jr. signed with the Mariners, Griffey Sr. said he felt someday the two might play together.

''I knew how good he is,'' the father said, but he admitted feeling the chance they would be on the same team was a long shot because he thought his son might have to wait two more years to play in the major leagues.

''By then I thought I might be gone,'' Griffey Sr. said. ''I owe a lot to Pete Rose,'' the former Cincinnati manager, who found a place for him on the Reds' roster in 1989. Cincinnati released Griffey earlier this week,

and he signed with the Mariners Wednesday.

Even Kansas City Manager John Wathan found the situation interesting.

''That was exciting,'' he said. ''But I would have rather seen it on ESPN and been playing some other team.''

The only time a father/son tandem played in professional sports was when Gordie Howe played with his sons Marty and Mark with the Hartford Whalers hockey team from 1977-1979.

Mariners' starter Randy Johnson, 13-8, allowed five hits over 7 1-3 innings for the win. Bill Swift, scheduled to start Saturday, worked the final 1 2-3 innings for his third save.

Storm Davis, 7-10, suffered the loss.

Red Sox 7, Yankees 3

At Boston, Luis Rivera belted his first career grand-slam to break the game open in the eighth inning and Greg Harris pitched a four-hitter to lead the Red Sox. Rivera, who drove in another run in the fourth, collected a career-high five RBI. Harris improved to 12-5. Chuck Cary, who fell to 5-9, has lost five of his last six decisions.

Blue Jays 12, Indians 8

At Cleveland, Luis Sojo drove in five runs with two hits, including a three-run homer that highlighted a six-run sixth inning. Jim Acker, 3- 4, got the win in relief of starter David Wells. Loser Greg Swindell, 10-8, gave up eight runs on 10 hits over five innings.

Tigers 12, Twins 6

At Minneapolis, Lou Whitaker and Larry Sheets collected three RBI apiece to power Detroit to their third straight victory. Clay Parker, 3- 1, pitched 3 2-3 innings of scoreless relief for the victory. Paul Abbott, 0-2, allowed six runs and five hits and Kent Hrbek and Gary Gaetti - who both homered for the Twins - also drove in three runs each in a losing cause.

Brewers 4, Orioles 1

At Milwaukee, Greg Brock drove in two runs and Ron Robinson pitched his fourth complete game of the season. Robinson, 8-3, allowed eight hits in the complete-game effort. John Mitchell fell to 6-6, allowing nine hits and four runs over 5 1-3 innings.

Athletics 4, Rangers 2

At Oakland, Bob Welch earned his major-league leading 22nd victory and Carney Lansford contributed a pair of RBI singles. Welch, 22-5, scattered six hits over 7 1-3 innings and Dennis Eckersley pitched a scoreless ninth for his 40th save. Rangers' starter Jamie Moyer, 1-6, lasted just 2 2-3 innings, allowing three runs and six hits while walking two.

White Sox 6, Angels 5

At Anaheim, Calif., rookie Frank Thomas delivered a three-run homer with two outs in the seventh, helping Chicago snap California's five- game winning streak. Greg Hibbard, 11-8, allowed four runs and eight hits in 6 1-3 innings for the win. Bobby Thigpen recorded his 45th save, one short of a major-league record set in 1986 by Dave Righetti of the New York Yankees. Mark Langston, 8-16, took the loss and had his personal three-game winning streak halted.

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(SEPT. 1) UPI - The New York Mets were the aggressors and the Pittsburgh Pirates the victims in mirrored ninth innings Friday night.

New York produced a three-run two-out rally for a 4-3 victory over the San Francisco Giants, while Pittsburgh surrendered three runs with two outs to drop a 3-2 decision to the Houston Astros.

With their fourth-straight victory, the Mets picked up a full game on the first-place Pirates in the NL East and now trail by just 1-2 game.

Howard Johnson's bloop single scored Darryl Strawberry from third base to cap the Mets' improbable comeback.

Trailing 3-1, Dave Magadan singled and scored on Gregg Jefferies' double to right-center field. Giants' loser Steve Bedrosian, 6-8, relieved starter Don Robinson and issued an intentional walk to Strawberry. Kevin McReynolds singled home Jefferies with the tying run, with Strawberry moving to third on the play. Strawberry scored the winning run when Johnson's flare fell just in front of diving right- fielder Mike Kingery.

''With a chance to win the game you've got to be aggresssive and go for it '' Johnson said. ''That's why I swung at the pitch and only got a piece of it, but just enough. It was a lot like Game 6 of the World Series in 1986. We shouldn't fall behind like this but this was some big victory.

The scene was similar in Houston.

After coming back from a 2-0 deficit to tie the game, pinch-hitter Glenn Wilson capped Houston's game-winning surge with an RBI single off reliever Bill Landrum, which scored Franklin Stubbs from second base.

''It looked like we were in good shape,'' Pittsburgh manager Jim Leyland said. ''We just couldn't get the 27th out. Sometimes that's a tough one to get. We had the game under control and we let it get away.''

The defeat marred an outstanding performance by Pittsburgh starter Zane Smith, who allowed just one Houston baserunner to advance to third over eight innings.

Back in New York, Giants' starter Robinson, who was one out away from a complete-game victory, took a no-decision after allowing three runs and eight hits.

Giants' Manager Roger Craig defended his decision to pull Robinson.

''I'm not going to let Strawberry beat me,'' Craig said. ''He's been hitting extremely well and that's why we walked him intentionally. I took Robinson out because he was tired and I had Bedrock (Steve Bedrosian) throwing in the bullpen at 90 mph.''

Jefferies, who was the last Met to hit off Robinson, disagreed.

''Robinson was pitching just as good in the ninth as in the first,'' Jefferies said. ''He still had his stuff and his velocity.''

Frank Viola, 17-9, pitched his seventh complete game and posted his second win in his last six starts. The left-hander allowed 11 hits and one walk while striking out six.

Cubs 4, Reds 3

At Chicago, Joe Girardi's bases-loaded single scored Dwight Smith and capped the Cubs' two-run, ninth-inning rally. Andre Dawson led off the ninth with a double to right off Randy Myers, 3-4. Wilkerson pinch- ran for Dawson and scored on a single by Luis Salazar to tie the score. Bill Long moved to 6-0 with one perfect inning.

Phillies 4, Padres 2

At Philadelphia, John Kruk doubled in two runs in the eighth inning to enable the Phillies to break a three-game losing streak. Kruk doubled off reliever Greg Harris to score Randy Ready and Von Hayes and hand the Padres their third straight loss. Roger McDowell, 6-6, went two innings for the victory. Atlee Hammaker dropped to 4-6.

Expos 5, Dodgers 2

At Montreal, Chris Nabholz threw a one-hitter for seven innings and Delino DeShields picked up three RBI to help Montreal snap Los Angeles' five-game winning streak. Nabholz, 3-0, earned the win despite walking six. Mike Morgan, 10-12, took the loss.

Braves 4, Cardinals 1

At Atlanta, John Smoltz and Kent Mercker tossed a combined eight- hitter to pace the Braves. Smoltz, 12-9, allowed seven hits in 8 1-3 innings while striking out six and walking four. Cardinals' starter and loser Jose DeLeon, 7-14, scattered three hits over six innings.

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(SEPT. 1) UPI - Skies were clear over much of the nation early Saturday as Americans began celebrating a long holiday weekend to mark the unofficial end of summer.

Scattered early morning showers and thunderstorms developed over the panhandle area of Florida, where temperatures were in the 70s and 80s and forecasters expected some afternoon showers and thunderstorms and highs in the low to middle 90s.

There was patchy fog in eastern Pennsylvania and portions of western New York and the lower Hudson Valley, but clear skies dominated most of the rest of the Northeast, with a bright and warm day expected to follow.

But a switch to southerly winds brought a touch more humidity to the region and a chance of thunderstorms later Saturday loomed for parts of western New York.

Temperatures dipped into the 60s early Saturday, but were forecast to rise into the middle to upper 80s for much of the Northeast by later in the day.

In much of the West, skies were clear to partly cloudy, except for morning coastal low clouds and fog. Temperatures were forecast to be near seasonal normals, 60s and 70s along the coast and high 80s to the 90s inland.

Las Vegas hit 103 degrees Friday, four points above the normal for the date, and similar readings were expected through the holidays.

Skies were partly to mostly cloudy in parts of the Midwest, especially in lower Michigan.

In Texas, where daytime readings Friday hit 107 in Waco, 105 in Austin and

103 in Dallas, a tornado touched down Friday evening south of the city of Ganado and high winds ripped a roof off a mobil home and tore trees down in northern De Witt County.

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CAIRO, Egypt (SEPT. 1) UPI - Renewing a call for the unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait, Arab League foreign ministers demanded Saturday that Iraq release all foreigners and pay reparations for damages from its invasion.

Release of the five-part resolution came a day after 13 Arab League members concluded a two-day extraordinary session on the Persian Gulf crisis. While Libya attended the ministerial meeting, it voted against the demands.

Eight Arab League members declined to attend the session - Iraq, Jordan, Yemen, Algeria, Tunisia, Sudan, Mauritania and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

''We have differences when we come to the way of handling the crisis,'' Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid said after releasing the session's decisions. ''We do not hide this.''

But he added he did not believe the divisions signaled an end of the Arab League.

The decisions by the Arab League foreign ministers reaffirmed the full, but divided, Arab League's call Aug. 10 for an immediate Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and restoration of the legitimate government. Iraq, Libya and the PLO had voted against that resolution while several either abstained or voiced reservations.

But the final communique of the foreign ministers released Saturday added several new elements, specifically the call for payment of reparations.

Within the communique, the Arab League ministers also affirmed their support for U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar's mission aimed at implementing U.N. resolutions against Iraq. But, in an apparent reference to several initiatives circulating, they emphasized that any Arab solution to the Gulf crisis should emanate from the Arab League and be based on its Aug. 10 resolution.

Asked if there was a time limit for the peace efforts, Meguid told reporters, ''There is no time limit, but patience is not unlimited.''

The communique denounced Iraq for damaging or confiscating property

belonging to the Kuwaiti government, private and public establishments, and Arab and international organizations, and urged authorities to immediately stop such actions.

The ministers held ''the Republic of Iraq responsible for offering compensation for the damages and losses which the Iraqi invasion and occupation of Kuwait has inflicted and continues to inflict.''

The ministers also demanded Iraq allow foreigners in Kuwait and Iraq to leave ''any time they wish'' and said they held Iraq ''totally responsible for any harm done to the lives of the subjects of other countries or damages inflicted on their properties.'' On the issue of Kuwaiti citizens, the Arab delegates denounced acts committed against them and demanded Iraq protect them.

The ministers affirmed ''the legitimate right of Kuwaitis and nationals of other countries who have suffered, to receive fair indemnity for the damages and losses inflicted upon them.''

The Arab leaders also declared null and void Iraq's order for all foreign missions to close Aug. 24 and relocate to Baghdad. Several embassies, including the Soviet Union, have evacuated their staff but maintain their missions are technically open.

The United States, the European Community and several other countries have kept a limited number of diplomats at besieged embassies in an effort to maintain contact with their citizens trapped in Kuwait and to show they do not consider Iraq's annexation of Kuwait valid.

In the communique, the ministers also demanded Iraq not ''infringe upon the demographic composition or change the administrative division or alter the namings in the state of Kuwait.''

However, their demand came a little late. On Tuesday, Iraq designated Kuwait its 19th administrative province and renamed districts within Kuwaiti territory, including changing Kuwait City to Kadhima.

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SACRAMENTO, Calif. (SEPT. 1) UPI - The state Assembly early Saturday effectively killed a proposal to dramatically alter the dynamics of the 1992 presidential primary season by moving California's contest from June to March.

The effort to give California, the most populous state, greater clout in the selection of major party presidential nominees fell victim to partisan bickering over a related state issue concerning citizen ballot initiatives.

''I think it's unfortunate, because the voters in California deserve to have their voice heard on issues affecting them,'' said Assemblyman Jim Costa, a Fresno Democrat who has tried unsuccessfully for 11 years to advance California's presidential primary date.

The traditional June date for the California primary usually has come after the Democratic and Republican nominations have been decided by voters elsewhere in the country.

''Once again, the most populous state in the nation is going to find itself on the sidelines in 1992,'' Costa said.

The lawmaker said his plan to move California's primary to early March - after Iowa's caucuses and New Hampshire's primary, but before the South's ''Super Tuesday'' primary - would have been good for the nation as well.

He said it would have forced presidential candidates to present themselves to a diverse multiethnic electorate that more closely resembles a national cross-section than the electorate in Iowa.

In the past, California's June primary generally has had little significance. The last time California made a difference in a Democratic nomination was 1972, when George McGovern defeated Hubert Humphrey. The last Republican primary season in which California counted was 1964, when Barry Goldwater beat Nelson Rockefeller.

But state Sen. Bill Lockyer, a San Leandro Democrat and one of the leading opponents of an early primary, told a reporter: ''California so far has contributed three people to the White House: Herbert Hoover, Richard Nixon and Ronald Reagan. Why should we try to amplify our influence when that's the kind of record we have?''

Critics also argued that an early presidential primary would have limited presidential elections to wealthy candidates who could afford the expensive campaign that a huge state like California would require.

Still, what eventually killed the early primary was not these national concerns, but rather a fight to exclude citizen initiatives from the presidential primary ballot.

Many lawmakers were concerned that a March presidential primary - held in addition to the usual June primary for state races and the November general election - could be manipulated by special interest groups seeking to seize upon a low voter turnout to push through ballot initiatives.

Republican legislators favored excluding initiatives from the March primary because they do not expect many voters to turn out in 1992 to

renominate President Bush, a likely shoo-in. Democratic lawmakers, however insist on excluding initiatives from the June primary, which they said would have a low turnout without a presidential contest at the top of the ballot.

A proposal to ask voters to exclude initiatives from the March ballot fell seven votes short Saturday of the 54 needed for passage in the Assembly. Senate leaders said it would have had trouble in that chamber as well.

With the initiative measure dead, Costa did not ask for a vote on his early primary bill.

''The bottom line is that a number of my colleagues in both houses chose to put their own partisan politics above voters' right to have their own voice heard,'' Costa said.

But Senate President Pro Tem David Roberti, a Los Angeles Democrat, said the placement of initiatives on the ballot has become a critical issue for California, more critical than an early presidential primary.

Costa said he has not ruled out another effort next year, but said it could be even more difficult to get the necessary votes just a year before the 1992 elections, when the effects of an early primary on various potential candidates would likely be weighed.

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JAKARTA, Indonesia (SEPT. 1) UPI - Indonesia urged industrialized countries Saturday to release their oil reserves and help ease the world oil market that has been tightened by the Persian Gulf crisis.

Mines and Energy Minister Ginandjar Kartasasmita told reporters after meeting with President Suharto that oil prices have continued to rise even though the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries decided to increase its output.

The OPEC meeting ended Wednesday in Vienna with a decision to allow members to raise output to compensate for crude lost in a U.N. embargo against Iraq.

The United Nations embargoed about 4 million barrels a day of oil exported from Kuwait and Iraq.

''The oil stocks in the industrialized countries must be released,'' Ginandjar said. ''This cannot wait until an oil crisis developed further '' Ginandjar said.

He said if the current prices are remains high, the coming winter the price would go more higher.

Oil prices, which reached $32 last week, fell to under $26 after the reports of the OPEC agreement, but it Has risen again as the situation has remained uncertain.

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(SEPT. 1) UPI - Health Secretary Louis Sullivan has sent Congress a proposal that could give rural physicians bigger Medicare payments. Under the current system, payments usually are higher for big-city doctors. Sullivan's new plan will set a standard payment policy throughout the country.

Police say a Bronx assistant district attorney who was shot to death Thursday apparently was a bystander caught in the middle of a fight between drug dealers. They have arrested Jose Diaz, a reputed drug dealer. Police say he shot assistant D-A Sean Healy, but really intended to kill a drug pusher.

Del Monte foods has recalled more than 20-thousand cans of green beans because some were NOT cooked. The government says they could contain microbes that could cause food poisoning. Consumers may have bought some cans last month at Pathmark stores in the Northeast. They bear the code 00JF2 on the bottom.

A scientist says she finds NO persuasive evidence that cancer rates are higher around the area of the 1979 Three Mile Island nuclear reactor accident in Pennsylvania. Maureen Hatch, an epidemiologist at Columbia University, says there is NO evidence of an epidemic.

Police in Vancouver, Washington, made a high-tech roundup of eight drug suspects. They confiscated a digital pager from a man they arrested Thursday. Then they returned calls to telephone numbers left on the pager. Six men and two women were arrested on suspicion of buying or attempting to buy cocaine.

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Baseball
American League
New York at Boston, 1:05 p.m.
Texas at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Chicago at California, 4:05 p.m.

Toronto at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.
Detroit at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
Baltimore at Milwaukee, 8:35 p.m.
Kansas City at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.

National League
San Francisco at New York, 1:35 p.m.
Cincinnati at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
San Diego at Philadelphia, 2, 5:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m.
Los Angeles at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Houston, 8:05 p.m.

Football
San Diego at LA Raiders, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at NY Giants, 8 p.m.
Houston at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 9 p.m.

Golf
Franklin, Wis. - PGA Greater Milwaukee Open
Indianapolis - GTE North Senior Classic

Tennis
New York - U.S. Open

Track and Field
Split, Yugoslavia - European Championships

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BOSTON (SEPT. 1) UPI - Former hostage Frank Reed said he fears the spotlight on foreigners held in Iraq will detract from efforts to free Westerners who have spent years in captivity in Lebanon.

Reed, 57, returned to his home in suburban Malden Friday night after a reunion in Dublin with his former colleague in captivity, Brian Keenan. The Irish hostage was released by pro-Iranian Moslem extremists Aug. 24 after more than four years in captivity.

Reed said Westerners still held in Lebanon face a more harrowing ordeal than the foreigners stranded in Iraq.

''I have a difficult time equating hostaging as I know it in terms of chains and cruelty and blindfolding to what's going on (with those in Iraq),'' he told reporters at Boston's Logan International Airport.

''Sitting around the swimming pool in a hotel doesn't, to me, equate to what's going on with those men (in Lebanon). I've called them (those in Iraq) prisoners of war,'' he said.

The widespread attention accorded the plight of foreigners caught in Iraq ''just pushes the other hostages further and further away,'' he said.

Reed was freed April 30 after 44 months as a hostage in Lebanon. Subsequent medical tests showed that he had been fed arsenic during his captivity. He has been extremely vocal in his call for the release of other Westerners held in Lebanon.

He renewed that call after his meeting with Keenan, saying the White House should negotiate for the safe return of Americans in both Lebanon and Iraq.

''The French talked and traded. They feel no shame. The Irish feel no shame getting their citizens out. We should feel no shame getting our citizens out,'' he said.

He also said he did not believe Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would hurt Westerners in his power.

''He will never hurt anybody because the Arab mind says 'We love children and we protect women.' I'm sure nothing will ever happen to them,'' Reed said.

The former hostage said he would embark on a lecture tour to speak about his ordeal and to lobby for the release of the 13 Westerners still held in Lebanon. He said eight publishers are competing with offers for a book on his experience and ''there's talk'' about a movie.

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AMMAN, Jordan (SEPT. 1) UPI - The government unveiled Saturday an unprecedented austerity program to reduce subsidies for three basic commodities through rationing in a move to ease Jordan's financial problems and to combat food hoarding during the Persian Gulf crisis.

Supply Minister Ibrahim Ayoub denied the measure was forced by the impact on Jordan of U.N. trade sanctions imposed on Iraq, the kingdom's main trading partner, and said the program had been planned before the gulf crisis arose.

''Although we have been planning this measure for six months, it will be even more feasible now with the current gulf situation,'' Ayoub told a press conference.

He said the move will save the government a ''large amount of money,'' but did not disclose how much. He said that his ministry will evaluate the results in four months and ''take new steps according to our findings.'' He did not elaborate.

Under the plan, which went into immediate effect, the amounts of rice, sugar and powdered milk sold at subsidized rates will be limited.

To purchase the subsidized goods, residents will have to show ration cards and coupons, which are being distributed at municipal offices, Ministry of Supply buildings and public schools.

The rationed amounts are severe, with every member of a family restricted to purchasing 1.5 kilograms of rice and sugar each month and 1 kilogram of powdered milk every six months, Ayoub said.

The commodities, however, will be available in unlimited quanities at double the rationed prices, he said.

The plan is being implemented to comply with an International Monetary Fund program aimed helping Jordan repay an $8.2 billion foreign debt accumulated as a result of large loans. Some portion of the loans reportedly were siphoned away from public use into private pockets.

The financial problems of the nation of 3.5 million people have mounted because of the trade embargo on Iraq, which the government estimates will cost Jordan more than $3 billion over a year.

The rationing move had been expected for some time, but the government had been reluctant to implement it because of fears of popular unrest. Economic problems led to riots in 1988.

However, King Hussein's opposition to foreign military intervention in the gulf crisis has generated unprecedented support for his administration, easing fears of a backlash, political analysts said.

Ayoub said that the rationing program would also cut down on hoarding by the affluent, which increased with fears that a war would erupt in the Middle East.

According to the minister, Jordanians have bought double the normal monthly consumption of rice and sugar since Iraq invated Kuwait Aug 2. He would not disclose the amount of monthly consumption.

''This decision simply came to organize the distribution of these commodities and it was pure coincidence that the ration cards and coupons were ready during such a time,'' the minister added.

The program, however, is expected to affect the donation of food, particularly milk, that is being given by ordinary citizens to the thousands of Asian and Arab refugees arriving from Kuwait and Iraq, as well as charity shipments sent to Iraq.

The minister said the government would not raise the price of bread, which is priced and subsidized by the government. Some sugar is used in the dough of flat Arabic bread.

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BONN, West Germany (SEPT. 1) UPI - The opposition Social Democratic Party Saturday called for drastic military cuts in Germany and demanded that NATO give up its strategy of forward defense, flexible response and first use of atomic weapons.

In a ''government program'' that will form the basis for the SPD's electoral campaign leading to Dec. 2 all-German elections, the party called for the ''ecological transformation of the industrial society'', the economic rehabilitation of East Germany and a better living conditions for all Germans.

The program, presented in Bonn Saturday, demands the halving of German forces, which now include 480,000 West German troops and about 98,000 East German troops.

''As there is no relationship of conflict anymore between Eastern and Western Europe, drastic disarmament is called for,'' the party said.

The SPD also demanded an end to all low-level training flights over West German territory by West German and NATO military aircraft.

''We want the gradual removal of nuclear deterrence, and demand - instead of cosmetic corrections - the immediate renunciation of the strategy of forward defense, flexible response and of first use of nuclear weapons.''

The SPD is the main German opposition party. The East and the West German Social Democratic parties are due to unite in late September.

The East and West German branches of the Christian Democratic Union, chaired respectively by Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere and Chancellor Helmut Kohl, are also due to merge a few days before Oct. 3 unification.

The SPD said that ''German unification offers major chances for the improvement of people's living conditions.''

''But first one has to ensure that the East German economy finds its way

out of the crisis in which it was plunged through Kohl's wrong policies.''

The left-of-center party said that an SPD government would take immediate measures to create new jobs in East Germany, which has registered spiraling unemployment levels in recent months.

It said it would encourage private investment in labor-intensive areas and in environmental protection sectors.

''The ecological transformation of the industrial society is at the center of our concept,'' the party said in its program.

The Social Democrats also said they wanted a new abortion law which both ''protects the unborn life and emphasizes the self-determination of women.''

After tough negotiations with Kohl, SPD leaders agreed late Thursday night on an interim law for a united Germany under which abortion will remain legal in East Germany and generally illegal in West Germany.

The agreement, included in the final bilateral unification treaty signed Friday, states that an all-German parliament will have to pass new legislation within two years.

The CDU, under pressure from its more conservative and largely Catholic sister-party, the Bavaria-based Christian Social Union, wants the West German law to prevail throughout Germany.

The SPD has long insisted on more liberal legislation.

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GAINESVILLE, Fla. (SEPT. 1) UPI - A University of Florida freshman jailed for allegedly beating his grandmother is a ''valuable'' suspect in the killings of five college students, but there were several other potential suspects and investigators were not close to making an arrest, police said Satruday.

Edward Lewis Humphrey, 18, who was arrested Thursday on assault charges and being held on $1 million bond, is ''extremely valuable to us as a suspect,'' said Gainesville police Lt. Sadie Darnell. But other suspects were being investigated with equal or greater vigor, she said.

''The larger share of our resources is devoted to receiving and processing information on additional suspects,'' Darnell said. ''To me, it's frightening that there are so many candidates out there who could be considered candidates for a crime of this caliber.''

Gainesville authorities initially refused to confirm that Humphrey was a suspect. But police said Friday he was being questioned and was one of several suspects being given equal attention.

''We're still not on to one individual,'' Darnell said. ''We're not looking at one person or even close to an arrest.''

Investigators also wanted to question Warren Tinch, 58, who is wanted by the FBI in connection with the stabbing death and mutilation of a 52-year-old Ohio woman.

On Friday, FBI agents carried pictures of Tinch to an Ocala, Fla., car dealership, where five employees identified him as the man who posed as a doctor and stole a van 16 days ago.

Also Friday, police barricaded the Hawaiian Village Apartments in Gainesville, where Humphrey lives, searched garbage bins for evidence and refused to allow anyone but residents to come and go.

Darnell said Saturday authorities had not obtained a search warrant for Humphrey's apartment, but investigators had talked to his brother, George, who also lives in Gainesville. She did not say what information was obtained.

Edward Humphrey was charged with aggravated battery against an elderly person for allegedly beating his grandmother Thursday at her home in Indialantic, a town about 150 miles southeast of Gainesville near Cape Canaveral.

Humphrey was being held on $1 million bond in the Brevard County detention center in Sharpes. He originally was ordered held on $10,250 bond, but that was increased to $1 million Thursday night on the telephone order of Circuit Judge Dean Moxley, sheriff's records showed.

''There wouldn't be a $1 million bond if he were not a suspect in the Gainesville homicides,'' said Randy Moore, a Brevard County public defender.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 1) UPI - Military analysts say it is unlikely a U.S.-Iraqi conflict could start by accident but believe both sides are prepared to turn a minor incident into a provocation that would warrant a fight.

''It will be no accident. You can rule that one out,'' said Bill Taylor, vice president for international security programs at the Center for

Strategic and International Studies.

''The chance of an inadvertent war is slim,'' added Jay Kosminsky, deputy director of defense policy at the Heritage Foundation.

What is more likely, should the situation in the Persian Gulf region turn into a shooting match, is the deliberate manipulation by one side or the other of an incident that appears sufficient to require a military response.

While the various scenarios range from a U.S. attack in the event of harm to Western hostages to such things as trying to lure a flight of Iraqi warplanes into a fight, analysts agree Iraqi President Saddam Hussein cannot win but also note the obvious - there will be U.S. casualties.

Iraq has a 1 million-man army, and the crack Republican Guards that invaded Kuwait have been pulled back to Iraq, most likely to defend the homeland in the event U.S. M-1 tanks roll forward into Kuwait or around to the west up toward Baghdad. Lesser-trained forces from the Iranian border have moved in to replace them.

The United States has dispatched between 60,000 and 70,000 ground troops and an armada of aircraft carriers, a battleship and a variety of combatants for what has been described as a defensive effort to protect Saudi Arabia from any Iraqi offensive.

But also weighing heavily on the minds of U.S. commanders, analysts say, is their desire to be allowed to prosecute any military action fully and not be hamstrung by politicians as was the case in the Vietnam War. That, the analysts observe, is evidenced by the massive firepower being poured into the area and the crack units being sent in.

''I think we are kind of spoiling for a fight,'' said retired Rear Adm. Gene LaRocque, director of the Center For Defense Information. ''A lieutenant general said they were not looking to this to be a political solution. My feeling is this is the Vietnam syndrome in reverse.''

''This time we have a president who takes his role as commander in chief very seriously but is giving the military its head,'' said LaRocque. ''... We want to win one for a change.''

Taylor, a retired Army colonel, noted that the question of political will arises the longer the situation continues and U.S. troops are told to take up positions in a burning desert, up to 10,000 miles from home, without the usual recreational amenities - beer and women - available.

And beyond that is the question of political support the minute fighting starts. Any battle in Southwest Asia will make recent U.S. military

episodes - Beirut, Grenada, Libya and Panama - look like walks in the park.

''All the research tells me if you can go in fast and get the job done (quickly), regardless of body bags and hostages, the American people will understand the objective and see the rapid progress. They'll put up with body bags and hostages, but if you let this thing drag out the American public falls off this in a hurry,'' Taylor said.

Kosminsky said both sides are likely to have the opportunity to turn an incident into a provocation sufficient to launch a full-bore battle, if only to rally political support.

For instance, if Saddam were feeling the pinch from a populace squeezed by the embargo, a battle could rally Iraqi public opinion. For President Bush a long-term stay in Saudi Arabia in the face of waning public support and a national economy sliding into an oil-driven recession could be the trigger for a support-boosting battle.

''If one or the other or both are looking for a fight, there is going to be plenty of opportunity and plenty of potential pretext,'' Kosminsky said. ''... If there's a war it's going to be deliberate by one side or the other.

''I think we would look for a provocation or pretext before we moved,'' Kosminsky said.

History is full of provocations and pretexts. A reported attack on U.S. ships in the Gulf of Tonkin - an attack which some believe never took place - was used by President Lyndon B. Johnson as the trigger to draw the United States deeper into Vietnam.

History also is replete with military actions that had little impact other than their ability to rally public opinion. The failed effort a decade ago to rescue U.S. hostages in Iran was such an attempt.

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(SEPT. 1) UPI - U-N Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar will hold a second meeting today in Jordan with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. The two men met for five hours yesterday... but both downplayed hopes of an immediate diplomatic resolution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Reports from Iraq say foreign women and children will go free today. They reportedly are being assembled for departure at a Baghdad hotel.

Authorities in Florida set a one-Million-dollar bond for a man who's a suspect in the serial killings of five college students. The bond was set on charges that 18-year-old Edward Humphrey allegedly beat his

grandmother. Police say Humphrey is one of several suspects in the Gainesville area killings. He briefly lived in an apartment complex where two of the victims were found.

Black leaders are joining the mayor of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in calling for racial harmony as young blacks begin to trickle in for this year's Labor Day party. On Labor Day weekend last year, almost 100-thousand mostly black young people gathered in Virginia Beach for an annual beach party. But violence erupted along the resort strip, leading to clashes with police.

President Gorbachev says the Soviet Union is ''running out of time'' to reform its economy. The Soviet Union faces serious shortages of everything from medicine to cigarettes... and protests and riots are erupting around the country to demand more consumer goods. Gorbachev called for urgent stabilization measures to prepare for a rapid move to a market system.

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(SEPT. 1) UPI - Yesterday in Berlin, East and West Germany signed their final unification treaty and formal approval of the plan to merge on October 3rd. The treaty is still subject to ratification by the two German Parliaments. As he signed the treaty, West Germany's Interior Minister said... ''Today is a day of joy and confidence for all Germans.'' Berlin will be the capital of the united Germany.

Israeli immigration officials say more than 16-thousand Soviet Jews arrived in Israel during August. That's the largest number of Soviet newcomers in one month since 1951. The Jewish Agency expects about 20-thousand immigrants to arrive from the Soviet Union in September... and it's trying to increase the number by finding more transit routes.

As football players of all ages gear up for another season... federal health officials in Atlanta warn that using the helmet to help block and tackle opponents increases the risk of permanent spinal injury. The Centers for Disease Control recommends that coaches remind players about proper tackling techniques and enforce the existing tackling rules.

If your child is glued to a Nintendo or Sega game... take heart. If you can't beat them, soon you'll be able to enjoy games that are specifically for users over 18 years old. Nintendo plans to kick off a 15-Million-dollar ad campaign to support its hand-held Game Boy machine. Game Boy has proven popular among business executives and other adults since it was introduced last year.

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(SEPT. 1) UPI - .Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz says foreign women and children are in a downtown Baghdad hotel waiting to leave. British officials say the first group is expected to leave today. Aziz said all foreigners can leave if Iraq gets guarantees the international force in the gulf area will NOT attack Iraq.

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The foreign ministers of the Arab League have renewed a call for Iraq to pull its troops out of Kuwait. They also demanded Iraq let all foreigners leave. The demands were in a resolution passed in an Arab League meeting in Cairo.

If a quick fix using a rigged cable works, the countdown for the shuttle Columbia can resume tomorrow and launch can be re-set for Wednesday. But an electronic unit might need replacement. That would mean a longer delay.

The California Legislature this morning killed a plan to advance the 1992 presidential primary from June to March. The earlier date would have given California more muscle in selecting the nominees.

Pope John Paul left Rome today on an 11-day trip to four African nations. His first stop is Tanzania. The pope wants to draw attention to poverty in Africa. It's his seventh trip to the African continent.

President Mikhail Gorbachev says stabilization measures are needed before the Soviet Union moves to a market system. The stabilization program must combat shortages and calm fears of massive inflation.

Lech Walesa, founder of Poland's Solidarity, says communists still in government jobs should be fired. He spoke yesterday on Solidarity's 10th anniversary.

Israeli officials report an increase in Soviet Jewish immigrants last month. 16-thousand Soviet Jews arrived in August. That's the largest number of immigrants from the Soviet Union in any month since 1951.

Police in Gainesville, Florida, have sealed off an apartment where a suspect in five killings lived. They sifted through garbage bins for evidence and allowed only residents in and out.

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(SEPT. 1) UPI - Young blacks have started arriving in Virginia Beach, Virginia, for a traditional Labor Day weekend. Last year's college student bash led to riots. This year only 39 percent of the resort's hotel rooms

have been booked.

25-hundred fans showed up yesterday in Dallas for memorial services for blues guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughan. Vaughan was killed Monday in a helicopter crash in Wisconsin.

New York police are searching for a retired prison guard for questioning in the killing of former state Senator Vander Beatty. A newspaper says the guard beat up a lawyer he hired on Beatty's advice. Beatty was shot 45 minutes later.

China's two-Million college students began their new school year today, and authorities are getting more strict. Opportunities for graduate or overseas study have been limited by Chinese authorities.

Philippines officials say a boy drowned and another was electrocuted today in a flooded town because of rains caused by typhoon Abe. The two deaths bring the week's toll from the typhoon to 87.

The Navy says it will name a new destroyer the U-S-S Stethem. It will honor Petty Officer Robert Stethem- the Navy diver killed by terrorists who hijacked a T-W-A airliner in 1985.

Wildlife officials say whales and dolphins have followed schooling fish into Long Island Sound. They urged holiday boaters to stay away to avoid harming the animals.

Police in San Francisco's Bay Area are looking for a man they say posed as Bob Weir of the Grateful Dead to freeload off rock fans. They say the suspect, Randall Delpiano, had served a jail term for a previous impersonation.

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#90244u0710 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine (SEPT. 1) UPI - President Bush announced Saturday that he will meet with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in Finland on Sept. 9 to discuss an array of issues, including the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

Bush told reporters that Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze ''have been working out the details of this meeting over the last few days, and we got the word this morning that an announcement at this time would be agreeable to the Soviets.''

''There is no special agenda relating to the Middle East. Nobody's doing any negotiating or anything of that nature. When President Gorbachev was here he and I agreed it would be useful to have periodic meetings without

casting them in the vein of a summit, and that's exactly what that meeting's about,'' Bush said.

''I will be delighted to see him again, and we have many subjects to discuss,'' Bush said.

A simultaneous announcement of the Helsinki meeting was made on Soviet television in Moscow. The meeting will focus on ''bilateral and international issues,'' the announcement said.

Bush, vacationing at his summer home in Maine, said he approached Gorbachev more than a week ago about setting up the meeting.

Since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, Bush has spoken with more than two dozen foreign leaders, although Gorbachev had not been among them as of Saturday morning.

''I think it is important at this juncture that we discuss issues not just as they relate to Europe and try to update where we stand on these arms negotiations, but also to discuss the Middle East,'' Bush said.

Bush dismissed suggestions that the Soviet Union, an old ally of Iraq, may play a mediating role in resolving the crisis.

''I don't see a mediating role at all, and I don't think the Soviets see themselves as having a mediating role,'' Bush said.

Earlier in the day, national security adviser Brent Scowcroft told reporters that ''a lot has happened'' since Bush and Gorbachev met three months ago in Washington and that ''there's no lack of things for the two to talk about,'' including the gulf crisis, a proposed U.N.- sponsored settlement of the Cambodian civil war and U.S.-Soviet efforts to find a political solution to the conflict in Afghanistan.

The meeting comes in the midst of a swirl of diplomatic activity that has done little to raise American hopes of finding a political way out of the confrontation with Iraq, which now has the United States, the Soviet Union and some 20 other countries with military forces in and near the Persian Gulf.

Bush has taken pains to praise the Soviets for supporting the U.S.- led drive in the United Nations to isolate Iraq through a virtual trade embargo, including a cutoff of oil exports. At the same time, the Soviets have expressed concern about the huge American military buildup in the region.

Bush emphasized repeatedly that the meeting will not focus solely on the gulf crisis.

''It is my view that it's just important that we have good, free- flowing discussions about this, so it wasn't driven about any worry that we might be apart, rather that there's a wide array of questions that could use consultations at this time,'' Bush said.

The international outrage over the Iraqi takeover of Kuwait has aligned the United States and the Soviet Union in ways not seen during more than four decades of superpower rivalry. It has at once offered a vivid display of the dangers that will remain in the post-Cold War era and a glimpse of what Bush described only Thursday as a ''new world order.''

''We both agreed up at Camp David that this kind of informal, unstructured format might be very good in a world where there's so many changes. And so it's a good chance to test that now,'' Bush said.

He said Gorbachev is ''very enthusiastic'' about the meeting. Barbara Bush and Raisa Gorbachev are expected to accompany their husbands to the meeting.

Regarding Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's piecemeal approach to releasing hostages in Iraq and Kuwait, Bush said, ''I don't like it. I don't think the world likes it. I'm glad when any American comes out of there, but there's a certain brutality, a certain tawdry performance, in all of this.''

Bush said he had talked to many world leaders who agreed ''this is just a despicable performance.''

But he would not say how long he would tolerate Saddam's holding Americans against their will.

''I don't deal in deadlines,'' Bush said.

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(SEPT. 1) UPI - A second day of talks has begun in Jordan between U-N Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. The two diplomats are looking for a solution to the crisis ignited by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. The two men have a close working relationship from the eight-year Iran-Iraq war.

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In Paris, France says it has granted permission for an Iraqi plane carrying Western hostages to land in Paris. Iraq had indicated earlier that a Boeing 747 would be carrying 237 women and children as well as six

Americans allowed to leave Iraq because of illness.

Police in New York City say 10 people were injured when an irate patron opened fire early today on patrons leaving a Brooklyn dance club. Police say the gunman had been denied entry into the night spot and he returned with three friends and opened fire. The suspect is still at large.

The Labor Day weekend... the unofficial end of summer... is off to a good start with clear skies reported across much of the nation. But scattered early morning showers and thunderstorms developed over the panhandle area of Florida. Thunderstorms are forecast later today for parts of western New York.

NASA engineers are hoping for a Wednesday launch of the shuttle Columbia. The shuttle was scheduled to lift off today... but the launch was delayed after an on-board telescope malfunctioned. NASA technicians will attempt electronic bypass surgery to fix one of the telescopes making up the shuttle's payload.

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(SEPT. 1) UPI - Police in Florida say 18-year-old Edward Humphrey is ''extremely valuable'' as a suspect in their investigation of the the serial killings of five college students. Humphrey is being held on a one-Million-dollar bond, charged in a separate case with beating his grandmother. He's one of several suspects in the serial killings.

Pope John Paul is on his way to the East African republic of Tanzania to start an 11-day tour of four African countries. It's the pope's seventh tour of Africa since his election in October 1978. His primary goal is to draw world attention to the plight of poverty-ridden African republics.

In the Philippines, President Aquino's advisers opened consultations today with groups proposing peace talks with rebel leaders from both the left and the right. The military says 23 communist guerrillas and five soldiers were killed yesterday in two separate encounters in a southern island.

President Gorbachev says the Soviet Union will try to take advantage of higher world oil prices by expanding its oil exports during the Persian Gulf crisis. Gorbachev says the Soviet Union needs the hard currency... but he did NOT specify how it would be possible for Moscow to increase exports.

The Navy says it will name a new guided-missile destroyer the U-S-S Stethem in honor of 23-year-old Navy diver Robert Stethem. He was shot and killed by terrorists in Beirut during the 1985 hijacking of a T-W-A airliner. It's one of four new ships authorized in the current building

program.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 1) UPI - The long-planned, once-postponed U.S.-Israeli attempt to revive the Middle East peace talks has been curtailed by the need to deal with the Persian Gulf crisis.

Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy, scheduled to meet with Secretary of State James Baker Tuesday and Wednesday, has been informed by the State Department ''with regret,'' that Baker's schedule will only permit him to meet on Wednesday with Levy.

The talks had originally been scheduled for Aug. 9-10, but they had to be postponed because Levy was recovering from what has been described as a mild heart attack. The talks were to have lasted two days in Washington, but one day was dropped from the schedule because of the gulf crisis.

Baker has been drafted by President Bush to travel to Western Europe and the Persian Gulf to round up financial support for the burdens on the United States and other countries in their response to the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Levy, a hard-line Likud member who does not speak English, had been invited to Washington in the early summer to see if there was any chance of reviving the moribund negotiations for establishing ground rules for negotiations between Palestinian representatives and the Israeli government.

Then Levy had a heart attack. Baker had showed impatience with the Israeli government, which had delayed negotiations for nearly a year because of an internal political crisis, and suggested sardonically in June that if Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir were serious about beginning negotiations, he should call President Bush.

Since then, Congress has deducted $2.8 million from the $3 billion in U.S. economic and military assistance to Israel. The relatively minor cut was meant as a signal to Israel of lessening support from pro- Israeli members of Congress, since it is the exact amount that Levy, when he was minister of housing, covertly supplied to a group of Jewish settlers to take over a building near the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in East Jerusalem.

The takeover of the hospice in East Jerusalem was later annulled by the Israeli Supreme Court.

Although the Israeli government opposed it, the Defense Department informed Congress last week of its intention to sell Saudi Arabia $2.3

billion in emergency defense equipment, including F-15 fighters and Stinger anti-aircraft missiles. The administration said further sales will be announced. The Saudis are part of the multi-national force opposing Iraqi expansion.

Baker also said in June that the administration would oppose a $400 million housing loan guarantee for new Soviet immigrants until the Israeli government promised that the money would not be spent on new settlements in territories occupied since 1967, including East Jerusalem.

Shamir said last week that he promised the United States that no Soviet immigrants are being settled in occupied territory and expressed annoyance in interviews in Israeli newspapers, that there was no recognition by the United States of the Israeli promises.

There was no direct response, but the United States and Israel disagree on what constitutes ''occupied territory.'' The United States includes East Jerusalem. The Israeli government, which annexed greater Jerusalem in 1967 does not.

Baker, who flew to Houston during the Labor Day weekend to help celebrate the birthday of his 96-year-old mother, has been preoccupied with the gulf crisis since he cut short a Wyoming vacation to return to Washington.

According to Israeli sources, the United States has asked Israel to maintain a low profile in the delicate process of trying to forge an alliance of many nations, including Arabs, to oppose the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Shamir expressed support for the U.S. strategy in the crisis, and said this week, ''Israel has no offensive plans regarding any Arab country, be it even the most extremist. We want to live in peace in this region and unless attacked we will not harm anyone.''

However, Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens has said that any movement of Iraqi forces into Jordan would be regarded as a cause for war by Israel.

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MANILA, Philippines (SEPT. 1) UPI - Monsoon rains triggered flooding Saturday in the Philippine capital and surrounding areas, killing 12 people, sending thousands to safer ground and disrupting domestic air services.

The Manila weather bureau said typhoon Abe, which hammered Taiwan and was railing at China, and a low pressure area in the Pacific Ocean together pushed the rain-laden monsoon over the Philippine island of Luzon.

Police and relief officials said six people drowned in suburban Quezon City, two in neighboring San Juan town, two in Bocaue, and two in Manila.

The military Office of Civil Defense and the Social Welfare Department said 68,000 people were evacuated in the capital at the height of the flood.

OCD said typhoon-related landslides earlier in the week in the provinces of Benguet, Nueva Viscaya and Nueva Ecija north of Manila left 32 people dead. The Red Cross toll was 85 dead.

It was the second time in eight days severe flooding hit Luzon. On Aug. 24 floods raged through the capital, killing 13 people.

Wide areas of the capital were flooded Saturday, prompting Philippine Airlines to suspend domestic air services in the afternoon. International flights remained normal. Schools were ordered closed.

The U.S.-run television Far East Network also reported severe flooding at the American air base at Clark Field, where more than 8 inches of rainfall was recorded.

Bulacan province Gov. Roberto Pagdanganan said the towns of Bocaue, Malolos and Calumpit were under water, in some areas water was ''neck deep.'' He said 25 houses were destroyed in Bocaue, sending 120 people to evacuation centers.

Bocaue Mayor Lorenzo Gonzales said hundreds more were marooned in rice fields or on rooftops. He pleaded with authorities in Manila to send amphibian tanks to rescue them.

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#90244u0816 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 1) UPI - There's possible movement finally in getting foreign women and children out of Iraq. France says an Iraqi plane carrying Western hostages apparently will leave Iraq today, and France has given permission for the plane to land in Paris. Iraq indicated earlier the Boeing 747 would carry 237 women and children and six Americans being allowed to leave because they are sick. A French Foreign Ministry spokesman also says Iraq agreed ''in principle'' to let in a French plane to pick up additional hostages.

10 people were shot and injured this morning at a dance club in Brooklyn. Police speculate a man who may have had a disagreement with club workers returned with some friends and fired into a crowd outside the club. Police say none of the injuries are life-threatening. The shooting took place at

a club called the Dynasty in Brooklyn's Flatbush neighborhood. NO arrests have been made.

Vermont prosecutors want AIDS tests for an accused child molester who said he might have infected his victims with AIDS. The suspect, Norman Powers, was arrested Thursday in Salem, Oregon. After his arrest, he denied he had AIDS. But a Vermont prosecutor says if Powers does NOT volunteer for an AIDS test, authorities will ask for a court order forcing him to have one.

An 18-year-old college freshman considered a suspect in the five Gainesville, Florida, killings made his first court appearance yesterday, his hands and feet shackled. Edward Humphrey appeared on a charge of allegedly beating his grandmother. Police say he is only one of several suspects in the Gainesville killings, but they have NOT identified any others.

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(SEPT. 1) UPI - New York Knicks player Patrick Ewing leads a parade in Virginia Beach, Virginia, today. It's one of the activities planned to keep an annual celebration by black college students peaceful. Last year, violence erupted during the Labor Day weekend and police clashed with students. Attendance is down this year. Other cities in the East are having similar celebrations that might keep people from visiting Virginia Beach.

A campaign manager for a Massachusetts congressional candidate issued a release Thursday saying regulators planned to close the Bank of New England. The release was later corrected and the manager resigned. But Banking Commissioner Howard Brown of neighboring Connecticut wants to bring criminal charges. The bank's stock fell to an all-time low after the release by the campaign of Democratic candidate Ted Dimauro.

Plans to build a large Islamic religious center in Lyon, France, are in jeopardy because of the Persian Gulf crisis. A spokesman for the mosque project says Arab nations that were to provide most of the money are preoccupied with the conflict. Kuwait and Saudi Arabia are among them. Islam, with two and one-half Million French followers, is France's second largest religion.

A woman walked into a Chicago police station and told an incredible tale. Police say Sheila Jones told them she and her husband killed her two children in 1986. The children were a two-year-old boy and a one- year-old girl. Then they put the bodies in their car trunk for about a year before transferring them to a steamer trunk. Eventually the trunk smelled so bad they bought a new one. Police have charged the couple with murder and concealing the deaths.

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(SEPT. 2) UPI - Sports Digest:

AUTO SPORTS

Australian Mick Doohan Saturday powered his 500cc Honda into the pole position for the inaugural Hungarian Motorcycle Grand Prix. Doohan, consistently faster in each of the four practice sessions, clocked 1 minute, 43.971 seconds. Americans Eddie Lawson, on a Yamaha, and Kevin Schwantz, riding a Suzuki, were second and third.

COLLEGE

Richard "Itchy" Jones, long-time Southern Illinois University baseball coach, is leaving to coach University of Illinois. Jones, credited with building the Salukis into a perennial national contender with College World Series appearances in 1971, 74 and 77, has helped produce 13 major leaguers, including current Toronto Blue Jays pitcher Dave Stieb.

Some members of the Marquette men's basketball team have been declared ineligible for NCAA rule violations, Athletic Director Bill Cords said. Cords said in a release the violation stemmed from an "administrative error that involved student campus parking permits for some members of the team living on campus."

No further details were released and the number of players involved and their identities were not being released. Cords said an appeal has also been filed for the reinstatement of the players.

CYCLING

Mirko Gualdi rode nearly 45 miles alone Saturday to win the men's amateur road race title and give Italy its third victory at the World Cycling Championships at Utsunomiya, Japan. Gualdi, 22, completed the 108-mile, 12-lap course in 4 hours, 39 minutes and 17 seconds.

Compatriot Roberto Caruso was second and France's Jean-Phillipe Dojwa third. Lance Armstrong, 18 and competing in his first world championships, was the leading U.S. finisher in 11th place.

OBITUARY

Clifton "Sweetwater" Nathaniel, an early member of the Harlem Globetrotters who became one of the first black stars in pro basketball, was found dead in his cab Friday. He was 63. An unidentified man who was in the cab told

police Nathaniel was about to pull away from the curb, took a deep breath and passed out. Better known as "Sweetwater" Clifton, Nathaniel, was one of the first black players to star in the then-fledgling NBA.

TRACK

The French men's 4 x 100 meter relay team of Max Mornier, Daniel Sangouma, Jean Charles Trouabal and Bruno Marie Rose set a world record of 37.79 seconds in winning the gold medal at the European Track and Field Championships in Split, Yugoslavia.

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(SEPT. 1) UPI - A ''quick fix'' electronic by-pass operation failed to fix the problem with a telescope aboard the shuttle Columbia, forcing engineers to replace a faulty component. The replacement will push the already delayed astronomy mission launch back to the end of next week. The launch had been scheduled for early today but was pushed back to Wednesday because of the trouble. Now, officials say it probably will NOT come before Friday.

French officials say they have given permission for an Iraqi jetliner carrying Western hostages to land in Paris. A Foreign Ministry spokesman in Paris says officials were told the plane would carry a number of Western women and children, including 20 French citizens. Earlier, Iraq had indicated that the Boeing 747 would be carrying 237 women and children and six Americans who were being allowed to leave Iraq because of illness. The French spokesman says Iraq has agreed ''in principle'' to allow a French plane to land in Baghdad to pick up more civilians.

Arab League foreign ministers meeting in Cairo, Egypt, renewed a demand today that Iraq immediately withdraw its forces from Kuwait. At the end of an extraordinary two-day meeting, the League introduced a new element to its resolution... a call for the payment of reparations to Kuwait for damages caused by the Iraqi invasion. Eight Arab League members- including Iraq, Jordan and the Palestine Liberation Organization- declined to attend the meeting.

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#90244u0898 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 1) UPI - Police in New York City say an irate dance club patron opened fire on a crowd in front of the Brooklyn night spot early today, wounding 10 people. Police say a preliminary investigation indicated that the gunman may have had a disagreement with club personnel and then returned with several friends. They say shots were fired into the crowd in the front of the club, wounding four men and six women. They say none of

the wounds was life-threatening. NO immediate arrests were reported.

The California State Assembly today effectively killed a proposal to dramatically alter the 1992 presidential primary election season by shifting the state's contest from June to March. The move to give the nation's most populous state a greater role in determining the major-party presidential nominees fell victim to partisan bickering over the state issue of citizen ballot initiatives.

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#90244u0940 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (SEPT. 1) UPI - Prince Charles was resting comfortably Saturday following three hours of surgery to repair a bone in his right arm that has not healed since he broke it in a fall from his polo horse two months ago, a hospital official said.

''The prince of Wales' condition is excellent,'' said Nigel Clifton, general manager of Queen's Medical Center in Nottingham. ''I am told that he is already moving his arm. He will experience some pain, but the pain is under control.''

Charles was expected to stay in a prhvate wing of the hospital for up to 10 days, a hospital spokeswoman said.

The prince's arm has been in a plaster cast since June 23 when he fell off a horse during a polo match. His upper arm bone was broken in two places, and the fracture nearer the elbow joint has failed to heal.

In a three-hour operation, a metal plate was permanently placed on the humerus to stabilize the bone while a graft taken from the pelvis and placed around the fracture works to promote healing, doctors said.

Doctors said a great deal of his recovery would depend on physiotherapy, and Charles may be left with a permanent restriction in the use of his elbow.

Despite being one of the richest men in Britain, the prince has insisted on being treated on the National Health System, rather than as a private patient. Certain amenities have been granted him, however.

A previously closed ward was reopened to accommodate the prince and his staff, which includes a chef. The prince is in a newly refurbished private room off the main ward.

All the prince's public engagements, including a planned official visit to Brazil in October with his wife, Diana, are off until his arm is fully recovered.

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#90244u0951 09/01/1990 ~United Press International
SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (SEPT. 1) UPI - Col. Rene Emilio Ponce took up the post of defense minister Saturday, replacing Gen. Rafael Humberto Larios who retired last month to become head of a newly founded military college.

''Col. Ponce has been named the new defense minister,'' the armed forces said in a statement.

Ponce, considered a moderate within the right-wing Salvadoran military and favored by the U.S. Embassy, assumes the important post at a time when the military is besieged with demands for internal reform.

His promotion came despite assertions by political analysts and some diplomats that it would be preferable to clear up army involvement in the slayings last Nov. 16 of six Jesuit priests before naming a new minister.

Col. Guillermo Benavides has been charged with ordering the killings, but Supreme Court Justice Mauricio Gutierrez Castro said Friday the court must investigate the possibility that the decision involved others higher up in the army.

Gutierrez said the judge handling the case will call on all those who attended a meeting of the military high command held hours before the operation to kill the priests was launched.

A number of the soldiers charged with murder in the case said they were also present during a search of the priests' residence at the University of Central America that was approved by President Alfredo Cristiani and the army chiefs of staff three days before the killings.

Cristiani acknowledged he approved the search after the government received reports of guerrillas on the campus at the height of a major rebel offensive, but stressed that the killings were different altogether.

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#90244u0953 09/01/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 1) UPI - Iraq says six ailing Americans will be among the dozens of foreign women and children allowed to leave on flights departing Baghdad today. The release of the half-dozen Americans apparently came at the urging of former presidential contender Jesse Jackson, in Baghdad for a meeting with Saddam Hussein.

Iraq's Foreign Ministry revealed the release of the six Americans in

Kuwait in a surprise announcement today. It was at first believed that the Americans were men... but by mid-day it was unclear whether the Americans are men or women. An Iraqi government source describes the decision as a ''humanitarian'' one made- quote- ''because they are ill.''

NASA engineers are replacing a faulty component aboard the shuttle Columbia today in work that will delay the ship's launch until late next week. The 10-day astronomy mission has already been postponed... with the space agency at one point planning to launch the ship early today.

In Bonn today, the opposition Social Democratic Party called for drastic military cuts in Germany as well as major changes in NATO strategy. The party says there is NO reason not to take drastic steps toward disarmament since there is NO conflict anymore between Eastern and Western Europe.

Former hostage Frank Reed says he is concerned that the attention on foreigners held in Iraq and Kuwait will detract from efforts to free Westerners in Lebanon. Reed says the spotlight on the plight of those caught in the Persian Gulf crisis- in his words- ''just pushes the other hostages further and further away.''

The federal Centers for Disease Control says it will NO longer breed monkeys after an outcry by animal rights activists over the deaths of 14 monkeys. The animals died in their cages last month at a facility in Lawrenceville, Georgia, during a heat wave that had the mercury climbing near 100 degrees.

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#90244u1019 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

GENEVA (SEPT. 2) UPI - Hikes in air fares of between five and eight percent will not take effect before mid-October at the earliest because computers worldwide muat be re-programmed, the International Air Transport Association said Saturday. The same condition will hold true for cargo increases of seven percent, IATA officials said.

The price increases were agrees at a three-day meeting of executives of 56 of the world's leading airlines and announced in the early hours of Saturday. The airlines themselves had called or IATA to coordinate a fare and freight rise in the wake of rising fuel prices occasioned by the Middle East crisis, IATA spokesman John Brindley said.

Intra-European fares will go up by five percent but most trans-continental fares will increase by seven percent, with those to and from the United States rising between seven and eight percent. Rates to and from Japan have yet to be decided.

Flights to and from Venezuela, a member of OPEC and a leading supplier of

aviation fuel, will rise by only three percent. Airline sourcs said special dispensations were given on fares to and from Saudi Arabia, Iran, and Yemen.

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#90244u1102 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 1) UPI - .

Iraq says six ill Americans in occupied Kuwait will be among the Westerners allowed to board planes departing with dozens of foreign women and children today. The decision to release the sick Americans apparently came at the request of Jesse Jackson. Iraq's foreign ministry says the American politician flew to Kuwait aboard an Iraqi airplane to accompany the six back to Baghdad.

The shuttle Columbia will NOT be getting off the ground in the next few days. NASA engineers tried and failed in efforts to fix a telescope aboard the ship, with the necessary repairs expected to delay launch until late next week. The space agency at first hoped the ship would takeoff on a 10-day astronomy mission today... but instead repair work is under way at Cape Canaveral.

Police in Gainesville, Florida, say they are NOT close to making an arrest in the killings of five college students. Police say investigators are looking at several potential suspects, inlcuding a University of Florida freshman jailed on charges of beating his grandmother. A spokeswoman says it is ''frightening'' that there are so many possible suspects for such a heinous crime.

Colombia is changing its tactics somewhat in fighting the nation's cocaine traffickers. Top administration officials say President Cesar Gaviria has halted the wholesale extradition of suspected traffickers to the United States. The officials say extraditions will NO longer be automatic, saying the government that took office on August 7th will stop most extraditions.

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#90244u1148 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

SOFIA, BULGARIA (SEPT. 2) UPI - Residents of the Bulgarian capital formed long lines outside grocery stores with food ration coupons in hand Saturday to redeem limited amounts of sugar and other basics in short supply. Rationing of sugar and other basic foodstuffs is being introduced in Sofia, as well as other cities in the country.

Beginning Saturday, inhabitants of Sofia can only purchase limited amounts of sugar using coupons, which were distributed according to place of residence. Authorities plan to introduce coupons redeemable for five other

staples.

Despite assurances by the authorities that the coupons are backed by goods long lines formed in front of Sofia grocery stores. Discontent on the part of housewives and others lining up was heightened by rumors that delivery trucks and store managers do not distribute all of the sugar they receive.

Currently in Bulgaria, soap powders, washing liquids and other detergents are not on sale. Officials explain that when they have amassed sufficient quantities, then they will start rationing them. Soon cooking oil will be offered with coupons. Also under consideration is the rationing of dairy products like cheese.

Government officials say the reason for the rationing of oil was not due to lack of supplies, but because of shortages in packaging such as bottles and bottle caps.

President Zhelyu Zhelev, meanwhile, began consultations Saturday with a wide range of political forces and parties to find a formula for forming a new government. The opposition Union of Democratic Forces has refused to take part in a coalition government with the ruling Bulgarian Socialist Party.

Former Prime Minister Andrei Loukanov was chosen last week to form the new government. He said that the government must be above the party issues and that he aimed to safeguard civil peace.

Zhelev also has stressed that in forming the government, Loukanov should take into consideration the internal situation and the attitude of the international community toward Bulgaria.

The suggestion follows the controversy surrounding the arson and vandalism of the party headquarters last Sunday night. A videotape of the events was aired on the popular Panorama program Saturday.

In one scene of the videotape, a vandal inside the burning building was filmed as he stuffed packets of sugar into a bulging duffle bag. He looked at the camera and said, "Why not steal it?"

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#90244u1207 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 1) UPI - President Bush says he will be ''delighted'' to see Mikhail Gorbachev next weekend, adding that he and the Soviet leader ''have many subjects to discuss.'' Bush announced the September 9th summit from his vacation home in Kennebunkport, Maine. A simultaneous announcement of the Helsinki meeting also was made on Soviet television in

Moscow. The Persian Gulf crisis is expected to be a major topic of the talks. .

Bush says he approached Gorbachev more than one week ago about setting up the meeting. But Bush dismisses any suggestions that the Soviet Union may play a mediating role in resolving the crisis involving its old ally. In Bush's words- ''I doN'T think the Soviets see themselves as having a mediating role.'' .

Moammar Gadhafi wants to replace U-N troops to replace Iraqi forces in Kuwait... and Arab and Islamic forces to replace U-S troops in Saudi Arabia. The Libyan leader outlined his plan in a speech today to Libya's General People's Congress. Gadhafi is trying to find an Arab solution to the crisis.

A South African judge today recommended that the police be investigated for unjustly shooting and killing 11 black anti-apartheid protesters and wounding up to 281 others. The judge in Johannesburg was appointed by President Frederik de Klerk in March to probe the police action. .

South Africa's rival black factions signed a historic accord in their region of strife-torn Natal province, paying the way to ending years of conflict. The Inkatha movement and the African National Congress signed the pact condemning violence in hard- hit townships to the north of the Indian Ocean province.

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#90244u1281 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 1) UPI - The launch of the shuttle Columbia has been put off until late next week. NASA today announced that its fix-it job on a faulty part didn't work... so the part must be replaced and run through a full battery of tests. The part relays data on super-cold argon used to operate an X-ray telescope on the shuttle.

A Gainesville, Florida, police officer says ''it's frightening'' there are so many viable suspects in the killings of five students this week. Investigators say one ''valuable'' suspect is an 18-year-old University of Florida student... arrested on Thursday on charges of beating his grandmother.

Authorities in New York say a retired prison guard is wanted in the slaying of ex-state Senator Vander Beatty. A man shot Beatty in his Brooklyn campaign office on Thursday and left in a car found stalled and abandoned three blocks away. Police say the owner of the car is a friend of Beatty's who was mad about losing a child-support dispute.

Most Americans are enjoying warm sunshine on their first full day of the

Labor Day weekend... but some folks weren't so lucky. Scattered showers roamed the South... soaking coastal Louisiana. And fog blanketed parts of New Hampshire and Vermont as morning temperatures lingered in the 50's.

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#90244u1508 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 1) UPI - An Iraqi Airways plane carrying more than 70 women and children flew out of Baghdad today and landed a short time later in Amman, Jordan. Jordanian airport officials say the craft carried mostly Japanese nationals. At least one other Iraqi Airways plane- expected to carry more than 145 Britons and Americans- is scheduled to leave Baghdad for London and Washington today. .

British officials in London say the plane that left Iraq may have been delayed for other passengers arriving from Kuwait. A British Foreign Office spokesman says officials are NOT sure what's happening. As he put it- ''We're back to the usual state of confusion.'' Only a handful of the thousands of foreigners trapped by Iraq have been allowed to leave since Iraq said Tuesday that it would free all foreign women and children. .

In Kennebunkport, Maine, President Bush today assailed the piecemeal release of Westerners in Iraq and Kuwait, calling it a ''despicable performance'' by Saddam Hussein. Bush also remains skeptical about prospects for a diplomatic solution, citing a lack of ''flexibility'' by Saddam. .

Bush spoke to reporters while announcing that he and Soviet President Gorbachev will meet next Sunday in Helsinki, Finland, for talks on the gulf and other issues. Bush says the talks are a test of the post-Cold War spirit of co-operation forged at the super- power summit three months ago in Washington.

A study finds that malnutrition and infectious disease account for half of the infant deaths in Mexico. A Mexican government report published today says 17-Million Mexicans live in extreme poverty. Only one percent of children in rural areas have milk, meat, eggs and fish on a regular basis.

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#90244u1514 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 1) UPI - The standoff continues between Mohawk Indians and Canadian soldiers near Montreal. Though many Indian barricades were taken down this week... Indians at one site say they are NOT budging until their land claims are dealt with. Negotiations between the two sides broke off suddenly on Thursday.

Virginia Beach, Virginia, is quiet so far this Labor Day weekend... in

contrast to last year, when police clashed with thousands of young blacks. A parade today kicked off a schedule of rap concerts... a job fair... and a swimsuit competition. Police say 16 arrests last night were NOT unusual.

The Philadelphia Daily News says a Japanese bank will back a crucial letter of credit for the city if four local banks participate. The notes are needed to keep the city running until taxes come in after January. Philadelphia is in financial trouble with a 200-Million-dollar deficit.

A cross-country flight planned to mark the 70th anniversary of the U-S airmail system could fall several pilots short. A co-ordinator in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, says additional pilots are needed to fly several Western legs of next Saturday's flight that will trace the original Airmail Service routes.

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#90244u1691 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 1) UPI - The first of two planned flights carrying foreigners from Iraq took off from Baghdad today. Officials say the Iraqi Airways plane landed in Amman, Jordan, a short time later with more than 70 women and children... mostly Japanese nationals. At least one other plane with more than 145 Britons and Americans is expected to leave Baghdad for London and Washington later today. Foreign governments hope thousands of other hostages are to follow.

The Soviet Union and China today pledged to work together to try to defuse the Middle East crisis through diplomacy rather than war. Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze met China's foreign minister in the Chinese city of Harbin. He is the highest-level Soviet to visit China since President Gorbachev last year. Both China and the Soviet Union still have military advisers in Iraq.

Pope John Paul in Tanzania today asked for the world's help to fight Africa's two greatest burdens- AIDS and refugees. Thousands of people greeted the pope warmly upon his arrival on an 11- day, four-country African tour. The pope again appealed to industrialized nations for help Africa... where civil wars in eight countries have forced Millions of people to abandon their homes.

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#90244u1698 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 1) UPI - A report says creditors are closing in on one of the Forbes 400 fortunes- the New York real estate empire of Alexander DiLorenzo. The 40-year-old ex-hippie is owner of the Bronx building that housed the Happy Land Social Club where fire killed 87 patrons in March. Today's story says DiLorenzo has defaulted on mortgage payments at several

properties and at least one promissory note.

The Minnesota Supreme Court has upheld the right of a landlord to refuse to rent a house to an unmarried couple on religious grounds. The 4-3 decision filed yesterday reversed a lower court ruling. The high court said if the state wants to force landlords to rent to unmarried couples, it should remove a fornication statute from the books. The landlord's lawyer says a similar ruling was made recently in Illinois.

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#90244u1711 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

PORTLAND, OR (SEPT. 2) UPI - A woman and her boyfriend face up to 20 years in prison following guilty pleas to sexual abuse of her three young children in a case the prosecutor called the "most horrifying" of its kind she's ever seen.

Anita Ann Meyers, 27, and Timothy Brian Davis, 28, abruptly changed their pleas to guilty Friday just as they were to be tried on more than a dozen criminal charges.

Multnomah County Circuit Judge James Ellis immediately sentenced the Portland couple to five to 20 years in prison and ordered that they not be released until they complete an intensive treatment program for sex offenders.

"This is the most horrifying case of sexual abuse of children I have ever seen," Deputy District Attorney Jill Otey said. "These people had sex orgies with one-, four-, and seven-year-old children."

Otey said the damage to at least one of Meyers' children is irreversible. The boy, now 6, is filled with rage and talks of raping people when he gets older. She said the boy already has tried to sexually assault her and two caseworkers. "I don't think this child is capable of responding to any human warmth and attention except by respondiung sexually and aggressively " Otey said.

Meyers and Davis each pleaded guilty to four crimes that took place in 1987, including two counts of first-degree sodomy and one count of first-degree rape. The rape charge involved making Meyers' younger son, then four, have sex with his one-year-old sister.

Meyers and Davis also pleaded guilty to distributing drugs to a minor, a charge that stemmed from having the older son, seven at the time, puff on a marijuana pipe, Otey said.

Davis said nothing during the hearing, other than to mutter "guilty" to each of the four charges. Meyers spoke only briefly, crying as she pleaded

guilty, then again as she stood and faced her oldest son, seated in back of the courtroom. "I'd just like to tell my son that I love you and I wish you luck. That's it," she said.

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#90244u1762 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 1) UPI - A West German foreign ministry official says a Lufthansa airliner carrying 311 women and children has left Baghdad and is headed to Frankfort. Among those aboard the flight are at least 60 Americans and about as many Germans. There's also word that an Iraqi Airways plane is carrying at least 145 Westerners, including Americans, to London and Paris. The releases are the first significant moves by the Iraqi government to grant freedom to an estimated 10-thousand detained Westerners.

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The Persian Gulf crisis has prompted the superpowers to schedule a summit next Sunday. President Bush will meet his Soviet counterpart... Mikhail Gorbachev... in Helsinki, Finland, for what Bush says will be a ''free-flowing discussion.'' Speaking to reporters during the final weekend of his New England vacation, Bush says the suprise gathering will have ''NO special agenda.'' UNlike Washington, Moscow has distanced itself from the use of force in settling the situation.

Canadian soldiers today moved into a Mohawk reserve near Montreal. The army says personnel carriers and 300 armed troops advanced after two Mohawks were beaten by other tribal members overnight. An army spokesman says the move is NOT aggressive but is to protect people in the area. The spokesman says troops are dismantling barricades without resistance. Negotiations over the land dispute between the government and the Indians remain at a standstill.

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#90244u1949 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 1) UPI - .Two days of talks between the U-N secretary general and Iraq's foreign minister have yielded NO apparent breakthroughs in the Persian Gulf crisis. De Cuellar is scheduled to discuss the six-and-a-half hours of talks at a news conference tomorrow morning.

President Bush says a week of behind-the-scenes maneuvering has resulted in a surprise meeting with his Soviet counterpart next Sunday. Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev will have lunch September 9th in Finland to discuss ''international and bilateral matters.''

Tensions may cool in South Africa's violence-torn Natal province. Today,

the African National Congress and the rival Inkatha movement reached an UNprecedented peace accord. The two sides also called on their national organizations to seek peace pacts throughout the country.

Pope John Paul kicked off an 11-day African visit by urging the international community to join in the battle against AIDS. John Paul also called for global assistance to combat Africa's refugee problem. Africa is estimated to have five-Million refugees and another 13-Million displaced people.

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#90244u1952 09/01/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 1) UPI - NASA engineers say it appears the shuttle Columbia's liftoff will be delayed until Friday. The unofficial launch revision comes after technicians at Cape Canaveral replaced a malfunctioning electronic component within a telescope the craft will use in its upcoming 10-day mission.

For the second time in eight days, the Philippine capital has been hammered by severe flooding. Monsoon rains triggered severe flooding that has killed at least 12 people and forced the evacuation of some 68-thousand more in Manila. 13 people died during flooding a week ago.

Former professional basketball player Clifton Nathaniel is dead. Chicago police say the 63-year-old early member of the Harlem Globetrotters was found yesterday in his cab on the city's South Side. Nathaniel's relaxed manner and love of soda pop earned him the nickname ''Sweetwater.''

The Boston Public Library today opened an exhibit honoring three centuries of American journalism. Items on display include copies of colonial and 19th century Massachussetts newspapers. America's first newspaper... ''Publick Occurrences Both Foreign and Domestick''... was published September 25th, 1690.

It looks as if the nation's most populous state will remain behind the rest of the pack when it comes to presidential primaries. The California legislature early today voted against a proposal to switch the state's primary from June to March.

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#90244u2039 09/01/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 1) UPI - The airport in Frankfurt, West Germany, was witness to tearful reunions as a plane carrying 311 former Iraqi detainees arrived from Baghdad. Aboard the Lufthansa airliner were 60 Americans, 71 Germans and citizens of 20 other countries. Despite the joy experienced in Frankfurt, it is estimated that some three-thousand Americans remain in

Iraq against their will. Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein has said these so-called ''guests'' will be placed at strategic sites to prevent possible U-S military strikes.

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In Washington, a spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration says an Iraqi Airways plane is slated to arrive in the nation's capital tomorrow morning. The F-A-A says 50 Americans will be aboard the flight, which also has stops planned in Paris and London. It is NOT clear if the craft will pick up Iraqi nationals during its layover at Dulles International Airport.

Three men are in custody in connection with an early morning shooting spree at a Brooklyn club. New York police say one of the three men was refused admission into the night spot. He later returned with two friends and a small arsenal of weapons. The trio allegedly fired upon a crowd outside the popular club. 10 people were injured, NONE critically, before the assailants drove off.

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#90244u2043 09/01/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 1) UPI - Police in Florida say they are NOT even close to an arrest in the slayings of five college students in Gainesville this week. But they have plenty of suspects... so many that one officer calls it ''frightening.'' The officer says one 18-year-old charged with beating his grandmother Thursday is an ''extremely valuable suspect.'' But investigators warn people in Gainesville NOT to let their guard down.

Young black students partied in the town of Virginia Beach, Virginia, today... with NONE of the violence that marred last year's Labor Day weekend. The number of students was much lower than a year ago when police clashed with revelers. Some of last year's participants charged the city with over-reacting because of the crowd's race. One 19- year-old said this year's security was- in his words- ''a little overboard.'' But he added that was O-K- quoting again- ''if it prevents a riot.''

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#90245d3800 09/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (SEPT. 2) - Hundreds of women and children began arriving in West Germany, France, and Britain on flights from Iraq early Sunday - clearly relieved, but with worry for husbands or fathers left behind etched on their faces.

On the first flight to arrive, 316 people from 22 countries - mainly West Germans and Americans - landed in Frankfurt aboard a West German government-chartered jumbo jet.

Shortly afterwards, 20 French and an American were taken off an Iraqi jumbo jet which stopped over in Paris before flying on to London to discharge another 284, mainly Britons. Another Iraqi airliner had earlier landed in Amman with 68 Japanese nationals on their way to Tokyo.

There were emotional scenes in Frankfurt as relatives and friends greeted the women and children from 22 nations who had been kept for days in uncertainty in Baghdad before being finally allowed out.

They streamed off the aircraft, many clutching small children, herded by West German government officials, most looking weary and showing the strain of days of uncertainty about being able to leave.

Almost none were prepared to talk, for fear of endangering those left behind only a few hours before at tearful farewells in Baghdad before the flight aboard the crowded jumbo, in which small children sat on mothers' laps to create more room for the departing.

Gisela Jassim, a Berlin woman whose Iraqi-born husband was also allowed to leave - one of just six men on the flight - said the supply situation in Baghdad was not desperate and as far as she could tell, most people there still did not think there would be war. West German government officials said there were 66 West Germans, 55 Spaniards, 23 Dutch, 17 Britons, and 14 Swedes aboard the flight.

A dutch woman with a small child said her husband had been taken by Iraqi authorities back to the oil refinery where he had been working, and a West German government official said at least ten West German men were known to be held hostage at strategic points. "They were at the airport and couldn't come with us," said another West German woman clearly close to tears of the menfolk who had been left behind.

A british woman aboard the flight said she had been in Kuwait until Friday, and had left her husband there after being allowed out to Baghdad by bus. She said Iraqi troops had been courteous at what had once been the Iraqi-Kuwait border. The past few weeks had been very tense, with foreigners in Kuwait "waiting at any time for a knock on the door".

In London, a teenage boy among those arriving said that Iraqi troops had well treated everyone he saw. "They made sure they treated us well," he added. He said he and his mother and sister had been with his father until just before they left. "I expect he's at some military installation now," the boy said. "My dad said it was better for me and my mum and sister to come back. It's been a pretty rough four weeks."

Also aboard the flight arriving in London were a group of sick American men whose release had been negotiated in Iraq by former U.S. presidential

candidate Jesse Jackson.

It was not immediately clear when the next planeloads of women and children would be allowed to leave by Iraqi authorities, though no more were expected Sunday.

In Tokyo, the Japanese Foreign Ministry issued a statement deploring that a total of 143 Japanese men were still detained at unknown places by Iraqi authorities.

Baghdad meanwhile informed the Japanese embassy in Baghdad that it would allow 12 family members of Japanese diplomats to leave the Iraqi capital later Sunday.

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#90245d4770 09/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 2) - Philippine Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus said on his return from a Middle East tour Sunday that Baghdad allowed him into Kuwait last week for a visit to the Philippine Embassy in the Iraqi-occupied emirate.

Manglapus gave scant details of his visit to Kuwait City, saying only that he stayed there for one day and that he did not see soldiers surrounding the U.S. Embassy.

He told reporters he also met with several thousand Filipinos at the Philippine Embassy compound who were waiting to be evacuated. Informed sources here said the visit took place Thursday.

Manglapus said that during his visit to Baghdad, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz told him Manila's plan to take the stranded Filipinos out of Kuwait and Iraq through Iran could not be implemented for the moment.

The proposal, to which Teheran had agreed earlier, was "not turned down outright" but "I understand the problem is security," he said. Iraq and Iran fought an eight-year war that ended in a truce in 1988.

There were about 60,000 Filipinos in Kuwait and 5,000 in Iraq before the August 2 Iraqi invasion. Although the Filipinos have not been detained - unlike Western nationals - less than a tenth of the total have managed to return home.

Manglapus said Aziz proposed that Iraqi Airways planes be used to fly the Filipinos out or they could be evacuated by sea via the Iraqi port of Basra. He said Manila considered the first plan "unrealistic" because the Philippines could not afford to subsidize the plane fares while the second proposal would mean the vessels would "then have to go through the

(U.S.-led naval) blockade."

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#90245d4790 09/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (SEPT. 2) - Twenty Albanians, most of them under 30 years old, crossed into Yugoslavia illegally overnight saying they could no longer bear the harsh living conditions and deprivation at home, the Tanjug news agency reported Sunday.

The 20 fled over the border near Plav in Montenegro where 50 other Albanian refugees arrived in July overland and by sea.

Under Yugoslav law, all the Albanians will spend a month in prison for entering the country illegally. After their release, they will be taken in charge by the Belgrade office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees.

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#90245d4810 09/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (SEPT. 2) - Afghan resistance guerrillas slammed at least five rockets into Kabul Sunday, a day after the government shifted several Scud missiles to their silos to target rebel positions.

A government spokesman here said some of the missiles fell around the Scud silos located near the luxury Intercontinental Hotel. The spokesman said some rockets also crashed into two residential districts, causing some damage. He could not say if there were any casualties.

More than a dozen blasts were heard Sunday in different areas of Kabul but other government officials said some of them were outgoing rockets fired by the Afghan army at rebel bases around the capital.

Taxi drivers and residents said at least five people were killed in one area by the rocketting. These reports could not be immediately confirmed. The rocket attacks, after a lull of six days, were launched from the west of the capital.

"We cannot prevent the rockets from coming in ... It is a war of rockets," the spokesman said. Sunday's attacks occurred a day after the Kabul garrison moved several Scud missiles to silos near the Intercontinental, witnesses said.

Kabul has used these Soviet-supplied surface-to-surface missiles, which have a maximum range of 250 kilometers (150 miles), to target mujahedeen positions in several provinces.

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#90245d4830 09/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAHORE, PAKISTAN (SEPT. 2) - Railway staff foiled an attempt to blow up a Pakistani train Sunday following four bomb blasts in the past two days that left at least 13 people dead and more than 60 injured, officials said.

Plastic explosives were tied to both sides of the main line track near Wazirabad railway station in Punjab province, about 180 kilometers (110 miles) south of here, railway officials said. A bomb disposal squad defused the explosives just before the usually crowded Awam Express train was scheduled to pass the spot, the officials said.

At least three other passenger trains, due to cross through the same booby-trapped section, were stopped pending clearance of the track which took three hours, they said.

A railway lineman, Mohammad Nawaz, detected the explosives and informed the authorities and has been given a "handsome" cash award for his vigilance, the railway administration said.

On Thursday, a bomb exploded in a passenger train near here, killing eight people and injuring more than two dozen. Two more bombs went off the same day in Punjab's industrial city of Faislabad and a rural market town of Muridke near Lahore, killing five people and injuring over 30.

The seizure of plastic explosives near Wazirabad followed a bomb blast in the same district on Saturday in which six people were injured. No arrests have been made so far.

Interior Minister Zahid Sarfraz has blamed the Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) of ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto for the new wave of blasts. The party has denied the allegation, calling it part of the interim government's campaign to defame the PPP ahead of elections promised on October 24.

-30- 1897
#90245d5030 09/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 2) - Some 50 U.S. citizens freed by Iraq arrived here from Baghdad Sunday aboard an Iraqi Airways jetliner. The green and white Boeing 747 touched down at Dulles International Airport in Maryland, just northwest of Washington, at around 9:40 a.m. (1340 GMT).

Medical personnel loaded one of the female passengers into an ambulance. Although neither the woman nor her problem were identified, there were reports out of Baghdad that a female foreigner had suffered a broken hip in a traffic accident in the Middle East.

Some 3,000 Americans were trapped in Kuwait and Iraq after Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait August 2 and Baghdad prohibited thousands of foreigners from leaving.

The group of U.S. citizens arriving here left Iraq at 2200 GMT Saturday, after The Rev. Jesse Jackson visited Iraq and Kuwait last week and intervened with Baghdad to secure the hostages' release.

Jackson estimated that 44 to 50 U.S. citizens were aboard the jetliner that landed here. He said ten of the American men were suffering various illnesses, such as heart disease and diabetes.

The passengers were greeted by family members, U.S. officials, and Mohamed Al-Mashat, Iraq's ambassador to the United States. A State Department spokesman said Al-Mashat explained he was at the airport to ensure that that the Iraqi Airways crew had no problems. Jackson suggested that Al-Mashat's presence was "a desperate attempt to make some point of contact."

Al-Mashat, speaking to journalists, blasted Western news coverage of the Gulf crisis and offered conditions for the release of all foreigners held by Iraqi authorities.

"When we promise something, we deliver," he said, referring to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's promise Tuesday to permit all foreign women and children to depart Iraq or Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Al-Mashat insisted that the hostages' return here Sunday was "an example and evidence that we have honored our commitment." "This is the best answer to the skeptics, to the belligerent talk, to the negative talk about Iraq," he said. "It's not what the mass media are saying against us, unfairly and unjustly.

"As far as the men are concerned, we are willing to let them go, providing the United States will give us a guarantee that they are not going to strike Iraq," Al-Mashat said.

U.S. officials have accused Baghdad of relocating Western citizens to Iraqi military installations to deter a possible attack by U.S. and allied forces gathered in the Middle East.

The multinational forces were deployed to enforce a U.N. embargo against Iraq and occupied Kuwait and to defend Saudi Arabia from a possible Iraqi attack.

Al-Mashat indicated that the embargo was another reason Iraq was holding male foreigners. "They are there because - as a result of your threat to us - you have besieged our country and denied our children milk. You have

denied our people food," he said.

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#90245u0104 09/02/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 2) UPI - Sunday's Sports Calendar:
(All times EDT)

ARCHERY
Leon, Norway - World Field Championships

AUTO RACING
Darlington, S.C. - NASCAR Heinz Southern 500
Vancouver, B.C. - CART Molson Indy Vancouver

BASEBALL
American League
Toronto at Cleveland, 1:35 p.m.
Detroit at Minnesota, 2:15 p.m.
Baltimore at Milwaukee, 2:35 p.m.
Chicago at California, 3:05 p.m.
Texas at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Seattle, 4:35 p.m.
New York at Boston, 8:05 p.m.

National League
San Francisco at New York, 1:35 p.m.
San Diego at Philadelphia, 1:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Montreal, 1:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Atlanta, 2:10 p.m.
Cincinnati at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Houston, 2:35 p.m.

BOXING Dublin - AIBA World Cup

GOLF
Franklin, Wis. - PGA Greater Milwaukee Open
Indianapolis - GTE North Senior Classic
Springfield, Ill. - LPGA Rail Charity Golf Classic

TENNIS
New York - U.S. Open

VOLLEYBALL
China - Women's World Championships

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#90245u0118 09/02/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 2) UPI - Freedom has come for some 500 foreigners previously held against their will in Iraq. Baghdad allowed three planeloads of NON-Iraqis... mostly women and children... to leave Iraq Saturday. It is NOT clear how many U-S citizens were among the group granted freedom. 60 Americans traveled to West Germany aboard a Lufthansa flight that carried 316 people out of Iraq. Several of those interviewed in Frankfurt said they were NOT harassed while in Iraq.

Canadian troops Saturday night were reported to have assume strategic positions inside a Mohawk reservation where militant tribe members have held authorities at bay for seven weeks. The deployment of several hundred combat-ready forces to the reserve in Oka, Quebec, appeared to catch the Indians off guard. This was seen in the relative ease troops had in trapping militants in a community center on the reserve. Troops also removed barricades put up by Indians at a key commuter bridge outside Montreal.

Guatemala Saturday accused rebels of growing and dealing illicit drugs. Government forces say a recent raid using U-S Drug Enforcment Administration helicopters turned up 10-Million opium poppy plants. Officials valued the confiscated crop at 20-Million dollars. An army official said weapons and guerrilla propaganda also were found near the drug plantations.

Vietnamese Prime Minister Do Muoi says Vietnam's Communist Party will continue market reforms... but he cautions the party will guard against so-called ''hostile forces.'' Security officials report foreign intelligence agencies and overseas Vietnamese groups are spreading propaganda to topple the communist hierarchy. Despite the alleged outside intervention, the prime minister reiterated Vietnam's interest in normalizing relations with Washington and Beijing .

-30- 1985
#90245u0122 09/02/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 2) UPI - Britain's Prince Charles was reported resting comfortably Saturday following surgery to repair his broken right arm. The prince's arm did NOT heal despite being in a cast after a fall from his polo horse two months ago. A metal plate has now been permanently placed on the bone and a graft from the pelvis placed around the fracture. A previously closed ward in a London hospital was reopened to accommodate the prince and his staff... which includes a chef.

Police in Portland, Oregon, Friday caught their man red-handed... thanks to a quick-thinking bank teller. Friday afternoon, the Security Pacific Bank was robbed. The clerk handed over a bag of bills that contained a tear gas canister and a packet of red dye. Several minutes after leaving

the bank, the suspect noticed his booty was smoking. But when he tried to snuff the smoke, he wound up coating himself with dye. He was nabbed by Portland authorities moments later.

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(SEPT. 2) UPI

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	91	66	....
Anchorage cy	65	49	....
Asheville pc	73	63	1.26
Atlanta cy	81	70	.39
Baltimore sy	83	60	....
Billings pc	87	50	....
Birmingham pc	93	70	....
Bismarck sy	88	46	....
Boston pc	80	63	....
Brownsville ts	97	70	.86
Buffalo sy	84	61	....
Burlington Vt. pc	79	53	....
Charleston S.C. sy	86	77	....
Charlotte pc	88	67	....
Chicago sy	89	67	....
Cincinnati sy	86	66	....
Cleveland sy	85	61	....
Columbus Ohio sy	87	62	....
Dallas pc	99	75	.03
Denver pc	90	60	.30
Des Moines pc	89	69	....
Detroit sy	86	64	....
Duluth sy	78	59	....
El Paso pc	93	71	.06
Evansville sy	92	65	....
Fargo sy	85	54	....
Hartford cy	83	56	....
Honolulu sy	88	70	....
Houston ts	93	69	.31
Indianapolis pc	87	65	....
Jackson Miss. pc	96	67	....
Jacksonville pc	92	73	....
Kansas City pc	102	73	....
Las Vegas sy	103	74	....
Little Rock pc	95	71	....
Los Angeles hz	82	65	....
Louisville sy	90	65	....
Memphis sy	95	71	....

Miami Beach pc	87	79	....
Milwaukee pc	87	68	....
Minneapolis sy	89	63	....
Nashville sy	93	70	....
New Orleans sy	92	73	.02
New York pc	86	64	....
Oklahoma City sy	100	74	....
Omaha pc	91	71	....
Orlando pc	94	75	....
Philadelphia pc	86	66	....
Phoenix pc	96	83	....
Pittsburgh pc	85	59	....
Portland Me. pc	81	55	....
Portland Ore. cy	77	56	....
Providence pc	84	57	....
Richmond sy	86	61	....
St. Louis pc	94	73	....
Salt Lake City pc	95	59	....
San Antonio ts	98	71	.82
San Diego f	77	67	....
San Francisco pc	71	58	....
San Juan sy	90	77	....
Seattle cy	70	55	....
Spokane pc	74	49	....
Tampa pc	95	73	.28
Washington sy	83	66	....
Wichita vh	107	70	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
vh-veryhot
w-windy

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#90245u0176 09/02/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 2) UPI - AL Standings:

EAST

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last 10	Streak
Boston	75	57	.568	-	41-21	34-36	9-1	W-9
Toronto	69	64	.519	6 1/2	34-34	35-30	4-6	W-3
Detroit	64	69	.481	11 1/2	32-35	32-34	8-2	W-4
Milwaukee	62	69	.473	12 1/2	30-33	32-36	7-3	W-2
Baltimore	60	71	.458	14 1/2	29-33	31-38	2-8	L-2
Cleveland	59	73	.447	16	32-35	27-38	3-7	L-6
New York	56	76	.424	19	30-32	26-44	4-6	L-3

WEST

Oakland	82	50	.621	-	43-24	39-26	5-5	L-1
Chicago	76	55	.580	5 1/2	38-29	38-26	5-5	W-3
Texas	67	65	.508	15	37-28	30-37	4-6	W-1
California	66	67	.496	16 1/2	35-32	31-35	5-5	L-2
Kansas City	65	67	.492	17	39-29	26-38	5-5	L-3
Seattle	65	68	.489	17 1/2	35-35	30-33	4-6	W-2
Minnesota	59	74	.444	23 1/2	32-36	27-38	4-6	L-3

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(SEPT. 2) UPI - Saturday's Sports Transactions:

BASEBALL

California - Called up third baseman Rick Schu from AAA Edmonton; activated pitcher Greg Minton from 21-day disabled list; activated catcher Ron Tingley and shortstop Kent Anderson from 15-day disabled list.

Chicago (NL) - Called up pitcher Jose Nunez from Iowa of the American Association (AAA).

Los Angeles - Activated left hander Pat Perry.

Oakland - Called up infielder Mike Bordick from Tacoma of the Pacific Coast League (AAA).

Philadelphia - Activated catcher Steve Lake from the 21-day disabled list.
San Francisco - Purchased contract of pitcher Paul McClelland from Phoenix of the Pacific Coast League (AAA), added to roster effective Sept. 3 catcher Kirk Manwaring, outfielders Rick Parker and Mark Leonard, infielder Tony Perezchica and first baseman Mike Laga from Phoenix.

COLLEGE

Illinois - Named Richard "Itchy" Jones baseball coach.

FOOTBALL

Tampa - Traded defensive back Rod Jones to Cincinnati for defensive end Jim Skow.

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(SEPT. 2) UPI - NL Box Scores:

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	4	2	1	0	Herr 2b	3	1	2	1
Kingery rf	3	0	1	1	Magadan 1b	4	1	1	1
Litton rf	2	0	0	0	Jefferies 3b	4	0	0	0
Clark 1b	4	0	0	0	O'Malley 3b	0	0	0	0
Mitchell lf	3	1	1	0	Strawberry rf	4	2	2	2
Williams 3b	4	1	2	1	McReynolds lf	4	0	1	0
Kennedy c	5	1	1	0	Johnson ss	4	1	2	1
Thompson 2b	4	0	1	1	Boston cf	4	0	0	0
Uribe ss	1	0	0	0	O'Brien c	2	1	0	0
Riles ss	3	0	0	0	Valera p	2	0	0	0
Burkett p	1	0	0	0	Ojeda p	1	0	0	0
Bathe ph	1	0	1	1	Darling p	0	0	0	0
Garrelts pr	0	0	0	0	Franco p	1	0	0	0
O'Neal p	0	0	0	0					
Anderson ph	1	0	1	0					
Dewey p	0	0	0	0					
Carter ph	1	0	0	0					
Brantley p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	37	5	9	4	Totals	33	6	8	5

San Francisco	001 200 011- 5
New York	220 010 01x- 6

E-Uribe, Valera, Jefferies. LOB-San Francisco 10, New York 6. 2B-Magadan, Kingery, Kennedy, Mitchell, Strawberry. HR-Strawberry (30), Herr (5).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Burkett (L 11-6)	3	3	4	2	2	2
O'Neal	3	1	1	1	0	1
Dewey	1	1	0	0	0	1
Brantley	1	3	1	1	1	0
New York						
Valera (W 1-0)	6	5	3	3	3	3

Ojeda	1	2	1	0	0	1
Darling	1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Franco (S 31)	1 2-3	1	1	1	2	1

Ojeda pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

WP-Franco. T-2:44. A-40,082.

Umpires-Home, Gregg; 1b, Crawford; 2b, Harvey; 3b, DeMuth.

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CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Hatcher cf	5	0	1	1	Walton cf	4	1	1	0
Morris 1b	4	1	1	0	Sandberg 2b	4	0	0	1
Larkin ss	3	2	2	0	Grace 1b	4	0	1	0
Doran 2b	2	0	1	0	Dawson rf	3	0	0	0
Davis lf	4	3	3	3	Smith lf	3	0	0	0
O'Neill rf	5	0	1	1	Salazar 3b	3	0	1	0
Sabo 3b	4	0	0	0	Dunston ss	3	0	1	0
Reed c	1	2	0	0	Berryhill c	3	0	0	0
Duncan 2b	4	0	3	2	Nunez p	1	0	0	0
Mahler p	3	0	0	0	Williams p	0	0	0	0
					Wynne ph	1	0	0	0
					Kramer p	0	0	0	0
					Varsho ph	1	0	0	0
					Lancaster p	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	8	12	7	Totals	30	1	4	1

Cincinnati	010 213 001- 8
Chicago	000 100 000- 1

DP-Cincinnati 1, Chicago 2. LOB-Cincinnati 6, Chicago 2. 2B-Davis, Salazar Morris. 3B-Walton, Duncan. HR-Davis (18). S-Mahler. SF-Davis.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Mahler (W 7-5)	9	4	1	1	0	3
Chicago						
Nunez (L 1-6)	5	8	6	6	1	3
Williams	1	1	1	1	1	1
Kramer	2	2	0	0	1	0
Lancaster	1	1	1	1	1	0

Nunez pitched to 2 batters in the 6th.

PB-Berryhill. T-2:17. A-34,388.

Umpires-Home, Wendelstedt; 1b, West; 2b, Hallion; 3b, Marsh.

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ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Coleman lf	4	0	1	0	LSmith lf	3	1	3	0
OSmith ss	3	0	1	1	Whitt c	4	0	1	0
Lankford cf	4	0	1	0	McDowell pr	0	1	0	0
Jose rf	4	0	0	0	Mercker p	0	0	0	0
Walling 1b	3	0	0	0	Gant cf	4	1	1	1
Hudler ph	1	1	1	1	Justice rf	3	1	1	0
Pendleton 3b	4	1	1	0	Cabrera 1b	4	0	0	1
Zeile c	4	0	0	0	Thomas ss	4	0	1	1
Oquendo 2b	4	1	3	0	Blauser 3b	4	0	0	0
Hill p	1	0	1	1	Lemke 2b	3	0	2	0
Dayley p	0	0	0	0	Marak p	2	0	0	0
Terry p	0	0	0	0	Castillo p	0	0	0	0
					Olson c	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	3	9	3	Totals	31	4	9	3

St. Louis	000 010 011- 3
Atlanta	100 000 03x- 4

E-Hill. DP-Atlanta 1. LOB-St. Louis 5, Atlanta 6. 2B-Lankford, LSmith.
HR-Hudler (6). SB-LSmith (8), Coleman (77), OSmith (27), Lankford (4).
S-Hill 2, Marak.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Hill	7 1-3	7	3	3	2	6
Dayley (L 3-3)	1-3	2	1	1	0	0
Terry	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Atlanta						
Marak	7 1-3	8	2	2	1	1
Castillo (W 5-1)	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Mercker (S 5)	1	1	1	1	0	0

WP-Hill 2. T-2:35. A-14,673.

Umpires-Home, Froeming; 1b, Pulli; 2b, Rapuano; 3b, Darling.

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LOS ANGELES MONTREAL

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi

Harris 2b	4	0	2	0	DeShields 2b	4	1	1	0
Gibson cf	4	0	0	0	DMartinez cf	4	0	1	0
Daniels lf	3	0	0	0	Raines lf	3	1	0	0
Murray 1b	3	0	1	0	Wallach 3b	4	1	1	2
Brooks rf	3	0	0	0	Walker rf	4	1	1	0
Gonzalez rf	0	0	0	0	Galarraga 1b	2	2	1	2
Javier ph	1	0	0	0	Fitzgerald c	4	0	3	2
Scioscia c	3	0	0	0	Owen ss	4	0	1	0
Fletcher c	0	0	0	0	Boyd p	4	0	0	0
Sharpersn 3b	3	0	0	0					
Offerman ss	3	0	0	0					
Hartley p	1	0	0	0					
Poole p	0	0	0	0					
Aase p	0	0	0	0					
Vizcaino ph	1	0	0	0					
Holmes p	0	0	0	0					
Walsh p	0	0	0	0					
Gwynn ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	30	0	3	0	Totals	33	6	9	6

Los Angeles 000 000 000- 0
Montreal 000 240 00x- 6

LOB-Los Angeles 5, Montreal 8. 2B-Murray, Harris, Owen, Fitzgerald.
3B-Wallach. HR-Galarraga (17). SB-Raines (40), DeShields (35).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Hartley (L 5-2)	4	6	4	4	2	2
Poole	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Aase	2-3	2	2	2	1	1
Holmes	2	1	0	0	2	1
Walsh	1	0	0	0	0	0
Montreal						
Boyd (W 8-5)	9	3	0	0	2	8

Hartley pitched to 2 batters in the 5th.

T-2:39. A-16,236.

Umpires-Home, Davis; 1b, Layne; 2b, Runge; 3b, Winters.

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PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Redus 1b	3	0	2	0	Yelding cf	2	1	0	0
Bream 1b	2	0	0	0	Oberkfell ph	1	0	0	0

Bell ss	3	0	0	0	Meyer p	0	0	0	0
King 3b	3	0	0	0	Wilson ph	1	0	0	0
Van Slyke cf	2	0	0	0	DSmith p	0	0	0	0
Bonilla rf	5	1	1	0	Rhodes ph	1	0	1	1
Bonds lf	3	0	0	0	Ramirez ss	4	0	2	0
Reynolds cf	4	0	4	0	Caminiti 3b	5	0	1	1
Slaught c	1	0	0	1	Davis 1b	5	0	1	0
Lind 2b	3	0	0	0	Biggio c	4	1	1	0
Tomlin p	2	0	0	0	Davidson rf	3	0	1	0
Walk p	0	0	0	0	Young cf	1	0	0	0
Backman ph	1	0	0	0	Stubbs lf	4	0	2	0
Belinda p	0	0	0	0	Rohde 2b	3	0	0	0
Kipper p	0	0	0	0	Deshaies p	2	0	1	0
Martinez ph	1	0	0	0	Candaele cf	2	0	1	0
Power p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	33	1	7	1	Totals	38	2	11	2

Pittsburgh	000 100 000	0- 1
Houston	100 000 000	1- 2

E-King 2. DP-Houston 2. LOB-Pittsburgh 9, Houston 15. 2B-Redus, Ramirez 2, Davidson, Biggio. 3B-Davis. SB-Yelding (51), Biggio (25). S-Ramirez, Rohde Young. SF-Slaught.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Tomlin	5 2-3	7	1	1	2	2
Walk	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Belinda	1	1	0	0	1	1
Kipper	1	1	0	0	0	0
Power (L 1-3)	1 2-3	2	1	1	2	0
Houston						
Deshaies	6	6	1	1	4	4
Meyer	2	1	0	0	1	1
DSmith (W 5-5)	2	0	0	0	1	1

Balk-Deshaies. T-3:12. A-16,422.

Umpires-Home, Williams; 1b, McSherry; 2b, Montague; 3b, Davidson.

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(SEPT. 2) UPI - AL Box scores:

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Kelly cf	4	0	1	0	Reed 2b	5	1	2	1
Sax 2b	4	0	2	0	Quintana 1b	4	2	1	2
Nokes c	3	0	0	0	Boggs 3b	5	2	3	0
Geren c	1	0	0	0	Kutcher 3b	0	1	0	0
Maas 1b	3	0	0	0	Burks cf	3	3	2	4
Hall lf	2	0	0	0	Romine cf	1	0	0	0
Azocar lf	2	0	0	0	Greenwell lf	5	3	4	5
Barfield rf	1	1	0	0	Brunansky rf	5	1	3	3
Leyritz lf	2	0	0	0	Marshall dh	4	0	1	0
Balboni dh	3	0	1	0	Marzano c	3	1	1	0
Velarde 3b	3	0	1	1	Rivera ss	3	1	2	0
Espinoza ss	2	0	0	0					
Tolleson ss	1	0	0	0					
Totals	31	1	5	1	Totals	38	15	19	15

New York 010 000 000- 1
Boston 500 071 02x- 15

E-Boddicker. DP-New York 2, Boston 1. LOB-New York 5, Boston 4. 2B-Sax, Greenwell 2, Boggs 2, Reed. HR-Burks 2 (18), Brunansky (9), Greenwell (10). SB-Sax (34).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Hawkins (L 5-11)	1-3	5	5	5	0	0
Cadaret	3 2-3	4	4	4	5	3
Jones	4	10	6	6	0	2
Boston						
Boddicker (W 14-8)	6	4	1	1	1	4
Gardner	1	0	0	0	0	2
Hesketh	2	1	0	0	0	0

Cadaret pitched to 4 batters in the 5th.

HBP-by Boddicker (Maas). WP-Boddicker. T-2:59. A-34,482.

Umpires-Home, Clark; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, Craft; 3b, McCoy.

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TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Pettis cf	4	1	2	0	RHendersn lf	4	0	1	0
Kunkel 3b	3	1	1	0	McGee cf	5	0	1	0
Reimer ph	0	0	0	0	Canseco rf	5	0	0	0

Buechele 3b	0	0	0	0	Baines dh	3	1	0	0
Franco 2b	3	1	0	0	McGwire 1b	3	1	1	0
Sierra rf	4	0	0	0	Lansford 3b	1	0	0	0
Incaviglia lf	3	0	0	0	Quirk c	4	0	1	2
Palmeiro 1b	3	0	1	2	Randolph 2b	3	0	0	0
Gonzalez dh	4	0	0	0	Gallego ss	2	0	0	0
Stanley c	3	0	0	0	Hassey ph	1	0	0	0
Daughrty ph	0	0	0	0	Bordick ss	0	0	0	0
Petralli c	0	0	0	0					
Green ss	3	0	0	0					
Totals	30	3	4	2	Totals	31	2	4	2

Texas	201 000 000- 3
Oakland	000 000 200- 2

E-McGwire, Stanley. LOB-Texas 9, Oakland 13. 2B-RHenderson, Pettis, Kunkel. SB-Pettis (30), RHenderson (53), McGee (1). S-Green.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Witt (W 14-8)	7	4	2	2	10	10
Arnsberg	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Rogers (S 13)	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Oakland						
Young (L 7-5)	2 1-3	2	3	2	6	0
Burns	6 2-3	2	0	0	2	5

T-3:14. A-43,375.

Umpires-Home, Brinkman; 1b, Reed; 2b, Cooney; 3b, Tschida.

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KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Seitzer 3b	4	0	0	0	Reynolds 2b	5	0	2	0
McRae cf	4	0	0	0	Griffey, Sr lf	2	0	0	0
Tartabull rf	3	0	0	0	Cotto lf	0	0	0	0
VJackson lf	2	0	0	0	Griffey, Jr cf	3	1	1	0
Eisenreich lf	1	0	0	0	ADavis dh	1	1	0	0
Macfarlane dh	4	0	1	0	O'Brien 1b	2	1	1	0
Perry 1b	3	0	0	0	Buhner rf	4	0	1	1
Pecota ss	2	0	1	0	Bradley c	3	0	0	1
White 2b	3	0	0	0	Schaefer 3b	2	0	0	1
Jeltz pr	0	0	0	0	Vizquel ss	2	0	0	0
Palacios c	3	0	0	0					
Stillwell ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	30	0	2	0	Totals	24	3	5	3

Kansas City	000 000 000- 0
Seattle	000 000 30x- 3

E-Schaefer. DP-Kansas City 1. LOB-Kansas City 9, Seattle 14.
2B-Macfarlane. SB-Perry (16), Schaefer (4), Vizquel (4). S-Schaefer.
SF-Bradley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Codiroli	4 2-3	1	0	0	8	5
Crawford (L 5-4)	1 2-3	3	3	3	1	0
Farr	1 2-3	1	0	0	2	0
Seattle						
Swan (W 2-2)	7	1	0	0	5	5
Swift (S 4)	2	1	0	0	1	0

HBP-by Codiroli 3 (ADavis 2, Schaefer), by Crawford (Griffey, Jr).
WP-Codiroli, Farr. T-2:51. A-24,160.

Umpires-Home, Palermo; 1b, Scott; 2b, Roe; 3b, Garcia.

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(SEPT. 2) UPI - The home stretch is in sight and the Cincinnati Reds' top thoroughbred is starting to feel his oats. "September is here," announced Eric Davis after going 3-for-4 with a home run and three RBI Saturday to lead the Reds to an 8-1 rout of the Chicago Cubs and extend Cincinnati's lead in the NL West to 6 1-2 games.

"Everybody's pushing now, trying to rise to another level," said Davis, whose 18th home run of the season, a towering shot to left field, gave the Reds a 1-0 lead in the second. "This is when you win or lose the division. If this doesn't get you going, then you don't belong here."

Davis has certainly gotten it going of late. After struggling much of the season, he has hit in eight of his last ten games (15-for-36, .417), with five doubles, three home runs, eight RBI, and one run scored.

In that stretch he has brought his average up from .223 to .242. "He's been swinging the bat great for the last week or so," Cubs Manager Don Zimmer said. "He's got too much talent to be hitting .220."

"Davis got us going today," Reds Manager Lou Piniella said. "It's amazing

how when he's swinging the bat well, everything falls into place offensively for us."

Things have been falling into place for Rick Mahler as well. The veteran right-hander went the distance, giving up one run on four hits to improve to 7-5. Since moving back into the starting rotation on Aug. 21 after Tom Browning sprained an ankle, Mahler has made the most of his opportunity, posting a 3-0 record and a 1.58 ERA in three starts.

"I was throwing a lot of fastballs today," said Mahler, who got 14 groundball outs and struck out three. "I had good control of my fastball, and fortunately they hit a lot of balls on the ground and our infield played outstanding defense. "This is the fun part of the year. Not only me but everybody on this team has to go out and turn it up a notch."

-- AROUND THE NL --

Elsewhere in the National League: New York topped San Francisco 6-5, Houston nipped Pittsburgh 2-1 in 10 innings, Montreal blanked Los Angeles 6-0, Philadelphia swept a double-header from San Diego, 3-2 and 2-1, and Atlanta edged St. Louis 4-3.

Mets 6, Giants 5

At New York, Darryl Strawberry belted his 30th homer of the season and collected his 1,000th major-league hit and Tommy Herr had a solo shot to lead the New York Mets into first place by a half-game in the NL East. Rookie Julio Valera, 1-0, pitched six innings in his major league debut. John Franco pitched 1 2-3 innings for his 31st save.

Astros 2, Pirates 1, 10 innings

At Houston, pinch-hitter Karl Rhodes singled home Craig Biggio with two out in the 10th inning to knock Pittsburgh out of first place. The Pirates have lost six of their last seven games. Ted Power dropped to 1- 3. Dave Smith, 5-5, worked two hitless innings for the victory.

Expos 6, Dodgers 0

At Montreal, Andres Galarraga hit a two-run homer and Oil Can Boyd pitched a three-hit shutout. The loss dropped the second place Dodgers 6 1-2 games behind the Cincinnatti Reds in the NL West. Boyd, 8-5, pitched his third complete game of the season. Mike Hartley, 5-2, lost for the first time as a starter.

Phillies 3, Padres 2, 10 innings (1st game)
Phillies 2, Padres 1, (2nd game)

At Philadelphia, John Kruk singled home Mickey Morandini with two outs in the 10th inning to give the Philadelphia Phillies a 3-2 victory over the San Diego Padres in the first game of a doubleheader. Three Philadelphia pitchers limited the Padres to three hits.

In the nightcap, Darren Daulton singled home John Kruk with two outs in the eighth inning to complete the sweep and send the Padres to their fifth straight loss. Darrel Akerfelds, 5-1, pitched one inning and Roger McDowell hurled the ninth for his 18th save.

Braves 4, Cardinals 3

At Atlanta, Ron Gant slid home with the go-ahead run on a fielder's choice in the eighth inning. Tony Castillo, 5-1, was winner, and Kent Mercker notched his fifth save. Ken Hill dropped to 4-3.

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(SEPT. 2) UPI - Bobby Witt missed the strike zone plenty of times Saturday night but made it into the win collumn nevertheless. Witt amassed ten walks over seven innings of work but was still able to lead the the Texas Rangers to a 3-2 victory over the Oakland Athletics.

Witt, whose tied a team record for bases on balls, also collected ten strikeouts and pitched out of three bases-loaded jams to improve his record to 14-8.

"He got off the hook, that's all," Ricky Henderson said, who went down on strikes against Witt in the fourth with bases loaded. "We left too many runners out there that we didn't bring across the plate. That means that you beat yourself. He didn't beat us. He put them out there for us."

Rangers Manager Bobby Valentine seemed baffled that his ace starter missed the strike zone so much. "It's amazing, he only threw 130 pitches too, just amazing," Valantine commented. "He had great stuff today. Geez, he was just missing."

The right-hander gave up both of Oakland's runs and four hits while improving to 11-0 in his last 12 starts." "I'm trying to go out there and be consistent and keep the team in the game," Witt said about his 11th straight victory. "In the past I'd go out there and get roughed up early and be out of there, but now I'm more able to battle through it." Kenny Rogers pitched the final 1 2-3 innings for his 13th save.

A's starter and loser Curt Young, 7-5, lasted just 2 1-3 innings and allowed three runs and two hits while walking a season-high six batters. Todd Burns pitched 7 2-3 innings of one-hit relief.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Elsewhere in the American League, Chicago topped California 9-5; Boston blasted New York 15-1; Toronto blanked Cleveland 8-0; Detroit beat Minnesota 9-5; Milwaukee stopped Baltimore 4-3 and Seattle blanked Kansas City 3-0.

White Sox 9, Angels 5

At Anaheim, Calif., Bobby Thigpen pitched out of a bases-loaded jam in the ninth inning to gaain his 46th save and tie the major-league record saves in a season and guide Chicago to within 5 1-2 games of first-place Oakland in the AL West. Melido Perez, 12-12, allowed two runs on seven hits over the first seven innings. Rookie Joe Grahe, 1-2, took the loss.

Red Sox 15, Yankees 1

At Boston, Ellis Burks hit two homers and Mike Greenwell added an inside-the-park grand slam to boost Boston to its ninth-straight victory. Mike Boddicker improved to 14-8. The Red Sox pounced on Andy Hawkins, 5-11 for five runs - including two homers - in one-third of an inning.

Blue Jays 8, Indians 0

At Cleveland, Fred McGriff collected a career-high five hits, including his 29th homer of the season, and Todd Stottlemyre pitched 7 1-3 scoreless innings to lead Toronto. Stottlemyre, 12-14, gave up six hits, struck out three and walked one. Knuckleballer Tom Candiotti gave up six runs and fell to 13-10.

Tigers 9, Twins 5

At Minneapolis, Travis Fryman collected three RBI and rookie Randy Nosek won in his first start of the season to help Detroit to their fourth-straight. Nosek, 1-0, worked six-plus innings, yielding four runs and six hits and Mike Henneman earned his 19th save. Allan Anderson fell to 6-17.

Brewers 4, Orioles 3

At Milwaukee, Cal Ripken Jr.'s first throwing error of the season set up a two-run single by Robin Yount to propell the Brewers. Ripken's first throwing error since Sept. 24, 1989 helped Brewers' starter Teddy Higuera, 9-6, gain the victory. He allowed three runs over 7 2-3 innings. Loser Ben McDonald fell to 5-4.

Mariners 3, Royals 0

At Seattle, rookie Russ Swan and Bill Swift combined on a two- hitter and Jay Buhner's RBI single keyed a three-run seventh inning. Swan, 2-2, lost his no-hit bid in the seventh and Swift notched his fourth save. Steve Crawford, 5-4, took the loss.

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(SEPT. 2) UPI - Major League Leaders:

BATTING (Minimum 335 at-bats)
AMERICAN LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	402	95	132	.328
Palmeiro, Tex	481	59	153	.318
Brett, KC	453	70	143	.316
Trammell, Det	489	65	153	.313
Boggs, Bos	515	75	160	.311
Burks, Bos	468	76	145	.310
Harper, Min	402	53	124	.308
Parker, Mil	497	62	153	.308
McGriff, Tor	442	78	136	.308
JoReed, Bos	487	59	149	.306

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	486	91	166	.342
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Magadan, NY	355	60	117	.330
Gwynn, Sd	522	69	163	.312
Murray, LA	449	74	139	.310
Grace, Chi	480	55	148	.308
Bonds, Pit	422	89	130	.308
Dawson, Chi	426	54	131	.308
Wallach, Mtl	502	54	154	.307
L.Smith, Atl	365	53	111	.304

HOME RUNS

American League - Fielder, Det 42; Canseco, Oak 35; McGwire, Oak 33; McGriff, Tor 29; Deer, Mil 26 and Gruber, Tor 24.

National League - Mitchell, SF and Sandberg, Chi 31; Strawberry, NY and Bonilla, Pit 30 and Williams, SF 27.

RUNS BATTED IN

American League - Fielder, Det 111; Canseco, Oak and Gruber, Tor 88; McGwire, Oak 87 and Parker, Mil 85.

National League - Williams, SF and Carter, SD 99; Bonds, Pit 97; Bonilla, Pit 91 and Strawberry, NY 87.

DOUBLES

American League - Jo. Reed, Bos 42; Brett, KC 38; Calderon, Chi and Boggs, Bos 37 and Harper, Min 36.

National League - Jefferies, NY 35; Dykstra, Phi 34; Wallach, Mtl 33; McGee, StL 32 and Sabo, Cin, Roberts, SD, Bonilla, Pit and Johnson, NY 31.

TRIPLES

American League - Fernandez, Tor 16; Sosa, Chi 9; Johnson, Chi, Burks, Bos, Pettis, Tex and Eisenreich, KC 7.

National League - Duncan, Cin 10; Coleman, StL 9; Smith, Atl 8; Thompson, StL, Dunston, Chi and Gwynn, SD 7.

STOLEN BASES

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 53; Sax, NY 34; Kelly, NY 33; Pettis, Tex 30 and Calderon, Chi 29.

National League - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 51; Bonds, Pit 43; Nixon, Mtl 41 and Raines, Mtl 40.

RUNS SCORED

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 95; Fielder, Det 88; Yount, Mil 82; Phillips, Det 79 and Griffey, Jr., Sea and McGriff, Tor 78.

National League - Bonilla, Pit 100; Sandberg, Chi 95; Dykstra, Phi 91; Bonds, Pit 89 and Sabo, Cin and Gant, Atl 86.

HITS

American League - Boggs, Bos 160; Griffey, Jr, Sea 156; Kelly, NY, Palmeiro, Tex, Parker, Mil and Trammell, Det 153.

National League - McGee, StL 168; Dykstra, Phi 166; Gwynn, SD 163; Sandberg, Chi 156 and Larkin, Cin and Wallach, Mtl 154.

VICTORIES

American League - Welch, Oak 22; Clemens, Bos 20; Stewart, Oak 17; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 16.

National League - Drabek, Pit and Viola, NY 17; Martinez, LA 16; Gooden, NY 14; Harkey, Maddux, Chi, Smoltz, Atl, Armstrong, Browning, Cin and Valenzuela, LA 12.

PITCHING
EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 115 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 1.95; Finley, Cal 2.53; Stewart, Oak 2.81 and Appier, KC 2.81 and McCaskill, Cal 2.96.

National League - Whitson, SD 2.35; Tudor, StL 2.45; Viola, NY 2.72; Drabek, Pit 2.77 and Martinez, Mtl 2.92.

STRIKEOUTS

American League - Clemens, Bos 198; Witt, Tex and Ryan, Tex 181; Hanson, Sea 168; Johnson, Sea and Langston, Cal 164.

National League - Martinez, LA 190; Cone, NY 179; Gooden, NY 174; Smoltz, Atl and DeLeon, Stl 148.

SAVES

American League - Thigpen, Chi 46; Eckersley, Oak 40; Jones, Cle 34; Schooler, Sea 30 and Olson, Bal and Righetti, NY 29.

National League -Franco, NY 31; Myers, Cin 27; Lefferts, SD and Smith, StL 22 and Smith, Hou 20.

COMPLETE GAMES

American League - Stewart, Oak 8; Clemens, Bos 7; Brown, Tex, Leary, NY, Young, Sea and Morris, Det 6.

National League - Martinez, LA 8; Maddux, Chi and Viola, NY 7; Smoltz, Atl, Drabek, Pit, Morgan, LA, Martinez, Mtl and Hurst, SD 6.

SHUTOUTS

American League - Clemens, Bos 4; Appier, KC and Stewart, Oak 3; 10 players tied with 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Boyd, Mtl, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 2) UPI - Influential Roman Catholic bishops threw their support Sunday behind President Corazon Aquino's proposed cease-fire with communist rebels, but cautioned the government to study the offer carefully.

Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos, meanwhile, called on Filipinos Sunday to unite in the face of extremist threats against the government and the economic difficulties the nation is undergoing because of the devasting July 16 earthquake and the Persian Gulf crisis. Ramos spoke to some 50,000 Filipinos who attended the annual "Walk for a Cause" march at the seaside Rizal Park.

The most Rev. Teodoro Bacani, spokesman for the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines, said the church leaders in Asia's only Christian nation preferred a "peaceful way" to settle the nation's bloody 21-year insurgency.

"The ways to peace should be peaceful as much as possible so we are happy if ever there are small chances like that (proposed cease-fire)," said Bacani in a radio interview.

"But we also understand that the government should study very well those offers of a cease-fire because it might be used to destroy peace. You know God has said, 'Be wise as serpents, not only simple as doves'."

Aquino's security advisers began discussions Saturday with groups proposing the peace talks and agreed to pursue the effort "with utmost caution." The peace advocates were represented by Sen. Wigberto Tanada and leaders of church and human rights groups.

Peace talks with the 19,000-member New People's Army, the armed wing of the outlawed Communist Party, collapsed in February 1987 over rebel demands for power-sharing.

Officials said a truce with rebel soldiers led by former Army Col. Gregorio Honasan also was mentioned, but further discussions were discontinued. Honasan terminated a cease-fire he unilaterally called after the quake and has ordered the resumption of attacks against the government.

In another development, the military said six followers of another right-wing leader, Col. Alexander Noble, and four troopers were killed in a gunbattle Saturday in Agusan del Sur province, 500 miles south of Manila.

A former deputy chief of Aquino's security unit, Noble joined the December uprising and later escaped to Mindanao in a bid to establish a breakaway

state, the military said. At least 119 people were killed and more than 500 were wounded in the December uprising, the sixth and worst against Aquino.

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PERTH, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 2) UPI - Robert Holmes a'court, one of Australia's most successful businessmen, died Sunday after suffering a massive heart attack at his home. He was 53. Holmes a'court, chairman of the Bell Group, was at one time described as Australia's richest man, but suffered badly during the 1987 stock crash.

"I think Australia is the worse off for not having the on-going participation of a great man of vision, as Holmes a'court was," said Alan Bond, chairman of Bond Corporation, which is closely associated with the Bell Group.

In his high-profile career, Holmes a'court made forays into some of the biggest companies, both in Australia and overseas, including Australia's market leader, Broken Hill Propriatory. He was also a prominent racehorse breeder and owner, whose thoroughbreds won a number of major races. His horse Black Knight won the Melbourne Cup in 1971.

Holmes a'court suffered a heart attack at his Perth suburban home early Sunday morning. He was rushed to the hospital but was reportedly dead on arrival.

Holmes a'court began his career in 1969 and by 1985 he was described by Australian Business Review Weekly as Australia's richest man. The magazine valued his fortune then at $240 million. He is survived by his wife and four children.

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SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (SEPT. 2) UPI - South Korean Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon and his North Korean counterpart will meet this week in the highest-level contact ever between the two Koreas.

The unprecedented talks in Seoul will focus on ending political and military confrontation and promoting exchanges and cooperation between the Korean states, which were divided 45 years ago.

A seven-member North Korean delegation led by Prime Minister Yon Hyong-muk will cross into the south through the truce village of Panmunjom 35 miles north of Seoul Tuesday morning, accompanied by 33 support personnel and a 48-man press corps.

The first meeting, to be held Wednesday morning, will be open to news coverage and televised live. The second session, scheduled for Thursday, will be held behind closed doors. The North Koreans will return home Friday through the truce village.

A second round of prime minister-level talks is scheduled in the North Korean capital of Pyongyang on Oct. 16-19. Later sessions, not yet scheduled, will be alternated between the two capitals.

This week's talks will mark the first visit to Seoul by an official North Korean delegation since September 1985. There have been contacts between the two Koreas since then, all at Panmunjom.

Seoul officials said they are ready to discuss any issues the North may raise, including arms control, a non-aggression pact and U.N. membership for the two Koreas.

Seoul hopes for some agreement, even a provisional one, on exchanges of people and goods between the two sides as the first step toward building up mutual trust, government sources said. Analysts said North Korea may focus on military issues, hoping to speed up the withdrawal of about 43,000 U.S. troops stationed in South Korea.

The North Koreans may also want to discuss the U.N. membership question. Seoul has proposed that the two Koreas seek separate U.N. membership simultaenously. Pyongyang has opposed the idea, saying it would perpetuate Korean division, and insists that South and North Korea share a single seat in the world body.

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AGANA, GUAM (SEPT. 2) UPI - The widow of former Gov. Ricardo Bordallo won a decisive primary victory to become the Democratic Party gubernatorial candidate in the Nov. 6 general election, returns showed Sunday.

The final count from the Saturday primary showed Sen. Madeleine Bordallo ahead by 3,000 votes over former Lt. Gov. Rudolph Sablan, who served under Bordallo's husband from 1974 to 1978. Sen. Bordallo is currently serving her second term in Guam's unicameral 21-seat legislature.

The late governor committed suicide last February on the day he was scheduled to leave for California to begin a three-year prison sentence. He was found guilty in federal court on several charges of corruption in office. Sen. Bordallo will face current Gov. Joseph Ada, in the the general election. Ada had no opposition in Saturday's Republican primary.

Guam's congressional delegate, Ben Blaz, a Republican, was more than 1,000 votes ahead of his challenger, Ben Pangilinan. Neither candidate had party opposition as in the gubernatorial race. they will face eacohother again in the november 6, general election.

Election officials said Saturday's primary had one of the lowest turnouts in Guam's history. Only 28,000 of the 39,000 registered voters went to the polls.

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AMMAN, JORDAN (SEPT. 2) UPI - U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar said Sunday that two days of talks with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz produced no "real progress" toward an accord on the Persian Gulf crisis, blaming Iraq's refusal to withdraw from Kuwait.

"As I leave Amman, I must acknowlege a certain disappointment because I had hoped for more in my discussions with Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz," Perez de Cuellar said before departing for Paris, where he was to open a special U.N. conference and possibly meet with King Hussein, who is on a European tour.

He attempted to maintain an air of optimism, saying that the Helsinki meeting set for Sept. 9 between President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev raised "some hope" for "a resolution."

Reading from a prepared statement, Perez de Cuellar told a packed news conference at Hussein's tightly guarded, fortress-like palace that he planned to brief the U.N. Security Council later in the week on his discussions with Aziz.

"I should have liked to inform the council that real progress had been made during the discussions here in Amman. But in all honesty, I cannot do so at present, nor can I anticipate the council's reaction," he said.

Asked why more than seven hours of talks on Friday and Saturday had not brought movement toward an accord to avert war in the Gulf, Perez de Cuellar said Aziz had failed to convey Baghdad's readiness to withdraw from Kuwait without conditions as demanded by U.N. Security Council resolutions.

"If we want to start solving the problem, we have to go to the root of the problem, that is the invasion and annexation of Kuwait," Perez de Cuellar said. "It is for me and the United Nations, the main problem is the occupation and annexation of Kuwait by Iraq. "If this problem is solved, all the others will be immediately solved," he said.

Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2 in a dispute over oil production and

territory, prompting the deployment of a multinational military contingent in the gulf and Saudi Arabia, dominated by U.S. forces and including troops from several Arab states.

The Security Council approved resolutions calling for an Iraqi withdrawal, approving severe trade sanctions on Iraq and Kuwait enforceable by military means and demanding a restoration of the exiled Kuwaiti royal family and freedom for all foreigners.

The government of President Saddam Hussein has conveyed conflicting stances, saying that his annexation of Kuwait is irreversible, but then linking the issue to an Israeli withdrawal from its own occupied territories and a Syrian pullout from Lebanon.

Asked if Aziz had given any indication that Iraq was prepared to alter its position on a pullout, Perez de Cuellar replied: "Not in a manner which I had expected." "A clear cut determination to withdraw from Kuwait, that is what I had expected," he said.

Perez de Cuellar welcomed Saddam's agreement to free thousands of foreign women and children held hostage in Kuwait and Iraq as a shield against attack. But he added he did not consider the step "sufficient," calling on Saddam to release thousands of foreign men, many of whom have been moved to strategic sites in Iraq and Kuwait.

Perez de Cuellar said he was prepared to hold further talks to resolve the crisis, adding that "we all need to work with a sense of determination and urgency."

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DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA (SEPT. 2) UPI - Thousands of Tanzanians flocked to hear Pope John Paul II celebrate mass Sunday at Jangwani Grounds, a park on the outskirts of the Indian Ocean port of Dar Es Salaam.

The pope on Saturday had charmed flag-waving crowds that had swarmed into Dar Es Salaam for the previous week to greet him on his arrival for an 11-day African tour. The pontiff began his speech in Swahili, the official language of the East African country.

Calling himself a pilgrim of peace among followers of different religions, the pope went on to say: "I am confident that good relations will increase and flourish among Tanzanian Christians and those of the Islamic faith."

Tanzania has seen growing tension in the past five years between coastal Moslems and up-country Christians. President Ali Hassan Mwinyi, a Moslem and the chosen successor of former president and devout Christian Julius

Nyerere, told the pope that the secularity of the state was the bedrock of the country's unity.

The pope soon after his arrival also tackled two of the continent's gravest problems: AIDS and refugees. In a speech to an audience of diplomats, the pope called for a massive international effort to combat acquired immune deficiency syndrome, a major killer of both men and women in sub-Saharan Africa.

He also called for further help for the five million refugees and 13 million displaced persons on the continent, made homeless by wars and failed development policies. The pope repeated his hopes that violent conflict in the Persian Gulf could be avoided.

On his seventh African tour, his 49th trip outside Italy since he was elected head of the Roman Catholic Church in 1978, John Paul plans to leave Tanzania Sept. 5 for tiny landlocked Burundi, which borders Tanzania to the west. From there, his itinerary takes him north on Sept. 7 to neighboring Rwanda.

He then flies across the continent to Ivory Coast, where he plans Sept. 10 to consecrate an enormous and controversial basilica built at the cost of the equivalent of $150 million by President Felix Houphouet-Boigny.

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SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (SEPT. 2) UPI - U.S. Attorney General Richard Thornburgh arrived in Seoul Sunday to take part in the four-day Conference of Attorneys General of Asia and the Pacific.

The meeting runs from Monday through Thursday and has attracted top prosecutors from 22 countries. The purpose is to discuss ways to fight drugs and organized crime, Korean organizers said.

Among the participants will be Soviet Prosecutor General Alexander Sukharev, the highest ranking Soviet official ever to visit South Korea. He arrived on Friday.

Participants in the meeting also include officials from Japan, Australia, India, Indonesia, Thailand, Taiwan, and Mongolia.

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NAIROBI, KENYA (SEPT. 2) UPI - The disease that wiped out half of Europe in the Middle Ages, bubonic plague, has struck in the Kenyan capital, killing three, putting 23 in the hospital and sending hundreds rushing for

checkups by Sunday, local newspapers reported.

The plague, known in 14th century Britain as "The Black Death," broke out late last week among workers at a grain store in eastern Nairobi, swiftly killing the three men, the newspapers said.

Local health authorities ordered the burning of all garbage in the Embakasi area, a mile from Nairobi's Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, in order to discourage plague-infested rats, thought initially to have been attracted by the granaries in the area.

The plague is caused by a bacterium, yersinia pestis, carried by rat fleas which pass the disease to humans by biting them. It was incurable until the discovery of antibiotics this century, but is now treated relatively easily if caught in its early stages.

If not so treated, however, bubonic plague - whose symptoms are headaches, swollen glands and lumps on the skin - can develop into the highly contagious pneumonic plague, which attacks the lungs and is spread by coughing.

Plague has killed millions of people throughout history, sweeping repeatedly across ancient Greece and Rome, and emptying whole regions of northern Europe between the 10th and 17th centuries.

Most recently, an estimated ten million people died of plague in India at the beginning of this century. Isolated outbreaks have occurred in recent years in the United States, Europe, Asia, and Africa.

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BEIJING (SEPT. 2) UPI - A state-run magazine renewed the government's defense of communism Sunday, insisting China will not follow liberalizations in Eastern Europe and warning such changes could cause a "recurrence of civil war."

"To follow the capitalist road would undermine the political and economic foundation of the country's unification ... and result in different political factions and turmoil," said the signed article in the Beijing Review, an English-language weekly. The article is to appear in the Review's Monday edition. Excerpts were carried by the official Xinhua news agency.

The article was a fresh defense of the hard line on communism the government has maintained since the June 1989 crackdown on the pro-democracy movement. Chinese leaders have steadfastly warned the country will not match the sweeping reforms in Eastern Europe.

"After the rapid change in the situation in Eastern Europe, some foreigners hoped that China would follow suit," the article said, but added that any conclusion that communism had collapsed "does not apply to China."

Moving back towards capitalism would create large gaps between rich and poor and lead to "a forest of factions, each dominating a region, each doing things in its own way and, in the process, each trying to eliminate the other," the article said.

"If the conspiracy to negate socialism and create internal disorder in China were allowed to succeed, it would mean recurrence of civil war," the Beijing Review said.

The excerpts did not elaborate on the alleged conspiracy, but Chinese hardliners h'vi repeatedly warned of an ongoing effort by dissidents at home and unspecified foreign forces to subvert communism.

If such turmoil erupted, the article said, "people would flee the country" and there would be as many as 100 million Chinese refugees, so "maintaining stability in China is not only in China's own interest, but also a responsibility to the world and humanity."

The article said China's setbacks were not the fault of socialism, but rather "were caused by erroneous guidelines and a rigid management system and methodology."

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 2) UPI - Some blacks contend that white racism is to blame for the lack of publicity about a Kenyan drug hailed as an inexpensive cure for AIDS, it was reported Sunday.

Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi announced earlier in the summer that a cure for acquired immune deficiency syndrome had been found, a drug called Kemron that is marketed by the Kenyan government.

But blacks involved in the debate say that white-dominated news organizations did not publicize the drug because of a racially based distrust of African science, The New York Times reported. The blacks also said the drug was played down because it posed competition for expensive AIDS medications offered by the white medical establishment.

About 800 New Yorkers, most of them white, are thought to have tried one form of the drug, low-dosage alpha interferon taken orally, apparently with little success. Hundreds more in Dallas and Fort Lauderdale, Fla. were using a different form, the newspaper said.

"I don't know how this works but there's nothing else that holds a candle to it," said Ronald Woodroof, who founded the Dallas Buyers Club. He said that after 122 days on the drug, he feels better than even before he had AIDS.

The Black Leadership Commission on AIDS, a group of New York professionals and religious leaders, is studying the drug and The Amsterdam News, a weekly black newspaper, has run front page stories about it. WLIB, a black-oriented New York radio station, has also reported on the drug.

Kenyan scientists claim they have documented benefits in more than 1,000 patients there, including 50 who say they no longer test positive for the AIDS virus. There have been no such cases among Americans.

AIDS specialists have reacted with curiosity and disbelief and the World Health Organization's attempt to duplicate Kenya's findings produced data that Kemron proponents called supportive but skeptics said were discouraging, The Times said.

The Amsterdam News suggested the study results were ignored because of an attitude that "blacks could not possibly have come up with an effective therapy or cure for AIDS that has eluded white scientists."

"If this had come out of Sweden or somewhere else, it would have been Page 1 everywhere," said Wilbert Tatum, editor in chief of The Amsterdam News.

Articles about the drug appeared in major newspapers as early as April and then in the homosexual and black press. A delegation of black New Yorkers, including Dr. Barbara Justice, visited Nairobi a month ago to learn more about the drug. Justice said she was impressed by the results and would like to see the drug pursued.

AIDS groups, organized most often by homosexuals, have clashed with the medical community in recent years over the system for testing experimental drugs. The debate over Kemron is the sparked by blacks, among whom the number of AIDS cases is increasing rapidly.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 2) UPI - Seven months ago, President Bush nixed a Chinese attempt to purchase a Seattle aerospace firm that held classified Navy contracts, citing potential national security risks posed by the takeover.

Bush acted in the case of MAMCO Inc., a manufacturer of aerospace parts for such industry giants as Boeing. It was the first time such a purchase

has been prevented under a 1988 law empowering the president to prohibit or modify any merger, acquisition or takeover of a U.S. company by a foreign firm if the transaction could threaten national security.

In the two years since the law took effect, the government has received notification of more than 425 foreign takeovers of U.S. firms, including those in the most sensitive high-technology and defense-related industries.

The government, however, has formally reviewed only ten of those transactions and stepped in only in the case of MAMCO, which was targeted by the agency that handles purchases for China's Ministry of Defense.

Critics claim that much of America's technology base - the key to the nation's economic vitality and defense capability - is on the international auction block and that neither the Reagan nor the Bush adminstrations have done much to stop it.

Congress is considering legislation to strengthen restrictions on certain foreign takeovers, but it has received a mixed reception from industry and strong opposition from the Bush administration. "We don't want to see America fall behind," said Rep. Doug Walgren, D-Pa., who introduced the legislation.

"If you don't protect the civilian technology base, you put the military technology base directly at risk," said Walgren, chairman of the House subcommittee on commerce, consumer protection and competitiveness. "And you create circumstances under which we will be absolutely dependent on foreign powers for certain kinds of technologies."

Foreign ownership of American interests, such as manufacturing, petroleum, agriculture, real estate, and banking, amounted to $401 billion at the end of 1989 - a nearly 400 percent increase over a decade ago, according to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Japanese, French, German and other foreign owners control an expanding share of such leading-edge industries as semiconductors, computers, robotics, fiber optics, advanced materials, and software.

The latest available government figures show foreign firms account for 14.7 percent of U.S. manufacturing assets, 4.1 percent of the nation's jobs and 4.3 percent of the nation's gross national product.

The Walgren legislation, which would amend a provision of the 1988 Trade and Competitiveness Act, would give the president new powers to restrict foreign takeovers. It also requires an interagency government panel to formally investigate all foreign takeovers of high-technology and defense-related industries deemed "essential" to national security.

The legislation would allow the president to impose such conditions as assurances that a takeover would not harm national security, that U.S. customers would not lose supply and that technology would not be transferred out of the United States. National security would be expanded to include consideration of whether a purchase would undermine the nation's civilian industrial and technology base.

"Mind you, we're not saying foreign investment should be stopped," Walgren said. "We're simply saying that foreign investment when it involves control of essential technology should be reviewed and thought about."

The administration argues that the legislation runs counter to the long-held "open door" U.S. policy toward foreign investment. The measure "will have a severe chilling effect on foreign investment" and "ignores the positive impact of foreign direct investment on the U.S. economy," said John Niehuss, the Treasury Department's international economic policy chief.

"It sends a strong negative signal that foreign investment is not welcome in the United States, contradicting 200 years of U.S. policy," Niehuss said. Niehuss also said the measure would weaken the ability of U.S. firms to attract capital, promotes unwarranted government intervention in business and invites retaliation by other nations against investment by U.S. firms.

The National Association of Manufacturers, which represents 13,000 U.S. firms, claims the measure could hurt the U.S. manufacturers' export boom. Howard Lewis, the group's vice president for international economic affairs, pointed out that the United States long has sought to persuade other countries to reduce barriers to direct investment by U.S. firms.

"It is ironic that just as we're beginning to see signs of progress in this area - look at some of the investment treaties we've signed with Eastern Europe - that we then are turning around and potentially making it more difficult for foreign countries in our country," Lewis said.

One industry strongly in favor of the Walgren measure is the superconductor industry, which has been ravaged by foreign takeovers. In addition, a Defense Department advisory panel has released a report supporting restrictions on foreign takeovers of key firms.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 2) UPI - About one in four American households had at least one family member who was a victim of crime last year, the Justice Department announced Sunday.

"During the last five years, the percentage of households victimized by crime has remained level at about 25 percent," said Steven Dillingham, director of the department's Bureau of Justice Statistics. "In 1975, when this statistical series commenced, about one in three households was struck by crime."

During 1989, the department said, statistics showed that black households, households with higher incomes and households in cities were more vulnerable to crime: 29 percent of black households, 27 percent of households with incomes of $25,000 or more and 31 percent of urban households experienced crimes.

Since 1986, the percentage of urban households hit by crime has risen to 31 percent from 28 percent. The rate for rural households has fallen to 17 percent from 20 percent, the department said.

As in earlier years, homes in the Northeast were the least vulnerable to crime in 1989, 19 percent; homes in the West were the most vulnerable, 30 percent; and homes in the South experienced a crime rate of 25 percent, while homes in the Midwest had a 24 percent rate.

The Justice Department defines a household as a group of people living together in a dwelling unit such as a house or apartment. A household was victimized by crime if it suffered one of the following:

- a burglary, motor vehicle theft, or a theft from the household.
- a household member 12 years or older was raped, robbed, assaulted, or was
  the victim of a theft at home or elsewhere.

An estimated 22.8 million of the 95 million households in the United States experienced one or more of the specified crimes last year, the department said.

One in 13 households suffered what the department termed crimes of high concern, those where people were burglarized or had a family member who was the victim of a violent crime committed by a stranger.

The department noted that the percentage of households affected by crime has never shown a year-to-year increase since the crime indicator was begun in 1975.

Individual components of the indicator have changed a little, however. Last year the percentage of households that experienced a burglary declined moderately, and the percentage that experienced a household theft was sightly higher.

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LONDON (SEPT. 2) UPI - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said Sunday whatever action Britain has to take to deter Iraqi President Sadddam Hussein will not be influenced by the foreign hostages he has taken.

Nearly 200 British women and children who had been prevented from leaving Iraq and Kuwait by Saddam for four weeks landed aboard an Iraqi Airways jumbo jet at London's Heathrow Airport just before dawn.

Among them was Stuart Lockwood, the five-year-old boy with a solemn face that Saddam stroked on television, invoking international accusations that the Iraqi leader was hiding behind women and children.

"We are getting out people who had a right to come out," said. Foreign Minister William Waldegrave, who met the plane. "This is not a bargaining situation, this is a matter of the law being obeyed." He said there was "a real prospect" of freedom for more women and children.

"The expectation is that more will be granted exit visas," but additional departures are not imminent, a Foreign Office spokesman said. About 2,900 Britons remain in Iraq and Kuwait, which Saddam took control of Aug. 2 in a land and oil dispute.

Thatcher, known for her hardline against the captors of three British men in Beirut - Terry Waite, John McCarthy, and Jackie Mann - said she likewise would not be intimidated by Saddam's hostage taking.

"If you in fact allow the taking of hostages, terrible as it is, to determine your action against a dictator he has won," Thatcher said in an interview with David Frost on TV-AM.

"And all he'll ever do, or anyone else with similar ambitions will do, is to take hostages, knowing that other people would then never take the requisite action to stop such a dictator." Thatcher also warned that when the crisis is resolved individual Iraqis could be prosecuted for "cold and brutal acts."

The Britons who were freed along with French and Americans celebrated under the harsh glare of television lights upon landing in London. Their relief was tempered, however, by having to leave loved ones behind. Men were not released.

"I just wish I was with my dad," said Stuart Wickett, who speculated his father had been taken to a military installation in Iraq as part of Saddam's "human shield" against attacks.

He and others had little else to say, fearful for those who remained in

Iraqi custody. "They made sure that they treated us well," Wickett said of his captors. "They needed to, really."

Alma Pennington said she was kept with a small hut for three days. She was one of the participants in "guests news," Saddam's televised propaganda campaign. "They wanted us to say we enjoy being his guests," she said. "That we enjoyed being a pawn on a chessboard." No one in her group complied, she said.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 2) UPI - Black leader Nelson Mandela returned home unannounced Sunday from a week-long tour of four African nations, including a controversial stop in Libya, as renewed factional fighting erupted in townships outside the city.

An official of Mandela's African National Congress said the 72-year-old Mandela slipped back into the country to avoid crowds of journalists and go through customs without delay. He arrived from Zambia with a message for President Frederik de Klerk from other African states to end all factional conflicts in South Africa.

Fighting had flared in townships around Johannesburg overnight, killing at least 17 people and shattering a tenuous peace enforced by the imposition in late August of emergency rule in the stricken areas.

Police Capt. Eugene Opperman said patrols found the bodies of many people shot or hacked to death in Thokoza and Tembisa after an unidentified group of men armed with rifles and sharpened weapons "went on a rampage" late Saturday.

The deaths come only hours after the signing of a regional peace accord Saturday between the ANC and arch rival Inkatha in the north of hard-hit Natal province, since 1987 the scene of the worst fighting between the groups.

A member of Mandela's household confirmed the ANC deputy president and de facto leader had arrived back at his Soweto home, but said he would not be issuing any immediate statement regarding his time abroad or local matters. "Libya, the violence, and everything else will be discussed at a press conference on Monday," he said.

Mandela also visited Norway and Algeria, and in Tripoli apparently sought funds for the ANC from Libya's Col. Moammar Gadhafi, one of the movement's most stalwart foreign supporters.

Mandela has refused to condemn Libya's exporting of terrorism, cutting off

questions and criticism on the issue. He said in an address last month, "We don't all share the same enemies."

In Lusaka, leaders of a coalition of seven southern African states working against apartheid and known as the "Frontline States," ended a one-day summit Saturday with the appeal to de Klerk to end the black strife.

The meeting of Zambia, Angola, Botswana, Mozambique, Tanzania, Namibia, and Zimbabwe sent with Mandela "a message to Mr. de Klerk to stop the carnage," group chairman and Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda said.

De Klerk imposed emergency rule on 27 townships straddling Johannesburg Aug. 24, giving police and the army sweeping powers to quell the violence between the multi-tribal supporters of Mandela's ANC and followers of the exclusively Zulu Inkatha movement that in two weeks last month killed more than 500 people.

Police said the latest deaths, in three townships east of Johannesburg, followed attacks late Saturday by an unidentified group of men armed with rifles and sharp weapons and a separate attack by gunmen on an opposing group.

Mandela had condemned the imposition of the emergency rule as "totally useless," noting the three-month renewable measures would not solve the problem of what the ANC calls Inkatha provocation.

Battles between the two sides in Natal have killed up to 4,000 people since 1987, and De Klerk reimposed a state of emergency there June 8 while lifting it after four years in the country's other three provinces in a move to placate anti-apartheid movements.

Despite denials from Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi, the ANC has insisted he has fomented the violence to undercut Mandela's position as preeminent black leader ahead of full-blown power-sharing talks with the white minority government.

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BANGKOK, THAILAND (SEPT. 2) UPI - Cambodian President Heng Samrin has agreed to a new round of peace talks in Indonesia meant to clear the way for a political settlement on the basis of a U.N. peace plan, official Phnom Penh radio reports. The talks could take place within a few days.

"We welcome the meeting in Jakarta in order to complete the formation of the Supreme National Council (SNC) and arrange the SNC meeting to discuss the document of the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council," Heng Samrin said in a speech broadcast late Saturday.

U.S. officials have said the talks in the Indonesian capital and the U.N. peace plan backed by all the superpowers may provide the last good chance for a political settlement of the 11-year-old conflict.

Previously, the Vietnamese-backed Heng Samrin government insisted that the National Council had already been formed in an agreement signed in June, but never implemented.

The Khmer Rouge, the most powerful of the three resistance groups, rejected the June agreement, demanding on a larger and more explicit role in the Council.

On Sunday, the resistance radio "Voice of the Khmer" said the Jakarta meeting was planned for Sept. 5-8 and that confirmation of the meeting date would be officially confirmed soon. It said the meeting would also discuss a peace plan formulated by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council.

Heng Samrin said the Jakarta meeting should "discuss the preparations for the first meeting of the SNC to continue solving all remaining problems, such as the U.N. seat, the SNC's composition, role, and duty, and the agenda, place, and chairman of the first meeting of the SNC.

The Cambodian leader said he welcomed the plan worked out by the five permanent members - Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and, the United States.

The backing of China, which arms the Khmer Rouge, and the Soviet Union, which provides military aid to the Heng Samrin government, has stepped up the pressure on both Cambodian factions to accept the U.N. plan.

But, in a list of "five fundamental principles" for ending the conflict, Heng Samrin said that the question of what to do with the various armed forces should be left for the government elected in planned general elections. This contrasts with the U.N. plan, which envisions a program confining the armed forces of all sides to separate camps and disarming them.

Heng Samrin, who defected from the Khmer Rouge in 1978, also insisted that any peace plan must be able to prevent the Khmer Rouge from returning to power or restarting the civil war after the elections. He said there must be a cease-fire and an end to terrorism.

Khmer Rouge radio Sunday said a statement last week by Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach opposing disarmament of all sides in Cambodia showed that the Vietnamese did not want to end the conflict. It charged that Vietnam still has 70,000 regular troops in Cambodia and another

30,000 soldiers mixed in with the Cambodian army.

"If the over 100,000 troops are disarmed, this will not only affect the Vietnamese strategy of swallowing Cambodia, but also reveal to the world the true tortuous, tricky and perfidious nature of Vietnam which has intensely told a pack of lies about having completely withdrawn its forces from Cambodia in September 1989," the broadcast said.

Western intelligence sources have said they do not have any evidence of large Vietnamese units in Cambodia since the September pullout, although advisers, technicians and possibly small combat units are believed to have remained behind.

A Vietnamese invasion in December 1978 ousted the Khmer Rouge government, blamed for the deaths of more than one million Cambodians during nearly four years in power.

The two resistance groups officially backed by the United States are followers of the non-communist former monarch, Prince Norodom Sihanouk, and the former Prime Minister, Son Sann, also an anti-communist. The Soviet Union backs the Vietnamese-installed regime in Phnom Penh.

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OKA, QUEBEC (SEPT. 2) UPI - Heavily-armed Canadian soldiers Sunday inched toward a group of armed and defiant Mohawk Indians in an operation to end a seven-week-old dispute involving Indian burial grounds being turned into a golf course by developers.

Army spokeswoman Capt. Lynne Bermel said the government forces, some on foot and others in armored prsonnel carriers, were following "the principles of our military operation (and) have moved forward progressively and deliberately."

She said the army took the Mohawks' remaining and largest barricade at 8:45 a.m. EDT and that military engineers were checking out the area for "explosives and booby-traps."

The tension between soldiers and Mohawk Warriors shown in face-to-face encounters in television reports from the reserve Sunday has decreased, Bermel said. "It seems to be a lot calmer now," she said.

The Mohawk Nation Office, however, issued several grim statements early Sunday decrying the army's actions in the standoff. "The armed advances against our people are equivalent to the first shot. Therefore, Canada and Quebec have fired the first shots against our people," the statement said. In another statement, the Mohawks pleaded for United Nations help, saying,

"You must act now before it is too late."

About 300 troops were in control of most of the reserve, and have driven about two dozen members of the militant Mohawk Warriors and an unknown number of women and children to an area called "The Pines," an Indian drug and treatment center.

The army has established "defensive positions", Bermel said, including the setting up of barbed wire fences. There was little resistance Saturday to the army's advance other than shouting matches between combat-ready soldiers and the militants. There were reports of a handful of single shots being fired Saturday and overnight but no one was reported injured.

Army spokesmen said the troops were redeployed onto the reserve to ensure "the safety of civilians and soldiers in the area." At a second standoff site at the Kahnawake reserve near Chateauguay, south of Montreal, troops Saturday moved in and removed a barricade on a key commuter bridge.

An army spokesman said Sunday asphalt was being laid and safety inspections were underway but the public wasn't expected to gain access to the area for "a couple of days."

Talks for a peaceful, non-military, settlement of the natives standoffs collapsed Thursday after the Quebec government refused to return to the negotiating table.

The collapse upset some Mohawk negotiators who said there was a split between moderate, traditional Mohawks and militant members of the Warriors Society who were pressing a demand for Indian sovereignty.

The dispute in the two communities began several months ago over a proposed expansion of the Oka golf course on land that Mohawks on the Kanesatake reserve claim is an ancient burial ground. The dispute turned violent when a police officer was killed July 11. Days later, sympathetic Indians at the Kahnawake reserve blocked highways and the Mercier bridge.

More than 3,000 heavily armed soldiers, equipped with tanks and armored personnel carriers, have been poised for several days at the Kahnawake and Kanesatake reserves awaiting orders to dismantle the barricades.

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KOLOLI, GAMBIA (SEPT. 2) UPI - A conference aimed at ending Liberia's civil war concluded Sunday with an announcement that an interim exile government had been formed but would remain in the background until multinational forces can establish order in Monrovia.

The "national unity" government named by 60 Liberian participants is part of the peace effort by the five-nation Economic Community of West African States and calls for the removal of President Samuel Doe.

Under the plan, the government would be seated for one year before elections are held. Few details about the composition of the government, including its president, were officially released.

Some 3,000 troops from the five-nation West African alliance are seeking to establish order in Liberia so that the government can be installed. But guerrilla leader Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front, who boycotted the conference, continued to battle troops from the alliance.

Battlefield reports said that some Liberian government forces have joined troops from the West African alliance in efforts to stop Taylor, even though Doe's regime opposes the alliance and refused to recognize the conference.

Participants in the National Conference on the Future of Liberia declined to confirm the naming of political scientist Amos Sawyer as president. Sawyer's administration will remain in Gambia until the peacekeeping forces establish order in Monrovia, the sources said.

Sources who spoke on the condition of anonymity said Sawyer was sworn in Thursday night at the Kairaba Beach Hotel in Kololi, where the conference was held.

Sources also said a vice president and 35-seat national assembly were named, excluding the Doe government but allowing for representation from Taylor's forces and another rebel faction headed by Prince Johnson, who has agreed to a cease-fire. A delegation from the conference was to meet with Taylor to try to persuade him to participate in the government and end the fighting.

The West African alliance includes Gambia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Guinea, and Ghana. Their intervention has been opposed by Burkina Faso, which has reportedly supplied arms to Taylor's faction, a factor that could prolong hostilities.

Sawyer was named by Doe in 1982 to help write Liberia's constitution but jailed in 1984 after trying to build a coalition of parties to oppose Doe in the 1985 elections. His Liberian People's Party was banned before that election.

Bishop Ronald Diggs was chosen as vice president of the interim government, conference sources said. Diggs has been bishop of the Lutheran Church of Liberia since 1984 and was an founding member of the Interfaith Mediation Committee moderating the conference.

He has also held executive positions with the Liberian Council of Churches an organization criticized by Doe for its allegations on human rights abuses in the country.

In the National Assembly, Taylor was given six seats and the speaker of the house to entice him to join the government, according to sources. Johnson, who heads the National Patriotic Front, was named minister of defense and his party given four seats and the deputy speaker post.

The Johnson delegation earlier proposed a 6,500-man "national defense service" to replace the multinational peacekeeping forces before elections but no official announcement was made on the proposal. Many of the delegates to the national assembly are Liberians living in exile in the United States, according to sources.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 2) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze held four hours of talks Sunday in Pyongyang with his North Korean counterpart, Kim Yong Nam, the official Soviet news agency Tass reported.

The discussions focused on "the situation on the Korean peninsula" as well as bilateral relations and the Persian Gulf crisis, Tass said. A key issue was expected to be Pyongyang's concerns about increased Soviet contacts with South Korea recently.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev met with South Korean President Roe Tae-Woo while in the United States in June and there have been increasing trade and diplomatic contacts. North Korea is one of the few Soviet bloc states not yet touched by the dramatic reforms sparked by Gorbachev's glasnost and perestroika policies.

Tass carried few details of Shevardnadze's talks with Kim, which were to continue Monday morning, quoting the Korean official as saying only that "the interest in Soviet-Korean talks is extremely high both in the Democratic People's Republic of (North) Korea and abroad."

Shevardnadze stopped in Pyongyang on an Asian tour that began Saturday in Harbin, China, for talks with Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen. From Korea he will travel to an international conference in the eastern Soviet city of Vladivostok and then to Tokyo for an official visit.

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SRINAGAR, INDIA (SEPT. 2) UPI - Moslem rebels fighting for independence

from Indian rule captured and later decapitated three air force servicemen Sunday and dumped their headless bodies in a village near the military airport on the southern outskirts of the city, police sources said.

The three Indian airmen had been abducted earlier by Moslem rebels, the sources said. Villagers in the town of Wana Bal found the bodies of the three men Sunday morning, the police sources said.

They said the servicemen apparently were killed and with a sharp-edged weapon and their heads severed. Villagers in Wana Bal confirmed that the bodies had been dumped in the town, located near the military airport on the outskirts of Srinagar.

The incident came amid a spate of violence Sunday in the northern Kashmir Valley. At least five other people were killed in the attacks and ten were wounded, police sources and witnesses said. The Press Trust of India news agency said at least 11 other people were killed and 38 wounded in the violence.

In the old city of Srinagar, rebels hurled a grenade at a military patrol and soldiers retaliated by firing at civilians and setting ablaze five houses, four shops and a mosque, witnesses said.

The witnesses said at least two civilians were killed in the incident, including a shopkeeper who was summoned from his store by soldiers and shot dead at point-blank range. Six other civilians were wounded, the witnesses said.

Two Moslem men were found dead in different towns in the Kashmir Valley, apparently slain by Moslem rebels who thought they were informants for the security forces, police sources said.

The violence came as Moslem rebel groups issued a series of stern warnings to state government employees Sunday, saying if they failed to participate in a scheduled five-day strike they would be "punished severely."

The warnings came after leaders of the estimated 175,000 government workers decided to cancel the strike. Representatives of the state employees said they called off the walkout because the government agreed to consider a series of nine demands, including investigation of alleged atrocities by security forces.

The threats representated a potential break between the militant groups and the government workers, who have been sympathetic to rebel demands for secession while maintaining a distance from their violent activities.

The Jammu and Kashmir Liberation Front, in a statement published in the region's newspapers, appealed for "all employees, including students in

educational institutions, to make the strike a success." It also warned that "saboteurs will be killed."

But Abdul Hamid Matto, the head of a committee representing government workers, said, "We are completely satisfied with our agreement with the government."

"It will not be possible to review the decision already taken," he added. Matto criticized the militants for interfering in the matter, saying, "This can give the government an idea that our strike was an extension of the militants' program."

Matto and another representative of the workers, Naeem Ahmad, said they had been contacted by the militants after the decision to cancel the strike, which was to begin Monday. "We have to bear threats from all sides that is, (from) the government and the militants both," Ahmad said.

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MEXICO CITY (SEPT. 2) UPI - Peruvian novelist Mario Vargas Llosa slipped out of Mexico, leaving intellectual circles abuzz over his televised remarks calling Mexico "the perfect dictatorship," news reports said Sunday.

Vargas Llosa - who lost Peruvian presidential elections to Alberto Fujimori earlier this year - had come to Mexico to participate in a televised roundtable discussion of intellectuals, organized by Mexican writer and poet Octavio Paz.

"Vargas Llosa left the meeting titled '20th Century, Experience of Freedom', and the country, late Friday night while being described by Mexican intellectuals as a right-wing writer who deserved to be defeated as he was in the presidential elections in his country," said the Mexico City daily newspaper Uno Mas Uno in a front page story.

Paz wrote a letter to another newspaper, La Jornada, explaining that Vargas Llosa's swift exit was because of family commitments and not because of the reaction his comments had stirred up.

"The absence (from the conference) of my dear friend Mario Vargas Llosa has provoked malicious insinuations ... he had to leave our country in a hurry and fly to London for family reasons," Paz wrote.

On Thursday, the opening day of the discussions, Vargas Llosa said Mexico was "the perfect dicatatorship ... not Communism, nor the Soviet Union, nor Fidel Castro. It is Mexico ... The permanence not of one man, but of an unmovable party."

Mexico's ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party, known by its Spanish initials PRI, has been in power since its formation more than 60 years ago. "I know that all the dictators of Latin America have tried to create an equivalent to the PRI, without achieving it," Vargas Llosa added.

The next round of talks at which Vargas Llosa was scheduled to speak was cancelled, prompting Mexican journalist Federico Campbell to write in Sunday's edition of La Jornada, "This proves the intolerance of the PRI."

President Carlos Salinas de Gortari, interviewed briefly by reporters at the airport in Manzanillo on the Pacific coast, said only, "Vargas Llosa is a good novelist."

The roundtable preceded the 14th National Assembly of the PRI, where party leaders are discussing internal changes to make the party more democratic. One of the major reforms will be in the selection of candidates, particularly those chosen by labor leaders who often need to resort to electoral fraud to win.

Sen. Luis Donaldo Colosio, who was ratified as party chairman before the assembly, declared Saturday an "end to impositions within the PRI."

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#90245u0524 09/02/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 2) UPI - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz ended two days of talks in Jordan with the U-N secretary-general, with an attack on the Security Council. Aziz says the permanent members of the Council are NOT neutral. He named only one- the United States. The Council has passed resolutions demanding Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait. Aziz says he got NOwhere with U-N chief Javier Perez de Cuellar on requests for concessions from those resolutions. Perez de Cuellar said today he is ''disappointed'' about the talks.

Canadian army troops moved onto a Mohawk reservation last night and dismantled barricades... in an effort to end a seven-week standoff. The soldiers controlled most of the reserve at Oka, Quebec, by nightfall. The troops surrounded militant Indians in a community center where their spokeswoman said they are- quote- ''kind of helpless to do anything now.'' The standoff began with a dispute over a golf course expansion.

Newspapers in the African nation of Kenya report three deaths last week in the capital, Nairobi, caused by the bubonic plague. 23 other patients were hospitalized. The plague killed Millions of people in Europe during the Middle Ages. With modern antibiotics, however, it can be cured if treated in the early stages. Nairobi authorities have ordered all garbage burned in the area where the plague was reported.

Officials say Colombia will reduce the extraditions of suspected cocaine dealers to the United States. Under former President Virgilio Barco suspected drug criminals were automatically turned over. But the officials say Cesar Gaviria, who became president last month, feels differently. They say the acquittal of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry on a number of drug charges brings up questions about the Bush administration's will in fighting cocaine use.

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FARNBOROUGH, ENGLAND (SEPT. 2) UPI - Farnborough International '90, one of the world's foremost airshows, opened Sunday as the aerospace industry faced a number of searching questions.

Political changes in Eastern Europe, a threat of economic recession, and the current crisis in the Persian Gulf all offer challenges to the industry. Up to 350,000 visitors are expected to visit the eight-day show featuring exhibits from more than 100 countries. The aerospace industry is big business. Two years ago $6 billion worth of orders were announced.

Recent rises in world oil prices threaten a recession in the aerospace industry and are likely to reduce sales this year, said Dan Honley, deputy director of Farnbourgh '90.

Increased oil prices mean increased airfares and reduced orders for aircraft from the world's commercial airlines. Manufacturers also are facing increased competition, not least from the Soviet Union.

Farnborough '88 gave the West the first public view of the MiG-29, Fulcrum, an air superiority fighter. This year, the Soviet Union is also displaying the Sukhoi SU-26 in a bid to capture a share of the West's lucrative arms market. The Soviet Union already has offered the MiG-29 fighter to neutral Switzerland.

The Warsaw Pact now poses a much diminished threat to the West and changes to the NATO forces are occurring as a result. Reduced military spending seems inevitable. While the current conflict in the Gulf may delay defense cuts, what seems more likely is that there will be a change of emphasis. In particular, the armed forces must maintain an ability to operate anywhere in the world.

For the public, the highlights of this year's show are the six Vertical Takeoff and Landing Harriers and the Treble One Squadron Wittering, demonstrating the unequalled maneuverability of the Harrier jump jet. The MiG-29 and Sukhoi SU-26 demonstrate backwards stalling, both planes being flown hydraulically rather than by computerized systems.

On a much grander scale is the Soviet Union's Antonov, AN-225, the world's largest aircraft. It was first seen in the West in 1988 when, at a preview for the media, one of its engines backfired and the plane ground to a halt while attempting to take off. A replacement engine had to be flown in from the Soviet Union and it flew later in the week. This time, the Antonov has six engines instead of four and a stretched fuselage.

The statistics on the Antonov are awe inspiring. It can carry over 500,000 pounds of cargo, yet for a plane of its size is astonishingly maneuverable. Itis used to carry unwieldly loads to the most inaccessible areas of the Soviet Union.

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VIENNA (SEPT. 2) UPI - Former Austrian Chancellor Fred Sinowatz and two of his Cabinet ministers have been charged with abuse of power as an investigation into alleged arms smuggling between Austria and Iran widens, a mass circulation newspaper reported Sunday.

Prosecutors have brought charges alleging Sinowatz and former ministers Karl Blecha and Leopold Gratz did not properly ensure that Austrian-produced cannons would not be illegally sold to Iran in 1985 during the Iran-Iraq war, thereby endangering Austria's neutrality, Kronen Zeitung reported.

The scandal, known as the "Noricum" affair, led last year to the forced resignations of Blecha from the Interior Ministry and Gratz, a former longtime mayor of Vienna, from the Foreign Ministry. The Noricum Co. is a state-owned engineering firm which produces cannons for export.

Some of the weapons made by Noricum apparently fell into Iranian hands, and an investigation is focusing on whether or not some government officials had prior knowledge that the arms would end up in Iran. The newspaper said the three face charges of abuse of power, but could face charges of endangering Austria's neutrality. Both charges carry a maximum sentence of five years.

Austrian law prevents the central government from exporting arms to a nation at war. Prosecutors have already charged 18 government officials with endangering Austrian neutrality for the arms shipments. The newspaper did not name the third-party nation or nations believed to have taken part in the alleged smuggling operation.

Sinowatz, who was chancellor from 1982 to 1986, responded to the allegations by declaring he would be found innocent of all charges, Austrian television reported late Saturday.

The tribulations of the three former government leaders are likely to intensify the political campaign in the stretch leading to October's general elections. The three come from the ranks of the Socialist Party, Austria's senior political party in the ruling coalition.

Chancellor Franz Vranitsky predicted the ruling Socialist Party would not be hurt by the charges, telling the newspaper "Austrians don't care about the Noricum affair." "It was expected (that) the Justice Department would come out with these charges now because it's been the talk of the town," he said.

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#90245u0602 09/02/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 2) UPI - Pope John Paul celebrated mass in Swahili today in Dar es Salaam, a coastal city in Tanzania. Swahili is the official language of the east African nation. More than one-Million people gathered to hear the pope. Police had to hold back the enthusiastic crowds. The pope began his journey to Africa yesterday, saying he hoped good relations would grow between Tanzania's Christians and Moslems.

South African police near Johannesburg report an unidentified group of men ''went on a rampage'' last night. 15 people were found shot or hacked to death in two townships. In another township, police found two bodies riddled with gunshot wounds near a hostel used by Zulu migrant workers. Fighting between the Zulu Inkatha movement and followers of the African National Congress killed more than 500 people last month.

Gainesville, Florida, police say they still have NOT zeroed in on one suspect in the killings of five young people near the University of Florida. Lieutenant Sadie Darnell says they are NOT even close to an arrest. There are several potential suspects. One is a 58-year-old man wanted by the F-B-I in the killing of an Ohio woman. Another is an 18-year-old college freshman being held for allegedly attacking his grandmother.

U-N chief Javier Perez de Cuellar hopes President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev have more luck than he did in finding a diplomatic solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Perez de Cuellar met for two days with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Jordan, and the U-N leader says he's disappointed with the outcome. Bush and Gorbachev hastily arranged a summit in Finland next Sunday. Perez de Cuellar says the key is Iraq's refusal to withdraw from Kuwait. He says if that is solved, the other problems will be solved.

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#90245u0605 09/02/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 2) UPI - China says it will NOT follow Eastern European nations on the road away from communism. An article in the government magazine Beijing Review says such a move would create gaps between rich and poor. In addition, it would lead to factions trying to eliminate each other. The magazine said as many as 100-Million refugees would flee from China, and it said keeping China communist is in the interest of all the world.

Some black leaders in New York charge that racism is keeping an AIDS drug developed in Kenya from being accepted. A New York newspaper reports the blacks believe news organizations dominated by whites do NOT publicize the drug because of a distrust of African science. Kenyan scientists say they have documented the benefits in more than one-thousand patients.

A woman who became a union hero by turning down a Japanese car will lead tomorrow's Labor Day parade in Toledo, Ohio. Pamela Richards, who works at a Chrysler plant, refused a Honda she won in the Ohio lottery because it was made by NON-union labor. She has since received three other vehicles. Richards accepted an offer to be grand marshal of tomorrow's parade.

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#90245u0620 09/02/1990 ~United Press International
TYRE, LEBANON (SEPT. 2) UPI - A car bomb exploded late Sunday in this mainly Shiite-inhabited southern port city, killing five people and wounding six others, police said.

They said the bomb in a Japanese-made car went off as militiamen of the pro-Syrian Amal movement were trying to disarm it. The car, they said, was parked at the northern entrance of the Amal-controlled city of Tyre, 46 miles south of Beirut.

Five people were killed and six others were wounded, police said. Among the dead were two Amal militiamen. Witnesses said Amal militiamen blocked the road and rushed the wounded to nearby hospitals.

It was the second car bomb explosion in the south in less than a week and the ninth in Lebanon this year. On Aug. 27, a car bomb exploded in the village of Houmine, 11 miles east of the port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut. Six people in the car were killed.

Houmine is also patrolled by Amal which has been locked in bloody 3.5-year struggle with the Iranian-backed Hezbollah or Party of God for the control of Lebanon's Shiite community. Amal has accused the fundamentalist Hezbollah and Iran of being behind "such sabotage incidents to disturb security and peace in the south."

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#90245u0675 09/02/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 2) UPI - An Iraqi Airlines jetliner carrying U-S hostages arrrived at Dulles International Airport, outside Washington, D-C, this morning. At least 50 Americans were among hundreds of foreign women and children released by Iraq. Three planes carrying hostages left Baghdad yesterday, heading for the United States, Europe and Japan. Iraq has promised to release more than 10-thousand foreign women and children, but says it will use foreign men as shields against potential attacks against Iraqi military targets by U-S-led forces massing in Saudi Arabia. .

The arrival came as U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar expressed ''disappointment'' over his two days of talks with Iraq's foreign minister in Amman, Jordan. The U-N chief says he made No ''real progress'' toward resolving the month- old Persian Gulf crisis. He says he failed to persuade Iraq to comply with U-N Security Council demands that it withdraw from Kuwait.

More than one-Million people gathered in the east African nation of Tanzania today to hear Pope John Paul celebrate an open-air mass. The pontiff is on the second of an 11-day African tour. John Paul said mass in Swahili, the official language of Tanzania. Police say hundreds of thousands of Tanzanians and thousands more from four neighboring African nations had flocked into the former capital for the past week to get a glimpse of the pope.

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#90245u0695 09/02/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 2) UPI - NASA officials say the delay-plagued shuttle Columbia will probably remain grounded until late this week. Engineers, performing an electronic bypass operation, failed to fix a faulty telescope aboard the orbiter... forcing crews to take the more drastic step of removing the entire assembly. Officials now say liftoff may be pushed back to around Friday. Columbia is already running three months behind schedule because of a hydrogen fuel leak.

Areas of the Midwest, West and Southwest were drenched by thunderstorms early today. The line of storms stretched 125 miles through northeast Colorado from the Denver area to northern Logan County. The storms dropped marble-sized hail in Nebraska and swept southeastern Arizon with 50 mile-an-hour wind gusts. Elsewhere, variable cloudiness was reported across the southern Middle Atlantic area, with temperatures slightly above normal.

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#90245u0733 09/02/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 2) UPI - Javier Perez de Cuellar says he hopes President Bush and Soviet President Gorbachev have more luck than he had in finding a solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. The U-N chief left Jordan today for France, ''disappointed'' by his talks with Iraq's foreign minister. Bush and Gorbachev meet next Sunday in Finland. .

An Iraqi Airlines jetliner carrying at least 50 Americans freed by Baghdad landed today at Dulles International Airport outside Washington, D-C. Among the passengers was Stuart Lockwood, the small boy whose solemn face and head Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein stroked on television. .

Moammar Gadhafi says Libya is complying with U-N sanctions against Iraq in regard to the export and import of oil. But the Libyan leader says he will NOT be responsible for ''starving'' Iraqi children. The U-N embargo bars all trade with Iraq except for medical supplies and food for ''humanitarian purposes.''

Pope John Paul is urging tolerance between Christians and Moslems on the second day of an 11-day African tour. The pontiff celebrated mass today for more than a Million people in Tanzania... with police holding back enthusiastic crowds eager for personal blessings from the pope.

The Philippines' Roman Catholic bishops have endorsed President Corazon Aquino's proposal for a cease-fire with the communist rebels. A spokesman says the bishops prefer a ''peaceful way'' to settle the 21-year-old insurgency. The church leaders have great influence in the Philippines.

A Chrysler worker who recently made a stand for organized labor will lead a holiday parade tomorrow in Toledo, Ohio. Pamela Richards last month told the Ohio Lottery Commission that she would NOT accept a 17-thousand-dollar Honda as a game show prize because the car was built by NON-union labor.

A Long Island, New York, family did NOT enjoy its 150-thousand- dollar new home very long. Police say a gas leak probably caused an explosion last night that destroyed the house just hours after the family moved in. Keith and Debbie Keene were treated for injuries suffered after getting pinned in the wreckage.

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#90245u0868 09/02/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 2) UPI - The Bush administration will this week be facing a new front in the Persian Gulf crisis- Capitol Hill. Members of Congress have basically supported President Bush's policy in the region since Iraq invaded Kuwait one month ago. But there have been rumblings from members of both parties who want Bush to more clearly define his goals. Indiana Repubican Senator Richard Lugar says Bush needs to- in his words- ''outline what the bottom line is for us.'' .

Britain voiced a hard stance today as nearly 200 women and children arrived in London from Iraq. Foreign Minister William Waldegrave met the jetliner, saying- ''this is NOT a bargaining situation, this is a matter of the law being obeyed.'' And British Prime Minister Thatcher reiterated that she will NOT be influenced in steps to deter Saddam Hussein by the estimated 29-hundred Britons still held by Iraq.

The countdown begins again early tomorrow at Cape Canaveral, Florida. NASA today tentatively cleared the space shuttle Columbia for a predawn blastoff Thursday on a long-delayed astronomy mission. However, the space agency says the launch could be delayed until Friday if engineers do NOT finish testing a replacement telescope part by tonight.

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#90245u0886 09/02/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 2) UPI - South African black leader Nelson Mandela returned home unannounced today from a week-long tour of four African nations. An African National Congress official say Mandela slipped into the country to avoid crowds of journalists. But the A-N-C says Mandela will discuss his trip- including a controversial stop in Libya- with reporters at a news conference tomorrow.

Black cats are viewed by some as a symbol of bad luck, but that's NOT the case for a four-year-old feline named Felix. Felix was running through a yard with a 15-inch arrow through his neck last night in Waltham, Massachusetts, when he was spotted by police officer Tony Conran. Conran... who took Felix to an animal hospital... describes the cat as ''real friendly and real lucky.'' It's NOT known who shot the arrow that left Felix with stitches in his neck.

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East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	76	57	.568	-
Toronto	70	64	.522	6 1/2
Detroit	64	70	.478	12
Milwaukee	63	69	.477	12
Baltimore	60	72	.455	15
Cleveland	59	74	.444	16 1/2
New York	56	77	.424	19

West

Oakland	83	50	.624	-
Chicago	76	56	.576	6 1/2
Texas	67	66	.504	16
California	67	67	.500	16 1/2
Kansas City	66	67	.496	17
Seattle	65	69	.485	18 1/2
Minnesota	60	74	.448	23 1/2

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(SEPT. 2) UPI - Former presidential contender Jesse Jackson says the Bush administration needs to put more effort into finding a diplomatic solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Jackson made his comment today after arriving in Washington, D-C, with about 50 Americans whom he helped free from Iraq.
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After a month of congressional support in the Middle East crisis... the Bush administration may soon face closer scrutiny from Congress. Secretary of State James Baker testifies this week before House and Senate committees. Some say the most likely legislative action will be a resolution on long-term policy in the region.

Israel says there has been NO one-BILLION-dollar arms deal made with the United States. But the Jewish state concedes that it's discussing defense needs with Washington. A New York newspaper report said the United States planned to send Israel a number of advanced weapons, including F-15 fighter planes.

Authorities in Gainesville, Florida, say the task force looking into the slayings of five college students has reduced the number of possible suspects in the case. Police now have eight potential suspects following a widespread search for clues that included the deployment of officers in nine other states outside of Florida.

Lebanese police say five people were killed and a half-dozen others wounded today when a car bomb exploded in the southern port city of Tyre . The bomb went off as members of the pro-Syrian Amal militia tried to disarm it. The car was parked at the northern entrance of the mainly Shiite-inhabited city, 46 miles south of Beirut.

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#90245u1220 09/02/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 2) UPI - A northern Philippine town ravaged by a recent earthquake now has been hit with floods and landslides from monsoon rains. 23 people were killed in the latest catastrophe... as floods peaked today. Relief agencies say 68-thousand people have been evacuated. It was the second

fatal flood in eight days on the main island of Luzon.

Polish protesters today ended a two-week blockade of a Soviet military barracks in Warsaw that led to a clash with police. But the demonstrators promised to continue a campaign to drive Soviet military forces from Polish territory. The Polish government has NOT pressed for removal of the troops.

Another national poll finds 86 percent of the Americans surveyed are satisfied with the work they do. The American Enterprise magazine poll found 84 percent of Americans said they are working as hard or harder than they were five years ago... and 79 percent of workers said their boss ''treats employees fairly and honestly.''

The nation's schoolteachers say they are still NOT involved enough in school decisions and consider working conditions UNsatisfactory. One example in a nationwide survey released today is that 71 percent of teachers say they are NOT involved in setting student promotion and retention policies.

Thunderstorms soaked Labor Day weekend getaways in parts of the Midwest, West and Southwest this morning. Marble-sized hail rattled Nebraska and 50-mile-an-hour wind gusts swept through southeastern Arizona. But holiday revelers are enjoying partly sunny skies and seasonal temperatures through much of the nation.

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#90245u1291 09/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 3) UPI - Two hours after John McEnroe revived memories of past glory by winning a five-set thriller, Martina Navratilova suffered one of the more dismal defeats of her career Sunday night when she was bounced out of the U.S. Open by Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere.

Navratilova, like McEnroe a four-time Open champion, fell 7-5, 3-6, 6-2, in the fourth round. In seven previous meetings, Navratilova had dropped merely one set to Maleeva, and in last year's Open she crushed Maleeva, 6-0, 6-0, in 44 minutes.

This marks the first time since 1980 Navratilova has failed to reach the quarterfinals of the Open.

''I don't know if the desire will be there 100 percent,'' a dejected Navratilova said of her future plans. ''I don't know if I'll play next year or not. Anything is possible.''

Maleeva, the ninth seed, as customary showed little emotion after the victory.

''I thought it was about time I beat a big player in a Grand Slam,'' she said. ''I went on court feeling very positive.''

McEnroe, the underdog in his match, struggled for 4 hours and 20 minutes to overcome Emilio Sanchez, 7-6 (8-6), 3-6, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3, to gain the quarterfinals for the first time in three years.

''I've had a great career, but to go out on a high and win another major would be fantastic,'' the 31-year-old left-hander said following his biggest victory of the year. ''Winning this would be the icing on the cake.

''To be in the quarterfinals and have another chance to win this championship is unbelievable. There is a lot of satisfaction in winning a match like this but it would be nice to take it a little bit farther and get a chance to play an even bigger match.''

Navratilova jumped to a 4-1 lead and served for the first set at 5- 4, but was broken at 15 in the 10th game and at love in the 12th. The 33-year-old Wimbledon champion drew even in the second set with breaks in the first and ninth games of the second set, Maleeva double faulting on set point.

Maleeva, though, got on top in the deciding set with a break in the third game. She broke again in the seventh game after being down 0-40, and although Navratilova broke back in the next game, Maleeva ended it with another break in the ninth game.

''I had too many games where I had game point, but you can't let them get away against a player like Manuela,'' Navratilova said. ''There's no excuse for not putting away those game points.

''I didn't hit the ball as hard as I should have, I really wimped out on a lot of shots.''

In contrast to McEnroe's marathon, third seed Ivan Lendl, comfortable with his game and his situation, required one minute more than two hours to defeat Gilad Bloom, 6-0, 6-3, 6-4, and gain the quarterfinals for the ninth consecutive year.

McEnroe, who defeated Sanchez' younger brother, Javier, in the first round next plays unseeded David Wheaton, a 7-5, 7-6 (7-1), 4-6, 6-4 winner over Kevin Curren. A victory would catapult him into the semifinals for the first time since 1985.

McEnroe, ranked No. 20 in the world, won his last Open in 1984. He received a standing ovation from a near capacity crowd of 20,000 people after a forehand service return by Sanchez went some 60 feet into the air to end a match which started in bright sunshine and concluded under

evening clouds.

''He doesn't want to disappoint anyone because he's a champion,'' commented Sanchez. ''He showed it today on the court.''

McEnroe appeared beaten after falling behind two sets to one against an opponent six years younger and appreciably quicker. But he warded off two potentially fatal break points in the ninth game of the fourth set before breaking in the next game to even the match.

After squandering a break point in the fourth game of the decisive set, McEnroe cashed in on the only other break point either player managed in the set, achieving the decisive break in the sixth game when Sanchez netted a backhand.

It was McEnroe's 22nd career victory in five-set matches against 12 defeats.

''I would prefer not to go five sets with a guy like Sanchez because he's a good player and very fit,'' McEnroe said. ''But it beats the hell out of losing.''

The first set alone required 66 minutes as McEnroe squandered a 5-2 lead and a total of three set points in the eighth and ninth games. He then rallied from a 4-2 deficit to win the tie-break with a forehand crosscourt volley into the corner, eliciting the first of several standing ovations.

Sanchez took the second set routinely and won the third with a break in the seventh game on a forehand pass down the line. McEnroe had triple break point in the next game, only to lose the next five points.

The two men traded service breaks in the second and third games of the fourth set before McEnroe got even.

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(SEPT. 3) UPI -

TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson dh	4	0	0	0	Cole cf	2	0	0	0
Fernandez ss	4	0	2	0	Browne 2b	4	0	0	0
Gruber 3b	3	0	0	0	DJames lf	3	0	0	0
McGriff 1b	4	2	2	2	Phelps dh	2	0	0	0
Borders c	4	0	1	0	Jacoby 1b	3	0	0	0
Hill lf	4	0	1	0	Baerga ss	2	0	0	0
Williams cf	4	1	1	0	Snyder rf	3	0	0	0

Lee 2b	4	0	1	1	Brookens 3b	2	0	0	0
Felix rf	3	0	0	0	CJames ph	1	0	0	0
					Skinner c	2	0	0	0
					Maldond ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	34	3	8	3	Totals	25	0	0	0

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Cleveland 000 000 000- 0

E-CJames. LOB-Toronto 5, Cleveland 2. 2B-Williams, Lee. HR-McGriff 2 (31).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Stieb (W 17-5)	9	0	0	0	4	9
Cleveland						
Black (L 10-9)	7	5	2	2	1	5
Orosco	1	2	1	1	0	1
Olin	1	1	0	0	0	0

Orosco pitched to 1 batter in the 9th.

WP-Black. T-2:27. A-23,640.

Umpires-Home, Coble; 1b, Evans; 2b, Ford; 3b, Welke.

(Compiled by The MLB-IBM Baseball Information System. Copyright 1990 MLB.)

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Phillips 3b	4	1	2	3	Newman 3b	4	1	1	0
Whitaker 2b	5	0	0	0	Liriano 2b	3	1	0	0
Trammell ss	4	0	1	0	Munoz rf	3	0	1	0
Fielder 1b	4	0	1	0	Moses rf	1	0	0	0
Bergman dh	1	0	0	0	Hrbek dh	4	0	1	1
Sheets rf	4	0	0	0	Mack cf	4	0	2	1
Ward lf	4	1	2	0	Sorrento 1b	4	0	0	0
Lemon cf	3	0	1	0	Ortiz c	3	0	0	0
Heath c	3	1	1	0	Gladden lf	2	1	0	0
Salas ph	0	0	0	0	Gagne ss	2	1	2	2
Totals	32	3	8	3	Totals	30	4	7	4

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DP-Minnesota 3. LOB-Detroit 8, Minnesota 5. 2B-Munoz, Ward, Gagne.
HR-Gagne (7), Phillips (7). SB-Newman (11), Liriano (6).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						

Morris (L 11-16)	8	7	4	4	3	6	
Minnesota							
Erickson (W 4-4)	7	2-3	6	2	2	5	5
Aguilera (S 27)	1	1-3	2	1	1	1	0

T-2:29. A-21,894.

Umpires-Home, Cederstrom; 1b, McClelland; 2b, Denkinger; 3b, Shulock.

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#90245u1463 09/02/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 2) UPI - Women and children freed from Iraq arrived home in the United States, Britain, France, and Italy today. They were among some 500 Westerners and Japanese released yesterday after being kept in Iraq since its invasion of Kuwait one month ago. 25 to 50 Americans arrived in Washington, D-C. One freed hostage disputed Iraqi claims by saying the foreigners are detained against their will withOUT food, water, or electricity.

NASA says the repair job it's done on the shuttle Columbia has cleared the ship for blast-off Thursday morning. Technicians were told to stand by at Cape Canaveral to restart Columbia's interrupted countdown early tomorrow. Earlier today... officials said they needed more tests on a new part put in the shuttle... but this afternoon they announced all systems are ''go.''

South African black leader Nelson Mandela is home with a message from African leaders. Mandela arrived in Johannesburg today with a statement from seven southern African nations urging President Frederik de Klerk to ''stop the carnage.'' The appeal refers to the fighting between Mandela's African National Congress and the Zulu Inkatha movement. The conflict claimed 17 more lives last night.

The Justice Department announced today that one in four American households had at least one family member who was a victim of crime last year. The percentage has remained steady for five years... an improvement over the 1975 rate of one in three households. The department says the most likely targets are black households... households with higher incomes... and households in cities.

The White House is denying the accuracy of a report issued today that says the Bush administration has pursued policies that have NOT benefited the majority of Americans. The Washington-based Economic Policy Institute accuses President Bush of advocating economic plans that have increased the wealth of America's richest citizens, while leaving the majority of Americans with NO real gains.

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#90245u1559 09/02/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 2) UPI - U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar expressed disappointment earlier today aobut his two days of meetings with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. Speaking at a news conference in Amman, Jordan, de Cuellar said he had ''hoped for more'' in discussions with his old colleague. But de Cuellar held out hope for a negotiated settlement in the Middle East, especially in light of next Sunday's surprise superpower summit.

The chairman of the powerful House Ways and Means Committee says the Persian Gulf crisis makes a hike in the nation's gasoline tax more necessary than ever. In a report published today, Illinois Democrat Dan Rostenkowski said Americans interested in conserving gas and reducing the federal deficit would support a hike in the tax. Rostenkowski spent the weekend on a Middle East fact-finding mission.

Talks designed to halt further bloodshed in Liberia wrapped up today with an announcement that an interim exile government has been named. The group called for the removal of President Samuel Doe, but said the interim government would take power for one year and then allow elections to occur. The announcement was made in Gambia and is part of a peace effort by the five-nation Economic Community of West African States.

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#90245u1562 09/02/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 2) UPI - Environmentalists charged today that the government is failing to protect the nation's food supply. An organization known as the U-S Public Interest Research Group noted that 69 pesticides linked to cancer are legally allowed in food. The group issued a report in Washington listing numerous pesticides allowed in meat, vegetables, and dairy products that have been shown to cause tumors in laboratory animals.

A team of U-S health experts is set to leave for Romania Tuesday to help evaluate health care in the Eastern European country. Romania holds the dubious distinction of having one of the world's highest infant and maternal mortality rates. Part of the blame the policies of former leader Nicolas Ceausescu. The group will also deliver one-half-Million dollars worth of AIDS testing equipment and medical supplies.

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#90245u1779 09/02/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 2) UPI - East Germany's news agency says the East German ambassador to Kuwait and his wife were arrested by Iraqi forces. The couple reportedly was taken to Baghdad. Iraq had threatened to arrest

diplomats remaining in Kuwait after August 24th.

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British Prime Minister Thatcher says the presence of hostages in Iraq will NOT deter Britian from taking steps to contain Saddam Hussein and prevent him from further aggression. Thatcher is known for her tough stance in hostage situations.

NASA hopes to end a summer without shuttle launches this week. The space agency has cleared the shuttle Columbia to take off from its Cape Canaveral launchpad Thursday, five days after its scheduled liftoff. Permission to launch came today after technicians replaced a part in the spaceplane's cargo bay.

The task force working on the mutilation murders of five Florida college students has spread its search into nine states across the country. Law enforcement officials in Gainesville say despite the expanded investigation, they have reduced the number of viable suspects.

One year after a beach celebration degenerated into looting, fighting and violence, the situation in Virginia Beach, Virginia, is reported calm. The annual Laborfest, attended primarily by black college students, has proceeded smoothly and officials anticipate NO problems.

A new report by the Justice Department indicates that you or someone you know have likely been crime victims. The report says one in four U-S households had at least one family member who was a crime victim in the past year.

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#90245u1780 09/02/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 2) UPI - Philippine officials say monsoon-driven floods have caused at least 23 deaths this weekend. The most severe flooding occurred in Manila and a town 110 miles north of the capital. The area was devastated by similar conditions just more than one week ago.

India's troubled Kashmir province experienced more bloodshed today as police found three decapitated air force servicemen. Police sources say at least five others were killed in the region where militant Moslems are seeking independence.

Local health officials in Kenya have ordered trash to be burned outside the capital in an attempt to get rid of rats infected with the bubonic plague. The disease is reported to have caused three deaths while hospitalizing 23 people last week.

Officials in Namibia have arrested six men and are looking for two more after linking them to a cache of weapons. Police discovered scores of arms during weekend raids. Authorities have NOT said if the men in custody are connected with right-wing South African extremists opposed to Namibia's independence.

A report today on Cambodian state-run radio says a new round of peace talks between the country's Vietnamese-backed governments and rebels may begin within the next few days. The report says President Heng Samrin cleared an obstacle to participation in the talks by accepting the basis of a U-N plan.

Peace talks are also on tap to end fighting in Guatemala. Discussions between rebels and an umbrella group made up of business and church leaders are tentatively slated for the end of the month in Mexico or Venezuela.

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#90245u1853 09/02/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 2) UPI - United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said today it appears that Iraq is trying to consolidate its annexation of Kuwait. In the words of the U-N chief... ''Time is working against peace and in favor of Iraq.'' De Cuellar also said two days of talks with Iraq's foreign minister led him to believe the Middle East nation is inflexible except for releasing women and children.

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Reports on Riyadh Radio today say Saudi Arabia has kept its promise to increase its oil output in an effort to offset the shortages caused by the worldwide embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil. The report says Saudi Arabia boosted its daily oil production to seven- point-four-Million barrels. That's two-Million barrels more than its OPEC-decreed quota.

The premiers of the Soviet Union, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania failed to attend a much-heralded Baltic environmental conference in Sweden today. The Soviet premier withdrew because of economic problems at home... and the Baltic republics stayed away reportedly because they are miffed at Sweden's refusal to treat them as sovereign nations. The conference was called to address worries that much of the Baltic Sea is dead because of pollution.

A new study says American media largely ignore or distort the working lives of 100 Million men and women. The study by the group Fairness abd Accuracy in Reporting found that nightly network news last year devoted only two percent of its coverage to workers' issues... and only one percent to U-S unions. And the report said while P-B-S and C-N- N offer

regular business shows... neither offers a show dealing specifically with labor issues.

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#90246d0060 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Leipzig (SEPT. 3) - The West German consumer electronics market leader Grundig expects its sales turnover to rise at a double-digit rate to surpass 4 billion marks (2.5 billion dollars) in the current business year the company's top executive said here Monday.

Grundig chairman Johan van Tilburg said that in the first five months of the 1990-91 year which began April 1, earnings had risen by 35 per cent, with Tv set sales particularly spurred by the World Cup.

He also noted the East German factor in the company's performance. Sales in East and West Germany had risen 32 per cent in the first five months, with some of the growth in West Germany the result of East German consumers' purchases.

Van Tilburg made the remarks in celebrating Grundig's first-ever appearance at the Leipzig Autumn Fair, which opened here on Sunday. He said that Grundig till now had not appeared at the fair because the East German market had been of little importance.

Now the company foresees sales turnover volume in the current East German area - soon to be united with West Germany - reaching 200 to 250 million marks in the 1991-92 business year.

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#90246d0170 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ESCHBORN, West Germany (SEPT. 3) - West German crude oil imports rose 17.8 percent in July to 6.7 million tons from 5.7 million in the same month last year, the federal statistics office said Monday.

But in value terms, the oil bill fell 111 million Deutsche marks (69.3 million dollars) bcause of a 21.6 percent fall in prices over the 12 months.

The figures brought total West German crude imports for the first seven months of the year to 42.1 million tons, up 15.3 percent on the 36.5 million tons in the same period last year.

The oil bill for the seven months was 9.6 billion Deutsche marks, 245 million more than for the same period in 1989.

Some 30 percent of West German crude imports came from Britain and Norway

and 51 percent from members of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), the statistics office said.

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#90246d0190 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (SEPT. 3) - Negotiations are under way to release one of the three British hostages in Lebanon, possibly Church of England envoy Terry Waite, a Lebanese source close to Iran said here Monday.

"Negotiations and preparations are taking place, with Terry Waite's release as the priority," the source told Agence France-Presse, declining to be named.

Mr. Waite, 51, a special envoy of the archbishop of Canterbury, was kidnapped in January 1987 while on a mission to secure the release of other hostages. His abduction in mainly Moslem west Beirut was never claimed.

The Iranian government has charged "an Arab political personality to play the role in Lebanon of mediator in this affair," the source added, without identifying him.

"The release of Terry Waite, who is considered a hostage of primary importance, depends on progress being made in the normalization process between Iran and Great Britain," he said.

"If this process drags, the released hostage will be John McCarthy," a 33-year-old TV camerman who was kidnapped here in April 1986.

The third British hostage, retired airline pilot Jack Mann, 75, went missing in May 1989. Six Americans, two West Germans and an Italian are also believed to be in the hands of pro-Iranian groups.

The Lebanese source said it was unlikely that the 12 Western hostages, notably those from the United States, would be released shortly. The situation of the six Americans was further complicated by the massive U.S. military deployment in the Gulf.

Hussein Mussawi, a pro-Iranian Shiite fundamentalist leader, also told AFP that he expected European hostages to be freed before the Americans "because the United States is leading the conspiracy to invade our region."

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#90246d0280 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (SEPT. 3) - West German electrical engineering firm AEG said Monday its sales rose four per cent in the first half of this year over the same period last year, but the balance sheet showed a zero profit.

Sales were up to 5.8 billion Deutsche marks (3.6 billion dollars) from 5.5 billion (3.4 billion dollars), but in terms of profit the account was balanced.

The group has generally shown small or zero profit, apart from 1989 when it showed an exceptional result of 275 million Deutsche marks (171 million dollars).

The first half boost in sales was largely due to a rise in domestic sales of eight percent to 3.1 billion Deutsche marks, while overseas sales were stable at 2.6 billion Deutsche marks.

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#90246d0300 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FARNBOROUGH, England (SEPT. 3) - Dassault Aviation of France said here Monday it had signed a cooperation agreement with Aeritalia of Italy for the development and production of the Falcon 2000 business plane.

Aeritalia and Dassault would share the investment in the project, and would cover some 25 percent of the total development cost, Dassault chief Serge Dassault told French journalists during the Farnborough Air Show.

He would not give a figure for the total cost of the project or the price at which the aircraft would be sold.

The Falcon 2000, expected to be available in 1994, will be based on the intercontinental Falcon 900, but with two engines instead of the Falcon 900's three and a range of 5,500 kilometers (3,400 miles).

Mr. Dassault said his company had been little affected by a U.N. embargo on trade with Iraq and Kuwait following Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, although the embargo had blocked the delivery of some Mirage F1's to Baghdad.

Mr. Dassault refused to confirm or deny press reports that seven planes were involved.

"Financial questions had already prevented any new sales to Iraq in the past year ... while for Kuwait it would have been 1992 before that country had the technical and human potential to order such equipment," said Bernard Retat, Dassault's new director general for international affairs.

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#90246d1130 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (SEPT. 3) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise

stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,575.00 (1,558.00) 1,553.50 (1,530.50)
Lead 465.00 (462.00) 467.00 (464.50)
Zinc Sh 1,617.50 (1,642.50) 1,526.50 (1,532.50)
Tin 5,760.00 (5,862.50) 5,872.50 (5,972.50)
Aluminium 1,853.00 (1,862.00) 1,870.50 (1,876.50)
Nickel 11,375.00 (11,375.00) 11,137.00 (11,175.00)

(the last three in dollars per ton)

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#90246d1410 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (SEPT. 3) - Pan American World Airways will receive 150 million dollars from Lufthansa for the provision of certain services and facilities when the West German carrier starts service to Berlin, probably next month, under a tentative agreement announced Monday.

Pan Am - along with British Airways and Air France - has had traffic rights from West Germany to West Berlin under a post-World War II agreement between the four major allies of the time, Britain, France, the United States and the Soviet Union. Under that agreement, West German carriers were barred from operating to and from Berlin.

But Lufthansa expects to be allowed into Berlin when East and West Germany are formally reunited next month.

Pan Am currently operates 74 daily flights between West Berlin and Hamburg, Nuremburg, Frankfurt, Stuttgart, Dusseldorf. Pan Am said it was anticipated that these intra-German services would be terminated in late October.

The agreement does not affect Pan Am's non-stop service from New York to Berlin nor the operations of Pan Am Express, a Pan Am subidiary operating between Berlin and 10 other European cities with 34 flights per day.

Under the agreement, Pan Am will lease to Lufthansa "at least nine Pan Am Boeing 727 aircraft, with pilots," said the U.S. carrier. By mid-1991, the equipment and crews will be provided by Lufthansa.

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#90246d1800 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KABUL (SEPT. 3) - A huge explosion rocked the Soviet embassy in Kabul late Monday, sowing panic in the area, witnesses said.

The blast shattered several windows of the heavily guarded embassy, but there were no immediate reports of anyone being injured or killed.

Witnesses said an Afghan military armoured personnel carrier (APC) parked outside the misson in the Darul Amand area suddenly exploded, but they could not say what caused the blast.

Other sources, mostly from the embassy, said a short circuit in the APC's electrical system caused its petrol tank to blow up, igniting ammunition stored in the vehicle.

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#90246d2030 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TUNIS (SEPT. 3) - The Arab League secretary general, Chedli Klibi, has resigned after 11 years in office, the secretariat said Monday. The resignation came amid divisions in the Arab world over the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Klibi, a Tunisian, held the post since 1979 when the League headquarters were transferred from Cairo to Tunis, following Egypt's signing of a peace treaty with Israel. His term was extended for another five years in March 1989.

There was no official reason given for his resignation.

"Mr. Chedli Klibi on Monday addressed messages to kings and heads of state of the 21 Arab states in which he informs them of his resignation from the post of secretary general of the League of Arab States," the secretariat said.

Diplomatic sources said he also thanked Arab leaders for their support during his term in office.

At an Arab conference in Cairo last week, Egypt called for an Arab League emergency ministerial meeting in its capital on September 10 to announce the transfer of the League's secretariat back to the Egyptian capital.

The request was accepted by the 13 countries that attended the conference, out of the 21-member Arab League.

Tunisia's official media criticized the call for another conference within days, saying it was a bid to achieve a "fait accompli" by rapidly "liquidating" the League's presence in Tunis despite opposition from some Arab states.

Since the Gulf crisis divided the League into pro- and anti-Iraqi camps, Arab states have been involved in a tug-of-war over the question of the League headquarters, which Arab countries had decided in March to move to

Cairo.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz has argued that Egypt could no longer qualify because of its "partial" stand on the crisis.

Mr. Klibi resigned one week before the next Cairo conference because he did not want to oversee the division of the organisation, according to analysts in the Tunisian capital.

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#90246d2940 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 4) - New vehicle sales in Japan surged 11.5 percent in August from a year earlier to 356,312 units, the Japan Automobile Dealers Association said Tuesday.

It was the first double-digit gain in five months, and August was the 18th consecutive month to show a year-on-year increase, it said.

Passenger cars accounted for 252,033, up 10.0 percent, while sales of trucks jumped 15.4 percent to 102,532 units and bus sales rose 17.5 percent to 1,747.

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#90246d3030 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 4) - Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank, Ltd. (DKB), the world's biggest bank, is to raise short-term prime rates by 0.625 percentage point to 8.0 per- cent effective next week, banking sources said Tuesday.

The planned rate hike is aimed at coping with an increase of fund procurement costs, caused by an interest rate rise in the short-term money market and an official discount rate hike last Thursday to the highest level in nine years, they said.

Other city banks and trust and banking companies are likely to follow suit, the sources said.

DKB officials said the bank is considering a short-term prime rate hike but is undecided on the margin of rate hike.

The sources said the 0.625 point rise added to the August increase of 0.25 percent to make a two-month rise of 0.875 percent.

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#90246d3040 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (SEPT. 4) - Pakistan's economy has been hard hit by the Gulf

crisis and is facing a worsening balance of payments deficit, analysts here say.

The loss of hard currency remittances from Pakistani workers in Iraq and occupied Kuwait and the higher prices Islamabad has to pay for oil are expected to cause the balance of payments deficit, which last year hit 1.8 billion dollars, to further deteriorate.

Before it was invaded on August 2 by Iraq, Kuwait supplied Pakistan with about half of its imported oil at concessionary rates.

Domestic oil prices were increased substantially in March to satisfy the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and other aid donors demanding a reduction in Pakistan's budget deficit.

But Petroleum Minister Abdul Majeed Malik has said the government would for the time being not increase domestic prices of petroleum products.

The government was making arrangements for spot purchases of certain petroleum products on the international market to offset an expected shortage caused by the disruption of supplies from Kuwait.

Officials said two Kuwaiti oil tankers had luckily left for Karachi only hours before the Iraqi invasion. One of them brought 27,000 tonnes of kerosene and the other carried 30,000 tonnes of diesel to Pakistan.

The Kuwaiti and Saudi embassies in Islamabad have assured Pakistani authorities that all possible efforts would be made to maintain oil supplies under the ongoing concessionary agreements.

Pakistan consumes about 180,000 barrels of oil per day, while domestic production has nearly doubled in the past two years to 60,000 barrels per day.

Kuwait used to provide about 60,000 barrels per day of oil and petroleum products at concessionary rates of 15 dollars per barrel, worth a total of some 700 million dollars a year.

Now that international prices have jumped to nearly 30 dollars per barrel,

Pakistan will have to pay substantially more for its oil imports, further broadening the balance of payments deficit.

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#90246d3120 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (SEPT. 4) - The price of gasoline went up by 17 percent at midnight on Monday, Israeli radio reported.

The increase, linked to rises in crude oil prices caused by the Gulf crisis, was put into effect after representatives of the Finance and Energy Ministries said on Sunday that that a fuel price hike of around 15 percent was necessary, and the government had decided on such an increase during the day.

The increase is expected to be followed by rises in the cost of electricity and numerous products.

Fuel prices have risen by 33 percent since the beginning of the Gulf crisis on August 2.

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#90246d3150 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 4) - Against the background of the Gulf crisis the French government is seeking to fight inflation and save energy -- and in addition to paying higher prices for gasoline, the country's motorists may be called on to help by slowing down, observers say here.

While no measures have yet been officially announced, rumors are rife here of a cut in speed limits. Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy is also known to be preparing a cut in France's top rate of value-added tax (VAT), a measure which among other effects would reduce the price of cars. The two steps might even be announced simultaneously, observers say.

In June, Mr. Beregovoy said the top VAT rate of 25 percent would be reduced in the 1991 budget, but he did not say by how much. On Friday, the daily Le Monde said the cut would be two or three points and would occur in mid-September for automobiles.

That report has not been confirmed by the authorities because of fears that it would encourage car-buyers to postpone their purchases.

Auto industry sources said the beneficial effects of lower VAT on sales could not be determined exactly because of the influence of other factors, such as sales promotions and the general health of the auto market.

The speed limit issue has given rise to greater uncertainties yet. Remarks on Sunday by Prime Minister Michel Rocard to the effect that the limit on expressways might be cut from 130 to 110 kilometers an hour (81 to 69 miles an hour), from 90 to 70 on other major roads, and from 60 to 50 in towns have not exactly won rave notices, even within the government.

Mr. Rocard commented that lower speed limits would "reduce the national oil bill by several billion francs and save lives".

But although such reductions could save the equivalent of more than 1.2 million tonnes of oil a year according to the national Energy Saving Agency,
 Transport Minister Michel Delebarre opposes such measures, which would displease the country's vocal motorist lobby.

The French Association of Auto Clubs has already called Mr. Rocard's proposals "unrealistic", and recommends obligatory adjustment of vehicle ignition and carburation.

Mr. Delebarre said Thursday that he favored greater observance of existing speed limits. But he is for lowering city speed limits, not to save energy but for safety reasons.

Mr. Rocard also said that he has decided to have government economic policy focus, among other things, on improving the country's production system.

For instance, he has approved the principle of lowering the tax rate on profits that are re-invested in companies -- a recommendation for which Mr. Beregovoy came under strong attack. However, the cautious Mr. Rocard has not advanced a figure for the moment.

Another measure contemplated by the government, though the prime minister did not mention it on Sunday, is favorable tax treatment of investments offering energy savings.

Mr. Beregovoy noted Monday that lower VAT is also planned on some consumer goods. And some sources have reported that an improvement in tax measures aimed at encouraging energy savings that were part of the 1990 budget is also being studied.

But such measures are unlikely to lead the government, which is Socialist,

to forget about the "new social round" to which it committed itself in the spring.

Thus Mr. Rocard has pledged, despite reluctance in some quarters, to implement a new tax called a "generalized social contribution" and to push negotiations on raising low and medium-level salaries. He has also announced that Labor Minister Jean-Pierre Soisson will present a new employment plan on September 13.

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#90246d8440 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 3) - Japan's holdings of gold and foreign exchange reserves rose from 74.59 billion dollars at the end of July to 75.32 billion dollars at the end of August, the finance ministry said Monday.

The increase of 730 million dollars marked the fourth consecutive rise in the monthly figure and followed a jump of almost one billion dollars in July.

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#90246d8530 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (SEPT. 3) The Israeli Government is Monday to approve an increase in the price of fuel, an energy ministry spokesman said.

On Sunday, officials from the ministries of finance and energy met and decided that a rise of about 15 percent in fuel prices was needed, he said.

The Israeli press has reported that the increase, tied to the worldwide hike in oil prices triggered by the Gulf crisis, will be effective on Monday at midnight local time (2100 GMT).

Thousands of Israeli motorists have already rushed to gas stations across the country to fill up their tanks.

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#90246d8580 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRISBANE, Australia (SEPT. 3) - Australian mining group MIM on Monday reported a 92 million dollar (74.5 million U.S.) increase in profits to 295.5 million dollars (239 million U.S.) for the year ending July 1.

Announcing the figures, the chairman of MIM Holdings, Sir Bruce Watson, said that in the same 12 months, sales reached a record 1.9 billion dollars (1.54 billion U.S.), thanks in part to record sales of copper.

Net profits after accounting for foreign exchange movements and minority interests were 275 million dollars (223 million U.S.), up from 240.1 million (194 million U.S.).

Net profit on an equity accounting basis dropped from 328 million dollars (265 million U.S.) to 317.1 million (257 million U.S.), and an eight-cent final dividend was paid.

"MIM's financial position strengthened during the year," Sir Bruce said, and the company's indebtedness was reduced by 129 million dollars (104.5 million U.S.) to 966 million (782.5 million U.S.).

Sales of copper jumped from 173,986 tons to 192,027 tons "as supply problems in Canada, Mexico, Papua New Guinea and Peru prevented any rebuilding of the low stock levels in the face of record consumption."

In the same period, "new production records were again set in mining, smelting and refining" at Mount Isa, 1,600 kilometres (1,000 miles) from here in northwest Queensland.

But sales of coal slumped from 8.14 million tons to 6.93 million tons, and MIM's coal division made a pre-tax loss of 31 million dollars (25 million U.S.), following a loss of 85 million (69 million U.S.) the previous year.

Sales of gold were also up sharply, from 68,775 ounces to 112,994 ounces.

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#90246d8610 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 3) - Freight rates retreated on world shipping markets this past week.

Very little business was closed because of uncertainty over the future level of bunker fuel prices during the Gulf crisis.

The Baltic International Freight Futures Exchange (BIFFEX's) Baltic Freight Index (BFI) closed down 12 points on the week at 1,208 points.

Shipbrokers expected no change in activity or rate levels in the coming week unless war broke out in the Gulf, in which case they expected freight rates to derive some support from firmer oil prices.

The United States' Military Sealift Command, which charters ships for the movement of military hardware, was reported booking vessels on a timecharter basis for trips from the U.S. Gulf to the Middle East.

It was also said to be looking for further tonnage in European zones to back up the military movement of equipment to Saudi Arabia.

But shipbrokers here said that the amount of tonnage being sought was of minor significance for rate levels.

In the absence of fixtures in any great numbers, brokers saw the heavily-weighted U.S. Gulf to Japan grain route as vulnerable.

The index value of fixings on the route edged down to 21.167 dollars per ton from 21.250 at the end of the previous week.

Quotes for other main grain routes were also lower, with vessels on the U.S. Gulf to Europe trip fetching 10.967 dollars per ton down from 11.50, and carriers bound for Japan from North Pacific ports being quoted at 10.567, down from 10.65.

U.S. Gulf to Venezuela loaders saw slightly improved rates, up from 12.03

dollars per ton to 12.042.

Rates for coal carriers dropped to 10.283 dollars per ton from 10.50 on the Australia to Europe route, and to 6.192 dollars per ton from 6.2 for East Coast USA to Europe fixings.

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#90246d8650 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Ankara (SEPT. 3) - The French aeronautics firm Aerospatiale has been picked to build and launch Turkey's first communications satellites, the Turkish posts and telecommunications authority Ptt announced here Monday.

The project involves two satellites, to be mamed Turksat. The first is to be placed in orbit in mid-1993 and the second is to be launched a year later.

British Aerospace and the U.S. firm Hughes had also been competing for the project estimated to cost roughly 600 million dollars.

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#90246d8790 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, West Germany (SEPT. 3) - West Germany's trade surplus fell 23 percent in July over the same month last year to 8.2 billion Deutsche marks (5.1 billion dollars) from 10.6 billion DM (6.6 billion dollars), the federal statistics office said Monday.

The economy ministry meanwhile announced Monday that industrial production rose 1.7 percent in July over the June level according to provisional seasonally-adjusted figures.

The July trade surplus was the same as that in June, when it also stood at 8.2 billion Deutsche marks, and took the cumulative surplus for the first seven months of the yar to 72.9 billion Deutsche marks (45.5 billion dollars), down 9.7 percent from the 80.7 billion (50.4 billion dollars) in the same period last year.

The trade surplus for the whole of 1989 totalled a record 134.7 billion Deutsche marks (84.1 billion dollars).

Imports rose 12 percent in July over the same month last year to 45.8 billion Deutsche marks (28.6 billion dollars), while exports were up 4.6 per cent at 54 billion Deutsche marks (33.8 billion dollars).

For the first seven months of 1990, total imports were up 5.7 percent over the same period last year at 308.7 billion Deutsche marks (192.9 billion dollars), while exports rose a mere 2.4 percent to 381.6 billion (238.5

billion dollars).

Import prices fell 3.9 percent over the seven months compared to the same period of 1989, while export prices were down 0.7 percent.

The statistics office did not, as is its usual practice, publish current account figures for July along with the trade figures.

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#90246d8930 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 3) - British retail sales rose 1.3 percent in July over the June level, according to revised figures released here Monday by the Central Statistical Office.

An earlier official estimate had put the retail sales increase in July at one percent.

The revised figure gave a rise in retail sales of 2.7 percent year on year, against 1.1 percent in June.

In the three months to July retail sales rose 0.2 percent over the previous quarter, in line with the government's forecasts, and 1.75 percent over the same quarter in 1989.

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#90246d9140 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manama (SEPT. 3) - Saudi Arabian oil output for September was expected to rise to 7.65 million barrels per day to make up for the Iraq and Kuwait shortfall, while the United Arab Emirates was expected to restore its output to around 2 million bd, it was reported Monday.

The authoritative newsletter Middle East Economic Survey (Mees) said it the Saudi rise represented 2.27 million bd over the level of 5.38 million bd which the country had been producing since last May.

The increase followed the the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) aggreement, reached in Vienna last week allowing members states to raise output to compensate for supply shortages.

Of the 7.65 million bd September output, 7.5 million bd is programmed to come from the Arabian American Oil Company fields in eastern Saudi Arabia.

The remaining 150,000 bd would be from Saudi Arabia's half share of the 300,000 bd produced by the Arabian Oil Company of Japan from the Neutral Zone offshore fields. The other half share belongs to Kuwait.

The aoc neutral zone, whose production and export facilities are located on the Saudi side of the border, are still operating normally. But the Neutral zone onshore fields, whose output and export facilities are on the Kuwaiti side of the borders, were shut down August 2 after the Iraqi invasion.

As to distribution of the additional output, Mees said Saudi Arabia is giving top priority to developing countries whose oil supplies have been affected by the IraqiKuwait cutoff. These include Turkey, Brazil, the Philippines, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, South Korea and Taiwan.

Meanwhile with Opec restrictions lifted, Uae crude production was also expected to increase by 500,000 bd above the quota level of 1.5 million bd. The increase will come from Abu Dhabi, while Dubai will maintain its 400,000 barrels per day output.

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#90246d9200 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BonnBerlin (SEPT. 3) - West German industrial production rose by 1.5 percent from June to July, and was running 4 percent above June-July 1989 levels, at the same time that East German output plunged 42 percent in July, according to separate reports Monday.

In Bonn, the Economics Ministry said that the two-month period of June-July showed a 2.5 percent industrial output growth over the preceding April-May period and 4 percent over June-July of 1989.

Manufacturing was the strongest sector, with an overall 4.4 percent higher output in June-July compared to the same two months last year, the Bonn ministry said.

The construction sector was running 2.8 percent stronger in June-July, while electricity and gas production was barely higher at 0.2 percent. The only decline was the 1.3 percent dip in mining activity in June-July, the ministry said.

In East Berlin, the East German Office of Statistics said that during July, the first month of the East-West German economic union, industrial output in East Germany plunged 35 percent from June levels and was 42 percent below July 1989.

Contributing to the July figures was a 60 percent plunge in metallurgy, a 58 percent drop in food production, and a 51 percent decline in both textiles and light manufacturing.

Out of 69 branches of industry in East Germany, the office said, only three managed to achieve the same level of output as in July 1989. These were railroad construction, polygraphic machinery, and wood and paper processing

equipment.

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#90246d9290 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 3) - President Corazon Aquino on Monday defended her policy to repay the Philippines' 26 billion dollar foreign debt after she was sharply criticised by the influential leader of the country's Roman Catholic church.

"What we are hoping to do is to have a negotiated arrangement. We are against a unilateral approach to the debt problem," she told a news conference, 10 days after she had to sit through a biting sermon by Jaime Cardinal Sin.

The Manila archbishop said during a memorial mass for victims of July's earthquake that it was "morally wrong" to service the country's foreign debt "in the face of such widespread lack of basic necessities among our people."

Mrs. Aquino confirmed reports that a senior aide, Finance Secretary Jesus Estanislao, had since called on the cardinal to explain the government's position on the issue, and said she would order Mr. Estanislao to seek another appointment with him.

Mrs. Aquino said she had given instructions to Manila's debt negotiators to "seek more relief measures and also seek a better debt program with our foreign creditors."

The church exerts a tremendous moral influence in this predominantly Roman Catholic nation of 60 million, whose population program has failed to take off due to church opposition to virtually every form of birth control.

Most of the foreign debt was acquired under Mrs. Aquino's deposed predecessor Ferdinand Marcos. It stood at more than 28 billion dollars when she came to power in 1986 after a popular revolt.

Bankers have warned that international credit could dry up for Manila if it adopts a radical solution to the debt problem like Peru's unilateral moratorium on debt servicing.

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#90246d9320 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 3) - Toyota Motor Corp. said Monday it had bought a helicopter from French firm Aerospatiale for 890 million yen (6.1 million dollars).

Japan's top carmaker said it would use the eight-passenger Aerospatiale machine to link its headquarters in central Japan with Tokyo branch offices.

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#90246d9440 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Accra (SEPT. 3) - Ghana said Monday that drilling tests conducted by Petro-Canada and Philips offshore the Tano Basin in the west of the country have shown ''real potential'' for oil and gas production, the Ghana News Agency (Gna) reported.

Gna quoted Ghana National Petroleum Corporation (Gnpc) executive chairman Tstsu Stikaka as saying that the corporation will embark on appraisal tests between between October and December to increase Ghana's chances of success in oil and gas production.

The appraisal tests will be financed by Petro-Canada with five million Canadian dollars, the World Bank with three million U.S. dollars, and the Ghana government.

''Ghana is encouraged to carry out more tests because two studies done by Gnpc prove that using the horizontal drilling technology could increase oil discoveries in the Tano Basin,'' Tsikata said.

He added that Ghana is also studying how best to integrate oil and gas production in the area into a common production facility in order to save costs.

Talks have also been going on with the Volta River Authority which manages Ghana's hydro-electric power to determine how any electrical power generated from gas could be fed into the national grid.

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#90246d9960 09/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 3) - Kuwaiti Oil Minister Rasheed Al-Ameeri Al-Sabah pledged Monday to fulfill his country's investment commitments in Thailand while seeking continued support for U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

Mr. Rasheed made the pledge in talks here with Thai Foreign Minister Subin Pinkayan, saying that Kuwait planned to draw from its bank accounts around the world to fulfill multi-million dollar investment commitments made in Thailand before Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, a foreign ministry official said.

The Kuwaiti commitments include plans to set up 200 gasoline stations nationwide and develop Thailand's southern seaboard.

The foreign ministry's ambassador-at-large Kobsak Chutikul quoted Mr. Rasheed as saying that Kuwait would reimburse all foreign workers for costs incurred in fleeing the occupied country if the former independent regime was restored.

Mr. Rasheed was on a tour of Asia, which had already taken him to Indonesia, Singapore, Pakistan and Bangladesh, to seek pledges for the continued support of U.N. sanctions against Iraq, Mr. Kobsak said.

The discussions between the two ministers did not touch on Thailand's bilateral relations with Iraq, he said.

While supporting the sanctions, Bangkok has maintained contact with Baghdad to facilitate the exodus of Thai nationals from Iraq and Kuwait, Mr. Kobask said.

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#90246f0439 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 3) UPI - The Year of the No-Hitter means even Dave Stieb can pitch one.

Stieb, who had lost three previous no-hit bids with two out in the ninth, Sunday fired the ninth gem of the season and the first in Blue Jays history, leading Toronto to a 3-0 victory over the Cleveland Indians.

Stieb, 17-5, faced 28 batters and hurled with such command that only Ken Phelps - with a liner that went foul by three feet in the eighth inning - came close to hitting safely. Stieb, 33, a seven-time All Star, struck out nine and walked four.

''At one point or another, I wondered,'' Stieb said on whether he thought he would ever throw a no-hitter. ''It's not the kind of thing you want to dwell on. It takes a lot of luck to do it. That's how I felt today. It was all luck.''

''We didn't hit the ball hard,'' said Cleveland Manager John McNamara. ''There were no tough plays.''

Before a crowd of 23,640, Fred McGriff hit two solo homers, in the fourth and eighth innings, giving him 31 for the year and 30 or more three straight seasons. Manny Lee doubled home Ken Williams in the fifth for the other run.

Toronto swept the three-game series and has won four straight. The Indians finished their homestand with an 0-7 record. Bud Black, 10-9, took the loss.

Stieb walked Alex Cole to start the game and also walked Carlos Baerga in the second, but both Cole and Baerga were caught stealing. Phelps also walked to lead off the eighth and Cole walked with two out in the ninth.

Toronto outfielders recorded just seven putouts, the last of which ended the game.

''I thought about it in the second or third inning,'' Stieb said of the no-hitter. ''There were a lot of zeroes up there. I started thinking seriously about it in the sixth. But the way I've lost them before, it's always too soon.''

Stieb entered the game with a record of hard luck in achieving no-hitters. On Sept. 24, 1988, he lost a classic with two out in the ninth on Julio Franco's bad-hop single over the head of second baseman Lee. In his next start, Stieb again went 8 2-3 innings before Baltimore spoiled it.

Last Aug. 4, New York's Roberto Kelly doubled with two out in the ninth to break up a bid for a perfect game.

''I had much better stuff the other times,'' Stieb said. ''All along I knew it took a lot of luck to get a no-hitter. I had great stuff in those games I lost in the ninth. I thought I should have gotten one then. It's ironic to get one here.''

Royals 8, Mariners 0

At Seattle, Danny Tartabull drove in five runs, George Brett collected three hits and Tom Gordon fired a three-hitter, helping Kansas City break a three-game slide. Gordon, 10-9, earned his sixth complete game and first shutout of the season.

Athletics 4, Rangers 2

At Oakland, Harold Baines hit his first home run as a member of the Athletics and Rickey Henderson stole the 925th base of his career. The decision, combined with Chicago's loss to California, raised Oakland's lead to 6 1/2 games. Dennis Eckersley pitched the ninth for his 41st save.

Angels 1, White Sox

At California, Chuck Finley, 17-6, and Bryan Harvey combined on a five-hitter and Jack Howell homered in the fifth to down Chicago. The game ended with Ozzie Guillen being picked off second by catcher Lance Parrish. Alex Fernandez fell to 2-2. Chicago had won all previous five games in Anaheim this season.

Brewers 4, Orioles 2

At Milwaukee, Greg Brock homered and hit a sacrifice fly and Jaime Navarro allowed eight hits over 8 1-3 innings for the Brewers. Navarro, 6-5, struck out four and walked one. He took a shutout into the ninth but surrendered a two-run homer to Mike Devereaux with one out. Jose Mesa, 0-2 took the loss.

Twins 4, Tigers 3

At Minnesota, Greg Gagne hit a two-run homer and Scott Erickson pitched 7 2-3 strong innings to help the Twins snap a three-game losing streak. The decision also ended Detroit's four-game surge. Erickson, 4- 4, notched his first victory since Aug. 8. The Tigers' Jack Morris fell to 11-16.

Red Sox 7, Yankees 1

At Boston, Mike Greenwell and Ellis Burks combined to drive in all of Boston's runs, backing Tom Bolton and helping the Red Sox complete an historic sweep. By notching its 10th straight victory, Boston also capped its first ever home series sweep of New York in a rivalry that dates to 1903.

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#90246p0801 09/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The merger of The Citizens and Southern Corp. (NYSE: CTZ) and Sovran Financial Corp. (NYSE: SOV) was completed Saturday, Sept. 1, creating C&S/Sovran Corp., the 13th largest financial institution in the U.S. with assets of $50.3 billion at June 30.

The common stock of C&S/Sovran Corp. will commence trading on the New York Stock Exchange Tuesday, Sept. 4, under the symbol CVN.

The merger was announced Sept. 26, 1989, and approved by the Federal Reserve July 25 this year. Chairman and CEO Bennett A. Brown said, "This combination creates a significant force as we build on the historic strengths of each institution."

President and Chief Operating Officer Dennis C. Bottorff said, "We have assembled a management team and designed an operating structure that will permit us to maximize value for our shareholders and customers, and control risks throughout the company."

Headquartered in Atlanta and Norfolk, the company serves more than 5 million individual and business customers in its principal banking region -- Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Maryland, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and the District of Columbia.

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#90246u0087 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 3) UPI - As tens of thousands of U-S troops sit poised in the Saudi desert, Jesse Jackson called upon Washington to pursue diplomatic means to resolve the situation. Jackson returned to Washington Sunday after interviewing Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein and acting as an intermediary for U-S detainees in the tense region. In Jackson's words... ''if there is a window of opportunity for dialogue... it ought to be pursued.''

Illinois Governor James Thompson said Sunday that the area ravaged by a tornado last Tuesday has been declared a federal disaster area. Thompson said President Bush extended his August 29th disaster declaration to include Kendall County. The previous announcement included only Will County. The new status enables Kendall residents to qualify for low-interest loans and a variety of services that include crisis counseling and family grants.

America's shuttle program appears to be back on track, at least tentatively. NASA engineers Sunday replaced a deficient electronics component in a telescope which will be used in the spaceplane's upcoming astronomical mission. The repair paved the way for space agency officials to set Columbia's launch date for Thursday. The spaceplane was supposed to lift off last week.

A survey of America's teachers indicates that recent talk of school reform is little more than talk. A large majority of educators... 71 percent... questioned by the Carnegie Foundation say they play a minimal role in shaping their schools' curriculum. Despite the frustration cited by the more than 21-thousand participants in the poll, 96 percent say they spend money from their own pockets to improve their classes.

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#90246u0088 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 3) UPI - A report Sunday quotes African-Americans as saying that racism of white-dominated U-S news sources is the reason the public has NOT heard about a Kenyan drug that is touted as an AIDS cure. Kenya's government markets the drug... Kemron... which is said by Kenyan scientists to have rid 50 AIDS patients of the deadly virus. The report quoted blacks as saying the West's mistrust of African science was a key factor in Kemron's being ignored.

Business in general was reported down along the boardwalk in Virginia Beach, Virginia, during the weekend. But things were different for a young black entrepeneur marketing t-shirts aimed at the audience attracted to the city for Laborfest '90. Troi Gordon's recently opened shop featured shirts geared to the black audience in town for a weekend festival. Among the shirts sold was cartoon hero Bart Simpson sporting glasses like slain black leader Malcolm X.

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#90246u0114 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

Baseball
American League
Toronto at Detroit, 1:35 p.m.
Minnesota at Milwaukee, 2, 2:05 p.m.
Seattle at Baltimore, 4:05 p.m.
California at New York, 4:05 p.m.
Oakland at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Kansas City at Chicago, 7:35 p.m.
Cleveland at Texas, 8:35 p.m.

National League
Cincinnati at Atlanta, 1:10 p.m.
Chicago at Montreal, 1:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 1:35 p.m.
New York at St. Louis, 2:15 p.m.
Houston at Los Angeles, 10:05 p.m.
San Francisco at San Diego, 10:35 p.m.

Boxing
Dublin - AIBA World Cup

Tennis
New York - U.S. Open

Yachting
Yachting, Flying Dutchman World Championships, Newport, R.I

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(SEPT. 3) UPI -

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	76	55	.580	-
Pittsburgh	76	56	.576	1/2

Montreal	69	63	.523	7 1/2
Chicago	62	70	.470	14 1/2
Philadelphia	62	70	.470	14 1/2
St. Louis	60	73	.451	17
West				
Cincinnati	77	55	.583	-
Los Angeles	71	62	.534	6 1/2
San Francisco	67	66	.504	10 1/2
San Diego	61	71	.462	16
Houston	60	73	.451	17 1/2
Atlanta	53	80	.398	24 1/2

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#90246u0173 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (SEPT. 3) UPI - Countdown clocks resumed ticking Monday for the shuttle Columbia's delayed blastoff Thursday, with the ship's telescope payload back in order after an around-the-clock weekend repair job to fix a communications glitch.

The carefully orchestrated countdown began on time Monday at 1 a.m. EDT Monday for a launch attempt at 1:20 a.m. Thursday, five days late because of an electrical problem with one of the four telescopes making up Columbia's $150 million payload.

A faulty electronics assembly was removed from the Broad Band X-ray Telescope Saturday and replaced with a unit flown in from the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md.

Engineers initially had problems verifying the new component would work properly in orbit, but around 4 p.m. Sunday, NASA spokesman Richard Young said the telescope was working properly once again and that Columbia had been cleared for a second launch attempt Thursday.

''We're go for Thursday,'' he said.

With Columbia already running three months behind schedule because of a hydrogen fuel leak, NASA managers are eager to finally get the spaceplane off the ground to end a long, launchless summer highlighted by a storm of criticism over problems with the Hubble Space Telescope and other agency programs.

But NASA officials said last week Columbia would not be launched until all systems were ''go,'' regardless of the potential impact of a delay on the space agency's tight flight schedule.

Shuttle skipper Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike''

Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46, originally were scheduled for launch at 1:17 a.m. Saturday.

But last Wednesday night, as Columbia's cargo bay doors were being closed for launch, data from the Broad Band X-ray Telescope suddenly stopped flowing to the ground.

The ''BBXRT'' is one of four astronomical telescopes aboard Columbia that are designed to study the high-energy X-ray and ultraviolet light emitted from some of the most violent objects in the universe in a bid to learn more about the structure and evolution of the cosmos.

With the 10-day flight on hold, engineers opened the ship's payload bay doors Friday to gain access to a faulty ''multi-rate multiplexer'' bolted to the side of the BBXRT.

The multiplexer is used to convert engineering data from the telescope to a form that can be transmitted to the ground through the shuttle. Such data is important for safe telescope operation because the BBXRT is chilled with supercold solidified argon.

Given the communications glitch with the multiplexer, mission managers could not clear Columbia for launch without first fixing the multiplexer because of an inability to monitor the temperature and pressure of the argon.

Overnight Friday, engineers rigged a special cable to bypass a faulty electrical component in the multiplexer called a ''line driver.'' If the plan had worked, Columbia would have been cleared for a launch at 1:20 a.m. Wednesday.

But the electronic bypass operation did not correct the problem, forcing engineers to take the more drastic step of removing the entire assembly.

The goal of Columbia's mission is to study invisible X-rays and ultraviolet light from the most energetic objects in the universe to learn more about the forces that shape the structure and evolution of the cosmos.

Unlike the Hubble Space Telescope, the four Astro-1 telescopes will remain in Columbia's payload bay throughout the mission.

Working in two shifts around the clock, Columbia's astronauts will operate three ultraviolet telescopes from the shuttle's flight deck. The Broad Band X-ray Telescope, however, will be operated by remote control by scientists on the ground.

#90246u0175 09/03/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (SEPT. 3) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze held talks with his North Korean counterpart Kim Yong Nam shortly after flying into Pyongyang from northeast China, the (North) Korean Central News Agency reported Monday.

The agency's brief dispatch, monitored in Tokyo, said the two Communist foreign ministers discussed ''matters of the international situation including the situation in the Asia-Pacific region and a series of matters of mutual concern.''

The agency declined to elaborate.

The Soviet news agency Tass, in its dispatch from Pyongyang, said Shevardnadze and Kim met for four hours with discussions focused on ''the situation on the Korean Peninsula.''

Before departing from Moscow, Shevardnadze said in an exclusive interview with a major Japanese daily that he would discuss with North Korean officials ways to ease military confrontation on the Korean Peninsula and stressed the importance of U.S. participation in achieving the goal.

The United States deploys about 40,000 troops in South Korea.

Shevardnadze said removal of tension on the peninsula conforms to national interests of both Koreas and nations in Asia.

Shevardnadze also said the Soviet Union and South Korea have steadily expanded economic and trade ties but declined comment on when the two countries will establish diplomatic relations.

The Korea Peninsula is divided into the democratic South and the Communist North.

North Korea, ruled by President Kim Il Sung since its founding after World War II, is one of few Soviet bloc nations clinging to the old form of communism despite sweeping reforms in Eastern Europe.

Korea watchers said North Korea was displeased with the recent moves toward rapproachement between the Soviet Union and South Korea, particularly the June meeting in San Francisco between Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and South Korean President Roh Tae Woo.

En route to Pyongyang, Shevardnadze stopped in the northeast Chinese city of Harbin for talks with Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen.

He is scheduled to arrive in Tokyo Tuesday to attend the regular

Soviet-Japanese foreign ministers' meeting after a stop in the Siberian naval port of Vladivostok.

The Foreign Ministry said Shevardnadze and Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama will hold three sessions to discuss matters of common interest.

Topics of discussions will include Gorbachev's long-pending visit to Japan probably in the spring, and a territorial dispute over four North Pacific islands held by Moscow since the end of World War II but claimed by Japan, ministry sources said.

The dispute has prevented improvement of relations between the two countries and the signing of a bilateral peace treaty.

The two foreign ministers also are expected to discuss Japan's economic and technological assistance to support Gorbachev's glasnost and perestroika reform policies, the sources said.

At the Houston summit of seven Western advanced nations in July, Japan withheld its decision to offer financial aid to Moscow because of the territorial issue.

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#90246u0201 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 3) UPI - The major league baseball record book received another entry Sunday as Toronto Blue Jay pither Dave Steib hurled the major league's ninth NO-hitter of the 1990 season. Toronto defeated Cleveland 3-0. For Steib, the accomplishment was sweet justice... coming after three previous cases in which he lost NO-hit bids with one out to go. This year's major-league season has featured a record number of NO hitters.

Sunday marked the opening of one of the world's foremost air shows. The gathering in Farnborough, England, is expected to attract 350- thousand visitors. The show boasts exhibits from more than 100 countries. Demand is falling for products from the aerospace industry for reasons ranging from sagging economies to reduced tensions throughout Europe.

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#90246u0206 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (SEPT. 3) UPI - Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen will not attend planned peace talks in Jakarta unless resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk also participates, official Cambodian radio reported.

The radio quoted a letter from Hun Sen, leader of the Vietnamese- backed Cambodian government, in response to an invitation by Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas to attend the talks Wednesday in Jakarta.

''I am very happy over the Cambodian informal meeting that Your Excellency has proposed ... in order to decide the composition of the Supreme National Council which will quickly open the way toward a common solution for the Cambodian problem,'' he wrote.

But, Hun Sen said, since Sihanouk, leader of the U.N.-recognized resistance coalition, would not attend the talks, he also would not attend sending in his place Hor Nam Hong, a minister attached to the prime minister's office.

''In the case that Prince Norodom Sihanouk ... agrees to attend this meeting, I will leave immediately for Jakarta in order to attend the meeting,'' Hun Sen's letter said.

A spokesman for Sihanouk in Bangkok, Ek Sereywuth, said Sihanouk was sending son Prince Norodom Ranariddh to the Jakarta meeting because he felt it was only the opening preliminary in what is likely to be a protracted negotiations.

''The prince believes there will have to be other meetings including a reconvening of the Paris conference before there is any final agreement,'' Ek Sereywuth said.

The Jakarta meeting is intended to bridge differences over the formation of a Supreme National Council and to consider a comprehensive peace plan worked out by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council.

In a separate broadcast Sunday Phnom Penh radio reported on what it said was a secret meeting in April of the Khmer Rouge, the most powerful guerrilla group within the three-party resistance coalition.

It said the chairman of the meeting, Khmer Rouge chief of staff Chhit Chhoeun, also known as Ta Mok, told military commanders that the four factions would be unable to maintain a peace settlement and that civil war would soon break out again.

According to the radio, Ta Mok said the Khmer Rouge would use subversive tactics and stores of ammunition.

''The masses who have been indoctrinated will certainly support us and we will be able to seize the final victory,'' he was quoted as saying.

The radio said the account came from secret government agents who have infiltrated the Khmer Rouge, but gave no other substantiation for the report, which justifies repeated government warnings that the Khmer Rouge is planning a second phase of war after a political settlement.

The report said the guerrilla group still enjoyed firm support from China, but it warned that the situation was fluid and ''liberal democracy has infiltrated the world.''

It said former Khmer Rouge Prime Minister and Communist Party leader Pol Pot was in charge of military research and strategy with the title of commander of the western and southwest military region.

Earlier this year, the Khmer Rouge reported that Pol Pot resigned from all active positions.

A Vietnamese invasion ousted the Pol Pot government in 1979 after nearly four years in power that left more than 1 million Cambodians dead from political executions, hunger and inadequate medical care.

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#90246u0211 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 3) UPI - Share prices tumbled 2 percent in Tokyo Monday as investors worried that the market had advanced too far the week before.

Profit-taking and arbitrage selling dominated light trading as the 225-issue Nikkei average fell 557.94 points, or 2.1 percent, to end at 25,420.43.

The Nikkei closed Friday with a 308.41-point gain.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index of all major shares, which advanced 17.95 points Friday, slid 28.05 points to end at 1,945.92.

Volume was estimated at 360 million shares, down from Friday's estimate of 600 million shares.

Buyers faded to the sidelines as rumors of insider trading scandals and reports of higher energy prices swept the market floor, brokers said.

Rising oil prices and a Japanese press report that Saudi prices for liquified petroleum gas was about to jump 64 percent discouraged buying, they said.

Additionally, arbitrage selling pushed the Nikkei down, they said.

But the underlying factor, said broker Paul Migliorato of Jardine Fleming (Securities) was that after a week that saw the Nikkei rise 7.3 percent, market players felt it was time for a correction.

''The Tokyo market led other world markets by about two times. That unnerved investors. They felt the market was too far out ahead,''

Migliorato said.

The market took a pessimistic view of the release of women and children hostages from Iraq, he said.

Combined with the failure of U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar's peace mission, investors felt the release increased the probability of war with Iraq, he said.

Share prices fell broadly, with 33 out of 36 sectors in the main section dropping.

Only mining shares showed any particular strength, advancing about 3 percent on speculation about future energy demands, brokers said.

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#90246u0260 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

ON THE U.S. FRONT, Saudi Arabia (SEPT. 3) UPI - Should Iraqi President Saddam Hussein order his armor to roll down the main highway from Kuwait, they are going to have to get past Col. Carl Fulford and his band of dirty U.S. Marines.

''If he chose to pour 1,000 tanks down that road, I would take them out one at a time,'' said Fulford in a slow Georgian drawl, gazing north across the shimmering desert toward Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

''Give me six hours, and I would put a barrier plan in here that would make it tough as hell,'' said Fulford, the quintessential plucky Marine leader.

About 70,000 U.S. personnel are now deployed in Saudi Arabia, equipped with the world's most advanced weaponry, and by all estimates, able to turn any Iraqi invasion into a foolhardy and bloody experience for Baghdad.

Security rules forbid giving the exact location of America's anti- Iraqi front, but the brunt of any attack would first be borne by Arab troops under Saudi command along the Kuwaiti frontier.

Small units of U.S. special forces would direct in devastating barrages from naval vessels in the Persian Gulf, including salvos from the 16-inch guns of the battleship USS Wisconsin.

Sorties by tank-buster aircraft such as Apache and Cobra gunships and A-10 Thunderbolts would try to blunt the armored advance, but should the Iraqi tanks still keep coming, the first large-scale U.S. ground opposition would probably come from the Marines.

The 7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade is strewn across a 15-mile- long front that straddles the main highway leading down from Kuwait.

Baghdad could order its armor to outflank the Marines and traverse through the desert, but vital wheeled resupply vehicles bearing fuel and munitions could not keep up with the tracked leaders, and controlling the freeway would become essential.

The 24th Mechanized Infantry Division is now deploying in the desert to the west of the Marines to deter any Iraqi flanking operation, and mines sown by air would also direct Baghdad's forces into areas where they could be hammered by artillery and mobile anti-tank units.

''If we fight the battle, we have got to be totally mobile because of (Saddam's) strength,'' said a senior Marine officer. ''(Armored vehicles) and Cobras would come on back, and delay, hit, delay, hit, and then we go into our main battle positions.''

Militarily, Baghdad has started displaying great caution, apparently anxious not to provoke any action with a superpower, and clearly aware that any attack on Saudi Arabia would be for stakes of nothing less than national survival.

If political options are exhausted and war erupts, it is probable the American and pan-Arab forces will do the advancing, giving Iraq the more desirable task of defending.

Strategists have always held that attackers should outnumber defenders by 3 to 1 to outweigh the vulnerability of moving against fixed positions, such as Fulford's.

American ground forces should double in two weeks and about 1,000 top-range M1 tanks will soon be in place, giving the United States a clear ground offensive capability.

But they will still be numerically inferior to the estimated 170,000 Iraqis in Kuwait, part of Baghdad's overall million-strong military.

This disadvantage is outweighed by a presumed air superiority and pejorative assessment of the fighting ability of Saddam's armies, but there should be no doubt that a war will involve plenty of fatalities on both sides.

''If the president and national command authority asks us to go north, we will go north,'' said Fulford.

Naturally, death is an unpalatable concept, but also unsavory is the thought of longterm deployment in a forbidding enviornment of heat, snakes

and grime.

Showers and sleeping in air-conditioned rooms are luxuries given during overnight rotations to rear positions about once every two weeks. The onus on the dust-ladden men is to adjust to the desert and train, train, train, should the order come to head north.

''If you want to come out of this, you have to know your job,'' said a staff sergeant from Chino, Calif. ''We know that we are going to lose some.''

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(SEPT. 3) UPI - Thunderstorms rumbled across parts of the upper Midwest and threatened boaters off the Delaware coast Monday but most of the nation enjoyed a last taste of summertime sunshine on the final day of the holiday weekend.

Temperatures in northeastern New York state responded like clockwork to the unofficial end of summer by dropping steadily through the morning as brisk winds ushered in a cold front.

Crystal clear skies covered the area as temperatures dropped into the 50s. The thermometer was expected to continue its fall into the night, and forecasters warned of possible frost at higher elevations in the extreme northern sections of the state.

The National Weather Service posted a severe thunderstorm warning for northern South Dakota as rain moved eastward across the state.

To the east, Minnesota also received a dousing by thunderstorms that carried frequent lightning and possibly some small hail. The storms moved at about 15 mph, producing heavy rains in certain areas.

A cold front passed across the Delaware and Maryland coasts spawning thunderstorms with lightning, gusty wind and hail. Boaters in the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of Delaware were warned to move out of the storm's path.

To the north along the Atlantic coast, the greater Boston area and nearby parts of Massachusets had sunny skies and cool temperatures for the holiday.

Skies were generally fair over the West Monday, except some showers in the Pacific Northwest that resulted from a low-pressure area off the coast.

Hot and generally fair weather continued across the South on Labor Day.

The only rain of note came Sunday in scattered thundershowers across Florida and south Mississippi, where Natchez got three quarters of an inch and McComb slightly more than half an inch of rain.

Muscle Shoals, Ala., recorded a 100-degree reading Sunday, and Greenwood, Miss., Tupelo, Miss., and Memphis, Tenn. had 99s.

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LONDON (SEPT. 3) UPI - The U.S. dollar opened higher against the major European currencies Monday, gaining strength from the absence of fighting in the Persian Gulf, analysts said. Gold was up.

Trading was very thin, however, because U.S. financial centers were closed for the Labor Day holiday, dealers said.

Against the dollar, the pound fell 2.3 cents, opening at $1.8695 against $1.8930 Friday.

The recent fall in oil prices and bearish comments on the British economy were blamed for the drop in sterling.

In Frankfurt, the dollar opened higher at 1.5845 German marks against Friday's close of 1.5750. It was also up in Zurich at 1.3195 Swiss francs from 1.3080.

The dollar rose in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at 5.3125 French francs against 5.2425, 32.5750 Belgian francs against 32.20 and at 1,174.50 lire against 1,159.20.

Earlier in Tokyo, the U.S. dollar drifted lower against the Japanese yen amid expectations of easing U.S. credit to stimulate America's slowing economy.

The dollar closed at 143.55 yen, down 0.95 yen from Friday's close of 144.50 yen, the Bank of Japan said.

The U.S. unit closed higher in Hong Kong at 7.7662 Hong Kong dollars compared to 7.7618, and was up in Singapore at 1.7655 Singapore dollars from 1.7650 Thursday.

Gold closed higher in Hong Kong at $387.05 an ounce from $385.25.

Gold opened higher in Zurich at $387 against $384.50, but was unchanged in London at $385.25.

Silver opened unchanged in Zurich at $4.80 an ounce, but was fractionally

higher in London at $4.82 an ounce from $4.81.

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(SEPT. 3) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

Hundreds of female and children hostages freed by the Iraqis arrived in their home countries, at least 40 of them Americans accompanied by civil rights leader Jesse Jackson, but the captives' release did little for the prospects of resolving the Persian Gulf crisis any time soon. In a further deterioration of the situation, East German Ambassador Kurt Merkel and his wife in Kuwait City were arrested by Iraqi authorities, East Germany's ADN news agency reported Sunday. It was believed to be the first such Iraqi action against diplomats since Baghdad ordered all foreign embassies in occupied Kuwait to close Aug. 24, an order that has been defied by the United States and other nations.

ON THE U.S. FRONT, Saudi Arabia - Should Iraqi President Saddam Hussein order his armor to roll down the main highway from Kuwait, they are going to have to get past Col. Carl Fulford and his band of dirty U.S. Marines. ''If he chose to pour 1,000 tanks down that road, I would take them out one at a time,'' said Fulford in a slow Georgian drawl, gazing north across the shimmering desert toward Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. ''Give me six hours, and I would put a barrier plan in here that would make it tough as hell,'' said Fulford, the quintessential plucky Marine leader. About 70,000 U.S. personnel are now deployed in Saudi Arabia, equipped with the world's most advanced weaponry, and by all estimates, able to turn any Iraqi invasion into a foolhardy and bloody experience for Baghdad.

WASHINGTON - A former male hostage expressed anger at the conditions under which Iraq held the hostages. ''The people that I just left about 24 hours ago are held against their will without water, without food, without electricity,'' said Lloyd Culbertson, 76, a Canadian national who made his home in El Paso, Texas, before going to Kuwait to teach electronics to the military.

Iraq's ambassador to the United States, Mohamed al-Mashat, was at the airport to greet the women and children and told reporters Iraq is ready to set male foreigners free if the United States promises not to attack Iraq. He left the airport as Culbertson spoke.

LONDON - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said Sunday whatever action Britain must take to deter Iraqi President Sadddam Hussein will not be influenced by the hostages he has taken. ''If you in fact allow the taking of hostages ... to determine your action against a dictator, he has won. And all he'll ever do ... is to take hostages, knowing that other people would then never take the requisite action to stop such a dictator.''

WASHINGTON - The Bush administration may have to start answering questions from Capital Hill soon on its Middle East policy. Congress returns to Washington this week and many members visited the troubled area during the recess. Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., chairman of a House subcommittee on the Middle East, said the president has had his way so far but, ''Now that changes and the president is going to have to deal with the Congress.''

AMMAN, Jordan - U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar reiterated Sunday that he was ''disappointed'' that two days of talks with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq made no real progress toward resolving the crisis. He said he was unable to persuade Iraq to comply with U.N. Security Council demands that it withdraw from Kuwait.

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AMMAN, Jordan (SEPT. 3) UPI - Fifty more Jordanians departed by bus Monday on the long, dusty trip to Kuwait, joining hundreds of others who in recent days have been quietly slipping back to try resuming their lives under Iraqi rule.

''I have to go back to my home and family,'' Mohammad Zackaria, an accountant, said before he boarded the bus with his wife and daughter to rejoin their four sons who have remained since the Iraqi invasion Aug. 2.

According to sources at the Jordanian Interior Ministry, hundreds of Jordanians who live in Kuwait but were in Jordan at the time of the invasion have been returning.

They were unable to give a figure for the total number of people who have returned, but said that on Sunday alone, at least 1,346 Jordanians departed on the drive to Kuwait through Iraq.

The return of Jordanians, mostly of Palestinian origin who have lived and worked in the tiny oil-rich Gulf state for decades, has gone virtually unnoticed - overshadowed by the exodus of tens of thousands of foreigners from Iraq and Kuwait.

About 300,000 Jordanians resided in Kuwait and many reportedly have stayed on, preferring to attempt to continue their lives rather than face uncertain futures back home, where unemployment is officially pegged at 15

percent.

In addition, support for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is high among Palestinians and Jordanians, despite the severe economic consequences of the Iraqi invasion, because of their bitterness over their treatment in Kuwait and opposition to the American-led military intervention in the Gulf.

The private Amman-based Shbelia Transport Co. is among a number of firms that have begun running regular trips by air-conditioned video- equipped buses to Kuwait for those wishing to return.

A spokeswoman for the firm said the first bus left last Thursday with 50 people aboard. Fifty more paid about $35 each to make the trip on Monday. The trips will be made twice a week, she said.

''My brother called from Basra in Iraq and he encouraged us to return to Kuwait, saying everything is quiet and that food, water and electricity are still available,'' Ismat Mohammad, who was born in Kuwait 30 years ago said as she boarded the bus.

Mohammad worked in a private import-export company for two years and like many Jordanians who live in Kuwait, spends her summers in Amman. She said that her Palestinian boss told her after he arrived in Jordan a week ago that the company was forced to close by the U.N.- imposed sanctions on Iraq and Kuwait.

Despite the loss of her job, she said she was returning to be with her family.

Bitterness was evident among those on the bus over the American-led military intervention in the Gulf and the blockade on Iraq.

''I've been in the private import-export business in Kuwait for 20 years, and my business has now gone down the drain because of the sanctions,'' said Wa'el Jardaneh. He has lived in Kuwait for 34 years.

Maha Mahmoud, who was also born and raised in Kuwait, was at the bus company offices seeking information on their service, saying she planned to join her husband and parents in Kuwait soon.

She said she would rather live under Iraqi rule than under the deposed-Kuwaiti royal family.

''I really believe it will be much better for us Palestinians now in Kuwait. We were not able to work in government institutions or even banks. I wasn't even allowed to enroll at the university because I was a non-Kuwaiti Palestinian. In Iraq, Palestinians are treated as equals, as

they are in their universities,'' Mahmoud said.

The fear of war breaking out was shared by those boarding the bus, but they said it is a risk they have to take.

''What options do we have? We must continue our lives normally and not wait around for a war to break out,'' said Mohammad. ''We can't afford to live in fear of war.''

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(SEPT. 3) UPI - Hundreds of female and children hostages held in Iraq arrived in their home countries yesterday, among them at least 40 Americans who were accompanied by civil rights leader Jesse Jackson. Despite the captives' release, it does NOT appear the Persian Gulf crisis will be resolved any time soon. U-N Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar said- ''Time is working against peace and in favor of Iraq.''

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Saudi Arabia has raised its oil production by two-Million barrels a day to compensate for shortages brought on by the crisis. Riyadh Radio made the announcement yesterday and quoted a Saudi source as saying the United Arab Emirates and Venezuela also are increasing their production levels. The decision follows an emergency OPEC meeting in Vienna last week.

One year ago rioting gutted the resort city of Virginia Beach, Virginia, during an annual beach party for black college students from along the East Coast. But this year, the crowd of about 28-thousand young people created few disturbances as they partied in the streets last night. City Manager Aubrey Watts Jr. said Laborfest '90, as it's called, had turned a corner for Virginia Beach.

A report released in Washington says the major newspapers and television networks routinely ''ignored, marginalized, or inaccurately portrayed'' the lives of the nation's 100-Million working men and women in 1989. The study by the Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting group says nightly network news programs devoted about two-point-three percent of their coverage to workers' issues.

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#90246u0362 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 3) UPI - NASA will try again Thursday morning to launch the long-delayed shuttle Columbia on an astronomy mission. The countdown clocks were re-started early this morning. Saturday's lift-off was canceled because of an electrical problem with one of four telescopes

aboard the shuttle. Columbia already is three months behind schedule.

Police say a 22-year-old man visiting New York with his family was fatally stabbed last night as he tried to protect his mother while the family was robbed and attacked by a group of teens. The incident occurred on a subway platform. Police say one youth punched the mother in the face. Brian Watkins was stabbed in the chest when he and his brother jumped to protect her.

U-S Park Police and Washington, D-C, authorities kept the public and media away from about 50 Ku Klux Klan members as they staged a small rally on the east side of the Capitol yesterday. Klan members originally planned a march from the Washington monument to the capitol, but anti- Klan demonstrators blocked their path and the group was driven by bus to their rally site.

The Persian Gulf crisis is certain to figure prominently when President Bush and Soviet President Gorbachev meet in Helsinki, Finland, on Sunday. But the surprise summit will also give the two leaders a chance to discuss the slow pace of arms reductions talks regarding conventional forces in Europe and strategic nuclear arsenals.

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LA VERNE, Calif. (SEPT. 3) UPI - A fire at a computer circuit board manufacturing plant produced a toxic cloud that forced evacuation early Monday of more than 400 people from a mile-square residential area, authorities said.

Six people were treated for nausea, dizziness and headaches after breathing chemical fumes, officials said.

The fire broke out about 9 p.m. Sunday at Super Tech, a computer circuit manufacturer plant 32 miles east of Los Angeles, La Verne Police Sgt. Jim Strona said.

An hour later a small surrounding area was evacuated and the evacuation zone was widened before midnight to one square mile. Officials estimated that 400 people were forced from their homes, some of them from a mobile home park.

By midnight, about 50 evacuees had gathered at a shelter set up at the La Verne civic center, Assistant City Manager Jeff Allred said.

Firefighters and hazardous materials teams from the La Verne, Pomona and Los Angeles County Fire Departments battled the blaze using fire-retardant foam and water, he said.

''It's a very slow process,'' he said. ''The (tainted water and foam) residue has to be vacuumed up by a hazardous materials truck. The hazardous materials truck they have out there is completely full and another truck is en route from Bakersfield,'' about 110 miles away, he said.

By sunrise the fire had almost burned itself out but some embers were still blazing, Strona said.

Some residents on the outskirts of the evacuated area were allowed back into their homes about 3 a.m. but about 200 others remained out of their homes in a five square-block area because of lingering fumes, he said.

The injured included two police officers who breathed the fumes and two firefighters. They were released after treatment for nausea, dizziness and headaches, Strona said.

Paramedics treated another person and a child for similar complaints at the evacuation center.

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OKA, Quebec (SEPT. 3) UPI - Heavily armed Canadian soldiers Monday tightened their perimeter around a group of armed and defiant Mohawk Indians who refused to surrender ''unconditionally,'' stalling an end to the seven-week-old dispute.

Army spokeswoman Capt. Lynne Bermel said troops moved in ''to tighten the perimeter as part of our military operation against the last Warrior stronghold.''

Bermel said the army moved several hundred yards closer to ''The Pines,'' an Indian alcohol and drug treatment center on the Kanesatake reserve, west of Montreal.

Oneida Nation Chief Terry Doxtator, a representative of the Six Nation Iroquois Confederacy and spokesman for the Mohawks, told reporters outside the treatment center the situation was ''desperate.''

Doxtator said the remaining Mohawk Warriors ''will not lay down their arms if the army moves in.''

He said the army issued an ultimatum to the Warriors Sunday night to lay down their weapons and surrender, and then gave notice of its intent to move in Monday morning.

Doxtator said the Warriors will not surrender ''unconditionally''.

More than 200 combat-ready soldiers, some on foot and others in armored personnel carriers, were concentrated in the area around the treatment center, the army said.

Bermel said the army's action was consistent with its original mandate to restore peace and security to the area. ''The security of the public is still at risk,'' she said. ''There are people there with arms and they pose a danger to public safety.''

But Bermel said the army now was consolidating its position and reestablishing defensive positions until further orders were issued.

About two dozen members of the Mohawk Warriors and an unknown number of women and children were reportedly holed up in the treatment center.

A larger group of men, women and children remained inside the reserve's community center and food bank, also refusing to leave.

The dispute in Oka began several months ago over a proposed expansion of the town's golf course on land that Mohawks on the Kanesatake reserve claim is an ancient burial ground. It turned violent July 11 when a provincial police officer was killed in a shootout with Mohawks.

The Mohawks fear retribution for the policeman's death from the Surete du Quebec, the province's police force, if they are handed over, Mohawk spokesmen indicated.

The Canadian army moved in to the Kanesatake reserve Saturday and since then has dismantled several native barricades, including the original standoff site where the July 11 ill-fated police raid was aimed.

The army's advance has not met with any resistance other than shouting matches and a series of stare-downs between soldiers and the militants. There have been reports of single shots being fired, including early Sunday, but no one has been reported injured.

A sympathetic dispute at a second Mohawk standoff site at the Kahnawake reserve near Chateauguay, south of Montreal, ended Saturday when the army moved in and removed a barricade on a key commuter bridge.

Talks for a peaceful, non-military, settlement of the native standoffs collapsed last Thursday after the Quebec government refused to return to the negotiating table.

The collapse upset some Mohawk negotiators who said there was a split between moderate, traditional Mohawks and militant members of the Warriors

Society who were pressing a demand for Indian sovereignty.

More than 3,000 heavily armed soldiers, equipped with tanks and armored personnel carriers, have been poised for several days at the Kahnawake and Kanesatake reserves awaiting orders to dismantle the barricades.

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#90246u0422 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (SEPT. 3) UPI - About 300 army reinforcements landing on a strategic northern island met stiff resistance from Tamil rebels and fought a series of skirmishes that left 53 guerrillas and two soldiers dead, a senior military official said Monday.

The violence came as the military continued its battle to gain control of northern Sri Lanka, where the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam are fighting to establish an independent Tamil homeland.

Navy landing craft carrying the 300 Sri Lankan army reinforcements landed on the island of Mullaitivu amid rebel gunfire Sunday morning, the senior military official said.

He said 20 rebels and two soldiers were killed by rebels during the landing phase of the assault. Another 33 rebels were killed as troops moved inland, he said.

The island is located a few miles south of the northern port town of Jaffna and was a staging area for the ongoing northern military offensive against the Tigers.

Security forces launched their offensive nearly two weeks ago in an attempt to break through guerrilla lines and relieve some 200 soldiers and policemen trapped inside a 300-year-old Dutch-built fort in Jaffna.

The operation, which involved about 3,600 troops backed by mortar fire and helicopter gunships, was expected to last only three days. But heavy enemy resistance slowed the military's drive and as of Monday they had failed to achieve their mission.

The soldiers and policemen have been trapped inside the star- shaped, 17th century fort since hostilities broke out in mid- June when the Tigers launched simultaneous attacks on four army camps in the eastern part of the country.

Since then, more than 2,600 soldiers, rebels and civilians have been killed in the fighting.

The Tigers have been fighting since 1983 to create an independent Tamil

homeland in the north and east of the country. But the situation in the teardrop-shaped island had remained relatively quiet for a year before the latest outbreak of warfare.

The minority Tamils, who are mostly Hindu, claim a separate state is necessary because of years of oppression by the majority Sinhalese, who are predominantly Buddhist and control the Colombo government.

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#90246u0426 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (SEPT. 3) UPI - Laborfest '90, a gathering of young blacks that erupted in violence a year ago and made this resort city a target of racial recriminations, moved peacefully toward its finale Monday.

At a morning news conference, law enforcement officials credited the presence of chaplains and community volunteers with defusing racial tensions and said the number of criminal incidents was less than on normal summer weekends.

But the president of the Virginia chapter of the NAACP said the ''jury's still out'' on the sucess of the weekend that city officials have painstakingly planned for a year.

Jack Gravely, who was highly critical of police in 1989 when rioting and looting broke out along the oceanfront, said police outnumbered the revelers along the resort strip Friday night.

''It was too suffocating. It was just too much,'' said Gravely.

But Jonathan Chace, regional director for the Department of Justice's Community Relations Service in Philadelphia, said a nine- member team was ''delighted'' with the weekend's events.

''You saw the presence of the police but you also saw the response of so many other agencies to help lend their support and assistance in resolving that matter,'' he said. ''You saw the National Black Police Association, you saw the clergy, you saw the volunteers, you saw so many others who could provide a first response so that the burden of response did not fall on the local police department.''

About 28,000 uouths in Virginia Beach for a Labor Day weekend festival directed toward college-age blacks frolicked overnight along the resort strip, blaring boom boxes and carrying on squirt gun fights.

Young people headed to the streets instead of a rap concert at a nearby park but, unlike last year when police pressed in on a massive crowd, people were allowed to freely roam along Atlantic Avenue, which was closed

to traffic.

Along the main beachfront thoroughfare, smaller gatherings broke off from the main crowd at various hotel fronts through the night. Usually young people gathered around a blaring car stereoes, chanting and often singing in unison. The area was filled with chaplains and community volunteers who gently stepped in when signs of trouble arose. State and local police were always nearby but generally did not intervene.

The event was a contrast to last year when Virginia Beach residents awoke to find their city turned into a battle zone: Rioting had gutted the resort strip during an annual beach party for black college students from along the East Coast.

Black leaders in 1989 charged that police in riot gear overreacted to regain control of the streets. Bitter merchants of looted stores threatened to shut down. City leaders were ducking questions.

But this year, Virginia Beach was a different city: State and local police were looking over a calm oceanfront of young people having fun. Businesses held open their doors. Local leaders were smiling as they presided over news conferences.

City Manager Aubrey Watts Jr., a low-key bureaucrat who has overseen the mobilization of thousands of local officials to welcome young blacks this weekend, said Laborfest '90 had turned a corner for Virginia Beach.

''I think you can tell probably by the demeanor of this normally pretty non-smiling individual that I am obviously very pleased with what is occurring here in our city,'' Watts said Sunday.

''I certainly find this a more enjoyable situation than what I woke up to a year ago,'' said Watts, adding he still has not been getting much sleep.

One year ago, Watts awakened to nationally televised images of thousands of young blacks clashing with riot police, after more than 100 storefronts had been smashed and merchandise looted at a cost of $1.4 million.

But Sunday, the resort strip was bustling with mostly black visitors eager to hit the beach, check out the opposite sex and buy souvenirs. Most complaints were confined to logistical matters, such as parking and closed-off traffic routes.

Police early Monday reported no major incidents and no felony arrests. Since Friday evening, police had reported 86 arrests, a large share of them for public intoxication.

Authorities said the number of arrests was roughly similar to any weekend

during the summer.

The city spent the entire year analyzing what went wrong last year and worked with historically black universities to put on Laborfest '90, an event aimed at welcoming young blacks and erasing last year's negative images of the resort.

Last year's violence erupted during the annual gathering of black college that was then known as ''Greekfest.'' Up to 100,000 crowded into the city and local authorities only gained control after hundreds of riot police formed a massive wedge and marched down Atlantic Avenue.

The Virginia National Guard was later called in and black leaders charged the the high-profile presence of authorities heightened racial tension.

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BONN, West Germany (SEPT. 3) UPI - Jordan's King Hussein met with West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl Monday for talks on the Gulf crisis, continuing his efforts to find a peaceful solution and win support from European governments for his beleagured kingdom.

It is widely believed the king is seeking additional emergency aid for Jordan's economy, which has been crippled by tens of thousands of refugees who have poured into Jordan since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

In addition to medical supplies, tents and food, the West German government has already sent a chartered plane to Jordan to fly out refugees.

West German President Richard von Weizsaecker welcomed Hussein with military honors at the presdidential residence.

Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher met with his Jordanian counterpart Marwan AL-Qasem and Prime Minister Mudar Badran to discuss the situation in the Gulf.

After his meeting with Kohl, Hussein was to continue on to Paris. He is visiting five European countries for talks on the Gulf.

Meanwhile, Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens, also in Bonn, met earlier with West German Defense Minister Gerhard Stoltenberg and with Kohl Monday.

''The talks focused on the Gulf crisis,'' a government spokesman said.

In other developments, the spokesman said that 98 German women and children were taken from Kuwait to Baghdad Monday, leaving behind another

150 Germans, many of them embassy personnel.

''We hope they will get exit visas in Baghdad right away,'' Foreign Ministry spokesman Juergen Chrobog said.

Including the new arrivals, about 500 Germans are now believed held in Iraq.

Chrobog said the West German embassy in Kuwait was continuing to function despite the cut off of water and electricity, but with the help of a small emergency power generator.

In East Berlin, government spokesman Matthias Gehler said the East German ambassador in Kuwait, Kurt Merkel, and his wife had been taken to Baghdad Sunday, because the living conditions in the embassy had become unbearable.

The Merkels had stayed in the mission without water and electricity for more than a week.

Gehler said that the Iraqi authorities had allowed Merkel and his wife to stay in the West German embassy in Kuwait, but upon entering the building, the two were arrested.

After returning to their own embassy for a short while, Merkel and his wife were then escorted by Iraqi troops to Baghdad.

Gehler said there are still about 30 East Germans in Iraq.

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#90246u0490 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 3) UPI - One of the former American hostages who arrived in Washington yesterday had some harsh words for both Iraqi and U-S officials. 76- year-old Lloyd Culbertson, a Canadian who lives in El Paso, Texas, said Iraqi officials have left hostages without water, food and electricity. He also criticized American officials for NOT doing more to free those held in Iraq. Said Culbertson- ''Our State Department hasN'T lifted a hand for us.''

The countdown clocks are moving toward Thursday morning's re- scheduled launch of the shuttle Columbia. Countdown resumed early this morning. NASA engineers at Cape Canaveral worked around the clock this weekend to repair an electrical problem on one of four telescopes the shuttle will carry into space. NASA is eager to get the spaceplane off the ground following a launchless summer.

The Justice Department says about one in four American households had at least one family member who was a victim of crime in 1989. The

department's statistics director says black households and households with higher incomes were more vulnerable to crime. Homes in the Northeast were the least vulnerable to crime with a 19 percent crime rate, while homes in the West were the most vulnerable at 30 percent.

Authorities in Gainesville, Florida, say the task force set up to investigate the slayings of five young people is comparing similarities with murder cases in nine other states. Police say the list of suspects has been narrowed to eight. University of President John Lombardi announced yesterday classes will resume tomorrow. They were postponed for about a week following the murders.

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#90246u0500 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 3) UPI - Hundreds of thousands of people gathered to hear Pope John Paul celebrate open-air mass in the East African nation of Tanzania yesterday. The pontiff urged Christians and Moslems to work together to put aside religious differences in the interest of their nation. The pope said mass in Swahili, the official language of Tanzania. It was the pope's second stop on an 11-day African tour.

Official Cambodian radio reports Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen will NOT attend peace talks in Jakarta, Indonesia, unless resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk also participates. Sihanouk says he's sending his son because he believes the Jakarta meeting will be only the first in a series of on-going negotiations.

Nobel prize-winning author Alexander Solzhenitsyn was exiled from the Soviet Union in 1974 for his writings. But now the Soviet media, which led staunch campaigns against Solzhenitsyn, is calling for the writer's return. The Communist Party newspaper Pravda pleaded with the author to ''come back'' and said- quote- ''What is obvious is that... he is a gigantic talent.''

Former Philippine first lady Imelda Marcos is back in Hawaii after a seven-month absence during which she was tried and acquitted on racketeering charges in New York. Marcos arrived in Honolulu dressed in black and appearing happy and relaxed. After leaving the airport, she went to visit the temporary resting place of her husband, the late Ferdinand Marcos. He has NOT been buried because Mrs. Marcos hopes to take his body back to the Philippines.

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DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (SEPT. 3) UPI - American forces deployed in the shifting sands and 123-degree heat of Saudi Arabia are inventing a new

desert-oriented array of weapons to fight one of the military's most oppressive enemies: boredom.

Some Marines, for example, are spending their off-hours snaring scorpions and pitting them against each other in desert fights, with bets being placed all around.

Troopers of the 101st Airborne Division are building their own amenities.

They have fashioned a mock television out of cardboard, a pay phone, an electronic teller machine and - the piece de resistance - an air conditioner, before which they stand and pretend to bask in a rush of cool soothing air.

''Have you ever heard the saying, 'improvise, overcome, and adapt'?'' asked Marine Corp. ''Gonzo'' Haynes, 23, from Texas.

''We are doing it,'' the corporal said and then, reflecting on their situation in the sizzling heat, offered that ''it sucks.''

There is no lengthy time off in the front-line positions. Nights are mostly filled with training. During the day, troops huddle beneath sun-shielding camouflage nets.

Military organizations have an abundance of brain-addling tasks to fill a trooper's time - soldiers politely call them bovine excreta - ranging from endless cleaning of rifles to seemingly continous orders in the desert environment to dig out of aircraft engines and tank parts the powdery sand that blows and settles in every possible nook and cranny.

Servicemen say they must tend to equipment far more frequently here than at home bases because the heat and sand both take a toll. Troops are reported to be using toothbrushes to clean machine-gun parts. The army is said to beflushing the engines of its helicopters daily, and ships and other equipment must use desert-grade oil and clean filters often. The heat is melting sensitive radio wires.

But servicemen do their best to add fun to their off hours, a difficult task in an Islamic nation that offers no access to ''babes and booze.''

They play cards - the favorite games are ''spades'' and ''bastard rummy'' - and games of checkers are played with the tops of mineral water bottles.

Books read around the camps are mostly escapist adventures, with the spooky thrillers of Steven King hot numbers among one group of marines that was recently resting in a moonscape of rocks, sand and more sand.

''It's stupid, but it keeps you from thinking,'' Lance Corp. Michael Dunn,

19, from Amarillo, Texas, said as he scanned a novel with an amorous woman on its cover. ''That's all its good for.''

Most servicemen are hungry for any information from home. Newspapers, even though a few days old, are read slowly, with troopers dwelling on every article before the papers are gently passed on to other young comrades.

Many troopers actually go jogging in the desert heat, an exercise made more difficult by orders to run only if a weighty gas mask is strapped to the belt.

At one staging area, soldiers set up an impromptu gym with weights made from concrete-filled paint cans linked by a steel bar.

Super-short hair is also favored here. One member of the 82nd airborne Division was reported to have buzzed the hair off 1,000 men in hopes that baldness would be better in the severe heat.

Soldiers speak longingly of cookies and other treats from home. But they will not get them if a rule on this mission forbidding any package over 12 ounces is enforced.

The scorpion fights must take place covertly because the military brass frowns on it.

A bite by such toxic creatures invariably means shipment to the rear, and officers order that anyone with scorpion wounds that are not on the leg will face a court martial.

''The scorpions out here are really nasty, and we have been told not to play with them,'' said a Marine named Ty Chapman. ''It we get bitten anywhere but the leg, it means we have been screwing around with them.''

The service men and women are constantly dreaming of ways to get cool.

''I sleep out on the flightline and wear my earplugs,'' said Sgt. Jimmy Velasquez, 24, from Brooklyn, New York. ''When the helicopters come, there is a nice breeze. I get a nice sleep, until the C-5s (massive transports) come in.''

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#90246u0513 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 3) UPI - Voters in Florida will decide Tuesday whether Sen. Lawton Chiles or Rep. Bill Nelson, two Democratic veterans of Florida politics, will win an opportunity to unseat Republican Gov. Bob Martinez in November.

The Florida Newspaper Poll indicated Sunday that Chiles was leading Nelson

55 percent to 30 percent, with 15 percent still undecided.

But the poll suggests the general election campaign will begin in a virtual dead heat, no matter which Democrat wins the nomination Tuesday. The governor has been running a $2 million ad campaign touting his achievements, while Nelson and Chiles have been concentrating on each other.

Martinez won the GOP primary with 62 percent of the vote against four challengers, all of whom registered single-digit support. Twenty- three percent of the Republicans polled were undecided.

Looking ahead to November, Chiles outpolled Martinez 45 percent to 40 percent, with 15 percent undecided - a loss of 7 percentage points for Chiles and a gain of 5 points for Martinez since a similar poll in April.

In a Nelson-Martinez match-up, Nelson leads 42 percent to 40 percent, with 18 percent undecided. Martinez has lost 2 points and Nelson has gained 1 point since April.

The survey of 750 registered voters, conducted by telephone Aug. 26-28 on behalf of The Fort Lauderdale News and Sun-Sentinel, The Florida Times-Union and The Orlando Sentinel, was considered accurate to within 4 percentage points.

Nelson dismissed the poll, saying he expected the undecided voters to swing his way once their attention turned to the election.

''People haven't been thinking about this. They've been thinking about Gainesville, about the Persian Gulf, about Labor Day. The undecided vote's going to break,'' Nelson said.

Martinez, campaigning Monday in Fort Lauderdale, also disputed the polls' results, saying Chiles ''believes he can get elected on nostalgia and it just doesn't work.''

In Nevada, acting Gov. Bob Miller, a favorite of the gambling industry, faces token opposition for the Democratic nomination in Nevada's primary election Tuesday while eight political unknowns are scrambling for the GOP nomination.

Voters will also select party nominees for two congressional seats, four other statewide jobs, the Legislature and local offices.

Miller, 45, was elected four years ago as lieutenant governor and became acting governor when Dick Bryan was elected to the Senate in 1988. In this campaign, he has raised more than $585,000 in contributions of $500 or more from the Nevada casinos, the major industry in the state.

In contrast, the clubs have not given a contribution of $500 or more to any of the five other Democratic candidates or the eight Republicans.

Miller, the son of a Las Vegas casino executive, has stressed his support of education and his staff is now working on a proposed payroll tax to provide an extra $100 million a year for bigger support of the schools and other state programs.

The Republican field has narrowed to a battle between self-made millionaire James Gallaway and contractor Charlie Brown.

In races for two House seats, 69-year-old Republican Rep. Barbara Vucanovich is expected to easily defeat two opponents and face former Las Vegas Assemblywoman Jane Wisdom, who is unopposed for the Democratic nomination.

Democratic Rep. James Bilbray seeking a third term in the 1st Congressional District, faces Josh Elliott, a tax accountant.

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#90246u0530 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 3) UPI - The promised exodus of foreign women and children trapped in Iraq and occupied Kuwait ran into further delays Monday, while diplomats reported the worsening plight of 60,000 refugees stranded in the desert between Iraq and Jordan.

More than 40 Americans accompanied by former Democratic presidential contender Jesse Jackson were among hundreds of foreigners flown out of Baghdad for home Saturday and Sunday.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein promised a week ago that he would allow all foreign women and children to leave Iraqi custody, but even after the weekend release, thousands remained behind, some in hiding.

No flights were reported to have left Baghdad Monday, although a group of 19 Italian women and children arrived in Amman after an overnight bus journey through the desert from the Iraqi capital,.

Iraq said late Sunday that foreign airliners would no longer be allowed to land in Baghdad unless Iraqi planes were given rights to land at foreign airports.The official Iraqi News Agency denied Monday that foreign aircraft had been banned from landing at Baghdad airport, but there was confusion over whether any more captives would be allowed to leave.

Britain said it was looking at the possibility of getting its nationals out by bus to Jordan if flights were not possible. There are some 500

British women and children still stranded in Baghdad hotels waiting to leave.

More than 10,000 foreign women and children, including an estimated 1,000 Americans, were trapped in Iraq and Kuwait after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and annexation of Kuwait. Iraq said the foreign ''guests'' were taken to strategic sites to deter attacks by U.S.-led multinational forces massing in the region.

Asian diplomats in Amman, meanwhile, described the conditions of the estimated 60,000 refugees gathered in the neutral zone as ''extremely bad.''

Jordan has been restricting the flow of refugees from Iraq to about 20,000 a day, and those caught in the backlog have to wait in desert areas with no sanitation and sometimes no food and water.

Iran offered to receive 100,000 mostly Asian refugees across its border with Iraq, but said people of any nationality, including Americans and Britons, would also be welcomed.

In Yemen, British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd continued his tour of the region and received assurances from the Yemeni government that it would adhere to U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq, the British Broadcasting Corp. reported.

Yemen, which abstained from a U.N. Security Council vote condemning Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, is opposed to both the presence of Iraqi troops in Kuwait and the U.S.-led forces in the Persian Gulf.

Despite the U.N. embargo, life in the Iraqi capital was quiet and there were no major shortages apparent, according to one Western journalist who flew out Sunday.

''The reality is actually rather boringly strange,'' BBC correspondent John Simpson said. ''It is a quiet place at the moment. There are no great shortages that one can see.''

He said he saw ''a lot of Japanese, Korean and other Far Eastern goods being unloaded'' in Baghdad's markets, including fruit, vegetables and cloth, ''which seemed to indicate that the embargo was still being broken.''

In a hardening of its position on foreign embassies in occupied Kuwait defying Iraq's order to close, Iraqi authorities arrested East German Ambassador Kurt Merkel and his wife in Kuwait City on Sunday and transferred the couple to Baghdad.

The United States, the European Community, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Canada and Australia continued to defy the order, even though they have suffered electricity and water cutoffs.

A disappointed U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said after two days of talks in Amman with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz that he had made no real progress in resolving the dispute.

The U.N. chief executive said Sunday he could find no flexibility on the Iraqi side other than Saddam's decision to allow a trickle of foreign women and children hostages to leave.

In other developments Monday:

-Jordan's King Hussein met with West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl for talks on the gulf crisis. It is widely believed Hussein is seeking additional emergency aid for his country's economy, crippled by the thousands of refugees who have poured into Jordan since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Both Japan and West Germany, which import most of their oil from the Middle East, have been criticized in Arab newspapers for their lack of financial and other support of nations affected by the U.N.-backed sanctions battle against Iraq.

-European Community foreign ministers will hold an emergency meeting on the gulf crisis in Rome on Friday. The session will focus on an EC aid package to countries suffering economic harm from the U.N. sanctions on Iraq, particularly Jordan, Egypt and Turkey. The 12-nation EC's executive commission is due to propose such an aid package at its meeting on Wednesday.

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#90246u0574 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 3) UPI - As most Americans take the day off to enjoy Labor Day, a magazine survey reports an overwhelming majority of Americans are happy with what they do for a living. The study cites a National Opinion Research Center poll. It says married people tend to be more satisfied with their jobs than those who have never been married.

Civil rights leader Jesse Jackson accompanied about 40 Americans back to the United States from Iraq yesterday after Iraqi officials agreed to let them go. Hundreds of other female and children captives also were allowed to leave Iraq to return to Britain, Japan and Spain. Also, the East German news agency reports East Germany's ambassador to Kuwait and his wife were arrested in Kuwait City and taken to East Germany's mission in Baghdad.

New York police say a 22-year-old man was fatally stabbed last night when he and his family were robbed and attacked by a group of teen-agers on a

subway platform. Police say Brian Watkins was stabbed in the chest as he and his brother lunged to protect their mother who had been punched in the face. The family was visiting New York from Provo, Utah.

Authorities in La Verne, California, say a fire forced the evacuation of more than 400 people. The fire broke out last evening in a factory filled with chemicals and spewed a chemical cloud above the residential part of town. Police say two firefighters and two police officers were hospitalized suffering from headaches and dizziness. Officials could NOT say what the chemical was.

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#90246u0578 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

MWANZA, Tanzania (SEPT. 3) UPI - Pope John Paul II carried a message of friendship to Moslems Monday during a whistle-stop to southern Tanzania on the third day of his African tour.

Aware of the multi-racial, multi-religious character nature of the east African country, the pope called on Islam and Christianity to develop mutual respect and for the believers of the two religions to work together.

''To the followers of the Islamic faith, I extend the hand of friendship and love,'' he told the congregation at a mass in the southern town of Songea, about 380 miles southwest of the capital, Dar Es Salaam.

''As believers in one, merciful God it is essential that we develop a relationship of justice, brotherhood and mutual respect,'' John Paul said.

Virtually the entire population of Songea - about 25,000 people - turned out to cheer the pope on his arrival. Huge applause, ululating cries and hot tropical sunshine greeted the 70-year-old pontiff as he climbed out of a Fokker 28 airplane borrowed from Tanzanian President Ali Hassan Mwinyi.

The pope has twice expressed hopes for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf military crisis, which has threatened to stir Islamic- Christian antipathies. Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, who annexed Kuwait after invading the gulf sheikdom Aug. 2, called on Moslems to wage ''holy war'' on the United States for stationing troops in Saudi Arabia, seat of two of Islam's most sacred places.

The pope also spoke of his distress that many African countries had not acheived the economic development they hoped for in the wake of independence of much of Africa in the 1960s.

''The failure of development is evident in continuing hunger and malnutrition, in the plight of refugees, in exposure to disease and the lack of even basic health care,'' he said.

Tanzania, which has experimented with socialism for almost 30 years, is one of Africa's poorest nations, with an average per-capita income of only $180 a year, according to the World Bank.

Tanzania has more Moslems than Catholics - 25 percent are Moslem and 21 percent Catholic - and there have been religious tensions since Mwinyi, a Moslem, took over from Julius Nyerere, a devout Catholic, as president in 1985.

Islam traditionally has viewed Christianity as a sister religion, accepting the same God but differing in its interpretation of the roles of the Prophet Mohammed and Jesus.

Mwinyi Saturday assured the pope that secularity was the basis of the Tanzanian state.

Later the pope flew to Mwanza on Lake Victoria, where he comforted patients at a medical center.

The pope spent the weekend in Dar Es Salaam, where a million people turned out for his first mass in Tanzania. This is the pope's seventh visit to Africa but his first to Tanzania.

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#90246u0602 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (SEPT. 3) UPI - President Corazon Aquino Monday ruled out the declaration of martial law in battling mutinous soldiers attempting to oust her and rejected a call in the Senate for her resignation.

Another bomb exploded in the capital later in the evening, police said. The blast tore the roof of the one-story staff house of the suburban Greenhills shopping center and injured four people inside. Glass panes at an adjacent pastry shop were shattered.

Efren Rivera, 27, who suffered bruises, said the explosive device apparently was tossed on the roof from a passing car.

It was the 18th blast in Metropolitan Manila since July 13 and came hours after the military announced the arrest of two civilians carrying 113 sticks of dynamite at a military checkpoint in suburban Pasig town.

The two, however, denied involvement in the bombings, blamed on rebel soldiers. They said they had stolen the explosives.

Meanwhile, the military announced Monday it was easing the red alert

status - the maximum state of preparedness - which was ordered Aug. 21 for the 159,000-member armed forces.

Aquino told a news conference she was convening soon a meeting of concerned citizens to discuss political and economic repercussions of the devastating July 16 earthquake and the Gulf crisis.

''I think that for the present, it is not necessary for me to declare martial law,'' Aquino said. ''What is needed here is the support and unity of all of our people, especially the government officials.''

Aquino dismissed a call made last week by Sen. John Osmena, a member of the ruling coalition, for her resignation along with that of her Cabinet, which he likened to an ''orchestra out of tune.''

Osmena proposed the creation of a three-member committee headed by Senate President Jovito Salonga, National Security Adviser Rafael Ileto and businessman Washington Sycip to rule the country for Aquino until a new constitution is crafted.

''I would like to remind Senator Osmena that executive power is vested not in many people but only in the president,'' Aquino said. She also noted that Sycip is an American citizen.

Rebel soldiers had earlier called on Aquino to step aside, accusing her government of corruption and inefficiency. Aquino has crushed six coup attempts since she took power in a civilian-backed military revolt in 1986.

Aquino also said she agreed in principle to a proposed cease-fire with the 19,000-strong New People's Army, armed wing of the outlawed Communist Party of the Philippines.

But she said she favored regional cease-fires instead of a national truce because not all areas of the country are affected by the 21-year communist insurgency.

Peace talks with the communists collapsed in February 1987 over rebel demands for power-sharing.

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#90246u0649 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 3) UPI - Foreign ministers of the European Community will hold an emergency meeting Friday in Rome to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. E-C officials say the community's executive commission will propose a package of aid for nations hurting economically by the U-N sanctions against Iraq. The commission is considering short-term loans to hard-hit nations, particularly Jordan and Egypt.

Police in New York say they're questioning three suspects and have leads on two others in the fatal stabbing of a tourist trying to protect his mother. Police say Brian Watkins of Provo, Utah, was knifed in the chest when he tried to defend his mother after she was punched in the face. Watkins and four family members were attacked and robbed on a subway platform late last night.

Pope John Paul is repeating his call for Christians and Moslems to respect each other in southern Tanzania, where he flew today on day three of an 11-day tour. Officials in the east African nation say 25- thousand people greeted the pontiff... who celebrated mass for the huge crowd under sunny skies. The pope also spoke about the failure of many African nations to achieve the development they had hoped for in the wake of independence in the 1960's.

President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev will have a lot to talk about besides the Persian Gulf situation when they meet next weekend. The negotiations on reducing conventional forces in Europe have resulted in disagreements on artillery and airplanes. They also need to work on cutting strategic nuclear arsenals.

Hanoi radio says an U-S team visiting Vietnam has finished a 25-day mission looking for evidence of Americans missing since the Vietnam War. 11 searches were carried out in conjunction with Vietnamese experts. The broadcast says a U-S forensic team studied 70 sets of remains, but there was NO word how many were identified as Americans. 16-hundred-70 Americans still are listed as missing in Vietnam.

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#90246u0667 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

FARNBOROUGH, England (SEPT. 3) UPI - Asiana Airlines of Korea has ordered 27 Boeing aircraft, with an option to buy another 24, in a deal that would total $6 billion, Boeing announced Monday.

Asiana Chairman I.S. Hwang and Boeing Commerical Airplane Group President Dean Thornton signed the order agreement at the biennial Farnborough International Air Show.

The annoucement brings Boeing's 1990 firm orders to 283 with total value of about $27 billion, the Seattle-based firm said.

The deal includes firm orders for 27 aircraft and options for 24 more. The total value of the 51 aircraft is almost $6 billion, of which about $3 billion is firm, Boeing said.

The order breaks down as follows: 747-400 passenger-combination planes,

six firm and six options; 747-400 freighters, three firm and three options; 767-300s 10 firm and eight options; 737-400s, eight firm and seven options.

Asiana previously announced orders of about $1 billion for two 767- 300s to be delivered in October; two 747-400s with first delivery in late 1991; and five 737-400s with options for another five 737-400s.

Asiana now operates a fleet of 10 737-400s and two 737-500s, all under lease.

The Seoul-based airline began service on domestic routes in December 1988 and introduced international fights between Seoul and Japan in January 1990. The airline plans to expand to other Asian destination this winter and the United States in next fall.

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#90246u0677 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (SEPT. 3) UPI - University of Florida students began returning Monday for the resumption of classes as investigators said they were searchng for new leads in the slayings of five college students.

The killings prompted an exodus of nervous students from the campus last week, and others left because of the Labor Day holiday. University officials said classes would resume Tuesday in atmosphere as close to normal as possible.

University of Florida President John Lombardi urged students to return. He said security patrols would be increased, and on-campus housing would be arranged for those who were too scared to stay off- campus alone.

''To tell you that there is no crime, to tell you that there are no fatalities that will occur ... is simply not to be realistic,'' Lombardi said. ''Would I send my child back to the University of Florida? The answer is, yes, I would.''

Lombardi said only about 100 of the university's 34,000 students had notified campus officials that they would not return.

A spokesman for the Gainesville Police Department said there was no new information to report about the search for the killer or killers.

''The media has requested daily briefings from us, so we're complying, even if there is nothing new to report, which is the situation today,'' said Barry Luke, director of communications for the police department.

Luke clarified a report from Sunday's briefing in which police said they

have eight suspects, four of whom were described as ''primary.'' Warren Virgil Tinch, a car salesman being sought by the FBI for the mutilation-murder of his former girlfriend in Ohio, was dropped from the Gainesville list.

''It's unfair to say that he is no longer a suspect,'' said Luke. ''He has been dropped from the top eight, however, and there was some confusion on the part of the news media about that.''

The only suspect on the list of eight to be identified by police was Edward L. Humphrey, an 18-year-old UF freshman being held on $1 million bond on charges of beating up his grandmother.

Investigators have staked out Humphrey's room in the Hawaiian Village apartments in Gainesville, but have not secured a warrant to search it. However, officers have searched garbage dumpsters and a stream at the complex.

Luke said Monday that police would neither confirm nor deny that search warrants were being sought for Humphrey's apartment or several other locations.

There was no mention of the Gainesville slayings during Humprhrey's arraignment Friday on the assault charges.

A bond hearing was scheduled Tuesday in Melbourne for Humphrey, and his attorney planned to asked that his bond be reduced. That move seemed calculated to force police to reveal what evidence they had against Humphrey.

After a week of investigating, police said they were not close to making an arrest and were warning residents not to let their guard down.

The bodies of the five college students were discovered within a 48-hour period early last week.

The victims were Christina Powell, 17, of Jacksonville; Christina Hoyt, 18 of Gainesville; Tracey Paules, 23, of Palm Springs North; Manuel Taboada, 23, of Carol City; and Sonya Larson, 18.

Hoyt was a student at Santa Fe Community College, while the other victims attended the University of Florida.

The search for clues went nationwide last weekend as the task force investigating the slayings deployed 18 officers to nine other states. Detectives were sent to California, Oregon, New York, Montana, Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and Nevada to compare similarities with cases in those states and the Florida slayings, said Luke.

Another 15 detectives, technicians and crime analysts were added to the state, federal and local task force investigating the murders that occurred within a 2-mile radius of the University of Florida campus.

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#90246u0692 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, Belgium (SEPT. 3) UPI - Britain's alternative proposal on European currency union receives a crucial hearing Tuesday before the European Community's monetary committee.

The committee, which includes treasury and central bank officials from EC countries, will present a report to this weekend's meeting of Community finance ministers in Rome.

Britain, which opposes plans to quickly forge a single EC currency, has instead proposed a 13th currency - a ''hard ECU'' backed by a new European Monetary Fund.

The hard ECU (European Currency Unit) proposed by John Major, Britain's chancellor of the exchequer, would compete alongside the 12 national currencies in the Community.

The British plan was unveiled in June, just days before EC leaders approved a special conference in Rome, beginning Dec. 13, to blaze the trail toward full economic and monetary union.

EC officials have given the British plan a cool reception, saying it would complicate economic coordination, but EC finance ministers in July agreed to have a look at the plan in September.

The EC executive Commission, in its Aug. 21 final report on economic and monetary union, said a single currency is an ''essential element'' because it would eliminate costly and time-consuming exchange operations.

''The monetary committee will look at the British proposal, and then report in Rome this weekend on which parts might work, and which won't work at all,'' said an Italian official in Brussels. Italy holds the rotating EC presidency through December.

Britain says it expects a full and fair hearing, though some Brussels officials predict the monetary committee session will only provide legitimacy to the finance ministers' previous resolve to reject Major's plan.

Britain's appeal to the monetary committee is coupled this week with a trip by Major to Portugal and Spain, on Tuesday and Wednesday, to drum up

support for the ''hard ECU.''

Britain feels a quick transition to a common currency could cause economic strains between the Community's richer and poorer countries, and may damage some of the EC's more fragile economies.

Some of the Community's poorer cousins, including Portugal, Spain and Greece, were alarmed earlier this year when the West German Bundesbank president, Karl Otto Pohl, proposed a two-stage economic and monetary union.

That plan would include only Germany, France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg in the first stage. Other countries saw the plan as a threat that could leave them behind on the slow track, and Major hopes to capitalize on those fears in his trip to the Iberian countries.

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#90246u0700 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (SEPT. 3) UPI - A blaze swept through a U.S. military vehicle in eastern Saudi Arabia Monday, igniting ammunition and firing anti-tank rockets into the air but causing no casualites, officials said.

U.S. military officials said the cause of the fire was accidental at a marshaling area for the 82nd Airborne Division, one of the first army units to be stationed in the kingdom on a U.S. mission to counter Iraqi occupation forces in Kuwait.

The officials said a driver and supervisor battled to extinguish the blaze which erupted around noon, but the flames ignited ammunition and destroyed the Highly Mobile Multi-purpose vehicle, or Humvee, the successor to the jeep.

Soldiers at the facility said the Humvee was mounted with Tube- launched Optically-sighted Wire-guided, or TOW anti-tank missiles, and that some of the projectiles as well as bullets were fired off by the blaze.

''It was a miracle nobody was hurt,'' said one soldier. Other nearby vehicles were moved out, but witnesses said some sustained peripheral damage.

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#90246u0753 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (SEPT. 3) UPI - President Francois Mitterrand opened a conference on the plight of the world's 42 poorest countries Monday by pledging and to give 0.2 percent of the French gross domestic product to help the nations

and suggesting that other industrialized nations follow suit.

The pledge is dramatically above the aid level most countries give to the third world. France and seven other countries - Canada, Italy, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland and the Netherlands - give 0.15 percent of their gross domestic products to poor nations. The United States, in contrast, gives 0.04 percent and Japan, 0.07 percent.

U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar also appealed to the conferees for extra aid for the poorest nations.

Over the past decade, official yearly aid to the least developed countries represented only 0.09 percent of advanced nations' gross domestic products.

Mitterrand, a Socialist, said he would propose to Parliament that the government also forgive debts that all third-world countries owe to France.

During his address to the opening session of the ministerial-level conference, Mitterrand called on the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank to estimate the consequences of rising petroleum prices and to draw up, if necessary, a plan to compensate poor countries for oil- import costs.

Economic analysts fear surging petroleum prices could be the straw that breaks the camel's back for such poor countries as Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Haiti, Mozambique, Somalia and Sudan.

Some developed nations - the United States among them - opposed fixing any target figure for financial aid during preparatory talks for the Paris meeting.

However, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the delegates of the least developed countries proposed this year that advanced countries adopt an the 0.2 percent aid level, compared with a 0.15 percent level set as a target at the last conference on the problems of poorest countries in 1981.

Besides calling on industrialized nations to follow France's example in raising aid to the 0.2 percent level, Mitterrand said the conference should reaffirm the 1981 aid target of 0.15 percent of GNP. Advanced countries that have not already reached the target should attain it within five years, Mitterrand said.

A draft ''program of action'' adopted at Geneva preparatory talks in April failed to reach agreement on the main issues of future financial aid and debt relief.

But the draft did include a commitment in principle by the least developed

countries to try to reduce high birthrates.

Population growth in the least developed countries averaged 2.9 percent a year in the 1980s against economic growth of 2.2 percent and negative agricultural growth of minus 0.8 percent, according to UNCTAD.

Delegates from Iraq and Kuwait both were present at the conference, organizers said. In all, delegates from 105 nations were attending the meeting, which opened Sunday and is to run through Sept. 14.

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#90246u0793 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (SEPT. 3) UPI - Australian corporate raider Robert Holmes a Court died over the weekend, and his death sparked an immediate battle for control of the 13 major London theaters he owned.

Holmes a Court, 53, dubbed ''the world's biggest loser in the share market crash'' of 1987, died of a heart attack on Sunday at his home outside Perth, Australia.

He owned a quarter of London's major theaters, including Drury Lane, which is currently showing ''Miss Saigon,'' Her Majesty's, now playing ''Phantom of the Opera'' and the London Coliseum, which is leased to the English National Opera.

Louis Benjamin, former president of Stoll Moss Theaters, said that within hours of the news of Holmes a Court's death reaching London, two consortia contacted him with plans to buy the group from his widow, Janet.

''It was amazing,'' Benjamin told The Daily Telegraph. ''By 11 a.m. I had had two phone calls asking me if I was interested in joining in. I suppose the theater has got such glamour attached to it that people always want a stake in it.''

An entertainment analyst said several consortia were being established to attempt to gain control of Stoll Moss Theaters, but there was no indication yet that his widow would sell.

Derek Williams, chief executive of Heytesbury, Holmes a Court's private company, said it was too early to comment on the future of the theaters.

Reportedly the wealthiest man in his adopted country in the booming 1980s, Holmes a Court was forced to sell Stoll Moss Theaters, the parent company for the 13 theaters, after the 1987 stock market crash.

The following year, Holmes a Court recaptured Stoll Moss, London's largest theater landlord, buying it back from fellow Australian businessman Alan

Bond, who had encountered financial problems.

Benjamin said one of the bidders was British and the other American. Both are reputable, Benjamin said, refusing to further indentify them.

Before the 1987 crash, the South African-born Holmes a Court owned a 30 percent share of BHP, Australia's biggest company, and 10 percent of Texaco. His personal fortune was estimated at just over $1 billion.

The crash made him Australia's first ex-billionaire. His holdings were recently estimated at just under $558 million.

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#90246u0840 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 3) UPI - Americans celebrated the nation's 100th Labor Day Monday with parades, picnics and fireworks while a major labor union used the occasion to proclaim its support for U.S. forces in the Middle East with advertisemnts in major newspapers across the country.

The Teamsters union placed full-page ads in such papers as The New York Times, the Los Angeles Times and the Washington Post with bold, black letters saying, ''It's no holiday for U.S. troops and hostages'' and pledging support to Americans on both sides of the crisis.

The union said its members from coast to coast were wearing ribbons - blue for the military and yellow for the hostages - as lapel pins and armbands.

In Chicago, the 1,500 participants in the Wellington-Oakdale Old Glory Marching Society used their annual Labor Day parade Monday to send messages of support to U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf.

Parade organizers sold small American flags to marchers and spectators before the event began. The flags were collected afterward and will be sent to the troops participating in Operation Desert Shield in the Persian Gulf.

''This event has always been a unique opportunity for people, especially children, to show their patriotism,'' said parade leader Tony Weisman. ''Today's parade is a unique opportunity for people to send their best wishes to the soldiers in the Middle East.''

It was a day of relief in Virginia Beach, Va., where a year ago masses of police and National Guardsmen were called out to quell a riot by about 100,000 students celebrating ''Greekfest,'' a final bash before classes resume.

Police reported no major problems this year as fewer than 30,000 students

showed up for the holiday, renamed ''Laborfest'' by the city.

Monday was the 100th nationwide honoring of the working man but New York declared it a state holiday in 1882.

Thousands of union members Monday walked up New York's Fifth Avenue in bright sunshine, led by Mayor David Dinkins and Gov. Mario Cuomo, who said union members were not staying ahead of inflation.

''Their wages have not grown. After inflation they are actually down,'' he said. ''The only reason they get ahead is that they have taken another job their spouses have gone to work or their offspring have left home.''

But he predicted the union movement ''will come roaring back.''

In Boston, state officials and labor leaders opened a new exhibit about Bay State workers and unions dating back to the 1912 Bread and Roses Strike in Lawrence, Mass.

'''Collective Voices' offers the first real look at the history of working people's contributions to our state,'' said Arthur Osborn, president of the Massachusetts AFL-CIO. ''It is a fitting tribute to open on Labor Day.''

In Los Angeles, descendants of the 11 families that first settled the city more than 200 years ago honored a Labor Day custom by making their annual 9-mile trek from a historic Spanish mission to the park marking the site of the original Mexican pueblo. The journey of the ''Pobladores'' symbolically re-enacts the founding of the nation's second-largest city.

U.S. Rep Dante Fascell's 40th annual Labor Day picnic proceeded on schedule in Miami but the Florida Democrat was not there. He was with many other members of Congress on a fact-finding tour of the Middle East, missing the bash for the first time in 40 years. Celebrants ran sack races scarfed down 3,000 boxed chicken dinners and signed letters of support for U.S. forces in the crisis area.

Toledo, Ohio, factory worker Pamela Richards, who gained national attention for refusing a $17,000 Honda as a prize offered by the Ohio Lottery Commission because it was built by non-union labor, was named grand marshal for the city's parade.

The American Enterprise magazine reported that an overwhelming majority of Americans - 86 percent - are satisfied with the work they do, a trend that has continued throughout most of the past decade.

But another report released for the Labor Day weekend found that the average American worker lost ground financially in the 1980s, forcing

people to work longer hours or send additional family members into the workforce. And single mothers ''saw their incomes collapse,'' the report said.

Spencer, N.C., is a small town in 1990 but at the turn of the century it was a hotbed of railroad unions and was home to Southern Railways' largest steam engine repair shop. About 7,000 visitors were expected at the Spencer Shops Transportation Museum to hear and see about the good old days.

''When they got the day off it was real holiday,'' said museum spokeswoman Kelly Wrinn. ''All the politicians came and everybody just celebrated.''

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(SEPT. 3) UPI - The search for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis has taken Jordan's King Hussein to Bonn, West Germany. Hussein met today with West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl. It's believed the Middle Eastern monarch is trying to secure additional European emergency aid for his beleaguered kingdom. Kuwait has been strapped by the flow of refugees from Iraq and sanctions against the neighboring country.

A presidential source in Lebanon says President Elias Hrawi is preparing for a military push to drive out rebellious Christian General Michel Aoun. The source told U-P-I the chances are high that Hrawi will seek a military end to Aoun's economically ruinous nine-month-old mutiny. The source says Syrian troops have assured the Lebanese president they'll back a military assault.

The European Community's monetary committee will hold a crucial hearing tomorrow on Great Britain's alternative proposal to unifying European currency. Britain opposes plans to quickly develop a single E-C currency for all members. British officials instead want to forge a 13th currency backed by a new European Monetary Fund to compete with the 12 national currencies of the E-C members.

Barry Lee Fairchild is sitting on Death Row at Cummins prison in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, where he was transferred in preparation for his scheduled Wednesday execution. Fairchild is scheduled to die by lethal injection at 9 Wednesday night for the 1983 rape and murder of a nurse at Little Rock Air Force Base. He would be the third inmate executed this year in Arkansas.

A report published today in a Boston newspaper says a member of the singing group New Kids on the Block was involved in a fight on an airliner... the latest altercation involving one of the teen sensations. The report says New Kid Donnie Wahlberg allegedly bullied a fellow airline

passenger who refused to give up a seat on a flight from Salt Lake City to Atlanta. Wahlberg was said to have poked Benjamin Dattner in the eye during the argument.

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(SEPT. 3) UPI -

Football

Atlanta - Traded nose tackle Shawn Lee to Miami for an undisclosed 1991 draft pick; signed center Guy Bingham and placed him on the exempt list; released wide receiver Stacey Bailey; nose tackle Tony Bowick; guards Stan Clayton and Ben Utt; quarterback Gilbert Renfroe; tight end Troy Sadowski; linebacker Donnie Salum; safety Elbert Shelley; and defensive end Ben Thomas.

Cleveland - Released offensive linemen Dave Smith and George Hawthorne; wide receiver Eugene Rowell; running backs Darryl Clack and Nuu Faaola; defensive lineman Darryl Sims; linebackers Clifford Charlton, Lawrence McGrew and Kerry Owens; safety Falanda Newton; quarterback Pat Ryan and kicker Matt Bahr; placed defensive lineman Andrew Stewart on injured reserve.

Dallas - Acquired fullback Alonzo Highsmith from Houston for two undisclosed draft picks; acquired offensive guard John Gesek from LA Raiders for undisclosed draft pick; placed kicker Ken Willis and running back Timmy Smith on procedural recall waivers.

Detroit - Released running backs Carl Painter, Eric Wilkerson and Greg Paterra; wide receivers Davis Smith and Mike Farr; defensive backs Bruce McNorton, John Miller and Herb Welch; offensive linemen Larry Jones, Eddie Grant and Mark Nua; kicker Wilson Hoyle; linebacker Keith Karpinski; and nose tackle Pat Marlatt.

Kansas City - Signed cornerback Kevin Ross and linebacker Louis Cooper to a series of one-year contracts; placed on procedural waivers wide receivers Willie Davis and J.J. Birden; defensive backs Sherrod Rainge and Peter Shorts; guard Gene Chilton; tackle Michael Harris; defensive tackle Peter Shorts; and linebacker Walker Lee Ashley.

LA Raiders - Signed quarterback Steve Beuerlein; placed defensive end Anthony Smith on injured reserve; released linebackers Ricky Hunley, Ron Burke and Darin Jordan; quarterbacks Vince Evans and Jeff Francis; cornerback Elvis Patterson; tackle Bruce Davis; wide receiver Stefon Adams; safety Derrick Crudup; tight end Trey Junkin and running back Kerry Porter.

LA Rams - Released quarterback Mark Herrmann; linebackers Mel Owens and Stephen Bates; wide receivers Tim Stallworth, Paco Craig and Monty Gilbreath; fullback Mel Farr; offensive linemen John Guerrero and Elbert Crawford; running back Fred Whittingham; safety Lupe Sanchez, and defensive tackles General Brown and Jerry Leggett.

Miami - Acquired nose tackle Shawn Lee from Atlanta for conditional late-round draft pick; released defensive end Jackie Cline; guards Stacy Searels and Tony Brown; tight end Greg Baty; defensive end Jeff Faulkner; cornerback African Grant; linebacker Chris Haering; fullback Garrett Limbrick; nose tackle Jeff Roth; and wide receiver Thomas Woods; placed cornerback Donnie Elder and tackle Dave Popp on injured reserve.

New England - Released tight end Lin Dawson; running backs Marvin Allen and Jamie Morris; linebackers Ed Williams, Tim Jordan and Ilia Jarostchuck; wide receiver Kitrick Taylor; center Bob White; guards David Douglas and Eric Still; defensive end Billy Keys; and safety Brian Hutson.

NY Giants - Released running back Joe Morris; quarterback Craig Kupp; tight end Thornton Chandler; tackle Ed Cunningham; wide receiver Troy Kyles; linebackers Mark Dennis and Randy Thornton; cornerback Sheldon White and Howard Feggins; defensive ends Greg Mark and Tim Downing; guard Roy Brown; placed safety Adrian White on injured reserve.

NY Jets - Traded fullback Roger Vick to Philadelphia for an undisclosed draft pick; released wide receiver Mike Martin; linebacker Basil Proctor; tackles Mike Withycombe and Curt Singer; and defensive tackle Tony Savage.

Philadelphia - Released wide receivers Cris Carter, Marvin Hargrove, Tyrone Watson; running backs James Gray, Adam Walker, Ervin Farris; offensive linemen Owen Hooven, Michael Husar; defensive linemen Carl Dawson, Horacio Moronta; linebacker Gary Kinne; tight end Maurice Johnson; quarterback Matt Cavanaugh.

San Diego - Released running back Tim Spencer, Thomas Sanders and Darrin Nelson; tight end Andy Parker; safeties Bruce Plummer and Michael Brooks; defensive ends Nate Hill and Gerald Robinson; offensive linemen Dennis McKnight, Larry Williams, Joe Staysniak and Jeff Novak, and wide receiver Terence Cleveland.

Tampa Bay - Released kicker Donald Igwebuike; running back Lars Tate and Derrick Douglas; wide receivers Chris Ford and Terry Anthony; punter Chris Mohr; defensive back Sean Lucas; defensive end Donnie Gardner; nose tackle Willie Wyatt and linebacker Maurice Oliver; placed center Dan Graham on injured reserve.

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (SEPT. 3) UPI - Black leader Nelson Mandela returned home unannounced from a week-long tour of African and other nations, including a stop in Libya, and renewed factional fighting erupted in townships outside the city.

A member of Mandela's household confirmed the ANC deputy president and de facto leader had arrived back Sunday at his Soweto home, but said he would not be issuing any immediate statement regarding his time abroad or local matters. ''Libya, the violence and everything else will be discussed at a press conference on Monday,'' he said.

An official of Mandela's African National Congress said the 72- year-old Mandela slipped back into the country to avoid crowds of journalists and go through customs without delay.

He arrived from Zambia with a message for President Frederik de Klerk from other African states to end all factional conflicts in South Africa.

Fighting had flared in townships around Johannesburg overnight, killing at least 17 people and shattering a tenuous peace enforced by the imposition in late August of emergency rule in the stricken areas.

Police Capt. Eugene Opperman said patrols found the bodies of many people shot or hacked to death in Thokoza and Tembisa after an unidentified group of men armed with rifles and sharpened weapons ''went on a rampage'' late Saturday.

The deaths come only hours after the signing of a regional peace accord Saturday between the ANC and arch rival Inkatha in the north of hard-hit Natal province, since 1987 the scene of the worst fighting between the groups.

In other developments, 15 African National Congress members convicted of high treason and terrorism were freed Monday - the first group of prisoners to be released under a groundbreaking agreement between the ANC and the government.

The releases came under an accord negotiated Aug. 6 under which the government agreed to a phased release of an estimated 1,500 political prisoners to further pave the way for power-sharing negotiations between black leaders and the government. The ANC's end of the bargain was agreement to suspend its 29-year guerrilla war.

Most of the prisoners freed Monday came from the offshore maximum-security facility at Robben Island and from jails in Transvaal province and had served at least two-thirds of their sentences.

The prisoner releases and return of exiles are expected to be completed by April 1991.

On his tour, Mandela visited Norway and Algeria, and in Libya apparently sought funds for the ANC from Libya's Col. Moammar Gadhafi, one of the movement's most stalwart foreign supporters.

Mandela has refused to condemn Libya's exporting of terrorism, cutting off questions and criticism on the issue. He said in an address last month, ''We don't all share the same enemies.''

In Lusaka, leaders of a coalition of seven southern African states working against apartheid and known as the ''Frontline States,'' ended a one-day summit Saturday with the appeal to de Klerk to end the black strife.

The meeting of Zambia, Angola, Botswana, Mozambique, Tanzania, Namibia and Zimbabwe sent with Mandela ''a message to Mr. de Klerk to stop the carnage '' group chairman and Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda said.

De Klerk imposed emergency rule on 27 townships straddling Johannesburg Aug. 24, giving police and the army sweeping powers to quell the violence between the multi-tribal supporters of Mandela's ANC and followers of the exclusively Zulu Inkatha movement that in two weeks last month killed more than 500 people.

Police said the latest deaths, in three townships east of Johannesburg, followed attacks Saturday by an unidentified group of men armed with rifles and sharp weapons and a separate attack by gunmen on an opposing group.

Mandela had condemned the imposition of the emergency rule as ''totally useless,'' noting the three-month renewable measures would not solve the problem of what the ANC calls Inkatha provocation.

Battles between the two sides in Natal have killed up to 4,000 people since 1987, and De Klerk reimposed a state of emergency there June 8 while lifting it after four years in the country's other three provinces in a move to placate anti-apartheid movements.

Despite denials from Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi, the ANC has insisted he has fomented the violence to undercut Mandela's position as preeminent black leader ahead of full-blown power-sharing talks with the white minority government.

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(SEPT. 3) UPI - Jordanian King Hussein is in West Germany to talk about Mideast peace and more aid for his country. Bonn has already sent food, medical supplies and tents to help the thousands of refugees who fled to Jordan after Iraq invaded Kuwait. .

40 Americans may have made it out of Iraq, accompanied by civil rights figure Jesse Jackson, but hundreds more remain behind. Promises made one week ago to let women and children out of Iraq have been met by further delays.

A predawn launch Thursday is still the goal for the shuttle Columbia and its seven-member crew. The flight is already three months late because of a fuel leak. The countdown resumed this morning after engineers scurried to make repairs this weekend.

Labor Day traditionally marks the end of summer and the start of fall politics. And so it is in Florida and Nevada. Voters there head to the polls tomorrow to decide who will be running in November's gubernatorial races. Political veterans Senator Lawton Chiles and Representative Bill Nelson battle for the chance to UNseat Florida Governor Bob Martinez.

Diplomatic efforts to end a nine-month crisis in Lebanon may end with military action. Troops loyal to President Elias Hrawi are reported to be moving with promises of Syrian back-up toward positions held by rebel Christian General Michel Aoun.

A week-long series of events are planned in New Hampshire to mark today's 25th anniversary of the ''Incident at Exeter'' U-F-O sighting. But the person who reported the famed sighting that touched off a wave of sightings across the nation woN'T be there. Norman Muscarello is thought to have moved from New Hampshire.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Larkin ss	3	1	1	0	LSmith lf	5	0	2	0
Duncan 2b	3	2	2	3	Gant cf	4	1	1	0
Sabo 3b	5	0	2	0	Justice rf	5	1	2	0
Davis lf	5	0	0	1	Presley 3b	4	1	0	0
Braggs rf	4	1	1	1	Lemke 2b	0	0	0	0
Birtsas p	0	0	0	0	Cabrera 1b	2	0	1	1
Benzinger 1b	3	1	1	0	Gregg 1b	2	1	1	0
Oliver c	3	1	2	0	Thomas ss	4	3	2	2
Quinones ph	1	0	0	0	Blauser 3b	3	1	2	2

Reed c	0	0	0	0	Whitt c	3	0	1	2
Hatcher cf	4	0	0	1	Avery p	2	0	0	0
Browning p	1	0	0	0	Grant p	1	0	0	0
Lee ph	0	0	0	0	McDowell ph	0	0	0	0
Wnnnghm ph	1	0	1	0	Vatcher ph	1	0	1	1
Scudder p	0	0	0	0	Parrett p	0	0	0	0
Morris ph	1	0	0	0					
Layana p	0	0	0	0					
O'Neill rf	1	0	0	0					
Totals	35	6	10	6	Totals	36	8	13	8

Cincinnati	113 100 000- 6
Atlanta	015 000 20x- 8

E-Thomas, Sabo. LOB-Cincinnati 7, Atlanta 8. 2B-Justice, Oliver, Blauser, Gregg, Thomas. 3B-Blauser. HR-Duncan (9), Braggs (4). SB-LSmith (10). SF-Duncan.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Browning	3	8	6	6	0	1
Scudder	3	1	0	0	1	0
Layana (L 5-2)	2-3	2	2	2	2	0
Birtsas	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	2
Atlanta						
Avery	3	7	6	5	1	2
Grant (W 2-2)	4	2	0	0	1	3
Parrett (S 2)	2	1	0	0	0	1

Avery pitched to 2 batters in the 4th.

HBP-by Browning (Presley), by Grant (Duncan), by Parrett (Benzinger).
PB-Oliver. Balk-Browning. T-2:57. A-9,176.

Umpires-Home, Hallion; 1b, Marsh; 2b, Wendelstedt; 3b, West.

PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	4	0	2	1	Redus lf	2	1	0	0
Morandini 2b	3	0	0	0	Bonds lf	1	0	0	0
Carman p	0	0	0	0	Bell ss	4	2	2	0
Boever p	0	0	0	0	Van Slyke cf	4	0	1	1
Ready ph	1	0	0	0	Bonilla rf	4	1	2	1
VHayes lf	4	0	0	0	King 3b	3	0	2	2
Murphy rf	3	0	0	0	Slaught c	3	0	0	0
Kruk 1b	3	0	0	0	Bream 1b	3	0	0	0

Daulton c	3	0	1	0	Lind 2b	3	0	1	0
Thon ss	3	0	0	0	Drabek p	3	0	1	0
Booker 3b	3	1	1	0					
Ruffin p	0	0	0	0					
CHayes 3b	2	0	0	0					
Totals	29	1	4	1	Totals	30	4	9	4

Philadelphia	001 000 000- 1
Pittsburgh	201 000 01x- 4

LOB-Philadelphia 2, Pittsburgh 8. 2B-Booker, Drabek, Lind, King, Bonilla.
S-Ruffin. SF-King.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Ruffin (L 6-12)	5	5	3	3	2	4
Carman	2	3	1	1	2	2
Boever	1	1	0	0	1	2
Pittsburgh						
Drabek (W 18-5)	9	4	1	1	0	6

Carman pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

T-2:26. A-23,854.

Umpires-Home, Bonin; 1b, Tata; 2b, Quick; 3b, Rennert.

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	5	0	1	1	Roberts 3b	5	1	3	0
Kingery rf	5	1	2	0	Alomar 2b	4	0	0	0
Clark 1b	4	0	1	1	Gwynn rf	4	0	1	2
Mitchell lf	4	1	1	0	JaClark 1b	3	0	0	0
Williams 3b	3	1	2	1	JCarter lf	4	0	0	0
Riles 2b	2	1	0	0	Santiago c	2	1	0	0
Kennedy c	2	1	2	1	Templeton ss	4	0	1	0
GCarter c	0	0	0	0	Abner cf	4	1	1	0
Benjamin ss	4	0	0	0	Schiraldi p	2	1	1	0
Brantley p	0	0	0	0	Show p	0	0	0	0
Downs p	1	0	0	1	Lynn ph	1	0	1	2
Anderson ss	1	0	0	0	Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0
					Cora ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	31	5	9	5	Totals	34	4	8	4

San Francisco	110 003 000- 5
San Diego	002 002 000- 4

E-Schiraldi. DP-San Francisco 1, San Diego 2. LOB-San Francisco 6, San Diego 8. 2B-Templeton, Schiraldi, Williams, Kennedy, Abner. 3B-Butler. SB-Roberts (36), Santiago (4). S-Downs, Riles. SF-Downs.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Downs (W 1-0)	7 1-3	7	4	4	4	3
Brantley (S 19)	1 2-3	1	0	0	1	2
San Diego						
Schiraldi (L 3-8)	5	7	5	5	3	3
Show	1	0	0	0	0	0
Rodriguez	3	2	0	0	1	0

Schiraldi pitched to 4 batters in the 6th.

T-2:42. A-17,287.

Umpires-Home, Rippley; 1b, Darling; 2b, Froemming; 3b, Pulli.

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Yelding cf	5	1	2	1	Harris 2b	3	0	1	0
Candaele rf	5	0	4	2	Hatcher 3b	2	0	0	0
Biggio c	2	0	0	0	Gibson cf	5	0	0	0
Davis 1b	4	0	0	0	Daniels lf	4	1	1	0
Caminiti 3b	4	2	2	0	Murray 1b	5	0	1	0
Smith p	0	0	0	0	Brooks rf	4	0	1	1
Ramirez ss	5	1	2	0	Scioscia c	3	2	2	1
Stubbs lf	4	2	1	0	Dempsey c	1	0	0	0
Rhodes lf	0	0	0	0	Sharpersn 3b	2	0	1	0
Rohde 2b	4	1	2	2	Griffin ss	2	0	0	0
Gullickson p	2	0	0	0	Gwynn ph	1	0	0	0
Agosto p	0	0	0	0	Offerman ss	0	0	0	0
Oberkfell 3b	0	0	0	0	Samuel 2b	1	0	0	0
					Valenzuel p	1	0	0	0
					DHolmes p	0	0	0	0
					Vizcaino ph	1	0	0	0
					Poole p	0	0	0	0
					Javier ph	1	0	1	1
					Crews p	0	0	0	0
					JGonzalz ph	1	0	0	0
					Walsh p	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	7	13	5	Totals	37	3	8	3

Houston 020 410 000- 7

Los Angeles 010 000 110- 3

E-Valenzuela, Brooks, Ramirez, Oberkfell. DP-Los Angeles 1. LOB-Houston 10 Los Angeles 10. 2B-Caminiti. HR-Scioscia (12). SB-Sharperson (15). S-Biggio 2, Gullickson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Gullickson (W 9-12)	6 1-3	7	2	2	1	2
Agosto	1 1-3	1	1	1	2	0
Smith (S 21)	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	2
Los Angeles						
Valenzuela (L 12-11)	3 1-3	8	6	6	2	1
DHolmes	1 2-3	3	1	1	1	1
Poole	2	1	0	0	2	1
Crews	1	1	0	0	1	2
Walsh	1	0	0	0	0	3

WP-Valenzuela. T-3:06. A-42,856.

Umpires-Home, Harvey; 1b, Demuth; 2b, Gregg; 3b, Crawford.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Herr 2b	5	2	3	0	Coleman lf	4	0	0	1
Teufel 1b	4	2	1	0	Smith ss	5	0	1	0
Jefferies 3b	3	1	0	1	Lankford cf	3	0	0	0
Strawbrry rf	4	2	3	1	Jose rf	4	0	0	0
Reed rf	0	0	0	0	Zeile 1b	4	0	0	0
McReynlds lf	4	2	2	4	Pendleton 3b	4	1	2	0
Miller lf	0	0	0	0	Pagnozzi c	4	1	3	0
Johnson ss	3	0	0	2	Oquendo 2b	4	1	2	1
Baez ss	0	0	0	0	Tewksbury p	1	0	0	0
Boston cf	5	0	2	1	Walling ph	1	0	0	0
Sasser c	4	0	1	0	Dayley p	0	0	0	0
Hundley c	0	0	0	0	Thompson ph	1	0	0	0
Gooden p	3	0	0	0	Niedenfuer p	0	0	0	0
Whitehurst p	0	0	0	0	Guerrero ph	1	0	1	1
Totals	35	9	12	9	Totals	36	3	9	3

New York 000 310 203- 9
St. Louis 000 000 003- 3

E-McReynolds, Jefferies. DP-New York 1. LOB-New York 7, St. Louis 8. 2B-McReynolds, Herr 2, Strawberry 2, Teufel. HR-McReynolds (20). SB-Smith (29). S-Gooden. SF-Johnson 2, Jefferies.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Gooden (W 15-6)	7	6	0	0	2	5
Whitehurst	2	3	3	1	0	2
St. Louis						
Tewksbury (L 9-5)	5	7	4	4	1	3
Dayley	2	3	2	2	2	0
Niedenfuer	2	2	3	3	1	0

T-2:58. A-27,156.

Umpires-Home, Montague; 1b, Davidson; 2b, Williams; 3b, McSherry.

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(SEPT. 3) UPI - President Bush headed back to Washington today following his Maine vacation. And he'll spend part of this week packing his bags again. Bush heads to Finland next weekend for a meeting with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev that's expected to touch on the Persian Gulf crisis and arms control.

Nelson Mandela says efforts to reach a settlement on apartheid should begin as soon as possible and he predicted today that formal power-sharing talks with the South African government will likely open before the end of the year. Mandela made his comments today at a news conference in Johannesburg's Soweto township.

Philippine President Aquino today ruled out declaring martial law in her government's battle with mutinous soldiers. Aquino also rejected a call by a Cabinet member for her resignation. A string of bombings in the Philippines continued today with a blast that injured four people inside a Manila shopping center.

Chilean officials will attend tomorrow's private funeral for the nation's late president Salvador Allende, killed in a military coup 17 years ago. Foreign officials are also expected to attend the service. Allende had been buried in an UNmarked grave in a seaside resort.

At least 10 people have died in new violence in India as Moslem rebels press their fight for independence from Indian rule. A suspected government informant was publicly executed today when rebels fired at bombs they had strapped to his body. The violence coincided with the beginning of a five-day strike by government workers.

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(SEPT. 3) UPI - Few disruptions are reported in a 24-hour general strike called by ethnic Albanians living in Yugoslavia's Serbia Republic. Tens of thousands of Albanians took part in the demonstrations against alleged human rights violations by the communist government. Workers from other areas filled in for the strikers.

New York City police are questioning four suspects in the stabbing death of a 22-year-old tourist from Provo, Utah. And family members reportedly identified two of them in the death of Brian Watkins, killed last night on a mid-town Manhattan subway platform. Watkins was stabbed trying to protect his mother from muggers.

Teachers at the W-J Bryan Elementary School in Miami will let their fingers do the walking- and talking- when school opens tomorrow. A new computerized telephone system will let teachers inform parents when their child is disciplined, forgets a homework assignment or was given a note to bring home.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Traded nose tackle Shawn Lee to Miami for an undisclosed 1991 draft pick; signed center Guy Bingham and placed him on the exempt list; cut wide receiver Stacey Bailey, nose tackle Tony Bowick, guards Stan Clayton and Ben Utt, quarterback Gilbert Renfroe, tight end Troy Sadowski, linebacker Donnie Salum, safety Elbert Shelley, and defensive end Ben Thomas.

Chicago - Cut linebackers Troy Johnson and Glenell Sanders, defensive tackle Dick Chapura, fullbacks Scott Williams and Pat Chaffey, tackle Chris Dyko, wide receivers Tom Waddle and Quintin Smith, cornerback John Mangum, and defensive end Brent White; placed wide receiver Tony Moss on the waived-injured list.

Cleveland - Cut linemen Dave Smith and George Hawthorne, wide receiver Eugene Rowell, running backs Darryl Clack and Nuu Faaola, defensive lineman Darryl Sims, linebackers Clifford Charlton, Lawrence McGrew and Kerry Owens, safety Falanda Newton, quarterback Pat Ryan and kicker Matt Bahr; placed defensive lineman Andrew Stewart on injured reserve.

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picks; acquired offensive guard John Gesek from LA Raiders for draft pick; placed kicker Ken Willis and running back Timmy Smith on procedural recall waivers.

Denver - Placed defensive end Alphonso Carreker on injured reserve; cut running backs Jeff Alexander and Blake Ezor, offensive linemen Brad Leggett and Scott Beavers, quarterbacks Pat Hegarty and Scott Erney, wide receivers Jason Johnson and Vernon Turner, tight end Paul Green, and linebackers Rick Dennison, Ty Allert and Anthony Thompson.

Detroit - Cut running backs Carl Painter, Eric Wilkerson and Greg Paterra, wide receivers Davis Smith and Mike Farr, defensive backs Bruce McNorton, John Miller and Herb Welch, offensive linemen Larry Jones, Eddie Grant and Mark Nua, kicker Wilson Hoyle, linebacker Keith Karpinski and nose tackle Pat Marlatt.

Indianapolis - Cut quarterback Gene Bernhart, tackles Dean Brown and Tim Freeman, tight ends Bill Ames and Pat Davis, wide receivers Tim Finkelston and Darvell Huffman, running backs Marcus Wilson and Joe Henderson, defensive back Harvey Wilson, linebacker James Singletary and center Stan Eisenhooth; placed defensive end Carl Smith on injured reserve.

Kansas City - Signed cornerback Kevin Ross and linebacker Louis Cooper to a series of one-year contracts; placed wide receivers Willie Davis and J.J. Birden, defensive backs Sherrod Rainge and Peter Shorts, guard Gene Chilton, tackle Michael Harris, defensive tackle Peter Shorts and linebacker Walker Lee Ashley on procedural waivers.

LA Raiders - Signed quarterback Steve Beuerlein; placed defensive end Anthony Smith on injured reserve; cut linebackers Ricky Hunley, Ron Burke and Darin Jordan, quarterbacks Vince Evans and Jeff Francis, cornerback Elvis Patterson, tackle Bruce Davis, wide receiver Stefon Adams, safety Derrick Crudup, tight end Trey Junkin and running back Kerry Porter.

LA Rams - Cut quarterback Mark Herrmann, linebackers Mel Owens and Stephen Bates, wide receivers Tim Stallworth, Paco Craig and Monty Gilbreath, fullback Mel Farr, offensive linemen John Guerrero and Elbert Crawford, running back Fred Whittingham, safety Lupe Sanchez and defensive tackles General Brown and Jerry Leggett.

Miami - Acquired nose tackle Shawn Lee from Atlanta for draft pick; cut defensive end Jackie Cline, guards Stacy Searels and Tony Brown, tight end Greg Baty, defensive end Jeff Faulkner, cornerback African Grant, linebacker Chris Haering ans Stacy Harvey, fullback Garrett Limbrick, nose tackle Jeff Roth and wide receiver Thomas Woods; placed cornerback Donnie Elder, tackle Dave Popp and linebacker Barry Krauss on injured reserve.

New England - Signed linebacker Chris Singleton to four-year contract; cut

tight end Lin Dawson, running backs Marvin Allen and Jamie Morris, linebackers Ed Williams, Tim Jordan and Ilia Jarostchuck, wide receiver Kitrick Taylor, center Bob White, guards Shawn Bouwens, David Douglas and Eric Still, defensive end Billy Keys and safety Brian Hutson.

New Orleans - Cut running back Buford Jordan, linebacker Lonnie Brockman, tackle Chris Port, nose tackle Tony Woods and quarterback Jason Garrett; placed linebackers Alvin Toles and Tracy Simien and cornerback Calvin Nicholson on waived-injured list; placed center Todd Wheeler on injured reserve.

NY Giants - Released running back Joe Morris, quarterback Craig Kupp, tight end Thornton Chandler, tackle Ed Cunningham, wide receiver Troy Kyles, linebackers Mark Dennis and Randy Thornton, cornerback Sheldon White and Howard Feggins, defensive ends Greg Mark and Tim Downing and guard Roy Brown; placed safety Adrian White on injured reserve.

NY Jets - Traded fullback Roger Vick to Philadelphia for an undisclosed draft pick; cut wide receiver Mike Martin, linebacker Basil Proctor, tackles Mike Withycombe and Curt Singer, and defensive tackle Tony Savage.

Philadelphia - Released wide receivers Cris Carter, Marvin Hargrove, Tyrone Watson, running backs James Gray, Adam Walker, Ervin Farris, offensive linemen Owen Hooven, Michael Husar, defensive linemen Carl Dawson, Horacio Moronta, linebacker Gary Kinne, tight end Maurice Johnson and quarterback Matt Cavanaugh.

Phoenix - Released quarterback Gary Hogeboom, defensive tackles Travis Davis and Gary Hadd, defensive end Ralph Jarvis, cornerback Mickey Washington, wide receivers John Jackson, Amod Field and Norman Dempsey, linebackers Vernon Maxwell and Chris Chenault, tight end Dennis Smith and running back William Howard.

Pittsburgh - Cut wide receivers Rodney Carter, Weegie Thompson, Mark Stock and Lorenzo Davis, tight end Billy Griggs, running backs Tim Tyrell and Kimble Anders, safeties Darryl Holmes and Billy Owens, cornerback Richard Shelton, linebacker Eddie Miles and tackle John Buddenberg.

San Diego - Cut running back Tim Spencer, Thomas Sanders and Darrin Nelson tight end Andy Parker, safeties Bruce Plummer and Michael Brooks, defensive ends Nate Hill and Gerald Robinson, offensive linemen Dennis McKnight, Larry Williams, Joe Staysniak and Jeff Novak and wide receiver Terence Cleveland.

Seattle - Signed defensive lineman Cortez Kennedy.

Tampa Bay - Released kicker Donald Igwebuike, running back Lars Tate and Derrick Douglas, wide receivers Chris Ford and Terry Anthony, punter Chris

Mohr, defensive back Sean Lucas, defensive end Donnie Gardner, nose tackle Willie Wyatt and linebacker Maurice Oliver, placed center Dan Graham on injured reserve.

Washington - Cut defensive backs Wayne Davis, Rico Labbe, Alvoid Mays and Clarence Vaughn, wide receiver Stephen Hobbs, defensive linemen Milford Hodge, Alonzo Mitz and Pat Swoopes, linebacker Jon Levernz, and tight ends Terry Orr, Mike Tice and Ken Whisenhunt; placed quarterback Cary Conklin on injured reserve.
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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 4) UPI - The Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy Telethon broke its fund-raising records Monday, receiving pledges of more than $44 million.

The 21 1/2-hour effort, in its 25th year, exceeded last year's total by about $2 million, receiving pledges amounting to $44,172,186.

Broadcast live from the Aquarius Theater in Hollywood, the telethon was carried by some 200 television stations nationwide.

''The warmth and generosity of the American people in supporting MDA's fight against nueromuscular disease was never more evident than during these last few days,'' Lewis said.

The telethon featured a host of entertainers, including Bill Cosby and Aretha Franklin.

Portions of the show were aired from New York and Las Vegas.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	76	57	.571	-	42-21	34-36	10	W-10
Toronto	70	65	.519	7	34-34	36-31	4-6	L-1
Detroit	65	70	.481	12	33-35	32-35	7-3	W-1
Milwaukee	63	71	.471	13 1/2	31-36	32-35	6-4	L-2
Baltimore	60	73	.451	16	29-34	31-39	1-9	L-4
Cleveland	59	74	.444	17	32-36	27-38	2-8	L-7
New York	56	78	.418	20 1/2	30-33	26-45	4-6	L-5

West								
Oakland	83	50	.624	-	44-24	39-26	6-4	W-1
Chicago	76	56	.576	6 1/2	38-29	38-27	4-6	L-1
Texas	67	66	.504	16	37-28	30-38	4-6	L-1
California	68	67	.504	16	36-32	32-35	7-3	W-2
Kansas City	66	67	.496	17	40-29	26-38	5-5	W-1
Seattle	66	69	.489	18	35-36	31-33	5-5	W-1
Minnesota	62	74	.459	22 1/2	33-36	29-38	6-4	W-3

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 3) UPI - Minnie Minoso's bid to become the first person to play in six decades of major league baseball will depend on the Chicago White Sox's chances in the American League West.

Minoso, a career .298 hitter who broke into the majors in 1949 with Cleveland but spent the majority of his career in Chicago, will be activated this season, White Sox owner Jerry Reinsdorf said Monday.

This is the White Sox's last season at Comiskey Park, a stadium that is only a few years older than the 67-year-old Minoso. The Cuban's 1990 appearance would be set by now except the White Sox are still challenging Oakland in the AL West.

The White Sox probably won't use Minoso until the pennant race is decided, one way or the other.

'''When' I don't know - but I'll play,'' said Minoso after taking his turn in the batting cage Monday.

''Oakland gets Harold Baines and Willie McGee. We get Minnie Minoso and Jerry Hairston,'' said Ozzie Guillen, the White Sox's ebullient shortstop.

Minoso joined the White Sox in 1951-57, then again 1960-61, '64, '76 and '80. He led Chicago in extra base hits in 1966, and in runs and RBI in 1954, and had a 23-game hitting streak in '55. He compiled a .304 average for the White Sox, appearing in 1,379 games in a Chicago uniform, not counting the numerous Old Timers games when he dons No. 9. That's one of seven numbers retired by the White Sox.

''It looks pretty good, doesn't it?'' Minoso said, modeling his uniform, which has a slight bulge around the middle.

He ranks among the top 10 career White Sox players in games, runs (893), average (.304), hits (1,523), doubles (260), at-bats (5,011), triples (79) slugging percentage (.468), RBI (808), and extra base hits (474).

Minoso's name already has appeared on a Hall of Fame ballot, but his eligibilty would not be threatened. His longevity is legendary - he became a father at the age of 66.

''He (Minoso) looks pretty good,'' Reinsdorf said. ''Look, he hit a ball to the warning track.''

Hairston, who played for the White Sox from 1973-77 and 1981 until the present, also will be activated in his bid to total 10 major league seasons so he is eligible for the pension plan. He was Chicago's premier pinch hitter.

But can Minoso and Hairston help the White Sox in the stretch? When told of Guillen's comments, Chicago Manager Jeff Torborg laughed. Loud and long.

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#90246u1426 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 3) UPI - Steffi Graf, her two biggest rivals already eliminated, personally removed the darling of the crowd from the U.S. Open Monday with a 6-1, 6-2 victory over Jennifer Capriati.

The much anticipated showdown between the world's best woman player and the 14-year-old prodigy was a runaway disaster as Graf, the two-time defending champion, sped to a 53-minute victory for a berth in the quarterfinals.

Boris Becker, the men's defending champion, endured a much more difficult struggle than did his West German compatriot before edging Australian Darren Cahill 2-6, 6-2, 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

No. 4 seed Andre Agassi coasted into the quarterfinals, sweeping 11 games in a row in downing No. 13 Jay Berger, 7-5, 6-0, 6-2, in 1 hour, 50 minutes.

Perhaps too much was expected of Capriati, who begins ninth grade next week in Boca Raton, Fla., and the pressure was compounded by a sellout crowd of 20,000 at the National Tennis center solidly behind her.

From 1-1 in the opening set, Capriati managed merely 11 points in the next eight games, effectively ending her day.

''The press has made it seem like I'm so great and people expect it of me '' Capriati said. ''That puts more pressure on.

''To win the first set, all Steffi had to do was get the ball on the court. I didn't really feel solid out there. It was one of those days, I guess. I was pretty nervous. I didn't realize how nervous I was until I

got out there. In the beginning I couldn't hit a ball on the court.''

Capriati, who has a 35-9 record in her first season on the tour and climbed to No. 14 in the world rankings, said she absorbed a solid lesson from the champion.

''I wasn't doing anything out there,'' she said. ''I wasn't making the shots, I wasn't going to the net. Next time I can't let that ''wasn't

Graf's victory, her 18th in a row at the Open, fittingly comes on the day she broke the record for men and women of holding the No. 1 world ranking for 160 weeks.

''I expected a very tough match,'' said Graf, 21. ''I knew it wasn't going to be easy to play her because of expectations, but it turned out different. She deserves a lot of attention, being 14 and doing so well, but it's not making it easy for her.''

Capriati, who carried Graf to 6-4 in the third set before losing to her in the final of an exhibition last week, overcame double break point to hold serve in the second game. But she won only 13 more points in the first set which Graf polished off in 21 minutes.

Trailing 3-0 in the second set, Capriati started going to the net more and broke service, then held at love. She had two break points in the sixth game and one more in the eighth, courtesy of a Graf double fault, but was unable to convert.

''I'm mostly disappointed,'' Capriati said of her effort. ''I'll just think that this is not going to be the end of the world for me. I'll think about it and go on to the next tournament.''

Asked how her classmates would respond to her, Capriati responded: ''They'll treat me normal. I'm still normal.''

With the eliminations of Martina Navratilova and Monica Seles, the second and third seeds, Graf is in excellent position to annex her third consecutive U.S. Open crown and her first Grand Slam title since the Australian Open in January.

She next plays No. 12 Jana Novotna, a 6-4, 6-2 winner over No. 7 Katerina Maleeva.

No. 4 Zina Garrison also reached the quarterfinals with a 6-1, 7-5 victory over Nathalie Tauziat and could face Graf in the semifinals. They also met in the Wimbledon semis, with Garrison scoring a big upset.

Becker, the second seed, used a service break in the seventh game of the

deciding set to turn back Cahill, the same man who eliminated him in straight sets in the second round of the 1988 Open.

''It's nice to win 6-4 in the fifth, sometimes better than 2, 2 and 2,'' said Becker, winner of seven of his last nine five-set matches. ''It's tougher for your head, it's a real battle out there to try and fight to win.''

Cahill, ranked 48th in the world and like his opponent a strong serve-and-volleyer, took the first two points on his serve in the decisive seventh game, but Becker swept the next four. A backhand pass by Becker set up break point and Cahill then netted a forehand volley.

Becker served out the 3-hour, 14 minute match, yielding five points in five service games. In the sixth game, Becker held with a pair of aces, half the four he managed all day, followed by two service winners.

On match point, Cahill fell racing to his left and was in no position to contest a follow-up backhand volley from Becker to the other side of the court.

''I played a couple of loose volleys at the wrong time, and he served better in the fifth set,'' Cahill said. ''He cut out his loose errors on his service games in the fifth set.''

Becker will play ninth-seed Aaron Krickstein. The American defeated Amos Mansdorf of Israel, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4 in Monday's evening match.

After winning the second and third sets comfortably, Becker fell behind 3-0 in the fourth, including two service breaks. He got one of the breaks back at love in the fourth game, then held at love to narrow his deficit to 3-2.

Becker had several good chances to get back on serve, with a total of seven break points in the sixth and eighth games, but failed to capitalize. In the sixth game, when Becker had five break points, Cahill set up two of them with double faults.

Cahill ended the set with a break in the ninth game. On the final point, Becker thought a forehand from the Australian was going long and he watched it bounce past. The ball was called good.

''It was a very difficult one and I was lucky to get through it,'' Becker said. ''He played great tennis and I had to struggle to get back. I kept my cool.''

Agassi, the loser in the French Open final, believes he can ride to the title if he remains at the top of his game.

''When it comes down to it, I seem to be bearing down and that gives me a lot of confidence going into the rest of the tournament,'' he said.

From 5-5 in the opening set, Agassi captured the next 11 games, carrying him to 3-0 in the third set.

''I knew it was a question of being motivated, staying concentrated and making him pay the price if he was going to win,'' Agassi said of Berger.

In the quarterfinals Agassi faces unseeded Andrei Cherkasov, who advanced with a 6-4, 6-4, 7-5 victory over Christo van Rensburg.

Garrison also is feeling frisky and likes her chances for a first Grand Slam crown.

''The balls have been falling my way,'' she said after beating Tauziat. ''I'm hitting the ball better, and more than anything I'm fighting it out mentally and getting that extra inch when I need it.''

Garrison's next opponent will be sixth seed Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, who claimed her berth in the quarterfinals by beating No. 16 Barbara Paulus, 6-4, 6-3.

One day after her older sister, Manuela, reached the quarterfinals by upsetting Navratilova, Katerina Maleeva was bounced out. Novotna, reaching the quarterfinals of the Open for the first time in four attempts, raced to a 5-0 lead in the second set before Maleeva broke her service.

''I was a little nervous at the beginning, but after winning the first set I started playing better,'' said the 21-year-old Czechoslovakian. ''Until 5-0 in the second set I played an incredible match.''

Maleeva said she had difficulty adjusting to the wind on the Stadium Court adding, ''It was just a day when not everything worked for me.''

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(SEPT. 3) UPI - A Paris organization is calling for massive refugee aid on a scale NOT seen since World War Two ended. The group Doctors Without Borders says the international effort is needed to head off what it calls a ''catastrophe'' in the Mideast. The group reports that 20-thousand refugees are trapped in the desert between Jordan and Iraq, and another 90-thousand are in Iraq trying to get out.

The Persian Gulf crisis is expected to be a major topic of discussion when Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy arrives in Washington for the first

time since taking office in June. He is to meet with Secretary of State Baker on Wednesday. The two may also discuss the stalled peace process between Israel and its Arab neighbors.

Increased economic aid for the poorest nations is being discussed in Paris in a meeting of eight industralized countries. France has already proposed increasing its Third World aid to equal two-tenths of one percent of its yearly gross national product. Other countries attending the meeting include Canada, Italy, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland and the Netherlands.

An urgent call for a market economy is being made by Russian leader Boris Yeltsin at the opening of the parliament governing the largest republic in the Soviet Union. Yelstin told delegates that a recently completed three-week tour convinced him that local enterprises must be free of central control.

Officials say the presence of chaplains and community leaders helped keep a gathering of college-age youths in Virginia Beach, Virginia, relatively quiet this holiday weekend. This year's calm is just the opposite of last year when some of the youths went on a rampage, leaving behind damage of one-point-four-Million dollars.

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(SEPT. 3) UPI - Tunisian state television says the head of the 21-nation Arab League has resigned. Arab diplomats report that Chadli Klibi stepped down from his post after Saudi and Egyptian delegates criticized him for his response to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Diplomats say the resignation could worsen the division between league members who support Iraq and the slight majority that opposes Baghdad's aggression.

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Jordanian King Hussein was in West Germany earlier today seeking support to end the Middle East stand-off without an eruption of violence. Hussein and West German Chancellor Kohl met for about an hour before Hussein's departure for Paris. The two men emphasized the need to end the crisis peacefully. Hussein also sought German financial assistance to soften his country's burden as refugees pour over the Iraqi border.

The newest member to the Soviet legislature is a former K-G-B general who was stripped of his rank and honors for criticizing the secret police agency. Soviet television reports Oleg Kalugin, a 32-year K-G-B veteran, won a majority of votes in a weekend runoff election for a seat in the Congress of People's Deputies.

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#90246u1760 09/03/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 3) UPI - Iraq has shut off the flow of detained foreigners seeking to leave the country. The move comes as Baghdad demanded that it receive reciprocal landing rights from governments desiring to send planes to retrieve nationals from Iraq. Current U-N sanctions prohibit such a deal.

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Tensions with the Arab League are said to be the reason the organization's chairman stepped down from his post today. Arab diplomats say Chadli Klibi resigned after facing stiff criticism for his handling of the conflict by Egyptian and Saudi delegates.

The spirit of reform appears to be healthy in the Soviet Union. Television reports say a weekend run-off election for the Soviet legislature went in favor of a former K-G-B official and military general. Oleg Kalugin was stripped of his rank in March after criticizing the secret service.

South African anti-apartheid leader Nelson Mandela said today that power-sharing negotiations with the white-minority government should get underway before year's end. Mandela says he sees NO reason NOT to expect the government to dismantle apartheid.

The nation's space agency encountered NO troubles following today's re-activization of countdown clocks for the shuttle Columbia. Columbia is slated to liftoff Thursday morning on a 10-day astronomy mission.

City officials say the gathering of black college students in Virginia Beach, Virginia, went smoothly. But the head of the state's N-Double-A-C-P says the safe atmosphere was gained through a suffocating police presence. Hundreds of police officers were on duty after riots scarred last year's gathering.

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#90246u1763 09/03/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 3) UPI - Witnesses in India's embattled Kashmir province say Moslem rebels killed a suspected police informant today by detonating explosives rigged to his body with firearms. The violence came as government workers began a five-day strike.

Philippine officials today removed the country's military from a red alert status. The armed forces were placed on their highest level of readiness nearly three weeks ago after a number of anti-government bombings.

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Despite continued right-wing violence, Philippine President Corazon Aquino refused to declare martial law today. Aquino instead asked Filipinos to unite to rid the country of insurgent forces.

New York police have four suspects in custody following last night's fatal stabbing of an out-of-towner who tried to protect his family from a band of subway muggers. A police spokesman says the family has positively identified two detained suspects as their attackers.

Cleveland authorities say two youngsters died in an early-morning blaze today. Fire officials are investigating the cause of the blaze, which occurred as the children's mother was giving birth to a boy at a nearby hospital.

Guatemalan officials today denied reports that Guatemalan troops crossed the Mexican border and threatened Guatemalan refugees. A group of refugees in Mexico last week said 20 armed Guatemalan troops entered Mexico in early August and searched one expatriate's house for weapons.

Aerospace giant Boeing says a Korean flier has placed an order that could total six BILLION dollars. Asiana Airlines has ordered 27 Boeing planes- worth about three BILLION dollars- and has an option on another two dozen- worth another three BILLION dollars.

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#90246u1852 09/03/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 3) UPI - Cause for optimism appears to have been short-lived regarding the fate of several thousand Westerners detained in Iraq. After a weekend in which nearly 500 detainees were allowed to leave Iraq, Baghdad has demanded that future departures be tied to Iraqi planes receiving landing clearance from foreign governments with citizens in Iraq. Such a move would go against U-N sanctions.

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Venezuela has responded to the embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil by announcing it would lift its daily oil production level by 350-thousand barrels by the end of September. But today, the South American nation's energy minister said further boosts in production will likely rely on oil-consuming nations investing in the Venezuelan economy. Venezuela supplies about 18 percent of the U-S oil supply.

Russian leader Boris Yeltsin today re-asserted the importance of his proposal to implement a free-market economic model in the Russian republic in 500 days. Yeltsin's plan would free Russia's economy from central control and allow private ownership of property. He made his call today at

the opening session of the Russian parliament.

Peru's new government predicts that it will rein in the South American country's inflation rate this month. The optimistic prediction follows an inflation rate of 397 percent last month and an astronomical inflation rate of 12-thousandmonth period that ended last month. Peru's new president... political novice Alberto Fujimori... was elected to office in part because the public wanted fresh ideas to deal with the economy.

Pope John Paul spent the third day of his African trip calling on Christians and Moslems in southern Tanzania to seek mutual respect and understanding. The statement by the 70-year-old pontiff highlights the multi-racial, multi-religious nature of the east African nation he is visiting. Although this is John Paul's seventh trip to Africa, it is his first journey to Tanzania.

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PORTLAND, ORE. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Pinnacle West Capital Corp. (NYSE: PNW) and PacifiCorp (NYSE, LSE: PPW) announced Friday that they had reached agreement on several long-term transactions providing significant benefits to the electric utility customers and shareholders of the companies.

Richard Snell, chairman of Pinnacle West and Arizona Public Service Co., and Al Gleason, president and chief executive officer of PacifiCorp, jointly announced the agreements, which are subject to additional documentation, approval by the boards of directors and approvals of regulatory agencies.

Snell said that the near term effects of the agreements will assist Arizona Public Service Co. in its plan to reduce the proposed rate increase pending before the Arizona Corporation Commission.

Gleason said that the expected long-term benefits of these agreements will help PacifiCorp achieve its goal of maintaining price stability for its customers and earnings growth for its shareholders.

Included in those transactions are:

-- Purchase by PacifiCorp of interests in the Cholla power generation station and other facilities;

-- Exchange of transmission access to each other's systems;

-- Power sales and purchases to complement the needs of both systems, and

-- Resource sharing and seasonal exchanges made possible by the seasonal diversity of the two systems.

On closing of the transactions, PacifiCorp will pay Arizona Public Service Co. approximately $222 million.

In addition, the agreements provide for joint planning of future power supply facilities to insure Arizona's access to Northwest power supplies.

As a result of the agreement reached, PacifiCorp has agreed to terminate its attempt to purchase Arizona Public Service or to acquire control of Pinnacle West.

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FREMONT, CA (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Power Spectra Inc. (OTC:PWSP) announced the award of a $489,903 fixed price contract from the Department of the Air Force, Eglin AFB, Florida.

This 24-month contract is the second phase of a Small Business Innovative Research for the ''Weaponization of Optically Triggered Bulk Semiconductor Switches for Programming High Performance Fuzing Applications.''

Power Spectra is engaged in the development of semiconductor switching devices and high voltage pulse generators for commercial and military applications.

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ALISO VIEJO, CALIF. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Cymbolic Sciences International (CSI), with headquarters in Orange County, will acquire the Electro-Optical Products (EOP) division of MacDonald Dettwiler and Associates Ltd. (MDA), Richmond, B.C., Canada, under terms of an agreement

jointly announced Tuesday by the two companies.

Subject to approval by the Canadian Federal Government, Cymbolic Sciences will acquire MDA's line of digital film recorder products in addition to technology, personnel, the plant, equipment and other facilities for their manufacture, sales, distribution and service.

The combination of the two firms' resources in imaging technology is a milestone for the industry as well as the individual companies involved, according to Peter Lake, president of Cymbolic Sciences.

''MacDonald Dettwiler's achievements in developing precision image output devices are well-known and highly regarded in the U.S., as well as Canada and other parts of the world where its products are marketed. Our strengths lie in the acquisition and manipulation of images and together we have an incomparable team.''

Both firms have established market positions in the printed-circuit- board manufacturing industry, but the MDA division has further developed applications in graphic-arts and scientific sectors.

In the graphic-arts sector, for example, MDA/EOP provides original equipment to three of the largest suppliers of imaging systems in North America.

''We can see enormous opportunities for new products that support MDA's installed base, as well as other industries, such as automotive and medical, which neither firm could address alone. We are budgeting a substantial increase in R&D funds to take advantage of the combined engineering talents,'' Lake said.

The product development and marketing thrust of Cymbolic Sciences International since its foundation in 1986 has focused on the creation, acquisition, manipulation and deposition of images. The first implementation of the company's sophisticated imaging technologies has been in products that automate printed-circuit-board (PCB) manufacturing.

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LOUISVILLE, CO (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Explosive Fabricators Inc. reported third quarter, ending July 31, 1990, revenues of $3,090,000, an

increase of $322,000, or approximately 12 percent, over the same period in 1989.

Net income of $70,000 for the third quarter, or 1 cent per share, fully diluted, was down from $242,000, or 2 cents per share, as reported for the comparable period a year ago.

Nine month revenue for 1990 was reported to be $9,785,000, with net income of $566,000, or 5 cents per share fully diluted. This compares to the nine month figures for 1989 of $7,764,000 in revenue, with $602,000 of net income, or 6 cents per share fully diluted.

The third quarter net income shortfall was attributed to several factors: increased expenses to advance manufacturing efficiencies and marketing activities; price competition for traditional products; and losses experienced from two developmental orders. Although these events adversely affected the company's third quarter earnings they are designed to result in future improvements in revenue and margin performance.

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ALAMEDA, CA (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Glycomed Inc. announced Tuesday that Irving S. Johnson, Ph.D., former vice president of Lilly Research Laboratories, a division of Eli Lilly and Co., has been elected to Glycomed's board of directors.

''The election of Dr. Johnson to our board of directors adds significant expertise to Glycomed's research and management,'' said Alan R. Timms, Ph.D., Glycomed president and chief executive officer.

''His career with Lilly spanned 35 years and he is highly regarded for his personal research accomplishments in biotechnology and for the innovative drug development programs he established during his 15 years as head of pharmaceutical research.''

Johnson joined Eli Lilly and Co. in 1953 as a bacteriologist in a program designed to utilize tissue culture techniques in cancer research. During this time he contributed to solving problems associated with mass production and safety testing of the Salk polio vaccine.

During his career he was actively engaged in a number of research areas,

including cancer and viral chemotherapy, immunoregulatory studies and recombinant DNA research.

While vice president in charge of Lilly Research Laboratories, Johnson oversaw research in the areas of pharmacology, endocrinology, physiology, biochemistry, immunology, cell biology and drug metabolism. He also established and directed programs in recombinant DNA research, plant molecular biology and transgenic animals.

He was largely responsible for Lilly's thrust into applications of molecular biology to identify targets for pharmaceutical development in experimental biology and medicine. Johnson was also instrumental in technology acquisition and corporate investment.

Johnson received a B.S. in chemistry from Washburn Municipal University in 1948 and a Ph.D. in developmental biology from the University of Kansas in 1953.

Johnson was born on June 30, 1925, in Grand Junction, Colo., and lives in Stonington, Maine.

Glycomed is a privately held company that is developing complex carbohydrates for pharmaceutical applications. The company was formed in 1987 and is headquartered in Alameda.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEP[T. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America State Bank and the state's Office of Small Business Tuesday announced they are working together to provide financing to small businesses in California that includes guaranteed revolving lines of credit, term loans, and micro loans as low as $5,000, according to Mike Mantle, president of the bank.

''We are pleased to be the only financial institution in California participating in this program statewide,'' Mantle said. The cooperative efforts between Bank of America State Bank and the Office of Small Business are designed to meet the financial needs of small businesses in California, especially for working capital and short-term credit, Mantle explained.

''I'm delighted that Bank of America State Bank is using its resources and

expertise to further the needs of small businesses in California through this regional guaranteed loan program,'' said Rich Nelson, executive director of the Office of Small Business for the California Department of Commerce.

''Small businesses are vitally important to California's economy because they create most of the new jobs and employment opportunities in the state. These loan products can help ensure that small businesses have access to capital, which is crucial to their economic stability and growth '' Mantle noted.

Bank of America State Bank was specifically created to develop and underwrite these types of loans, Mantle pointed out.

''Our decision to participate in the regional loan guarantee program was based upon careful analysis of the needs of small businesses in California. The analysis included extensive meetings and conversations with economic development practitioners in the public, private, and nonprofit sectors,'' Mantle said.

The small business loan products are being offered by Bank of America State Bank under agreements with the Office of Small Business and eight regional nonprofit small business development corporations. The bank's loans and lines of credit will be guaranteed by these regional nonprofit small business development corporations, which administer the state's $40 million guarantee and direct loan fund under contract with the California Department of Commerce, Office Of Small Business. The fund was established by the State of California to promote economic growth of small businesses.

Small businesses that are creditworthy can obtain one year lines of credit ranging from $50,000 to $400,000. Lines of credit can be used for the purchase of inventory, utilized as cash advances to implement the terms of a work order or a sales contract, or used for the financing of account receivables. Rates on the line of credit are adjustable, with the reference rate of Bank of America NT&SA serving as the index against which the adjustments are made.

Micro loans are available to creditworthy small businesses in amounts from $5,000 to a maximum loan size of $25,000, with terms ranging from one to five years. Term loans over $25,000 are available for up to seven years, with a maximum loan amount of $400,000. The loans can be used for a broad range of business purposes. Interest rates on both the micro loans and the term loans are adjustable, with the reference rate of Bank of America NT&SA serving as the index against which the adjustments are made.

Small businesses interested in obtaining more information on the Bank of America State Bank program should contact one of the regional nonprofit

development centers, or call one of the following Bank of America State Bank officers: in Los Angeles, telephone Susan Howard, 213/228-3081; in San Francisco, call Susan Nakata, 415/622-3942.

The regional small business development corporations are: California Capital Small Business Development Corporation, Sacramento; California Coastal Rural Development Corporation, Salinas; California Regional Urban Development Corporation, Oakland; California Southern Small Business Development Corporation, San Diego; Hancock Urban Development Corporation, Los Angeles; Pacific Coast Regional Urban Development Corporation, Los Angeles; SAFE-BIDCO, Santa Rosa; and Valley Small Business Development Corporation, Fresno.

The Bank of America State Bank is a state-chartered bank headquartered in Concord, Calif. It opened for business in April 1990. The bank focuses on specialized community development lending and investment activities that furthers neighborhood revitalization and production of housing for low- and moderate-income households. Bank of America State Bank is a subsidiary of BankAmerica Corporation.

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IRVINE, CALIF. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Helionetics Inc. (ASE:ZAP) Tuesday announced that its board of directors appointed E. Maxwell Malone as president and chief executive officer of the company.

Malone currently serves as a director of the company and is the chairman of the board and treasurer of TrueTech Inc., the wholly owned subsidiary of the company's Definicon International Inc. subsidiary.

Bernard B. Katz, chairman of Helionetics, said ''that new innovative products that should contribute materially to the growth of Helionetics from its TrueTech subsidiary make Mr. Malone the logical leader to spearhead Helionetics' future growth.''

Helionetics has been a leader for over 20 years in the design and manufacture of solid state and rotary power conditioning systems.

With the acquisition of Definicon International Inc. and TrueTech, Helionetics has further expanded its product lines to include products that are designed around state-of-the-art 32-bit microprocessors and include vector, scalar, parallel and graphic processors that find applications in computer-aided design (CAD), modeling, simulation and three-dimensional fluid dynamics.

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SOLANA BEACH, CA. (AUG. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Chart House Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:CHT) announced the opening of a new Paradise Bakery restaurant in West Covina, Calif., by its wholly owned subsidiary, Paradise Bakery Inc.

This is the third retail bakery opened by Paradise Bakery in Southern California during the third quarter. Paradise Bakery plans to open six additional retail bakeries by year end.

The company presently has a Chart House restaurant under construction in Scottsdale, Ariz., which is expected to open in October. This will bring the number of Chart House restaurant openings to seven for the year.

The company also announced the acquisition of a restaurant property in Warwick, R.I. The property will be remodeled and converted to a Chart House restaurant, which should open in early 1991.

Chart House Enterprises Inc. operates 84 restaurants, including 64 Chart Houses, one Peohe's, 16 Paradise Bakeries and three Cork 'N Cleavers. The company's restaurants are located in 20 states, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. In addition, the company's franchisees operate 13 Paradise Bakeries in Northern California, Colorado, Arizona, Oklahoma and Oregon.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - SEEQ Technology of San Jose (NASDAQ:SEEQ) and Hualon Microelectronics Corp. (HMC) of Hsinchu, Taiwan are announcing that HMC has completed the purchase of 1,625,000 newly issued SEEQ common shares at $3.25 per share.

On July 17, 1990 the companies announced an alliance which includes a manufacturing and technology agreement. The eight year renewable agreement calls for HMC to provide foundry services to SEEQ and provides for the companies to jointly develop and market semiconductor products

worldwide.

Hualon Microelectronics Corp. operates from a 300,000 square foot facility located in the Hsinchu Science based Industrial Park, Taiwan. HMC is part of the Hualon Group which has assets in excess of $2 billion and over 16,000 employees worldwide.

SEEQ Technology Inc. is a leading designer and manufacturer of electrically erasable programmable read-only memories (EEPROMs), Flash EEPROMs and military UVEPROMs. SEEQ also manufacturers Ethernet data communications products and electrically erasable programmable logic devices.

SEEQ Technology Inc. is located at 1849 Fortune Drive, San Jose, CA 95131. Telephone 408/432-7400.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (SEPT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Siliconix inc. (NASDAQ:SILIQ), which filed a voluntary petition for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in April 1990, announced Tuesday that on Aug. 31, it filed a plan of reorganization with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court.

Members of the Creditors' Committee who represent the company's institutional lenders, vendors, and other trade creditors have concurred with the plan, as has the Equity Committee. Negotiations are proceeding with holders of subordinated debentures.

Siliconix intends to seek confirmation by the court of this plan of reorganization by Oct. 31, 1990. Under the plan, AEG Capital, a subsidiary of AEG Aktiengesellschaft, will become an 80.1 percent shareholder in the company. AEG Aktiengesellschaft, an 80 percent subsidiary of Daimler-Benz AG, will guarantee the promissory notes to be issued to the general creditors.

Siliconix is a leading supplier of advanced semiconductor products for motor controls, power supplies, computer peripherals, telecommunications, instrumentation, and automotive systems. In business for 28 years, Siliconix is a publicly traded company on the NASDAQ board.

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SAN BRUNO, CA (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - National Insurance Group (NASDAQ/NMS:NAIG) and Weyerhaeuser Mortgage Co. Tuesday, Sept. 4, 1990, jointly announced that the National Insurance Group purchase of the Weyerhaeuser National Flood Check Division has been completed.

Pinnacle Data Corp. (a National Insurance Group subsidiary), purchased this Weyerhaeuser division so that Pinnacle Data Corp. would have capabilities to determine if properties located in any of the 50 U.S. states are located in Special Flood Hazard areas.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 4) BUISNESS WIRE - Valid (NASDAQ:VLID), a leading supplier of electronic design automation (EDA) systems and software, Tuesday announced that L. George Klaus has been named to the newly created position of president and chief operating officer, Klaus, who reports to Valid CEO and chairman W. Douglas Hajjar, will be responsible for day-to-day managment of the company's operating functions.

Klaus will also be a member of the company's board of directors.

''Valid's dramatic growth over the past few years has brought us to the size where we needed to expand our executive team,'' stated Hajjar.

''Running a $200 million company amid the rapidly evolving EDA market demands a balance between long range and day-to-day managment activities that is best achieved through the traditional CEO and COO structure common in other large electronics companies.

''George is a proven executive with a strong sales and marketing background. His experience in all facets of company operations will help us plan for and orchestrate our continued rapid growth.''

During the past 25 years,, Klaus has held many executive positions at Sytek, Amdahl, and Control Data Corp. After joining Sytek in 1983 as vice president of marketing and sales, his responsibilities expanded to include engineering in 1985.

In 1986 he was promoted to president and chief operating officer, and in 1988 also assumed the CEO responsibilites. After Sytek was acquried by Hughes Aircraft Co. last year, Klaus remained on board to assist in the merging of the management teams.

Prior to Sytek, Klaus worked three years as a vice president for Amdahl Corp. where he increased the company's federal and western regional revenues by over 50 percent. Klaus also spent 13 years at Control Data Corp. in a variety of sales, marketing and operations positions, including coprorate vice president for governemt systems marketing where he was responsible for annual revenues of over $300 million.

From his new post, Klaus sees tremendous opportunites for Valid. ''Valid is extremely well posiitoned,'' noted Klaus. ''We have no major integration issues facing us, our new products and framework technology are the best in the business, we have a strong customer base, solid financial backing and an exceptional group of employees.

''I'm looking forward to blending my experience with the team at Valid to help increase Valid's share of the EDA market.''

Klaus serves on the board of directors of the Corporation for Open Systems (COS) and is a member of the COS executive committee. He is a member of the American Electronics Association and the Association for Corporate Growth.

Valid is the world's second largest supplier of EDA systems, with 1989 revenues of $174 million. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports a full line of EDA solutions based on industry standard hardware, operating systems and networks. Valid products are used to develop electronic systems, including integrated circuits (ICs), application-specific ICs (ASICs), and printed circuit boards (PCBs).

Valid has sales and support operations in more than 40 locations worldwide. Valid coprorate headaquarters is located at 2820 Orchard Parkway, San Jose, Calif, 95134. Telephone: 408/432-9400.

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ALBUQUERQUE, NM (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Diagnostek Inc., a health services and pharmacy cost-containment company, announced it has filed an original Listing Application with the New York Stock Exchange Inc., for the listing of the company's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange.

At the same time, the company announced the appointment of E. Gerald Riesenbach of Philadelphia to the company's board of directors, replacing Richard Hatchett who had resigned.

Riesenbach is a senior partner in the Philadelphia law firm of Wolf, Block Schorr and Solis-Cohen.

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BOISE, ID (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Albertson's Inc. board of directors at their regular quarterly meeting on Sept. 4, 1990, declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.12 per share.

Warren E. McCain, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the Boise-based retail food-drug chain, said that the cash dividend will be payable on Nov. 25, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 9, 1990.

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A. Craig Olson, 208/385-6284

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - "The centerpiece of the '90s...began more than a decade ago. Some people think of it as the global village. I call it the global mind."

Speaking at the annual Labor Day conference of The National Association of State Telecommunications Directors, William T. Esrey, chairman and chief executive officer of United Telecommunications Inc., which owns U.S. Sprint, offered his vision of the near-term future of the telecommunications industry: a concept he calls "infonics," his name for the technological infrastructure he feels "will probably reshape the world."

Esrey may be best known as an architect. His own building blocks are fiber-optic cable and digital switches. His most acclaimed structure is arguably the most advanced long-distance network in the United States: the U.S. Sprint nationwide 100 percent fiber-optic, all-digital network.

He is now leading the company's strategic thrust into worldwide markets,

where he sees advancements in the telecommunications industry giving consumers unprecedented opportunities to demand new services from their long-distance carriers.

"If the main product of infonics is instant information, regardless of location, we can already see it busy today, shrinking time and space and rearranging the social structure supported by them," Esrey told the group.

"Look at what infonics is doing to the old notions of time and space as they relate to what we build. Infonics has made information a productive resource - like labor or land or materials or equipment."

According to Esrey, "In an advanced economy like ours, three out of four people work in the service sector overall - and more than half of those are connected in one way or another with the knowledge industry itself."

This situation, he noted, "has brought great pressures to bear on institutional frameworks - on regulatory and political bodies, and...monetary and trade policies." Esrey called on both telecommunications providers and their customers to join in a re-thinking of the traditional ways of using telecommunications.

He predicted that the global communications infrastructure, or "infonics," will demand entirely new approaches to the way people and organizations operate.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Federal Savings and Loan Association of San Francisco (NASDAQ:HFSF) Tuesday announced that the previously announced reorganization of Home Federal into the holding company form of ownership became effective on Aug. 31.

Under the reorganization, Home Federal has become the wholly owned subsidiary of Home Federal Financial Corp., San Francisco (''Home Financial'') and all issued and outstanding shares of Home Federal have been converted into shares of Home Federal Financial.

The NASDAQ trading symbol of Home Federal Financial's common stock will be ''HFSF,'' the same as it was for the stock of Home Federal.

Home Federal's President and Chief Executive Officer Stanley E. Bailey commented that ''many changes have occurred in the financial services

industry and the reorganization of Home Federal into the holding company form of ownership will provide greater flexibility than is currently enjoyed by Home Federal and its subsidiaries, including flexibility in management structure and diversification opportunities.''

Bailey further stated that ''although Home Federal Financial has no specific plans for diversification at this time, its strong capital position and high asset quality, combined with the Northern California economic base provides a secure foundation upon which to build our future.''

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - At a meeting of the board of directors of Pacific Enterprises held Sept. 4, 1990, a quarterly dividend of $1.1875, $1.125, $1.10, $1.09 and $1.91 per share on the $4.75, $4.50, $4.40, $4.36 and $7.64 dividend preferred stock, respectively, was declared payable Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 20, 1990.

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SANTA MONICA, CA. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - National Medical Enterprises Inc. (NYSE/PSE/LoSE:NME) Tuesday announced the promotion of Nita Puig-Heckendorn to executive vice president in charge of corporate strategic planning.

Heckendorn continues to oversee the company's overall strategic and financial planning.

Heckendorn, 47, joined NME in 1982 as director of corporate budget and performance review. In 1984, the company named her a corporate vice president, and in 1986 she became a senior vice president.

Prior to joining NME, she served as director of reimbursement and financial review for Beverly Enterprises and vice president of domestic and international development for American Medical International (AMI). In that position, she also served on the board of directors for AMI's Hospital Quiron in Barcelona, Spain.

She previously worked as director of operations of Shea Enterprises, a

privately held skilled nursing facilities and retirement centers company.

A native of Valencia, Spain, Heckendorn graduated in 1963 from the Universidad Central de Venezuela with a bachelor of science degree in business administration with an emphasis in finance. Her memberships include the Health Care Financial Management Association.

National Medical Enterprises, one of the nation's largest health care services companies owns, operates and manages acute, psychiatric and physical rehabilitation hospitals and substance abuse treatment centers throughout the United States and internationally. -0-

NOTE TO EDITORS: Heckendorn resides in San Marino, Calif. with her husband. They have three children.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - American Express Travel Related Services Tuesday announced that the company will place Airline Computerized Ticketing's electronic ticketing machines in its prime corporate sites.

According to Joanne Stewart, chief executive officer of ACT, the move by AmEx/Eastern Region makes the company the first to install the Orange County-based firm's revolutionary airline self-ticketing machines.

''American Express has always been at the forefront in developing sophisticated technology to assist our clients,'' said James Yasinski, vice president of Business Travel Operations, Eastern Region. ''We have been testing this product since 1989 and we're delighted that the first installations on customer premises will take place within our Eastern Region,'' he said.

The ''ACT ETMs'' provide a computerized airline self-ticketing network that allows travellers to electronically receive airline tickets, boarding passes and itineraries in 25 seconds from anywhere in the country and to be able to make last-minute, trouble-free changes around the clock.

Commented Jim Thompson, vice president of Facilities and Automation, ''The ACT ETMs are a tool that move American Express into a whole new generation of customer-service technology.''

Stewart will discuss her self-ticketing network on Sept. 5 at 11:45 a.m.

at Travel Weekly's Focus on Automation show at the San Francisco Marriott.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - International Microelectronic Products Inc. (IMP) (NASDAQ:IMPX) announced Tuesday that it expects a significant loss in the second fiscal quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reports that its anticipated loss will be due primarily to a softening of demand resulting from excess inventory among key customers and weakness in certain segments of the ROM market.

''IMP, along with the semiconductor industry in general, is experiencing the downturn market analysts predicted for the second half of 1990,'' said Barry Carrington, president and chief executive officer. ''Rigorous cost-control programs are in place and will remain in effect until market conditions improve.

''IMP's balance sheet is solid and we have a strong cash position,'' he said. ''We are encouraged by the high level of customer interest in our new filter product family and will continue to aggressively pursue the development of these and other new products.''

In an unrelated action, IMP announced that its interest in its European affiliate has been sold to a large West German industrial corporation.

IMP designs and manufactures application-specific integrated circuits (ASICs) and application-specific standard products (ASSPs). The company uses its proprietary cell-based design methods and CMOS process technologies to supply value-added mixed analog/digital and complex digital chips to customers, primarily in the computer peripheral and computer markets.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Gerald D. Murphy, chairman of the board of ERLY Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:ERLY), announced Tuesday that the

board of directors had authorized the issuance of a 10 percent stock dividend to all shareholders of record as of Aug. 24, 1990, with the distribution of shares to be made Sept. 17, 1990.

Murphy stated that the 10 percent stock dividend is a continuation of the company's dividend policy instituted in 1986.

Murphy also stated, ''Sales in our Comet Rice subsidiary continue to be strong despite the uncertain conditions in the Middle East. In addition, our Chemonics subsidiary is having an excellent second quarter as a result of numerous forest fires in the Western United States.''

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MONETT, MO (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Jack Henry & Associates Inc. (NASDAQ:JKHY) announced Tuesday that Judith Wormington has submitted her resignation effective Sept. 30, 1990, from her various offices which include chief financial officer, vice president - controller, secretary and treasurer and has declined to stand for re-election to the board of directors.

Wormington has indicated that her decision was motivated by her desire to devote more time to family and personal pursuits during the near-term.

Jack Henry & Associates Inc. markets, installs, and supports integrated data processing software systems for banks and financial institutions. The company's software systems have been installed at more than 600 banks throughout the United States.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The federal government Tuesday announced that an agreement in principle has been reached with AVX Corp. (AVX) of New York, N.Y., a major defendant in the New Bedford (Mass.) Harbor Superfund litigation.

The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) stated that, under the terms of the settlement, AVX will pay $66 million to the United States, on behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and to the commonwealth of

Massachusetts.

The money paid by AVX to the United States and the commonwealth of Massachusetts will be used toward: (1) funding cleanup of the widespread polychlorinated biphenyl (PSB) contamination of New Bedford Harbor, (2) restoring injured natural resources of the harbor area and (3) reimbursing funds that the respective governments have already spent in enforcement, remedial investigation, feasibility studies and natural resource damage assessment costs.

The amount to be paid by AVX could increase if the total cleanup cost at New Bedford Harbor exceeds $130.5 million, if new information emerges or if currently unknown conditions present new problems at the site.

The formal settlement papers, embodied in a consent decree, are to be negotiated by AVX with DOJ, EPA, NOAA and the commonwealth of Massachusetts within one month. The consent decree, once filed with the U.S. District Court in Boston, will be open to public comment and subject to approval by the court.

The $66 million payment will represent one of the largest settlements by a single defendant in the 10-year history of Superfund.

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Amy Casner, 202/514-2007

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ROSEMONT, IL (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Covia Tuesday announced Premier Meetings, a new service enabling travel agencies to offer corporate customers a full range of meeting planning support and management expertise -- at no cost to the agency.

Covia, whose Apollo reservation system is the most advanced in the travel industry, is the first travel distribution company to enter the meeting planning business with a comprehensive product. The service is available today.

''Premier Meetings capitalizes on our knowledge of travel and our expertise in providing solutions to help agencies satisfy their customers '' said Paul Blackney, Covia president and chief executive officer.''

''It represents both a revenue-generating opportunity and a value-added service that any agency, large or small, can use to grow existing corporate business and attract new accounts.''

Agencies are not charged for using Premier Meetings, but benefit from

revenues created by meeting-related travel arrangements and ticketing. Premier Meetings does not issue airline tickets. It derives income from a management fee charged to clients.

''Premier Meetings gives smaller agencies a chance to expand the range of services they offer without hiring additional staff or investing in new resources,'' said Scott Raine, Covia general manager of Premier Meetings.

''Larger agencies that already have meeting or incentive divisions can draw on Premier Meetings' expertise for supplemental support. For example, they might only want help with on-site meeting management or installation of a bank of computers.''

Premier Meetings can handle all elements of the meeting planning process, from establishing the meeting objectives to selecting the meeting site, from audio-visual support to actual on-site management.

''We are essentially a 'one-stop shop' for anyone who needs help with meeting planning activities of any sort,'' Raine said. ''We have a dedicated staff of professionals ready to enter the planning process at an early stage, help draw up a project plan, then implement any or all phases of the plan until the meeting is completed successfully.''

Premier Meetings will be marketed primarily through travel agencies but is also offered directly to corporations and events planning firms.

Covia is owned by United Airlines, USAir, British Airways, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, Swissair, Alitalia and Air Canada.

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SANTA CLARA, Calif. (SEPT 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Materials Inc. Tuesday announced the signing in early August of a new joint development program with South Korean electronics giant, Samsung Electronics Co., that will focus resources from both companies toward advanced plasma etch process development and production support using Applied Materials' Precision 5000 Etch system.

The agreement follows an earlier joint development program between the two companies, announced in May 1990, that involved chemical vapor deposition (CVD) process development with Samsung's Kiheung Research and Development Center.

The latest agreement is aimed at meeting Samsung's current and future

requirements in production fabs, and covers virtually all of Applied Materials' etch technologies, including single-crystal silicon, polysilicon, tungsten silicide and silicon oxide etching applications, particularly for 200mm wafers. ''Samsung is pleased to be joining its talents with those of Applied Materials in this extremely advanced, half-micron etch process development program,'' said Dr. J.S Lim, director of Kiheung Factory. ''Our earlier agreements have laid the groundwork for a very close cooperation with Applied Materials, which we believe will benefit both companies.''

''This agreement between the two companies represents a growing trend between the most advanced semiconductor manufacturers, such as Samsung, and suppliers of production equipment to bring together their talents to achieve hardware and process goals that will forge new directions into the future,'' said Dr. David N.K. Wang, vice president and general manager of Applied CVD and Etch Technologies (ACET) Division at Applied Materials. Wang and Lim will manage the program as ranking members of a committee composed of high-level Samsung and Applied Materials technical staff.

Under the agreement, Samsung will send process engineers to Applied Materials' Santa Clara facilities for advanced oxide and polysilicon process development and training on the Precision 5000 Etch system. Samsung engineers will also work with Applied Materials' personnel to evaluate and standardize ultra-clean hardware enhancements for Precision 5000 systems to be installed at Samsung in early 1991.

In addition to the Santa Clara facility, Applied Materials Japan (AMJ) will also be involved in development of hardware and software that will be provided to Samsung.

As part of the joint agreement, Applied Materials will develop new training programs for Samsung personnel, to include process and maintenance support of Applied Materials' advanced Etch and CVD equipment, thus achieving greater self-sufficiency and more economical maintenance procedures for Samsung.

Applied Materials Inc. is a global growth company based in Santa Clara, and is the leading independent supplier of wafer fabrication systems to the worldwide semiconductor industry. It is a market leader in chemical vapor deposition (CVD), dry plasma etching and silicon deposition.

The company is also a leading manufacturer of ion implantation systems and recently launched its entry into the physical vapor deposition (PVD) market.

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STOCKTON, CA (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - California Financial Holding Co. (NASDAQ:CFHC) completed a senior debt financing with the Chase Manhattan Bank (National Association) as the lender on Aug. 31.

The loan amount was $25 million, and the company has the option to borrow an addition $5 million from Chase at any time prior to Feb. 28, 1991.

The proceeds of the loan were concurrently advanced by the company to its wholly owned, second-tier subsidiary, Stockton Service Corp., in order to permit Stockton Service Corp. to repay borrowings from Stockton Savings Bank, FSB.

This refinancing enables Stockton Savings Bank to meet its regulatory capital requirements by reducing the amount of its investment in Stockton Service Corp. The company anticipates that, as a result of the refinancing and the Savings Bank's improved regulatory capital position, the Savings Bank will no longer be subject to regulatory restrictions relating to its capital position.

The proceeds of the loan will be used by Stockton Savings in its normal course of business.

The loan matures Oct. 31, 1993, subject to prepayment, in whole or in part at any time at the option of the company. The loan is secured by a pledge by the company to Chase of its interest in the common stock of the Savings Bank and Stockton Service Corp.'s note to the company representing the relending of the loan proceeds to Stockton Service Corp.

The Stockton Service Corp. note is secured by a deed of trust in favor of the company and has been assigned to Chase. The loan agreement imposes certain conditions and restrictions on the company and its subsidiaries.

Established in 1887, Stockton Savings Bank, FSB offers a full range of financial services at 23 branches located throughout the Central San Joaquin Valley and the Sierra Foothills.

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AUSTIN, Texas (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Communications Transmission Inc. (NASDAQ:CTIA) Tuesday announced that it received a $15.2 million cash

payment from Metromedia/ITT for early termination of an analog lease agreement.

This was CTI's last remaining analog contract. Monthly revenue from this contract approximated $871,000. All of the contract-related equipment had been previously written down. Metromedia remains a substantial and valued customer of CTI for digital services.

Proceeds of the contract settlement will be used for working capital and to repay long-term debt.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT 4) BUSINESS WIRE - S. A. Megeath, III Tuesday announced his resignation from the board of directors of PLM International Inc. (ASE:PLM) of San Francisco, which he tendered to the company Monday, Sept. 3, 1990.

In his resignation letter, Megeath, 44, cited intense disagreement with the board of directors over the company's operations, policies and practices and his unwillingness to accept what he views as significant deviation from sound and responsible management and fiduciary standards.

Megeath said the board made it impossible for him to fulfill his responsibility to the shareholders by depriving him of information necessary to the fulfillment of his duties as a director. He cited the company's management directors and especially Robert Tidball, PLM International's president and chief executive officer, who has served in this capacity since March 9, 1989.

Megeath said this situation became critical during the past week when the board removed him from all of his positions in the company, except his directorship, including his positions as chairman of the board of directors, chairman of the executive committee of the board and a member of the audit committee.

Megeath served in those capacities from Oct. 14, 1988 until Aug. 29, 1990. Megeath became chairman of PLM International immediately after Mark C. Hungerford resigned under pressure brought by all of the then outside directors, for what PLM International described in an SEC filing, dated March 16, 1989 as a misappropriation of company property by him and Transcisco Industries, Inc.

Hungerford is the chief executive and controlling stockholder of Transcisco. Transcisco owns 36 percent of the common stock of PLM International.

Megeath is and has since 1985 been the managing general partner of LEF&C Partners of Carson City, Nev., which is engaged in corporate strategic and advisory services, risk capital and investments.

From 1979 through 1985, he was chief executive officer of LEF&C Corp. of San Francisco, a diversified company with investments in rail transportation, including ownership of the Lake Erie, Franklin and Clarion Railroad railroad equipment leasing, natural resources, real estate and securities.

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IRVINE, Calif. (SEPT 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Logic Research Inc. (ALR) (NASDAQ:AALR) announced a price reduction on its award-winning PowerFlex 286-based PC made effective Tuesday.

The PowerFlex base Model 1 starts at $995. The PowerFlex Model 40 now lists for $1,295, a 14 percent price reduction.

In conjunction with Tuesday's announcement, ALR has announced the SX PowerFlex 16-MHz 386SX-based PCs starting at $1,195.

The SX PowerFlex Model 40 includes 1MB of RAM expandable to 5MB on the system board, and is expandable to 16MB RAM with expansion
28 ms) hard disk drive, 1:1 IDE controller, 1.44MB 3.5-inch floppy disk drive, one serial port, one parallel port, 101-key enhanced keyboard, and retails for $1,495.

All PowerFlex models meet FCC class B certification and are tested for UL and CSA. The SX PowerFlex can be easily upgraded to 20MHz SX and 25MHz i486 with the standard PowerFlex upgrade modules.

Dave Kirkey, vice president of worldwide marketing at ALR, states, ''The PowerFlex products have been well accepted worldwide for their competitive price and with our increased production volumes, lower cost of materials and increased manufacturing capabilities, we are able to bring these savings to the customer.''

Kirkey goes on to say, ''Although the PowerFlex is competitively priced, our customers have quickly picked up on ALR's affordable upgrade designs and claim this as a key reason for choosing the PowerFlex system.''

Phil Ellet, executive vice president, Gates/FA comments, ''The PowerFlex has been a best seller here at Gates/FA and this price reduction will maintain the ALR competitive edge.''

Chip Lacy, chairman and chief executive officer at Ingram Micro D adds, ''ALR's PowerFlex machines have sold well in the small-business, home-office and educational markets. These significant price reductions offer our resellers a tremendous opportunity to increase sales to those arenas.''

The PowerFlex upgrade path is the most affordable and sensible design for the user to increase the performance of a microcomputer. The PowerFlex levels of upgrade include ALR's 386SX module with a retail proce of $395. ALR's 386SX-20 Module with 32KB cache retails for $595 and ALR's i486/25 Module retails for only $1,995.

ALR currently is offering customers an incentive of almost 50 percent off the suggested list price of the PowerFlex 386SX Module, bringing the cost to upgrade to only $199. Full details are available from ALR.

The PowerFlex and SX PowerFlex are currently available nationwide from Ingram Micro D, Merisel, Gates/FA and authorized ALR resellers.

Advanced Logic Research is a leader in high-performance CPU technology. The company carries the most comprehensive line of ISA-, Micro Channel- and EISA-based PCs and upgradeable PCs ranging from entry-level 12.5-MHz 286 computers to 33-MHz 386, 25-MHz and 33-MHz i486-based high-performance systems and multiprocessor systems based on UNIX and Novell.

ALR products can be purchased through value-added resellers, value-added dealers, major chains and retail locations throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Mexico, Latin America and Asia.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - MERET Optical Communications Inc., an Amoco Co., specializing in the design and manufacture of fiber optic communication systems, introduces a new, low-cost fiber optic product line intended for use in commercial and industrial Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) and Access Control, under the name ''SecureLink.''

The SecureLink product line features a wide variety of solutions for such applications as surveillance and security; process control and monitoring, teleconferencing, and radar remoting: transmission of high-quality video for multi-camera installations; data links for pan; tilt and zoom control; and audio transmission for intercom communications -- at distances to 20 kilometers and beyond.

Packaging options range from transmitters mounted in the camera housing itself, and stand-alone units, to complete rack-mountable, multichannel chassis.

Several SecureLink models feature the multiplexing of video, audio, and data signals using Field Division Multiplexing (FDM), Time Division Multiplexing (TDM) or Wavelength Division Multiplexing (WDM) techniques over a single fiber. Loss budgets up to -40 dB provides for long-distance runs, multiple drops and splits.

MERET has been designing and manufacturing fiber optic links for CCTV and Access Control systems since 1972 and has extensive experience in both the commercial and military security systems markets.

The technical expertise gained by adhering to strict military standards of quality and performance has brought about SecureLink products' reliability in critical applications, application diversity and moderate pricing.

Established in 1971, MERET designs, manufactures and distributes fiber optic video and data communications systems for high-resolution computer graphics, medical imaging, HDTV, teleconferencing, flight simulation, industrial automation and control, military communications, C3I and CCTV.

MERET specializes in wideband analog fiber-optic systems and has developed a sophisticated variety of modulation schemes, components and custom-designed hybrid electronics to satisfy almost any system requirement.

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WALLINGFORD, CONN. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: NMTXE) Tuesday announced that it has received a purchase order for the company's pulse oximeters from a leading teaching hospital at a major east coast university.

The purchase order is valued in excess of $200,000 and is the company's single largest purchase order for oximetry products.

The company stated that revenues from the order will be recognized in the second quarter of the current fiscal year ending April 28, 1991.

Commenting on the announcement, William J. LaCourciere, president and chief operating officer of NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC., stated, ''We are extremely pleased to announce this purchase order. Our Model 515A pulse oximeter was selected due to the product's superior performance over several competing monitors. In addition, the ''Y-sensor'', our proprietary reusable sensor, will provide the hospital with estimated savings of $100,000 per year.''

NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. is a leading designer, developer, manufacturer and marketer of medical electronic instruments which non-invasively and continuously assess a critically ill patient's oxygen and carbon dioxide status. The company's products are primarily used in operating rooms, intensive care units and respiratory therapy departments.

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BREA, CA (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The First American Financial Corp. announced Tuesday it had purchased the realty tax services division of Metropolitan Realty Services Group, a New York-based company, according to Executive Vice President Parker S. Kennedy.

The acquisition, for cash and assumption of debt, was made through First American Real Estate Tax Service Inc.

Present Metropolitan staff, including President John W. Long, will be retained and Long will serve as First American Real Estate Tax Service's eastern regional vice president and director of marketing. Other terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

The acquisition will increase First American's level of service in the

Northeast. Metropolitan's computer system was developed specifically to handle the complexity of tax service in the Northeast and will be integrated with First American's extensive mainframe capabilities.

The company is now nationwide, providing lending institutions with information regarding property-tax payments on mortgage properties in all 50 states and Washington D.C. If property taxes are delinquent, mortgage investments can be lost through forced sale of the properties.

''The acquisition will give First American additional customer support in the East, while backing it with the capital resources, increased technology and computer systems capacity to assure the highest level of tax service,'' said Wayne M. Booth, president of First American Real Estate Tax Service.

''For customers in that area, this means a full range of tax reporting, payment and on-line services area available, as well as all the significant benefits of our customer-support program.''

First American Real Estate Tax Service is based in Brea with branch offices in key locations nationwide. The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of First American Title Insurance Co., one of the oldest and largest title insurers in the nation. First American Financial is the parent company of both.

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SANTA ANA, CALIF. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Tokos Medical Corp. (Delaware) (NASDAQ:TKOS) announced Tuesday that it has acquired Physiologic Diagnostic Service Inc. (''PDS'') of Atlanta.

The transaction was consummated after the Federal Trade Commission closed its investigation into the transaction late in the afternoon on Friday, Aug. 31.

Tokos acquired all of the outstanding shares of PDS in exchange for approximately 2.7 million shares of Tokos common stock. The acquisition will be accounted for as a pooling of interests.

PDS, which is now a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tokos, provides home uterine activity monitoring and perinatal nursing services for pregnant women at high risk of preterm labor along with other specialized services for pediatrics.

Tokos is the leading provider of specialized home health care services to the obstetric and gynecologic market. Tokos pioneered the development and commercialization of home uterine activity monitoring, perinatal nursing and other specialized home care services for women.

Robert F. Byrnes, Tokos' chairman and chief executive officer, stated ''This transaction is very meaningful to Tokos and its shareholders. It will give us impetus for future growth, enable us to expand the approved FDA indications for our home uterine activity monitors and enhance our ability to obtain broader reimbursement coverage of our preterm labor management services.''

Jeffrey D. Koepsell, president of PDS, concurs ''This merger will strengthen Tokos' clear leadership position through integrating our sales, marketing, research and regulatory functions.

''Just as importantly, through this combination an even stronger company will emerge that will accelerate our role in reducing the tremendous human and financial costs associated with preterm births -- a goal both of our companies have shared since their inception.''

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BELLEVUE, WASH. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Esterline Corporation (NYSE) today reported net earnings of $5.5 million, or $.83 per share, on sales of $294.7 million for the first nine months (ended July 31) of the company's current fiscal year.

Comparable earnings in the same period last year were $6.3 million, or $.74 per share based on the 8.5 million shares then outstanding, (now 6.6 million shares as a result of the repurchase of shares from a former major shareholder in September 1989). Net earnings for the first nine months of fiscal 1989 were $6.7 million, or $.78 per share, including an extraordinary item of $376,000, or $.04 per share, from an operating loss carryforward tax benefit. Sales were $209.6 million.

Fiscal 1990 sales and net earnings include the effects of six former Criton Technologies' companies acquired in September 1989. Earnings also reflect $13.4 million in year-to-date interest expense, primarily on financing for the acquisition and shares repurchase. Interest expense was $1.5 million in the same period last year.

Fiscal 1990 third quarter net earnings were $1.7 million, or $.25 per share, compared with the year-ago quarter's $2.5 million, or $.29 per

share on the shares then outstanding. The $1.7 million compares with $2 million net earnings in the immediately preceding quarter -- a period that also includes results of the former Criton companies.

Sales for the third quarter were $92 million compared to the pre-acquisition $67.4 million reported in the same quarter last year. Backlog at the end of the third quarter remained stable with the immediately preceding quarter at $116 million. The pre-aquisition backlog at the end of last year's third quarter was $69 million.

Wendell P. Hurlbut, Esterline's president and chief executive officer, said ''... the company's third quarter sales level reflects the prevailing softness in the company's traditional markets. The resulting lower earnings from our operations serving these markets are in contrast to the continuing strong performance from the acquired former Criton companies.''

Esterline is a leading manufacturer of automation equipment for the production of printed circuit boards and metal fabrication, instrumentation for quality control, power measurement and process control and engineered products for the commercial aircraft, aerospace and defense industries.

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BOULDER, CO (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Netwise Inc. Monday announced a broadening of its product offerings by adding remote procedure call (RPC) support for IBM mainframes and Macintoshes, as well as an analysis and debugging tool for developing RPC-based applications.

The Netwise Mainframe RPC package integrates IBM mainframes with workstations and minicomputers. Mainframe RPC builds a cultural compatibility between COBOL programmers on mainframes and C programmers on PCs, minicomputers and workstations, by allowing both groups of programmers to continue working in their native programming environments while developing client/server applications.

Mainframe RPC is available for IBM or compatible mainframes with MVS architecture, CICS and VTAM. It can be used with the following other platforms: PCs running the DCA/Microsoft Select Communications Server or Workstation, PCs running IBM OS/2 Extended Edition (both of which include APPC/LU6.2 network software); Sun3/Sun4 architecture running SunOS with SunLink SNA Peer-to-Peer; and DEC VAX architecture running VMS and DECnet/SNA VMS APPC/LU6.2.

The debut of the Netwise RPC TOOL for the Macintosh on TCP/IP networks marks the first time remote procedure call technology has been available for Apple platforms. RPC TOOL for Macintosh supports Macintosh System 6.0 system software or higher, and Symantec Corp.'s C development environment, THINK C, version 4.0.

The Macintosh RPC TOOL allows Mac applications to interoperate transparently across a TCP/IP network with applications running on diverse systems, including DEC VAX machines running VMS and Ultrix, PCs running DOS and OS/2, Sun workstations, Unisys, Hewlett-Packard, and Data General hardware, and many other systems running UNIX variations.

The RPC Monitor is a graphical analysis tool that complements the RPC TOOL product line by allowing developers to manage and debug RPC-based applications. The new product facilitates programming, debugging and maintenance of client/server applications on multi-vendor networks.

The RPC Monitor consists of a user-driven graphical display of client and server interaction. Running in the Microsoft Windows 3.0 environment, the Monitor displays icons representing clients and servers -- components that make up a distributed application -- and shows the creation and cancellation of connections between them.

Based in Boulder, Netwise is the leading independent software company producing advanced products that simplify development of integrated processing solutions. The company provides the widest availabiltiy of RPC-based products for most popular hardware, operating system and networking platforms.

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MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Sept. 3, 1990, The board of Amcor Limited, Australia's leading paper and packaging group, announced today that audited net operating profit of Amcor, on an equity accounted basis, was A$181 million for the year ended June 30, 1990, compared with A$151 million for 1988-89, and increase of 20 percent.

Equity profit before interest and tax rose from A$348 million last year to A$442 million in 1989-90, an increase of 27 percent, while profit before tax was A$268 million compared with A$239 million in 1988-89, a rise of 12 percent.

Equity earnings per share were 41.5 cents, compared with 40 cents last year.

Sales value for the Amcor Group, including an appropriate share of the sales of associated companies, was 25 percent higher at A$4,373 million (A$3,499 million).

A notable development in 1989-90 was that 29 percent of Amcor's sales and 17 percent of profit before interest and tax were generated outside Australia. A schedule showing segmental results is attached. Detailed comments on the year's results are included later in this statement.

Directors have declared an unchanged final dividend of 14 Australian cents per share, totaling 27 cents for the year, versus 26.5 cents last year (65 percent franked, versus 90 percent last year). The lower franking percentage this year reflects the reduction in tax paid (and hence the ability to frank dividends) resulting primarily from the tax depreciation claimable on our major investment program of the past few years.

The company will mail the final dividend on Oct. 17, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 25, 1990.

Trading conditions in 1989-90 were the most difficult for many years, particularly in Australia where there was a progressive slow-down in economic activity during the year.

In Australia, the difficulties for manufacturing companies like Amcor were compounded by the Federal Government's excessive reliance on monetary policy to control the economy.

The recent renewed rise in the value of the Australian dollar to unrealistically high levels penalises exporters while encouraging import competition. Simultaneously high interest rates inhibit growth in the domestic market.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - International Lease Finance Corp. (ILFC) and Aeronautical Support Inc. (ASI), based in Deerfield Beach, Fla., jointly announced Tuesday that ILFC has agreed to purchase a 19.5 percent shareholding in ASI.

ILFC, a major owner/lessor of commercial jet aircraft with assets of nearly $4 billion, is a wholly owned subsidiary of American International Group (NYSE:AIG).

Aeronautical Support is a supplier and lessor of commercial aircraft spare parts, equipment and aircraft engines and is a privately owned Florida corporation with annual sales of $9 million.

Louis L. Gonda, executive vice president of ILFC said, ''Demand for the leasing and sale of spares to our growing worldwide airline customers is becoming increasingly important and profitable and complements ILFC's leasing activities of new technology aircraft to airlines on all continents.''

Bruce Agardy, president of ASI, emphasized, ''The association with ILFC, one of the world's great owners/lessors of jets, significantly broadens our potential airline customer base for supply and leasing of commercial aircraft parts.''

Agardy added, ''Through ILFC's resources ASI can obtain valuable and high demand aircraft parts inventories, such as ILFC's recent agreement to sell ASI more than $10 million of former Singapore Airlines Boeing 757-200 spare parts.''

Gonda pointed out, ''Through the investment in ASI, ILFC need not set up its own labor and logistics intensive spare parts leasing organization, but can channel that business profitably to ASI, which has full capabilities in house to service global airline spare parts requirements.''

The transaction is expected to be consummated during September, both companies said.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Zfax Image Corp. (NASDAQ:ZFAXF) Tuesday announced that it has opened a second retail store dedicated to the sale of facsimile machines and complementary products.

Named ZFAX, the store is located at 131-106th N.E. in Bellevue, Washington. The company also operates a retail facsimile operation in Dallas.

ZFAX is currently completing development of a portable, lightweight, 9600

baud facsimile machine, the PF4003, which will be marketed at its two retail locations this fall and through national distribution.

According to Harmon Hardy, chief executive officer of ZFAX, ''We look forward to becoming the source in the Seattle area for the facsimile needs of local businesses and individuals. Plans are in process for the opening of additional ZFAX stores in the near future.''

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Adobe Systems (NASDAQ:ADBE) Tuesday announced the signing of a letter of intent with Apple Computer Inc. to reach a new and expanded technology licensing agreement.

Under the terms of the agreement, the two companies plan to continue to work together to provide new products based on Adobe's PostScript software and printer technology developed by Apple Computer.

''Adobe and Apple have together achieved success in providing users with innovative PostScript software products; printers, such as the Apple LaserWriters, and PostScript language applications such as Adobe Illustrator and Adobe Photoshop.

''We are confident that the strengthening of the relationship between Adobe and Apple will lead to additional innovative products in the future '' said John Warnock, chairman and chief executive officer, Adobe Systems Inc.

''Continuing to work closely with excellent third-party vendors such as Adobe has many benefits for Macintosh customers,'' said Randy Battat, vice president of product marketing, Apple Computer Inc.

''Together we can offer customers the proven benefits of Adobe's PostScript software, and Apple can add value through new technologies such as TrueType font format. Apple remains committed to TrueType and will work closely with Adobe to guarantee that all of our common customers' current investments in hardware and software will be protected and

enhanced in the future.''

Adobe Systems Inc., founded in 1982, is headquartered in Mountain View, Calif.

Adobe is the developer of PostScript, the industry-standard page description language for electronic printing and publishing and Display PostScript, a device-independent graphics software component for computer displays. In addition, the company develops and markets a line of application software products. Revenues for 1989 were more than $120 million.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Valisys Corp. Tuesday announced support for the Dimensional Measuring Interface Specification (DMIS).

Valisys will support both an interactive and batch version of DMIS.

DMIS is a specification for a standard interface through which CAD systems and dimensional measuring equipment, such as coordinate measuring machines (CMMs), can communicate. The Valisys support for DMIS will allow DMIS users to take advantage of the full set of Valisys capabilities, including design verification and inspection programming, while maintaining continued use of DMIS functionality.

''DMIS support provides advantages to both CMM vendors and Valisys end users,'' said John J. Clancy, president of Valisys. ''CMM vendors can now provide Valisys compatibility more easily than ever before. Valisys end users, with DMIS already implemented, can maintain continued use of DMIS functionality independent of Valisys. The result will be more efficient use of current investments.''

For interactive DMIS support, Valisys has authored and released a ''simplified'' interactive DMIS specification. This specification defines the communications protocol and error processing needed to run CMMs in a real-time, interactive mode.

For batch DMIS support, Valisys has defined and implemented a subset of the BATCH DMIS 2.1 specification, which defines the commands that drive the CMM to move and measure, report measured data, define part geometry, rotate tables, and execute tool change. Support of these commands by any CMM manufacturer will provide complete compatibility with Valisys

technology.

For full-function DMIS support, Valisys has contracted with TechTran Inc. (Port Richey, Fla.) to develop the functional specifications for translating the entire Valisys database into its equivalent DMIS 2.1 commands.

Valisys Corp. develops Valisys software, and provides customer support and consulting services. Valisys is a set of interconnectable software modules spanning design engineering, manufacturing engineering, quality assurance, production and inspection.

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CINCINNATI (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Cincinnati Bell Inc. (NYSE:CSN) announced Tuesday it has acquired Ameritel Corp., a business-to-business telemarketing firm.

Ameritel is a privately held corporation based in Neenah, Wis. It will operate as part of the Business Division of MATRIXX Marketing Inc., Cincinnati Bell Inc.'s telemarketing and marketing related services subsidiary.

Ameritel specializes in providing full account management services and business-to-business telemarketing primarily for consumer product firms. The present management of Ameritel will remain with the firm. The terms of the agreement were not disclosed and the transaction will not have a material effect on Cincinnati Bell Inc.

MATRIXX is a wholly owned subsidiary of Cincinnati Bell Inc. operating in the U.S. and Europe. In addition to the Business Division, MATRIXX Marketing operates three other divisions -- the Consumer and Research Divisions and MATRIXX Marketing Europe.

MATRIXX services include business-to-consumer and business-to-business telemarketing, consulting, direct mail, fulfillment, database management, and marketing research.

Cincinnati Bell Inc. supplies telecommunications, information management, telemarketing and related marketing services. Product lines include information systems development, data processing and systems consulting, software development, discount long distance telecommunications, market research, electronic database services, telecommunications equipment supply and repair.

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LOUISVILLE, KY. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Amid growing national energy and environmental concerns, a national pioneer in energy efficient lighting announced Tuesday that it is accelerating development of third generation electronic fluorescent ballast technology from research to production status.

Thomas R. Fuller, president and chief executive officer of Thomas Industries Inc. (NYSE:TII), said energy-driven factors prompted this accelerated emphasis. Among them are the expanded energy focus resulting from the Iraq-Kuwait situation, acid rain legislation and utility incentives for energy efficient lighting.

Fluorescent lighting fixtures regulated by Thomas All-Electronic Ballasts cut energy consumption as much as 20 to 40 percent. Some applications of Thomas third generation technology being introduced in early 1991 offer 60 percent savings.

Federal reports attribute to lighting (a) 20 to 25 percent of all national electrical consumption and (b) two-fifths of commercial buildings' electrical use.

''America has the technology to avoid becoming an energy hostage,'' Fuller said. ''We've expanded our research and engineering teams. Effective immediately, we're assigning top priority to bringing third generation microchip technology out of the laboratory and into the marketplace in our lighting equipment.''

Thomas said it expects to introduce some third generation ballasts within 120 days. The ballasts are part of a new line of energy saving lighting fixtures, ballasts, dimming devices and other items to be introduced over the next 22 months.

Fuller said a $93 million acquisition in 1989 dramatically enhanced the ability to produce energy efficient lighting products that were under development for several years.

''Upon acquiring Day-Brite Lighting in May 1989, we began planning the production and marketing of expanded lines of energy efficient lighting products under the Day-Brite label as well as our long-standing Benjamin line,'' he said. ''We've accelerated production schedules at both the

Day-Brite plant in Tupelo, Miss., and our Benjamin facility in Sparta, Tenn.''

Energy efficient products account for a portion of Thomas Industries revenues that will approach $500 million in 1990. Thomas Industries designs and manufactures a broad array of commercial, industrial and residential lighting products, fractional horsepower compressors and vacuum pumps, as well as specialty products for commercial, industrial and consumer markets. The company has operations in the U.S., Canada, Europe and Asia.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Sanifill Inc. has completed five acquisitions, four which were previously announced in July and August as letters of intent.

One is a special waste site which receives nonhazardous industrial waste and is located in California. One is a special waste site which receives nonhazardous oilfield waste and is located in Louisiana. Three are nonhazardous construction/demolition landfills and are located in Arizona, Georgia and Virginia.

Four of the transactions will be accounted for as poolings-of-interest and the other is a purchase of net assets. The unaudited combined revenues of the four poolings of interest acquisitions were approximately $10 million for their most recent fiscal years-end and revenues for the purchase transaction were approximately $3 million.

Consideration in these transactions consisted of approximately 1,785,000 shares of Sanifill common stock and approximately $1 million in cash.

In addition, Sanifill has entered into an agreement to operate the asbestos monofill closed into excrow in July 1990 pending resolution of the condition precedent to final closing. Further, Sanifill has entered into a joint venture to operate a newly permitted construction/demolition landfill in its Southeast Region.

Sanifill Inc., headquartered in Houston, is an environmental services company specializing in nonhazardous waste disposal.

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ENFIELD, CONN. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Dairy Mart Convenience Stores Inc. (NASDAQ:DMCVA and DMCVB) reports results for the second quarter and the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990.

Sales for the second quarter were $211,575,000 as compared with $196,973,000 for the second quarter of the previous year. Net income was $1,874,000 as compared with $1,624,000 for the same quarter last year, a 15 percent increase. On a per share basis earnings were 44 cents per share as compared with 37 cents per share for the second quarter last year.

For the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990, sales were $398,313,000 as compared with $367,873,000 for the prior year six months, an 8 percent increase in sales. Net income for the six months was $2,108,000 as compared with a net income for the previous six months of $308,000 (previous year pre-tax income had an $800,000 nonrecurring charge). On a per share basis net income was 50 cents as compared with a net income of 7 cents for the previous year six months.

Dairy Mart Convenience Stores Inc.
Financial Highlights

	For the Two Fiscal Quarters Ended		For the Second Fiscal Quarter Ended	
	August 4 1990	July 29 1989	August 4 1990	July 29 1989
	(In Thousands, except per share amounts)			
Sales, incl. franchises	$398,313	$367,873	$211,575	$196,973
Revenues	$286,840	$267,854	$152,885	$142,845
Nonrecurring item	$ --	$ (800)	$ --	$ --
Income before income taxes	$ 3,636	$ 531	$ 3,229	$ 2,800
Net income	$ 2,108	$ 308	$ 1,874	$ 1,624
Average shares	4,247	4,315	4,249	4,352
Net earnings per share	$ 0.50	$ 0.07	$ 0.44	$ 0.37

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - National Patent Development Corp. (AMEX/PSE:NPD) announced Tuesday that its 63% owned subsidiary, Duratek Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DRTK) entered into a letter of intent to acquire General Technical Services Inc. (GTS), a subsidiary of General Physics Corp., a 92% owned subsidiary of National Patent, for a purchase price of $7.5

million in cash and approximately 3 million shares of Duratek common stock.

GTS is a supplier of high-tech temporary personnel to utilities, government agencies and commercial businesses. For the year ended Dec. 31, 1989 and the six months ended June 30, 1990 GTS had revenues of $34,576,000 and $15,406,000.

When the transaction is completed, General Physics would own approximately 44% of the outstanding common stock of Duratek and National Patent would own approximately 36% of the outstanding common stock of Duratek.

The acquisition is subject to execution of a definitive agreement and approval of the board of directors of Duratek and General Physics.

On Aug. 20, 1990, Duratek completed the sale to Chem-Nuclear Systems Inc., a subsidiary of Chemical Waste Management Inc. (NYSE:CHW), of substantially all of the assets used in Duratek's domestic commercial low-level radioactive waste processing business at nuclear power plants, for a purchase price of $3,930,000 in cash and an additional $1 million in deferred payments over a five-year period. Duratek is using the proceeds of the sale to enter this growing field of providing high-tech temporary personnel to utilities, government agencies and commercial businesses.

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WILMINGTON, N.C. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The City of Wilmington, N.C. Board of Adjustments denied CG&T's continued use of its fractionating tower at the company's terminal and blending facility in Wilmington.

The company is authorized by the North Carolina Code to immediately apply to the City Council for a Special Use Permit seeking approval to expand the terminal and blending facility to include the use of the refinery fractionating tower.

Alternatively, the company may, and plans to appeal the decision of the Board of Adjustment. Management is confident of eventually acquiring this permit. Although CG&T cannot utilize this tower until the permit is issued, Management plans to aggressively make use of all other facilities at the site.

The company plans to reopen its terminal and blending facility at the Wilmington site before Oct. 1, 1990. This reopening of terminal and blending services is expected to provide the company with a steady and

substantial cash flow during the fractionating tower permitting process.

Moreover, anticipated proceeds from the terminal and blending operations are expected to finance the company's Haben tool manufacturing and sales division. Bids are currently being reviewed from various tool manufacturing companies, with tool production projected to begin within 90 days after a final bid has been accepted.

Haben Industries (NASDAQ:HABN) has recently purchased a 60 percent controlling interest in CG&T. CG&T is a OTC publicly traded company that is engaged in the marketing storage and blending of Petroleum products. The company's terminal and blending facility in Wilmington, has the capacity to accommodate 600,000 barrels of Petroleum products and to blend 20,000 barrels of Petroleum products per day.

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BREINIGSVILLE, PA. (SEPT. 4) Business Wire - AT&T announces the availability of two new data transceivers that comply with the Fiber-Distributed Data Interface standard.

They complete a set of AT&T components that encompass the full range of physical connections that have evolved for FDDI transmitters and receivers.

FDDI is an industry standard for high-capacity (100 megabits-per-second) data transfer through lightwave systems. FDDI is expected to speed the adoption of fiber-optic local area networks (LANs) by bringing speed, capacity and cost advantages over today's copper-based systems.

''We think that AT&T's heritage of lightwave reliability gained during twenty years in the business, coupled with our commitment to low-cost products, will help persuade LAN system customers to choose fiber over copper,'' says Greg Dougherty, manager, product marketing in AT&T Microelectronics lightwave group.

''In addition, AT&T's range of FDDI components eases challenges to the system designer: We address both the compliant and compatible markets.''

The two new AT&T transceivers, the AT&T 1402A and 1403A ODL (R) FDDI Transceivers, are single components that both transmit and receive, reducing the system space required for separate components doing those

functions.

The FDDI standard defines electrical characteristics of fiber optic LANs but not the physical connections or pins by which components are mounted in systems and linked to the information-processing components of an FDDI system. Designers can now get from AT&T the full range of pin arrays currently in use in FDDI components.

Use of the 1402A ODL FDDI Transceiver helps assure the system designer of long-term multiple supply sources for an emerging industry-standarad pin array for FDDI transceivers, adopted by AT&T Siemens, and Hewlett-Packard.

AT&T Microelectronics offers a full line of high-performance components and electronic systems to original equipment manufacturers.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Cascade Recreational Systems, a Georgia corporation which designs, manufactures and constructs waterpark amusement rides, has become a victim of the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

In January 1990, Cascade received an inquiry from a Fairfax, Va., import-export company on behalf of Colonel Mohammed Abdel Karim, commander of the Kuwait National Guard; the Kuwaiti Army.

''The colonel had recently visited Wet and Wild, a waterpark in Orlando, Fla., and thought that a couple of waterslides would be good entertainment for his troops' new Officers' Club on the shore of the Persian Gulf,'' said Bradley C. Race, president of Cascade Recreational Systems.

Cascade bid against Canadian and Italian firms and was awarded the contract. In early February, Race traveled to Kuwait to visit the construction site, execute the contract and consult with the architect, a Kuwaiti national with a degree from the University of Oklahoma.

Cascade completed its engineering work and shipped all of the specified equipment for the project to Kuwait on July 1, for a scheduled Sept. 15 completion date.

''We shipped them five ocean freight containers, which were scheduled to arrive in Kuwait Aug. 1, at which time I was supposed to go over with a construction supervisor and complete the project,'' said Race.

''But on the night of Aug. 1, the Iraqi army invaded Kuwait,'' said Robert A. Strall, Cascade vice president. ''The balance of our contract payment over $50,000, was to be made upon completion of the project. Right now, our equipment is probably sitting on an abandoned dock somewhere in Kuwait '' said Strall.

''In the meantime, we're wondering when and now even if we'll ever get our money,'' said Race.

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NATICK, MASS. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Prime Computer Inc. Tuesday announced the addition of the 5000 Series systems -- the first two members of the firm's next generation of proprietary 50 Series minicomputer systems.

The announcement is a continuation of the firm's ''dual rail'' strategy to provide customers with a range of proprietary and open systems offerings.

The 5320 system and the 5340 system are based on start-of-the-art complementary metal oxide semiconductor (CMOS) technology which provides up to 65 percent performance improvement over the firm's earlier mid-range systems and requires less power, cooling and space.

In addition, the systems are the first of a new line of computers delivered in new modular packaging which permits more flexibility in system configurations and allows users to upgrade their systems without trading in components.

The company also noted that the 5320 system and the 5340 system offer substantially lower monthly maintenance fees of up to 49 percent compared to the mid-range systems they replace -- the 4050 system and the 4150 system.

The 5320 system and the 5340 system use the same PRIMOS interactive operating system as other members of the 50 Series ensuring software compatibility from one system to another. Applications created on one system are portable and will run on any 50 Series systems -- usually with no need to recompile.

The 5320 system and the 5340 system are available for immediate shipment.

''Users want choices and they want freedom,'' said Richard B. Snyder, president and general manager of Prime's Computer Systems Business Unit.

''This new generation of 50 Series minicomputers, along with the range of new systems based on the UNIX operating system announced two weeks ago, gives customers that choice and freedom.

Prime Computer Inc. with headquarters in Natick, Mass., is a worldwide supplier of integrated system solutions for proprietary based and open systems applications to selected end-user markets. The company's Computer Systems Business Unit is the leading worldwide supplier in the PICK data management marketplace, and a major supplier of commercial servers, networks and minicomputers. Prime has a major international sales presence and a global field service maintenance organization for its customer base.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Proler International Corp. (NYSE:PS) Tuesday announced expiration of the letter of intent it signed to purchase from USX a substantial portion of land and the melt shop facilities at Baytown, Texas, for the Buffalo Steel project.

Buffalo Steel was originally formed as a partnership of Birmingham Steel Corp., Proler International Corp. and Danieli & C. Officine Meccaniche to develop a mini-mill facility for the production of flat rolled steel. In March 1990, Birmingham Steel withdrew from participation in the proposed project. As a result, Proler International has been seeking alternatives for pursuing the project with other parties.

Commenting on the announcement Robert L. Mueller, President of Proler said ''Proler reaffirms its interest in the Buffalo Steel project and will continue to seek an operating partner in the project. We believe the Baytown facility is ideally suited to serve the flat rolled market in the Southwest.''

Proler International Corp. is an environmental company primarily involved with recovering, recycling and processing ferrous and non-ferrous metals for shipment to domestic and foreign users. Through 22 processing plants operated either directly or through joint ventures, Proler is a leading provider of high quality raw materials to industrial users.

The company's non-ferrous operations produce reusable premium quality non-ferrous scrap, including copper, brass, aluminum, stainless steel and nickel alloy. Premium grade steel scrap from its state of the art detinning operations is sold to the steel and foundry industries and tin is sold for use in many different industrial applications.

Proler also distributes new prime and used line pipe and off-spec pipe for a wide range of industrial and commercial uses.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Shiva Corp., a Massachusetts developer of network communications products, has moved to new offices.

Shiva's new address is:

Shiva Corp.
1 Cambridge Center
Cambridge, MA 02142

The phone number has changed to 617/252-6300.
The FAX number has changed to 617/252-6852.
The toll free number remains 800/458-3550.
Technical Support's new number is: 617/252-6400.

Technical Support can still be reached via AppleLink address: SHIVA.TECH.

CompuServe address: 70511,444 and Internet address: Tech at SHIVA.COM.
Shiva has experienced rapid growth in the past year due to the expansion of the networking market, a larger product line and the acquisition of the Novell FastPath. Revenues have quadrupled and staff has tripled, leading Shiva to move its headquarters to a 20,000 square foot space in Cambridge.

''We've increased our executive, managerial and technial staffs to direct and support the growth of the company,'' said Shiva President Dan Schwinn. ''Moving to a space that's two and a half times the size of our current offices will enable us to better serve and support our customers.''

Shiva's new offices are located in Kendall Square, an area popular with Boston high-tech companies because of its proximity to the Massachusetts Institute of Technoloy. The space in the Cambridge Center office building will include a product demonstration and training center, and enhanced development and testing facilities.

Shiva Corp. manufactures network communications products which provide links beyond the local area network. Users of Shiva products can share serial devices over LocalTalk and Ethernet, dial-in to the network from a remote computer and link remote networks together over phone lines.

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WILLOUGHBY, OH (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Figgie International Inc. has announced the acquisition of the assets of Southwest Safety & Supply Co. Inc., San Diego, California. Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

Southwest Safety will become part of Figgie International's Safety Supply America division headquartered in Carson, California. Safety Supply America is the world's largest independent distributor of health and safety products, including respiratory protection systems, hazardous material handling equipment, firefighting equipment, eye and face protection, protective clothing, safety shoes and gloves.

Allan H. Bennett, president of Safety Supply America, said, ''This acquisition rounds out our distribution network in the important Southern California market as we continue to build our nationwide safety supply distribution system.''

Figgie International's safety products distribution business was begun in 1987. Nine safety products companies were acquired to form a nationwide network of distributors. Safety Supply America is committed to the safety and protection of workers and maintaining the quality of life in the work environment.

Figgie International Inc. is a major diversified Fortune 500 company serving consumer, industrial, technical and service markets worldwide. Sales in 1989 were $1.3 billion.

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TOLEDO, OHIO (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Dana Corp. of Toledo, has acquired the machining and assembly assets of The Columbus Auto Parts Company Inc. located in Rives Junction, Mich., and Ann Arbor, Mich.

The agreement, effective Sept. 1, was announced by William Carroll, vice president and general manager of Dana's Aftermarket Production Division, and Kenneth D. Smith, president and chief executive officer of The

Columbus Auto Parts Company, Inc.

The purchase price was not disclosed. The agreement has been approved by Dana's board of directors, by the principals of Columbus Auto Parts and by all required government regulatory agencies.

Columbus Auto Parts manufactures steering linkage assemblies and components for the original equipment and aftermarket segments of the automotive and truck markets.

Sales of Columbus Auto Parts have approximated $50 million a year. Dana Corp. is a global manufacturer of drivetrain, chassis and engine components with 1989 sales of $4.9 billion.

''Chassis products are a very important part of our business,'' said Carroll. ''With the addition of this business from Columbus Auto Parts, we can offer our customers a broader base of aftermarket components and complete systems. Dana is committed to increasing its share of the chassis components business as well as supporting the aftermarket, which is our fastest growing market segment. This acquisition is a solid step in that direction.''

Smith stated, ''In an effort to become more cost effective, Columbus Auto Parts undertook major reorganizational changes and plant consolidations in 1988 and 1989. This sale to Dana and the long-term supply agreement we have entered into with them dramatically reduces our debt load and strongly positions us for the future.''

Under terms of the agreement, Dana will acquire the machining and assembly equipment currently located at the Rives Junction plant and most will be moved to Dana's Oklahoma City chassis products plant, with the remaining going to its Barmatic facility in Oakwood Village, Ohio. Dana also will acquire the technology and equipment of the technical center in Ann Arbor, which will continue to offer services to Dana. Columbus Auto Parts will retain all real estate interests and an undisclosed amount of machining assets, and will continue its forging operations. In addition, the two parties have agreed to a long-term supply agreement for forgings.

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ZAANDAM, THE NETHERLANDS (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Koninklijke Ahold nv, one of Europe's largest food retailers and one of the top 10 supermarket operators in the United States, Tuesday announced that net earnings for the 12-week period ended July 15, amounted to Dfl 58.5 million, as

compared to Dfl 42.1 million in 1989, a 39.1 percent rise.

This significant rise in net earnings is attributable to continued growth in operating results, higher income from unconsolidated subsidiaries and affiliates, and lower net interest expense. The lower exchange rate of the dollar (on average Dfl 1.89, compared to Dfl 2.18 in the corresponding period of 1989) reduced reported net earnings by more than Dfl 4 million.

Sales to third parties in The Netherlands in the second quarter of 1990 amounted to Dfl 2,194.7, or a 4.2 percent rise. On a comparable basis, taking into account the sale of the AC Restaurants, sales growth in The Netherlands amounted to 5.6 percent. Sales in the United States totaled $1,030.2 million, representing a 9.1 percent rise.

Consolidated sales in guilders amounted to Dfl 4,144.7 million, only slightly lower than in the corresponding period of 1989 despite the lower exchange rate of the dollar, which reduced reported sales by about 6.6 percent.

Sales growth in The Netherlands largely reflects the Albert Heijn chain's increasingly strong market position. In the United States Ahold's BI-LO, FNS and GFS supermarket chains all achieved considerably higher sales.

Operating results for the second quarter of 1990 amounted to Dfl 86.2 million (1989: Dfl 68.7 million), a rise of 25.5 percent.

As in the first quarter, this rise largely reflects strongly improved operating results in the United States.

Operating results in The Netherlands continued to rise as well, especially at the Albert Heijn chain.

The company's balance sheet ratios continued to improve as compared to 1989 year end.

Net earnings for the period ended July 15, 1990 (28 weeks), amounted to Dfl 126.3 million (1989: Dfl 89.4 million), a 41.3 percent rise.

Consolidated sales in guilders during the same period totaled Dfl 9,467.0 million (1989: Dfl 9,362.8 million), representing a 1.1 percent growth. The lower exchange rate of the dollar reduced reported sales growth by 5.9 percent.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - J.P. Morgan & Co. Inc. announced that it has arranged financing for Morgan Place, the office complex it is building at 60 Victoria Embankment in London.

Upon completion next year, it will become the London headquarters for the international banking and securities firm.

J.P. Morgan has entered into an agreement to convey a 52.5 percent interest on a structured basis in Morgan Place to Sumitomo Life Insurance Co. of Japan for 220 million pounds (U.S. $416 million at current exchange rates).

The transaction will be reflected by J.P. Morgan in its financial statements as a financing amortized over its 25-year lease term for Morgan Place.

No immediate gain will be recorded as a result of the transaction, the benefits of which will be realized in the financing cost over time.

The interest cost, for accounting purposes, will be calculated annually on the basis of London rental rates.

J.P. Morgan's 25-year lease contains renewal options for an additional 50 years and standard clauses under which rental payments will be redetermined every five years.

The freehold site, which was formerly occupied by the City of London Schools and is near Blackfriars Bridge, was acquired by J.P. Morgan in 1987.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - NBC has entered into an exclusive agreement with Leisure Concepts Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:LCIC) appointing the New York and Los Angeles firm as the worldwide licensing and merchandising agent for the network's upcoming Saturday morning music and comedy series ''Guys Next Door.''

Announcement of the agreement was made last week by Albert Spevak, vice president, Marketing & Production Business Affairs, NBC Productions, and Stanley A. Weston, chairman of the board, Leisure Concepts Inc. (''LCI'').

''Guys Next Door'' was launched last week (Monday, Aug. 27) with a special prime time preview (8:30 - 9 p.m. NYT, to be repeated Saturday, Sept. 1 at 11:30 a.m. NYT), and will premiere in its regular Saturday morning time period Sept. 8 (11:30 - noon NYT).

Under the agreement, LCI will be responsible for the licensing of manufacturers for a wide range of ''Guys Next Door'' merchandise. License agreements have already been completed for numerous product categories including posters, t-shirts, sweatshirts, coordinated clothing sets, sleepwear, towels, watches, jewelry, backpacks, banners and various novelty items.

The merchandise will be available through mass market, record, gift and department stores. Additionally, special marketing programs will be conducted with retailers, licensees and SBK Records, which has already released the ''Guys Next Door'' single, ''I Was Made for You,'' and is releasing the album ''Guys Next Door'' today.

''Guys Next Door'' is a high-energy half-hour of comedy and music performed by five exciting teen stars: Eddie Garcia, Bobby Leslie, Patrick J. Dancy, Damon Sharpe and Chris Wolf. The program represents an innovative leap into the future of broadcast and music with its fresh mix of youth-directed comedy, contemporary sounds and original music videos.

''Guys Next Door'' is produced by NBC Productions. Vince Manze is executive producer. Deborah Liebling is co-executive producer.

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RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NC (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - BroadBand Technologies Inc. (BBT) Tuesday announced the Fiber Loop Access (FLX) System, the first fiber optic transport system that allows telephone companies to deliver cost-effective voice services today, and through a seamless upgrade, enhanced digital services tomorrow.

The FLX System delivers the benefits of fiber optics, including access to advanced video and data services, from the central office to the subscriber. The system, which is currently being tested by three of the seven Regional Bell Operating Companies (RBOCs) -- Bell Atlantic, NYNEX and Ameritech -- complies with fiber-in-the-loop architecture

recommendations recently released by Bell Communications Research (BellCore).

The FLX System enables telephone companies to deliver voice communications at a cost competitive with today's copper-based service -- a requirement of regulators. At the same time, it provides the telephone companies with the platform from which they can offer advanced narrowband services, such as ISDN, and broadband services such as video. All this is available in a system that is compatible with today's telephone network topology.

The FLX Systems, through an intelligent, software-defined selection capability, will allow service providers (CATV companies, broadcasters) to offer consumers a broad range of video channels or data services from which to choose. This selection capability reduces the bandwidth required for video transport to individual subscribers, reducing the cost.

Upgrading the FLX System to video capability is easy for the telephone companies. It requires only changing optoelectronic line cards at the telephone company's remote terminal and at the subscriber's home or curbside pedestal, without affecting other homes on the system.

The FLX System matches the switched star topology of today's telephone network, and is designed to be compatible with current and emerging public network standards. It also incorporates the telephone network's next generation Operation, Administration and Maintenance techniques by conforming to forward looking standards such as TR303. This will simplify the telephone companies' efforts to integrate the FLX System into the network.

The FLX System employs Passive Optical Networking technology which splits a single lightwave signal containing multiple channels into multiple lightwaves which can be allocated as needed among subscribers. The system shares the distribution fiber and transmission electronics over a number of subscribers, which results in costs that in some cases are lower than those for the installation of copper systems, which today averages around $1,100.

The FLX System's standard telephone service capability will be commercially available in the first quarter of 1991. The switched digital video capability will be commercially available in the fourth quarter of 1991.

The FLX System is well-positioned in a market that is expected to soar. A recent industry study, conducted by Goldman, Sachs & Co., estimates that the annual fiber-to-the-home market will grow to $4-$5 billion in the next few years. That study also indicates that deployment by the RBOCs will begin in 1991.

BroadBand Technologies Inc., based in Research Triangle Park, N.C., is the developer of fiber-to-the-home transport and has received more than $18 million in financial backing from corporate and private sources.

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CINCINNATI (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Frisch's Restaurants Inc. (AMEX:FRS) has declared a 6 cents per share quarterly dividend, payable Oct. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 25, 1990.

This will be the 119th consecutive quarterly dividend payable by Frisch's.

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NEWBURY PARK, CALIF. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - This month, Computer Peripherals Inc (CPI will ship its latest lineup of ViVa 2400 baud internal modems for IBM personal computers.

The Hayes compatible ViVa 24i, 24i/fx and 24im modems come with manuals, Quick Link II or ProComm communications software and introductory CompuServe offer. The ViVa24i is a standard 2400 baud modem with non-volatile memory for storing two modem setup configurations and four phone numbers. The 24i supports custom interrupt settings and COM ports 1,2,3, and 4. Currently it is one of CPIUs biggest sellers at a retail price of $179.

The ViVa 24i/fx is a 2400 baud modem with send only FAX capability. Its sports the same standard features found in the ViVa 24i, but allows the user to FAX a document created from any application. Its unique FAX utility captures the screen image and converts the document to a FAX file at the time of transmission. This new software enhancement permits FAX conversion of files created from PageMaker, Windows, WordPerfect and other popular graphics programs.

The ViVa 24i/fx retails for $199.

Sophisticated userUs will appreciate the ViVa 24im with MNP5 data compression and MNP 1-4 error correction. It increases data transmission by 100% when connected to another MNP modem. For added convenience this modem includes a bracket-mounted

COM port selection switch accessible from the back of the computer. The COM switch makes system configuration easy if a mouse or other peripheral device is added to the computer. The ViVa 24im retails for $299.

''We hope to make communications easier and more economical for the masses '' said Darius Antia, Marketing/Sales Director for CPI, ''With our latest additions to the ViVa line, we have a modem for the seasoned professional or the budget conscience consumer.''

The ViVa internal modems support CCITT V.22, V.22bis, V.21, Bell 103 and 212A communication standards for operation at 2400, 1200, and 300 baud.

The new ViVa internal modems are available through CPI's nationwide network of computer retailers and distributors. CPI is located at 667 Rancho Conejo Blvd., Newbury Park, CA 91320. Phone (800) 854-7600.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T (NYSE:T) Tuesday announced a grant of $184,000 to the Atlanta School System to support its Efficacy Seminars for Educators program.

The program's goal is to provide educators with insights and techniques to improve student academic performance.

''AT&T is proud to be associated with this critical project,'' said Esther Silver-Parker, public relations district manager for AT&T. ''We are partnering with the Atlanta School System to bring to our community the sense of urgency and ownership we all must share if we are to develop our young people to become the future leaders of Atlanta and this country.''

The Efficacy Seminar for Educators is a five-day training session in which participants explore the nature of the development process, effective responses to obstacles which impede students' development, and techniques to motivate students to achieve at their highest potential.

Dr. Lester W. Butts, superintendent of Atlanta Public Schools, said, ''We are very pleased to have AT&T as a partner with us in our efforts to be responsive to the needs of our students. The company's generous grant to

our school system is indicative of the type of commitment that the business community in Atlanta is extending to the Atlanta Public Schools.''

In recognition of the current needs in public education, AT&T will also be a major sponsor of the CBS News presentation, America's Toughest Assignment: Solving the Education Crisis. The two-hour special, hosted by Charles Kuralt, will be broadcast Thursday, Sept. 6, (9 p.m. EST) on the CBS television network.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Polly Peck International plc Tuesday reported financial results:

- Sales up 72 percent to 881 million pounds
- Operating profits up 116 percent to 129 million pounds
- Pre-tax profits up 72 percent to 110 million pounds
- Earnings per share (fully diluted) up 29 percent to 21.5 pence
- Interim dividend up 21 percent to 5.5 pence

Commenting on these results, Asil Nadir, chairman & chief executive of PPI said, ''We have once again achieved record results in terms of sales, profits, earnings per share and dividends. This is due to outstanding performances from our existing businesses, as well as to first-time contributions from acquisitions.

''The results are a comprehensive endorsement of the group's strategy and a tribute to the skills and efforts of its management and staff in implementing that strategy.

''All divisions have performed excellently as a result of strong demand, improved productivity and the introduction of new products.

''In particular, the results are clear evidence of the board's commitment to increasing the rate of growth in earnings per share.

''Based on current trading, the board expects that the remainder of the current financial year will be highly successful. The company is well-placed for the 1990s.''

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FARMINGDALE, NY (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - P & F Industries Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:PFINP) announced that the next scheduled quarterly dividend of 25 cents on its Cumulative Preferred Stock will be paid on Oct. 1 to holders of record on Sept. 25.

The dividend was declared at the board of directors meeting held on May 15.

P & F Industries Inc., through its three wholly owned subsidiaries, manufactures and imports air-powered tools, manufactures baseboard heating equipment, manufactures and imports various hardware items, and fabricates and installs sheet metal ductwork.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) will be the major sponsor of the CBS News presentation, America's Toughest Assignment: Solving the Education Crisis, to be broadcast Thursday, Sept. 6 (9 p.m. EST), on the CBS television network.

The two-hour special, hosted by Charles Kuralt, will examine one of the most critical issues facing America today: the performance of our nation's schools. The program is one element in a weeklong CBS campaign titled "Project Education," which will run Sept. 2-7.

Other "Project Education" elements include a national education conference in Washington on Sept. 5. AT&T Chairman Robert E. Allen will deliver the keynote address at that conference. In addition, education reports on CBS News broadcasts and a nationwide open forum, to be broadcast following America's Toughest Assignment, will round out "Project Education."

America's Toughest Assignment offers a composite look at the problems with American education. But of even greater importance, it highlights solutions that are already at work around the country. Segments of the program were filmed in Columbus, Ga.

In Atlanta, AT&T has been active with school leaders, teachers and students in a number of initiatives aimed at improving public school programs. The company's efforts have included adoption of several local

schools, and grants totaling over $680,000 to benefit Atlanta students through AT&T's Carver Community Family Initiative and Atlanta Public Schools' Efficacy Seminars for Educators programs.

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BASKING RIDGE, NJ (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Tuesday said all new subscribers to its Reach Out(R) America long-distance calling plan will receive one hour of free calling, a $6.60 value; and all new subscribers to the Half-Hour Plan will receive a half-hour of free calling, a $3.60 value.

In addition, AT&T will waive the $5 sign-up fee for customers who enroll in any of its Reach Out America long-distance calling plans. The offers are in effect from now through Dec. 31.

Customers of the AT&T Reach Out America 24-Hour Plan pay $8.70 a month for a package that includes one hour of weekend and night out-of-state direct-dialed calling to anywhere in the United States, a 25 percent discount on evening calls, a 10 percent discount on daytime calls, and 5 percent discounts on international and in-state AT&T direct-dialed calls. Customers also can add the AT&T Card Discount Option for an additional $2 a month to include AT&T Calling Card calls.

Customers of the Reach Out Half-Hour Plan pay $4 a month for a package that includes 30 minutes of weekend and night out-of-state calling and a 10 percent discount on evening calls.

Customers can order any Reach Out America plan by calling toll-free 1-800-222-0300.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Exxon announced Tuesday award of more than $560,000 in special unrestricted grants to departments of 18 universities in the Southwestern United States. The grants are part of a

nationwide program providing $1.8 million in such grants this year at more than 100 schools where Exxon recruits employees.

Exxon College Relations Coordinator Truman T. Bell said support of education has traditionally been a top priority for his organization. He said Exxon, its affiliate companies and the Exxon Education Foundation made educational grants totaling more than $20 million last year "to universities, other nonprofit institutions, and activities that can help make a meaningful difference in the quality of American education.

"The grants announced today are but one part of that total," he said, "but we believe they are especially significant. They reflect Exxon's desire to give something back specifically to the university departments producing graduates with the qualities Exxon and its affiliates need."

Exxon's departmental grants program officer, Terry L. Walker, said grants going to individual departments "are related to Exxon's past and anticipated future hiring of their graduates, with special emphasis on diciplines critical to our business.

"The universities receiving grants under this program are a diverse group. Some are among the country's largest schools; others are relatively small. They are located in many different parts of the country. All have one thing in common: they provide the people to fill highly demanding roles in America's energy industry."

Presentation of the awards began Tuesday at Texas A&M University, with similar announcements scheduled over the next three months at other campuses.

Other Southwestern universities at which departments will receive grants include Arizona, Baylor, Houston, Kansas, Kansas State, New Mexico State, Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, Prairie View A&M, Rice, Southern Methodist, Texas-Austin, Texas-El Paso, Texas A&I, Texas Southern, Texas Tech, and Tulsa.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - More than 35,000 attendees and exhibitors expected at next month's Networld '90 Dallas will gain first-hand experience with the largest groupware application ever built.

Lotus Notes, Lotus Development Corp.'s group communications software product, will run on more than 100 Shownet kiosks, using a real-time network designed by Lante Corp. to offer key information and services to

attendees and exhibitors. The Lotus Notes 1.1 application, which is compatible with Windows 3.0, will also be shown in the IBM, Compaq, Lotus, Microsoft, 3Com and Tricord booths.

The Lotus Notes Networld application will include six databases allowing show attendees and exhibitors to share opinions on controversial industry issues, find out about the products and some vendors represented at the show, get information on events and nightlife at the show, tap into a Reuters news feed for the latest worldwide developments, review and enter job offerings, and receive help on any of the Lotus Notes applications.

''This Lotus Notes application is a perfect example of the power group communications software gives people today,'' said Mark Tebbe, president of Lante Corp. ''It provides a common and easily accessible method for providing important and encouraging discussion among several groups of people -- in this case, attendees, exhibitors and press at a major networking trade show.''

Networld attendees will be able to use their show badges to access the following Lotus Notes databases:

Discussion: To encourage discussion among Networld attendees about controversial technical and industry issues, members of the press will submit topics before and during the show. Users will be able to search key words for discussions on various topics such as operating systems, network operating systems or LAN topologies, and read the comments of other attendees, or enter their own opinions.

Reuters: Users will be able to access the latest news, organized by categories similar to a newspaper such as country, sports, money market and commodities, through the Lotus Notes Reuters interface. Through this live news feed, stories running Reuters' news wire are automatically searched by key words and placed in an appropriate folder. Users will be able to quickly scan the database for the topic they want to explore.

Product: Users will have immediate access to information about the products exhibited by IBM, Compaq, Lotus, Microsoft, 3Com, and Tricord. Users will be able to enter questions about products and receive answers from company representatives, who will be connected from their exhibit booth to the Notes application.

Jobs: Attendees looking for employment opportunities can search this database by keying on company name, regional location or business description. Attendees can also enter information about job openings at their companies.

Entertainment: To provide attendees with the latest status on leisure activities at Networld and around Dallas, Lotus Notes will provide

reference information on restaurants, sightseeing and Networld receptions.

Lotus Notes executives, including Larry Moore, vice president, and Bromnell Chalstrom, director of marketing, will participate in panels on groupware and wide area networks. In addition, Lotus will host a reception to introduce its new Alliance Partners, a group of systems integrators and product developers that will provide service and support to Lotus Notes customers.

Voted this year's ''Best New Business Software Product'' by the Software Publisher's Association, Lotus Notes is a group communications software product that allows people to create and access shared information using personal computers and local- and wide-area networks. Some of the most popular types of Notes applications fall into these categories: electronic mail, information distribution, sales management, customer service and product development. Currently being sold via a direct sales force throughout North America, Notes is available at a minimum of 200 licenses for $62,500, including five days of support services.

Lotus Development Corp. is the leading provider of applications software for personal computers and information services delivered on CD-ROM, and is a worldwide supplier of applications software for workstations, minicomputers and mainframes.

NOTE: All prices and terms are for the U.S.A. only.

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CINCINNATI (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Cincinnati Bell Inc. (NYSE:CSN) Tuesday declared a regular quarterly dividend on the company's common stock of 19 cents ($0.19) per share.

The dividend is payable Nov. 1, 1990, to shareowners of record Oct. 3, 1990.

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The Nirvana Project has led to a multi-year, multi-million dollar agreement for Intergraph Corp.

(NASDAQ:INGR) of Huntsville.

Nirvana is the code name for the Sandia National Laboratories/Department of Energy prime contractors' program to implement an Electronic Design Automation (EDA) system with true concurrent-engineering capabilities.

In the first year of the agreement, Intergraph will ship EDA software tools and approximately 140 RISC-based Unix workstations. First-year value of the award is expected to be $8 million; over the lifetime of the agreement, Intergraph is expected to provide approximately 500 seats.

Intergraph's hardware and software products will be used to integrate and improve the design, manufacture, and assembly of complex printed circuit boards, bybrid microcircuits, and integrated circuits.

The Nirvana Project is a program to help Sandia and other Department of Energy (DOE) contractors migrate away from isolated multi-vendor EDA ''point solutions'' and move to an integrated and more efficient environment.

The two principle goals of the Nirvana Project were: 1) to increase the productivity of each design and manufacturing group member by providing individual users with newer and better automation tools; 2) to increase the productivity of the entire organization -- by making it easy for each separate group to exchange and share data with other groups and departments.

The Nirvana team used Intergraph's integrated tool sets (electronics, database, mechanical, document management, and manufacturing) to help meet the Nirvana Project goals.

DOE contractors will use Intergraph hardware and software tools for tasks such as: hierarchial design capture (schematic capture); digital simulation and analysis; analog simulation and analysis; physical layout and design; packaging design; manufacturing design; thermal analysis; three-dimensional interference fit; and documentation and design management.

To maximize system capabilities, third-party design tools were integrated into the Intergraph design framework. For example, tools from Cadence, CLSI, GenRad, Layout Concepts, MINC, and Pacific Numerix were all integrated tightly together in an Intergraph framework to form a single EDA system.

The new EDA system will improve the design and manufacturing processes for technologies such as: printed wiring boards and flex circuits; hybrid microcircuits -- including thick film, thin film, co-fired ceramic, chip and wire; radio frequency and microwave circuits; and ASICs.

Prior to the Nirvana Project, the participating DOE contractors maintained their own separate and different design and component databases. For that reason, as a design progressed from one group to the next, it was necesary for each group to translate or re-enter all data. That process not only increased design time, it also often created data transfer/entry errors.

With the implemantation of the Nirvana Project, the involved contractors will begin replacing their existing EDA systems with tool sets from Intergraph. The implementation will occur in a phased manner as the older systems are scheduled for upgrade or replacement.

All groups participating in Nirvana will use Intergraph hardware and software solutions. These solutions will be integrated with existing networking and plotting resources as well as with the PCs being used in engineering departments. The hardware and software tools will operate under a common user framework.

Product design information will flow from initial system design, through sub-system design, PCB or Hybrid design, through physical IC, and on to manufacturing. Additional data will be added to the design definition at each step -- and there will be no need to re-enter the design data from preceding steps. The result will be higher quality products -- designed and manufactured in a shorter period of time. Integraph Background Information:

Intergraph Corp.'s products include a broad range of complementary workstations and network servers, as well as complete application-specific systems for computer-aided engineering, design, manufacturing, and publishing, plus numerous earth science applications.

A ''Fortune 500'' company, Intergraph is the world's largest company dedicated to developing and manufacturing interactive computer graphics systems.

Intergraph's Electronics Division has a broad suite of electronic design automation (EDA) software which complements the product design process, providing solutions from conception through manufacture, and is integrated within a common framework.

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MADISON, NJ (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Schering-Plough Corporation Tuesday announced the appointment of Rodolfo C. Bryce as president of Schering Laboratories, the company's U.S. prescription products arm.

In his new position, he is reporting to Donald R. Conklin, president - Schering-Plough Pharmaceuticals.

Bryce most recently was senior vice president - Rx marketing and sales, Schering Laboratories. He replaces Jean-Pierre Garnier, who announced his resignation today to take an executive position with SmithKline Beecham.

Bryce joined Schering-Plough in 1980 as finance director (Latin America) for Schering-Plough International. In 1983, he became general manager of Essex Farmaceutica Portuguesa Limitada, the company's subsidiary in Portugal. A year later, he was appointed a vice president and regional director in Schering-Plough's Latin American operations, headquartered in Miami, Fla. He became president of Schering-Plough Animal Health in 1988, and was named to his most recent position in January 1990.

Before joining Schering-Plough, he held various executive positions in finance and operations with ITT Corporation in Peru, Belgium and the United States.

In his new position, Bryce will be responsible for Schering Laboratories' prescription products business, which includes allergy and asthma medications, dermatologicals and anti-infectives, as well as anticancer and antiviral therapies. His responsibilities will encompass marketing and sales, technical operations, planning and administration, and human resources.

Continuing to report to Bryce will be David M. Stout, who has been promoted to vice president - Rx marketing from his previous position as senior director - marketing, respiratory products. Stout will assume the marketing responsibilities of Bryce's previous position. Also reporting to Bryce are Robert E. Baldini, senior vice president - Key marketing and sales; Eugene P. Desimone, senior vice president - planning and administration; Richard Happel, vice president - human resources; John Nine, president - Schering technical operations; Izabela J. Roman, M.D., Ph.D., vice president - medical marketing; and Harvey J. Weintraub, vice president - Rx sales.

Bryce holds a B.B.A. degree in financial management from Saint Mary's University in San Antonio, Texas.

Schering-Plough is a research-based company engaged primarily in the discovery, development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceutical and health care products worldwide.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Eaton Corp.'s Board of Directors has elected Stanley V. Jaskolski Vice President Technical Management, to succeed Warren B. Offutt, who has chosen to retire effective October 1, 1990.

Jaskolski will report to Eaton President and Chief Operating Officer William E. Butler.

Jaskolski, 51, joined Eaton in 1982 as Executive ManagerTechnology Development for Eaton's Corporate Research and Development Center in Milwaukee. Prior to that, he was chairman of the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at Marquette University in Milwaukee.

As Eaton's chief technical officer, Jaskolski will be responsible for directing corporate research and development activities, as well as its quality and engineering development functions at the company's facilities in Southfield, Michigan, and Milwaukee.

The Southfield center, which employs 250 people, is primarily responsible for vehicle-oriented product research and development. The Milwaukee Center, which employs 160, is primarily responsible for research and development of electrical and electronic controls products. Jaskolski and his family will relocate to Cleveland, Eaton's corporate headquarters.

Jaskolski received his Doctorate degree in Electrical Engineering from Marquette University in 1967. He subsequently became a faculty member in the College of Engineering at Marquette, where he conducted research and taught courses in solid-state electronics. In 1976 he was named chairman of the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, the position he held prior to joining Eaton.

The Milwaukee native had served as a consultant to Eaton while at Marquette, and is the co-holder of 27 patents and the author of more than 30 technical articles. He is a member of several professional organizations and is Eaton's representative to the Industrial Research Institute and the Industrial Automation Advisory Board of the National Electrical Manufacturers Association.

He serves as a Director of the board for the Semiconductor Research Corp. and the Wisconsin Foundation of Independent Colleges. Offutt, 62, became Eaton's Vice President Technical Management in 1979, after serving

Cutler-Hammer, Inc. for more than 23 years in a variety of engineering and management posts. Eaton acquired Cutler-Hammer in 1979. He had also been general manager of DuKane Corp.'s Communications Systems Division and board chairman of a subsidiary company, Northern Communications Inc., and vice president and general manager of the Electronics Systems Division at the Adams-Russell Co.

Offutt is actively involved in a number of civic organizations in Milwaukee and Cleveland. Additionally, he holds memberships in several professional groups and societies, and serves on committees at seven academic institutions in Wisconsin and Ohio. He has authored technical papers on a variety of electronics topics, and is a contributing author to ''Antenna Engineering Handbook'', first published in 1964 and revised in 1984. He holds patents in the fields of electro-optics, geometric-optics, and high-speed electrical controls mechanisms, and has consulted in the field of high-frequency direction finding technology.

With 42,000 employees in 20 countries, Eaton Corp. is a manufacturer of highly engineered products serving automotive, industrial, commercial and defense markets. Principal products include truck transmissions and axles engine components, electrical equipment, and controls.

The company's sales in 1989 were $3.7 billion, with net income of $225 million, or $6.00 per share of common stock. For the six months ending June 30, 1990, Eaton's net income was $107.3 million, or $2.97 per share, on sales of $1.9 billion.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - PC Week, the national newspaper of corporate computing, Tuesday announced a Virtual Lab partnership with Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton, Wis.

The partnership is a unique blending of large-scale, multi-platform computing resources focused solely on the real-world interests of corporate computing.

FVTC's relationship with local business and industry as computing consultant, trainer and product-evaluator, and as one of IBM's CIM (Computer Integrated Manufacturing) training sites, has resulted in a diverse facility that offers corporate computer buyers testing conditions close to their own business environments.

PC Week will participate in this business and industry partnership by

providing FVTC with access to cutting-edge product information and technology to ensure testing is always geared toward the latest industry has to offer. In addition, PC Week technical analysts will oversee all testing and the results will be published in the newspaper.

The unique partnership between PC Week and FVTC benefits many facets of the industry. By virtue of its involvement with PC Week, FVTC will enjoy easy access to products and vendor information that will benefit not only their educational training efforts, but also help meet local corporate partners' needs in an extremely timely manner. Some of the college's current corporate partners include Appleton Papers Inc., James River Corp. Menasha Corp., Miller Electric Manufacturing, Pierce Manufacturing Inc. and Valmet-Appleton Inc.

FVTC's first product evaluation will involve hosting a PC Week Labs Shoot-Out: 3270 Emulation Under Windows 3.0 to be held on September 17th. The PC Week Labs Shoot-Out is a new genre of comparative product review where vendors of similar products are invited to meet a specific challenge of organizational computing. Competing vendors' development teams are challenged to create a solution to a typical business computing task under real-world conditions.

Representatives of Appleton-area companies will judge the Shoot-Out competition and will witness the results first-hand as they decide which product best serves the Shoot-Out's stringent requirements.

PC Week is a weekly newspaper serving the needs of more than 195,000 volume computer buyers. PC Week is published by Ziff-Davis Publishing, a division of Ziff Communications Co.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - COMSAT Systems Division has been selected a consortium partner to provide the ground segment for the new Locstar European Radio Determination Satellite Service (RDSS), Locstar officials announced in Evry, France.

Locstar is the first Radio Determination Satellite Service scheduled to be deployed in Europe.

Under terms of a $12 million contract announced Tuesday, COMSAT will provide mission baseband satellite equipment and the Locstar Processing Center to be located at the Chateau-Gombert Technology Center at Marseille France.

The consortium also includes THOMSON-CSF DAS, responsible for the Telemetry, Tracking and Command chain and overall ground segment project management, and SYSECA, which will provide the satellite control center and support software. THOMSON-CSF is located in Le Plessis-Robinson and SYSECA in Saint Cloud, both in France.

The Locstar system provides positioning and messaging information and consists of dedicated space, ground and user segments. Users can ''stay in touch'' with any mobile assets by sending and receiving messages on land, in the air, and at sea, in real time, 24 hours a day.

''Locstar is patterned after Geostar, the world's first radio determination satellite service now operational in the United States,'' Joel R. Alper, CSD president said. ''COMSAT provided engineering support to that effort and helped forge a part for land-mobile satellite communications. We are a natural for Locstar.''

The Locstar ground segment includes the Locstar earth station, processing center, satellite control center and a network of terminals.

COMSAT will provide and install computer processing equipment and develop the software required to locate the mobile users and transfer messages between the mobile tranceivers and the subscribers' home bases.

COMSAT Systems Division, a part of the COMSAT Corp., is a systems integrator assisting government, international and commercial customers in the design, implementation and operation of information and telecommunications systems and networks worldwide.

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CINCINNATI (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - McCaw Cellular Communications Inc., has signed a two-and-one-half year renewal contract with CBIS, Cincinnati Bell Information Systems Inc., for the use of CBIS's Macro/Cell cellular information management system and other products that CBIS may have available.

McCaw is the leading cellular service provider in the United States. CBIS is the largest information management software provider to the mobile communications industry in North America, providing the software which produces 2.5 million mobile subscriber bills every month. McCaw will use Macro/Cell for many of its Cellular One operations across the U.S.

Macro/Cell is a comprehensive on-line cellular usage and accounts processing system that provides message processing, subscriber billing, customer service and marketing functions.

In March 1990, CBIS announced that American Cellular Communications Inc./LIN Broadcasting Inc. had signed a four-year agreement worth up to $40 million for the use of Macro/Cell. McCaw has recently completed its acquisition of approximately 52 percent of LIN Broadcasting. With the two separate contracts, CBIS's Macro/Cell system will perform information management for most of the markets served by McCaw and LIN. Those markets account for 47 percent of the non-wireline industry in the United States.

Ingvar Petursson, vice president and chief information officer for McCaw, said, ''CBIS's size and experience in mobile communications are important to McCaw. CBIS's systems offer us the information management and marketing functions we need to continue our growth.''

Miles Huskey, vice president of the Macro/Cell group for CBIS Mobile Communications, said, ''This contract with McCaw, the leading cellular service provider in North America, reinforces CBIS's position as the supplier of choice for companies that are serious about growth in the mobile marketplace. McCaw's continuing confidence in CBIS is gratifying, and also signals that we must continue our efforts to provide superior products and services to the entire industry.''

CBIS, a subsidiary of Cincinnati Bell Inc., provides information management solutions to telecommunications, financial and government entities.

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PISCATAWAY, N.J. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Unitronix Corp. (NASDAQ:UTRX) and Avnet Computer, Culver City, Calif., a major marketer of computer hardware, operating systems and automation to the manufacturing community, have entered into a non-exclusive cooperative marketing agreement.

Under the terms of the agreement Unitronix will sell PRAXA, its proprietary manufacturing and distribution software, in conjunction with Avnet Computer's sales and leasing activities in a number of western states.

In a second development, Unitronix said that it has received a letter of intent from Carlisle Systems Group Inc. to purchase its NCR inventory at a slight discount to book value, and subsequently, assume the distribution

activities relating to Unitronix' distribution agreement with NCR Corp.

Zimmer, president and chairman, said, ''Present negotiations are progressing and we hope to have a final purchase agreement before the end of this month. We are quite encouraged by the two positive developments following our announcement in August regarding the divestiture of the computer distribution and service business.''

''The planned exit from this business,'' continued Zimmer, ''will greatly strengthen the company by sharply reducing overhead and by positioning PRAXA as our exclusive growth product.''

Zimmer noted, ''Our stock price has decreased over the past few weeks, dropping by approximately 50 percent of its June levels. The company is not aware of any reason to account for the sudden decrease in value.''

Unitronix markets PRAXA throughout the United States from its New Jersey headquarters and from seven regional offices in major metropolitan areas.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Millicom Inc. (NASDAQ:MILL) announced Tuesday that its subsidiary, Millicom Technologies Corp., and SCS Mobilecom Inc. have formed a joint venture to develop and hold intellectual property rights for Personal Communications Networks (PCNs) specifically in the area of spread spectrum technology.

Millicom's and SCS' objective is to establish the intellectual base for a commercially viable, competitive radio based communication system and to make the technology available to American industry.

Dr. Donald Schilling, president of SCS Mobilcom, has worked with spread spectrum in military and space applications since the 1950's and is recognized as one of the leading experts in the field. The Millicom and SCS joint venture will take advantage of his knowledge and years of research and development of spread spectrum systems for PCN and cellular applications.

Shelby Bryan, Millicom's chairman and chief executive officer comments: ''PCN will be shown to be a dynamic addition to the mix of telephone services available to consumers, and existing microwave licensees will be able to continue operations without fear of being displaced to make way for a new technology.

''Millicom and SCS' development of this sophisticated technology should enable the American telecommunications industry to position itself as the world leader and trendsetter in the next generation of wireless telephony.''

The Millicom-SCS joint venture will utilize a combination of state-of-the-art technologies including broad band, Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS); Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA); Adaptive Power Control (APC); and low-power handsets to create what the joint venture believes to be the perfect radio based communications system for the United States.

An innovative approach to the introduction of new radio based communications services is necessary in the U.S. because radio frequencies are not generally available for new services. This unique combination of advanced technologies is designed to ''overlay'' or share radio spectrum with existing commercial users.

Millicom Inc. is a diversified international telecommunications company with primary interests in cellular telephones, alphanumeric paging systems and satellite television.

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WOOSTER, OHIO (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - FirstFederal Financial Services Corp. (NASDAQ:FFSW), the holding company of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Wooster, today announced the termination by it of the definitive agreement to acquire First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Mount Vernon, Ohio.

The signing of the definitive agreement had been previously announced and was subject to various contingencies. In announcing the termination of the agreement to acquire First Federal via a voluntary supervisory merger, Richard E. Herald, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, ''We regret that at this time it is not feasible for this transaction to occur. However, we continue to believe that First Federal is an attractive franchise with a strong core deposit base.''

FirstFederal Financial Services Corp.'s assets totaled $321 million at June 30, 1990. The company's only subsidiary, First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Wooster, operates eight offices in the north central Ohio counties of Wayne, Ashland, Medina and Richland.

CONTACT: FirstFederal Financial Services Corp., Wooster
Gary G. Clark, 216/264-8001

-30- 1352
#90247b0778 09/04/1990 ~Business Wire
HOUSTON (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Sanifill Inc. (AMEX:''FIL'') has applied for listing on the New York Stock Exchange.

The company expects to commence trading on the NYSE on Oct. 28, 1990 under the symbol ''FIL.''

Sanifill Inc., headquartered in Houston, is an environmental services company specializing in nonhazardous waste disposal.

CONTACT: Sanifill Inc., Houston
Al Warrington or John Sanders, 713/865-9800

-30- 571
#90247b0788 09/04/1990 ~Business Wire
(SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Two of the world's leading telecommunications systems manufacturers are working together to ensure availability of Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) business applications to customers whose networks include equipment and services from both companies.

AT&T and Northern Telecom Tuesday announced the completion of the first phase of ISDN Primary Rate Interface (PRI) compatibility testing between Northern Telecom's public network switching systems and AT&T's private branch exchange (PBX) systems.

Testing involved Northern Telecom's DMS-100 central office and DMS-250 interexchange carrier switching systems, and AT&T's DEFINITY Communications System and System 85.

''This is a major step forward in ensuring that our customers derive maximum benefits from their investment in our ISDN-capable communications systems,'' said Ernie DeNigris, product management vice president - Communications Systems, for AT&T's Business Communications Systems group.

''Switching system compatibility is the first requirement for extending the benefits of ISDN to our customers,'' said Ken Heffner, director, product management, Networks, for Northern Telecom Inc.

''Successful phase one testing with AT&T is a significant milestone in our plan to interwork with all major switching system vendors.''

ISDN PRI compatibility will extend the benefits of ISDN to AT&T PBX customers who are served by Northern Telecom's central office and long distance switching systems.

First phase testing covered basic call services, including voice traffic and circuit switched data, calling line identification, and call-by-call service selection.

Call-by-call service selection offers customers more efficient use of their trunking facilities. Rather than designate a specific trunk to route outgoing calls -- over a private line, WATS, or over the public switched network -- this features attaches routing information to the call.

CONTACT: AT&T General Business Communications Systems, Bridgewater, N.J.
Sue Fleming, 201/658-2604 (Office) or 201/469-6952 (Home)
or
Northern Telecom Inc., Dallas, Texas
Mark Buford, 214/437-8512 (Office) or 214/517-7407 (Home)

-30- 2435
#90247b0790 09/04/1990 ~Business Wire

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Entrepreneurs, small businesses or anyone in the market for a personal computer can now take advantage of a ''Grand Scale Sale,'' a special promotion from IBM.

Through January 15, 1991, IBM will offer six software programs at no charge and rebates to those customers buying selected IBM Personal System/2(a) models. In addition, purchasers of qualified PS/2(a) systems can receive rebates on selected IBM desktop printers. Quick credit and deferred payments also are available to qualifying customers.

''Finding the right solution for home and business users is what IBM and our business partners do best,'' said Winnie Briney, director of personal systems for IBM's US Marketing & Services. ''With this special offer of rebates and easy financing, as well as software at no additional charge, customers can take advantage of a great deal and reach new levels of productivity and efficiency.''

When purchasing IBM's Personal System/2 Models 25 through 65 and an IBM operating system, customers will receive six selected software packages at no charge with a total suggested retail value of more than $600.

Grand Scale Sale customers also receive a customised Magellan installation program to easily install all six promotional software products.

CONTACT: IBM, White Plains
Raymond F. Meurer, 914/642-5457

-30- 1555
#90247b0797 09/04/1990 ~Business Wire

NASHVILLE, TENN. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Telecom (NYSE:NT), Digital Equipment Corp. (NYSE:DEC), StrataCom and cisco Systems, four key players in the new frame relay data networking technology, are taking the lead in ensuring compatibility among public and private networks.

The four companies Tuesday announced agreement on a common specification for frame relay connections to link customer premise equipment such as bridges and routers to networking equipment such as central office switches, fast packet networking systems, and packet switches.

This represents the first agreement between private and public network suppliers on a common implementation of the frame relay interface standard. The participating companies see this as a significant step toward meeting the needs of corporate network managers for flexibility in building voice and data networks.

StrataCom Inc. is the leading fast packet and frame relay supplier. The company manufactures, markets and services the IPX fast packet networking system and has already announced frame relay agreements with Digital Equipment Corp., US Sprint, cisco Systems, Vitalink Communications Corp. and Cross Comm Corp. StrataCom is based in Campbell, Calif.

Digital Equipment Corp., headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

Cisco Systems Inc., is the leading supplier of high-performance, multimedia, and multiprotocol internetworking products, including routers, bridges, and terminal servers. Cisco technology can be used to build wide-area networks linking an unlimited number of geographically dispersed LANs.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

CONTACT: Northern Telecom Inc. - DMS-100
Lee Williams, 919/992-3125
or
Northern Telecom Inc. - DMS-250, Dallas
Preston Peek, 214/437-8588

or

StrataCom Inc., San Jose
Maggie Parkinson, 408/370-2333

or

Digital Equipment Corp.
Dave Farmer, 603/884-4467

or

cisco Systems Inc., San Francisco
Jeff Paine, 415/688-8291

-30- 2900

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DAYTON, OHIO (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Audio/Video Affiliates Inc. (NYSE:AVA) today reported revenues and net income for the second quarter and six months ended July 31, 1990.

For the second quarter the company reported net income of $247,000 or 4 cents per share, compared with a loss of $1,198,000, or 19 cents per share for the quarter ended July 31, 1989. Revenues for the quarter totaled $35.4 million, compared with $34 million in 1989. The average number of shares outstanding during the second quarter was 6,671,251, compared to 6,231,000 for the same period in the prior year.

For the six months ended July 31, 1990, the company reported net income of $369,000, or 6 cents per share, compared with a loss of $1,627,000, or 20 cents per share for the prior year's first six months. The average number of shares outstanding during the first six months of fiscal 1991 was 6,671,256, compared to 8,056,000 shares for the first six months of the prior year. Revenues for the first half of fiscal 1991 were $63.7 million compared to $65.7 million for the prior year.

Same store sales for the second quarter increased 37.2 percent, as compared to the same period in the prior year, and for August, 1990, same store sales increased 34.8 percent, as compared to August, 1989. As of the end of the second quarter of fiscal 1991 the company had 78 stores, compared to 112 stores in the prior year.

Commenting on the results, Stuart A. Rose, chairman and CEO of Audio/Video Affiliates Inc., said, ''The transition experienced during Fiscal 1990 is favorably continuing into Fiscal 1991.'' Rose attributed the company's performance in the second quarter to the store closings in fiscal 1990, the continued strong controls and monitoring of overhead-related costs and the increase in same store sales experienced during the quarter.

Audio/Video Affiliates Inc., is a leading specialty retailer of consumer electronic products and appliances. The company, headquartered in Dayton operates stores in 17 midwestern and sunbelt states under the trade names

''Rex'' and ''TV and Stereo Town.''

CONTACT: Audio/Video Affiliates Inc., Dayton
Edward M. Kress, 513/449-2800

-30- 2391

#90247b0809 09/04/1990 ~Business Wire

KENNEDY SPACE CENTER, FLA. (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co. has selected The Network Connection to supply advanced file servers and workstations for a large network that will support NASA's Freedom Space Station project.

The network will handle all data processing required for management, administration and engineering of the project. Atlanta Technologies Inc. was awarded a contract for design and implementation of the network, including end user applications support. The dollar value of the contracts was not disclosed.

Baseband Ethernet Local Area Networks (LANs) in seven buildings at the Kennedy Space Center will be linked together on a broadband backbone. The applications that will run on The Network Connection hardware include spreadsheet, database, word processing, desktop publishing, project management, presentation graphics and engineering graphics.

The initial release of the contract calls for 22 Triumph network file servers and more than 200 Triumph workstations. Each of the 20 megahertz 80386-based Triumph file servers, will be equipped with a proprietary disk controller, and configured with 330 megabyte disk drives.

The 386/20 Triumph workstations will be shipped in four different configurations depending upon the application to be supported.

McDonnell Douglas late last year sent Requests For Proposals to approximately 200 firms in the communications networking industry. The Network Connection and Atlanta Technologies were selected from a field of 10 finalists.

Harold P. Gray, president of Atlanta Technologies, said McDonnell Douglas visited each finalist to evaluate the firms' competence, review hardware and software, and conduct on-site benchmark performance tests. The primary selection criteria were: demonstrated technical ability, hardware performance and competitive price.

Founded in 1986, The Network Connection is a fast-growing supplier of networking equipment, systems and services including the Triumph family of network file servers and workstations. The Network Connection is headquartered at 1324 Union Hill Rd., Alpharetta, GA 30201. Telephone:

404/751-0889; Fax: 404/751-1884.

CONTACT: John Day & Co., Atlanta
    John Day, 404/621-0999

-30- 2476
     #90247b0811 09/04/1990 ~Business Wire
MOUNT LAUREL, NJ (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - AW Computer Systems Inc. Tuesday announced that it has privately placed $125,000 of secured promissory notes with four investors.

The notes bear interest at 15% and mature on Feb. 28, 1992. The investors also received five year warrants to purchase 62,500 Class A Common Shares at 25 cents. The proceeds will be used to rebuild working capital and accelerate the delivery of the company's products.

Since 1973 AW Computer Systems Inc. has provided state of the art, high performance, interactive, on-line point-of-sale and inventory control systems to such major retailers as Safeway, Mervyn's, Eaton's and Zellers division of Hudson's Bay Company of Canada, the Federated Department Stores, Caldor Inc. and GIB Group in Belgium.

CONTACT: AW Computer Systems Inc., Mount Laurel
   Bradford Smith III, 609/234-3939

-30- 1044
     #90247b0812 09/04/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - American Express Company Tuesday announced that Harvey Golub has been elected Vice Chairman of the Company and that Michael P. Monaco has been elected Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer.

In addition, Mr. Golub will be nominated as a Director of the Company and a member of the Board's Finance Committee at the Board meeting on September 24, 1990.

Golub will also become Chairman of IDS Financial Services, a title that has been vacant, and continue as its Chief Executive Officer. He has been President and Chief Executive Officer of IDS since 1984. Jeffrey E. Stiefler, currently IDS Executive Vice President for Sales and Marketing, will be elected President of IDS, with enlarged responsibilities.

James D. Robinson III, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of American Express, said, ''The appointments of Harvey and Mike at American Express and of Jeff at IDS continue our program to broaden and develop senior management. American Express has great depth of talent and an increasing

number of seasoned executives who are playing important leadership roles.''

Robinson said that the Chief Executive Officers of American Express Travel Related Services Company, IDS Financial Services, Shearson Lehman Brothers and American Express Information Services Corporation will continue to report to him as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of American Express.

The Executive Vice Presidents for Corporate Legal and Administration and for Corporate Affairs and Communications will also continue to report directly to him.

Golub as Vice Chairman will supervise the Offices of Corporate Finance and of Strategic Planning. His responsibilities will include coordinating and directing the strategic planning and operating planning and review processes, and supporting close coordination among the American Express business units.

He will also coordinate American Express's senior management Planning and Policy Committee, which works with the Chairman on a broad range of issues. Mr. Golub will divide his time between IDS and his new responsibilities as Vice Chairman of American Express.

Monaco as EVP and Chief Financial Officer will be responsible for the Office of Corporate Finance, which includes the Comptroller's Office, Treasurer's Office, Investment Division, Tax Department and Audit Department, and for Investor Relations.

As a member of American Express senior management, Mr. Monaco is also a member of the Planning and Policy Committee. He assumed the position of Acting Chief Financial Officer early this year after former Chief Financial Officer Howard L. Clark, Jr., became Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Shearson Lehman Brothers. Mr. Monaco has served as Senior Vice President and Corporate Comptroller since 1985.

American Express Company, a diversified travel, financial and information services company founded in 1850, is a world leader in charge cards, Travellers Cheques and travel related services.

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or
IDS Financial Services, Minneapolis
Lynn Closway, 612/372-3090

-30- 3392

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STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Frank J. Kugler Jr., chairman of

the board and chief executive officer of Northeast Bancorp Inc. and Union Trust Company, announced Tuesday that Northeast Bancorp has filed a motion for permission to amend and supplement its complaint against The Bank of New York Company Inc. for breach of contract arising out of Bank of New York's failure to maintain an adequate capital position to support approval by the Federal Reserve Board of Bank of New York's application to acquire Northeast.

The motion was filed in Connecticut District Court in New Haven.

On August 15, 1990, the Federal Reserve denied Bank of New York's application to acquire Northeast concluding that Bank of New York's proposal was inconsistent with the Federal Reserve's policy concerning an applicant's maintenance of a strong capital position. The Federal Reserve specifically pointed out that after the proposed acquisition, the combined organization's tangible capital ratio would not be substantially above the Federal Reserve's minimum capital levels and would be less than the current average levels of Bank of New York's peer group of the nation's largest regional banking organizations. In addition, the Federal Reserve found that Bank of New York's application was deficient because it failed to present any proposals to strengthen the combined organization's capital levels shortly after the consummation of a proposed acquisition.

The proposed amended complaint alleges that Bank of New York's acquisition of Irving Bank Corp. in 1988 reduced Bank of New York's capital levels below the requirements of the Federal Reserve Board. It also points out that in approving the acquisition of Irving Bank Corp. by Bank of New York the Federal Reserve made the approval subject to the fulfillment of certain commitments made by Bank of New York and the satisfaction of specific conditions established by the Federal Reserve and that such commitments and requirements were not fulfilled by Bank of New York. The complaint contends that Bank of New York knew or should have known that its acquisition of Irving Bank Corp. would severely impair its capital levels so that Bank of New York could not perform its obligations under the agreement it had entered into with Northeast Bancorp in 1983.

Northeast Chairman Kugler has written to J. Carter Bacot, the chairman of the board of The Bank of New York, and has demanded that Bank of New York immediately request reconsideration of the order of the Federal Reserve Board and present proposals to the Federal Reserve Board to strengthen the capital levels of the combined organization to achieve a tangible common equity to assets ratio of 4.1 percent as required by its earlier agreement with the Federal Reserve Board.

CONTACT: Northeast Bancorp, Shelton, Conn.
John C. Kline, 203/929-5552 ext. 4270

-30- 3091
#90247b0824 09/04/1990 ~Business Wire
FORT MITCHELL, KY (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Sunrise Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: SRSL) announced Tuesday that its board of directors has declared a cash dividend of $.125 per share payable to stockholders of record as of Oct. 3 1990. The cash dividend, which is the first paid by the company, will be paid on Oct. 17, 1990.

James C. Davis, president of the company, noted that the board of directors has determined that it is in the best interest of the company to establish a policy of paying quarterly cash dividends subject to favorable operating results, tax considerations and other factors.

The board of directors of Sunrise Bancorp Inc. have also declared a 1-for-20 stock split in the form of a five percent stock dividend. The stock dividend will be payable to stockholders of record on Oct. 3, 1990, and will be paid to such stockholders on Oct. 17, 1990. Cash will be paid in lieu of any fractional shares.

Sunrise Bancorp Inc. is the holding company of Sunrise Bank for Savings, F.S.B., which conducts business through seven offices in Kenton, Campbell and Boone counties. As of June 30, 1990, Sunrise Bancorp Inc. had total assets of approximately $272 million. Total savings were approximately $240 million.

CONTACT: Sunrise Bancorp Inc., Fort Mitchell, James C. Davis, (606) 331-6565.

-30- 1502
#90247b0825 09/04/1990 ~Business Wire
CAMBRIDGE, MA (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Tuesday announced that its LotusWorks and Magellan(r) products have been selected as the leading software solutions for IBM's PS/2(r) personal computer users.

From Sept. 4 through Jan. 15, 1991, these Lotus(r) products will be bundled with selected PS/2s (Models 25 through 65) purchased through IBM's authorized dealer network as part of IBM's ''Grand Scale Sale'' promotion announced today.

''LotusWorks and Magellan are ideal software packages for meeting the PS/2 user's business challenges,'' said Woody Bensen, director of OEM sales and marketing at Lotus. ''With the leadership and quality that stands behind the names Lotus and IBM, PS/2 purchasers can feel confident they're getting a superior small business hardware and software solution.''

''IBM's ''Grand Scale Sale'' includes some of the finest software

available for the Personal System/2 to help home and business professionals manage their businesses,'' said Winnie Brine, director of Personal Systems for IBM's US Marketing & Services. ''With this special offer of free software and easy financing, customers can take advantage of a great deal and reach new levels of productivity and efficiency.''

Lotus has also developed an exclusive installation program for the PS/2 promotion. LotusInstall guides users through the installation of all six software products included in the package: Magellan and LotusWorks; Quicken(r) by Intuit; PFS:(r) First Publisher by Software Publishing; Calendar Creator Plus by Power Up! Software Corp; and PGA TOUR Golf(r) by PGA Tour, Inc. LotusInstall also includes a menu program that lists all six bundled software programs on the PS/2 user's screen for easy selection.

LotusWorks offers small and home businesses an all-in-one program that includes a word processor with spell checker and thesaurus, database manager, spreadsheet, graphics, and communication capabilities. The package is easy enough for first-time computer users to learn and use, and offers full-featured help and starter applications. LotusWorks is the only entry-level integrated software package that offers full compatibility with Lotus 1-2-3(r) and Ashton-Tate's dBase(r).

Lotus Magellan 2.0 is an award-winning utility program that lets users find, view and use information on the hard disk of their computers. Magellan lets users search for files containing specific words or phrases and launch directly into an application with a single keystroke. It also contains a full set of DOS utilities for easy file maintenance.

Purchasers of the PS/2-Lotus bundle will receive 30 days of toll-free telephone support from Lotus. After that, users can purchase Lotus PROMPT support service for a special $49 price. PS/2 customers will also receive a free, six-month subscription to LOTUS Magazine.

Lotus Development Corp. is the leading provider of applications software for personal computers and information services delivered on CD-ROM, and is a worldwide supplier of applications software for workstations, minicomputers and mainframes.

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Raymond F. Meurer
IBM
914-642-5457

-30- 3912
#90247c0002 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Triple Threat Enterprises Inc. filed a form S-1 registration statement, proposing to offer 1 million units.

Each unit consists of four shares of common stock and four redeemable Class A warrants.

It is anticipated that the initial public offering price will be $5 per unit.

Triple Threat Enterprises is engaged in providing management and training services, as well as facilities and career business advice, to professional boxers.

D.H. Blair & Co. is underwriting the offering.

Triple Threat Enterprises Inc.'s executive office is located at 61 Freeman Street, Newark, NJ 07105 and its telephone number is (201) 762-1355.

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#90247c0003 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Grant-Norpac Inc. filed a form S-1 registration statement offering to sell 4.0 million shares.

It is estimated that the initial public offering price of the common stock will be between $10 and $12 per share.

Grant-Norpac Inc. is an international land geophysical services company involved in generating, collecting, computer processing and marketing of seismic data.

Salomon Brothers Inc. and Howard, Weil, Labouisse and Friedrichs Inc. are managing the offering.

Grant- Norpac Inc.'s executive office is located at 10550 Richmond Ave., Suite 300, Houston, Texas 77042 and its telephone number is (713) 781-4000.

-30- 875
#90247c0004 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows the Portside Group Inc. filed a form S-18 registration statement in which it seeks to offer 1.0 million units of Portside Group Inc. to its shareholders as of Aug. 30, 1990.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock of Portside Group Inc. and two redeemable common stock purchase warrants.

Since its organization, Portside Group Inc. has not been engaged in any business activities and has earned no income.

It intends to seek a business acquisition or combination with a presently unidentified, privately held business.

Portside Group Inc.'s executive office is located at 4507 Spencer Street, Suite 208, Torrance, CA 90503, and its telephone number is (213) 534-8999.

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#90247c0005 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Coventry Corp. filed a Form S-1 registration statement proposing to offer an as yet undetermined number of public shares.

No price has been set for the shares.

Coventry Corp. is a managed health care company that provides a wide range of health care benefit options to a broad cross-section of employer groups through three market-leading regional health maintenance organizations, and a vertically integrated national health benefits company operating in 42 states.

Dean Witter Reynolds, Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette and Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. are underwriting the offering.

Coventry Corp.'s executive office is located at 424 Church Street, Suite 2600, Nashville, TN 37219 and its telephone number is (615) 251-5500.

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#90247c0006 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ALLEGHANY CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 768,118 SHARES (10.70%) OF CYCLOPS INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: CYC) OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Alleghany purchased 162,528 shares on Aug. 20, 1990 for $20.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

To acquire equity interest in Cyclops Industries Inc.

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#90247c0008 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY L.D. BRINKMAN OWNS 250,000 SHARES (5.80%) OF FARM & HOME FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: FAHS) OF NEVADA, MO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 24-29, 1990, Brinkman sold 46,668 shares for $9 per share. On Aug. 27, 1990, LDB Corp. sold 33,475 shares for $9 per share.

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#90247c0009 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

D.F. MOOREHEAD JR OWNS 789,420 SHARES (28.10%) OF USA WASTE SERVICES INC (TICKER: USAS) OF NORMAN, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

D.F. Moorehead Jr. has pledged securities of firms other than USA Waste Services Inc. to obtain loans to acquire the shares but has pledged the shares to a third party to secure his guaranty of USA's performance of an

agreement The stake of D.F. Moorehead Jr. is expected to increase to 1,260,139 shares on or before Aug. 15, 1991, representing 44.9 percent.

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#90247c0010 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY W.S. FRIEDMAN OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,858,864 SHARES (28.20%) OF AMERICAN REALTY TR (TICKER: ARB) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

W.S. Friedman purchased 276,800 shares from Aug. 6-24, 1990 for $2.38 to $3.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment and to better align the interests of NRA with shareholders of the Trust.

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#90247c0011 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 29, 1990, Kansas City Power & Light Co.(TICKER: KAN) released a letter from the president and CEO of KCPL to the chairman and president of Kansas Gas & Electric (TICKER: KSGE) outlining his intentions to discuss a merger or business combination.

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#90247c0012 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.A. NOELSEN OF 333 KIMBERLY DR, CAROL STREAM, IL 60188, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF REGENT ENTERPRISES INC.(TICKER: RGTE) THROUGH

UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 27, 1990.

(REGENT ENTERPRISES INC. TEL: 708 682-9955)

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#90247c0013 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PORCARI FEARNOW ADVISORS INC OF 5251 WESTHEIMER #830, HOUSTON, TX 77056, HAS FILED TO SELL 42,188 SHARES OF UNICO INC. (TICKER: UICO) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 27 1990.

(UNICO INC. TEL: 505 326-2668)

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#90247c0014 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BORU MANAGEMENT LTD OF 3791 WEST 41ST AVE, VANCOUVER BC CANADA, OV, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF AVINO MINES & RESOURCE LTD. (TICKER: AVMR) THROUGH LOM WESTERN SECS LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 22, 1990.

(AVINO MINES & RESOURCE LTD. TEL: 604 682-3701)

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#90247c0016 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.D. OLIVER OF 10200 W 44TH AVE #400, WHEAT RIDGE, CO 80033, HAS FILED TO SELL 452,000 SHARES OF CITATION EQUITY CORP. THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 27, 1990.

(CITATION EQUITY CORP. TEL: 303 422-2135)

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#90247c0017 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.M. RICHEY OF 6614 STUART CT, ARVADA, CO 80003, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF PATRIOT FINANCIAL CORP. THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 27, 1990.

(PATRIOT FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 619 679-0504)

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#90247c0018 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.J. HOLLADAY OF 1556 WEST 1170 N, PROVO, UT 84604, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN CONSOLIDATED MINING CO. THROUGH WASATCH STOCK TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 27, 1990.

(AMERICAN CONSOLIDATED MINING CO. TEL: 801 785-7536)

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#90247c0019 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,942,820 SHARES (7.16%) OF QUAKER STATE CORP (TICKER: KSF).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 2 to Aug. 28, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 179,600 shares and sold 49,580 shares for $9.63 to $12.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

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#90247c0020 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 3,898,720 SHARES (16.57%) OF THE LVI GROUP INC (TICKER: LVI) OF NORTH HILLS, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 3 to Aug. 27, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 28,000 shares and sold 202,100 shares for $.19 to $1.73 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

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#90247c0021 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 27

GROUP LED BY VALHI INC OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 12,500,000 SHARES (19.80%) OF LOCKHEED CORP (TICKER: LK) OF CALABASAS, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 29, 1990, J. Landis Martin sent a letter to Daniel Tellep outlining a proposal to purchase certain shares from Lockheed Corp.'s ESOP for $35 per share, or alternatively, on the open market. On Aug. 22, 1990, NL amended its complaint against Lockheed Corp. and its directors challenging the results of Lockheed Corp.'s annual meeting on Mar. 29, 1990. The amended complaint alleges that Lockheed Corp.'s directors breached their fiduciary duties in creating Lockheed Corp.'s ESOP and manipulating the rights.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Valhi Inc. purchased 510,700 shares from Aug. 15-29, 1990 for $26.25 to $28.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

To increase equity investment.

-30- 1016
#90247c0022 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, A.J. BOWS, DIR. OF CAGLE'S INC. (TICKER: CGLA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,715.

-30- 287
#90247c0024 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 5, 1990, G.P. MEHL, CHAIRMAN OF MCS TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: MTEL) BOUGHT 319,963 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 319,963.

-30- 335
#90247c0025 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 29, 1990, D. ATTAR, DIR. OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. BOUGHT 14,566,987 SHARES AT $0.11 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90247c0026 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 29, 1990, D. ATTAR, DIR. OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. BOUGHT 16,525,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,186,688.

-30- 326
#90247c0027 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - Bancshares takeover Shareholders of Farmers & Merchants Bank-Eastern Shore (TICKER: MRBK), an Olney, Va., bank will vote at a special meeting October 15 on the proposed acquisition of the bank by Baltimore-based Mercantile Bankshares Corp. in a stock swap, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 30, 1990

-30- 589
#90247c0028 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - Allercare/NSL Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Lincolnwood, Ill.-based Allercare Inc.(TICKER: ALLR), has agreed to sell inventory, equipment and trademarks associated with its Protex and Lady Protex condom line to Schmid Laboratories Inc. of Little Falls, N.J., for $4 million cash, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 30, 1990

-30- 597
#90247c0029 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - Sutton Holding Corp., a New York investment company that fought for more than eight months to acquire Desoto Inc.(TICKER: DSO), said certain Sutton shareholders are interested in buying Desoto's detergent business and any other assets that remain after its recent liquidation sale.

Sutton had offered $50 a share to buy Des Plaines, Ill.-based Desoto, which had been a paint manufacturer.

In fending off Sutton's overtures, Desoto sold off most of its assets, leaving only the detergent business and certain marketable securities.

Sutton was formed by William Spier and Michael Zurawin, former investment bankers with Goldman, Sachs & Co.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 30, 1990.

-30- 928
#90247c0030 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY ORTON/MCCULLOUGH CRANE CO INC OWNS 217,102 SHARES (11.16%) OF HEIN WERNER CORP (TICKER: HNW) OF WAUKESHA, WI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 21 and 24, 1990, Orton/McCullough Crane Co. Inc. purchased 136,000 shares of stock at a price of $7.18 to $7.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 533
#90247c0032 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

D. DANN COLLINS OWNS 116,400 SHARES (4.70%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC
(TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 20, 1990, Mrs. Collins ceased to be the beneficial owner of more
than five percent of class A stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 20, 19990, Mrs. Collins sold 80,5000 shares of class A stock at
$8.75 per share and 5,600 shares of preferred stock at $35.25 per shares.

-30- 612
#90247c0033 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 20, 1990, Mrs. Collins ceased to be the beneficial owner of more
than five percent of class A stock in Signal Apparel Co. Inc.(TICKER: SIA).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 20, 19990, Mrs. Collins sold 80,5000 shares of class A stock at
$8.75 per share and 5,600 shares of preferred stock at $35.25 per shares.

-30- 539
#90247c0034 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

D.D. COLLINS OWNS 116,400 SHARES (15.10%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC
(TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 20, 1990, Mrs. Collins ceased to be the beneficial owner of more
than five percent of class A stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 20, 1990, Mrs. Collins sold 80,5000 shares of class A stock at $8.75 per share and 5,600 shares of preferred stock at $35.25 per shares.

-30- 607
#90247c0035 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J. ZUCKER OWNS 221,975 SHARES (9.53%) OF SOUTH CAROLINA FEDERAL CORP (TICKER: SCFB) OF COLUMBIA, SC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 378
#90247c0036 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL R NAKONECHNY OF P O BOX 477, VALLEY FORGE, PA 19481, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(MENTOR CORP. (MN) TEL: 805 967-3451)

-30- 415
#90247c0037 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCOTT BECKER OF 105 MOHAWK DR, CLARENDON HILLS, IL 60514, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,984 SHARES OF HEALTHCARE COMPARE CORP. (TICKER: HCCC) THROUGH WIG SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(HEALTHCARE COMPARE CORP. TEL: 708 719-9000)

-30- 425
#90247c0038 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIRBY WELLS OF 2001 SILVER AVE, LAS VEGAS, NV 89102, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CELLCOM CORP. (TICKER: CLCM) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE

FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(CELLCOM CORP. TEL: 201 828-1121)

-30- 382
#90247c0040 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J STADNIK OF 8901 PETERBOROUGH DR, LOUISVILLE, KY 40222, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF VENCOR CORP. (TICKER: VCOR) THROUGH J C BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(VENCOR CORP. TEL: 502 569-7300)

-30- 402
#90247c0041 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOACHIM KEMPIN OF 9033 LAKE WASHINGTON BLVD, 0, BELLEVUE, WA 98004, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,544 SHARES OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(MICROSOFT CORP. TEL: 206 882-8080)

-30- 407
#90247c0042 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KEITH L THOMSON OF 3135 NW CIRCLE A DR, PORTLAND, OR 97229, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,251 SHARES OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(INTEL CORP. TEL: 408 765-1292)

-30- 390
#90247c0043 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT C WILSON OF C/O WILSON & CHAMBERS, 3000 SAND HILL RD, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF STORAGE TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: STK) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(STORAGE TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 303 673-3065)

-30- 450
#90247c0044 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD J LEACH OF 127 BELRIDGE DR, LOS GATOS, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 453-7300)

-30- 404
#90247c0045 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERIC J WALTER OF 2285 ARMADA WAY, SAN MATEO, CA 94404, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,206 SHARES OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(ELECTRONIC ARTS TEL: 415 571-7171)

-30- 405
#90247c0046 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SIBLEY JOHN A EST OF 25 PARK PL NE, ATLANTA, GA 30303, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,700 SHARES OF SUNTRUST BANKS INC. (TICKER: STI) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(SUNTRUST BANKS INC. TEL: 404 588-7425)

-30- 416
#90247c0048 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD F WASSERMAN OF 281 HOLDEN WOOD RD, CONCORD, MA 01742, HAS FILED TO SELL 56,500 SHARES OF UNITRODE CORP. (TICKER: UTR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(UNITRODE CORP. TEL: 617 861-6540)

-30- 401
#90247c0049 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD ROTH OF 5560 WEST OAKLAND PARK BLVD, FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33313, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CATALINA LIGHTING INC. (TICKER: LTG) THROUGH WERBEL ROTH SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27 1990.

(CATALINA LIGHTING INC. TEL: 305 558-4777)

-30- 435
#90247c0050 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOAN R CHALLINOR OF 3117 HAWTHORNE ST NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20008, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. TEL: 305 376-3800)

-30- 422
#90247c0051 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD H AKERS OF 811 WAYSIDE RD, PORTOLA VALLEY, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MENTOR GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MENT) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(MENTOR GRAPHICS CORP. TEL: 503 626-7000)

-30- 429
#90247c0052 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DARRELL J BELL OF 12 RIVER MOUNTAIN RD, LITTLE ROCK, AR 72212, HAS FILED TO SELL 157,300 SHARES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS CO. (TICKER: ESC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS CO. TEL: 501 223-4100)

-30- 439
#90247c0053 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLINTON H HOWARD OF 1300 EAST ROCHELLE BLVD, 0, IRVING, TX 75062, HAS FILED TO SELL 64,100 SHARES OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 214 541-2278)

-30- 456
#90247c0054 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GORDON C LUCE OF 369 SILVERGATE AVE, SAN DIEGO, CA 92106, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,400 SHARES OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL) THROUGH WEDBUSH MORGAN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(MAIL BOXES ETC. TEL: 619 452-1553)

-30- 406
#90247c0056 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEAN E SMITH OF P O BOX 270197, DALLAS, TX 75227, HAS FILED TO SELL 44,797 SHARES OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(URANIUM RESOURCES INC. TEL: 214 559-2349)

-30- 412
#90247c0057 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COURTLANDT G MILLER OF 650 FIFTH AVE, SUITE 1701, NEW YORK, NY 10019 HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DIAGNOSTEK INC. (TICKER: DXTK) THROUGH SOUTHWEST SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(DIAGNOSTEK INC. TEL: 505 345-8080)

-30- 415
#90247c0058 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W MICHAEL BLUMENTHAL OF C/O LAZARD FRERES & CO, ONE ROCKFELLER PLAZA, NEW YORK, NY 10020, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF UNISYS CORP.

(TICKER: UIS) THROUGH LAZARD FRERES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(UNISYS CORP. TEL: 215 986-5777)

-30- 429
#90247c0059 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W MICHAEL BLUMENTHAL OF C/O LAZARD FRERES & CO, ONE ROCKFELLER PLAZA, NEW YORK, NY 10020, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF UNISYS CORP. (TICKER: UIS) THROUGH LAZARD FRERES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(UNISYS CORP. TEL: 215 986-5777)

-30- 429
#90247c0060 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN S KAPLAN OF 25 QUIDNIC RD, WABAN, MA 02168, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,000 SHARES OF ECC INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ECC) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(ECC INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 215 687-2600)

-30- 412
#90247c0061 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DALE G TUCKER OF 23892 VIA NAVARRA, MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,250 SHARES OF LARSON-DAVIS INC. (TICKER: LDII) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(LARSON-DAVIS INC. TEL: 801 375-0177)

-30- 410
#90247c0062 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JULIE W INGRAM OF 2200 ROSS AVE STE 4300E LB169, DALLAS, TX 75201, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,000 SHARES OF IMCO RECYCLING INC. (TICKER: IMRI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(IMCO RECYCLING INC. TEL: 214 869-6575)

-30- 421
#90247c0064 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H L KILHEFNER OF 332 EAST CEDAR ST, NEW HOLLAND, PA 17557, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HOMG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. TEL: 305 983-0350)

-30- 420
#90247c0065 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT H SPIERS III OF 1011 ERICA RD, MILL VALLEY, CA 94941, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF ERC ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY SERVI (TICKER: ERCE) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(ERC ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY SERVI TEL: 703 246-0500)

-30- 464
#90247c0066 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BROBERG JACK M TRUST OF 1010 W 2610 SOUTH, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84119, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF JB'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: JBBB) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(JB'S RESTAURANTS INC. TEL: 801 974-4300)

-30- 440
#90247c0067 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAJESH T GANATRA OF 6017 LAKE FOREST DR, APT #201, CHARLOTTE, NC 28227, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ACC CORP. (TICKER: ACCC) THROUGH NEEDHAM & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(ACC CORP. TEL: 716 987-3000)

-30- 395
#90247c0068 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SARLA T GANATRA OF 6017 LAKE FOREST DR, APT #201, CHARLOTTE, NC 28227, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ACC CORP. (TICKER: ACCC) THROUGH NEEDHAM & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(ACC CORP. TEL: 716 987-3000)

-30- 394
#90247c0069 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BEVERIDGE CRAWFORD TRUST OF 2550 GARCIA AVE, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043 HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC (TICKER: SUNW) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC TEL: 415 960-1300)

-30- 445
#90247c0070 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN JANES OF 504 PACHECO AVE, SANTA CRUZ, CA 95061, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 453-1700)

-30- 401
#90247c0072 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY A ZAMBON OF 10260 VIKING DR, STE 100, EDEN PRAIRIE, MN 55344, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BUFFETS INC. (TICKER: BOCB) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(BUFFETS INC. TEL: 612 942-9760)

-30- 406
#90247c0073 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL A GREENBERG OF 6 LONGMEADOW RD, WINNETKA, IL 60093, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT) THROUGH VAN KASPER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(INCOMNET INC. TEL: 818 707-4141)

-30- 401
#90247c0074 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD E JASPER OF 1826 ALAMEDA, DAVIS, CA 95616, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF CASCADE IMPORTERS INC. (TICKER: KOSM) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(CASCADE IMPORTERS INC. TEL: 407 338-8278)

-30- 421
#90247c0075 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFF FISHMAN OF 2122 HUBBARD ST, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84108, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,000 SHARES OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. TEL: 801 532-7526)

-30- 417
#90247c0076 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLAIRE GURSON OF 14 LAKE RD, GREAT NECK, NY 11020, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 412
#90247c0077 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHRISTOPHER LAUBACH OF 22525 PACIFIC COAST HWY #202, MALIBU, CA 90260, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF SGI INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SGII)

THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27 1990.

(SGI INTERNATIONAL TEL: 619 452-0841)

-30- 422
#90247c0078 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARPENTIER ARTHUR TRUST OF 111 BAUER DR, OAKLAND, NJ 07436, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF RUSS BERRIE & CO. (TICKER: RUS) THROUGH VANGUARD DISC BRKG. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(RUSS BERRIE & CO. TEL: 201 337-9000)

-30- 425
#90247c0080 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - & YOUNG ERNST OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 411
#90247c0081 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK T CALLAHAN OF 909 EAST LAS COLINAS BLVD, SUITE 1900, LB-44, IRVING, TX 75039, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(GREINER ENGINEERING INC. TEL: 214 869-1001)

-30- 456
#90247c0082 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CYPRESS INVESTMENTS BVI LTD OF 4050 SW 11TH TERRACE, FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33315, HAS FILED TO SELL 102,224 SHARES OF BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: BV) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. TEL: 305 524-8200)

-30- 484
#90247c0083 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CONTINENTAL MIB OF 1111 WEST MOCKINGBIRD #915, DALLAS, TX 75247, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE (TICKER: SPCL) THROUGH KNIBBE FNCL GRP INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE TEL: 214 630-9825)

-30- 466
#90247c0084 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - & YOUNG ERNST OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 235,000 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 411
#90247c0085 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SIGI ZIERING OF 720 N WALDEN DR, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,600 SHARES OF DIAGNOSTIC PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: DP) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(DIAGNOSTIC PRODUCTS CORP. TEL: 213 776-0180)

-30- 418
#90247c0086 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS R HIX OF 16001 PARK TEN PLACE #600, HOUSTON, TX 77084, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,917 SHARES OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27 1990.

(OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 713 578-8868)

-30- 440
#90247c0088 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MOHAMMAD A SHUAIB OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,257 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 411
#90247c0089 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALTER BAUMGARTNER OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,890 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 421
#90247c0090 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S A SIFCORP OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,512 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 408
#90247c0091 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EARL E BAKKEN OF 5424 WEST BAVARIAN PASS, FRIDLEY, MN 55432, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,500 SHARES OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(MEDTRONIC INC. TEL: 612 574-4000)

-30- 403
#90247c0092 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - LISA BROWN OF P O BOX 6003, LONGMONT, CO 80501, HAS FILED TO SELL 800,000 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH R B MARICH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 365
#90247c0093 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MATTHEW JAMES RAINWATER TRUST OF 2707 NORTH LOOP W, SUITE 1050, HOUSTON, TX 77008, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF ENTERRA CORP. (TICKER: EN) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(ENTERRA CORP. TEL: 713 864-8700)

-30- 439
#90247c0094 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELIZABETH RAINWATER TRU COURTNEY OF 2707 NORTH LOOP WEST STE 1059, P O BO HOUSTON, TX 77251, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF ENTERRA CORP. (TICKER: EN) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(ENTERRA CORP. TEL: 817 877-0477)

-30- 434
#90247c0096 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD E RAINWATER OF 201 MAIN, SUITE 2000, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF ENTERRA CORP. (TICKER: EN) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(ENTERRA CORP. TEL: 713 864-8700)

-30- 408
#90247c0097 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LIBERTY SERVICE CORP OF 8840 WILSHIRE BLVD, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90211, HAS FILED TO SELL 130,662 SHARES OF IDEX CORP. (TICKER: IEX) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(IDEX CORP. TEL: 708 498-7070)

-30- 396
#90247c0098 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HILLMAN ANNE & COMSTOCK G TTEES OF 4200 BOHANNON DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(NETWORK GENERAL CORP. TEL: 415 688-2700)

-30- 459
#90247c0099 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAY L FEDERMAN OF 1810 DELANCEY PLACE, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 647-8277)

-30- 458
#90247c0100 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WOLFGANG A MACK OF 959 SCIOTO DR, FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417, HAS FILED TO SELL 52,620 SHARES OF POLYMERIX INC. (TICKER: PLXX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(POLYMERIX INC. TEL: 201 633-7600)

-30- 401
#90247c0101 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PRENTISS S UCHIDA OF 123 SEA STEPPES CT, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 161,250 SHARES OF POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. (TICKER: PMCX)

THROUGH PATRICK T SULLIVAN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. TEL: 517 790-4764)

-30- 427
#90247c0102 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BRUM OF 33 OLD FARM RD, GREAT NECK, NY 11020, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 413
#90247c0104 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALF D W HADDOCK OF 301 COMMERCE ST, SUITE 2700, FORT WORTH, TX 76109, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,091 SHARES OF ENTERRA CORP. (TICKER: EN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(ENTERRA CORP. TEL: 713 864-8700)

-30- 405
#90247c0105 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MORTON GLASSMAN OF 31-90 140TH ST, FLUSHING, NY 11354, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 418
#90247c0106 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GRISAFI ENTERPRISES INC OF 12 VERONICA COURT, SMITHTOWN, NY 11787, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 433
#90247c0107 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES BEDERMAN OF 37-50 RAILROAD AVE, LONG ISLAND CITY, NY 11101, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 432
#90247c0108 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LISA KURTZ OF 75 WINDSOR AVE, MINEOLA, NY 11501, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 22, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 409
#90247c0109 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROGER J SIPPL OF 116 FOX HOLLOW RD, WOODSIDE, CA 94062, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF INFORMIX CORP. (TICKER: IFMX) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(INFORMIX CORP. TEL: 415 322-4100)

-30- 401
#90247c0110 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALF D W HADDOCK OF 301 COMMERCE ST, SUITE 2700, FORT WORTH, TX 76109, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,110 SHARES OF ENTERRA CORP. (TICKER: EN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(ENTERRA CORP. TEL: 713 864-8700)

-30- 405
#90247c0112 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TOM HAMILTON OF P O BOX 2867, DURANGO, CO 81302, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,115 SHARES OF FIBERCHEM INC. (TICKER: FOCS) THROUGH PRIVATE INVESTORS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(FIBERCHEM INC. TEL: 702 361-9873)

-30- 391
#90247c0113 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EUGENE G MCCARTHY OF 1755 YORK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10128, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,250 SHARES OF POWER SPECTRA INC. (TICKER: PWSP) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(POWER SPECTRA INC. TEL: 415 490-6961)

-30- 414
#90247c0114 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH J MCDOWELL OF 1715 WYATT DR, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SOLITEC INC. (TICKER: SOLI) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(SOLITEC INC. TEL: 408 980-1355)

-30- 401
#90247c0115 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MELISSA WEINBERG OF 10165 N W 43RD ST, CORAL SPRINGS, FL 33065, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 305 964-3666)

-30- 446
#90247c0116 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AMY E WEINBERG OF 10165 N W 43RD ST, CORAL SPRINGS, FL 33065, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 305 964-3666)

-30- 446
#90247c0117 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT FEUCHTER OF 6431 ORANGE HILL LANE, 0, CARMICHAEL, CA 95608, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 466
#90247c0118 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT L FROME OF 505 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH HILL THOMPSON MAGID. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 413
#90247c0120 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DRURY J GALLAGHER OF 438 WEST 37TH ST, SUITE 5H, NEW YORK, NY 10018, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF POWER SPECTRA INC. (TICKER: PWSP) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(POWER SPECTRA INC. TEL: 415 490-6961)

-30- 425
#90247c0121 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLAIRE C HAY OF 1002 MAPLETON AVE, BOULDER, CO 80304, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CELL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 303 443-8155)

-30- 409
#90247c0122 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES B HAY OF 1002 MAPLETON AVE, BOULDER, CO 80304, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CELL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 303 443-8155)

-30- 408
#90247c0123 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHRISTINE D COPPLE OF 821 STRAWBERRY HILL RD, CONCORD, MA 01742, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,027 SHARES OF BIOTECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: BIOD) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(BIOTECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORP. TEL: 617 965-7255)

-30- 456
#90247c0124 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARL S ANSELMO OF 5249 VALLEY VIEW RD, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA 90274 HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF VERITEC INC. (TICKER: VERI) THROUGH HERZOG HEINE GEDULD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(VERITEC INC. TEL: 818 407-8783)

-30- 410
#90247c0125 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SPENST HANSEN OF 3805 ALTURUS WEST, TACOMA, WA 98466, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CENTURION MINES CORP. (TICKER: CTMC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 27, 1990.

(CENTURION MINES CORP. TEL: 801 534-1120)

-30- 410
#90247c0126 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HARRY F HIXSON, PRES. OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN), SOLD 28,000 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90247c0128 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, AUGUSTUS A WHITE III, DIR. OF AMERICAN SHARED HOSPITAL SERVICES (TICKER: AMS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 336
#90247c0129 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WELCOM H WATSON, DIR. OF CALFED INC. (TICKER: CAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 296
#90247c0130 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JEFFREY J LONSDALE, VP OF COMDISCO INC. (TICKER: CDO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 302
#90247c0131 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN W SCOTT, VP OF CPC INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CPC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $77.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,059.

-30- 299

#90247c0132 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, RICHARD L CRANDALL, PRES. OF COMSHARE INC. (TICKER: CSRE), SOLD 10,600 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 263,718.

-30- 326
#90247c0133 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, PETE L STEPHENS, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL TECTONICS CORP. (TICKER: ENVT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90247c0134 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, PETE L STEPHENS, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL TECTONICS CORP. (TICKER: ENVT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90247c0136 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ALBERT H SPIERS III, VP OF ERC ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY SERVICES CO. (TICKER: ERCE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90247c0137 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ALBERT H SPIERS III, VP OF ERC ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY SERVICES CO. (TICKER: ERCE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 345
#90247c0138 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, HENRY H GOLDBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 234,865.

-30- 333
#90247c0139 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HERBERT G TAUS, PRES. OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90247c0140 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HERBERT G TAUS, PRES. OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90247c0141 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HERBERT G TAUS, PRES. OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90247c0142 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:30 that trade in Brush Creek Mining & Development Co. (NASDAQ: BCMD) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 1 1/4, 1 3/8. The company is located in Grass Valley, CA.

-30- 391
#90247c0144 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HERBERT G TAUS, PRES. OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 196,033.

-30- 298
#90247c0145 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, CHARLES B PRESLEY, DIR. OF MERRY LAND & INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: MERY), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,767.

-30- 336
#90247c0146 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DENIS E RIBORDY, DIR. OF NIPSCO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,611.

-30- 309
#90247c0147 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DARRELL R RAINS, VP OF PALFED INC. (TICKER: PALM), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,205.

-30- 288
#90247c0148 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 18, 1989, ROBERT A HANSON, DIR. OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $66.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 309
#90247c0149 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RODERIC H ROSS, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 305
#90247c0150 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ROBERT C DALESIO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90247c0152 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ROBERT C DALESIO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $1.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90247c0153 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT C DALESIO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $1.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 329,380.

-30- 334
#90247c0154 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 16, 1990, JOHN G RAOS, DIR. OF SMITH CORONA CORP. (TICKER: SCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 304
#90247c0155 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 16, 1990, JOHN G RAOS, DIR. OF SMITH CORONA CORP. (TICKER: SCO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90247c0156 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 16, 1990, JOHN G RAOS, DIR. OF SMITH CORONA CORP. (TICKER: SCO), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,077.

-30- 302
#90247c0157 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,449,080.

-30- 361
#90247c0158 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, KENNETH R ADAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SUNGARD DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SNDT), SOLD 8,718 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,750.

-30- 373
#90247c0160 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1989, COMMONWEALTH BIOVENTURES I L P, BEN. OWNER OF TRANSGENIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: TSIN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 697,776.

-30- 388
#90247c0161 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT A LAHR, PRES. OF TUBOSCOPE CORP. (TICKER: TUBO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90247c0162 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT A LAHR, PRES. OF TUBOSCOPE CORP. (TICKER: TUBO), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $9.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 127,287.

-30- 303
#90247c0163 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WILLIAM V LARKIN, VP OF TUBOSCOPE CORP. (TICKER: TUBO), SOLD 8,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,770.

-30- 302
#90247c0164 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, E WAYNE OVERMAN, VP OF TUBOSCOPE CORP. (TICKER: TUBO), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,270.

-30- 302
#90247c0165 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, LOUIS T MASTOS, DIR. OF WESTERN ACCEPTANCE CORP. (TICKER: WACO), BOUGHT 769,000 SHARES AT $0.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,217,656.

-30- 332
#90247c0166 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, WILLIAM B CASWELL, VP OF WESTCOAST ENERGY INC. (TICKER: WE), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,618.

-30- 316
#90247c0168 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 30:

Cordero Industries Inc. (CCCIE); Not current in required filings
Margaux Inc. (MRGX); Capital and surplus below minimum
Mustang Companies Inc. (MUST); Co. request - pursuant to plan of merger

-30- 421
#90247c0169 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 4:

Cencor Inc. (CNCR) to (CNCRD) - (1 to 5 reverse split)
Jean Phillippe Fragrances Inc. (JEAND) to (JEAN)
Secom General Corp. (SECM) to WI (3 for 100 reverse split) (SECMV)
Uranium Resources Inc. - New (URIXD) to (URIX)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Aug. 31:

Chemex Pharmaceuticals Inc. (CHMX) to (CHMXC)
Dynamic Classics Ltd. (DYNCE) to (DYNC)
Diversified Retail Group Inc. (DRGX) to (DRGXQ)
Schield Management Company (SMCC) to (SMCCC)
United Federal Savings & Loan Assn. of Rocky Mountain (UFRM) to United Federal Savings Bank (Rocky Mountain) (UFRM)

-30- 842

#90247c0170 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Flamemaster Corp.(TICKER: FAME) replaced its former accounting firm, Ernst & Young, with Deloitte & Touche, effective Aug. 22, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 552

#90247c0171 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Delaware Savings Bank, F.S.B. was directed by the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) to establish specific valuation allowances in the amount of $602,043 and additional valuation allowances in the amount of $774,357.

The bank has also followed directions from the OTS in January, 1990, to write off loan loss deferrals in the amount of $346,000.

-30- 568

#90247c0172 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Assix International (TICKER: ASIX) has accepted the resignation of George Karpay for personal reasons, effective Aug. 24, 1990.

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#90247c0173 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:10 that trade in Brush Creek Mining & Development Co.(NASDAQ: BCMD) has been resumed. The first bid was 1 1/2; up 1/4 from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90247c0174 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

ANNOUNCEMENT:

NII (TICKER: NII) announced that the Delaware Court has asked for more information to be presented in Sept. 4, 1990 in the hearing relating to the settlement of litigation. NII also extended the contingent value rights for a minimum of ten days.

-30- 460
#90247c0176 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CARLEE ELECTRONICS PTE LTD OWNS 25,800,000 SHARES (64.50%) OF INTERDYNE CO (TICKER: IDYN) OF NEWBURY PARK, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 24, 1990, Carlee Electronics PTE LTD paid $500,000 for 19 million shares pursuant to the amended and restated plan of reorganization of Interdyne Co. Carlee Electronics PTE LTD will also receive 6.8 million shares in satisfaction of Carlee's $2,550,000 class 3 claim in the reorganization proceedings.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 690
#90247c0177 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY HEINE SECURITIES CORP OF SHORT HILLS, NJ OWNS 645,339 SHARES (5.40%) OF SOCIETY FOR SAVINGS BANCORP INC (TICKER: SOCS) OF HARTFORD, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The stake has previously been reported on schedule 13G. HSC has recently been informed that other parties have expressed dissatisfaction with the board of Society For Savings Bancorp Inc. and HSC believes that management should seek to maximize shareholder value, which could include a sale or spin off of Society For Savings Bancorp Inc.'s consumer finance business.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 792
#90247c0178 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY L. CHAVIN OWNS 150,000 SHARES (9.40%) OF GENERAL EMPLOYMENT ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: JOB) OF OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On June 15, 1990, L. Chavin entered a complaint for declaratory judgement and injunctive relief against General Employment Enterprises Inc. and each of the board members stating that the poison pill rights plan is ultra vires and invalid because it violates continuing constitutional guarantees of cumulative voting secured by the Illinois constitution, and that the adoption and implementation of the plan constitutes a breach of fiduciary duties. On Aug. 27, 1990, the court ruled that the claims should be brought in a derivative suit and granted Chavin leave to amend his complaint to include such derivative allegations, which he filed on Aug. 29, 1990. Chavin presently intends to seek representation on General Employment Enterprises Inc.'s board of directors and is considering whether to solicit proxies for such purpose at the next annual meeting.

PURPOSE:

Lawsuit.

-30- 1253
#90247c0179 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

R.W. ERIKSON OWNS 131,750 SHARES (41.84%) OF CERBCO (TICKER: CERB) OF BAILEYS CROSSROADS, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Mar. 12, 1990, R.W. Erikson and his brother, George Erikson (the "sellers") entered into a letter of intent with Insituform of North

America Inc., pursuant to which the sellers and INA expressed their mutual intention to effect a private sale of the 247,564 class B shares held by them to INA for $6 million in cash. The letter of intent, as amended by amendment four dated Aug. 24, 1990, would make INA a parent corporation of Cerbco Inc, with the sellers retaining 111,002 shares, representing 10 percent of the outstanding common shares. On Aug. 24, 1990, a complaint was filed alleging that the sellers have breached their fiduciary duties as directors and executives of Cerbco Inc. by allowing INA to obtain control of Cerbco Inc. without benefiting other shareholders. The plaintiffs also filed a motion for leave to conduct expedited discovery on Aug. 27, 1990, which was denied on Aug. 30, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Letter of intent.

-30- 1258
#90247c0180 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

G.WM. ERIKSON OWNS 115,814 SHARES (36.79%) OF CERBCO (TICKER: CERB) OF BAILEYS CROSSROADS, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Mar. 12, 1990, G. WM. Erikson and his brother, Robert Erikson (the "sellers") entered into a letter of intent with Insituform of North America Inc., pursuant to which the sellers and INA expressed their mutual intention to effect a private sale of the 247,564 class B shares held by them to INA for $6 million in cash. The letter of intent, as amended by amendment four dated Aug. 24, 1990, would make INA a parent corporation of Cerbco Inc., with the sellers retaining 111,002 shares, representing 10 percent of the outstanding common shares. On Aug. 24, 1990, a complaint was filed alleging that the sellers have breached their fiduciary duties as directors and executives of Cerbco Inc. by allowing INA to obtain control of Cerbco Inc. without benefiting other shareholders. The plaintiffs also filed a motion for leave to conduct expedited discovery on Aug. 27, 1990, which was denied on Aug. 30, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Letter of intent.

-30- 1266

#90247c0181 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY BAUPOST L P 1983 A-1 OF CAMBRIDGE, MA OWNS 79,600 SHARES (3.70%) OF MASSBANK CORP (TICKER: MASB) OF READING, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Baupost LP 1983 A-1 sold 30,000 shares on Aug. 24, 1990 for $14.88 per share.

-30- 438

#90247c0182 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

K.N. CUELLAR OWNS 43,336 SHARES (1.00%) OF EL CHICO CORP (TICKER: ELCH) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

From July 23-25, 1990, the Gilbert Cuellar Testmentary Trust, of which K.N. Cuellar is trustee, distributed 290,505 shares to certain beneficiaries of the trust, other than K.N. Cuellar. K.N. Cuellar ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the common stock of El Chico Corp. on July 23, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

K.N. Cuellar sold 28,700 shares from Feb. 21 to May 25, 1990 for $3 to $3.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 770

#90247c0184 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FIRSTAR CORP OF MILWAUKEE, WI OWNS 724,529 SHARES (19.90%) OF INC BANKS OF IOWA (TICKER: BIOW) OF DES MOINES, IA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Firstar Corp. has been granted an option to purchase 724,529 common shares of Banks of Iowa Inc. at $66 per share.

-30- 443
#90247c0185 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY R. KUMAR OWNS 10,414,600 SHARES (81.00%) OF LARRYS ICE CREAM INC (TICKER: LARY) OF TAMPA, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 25, 1990 Mr. and Mrs. Kumar announced to Larry's Ice Cream Inc. that they planned to seek a buyer for the entire interest in Larry's Ice Cream Inc. held by the Roger Kumar Trust.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares held by the Roger Kumar Trust.

-30- 575
#90247c0186 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.G. BENTON OWNS 286,041 SHARES (7.40%) OF HEALTH EQUITY PROPERTIES INC (TICKER: EQP) OF WINSTON-SALEM, NC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

ACREMS Inc., which previously served as advisor to Health Equity Properties Inc., received 216,446 common shares of Health Equity Properties Inc. in consideration for the termination of the advisory agreement with Health Equity Properties Inc.. ACREMS is a wholly owned subsidiary of Benton Investment Co. which is wholly owned by W.G. Benton.

PURPOSE:

Termination of advisory agreement.

-30- 739
#90247c0187 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

T.L. MASON OWNS 157,000 SHARES (2.90%) OF OZITE CORP (TICKER: DOCF) OF LIBERTYVILLE, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

T.L. Mason's interest in Ozite Corp. was reduced as a result of a merger and the issuance of shares in connection with the merger.

-30- 429
#90247c0188 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY KELSO MANAGEMENT CO OWNS 354,200 SHARES (9.90%) OF CARVER CORP (TICKER: CAVR) OF LYNWOOD, WA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 23, 1990 Kelso Management Co. purchased 60,000 shares at $3.19 each.

-30- 412
#90247c0189 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 228,300 SHARES (6.40%) OF CARVER CORP (TICKER: CAVR) OF LYNWOOD, WA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 6, 1990 and Aug. 13, 1990 Fidelity Int'l LTD purchased 29,100 shares at $4.05 to $4.18 per share.

-30- 447
#90247c0190 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 189,716 SHARES (9.46%) OF HOPPER SOLIDAY INC (TICKER: HS) OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 21, 1990 Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 1,000 shares at $2.50 each and between Aug. 28 and Aug. 29, 1990 sold 26,284 shares at $1.88 to $2.01 each.

-30- 522
#90247c0192 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY S. COHEN OWNS 1,222,000 SHARES (8.90%) OF WORDSTAR INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: WDST) OF NOVATO, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 21, 1990 Scone acquired 350,000 shares and Cohen acquired 650,000 shares at $1.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 470
#90247c0193 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

SHUFRO ROSE & EHRMAN OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 864,760 SHARES (15.57%) OF PACIFIC SCIENTIFIC CO (TICKER: PSX) OF NEWPORT BEACH, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 2, 1990 and August 23, 1990 Shufro Rose & Ehrman sold 26,100 shares at $10.38 to $14.50 per share.

-30- 484

#90247c0194 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - New York-based New Plan Realty Trust (TICKER: NPR) has acquired the 155,000 square-foot Central Avenue Market Place shopping center in Toledo, Ohio.

The acquisition was disclosed in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission that did not give the price.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on AUG. 31, 1990.

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#90247c0195 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:02 that trade in Healthco Int'l Inc.(NASDAQ: HLCO) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 17 1/2.

-30- 335

#90247c0196 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY FLF ASSOC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,520,000 SHARES (9.50%) OF BAYBANKS INC (TICKER: BBNK) OF BOSTON, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 2, 1990 and Aug. 24, 1990, FLF Assoc. purchased 1,346,000 shares at a price of $11.25 to $16 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 484
#90247c0197 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY FLF ASSOC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 804,700 SHARES (6.80%) OF EQUIMARK CORP (TICKER: EQK) OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 2, 1990 and Aug. 30, 1990, FLF Assoc. purchased 425,500 shares at a price of $3.38 to $5.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 490
#90247c0198 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY FLF ASSOC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 2,804,600 SHARES (5.60%) OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP (TICKER: CBK) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In June 1990, L.A. and P.R. Tisch entered into negotiations with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and Continental Bank Corp. with respect to the proposed purchase from the FDIC of 2,988,855 shares of Continental Bank Corp.'s common stock. The proposed acquisition was never consummated, and there is no contract, arrangement or understanding with respect to the securities of Continental Bank Corp. that were the subject of such proposal.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 1 and 23, 1990, FLF Assoc. purchased 1,114,500 shares at a price of $8.75 to $11.75 per share.

PURPOSE: Investment.

-30- 961
#90247c0200 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

N. BIASE OWNS 65,000 SHARES (2.03%) OF NEW YORK BANCORP INC (TICKER: NYBC) OF DOUGLASTON, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

N. Biase may seek election to New York Bancorp. Inc.'s board.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 23, 1990 N. Biase purchased 60,000 shares at $8.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Possible representation on New York Bancorp. Inc.'s board.

-30- 546
#90247c0201 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.J. HARVEY OWNS 275,000 SHARES (8.40%) OF OZITE CORP (TICKER: DOCF) OF LIBERTYVILLE, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.J. Harvey received an option from Peter R. Harvey (his brother) to purchase 275,000 common shares, 6,230 convertible series A preferred shares and 1,000 series B preferred shares. The purpose of the transaction was to enable J.J. Harvey to purchase The Pitairn Co.'s interest in Ozite Corp. P. Harvey has been elected to Ozite Corp.'s board.

PURPOSE:

To acquire interest in Ozite Corp.

-30- 702
#90247c0202 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

I. GILINSKI OWNS 4,470,000 SHARES (21.30%) OF TIGERA GROUP INC (TICKER: TYGR) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 7, 1990 the transaction was amended to provide that the purchase price for the 3,445,000 common shares was changed from $3,445,000 to $2,583,750 and paid Aug. 9, 1990.

-30- 490
#90247c0203 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 267,867 SHARES (6.84%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90247c0204 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

AMERICAN DIVERSIFIED ENTERPRISES INC OWNS 372,500 SHARES (4.997%) OF UNION CORP (TICKER: UC) OF SOUTH NORWALK, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 20 and Aug. 23, 1990 American Diversified Enterprises Inc. sold 27,500 shares at $17.13 to $19.88 each. On June 18, 1990 sold American Diversified Enterprises Inc. to Jefferies and Co. Inc. options to purchase 1,600 common shares at $16.38 per option.

-30- 625

#90247c0205 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 17, 1990, Germania Bank, A Federal Savings Bank(TICKER: TFSB) sold its branch office located at 2007 S. MacArthur in Springfield, Illinois to First of America Bank(TICKER: FOA)-Springfield, N.A.

After giving effect to the assets purchased and the premium paid for the deposits, Germania recorded a pre-tax gain on the sale of the branch office of approximately $6 million.

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#90247c0206 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows O'Charley's Inc.(TICKER: CHUX) earned $120,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues $9.99 million for the 12-week period ended July 15, 1990.

This compares with net income of $86,000, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $6.23 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90247c0208 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows American Nuclear Corp.(TICKER: ANUC) lost $146,678, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $327,333 for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $617,436, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $437,244 in fiscal 1989.

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#90247c0209 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - Quebec Sturgeon River Mines Ltd.(TICKER: QSRT) lost $943,724, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $6.54 million for the six- month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1 million, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $5.18 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90247c0210 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 6, 1990, Reserve Industries Corp.(TICKER: ROIL) elected to change its fiscal year-end from Aug. 31 to Nov. 30.

The transition period for this change will be the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990 and the annual report to be filed on Form 10-K will be for the 12 month period ended Nov. 30, 1990.

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#90247c0211 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - Amertek Inc.(TICKER: ATEK) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it lost $2.04 million, or $0.63 per share, on revenues of $4.26 million for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.62 million, or $0.50 per share, on revenues of $17.35 million for the same period in 1989.

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

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#90247c0212 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Aril Group Inc.(TICKER: ARIL) lost $179,636, or $0.02 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $241,458 ($241,458 gain from discontinued operations), or $0.03 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

During the fiscal year ended Feb. 28, 1990, Aril Group underwent a transition from a company which designed, sold and installed private telecommunications systems and equipment to commercial clients in Florida to an industrial holding company which intends to diversify its operations into other areas other than telecommunications, through the acquisition of other companies.

In connection with this newly adopted business plan, Aril Group acquired Medallian Kitchens Inc., a manufacturer of kitchen and bathroom cabinets, on Aug. 30, 1990.

-30- 1037
#90247c0213 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Explosive Fabricators Inc.(TICKER: BOOM) earned $2.79 million, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $3.09 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.83 million, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $2.77 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90247c0214 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 1:05 that trade in Healthco International Inc.(NASDAQ: HLCO) has been resumed. The first sale was 18; up 1/2 from the halt, and down 1/4 from the previous close.

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#90247c0216 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

FINDIM OVERSEAS LTD OF CAYMAN ISLANDS OWNS 254,500 SHARES (7.95%) OF NEW YORK BANCORP INC (TICKER: NYBC) OF DOUGLASTON, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 30 and 31, 1990, Findim Overseas sold an aggregate of 6,500 shares at a price of $9.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Disposition of shares.

-30- 503

#90247c0217 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L.C. LALANNE OWNS 1,700,000 SHARES (21.00%) OF MID-AMERICA RACING STABLES INC (TICKER: RACE) OF NORMAN, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an April 18, 1990 stock purchase and option agreement between

Mid-America Racing Stables Inc., L.C. Lalanne, Wayne S. Davis and Norris R. Harris, Lalanne purchased 1.7 million shares from April 23 to June 1, 1990 for $.25 per share. L.C. Lalanne is acting as part of a group with Davis and Norris, who together hold 5,740,000 shares, representing 70.95 percent of Mid-America Racing Stables Inc.'s common stock.

PURPOSE:

Stock purchase and option agreement.

-30- 826
#90247c0218 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY R. HARRIS OWNS 1,341,268 SHARES (42.40%) OF SCANFORMS INC (TICKER: SCFM) OF BRISTOL, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a stock purchase agreement dated Aug. 22, 1990, R. Harriss, except for Samans, purchased 600,000 shares for $.50 per share from Sebastian A. Carcioppolo, a director and vice president of Scanforms Inc. Under the agreement, Samans is to be granted an option to purchase one third of each of other filers' shares for $.65 per share for one year, and $.85 per share for the next year. Samans is also currently negotiating an option agreement with Carciapollo to purchase 250,620 shares.

PURPOSE:

To acquire controlling interest.

-30- 869
#90247c0219 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Ballard Medical Products(TICKER: BMED) executed design and construction contracts with a budget of $5.80 million with Eckman & Midgley Inc. effective Aug. 15, 1990.

These contracts provide for the design and preparation of budgets, estimates and bids for construction of a building, parking lot, landscape and site improvements for Ballard Medical Products at 12050 Lone Peak Parkway, Draper City, Salt Lake County, Utah.

-30- 653
#90247c0220 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Arnold Industries Inc.(TICKER: AIND) has authorized the purchase of up to 300,000 shares of Arnold Industries Inc.'s common stock in open market or privately negotiated transactions.

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#90247c0221 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Memtek Corp. (TICKER: MTEK) signed an agreement with Koch Membrane Systems Inc. (TICKER: GRA) that gives Koch a 60-day option to make an offer to purchase for $400,000 selected assets of Memtek used in the manufacture and sale of membrane filtration and ion exchange equipment for industrial waste markets.

If the option is not exercised by Koch or if an agreement to purchase the assets is not consummated for any reason, Koch may convert the $400,000 payment into a 12-month loan secured by certain of Memtek Corp.'s technology, or may convert such amount into shares of Memtek Corp.'s common stock at $.25 per share.

Memtek also has retained the firm of Boston Corporate Finance Group Inc. to advise its board of directors, and has announced the sale of certain assets relating to its BioSeparations business to a division of W.R. Grace & Co. (Conn.).

-30- 1090
#90247c0222 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Republic International Corp. has extended its note receivable from EIH for a nine-month period beginning Aug. 16, 1990 through March 31, 1991.

The principal and accrued interest balances of that note were $2.75 million and $141,373, respectively.

As consideration for extension of the note, EIH has agreed to pay the accrued interest through June 30, 1990, of $141,373 and to make a principal reduction on the note of $275,000.

The total payment of $416,373 is due and payable on or before Sept. 30, 1990.

EIH has also agreed to make quarterly interest payments on the note receivable beginning Sept. 30, 1990.

Republic International's executive office is located at 6985 Union Park Center, Suite 535, Midvale, UT 84047, and its telephone number is (801) 521-5000.

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#90247c0224 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT.4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Toronto Corp. retained Edwards, Lincoln & Stielow, P.C. as its new auditors, effective June 18, 1990, to perform the audit for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

The previous auditor did not stand for re-election because of insufficient time to service the account.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

Toronto Corp.'s executive office is located at 12 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100, Houston, TX 77046, and it telephone number is (713) 871-1113.

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#90247c0225 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:20 that trade in FNB Rochester Corp.(NASDAQ: FNBR) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 8. The company is located Hermitage, PA.

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#90247c0226 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-K filed with the SEC shows Territorial Resources Inc.(TICKER: TERI) lost $194,000, or $0.09 per share on revenues of $492,000 for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $282,000, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $371,000 in fiscal 1989.

Territorial Resources Inc. is engaged in oil and gas exploration and its executive office is located at 1300 Main Street, Suite 1840, Houston, Texas 77002.

Its telephone number is (713) 658-0850.

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#90247c0227 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Video Professor Industries Inc. earned $65,044, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $414,607 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $35,975, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $301,180 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 478

#90247c0228 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Schult Sav-O Stores Inc.(TICKER: SAVO) earned $1.31 million, or $0.45 per share, on revenues of $114.46 million for the 12-week period ended July 14 1990.

This compares with net income of $1 million, or $0.34 per share, on revenues of $110.73 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 504

#90247c0229 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Butler Manufacturing Co.(TICKER: BTLR) earned $2.90 million, or $0.65 per share, on revenues of $152.40 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.86 million, or $0.63 per share, on revenues of $142.06 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 501

#90247c0230 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Neti Technologies Inc. lost $113,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $177,000 for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $90,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $320,000), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $370,000 in fiscal 1989.

-30- 489

#90247c0232 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - Today's weekly auctions of Citicorp Auction (CAPS) Paper set rates of 7.895% for 91-day paper, down from 8.018% last week, and 8.011% for 182-day paper, down from 8.039% last week.

For the 91-day paper, accepted bids ranged from a low rate of 7.892% to a high rate of 7.90%. A total of $335 million in bids was submitted, of which $50 million was accepted. Citicorp said that 100% of the bids at the

high rate were accepted on a pro-rata basis.

For the 182-day paper, accepted bids ranged from a low rate of 7.875% to a high rate of 7.875%. A total of $330 million in bids was submitted, of which $50 million was accepted. Citicorp said that 100% of the bids at the high rate were accepted on a pro-rata basis.

Citicorp will take bids totalling $50 million on new 91-day paper and $50 million on new 182-day paper next Tuesday.

-30- 1003

#90247c0233 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - Exeter Bancorporation Inc. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 600,000 shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is $7.00 per share.

Blunt Ellis & Loewi is underwriting the offering.

Exeter Bancorporation's executive office is located at 2220 North Central Life tower, 445 Minnesota Street, St. Paul, MN 55101 and its telephone number is (612) 291-7885.

-30- 619

#90247c0234 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - Morgan's Foods Inc.(TICKER: MR) filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it is offering to holders of its outstanding common shares transferable rights to purchase an aggregate of 5,923,810 common shares.

The shares may purchased at $1.00 per share on the basis of one common share for every two common shares held of record.

Morgan's Foods operates, through wholly owned subsidiaries, 73 Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurants under franchises from Kentucky Fried Chicken Corp. in New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Illinois and West Virginia.

Use of the proceeds will go for working capital and general corporate purposes.

-30- 821

#90247c0235 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) COMTEX - Cruise America Inc.(TICKER: RVR) filed a

registration statement with the SEC relating to 1 million shares of its common stock.

The shares may be offered and issued by Cruise America Inc. in connection with future acquisitions of real estate or other assets or businesses or upon conversion of Cruise America Inc.'s securities which may be issued in connection with such an acquisition.

Cruise America reports it is the largest company in the United States principally engaged in the rental and sale of recreational vehicles.

Cruise America Inc.'s common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange and its executive office is located at 5959 Blue Lagoon Drive, Suite 250, Miami, Florida 33126.

Its telephone number is (305) 262-9611.

-30- 944
#90247c0236 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.K. FEHLIG OF 430 EAST 57TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF NYVATEX OIL CORP.(TICKER: NYVA) THROUGH SALOMON BROS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG.30, 1990.

(NYVATEX OIL CORP. TEL: 406 252-4329)

-30- 395
#90247c0237 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.K. WASSONG OF 390 OX PASTURE DR, SOUTHAMPTON, NY 11968, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 CLASS A SHARES OF METRO MOBILE COURTS INC. (TICKER: MMZ) THROUGH M.J. FRIEDLANDER CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 30 1990.

(METRO MOBILE COURTS INC. TEL: 212 605-0800)

-30- 442
#90247c0238 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.E. AIKEN OF 1424 ARRINGTON CT, STILLWATER, OK 74075, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF TIME MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE INC.(TICKER: TMMS) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 30, 1990.

(TIME MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 405 377-0880)

-30- 442
#90247c0240 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A. CORLITO OF 95-72ND STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11209, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000,000 SHARES OF HEAVENLY HOT DOGS INC. THROUGH DATEK SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 30, 1990.

(HEAVENLY HOT DOGS INC. TEL: 813 945-2300)

-30- 407
#90247c0241 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L. BECKERMAN OF 4316 40TH AVE NW, GIG HARBOR, WA 98335, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF HOMECARE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: HMSI) THROUGH GRUNTAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 28, 1990.

(HOMECARE MANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 516 654-3392)

-30- 426
#90247c0242 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER A HOWLEY OF 305 CASCADE DR, MILL VALLEY, CA 94941, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 30, 1990.

(CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 415 777-0477)

-30- 434
#90247c0243 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT C MATHIS OF P O BOX 3118, BOZEMAN, MT 59772, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL MICROWAVE CORP. (TICKER: DMIC) THROUGH D A DAVIDSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 30, 1990.

(DIGITAL MICROWAVE CORP. TEL: 408 943-0777)

-30- 421
#90247c0244 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CUSTOM METAL SCIENTIFIC OF 2799 AIELLO DR, ATTN: RICHARD R SNODGRESS, SAN JOSE, CA 95111, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF THE MILLS-JENNINGS CO. (TICKER: JKPT) THROUGH CENPAC SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 30, 1990.

(THE MILLS-JENNINGS CO. TEL: 702 827-8110)

-30- 459
#90247c0245 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SALVATORE GRISAFI OF 12 VERONICA CT, SMITHTOWN, NY 11787, HAS FILED TO SELL 140,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 30, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 420
#90247c0246 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANTHONY GRISAFI OF 35 BUCKINGHAM MEADOW RD, E SETAUKET, NY 11733, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 30 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 429
#90247c0248 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M STEVEN LISIPANSKY OF 83 WHITS END RD, 0, CONCORD, MA 01742, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,528 SHARES OF RYKA INC. (TICKER: RYKA) THROUGH BANCBOSTON BRKG INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 28, 1990.

(RYKA INC. TEL: 617 331-8800)

-30- 396
#90247c0249 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - SUZANNE M SCHARZ OF 19409 89TH PL W, EDMONDS, WA 98020, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,884 SHARES OF SEA GALLEY STORES INC. (TICKER: SEAG) THROUGH PERSHING & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 30, 1990.

(SEA GALLEY STORES INC. TEL: 206 775-0411)

-30- 417
#90247c0250 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARIANNE SCIPIONE OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 30, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 866-5050)

-30- 409
#90247c0251 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD G MCCAULEY OF 11317 BUCKLEBERRY PATH, COLUMBIA, MD 21044, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,500 SHARES OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(THE ROUSE CO. TEL: 301 992-6000)

-30- 402
#90247c0252 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB. 8, 1990, F.B. HINELINE JR, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANCORP. (TICKER: CBRP) BOUGHT 1,212 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 383,327.

-30- 324
#90247c0253 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 15, 1990, F.B. HINELINE JR, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANCORP. (TICKER: CBRP) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 384,452.

-30- 320
#90247c0254 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 11, 1990, F.B. HINELINE JR, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANCORP. (TICKER: CBRP) BOUGHT 625 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 383,952.

-30- 321
#90247c0256 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, S. ZELL, SHAREHOLDER OF HORSHAM CORP. (TICKER: HSM), SOLD 45,000 SHARES AT $9.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90247c0257 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, S. ZELL, SHAREHOLDER OF HORSHAM CORP. (TICKER: HSM), SOLD 45,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90247c0258 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, S. ZELL, SHAREHOLDER OF HORSHAM CORP. (TICKER: HSM), SOLD 4,195,800 SHARES AT $8.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 279,000.

-30- 312
#90247c0259 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM L ALDEN, DIR. OF ALDEN ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ADNE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 367,828.

-30- 323
#90247c0260 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ELMER B HARRIS, DIR. OF AMSOUTH BANCORP. (TICKER: ASO), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 417.

-30- 304
#90247c0261 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 07, 1990, MARTIN S SUCHIK, CHAIRMAN OF THE BANKER'S NOTE INC. (TICKER: BKNT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90247c0262 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, MARTIN S SUCHIK, CHAIRMAN OF THE BANKER'S NOTE INC. (TICKER: BKNT), BOUGHT 950 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,052,856.

-30- 324
#90247c0264 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RICHARD S COLLINS, SHAREHOLDER OF BINGO KING CO. (TICKER: BNGO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 323
#90247c0265 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, DAVID S LAWI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 13,500 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,500.

-30- 342
#90247c0266 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HERBERT M PEARLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,767.

-30- 336
#90247c0267 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES H SCOTT, SHAREHOLDER OF BANKERS TRUST NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: BT), SOLD 3,200 SHARES AT $37.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,394.

-30- 342
#90247c0268 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, COCA-COLA CO, BEN. OWNER OF COCA-COLA ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CCE), SOLD 132,684 SHARES AT $14.65 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90247c0269 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, COCA-COLA CO, BEN. OWNER OF COCA-COLA ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CCE), SOLD 142,485 SHARES AT $15.83 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90247c0270 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, COCA-COLA CO, BEN. OWNER OF COCA-COLA ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CCE), SOLD 165,447 SHARES AT $14.99 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90247c0272 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ROBERT R BROWNLEE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CARDIAC CONTROL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CCSC), SOLD 5,638 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,362.

-30- 359
#90247c0273 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, MALCOLM H HOLMES, DIR. OF CONTEL CELLULAR INC.

(TICKER: CCXL), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 319
#90247c0274 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1989, JAMES L MOORE, VP OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90247c0275 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1989, JAMES L MOORE, VP OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,200 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90247c0276 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1989, JAMES L MOORE, VP OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90247c0277 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1989, JAMES L MOORE, VP OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90247c0278 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1989, JAMES L MOORE, VP OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90247c0280 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, IVAN A BURNS, DIR. OF THE CONTINENTAL CORP. (TICKER: CIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90247c0281 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, IVAN A BURNS, DIR. OF THE CONTINENTAL CORP. (TICKER: CIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 309
#90247c0282 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, HENRY E KATES, DIR. OF THE CONTINENTAL CORP. (TICKER: CIC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 309
#90247c0283 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, STEVEN J WALLACH, VP OF CONVEX COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CNX), SOLD 424 SHARES AT $13.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500,000.

-30- 311
#90247c0284 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, G WALTON COTTRELL, OFFICER OF CARPENTER TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: CRS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $43.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 330
#90247c0285 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, PETER H WRIGHT, OFFICER OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 314
#90247c0286 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT T HAMILTON, VP OF EASTMAN KODAK CO. (TICKER: EK), SOLD 490 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90247c0288 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 14, 1989, JAMES J CLAUSS, DIR. OF FIRST EASTERN CORP. (TICKER: FEBC), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $34.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750.

-30- 308
#90247c0289 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ROBERT N DENNIS, PRES. OF FASTCOMM COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: FSCX), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90247c0290 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, ROBERT N DENNIS, PRES. OF FASTCOMM COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: FSCX), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90247c0291 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ROBERT N DENNIS, PRES. OF FASTCOMM COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: FSCX), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90247c0292 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ROBERT N DENNIS, PRES. OF FASTCOMM COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: FSCX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90247c0293 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ROBERT N DENNIS, PRES. OF FASTCOMM COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: FSCX), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90247c0294 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ROBERT N DENNIS, PRES. OF FASTCOMM COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: FSCX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,466,656.

-30- 337
#90247c0296 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NORMAN S MATTHEWS, DIR. OF THE GITANO GROUP INC. (TICKER: GIT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 319
#90247c0297 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ALLEN E PAULSON, DIR. OF HOLLYWOOD PARK REALTY ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: HTRF), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90247c0298 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ALLEN E PAULSON, DIR. OF HOLLYWOOD PARK REALTY ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: HTRF), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $30.65 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90247c0299 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALLEN E PAULSON, DIR. OF HOLLYWOOD PARK REALTY ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: HTRF), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,000.

-30- 352
#90247c0300 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JAY J CHEN, OFFICER OF JAPAN OTC EQUITY FD INC. (TICKER: JOF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 316
#90247c0301 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT F KLUMPP, DIR. OF KOALA TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: KOA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 104,000.

-30- 324
#90247c0302 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $38.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90247c0304 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 10,331 SHARES AT $36.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90247c0305 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT R FRIEDL, OFFICER OF MANITOWOC INC. (TICKER: MANT), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 305
#90247c0306 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WESLEY W VON SCHACK, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $22.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 308
#90247c0307 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ELIZABETH E BAILEY, DIR. OF MORRIS (PHILIP) COS. (TICKER: MO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $41.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,200.

-30- 314
#90247c0308 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JOSEPH C BETZ, DIR. OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), BOUGHT 109 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,332.

-30- 301
#90247c0309 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NORBERT P FRAGA, DIR. OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90247c0310 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, NORBERT P FRAGA, DIR. OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 301
#90247c0312 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, NORBERT P FRAGA, DIR. OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,830.

-30- 303
#90247c0313 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, JOHN H GRAY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 323
#90247c0314 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 04, 1990, WILLIAM MARR, VP OF SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC (TICKER: SUNW), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $25.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90247c0315 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, WILLIAM MARR, VP OF SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC (TICKER: SUNW), SOLD 10,296 SHARES AT $31.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,680.

-30- 308
#90247c0316 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, WILLIAM F RILEY III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SWIFT TRANSPORTATION INC. (TICKER: SWFT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 351
#90247c0317 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1989, PETER D HERDER, SHAREHOLDER OF TUCSON ELECTRIC POWER CO. (TICKER: TEP), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $21.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 221.

-30- 332
#90247c0318 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1989, PETER D HERDER, SHAREHOLDER OF TUCSON ELECTRIC POWER CO. (TICKER: TEP), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $47.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 206.

-30- 332
#90247c0320 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RONALD J PEARCE, VP OF WASHINGTON BANCORP. (TICKER: WBNC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,607.

-30- 310
#90247c0321 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT SERENBETZ, VP OF WARNER-LAMBERT CO. (TICKER: WLA), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $65.25 PER SHARE.

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#90247c0322 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT SERENBETZ, VP OF WARNER-LAMBERT CO. (TICKER: WLA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $65.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90247c0323 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT SERENBETZ, VP OF WARNER-LAMBERT CO. (TICKER: WLA), SOLD 166 SHARES AT $65.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 306
#90247c0324 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN F WALSH, VP OF WARNER-LAMBERT CO. (TICKER: WLA), SOLD 2,011 SHARES AT $68.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,862.

-30- 303
#90247c0325 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RALPH M BARFORD, DIR. OF WESTMARK INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WMRK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

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#90247c0326 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RALPH M BARFORD, DIR. OF WESTMARK INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WMRK), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 327
#90247c0328 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M. SAKER OWNS 73,298 SHARES (6.50%) OF FOODARAMA SUPERMARKETS INC (TICKER: FSM) OF FREEHOLD, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Joseph J. Saker and John E. Saker, M. Saker's sons, have power of attorney with respect to M. Saker's holding.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 463
#90247c0329 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.J. SAKER OWNS 379,490 SHARES (33.60%) OF FOODARAMA SUPERMARKETS INC

(TICKER: FSM) OF FREEHOLD, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.J. Saker and his brother, John E. Saker, have been granted power of attorney with respect to 73,298 shares held by their mother, Mary Saker.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 502
#90247c0330 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY F. KLINGENSTEIN OWNS 4,817,420 SHARES (17.56%) OF POGO PRODUCING CO (TICKER: PPP) OF HOUSTON, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

n Aug. 27, 1990 F. Klingenstein purchased 259,400 shares at $7.25 per share.

-30- 423
#90247c0331 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY STEEL PARTNERS LP OWNS 208,600 SHARES (5.90%) OF KINARK CORP (TICKER: KIN) OF TULSA, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On May 25, 1990 Kinark Corp. notified Steel that it had no interest in discussions with Steel regarding an April 30 proposal by Steel to acquire Kinark Corp. at $7 per share. Steel has remained interested and is negotiating a confidentiality agreement with Kinark Corp. for the purpose of obtaining certain information about Kinark Corp. with a view toward possibly formulating another proposal to acquire Kinark Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 10, 1990 Steel sold 2,800 shares at $5.63 each and between July 25 and Aug. 29, 1990 purchased 44,100 shares at $4.75 to $5.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Possible acquisition of Kinark Corp. by Steel.

-30- 992
#90247c0332 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

WMS INDUSTRIES INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 674,459 SHARES (11.80%) OF DIVI HOTELS N V (TICKER: DVH) OF ITHACA, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 19, 1990 and Aug. 30, 1990, WMS Industries Inc. sold 64,000 shares at a price of $1.25 to $2.38 per share.

-30- 449
#90247c0333 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 2,167,800 SHARES (9.57%) OF IMCERA GROUP INC (TICKER: IMA) OF NORTHBROOK, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 3 and 23, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 325,318 shares at a price of $50.51 to $59.50 per share and sold 53,140 shares at a price of $50.51 to $59.50 per share.

-30- 491
#90247c0334 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 127,791 SHARES (3.26%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

FIL is no longer the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the number of shares outstanding and has no further reporting obligations under the section 13(d) of the SEC.

-30- 505
#90247c0336 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY FIRST SAVE ASSOC LP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 79,750 SHARES (8.39%) OF CENTER BANKS INC (TICKER: CTBK).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 13, 1990 and Aug. 23, 1990, First Save Assoc. LP sold 20,000 shares at a price of $6.88 to $7.13 per shares.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 501
#90247c0337 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

B.J. ADKINS OWNS 38,699 SHARES (5.07%) OF REGIONAL FEDERAL BANCORP INC (TICKER: RFBI) OF NEW ALBANY, IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 27, 1989, Mr. Adkins was granted an option to acquire 2,699 shares immediately exercisable at a price of $14.50 per share, pursuant to

Regional's 1989 stock option plan which shares are included in the beneficially-owned with the right to acquire within 60 days.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 639
#90247c0338 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOC LP OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 164,100 SHARES (4.997%) OF FAB INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: FIT) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Harris Assoc. LP sold 3,000 shares on Aug. 22, 1990 for $31.50 per share.

-30- 427
#90247c0339 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOC LP OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 735,087 SHARES (4.70%) OF NITED ASSET MANAGEMENT CORP (TICKER: UAM) OF BOSTON, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Harris Assoc. LP sold 78,700 shares from Aug. 3-23, 1990 for $15.54 to $18.63 per share.

-30- 459
#90247c0340 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J. PAPPAJOHN OWNS 450,526 SHARES (15.50%) OF LASERMAX CORP (TICKER: D.LNR) OF GOLDEN, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J. Pappajohn acquired the shares on July 24, 1987 for $12,840 and is reporting as of the date of the initial public offering.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 467
#90247c0341 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J. PAPPAJOHN OWNS 75,000 SHARES (30.00%) OF LASERMAX CORP (TICKER: D.LNR) OF GOLDEN, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J. Pappajohn acquired the shares, which are convertible into 300,000 common shares, on Aug. 28, 1990 for $75,000.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 453
#90247c0342 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M. PAPPAJOHN OWNS 50,000 SHARES (20.00%) OF LASERMAX CORP (TICKER: D.LNR) OF GOLDEN, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M. Pappajohn acquired the shares, which are convertible into 200,000 common shares, on Aug. 28, 1990 for $50,000.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 453
#90247c0344 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

GROUP LED BY INTEGRITY FUND INC OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 94,600 SHARES (5.00%) OF INFORMATION INTL INC (TICKER: IINT) OF CULVER CITY, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Integrity Fund Inc. may be deemed to be part of a group with the Kelso investors and FIL investors, who hold an aggregate of 781,756 shares, representing 33.8 percent of Information Int'l Inc.'s shares.

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#90247c0345 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

GROUP LED BY FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 222,948 SHARES (9.60%) OF INFORMATION INTL INC (TICKER: IINT) OF CULVER CITY, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Fidelity Int'l LTD may be deemed to be part of a group with the Kelso investors and Integrity investors, who hold an aggregate of 781,756 shares, representing 33.8 percent of Information Int'l Inc.'s shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Fidelity Int'l LTD purchased 5,000 shares on Aug. 2, 1990 for $12.32 per share.

-30- 677
#90247c0346 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY KELSO MANAGEMENT CO OWNS 464,028 SHARES (20.10%) OF INFORMATION INTL INC (TICKER: IINT) OF CULVER CITY, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Kelso Management Co. may be deemed to be part of a group with the FIL investors and Integrity investors, who hold an aggregate of 781,756 shares, representing 33.8 percent of Information Intl Inc.'s shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Kelso Management Co. purchased 4,000 shares on Aug. 27, 1990 for $11.20 per share.

-30- 667
#90247c0347 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

J. PAPPAJOHN OWNS 300,526 SHARES (10.40%) OF LASERMAX CORP (TICKER: D.LNR) OF GOLDEN, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Apr. 20, 1989, J. Pappajohn gave 100,000 shares as gifts to his wife and 100,000 shares to Evia Associates, a partnership of J. Pappajohn and his wife.

-30- 461
#90247c0348 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M. PAPPAJOHN OWNS 150,000 SHARES (5.20%) OF LASERMAX CORP (TICKER: D.LNR) OF GOLDEN, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M. Pappajohn received 100,000 shares as gifts from her husband and Evia Associates received 100,000 shares from Mr. Pappajohn, of which M. Pappajohn is a 50 percent partner.

-30- 481
#90247c0349 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY BRADCO SUPPLY CORP OF AVENEL, NJ OWNS 121,700 SHARES (10.10%) OF TRIANGLE HOME PRODUCTS (TICKER: THP) OF CHICAGO, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 18, 1989 and Aug. 22, 1990 Bradco Supply Corp. have purchased 11,300 shares at $.67 to $2.40 per share.

-30- 487
#90247c0350 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 40

EQUITY HOLDINGS LTD OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 8,168,725 SHARES (73.50%) OF GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT & INV (TICKER: GAMI) OF CHICAGO, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 1 and Aug. 30, 1990 Equity Holdings LTD sold 2,006,000 shares at $25 each.

-30- 466
#90247c0352 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP OF CINCINNATI, OH OWNS 24,011,558 SHARES (51.90%) OF CHARTER COMPANY (TICKER: CHR) OF CINCINNATI, OH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 16 and Aug. 30, 1990 American Financial Corp. sold 600,200 shares at $3.75 per share to Charter Co. in connection with Charter Co.'s share repurchase program.

PURPOSE:

Substantial influence over Charter Co. management.

-30- 615
#90247c0353 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY FRESENIUS AKTIENGELSELLSCHAFT OWNS 147,611,705 SHARES (80.75%) OF DELMED INC (TICKER: DMD) OF CONCORD, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 30, 1990 F. Aktiengelsellschaft paid to Delmed Inc. $5 million for options to purchase 102,738,153 common shares. The effectiveness of the options reduced the conversion price of preferred stock and the exercise price of warrants held by F. Aktiengelsellschaft to $.72 per share.

PURPOSE:

Attractive business opportunity.

-30- 684
#90247c0354 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY E.W. ROSE III OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 1,064,850 SHARES (17.60%) OF LODGISTIX INC (TICKER: LDGX) OF WICHITA, KS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In Aug. 1990, E.W. Rose III became aware that Lodgistix Inc. was seeking financial or merger partners and was engaged in discussions with Sulcus Computer Corp. On Aug. 24, 1990 E.W. Rose III presented a proposal to Lodgistix Inc. pursuant to which, among other things, $500,000 would be lent to Lodgistix Inc. on or before Aug. 31, 1990 and up to an additional $1 million would be committed subject to the formulation of a satisfactory operating plan and successful extension of Lodgistix Inc.'s senior debt. On Aug. 26, 1990 E.W. Rose III notified Lodgistix Inc. of their disapproval of an agreement with Sultus and that they would vote against any such agreement. On Aug. 30 Lodgistix Inc. announced that it had entered into an agreement in principal to merge with Sultus.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 23, 1990 E.W. Rose III purchased 1 million shares at $.25 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment, financial assistance.

-30- 1278

#90247c0355 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - Enercap Resources Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Edison, N.J.-based KCS Group Inc.(TICKER: KCSG), has agreed to buy substantially all the assets of Morgas Co. for $21.5 million.

Morgas' primary asset is a 150-mile intrastate natural-gas pipeline that runs from just north of Houston to a location 20 miles northeast of Madisonville, Texas, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 4, 1990.

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#90247c0356 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - Richard E. Lyke, a director and principal shareholder of Nevada City, Calif.-based Healthtek Inc.(TICKER: HLTK), has agreed to buy up to 625,000 common shares and up to 625,000 common share warrants over the next 13 months for $2.5 million.

If Lyke exercises all the warrants, his interest in Healthtek Inc. will increase to 58 percent, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 4, 1990.

-30- 685

#90247c0357 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - Holnam Inc.(TICKER: HLN), a Dundee, Mich., cement manufacturer, has completed the $61 million acquisition of United Cement Co., a unit of Dallas-based Texas Industries Inc., that operates the only cement plant in Mississippi, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 4, 1990

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#90247c0358 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - Torrance, Calif.-based International Meta Systems Inc. has signed a contract with Apple Computer Inc.(TICKER: AAPL) to develop a special computer chip.

The contract calls for Apple to pay International Meta Systems $300,000 in increments upon achieving certain milestones, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 4, 1990.

-30- 606

#90247c0360 09/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - Las Vegas-based American Pacific Corp. (TICKER: APFC) has signed an agreement with Dynamit Nobel AG to allow American Pacific to produce sodium azide, the principal component of the propellant used in automobile safety-airbag systems.

American Pacific said it plans to sell 1.9 million common shares aimed at raising about $20 million to help build a $29 million facility in Iron County, Utah, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The plant will have an annual capacity of 1,000 metric tons of sodium azide.

American Pacific is one of two domestic manufacturers of ammonium perchlorate, used primarily as an oxidizing agent in solid propellants for rockets and missiles.

The market for airbag systems, and thus sodium azide, is expected to expand dramatically over the next decade since North America's three major auto makers have commited to install airbags in all new cars.

The two major U.S. airbarg suppliers, TRW and Morton, have indicated that their demand for sodium azide will exceed North American supply for the near future.

Dynamit Nobel is the original developer of the sodium metal-based process for the manufacture of sodium azide and has granted American Pacific an exclusive license to market its technology in North America.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 4, 1990.

-30- 1564

#90247c0361 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 565,700 SHARES (8.56%) OF FIRST EMPIRE STATE CORP (TICKER: FES) OF BUFFALO, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 12, 1990 and Aug. 24, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 30,600 shares at a price of $51.70 to $62.38 per share and sold 1,000 shares at a price of $61.65 per share.

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#90247c0362 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY P.R. HARVEY OWNS 3,427,388 SHARES (58.60%) OF OZITE CORP (TICKER: DOCF) OF LIBERTYVILLE, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

P.R. Harvey received shares of Ozite TX Corp.'s common stock in connection with the merger of Sage Group Inc. with and into Ozite TX Corp. effective Aug. 24, 1990, at the rate of exchange of 755 shares of common stock for each share of Sage common stock and, pursuant to the merger, the conversion of Ozite TX Corp.'s series A preferred stock for common stock at the rate of conversion of 33.33 shares of common stock for each share of series A preferred stock and the exchange of Ozite TX Corp.'s series B preferred stock for common stock at the rate of exchange of 71.43 shares for each share of series B preferred stock. The effective date of the Series A preferred stock conversion was Jan. 31, 1990 and the effective date of the exchange of series B preferred stock and the issuance of shares to the holders of Sage in connection with the merger was Aug. 24, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of securities by merger of Sage into Ozite TX Corp.

-30- 1284

#90247c0363 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY I. HEFNI OWNS 261,500 SHARES (18.60%) OF WESTERN MICROWAVE INC (TICKER: WMIC) OF SUNNYVALE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Ibrahim Hefni and Microwave Engineering Corp. intend to enter into negotiations with Western Microwave Inc.'s board with a view towards acquiring 100 percent of the outstanding capital stock of Western Microwave Inc. to effect a merger of the company with and into a new corporation (NewCo) to be organized by Ibrahim Hefni and Microwave Engineering Corp. Pursuant to the proposed merger, each outstanding share of common stock of Western Microwave Inc., other than shares held by Ibrahim and Wensley Hefni and Microwave Engineering Corp. or shares held by shareholders who have duly demanded appraisal rights, will be converted into the right to receive $2 in cash, net to the shareholder. The proposed merger will be formed under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia; will require approval of the holders of two-thirds of the outstanding shares held by disinterested shareholders; and for purposes of effecting the proposed acquisition, Western Microwave Inc.'s board will be requested to amend the common shares rights agreement dated Feb. 17, 1989 to permit the proposed merger and to redeem the rights should the shareholders approve the merger.

PURPOSE:

Proposed negotiations for shares acquisition and merger.

-30- 1572
#90247c0364 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

B.B. WEEKS OWNS 88,065 SHARES (7.60%) OF NEWPORT ELECTRONICS INC (TICKER: NEWE) OF STAMFORD, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On March 21, 1990, Mr. Weekes received $3.84 per share for 797 shares held through Newport Electronics Inc.'s 401(k) plan and between July 5 and 12,

1990, Mr. Weeks sold 31,000 shares at a price of $4.13 to $4.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 588
#90247c0365 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 1,512,200 SHARES (6.00%) OF UNIVERSAL FOODS CORP (TICKER: UFC) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 473
#90247c0366 09/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 267,867 SHARES (6.84%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 21 and 23, 1990, FMR Corp. sold 178,000 shares at a price of $4.68 to $5 per share.

-30- 420
#90247d3470 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 4) - Mexico and Qatar have informed Japanese oil firms they are to raise crude oil prices for August shipments by over 10 dollars per barrel from July's level, Ministry of International Trade and Industry

sources here said Tuesday.

The Mexican crude is to be increased to 26.21 dollars per barrel, up 10.37 dollars from July. The Gulf nation of Qatar is to boost the price by 10.50 dollars to 26.55 dollars, the sources said.

Oil supply prices to Japan are usually based on the average spot price for a month and are notified after the month ends.

-30- 735

#90247d3530 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 4) - Losing the fight to lower-than-expected circulation and much higher-than-anticipated overheads, the Johannesburg Daily Mail announced Tuesday it was publishing its last edition.

The liberal daily was launched on June 20 this year with a promise to "reflect the extraordinary times we live in", but found itself unable to make inroads into the daily market held by the more traditional newspapers.

Insiders said market research had led the editors to believe they could achieve a circulation of above 20,000, but in reality only between 7,000 and 10,000 newspapers were being sold daily.

The lower circulation had led financial backers to withhold promised funds and the newspaper had run out of cash.

In a front page editorial Tuesday, editors Anton Harber and Irwin Manoim said the newspaper would revert to publishing weekly under the title Weekly Mail.

The Weekly Mail, with a circulation of about 30,000, was launched in June 1985 after the internationally-acclaimed Rand Daily Mail fell victim to similar market forces now forcing the demise of the Daily Mail.

In their editorial, the editors said the Weekly Mail "will continue to fight for fundamental political, social and economic change; for democracy; for the protection of human rights; for a government that represents the majority and respects the minority."

-30- 1532

#90247d3600 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 4) - China has successfully launched its second experimental weather satellite into a geostationary orbit using a Long March ' rocket, China Daily said Tuesday.

The English-language daily said the rocket was launched Monday from the

Taiyuan Satellite Launch Centre, in central Shanxi province.

The Urumqi satellite earth station, in the autonomous region of Xinjiang in northwest China, received late Monday the first signals from the satellite, Fengyun 1, the newspaper said.

The satellite's launch was timed so it could be operational before the Asian Games, due to open September 22, and the satellite will be able to transmit news to overseas countries with earth stations, it said.

The newspaper said Tuesday that the second satellite launch would allow China "to strengthen its weather forecasting capacity and to contribute to economic development."

China is understood to be ambitious to enter the strong market for heavy payload launches, which will be possible with the launch of the new generation Long March 2-E, after a successful trial last July.

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#90247d3670 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 4) - Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Igor Rogachev has issued a stern warning to Japan and North Korea over infringement of its economic resources in fishing and lumber in the Soviet Far East.

The warning, which appeared in Tuesday's edition of Trud newspaper, came on the day Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze began an official visit to Japan, following a trip over the weekend to North Korea.

In the article, Mr. Rogachev, who is responsible for Asian affairs, also reaffirmed Moscow's right to sovereignty over the four Kuril islands, which are claimed by Japan.

Over the past two to three years, fishing violations in the Soviet Far East have occurred on "a massive scale", "far beyond what is admissible in the context of normal inter-state relations", Mr. Rogachev said.

Trawlers involved in illegal fishing did not fly a flag, but "most are seen to head towards Japan", the minister said, adding that the Soviet Foreign Ministry had on several occasions called on Tokyo to curb the activity of its fishermen.

Mr. Rogachev called for the reinforcement of KGB troops, responsible for guarding the border and territorial waters, while suggesting that cooperation between different countries in the region could be beneficial to all.

-30- 1470
#90247d3720 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WELLINGTON (SEPT. 4) - New Zealand's Independent Newspapers Ltd., half owned by Rupert Murdoch's News Ltd., said Tuesday it would buy newspapers and a distribution chain in Australia.

They are to buy the interests from News Ltd.

"Few other growth opportunities in New Zealand are now available," INL chairman Alan Burnet said. "This move into Australia is an excellent opportunity for the company and also reflects the spirit of closer economic relations between the two countries."

He said the company would pay 200 million dollars (124 million U.S.) for magazine distributor Gordon and Gotch Ltd., Australia, Gordon and Gotch (New Zealand) and three provincial newspapers in Australia.

He said INL had virtually outgrown the New Zealand market, owning more than 50 per cent of the newspaper business by circulation.

Mr. Burnet said that as part of the purchase agreement, INL had also negotiated a 10-year exclusive right to distribute all News Ltd.'s magazines in Australia and New Zealand through Gordon Gotch.

The purchases are subject to approval from the Australian Foreign Investment Review Board. New Zealand Commerce Commission and Overseas Investment Commission approvals have been obtained.

Mr. Burnet said INL intended to examine the possibility of listing on the Australian Stock Exchange.

-30- 1523
#90247d3780 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Dhaka (SEPT. 4) - Bangladesh began sending troops to Saudi Arabia Tuesday to help defend the kingdom against possible Iraqi aggression and to demonstrate solidarity with King Fahd in the Gulf conflict, a military spokesman said.

The first batch of about 300 men flew out of Dhaka Tuesday morning and more were due to leave later in the day.

President Hussain Muhammad Ershad told the Bangladesh contingent last week that they were soldiers of Islam and would protect the holy city of Mecca.

The dispatch of troops to Saudi Arabia sparked off violent protests. At least 55 people were injured and many arrested during a general strike Monday called by the opposition Awami League and other groups.

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#90247d3830 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAKARTA (SEPT. 4) - Bank Duta, one of Indonesia's largest private banks, was put under tight supervision by monetary authorities after it was found to have committed financial improprieties, Bank Indonesia (central bank) said Tuesday.

The bank was found to have mistakes in its foreign exchange operations, and its majority shareholders have agreed to undertake steps to correct the situation, Bank Indonesia said in a statement.

Bank Duta, a listed firm in the Jakarta Stock Exchange, is the second largest private bank with assets of more than one billion dollars at the start of the year. Its majority shareholders are charity foundations chaired by President Suharto.

Bank Duta had appointed a caretaker board of directors in place of the old board and named Coordinating Minister for Economy Radius Prawiro as advisor pending a shareholders' meeting to form a new board, the statement said.

Mr. Prawiro had been proposed to become Bank Duta's chief commissioner in place of Bustanil Arifin, who is cooperative minister in Mr. Suharto's cabinet.

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#90247d3850 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (SEPT. 4) - The Asian Development Bank (ADB) Tuesday announced a 900,000 dollar grant to help stop environmental damage in tiny South Pacific island countries.

The ADB said environmental management had become a critical issue in the islands because of limited land areas, their dependence on natural resources, relatively extensive ecological damage and scarcity of local expertise.

The Cook Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall islands, Solomon islands, Tonga, Vanuatu and Western Samoa are to benefit from the grant, the ADB said.

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#90247d3890 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) - U.S. President George Bush summoned his Cabinet for a meeting Tuesday on the crisis in the Gulf as Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady prepared to visit allies in search of financing for the

massive military operation there.

Mr. Bush returned from his summer home in Kennebunkport, Maine, Monday night with a full agenda awaiting him in Washington.

Besides the crisis in the Gulf, Mr. BUsh will be preparing for a summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in Helsinki that is just five days away.

U.S. officials hope the summit Sunday will show Iraq that the superpowers are united in their opposition to Baghdad's August 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

Those preparations come as the administration steps up its efforts to secure more tangible assistance from its alies in Europe and Asia where Mr. Bush's pleas for burden-sharing have met with only a tepid response.

According to estimates published in U.S. news reports, the deployment of U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia and the naval blockade of Iraq is expected to cost Washington more than one billion dollars a month.

Under a proposal reviewed by the National Security Council, another 10 billion dollars should be earmarked as aid to help cushion the economies of countries like Egypt, Turkey and Jordan against the shock of the international embargo against Iraq.

Mr. Brady was to leave Tuesday for Paris, the first stop on a four-day tour that will also take him to London, Seoul, and Tokyo in search of allied funding for the effort in the Gulf.

Secretary of State James Baker also was due to travel to the Gulf on Thursday on a similar mission but first he must appear before House and Senate Foreign Affairs Committees later Tuesday to respond to questions on U.S. strategy in the Gulf.

The need for greater burden-sharing appeared uppermost in the minds of some U.S. lawmakers.

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#90247d3910 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (SEPT. 4) - The Hoechst chemical company said Tuesday its world group pre-tax profits fell to 1.8 billion Deutschmarks (1.13 billion dollars) in the first half of 1990, down 13.7 percent on its profits in the same period last year.

Hoechst blamed the lower value of the dollar and yen against the mark, as well as lower prices for depressing the company's earnings.

Total world group turnover slipped 2.2 percent to 22.4 billion marks. While chemical sales by volume rose 3.5 percent, their prices had fallen by 2.7 per cent.

At the same time, the lower value of the dollar and yen had produced, when denominated in D-marks, a 1.2 billion mark drop in turnover, Hoechst said.

The parent stock company in Frankfurt accounted for 1 billion marks of the pre-tax earnings, down 5.8 percent, on turnover of 8.5 billion marks, 0.6 percent lower.

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#90247d3940 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ADDIS ABABA (SEPT. 4) - More than 350,000 people were left homeless following floods in Ethiopia's western province of Gambella, the Ethiopian News Agency (ENA) said here Tuesday.

The floods occurred after three rivers - the Baro, Jejebe and Awaro - overflowed.

ENA said this season's crops were destroyed and electricity supplies to Gambella hospital disrupted.

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#90247d3970 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Rome (SEPT. 4) - China has greatly increased its fishing capacity to become the world's third-biggest fishing nation behind Japan and the Soviet Union, the U.N. Food and Agricultural Organisation (Fao) said here Tuesday.

The Fao said China's fishing catch last year reached 10.5 million tons, compared to 6.5 million tons in 1985.

Just ahead of China were Japan and the Soviet Union, each with an estimated catch of eleven million tons last year, said the Fao report issued on the eve of a conference on fishery questions.

Altogether, around 100 million tons of fish were caught around the world in 1989, only one percent above the volume of the year before and a major slowdown from the 5.8 percent growth rates recorded in 1987 and 1988.

Developing nations last year accounted for 52 percent of the fishing catch,

while making up 45 percent of the market for fish, the report noted. Fao general director Edouard Souma stressed that fishing was the most important source of hard currency earnings for developing countries.

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#90247d3990 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) - The United States has chartered an Iraqi jetliner to fly an estimated 138 foreign women and children out of Iraq Tuesday, Cable News Network (CNN) reported.

CNN, citing unidentified sources, said the airliner was to fly to Amman, Jordan.

The sources told CNN that foreign women and children were told to gather at the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad for the flight out.

About two dozen U.S. nationals were expected to be among the 138 people aboard the flight, the report said. French, British and possibly Canadian citizens also would be aboard, according to the report.

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#90247d4040 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (SEPT. 4) - At least 90 people died and 1,000 were injured when Typhoon Abe hit eastern China's Zhejiang and Jiangsu provinces, the China Daily reported Tuesday.

Damage from the weekend typhoon is estimated at 56 million dollars, the official English-language daily said.

In Zhejiang, the hardest hit province, 65 people died and 839 were injured, while 600,000 were cut off by floodwaters and 40,000 were left homeless, it said.

The People's Daily, the official communist party newspaper, added that more than 375,000 hectares (926,250 acres) of cultivated land were flooded.

A provincial official said the damage, which he described as "the biggest in 40 years," would be at least 38.2 million dollars.

In neighbouring Jiangsu province, at least 23 people died and hundreds of others were hurt, the China Daily said.

An estimated 80,000 houses were destroyed and 120,000 damaged, the province's foreign affairs bureau reported.

It said 1.34 million hectares (3.3 million acres) of rice and cotton fields were devastated by the floods.

Abe also brushed Shanghai, China's biggest city, killing two people,

injuring 46 and damaging around 106,000 houses, the bureau said.

The area was hit last month by another typhoon, Yancy, which killed 91 people in Zhejiang and 161 in neighbouring Fujian.

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#90247d4210 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EINDHOVEN, NETHERLANDS (SEPT. 4) - Dutch electronics giant Philips said Tuesday it would axe 4,000 jobs in its integrated circuits division by the end of 1991, mainly in Europe, as part of a major reorganization of this sector.

Philips said it would be abandoning certain loss-making activities in the integrated circuits operation, including development and production of static random access memory (SRAM) chips, confirming its partial pullout from the European Jessi project.

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#90247d4240 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Ankara (SEPT. 4) - Retail prices rose by 2.5 percent in Turkey in August, putting the annual inflation rate at 54.6 percent, the lowest in three years, it was reported here Tuesday.

The State Institute of Statistics (Die) said that by comparison, last year the August inflation rate was 3.5 percent for the month and 65.6 percent on an annual basis.

With the August increase, the cumulative inflation for the first eight months of 1990 was 29.3 percent, the Die said.

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#90247d4300 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 4) - Australian and New Zealand insurance giant AMP Society said Tuesday it would begin participating in Asian markets.

The company's international chief general manager Ian Salmon said in a statement that the Asian market for goods and services was growing at four billion New Zealand dollars (2.4 billion U.S) per week and currently totalled four trillion dollars (2.4 trillion dollars).

"As this growth heats up, we in Australia and New Zealand will be thinking more positively of participating," Mr. Salmon said.

"It will not be easy -- language and customs do not help -- but it will be essential if we are to maximise our position in this marketplace."

Because of AMP's size, substantial growth opportunities do not exist in Australia and New Zealand, he said.

"We have set a strategy that will enable us to spread our risks broadly both in terms of major strategic and economic geographic groups and the countries within each group," he said.

"Much of this is, as yet, untested. We have only recently embarked upon our programme and it will be some years before we can expect to have much of a spread of risks and businesses."

Mr. Salmon said some countries favoured foreign investment over insurance.

"Markets such as Japan, which are otherwise effectively closed to us as a life insurer, could be more welcoming to us in the role of an investment manager," he said.

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#90247d4340 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) - Asiana Airlines has ordered 27 Boeing jets and has taken options on 24 more, the South Korean airliner and Boeing have announced.

The order could total six billion dollars if all the options are carried out by the two-year-old carrier, which plans to increase the number of its international destinations.

The firm orders alone -- for nine 747-400s, 10 767-300s and eight 737-300s -- are worth a total of three billion dollars, officials said Monday.

In addition, Asiana also took options on nine 747-400s, eight 767-300s and seven 737-400s.

Asiana said the deliveries were scheduled to begin in 1991 and be completed in 1999.

The contract was signed at the Farnborough International Air Show in Farnborough, England.

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#90247d4370 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 4) - Indonesia's powerful Salim Group is expanding its holdings in Singapore with the announcement that it will take a 19.1 per cent stake in local fast food operator Inno-Pacific Holdings Ltd. (IPH).

IPH annouunced Monday that the group headed by Indonesian tycoon Liem Sioe Liong would pay 15.1 million Singapore dollars (8.6 million U.S.) through its Singapore investment company KMP Pte. Ltd.

Salim holds the Kentucky Fried Chicken franchise in Indonesia and IPH holds it here. IPH said the new deal "would lead to the emergence of a major new trading group in Singapore."

Mr. Liem's group is reportedly negotiating with IPH to set up two chicken-related joint ventures -- a chicken farm in Indonesia and a processed poultry distribution centre in Singapore.

KMP and Inno-Pac also announced a new venture between them to take over Inno-Pac's interests in the Shakey's Pizza franchise system worldwide, except in Japan.

The new venture plans to buy Shakey's from Inno-Pac for 35 million dollars (20 million U.S.). KMP will in turn subscribe for 11.1 per cent of the shares in the venture for 2.5 million U.S. dollars.

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#90247d4400 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 4) - China's economy is showing signs of recovery but a major effort is needed to meet agricultural and industrial targets, the China Daily reported Tuesday, quoting a senior official.

Zou Jiahua, minister in charge of the state planning commission, told the standing committee of the People's National Congress, the Chinese parliament, that "an upturn has become more apparent in the national economy" in recent months, the official English-language newspaper said.

Inflation had been curbed, the summer grain harvest was good and the annual harvest, barring natural disasters, should be satisfactory, he said, adding that industrial growth was showing signs of recovery and the trade balance was again in surplus.

The imposition of an austerity plan from late 1988 stemmed a surge in prices, which only rose an average three per cent in the first quarter of this year after double-digit rises in 1988, he said.

Industrial production during the first seven months rose 2.3 per cent to 161 billion dollars compared to the same period last year, Mr. Zou said.

A 21.2 per cent devaluation of the yuan in December helped boost foreign trade, he said, adding that the balance was 3.3 billion dollars in China's favour for the first seven months of the year.

But despite these encouraging signs, the minister said, retail sales dropped and the State industrial sector was still suffering.

Inventories were growing because of weak demand, businesses were cash-starved and becoming indebted, while many badly-managed state enterprises were having trouble maintaining production.

China has set an industrial growth target of six per cent for 1990, which most analysts here believe is too ambitious.

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#90247d4430 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 4) - Singapore Aerospace, publicly listed less than a month ago, has followed up a move into the U.S. market with a deal to take a 50 percent stake in a British aircraft parts supplier.

The joint venture was disclosed Monday as Singapore Aerospace announced interm results for 1990 showing a net profit of 8.55 million Singapore dollars (4.8 million U.S.), up 9.5 percent on first six months of last year.

Singapore Aerospace said in a statement it was forming a 50-50 joint venture with Britain's Qualitair Aviation Group to create Qualitair Rotables Services.

The new company, to be based in Cambridge, will specialise in the management and supply of spare parts for Boeing 737 aircraft.

Last month, Singapore Aerospace announced plans to buy a 20 million U.S. dollar installation in the southern U.S. state of Alabama to service Boeing 747 jets and establish a foothold in the American market.

Singapore Aerospace, which specialises in aircraft maintenance and modification, was the first defence company to be floated as part of a government privatisation program. It made its appearance on the local stock market on August 8.

Its net profit for the first half of 1990 compared to the 7.81 million dollars (4.39 million U.S.) registered for the same period last year.

Pre-tax profit rose 4.3 percent to 9.86 million Singapore dollars (5.53 million U,.S.) compared with the corresponding period of 1989.

Turnover rose 23.8 percent to 93.64 million dollars (52.6 million U.S.).

"Barring unforeseen circumstances, the board expects the results of the second half of 1990 to be better than the first half of the year," a

company statement said.

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#90247d4530 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 4) - Brazil has offered to cut its annual tin production by 14 percent to 37,000 tons if it joins the Association of Tin Producing Countries (ATPC), an ATPC official said Tuesday.

"They are very close to joining the ATPC," said Redzwan Sumun, executive secretary of the seven-member association grouping Australia, Bolivia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Nigeria, Thailand and Zaire.

Brazil, the world's largest tin producer, said it will keep 1990 production to 43,000 tons before cutting it by 14 percent to 37,000.

It produced about 56,000 tons last year.

Mr. Redzwan, just back from a tour of Brazilian mines, said Brazil's offer, made by senior industry officials, showed it would like to see the ATPC working effectively.

"They have seen the point, that the main thing about cutting stocks is not just export control," Mr. Redzwan said.

"It is the first time that they have actually agreed with us on the type of rationalisation we need to do."

The ATPC pegged exports at 84,233 tons for the 10 months from March to cut down overhanging stocks standing at 43,200 tons at the end of February.

Brazil and China, another big non-member producer, are reported to support the ATPC exercise by imposing their own quotas.

The ATPC requires members to keep stocks at approved levels but does not control production levels.

Mr. Redzwan said ATPC members would also have to cut production for the Brazilian offer to be effective.

The ATPC executive committee is due to meet in Cochabamba, Bolivia, on September 25. The ATPC annual ministers' conference is scheduled for October 1.

On the Kuala Lumpur Tin Market, the tin price fell 12 Malaysian cents (4.44 U.S. cents) to a 46-month low of 15.10 dollars (5.59 U.S. dollars) a kilogram (2.2 pounds) on heavy selling.

Malaysia Mining Corp., the country's biggest tin-mining company, said prices were now below the company's costs of production.

Analysts said the tin market had been hit by high stocks, increased stockpile sales and the Gulf crisis.

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#90247d4550 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 4) - West Germany's gross national product (GNP) growth slowed in the second quarter of this year, the federal statistics office said here Tuesday.

GNP growth in volume terms stood at 3.4 percent in the second quarter over the same period last year, against a 4.5 percent increase in the first quarter.

GNP shrank one percent in the second quarter over the first quarter level, after rising 3.5 percent in the first quarter over the last three months of 1989.

The statistics office said that the slowdown in the second quarter was largely due to the fact that there were more working days in the first quarter of 1990 than in the same period last year, while there were less in the second quarter.

In addition, the first quarter figures were boosted by the effects of a particularly mild winter.

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#90247d4560 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 4) - Moscow is suffering a severe bread shortage, with people queuing for up to four hours outside those bakeries with loaves on offer.

The town hall in the Soviet capital set up a crisis committee on Monday which issued a statement reassuring people that "the bread industry has the means and raw materials needed to supply Moscow" and that "the situation is under control," the Moskovskaia Pravda newspaper said Tuesday.

Nonetheless, many Moscow bakeries are not receiving supplies and the city is for the first time suffering a severe shortage of bread, one of the few items which up until now has been available in sufficient supply to meet demand.

The shortage has already led some enterprising lucky purchasers to offer their bread to the waiting queues, at a price four times what they have

just paid for it.

An official of Moscow's sole bread factory said in a telephone interview with Soviet television that only three of the plant's 12 production units were in working order, blaming staff inefficiency and worn-out equipment.

This year's grain harvest has been particularly good, and there is no shortage of flour.

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#90247d4590 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Zurich (SEPT. 4) - The U.S. tobacco and food conglomerate Philip Morris Companies Inc. said here Tuesday it had acquired 85 percent of the equity and 92 percent control of the Swiss chocolate concern Jacobs Suchard.

Philip Morris disclosed the figures a day after its offer to shareholders, issued in June, expired.

The company, through the Colima Holding firm in Zug, had offered 1,660 Swiss francs (1,276 dollars) per registered share and 8,500 francs per bearer share in its takeover offer. Philip Morris said it was extending the offer deadline until September 18.

Colima is the holding through which Klaus J. Jacobs held majority control of Jacobs Suchard. He reached agreement with Philip Morris on the sale of Colima to the U.S. firm in June, at which time the U.S. firm made its offer to independent Jacobs Suchard shareholders.

Philip Morris said its offer had attracted 75 percent of the shares which had not previously been owned by Colima.

Jacobs Suchard will continue to operate as an independent company in Zurich, Philip Morris said. In addition, it will take over certain activities of the Philip Morris subsidiary Kraft General Foods, in return for which Kraft General Foods will receive 100,000 bearer shares of Jacobs Suchard.

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#90247d4720 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manila (SEPT. 4) - The Philippines wants complete control of Clark Air Base by 1991 but would ask the United States to stay three more years in Subic naval base, according to the draft of a treaty released tuesday, a week before Manila and Washington resume talks on the future of U.S. military bases.

The talks are scheduled for September 10-14, possibly at the fortress- like

central bank building in Manila's tourist belt area.

Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus, who will head the Philippine panel, will present the government position for full jurisdiction over all offences committed by Americans within their bases, the document says.

According to the draft treaty, Manila wants that Philippines laws to apply within the installations and facilities and that the U.S. should assist the Philippines in the arrest of American offenders.

The Philippines will also ask the U.S. to vacate Clark air base by 1991 but will allow a three-year extension of lease of Subic naval base.

The military bases agreement expires on September 16, 1991 and Manila said it considers terminated the lease on Clark and Subic bases and four other smaller installations.

President Corazon Aquino has said a new bases treaty with the U.S. was possible only if it is in the national interest. The U.S. has stated that it wanted a new accord.

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#90247d4870 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Munich (SEPT. 4) - The ailing West German sporting goods firm Adidas will need at least until 1993 before it has turned itself around, its chief executive said Monday.

Adidas chairman Rene C. Jaeggi said group losses in 1989 rose to 130 million marks (82 million dollars) due to extraordinary expenditures despite a 90 million mark rise in turnover to 1.04 billion marks.

Reporting at the Ispo sporting goods fair in Munich on his strategy to try to turn the company around, Jaeggi said Adidas expected a two to three percent increase in turnover in 1990, and earnings would improve by some 100 million marks, which would still leave it at a deficit.

In 1991, sales turnover was targeted to rise by ten percent, but restructuring measures would cut into earnings, Jaeggi said, so that only in 1992 would the firm start to show prospects for any earnings. This would set the stage for listing Adidas' shares on stock markets in 1993.

Jaeggi did not indicate whether the new majority owner, French entrepreneur Bernard Tapie, had yet given his backing to the plans.

Nor did Jaeggi say what effects his plans would have on Adidas' production sites and payrolls. Adidas has 9,500 employees - 4,000 of them at eight plants in France - while such competitors as Nike and Reebok have much

smaller payrolls.

Adidas is 80 percent-owned by the Bernard Tapie Finanz company based in Essen, Germany. A further ten percent plus an option on 4.9 percent are held by Liga Part, a division of the Metro retail store chain. The remaining equity is held by Dassler family heirs Suzanne and Adolphe Dassler.

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#90247d4920 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (SEPT. 4) - Unknown gunmen ambushed an International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) vehicle in western Afghanistan and shot dead an Afghan ICRC officer, a Red Cross spokesman said here Tuesday.

It was the first time that a Red Cross official had been killed on a mission in Afghanistan, the ICRC said.

The ICRC car was riddled with machine-gun fire Saturday while returning from Islam Kala about five kilometers (three miles) from Herat, the spokesman said.

The ICRC field officer was seriously injured in the attack and died later at Herat hospital.

An ICRC official in Peshawar, Pakistan, identified the slain man as Faqir Yar and said he was travelling with a Swiss delegate who was not injured.

The two-member team had been touring areas of the western province to chalk out plans to provide assistance to war wounded in the area, which is close to the Soviet border, other Red Cross officials said here.

The spokesman could not say whether anti-government mujahedeen fighters or local militia had attacked the car.

There was no immediate reaction from the government here, but sources said a United Nations official was scheduled to leave Kabul for Herat to investigate the killing.

The ICRC runs hospitals and clinics in Kabul and neighbouring Pakistan for Afghan war wounded and has been slowly branching out into the country's provinces in efforts to reach more wounded. It also helps relatives contact prisoners on both sides of the war, and helps with prisoner returns.

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#90247d5030 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 4) - Japan's Honda Motor Corp., seeking a higher profile

in China, will set up three technical training schools and increase its motorcycle service centers from four to 30 by 1992, the China Daily said Tuesday.

The aim, the official English-language newspaper said, is to meet a rising demand in the Chinese motorcycle market, which has doubled over the past three years.

The schools for motorcycle mechanics will be set up in the cities of Guangzhou in the south, Shanghai in the east and Chongqing in the southeast, it said.

Honda will furnish the machinery, technical advice and instructors for the schools, it said.

Honda has service centers in four major Chinese cities and plans to expand its network through local motorcycle manufacturers, the China Daily said.

The newspaper reported that the Honda decision had been announced in New York, but it did not say when.

Motorcycle production in China skyrocketed in 10 years from 12,000 in 1978 to 1.17 million in 1988.

The annual production capacity is 1.35 million, but the current economic austerity program limited production to 1.03 million in 1989 and the figure for this year should be about the same, according to the China National Automotive Industry Corporation (CNAIC).

About 490,000 motorcycles have been produced so far this year, the China Daily said, quoting CNAIC figures.

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#90247d5060 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 4) - New Zealand's biggest publisher Independent Newspapers Ltd. has expanded to Australia with the 151.9 million dollars (123.3 million U.S.) purchase of Gordon and Gotch Ltd. and three provincial newspapers from News Corp Ltd.

INL, owned 49.7 percent by News Corp, is now poised to seek out other Australian acquisitions and plans to examine the possibility of listing on the Australian Stock Exchange.

News Corp settled for a price well below the 160 million dollar (129.8 million U.S.) to 170 million dollars (137.9 million U.S.) expected for magazine distributor Gordon and Gotch.

It also sweetened the deal by throwing in three Victorian papers, the Bendigo Advertiser, the Geelong Advertiser and the thrice-weekly Mail in Horsham.

Rupert Murdoch's group will also take up almost half of a placement and issue of convertible notes being undertaken by Independent Newspapers to raise a total of 92.6 million dollars (75.1 million U.S.) towards the acquisitions.

The intended sale of Gordon and Gotch, which covers major cities in Australia and New Zealand, was announced in May as part of an assets sales program designed to offset debts of 10 billion dollars (8.12 billion U.S.) plus and provide scope for its overseas broadcasting assets.

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#90247d5120 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH (SEPT. 4) - West Germany's smaller breweries Tuesday sharply criticised big brewers for their massive exports to East Germany, and also attacked the ''ecology beer'' wave sweeping the country.

Franz Xaver Glossner, managing director of the Federation of Medium-Sized Private Breweries, said the 160 medium-sized East German breweries had suffered ''incredible sales losses'' due to the massive deliveries to East Germany.

In some cases, East German brewers' output had plunged to just 20 to 40 per cent of their levels of a year ago, said Glossner, whose association represents some 800 of West Germany's 1,178 breweries.

Even more damaging to the entire beer brewing industry, Glossner said, were the ''eco-beers'' now being put on the market by ''charlatans who believe that their beers are purer than pure''.

Glossner said his association had nothing against beers produced from ingredients which had been ecologically grown, but was opposed to the impression created that ''eco-beers'' were cleaner than conventionally-brewed beers.

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#90247d5160 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (SEPT. 4) - West Germany's grain harvest this year was 0.5 percent below last year's level at 25.97 million tons, but in East Germany the harvest improved 7.3 percent to 11.61 million tonnnes, according to estimates from the West German agriculture ministry.

But the ministry stressed the good quality of this year's West German crop,

saying that yield was up 7.2 percent over the average for the past five years.

The amount of ground planted was down 3.2 percent at 4.49 million hectares (11 million acres).

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#90247d5180 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (SEPT. 4) - The Roman Catholic Church thinks that laissez-faire economic reform in Poland is going too far when nuns are forced to live over a sex-shop.

In the town of Koszalin, near the Baltic Sea coast, the local authority has given permission for a sex-shop to open on the ground floor of a building whose other tenants include nuns of the Immaculate Heart of the Virgin Mary.

The Catholic newspaper Slowo Powszechne complained Tuesday of the "frivolous signs" now displayed on the building, which it said offended the moral sense of the nuns living on the second floor.

The newspaper was doubly indignant because, it said, the nuns had formerly owned the building, but had been "dispossessed" by the communist authorities in the early 1960's.

At the time, the Young Communists moved into the ground floor. Now they are gone and, the newspaper said, "trivial trade" is moving in.

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#90247d5190 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 4) - Saudi officials have discreetly ordered two million cans of beer from a Jordanian brewery for U.S. troops deployed in Saudi Arabia, where alcohol is banned, an official for the brewery said here Tuesday.

Islamic practice forbids all drinking of alcohol. This law is strictly applied by Saudi Arabia, which forbids both its import and consumption.

The brewery source, who asked not to be identified, said the order for the beer had bypassed official channels in order to maintain secrecy.

But several people said they saw thousands of cartons of beer being loaded at the Jordanian factory Monday and Tuesday onto large trucks with Saudi license plates.

Sources said it was apparently felt that it was more practical to purchase Jordanian -- rather than American -- beer for the troops because it could be trucked overland.

An estimated 60,000 U.S. air and ground forces have been deployed in Saudi Arabia to bolster the kingdom's defenses against a possible Iraqi attack from neighboring Kuwait.

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#90247d5240 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (SEPT. 4) - Iran and Iraq have exchanged nearly 50,000 prisoners from the Gulf war since mid-August, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) said here Tuesday.

The committee said 23,798 Iranians had returned home as of Monday night, while 24,250 Iraqis had been repatriated, for a total of 48,048.

Iran and Iraq, who fought an eight-year border war that ended in a cease-fire in August 1988, have agreed to exchange POWs under ICRC auspices at the rate of 2,000 a day until the last man returns home.

The committee at the time of the cease-fire had officially recorded the names of 50,203 Iraqi prisoners and 18,902 Iranians. But other estimates put the total number of POWs at 100,000 -- 70,000 Iraqis and 30,000 Iranians.

The prisoner exchanges began August 17, two days after a dramatic announcement by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that he was in effect accepting Iranian terms for a formal peace treaty.

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#90247d5310 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (SEPT. 4) - Chinese Deputy Foreign Minster Tian Zengpei said here Tuesday that Beijing would like a "total resumption of relations between China" and the European Economic Community (EEC).

The official spoke after a meeting here with Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti. Italy currently holds the EEC presidency.

Rome was the latest stop on his diplomatic circuit, prior to the forthcoming meeting in New York of Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen and the troika of European foreign ministers. The latter are from the countries holding the past, present and future EEC presidency: Ireland, Italy and Luxemburg.

It will be the first Chinese-EEC meeting on this level since the Chinese

military was ordered to crush the pro-democracy movement in Tiananmen Square in June 1989, triggering an international outcry and western sanctions against China.

Mr. Tian Zengpei said "reforms are necessary in China for the development of laws and democracy", but said they must come about "in compliance wth concrete Chinese conditions". Relations with other countries must be developed on the "basis of mutual respect", he said.

He will be in Paris on Wednesday for talks with the secretary general of the French foreign ministry, after already visiting Yugoslavia, Romania, Hungary, Albania and Bulgaria.

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#90247d5420 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 4) - Kuwait has been reshuffling its foreign assets since Iraq invaded the oil-rich emirate last month although government bought more than they have sold, the country's finance minister said Tuesday.

"You have not seen selling of assets in various markets," Sheik Ali al-Khalifa al-Athbi al-Sabah told a news conference.

"We have been net buyers rather than net sellers," he said.

Sheik al-Sabah, who overseees an estimated 100 billion dollars invested abroad including some 20 billion dollars in Japan, said Kuwait still had access to foreign investments despite freezes on Kuwaiti assets in many countries.

"We have been given a complete management role and access to these assets in whatever form they are in," the finance minister said.

He added that the Kuwaiti government in exile had been given "unhindered freedom" to do so from central banks and finance ministries in several countries.

But he indicated that his government was relying more on income from these investments rather than outright sales to support Kuwaitis stranded abroad and to help countries adversely affected by trade sanctions against Iraq.

"As responsible people, when we are given freedom we use it responsibly," he said. "We are using some of the income of these assets to support the legitimate needs of the Kuwaiti people and countries affected."

Sheik al-Sabah did not say how governments which froze Kuwaiti and Iraqi assets last month were able to determine the legitimacy of transactions undertaken on behalf of the Kuwaiti government.

The Japanese government froze Kuwaiti assets in Japan soon after the Iraqi invasion, estimating their value at around 20 billion dollars including a 10.3 percent stake in Arabian Oil Co. Ltd., the country's biggest oil producer.

The Kuwaiti finance minister met earlier Tuesday with senior government officials including Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu to thank Japan for supporting his exiled government.

He also met Bank of Japan governor Yasushi Mieno and Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama.

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#90247d5440 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, Australia (SEPT. 4) - Mining company CRA Ltd has blamed lower metal prices and the closure of Bougainville Copper's operations for dragging its interim equity net profit sharply lower to 269 million dollars (218 million U.S.).

The result for the six months to June 30 was well down on the 370 million dollars (300 million U.S.) earned a year ago.

CRA chief executive John Ralph said the second half profit would be "of the same order" as the interim result.

He said the full year result depended on currency swings, with every one cent rise in the Australian dollar cutting 22 million dollars (17.8 million U.S.) from CRA's after tax profit.

The company's sales fell 14.7 percent to 2.19 billion dollars (1.78 billion U.S.).

Pre-tax profit slumped 40 percent to 364 million dollars , (295.38 million U.S.) but net profit was boosted by a 60 million dollars (48.7 million) abnormal gain.

The result was at the top end of analysts' expectations. They expect a slightly better second half figure on the back of higher metal prices and better diamond production.

Directors said Bougainville, which is 53.6 percent owned by CRA, was treated as an abnormal item "to more clearly reflect CRA's operating profit".

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#90247d5450 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 4) - The French government on Tuesday blocked plans by Eurocom and Carat-Espace to combine their advertising space activities in France, but left the door open for international operations.

Eurocom and Carat had asked the finance ministry in March for the green light to operate together on the French market after deciding to join forces in October.

But Finance and Economy Minister Pierre Beregovoy on Tuesday turned down the link-up on the French market after the monopolies commission said that the two companies together "would have on the market for buying advertising space in France an influence on certain aspects" of the market.

Carat and Eurocom together could control 40 per cent of the market in some areas, the commission said.

The ministry had therefore decided to "forbid the companies concerned to unite their advertising space-buying activities in France."

But the two can operate together when buying advertising space with an international dimension, where an international publicity campaign including France is being carried out through "transnational" media.

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#90247d5520 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (SEPT. 4) - A contingent of Egyptian troops left here Tuesday for the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to help bolster UAE defenses, the official Middle East News Agency (MENA) reported.

The agency did not disclose the number of troops sent but said their deployment would be "under an Arab umbrella".

Egypt has already sent forces to Saudi Arabia, as have Morocco and Syria, as part of a multinational effort to defend the kingdom against a possible attack from Iraqi troops occupying Kuwait.

Informed sources here have put the number of Egyptians at between 15,000 and 20,000 in Saudi Arabia, although the official figure had never been disclosed.

The United States and Britain likewise sent military units to Saudi Arabia following the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The UAE last month announced that it would also accept the deployment of U.S. forces on its territory.

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#90247d5530 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 4) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, rather than Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov, will present the economic reform programme to the Supreme Soviet next week, presidential spokesman Vitaly Ignatenko said here Tuesday.

The move follows Mr. Gorbachev's decision to combine elements from a reform programme presented by his prime minister with those put forward by another commission, headed by himself and the president of the Russian parliament,

Boris Yeltsin. The second commission is chaired by academician Stanislav Shatalin.

Mr. Gorbachev's decision to present the package himself to parliament "doesn't mean he has lost confidence in Mr. Ryzhkov," the spokesman told a press conference here.

Mr. Ryzhkov's initial package of reforms, designed to create a market economy in the Soviet Union, was rejected by parliament last May. Deputies gave Mr. Ryzhkov until early September to come up with alternative proposals.

Mr. Ignatenko confirmed that Mr. Gorbachev intended to put a single programme to the Supreme Soviet "based on the Shatalin concept and incorporating parts of the government programme".

Mr. Gorbachev, along with the presidential council and the council of the federation, were meeting Tuesday afternoon to study how best to combine both economic packages, Mr. Ignatenko said.

"There is no great difference between the two programmes", he added, saying that divergences concerned mainly the pace of change and ways to implement price reform.

Mr. Yeltsin, for his part, has rejected any compromise solution, saying the two programmes were "like a snake and a hedgehog" and could not be "married".

He has further called for Mr. Ryzhkov's resignation, saying the prime minister no longer has the confidence of the people.

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#90247d5650 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (SEPT. 4) - Iraq has deployed at least three truck-mounted missile batteries near Kuwait City, witnesses who recently fled the Iraqi-occupied

emirate said here Tuesday.

The two Bahrainis, both familiar with military affairs, said the surface-to-surface missiles were marked Al-Hussein, Al-Abbas and As-Saddam.

Al-Hussein is the best-known of Iraq's arsenal of ballistic missiles. It is an improved version of the Soviet-made Scud-B missile and has a range of 600 kilometres (370 miles).

During the Iran-Iraq conflict, Moscow supplied Baghdad with several hundred Scud missiles, which lack precision but caused heavy damage in attacks on Iranian cities.

Al-Abbas has a range of 900 kilometres (550 miles), according to Iraq's minister of military industries, Hussein Kamel. After its test firing in April 1988, he said it was an improved version of Al-Hussein.

The other missile, As-Saddam, named after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, is also a converted Scud-B, but less is known of its capabilities.

The Bahraini witnesses, who declined to be named, said the Iraqi Army had deployed several heavy tanks, anti-aircraft batteries and multi-barreled rocket launchers on the seafront at Kuwait City.

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#90247d5950 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO (SEPT. 4) - Norway decided Tuesday to evacuate its embassy in Kuwait City as soon as possible due to the hardships which the remaining diplomats there are having to endure, a foreign ministry spokesman said here.

Supplies of food and water are running short and electicity lines are still cut off. The three diplomates will drive to Baghdad. The evacuation would be temporary, the spokesman said.

Other Western embassies also planned to evacuate their staff, but it was still unclear whether it would be a joint operation, spokesman Bjorn Blokhus said.

However not all Western embassies are as exposed to Iraqi pressure as that of Norway, which is situated in a part of town where Kuwaiti resistance has been strong.

The Norwegian embassy is permanentely surrounded by soldiers, and the three diplomates have been kept indoors for weeks. Due to lack of electricity, the air conditioning is not working and the heat makes living conditions almost unbearable, Mr. Blokhus said.

The immediate evacuation was requested by ambassador Hans Wilhelm Longva who had been given a free hand in deciding when to abandon the embassy, the spokesman said.

For the last week there has been no direct contact between the embassy and the foreign ministry in Oslo. All messages have been passed through other embassies. Five local staff at the Norwegian embassy have been invited to follow the diplomatic personnel to Baghdad, the spokesman said.

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#90247d6100 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (SEPT. 4) - An El Al airliner coming from Tel Aviv touched down Tuesday at East Berlin's Schonefeld airport, opening a direct air service between the Israeli and East German cities.

El Al president Raphael Harlev, who was on the plane, said the flight was of historic significance.

"We are convinced that Berlin will become a major European metropolis," he said.

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#90247d6140 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Leipzig (SEPT. 4) - Daimler-Benz and Hewlett-Packard have established a services joint venture in East Berlin to help East Germany's five new states, the West German firm said here Tuesday.

Peter Wiese, managing director of the new company, called System House for Information Processing Ssi, said the venture is one of the first to be exclusively comprised of Western firms in East Germany.

Partners in Ssi are Daimler's new services subsidiary InterService with a 74.9 percent share and Hewlett-Packard with 25.1 percent.

''We have stepped forward in order to develop a market in the five new federal states,'' Wiese said at the Leipzig Autumn Fair.

Ssi management board chairman Bernward Ruepprich said that most of the 80 employees hired for the new company came from the former East German state-owned Data Processing Conglomerate.

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#90247d6220 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ZURICH (SEPT. 4) - Swiss arms maker Oerlikon-Buehrle said Tuesday it was

expecting heavy losses this year because of the Gulf crisis, reversing earlier hopes of turning in a profit this year for the first time since 1985.

Buehrle said it was also planning to axe jobs, particularly in its Italian subsidiary Contraves, because of arms contracts it would not be able to honor because of a U.N. embargo on trade with Iraq and Kuwait.

The company also announced that leading shareholder and board chairman Dietrich Buehrle, aged 69, and chief executive Michael Funk were to step down.

Mr. Buehrle's ideas for the company no longer command majority support on the board.

The changes follow pressure from banks but are also the result of internal problems which have come to a head in recent weeks, new group boss Ernst Winkler said.

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#90247d6250 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 4) - French oil group Elf Aquitaine made a consolidated net profit (group share) of 4.9 billion francs (about 950 million dollars) in the first half of the year, up 15 percent from the 4.3 billion francs scored for the same period last year, the group announced Tuesday.

The announcement noted that the improvement came despite declines in the value of the dollar (to an average of 5.69 francs, against 6.43 during the first six months last year) and of the yen.

Elf Aquitaine made a consolidated net profit of 7.2 billion francs for all 1989. But in view of events in the Gulf, the group did not venture a forecast of results for 1990 as a whole, noting that the future was too uncertain.

It said that the reported first-half profit includes a capital gain of 620 million francs on sales of the La Seigneurie paints unit and first-half results from business taken over from Orkem (chemicals), consisting of minority interests worth around 300 million francs.

Profit per share was 40 francs in the first half, against 41 in the same period last year.

The operating profit was up for the first half from 8.4 billion to 10.2 billion francs, while sales reached 82.3 billion francs (against 72.8 billion a year previously). But the bulk of the sales increase was due to inclusion of the Orkem business and of the new U.S. subsidiary, Pennwalt.

Elf Aquitaine's oil output was up in the first half from 11.5 million to 14.9 million tons, while natural gas production was off from eight million to 7.4 million tons of oil equivalent. Exploration expenditures accounted for 2.3 billion francs.

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#90247d6440 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ZURICH (SEPT. 4) - U.S. group Philip Morris Companies (PMI) has succeeded in a takeover bid for Switzerland's second largest agro-food group Jacobs Suchard, and now controls 92 percent of voting rights and 85 percent of its capital, it was announced here Tuesday.

Philip Morris had launched its 3.8 billion dollar friendly bid for the Swiss group on June 22 through its 100 percent owned subsidiary Kraft General Foods.

Jacobs Suchard named American Raymond Viault to head the company in mid-August to replace Klaus Jacobs, who resigned.

Mr. Viault said he wanted to see Jacobs Suchard become the world's leading coffee and confectionery group and to integrate certain activities of Kraft General Foods into the group.

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#90247d6500 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 4) - U.S. bank J.P. Morgan and Co. said Tuesday it had sold a majority stake in the office complex which will house its future London headquarters to Japanese concern Sumitomo Life Insurance Company for 220 million pounds (415 million dollars).

Sumitomo will hold a 52.5 percent stake in Morgan Place, the office complex being built by J.P. Morgan on the Victoria Embankment in the heart of London which is due for completion next year.

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#90247d6580 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DEAUVILLE, FRANCE (SEPT 4) - American novelist William Styron was awarded the literary prize of the Festival of American Cinema at this French resort here Tuesday.

Mr. Styron, 65, author of such novels as "Sophie's Choice" and "The Confessions of Nat Turner", was given the prize for the totality of his work, which the judges said had served the causes of both literature and cinema.

Previous winners include Elie Wiesel, Patricia Highsmith and Eric Segal.

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#90247d6710 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 4) - Britain must reduce its inflation rate to below three percent by 1995 or its industry will face disastrous consequences on world markets, the employers' organisation the Confederation of British Industry (CBI) warned Tuesday.

To achieve this massive reduction from a current annual inflation rate of 9.8 percent, the government should maintain high interest rates "for some time to come" and maintain "a fairly strong exchange rate" for the pound, the CBI said.

The appropriate rate for sterling within the European Monetary System "is likely to be nearer three Deutsche marks than, say, 2.60," the CBI said in a 35-page study of Britain's "inflation psychology."

"The authorities need to be cautious in judging when to relax policy," it warned, and proposed public spending cuts or tax increases to help high interest rates slow down economic activity.

The CBI also warned that British salaries would be higher than those in West Germany by 1995 if nothing was done to prevent this, while low labour costs have been one of Britain's key attractions to foreign investment.

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#90247d6750 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 4) - At least five people were killed and four injured when Afghan guerrillas fired 12 rockets into Kabul Tuesday, radio Kabul said in a broadcast monitored here.

The state-run radio said the rockets, fired from the west of Kabul, hit different residential areas of the capital.

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#90247d6760 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (SEPT. 4) - Italian mountain-climber Reinhold Messner is to try to track down the "abominable snowman" or yeti.

In an interview with the weekly German magazine Quick to be published on Thursday, Mr. Messner, 45, who crossed Antarctica on foot last year, intends to start his expedition early in 1991.

He plans to travel 850 kilometres (535 miles) across the Himalayas at an altitude of between 5,000 and 6,000 metres (16,500 to 19,800 feet) in the Kingdom of Bhutan.

There have been no proven sightings of the yeti over the years, although the legend of an "abominable Snowman" has been fuelled by huge unexplained footprints which have been seen and photographed.

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#90247d6780 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAMPERE, FINLAND (SEPT. 4) - The Socialist International movement begins a three-day conference here on Wednesday with the the situation in the Middle East and the Gulf crisis expected to dominate the discussions even though the main theme is disarmament.

About 100 delegates representing 40 social democratic and labour parties from 30 countries are due to attend the meeting.

The main themes of the conference are "towards a new security system", "disarmament for development - redirecting resources" and "naval arms control", but Finland's Foreign Minister and leader of Finland's Social Democratic Party Mr. Pertti Paasio admitted on Tuesday that the Gulf crisis is expected to take up most of the time reserved for disarmament.

According to Mr. Paasio, the conference is a response to favourable developments in disarmament but he stressed that the disarmament process only concerns Europe.

The disarmament conference will be opened by Socialist International veteran President Willy Brandt of West Germany and Mr. Paasio.

Originally the conference was due to be hosted by the Speaker of Finnish parliament and chairman of the disarmament committee of Socialist International Kalevi Sorsa. Hoowever Mr. Sorsa underwent cancer surgery on Monday will be on sick leave for several weeks.

The other participants include Swedish Prime Minister Ingvar Carlsson, Japanese opposition leader Mrs. Takako Doi, Lebanese Socialist leader Walid Jumblatt, Turkish opposition leader Erdal Inoenu and British shadow cabinet defence minister Martin O Neill.

Also the social democratic parties of the Soviet Union, Yugoslavia, Hungary and Czechoslovakia as well as those from the three Baltic countries, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania have sent their delegations.

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#90247d6900 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
London (SEPT. 4) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,564.00 (1,575.00) 1,539.50 (1,553.50)
Lead 461.00 (465.00) 461.50 (467.00)
Zinc Sh 1,592.50 (1,617.50) 1,514.50 (1,526.50)
Tin 5,760.00 (5,760.00) 5,872.50 (5,872.50)
Aluminium 1,869.00 (1,853.00) 1,883.50 (1,870.50)
Nickel 11,275.00 (11,375.00) 11,062.00 (11,137.00)

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#90247d7050 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 4) - Seven Dutch members of parliament arrived here Tuesday for a ten-day fact-finding visit -- the first formal Dutch delegation to visit South African since 1965.

On their arrival at Jan Smuts airport here, the leader of the delegation, Harry Aarts said a future "friendship relationship" between South Africa and the Netherlands would only be possible if apartheid was totally abolished.

The delegation comprises representatives of the five biggest political parties in the Netherlands and Mr. Aarts said he did not want to give South Africans the impression that the visit was a "friendly one".

"The situation in South Africa is still not one with which we can live, but we hope that it will improve in the future".

The question of sanctions will be the "hottest item on the agenda", Mr. Aarts said.

The delegation will hold discussions with political parties across the political spectrum, church leaders, academics and pay a courtesy visit to President Frederik de Klerk.

They will also visit South Africa's largest black township Soweto, adjoining Johannesburg, before leaving the country on September 11.

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#90247d7200 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Washington (SEPT. 4) - U.S. President George Bush will probably go on from the Helsinki summit at the weekend to Brussels for talks with North Atlantic Treaty Organisation allies, it was stated Tuesday.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said that visits to ''other cities'' had not been ruled out.

He said Bush would leave for Helsinki Friday evening for his third summit meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, being held Sunday.

Talks during the morning, over lunch and then in the afternoon would concentrate on the Gulf crisis, but also include the role of the superpowers in the post-cold war era and a review of conventional arms reduction in Europe.

The aim was to make the summit seal ''an even stronger bond of unified opposition'' to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The summit would close with a joint declaration or press conference, Fitzwater said. dpa sc 041922 sep 90

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#90247d7210 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) - A Kuwaiti Army major appealed here Tuesday for advanced weapons to help the outgunned Kuwaiti resistance fight Iraqi occupying forces.

Speaking at a press conference organized by Citizens for a free Kuwait, a group of Kuwaitis, Americans and others opposing the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the official, identified only as Major Sam, said the resistance needed "anti-tank weapons, grenades, electrical devices and communciation systems."

For security reasons, Major Sam, who said he planned to return to Kuwait shortly, was heard but not seen at a press conference which was held under tight security.

The major, said to be in his 30's, asserted that the resistance was inflicting heavy losses on the estimated 160,000 Iraqi troops in Kuwait. The guerrillas are reportedly using car-bombings and attacks on Iraqi convoys.

U.S. President George Bush said last week that he backed the Kuwaiti resistance but refused to comment on reports that U.S. intelligence and Army Special Forces were lending covert support to the Kuwaiti fighters.

The reports said the Central Intelligence Agency was making available maps, special weapons and target-selection advice to the guerrillas while U.S. Green Berets were said to be offering advice but not taking part in paramilitary activities.

The Kuwaitis refused during Tuesday's press conference to discuss any link between Washington and their resistance activities.

"We are successful in our operations because the Iraqis are bogged down in the south facing the (U.S.-led) multinational force" in Saudi Arabia, the Kuwaiti major said, speaking from behind a screen.

"But just imagine if they (the U.S. and allied troops) were not there ... I'm sure that Iraqi troops would like to deal with us the way they dealt with the Iranians. I'm talking about the question of genocide," he said, referring to Iraqi use of chemical weapons during its 1980-1988 war against Iran.

The major said the resistance wanted the U.S. and allied forces to tie down the Iraqis along the Kuwaiti-Saudi border but not to fight "our war" inside Kuwait.

He said the resistance was growing and involved non-Kuwaitis, including Egyptians and Palestinians.

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#90247d7310 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT 4) - Pakistan has decided to close its embassy in Kuwait "temporarily" with immediate effect, the foreign ministry said here Tuesday.

The decision has been taken in view of the "prevailing difficult conditions" but it "is without prejudice to Pakistan's principled position on the invasion and annexation of Kuwait by Iraq," the ministry said.

Pakistan's ambassador will remain in Kuwait along with a skeleton staff to assist with the repatriation of the country's stranded nationals there, it said in a statement.

Six diplomats, including Ambassador Zahid Saeed and 20 staff members are still in Kuwait.

Pakistan, which continues to recognize Kuwait, has sent troops to Saudi Arabia as part of a multinational force there.

An official spokesman said last month that Pakistan would not close its embassy in Kuwait unless it was forced to do so.

There were about 92,000 Pakistani workers in Kuwait and many thousands in Iraq when the emirate was invaded on August 2 by Iraq.

According to officials here about 35,000 have since fled to neighbouring countries from Kuwait and Iraq and 20,000 of them have arrived back home.

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#90247d7370 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) - U.S. leaders began Tuesday a flurry of diplomatic activity, from the Gulf to Asia via Europe, to tighten the economic knot around Iraq and to broaden the role of U.S. allies.

Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady was leaving Tuesday for Europe and Asia, traveling to Paris, Tokyo, Seoul and Singapore to persuade friendly nations to cough up funds to help those most affected by the Gulf crisis.

In Asia, the Philippines and India have lost the income of home remittances sent by tens of thousands of their nationals who were working in Kuwait before the Iraqi invasion, while oil imports have dried up.

Pakistan and Bangladesh, two Moslem nations which have agreed to provide troops to help defend Saudi Arabia from a possible Iraqi attack, have been hit in the same way.

Nationals from all four countries who fled Kuwait since the August 2 invasion have lost everything they possessed and are stranded in massive refugee camps along the Iraq-Jordan border while their governments lack the resources to repatriate them.

The refugee situation is also ravaging the Jordanian economy, which is already threatened with devastation because it will lose most of its foreign revenues if it applies fully the U.N. sanctions against Iraq. Jordan too has been seeking international emergency financial assistance.

Another nation bordering Iraq is Turkey which, according to Foreign Minister Ali Bozer, has lost some 4.5 billion dollars in revenue since it shut down a pipeline pumping Iraqi oil to the world markets.

East European nations, already suffering severe financial problems before the Gulf crisis erupted, have found themselves deprived of their main supply of oil and are now being forced to pay hard cash in convertible

currencies to purchase Soviet oil.

And Egypt, a stalwart in the anti-Iraqi coalition, says it stands to lose two billion dollars in one year primarily because of the loss of home remittances by their nationals who had been working in Iraq and Kuwait and the loss of transit fees for ships passing through the Suez Canal.

President George Bush announced Tuesday that he would ask Congress to forgive Egypt's 7.1 billion dollar military debt to the United States in recognition of its role in countering Iraqi aggression.

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#90247d7590 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT 4) - At least 13 people were killed and 31 more injured when a powerful bomb believed planted by tribal militants exploded on a bus in eastern India's Assam state Tuesday, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

Seven people died instantly and six more died in hospital, officials quoted by PTI said. Thirty-one others were under treatment in hospital for injuries.

The officials blamed the bombing on Bodo tribal militants campaigning for a separate state in part of Assam, PTI said.

The blast on the Assam State Transport Corp. bus occurred as it passed through Rangiya in Assam's Kamrup district on way to Guwahati, the former Assamese capital, PTI said.

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#90247d7610 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (SEPT 4) - Ghanaian students Tuesday added their voice to calls for a return to a multy-party system in the West African country, the Ghana News Agency (Gna) reported.

The students, Gna said, insisted that all parties must be funded by the state to ''eliminate the economic interests that make politicians corrupt through trying to recoup monies they have invested in the parties they support''.

Gna quoted the President of the National Union of Ghana Students (Nugs) Daniel Owusu-Nyampong as saying state funding of political parties would also bring ''the weak and marginalised sections of society into the mainstream of political activities''.

The students join the Movement for Freedom and Justice (Mfj), the Kwame

Nkrumah revolutionary guards, the lawyers and the New Democratic Movement in calling for a return to party politics which the government of Jerry Rawlings has strongly argued brings strife, bitterness and corruption.

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#90247d7630 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT 4) - An Iraqi Airways jet chartered by the embassy of Qatar left Baghdad early Tuesday evening for the Jordanian capital, Amman with an unknown number of foreign evacuees on board, aviation officials here sid.

No details were available officially about the passengers on the Qatari chartered flight although informed sources said they were believed to be nationals of Arab Gulf states.

Another Iraqi Airways aircraft chartered by the British Embassy in Baghdad was due to take off almost immediately taking more than 100 Western hostages including 36 British women and children, 44 French nationals and 25 Americans.

Earlier Tuesday an Iraqi Airways flight left for Amman with more than 100 Westerners on board including 98 West German women and children.

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#90247d7800 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (SEPT 4) - A warning by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to all foreigners hiding in Kuwait was censored by Iraqi authorities from an interview he gave last week to U.S. pastor Jesse Jackson, a TV producer said Tuesday.

In the warning, Mr. Hussein said any foreigner hiding from Iraqi forces could be treated as a spy, said Av Westin, executive producer of the series "Inside Editions."

The censured eight-to-10-minute portion of the 90-minute interview was discovered late Monday when the film was being edited. The interview was filmed by an Iraqi television crew and the tapes were given to Mr. Jackson's entourage on Saturday.

Mr. Hussein's "dire threat was that anybody who did not turn themselves in within 10 days would be treated as a spy," said Mr. Westin.

Ken Walker, a former ABC Television reporter who accompanied Mr. Jackson on his interview with the Iraqi president, said Mr. Hussein, however, did not threaten to harm the foreigners.

Iraqi officials set no precondition for the interview nor did they warn that it had been censored when they released the tapes, Mr. Walker added.

Mr. Jackson's interview with Mr. Saddam and with several western hostages in Iraq and Kuwait will be aired during a four-part series beginning Tuesday.

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#90247d7850 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (SEPT 4) - A senior PLO official here Tuesday denied he had said in a French newspaper interview that Iraq was now prepared to negotiate a partial withdrawal from Kuwait.

Abu Iyad, the Palestine Liberation Organisation's second-in-command, told Agence France-Presse that he regretted the newspaper had attributed such comments to him.

The newspaper Liberation quoted him as saying Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was ready to negotiate a partial withdrawal from Kuwait but would never allow the exiled Al-Sabah ruling family to return to the emirate.

The PLO is a close ally of Iraq, although it has criticized the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

In Baghdad, the official Iraqi News Agency reasserted Tuesday that "Kuwait is a vital part of Iraqi territory and will remain so for ever," in reaction to the newspaper report.

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#90247d7890 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) - Iraq Tuesday stalled the departure of some 130 Western hostages, including 30 U.S. citizens, destined to leave aboard an Iraqi jet chartered by the United States, the White House said.

At 1600 GMT Tuesday, according to White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater, the Iraqi authorities had still not given permission for the aircraft to leave and had not provided exit visas to the hostages destined for evacuation.

Mr. Fitzwater maintained the Iraqis were deliberately obstructing U.S. efforts to repatriate U.S. citizens.

"It seems like at every step they try to frustrate our efforts," he said.

In London, the British Foreign Office said that some 40 British subjects had already obtained Iraqi exit visas and were due to board an Iraqi

Airways Boeing 727 for Amman.

Mr. Fitwater said that between 70 and 75 U.S. citizens were detained in Iraq and Kuwait and, following the evacuation of about 100 U.S. citizens over the past few days, there were still some 2,000 U.S. citizens including 1,200 women and children stranded in Kuwait and 350 U.S. citizens stranded in Iraq.

Earlier Tuesday, the Iraqi Foreign Ministry claims that the United States was preventing food shipments from reaching Iraq.

The ministry said Baghdad would not accept responsibility for the resulting hardship suffered by thousands of foreigners, notably Asians.

A ministry spokesman, quoted by the Iraqi news agency, said Washington was "preventing certain countries from sending food to Iraq" and said his government "declined all responsibility for what hundreds of thousands of foreigners, Asians especially, would have to endure."

"Many countries with a great number of nationals in Iraq have expressed a desire to provide Iraq with emergency food supplies for their citizens in order to avert the consequences of the imperialist blockade," the ministry spokesman said.

"The United States, determined to tighten its inhuman blockade on Iraq, has prevented these countries from taking any appropriate measures."

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz on Monday said countries with "large numbers" of citizens in Iraq must make "urgent" provisions to provide food for them.

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#90247d7910 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT 4) - Malaysia's gold production fell by around 6.5 percent in June to 200,818 grammes from 214,448 grammes the month before, the Department of Mines said here Tuesday.

The department added that June production of gold as a main product totalled 2,962 grammes while output of gold as a by-product totalled 117,856 grammes, Bernama news agency said.

In comparison, the May figures were 77,406 grammes and 137,042 grammes respectively.

Giving figures for tin production, it said that output of tin concentrates was down to 3,207 tonnes in June from 3,386 tonnes in May while output of tin metal content amounted to 2,417 tonnes in June against 2,556 tonnes

previously.

In June, one tin dredge and 10 gravel pump tin mines were closed, resulting in the number of dredges in operation falling to 26 and the number of gravel pump mines declining to 142, according to the department.

The mining industry employed 14,275 workers in June, down from 14,700 persons in May while those in tin mining fell from 11,235 workers to 10,733 workers.

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#90247d7920 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT 4) - The Securities Exchange of Thailand (SET) index lost 28.20 points, or 3.2 percent, on Tuesday to close at 873.34 points.

Tuesday's turnover was 3.31 billion baht (132,480 U.S. dollars), down from Monday's turnover of 3.85 billion baht (153,960 dollars).

A total of 45.54 million shares changed hands Tuesday, down by 10.58 million from Monday.

SET officials gave no explanation for the 3.2 percent dip in value.

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#90247d7950 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EAST BERLIN (SEPT. 4) - Some 21 civil right activists marched into the former state security ministry in East Berlin Tuesday demanding to be handed the files that the secret police (Stasi) kept on them during the former communist dictatorship.

West Germany so far has refused to promise that the six million files accumulated by the East German secret police will not be made available to Bonn's own intelligence agencies after reunification.

Representatives of several political factions in East Germany have indicated sympathy with the 21 activists, who are determined to remain holed up on the third floor of the ex-Ministry of State Security in East Berlin's Normannenstrasse.

Members of the group said they feared that the West German authorities would deny them access to their files and thus sabotage their rehabilitation.

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#90247d7980 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) - The U.S. Defense Department is using the massive deployment in the Gulf to test a number of sophsticated weapon systems -- some still in development -- in desert conditions and, perhaps, under fire.

Pilotless spy planes, or Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV), and tactical satellite relay stations are two of the state-of-the-art combat systems that could go through real life tests, defense specialty publications said Tuesday.

Israel has for several years used the UAVs successfully and the Defense Department is asking for four billion dollars in funding between 1991 and 1997 to procure the spy planes, the Armed Forces Journal reported.

UAVs are pilotless aircraft that hover over a target and transmit imagery back to a command station on the ground or ship.

The Pioneers medium-range UAV, which resembles a small private plane, and the Canadian-built helicopter Sentinel UAV that is shaped like a peanut are both deployed on U.S. Navy ships in the region, Defense News reported.

The Marines are also equipped with the Pointer UAV. On the outside it looks like a children's windup plane, but the resemblance stops there. The hand-thrown, battery-powered aircraft is designed to conduct short-range reconnaissance.

Using Pointers to conduct reconnaissance missions would relieve the military of the need to send in more costly and manned planes and helicopters, defense analysts said.

Marines, for the first time, are also equipped with receptors linked to NavStar navigation satellites that can view their own position -- an invaluable system in the desert where sand dunes are perpetually moving.

Also to be tested are M1A1 Abrams main battle tank, the M23 Bradley Infantry Fighting Vehicle, both of which have been tested on European terrain but not in the hot, relentless Saudi desert, Defense News said.

But some members of Congress and Pentagon planners have said operational testing of weapons is unrealistic, with some charging that the Defense Department rigs the tests to ensure good results.

Congress, in the past, has demanded favorable results during the testing of some weapons systems and has threatened to withdraw funding if the weaponry does not meet certain standards.

Some information has already come from troops on the ground who have complained about problems from the fine sand that penetrates everything including the M-60 machine-guns.

Air conditioning in transport vehicles that carry indispensable computers in a modern army are too weak for the desert heat, causing failures in the radar launching system of the Patriot anti-aircraft missile.

Soldiers have been reduced to protecting their radios with damp napkins at regular intervals to protect cables. The heat has also caused breakdowns in fighter plane and combat helicopter viewfinders.

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#90247d8020 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 4) - At least 10 people were killed after attacks on Hindu religious processions triggered widespread violence in western India's Gujarat state Tuesday, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

Rival groups clashed in Gujarat's Baroda, Surat and Anand towns after word spread that unidentified people had thrown stones at Hindu processions marking the end of the 10-day annual Ganesh festival, police told PTI.

An indefinite curfew was imposed on the old walled city area of Baroda, the worst hit, where six people were killed and "many" more were injured, PTI said.

One of the six was killed when police opened fire on a stone-throwing crowd, police quoted by PTI said. The Baroda firing injured one other person.

The agency did not specify the total number hurt or the extent of their injuries.

The police opened fire after using batons and tear gas to try and break up clashes between rival groups, which were not indentified.

A number of houses and shops were set on fire in the incidents, PTI said.

Three people were killed in Anand town when police fired to quell similar riots, police quoted by PTI said.

An unidentified person was stabbed to death in Surat, PTI said, adding that four more were injured in violence there, one of them seriously.

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#90247d8030 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (SEPT 4) - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said here Tuesday that Israel would leave its options open on a Soviet call for an international conference on the Gulf crisis.

"Although Israel is not an involved party in the Gulf crisis, we do not reject out of hand the idea of an international conference centred on this conflict," he told journalists.

The premier's spokesman, Avi Pazner, added however that Israel was opposed to the convening of an international conference on the Middle East in general,
 opting instead for direct talks with Arab states.

"Whoever wants to resolve the Gulf problem through an international conference, that's his affair, but if the idea is to include Israel in all the problems of the region, our reply is clearly 'no,'" he said.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said earlier Tuesday that Moscow wanted to "step up pressure for an international conference" as a possible solution to the Gulf crisis.

"Israel's agreement to it being called could exert a great influence on the overall situation in the Middle East and on efforts to defuse the crisis in the Persian Gulf," Mr. Shevardnadze said.

His announcement appeared to be a revival of a long-standing Soviet proposal for an international conference on the troubled region, which has in the past been rejected by Israel and most Western countries.

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#90247d8070 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DAKAR (SEPT. 4) - Senegal is to send troops to Saudi Arabia, President Abdou Diouf said at a cabinet meeting here Tuesday, according to an official statement.

Senegal thus becomes the first black African country to send a contingent to join the U.S.-led multinational force sent to protect Saudi Arabia from possible attack by Iraq following its August 2 invasion of neighboring Kuwait.

Mr. Diouf said Senegal backed the search for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis in the framework of U.N. resolutions.

No information was given about the size of the contingent to be sent by the West African country.

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#90247d8120 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PORT OF SPAIN (SEPT 4) - Imam Yasin Abu Bakr, the Black Muslim leader who

led the unsuccessful attempt at a coup d'etat in July, met in Tripoli with Libyan leader Moamer Kadhafi the Trinidad Guardian reported Tuesday in a report which included photos apparently showing the two men in the Libyan capital.

The newspaper said the photos were discovered in Mr. Abu Bakr's house, among items found by police when they raided the house. Mr. Abu Bakr is leader of the Jamaat Al Muslimeen, a Black Muslim group.

The Libyan leader has denied links to the coup attempt by members of the Muslimeen on July 27, said the Guardian.But he admitted meeting Mr. Abu Bakr at an Islamic conference in Libya.

According to the Guardian, the police also seized what were described as false travel documents from Middle Eastern countries.

The report said some Trinidad and Tobago passports were found showing entry stamps for Saudi Arabia.

Videotapes reportedly made in an Arab country, explaining terrorist methods were also discovered,the paper reported.

The Guardian said when police raided the Black Muslim group's commune, they found bombs made with transistor radio batteries, galvanized pipe, and explosives used in quarrying.

Mr. Abu Bakr and 112 members of the group are facing several charges stemming from the coup attempt, including treason and murder.

Twenty-four people, including one member of Parliament, were killed in the uprising when the Muslimeen members stormed Parliament and a television station, holding Prime Minister Ray Robinson and 16 MPs hostage for five days. Mr. Robinson was shot in both legs and has still not resumed duties as prime minister.

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#90247d8550 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 4) - The U.S. Defense Department has paid U.S. aircraft builder McDonnell Douglas a 140 million dollar advance on a contract to supply 40 F-18 Hornet jet fighters to Kuwait, the Pentagon said Tuesday.

The order -- some 1.2 billion dollars -- falls within the U.S. military foreign aid program.

Kuwait is currently occupied by Iraq. But the Pentagon spokesman said Washington was counting on restoration of the Kuwaiti Government ousted in the August 2 invasion by Iraq.

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#90247d8640 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (SEPT 4) - Black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela met with Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok late on Tuesday to discuss continuing violence in black townships around Johannesburg, state-run radio said.

A fresh outbreak of black-on-black violence in the Sebokeng black township some 60 kilometres (36 miles) south of here left 36 people dead on Tuesday bringing the death toll since violence flared on August 13 to 560.

The clashes saw supporters of the African National Congress (ANC) pitted against Zulu hostel dwellers loyal to Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom Party.

No statement was issued after Tuesday's meeting, which took place at an undisclosed venue, the radio added.

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#90247d8700 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOI (SEPT 5) - Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen asserted Tuesday that Prince Norodom Sihanouk had not been invited to talks this week in Jakarta and urged Indonesia to include the former Cambodian monarch.

Cambodian Ambassador to Hanoi Tep Hen said the premier had sent a letter to Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas saying, "I still could not understand the reason why your excellency has not invited Prince Sihanouk."

Mr. Hun Sen's letter stressed that the prince is "always president of the CGDK," the resistance government opposed to Mr. Hun Sen's Vietnamese-backed Phnom Penh administration, the ambassador said.

Mr. Hun Sen has refused to attend the informal talks between the rival Cambodian factions planned this week in Jakarta because Prince Sihanouk was not attending.

"Prince Sihanouk has been regarded by many as the key person to all political solution to the Cambodian problem," Mr. Hun Sen's letter said.

"May I request your excellency to reexamine the opportunity to invite him to attend this meeting."

Prince Sihanouk's office in Bangkok issued a statement Tuesday saying "Mr. Hun Sen has no right whatsoever to demand that Norodom Sihanouk be his opposite at the meeting in Jakarta."

Prince Sihanouk's son, Prince Norodom Ranariddh, had yet to decide Tuesday whether to attend the talks in the absence of Mr. Hun Sen, according to his office in Bangkok.

A Phnom Penh delegation led by Hor Nam Hong, a top Hun Sen aide, was expected in Jakarata on Wednesday, when the talks were originally scheduled to start.

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#90247d8790 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (SEPT 4) - A Colombian industrialist was killed along with 12 of his kidnappers this week in a shootout with police during a resuce operation gone awry, authorities said Tuesday.

Julian Echavarria Lince, 46, was killed Monday during a shootout between his kidnappers and would-be rescuers in the heavily forested Magdalena Medio region, an area known for its paramilitary death squads -- some of them financed by Colombian cocaine traffickers.

Mr. Echavarria had been abducted from his ranch northwest of Bogota May 18 along with his 10-year-old stepson by a group of gunmen dressed in military-style uniforms.

The boy was rescued safe.

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#90247d8810 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAINT-MARCELLIN, FRANCE, (SEPT 4) - A train driver died and 70 passengers were slightly injured Tuesday in a collision between two trains on a single track near this southeastern town, according to the regional police headquarters.

The police said that the victim was the driver of a train going from Saint-Gervais to Nice, which collided with the Catalan-Talgo train travelling from Geneva to Barcelona.

The driver of the Saint-Gervais-Nice train apparently entered his train onto the single track when he should have waited on a side track at the Saint-Marcellin Station for the passage of the Catalan-Talgo, which had the right of way.

The injured passengers, most of them suffering only from bruises, were taken to two hospitals in the area.

In 1985, a train coming from Paris collided with a railcar coming from southern France, killing 31 people and seriously injuring 91.

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#90247d8990 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MEXICO CITY (SEPT 4) - The skeletons of 81 nuns buried some 200 years ago were discovered under the Ministry of Education building, it was reported here Tuesday.

Archeologist Carlos Salas told local newspapers that his excavation team found the bones in a 70-square-meter (750-square-feet) area in what might have been the choir loft of a 18th century Roman Catholic church.

The common grave was located near the city's Metropolitan Cathedral and an ancient temple of the Aztec Indians, who inhabited the region before the Spanish conquistadors arrived in the Western Hemisphere.

The skulls of the skeletons were adorned with copper decorations and were dressed in clothing worn only twice in their lives -- "when they took their vows and when they died," said Mr. Salas.

Artifacts and human remains of various historical epocs have often been discovered in the historic center of Mexico City, site of the ancient Aztec capital Tenochtitlan.

Modern buildings here now sit atop many of the Aztecs' pre-Hispanic temples and edifices.

The archeologists, who began their excavation May 10, also encountered chinaware, gold jewelry, and crucifixes.

The scientists were continuing their dig in search of other artefacts.

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#90247d9000 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OTTAWA (SEPT 4) - The Canadian Embassy in Baghdad has leased an Iraqi aircraft to evacuate Canadian women and children held against their will in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, a government spokesman said Tuesday.

Rejean Tessier, a spokesman for the secretary of state for external affairs, said an Iraqi Boeing 707 would land Thursday in Kuwait to pick up some 150 Canadian women and children.

He said the jet would then fly to Baghdad, where 25 other Canadian mothers and children are to board the plane.

All of the evacuees, who have demanded exit visas from Iraqi authorities, were to land first in Ankara before returning to Canada.

"We don't anticipate there will be delays of individuals. We will see how it goes," said Mr. Tessier.

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#90247d9010 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 4) - Another expeditionary brigade of 2,200 U.S. Marines has arrived in the Gulf, the Defense Department announced Tuesday.

A Pentagon spokesman, Colonel Stuart Wagner, said the 5th Marine Expeditionary Brigade -- based in Okinawa, Japan -- had arrived in the region.

President George Bush ordered thousands of U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia August 7 to deter a possible attack by Iraqi troops, which invaded neighboring Kuwait five days earlier.

Pentagon sources said the department also deployed F-15 and F-16 fighter jets to Oman and the United Arab Emirates, while Bahrain had agreed to permit U.S. F-18 fighter jets, A-6 ground attack planes, and some vertical-takeoff-and-landing jets to land on its territory.

Last week, Qatar indicated it would accept the deployment of U.S. F-16's on its territory.

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#90247d9360 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (SEPT. 5) - Taiwan's foreign trade surplus in the first eight months of 1990 dwindled 15.1 percent from the same period last year to 8.01 billion U.S. dollars, according to government figures released Wednesday.

Exports in the January-August period slid one percent to 44.03 billion dollars, while imports inched up 2.8 percent to 36.02 billion dollars, a report from the Directorate General of Budget, Accounting and Statistics said.

In August alone, the sagging exports declined 1.3 percent from a year earlier to 5.87 billion dollars while imports registered a rare 4.5 percent drop to 4.28 billion dollars, leaving a surplus of 1.59 billion dollars.

Taiwan's trade surplus with the United States, the island's biggest trading partner, slipped 23.9 percent to 6.14 billion dollars out of a two-way trade of 25.21 billion dollars in the first eight months of this year.

The United States accounted for 33.4 percent of Taiwan's overall exports in the first eight months, followed by Japan with 12.3 percent, it added.

The long-standing trade deficit with Japan, Taiwan's largest supplier, rose 11.6 percent to 5.08 billion dollars out of a total bilateral trade of 15.94 billion dollars in the same period.

Japan sold 10.51 billion dollars worth of products to the island in the January-August period, taking a 29.2 percent share of Taiwan's total imports, the report said.

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#90247d9450 09/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manila (SEPT. 5) - The death toll has risen to at least 65 in severe flooding in the Philippine capital Manila and surrounding provinces over the past ten days, officials said here Wednesday.

High water destroyed or seriously damaged the homes of around a quarter of a million people, cutting off until Wednesday at least 50 villages in the worst-hit provinces of Pampanga and Tarlac on main Luzon island.

The flood waters unleashed by monsoon rainfall swept away bridges, damaged roads and caused numerous landslides.

The flooding on Luzon island came after a severe earthquake killed at least 1,600 people on July 16.

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#90247e0023 09/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

New Delhi (SEPT. 4) EFE - The Indian government has sent 17 tonnes of foods to Jordan for 1,400 of its citizens housed in refugee camps there since they fled from Iraq, the PTI news agency reported Tuesday.

Quoting a foreign ministry spokesman, PTI said the plane carrying rice, lentils and powdered milk left India Monday for the Jordanian capital of Amman.

The spokesman said the government would also try to send medicines to Jordan via the International Red Cross.

Tens of thousands of foreigners have fled to Jordan from Iraq since Baghdad invaded Kuwait August 2.

Conditions at the refugee camps are said to be dire and the Jordanian government has appealed for international aid to help feed and care for the foreigners until they can be evacuated.

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#90247e0024 09/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Buenos Aires (SEPT. 4) EFE - The World Bank is to back up Argentine President Carlos Menem's drastic economic reform program with a dlrs one billion loan, a Buenos Aires newspaper reported Tuesday.

According to the daily El Cronista, government sources have revealed that the loan will be ratified during a visit to Argentina by World Bank vice president Moeen Qureshi on September 15.

The loan will be split into four main parts to bolster Menem's economic reforms begun 14 months ago.

Government sources said that a large part of the loan will go to maintain foreign exchange levels, hopefully avoiding a crisis on the currency markets such as happened throughout last year and early this year.

The credit will also be put towards covering the social cost of the reform program, mainly through the resumption of low-cost housing projects abandoned over the last year.

Provincial authorities will no longer receive state aid in cutting costs, and will be given a final pay-off out of the loan.

Finally, 120,000 state sector layoffs announced last week will be partially funded through the loan.

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#90247e0025 09/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ROSARIO, ARGENTINA (SEPT. 4) EFE - A police officer in the Argentine city of Rosario has been arrested after a woman he was taking a statement from recognized him as the thief who had robbed her home hours earlier.

"It's him, I'm absolutely sure of it because I got a glimpse of his face when his hood slipped back", Juana Corbo told the police station's chief.

Corbo had turned up for help at her local police station after three robbers burst into her home in Rosario, 300 km northwest of Buenos Aires, and stole jewellery and documents.

Police were able to arrest another one of the robbers thanks to scratches on his face made by Corbo's daughter, Gisella, who had thrown herself on the thieves when they broke into her home.

A police spokesman said they were still searching for the third suspect.

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#90247e0026 09/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
PAMPLONA, SPAIN (SEPT. 4) EFE - A Spanish woman is ill with cholera after returning from Morocco where authorities have reported an outbreak of the disease, Spanish heath authorities said Tuesday.

A spokesman at Navarra Hospital in Pamplona, 310 km north of Madrid, said the woman was admitted Sunday and that she was recovering and out of danger.

The 32-year-old woman had gone on holiday to Morocco where she reportedly drank from a public fountain. The sometimes fatal disease can be spread by contaminated water.

She returned to Spain last week after suffering the first symptoms in the Moroccan capital of Rabat, the spokesman said.

Moroccan health authorities admit there is an outbreak of cholera in the country but have not disclosed the number of cases.

But on Monday, the Madrid daily El Mundo reported that more than 100 Moroccans had died in the cholera outbreak.

Spanish press reports this week have said that Spanish authorities were taking steps to prevent the disease spreading into Europe as some 300,000 Moroccans returning from holidays in their homeland to Western Europe by road through Spain.

A statement from the Moroccan Health Ministry said preventive measures recommended by the ministry would be sufficient to control the outbreak.

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#90247e0029 09/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
BARCELONA (SEPT. 4) EFE - Spanish experts said Tuesday they believe that a virus, and not toxic waste, is the mystery killer that has wiped out hundreds of Mediterranean striped dolphins.

But although a vaccine could probably be produced as an antidote, they fear the deep-sea loving dolphins will prove impossible to innoculate.

Alex Aguilar, a biologist at Barcelona University who is also president of the European Society of Cetaceans, said Tuesday that a yet unidentified virus was probably the cause of the epidemic.

He rejected the idea that chemical waste flushed into the sea from factories was killing the marine mammales although post-mortems showed levels as much as 70 times the normal expected in their bodies.

Ferran Costa, a biologist at Barcelona Zoo, said that although it was feasible to make up a vaccine it would be impossible to administer it to the dolphins.

Unlike North Sea seals which were hit by a virus some two years ago, dolphins never come to shore and rarely swim within 10 miles of the coast.

Costa belives the dolphins' only salvation can come from building up their own antibodies to the virus although he added this may come too late to save it from extinction in the Mediterranean.

The team of experts studying the problem, including David Taylor from the British Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, hopes to catch a live dolphin to speed up their analysis.

So far they have been restricted to studying bodies, some 150 of which have been washed up on Spanish beaches, but fishing authorities in the northeastern region of Catalonia have now sent out patrols to try and catch a live specimen.

On Monday Taylor acknowledged the possibility that the dolphins' immune system had been weakened by dumped chemical waste as the environmental group Greenpeace has charged.

But he said there was not enough evidence to blame the plague on pollution.

He noted that autopsies indicated that the dolphins died from acute liver failure probably caused by a virus or biological toxin.

"So far 200 dead dolphins have been found, but we reckon there may be a thousand more in the Mediterranean," he added.

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#90247e0033 09/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Amman (SEPT. 4) EFE - The Gulf state of Qatar has ordered the expulsion of the political attache from the Palestine Liberation Organization's (PLO) embassy, the PLO's ambassador to Jordan said Tuesday.

PLO ambassador Abdel Rajim said that political attache Abdel Shefi Mahmud Sayan had been told to leave Qatar within five days, without any reasons being given, following the expulsion of three other PLO embassy officials last week.

"There is no justifiable reason for such measures except that they are the fruit of the ill-intentioned attitude of these governments,+ said Rajim, referring to the Gulf nations' support for Kuwait following its invasion

by Iraq last month.

"The PLO will not keep quiet and will take the measures necessary to protect the interests of the Palestinian people."

On Monday the PLO said that Qatar was preparing to expel hundreds of Palestinians resident in the emirate because of their support for Iraq.

The residents had been prevented from returning to their jobs after taking their holidays and had been asked to leave the country.

Last week PLO leader Yasser Arafat proposed a five-point plan to solve the Gulf crisis, including the deployment of a pan-Arab force in Kuwait and the withdrawal of non-Arab forces from the Gulf region.

Qatar, however, has supported the arrival of U.S.-led multinational forces sent to ward off further Iraqi aggression and enforce a United Nations trade embargo against Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

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#90247e0034 09/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT 4) EFE - The Khmer Rouge will not attend peace talks in the Indonesian capital of Jakarta, scheduled for Wednesday, unless the Cambodian premier Hun Sen also attends, a Khmer Rouge spokesman said Tuesday.

Hun Sen announced he would not attend the United Nations-backed peace talks unless Prince Norodom Sihanouk was present, who had planned to send an envoy.

As a result Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Samphan said he would not attend, and neither would any other senior Khmer Rouge representative.

The Khmer Rouge is the most powerful of a tri-partite opposition coalition made up of factions led by former monarch Prince Norodom Sihanouk and former prime minister Son Sann.

The rebel coalition has been fighting the Vietnamese-backed government of Hun Sen in an 11-year-long civil war.

Announced last week, the peace plan calls for a cease-fire and the intervention of some 10,000 UN troops to keep the peace until elections could take place,

The plan was initially well received by both Vietnam and Cambodia, as well as the rebel coalition, and all agreed to meet Wednesday to set the terms for a regional power sharing agreement.

Vietnam invaded Cambodia in 1978, putting an end to three years of brutal Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge government in which up to one million people died, almost a seventh of the population.

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#90247e0041 09/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 4) EFE - The United States intends to include Iraq in a list of countries which support terrorist acts, a State Department spokesman said Tuesday.

The spokesman, saying a decision was imminent, added that Secretary of State James Baker might make the announcement Tuesday during a congressional meeting on the Gulf crisis.

Iraq was taken off the list in 1982 after distancing itself from Arab terrorist groups in an apparent attempt to gain Western support during the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war.

But press reports since Baghdad's takeover of Kuwait have said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has offered protection and other aid to terrorist groups and was preparing terrorist acts in Europe.

Economic sanctions are imposed on other terrorist-branded countries which include Syria, Iran, Libya, North Korea and Cuba.

But the inclusion of Iraq on the list will have little affect, since a U.N.-approved international embargo has already been imposed on that country.

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#90247e0042 09/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT 4) EFE - Iraqi forces have been deploying ballistic missiles near Kuwait city, witnesses leaving the invaded emirate said on Saudi Arabia's Radio Riyadh Tuesday.

The witnesses said the Iraqis had been deploying large, white missiles outside the Kuwaiti capital over the last few days.

According to the radio, monitored in Nicosia, the missiles included the Iraqi-made Al Abbas, Al Hussein and Al Saddam types, which can carry chemical or nuclear heads.

Al Abbas missiles have a range of 900 km while Al Hussein missiles, which were used in the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war, have a range of 600 km.

The Al Saddam missile is thought to have a 1,200 km range and is similar to the Soviet Scud-B model.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein invaded and annexed neighbouring Kuwait five weeks ago.

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#90247f2320 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Tuesday 389.49 up 2.26.

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#90247h0004 09/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 4) XINHUA - VISITING BRAZILIAN FOREIGN MINISTER FRANCISCO REZEK SAID HERE YESTERDAY THAT HIS COUNTRY WOULD NOT EXPORT WEAPONS TO IRAQ UNDER ITS PRESENT LEADERSHIP EVER AFTER U.N. SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ ARE LIFTED.

REZEK MADE THE PLEDGE AT A MEETING WITH JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER TARO NAKAYAMA, ACCORDING TO JAPANESE GOVERNMENT SOURCES.

BRAZIL WAS A MAJOR SUPPLIER OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS TO IRAQ WHILE IT WAS UNDER MILITARY RULE FROM 1964 TO 1985, REZEK SAID, ADDING THAT ALL TRADE IN WEAPONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WAS SUSPENDED ONE AND HALF YEARS AGO.

REZEK ARRIVED HERE ON SUNDAY FOR A THREE-DAY VISIT.

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#90247h0018 09/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 4) XINHUA - THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF) HAS THREATENED TO STOP ASSISTANCE TO PAKISTAN IF IT DOES NOT RAISE OIL PRICES TO THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL.

ACCORDING TO LOCAL PRESS REPORTS TODAY, THE WARNING WAS CONVEYED BY FINANCE MINISTER SARTAJ AZIZ TO THE CARETAKER GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN AT A CABINET MEETING ON MONDAY.

THE REPORTS SAID THAT THE IMF HAS WARNED PAKISTAN AGAINST BREACHING ITS AGREEMENT WITH THE FUND TO RAISE OIL PRICES, OTHERWISE IT WILL STOP THE DISBURSEMENT OF ITS PROMISED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WHICH THE COUNTRY BADLY NEEDS TO COVER THE ADDITIONAL BALANCE OF PAYMENTS GAP OF ONE BILLION DOLLARS.

SARTAJ AZIZ HAS REPORTEDLY SUGGESTED A 33.6 PERCENT INCREASE IN OIL PRICES TO RECOVER THE ADDITIONAL COST IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. THE IMF HAS DIRECTED PAKISTAN TO WORK WITH AN AVERAGE PRICE OF 24 DOLLARS A BARREL AGAINST 17 DOLLARS A BARREL AS WAS ESTIMATED AT THE TIME OF FORMULATION OF THE CURRENT YEAR'S BUDGET.

ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL FIGURES, PAKISTAN WILL LOSE ONE BILLION U.S. DOLLARS THIS YEAR, IF THE GULF CRISIS CONTINUES, FROM THE RISE OF OIL PRICES AND THE SHARP DROP OF REMITTANCES FROM THE REGION.

THE CABINET REVIEWED THE SITUATION IN DETAIL, BUT DEFERRED A FINAL DECISION ON THIS ACCOUNT AS THE MAJORITY OF MINISTERS DID NOT FAVOR ANY IMMEDIATE RISE IN OIL PRICES, FEARING ADVERSE PUBLIC REACTION WILL AFFECT THE FORTHCOMING GENERAL ELECTIONS.

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#90247h0043 09/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BUCHAREST (SEPT. 4) XINHUA - DOZENS OF SOCCER FANS WERE INJURED IN A SOCCER RIOT IN PITESTI, ROMANIA LAST SUNDAY.

ACCORDING TO LOCAL REPORTS HERE TUESDAY, IN A MATCH BETWEEN THE AREGES TEAM AND THE RAPID SQUAD, WHEN A PLAYER OF RAPID WAS SENT OFF IN THE SECOND HALF, ANGRY RAPID SOCCER FANS RUSHED ONTO THE FIELD AND FOUGHT WITH POLICEMAN, THREW IRON STICKS TO THE AREGES SOCCER FANS IN THE STANDS.

THE RIOT RESULTED IN DOZENS OF INJURIES. POLICE HELD 45 SOCCER FANS IN CUSTODY TO PUT SITUATION UNDER CONTROL AND ANOTHER 50 WERE FINED FOR MISCONDUCT.

A LOCAL NEWSPAPER "MORNING" REPORTED FOUR DEATHS IN THE UNREST. BUT IT COULD NOT BE CONFIRMED.

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#90247h0044 09/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WINDHOEK (SEPT. 4) XINHUA - PETROL PRICE IN NAMIBIA INCREASED 10 CENTS (FOUR U.S. CENTS) A LITRE FROM TODAY IN REACTION TO THE INCREASED WORLD OIL PRICES TRIGGERED BY THE GULF WAR.

MR. TOIVO YA TOIVO, MINISTER OF MINES AND ENERGY SAID YESTERDAY THAT PETROL PRICE INCREASE IN NAMIBIA IS CONSIDERABLY LOWER THAN THE APPROXIMATE 25 PERCENT INCREASE ON THE WORLD MARKET.

REPORTS FROM PRETORIA SAID THAT PETROL PRICE IN SOUTH AFRICA ALSO INCREASED TEN CENTS A LITRE FROM TODAY. NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA USE THE SAME CURRENCY RAND.

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#90247h0082 09/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 4) XINHUA - A MOTION ON EMPLOYMENT LAW RESTRICTING RIGHT OF STRIKE HAS BEEN PASSED BY A MAJORITY AT THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE BRITISH TRADES UNION CONGRESS (TUC).

THE MOTION, WHICH WAS IN LINE WITH THE OPPOSITION LABOR PARTY'S POLICY, WAS "DESIGNED TO RESTORE A REASONABLE BALANCE BETWEEN EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES."

UNDER THE NEW POLICY ADOPTED ON MONDAY, PICKETING WOULD BE LIMITED, BALLOTS REQUIRED BEFORE A STRIKE AND UNION OFFICIALS SUBJECT TO ELECTION.

SYMPATHETIC INDUSTRIAL ACTION WOULD BE ALSO LIMITED TO INSTANCES WHERE THERE IS A DIRECT INTEREST BETWEEN TWO GROUPS OF WORKERS.

THE CONFERENCE WANTED WORKERS AND UNIONS IN U.K. TO ENJOY NO LESS RESPECT FROM THE GOVERNMENT THAN THEIR COLLEAGUES AND FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS IN OTHER EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC) COUNTRIES.

THE TUC LOOKS FORWARD "TO AN END TO CONFRONTAION BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND UNIONS AS A BASIS OF BUILDING ON THE EUROPEAN SOCIAL CHARTER."

"THIS COULD ONLY BENEFIT THE ECONOMY AND SOCIETY," THE RESOLUTION SAID. THE DECISION WAS REGARDED AS AN HISTORIC OPTION AND AN ESSENTIAL INGREDIENT TO A POSSIBLE LABOR ELECTION VICTORY.

THE CONFERENCE REJECTED A LEFT WING COUNTER-PROPOSAL, WHICH SOME UNION LEADERS BELIEVED COULD MAKE LABOR UNELECTABLE.

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#90247h0090 09/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 4) XINHUA - THE JAPANESE DEFENSE AGENCY PLANS TO ESTABLISH A NEW SUBMARINE BASE IN SASEBO, NAGASAKI PREFECTURE, AND DEPLOY TWO TO THREE VESSELS THERE BY MARCH 1994, KYODO NEWS AGENCY QUOTED DEFENSE AGENCY SOURCES AS SAYING TODAY.

IT WILL BE JAPAN'S THIRD SUBMARINE BASE, ALONG WITH YOKOSUKA, KANAGAWA PREFECTURE, AND KURE IN HIROSHIMA PREFECTURE.

THE NEW BASE IS DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THE CAPABILITY OF THE MARITIME SELF-DEFENSE FORCE (MSDF) TO DEFEND THE TSUSHIMA STRAIT BETWEEN THE KOREAN PENINSULA AND JAPAN'S SOUTHERNMOST MAIN ISLAND OF KYUSHU.

THE MSDF'S FLEET OF 16 SUBMARINES WILL RISE TO 18 OR 19 BY MARCH 1994.

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#90247h0092 09/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
CAIRO (SEPT. 4) XINHUA - EGYPT SENT TROOPS TO THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES TODAY TO HELP DEFEND "ANY OUTSIDE AGGRESSION," THE MIDDLE EAST NEWS AGENCY (MENA) SAID.

THE EGYPTIAN FORCES WERE SENT TO THE UAE TO "REINFORCE ITS DEFENSE CAPABILITIES AGAINST ANY OUTSIDE AGGRESSION" AND WILL "SERVE UNDER THE UAE COMMAND," MENA REPORTED, WITHOUT SPECIFYING THE SIZE AND TYPES OF THE FORCES.

A MILITARY SOURCE, HOWEVER, SAID 350 EGYPTIAN TROOPS OF VARIOUS TYPES WERE FLOWN THERE.

THE UAE IS THE SECOND COUNTRY AFTER SAUDI ARABIA TO ALLOW FOREIGN AND ARAB FORCES TO STAY ON ITS TERRITORY. OTHER GULF STATES, INCLUDING BAHRAIN, QATAR AND OMAN, HAVE AGREED TO PROVIDE MILITARY FACILITIES TO FOREIGN TROOPS OR PERMITTED MILITARY DEPLOYMENT ON THEIR LANDS.

EGYPT HAS REPORTEDLY SENT ABOUT 4,000 TROOPS TO SAUDI ARABIA TO JOIN AN ARAB FORCE IN LINE WITH THE AUGUST 10 ARAB SUMMIT RESOLUTIONS TO HELP DEFEND THE KINGDOM AGAINST POSSIBLE ATTACKS FROM THE OUTSIDE.

SYRIA AND MOROCCO ALSO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE ARAB FORCE IN THE GULF.

THE SUMMIT RESOLUTIONS, ADOPTED BY 12 OF THE 21 ARAB LEAGUE COUNTRIES, SANCTIONED DISPATCH OF A JOINT FORCE FROM MEMBER STATES TO DEFEND THE GULF COUNTRIES FROM POSSIBLE ATTACKS FROM IRAQ WHICH INVADED KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2 AND ANNEXED IT SIX DAYS LATER.

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#90247h0097 09/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
KATHMANDU (SEPT. 4) XINHUA - THIRTY-TWO PERSONS HAVE BEEN KILLED IN FLOODS AND LANDSLIDES THAT OCCURRED IN CHITWAN DISTRICT IN SOUTHERN NEPAL IN THE PAST FEW DAYS.

THE NEPALESE NATIONAL NEWS AGENCY RSS TODAY REPORTED THAT THE FLOODS AND LANDSLIDES IN THE DISTRICT HAVE DAMAGED 1,035 HOUSES AND SUBMERGED FOUR VILLAGES.

THE NEPAL RED CROSS SOCIETY HAS PROVIDED 5,000 KILOGRAMS OF RICE, 1,000 KILOGRAMS OF POTATOES, 300 KILOGRAMS OF ONIONS AND 330 KILOGRAMS OF MILK TO THE FLOOD VICTIMS AS IMMEDIATE RELIEF ASSISTANCE, RSS SAID.

SIX SUBCOMMITTEES COMPRISING POLITICAL WORKERS, SOCIAL PERSONNEL, POLICE AND ARMYMEN HAVE BEEN FORMED TO ASSIST THE FLOOD VICTIMS.

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#90247j0001 09/04/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)
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Larry King Live (CNN) September 3, 1990 (Transcript #121)

Latest News From the Frontline in the Persian Gulf: Beth Krekeler, a former hostage in Iraq, tells about her experiences. She is joined by Rep. Stephen Solarz, who has just returned from a fact-finding mission to the Persian Gulf. David Chikvaidze, Assistant to the Soviet Ambassador to the U.S., discusses the upcoming U.S.-U.S.S.R. summit, particularly as it relates to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Nightline (ABC) September 3, 1990 (Transcript #2421)

Some American Hostages Out / U.S.-Soviet Summit: Escaped hostage Dick Clay describes his flight from Kuwait with forged Filipino citizenship papers while former Kuwait City hostage Lloyd Culbertson describes the siege at the U.S. mission in Kuwait. Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennadi Gerasimov expresses Soviet hopes for a diplomatic resolution to the Persian Gulf crisis and looks forward to the upcoming Helsinki summit.

Crossfire (CNN) September 3, 1990 (Transcript #131)

The Crude Reality: George Frampton, President of The Wilderness Society, and Bush Administration off-shore oil adviser Bob Kallman discuss alternatives to America's dependence on oil from the Persian Gulf.

Face to Face With Connie Chung September 3, 1990 (Transcript #42)

''Greta Garbo'' (a report on the real woman behind the myths); ''k.d. lang: On the Road'' (interview with the Canadian country/western singer); ''The Cruzan Case: A Family Nightmare'' (report on the U.S. Supreme Court ruling on the right to die of comatose Nancy Cruzan).

Good Morning America (ABC) September 3, 1990 (Transcript #1101)

Jesse Jackson's Iraq mission; Bush-Gorbachev summit on Gulf crisis; Gulf crisis and the election; collecting on theft/loss insurance; Sharon Gless

interview; a Kuwait hostage returns (Ed Johnson); Life Magazine's 100 Most Important 20th-Century Americans; teen style; Kenny G. interview.

Donahue September 3, 1990 (Transcript #3025)

Toxic Parents (Repeat-#2774): Millions of adults suffer the legacy of toxic parents. Dr. Susan Forward offers advice on how to let go and get on with life.

Oprah Winfrey Show September 3, 1990 (Transcript #1036)

Fell Out of Love After 20 Years: Devastated wives and husbands share the feelings of pain, rejection and betrayal they experienced when their spouses walked out the door and said, ''I don't love you anymore.'' Dr. Harvey Ruben offers advice for spouses who have fallen out of love to consider before leaving their marriages.

Sally Jessy Raphael September 3, 1990 (Transcript #521)

Celebrity Dads (Repeat-#435): Chuck Woolery (The Love Connection), Harry Smith (CBS This Morning), Alan Dysert (All My Children), sportscaster Frank Gifford, comedian David Brenner and Tim Reid (Snoops) discuss how they are raising their children, in and out of the spotlight.

Geraldo September 3, 1990 (Transcript #773)

Sons of Legends (Repeat-#624): The sons of Harry Belafonte, Mickey Rooney, Clark Gable, Mel Blanc, Malcolm Forbes and Kirk Douglas talk about what it's like to be the son of a legendary man.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) September 3, 1990 (Transcript #161)

New York as Crime Capital?: Jack Cafferty and guests Lewis Rudin (Association for a Better New York), Rosemary Scanlon (Port Authority of NY and NJ) and Emanuel Tobier (NYU) discuss the rising crime rate and other factors that combine at times to drive businesses out of New York City.

Tuesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: What Really Happened to Tawana Brawley? Sally Jessy Raphael: Children of Rape Geraldo: 24 Hours on Death Row Oprah Winfrey: Wife Jealous of Daughter Larry King Live: Drug Czar Wiliam Bennett

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#90247k0030 09/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 4) KYODO - THE GOVERNMENT HAS REJECTED JAPANESE RETAILER SOGO CO.,'S PROPOSAL TO BUILD A 500-ROOM HOTEL IN SINGAPORE'S ORCHARD ROAD SHOPPING DISTRICT BECAUSE OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS, A MAJOR FINANCIAL DAILY REPORTED TUESDAY.

SOGO, WHICH BOUGHT A SHOPPING COMPLEX AND LAND BEHIND IT FOR A RECORD 690 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS LAST NOVEMBER, HAD PLANNED TO BUILD A HOTEL ON THE LAND, WHICH IS BEHIND ORCHARD ROAD.

THE GOVERNMENT, HOWEVER, WANTS THE AREA BEHIND ORCHARD ROAD TO BE USED STRICTLY FOR RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES.

THE BUSINESS TIMES SAID SOGO'S APPLICATION TO BUILD THE HOTEL HAD FIRST BEEN TURNED DOWN BY THE URBAN REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT ''WANTED TO MINIMIZE THE NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THE NEIGHBORHOOD.'' SOGO APPEALED TO THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

THE MINISTRY HAS INDICATED IT WOULD GRANT APPROVAL IF SOGO BUILT APARTMENTS INSTEAD OF A HOTEL, ACCORDING TO THE DAILY.

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#90247k0031 09/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 4) KYODO - JAPAN'S RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP) DECIDED TUESDAY TO PRESENT PERU WITH A FLEET OF 120 TRUCKS FOR TRANSPORT OF RELIEF GOODS TO DROUGHT-HIT AREAS.

THE 300 MILLION YEN GIFT WAS DECIDED IN LINE WITH REQUESTS MADE BY PERUVIAN PRESIDENT ALBERTO FUJIMORI.

LDP SECRETARY GENERAL ICHIRO OZAWA SAID HE TELEPHONED FUJIMORI THE SAME DAY TO INFORM HIM OF THE GIFT.

FUJIMORI, WHO WAS SWORN IN AS PRESIDENT OF PERU ON JULY 28 TO BECOME THE

FIRST NATIONAL LEADER OF JAPANESE DESCENT OVERSEAS, COMPLAINED OF A SHORTAGE OF TRUCKS TO CARRY AID MATERIALS TO DROUGHT-RAVAGED AREAS OF HIS COUNTRY AND ASKED FOR JAPANESE HELP WHEN HE VISITED JAPAN IN EARLY JULY.

THE LDP DECIDED TO RESPOND TO THE REQUEST FOR TRUCKS AS A SEPARATE MEASURE TO 4 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN ASSISTANCE THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT PLEDGED JULY 27 TO HELP EASE DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE DROUGHT, OZAWA SAID.

DELIVERY OF THE TRUCKS, ALL OF ONE TO THREE TONS, WILL BEGIN SEPTEMBER 10.

OZAWA SAID FUJIMORI THANKED THE LDP FOR THE NEW OFFER ON THE TELEPHONE TUESDAY AND ASKED FOR COOPERATION IN FUTURE ASSISTANCE.

THE LDP HOPES TO SEND USED CARS TO PERU IF THE NEED ARISES IN FUTURE, OZAWA SAID.

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#90247k0072 09/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 4) KYODO - SANWA BANK SAID TUESDAY IT HAS AGREED TO PURCHASE A CONTROLLING STAKE IN A LOCAL MEDIUM-SIZED BROKERAGE IN AN ATTEMPT TO ENTER THE SECURITIES BUSINESS IN CANADA.

THE OSAKA-BASED COMMERCIAL BANK SAID IT WILL BUY A 75 PERCENT STAKE IN MCCARTHY SECURITIES LTD., BASED IN TORONTO, FOR 20 MILLION CANADIAN DOLLARS (ABOUT 2.6 BILLION YEN).

THE ACQUISITION WILL BE COMPLETED IN THE MIDDLE OF THE MONTH. IT IS AIMED AT PROVIDING BANKING AND SECURITIES SERVICES FOR BOTH LOCAL FIRMS AND JAPANESE ENTERPRISES OPERATING IN THE COUNTRY, JOINTLY WITH SANWA'S WHOLLY OWNED CANADIAN SUBSIDIARY.

MCCARTHY SECURITIES HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN A WIDE RANGE OF SERVICES SUCH AS UNDERWRITING, SALES OF STOCKS AND BONDS, AND CONSULTING FOR MERGER AND ACQUISITIONS, SINCE ITS ESTABLISHMENT IN 1981.

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#90247k0083 09/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 4) KYODO - JAPAN'S TWO AUTO GIANTS ARE SEEKING HELP FROM EACH OTHER IN AUTO PARTS SUPPLY AS A COST REDUCTION EFFORT AMID THE INCREASING RIVALRY AMONG AUTOMAKERS AT HOME AND OVERSEAS, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID TUESDAY.

TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. IS MOVING TO PURCHASE AUTO PARTS FROM AN AFFILIATE OF ITS ARCHRIVAL NISSAN MOTOR CO. FOR ITS PLANNED PLANT IN FUKUOKA, WHILE NISSAN PLANS TO ENTER A CONTRACT WITH NIPPON DENSO CO., A MAJOR ELECTRONIC AND ELECTRICAL PARTS MAKER AFFILIATED WITH TOYOTA, THE SOURCES SAID.

THE MOVE, THE FIRST SUCH COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COMPANIES, IS EXPECTED TO BRING ABOUT A CRITICAL CHANGE IN JAPAN'S BUSINESS GROUPINGS, A MAJOR PROBLEM IN JAPAN-U.S. NEGOTIATIONS CONCLUDED IN LATE JUNE AIMED AT REMOVING BARRIERS TO TRADE AND INVESTMENT IN BOTH NATIONS.

THE SOURCES SAID NISSAN PLANS TO BUY FUEL PUMPS FROM ASSOCIATED FUEL PUMP SYSTEMS, A SOUTH CAROLINA-BASED JOINT VENTURE BETWEEN NIPPON DENSO AND BOSCH OF WEST GERMANY.

THE FUEL PUMPS WILL BE USED IN ELECTRONIC FUEL INJECTION EQUIPMENT OF SENTRA CARS PRODUCED BY NISSAN'S U.S. MANUFACTURING BASE, NISSAN MOTOR MANUFACTURING CORP. U.S.A.

TOYOTA, MEANWHILE, IS STUDYING THE POSSIBILITY OF PARTS SUPPLY FROM NISSAN GROUP'S AUTO PARTS MAKERS FOR ITS NEW FUKUOKA PLANT, EXPECTED TO BEGIN OPERATION IN 1993, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCES.

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#90247k0087 09/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SUBSIDIARY IN LONDON TO STEP UP ITS FUND INVESTMENT IN EUROPE.
THE EUROPEAN UNIT, FUKOKU LIFE INTERNATIONAL (U.K.) LTD., WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 2 MILLION POUNDS, FUKOKU OFFICIALS SAID.

FUKOKU WILL ALSO SET UP ANOTHER FINANCIAL CONCERN, FUKOKU SEIMEI JERSEY LTD., ON JERSEY ISLAND, KNOWN AS A TAX HAVEN, IN THE ENGLISH CHANNEL.

THE COMPANY WILL TRADE IN SECURITIES IN THE EUROPEAN CURRENCY UNIT (ECU) THROUGH FUKOKU LIFE INTERNATIONAL, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE SCALE OF INVESTMENT TO BE HANDLED BY THE FIRM IS ESTIMATED AT AROUND 40 MILLION ECUS.

FUKOKU IS THE FIRST JAPANESE INSURANCE COMPANY TO TRADE IN ECU-DENOMINATED FINANCIAL ASSETS USING A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OVERSEAS, THEY SAID.

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#90247k0088 09/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (SEPT. 4) KYODO - SAKAI IRON WORKS CO. OF OSAKA PREFECTURE SAID TUESDAY IT HAS CONCLUDED A COMPREHENSIVE BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGICAL TIE-UP WITH AN INDONESIAN STATE-RUN ENTERPRISE, P.T. AMARTA KARYA.

UNDER THE ACCORD, THE MEDIUM-SCALE JAPANESE MAKER OF STEEL PIPES FOR THE ELECTRIC POWER INDUSTRY WILL WORK WITH THE JAKARTA-BASED ENTERPRISE TO SECURE ORDERS IN INDONESIA FOR STEEL PIPES AND TOWERS FOR HYDROELECTRIC AND IRRIGATION FACILITIES, SAKAI OFFICIALS SAID.

P.T. AMARTA KARYA IS INDONESIA'S THIRD LARGEST MANUFACTURER OF STEEL STRUCTURES, WITH SALES TOTALING ABOUT 1,360 MILLION YEN IN FISCAL 1988, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE JAPANESE FIRM HAD RECEIVED ORDERS FROM INDONESIA ALMOST ANNUALLY FROM 1969 TO 1981, WHEN THE APPRECIATION OF THE JAPANESE YEN IN EXCHANGE MARKETS REDUCED THE COMPANY'S COMPETITIVENESS.

BUT IN JULY LAST YEAR, SAKAI IRON WORKS AND THE INDONESIAN ENTERPRISE JOINTLY WON AN ORDER IN INDONESIA FOR WATER PIPES, LEADING TO THE BUSINESS AFFILIATION, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90247k0098 09/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 4) KYODO - A JAPANESE BANKING INDUSTRY LEADER SAID TUESDAY HE THINKS THE PRESENT FORMULA USED TO SET THE SHORT-TERM PRIME LENDING RATE SHOULD BE REVISED TO BETTER REFLECT MARKET RATES.

TAIZO HASHIDA, CHAIRMAN OF THE FEDERATION OF BANKERS ASSOCIATION OF JAPAN, MADE THE SUGGESTION AT A REGULAR PRESS CONFERENCE.

HASHIDA SAID WHEN THE CURRENT FORMULA WAS DEVISED, 30 TO 40 PERCENT OF FUNDS RAISED BY MAJOR JAPANESE BANKS WERE THROUGH DEPOSITS WITH GOVERNMENT REGULATED INTEREST RATES.

BUT THE PROPORTION HAS NOW DECREASED TO ABOUT 20 PERCENT, HE POINTED OUT.

IN VIEW OF THE CHANGES IN FUND-RAISING METHODS AND FINANCIAL DEREGULATION, HASHIDA SAID THE FORMULA TO DETERMINE THE SHORT-TERM PRIME RATE WOULD HAVE TO BE REVISED.

THE SHORT-TERM PRIME RATE, WHICH IS OFFERED TO THE MOST CREDITWORTHY CUSTOMERS, IS CURRENTLY DECIDED AT THE DISCRETION OF INDIVIDUAL BANKS. BANKS BASE THEIR RATES ON THE COST OF RAISING FUNDS, AMOUNT OF FUNDS RAISED FROM FIXED RATE-BEARING FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, AND THE OFFICIAL DISCOUNT RATE SET BY THE BANK OF JAPAN.

THE OFFICIAL DISCOUNT RATE WAS RAISED BY 0.75 PERCENTAGE POINT LAST THURSDAY TO 6.00 PERCENT.

HASHIDA, PRESIDENT OF FUJI BANK, ALSO STRESSED THE NEED TO OVERHAUL THE CURRENT BANK COMMISSION FEE SYSTEM.

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#90247k0103 09/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NAGOYA (SEPT. 4) KYODO - INAX CORP., THE BIGGEST TILE MAKER IN JAPAN, SAID TUESDAY IT WILL LAUNCH EXPORTS OF ITS TILES TO EUROPE, WITH AN EYE TO THE PLANNED MARKET INTEGRATION IN WEST EUROPE IN 1992 AND ECONOMIC REFORMS IN EASTERN EUROPE.

THE MOVE REFLECTS THE COMPANY'S DESIRE TO BOOST ITS PRESENCE IN THE EUROPEAN MARKET TO CASH IN ON THE GREATER DEMAND FOR TILES EXPECTED FROM DRAMATIC CHANGES IN THE ECONOMIC SITUATION NOW UNDER WAY IN THE REGION.

AS PART OF ITS NEW EUROPEAN STRATEGY, INAX BOUGHT A STAKE IN A WEST GERMAN TILE PRODUCER GAIL LAST YEAR AND HAS ESTABLISHED A DESIGN AWARD FOR EUROPEAN CERAMICS DESIGNERS.

SO FAR, EXPORTS BY THE COMPANY HAVE BEEN SLOW, ACCOUNTING FOR ONLY 1 PERCENT OF ITS TOTAL SALES.

INAX SAID THE PLAN PROMISES BIG CHANGES FOR THE COMPANY. IT HAS ALREADY WON ORDERS FROM WEST GERMANY AND SWITZERLAND, AND HAS RECEIVED INQUIRIES FROM THE NETHERLANDS AND FRANCE.

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#90247k0106 09/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 4) KYODO - RETIRED GEN. MAJID MALIK, PAKISTAN'S MINISTER FOR PETROLEUM AND NATURAL RESOURCES, SAID TUESDAY HE WILL LEAVE FOR SAUDI ARABIA ON WEDNESDAY TO SEEK ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES OF OIL AT FAIR MARKET VALUE.

HE TOLD REPORTERS THAT HE WILL ALSO BE CARRYING A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT GHULAM ISHAQ KHAN TO KING FAHD OF SAUDI ARABIA REGARDING PAKISTAN'S PROBLEMS STEMMING FROM THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS.

DURING A SPECIAL CABINET MEETING MONDAY TO REVIEW VARIOUS PROBLEMS RESULTING FROM THE GULF CRISIS, IT WAS REPORTED THAT PAKISTAN IS FACED WITH AN ADDITIONAL BURDEN OF 1 BILLION DOLLARS DUE TO A DECLINE IN REVENUES AND A SURGE IN OIL PRICES DURING THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.

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#90247k0109 09/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 4) KYODO - JAPAN AND THE SOVIET UNION ARE PREPARING TO JOINTLY SET UP A PRIVATE ART AND ENGINEERING UNIVERSITY IN THE SUBURBS OF MOSCOW, A JAPANESE PARLIAMENTARIAN SAID TUESDAY.

TOSHIO YAMAGUCHI, A DIET MEMBER OF THE RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRTATIC PARTY, SAID THE SOVIET UNION PLANS TO OPEN THE UNIVERSITY NEXT SPRING.

SUCH A PRIVATE UNIVERSITY WILL BE THE FIRST IN EASTERN EUROPE AND THE

SOVIET UNION, YAMAGUCHI SAID.

YAMAGUCHI ALSO SAID THE PLAN CAME UP WHEN JAPAN'S FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER SHINTARO ABE VISITED MOSCOW IN JANUARY. YAMAGUCHI SAID HE HAD ALREADY AGREED IN PRINCIPLE ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY WITH ONE OF PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV'S AIDES.

ACCORDING TO THE PLAN, THE FOUR-YEAR UNIVERSITY WILL BE COMPRISED OF TWO DEPARTMENTS FEATURING ENGINEERING AND ECONOMICS FOR SOVIET AND EAST EUROPEAN STUDENTS. THERE WILL ALSO BE A DEPARTMENT FOR JAPANESE WHO WISH TO STUDY ARTS SUCH AS SOVIET CLASSICAL BALLET. IT WILL ALSO BE ATTACHED TO A TWO-YEAR COLLEGE FOR THE ARTS.

YAMAGUCHI SAID SOVIET AND EAST EUROPEAN STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE PRACTICAL TRAINING AT COMPANIES IN JAPAN FOR ABOUT SIX MONTHS.

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#90247k0116 09/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 4) KYODO - THE AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY HAS DECIDED AGAINST REQUIRING OIL SUPPLIERS TO CHANGE THEIR ACCOUNTING SYSTEM FOR OIL STOCKS IN ORDER TO REGULATE PRICE INCREASES, AGENCY SOURCES SAID TUESDAY.

THE AGENCY INSTEAD WILL ALLOW OIL COMPANIES TO USE THEIR CURRENT COST-ACCOUNTING METHODS AND IMMEDIATELY REFLECT HIGHER CRUDE OIL PRICES STEMMING FROM THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS, THE SOURCES SAID.

A PROPOSAL BY THE AGENCY AT A RECENT CABINET MEETING THAT OIL COMPANIES SWITCH FROM THE LAST-IN, FIRST-OUT (LIFO) COST ACCOUNTING METHOD TO A TOTAL-AVERAGE SYSTEM DREW SHARP CRITICISM FROM THE NATION'S OIL SECTOR.

ALTHOUGH THE AGENCY HAS DECIDED TO ALLOW THE FREE MARKET TO SET THE PRICE OF OIL PRODUCTS, IT WILL SPELL OUT MEASURES THE AGENCY CAN TAKE IF PRICE GOUGING OCCURS, THE SOURCES SAID.

UNDER THE LIFO COST-ACCOUNTING SYSTEM, THE LATEST STOCK PURCHASED IS SOLD AT THE CURRENT MARKET PRICE BEFORE OLD STOCK IS CLEARED. OIL COMPANIES PREFER THE LIFO BECAUSE IT ALLOWS THEM TO RESPOND IMMEDIATELY TO PRICE FLUCTUATIONS AND AVOID HEAVY LOSSES THAT COULD RESULT DURING PRICE WARS.

''THE PRICES OF OIL PRODUCTS, LIKE THOSE OF OTHER PRODUCTS, SHOULD BE DETERMINED THROUGH THE FREE MARKET MECHANISM,'' SAID ONE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY OFFICIAL.

''IF WE PERMIT A GRADUAL RAISE OF PRICES TO AVOID SHARP INCREASES, THAT COULD TRIGGER A STAMPEDE TO BUY WHILE THE PRODUCTS ARE CHEAP,'' HE ADDED.

INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID THE DECISION IS EXPECTED TO RESULT IN A 10 YEN PER LITER PRICE INCREASE AT THE NATION'S GASOLINE PUMPS IN AN AFTER THE MIDDLE OF THIS MONTH.

THE AGENCY WILL REACH A FORMAL DECISION ON THE COST-ACCOUNTING POLICY WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

JAPANESE OIL COMPANIES WERE UPSET BY REPORTS THAT MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY KABUN MUTO PROMISE TO CONSIDER REVISIONS IN THE WAY THEY CALCULATE PRICES.

THEIR ANGER WAS PARTLY BASED ON THE FACT THAT THE GOVERNMENT INSTRUCTED THEM TO SWITCH TO THE CURRENT LIFO METHOD WHEN THE WORLD OIL MARKET STARTED EASING AROUND 1986.

AN OFFICIAL OF THE PETROLEUM ASSOCIATION OF JAPAN SAID, ''THE GOVERNMENT TOLD US CHANGE THE ACCOUNTING METHOD WHEN OIL PRICES DROPPED, AND NOW THEY SAY WE SHOULD ADOPT ANOTHER SYSTEM. WE CAN NOT MANAGE AN OIL COMPANY UNDER SUCH AN INCONSISTENT POLICY.''

''AS THE PRICES OF THE AUGUST SHIPMENTS OF CRUDE OIL FROM THE GULF HAVE ALREADY BEEN RAISED BY ABOUT 10 DOLLARS PER BARREL, WE WILL SUFFER MASSIVE LOSSES UNLESS WE BOOST THE PRICES OF OUR PRODUCTS IMMEDIATELY, A TOP OFFICIAL OF A MAJOR JAPANESE OIL SUPPLIER SAID.

AS A PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE, HOWEVER, THE AGENCY WILL REQUIRE OIL SUPPLIERS TO REPORT COSTS FOR PURCHASING CRUDE OIL EVERY MONTH AS A WAY TO IMPOSE DISCIPLINE ON THE INDUSTRY, AGENCY SOURCES SAID.

''WE CAN NOT HELP TAKING A CAUTIOUS STANCE TOWARD REQUIRING CHANGES OF THE ACCOUNTING SYSTEM'' BECAUSE THAT MIGHT FORCE OIL COMPANIES TO LOOK FOR A WAY AROUND GOVERNMENT-IMPOSED PRICE REGULATIONS, AN AGENCY OFFICIAL SAID.

REGARDING THE USE OF THE NATION'S OIL RESERVES TO HOLD DOWN PRICES, THE OFFICIAL SAID, ''SINCE THE NATIONAL RESERVES ALREADY COST 30 DOLLARS PER BARREL, PUTTING THEM INTO USE WOULD NOT MAKE ANY CONTRIBUTION TO PUTTING A CAP ON PRICES.''

''WE CAN CONTAIN INFLATION COMPLETELY ONLY IF WE USE THE RESERVES IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR ON THE PREMISE THAT WE WILL BUY NO ADDITIONAL OIL FOR A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME, WHILE USING UP THE ENTIRE OIL RESERVE,'' HE SAID.

''BUT IN REALITY, WE WILL HAVE TO KEEP BUYING OIL EVEN IF PRICES ARE QUITE HIGH TO RETAIN THE LEVEL OF THE RESERVES,'' HE ADDED.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT 4) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stocks are lower. - The Nikkei loses 513 points. ... The London FTSE is off 17 points in midday trading. U.S. stocks in London are also lower - The EXMI off 1.44 points. ... U.S. bonds lose nearly half a point, yields move back up above nine percent. ... Crude oil is nearly $1.50 higher than Friday's New York close. ... ASIANA AIRLINES of South Korea has ordered 27 BOEING jets and taken options on 24 more in a deal worth as much as $6 billion. ... Ireland's GPA GROUP leasing company says it has ordered 13 McDONNELL DOUGLAS MD-11 jets and options on an additional 12, worth up to $2.5 billion. ... NORTHWEST AIRLINES says it will go ahead with plans to buy 75 Airbus A320 jets and option an additional 30 in a deal valued at up to $4.6 billion. ... CBS executive LAURENCE TISCH and his brother disclose they acquired sizeable stakes in three bank-holding companies: BAY BANKS of Boston, EQUIMARK of Pittsburgh and CONTINENTAL of Chicago. management and marketing software.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT is scheduled to release July construction spending figures at 10 a.m. EDT. ... The LABOR DEPARTMENT will release its 2nd quarter productivity report at 10 a.m. EDT. ... The purchasing managers' index is due out sometime today. ... IBM will introduce its first new generation of mainframes in more than five years. ... CHRYSLER plans to extend its cost cutting efforts by $1 billion more than previously announced, raising its goal to $2.5 billion.

FROM THE BULLS:

A prolonged Mideast stalemate would be bullish to JAMES AWAD, president of BMI CAPITAL. "Once we get over the shock of the Mideast and people learn to live with it, I think investors will send stock prices gradually higher " says Awad who believes the economy is weak but not recessionary. Oil will cause general price levels to move a little bit higher, "but we do not have an inflationary psychology in the economy." Awad thinks the values are in the secondary and OTC stocks. "Historically, whenever you have bought stocks during a period of financial panic, when you look back six months later you have made a lot of money." (CNN "Business Day", 9/4)

FROM THE BEARS:

"We are in a bear market," says ROBERT WYAND II, president of STRATEGIC PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT. "We don't know how long it will last or how low stock prices will go." ("USA Today", 9/4)

"Really, this is not a new bear cycle that began in July and accelerated in August," says RICHARD McCABE of MERRILL LYNCH. "It's a bear cycle that for many stocks is already a year old." He says bear markets usually last about a year. "I think we're pretty well along on it, and it could last until the fourth quarter [of 1990] or the first quarter [of 1991]." ("The Washington Post", 9/3)

"We're still in a bear trend, and it gets a little tricky down here because it's obvious to everybody it's a bear trend and they get a little too aggressive on the short side," says MICHAEL JENKINS, editor and publisher of "Stock Cycles Forecast." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 8/31)

STOCK MARKET:

Stocks could give back all of Friday's gains on today's opening, says MICHAEL BENSON of LEHMAN BROTHERS INTERNATIONAL in London where U.S. stocks are trading lower. Benson says stocks went up because Friday was the last day of the month. "The papers over the weekend were full of doom and gloom. No one really sees the market going anywhere." Benson looks for support around 2580; if that fails to hold, the next support level would be twenty points lower at 2560. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/4)

"At a minimum, you've got to say that the bull market has been interrupted both because of general economic uncertainty and inflationary uncertainty related to oil," says PETER CANELO of BEAR STEARNS & CO. "If there is an outbreak of fighting, a shooting war, we could see the market fall to 2250 or 2300. I think that would be a major low and a buying opportunity." ("The Washington Post", 9/2)

EUGENE PERONI JR. of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT says the "underlying tone" of the market "is becoming more constructive," but he still does not expect any significant recovery. "My feeling is the market will begin to set up a basing formation between Dow 2690, where there's a lot of resistance, and the low 2500s," says Peroni. He believes we are in the midst of a bear market, but only a short-lived one which should last from three to five weeks. ("Investor's Daily", 9/4)

"The market's reaction to the Mideast has been so severe because of the fear that it would make a weak profit situation worse," says JOSEPH McALINDEN, director of research at DILLON READ. "Any company bucking that trend would be a buy candidate." (WSJ, 9/4)

MARTIN ZWEIG says he is worried - "as usual." But he says he respects the fact that the market could go up. "The news in the Mideast could clear up to the good side and if it does, I think we could rally maybe 200 points [on the Dow]. But if everything bad, that I worry about, comes into effect, we could go down a lot more than that." ("Wall Street Week", 8/31)

MARY FARRELL agrees with those who say the stock market is being held hostage to the Mideast situation and says that the market "has had a much greater reaction to that than any other global crisis we have had in the last 50 years - including Pearl Harbor, including the Cuban missile crisis - and I think that suggests there are some more underlying concerns - namely the economy [and] corporate earnings that are keeping the market down." She recommends that investors "pull in your horns here and be very defensive" by looking at drug and beverage stocks. ("Wall Street Week", 8/31)

"This market could turn quite quickly," says JAY GERKEN, portfolio manager at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "The Persian Gulf situation ... is clearly dominating the market, but that can turn very quickly, so I don't think it is prudent to be entirely out of the market." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 8/31)

Friday's "modest volume reflects that it's the final trading day before a long holiday weekend and that there's no new news out of the Middle East," says McDONALD & CO. SECURITIES' BRADLEY TURNER. He says as the Middle East crisis continues, the resulting higher oil prices may have a more significant impact on the market by weakening the economy. "It's probably premature at this point to make any major cuts in earnings estimates," says Turner, but if the crisis "lasts beyond another month, we'll start to see some downward revisions." ("Investor's Daily", 9/4)

STOCK TIPS:

SMITHKLINE BEECHAM is featured in this week's "Barron's." The magazine says the company "is hardly free of problems" just over a year after it was merged. However, it says a strong second-quarter earnings report issued last month was among the signs that the merger is "beginning to bear fruit." The article says that "recession or not, SMITHKLINE should post higher earnings, not only this year, but next year as well." It projects $3.50 a share this year and $4.25 next year. ("Barron's", 9/3)

PETER TAUPE, senior executive vice president at LEHMAN BROTHERS, thinks the energy stocks "are still attractive here." He notes that oil stocks were selling at the same levels they are now before the outbreak of trouble in the Middle East even though oil prices have gone from $16 a barrel to $27 a barrel. "That is going to reflect in their earnings and we think that the oil stocks are the place to be." He says oil service stocks could be good buys if oil prices settle in the "mid-20s." ("Wall Street Week", 8/31)

JOHN TAUER JR., manager of PIPER'S VALUE FUND, likes ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. the leading maker of mechanical heart valves. He reasons that a slow economy might hurt some companies like airlines, "but if you need a heart

valve, you don't wait until the economy rebounds." ("Barron's", 9/3)

The Mideast turmoil "could be the watershed event that could lead to Americans realizing the importance of ethanol," says CLINTON MAYER III, an analyst at BEAR STEARNS in New York. This could help the stock shares of ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND, a leader in the ethanol industry. Mr. Mayer predicts that the company will earn $1.85 a share for the fiscal year through June 1991, up 13.5% from fiscal 1990. (WSJ, 9/4)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

Worsening U.S. economic fundamentals, which could lead to lower U.S. interest rates when rates abroad are rising, will erode support for the dollar, according to 10 economists and traders surveyed by DOW JONES INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE in New York, Tokyo, Frankfurt and London. The dollar is expected to falter further against most major currencies this month and much of this autumn. (WSJ, 9/4)

"It's just a lack of fresh ideas," says one currency trader in London explaining that the dollar rose yesterday for no fundamental reason. "There have been no large positions taken and nothing has changed." (NYT, 9/4)

TIM FOX, treasury economist at MIDLAND BANK PLC in London says the dollar would shoot upward briefly if hostilities were to erupt in the Middle East but then continue its downtrend. (WSJ, 9/4)

"In the usual terms of growth versus inflation, the arguments for and against an easing of U.S. monetary policy are nearly balanced," writes MARCOS JONES, an economist at the DEUTSCHE BANK CAPITAL CORPORATION, in a letter to his clients. "But the potential impact of credit-related difficulties in the economy has grown to uncomfortable proportions, giving even the central bank a stake in a modest bout of reflation. So long as it can avoid a disorderly decline in the dollar, we expect the Federal Reserve to ease policy in the first half of this month." (NYT, 9/4)

"I have some confidence that the Federal Reserve will step in an ease those [interest] rates if we start getting more evidence that we are that close [to a recession] ... but if they don't step in, then that would give me more concern," says MARY FARRELL. ("Wall Street Week", 8/31)

"We are coming close to the point where the Fed will have to move even though the market is not quite as stable as it might like," says DONALD FINE, chief market analyst at CHASE MANHATTAN BANK. "The key thing is to prevent a recession, and lower interest rates will help you do that." (NYT, 9/4)

Forced to choose between fighting inflation and fighting a recession, the Fed will cut interest rates to stimulate the economy, says ALBERT GROSS, chief economist at REFCO. "The bond market, on the other hand, is reflecting more and more inflationary fears. ... The yield curve is steepening and I would expect that trend to continue." Gross says it will take a cut in the fed funds rate of greater than 1/4 percent in order to stimulate the economy. (CNBC "World Business", 9/4)

The Mideast turmoil "produced one of the biggest sell-offs in the global financial markets on record," says NICHOLAS SARGEN, director of international research at SALOMON BROTHERS INC., in the firm's weekly bond market comments. "Yields in all the principal international markets soared during August, with those in Japan, West Germany and the U.S. testing or setting 1990 highs." (WSJ, 9/4)

The Middle Eastern crisis tends to obscure what is wrong with the world economy, says JAMES GRANT, editor of "Grant's Interest Rate Observer." "What is wrong basically is that the world is in the throes of a credit contraction. The fellow who was used to getting a loan in the 1980s is now being denied in 1990." Grant says he is more worried about what is happening in the Japanese banking system than what is going on in the Mideast: "As Japanese banks are forced to raise capital or shrink their assets, the world will feel it." Grant sees higher interest rates in one year for both U.S. Treasuries and risk securities. ("The Nightly Business Report", 9/1)

"Speculative-grade corporate bonds have been damaged by a great deal of uncertainty regarding their ability to endure a recession," says JOHN LONSKI, a senior economist at MOODY'S. "The modern junk-bond era that began in the mid-1980s has yet to be put through the crucible of recession." Speculative bond-yields have jumped a great deal more than higher rated debentures according to Lonski, who concludes, "Quality is king once again." ("Investor's Daily", 9/4)

"Generally speaking, it's probably safe to predict that bonds will do well in recessions," says RICHARD BERNER, an economist at SALOMON BROTHERS INC. "But remember, no two recessions are identical." (WSJ, 9/4)

THE ECONOMY:

DUN & BRADSTREET CORP. says the number of business failures has shot up 11.7% so far this year from the same 1989 period. The increase in

failures is "almost a straight line, week by week," says JOSEPH DUNCAN, chief economist at Dun & Bradstreet. CYNTHIA LATTA, senior financial economist at DRI/McGRAW HILL INC., says she was surprised by the magnitude of the increase reported, though not by the upward trend itself. She says new or struggling enterprises "haven't been able to accumulate the capital you need to carry you through hard times. ... All the numbers suggest the economy is on the verge of a recession. This is one more piece of evidence." (WSJ, 9/4)

JOHN SILVIA of KEMPER FINANCIAL SERVICES says the economy probably is in a recession, but "whether we are in a recession or not is a pretty sterile debate, as far as investors go. My philosophy is that there is no futures market in the gross national product." EDWARD HYMAN of C.J. LAWRENCE sees a flat economy at best and says there now is a 50% chance of a recession, mainly because the economy is so highly leveraged "and is taking a lot of body blows from exogenous events" like the Middle East. ("Barron's", 9/3)

"I do think that we are going into a recession," says PETER DaPUZZO, senior executive vice president at LEHMAN BROTHERS. "I believe we are going to be in a recession in the last quarter of this year and perhaps the first and second of next." ("Wall Street Week", 8/31)

"I can't see any signs of a turnaround" in the economy, says THEODORE TUNG chief economist at NATIONAL CITY CORP. in Cleveland. "We're still looking at a weak economy in the U.S. and relatively strong economic growth in Germany and Japan," says CARL WEINBERG, at HIGH FREQUENCY ECONOMICS consultants. "But to be honest, nobody knows for sure what will happen. It's strictly a wait-and-see situation." ("USA Today", 9/4)

ALLEN SINAI of the BOSTON COMPANY sees two to three quarters of decline "and a peak-to-trough decline in real gross national product of 1 to 1 1/2% measured fourth quarter to fourth quarter." FRANCIS SCHOTT of the EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY predicts a "fairly mild" recession of three quarters duration "most likely beginning in the fourth quarter of 1990." DAVID RANSON of H.C. WAINWRIGHT & COMPANY ECONOMICS INC., is not at all sure there will be declines in gross national product, but notes that "whether we're in a recession depends on how the authorities decide it is to be defined. The standard definition [of two consecutive quarters of negative growth] isn't absolutely watertight. It's very arbitrary." (NYT, 9/2)

"If we go into a recession, which is a fair possibility, we have such debt around that there will be a lot of Donald Trump's on a small level - people that just can't afford to pay off the mortgages on their homes or their consumer installment debt," says MARTIN ZWEIG. PETER TAUPE, senior executive vice president at LEHMAN BROTHERS, says a recession is "inevitable" but "not that deep." ("Wall Street Week", 8/31)

MERRILL LYNCH's chief economist DONALD STRASZHEIM thinks the purchasing managers' index due out today is going slip from the July level. "The numbers are going to be weak. All this invasion does is create uncertainty and that causes a lot of businessmen to freeze in their tracks." (WSJ, 9/4)

IN WASHINGTON:

Capital gains taxes are likely to come to the forefront once again when Congress reconvenes, and some analysts say the prospects for passage are improving. Budget negotiators "will come back to town and see a deteriorating economy," predicts JEFF DeBOER of the NATIONAL REALTY COMMITTEE. This heightens the possibility of a reduction in the capital gains taxes "because it can jump-start the economy." KEN HAGERTY of the NATIONAL VENTURE CAPITAL ASSOCIATION agrees that a lowering of rates would help the economy, but says passage may require some concessions from the Administration. "... Politically, it's become a lightning rod," says Hagerty. "The Democrats figure the President wants it very badly and that they ought to get something for it." ("Investor's Daily", 9/4)

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SACRAMENTO, CALIF. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Randy Shepherd, 33, has been named division manager of Sacramento operations for Martech USA Inc. (NASDAQ: MUSA). He will be taking over as division manager for Sacramento resident Donald Litchfield, 30, who has been named vice president and manager of European operations for Martech. Litchfield, based in Budapest will be directing the environmental remediation projects currently being undertaken by Martech in Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Poland.

With more than 12 years of professional experience, Shepherd has managed all aspects of many large and complex hazardous waste remediation projects. These projects include 3.25 acres of PCB and lead contaminated soils at the Jibboom Junkyard EPA Superfund site as well as clean-up and off-site disposal of 6,000 tons of PCB and solvent contaminated soil and sludge from an NPL site in Oakland, Calif.

Prior to joining Martech, Shepherd served as project manager and regional manager for U.S. Pollution Control Inc. He has completed undergraduate courses in business at Cosumnes River College in Sacramento.

Litchfield is a member of Martech's board of directors and has managed a variety of hazardous waste remediation and waste management projects which involved waste stabilization, waste reduction, on-site treatment, shipping and disposal, soil and water sampling and underground tank removal.

Prior to joining Martech, Litchfield was northwest regional manager for

U.S. Pollution Control Inc., a national pollution control company. He has a degree in geological engineering from South Dakota school of Mines & Technology and holds a California class "A" general engineering contractors license.

Martech USA provides a comprehensive range of environmental remediation services as well as specialized marine and construction services.

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THOUSAND OAKS, CA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Amgen Inc. (NASDAQ: AMGN) today announced that it has entered into a multiyear collaboration with Regeneron Pharmaceuticals Inc. of Tarrytown, N.Y., to develop and commercialize two neurotrophic factors: Brain-Derived Neurotrophic Factor (BDNF) and Neurotrophin-3 (NT-3). Neurotrophic factors are believed to be crucial to the survival and maintenance of nerve tissue. These factors may be useful in the treatment of a variety of neurological disorders including neurodegenerative diseases of the central nervous system, nerve injury or trauma. Potential uses include the treatment of conditions such as Alzheimer's, Parkinson's disease and periperhal neuropathies.

Under the collaboration, Amgen and Regeneron will establish a joint venture partnership, Amgen-Regeneron Partners, for the commercialization of BDNF and NT-3 in the United States. Separately, Regeneron has licensed Amgen to commercialize these factors outside the United States, Japan and certain other Asian countries.

Amgen made an equity investment of $15 million in exchange for convertible preferred stock of Regeneron and paid $1 million to Regeneron over the signing of the license agreement. In addition, over the next two years, Amgen will fund $10 million for continued research and development of these two factors by Regeneron. If certain technological and commercial benchmarks are achieved, Amgen will provide additional funding. Upon commercialization of the factors, Amgen will pay Regeneron a royalty on product sales outside the United States and both companies will share profits generated from U.S. sales of the products.

Amgen Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Gordon M. Binder stated, "This represents a major commitment by Amgen to the field of neurobiology and to the development of therapies for treatment of neurological diseases. Regeneron is a recognized leader in neurobiology, and these factors represent some of the most promising potential products in the field today. We are pleased that Regeneron chose Amgen to be its partner."

Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a private biotechnology company located in Tarrytown, N.Y., was founded in January, 1988. The company focuses on the discovery and development of neurotropic factors and neurite growth regulatory factors to treat neurodegenerative diseases and traumatic nerve injury.

Amgen is a multinational biotechnology firm developing pharmaceutical products based on advances in cellular and molecular biology. The company headquartered in Thousand Oaks, Calif., was founded in April, 1980.

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VALLEY FORGE, PA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - NovaCare, Inc. (NASDAQ: NVCR) today announced the filing of a public offering of common stock. Of the 4.5 million shares to be sold, 2 million will be offered by the company and 2.5 million shares by certain selling security holders.

The lead manager of the offering will be Robertson, Stephens & Company, in the United States. Alex. Brown & Sons Incorporated, Lehman Brothers and Paribas Corporation will be co-managers. The lead manager of a concurrent international offering will be Lehman Brothers International. Co-managers will be Paribas Capital Markets Group; Robertson, Stephens & Company; and Alex. Brown & Sons Incorporated.

The proceeds of the offering will be used to repay debt and fund systems initiatives and a disciplined acquisition strategy. The company seeks to acquire a limited number of companies providing rehabilitation services in institutional settings other than nursing homes to diversify the patient caseload and increase private pay revenues.

As of Aug. 31, certain venture partnerships associated with the founding of the company distributed 3,966,660 shares of common stock to their partners. A substantial portion of the distributed shares are freely tradable under Rule 144(k) of the Securities Act. In addition, the partnerships hold warrants for 820,904 shares exercisable at $6.80 per share.

In order to effect a more orderly distribution of these shares and to eliminate the overhang of these shares on the company's common stock, 1,679,096 of such shares are being sold by certain partners and all of the 820,904 shares issuable upon the exercise of such warrants are being sold in this offering. Holders of at least a majority of the remaining distributed shares of common stock will have agreed prior to the effective date of the registration statement that, for a period of 365 days from

such effective date, they will not, without the prior written consent of the underwriters of the offering, offer to sell, sell or otherwise dispose of distributed shares.

NovaCare is the largest and only national provider of rehabilitation services to health care institutions, principallynursing homes.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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DEARBORN, MI (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) has refined its 1991 warranty policy to better respond to the diverse needs of today's car and truck buyers.

Effective immediately, all 1991-model Lincoln Town Car, Continental and Mark VII vehicles will carry expanded bumper-to-bumper coverage for four years or 50,000 miles, with no deductible.

"Luxury car buyers make a larger investment in their vehicle, so naturally they expect more of everything -- more room, more power and, today, more warranty coverage," explained Lee R. Miskowski, Ford vice president and general manager, Ford Parts and Service Division. "Adding bumper-to-bumper coverage on our full line of Lincolns is one more way we can provide extra value to luxury owners."

In addition, Ford has lowered the deductible from $100 to $50 on all Ford and Mercury cars and Ford light trucks, with a four-year or 50,000- mile powertrain coverage. "We've found that Ford and Lincoln-Mercury vehicle buyers place increasing value on lower deductibles," explained Miskowski. "This new policy recognizes the different expectations of our customers."

Previously, all Ford, Lincoln and Mercury vehicles carried six-year or 60,000-mile powertrain coverage, with $100 deductible per repair visit. Basic warranty coverage remains at 12 months or 12,000 miles.

All 1991-model vehicles sold before the announced warranty change will have the combination of both the new and previous coverages. To complement the new warranty policy, an expanded line of Ford's Extended Service Plan (ESP) contracts will be introduced for 1991.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Commissioner of Customs Carol Hallett today announced that K mart Corporation (NYSE: KM) of Troy, Mich., and its subsidiary, K mart Taiwan, Ltd., have entered into a civil settlement with the U.S. Customs Service in the amount of $6,002,410.30.

The settlement follows a lengthy investigation by Customs special agents in Detroit into efforts by K mart and K mart, Taiwan, to evade quota controls on textile imports.

The Customs Service administers quotas that set absolute limits on the quantities of many types of textile articles which may be imported from specific countries during a given period of time.

The governments of some exporting countries allocate portions of their quota amount, known as "basic" quota, to their textile producers. The basic quota applies to textile exports regardless of their piece price.

The governments of South Korea and Taiwan also hold back a portion of their quotas, which are called "free" quotas. These they award to producers exporting merchandise valued above a "check" price set by each government. This promotes the export of higher cost and quality merchandise. Under this system, a producer which has used up all its basic quota can only export free quota merchandise to the United States.

The Customs investigation of K mart showed that beginning in 1982, K mart and K mart, Taiwan, manipulated prices of various textile articles imported from Taiwan and South Korea to circumvent the check price system and thus evade the quota controls on certain classes of those articles.

In instances where K mart's foreign suppliers had no remaining basic quota, and thus could ship no more articles to K mart in a given quota category, K mart and K mart, Taiwan, would artificially inflate the price of articles to be shipped to the United States above the check price so as to obtain free quota for the shipment. K mart's over payment to the foreign producers for this merchandise were later rebated in the from of artificially decreased prices on merchandise for which the basic quota was still available.

Between March 1982 and March 1986, K mart filed over 400 entries of textile articles in New York; Savannah, Ga.; Newark, N.J.; and Los Angeles, in which prices of the goods had been inflated to obtain free quota from South Korea and Taiwan. Customs calculated the value of this merchandise, which was imported in circumvention of the quota controls, in excess of $24 million.

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CHERRY HILL, N.J. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Harvey Lamm has announced his resignation from his posts as chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Subaru of America (NASDAQ: SBRU) (SOA).

Lamm is one of the founders of the company, which has had the exclusive United States marketing rights to Subaru vehicles, which are manufactured by Fuji Heavy Industries in Japan and Lafayette, Ind.

Lamm is being succeeded as chairman of the board by Takeshi Higurashi. Higurashi has been employed by Fuji Heavy Industries since 1954. Most recently, he has held the position of managing director of Fuji Heavy Industries in charge of Subaru Overseas business.

Fuji Heavy Industries and Subaru of America have finalized a merger agreement which results in SOA becoming a wholly owned subsidiary of Fuji Heavy Industries, with continuing responsibility for sales and marketing in the United States. Lamm's decision to step aside is attributed to a desire to provide a clear path for the strategic and operational integration of the manufacturing, product development and sales and marketing arms of the new enterprise.

In a related development, Marvin S. Riesenbach, executive vice president and chief financial officer, has announced his plans for early retirement on Oct. 31, 1990. Riesenbach said he has been contemplating early retirement to pursue other business interests for some time and determined that the finalization of the merger presented an appropriate time to announce his plans.

It was further announced by Subaru of America and Fuji Heavy Industries that, under the new management structure, Thomas R. Gibson will be president and chief operating officer and Masaharu Masumitsu will be vice chairman of the board and chief executive officer. They will also continue as members of the board of directors of the company. Higurashi emphasized that Fuji Heavy Industries fully supports Gibson and Masumitsu and is confident of their ability to lead the company in this very competitive

environment.

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PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas H. O'Brien, chairman, president and chief executive officer of PNC Financial Corp (NYSE: PNC), today announced the appointment of Wilson W. Wyatt Jr. as senior vice president, corporate and public affairs, effective Sept. 4.

Wyatt, 46, joins PNC from BATUS Inc., headquartered in Louisville, Ky., where he was vice president for corporate affairs and government relations. BATUS, with 1989 sales of $8 billion, was the management holding company for the U.S. businesses of B.A.T. Industries p.l.c. (U.K.). The companies included Saks Fifth Avenue, Marshall Field's, Farmers Group Inc. (insurance), Appleton Papers, and Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp.

Wyatt will be responsible for directing all of PNC's public functions, including: media relations, financial communications, shareholder relations, employee communications, and government relations on a national state and local level.

His last responsibility for BATUS was to direct the U.S. communications and public affairs activities for the successful defense of B.A.T. Industries against a $21 billion hostile takeover attempt by Sir James Goldsmith. He then directed the corporation's communications activities associated with the sale of its retail businesses and demerger of its paper business, resulting from a restructuring of B.A.T. Industries.

A native of Louisville, Ky., Wyatt's background includes serving in the Kentucky General Assembly, and he was a reporter for The Courier-Journal. He was director of corporate affairs and communications for BATUS subsidiary Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp. before joining BATUS as vice president-public policy, heading the company's Washington office for five years. He was appointed BATUS vice president for corporate affairs in 1986.

He is a member of the Conference Board's Public Affairs Research Council and the board of directors of the Public Affairs Council. He has been active in public affairs and cultural activities in Washington, D.C., and Louisville for many years.

PNC Financial Corp, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is the nation's 14th-largest bank holding company with assets of $47.8 billion. PNC was formed in 1983 with the consolidation of Pittsburgh National Corp., Pittsburgh, and Provident National Corp., Philadelphia. PNC currently

operates 530 community banking offices in Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, Delaware and New Jersey. It also conducts business through additional offices in 15 states and seven foreign countries.

CONTACT: Earl J. Bohn of PNC Financial, 412-762-2477, or home at 412-734-4185.

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#90247p0850 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

POTOMAC, MD. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Phillips Publishing, Inc., today announced the acquisition of Rotor & Wing International magazine from PJS Publications Inc. of Peoria, Ill.

Rotor & Wing International, which will be celebrating its 25th year of publication in 1991, has a subscriber base of 38,500 helicopter industry professionals in 172 countries.

Since 1967, Rotor & Wing International has been the dominant news source for the worldwide civil helicopter marketplace. With the introduction of its military section in 1983, it is now the publication of record for the total helicopter industry.

Magazine operations will shift from Peoria to Potomac, headquarters of Phillips Publishing. Key staff members, including Advertising Director Julie Stone and Editor David Jensen will continue in their roles with the magazine.

Thomas L. Phillips, president of Phillips Publishing, announced the acquisition which he termed the largest in the 16-year history of the company. Phillips Publishing achieved revenues of $44 million in its latest fiscal year.

"I'm delighted that this exceptional magazine and key members of the Rotor & Wing International team will be joining us," Phillips said. "Having published Helicopter News newsletter for the past four years, we are keenly aware of the vitality of this marketplace. With the additional resources of Phillips Publishing, Rotor & Wing International will enjoy significant growth in the years ahead."

Rotor & Wing International represents a major addition to Phillips Publishing's growing Magazine Group under the leadership of Group Publisher David J. Durham. The Magazine Group also includes these specialized business magazines: Avionics, Via Satellite and Mobile Products News.

In addition to the four magazines, Phillips Publishing publishes more than 30 business newsletters as well as directories, market studies and other

information services, primarily in the fields of defense/aerospace, civil aviation, telecommunications, data communications and banking. The company also publishes eight consumer newsletters in the areas of health and investments.

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#90247p0856 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunex Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNX) today announced that it has filled five new positions for regional sales managers, tapping a cumulative total of 34 years of experience in managing the sales of oncology products.

The five new regional sales managers are: - Kenneth Borum, 42. Midwest regional sales manager. Three years as Eastern regional sales manager for NeoRx Corp. in Seattle and an additional six years experience in oncology sales and management with Adria Laboratories in Columbus, Ohio.

- Jean-Luc Frande, 36. Midatlantic regional sales manager. More than five years' experience in oncology-sales management: two years as district sales manager with Summit Pharmaceuticals, a division of Ciba-Geigy Corp., and the previous two and a half years in oncology-sales management with Schering-Plough in Kenilworth, N.J.

- Charles Griffin, Jr., 33. Southeast regional sales manager. Three years as regional sales manager for Whitehall Laboratories in Atlanta. An additional seven years of experience in oncology and pharmaceutical sales, including position as senior oncology specialist, with Adria Laboratories.

- Michael Hanley, 41. Northeast regional sales manager. Former manager of anticancer products and business development for Bristol-Myers Squibb's International Division, where he oversaw international marketing development for the company's entire oncology product line. He also worked as a hospital manager for Glaxo Inc., in Research Triangle Park, N.C. and for Bristol Laboratories in East Syracuse, N.Y.

- Forrest McIntosh, 40. West Coast Regional Sales Manager. Nine years of experience with Adria. As Central Pacific district sales manager, he managed the sales force for 15 Central and Northwest states. From 1984 to 1986 he was Adria's oncology business manager for special projects and was responsible for strategic program planning for the company's Adriamycin and other oncology product lines.

The five new managers have already begun to recruit local representatives to build regional organizations throughout the United States.

Immunex is a leading biotechnology firm focused on the research, development, marketing, and manufacture of immunological therapeutic products.

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#90247p0857 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - RAC Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: RMF) today announced a monthly dividend of $0.105 per share to holders of record on Sept. 14, 1990, payable on Sept. 28, 1990. The ex-dividend trade date is Sept. 10, 1990.

RAC Income Fund, a closed-end investment fund, primarily invests in fixed-income mortgage-backed securities that are rated AAA or AA by a nationally recognized agency, or are issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government, its agencies or instrumentalities. To a lesser degree, the fund may also invest in mortgage securities deemed to have an equivalent rating by the fund manager. The fund's goal is to distribute monthly income that is 150 to 200 basis points greater than the rate obtainable from U.S. Treasury securities, having the same maturity as the expected average life of the fund's investments.

RAC Income Fund is managed by Ryland Acceptance Advisers, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Ryland Acceptance Corporation. Ryland Acceptance Corporation is an indirect subsidiary of The Ryland Group, Inc. (NYSE: RYL).

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#90247p0862 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

SYRACUSE, NY (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Carlisle Companies Incorporated (NYSE: CSL) has completed the cash purchase of the Off- Highway Braking Systems business from BFGoodrich Aerospace. Further terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

The Off-Highway Braking Systems business manufactures brakes and associated hydraulic controls used on construction, mining and other off-highway vehicles. Sales in 1989 totaled approximately $47 million. The business is headquartered in Bloomington, Ind. and operates plants in Bloomington, the Netherlands and Brazil. The purchase also includes a 49 percent interest in Japan Power Brake located in Tokyo.

The Off-Highway Braking Systems business will become part of Carlisle's Motion Control Subsidiary with headquarters in Ridgway, Pa., which produces brake lining materials for heavy duty truck and off- highway equipment.

Carlisle, headquartered in Syracuse, N.Y., is a diversified manufacturer of products for automotive, industrial, construction and data communications markets. For the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989 it reported sales of $553.7 million.

CONTACT: John Altmeyer, director of mergers & acquisitions of Carlisle Companies Incorporated, 315-474-2500.

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#90247p0863 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Alias Research Inc. (NASDAQ: ADDDF), producers of 3D computer software for design, animation and scientific visualization, today announced results for the second quarter ended July 31, 1990.

Net earnings for the second quarter were US $523,000, or 12 cents per share compared to $332,000 or eight cents per share for the same period last year, a 58 percent increase. Net earnings for the six months were $891,000 compared to $726,000 last year. Revenues for the second quarter were US$4,279,000 compared to $2,153,000 for the second quarter last year, a 99 per cent increase. Revenues for the first six months were $7,656,000 compared to $4,686,000 for the first half of last year.

President Stephen Bingham said, "We attribute strong sales to the fact that our customers tend to be well-capitalized companies investing in Alias technology to increase their own competitiveness in response to a tight economy. The expanding Alias worldwide marketing effort, direct sales force and distribution network continue to add to the company's growth."

Alias introduced entry level workstation products, Alias Designer(TM) and Alias Animator(TM), during the quarter. At quarter's end, the company launched Alias Studio(TM) for the design market and Alias Power Animator(TM) for the professional film and video animation market. These two powerful 3D products represent the most significant R&D effort from Alias to date. The expected revenue stream from the release of Alias Studio on the IBM RISC System/6000 workstations also began at quarter's end.

During the quarter Alias acquired the marketing, distribution, and development rights for new 3D computer graphics software technology for

use by architects, space planners and interior designers from SketchTech, Inc. of Minneapolis, Minnesota. From Digital Art, S.A. of Brussels, Belgium, Alias purchased software technology for use by graphics designers in the creation of photorealistic print and packaging design concepts. This technology will be incorporated into the company's product offerings.

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#90247p0864 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Markel Corporation (NASDAQ: MAKL) announced today its plans to focus the Company in insurance brokerage and underwriting operations in the United States and to simplify its existing organizational structure.

To move toward this goal, Markel has reached a tentative agreement with its Canadian affiliate, Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited (Fairfax) with respect to a proposed transaction in which Markel would acquire the interest Fairfax presently holds in F-M Acquisiton Corporation (F-M) in exchange for $45 million in cash and substantially all its ownership of Fairfax and other securities. Markel currently owns 42.5 percent of F-M which has assets of approximately $550 million and which owns all of the outstanding stock of Shand, Morahan Services Inc. (Shand) and its insurance subsidiaries.

In addition, Markel would exchange its 50 percent-owned claims administration subsidiary, Lindsey & Newsom Claims Services, Inc. for share in Fairfax's publicly-held claims administration subsidiary, Morden & Helwig Group, Inc. Terms and conditions for any such transactions have not been finalized. If consummated, it is contemplated that Markel would own only a very minor interest in Fairfax, would own 90 percent of F-M, would own a minority interest in Morden & Helwig and would cease to own any direct interest in Lindsey & Newsom. Following the transaction, the operations of F-M would be consolidated with Markel's other subsidiaries for financial reporting purposes.

Alan I. Kirshner, President, emphasized that if a definitive agreement can be negotiated, a number of regulatory and other approvals will be required.

Fairfax has announced its intention to acquire Commonwealth Insurance Company, a Canadian property and casualty insurer, and will utilize the proceeds from the sale of F-M in connection with that transaction.

Markel Corporation also announced today that its Board of Directors has authorized the repurchase of its common stock from time to time in the open market. Mr. Kirshner stated that the repurchase authorization was

based upon the Board's perception that the common stock is an extremely attractive investment at this time.

CONTACT: Steven A. Markel, Markel Corporation, 804-965-1675.

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#90247p0867 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Global Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: GIM) today announced a monthly dividend from net investment income of $0.075 per share payable Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 14, 1990.

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#90247p0871 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

FULLERTON, CA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Hughes Aircraft Company has been awarded a $48.7 million follow-on production contract to supply battlefield digital communications equipment for the U.S. Army's Enhanced Position Location Reporting System.

The award from the U.S. Army Communications Electronics Command at Ft. Monmouth, N.J. is in addition to a $107 million production contract received earlier this year by the company's Ground Systems Group. Hughes is a subsidiary of GM Hughes Electronics.

The Enhanced Position Location Reporting System, commonly referred to as EPLRS, provides secure and jam-resistant, user-to-user data communications identification, position location and navigation services.

The compact EPLRS user units can be carried on troops' backs, mounted in vehicles such as tanks or trucks, and installed in helicopters or other aircraft.

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#90247p0872 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARSON, CA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Nissan Motor Corporation in U.S.A. today announced manufacturer's suggested retail prices for its all-new 1991 Sentra line of small sedans.

Nissan Division also disclosed that it will increase prices an average of 1.8 percent on its 1991 carry-over products, or an average of $290 a

vehicle.

Base pricing for the Sentra E two-door with manual transmission begins at $7,999, while the sporty Sentra SE-R is offered at $10,970. Rounding out the Sentra lineup are the value-packed XE sedan, with a suggested base price of $9,100, and the top-of-the-line GXE 4-door with automatic transmission, air conditioning, cruise control, power windows and alloy wheels, offered at $12,750.

Featuring contemporary styling, a modern, ergonomic interior and a pair of state-of-the-art drivetrains, the 1991 Sentra line promises to set new standards for the small car segment.

The 1991 Sentra, which goes on sale at Nissan dealers this month, is available in two- and four-door sedan bodystyles at four trim levels. In addition to the two-door E and XE sedans, buyers may select from SE and performance-oriented SE-R models. The four-door sedan is available in E, XE and luxurious new GXE models.

CONTACT: Bill Pauli of Nissan Motor Corp. in U.S.A., 213-719-5631; or Bob Thomas & Associates, 213-376-6978, for Nissan.

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#90247p0873 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Strong summer sales and the introduction of an enhanced 1991 product lineup have put Pontiac Division in position to finish calendar year 1990 with a 7 percent share of industry passenger car sales, up from 1989's 6.9 percent share, according to Pontiac Division General Manager John G. Middlebrook.

Middlebrook said key summer performers in Pontiac's lineup have been the Grand Prix, up 41 percent in the 60-day period ending Aug. 20; Sunbird, ahead by 27 percent; and Grand Am, up 18 percent.

On the performance front, Pontiac's all-new Twin Dual Cam V6 engine -- a 3.4-liter, 210 horsepower four-cam 24-valve powerplant -- is the highest displacement multivalve V6 from any car manufacturer. It's standard on the 1991 Grand Prix GTP coupe and available on the Grand Prix SE and STE models.

The Grand Prix GTP features the performance and looks of last year's Grand Prix Turbo coupe, but with a price tag thousands below the Turbo coupe. The 1991 Grand Prix STE sedan equipped with the Twin Dual Cam V6 enjoys a similar lower price than its 1990 Turbo V6-equipped predecessor.

A major breakthrough in driver technology and value is being offered on Pontiac's volume-leading Grand Am line -- GM's new-generation ABS VI

anti-lock brake system. By offering ABS VI standard on all Grand Am SE models, Pontiac has brought technology once limited to low-volume sports cars to high-volume, affordable models.

Key highlights of Pontiac's 1991 marketing program include: -- New, lower-priced models for Pontiac's volume sellers -- Grand Am, Sunbird and Grand Prix.

-- Optional appearance packages that provide up-level looks on lower-cost, high-volume models.

-- Option group discounts on all high-volume models for increased value to customers.

Examples of Pontiac's option group pricing strategy include a popularly equipped 1991 Grand Prix SE coupe with a Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) of $16,767 -- $445 below the comparable 1990 LE coupe. A popularly equipped 1991 Trans Sport at $17,654 is $296 below the comparable 1990 model.

On base models, a Sunbird coupe at $9,139 in 1991 is $115 below 1990; Grand Am coupe at $10,629 -- $440 lower than last year; and Grand Prix LE sedan priced at $14,779, $335 less than the 1990 model.

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#90247p0875 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Reynolds Metals Company (NYSE: RLM) today introduced its third new consumer product in 18 months as part of its continuing strategy to broaden the company's presence in the home food management grocery product category.

New Reynolds(R) Microwave Wrap non-stick cooking paper, designed exclusively for use in the microwave oven, is being launched after six years of extensive consumer research. It is viewed by consumers as a natural extension of the company's Reynolds Wrap(R) aluminum foil franchise, the company said.

"While 83 percent of U.S. households now have microwave ovens, this is the first cooking paper designed specifically to provide versatility and convenience in microwave cooking," said John M. Lowrie, vice president and general manager of the Reynolds Consumer Products Division.

The innovative non-stick cooking paper is recyclable and treated with a grease- and moisture-resistant organic coating, the company said. It will be available in the country's Central region this year with national

distribution expected in the near future.

"Microwave Wrap is part of the intense effort Reynolds has launched to grow our consumer products business," he said. "We expect more than 50 percent of the product's volume to come from new or increased category consumption."

In addition to its uniqueness as a microwave product, the new cooking paper has a number of positive environmental benefits. Microwave Wrap is packaged in a carton made from 100 percent recycled paperboard and the core is 100 percent recycled fiber.

Independent consumer marketing research showed that nearly 70 percent of microwave oven owners surveyed intended to purchase the new paper wrap, according to Thomas W. Krusinis, Reynolds brand manager.

Microwave Wrap is available in 25- and 50-square-foot rolls. Each package contains a brochure, prepared by The Microwave Cooking Institute and The Reynolds Wrap Kitchens, explaining product use. Also included in the brochure are recipes for food preparation in the microwave oven.

The introduction of Reynolds Microwave Wrap follows the company's successful launch of two new consumer products last year, Reynolds(R) Crystal Color(R) Plastic Wrap in four colors and Reynolds(R) Sure-Seal(R) reclosable plastic bags. Both products are available nationwide.

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#90247p0878 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pittsburgh Steelers, Landmark Savings Association (AMEX: LSA) and WTAE called interference on alcohol and drug abuse in area schools with the launch of the third annual "Know the Score on Alcohol and Other Drugs" campaign today.

An all-star lineup echoed the sponsors' sentiments and congratulated the Steelers and Landmark for their efforts to sideline drugs for good. Videotaped messages from each of the AFC Central teams, including Reggie Langhorne, Cleveland Browns; Anthony Munoz, Cincinnati Bengals; Mike Munchak, Houston Oilers; and a special message from NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue, highlighted the press conference.

"'Know the Score' is designed to recognize the programs already in place that lead the way in educating students and expanding awareness about the dangers of substance abuse," noted James G. Caliendo, senior vice president and chief operations officer at Landmark. "It is not designed to

teach students about drug and alcohol abuse," he added.

"We think that 'Know the Score' is an appropriate way to honor those schools that are fighting alcohol and drug abuse," said Joe Gordon, Steelers director of communications and business. "We're very pleased at the more than 100 entries we've received this year. And, we salute each school's efforts in the fight against substance abuse," he concluded.

Each week following the Steelers game, voice of the Steelers Myron Cope will announce his choice for the Steelers Player of the Week, in whose name the "Know the Score" award will be presented to that week's winning school. Each week's winning school is announced on Cope's locker room show and on the WTAE-TV nightly newscasts.

"Know the Score" recognizes area school programs that educate students about the dangers of alcohol and drug abuse and is held in conjunction with the Steelers season. The program honors 17 weekly winners with a $500 check in the name of the Steelers Player of the Week. Each winning school receives on-field recognition at one of the Steelers games and a visit from a Steelers player during the school year, as well as various other awards. In addition, this year's winners also receive a "Know the Score" flag to fly at their school. The weekly winners vie for the title of "Know the Score School of the Year," honored at the end of the season with a $2,000 award. The first and second runners-up receive $1,500 and $1,000, respectively.

Entries submitted were judged on overall awareness and impact, meeting program goals, effective reach of target audiences, student and administrative involvement, uniqueness and creativity. The 1990 judges panel included Dr. Joshua Perper, Allegheny County Coroner; Patty Tascarella, associate editor of Executive Report Magazine; Bonnie Rack-Wildner, community services representative for Gateway Rehabilitation Center; and David L. Lloyd, Landmark Savings Association board member.

Landmark Savings Association is a Pennsylvania state-chartered, publicly owned savings association with assets of approximately $1.5 billion.

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#90247p0880 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Equitable Gas Co. president John Milantoni announced today at a joint news conference with Pittsburgh Mayor Sophie Masloff that the local gas utility will support recycling efforts by making a major effort to purchase products produced from recycled materials.

One of the key elements in recyling is that waste materials be reprocessed and returned to the marketplace as useable products.

"Effective with the next production run, our customer billing envelopes and customer return envelopes will be produced on recycled paper," Milantoni said. The company uses an average of 530,000 such envelopes each month.

Milantoni said Equitable is in the process of determining whether the 275,000 gas bill statements it mails each month can be printed on recycled paper. The company also will use recycled paper for its copying machines and computers.

In addition to supporting recycling through the purchase of recycled products, Equitable is assisting in educating the public by including bill inserts about recycling with customers' September gas bills and the use of one of the headquarters building's display window at 420 Boulevard of the Allies, downtown.

Milantoni concluded by saying, "At Equitable we are committed not only to providing economical and efficient energy to the Pittsburgh area, but supporting recycling efforts as well as doing our part in making a better environment for our community."

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#90247p0883 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
OKLAHOMA CITY (AUG. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Devon Energy Corporation (AMEX: DVN DVN.Pr) reported today that its board of directors declared a $0.485 dividend on the company's $1.94 convertible preferred stock, issued Aug. 23, 1989. The dividend covers the period from July 1, 1990 through Sept. 30, 1990. The dividend is payable on Sept. 30, 1990, to preferred stockholders of record as of the close of business Sept. 17, 1990.

Devon Energy Corporation is an independent energy company engaged primarily in oil and gas property acquisitions, exploration and production activities, and oil and natural gas remarketing.

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#90247p0885 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - San Francisco-based PLM

International Inc. (the "company") (AMEX: PLM) announced today that its board of directors has elected J. Alec Merriam chairman of the board of directors of the company and Robert L. Pagel chairman of the Executive Committee of the board of directors of the company. They replace S.A. Megeath III, who has served in these positions since October 1988. On Aug. 11, 1990, Ray A. Goldberg resigned as a director of the company, citing his inability to attend board meetings in person. In addition, Robert N. Tidball was elected to the Executive Committee to fill the vacancy created by the departure of Megeath.

PLM International is an integrated equipment leasing company engaged in the leasing and management of transportation equipment and in operating leases domestically and internationally, as well as the syndication of capital equipment leasing investments. The company operates and manages over $1.3 billion of transportation equipment and related assets for its account, various sponsored partnerships and other third party accounts.

CONTACT: Paula L. Brown of PLM International, 415-544-8227

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#90247p0886 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLIFTON, N.J. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - John Zalarick, formerly marketing communications director of the Record, Hackensack, N.J., has joined Panorama Press, Inc., Clifton, N.J. as marketing director. During his seven year tenure at the Record, he managed public relations, promotion, corporate advertising, research and in-house printing functions.

Zalarick was senior VP, marketing for First Fidelity Bank (formerly Garden State National Bank), for 14 years. Prior to his banking career, he was public relations director of Hackensack Medical Center.

Zalarick is a graduate of Pace University, New York, BBA Marketing, and the advanced management program at the University of Chicago.

He resides in Upper Montclair with his wife Gale, and two sons, John and Jason. He is a former treasurer of the Eastern Region, International Newspaper Marketing Association; a member of the PRSA and North Jersey Advertising Club.

Stan Roth, president, of Panorama said that "John Zalarick's marketing and sales management expertise fits well in our future growth plans."

Panorama Press is one of the larger sheet-fed printers in the New York-New Jersey, metro area with sales of over $14 million.

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#90247p0887 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
TWINSBURG, OHIO (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - James Adamson, executive vice president of marketing for Revco D.S., Inc. today announced the appointment of Jim Mastrian, R.Ph., to the newly created position of vice president and general manager of marketing.

In his new position, Mastrian will have overall responsibility for all purchasing at Revco, including over-the-counter medications, health and beauty aids and prescription medications. He will oversee pharmacy marketing as well as third-party marketing, the department which markets Revco's services to prescription insurance plan providers. He will report directly to Adamson.

The new position replaces that of vice president and general merchandise manager held by Jeffrey Doshan. Doshan has resigned from Revco to become president of the Tannery West retail chain based in Minneapolis.

"We have positioned Revco as a 90s version of the traditional neighborhood drugstore," said Adamson, "with the merchandise mix and customer-driven marketing to support that position. Jim's industry experience and marketing savvy are strengths that will drive the momentum already established."

Mastrian, 48, has significant experience in retail marketing and the drugstore industry. He was formerly senior vice president of merchandising and marketing for the paint store group of Sherwin Williams, headquartered in Cleveland, and president and general manager of the former Sherwin Williams subsidiary Gray Drug Fair, a drug store chain since purchased by Rite Aid.

A native of Farrell, Pa., Mastrian is a 1965 graduate of the University of Pittsburgh. He and his wife Nancy live with their two children in Moreland Hills, Ohio.

Revco, one of the nation's foremost drugstore chains, is a privately held company based in Twinsburg, Ohio.

CONTACT: Diana Lueptow of Revco D.S., Inc., 216-425-9811, ext. 6145; or 216-487-1060 after hours

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#90247p0892 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
PROVIDENCE, RI (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Citizens Financial Group ("Citizens") announced today that it has reached a definitive agreement with Bank of New England Corporation (NYSE: NEB) ("BNE") providing for

Citizens to acquire substantially all of the assets and liabilities from Bank of New England/Old Colony, N.A., BNE's Rhode Island banking subsidiary.

With this acquisition, Citizens will add 22 offices to its existing 30 Rhode Island branch office locations and will also increase its deposits by approximately $900 million, bringing total deposits of Citizens to more than $3 billion.

George Graboys, chief executive officer of Citizens, stated that Citizens "was pleased to have had the opportunity and the resources to acquire this important banking franchise which has served the consumer, business, and public sectors of our state for many years."

Additionally, Graboys noted that "with the addition of Old Colony's branch locations, we are extending our geographic reach within the state to Aquidneck Island, as well as into Woonsocket, West Warwick, Bristol, and East Greenwich, and complementing our branch network in many other communities."

Completion of the transaction, which will be accomplished through Citizens' Rhode Island banking affiliates, Citizens Savings Bank and Citizens Trust Company, is subject to normal approvals by state and federal regulatory authorities.

Citizens Financial Group, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group, plc, is the parent of Citizens Savings Bank and Citizens Trust Company (which operate jointly as Citizens Bank), Fairhaven Savings Bank, and Gulf States Mortgage Company, Inc. Citizens Bank services its markets through 30 offices in Rhode Island, as well as through loan production offices in Boston and Burlington, Mass., and Portland, Maine. Fairhaven Savings Bank is headquartered in Fairhaven, Mass., with branch offices in South Dartmouth, Mattapoisett, and New Bedford, Mass. Gulf States operates offices in Georgia, Florida, Virginia and Kentucky.

Citizens is currently in the process of acquiring BankWorcester Corporation, the parent company of the Worcester County Institution for Savings, which services Central Massachusetts through 18 offices in Worcester and nine surrounding communities. Completion of the BankWorcester acquisition is subject to stockholder and regulatory approvals.

CONTACT: Kenneth E. Hogberg, 401-456-7570; or Herbert W. Cummings, 401-456-7236.

-30- 2703

#90247p0893 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NILES, MI (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Tsusho America, Inc., and National-Standard Company (NYSE: NSD), together with a consortium of Japanese wire weavers, including Fujita Wire Cloth Co., Ltd., announced a joint venture agreement to build a wire weaving facility in North America, according to Tamotsu Shiota, president of Toyota Tsusho America, and Michael B. Savitske, president and chief executive officer of National-Standard.

This joint venture, known as the North American Wire Weaving Company (NAWWC), was created to supply stainless steel wire cloth and related products for applications in the automotive air bag industry and other industrial markets.

The combined capabilities of Toyota Tsusho, National-Standard and the Japanese consortium, through NAWWC, will establish a strong North American manufacturing presence to meet the needs of the rapidly expanding automotive air bag industry for quality wire cloth materials. Wire cloth is used to cool, filter, and diffuse the gases that inflate the air bag.

Production of these materials will begin immediately through the combined resources of all parties. The timing and location of the new North American facility will be finalized at a later date.

Toyota Tsusho America, a subsidiary of Toyota Tsusho Corporation of Nagoya Japan, is a leading trading company having sales of $660 million with 10 operating locations in the U.S. Established in 1960, Toyota Tsusho America is headquartered in New York.

National-Standard Company's Woven Products Group is a major supplier of wire cloth and metal fiber material to the automotive industry for use in critical applications such as air bag inflator devices. National-Standard, founded in 1907, is a Niles, Mich.-based firm with annual sales of approximately $300 million. In 17 operating facilities throughout the world, the company manufactures and distributes a broad range of wire, wire-related products, and specialized machinery systems.

CONTACT: Jan Edwards of National-Standard, 616-683-8100.

-30- 2233

#90247p0895 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Zweig Total Return Fund, Inc. (NYSE, PSE: ZTR), a closed-end investment company that began operations in September 1988, today announced its monthly distribution to shareholders. The distribution, of 8 cents per share, will be paid on Sept. 27, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990 (ex-date Sept. 10, 1990).

Martin Zweig, chairman of the board and president of the fund, said, "I am pleased to announce this distribution to The Zweig Total Return Fund's shareholders. This distribution is in keeping with our policy to make minimum monthly distributions of 0.83 percent of the fund's net asset value (10 percent on an annualized basis), offering our shareholders a stable cash flow."

The Zweig Total Return Fund's investment objective is to seek the highest total return, consisting of capital appreciation and current income, consistent with the preservation of capital.

CONTACT: Jeff Lazar of The Zweig Total Return Fund, 212-486-7110, or Fern Lazar or Debra Wasser of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for the Zweig Total Return Fund.

-30- 1281
#90247p0896 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWPORT, MI (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert McKeon has been named plant manager at Detroit Edison's Fermi 2 power plant. He succeeds Douglas R. Gipson, who was appointed assistant vice president and manager, Nuclear Production, three months ago.

McKeon, with more than 32 years' utility experience at nuclear and fossil fuel plants, has been the plant's Operations superintendent since joining Detroit Edison (NYSE: DTE) in November 1988. In his new position, he will report to Gipson.

"Bob McKeon has a unique blend of utility operating experience combined with a background as an industry evaluator which will serve him well as plant manager," said William S. Orser, senior vice president, Nuclear Generation. "We consider this position a key to Fermi 2 being among the top-performing nuclear plants in the country."

During McKeon's two-year tenure as superintendent, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission has noted continual improvement in plant operations. In 1989, the plant operated for a record 169 continuous days and later that year, successfully completed its first refueling outage in less time than the industry average.

From 1985 to 1988, McKeon worked at Tennessee Valley Authority's Browns Ferry Nuclear Power Plant in Athens, Ala. As operations supervisor and unit superintendent, he was responsible for planning and managing plant operations.

In 1985, he assessed the operation of nuclear power plants across the country as a senior operations evaluator for the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations (INPO). INPO is an industry group dedicated to improving

the nation's nuclear power plant operations by sharing information, assisting in training and annually assessing plant performance.

From 1966 to 1985, McKeon held a number of positions with increasing responsibilities in the operations and radioactive waste areas with General Public Utilities' Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station in Forked River, N.J. He was manager of plant operations the last three years.

McKeon has a bachelor of science degree in physics from Stockton State College in New Jersey. He also held a senior reactor operator's license while at Oyster Creek.

McKeon and his wife, Barbara, live on Grosse Ile.

CONTACT: Martin L. Bufalini II, 313-237-8808, or Lorie N. Kessler, 313-237-8807, both of Detroit Edison.

-30- 2543

#90247p0897 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Loctite Corporation (NYSE: LOC) stated today that Barron's Sept. 3 article titled "The 51st State? A Fateful Choice Looms for Puerto Rico" contains a grossly erroneous estimate of Loctite's 1988 tax saving from its Puerto Rico operations.

The following table shows the correct data for each of the last three fiscal years ended June 30:

LOCTITE CORPORATION
(Dollars in millions)

	1990	1989	1988
Total income after tax	$61.37	$54.48	$41.85
Tax decrease resulting from Puerto Rico operations:			
Percent of IAT	6.6	3.9	6.4
Amount	$4.1	$2.1	$2.7

Loctite Corporation, a worldwide market-driven specialty chemical company, ranks among the leading suppliers of proprietary high- performance adhesives, sealants, coatings, specialized brand-name chemicals and electroluminescent lamps and lighting systems. Principal markets include industrial, electronics, specialized medical, professional automotive and consumer.

CONTACT: Western A. Todd of Loctite, 203-520-5000

-30- 1357
#90247p0899 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 4,) PR NEWSWIRE - EDS and New Century Enterprises, Inc., an affiliate of Pritzker family interests, today announced they have reached an agreement in principle to acquire Westwood Equities Corporation, owner of the Ticor companies. Details of the transaction were not disclosed.

After the acquisition and under a separate agreement, EDS (Electronic Data Systems Corp.) will furnish all information technology services to Westwood's corporate and operating subsidiaries. EDS will immediately bring to bear its extensive information technology expertise and technological infrastructure to improve Ticor's operational efficiency and service capabilities.

"EDS is pleased to be working together with the Pritzkers. Their distinguished record of success in managing and growing businesses makes them the ideal partner for this transaction," said Les Alberthal, chairman president and CEO of EDS. "EDS is also excited by the opportunity to enhance the services of the Ticor companies with the kind of innovative technological support only EDS can provide."

Winston Morrow, president of Westwood Equities Corporation, based in Los Angeles, commented, "This relationship is exactly what Ticor needs to promote its subsidiaries' service capabilities into the next century. We are very pleased and excited to be associated with such an outstanding company as EDS and the Pritzker interests."

The Ticor Title Insurance Companies are one of the nation's oldest and largest providers of real estate title insurance, and Ticor Realty Tax Services is the nation's second-largest provider of tax-reporting services to lenders and others on mortgaged property. Both components facilitate purchases and loans involving residential and commercial properties.

Ticor's title insurance expertise will play an integral role in continuing the growth strategy of EDS' Commercial Insurance Division.

The acquisition is subject to, among other conditions, satisfactory financing arrangements, creditor bank approval and other requisite approvals and consents from state and federal regulators, shareholders and other interests.

EDS, based in Dallas, has operations in 27 countries and is the leader in providing information technology services to customers around the world. Stock reflecting EDS' performance is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

CONTACT: Roger Still of EDS, 214-661-6188; or Joanne Shanley of Ticor, 213-852-6168

-30- 2736

#90247p0900 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Pratt & Whitney's JT9D -- the engine that launched the first Boeing 747 into service 20 years ago -- recently marked another milestone as the first engine of its class to surpass 100 million hours flight hours.

With nearly 3,000 engines in service on about 700 aircraft, the JT9D is the most widely used wide-body aircraft engine in the world. In operation with some 60 airlines, these engines are accumulating approximatley 600,000 flight hours every month.

In addition to the Boeing 747, JT9Ds power Boeing 767s, McDonnell Douglas DC-10s and Airbus Industrie A310 and A300 wide-body aircraft.

The JT9D also was the first "high-bypass" turbofan engine to enter commercial service, an achievement that contributed substantially to improved propulsion efficiency, lower noise levels and greater takeoff thrust.

High-bypass turbofans are engines that use a large fan at the front of the engine to force pressurized air around and through the engine.

The higher the ratio of air propelled around the engine to the air passing through the engine's core the greater the fuel efficiency. The bypass ratio of a JT9D engine is about 5 to 1 compared to about 1.5 to 1 for earlier turbofans.

From the original JT9D-3A model at 43,600 pounds of thrust, the series has recorded a 25 percent increase in thrust to the latest model, the JT9D-7R4H1, which produces 56,000 pounds of thrust.

Production of the JT9D has been slowly winding down and will end later this year. It is being replaced by a more advanced and more powerful engine, the PW4000, which entered service in 1987.

The PW4000 is currently in service at 60,000 pounds of thrust, but the engine is capable of growing to 85,000 pounds of thrust and beyond when required by the world's airlines.

Pratt & Whitney is a unit of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX).

CONTACT: Dave Long of Pratt & Whitney, 203-565-1292

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#90247p0914 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRASS VALLEY, CA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Brush Creek Mining and Development Co. Inc. (the "Company") (NASDAQ: BCMD) announced today that a second independent laboratory, Rocky Mountain Geochemical of Nevada, has confirmed by check fire assays its recent gold discovery in the Northern Mines Region of the California Motherlode.

To date, the company has taken and fire-assayed a total of 64 channel samples out of this new discovery. These 64 channel samples taken from two separate levels are more representative of the grade of gold mineralization than drill intercepts as they are significantly bigger samples (approximately 25 pounds each over an average width of 4.6 feet.) The ore shoots were accessed through two previously developed drifts, 2,900 feet and 700 feet respectively, 400 vertical feet apart. These ore shoots are open to depth.

The above gold values include some of the highest assays. The uncut weighted average grade of the remaining samples returned 3.28 ounces of gold per ton, to give an overall uncut weighted average of 5.45 ounces of gold per ton over an average width of 4.6 feet. In addition to the gold, the eight samples listed above averaged 2.235 ounces of silver per ton.

This preliminary sampling program was designed to confirm the presence of bonanza type ore and further evaluation is underway by Keewatin Engineering to determine the average grade of the milling ore. The Company estimates a first-stage exploration program will cost $5 million.

The company also announced that effective Aug. 31, 1990, Georges Benarroch has been appointed chairman of board of directors and chief executive officer. Since 1982 Benarroch has been the chief executive officer and president of Euro Canadian Securities limited of Toronto, Canada, an investment banking firm. Benarroch is a specialist in institutional asset management and is a director of various financial institutions as well as private and public comapnies in Canada, United States, and Europe. Benarroch has been involved as agent or syndicate member in raising financing internationally in various currencies for public comapnies, with particular interest in natural resources. He is involved in regular work with international organizations such as the Global Economic Action Institute and the International Peace Academy. Benarroch holds a master's degree and a doctorate in international law from Canadian and European universities.

CONTACT: Michael Pickering of Brush Creek Mining and Development Co., 916-477-5961.

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#90247p0915 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

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Eight separate fire assays, checking the 5 high-grade ore shoots, returned the following comparative assay results:

	Sample No.	Width (in feet)	1st Assay Results Hunter Labs Oz. Gold/Ton	2nd Assay Results Rocky Mountain Oz. Gold/Ton
1st Ore Shoot	2	3.5	10.74	9.96
1st Ore Shoot	7	4.0	10.38	9.66
1st Ore Shoot	12	5.0	34.70	35.11
2nd Ore Shoot	16	5.0	11.65	12.04
3rd Ore Shoot	26	5.0	10.68	9.93
4th Ore Shoot	54	5.0	1.35	1.44
4th Ore Shoot	55	4.0	21.91	22.58
5th Ore Shoot	56	5.0	10.68	9.93

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CONTACT: Michael Pickering of Brush Creek Mining and Development Co., 916-477-5961

-30- 3571

#90247p0917 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOMEWOOD, IL (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Prominent business book publisher Dow Jones-Irwin has announced that it is changing its name to Business One Irwin. Effective immediately, all books published by the company will bear the new imprint.

The company is a division of textbook publisher Richard D. Irwin, Inc., and was established in 1965 as a result of a co-publishing agreement with Dow Jones & Co., Inc. Ten years later, Dow Jones & Co. purchased Richard D. Irwin, and Dow Jones-Irwin continued its rapid growth as a trade and professional book publisher.

In February 1988, Richard D. Irwin was purchased by The Times Mirror Company (NYSE: TMC) and became part of that company's growing professional information and book publishing group.

Since its inception 25 years ago, Business One Irwin has expanded its publishing program to include books on banking, computers, management, manufacturing, marketing, small business, professional reference, and custom publishing for associations and corporations. Some of the company's best-selling titles include:

-- Service America!, Doing Business in the New Economy,
   by Karl Albrecht and Ron Zemke
-- At America's Service, How Corporations Can Revolutionize the
   Way They Treat Their Customers,
   by Karl Albrecht -- The Money Market
   by Marcia Stigum
-- The Dow Jones-Irwin Guide To Using The Wall Street Journal,
   by Michael B. Lehmann -- The Banker's Handbook
   Edited by William H. Baughn, Thomas I. Storrs,
   and Charls E. Walker
-- Stan Weinstein's Secrets For Profitting In Bull And Bear Markets,
   by Stan Weinstein -- Perot, An Unauthorized Biography,
   by Todd Mason

-- Executive Support Systems, The Emergence of Top Management
Computer Use,
by John F. Rockart and David W. DeLong

Business One Irwin is a division of Richard D. Irwin, Inc., a wholly owned operating unit of Los Angeles based Times Mirror. Its headquarters are located in Homewood. In early 1992, Business One Irwin will join the Irwin company in its new 150,000 sq. ft. national headquarters, currently under construction in Burr Ridge, Ill., a suburb of Chicago.

CONTACT: Rick Riddering or Ray DuBois of Business One Irwin, 708-206-2700.

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#90247p0920 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
GREENVILLE, SC (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Sirrine Environmental Consultants, Inc., a Chemical Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: CHW) company, is pleased to announce that Dr. Donald K. Emig, P.E., will manage their newly opened northeast office located in Princeton, New Jersey.

Before joining Sirrine Environmental, Dr. Emig was a Vice President and Project Director with Roy F. Weston, Inc. Dr. Emig has more than thirty years of experience in the environmental industry, which includes serving as the Director of Environmental Policy with the Office of the Secretary of Defense. He is a Diplomate of the American Academy of Environmental Engineers.

CONTACT: Harriett Vinson, Marketing Coordinator, Sirrine Environmental Consultants, Inc., 803-234-3005.

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#90247p0924 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Authorized Distribution Network Inc. (NASDAQ: ADNI) (ADN) has announced that it had, through its wholly owned subsidiary, RJC Acquisition Corp., acquired all of the stock of Recticon Corp. from Walker International Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: WINT).

Located in Pottstown, Pa., Recticon manufactures and distributes silicon wafers and ingots for use in the semiconductor industry. Until 1986, when it was purchased by Walker, Recticon was a subsidiary of Rockwell International. Recticon has been in business for 20 years and is one of the only companies in the silicon wafer industry that continues under American ownership.

ADN, which does business as Data Access Systems, designs and distributes a terminal, the AT 1127, that is used primarily with Unisys mainframes. ADN is traded on the NASDAQ market under the symbol ADNI.

Walker International is traded on the NASDAQ market under the symbol WINT.

CONTACT: Jane T. Gardner of Authorized Distribution Network, 215-875-0900

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#90247p0925 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT.4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pacific Stock Exchange (PSE) announced today the commencement of options trading on C&S/Sovran Corp. "When Issued" stock.

C&S/Sovran is the result of a Plan of Reorganization approved by the shareholders of Sovran Financial Corp. (NYSE: SOV), and Citizens and Southern Corp. (NYSE: CTZ), whereby the two organizations would become the wholly-owned subsidiaries of C&S/Sovran (NYSE: CVN).

Because the underlying stock of the newly configured C&S/Sovran is also trading on the PSE, the addition of listed options gives investors the opportunity of trading both instruments on the PSE for risk management transactions.

C&S/Sovran Corp.
Stock Symbol: CVN
Option Symbol: CVN
Expiration Cycle: February four-month
Current Months Trading: September; October; November; February
Exercise/Position Limits: 5,000
Exercise/Strike Prices: 17-1/2; 20; 22-1/2; 25; 30

CONTACT: Tracey Johnson, 415-393-4245; or Roy Berces, 415-393-4188, both of the Pacific Stock Exchange

-30- 1206

#90247p0926 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - John L. Boylan, 35, has been elected treasurer of Lancaster Colony Corporation (NASDAQ: LANC) it was announced today by John B. Gerlach, president of the company.

Gerlach said, "Jack Kennedy who has been with Lancaster Colony for 28 years chose to relinquish the treasurer post, but he continues with the company specializing in the field of state taxation. John Boylan is particularly well qualified to assume the treasurer duties."

Boylan joined Lancaster Colony in 1986 as director of financial planning and was elected assistant treasurer in 1987. Previously, he was an audit manager with Deloitte & Touche.

A native of Delaware, Ohio, Boylan is a graduate of Ohio State University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in business administration with a major in accounting. He is a certified public accountant.

A resident of Upper Arlington, Ohio, he is married and has two children.

CONTACT: John B. Gerlach, president of Lancaster Colony Corporation, 614-224-7141; or Investor Relations Consultants, 813-796-1452

-30- 1229

#90247p0933 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - San Francisco-based PLM International Inc. (AMEX: PLM) announced today that its board of directors has elected J. Alec Merriam chairman of the board of directors of the company and Robert L. Pagel chairman of the executive committee of the board of directors of the company. They replace S.A. Megeath, III, who has served in these positions since October 1988.

On Aug. 11, 1990, Ray A. Goldberg resigned as a director of the company, citing his inability to attend board meetings in person. In addition, Robert N. Tidball was elected to the executive committee to fill the vacancy created by the departure of Megeath.

PLM International is an integrated equipment leasing company engaged in the leasing and management of transportation equipment and in operating leases domestically and internationally, as well as the syndication of capital equipment leasing investments.

The company operates and manages over $1.3 billion of transportation equipment and related assets for its account, various sponsored partnerships and other third party accounts.

CONTACT: Paula L. Brown of PLM International, Inc., (415) 544-8227.

-30- 1360

#90247p0938 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

LYNN, MASS. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Italian Ministry of Defense today selected the T700/T6A engine, co-developed by Alfa Romeo Avio and Fiat Avio of Italy, and GE (USA) Aircraft Engines, to power the Italian Navy's new three-engine EH101 helicopter.

With power ratings of 2000 SHP, the T700/T6A is the most powerful derivative yet developed from GE's highly successful T700 engine family.

The three-engine, multi-mission EH101 helicopter has been developed by EH

Industries, a joint effort between Gruppo Agusta of Italy and Westland Helicopter of the UK, as well as between the governments of the U.K. and Italy.

The EH101 entered flight testing in October 1987, and eight prototypes are currently flying, four at Agusta in Italy and four at Westland in the U.K. The ninth, and final, prototype will enter flight testing in the fourth quarter of this year. Five of the prototypes are powered by CT7-6/-6A engines, commercial versions of the military T700/T6A; the other four are powered by T700-GE-401A engines. To date, more than 5,000 engine hours and 670 aircraft flying hours have been accumulated in the EH101 flight test program.

The GE/Italian partnership initiated the agreement to design, develop, qualify, and produce the CT7-6 in July 1986. Since then, the CT7-6/-6A has received commercial qualification from Italian, British, and US aviation authorities, and the T700/T6A, with a common hardware configuration to the CT7-6A, is undergoing qualification in Italy under the authority of the Italian Ministry of Defense.

Alfa Romeo Avio is the prime contractor in Italy for the CT7-6/-6A and T700/T6A engines and together with Fiat Avio will manufacture more than 70 percent of the production engines for use in Italy. All engines will be assembled and tested at Alfa Romeo Avio in Pomigliano D'Arco, Italy.

Elsewhere, the T700/T6A is being offered for the NH90 helicopter, a collaborative effort between Italy, France, West Germany, and the Netherlands. Canada is also considering the CT7-6A to power the EH101 for its NSA (New Shipborne Aircraft).

CONTACT: John Morris of GE Aircraft Engines, 617-594-4809

-30- 2358

#90247p0939 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Allergan Inc. (NYSE: AGN) announced today that the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas upheld its patent for the use of its product "Ultrazyme" in conjunction with hydrogen peroxide to simultaneously clean and disinfect contact lenses. In its ruling, the Court found that broad claims covering methods for simultaneous cleaning and disinfection of contact lenses were valid, infringed and enforceable.

The suit was brought by Alcon Laboratories of Fort Worth, Texas. In addition to seeking to invalidate the patent, the suit alleged that Allergan had violated anti-trust laws. The court ruled that Alcon had failed to prove these claims.

The Court's decision confirms the unique nature of the technology developed by Allergan through its contact lens care research and development activities. Its decision allows Allergan to exclusively market "Ultrazyme" for simultaneous use with hydrogen peroxide in the United States through May, 2005.

"Ultrazyme" is a specially formulated proteolytic enzyme. By combining cleaning with peroxide disinfection, lens care becomes more efficacious and convenient and patient compliance improves.

Allergan Inc. is a worldwide health care company concentrated in eye care. Allergan supplies prescription and over-the-counter pharmaceuticals, contact lenses and lens care products, and ophthalmic diagnostic products. Based in Irvine, Calif., the company employs more than 6,500 people.

CONTACT: B. Norris Battin (media), 714-752-4345 or 714-673-4299 (home); or Jeff D'Eliscu (investors), 714-752-4636 or 714-675-9475 (home), both of Allergan Inc.

-30- 1839

#90247p0940 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today issued the following Debenture Announcement:

Date of Offering:	Sept. 6, 1990	
Issue Date:	Sept. 10, 1990	
Term:	7 years	10 years
Callable on or after:	9/10/94	N/A
Amount (millions):	$500	$400
Maturity Date:	9/10/97	9/11/00
Date of First Interest Payment (then semi-annually):	03/10/91	03/11/91
Date interest rates and prices will be announced:	Sept. 5, 1990	

The debentures of Sept. 10, 1997 are redeemable on or after Sept. 10, 1994 in whole or in part at the option of the corporation at any time (and from time to time) on or after the initial redemption date at a redemption price of 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption.

The net proceeds of this offering will be used to redeem the $500,000,000 of Series SM-1990-H, 10.00 percent debentures due Sept. 10, 1990, and added to the working capital of the Federal National Mortgage Association and used for general corporate purposes.

Debentures will be issued in book-entry form only. The minimum purchase is $10,000 and multiples of $5,000 thereafter. The offering is being made through Fannie Mae's Senior Vice President - Finance and Treasurer Gary L. Perlin, and Vice President and Assistant Treasurer Linda K. Knight, 3900 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016, assisted by a nationwide selling group of recognized securities dealers.

The issues that are offered on Sept. 6, 1990, will be free to trade at 8:20 a.m., EDT.

CONTACT: Tom Marder of Fannie Mae, 202-752-7608

-30- 1888

#90247p0941 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

STERLING, VA. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Radiation Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: RADS) today announced a cash dividend of 5 cents per share payable on Oct. 4, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 20, 1990.

This will be the seventh dividend paid by the company since resumption of its semiannual dividend program.

Radiation Systems, Inc. designs, manufactures and installs a broad range of antenna systems for radar, air traffic control, tactical military, satellite earth stations, terrestrial microwave and other specialized uses throughout the world.

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HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today reported that production of the Dodge Daytona sports car and the Chrysler LeBaron coupe and convertible at its St. Louis I (Fenton, Mo.) Assembly Plant will be temporarily extended to the end of the 1991 model year, barring unforeseen circumstances.

The company said it plans to provide an additional seven months of continued employment for about 2,300 St. Louis I hourly and salaried employees by the temporary extension.

The extended production at St. Louis I will enable the company's Newark (Del.) Assembly Plant to satisfy increased fleet and dealer demand for the Dodge Spirit and Plymouth Acclaim. It also allows the Sterling Heights

(Mich.) Assembly Plant the flexibility to react to potential increased demand for the fuel-efficient Dodge Shadow and Plymouth Sundance, including the new low-priced America models.

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COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Analytical Surveys, Inc. announced today (Sept. 4) that it has appointed Sid Corder as president and chief operating officer for the company. The announcement was made by Analytical Surveys' Chairman John Thorpe who will remain chief executive officer and will remain responsible for policy formation and strategic technical advancements for the corporation.

Corder brings more than 20 years of experience and expertise in business management and technical direction to Analytical Surveys. He was formerly president of Cubic Corporation's subsidiary Cubic Western Data, a San Diego-based high-tech electronics firm. In his newly established position, Corder will be directly responsible for the organization, implementation and management of all operational and financial objectives for the company.

"We are delighted to announce the appointment of an individual with Sid's valuable experience and impressive accomplishments," said Thorpe. "Sid will contribute greatly to the efficient management of our business and to its continuing growth."

Before joining Cubic Corporation in 1979, Corder was general manager of manufacturing control for Rohr Industries, a California-based company providing technology and manufacturing services to the aerospace industry. In addition, his extensive business background includes formal education at Stanford University, the University of Southern California and San Diego State University.

Analytical Surveys, Inc. is a professional services company providing digital mapping and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) database services. The company is an industry leader in innovative technological advances and productivity. Its clients include cities, counties, utility companies and others making use of the emerging technologies related to digital mapping.

CONTACT: Edwin Neuger, 612-333-6621 or 612-929-0945 (home); or Martha Danes, 612-333-6621 or 612-493-2687 (home), both of Edwin Neuger & Associates, for Analytical Surveys

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#90247p0946 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - International Mobile Machines Corp. (NASDAQ: IMMCC) announced today that type approval ("Homologacion") of the Ultraphone(R) system by the Secretary of Communications and Transports (SCT) of Mexico has been received, significantly expanding the market for IMM's Ultraphone products.

In Mexico, Homologacion is recognized as much more than just type approval; it is a seal of excellence.

After an 18-month evaluation of the Ultraphone 100 for its technical merits as well as its value to Mexico, the SCT type-approved the Ultraphone rural radiotelephone system for country-wide deployment, operating at 454.025-459.650 MHz with a 20 KHz channel width and a 5 MHz separation between transmit and receive.

In the United States, this action can be compared to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) establishment of Basic Exchange Telecommunications Radio Service (BETRS) in January 1988. BETRS was established "to make basic telephone service more accessible to rural households and businesses." The FCC assigned 94 channels to BETRS; 26 are the same channels that Mexico has reassigned and where the Ultraphone has provided service for more than three years in the United States.

This announcement comes shortly after Telefonos de Mexico S.A. de C.V. (Telmex) issued a purchase order for Ultraphone systems in the amount of $1.64 million, which are currently being installed. Telmex has also standardized the Ultraphone 100 system as the technology of choice to address their rural backlog and may now utilize the 454 to 459 MHz to provide rural radiotelephone service. IMM's distributor, ROLM Telecomunicaciones S.A. de C.V., which assisted in the sale of the first system to Telmex, played a key role in Ultraphone receiving Homologacion. Carlos Humphrey, general manager of ROLM, said, "We signed up to sell the Ultraphone because we knew it was an excellent product and could solve Mexico's telecommunications problems. The Ultraphone receiving Homologacion proves we were right and expands the market potential in Mexico significantly."

Leonel Lopez Celaya, from the SCT said, "This type approval of the world's most advanced, digital, spectrum-efficient rural radiotelephone system is a very strong message that as Mexico moves into the 21st century it will no longer be a dumping ground for antiquated 20th century technologies."

IMM is a world leader in wireless digital access technologies.

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LIVERPOOL, NY (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Fay's Incorporated (NYSE: FAY) reported net earnings for the second quarter ended July 28, 1990 were a record $3,253,000 or $.21 per share, compared to $3,018,000 or $.20 per share in the second quarter of last year. Revenues for the quarter increased 16.1 percent to a record $162.3 million from $139.8 million a year earlier. Revenues for comparable stores (stores open one year or more as of July 28, 1990) increased 10.2 percent for the quarter.

Fay's net earnings for the first half of the year, before an extraordinary charge, were a record $4,729,000 or $.31 per share, compared to $4,373,000 or $.29 per share earned in the first six months of last year. Revenues for the first half increased 16.5 percent to $315.5 million from $270.9 million a year earlier. For the first half of the year, revenues for comparable stores increased 8.5 percent.

During the first quarter, the company repurchased, in open market transactions, $12 million face value of its 13-3/4 percent subordinated debentures due 2005, which resulted in an extraordinary charge in the first quarter of $574,000 or $.04 per share. Net earnings for the first half of the year, after giving effect to the extraordinary charge, were $4,155,000 or $.27 per share.

Henry A. Panasci, Jr., chairman of the board of Fay's, stated, "The results for the first half of the year met our expectations. Based upon the aggressive game plan we have put together for the balance of this year I expect considerable improvement in Fay's financial performance during the last half of the year."

Since the beginning of the fiscal year, Fay's opened six Fay's Super Drug Stores, one Wheels Discount Auto Supply Store, one Paper Cutter Store and two bantam drug stores. In addition, three bantam drug stores were acquired and one bantam drug store was closed. Fay's currently operates 184 drug stores, 25 Wheels Discount Auto Supply Stores and 18 Paper Cutter Stores in the states of New York and Pennsylvania. Plans for the remainder of the fiscal year include the opening of three Fay's Super Drug Stores, two Wheels Discount Auto Supply Stores and eight Paper Cutter Stores.

CONTACT: Henry A. Panasci Jr., chairman of the board of Fay's Incorporated, 315-451-8000.

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#90247p0953 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MICH. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) met with Maryland Medicaid program administrators last Thursday and agreed on a plan to offer rebates to the state for Upjohn prescription products, the company announced today.

The agreement will provide a $1.35 rebate for each Medicaid prescription filled with the company's products. The proposal includes both single-source, those covered by patent, and multi-source medications.

"We are pleased that Maryland could be the first state to sign such an agreement with Upjohn," said Nelson Sabatini, deputy secretary, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. "This represents a very positive step in helping to stem the rising cost of health care."

The terms of the agreement originated in a proposal made by Upjohn to all Medicaid programs on Aug. 27.

"Pharmaceutical therapy offers the most cost-effective means of treating many diseases, while holding down costs such as surgery and hospitalization," said Theodore Cooper, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of The Upjohn Company. "The Upjohn Medicaid prescription rebate proposal assures greater public access to the innovative pharmaceutical products that we develop, while offering savings to Medicaid budgets during a time of increased financial pressures," Cooper said.

Under the agreement, Upjohn would provide the Maryland Medicaid program with a quarterly rebate payment based on the number of prescriptions filled during the previous three-month period. The rebates are intended to reimburse the states for a portion of their Medicaid prescription claims processing and dispensing costs. "The beauty of the Upjohn proposal is its simplicity," said Sabatini. "The rebate doesn't change from drug to drug, and we see it as a very clean, workable plan."

The Upjohn Company is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care products and services, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

CONTACT: John R. Butler of The Upjohn Company, 616-323-6901

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#90247p0956 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MORRIS TOWNSHIP, N.J. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied-Signal Aerospace Company's Garrett Fluid Systems Division in Tempe, Ariz. has been awarded

contracts with a potential value of more than $60 million to provide systems for the 50-passenger Canadair Regional Jet, Allied-Signal announced today.

Garrett Fluid Systems will develop and produce the aircrafts main engine start system, thrust reverser actuation system, wing anti-ice system and a number of valves for the new jet.

The twin-engine jetliner is scheduled to enter service in 1992. Deliveries of the anti-ice system and valves will begin this year. Starter and thrust reverser system deliveries will begin in mid-1991.

Garrett Fluid Systems Division is the world's leading supplier of aircraft starters. The division also designs, develops and manufacturers pneumatic and hydraulic controls and actuation systems as well as undersea and space power systems.

Allied-Signal Aerospace is a unit of Allied-Signal Inc. (NYSE: ALD), an advanced technology company with businesses in aerospace, automotive products and engineered materials.

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#90247p0959 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Canal Capital Corporation (NYSE: COW) at a meeting today announced that the dividend payable on Sept. 30, 1990 on its $1.30 exchangeable preferred stock would be paid in additional shares of preferred stock at the rate of .0325 shares for each share of preferred stock outstanding.

A cash dividend will be paid in lieu of fractional shares that would otherwise be issuable, at the market value on the record date. The dividend shall be payable to stockholders of record on Sept. 18.

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#90247p0963 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - WMS Industries Inc. (NYSE: WMS) announced today results for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. Despite an increase in revenues from $143,940,000 in fiscal 1989 to $147,062,000 in the year just ended, the company reported a fiscal 1990 net loss of $10,293,000 ($1.24 per share) as compared with net income of $218,000, or $.03 per

share, in fiscal 1989.

The primary reason for the loss was a $7 million write-off of the company's investment in Divi Hotels N.V. and a charge of $2.8 million incurred in connection with the move of the company's corporate office from New York City to the company's existing facility in Chicago, offset in part by a $2 million gain relating to the excess of insurance proceeds over the net book value of the company's hotel properties damaged by Hurricane Hugo.

Income from operations before the $7 million Divi write-off and adjusted to exclude the $2.8 million relocation charge was $6,186,000 for fiscal 1990 compared to $10,954,000 for fiscal 1989.

Several factors contributed to this lower level of operating income. The impact of Hurricane Hugo which struck Puerto Rico in September 1989, necessitated reduced average room rates to maintain occupancy levels. In the coin-operated amusement game business the company has dedicated considerable resources to secure a meaningful share of the video game market which requires incurring significant up-front investment in design engineering costs before models are manufactured and shipped. And the company has made other investments to achieve long-term improvements, including embarking on a Manufacturing Resource Planning (MRPII) project to generate benefits by improving purchasing, inventory and other manufacturing-related operations.

Despite the disappointing results for fiscal 1990, Louis J. Nicastro, chairman of the board, indicated that "Our hotel/casino properties are in better condition with more and expanded facilities than ever before. Puerto Rico continues to benefit from increased airline availability which will better serve the continuing strong demand of tourism to the island. We are embarking on the development of a major destination resort complex through a joint venture with an affiliate of Kumagai Gumi Company, Ltd., one of the world's leading construction companies, which has been actively involved in the development of major resort projects in the Hawaiian Islands.

"Our amusement game business is poised to move forward to secure a larger share of the worldwide video game market. As the dominant force in the pinball market we expect to benefit from the opening of new markets in Eastern Europe and from the unification of East and West Germany, of which the latter has continuously been one of our stronger markets. We expect to achieve significant benefits as a result of our MRPII project and other changes we have made to our manufacturing facilities. As our video library grows, we look forward to generating increased ancillary income from the licensing of our video game titles to the home video game market."

WMS Industries Inc. is engaged in the design, manufacture and sale of

coin-operated amusement games and the ownership and operation of hotels and casinos.

CONTACT: Paul R. Shackford, vice president-finance of WMS Industries, 312-728-2300, or Gordon Wolfe or Philip Y. Sardoff, both of Wolfe Lombard, Inc., 212-545-8400, for WMS

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#90247p0966 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA ANA, CA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - ON-SITE Toxic Control Inc. (OTC-pink sheets) subsidiary Ultrox International has achieved a backlog of $1.75 million, the largest in the water and air treatment company's history. Xerox Corp., General Motors Corp., TRW, the U.S. Bureau of Engraving and the city of South Gate, Calif., have full-scale Ultrox systems under construction.

ON-SITE Toxic Control Inc. is a leader in the $3 billion water and air purification market. Recently, the Unipure Division of Unocal and FMC have signed marketing and technical agreements with Ultrox. A positive U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) report on the company's technology -- called ultraviolet light (UV)/oxidation -- has now been released on videotape, as part of its selection by the EPA to the prestigious Superfund Innovative Technology Evaluation (SITE) program. The reports are increasing recognition and support for UV/oxidation technology.

The California Department of Health Services is sponsoring a major environmental cleanup project -- the first of its kind in the nation -- with Ultrox. The project will restore a South Gate, Calif., contaminated drinking water well to municipal use. UV/oxidation destroys chemicals found in many contaminated drinking water wells nationwide.

"The $1.75 million backlog represents a substantial step up in sales of our water treatment equipment," said David B. Fletcher, president of ON-SITE Toxic Control. "We are well-positioned to benefit from current regulatory trends and increasing market demand."

ON-SITE Toxic Control Inc. subsidiary Ultrox International manufactures and sells advanced oxidation water and air purification equipment. Pesticides, PCBs, industrial cleaning solvents, gasoline components and other toxic organics found in industrial groundwater, wastewater or municipal water wells are destroyed on-site with a patented technique, relieving customers of the long-term liabilities associated with handling, storing and transporting hazardous wastes. There are currently 12 full-scale UV/oxidation facilities nationwide.

For more information, contact Trudy M. Self at 213-559-7652, or David B.

Fletcher at 714-545-5557.

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#90247p0968 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Diamandis Communications Inc., a U.S. subsidiary of Hachette Publications, Inc., announced today that regular publication of Memories is being suspended effective with the October 1990 issue. Memories will continue to appear twice a year.

Peter Diamandis, president and CEO of DCI, said, "Memories has been a critical success. However, the current softness in the advertising marketplace makes it imprudent to continue the current roll-out plan." He added, "The staff of Memories has done an excellent job, and our decision is not a reflection of their outstanding accomplishments."

The DCI unit of Hachette publishes American Photo, Audio, Boat, Boating, Car and Driver, Car Stereo Review, Cycle, Cycle World, Elle, Elle Decor, Flying, Popular Photography, Road & Track, Showboats International, Stereo Review, Woman's Day, Woman's Day Specials, and the Popular Magazines line of puzzle magazines.

Headquartered in Paris, Hachette, which operates in 39 countries, is a multimedia company with interests in television, book publishing, distribution, printing, magazines and newspaper publishing.

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#90247p0970 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNETONKA, MINN. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Advance Circuits, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADVC), Minnetonka-based manufacturer of printed circuits, announced today (Sept. 4), that it had reached agreements with the United Steelworkers of America, AFL-CIO in two separate agreements covering its hourly employees. One agreement covers its hourly employees in its Minnetonka plant and the other agreement covers its hourly employees in its Hopkins and Roseville plants. Both of the agreements are for three years and expire Sept. 25, 1993.

Heller indicated that the agreements assure the company of uninterrupted production for the next three years and allow the labor force to participate in successful operations through a series of incentives. The incentives are based on the company achieving specified levels of gross

profit which if achieved allow the work force increased compensation while not distorting the company's historical operation ratios.

The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol - ADVC.

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#90247p0972 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Fujitsu Limited announced today that it is commencing marketing of the "M-1800 Model Group" of large- scale computers, which consists of five models and includes the highest performance general purpose computer in the world.

The large-scale computer line is the first product introduction within the framework of "Mission/DC" (Multi-environment Information Systems Solution by Domain Concept), Fujitsu's newly unveiled concept for mainframe use in the 1990's. Mission/DC represents a comprehensive approach to satisfying customers' requirements for system construction and development and to providing them with effective systems in today's multi-vendor environment. Accordingly, Mission/DC will have a major influence on Fujitsu's future product introductions.

In conjunction with the mainframe announcement and based on the overall Mission/DC concept, Fujitsu is introducing several software enhancements to its previously announced MSP-EX mainframe operating system that will promote high-speed processing and ease of operation. The enhancements include compatibility with IBM's ESA; a high-speed batch processing system called "Excel Batch," which utilizes a system storage unit (SSU); and an integrated storage management system referred to as "GSM/MNGR." Fujitsu is also introducing an integrated supervision system called "FTOPS," which facilitates efficient monitoring and control of complex systems and remote operations.

Background

The mainframe system is taking on a more and more important role as a global server that supports the basic operations of an enterprise. Conretely speaking, the major functions undertaken by mainframes today include: database processing that encompasses an enterprise's total activities, high-speed application processing, and communication processing to support expanding networks. Moreover, operations management -- namely, monitoring and controlling these three functions -- is becoming increasingly important.

To respond to these changing requirements in an effective and timely

manner, Fujitsu has created Mission/DC, a new concept for mainframe use in the 1990's, which seeks to:

-- Improve efficiency of system development
-- Enable continuous operation
-- Accommodate high-speed and large-volume processing
-- Facilitate multi-vendor and open systems
-- Reduce manpower for system operation and management

CONTACT: Michael Solomon or Robert Pomeroy of Michael Solomon Associates, 212-755-7680, for Fujitsu

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#90247p0975 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Kevin D. O'Connor, former Milwaukee city alderman, has been appointed to a new position as vice president and manager of public finance in Wisconsin for Norwest Investment Services, Inc. (NISI), a unit of Norwest Corporation (NYSE: NOB). He was vice president, public finance, at First Chicago Capital Markets.

Robert C. Brown, president of Minneapolis-based NISI, said O'Connor's appointment represents the beginning of a significant expansion in Wisconsin of NISI activity in public finance.

In his new position, O'Connor will seek opportunities for Norwest to underwrite and manage taxable and tax-exempt securities for city and county government agencies and for colleges, hospitals and other institutions.

During the past five years, NISI has managed or co-managed more than $6 billion in municipal bonds and other government-related financings in the Upper Midwest, including more than $100 million in Wisconsin.

O'Connor served as Fourth District alderman in Milwaukee from 1974 to 1983 when he joined First Wisconsin National Bank as manager of economic development. He was assistant vice president, public finance, at First Wisconsin National Bank for two years and served as Milwaukee County treasurer before moving to First Chicago in 1989.

A native of Essex Fells, N.J., O'Connor has a B.A. degree from Marquette University (1972) and an M.B.A. degree from the University of Chicago School of Business (1986).

He is president of the Milwaukee Public Library Board of Trustees and is a member of the boards of the Milwaukee Public Library Foundation, the Milwaukee Montessori School and the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra.

Norwest Corporation is a $26.8 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking-related and specialized financial services through more than 1,290 offices in 47 states and internationally.

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#90247p0976 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Albert Fisher Group PLC today announced that it has entered into an agreement with Larios S.A. to form a joint company in Spain to be known as Albert Fisher Larios, S.A.

Larios, established in 1866, is a major private Spanish group principally involved in the manufacture and distribution of drink products. In the year to Dec. 31, 1989, it had a turnover of Pts 27,000 million (146 million pounds sterling).

Larios is based in Malaga and has a number of manufacturing and operating locations throughout Spain. They have a wide customer base, serving most supermarkets, cash and carry, catering and wholesale outlets in Spain.

Larios has recently diversified into food and other areas. It has established a number of joint venture and strategic investments in non-food sectors where it is able to use its experience in the areas of commerce and marketing.

The joint company will be formed with an initial capital of Pts 1,000 million (5.4 million pounds). The shares will be owned equally by Albert Fisher and Larios.

The purpose of the joint company will be to acquire and develop companies involved in the processing, sale and distribution of a range of food products in Spain and Portugal.

Immediately after the formation of the joint company, Larios will transfer its interest in Deshidratados y Conservas, S.A. (Trevijano) to the joint company. Trevijano is a well established brand name in Spain and has a factory at Logrono in the region of Rioja in northern Spain.

It is engaged in the production and sale of a range of processed food products in cans and glass jars including conserves, pickles, asparagus and tomato puree.

Albert Fishers said it considers the joint company formed with a group of the stature of Larios the most appropriate way of developing its food processing operations into Spain and Portugal. Larios has strong local management, a broad and well established customer base, and a strong

commitment to the development of the joint company.

This customer base will enable Albert Fisher's Northern European processing companies to market and distribute an increasing range of products through the joint company in Spain. The processing operations within the joint company will in turn provide an additional source of food products for marketing and distribution by Albert Fisher's network of companies in Northern Europe.

CONTACT: Tony Millar of the Albert Fisher Group, 0753-857111, or Alan Parker of the Brunswick Group, 071-404-5959, or Fern C. Lazar of Dewe Rogerson, (212) 688-6840, for the Albert Fisher Group.

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#90247p0978 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Witco Corporation (NYSE: WIT) said today it has purchased over 578,000 shares, about 2.5 percent of its outstanding common stock, since the beginning of February 1990. This represents nearly 20 percent of the $100 million authorized by Witco's board of directors for the buy back of its stock and/or 5.5 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2012.

Witco Chairman William Wishnick said the company intends to continue to buy back stock at its discretion from time to time on the open market. As of Aug. 31, Witco had nearly 22 million common shares outstanding.

Witco manufactures specialty chemical and petroleum products and engineered materials with annual sales of approximately $1.6 billion.

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#90247p0981 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

IONIA, MI (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Independent Bank West Michigan, a subsidiary of Independent Bank Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: IBCP), has agreed, in principle, to purchase the White Cloud, Mich., branch banking office of The Peoples State Bank, a subsidiary of Pinnacle Financial Services, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PNFI). The sale will include approximately $28 million in deposits and $18 million in loans and the office's real estate and equipment.

The Peoples State Bank acquired the White Cloud banking office from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in February 1988, after The First State Bank, White Cloud, was closed by the Michigan Financial Institutions Bureau.

The transaction is subject to the execution of a definitive agreement between the two banks and approval by the appropriate federal and state bank regulatory bodies. If the necessary regulatory approvals are received and the sale closes, the White Cloud operation will become a branch of Independent Bank West Michigan.

The purchase price was not disclosed. At this time, it is not known what effect, if any, the sale will have on employment at the White Cloud banking office or at the main office of either bank.

Independent Bank West Michigan's main office is in Rockford, Mich. The Peoples State Bank's headquarters is in St. Joseph, Mich.

In addition to Independent Bank West Michigan, Independent Bank Corporation, an Ionia-based bank holding company, has two other subsidiaries: Independent Bank, Ionia, and Independent Bank South Michigan, which has its main office in Leslie, Mich. Independent Bank Corporation common stock is traded in the over-the-counter market and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol IBCP.

Pinnacle Financial Services, Inc. is a registered bank holding company. The Peoples State Bank is its principal subsidiary. Pinnacle Financial Services common stock is also traded in the over-the-counter market and is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol PNFI.

CONTACT: Loren C. Adgate of Independent Bank Corporation, 616-527-9450; or Richard L. Schanze of Pinnacle Financial Services, Inc., 616-983-6311

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#90247p0982 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company is modifying its buyer-incentive program by offering cash allowances or annual percentage rate (APR) financing on most of its 1991 cars and trucks.

The new program, which covers both 1990 and 1991 models including the new Ford Escort and Mercury Tracer, will end on Sept. 26, the company's official introduction date for 1991 models. Included in the new program are cash allowances ranging from $500 to $1,000, or low-rate financing from 4.8 to 10.9 percent from 24 to 60 months.

Not included in the program are the 1991 Mercury Capri, the 1991 Ford Explorer and 1991-model Lincolns; the buyer incentives on the 1990 models are unchanged.

"With many 1991 products already available or on their way to Ford and Lincoln-Mercury dealerships and a selective number of 1990 models still in

stock, we intend to keep our dealers competitive on all fronts in a very difficult market," said Robert L. Rewey, vice president -- Ford North American Sales Operations.

Following are details of Ford's new car and truck programs:

Ford and Mercury Car	1990 Models	1991 Models
Crown Victoria (89/90 model)	$1,000 or APR(b)	-
Grand Marquis (89/90 model)	$1,000 or APR(b)	-
Crown Victoria (91 model)	-	$750 or APR(b)
Grand Marquis (91 model)		$1,000 or APR(b)
Thunderbird/Cougar	$l,000 or APR(a)	$750 or APR(b)
Tempo/Topaz	$1,000 or APR(b)	$750 or APR(b)
Taurus/Sable	$1,000 or APR(a)	$750 or APR(b)
- Taurus SHO	$1,000 or APR(a)	$750 or APR(b)
Mustang	$1,000 or APR(b)	$500 or APR(b)
Probe	$1,000 or APR(b)	$500 or APR(b)
Escort	$1,000 or APR(b)	$500 or APR(a)
Tracer	-	$500 CC or APR(a)
Festiva	$750 or APR(b)	$500 or APR(b)

APR

	Months			
	24	36	48	60
(a)	4.8 pct.	4.8 pct.	4.8 pct.	10.9 pct.
(b)	7.9	7.9	7.9	10.9

Light Trucks	1990 Models	1991 Models
Aerostar	$600 or APR	$500 or APR
Econoline/Club Wagon	$1,000 or APR	$500 or APR
Bronco	$1,500 or APR	$500 or APR
Bronco II	$1,500 or APR	-
Ranger	$1,000 or APR	$l,000 or APR
F-Series - Automatic trans.	$600 or APR	$500 or APR
- Manual trans.	$600 or APR	- - - - -

APR

	Months			
	24	36	48	60
	7.9 pct.	7.9 pct.	7.9 pct.	10.9 pct.

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WILSON, NC (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - BB&T Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: BBTF) has completed its acquisition of First Federal Savings Bank of Pitt County and its five offices located in Greenville, Ayden, Farmville, and Grifton.

Under the terms of an agreement announced Oct. 23, 1989, BB&T Financial Corporation has issued 1.75 shares of its common stock for each outstanding share of First Federal common stock. BB&T issued 679,875 shares and now has approximately 21,465,000 shares of common stock outstanding. As of June 30, First Federal Savings Bank of Pitt County had total assets of more than $138 million.

The Pitt County acquisition, effective Sept. 1, marks the second time BB&T Financial Corporation has acquired a healthy thrift institution. Earlier this month, BB&T completed the acquisition of Carolina Bancorp Inc. and its subsidiary, First Federal of the Carolinas, F.A. On Aug. 20, the four offices of that thrift opened for business as BB&T Federal Savings Bank of High Point.

Current plans call for First Federal Savings Bank of Pitt County to change its name to BB&T Federal Savings Bank of Pitt County later this year.

"This acquisition will enhance our efforts to provide high-quality service to more customers in the dynamic Pitt County area," John A. Allison, chairman and chief executive officer of BB&T Financial Corporation, said. "First Federal's customers will be served by the same fine employees and receive the same quality service as always. Now, they also will have access to an expanded line of products and services through BB&T."

Burney S. Warren III, president and chief executive officer of First Federal Savings Bank of Pitt County, said joining BB&T Financial Corporation is a good move for everyone associated with the Greenville-based thrift.

"BB&T shares our commitment to putting the customer first," he said. "Our employees have gained a number of exciting new opportunities and our shareholders have acquired stock in a company with a bright future."

BB&T Financial Corporation is the parent company of Branch Banking and Trust Company, the oldest bank in North Carolina and the state's fourth largest; BB&T of South Carolina with 15 offices in the Palmetto State; and BB&T Federal Savings Bank of High Point. Through its subsidiaries, BB&T Financial Corporation now operates 200 offices in 110 cities and towns in North and South Carolina and has assets in excess of $5.2 billion.

The Wilson-based corporation also has announced agreements to acquire three other healthy thrift organizations: Albemarle Savings & Loan Association, Elizabeth City; Gate City Federal Savings and Loan Association, Greensboro; and Home Savings and Loan Association, Durham.

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RALEIGH, NC (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Texfi Industries, Inc. (NYSE: TXF) today reported results for the third quarter -- the 17th consecutive profitable quarter -- and the first nine months of fiscal 1990.

Sales increased 24 percent to $73,084,000 for the three months ended Aug. 3, 1990, compared to sales of $58,843,000 for the same quarter of 1989. Operating income was down 9 percent to $4,937,000 from $5,417,000 due primarily to weakness in sales yarn and continued startup costs in the relocation of narrow elastic manufacturing facilities from New England to North Carolina. While this quarter's market was difficult, earnings from finished and greige woven fabric sales were approximately equal to last year's third-quarter results. The fleece wear and jersey T-shirt apparel operations accounted for 28 percent of the operating income for the quarter compared to a small loss for the quarter a year ago. A 91 percent increase in interest expense and taxes reduced operating income of $4,937,000 to net income of $1,544,000, or $.09 per common share. This compares with operating income of $5,417,000 and net income of $3,631,000, or $.36 per common share, for the third quarter of 1989. Additionally, earnings per common share during the third quarter of 1990 were adversely affected by the early retirement of approximately 33 percent of the company's preferred stock.

For the nine-month period ended Aug. 3, 1990, net income was $4,645,000, compared to net income of $9,624,000 during the comparable period in the prior year. Net sales for the three quarters were $195,674,000, an increase of 17 percent from net sales of $166,610,000 compared to 1989. Earnings per common share were $.28 for the nine- month period vs. $.92 per common share a year ago.

Texfi Industries, Inc. is in the business of manufacturing and marketing various textile and apparel products. Texfi's common stock, preferred stock, and convertible debentures are traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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LUND, SWEDEN (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Gambro AB (NASDAQ: GAMBY) today announced that it had acquired the Italian dialysis solution company, Farma SIAP SpA in Pescara, for approximately SEK 20 million or US$3.4

million (Note).

This is the second time in recent years that Gambro has acquired an Italian dialysis solution company. In 1988, Biosol SpA in Bologna was acquired, a company producing solutions with applications in such various forms of dialysis as hemofiltration, hemodiafiltration, biofiltration and peritoneal dialysis.

The increasing demand experienced for dialysis solutions in the Italian market means that Biosol will reach its maximum production capacity as early as 1991. The acquisition of Farma SIAP doubles Gambro's production capacity in this important field.

Gambro's sales of dialysis solutions to customers is estimated to reach approximately SEK 70 million or US$12.1 million during the current year. Within three years, the group expects its sales of this product to have increased to SEK 220 million or US$38 million.

(Note) -- Translation rate is approximately SEK 5.8 to US $1.

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RALEIGH, NC (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - An Amoco Oil Co. marketing executive told North Carolina state legislators today that his company "has wholeheartedly accepted President Bush's request of all U.S. petroleum companies to show extra prudence and restraint in pricing."

From June 1 to late last week crude oil prices increased more than 20 cents per gallon, "while Amoco's wholesale product prices increased only about 10 cents per gallon nationwide and in North Carolina," John C. Bergman, Amoco's vice president marketing operations - East Zone, said in a statement before the Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations of the North Carolina General Assembly.

According to Bergman, upward pressure on crude oil prices actually began early in the summer -- well before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait -- based on the decision by OPEC to lower production quotas. "During this time, Amoco's wholesale gasoline prices in North Carolina actually decreased an average of 4.5 cents per gallon," he said.

Since the invasion, he noted, even though wholesale gasoline prices have increased, they still lag behind the increases in crude prices.

"We are continually charged with making an unjustified profit on crude oil

that was pumped out of the ground and paid for some 45 days ago -- the approximate time it takes for a tanker to reach the United States," Bergman said. "This might sound logical, but it doesn't square with the facts. The truth is, there is really no such thing as old oil any more."

He pointed out that 80 percent of the world's crude oil is priced on delivery according to a formula based on spot market prices. "When we contract for a cargo of crude oil, the price is usually not set until it's delivered to one of our refineries."

Bergman said that recent one-day downward price fluctuations in the crude oil futures market do not guarantee quick price drops at the retail level. "We are dealing with more than one market here, and crude oil and retail gasoline markets are distinctly different.

"Other components that must be figured into the price of retail gasoline are supply and demand, quality, environmental costs, and competition. Rest assured that over time, however, if crude prices fall, gasoline prices will reflect the decline."

Bergman pledged that Amoco will continue to price products fairly. To demonstrate its commitment, the company froze wholesale prices from the period of Aug. 9 through Aug. 15. He said that Amoco will not make a practice of pricing below the market.

"Pricing below the market can cause a run on supplies. Above all else, we want to avoid such a situation, which is harmful to Amoco, our dealers and jobbers, and our customers."

Amoco Oil Co. is the petroleum refining, transportation, and marketing subsidiary of Chicago-based Amoco Corp. North Carolina's third-largest marketer, Amoco has 685 branded stations in the state.

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JACKSON, MI (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Due to refunds received from natural gas pipeline suppliers, Consumers Power Company is refunding to customers approximately $29.5 million, including interest, based on 1987 gas consumption. At the same time, the utility is billing gas customers $11.7 million, including interest, due to an underrecovery of actual gas costs for 1988.

The utility's typical residential gas customer who has received service since 1987 will receive a net credit of approximately $11.60 as the result

of the adjustments. A typical residential customer consumes approximately 130,000 cubic feet of gas per year.

"This adjustment further reduces gas costs for our customers who already pay rates among the lowest in the nation," said Michael G. Morris, the utility's executive vice president of natural gas and marketing. A recent American Gas Association (AGA) study showed that Consumers Power's rate for a typical residential gas customer was lower than that charged by 81 percent of the nation's gas utilities.

"Stable rates for customers will continue due to unique long-term contracts Consumers Power has negotiated with gas suppliers," Morris said.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties. It is the nation's sixth-largest gas distribution utility serving 215 cities and villages including suburban Detroit, Bay City, Flint, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Lansing, Pontiac and Saginaw in 40 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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GREENSBURG, PA. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Sulcus Computer Corp. (NASDAQ: SULC) today clarified the terms of its proposed acquisition of Lodgistix Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: LDGX).

Seven shares of Lodgistix common stock will be exchanged for one unit of Sulcus (SULCU), which consists of two shares of Sulcus common stock and two stock purchase warrants.

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FARNBOROUGH, ENGLAND (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) is bullish on the future of its military helicopters.

Prospects for the company's military helicopters -- the AH-64 Apache and the MD 500 Defender series -- are "very promising," said Tom Gunn, president of McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co.

Additionally, the McDonnell Douglas/Bell Helicopter Textron SuperTeam

reached a major milestone last week on the U.S. Army's Light Helicopter program when it submitted its proposal for the next phase of the program.

"Military helicopter sales have been the bedrock of company revenues since we first produced nearly 1,500 OH-6A scout helicopters for the Army during the Vietnam conflict in the late 1960s," Gunn said.

"We expect our leadership in the defense industry to remain strong -- even in light of reduced military spending -- while we simultaneously place more emphasis on our commercial products," he added.

Gunn said the helicopter company's reorganization following financial losses in 1989 is enabling McDonnell Douglas to build a team that will be more responsive to customer needs and shifts in the market place.

Gunn recently named Ervin J. Hunter as the new vice president of the company's AH-64 division and boosted its MD 500 program to full division status. Al Haggerty is the vice president and general manager of the LH program. The company is reviewing candidates for general manager of the MD 500 program to replace former general manager Frank Palminteri, who has been named general manager of the company's California Manufacturing Center.

Apache: the world's best
In military markets for attack helicopters, the AH-64 Apache remains a top contender.

Worldwide, the potential Apache market exceeds 500 aircraft, said Max Wiley, director of international business development for McDonnell Douglas Helicopter.

"Western European, Asian and Middle Eastern nations with modern armies are committed to a balance in the military equation throughout the world," said Wiley.

"To maintain a strong defense in today's climate of reduced military spending, there very likely will be trade-offs of heavily armored, forward-based forces in favor of more mobile forces and flexible firepower " he said.

The Apache has multi-mission flexibility -- for reconnaissance, escort, anti-personnel, surveillance and anti-armor -- all with a useful payload of approximately 6,000 pounds of fuel and ordnance, Wiley added.

The Apache can carry that payload in addition to its mission equipment package of pilot navigation and long-range targeting systems, day TV, direct-view optic sight, laser designator/range finder and laser-spot tracker.

To date, more than 600 Apaches have been delivered to the Army. Production of U.S. Army helicopters, now at six aircraft a month, is expected to run through fall 1993.

The milestone 600th Apache was delivered to the Army in a special ceremony at the helicopter company's Mesa, Ariz., headquarters on Aug. 14.

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NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Entergy Corp.'s (NYSE: ETR) board of directors acted on Aug. 31 to increase the company's stock repurchase program by $135 million, according to Jerry D. Jackson, Entergy Corp. executive vice president of finance and external affairs.

Amounts previously authorized by Entergy's board for the acquisition of common shares had been expended.

Under the program, instituted in November 1989, Entergy has repurchased over 13.8 million shares of its common stock at a total cost of nearly $275 million. These repurchases have reduced the number of shares outstanding to approximately 190.8 million.

Repurchases are made from time to time depending upon favorable market conditions and there is no assurance as to the actual amount of repurchases that will occur under the program.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Asiana Airlines of Korea announced major equipment commitments for the future, selecting four types of Boeing airliners to serve its growing route system over the next decade, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group confirmed today.

The announcement includes firm orders for 27 aircraft and options for 24 more. Total value of the 51 aircraft is almost $6 billion (in delivery year dollars), of which about $3 billion is firm. The order includes:

747-400 Passenger/Combi	6 firm	6 options
747-400 Freighter	3	3
767-300	10	8

737-400	8	7
TOTAL	27 firm	24 options

Asiana Chairman I. S. Hwang and Boeing Commercial Airplane Group President Dean Thornton signed the order agreement at the biennial Farnborough International Air Show. Thornton expressed his appreciation to Asiana for their confidence in Boeing and for their commitment to become one of the largest all-Boeing fleet operators in the world.

The carrier holds previously announced orders (valued at about $1 billion) for two 767-300s to be delivered in October this year; two 747-400s with first delivery in late 1991 and five 737-400s with options for an additional five 737-400s.

Asiana presently operates a fleet of 10 737-400s and two 737-500s, all under lease. When all orders and options announced are exercised, the carrier's purchases from Boeing will total 65 jetliners.

"The growth of this airline, which has been in service less than two years is the result of Asiana's dedication, determination and professional approach," Thornton said. "We look forward to working closely with them in introducing the 767 and the 747 into their fleet in the coming months.

"I am confident they will be as successful with these larger aircraft as they have been with the 737," Thornton said. Asiana has recorded a 99.82 percent dispatch reliability rate during the past year, ranking it among the leaders of all carriers operating the 737-400.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthco International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLCO) and Hicks, Muse & Co., Incorporated jointly announced today that Healthco and Hicks Muse had entered into a definitive agreement providing for a merger of Healthco with HMD Acquisition Corporation, an affiliate of Hicks Muse and Ray C. Davis, at a per share price of $19.25 in cash with a total transaction value of approximately $250 million. Davis is a former senior executive with Colt Industries.

In making the announcement, M. Myer Cyker, chairman and chief executive officer of Healthco, stated: "Healthco's board and management have worked long and hard over the past several months to protect and enhance the value of our stockholders' investment in Healthco. Following a diligent and intensive effort, the board has accomplished its stated goal of maximizing the value of our stockholders' investment in Healthco: we have

obtained for our stockholders an extremely favorable transaction with a first-class organization. We strongly believe that the transaction with Hicks Muse will significantly benefit Healthco's future growth and development, will provide greater opportunities for its employees and will help Healthco better serve its thousands of loyal customers. We were attracted to Hicks Muse because of their record in building companies for the long term and to take advantage of the opportunities a combination with them presented."

"Hicks Muse is a quality organization for which we have the greatest respect and has an unblemished record of successfully completing acquisitions. We are confident that they will continue their record in Healthco's case, and are excited at the prospect of working with them to that end and in the future."

The transaction is currently expected to be effected by means of a cash merger between Healthco and HMD Acquisition, although Hicks Muse may at its option proceed by way of a cash tender offer and second-step merger. The agreement is subject to financing and the approval of Healthco's stockholders. The transaction is expected to close in late fall.

"Healthco is an attractive opportunity because it is the leading provider of products and services in its market niche, the dental profession," according to Thomas O. Hicks, chairman and chief executive officer of Hicks Muse. "We see an excellent opportunity to combine the strong operating leadership of Ray Davis with the knowledge and vision of the Healthco management group led by Myer Cyker. We look forward to building on the Healthco market position to profitably expand its market presence worldwide."

Healthco International, Inc. is a major provider of supplies, equipment and services to dentists and institutional providers of dental care, including dental schools and dental laboratories. Healthco currently has operations in the United States, Canada and Western Europe. In 1989, Healthco had revenues of approximately $437 million.

Hicks Muse & Co. is a Dallas-based investment firm. The firm's partners are Thomas O. Hicks, John R. Muse and Jack D. Furst. The principals of Hicks Muse have completed approximately $6 billion of acquisition transactions since 1984. During 1990, Hicks Muse has completed two acquisitions; the purchase of seven life insurance companies through Life Partners Group, Inc. for $530 million in March and the purchase of Neodata Services from The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation and TMI Corporation in a combined transaction for $106 million in August.

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TROY, MI (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Arbor Drugs, Inc. (NASDAQ: ARBR), has declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.04 a share, payable Oct. 2, 1990, to holders of record as of Sept. 18, 1990.

On an annualized basis, Arbor's dividend rate is currently $0.16 a share.

Arbor Drugs, the nation's 23rd largest drugstore chain, operates 100 stores in Michigan.

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#90247p1008 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Oversight Board announced today the appointment of several key staff positions. Effective immediately, Kenneth Bacon will serve as director of policy, Donald Billings as director of financial analysis, Ralph Gill as director of oversight and evaluation, Larry Hicks as director of management and Jonathan Petuchowski as special assistant to the president.

As director of policy, Bacon will plan and direct the development and analysis of Oversight Board policies and their implementation by the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC).

Before joining the Oversight Board, Bacon was vice president of structured finance at New York-based Morgan Stanley & Company since 1987. From 1982 to 1987, Bacon held several key positions with Kidder, Peabody & Company in New York in the asset finance and public finance areas.

Billings will serve as director of financial analysis. He came to the Oversight Board from the board of governors of the Federal Reserve System in Washington, where he was a supervisory financial analyst for the multinational section since 1984.

Prior to working for the Federal Reserve Board in Washington, Billings spent more than two years as an examiner for the international unit in the Los Angeles office of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. Billings was an associate with Durham Associates, a San Francisco consulting firm, from 1980 to 1981.

Prior to working for the Oversight Board, Gill was vice president for mergers and acquisitions at Wardley Incorporated, an investment bank in New York. From 1987 to 1989, Gill served as assistant vice president in

the corporate finance department at the investment bank of Wood Gundy Inc. in New York.

Before joining Wood Gundy Inc., Gill practiced law with the real estate group at the law firm of Sullivan & Cromwell in New York, where he was involved in the sale of real estate assets and mortgage-backed securities. From 1980 to 1982, Gill was an analyst in the mergers and acquisitions department of New York-based Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc.

As director of management, Hicks will serve as the Oversight Board's chief administrative officer, responsible for personnel, business services and financial and information resource management.

Hicks most recently served as director of personnel resources for the Department of Treasury in Washington since 1986. From 1984 to 1986, Hicks was a personnel officer for the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. For seven years, Hicks served as a personnel specialist and supervisor for various federal agencies.

Petuchowski will serve as special assistant to Oversight Board President Monroe. Since 1987, Petuchowski was a corporate attorney with the New York firm of Stroock & Stroock & Lavan, where he specialized in mortgage-backed securities. From 1980 to 1984, Petuchowski was a portfolio manager for Bankers Trust Company in New York.

The Oversight Board formulates the policy, approves the funding and provides the general oversight of the Resolution Trust Corporation, the agency responsible for resolving the nation's failed thrifts.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - British Airways salutes the Battle of Britain, a turning point for the Allies in its battle for freedom during World War II. The battle, which occurred 50 years ago, is celebrated as the greatest air battle in history.

Commemorating this heroic fight for liberty, two events are scheduled to permit Americans and British ex-patriates alike to glimpse this momentous period when British citizens and pilots together demonstrated their indomitable spirit and determination. The synergy exhibited then was indeed the catalyst that helped them win this critical battle of World War II. James Stewart, distinguished actor and retired U.S. brigadier general will serve as honorary chairman for both programs.

The first function is the Battle of Britain Hangar Dance being held at the Museum of Flight at Santa Monica Airport on Sept. 8. Scheduled from 8 p.m. to midnight at a cost of $25 per person, this unusual gathering re-creates the popular NAFFI dances of World War II. Hangar appointments include a World War II Spitfire, Morgan automobiles, airfield sand bags and a multitude of parachutes. Celebrities are expected and everyone will dance to swing bands, the ever-popular music of the era. British Airways is offering a trip for two to London as a door prize.

The Battle of Britain Black Tie Ball on Oct. 6 is the second fete planned to honor the 50th year of this renowned battle. A formal evening in the perfect setting of the Grand Salon at the Queen Mary in Long Beach will transport attendees to a time when honor, patriotism and the fight for freedom permeated the very air. Dancing and dinner is priced at $100 per person.

Proceeds raised at both affairs go to benefit the Royal Air Force (RAF) Benevolent Fund. Comparable to the U.S. government-sponsored Veteran Administration, the RAF Benevolent Fund finances shelter, medical treatment and educational scholarships for present and past members of the RAF. Other recipients of these benefits include members of the Women's Services, the Royal Auxiliary Air Force, the Royal Air Force Auxiliary Air Force and the Royal Air Force Reserves. Widows, children and other dependents of members of the aforementioned organizations also receive assistance.

British Airways pays tribute to the 50th Anniversary of the Battle of Britain in honor of its British Heritage. "We at British Airways are proud to pay homage to the Battle of Britain, one of history's finest moments. We are honored to support an occasion that is representative of our country's spirit and devotion to liberty."

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LYNN, MA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - GE (USA) (a) Aircraft Engines has appointed DLT A.E.R.O. Services GmbH as an authorized CF34 repair and overhaul facility.

The DLT A.E.R.O. Services' shop in Alzey, Germany, about 50 km SW of Frankfurt, will expand its current capabilities to support the entry of GE's CF34 turbofan engine into airline service powering the Canadair Regional Jet. The CF34-powered Regional Jet (RJ) is expected to enter European service in 1992.

Wolfgang Hergesell, chief executive of DLT A.E.R.O. Services, said, "The addition of the CF34 to our facility is part of our long-term plan to become a major shop supporting the expanding regional airline business in Europe. The major shareholder of our 100 percent mother company DLT Airlines (Deutsche Luftverkehrgesekkschaft) is Lufthansa. Lufthansa and GE have had a long and successful engine shop relationship for large engines in Hamburg, so our partnership with GE on the CF34 becomes more obvious as our mother company, DLT Airlines, prepares to acquire a large fleet of CF34-powered Canadair RJs."

Theo Hilger, chief executive of DLT A.E.R.O. Services, added that the final go-ahead of the shop extension is subject to final approval by DLT A.E.R.O. Services' supervisory board and Lufthansa's supervisory board approval of the Canadair Regional Jet purchase; both are expected in the near future.

The new CF34 facility is part of GE's product support plan to strategically locate repair and overhaul facilities consistent with the expansion of its markets around the world. The current major maintenance shop is GE's Aircraft Engine Maintenance Center at Strother Field in Arkansas City, Kan.

DLT A.E.R.O. Services GmbH was founded in 1987 to maintain DLT Airlines PWC 100 series engines powering their Fokker 50 and Embraer 120 fleet. Since then, DLT A.E.R.O. has obtained long term contracts with major regional aircraft operators for overhaul and repair of the engines installed in the Fokker 50, Embraer 120, Boeing/De Havilland-8, and the ATR 42 aircraft.

Beginning in October, DLT A.E.R.O. will also take care of Lufthansa's and other customers APU PWC 901 A on the Boeing 747-400 aircraft. DLT A.E.R.O. Services in Alzey presently has a workshop floor space of 43,000 square feet plus offices.

This shop is new and modernly equipped with cleaning and crack detection, balancing, all assembly/disassembly tools and fixtures, up-to-date measuring equipment, three dimensional computerized measuring machines, painting, blasting, machine shop and parts repair facilities. The shop is also equipped with a fully computerized engine test stand which can take turboshaft engines, APU's and jet engines up to 24,000 pounds of thrust. The facility is situated on property which will accomodate a fourfold shop expansion as business grows.

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DUBLIN, IRELAND (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of CRH plc, the international building materials group, today reported profits of

32,131,000 Irish pounds before tax, for the six months ended June 30, 1990 compared with 27,184,000 pounds in the corresponding period last year. Basic earnings per share amounted to 8.86p as against 7.35p in 1989, an increase of 21 percent. Fully diluted earnings per share amounted to 8.80p, an increase of 22 percent.

The results reflect a further strong improvement in operating profits in Ireland and Mainland Europe and very modest increases in the United States and the United Kingdom, both helped by acquisitions.

The board has decided to pay an interim dividend of 2.00p per share on the ordinary and income capital of the company in respect of the year ending Dec. 31, 1990. The dividend of 2.00p compares with an interim dividend of 1.75p for 1989, an increase of 14.3 percent. Dividend warrants will be posted on Oct. 5, 1990, in respect of ordinary shares and on Oct. 9, 1990, in respect of income shares, to shareholders registered at the close of business on Sept. 20, 1990.

In Ireland, the recovery in construction activity experienced in 1989 continued. The company's cement sales volumes on the home market showed a good advance over the same period last year, while volumes of some of its other construction materials registered stronger increases. Exports decreased, mainly due to the cessation of low-margin clinker exports to Britain.

Premier Periclase's seawater magnesia sales volumes were similar to 1989 levels. However, sales mix and currency effects had an adverse impact on average prices with the result that profits were lower.

The T.B.F. Thompson group benefited from strong demand in northern Ireland and a good performance from their stone importing and blacktop operations in the South of England.

In Britain, the continuing decline in housing activity has had an increasingly depressing effect on the company's Keyline merchanting operations, most particularly in the south east of England. Forticrete enjoyed a relatively good demand for its masonry block and slate products in the first quarter and, despite deteriorating demand since then, turned in a good performance against a difficult background. Anchor Tile also experienced difficult markets although demand for its specialized roofing products was helped as a result of severe storms experienced earlier in the year.

In the United States, activity in the pacific states continued strongly while the mountain states registered a slight improvement on depressed 1989 levels. While CRH markets in the southern states generally remained weak, the newly acquired Betco Block and Goria Enterprises enjoyed good demand for their concrete masonry and paving products. In the northeast,

Callanan traded at a similar level to 1989. The reduction in related company losses mainly reflects an improved performance from Pike Industries in New England.

In the Netherlands, all operations reported improved trading. The Van Neerbos Gamma division was again outstanding. In Spain, although high interest rates are affecting the residential construction sector, activity in the commercial, industrial and infrastructural sectors in the company's markets continues to be strong and the Catalan Concrete Group reported good progress.

The debt ratio of 24.9 percent reflected both seasonal working capital requirements and the issue of convertible capital bonds in March 1990. Expenditure on acquisitions, investments and capital projects in the first six months of 1990 amounted to 114.7 million pounds.

Since June 30, the downturn in U.K. construction activity has intensified and a slowing in demand in the agricultural sector is likely to impact on the rate of volume growth in Ireland. In addition recent events in the Middle East have further clouded the international economic outlook. Nevertheless, the company's strategy of geographic, sectoral and product balance should ensure that the full year results show an improvement on a record 1989.

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#90247p1016 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - As the first major airline subsidiary to consolidate under one operating certificate, Continental Express announced today the operational integration of its regional partners.

Although other major airlines have various marketing agreements and code-sharing arrangements with regional airlines, Continental is the first to consolidate its owned partners into one operating entity. The airline pursued this course to realize the benefits of standardization and the associated operational and financial efficiencies. These efficiencies translate into more reliable and economical operations. Continental Express remains a subsidiary of Continental Airlines, with the primary mission of providing connecting traffic through Continental's hubs at Cleveland, Denver, Houston, and New York/Newark.

Stephen J. Kolski, president of Continental Airlines' Commuter Division, said, "With our integration complete, we have transitioned from operational consolidation to operational excellence. Continental Express is committed to serving our customers with state- of-the-art aircraft,

on-time performance, outstanding customer service, and convenient connecting schedules to all parts of the world via Continental Airlines."

As a result of integration, Continental Express realizes significant cost savings through the establishment of a technically advanced operations center located in Houston. This center was originated by Continental Express as the "nerve center" of its domestic and international flight system. All operating functions, including aircraft system control, management of technical manuals, crew scheduling, crew training, maintenance control, quality control, and record keeping are performed in one facility. Previously, the carrier had three operating facilities in separate regions of the country.

With the consolidation, Continental Express has achieved greater flexibility and reliability with its fleet of 102 state-of-the-art turboprop aircraft. For example, aircraft can now be transported to any region throughout the system to meet fluctuations in demand. Continental Express can readily remove capacity from the Western Region's Denver hub after ski season, and reallocate seats to the Cape Cod operation during summer months.

Integration also benefits the airline's customers, as Continental Express utilizes its modern 46-passenger Aerospatile/Aeritalia ATR-42, and 30-passenger Embraer 120 Brasilia to provide greater frequency of comfortable service to many Continental cities.

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#90247p1018 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Futuristic Innovations Inc. (OTC "Pink Sheets") today announced that it had executed a letter of intent for a reverse merger with Asia Pacific Communications Corp. (APC). APC is a publishing and communications company which provides strategic business information about the Asia Pacific region to English language users in North America, Europe and Asia.

APC, through its affiliate, Asia Pacific Communications Inc., currently publishes Venture Japan, a business journal similar to the Harvard Business Review which covers topics relating to Japan and its international investment and trading partners. APC also produces investment directories, newsletters and "white papers" which are focused on individual countries and industries within the Asia Pacific region.

In an independent transaction, APC previously signed a letter of intent with Billion Publishing Ltd. (BPL), a Hong Kong company, to amalgamate BPL with APC. BPL has been the publisher of Billion magazine,

a business publication that provides business data and feature stories on leading companies and individual entrepreneurs who are shaping the "Pacific Century."

James Borton, editor and publisher of Venture Japan, believes that the acquisition of Billion would help APC achieve a critical mass of subscribers, advertisers and sources of information which should assist the company to reach its goal of becoming a leading provider of strategic information about the Asia Pacific area for the English-speaking world.

John W. Allen, chairman of APC, and Peter Moix, president of Futuristic, believe that the company, which will utilize the name Asia Pacific Communications Corp., will become a highly regarded and profitable communications link between countries in the Asia Pacific region and their North American and European counterparts.

Peter Yip, president of Info Pacific Ltd., a Hong Kong-based investment bank, initiated and assisted in the various transactions.

The letters of intent referenced above are subject to final agreement and approval by the boards of directors of the respective organizations.

CONTACT: John W. Allen, chairman of Asia Pacific Communications, 201-843-4733

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#90247p1020 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARNBOROUGH, ENGLAND (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The success of McDonnell Douglas' (NYSE: MD) commercial helicopter programs continues as certification nears for the company's newest aircraft, the MDJ520N/530N, each of which uses the revolutionary NOTAR(tm) system for anti-torque and directional control.

With U.S. military budgets decreasing, a strong commercial marketplace worldwide is important to McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co., according to Max Wiley, director of international business development for the Mesa, Ariz., manufacturer.

"We are well positioned to take advantage of this growth in the commercial market," Wiley said, "because we have invested heavily over the past few years in developing new products, such as MDX and our MD 520N and MD 530N helicopters.

"Our goal is to have a 50-50 mix of military and commercial helicopter sales by the year 2000."

Progress on McDonnell Douglas Helicopter's new MDX helicopter, an eight-place, twin-engine aircraft that will fly first in 1992, is continuing.

The company recently completed 1/25th scale model wind tunnel tests at Texas A & M University that verified all anticipated performance data.

The MDX, which also uses the NOTAR system, will include participation of several international partners. These include Hawker de Havilland of Australia, which is building the airframe; Kawasaki Heavy Industries of Japan, which is manufacturing the transmission; and two engine suppliers, Pratt & Whitney of Canada and Turbomeca of France.

Certificates of interest have been received for approximately 280 MDX aircraft.

Flight testing of the MD 520N/530N continues to verify the company's enthusiasm for the NOTAR system, according to program manager Jim Van Horn.

With more than 50 flight hours on the two aircraft in the test/certification program, "performance data for fuel consumption and power requirements are very encouraging," he said.

A third NOTAR system-equipped aircraft joined the test program in late August. The MD 530N is scheduled to perform daily at the Farnborough Air Show.

CONTACT: Ken Jensen of McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Company, 602-891-2119

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#90247p1021 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

BATTLE CREEK, MI (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Kellogg Company (NYSE: K) today announced three executive promotions:

Donald W. Thomason to executive vice president - technology and employee services;

Jay W. Shreiner to vice president - corporate information technology; and

Michael J. Teale to executive vice president - operations, U.S. Food Products Division (U.S.F.P.D.). Teale also will continue as corporate vice president.

"These appointments further strengthen our management team and better position our organization to meet the challenges we face in the marketplace and to take greater advantage of the growth opportunities that

lie ahead," said William E. LaMothe, Kellogg Company chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

Thomason has served as corporate vice president and executive vice president, U.S.F.P.D., since January of 1989. He joined Kellogg as a student summer employee during 1963 at the Memphis, Tenn., cereal production facility. He has held many positions in plant and executive management.

Shreiner has served as vice president - financial planning and analysis since August of 1989. He previously was vice president and treasurer. He joined the company in March 1983 as assistant treasurer.

Teale has served as vice president - corporate technology since July 1989, and has had the additional responsibility of senior vice president - manufacturing and technology, U.S.F.P.D., since January of 1990. He joined Kellogg Company of Great Britain in 1966 at the Manchester cereal production facility.

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#90247p1026 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

GERMANTOWN, MD (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Microlog Corporation (NASDAQ: MLOG) reported a net income of $4,366 or $.00 per share, on revenues of $3,766,394 for its third fiscal quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $475,150, or $.20 per share, on revenues of $4,498,693 in last year's comparable quarter.

The results of the nine months ended July 31, 1990 are a net income of $88,768, or $.03 per share, compared to a net income of $137,741, or $.06 per share, for the prior comparable period.

"While the current quarter's voice processing segment bookings improved over the second quarter, we are less optimistic about meeting our original plan for the full fiscal year," commented J.G. Hartwell, chairman and chief executive officer. "Sales through our distributors have been particularly disappointing. However, we are working to improve this situation," concluded Hartwell.

MICROLOG CORPORATION
Operating Results

	Third Quarter Ended July 31	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$3,766,394	$4,498,693
Net Income	4,366	475,150

Earnings Per Share	$ .00	$ .20
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	3,462,929	2,407,364

	Nine Months Ended July 31	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$11,321,016	$9,787,782
Net Income	88,768	137,741
Earnings Per Share	$ .03	$ .06
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	3,286,807	2,407,364

CONTACT: Ray Jicka, Investor Relations, Microlog Corporation, 301-356-8815

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#90247p1027 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Kinark Corporation (AMEX: KIN) announced today that the agreement to sell the Camelot Hotels in Tulsa and Little Rock, Ark., for $12 million was terminated. The buyer, Wilmae, Inc., breached terms of the agreement resulting in forfeiture of a $50,000 deposit. Paul Chastain, co-chief executive officer of Kinark, said the company intends to continue its efforts to sell the hotels.

Chastain said, "We are re-evaluating the hotel investment and additional holding costs in light of this development, and expect to recognize any financial impact in the third quarter ending September 30." In earlier releases, the company had reported that Wilmae was encountering delays in closing the transaction. Kinark Corporation, with corporate headquarters in Tulsa, operates chemical facilities in Chicago and Montgomery, Ala., and supports industrial/commercial construction and metals corrosion protection with galvanizing plants in Denver; Louisville, Ky.; Nashville, Tenn.; St. Louis; Houston and Hurst, Texas.

CONTACT: Paul R. Chastain, co-CEO of Kinark, 918-494-0964

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#90247p1028 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, IL. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The L. E. Myers Co. Group (NYSE: MYR) today announced that its board of directors authorized the purchase of up to 250,000 shares of its common stock, or 10.3 percent of its shares outstanding.

The company stated that the purpose of the share repurchase program is to acquire shares for future issuance to key employees upon their exercise of stock options under the company's stock option plans. The shares may be purchased from time to time in open market transactions or negotiated transactions. The purchases will be financed from internally generated

cash flow.

Myers specializes in overhead and underground outdoor electrical construction. This includes construction and maintenance of transmission lines, distribution systems, substations, outdoor lighting and signal control systems for public investor owned electric utilities, heavy industry and government facilities.

CONTACT: Charles M. Brennan of L.E. Myers, 708-990-4666

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#90247p1029 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Beginning today, Sept. 4, Wells Fargo is launching a three-phase program to eliminate smoking from all of its buildings and branches in California. It is the first bank in California to do so.

"Project Smoke-Free" is a result of an employee task force formed two years ago to review the bank's initial 1984 smoking policy that allowed smoking only in designated areas. The task force was formed from various line groups within the bank.

"Smoking in the workplace has been one of the most discussed employee issues at Wells Fargo for years," said Steve Enna, executive vice president of Wells Fargo's personnel division. "This issue generates more letters to our confidential opinion program than any other topic in the company."

Starting today, the cigarette vending machines at Wells Fargo will disappear. In November, smoking will be permitted only in designated smoking rooms and lounges. By April 1, 1991, smoking will not be permitted within any Wells Fargo building, period.

The three-stage program was announced to employees early in August. So far according to Enna, overall reaction has been very positive. "Smokers and non-smokers alike recognize the health issues surrounding smoking and the effects of secondhand smoke," said Enna. "They understand that we are doing this from a health and wellness standpoint and in response to overwhelming employee demand."

The bank is providing resources to help smokers adjust gradually to a non-smoking environment before April 1. It will sponsor American Lung Association seminars for employees beginning in September, and employees can order self-help workbooks and motivational video programs through the bank's work/family resource center.

Smokers are not required to quit smoking, but as of next April they will

have to go outside their building if they want to indulge. "Employees can use their breaks or lunchtime to smoke," said Enna. "We've actually heard from a number of employees who are hoping this program will be incentive to help them quit, once and for all."

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#90247p1034 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - ENSERCH Corp.'s (NYSE: ENS) board of directors today declared quarterly dividends on the corporation's preferred stock issues as follows:

	Amount Per Share	Record Date	Payable
Adjustable Rate Series D	$1.10	Oct. 12, 1990	Nov. 1, 1990
Depositary Preferred Shares, Series E(A)	$1.925	Oct. 12, 1990	Nov. 1, 1990 (A) Each Depositary Preferred Share represents 1/10 on one share of the corporation's Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series E.

ENSERCH Corp. is a diversified energy, engineering and construction company.

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#90247p1035 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA, (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Shell Canada Ltd. (Montreal, Vancouver, Toronto: SHC) will join with other private sector organizations this month to help lead the Canadian national fight against illiteracy.

Shell will sponsor the launch of the ABCanada Foundation on Sept. 8, International Literacy Day, at Harbourfront in Toronto. Shell is also announcing a sale of children's books across Canada, beginning Sept. 17 in Western Canada and Oct. 1 in the East. Some of the proceeds will be donated to ABCanada to develop literacy programs at the community level.

The Gold Collection of Well Loved Tales comprises the 10 best- selling children's stories published by Ladybird. Shell will offer an initial book free with a gasoline purchase to nearly eight million Canadians.

Other books will be available for 99 cents throughout the duration of the sale until late December.

''The Gold Collection of Well Loved Tales fits perfectly with the aims of literacy groups to encourage reading to and teaching children to read,'' said Carmine Falcone, executive vice-president, Shell Canada Ltd. ''From the proceeds of the book sale, Shell will donate a minimum of $80,000 to the ABCanada Foundation. If the sale of books exceeds our projections, Shell's contribution to ABCanada will increase accordingly.''

Shell will join with Secretary of State Gerry Weiner and other prominent Canadian companies to officially launch the ABCanada Foundation and participate in the Toronto Celebration of Literacy on Saturday, Sept. 8. In addition, Shell will participate in select Peter Gzowski Literacy Golf Tournaments to raise funds for community literacy programs.

CONTACT: Pat Chapman of Shell Canada Ltd., Toronto, 416-443-7125

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#90247p1039 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLUE BELL, PA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - American women make up more than half the country's population and have significantly contributed to the more than $600 billion spent on health care in 1989. Yet, if recently released statistics are accurate, they receive far less than their fair share when it comes to medical services and attention.

The disparity between men and women is reflected in reports from the National Institutes of Health (NIH). In 1987, the NIH spent only 13.5 percent of its total research budget on women's health.

U.S. Healthcare (NASDAQ: USHC), one of the nation's largest health maintenance organizations (HMOs), said it has been curing what the company called inequities in the nation's medical system for many years, with the goal of improving programs that the organization offers to its own members.

According to U.S. Healthcare Chief Executive Officer Leonard Abramson, "This inequity is even more unfair when you consider the fact that women spend more on health care than men, and yet they are excluded from major medical studies and clinical trials."

For instance, research on the protective qualities of aspirin was performed on 22,071 men, and women were totally excluded from the study. As a result, if a woman asks her doctor if she should start taking "an aspirin a day" to decrease the risk of heart attack, the doctor has to be honest and say he doesn't know what the impact will be since women have never been studied.

Likewise, a recent study measuring the links between high cholesterol, lack

of exercise, smoking, and heart disease involved 12,866 men and no women. "Once again," said Abramson, "this means that there remain far too many unanswered questions when it comes to key risk factors for women when it comes to heart disease, simply because they're not included in enough clinical studies."

It's estimated that if current trends continue, in five years, there will be more American women than men who are smokers. With more women smoking, the incidence of smoking-related diseases, such as lung cancer, are rising dramatically.

Yet, once again, most research on quitting smoking has focused on men. "This is particularly alarming because according to recent health care reports, women have a tougher time quitting smoking," said Abramson.

Finally, there are many important preventive health care measures women can take, such as those to detect breast cancer. The incidence of breast cancer is rising among American women, and it's estimated that one woman in ten will eventually get this disease.

Almost a fifth of the 40,000 deaths each year due to breast cancer are preventable with the aid of a timely mammogram. Yet, according to the Centers for Disease Control, as many as nine out of ten doctors do not follow the American Cancer Society's guidelines on recommending mammograms.

CONTACT: Dava Guerin or Steve Rosen, (215) 561-6100, or (215) 635-5985, both of Weightman Public Relations for U.S. Healthcare.

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#90247p1045 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL SEGUNDO, CA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas D. Shepherd has been named vice president - international market development for Rockwell International Corporation (NYSE: ROK).

Shepherd will be responsible for corporate representation and the regional offices in Europe, the Middle East and the Far East and for coordinating business development activities in those regions as well as Canada and Latin America. He will be based at the corporation's Washington D. C. office.

Prior to this appointment, he served as Rockwell's regional director -- Europe, Middle East and Africa, a post he held since 1983.

In 1964, Shepherd joined the Collins Radio Company, acquired by Rockwell in 1973, as a telecommunications engineer. He has served in Europe and the Middle East for extensive periods and has held various engineering, marketing and management positions during his career, including that of

director of Rockwell's subsidiary in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

A native of Texas, Shepherd received a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering and a master's degree in business administration from Southern Methodist University.

Prior to joining Rockwell, he held engineering positions with Texas Instruments and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Rockwell International is a $12 billion, multi-industry company applying advance technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses.

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#90247p1047 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHIPPINGPORT, PA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Duquesne Light Co.'s Beaver Valley Power Station Unit No. 2 was removed from service Monday, Sept. 3, 1990, at 9:59 p.m. for scheduled refueling and maintenance operations, it was announced today.

The station will be out of service for about ten weeks. During this time, adequate electricity for customers will be provided by the company's other generating units.

In 1990, Beaver Valley No. 2 generated more than three billion kilowatt-hours of electricity for Duquesne Light customers. The unit has an availability factor of 97 percent for the year and set a new company record for continuous operation of 354 days.

This will be the unit's second refueling since beginning operation in 1987. The unit's last refueling was in March 1989. The refueling operation occurs about every 18 months and will involve replacement of about 40 percent of the uranium fuel in the reactor core. This fuel has the energy equivalent of about 2.6 million tons of coal.

In order to maximize the use of time that the unit will be out of service, various maintenance projects also have been scheduled. These projects include inspection and maintenance of the steam generator and reactor coolant pump, overhaul of the steam turbine, and other tests and inspections.

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#90247p1048 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Aug. 31, 1990. All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

FIXED-RATE MORTGAGE YIELDS
(30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago
Conventional			
15-Year FRM	9.75	9.90	9.84
30-Year FRM	10.08	10.23	10.08
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	9.75	10.48	10.33
10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.			
Second Mortgages	9.890	10.020	9.930

ADJUSTABLE-RATE MORTGAGE (30-year term)

Yields Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	9.05	9.20	9.55	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	9.30	9.45	9.80	2.000 pct.
1(A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	8.00	8.15	8.60	2.250 pct.
6 mos(A) (COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	8.10	8.25	8.75	2.125 pct.

(A) - Rate reduction (B) - New 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM.
Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs.

LIBOR INDEX SERIES

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
August 30, 1990	8.125	8.188	8.188	8.313
July 30, 1990	8.063	8.047	8.047	8.109

COMMITMENT AND PURCHASE VOLUMES ($Millions)

	Week Ending 8/31/90	Year to Date	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(A)	380.2	15,239.1	13,899.4
Purchases	472.0	15,264.6	12,670.2
MBS Issued	2,577.2	63,453.5	37,410.8

(A) - Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

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#90247p1052 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANATA, ONTARIO (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Newbridge Networks Corporation announced that the company's Kanata Operations today received ISO 9002 registration.

Larry Rogers, president of Quality Management Institute (QMI), a division of the Canadian Standards Association (CSA), presented the registration plaque to Newbridge Chairman Terence Matthews today at the Newbridge Operations facility in Kanata. The Canadian Standards Association ensures that domestic applicants conform to the standards set by the Geneva-based International Standards Organization.

The ISO 9002 registration is a quality standard providing companies a benchmark against which their operational policies and procedures are assessed. It is receiving increasing levels of attention as it becomes adopted by more countries around the world. ISO 9002 has become a prerequisite to doing business in many parts of Europe.

ISO 9002 certification provides Newbridge customers with the assurance that the Newbridge facilities conform with the most comprehensive quality procedures. Commenting on the award, Graham Neathaway, vice president of operations at Newbridge stated: "We are delighted to receive this recognition. Policies, procedures and a global management information system have been implemented througout our operations to ensure consistent processes for manufacturing the Newbridge product line. Our commitment to ISO 9002 certification will guarantee that the company's operations conform to the highest international quality standard."

The registration was sought to meet growing customer demand in Europe for products manufactured abroad to meet the same standards as those for products manufactured in Europe. The ISO standards were developed in large part to ensure that products being traded amongst EEC countries would meet a common standard.

Newbridge Networks is an international company which specializes in the design, manufacture and marketing of voice and data communications equipment for global networks. Offices and manufacturing facilities are located in Canada, the United States, and Europe. Newbridge Networks Corporation is a public company whose common shares are listed for trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange (NNC) in Canada and quoted for trading on the NASDAQ National Market System (NNCXF) in the United States.

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#90247p1053 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company's (NYSE: EK) Health Sciences Division has taken an equity position in Vortech Data, Inc. of Reston, Va. Vortech is a leading supplier of open architecture medical image management systems.

The two companies are establishing a strategic alliance that will include a joint technology and product development program and a joint marketing program.

"Our alliance with Vortech, a company that has demonstrated real leadership in information management, will allow us to provide systems solutions to image and information handling in the hospitals and other facilities," said Robert T. Hamilton, vice president and general manager, Health Sciences Division.

"Vortech is extremely pleased to join forces with Kodak," said Allan R. Griebenow, president and CEO of Vortech. "Kodak is clearly the recognized leader in radiology departments worldwide and we are looking forward to working with them to develop systems that will provide customers with the best path to the future in image management systems and services."

Vortech image management systems are designed to capture, network, store and retrieve, and display and print images generated by magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), computed tomography (CT), and other digital and analog modalities.

Vortech systems conform to the ACR-NEMA (American College of Radiology - National Electrical Manufacturers Association) standard for image format specifications. The company's systems are distinguished by their ability to provide real-time, full-fidelity, image management for both intra-hospital communications and remote primary diagnosis.

Vortech operates a research and development facility in Dallas and maintains sales offices in the New York, Washington, D.C., Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas and San Francisco areas.

Robert W. Hartland, medical business general manager and division vice president, Kodak's Health Sciences Division said, "Kodak and Vortech will be working together to find customer-driven, cost-effective systems solutions to the challenge of image and information management."

Michael S. Shiff, vice president, marketing and sales for Vortech said, "The addition of Kodak's worldwide sales and service organization will make Vortech's high technology systems more readily available to customers everywhere."

Kodak is the leading supplier of medical diagnostic imaging systems, including electronic products, x-ray film, chemistry and traditional equipment.

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#90247p1054 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Quanex Corp. (NYSE: NX), a leading manufacturer of specialty metal products, today announced that its Viking Metallurgical (Viking) subsidiary has signed a three year contract to supply gas turbine engine components to Rolls-Royce Plc London, England. The overall agreement, valued at about $30 million (U.S.), was signed by Rolls-Royce Plc and Quanex management at the Farnborough Air Show, Farnborough, England. The contract was signed in a ceremony with Rolls-Royce Plc director of purchasing, Ian A. Lloyd, and Quanex officials led by Robert C. Snyder, president and chief operating officer.

The three year agreement, commencing January 1, 1991, requires Viking to manufacture seamless contoured rolled titanium rings at its Verdi, Nev. plant for the Rolls-Royce Aero Engine types, TAY, RB211 Series 535E4 and 524 G and H plus the new Trent engine. The commercial aircraft engines, manufactured in the United Kingdom, are high thrust, fuel efficient engines currently fitted to Boeing 747, 757, 767 and Fokker 100 aircraft and Gulfstream GIV. The Trent is designed to meet the needs of the next generation of two and three engine wide body airframes, such as the Boeing 777, MD-11 and AIRBUS 330, that seat over 350 passengers.

The success of Rolls-Royce engines have enabled it to double its market share for commercial engine orders in the past few years to nearly 20 percent. Rolls-Royce aims to increase the market share to at least 30 percent. The British engine maker had over two billion (Pound Sterling) in aero-gas turbine sales civil and military.

Robert C. Snyder, president and chief operating officer, said, "This contract, with a world class customer like Rolls-Royce Plc, proves that smaller companies like Viking can compete in a global market place when the total focus is on manufacturing the best products for our customers. Quanex and Viking products compete globally with the best quality, service and value in specialty metals. We are proud of our long term relationship with Rolls-Royce and will continue to strive for excellence in performance.

Quanex is a technological leader in the manufacture of steel, aluminum and titanium specialty metal products for transportation, capital equipment, home building and remodeling and energy processing markets. Latest twelve

month data: sales; $620.3 million, operating earnings; $52.1 million, net income; $25.2 million, cash from operations; $68.8 million, earnings per primary common share; $1.80, quarterly common dividend rate; 10 cents per share, book value per common share; $11.76, long lerm debt/capitalization; 30 percent, return on common shareholders' equity; 16.1 percent, common stock price range (52 week High/Low) $18.625 and $11.50.

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Allergan Inc. (NYSE: AGN) announced today that its board of directors approved two programs which will result in the repurchase of up to a total of 1,200,000 shares of the company's common stock for the company's treasury. Allergan currently has 67.6 million shares outstanding.

One program entails treasury stock purchases made over time in the open market. All purchases will be made through Goldman Sachs & Co. as exclusive agent.

A second program, to be established at a future date, will involve the purchase for cash of the corporation's outstanding common stock held by stockholders owning less than 100 shares. Shares repurchased under these two programs will be available for use under the company's employee benefits programs.

Allergan Inc. is a worldwide health care company concentrated in eye care. Allergan supplies prescription and over-the-counter pharmaceuticals, contact lenses and lens care products, and ophthalmic diagnostic products. Based in Irvine, the company employs more than 6,500 people.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Edisto Resources Corp. (AMEX: EDS) today announced that ESCO Energy Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Edisto, entered into an agreement with Laclede Gas Co. which provides for the expansion of both companies' pipeline facilities into Franklin County, Missouri, and for the purchase by Laclede of up to 55 million cubic feet of gas per day from ESCO and its affiliates.

Robert C. Jaudes, executive vice president of Laclede, said, "The agreements reached between Laclede and ESCO will provide natural gas to major parts of Franklin County, but will also provide an additional gas supply to Laclede's existing service area, and increase the capacity of the gas distribution system in St. Charles County and in West St. Louis County."

James R. McNab, chairman of Edisto, commented that he was delighted with the agreement. "This agreement provides the basis for a major expansion of ESCO's gas marketing and transportation facilities.

It establishes a nucleus around which to build future expansion efforts throughout our primary market region in the Mid-Continent states. The acquisition of ESCO and its related activities adds a new dimension to Edisto's operational profile and enhances our long-term ability to add value to our growing natural gas reserve base."

Separate filings were submitted on Aug. 31 to the Missouri Public Service Commission by Missouri Pipeline Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary of ESCO, and Laclede requesting authority to expand their respective gas pipeline facilities.

Upon obtaining the necessary regulatory approvals, construction will commence on approximately 56 miles of pipeline at an estimated cost of $17 million and will provide additional gas delivery points to Laclede. The project is expected to be completed in the fourth quarter of 1991. Funding of expansion activities will be provided through operating cash flow and existing credit facilities.

Under the terms of the gas purchase and transportation contract, ESCO will sell and deliver to Laclede (via Missouri Pipeline Co.) up to 55 million cubic feet of gas per day, after proposed expansion activities are complete.

Commencing Sept. 1, 1990, Laclede has agreed to purchase 15 million cubic feet a day from ESCO through Nov. 1, 1990. Thereafter, the firm commitment for the sale of natural gas will increase to 25 million cubic feet a day until the proposed expansion of pipeline facilities is complete.

Laclede Gas Co. is a publicly held natural gas utility (NYSE: LG) headquartered in St. Louis and serving the St. Louis area. Its principal business is the retail distribution and transportation of natural gas in the city of St. Louis and eight counties in eastern Missouri.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Colgate-Palmolive Company (NYSE: CL) has completed its purchase of the dental therapeutic business of Scherer Laboratories for approximately $22 million. Scherer is the U.S. market leader in fluoride brush-on gel products for the professional dental community, sold under the Gel-Kam trademark. Based in Dallas, Scherer sells its therapeutic products to approximately 20,000 dental offices across the U.S. The new business will be run by Colgate-Hoyt Laboratories, a supplier of products to the dental profession. "Colgate is the global leader in oral care. Capitalizing on this leadership, we are building our presence not just with consumers but with dental professionals. The addition of Scherer's dental therapeutic business enhances our program to develop this important business globally, beginning with the U.S., Europe and Australia," said Cyrill R. Siewert, President of Colgate-Hoyt Laboratories.

Colgate is the leader in the global oral care market with the world's number one selling toothpaste and full line of toothbrushes, mouthrinses and dental professional products. In addition, it is one of the world's leading consumer products companies, marketing its quality products in over 160 countries. The company's internationally recognized brand names include Colgate, Palmolive, Ajax, Fab, Irish Spring, Hill's Science Diet and Hill's Prescription Diet.

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MESA, AZ (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Philippine Air Force has added the McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) MD 500 Series Defender to its combat helicopter fleet.

The Philippine Air Force, which joins a growing number of nations worldwide flying the combat-proven aircraft, took delivery of four Defenders late last month.

In all, McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co., which builds the aircraft in Mesa, Ariz., will deliver 22 Defenders through 1990 to the air force unit, which is modernizing its fleet of fixed- and rotary-wing aircraft. A follow-on contract for an unspecified number of Defenders has been approved.

The purchase of the aircraft is being handled by the U.S. government as a foreign military sale. Total cost of the aircraft and related support equipment and training has not been released.

"This sale is significant because it confirms the Defender as a potent weapon for military forces in that region," said Max Wiley, director of international business development for McDonnell Douglas Helicopter. "We see this sale as expanding deployment of the Defender in the South Asia-Pacific arena, as well as in other markets around the world," he said.

The Philippine Air Force Defenders, the latest version of the combat-proven MD 500 Series scout/attack helicopters flown by the U.S. Army's elite 160th Special Operations Regiment, are equipped with Allison 250-C20R turbine engines. The C20R engine provides the Defender with increased performance capabilities over earlier C20 engines.

The helicopters, which will be used for a variety of military assignments, will be equipped with universal weapons mounts that can accommodate machine guns, rockets, and missiles, depending on the specific mission requirement.

Defenders are in service by several nations around the world, including Colombia, Israel, Kenya, South Korea and Japan.

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#90247p1069 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Genesee Corporation (NASDAQ: GENBB) today announced consolidated sales and earnings for the first three months of its current fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

First quarter gross sales were $46,348,000 compared to $45,109,000 during the first quarter of the prior year. Net earnings for the quarter were $2,208,000 or $1.38 per share compared to last year's first quarter of $1,690,000 or $1.06 per share.

Company officials noted that overall sales were up primarily due to increased sales by the foods division, but the increase in earnings was attributed to improved performance by the brewing division. John L. Wehle Jr., president and chief executive officer, stated, "Our efforts to efficiently contain expenses while maintaining aggressive marketing programs are reflected in the improved profitability for the first quarter."

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EARNINGS

($ in Thousands except for per Share Data)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED	
	7/31/90	7/31/89
GROSS SALES	$46,348	$45,109

Less: Excise Taxes and Allowances	8,606	8,038
NET SALES	$37,742	$37,071
EARNINGS BEFORE TAXES	$3,324	$2,599
NET EARNINGS	$2,208	$1,690
NET EARNINGS PER SHARE	$1.38	$1.06

NOTE: Both interim reports are unaudited and subject to year-end adjustments and, due to the seasonal nature of the business and the varying schedule of special sales efforts, are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the year.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Jack E. Thompson, President of North American Metals Corp. ("NAM") announced today that the company has arranged a U.S. $12 million forward sale of gold to Homestake Mining Company of California.

This transaction is on terms similar to those in the forward sale made by NAM to Homestake in July, 1989 for C$31 million. Proceeds from the sale will be used to repay a short-term bridge loan and to fund operating cash shortfalls resulting from the start-up problems at the Golden Bear Mine.

Thompson stated, "The transaction which has received all regulatory approvals will involve the forward sale of approximately 39,000 ounces of gold. Although very similar to the earlier transaction, it differs in that there are no current deliveries.

The entire amount is scheduled to be delivered in five years unless additional reserves are found or if the company makes early delivery shipments.

The price used was the average London PM fix in the previous three weeks, or U.S. $401, adjusted 5.0 percent per annum to reflect the fact that the gold will be delivered in the future. All in all, the financial terms of the transaction are very favourable to the company."

On Aug. 16, 1990, Thompson announced that due to equipment difficulties production at the mine would be cut by 50 percent. Today he confirmed that repairs to the roaster would take approximately three months.

"We are milling lower grade oxide ores in the interim to maintain some cash flow and to hold the operating crew together. Over the last two weeks we have averaged 400 tons per day through the plant which is well in excess of

design."

Engineering and procurement are under way for a refractory brick arch to replace the steel alloy plate that buckled in the roaster. The supplier of the equipment has agreed to cover substantially all the costs of the repair.

CONTACT: Jack E. Thompson, President of North American Metals Corp., (415) 981-8150.

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#90247p1071 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - AVX Corporation today announced the appointment of Benedict Rosen to president of the electronic components manufacturer.

In his new position, Rosen will report to the company's chief executive officer, Marshall D. Butler and will be responsible for AVX's worldwide operations. Rosen was previously executive vice president responsible for the operations in the United States and Southeast Asia.

"Mr. Rosen is uniquely qualified for this position, due to his understanding of the company, his manufacturing background and knowledge of the worldwide markets for components," stated Butler.

Rosen has been with AVX for more than 19 years and has held various manufacturing management and executive positions. He will remain based in the company's Myrtle Beach facility.

Rosen replaces Charles Dill, who resigned from the company to pursue other business interests.

AVX Corporation, a Kyocera Group company, is a leading international manufacturer of multilayer ceramic, tantalum and glass capacitors. AVX/Kyocera's extensive line of passive components, including timing devices, resistor networks and hybrid circuits, is one of the largest in the world.

Kyocera Corporation (NYSE: KYO) is a global advanced ceramic and high technology company with annual sales of $2.7 billion.

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Drug Inc., an Eastman

Kodak Company (NYSE: EK), has transferred its Cook-Waite Laboratories line of dental anesthetics and accessories to Kodak Dental Products in the Health Sciences Division.

Kodak will market these products under the Cook-Waite brand name through a network of dental dealers who handle Kodak dental films and accessories. Sterling Drug will continue to manufacture the Cook-Waite products on a contract basis.

"The joining of these two strong, established forces in the dental marketplace means customers will continue to receive the highest quality dental anesthetics through an established supplier offering a full range of dental products," said Donald Hartman, general manager, Kodak Dental Products.

"And customers will be ordering through dental dealers who currently market Kodak dental products."

Cook-Waite products include Carbocaine (mepivacaine), Marcaine (bupivacaine), and Ravocaine (propoxycaine) anesthetics, the Cook-Waite aspirator syringe and accessories.

Kodak is the leading producer of high-quality dental radiography products that include intraoral and extraoral dental x-ray films, chemicals for automated and manual processing and accessories.

The combination of Cook-Waite Lab's pharmaceutical innovation and Kodak's marketing expertise brings over a century of collective experience and service to the dental market.

"The names Kodak and Cook-Waite have come to stand for quality. We plan to continue to expand upon that tradition of excellence. The combined resources at our disposal will allow us to be more versatile in our commitment to meet the growing demands made on dental practices," said Hartman.

CONTACT: Paul C. Allen, corporate news services of Eastman Kodak Company, 716-724-5802

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NEW YORK, (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - G.L. Hodson & Son, Inc.(GLH) announced today that Michael R. Parker has joined GLH as a senior vice president and manager of the Surety & Fidelity Division, a newly formed unit of the company.

Prior to joining GLH, Parker was an officer of another major reinsurance

intermediary, where he specialized in reinsurance for contract and miscellaneous surety and financial institution fidelity programs.

The Surety & Fidelity Division has been established as a national resource of GLH. As such, the division will assist GLH broker teams nationwide in serving ceding company clients and prospects with surety or financial institution programs.

Stephen A. Crane, president and chief executive officer of G.L. Hodson, said, "The creation of this new division, and Michael Parker's assumption of the division manager's position, is an important step in executing our strategy of adding value by establishing expertise in specialized areas of reinsurance."

G.L. Hodson & Son, one of the ten largest reinsurance intermediaries in the U.S., was founded in 1924 and was acquired by Corroon & Black Corporation (NYSE: CBL) in 1970. GLH is headquartered in New Hyde Park, N.Y., and has branch offices in Atlanta, Boston, Burlington (N.C.), Los Angeles, Minneapolis, and San Francisco. GLH is primarily a treaty broker but provides facultative reinsurance services through several of its offices.

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TORONTO (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Goldex Mines Limited (NASDAQ: GDXMF) and Ormico Explorations Ltd. announced today the results of the recently completed exploration program on their joint venture property in Val d'Or, Quebec. Goldex is the operator and has a 60 percent interest in the joint venture. Ormico has a 40 percent participating interest in the joint venture.

An underground exploration program commenced in January 1990 and was completed in July 1990. The program has successfully extended the Goldex Extension Zone, discovered in 1989, from section 2 + 00 East to section 6 + 00 East. Diamond drilling also extended the zone up dip to the 1250 level on the Goldex Property on section 5 + 00 East and 6 + 00 East. Encouraging results have been encountered and two drill indicated mineral inventories have now been calculated. The Goldex Extension Zone remains open to the east and at depth on the joint venture property and to the east and at depth to the west on the Goldex property.

A drill indicated mineral inventory of 19,396,000 tons grading .075 ounces of gold per ton (.070 ounces of gold per ton cut to one ounce per ton) has been calculated between sections 2 + 00 West to 6 + 00 East using the

geological limits to the Goldex Extension Zone. These limits enclose all the vein structures of the deposit including low and high grade areas.

A separate drill indicated mineral inventory has been calculated using a .08 ounces of gold per ton cut-off grade but including lower grade material where necessary to produce a smooth envelope to mineralization. This method results in a drill indicated mineral inventory of 9,931,000 tons grading .094 ounces of gold per ton (.087 ounces of gold per ton cut to one ounce per ton).

Goldex and Ormico have today announced their intention to continue with a $1.9 million exploration program which will commence in September 1990. This program will require a further eastward extension to the 1250 level drift, underground diamond drilling to section 10 + 00 East and a surface diamond drilling program at section 15 + 00 East.

Goldex is managed and operated by Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited, which currently holds a combined direct and indirect interest in Goldex of approximately 30 percent.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Republic Waste Industries Inc.'s (NASDAQ: RWIN) common stock was included in the NASDAQ National Market System (NMS) on Sept. 4, 1990, James D. Lee, president, announced. Lee pointed out that Republic Waste's entry into NMS provides investors with the best of both worlds -- the continuous transaction data of the exchanges and the vigorous competition among multiple market makers that is the hallmark of NASDAQ.

Stockbrokers will be able to provide last-sale prices and up-to-the-second volume information on the company's common stock for their customers throughout the trading day. Republic Waste, a leading Houston-based company specializing in the collection, processing and disposal of solid waste, will be included in the NMS newspaper stock table which shows high, low and closing prices for the most active and prominent NASDAQ securities.

James D. Lee noted that in addition to increased market information that NMS provides, a significant advantage of being quoted on NASDAQ is the existence of multiple market makers competing with each other to execute customer orders, as opposed to a single specialist on the floor of a stock exchange. There are currently 16 firms making a market in Republic Waste Industries Inc.

Republic Waste Industries Inc. is a Houston-based company specializing in the collection, processing and disposal of solid waste. The company's common stock is traded over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol RWIN.

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ORLANDO, FL (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX) has been awarded a $93 million contract to supply the Commonwealth Atlantic Limited Partnership with a 312-megawatt power generating plant to be built in Virginia.

The Commonwealth Atlantic Limited Partnership is a partnership between a subsidiary of Mission Energy Co., Fairfax, Va., and a subsidiary of Long Lake Energy Co., New York, N.Y.

Westinghouse will supply the plant on a turnkey basis. The natural gas-fired power plant will be built in Chesapeake, Va. R. Peter Lalor, executive director of the Commonwealth Atlantic Limited Partnership, said that Virginia Power Co. would buy the power produced by the plant. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and state regulatory authorities have approved the transaction.

"This project has broken new ground in the independent power market," said Paul Elston, chairman of Long Lake Energy Co. "The plant will be one of the first true independent power producers in the United States. It is a utility-grade plant that will produce fully dispatchable power within an innovative regulatory framework."

"Virginia Power provides its ratepayers with cost-effective, reliable power through its innovative mix of utility and independent power generation," said James S. Pignatelli, president and chief executive officer of Mission Energy Co. "We're happy to be a part of the Virginia Power generating network, and we're looking forward to contributing reliable power to it."

Three Westinghouse model 501D5 combustion turbines will comprise the plant's power block. During the past five years, Model 501D5 combustion turbines have performed at a cumulative availability of more than 95 percent in independent power applications.

"We are pleased that Commonwealth Atlantic chose Westinghouse to supply this plant," said Frank Bakos, vice president and general manager of the Westinghouse Power Generation Business Unit. "Our 501D5 combustion turbines are among the best performing machines on the market. They will make a substantial contribution to the project's success."

Equipment deliveries are expected to be complete in August 1991. Commercial operation is scheduled for March 1992.

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#90247p1085 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - CS First Boston, Inc. today announced that Archibald Cox, Jr. will be named president and chief executive officer, and James R. Maher will be named vice chairman of the First Boston Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary, effective Sept. 6.

Cox, 50, joined First Boston in May of this year, and succeeds John M. Hennessy, 54, who continues as president and chief executive officer of CS First Boston, Inc. Maher, 40, joined the firm in 1976 and has served as managing director and co-head of the investment banking department since 1988.

Hennessy said, "Archie Cox shares our commitment to CS First Boston's global strategy. He has demonstrated an extraordinary insight into our firm and our business. This, plus his previous experience in building and running one of the largest, most profitable international securities businesses for another major Wall Street firm, makes him ideal for this position."

Previously, Cox served as chief executive officer of Morgan Stanley International, where he launched and ran the firm's international operations based in London for more than 10 years.

From 1986-88, he served as a member of the board of the Securities and Investment Board (SIB), the regulatory body which oversees all financial service companies doing business in the United Kingdom.

Hennessy said, "Jim Maher will concentrate on our worldwide M&A effort and will continue to oversee our domestic investment banking business. He will also become more involved with the overall management of the firm.

CS First Boston, Inc. is a full-service international investment banking firm serving both suppliers and users of capital around the world. Through its wholly owned subsidiaries -- The First Boston Corporation operating in the Americas, Financiere Credit Suisse-First Boston operating in Europe and the Middle East, and CS First Boston Pacific operating in the Pacific Rim -- CS First Boston provides comprehensive financial advisory services, develops innovative financing structures and strategies for public and private institutions, and employs its own capital resources

to trade and underwrite securities and to engage in merchant banking and other principal transactions.

CONTACT: Susan Miller, 212-909-4573, or home, 718-789-8957, or Jack Cowell, 212-909-4827, both of CS First Boston

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DENVER (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Soviet government issued an announcement today stating that for the first time, Western companies are being invited to bid for the rights to explore for and produce oil and gas in large sections of the Soviet Union.

According to a joint announcement made by the USSR Ministry of Geology and the government of the Republic of Turkmen, the territories being offered are located in the South Caspian and Amu-Daria Oil and Gas Provinces in Turkmen SSR. Approximately 90,000 square kilometers are involved and are rated as "highly prospective," according to the announcement.

"There is existing major hydrocarbon production in the area and a well-developed infrastructure, with favorable climatic conditions," the announcement stated.

Small tract competitive bidding will be used to select the participating Western companies. Exploration and production agreements will be signed with the successful bidders and will conform with existing Soviet legislation on joint ventures.

The annoucement stated that all rules, regulations, conditions and commitments guiding the bidding process and the resulting exploration and production ventures will be fully defined and made available to Western companies prior to the first round of bidding.

Exploration data on the territories will be made available to interested companies exclusively through the joint venture between VNIGNI of the Ministry of Geology of the USSR and Wavetech Geophysical Inc. of Denver. Wavetech is an oil and gas exploration services company.

"It is the intent of the appropriate Soviet organizations to make the Invitation to Bid available in late 1990 during a visit to the United States by Soviet oil and gas officials.

"The purpose of this visit will be to disclose details related to the potential of the offered territories and to provide answers to inquiries of oil company representatives in relation to oil and gas exploration and production ventures in the Soviet Union.

"Extensive exploration data sets will also be available at this time," the announcement concluded.

CONTACT: Dr. K.A. Kleschev or Dr. V.A. Teplitsky both of the Ministry of Geology of the USSR, 273-26-51; or Edward Gendelman of Wavetech Geophysical Inc., 303-839-9488

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STERLING HEIGHTS, MICH. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlas Copco Assembly Systems and Chicago Pneumatic Systems Division have merged to form Advanced Fastening Systems, Inc.

In making the announcement, David M. Johnson, president of the new company said, "Advanced Fastening Systems will operate as a systems integrator using products from Atlas Copco and Chicago Pneumatic. All current and past products will continue to be offered and supported, and they will continue to be marketed under the well-known Chicago Pneumatic and Atlas Copco brand names."

Combining the two companies merges the technologies of two industry leaders in fastening systems. As a result of the merger, Advanced Fastening Systems becomes the largest manufacturer of multiple spindle nutrunners in North America. The new company's major products include:

-- DC and air powered multiple spindle nutrunner units for high- volume assembly of large products

-- Assembly stations -- Quality control electronics for nutrunners -- Components for machine tool builders -- Laboratory testing and joint analysis -- Fastener feeding equipment -- On-line friction testing equipment -- On-line pressing equipment Johnson continued, "Our products will benefit from the combined development efforts. The individual companies' established expertise in threaded fastener technology and automation will be pooled into a single, much stronger resource that will challenge the industry. Advanced Fastening Systems will be a stronger organization with a larger market share and is expected to be the market leader in the 1990s."

At this time, the companies' products are sold primarily to the automobile industry, automotive components plants, independent suppliers to the automobile industry and off-road vehicle and truck manufacturers.

In forming the new company, A. Erik Thorsrud was named vice president of sales, and Donald F. Hense becomes vice president of operations.

The change is effective Jan. 1, 1991. During the transition, the two

companies will continue to operate autonomously.

Headquarters and technical center for Advanced Fastening Systems are at 5500 18 Mile Road, Sterling Heights, Mich., 48314.

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SPRINGFIELD, VA. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Versar, Inc. (AMEX: VSR) today reported financial results for the fourth quarter and the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Revenue for the year reached a record high of $60,909,000, a 6 percent increase over revenue of $57,592,000 for the previous year. Revenue in the fourth quarter was $16,086,000, a 2 percent decrease from revenue of $16,486,000 for the comparable period a year ago. Net income for the year was $41,000, or 1 cent per share, based on 3,816,000 shares outstanding, compared to a net loss of $256,000, or 7 cents per share based on 3,673,000 outstanding shares the previous year. The fourth quarter contributed a net income of $417,000, or 11 cents per share, based on 3,866,000 shares outstanding, compared to a net income of $280,000, or 7 cents per share, based on 3,752,000 shares for the comparable period a year ago.

Versar provides a wide range of scientific and technical services to solve environmental and health safety problems caused by pollutants, hazardous materials, and toxic substances.

VERSAR, INC.
Condensed Consolid ated Summary of Operations
for the Fourth Quarter and Fiscal Year
Ended June 30, 1990 and 1989
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$16,086	$16,486	$60,909	$57,592
Costs and expenses, including minority interest in a subsidiary	15,396	15,964	60,753	57,771
Income (loss) before income taxes	690	522	156	(179)
Income tax provision	(273)	(242)	(115)	(77)
Net income (loss)	$ 417	$ 280	$ 41	$ (256)
Net income (loss) per share	$ .11	$ .07	$ .01	$ (.07)

Weighted average number of shares outstanding	3,866	3,752	3,816	3,673

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LYNN, MASS. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - GE (USA)-(a) Aircraft Engines' CF34-3A1 turbofan engine will power the 10 firm and 10 option Canadair Regional Jets ordered by Ansett Worldwide Aviation Equipment, in an engine order valued at $80 million.

This order confirms a memorandum of agreement that was signed last year between Ansett and Canadair. Ansett is expected to take delivery of its first aircraft in 1993.

Two 9,000-pound thrust class CF34-3A1 turbofan engines will power the 52-passenger Regional Jet. This latest version of the CF34 is being modified with product improvements and added life to ready it for regional airline service. The CF34-3A1 engine will begin flight testing on the Regional Jet in the spring of 1991.

Ansett is the second customer to announce a purchase agreement for the CF34-powered Regional Jet. Lufthansa Airlines partner, Deutsche Luftverkehrgesekkschaft (DLT) of West Germany, signed for 13 firm and 12 option aircraft last May.

Since entering commercial service in 1983 on Canadair's Challenger business jet, the CF34 has accumulated more than 387,000 engine flight hours, powering 125 aircraft in service with 106 operators in 15 countries.

NOTE: (a)-General Electric Company of the United States is not connected with the English company of a similar name.

CONTACT: John Morris of GE Aircraft Engines, 617-594-4809

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#90247p1100 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARNBOROUGH, ENGLAND (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The production rate of McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) MD-80 twin-jet airliners has risen steadily in 1990, and this year's deliveries of MD-80 series aircraft to customers will reach an all-time high, the company announced today.

James R. Phillips, vice president and deputy general manager, MD-80/90 program, said at the Farnborough Air Show in England that McDonnell

Douglas has increased its twin-jet production rate to three aircraft per week from two per week earlier in the year.

"We're on schedule to deliver 139 this year," Phillips said. "This will be the highest production year for McDonnell Douglas twin-jets since the company delivered 193 DC-9s in 1968.

"We've turned the corner on rate," Phillips said. "We have increased our capacity in both sub-assembly and final assembly processes, and we are working to improve first-time quality in all areas." Commercial airliners are built by the Douglas Aircraft division of McDonnell Douglas in Long Beach, Calif.

Phillips said that the company plans to maintain the current rate through most of 1991. "We considered going to a higher rate next year, but at the current rate we can meet all of our customer requirements while ensuring the highest quality."

Phillips also said that maintaining the current production rate through next year will allow the company to focus more of its engineering capacity on MD-90 development, which is now under way. The MD-90, the latest aircraft in McDonnell Douglas' twin-jet series, was launched in November 1989.

"We have accelerated our development schedule for the MD-90, and we have decided to build an MD-90 prototype aircraft on the MD-80 assembly line," Phillips said. "Instead of using an older fuselage as the prototype as we had planned, we will add a new MD-80 line position. This will provide an aircraft that conforms far more closely to MD-90 specifications and configurations."

Phillips said McDonnell Douglas expects the MD-90 prototype to enter development flight test in early 1993. Production of the MD-90 will begin in early 1994 with first deliveries scheduled for the fourth quarter of 1994.

In addition, Phillips said, the company is continuing to focus attention on identifying suppliers who provide quality, service and technical leadership. "At McDonnell Douglas we view the supplier as a partner. In fact, we are building long-term relationships with suppliers who we can count on for availability, flexibility and commitment to continuous improvement," he said.

CONTACT: John Thom of Douglas Aircraft Co., (213) 593-9223.

-30- 2827

#90247p1102 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Best Products Co., Inc. today announced that the New York Stock Exchange has responded favorably to its request to delist the company's 12 5/8 Senior Subordinated Notes due Dec. 1, 1996.

The exchange has said it will suspend trading of the notes on Sept. 14, 1990 and file an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission to delist the issue.

Best requested in July that the notes be delisted because fewer than $2.4 million of the $200 million in notes issued in December 1986 remain outstanding and trading has been minimal. Best notified note holders in June of its intention to seek delisting.

The notes may still be traded in the over-the-counter market. Best, one of the nation's largest catalog showroom retailers, operates 195 Best showrooms in 27 states. The company also operates Best Jewelry, a chain of 35 fine jewelry and giftware stores, and Tele-Mail, a nationwide mail-order service.

CONTACT: Ross Richardson of Best Products Co., Inc., (804) 261-2157.

-30- 1207

#90247p1103 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Aladdin International, Inc., today reported year-end audited results. Sales were $3,460,377 for the fiscal year versus the previous year's sales of $3,598,932. Net income was $863,876 versus $353,356. Of the $863,876 in earnings, $576,948 was attributable to an extraordinary credit and $205,327 was due to reorganization items. Net income per share was $.71 versus $.29 for the previous year.

The extraordinary credit and reorganization items were a result of the successful resolution of an $812,000 net loss in one of the company's discontinued subsidiaries.

The company stated that sales were adversely affected by remodeling costs at one of its higher volume restaurants and discounting by the major restaurant chains in the company's market area.

The company, with headquarters in Minneapolis, operates five Arby's Roast Beef restaurants in the Milwaukee, Wis. area.

ALADDIN INTERNATIONAL, INC. YEAR END RESULTS

	Year Ended 6/30/90	Year Ended 6/30/89
Revenue	$3,460,377	$3,598,932

Percent change	(4.0)	--
Net income before extra	$286,928	$353,356
Extra credit	$576,948	--
Total income	$863,876	$353,356
Net/share	$.71	$.29

CONTACT: Mr. Jan F. Ebbert of Aladdin, 612-340-4523

-30- 1796

#90247p1109 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CA. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc. (NASDAQ: HQOSA) announced today the commencement of an overseas Private Placement through Global America Inc., which will act as exclusive placement agent for the company. The offering consists of a minimum of 150 units and a maximum of 400 units. Each unit will consist of 40,000 shares of Series A Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock and 4,000 Redeemable Class D Common Stock Purchase Warrants. Each share of Series A Preferred will be convertible into one share of the company's Class A Common Stock. The Offering will be made solely overseas and there will be no public market for the Units in the United States. The purchase price for a unit will be $100,000. If the minimum of 150 units is sold, $15,000,000 will be raised in the offering.

The company also announced that it is currently engaged in preliminary discussions regarding a possible business combination with its affiliate and former subsidiary, HQ Office International Inc. The company believes that a business combination with HQ Office International Inc. would result in operational efficiencies between the two companies and allow the company to penetrate the Canadian market for office supplies and related products. Neither the terms nor the form of the proposed business combination with HQ Office International Inc. have been determined.

HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc. has retained Global America Incorporated as its investment banker and financial adviser for the proposed transaction. Bateman, Eichler, Hill, Richards, Inc. will serve as an investment banking and financial advisor to HQ Office International Inc. for the proposed transaction.

HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc.'s merchandizing strategy is to offer a wide selection of quality, brand-name office products, including general office supplies, business machines, office furniture and other business-related products at discount prices primarily to small and medium-sized businesses. The stores average at least 25,000 square feet of selling space with an inventory of approximately 8,000 stock keeping units.

CONTACT: Douglas MacLellan of HQ Office Supplies, 213-491-3500

-30- 2412
#90247p1115 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Linda S. Brewer, formerly director of the California Office of Administrative Law, has been appointed counsel in the Law Division of Hartford-based Aetna Life & Casualty (NYSE: AET).

In her new role, Brewer will counsel Aetna on regulatory and legislative matters for several western states including California, Washington, Oregon, Arizona, Alaska and Hawaii. She will be headquartered in Sacramento.

"Ms. Brewer brings to Aetna extensive knowledge of the regulatory and legislative process which will be a considerable asset to us in our efforts to develop a better understanding of the governmental process," said Francis X. Bruton, Jr., vice president and counsel.

"Her background makes her well-suited to help Aetna respond to the growing complexity of the state regulatory and legislative process," Bruton said.

Prior to her appointment by Gov. Deukmejian as director of the Office of Administrative Law in 1983, Brewer worked in public affairs for Chevron.

She is a graduate of the University of the Philippines and holds a juris doctor from Notre Dame Law School. She is the author of a number of articles dealing with the regulatory process.

CONTACT: John C. Hawkins of Aetna, (203) 273-0283 (office) or (203) 233-7622 (home).

-30- 1468
#90247p1118 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Nycal Corporation (NASDAQ: NYCL) announced on Aug. 16, 1990, that it had signed a letter of intent with Airship Industries Limited ("Airship") (NASDAQ-NMS: AIRSY) with a view to arrangements being made which could lead to Nycal acquiring more than 50 percent of Airship's share capital. These arrangements included the immediate advance of a secured loan by Nycal of approximately $4.3 million to meet near-term working capital requirements of Airship.

Nycal today announced it has been unable to obtain from Airship adequate security for the working capital loan, or advance in a timely fashion acceptable resolution of other outstanding issues.

Whilst Nycal regrets that this potentially promising acquisition, restructured, refocused, and refinanced by Nycal will not now be

consummated, its other recent acquisitions, and pending acquisitions, eliminate any question of Nycal taking an unacceptable risk.

Nycal Corporation is a U.S. holding company with mining and energy resources and insurance interests.

CONTACT: Graham Lacey of Nycal Corporation, (202) 625-6600.

-30- 1297

#90247p1120 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Freedom Capital Management Corporation has created a team of investment specialists to manage its global fixed-income portfolios, including the top-performing open-end mutual fund, Freedom Global Income Fund.

Maria Fiorini Ramirez, a leading international money market economist and executive vice president of Freedom, will serve as chief investment strategist for the team, according to Hugh Dunlap, president of Freedom Capital.

Freedom Capital is a Boston-based money management firm with $3.2 billion under management. It is an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of The John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Portfolio Manager and Trader From Global Investment Institutions

Day-to-day management of Freedom Capital's global fixed-income will be handled by two specialists who come from major global securities and asset management institutions.

Robert M. Kowit, a senior non-dollar, fixed-income specialist, was elected senior vice president of Freedom Capital and will serve as portfolio manager for the team.

Before joining Freedom Capital, Kowit was a managing director at Midland Montagu Securities in New York for nearly two years. He specialized in non-dollar and U.S. government security products as well as a wide range of derivative instruments to U.S. and international clients. Kowit was also a vice president and international fixed-income sales manager at Kidder Peabody & Company from 1978 through 1987.

Paul E. Luedig, who was named vice president of Freedom Capital, will assume all trading responsibilities for the team. Luedig worked as a foreign fixed-income trader and analyst at CIC Union Europeenne for four years before joining Freedom. Prior to joining CIC Union- Europeenne, Luedig worked at Credit Lyonnais and Chase Manhattan Bank.

Thomas H. Urmston, a Freedom Capital managing director and a fixed-income

portfolio manager, will be coordinating global and domestic fixed-income investment activities from Freedom's headquarter in Boston while trading and portfolio functions are headed by Ramirez in New York.

On Nov. 1, the new team will assume control of Freedom Global Income Fund, with $191-million under management. The fund and its companion Freedom Global equity fund were recently named the best performing members of the Freedom mutual fund family by Kanon Bloc Carre, a firm that evaluates mutual fund performance. In the same study, Freedom's family of funds ranked 17th out of the top 50 best-performing fund families.

CONTACT: Pen Pendleton of Brouillard Communications, (212) 210-8592, for Freedom Capital Management Corporation.

-30- 2860

#90247p1121 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CA. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc. (NASDAQ: HQOSA) announced today that its board of directors has elected George J. Handgis to succeed Brad R. Tukey as the company's president and chief executive officer, effective Sept. 1, 1990. Handgis is the president and chief executive officer of the company's former subsidiary HQ Office International Inc. and has served as a director HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc. since its inception.

Robert J. McNulty, chairman, stated, "George Handgis is a dynamic leader who has many years of management and merchandising experience in the retailing industry. George was the co-founder of HomeClub and was instrumental in the start-up and management of that company. HomeClub currently generates well over $1 billion in annual sales. He has been associated with a number of successful high-volume retail companies and retail formats including W.R. Grace, Builders Emporium, and the FedMart Corp. I am fully confident in George's ability to lead the company's expansion and growth in the 1990s."

Tukey resigned as president and chief executive officer, effective Sept. 1 1990, to pursue other interests. He will continue to serve on the board of directors and as a consultant to the company.

McNulty added, "Brad was a valuable asset to HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc. during its development and start-up phase and we welcome his ongoing contributions as a director and as a consultant."

HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc.'s merchandising strategy is to offer a wide selection of quality, brand-name office products, including general office supplies, business machines, office furniture and other business-related products at discount prices primarily to small and medium-sized businesses. The stores average at least 25,000 square feet

of selling space with an inventory of approximately 8,000 stock keeping units.

CONTACT: Douglas MacLellan of HQ Office Supplies, investor relations, 213-491-3500

-30- 2190

#90247p1123 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Gulf Canada Resources Limited today announced that the August 1990 dividend rate for its Fixed/Adjustable Rate Senior Preference Shares, Series 1, has been calculated at $0.048 per share. The dividend is payable on Sept. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Aug. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Craig Langpap of Gulf Canada, 403-233-4341

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#90247p1125 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Snyder Oil Corp. ("SOCO") (NYSE: SNY) announced that a definitive agreement had been reached under which Pennzoil Exploration and Production Co. ("Pennzoil"), a subsidiary of Pennzoil Co., will purchase a 37.5 percent interest in SOCO's Pawnee Project.

The project incorporates a 143,000 net acre position in the Niobrara Trend of northern Colorado and southern Wyoming. The Niobrara is a vertically fractured chalk formation widely believed to be highly prospective for horizontal drilling. The addition of Pennzoil completes the joint venture inititated with the previous sale of a 25 percent interest in the project to Coda Energy Inc.

SOCO has retained a 37.5 percent interest in the joint venture and is the designated operator. Closing of the purchase is expected in 30-45 days. The agreement provides for a $1.1 million seismic program and the parties contemplate that drilling will commence by yearend.

John Snyder, the chairman of SOCO, in announcing the agreement said, "We are delighted to have finalized the Pawnee joint venture and pleased that Pennzoil shares our enthusiasm for the area's potential. This large project was conceived and initiated by our exploration staff almost a year ago. At that time, the potential economics of horizontal drilling in the Niobrara appeared compelling, even at a $15 to $20 oil price."

SOCO further indicated that it holds an additional 100,000 net acres in the Niobrara Trend which are outside the Pawnee project. It is expected that additional joint ventures will be formed in the course of the next

few months to explore that acreage.

SOCO is an independent oil corporation engaged in the acquisition, production, development and exploration of oil and gas properties and in natural gas processing and transporation. The company's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "SNY."

CONTACT: Patti J. Irwin of Snyder Oil Corp., (817) 338-4043.

-30- 2185

#90247p1136 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

PETERSBURG, VA. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - On August 27, 1990, the Board of Directors of Brenco, Incorporated (NASDAQ-NMS: BREN) declared the 154th consecutive quarterly dividend in the amount of five (5) cents per share on the 9,700,690 shares of Common Stock outstanding payable on October 1, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business September 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Jacob M. Feichtner, Executive Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, Brenco, Incorporated, 804-732-0202

-30- 649

#90247p1141 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - BHC Communications, Inc. (AMEX: BHC) announced today a no-cost selling program for holders of fewer than 100 shares of its Class A common shares. BHC is not buying the shares. Shares sold pursuant to the program will be aggregated and sold in round lots on the American Stock Exchange.

Each stockholder who sells shares in the program will receive the average of the prices received for all share sold under the program on the date his shares are sold. No deduction will be made for brokerage fees or other expenses. Only holders of less than 100 shares of Class A common shares as of the close of business on Aug. 21, 1990, may participate in the program, and any such holder must sell all shares he holds, if he sells any. Information regarding the program will be mailed on Sept. 5 to all such holders. The program will expire on Oct. 12, unless extended.

CONTACT: Barry S. Greene, 305-946-4000, for BHC Communications

-30- 1150

#90247p1144 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLARENDON HILLS, IL. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - MAF Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MAFB) announced today that members of the Koranda family have filed with the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) for permission to increase their holdings in MAF Bancorp common stock from approximately 9

percent to up to 18 percent over the next ten years.

Included in the filing are Allen Koranda, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of MAF Bancorp; Kenneth Koranda, president of MAF Bancorp and a director of the company; Janann Koranda, a vice president of a subsidiary company; and Hugo Koranda, father of Allen, Kenneth and Janann Koranda and the former chairman of the board of Mid America Federal Savings Bank, the wholly owned subsidiary of MAF Bancorp. Other family members are also included in the filing.

OTS regulations require that any person or group intending to acquire ownership of greater than 10 percent of a savings and loan holding company must obtain prior approval before making such an acquisition. Although OTS regulations define such a filing as a change in control application, members of the Koranda family indicated they have no intention of acquiring all of the stock of the company or making any other changes in management or company structure. They also indicated that part of their increase in stock ownership will come through their participation, over a number of years, in stock benefit plans of the company. These plans were approved by the OTS in connection with the January 1990, conversion of Mid America from a federally chartered mutual savings bank to a federally chartered stock savings bank.

Allen Koranda emphasized that shareholders and customers should not misinterpret the intent of the filing. "We view this as complying with an administrative process rather than as a significant corporate event. We realize our family ownership will inevitably increase to over 10 percent given that family members purchased over 9 percent in the initial public offering, our anticipated participation in stock benefit plans of the company over a number of years and possible open market purchases in the future. We felt it was an appropriate time to disclose this and to provide an estimate of our long term plans for acquisition of MAF Bancorp stock."

In an unrelated matter, MAF Bancorp announced that its 1990 annual meeting of shareholders will be held on Oct. 31, 1990, at The Carlisle, 435 East Butterfield Road, Lombard, Ill., at 10 a.m.

Mid America Federal Savings Bank is a federally chartered stock savings bank. The bank operates a network of 13 retail banking offices primarily in the western suburbs of Chicago.

CONTACT: Allen H. Koranda or Michael J. Janssen, both of MAF, 708-325-7300

-30- 2959

#90247p1147 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - R. R. Donnelley and Sons Company (NYSE:

DNY) has acquired the Meredith/Burda Companies from the Meredith Corporation (NYSE: MDP) of Des Moines, Iowa, and Franz and Frieder Burda of West Germany.

John R. Walter, Donnelley chairman, president and CEO, said: "We are gratified to finally complete the transaction, which began in late 1989. The acquisition of Meredith/Burda combines two strong, high quality printers of excellent reputation."

The purchase price of approximately $550 million includes approximately $65 million of debt. The terms of payment were changed from payment in full at closing to payment of $180 million at closing with the balance to be paid in two installments without interest: $157,300,000 on May 24, 1991 and $149,300,000 on Oct. 9, 1991. Donnelley will issue debt to finance the transaction.

Meredith/Burda, with 1989 sales of $456 million, is a major printer of catalogs, newspaper advertising inserts and magazines. Its employs nearly 3,100 persons in printing operations in Des Moines, Iowa; Lynchburg, Va.; Casa Grande, Ariz.; Newton, Hickory and Greensboro, N.C. As part of this transaction, Donnelley will produce Meredith Corporation publications, including Better Homes and Gardens, Metropolitan Home and Country Home.

Donnelley, with 1989 sales of $3.1 billion, is North America's largest printer of catalogs, newspaper advertising inserts, magazines, books, directories, computer documentation and financial printing. The company, which employs 27,000 persons, operates in nearly 100 locations worldwide.

CONTACT: James M. Ratcliffe, of R.R. Donnelley and Sons, (312) 326-8030.

-30- 1840

#90247p1148 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - John R. King, president of Gold Express Corp. (NASDAQ: GDEX), today announced the signing of separate agreements with Mountain States Mineral Enterprises Inc. and with N. A. Degerstrom Inc. The Mountain States agreement calls for them to develop:

1. a fixed price contract for the total reconstruction of the Copper Flat mill, complete with guarantees of capabilities and time to full commissioning
2. an operating cost estimate and operating contract under which they will operate the mill on a cash cost basis with performance guarantees and incentives.

Mountain States Mineral Enterprises is an international process engineering company based in Tucson, Ariz. Mountain States is an acknowledged expert in design and construction of copper processing

facilities and was responsible for the removal of the former Copper Flat mill and reconstruction of that mill at Ok Tedi, Papua New Guinea.

The N. A. Degerstrom agreement calls for Degerstrom to act as the contract miner for the Copper Flat mine, delivering ore to a coarse-ore stock pile and waste to the dumps, on a cash cost basis.

N. A. Degerstrom is an industry recognized and experienced, hard-rock contract miner with a solid reputation for being one of the most efficient operators in the United States. N. A. Degerstrom based in Spokane, Wash., has been in the earth-moving and construction business for over 86 years.

King comments, "With the establishment of these relationships with Mountain States and Degerstrom, we have come one major step closer to fulfilling the plans to bring the Copper Flat mine into full production within 12 to 16 months.

"Paribas Corp., our exclusive investment banking agent who is arranging the financing for the Copper Flat project (see news release of Aug. 2, 1990) supports the relationships with Mountain States and Degerstrom, and like Gold Express, is pleased to see the advancement of the copper project in today's strong copper market.

"On an average annual basis, the Copper Flat project is forecast to produce 41,000,000 pounds of copper, 12,000 ounces of gold, 850,000 pounds of molybdenum and 300,000 ounces of silver. Given the current projected operating costs and with a proven reserve of 53,000,000 tons of open-pit ore at an average grade of 0.45 percent copper, the Copper Flat mine should be a very profitable operation for the next decade."

Gold Express is a publicly owned, diverse mining company trading on the Over-the-Counter NASDAQ market with the symbol GDEX.

CONTACT: John R. King of Gold Express Corp., (303) 770-4845; or Bob Fitzpatrick of Fitzpatrick & Assoc. for Gold Express Corp., (303) 721-7800.

-30- 2919

#90247p1161 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Orion Pictures' powerful and compelling drama, "State of Grace," starring Sean Penn, Ed Harris, Gary Oldman and Robin Wright, opens in selected markets on Sept. 14, 1990.

"State of Grace" is the story of friendship, family, love, loyalty and betrayal in New York's Hell's Kitchen. Terry Noonan (Penn) returns to his childhood neighborhood. There he is pulled in two conflicting directions by two different societies and must choose between his past and the present -- the girlfriend, family, friends, and cold-blooded Irish

street gang he left behind, and the law.

An Orion Pictures Release of a Cinehaus Production, "State of Grace" was directed by Phil Joanou ("Three O'Clock High," "U2: Rattle and Hum") from a screenplay by Dennis McIntyre. Produced by Ned Dowd, Randy Ostrow and Ron Rotholz, the film has a musical score by Ennio Morricone.

"State of Grace" opens on Sept. 14 at the following theaters in Los Angeles: UA Coronet, AMC Century 14, Hollywood Pacific and the Cineplex Beverly Center.

CONTACT: Janet Lonner of Orion Pictures, 213-282-2564

-30- 1271

#90247p1162 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAYNE, NJ (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - GND Holdings Corporation, the indirect parent of the Grand Union Company, one of the nation's largest retail food chains, today announced a 14.3 percent increase in operating cash flow (EBDIAT - earnings before LIFO provision, depreciation and amortization, unusual items, interest and income taxes) for its 16-week first quarter ended July 21, 1990.

EBDIAT totaled $56.7 million for the quarter, a 14.3 percent increase over EBDIAT of $49.6 million for the same period of the prior year. EBDIAT as a percentage of sales was 6.16 percent in the first quarter, compared to 5.49 percent for the same period last year.

The company's continuing improvement in EBDIAT resulted in part from efficiencies as the result of the opening of a new 59,000-square-foot frozen distribution center in Chester, N.Y., and improved buying and merchandising programs.

Sales for the first quarter were $919 million, 1.8 percent increase over sales of $903 million in the prior year. Sales in stores which were operated during the entire periods in both years increased 1.8 percent as well. Net losses for the quarter were $15.56 million versus $16.7 million in the same period last year.

Joseph J. McCaig, president and chief executive officer of Grand Union, said, "Our company's EBDIAT performance during the first quarter exceeded our projections, and we continue to perform above our current financial goals.

"We are confident that our operating results will continue to reflect comparable cash flow growth for the balance of the year as the contribution from major capital projects opened during the first quarter augments the consistent growth in our existing sales base,"

McCaig noted that operating income comparisons with the prior year are not comparable due to the additional non-cash charges associated with last year's acquisition of Grand Union by GND Holdings.

On July 31, McCaig noted, Grand Union entered into an agreement to lease 13 former P&C Food Markets in Vermont and New Hampshire and is now operating those stores as Grand Union food stores. At the same time, a total of five Grand Union stores were sold to satisfy certain conditions related to last year's acquisition of the company imposed by state and federal anti-trust authorities.

In addition, McCaig said, "Our capital expenditure program is on schedule with two new stores, three enlargements and four renovations accomplished during the quarter."

CONTACT: Donald C. Vaillancourt of Grand Union, (201) 890-6100.

-30- 2756

#90247p1171 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MI (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Zeos International, Ltd. (NASDAQ/NMS: ZEOS) today announced that Donald W. Cartwright, the chief operating and financial officer of Zeos, has resigned to pursue other business interests. Cartwright also resigned from the board of directors of Zeos.

Gregory E. Herrick, the chief executive officer of Zeos, expressed his appreciation for Cartwright's services to Zeos over the past one and one-half years as the company's operations have grown from less than $12 million in net sales to over $54 million for the first half of 1990.

William T. Bartley, vice president of operations and Judy L. Larkin, controller, will assume Cartwright's responsibilities in their respective areas until a successor is named. In addition, Cartwright has agreed to provide consulting services to Zeos on a short term basis.

Zeos International, Ltd., manufactures and markets, direct to end users, ISA and EISA (Industry and Extended Industry Standard Architecture) personal computer systems and workstations based on the Intel 80286, 80386 and 80486 microprocessor world wide under the Zeos name. The company also provides contract manufacturing services under the name NPC Electronics and distributes passive electronic components through its Parts1 distribution division.

CONTACT: Greg Herrick of Zeos International, Ltd., 612-633-4591

-30- 1551
#90247p1174 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
COARSEGOLD, CA (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Leading the way for other software developers, Sierra On-Line Inc. (NASDAQ: SIER) announced today that its Japanese subsidiary, Sierra Japan, will release the first in a series of interactive, multi-media software for the Fujitsu FM-Towns CD-ROM computer. The CD-ROM version of 'Mixed-Up Mother Goose' will be available in Japan in late November of 1990.

President and CEO Ken Williams said: "'Mixed-Up Mother Goose' is the first true multi-media product on the market. In addition to the high resolution 256 color graphics, it has digitized voices singing and speaking and speaking all the parts. We have only just begun to develop and market for this field; this is a ground-breaking project for Sierra and for the entire industry."

Utilizing the vast disk storage capabilities of the CD-ROM, this version of 'Mixed-Up Mother Goose' will feature painted background graphics, full voice in both Japanese and English, and animation on a level not previously available.

The release of 'Mixed-Up Mother Goose' in late September will be followed by other interactive multi-media entertainment from Sierra in the coming months.

Sierra develops and publishes interactive adventure software for the high end of the consumer market, including IBM PC, IBM compatibles, Apple, Atari ST and Commodore Amiga systems. The company's products feature high quality graphics, music and sound effects.

CONTACT: Kirk Green, of Sierra On-Line, 209-683-4468

-30- 1694
#90247p1176 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Two studies of McDonnell Douglas' Employee Assistance Program (EAP) have found that the program's personalized approach to helping employees with emotional, mental health and substance abuse problems has reduced health care costs while improving the quality of care employees receive.

One study of a pilot managed health care program that used EAP technology to provide mental health and chemical dependency care showed that the approach reduced per capita mental health and substance abuse costs by 34 percent.

The second report updates a study of EAP cost-effectiveness for 1985 through 1988 that was published last year. The updated results project

that the EAP will save more than $6 million over the next four years in health care costs for employees who entered the program in 1989. This savings is a three to one return on McDonnell Douglas' investment in EAP.

The studies were conducted by Health Strategies Group of Alexander and Alexander Consulting Group, Westport, Conn. Copies of both reports are available upon request.

More than 80 percent of McDonnell Douglas employees who use EAP have mental health or substance abuse problems. The McDonnell Douglas EAP, founded in 1970, serves as a liaison between these employees and health care insurers and providers.

The EAP counselors assess an individual's situation and recommend programs covered by the person's insurance that best suit his or her needs. The counselors then provide personal, long-term case management support for the individual.

This approach was used in the ASSIST pilot program, which involved nearly 7,000 employees of McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co. in Mesa, Ariz., and Culver City, Calif. In the pilot program, mental health and chemical dependency care benefits were separated or "carved out" from employees' medical indemnity or HMO coverage.

A managed behavioral health care system with a small high-quality network of providers, with whom reasonable discounts were negotiated, was established. The EAP then provided the means for individuals to access the system on a personal level and gave each person long-term case management support.

During the first year of the ASSIST program, McDonnell Douglas was able to reduce per capita mental health and substance abuse costs by 34 percent, cut the same costs for employees in the inde/mnity medical plan by 51 percent and provide access to care for employee and dependents enrolled in HMOs for $51 per person. In addition, the 1,172 individual clients and their families served by the program had no significant complaints about the quality and accessibility of care.

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-30- 2946

#90247p1178 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - DWG Corporation (AMEX: DWG) announced today that DWG and Granada Investments, Inc., and certain third-party defendants, including Granada's chairman, Andrew N. Heine, have reached a settlement of both Granada's lawsuit brought derivatively against DWG's directors in the Federal District Court for the Northern District of Ohio and DWG's

counterclaim against Granada and its third-party complaint against the other settling parties.

If approved by Chief Judge Thomas D. Lambros, the settlement will resolve all issues raised in the lawsuit except certain claims by DWG against certain non-settling parties. The settlement was the subject of lengthy negotiations.

Among other things, the settlement provides for certain changes in the corporate governance of DWG. The terms of the settlement are embodied in a Stipulation of Settlement filed with the court, which remains subject to the approval of the court, and will be conveyed to the shareholders of DWG in a notice to be mailed as prescribed by the court.

No date has been set by Judge Lambros for a hearing on the proposed settlement.

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-30- 1393

#90247p1179 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwest Airlines kicks off its 20th anniversary celebration with a $20 One Way Take Along Fare being offered in conjunction with American Express Travel Related Services.

For just $20 one way, a regular fare customer can "take along" a companion to any Southwest Airlines destination, no matter how far away - whether it be from San Antonio to Dallas or from Nashville to San Francisco - when both tickets are purchased with the American Express Card.

The $20 One Way Take Along Fare is available for reservations beginning Sept. 5 for travel from Sept. 6 through Dec. 19, 1990. The fare is good for flights Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 6:59 a.m. plus noon Saturday to noon Sunday.

Reservations are required at least one day in advance, and both passengers must travel on the same itinerary. Both the regular fare and "take along" fare are fully refundable. All segments of travel must be completed by Dec. 19, 1990, and the full fare customer must be 18 or older.

"We think our customers deserve the chance to get away for a long weekend with their spouse or 'significant other,'" said Don Valentine, vice president-sales and marketing for Southwest.

"As a reward for 20 years of patronage, we are telling customers they can pay only $20 one way to take their companion anywhere on our system - with

reservations only ony day in advance and tickets that are fully refundable " Valentine continued.

Southwest Airlines began service in 1971 between Dallas, San Antonio, and Houston. It is now the eighth largest carrier in the nation in terms of passengers carried, and is now a "major airline" by virtue of its over $1 billion in operating revenues for 1989. The $20 One Way Take Along Fare is just one of several celebrations planned for the 1990-91 anniversary year.

"We know that this offers an irresistible opportunity for those customers who are willing to travel when we have the seats available and at the same time increase our traffic during a time when business generally slacks off " concluded Valentine. For further details and reservations, contact the local Southwest Airlines reservations number.

CONTACT: Don Valentine of Southwest Airlines, (214) 904-4524.

-30- 2473

#90247p1180 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Cineplex Odeon Corporation (NYSE: CPX) today reported the completion of the previously announced transaction to sell its 18-screen University City Cinemas in University City, Calif., to Universal City Studios Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of MCA Inc. (NYSE: MCA) of University City, Calif., on the previously stated terms. The theatre will retain the Cineplex Odeon name and will be managed and operated by Cineplex Odeon Corporation on a long-term basis.

As previously disclosed, the sale agreement provided for a 60-day period during which the corporation could solicit third-party bids for the theatre. No such bids were received.

Cineplex Odeon is one of the largest theatre circuits in North America and after giving effect to agreements previously announced, includes approximately 1,530 screens in 390 locations.

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#90247p1182 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Fifteen Nuveen closed-end municipal bonds funds today declared federally tax-free dividends, as follows:

STOCK SYMBOL	AND FUND	DIVIDEND PER SHARE
NUV	Nuveen Municipal Value Fund, Inc.	$ .0595(A)
NCA	Nuveen California Municipal Value Fund, Inc.	$ .0550(A)
NNY	Nuveen New York Municipal Value Fund, Inc.	$ .0563(A)

NMI	Nuveen Municipal Income Fund, Inc.	$ .0700(A)
NCM	Nuveen California Municipal Income Fund, Inc.	$ .0655(A)
NNM	Nuveen New York Municipal Income Fund, Inc.	$ .0675(A)
NPI	Nuveen Premium Income Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0900(A)
NPP	Nuveen Performance Plus Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0850(A)
NCP	Nuveen Cal. Performance Plus Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0850(A)
NNP	Nuveen NY Performance Plus Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0875(A)
NMA	Nuveen Municipal Advantage Fund, Inc.	$ .0910(A)
NMO	Nuveen Municipal Market Opportunity Fund, Inc.	$ .0910(A)
NCO	Nuveen Cal. Municipal Market Opportunity Fund, Inc.	$ .0850(A)
NNO	Nuveen NY Municipal Market Opportunity Fund, Inc.	$ .0875(A)
NQM	Nuveen Investment Quality Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0890(B)

(A) -- The previous dividends of these Nuveen closed-end funds, declared in August, were the same as those declared today.

(B) -- This represents the Nuveen Investment Quality Municipal Fund's initial dividend.

The dividends declared today are payable Oct. 1 to shareholders of record Sept. 15. The ex-dividend date for all funds is Sept. 10. These funds are all closed-end municipal bonds funds paying monthly dividends that are exempt from federal income taxes. In addition, dividends paid by the California and New York funds listed above, are also exempt from state income taxes for residents of those states. Earnings of the funds include income from private activity bonds, which may be subject to the Alternative Minimum Tax for some individuals.

All of the funds are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, except for the Nuveen New York Municipal Income Fund, Inc., which is listed on the American Stock Exchange.

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-30- 2420

#90247p1183 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, VA. (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) today announced that the United States Air Force has purchased a VITAL (Virtual Image Take-Off and Landing) MULTIVIEW visual display system for its latest C-5B aircraft simulator.

The VITAL MULTIVIEW system is built by the McDonnell Douglas Electronic Systems Co. (MDESC). VITAL is the company's line of computer generated visual systems for pilot training. MULTIVIEW is its state-of-the-art cross cockpit viewing system that displays the computer generated images to the pilots training in a simulator. The MULTIVIEW display selected by the Air Force is a five-channel system that will display five separate

images side by side, forming an uninterrupted panoramic field-of-view 225 degrees wide. The resulting picture seen by the aircrew in the simulator is fully collimated. Another MULTIVIEW feature is digital edge blending, which provides a transparent transition between adjacent channels. The MULTIVIEW picture is very bright and sharp because the system uses commercially available 9-inch projection tubes. These CRTs combine high light output with long life at more affordable prices.

"This sale solidifies MULTIVIEW's position in both the commercial and military aircraft simulator market," said Kenneth Anderson, director of MDESC's Visual Simulation Systems Business Center.

McDonnell Douglas will integrate the VITAL MULTIVIEW system with a simulator to be built by CAE in Montreal, Canada. The system will then be delivered to the U.S. Air Force, where it will be integrated with the C-5B crew training systems.

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-30- 1898

#90247p1185 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - IDS Financial Services announced today that Jeffrey E. Stiefler has been named president of the company. Harvey Golub, currently president and chief executive officer, becomes chairman and chief executive officer.

Stiefler, executive vice president of sales and marketing, will retain responsibility for those areas and will have additional responsibility for the company's product areas, namely mutual funds, insurance and annuities, certificates, limited partnerships, tax services, consumer banking and brokerage services. IDS' service quality assurance function will also report to him.

He remains a member of the IDS board of directors and will become a member of the American Express planning and policy committee, a group of senior executives that works with Chairman James D. Robinson, III on issues affecting that company.

In a related move, Golub will become vice chairman of American Express Company, which acquired IDS in 1984. He will be elected to the American Express board of directors and be a member of its finance committee. As vice chairman, he will oversee American Express' corporate finance and strategic planning functions as well as coordinate the planning and policy committee.

As chairman and CEO of IDS, where he's been since October of 1983, Golub

will continue direct responsibility for human resources, investment services, finance, legal, and communications functions and the American Express financial planning business in London, Acuma Ltd.

IDS is America's largest financial planning company. Sales and earnings have grown rapidly since its acquisition by American Express. The company's strategy is to help clients meet their financial goals through financial planning. More than two million individuals, small businesses, and institutions are served through a nationwide field force of 6,200 financial planners.

Golub said that IDS will continue to be committed to its current strategy and that linking the firm's manufacturing, distribution, marketing, and service quality functions together will help the firm execute that strategy even better.

Stiefler joined IDS in 1983 as head of the marketing department. He left in 1986 to become president of Philadelphia Savings Fund Society, the country's largest and oldest savings bank. In 1987, he returned to IDS in his current job.

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#90247p1187 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - S.A. Megeath, III today announced his resignation from the Board of Directors of PLM International Inc. of San Francisco (AMEX: PLM), which he tendered to the company yesterday, Sept. 3, 1990.

In his resignation letter, Mr. Megeath, 44, cited intense disagreement with the board of directors over the company's operations, policies and practices and his unwillingness to accept what he views as significant deviation from sound and responsible management and fiduciary standards.

Megeath said the Board made it impossible for him to fulfill his responsibility to the shareholders by depriving him of information necessary to the fulfillment of his duties as a director. He cited the company's management directors and especially Robert Tidball, PLM International's President and Chief Executive Officer, who has served in this capacity since March 9, 1989.

Megeath said this situation became critical during the past week when the Board removed him from all of his positions in the company, except his directorship, including his positions as Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Board and a member

of the Audit Committee.

Megeath served in those capacities from Oct. 14, 1988 until Aug. 29, 1990. Megeath became Chairman of PLM International immediately after Mark C. Hungerford resigned under pressure brought by all of the then outside directors, for what PLM International described in an SEC filing, dated March 16, 1989 as a misappropriation of company property by him and Transcisco Industries Inc. Hungerford is the Chief Executive and controlling stockholder of Transcisco. Transcisco owns 36 percent of the common stock of PLM International.

Megeath is and has since 1985 been the Managing General Partner of LEF&C Partners of Carson City, Nev., which is engaged in corporate strategic and advisory services, risk capital and investments. From 1979 through 1985, he was Chief Executive Officer of LEF&C Corp. of San Francisco, a diversified company with investments in rail transportation; including ownership of the Lake Erie, Franklin and Clarion Railroad railroad equipment leasing, natural resources, real estate and securities.

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-30- 2533

#90247p1198 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - ARGOSystems Inc. today announced that in response to its tender offer for UTL Corp. (NASDAQ: UTLC) common stock, 3,829,327 shares had been tendered by midnight, Aug. 31 representing 90.6 percent of the outstanding shares. ARGOSystems is purchasing and paying for the shares promptly.

ARGOSystems Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Boeing Co. (NYSE: BA).

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-30- 612

#90247p1200 09/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - AIM Strategic Income Fund Inc. (AMEX: AST) declared on Sept. 4, 1990, a dividend of eight cents ($.08) per share from net investment income to shareholders of record Sept. 14, 1990. Payment date is Sept. 24, 1990.

CONTACT: John J. Arthur of AIM Advisors Inc., 713-626-1919

-30- 475

#90247u0155 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - The Pentagon says the pilot of an Air Force F-16 jet that crashed in the Persian Gulf Tuesday ejected from the plane and escaped injury. The afternoon crash occurred during a routine training mission. The Pentagon says a panel of officers will look into the crash. The plane was deployed to the Middle East as part of Operation Desert Shield.

The 15 percent of voters said to be ''undecided'' in one poll may control the outcome of Tuesday's Democratic gubernatorial primary in Florida. The poll shows former Senator Lawton Chiles leading Representative Bill Nelson 55 percent to 30 percent. The winner will face incumbent Repulican Governor Bob Martinez in November. Recent polls show both Democrats outpolling the Republican in head-to-head matchups.

A plan offered Monday by French President Francois Mitterand would boost the amount of aid the globe's economically advanced nations provide to the world's poorest countries. Mitterand called upon industrialized countries to follow France's lead of funneling two-tenths of one percent of its gross national product to the world's 42 poorest countries.

More than two-dozen animal rights activists were arrested Monday in east-central Pennsylvania for protesting an activity they didN'T think was for the birds. The demonstrators were taken into custody as they tried to disrupt the annual Fred Coleman Memorial Day Pigeon Shoot... a yearly activity in which seven-thousand pigeons are gunned down. Participants each pay 90 dollars to take a crack at birds that are released from cages 32 yards away.

-30- 1740

#90247u0156 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - Former Chilean President Salvador Allende will receive a formal burial Tuesday... exactly 17 years after he died in a bloody coup. Officials of the newly elected Chilean government say the re-burial is ''an act of reparation.'' However, members of the military regime that took power from the socialist leader refer to the reburial as ''grotesque.''

Many students in El Salvador received an UNexpected holiday Monday as an estimated 80 percent of the Central American nation's public school teachers began a five-day strike. The educators remained away from their classrooms to protest controversial educational reforms, as well as to demand a 33-percent pay hike. Currently, the average teacher's salary is 190 dollars a month.

-30- 903

#90247u0211 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
New York	77	55	.583	-	46-22	31-33	8-2	W-7
Pittsburgh	77	56	.579	1/2	38-27	39-29	4-6	W-2
Montreal	70	63	.526	7 1/2	39-27	31-36	6-4	W-1
Chicago	62	71	.466	15 1/2	32-35	30-36	3-7	L-3
Philadel.	62	71	.466	15 1/2	33-31	30-39	5-5	L-1
St. Louis	60	74	.448	18	30-39	30-35	3-7	L-4
West								
Cincinnati	77	56	.579	-	38-26	39-30	7-3	L-1
Los Angeles	71	63	.530	6 1/2	39-28	32-35	6-4	L-1
San Fran.	68	66	.507	9 1/2	36-28	32-38	4-6	W-1
San Diego	61	72	.459	16	32-36	28-37	1-9	L-7
Houston	61	73	.455	16 1/2	40-27	21-46	7-3	W-1
Atlanta	54	80	.403	23 1/2	32-38	22-42	7-3	W-4

-30- 915

#90247u0227 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Eight young men looking for money to get into a dance hall were charged Monday in the stabbing death of a 22-year-old Utah tourist killed on a subway platform as he tried to protect his mother, police said.

Yull Garry Morales, 19, of Queens, and seven other young men were all charged with murder and robbery Monday night, detective Joseph DeMartino of the Midtown North Precinct told a news conference.

The youths were charged in the death of Brian Watkins, 22, of Provo, Utah, who was fatally stabbed as he waited on the D train platform of a midtown Manhattan subway station at 10:20 p.m. Sunday, DeMartino said.

Police believe Morales, who goes by the street name ''Rockstar,'' wielded the knife, DeMartino said.

The others arrested were Anthony Anderson, Emilo Fernandez, 17, whose street name was ''Trauma,'' Louis Fernando Montiero, 20, and Jonnie Hincapie, 18, all of Queens, Pascal Carpenter, 18, of Brentwood, N.Y., Ricardo Nova, 18, who had no known address, Ricardo Lopez, 18, whose address was given tentatively as Queens.

''While waiting for the train the family was approached by a group of males who demanded money,'' DeMartino said. ''A struggle ensued during which Mr. Watkins' father was assaulted and slashed across his buttocks.

''His mother was knocked to the ground and kicked in the head. Brian came

to his parents' aid and was stabbed in the chest. He died on the way to the hospital,'' DeMartino said.

Watkins died at St. Vincent's Hospital at 11 p.m. Sunday. His mother and father, who also were injured, were treated and released from the same hospital.

Todd Watkins, who also came to his mother's aid, and his wife, Michelle, were not injured.

The Watkins family had assisted in the investigation and were planning to stay in New York to assist prosecutors in the case. ''They want to see this thing through. They will be available for the prosecution,'' DeMartino said.

Detectives believe the youths were part of a group that had come from Queens to go to Roseland, a popular Manhattan dance hall, and had attacked the family to get money to enter the hall, DeMartino said.

The men were traced to Roseland just blocks from the subway station. Some were followed there and two were arrested shortly after the incident, said Capt. Steve Davis.

Three others were arrested coming out of Roseland about 4 a.m., shortly after police cleared the club following an unrelated shooting, Davis said.

Morales and Hincapie were arrested late Monday.

The family had been traveling by subway after an evening at the U.S. Tennis Open in nearby Flushing Meadows, for a late dinner at Central Park's Tavern on the Green restaurant, O'Leary said.

The father, Sherman Watkins, 46, was cut in the leg as one mugger slashed his pants pocket to grab a money clip containing $200 and credit cards, and the mother, Karen Watkins, 45, was punched in the mouth, said Sgt. Tina Mohrmann, a police spokeswoman.

Mayor David Dinkins expressed his sympathy to the family.

''Of course we are saddened by this occasion and there is little comfort to this particular family that we have crime and violence elsewhere in this country,'' Dinkins said.

DeMartino said police recovered several weapons, including a knife he described as a sheetrock cutter and a butterfly knife, believed to have been used in the stabbing. A third knife was also recovered.

Police said some of the suspects made statements saying that what started

out as a robbery turned into a stabbing.

Watkins was the 18th person killed in the city's subway system this year, compared with 20 victims by this time in 1989.

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#90247u0238 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 4) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson cf	4	0	0	0	Phillips 2b	4	1	1	0
Fernandez ss	4	0	0	0	Fryman 3b	4	1	2	0
Gruber 3b	0	0	0	0	Trammell ss	4	1	2	3
Mulliniks 3b	2	0	1	0	Fielder 1b	4	1	1	1
Sojo ph-3b	1	0	0	0	GWard lf	3	0	0	0
McGriff 1b	4	0	1	0	Lemon rf	4	0	2	1
Olerud dh	3	0	1	0	Moseby cf	4	0	0	0
Williams dh	1	0	0	0	Coles dh	3	0	0	0
Myers c	3	0	1	0	Heath c	3	1	3	0
Borders ph	1	0	0	0					
Hill lf	4	0	1	0					
Lee 2b	3	0	0	0					
Felix	3	0	1	0					
Totals	33	0	6	0	Totals	33	5	11	5

Toronto	000 000 000- 0
Detroit	200 001 20x- 5

DP-Toronto 1. LOB-Toronto 7, Detroit 5. 2B-Trammell. HR-Fielder (43), Trammell (14). SB-Heath (7).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Key (L 9-7)	6	9	3	3	1	5
Acker	2	2	2	2	0	2
Detroit						
Terrell (W 4-2)	7	4	0	0	0	5
Gleaton	2	2	0	0	0	3

HBP-by Terrell (Gruber). WP-Gleaton. T-2:32. A-33,658.

Umpires-Home, Barnett; 1b, Kosc; 2b, Morrison; 3b, Roe.

First Game

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Newman ss	5	1	2	0	Molitor 1b	4	0	0	0
Liriano 2b	4	0	0	0	Sveum 2b	4	0	0	0
Puckett lf	4	2	3	1	Sheffield 3b	4	0	1	0
Hrbek 1b	4	0	1	0	Parker dh	4	0	1	0
Gaetti 3b	4	0	0	0	Yount cf	3	0	1	0
Harper c	5	2	2	1	Deer rf	3	0	0	0
Mack cf	4	0	2	1	Vaughn lf	3	0	0	0
Sorrento dh	3	1	0	0	McIntosh c	3	0	0	0
Munoz rf	4	0	2	1	Diaz ss	3	0	1	0
Totals	37	6	12	4	Totals	31	0	4	0

Minnesota	200 210 001- 6
Milwaukee	000 000 000- 0

E-Newman, Diaz 2, McIntosh. DP-Minnesota 1, Milwaukee 2. LOB-Minnesota 10, Milwaukee 4. 2B-Newman, Harper. S-Mack.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Guthrie (W 6-7)	9	4	0	0	0	5
Milwaukee						
Knudson (L 10-8)	3 2-3	6	4	4	4	1
August	5 1-3	6	2	1	1	1

WP-August. PB-McIntosh. T-2:22.

Umpires-Home, Garcia; 1b, Meriwether; 2b, Reilly; 3b, Joyce.

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	4	2	1	2	Gallagher lf	3	1	1	0
KGriffy Sr lf	3	0	1	0	McKnight ph	1	0	0	0
Cotto lf	0	0	0	0	Devereaux cf	3	1	0	0
KGriffy Jr cf	5	1	2	0	CRipken ss	3	0	1	0
Davis dh	2	2	1	0	Kittle dh	4	0	0	0
O'Brien 1b	5	0	1	2	Tettleton 1b	4	0	1	0
Briley rf	3	0	0	0	Worthngtn 3b	3	0	1	2
Leonard lf	1	0	1	1	Melvin c	3	0	1	0
Valle c	4	0	0	0	Anderson ph	1	0	0	0
Schaefer 3b	5	0	1	0	BRipken 2b	3	0	1	0
Vizquel ss	5	1	2	0	Orsulak ph	1	0	0	0
					Finley rf	4	0	1	0
Totals	37	6	10	5	Totals	33	2	7	2

Seattle	102 020 001- 6
Baltimore	000 002 000- 2

E-Tettleton, Worthington. DP-Seattle 1, Baltimore 1. LOB-Seattle 12, Baltimore 8. 2B-Davis, O'Brien, Tettleton, Leonard. HR-Reynolds (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Young (W 7-14)	7	5	2	2	4	5
Swift	1	1	0	0	0	1
Jackson	1	1	0	0	0	1
Baltimore						
Telford (L 1-2)	2	5	3	2	4	0
Milacki	2 2-3	3	2	2	1	2
Hickey	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Price	3 1-3	0	1	1	2	3
Bautista	2-3	2	0	0	0	0

Telford faced four batters in 3rd.

Umpires-Home, Craft; 1b, McCoy. 2b, Clark; 3b, Hirschbeck.

T-3:11. A-23,981.

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Polonia lf	3	0	0	0	Kelly cf	3	0	1	0
Downing ph	0	0	0	0	Sax 2b	4	0	1	0
Venable lf	1	1	1	0	Nokes dh	4	0	1	0
Ray 2b	5	0	2	2	Maas 1b	3	0	1	0
Anderson 2b	0	0	0	0	Azocar lf	3	0	0	0
White cf	5	1	1	1	Barfield rf	2	0	0	0
Winfield rf	4	1	0	0	Leyritz 3b	3	0	0	0
Bichette rf	0	0	0	0	Geren c	2	0	0	0
Stevens 1b	4	0	0	0	Cerone c	1	0	0	0
Davis dh	2	1	0	0	Velarde ss	3	0	0	0
Parrish c	2	1	1	1					
Howell 3b	3	1	1	1					
Schofield ss	4	1	1	1					
Totals	33	7	7	6	Totals	28	0	4	0

California	000 006 001- 7
New York	000 000 000- 0

E-Maas, Leyritz. DP-California 2, New York 1. LOB-California 11, New York 3. 2B-Ray, Parrish, Maas, Venable. SB-Kelly (34). S-Stevens. SF-Parrish.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
McCaskill (W 11-9)	6	2	0	0	2	2
Fraser (S 2)	3	2	0	0	0	1
New York						
Leary (L 8-17)	5 1-3	4	5	4	6	7
Cadaret	2-3	1	1	1	1	0
Robinson	2	1	0	0	1	3
Jones	1	1	1	0	2	0

T-3:10. A-27,013.

Umpires-Home, Evans; 1b, Ford; 2b, Welke; 3b, Colbe.

Second Game

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Munoz rf	4	2	2	0	Molitor 2b	5	0	2	2
Newman 2b	5	0	1	1	Yount cf	5	0	0	0
Gaetti 3b	5	1	3	2	Sheffield 3b	4	2	0	0
Harper dh	4	2	2	0	Parker dh	4	0	1	0
Gladden dh	0	2	0	0	Surhoff c	4	1	2	2
Hrbek 1b	5	1	1	0	Vaughn lf	4	0	2	1
Mack cf	4	0	3	5	Brock 1b	3	0	1	0
Castillo lf	2	0	1	1	Felder rf	4	2	3	0
Moses lf	3	0	0	0	Spiers ss	2	0	0	0
Ortiz c	4	0	1	0	Deer ph	1	0	0	0
Leius ss	3	0	1	0	Diaz ss	1	0	0	0
Puckett ph	1	0	1	0					
Liriano 2b	1	1	0	0					
Totals	41	9	16	9	Totals	37	5	11	5

Minnesota	011 001 015- 9
Milwaukee	100 010 120- 5

E-Abbott, Sheffield. DP-Minnesota 1, Milwaukee 1. LOB-Minnesota 9, Milwaukee 7. 2B-Harper, Brock, Gaetti 2, Molitor, Ortiz, Vaughn, Mack. SB-Munoz (1), Felder 2 (16), Molitor (14), Mack (8).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Abbott	5	7	2	1	0	5
Wayne	1 2-3	2	1	1	0	2
Leach	2-3	0	1	1	1	0

Aguilera (W 5-3)	1	2-3	2	1	1	1	0
Milwaukee							
Krueger	5	1-3	7	3	3	2	3
Veres	1	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Crim		1	3	1	1	0	1
Plesac (L 3-7)		1-3	5	5	5	1	0
Mirabella		2-3	0	0	0	1	0

WP-Veres. PB-Ortiz. T-3:32. A-17,110.

Umpires-Home, Meriwether; 1b, Reilly; 2b, Joyce; 3b, Garcia.

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Pecota 3b	3	1	1	0	Bradley lf	2	0	0	0
Seitzer ph	1	0	0	0	Johnson cf	4	0	1	0
McRae cf	4	0	2	0	Calderon dh	4	0	0	0
Brett dh	4	1	1	0	Pasqua rf	3	1	1	0
Tartabull rf	3	0	2	2	Sosa rf	0	1	0	0
Perry 1b	4	0	0	0	Fisk c	4	2	3	1
Eisenreich lf	4	0	0	0	Thomas 1b	3	0	0	1
Stillwell ss	4	0	1	0	Lyons 1b	0	0	0	0
Macfarlane c	3	0	1	0	Ventura 3b	3	0	3	2
White 2b	2	0	0	0	Fletcher 2b	4	0	1	0
Jackson ph	1	0	0	0	Guillen ss	3	0	1	0
Jeltz 2b	0	0	0	0					
Totals	33	2	8	2	Totals	30	4	10	4

Kansas City	200 000 000- 2
Chicago	000 201 01x- 4

DP-Kansas City 2, Chicago 1. LOB-Kansas City 10, Chicago 7. 2B-Brett, Tartabull, Fisk. HR-Fisk (15). SB-Bradley (16), Johnson (27), Sosa (24). S-McRae. SF-Thomas, Ventura.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Appier (L 11-5)	7	9	3	3	1	4
Montgomery	1	1	1	1	0	1
Chicago						
King	4	5	2	2	1	2
Edwards (W 4-3)	2 2-3	1	0	0	1	2
Jones	1 1-3	1	0	0	1	1
Thigpen (S 47)	1	1	0	0	0	0

King pitched to 2 batters in the 5th.

HBP-by Appier (Bradley), by King (White), by Edwards (Macfarlane), by Montgomery (Sosa). PB-Macfarlane. T-3:08. A-25,236.

Umpires-Home, Cooney; 1b, Brinkman; 2b, Cousins; 3b, Reed.

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
RHendersn lf	4	2	2	1	Reed 2b	4	1	0	0
McGee cf	4	1	2	2	Quintana 1b	5	0	1	0
Canseco rf	5	0	0	0	Boggs 3b	3	0	0	0
Baines dh	4	0	0	0	Burks cf	4	0	1	0
Blanknshp dh	1	0	0	0	Greenwell lf	4	1	2	1
Lansford 3b	4	1	0	0	Brunansky rf	4	2	1	2
McGwire 1b	2	2	1	2	Marshall dh	4	1	2	2
Steinbach c	1	1	1	3	Pena c	3	0	1	0
Quirk c	1	0	0	0	Rivera ss	3	0	1	0
Randolph 2b	2	1	0	0	Heep ph	1	0	0	0
Gallego ss	3	1	0	0					
Totals	31	9	6	8	Totals	35	5	9	5

Oakland	500 000 130- 9
Boston	100 200 020- 5

E-Greenwell. DP-Oakland 1. LOB-Oakland 5, Boston 6. 2B-Burks, Rivera, Marshall, Greenwell. HR-Steinbach (8), Marshall (3), RHenderson (24), Brunansky (10). SB-RHenderson (55), McGee (2). S-Quirk.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Sanderson (W 14-9)	5	6	3	3	1	3
Nelson	2	1	0	0	0	2
Honeycutt	2-3	1	1	1	1	0
RHarris	1 1-3	1	1	1	1	1
Boston						
Kiecker (L 6-7)	2-3	4	5	5	1	1
Lamp	4 1-3	0	0	0	2	5
Gardner	2 1-3	1	4	4	5	4
Hesketh	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	1

HBP-by Gardner (Gallego). WP-Kiecker, Lamp, Hesketh. T-3:22. A-34,692.

Umpires-Home, McClelland; 1b, Denkinger; 2b, Shulock; 3b, Merrill.

CLEVELAND TEXAS

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Cole Jr cf	3	0	1	0	Pettis cf	4	2	2	1
Browne 2b	4	0	0	0	Daugherty lf	4	1	2	1
DJames 1b	3	0	0	0	Belcher lf	1	0	0	0
Webster ph	1	1	1	1	Palmeiro 1b	3	0	1	0
Maldonado lf	4	1	1	0	Haselman ph	1	0	0	0
CJames dh	3	0	1	0	JoRussell 1b	0	0	0	0
Jacoby 3b	4	0	0	1	Sierra dh	4	0	1	2
Snyder rf	3	0	0	0	Franco 2b	4	0	1	0
Skinner c	3	0	0	0	Petralli c	3	1	1	0
Fermin ss	3	0	0	0	Gonzalez rf	4	1	2	1
					Buechele 3b	3	1	1	0
					Huson ss	2	0	0	1
					Stanley ph	1	0	0	0
					Green ss	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	2	4	2	Totals	34	6	11	6

Cleveland 000 100 001- 2
Texas 002 022 00x- 6

E-Browne, Cole Jr. DP-Cleveland 1. LOB-Cleveland 4, Texas 9. 2B-Sierra, Petralli. 3B-Maldonado. HR-Webster (12). SB-Cole Jr (24), Buechele (1), Pettis 2 (32). S-Huson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Walker (L 1-5)	5	7	6	4	3	4
Olin	1 2-3	4	0	0	1	0
EValdez	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Texas						
Ryan (W 13-7)	8	2	1	1	2	8
Barfield	1-3	1	1	1	0	0
Arnsberg	2-3	1	0	0	0	1

Walker pitched to 2 batters in the 6th.

T-2:34. A-14,154.

Umpires-Home, Johnson; 1b, Young; 2b, McKean; 3b, Voltaggio.

-30- 13131

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TOKYO (SEPT. 4) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze called Tuesday for an international conference to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis without resorting to force in the Middle East, local news reports said.

Shevardnadze, delivering a policy speech in Vladivostok, said the gulf crisis should be resolved through non-military means and the foreign military presence should be eliminated from the region, Kyodo News Service reported.

Shevardnadze apparently provided no details nor timetable for the proposed conference.

The Soviet Union has supported U.N. sanctions against Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, but Moscow has been critical of the U.S. military buildup in Saudi Arabia and Middle East waters in an effort to deter an Iraqi attack on the oil-rich kingdom.

During his policy speech, Shevardnadze also proposed a conference of Asian and Pacific nations' foreign ministers be held in Vladivostok in 1993 to discuss establishing a security forum in the region, local news reports said.

He proposed to hold a preparatory session among the foreign ministers in New York where the United Nations General Assembly will be held this month the reports said.

Shevardnadze also said he hoped to see progress in talks between South and North Korea.

The Soviet foreign minister is due to arrive Japan Tuesday evening for talks with his Japanese counterpart, Taro Nakayama, during a four- day visit to Japan.

-30- 1653

#90247u0245 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

FALLON, Nev. (SEPT. 4) UPI - A light plane lost power on takeoff and crashed in a field, killing one person and injuring four others, including Republican candidates for lieutenant governor and treasurer in Tuesday's primary election.

State Sen. Sue Wagner, a front-runner for lieutenant governor, and Robert Seale, a GOP candidate for state treasurer, were seriously injured in the Monday crash and flown to Washoe Medical Center in Reno for treatment. Seale's wife, Judy, who was the co-pilot of the plane, was killed.

Wagner and Seale, both listed in serious condition Monday night, suffered multiple trauma, concussions, and serious lung injuries, said a spokeswoman at Washoe Medical Center. Hospital attendants said both Wagner and Seale were conscious when they were airlifted 60 miles from the crash site to Reno.

Wagner also suffered spinal fractures, said the hospital spokeswoman. Seale suffered facial injuries, a fractured wrist and two broken ankles. Both Wagner and Seale ''are improving'', said the hospital spokeswoman.

Undersheriff Greg Nelson said the wreckage, near Rattlesnake Reservoir, was scattered over a large area. The plane's left wing was torn off and the fuselage was badly damaged. The crash occurred shortly after noon about 3 miles northwest of the Fallon airport in western Nevada.

Stephanie Tyler, a campaign aide to Wagner, also was injured in the crash. She said Seale was piloting the Cessna 411 twin-engine plane when it lost power shortly after takeoff.

''It never got full power,'' she said. ''He (Seale) was turning around and one engine started to smoke.''

Tyler said Seale ''did a hell of a job'' in trying to control the plane. After the crash, she said she was able to get free of the wreckage. Another passenger, Brian Krolicki, an aide to Seale, was thrown clear of the plane. But Tyler said Wagner, Seale and his wife were pinned in the wreckage.

Krolicki walked 2 miles to a ranch house where he phoned for help. Both Tyler and Krolicki were taken to the Churchill County Regional Medical Center.

Tyler, who suffered a broken vertebra, was later taken by ambulance to Washoe Medical Center. Krolicki suffered cuts on the back of his head but was treated and released, though he accompanied Tyler in the ambulance to Reno.

Wagner and Seale had been campaigning at the Labor Day festivities in Fallon. They had taken off for Carson City, about 60 miles to the west, to attend the traditional GOP Labor Day picnic later in the day.

Ironically, Wagner's husband, Pete, an electronics engineer at the Desert Research Institute, was killed in a plane crash in March 1980 in a cloud seeding flight during a weather modification program in the Sierra Nevada mountains.

Wagner, 50, is an odds-on favorite to win the GOP primary Tuesday against anti-abortion candidate Andy Anderson. She has served in the Nevada Legislature since 1975, first in the Assembly and in the Senate since 1981.

She is special assistant to president of Desert Research Institute of the University of Nevada in Reno.

Seale, 48, certified public accountant from Reno, is running for state Treasurer against incumbent Ken Santor in the Tuesday primary election.

Political leaders, including Gov. Bob Miller, a Democrat, and Senate Majority Leader William Raggio, R-Reno, showed up at the hospital to see how they could help. Miller assisted in locating and notifying Wagner's daughter, Kristina, and son, Kirk, who were away at college.

-30- 3711

#90247u0268 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 4) UPI - The Tokyo stock market put on a repeat performance Tuesday, dropping by 2 percent in thin trading.

The Nikkei average of 225 selected shares dropped 512.79 points, or 2.0 percent, to end the day at 24,907.64. The market's leading indicator fell 557.94 points Monday, equivalent to 2.1 percent of the Nikkei as it stood at the end of last week.

The broader Tokyo Stock Price Index plummeted 35.54 points to close at 1,910.38. TOPIX, which measures all major shares, had fallen 28.05 points the day before.

Volume continued to be low with an estimated 330 million shares changing hands, compared with 368.96 million Monday.

Buying interest dried up as investors of all types retreated to the sidelines to await new developments, brokers said.

The combination of investment-fund purchases and dealer buying that drove the market up over 7 percent last week disappeared Monday, brokers said.

This in turn discouraged individual investors.

Concern about the Middle East continued to plague the market, said analyst Masashi Kubota of Kokusai Securities.

''There's a tenseness in the market as the Middle East news flows out to us,'' he said.

Investors have given up hope of a diplomatic breakthrough in the immediate future, brokers said.

The market was also hurt by another rise in bond yields. The yield on the benchmark Japanese government bond inched up 0.015 percentage points to 8.130 percent.

Declining stocks eclipsed advances by about 8:1.

Selling centered on large-capital and blue chip stocks. Especially hard-hit were steel, shipbuilding, machinery and electric issues.

What little buying there was focused on smaller, incentive-backed issues, that is, those with potentially high earnings or gratis dividends.

-30- 1969

#90247u0282 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the morning news from United Press International:

Diplomats are having problems getting more foreign women and children out of Iraq and occupied Kuwait. Iraqi officials insist that if other countries send planes to pick foreigners up, Iraq should be able to send planes abroad to ferry its citizens to Baghdad. Western diplomats insist that would violate the U-N sanctions against Iraq.

An 18-year-old college student, a suspect in the five grisly Gainesville, Florida, co-ed murders has a bond hearing today. Edward Humphrey is being held on assault charges for beating his grandmother. His lawyer will demand a bond reduction unless more serious charges are brought. Classes resume at the University of Florida in Gainesville today.

Two Republican candidates in today's Nevada primary were injured yesterday in a light plane crash at Fallon, Nevada. They were Sue Wagner, a front-runner in the race for lieutenant governor, and Robert Seale, a candidate for treasurer. Both were seriously injured. Seale's wife, Judy, the co-pilot was killed. Two others were injured.

Florida Democrats choose a gubernatorial candidate in a primary today. The choice is between former Senator Lawton Chiles and Representative Bill Nelson. The Florida Newspaper Poll says Chiles is leading. The Republican candidate is incumbent Governor Bob Martinez.

About 100 wounded war veterans took over the national television station in Nicaragua yesterday and forced it off the air. Most of them were in wheelchairs. The veterans demand higher pensions and an audience with the president. The disabled Nicaraguan veterans now get a pension of 25 dollars a month.

-30- 1880

#90247u0288 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - Another trial begins today in northeast Ohio's cult slayings. 19- year-old Damon Paul Lundgren will be tried for the kidnappings and murders of a man and wife and their three daughters.

Damon's father, a cult leader, and his mother were convicted in previous trials.

New York City police have charged eight young men in the weekend stabbing death of a 22-year-old tourist from Utah in a subway station. The police say the suspects robbed the man's family for money to get into a Manhattan dance hall. The youths- aged 17 to 20- were charged with murder and robbery.

Air Force meteorologists predict an 80 percent chance of acceptable conditions for Thursday's scheduled launch of the shuttle Columbia. The countdown resumed yesterday. Today, engineers are pumping in fuel to produce electricity for the shuttle. Rocket fuel is to be loaded tomorrow.

City officials in Virginia Beach, Virginia, say the weekend Laborfest '90 was a success. Laborfest '90 was an organized event put on for thousands of black college students to prevent violence such as occurred last Labor Day weekend. The officials say there were NO major incidents during the weekend.

The annual Labor Day Muscular Dystrophy Telethon raised more than 44-Million dollars. The 21-hour telethon hosted by Jerry Lewis exceeded last year's pledges by two-Million dollars. Some 200 television stations carried the show, which was broadcast from the Aquarius Theater in Hollywood.

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#90247u0310 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - A 10-year-old boy standing on a Brooklyn street was shot and wounded by a stray bullet, police said Tuesday.

The boy was the 13th shot by stray gunfire since July 22 in the city's violent summer. Five of those children have died.

The child, who was not identified, was shot in the right shoulder as he stood at a street corner in the Brownsville section, said Sgt. Mary Wrensen, a police spokeswoman.

''After he was shot, he ran about one block east and then collapsed,'' Wrensen said.

The boy was taken to Brookdale Hospital where he was in stable condition and was expected to live, Wrensen said.

Witnesses said they heard five gun shots fired at the time of the shooting Wrensen said.

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#90247u0315 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (SEPT. 4) UPI - Two top resistance leaders said Tuesday they will skip planned peace talks in Jakarta unless Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen reverses his decision to stay away, threatening the talks with collapse before they even start.

The Jakarta talks, meant to set up a joint national council and discuss a U.N. peace plan, had been seen as a good chance to take advantage of rare superpower agreement on how to end the 11-year-old conflict.

The squabbles over who would attend the meeting scheduled to start Thursday have underlined the difficulties of working out a lasting settlement in Cambodia.

Tuesday, Hun Sen, leader of the Vietnamese-installed government, announced he would not attend the talks because top resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk declined to participate.

A Sihanouk official explained that the prince was not attending the meeting because it was only the initial step in what would be a long negotiating process expected to culminate in Paris.

Sihanouk nominated his son and army commander Prince Norodom Ranariddh to take his place.

That sparked Hun Sen's decision to send a minister attached to his office in his place and set off a chain reaction of cancellations.

Khieu Samphan, nominal leader of the Khmer Rouge - the most powerful of the three resistance groups - distributed a statement that said he had been ready to go to Jakarta until hearing of Hun Sen's change of plans.

He said he would go to Jakarta for the meeting ''whenever Hun Sen accepts to join it.''

''Hun Sen's boycott of the meeting shows that Vietnam and Hun Sen are not sincere in the search (for) a solution to put an end to the Vietnamese war of aggression,'' the statement said.

Khieu Samphan said Hun Sen's failure to attend the meaning also showed that he did not accept the U.N. peace plan.

That plan, worked out by Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the United States, provided for separation and disarmament of all forces, a massive U.N. supervisory role and free general elections.

Ranariddh then made a similar announcement on the resistance radio station Voice of the Khmer.

The radio said Ranariddh regretted Hun Sen's decision not to attend and would therefore also stay away, sending a lower-ranking official in his place.

The cancellations frustrated diplomats and officials who have labored to solve the long-running conflict.

''If they don't go to the meeting, we would be disappointed,'' said Thai government spokesman Suvit Yodmanee.

''But it's their funeral - really their people's funeral,'' he said.

Fighting has stepped up in Cambodia in the past 11 months since Vietnam withdrew most, if not all of its combat troops from Cambodia in September 1989.

The Vietnamese-backed government still controls most of the population, but it has not been able to stop guerrilla attacks deep inside the country.

Vietnam invaded Cambodia in 1978, ousting the Khmer Rouge government that was blamed for border attacks on Vietnam and harsh policies that led to the deaths of more than 1 million Cambodians.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING (Minimum 335 at-bats)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	410	98	134	.327
Brett, KC	461	73	147	.319
Palmeiro, Tex	488	59	155	.318
Trammell, Det	497	66	156	.314
Burks, Bos	475	77	148	.312
Harper, Min	411	57	128	.311
Boggs, Bos	520	78	161	.310
McGriff, Tor	450	80	139	.309
Parker, Mil	509	63	157	.308
Puckett, Min	460	76	141	.307

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.

Dykstra, Phi	494	91	169	.342
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Magadan, NY	355	60	117	.330
Gwynn, SD	529	70	165	.312
Murray, LA	459	76	143	.312
Grace, Chi	489	56	152	.311
Bonds, Pit	427	89	131	.307
Larkin, Cin	513	72	157	.306
Mitchell, SF	451	81	138	.306
Dawson, Chi	435	54	133	.306

HOME RUNS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 43; Canseco, Oak 35; McGwire, Oak 33; McGriff, Tor 31; Deer, Mil 26.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi and Mitchell, SF 31; Strawberry, NY and Bonilla, Pit 30; Williams, SF 27.

RUNS BATTED IN

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 112; Canseco, Oak and McGwire, Oak 89; Gruber, Tor 88; Parker, Mil 85.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Williams, SF 101; Carter, SD 99; Bonds, Pit 97; Bonilla, Pit 94; Strawberry, NY 90.

DOUBLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Jo.Reed, Bos 42; Brett, KC 40; Harper, Min 38; Boggs, Bos and Calderon, Chi 37.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Jefferies, NY 37; Dykstra, Phi 35; Wallach, Mtl and Johnson, NY 33; McGee, StL 32.

TRIPLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fernandez, Tor 16; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos 8; Johnson, Chi, Eisenreich, KC and Pettis, Tex 7.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Duncan, Cin 11; Coleman, StL 9; Smith, Atl 8; Dunston, Chi, Thompson, StL and Gwynn, SD 7.

STOLEN BASES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 55; Sax and Kelly, NY 34; Pettis, Tex 31; Calderon, Chi 29.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 51; Bonds, Pit 43; Nixon, Mtl 41; Raines, Mtl 40.

RUNS SCORED

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 98; Fielder, Det 89; Yount, Mil 82; Phillips, Det 81; McGriff, Tor 80.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Bonilla, Pit 101; Sandberg, Chi 96; Dykstra, Phi 91; Bonds, Pit 89; Gant, Atl and Sabo, Cin 86.

HITS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Boggs, Bos 161; Griffey Jr., Sea 159; Parker, Mil and Trammell, Det 156; Palmeiro, Tex 155.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Dykstra, Phi 169; McGee, StL 168; Gwynn, SD 165; Sandberg, Chi, Larkin, Cin 157; Wallach, Mtl 156.

VICTORIES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Welch, Oak 22; Clemens, Bos 20; Finley, Cal, Stewart, Oak and Stieb, Tor 17.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Drabek, Pit 18; Viola, NY 17; Martinez, LA 16; Gooden, NY 15; Seven pitchers tied with 12.

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 115 innings pitched)

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 1.95; Finley, Cal 2.43; Stewart, Oak 2.81; McCaskill, Cal 2.85; Appier, KC 2.86.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Darwin, Hou 2.14; Charlton, Cin 2.19; Whitson, SD 2.31; Tudor, StL 2.54; Drabek, Pit 2.69; Viola, NY 2.72; De.Martinez, Mtl 2.92.

STRIKEOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 198; Ryan, Tex 189; Witt, Tex 181; Hanson, Sea 168; Langston, Cal and Johnson, Sea 164.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 190; Cone, NY 181; Gooden, NY 174; Smoltz, Atl and DeLeon, StL 148.

SAVES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Thigpen, Chi 47; Eckersley, Oak 41; Jones, Cle 34; Schooler, Sea 30; Olson, Bal and Righetti, NY 29.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Franco, NY 31; Myers, Cin 27; L.Smith, StL and Lefferts, SD 22; Smith, Hou 21.

COMPLETE GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Stewart, Oak 8; Clemens, Bos, Brown, Tex and Morris, Det 7; Gordon, KC, Leary, NY and Young, Sea 6.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 8; Maddux, Chi, Drabek, Pit and Viola, NY 7; Smoltz, Atl, Morgan, LA, De.Martinez, Mtl, Whitson and Hurst, SD 6.

SHUTOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 4; Appier, KC and Stewart, Oak 3; Eleven pitchers tied with 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner and Boyd, Mtl, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3.

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SEOUL, South Korea (SEPT. 4) UPI - North Korean Prime Minister Yon Hyong-muk arrived in Seoul Tuesday for unprecedented talks with his South Korean counterpart, Kang Young-hoon, on how to improve relations and push unification of the two Koreas divided for 45 years.

Yon and six other North Korean officials crossed the border about 10 a.m. at the truce village of Panmunjom, 35 miles north of Seoul, accompanied by 33 support personnel and a 50-member press corps.

The Northern delegation in an arrival statement issued through a spokesman hoped to meet family members of South Korean dissidents jailed for unauthorized trips to the North.

''We came to Seoul seeking reconciliation and unity as one nation. We came to open the door to national reunification together,'' the statement said. ''National reunification can not be achieved by relying on foreign influences, by efforts of either side alone or by the powers of (government) authorities only.

''To open the door to reunificiation, a state of political and military confrontation must be brought to an end as soon as possible and projects promoting reconciliation and unity must be pushed actively.''

While promising proposals for peaceful reunification, the North Korean statement referred to Presbyterian pastor Moon Ik-hwan, student Im Su-kyong and Catholic priest Moon Kyu-hyun serving prison terms of seven

to five years for illegal visits to North Korea.

''Our stay is short, but we hope to meet and exchange views with leading personalities in politics and various social strata. We also hope to see the family members of those jailed for visits to the North and convey sympathies from the North Korean people,'' it said.

Yon was all smiles as he crossed into the South and received a lei from a child from Seoul in traditional Korean dress.

While the North Korean officials were driving through Seoul, a traffic accident occurred and two of the Northern delegates suffered slight injuries, a spokesman for the Seoul side said.

Kang met his guest at the Intercontinental Hotel in southern Seoul where the North Koreans arrived around noon. The two prime ministers shook hands and went up to Yon's room and chatted for about 10 minutes.

The 34-story hotel will be the official quarters and meeting place for the delegates attending the prime ministers meeting, the highest- level contact ever between South and North Korea divided in 1945.

The first session of the prime ministers talks will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday and open to news coverage. A second meeting will take place Thursday in private.

The agreed agenda is a comprehensive one - how to end political and military confrontation and promote many-sided exchanges and cooperation between the two sides.

Seoul officials said the they ''will try to achieve substantive results by offering relatively easy-to-implement projects for exchanges and cooperation while keeping away from any moves that would likely embarrass or annoy the North Koreans.''

North Korea, meanwhile, has indicated through official news outlets that it is more interested in military issues such as the questions of arms control and a non-aggression pact including the withdrawal of 43,000 U.S. troops stationed in South Korea.

North Korea has also listed as a major issue the question of U.N. membership for the two Koreas. Seoul prefers simultaneous but separate membership for both sides but the North insists that the South and the North share a single seat in the world body because separate membership could perpetuate Korea's division.

Following the Thursday session, Yon and other official North Korean delegates are scheduled to pay a courtesy call on President Roh Tae-woo.

The North Koreans will return home Friday.

Under an exisiting agreement, the second round of the prime ministers talks will be held in Pyongyang, the North Korean capital, Oct. 16-19. Subsequent meetings will take place alternately in the two capitals on dates yet to be set.

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#90247u0398 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - Flash flood watches were in effect across the Southwest Tuesday as thunderstorms with heavy rain and high winds blanketed the area and clear, warm weather covered much of the nation.

The storms in California, Arizona and Nevada came on the heels of a sudden electric storm that hit Boulder City in southern Nevada Monday evening, setting on fire a supermarket and a residence.

The storm surprised 100,000 Labor Day visitors to the Lake Mead Recreational Area behind Hoover Dam, near Las Vegas, where rangers broadcast marine warnings to boaters shortly before 50-mph winds hit. On land, sheets of rain forced motorists to the side of the road.

The storm was churned up from a low-pressure area over northern Mexico, and in the metropolitan Phoenix area the same storm brought high winds Monday night that uprooted trees, flooded streets and downed power poles.

The National Weather Service warned Arizonans to watch the sky, stay out of flash-flood prone areas and to stay away from objects that attract lightning.

Thunderstorms continued into Tuesday throughout southern Nevada and flood watches were posted for Lincoln and Clark counties, but the storms eased toward daybreak.

A flash flood watch was posted Tuesday for the eastern half of San Bernardino County in Southern California as isolated, heavy thunderstorms hit the desert areas.

The storms contained gusty winds that reached 45 mph and frequent lightning as they continued through the morning. A second area of storms was located in northern Baja and in the mountains of San Diego County.

A weak high pressure system brought cloudiness to the South and some scattered thunderstorm along the North Carolina coast, Tennessee, Mississippi and Alabama.

Memphis, Tenn., received up to half an inch of rain, dropping temperatures from a record 100 degrees to the lower 70s. The heat remained in Mississippi, with Columbus and Meridian both reaching 101 degrees and Jackson, Tupelo and Greenwood recording 100.

The Midwest had a variety of weather ranging from cool temperatures with rain in Michigan, to hot sun and highs in the 90s in Illinois, and clear skies covered most of the rest of the region.

Thousands of children returning for the first day of school in the Northeast did so with cool temperatures and clear skies.

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#90247u0416 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (SEPT. 4) UPI - A move to bar Iraq from this month's Asian Games to avert a boycott by some Arab nations has left host China struggling to avoid an embarrassing political confrontation, officials acknowledged Tuesday.

Senior Chinese sports officials, at a news conference, said they were still studying the implications of a telex sent to Asian Games nations by the Olympic Council of Asia to poll them on whether Iraq should be excluded from the competition.

''No one is very clear,'' said Wei Jizhong, director of the Liaison Department of the Beijing Asian Games Organizing Committee, when asked about the procedure under which Iraq could be excluded. ''It will call for consultations.''

With the OCA counting major Arab and Persian Gulf countries among its 38 members who will participate, the fallout on the Games from the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait last month appears to have paralyzed Chinese officials fearing it could mar the event.

The two-week extravaganza beginning Sept. 22 is China's first major international competition. The government sees it as a means of recovering national prestige lost when Chinese troops brutally crushed the democracy movement last year.

But after Arab nations indicated they might boycott the Games if Iraq participates, the Olympic Council of Asia's secretary general, C.L. Mehta, sent telexes last week to Games nations asking if Iraq should be barred. Replies are due by Thursday.

''It is not very clear if this is a sounding out of views or asking for a vote,'' Wei said, noting the Iraqi Olympic Committee had demanded an OCA meeting before any decision is taken.

''At this moment we are studying the (OCA) constitution in line with his telex,'' he said. ''As for a boycott, sports circles in the international community do not want such a boycott to happen.''

Officials said none of the OCA nations had yet withdrawn over the gulf crisis, but they refused to say whether China would support barring Iraq even to avoid a boycott or a confrontation during the Games if Iraq attends.

''The International Olympic Committee does not stand for introducing political disputes into sports,'' said Wu Zhongyuan, deputy secretary-general of the Beijing organizing committee.

''Likewise, the Chinese Olympic Committee and the Asian Games Organizing Committee do not stand for it,'' he said.

Chinese officials are known to be horrified over the prospect of an embarrassing political dispute just before the Games, but Wu insisted that a number of technical problems caused by the gulf crisis ''will not affect the Games in a fundamental way.''

Officials said Iraq has entered 12 events with a delegation of 95 athletes and officials, and an Iraqi soccer team is already in Beijing.

Kuwait, whose athletes were training outside the country when the invasion occurred, has also entered five events, with its application sent by officials from exile in Saudi Arabia.

Jordan, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Syria and other nations directly or indirectly involved have also submitted entries, they said.

Zhu Zhangling, another organizing committee official, said all 38 OCA countries and territories had agreed to take part and 37 have sent in full applications with namelists of delegations, totaling nearly 6,500 athletes and officials.

The committee has not yet received a complete entry from Palestine, which the council recognizes as an independent entity, apparently because its application was sent via a route that was disrupted, Zhu said.

''The Palestinians mailed it to us through Kuwait,'' Zhu said. ''So maybe it's on the way.''

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#90247u0477 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 4) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze

traveled to Tokyo Tuesday to lay the groundwork for a historic visit by his boss, Mikhail Gorbachev, next year.

Before his departure from Vladivostok for the four-day visit to Japan, Shevardnadze reportedly called for an international conference to deal with the Persian Gulf crisis. The Middle East is one of many subjects Shevardnadze, who arrived in Tokyo Tuesday evening, is expected to discuss with his Japanese counterpart, Taro Nakayama.

But the Japanese are mainly hoping they can make Gorbachev's 1991 visit the occasion for ending a territorial dispute that has kept Japan lagging behind Western nations in rapprochement with the Soviets.

On the eve of Shevardnadze's arrival, Eiji Suzuki, head of one of Japan's most influential business organizations, said Japan should show more flexibility in dealing with the Soviets.

The Japanese and Soviets have never made a formal peace following the end of World War II. Their relations have stalemated over four island territories off the eastern tip of Hokkaido, Japan's northernmost main island.

At the end of World War II the Soviet Union seized the islands - roughly comparable in size to Oahu, Maui and their surrounding islands in Hawaii - and expelled the 17,000 Japanese who lived there.

Japan has been demanding the return of the islands ever since. But the Soviets say Japan lost all rights to the territories when it gave up claims to the Kuril Islands in the 1951 San Francisco Peace Treaty it signed with the United States.

The islands have little economic importance, apart from the fishing waters around them, but carry tremendous emotional significance for the Japanese.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, who won recognition of Japan's ''Northern Territories'' claim at the Houston Summit in July, told a political rally Monday the issue cannot be set aside for the sake of better relations with the Soviets.

Japan has reportedly offered a 10-point plan to swap return of the islands for various points of cooperation, including help for victims of the 1986 Chernobyl nuclear disaster.

Kaifu warned fellow members of his Liberal Democratic Party against optimism for a quick settlement.

The Soviet Union, while eager for Japanese aid, fears that surrendering territory in the Far East could compound its troubles with breakaway

republics, analysts said.

But both sides are clearly maneuvering to make a deal.

Japan balked at economic aid to the Soviets during the Houston summit but will probably offer what it is terming ''intellectual cooperation'' in management training to Moscow during Shevardnadze's visit.

To sweeten the pot, Kaifu has reportedly persuaded the Defense Agency to delete its stock references to the Soviet Union as a ''threat'' in its annual white paper, due out this month.

The Soviets, who for decades denied the existence of the dispute have floated various compromise proposals under the rubric of ''a third way.''

Among these have been hints at joint administration of the islands and a suggestion they be turned over to U.N. trusteeship.

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#90247u0541 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - Seven buses carrying more than 300 British citizens left Kuwait City early today on a 500-mile trip to Baghdad. The B-B-C says the 148 women and 155 children are hoping to receive exit visas so they can leave Iraq for the West after being trapped for more than one month in occupied Kuwait. The caravan was organized by the British Embassy.

The New York Times reports the United States has secretly deployed combat aircraft to several Persian Gulf nations to help defend Saudi Arabia against Iraqi forces poised near the kingdom's border. Only a few of the deployments have been publicly disclosed because of the gulf nations' continued sensitivity about inviting the U-S military into their countries.

A 10-year-old boy who was standing on a Brooklyn street has become the 13th child shot by stray gunfire in New York City since July 22nd. Police say the UNidentified child was hit in the right shoulder as he stood at a corner in the Brownsville section. Police say the child ran about one block and collapsed. He's hospitalized in stable condition and is expected to live.

New York City police say eight young men are charged with murder and robbery in the stabbing death of a 22-year-old Utah tourist who was killed as he tried to protect his mother. Police say the attackers apparently were looking for money to get into a Manhattan dance hall when they attacked the family on a subway platform Sunday night. Police say they believe 18-year-old Yull Garry Morales wielded the knife.

Police in Jacksonville, Florida, say three gunmen who held an UNknown

number of hostages inside a Red Lobster restaurant surrendered early this morning. The hostage drama began during an aborted robbery attempt last night. Authorities say they were notified of the robbery when a witness saw a man with a shotgun go into the back of the restaurant.

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#90247u0623 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - Relief officials in Jordan are pleading for international help for some 80-thousand refugees who fled Iraq and Kuwait and can NOT get home. They say food, medicine and shelter are needed. It is the largest refugee repatriation effort since World War Two.

A bus convoy carrying some 300 British women and children left Kuwait City on a 500-mile trip across the desert to Baghdad today. The group has been trapped in occupied Kuwait for one month and is seeking exit visas to get out of Iraq.

A Kuwaiti ship is being held at port in Newark, New Jersey. Port Authority police said it was detained by Customs officials, but Customs officials would NOT say why.

Three gunmen held hostages at a Red Lobster restaurant in Jacksonville, Florida, through the night, but surrendered early this morning. The incident apparently started when a holdup attempt failed.

Classes resume at the University of Florida in Gainesville today. College officials say they are trying to make conditions as normal as possible despite concern over the five young people found slain last week near the school.

At Cape Canveral, NASA workers plan to load fuel for the space shuttle Columbia's electrical generators today. The launch date is now set for Thursday. Seven astronauts are to spend 10 days in space on an astronomy mission.

Eight young men have been charged with attacking a visiting Utah family in a New York City subway station Sunday and stabbing one 22- year-old tourist to death. Police say the motive was to get money to go to a Manhattan dance hall.

French President Francois Mitterrand says France will give two-tenths of one percent of its gross domestic product to help poor nations. Mitterrand made the pledge yesterday in Paris as he opened a conference on poor nations.

A delegation from North Korea, led by the prime minister, arrived in Seoul today for talks with the South Korean government. The official talks on

re-uniting the two nations start tomorrow.

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#90247u0633 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 4) UPI - New Zealand's Prime Minister Geoffrey Palmer resigned today. External Affairs Minister Michael Moore succeeded him. Palmer's resignation is expected to improve his Labor Party's chances in next month's election.

The Institutional Revolutionary Party, which dominates Mexican politics, has made the selection of candidates more democratic. The changes hurt the power of Mexico's labor unions which were able to nominate candidates.

Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori says Peru's inflation will drop this month to nearly zero. It has been running 12-thousand percent a year. Another Peruvian official says Peru will weak its currency to increase exports.

South African President Frederik de Klerk visited Soweto today. Soweto is the black Johannesburg township that has been the scene of much of the recent fighting between rival black groups.

The cabinet of Somalia was fired yesterday. It was the second time President Mohamed Siad Barre has ousted his ministers this year. The Somali news agency announced the change, but gave NO explanation.

Heavy thunderstorms brought flash flood watches to California, Arizona and Nevada. Last night, an electric storm set a supermarket and a house on fire in Boulder City, Nevada. High winds hit Lake Mead behind Hoover Dam.

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#90247u0658 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (SEPT. 4) UPI - Japan Tuesday flatly rejected an apparent overture by Iraq to release Japanese hostages held in Baghdad in return for supplies banned under U.N. sanctions.

''We have no intention of making a deal on this issue,'' Taizo Watanabe, chief spokesman for the Japanese Foreign Ministry told reporters.

He said Japan continued to insist that Iraq unconditionally release the hostages.

Iraq's overtures would not alter Japan's commitment to help the U.S.-led forces enforcing the embargo, Watanabe said.

Preparations for Japan's material and human contributions to the

multilateral forces confronting Iraq were going on ''day and night,'' he said.

Medical personnel were being interviewed, he said, and the government hoped to send its first medical team to the Middle East in about 10 days.

The $1 billion that Japan has pledged to support logistical efforts in the Gulf was not ready for distribution, but efforts were under way to procure vehicles and equipment on credit, he said.

Iraq's offer to swap hostages was reported by Japan's Kyodo News Service Monday out of the Iraqi capital of Baghdad.

All 141 Japanese men being used as part of Iraq's human shield will be freed if Japan sells Iraq food and medicine and buys its oil, Kyodo quoted Iraqi Information Minister Latif Nasif al-Jasim as saying.

A diplomat at Iraq's embassy in Tokyo said he knew nothing about such an offer.

The Japanese government has received no official proposal from Iraq, Watanabe said, although he acknowleged awareness of the media report.

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#90247u0687 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - British officials say more than 300 Britons are traveling across the desert from Kuwait City to Baghdad today in search of exit visas and a way home. Seven buses and one car are carrying 148 women and 155 children on a 500-mile journey in very hot weather. The women and children were urged to bring along enough food and water for the trip.

Port Authority police in Newark, New Jersey, say a Kuwaiti ship is being detained at Port Newark. A Port Authority police spokesman says customs officials are handling the situation, but adds he's NOT sure why the ship was being held. Customs officials are refusing to comment on the situation.

Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze is in Tokyo this morning to lay the groundwork for a historic visit by Soviet President Gorbachev next year. During his four-day visit, Shevardnadze is expected to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis with his Japanese counterpart.

Senior Chinese sports officials in Beijing are trying to avoid an embarrassing political confrontation regarding a move to bar Iraq from the Asian Games. Some Arab nations say they woN'T participate in the games if Iraq does. Chinese officials are counting on the sports games to recover national prestige.

South African President Frederik de Klerk made a surprise visit to the black township of Soweto today. It was De Klerk's first visit to a black township since he took office one year ago and only the fourth time in more than 10 years that a South African head of government has visited a satellite city.

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#90247u0693 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - Authorities in Jacksonville, Florida, say three gunmen who held an UNknown number of hostages inside a Red Lobster restaurant overnight surrendered to police this morning. The gunmen apparently took the hostages after an UNsuccessful robbery attempt.

New York City police say two 10-year-old boys were shot during separate incidents, becoming the 13th and 14th children to be wounded by random gunfire in New York City since July 22nd. One boy was injured as stood on a street corner in Brooklyn. The other child was shot as he watched a Labor Day parade in the Bedford Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn.

New York City authorities have charged eight young men with murder and robbery in the stabbing death of a 22-year-old Utah tourist. The incident occurred Sunday night on a Manhattan subway platform as the youths allegedly attacked the young man's family. Police say the family intends to stay in New York to assist in the investigation.

Florida polls opened this morning for the Democratic gubernatorial primary. Voters will choose either retired Senator Lawton Chiles or Congressman Bill Nelson to square off against incumbent Republican Governor Bob Martinez in November. Recent polls show Chiles leading Nelson.

The Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy Telethon- a Labor Day weekend tradition for 25 years- broke its fund-raising efforts this year, receiving pledges of more than 44-Million dollars. The telethon was broadcast live from the Aquarius Theater in Hollywood and was carried by some 200 television stations across the country.

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#90247u0789 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed lower Tuesday, with the key Nikkei average losing 2 percent of its value in thin trading.

The Nikkei average of 225 selected shares dropped 512.79 points to end the day at 24,907.64. The loss added to a drop of 557.94 points Monday.

The Nikkei has lost 1,070.73 points already this week compared with its

close Friday - a 4 percent loss.

The broader Tokyo Stock Price Index plummeted 35.54 points to close at 1,910.38. TOPIX, which measures all major shares, had fallen 28.05 points the day before.

Declines stocks pounded advances 8 to 1.

Volume continued to be low with an estimated 330 million shares changing hands, compared with 368.96 million Monday.

Elsewhere in Asia, share prices closed slightly lower on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in very thin trading.

The Hang Seng Index dropped 12.65 points to close at 3041.16. The loss followed a drop of 20.69 points Monday.

Volume was extremely light at 636 million Hong Kong dollars, down from Monday's turnover of 778 million Hong Kong dollars.

Prices closed weaker in thin and featureless trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange as investors continued to stay on the sidelines.

The Straits Times Industrial Index dropped 12.79 to 1252.81.

The All Singapore Index dipped 3.18 to 350.17.

The exchange recorded a turnover of 30.93 million units.

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#90247u0797 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - A major test in the countdown of the shuttle Columbia comes tomorrow. Engineers will load half-a-Million gallons of super-cold liquid oxygen and liquid hydrogen rocket fuel into the spaceplane's big external tank. It was during this process on May 29th that hydrogen gas leaked into the engine room, causing the flight to be postponed. Columbia is to take a seven-man crew on a 10-day trip to study X-rays and ultra-violet light in space.

Cambodia's peace talks are in trouble even before they begin. The talks are scheduled to start Thursday in Jakarta, Indonesia. But two top resistance leaders say they will NOT attend unless Prime Minister Hun Sen attends. Hun Sen says he will NOT go because the top resistance leader, Prince Sihanouk, is NOT going. Sihanouk is sending his son instead. A Sihanouk official says Sihanouk considers the meeting only an initial step in a long process.

Some University of Florida students have been improving security in their off-campus apartments over the holiday weekend. Five slayings near the Gainesville campus have made the community apprehensive. Police say that despite eight suspects, people should assume the killer still is in the area. Classes resume after the Labor Day break today.

Heavy thunderstorms struck the southwest yesterday. About 100- thousand people were at Lake Mead Recreational Area in Nevada celebrating Labor Day when heavy winds hit and rocked boats. Motorists were forced to the side of the road by sheets of rain. Lightning set a supermarket and a house on fire in Boulder City in southern Nevada. The thunderstorms are followed by flash flood watches today in parts of California, Arizona and Nevada.

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#90247u0880 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque cy	83	62	....
Anchorage cy	60	47	.69
Asheville pc	84	60	....
Atlanta sy	92	70	....
Baltimore pc	82	64	....
Billings pc	85	58	.07
Birmingham sy	98	70	....
Bismarck pc	84	58	.18
Boston sy	71	59	....
Brownsville cy	92	76	....
Buffalo pc	77	62	....
Burlington Vt. sy	76	57	....
Charleston S.C. sy	90	71	.17
Charlotte sy	87	66	....
Chicago sy	91	71	....
Cincinnati sy	87	69	....
Cleveland pc	82	68	....
Columbus Ohio pc	86	67	....
Dallas sy	98	75	....
Denver sy	92	58	....
Des Moines sy	96	71	....
Detroit pc	84	67	....
Duluth pc	75	53	.38
El Paso pc	85	62	....
Evansville sy	94	69	....
Fargo pc	83	57	....
Hartford sy	77	54	....
Honolulu sy	91	74	2.06
Houston pc	94	75	.03

Indianapolis sy	87	68	....
Jackson Miss. sy	100	72	....
Jacksonville pc	91	71	....
Kansas City sy	97	74	....
Las Vegas ts	95	72	....
Little Rock sy	99	75	....
Los Angeles sy	88	66	....
Louisville sy	91	70	....
Memphis pc	100	76	....
Miami Beach ts	90	77	....
Milwaukee pc	89	67	....
Minneapolis pc	87	66	.42
Nashville pc	97	73	....
New Orleans sy	96	75	....
New York sy	78	63	....
Oklahoma City pc	95	73	....
Omaha sy	96	68	....
Orlando pc	92	74	....
Philadelphia sy	81	60	....
Phoenix ts	100	79	.03
Pittsburgh sy	83	63	....
Portland Me. sy	70	53	....
Portland Ore. sy	88	56	....
Providence sy	75	55	....
Richmond pc	84	64	....
St. Louis sy	96	75	....
Salt Lake City cy	88	66	....
San Antonio pc	93	74	....
San Diego sy	79	68	....
San Francisco sy	74	58	....
San Juan sh	90	78	.20
Seattle sy	80	53	....
Spokane sy	85	50	....
Tampa ts	93	73	.01
Washington pc	83	69	....
Wichita sy	99	70	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke

sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

-30- 2937
#90247u0918 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 4) UPI - There are reports that the United States has chartered an Iraqi jetliner that will bring 30 Britons from Iraq to Jordan. But the State Department won't confirm the report. It also won't say whether any Americans will be aboard. All of this comes as thousands of refugees remain stranded along the Iraqi-Jordanian border in conditions that are said to be deteriorating on a daily basis. .

Seven buses containing 148 British women and 155 children have left occupied Kuwait for the 500-Mile journey to Baghdad, Iraq. They are the latest foreigners headed to the Iraqi capital in hopes of getting the exit permits needed to get them out of the area. Most were trapped in Kuwait by the August 2nd Iraqi invasion.

Even the weather is co-operating as the countdown clock ticks off the hours and minutes to Thursday's early morning launch of the shuttle Columbia. Forecasters say there is an 80 percent chance of good weather at blastoff. The 10-day mission already is three months behind schedule, thanks to a pesky fuel leak and then electrical problems. But the payload doors now are closed and the fuel cells are being powered up.

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#90247u0928 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 4) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze traveled to Japan to lay groundwork for President Gorbachev tn zisit Tokyo next year. Shevardnadze is expected to discuss the Middle East crisis in meetings with his Japanese counterpart. The Japanese hope to make Gorbachev's visit a time to end a dispute over four islands off the eastern tip of Japan's northernmost main island. The Soviet Union seized the islands at the end of World War Two and expelled 17-thousand Japanese who lived there.

A hostage drama in Jackson, Florida, ended when a police SWAT team captured three gunmen and freed 12 people held inside a seafood restaurant. Officials say none of the hostages was hurt. But one of the gunmen was shot in the leg trying to flee. The other gunmen surrendered to police after a six-hour stand-off. The drama began when a passer-by notified police there was a man with a shotgun entering the restaurant. A SWAT team surrounded the building and a hostage negotiating team was called in.

Professors at Temple University in Philadelphia are walking picket lines today instead of leading classes in what they say could be a protracted strike. About 100 unionized professors, librarians and other professional are on picket lines this morning demanding higher wages and benefits. Leaders of the Temple Association of University Professionals say officials are more interested in football and real estate than education.

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#90247u0971 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

EAST BERLIN (SEPT. 4) UPI - The two Germanys and the four wartime allies, taking another step toward German unification, Tuesday started putting the final touches on an agreement covering external aspects such as the withdrawal of Soviet troops from East Germany.

The document will give Germany full sovereignty and effectively end the post-war occupational rights held by the four victorious World War II powers - Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States. Berlin was divided up between the four after the war.

The draft treaty also lays down ''the final character of Germany's borders'' - a formal recognition that Germany has no claim on lands ceded to Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia after World War II.

The Foreign Ministry officials of the two Germanys and the four allied powers started their final round of negotiations in East Berlin's Niederschoenhausen Palace Tuesday morning and said the talks will be held behind closed doors until Friday.

Sources close to the talks said the negotiators agreed on most issues but needed to resolve details including the wording of the document, which will give the two Germanys the final go-ahead for their Oct. 3 merger.

Observers believe the officials still need to thrash out the procedure for withdrawal of the 380,000 Soviet troops stationed in East Germany.

West German officials recently denied they had offered to pay $1.6 billion toward the cost of the withdrawal but did not deny Germany would pay a substantial amount to transport the troops to the Soviet Union.

The last major hurdle on the way to unification was cleared when Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev told West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl in the Soviet Union in early July that he had dropped his objections to a united Germany being a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Under the agreement reached by the two leaders and backed by the other three Western allies, Soviet troops will remain in East Germany for the next three to four years. No NATO troops will be deployed on East German

territory during that period.

Soviet Foreign Minister Edvard Shevardnaze said on Aug. 17 that a few issues, which he did not specify, remained to be settled.

The foreign ministers of the six nations are to sign the document Sept. 12 in Moscow before presenting it to the Conference on Security and Disarmament in Europe at a meeting in New York Oct. 1-2.

U.S. officials have indicated they considered the pact would be sealed once it is signed, but it remained unclear if the Soviet Union would insist on parliamentary ratification of the treaty.

The draft document also limits an all-German army to 370,000 troops, less than two-thirds of the present, combined strength of the two German armies.

A united Germany will be banned from producing nuclear, chemical or biological weapons.

The two German governments signed their last bilateral unification treaty last week but both German parliaments must ratify it. The East German parliament Tuesday started debating the treaty setting out the legal, financial and technical aspects of unification.

A first treaty on economic unification took effect July 1, when the Deutsche mark was introduced in East Germany to replace the weak East mark.

Although political unification still has to be enforced, border barriers between the two Germanys, including the Berlin Wall, have already been removed.

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#90247u0981 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - U.S. construction spending climbed 0.4 percent in July to $442.2 billion, mainly on money invested in non-residential buildings, the Commerce Department reported Tuesday.

The advance follows revised declines of 0.9 percent in both June and May, according to the data compiled by the department's Census Bureau.

Total spending on private construction edged up 0.6 percent in July after dropping 1.5 percent in June while spending on public construction fell 0.2 percent in July after gaining 0.7 percent in June.

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#90247u1010 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for August 31: Purchases of 333,303 shares and sales of 501,522 shares including 67,011 shares sold short.

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#90247u1027 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $383.10, silver base of $4.80 and platinum price of $484.00:

Tuesday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$398.90	405.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	204.60	208.20
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.10	106.90
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.40	44.20
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	398.90	405.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	204.60	208.20
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.60	107.40
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.40	44.20
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	405.30	412.50
China Panda .50 troy oz.	208.80	212.50
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.30	110.20
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.80	47.60
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.90	28.40
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	399.00	406.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	203.90	207.50
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.00	104.80
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.40	45.10
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	397.90	404.20
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	206.00	209.20
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.70	107.30
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	45.60
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	397.70	404.10
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	204.50	207.80
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.70	88.10
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	46.10
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.10	23.90
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.20	$6.24
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,480	$3,520
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,500	$1,525
Platinum		

Australian Koala	508.00	512.00
Isle of Man Noble	496.00	500.00
Canada Maple Leaf	513.00	517.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90247u1033 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

AMMAN, JORDAN (SEPT. 4) UPI - Crown Prince Hassan Wednesday contradicted U.N. claims about an encouraging international response toward about 100,000 foreigners stranded in Jordan after fleeing Iraq and Kuwait, saying the crisis has evoked ''the faintest of responses.''

The brother of King Hussein stunned a U.N. news conference with his statement and then went further by appearing to dismiss the efforts of U.N. Disaster Relief Coordinator Mohammed Essaafi, named by U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to oversee relief efforts.

With Essaafi and other relief officials seated next to him, Hassan said he was considering asking Perez de Cuellar to appoint a ''humanitarian representative specifically for this case of refugees.''

Hassan's scathing remarks visibly embarrassed the officials and appeared rooted in the Jordanian government's growing frustration over worsening financial pressures caused by the refugee problem and U.N. trade sanctions on Iraq, Jordan's main trading partner.

Revising upwards the extent of the refugee crisis, Hassan said at least 420,000 foreigners, mostly Asians employed as laborers in Kuwait and Iraq, had fled into Jordan since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2.

Of those, he said, about 100,000 remain stranded in overcrowded, unsanitary makeshift relief camps, because they lack the funds to purchase air tickets and their governments are too poor to afford to repatriate them.

He said it was ''encumbent'' on the countries of the stranded foreigners to ''contribute immediately'' to the largest repatriation effort since World War II and on the international community to provide adequate amounts of medicines, food and other necessities.

''The down-trodden of the earth, the plight of those persons, mostly nationals of the countries of the Indian subcontinent and of the Philippines and Thailand, has evoked only the faintest of responses from the world community,'' said Hassan, who walked in halfway through the news

conference.

He accused the international press of being ''more interested in war senarios than in humanitarian relief,'' although hundreds of journalists are in Jordan and many have been covering the plight of the refugees for weeks.

Hassan said while Jordan was ''grateful'' for the assistance it has received so far, ''it is obvious that much more is needed and much remains to be done.''

After reading his statement, Hassan walked briskly out of the room, declining to answer questions and bringing to an abrupt close the news conference in the fortess-like palace compound of the king, who appointed his brother regent when he left Jordan to pursue a diplomatic solution to the gulf crisis.

Before Hassan arrived, the relief officials admitted efforts to gear up their operations had been slow, but said Jordan had not officially requested international assistance to cope with the influx until Aug. 22.

Since then, Essaafi said, ''on the whole, the response has been encouraging. (But) I must say, it is never enough.''

The officials were somewhat critical of Iran for waiting until Monday to open its borders to 100,000 refugees, saying the fastest and cheapest way home for those from the subcontinent is by bus through the Islamic republic to Pakistan.

Essaafi put the number of stranded people in Jordan at 105,000 and said another 56,000 were waiting to enter from the 25-mile-wide strip of burning desert ''no man's land'' between the tiny kingdom and Iraq.

Relief officials reiterated that conditions in the desert strip and other refugee areas were deteriorating and that as many as 1 million more people could attempt to make the trip home through Jordan, requiring massive international assistance.

''It is clear that we do not know at this stage how big the problem will grow,'' said Dr. R.K. Jenny, head of the International Organization for Migration, which is overseeing a day-old airlift for Sri Lankans and Bangladeshis, who constitute the largest segment of refugees.

Jenny said his group had received $7 million from the European Community, Sweden, Japan, Norway, Canada, the United States and Switzerland and has chartered Jordanian, British and Soviet aircraft to provide 55 repatriation flights for 14,000 people.

But, he said, his group needs $50 million to reach a target of 100,000 repatriations.

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#90247u1036 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (SEPT. 4) UPI - Hundreds of South Korean students hurled firebombs at riot police Tuesday in a protest against a ministerial meeting between Seoul and Pyongyang officials aimed at improving mutual relations and ending the 45-year division of the Korean peninsula.

South Korean Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon and his North Korean counterpart, Yon Hyong-muk, were scheduled to begin the unprecedented talks on Wednesday.

About 500 dissident youths marched out of Korea University in eastern Seoul following a rally at mid-afternoon and battled police for an hour, hurling firebombs into the officers' ranks, the domestic Yonhap News Agency said.

In a statement, the students accused the government of ''trying to solidify its fascist system by taking advantage of the South-North talks '' and vowing to stage militant struggles against attempts to suppress labor movements, Yonhap said.

The Seoul talks will end Friday and under an exisiting accord, a second round of the ministerial talks will be held in the North Korean capital of Pyongyang Oct. 16-19. Later sessions will take place alternately in the two capitals on dates to be set later.

Yon and six other North Korean officials arrived in Seoul at noon Tuesday after crossing the border at the truce village of Panmunjom, 35 miles north of Seoul, accompanied by 33 support personnel and a 50- member press corps.

A few hours after their arrival, the student protest erupted.

The North Korean delegation in an arrival statement said it came to Seoul ''seeking reconciliation and unity as one nation'' and ''to open the door to national reunification together.''

''To open the door to reunificiation, a state of political and military confrontation must be brought to an end as soon as possible and projects promoting reconciliation and unity must be pushed actively,'' the statement said.

While promising ''progressive'' proposals for reunification, the northerners hoped to meet relatives of Presbyterian pastor Rev. Moon Ik-

hwan, woman student Im Su-kyong and Catholic priest Rev. Moon Kyu-hyun, who are serving prison terms for illegal visits to North Korea.

Seoul government spokesman Hong Sung-chul said the dissident issue had nothing to do with the talks.

The first meeting between Kang and Yon, the highest-level contact ever between the two Koreas divided since 1945, will be held Wednesday morning, followed by a second session behind closed doors on Thursday.

The agreed agenda is a comprehensive one - how to end political and military confrontation and promote many-sided exchanges and cooperation between the two sides.

Seoul officials said they ''will try to achieve substantive results by offering relatively easy-to-implement projects for exchanges and cooperation while keeping away from any moves that would likely embarrass or annoy the North Koreans.''

North Korea, meanwhile, has indicated through official news outlets that it is more interested in military issues such as the questions of arms control and a non-aggression pact including the withdrawal of some 40,000 U.S. troops stationed in South Korea.

On Tuesday, the official North Korean Central News Agency (KCNA) in a report monitored in Tokyo quoted a commentary published in the Rodong Shinmun, official organ of North Korea's Workers (communist) Party, stressing military aspects for the Seoul talks.

As the United States is chiefly responsible for ensuring peace in Korea, it must come out for talks with North Korea or for three-party talks involving South Korea as well ''and must withdraw its troops and nuclear weapons from South Korea,'' the commentary said, according to KCNA.

''It cannot but be abnormal that the United States keeps more than 40,000 U.S. troops in South Korea against the North which has not a soldier of foreign troops and not a piece of nuclear weapon.''

Prime Minister Kang hosted a dinner for the visitors and 130 other guests and delivered a speech saying that the world today is moving toward detente and cooperation in the interest of peace, encouraging divided nations to reunite in the cause of prosperity.

''Nothing ventured, nothing gained,'' he said. ''The courage to start can provide the driving force... We will emerge winners together, if we continue to conduct open-minded dialogue, reach accords and resolutely carry them out.''

In his speech, North Korea's Yon referred to a confederation formula which North Korea has been proposing for reunification of the divided land.

''We never force what we have on others. Forcing the system and ideology of one side on the other invites confrontation and clash inevitably bringing a national catastrophe,'' he said.

''For this reason we have been proposing a confederation (of the two Koreas) leaving different ideologies and systems as they are.''

Yon was all smiles as he crossed into the South and received a lei from a child from Seoul in traditional Korean dress.

While the North Korean officials were driving through Seoul, a traffic accident happened and two of the Northern delegates suffered slight injuries, a spokesman for the Seoul side said.

The 34-story Intercontinental Hotel will be the official quarters and meeting place for the delegates attending the prime ministers meeting.

North Korea has also listed as a major issue the question of U.N. membership for the two Koreas. Seoul prefers simultaneous but separate membership for both sides but the North insists that the South and the North share a single seat in the world body because separate membership could perpetuate Korea's division.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - The U.S. manufacturing economy showed renewed signs of sluggishness in August, the National Association of Purchasing Management reported Tuesday.

The Purchasing Managers' Index dropped to 47.0 percent in August, down from 47.4 percent in July.

A reading below 50 generally indicates the manufacturing segment of the economy is experiencing a decline in growth. A reading above 50 usually indicates that the manufacturing portion of the economy is expanding.

''The manufacturing economy declined further in August,'' said Robert J. Bretz, chairman of the group of purchasing executives and director of materials management at Pitney Bowes Inc. ''The sharp decline in New Orders in July resulted in the first first decline in Production in seven months.''

The association predicted a further decline in the U.S. economy ''unless purchasers artificially stimulate the economy by building up inventories

in petroleum-related commodities in order to assure availability and to delay anticipated price increases.''

The manufacturing economy declined in August for the second consecutive month, said the association in its latest ''Report on Business.''

''Production declined for the first time since January 1990, while New Orders declined for the second consecutive month ... and employment declined in August for the 18th consecutive month and at the greatest rate since January 1990,'' the association said.

New Export Orders were the only sector of optimism for the sluggish U.S. economy.

''New Export Orders increased in August for the 32nd consecutive month, but at a slower pace than last month,'' the association said.

The New Export Orders index was above the 50 mark, and had a reading of 53.0, down from 57.0 in July, and the lowest figure since the beginning of the year.

Most indexes in the PMI's Report on Business were at their lowest level since January.

Imports declined for the fourth consecutive month, signaling some hope that the United States would be able to reduce its trade deficit.

The Imports index slipped to 47.5 percent, down slightly from 48 percent in July.

The New Orders index declined in August for the second consecutive month, although at a lesser rate than last month. The index rose to 46.4 percent, up from 46.2 percent in July.

The July drop in New Orders led to a decline in the Production Index in August.

''The sharp drop in New Orders in July resulted in the first decline in Production in seven months,'' the association said. ''The Production Index declined in August to 48.5 percent, down from 52.1 percent in July and was the lowest since January 1990.''

Supplier deliveries were slower in August for the second time in three months. The Supplier Deliveries Index rose to 51.1 percent, up from 47.3 percent in July, but was similar to June's 51.2 percent.

Among the products managers reported as being in short supply were a number of oil-related products, reflecting the shortfall in oil supplies

resulting from the embargo against Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil.

August was the first month to reflect the impact of the Middle East conflict which broke out Aug. 2 when Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait.

Inventories continued to decline for the 21st consecutive month, although at a lesser rate than in the past seven months, the association said.

The Inventories Index had a reading of 44.1 percent, up significantly from 39.3 percent in July.

The Price Index soared to 58.2 percent, from July's 50.9 percent, indicating that inflation is likely to pick up momentum following the sharp increase in oil prices.

''Price rose in August largely because of anticipated, if not actual, price increases in crude oil and petrochemical feed stocks,'' the association said. ''Industries feeling the brunt of the August price increases were plastics, primary metals, paper, petroleum and ''re plastic

Employment decreased in August for the 18th consecutive month at a slightly greater rate than in July.

The Employment Index fell to 44.1 percent, from 47.2 percent last month, and the lowest reading since January.

The average lead time for capital expenditures and for maintenance, repair and operating supplies was mostly unchanged in August from July.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - The federal government's failure to adequately respond to the homeless may mean it is violating the international human rights standards outlined in the Helsinki human rights accord, the U.S. Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe said Tuesday.

The commission, made up of members of the Congress and the administration, usually monitors other nations' compliance or lack of compliance with the international human rights set forth in the Helsinki Final Act.

But in a 77-page report, ''Homelessness in the United States,'' the staff of the commission said the response of the U.S. government to the growing problem of homelessness does not stand scrutiny under international human rights laws.

''The failure to formulate effective policies and provide government assistance to help those most in need become self-sufficient, contributing

members of society is not justifiable and will simply not withstand close examination along the lines of Helsinki and other international commitments,'' the report said.

''If the United States does not show significant improvement in this area, then we must be prepared to answer why, not only to the nations of the world but, more importantly, to our own people,'' the report said.

The report noted that the United States, as one of 35 signers of the 1989 Vienna Concluding Document, is committed to the recognition that ''the promotion of economic, social, (and) cultural rights as well as of civil and political rights is of paramount importance for human dignity and for the attainment of the legitimate aspirations of every individual.''

The Vienna statement also committed the United States to ''achieving progressively the full realization of economic, social and cultural rights by all appropriate means, including in particular by the adoption of legislation.''

In the past, American policy makers have been reluctant to give social and economic human rights the same importance as political rights, suggesting that democratic political procedures, including free speech and elections, were sufficient to ensure human rights.

The report surveyed much of the vast literature on homelessness in the United States and the failures of federal policies over the past 10 years of the Reagan and Bush administrations.

It estimated that on any given night there are some 735,000 individuals without shelter.

''The true measure of how well a nation meets the needs of its citizens ... is not just the amount of resources expended, but also the fair and effective management and distribution of such resources,'' the report said.

''And while resources may be limited, equity should never be,'' it added. ''By this standard, there is no justification for the precipitous decline in recent years in available housing for America's poor citizens.''

While noting that ''many socialist nations'' have failed to provide adequate economic and social supports and that Americans living in poverty ''are relatively rich in the world as it exists today,'' the report nevertheless said, such arguments ''cannot justify deficiencies in aid to poorer citizens of this nation.''

''The United States government should not, as in the past, simply respond that discussions of economic and social policies of Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe states detracts from more urgent civil and

political liberty issues,'' the report said.

''All are important, interrelated issues of genuine concern to governmetns and people of the Helsinki process,'' it added.

The commission is co-chaired by Sen. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., and Rep. Steny Hoyer, D-Md. Among its executive branch members are Richard Schifter assistant secretary of state for human rights and humanitarian affairs.

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#90247u1098 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - A French newspaper, quoting P-L-O officials, reports Iraqi President Saddam Hussein may be willing to get out of occupied Kuwait- with conditions. One of them is that Kuwait's emir never return.

The two Germanys and the four war-time allies are putting the finishing touches to a deal leading to German unification, including the pullout of Soviet troops from East Germany. Officials at the meeting in East Berlin are working out the details of a treaty.

Voters are out in both Florida and Nevada, choosing candidates to run in November's gubenatorial elections. The Florida Democratic race pits former Senator Lawton Chiles against Representative Bill Nelson for honors to challenge Republican Governor Bob Martinez. .

Nevada's Democratic primary finds token opposition facing acting Governor Bob Miller. Eight political unknowns are scrambling for the G- O-P position.

Classes resumed at the University of Florida today amid warnings that the serial killings of five college students have NOT been solved. Gainesville police say there are eight possible suspects, including an 18-year-old freshman held on one-Million-dollars bond in an attack on his grandmother.

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#90247u1117 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - A U.S warship in the Gulf of Oman seized an Iraqi freighter carrying tea from Sri Lanka Tuesday and ordered it to go to the Omani port of Muscat where it was being held, defense sources said.

It was the first seizure in the U.S. naval interception program that began Aug. 16 to enforce the U.N. embargo against Iraqi goods, imposed because of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

No violence was reported during the seizure, the defense sources said.

Shipping sources in the gulf said the name of the freighter was the Zenobiya, though that could not be immediately confirmed.

The Pentagon was expected to issue an announcement later Tuesday.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 4) UPI - At least 35 people died and nearly 100 others wounded in fighting Tuesday in the black township of Sebokeng, including 11 found dead after soldiers opened fire on crowds surrounding a hostel for migrant workers, police said.

Police spokesman Col. Frans Malherbe said more than 100 people also were arrested.

Police sources said a prominent local leader of the Zulu movement Inkatha, Themba Khoza, was among those detained - allegedly found in the hostel area passing out AK47s from his vehicle to supporters.

The fighting in Sebokeng and two eastern townships intensified as President Frederik de Klerk visited Soweto - his first trip into a black township since his election as president a year ago.

''It is not in the interests of all the people of this country that people should die as they did last night,'' De Klerk told reporters Tuesday. He said the killings ''must come to an end.''

Malherbe said the death toll since shortly before midnight was 35, including 24 killed in clashes between Zulus and supporters of the African National Congress.

The 11 others, he said, were found over a wide area outside the hostel after a ''shooting incident'' involving army troops.

''I cannot comment on this shooting incident any further. The African Defense Froces has appointed a board of inquiry to investigate SADF involvement,'' he said.

Army troops evidently fired when a mob of township residents massed outside the hostel, trapping police and hostel dwellers inside, around 9:20 a.m.

One section of the hostel was occupied by hundreds of workers affiliated with the National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa. A Union official said the hostel was allegedly attacked by Zulus of the movement Inkatha before dawn and police had failed to intervene to halt the assault.

A photographer with the daily Sowetan newspaper, Len Khumalo, said he watched army troops take up positions in the area and suddenly shots rang out. He said, ''many of the people ran, some of the people fell.''

Khumalo said he counted 11 bodies outside and inside the hostel compound buildings.

State-run radio said a number of weapons were seized from the hostel after the incident.

Mandela and an entourage of senior officials of the African National Congress visited a number of township areas affected by the strife between Inkatha and the ANC that has left at least 573 dead in three weeks - the worst outbreak of urban factional strife recorded in the country.

Mandela met senior police officers in Sebokeng for more than an hour on the situation.

De Klerk's visit to Soweto marked only the fourth time a South African head of government has visited a black township in more than a decade. Former President Pieter W. Botha visited three townships during his 10 years in power, including Soweto, the country's largest black residential area.

Police reported factional fighting also flared overnight in townships east of Johannesburg, Kathlehong and Vosloorus, where four people died.

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#90247u1143 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (SEPT. 4) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is willing to withdraw from Kuwait if allowed to keep some Kuwaiti land and if the exiled Kuwaiti emir is stopped from returning to power, a senior PLO official said in an interview published Tuesday.

Palestine Liberation Organization intelligence chief Abu Iyad told the Paris daily Liberation that Saddam wanted a negotiated settlement to the Persian Gulf crisis, but not one that could be interpreted as a personal defeat.

''Saddam Hussein is ready to negotiate and to withdraw from Kuwait if he receives certain guarantees,'' said the PLO's second-highest ranking member. ''It is not certain that if he evacuates Kuwait and frees the hostages that Iraq will not be attacked anyway.''

The PLO official said Saddam is convinced the United States did not mobilize troops under a U.S.-led multinational force just because of Kuwait but also ''to take advantage of this crisis to weaken the Iraqi

army as much as possible by destroying its conventional forces and preventing the use of the oil weapon for political ends.''

''He (Saddam) believes that his remaining or leaving Kuwait will not change this American determination,'' said Abu Iyad, who also goes by the name Salah Khalaf. ''That is his real problem today.''

Asked what was not negotiable for Saddam, Abu Iyad said, ''Two things - the regions of Boubiane and ... one (Saddam) has called the 'Saddamia,' on the one hand, and the return to power of the emir ... on the other.''

Saddamia refers to a strip of land on the Kuwaiti-Iraqi border renamed by Saddam after himself, while Boubiane was an apparent reference to the strategic Bubiyan Island off the coast of Kuwait.

Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 during an oil and border dispute and later declared it an Iraqi province.

On Aug. 12, Saddam proposed a regional solution that would include an Israeli withdrawal from ''occupied Arab lands'' and a Syrian withdrawal from Lebanon, with ''arrangements'' to be made on the question of Kuwait.

The PLO official said U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar's efforts to negotiate a peaceful settlement to the conflict had failed because he had insisted on discusing the hostage issue first rather than last.

''Saddam wants a negotiated settlement, but not one that can be interpreted as a defeat for him,'' Abou Iyad said referring to the hostage crisis.

''Kuwait, at any rate, must admit that there are Iraqi interests in Kuwai '' Abu Iyad said. ''It is the only way of arriving at a solution.''

Abu Iyad said the PLO's position in the gulf crisis was widely misunderstood, insisting the organization headed by Yasser Arafat had never supported Iraq's annexation of Kuwait but was also against the U.S. military presence.

''There is not a single Palestinian in Jordan or in the occupied territories that can accept this brutal military intervention,'' he said. ''Especially when there doesn't exist, and has never existed, a similar international mobilization over U.N. resolutions concerning the Palestinian question.''

He said the PLO had refused to condemn Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait because it would have meant losing a possible mediation role and he charged the Arab countries that wanted to condemn Iraq at an Arab summit

in Cairo last month were in reality hoping for war.

''A war would be tragic. For the United States, but even more for Europe, which would pay more. Don't forget that the price of a barrel of oil could reach $60 to $70,'' he said.

The PLO official said one of the most tragic consequences of a war would be the likely return of international terrorism, which Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz threatened to support in a newspaper interview published last week.

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#90247u1176 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 4) UPI - Soybeans were higher and grain futures were mostly lower at midmorning on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Soybeans opened higher and continued to rally on fairly active buying interest. Professionals were featured buyers, although moderate delivery notices kept a lid on the market.

Higher prices for soybean meal futures contributed to the gains in soybeans. Meal rallied on persistent rumors that the Soviet Union had bought a large quantity from Brazil.

Corn was pressured by commercial selling but had underlying support from light buying interest at the lows.

Both corn and soybeans were depressed by predictions of above- normal temperatures and normal rainfall this week in the Midwest.

Follow-through selling and harvest activity weighed on wheat prices.

Country movement was light except for moderate to heavy farmer selling of wheat in Minnesota and the Dakotas where the harvest is under way.

Interior and Gulf basis levels generally were steady.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.40 1/2 off 2 3/4; Dec 2.33 off 1/4; Mar 2.42 unch.

Soybeans Sep 6.04 1/2 up 3 1/2; Nov 6.19 up 5 1/4; Jan 6.32 1/2 up 5 1/4; Mar 6.45 1/2 up 5 1/2.

Wheat Sep 2.57 1/4 off 5 1/4; Dec 2.74 off 3 1/2; Mar 2.86 off 2 1/4.

Oats Sep 1.06 3/4 up 1 3/4; Dec 1.18 3/4 up 1 1/4; Mar 1.30 1/2 up 1 1/4.

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Increased				
Harleysville Natl	Q	.20	9-28	9-14
Usual				
Hach Co	Q	.05	10-31	10-17
Petrol Heat & Pwr clB	Q	.42 1/2	10-1	9-14
Seaboard Corp	Q	.12 1/2	9-28	9-18

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 4) UPI - Bulk selling prices reported by USDA:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 57-63.

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#90247u1258 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

SEATTLE (SEPT. 4) UPI - The Boeing Co. knew in 1983 it had a serious problem with the guidance system on its cruise missile, but decided not to fix about 1,000 of the nuclear-tipped weapons already delivered to the Air Force, a Seattle newspaper reported Tuesday.

Instead, Boeing sold about 700 more of the missiles to the government, despite mounting evidence that the weapon's guidance system failed to perform at the extremely low temperatures required by military specifications, according to company documents obtained by the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Ultimately, Boeing sold the government 1,715 cruise missiles for $1.8 billion.

The missile is a key component of the U.S. nuclear weapons arsenal. It is designed to be launched at high altitudes from a B-52 bomber, drop to ground level and maneuver to its target using information relayed by a gyroscope-controlled flight data transmitter. Air Force and industry experts say that a failure of the transmitter would send the weapon off course, causing it to crash.

Boeing has said it didn't learn about the missile's guidance-system problems until mid-1987. That was after the Justice Department launched a criminal investigation of Northrop Corp., the subcontractor responsible for assembling the flight data transmitter's gyroscope package. Boeing spokesman Milt Furness repeated that statement Friday.

But documents contradict Boeing's assertion, the newspaper reported. Boeing declined to comment on the documents, which include confidential Boeing and Northrop test reports. They are part of the government's file against Northrop and haven't been made public previously.

They show that Boeing engineers wrestled with cold-temperature failures of the cruise missile's flight data transmitter as early as 1983. They raise questions about whether Boeing should have continued selling the missiles, knowing it had such a flaw.

The requirements of Strategic Air Command in 1980 included a successful launch after prolonged exposure at minus 65 degrees Fahrenheit. Air Command B-52s carrying cruise missiles can encounter such temperatures during hours of high-altitude cruising.

The Air Force has said it has tested the cruise missile 74 times under ''subzero'' conditions without a failure. But Air Force officials declined to say whether their testing has met the military's minimum- temperature launch specifications of minus 65.

Now, the service is refitting all of its cruise-equipped B-52s with a rotary launcher carried in the plane's bomb bay, where it won't face freeze-up problems.

Former Northrop employees have told federal investigators that Northrop faked tests on the cruise guidance system that showed it performed at low

temperatures.

Those allegations triggered a federal investigation. Last February, Northrop pleaded guilty to 34 counts of fraudulent testing of the cruise and the Marine Corps' Harrier jet and paid $17 million in fines and penalties. But the government curtailed its charges related to Northrop's cold-temperature testing.

A House Energy and Commerce subcommittee last month accused of Northrop and the Air Force of covering up problems with the cruise tests.

U.S. Attorney William Fahey, chief of the public corruption and government fraud section of the U.S. Justice Department's Los Angeles office, said the investigation into fraudulent testing of the cruise- guidance system remains open, although Northrop is no longer involved. Fahey declined to say whether Boeing is under investigation.

Boeing spokesman Furness said the company doesn't know of any federal investigation of its handling of the cruise-missile program. He said Boeing won't comment because of a separate civil lawsuit filed by the Northrop whistle-blowers. Boeing is not a party to that lawsuit. A spokesman for Herbert Hafif, the whistle-blowers' attorney in Claremont, Calif., has said the lawsuit may be amended to include Boeing.

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OMAHA (SEPT. 4) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and calves 1,500; trading on slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, prices both classes $1.00 to $1.50 lower than last Tuesday; slaughter cows and bulls too few to establish a market; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-3, few 4s 1100-1350 lbs. 74.00- 75.00, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lbs. 73.00-74.50, select No 2- 3 71.00-73.00; holsteins select and choice No 2-3 1200-1400 lbs. 67.00- 67.50, select 66.00; heifers choice No 2-3, few 4s 975-1175 lbs. 74.00- 75.00, select and choice No 2-3 950-1100 lbs. 72.00-74.00, select No 2-3 70.00-72.00; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 breaking few 55.00-56.00, boning few 55.00-56.00, canner and low cutter few 52.00- 55.00.

Hogs 2,200; butchers 75 cents to fully $1.00 lower, No 1-3 230-270 lbs.53.00-53.25, No 1-2 210-230 lbs. 50.00-52.00, No 2-3 260-280 lbs. 51.50-52.50; sows 30 percent, under 500 lbs. steady to $1.00 lower, over 500 lbs. steady, No 1-3 350-500 lbs. 44.00-44.25, some around 475 lbs. and heavier 45.00-46.00, No 2-3 500-650 lbs. 52.00-53.00.

Sheep 200, slaughter lambs and ewes steady, shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 110-130 lbs. No 1-2 pelts 48.00-50.00; wooled slaughter lambs

choice and prime 120-130 lbs. 47.00-49.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good 13.00-17.00.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
BCE Development (6 Mos 6-30)	
$161,583,000	$243,379,000
d-$38,083,000	d-$35,014,000
d-Deficit.	
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Dairy Mart Convenience (4th Q 8-4)	
$211,575,000	$196,973,000
$1,874,000 (.44)	$1,624,000 (.37)
Esterline Corp (3rd Q 7-31)	
$92,020,000	$67,377,000
$1,657,000 (.25)	$2,477,000 (.29)
Fay's Inc (2nd Q 7-28)	
$162,344,000	$139,778,000
$3,253,000 (.21)	$3,018,000 (.20)
NCH Corp (1st Q 7-31)	
$169,291,000	$153,167,000
$10,934,000 (1.30)	$10,222,000 (1.19)
Texfi Industries (3rd Q 8-3)	
$73,084,000	$58,843,000
$1,544,000 (.09)	$3,631,000 (.36)
WMS Industries Inc (4th Q 6-30)	
$43,417,000	$42,685,000
a-$35,000	$2,414,000 (.28)
a-Equal to less than 1 cent a share.	

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the

USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 63-66.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - Iraq announced Tuesday three post office box numbers where relatives and friends can send letters to ''foreign guests hosted by Iraq.''

Calling them ''the Peace P.O. Boxes,'' the official Iraqi News Agency said the addresses were P.O. Box 39090, P.O. Box 50300 and P.O. Box 50285, all in Baghdad, Iraq.

Iraq, which has said is holding citizens of ''aggressive nations'' at strategic installations in an effort to prevent an attack by U.S. and other forces that have massed in the region, has continued to round up foreign men in the Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

In addition, an estimated 10,000 Western women and children remain stranded in Iraq and Kuwait despite Iraq's promise to release them.

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MACHIAS, Maine (SEPT. 4) UPI - Two school districts have put off starting classes for one week so students and teachers can help bring in perhaps the area's largest harvest of wild blueberries ever.

The school boards in Machias and in Cherryfield near on Maine's far eastern coast agreed to put off the start of classes from Sept. 3 to Sept. 10 because of the bumper crop of blueberries.

Hundreds of local people, including youngsters and teachers, take part in the harvest every year, but so many blueberries are expected to be harvested that picking is expected to continue well into September unless it is cut short by frost.

The boards were asked to put off the start of classes by officials from Jasper Wyman and Son Inc., the state's largest grower and processor of wild blueberries.

''We went to the school board meetings earlier this year and asked for a delay for a few days, and they agreed,'' said Gary Willey, an executive

for Jasper Wyman and Son. ''We hire both students and teachers and we depend on them to work the harvest each year.''

Robert Phillips, Wyman's president, said his company is somewhat mystified by the size of this year's crop.

''For our company this is the biggest year we have ever seen by far, and we are not sure why that is,'' he said. ''We have done some management things that should have increased yields, but a number of things have happened this year that should have worked against us.''

''We had a lot of winter injury, and we had some poor pollinating periods where we had cold and rain for seven days in a row,'' he said. ''We also had three days of frost that should have killed off a lot of the plants. We don't know why it is so good, but we are sure grateful for it.''

The students and teachers aren't the only ones taking part in this year's harvest. Robert Phillips, Wyman's president, said hundreds of pickers from around the country are in Washington County for this year's blueberry harvest, and hundreds of local people are also raking the small blue fruit.

The harvesters always include a large number of Micmac, Passamaquoddy and Penobscot Indians, with many of the Micmacs coming in from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

''It's very hard to give a cross-section of our harvesters,'' Phillips said. ''This year we have people from 25 states and from three other countries. In one crew we have a minister, a fellow who just got out of prison for manslaughter, two Mexicans, and five women who wear long dresses and bonnets, Mennonites, maybe.''

Using youngsters to harvest crops has a long tradition in Maine. In Aroostook County, public schools for many years have begun classes in August and then recess for several weeks in late September and early October so students can help harvest potatoes.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - Firing a pre-emptive dissent at anti-drug czar William Bennett, a drug law reform group said Monday the first year of the administration's much ballyhooed get-tough program has been a failure.

''So far, the get-tough approach hasn't worked,'' said Arnold Trebach, president of the Drug Policy Foundation and a co-author of a 31-page report analyzing the first year of President Bush's national drug control strategy.

''Until National Drug Control Policy Director William Bennett realizes that drug abuse is a health problem that gets worse when treated with a heavy hand, we can only expect more atrocities in America,'' Trebach added.

Bennett is scheduled to give his own assessment of the administration's war on drugs at a news conference Wednesday and to release a ''white paper'' on what he called ''leading drug indicators.''

According to the Drug Policy Foundation study, despite the get- tough approach of Bennett and Bush, drug-related crime continues to rise, the criminal justice system has been overloaded, heroin is making a comeback among drug users and treatment programs languish without funds while money is poured into prison construction.

''Czar Bennett will say that we've only just begun to fight, that we're beginning to turn the corner,'' Trebach said. ''Don't be fooled. The United States has implmented tough-on-drugs plans many times since the Harrison Narcotics Act was passed in 1914.

''None of these plans has worked. None of them ever will,'' he said. Trebach and co-author Kevin Zeese noted that during the Reagan administration's war on drugs, the prison population was doubled - the sharpest rise in the number of people incarcerated in modern history - yet ''no one claims that ... has made our streets safer or reduced the adverse health effects of drug abuse.''

They said that despite Bennett's making the District of Columbia a test case for his anti-drug strategy, the arrest of over 40,000 people for drug offenses in the past several years and some of the toughest prison sentences being handed out, the city is still breaking last year's homocide rate of more than 400 deaths and drug abuse has not decreased.

''The administration's proposal to spend millions of dollars to increase rates of incarceration should not be implemented until it is able to explain why the spiraling increase in incarcerations over the last two decades has failed,'' the report said.

The report also faults the administration's efforts at interdiction and eradication, or cutting off the drug supply at its source, arguing it has expanded the U.S. marijuana crop and spurred the development of Latin American drug lords behind the cocaine and crack markets.

But the report said the administration could learn from three notable successes in the war on drugs over the past decades - the great glue sniffing scare of the 1960s, the move to decriminalize marijuana in the 1970s and the sharp reduction in the percent of the U.S. population hooked on tobacco.

''Today glue sniffing is no longer a drug problem,'' the report said. ''We succeeded without eradicating glue at its source, without interdicting it and without mass incarcerations. We did not take away the driver's licenses of convicted glue sniffers.''

On marijuana decriminalization, the report noted that by 1978, 11 states with one third of the nation's population had decriminalized marijuana and 30 other states made a first offense punishable without jailing.

''Since 1978, there has been a dramatic decline in marijuana use among all age groups, including our adolescents,'' the report said. ''While it is impossible to say what caused the dramatic decline in marijuana use, it is fair to say that relaxing the laws did not prevent the decline.''

At the beginning of the two-decade current war on drugs, the report said, 40 percent of the American people used tobacco. Today that use has dropped to 29 percent.

''Almost half of all living American adults who have ever smoked tobacco have quit,'' the report said. ''This has also been accomplished without mass incarcerations, eradication programs and without any reduction in tobacco availability.''

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - No violence was reported the first seizure of an Iraqi vessel since a U-S naval interception program began last month to enforce a U-N embargo against Iraq. It happened today in the Gulf of Oman. A U-S warship seized an Iraqi freighter carrying tea from Sri Lanka and ordered the ship to the Omani port at Muscat where it is being held. The Pentagon is expected to issue an announcement later today. .

A Bush administration official confirms the United States is footing the bill for an Iraqi Airways jet to leave Baghdad carrying about 30 Americans and 100 foreign nationals. The official says the United States hopes to be re-imbursed by other nations whose citizens are being freed. Earlier, the British Foreign office said 30 Britons are traveling from Baghdad to Amman Jordan, on an Iraqi Airways jet chartered by the United States.

Violence ripped through black townships in South Africa today where at least 35 people died and nearly 100 others were wounded. Police say 24 people were killed in fights between the Zulus and African National Congress supporters. Another 11 people were found dead after troops fired on crowds near a migrant workers' hostel. Police say the violence intensified as President de Klerk visited Soweto in his first visit to the black township since his election last year.

There are many reasons that school often does NOT start on schedule but two school districts in Maine have come up with a new twist. They've called a one-week delay in what was to have been the opening of school today. The reason, and it is official, is that there is a bumper crop of wild blueberries this year and the students and teachers are needed for the harvest.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - Meatpacker John Morrell & Co. faces a fine of $345,125 under the 1986 immigration reform law for allegedly hiring illegal aliens and failing to verify employees were eligible to work, the government said Tuesday.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service said the proposed fine was one of the largest against any employer since the law was passed.

The fines were levied against Morrell operations in Sioux City, Iowa, and Arkansas City, Kan. The Sioux City plant was fined $243,200 and the Arkansas City operation, a subsidiary named Ark City Packing Co., $101,925.

Under the immigration reform law, employers are required to verify the work eligibility of all employees hired after Nov. 6, 1986, and to refrain from hiring people not authorized to work in the United States. Verification records must be shown to federal officials on request.

In a statement, the INS said an investigation that began in March 1989 at Sioux City found 353 instances in which Morrell had failed to comply with the verification rules, had done so improperly or, in one case, continued to employ a person not authorized for U.S. work.

At Ark City Packing, INS officers said they found 257 instance in which no employment verification had been conducted on newly hired employees and 135 instances in which verification was done improperly. Three illegal aliens were employed at the plant, officials alleged.

Morrell has 30 days to contest the fine or request a hearing on the charges.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - Retailing giant K Mart, and a subsidiary in Taiwan, have been fined six-Million dollars on charges of violating textile import quota controls. The Customs Service says the fine is one of the largest ever collected in a textile case. K mart allegedly manipulated prices of various imported textile articles as far back as 1982.

Austria is moving to stop what it calls the movement of thousands of illegal Polish workers into the country. Polish nationals now will have to have visas if they want to get into Austria after Thursday. It's estimated that as many as 70-thousand Poles are illegally working in Austria, many in the black market.

Two women employees at an adults-only club in Jacksonville, Florida, have returned large tips after learning the money may have been part of the loot from the robbery of an elderly woman. Three men are charged in the theft of 25-thousand dollars in cash and 100-thousand dollars in jewlery. Half of the money reportedly was spent in Jacksonville bars, including the Centerfold Lounge where the two women work.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 4) UPI - They've already got Rockefeller Center, a symbol of U.S. capitalism. Now the Japanese are trying to buy a token of Soviet Communism: Lenin.

A Japanese has been negotiating with the city government in Bucharest, the capital of Romania, to purchase a huge statue of Vladimir Lenin taken down after last year's fall of dictator Nicolae Ceausescu, Kyodo News Service reported.

Neither the name of the bidder nor the size of the offer for the 33-foot, 7-ton bronze statue has been released, Kyodo reported.

The Romanian statue of the founder of the Soviet state has been for sale since March with an asking price of $1 million.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - The apparent failure of the weekend talks between the U.N. secretary general and Iraq's foreign minister in achieving any movement toward a peaceful settlement of the Persian-Gulf crisis drove oil prices up Tuesday.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude of October delivery was up $1.55 at midday over Friday's close to $28.87 a barrel after trading as high as $29.05 a barrel.

Unleaded gasoline for October delivery had gained 7.87 cents to 94.05 cents a gallon, while October home heating oil had added 6.64 cents to 83.20 cents a gallon.

''I think the reason for the move is that a lot of people had put a lot of faith in U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar's weekend meeting with Iraq's Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and he left disappointed,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading at United Energy Inc. in New York.

''The market is acting like a magnifying glass. It is magnifying the fact that nothing happened,'' said Michael Wilner, president of Hilltop Trading Co., New York. ''It's an over-sensitive market.''

The analysts said the Merc, which was closed Monday for the U.S. Labor Day holiday, opened stronger on the European market's reaction Monday to the failure of the talks.

Wilner said it was difficult to understand the rise in gasoline for delivery in October, when that is the first month for the lifting of stricter air-pollution vapor standards that should ease the supply of gasoline.

''People may be holding on to gasoline because they are concerned over what's going to happen down the road,'' Wilner said.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, where crude is bought and sold to the highest bidder, prompt delivery WTI had gained $1.50 at midday to $28.80 a barrel.

On the European spot market, United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - had climbed $1.50 to $26 a barrel.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent had gained $1.78 to $29.98 a barrel.

In the Middle East, a U.S. warship in the Gulf of Oman seized an Iraqi freighter carrying tea from Sri Lanka Tuesday, American defense sources said, and a U.S.-chartered plane was expected to carry about 130 Westerners out of Iraq where they had been held as shields against attack.

In addition, more than 300 Britons left Kuwait City by bus for a long journey to Baghdad in search of exit visas and a way home, while thousands of refugees remained stranded in dismal conditions along the Iraqi-Jordanian border as ''hostages of the desert.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - Ansett Airlines of Australia has ordered 10 Airbus Industrie A321 jetliners, the stretch version of the A320, the European aircraft manufacturer said Tuesday.

The price was not disclosed; Airbus said deliveries will begin in the third quarter of 1995.

The A321s will be powered by CFM International CFM56-5Bs jet engines and seat up to 175 passengers for use on the Ansett domestic service, including non-stop flights between Sydney and Perth.

Ansett operates eight Airbus A320s and has four more on order for delivery during 1991. In addition, the leasing company Ansett Worldwide Aviation Equipment has six A300-600R jetliners on order.

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ANKARA, TURKEY (SEPT. 4) UPI - Pakistani refugees from Kuwait entering Turkey at the rate of about 1,000 a day told officials they were made to stay in terrible living conditions in Iraqi camps and saw people die from lack of medical care.

The semi-official Anatolia News Agency Tuesday quoted Pakistan's military attache, Arshad Zathi, as saying thousands of Pakistani citizens who left Kuwait after the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion had to cross Iraqi territory to reach the Turkish border.

He said the Pakistanis were forced to stay in camps on the Iraqi side near the Habur border gate, and conditions of hygiene in the camps were terrible. Refugees said some people died from lack of medical care in the camps.

Zathi is stationed at the Habur border checkpoint to receive the refugees from Kuwait arriving after the long overland trek across Iraqi territory.

He said the Iraqi authorities were seizing vehicles bearing Kuwaiti licenseplates, and had confiscated about 4,000 so far.

Pakistani Ambassador to Turkey Aziz Khan told United Press International that 15,000 Pakistani nationals have crossed into Turkey from Iraq since Aug. 24 and were being given assistance to get them into Iran.

Last week, Iran pledged to allow foreigners from Kuwait to transit its territory on their way home and reports from Tehran said reception camps were set up on the Iranian side of the border at the Bazargan crossing point.

''We are doing whatever we can to aid our citizens to leave Turkey as fast as they can, from the Iranian border,'' Khan said.

Another 55,000 Pakistanis were reportedly waiting in camps inside Iraq for permission to cross into Turkey, he said.

''I am running a 10-person camp office in Habur,'' the ambassador said of the relief work.

The U.N. Disaster Relief Organization in Geneva said about 200,000 foreign refugees from Kuwait may be heading for the Turkish border across Iraqi soil.

The Red Crescent Society, Turkish equivalent of the Red Cross, set up a medical center near the border gate at Habur to assist the refugees, and Turkey has canceled visa fees for citizens of Asian countries to speed up their entry.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

More than 300 Britons left Kuwait City by bus Tuesday for their long journey to Baghdad in search of exit visas and a way home. British Foreign Office Minister William Waldegrave said a fleet of seven buses containing 148 women and 155 children departed the occupied city early Tuesday to begin their 500-mile journey, organized by the British Embassy in Kuwait. A private car, carrying two women and one child, also accompanied the convoy, the British Broadcasting Corp. reported. The women and children were urged to bring along enough food and water for the journey, which will take them through through extremely hot climate.

NEW YORK - The United States has secretly deployed combat aircraft in several Persian Gulf nations to help defend Saudi Arabia, The New York Times reported Tuesday. ''Every one of the gulf states is taking stuff,'' an American official said, referring to the stationing of combat aircraft in Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Oman. Only a handful of the deployments had been publicly disclosed because of the gulf nations' continuing sensitivities about inviting the Americans. The arrangements were quietly worked out by Defense Secretary Dick Cheney during his recent visit to Saudi Arabia and the gulf nations.

AMMAN, Jordan - Relief officials appealed for massive international assistance to fund the largest refugee repatriation effort since World War II, warning of a ''catastrophe'' for some 80,000 foreigners stranded in Jordan after fleeing Iraq and Kuwait. Jordan has been restricting the flow of refugees from Iraq to about 20,000 a day, and those caught in the backlog have to wait in desert areas with no sanitation and sometimes no

food and water. ''There are tens of thousands, perhaps hundreds of thousands, waiting to come,'' said Xavier Emmanuelli, director of the Paris-based Doctors Without Borders. ''These are people who are the hostages of the desert.''

TOKYO - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze called Tuesday for an international conference to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis without resorting to force in the Middle East, local news reports said. Shevardnadze, delivering a policy speech in Vladivostok in the far eastern Soviet Union, said the gulf crisis should be resolved through non-military means and the foreign military presence should be eliminated from the region, Kyodo News Service reported.

BEIJING - A move to bar Iraq from this month's Asian Games to avert a boycott by some Arab nations has left host China struggling to avoid an embarrassing political confrontation, officials acknowledged Tuesday. Senior Chinese sports officials, at a news conference, said they were still studying the implications of a telex sent to Asian Games nations by the Olympic Council of Asia to poll them on whether Iraq should be excluded from the competition.

BRUSSELS, Belgium - European Community foreign ministers will hold an emergency meeting on the Persian Gulf crisis in Rome on Friday. The session will focus on an EC aid package to countries suffering economic hardships because of U.N. sanctions on Iraq, particularly Jordan, Egypt and Turkey.

JERUSALEM - On the eve of his first trip to Washington as Israeli foreign minister, David Levy says the Persian Gulf crisis and not the stalled Israel-Arab peace process will be the primary topic of his talks with Secretary of State James Baker.

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SAVANNAH, GA (SEPT. 4) UPI - Vice President Dan Quayle said Tuesday the Georgia gubernatorial race is the premier Republican campaign in the South giving the GOP its best chance this year to capture a new governor's seat.

Quayle appeared Tuesday morning in Savannah at a $1,000-a-plate breakfast fund-raiser for Republican gubernatorial nominee Johnny Isakson - the first stop in a two-day campaign swing through Georgia, Alabama and Texas on behalf of GOP candidates.

The vice president also met with reporters, dropped into a diner for a cup of coffee and capped off his Georgia visit with a speech at a rally of about 500 Isakson supporters in a city square.

Isakson faces Democratic Lt. Gov. Zell Miller in the November general election.

''We feel that this is a key state which we can capture the governor's chair.'' Quayle told reporters. ''When you look at the South, this is the premier race in which the Republicans have a chance to replace a Democratic governor.''

Quayle said Republicans hope to add Georgia to the GOP's list of southern governorships, which include Alabama, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina and Texas.

''We look around at the rest of the South ... and we ask why Georgia should be an exception. We intend to do something about it. This is our priority race,'' the vice president said, calling Isakson ''an outstanding candidate'' and ''a class act.''

Quayle said he doesn't believe the Persian Gulf crisis will become an issue for Republicans in the general election because of strong bipartisan support for President Bush's handling of the matter.

He said it is crucial to end Iraqi aggression against Kuwait to avoid setting ''an unfortunate precedent'' in the post-Cold War era. Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, and Bush has sent U.S. military forces to Saudi Arabia to protect that country from a possible Iraqi invasion.

''Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is plundering tiny Kuwait and casting ominous glances at Saudi Arabia,'' Quayle said. ''It is important that we resolve this favorably because it is the first post- Cold War crisis. And if we do not resolve the first post-Cold War crisis favorably, it will be an unfortunate precedent established for resolving future crises.''

The vice president also warned oil companies not to use the crisis to gouge American consumers by inflating gasoline prices. Quayle said the Justice, Energy and Commerce departments are closely monitoring gasoline prices, and any company found to be gouging will be dealt with by federal authorities.

''Let me reiterate any warning to those who want to gouge the consumer on the price of gasoline and the price of oil. It will not happen on the president's watch,'' Quayle said. ''Beware, don't do it.''

Quayle also said the Bush administration is optimistic that a budget agreement can be reached with Congress before the fiscal year ends Sept. 30. He blamed the failure to obtain a budget on Congress.

''They've been dragging their feet for the last several weeks and the last several months,'' he said. ''We're now in crunch time. We basically have

30 days left before Congress wants to adjourn for the elections to get a budget agreement.''

The vice president's motorcade made an unscheduled stop at Ronnie's, a local diner, en route from Savannah International Airport to the Isakson fund-raiser so Quayle could get a cup of coffee. Quayle shook hands with Ronnie's employees and chatted briefly with a customer before the motorcade got under way again.

Ronnie's employees refused to accept Quayle's payment for the coffee, but they did take a $1 tip from the vice president.

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LONG CREEK, SC (SEPT. 4) UPI - A man who took up temporary residence in a tree to block construction of a logging road in the Sumter National Forest was released on bond Tuesday, one day after he came down from his lofty perch.

U.S. Forest Service officials said Hunter Hastings Sams, 24, of Long Creek who had been calling himself ''Forest Green,'' voluntarily came down from a platform in a 100-year-old pine tree Monday morning. He told authorities he still had food and other supplies but was exhausted.

Sams was arrested immediately on charges of interfering with a federal officer in the performance of his duties and placing an impediment or hazard to the safety of a person. The federal charges are comparable to misdemeanors in state court and carry a maximum penalty of six months in jail and a $500 fine.

Sams appeared Tuesday morning before U.S. Magistrate William Catoe in Greenville and was freed on his own recognizance. No trial date was set.

Sams climbed into the tree last Wednesday in an effort to block construction of a logging road on federal land along the Chattanooga River. He and other protesters on the ground objected to a Forest Service decision to allow clear-cutting of timber in the area, claiming it would hurt the environment and wildlife.

The Forest Service delayed construction of the road for two days while deciding how to deal with Sams, but the work resumed Friday when officials decided to work around the tree occupied by the local environmentalist.

By the weekend, the ordeal apparently had begun to wear on Sams.

''On Saturday, he told us he was ready to come down,'' said Melissa Brame, a member of South Carolina Forest Watch, an environmental group

headquartered in Long Creek. ''Psychologically, he just needed to come down.''

But Sams, who survived on bananas and peanut butter sandwiches and braved two thunderstorms in his tree stand, already had succeeded in drawing attention to the planned timber operation at the federal park. His efforts even prompted a visit from Democratic gubernatorial candidate Theo Mitchell.

However, the personal cost of the protest could be steep. Forest Service officials said Sams could be held liable for costs caused by the delay in road construction, an amount estimated at $8,000 a day.

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BOGOTA, Colombia (SEPT. 4) UPI - President Cesar Gaviria believes the United States is wasting an opportunity to make substantial gains in the war on cocaine trafficking through inaction on trade and economic issues, top government officials said.

A senior administration official also accused U.S. diplomats of ''insensitivity'' to Colombia's internal political situation. He warned a lack of concrete U.S. initiatives could contribute to waning public support in Colombia to continue the battle against powerful cocaine cartels.

Gaviria assumed office Aug. 7 promising to strengthen Colombia's effort against cocaine trafficking, a billion-dollar business.

But at the same time, his administration has taken a more aggressive, stridently critical tone in confronting U.S. pressure over cocaine production. The tone reflects the new government's belief the Bush admininstration's assistance in fighting powerful cocaine cartels has been mainly rhetoric aimed at the U.S. public rather than concrete measures of support.

''They are not helping us, they are using us for internal political reasons,'' one top official said recently.

And another said the United States ''has not done anything (in the drug war) that has ended successfully.''

The government believes U.S. inaction on trade initiatives with Colombia, Peru and Bolivia are wasting a ''window of opportunity'' that makes possible a substantial reduction in cocaine production, the official said in an interview.

The three nations at a Feb. 15 anti-drug summit at Cartagena, Colombia, proposed to Bush a program where farmers who grow the coca leaf, cocaine's main ingredient, would change to food crops. U.S. markets were to be opened to those products.

The price of coca leaf in Peru and Bolivia now is at record lows, sometimes below production costs, providing a opportunity to convince farmers to grow other crops, said one of the officials, who asked not to be named. But the U.S. has failed to act, he said, pointing to Congress's recent rejection of a new quota import system for sugar, which can be successfuly substituted for coca in some areas.

''Because of a lack of aggressive, dynamic action by the United States, we are losing an opportunity,'' the official said.

He also warned that without specific initiatives to open the U.S. market to Colombian products, the United States risks losing public support within Colombia to continue the battle on cocaine cartels.

''American diplomats forget Colombia is a democracy'' where public opinion can influence policy, he said, accusing the U.S. officials of ''insensitivity.''

''They (U.S. officials) think this policy is easy to carry out,'' he said.

A senior U.S. official said the U.S. government has been actively promoting Colombian exports to the United States and cautioned that benefits from any trade agreement would be slow in arriving.

''The fact is we are doing a lot,'' he said.

Gaviria plans to travel this month to the United States where he wants to meet with key congressman to discuss the cocaine war and trade issues, officials said. And U.S. and Colombian officials are to sit down this month to begin talks on trade issues.

In a confidential memo to Bush, Gaviria pressed for new trade initiatives and asking for help in obtaining $1 billion to continue fighting the cartels.

The memo, handed to Vice President Dan Quayle when he attended Gaviria's inauguration, was reported by El Tiempo newspaper. The memo's existence was confirmed by administration officials who also explained the contents.

The memo called for international cooperation, with emphasis on special trade arrangements, to share the costs of the drug war between cocaine producing and consuming nations.

It also asked the Bush administration to lead an effort by industrialized, cocaine-consuming nations to obtain $1 billion in financing. The government estimates the cocaine war cost it $1 billion in direct costs in the past year, with another $1 billion in economic damage in such areas as tourism.

Details of the financing proposal have not been worked out, but could be based on the sale of Colombian bonds to industrialized nations, officials said.

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BONN, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 4) UPI - A West German tabloid claims the Soviet Union will grant asylum to several top East German spies who are likely to be arrested for their former espionage acitivities after German unification Oct. 3.

The mass circulation tabloid ''Bild'' claimed the agents of the former East German State security police - known as Stasi - will seek refuge in the Soviet Union because they had closely worked with Russian intelligence.

''A circle of 50 highly professional and talented leading Stasi officers who handled important agent work for the Soviet intelligence service KGB for decades, are preparing their inconspicuous transition to the Moscow center,'' the paper said in a report to be published Wednesday.

No arrest warrants have been issued yet for former Stasi members, but it seems likely that at least some of the top people will be indicted after unification.

Bild said the group seeking refuge in the East could include former Stasi chief Markus Wolf, who it said could hide in the Soviet Union until the warrant for his arrest is quashed.

Wolf has repeatly emphasized he wanted to stay in East Germany.

The daily said the former chief of espionage in the West German intelligence service, Hans-Joachim Tiedge, who had fled to East Germany when he was caught spying for the Stasi, has already left for the Soviet Union.

Bild quoted West German intelligence sources as saying that Tiedge is already considering job offers from the Syrian, Lybian and Iranian intelligence services.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Sep. 4:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen r	1pm	58	15
Amsterdam pc	1pm	65	18
Ankara pc	3pm	66	19
Athens c	2pm	83	29
Auckland cy	12a	59	15
Beijing cy	8pm	72	22
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	58	15
Bonn cy	1pm	62	17
Brussels cy	1pm	61	16
Cairo c	2pm	93	34
Casablanca pc	12n	79	26
Copenhagen cy	1pm	61	16
Dakar cy	12n	83	29
Dublin pc	1pm	60	15
Geneva pc	1pm	76	24
Helsinki cy	2pm	56	13
Hong Kong pc	8pm	84	29
Jerusalem c	2pm	81	27
Karachi cy	5pm	87	31
Lisbon c	1pm	80	26
London pc	1pm	65	18
Madrid pc	1pm	86	30
Malta c	1pm	83	29
Manila c	8pm	90	32
Moscow r	3pm	50	10
Nairobi cy	3pm	69	21
Nassau pc	7am	84	29
New Delhi	6pm	-	-
Nice pc	1pm	78	25
Oslo cy	1pm	59	15
Paris pc	1pm	67	20
Pretoria c	2pm	68	20
Riyadh	3pm	108	42
Rome c	1pm	80	26
Seoul cy	9pm	72	22
Sofia pc	2pm	65	18
Stockholm pc	1pm	56	14
Sydney c	10pm	56	13
Taipei pc	8pm	81	27
Tokyo cy	9pm	85	29
Tunis c	1pm	85	29

Vienna cy	1pm	67	19
Warsaw pc	1pm	59	1

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	49	09
Caracas pc	8am	72	22
Havana c	7am	74	23
Lima cy	7am	58	15
Mexico City hz	6am	56	14
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	71	22
Santiago pc	8am	43	06

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90247u1502 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 4) UPI - Baghdad announced today that several unidentified countries with lots of citizens in Iraq are offering to send ''urgent food supplies to their nationals.'' An Iraqi Foreign Ministry spokesman says the the decision is in response to- quoting here- ''the imperialist blockade'' against Iraq. .

About one-thousand Pakistani refugees reportedly are entering Turkey from occupied Kuwait each day. Pakistan's military attache told Turkey's semi-official news agency the refugees endured terrible living conditions in Iraqi camps, where they saw people die from lack of medical care. .

A U-S chartered Iraqi Airways plane is expected to leave Baghdad today with 130 foreigners, including 30 Americans. Iraq is insisting that any country sending planes must grant reciprocal landing rights to Iraqi aircraft- a move that would bypass U-N sanctions. Iraq last week promised to release foreign women and children. .

Officials in Baghdad set up three post office box numbers where relatives and friends can send letters to what the Baghdad government calls ''foreign guests hosted by Iraq.'' But the U-S Postal Service last week suspended service to Iraq and occupied-Kuwait, citing difficulties in transportation.

Scientists at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland and Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia say they've discovered a genetic link to the cause of the most common type of arthritis. They found a gene defect in many of the people who suffer from arthritis in which the cartilage that cushions the hands and weight-bearing joints wears away as people age.

A drug law reform group gives the first year of the Bush administration's get-tough-on-drugs approach a failing grade. The Drug Policy Foundation says anti-drug chief William Bennett should realize that drug abuse is a health problem that only gets worse when treated with a heavy hand.

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#90247u1512 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - Top government officials in Colombia say President Cesar Gaviria believes the United States is wasting an opportunity to make a substantial dent in the war on drugs. Gaviria and other Colombian officials want the United States to use more trade and economic incentives to convince Colombians NOT to grow coca leafs for cocaine.

It's ''business as usual'' according to NASA officials preparing the shuttle Columbia for an early Thursday morning launch. Engineers today closed Columbia's payload bay doors and serviced the shuttle's electrical generators. They plan to check the ship's flight control system and prepare to load the fuel later today.

A lack of customers is forcing Sea World officials in Texas to lay off most full-time workers and close the San Antonio marine park for three months this winter. Sea World chief George Becker says winter attendance has been so low that it NO longer warrants keeping the park open.

The Westerly, Rhode Island, Town Council is considering banning the controversial rap group 2 Live Crew from performing next month. And that has the Westerly chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union up in arms. Chapter director Steve Brown says if the group is banned, the A-C- L-U may take legal action on its behalf.

The Japanese already own Rockefeller Center and are now reportedly eyeing a symbol of Soviet Communism. A Japanese news agency says an unnamed bidder is trying to buy a statue of Lenin taken down in Romania after the fall of dictator Nicolae Ceausescu.

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#90247u1550 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

MWANZA, TANZANIA (SEPT. 4) UPI - Huge crowds Tuesday flocked to hear Pope John Paul II denounce what he called ''the unspeakable crime of abortion

'' birth control, polygamy, witchcraft and bride-selling.

In the lakeside Tanzanian town of Mwanza on the fourth day of the pope's 11-day African tour, thousands from neighboring Kenya and Uganda swelled the Tanzanian congregation for the open air mass. Witnesses estimated the milling crowds in the port town on the shores of Lake Victoria at several hundred thousand.

In his sermon, the pontiff called for an end to witchcraft - common throughout East Africa - because he said it led to ''forms of enslavement and false worship.''

Referring to the widespread African custom of bride-price - a form of reverse dowry in which the groom gives the bride's family a gift of money or cattle before the marriage - the pope denounced the temptations of materialism.

''Don't let the excesses and abuses of these customs lead to attitudes which judge the dignity and worth of persons only on the basis of wealth and possessions,'' John Paul said.

He spoke out strongly against artificial birth control, which many Western aid organizations are promoting throughout Africa in the face of the continent's population explosion.

''Moral duty is urgent today in the face of new dangers and threats to innocent human life and the sanctity of marriage,'' he said.

''Among those threats I include the unspeakable crime of abortion and methods of birth control that are contrary to the truth of married love, as a gift by which a husband and wife become collaborators with God in giving life to a new human person.''

''It is God's will that this sacred union exists only between two people. When a man marries a woman he pledges to give his love to her and her alone,'' the pontiff added on polygamy, which is common throughout the region.

This is the Pope's seventh visit to Africa, but his first to Tanzania and its 5.34 million Catholics.

The Pope's themes Tuesday were new on this trip. He had hitherto chosen to stress the need for Moslems and Christians to work together since his arrival in East Africa Saturday. Tanzania is 21 percent Catholic, 25 percent Moslem and the balance follow traditional, animist beliefs.

Tanzania has seen growing tension between its mainly coastal Moslems and up-country Christians since President Ali Hassan Mwinyi, a Moslem,

succeeded devout Catholic Julius Nyerere in 1985.

''As believers in one, merciful God it is essential that we develop a relationship of justice, brotherhood and mutual respect,'' John Paul said Monday to Moslem and Christian leaders.

He said birth control was ''contrary to the truth of married love.''

On previous African tours, the Pope has caused controversy by his stand against the use of all contraceptives.

Tanzania, like many other African countries concerned by their high birth rates, encourages the use of birth contol.

Many governments also advise the use of condoms in combatting the spread of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, AIDS.

Tanzania has reported more than 5,000 cases of AIDS, one of the highest per capita country totals in the world, according to the World Health Organization, which says that reported third world cases are probably only one third of actual cases.

The Pope's whistle-stop tour of Tanzania continued Tuesday afternoon when he flew 180 miles south from Mwanza to Tabora.

There he gave crucifixes to lay preachers at a gathering in a sports stadium.

In the late afternoon his itinerary took him miles northeast to Moshi, situated in the shadow of Mount Kilimanjaro, the highest mountain in Africa.

Moshi, a tourist center and base for climbing to the 19,340-foot summit of the free-standing mountain immortalized by Earnest Hemingway in his book ''The Snows of Kilimanjaro,'' has a population of 65,000 and more than 60 percent of its inhabitants are Catholics.

Police estimate more than 300,000 people, including 1,000 who have come from neighboring Kenya, may attend a mass Wednesday morning celebrating 100 years of the Roman Catholic Church in northern Tanzania.

The pope flies Wednesday afternoon to Burundi, which borders Tanzania to the West, and from there to Rwanda.

His tour is scheduled to finish in Ivory Coast in West Africa, where he plans Sept. 10. to consecrate an enormous basilica built at the controversial cost of $150 million by Ivorian President Felix Houphouet-Boigny.

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#90247u1553 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - Non-farm productivity increased a revised 1.5 percent in the second quarter of 1990 after falling 1.9 percent in the first quarter of the year, the Labor Department said Tuesday.

But productivity - or the hourly output per worker - was off 0.9 percent when compared with the second quarter of last year.

''The basic message is still the same,'' said Robert Dederick, chief economist at Northern Trust in Chicago. ''Production gains are inadequate to offset the wage increases.''

''The result we have is an increase in unit labor costs that are consistent with inflation that is locked in the 4 percent bracket,'' Dederick said. ''Production still seems to be a weak spot in the economy.''

The government initially reported in August that non-farm productivity advanced by 1.6 percent in the second quarter.

Worker output was up 1.5 percent in April, May and June while total hours worked were unchanged, according to the latest report by the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Hourly compensation rose 5.8 percent, but when counting inflation was ahead by only 2 percent, the government said.

In January, February and March, hourly compensation increased 3.2 percent while ''real compensation per hour'' fell 4.5 percent. Second quarter unit labor costs were up 4.3 percent vs. a gain of 5.2 percent in the first quarter.

The implicit price deflator, a barometer of inflation tied to the productivity report, rose 4.6 percent in the second quarter following a 3.8 percent increase in the first quarter.

Manufacturing productivity, meanwhile, increased more rapidly that other sectors of the economy, growing by a revised 4 percent in the second quarter of 1990 after a 5.1 percent increase in the first quarter.

Manufacturing output rose 4 percent and total hours worked edged up 0.1 percent.

''All of the productivity gain occurred in durable goods industries, where output rose 6.8 percent, average weekly hours declined 0.5 percent, and employment rose 0.1 percent,'' the Labor Department said.

Hourly compensation for factory workers was up 6.3 percent in the second quarter, but when counting inflation was up only 2.5 percent. Unit labor costs for manufacturing gained 2.2 percent.

All the data in the report was adjusted for seasonal factors.

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#90247u1558 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - A U.S warship in the Gulf of Oman seized an Iraqi freighter carrying tea from Sri Lanka Tuesday and the United States chartered an Iraqi plane to ferry out 30 Americans and 100 other nationals from Baghdad later in the day.

Hundreds of Britons left Kuwait City on a grueling bus journey to Baghdad in search of exit visas and a way home, while Iraq said several nations with citizens stranded in Iraq and occupied Kuwait have offered to provide food in defiance of the U.N. trade embargo.

In the first seizure in the U.S. naval interception program that began Aug. 16 to enforce the U.N. economic sanctions imposed on Iraq after the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, the guided missile destroyer USS Goldsborough ordered the Iraqi vessel Zanoobia, to go to the Omani port of Muscat where it was being held, Pentagon spokesman Pete Wiiliams said.

In Washington, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said U.S. officials had been working to arrange an airlift out of about 30 Americans and 100 other foreign nationals, but that the hostages had not yet been allowed to leave.

He accused the Iraqis of trying ''to frustrate our efforts'' to get out as many Americans as possible and dismissed suggestions that chartering an aircraft from the Iraqis was a violation of the economic sanctions against Iraq.

The release of foreign women and children promised by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ran into fresh obstacles following the weekend airlift of several hundred Westerners when Iraq insisted that any country sending planes must grant reciprocal landing rights to Iraqi aircraft - an arrangement that would contravene the U.N. sanctions.

An estimated 2,000 Americans are among thousands of Westerners and Japanese who remain trapped in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

Iraq, which has said is holding citizens of ''aggressive nations'' at strategic installations as ''shields'' to prevent an attack by U.S.- led forces in the region, has continued to round up foreign men.

The British Foreign Office said 18 more British men were taken into custody by Iraqis during the past few days and detained at strategic installations, probably oil refineries.

In addition to the Westerners, about 80,000 refugees - mostly laborers from poor Asian countries - are living in deteriorating conditions near the Jordanian border because they cannot afford flights home and their governments lack sufficient funds to arrange transportation.
In other developments:

- The New York Times reported the United States has secretly deployed combat aircraft in several Persian Gulf nations to help defend Saudi Arabia. Only a handful of the deployments had been publicly disclosed because of the nations' continuing sensitivities about inviting in the U.S. military.

-The White House announced that President Bush will ask Congress to forgive Egypt's $7.1 billion military debt to the United States in recognition of Egypt's support in the Gulf and the losses it faces from sanctions against Iraq,

- The French newspaper Liberation cited PLO official Abu Iyad as saying the Iraqi president would be willing to withdraw from Kuwait in exchange for guarantees Iraq would not be attacked, promises that Iraq could keep two parcels of Kuwaiti land and that Kuwait's exiled emir not be allowed to return to power. Fitzwater dismissed the offer by repeating the U.S. demands for ''unconditional withdrawal'' from Kuwait and the restoration of its ''legitimate government.''

''We have seen Saddam Hussein make all kinds of overtures of one kind or another in the last several days,'' Fitzwater said, ''but they never seem to hold up and they never meet our basic objectives. That situation has not changed.''

-Fitzwater acknowledged that some goods continue to reach Iraq by overland route through Jordan, but insisted that was ''not a major problem in terms of the total effectiveness of the sanctions, which we believe are beginning to bite.''

- The United States requested airlift as well as sealift help from NATO allies to transport troops and material to the Gulf in line with Bush's appeal for financial support, and at least three countries agreed, NATO sources said.

- Jordan's King Hussein wound up a four-hour visit to Rome. Italian officials announced the monarch will fly to the Iraqi capital of Baghdad ''within 48 hours'' to continue his one-man diplomatic effort for a

solution to the crisis.

- Egypt, which sent between 3,000 to 5,000 troops into Saudi Arabia, sent an unspecified number of soldiers to the United Arab Emirates ''to boost the defensive capabilities of the UAE against any external aggression,'' Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency said.

- The 21-member Arab League named as its interim leaders As'aad el- As'aad a Lebanese assistant to Arab League Secretary-General Chadli Klibi who resigned Monday amid deep divisions over the Persian Gulf crisis.

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#90247u1597 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (SEPT. 4) UPI - A British company Tuesday began marketing an electronic device that can be mounted on a car's dashboard and warns of traffic jams ahead, giving the driver a chance to choose an alternate route.

The Trafficmaster - a 6-by-5-inch electronic map that reads traffic information from a network of infrared speed sensors planted on highway bridges - is the first of its kind, according to the company, General Logistics.

Designed for mounting on vehicle dashboards to help drivers save time and avoid wasting fuel by revealing less congested routes, Trafficmaster also can provide information to drivers already stuck in a traffic jam.

''Before, if you were late for a meeting, you just looked at your watch,'' said Susan Beverley, spokeswoman for General Logistics. ''They're not claiming it will reduce traffic congestion, but at least you'll know how long you are going to be stuck in it.''

The system now covers 200 miles of roads within a 35-mile radius of central London, including part of the busiest motorway network in Europe, the M25. The entire country is to be covered by 1993.

The price tag for snarl-free driving is hefty. First-year installation and equipment costs for Trafficmaster are estimated at about $1,128.

The sales pitch is high-tech.

''An audible tone will alert you each time new traffic information is received. The display will automatically zoom in to show a close-up of the problem zone and reveal the extent of the hazard ... indicating the average traffic speed,'' a Trafficmaster brochure explained.

The system works through sensors mounted on roadways that monitor traffic

flow, then feed the information to a 24-hour control center for evaluation.

The control center puts traffic data into the system, updating it every few minutes. Drivers decide which road network they want to use, then press a button on their Trafficmaster to find the most traffic-free route.

General Logistics expects to sell more than 1,000 Trafficmasters a month during the next year.

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#90247u1612 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

KATMANDU, NEPAL (SEPT. 4) UPI - King Birendra has failed to review Nepal's proposed constitution that will severely limit his powers while creating a multi-party democracy, sources close to a constitutional committee said.

The Harvard-educated king, Prime Minister Krishna Prasad Bhattarai and the chairman of a nine-member Constitutional Recommendations Commission had been scheduled to meet Monday at the Royal Palace to finalize the date of formally announcing the draft constitution, but the meeting was canceled.

Sources close to the commission quoted an aide to the monarch as saying, ''The king has yet to go through the draft of the constitution.''

The sources said the government and the commission were to meet Tuesday to put the final touches on the draft, submitted to the palace last week.

The commission - consisting of members of the Nepali Congress Party and the United Left Front, a coalition of seven communist parties - completed its work by a Sept. 1 deadline. Palace officials said the deadline had been extended until Sept. 6.

As word spread of the delays, posters appeared in several parts of Katmandu Tuesday demanding the immediate promulgation of the new constitution. Some leftists threatened to unilaterally disclose the draft of the constitution if the palace did not release it.

Newspaper reports indicated the palace wanted an auspicious date to promulgate the constitution, itself the result of massive street demonstrations last February that forced the king to accept limitations on his power and multi-party elections.

One possible explanation for the delay was that Hindu custom requires the living to offer remembrances to the dead during a 16-day period starting Wednesday, a solemn period for announcing such a document.

However, others saw the delay as an attempt by the palace to stall the

transition to multi-party democracy and restriction of the king's authority.

Commission members reportedly have suggested under the new charter, the king will exercise executive powers only on the recommendation of the government, and his control over the once-loyal army will be weakened.

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#90247u1618 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange Tuesday said a seat was sold on the exchange for $301,000, down $4,000 from the last sale Aug. 31.

The exchange said the current bid for an exchange seat is $280,000, while the offering price is $350,000.

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#90247u1653 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEWARK, NJ (SEPT. 4) UPI - A Kuwaiti cargo ship that was returning Iraqi-bound cargo to the United States was detained briefly Tuesday until it was reflagged in the United Arab Emirates, U.S. Customs officials said.

The Al-Wattyah was held in the Port of Newark after it arrived about 10 p.m. Monday night, but was released before noon on Tuesday when its registry was changed to the UAE, said Joan Baran, a Customs spokeswoman in New York.

''The registry has been changed, so it is free to go whenever it wishes,'' she said.

The ship unloaded three containers of machinery and engine parts that were destined for Iraq that were loaded in Baltimore before the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq, she said.

''It was a Kuwaiti ship, it picked up goods before the embargo and was on the high seas and it made its ports and then it came here and returned the goods,'' she said.

Customs officials declined to release the name of the company that produced the equipment and Ed O'Reilly, with shipping agent Kerr Steamship Co. Inc. in New York, refused to discuss the ship, owned by the United Arab Shipping Co.

Cargo manifests listed the equipment as ''machine parts, engines, engine parts and turn valve machinery,'' Baran said.

As part of the economic embargo imposed against Iraq and Kuwait following the Iraqi invasion of its southern neighbor, President Bush has frozen all of the two countries' assets in the United States.

Under the embargo, Customs agents are charged with examining - and possibly seizing - products being exported by the two countries.

''The reason it was detained because we were enforcing the embargo,'' Baran said. ''Now everything has been settled and the ship is '''Now everyt

In the months since it left Baltimore, the ship called at Bombay, India, Karachi, Pakistan, Dubai, UAE, and Italy, Baran said.

Members of the Pakistani crew, shouting to a television reporter on a nearby tugboat, said they had most recently been in Spain before arriving in the United States.

The crew members complained they have been denied shore leave since the invasion because of the ship's registration.

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#90247u1666 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 4) UPI - Temple University professors Tuesday walked picket lines instead of teaching in what they vowed could be a protracted strike unless their demands on wages and benefits are met.

Many students, most of whom moved onto the campus over the weekend, expressed surprise and anger that the professors' strike could delay their education.

Some 100 unionized professors, librarians and other professionals toted picket signs reading ''Temple unfair to education'' at entrances to a dozen campus buildings.

The university did not officially cancel classes for its 34,000 students, but many students left their classes after finding that professors were not there.

Art Hochner, president of the 1,100-member Temple Association of University Professionals, vowed to keep classes from convening.

''I want to tell everybody in Philadelphia that classes are not going to be held here,'' Hochner said.

The sticking point in the negotiations was the school's proposal that union members chip in $260 a year to pay part of their health insurance premiums, said Temple negotiator Robert Harrington.

Harrington criticized the union for going on strike without first submitting to a fact-finding process.

''This is absolutely unfair for the students, particularly when the law that we operate under provides for fact finding as a way to study issues, as a way to examine them and as a way to have somebody from an impartial stance make a recommendation,'' he said.

Hochner pledged to maintain the walkout until the administration caved in to the union's demands.

''We are out here with overwhelming support,'' Hochner said.

The rejected contract proposal also called for a 5 percent base pay raise, Hochner said. The university insists its averages 6 percent a year, because it includes a merit pay pool and funding to equalize salaries of veteran professors.

University officials were asking cooperation and compromise to settle the strike but Hochner charged that the administration ''had not changed its position'' since its proposal was rejected.

Average faculty salaries at Temple range from $35,800 for assistant professors to $54,600 for full professors, the university said.

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#90247u1674 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (SEPT. 4) UPI - Thousands of high-caste Indians staged rallies, strikes and demonstrations across the northern part of the country Tuesday to protest a decision that would reserve 27 percent of all government jobs for members of so-called backward classes.

Protests in Patna, the capital of Bihar state 530 miles southeast of New Delhi, degenerated into violence. Youths torched vehicles, damaged shops and hurled bricks at police, who fired tear gas and charged into the mob wielding batons and rifles.

The Press Trust of India news agency said two protesters were killed in the incident, including a youth who died after being clubbed with rifle butts. The agency said scores of other people were injured in the encounter.

The protests and strikes, which also affected New Delhi and several other states, came as part of a continuing reaction to a government decision to reserve 27 percent of public jobs for backward classes.

The administration of Prime Minister V.P. Singh created a storm of controversy Aug. 7 when it decided to implement the 10-year-old proposal, which calls for reserving civil service jobs in a bid to improve the social condition of the underprivileged.

The decision touched off a series of violent protests and polarized the country and its politicians. Critics of the plan charge that it enshrines the caste system in government policy and will make the bureaucracy more inefficient by granting jobs on the basis of caste rather than qualifications.

Proponents of the program say it will give members of backward and disadvantaged classes an opportunity to enter a government bureaucracy that is dominated by members of the higher castes.

An estimated 15,000 high-caste youths in new delhi protested the plan tuesday despite a driving rain that soaked the crowd of demonstrators gathered at the boat club lawns near parliament.

''We want them (the government) to universalize education so that they (the backward classes) can be on par with us,'' said Ashwini Shankar, a spokesman for students opposed to the job reservation scheme. ''We don't believe that reservations based on caste is a solution to the problem.''

Some students charged that the decision was part of a government tendency to try to appease politically powerful groups by handing out jobs. In the 1950s, authorities reserved 22 percent of government jobs for harijans, or untouchables, who are at the lowest end of the caste system.

''If this policy of appeasement continues, it will bring the country to the brink of disaster,'' said one student.

Protesters opposed to the government decision staged strikes in several towns and villages in the western state of rajasthan, the Press Trust reported. the agency said no violence was reported during the strikes.

In Haryana state just north of the capital, protesters opposed to the job reservation scheme set ablaze 20 vehicles and six trains, PTI said. The agency said protesters also damaged 32 government vehicles.

In Bhubaneswar, the capital of eastern Orissa state 840 miles southeast of New Delhi, police arrested members of the state Congress (I) Party as they began a procession to protest the job reservation plan.

The party's national organization is headed by former prime minister Rajiv Gandhi, who has criticized the government for the manner in which it tried to implement the plan but has not rejected it outright.

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#90247u1681 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 4) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.61 1/2	2.61 1/2	1.55 1/4	2.56 1/4	2.62 1/2
Dec	2.77 1/2	2.77 1/2	2.72 1/4	2.74 1/4	2.77 1/2
Mar	2.88	2.88 1/2	2.84	2.86 1/4	2.88 1/4
May	2.95	2.95	2.91	2.93 3/4	2.95 1/2
Jly	3.00 1/4	3.01 3/4	2.98	2.99 3/4	3.01 1/2
Sep	3.06 1/2	3.06 1/2	3.04 1/2	3.04 1/2	3.07
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.43	2.43	2.39 1/2	2.40 3/4	2.43 1/4
Dec	2.32 1/2	2.34 1/2	2.32	2.34 1/4	2.33 1/4
Mar	2.41 1/4	2.43 1/2	2.41	2.43 1/4	2.42
May	2.48 1/2	2.50 1/2	2.48	2.50 1/2	2.49 1/4
Jly	2.53 1/4	2.54 3/4	2.52 1/2	2.54 3/4	2.53 1/2
Sep	2.53 1/2	2.54 1/4	2.52 3/4	2.54	2.53
Dec	2.53 1/4	2.54 3/4	2.52 3/4	2.54 1/2	2.54
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.05 1/2	1.07 3/4	1.05 1/2	1.07 3/4	1.05
Dec	1.18 1/2	1.19 3/4	1.18	1.19 1/2	1.17 1/2
Mar	1.30 3/4	1.31 1/4	1.30	1.31	1.29 1/4
May	1.37	1.37 1/4	1.36	1.37 1/4	1.36
Jly	1.42 1/2	1.43 1/2	1.43 1/2	1.43 1/2	1.42
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	6.00 1/2	6.08 1/2	6.00	6.08	6.01
Nov	6.14 1/2	6.25	6.14	6.24 1/4	6.13 3/4
Jan	6.27 1/2	6.38	6.27 1/2	6.37 1/2	6.27 1/4
Mar	6.41	6.50 1/2	6.41	6.50 1/2	6.40
May	6.48 1/2	6.58	6.48	6.58	6.47
Jly	6.54	6.64	6.54	6.64	6.54
Aug	6.50 1/2	6.54	6.50	6.54	6.49
Sep	6.33	6.37	6.33	6.37	6.34 1/2
Nov	6.25	6.30	6.24 1/2	6.29 1/4	6.24 1/2
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Sep	24.15	24.27	23.97	24.27	24.17
Oct	23.93	24.14	23.86	24.13	24.01
Dec	23.95	24.30	23.95	24.29	24.06
Jan	24.15	24.42	24.12	24.41	24.19
Mar	24.35	24.59	24.30	24.52	24.38

May	24.50	24.70	24.42	24.70	24.55
Jly	24.55	24.70	24.55	24.70	24.60
Aug	24.30	24.40	24.35	24.37	24.30
Oct	24.10	24.30	24.10	23.97	24.10

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	173.50	176.20	173.50	175.70	173.80
Oct	175.30	178.40	175.30	177.90	175.70
Dec	179.10	182.70	179.10	182.20	179.60
Jan	181.00	184.20	181.00	183.60	181.10
Mar	184.00	186.20	184.00	186.20	184.20
May	187.50	188.50	187.50	188.00	186.30
Jly	189.50	191.00	189.00	191.00	189.00
Aug	188.00	189.20	188.00	189.20	188.50
Sep	187.70	188.20	187.70	188.20	187.70

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RIVERHEAD, NY (SEPT. 4) UPI - A burglar seeking money for a trip stabbed a woman as she slept and then sat on her body and counted her heartbeats until she died, a prosecutor charged Tuesday.

Suffolk County District Attorney James Catterson said in his opening statement in the trial of Thomas Lyden, 22, and co-defendant Daniel Toal, 21, that the two went to an apartment in St. James on Long Island on July 18, 1989, seeking money to go to Puerto Rico.

Lea Greene, 35, a nurse, was asleep in her bed when the two men entered through an unlocked door looking for valuables, Catterson told jurors.

Catterson pointed to Lyden.

''He saw her sleeping in the bedroom, went in and sat on the bed and checked to see if she was breathing,'' the prosecutor said.

''He took that knife and plunged it into her neck until you could hear the larynx crack,'' he said. ''He held her down and counted her heartbeat until he got to 74. Then they stopped.''

Greene's father, Robert Greene, assistant managing editor of the newspaper Newsday, sat in the front row of the courtroom and listened without apparent emotion.

Catterson told jurors a neighbor saw the two loading stolen items into Lyden's car and called police.

The pair drove to Lyden's house in Rocky Point, he said. On the way, he

said, they tossed out Greene's checkbook and jewelry they thought was worthless. They cleaned up, changed their clothes and headed for Queens to sell the stolen goods, Catterson said.

On the way, he said, they stopped in Medford for gas. Police spotted their car and arrested them. After they were caught, both men gave written and videotaped confessions to police.

Lyden's lawyer, Steven Lupow, told the jury Lyden was a chronic alcoholic who suffered from blackouts and ''altered personality'' and was not responsible for his actions.

He said Lyden, a former sailor, was born to alcoholic parents and had been judged emotionally disturbed as a child. Lyden failed the ninth grade three times and dropped out of high school at 16, he said.

''He has no recollection of what happened that morning,'' Lupow said. ''The alcoholic pathology prevented the intent for the burglary and definitely the murder. He couldn't (have) intent to kill under those circumstances.''

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in dull trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Lower in dull trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in nervous trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in thin trading.

Dollar - Closed marginally lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 2 1/2 to up 1 1/4, soybeans up 2 1/2 to 11, wheat off 1 3/4 to 6 1/4 and oats up 1 1/4 to 2 3/4.

Cattle trade - Moderately active, $1 to $1.50 lower, Top $74 to $75.

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#90247u1716 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	387.00 up 1.75
Morning fixing	386.75 off 0.25
Afternoon fixing	381.40 off 5.60
Close	382.25 off 4.75
Paris	386.73 off 1.62
Zurich	383.50 off 4.00
Hong Kong	389.05 off 2.03
New York	
Comex spot close	383.70 up 1.40
Republic cash	384.75 up 2.00
Handy and Harman	381.40 off 6.35

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 382.70 off 6.36 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 401.84 off 6.67 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.719 off 0.04
Republic cash	4.76 off 0.03

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.74 per fine ounce off 0.06

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.745 off 0.07 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.077 off 0.075

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 486.00 off 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 586.00 off 2.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 112.00 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 127.00 off 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90247u1735 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
DOVER, DE (SEPT. 4) UPI - The victims of the C-5 transport plane crash last week in West Germany arrived back in the United States through Dover

Air Force Base during the holiday weekend, officials said Tuesday.

In keeping with Air Force procedures, there was no public ceremony to mark the return of the 13 servicemen and reservists who died when the giant plane crashed on takeoff at Ramstein Air Base.

Air Force officials said eight of the bodies arrived at the Delaware base Tesday aboard a C-141 from Rhein Main Air Base in West Germany. Four other crash victims arrived Monday night, and the body of Capt. Bradley Schuldt of Arlington Heights, Ill., arrived Sunday aboard a C-5.

Four other crewmen aboard the plane survived the crash, which remains under Air Force investigation.

The plane was being flown by a crew of Air Force Reserve members from the 433rd Military Airlift Wing based at Kelly Air Base near San Antonio, Texas. Crew fatigue has been suggested as a possible cause of the crash.

One of the pilots on the plane was Maj. John Gordon, 46, of Spring, Texas, who had served with the Delaware Air National Guard for 17 years.

The remaining victims of the crash included: Maj. Richard Chase, pilot; Sgt. Rosendo Herra, flight engineer; Sgt. Carpio Villarreal, flight engineer; Sgt. Daniel Perez, loadmaster; Sgt. Edward Sheffield, loadmaster; Maj. Richard Price, first pilot; Sgt. Lonty Knutson, crew chief; and Sgt. Daniel Garza, crew chief.

While ceremonies honoring the victims of military actions or accidents have traditionally been held at Dover Air Force Base in recent years, there have never been any for Air Force members who died in action or in accidents.

''They do leave with an escort and the service members are entitled to military honors at the request of the next of kin and typically, that takes place at graveside,'' said Capt. Chris Geisel, a base spokesman.

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BY LEE STOKES - UPI

CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 4) UPI - The resignation of the Arab League secretary general over his handling of the Gulf crisis may spark the biggest split in the 21-member organization since Egypt signed a controversial peace treaty with Israel 11 years ago, analysts said Tuesday.

Chedli Klibi, a Tunisian, was the first non-Egyptian to get the job of secretary general since the Arab League was founded in 1945.

''Klibi angered the Saudis, the Egyptians and the Syrians by his handling of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait,'' said one Cairo-based Arab diplomat.

''His resignation could cause the biggest rift in Arab ranks since Egypt signed the peace treaty (with Israel in 1979),'' the diplomat said. ''Pro-Iraq Arab nations could conceivably set up their own parallel Arab League.''

Egypt, Syria, Morocco and other pro-Kuwait Arab nations were the most vociferous at recent Arab League meetings in Cairo to demand that Klibi press members to send troops to Saudi Arabia to defend it against Iraqi aggression.

In the face of Klibi's reluctance to do so Egypt, Syria and Morocco went ahead and sent troops to Saudi Arabia anyway.

But Iraqi anger at the move apparently prompted Klibi's home country Tunisia, as well as Yemen, Jordan, the Palestine Liberation Organization, Sudan, Algeria and Mauritania to stay away from the last Arab League session in Cairo. Only 13 out of 21 Arab delegations showed up.

The reasons why individual Arab countries either criticize or support Iraq are varied. Syria is Iraq's arch Arab ideological foe. The PLO maintains close political ties with Baghdad. Jordan has strategic and economic reasons for keeping on good terms with its bigger neighbor, and Yemen has traditionally maintained close ties with Iraq as a counterbalance against its neighbor Saudi Arabia.

Another complicating factor is Egypt's own position within the Arab League. After it signed a peace treaty with Israel, the League's headquarters were moved in 1979 from Cairo to Tunis.

And even though a majority of Arab states have now voted to move League headquarters back to Cairo, making the transition ''a formality'' according to Cairo Radio, Iraq's allies within the organization were expected to oppose the move.

Klibi resigned to avoid being associated with such a maneuver, diplomatic sources in Tunis said, which would be seen as a victory for Egypt over Iraq and its supporters.

But Egypt would prefer that all members remain within the organization even if there are disagreements, to give greater clout to the Arab League when its headquarters were moved back to Cairo later this year, Egyptian foreign ministry officials said.

''I don't think this is the end of the Arab League,'' Egyptian Foreign

Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid told reporters this week.

Political analysts in Beirut said Cairo was maneuvering to ensure an Egyptian would soon be voted the next permanent secretary general of the organization.

The analysts said ''the naming of Lebanese Assad al Assad as acting secretary general would allow Egypt to assign an Egyptian for this post very soon.''

Assad, whose country is allied with Syria against Iraq, is the eldest among the assistant secretary generals and was expected to retire within a year.

Former Arab League Secretary General Mahmoud Riad agreed with Meguid, telling the Arabic Service of the British Broadcasting Corp. Tuesday that he did not believe the organization would split into two groups, one based in Cairo and a pro-Iraqi group based in Tunis.

Riad admitted that the Arab League was now ''paralyzed.''

The Egyptian daily El Messa Tuesday blamed the split on an Iraqi ''plot to set up a parallel, pro-Iraqi organization.'' But the newspaper said Egyptian diplomacy was capable of confronting such a plot and ensuring such a damaging split did not occur.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Gold futures closed 100 to 140 points higher Tuesday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	382.00	382.00	382.00	383.70	382.30
Oct	385.50	386.70	382.30	386.00	384.60
Dec	390.10	391.80	386.70	390.50	389.20
Feb	395.20	395.20	392.00	394.70	393.40
Apr	398.40	399.50	395.00	398.80	397.50
Jun	401.70	401.70	401.70	403.20	401.90
Aug	407.00	....	....	407.30	406.00
Oct	411.60	....	....	411.90	410.60
Dec	416.70	416.70	415.00	416.50	415.20
Feb	419.30	419.30	419.30	421.50	420.30
Apr	426.20	....	....	426.30	425.20
Jun	429.00	429.00	428.50	431.30	430.30

Open interest: 123,147 off 2,030.

Estimated sales: 35,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 2 to 19 points higher. SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.45	10.71	10.39	10.52	10.33
Mar	10.38	10.53	10.29	10.40	10.30
May	10.45	10.53	10.35	10.42	10.40
Jly	10.40	10.50	10.35	10.43	10.37
Oct	10.45	10.50	10.41	10.53	10.40

Estimated sales: 20,697 contracts
Open interest: 118,752 off 172
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.65

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 1 point higher to 1 point lower.
SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.37	23.38	23.37	23.38	23.38
Jan	23.14	23.14	23.14	23.15	23.15
Mar	22.95	....	....	22.96	22.95
May	23.00	....	....	23.01	23.02
Jly	23.00	....	....	23.01	23.02
Sep	23.00	....	....	23.01	23.00
Nov	22.78	....	....	22.88	22.87

Estimated sales: 105 contracts
Open interest: 10,383 up 10

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#90247u1772 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

ON THE SAUDI ARABIAN FRONT (SEPT. 4) UPI - Some people think the Saudi desert a godforsaken place, but not Lt. Samir Saleh, a Saudi officer for whom the mission against Iraq has more to do with theology than territory or oil.

''America has a good strong army, but if we go to the army it is because we want to die here,'' the bearded soldier, who serves as a religious affairs officer, said during a Tuesday press visit to frontline Arab positions.

''Americans don't want that,'' he explained. ''Maybe they want oil. Maybe they want to kill Saddam (Hussein). But Allah will help the Moslems ... our heart is not in the ground, it is in the sky.''

If war erupts, these men from the Saudi army and eight other Arab militaries under Riyadh's command will surely see the first ground action and take the first casualties.

It is a different military experience from the American deployments, which are further south in other defensive positions should Baghdad order its estimated 170,000 soldiers and 1,000 tanks to roll across the border from occupied Kuwait.

The Arab forces are strewn near the Kuwaiti frontier across a vast, unyielding pancake-plateau of sand, on which the only protrusions are man-made objects, usually shimmering on the horizon in the 113-degree heat.

Encampments consist of a scattered circle of vehicles and tents, with armor nestled into deep trenches to conceal and protect them from any advancing ground forces.

At one camp, a group of Saudi soldiers rested in their shelter, sipping tea and listening to Islamic prayer ballads on radio.

Troopers five times a day emerge and honor the time-bound ritual of praying to Mecca. They stand devoutly against the backdrop of never-ending desert, before prostrating toward Islam's holiest site.

The atmosphere may be more low-key, the weapons less high-tech and nasty than the U.S. arsenal, but as Saleh attests, there is no shortage of resolve among men who are defending not only their country, but their faith.

For them, the stakes are high because they are motivated by deep feelings of culture and religion.

Most Iraqis are fellow practicing Sunni Moslems, but the Arab soldiers said the root of their rightousness is objection to Saddam's secular socialist Ba'athist ideology.

The Iraqi leader lost credibility by calling on all Moslems to rebel against the Saudi government for allowing defiling western soldiers into the nation of Mecca and Medina.

Although few Arab troopers expressed any great love for the West, Saddam's tactic has been viewed as a ploy to exploit Islam for personal and political goals.

Saddam's invasion of another Arab nation was an unprecedented event this century, and many soldiers expressed hopes that beyond the geopolitical turmoil, the affinity of Arabs would remain intact.

''We have come here to defend the Arab nation but we hope that there won't be a war,'' said an Egyptian paratrooper, brandishing a Kalashnikov assault rifle. ''Arab blood is too precious.''

But the question of how American and Arab forces would meld on the battlefield remains moot.

Defense Minister Prince Saud's Saturday statement that the kingdom would only be host for operations in defense of the nation has also raised questions about whether Riyadh would oppose any unilateral U.S. plan against Iraq, perhaps to free Western hostages.

Brig. Gen. Mohammad Shehri said about 60,000 Arab soldiers were now deployed, of whom some 20,000 were from friendly Arab nations.

Officials said there are about 3,000 Syrians, 3,000 Moroccans, 2,000 Egyptians, some 2,000 each from the Gulf states of Oman, Qatar, Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates, with the rest coming from the remanents of Kuwait's defeated army. Pakistani units will arrive soon.

Baghdad has shown great caution since the U.S. military began pouring in, and analysts believe it will not attack Saudi Arabia because this would be an act of national suicide, certain to incur retaliatory attacks on strategic targets deep inside Iraq.

But should Saddam make that risky decision, northern Saudi Arabia is perfect tank terrain of flat baked sand that is the next best thing to a freeway and would allow Iraqi's Soviet armor to invade at near full speed.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - The failure of state governments to regulate child care operations is jeopardizing the health and safety of millions of American children, a study released Tuesday by the Children's Defense Fund said.

The report on state efforts to assure quality child care found that nearly half of the more than 6 million American children in out-of-home child care settings ''remain unprotected'' despite state assurances.

''At first glance, nearly every state appears to have a system that responds to parental concerns about quality,'' said Gina Adams, the report's author. ''But a closer look reveals that states do not provide even minimal health and safety protections for nearly one-half of all children being care for outside their homes.''

Adams urged final approval of federal child care legislation passed by the

House and Senate but now languishing in a conference committee. The legislation would help parents and states meet the cost of child care and enhance the quality of child care programs.

In general, Adams said more serious problems are found in southern and central western states in terms of whether licensing is required, the adequacy of licensing requirements and level of enforcement of laws on the books.

Historically, the South has not had enough money to finance programs affecting children and the West's attitude often has been that '''we don't want people telling us what to do,''' Adams said.

One of the biggest loopholes, the report said, is that many states just regulate child care programs that receive public funds, while other programs are exempt from state laws or operate illegally.

Adams said 2.6 million children, or 43 percent of those in out-of- home child care, are in programs exempt from state regulation. ''These programs often are not subject to any state regulation, and therefore are not required to meet even basic health and safety requirements,'' Adams said.

Another problem involves ''family day care'' programs, which are operated out of a provider's home, the report found. About half of all children in day care are served in these settings, and the majority of them are cared for in homes serving fewer than six youngsters. Yet 22 states exempt from regulation, including inspection, programs serving five or fewer unrelated children. Thirty-six states exempt programs serving three or fewer children.

''This is all the more alarming because infants and toddlers - the most vulnerable of young children - are more often cared for in family day care homes than in other child care settings,'' Adams said.

Adams also said about one-third of all child care centers are operated by religious institutions, but 13 states fully or partially exempt such programs from regulation. Also, 29 states fully or partially exempt child care programs operated by public schools. These exemptions, Adams said, leave an estimated one in six children in child care centers without state protection.

Even where there is state regulation, Adams contended, it often falls below minimum levels to assure young children's health, safety and full development, Adams said.

For example, Adams found:

-13 states do not require children in licensed or registered family day

care homes to be immunized against measles or other preventable childhood diseases.

-Parents in 29 states do not have the unqualified right to visit their child's family day care home unannounced.

-19 states allow child care centers to operate with five or more infants per adult, and 13 states allow a single provider to care for five or more infants and toddlers. Idaho, for instance, allows a single provider to care for as many as 12 infants. Adams said child development experts recommend one care-giver for up to four infants.

-22 states have no group size limits.

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#90247u1814 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - President Bush has canceled a long-planned appearance at the dedication of Ellis Island because of his just-scheduled meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, and has appointed Vice President Dan Quayle to take his place, officials said Tuesday.

Bush announced over the weekend he will meet with Gorbachev in Helsinki Sunday to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis and other issues. Barbara Bush, who also had been scheduled to take part in the Ellis Island ceremonies, will accompany her husband, officials said.

Ellis Island officials said Sunday's festivities would proceed on schedule.

''Nothing has changed, except the fact that Vice President Quayle will be substituting for the president,'' National Park Service spokesman Manny Strumpf said.

Quayle will dedicate the new National Museum of Immigration and the 27 acres surrounding it in the memory of the millions who passed through Ellis Island in the 62 years it was open as an entry point for immigrants.

In addition to a speech by Quyle and Secretary of the Interior Manuel Lujan Jr., the ceremonies will include music from around the world and the swearing-in of new American citizens.

Also to be dedicated will be the American Immigrant Wall of Honor, inscribed with thousands of names of those who came to this country.

The island, in Upper New York Bay a half-mile from the Statue of Liberty, will be opened to the public Monday.

Sunday's festivities will cap an eight-year campaign to bring the famous facility back from decay and neglect.

The National Park Service property, which had been abandoned for nearly 30 years, has been renovated and its ornate main building restored.

Inside, workers to raced put the finishing touches on the three- story Museum of Immigration that, with film, artifacts, exhibits and taped oral histories, will tell the story of the greatest migration in human history.

The painstaking restoration work cost almost $160 million in private funds raised by the Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation created by automotive executive Lee Iacocca.

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#90247u1824 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - With the Persian Gulf crisis as a focal point, President Bush is looking toward a new unity of purpose in his weekend summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, the White House spokesman said Tuesday.

The third formal meeting of Bush and Gorbachev - a one-day, free- form affair - is scheduled Sunday in Helsinki, Finland, and press secretary Marlin Fitzwater cast the session in somewhat grandiose terms, saying, ''A new foundation for a new world order is being built and the spadework begins in Helsinki.''

''It is somewhat ironic that the prospect for war is forging a new blueprint for world peace,'' he added. ''Both leaders will want to apply some new brush strokes to this emerging blueprint.''

Earlier, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze had described the upcoming summit as a ''landmark meeting.''

''We want to show unity and support by the two superpowers to stop (Iraq's president) Saddam Hussein,'' Fitzwater said. ''We agree with Shevardnadze it will be important and constructive.''

While Bush was expected to return to Washington after his meeting with Gorbachev, Fitzwater told reporters he would not rule out ''other cities'' as possible presidential stops, including Brussels where NATO has its headquarters.

White House advance teams are in Finland working on logistics and national security advisers are discussing substantive details with Soviet counterparts.

But Fitzwater said that Bush ''liked the unstructured-agenda nature of the Malta summit meeting'' last December and ''we will attempt to approximate that again in Helsinki.

Bush plans to leave Washington Friday evening - his inaugural flight on the new jumbo jet Air Force One - and fly overnight to Finland. He is to meet with President Mauno Koivisto Saturday, then spend five hours with Gorbachev on Sunday.

The superpower talks are set for morning and afternoon sessions with a lunch in between.

The coordination of the superpowers' response to Iraq's occupation of Kuwait is the major topic, and Fitzwater noted, ''The Soviets have been very supportive at the United Nations and have let the world know they oppose Saddam Hussein's aggression.''

''This summit should provide an even stronger bond of unified oppositon to aggression,'' he added. ''It also offers an important opportunity for both leaders to assess superpower interest in the post- Cold War period.''

Among other matters on the agenda is an accord to reduce conventional forces in Europe, but Fitzwater stressed the two presidents will not be negotiating details of the agreement.

The leaders' goal, he said, would be to goad the process toward completion in time for a meeting of the 35-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe expected to be held in Paris in November or December.

In addition to discussions ''about the changing pattern of East- West relations,'' the leaders also will review Soviet economic reforms, Fitzwater said.

Referring to an review team sent to the Soviet Union after the Economic Summit in Houston to assess the Kremlin's need for Western help, Fitzwater added, ''The president will be interested in the progress that has been made in that assessment and Gorbachev's views on the reform effort.''

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $2 to $16 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.15 to 1.65 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.20 cent higher to 2.20 cents a pound lower for a 25,000- pound contract.

Cotton - 0.78 cent higher to 0.20 cent a pound lower for a 50,000- pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1 to $1.40 an ounce higher for a 100-troy- ounce contract.

Platinum - $2.10 to $2.60 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 2.35 to 3.35 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 4.10 to 5.40 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.002 to 0.019 cent a pound higher for a 112,000- pound contract.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 4) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.54 1/4-2.56 1/4 off 6 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.08-6.08 1/4 up 7 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.40 3/4 off 2 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.50 3/4-2.54 1/4 off 4-6 1/2.

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#90247u1844 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

VIENNA (SEPT. 4) UPI - Parliament ruled Tuesday that Polish nationals now will need visas to enter Austria in an attempt to curb what was called an influx of thousands of illegal Polish workers, black marketeers and smugglers operating in the country.

The decision takes effect on Thursday.

The government also moved to stem the flow of illegal refugees from Eastern Europe by using the military to patrol its border with Hungary.

Three army battalions will be sent to eastern Austria near the Hungarian border, the Vienna daily newspaper A-Z reported.

''The decision runs contrary to our policy aiming at the free traffic of people across Europe,'' Foreign Minister Krzysztof Skubiszewski said in a statement on Polish radio. ''Our assessment of the decision is decidely negative.''

An Austrian embassy spokeswoman in Warsaw said the decision will produce a long line of Poles waiting for visas at embassy but added, ''We are ready to handle the problem.''

''The Iron Curtain is not getting rusted,'' said the independent youth newspaper Sztandar Mlodych of Warsaw, commenting on Austria's move.

Polish Foreign Ministry spokesman Wladyslaw Klaczynski said reintroducing visas would defy the present European trend toward building a ''common European house.''

Last month, about 3,000 refugees crossed the Hungarian-Austrian border, more than 2,000 of them from Romania, A-Z reported.

The border troops will patrol the frontier but will be allowed to use their weapons only in self-defense, it said.

The leader of the Green Party, Andreas Wabl, described the movement of the army battalions as ''an inhuman act against people looking for help,'' A-Z reported.

Jorg Haider, leader of the extreme right-wing Freedom Party, told Parliament the move was too late and recommended convening a security summit to discuss the protection of the border.

It is expected refugees and illegal immigrants in Austria will become a major issue in advance of next month's parliamentary elections. Up until now permanently neutral Austria has had an open-door policy for political refugees.

Since the revolutions of Eastern Europe, however, genuine political refugees from Eastern Europe have been difficult to identify and public opinion has moved against the large number of immigrants into Austria.

The Kronen Zeitung newspaper described the Polish black marketeers in Vienna, still operating despite heavy fines, as an ''unacceptable characteristic.''

Vienna's mayor, Helmut Zilk, told the A-Z daily a part of the inner city was ''misused by Poles as a marketplace and camping ground.''

He said although the visa law was a difficult decision, ''there are between 4,000 and 6,000 black marketeers in Vienna and I had to recommend that they are forced to get visas.''

The city of Vienna recently launched a billboard campaign aimed at encouraging racial tolerance.

Poles previously could travel to Austria without visas for three years under the former communist regime before the imposition of martial law on Dec. 13, 1981 to crush the independent Solidarity labor union. Free movement between the two countries was re-introduced four years ago.

The former communist government of Czechoslovakia also banned free traffic of Poles to Czechoslovakia despite their former status as ''fraternal neighbors.'' The status has not yet changed although non- communist Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel said he favors open borders.

Mass traffic of Poles to Austria who smuggled in various goods and worked illegally was the main objection against the visa free movement. An estimated 70,000 Poles are believed to work illegally in Austria.

Warsaw officials said Poland, in retaliation, could apply administrative measures against thousands of East Germans who cross the East German-Polish border and buy up cheaper Polish gasoline, food and other products. He added, however, Poland would not do it.

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#90247u1883 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1098.9
Friday	1114.1
Week ago	1135.2
Month ago	1125.0
Year ago	1101.7
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90247u1889 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - Supreme Court nominee David Souter received the American Bar Association's highest rating of ''well qualified,'' the ABA announced Tuesday.

Ralph Lancaster Jr., chairman of the ABA Standing Committee on the Federal

Judiciary, reported his committee's findings Tuesday morning to Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Joseph Biden, D-Del., and to William P. Barr, Deputy Attorney General.

In a brief note, Lancaster said the ''committee has unanimously concluded that Judge David H. Souter is 'well qualified' for appointment to the Supreme Court of the United States.''

Well qualified is the highest of three ABA ratings. The other two are qualified and not qualified.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the ''president is pleased to receive this news and looks forward to a speedy ''ws and looks

Confirmation hearings for the federal appeals court judge and native of New Hampshire are set to begin Sept. 13 before the Senate Judiciary Committee.

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#90247u1900 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	54 5-8	off	3-8
AT&T Company	31 7-8	off	1-2
BCE Corp	32 1-8	unch	
Bell Atlantic	42 1-4	off	1-2
BellSouth	50 1-4	off	3-4
Exxon Corp	50	unch	
Ford Motor	34 1-2	off	3-8
Genl Electric	61 1-8	off	7-8
Genl Motor	38 3-4	off 1	
GTE Corp	25 5-8	off	1-8
IBM Corp	102 1-2	up	5-8
Mobil Corp	64 1-4	up	3-8
Nynex Corp	70 1-4	up	1-4
Pac Gas & El	20 7-8	unch	
Pac Telesis	39 1-2	up	3-8
Phila Elec	15 1-8	unch	
Sears Roebuck	29 1-4	unch	
Southern Co	23 3-8	off	1-8
Swstrn Bell	49	unch	
U S West Co	33 7-8	off	3-4

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#90247u1912 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - Cocaine and marijuana use among American teenagers has declined sharply in the past year, reflecting a growing trend of antagonism toward drugs and drug users, said a study released Tuesday.

The study, released by the Partnership for a Drug-Free America, found that both teenagers and adults are turning away from cocaine and marijuana as part of ''a profound cultural shift occurring as Americans decide that using illegal drugs is no longer acceptable behavior in any regard,'' said James Burke, partnership chairman.

Among the findings of the study were:

-5.9 percent of teenagers (ages 13-17) reported having used cocaine at least once in the past year, a 44 percent decrease over a year ago, with 5.5 percent of adults reporting similar usage, a 35 percent annual drop;

-21.3 percent of teenagers reported having used marijuana in the past year a 27 percent decline over a year ago, with 13.8 percent of adults reporting similar usage, a 6 percent annual drop;

-71 percent of teenagers reported believing there is a moderate or great risk in using cocaine, a 15 percent increase over last year, and 72 percent of teenagers reported a similar belief about marijuana, a 12 percent annual increase;

-Both teenagers and adults reported having fewer friends who use drugs and 52 percent of teenagers agreed with the statement that ''people on drugs act stupidly and foolishly,'' an increase of 18 percent over last year.

William Bennett, President Bush's drug policy chief, called the study's findings ''largely encouraging.'' On Wednesday, Bennett is slated to deliver a detailed update on the federal drug war one year after the announcement of the president's drug control strategy.

The study's findings come amid escalating homocide rates in some urban centers attributed to an increasingly violent drug trade and a projection by the Senate Judiciary Committee that the nation will suffer a record murder toll in 1990 in part due to drug violence.

The study's results, derived from responses from more than 8,000 Americans in March and April, did not include alcohol or drugs other than cocaine and marijuana.

The study stated that the decline in drug use crosses racial barriers, with similar trends among white, black and Hispanic populations.

The Partnership for a Drug-Free America, a non-profit group that creates

anti-drug advertising, has released studies annually since 1987. The new study reveals the largest single-year drops in teenage usage of cocaine and marijuana. Use of both drugs has fallen the past two years among both teenagers and adults. Among teenagers, reported marijuana use stood at 31.3 percent in the 1988 survey and reported cocaine use stood at 11.5 percent that year.

The study also found that increasing numbers of parents and teachers are discussing the drug problem with children aged 9-12.

''The number of users of illegal drugs is dropping - and dropping probably more rapidly than most people believed possible several years ago,'' said Gordon Black, who heads the Rochester, N.Y., firm that conducted the study.

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#90247u1920 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 78 points higher to 20 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	73.60	74.25	72.90	73.63	73.83
Dec	72.10	72.99	71.45	72.84	72.19
Mar	73.25	74.25	72.75	73.95	73.30
May	73.75	74.80	73.20	74.70	74.00
Jly	74.25	74.90	74.25	74.70	74.00
Oct	70.70	70.75	70.70	70.63	69.85
Dec	68.50	68.70	68.20	68.45	68.40

Estimated sales: 3,000 contracts
Open interest: 33,926 up 526
The World spot average: 74.20

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#90247u1926 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

COCOA BEACH, FL (SEPT. 4) UPI - The lawyer for a University of Florida student suspected in the killings of five college students in Gainesville said Tuesday that investigators had skirted the law and perhaps broke it to question the man.

James Russo, a public defender appointed to represent Edward Lewis Humphrey, 18, said state investigators talked their way early Sunday past employees of Brevard County Jail, where Humphrey was being held on charges unrelated to the serial killings.

They apparently questioned Humphrey for two hours despite the suspect's

petition to halt questioning outside the presence of an attorney, Russo said.

''It has certainly been very, very unusual, maybe improper, maybe illegal '' Russo said.

The investigators apparently had obtained a court order to authorize the questioning, Russo said, but did it secretly late Saturday or Sunday, then refused to show the order to jailers.

''I don't know what they asked the judge to do. I wasn't there to argue against it,'' he said.

Authorities have identified Humphrey, a University of Florida freshman, as a suspect in the spree of killings that has shocked the quiet university town of Gainesville and sent students scrambling for ways to protect themselves.

The bodies of five victims, all college students who lived within 2 miles of each other and within 2 miles of the University of Florida campus, were discovered within a 48-hour period early last week.

Authorities said it appeared the killer or killers forced their way into the victims' apartments and sought out slender young women with brown hair.

All the victims fit that discription except one, a young man who was a roommate of one of the women.

The victims were Christina Powell, 17, of Jacksonville, Sonya Larson, 18, of Deerfield Beach, Christina Hoyt, 18, of Gainesville, Tracy Paules, 23, of Palm Springs North and Manuel Taboada, 23, of Carol City.

Larson and Powell were found stabbed to death in their apartment Aug. 26. Hoyt was found shortly afterward. All three had been stabbed and their bodies mutilated. The others also were stabbed to death.

Russo said he was not sure what type of information Humphrey may have given investigators.

He refused to give any details about Humphrey's mental state or behavior, but last week Brevard County Sheriff Jake Miller said Humphrey had been segregated from other inmates and had exhibited ''psychotic'' behavior.

''I saw Mr. Humphrey yesterday at the jail, yesterday afternoon. I'm not at liberty to discuss with you what he said, nor is it my inclination to discuss his state of mind or behavior,'' Russo said.

Humphrey was being held Tuesday on $1 million bond at the Brevard County

Detention Center in Sharpes. He was charged Thursday in Brevard County, southeast of Gainesville, with aggravated battery in the alleged beating of his grandmother, with whom he had lived.

A bond reduction hearing was postponed until Thursday morning in Brevard County Circuit Court in Melbourne.

Russo called the $1 million bond ''exorbitant'' and said that, at Thursday's hearing, he would ask that the state be forced to attempt to justify it.

''I think at that point in time they need to stand up and say why he's a danger to the community,'' Russo said.

He said that, in a normal aggravated battery case, Humphrey's bond would probably be set at $2,500 or $5,000.

''I've never been directly told that he's a prime suspect. I've never been told that he wasn't,'' Russo said.

Authorities in Gainesville barricaded the enterance to Humphrey's apartment last week, and searched garbage for evidence, but had not obtained a search warrant to enter the apartment.

''It would seem to me you need some amount of probable cause to get a search warrant, and the fact that they haven't obtained a search warrant indicates they don't have probable cause,'' Russo said.

Shortly after Humphrey was arrested Thursday, the aggravated battery charge was dropped, then a few hours later it was refiled, Russo said.

''What was obvious to me was what law enforcement wanted to do was detain him and question him without having to give him access to an attorney,'' Russo said.

Russo said he believed Humphrey would be acquitted or the aggravated battery charge would be dropped.

Meanwhile, University of Florida officials in Gainesville estimated that about 80 percent of the university's student body returned to classes Tuesday despite police warnings that the killer may still be on the loose.

''We have no way of getting an accurate measurement for how many of our students are back,'' said Larry Humes, spokesman for the university.

''We've done some spot checking in class to get some feel for attendance '' he said. ''What we're getting is a majority of our students are back. I've heard 80 percent or plus.''

Humes said it appeared more students were back on campus this week than last week.

''That's my personal feeling,'' he said. ''I think as time goes on and once this situation is resolved, more students will return because this could and has happened at other campuses.''

''Ironically, the amount of crime on the UF campus is down 15 percent from last year,'' he said. ''But this is a random situation.''

Housing director Jim Grimm said an unusually high number of students are seeking to enter on-campus housing.

''We've had probably a total of 11 people come in over the last two days wanting to enter (the dormitories),'' Grimm said. ''We also have 13 reservations. ... Normally, what we're doing at about this time is releasing people to join sororities or to live off campus,'' he said. ''A lot of the students are saying they feel more secure in on-campus housing.''

He said that, while accommodations for men are full, 33 beds in the women dormitories were available. He said ''about 10 or 12'' female students have checked out.

Emerson Poe, manager of Cooperative Security Services in Gainesville, said his pool of 40 guards have been booked up since the killings.

''With the starting of the school year, we usually get a large number of requests,'' he said. ''With the situation here, we've had an unusually high number of requests for personal bodyguards and such.''

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#90247u1934 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2613.37	off	0.99
20 Trans	896.08	off	5.36
15 Utils	196.05	up	0.12
65 Stocks	902.28	off	1.51

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#90247u1935 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Tuesday it will offer $18.4 billion in 13-week and 26-week T-bills at next Monday's weekly auction to raise about $1.6 billion in new cash.

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#90247u1937 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 4) UPI - Federal prosecutors filed suit Tuesday charging United Technologies Corp. with repeatedly violating hazardous waste laws at six of its Connecticut plants.

The suit seeks fines in the millions of dollars for improper handling of waste, storing wastes without permits, inadequate training of personnel and other violations, officials said.

The Environmental Protection Agency found more than 100 violations during inspections at five Pratt & Whitney plants and at Hamilton Standard in Windsor Locks, officials said.

U.S. Attorney Stanley A. Twardy Jr., who filed the suit in Hartford federal court, said the importance of the case was the number of violations and not necessarily the severity of individual violations.

''We want to make sure repeated violations by a company of this stature do not go unprosecuted, if you will,'' Twardy said. ''It makes no difference how big or strong you are, we're going to come after you.''

United Technologies issued a statement saying it considered environmental protection a major priority and was ''distressed at the filing of the suit.''

''UTC has committed significant resources - more than $220 million over the past five years - for example, on environmental programs,'' the statement said.

''We will continue to provide the resources, both human and financial, and will work with the Environmental Protection Agency to do whatever is required to protect the environment,'' the company said.

United Technologies is the state's largest private employer. Its products include Pratt & Whitney jet engines, Sikorsky helicopters, Hamilton Standard space systems, Otis elevators and Carrier air conditioners.

Julie D. Belaga, the New England regional EPA administrator, said the suit sought fines that could reach ''into the millions'' of dollars.

''We are going to make sure this company handles its waste in an intelligent way,'' Belaga said. ''At this point we don't see a health threat, but the violations are cumulative and we don't want to see a health threat develop.''

UTC was cited for violations at Pratt plants in East Hartford, North Haven

Middletown and two locations in Southington and for the Hamilton Standard plant in Windsor Locks.

The wastes at the Pratt facilities included acids, solvents and other wastes generated by machining and plating processes used in the manufacture of jet engines, officials said.

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#90247u1940 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Tuesday	2613.37	off	0.99	896.06	off	5.36	196.05	up	0.12
Friday	2614.36	up	21.04	901.44	up	0.18	195.93	up	2.21
Week ago	2614.85	up	3.22	899.82	off	8.21	193.60	off	0.82
Month ago	2710.64	off	5.70	964.78	off	15.51	204.41	off	0.51
Year ago	2744.68	off	7.41	1532.01	up	5.69	217.24	off	1.38
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90247u1947 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 4) UPI - Scientists reported Tuesday they have found evidence that the debilitating chronic fatigue syndrome, commonly called the ''yuppie flue,'' may be linked to a virus.

Elaine DeFreitas, an associate professor at the Wistar Institute, and two colleagues found evidence in the blood of syndrome patients of a type of virus known as a retrovirus.

Retroviruses are viruses that use an unusual genetic mechanism to reproduce. The virus that causes AIDS is a retrovirus while another retrovirus has been linked to a rare form of leukemia.

The researchers said they had not yet identified the virus or shown it actually causes the disease.

''At the very least, we will sequence the gene of the virus that we have found and determine its relationship to other retroviruses and its biologic behavior,'' DeFreitas said. ''Only then will we be able to define the role of this agent in (chronic fatique syndrome).''

The researchers found evidence of a retrovirus in the blood cells of 82 percent of 11 adults with chronic fatique syndrome and 74 percent of 19

children.

In addition, many close relatives and friends of patients also had evidence of a virus in their blood, although they had no symptoms. That suggests that the disease could be passed from person to person, DeFreitas said.

DeFreitas cautioned the virus is similar but not identical to the virus that causes AIDS, which is only passed through sexual conduct or the exchange of body fluids.

''The data do not conclusively show that any retroviral agent is casually (non-sexually) transmitted in chronic fatigue syndrome,'' she said.

The researchers hope to isolate the virus as a first step in finding a way to prevent or treat the syndrome, DeFreitas said.

The research was presented Tuesday at the 11th International Congress of Neuropathology in Kyoto, Japan, by DeFreitas and Drs. Paul Cheney of Charlotte, N.C., and David Bell of Lyndonville, N.Y.

Chronic fatique syndrome is characterized by debilitating fatique, often accompanied by flu-like symptoms, that substantially reduce a person's ability to functions normally and may persist for years.

Scientists thought the syndrome may be caused by a virus known as the Epstein-Barr virus, which causes mononucleosis. But subsequent research largely ruled out any association between that virus and the syndrome.

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#90247u1957 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
LITTLE ROCK, AR (SEPT. 4) UPI - A federal panel Tueseday took under advisement a stay of execution request for a man convicted as an accomplice in the rape and shooting death of a 22-year-old nurse.

A three-judge panel of the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals held a telephone conference to hear defense attorney arguments on why a stay of execution should be given to Barry Lee Fairchild, 36, of North Little Rock.

Fairchild is scheduled to be executed by lethal injection at 9 p.m. (CDT) Wednesday at Cummins state prison. If the execution goes as scheduled, it will be the state's third in less than three months.

Arkansas went 26 years without an execution before it sent John Edward Swindler to the electric chair June 18. A week later mass murderer Ronald Gene Simmons was executed by lethal injection. Swindler was given a choice between the two methods because he was sentenced to death before the state

implemented a new law mandating lethal injections.

Fairchild's attorneys based their plea on a contention that his confession as an accomplice in the 1983 death of 2nd Lt. Marjorie ''Greta'' Mason, a nurse at Little Rock Air Force Base, came during a police beating. Law enforcement officers have denied beating Fairchild and a federal judge in Little Rock who heard the issue last week refused to issue a stay of execution.

Fairchild was sentenced under an Arkansas law that provides the death penalty for accomplices in most capital cases. He made a taped confession in which he said he helped kidnap Mason and that he raped her, but an accomplice actually shot her. Authorities have never arrested a triggerman.

Mason, a former Panama City, Fla., homecoming queen and cheerleader, was kidnapped, robbed, raped and shot twice in the back of the head. Her body was left outside an abandoned farmhouse east of Little Rock.

Fairchild was moved during the weekend to a cell next to the death chamber.

Though he went halfway through the ninth grade, Fairchild never learned to read or write. A year ago, he made a video for school children about the importance of education and how his life might have ended up differently if he had been educated. A psychologist once estimated his IQ at 56-64 but later said the score probably was 10 points higher.

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#90247u1959 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks	-	92,940,000 shares
1990 to date	-	27,143,479,712
Warrants	-	446,600
1990 to date	-	172,094,300

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#90247u1968 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 4) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Tuesday	-	5,653,000
1990 to date	-	1,735,132,000

The market closed higher.

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#90247u1972 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the

National Market System Tuesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	44,525,364	33 1/2	up 1/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	40,222,604	62 1/4	up 3/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	37,670,204	34	unch
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	36,665,436	68 5/8	up 3 1/8
Adobe Systms	(ADBE)	30,245,888	28 1/8	up 3 1/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	26,455,900	37	unch
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	24,440,772	45 5/8	up 3/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	22,562,536	49 3/8	up 1 1/4
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	17,075,922	29	up 1/4
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	15,347,007	21 5/8	up 1

Composite Index 167.27 up 0.24

NMS volume 57,751,200 shares.

Advances	673
Declines	777
Unchanged	1,374
Total	2,824

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#90247u1987 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - C O R R E C T I O N:

In 4th item please read 1st sentence xxx killings suggests authorities skirted the law to question the man police describe as etc. .

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A U-S warship seized an Iraqi vessel today... preventing it from delivering a load of tea. That move came as Iraq announced several nations with citizens stranded in Iraq and occupied Kuwait are offering to send food to the region in defiance of a U-N trade embargo.

President Bush is looking toward a new unity of purpose when he meets Soviet leader Gorbachev on Sunday to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. A White House spokesman says it's ironic the prospect for war is forging a new blueprint for world peace. .

Bush canceled plans to attend the dedication of New York's Ellis Island museum because of the Helsinki talks with Gorbachev. Vice President Quayle take his place at Ellis Island, which for 62 years was open as an entry point for immigrants.

A lawyer for a suspect in the Gainesville, Florida, serial killings suggests authorities skirted the law to question the man police describe as mentally ill. The University of Florida freshman is among those

questioned in the killings of five students found dead last week near campus.

The president's choice for the U-S Supreme Court received high marks today from the American Bar Association. The lawyer's organization issued its highest rating of ''well qualified'' to nominee David Souter .

Former Senator Lawton Chiles is heavily favored to win the Florida Democratic gubernatorial nomination and take on Republican incumbent Governor Bob Martinez in November balloting. Nevada is also holding primary elections today.

About 500 South Korean students hurled firebombs at riot police today in a violent hour-long protest against a meeting aimed at improving relations with communist North Korea. There was NO word on any casulties.

A Children's Defense Fund report on child care operations released today accuses state governments of jeopardizing the health and safety of Millions of American children. The report says the governments don't properly regulate the operations.

Vice President Quayle says the Georgia gubernatorial race presents the best chance this year for Republicans to capture a new governor's seat. Quayle attended a one-thousand-dollar-a-plate fundraising breakfast in Savannah, Georgia, this morning for G-O-P candidate Johnny Isakson.

A British company today began marketing a device that could help eliminate one of the pains of drivings... getting caught in a traffic jam. The electronic Trafficmaster warns of traffic jams up ahead, giving the driver a chance to choose an alternate route.

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#90247u1989 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 4) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 177.13 up 0.16
ASE Market Value Index 322.74 off 0.65
Dow-Jones Industrial 2613.37 off 0.99

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#90247u1993 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Tuesday - $20,060,000
1990 to date - $7,662,823,000

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#90247u2009 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 323.51, low 321.58, close 322.74, off 0.65.

There was a loss of 2 cents in the average share price.

Volume 8,790,000 shares, compared with 8,254,750 Friday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	2
New Lows	43
Advances	198
Declines	298
Unchanged	250
Total Issues	746

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#90247u2014 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - World stock markets were depressed Tuesday on renewed concerns about the situation in the Middle East and further pessimism about the U.S. economy.

Trading was thin from Tokyo to Wall Street with investors, including institutions, cautiously remaining on the sidelines while waiting for new developments in the Persian Gulf crisis. Analysts said world stock markets will not see any substantial action until the conflict is resolved.

Wall Street witnessed its lightest trading activity of the year following the three-day Labor Day weekend, with investors giving no indication they intended to return to the market.

Pressured by higher oil prices and a weak economic report, share prices closed lower on the New York Stock Exchange. The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 21.04 Friday, lost 0.99 to 2613.36, with only about 93 million shares changing hands in the slowest trading of the year.

The Tokyo Stock Exchange earlier had witnessed a far sharper decline, with the key Nikkei average losing 2 percent of its value in modest trading.

The decline in Tokyo set the tone for London, Frankfurt and New York where share prices retreated from the opening bell.

The Nikkei average of 225 selected shares dropped 512.79 points to end the day at 24,907.64. The loss added to a slide of 557.94 points Monday.

The Nikkei has already lost 1,070.73 points this week - a 4 percent loss

compared with the close Friday.

As declines pounded advances 8 to 1, the broader Tokyo Stock Price Index plummeted 35.54 points to close at 1,910.38. TOPIX, which measures all major shares, had fallen 28.05 points Monday - an overall 3.3 percent drop.

Concern about the Middle East continued to plague the Tokyo market, said analyst Masashi Kubota of Kokusai Securities, pointing to ''a tenseness in the market.''

Kubota added that investors had given up hopes of a quick diplomatic breakthrough in the Middle East.

The Tokyo market was also hurt by another rise in bond yields, with the benchmark Japanese government bond inching up 0.015 to 8.130 percent.

Share prices drifted lower on the London International stock exchange amid continued worries over the situation in the Middle East and concerns about Britain's economy.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index closed down 18.6 points to 2148.0. The narrower top 30 industrial average fell 16.5 points to 1670.9, in very thin trading with only 286.2 million shares changing hands.

Volatility dominated the London market, dealers said, with fears of a war breaking out in the Gulf further depressing trading volume.

Wall Street's lower opening followed the three-day Labor Day weekend. A string of profit warnings and concerns about interest rates and inflation in Britain all contributed to the index drop which began early in the session.

Frankfurt had worries of its own, with many investors expressing doubts about the future of the German economy in view of the reunification, scheduled for Oct. 3.

Stock prices closed sharply lower as the closely watched German Stock Index, or Dax, lost 39.15 points, or 2.4 percent, to end the day at 1,590.07 points in moderate trading.

Traders said renewed concerns about the German reunification and the lack of major developments in the Middle East drove the Dax below the 1,600 level in the last hour of trading. Higher oil prices and declining exports resulting from the strong German mark contributed to the dull mood, they said.

Elsewhere in Europe, the Paris' Bourse closed lower on fears of higher oil prices, with the key Agefi index shedding 1.5 percent of its value to

close at 371.36 in thin trading.

Major investors also stayed away from the Zurich and Milan markets, both of which retreated significantly on added domestic concerns.

As usual, Hong Kong, Singapore and Sydney took their indications from Tokyo and declined in sympathy.

In Hong Kong, the Hang Seng Index dropped 12.65 points to close at 3041.16 following a drop of 20.69 points Monday. On the Singapore Stock Exchange, the key Straits Times Industrial Index dropped 12.79 to 1252.81, with investors staying on the sidelines. In Sydney, share prices retreated in a trendless session, with the All Ordinaries index closing down 10.8 to 1493.5.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.33	up 0.22
10 Public Utils	90.03	up 0.28
10 Industrials	88.64	up 0.16

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2590.84	2618.07	2573.02	2613.37	off 0.99
20 Trans	893.12	900.15	884.99	896.08	off 5.36
15 Utils	194.98	196.37	194.10	196.05	up 0.12
65 Stock	896.24	904.52	889.91	902.28	off 1.51

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Tuesday	Friday
Indus	14,626,800	12,062,500
Trans	2,432,200	1,758,200
Utils	1,750,200	2,621,600
65 Stock	18,809,200	16,442,300

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Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 132.19 up 0.06.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	382.03	231.64	128.44	24.00	322.56
Opening	378.70	229.63	127.37	23.75	319.73
11 a.m.	379.54	229.00	127.44	23.82	320.36
Noon	378.84	228.83	127.25	23.76	319.78
1 p.m.	378.87	228.63	127.30	23.76	319.81
2 p.m.	379.47	228.97	127.51	23.77	320.29
3 p.m.	380.31	229.63	127.87	23.83	321.04
Close	382.85	230.60	128.52	23.98	323.09
Change	up 0.82	off 1.04	up 0.08	off 0.02	up 0.53

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Tuesday	382.85	230.60	128.52	23.98	323.09
Friday	382.03	231.64	128.44	24.00	322.56
Week ago	381.58	229.60	126.19	23.79	321.34
Month ago	395.10	245.61	134.47	25.43	334.83
Year ago	404.10	329.74	141.25	33.32	352.56
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	362.23	220.36	124.60	22.87	307.06

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Tue	Fri	Tue	Fri
Argntn austral	.000169	.000162	5929.00	6188.70

Australia dlr	.8159	.8140	1.2256	1.2285
Austria schill	.0900	.0907	11.11	11.03
Belgium franc-c	.0307	.0310	32.53	32.30
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	33.95	33.95
Brazil cruzado	.0147	.0142	68.25	70.20
Britain pound	1.8805	1.8935	.5318	.5281
Britain 1-mo	1.8669	1.8827	.5356	.5312
Britain 3-mo	1.8497	1.8623	.5406	.5370
Britain 6-mo	1.8223	1.8342	.5488	.5452
Canada dollar	.8658	.8639	1.1550	1.1575
Canada 1-mo	.8625	.8606	1.1594	1.1620
Canada 3-mo	.8560	.8543	1.1682	1.1705
Canada 6-mo	.8486	.8469	1.1784	1.1808
Chile peso-f	.003396	.003371	294.46	296.67
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001939	.001943	515.62	514.55
Denmark krne	.1656	.1665	6.0390	6.0065
Ecudr sucre-z	.001117	.001112	894.96	892.98
Egypt pound	.3728	.3742	2.6825	2.6727
Finlnd mrkka	.2696	.2703	3.7090	3.7000
France franc	.1891	.1892	5.2880	5.2860
France 1-mo	.1888	.1889	5.2978	5.2939
France 3-mo	.1880	.1882	5.3185	5.3134
France 6-mo	.1869	.1872	5.3515	5.3433
Greece drach	.006436	.006496	155.37	153.95
Hollnd guildr	.5622	.5632	1.7786	1.7756
HongKong dlr	.1288	.1288	7.7645	7.7610
India rupee	.0569	.0572	17.57	17.47
Indo'sa rupia	.000541	.000542	1847.00	1846.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.6690	1.7015	0.5992	0.5872
Israel shekel	.4980	.4995	2.0080	2.0020
Italy lira	.000849	.000855	1177.25	1169.50
Japan yen	.006971	.006947	143.45	143.95
Japan 1-mo	.006981	.006995	143.25	142.95
Japan 3-mo	.006995	.007095	142.95	140.95
Japan 6-mo	.007092	.007145	141.00	139.95
Jordan dinar	1.5328	1.5399	.6524	.6494
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000348	2880.00	2877.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6193	.6147	1.6147	1.6268
Norway krne	.1637	.1641	6.1070	6.0930
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.52	21.52
Peru inti	.000003	.000003	379,225	359,525
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escud	.007191	.007285	139.06	137.27

Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5670	.5671	1.7637	1.7635
S.Africa rand	.3902	.3922	2.5630	2.5500
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010111	.010196	98.90	98.08
Sweden krona	.1724	.1729	5.8010	5.7840
Switzrl franc	.7576	.7631	1.3200	1.3105
Switzrl 1-mo	.7575	.7628	1.3202	1.3109
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7567	.7621	1.3215	1.3122
Switzrl 6-mo	.7552	.7607	1.3242	1.3146
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.90	26.89
Turkey lira	.000374	.000376	2677.00	2663.00
UAE dirham	.2731	.2730	3.6618	3.6628
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0209	.0209	47.95	47.77
W.Ger Mark	.6337	.6339	1.5780	1.5775
W.Ger 1-mo	.6335	.6338	1.5785	1.5779
W.Ger 3-mo	.6329	.6332	1.5801	1.5792
W.Ger 6-mo	.6313	.6318	1.5841	1.5829
Yugosl dinar	.0923	.0933	10.83	10.72

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	382.85	377.96	382.85	up 0.82
20 Trans	231.64	228.63	230.60	off 1.04
40 Utils	128.52	127.08	128.52	up 0.08
40 Fncl	24.00	23.72	23.98	off 0.02
500 Stocks	323.09	319.11	323.09	up 0.53

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#90247u2046 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Pinnacle West	1,986,500	12 3/8	off	3 3/4
Genl Electric	1,526,500	61 1/4	off	3/4

IBM Corp	1,200,500	102 1/2	up	5/8
Philip Morris	1,195,800	45 1/8	unch	
Eastmn Kodak	1,104,000	40 3/4	up	1/2
Exxon Corp	1,102,500	50 1/8	up	1/8
Boeing Co	1,089,800	48 5/8	up	3/8
Contintl Info	1,086,100	24 1/4	unch	
Amer Express	1,070,800	24	off	1/8
AT&T Co	1,031,200	32	off	3/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	784,200	29 5/8	off	1/4
Wal-Mart Stores	747,700	28 3/4	up	1/4
Global Marine	735,500	6 1/8	up	1/8
Waste Managemnt	714,300	38 1/8	up	1/8
Chevron Corp	683,300	75 7/8	unch	

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - The United States has put Iraq back on its list of nations that support international terrorism, Secretary of State James Baker said Tuesday.

The addition to the list has purely symbolic importance, since the only impact would be to prevent the sale of military items to the Baghdad government. Such sales are already banned by an executive order issued by President Bush and the mandatory sanctions imposed by the United Nations Security Council since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Baker was asked, during a hearing of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, when the administration would put Iraq on the list.

Baker responded flatly, ''They're back on it.'' The reason, he said, was ''actions against the interests of the United States, Britain and France.''

He did not mention any specific actions but there have been reports that some Palestinian groups associated with terrorist actions, including those headed by Abu Nidal and George Habash, of the Palestinian Popular Liberation Front, have moved their headquarters to Baghdad, where they operate under the protection of the Iraqi government.

In addition, the administration now defines the foreigners being held against their will in Iraq as hostages, thus making Iraq a hostage- taker.

Baker described such behavior as ''inhumane and indecent'' and said that the international community will not tolerate it.

He said the possibility remains open to seeking prosecution of Iraqi government officials for their action after the crisis is over.

Iraq was removed the terrorist state list early in the 1980s, during its long war with Iran.

Other countries currently on the State Department list are Cuba, Libya, North Korea, Iran and Syria.

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MAYNARD, MA (SEPT. 4) UPI - Digital Equipment Corp. Tuesday said a long-expected voluntary severance program will slash up to 6,000 employees from its worldwide work force.

The job loss is bound to be substantial in Massachusetts and New Hampshire where the giant computer maker has more than half its U.S. workers. Digital is the largest employer in both states.

More than half the cuts will be in the United States and most of that should be completed by January, said company spokesman Jeffry Gibson.

The cuts, combined with attrition and restricted hiring, would bring the company's worldwide employment total to between 118,000 and 119,000 from the current 124,000, Gibson said.

Though still generous, the terms of the deal are substantially less than one that eliminated about 1,800 employees last fiscal year.

This time, a worker with 20 years or more with the company will receive 77 weeks pay compared with 104 weeks under the earlier program. Those with less than two years at Digital will get 13 weeks pay instead of the 40 weeks the first group got.

Meanwhile, health, dental and life insurance will be continued for a year just as in the first offer, the company said.

Digital, the nation's No. 2 computer maker, outlined the new terms to employees over its internal communications system Tuesday afternoon, said Gibson. The first employees to be offered the package will be notified this month and will have four weeks to decide, Gibson said.

He said the company had not decided specifics about what locations or company activities would be affected. No plant closings or layoffs are planned, he said.

He declined to estimate the cost of the severance program to Digital.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Hillhaven Corp	597,500	1 1/2	unch	
Salomon wtJn	523,400	16 1/4	up	5/8
Presidio A	355,300	6 5/8	off	1/8
Paine Webber wtB	337,300	7 3/4	up	5/8
Denmark K wt	335,100	17 1/4	up	7/8
Salomon wtFb	280,700	17 3/8	up	3/4
Dow Chemical	272,000	7	up	1/2
ENSCO	251,000	3 7/8	off	1/8
Corona Corp A	195,000	5 1/2	off	1/4
Salomon Phibro	157,000	4	off	1/8

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LIMA, PERU (SEPT. 4) UPI - The Peruvian national currency slipped to an exchange rate of 430,000 intis to one U.S. dollar Tuesday, fulfilling a warning by a high-ranking official the goverment would dilute the currency on the exchange market for export purposes. A dollar sold for 370,000 intis Monday but on Tuesday morning traded for as much as 430,000 intis.

Financial analysts said the Central Reserve Bank forced the dollar up with a "dirty float," buying large quantities of dollars and flooding the currency exchange market with intis.

Industry and Commerce Minister Guido Pennano said Sunday the government would intervene in the market to further lower the value of the inti to 450,000 for $1.

Pennano said the lower inti would help exporters and would be more in line with official prices set for commodities like gasoline. The official gas price was set by the government in August based on a dollar exchange of 450,000 intis.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Tuesday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6425	up 25
Hitachi Ltd	90 1/8	off 4 7/8
Pinnacle West	12 3/8	off 3 3/4

Kyocera Corp	103 1/2	off	3 1/2
Progressive Cp	52 7/8	up	3 3/8
PaPL pf	91	up	3 1/4
Atl Rich pfC	324 3/4	up	2 7/8
Captl Cities	478 1/2	up	2 1/2
VaE pfJ	84	up	2 3/8
Matsushita E	125 3/8	off	2 1/8
TDK Corp	41 1/2	off	2

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - At least 10 cities hoping to land one of two National League expansion teams were expected to apply with the league office before Tuesday's deadline.

The NL office would not say which cities applied or how many applications were received until the expansion committee screens the applications. However, several groups have made their intentions known.

Buffalo, N.Y.; Denver; Miami, Tampa/St. Petersburg and Orlando, Fla.; Washington, D.C.; Phoenix; Sacramento, Calif.; Nashville, Tenn.; and Vancouver, British Columbia, are among cities that have expressed interest.

Investers must come up with a $95 million franchise fee to land a club. The NL will expand by two teams for the 1993 season, and the new franchises probably will be announced next spring. The cities are expected to make their formal presentations to the committee later this month, and the list will be pared by the end of the year.

Buffalo, Denver, Nashville and Vancouver have Triple A clubs, and the three Florida cities are spring training bases. Washington was the home of the American League's Senators until 1972.

The Buffalo ownership group let its mascot, Buster T. Bison, hand deliver the $100,000 application fee to the NL office Tuesday morning before the noon EDT deadline. The Buffalo group, headed by Bob and Mindy Rich, includes talk show host Larry King.

Like many of the candidate cities, Buffalo is the home of a successful minor-league team.

''We're tremendously excited to move another step closer to realizing our dream of major-league baseball in upstate New York,'' Bob Rich said.

''In many respects, this process is similar to completing the regular season and making the playoffs. The first objective is to give a successful presentation and win the pennant by making the short list of

expansion candidates.

''The ultimate goal, the only goal, is to work hard and to realize our dreams by winning the World Series and becoming the next National League expansion franchise.''

Orlando Pro Baseball Inc. Tuesday announced Richard Devos replaced William Dupont 3rd as managing partner. Devos, 64, was a co-founder of the Amway Corp. in 1959.

A longshot application was filed by America's Baseball Team, Inc., a Boyn4on Ceach, Fla., group led by Malcolm Glazer. American's Baseball Team would play its home games in Buffalo, Denver, Miami, Tampa/St. Petersburg, Washington and a handful of smaller cities that would change each year.

''America's Baseball Team is not only good for baseball, it's good for America,'' Glazer said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Tuesday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	26.80-26.85	24.50-24.60
North Sea Brent	30.78-30.83	28.20-28.25
West Texas Intermed	29.10-29.15	27.30-27.35
Light Louisiana Sweet	30.25-30.35	28.35-28.45
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	104.00-104.50	96.60-96.85
No. 2 Heating oil	81.30-81.50	74.55-74.80
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	96.25-96.75	88.20-88.45
No. 2 Heating oil	79.30-79.50	73.50-73.70

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - While seeking donations abroad to defray the costs of the Persian Gulf crisis, President Bush compounded fiscal problems at home Tuesday with a bid to reward Egypt for supporting the

U.S.-led stand against Iraq.

The White House announced that Bush would ask Congress to erase an estimated $7.1 billion in U.S. military loans to Egypt in appreciation of support for efforts to drive Iraq out of occupied Kuwait.

The move, telegraphed last week, would free Egypt of a $750 million payment due this year. It raised new questions and stirred fresh concern about the ultimate price of the campaign to isolate and intimidate Iraq.

On Capitol Hill, Secretary of State James Baker said the crisis could cost the United States $6 billion during 1990, but said that sum ''doesn't seem to be too much to exert a rather noble leadership role in this instance.''

Baker assured the House Foreign Affairs Committee the United States would ''have a lot of help'' in the Gulf and promised efforts ''to ensure that the cost and responsibilities are shared equitably.''

For the record, the debt forgiveness was intended to ease the financial burden Egypt faces from its commitment of troops to Saudi Arabia and enforcement of U.N.-ordered economic sanctions against Iraq.

There was a political message as well in the White House announcement, which lauded Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak for helping unite much of the Arab world against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater praised ''the unique strategic contribution by Egypt to peace and security in the Middle East, a role that Egypt has played with courage, determination and consistency.''

The proposed debt forgiveness was only the latest example of the costs the United States has agreed to shoulder, including an estimated $46 million a day for military operations, in its confrontation with Iraq.

It came as Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady, soon to be assisted by Baker began soliciting contributions from wealthy U.S. friends and allies to support military deployments in the Gulf region and aid poorer countries like Egypt, Jordan and Turkey that suffer from lost trade or tourism or the return of expatriate workers or refugees from Kuwait and Iraq.

Estimates of what that multinational commitment may require run as high as $25 billion.

Fitzwater called the canceled Egyptian debt payments ''a small price to pay for the cooperation and leadership we've gotten from Egypt.'' The loan forgiveness, he said, was ''a special situation'' and not a precedent.

But House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois warned that ''it

might be a little bit premature'' to approve the request ''without consideration for other areas where we've got to be doing things foreign aid-wise.''

''I think before I commit myself to supporting this or that forgiveness, I'd like to have a full accounting of just what is our status with all the other countries around the globe,'' Michel said.

His concern did not seem totally unfounded. There were signs the gesture to Mubarak could prompt demands for similar concessions to Israel. At minimum, it complicated the already bleak deficit picture.

Fitzwater noted that Egypt, like Israel, receives substantial American aid apart from military loans and predicted that assistance would ''continue to grow.'' Egypt owes $6 billion to the United States for other loans.

With the administration and Congress set to resume negotiations Friday on how to cut the deficit, Fitzwater hinted additional aid also was being readied for Jordan, which has been hit by trade losses and a flow of refugees from Iraq.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - First lady Barbara Bush is expecting a boost from television glamour Wednesday to promote her literacy program.

Mrs. Bush plans to speak briefly at 1:15 p.m. EDT at a luncheon during a education conference sponsored by CBS News on the campus at Georgetown University. CBS correspondent Charles Kuralt is acting as host of the conference in connection with a series of education-related broadcasts.

Giving equal access to ABC, Mrs. Bush then will go to that network's Washington studios to join ABC News anchorman Peter Jennings for a call-in broadcast on the ABC Radio Networks from 2 to 3 p.m. EDT.

ABC said Mrs. Bush will discuss her plans for reading children's stories in the upcoming radio series, ''Mrs. Bush's Story Time,'' that starts Sept. 16 and continues for 10 Sundays.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.96	8.06	8.93
91-day Treasury bills	7.66	N/A	7.89

182-day Treasury bills	7.80	N/A	7.83
1-year Treasury bills	7.80	N/A	7.70
3-year Treasury notes	8.27	N/A	8.32
7-year Treasury notes	8.78	N/A	8.21
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	9.02	N/A	8.13
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.45	N/A	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.00	N/A	9.17
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.22	N/A	9.22
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.53	N/A	9.20
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.55	N/A	9.38
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.53	N/A	9.36

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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BALTIMORE (SEPT. 4) UPI - The Intelstat communications satellite consortium has filed a $400 million countersuit against Martin Marietta Corp. for allegedly botching the launch of a $157 million satellite last March, officials said Tuesday.

The action against Martin Marietta alleges negligence, breach of contract and misrepresentation. It claims that Martin Marietta miswired the satellite, failed to detect the faulty wiring in pre-flight tests and lied that the computer and wiring were compatible.

Intelstat's countersuit comes on the heels of a lawsuit that Martin Marietta filed in July against the consortium, seeking a judgment declaring that Martin Marietta does not have to pay Intelstat for the problem.

Since the ill-fated launch the satellite has been stranded about 300 miles above Earth, much lower than its intended orbit of 22,000 miles, officials said.

Intelstat claims losses of $400 million from the cost of the satellite, the amount paid to Martin Marietta before the launch and some $130 million in revenues Intelstat expected to make from international television and phone services.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - Viking Metallurgical has signed a $30 million, three-year contract to supply gas turbine engine components to Rolls-Royce PLC of London, Viking's parent company, Quanex Corp., said Tuesday.

The agreement, which begins Jan. 1, 1991, requires Viking to manufacture seamless contoured rolled titanium rings at its Verdi, Nev., plant for several Rolls-Royce Aero Engine types.

The commercial aircraft engines, made in the United Kingdom, are high-thrust, fuel-efficient engines currently fitted to Boeing 747, 757, 767 and Fokker 100 aircraft and Gulfstream GIV.

The company's new Trent engine is designed to meet the needs of the next generation of two- and three-engine widebody airframes, such as the Boeing 777, MD-11 and Airbus 330.

Quanex manufactures steel, aluminum and titanium specialty metal products for transportation, capital equipment, home building and remodeling and energy processing markets.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesdayas supplied by NASD.

Volume	78,140,900
Advances	789
Declines	1,009
Unchanged	2,470
Total	4,268

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Stocks edged lower Tuesday in another session of record-low volume for the year, as some late program buying wiped out sharp losses in the Dow industrials.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 21.04 Friday, eased 0.99 to close at 2613.37. The market was closed Monday for the Labor Day holiday.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.16 to 177.13 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index was up 0.53 to 323.09. The price of an average share added 3 cents.

Declines led advances 802-656 among the 1,947 issues crossing the NYSE tape. With many players still away for the Labor Day holiday, volume was 92,940,000 shares, breaking the previous record for volume for the year, the 96,490,960 shares traded Friday. Trading has not been this light since the day after Christmas, when 77,610,000 million shares changed hands.

''As pathetic as Friday was, today was worse,'' said Larry Greenwald, a block trader with Sanford C. Bernstein & Co. ''No one wants to make a move. Everyone's waiting for the next move in the Mideast.''

The Dow had been down 20 points with an hour of trading left after having been off as much as 30 points in earlier trading. In the last few minutes, thelosses, which had been cut to about 10 points, were virtually wiped out by a combination of late buying and program buying.

But traders stressed that the move was of almost no significance, since the effect of the late buying was exaggerated by the slow trading activity.

Weekend developments from the Persian Gulf pushed oil prices higher Monday and pressured stocks. Hopes waned for a diplomatic resolution to the crisis after U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar said over the weekend he had not made headway in negotiations with Iraq's foreign minister. October oil futures soared to about $29 a barrel Tuesday.

A report showing more weakness in the U.S. economy also pushed stocks down sharply and helped keep them there for most of the day.

The National Association of Purchasing Management's index of economic activity declined to 47 percent in August from 47.4 percent in July. The purchasing managers' index was expected to be unchanged. Any reading below 50 percent means that the manufacturing economy is declining.

But some analysts downplayed the importance of the data and said they did not expect economic news to have much of an effect on the market as long as events remain unsettled in the Gulf.

''The market is still based on the uncertainty in the Mideast and the price of oil,'' said Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King & Associates in Albany, N.Y.

Even though some in the market are looking to the weak data in hopes that it will push the Federal Reserve to cut interest rates, Doran said he doesn't expect any such cut for a while.

''I hope it won't be too long, but I think it could be even a month before we see any action,'' he said, ''because economic data is going to show higher inflation because of higher oil prices.''

On the trading floor, Pinnacle West Capital was the most active issue, sinking 3 3/4 to 12 3/8 after Pacificorp agreed to drop its efforts to acquire the company.

General Electric followed, down 3/4 to 61 1/4. Continental Corp. was third unchanged at 24 1/4.

Among the other blue chips, Philip Morris was unchanged at 45 1/8 in active trading, while AT&T lost 3/8 to 32 and General Motors fell 5/8 to 39. But IBM rose 3/4 to 102 5/8 in active trading.

Oil and oil-related issues were strong with crude oil prices gaining. Texaco rose 1/4 to 62, Amoco jumped 1 1/4 to 56 1/4 and British Petroleum gained 3/4 to 82 7/8.

Prices fell in light trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index lost 0.65 to 322.74. Declines led advances 298-198 among the 746 issues traded. The price of an average share lost 2 cents. Volume was 8,790,000 shares vs. 8,254,750 shares traded Friday.

Salomon's put warrants on the Tokyo market's Nikkei index led the Amex issues, up 5/8 to 16 1/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 0.46 to 381.67.

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(SEPT 4) UPI - Showers and thunderstorms doused much of the nation Tuesday, raising the threat of flooding in the West, while a record heat wave sizzled at least three states.

The National Weather Service said flash flood watches were posted across parts of Southern California, southern Nevada and Arizona.

Rainshowers and thunderstorms extended along the South Carolina and Georgia coast Tuesday afternoon along Florida, the Texas Gulf coast and southern Texas.

Showers were scattered over northeast Ohiom northeast Wisconsin, northern lower Michigan, western South Dakota, south-central Montana, western Wyoming and eastern Idaho. Showers and thunderstorms also scattered across the southern portions of California, Arizona and New Mexico.

By Tuesday afternoon, the temperature in Meridian, Miss., climbed to a record 102 degrees, breaking the Sept. 4, 1954, mark of 100 degrees. In

Milwaukee, it was a record 91 degrees, besting by one degree the high established in 1871 and 1941. In Mobile, Ala., the barometer rose to 99, breaking the 1954 high of 98 degrees.

The low temperature for the nation Tuesday morning was 29 degrees at Truckee, Calif.

The wet weather in the West came on the heels of a sudden electric storm that hit Boulder City in southern Nevada Monday evening, setting on fire a supermarket and a residence.

No injuries were reported.

The storm surprised 100,000 Labor Day visitors to the Lake Mead Recreational Area behind Hoover Dam, near Las Vegas, where rangers broadcast marine warnings to boaters shortly before 50-mph winds hit. On land, sheets of rain forced motorists to the side of the road.

The storm was churned up from a low-pressure area over northern Mexico, and the same storm brought high winds Monday night that uprooted trees, flooded streets and downed power poles in the metropolitan Phoenix area.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	381.77	378.54	381.67	up	0.46
Industrial	408.23	403.78	408.13	up	1.19
Finance	383.46	381.33	382.74	off	0.76
Insurance	445.68	442.11	445.68	up	0.15
Utility	511.04	503.80	511.04	up	0.80
Bank	287.36	284.22	286.77	off	0.24
Transport	413.61	406.78	409.51	off	4.00

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-23) 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index 167.27 up 0.24

Industrial Index 161.36 up 0.53

NASDAQ-100 Index 389.49 up 2.26

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share 8.72 up 0.02

Volume 57,751,200 shares

Advances 673

Declines 777

Unchanged	1,374
Total	2,824

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	177.13	175.50	177.13	up 0.16
Industrial	222.15	219.99	222.15	up 0.41
Transport	140.77	139.59	140.77	off 0.56
Utility	82.89	82.22	82.89	off 0.18
Finance	124.32	123.45	124.32	off 0.03

Equivalent to a gain of 3 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 92,940,000 shares.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	2
New lows	43

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	198	4,038,000
Declines	298	3,515,200
Unchanged	250	1,236,800
Total	746	8,790,000

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#90247u2129 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - A diet high in corn appears to sharply increase the risk for oral and throat cancer among men who drink heavily, an Italian study showed Tuesday.

A study of nearly 800 men in northeastern Italy found high intake of corn, mostly in the form of the Italian cornmeal dish polenta, appeared to about triple the risk for cancer of the mouth, pharnyx and esophagus among heavy drinkers.

High corn intake may increase the risk for those cancers by causing deficiencies in nutrients such as niacin and riboflavin, which studies

have indicated may increase the risk for such cancers, the researchers said.

''Particularly if it is refined, maize (corn) is less nutritious than other grains and can cause deficiencies of several micronutrients,'' Dr. Silvia Franceschi of the Avianco Cancer Center in Avianco, Italy, and colleagues reported in the Journal of the National Cancer Institute.

The findings, which could not be explained by other lifestyle criteria like age, occupation, tobacco use or other dietary habits, confirm previous studies conducted in Africa, Italy and China, they said.

Because the increased risk was only found in men who drank large amounts of alcohol - more than 42 drinks a week, the researchers speculated alcohol consumption may aggravate the nutritional deficits.

''While we can only speculate on such mechanisms, the present data suggest that maize retains a role in the etiology of (such) cancers even in developed areas of the world, where maize is still a major staple food and/or where the occurrence of alcohol-related diseases is high,'' Franceschi said.

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#90247u2133 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	322.74	off 0.65
High Technology	324.67	up 0.82
Capital Goods	350.10	off 1.46
Consumer Goods	390.32	off 3.70
Service	710.28	off 1.74
Retail	1046.72	off 7.51
Financial	373.78	off 0.06
Natural Resources	246.15	up 0.20
Housing-Const-Land	332.44	up 0.71

There was a loss of 2 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	407.38	off 0.69
Mid Atlantic	410.13	off 0.86
No Central	443.63	off 1.06
So Atlantic	924.45	off 4.19
So Central	317.97	off 1.81
Mountain	113.98	off 1.44
Pacific	377.89	off 0.20
Foreign	243.92	up 0.08

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#90247u2134 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - The Navy, brushing aside Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait, awarded McDonnell Douglas Corp. of St. Louis a $140 million increment Tuesday on a $1.2 billion contract for 32 F/A-18C and eight F/A-18D fighters for Kuwait.

''We still recognize the government of Kuwait,'' said Lt. Cmdr. Ken Satterfield, a Pentagon spokesman.

He said the Bush administration is hopeful the government of Kuwait will be back in power in the one to two years it will take to build the planes. But if not, he said, the planes could be sold to another country.

The $1.2 billion contract for the 40 jets was negotiated with the government of Kuwait more than a year ago, he said.

Work will be performed in St. Louis and is expected to be completed in November 1993, the Navy said.

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#90247u2176 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 4) UPI - A federal judge Tuesday tossed out the biggest payola trial in decades, bringing to an end the government's case against former record promoter Joseph Isgro after finding that key evidence was improperly withheld from the defense.

U.S. District Judge James M. Ideman had suspended the trial last week after being informed that six volumes of testimony given in an earlier trial by a key government witness, Dennis Di Ricco, has not been given to either the defense or the grand jury that indicted Isgro.

Also indicted with Isgro were former CBS Records executive Ray Anderson and Isgro associate Jeffrey Monka.

Court rules require the prosecution to make available to a defendant any information that might aid in his defense.

Ideman on Tuesday dismissed the case ''with prejudice,'' meaning that the charges cannot be refiled by the federal government against any of the defendants.

The stunning development in the five-year-long payola, mail fraud and racketeering case came in what would have been the third week of the high-stakes trial, which has been widely followed by the radio and recording industries.

Isgro, one of the most powerful independent record promoters of the 1980s, was accused of making cash and cocaine payments to radio station employees in California and Texas in exchange for their promises to broadcast certain records promoted by Isgro.

If convicted on all charges, he would have faced 200 years in prison and $1.4 million in fines.

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#90247u2182 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - World crude-oil prices rose by more than $2 a barrel and U.S. gasoline by more than 8 cents a gallon Tuesday in a rally triggered by the apparent failure of weekend Persian Gulf peace talks.

''I think the reason for the move is that a lot of people had put a lot of faith in U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar's weekend meeting with Iraq's Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, and he (Perez de Cuellar) left disappointed,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading at United Energy Inc. in New York.

''The market is acting like a magnifying glass. It is magnifying the fact that nothing happened,'' said Michael Wilner, president of Hilltop Trading Co., New York. ''It's an over-sensitive market.''

On the European spot market, where crude is sold to the highest bidder, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent surged $2.58 over Friday to $30.78 a barrel.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - rocketed $2.30 to $26.80 a barrel.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery shot up $1.80 over Friday's close to $29.12 a barrel after trading as high as $29.31 a barrel.

Unleaded gasoline for October delivery jumped 8.34 cents to 94.52 cents a gallon, while October home heating oil added 5.83 cents to 82.39 cents a gallon.

On the New York Harbor spot market, prompt-delivery unleaded gasoline shot up 7.4 cents to $1.04 a gallon.

Analysts said the Merc, which was closed Monday for the U.S. Labor Day holiday, opened stronger on the European market's reaction Monday to the failure of the talks.

''The U.S. market was just catching up with what the European market had

done,'' said George Konikowski of Smith Barney Upham Harris & Co., New York.

James Steel, energy analyst with New York's Refco Inc., said he thought prices would have fallen back in the afternoon from traders taking profits on earlier gains. But congressional testimony by Secretary of State James Baker indicating that a solution to the crisis was a ways off forestalled this, he said.

In the first official report to Congress on Bush administration policy in the Persian Gulf crisis, Baker said that Iraq's ''unprovoked aggression is a political test of how the post-Cold War world will ''ical

He said that the American people need to: ''Stand firm. Be patient. And remain united.''

Another analyst said, ''There is a lack of selling in the marketplace. The sellers are not there.'' The rising market and Persian Gulf crisis have created a fear-of-selling psychology, he said.

Wilner noted it was difficult to understand the rise in gasoline for delivery in October. This is the first month for the lifting of stricter, summertimeair-pollution vapor standards and should ease the supply of gasoline, he said.

''People may be holding on to gasoline because they are concerned over what's going to happen down the road,'' Wilner said.

Sun Co., of Radnor, Pa., along with Marathon Oil Co., USX Corp.'s Findlay, Ohio-based unit and Du Pont's Conoco Inc. in Houston all raised the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead by $1.75 to $27.50 a barrel for WTI.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, where crude is sold to the highest bidder, prompt-delivery WTI gained $1.80 to $29.10 a barrel.

In the Middle East, a U.S. warship in the Gulf of Oman seized an Iraqi freighter carrying tea from Sri Lanka Tuesday, American defense sources said, and a U.S.-chartered plane was expected to carry about 130 Westerners out of Iraq, where they had been held as shields against attack.

In addition, more than 300 Britons left Kuwait City by bus for a long journey to Baghdad in search of exit visas and a way home, while thousands of refugees remained stranded in dismal conditions along the Iraqi-Jordanian border.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - The White House says President Bush will ask Congress to forgive an estimated seven-point-one-BILLION-dollars in military loans to Egypt for Cairo's support of the U-S-led stand against Iraq. The announcement came as Bush sought donations from allies abroad to defray the costs of the Persian Gulf crisis. The confrontation with Iraq is costing the United States an estimated 46-Million-dollars a day in military operations alone. The debt forgiveness is seen as compounding the fiscal problems already existing at home.

Secretary of State Baker says the United States has returned Iraq to its list of nations supporting international terrorism. The move is purely symbolic because the only impact would be to prevent the sale of military items to the Baghdad government. Military sales already are banned by an executive order and the mandatory sanctions imposed against Iraq by the U-N Security Council following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The countdown for the shuttle Columbia is past the halfway point... clearing the spacecraft for the loading of its fuel tomorrow. Thursday's scheduled launch is already more than three months behind... mainly because of a hydrogen fuel leak. Engineers today tested Columbia's flight control system in preparation for the pre-dawn blastoff.

Government scientists are refuting claims by two Atlanta doctors, who report that an experimental blood-heating procedure has been affective in treating the AIDS virus. One patient says all his symptoms disappeared after undergoing the treatment known as hyperthermia, but another died after treatment and others remain infected. Investigators today issued a report saying there ''appears to be NO clinical'' support for use of hyperthermia in ''the treatment of H-I-V disease.''

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#90247u2194 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 4) UPI - The violence in South Africa's black townships continued today with more factional fighting in Sebokeng. Police say at least 35 people were killed... 11 when soldiers opened fire on a crowd surrounding a hostel for migrant workers. Another 100 people were wounded as the fighting intensified despite a statement from President Frederik de Klerk saying the killing ''must come to an end.''

Pope John Paul the Second was in Tanzania on the fourth day of his 11-day African tour. Thousands from neighboring Kenya and Uganda swelled the Tanzanian congregation for the open air mass. The huge crowds flocked to hear the pope denounce what he calls ''the unspeakable crime of abortion '' birth control, polygamy, bride-selling and the still common practice of witchcraft. The trip is the Pope's seventh to Africa, but his first to Tanzania.

A New York company has agreed to pay what officials describe as one of the largest settlements in the 10-year history of the federal toxic waste Superfund. A-V-X Corporation will pay 66-Million dollars for its role in polluting New Bedford Harbor in Massachusetts. A-V-X, which operated an electronics manufacturing plant next to the harbor, was one of four companies accused of discharging toxic P-C-B's into the harbor.

A man who had been calling himself ''Forest Green'' was released on bond today in Long Creek, South Carolina... one day after being arrested for taking up residence in a tree. Green, who's real name is Hunter Sams, climbed the tree last Wednesday in an effort to block construction of a logging road in the Sumter National Forest. He was arrested yesterday after coming out of the tree because he was exhausted.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Lost among the hoopla and hysteria that has greeted Jennifer Capriati's debut is the trivia that Mary Joe Fernandez remains the youngest player ever to win a match at the U.S. Open.

She was 14 years and one month in 1985 when she defeated Sara Gomer in a first-round match, and Fernandez even got as far as the third round.

On Tuesday, Fernandez registered another significant victory, outlasting Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere 6-2, 2-6, 6-1 to become the first semifinalist at this year's Open. She never before had made it past the third round.

To Fernandez, who turned 19 a month ago and graduated from high school only last year, the victory felt ''fantastic. I'm really ''year, th

Fernandez, the eighth seed, recalls vividly the reception she received as a 14-year-old.

''I remember, I remember, it wasn't that long ago,'' she said. ''I remember it being a lot of fun, and it still is. Playing against people like Martina (Navratilova), Chris (Evert), you've grown up watching them on TV and then going to Wimbledon, the U.S. Open, they're big thrills.''

In the semifinals, Fernandez will face either Gabriela Sabatini or Leila Meskhi, who were to play Tuesday night.

The semifinal bracket will be completed Wednesday with Steffi Graf, the two-time defending champion and No. 1 seed, playing No. 12 Jana Novotna and No. 4 Zina Garrison going against No. 6 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario.

Maleeva-Fragniere, the No. 9 seed, was coming off her major upset of

Navratilova,

''I'm not sure if it's the win against Martina that was the problem today, but I was so nervous and couldn't find the way to put her under pressure '' said Maleeva-Fragniere, whose voice was breaking and who appeared near tears.

''I'm so disappointed that I lost because I felt I really could have won that it's difficult to talk. I blame only myself right now.I don't put it on her game, it was my serves, my strokes. I thought I was really prepared. Physically, I'm not tired.''

Fernandez, loser in this year's Australian Open final to Graf, started strong on a soft, sunny afternoon, racing to a 4-0 lead. Maleeva-Fragniere won the next two games to cut her deficit in half, but Fernandez broke at love and held at 15 to end the set in a half hour.

The second set was a virtual carbon copy of the first, except that this time it was Maleeva-Fragniere taking the first four games and the last two.

Maleeva-Fragniere held serve to open the deciding set and had a break point in the second game, but was unable to convert. Fernandez then broke at love in the third game, withstood another break point against her in the fourth, and was untouchable the rest of the way.

''My game plan was to play aggressive and come in when I could,'' said Fernandez, who was more comfortable from the baseline but still ventured forward on 35 occasions. ''Even in the second set I felt I was in control.''

Maleeva-Fragniere, stopped in the quarterfinals of the Open four of the last five years, commented, ''It's very hard to know what happened in the third set. I was feeling fine and then the match was over.

''It's a lesson and hopefully there will be another time I'll be in the quarterfinals.''

Fernandez, who lives in Miami, has endured a series of frustrating injuries this year, causing her to retire from three of her previous six tournaments. Among the aches and pains have been tendinitis in her right shoulder, a pulled hamstring, a sore back and a tear of the inside cartilage in her right knee.

''It was frustrating,'' she said. ''The times I'd be playing I'd be playing well, enjoying myself, getting a lot of confidence...then I'd have to start all over again.''

With the early exits of Navratilova and Monica Seles, the second and third

seeds, the rest of the field will be hard put to prevent Steffi Graf from annexing a third consecutive Open crown.

Graf's combined record against the seven other quarterfinalists is 58-6, including 8-0 against Jana Novotna, her opponent Wednesday.

Of course, the unexpected always is a possibility. In the semifinals, Graf could go against Zina Garrison or Arantxa Sanchez Vicario. She has a combined 13-3 mark against them, but lost to Sanchez Vicario in the 1989 French Open and to Garrison in this year's Wimbledon semifinals.

The top seed remaining in the bottom half of the draw is Sabatini. If they are to meet in the final, Graf will go in with an 18-3 career record against her occasional doubles partner.

The men's draw is more unpredictable, although there are three unseeded players among the final eight. The most prominent is John McEnroe, a four-time Open champion who faces another unseeded player, David Wheaton, in the quarterfinals Wednesday night.

Third seed Ivan Lendl will play No. 12 Pete Sampras in Wednesday's other match.

The quarterfinals will be completed Thursday with No. 2 Boris Becker, the defending champion, going against No. 9 Aaron Krickstein and No. 4 Andre Agassi opposing unseeded Andrei Cherkasov.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Tuesday was 452.44, up 0.07 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90247u2248 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - The aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower, which had been in the Red Sea and the Mediterranean in support of Operation Desert Shield, was in the Atlantic Ocean Tuesday and heading home, U.S. officials said.

It had been replaced in the eastern Mediterranean by the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy and its battle group.

U.S. officials said about 70,000 U.S. troops are now on the ground in

Saudi Arabia. More than 100,000 are expected to be on the ground by the first week of October.

As of Tuesday, the United States had committed the following forces to Saudi Arabia and nearby waters in support of Operation Desert Shield. The forces in the gulf region or headed there include:

Navy
Joint Task Force-Middle East
(In the Persian Gulf - 12 ships)

1 joint task force command ship: USS LaSalle

1 battleship: USS Wisconsin

2 cruisers: USS England and USS Antietam

2 destroyers: USS David R. Ray, one other

5 frigates: USS Vandegrift, USS Rentz, USS Robert G. Bradley, USS Barbey, USS Brewton

1 amphibious command ship: USS Blue Ridge, flagship for the commander of U.S. naval forces, U.S. Central Command.

Independence Battle Group
(In the Gulf of Oman - 7 ships)

1 carrier: USS Independence

1 cruiser: USS Jouett

1 destroyer: USS Goldsborough

1 frigate: USS Reid

3 supply ships

-2 other ships of the battle group have detached to conduct shadowing operations.

Amphibious Ready Group Alpha
(In the northern Arabian Sea - 5 ships)

5 amphibious ships carrying the 2,500-man 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit from Okinawa, headed for the Persian Gulf.

Saratoga Battle Group

(In the Red Sea - 8 ships)

1 carrier: USS Saratoga

2 cruisers: USS Philippine Sea and USS Biddle

1 destroyer: USS Sampson

3 frigates: USS Elmer Montgomery, USS Thomas C. Hart and USS Samuel B. Roberts

1 fast combat ship

13 Marine amphibious ships carrying the 15,000-man 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade headed to the Middle East are in the Red Sea, headed for the Persian Gulf.

Kennedy Battle Group
(In the Mediterranean - 7 ships)

1 carrier: USS John F. Kennedy

3 cruisers: USS Mississippi, USS San Jacinto, USS Thomas S. Gates

1 destroyer: USS Moosbrugger

2 auxiliary ships

Four ships of the Mediterranean Amphibious ReQdy Group 3-90 carrying the 2,500-man 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit ae in the Mediterranean.

Other U.S. warships, including the 6th Fleet flagship, the USS Belknap, are in the Mediterranean.

Air Force

-Military Airlift Command C-141, C-5 and C-130 cargo aircraft are involved in moving personnel and equipment to the Middle East

-Strategic Air Command KC-135 and KC-10 aerial tankers are refueling aircraft en route to the Middle East.

-F-15 Eagle fighters from 1st Tactical Fighter Wing, Langley Air Force Base, Va.

-F-15E Eagle fighters from 4th Tactical Fighter Wing, Seymour Johnson Air

Force Base, N.C.

-F-16 Fighting Falcon fighters from 363rd Tactical Fighter Wing, Shaw Air Force Base, S.C.

-E-3 Airborne Warning and Control System planes from 552nd Airborne Warning and Control Wing, Tinker Air Force Base, Okla.

-RC-135 reconnaissance aircraft.

-F-117A stealth fighter-bombers from 37th Tactical Fighter Wing, Tonopah Test Range Airfield, Nev.

-A-10 Thunderbolt II ground-attack aircraft from 354th Tactical Fighter Wing, Myrtle Beach Air Force Base, S.C.

-F-111F fighter-bombers from 48th Tactical Fighter Wing, Royal Air Force, Lakenheath, England.

-F-4G Wild Weasel fighters from 35th Tactical Fighter Wing, George Air Force Base, Calif.

-C-130 Hercules cargo aircraft from 435th Tactical Airlift Wing, Rhein Main Air Base, West Germany; 317th Tactical Airlift Wing, Pope Air Force Base, N.C.; and 314th Tactical Airlift Wing, Little Rock Air Force Base, Ark.

-Air Transportable Hospitals from MacDill, Langley, Shaw, Seymour Johnson and Myrtle Beach Air Force Bases.

-F-16 jets from 401st Tactical Fighter Wing, Torrejon Air Base, Spain, to Qatar.

Army - Elements of:

-1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas

-2nd Armored Division, Fort Hood.

-82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C.

-24th Infantry (Mechanized) Division, Fort Stewart, Ga.

-101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Ky.

-1st Corps Support Command, Fort Bragg, N.C.

-197th Infantry Brigade (Mechanized), Fort Benning, Ga.

-3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Bliss, Texas.

-11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, Fort Bliss, Texas.

-101st Aviation Brigade, Fort Campbell, Ky.

-Headquarters, 3rd U.S. Army, Fort McPherson, Ga.

-3rd Corps Artillery, Fort Sill, Okla.

-7th Medical Command, West Germany.

-13th Corps Support Command, Fort Hood, Texas.

-12th Combat Aviation Brigade, West Germany

-3rd Armored Division, West Germany

Marines - Elements of:

-1st Marine Expeditionary Force, command element from Camp Pendleton, Calif.

-1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade, Marine Corps Air Station, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

-4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade, headquartered at Norfolk, Va.; includes units of 2nd Marine Division and 2nd Force Service Support Group from Camp LeJeune, N.C., and the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing at Cherry Point and New River, N.C.

-7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade, Twenty-nine Palms, Calif.; includes units of 1st Marine Division and 1st Force Service Support Group, Camp Pendleton, Calif.; 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, El Toro, Calif.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - The dollar closed mostly higher against major world currencies Tuesday in sluggish trading as investors awaited significant economic data due out later this week.

Late in the New York trading session, the dollar was quoted at 1.58 German marks, up from 1.5764 Friday, and at 143.35 Japanese yen, off from 143.80 Friday. The market was closed Monday for the Labor Day holiday.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3130 Swiss francs, up from 1.3080; 5.2950

French francs, up from 5.2870; and 1,178.75 Italian lire, up from 1,165.

The British pound dropped to $1.88 from $1.8890 Friday.

''The dollar was a real sleeper today,'' said David Gilmore, a foreign exchange analyst with McCarthy, Crisanti & Maffei Inc. ''There was no news out of the Middle East, and everyone was sidelined ahead of the employment report Friday.''

Many market participants believe the government's data on U.S. employment in August, if weak enough, could prompt the Federal Reserve to ease interest rates, he said.

The release Tuesday of the National Association of Purchasing Management's monthly index showed further signs of sluggishness in the economy, he said. The index dropped to 47 percent in August from 47.4 percent in July.

A reading below 50 generally indicates the manufacturing segment of the economy is experiencing a decline in growth.

Most of the Tuesday's trading activity involved mark-yen cross- trading, which sent the mark lower and caused the dollar to close weaker against the yen but stronger against the mark, analysts said.

Driving the cross-trading were Japanese banks, securities firms and investors taking profits in non-yen currencies such as the German and Swiss marks and Britain's pound, analysts said.

Continued nervousness over the German unification process also served to weaken the mark, they said.

In European currency trading, the dollar closed marginally lower in narrow quiet trading as markets focused on weaknesses in the U.S. economy.

The dollar softened in both Frankfurt, at 1.5825 German marks against Monday's close of 1.5840, and Zurich, at 1.3130 Swiss francs from 1.3160. Zurich traders said the dollar came under a bout of profit- taking as market players covered their positions.

In London, the pound rose slightly against the U.S. unit, to $1.8750 from $1.8720.

The dollar slipped in Paris and Milan, to 5.2820 French francs vs. 5.3115 and 1,172.90 Italian lire vs. 1,177, but was unchanged in Brussels at 32.52 Belgian francs.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar rose against the yen as bargain hunters snapped it up thinking it had been underpriced against all major

currencies. The dollar closed at 144.05 yen, up from Monday's close of 143.55 yen, the Bank of Japan said.

Dealers said they expected the dollar's rise to be short-lived, given the unfavorable U.S. employment figures expected later in the week.

Gold closed lower in Zurich, at $383.50 an ounce against $387.50, and inLondon, at $382.25 an ounce against $387.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $384.75 an ounce, up from $382.75 Friday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $383.70 an ounce, up from $382.30.

Silver moved down in Zurich at $4.75 an ounce from $4.80 and also was weaker in London at $4.75 an ounce from $4.84.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.76 an ounce, off from $4.79. Comex silver finished at $4.719 an ounce, off from $4.759.

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OTTAWA (SEPT. 4) UPI - Indian Affairs Minister Tom Siddon said Tuesday the government is willing to negotiate greater powers for Canada's Indian groups if defiant Mohawks south of Montreal disarmed themselves.

Siddon said the government already funds Indian peacekeeper units in Quebec, but would discuss other policing powers as soon as the group of Mohawks on the Kanesatake reserve surrender their weapons.

''That is certainly one of several aspects we are quite prepared to discuss with Mohawks as an element of self-government which we are going to be taking steps to move on,'' Siddon said, adding that policing was ''an important component'' of self-government.

Saturday, armed forces conducted a lightning strike on the Kanesatake reserve and began bulldozing barricades put up nearly two months ago by Mohawks to protest a planned golf course expansion on lands the Indians claimed was an ancient burial ground.

Soldiers continued Tuesday to surround a detoxification center at the settlement in Oka, Quebec, which serves as the last post for about 50 militant Mohawk warriors, women and children refusing to disarm.

One of the militants, known only as Beekeeper, said in a televised interview Tuesday the Warriors were committed to defending the land and the Mohawk nation.

''It must be understood,'' he said, ''that we shall either live or die in the process.''

Beekeeper said, however, the group was also committed to a peaceful solution and the natives would surrender if the federal and Quebec governments were willing to negotiate fundamental issues such as self-government and sovereignty.

The standoff between Mohawks and armed forces in Quebec began as a relatively simple land dispute in July, but quickly escalated over the weeks into complex demands for self-government, improved economic conditions and recognition of the Mohawks as a sovereign nation.

Although the armed insurrection appears to be fizzling out without any real display of violence between soldiers and Indians, some experts believe the number of incidents will escalate unless the government is willing to negotiate greater powers for the native groups.

At the Kahnawake reserve near Chateauguay, Quebec, armed forces allowed reporters to look at dozens of weapons seized Sunday from the Longhouse, a site of traditional Mohawk government.

Among the weapons were AK-47 assault rifles, a weapon used by most Eastern European countries, Uzi pistols and Barrett sniping rifles.

Marlene Castellano, who heads the native studies program at Trent University in Peterborough, Ontario, said the standoff between Mohawks and armed forces in Quebec raises a number of important questions, among them whether the government will use soldiers to quell future unrest or agree to address important issues.

Other experts said most native groups have rejected the idea of a sovereign state, independent of Canada, but are seeking greater powers for native peoples rather than independence.

In particular, Mohawk leaders have cited the need for their own police force and a separate justice system more consistent with the native culture and traditions.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker, in the first official report to Congress on Bush administration policy in the Persian Gulf crisis, said Tuesday that Iraq's ''unprovoked aggression is a political test of how the post-Cold War world will work.''

Baker used his appearance before the House Foreign Affairs lawmakers not

only to outline U.S. goals in the Middle East, but also to point out the foreign policy opportunities he believes the crisis is providing and that the United States should exploit.

''It is not enough to demonstrate aggression and intimidation don't pay,'' Baker said. ''We must show that a pathway to reconciliation and peace does exist.''

That requires, he said, three things of the American people: ''Stand firm. Be patient. And remain united.'' In addition, Baker said the deployment would cost ''a lot of money'' - about $6 billion through the end of the year.

Baker received more signs of bipartisan support for President Bush's military buildup in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf, which was sparked by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the threat to Middle East oil supplies.

Rep. Dante Fascell, D-Fla., chairman of the committee, led a chorus of members in congratulating Baker on the response to the Iraqi occupation, saying, ''The Congress is unified in support of the president.''

But Fascell suggested Bush address a joint session of Congress to ''report fully and officially to the American people.'' Some other Democrats pressed Baker on whether the president would comply with the War Powers Resolution.

Baker repeated the administration's position that parts of the 1973 measure are unconstitutional and said the president would not invoke the resolution, which could - in theory - allow Congress to force a withdrawal of U.S. forces.

Fascell said Congress ''must act at some time'' to share responsiblity for the U.S. military involvement. But Fascell said how Congress would do so could be decided later, most likely outside the context of the War Powers Resolution.

Baker repeatedly stressed that the standoff along the Saudi-Kuwaiti border should be seen as a historic turning point and called the invasion of Kuwait ''one of the defining moments of a new era - an era full of promise but also one replete with new challenges.''

''Iraq's unprovoked aggression is a political test of how the post- Cold War world will work,'' said Baker.

He laid out the basic administration strategy:

-''To lead a global political alliance to isolate Iraq - politically, economically and militarily. In this way, we aim to make Iraq pay such a

high price for its aggression that it will be forced to withdraw from Kuwait and release Americans and others held hostage.''

-To improve opportunities for long-term security and stability in the Persian Gulf and to deter a military attack on Saudi Arabia and its neighbors. He told the committee that ''over 25 countries'' are now supplying troops and other assistance to the effort against Iraq.

He made it clear that the administration will insist that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''must not be allowed to hold on to what he stole.''

Asked if one American goal would be the removal of Saddam from power, Baker said, ''That is not one of our objectives.''

-In building an international consensus, Baker said the Soviet Union has ''proven a responsible partner, suggesting new possibilities for active superpower cooperation in resolving regional conflicts.''

He did not mention any specific examples of how that might work or discuss details of the surprise Sunday summit in Finland between Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

But White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater told reporters, ''A new foundation for a new world order is being built and the spadework begins in Helsinki.''

In another Capitol Hill development, Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., chairman of the House Armed Services Committee who just returned from the Persian Gulf said the Pentagon should consider calling up National Guard and reserve units that have combat roles as a test of whether the restructuring of the military after the Vietnam War works.

Aspin's suggestion was echoed by another senior member, Rep. G.V. Montgomery, D-Miss., who also made the trip and has been a strong guard and reserve advocate. Units called up so far have been support forces.

''There's a great deal of interest to make sure there are some combat units that are called up. We want to see how good the combat units are,'' Aspin said, noting, ''We all know the skepticism of the active duty forces about the value of the reserves. We ought to test it, find out.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.28	9.95
Anchor Fund Inv	14.80	15.70
Delaware Mutual	17037	18.26

Fidelity Fund	16.69	16.69
Investors Mutual	10.97	11.55
Investors Stocks	18.18	19.14
IDS Equity Plus	8.98	9.45
Mass Inv Growth	8.50	9.16
Nicholas Fund	3.30	3.30
United Accumulated	6.34	6.93
United Income	17.15	18.74
Vanguard Wellington	16.01	16.01

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 4) UPI - Ambassadors and other representatives of 12 African nations ventured beyond Washington Tuesday to make contact with Americans who could help bring investment and business opportunities to their developing nations.

''We are here ... to arouse some interest in whatever we have to offer,'' Paul Desire Kabore, Burkina Faso's ambassador to the United States and the designated spokesman for the group, said.

The delegation, which included eight ambassadors, came to Los Angeles to explore trade and economic opportunities with local businesses, develop cultural exchange projects and expand student exchange programs with local universities.

Since February 1989, the ambassadors have periodically left their embassies to visit several U.S. states, including Michigan, Texas, Ohio and Colorado, in an ongoing bid to attract business investments.

''We thought instead of staying in Washington and partaking in the daily routine of seeing people on Capitol Hill, we ought to create a new momentum in the fields of commerce, economics and cultural exchanges,'' Kabore said.

''Our main purpose is to create some feeling for Africa,'' he said.

Kabore said he wanted to remind business and government officials that Central and West Africa is a 2.5-million-square-mile area of 70 million people and is closer to North America than Japan.

During a short private reception with Mayor Tom Bradley, members of the delegation presented the mayor with a traditional mask created by a tribe bordering the nations of Burkina Faso, Mali and Ivory Coast.

Kabore said that many of the nations represented by the diplomatic group became independent 30 years ago. Many are state-managed economies that

need help in opening their markets to the international community.

''Not only help us improve the public sector but we also need to create a new private sector,'' Kabore said. ''We know that being here in the United States that instead of Uncle Sam running everything here, it's the private sector.''

He also said the nations need help introducing high technology and managerial skills to their populations.

The delegates will tour Southern California through Sunday, visiting local universities, business leaders, major city operations like the Port of Los Angeles and other sites. They are from Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chad, Central African Republic, Ivory Coast, Guinea, Mali, Niger, Rwanda, Senegal and Togo.

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AUSTIN, TX (SEPT. 4) UPI - A special panel investigating the controversial use of Texas convicts to train tracking dogs Tuesday defended the exercises, but recommended that prisons buy better protective gear and review policies governing the program.

The subcommittee of three board members also suggested that prison officials suspend actual ''engagement'' between inmates and dogs until better protective clothing - including head and neck gear - is provided the prisoners.

The recommendations will be presented to the Texas Board of Criminal Justice at its Sept. 11 meeting.

Prison officials said they would immediately comply with the requested suspension until helmets can be purchased. Inmates currently are not provided any headgear when being tracked by the dogs.

The subcommittee members, Allan Polunsky of San Antonio, Jim Eller of Bryan and Mamie Proctor of Houston, adopted the preliminary recommendations during a telephone conference call.

Prison board Chairman Charles Terrell appointed the subcommittee to review the dog training procedures following news reports that board Vice Chairman Jerry Hodge of Amarillo and two bear hunting buddies participated in a horseback hunt of inmates using the tracking dogs. Following the expedition, Hodge presented his friends with jackets that read ''The Ultimate Hunt.''

The reports prompted the Texas Civil Liberties Union to call for Hodge's

resignation. Critics call the practice demeaning and dangerous.

The subcommittee members, who participated in the ''hunts'' as part of their review, said there appeared to be little danger to the inmates.

''The thing I'm most concerned with ... is the possibility of bites to the neck or to the face or something. I mean it's very unlikely, and it's my understanding that it's very infrequent, but I would like to go that extra step,'' Polunsky said of providing headgear.

''I want to emphasize that I don't consider the procedure now to be dangerous, but it seems that that situation with the face and head and neck is the only real area that the inmate would be subject to the possibility of being bitten or receiving injuries.''

Prisoners began wearing padded gear on the training exercises after two inmates won $14,000 in a settlement with the state for injuries suffered from working with the inmates. Four other inmates seriously injured by dogs have sued the prison system.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - An 18-year-old University of Florida student named as a suspect in the Gainesville serial murders has been implicated in a 1988 sexual assault case. Authorities in Indian River County, Florida, say the victim saw a picture of Edward Humphrey in a newspaper and told investigators he is the man who attacked her two years ago. Gainesville police say Humphrey is one of eight suspects in the murders of five college students last month. Humphrey already is jailed on charges of assaulting his grandmother.

A member of a militant Mohawk Indian group in Canada said in a televised interview today that they are willing to die to protect their land. Canadian troops still surround a detoxification center at the Indian reserve in Oka, Quebec, where about 50 defiant Mohawks are holed up. Canada's Indian Affairs Minister Tom Siddon says the government is willing to talk about greater powers for the nation's Indian groups if the Mohawks agree to disarm.

A West German publication says the Soviet Union plans to grant asylum to several top East German spies. The tabloid says 50 agents of the former East German state security police will seek refuge in the Soviet Union because they are likely to be arrested for their former espionage activities after German unification October 3rd. The agents reportedly worked closely with Soviet intelligence.

Scientists at Philadelphia's Wistar Institute say the debilitating chronic

fatigue syndrome... commonly known as ''yuppie flu''... may be linked to a virus. Researchers found evidence of a type of virus known as a retro-virus in the blood of syndrome patients. The scientists say they have NOT yet identified the virus or shown that it actually causes the disease.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	76	58	.567	-	42-22	34-36	9-1	L-1
Toronto	70	65	.519	6 1/2	34-34	36-31	4-6	L-1
Detroit	65	70	.481	11 1/2	33-35	32-35	7-3	W-1
Milwaukee	63	71	.471	13	31-36	32-35	6-4	L-2
Baltimore	60	73	.451	15 1/2	29-34	31-39	1-9	L-4
Cleveland	59	75	.440	17	32-36	27-39	2-8	L-8
New York	56	78	.418	20	30-33	26-45	4-6	L-5
West								
Oakland	84	50	.627	-	44-24	40-26	6-4	W-2
Chicago	77	56	.579	6 1/2	39-29	38-27	4-6	W-1
Texas	68	66	.507	16	38-28	30-38	4-6	W-1
California	68	67	.504	16 1/2	36-32	32-35	7-3	W-2
Kansas City	66	68	.493	18	40-29	26-39	4-6	L-1
Seattle	66	69	.489	18 1/2	35-36	31-33	5-5	W-1
Minnesota	62	74	.459	23	33-36	29-38	6-4	W-3

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Chicago (NL) - Recalled infielder Greg Smith and pitcher Dave Pavlas from Iowa of the American Association (AAA); purchased outfielder Derrick May from Iowa.

Milwaukee - Called up first baseman George Canale from Denver of the American Association (AAA).

New York (NL) - Waived catcher Barry Lyons; recalled pitchers Jeff Musselman and Jeff Innis and infielder Kelvin Torve, purchased contract of infielder Chris Jelic, all from Tidewater of International League.

Pittsburgh - Called up pitchers Doug Bair and Mike York and catcher Dann Bilardello from Buffalo of the American Association (AAA).

San Francisco - Returned outfielder Kevin Bass to disabled list.

BASKETBALL

Denver - Signed guards Clifford Lett and Stevie Thompson.

Detroit - Signed free agent center Tree Rollins.

Houston - Named Ed Schmidt president.

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Re-signed wide receiver Stacey Bailey, tight end Troy Sadowski and safety Elbert Shelley off waivers; placed on injured reserve tackle Reggie Redding, wide receiver George Thomas, safety Tim Gordon and running back Mike Pringle.

Chicago - Placed linebacker Dante Jones and wide receiver Glen Kozlowski on injured reserve; recalled wide receivers Tom Waddle and Quintin Smith off waivers.

Cleveland - Signed safety Felix Wright; signed free agent defensive back/kick returner Stefon Adams; placed cornerback Mark Harper, defensive lineman Tom Gibson and receiver Lawyer Tillman on injured reserve.

Dallas - Signed running back Emmitt Smith, their first-round draft pick, to 4-year contract; recalled running back Timmy Smith and kicker Ken Willis from waivers; placed wide receiver Michael Irvin and guard Jeff Zimmerman on injrred reserve.

Denver - Recalled linebackers Ty Allert and Anthony Thompson and offensive lineman Scott Beavers off waivers; placed linebackers Tim Lucas and Ronnie Haliburton and tackle Brent Parkinson on injured reserve.

Detroit - Recalled running backs Eric Wilkerson and Greg Paterra, wide receiver Mike Farr and defensive back Herb Welch from waivers; claimed defensive back Sheldon White off waivers from NY Giants; placed on injured were defensive backs William Judson and Bruce Alexander, quarterback Erik Kramer, wide receiver Robert Claiborne and defensive lineman Lawrence Peete.

Green Bay - Agreed to contract terms with quarterback Don Majkowski; signed running back Herman Fontenot; cut cornerback Roger Brown, punter Dale Hatcher, wide receiver Flip Johnson, running back Paul Frazier, tight end William Harris, center George Yarno, defensive end Shawn Miller,

linebacker Greg Clark, quarterback Mike Norseth and safety Stan Shiver; placed on injured reserve wide receiver Erik Affholter, linebacker Bruce Paup and defensive end Mark Hall; relinquished rights to nose tackle Jerry Boyarsky; placed cornerback Dave Brown on physically unable to perform list.

Houston - Signed cornerback Patrick Allen to 1-year contract.

Kansas City - Cut safety James Griffin and cornerback Sidney Johnson; placed on injured reserve tight end Jonathan Hayes, wide receiver Fred Jones, tackle Rob Woods and nose tackle Tom Sims.

Miami - Signed guard Roy Foster; claimed linebacker Clifford Charlton off waivers from Cleveland; placed linebacker Barry Krauss on injured reserve.

National Football League - Fined San Francisco owner Edward DeBartolo Jr. $500,000 for 1986 violations of league ownership policies.

New England - Placed on injured reserve tight end Zeke Mowatt, wide receiver Michael Timpson, guards Sean Farrell and Paul Fairchild, tackle Jon Melander and defensive back Ventson Donelson; recalled off waivers tight end Lin Dawson, kinebacker Ed Williams and guard David Douglas; claimed off waivers center Gene Chilton, guard Stan Clayton and defensive end Marion Hobby.

NY Giants - Signed safety Dave Duerson and placed kicker Matt Stover on injured reserve.

NY Jets - Recalled from waivers running back Freeman McNeil, tight end Chris Dressel and linebackers John Galvin and Dan Murray; claimed linebacker Troy Johnson on waivers from Chicago and tight end Doug Wellsandt from Cincinnati; placed on injured reserve linebacker Alex Gordon, wide receiver Dale Dawkins, running back Patrick Egu, tackle Scott Jones and guard Dwayne White; waived tight end Keith Neubert, linebacker Brad Quast and cornerback Anthony Parker.

Washington - Placed quarterback Jeff Rutledge and offensive linemen Mohammad Elewonibi and Ray Brown on injured reserve; recalled safety Clarence Vaughn, wide receiver Stephen Hobbs and linebacker Jon Leverenze off waivers.

HOCKEY

NY Islanders - Re-signed left wing Derek King to a multi-year contract.

NY Rangers - Signed right wing Jody Hull.

New Jersey - Acquired forward Claude Lemieux from Montreal for forward

Sylvain Turgeon.

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TERRE HAUTE, Ind. (SEPT. 4) UPI - BASF Corp., saying it will not wage a long legal battle, Tuesday withdrew its plan for a $150 million automobile paint making facility in Indiana's Vigo County.

The German-based corporation said it had hoped a lawsuit challenging the plant could be settled in its favor quickly. However, a judge has decided to hear the case out, meaning the legalities could drag on for a long time.

''I truly regret that BASF now must abandon consideration of the land at the Vigo County Industrial Park,'' said Jack Wehman, the firm's venture director who has been based in Terre Haute the past two years.

Wehman said BASF would maintain an office in Terre Haute while the firm looks at other possible sites in the Midwest.

''While a small minority might perceive this as a victory, it truly is a loss for the many hard working men and women of the community who were hoping for a better job and a brighter economic future,'' he said.

Although the plant eventually would have employed up to 300 people, it was the target of environmentalists, nearby property owners and others who raised concerns about possible pollution.

The Hoosier Environmental Council claimed the proposed auto paint plant would include an incinerator that would burn more than 22 million tons of waste brought by BASF from other states and more than 13 million tons generated at Terre Haute.

''We don't want the safest plant possible,'' spokesman HEC John Blair said previously, ''because the safest hazardous waste incinerator is still an extremely dangerous proposition.''

Blair contended the issue is political, not regulatory, because 63 percent of the people of the Terre Haute area already have stated in opinion polls that they oppose the plant, despite a massive public relations campaign by BASF.

Terre Haute Mayor Pete Chalos and others supported the proposal as a gain in jobs for the area and a boost for the local economy.

Wehman, in announcing the termination of BASF's effort, praised Chalos and Vigo County Commissioners Jim Adams, John Scott and Jim Diehl because they ''had the courage to stand up for economic development and this project

which they felt was right and good for the community.''

The chemical firm called its incinerator its Midwest Ecology Project, part of the overall plant.

Blair's group contended wastes that would be brought into the county would include heavy metals that are poisons and cannot be destroyed, but only released into the air or placed in a landfill, threatening underground water supplies for a four-county area.

Wehman said he was hopeful other industries would be interested in the Wabash Valley because of its ''workforce, good educational facilities, ample recreational opportunities, forward thinking leaders and the fine quality of life ... ''

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 4) UPI - The Florsheim Shoe Co. will begin selling its products in special display centers in selected Sears, Roebuck and Co. stores and hopes to do 5 to 10 percent of its business at Sears within a few years, company executives said Tuesday.

The decision is intended to get Florsheim's product to a new customer base and does not portend a mass closing of Florsheim's specialty shoe shops, Florsheim President Ronald J. Mueller said.

''We have to make our product convenient to the consumer today - and in the right environment,'' Mueller told a news conference.

Mueller said economic and demographic conditions have conspired against the family-run, neighborhood shoe store, which in the past was the basis of Florsheim's marketing. Suburban malls - many anchored by Sears stores - already have taken the place of those outlets, he said.

Now, he said, the Florsheim specialty shops will co-exist with the displays in Sears stores because they will serve different segments of the market.

The Florsheim displays will be set up within Sears men's footware departments. They will offer and stock about 20 styles of Florsheim shoes and, through an interactive video screen, allow shoppers to view and order other styles.

Florsheim also is training Sears personnel to service customers and the sell the Florsheim line, Mueller said.

Sears and Florsheim are both based in Chicago.

Eric Saunders, senior executive vice president of wearing apparel for Sears, said the addition of Florsheim shoes to the Sears product line furthers the move to offer brand names.

''It enables us to reinforce with our customers that Sears has the goods they want, in the right style and at the right price,'' Saunder said.

Sears retail division has been in flux and under pressure for the past few years. In an effort to regain a competitive edge, Sears recently completed implementation of its ''brand central'' store-within- a-store concept for appliances and home electronics.

Sears and Montgomery Wards also announced last month they had broken off talks about a possible merger of some retail operations, although neither firm would reveal the extent of the discussions.

In addition, Sears is in the process of moving its retail division from the Sears Tower, where Tuesday's announcement was made, to northwest suburban Hoffman Estates, Ill..

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 4) UPI - Despite unprecedented North-South talks in Seoul and a massive U.S. troop buildup in the Persian Gulf, the United States plans to keep troops in South Korea ''as long as there remains a threat'' from the North, a State Department official said Tuesday.

The official, who declined to be identified, also said that despite talks between the Korean prime ministers opening Wednesday - the first such in either capital - tension remains high between North and South Korea, and any permanent settlement involving unification of the two appears far off.

The North-South meeting in Seoul comes at a time when a massive U.S. troop deployment to the Middle East has forced Washington to its first call-up of the military reserves in 20 years to build a 70,000- member force on the ground in Saudi Arabia.

Additionally, the Pentagon has begun moving Cold War forces stationed in Europe to join those from the United States already in the Middle East and hundreds of U.S. warplanes and some U.S. 50 warships massed against the threat of an Iraqi invasion of the Saudi oil fields and to enforce a U.N. embargo against Iraq.

Further, Washington also is facing domestic pressure to reduce its military expenditures in line with a sagging U.S. economy and shrinking Soviet military influence.

The 40,000 to 43,000 U.S. troops stationed in South Korea have been a leading grievance in the North, which has insisted they and their suspected nuclear weaponry be withdrawn before agreements can be reached with the South on nearly any other matter.

But despite the need for troops in the Middle East and the thorn those in South Korea pose for the North, the State Department official rejected the North Korean demand to remove them, saying: ''Our basic position is that our forces will remain in Korea as long as there remains a threat, and as long as there is a desire on the part of the South Koreans for them to remain there.''

An expert on the region said Tuesday that South Korea holds virtually all the cards in its meeting with North Korea, as it works to trade its vast economic and political advantages into reduced tensions both at home and abroad.

The South, preparing for Wednesday's highest-level meeting between the two countries since the end of the 1953 end of the Korean War, needs only be concerned with military balances and scattered domestic protests, said Harold Hinton, professor of political science and international affairs at George Washington University.

While the North, he said, faces serious economic problems, its loss of standing in the deteriorating Soviet bloc, and the possiblity of division in its repressive political system when aging President Kim Il Sung is expected to try to turn over power to his eldest son, Kim Jong- Il.

''The South has every asset, every card in its hand,'' said Hinton, who last visited South Korea in June.

U.S. involvement has been a key issue in relations between the North and South, with more than 40,000 U.S. troops stationed in the South to help balance Seoul's army of an estimated 600,000 to 700,000 men against the North's 1 million-man force.

The State Department spokesman said the U.S. government has supported efforts to peacefully reunify the Koreas and is pleased with plans for this week's meetings in Seoul.

''We hope that this will be the beginning of a fruitful dialogue, since the two Koreas must be the principle actors dialogue leading to the peaceful unification of North and South Korea,'''' the State Department said in a prepared statement.

Hinton agreed with the U.S. position, saying, ''We have to see some concrete progress (in relations) before we could safely'' reduce the U.S.

miltary commitment to Seoul.

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COCOA BEACH, FL (SEPT. 4) UPI - A University of Florida freshman suspected in the slayings of five college students in Gainesville was linked to a sex attack in 1988, Indian River County authorities said Tuesday.

Meanwhile, the suspect's public defender, James Russo, said investigators had skirted the law and perhaps broken it in questioning his client for two hours without a lawyer despite the defendant's desire to have one present.

The victim of the 1988 attack, whose name was withheld, identified the suspect, Edward Lewis Humphrey, 18, after seeing his photograph in news reports over the weekend, said Maureen Coogan, records clerk with the Indian River County Sheriff's Office.

Indian River investigators cited ''similarities'' between the 1988 attack and the Gainesville investigation, but would not release specifics.

Based on the victim's statement, Indian River authorities issued a warrant charging Humphrey with armed burglary and attempted sexual battery.

Humphrey already was being held in $1 million bond at the Brevard County Detention Center in Sharpes. He was charged Thursday in Brevard County, southeast of Gainesville, with aggravated battery in the alleged beating of his grandmother, with whom he had lived.

Coogan said the new warrant had not been served, but Humphrey was being detained in connection with the 1988 incident.

A man followed the woman into her home on Sept. 6, 1988, tore her blouse and held a hunting knife to her throat. The woman pleaded with the man not to rape her, and the attacker agreed, but told her to take off her pants, Coogan said.

The spokeswoman said a man identified as Robert L. Anderson Jr. apparently saw the attacker outside the woman's house, Coogan said. Indian River investigators refused to say whether Anderson also had identified Humphrey.

Russo, Humphrey's lawyer, said state investigators talked their way early Sunday past employees of Brevard County Jail and apparently questioned the suspect for two hours despite the suspect's request for a lawyer to be present for further questioning.

''It has certainly been very, very unusual, maybe improper, maybe illegal '' Russo said.

The investigators apparently had obtained a court order authorizing the questioning, Russo said, but did it secretly late Saturday or Sunday, then refused to show the order to jailers. ''I don't know what they asked the judge to do. I wasn't there to argue against it,'' he said.

Authorities have identified Humphrey as a suspect in the spree of killings that has shocked the quiet university town of Gainesville. The bodies of five victims, all college students who lived within 2 miles of each other and within 2 miles of the University of Florida campus, were discovered within a 48-hour period early last week.

Authorities said it appeared the killer or killers forced their way into the victims' apartments and sought out slender young women with brown hair. All the victims fit that discription except one, a young man who was a roommate of one of the women.

Russo refused to give any details about Humphrey's mental state or demeanor, but Brevard County Sheriff Jake Miller said Humphrey had been segregated from other inmates and had exhibited ''psychotic'' behavior.

Russo called the $1 million bond for his client ''exorbitant'' and said he will ask that the state be forced to attempt to justify it at a bond hearing Thursday. ''I think at that point in time they need to stand up and say why he's a danger to the community,'' Russo said. He said in a normal aggravated battery case, Humphrey's bond would probably be set at $2,500 or $5,000.

Authorities in Gainesville barricaded the enterance to Humphrey's apartment last week and searched garbage for evidence, but had not obtained a search warrant to enter the apartment.

''It would seem to me you need some amount of probable cause to get a search warrant, and the fact that they haven't obtained a search warrant indicates they don't have probable cause,'' Russo said.

Meanwhile, University of Florida officials in Gainesville estimated that about 80 percent of the university's student body returned to classes Tuesday despite police warnings that the killer may still be on the loose.

''We have no way of getting an accurate measurement for how many of our students are back,'' university spokesman Larry Humes said. ''We've done some spot checking in class to get some feel for attendance. What we're getting is a majority of our students are back. I've heard 80 percent or plus.''

The victims in the University of Florida slayings were Christina Powell, 17, of Jacksonville, Sonya Larson, 18, of Deerfield Beach, Christina Hoyt, 18, of Gainesville, Tracy Paules, 23, of Palm Springs North and Manuel Taboada, 23, of Carol City.

Larson and Powell were found stabbed to death in their apartment Aug. 26. Hoyt was found shortly afterward. All three had been stabbed and their bodies mutilated. The others also were stabbed to death.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 4) UPI - The presumably leak-free shuttle Columbia's countdown ticked smoothly into the night Tuesday, setting the stage for fuel loading Wednesday and blastoff before dawn Thursday on a long-delayed astronomy flight.

Running more than three months behind schedule because of a hydrogen fuel leak, Columbia's seven-man crew is scheduled to thunder away at 1:20 a.m. EDT Thursday, one week after the ship was grounded because of trouble with an on-board telescope.

Few shuttle crews have had as much trouble getting off the ground as Columbia's, but NASA test director Albert Sofge said Tuesday the orbiter's third countdown in as many months was proceeding smoothly, with an 80 percent chance of good weather at launch time Thursday.

''Everybody's very comfortable. The firing room's very calm and we're just proceeding down with the count,'' Sofge told reporters. ''It's business as usual.''

Engineers tested the spaceplane's flight control system Tuesday and made preparations for the make-or-break fuel loading procedure Wednesday afternoon that will determine whether NASA resumes shuttle flights after a four-month hiatus or whether the agency's launchless summer lingers on into the fall.

NASA managers, subjected to intense criticism this summer because of flaws in the Hubble Space Telescope and concern about the feasibility of the agency's space station project, are especially eager to get Columbia into orbit. But they insist the shuttle will not be launched unless it is operating properly.

Still, Columbia's delays have pushed the flight to so late in the summer that another major problem, such as a new fuel leak, likely would force NASA to postpone the mission until after the shuttle Discovery takes off around Oct. 5 on a higher-priority mission to ferry the Ulysses solar probe into orbit.

Engineers began hauling Discovery to launch pad 39B Tuesday night to ready the ship for liftoff amid concern about a coolant system leak that threatens to delay the flight. But launch director Robert Sieck said it was too early to tell what impact the problem might ultimately have on the Ulysses mission.

Columbia's astronauts spent the day Tuesday reviewing their complex flight plans and generally relaxing, sleeping and working in shifts to keep their ''body clocks'' adjusted for around-the-clock research in orbit.

Commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46, plan to spend 10 days in space training a $150 million battery of telescopes on the most violent objects in the cosmos.

By studying the high-energy X-rays and ultraviolet light emitted by such objects, scientists hope to learn more about the titanic forces that shape the universe and power such cosmic enigmas as quasars, supernovae and theorized but-as-yet-unseen black holes.

First, however, Columbia has to get past fuel loading without springing any leaks.

Engineers planned to roll a huge, rotating gantry away from the shuttle at 6 a.m. Wednesday, exposing the black-and-white orbiter to view. Fuel loading was scheduled to begin at 4:47 p.m.

Columbia was grounded the night before its planned May 30 launch when sensors detected hydrogen gas spewing into the shuttle's engine room. Subsequent tests blamed the leak on damaged seals inside a massive 17-inch-wide ''disconnect'' fitting that allows the external fuel tank to be jettisoned in space.

The damage apparently was caused by scratches from tiny glass beads that somehow got into the fitting, possibly during its construction.

Columbia was equipped with a disconnect asssembly taken from the new shuttle Endeavour and, after the shuttle Atlantis was grounded by a similar leak in July, Columbia was cleared for a second launch attempt.

But plans to begin the long awaited ''Astro-1'' mission last Saturday were postponed when the Broad Band X-ray Telescope, one of four making up Columbia's $150 million payload, suddenly stopped sending data to the ground last Thursday.

The telescope was fixed by installing new circuit boards in an electrical

unit used to relay telescope data to the ground and Columbia was cleared for yet another launch attempt.

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WARSAW (SEPT. 4) UPI - The Polish government decided Tuesday to suspend construction on the nation's only nuclear plant, which had been scheduled for completion next year, Polish television said.

Construction of the plant at Zarnowiec, near the northern seaport of Gdansk, drew protests from various ecological groups for years. Protests grew following the disaster at the Soviet Union's Chernobyl nuclear plant in 1986.

''The construction of the plant has been stopped,'' the television said without specifying for how long.

The construction of the plant cost billions of Polish zloties over the last decade.

The decision could worsen the crisis in the Polish energy system, which now relies primarily on low-quality coal, a leading source of pollution in the country.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 4) UPI - With Columbia on track for blastoff Thursday, engineers began hauling the shuttle Discovery to nearby pad 39B Tuesday for takeoff around Oct. 5, amid concern about a possible leak in a cooling system that could delay the flight.

Discovery originally was scheduled to be moved to its launch pad last week but a series of minor problems combined to delay the trip to Tuesday, using up all but one day of the spare time built into the ship's processing schedule to handle unexpected snags at the pad.

The shuttle's glacial, six-hour trip from the Vehicle Assembly Building finally began shortly before 7 p.m. EDT. Engineers plan to have the spaceship in place and connected to critical ground systems well before Columbia's ground-shaking launch at 1:20 a.m. Thursday from nearby pad 39A.

NASA can ill afford any additional delays because Discovery must be launched by Oct. 23 at the latest, or its payload, the European Ulysses solar probe, will be grounded for 13 months because of the requirements of its trajectory to the sun.

But Discovery now appears to be suffering from a leak in one of two critical Freon cooling systems used to control the temperature in the crew cabin and elsewhere in the shuttle.

If a leak is confirmed by additional tests, Discovery's Oct. 5 target launch date would appear in jeopardy and, in a worst-case scenario, the shuttle could miss its tight 18-day launch period, grounding Ulysses until late 1991.

Launch director Robert Seick said in an interview Tuesday it was too early to say whether the issue posed a major threat or not, although he added ''we've got to be somewhat concerned.''

Sieck said data indicates Discovery has lost 10 percent of its coolant over the past 10 days. But it is not yet clear where a leak might be located or what it might take to fix it.

''If it's as simple as a fitting like a flex hose on a payload bay door radiator, then yeah,'' he said, the shuttle could be fixed in time to launch Ulysses during its 18-day takeoff period.

''If (the repair) ends up being something invasive like a line that has a crack in it and it has to be cut out and re-welded ... then that gets real tough,'' Sieck said.

Once Discovery is mounted on the launch pad, its electrical systems will be powered up Wednesday and engineers will check to see if any more Freon has leaked away. If so, the hunt will be on to locate the leak and figure out how to fix it as quickly as possible.

''I think tomorrow, when we get this thing powered up at the pad, we're going to find it's probably dropped another 1 to 2 percent,'' Sieck said.

The Ulysses solar probe is the first spacecraft ever built to orbit the poles of Earth's sun and for months its launch has been one of NASA's highest-priority shuttle flights.

To reach the proper trajectory, Ulysses must first fly past Jupiter, using the planet's titanic gravity to whip it down, out of the plane of the solar system and back toward the poles of the sun.

Because of the positions of Earth and Jupiter, Ulysses must be launched between Oct. 5 and Oct. 23, or the fight will be delayed for 13 months.

NASA managers want to have Discovery ready for launch as close to the opening of its relatively short 18-day launch period, or ''window,'' as possible in case problems crop up that might delay takeoff.

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#90247u2497 09/04/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 4) UPI - At least 2,300 teachers in Michigan, Illinois and Pennsylvania were on strike Tuesday, the traditional first day of school, in walkouts affecting more than 39,000 students.

Salary and working conditions were the main issues.

In Michigan, 1,961 teachers in six school districts with a combined enrollment of 33,550 students were on strike. The strikebound school districts included Saginaw, 900 teachers and nearly 16,000 students; Troy, 700 teachers and 11,000 students; Gwinn, 175 teachers and 2,900 students; Cheboygan, 114 teachers and 2,400 students; St. Ignace, 48 teachers and 900 students and Engadine, 24 teachers and 350 students.

In Illinois, about 110 teachers in the Chicago suburb of Darien went on strike with salary as the main sticking point. The district's 1,721 students attended three days of school last week before the strike was called. Teachers voted in late August to go on strike after their contract expired on Aug. 25.

In the Mount Zion district near Decatur, Ill., 117 teachers remained off the job Tuesday in a strike that began last week. Talks between teachers and the Mount Zion Board of Education broke off Monday, a school official said. The district has about 1,700 students.

But officials said about 2,200 students in Harrisburg, Ill., and 1,000 in Illini Bluffs, Ill., should be back in school Wednesday with a vote by teachers to end their strikes.

In Pennsylvania, York County's Dover School District was struck by 184 teachers, idling 3,172 pupils, and the staff at Ligonier Valley School said it planned to strike Wednesday, when 2,691 students were supposed to return to class despite the threatened walkout.

George Badner, spokesman for the state's largest teachers' union, the Pennsylvania State Education Association, said there is no way to know whether unsettled contracts in 78 other school districts will be resolved without strikes.

''You can't make any kind of prediction or summation this early as to how things are going to go,'' Badner said. ''With strikes, you're going to have to take each one as they come up. They're all local issues.''

Professors at Wayne State University in Detroit also hit the picket lines Tuesday, but university officials said the majority of classes would begin Tuesday for the sbhcol's 30,000 students despite the walkout.

In Philadelphia, Temple University professors walked picket lines instead of teaching in what they vowed could be a protracted strike unless their demands on wages and benefits are met.

Some 100 unionized professors, librarians and other professionals toted picket signs reading ''Temple Unfair to Education.''

The university did not officially cancel classes for its 34,000 students, but many students left their classes after finding that professors were not there.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue Tuesday fined San Francisco 49ers owner Edward DeBartolo Jr. $500,000 for violating league ownership policies but ruled the violations do not give the club a competitive edge.

Tagliabue Tuesday sent a letter to DeBartolo's Youngstown, Ohio, office notifying him of his findings. The 49ers won four Super Bowls, including the last two, since DeBartolo purchased the team in 1977.

Tagliabue fined DeBartolo $250,000 for each of two violations regarding a undisclosed Dec. 30, 1986 transfer of ownership to the DeBartolo Corporation. The NFL prohibits corportate ownership of teams, although the league is reviewing that policy. Under league rules, Tagliabue could have fined the club $500,000 on each count for a total of $1 million.

Tagliabue told DeBartolo the transfer constitued a ''serious breach of the club's commitment to the league in two respects.''

Tagliabue ruled DeBartolo improperly transferred controlling interest in the 49ers to the DeBartolo Corporation, which has substantial non-football business operations; and violated league rules prohibiting NFL owners from operation other professional sports leagues. At the time of the transfer, DeBartolo Jr. was a principal owner and active executive of the corporation, which owned the NHL's Pittsburgh Penguins.

In his letter, Tagliabue said the violations played no part in the 49ers' success on the field and did not warrant the commissioner penalizing the club through loss of draft choices.

''I have considered, as I must, whether the 49ers nwbership transfer affected 'the competitive aspects of the game,''' Tagliabue wrote. ''On this issue, I find the 49ers transfer has not to date resulted in any identifiable competitive advantage that would warrant such a sanction.

''In particular, I find the 49ers' extraordinary playing field success during the 1980s - both before and after the December, 1986 ownership transfer - was achieved on the merits and not by reason of any violation of the league constitution or other policies.''

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#90247u2521 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 4) UPI - A State Department official says despite the first-ever talks between the North and South Korean prime ministers, tensions remain high between the two countries. He says U-S troops will remain in South Korea ''as long as there remains a threat'' from the North.

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The meeting opens tomorrow in Seoul. Today, hundreds of South Korean students hurled firebombs at riot police in Seoul to protest the talks aimed at ending the 45-year division of the Korean peninsula.

South African police say at least 35 people were killed and nearly 100 more wounded in fighting today in the black township of Sebokeng. The death toll includes 11 bodies found after soldiers opened fire on crowds surrounding a hostel for migrant workers.

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The fighting in Sebokeng and two eastern townships near Johannesburg stepped up as President F-W de Klerk made a surprise visit to Soweto. It was his first trip into a black township since his election as president one year ago.

Federal aviation officials in Alaska say two people were killed and eight injured when a twin-engine plane crashed at the Yukon River village of Kaltag. The accident occurred last night. Kaltag is about 325 miles west of Fairbanks.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 4) UPI - The American Friends Service Committee Tuesday became the first religious organization in the United States to call for a halt to the U.S. buildup of military forces in the Persian Gulf.

The Quaker group urged President Bush instead to take the lead in diplomatic efforts to end the crisis, which began Aug. 2 with the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, and recommended that U.S. forces be replaced in the region by an Arab or United Nations peacekeeping presence in the meantime.

Quakers are known for their pacifist convictions, and was one of the first religious organizations to oppose the Vietnam War.

''The AFSC supports the U.N. call for Iraqi withdrawl from Kuwait,'' Chairman Stephen Cary said. ''This call would carry greater weight, I believe, if the United States were to link it to a matching call for the end of other illegal military occupations in the region.''

Cary said the crisis precipitated by the invasion of Kuwait would have been impossible without the worldwide arms trade, and he urged the United States to take the lead in ending that trade.

''Today's crisis provides us with a fresh opportunity to turn about, to replace the politics of war with the politics of peace,'' Cary said.

U.S. churches have been cautious in their reaction to the Persian Gulf crisis, generally condemning the Iraqi invasion but urging the Bush administration to go slowly and to use international organizations in response to the situation.

Last week, the presidents of two major Protestant denominations - the United Church of Christ and the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) - wrote Bush saying, ''We believe that restraint by the U.S. and other nations in responding to the Iraqi aggression in Kuwait is essential.''

They urged the administration to ''look increasingly at the United Nations for an appropriate response'' and said they were concerned that ''the continuing buildup of an already massive military presence in the Middle East will hamper these efforts and exacerbate tensions.''

The two leaders also were critical of some of the elements of the sanctions imposed against Iraq, saying, ''We urge that food and medical supplies not be withheld from Iraq's civilian population.''

The National Conference of Catholic Bishops, representing the nation's 55 million Roman Catholics, has issued two statements on the crisis, one in early August and the other on Aug. 30.

Neither statement urged particular policy actions but did label the Iraqi invasion ''devoid of provocation or any justification'' that poses ''a severe threat to international peace.''

Noting Bush's request for prayers, the first statment responded to that call, and in the second, Archbishop Daniel Pilarczyk of Cincinnati, president of the bishops conference, urged that those prayers ''also remember ... those men, women and children - Americans and others - who are being held against their will in Iraq and Kuwait.''

In early August, just hours before Bush announced his decision to send forces to Saudi Arabia, the National Council of Churches issued a statement denouncing the Iraqi invasion as an ''unjustifiable act of aggression'' and said it supported ''the demands of the international community for a speedy and complete withdrawal of all Iraqi forces.''

In mid-Augurt the Global Mission Ministry Unit Committee of the Presbyterian Church (USA) said it concurred with statements by other religions bodies - including the World Council of Churches, the National Council of Churches and Churches for Middle East Peace - in criticizing the Iraqi action.

And both Catholic and Protestant agencies have called for relief efforts to aid those fleeing Kuwait and Iraq.

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(SEPT. 4) UPI - A judge in Painesville, Ohio, began selecting the jury today in the third trial resulting from the April 1989 cult killings of an Ohio family. Picking the jury for the capital murder trial of Damon Lundgren is expected to stretch into early next week. Lundgren is the son of cult leader Jeffrey Don Lundgren, who was convicted on capital murder charges last week for the slayings.

The Western part of the nation was threatened with flooding today, as a record heat wave baked at least six states. Flash flood watches were posted across parts of southern California, southern Nevada and Arizona as showers and thunderstorms doused those areas. High- temperature records were broken in Meridian, Mississippi... Milwaukee... Mobile, Alabama... Baton Rouge and Lake Charles, Louisiana... Kansas City, Missouri... and Port Arthur, Texas.

An economist says companies wishing to invest abroad should be wary of the euphoria surrounding the thaw in East-West relations. Al Niemi of the University of Georgia says the economic revolution taking place in the Soviet Union will proceed much more slowly than the changes in Eastern Europe. He says Westerners can expect greater and quicker returns on their investments by looking first to the Soviet satellites... such as East Germany.

Chile's former Marxist President Salvador Allende was given a formal funeral today in Santiago... almost 17 years after he was killed in a coup. Allende's body was exhumed from an UNmarked grave 70 miles west of Santiago and a brief ceremony was held, before the coffin was taken to its new place in the capital. The nation's military and other right-wingers voiced opposition to the ceremony.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (SEPT. 5) UPI - Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Samphan has agreed to reverse a decision to stay away from Cambodian peace talks due to start in Jakarta, Indonesia, Thai Foreign Ministry sources said Wednesday.

The sources said a senior Thai Foreign Ministry official met Khieu Samphan Tuesday to persuade him to change his plans to avoid the talks that are to start Thursday.

The Khmer Rouge could not be contacted to confirm the account.

The change of heart could save the talks from degenerating into an inconsequential, low-level meeting.

On Tuesday Khieu Samphan issued a statement saying he and his delegation would not participate in the talks unless Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen also attends.

Hun Sen said he would not participate unless top resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk joins the negotiations meant to set up a joint council and to consider a comprehensive U.N. peace plan.

In Beijing Tuesday, Sihanouk rejected Hun Sen's proposal that he and Sihanouk attend the Jakarta talks as equals, an arrangement that would increase the Cambodian government's influence at the expense of the resistance.

Sihanouk reiterated the resistance position that each of the three rebel groups and Hun Sen's Hanoi-backed government must have equal status in four-way talks.

''The National Cambodian Resistance shall only accept the formula of four Cambodian factions, each perfectly equal to the others,'' said statement, carried by China's official Xinhua news agency.

A spokesman for Sihanouk said the prince planned to attend the talks at a later stage if progress were made.

The only leader to arrive in Jakarta so far has been Son Sann, the leader of the Khmer People's National Liberation Front, which is allied with Sihanouk and Khieu Samphan.

''I pray to God for those who were the obstacles to the Indonesian efforts to be this time understanding enough to allow the present informal

meeting to be a success,'' Son Sann said in a statement delivered upon his arrival.

Son Sann said he had appealed to Hun Sen to attend the talks despite Sihanouk's absence.

An Indonesian official said the talks would go on regardless whether the leaders attended.

The disputes among the Cambodian factions threatened to derail a peace process that has brought together China and the Soviet Union - the major backers of the opposing sides - behind the U.N. plan.

That U.N. plan, worked out by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, envisions a major U.N. supervisory role in an interim administration headed by the joint council.

It also provides for disarmament of all forces, an end to outside aid and a national election.

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GREEN BAY, WI (SEPT. 4) UPI - Quarterback Don Majkowski agreed to a one-year contract with the Green Bay Packers Tuesday that could be worth more than $2 million through incentive clauses.

Majkowski, 26, who originally asked for $2.8 million a year, would be in Green Bay Wednesday to sign the contract and end a 45-day holdout, Packer spokesman Lee Remmel said.

One of Majkowski's agents, Randy Vataha of Boston, said the contract had a base salary of $1.5 million, but could be worth more than $2 million if all incentive clauses were reached.

''It's very close to where we felt it might finish, really it is,'' Packers President Bob Harlan said. ''I think that both sides should be very pleased with it, really, and now let's move forward and see what we can get accomplished.''

Majkowski, the last holdout on the Packers' roster, was named to United Press International's All-NFC second team last year. He completed 58.9 percent of his passes with 27 touchdown passes and 20 interceptions, leading the team to a 10-6 record.

Coach Lindy Infante said second-year quarterback Anthony Dilweg will start the season opener Sunday against the Los Angeles Rams at Lambeau Field. The Packers were expected to seek a two-week roster exemption from the NFL

for Majkowski.

''Certainly, it's good to have everybody in camp now,'' Infante said. ''We can go on with the rest of our lives and quit worrying about things that are insignificant to what we're trying to do and that's to win that championship.

''We're really happy to have it done,'' Infante said. ''I'm glad it's over with so maybe this is the last time we have to talk about it.''

Negotiations with Majkowski resumed Tuesday with the sides $400,000 apart. Majkowski was upset the Packers did not offer a more substantial long-term contract, said Bob Woolf, Majkowski's other agent.

''I'm pleased for Don, but it didn't have to go like this,'' Woolf said. ''It was totally unnecessary. We shouldn't have had to been put through all of this.

''It's reasonably fair. I'd like to hear - if he has a great year - what their excuse is going to be next year. It's fine, really. I'm happy, Don's happy. I think they finally realized that he (Majkowski) just wasn't going to play at what they were offering,''

Majkowski received $400,000 in base salary last year and about $170,000 in performance bonuses. Those incentives were based on statistics such as touchdown passes, yards and passer rating.

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#90247u2698 09/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - Lost among the hoopla and hysteria that has greeted Jennifer Capriati's debut is the trivia that Mary Joe Fernandez remains the youngest player ever to win a match at the U.S. Open.

She was 14 years and one month in 1985 when she defeated Sara Gomer in a first-round match.

On Tuesday, Fernandez registered another significant victory, outlasting Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere 6-2, 2-6, 6-1 to become the first semifinalist at this year's Open. She never before made it past the third round.

To Fernandez, who turned 19 a month ago and graduated from high school only last year, the victory felt ''fantastic. I'm really ''year, th

Fernandez, the eighth seed, recalls vividly the reception she received as a 14-year-old.

''I remember, I remember, it wasn't that long ago,'' she said. ''I

remember it being a lot of fun, and it still is. Playing against people like Martina (Navratilova), Chris (Evert), you've grown up watching them on TV and then going to Wimbledon, the U.S. Open, they're big thrills.''

Fernandez will play fifth seed Gabriela Sabatini, who out-lasted unseeded Leila Meskhi of the Soviet Union 7-6 (7-5), 6-4 Tuesday night in 2:29, the longest two-set match of the women's tournament.

Sabatini fought off two set points in the first set and rallied from a 5-2 deficit in the tie-breaker. Meskhi, ranked No. 21, was seeking to become the first unseeded player in 14 years to reach the women's semifinals.

The 10-game second set featured seven service breaks. The athletic Argentine won the match by breaking Meskhi in the final game at 30, the Soviet sending a forehand approach shot wide.

''In this kind of match, you have to be very patient,'' said Sabatini. ''It was a long match. I had to be mentally pretty tough.

''Today, she showed she is a very tough player. She didn't miss a ball,'' said Sabatini. ''The difference was I played better on the big points.''

The semifinal bracket will be completed Wednesday with Steffi Graf, the two-time defending champion and No. 1 seed, playing No. 12 Jana Novotna and No. 4 Zina Garrison going against No. 6 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario.

Maleeva-Fragniere, the No. 9 seed, was coming off her major upset of Navratilova,

''I'm not sure if it's the win against Martina that was the problem today, but I was so nervous and couldn't find the way to put her under pressure '' said Maleeva-Fragniere, whose voice was breaking and who appeared near tears.

''I'm so disappointed that I lost because I felt I really could have won that it's difficult to talk. I blame only myself right now. I don't put it on her game, it was my serves, my strokes. I thought I was really prepared. Physically, I'm not tired.''

Fernandez, loser in this year's Australian Open final to Graf, started strong on a soft, sunny afternoon, racing to a 4-0 lead. Maleeva-Fragniere won the next two games to cut her deficit in half, but Fernandez broke at love and held at 15 to end the set in a half hour.

The second set was a virtual carbon copy of the first, except that this time it was Maleeva-Fragniere taking the first four games and the last two.

Maleeva-Fragniere held serve to open the deciding set and had a break

point in the second game, but was unable to convert. Fernandez then broke at love in the third game, withstood another break point against her in the fourth, and was untouchable the rest of the way.

''My game plan was to play aggressive and come in when I could,'' said Fernandez, who was more comfortable from the baseline but still ventured forward on 35 occasions. ''Even in the second set I felt I was in control.''

Maleeva-Fragniere, stopped in the quarterfinals of the Open four of the last five years, commented, ''It's very hard to know what happened in the third set. I was feeling fine and then the match was over.

''It's a lesson and hopefully there will be another time I'll be in the quarterfinals.''

Fernandez, who lives in Miami, has endured a series of frustrating injuries this year, causing her to retire from three of her previous six tournaments. Among the aches and pains have been tendinitis in her right shoulder, a pulled hamstring, a sore back and a tear of the inside cartilage in her right knee.

''It was frustrating,'' she said. ''The times I'd be playing I'd be playing well, enjoying myself, getting a lot of confidence ... then I'd have to start all over again.''

With the early exits of Navratilova and Monica Seles, the second and third seeds, the rest of the field will be hard put to prevent Steffi Graf from annexing a third consecutive Open crown.

Graf's combined record against the seven other quarterfinalists is 58-6, including 8-0 against Jana Novotna, her opponent Wednesday.

Of course, the unexpected always is a possibility. In the semifinals, Graf could go against Zina Garrison or Arantxa Sanchez Vicario. She has a combined 13-3 mark against them, but lost to Sanchez Vicario in the 1989 French Open and to Garrison in this year's Wimbledon semifinals.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Gerald D. Murphy, chairman of the board of ERLY Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:ERLY), announced Tuesday that the board of directors had authorized the issuance of a 10 percent stock dividend to all shareholders of record as of Sept. 14, 1990, with the distribution of shares to be made Oct. 13, 1990.

Murphy stated that the 10 percent stock dividend is continuation of the

company's dividend policy instituted in 1986.

Murphy also stated, ''Sales in our Comet Rice subsidiary continue to be strong despite the uncertain conditions in the Middle East. In addition, our Chemonics subsidiary is having an excellent second quarter as a result of numerous forest fires in the Western United States.''

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Jay Jacobs Inc. (NASDAQ:JAYJ) Wednesday announced that sales for the month of August 1990 increased approximately 18 percent to $11.8 million from $10.0 million in August 1989.

Sales in comparable stores increased 7 percent for the month. For the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, sales increased 25 percent from $46.7 million to $58.3 million, while sales in comparable stores increased 14 percent for the same period.

Jay Jacobs sells fashion forward merchandise to young men and women through its 186 apparel stores located principally in regional shopping malls in 11 Western states and three Midwestern states.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. Wednesday announced that John H. Hart has been named vice president and chief technical officer.

In this position, Hart will be responsible for providing strategic engineering direction and development decisions for new products and technologies. He will also lead the creation of a European research and development center for the company.

Reporting directly to Les Denend, executive vice president of product operations, Hart will join 3Com's operating committee, the management team responsible for day-to-day operations, in addition to participating on the product operations executive staff.

Prior to joining 3Com, Hart was assistant vice president of network products and vice president of engineering and advanced development at

Vitalink Communications Corp. During his 7 years at Vitalink, Hart managed the groups responsible for developing and maintaining products such as bridges, routers and network management workstations.

Additionally, Hart was the chief architect and manager of the groups responsible for developing the industry's first remote bridge products.

Prior to his tenure at Vitalink, Hart held various executive-level positions with Control Data Corp., South Central Bell and Southern Bell. In these positions he was a principal contributor to design and strategy for network architectures and networking products.

John Hart received a bachelor science degree in mathematics from the University of Georgia in Athens, Ga., in 1969. Currently he is active in committees of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE) devoted to developing the IEEE 802 networking standards.

3Com Corp. is a leading independent global data networking company, providing multivendor connectivity that spans organizations and businesses worldwide. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports networking systems based on industry standards and open systems architecture.

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PALM DESERT, CA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - StratAmerica Corp. announced that its ''Field of Dreams'' Baseball and Sports Memorabilia Division will start to market its authenticity guarantee on certain sports cards and collectibles sold in its retail stores starting this fall.

Presently, ''Field of Dreams'' has one retail location in Palm Desert with approximately ten new locations presently identified for southern California shopping malls.

Sam D. Battistone, StratAmerica's president, said, ''We believe the authenticity guarantee on all appropriate sports cards and collectibles sold by ''Field of Dreams'' will provide collectors an added degree of confidence as they build their collections.

''In the past collectors had to rely on the credibility of an individual collector or store where the item was purchased. Normally this ''guarantee'' was based on a verbal commitment explaining the historical record of the autograph, card or other collectable.''

Battistone added, ''One of the primary purposes of the authenticity guarantee is to provide all collectors, but primarily beginning and intermediate collectors, the assurance that they are buying an original. We see sports card collecting as a hobby and people should not have to worry about the authenticity.''

Also ''Field of Dreams'' guarantees that card packs or boxes of cards have not been searched to remove the most valuable cards. Other retail organizations in the industry have been unwilling to provide this assurance in writing.

It is estimated by leading industry publications that the baseball memorabilia and collectibles market currently exceeds $2.5 billion annually and is rapidly growing. StratAmerica intends to market sport memorabilia for many other sports including baseball and basketball because of their increased popularity, through the ''Field of Dreams'' stores.

StratAmerica previously owned the Utah Jazz Basketball franchise of the National Basketball Association (NBA).

StratAmerica's stock is traded on the NASDAQ system in the over-the-counter market with the symbol STCO.

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DENVER (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Hamilton Oil Corp. Wednesday announced the declaration of its regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.4875 per share on its Series A preference stock.

The dividend will be paid on Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Sept. 14, 1990.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Horizon Air, a subsidiary of Alaska Air Group Inc. (NYSE, PSE), reported Wednesday that its August traffic increased 15 percent to a record 35.6 million revenue passenger miles (RPMs) from the 31.0 million flown a year earlier.

The passenger load factor (the percentage of available seats occupied by fare paying passengers) for the month was 54.6 percent, compared to 57.4 percent in August 1989.

The airline carried an all-time high 182,510 passengers in August. These passengers represent a 15 percent increase over the 158,064 carried in August 1989. Capacity during the month was 65.1 million available seat miles (ASMs), compared to 54.0 million in August 1989.

For the eight months ended Aug. 31, 1990, revenue passenger miles totaled 234.9 million, a 14 percent increase from the 206.9 million recorded a year earlier. The passenger load factor for the eight months ended Aug. 31, 1990, was 49.6 percent, down from 52.5 percent for 1989.

Capacity (ASMs) for the eight months ended Aug. 31, 1990, increased 20 percent to 474.0 million, up from 393.9 million flown in 1989. The airline carried 1,193,416 passengers through August 1990, up 15 percent from the 1,039,993 in 1989.

Horizon serves 34 cities in five states and Canada.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Horizon Air announced Wednesday that it will increase service from Bellingham, Eugene and North Bend starting Sept. 9.

The increased service includes the following:

-- Bellingham: A seventh flight to Seattle will be added, leaving Bellingham at 4:25 p.m. The 7:35 a.m. Seattle flight, currently flown with an 18-seat Metro III, will be changed to a 37-seat Boeing-de Havilland Dash 8.

-- Eugene: A fifth Seattle non-stop will be added, leaving Eugene at 7:30 p.m.

-- North Bend: The 5:10 p.m. Portland flight that currently makes one stop in Eugene will be changed to a non-stop leaving North Bend at 4:35 p.m. Southbound from Portland to North Bend, the 3:25 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. flights will be changed from one stop to non-stop, leaving Portland at 3:20 p.m. and 5:45 p.m., respectively.

Horizon Air serves 34 cities throughout five Northwest states and British

Columbia. Horizon and Alaska Airlines are wholly owned subsidiaries of Alaska Air Group Inc.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Wednesday announced that it has signed an agreement with ACCESS Graphics of Boulder, Colo., under which ACCESS will distribute Sun's workstations and servers to approximately 200 Sun value-added resellers who sell into technical markets.

ACCESS will become Sun's first master reseller in the United States; Sun previously supplied its products directly to its VARs.

This agreement, along with changes announced today to Sun's VAR program, reflect significant shifts in Sun's channel strategy. For example, Sun recently established a National Value-Added Dealer channel to help penetrate the commercial market and will be selling its systems through approximately 200 NYNEX, MicroAge and Intelligent Electronics outlets.

Under the agreement with Sun, ACCESS Graphics will offer workstations and provide training and support to smaller resellers in the United States only. These firms are authorized by Sun to sell into CAD/CAM and other technical markets.

ACCESS will also act as Sun's distributor to smaller companies that currently fall under Sun's OEM contract, such as independent software developers who resell their applications on Sun workstations.

According to Joe Roebuck, Sun vice president of U.S. sales: ''By creating a master reseller distribution channel, Sun will be in a better position to service smaller resellers. In the past, it's been difficult for us to offer quick turnaround of small-quantity orders.

''ACCESS, by contrast, specializes in one- and two-day delivery. ACCESS already supplies CAD products to a majority of our resellers and has an excellent reputation for serving the CAD/CAM/CAE market.''

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The summer of 1990 marks the first anniversary of an unexpected automotive phenomenon: Miata Mania.

Even before the roadster's introduction in July 1989, an owner's club had been formed by those waiting to purchase the car. Not long after its arrival, the Miata captured an unprecendented number of awards and accolades -- as well as the hearts and imaginations of more than sports cars enthusiasts.

Now, one year later, the mania continues. On Aug. 17-19, 1990, Mazda celebrated the one-year anniversary of the roadster at the Monterey Historic Automobile Races at the Laguna Seca Raceway.

The Monterey Historic Races are recognized as the country's largest gathering of vintage and classic sports and racing cars -- and as such, proved to be a suitable backdrop for a celebration of the Miata's first outstanding year.

Mazda invited members of several chapters of the Miata Club of America, as well as members of the RX-7 club, to take part in three days of hospitality at the Raceway. The clubs' grand turnout helped the manufacturer assert its role as the world's largest manufacturer of sports cars.

Also present were those responsible for making the Miata a reality: Mazda Research and Development of North America (MRA) chief designer Tom Matano; assistant chief designer Mark Jordan; and manager, product planning, Bob Hall.

The three Mazda designers officiated a cake-cutting ceremony of a one-half scale Miata look-alike cake -- after which the crowd broke into a spontaneous chorus of ''Happy Birthday'' for the one-year-old roadster.

The enthusiasm at the cake-cutting ceremony was only one example of the Miata Mania evident throughout the weekend's activities. More than 80 Miatas formed a common ''Miata Corral'' at the Raceway, many sporting personalized license plates revealing their owners' devotion: LV CRVS, MIATAGO, LILAPUT, and MIATA O.

Owner Pete Paterson of Los Angeles brought his blue Miata customized with a yellow racing stripe -- and a red tongue hanging out of the oval front air intake.

In addition to the activities at Monterey, several other celebrations are taking place across the country to celebrate the first anniversary of the MX-5 Miata. The events, which continue throughout the summer, are sponsored by the Miata Club of America as well as various dealers and enthusiast groups.

Will Miata Mania continue? The people responsible for the Miata's existence were pleasantly surprised with the public's initial -- and continuing -- reaction. Sales remain high, with figures rapidly approaching the 50,000 mark since last year's introduction.

And as the Miata enters its second year on the market, Mazda plans few product changes. Silver Stone, a new metallic exterior color, now joins the red, white and blue trio originally offered, and new colors continue to be investigated. An automatic transmission option is now available, and for 1991, an optional four-wheel anti-lock braking system can be specified.

Hardtops, originally available only in red, can now be purchased in blue and white.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Tesseract Corp. announced its continued support for IBM's SAA(a) strategy with its Human Resource Management Systems for IBM DB2(a) and OS/2 EE environments.

In addition to its product line of HRMS application software, Tesseract currently markets the industry's first HR cooperative processing workstation for human resource management, HRMS Intuition, and the first HR Expert System set of application capabilities, the HRMS Executive Decision Series.

Technical details of Tesseract support for SAA strategy Support for: SAA Delivery Manager

Tesseract plans to take full advantage of IBM's SAA Delivery Manager (a). This will allow Tesseract customers to deliver their applications directly from their IBM host to their workstation processors through the electronic delivery services provided by SAA Delivery Manager.

This means that Tesseract users will be able to electronically select their applications from their workstation, and will then be able to extend

this service for use in installing, maintaining and upgrading their software when new Tesseract versions for their cooperative platforms become available. APPC/MVS

Tesseract takes full advantage of APPC/MVS within the DB2 and OS/2 EE environments to allow for peer-to-peer cooperative processing between the workstation, LAN server and host processor applications.

Headquartered in San Francisco, Tesseract Corp. is a leading supplier of human resource management systems for IBM DB2 and OS/2 cooperative environments. Customers include over 30 percent of the top Fortune companies.

In addition to its DB2 version, Tesseract currently markets the industry's first cooperative processing workstation application for human resource management, HRMS Intuition, and the first HR Expert System set of application capabilities, the HRMS Executive Decision Series. Tesseract is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Prudential Insurance Co. of America and an IBM Business Partner for SAA.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint and American Healthcare Systems (AmHS), one of the nation's largest healthcare alliances, have signed a major three-year agreement valued at more than $36 million.

The contract calls for US Sprint to design and implement a Virtual Private Network (VPN) linking all of AmHS' nearly 1,100 facilities across the U.S. as well as providing public payphone, patient calling and employee benefit-related services.

Deborah Kloman, Project Manager of Telecommunications for AmHS, said, ''Our contract with US Sprint will benefit our shareholder's facilities by providing the most modern and efficient long-distance network available at very competitive prices.''

American Healthcare Systems represents facilities in 45 states and Washington D.C., with combined revenues of over $18 billion. AmHS operates one of the nation's largest healthcare group purchasing programs and is involved in a healthcare venture capital fund, liability insurance, a national research and educational institute, a capital finance corporation

and a wide range of healthcare businesses.

John Polumbo, vice president of the Pacific area, said, ''When an organization with the reputation and geographic diversity of American Healthcare Systems selects our services, we take that as a confirmation of the excellence and innovation US Sprint has worked to build into our people, our network and our products. We are extremely pleased to welcome AmHS to our growing list of major customers.''

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City, Mo.

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DETROIT (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Wednesday announced a two-year $2.2 million agreement with Fireman's Fund Mortgage Corp. of Farmington Hills, Mich., the nation's second-largest mortgage banker.

Terms of the agreement call for US Sprint to provide Network WATS, US Sprint's multiple-location WATS product, on a nationwide basis.

''US Sprint had the functionality we needed and provided us with the cost-effective service we desired,'' said Donald Boisvenue, associate vice president of Technical Services with Fireman's Fund Mortgage Corp.

''US Sprint is very pleased to add a mortgage industry leader like Fireman's Fund to our customer list,'' said Richard C. Smith, president of National Markets for US Sprint. ''Their decision to choose US Sprint is a further indication of the quality of our fiber-optic network and our mutual commitment to providing the service that best fits their customer's needs.''

Fireman's Fund Mortgage Corp., with more than 50 branches nationwide, has a servicing portfolio of $32 billion and more than 500,000 customers.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint announced Wednesday the signing of a three-year telecommunications agreement with ITT Corp.

Under the multi-million dollar agreement, US Sprint will provide ITT with a full array of telecommunications services.

ITT is a diversified, multinational enterprise engaged principally in nine products and service businesses. ITT also owns a 30 percent interest in Alcatel NV, a joint venture with CGE of France.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City, Mo.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Wednesday announced a two-year $78 million contract to provide a complete package of telecommunications services to National Carriers' Buyers Network (NCBN) of San Jose, Calif., which represents a group of small-to-medium size regional carriers throughout the United States.

The US Sprint services will be used by the NCBN firms to supplement their own regional networks and provide expanded service offerings to their customers.

''This contract gives our member firms a full range of services, an extensive business development support program and significant volume discounts,'' said Larry Davis, president of NCBN and Biztel, a small facilities-based inter-exchange carrier in San Jose, Calif.

NCBN firms typically serve specific regional areas with their own switches circuits and service offerings. Three years ago, Davis and NCBN vice president Jim Smith, president of Execulines of Sacramento, Calif., anticipated the need for small carriers, faced with intense competitive pressures, to become organized.

''US Sprint customized this package of services expressly to meet the needs of NCBN members,'' said Gary Nelson, vice president of the carrier services division of US Sprint's intermediaries marketing group. ''It should help them to be more competitive in the marketplace.'' US Sprint

services included in the contract are outbound transport, inbound (800), international transport, operator services, digital private lines, conference calling and customized FONCARDs.

The US Sprint intermediaries marketing group was formed in 1989 to encourage and support third party selling through exclusive contractual agreements that authorize sales agents to act as independent contractors.

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KINGWOOD, TX (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Yesterday the board of directors of Enex Resources Corp. (NASDAQ:ENEX) declared a dividend distribution of one common stock purchase right (a ''right'') for each outstanding share of the company's common stock.

Each right will entitle shareholders to buy one share of common stock at an exercise price of $12. The rights will be exercisable only if a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of the company's common stock or announces a tender offer, the consummation of which would result in ownership by a person or group of 20 percent or more of the common stock.

The rights are designed to assure that all of Enex Resources' shareholders receive fair and equal treatment in the event of any proposed takeover of the company, to guard against partial tender offers, open market accumulations and other abusive tactics to gain control of the company without paying all shareholders a premium value and to enable all of the company's shareholders to realize the long-term value of their investment.

Gerald B. Eckley, president and chief executive officer of Enex Resources Corp. stated, ''The rights will not prevent a takeover, but should encourage anyone seeking to acquire the company to negotiate with the board prior to attempting a takeover.''

Eckley added that while the board is not aware of any takeover threat or effort to acquire control of the company, it believes that in the current environment the rights represent a sound and reasonable means of safeguarding its shareholders' interests.

If the company is acquired in a merger or other business combination transaction, each right will entitle its holder to purchase, at the

right's then current exercise price, a number of the acquiring company's common shares having a market value at the time of twice the right's exercise price.

In addition, if a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of the company's outstanding common stock, each right will entitle its holder (other than such person or members of such group) to purchase, at the right's then current exercise price, a number of shares of the company's common stock having a market value of twice the right's exercise price.

Further, at any time after a person or group acquires 20 percent or more (but less than 50 percent) of the company's outstanding common stock, the board of directors may, at its option, exchange part or all of the rights (other than rights held by the acquiring person or group) for shares of the company's stock on a one-for-one basis.

The rights will be issued on Sept. 18, 1990 to shareholders of record on that date and will expire on Sept. 4, 2000. The rights distribution is not taxable to shareholders.

Enex Resources Corp. is in the business of marketing and managing oil and gas investments, and is an independent general partner managing 30 limited partnerships with interests in more than 10,000 oil and gas wells.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Pacific Corp. Wednesday agreed to sell $125 million of floating rate notes, priced at par.

The rate on the notes will reset quarterly at 25 basis points above 3-month LIBOR. Interest will be paid quarterly. The notes mature Sept. 15, 1993, and are noncallable over the life of the issue.

The notes are being issued under a senior debt shelf registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in January 1989. The shelf registration statement is rated AA- by Standard & Poor's Corp. and A1 by Moody's Investor's Service Inc.

The notes will be underwritten by and sold through The First Boston Corp. and Lehman Brothers.

Proceeds from the offering will be used by Security Pacific Corp. for general corporate purposes.

Security Pacific Corp., the Los Angeles-based financial services company with assets of $94 billion, is the nation's 4th largest bank holding company.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Boole & Babbage Inc. Wednesday announced full support of IBM's (a) SystemView (b) systems management strategy for the planning coordination, and operating of heterogeneous, enterprise-wide information systems.

Boole & Babbage intends to make its MainView system performance management and automation products as well as its underlying integrating architecture comply with the guidelines set forth in the SystemView strategy.

''The SystemView strategy confirms what our customers have been telling us -- they want a consistent user interface, shared data, increased integration, and increasing levels of automation,'' said Jack van Kinsbergen, senior vice president and chief technical officer.

Founder of the host performance management industry, Boole & Babbage is a leading developer and worldwide distributor of technically innovative software products for monitoring, managing, and automating data center operations.

In addition to industry-leading performance management applications, Boole & Babbage has also developed enabling technology so that its applications operate with seamless integration, a common user interface, increased sharing of data, and advanced use of expert systems technology.

This technology is expressed through its MainView system. The architecture of the MainView system is a multilayered approach to the integration of system performance and automation management.

It currently consists of a common services framework for communications and data sharing. Van Kinsbergen further commented, ''The MainView products will participate in the SystemView strategy. Our approach enables us to map directly into and to complement SystemView guidelines.''

MainView therefore gives users both a product toolset for today's needs and an architecture for today and tomorrow. Its immediate application is in MVS, CICS, IMS, DB2 (b), and DASD environments, as well as in multivendor networks.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Kern River Gas Transmission Co. Wednesday announced it has awarded purchase orders for compressor units and valves to be used in its natural gas pipeline from Wyoming to California.

''These orders will give us the rest of the major equipment we need to begin construction and put the pipeline into operation,'' noted E.J. Holm, Kern River president. ''We ordered pipe several months ago.''

Solar Turbines Incorporated of San Diego, a division of Caterpillar Inc., has agreed to supply Kern River four 12,600-horsepower turbine compressor units, which will be delivered next summer.

Two of the compressors will be installed at facilities to be built in Muddy Creek, Wyo., one at Fillmore, Utah, and one at Goodsprings, Nev.

In addition, Kern River has placed an order for 66 (36-inch) Cameron weld-in ball valves with Cooper Oil Tool, a division of Cooper Industries of Houston. Delivery of the valves will begin later this year, to coincide with delivery of pipe and the start of construction, Holm said.

Dollar value of the two orders has not been disclosed.

The Kern River pipeline is slated to begin operation in late 1991, with an initial capacity of 700 million cubic feet per day of natural gas.

The Rocky Mountain and Canadian gas brought to California through the Kern River line will be used for enhanced oil recovery, distribution by utilities, production of electricity, cogeneration of electricity and steam, and other industrial applications.

Kern River is a joint venture of units of Tenneco Inc. and The Williams Cos.

Tenneco Inc. (NYSE:TGT) is a Houston-based, diversified company with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, shipbuilding, automotive parts, packaging, chemicals, and minerals.

The Williams Cos. Inc. (NYSE:WMB) of Tulsa, Okla., operates a nationwide digital telecommunications network and more than 25,000 miles of pipelines which separately transport natural gas and petroleum products.

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FREMONT, CALIF. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Interlink Computer Sciences Inc. Wednesday announced plans to extend its products to support access to IBM's Enterprise System/9000 (ES/9000) family of processors under the IBM Enterprise Systems Architecture/390 environment (ESA/390).

IBM announced the ES/9000 family and ESA/390 earlier Wednesday.

Interlink's products give customers transparent connectivity between IBM mainframes and DECnet, TCP/IP, and NFS networks. The company's customer base includes over half of the Fortune 100 companies and over 700 companies worldwide.

As an IBM Business Partner, Interlink has participated in advance reviews of IBM's newly announced products. IBM ES/9000 is IBM's new family of processors, offering the extensive growth and performance benefits of ESA/390.

As Interlink's customers migrate to IBM's new products, Interlink will continue to offer multivendor connectivity solutions, protecting their investment in Interlink products and other vendors' equipment.

IBM also introduced SystemView Wednesday, a new network management architecture which will provide a consolidated view on a single console of information regarding processors, storage, databases, and administrative functions.

Interlink already provides SNS/NETconnect, a product that consolidates management of SNA and DECnet networks through IBM's NetView. Interlink also indicated it will provide products to extend SystemView functionality to other vendors' platforms.

Interlink Computer Sciences creates customer solutions, based on industry standards, that integrate computer networks, applications, data and peripherals. With headquarters in Fremont, Interlink has branch offices and distributors located throughout the United States, Europe, Latin America, and Asia Pacific.

IBM, Enterprise System 9000, ES/9000, Enterprise Systems Architecture/390, ESA/390, SystemView and NetView are trademarks or registered trademarks of IBM Corp.

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CULVER CITY, CALIF. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - MGM/UA Communications Co. Wednesday announced that it has mailed its proxy materials in connection with the special meeting of stockholders to consider and act upon the merger acquisition of MGM/UA by Pathe Communications Corp.

The special meeting will be held on Oct. 2, and the merger is expected to be consummated no later than Oct. 23.

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VANCOUVER, WA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Telecom Inc. (NASDAQ:PTCM) announced Wednesday that the transfer of North-West Telecommunications Inc. from PacifiCorp (NYSE:PPW) to Pacific Telecom was completed on Aug. 31.

Pacific Telecom issued 973,709 shares of common stock valued at approximately $25 million to its immediate parent company, Inner PacifiCorp, in exchange for the shares of North-West. The issuance of shares to Inner PacifiCorp increased its ownership of Pacific Telecom less than one half of one percent. PacifiCorp now beneficially owns 87.1 percent of Pacific Telecom's outstanding common stock.

North-West, a local exchange company in Wisconsin with cellular and publishing subsidiaries, merged with a subsidiary of PacifiCorp on July 31 1990. In the merger, shareholders of North-West received 1.97 shares of PacifiCorp common stock and $4.41 in cash for each share of North-West common stock and Class B common stock held. Pacific Telecom provided $247 million for the purchase of the PacifiCorp shares used in the merger while PacifiCorp provided $25 million in cash through an equity contribution. Pacific Telecom's total purchase price at completion of its acquisition of North-West was $272 million.

Pacific Telecom is a PacifiCorp company

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - MGM Grand Air has signed a letter of proposal and deposited initial payment with Boeing to purchase two of the Seattle-based manufacturer's 757-200 long-range aircraft.

The planned purchase of these new planes, configured to the airline's unique seating arrangement, represents an investment by the airline of more than $100 million.

''We have an ongoing commitment to provide our customers with Grand Class Service now and in the years ahead,'' said Charles L. Demoney, president and chief executive officer of MGM Grand Air.

''These quiet, efficient, high-technology aircraft are central to our plan to keep MGM Grand Air viable and competitive.''

The 757s, introduced in 1982, normally carries 150-230 passengers over medium and long ranges. They are the quietest aircraft in their class and are one of the most fuel-efficient jetliners in the industry. The 757 is the only aircraft of its size approved to serve smaller, noise-sensitive airports due to the aircraft's low noise levels and high-performance takeoff ability.

MGM Grand Air will work with Boeing to create design specifications to give the new aircraft the ambience of an executive jet. The planes will have a redesigned seating configuration along with high-tech avionics, flight-management systems and low-noise characteristics. The jets will also feature gourmet galley service and luxurious amenities for which MGM Grand Air is renowned.

The Boeing planes will eventually replace MGM Grand Air's recently introduced DC-8 Super 62 fleet, allowing those planes to join its Boeing 727 fleet in executive charter service.

MGM Grand Air spend $55 million to purchase and refurbish the DC-8s, investing an average of $162,000 per seat on the 79-seat aircraft to provide passengers with state-of-the-art comforts.

Since it began service three years ago this month, MGM Grand Air has enjoyed unprecedented success providing premium, scheduled airline service at competitive fares. MGM Grand Air provides twice daily, non-stop Grand Class First and Grand Class Coach accommodations on its Los Angeles International to New York Kennedy route in the reconfigured DC-8s.

MGM Grand Air is a transcontinental airline for the executive business travel market. MGM Grand Air, the Marina Hotel, the Desert Inn Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, and the newly announced MGM Hotel and Theme Park are

subsidiaries of MGM Grand Inc.

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FREMONT, CA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - George H. Bruns Jr. has been named chairman of the board of ASCOR Inc., manufacturer and marketer of automatic test equipment for military and commercial avionics and other applications.

Jeffrey Lum, ASCOR president, said Bruns joined the board shortly after the company was founded in late 1989. He replaces Lum as chairman allowing him to devote full time to the presidency.

Bruns was founder and chairman of Systron-Donner Corp., Security National Bank, and president of Envirotherm Illinois Inc.

He is a founder and chairman of Gigatronics Inc. He is a director of Analyte Corp., Peninsula Engineering Group, Sysgen Inc. and Testronics Inc., in addition to operating his own venture capital firm.

Separately ASCOR announced receipt of a contract in excess of $1.2 million from Harris Corp.'s Government Support Systems Division, Syossett, N.Y. ASCOR's equipment is to be used with Harris' Portable Augmentation Test System (PATS), currently being developed for the Canadian Armed Forces.

The initial application is for the Canadian Air Force CF-18 fighter program. Specifically ASCOR will provide the interface switch assembly and digital test electronics subsystem for the Harris system.

Deliveries will begin in early November.

ASCOR is located at 47790 Westinghouse Drive, Fremont, CA 94539. Telephone is 415/490-8919, fax is 415/490-9493.

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ORANGE, CALIF. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Former Orange County Superior Court Judge John L. Flynn Jr. has joined Judicial Arbitration & Mediation Services (J.A.M.S.), an alternative dispute resolution firm with offices throughout California and the Northwest.

He will begin hearing cases immediately.

Judge Flynn comes to J.A.M.S. after eighteen years on the Superior Court bench and two years as a judge with the Central Orange County Municipal Court.

He has extensive arbitration experience, having served as chairman of the Superior Court Arbitration Committee and as a member of the Municipal Court's Arbitration Committee and Mandatory Settlement Conference Department.

Judge Flynn began his law career in Los Angeles in 1958. He served as a Los Angeles deputy city attorney for two years and was a member of the firm of Moss, Lyon & Dunn before becoming a partner in the La Habra, Calif., firm of Lawton, Christiansen & Flynn in 1963. He was appointed to the municipal court bench in 1970 by then-Gov. Ronald Reagan.

Judge Flynn is a graduate of UCLA and received his J.D. from Southwestern University. He has been a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates since 1962.

J.A.M.S. is a private forum for the resolution of civil disputes, offering its services through a panel of over 120 retired judges and justices. J.A.M.S. has 13 offices throughout California, Oregon, and Washington.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. announced that it has recently signed crude oil and natural gas exploration and development agreements with the governments of Argentina and Bolivia.

The contracts involve a total of 5.9 million acres.

Two agreements in Bolivia represent Santa Fe Energy's first operations in that country and will permit exploration and production in the Charco Region near the Paraguay Frontier. Seismic operations are anticipated to begin in March 1991.

The Argentina contract is the 4th Production Sharing Contract Santa Fe Energy has signed with the Argentina government since 1988. The contract authorizes preliminary seismic activity in the Province of Formosa to begin in mid-1991.

Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. is a large independent oil and gas exploration and production company with headquarters in Houston and interests in major fields throughout the United States. Internationally, Santa Fe Energy has interests in several countries including Pakistan, Indonesia, Bolivia and Argentina.

Its stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the sysmbol SFR.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Executive Software, the 33rd fastest growing privately held U.S. company (per Inc. Magazine's 1989 rankings) officially opened its new world headquarters at 701 N. Brand Blvd.

Glendale Mayor Larry Zarian and Executive Software Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Craig Jensen cut the ribbon at the new headquarters, located in the heart of the city's financial mile.

Assisting were David Kluge, Executive Software corporate affairs manager and Karen Jorgensen, Glendale Chamber of Commerce vice president.

Since doubling its size in 1989, necessitating its new quarters, Executive Software has continued to expand. ''We have been successful for three key reasons,'' credited Jensen, ''the marketing of products that companies need and want, the application of the Administrative Technology researched and developed by L. Ron Hubbard and dedicated staff and executives who produce results!''

''After five years as a consultant in the minicomputer industry, I used L. Ron Hubbard's administrative principles which also include vital information on marketing for me to find out what was truly needed and wanted in the field,'' said Jensen.

L. Ron Hubbard's administrative and managerial technologies are available at WISE (World Institute of Scientology Enterprises) which is a membership organization that promotes the use of Hubbard's administrative principles in the business world.

The chamber's Jorgensen added: ''Executive Software has done a superb job of managing its staff growth. To grow from three employees to 124 in three and a half years, without loss in marketshare or profitability is a phenomenal job of managing this key corporate resource.''

Executive Software produces system management software for users of

Digital Equipment Corp. computers. (Digital is the second largest computer company in the world, next to IBM). By developing and producing the highest quality products and delivering the best customer service in its industry, Executive Software has become the most preferred data center software dealer next to Digital (independent survey conducted by Sentry Market Research).

Founded by Jensen in 1981, Executive Software has steadily increased its marketshare. Its major products, DISKEEPER/Plus and I/O Express, have received major awards for excellence from computer industry trade publications.

With distributors currently in 46 countries, executive Software will soon be featured in Inc. Magazine's 1990 ''fastest growing ... '' list.

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NEW YORK (SEPT 5) BUSINESS WIRE - In major news announcements in New York and San Francisco, Quantum Corp. (NASDAQ:QNTM) Wednesday introduced eight new hard disk drives designed for use in two of the computer industry's major growth markets -- laptop, notebook and portable computers, and low-end personal computer systems.

Quantum unveiled the Go-Drive Series of 2-1/2-inch drives, designed for use in battery-powered laptop and notebook computers and for emerging non-computer storage applications such as printers and fax machines. The Go-Drive 40 and 80 provide 42 and 84 megabytes of formatted capacity, respectively, with embedded SCSI or AT-bus controllers.

Quantum also announced the ProDrive Gem Series, a family of small-frame, low-power 3-1/2-inch products intended for portables and low-end desktop personal computers. With 84 and 168 megabytes of capacity, the Gem Series drives are the highest capacity products to date in the quarter-height profile. Like the Go-Drive products, these drives are available with embedded AT-bus or SCSI controllers.

''The Gem Series 3-1/2-inch drives offer the low power consumption and small package size critical to portable and low-end desktop PC applications, and our 2-1/2-inch Go-Drive products clearly establish new standards in performance and capacity for hard drives in the laptop and notebook markets,'' said Stephen M. Berkley, Quantum chairman and chief executive officer.

''We continue to offer new hard disk drive products that meet the

requirements of major computer systems manufacturers and set new standards in the industry as well,'' he added.

Berkley noted that the introduction of these new products brings to 22 the number of new small form factor drives introduced by Quantum in just one year. The announcement follows by less than three months Quantum's extension of the ProDrive family to include 330 and 425 megabyte drives for the desktop workstation market.

''With the eight new products we are announcing today, Quantum now offers the broadest range of small form factor hard disk drives in the industry including both 2-1/2-inch and 3-1/2-inch products, a variety of frame sizes, and capacities from 42 to 425 megabytes.

''Our family of high quality, high performance products addresses market requirements across the board from laptops and portables to low-end PCs, business PCs, and desktop workstations and file servers,'' he said.

Both of Quantum's new product series meet the power, size and storage capacity requirements of the laptop and portable markets while maintaining the superior performance standards and exceptional quality and reliability for which Quantum's ProDrive Series products are known, according to Mark D. Wilson, Quantum's vice president, portable storage products business.

''All of the Gem Series and Go-Drive products feature average seek times of 19 milliseconds plus Quantum's proprietary DisCache for even

faster data access. Based on proven technology from our highly successful ProDrive Series products, these new drives set a new reliability standard for drives to serve the laptop, portable and low-end PC markets.

''They offer MTBF specifications of 80,000 power-on-hours, the highest in the industry for this class of product. They also provide multiple power-saving modes and improved shock resistance, making them ideal for laptop and portable environments,'' Wilson said.

Evaluation units of both SCSI and AT-bus models of the Go-Drive 40 and the 84 and 168 megabyte ProDrive Gem products will be available in January 1991, with volume production planned for March 1991. Evaluation

units of the 84-megabyte Go-Drive 2-1/2-inch SCSI and AT-bus drives will be available in mid-1991 with mass production 60 days later.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - G. Howden Fraser, managing partner of McKenna & Fitting, has announced that Garrett Cecchini and Gerald Niesar have joined the firm as partners effective Sept. 1, along with Gerald F. Ellersdorfer, who will serve as of counsel.

They will practice in the firm's San Francisco office, which has relocated to 595 Market Street, 16th floor, San Francisco, 94105, telephone 415/243-9100.

Cecchini and Niesar bring a wealth of expertise to the firm in the areas of complex bankruptcy, corporate reorganization, partnership joint venture transactions and corporate securities. Ellersdorfer, an acknowledged bankruptcy specialist, was the author of the comments to Article 9 of the California Uniform Commercial Code.

Robert P. Chamness, administrative partner of McKenna & Fitting's San Francisco office, is pleased about the additions because ''it will allow us to bring more depth of service to our network of clients in the Bay Area, Silicon Valley and Pacific Northwest region.'' The San Francisco office will now number 13 attorneys, with a support staff of 12.

The firm recently emerged from the restructuring of McKenna Conner & Cuneo into McKenna & Fitting and McKenna & Cuneo. McKenna & Fitting, based in Los Angeles and also in Washington, D.C., has a national practice in the areas of business, finance, financial institutions, banking, real estate, corporate securities, tax, bankruptcy, ERISA, employment law and all aspects of civil litigation.

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SANTA ROSA, CA. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Vacu-dry Co., one of California's largest apple processors, Wednesday announced net earnings of $915,000, or 55 cents per share, on total revenues of $21,412,000.

These results compare with net earnings of $526,000, or 31 cents per share on total revenues of $25,581,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

The company's year-to-date revenues and earnings were affected by the sale of assets related to its packaged apple juice and applesauce business to Knouse Foods of Peach Glen, Pa. The sale included the ''Apple Time'' and ''Apple Land'' brands, inventories, certain machinery and equipment and

other related equipment. The company retained the right to produce and sell bulk apple juice and apple juice concentrate.

The company recorded a net loss of $191,000, or 11 cents per share, on total revenues of $4,167,000 for the fourth quarter ended June 30. This compares with net earnings of $16,000, or 1 cent per share, on total revenues of $5,744,000 for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1989.

The fourth quarter results reflect a refund from the County of Sonoma, Calif. in the amount of $309,297 (including interest of $27,250) as a refund of disputed property taxes which were paid and charged against earnings in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1989.

As of June 30, the company had an unshipped contract/order backlog of $9,409,000 versus $7,071,000 on June 30, 1989.

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - AST Research Inc. (NASDAQ:ASTA) has appointed Carmelo J. Santoro to its board of directors.

Santoro replaces Phillip D. Matthews, who has served on the board since May 1987. Matthews has resigned to devote more time to his various business interests.

Santoro is currently the president and chief executive officer of Silicon Systems, a Tustin manufacturer of mixed-signal integrated circuits (MSICs) used in disk drive, communications and automotive products. He has been with the company since 1982. Silicon Systems was acquired in May 1989 by Tokyo-based TDK Corp., the world's largest manufacturer of audiotapes, videotapes and ferrite products.

With more than 25 years of experience in high-technology manufacturing companies, the 48-year-old Santoro also serves as outside chairman or director on several boards in the electronics industry. In May 1990, he was named chairman of the board at Ashton-Tate Corp., a leading software company based in Torrance.

Santoro's other board positions include those at Paradigm Technology, a San Jose supplier of SRAM memory chips and Dallas Semiconductor, a Texas-based semiconductor manufacturer.

Prior to Silicon Systems, Santoro served as vice president of the solid-state division of RCA, held several senior-management positions at American Microsystems Inc., a custom integrated-circuits company and was group-operations manager at Motorola Inc.

Santoro earned a doctorate in solid-state physics from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N.Y. and a bachelor of science degree in physics from Manhattan College, Riverdale, N.Y.

His extensive international experience includes active participation in RIMTech (Research Institute for the Management of Technology) and SoCal Ten, both regional networking groups which advance Pacific Rim trade relations. In addition, he serves as American co-chairman of Pacific Technology Roundtable, a forum to cultivate understanding among Japanese, Taiwanese and U.S. high-tech companies.

Santoro will complete the remaining term and stand for re-election at the Oct. 30 stockholder meeting.

AST Research is a leading manufacturer of high-performance personal computers, enhancement and data-communication products.

AST Research corporate headquarters are located at 16215 Alton Parkway, P.O. Box 19658, Irvine, Calif. 92713-9658; phone 714/727-4141; fax 714/727-9355.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - W. Philip Woodward, president and chief executive officer of San Francisco-based Chalone Inc. (NASDAQ:CHLN), Wednesday announced the appointment of William L. Hamilton as executive vice president and chief financial officer.

Hamilton joined the company in 1985 as the CFO and was named vice president of finance and administration in 1986.

''The promotion to executive vice president is intended to reflect Mr. Hamilton's increased role in the general management of Chalone,'' said Woodward.

Prior to joining Chalone Hamilton was vice president of finance for the Norrell Corp., an Atlanta-based company with annual sales of approximately $300 million. He is a graduate of the University of the Pacific in

Stockton, Calif. A native of the Bay Area, he resides in Mill Valley with his wife and three children, and serves on the board of directors of the Marin Community Foundation.

Chalone Inc. produces, markets and sells premium white and red varietal table wines throughout the United States, Europe and the Far East. The company owns and operates Chalone Vineyard in Monterey County, Acacia Winery in the Carneros District of Napa County, Carmenet Vineyard in Sonoma County, and in conjunction with its joint-venture partner, Paragon Vineyard Co., Edna Valley Vineyard in San Luis Obispo County.

Announced in May was a 50 percent interest in Canoe Ridge Vineyard in Washington State. In 1989 Chalone entered into a cross-investment with Domaines Barons de Rothschild, owners of the Bordeaux estates of Chateau Duhart-Milon, Chateau Rieussec, Chateau L'Evangile and general manager of Chateau Lafite-Rothschild.

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ALAMEDA, CA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Ingres Corp., makers of the INGRES Intelligent relational database management system (RDBMS), Wednesday announced shipment of INGRES/Windows 4GL, its fourth-generation language (4GL) graphical programming tool, for the Sun SPARCStation.

The product also will be available for Digital Equipment Corp.'s VAXStation later this month.

INGRES/Windows 4GL dramatically accelerates the creation of software applications on workstations by combining graphical user interface (GUI) editors with an object-oriented 4GL. The visual editors allow developers to build and modify database applications quickly, while the 4GL reduces coding to a fraction of that required by third-generation language (3GL) tools.

''INGRES/Windows 4GL is a major breakthrough for graphic application developers working on advanced workstations,'' said Chris Kenber, executive vice president of sales and marketing.

''Before the introduction of INGRES/Windows 4GL, graphic applications built on workstations could not take full advantage of the hardware's powerful capabilities -- this ground breaking new product starts the real commercialization of the workstation.''

INGRES/Windows 4GL is an open and portable development tool. Applications

created with the product adapt to the ''look and feel'' of the native window system without reprogramming. Support is planned for popular window formats, including Open Look, DEC Windows, OSF/Motif, OS/2, Microsoft Windows, Presentation Manager and Macintosh.

Pricing for INGRES/Windows 4GL for a configuration of two to eight workstation nodes is approximately $1,000 per node.

Ingres Corp. is a world leader in information integration products for mission-critical applications. The company's primary product is the INGRES relational database management system.

Installed on more than 10,000 manufacturing and enterprise-wide commercial systems worldwide, and available on 40 types of computers including PCs and UNIX workstations, the INGRES RDBMS enables organizations to quickly access data spanning a variety of computer systems connected in a network.

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CARACAS, VENEZUELA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Ralph Ungermann, president of Ungermann-Bass, a leading worldwide supplier of computer networking systems to the oil industry, arrived in Venezuela Wednesday to meet with industry and financial leaders.

Ungermann-Bass has installed the most advanced data communications network in South America at the Caracas headquarters of Venezuela's national petrochemical company, Pequiven.

Ungermann-Bass has installed large, international networks for many of the major oil companies. The oil industry overall invested almost $4 billion last year in computer and networking systems in an effort to enhance revenues from the exploration, recovery, shipment and refining of oil.

Most companies in the petroleum producing and refining sector view their computerized information services operations as vital strategic tools with which to compete in the global marketplace.

The Ungermann-Bass fiber-optic network system is the first installation in South America and one of the first in the world that connects a major corporation's information systems over Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI).

The network was jointly designed by Ungermann-Bass and Pequiven's Information Technology Division, and installed by Ingedigit,

Ungermann-Bass' Venezuelan partner. Fiber-optic cable consists of thin strands of glass wire through which intense light is transmitted to carry information on a high-speed network.

This advanced network installation is part of Pequiven's strategy to compete in the global petrochemical industry and develop investment opportunities. The network will help to satisfy Pequiven's increasing needs for high performance and reliability of computing resources. The FDDI network serves all 24 floors of Pequiven's headquarters building via a high-speed fiber-optic link.

Ungermann-Bass' Access/One structured wiring system connects Pequiven's 1,000 workstations, Hitachi and IBM computers and Sun Microsystems graphical engineering workstation computers, using a combination of Ethernet, token ring and Transport Control Internet/Internet Protocol (TCP/IP).

Founded in 1979, Ungermann-Bass Inc. is a worldwide designer and manufacturer of enterprise-wide data networks which allow dissimilar computers to communicate throughout a business organization. Ungermann-Bass is an independent subsidiary of Tandem Computers.

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EMERYVILLE, CA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - ViewStar Corp., a leader in network-based Document Image Processing software, Wednesday announced a major new release of the ViewStar System.

ViewStar Release 2.3, to be shipped in early September, includes many new features as well as a variety of enhancements. New features range from optimized wide area networking capabilities and Windows 3.0 support for retrieval and display of images to predefined application layouts allowing easy modeling of complex scanning and Data Entry workflows. Additionally, ViewStar has completed several "under-the-hood" changes which improve overall system performance and capacity, while providing new tools for systems administration and maintenance.

New features and enhancements are included in all parts of the system. ViewStar's VS DataScan toolkit for building multi-user scanning and data entry workflow applications has also been completely revised and enhanced in Release 2.3.

The toolkit now comes with an extensive set of pre-defined application

layouts which allows users to get started more quickly and can now model much more complex scanning/data entry workflows with multiple input and output queues.

VS DataScan also has inherent 3270 windowing with bidirectional data exchange capacity so that organizations can build image-assisted data-entry applications that tie directly to host computer systems. In addition, VS DataScan workflows can be modeled to include and interface to ViewStar's ICR (Intelligent Character Recognition) Server, to partially or entirely automate the data-entry function.

Release 2.3 also includes major enhancements to ViewStar's VS Admin toolkit to optimize distributed system operations over wide area networks. The software's underlying object-oriented filing system has been extended to support the notion of locality and definition of network ''sites,'' so that document requests can be analyzed to determine if the files should be moved prior to providing user access.

With headquarters in Emeryville, ViewStar was founded and incorporated in February 1986 to develop network-based document image processing software for standard computing environments. Its products are sold directly into banking, financial services, insurance, oil and gas, engineering/manufacturing, pahrmaceuticals and utilities markets both domestically and internationally.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - New Line Cinema Corp. (ASE:NLN) has appointed Michael Lynne as president and chief operating officer, it was announced Wednesday by Robert Shaye, chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

Commenting of Lynne's appointment, Shaye said: ''In naming Michael to the office of president and chief operating officer, our board acknowledges the value of his talent and the potential we believe it promises for our company's growth and its further success.

''Beginning in 1984, as general counsel and board member of New Line, Michael has played an increasingly instrumental role in the company's development. As a full-time member of New Line, I look forward to his continued creative impetus to the company.''

Lynne added: ''Bob Shaye and I have worked together in close collaboration on New Line's behalf for the past five years. I believe that collaboration has contributed to New Line's position as the industry's leading independent motion picture producer and distributor.

Most recently, Lynne was actively involved in New Line's purchase of a significant equity interest in RHI Entertainment Inc., and securing the North American distribution rights to the sequel of ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles.'' He has been a partner with Blumenthal & Lynne, a corporate law firm specializing in entertainment law, since 1971.

Prior to that, he worked with the entertainment law firm of Barovick & Konecky, Esqs., and before that was resident counsel at Embassy Pictures. Lynne is a member of the New York Bar and received his law degree from Columbia University in 1964.

Lynne will be based at New Line's corporate headquarters in New York. He lives in the city with his wife, Ninah, son, Jonathan, and daughter, Elizabeth.

New Line Cinema Corp. is a leading independent producer and distributor of theatrical motion pictures.

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LYNNWOOD, WASH. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Ralph V. Schapler, chairman and chief executive officer of Pioneer Savings Bank, Lynnwood, announced Wednesday that the bank will defer or reduce payments on all loans held by military reservists called to active duty by President Bush.

Pioneer Bank requests that military personnel seeking the loan payment adjustment call Pioneer's Loan Servicing Manager, David Rimmer at 206/771-2525, extension 243.

Pioneer Bank has 17 branches serving King, Snohomish and Island counties and currently services loans in the amount of $811 million.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Sept. 5-- G-III Apparel Group Ltd. (GIII/NASDAQ) today announced preliminary results for the 1990 fiscal year ended July 31.

Final audited results are expected to be available within the next three weeks.

Sales for the year ended July 31, 1990 increased 64% to $162 million from $99 million in Fiscal 1989. While the Company is still reviewing its final operating results, it expects earnings per share within the range of $1.70 and $1.80, an increase which ranges between 30% and 40% above the $1.28 per share earned in Fiscal 1989. Average weighted shares outstanding rose approximately 20% in Fiscal 1990.

Morris Goldfarb, President and Chief Executive Officer noted, ''Although profitability was somewhat lower than originally anticipated, due to pressures in the retailing environment which impacted our margins, we are pleased with the preliminary results of our year end.''

Goldfarb continued, ''We are encouraged by the sales recorded thus far in the first quarter of fiscal 1991, and that our customers are increasing the amount of selling space devoted to leather outerwear.''

G-III Apparel Group designs, manufactures and markets an extensive range of leather apparel including coats, jackets, pants, skirts and other sportswear items. The products are sold under the names G-III, Siena and Cayenne, as well as private labels.

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LONDON (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - NatWest Investment Bank (NWIB), the investment banking subsidiary of National Westminster Bank PLC, and Dai-Ichi Mutual Life Insurance Co. (DML), Wednesday announced the formation of a separately capitalised joint venture company to promote the use of computer based investment models for Japanese equities and derivative products.

The new company, Dai-Ichi Life County NatWest Investment Management Limited (''DaiNat'') will be headquartered in London and will have a capital of 5 million (British pounds), contributed equally by both DML and NWIB. It will be jointly managed by County NatWest Investment Management (CNIM), the investment management subsidiary of NWIB, and DML.

The board of directors will comprise an equal number of representatives from both companies, and the chairman will be Masao Tsuji, the director chief general manager, investmemt headquarters, of DML. Sir Richard Butler, chairman of CNIM, will be director and Charles Macek, who is a director of County NatWest Investment Management Japan, will be managing director.

The joint venture will both develop and own the investment models and license them to DML and CNIM for the management of Japanese equities and derivatives. DML, which has considerable investments in the Japanese market, will utilise the models for the management of part of their Japanese equity assets and will have principal responsibility for and control over the marketing in Japan.

CNIM will have marketing responsibility elsewhere in the world and be able to utilise the models for the management of Japanese equitities for institutional investors alongside its existing active equity management capabilities. It is anticipated that substantial funds will be managed utilising these models.

Commenting on today's announcement, Howard MacDonald, chairman and chief executive of NWIB, said: ''This is a major step forward for the NWIB Group in Japan and the use of investment technology developed by the innovative team at County NatWest Investment Management.

DML is one of our most important clients and through this joint venture we combine DML's client base and established skills in managing Japanese equities with CNIM's globally focused quantitative investment management knowledge. This unique combination will add to each company's range of investment techniques for successfully managing Japanese equities.''

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PINE BROOK, NJ (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - PURE TECH International Inc. (NASDAQ Symbols: PURT, PURTU, PURTW) Wednesday announced that a licensee

of the Pure Tech Process, Taiwan Recycling Corporation (TRC), has commenced operations at its post- consumer PET recycling plant in Taiwan.

In early 1989, PURE TECH granted a license to the TRC to construct a plant in Taiwan utilizing the Pure Tech Process, which is used to recycle post-consumer plastic bottles. During 1989 and 1990, the plant was in design and construction phase with extensive technical assistance from PURE TECH.

Under the terms of the license agreement, PURE TECH will receive royalties from post-consumer plastics recycled by the plant in Taiwan until September 1997. The plant has an annual capacity of 16 million pounds.

TRC, the joint venture of Far Eastern Textile and Shin Kong Group, is dedicated to recycling and solving Taiwan's environmental problems related to plastic bottles.

Commenting on this development, David Katz, President of PURE TECH INTERNATIONAL, INC., stated, ''We are extremely pleased with the commencement of TRC's operations. Originally scheduled to begin late last spring, operations were postponed due to delays in obtaining electrical connections from the public power company.''

Mr. Katz added, ''Plastics recycling continues to be a significant issue worldwide. Taiwan's population consumes approximately 250 million PET bottles annually and the TRC agreement is testimony to Taiwan's commitment to a solution. The Taiwan Recycling Corporation, in conjunction with the Taiwan Regional Association of Carbonated Beverage Industries, began the collection of PET bottles in early 1989 with eight collection centers across the island and has sufficient supply to begin operations.''

PURE TECH INTERNATIONAL, INC. is engaged in recycling post- consumer plastic bottles, including polyethylene terephthalate, or ''PET'' bottles (used in the soft drink industry), and high density polyethylene, or ''HDPE'' bottles (containers and jugs used for milk, juice, detergents, and other items) through a joint venture agreement with NICON, Inc. In addition, the Company is involved in the development of new recycling technologies in its pilot plant.

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PROVO, UTAH (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Novell Inc., developer of NetWare systems software products, Wednesday announced two new after-sale programs for United States and Canadian customers, NetWare UpGrade and NetWare UpDate.

These programs replace the existing NetWare Assurance program while offering NetWare users a more affordable and efficient system to manage network growth and stay current with Novell product development.

NetWare UpGrade offers customers two product migration paths. The first is an operating system trade-in program that allows users to move up to a current version of their NetWare product with credit given for the earlier purchase. As an example, moving from Advanced NetWare v2.0a to Advanced NetWare v2.15 would cost US$1155, a savings of 65 percent from the US$3295 list price of Advanced NetWare v2.15. The second NetWare UpGrade program provides a similar discount structure for users moving up from one NetWare operating system family to another with greater functionality. As an example, moving from SFT NetWare v2.15 to NetWare 386 v3.1 would cost US$4745, saving almost 41 percent of the NetWare 386 v3.1 list price of US$7995.

The second new program, NetWare UpDate, is a renewable software maintenance contract that provides new product features, upgrades within a NetWare product family, bug fixes and software patches for the term of the contract. Pricing ranges from US$325 per year for ELS NetWare Level I v2.12 to US$2000 per year for NetWare 386 v3.1. Users upgrading through the NetWare UpGrade program also receive six free months of NetWare UpDate.

Novell plans to combine all relevant product updates and issue them quarterly throughout the year to NetWare UpDate subscribers.

Novell Inc., (NASDAQ: NOVL), develops NetWare systems software products that manage and control the sharing of data across a variety of network computing environments, including computer workgroups, departmental networks and business-wide information systems.

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RIVERSIDE, CALIF. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Former employees of ABBA Rubber Co. Inc., of Los Angeles, and their current employer, Seaquist Co.

of Riverside, have been enjoined pending trial by the Superior Court in Riverside from further solicitation of ABBA's more than 400 active customers and making use of the company's trade secret information regarding these customers.

The court held that ABBA's customer lists and related information have ''independent actual or potential economic value from not being generally known to the public or to other persons who can obtain value from its disclosure or use,'' within the meaning of the Uniform Trade Secrets Act.

The principal Seaquist defendants are J.T. Uribe, who was employed by ABBA as plant manager and later a vice president and general manager from February 1983 to Sept. 11, 1989, and his brother, J.A. Uribe, who was employed by ABBA first as a salesman and then as manager of customer services and sales from 1985 until February 1989. ABBA alleges that the two brothers now are doing business with a third defendant, Roy J. Seaquist, as Seaquist Co.

The plaintiff, ABBA, is a manufacturer of precision rubber rollers and molded products used in machines and manufacturing processes by a variety of companies throughout the nation including makers of copy machines, computers, printed circuit boards, corrugated products, personal products and by still other companies in the brewing and bottling, trucking, automotive, electronics, aircraft and news media industries.

ABBA is a 30-year-old private company that had 1989 sales of $1.6 million, according to Robert J. McDonald, president and chief executive officer. He said that the company's rubber is made in its own mills with time-proven formulas using top-quality raw rubber and chemicals that have earned its national reputation for high quality and excellent service.

Representing the plaintiff, Allan Gabriel, of Earvin, Cohen & Jessup, Beverly Hills, said that his clients industry is highly competitive and developing names of potential customers is sophisticated, difficult, ongoing and expensive. He said that the extensive information maintained in ABBA's secured and limited access customer files represents trade secrets that no competitor could duplicate without similar years of expensive and time-consuming work.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Silicon Valley Group Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SVGI) Wednesday announced that it has acquired an additional 1.1 million shares of its majority-owned subsidiary, SVG Lithography Systems Inc. (''SVGL''), from The Perkin-Elmer Corp., in exchange for the issuance to Perkin-Elmer of 499,117 shares of SVG common stock.

SVG acquired 6,310,000 shares of common stock of SVGL on May 15, 1990 concurrently with SVGL's acquisition of the assets of Perkin-Elmer's Optical Lithography Operations. The transaction just completed with Perkin-Elmer increases SVG's share ownership in SVGL from approximately 67 percent to approximately 79 percent of the outstanding shares.

Silicon Valley Group Inc. is a leading supplier of automated wafer processing equipment for the worldwide semiconductor industry.

SVG's product divisions are the Track Systems Division, focused on photolithography processing equipment, and the Thermco Systems Division, offering oxidation, diffusion and low pressure chemical vapor deposition (LPCVD) processing systems.

SVG Lithography Systems Inc. delivers photolithography tools which utilize step-and-scan technology.

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SCOTTS VALLEY, CALIF. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Borland International Inc. (NASDAQ:BORL) announced Wednesday it shipped a new version of Paradox (version 3.5), its award-winning relational database management system, and Paradox SQL Link, a companion product that provides Paradox users easy access to corporate data stored on a wide variety of computer equipment.

''Database users and developers worldwide have adopted Paradox as the new standard for database software,'' said Philippe Kahn, Borland's chairman, president and chief executive officer. ''Now Paradox SQL Link provides immediate and easy access to corporate information, wherever it is located which is essential to the success of any organization.''

Paradox 3.5 works with Paradox SQL Link to allow users to access remote SQL data without learning complex SQL programming. SQL (Structured Query Language) is the industry-standard data language for relational databases residing on minicomputers, mainframes or PC database servers.

''Paradox with SQL Link connects to more data servers than any other

microcomputer database management system,'' said Rob Dickerson, vice president and general manager of Borland's Database Business Unit. ''Paradox allows novice and experienced users to access SQL data without programming, and offers developers the ability to integrate SQL and PAL to create front-end SQL applications.''

Individual and corporate Paradox 3.5 users can share data with other Borland programs, such as Quattro Pro, SideKick for Presentation Manager and C applications developed with the Paradox Engine. In addition, Paradox imports and exports Ashton-Tate dBASE files. Version 2.0 of Quattro Pro, scheduled for shipment later this year, will include enhanced links to Paradox.

Borland International Inc., Scotts Valley, is a leading developer of high-performance software products. Borland offers some of the world's most widely used business applications and software development tools, such as Paradox, Quattro Pro, SideKick, Turbo Pascal, Turbo C, Turbo C++ and Turbo Debugger & Tools.

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NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Borden, Inc. (NYSE: BN) Wednesday announced that it has acquired the assets of Astro Industries, Inc., a Morganton, North Carolina-based producer of specialty resins. Terms of the cash transaction were not disclosed.

Astro's product line consists principally of thermosetting specialty resins for use in making decorative laminates, treating and coating textile and paper products, and surface coatings and other applications. Annual sales of approximately $9 million are centered in the Atlantic Coastal states. The company employs about 20 people and has its headquarters, manufacturing and laboratory at the Morganton site.

R.J. Ventres, chairman and chief executive officer of Borden, Inc., said, ''Astro broadens and strengthens our presence in specialty resins, and it offers considerable opportunity to capitalize on synergies with our existing business. For example, Borden's national network of manufacturing plants will help Astro to expand its geographic market reach and we'll each offer a wider range of Astro/Borden products to our customers.''

Astro will be operated as part of Borden's worldwide Packaging and Industrial Products Division. Mr. Ernest St. Louis, one of the founders

of Astro in 1968, will continue as president and general manager.

Borden, Inc. is a worldwide producer of foods, non-food consumer products and packaging and industrial products, with worldwide sales of $7.6 billion in 1989. The company ranks number one in the world in pasta, wallcoverings, forest products adhesives and vinyl foodwrap films; number one in U.S. dairy; number two in salty snacks in North America; and number one or two, nationally or regionally, in 26 U.S. niche grocery product categories.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Applebee's International Inc. (NASD:APPB) Wednesday announced that it has opened the 142nd unit in its national restaurant system.

The restaurant is located in Kansas City, and is a company-operated unit. Further, three franchisee-operated restaurants are expected to open next week, bringing the system's total to 145.

The company expects to have 165 to 180 units open by year-end 1990. To facilitate its aggressive expansion plans, Applebee's also announced two additions to its franchise development staff.

Laurence M. Bader, director of franchise development, has both international and domestic experience in the franchise industry. He has held development positions with Kentucky Fried Chicken, Marriott Corp.'s Roy Rogers Restaurant Group, and he was director of franchise development for Avis Car Rentals' Lube Fast Oil Change Centers Division.

James A. Crumbaker, real estate manager, has an extensive background in franchise sales and real estate. He has served in a management capacity with Dunkin Donuts of America Inc., McDonald's, and Marriott Corp.

Applebee's International Inc. develops, franchises, and operates a rapidly expanding chain of full service restaurants under the name, ''Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar.'' Known as ''America's Favorite Neighbor,'' the restaurants offer a casual dining concept which includes full bar service and a broad array of menu items for lunch, dinner and Sunday brunch.

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DENVER (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Crown Resources Corp. is pleased to announce that Louis A. Lepry Jr. has been appointed to the newly created position of vice president - corporate development.

Lepry will be primarily responsible for Crown's corporate growth activities.

Lepry, 36 years old, received a masters in economic geology from the University of Arizona and a bachelor of science in engineering geology from Fort Lewis College. Lepry has over 12 years of domestic and international experience in the mining industry and was most recently a senior acquisitions analyst with Independence Mining Co. in Reno, Nev.

Mark E. Jones III, Crown's chairman said, ''Lou will add an important new component to Crown's management team and we look forward to his contribution to Crown's continued growth.''

Crown is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the trading symbol CRRS and on the Vancouver Stock Exchange under the symbol CRO.

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - CORTEX Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ:CORXU/CORX/CORXW) Wednesday announced receipt of a Phase I Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) grant in support of its neural-growth-factor research program.

These revenues, initially for approximately $45,000, were extended by the U.S. Public Health Service to support investigation by CORTEX of the growth-factor properties of a proprietary class of compounds that the company is investigating.

Depending on the outcome of the initial studies, CORTEX intends to apply in late 1990 for a Phase II SBIR grant for up to $500,000 to support an extended program in the area.

Neural growth factors are naturally occurring substances responsible for growth and maintenance of cells in the brain. They have also been shown

in laboratory studies to enhance survival and regeneration of brain cells under conditions that are normally lethal.

According to Dr. Raymond T. Bartus, interim president and chief scientific officer at CORTEX, neural growth factors ''have the potential to dramatically alter the way in which medical science deals with brain degeneration.'' He described the grant as ''an important indication of external support for our program in this increasingly exciting area of neuropharmaceutical research.''

CORTEX, with laboratories in Irvine, is focused on discovery and development of therapeutics for age-related neurodegenerative disorders.

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Environmental Systems Co. (NYSE:ESC) reported Wednesday financial results for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

Net income for common shares from continuing operations, before an extraordinary charge, was $2,909,000, or 18 cents per share, on revenues of $38.7 million. The results compare with net income for common shares from continuing operations of $1,569,000, or 10 cents per share, on revenues of $24.2 million for the third quarter of fiscal 1989.

Net income for common shares from continuing operations before the extraordinary charge, for the nine months ended July 31, 1990 was $7,838,000, or 49 cents per share, on revenues of $107.9 million. During the first nine months of fiscal 1989, net income for common shares from continuing operations was $2,528,000, or 17 cents per share, on revenues of $62.0 million.

An extraordinary charge of $1,801,000, or 11 cents per share, was incurred in the quarter ended July 31, 1990, giving effect to the previously announced tentative settlement of a class action suit against the company and certain officers and directors. The net income for the current quarter, after the extraordinary charge, was $1,108,000,

or 7 cents per share, and the net income for the first three quarters of fiscal 1990, after the extraordinary charge, was $6,037,000, or 38 cents per share.

President and Chief Executive Officer, Jack W. Forrest, said, ''The operating results are in line with our expectations and continue the

recent trend of growth in revenues and earnings.''

Forrest also announced that effective Sept. 15, 1990, A. Reid Allison, vice president and chief financial officer of the company, would begin a reduced-time working relationship with the company in anticipation of his resignation for personal reasons, to be effective Oct. 31, 1990. Forrest noted that the company was reviewing several possible candidates for Allison's position.

Environmental Systems Co. provides integrated hazardous waste management services to private industry, public utilities and governmental entities. These services include chemical analysis, collection, transportation, processing and incineration of hazardous waste.

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PALO ALTO, CA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Aion Corp. announced new product directions which demonstrates its strong commitment and continued support for IBM's AD/Cycle.

AD/Cycle is the application development framework for IBM's Systems Application Architecture (SAA).

Aion Corp. considers the SAA AD/Cycle as a part of its commitment to deliver solutions central to today's business needs. Aion is committed to the inclusion of expert system products within this framework.

In support of IBM's stragey, Aion announced that Aion Development System (ADS) /b knowledge bases will be stored in and retrieved from the Repository Manager/MVS through ADS's object-oriented architecture. This will include the complete Aion product line.

The Aion Development System is structured to incorporate data definitions that are stored in the repository. This is an extension of ADS' current capability of sourcing external data definitions from popular products, such as DB2 and PL/1.

The Aion Development System has been extended to support a complete graphical interface that is compliant with the IBM SAA specification for the user interface, Common User Access (CUA). The graphical interface created with IBM Easel V1.1 for OS/2 enhances the friendliness and ease of use of applications generated with ADS.

Aion has also announced a CUA compliant interface to the ADS development

environment running under Presentation Manager. This will be available in the first quarter 1991.

Aion's Cooperative Processing Option (CPO) running under OS/2 via the IBM Communication Manager, will be available first quarter 1991. CPO is Aion's PC to mainframe package which brings large gains in the productive use of computing resources by leveraging the investment companies have made in existing microcomputers with data stored in corporate databases.

Aion Corp. develops and markets the Aion Development System, an integrated development environment for building, delivering and maintaining expert system applications. ADS includes a powerful set of inferencing techniques, object-oriented processing and data processing tools for significant productivity gains in IBM PC and mainframe environments.

(a) Indicates trademark of International Business Machines Corp. (b) Aion is a registered trademark of Aion Corp.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Sega of America Inc. will launch Wednesday a daring national advertising campaign that directly attacks the market leader's weaknesses.

This is the latest stone to be cast by Sega's ''David'' against ''Goliath '' Nintendo of America. As the number two contender in home video game entertainment, Sega is going head-to-head to win the 1990 holiday battle for loyalty, sales, and to prove, once and for all, that ''Genesis Does What Nintendon't.''

'''Genesis Does' top name celebrities; 'Genesis Does' superior game quality with better color, sound, graphics and resolution and 'Genesis Does' games that appeal to adults as well as kids,'' said Michael Katz, president of the consumer products division of Sega of America.

The new TV ads break unusually early this year for a typical holiday-driven campaign. They're scheduled to air in New York after Labor Day, in 10 more major markets beginning Sept. 17, and nationwide via syndication through December. The video game wars will intensify as Nintendo launches its new campaign the same week as Sega.

Created by Bozell Inc., Los Angeles, the spots demonstrate the many advantages Sega's 16-bit Genesis video game system holds over Nintendo's 8-bit.

Sega brings out its full exclusive arsenal of celebrities to do it. The four new ads include cameo appearances by football hero Joe Montana, ''Heavyweight Champion'' James ''Buster'' Douglas and ''Coach of the Year'' Pat Riley -- all of whom have authored Genesis games.

Entertainment mega-star Michael Jackson is also spotlighted in several of the commercials. Footage from his films and videos is spliced back-to-back with matching scenes from his new Moonwalker game.

The targeted national $10 million fall campaign aims to bruise Nintendo's stranglehold over the $3 billion video game industry and fire up fall sales.

The company is also banking on the fact that Nintendo has played its hand with its primary audience, kids between the ages of 8 and 15 in 25 million U.S. households, and can't compete with Genesis which appeals strongly to the 18 to 25-plus adult market.

Michael Jackson also struts out in a 69-second promotional video for his Moonwalker game, premiering in movie theaters nationwide beginning Sept. 21.

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PONCE, PUERTO RICO (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B., (NASDAQ: PFBS) announced Wednesday that Miguel D. Lausell, Esq., was elected chairman of the bank's board of directors by unanimous vote of the board.

Lausell, who has served as vice chairman of the bank's board since his appointment to the board in May 1989, succeeds Ramiro L. Colon, Jr., who recently retired as the bank's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

The board also elected Federico Montilla, principal in the San Juan, P.R., based architectural firm of Montilla-Latimer, as vice chairman of the board, succeeding Lausell. Lucas P. Valdivieso, president of Hacienda Dolores, an agricultural concern headquartered in Penuelas, Puerto Rico, was elected secretary of the board of directors.

Valdivieso succeeds Jorge Vendrell, Jr., dentist, and a director of the bank since 1972, who will continue to serve as a director. Ramon Luis

Carro, an agronomist and president of Coamo Investments Corp., will continue to serve the board as its treasurer.

Lausell, 46, is a practicing attorney in San Juan, P.R., specializing in tax, corporate and banking law. He is a former president and chief executive officer of the Puerto Rico Telephone Co. and was a professor of law at the Interamerican University School of Law in Puerto Rico.

Having received a bachelors degree from Villanova University, Lausell attended the University of Puerto Rico Law School where he graduated with an LL.B - Magna Cum Laude and was distinguished as the Most Outstanding Student in the Field of Civil Law. Lausell later earned an LL.M degree at Harvard Law School.

Lausell and his wife Marisol (Archilla) live in San Juan with their three daughters.

Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B., the third largest thrift institution in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, is a federally chartered, full-service financial institution headquartered in the southern coastal city of Ponce. As of June 30, 1990, the bank had both tangible and core capital ratios equal to 4.62 percent of adjusted total assets and a risk-based capital ratio equal to 8.10 percent of risk-weighted assets, all of which are in excess of the minimum OTS requirements of 1.5 percent and 3.0 percent of adjusted total assets and 6.4 percent of risk-weighted assets, respectively.

The bank maintains an Island-wide network of 26 branches as well as executive offices in both Ponce and Hato Rey, the financial center of metropolitan San Juan.

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SANTA ANA, CA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsemi Corp. Wednesday announced an expansion of its Plan of Disposition, which was adopted in August 1989.

In this final phase, Microsemi will dispose of its non-core businesses which are not synergistic with its discrete-semiconductor business. Historically, Microsemi has achieved steady profitable growth in its core business. Recent industry events present opportunities for Microsemi to

significantly expand its primary businesses.

This action has been taken to enable the company to concentrate its resources on its diode and transistor business. The revisions to the plan include an extension of the plan to include an extension of efforts to dispose of two remaining businesses previously targeted for disposition as well as expansion of the plan to include all but one of the non-core businesses.

As a result of this action, the company will record a charge to earnings in the current quarter in the range of $9 million to $11 million before reductions for the tax benefits associated with the dispositions. This reserve is estimated to cover losses and associated costs of these dispositions as well as a write-down of certain non-affiliate investments.

The final dispositions will include liquidation of certain business units and the sale of others at lower sale prices than originally thought recoverable. General business conditions over the past six months and the desire to accelerate the disposition of non-performing businesses have made this additional write-down a necessity.

Potential benefits of this planned restructure will be generation of between $6 million and $10 million of cash over the next 12 months and a return to the more predictable performance of the company's basic discrete-semiconductor business. The company anticipates that once having disposed of these non-core businesses it would return to its more profitable days.

Microsemi is a leading supplier of high-reliability discrete semiconductors, microelectronic hybrid and surface-mount assemblies and hi-rel screening and testing services for the electronics, computer, telecommunications, defense/aerospace and medical markets.

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MECHANICSBURG, PA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Medical Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:CONT) (''CMS'') announced Wednesday that it has acquired 80 percent of the common stock of Communi Care of America Inc., Pro-Rehab Inc. and an affiliated entity (collectively, ''Communi-Care/Pro-Rehab'') of Boone, N.C.

Communi-Care/Pro-Rehab provides physical, occupational and speech therapy services on a contract basis, principally to nursing homes, primarily in 17 southeastern states.

The purchase price for the stock of Communi-Care/Pro-Rehab is payable in installments of cash and CMS common stock over five years. For the six months ended June 30, Communi-Care/Pro-Rehab had net operating revenues of approximately $11.7 million.

Kenneth Hubbard, founder, CEO, and a principal stockholder of Communi-Care/Pro-Rehab prior to the purchase by CMS, will continue as president of each of the acquired companies.

Communi-Care/Pro-Rehab's remaining management will also continue to operate and strategically grow the new CMS subsidiaries.

Continental Medical Systems Inc. is the nation's leading independent provider of comprehensive medical rehabilitation with annualized revenues currently exceeding $300 million.

CMS operates 12 rehabilitation hospitals and two specialty rehabilitation facilities for a system total of 962 beds in Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts and Texas.

CMS has 10 community-based rehabilitation hospitals under construction in Arkansas, California, Colorado, Indiana and Texas. Braintree Hospital is also a part of the CMS system and operates 13 outpatient rehabilitation centers and manages two acute care rehabilitation units.

CMS supplies physical, occupational and speech therapy services in more than 26 states through its California Physical Therapy Inc.; VTA Management Services Inc.; Pro-Therapy of America; RehabWorks Inc.; and most recently Communi-Care/Pro-Rehab, which is located in North Carolina and serves the Mid-Atlantic and Southeastern regions.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - In its continuing efforts to lead the fight against software piracy, the Software Publishers Association (SPA) announced Wednesday the release of a software program, SPAudit, to complement the SPA Self Audit Kit.

The newly released product is an MS-DOS program that searches the hard disks of computers for over 650 of the most common programs used in business today. SPAudit is available free of charge to businesses, government offices and educational institutions.

SPAudit, which accompanies the Self Audit Kit, is designed to help an organization inventory commercial software programs that are on the organizations hard disks. After all PCs have been ''SPAudited,'' the program will print a listing that indicates how many copies of each application were found. Users may compare this report to purchase records to determine what software programs are authorized and which ones are unauthorized.

Since the release of the Software Self Audit Kit in Feb. 1990, the SPA has received over 5,000 requests from corporations interested in monitoring their internal software practices. The Self Audit Kit outlines the recommended steps for a self audit including suggested corporate policies, a memorandum to employees, and information about the copyright law.

''We are pleased to provide corporate America with a useful tool to help monitor their internal sofware practices, so that companies may become software legal'' said R. Duff Thompson, vice president and general counsel of WordPerfect Corp. and chairman of the SPA Copyright Protection Fund. ''Software piracy is a serious problem which directly affects publishers' research and development efforts to produce innovative, productive and efficient software products for the future.''

''During the beta-test period for SPAudit, the response was overwhelming '' said SPA Executive Director Ken Wasch. ''MIS managers have long-since recognized the difficulty of managing their software resources and staying within the law. We are now providing them with the tools they have requested.''

The Software Publishers Association, with offices in Washington and Paris La Defense, is the principal trade group of the PC software industry. Its over 670 members represent virtually all of the leading publishers in the business, consumer and education software markets.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The Horn & Hardart Company (AMEX: HOR) Wednesday announced that it has completed the sale of its Bojangles' Chicken 'N Biscuits restaurant chain to a company organized by Sienna Holdings and Interwest Partners.

The transaction was concluded on August 31.

On August 29, Horn & Hardart announced that it had entered into an

agreement to sell the Bojangles' chain to the group for $20 million principal amount of Horn & Hardart's 14 percent Senior Subordinated Debentures. In addition to the bond exchange, under the terms of the transaction as consummated, the purchaser assumed an additional $4 million in liabilities and capital leases, bringing the total consideration for the transaction to approximately $24 million.

With the sale of the Bojangles' chain, the Company's divestiture of H&H Restaurant Corp., organized in 1989 to operate its East Coast restaurant operations, is substantially complete. Horn & Hardart's remaining East Coast restaurant operation is comprised of its five Tony Roma's restaurant locations in New York City, the sale of which is under negotiation.

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PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The management of Mylan Laboratories and Bolar Pharmaceutical Co. announced Wednesday that an agreement has been signed with Sandoz Pharmaceutical Corp. to co-promote Eldepryl in the United States.

Eldepryl is used in the treatment of late stage Parkinson's disease and is currently being marketed by Somerset Pharmaceuticals, which is owned equally by Mylan and Bolar.

This agreement guarantees the annualized sales already established by Somerset. Sandoz adds marketing experience and 800 field representatives to help Eldepryl reach its full future potential.

Sandoz is gearing up for a national launch of the product, their dedicated team of representatives will begin detailing Eldepryl Oct. 1, 1990.

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STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson Radar Electronics has received an order from the United States valued at SEK 100 million (approximately $30 million) for radio link equipment.

This order is an extension of a previous agreement for delivery of digital radio links for mobile use. Most of the equipment, to be manufactured at Ericsson's plant in Boras, Sweden, is scheduled for delivery in 1992.

This order confirms Ericsson's position as one of the world's major suppliers of radio links for mobile systems. The basic product, MINI-LINK has been delivered to 53 countries.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications recognized for its advanced systems and products for wired and mobile communications in public and private networks. -0- Ericsson ADRs are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ''ERICY.''

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SCHENECTADY, NY (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - GE Power Generation has signed a contract worth more than $30 million with Korea Heavy Industries Construction Co., LTD. (KHIC), to supply power plant equipment for the Poryong Power Station, located south of Seoul in the Republic of Korea.

The order announced Wednesday is for the supply of two coal-fired 550-megawatt steam turbine-generators for units 5 and 6 of Korea Electric Power Corp.'s (KEPCO) Poryong Power Station. GE signed another contract in April 1989 for the supply of two 550-megawatt steam turbines for Poryong 3 and 4. The contract also calls for GE to supply four boiler feed pump turbines and related equipment.

This order comes on the heels of another Korean contract GE announced last week worth more than $200 million. That contract is with KEPCO and calls for the supply of gas and steam turbine-generators for a power station to be built on the island of Ildo, west of Seoul.

The GE steam turbine-generators for the new contract are of a highly efficient design, allowing greater electrical output for a given amount of fuel than other steam turbine-generators of similar size and configuration.

Two 550-megawatt steam turbines could produce enough power for the city of Phoenix.

The power plant equipment will be jointly manufactured with KHIC. GE will supply the 550-megawatt steam turbines and generators from its manufacturing facilities in Schenectady, and the boiler feed pump turbines from its manufacturing facilities in Fitchburg, Mass.

The first steam turbine-generator unit from this latest order is scheduled to begin commercial operation in February, 1994, followed by the second unit in June of the same year.

GE is the world's leading manufacturer and supplier of power generation systems and services, including steam turbines, gas turbines, STAG (TM) combined-cycle systems, cogeneration power equipment and a variety of uprate, upgrade and power plant maintenance programs. Through a subsidiary component, GE Environmental Systems, GE provides flue gas desulfurization and other air purification systems.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Breakwater Resources Ltd. (NASDAQ: BWRLF; TSE, VSE: BWR) has acquired all of the shares of Bathurst Base Metals Inc. through the amalgamation of Bathurst with a wholly-owned subsidiary of Breakwater.

Shareholders of Bathurst are entitled to receive one share of Breakwater for every 3.75 shares of Bathurst. The principal asset of Bathurst is a 100 percent interest in the Caribou Mine, located near Bathurst, New Brunswick.

The transaction has resulted in the issuance of 4,455,460 new shares of Breakwater and Breakwater has reserved approximately 1.1 million additional shares for issue pursuant to convertible security obligations assumed from Bathurst.

Restructuring of the Caribou Mine's Cdn $30 million, non-recourse debt has been agreed to by Breakwater, Bathurst and two Australian banks. Breakwater has also agreed to fund the development of the Caribou Mine to completion.

The plan provides for deferral of principal and interest payments on the debt and allocates 80 percent of the mine's available cash flow to repayment of principal and interest.

The principal is to be repaid by April 30, 1996 and the interest repaid by April 30, 2000. The Caribou Mine had also issued silver certificates totalling Cdn $15 million. Interest payments on the silver certificates are presently being deferred.

Mining, mine development and milling are currently underway at the Caribou

Mine. Concentrate shipments commenced in May and production is expected to reach full capacity this year.

With the acquisition of the Caribou Mine, Breakwater Resources Ltd. has become a significant Canadian zinc producer. Breakwater owns 100 percent of the E1 Mochito zinc mine in Honduras and 49 percent of the Cannon gold mine in Washington.

The company is also earning a 70 percent interest in the Estrades zinc/copper/gold mine in Quebec by developing the property to production. Commercial production will commence this fall.

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MINNEAPOLIS, MN (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Tricord Systems Inc. Wednesday announced the PowerFrame Model 40/33, based on Intel's 33MHz 486 processor.

This new PowerFrame Model secures Tricord's position as the super-server industry's price/performance leader.

The improved performance provided by the 33MHz 486 microprocessor will make the PowerFrame 40/33 the fastest super-server available. The 33MHz 486 processor is 30 percent faster than the 25MHz processor. The performance of the system bus alone will increase from 100 to 132MBytes per second.

The PowerFrame 40/33 is Tricord's next step in providing its customers with appropriate tools for today's computing needs. The PowerFrame features system scalability and seamless upgrade advantages, allowing users to increase power and capacity to meet growing computing demands.

PowerFrame uses who are not currently running client/server applications can purchase a system today for current needs, then easily and efficiently add the necessary processing power and storage capacity when these applications come on-line.

The PowerFrame rivals the application power of a minicomputer at a fraction of the cost by incorporating the highest-performance system bus, multiple processors, disk arrays, and Intel's latest 486 and 860 technologies. The server family includes an Extended Industry Standard Architecture (EISA) open systems bus to accept industry standard hardware such as Token-Ring or Ethernet network adapters. The PowerFrame supports OS/2, NetWare, and SCO UNIX operating systems.

The PowerFrame 40/33 is the newest addition to Tricord's product line. Other Models include the 30/25, the 40/25, the 44/25, and the 48/25, all based on Intel's 25Mhz microprocessor.

The PowerFrame Basic Model 40/33 includes 256KBytes second level cache, 385MBytes disk drive, and 8MBytes of main memory. It will be available during the fourth quarter of 1990, with a suggested retail price of $30,490.00.

Tricord Systems Inc. is a privately held company headquartered in Minneapolis, MN. It was founded to design and manufacture a new generation of network servers, based on advanced industry standards, to meet the increasing performance and reliability requirements of client/server and local area network computing.

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HORSHAM, PA. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Decision Data Inc. has announced an agreement valued at over $5 million to provide workstations and remote cluster control units to the St. Louis, Mo., headquartered Enterprise Rent-A-Car.

The purchase is part of a program to automate operations at Enterprise by linking more than 700 rental offices throughout the United States to five IBM AS/400 minicomputers at the St. Louis Data Processing Center.

Decision Data 3596 and 3597 workstations will be used both at the rental counters for processing customer rentals and returns and to perform administrative functions at the rental and group administrative offices. Each office will be linked to the IBM host computers in St. Louis by Decision Data 5794 remote control units. Implementation at all offices is scheduled for completion by the end of 1990.

''We selected Decision Data peripherals not only because of their favorable pricing, but also the company's ability to provide the complete set of twinax attachable products we need for rental office automation,'' said Enterprise Rent-A-Car Senior Vice President Marcus T. Cohn.

''Other reasons were Decision Data's ability to provide support at our remote sites through its service division and the ability to deliver the proper types of equipment to each office per our implementation schedule.''

According to Cohn, automating the company's rental operations will improve customer service by enabling faster rentals and returns, improving billing computations and providing the ability to retain and reuse information for repeat customers. Other benefits, he says, will include the ability to process information necessary to numerous marketing functions and to provide rate and fleet data necessary for maximum yield management.

''By reducing the administrative burden on our front-line employees, we will allow them to focus more on customer service, which remains our most important priority,'' Cohn said.

With sales approaching $1 billion, Enterprise is the nation's fifth largest rental company. Decision Data Inc. is the largest independent supplier worldwide of IBM midrange systems, products and services.

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FREMONT, CA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - DSP Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:DSPT DSPTU) announced Wednesday that net income for the second quarter ended July 31, 1990, was $140,000, or 7 cents per share, on net sales of $1,407,000, compared to net income of $120,000, or 6 cents per share, on net sales of $1,596,000 in the same quarter last year.

F. Gil Troutman, president, said, ''The 17 percent gain in second quarter net income reflects improved gross margins and lower operating expenses which more than offset reduced revenue.''

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, net income was $194,000, or 10 cents per share, on revenues of $2,648,000 versus net income of $226,000, or 11 cents per share, on revenues of $3,258,000 last year. Troutman said that the decline in net sales and net income in the first half of this year was primarily due to lower product shipments which more than offset higher service revenue.

Troutman added that during the quarter, DSPT received an order of approximately $400,000 for multiple combustion analysis systems and, separately, a $241,000 contract for the maintenance of safety test equipment from a major domestic automotive manufacturer.

He said, ''These contracts, coupled with other orders, including a

previously announced $1,200,000 order for automotive safety test equipment have helped increase DSPT's backlog to over $2,500,000 at the end of the second quarter compared to approximately $700,000 at the beginning of the fiscal year.''

DSP Technology Inc. designs, manufactures and markets data acquisition systems which enable its customers to capture data from occurrences lasting from millionths of a second to several days.

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SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The economic philosophy behind Australia's 1990/91 Federal Budget seems to be that with the slowing in economic activity there is no need to further tighten government spending.

The strategy is to let the slowdown take its course, keep real growth in outlays and revenues small, and sit tight, according to Westpac Banking Copr. (NYSE:WBK), Australia's largest financial services group.

The September issue of Westpac's monthly economic publication Market Insights indicates that with outlays expected to rise 1.1 percent in real terms (0.6 percent before adjustment for various one-off effects that mask the underlying trends), the budget is mildly expansionary. This expansionary effect is reinforced in total public sector spending, on a national accounts basis, grows at the official forecast rate of 2.8 percent, the first real increase in outlays since the pre-''Banana Republic'' budget of 1985/86.

With the June quarter national accounts confirming that the Australian economy is slowing rapidly, the question that remains is just how deep and sustained it will be.

The budget forecasts net export growth to cushion output against flat domestic spending Westpac expects domestic spending to fall by one percent but agrees that a soft landing is likely and forecasts real GDP growth of 1.2 percent for 1990/91.

While the situation in the Persian Gulf complicates the outlook for Australia's trade performance (as well as for domestic activity and inflation), on balance, as a net energy exporter, Australia is likely to be slightly ahead in the medium term if crude oil prices settle at around

USD25/barrel in current prices.

The September issue of Market Insights also includes a special two-page report on the Australian property market which documents the factors behind the downturn and outlines the prospects for key sectors of the market.

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LEBANON, TN (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Cracker Barrel Old Country Store Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CBRL) Wednesday announced results for its fiscal year ended Aug. 3, 1990.

Net sales for fiscal year 1990, were $225.5 million, compared with net sales of $169.5 million in fiscal 1989. Pre-tax income was $24.1 million compared with $16.9 million last year. Net income was $15.3 million, or $1.07 per share, compared with $10.9 million, or 85 cents per share, a year ago.

Net sales for the fourth quarter ended Aug. 3, 1990 were $72.0 million, compared with net sales of $50.9 million in the fourth quarter last year. Pre-tax income was $10.7 milion, compared with $7.5 million. Net income was $6.8 million, or 47 cents per share, compared with $5.0 million, or 36 cents per share, a year ago.

Results for the fiscal year and fourth quarter ended Aug. 3, 1990, include 53 and 14 weeks, respectively, compared with 52 and 13 weeks a year ago. All share and per share amounts reflect the three-for-two stock split effected as a 50 percent stock dividend in April 1990.

Commenting on the results, Dan W. Evins, chairman and president, said, ''Comparable 52-week same store restaurant sales for fiscal 1990 increased 8.0 percent, including 5.2 percent in real terms and same store gift shop sales increased 13.4 percent. The additional week of operations accounted for a 3.0 percent increase in sales and the balance of the sales increase was attributable to new stores.

''For the 13 comparable weeks of the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, same store restaurant sales increased 7.3 percent, including 5.4 percent in real terms and same store gift shop sales increased 9.6 percent. The additional week in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 increased sales for the period by 11.0 percent. New stores accounted for the balance of the sales increase.

''Net income for fiscal 1990 was favorably affected by the increase in sales, further improvements in our store operations, generally milder weather in January and February and the additional week in the fourth quarter.

''Fifteen new stores were opened during fiscal 1990. At Aug. 3,1990, 88 stores were in operation. Our plan is to open 18 new stores in fiscal 1991, two of which have already opened,'' Evins concluded.

Headquartered in Lebanon, Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, Inc. operates 90 restaurants located in Tennessee, Georgia, Kentucky, Indiana, South Carolina, Florida, Alabama, North Carolina, Ohio, Virginia, West Virginia and Illinois.

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STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - CUC International Inc. (NYSE:CU) Wednesday announced second quarter results for the period ending July 31.

Earnings per share for the quarter increased 240% to 17 cents from 5 cents for the same period a year ago, based on 23.2 million and 21.7 million weighted average shares and dilutive equivalent shares outstanding, respectively. Net income was $3.9 million, up from $1 million for the prior year's second quarter. Revenues increased 23% to $110.6 million from $90.1 million for the same period last year.

Earnings per share for the six months ended July 31, increased to 58% to 30 cents, compared to 19 cents for the same six month period a year ago, based on 23.2 and 21.1 million weighted average shares outstanding. Net income was $6.9 million, up from $4 million a year ago. Revenues increased 23% for the comparable six month period to $215.4 million from $174.6 million a year ago.

During the quarter, the company bought three local dining clubs for approximately $6.5 million. Walter A. Forbes, chairman and CEO of CUC International, commented that these purchases brought the company

approximately 200,000 additional members for its dining clubs and a new distribution channel for the company's products.

''These localized dining and lifestyle programs give us a strong base for our newest distribution channel of localized direct marketing. Further, the discount lifestyle business is one which is gaining both consumer and merchant acceptance. It's a natural extension of our existing business. We will be able to add national features to a program which previously was principally local and, in turn, bring local features to our existing national credit card and bank programs.''

Forbes continued, ''We continue to see strong growth trends in our business. During the quarter, we added approximately 600,000 net new memberships, bringing our total to 14.8 million compared to 12.9 million a year ago. Dining memberships are now at 600,000 compared to 50,000 a year ago. We also added a major new credit client, American Express, for whom we began marketing our new Home Resource product in July.''

CUC International is a leading membership services company, presently providing more than 14 million consumers with access to a variety of services including home shopping, travel, insurance, auto, dining, checking account enhancements, and extended warranties.

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KNOXVILLE, TENN. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Plasti-Line Inc. (NASDAQ:SIGN) announced Wednesday that Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A. Inc. has issued it a letter of intent to purchase dealership identity signage and services from Plasti-Line in connection with Toyota's nationwide dealer reimaging program.

James R. Martin, president of Plasti-Line, reported that Plasti-Line is expected to be the sole supplier of signs for this project. Toyota has indicated that their overall budget for the sign portion of the program is $20 - $25 million. Target date for introduction of the new sign program is early October.

Toyota has approximately 1,200 dealerships independently owned and operated by their franchise owners and has targeted this reindentification to be completed by 1994. Plasti-Line's involvement in this project remains subject to the negotiation and execution of a definitive contract.

Martin stated, ''We are very proud to have been selected by Toyota, one of the premium automobile manufacturers in the world, and a company with a

reputation for outstanding quality products.

''Although this new business will probably not materially impact the company's sales or earnings this year, we continue to be cautiously optimistic that the remainder of this fiscal year will be an improvement in sales and earnings over the first six months, even though we are continuing to experience the previously announced slowdown in shipments to our regular customers.''

For the six months ended July 1, 1990, Plasti-Line reported sales, net income and earnings per share of $40,107,000, $358,000 and 10 cents per share, respectively.

Plasti-Line manufactures, installs and maintains internally illuminated indoor and outdoor signs for corporate identification programs.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - First Union Real Estate Investments (NYSE:FUR) today announced its third quarter 1990 dividend of $0.375 per share ($1.50 annual rate).

The dividend will be paid Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 28, 1990.

The Trust sustained its record of consecutive regular quarterly dividends, without a downturn, by declaring the 116th dividend in its 29-year history. The yield based on the current share market value is an impressive 11 percent.

First Union Real Estate Investments is a self-administered equity real estate investment trust specializing in the ownership of regional shopping malls, downtown office buildings and multi-family complexes located throughout the United States. The Trust's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange, providing shareholders the opportunity to particiapte in real estate ownership while maintaining investment liquidity.

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SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Evans & Sutherland Computer

Corp. (NASDAQ:ESCC) Wednesday announced that they have been selected for negotiations to become the visual system supplier to CAE-Link for the next generation of NASA space flight training systems.

The image generators will be procured by CAE-Link Corp.'s Link Flight Simulation Division to meet requirements under it's Training Systems Contract with NASA.

The image generator subcontract will be awarded in phases over the next six years. The initial award is expected to be about $19 million and, if all options are exercised, could total approximately $60 million. First deliveries are scheduled for 1991.

The program calls for the installation of the image generation systems at NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston in the Shuttle Mission Training Facility and the future Space Station Training Facility, where astronauts currently receive shuttle training and where they will rehearse future space station operations.

Under the anticipated contract, Evans & Sutherland will initially provide five image generators, with options for eight additional image generators, and associated database and support services. The selection is the first for the company's new ESIG-3000 image generator which was announced in June of this year.

''We feel that our selection by CAE-Link validates the new direction set by the ESIG-3000, and continues our history of involvement in space simulation,'' said Bob Schumacker, president of the Simulation Division. The company has provided visual systems to several other NASA facilities where they are used in shuttle engineering and advanced space and aeronautical research.

Evans & Sutherland designs, builds, sells and services interactive computing systems for vehicle training and for general engineering and scientific applications.

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CLEVELAND, OH (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - LDI Corporation (NASDAQ: LDIC) today announced record financial results for the second quarter and the six months ended July 31, 1990.

Net earnings for the second quarter increased 34 percent to $2,458,000 from $1,836,000 for the same period in 1989. For the six months, net

earnings totaled $4,522,000, an increase of 41 percent from the $3,209,000 reported for the comparable period in the prior year.

On a per share basis, second quarter earnings were 38 cents, an increase of 15 percent over the prior year's second quarter, on 15 percent more average shares outstanding. For the six months, earnings per share totaled 70 cents versus 60 cents earned in the comparable period in 1989, on 20 percent more average shares outstanding. The increase in average shares resulted from a common stock issue of 1.3 million shares, completed during the second quarter of 1989.

Revenues for the second quarter increased 13 percent to $98,756,000 compared with $87,170,000 for the same quarter last year. Revenues for the six months were $180,158,000, a 21 percent increase from the corresponding period last year when revenues totaled $148,580,000.

Commenting on the second quarter performance, LDI chairman and chief executive officer Robert S. Kendall, said, ''These results demonstrate margin improvement and continued success of our strategy to diversify our product and services to customers, and to maintain a strong, conservative financial foundation to support those services. ''Our product and technical support array in data processing, telecommunications, high tech equipment, and selected capital goods is now one of the broadest available anywhere,'' Kendall said. ''All major business segments have maintained good performance levels during the first six months of 1990.

''At the same time, our strong balance sheet gives us great flexibility for the future,'' Kendall added.

LDI Corporation, with headquarters in Cleveland, leases and sells a full range of new and used data processing, telecommunications and other high technology equipment, and provides maintenance, disaster recovery, technical support and related services. The Company's products include mainframe and mid-range central processing equipment and peripheral devices, as well as personal computers, telecommunications equipment, computerized medical diagnostic systems, and selected capital equipment. LDI is also an active dealer in the secondary market for used data processing, telecommunications and related equipment.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Peerless Mfg. Co. (OTC) Dallas

Manufacturer of separators and filters for the petroleum and chemical processing industries and environmental equipment announces earnings of $1.93 per share for its fiscal year ended June 30, compared to earnings of 7 cents per share in the previous year.

These earnings are based on the increased number of shares existing July 20, when a three for two stock split was effected. Using the shares actually outstanding at June 30. Earnings per share were $2.90 and 10 cents for fiscal 1990 and fiscal 1989, respectively.

Both sales and earnings figures were record numbers for the company. During fiscal 1990, the company benefited from the utilization of a net operating loss carryforward, which resulted in an extraordinary credit of 41 cents per share.

Peerless' backlog of orders at July 1, 1990 was about $12,700,000 compared to a backlog of some $10,822,000 on July 1, 1989.

	June 30,	
	1990	1989
Sales	$ 25,886,891	$ 14,431,862
Earnings before extraordinary item	2,146,826	76,006
Extraordinary item	589,546	15,229
Net earnings	2,736,372	91,235
Earnings per common share Earnings before extraordinary item	$1.52	$0.05
Extraordinary item	$0.41	$0.02
Net earnings	$1.93	$0.07

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FORT WORTH (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE:PIR) announced Wednesday that net income for the company's second quarter ended

Sept. 1, 1990 is expected to be 7 cents to 8 cents per share, down from last year's results for the second quarter ended August 26, 1989, when the company's net income available to common shareholders was $7,227,000 or 20 cents per share.

''Sales for the quarter were below our levels of expectations with August sales of existing stores estimated to be 7 percent to 8 percent under last year's results,'' said Clark A. Johnson, chairman and chief executive officer.

''The August slowdown coincided with problems in the Mideast as customers deferred home furnishing purchases until the situation stabilizes. In particular, California and the Northeast were areas of slower sales activity with furniture and related accessory items feeling the major impact of diminished store traffic in affected markets,'' Johnson stated.

Sales for the second quarter will be released on Sept. 12, 1990 and earnings for the quarter will be released Sept. 27, 1990.

The company also announced that it expanded the Pier 1 Imports stock repurchase program from 2 million shares to 4 million shares. Since Dec., 1989, when the program was intitially announced, the company has acquired approximately 700,000 shares above normal requirements.

Pier 1 Imports is a specialty retailer of decorative home furnishings and related items with 535 stores in North America.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Neolens Inc. (NASDAQ:NEOL), a Miami based company, announced Wednesday that it will debut a new tintable, abrasion resistant ophthalmic polycarbonate lens at a major trade exposition in California.

Neolens' finished single vision polycarbonate lens, already recognized for its superior optics, will soon offer superior abrasion resistance and tintability when coated with the company's new proprietary coating ''Neocoat Gold.''

Polycarbonate lens coatings typically do not tint to sunglass shades, but ''Neocoat Gold'' tints from fashion shades to sunglass shades in minutes

using standard dyes and techniques. Combined with exceptional abrasion resistance on both front and back lens surfaces, ''Neocoat Gold'' will enable Neolens to provide the optical industry with a high quality 76mm finished single vision polycarbonate lens.

Neolens, a manufacturer of polycarbonate ophthalmic lenses, will introduce ''Neocoat Gold'' at the Vision Expo West in Anaheim, Calif. Sept. 7-9. It will mark the company's first participation in this major trade show.

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WEST BEND, WIS. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Gehl Co. and Allied Industrial Workers Local 579 Wednesday announced the ratification of a new three-year contract covering the company's 550 hourly West Bend plant employees.

Gehl Co. is a leading manufacturer of agricultural and light industrial and construction equipment.

The contract is structured to support implementation of the company's new programs to become competitive worldwide. These world class manufacturing programs include multiple skill development of employees, cellular manufacturing, and the creation of focused factories that produce similar types of equipment. The agreement also includes provisions for improvements in wages and benefits, and the phase-out of a two-tiered wage system by Jan. 1, 1992.

''The agreement is a win-win situation for all of us, a real partnership '' said Bernie Nielsen, Gehl president and chief executive officer. ''It marks a new beginning for us as we put programs into place that will improve the quality of work life here at Gehl Co., allow us to better serve our customers and to compete with the best capital goods equipment manufacturers in the world.''

Gehl Co. (NASDAQ:GEHL) produces a broad line of niche capital goods equipment used worldwide in the agricultural and light industrial and construction industries. Founded in 1859, the company is headquartered in West Bend, with manufacturing facilities in West Bend; Yankton and Madison, S.D.; and Myerstown, Pa.

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FARMINGTON, CONN. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Otis GmbH (Otis Germany) has signed an agreement in Berlin to acquire a majority interest in an elevator manufacturer in East Germany.

The company, Berliner Aufzugs- und Fahrtreppenbau GmbH (BAF), with 1,000 employees, is a subsidiary of TAKRAF Schwermaschinenbau AG, a government-owned conglomerate.

BAF, which supplies and services electric passenger and freight elevators in East Germany, operates two manufacturing facilities in East Berlin and several branch offices in East Germany. The operations will manufacture, install and maintain elevator equipment using Otis designs, manufacturing technology, and installation and maintenance methods.

''With Germany moving rapidly toward full unification, this acquisition positions Otis to capitalize on emerging growth opportunities in the region,'' said Otis Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer J.P. van Rooy.

Otis, the largest elevator manufacturer in Western Europe, has been expanding its presence in Eastern Europe. In recent weeks the company announced separate agreements to establish manufacturing joint ventures in the Soviet Union and Hungary.

Otis is the world's largest elevator company. Revenues in 1989 totaled $3.3 billion, of which 70 percent came from outside of the United States. Otis employs 50,000 people at operations on every continent, including more than 20,000 in Europe, and offers its products for sale in 163 countries.

Otis is a wholly owned subsidiary of United Technologies Corp. United Technologies provides a broad range of products and support services to the aerospace, building systems and automotive industries.

The Hartford, Conn.-based corporation's best known products, in addition to Otis elevators, include Pratt & Whitney aircraft engines, Carrier heating and air conditioning systems, Sikorsky helicopters, Hamilton Standard aerospace systems, Norden defense systems and United Technologies Automotive components and systems.

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Marcy Cain, 203/676-5403
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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Wednesday announced a three-cent decrease in the domestic spot selling price of electrolytic copper.

Its new price, which is effective immediately, is $1.31 per pound for cathodes on a delivered basis.

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Gerard F. Corbett, 212/510-1810

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Rochester Gas and Electric Corp. has announced that the company is seeking proposals from interested parties to meet its future electricity requirements.

RG&E is requesting 70,000 kilowatts of supply or demand -side capacity, to be available no later than May 1, 1994.

The company is participating in a state-wide program called ''all-source bidding.'' The program, instituted by the New York State Public Service Commission, states that RG&E will accept bids from parties who can successfully show they can either provide generation that meets the requirements or a program that will reduce the amount of electricity (demand) that the company forecasts for 1994 through 2008.

Potential bidders may include large existing RG&E customers, independent power producers, co-generators, architect/engineering firms, contractors, developers and other utilities.

Proposals will be accepted for demand-side projects offering up to 20,000 kilowatts of capacity savings and supply-side projects offering up to 50,000 kilowatts of capacity. Demand-side projects must exceed 100 kilowatts and be located within RG&E's service territory.

The main objective of ''all-source bidding'' is to give utilities alternatives to their traditional methods of meeting electric demands. In the past, utilities, including RG&E, purchased turbine generators to have on hand for occasional summertime peaks or an emergency shutdown of a major plant. In recent years, the cost of purchasing and operating power plants has increased, leading to an interest in exploring other ways to meet demand.

''We have been studying alternate sources since the mid 1980's,'' said Paul G. Ruganis, RG&E's manager of corporate planning. ''There are many innovative ways out there and it is our desire to explore them,'' Ruganis said.

Along with price, reliability will be a key factor RG&E will be looking for in determining a new contractor. If RG&E is relying on these contractors to supply electricity, or reduce their usage, the company must be certain that the source is dependable for the present and the future.

RG&E is planning to solicit bidders starting the first week of September.

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VIENNA, VA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - LEGENT Corp. (NASDAQ: LGNT) Wednesday announced that its Multi-image Manager product will support IBM's Enterprise Systems Architecture/390.

IBM has provided LEGENT with information that will allow the company to ensure that Multi-image Manager exploits the architecture's new connectivity capabilities to allow sites to share resources across mainframe images.

Enterprise Systems Architecture/390, as defined by IBM, includes sysplex, a combination of hardware and software facilities that an installation uses to couple MV's systems together.

In a sysplex environment or any other configuration, Multi-image Manager provides that ability to safely share resources across images to provide the transparent access required for single-image view of the enterprise. Sharing resources improves service and cost-efficiency. Multi-image Manager protects DASD integrity, provides global tape allocation control, and consolidates consoles.

''IBM's sysplex initiative will provide IS organizations with the ability to dramatically increase computing power and improve the sharing of computing facilities and communications among users,'' said Joe M. Henson, LEGENT's chief executive officer. ''Using LEGENT's Multi-image Manager in a sysplex environment will enable our clients to take advantage of the new architecture immediately.''

To fully support sysplex, LEGENT will:

-Enhance Multi-image Manager to support IBM's Cross-System Coupling Facility (XCF), which will be available in a new release of MVS (MVS/ESA SP4.1), scheduled for 1990 delivery. Multi-image Manager currently supports communication via channel-to-channel (CTC) paths and DASD.

-Expand L-Comm, LEGENT's Intersystem Communication Facility, to support XCF in addition to VTAM.

These enhancements will allow data centers to create a single point for controlling multiple sysplexes (groups of coupled processors). Using Multi-image Manager and L-Comm, a site can consolidate system information from various sysplexes on to a single console. This capability enhances coordination and increases control, efficiency, and service.

Multi-image Manager is designed for sites with two or more physical CPUs running MVS or VM, or sites with CPUs logically partitioned under VM, PR/SM, or MDF. The annual lease price for Multi-image Manager starts at $10,900 and is based on CPU class.

LEGENT Corp. is a leading international supplier of systems software and services for the management and operations of IS enterprises. The comany's solutions are designed for IS organizations supporting heterogeneous networks managed by IBM mainframes. With headquarters located in Vienna, LEGENT employs nearly 1,000 individuals, serving 3,500 customers worldwide.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Bernard Chaus Inc. (NYSE:CHS), Wednesday reported results for its fourth fiscal quarter and year ended June 30, 1990.

Bernard Chaus, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, ''We are pleased to report that for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, net sales increased 9 percent to $291.1 million versus $268.0 million last year. Earnings were $0.08 per share or $1.5 million versus a loss of $3.3 million or $0.18 per share last year.

''During the fourth quarter we reduced inventories, built cash balances and ended the year without any bank debt.''

Bernard Chaus Inc. is one of the largest producers of updated, moderately priced women's sportswear, sold in major department and specialty stores throughout the United States. Its common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CHS.

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WESTFIELD, MA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Stanhome Inc. (N.Y.S.E. "STH") has declared a quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share, payable Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 19, 1990. Stanhome has paid dividends for 55 consecutive years.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Dun & Bradstreet Software (D&B Software) announced today that its Millenium (M) and Expert (E) Series products are available immediately for the IBM Enterprise System/9000 family of processors.

The M and E Series products are families of financial, human resource, materials management, manufacturing and higher education software and related tools that provide a competitive advantage to more than 10,000 customers worldwide.

IBM ES/9000 is IBM's new family of processors for the 1990s, offering the extensive growth and performance benefits of Enterprise Systems Architecture/390 (ESA/390).

''The ES/9000 is a step toward the kind of enterprise connectivity and communication that IBM's Systems Application Architecture promises for our customers,'' said Jim Henderson, D&B Software executive vice president for marketing and technology.

In conjunction with related IBM announcements, D&B Software announced it is fully supporting the AD/Cycle architecture and plans to make use of the Repository Manager in its future architecture. D&B Software also intends to support the SAA Delivery Manager strategy announced by IBM.

D&B Software, a division of The Dun & Bradstreet Corp., is the world's largest provider of financial, human resource, materials management, manufacturing and higher education software solutions, tools and services. D&B Software was formed in 1990 by the merger of two software industry giants, Management Science America Inc. and McCormack & Dodge Corp. The company serves more than 10,000 customers worldwide, including 75 percent of the Fortune 500.

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George Cohen, 508/370-5146
Margot Carlson, 508/370-5143

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FARNBOROUGH AIR SHOW, UNITED KINGDOM (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Bell Helicopter Textron's intermediate twin-engined Model 230 will be built at the company's commercial helicopter facility near Montreal, Quebec, Canada Bell President L.M. (Jack) Horner confirmed Wednesday.

The Model 230, originally announced last fall, is a significantly updated version of the Bell Model 222. It will be the fifth production line to be built at Bell's Mirabel plant, joining the 206B Jet Ranger, 206L-3 LongRanger, 212 and 412SP models.

Horner said all Model 230 engineering is on schedule for completion in October. Two prototype aircraft will be at Mirabel October 1st. First flight is scheduled for summer 1991 with certification planned for the first quarter of 1992.

First deliveries will be made in August 1992, with Mitsui & Co., Ltd. of Tokyo, Japan serving as the launch customer with 20 aircraft on order, Horner stated. ''With its exceptional design, I am convinced the Model 230 will play a significant role in the twin-engine helicopter market for many years,'' Horner said.

The Model 230 will be available in both wheeled and skid gear versions. In an executive configuration, the Model 230 will seat two pilots and up to six passengers. The utility version can accommodate either nine persons or cargo. It is equipped with twin Allison 250-C30 G2 turbine engines, among the most reliable and proven engines in the aviation industry. These powerplants are from the 250 series which have over 50 million flight hours cumulatively.

Bell's Canadian plant, which first opened in December 1985, now accounts for approximately one-third of the world's production of commercial helicopters. In just over four years of operations, the Mirabel facility has manufactured and delivered 375 helicopters.

Bell Helicopter Textron is a subsidiary of Textron Inc., a multi-industry company with operations in three business sectors, Aerospace Technology, Commercial Products and Financial Services.

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Bob Leder, 817/280-8416

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GERMANTOWN, TN (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Community Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ:CBOG) Wednesday announced that its board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 6 cents per share, payable Sept. 28, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 15, 1990.

Community Bancshares Inc. is a bank holding company headquartered in Germantown, a separately incorporated municipality adjacent to Memphis. Community Bancshares' principal subsidiary is Community Bank of Germantown which serves Germantown and the Memphis area through seven branch locations.

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Donald E. Russell, 901/755-6067

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FERNANDINA BEACH, FLA. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Stephen Giordanella, president of American Body Armor & Equipment Inc. (NASDAQ:ABAE) announced Wednesday that the company has received an order of $587,000 from a Middle Eastern country.

The sources have indicated that if they are pleased with the quality and service, there may be a following larger order. However, there is no guarantee of a further order.

American Body Armor is a leading manufacturer of bullet resistant vests, tactical armor, armored vehicles, high speed armored patrol boats and structural armor.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Belvedere Corp. (AMEX: BLV), announced Wednesday that its board of directors has declared a dividend of $.01 per share.

The cash dividend is payable on Oct. 3, to shareholders of record on Sept. 19.

Belvedere Corp., through its major subsidiary, Belvedere America

Reinsurance Co., a U.S. company , is engaged primarily in the writing of property and casualty reinsurance.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Blue Circle Industries PLC announces the unaudited results of the Group for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

The main figures are:

	Six Month Ended June 30,		Year Ended December 31,
	1990	1989	1989
	(in pounds)		(in pounds)
Profit before tax	93.0	100.3m	231.8m
Earnings per share			
- basic	11.3p	12.5p	29.5p
- fully diluted	10.6p	11.5p	27.0p
Dividends	3.75p	3.5p	11.0p

The main contributions towards the Group operating profit of 94.4 million pounds in the half year were as follows: -- U.K. Cement's profits were reduced from 53.5 million pounds to 37.2 million pounds in a market estimated to be down by over 10 percent. -- Home Products division's profits, in markets affected by high interest rates, increased from 16.4 million pounds to 22.1 million pounds, including Myson for the first time. -- Property profits were reduced from 7.5 million pounds to 5.7 million pounds, also in difficult trading conditions. -- United States profits of 4.6 million pounds were at the same level, in weak markets, as last year. -- Profits from other overseas countries amounted to 22.2 million pounds, the same level as last year which included Mexico.

The Group's gearing as of June 30, 1990 was 34.1 percent and operating cash flow remains strong.

Bluc Circle Industries PLC (BCI) is an international company principally engaged in the manufacture and sale of building materials and home products and in land and environmental activities.

BCI is the leading cement producer in the U.K. and one of the largest in the world; the company is a major force in the U.S building materials

market and a substantial manufacturer of building materials in Chile, Asia and Africa.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Petroleum Corp. (NASDAQ:AIPN) announced Wednesday that it will commence production of its Toqui-Toqui field in Colombia, South America, on Friday, Sept. 7, 1990.

On Sept. 3, 1990, the Colombian Ministry of Mines and Energy signed its authorization for the initiation of production of crude oil from the field.

The company also announced that a sales contract has been executed with the Colombian national oil company, Ecopetrol, which provides for the purchase of all crude produced from the Toqui-Toqui field. The purchase price will be set monthly based on a basket of world market crudes.

This formula currently would yield a price of approximately $27 per bbl. The company may elect to receive up to 75 percent of its revenue in dollars with the remainder to be paid in Colombian pesos. Transportation to Ecopetrol's refinery has been arranged through a pipeline owned by Texaco which can immediately accept up to 1,500 barrels per day from the field.

The Toqui-Toqui oil field currently consists of 4 wells which have been drilled and successfully completed. Seismic analysis of the field indicates that up to an additional 25 wells may be drilled in the field.

Applications have already been submitted for the drilling of eight additional offset wells which are expected to be drilled within the next 12 months. The company owns a 45 percent working interest in the field and its wells with a 90 percent interest in one well until 200 percent payout.

The Puli contract area currently comprises about 94,000 acres of land in the Middle Magdalena River basin approximately 50 air miles west of Bogota. The Toqui-Toqui field covers only a portion of the contract area. Seismic work has been undertaken in another prospect of the contract area known as the Puli anticline, about 15 km. northeast of the Toqui-Toqui field.

The company and its partners are currently drilling an exploration well at that location.

American International Petroleum Corp. is engaged in refining, oil and natural gas production, transportation, exploration, and marketing activities in Louisiana, Texas and Kentucky as well as Colombia.

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AUSTIN, TX (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - In a 3-0 vote Wednesday the Public Utility Commission of Texas assigned Gulf States Utilities Co.'s request for a temporary $56.5 million rate increase to the PUCT hearings division.

The commissioners instructed the staff to establish an expedited hearing schedule, adhering as closely as possible to the schedule proposed by the PUCT general counsel. That schedule called for a decision in November.

GSU filed a motion with the PUCT in late July asking for the temporary rate increase to cover increases in operating costs without considering the portion of River Bend costs not already in rates. A company official said Gulf States decided to proceed with the request for a temporary rate increase because of the long delay in the rate case filed in March 1989. The pending rate case remains in suspension, while the Texas Supreme Court considers whether the River Bend prudence portion of that case may be considered by the PUCT.

The court is expected to issue its first set of decisions since returning from summer recess Thursday (Sept. 6), but it is not known whether the GSU issue will be included.

State law gives the PUCT the discretion to grant temporary rates when a case is in suspension.

If the $56.5 million temporary rate request is granted, the typical GSU residential customer will pay $87.18 for 1,000 kilowatt- hours of electricity. Rates would be about 10 percent higher than the $79.12 presently paid for 1,000 kilowatt-hours.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM Wednesday announced new System Application Architecture(a) (SAA)(a) versions of its ImagePlus(a) family of products.

SAA is IBM's set of guidelines and protocols for developing applications that run on IBM's major operating system. The SAA applications expand IBM's current ImagePlus offerings with new image features such as support for color and gray-scale images and high-speed capture of large volumes of documents. Enhanced software programs support more efficient workflow management schedules in both IBM MVS/ESA(a) and AS/400(a) environments. Users now have more options to integrate image processing quickly and easily into their existing data bases. The company also announced that the IBM System/390(a) will provide high-end users of ImagePlus with improved system management, greater levels of response and faster imaging networks. Collectively, these announcements help strengthen

IBM's leadership in the imaging industry. ImagePlus is IBM's system solution designed to provide users image processing capabilities to help streamline paper-intensive operations. Today, more than 100 ImagePlus systems are installed and improving productivity and customer service, in banks and insurance companies, government agencies, hospitals, manufacturers, retailers and transportation companies.

''The SAA versions of ImagePlus allow us to take full advantage of both architecture and system design in order to provide customers greater imaging function,'' said Mark F. Morin, vice president - Image Solutions at IBM. ''ImagePlus will continue to anticipate and address the image application needs of our customers.''

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NEW HYDE PARK, NY (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Bamberger Polymers Inc. (ASE:BPI), an international plastics merchant and producer of custom resin compounds, Wednesday announced a number of executive appointments in connection with the restructuring of its Domestic Operations.

Lawrence M. Ubertini, senior executive vice president of the company, has been appointed president of Bamberger's Domestic Operations and will immediately assume these additional responsibilities.

The company also announced the following appointments: Frank J. Padula, executive vice president, will now assume the additional responsibilities of senior executive vice president,domestic operations; Dennis Don, corporate vice president Midwest Region, will take on the additional responsibilities of National Sales management; Christine A. Levy has been named vice president, Credit collection. Levy has held positions of

increasing responsibility throughout her 13 years with the company.

In addition, Steven M. Goldberg has joined the company as divisional vice president, Northeast Region. He has 20 years of experience in the plastics industry; Robert W. Wright has joined as the product manager in charge of both polypropylene and polystyrene businesses. He has been in the plastics industry for approximately 20 years.

Fred Garcia, president and chief exeuctive officer, commented that these new appointments and assignment of additional responsibilities will bring a more intense focus on the importance of the company's domestic business and enable Bamberger to aggressively expand its business in this area.

Bamberger Polymers is an international plastics merchant involved in compounding, distribution and sales of thermoplastic resins, the raw materials for a broad range of plastic products.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM Wednesday announced that Systematica(a) has become an AD/Cycle(a) business partner, with an agreement to bring its Virtual Software Factory(a) (VSF(a)) analyst tool to IBM's Operating System/2(a) Extended Edition (OS/2(a) EE) and Presentation Manager(a).

Systematica also will work with IBM to create a CASE tool, which will conform to AD/Cycle, that supports a unique IBM internal application development requirement for business and data modeling. The agreement further calls for Systematica to bring its VSF technology to IBM's AIX(a) and RISC SYSTEM/6000(a) platforms, and to enable its HOOD-SF(a) analyst tool on AIX. HOOD is the European industry standard methodology for aerospace and defense projects.

As part of IBM's Systems Application Architecture(a), AD/Cycle products and services help increase the quality and productivity of programmer applications. They come from IBM and AD/Cycle business partners.

Systematica's Virtual Software Factory allows CASE tool builders to create ''analyst workbenches,'' software products that define and automate the business-modeling and business-requirements phases of application development. With these analyst workbenches, programmers can create

pictorial and graphical representations of customers' application development requirements.

''We are delighted to have Systematica join IBM and our other AD/cycle business partners in meeting customer requirements for specific application development support,'' said Earl F. Wheeler, IBM senior vice president and general manager, Programming Systems.

''Systematica is proud to be a key part of IBM's application development strategies for both Systems Application Architecture and AIX platforms,'' said Andrew Wells, founder and chief executive of Systematica. ''VSF was selected by IBM for its ability to provide solutions to IBM customer requirements in both environments: AD/Cycle and AIX CASE.''

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LONDON (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Barclays de Zoete Wedd (BZW), the international investment banking and brokerage arm of the Barclays Group, made the following announcements earlier Wednesday in London:

1. BZW has formed an information technology group within its corporate finance division to be headed by Laslo Gross.

2. The Barclays Group has signed an agreement to buy 60 percent of E J McConnell & Associates Ltd., one of Canada's most highly rated independent fund managers.

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SOUTH WINDSOR, CT (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - At the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Gerber Scientific Inc., held Wednesday, Sept. 5, 1990, at the Sheraton Hotel in Windsor Locks, Conn., shareholders elected H. Joseph Gerber as a director to serve until 1993.

Gerber, chairman of the board and president, has been a director of the company since its incorporation in 1948.

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OSWEGO, NY (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The Nine Mile Point Two Nuclear Station begins its first refueling outage Wednesday following an operational run of 100 consecutive days.

Partial replacement of the plant's 764 fuel assemblies is one of the major activities to be conducted during the 92-day outage.

Plant refueling will take place over 40 days beginning with an eight-day period to remove existing fuel from the reactor vessel.

''The 23 days in which the reactor will be empty of fuel will be used to complete maintenance work on reactor systems and surveillance tests,'' said Outage Manager Donald A. Lee.

Approximately 196 uranium fuel bundles will be replaced in the plant's reactor, Lee said. The reloading of fuel, he said, is expected to take nine days.

About 500 workers will perform work that will include 38 modifications to plant systems; 1,200 surveillance tests; and 1,600 work requests. Lee said the outage schedule projects that about 350,000 hours of work will be completed on systems in the plant's reactor and turbine buildings.

Since January 1990, the plant has achieved an availability factor of 82 percent, providing power to the state energy grid 29 out of 36 weeks.

The 1,080-megawatt unit began commercial operation on April 5, 1988. The plant's second refueling outage is scheduled to begin in March 1992.

Unit Two is owned by Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. (41 percent) (NYSE: NMK) New York State Electric and Gas (18 percent), Long Island Lighting Co. (18 percent), Rochester Gas and Electric Corp. (14 percent) and Central Hudson Gas and Electric Corp. (9 percent).

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MONTVALE, N.J. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Mercedes-Benz of North America

reported sales of 6,400 new cars in August, compared with 6,776 cars sold a year ago, due to low dealer inventories of 1990 models.

The company's 1991 model year began Sept. 1, two months earlier than the 1990 model year.

Current year-to-date sales totaled 48,991 cars, compared to 49,444 in the same period a year earlier, a difference of 0.9 percent.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Forest City Enterprises Inc. (AMEX:FCEA and FCEB) President Albert B. Ratner Wednesday announced that gross revenues for the six months ended July 31, 1990, were $181,680,000 compared with $153,922,000 for the corresponding period in 1989, an increase of 18 percent.

Cash flow from continuing operations increased 11 percent to $21,130,000, or $2.35 per share, compared with $19,058,000, or $2.40 per share for the corresponding period in 1989. The reduction in cash flow per share has been affected by the increase in shares due to the conversion of debentures.

Earnings from continuing operations were $2,043,000 or 23 cents per share, compared with a loss of $389,000, or (5 cents) per share, for the first six months of the prior year. A loss on the sale of rental properties of $173,000 was recorded, or (2 cents) per share, compared with a gain on the sale of rental properties as of July 31, 1989, of $1,566,000, or 20 cents.

Forest City Enterprises Inc. and Subsidiaries
Financial Highlights
For the Period Ended July 31, 1990 and 1989
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended July 31,		
	1990	1989	Percent Inc (Dec)
Sales and operating revenues			
Forest City Enterprises Inc.	$33,240	$20,281	63.9
Forest City Rental Properties Corp.	66,466	57,645	15.3
Consolidated sales and operating revenues	$99,706	$77,926	27.9
Cash flow from operations(a)(b)	11,180	10,065	11.1

Operating earings (loss), net of tax	3,073	811	278.9
Gain (loss) on disposition of properties and other provisions, net of tax	(322)	68	
Net earnings	$ 2,751	879	213.0
Per common share			
Cash flow from operations(a)(b)	$ 1.24	$ 1.27	(2.4)
Operating earnings (loss), net of tax	$ 0.35	$ 0.10	250.0
Gain (loss) on disposition of properties and other provisions, net of tax	(0.04)	0.01	
Net earnings	$ 0.31	$ 0.11	181.8
Weighted average shares outstanding	8,991,614	7,952,716	13.1

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CHERRY HILL, N.J. (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - George T. Muller has been appointed chief financial officer, succeeding Marvin S. Riesenbach, who has announced plans for his retirement, effective Oct. 31.

Muller will retain his current title and responsibilities as group vice president- finance and accounting in addition to serving as interim president of the company's financial subsidiary, Subaru Financial Services.

He is also a memeber of the company's executive committee and board member of Subaru's investment subsidiary, Subaru Investment Holding Co.

Muller, 41, joined the company in 1979, rising through the finance and accounting ranks to become group vice president- finance and accounting for Subaru of America in 1986, responsible for the company's finance, treasury, accounting, tax and internal audit areas.

As interim president of Subaru Financial Services, he oversees the subsidiary's function of providing financing to retail customers and Subaru dealers, as well as extended service contracts and credit life insurance for buyers of Subaru automobiles.

Riesenbach, 60, said he had been contemplating early retirement to pursue other business interests, and that the finalization of the recently completed merger with Fuji Heavy Industries Ltd. presented an appropriate time to announce his plans.

Riesenbach, who lives in Cherry Hill, N.J., joined Subaru of America in

1972 and rose to become executive vice president and chief financial officer in 1986.

In that capacity, he was responsible for all of the company's financial, accounting, budgeting, planning, legal, insurance and investor relations areas as well as the Subaru of America Foundation, which supports community service, charity and cultural activities. Riesenbach, in addition, oversaw Subaru Financial Services.

Prior to Muller's tenure at Subaru, he was vice president- finance administration and chief financial officer for an automotive parts distributor located in Cherry Hill, N.J. He began his career as a certified public accountant with the public accounting firm of Arthur Andersen & Co. in Philadelphia. He and his wife have two daughters and live in Voorhees, N.J.

Subaru of America Inc. markets Subaru vehicles and replacement parts throughout the United States and the Caribbean through a regional network serving over 700 dealers and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Fuji Heavy Industries Ltd. of Japan.

CONTACT: Subaru of America, Cherry Hill
Daniel J. Dalton, 609/488-3358

-30- 2719
#90248b0885 09/05/1990 ~Business Wire

CHARDON, OH (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Essef Corp. today announced that it has obtained an extension of its waiver of compliance relating to the interest coverage covenant from its bank group for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This waiver is effective until Sept. 30, 1990, by which time the company will have completed its evaluation of a number of options to minimize present operating losses, particularly in the business machine and computer segment.

CONTACT: Essef Corp., Chardon
John B. Calfee Jr., 216/286-2200

-30- 687
#90248b0894 09/05/1990 ~Business Wire

LONDON (SEPT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - British Gas (NYSE:BRG) today announced revised charges for transporting gas through its pipeline network for competing organizations selling gas to industrial and commercial consumers during the year starting October 1, 1990. Charges payable in the 1990/91 year are lower than those for the previous year.

In today's publication of the Gas Transportation Services offered by British Gas, detailed tables of charges give the latest costs for transporting gas from the four terminals normally used for supplying gas to typical locations in Great Britain. The tables, which give charges for different types of loads at a range of load factors, allow potential competing gas supply organizations to assess the likely cost of supply and to compare directly the effect of the revised charges.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers.

British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore. Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to ten ordinary shares.

CONTACT: Gavin Anderson Doremus & Company, New York
Mr. Fred Fajardo, 212/921-1060
or
British Gas Plc, London
Dr. Bob South, 011-4471-821-1444

-30- 1895
#90248c0002 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at that trade in Calmat Co. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE ticker symbol CMZ.

-30- 293
#90248c0004 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 30:

Trinity Acquisition Corp. - Uts., Cl. A, Cl. B Wts. 8/29/94 (TACO)

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#90248c0005 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the

NASDAQ system effective Sept. 4:

Bank of Southington (TBOS); Insufficient number of active market makers
Cherokee Inc. - Cl. B (CHKEB); Issue postponed, security never quoted
Codenoll Technology Corp. (CODNW); Warrants expire 9/10/90
Coradian Corp. (CDIN); Acquired by Mitel Inc.
Intl Lease Finance Corp. Wts. 8/31/94 (ILFC); Acquired by American Intl Group
Inc.

Mutual Federal Savings Bank, A Stock Corp. (MFBZ); Acquired by Park Natl Corp.

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Aug. 31:

Subaru of America Inc. (SBRU); Acquired by Fuji Heavy Industries Inc.
Vintage Group Inc. (VINTE); Not current in required filings

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#90248c0006 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 4:

Home Federal S&L Assn of San Francisco (HFSF) to Home Federal Financial Corp.
Homecall Inc. - Wts. 9/10/90 (HCLLW) to Homecall Inc. - Wts. 6/30/91
Horizon Gold Shares Inc. (HRIZ) to Horizon Gold Corp.
Irwin Union Corp. (IUCO) to Irwin Financial Corp. (IRWN)
Polymerix Inc. - Cl. A Wts. 9/9/90 (PLXXW) to Polymerix Inc. - Cl. A Wts. 6/29/91

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#90248c0007 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at that trade in Pier One Imports has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol PIR.

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#90248c0008 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Calmat Co. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CZM. Trading was resumed at 10:24.

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#90248c0009 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Pier 1 Imports Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol PIR. Trading was resumed at 11:00.

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#90248c0010 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Home Federal Savings Bank of Missouri (TICKER: HFMO) earned $418,000, or $0.16 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $677,000 for the same period in 1989.

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#90248c0012 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Stor Furnishings Intl.(TICKER: STOR) lost $1.64 million, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $22.71 million for the quarter ended July 20, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $4.10 million, or $1.04 per share, on revenues of $16.26 million for the quarter ended July 21, 1989.

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#90248c0013 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Regional Federal Bancorp (TICKER: RFBI) earned $4.05 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $3.92 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90248c0014 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Home Federal Savings Bank of Georgia (TICKER: HFGA) earned $158,905, or $0.08 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $187,809, or $0.10 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90248c0015 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Cardiotronics Systems lost $191,930 or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $66,812 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $4,057, at an unknown price per share, on revenues for the same period in 1989.

-30- 451

#90248c0016 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Writer Corp.(TICKER: WRTC) earned $3.34 million, or $0.76 per share, on revenues of $7.90 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $1.09 million, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $4.58 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 471

#90248c0017 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT.5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Standard Oil & Exploration of Delaware Inc.(TICKER: STDO) declared a five per cent stock dividend to shareholders, effective Sept. 7, 1990.

Prior to disbursement of the dividend shares, the company had 847,103 shares outstanding.

After completion of the dividend Standard Oil & Exploration of Delaware Inc. will have 889,458 shares outstanding.

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#90248c0018 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Heritage Financial Corp.(TICKER: HFHC) announced a consolidated net loss of $1.7 million for the second quarter and a year-to-date consolidated net loss of $2.5 million.

Loan and real estate net losses were reported at $1.6 million and $2.5 million, respectively, for the second quarter and the year-to-date.

Additionally, Heritage Financial Corp. entered an agreement with the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) to consider certain capital-raising measures, possibly including a merger, consolidation, or transfer of assets and liabilities brought to Heritage for consideration by OTS.

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#90248c0020 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M.A. KARP OWNS 99,700 SHARES (6.10%) OF FARADYNE ELECTRONICS CORP (TICKER: FARA) OF BELLEVILLE, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

M.A. Karp purchased 99,700 shares from June 12 to Aug. 28, 1990 for $4.13 to $6.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90248c0021 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY PRIMERICA CORP OF GREENWICH, CT OWNS 683,912 SHARES (10.00%) OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC (TICKER: JEFG) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 23, 1990, Associated sold all the stock of PennCorp Financial Inc. to PCF Acquisition Co. and Primerica Life sold the stock of Pennsylvania Life Insurance Co. to RDI Life Insurance Co., a subsidiary of PCF Acquisition, which included $2,690,000 in 7 percent convertible notes and $14 million in 8.5 percent convertible debentures of Jeffries Group Inc. Primerica Corp. have retained $6 million in the 7 percent notes and $9,730,000 of Jeffries Group Inc.'s debentures.

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#90248c0022 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

N.R. HARRIS OWNS 2,940,000 SHARES (36.34%) OF MID-AMERICA RACING STABLES INC (TICKER: RACE) OF NORMAN, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

A stock purchase and option agreement was made and entered into on April 18, 1990, by and between Mid-America Racing Stables Inc. and Wayne S. Davis, Louis Cal Lalanne, and Norris R. Harris granting to the above purchasers an option to purchase 1,200,000 shares of common stock in Mid-America Racing Stables Inc. for $300,000 in cash on April 23, 1990; second option to purchase 1,200,000 shares of common stock in Mid-America Racing Stables Inc. at $.25 per share or $300,000 in cash for a period of 60 days from April 18, 1990; a third option which is subject to consummation of the purchase of the second option, of an additional 4,000,000 shares at $.25 per share for cash and property for a period of 180 days commencing April 18, 1990. N.R. Harris are acting as a group and together hold 5,740,000 shares, representing 70.95 percent of the outstanding common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 20-27, 1990, N.R. Harris acquired 2,940,000 shares of Mid-America Racing Stable Inc.'s common stock at a price of $.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Stock purchase and option agreement.

-30- 1446
#90248c0023 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

D.P. GORDON OWNS 711,029 SHARES (8.20%) OF BTR REALTY INC (TICKER: BTRI) OF LINTHICUM, MD.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Gordon has the sole power to vote and dispose of 2,151 shares of common stock owned by him.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 20, 1990, Mr. Gordon purchased on the open market 1,000 shares of common stock at $4.125 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 567
#90248c0024 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ESTATE OF J.D. WEST OWNS 568,018 SHARES (5.50%) OF MANITOWOC CO INC (TICKER: MANT) OF MANITOWOC, WI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The purpose of the transfer of the securities from the decedent, John D. West, into his estate was in compliance with normal procedure. The personal representative of the Estate of John D. West has the responsibility and authority to hold all properties of the decedent until such time as it is distributed in accordance with his will, sold, or otherwise disposed of.

PURPOSE:

Transfer of securities in compliance with normal procedure due to death.

-30- 797
#90248c0025 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY G. SOROS OWNS 1,452,000 SHARES (5.50%) OF SENSORMATIC ELECTRONICS CORP (TICKER: SNSR) OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Messrs. Soros and Chatterjee have entered into the agreement dated March 23, 1989 in relation to an investment in securities of Sensormatic Electronics Corp. pursuant to which, Mr. Soros will provide all funds for purchase of the shares covered by the agreement and Mr. Chatterjee will furnish recommendations concerning transactions in the shares, but will not exercise any dispositive or voting powers with respect to such shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 23 and 31, 1990, G. Soros purchased 90,000 shares at a price of $11.81 to $13.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 951
#90248c0026 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M. ARONSON OWNS 1,935,000 SHARES (33.30%) OF AMERICAN SPORTS ADVISORS INC (TICKER: PIKS)

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Jan. 8, 1990, the board of American Sports Advisors Inc. passed a resolution to reverse split the outstanding shares of American Sports Advisors Inc. from 8,511,967 shares to 851,197 shares. M. Aronson acquired 1,935,000 common shares of American Sports Advisors Inc. on Jan. 26, 1990 in exchange for a 45 percent stake in Great American Pastime Inc. As a result of the changeover of control of American Sports Advisors Inc., Charles Aronson, Theodore Wexler, and M. Aronson became the directors of American Sports Advisors Inc.

PURPOSE:

The shares were acquired as part of the acquisition of a company, which was 45 percent owned by M. Aronson.

-30- 987
#90248c0028 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

MICROWAVE ENGINEERING CORP OF NORTH ANDOVER, MA OWNS 261,500 SHARES (18.60%) OF WESTERN MICROWAVE INC (TICKER: WMIC).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Microwave Engineering Corp. intends to enter into negotiations with the board of Western Microwave Inc. with a view towards acquiring 100 percent of the outstanding capital stock of Western Microwave Inc. at $2 per share.

PURPOSE:

Possible acquisition of Western Microwave Inc.

-30- 635
#90248c0030 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:28 that trade in American International Petroleum Corp. (NASDAQ: AIPN) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 9/16, 9/32. The company is located in New York, NY.

-30- 390
#90248c0035 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in American Intl Petro Corp. has been resumed. The first bid was 5/8: up 1/16 from the halt, and unchanged from the previous close.

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#90248c0036 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Capitol Television Network lost $65,330 on revenues of $23 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Capital Television Network is a development stage enterprise and reported no figures for the corresponding time period in 1989.

It reports that it has yet to establish operations and will be dependent on additional capital funding to utilize and carry on its activities.

-30- 594
#90248c0037 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Wall to Wall Sound & Video (TICKER: WTWS) reported a first quarter loss of $6.01 million, or $1.13 per share, on revenues of $33.04 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $819,597, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $33.25 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 537
#90248c0038 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Piemonte Foods Inc.(TICKER: PIFI) lost $154,657 (including a loss of $2,1 million from discontinued operations), or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $22.59 million for the year ended June 2, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $83,691 (including a loss of $276,509 from discontinued operations), or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $22.64 million for the year ended June 3, 1989.

-30- 603

#90248c0039 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Consolidated Technology Inc. lost $77,438, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $851,586 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total profit of $134,463, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $1.08 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90248c0041 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Blue Ridge Real Estate (TICKER: BLRG) earned $342,531, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $16.43 million for the quarter ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a net profit of $1.87 million, or $0.85 per share, on revenues of $21.06 million for the year ended May 31, 1989.

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#90248c0042 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Independent Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: IBSI) earned $65,000, or $0.01 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net profit of $303,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $340,000), or $0.06 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 486

#90248c0043 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Leadville Corp.(TICKER: LEAD) lost $261,970, or $0.07 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $315,810, or $0.08 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

Leadville Corp. reports that in April, 1989, it reduced all operations to a standby mode and in February, 1990, reduced its activities to a care and maintenance operation.

-30- 617
#90248c0044 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Triton Energy Corp.(TICKER: OIL) $54.18 million (including a net gain of $593,000), or $2.93 per share, on revenues of $20.49 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $12.46 million (including an extraordinary gain of $534,000), or $0.87 per share, on revenues of $16.79 million for the year ended May 31, 1989.

-30- 581
#90248c0045 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Novacare Inc.(TICKER: NVCR) earned $12.38 million, or $0.87 per share, on revenues of $102.11 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net profit of $5.11 million, or $0.38 per share, on revenues of $69.98 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 508
#90248c0046 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Chemex Pharmaceuticals Inc.(TICKER: CHMX) lost $1.86 million, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $11,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $2.19 million, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $34,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 488
#90248c0047 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Marcus Corp.(TICKER: MRCS) earned $16.38 million on revenues of $176.59 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net profit of $15.32 million on revenues of $166.71 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 450
#90248c0049 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Donosphere Inc. replaced its former accountant, Arthur Anderson & Co., with the accounting firm of Ernst & Young, effective Aug. 29, 1990 for the

coming fiscal year.

Except with respect to the adequacy of the provision made by Donasphere in connection with the resolution of a dispute between Donosphere and a former vendor, Anderson's report for the previous two fiscal years and audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90248c0050 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Trvlsys Inc.(TICKER: RITE) replaced its former accountant, M.M. Trujillo, CPA, with the accounting firm of Atkinson & Co., Ltd., certified public accountants.

Trvlsys Inc. states that in connection with the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1989, there were no material disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practice, financial statement disclosure, or audit scope or procedure which if not resolved to the satisfaction of the former accoutnant would have caused him to make reference in connection with his report to the subject matter of the disagreement.

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#90248c0051 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows GBI International Industries Inc.(TICKER: GBII) was advised by one of its banks that it is in default on a certain promissory note that matured July 1, 1990, and since GBI International Industries Inc. has been unable to meet the payment terms, the bank has accelerated the entire debt and has made demands on GBI International Industries Inc. for payment.

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#90248c0052 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows holders of $300,000 of Western Star Inc.(TICKER: WTAR) convertible notes have notified Western Star Inc. that they have elected to convert their notes, due Sept. 30, 1994, into 218,180 shares of common stock at the stated price of $1.375 per share.

The conversion, effective Aug. 1, 1990, reduces Western Star Inc.'s long term debt by $300,000, thereby saving the company $21,000 annually in

interest expense.

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#90248c0053 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Bernard Drucker, a director of Projectavision Inc.(TICKER: PJTV), announced his resignation for personal reasons, effective Aug. 27, 1990.

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#90248c0054 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows World Container Corp.(TICKER: WRLD), in an arrangement effective Aug. 24, 1999 with Harris Trust and Savings Bank in Chicago, borrowed $400,000, and may borrow up to $600,000 upon bank approval.

The bank required additional security in the form of guarantees from the guarantors, Russell Trust, the Jerome Laitala Trust and Gordon T. Boyd, requiring them to consent to additional advances on the line of credit made by the bank to World Container Corp.

Warrants to purchase 1 million shares of the no par value common stock of World Container Corp. were issued to the guarantors, exercisable for five years, at a price equal to 100% of the closing bid price of World Container Corp.'s common stock as reported by NASDAQ Aug. 24, 1990.

-30- 983
#90248c0055 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Gibson Greetings Inc.(TICKER: GIBG) replaced its former accountant, Price Waterhouse, with Arthur Anderson & Co., effective Aug. 24, 1990.

Gibson Greetings Inc. reports that during the period when Price Waterhouse functioned as Gibson Greetings Inc.'s accountant, Price Waterhouse did not advise Gibson Greetings Inc. that the internal controls necessary to develop reliable financial statements did not exist; and that Price Waterhouse was otherwise unsatisfactory to Gibson Greetings Inc. in carrying out financial duties.

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#90248c0057 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Dorchester Hugoton Ltd.(TICKER: DHUL), effective Aug. 16, 1990, merged with James E. Raley Inc. (Raley Corp), which then became one of the three general partners of Dorchester Hugoton LTD.

-30- 399
#90248c0058 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
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#90248c0062 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Cell Technology lost $4.74 million, or $0.56 per share, on no revenues for the year April 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $4.32 million, or $1.12 per share, on no revenues for the year ended April 30, 1989.

Cell Technology reports that it is a development stage company, and that

since December 31, 1986, it has had no revenue from operations.

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#90248c0080 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HUSTON FDN OF 50 SOUTH FIRST AVE, COATESVILLE, PA 19320, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF LUKENS INC. (TICKER: LUC) THROUGH RITTENHOUSE FNCL SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(LUKENS INC. TEL: 215 383-2000)

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#90248c0081 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - & GILCHRIST PC JENKENS OF 1445 ROSS AVE #3200, DALLAS, TX 75202, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,246 SHARES OF CASPEN OIL INC. (TICKER: CNO) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(CASPEN OIL INC. TEL: 303 987-0925)

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#90248c0083 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEREK LIDOW OF 233 KANSAS ST, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL RECTIFIER CORP. (TICKER: IRF) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL RECTIFIER CORP. TEL: 213 772-2000)

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#90248c0084 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 03, 1990, WILLIAM H ELLIOTT, CHAIRMAN OF ANGELES CORP. (TICKER: ANG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

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#90248c0085 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HERBERT A SKLENAR, DIR. OF AMSOUTH BANCORP. (TICKER: ASO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

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#90248c0086 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, T FRANKLIN MYERS, VP OF BAKER HUGHES INC. (TICKER: BHI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90248c0087 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, T FRANKLIN MYERS, VP OF BAKER HUGHES INC. (TICKER: BHI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,805.

-30- 304
#90248c0088 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RONALD G TURNER, VP OF BAKER HUGHES INC. (TICKER: BHI), SOLD 471 SHARES AT $32.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,112.

-30- 300
#90248c0089 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOSEPH LAGUMINA, VP OF CAESARS WORLD INC. (TICKER: CAW), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,125.

-30- 308
#90248c0091 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, C MCCOLLISTER EVARTS, DIR. OF CARPENTER TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: CRS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $43.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 325
#90248c0092 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MASON Y GARRETT, PRES. OF FIRST UNITED BANCORP.(ANDERSON,CS) (TICKER: FUSC), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,404.

-30- 351
#90248c0093 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, THOMAS D PRICE, OFFICER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90248c0094 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, THOMAS D PRICE, OFFICER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 303
#90248c0095 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CHRISTOPHER J MARKER, PRES. OF HILLHAVEN CORP. (TICKER: HIL), BOUGHT 25,800 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90248c0096 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CHRISTOPHER J MARKER, PRES. OF HILLHAVEN CORP. (TICKER: HIL), BOUGHT 24,200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,164,480.

-30- 316
#90248c0097 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, GERALD B BLOUCH, OFFICER OF INVACARE CORP. (TICKER: IVCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 310
#90248c0099 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 04, 1990, DANIEL J TERRA, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MERCURY FINANCE CO. (TICKER: MFN), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90248c0100 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 09, 1990, DANIEL J TERRA, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MERCURY FINANCE CO. (TICKER: MFN), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,234,093.

-30- 345
#90248c0101 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1989, DANIEL J TERRA, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MERCURY FINANCE CO. (TICKER: MFN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90248c0102 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 17, 1990, DANIEL J TERRA, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MERCURY FINANCE CO. (TICKER: MFN), SOLD 16,800 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90248c0103 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, GEORGE A SCHAEFER, DIR. OF MORTON INTERNATIONAL INC.(IN) (TICKER: MII), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $40.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329

#90248c0104 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PETER J SOLOMON, DIR. OF PHILLIPS-VAN HEUSEN CORP. (TICKER: PVH), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 327
#90248c0105 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1990, ADAM JERNEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF VIRATEK INC. (TICKER: VIRA), SOLD 3,644 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90248c0107 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 14, 1990, ADAM JERNEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF VIRATEK INC. (TICKER: VIRA), SOLD 2,811 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90248c0108 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 27, 1990, ADAM JERNEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF VIRATEK INC. (TICKER: VIRA), SOLD 4,545 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,644.

-30- 318
#90248c0109 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

RIO ALGOM LTD OF TORONTO, CANADA OWNS 856,793 SHARES (9.76%) OF CONTINENTAL GOLD CORP (TICKER: CNTV) OF VANCOUVER, CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The amount of purchaser's personal funds used for the purchase of shares on Aug. 14, 1989, Dec. 27, 1989, June 20, 1990, July 5, 1990 and Aug. 21, 1990 was $597,501.60 (Canadian). The amount of $175,000 was used to effect the purchase of the option to purchase 70,000 shares, pursuant to an agreement

by and among the purchaser, Franklin Plett, Benjamin Plett, Stanley Plett, Oliver Plett, Len Heinrichs, John Gresbrecht and Joe Correia, dated Jan. 9, 1990; and, if the option is exercised, $560,000 (Canadian) will be necessary to purchase the shares. The option may be exercised by the purchaser on the later of Nov. 5, 1990 or the next business day after the expiration of the "Hold Period" which expires on Nov. 3, 1990.

-30- 1076

#90248c0110 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

LOEWS CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 8,303,453 SHARES (8.93%) OF CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL CORP (TICKER: CHA).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 43,453 shares issuable upon conversion of the $1,510,000 principal amount of Champion Int'l Corp. 's 6.5 percent convertible subordinated debentures owned by a subsidiary.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 24, 1990 to Sept. 4, 1990, Loews purchased an additional 933,900 shares at a price of $26.50 to $27 per share.

-30- 680

#90248c0111 09/05/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

MERCURY ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC OWNS 1,650,000 SHARES (11.80%) OF ICO INC (TICKER: ICOC) OF FT WORTH, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The source of funds used to acquire the securities covered by this statement was the investment funds of MAM's investment clients.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 6 and 21, 1990 Mercury Asset Management PLC purchased 130,000 shares at a price of $2.94 to $3.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 636
#90248c0112 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

MERCURY ASSET MANAGEMENT GROUP PLC OWNS 325,000 SHARES (4.20%) OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICE INC (TICKER: HOSS) OF GALVESTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The source of funds used to acquire the securities covered by this statement was the investment funds of MAM's investment clients.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 15 and 20, 1990 Mercury Asset Management Group PLC sold 95,000 shares at a price of $9.75 to $9.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 677
#90248c0113 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

AACHENER UND MUENCHENER BETEILINGUNGS-AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT OWNS 30,362,190 SHARES (42.90%) OF ACADEMY INSURANCE GROUP INC (TICKER: ACIG) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 2, 1990, Mergerco delivered a proposal to Academy Insurance Group Inc. contemplating a merger transaction in which all of the shares of the Academy Insurance Group Inc. other than certain shares owned by certain of the signatories would be converted to the right to receive cash, which proposal expired by its terms on Aug. 15, 1990. On Aug. 15, 1990, Mergerco informed Academy Insurance Group Inc. that it was willing to negotiate for the acquisition of the outstanding shares at a price approximating book

value.

PURPOSE: To acquire all of the shares of the stockholders (other than the shares of the remaining stockholders not being exchanged for cash) and to own the entire equity interest in Academy Insurance Group Inc.

-30- 1133
#90248c0115 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 23, 1990, MIC and Leucadia National Corp. (TICKER: LUK) received the rulings requested from the Internal Revenue Service. On Aug. 30, 1990, the merger was consummated and MIC was merged with and into Leucadia National Corp. with Leucadia National Corp. as the surviving corporation. In the merger, the 1,305 outstanding MIC shares were exchanged for an aggregate of 4,564,726 common shares, plus an aggregate of $100.36 in lieu of fractional shares which were distributed to MIC shareholders, as follows: 2,560,132 common shares to Leucadia National Corp.; 693,959 common shares, plus $1 to John W. Jordan II; 224,587 common shares, plus $10.90 to CMCO; 200,480 common shares, plus $10.98 to Ian M. Cumming; 113,605 common shares, plus $24.21 to Joseph S. Steinberg; 86,874 common shares, plus 46.40 to a trust for the benefit of Mr. Steinberg's minor children (as to which he disclaims beneficial ownership); and an aggregate of 685,089 common shares, plus $46.76 to certain officers of CMCO. The shares distributed to Leucadia National Corp. will be held as treasury shares, thereby reducing the number of outstanding common shares by 2,560,132. Also, as of Aug. 30, 1990, MIC no longer beneficially owned any common stock and as a result of the merger, MIC ceased to be the owner of more than 5 percent of the outstanding common shares.

PURPOSE:

Dissolution and distribution of securities.

-30- 1659
#90248c0116 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

I.M. CUMMING OWNS 5,168,792 SHARES (42.40%) OF LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORP (TICKER: LUK) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 23, 1990, MIC and Leucadia National Corp. received the rulings requested from the Internal Revenue Service. On Aug. 30, 1990, the merger was consummated and MIC was merged with and into Leucadia National Corp. with Leucadia National Corp. as the surviving corporation. In the merger, in exchange for their shares of MIC common stock, Mr. Cumming received 200,480 common shares, plus $10.98 in lieu of fractional shares, Mr. Steinberg received 113,605 common shares plus $24.21 in lieu of fractional shares, and a trust for the benefit of Mr. Steinberg's minor children received 86,874 common shares (as to which he disclaims beneficial ownership), plus $46.40 in lieu of fractional shares.

PURPOSE:

Dissolution and distribution of securities.

-30- 1096
#90248c0117 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GROUP LED BY M. BELL OWNS 1,377,081 SHARES (8.74%) OF ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS CO (TICKER: ESC) OF LITTLE ROCK, AK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 9, 1990 through Aug. 27, 1990, Darlene C. Bell disposed of 235,000 shares of common stock as a result of a margin call with The Chicago Corp. and PaineWebber Inc. at a price of $6.88 to $11.14 per share and on Aug. 6 and 9, 1990, she disposed of 19,000 and 11,000 shares of series A preferred stock pursuant to a margin call with The Chicago Corp. at a price of $14.58 and $14.14 per share, respectively.

PURPOSE:

Disposition of shares.

-30- 807
#90248c0118 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

T.H. KRUTTSCHNITT OWNS 1,208,400 SHARES (8.00%) OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC (TICKER: CSA) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 30, 1990, 232,000 addition shares were purchased on the N.Y.S.E at a price of $4 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 485
#90248c0119 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY P. WILMERDING OWNS 137,100 SHARES (5.42%) OF USA BANCORP INC (TICKER: USAB) OF BOSTON, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

P. Wilmerding intend to acquire working control of USA Bancorp Inc. and Wilmerding intends to seek a position on the boards of USA Bancorp Inc. and its subsidiary bank, Olympic International Bank and Trust Co. Later, Wilmerding may seek appointment as a salaried officer of the bank. The first $500,000 worth of the purchases were made pursuant to the joint purchase agreement which is now inoperative since such amount has been purchased.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 19 and Aug. 29, 1990, P. Wilmerding purchased 81,500 shares at a price of $2.88 to $5.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of sufficient shares to acquire working control of USA Bancorp

Inc.

-30- 1012
#90248c0120 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 27

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Stahl has extended his tender offer to Oct. 1, 1990 from Sept. 4, 1990. On Sept. 4, 1990, Stahl's counsel delivered a letter to Banking regulators calling attention to Apple Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: APK)'s employment contracts, severance benefits and related compensation arrangements.

-30- 490
#90248c0122 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

ANNOUNCEMENT: NII (TICKER: NII) has extended its tender offer from Sept. 4 to Sept. 11, 1990.

-30- 288
#90248c0124 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT: On Aug. 28, 1990, FS Venture Partnership ceased to own any shares of Langer Biomechanics Group (TICKER: GAIT).

-30- 333
#90248c0125 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

L. LOWIN OF GREENWICH, CT OWNS 915,400 CLASS A SHARES (23.50%) OF AEL INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: AELN) OF LANDSDALE, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

L. Lowin purchased 170,000 shares from Aug. 1-27, 1990 for $4.50 to $4.63 per share.

-30- 433
#90248c0126 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY FIRST EXECUTIVE CORP OF LOS ANGELES, CA OWNS 36,602,124 SHARES (41.90%) OF REGENCY EQUITIES CORP (TICKER: RGEQ) OF CRANFORD, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective July 24, 1990, E. Benjamin Nelson resigned from the board of Regency and the board elected Robert N. Goodman to fill the vacancy.

PURPOSE:

Resignation from Regency Equities Corp.'s board of directors.

-30- 587
#90248c0127 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOC LP OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 530,322 SHARES (13.70%) OF PERINI INVESTMENT PROPERTIES INC (TICKER: PNV) OF FRAMINGHAM, MA..

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 23-28, 1990, Harris Assoc. LP sold 48,200 shares for $7 per share.

-30- 471
#90248c0128 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - Chicago-based Triangle Home Products Inc. (TICKER: THP) has sold its ventilating-products inventory and tooling for $792,000, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing. The buyer was not identified.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 5, 1990.

-30- 483
#90248c0129 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - Washington, D.C.-based NyCal Corp.(TICKER: NYCL) has agreed to acquire a controlling 76 percent interest in Woodbine Petroleum Inc. of Dallas, TX., plus certain oil and gas properties, from Claremont Petroleum (USA) Pty. Ltd. and Moage Inc.

The Aug. 23 agreement calls for a cash payment of $3.5 million at closing and the assumption of $1.5 million in bank debt, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 5, 1990.

-30- 685
#90248c0130 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - Fleet Aerospace Inc.(TICKER: FLAI), a Culver City, Ca., aircraft-components manufacturer, has sold its Engineered Magnetics Inc. and AAP Inc. subsidiaries, to EM Acquisition Corp. for $5.5 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 5, 1990.

-30- 511
#90248c0132 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - San Antonio, Texas-based Gulf Resources Corp., a privately held oil and gas company, has acquired Mustang Cos. Inc., (TICKER: MUST) a Great Bend, Kan., energy company, for $8.9 million in cash.

Gulf Resources owns and operates producing oil and gas properties, a gas gathering system and a natural-gas processing plant, all located in North Central Texas, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 5, 1990.

-30- 679
#90248c0133 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 39

GROUP LED BY HERITAGE MEDIA CORP OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 2,877,333 SHARES (68.20%) OF POP RADIO CORP (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 4, 1990, Pop Radio Corp. announced that a special meeting of company shareholders has been scheduled for Oct. 8, 1990 to vote on the proposed merger. Shareholders of record on Sept. 4, 1990 will be entitled to vote at the special meeting. Also, on Sept. 4, 1990, the amended settlement agreement was amended to extend the termination date from Oct. 31, 1990 to Nov. 30, 1990 and a hearing relating to the approval of the amended settlement agreement, as amended, has been scheduled by the court for Oct. 9, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

In open market transaction on Aug. 27 and 28, 1990, Heritage purchased an aggregate of 14,000 shares at a price of $18.38 to $18.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares to increase direct investment in Pop Radio Corp. and to assist in retaining a majority equity and voting interest in Pop Radio Corp.

-30- 1221
#90248c0134 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GALACTIC RESOURCES LTD OF VANCOUVER, CANADA OWNS 3,165,250 SHARES (16.34%) OF CORNUCOPIA RESOURCES INC (TICKER: CNPG) OF VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 29, 1990 Galactic Resources LTD and Cornucopia Resources ltd. reached an agreement in principle on a business combination pursuant to which Galactic Resources LTD would issue 0.55 of a common share of Galactic Resources LTD for each outstanding share of Cornucopia. Consummation of this proposal is subject to, among other things, the negotiation and settlement of the terms of a definitive agreement; the receipt of final fairness opinions from each party's financial advisors; the receipt of stock exchange and regulatory approvals; the approval by the shareholders of each party; and the approval of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

PURPOSE:

An agreement in principle and business combination.

-30- 1117
#90248c0135 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY A. BERGVALL OWNS 367,150 SHARES (11.92%) OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD (TICKER: BHM) OF HAMILTON, BERMUDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 16, 1990, Navigation Investments purchased 140,000 shares at a price of $7 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 495
#90248c0136 09/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY PLACER DOME INC OF VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA OWNS 3,062,282 SHARES (34.40%) OF CONTINENTAL GOLD CORP (TICKER: CNTV) OF VANCOUVER, BC, CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The acquisition agreement, dated Aug. 31, 1990, provides for the purchase by Continental Gold Corp. for $78,832,000 (Cdn) in cash of the 30.16 percent interest of BP Resources Canada Ltd. in the Mt. Milligan claims and provides for the assignment to the company of BP's joint venture agreement with Continental Gold and BP's rights to and obligations under the litigation with Continental Gold. The waiver and consent of Continental Gold to the concluding of the transaction has been given and Placer Companies intend to commence offers to purchase all of the shares immediately after the Commission declares the U.S. Registration Statement effective. When the bid is commenced, it will be made by formal take-over bid intended to meet requirements of securities laws and consideration for each share will not be less than $20 (Cdn) cash or, at the option of tendering shareholders, one common share of Placer.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Placer Dome Inc. purchased 165,700 shares from Aug. 3-13, 1990 for $2,436,318 (Cdn.).

PURPOSE:

Acquisition agreement and equity position.

-30- 1486

#90248d0150 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WEST BERLIN (SEPT. 5) - The West German airline Lufthansa paid Pan American World Airways 150 million dollars to acquire Pan Am's routes linking West Berlin and six West German cities, it was confirmed here Wednesday.

Pan Am spokesman Harold Kosel confirmed the figure which had been mentioned in reports on the transaction disclosed on September 3. A letter of intent between the two airlines had been signed in New York last week.

Kosel noted that the agreement has still to be approved at the government level and by the supervisory boards of the two airlines.

Under the Pan Am-Lufthansa deal, starting with the winter schedule on October 28 the West German airline will operate nine Pan Am planes on routes between West Berlin and the cities of Hamburg, Nuremberg, Frankfurt Stuttgart,
Duesseldorf and Munich for nine months.

After that period, Lufthansa will fly its solely its own airplanes on the

routes.

Under post-war arrangements, Lufthansa had been excluded from flying to West Berlin. Pan Am, British Airways and Air France held the routes between the city and West German cities.

Pan Am will continue to fly to West Berlin on international routes, Kosel said.

-30- 1386

#90248d0170 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT ELIZABETH, South Africa (SEPT. 5) - Buyers adopted a "wait-and-see attitude" at the first Cape winter mohair sale in this south coast town Tuesday, the Mohair Board said Wednesday.

Thirty per cent of the 3,500 bales on offer were sold, the board said, noting improved fibre fineness especially in average adults.

A limited quantity of adult mohair was sold on the new lower basis of 15 per cent, the board said.

-30- 585

#90248d0270 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSHI, Tanzania (SEPT. 5) - Pope John Paul II appealed Wednesday to a world caught up in the Gulf crisis and changes in eastern Europe not to turn its back on Africa, the poorest continent.

The pope, addressing a crowd at the airport here before leaving for Bujumbura, the capital of Burundi, urged "the more developed nations of the earth to inaugurate a new era of solidarity with Africa, based on justice and respect."

"Let the world not forget the urgent needs of the peoples of Africa" who are "deprived of the positive support of science and technology," he said.

The pope, now on his seventh trip to Africa, sees Africa's 79 million Roman Catholics as a bulwark against loss of faith in the West and the rise of militant Islam.

The catholic flock in Africa has grown by 24 million since the pope's first visit a decade ago.

Before leaving, the pope celebrated a mass at Moshi stadium, with the snow-capped peak of Africa's highest mountain, Kilimanjaro, in the background.

Some 40,000 people, including a sprinkling of Moslems, came to hear his message. The crowd cheered, clapped and ululated as the pontiff ascended the platform. A choir accompanied by a military-style brass band welcomed him.

The pope reiterated his call for religious harmony.

"May the people of Tanzania always remain united to one another as true brothers and sisters, regardless of ethnic origin or differences of culture and religion," he said.

Tanzania's population of 24 millions is fairly evenly divided between Moslems and Christians, with 15 per cent animists.

The pope's call for tolerance, however, came a day after he urged Africans to abandon witchcraft and traditional animist religious practices which he said could lead to "servitude".

-30- 1971

#90248d0300 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOGADISHU (SEPT. 5) - Somalia's new Prime Minister Mohamed Hawadle Madar, whose appointment was hailed as a gesture to northern-based rebels, on Tuesday presented a cabinet with few innovations.

The only real surprise was the return of President Mohamed Siad Barre's half brother Abdurahman Jama Barre who becomes deputy premier and takes over the finance portfolio.

Mr. Jama Barre was foreign minister up to January 9 when the president sacked the government headed at the time by Mohamad Ali Samantar for "incompetence". Mr. Barre was dropped in Mr. Samantar's next government set up on February 15 and which was dissolved on Monday.

In the new government, Hussein Abdurahman Matan keeps the defence portfolio but former interior minister Abdulcadir Haji Mohamed is being replaced by Abdikassim Salad Hassan, who also makes a comeback.

The choice of Mr. Madar was widely hailed as an opening to rebels of the Somali National Movement (SNM) which has been fighting the Barre regime in northern Somalia since May 1988. Mr. Madar belongs to the Issaq clan which provides the bulk of SNM guerrillas.

The government change comes ahead of a referendum planned for October 31 on whether to introduce multi-party politics in Somalia where President Siad Barre has been in power for more than 20 years.

The president has embarked on a programme of political reforms with the

declared aim of holding free legislative elections on February 1 1991.

-30- 1627

#90248d0380 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 5) - British tobacco and insurance conglomerate BAT Industries said Wednesday its taxable profit fell 11 percent in the first half of this year to 592 million pounds (1.1 billion dollars) from 668 million (1.2 billion dollars).

Sales were up 12 percent over the same period last year at 9.4 billion pounds (17.7 billion dollars) from 8.48 billion (16 billion dollars).

The profit was below market forecasts of half-year profit of between 605 and 665 million pounds.

The fall in profit came essentially in the insurance sector, where operating profit was down 38 percent to 256 million pounds (483 million dollars) from 412 million (777 million dollars).

BAT's main insurance subsidiary, Eagle Star, fell victim to general depression in the sector and the cost of payouts for storm damage early in the year.

Interim dividend was set at 20.7 pence, up from 19.60 pence.

BAT shares were up two pence at 526 in early trading in London.

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#90248d0390 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAUSANNE, Switzerland (SEPT. 5) - China, a major ivory consumer, is to join countries honoring the ban on ivory trade from January, the secretariat of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) said Wednesday.

The decision leaves only five southern African countries refusing to abide by the measure, which puts some 600,000 African elephants on a most-endangered list drawn up by CITES in October.

Hong Kong, another of the world's largest consumers of ivory, agreed to respect the ban in July.

The countries that refused - Zimbabwe, South Africa, Botswana, Malawi and Zambia - pledged to monitor elephant stocks and fight poaching.

Singapore meanwhile has decided to respect the endangered species designation for marine and New Guinea crocodiles, CITES said.

Until now Singapore has been a major centre for illegal trade in crocodile skins. It will now have to declare exports and mark the skins.

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SYDNEY (SEPT. 5) - Despite sagging sales, the diversified Australian industrial group BTR Nylex Ltd. reported Wednesday a 15.7 percent jump in half-yearly net profit to 260.8 million Australian dollars (212 million U.S.).

Managing Director Alan Jackson said the operating profit for the country's third largest capitalised company rose 13.5 percent to 491 million dollars (398 million U.S.) in the six months to June "in difficult trading conditions."

But analysts described the net result, up from 225.3 million dollars (183 million U.S.) in the first half of 1989, as "pretty disappointing."

Sales worldwide dipped 4.1 percent to 2.35 billion dollars (1.9 billion U.S.) with sales in Asia falling about 12 percent to 402.8 million dollars (327.5 million U.S.).

But the group's Asian division reported a nine percent increase in profit to 81.6 million dollars (66 million U.S.).

Ken Fleming, analyst at James Capel Australia, said that the withdrawal of China from the market since the Beijing massacre last June was impeding Asian sales growth, while polymer operations in Taiwan were facing a demand slump.

"One of their major customers is not buying," he said. "(BTR Nylex) had a very rough second half in Taiwan. I would say that this is continuing."

Mr. Fleming said he had been expecting BTR Nylex to notch a much higher first half profit.

"The world petrochemical markets are in a spin and they are getting hit," he said.

He forecast that the company, which also has interests ranging from glass and plastics to textiles and engineering, would earn about 570 million dollars (463 million U.S.) for the full year compared with 521 million dollars (424 million U.S.) in 1989.

Mr. Jackson said in a statement that the directors were pleased with the company's performance in the first half.

"Current order levels within our building products, automotive and consumer markets are soft.

"On the other hand activity of our Asian operations, particularly Malaysia, Thailand and Taiwan are buoyant.

"While it is difficult to forecast the extent and duration of the current slowdown the directors are confident at this time that the results for 1990 should again be satisfactory," he said.

Sales in Australia were down less than one percent to 1.3 billion dollars (1.1 billion U.S.), and although U.S. sales fell six percent to 444.6 million dollars (361 million U.S.), profits from the U.S. market eased less than one percent to 63.4 million dollars (52 million U.S.).

BTR Nylex's finance charges swelled 50 percent to 83.9 million dollars (68 million U.S.).

Polymer sales fell 12 percent to 550.6 million dollars (448 million U.S.) while operating profit for the polymer division slipped four percent to 106 million dollars (86 million U.S.).

BTR Nylex comes after petroleum and steel producer BHP Co. Ltd. and diversified miner CRA Ltd. as the top Australian firms in terms of market capitalisation.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 5P) - The 13.5 million member Japan Consumers' Cooperative Union has stopped importing lemons from the United States since discovering they contained anti-mold agricultural chemicals, union officials said Wedneday.

The union said it had notified 70 of its 665 branch organizations across Japan selling imported California lemons of the stoppage after discovering they contained two anti-mold chemicals -- orth-phenyl phenol (OPP) and thiaben bazole (TBZ).

The union imported the lemons on condition that the chemicals were not used, it said.

The union said it imported and sold 120,000 cases or 2,040 tonnes of lemons from Californian producers last year and planned to sell 140,000 cases or 2,380 tonnes this year.

Two representatives have been sent to the lemon supplier in California to

discuss the situation, it said.

Japan's total lemon imports from the United States came to about 100,000 tonnes last year.

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#90248d0510 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN FERNANDO, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 5) - Up to 15 percent of the rice harvest in central Luzon island, the Philippines' breadbasket, could be lost due to floods spawned by monsoon rains, an official said here Wednesday.

A total of 63,000 hectares (155,000 acres) of farmland in Pampanga, Bulacan and Tarlac, the country's main rice-growing provinces, remain under water following torrential rains on Saturday, regional agriculture department officer Renato Bulay told reporters.

"We could be losing two million cavans (50-kilogram or 110-pound sacks) of unmilled rice because of the floods," he said. He estimated the value of such losses at 1.2 billion pesos (48 million dollars).

The floods came after about 90 percent of the 427,000 hectares (1.07 million acres) of central Luzon rice farms had been planted to high-yield varieties, he added.

The Philippines has been importing rice for the past two years to boost domestic buffer stocks depleted by drought and other problems.

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LONDON (SEPT. 5) - The five major Japanese banks have been put on a "rating watch" by the London-based credit rating agency IBCA, which could lead to their losing "AAA" rating -- the top of the international credit rating scale.

The big five banks, Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank, Sumitomo Bank, Fuji Bank, Mitsubishi Bank and Sanwa Bank are joined on the list by Industrial Bank of Japan.

In a report issued to clients on Tuesday, IBCA said that the decision to put the banks on a "rating watch" was taken in the light of "uncertainty and instability" caused by the dramatic fall in the Tokyo stock market.

Another factor was "capital pressures" growing out of the banks' need to improve profitability in order to continue financing their worldwide expansion.

IBCA stressed that the potential downgradings related to problems brought about by high monetary growth in recent years compounded by fears stemming from current international tensions, rather than to concern over the performances of individual banks.

"The stock market's fall and the weakness of the yen have brought to an end the virtuous circle whereby Japanese banks could finance at insignificant costs virtually any level of growth," IBCA said.

The report predicted that the massive increase in equity base (300 percent in five years to 5,838 billion yen (40 billion dollars)) achieved by the big five banks could no longer be sustained.

The expansion, IBCA said, was due to Japanese stockholders being prepared to accept minimal dividends while large capital gains accrued.

But "with capital losses now more the norm, even the notoriously pliant Japanese investor may go on strike, leaving the banks dependent on internally generated profits to finance their growth."

If this occurred, IBCA said, the banks would either have to significantly raise the profitability of their banking operation or stop growing.

The falling yen and Tokyo stock market meanwhile are also likely to force the banks to reduce what has been "close to a frantic rate of expansion" overseas, fuelled in part by the yen's strong performance in recent years which has now come to an end.

IBCA also noted that the Japanese banks had been slower than their international competitors in setting up reserve funds against foreign "problem assets" -- particularly in the fields of lending associated with leveraged buyouts (estimated total Japanese bank exposure 10 billion dollars), and U.S. real estate (30 billion dollars).

If the big five lose their AAA rating with IBCA, only Mitsubishi Bank and Sumitomo Bank among them will be left with the top rating from one of the top three rating agencies, Moody's of the United States.

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#90248d0610 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 5) - European Economic Community (EEC) foreign ministers are to hold a special meeting in Brussels next Wednesday to adopt a common position on measures allowing East Germany's integration into the Community, an Italian spokesman said here Wednesday.

The special meeting should enable the adoption of such measures ahead of

German unification on October 3.

The European Parliament is to give a first reading to proposals on the issue on Tuesday, and should now be able to give a second reading on Thursday next week, a day after the foreign ministers meet.

The ministers are scheduled to meet again on September 17, when they could take a final decision.

The EEC's executive, the European Commission, had put forward proposals on August 21 for measures governing the integration of what is now East Germany into the EEC, and asked for delegated powers to start implementing them before their formal adoption.

But the European Parliament has preferred to go for a rapid formal consideration of the proposals.

East German integration into the EEC is expected to cost the Community 500 million European Currency Units (ECU's, 650 million dollars) a year between now and 1992, according to European Commission estimates.

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LONDON (SEPT. 5) - George Wimpey, one of Britain's leading construction concerns, said Wednesday its pre-tax profit plunged 72 per cent in the first half of this year to 12.6 million pounds (23.7 million dollars) from 45.2 million (85.2 million dollars).

Sales were up eight per cent over the same period last year at 908.2 million pounds (1.7 billion dollars) from 840.2 million (1.5 billion dollars).

Interim dividend was unchanged at four pence, while earnings per share dived from 10 pence to 2.5.

The result was well below market forecasts of profit of between 35 million and 42 million shares, and Wimpey shares were down 20 pence at 182 in mid-morning trading on the London stock exchange in a rising market.

The group stressed that the seasonal nature of the construction business meant that the second half of the year was generally better than the first and hoped that the same would be true of this year.

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AMSTERDAM (SEPT. 5) - Pirelli Tyre Holding, the Dutch holding of Italian

tyre group Pirelli, said Wednesday its net profit plunged 61 percent in the first half of this year to 40 million guilder (22.5 million dollars).

Operating profit fell 29 percent from the same period last year to 151 million guilder (85.3 million dollars) while sales were down 5.8 percent at 31.6 billion (17.8 billion dollars).

Sales were "slightly down" in volume terms, the company said in a statement, without giving overall figures.

In Europe, Pirelli's main market accounting for 59 percent of sales in 1989, car tyre sales rose two percent in volume terms but those for tyres for utility vechicles were "slightly down", the company said.

Sales fell five percent in volume terms in North America, and 21 percent in Latin America where the Brazilian government's strict measures to control hyper-inflation had seen sales fall five percent.

The fall in sales income was also due to an average fall of 11 percent in the value of the U.S. dollar against the guilder between the first half of last year and the first half of 1990, the company said.

The group axed 600 jobs in the first half of this year in its tyre division and intends to continue shedding jobs at the same rate until well into 1991, the statement said.

Pirelli is also reducing investment for 1990 and 1991 by 200 million guilder and cutting back on sports sponsorship, particularly in international rallying, it added.

The holding company was very cautious on prospects for the rest of this year, saying that the anticipated effects from its cost-cutting measures and an expected improvement on the replacement tyre market "could be reduced to nil by a rise in raw materials prices and a fall in demand due to the Gulf crisis."

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#90248d0770 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 5) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker will brief North Atlantic Treaty Organisation foreign ministers here Monday on the results of Sunday's U.S.-Soviet summit in Helsinki, NATO sources said.

The sources were unable to say how many ministers would be able to attend NATO's North Atlantic Council.

A U.S. spokesman meanwhile said there was still a "possibility" that President George Bush himself might brief the allies on Monday. But the

official said he could not immediately confirm this.

The summit will chiefly focus on the Gulf crisis.

NATO's 16 members have met regularly since the crisis exploded on August 2.

Their ministers held a special meeting in Brussels on August 10, and their ambassadors and economic experts have been meeting two and sometimes three times a week to discuss the United Nations embargo against Iraq and ways of providing logistical support for the U.S. troop build-up in Saudi Arabia.

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#90248d0870 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 5) - British paper group Wiggins Teape Appleton, detached from the conglomerate BAT Industries in June, said Wednesday its profit fell nine percent in the first half of this year, but also announced it was buying a U.S. paper factory for 60 million dollars.

Wiggins Teape said its taxable profit totalled 85.9 million pounds (162 million dollars) in the first half of this year, in line with market forecasts but nine percent lower than the 94.5 million pounds (178.3 million dollars) it made in the first half of 1989 as part of BAT.

Sales were up four percent to 836 million pounds (1.57 billion dollars) from 802 million (1.51 billion dollars) but earnings per share fell to 10.9 pence from 11.9.

The group set its first interim dividend at 3.3 pence, as announced when it was introducedd on the stock exchange as a separate entity on June 1.

Wiggins Teape also announced that it was buying a carbonless paper factory at Vancouver in Washington state from U.S. group Boise Cascade. The plant has an annual capacity of 100,000 tonnes and employs 450 people.

Group chairman Stephen Walls said the first half results reflected "difficult trading conditions in the pulp and paper industry", and said further downward pressure on pulp prices and continuing stiff competition in the finished products market could be expected in the second half.

But Wiggins Teape's efforts at economy should "limit the negative impact of the market conditions on our overall results," he added.

Wiggins Teape shares were down two pence at 167 on the London stock exchange following the release of the results.

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#90248d0940 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 5) - Afghanistan's president Najibullah appealed Wednesday to major Western countries and Japan for urgent assistance to help his war-torn country rehabilitate its economy and resume its economic and social development.

Addressing the second United Nations conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC's), he welcomed East-West detente and stressed his government's commitment to a peaceful solution to the devastating ten-year-old Afghan conflict.

He emphasized that the new constitution adopted in May commits the country to a pluralistic political system based on market-economy principles and private enterprise.

Mr. Najibullah, clearly seeking to present himself, both in his address to the conference and in subsequent remarks to the press, as a leader open to dialogue and national reconciliation, strongly emphasized that landlocked Afghanistan was already one of the poorest among the LDC's before the outbreak of the Afghan war in 1979.

Ten years ago, he said, its annual per capita Gross National Product (GNP) was no more than 187 dollars, and the protracted conflict, which had wrought destruction provisionally estimated at more than 10 billion dollars, had reduced output per inhabitant by a quarter.

He said agriculture, the backbone of the Afghan economy, had been especially hard hit, with output declining by nearly 30 per cent.

Mr. Najibullah said preliminary estimates set Afganistan's external development financing requirements over the next 10 years at more than six billion dollars.

He said present plans provided for a five-year period of economic rehabilitation, during which the emphasis would be on the return and resettlement of millions of refugees and reconstruction of infrastructure and productive facilities.

In a second five-year phase, the country would seek to expand its economic potential and boost exports, while placing the emphasis on import substitution and production of commodities meeting the population's basic needs.

Mr. Najibullah acknowledged that prospects for the first phase were "not very promising". Afghanistan would be able to finance its current expenditure from domestic sources only in the second half of the 1990's, he said.

Stressing the need for "urgent assistance", he called on the world community in general to seriously consider resuming aid to Afghanistan, and specifically addressed an appeal to past donors, including the United States, France, West Germany, Japan and Britain.

The Afghan president told reporters Afghanistan "warmly welcomes" all international efforts to achieve a peaceful settlement of the Afghan conflict,

adding that he was especially looking forward to the outcome in this respect of next Sunday's Soviet-American summit in Helsinki.

Presidents Mikhail Gorbachev of the Soviet Union and George Bush of the United States have scheduled talks there expected to centre on the Gulf conflict.

During a press conference after his speech, Mr. Najibullah again rejected U.S. demands that he step down from office during the transition process that will be followed by free elections in Afghanistan.

He said the withdrawal of "factions or persons" would not help a solution.

He also said Afghanistan was prepared to "cooperate multilaterally and bilaterally, including with the United States, for the elimination of illict trafficking in narcotics."

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#90248d1040 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 5) - Key ministers in Australia's Labor government have swung their support behind a plan to use the proceeds from the sell-off of government assets to pay for infrastructure renovation, Labor Party sources said Wednesday.

In effect, the plan means swapping airlines used mostly by the affluent for socially desirable projects such as better railways, roads and homes used by everybody.

Proposed by the left-wing Health Minister Brian Howe, it is being seen by some as the means by which long-standing Labor opposition to privatisation could be overturned at a special party conference on September 24.

The cabinet will discuss and is expected to approve Thursday the assets sale plan, estimated to be worth almost four billion dollars (3.25 billion U.S.).

The government wants to sell 49 per cent of its wholly owned international airline Qantas, all or part of its domestic carrier Australian Airlines and

expose its telecommunications networks to private competition.

Although Labor officials concede rank-and-file opposition to privatisation is still strong, they say it would be political suicide for the conference to reject a plan proposed by the government and supported by ministers of all factions.

"The plan is one way of making the unpalatable seem more palatable," a senior left-winger said Wednesday.

The government's economic advisers favour using the proceeds of privatisation to pay off public sector loans, using only the interest savings for new infrastructure investment. However Mr. Howe has condemned the proposal to use only the interest as a gimmick and "tokenism which would not impress anybody".

He told a conference Monday that there were strong arguments for "massively increasing our investment in public infrastructure."

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DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (SEPT. 5) - A Panamanian cargo ship carrying 750 Indian nationals left Iraqi-occupied Kuwait early Wednesday and was heading for Dubai, shipping sources said here.

The vessel, the Safeer, was due here Thursday night, when the passengers - who were working in Kuwait at the time of the Iraqi invasion August 2 - will be flown home aboard an Air India flight, they added.

It was the first departure of a ship from Kuwait since the invasion, when Iraqi forces took control of Kuwaiti ports and impounded foreign vessels and tankers.

Shipping sources said three Indian vessels, including the Akbar and the Tipu Sultan, were to set sail for Kuwait "in the next few days" to begin repatriating the more than 100,000 Indian nationals stranded there.

Prior to the invasion some 200,000 Indians had been working in Iraq and Kuwait, thousands of whom have fled Baghdad overland and are now camped along the Iraqi-Jordanian border.

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#90248d1180 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (SEPT. 5) - Dresdner Bank said here Wednesday it has increased its share in the Dresdner Bank Kreditbank of East Germany to a controlling 85 percent.

Dresdner Bank said the move, raising its share from the previous 49 percent minority holding, came via a 150 million mark (96 million dollar) increase to 500 million marks, in the Dresdner Bank Kreditbank's capitalisation.

Dresdner Bank Kreditbank, based in Dresden, has 72 branches throughout East Germany.

The West German parent concern said it hopes to acquire the remaining 15 per cent equity capital of the Dresden institute as soon as possible in order to be able to integrate it completely into the bank's corporate structure.

Dresdner Bank became the second major West German institute to acquire majority control of an East German bank. Deutsche Bank previously had obtained the Kreditbank, a successor to the previous East German state-owned Staatsbank, with its broad network of branches around the country.

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#90248d1250 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (SEPT. 5) - Namibia's Navachab gold mine has produced its first ton of gold from more than five million tons of ore, according to a company statement issued here Wednesday.

The value of production since the mine opened in December has now topped 30 million rand (11.7 million dollars), operators the Erongo Mining and Exploration Company said.

Erongo, which is 66 percent owned by the giant South African-based Anglo American Corporation, holds a 70 percent stake in the mine.

Metal Mining Corporation of Canada has a 20 percent stake and the remaining 10 percent is owned by Rand Mines Windhoek Exploration.

Navachab, near Karibib some 200 kilometres (120 miles) northwest of here, is an open cast operation expected to produce 1.9 tons of gold a year for

the next 13 years.

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#90248d1260 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WINDHOEK (SEPT. 5) - The Namibian government is to cancel some loans earmarked for white farmers by the former South African colonial administration on the grounds that they are offensive and unconstitutional Agriculture Minister Gert Hanekom said Wednesday.

"The loans considered to be offensive and contrary to the requirements of the constitution are loans granted for the purchase of farmland in so-called father-son transactions, or family transactions, and loans for the consolidation of debts.

"These loans, if paid, would serve the personal interest of a small minority of white farmers only, and cannot be regarded in any way as supporting agricultural growth or development."

He said when the South West Africa People's Organisation-led government came to power at independence on March 21 just over four million rand (1.56 million dollars) worth of loans was waiting to be paid out to 18 families.

In those deals a father planned to sell his land to the son, who would buy it using government credit at four per cent interest.

The father would then bank the sale price, earning 18 per cent or more at commercial rates, providing the family with a pension.

"This was nothing more than cheap government money and we find this totally unfair," Mr. Hanekom said.

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#90248d1290 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (SEPT. 5) - Several hundred South Korean students took part in a violent anti-government demonstration here Wednesday as North and South Korean prime ministers held a historic first-ever meeting.

The students criticised South Korean President Roh Tae-Woo saying he was using the North-South talks to enhance his own chances of staying in power.

Some 500 students from Seoul National University threw molotov cocktails at riot police who replied with tear gas grenades, witnesses said.

Before the clashes, the demonstrators held a rally denouncing Mr. Roh for suppressing the "national democratic movement" and arresting dissidents.

The protest took place shortly after North Korean Premier Yon Hyong-Muk in talks with his South Korean counterpart Kang Young-Hoon demanded that three prominent dissidents jailed here for visiting Pyongyang last year be freed.

Students also demonstrated Tuesday on the Korea University campus as the North Korean delegation was arriving in Seoul from Pyongyang.

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#90248d1330 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 5) - Britain's leading cement maker Blue Circle Industries said Wedneday its profit fell 7.2 percent in the first half of this year to 93 million pounds (175 million dollars) from 100.3 million (189.2 million dollars).

Sales were down 5.4 percent from the same period last year at 656.4 million pounds (1.2 billion dollars) against 694.3 million (1.3 billion dollars), with domestic sales of cement down 14 per cent at 4.1 million tonnes.

Earnings per share fell from 11.5 pence to 10.6 but interim dividend was raised to 3.75 pence from 3.5.

The figures were in line with market forecasts of profit of between 86 million and 100 million pounds, and Blue Circle shares were up three pence at 203 in mid-morning trading in London in a rising market.

But Blue Circle warned that "trading conditions for the group's U.K. and U.S. businesses are likely to be further depressed in the second half."

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#90248d1440 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 5) - Elders IXL Ltd, the giant Australian brewing and agricultural company once controlled by John Elliott, could face a one billion dollar (810 million U.S.) annual loss, analysts warned Wednesday.

The likely loss for the year ended June 30 is blamed on the sale of the company's resources division and on the droughts, floods and tumbling wool prices that battered the farming sector in the last financial year.

Viktor Shvets, from Baring Security (Aust) Ltd., said it could intensify pressure on Elders' 56 percent owner, Harlin Holdings Pty. Ltd., which was controlled by Elders executives including chairman and former chief executive Elliott.

"The loss could be anywhere in the range from half a billion to a billion," said Tony Young of the James Capel Australia broking house, ahead of the

announcement of Elders' results for the year.

Abnormal losses from the agricultural and finance arms and the sale of the resources division could be as high as 1.6 billion dollars (1.3 billion U.S.), he said.

This would swamp a forecasted operating profit of about 478 million dollars (387 million U.S.), he said.

Last year Elders posted a record profit of 653.2 million dollars (529 million U.S.) after abnormal gains of 38.2 million dollars (30.9 million U.S.).

Mr. Shvets tipped Elders to lose about 500 million dollars (405 million U.S.) due to abnormal losses totalling one billion dollars (810 million U.S.).

Such a loss threatened the income stream of Harlin, which had estimated debts of about 2.25 billion U.S. dollars.

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#90248d1450 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (SEPT. 5) - Indications mounted Wednesday that the Iraqi government wants to speed up the exodus of foreign women and children, prompting French officials to send an Air France Airbus to Amman to ferry home another planeload of refugees.

In Paris, the French Foreign Ministry said the jetliner was to pick up 44 people flown out of Baghdad, plus another 60 French citizens and other European nationals expected to arrive in the Jordanian capital from Baghdad during the day.

Authorities say 450 French citizens are still in Iraq.

In London, meanwhile, a British jumbo jet with 92 women and children who had been held back by Iraq arrived at London's Gatwick Airport on a flight from Amman.

The London Foreign Office said 306 more British women and children had arrived Tuesday night in Baghdad after a 14-hour drive from Kuwait.

Fifty-seven of the passengers flown to London Wednesday aboard the Virgin Atlantic Boeing 747 were British. The rest were U.S., Irish, French or Australian citizens.

The same plane took food and medicine to Jordan for refugees awaiting repatriation in Jordan and an estimated 40,000 more camped out on the

desert border with Iraq.

The Bonn foreign office said it had largely completed the evacuation of West German women and children from Iraq and Kuwait, leaving 150 West Germans, mostly men, in Kuwait and 400 in Iraq.

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#90248d1610 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (SEPT. 5) - The bodies of 50 Egyptians have been returned to their homeland from Iraq since the Gulf crisis began - and some have borne signs of a violent death, press reports said Wednesday.

The reports - carried in an Egpytian press increasingly hostile towards Iraq - said quarantine authorities at Cairo airport had discovered bullets and head blows in and on some corpses. Others bore signs of electro-shocks or burns. On Tuesday alone, 15 dead Egyptians had been flown out of Iraq via Amman.

Another 13 recently-arrived dead had apparently been killed in a road crash on their way to Aqaba when already in Jordan, their vehicle having been in collisison with a military vehicle. There was no official confirmation of the media report.

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#90248d1690 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Frankfurt (SEPT. 5) - West German banks, with relatively small loan exposure in Iraq, have responded calmly to Baghdad's stop on its debt repayments in retaliation for the international trade boycott, bankers said here Wednesday.

One banker told the German Press Agency dpa that from the moment the U.N. trade embargo against Iraq was approved, it was clear Saddam Hussein would retaliate with whatever means at hand, including a stop in repayment of Iraq's debt.

There is no reliable data on Iraq's foreign debt load, since Baghdad refuses to keep the Bank for International Settlements or other foreign institutes informed of its financial situation.

West German banks estimate the Iraqi debt to be almost 80 billion dollars, with about 53.5 billion of that owed to the West and around 20 billion to Arab countries, chiefly Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.

But West German loan exposure to Iraq was estimated by bankers here to be around 3.5 billion marks, or a little over 2 billion dollars.

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#90248d1850 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (SEPT. 5) - One hundred and fifty seven foreigners, including 62 French women and children and 23 Britons, left here Wednesday aboard a French-chartered Iraqi Airways flight for Amman, airline sources said.

The French foreign ministry earlier in the day said an Air France plane had left Paris for the Jordanian capital to repatriate the French nationals, who arrived here Tuesday by bus from Iraqi-controlled Kuwait.

They are to be flown home along with 44 other French citizens, who flew from Baghdad to Amman on Tuesday, also aboard an Iraqi Airways flight.

Among the other passengers aboard the flight were Italians, Americans, Belgians, Greeks and Australians.

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#90248d2110 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 5) - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher has pledged additional funds to Middle Eastern countries suffering most from the embargo against Iraq, U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady said here Wednesday.

Speaking after talks with the prime minister, Mr. Brady said Mrs. Thatcher was "enormously supportive" of a U.S. plan to drum up international funds to make up for losses to countries like Turkey, Egypt and Jordan.

"We didn't talk specific amounts," but "there was a commitment to funds in that plan and she promised Britain would do its bit," Mr. Brady added.

Government sources here said Mrs. Thatcher viewed the U.S. plan as an "excellent" initiative.

The treasury secretary, who met with French officials a day earlier, did not give details of the U.S. scheme, but said it was "absolutely essential that we get money for the frontline states because it is at the essence of making sure that the sanctions work."

Mr. Brady described the aid plan as a "third spoke to the wheel," following "diplomatic support for the world effort against the aggression of (Iraqi president) Saddam Hussein" and "military backing for our effort" that "is fast coming into place."

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#90248d2130 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WERNIGERODE, East Germany (SEPT. 5) - West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl kicked off an election tour of East Germany on Tuesday, promising voters an economic miracle similar to that in the affluent west if he and his party were kept in power in a unified Germany.

With East German legislative elections due to take place on October 14, and pan-German elections to follow on December 2, Mr. Kohl spoke in the two small neighboring towns of Wernigerode and Heiligenstadt in Saxony Anhalt and Thuringia to ask voters to back his Christian Democratic Union.

As soon as Mr. Kohl's helicopter appeared above Wernigerode, some 10,000 supporters gathered in front of the baroque town hall began to shout their support. The town's mayor proudly announceed "the man who has done the most for German unification: Helmut Kohl."

Almost 60 percent of Wernigerode's electorate - the town's population is 36,000 - voted for the East German branch of the CDU during the March 18 legislative elections.

"West Germany is the leading country in Europe, and the Deutsch mark is the reference currency for the entire continent," Mr. Kohl told the welcoming crowd.

"People here are no less courageous than people in Goslar, 50 kilometers away," he said, referring to a West German city just 30 miles away from this quaint town with its half-timbered houses and fairy-tale castle.

The crowd applauded enthusiastically. "East Germany's lack of development is due to 40 years of a centrally planned economy," Mr. Kohl said.

"There is no reason why we should not succeed in implementing the same economic miracle here which took place in West Germany: in three or four years, this country will be resplendent," he promised.

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#90248d2280 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Washington (SEPT. 5) - Britain and France have cut off all military shipments to Jordan out of concern that they could be passed overland to Iraq, the Wall Street Journal said Wednesday.

The French decision, which had been kept secret, involved primarily Mirage fighter jets, whereas the British move was aimed on artillery shells.

The British decision had been announced publicly, the paper said, but was little noticed.

''Either you are serious about this crisis or you aren't,'' a French

official said. He said French troops would participate in a Gulf war if one were to break out.

France has up to now sent no troops to the region, although it has despatched ships. There were no U.S. cutbacks in military equipment to Jordan, largely because no offensively military weapons shipments were planned, U.S. officials said.

Both France and the United States have pledged to send aid to Jordan however to help cope with the flood of refugees from Iraq and Kuwait who are awaiting transport to their home countries.

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#90248d2800 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (SEPT 5) - More than 30 Afghan resistance guerrillas have died in clashes with government troops or in internecine fighting around Kabul in the last two days, a government spokesman said here Wednesday.

He said at least 18 mujahedeen guerrillas were killed and 16 wounded Tuesday when Afghan soldiers launched an operation to force them from areas around the capital.

The spokesman said troops also managed to destroy about 80 missiles used by the rebels to bombard the city.

In separate skirmishes since Tuesday between the rival mujahedeen factions of the fundamentalist Hezb-e-Islami and the Jamiat Islami outside Kabul, 16 guerrillas died and 15 were wounded, the spokesman said.

The Soviet-backed government has launched two drives against guerrillas in the hills around the capital in an effort to destroy their missile sites, the spokesman added.

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#90248d2850 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 5) - Lord Caradon, one of Britain's most respected post-war diplomats and a leading figure in the movement towards de-colonization, died Wednesday at a nursing home in the southern British coastal city of Plymouth, his son announced.

Lord Caradon, formerly Sir Hugh Foot, was 82.

Lord Caradon joined the British Colonial Office during World War II and in 1943 became Colonial Secretary in Cyprus.

In the late 1940s and 1950s, his diplomatic skills played a pivotal role in

negotiations which created the conditions for Nigerian independence.

He was subsequently appointed governor of Jamaica and was instrumental in transferring greater authority over government affairs to Jamaicans.

From 1964 to 1970 Lord Caradon served as British representative at the United Nations and during that time won support for sanctions against Rhodesia -- now Zimbabwe -- following that country's Universal Declaration of Independence.

He had earlier served on the U.N. Trusteeship Council but resigned in protest over British policy toward Rhodesia.

Prior to his post at the United Nations, Lord Caradon served as governor of Cyprus where he brought together the island's Turkish and Greek community leaders and helped create an independent republic.

Lord Caradon grew up in the non-conformist radical tradition of his father, Isaac Foot, who was himself a leading Liberal Party MP. His brother, Michael Foot, was a former leader of the opposition Labour Party and his other brother, Dingle Foot was also a prominent Labour MP.

Lord Caradon also served on the U.N. committee studying apartheid and was a member of the Council for Volunteers Overseas.

He continued with some of his United Nations activities following his retirement, becoming a consultant on the U.N. development program from 1970.

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#90248d2870 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) - U.S. Congressmen Wednesday took a cautious approach to a White House's request that Egypt's seven-billion-dollar military debt be forgiven, fearing other countries might seek the same treatment.

"I'm not willing to double or triple our foreign aid budget without a lot more understanding of what the United States gets out of it," Patrick Leahy, chairman of the Senate's foreign aid panel, said in a television interview.

Mr. Leahy and other congressmen are concerned similar pleas from other countries might cause the federal deficit to swell precisely when Congress and the White House are struggling to reduce it.

On announcing President George Bush's decision to forgive Egypt's debt, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater Tuesday described it as "a symbol of

our appreciation" for Cairo's leading role in supporting operation "Desert Shield" in Saudi Arabia and the international trade embargo against Iraq.

Some legislators voiced support for Mr. Bush's request as long as it meant considerable savings to the United States.

"If we could avoid spending a substantial amount of money by having Egyptian soldiers in place of American soldiers, there could be a tradeoff there," said House Minority Whip Newt Gingrich in another interview.

While predicting wide support in Congress for the request, Senator John Glenn said. "I think we would have to look at the other nations that owe us a lot, also."

"There are going to be requests from others if we do this, undoubtedly," he added.

Mr. Leahy predicted that countries like Greece, Israel, Morocco, the Philippines, Pakistan and Turkey would also seek compensation for economic losses caused by the trade embargo against Iraq.

"It looks like some in the administration are saying let's have a blank check for foreign aid. I want to remind them that my subcommittee's still got the checkbook," cautioned Mr. Leahy.

He said the White House request would spell a loss of 750 million dollars in interest payments this year on Egypt's military debt.

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#90248d2890 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 5) - The United States is seeking to mobilize support from its Western allies and Japan for emergency relief worth 2.5 billion dollars to "frontline" states affected by the Gulf crisis, well-placed officials said here Wednesday.

They said the U.S. administration believes Turkey, Jordan and Egypt will require external aid of this magnitude for 1990 to offset the impact on their economies of the embargo on Iraq and higher oil prices.

The European Commission in Brussels on Wednesday proposed that the European Economic Community (EEC) provide financial assistance to these three countries and announced new emergency aid totalling 15 million European Currency Units (ECU's, 39 million dollars) for refugees in Jordan.

It also proposed to take 30 million ECU's (39 million dollars) from the Community budget for refugees fleeing Iraq and Kuwait since the Iraqi invasion of August 2, particularly to help pay the cost of repatriating

Asians.

This amount requires the approval of EEC foreign ministers who will be meeting in Rome on Friday to discuss the Gulf crisis.

A Commission spokesman would not give details of proposed aid to Jordan, Turkey and Egypt, but said it would include loans to help balance of payments and involve the participation of non-EEC countries.

U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady, who discussed the issue of emergency relief to "frontline" states with French cabinet ministers in Paris late Tuesday, said Wednesday in London that British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher had promised Britain "would do its bit."

But he said after a brief meeting with Mrs. Thatcher that they "didn't talk specific amounts."

Mr. Brady, accompanied by Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger, was expected to discuss the U.S. plan with Japanese leaders in Tokyo within the next few days, Paris sources said.

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#90248d2920 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 5) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had an address read on television Wednesday to boost the morale of Iraqis and launch another appeal for Jihad, or holy war, against what he called the corrupt rulers of Saudi Arabia and Egypt.

Saddam's speech, read by an Iraqi spokesman, was simultaneously translated into English and carried by the American television network Cnn.

It gave no indication of any change in Iraqi policy toward the foreign hostages or in its policy regarding Kuwait, nor did it seem to indicate any imminent act of war on Iraq's part.

Interspersing his address with quotations from the Koran, the Iraqi leader made a strongly religious plea for Arabs to ''save the world and not just yourselves from unjust powers that exploit and corrupt us''.

He said the holy shrines of Islam must be liberated from the presence of non-believers, and that the people of Saudi Arabia should revolt against their ruler. ''We support them,'' Saddam said.

The Iraqi president claimed that 5 million volunteers had signed up to back his country's armed forces, which number one million, and said that if ''non-believers fight us, they must be more than this number.''

Pointing to the example of Vietnam, he said an air force could never win a land war and that non-believers would regret their involvement. They would be defeated in the event of a struggle.

He closed with the words: ''Palestine will be liberated''.

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#90248d3010 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAMPALA (SEPT 5) - A number of African heads of state or their deputies are expected in Kampala Saturday for a one-day mini summit of the Organisation of African Unity (Oau) ad hoc committee on southern Africa, the Ugandan Foreign Ministry said Wednesday.

Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni is current Oau chairman. The African National Congress (Anc) and the Pan-Africanist Congress (Pac) will also attend.

Anc vice-President Nelson Mandela is expected to brief the leaders on the progress of the negotiations with the South African government and about the violence in the black African townships which have claimed some 600 lives in recent weeks.

The Gambian leader, Sir Dawda Jawara, Chairman of the Economic Community of West African States (Ecowas), is expected to brief his colleagues about the Liberian conflict where an Ecowas peacekeeping force is battling to assert control over Monrovia.

Another subject likely to be discussed is the Gulf crisis and its implications on the performance of African economies, the Ugandan Foreign Ministry said.

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#90248d3120 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 5) - A planeload of 157 foreigners arrived here Wednesday aboard a French-chartered Iraqi Airways flight from Baghdad, bringing to more than 1,000 the number of foreigners evacuated from the Iraqi capital since Saturday.

Sixty-two French women and children, 23 Britons, 11 Americans and nine Greeks were reported among those on board.

Earlier Wednesday about 100 Westerners, mainly women and children, arrived in London from Amman aboard a Virgin Atlantic company Boeing 747.

They included 57 Britons, 29 Americans, four Australians and two Canadians.

The Foreign Office in London said Wednesday that 30 British women and children had been prevented from joining a British embassy-organised bus convoy of 306 Britons, which left Kuwait City for Baghdad Tuesday.

The seven buses and two private cars which made the 900 kilometre (562-mile) cross-desert trip arrived late Tuesday in Baghdad and passengers were waiting at Baghdad hotels while British diplomats tried to obtain exit visas for them.

The Foreign office said the British embassy in Kuwait was now considering organising a second convoy to evacuate those held back Tuesday.

An estimated 2,000 Britons are still in Kuwait.

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#90248d3160 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 5) - Aluminium prices firmed strongly on the London Metal Exchange (LME) Wednesday, boosted by strong Far East buying.

Three months metal was quoted at 1,920 dollars per ton on the afternoon kerb, against 1,919 dollars on the ring and 1,884 on Tuesday.

The metal's climb was in sharp contrast to other metals, which edged lower in quiet trading volume.

Copper fell more sharply than most because of its quotation in pounds after the British currency firmed against the dollar during Wednesday.

Three months copper was quoted at 1,511 pounds per ton on the kerb against 1,505 on the ring and 1,540 on Tuesday.

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#90248d3170 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (SEPT. 5) - Libya reported its first AIDS case to the World Health Organisation (WHO) in August, as 10,000 new cases were reported for the month, WHO reported Wednesday.

The August figures bring to 283,010 the number of cases reported to WHO worldwide, while the number of persons estimated as suffering from the incurable disease that attacks the immune system is 700,000.

Another eight to 10 million are estimated to be infected by the HIV virus which leads to AIDS, according to WHO.

Among the 157 countries who are WHO members, only 21 have not reported any AIDS cases.

The Americas have reported 170,661 AIDS cases, compared to 167,014 as of the end of July and an increase of 13,182 for the year.

Of those cases, 140,822 have been reported in the United States (up 11,802 this year), 11,070 (up 415) in Brazil and 3,950 (up 128) in Canada.

In African countries, reported cases have risen 3,528 since the beginning of the year to a 70,724 total. While no new cases have been reported in Uganda this year, Uganda still has the most reported cases at 12,444.

The greatest reported increase in AIDS cases was in Zimbabwe with 1,502 new cases, bringing the total to 3,134 cases.

Reported AIDS cases in Europe have increased 4,689 since the beginning of the year to 38,503.

France remains the most seriously affected with 9,718 cases, but Spain experienced the greatest increase so far this year with 1,118 new cases for a 6,210 total.

Reportd new cases in Italy this year reached 1,015 by the end of August, bringing to 6,701 the number of Italians suffering from the incurable disease.

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#90248d3190 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT. 5) - Nigeria's Armed Forces Ruling Council on Wednesday decided to retire all generals who are not members of the AFRC, a source close to the presidency said.

The move affects eight Army generals and an unspecified number of admirals and rear-admirals in the Navy as well as Air Force marshals.

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#90248d3200 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (SEPT. 5) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,526.00 (1,564.00) 1,504.50 (1,539.50)
Lead 458.50 (461.00) 459.50 (461.50)
Zinc Sh 1,562.50 (1,592.50) 1,495.50 (1,514.50)
Tin 5,760.00 (5,760.00) 5,877.50 (5,872.50)
Aluminium 1,909.90 (1,869.00) 1,918.50 (1,883.50)

Nickel 10,825.00 (11,275.00) 10,687.00 (11,062.00)

(the last three in dollars per ton)

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#90248d3240 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) - The United States could ask the U.N. Security Council to vote on an air blockade of Iraq if the current international embargo against that country proves inadequate, Secretary of State James Baker said Wednesday.

"Some airflights get into Iraq," Mr. Baker told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

These violations are reported to the U.N. sanctions committee, but "if the committee is not effective ... we would be free to seek" authority to intercept the flights, he added.

The United States, however, was not considering taking that step in the immediate future, he said.

"So far we do not think the leakage has been substantial, but it is something we are watching," Mr. Baker said.

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#90248d3310 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 5) - French Minister of Industry Roger Fauroux presented a government plan here Wednesday to save about 30 million tons of oil in 10 years.

Addressing a government commission, he stressed the increased urgency to save energy because of the Gulf crisis, and urged that his proposals be adopted in the 1991 budget.

The plan includes tax breaks for those who buy electric-powered cars, who use renewable energy sources, who instal energy-saving heating devices and who invest in industrial energy-saving devices.

It would also make compulsory the installation of thermostats in offices and other buildings to indicate over-heating.

Oil consumption in France currently stands at 210 million tons a year.

Sources in the industry ministry say that the savings of 30 million tons in 10 years might seem modest, but many energy-saving measures had already become mandatory after previous oil shocks.

Mr. Fauroux would also not rule out more stringent measures later, such as restrictions on road traffic or interior heating, if the oil crisis got much worse. He confirmed that stricter speed limits and controls on auto emissions were also being studied.

The minister said France's petroleum bill would go up around 50 billion francs (about 9.5 billion dollars) in 1991, assuming an oil price of 30 dollars a barrel.

But he added that this would not amount to more than about 7.4 percent of the operating profits of commerce and industry, since many factories had already converted from oil to electricity.

Industries with most to lose from higher oil costs, he said, included the chemicals sector, paper packaging, cement and the glass industry, where one tonne of glass absorbs 100 kilograms (220 pounds) of petroleum.

Mr. Fauroux was sceptical about the development of such petrol substitutes as ethanol, which he said had not yet become cost-effective.

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#90248d3370 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT 5) - European Commissioner Filippo Maria Pandolfi on Wednesday played down a decision by Philips NV to withdraw from Europe's biggest research program in semiconductors.

The Dutch electronics, announcing a retrenchment, announced Tuesday it would pull out as leader of the S-RAM project of the Joint European Submicron Silicon Initiative (JESSI).

The European Economic Community joined the seven-year initiative last year in the aim of making the EEC a rival to the United States and Japan in advanced microprocessors, the heart of modern computers and consumer appliances.

Philips said it was closing down a 500-million-dollar pilot factory in Eindhoven to make one-megabit static random access memory (SRAMs) chips as world prices had slumped to to the point of making production unprofitable.

Mr. Pandolfi, in charge of research at the EEC's executive Commission, said that "while it is certainly not good news, it is far from meaning the collapse of the JESSI programme."

The S-RAM project, he noted, only accounts for six per cent of JESSI's total budget of five billion dollars, about one-quarter of which is being funded by the EEC. In any case, his statement said, Jessi remains an

"active participant" in other JESSI projects.

Mr. Pandolfi said the Commission is "more concerned with tackling the underlying reasons for the crisis of the European information technology industry, rather than individual cases which are consequences thereof."

The Commission would publish a paper shortly discussing how best to stimulate the industry in the great EEC single market of 1993, he said.

Philips also said it would cut back manufacturing of image sensors, liquid crystal displays for laptop computers and semiconductor lasers. All told, the measures will mean job losses of 4,000, out of a payroll of 35,000 in Philips' components division.

-30- 2096

#90248d3430 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG (SEPT. 5) - A member of the Hamburg city state parliament, Gerd Loeffler, was detained here Wednesday on suspicion of spying for the former Communist regime in East Germany.

Loeffler, 51, a physicist and member of parliament for the past 12 years, had been spokesman on energy for the opposition Christian Democrats (Cdu) in Hamburg.

He resigned Wednesday with immediate effect from the Cdu faction. A local newspaper quoted Loeffler as saying he did not want ''to say anything in this situation, my head is too full at the moment''.

The president of parliament, Helga Elstner, told the house that there was ''no one who was not shaken by the fact that our colleague faces such suspicion''. Loeffler's parliamentary immunity had been lifted so that he could clear his name.

Loeffler, who entered parliament in 1978, is alleged to have worked since 1974 for the now defunct East German Stasi secret police. His temporary detention was ordered by West German Prosecutor-General Alexander von Stahl.

Loeffler is to appear Thursday before a judge at the federal supreme court in Karlsruhe, who will decide whether to issue an arrest warrant.

The investigation of Loeffler was based on information passed to West German intelligence authorities by a former Stasi member.

Police said Loeffler was suspected of having betrayed information on the energy sector and details of internal developments within the Cdu which has been been the main party in the ruling Bonn coalition since 1982.

Police made a thorough search of Loeffler's Hamburg home Tuesday and Wednesday, taking documuents and computer discs.

-30- 1852

#90248d3470 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUXEMBOURG (SEPT 5) - A senior Tunisian official charged with seeking a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis warned Wednesday that Iraq could launch a "suicide operation" if it sees no other option, a Luxembourg diplomat said.

Sadok Arabah, a special envoy of Tunisian President Zine el-Abidine Ben Ali, was quoted by the diplomat as President Saddam Hussein of Iraq declared his country had no choice but to undertake "a holy war to liberate Islam's holy sites."

Mr. Arabah, communications minister, made the warning in a meeting here with Luxembourg Foreign Minister Jacques Poos.

He described the situation in the Gulf as "very critical" and said Iraq "could be tempted by a suicide operation," the diplomat said, without elaborating.

Tunisian emissaries have already been to Brussels, Baghdad and Beijing. Tunisia condemned the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, but refused to attend the Arab summit in Cairo which approved the dispatch of western and Arab troops to the Gulf, along with soldiers from other Moslem countries.

Mr. Arabah outlined Tunisia's five-point plan, the diplomat said.

This comprises: an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait; the release of hostages held in Iraq; guarantees by the countries with troops stationed in the Gulf that they will not attack Iraq once it has pulled out of Kuwait; and Iraqi guarantees to respect Kuwaiti sovereignty and the creation of a Kuwaiti government that would decide freely whether to join in union with Iraq.

When these four points have been agreed, the foreign troops deployed in the region would be replaced by an Arab multinational peacekeeping force, under the Tunisian plan.

President Hussein, in a speech read on Iraqi television Wednesday, called on the people of Egypt and Saudi Arabia to rebel against their leaders.

He added that Iraq has "no alternative but to undertake a holy war to liberate Islam's holy sites."

"We will not rest until the last (foreign) soldier leaves the region," he

said.

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#90248d3560 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAKARTA (SEPT 5) - The death toll from an explosion last week at a nickel smelter plant on the Indonesian island of Sulawesi has risen to six people from the initial two, PT International Nickel Indonesia said Wednesday.

The subsidiary of Canada's International Nickel Co. said in a statement that four other people were severely injured, three of them critically.

The explosion, which occurred Friday at one of the electric furnaces at the plant in Soroako, South Sulawesi, was believed to have been caused by a water leak.

The incident was being investigated by officials of company, the mines and energy ministry and by the police, the firm said.

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#90248d3700 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 5) - Gold prices recovered here Wednesday from a five dollar drop the previous day, closing at 387 dollars per ton, up from 382.25 at the close of trading Tuesday.

The recovery was triggered by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's call on Arabs in Saudi Arabia and Egypt to rise against their leaders and join a holy war agaist the Western presence in the Gulf.

Analysts said the market was taken surprise by the statement, after Tuesday's fall in bullion prices on expectations that war will not break out before the weekend.

"It was real mud-slinging stuff. We were expecting a holding statement from him (Saddam Hussein) and we got a blunderbus," said Andy Smith of UBS Phillips and Drew.

But the market is still not expecting any military action from U.S. President George Bush before his meeting in Helsinki with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on Sunday.

After that the U.S. president is expected in Brussels for talks with other Western leaders.

"We could see a fresh upturn Friday to cover the possibility of an American strike Monday," Mr. Smith said.

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#90248d3720 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (SEPT 5) - The African National Congress (ANC) and its ally, the Congress of South African Trade Unions (COSATU), demanded a judicial inquiry Wednesday into the deaths of 11 people killed when soldiers opened fire on a crowd on Tuesday.

The South African Defence Force (SADF) has come under scathing criticism for the deaths in Sebokeng black township, 60 kilometres (36 miles) south of here.

ANC spokesman Saki Macozoma said Wednesday that ANC deputy president Nelson Mandela had called for the inquiry. COSATU spokesman Zwelinzima Vavi also called for a judicial inquiry at a press conference here late Wednesday.

The SADF said the soldiers came under attack by mobs throwing stones and petrol bombs but witnesses and journalists said residents were moving towards the troops with their hands up in a peace gesture when the soldiers opened fire.

The shootings brought to 36 the number of people who died in Sebokeng on Tuesday when Zulu vigilantes loyal to Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom Party attacked township residents rallying under the ANC banner.

The ANC and COSATU were joined in their call for the appointment of a judicial commission of inquiry by a co-leader of the white liberal Democratic Party, Zach de Beer, who said the public will expect such an inquiry.

At the COSATU press conference, eye-witnesses said the soldiers opened fire without any warning after they were called in by police "to rescue" Inkatha vigilantes who were trapped in the hostel by ANC supporters.

Ernst Sotsu of the ANC-aligned Sebokeng Civic Association said "at no stage did our people provoke the SADF." "The SADF came out ready to shoot," he said.

Mr. Vavi claimed "a group of armed Inkatha vigilantes" led by the Transvaal chairman of Inkatha's Youth Brigade, Themba Khoza, and accompanied by "some whites who were clad in balaclavas," entered the hostel early on Tuesday morning and killed 19 people "on the spot."

Mr. Khoza was arrested on Tuesday in Sebokeng for possessing arms along with more than 100 Inkatha members.

Senior COSATU official Neil Coleman accused police of pulling back patrols around the hostel shortly before the vigilantes attacked the hostel --

described by residents as an ANC stronghold.

The SADF has launched an internal board of inquiry into the shootings while police were also investigating the incident.

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#90248d3820 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT 5) - The Malaysian government will donate 100,000 U.S. dollars worth of food in response to Jordan's appeal for basic food items to feed a massive influx of refugees, a senior official said Wendesday.

"We hope this will help alleviate the food shortage there," Foreign Minister Abu Hassan Omar was quoted by Bernama news agency as saying.

He said that the cabinet made the decision at its Wednesday weekly meeting.

The government's decision was also to express Malaysia's gratitude to the Jordanian government for its cooperation in helping Malaysians evacuated from Iraq and Kuwait to return home, he said.

Jordan appealed to foreign nations and relief agencies for basic foodstuffs last week after it found itself unable to cope with the hundreds of thousands of refugees who flooded across its borders after Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

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#90248d3920 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT 5) - Nigeria's Armed Forces Ruling Council (AFRC) decided Wednesday to retire all generals who are not members of the body, a source close to the presidency said.

The move affects eight army generals and an unspecified number of admirals and rear-admirals in the navy as well as several air force marshals.

The move will pave the way for the promotion of a large number of younger officers and cement the military team that will carry out the transition to civilian rule, which the president and chairman of the AFRC, General Ibrahim Babangida, has promised for late 1992.

Just how many promotions will follow remains unclear. Some posts may not be filled, in line with Gen. Babangida's announced intention to reduce the Nigerian army.

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#90248d4110 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's statement Wednesday calling on Egyptians and Saudis to overthrow their leaders was a "sign of desperation," White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said here.

Mr. Hussein's words were "another rhetorical diatribe designed to split Arab unity. We see it as a sign of desperation that Iraq is lashing out with hypocrisy and irrelevant statements," Mr. Fitzwater said.

"For Saddam to claim moral rectitude is totally beyond belief."

The Iraqi president's statement, read by his spokesman on Iraqi television, was broadcast live by Cable News Network in the United States.

Mr. Fitzwater refused to comment on the different issues Mr. Hussein raised in his statement.

He did say, however, that there was "no evidence" to support Mr. Hussein's claim that Iraqi children were dying because of the international trade embargo against his country.

Besides calling for Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Saudi King Fahd to be overthrown, the Iraqi president called for a "holy war" to protect Islam's holy sites in Saudi Arabia.

On other matters, Mr. Fitzwater said U.S. President George Bush spoke over the phone Wednesday with his ambassador in Kuwait City, Nathaniel Howell, who continued defying together with another 10 U.S. diplomats an Iraqi order to close down the mission and move to Baghdad.

Mr. Bush, the spokesman added, told the ambassador that Americans were proud in seeing that the embassy continued to help some 2,000 stranded countrymen who wanted to leave the country, despite the difficult conditions it was in -- water and power have been cut to the building.

Telephone links with the embassy were very patchy, he said.

Mr. Fitzwater said the U.S. embassy in Kuwait City had supplies for only "a short period of time," refusing to give any further details the Iraqi authorities might be interested in.

The U.S. diplomats would remain in the compound "as long as they can," said the White House spokesman.

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#90248d4150 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONTEVIDEO (SEPT 5) - Uruguay has decided to complain to the United Nations about the Security Council-mandated economic embargo against Iraq,

Foreign Minister Hector Gros Espiell said Wednesday.

The minister said article 50 of the U.N. Charter allowed member states to consult with the Security Council if they should suffer economic hardship as a result of any such embargo.

Mr. Gros Espiell said other countries -- specifically Jordan, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia and Turkey -- had made similar representations to the Security Council.

Saying Uruguay "has complied with and will comply with" the embargo, Mr. Gros Espiell pointed out that his country was on the verge of assigning a contract to provide Iraq with 22,000 tonnes of mutton and lamb at the time the Gulf crisis erupted.

The minister said the government's intention for the present was simply to raise the problem without suggesting any potential remedies.

However, observers said the move could be the first step toward the country seeking some relief under a plan being pushed by the United States for international contributions to a fund to help relieve thje costs of the crisis to some of the poorest nations.

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#90248d4160 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT 5) - Nigeria has increased its oil production in accordance with the recent OPEC decision, and can sustain the present output level for an indefinite period, the official News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) said Wednesday.

An official source in the Nigerian National Petroleum Corp. (NNPC) told the news agency that boosting output had not been difficult "since oil companies operating here had been placed on the alert as a result of the Gulf crisis."

Although the report did not quantify the volume of the increase over Nigeria's OPEC quota of 1.611 million barrels a day (mbd), the source said that the country has the capacity to produce 2.0 mbd.

The OPEC ministerial monitoring committee agreed in Vienna last week on an unspecified increase in OPEC production to make up for the shortfall in oil supply caused by the U.N. embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil.

Individual OPEC members were given the option to decide how to increase production based on output capacity and reserve base.

Nigeria has managed to produce 2.5 mbd in the past but had been forced to

"restrict our production in line with the market situation and our OPEC quota," the source told NAN.

Following the intensification of oil exploration in the last few years, oil companies have recently announced new finds in their opearational areas, the source added.

Preliminary estimates indicate that the findings amount to some 400 million barrels of oil and to more than half a trillion cubic feet of gas, NAN said.

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#90248d4260 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 5) - French Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement will visit Egypt on September 7-9, and Qatar and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) on September 22-24, official sources said here Wednesday.

In Egypt, Mr. Chevenement is to hold "an exchange of views in depth" on the Gulf crisis with President Hosni Mubarak, the sources said.

In the UEA, he will inspect French forces which are to be reinforced soon by a French command structure of less than 20 officers that will interface with the local authorities, according to informed sources.

The French presence in the UAE currently comprises about 300 men including a ground reconnaisance force, two Crotale surface-to-air missile units and a Mistral missile unit.

In addition, French combat helicopter pilots from the aircraft carrier Clemenceau have begun training with UAE helicopter pilots.

In Qatar, where France has provided significant military and other aid, the minister's discussions will follow the same lines.

On Tuesday, Mr. Chevenement said France wanted an "international resolution" to toughen the United Nations' trade embargo on Baghdad, but warned that any military intervention in Iraq could leave "at least 100,000 dead."

Speaking on French radio, he warned that it was foolhardy to believe such a conflict in Iraq would not spread beyond the Middle East, and added that he still had faith in "diplomacy" and a "dialogue" between the West and the Arabs.

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#90248d4300 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) - The U.S. Navy is currently monitoring a Bahamas-flag vessel, leased to Iraq, which is suspected of transporting equipment which could be used for nuclear weaponry, U.S. Government officials said Wednesday.

According to one official, who insisted on anonymity, the Gur Mariner is currently "floating around in the Mediterranean" after having apparently tried to reach the Jordanian port of Aqaba. It has been under U.S. surveillance since a stopover last week at Port Said, Egypt, they said.

"For the moment it can pretty well stay where it is, but if it tries to go through (the blockade) we'll interdict it," said one official.

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#90248d4320 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (SEPT. 5) - The Turkish parliament here Wednesday gave the government powers to use military force in the Gulf crisis.

The decision gives the government a free hand - stopping short of declaring war - in sending troops abroad or allowing foreign troops in Turkey to enhance the country's security.

The vote, with 246 in favour and 136 against, was taken in a reportedly stormy closed session.

The decision was seen as a personal victory for President Turgut Ozal who had insisted on flexibility after parliament voted him similar powers on August 12 but only in the event of an attack on Turkey.

Opposition leaders, fearing the powers could be used to allow the American forces to open a second front against Iraq from Turkey, accused Ozal of adventurism. They charged that he was putting the country's security in jeopardy for undefined rewards.

But after the vote, Premier Yildirim Akbulut said the government did not want war and would exercise its powers with restraint. He said a frigate could be sent to the Gulf as an early measure.

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#90248d4420 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker was due to leave Wednesday for a tour of Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Egypt before flying on to Helsinki for the U.S.-Soviet minisummit, the State Department said.

Spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said Mr. Baker would meet in Jeddah Thursday

with Saudi King Fahd and with Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al Faisal.

Friday, Mr. Baker will meet with the exiled Emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jabir al-Ahmad al-Jabir al-Sabah in Taef and then travel to Abu Dhabi for a meeting with the President of the United Arab Emirates, Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al Nayer.

Saturday, Mr. Baker is due in Alexandria, Egypt, for a meeting with President Hosni Mubarak. He will then travel to Helsinki for the George Bush-Mikhail Gorbachev summit.

Following the Helsinki summit, Mr. Baker is due to travel to Moscow, where he will stay September 10-13, for the "Two-plus-four" meeting of the foreign ministers of the two Germanies plus the foreign ministers of the four major victorious allies of World War II -- Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States.

Miss Tutwiler said the secretary of state also planned to visit other European capitals but could not yet give details of his itinerary.

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#90248d4430 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT. 5) - A Nigerian committee on corruption and economic crimes has recommended that the government set up a "corrupt practices" court, the committee chairman, Supreme Court Justice Kayode Esho, said here Wednesday.

Presenting the committee's report to President Ibrahim Babangida, the judge called for an "independent committee against corruption" similar to one in Hong Kong, but with a Nigerian flavour and the right to try alleged offenders.

The judge's committee, made up of judges and lawyers, criminologists, police, journalists, military men, lawyers, clergymen and social crusaders, urged a public declaration of assets by high-ranking civil servants.

In his response, President Babangida blamed much of the corruption in Nigeria on a general lack of exemplary leadership and probity among public servants, and their desire to get rich quickly.

The anti-corruption committee was inaugurated in April last year to tackle what was officially described as the "endemic problems" of corruption and other economic crimes.

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#90248d4460 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EAST BERLIN (SEPT 5) - Senior officials from the four World War Two allies and the two German states will meet again on Thursday in the current final round of the ''two plus four'' talks on German unity, informed sources said Wednesday.

They said further progress had been achieved Wednesday on a time limit for the withdrawal of Soviet forces from East Germany. The talks were then adjourned to give the Soviet delegation time to consult with the foreign ministry in Moscow.

It was not clear when the talks would be brought to an end, although the sources said all sides had stated their readiness to have a final document ready for signing by the six foreign ministers in Moscow September 12.

Originally it was hoped that the document would be ready for initialling on Wednesday. Its purpose is to settle the external aspects of German reunification, specifically the end of special responsibilities and privileges of the four powers.

The talks are being conducted by foreign ministry officials from Bonn, East Berlin, Washington, London, Paris and Moscow.

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#90248d4480 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FARNBOROUGH, England (SEPT 5) - The private French group Matra Defense and the British group GEC-Marconi have made a joint proposal to the British defense ministry to supply Micasraam missiles, Noel Forgeard, president of Matra Defense-Espace, said here Wednesday.

The missile is based on Matra's air-to-air Mica missile, but was optimised for short-range missions in collaboration with GEC. Mr. Forgeard said the proposal demonstrated the two firms' commitment to joint strategic projects.

After the joint firm Matra-Marconi-Espace -- with Matra holding 51 per cent -- was created at the end of 1989, Matra's Defense-Espace branch expressed interest in more joint defense projects with GEC, Mr. Forgeard added.

But both Matra and GEC "wanted to move ahead step by step", he said.

He forecast that the Mica family of missiles would become the air-to-air missile of the 1990s, and expected the Micasraam, which would be ready in 1995, to draw a five billion-dollar export market in 15 years.

Both Mr. Forgeard and Dave Fletcher, head of GEC-Marconi, said they expected "a favorable decision from Britain in the coming months".

Mr. Fletcher said it was important to develop European missiles that did not depend on American licenses for export.

But he said Britain was not likely to buy the standard version of the Mica, because of a prior agreement with the United States on the medium-range AMRAAM air-to-air missiles.

Mr. Forgeard suggested another field of possible cooperation with GEC would be in the Apache air-to-ground missiles currently under development by Matra with the French firm Aerospatiale.

He said Matra had only two strategic partners in Europe, GEC and Deutsche Aerospace. He added that "no country can remain alone in the armaments field, and industrialists will have to associate to answer their joint needs".

Mr. Forgeard set Matra's overall sales at 10.65 billion francs (2.01 billion dollars) in 1990.

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#90248d4600 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT 5) - A delegation from the Italian parliament's foreign affairs committee arrived here late Wednesday to discuss the Gulf crisis with their Iraqi counterparts, the official INA news agency reported.

It said the group would spend several days in the Iraqi capital.

The Italian Foreign Ministry said earlier that a group of 27 Italian women and children who left Kuwait City on September 1 were to arrive in Amman late Wednesday with refugees from other countries.

Correspondents in the Jordanian capital said the Italians arrived on board an Iraqi Airways jet, along with 62 French women and children, 23 Britons and other foreign nationals.

An Italian foreign ministry spokesman said a total of 360 Italians were still in Iraq and Kuwait.

They, along with thousands of other foreigners, have been held hostage since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90248d4930 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT 5) - Pakistan Wednesday sent a ministerial delegation to Saudi Arabia to seek help in overcoming the impact of the Gulf crisis on the domestic economy, officials here said.

The crisis has "badly affected" the country, the minister for petroleum and natural resources, Majid Malik, said before leaving for the oil-rich kingdom.

Pakistan's interim government has not yet raised fuel prices despite a soaring oil market. Reliable sources said the government was hesitant to pass on the burden to consumers ahead of elections, due on October 24.

Mr. Malik, leading a four-member team of experts and officials, told reporters he was carrying a special letter from President Ghulam Ishaq Khan for King Fahd.

He was to hold talks with the Saudi oil and finance ministers and also meet with Kuwaiti ministers in the kingdom. Later the delegation will visit Abu Dhabi.

Pakistan is participating in the multinational force assembled in Saudi Arabia after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Disruption of oil supplies from Kuwait and loss of remittances by Pakistani workers in Kuwait and Iraq has hit the country hard, he said.

The minister said before the Gulf crisis, Pakistan received annual remittances worth 170 million dollars from Kuwait and 100 million dollars from Iraq.

He said Pakistan used to import 70 per cent of its oil requirements from Kuwait, and had extensive trade ties.

Mr. Malik said that acquisition of refined oil was the real problem as industrialised countries such as the United States and Japan had booked the refineries in Singapore and other countries.

He said the government was considering obtaining crude oil and then shipping it to foreign refineries.

The minister said talks were underway with Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore and Brunei to meet shortages.

France had also been approached to help with oil refining, he added.

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#90248d5320 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 6) - Arab determination to stop Iraqi aggression remains strong, British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said here Wednesday, returning from a tour of the Gulf region.

Speaking at London's Heathrow airport, Mr. Hurd expressed hope that the international sanctions against Iraq would lead to a solution to the crisis.

"I think what we have done is show the Arabs in the Gulf who are friends, who are staunch against the Iraqi aggression, that the West is going to stand with them on this and one way or the other Saddam Hussein will be forced to pull out of Kuwait," he said.

Mr. Hurd's tour included visits to Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Yemen, Saudi Arabia and Jordan, to discuss the crisis sparked when President Saddam Hussein of Iraq sent his troops to invade Kuwait on August 2.

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#90248d5450 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (SEPT 5) - A U.S. congressman Wednesday said Japan -- which has been slow in responding to the Gulf crisis -- should pay for U.S. troops stationed on their island nation.

U.S. Representative David Bonior, a Michigan democrat, said in addition to what he termed Japan's slow response, a one-billion-dollar assistance package it had promised appears likely to be delayed.

"Too often we have seen Japanese promises and no action," Mr. Bonior told reporters. "They should pay a greater share in the Persian Gulf and they should pay for our troops protecting Japan."

Mr. Bonior, the fourth ranking democrat in the U.S. House of Representatives, said he wrote an amendment for Japan to pay for U.S. troops stationed there to be offered in the fiscal 1991 defense bill. He said he drafted it before Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2.

U.S. forces in the Gulf are protecting the oil interests of U.S. allies, he said, including Japan.

"Everyone is bellying up and doing their part, and they (the Japanese) are hanging back. I think that's grossly unfair," Mr. Bonior said.

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#90248d5490 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG, (SEPT 6) - Three right-wing fugitives wanted by Namibian authorities on charges of murdering a security guard last August in an attack on United Nations offices will be extradited to Namibia, police said here Wednesday.

Johannesburg police said in a statement issued here that warrants for the arrest of the three men were issued by a magistrate and were aimed at starting extradition proceedings as soon as possible.

Two of the men, Darryl Stopforth and Leonard Veenendal, are being held under security laws for their alleged responsibility for a wave of bomb attacks in and around Johannesburg in June and July, while a third rightwinger, Horst Klenz, is still on the run.

The men escaped from Namibian custody in central Namibia in December last year. A young Namibian policeman was fatally wounded when the rightwingers, assisted by unknown accomplices, escaped.

In Windhoek, Namibian police spokesman Deputy Commissioner Jumbo Smit welcomed the extradition steps saying: "I am optimistic that something is at last being done," the SAPA news agency reported.

At the time of Namibia's independence from South Africa on March 22, no formal extradition agreements existed between the two countries.

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#90248d5510 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DENVER, Colorado (SEPT 5) - The Soviet Union will invite bids at the end of the year from foreign oil companies interested in exploring for oil on Soviet territory, the U.S.-based Wavetech Geophysical said Wednesday.

Moscow has contracted with Wavetech to organize the bidding.

Some foreign firms have recently been approached to work on specific projects in the Soviet Union.

The U.S. oil companies Chevron and Texaco and the French group Elf Aquitaine recently signed cooperation accords with Moscow.

But the call for bids would mark the first time Moscow opened a portion of Soviet territory for the exploration and extraction of its mineral resources by foreign firms under the concessional Western busine

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#90248d6010 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 6) - Heroin refineries appear to be mushrooming on the Thai-Malaysian border to avoid a crackdown on the illegal narcotics industry in northern Thailand, a senior Thai police official said Wednesday.

Border Police Colonel Prasert Chan-in said his forces had discovered the area's first known heroin refinery in a dense rubber plantation five kilometers north of the border on Tuesday and raided it after exchanging fire for about five minutes with several unidentified men.

After the gunmen fled, the police seized 400 grammes of refined top-grade heroin, 12 bottles of ether and 14 bottles of chloroform at the refinery in Sadao district of Songkhla province, some 960 kilometers (570 miles) south of here.

The illegal refining industry appeared to be migrating southward to evade a police crackdown in the notorious Golden Triangle region where Thailand borders on Burma and Laos, and where opium, the raw ingredient of heroin, is grown, Col. Prasert said.

He said he suspected that many heroin refineries had mushroomed along the border.

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#90248d9620 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 5) - South Korea has established formal diplomatic ties with Zambia at ambassador level, the foreign ministry here announced Wednesday.

A senior ministry official said the normalisation of relations would have a favourable effect on other African countries that have yet to set up ties with Seoul, such as Angola, Mozambique, Tanzania and Zimbabwe.

Zambia was previously politically close to North Korea.

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#90248d9830 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (SEPT. 5) - Taiwan's consumer price index was 5.63 percent up in August over a year earlier, bringing the inflation rate to 3.9 percent for the first eight months of this year, a top statistics official said Wednesday.

Yu Chien-min, head of the Directorate General of Budget, Accounting and Statistics, attributed the rise in August to jumps in prices of fresh vegetables following three typhoons which damaged crops.

The agency adjusted the projected inflation rate for this year to 4.2 per cent from 3.64 percent.

The island's inflation hit an eight-year high of 4.41 percent in 1989, compared with just 1.28 percent in 1988.

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#90248d9840 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 5) - Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) will give Peru 120 trucks as economic development aid, a party official said Wednesday.

LDP secretary general Ichiro Ozawa conveyed the decision to Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori in a telephone call Tuesday, the official added.

The 120 trucks, valued at 300 million yen (2.1 million dollars), will be purchased in Latin America and will not be sent from Japan as originally planned.

The assistance comes after Mr. Fujimori, who has Japanese ancestry, visited Tokyo in July after his election as president.

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#90248d9870 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (SEPT. 5) - The Philippines' annual inflation rate dropped to 11.1 percent nationwide and 15.4 percent in the capital in August, the National Statistics Office (NSO) said Wednesday.

The NSO said the effects of the July 16 earthquake on the main island Luzon contributed to higher inflation in some areas, but nationwide the average was cushioned by slower increases in prices of basic goods and services.

The nationwide inflation rate stood at 12.6 percent in July, while in Manila it stood at 16.5 percent, the NSO said.

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#90248d9900 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Hanua, West Germany (SEPT. 5) - Three West German men went on trial here Wednesday for allegedly selling nuclear processing equipment and atom-bomb-grade tritium gas without permission to Pakistan.

The main defendant, Rudolf Maximilian Ortmayer, former managing director of the company Neue Technologien GmbH (Ntg), has been free since January on a bail of 600,000 marks (382,000 dollars).

Prosecutors plan to lead or cite testimony from nearly 50 witnesses to show that Ortmayer and two former business partners evaded West Germany's export control and arms control laws between 1981 and 1988 to help Pakistan's nuclear weapon research programme.

The co-defendants are a physicist, Peter Finke, who was arrested at the

beginning of this year in Luxembourg, and a chemist, Heinrich Weichselgaertner, who used to work for one of West Germany's prestigious Max Planck pure science institutes.

The case against two other accused was dropped in July after they agreed to fines of 50,000 marks (31,850 dollars) apiece.

Anti-nuclear demonstrators who turned up for the start of the trial Wednesday demanded that federal government ministers and the federal export-supervision agency should be the ones on trial.

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#90248d9970 09/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 5) - Japan's Sanwa Bank Ltd., the country's fourth largest, plans to acquire 75 percent of Canada's McCarthy Securities Co. Ltd. for an undisclosed sum, a bank official said Wednesday.

The Osaka-based bank said the purchase, to be made through Sanwa Bank Canada Ltd., was subject to approval and also involved the injection of additional capital in the form of an undisclosed amount of subordinated debt.

The acquisition aims to help expand sales of Canadian bonds to Japanese investors including insurance firms while boosting sales of securities underwritten by Sanwa to Canadian institutional investors, it said.

The new company, to be renamed Sanwa McCarthy Securities Co. Ltd., will also offer investment and commercial banking services in conjunction with Sanwa Bank Canada whose assets amount to 1.2 billion Canadian dollars (one billion U.S.).

McCarthy Securities, currently capitalised at four million dollars (3.4 million U.S.) has seats on the Toronto and Montreal stock exchanges in addition to an office in Geneva.

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#90248e0003 09/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

New Delhi (SEPT. 5) EFE - At least 23 people were killed and 40 injured when a bomb planted by suspected Bodo separatists tore through a passenger bus in the northeastern Indian state of Assam, the PTI news agency reported Wednesday.

Seventeen of the victims died instantly when the bomb exploded during rush hour Tuesday in a parked bus at a terminal in the town of Rangiya, the report said.

The dispersion of severed limbs and bus fragments around the area were hampering the task of emergency medical teams, PTI said.

It was the worst such bomb incident since guerrillas from the Bodo tribe began fighting for the independence of a section of Assam seven years ago.

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#90248e0007 09/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Managua (SEPT. 5) EFE - The Nicaraguan government has announced a 34 per cent salary hike for state employees in an effort to protect their purchasing power amid skyrocketing inflation.

At a press conference Tuesday, Finance Minister Emilio Pereira said the wages of public workers would be paid in old cordobas, which have been continually devalued against the U.S. dollar.

But he added that a minimum salary of 50 gold cordobas, whose value is fixed to the U.S. dollar, would be guaranteed.

The two types of cordobas, along with the dollar, circulate in Nicaragua.

The government last raised state workers' salaries on August 3 by between 40 and 60 per cent. The average monthly income in the sector is between dlrs 350 and 500.

In May, a powerful state workers' union linked to the former ruling Sandinistas staged a crippling week-long strike to demand pay hikes from the conservative government of President Violeta Chamorro.

The stoppage, in which six people were killed in related violence, ended after the government agreed to some of the strikers' demands.

Opposition Sandinista party officials estimate inflation has reached 2,000 per cent over the past 12 months.

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#90248e0009 09/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Bilbao, Spain (SEPT. 5) EFE - The Basque separatist group ETA claimed responsibility for 11 recent terrorist attacks in Spain in a communique published Wednesday in the radical Basque daily Egin.

Among the actions claimed by ETA, was an August 17 car bomb attack on a civil guard barracks in the northern city of Burgos in which 47 people were injured.

The other attacks included four explosions on railroad lines which ETA

threatened to sabotage during a two-week period last month, a grenade attack on another civil guard barracks and a package bomb sent to an officer of the corps which was defused.

In its communique, ETA also acknowledged the membership of a youth who was killed August 21 while handling a bomb outside a supermarket in the northern Basque region.

The group has killed more than 600 people since it began fighting for the right to independence of northern Spain's Basque region in 1968.

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#90248e0018 09/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Manila (SEPT. 5) EFE - A powerful quake measuring 5.7 on the open-ended Richer scale struck the southern Philippine island of Mindanao Wednesday, seismological experts said.

It was not known if the quake caused any casualties or damage.

The experts located the epicenter of the quake in the province of Surigao del Sur, 840 km south of Manila.

More than 2,000 people died when a massive quake rocked the northern Philippine island of Luzon in July.

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#90248e0033 09/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Amman (SEPT. 5) EFE - The Red Cross said Wednesday that a new refugee camp is being built at Azraq, 100 km east of Amman, which will be able to hold up to 30,000 refugees fleeing from Iraq and Kuwait.

A spokesman for the organization also said that Jordanian authorities were planning to build two other camps to hold 200,000 refugees, although the sites for these had not yet been decided.

Most of the occupants of the camps are expected to be Bangladeshis and Sri Lankans, whose repatriation may be held up because of transport problems.

Since Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2, more than 400,000 refugees have fled into Jordan.

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#90248e0034 09/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Buenos Aires (SEPT. 5) EFE - The Argentine government Wednesday announced the compulsory rescheduling of its internal debt, cancelled orders from

state industry and launched a further phase of public sector lay-offs.

The latest measures were revealed in a 122-point decree made public by Deputy Economy Minister Carlos Carballo.

As from October 1, all state sector offices will be required to cut their payroll by 15 per cent, resulting in the loss of some 80,000 jobs by the end of the year.

All state enterprises dependent on the Defense and Public Works Ministries many of which are already set to be privatized, will now be run by the Economy Ministry, effectively giving that ministry absolute control over public spending.

Furthermore, the decree establishes that the government's dlrs eight billion internal debt will be paid off through the compulsive issuing of 10-year bonds which will pay eight per cent interest yearly.

The state-run electricity, water, and gas industries will now be allowed to cut supplies to other state industries that do not pay their bills.

At the same time, state-owned cars used by senior civil servants will be auctioned off and public companies will be obliged to use private legal firms.

The decree forms part of the rigorous program of economic reforms announced the day after President Carlos Menem took office 14 months ago.

Last week, Economy Minister Antonio Erman Gonzalez announced on state television that public service costs were to rise.

Following the minister's broadcast, the opposition slammed the measures, declaring they would only bring misery and further recession.

The government has announced its intention to increase its budget surplus of around dlrs 100 million expected for August as a way of reducing inflation, and revitalizing industry.

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#90248e0041 09/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Guadalajara, Mexico (SEPT. 5) EFE - Five students from the Mexican university of Guadalajara have been shot dead by suspected drug traffickers, police said Wednesday.

A police spokesman said the incident took place Sunday night when the youths, who were driving through a suburb of Guadalajara in a pick-up truck, were made to stop the vehicle by a group of nine armed men.

According to witnesses the students, one of whom was a 22-year-old woman, were lined up against a wall, blindfolded and with their hands tied, and then shot three times in the back of the head.

The students were not robbed, and the form of killing has led the police to believe the deaths were +executions+ as part of a vendetta between drug gangs in the western city.

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#90248e0043 09/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

London (SEPT. 5) EFE - Kuwait's deposed Al-Sabah royal family would not accept any peace plan for the Gulf crisis which meant it would have to leave power and live in exile, former Kuwaiti Prime Minister Prince Saad al-Sabah said Wednesday.

Speaking at a press conference in the British capital, Al-Sabah reiterated that the only way out of the crisis, sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of its tiny oil-rich neighbor, was for Iraq to unconditionally pull its troops out of Kuwait.

"We insist on the total implementation of the (United Nations) Security Council resolutions which establish the unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from our country," he said.

Kuwaiti Emir Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah and many members of his family fled to Saudi Arabia during the Iraqi invasion.

Prince Saad said that Kuwait would not forget the pro-Iraqi position taken by Jordan's King Hussein throughout the crisis.

"King Hussein must face up to the consequences of his policies and the grave mistakes he has made and continues making," he added.

He said that once the crisis was over, oil-rich Kuwait would not give such generous economic assistance to Jordan as it had done in the past.

The prince said that the exiled Kuwaiti government was prepared to partially fund the U.S.-led multinational force in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf but refused to put a figure on how much it would give.

"If sacrifices are needed we are ready to be in the front line. The (Al-Sabah) family will be the first to sacrifice their lives for our country," he said.

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#90248e0052 09/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
SANTIAGO (SEPT 5) EFE - A rock explosion in a Chilean copper mine Wednesday killed one man and injured two others while they were working to reinforce underground tunnels, the National Chilean Copper Corporation (CODELCO) reported.

All three victims of the explosion at the El Teniente mine, 130 km southeast of Santiago, worked for a company contracted to strengthen the linings of the tunnels against such accidents.

Rock explosions in mines are small earthquakes that occur as a result of violent changes in rock pressure during drilling, and can only be avoided by reinforcing the tunnel walls, CODELCO said.

Two similar accidents have occurred in Chile already this year.

Five miners died in January after being trapped in a mine shaft following a rock explosion in January, while another mine blast in July caused extensive damage but harmed no workers.

The El Teniente mine produces an estimated 350,000 tons of copper each year.

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#90248f1963 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 387.63 off 1.86.

#90248f1964 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austral	.000171	.000169	5840.00	5929.70
Australia dlr	.8265	.8159	1.2099	1.2256
Austria schill	.0907	.0900	11.02	11.11
Belgium franc-c	.0311	.0307	32.15	32.53
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	33.95	33.95
Brazil cruzado	.0151	.0147	66.11	68.25
Britain pound	1.9053	1.8805	.5249	.5318
Britain 1-mo	1.8940	1.8669	.5280	.5356
Britain 3-mo	1.8741	1.8497	.5336	.5406
Britain 6-mo	1.8468	1.8223	.5415	.5488
Canada dollar	.8680	.8658	1.1521	1.1550
Canada 1-mo	.8643	.8625	1.1570	1.1594
Canada 3-mo	.8581	.8560	1.1653	1.1682
Canada 6-mo	.8505	.8486	1.1758	1.1784
Chile peso-f	.003337	.003396	299.71	294.46
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001938	.001939	516.10	515.62
Denmark krne	.1669	.1656	5.9920	6.0390
Ecudr sucre-z	.001129	.001117	886.05	894.96
Egypt pound	.3714	.3728	2.6924	2.6825
Finlnd mrkka	.2711	.2696	3.6890	3.7090
France franc	.1907	.1891	5.2430	5.2880
France 1-mo	.1904	.1888	5.2527	5.2978
France 3-mo	.1896	.1880	5.2733	5.3185
France 6-mo	.1907	.1869	5.2430	5.3515
Greece drach	.006470	.006436	154.57	155.37
Hollnd guildr	.5693	.5622	1.7566	1.7786
HongKong dlr	.1288	.1288	7.7665	7.7645
India rupee	.0571	.0569	17.51	17.57
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000541	1846.00	1847.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7190	1.6690	0.5817	0.5992
Israel shekel	.5020	.4980	1.9920	2.0080
Italy lira	.000860	.000849	1163.00	1177.25
Japan yen	.007062	.006971	141.60	143.45
Japan 1-mo	.007070	.006981	141.45	143.25
Japan 3-mo	.007090	.006995	141.05	142.95

Japan 6-mo	.007092	.007092	141.01	141.00
Jordan dinar	1.5352	1.5328	.6514	.6524
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000347	2880.00	2880.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6265	.6193	1.5962	1.6147
Norway krne	.1657	.1637	6.0365	6.1070
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0464	21.50	21.52
Peru inti	.000003	.000003	379,225	379,525
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escud	.007239	.007191	138.14	139.06
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5729	.5670	1.7456	1.7637
S.Africa rand	.3917	.3902	2.5532	2.5630
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010194	.010111	98.10	98.90
Sweden krona	.1742	.1724	5.7400	5.8010
Switzrl franc	.7719	.7576	1.2955	1.3200
Switzrl 1-mo	.7720	.7575	1.2953	1.3202
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7711	.7567	1.2969	1.3215
Switzrl 6-mo	.7696	.7552	1.2993	1.3242
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.90	26.90
Turkey liraP	.000374	.000374	2677.00	2677.00
UAI dirham	.2730	.2731	3.6628	3.6618
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0208	.0209	48.07	47.95
W.Ger Mark	.6416	.6337	1.5585	1.5780
W.Ger 1-mo	.6415	.6335	1.5589	1.5785
W.Ger 3-mo	.6414	.6329	1.5590	1.5801
W.Ger 6-mo	.6391	.6313	1.5648	1.5841
Yugosl dinar	.0929	.0923	10.77	10.83

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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BERLIN (SEPT. 5) XINHUA - THE DEMOCRATIC GERMAN GOVERNMENT AGREED TODAY TO INCREASE THE WAGES OF 1.7 MILLION WORKERS BELONGING TO 14 TRADE UNIONS, ACCORDING TO THE GOVERNMENT ADN NEWS AGENCY.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT, WHICH CAME AFTER 15 HOURS OF TALKS, THE WORKERS WILL GET A 200-DM (1 DM EQUALS TO 0.6 U.S. DOLLAR) RISE IN THEIR MONTHLY PAY AS OF SEPTEMBER, WITH ADDITIONAL 50 DMS FOR EACH OF THEIR CHILDREN AS A SUBSIDY FOR INFLATION FOLLOWING THE INTRODUCTION OF DM AT THE BEGINNING OF

JULY.

TRADE UNIONS, ESPECIALLY THE ONE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICES AND TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS, HAVE STAGED SEVERAL WARNING STRIKES SINCE AUGUST, DEMANDING A 350-DM MONTHLY PAY RISE AND A SUBSIDY OF 50 DMS FOR EACH CHILD.

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BEIJING (SEPT. 5) XINHUA - CHINA WILL REAP A BUMPER AUTUMN HARVEST THIS YEAR THANKS TO THE EFFORTS OF THE COUNTRY'S MAJOR AUTUMN CROPS PRODUCTION AREAS.

WHILE MANY FARMERS HAVE USED SCIENTIFIC METHODS TO TRANSFORM MIDDLE- AND LOW-YIELD CROPLAND, MOST OF THESE AREAS, INCLUDING JILIN, HEILONGJIANG AND HEBEI PROVINCES, HAVE ALSO ENLARGED GROWING AREAS FOR CORN AND RICE.

FOR INSTANCE, IN NORTHEASTERN CHINA'S JILIN PROVINCE, THE GROWING AREAS FOR CORN AND RICE THIS AUTUMN REACHED 2.2214 MILLION HECTARES AND 480,000 HECTARES RESPECTIVELY, UP 12 PERCENT AND 18.5 PERCENT OVER LAST YEAR.

FARMERS HAVE ALSO INCREASED GROWING AREAS FOR SOME HIGH-YIELD CROPS AND APPLIED MORE FERTILIZER TO FARMLAND IN ORDER TO ENSURE THIS YEAR'S BUMPER AUTUMN HARVEST.

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#90248h0048 09/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (SEPT. 5) XINHUA - UNEMPLOYMENT IS THE BIGGEST CHALLENGE FACING KENYA AS IT HAS TO CREATE 14 MILLION JOBS BY THE YEAR 2000, KENYAN MINISTER FOR TECHNICAL TRAINING AND APPLIED TECHNOLOGY PROF. SAM ONGERI SAID YESTERDAY.

MR. ONGERI SAID THAT KENYA MUST ENTER INTO A NEW PHASE OF DEVELOPMENT TO ACCOMMODATE THE GROWING WORK FORCE IN THE COUNTRY, THE "DAILY NATION" NEWSPAPER REPORTED TODAY.

RECENT STUDIES, HE WENT ON, SHOW THAT THE SMALL-SCALE AND SELF-EMPLOYED SECTORS ARE GENERATING EMPLOYMENT FASTER THAN THE MODERN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS.

THE MINISTER NOTED THAT IT COSTS AN AVERAGE OF 20,000 KENYAN SHILLINGS (ABOUT 950 U.S. DOLLARS) TO CREATE A JOB IN THE SMALL- SCALE AND SELF-EMPLOYED SECTORS WHILE 320,000 SHILLINGS ARE NEEDED TO CREATE A JOB IN THE MODERN PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTORS.

"THIS INDICATES THAT FOR EVERY ONE JOB CREATED IN THE MODERN SECTORS, 16 MORE JOBS CAN BE CREATED IN THE SMALL-SCALE AND SELF- EMPLOYED SECTORS,"

HE ADDED.

THE COUNTRY WILL HAVE TO ESTABLISH ABOUT 400,000 TO 500,000 SMALL BUSINESSES TO MEET THE GROWING DEMAND FOR JOBS BY THE YEAR 2000, THE MINISTER SAID.

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#90248h0050 09/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 5) XINHUA - THAILAND'S EXPORT PROMOTION ACTIVITIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1991 (FROM OCTOBER 1, 1990 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1991) WILL FOCUS MAINLY ON JAPAN DUE TO ITS BRIGHT POTENTIAL UNDER A NEWLY REVISED STRATEGY.

A REPORT OF THE EXPORT PROMOTION DEPARTMENT OF THAILAND RELEASED TUESDAY QUOTED ITS DIRECTOR-GENERAL CHALOR FUENG-AROM AS SAYING THAT THE STRATEGY ON EXPORT PROMOTION WAS AGREED AT A RECENT MEETING BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE SECTOR ASSOCIATIONS CONCERNED.

THE REVISION WAS NEEDED DUE TO UNCERTAINTIES SURROUNDING MIDDLE EASTERN MARKETS FOLLOWING IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2, CHALOR SAID.

THE MEETING BELIEVED JAPAN HAS THE HIGHEST MARKET POTENTIAL AND, WITH ITS HIGH PURCHASING POWER, EXTRA ATTENTION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO IT, ACCORDING TO CHALOR.

THE DEPARTMENT WAS PLANNING A SERIES OF PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES IN JAPAN BEGINNING NEXT MONTH UNTIL MAY 1991, THE REPORT SAID.

THE GOVERNMENT WOULD OPEN ANOTHER COMMERCIAL CENTER NEXT MONTH IN JAPAN IN FUKUOKA TO BOOST BILATERAL TRADE AND INVESTMENT, IN ADDITION TO THE FIRST COMMERCIAL CENTER IN OSAKA AND AN OFFICE OF THE THAI COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR IN TOKYO.

JAPAN IS THAILAND'S SECOND LARGEST MARKET AFTER THE UNITED STATES, WITH THE PURCHASES IN 1989 TOTALLING 98,615 MILLION BAHT (ABOUT 3,944.6 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) OR UP 38 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

THIS REPRESENTED NEARLY 20 PERCENT OF THE OVERALL EXPORTS IN 1989 OF 510,000 MILLION BAHT (ABOUT 20,400 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) OF THAILAND.

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#90248h0059 09/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 5) XINHUA - CHINA PLANS TO COOPERATE WITH FOREIGN AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURERS IN THE PRODUCTION OF 150-SEAT TRUNK AIRLINERS FOR DOMESTIC AIR ROUTES, THE MINISTRY OF AEROSPACE INDUSTRY ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY.

YU XIE, DIRECTOR OF THE MINISTRY'S FOREIGN COOPERATION BUREAU, SAID THAT

NEGOTIATIONS ARE UNDERWAY WITH THE BOEING COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT COMPANY AND THE MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORPORATION OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE AIRBUS INDUSTRIE CO. OF FRANCE.

CHINA IS ALSO EXPANDING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF FEEDER AIRPLANES, HELICOPTERS AND AVIATION ENGINES.

ACCORDING TO YU, CHINA IS CURRENTLY COOPERATING WITH THE MBB COMPANY OF FEDERAL GERMANY TO CO-MANUFACTURE MPC-75, A FEEDER PLANE.

HE SAID THAT CHINA AND SINGAPORE ARE JOINTLY DEVELOPING A TWO-TON HELICOPTER THAT IS EXPECTED TO BE READY IN TWO YEARS.

IN AN OVERVIEW OF SINO-FOREIGN COOPERATIVE VENTURES, YU SAID THAT AN EXISTING PROJECT BETWEEN THE MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORPORATION AND THE SHANGHAI AVIATION INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION OF CHINA, IS PROCEEDING SMOOTHLY. FIFTEEN MD-82S HAVE BEEN TURNED OUT AND SOLD TO CAAC.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH A CONTRACT SIGNED BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES IN 1987, THE PROJECT WILL ASSEMBLE 25 MD-82S IN SHANGHAI BEFORE THE END OF 1991.

SINCE 1980, CHINA HAS SUCCESSFULLY MANUFACTURED 43 DOLPHIN HELICOPTERS WITH IMPORTED FRENCH TECHNOLOGY, YU SAID.

THE CHINESE AVIATION AND AERONAUTICAL INDUSTRY CURRENTLY HAS TRADE AND COOPERATIVE RELATIONS WITH COUNTERPARTS IN MORE THAN 50 COUNTRIES AND REGIONS.

YU SAID THAT CHINA WELCOMES FOREIGN COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF AIRCRAFT BUILDING AND HOPES TO EXPAND THAT SCOPE IN THE YEARS TO COME.

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#90248h0060 09/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) XINHUA - U.S. NASA SCIENTISTS ARE DEVELOPING A TELEROBOTIC SYSTEM TO AUTOMATE ASSEMBLY OF LARGE AND COMPLEX SPACE STRUCTURES, INCLUDING SATELLITES, POLAR PLATFORMS AND ANTENNAS.

THE NEW SYSTEM WILL FREE FUTURE ASTRONAUTS FROM LENGTHY AND REPETITIOUS ASSEMBLY WORK, ACCORDING TO THE AVIATION WEEK AND SPACE TECHNOLOGY MAGAZINE.

THE TELEROBOTIC SYSTEM PROTOTYPE DEVELOPED BY LANGLEY IS DESIGNED STRICTLY "TO EVALUATE IN-SPACE ASSEMBLY CONCEPTS" AND IS "NOT INTENDED FOR SPACE QUALIFICATION," SAID MARVIN D. RHODES, PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR.

THE HARDWARE CONSISTS OF A COMMERCIALLY AVAILABLE ROBOT ARM MOUNTED ON A PLANE-MOTION PLATFORM AND A SEPARATE, ROTATING MOTION BASE. THE ROBOT ARM

CAN MOVE IN TWO DIRECTIONS ON A HORIZONTAL PLANE WITH COMPUTERS TO CONTROL COMMAND AND MONITOR THE ACTION.

INITIAL OPERATIONS HAVE CENTERED ON ASSEMBLING A GENERIC TETRAHEDRAL TRUSS PATTERNED AFTER ACTUAL ORBITAL PLATFORM DESIGNS UNDER STUDY BY NASA.

ALL TRUSS MEMBERS ARE 2 METERS IN LENGTH AND 2.6 CM IN DIAMETER. A PALLET TRAY PLACED BEHIND THE ROBOT HOLDS UP TO 13 GRAPHITE-EPOXY STRUTS, WHICH HAVE PRE-ATTACHED ALUMINUM NODES TO LOCK THEM TOGETHER.

LANGLEY ENGINEERS HAVE DESIGNED AN END EFFECTOR TO ASSEMBLE THE TRUSS. ATTACHED BY A TOOLING PLATE TO THE WRIST AXIS OF ROBOT ARM, THE END EFFECTOR SELECTS ONE STRUT AT A TIME FROM THE PALLET TRAY, HOLDS IT WHILE THE ARM POSITIONS IT IN THE TRUSS STRUCTURE, COMPLETES THE NODE JOINT AND DRIVES A LOCKNUT TO SECURE THE STURT.

SOLENOID-CONTROLLED GRIPPERS ON THE UNIT GRASP EACH STRUT. THE END EFFECTOR IS DESIGNED TO PERMIT OPERATION EITHER WITH A NODE PRE-ATTACHED TO THE STRUT, OR TO INSERT A STRUT INTO PRE-ASSEMBLED NODES ON A STRUT.

A SYSTEM OF 12 MICROSWITCHES MONITORS THE DEVICE'S OPERATION, AND TWO SMALL VIDEO CAMERAS MOUNTED ON THE END EFFECTOR PERMIT THE SYSTEM OPERATOR TO VIEW THE OPERATION.

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#90248h0078 09/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LUSAKA (SEPT. 5) XINHUA - ZAMBIA HAS ESTABLISHED DIP- LOMATIC RELATIONS WITH SOUTH KOREA, A SPOKESMAN OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SAID HERE YESTERDAY.

THE "TIMES OF ZAMBIA" TODAY QUOTED THE SPOKESMAN AS SAYING THAT WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS WITH SOUTH KOREA, ZAMBIA HAS DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH BOTH SOUTH AND NORTH KOREAS.

ZAMBIA WILL CONTINUE ITS SUPPORT FOR THE EFFORTS TO REUNITE THE TWO KOREAS THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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#90248h0150 09/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 5) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINES HAS HIRED A BRITISH FIRM TO MAKE A SURVEY ON THE POTENTIAL OF THE SUBIC NAVAL BASE IN THE PHILIPPINES AS AN INTERNATIONAL SHIP REPAIR FACILITY, IT WAS LEARNED HERE TODAY.

INFORMED SOURCES SAID THAT SWAN HUNTER, A BRITISH FIRM THAT HELPED CONVERT THE BRITISH BASES IN SINGAPORE AND MALTA INTO A COMMERCIAL MERCHANT SHIPPING BASES, WAS HIRED FOR THE SEVEN-DAY SURVEY OF SUBIC NAVAL BASE,

THE LARGEST U.S. MILITARY BASE OVERSEAS.

IN A LETTER TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LEGISLATIVE-EXECUTIVE BASES COUNCIL (LEBC) OF THE PHILIPPINES, JOSE V. ABUEVA, LAST MONTH, SWAN HUNTER SALES AND MARKETING MANAGER T. J. BEARDER SAID THAT HE WAS SENDING A THREE-MAN EVALUATION TEAM TO "DETERMINE VIABLE ALTERNATIVES FOR THE MILITARY BASELANDS, PAYING PARTICULAR REGARD TO THE POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT OF A SHIPREPAIR/SHIPBUILDING FACILITY AND CONSTRUCTION OF A CONTAINER TRANS-SHIPMENT PORT."

ACCORDING TO THE LETTER, THE TEAM WAS SUPPOSED TO BE IN SUBIC TODAY AND TO STAY UP TO FRIDAY. IT WILL SUBMIT ITS REPORT ON SEPTEMBER 12.

A LEBC MEMBER SAID THAT THEY HAD TO HIRE THE TEAM BECAUSE THEY DID NOT HAVE ENOUGH EXPERTISE ABOUT INTERNATIONAL MARKETING.

ACCORDING TO LEBC CHAIRMAN ABUEVA, THE FINAL BASE CONVERSION PLAN WILL BE SUBMITTED TO PRESIDENT AQUINO ON OCTOBER 4, MORE THAN TWO WEEKS LATE THAN ITS TARGET DEADLINE OF SEPTEMBER 16, DUE TO THE INACCURATE DATA USED IN AN EARLIER PLAN.

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Larry King Live (CNN) September 4, 1990 (Transcript #122)

Robert McNamara: A Warning to President Bush / D j Vu to Vietnam?: Former Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara discusses President Bush's decisions during the Persian Gulf crisis and gives his views on the new era in U.S.-Soviet relations. Whether or not the U.S. is being drawn into another Vietnam in the Persian Gulf is debated by former Vietnam protester Daniel Ellsberg and defense policy analyst David Silverstein.

Nightline (ABC) September 4, 1990 (Transcript #2422)

Paying for the Persian Gulf Military Build-Up: House Majority Leader Richard Gephardt, Mario Dederichs of Stern Magazine, and Japanese Foreign Ministry Spokesman Taizo Watanabe discuss what financial and other aid

Japan and West Germany can provide in the Persian Gulf crisis. Japan has promised $1 billion in aid, plus money to the countries most affected by the U.N. economic embargo, such as Jordan and Egypt, and has also begun helping the thousands of refugees from Iraq and Kuwait who are stranded in miserable conditions in Jordan, but other aid is coming at a trickle.

Crossfire (CNN) September 4, 1990 (Transcript #132)

The Stalemate in the Sand: Republican Congressman Henry Hyde and Democratic Congressman Robert Torricelli, both of the Foreign Affairs Committee, discuss Congress's point of view on the Persian Gulf crisis.

Moneyline (CNN) September 4, 1990 (Transcript #176)

U.S. forces seize an Iraqi ship which was trying to break trade sanctions; the White House will ask Congress to forgive Egypt's $7 billion in military debt, a thank-you for support against Iraq; Administration officials began a globe-trotting tour to raise money for military operations in the Middle East; prospects of tight crude supply drove oil prices higher; nations rally to increase oil production; IBM's new mainframe, the ''Summit''; Bank of New England ready to sell off more assets to raise cash; utilities across the country are making a switch from burning oil to burning natural gas; the U.S. is preparing a possible package of farm credits to the Soviet Union; Prymark International is seeking approval to buy $15 million worth of one of the nation's biggest paper companies, Champion International; in Japan, the recently re-christened Tomato Bank has since quadrupled its number of accounts and increased its deposits by 32 percent.

Good Morning America (ABC) September 4, 1990 (Transcript #1102)

U.S. military status in the Gulf; Kuwaiti resistance; Learning in America preview; Delta Force II and Men at Work reviews; teen alcoholism; canine teacher's aide; secret settlements; injuries in kids' sports; air-drying plants; Anthony LaPaglia/Jennifer Grey interview. Nova (WGBH) September 4 1990 (Transcript #1706)

The Genius That Was China (Part 1): The Rise of the Dragon: A look at China between the years 1000 and 1400, when Chinese inventors and scientists ruled the world with such devices as paper, ink, printing, books, the compass and gunpowder.

Adam Smith's Money World September 4, 1990 (Transcript #632)

Inventors and Their Million Dollar Mousetraps: Inventors and their inventions are giant figures in American history. But what about now? Who are the great inventors of today? And can making a new product still make you an old-fashioned fortune?

Inside Corporate America (FNN) September 4, 1990 (Transcript #61)

Hershey Foods Corporation: Chief Executive Officer Richard A. Zimmerman discusses his plans for Hershey Foods Corporation, which produces a broad line of chocolate confectionery and pasta products.

Donahue September 4, 1990 (Transcript #3026)

What Really Happened to Tawana Brawley?: Partisans and reporters on both sides of the Tawana Brawley case argue the evidence corroborating and undermining her bizarre story of assault, the media's role in the controversy, and the extent to which racist attitudes have affected its perception.

Oprah Winfrey Show September 4, 1990 (Transcript #1037)

Wife Jealous of Daughter: Wives who are jealous of the relationship between their husbands and their daughters explain their feelings. Family expert Bonnie Eaker-Weil advises parents on how to exercise restraint when jealousy hits the family.

Geraldo September 4, 1990 (Transcript #774) 24 Hours on Death Row (Repeat-#623): After spending 24 hours on death row, Geraldo tells what it was like being with the inmates. Prison officials speak on how they feel about death row and capital punishment.

Sally Jessy Raphael September 4, 1990 (Transcript #522)

Children of Rape (Repeat-#437): Three women who became pregnant as a result of rape talk about why they decided to have their children. They harbor no resentment toward their children and feel something wonderful has come from a violent crime. The daughters who were born as a result of rape share their feelings about the father they never met.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) September 4, 1990 (Transcript #162)

Subway Crime: Eight teenagers are accused of stabbing a young tourist to death in a subway station in order to get money to go out dancing. There are reports that they belong to a bizarre gang whose initiation requirement is to rob someone.

Wednesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report)
Donahue: Sex Channel Shuts Down Sally Jessy Raphael: Feuding Sisters (R)
Geraldo: Cover Girls (R) Oprah Winfrey: Childhood Wounds Seminar

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#90248k0021 09/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 5) KYODO - THE DATA BASE BUSINESS IN JAPAN GREW BRISKLY IN 1989, WITH THE NUMBER OF DATA BASES AVAILABLE INCREASING 8.4 PERCENT YEAR-ON-YEAR TO 2,128, THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) REPORTED WEDNESDAY.

THE COMPANIES THAT PROVIDED DATA BASE SERVICES GREW 8.8 PERCENT IN 1989 TO 211, THE MITI SAID.

OUT OF THE 2,128 DATA BASES NOW AVAILABLE IN JAPAN, 662 OR 31.1 PERCENT WERE COMPILED IN JAPAN.

ABOUT 95 PERCENT OF THE OVERSEAS DATA BASES WERE THOSE MADE IN THE UNITED STATES, ACCORDING TO MITI OFFICIALS.

THE LARGEST CATEGORY, AT 41.4 PERCENT, WAS TO PROVIDE BUSINESS INFORMATION ON THE ECONOMY, CORPORATE MANAGEMENT, AND FINANCIAL AND COMMODITY MARKETS.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WAS THE SECOND LARGEST, ACCOUNTING FOR 29.6 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL.

BUT THE GENERAL FIELD DATA BASES POSTED THE LARGEST GROWTH, INCREASING 26.3 PERCENT TO 529, MITI SAID.

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#90248k0034 09/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KAGOSHIMA (SEPT. 5) KYODO - MINAMI-KYUSHU CHIKUSAN KOGYO CO., A LOCAL BEEF PRODUCER AND DISTRIBUTOR, SAID WEDNESDAY IT HAS BEGUN SHIPMENTS OF JAPANESE BEEF TO THE UNITED STATES.

COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID IT HAS SHIPPED ABOUT 100 KILOGRAMS OF PRIME KAGOSHIMA BEEF, PRICED AT 15,000 YEN A KILOGRAM, TO BE SOLD TO JAPANESE AND HIGH-CLASS RESTAURANTS THERE.

THE OFFICIALS ADDED THAT THE KAGOSHIMA-BASED LIVESTOCK COMPANY WILL

SPONSOR AN EIGHT-DAY JAPANESE BEEF PRESENTATION FROM SEPTEMBER 15 AT A CHICAGO SHOPPING CENTER.

THE PRESENTATION WILL INCLUDE REFRESHMENTS, MINISTEAKS, AND SHABU SHABU, A JAPANESE DELICACY OF THIN SLICES OF BEEF BOILED IN HOT WATER AND DIPPED INTO A FINE SAUCE, TO INTRODUCE AMERICANS TO THE TASTE OF JAPANESE BEEF.

THE COMPANY HAD OBTAINED APPROVAL FROM U.S. AUTHORITIES, BEFORE JAPAN'S ACTION TO LIBERALIZE ITS OWN BEEF MARKET, THEY SAID.

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#90248k0070 09/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 5) KYODO - HONDA MOTOR CO. SAID WEDNESDAY IT HAS INCREASED ITS EQUITY STAKE IN TWO JOINT VENTURE AUTO FIRMS IN PAKISTAN TO KEEP PACE WITH THE STRONG DEMAND FOR MOTORCYCLES.

A COMPANY OFFICIAL SAID HONDA INCREASED ITS STAKE IN ATLAS AUTOS LTD. IN KARACHI AND PANJDARYA LTD. IN LAHORE TO STRENGTHEN ITS TECHNOLOGY TIES BEFORE BOTH COMPANIES MERGE IN 1992. BOTH COMPANIES MANUFACTURE MOTORCYCLES.

HONDA INCREASED ITS EQUITY STAKE IN ATLAS AUTOS TO 17 PERCENT, WHILE RAISING INVESTMENT IN PANJDARYA TO 32 PERCENT, THE OFFICIAL SAID. AFTER THE MERGER, HONDA WILL HOLD A 20 PERCENT SHARE OF THE UNIFIED COMPANY, HE ADDED.

IN 1989, BOTH FIRMS PRODUCED A TOTAL OF 42,000 VEHICLES IN THE PAKISTANI MARKET WHERE DEMAND EXPANDED TO ABOUT 76,000 VEHICLES, THE OFFICIAL SAID.

DEMAND FOR MOTORCYCLES IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE TO 100,000 VEHICLES IN 1990 THE OFFICIAL SAID.

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#90248k0085 09/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 5) KYODO - SUMITOMO METAL MINING CO. SAID WEDNESDAY IT HAS DISCOVERED A GOLD VEIN WITH ESTIMATED DEPOSITS OF ABOUT 50 TONS AT HISHIKARI MINE IN ISA COUNTY, KAGOSHIMA PREFECTURE.

THE NEW VEIN, NAMED SANJIN DEPOSIT, HAS BEEN FOUND 300-500 METERS SOUTHEAST OF THE MAIN DEPOSIT IN HISHIKARI MINE, THE LARGEST GOLD MINE IN JAPAN.

THE VEIN, WHICH STRETCHES 750 METERS EAST AND WEST AND 300 METERS NORTH AND SOUTH AND HAS A DEPTH OF 140 METERS, HAS THE CAPACITY TO PRODUCE 70 GRAMS OF GOLD PER TON OF GOLD ORE, THE HIGHEST LEVEL IN THE WORLD, SUMITOMO OFFICIALS SAID.

SUMITOMO WILL INVEST A TOTAL OF 1 BILLION YEN IN THE VEIN TO BEGIN PRODUCTION IN THE FIRST HALF OF 1992.

THE COMPANY PLANS TO BOOST AN ANNUAL GOLD INGOT PRODUCTION AT HISHIKARI MINE TO ABOUT 7 TONS FROM THE CURRENT 5 TONS. IT WILL ALSO CONTINUE EXPLORATION AROUND THE VEIN.

THE DISCOVERY INCREASES THE GOLD DEPOSITS OF HISHIKARI MINE TO 250 TONS, AGAINST AN ORIGINALLY ESTIMATED 150 TONS, RANKING THE MINE FAR AHEAD OF OTHERS IN JAPAN, SUCH AS THE ALREADY CLOSED SADO MINE ON SADO ISLAND OFF NIGATA WITH DEPOSITS ESTIMATED AT 76 TONS.

MEANWHILE, THE TOKYO STOCK EXCHANGE HAS BEGUN AN INVESTIGATION INTO POSSIBLE INSIDER TRADING IN CONNECTION WITH THE NEWS.

THE EXCHANGE SUSPENDED TRADING IN SUMITOMO STOCK IN THE AFTERNOON, AFTER THE STOCK SURGED 60 YEN BEFORE THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DISCOVERY OF THE VEIN. OTHER STOCKS OF THE NIKKEI 225 WERE GENERALLY WEAKER IN WEDNESDAY DEALINGS, WITH THE MARKET BAROMETER HITTING THE LOWEST LEVEL OF THE YEAR AT ONE STAGE.

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#90248k0087 09/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 5) KYODO - IN ADVANCE OF THE MARKET INTEGRATION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC), MARUBENI CORP. WILL ESTABLISH A SUBSIDIARY IN DUSSELDORF, WEST GERMANY, IN OCTOBER TO DISTRIBUTE CHIP MANUFACTURING MACHINES.

THE NEW COMPANY, MARUBENI INTERNATIONAL ELECTRONICS EUROPE, IS DESIGNED TO DEAL WITH JAPANESE MANUFACTURERS WHICH ARE RUSHING IN LARGE NUMBERS TO SECURE BASES IN WEST EUROPE BEFORE THE EC INCREASES TARIFF DUTIES ON IMPORTED CHIP PRODUCTS BEGINNING IN 1992.

ANNUAL SALES ARE TARGETED AT 20 MILLION GERMAN MARKS IN THE FIRST YEAR. CAPITALIZED AT 1 MILLION MARKS, THE COMPANY PLANS TO OPEN OFFICES IN MUNICH IN WEST GERMANY IN GLASGOW, BRITAIN, AND GRENOBLE IN FRANCE, AND WILL ADVANCE INTO THE EAST EUROPEAN MARKET IF THE WESTERN TRADE WATCHDOG COCOM EASES ITS RULES ON EXPORTS TO EAST BLOC NATIONS.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 5) KYODO - UBE INDUSTRIES LTD. SAID WEDNESDAY IT HAS INCORPORATED A WHOLLY OWNED FINANCING SUBSIDIARY IN NEW YORK TO ENGAGE IN FUND RAISING OPERATIONS FOR ASSOCIATED FIRMS OPERATING IN THE UNITED STATES.

THE COMPANY SAID THE NEW FIRM, UBE INTERNATIONAL (U.S.A.) INC. CAPITALIZED AT ABOUT 750 MILLION YEN, WILL BORROW ABOUT 8 BILLION YEN FROM BANKS TO SUPPORT AFFILIATES, INCLUDING A-MOLD CORP. OF OHIO WHICH MANUFACTURES AND SELLS ALUMINUM WHEELS FOR AUTOMOBILES.

THE COMPANY SAID IT PLANS TO ESTABLISH A SIMILAR SUBSIDIARY IN THE NETHERLANDS, KNOWN AS UBE INTERNATIONAL, (NETHERLANDS) B.V., LATER THIS MONTH TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR ITS SUBSIDIARIES IN EUROPE AND ASIA.

THE NEW FIRMS WILL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TAX INCENTIVES OFFERED THEM AND INTEGRATE FUND RAISING OPERATIONS OVERSEAS, THE COMPANY SAID.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 5) KYODO - KDD (KOKUSAI DENSHIN DENWA) SAID WEDNESDAY IT WILL START AN INTERNATIONAL VIDEO CONFERENCE SERVICE WITH MERCURY COMMUNICATIONS LTD. OF BRITAIN FROM THURSDAY.

JAPAN'S INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS GIANT SAID THE NEW SERVICE WOULD BRING THE CONVENIENCE OF AUDIO-VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS TO CUSTOMERS IN BOTH COUNTRIES.

KDD ALREADY HAS SUCH A SERVICE BETWEEN JAPAN AND BRITAIN IN COOPERATION WITH BRITISH TELECOM.

JAPANESE PARTICIPANTS WILL PAY 154,000 YEN PER HOUR PLUS A 40,000 YEN CONFERENCE ROOM CHARGE IF KDD'S OWN VIDEO CONFERENCE ROOM IS USED.

THE CHARGES ON THE BRITISH SIDE ARE SIMILAR, THE COMPANY SAID.

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#90248k0101 09/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 5) KYODO - JAPAN BROADCASTING CORP. (NHK) SAID WEDNESDAY IT WILL BEGIN BROADCASTING AN ENGLISH LANGUAGE TELEVISION ECONOMIC NEWS PROGRAM IN THE U.S. AND EUROPE ON OCTOBER 8.

THE PROGRAM, JAPAN BUSINESS TODAY, WILL BE SHOWN BETWEEN 5:30 AND 6:00 A.M. (EASTERN STANDARD TIME) FROM MONDAY TO FRIDAY IN THE U.S. VIA FNN, THE LARGEST ECONOMIC NEWS-ONLY CABLE NETWORK IN THE COUNTRY.

IN EUROPE, THE PROGRAM WILL BE AIRED ON SUPER CHANNEL, A LONDON-BASED CABLE TELEVISION CHANNEL.

JAPANESE AUDIENCES CAN VIEW THE PROGRAM FROM 8:30 WEEKDAY EVENINGS ON NHK'S SATELLITE CHANNEL NO.1.

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#90248k0112 09/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 5) KYODO - THE PHILIPPINES MAY LOSE UP TO 70 PERCENT OF ITS ARABLE LAND IF DEFORESTATION IS UNCHECKED, ACCORDING TO A PAPER PRESENTED TO AN INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONFERENCE HERE WEDNESDAY.

A FILIPINO EXPERT SAID TROPICAL RAIN FORESTS IN HIS COUNTRY HAVE DECLINED FROM 54 PERCENT OF THE LAND IN THE PAST TO 25 PERCENT IN 1988.

AS A RESULT, THE PHILIPPINES MAY LOSE UP TO 70 PERCENT OF ITS TOP SOIL BECAUSE OF MASSIVE EROSION, ESTIMATED AT 1 BILLION CUBIC METERS A YEAR, HE SAID.

SOME 20 JAPANESE ENVIRONMENTAL EXPERTS AND 12 DELEGATES FROM ASEAN MEMBER NATIONS ARE ATTENDING THE TWO-DAY MEETING, WHICH OPENED WEDNESDAY, TO DISCUSS MEASURES TO HELP THE REGIONAL GROUP TO COPE WITH ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES.

TWO DELEGATES FROM EACH OF THE SIX ASEAN MEMBER COUNTRIES -- THAILAND, MALAYSIA, INDONESIA, SINGAPORE, BRUNEI, AND THE PHILIPPINES -- ATTENDED THE MEETING.

A THAI EXPERT SAID 50 PERCENT OF THE MANGROVES IN THAT COUNTRY HAVE DISAPPEARED DURING THE PAST 28 YEARS BECAUSE THE TREES HAVE BEEN CUT TO BUILD FACTORIES AND SHRIMP FARMS.

THE TREES, WHICH GROW AROUND ESTUARIES IN TROPICAL AND SUBTROPICAL REGIONS HAVE LONG BEEN USED FOR WINDBREAK FORESTS, NATURAL DYES, AND BUILDING MATERIALS.

THE MEETING WILL DISCUSS TRANSFERS OF JAPAN'S TECHNOLOGY AND KNOW-HOW AIMED AT COMBATING ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS SUCH AS DESTRUCTION OF TROPICAL FORESTS, AND WATER AND AIR POLLUTION.

THE ASEAN MEMBERS, FACED WITH TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL CONSTRAINTS IN FIGHTING THE DEPLETION OF TROPICAL FORESTS AND WILDLIFE POPULATION, IN ADDITION TO WATER AND AIR POLLUTION, ARE SEEKING COOPERATION FROM JAPAN AND OTHER DEVELOPED COUNTRIES.

THE CONFERENCE IS INTENDED TO STUDY EFFECTIVE WAYS OF TRANSFERRING TECHNOLOGY AND KNOW-HOW TO HELP THE ASEAN GROUP COMBAT ENVIRONMENTAL DISRUPTION, CONFERENCE SOURCES SAID.

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#90248m0002 09/05/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 5) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

JOHN ELLIOTT, a BANK OF AMERICA vice president in Los Angeles, says the North American market had no intention of pushing the dollar significantly higher yesterday, but was poised to send it lower if U.S. stock prices matched losses of other markets around the world. However, the Dow ended off less than a point. (WSJ, 9/5)

The dollar showed some strength yesterday, but analysts are highly skeptical about the greenback. "We're trying to decide whether it's a reversal of direction or what," says ROBERT RYAN of BANK OF NEW YORK CO. "We just don't know." ("Investor's Daily", 9/5)

"The fact that we are seeing some trading range for the dollar enhances the possibility of a rate cut" by the Fed, says LOUIS vB. CRANDALL, economist at R.J. WRIGHTSON & ASSOCIATES. "The Fed would prefer not to disrupt the foreign exchange market." (WSJ, 9/5)

"I think in essence there is something of a tug of war going on" within the Federal Reserve, says Fed watcher DAVID JONES, chief economist at AUBREY G. LANSTON. "The tough-minded and hawkish bank presidents still say we fight inflation at all costs even at the risk of recession. The board, including Chairman Greenspan, I think leans a little more in the direction of thinking the economy truly is weakening." Mr. Jones concludes that the Fed will ease, but not right away. (CNBC "Business View", 9/4)

"The [bond] market is two different worlds right now," says DONALD ALLISON managing director at CARROLL McENTEE & McGINLEY INC. "Short-term securities are trading off weakness in the domestic economy and the hope the Federal Reserve will ease. Long-term securities are being battered by the oil market and pessimism about a meaningful budget compromise." He says the dollar's recent weakness has also contributed to declines in the bond market because it has kept foreign investors' money home or in other markets. (WSJ, 9/5)

"I think people are really looking for a safe place to put their money and are really coming up with short-term securities," says WILLIAM BYERS, investment strategist at BEAR, STEARNS. "You can get better than eight percent going out no longer than two years. So what's the point. Why be a hero?" (CNBC "Business View", 9/4)

"We think the short end will remain firm and that bond yields will deteriorate further for the next couple of months," says ROGER 1 FROELICH

president of TECHNICAL DIMENSIONS, a bond research and advisory firm. "Bond yields have the potential to get back to 9 3/8 percent in that time frame." (NYT, 9/5)

THE ECONOMY:

"Mostly the American economy is moving sideways, neither expanding nor contracting," says EDWARD YARDENI, chief economist at PRUDENTIAL- BACHE SECURITIES. "What is keeping a lot of industries going are exports." (NYT, 9/5)

We're "clearly on the verge of recession," says BRIAN FABBRI, chief economist at MIDLAND MONTAGU. "Very specifically several sectors of

the economy are probably already described as being in a recession." (CNBC "Business View", 9/4)

"I think that without this oil crisis we would probably have just seen sluggish growth with more rotating recessions industry by industry, state by state. Now it looks more serious," says ROBERT STOVALL of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/4)

"Even before the Iraqi situation, the U.S. economy was facing an entrenched, underlying labor cost inflation of between 4% and 5%. That doesn't allow for any profits," says ALLEN SINAI, chief economist at BOSTON CO. He says this is one indication of "anemic doing in light of ... an anticipated recession is to cut back on jobs and hours worked." ("Investor's Daily", 9/5)

The Purchasing Managers' Index fell to 47% in August and is a sign of further weakening in the economy. "The manufacturing sector and the overall economy are very weak; there is no question about that," says ROBERT BRETZ, chairman of the survey committee for the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PURCHASING MANAGERS. "But the index is consistent with real economic growth of 1.3 percent for 1990." (NYT, 9/5)

The purchasing managers' survey "only told us what we knew all along - the economy is dead in the water," says SAMUEL KAHAN, chief financial economist at FUJI SECURITIES INC. in Chicago. He adds that at this juncture, the Fed "should be more concerned with forestalling a recession" than with worrying about the potential inflationary effect of higher oil prices. "That is so because once we go into a recession, the political pressure to stimulate the economy will intensify, and that may induce even greater inflation fears." (NYT, 9/5)

IN WASHINGTON:

"I'm afraid Congress is going [to use Saddam Hussein] to try to leap off

the hook" on the Federal Budget, says ALAN STOGA of KISSINGER ASSOCIATES. "This is going to be the Saddam Hussein Memorial Budget Deficit before very much longer if not the Saddam Hussein Memorial Recession. Both of those are mistakes. It is not his recession and we should not use him as an excuse not to address our budget problems, but I'm afraid we'll be inclined to do so." Stoga believes that Congress and the President must approach the budget deficit with a two or three year deficit cutting package to offset problems created by the Mideast Crisis. He also believes that Gramm-Rudman will be "out the window" because Congress will be able to use the Mideast crisis to get rid of this "bad piece of legislation." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/4)

SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER framed the Iraqi threat in economic terms yesterday in testimony before the House Foreign Affairs Committee, saying the threat was more than just the risk of 2 "increases in the price of a gallon of gas at your local service station." Baker claimed that the impact could reach much further. The crisis "is about a dictator who acting alone and unchallenged could strangle the global economic order, determining by fiat whether we all enter a recession, or even the darkness of a depression," said Baker. ("Investor's Daily", 9/5)

As budget negotiations resume, the Administration is still aiming for $50 billion in reductions, but Presidential spokesperson MARLIN FITZWATER says a lower target would be acceptable. "We're willing to talk about it and that's what we're going to the table to do," says Fitzwater. "We still believe that deficit reduction is important, that it's crucial to maintaining economic growth," maintains Fitzwater. ("Investor's Daily", 9/5)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 5) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT says construction spending remained weak in July, rising 0.4% from June, and that non-farm productivity grew at a weak 1.5% annual rate in the second-quarter. The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PURCHASING MANAGEMENT says its business index slipped to 47% in August, down from 47.4% in July. ... INTELSAT is suing MARTIN MARIETTA for $400 million, claiming the rocket builder miswired a rocket that launched a satellite into a useless orbit. ... FUJITSU unveiled a new generation of mainframes that could prove more powerful than a line IBM is expected to announce today.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

TIMOTHY RYAN, director of the OFFICE OF THRIFT SUPERVISION, willdiscuss the status of the INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS at 9:15 a.m. EDT. ... SECRETARY OF ENERGY JOHN EASTON will be one of the witnesses before the HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE on the long-term impacts of the Gulf Crisis, starting at 10 a.m. EDT. ... DAN DORFMAN of "USA Today" reports that PRIMARK has filed for clearance to buy more than $15 million of CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL stock.

FROM THE BULLS:

"The low volume is very bullish to me," says CARLTON LUTTS, editor of the CABOT MARKET LETTER. "The market gives me the impression of being sold out." He says many investors are selling to protect themselves from any possible bad news from Iraq, but that such news has been absent. "The Dow could work higher from here perhaps to 3000 by year-end with some good news," predicts Lutts. ("Investor's Daily", 9/5)

"Sentiment is all lined up perfectly for a very solid move - there's a very high level of bearish sentiment," says ANDREW ADDISON of the "Addison Report." He says there are highly unusual but bullish "island reversal" chart formations in place in the Dow, S&P and many individual stocks. "I think we could be grinding our way up toward the 200 day moving average up at 2750 in the next couple of weeks," says Addison. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/5)

FROM THE BEARS:

"We are in a global bear market (far more serious than any seen since 1973)," writes STAN WEINSTEIN in the "Professional Tape Reader" dated August 24. STEVEN GOLDSTEIN of the "Tradecenter Market Letter" on August 27 agrees and says "The bear market is merely taking a breather." Goldstein says the prudent money will sell strength. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/4)

STOCK MARKET:

"This is not a bear market," proclaims FRED GORDON of the "Plain Talk Investor" on August 29. "Don't believe everything you read in the funny papers." He adds that one should follow the lesson learned from the post-'87 crash. You should be "checking your shopping list" instead of "calling Chicken Little's 900 number" to find out if indeed "the sky thing was really true." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/4)

Tuesday was the lowest volume trading day on the Big Board this year. "The fact that we had this kind of light volume with many people back from vacation was probably the most significant development" in the market

yesterday, says PETER CANELO, chief strategist at BEAR, STEARNS. "It reveals a real paralysis." He believes if the Mideast stalemate drags on for months and oil-price moves remain unpredictable, investors may remain paralyzed. "When investors know they don't know, investors tend not to act." (WSJ, 9/5)

"Everywhere we look, the technical indications are still negative," says CURTIS HESSLER of the "Professional Timing Service" who advises staying out of equities and in cash and cash equivalents. However, he says there are good reasons to expect a market low by mid- September to be followed by a trading rally. "The stage is being set for another move, possibly to new highs." (CNBC "World Business Update", 9/5)

"With the market this thin and with so little feature in it, most people are trying to figure out where this thing intends to bottom," says TIM HELLMAN at DREYFUS CORP. MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER & CO. says, "I think the lows of the week were probably seen early today [Tuesday]." ("The Washington Post", 9/5)

"It's really hard to come up with a strong case for equities at this point " says JOHN CONLON JR., a managing director at ROTHSCHILD INC. He says the low volume of trading activity is "indicative of an inordinate amount of indecision." (WSJ, 9/5)

Tokyo stocks continue to lose ground and a turnaround is unlikely, says KEN OBERMAN, manager of OPPENHEIMER's top performing "Global Fund." Oberman says rising Japanese interest rates have been competing with Japanese stocks, driving down high multiples. "The real question in Japan is what happens to real estate prices. As long as real estate prices stay up, the banks and insurance companies remain in reasonable condition." If real estate prices start to fall, Oberman says, "There is no real bottom in the Japanese market." Oberman believes 10,000 on the Nikkei would bring it into line with other markets on a price to cash flow basis. (CNN "Business Morning", 9/5)

STOCK TIPS:

JOHNSON & JOHNSON remains one of ANDREW ADDISON's favorite stocks for conservative investors. He likes the company's earnings growth and strong position overseas where the company should benefit from a lower dollar. The stock's relative strength is at an all time high, says Addison who sees upside potential into the 80 area. PROCTER & GAMBLE shares many of these same positive features, according to Addison. "I think its going to be one of the stocks to lead the Dow higher in the next couple of weeks," says Addison who also likes the fact that P&G management hold 12% of the company's shares. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/5)

DENNIS KELLY, vice president of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT, tells CNBC that

this is no time to be a hero in this market. He believes that we are in for a rolling recession, but he does see some good buys including WALGREEN HERSHEY, SCHERING-PLOUGH and MERCK. (CNBC "Business View", 9/4)

The market is full of excellent long term value, according to RAY HINES of the "Wall Street Generalist." DIAMOND SHAMROCK and VALERO ENERGY are two refining stocks he expects to benefit from the Mideast situation. Overall he expects stocks to recover from mid-September through November. "Pessimism has arrived at extremes that mark important bottom areas - the damage to stock prices should be pretty much over." (CNBC "World Business Update", 9/5)

"USA Today" says investors hoping that a continuing oil shock could give railroad stocks a lift had better switch their thinking. "Railroad stocks aren't pure energy plays [even if they have oil and gas reserves]," says analyst GEORGE MORRIS of PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. ("USA Today", 9/5)

LANDS' END INC. "is a very high-quality company," says PAUL SHAIN, a special situations analyst at ROBERT W. BAIRD & COMPANY in Milwaukee. "In the near term, it's going to be a difficult environment for them. But once they get moving again, I think they'll be all right. Lands' End merchandise has a place in many people's closets. I can't imagine that they won't get their customers back." (NYT, 9/5)

"CHRYSLER is staggering through the desert [and] the vultures are all hovering in the sky right now," says CHARLES BRADY of OPPENHEIMER & CO. "Either they're going to get out OK or they're going to get devoured by somebody." ("USA Today", 9/5)

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#90248p1232 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUGAR LAND, TX (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Henley International, Inc. announced today that its common shares will begin trading Sept. 7, 1990, on the American Stock Exchange. The company's trading symbol will be HEN.

"The American Stock Exchange will provide a more efficient and liquid trading market for Henley's stock," said Kenneth W. Davidson, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Henley. "We will also benefit from the increased visibility and broader investment community exposure associated with American Stock Exchange-listed companies."

Henley International, Inc. is a developer, manufacturer and distributor of physical therapy, pain management and disposable specialty hospital products. The company's initial public offering was effective on Feb. 2, 1990.

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713-240-2442, or Lynn Morgen or Jeremy Weithas, 212-986-5900, both of Morgen-Walke Associates, for Henley.

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#90248p1234 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANKENY, IOWA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Earnings of Casey's General Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: CASY) in the 1991 fiscal first quarter ended July 31 were nearly even with the quarter a year ago, while sales for the three-month period advanced to a record high.

In announcing the financial results, Donald F. Lamberti, company chairman and chief executive officer, said rising wholesale and retail gasoline prices resulting from the Persian Gulf crisis had no impact on the company's first quarter, since prices didn't start up sharply until early August.

Earnings of $2,431,562, or 21 cents a share, in the first quarter ended July 31 were about even with the $2,389,950, or 21 cents a share earned a year ago. Sales advanced 5.8 percent to a record $141.5 million, compared to $133.7 million in last year's first quarter.

In other business, the Casey's board of directors approved a plan to repurchase up to one million shares of outstanding stock in the open market or through negotiated purchases. The Casey's stock will be repurchased from time to time, depending upon market conditions. There currently are just over 11.4 million shares of Casey's stock outstanding. Money for the stock repurchase will come from working capital.

At a meeting Sept. 4, the board declared a quarterly dividend of 2.5 cents per share of common stock, payable Nov. l5 to shareholders of record Nov. 1. This is the second consecutive quarterly dividend declared by the convenience-store chain.

The board also deleted a shareholder referendum provision from the existing Shareholder Rights Plan. The Rights Plan previously had permitted shareholders to redeem the rights if certain conditions had been met. Under the amended Rights Plan, only the Casey's board of directors is authorized to redeem the rights. Details of the amended Rights Plan are contained in a letter that will be mailed to all Casey's shareholders.

As of July 31, Casey's operated 771 stores in its eight-state market area, including 567 corporate-owned stores and 204 franchise units. This is an increase of 31 stores since the end of the first quarter a year ago, when Casey's operated 525 corporate stores and 215 franchise outlets.

Casey's annual shareholders meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m., Friday, Sept. 21, at the corporate headquarters, One Convenience Blvd., Ankeny,

Iowa. Shareholders are scheduled to vote on the election of seven directors.

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#90248p1238 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - A dramatic new concept of industrial conveyors was introduced here today at the International Machine Tool Show in McCormick Place.

An all-new modular conveyor design that sharply reduces engineering and installation time and costs, allows rapid off-the shelf delivery, and facilitates reuse of standard components during line upgrades or other revisions, was exhibited by Simplimatic Engineering Company, of Lynchburg, Va. (Exhibit No. 3728). Simplimatic is part of CMB Packaging, the third largest packaging company in the world.

Called Simpli-Flex, the precision-engineered, highly flexible collection of conveyor components can be mixed and matched to handle diverse assignments.

The new system is available three different ways, according to Bernard J. Tipton, Simplimatic's vice president of engineering.

"In the first option, customers can order a complete system the same way they have in the past," he explained. "We will develop the line layout, do all the engineering, assembly and testing of the system in our factory, then install it. Normal turnaround for a customized system is four months or more.

"The second option is for the customer to give us a line layout and we will determine what conveyor components are needed to build the line. We will then ship the pieces to the customer, who will be responsible for the system assembly and installation. Typical delivery for this option is six to eight weeks.

"The third option is for a customer to order parts needed for a conveyor system directly from the catalog," Tipton said. "We anticipate that many engineering companies and some OEMs, such as robotics manufacturers, will take advantage of the cost savings available in this method. Because Simplimatic will stock partially assembled components, orders for modular conveyor components can be filled in three weeks or less.

"To help speed the engineering and quoting process, we have developed a special CAD (computer-aided-design) program," he reported. "All it needs are center lines and some basic information and it automatically draws the

conveyor system and identifies and prices all necessary components."

The Simpli-Flex conveyor will be built exclusively in the United States at Simplimatic's facility in Lynchburg, Va. An affiliate of the company, CMB Engineering Group, in the UK, will be licensed to manufacture the modular conveyors in Europe.

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#90248p1239 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Recently, the first shipment of The Old Detroit Brewing Company's Old Detroit Amber Ale arrived on shelves in Chicago.

Christopher Dean, president of The Old Detroit Brewing Company, said, "We felt this was the next logical step in our progressive distribution of Old Detroit throughout the Great Lakes states. Our move into the Chicago market was expedited by the Best of Show and Gold Award, Ale awards we received at the All-American Beer Tasting held in Chicago back in April."

"We believe that while Chicago is a very difficult market to penetrate, it is at the same time sophisticated and will be receptive to a specialty beer like Old Detroit. Our initial sales are most encouraging and indicate that Chicago's consumers appreciate Old Detroit's regional nature and unique packaging almost as much as Michiganders do," said Chris Watts, vice president of The Old Detroit Brewing Company.

Old Detroit Amber Ale placed first in the eighth annual Chicago Beer Society's All-American Beer Tasting April 4. Old Detroit Amber Ale received the highest rating of all beers participating in the event, which included both ales and lagers from many of America's leading small breweries.

The blind tasting was judged by 350 participants who chose Old Detroit Amber Ale as the favorite based solely on flavor. Participants did not know what beers they were tasting until the winners were announced.

The Old Detroit Brewing Company brews Old Detroit Amber Ale at Michigan's oldest brewing facility, the Frankenmuth Brewery Inc., in Frankenmuth, Mich. Old Detroit Amber Ale has been available in Michigan since January 1990 and is currently available throughout Michigan and in the Chicago and Toledo, Ohio areas.

The Chicago Beer Society was founded in 1977 as a non-profit educational association dedicated to the appreciation of beer. The society has

sponsored an international beer tasting since 1977 and in 1983, added the All-American tasting to address the rekindled interest in traditional American beers.

Old Detroit Amber Ale is distributed by Julienne Importing Company in Chicago, 312-274-9463.

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#90248p1240 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

COATESVILLE, PA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - W.R. Wilson, chairman and chief executive officer of Lukens Inc. (NYSE: LUC), today said the steel-based diversified industrial company "has a good opportunity for record results again in 1990."

Lukens Inc. last year reported its third consecutive year of record sales and earnings. Earnings in 1989 were $41.5 million, or $4.73 a share, on sales of $645 million.

Speaking to some 30 security analysts visiting the company's steel operations in Coatesville, Wilson said, "Current reports on business activity levels in our steel, corrosion protection and safety products operations make me optimistic that Lukens has a good opportunity for record results again in 1990."

Wilson said, "Fundamentals underlying Lukens performance have not deteriorated."

Lukens reported record sales and earnings for the first half of 1990. Sales were $349.5 million and earnings were $22.6 million, or $2.59 a share, compared to sales of $322.3 million and earnings of $16.1 million, or $1.88 a share, for the first half of 1989.

Wilson said that $1 billion in sales and $50 million in net earnings are two of the goals Lukens management has set for 199X, an unidentified year during the 1990s.

In the steel business, Wilson said the company intends to increase market share, pursue export opportunities for its specialty plate steels and continue to invest in plant, equipment and technology to drive production costs lower, raise productivity, improve quality and increase earnings. He said Lukens has plans that will enable the steel operations to produce more than 1 million tons of steel a year by 1995, using one electric furnace and the ladle refining system.

Wilson said new business acquisition is essential to the company's strategy for achieving the 1990s goals. He said, "We are interested in companies which serve industrial markets. The ideal candidate would be a company providing goods or services to the FORTUNE 1000 with the potential to generate $225 million in sales and operating margins of 11 percent of more."

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#90248p1243 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANTON, OHIO (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Timken Company (NYSE: TKR) announces the following: T.S. Dupaski, director-president of Timken do Brasil Limitada, announced today that Timken do Brasil will establish a new machining facility in Brazil. The facility will be located in Santa Barbara d'Oeste, which is a town of 140,000 people located 95 miles north of Sao Paulo. The project is part of the billion dollar capital investment program announced by the company last year and is expected to cost approximately $5 million.

Computer-controlled machining equipment manufactured in Brazil with the latest world-class technology will be used at the facility to turn forgings into bearing cups and cones.

The new facility will make Timken do Brasil more competitive in both local and international markets.

Stefanos Marcouizos, manager technology of Timken do Brasil, heads the project implementation team.

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POUGHKEEPSIE, NY (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The IBM Enterprise System/9000 (ES/9000) family of 18 processors announced today for System/390 range from intermediate computers for office environments to the most powerful mainframe systems the company has ever offered.

The new general-purpose processors offer highly attractive price/performance and internal performance growth of more than 100-fold from the entry model to the high-performance top of the line. ES/9000 has the industry's broadest single-family range of performance and upgrade options.

ES/9000 processors share advanced architectures, a compatible family of

enriched operating systems and many common functions designed to facilitate customer growth, applications portability, enterprise-wide computing, and unparalleled system-management capabilities.

Comprehensive business system solutions and enterprise-wide computing are at the focus of ES/9000's new technologies and products associated with System/390. Customers will be able to increase programmer and end-user productivity significantly, handle more data in less time, improve current applications, and facilitate development of new, high-potential applications for competitive advantage. Some of the features available on all ES/9000 processors are:

-- Enterprise Systems Connection (ESCON) Architecture implementing fiber optic channels, which provide significantly higher data rates than traditional parallel channels and which permit input/output equipment to be located at distances up to nine kilometers (5.6 miles) from the processor; -- Logical partitioning between two or more operating systems at the same time, thereby giving users the ability to run production, development, maintenance and test applications simultaneously; -- IBM's Enterprise Systems Architecture/390 -- the most advanced in the industry -- encompassing VSE/ESA, VM/ESA and MVS/ESA operating systems. The enriched operating systems are capable of running existing programs and applications based on System/370 architecture; -- New enhanced performance options for scientific and technical computing; -- A family-wide 31-bit addressing structure, extended to entry and intermediate ES/9000 processors, that significantly increases the virtual storage available for an application and its data, and -- The ability to couple up to eight processors in a system complex (sysplex) and manage them as one, allowing more efficient horizontal growth options.

The ES/9000 processors are general purpose computers. With optional vector facilities, (available on 14 of the 18 models, including six air- cooled models,) ES/9000 processors can become powerful supercomputers for scientific and engineering applications.

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CAMDEN, NJ (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Campbell Soup Co. (NYSE: CPB) today reported net earnings for the fiscal year ended July 29 of $4.4 million, or 3 cents per share, after fourth quarter charges for divestitures and restructuring of $301.6 million, or $2.33 per share.

That compares with fiscal 1989 net earnings of $13.1 million, or 10 cents per share, after restructuring charges of $260.8 million, or $2.02 per

share. Excluding these charges from both years, earnings per share rose 11 percent.

Net sales were $6.2 billion for the fiscal year, a 9 percent increase over 1989 net sales of $5.7 billion.

As a result of the charges for the divestiture and restructuring program, the company recorded a fourth quarter loss of $238.4 million, or $1.84 per share. That compares with a fourth quarter 1989 loss of $194.7 million, or $1.51 per share, also after restructuring charges.

Fourth quarter net sales rose 11 percent, to $1.44 billion from $1.30 billion a year ago.

Campbell U.S.A., the company's largest division, reported a 16 percent increase in fiscal year operating earnings, excluding restructuring charges. The division posted an 8 percent increase in sales for the year with solid volume increases in ready-to-serve soups, "Great Starts" frozen breakfasts, and "Prego" spaghetti sauces. "Mrs. Paul's" frozen seafood had a particularly strong year, regaining the number one market share position in frozen prepared seafood and achieving a significant improvement in profitability.

Pepperidge Farm operating earnings for the year rose 12 percent, excluding restructuring charges. Net sales rose 6 percent versus a year ago. The bakery, biscuit and food service business units had strong unit volume growth.

Campbell Enterprises had a 20 percent increase in operating earnings for the year, excluding restructuring charges. Net sales rose 5 percent from continuing businesses with a strong sales performance from Godiva premium chocolates.

Campbell International operating earnings, excluding restructuring charges were flat. Strong performances were recorded by the Canadian, European food and confectionery, and Argentine operations. United Kingdom frozen food and Italian biscuit operations performed poorly. Net sales, aided by acquisitions, increased for the year by 16 percent.

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PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - National Intergroup, Inc. (NII) (NYSE: NII) announced today that it is extending its tender offer for all outstanding cumulative convertible preference units representing limited

partnership interests of Permian Partners, L.P., at $3.85 per preference unit, subject to adjustment, and one non-transferable contingent value right ("CVR") per preference unit.

The offer and withdrawal rights, previously scheduled to expire at midnight (New York City time) on Sept. 4, 1990, will now expire at midnight (New York City time) on Sept. 11, 1990, subject to NII's right to extend the offer further.

As previously announced, NII plans to amend the terms of its tender offer with respect to the terms of the CVRs offered thereby. The CVRs are being offered pursuant to the terms of the previously announced settlement of certain litigation relating to the tender offer. NII said it plans to mail to unitholders a supplement to its offer to purchase setting forth the amended terms of the CVRs as soon as practicable after the Delaware Court rules on the settlement. As previously announced, NII said the Delaware Court had indicated at the hearing held on Aug. 27, 1990, that it intends to rule on the settlement promptly after receipt of additional information from the parties. The parties submitted such additional information to the Delaware Court on Sept. 4, 1990. Upon mailing the supplement, NII plans to further extend the tender offer for a minimum of 10 business days.

As of the close of business on Sept. 4, 1990, approximately 8,019,639 preference units (including 1,123,237 preference units pursuant to notices of guaranteed delivery) had been tendered and not withdrawn pursuant to the offer. The offer is conditioned upon, among other things, there being tendered and not withdrawn prior to the expiration of the offer at least 7,875,001 of the publicly held preference units, representing a majority of the publicly held preference units.

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FORT MILL, SC (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Springs Industries (NYSE: SMI) today announced plans for further restructuring of the company and a special early retirement program that will be offered to qualifying salaried employees. To provide for the cost of these actions, a special one-time charge will be made to earnings in the current quarter.

Walter Y. Elisha, chairman and chief executive officer, said the planned restructuring will take place over a 30 to 36 month period and will involve the conversion of several fabric manufacturing facilities to the production of home furnishings and a consolidation of some of the company's manufacturing operations. This process of conversion will involve further modernization in Springs' textile operations, and results

in a decrease in total weaving and finishing capacity. Over the period of implementation, the company expects to close portions of several manufacturing facilities.

Elisha said that a reserve will be created to cover the costs of both restructuring and the early retirement program through a special one-time pre-tax charge to third quarter earnings of $70 million, equivalent to $43.9 million after taxes, or $2.46 per share. The company expects this reserve to cover costs of any writeoffs of facilities where production is discontinued, as well as the additional expense created by the early retirement program. While purchases of new equipment will likely raise capital expenditures somewhat, Elisha said, the total program is not expected to require additional capital.

Elisha said, "These plans and the resulting charge to earnings reflect a continued acceleration of what has been a gradual process of moving more of our capacity to the home furnishings area as the market for finished fabrics continues to diminish. As the pace of this conversion picks up, we will have the opportunity to reduce manufacturing costs as equipment is replaced and production consolidated. At the completion of this program, we feel that our growing home furnishings and industrial fabrics businesses, as well as our refocused finished fabrics business, will be served by the most efficient and lowest-cost facilities available."

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JACKSON, MI (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company is offering a service during the coming cold months that provides an essential commodity: peace of mind.

The utility's residential natural gas customers throughout Michigan's Lower Peninsula are currently receiving information on the Heating Security Plan, which offers protection against unexpected problems with their heating or hot water system. The program provides that if a furnace hot water boiler, or water heater fails to operate over the next year, Consumers Power repair experts will come to the customer's house. If the problem is with a part covered by the plan, it will be corrected at no charge, except the initial charge for signing up.

Customer participation in the program can vary, depending on the extent of protection the customer chooses. Rates for the program are as follows: $59 for the basic furnace/hot water boiler program; $10 to add a water heater; $25 for an additional furnace or auxiliary heater. A $5 discount is available for early sign up prior to Oct. 1, 1990.

An additional $5 discount is available to senior citizens, age 65 and older, who are members of Consumers Power's Prime Timers Senior Club. Seniors who are not members of the club and are 65 or older can check a box on the enrollment form. There is no charge to join the Prime Timers Senior Club.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is the nation's eighth-largest gas distribution utility serving 215 cities and villages including suburban Detroit, Bay City, Flint, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Lansing, Pontiac and Saginaw in 40 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Shidler/Holman Group today expanded on its future plans for Grossman's Inc. (OTC: GROS) pursuant to its consent solicitation to replace Grossman's current board of directors with its own nominees.

"We have a clear vision for the turnaround of Grossman's," said Allen Doane, The Shidler/Holman Group's designated CEO. Doane, who recently has been visiting with Grossman's institutional holders, is currently managing partner and chief operating officer of The Shidler Group, and was previously group vice president in charge of IU International's successful $600 million distribution businesses.

"Our first job is to restructure Grossman's balance sheet to raise additional sources of capital and reduce existing debt service costs," he said. "The company is facing $50 million of debt and capital lease obligations over the next 18 months." As stated in an earlier release, The Shidler/Holman Group has engaged an independent financial advisor to spearhead the effort to take full advantage of Grossman's real estate assets to raise these needed funds.

"At the same time," Doane continued, "we will re-direct the business strategy to avoid head-to-head competition with Home Depot and Hechinger's. We believe that the company's current operating strategy and highly publicized 'merchandise intensification program' are misguided and resulting in steadily declining operating margins. Instead, we favor a return to Grossman's historical strength of providing everyday low price building materials to the do-it-yourself customer in markets where it can retain competitive advantage."

Doane also asserted: "We're firmly committed to a higher stock price for

Grossman's stockholder, both in the short and long term. Our ownership of over 1.2 million shares provides evidence of our own incentive for realizing a higher stock price." Doane noted the stock is trading close to its all-time low of $3 3/8 per share in the face of management's stated position that Grossman's future could not be brighter.

Doane pointed out that independent support of The Shidler/Holman Group's position on Grossman's has been received from the Institutional Voting Research Service, a Massachusetts-based advisory firm providing independent research and analysis to institutional shareholders whose Aug. 27 report recommends shareholders take advantage of the opportunity for change and support The Shidler/Holman slate. Their proposed board contains individuals with experience in every area critical to Grossman's future success. The report continues saying "members of the group have incentives that align themselves directly with those of shareholders, and therefore are likely to make decisions to maximize share value in the future."

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LONDON (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The 1990s are a crucial time when all elements of the air travel industry must catch up with the surge in demand experienced during the 1980s, a Boeing executive told the Financial Times conference here.

Chris Longridge, vice president-sales for Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, said Boeing was making substantial investments to increase jetliner production to meet that demand. But airport and airways improvements must be started soon if air travel is to grow at presently expected rates.

"On the busiest U.S. and European routes," Longridge said, "airlines generally have chosen to maintain frequency levels and to increase aircraft size. This appears to be their only option to accommodate traffic growth within the constraints of a congested infrastructure. While this may provide some short-term relief to the system -- primarily in the air -- I do not think it is a long-term solution to congestion on the ground."

The sales executive cited Boeing estimates that through the 1990s, air travel will grow at 6 percent a year, dropping to 5.5 percent through the year 2005. "That means the growth this industry saw over the past 20 years will be equalled during the next 10 years," he said.

"Another way to think about it is that the increase expected during the next decade is equivalent to adding 20 new airlines the size of British Airways."

Longridge detailed Boeing plans to satisfy the market demand for aircraft - a market for almost 10,000 new airplanes from now through the year 2005 - created by traffic growth plus the need to replace older, noisier jetliners. Nearly 30 percent of this $626 billion worth of new aircraft is already on manufacturers' order books, he said.

"Boeing has increased production considerably over the past six years delivering 284 airplanes in 1989. Plans call for 381 deliveries this year and 419 during 1991. By mid-1991 we will be producing airplanes at a rate of 38 a month."

"Even with these increases, we recognize that the situation is far from ideal," Longridge said, "and we would like to increase our production capability to keep our backlog to within about three years." With a current backlog of more than 1,700 airplanes, available slots in the production line now are well into the late 1990s.

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UNIVERSAL CITY, CALIF. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - MCA Inc. (NYSE: MCA) announced the completion of the previously announced agreement to acquire from a subsidiary of Cineplex Odeon Corporation its 18-screen Universal City Cinemas located on the company's Universal City property for $45,000,000. The theatre will retain the Cineplex Odeon name and will continue to be managed and operated by a subsidiary of Cineplex Odeon Corporation.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - IVAX Corporation (AMEX: IVX) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals, Inc., has been awarded a Small Business Innovative Research Grant ("SBIR Grant") of approximately $500,000 by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases to continue the development of anti-viral compounds.

One of Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals' anti-viral compounds, for the treatment of AIDS, is currently in the final stages of preclinical testing. Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals presently expects to file an

investigational new drug application with the United States Food and Drug Administration later this year and begin human testing soon thereafter.

SS Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. is collaborating with Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals in the research and development of this anti-viral drug. SS Pharmaceutical, the third largest manufacturer and distributor of over-the-counter pharmaceutical products in Japan, has a number of ethical pharmaceutical products under development. SS Pharmaceutical owns 4.6 percent of the outstanding shares of IVAX.

IVAX Corporation is a holding company consisting of three operating divisions: IVAX Industries, Inc., a chemical specialties business; Diamedix Corporation, a medical diagnostics company; and the pharmaceuticals group which includes Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a pharmaceuticals company; Baker Cummins Dermatologicals, Inc., a dermatological products company owned 50 percent by Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals and 50 percent by Union Carbide Corporation; and Best Generics, Inc., a national distributor of generic pharmaceuticals.

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POUGHKEEPSIE, NY (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - In its most comprehensive announcement of products, features and functions in more than a quarter century, IBM (NYSE: IBM) today introduced System/390(A) -- the industry's most advanced integration of system architecture, design, technology and function.

System/390 -- with its broad array of product options -- is designed to satisfy computing needs for the Nineties as defined by IBM's customers who want to manage their information system resources better and integrate them with strategic business processes for competitive advantage.

In addition to a new, enriched family of Enterprise Systems Architecture/390(A) operating systems, a new connection architecture and many functional enhancements, System/390 introduces the IBM Enterprise System/9000(A) family of 18 new processors -- including the most powerful the company has ever offered. The new processor family provides significant price-performance gains and flexible growth options spanning a 100-fold performance range increase from the smallest model to the most powerful.

The new ESA/390(A) architecture and new MVS/ESA(A), VM/ESA and VSE/ESA operating systems, along with new technologies, facilitate the function and computing power of System/390.

The range of ES/9000 growth options -- from the family's smallest rack-mounted office system, Model 120, to the very high performance Model 900 six-way multiprocessor -- helps to ensure smooth transitions for customers as their computing requirements change.

In typical configurations, prices for larger models of ES/9000 processors are as much as 23 percent lower than IBM Enterprise System/3090(A) (ES/390)(A) Model J processors of comparable computing power. Price-performance improvements in mid-range and low-end ES/9000 family processors range up to 50 percent when compared with IBM's earlier Enterprise System/4381(A) (ES/4381)(A) and Enterprise System/9370(A) (ES/9370)(A) processors.

Programs and applications based on the widely used System/370(A) architecture for IBM ES/3090, ES/4381 and ES/9370 will run effectively on ES/9000 and the ESA/390 operating systems with little or no modification, thus protecting customers' existing investments in software as they grow and move upward in the new, higher-function family.

For the first time, MVS/ESA, IBM's most powerful operating system -- previously available only to users of its larger systems -- also becomes available to intermediate system customers.

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POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - In conjunction with today's far-reaching System/390(A) announcement, IBM announced new and enhanced networking products that make it easier for customers to integrate and manage networks of IBM and other manufacturers' computers and provide quicker, easier access to information on any computer.

Enhanced controllers and communications software give customers greater flexibility in linking workstations and computers used in local area networks with mainframe computers. IBM also introduced a range of products that enable customers to manage local and wide area networks simultaneously as well as networks of other manufacturers' computers.

"These products and solutions considerably increase the availability and efficiency of our customers' computer networks and put information at users' fingertips more quickly and easily than ever before," said Ellen M. Hancock, IBM vice president and general manager, Communication Systems line of business.

"Today's announcements further demonstrate IBM's commitment to open systems," said Kevin M. Moonan, U.S. marketing and services director of networking systems. "They offer customers a wide array of networking options and are based on industry standards. This will allow customers to maximize the use of their networks now and in the future."

Controller Enhancements Boost Performance, Increase Flexibility IBM has added the 3172 Interconnect Controller Model 2 to its family of controllers, and introduced two new models and enhanced existing models of the 3174 Establishment Controller and the 3745 Communication Controller, to offer customers more flexibility in configuring their networks. The controllers also provide many more options for connecting local area networks to wide area networks.

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POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM today announced the industry's first integrated cryptographic feature and a new cryptographic architecture to help safeguard customers' vital information assets.

The optional integrated cryptographic feature and its associated software enable customers to process large amounts of encrypted data up to four times faster than IBM's previous high-end processor encryption offering, resulting in a dramatic reduction in the cost of encryption. Cryptography, the enciphering and deciphering of messages or data using secret code, is a practical means of protecting information sent over communications networks that use land lines, satellites and microwave transmission.

Also introduced today was a product providing enhanced security capability for workstations and personal computers, plus new "anti- virus" measures. These new products assist customers in the secure exchange of data anywhere in the enterprise, even among their business partners, vendors and clients.

"Previously, customers used data to track the performance of their businesses. Today, they use that data to run their businesses," said William D. Vance, director of secure systems, Enterprise Systems. "Protecting data is crucial, and our new products give customers the end-to-end security measures they need to manage their enterprises."

The new high-speed Integrated Cryptographic Feature (ICRF) consists of a tamper-resistant Thermal Conduction Module (TCM) for water-cooled models of Enterprise System/9000(A) processors and a key-entry unit. Integrated

Cryptographic Service Facility/MVS (ICSF/MVS), a licensed program, is required for ICRF operation. Customers use the key-entry unit to enter master cryptographic keys into a secure key storage unit connected to the TCM by a tamper-resistant shielded cable.

Cryptography provides an added measure for protecting customers' most sensitive data from disclosure. Customers may use cryptographic services to protect not only the privacy of data, but also the integrity of their data. These services help to provide customers with the high degree of security they might need for processing proprietary information, such as engineering drawings, and high-value transactions, such as electronic funds transfer.

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POUGHKEEPSIE, NY (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM (NYSE: IBM) today announced Enterprise Systems Connection (ESCON)(A) Architecture,(A) using wide-band, high-speed fiber optic channels that allow customers to interconnect their computer systems over miles instead of a few hundred feet.

With IBM's new ESCON products, the customer's traditional data center, or "glass house," will change dramatically. Processors and their input/output (I/O) devices, such as disk, tape and display controllers, can be placed as far apart as nine kilometers, or 5.6 miles, allowing customers to build campus-wide computing systems.

The new ESA/390(A) interconnection architecture offers a new connection method and technology that improve system availability by allowing customers to add, delete or service I/O devices without disrupting end users.

Customers with cramped computer equipment rooms will have a new level of flexibility with ESCON. Essential computing devices now can be located miles away from the central processor, and they can operate in a "lights out" environment with little or no human intervention.

For those customers located where the high cost of real estate is a consideration, I/O devices can be situated in less expensive locales. An enterprise with a data center in such an area can now relocate I/O equipment to nearby sites where costs are lower.

The new fiber optic ESCON channels transfer data between host computers or between a host and a controller at up to 10 megabytes (million characters) a second, more than twice the speed of copper-cable parallel channels in

wide use today. ESCON allows customers to change the configuration of their systems while they continue operations, instead of being required to shut down their equipment as they do today.

The ESCON Manager (ESCM), a licensed program product running under MVS/ESA(A) or VM/ESA, provides host control to help customers manage connections that use ESCON Directors. With ESCM, operators can display system-wide configuration and status information from a single point of control, such as a NetView(A), ESCM or MVS master console.

For single and multiple processors in an ESCON environment, the ESCON Analyzer provides customers with easy diagnosis of link errors and coordination of service for a fiber optic complex from a single operator console.

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POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM today announced a set of products that will allow workstation users to share resources transparently and flexibly throughout their computer networks. These announcements enhance IBM's client/server computing offerings and contribute to an environment in which workstation users throughout a network can easily share resources ranging from data and applications, to devices such as printers, to processing for large jobs that require intensive computing.

The new client/server computing products also extend announced directions for AIX(A), the IBM implementation of the UNIX(B) operating system, and Systems Application Architecture(A) (SAA)(A) -- which assist customers in meeting such client/server needs as software distribution and the transparent sharing of information through relational databases.

In client/server computing, a "client," usually an intelligent workstation can request services from a "server" -- the most suitable processor in the installation -- placing the rich resources of the entire network at the service of the workstation and its end user. Networked computers of all sizes -- from intelligent workstations to powerful mainframes -- can play a role in client/server computing.

"IBM's goal is to deliver the solutions our customers need to remain competitive in this decade of client/server computing," says Art Olbert, Enterprise Systems Director of Client/Server Computing. "We're in a unique position to deliver the total client/server solutions our customers want because IBM designs, develops and markets everything from PS/2(A) and

RISC Systems/6000(A), to the AS/400(A), to the Enterprise System/9000(A) family announced today, as well as products that support the many software protocols and standards required in a multivendor environment."

Listening to Customers' Client/Server Computing Requirements IBM increased its focus on client/server computing by creating the Client/Server Computing organization, which spans all product divisions, in May of 1989. This group intensified already active efforts with customers to understand how customers defined client/server computing. Views were sought from a broad range of domestic and international customers and user groups in such areas as banking, insurance, manufacturing and securities.

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POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - To help customers expand their abilities to access and manage data across their enterprises, IBM (NYSE: IBM) today enhanced its distributed relational database capabilities.

The solutions constitute the next step in the delivery of Systems Application Architecture(A) (SAA)(A) distributed database management.

Announced today were new releases of DATABASE 2(A) (DB2)(A) and Structured Query Language/Data Systems (SQL/DS), designed to extend users' access to distributed relational data. Also announced was a new version of Query Management Facility (QMF)(A); a new software tool called Data Propagator(A) MVS/ESA(A); an SAA application that provides a new natural language query, SAA LanguageAccess, and a new release of Information Management System/Enterprise Systems Architecture Database Manager (IMS/ESA(A) (DB), with improvements in availability and systems management.

Using IBM's SAA Distributed Relational Database Architecture (DRDA) announced in June, customers can distribute data between DB2 systems under MVS, and SQL/DS relational databases under VM, regardless of where the data is stored. Users will need only to request the data and their system will retrieve it automatically, giving customers wider and more efficient use of data on VM and MVS operating systems.

DB2 and SQL/DS have implemented Remote-Unit-of-Work (RUOW) based on DRDA. In addition, DRDA will provide the basis for distributed RUOW support for the SAA OS/2(A) EE and OS/400(A) database managers when distributed support to multiple database systems is available in those SAA environments. With DRDA, users or application programs can easily access information in relational databases from any SAA or non-SAA system that fully implements DRDA in the enterprise.

Data Propagator MVS/ESA(A), a new software tool, is designed to facilitate the coexistence of IMS/ESA DB and DB2 databases. Data Propagator MVS/ESA ensures that data remains current and consistent on a DB2 database when it is changed on an IMS/ESA database, without user intervention. The system has the option to make all changes immediately or at user-controlled intervals. This makes it easy to complement existing IMS production applications with DB2 relational databases for decision-support query and reporting, and the data can be kept as current as desired.

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PHOENIX, AZ (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Dena Krentz-Greenawalt, composting operations systems foreman of Phoenix Newspapers Inc., publishers of the Arizona Republic, Phoenix Gazette, and Arizona Business Gazette, has announced the formation of the Information International Inc. (NASDAQ: IINT) (triple-I) Users' Group (TUG). Independent of triple-I, "Tug aims primarily to serve the users of triple-I equipment as a forum for the exchange of information and problem solving," according to TUG founder Krentz-Greenawalt.

Nearly 50 participants representing 21 triple-I installation sites attended TUG's first meeting and election of officers, held in June during the ANPA/TEC '90 show in Las Vegas. Officers include Krentz-Greenawalt, president; Jeff Dodd, senior account manager, International Computaprint Corp., as vice president; and Steve Schowengerdt, director of pagination at The Desert News, Salt Lake City, as secretary. Newspaper Agency Corp., publishers of The Salt Lake City Tribune and The Deseret News, will host the group's second annual meeting, slated for spring in Salt Lake City.

According to Krentz-Greenawalt, sophisticated publishing systems, like other advanced tools, present some users with practical challenges which no manufacturer can train for or completely foresee. In Fall, 1989, she conducted an inquiry survey from a triple-I customer list and received a near unanimous positive response which led to TUG's first meeting in June. Users exchanged information on issues, such as efficiency in production procedures, training methods, subtleties of software revisions, and methods of handling specialized ad situations. Other frequent questions involved optimum utilization of personnel and materials.

Triple-I recently sponsored and monitored two user seminars on specific issues. Now TUG provides the company regular feedback on changes in the user's environment.

TUG is open to any triple-I customer that is using triple-I equipment to

produce all or any portion of their printed product. Members currently include newspapers and five commercial sites. Not included are sites using only TECS/2 equipment, which has a separate specialized user group. Further information on joining TUG may be obtained from Dena Krentz-Greenawalt at Phoenix Newspapers, 602-271-8847.

Information International (NASDAQ: IINT) designs, manufactures, markets, and services computer-based systems that automate prepress production in newspaper, magazine, technical, financial and catalog publishing.

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SAGINAW, MICH (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Polar Molecular Corporation's President and Chief Executive Officer Mark L. Nelson announced today that the company has entered into an option agreement with a major refiner to license its patented fuel additive technology, DurAlt(R) Fuel Conditioner. The name of the refiner was withheld at its request so as to preserve the confidentiality of the refiner's commercial strategy.

Under the terms of the licensing agreement, according to Nelson, the refiner would have the right to make and use PMC's patented fuel additive technology in its own refined products on a royalty basis.

According to the company, a number of major U.S. and foreign refiners are now testing its products.

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THOMASVILLE, GA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Davis Water & Waste Industries Inc. (NYSE: DWW) today reported results for the first quarter ended July 31.

The company reported net income of $165,524 or five cents per share on net sales of $51,192,544 compared to a net loss of $537,627 or 16 cents per share on net sales of $45,338,214 for the same period last year.

"Our water and sewage treatment business generated increased volume during this first quarter as compared to previous years. However, the continued slowdown in land development and residential construction, the current interest rate environment, and intensive competition for the available business are impacting margins this year," Doyle White, president, said.

"We continue to experience a slowdown in our water distribution equipment and supply business, which accounts for about 80 percent of total revenues. As part of our cost containment program, we recently closed several unprofitable branches and reduced operating costs where possible to help maximize profitability. We remain optimistic about the balance of fiscal 1991 and beyond, and continue to aggressively seek to expand operations internally and through acquisitions," White added.

Davis Water & Waste recently opened distribution centers in Houston, San Diego, and Bullhead City, Ariz.

The board of directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 7.25 cents per share payable Oct. 1 to shareholders of record on Sept. 17. This represents the 10th consecutive year in which the company has paid a cash dividend.

Davis also has completed the previously announced acquisition of The Taulman Co., a privately held Atlanta-based firm engaged in the environmental pollution control business. Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

CONTACT: Stan White of Davis Water & Waste, 912-226-5733.

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ST. PETERSBURG, FL (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Global Utilities, Inc. (AMEX: TGU), today announced its monthly dividend from net investment income of $0.06 per share payable Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Mistele, secretary of Templeton Global Utilities, Inc. 800-237-0738.

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BOISE, ID (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Boise Cascade Corp. (NYSE: BCC) and Appleton Papers Inc. announced today that Appleton has agreed to purchase the Boise Cascade paper mill in Vancouver, Wash., for approximately $60 million. In addition, Appleton Papers has agreed to purchase finished goods inventories, which would bring the total transaction to approximately $72 million. Boise Cascade produces carbonless paper and other business communications papers at the Vancouver facility.

Both parties anticipate that the sale will be completed by year-end. Boise Cascade does not expect to realize a material gain or loss from the transaction.

"The sale of the Vancouver mill will be the first major step toward Boise Cascade's stated objective of reducing its pulp and paper presence in the Pacific Northwest," said John B. Fery, Boise Cascade chairman of the board and chief executive officer. "The sale also supports a second objective of focusing on white paper grades other than carbonless. These are two of five recently announced objectives that Boise Cascade is vigorously pursuing to increase shareholder value in the '90s."

With the purchase of the Vancouver facility, Appleton will add approximately 100,000 tons of papermaking capacity. The Vancouver mill's approximately 450 employees are expected to become Appleton Papers employees.

Appleton Papers Inc. is headquartered in Appleton, Wisc., and is the world's leading producer of carbonless paper, the leading U.S. producer of thermal paper, and a producer of colored enamels and other specialty coated papers. The company has manufacturing operations in Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Appleton Papers Inc. is a subsidiary of Wiggins Teape Appleton p.l.c., London, England.

Boise Cascade Corp. is an integrated forest products company headquartered in Boise, Idaho, with operations located primarily in the United States and Canada. The company manufactures and distributes paper and paper products, office products, and building products and owns and manages timberland to support these operations.

CONTACT: Andrew Drysdale of Boise Cascade Corp., 208-384-7675; or Dennis Hultgren of Appleton Papers Inc., 414-749-8600.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - JPS Textile Group, Inc. has extended until 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Thursday, Sept. 6, 1990, the expiration date, consent solicitation and withdrawal rights relating to each of the following: JPS's cash tender offer for all of its outstanding senior variable rate notes due 1996, senior subordinated discount notes due 1999 and 15-1/4 percent senior subordinated notes due 1999, at a purchase price of $750, $256.07 and $400, respectively, per $1,000 principal amount tendered; its cash tender offer for all of its outstanding shares of Series A exchangeable adjustable rate preferred stock, at a purchase price of $10 per share tendered; and its offer to exchange $1,000 principal amount of its new 6 percent (pay-in-kind) subordinated debentures due 1999 for each $1,000 principal amount of its outstanding 14-1/4 percent subordinated debentures due 2000. Each such offer, which originally commenced on July 20, 1990, was scheduled to expire, as extended, at 12:00 midnight, on Sept. 4, 1990, unless further

extended.

Such extension has been made with a view towards increasing, amending or otherwise modifying the consideration presently being offered pursuant to each offer.

In addition, the amendment to the company's existing bank credit facility which, among other things, eases certain financial and operating covenants became effective Thursday, Aug. 30, 1990.

As of Sept. 4, 1990, approximately $1,600,000 in outstanding principal amount of the senior variable rate notes had been tendered for purchase and not withdrawn, and no other JPS securities had been tendered pursuant to the offers.

CONTACT: Maureen Burgess of Kekst & Co., 212-593-2655, for JPS Textile Group.

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#90248p1286 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Leading energy project developer O'Brien Energy Systems, Inc. (AMEX: OBS), today announced its 52 megawatt, $54 million Newark Group Industries cogeneration project in Newark, N.J., began producing energy on Thursday, Aug. 30, 1990 and electricity has begun being sold to Jersey Central Power and Light. The plant, now in the process of gearing up to full production, is expected to undergo final acceptance test procedures in the near future.

CONTACT: Hal LeVay of Porter, LeVay & Rose, Inc., 212-564-4700, for O'Brien Energy Systems.

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NORTH WILKESBORO, N.C. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Lowe's Companies, Inc. (NYSE: LOW) announced its August sales totaled $214.8 million, a 2 percent increase from August of 1989. Sales to retail customers increased 9 percent and sales to contractors decreased 8 percent.

The table below presents sales comparisons and trends: 4 Weeks Ended:

	August 31, 1990		September 1, 1989	
	Pct. Change	Total Sales (000,000)	Pct. of Total	Total Sales (000,000)	Pct. of Total
Retail Sales	+ 9	$136.1	63	$125.4	60
Contractor Sales	- 8	$ 78.7	37	$ 85.2	40
Total Sales	+ 2	$214.8	100	$210.6	100
Comparable					

Stores(a)(275)	- 3	$190.0	89	$196.7	93 New
Projects(b)(30)	+109	$ 24.3	11	$ 11.6	6
Closed Stores(c)		.5	-	$ 2.3	1
Total Stores(305)		$214.8	100	$210.6	100

(a) Stores open more than one year on August 1 with comparable square footage (b) Stores open less than one year and stores which have been retrofitted or relocated within the past twelve months (c) 6 stores closed through August 1990.

Contractor yards in the Atlanta market were consolidated. Operations of the Smyrna and College park facilities were moved to the Doraville unit. Remerchandising projects in six stores were completed.

Lowe's now operates 305 stores in 20 states, in the South Atlantic and South Central regions of the United States. Lowe's is a specialty retailer pursuing three businesses in our stores: the home center do-it-yourself business, the consumer durables business, and the building contractor business.

Lowe's monthly sales results are based on four-week, four-week, and five-week reporting periods. Lowe's quarterly news release on sales and earnings will continue to reflect precise totals.

CONTACT: For further information, including weekly sales data, contact W. Cliff Oxford or Clarissa S. Felts of Lowe's Companies, Inc., 919-651-4631 or 919-651-4254

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#90248p1291 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHELTON, CT (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Data Switch Corporation (NASDAQ: DASW) said today that Rudolph G. Morin, executive vice president and a member of the board of directors, will take on new strategic and operating responsibilities, and Michael Stashower, also a board member, will join the company as senior vice president and succeed Morin as chief financial officer. The announcement was made by Robert G. Gilbertson, president and chief executive officer.

In his new executive role, Morin will serve as chief development officer, and he will also become general manager of the T-Bar Division. T-Bar, which manufactures small communications switching systems and components, was headed by Gerrit Rohner, who recently passed away.

Stashower, who has been on the Data Switch board since 1985, has held a variety of posts in corporate financial management, including 18 years in key positions at Perkin-Elmer, where he advanced to senior vice president of finance. Most recently, he was executive vice president of Softstrip,

Inc., and his career has included management positions with AMF, Chrysler, and Ford. He holds a B.A. and an M.B.A. from Cornell University.

Morin, who has been a senior executive at Data Switch for six years, came to the company in 1984 from Thyssen-Bornemisza, an international industrial holding company, where he had been a senior financial and operating officer. A graduate of Lowell Institute of Technology, he also holds an M.B.A. from Harvard University.

Commenting on the new appointments, Gilbertson said: "With Rudy and Mike in these key posts, we strengthen our management team to accomplish our strategic goals. Rudy was instrumental in returning the company to a sound financial footing both in 1985 and after the acquisition of T-Bar in 1987. Mike's service on the board has stimulated and supported the strategics that have moved the company forward. We are pleased that both of them are here to help Data Switch make further progress."

Data Switch Corporation is a leading manufacturer of data processing and communications systems that are essential to the management and control of today's information processing networks.

CONTACT: Linda L. Bachmann of Data Switch, 203-926-1801

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#90248p1293 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - CalMat Co. (NYSE: CZM) today announced that Onoda California Inc. (Onoda), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Onoda Cement Co. Ltd. of Japan, has informed CalMat that it is exercising its right, under a previously announced agreement dated July 19, 1988, to have CalMat acquire the 5,834,070 shares of CalMat common stock currently held by Onoda.

In accordance with the agreement, CalMat has the option to deliver the stock of its wholly owned subsidiary, California Portland Cement Co. (CPC) initially valued at $310 million, in exchange for the CalMat shares held by Onoda. In this exchange the CalMat shares are to be valued at the higher of $39.31 per share, or the current market value. Although CalMat has the alternative of purchasing the shares for cash, it intends to satisfy its obligation by exchanging the CPC shares for the CalMat shares held by Onoda. The acquisition value will be adjusted to provide CalMat the benefit of any CPC earnings from the date of the agreement, and to reflect changes in the capitalization of CPC. It is expected that CalMat will receive a payment, in the form of a combined dividend from CPC and assumption of debt by Onoda, which will equalize the agreed-upon values of the CalMat shares held by Onoda and the CPC shares. Closing of the transaction is expected to take place not later than the fourth quarter of 1990.

The assets of CPC include three cement manufacturing facilities located in California and Arizona, 13 Los Angeles-area ready-mixed concrete plants, three cement transfer terminals and a 50-percent interest in a cement import terminal located in Los Angeles.

CONTACT: Judy R. Cunningham, of CalMat, 213-258-2777, ext. 3200.

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BOCA RATON, FLA. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Innovet Inc. (NASDAQ: IVET) today announced that 10 investors have purchased shares of its restricted common stock for a total amount of $512,000.

"The confidence shown in our company by these investors is encouraging," said John Boone, the Chairman of InnoVet. "We are in an excellent cash position at this time to continue our work in developing the veterinary and human applications of our Microdroplet Technology and immunostimulant compounds well through 1991."

Based in Boca Raton, InnoVet is a company dedicated to innovative animal healthcare products. The company's Microdroplet Drug Delivery Technology and its work with compounds to boost the infection fighting ability of the immune system hold promise for changing the way in which livestock, pets and eventually humans may be treated for disease.

CONTACT: John T. Boone of Innovet Inc., 407-394-0621; or Bruce H. Wolk of Carl Thompson Associates Inc. for Innovet Inc., 303-494-5472

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#90248p1297 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOBURN, MA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Cardiosystems Inc. (AMEX: TCA) announced today that the company's HeartMate(R) ventricular- assist device (VAD) has been successfully implanted in a 35-year-old female patient at the Presbyterian Hospital/Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center in New York. Columbia-Presbyterian is the first heart transplant center to use this device in the Greater New York area.

Eric Rose, M.D., led the surgical team at Columbia-Presbyterian that implanted the HeartMate device in the patient who was suffering from myocarditis. Now the 33rd patient in the United States to receive the HeartMate, she will be supported by the device until a donor heart becomes available.

"I am very pleased that Columbia-Presbyterian has completed their first HeartMate implant successfully," said Victor L. Poirier, president of

Thermo Cardiosystems. "It is very exciting for us to be working with one of the nation's leading heart transplant centers."

Surgeons at Columbia-Presbyterian performed 84 heart transplants last year. The HeartMate device has also been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for clinical use at seven other leading transplant centers around the country.

Thermo Cardiosystems Inc. is a leader in research and development of implantable ventricular-assist devices. These devices are designed to perform substantially all or part of the pumping function of the left ventricle of the natural heart for patients suffering from cardiovascular disease. Thermo Cardiosystems is a public subsidiary of Thermedics Inc. (AMEX: TMD) and Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

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LANSDALE, PA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Central Sprinkler Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: CNSP) reported today its sales and earnings for the third quarter ended July 31, 1990.

Sales for the quarter of $17,697,000 declined 2.7 percent from the $18,197,000 reported in the third quarter of fiscal 1989. Net income for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 was $1,566,000 compared to the $1,637,000 earned in the same quarter of fiscal 1989. The company earned $.30 per share in the third quarter of fiscal 1990 which was $.01 less than its earnings for the same quarter of fiscal 1989. The overall decline in sales and net income for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 primarily reflects the general decline in the level of new construction activity throughout most of the United States. The company's fire sprinkler products are used extensively in new construction projects as well as in the remodeling and retrofitting of older commercial and residential properties.

This decline in new construction activity adversely affected third quarter sales across all of the company's major product lines. Operating expenses for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 were virtually the same as the period a year ago due to various cost containment programs and lower variable sales expenses.

For the nine months ended July 31, 1990, sales were $52,849,000 and net income was $4,112,000 in comparison to sales of $51,067,000 and net income of $4,263,000 in the same period of fiscal 1989. Earnings per share of $.79 for the nine-month period of fiscal 1990 were $.03 less than the $.82 earned in the same period of fiscal 1989.

Central Sprinkler Corp. is a manufacturer and distributor of components used in automatic fire sprinkler systems.

CENTRAL SPRINKLER CORP.
(Amounts in thousands, except per share)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
July 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$17,697	$18,197	$52,849	$51,067
Gross profit	6,210	6,476	18,138	17,873
Operating income	2,436	2,710	6,444	7,027
Net income	1,566	1,637	4,112	4,263
Earnings per share	$.30	$.31	$.79	$.82
Average number of shares	5,224	5,214	5,231	5,182

CONTACT: Al Sabol of Central Sprinkler, 215-362-0700

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#90248p1299 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENASHA, WIS. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Banta Corporation (NASDAQ: BNTA) today announced it has entered into a multimillion- dollar contract to produce postage stamp booklets for the U.S. Postal Service. Length of the contract is five years. Total contract volume will be based on quantities determined annually by the postal service.

Chairman Calvin W. Aurand, Jr. says the contract places Banta into the security printing business, part of a broader market that includes such things as gift certificates, game cards, food stamps and other print materials whose production requires special security precautions. "The various finishing processes involved with production of these booklets, such as trimming, perforating, folding and booklet binding, are a nice fit with our specialized manufacturing capabilities. Now that we're in the security printing market, we will examine other opportunities as they become available."

Two Banta Corporation subsidiaries will service the new account: KCS Industries Inc., Milwaukee, and The Press, Inc., Chanhassen, Minn.

Stamp booklet production will begin immediately, according to KCS Industries President Tim Battles. KCS Industries will assume overall responsibility for servicing the account. The company serves the point-of-purchase market with design and manufacturing services involving displays, retail merchandising programs and product identification materials.

"This contract provides a new avenue of growth for KCS," says Battles.

"It complements our printing and pressure-sensitive label production businesses."

He predicts an additional 25 to 30 employees will be added as a result of the contract. Employment currently stands at 250.

Banta Corporation is one of the nation's leading graphic arts companies, offering diverse printing and graphic/video services. It serves publishers of educational and general books, special-interest magazines, consumer and business catalogs, direct marketing materials and security documents. Its other businesses offer prepress services, multimedia and software packages, point-of-purchase materials, single- use products and video post-production and production services.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange and Reuters Holdings PLC (NASDAQ: RTRSY) have signed a letter of intent to develop and operate an electronic marketplace for the trading of private placement securities meeting the requirements of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 144A.

The new marketplace, called the System for Institutional Trading of Unregistered Securities (SITUS), would support trading of these securities by qualified institutional buyers as defined by the new rule.

Rule 144A provides an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933 for resales of unregistered securities to qualified institutions.

AMEX and Reuters intend to launch SITUS during the first half of 1991. A detailed, definitive agreement is to be negotiated.

Plans for development of SITUS come at a time when there is strong interest in the private placement market among both U.S. institutions and overseas corporate issuers. Industry estimates give the U.S. private placement market an annual value of between $170 billion and $200 billion.

Under the letter of intent, SITUS would be a division or subsidiary of the American Stock Exchange. The Exchange would be responsible for regulatory reporting, qualifications, surveillance and Exchange-related administrative functions. The SITUS electronic trading system would be developed, operated, owned and maintained by Reuters.

The system would incorporate the most recent software technology from a

variety of Reuter subsidiaries, particularly the Instinet electronic trading system. Users would access SITUS via Reuter terminals.

Reuters Holdings PLC supplies the global business community and news media with a wide range of facilities including real-time financial data and transaction services, access to numeric and textual historical databases, news and news pictures. Reuters has a controlling interest in Visnews, the international television news agency, and Reuter Group companies design and install trading room systems. Reuters obtains information from around 160 exchanges and over-the-counter markets and from a network of some 1,310 journalists, photographers and cameramen. Reuters distributes information through approximately 200,000 video terminals and teleprinters. This includes information directly transmitted to clients' computers.

CONTACT: Bob Shabazian, 212-306-1630, or Shelly Wolfe, 212-306-1641, both of the American Stock Exchange

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#90248p1302 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MICH. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Herb Fried, chairman and chief executive officer of W.B. Doner & Company, announced management changes for the $350 million advertising agency today.

Fried, himself, will shift his focus to the Detroit office, spending the majority of his time there, but continuing to oversee all agency offices. He will maintain residences in Maryland and Michigan.

Simultaneously, Jim Dale, formerly vice chairman and corporate creative director, takes on the role of president of the agency and chief operating officer. Dale will be based in Baltimore.

The agency's Executive Committee will be expanded to include four new members in addition to Fried and Dale. They are Barry Levine, who has moved up to senior vice president and chief financial officer; Steve LaGattuta, to vice chairman, International Business Development; Alan Kalter, moving to vice chairman, Account Management; and Don Riesett, also upped to vice chairman, Account Management. Levine, LaGattuta and Kalter are based in Detroit. Riesett is in Baltimore.

Fried, who had been spending more time in Detroit since the death last January of W.B. "Brod" Doner, the agency's founder, said, "We are particularly proud of being able to fuel the agency's growth from within our ranks. These are the same people who will guide the agency into the next century."

Doner is co-headquartered in Detroit and Baltimore, with offices in

Cleveland, Boston, Chicago, Tampa, Fla., Toronto, Montreal and London. The agency has had remarkable growth, gaining such prominent advertisers as BFGoodrich, Chiquita Brands International and Yoplait Frozen Yogurt in recent months. And Doner is a perennial creative leader, adding six national ADDY's, six ANDY's and two Cannes Lion awards just in the last year.

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#90248p1308 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - An unprecedented Total Satisfaction Guarantee and two small copiers that will be sold through different marketing channels were announced here today by Xerox Corporation (NYSE: XRX).

The Xerox Total Satisfaction Guarantee, effective for products purchased, leased or rented from Xerox from today onward, is the first of its kind in the business products and systems industry. It covers all Xerox products for three years, or throughout the period of Xerox financing, whichever is longer.

Under its terms, customers who maintain their Xerox equipment under Xerox authorized service or warranty but are not fully satisfied are entitled to a replacement product that is identical or comparable to the original. Xerox pays all costs associated with the replacement.

Also announced today were the Xerox 5034 and 5011 R/E convenience copiers, bringing to nine the number of small copiers Xerox sells.

The 5034 copier is the first 50 Series small copier to be equipped with a duplexing automatic document handler that can invert originals to make copies automatically on both sides of a sheet of paper. The 5011 R/E copier features a speed of 12 copies per minute. It accepts originals up to 11 by 17 inches and can reduce or enlarge in ratios of 65, 75 and 130 percent or original size.

The new Total Satisfaction Guarantee is unique because of the empowerment given to the customer.

Discussing the new 5034 and 5011 R/E convenience copiers, Cahn noted that they make the selection of small Xerox copiers the broadest ever marketed by the company. He said this broad selection underscores the commitment of the company to the small-copier market.

The 5034 copier, which is equipped with a 10-bin sorter, has a presentation-set capability unique to the industry. In a single step, it

can make overhead acetate transparencies, interleave blank pages between the acetates, and make up to nine copy sets for use as handouts at meetings. It can also insert both front and back cover automatically on copied sets and insert dividers between pages of the copied documents.

The 5011 copier has automatic copy-quality adjustment for problem originals and a photo mode for copying photographs.

Both the 5034 and the 5011 use Xerox copy cartridges and dry-ink cartridges, which are guaranteed to perform to their specifications. They are customer replaceable.

CONTACT: Daniel C. Minchen of Xerox Corporation, 716-423-3539.

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#90248p1309 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Varitronic Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: VRSY) today reported that net earnings for its fiscal year ended July 31, 1990, were $1,753,000, or 40 cents per share, compared with $6,295,000, or $1.14 per share, for fiscal 1989. Net sales for fiscal 1990 were $39,447,000, compared with $52,586,000 in fiscal 1989.

Net earnings for the fourth quarter ended July 31, 1990, were $821,000, or 22 cents per share, compared with $734,000, or 13 cents per share, for the fourth quarter of 1989. Net sales were $9,478,000 in the fourth quarter of 1990, compared with $10,716,000 in the comparable period last year.

During 1990, the company repurchased 1,956,000 shares of its common stock at an average price of $5.76 per share, decreasing weighted average shares outstanding to 4,391,000 in fiscal 1990, compared with 5,520,000 in fiscal 1989. There were 3,629,000 shares of common stock outstanding at July 31, 1990.

A decline in machine unit sales, plus decreased average unit prices, accounted for the company's 25 percent sales decline in 1990. Sales of consumable supplies for use in the company's business graphics products remained at approximately the same level as in 1989.

Earnings for the year were impacted by several non-recurring expenses: (1) a $1,850,000 writedown of the Typestyler(TM) product line; (2) severance expenses of $368,000 related to an 18 percent reduction in the company's workforce; and (3) expenses of $267,000 incurred during merger discussions with Kroy, Inc., which were terminated in September 1989. On an after tax basis, these one-time charges amounted to approximately 37 cents per share for the year.

The company's gross margin in 1990 declined to 42 percent, compared with

48 percent in 1989. However, without the $1,850,000 writedown of the Typestyler product line, the company's 1990 gross margin would have been 47 percent. Fourth quarter 1990 gross margin was 46 percent, compared with 48 percent in the fourth quarter of 1989.

Net cash flow from operations was $10.1 million in 1990, compared with $1.6 million in 1989. All of this cash was used in repurchases of the company's stock, as described above.

"Even though we were disappointed in our sales and earnings performance in 1990, we believe we made the right decisions to reposition the company," Scott Drill, chairman and CEO said. "It was important that we quickly recognized that the Typestyler was not going to live up to its expected potential, so that we could refocus our marketing efforts on our new PosterPrinter(TM) product and on our successful line of lettering systems. Although it was difficult, it was very important that we reduced our workforce by 18 percent last November. As a result, annual operating expenses were reduced by $2 million.

"We are the market leader for office lettering systems and related consumable supplies, and we have programs in place which we believe will further enhance our leadership position. We are also actively looking for new products that will complement our existing product lines and enhance our opportunities for growth as a presentation products company.

"Having taken the steps we did in 1990, we believe that Varitronics is a very solid company. We have a strong balance sheet, a predictable base of revenues from our supply business, graphic products that continue to gain acceptance, and a strong distribution system that provides good opportunities to bring new presentation products to market."

Varitronics is a Minnesota-based developer, manufacturer and marketer of business graphic products that enhance the quality, professionalism and effectiveness of business communications.

VARITRONIC SYSTEMS, INC. -- Results of Operations
(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Fourth Quarter Ended		Year Ended Ended	
	7/31/90	7/31/89	7/31/90	7/31/89
Net Sales	$9,478	$10,716	$39,447	$52,586
Net Income	821	734	1,753	6,295
Net Income Per Share	$.22	$.13	$.40	$1.14
Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding	3,676	5,552	4,391	5,520

CONTACT: Debbie Moore of Varitronic Systems, 612-542-1500; or Jack Falker of Swenson/Falker Associates Inc., 612-371-0000, for Varitronic Systems

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#90248p1310 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The advances embodied in the Enterprie System/9000(A) family announced today will bring new power and function to customers having supercomputing requirements, at prices attractive to all users.

"We're pleased that the new performance range of the ES/9000(A) systems, both at the high end for the very large applications and with the new air-cooled processors, will extend technical computing opportunities for scientists and researchers worldwide," said Jerry Latta, application solutions director of Technical Computing Systems at IBM.

The ES/9000 family expands customers' supercompting capability with outstanding high-end scalar (a single arithmetic operation per computer instruction) and vector (a single computer instruction capable of performing multiple arithmetic operations) performance, larger central and expanded storage, new Enterprise Systems Connection (ESCON(A)) Architecture(A) (channel architecture) based on optical fiber technology to accommodate enterprise-wide computing, greatly enhanced OEM-connectivity for the multi-vendor environments and a low-cost air-cooled entry system with vector capability.

The ten air-cooled and eight water-cooled processors of the ES/9000 family provide a unique compatible growth path to all users with numerically-intensive computing (NIC) applications through significantly enhanced scalar floating-point performance and improved vector and parallel processing. Parallel processing is the execution of a single user's job across multiple processors simultaneously. Parallelism can reduce the turnaround time for NIC applications on IBM multiprocessors.

With the rack-mounted processors, the ES/9000 Model 170 is expected to provide up to five-times the NIC performance as compared to the previous Enterprise System/9370(A) Model 90. The frame-mounted ES/9000 Model 320 with Vector Facility provides more than 16-times the scalar NIC performance of its predecessor Enterprise System/4381(A) Model 90 running the LINPACK benchmark. Such performance increases open up new possibilities for scientific and technical processing at the departmental level as well as in smaller enterprises.

At the high-end of the ES/9000 line, the water-cooled Model 900 is expected to provide from 2.0-to-2.8-times the NIC performance available on the Enterprise System/3090(A) Model 600J. Also available on the high- end are the IBM SuperComputing System Extensions (SCSEs), which are designed to meet both performance and functional requirements of the most demanding scientific and technical users. SCSEs are extensions to IBM products that allow the end user to achieve greater processing power.

Customers can continue to run the nearly 1,000 available scalar applications and more than 200 of the latest versions of the most widely-used vectorized technical computing applications on the ES/9000. These applications are available in such areas as structures, fluids, physics, chemistry, mathematics and earth resources.

The following languages will run on all models of the ES/9000 for scientific and technical applications: VS FORTRAN, C/370, APL2, VS Pascal and Assembler. In addition, productivity tools such as the IBM Optimization Subroutine Library (OSL) and the IBM Engineering Scientific Subroutine Library (ESSL) will run on the systems. ESSL is a collection of mathematical subroutines that provide a wide range of mathematical functions useful for many technical computing applications. OSL is a library of high performance programs used to find the best possible solution to specific problems. Typical uses of OSL include minimizing production costs in blending crude oils for gasolines, reducing transportation and warehousing costs in the scheduling of vehicle loading and routing, and maximizing profits in the management of a large financial portfolio.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - New York State savings banks paid $1.6 billion in interest to savers during the second quarter of the year, according to the Savings Banks Association of New York State (SBANYS) - The figure was unchanged from the previous quarter and remained relatively steady from one year ago.

"Federal deposit insurance makes savings bank accounts of up to $100,000, within legal limits, one of the new truly risk-free investments available today," said Association President and CEO Robert O. Lehrman. That security is just one of the reasons that New Yorkers have invested nearly $100 billion in 13 million savings bank accounts statewide."

SBANYS represents an industry of 82 savings banks with approximately $140 billion in assets, employing 35,000 people in 1,000 branches, offices and subsidiaries statewide. It is the largest organization representing savings banks in New York State.

CONTACT: Richard Mulieri of Howard J. Rubenstein Associates, Inc., 212-489-6900 for Savings Banks Association of New York State.

-30- 1241

#90248p1313 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CONN. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - United Parcel Service (UPS) has begun testing a new package encoding system that provides greater information density than traditional bar coding and which can be read by a scanner while moving rapidly on a conveyer belt.

Called the UPSCODE(SM) system, the UPS-designed code contains approximately 100 alphanumeric characters on a one-inch-square label. Its 888 information-carrying cells are arranged in a honeycomb pattern and contain all pertinent customer shipping information (consignee name and address, handling instructions, invoice and package tracking number). A bull's eye pattern in the center of the label allows a special scanner to locate the UPSCODE label information on UPS packages as they move along conveyer belts at speeds of up to 500-feet-per- minute.

When fully operational, the UPSCODE system will facilitate package sorting in hubs and operating centers from entry through intermediate sort to final loading for delivery. The system is presently being tested at UPS's Lawnside, N.J., facility.

"The UPSCODE system will enable UPS to be even more efficient in package handling and will increase facility automation," said Gene Hughes, UPS Strategic Planning manager. "It will also let us significantly enhance our electronic tracking and tracing capabilities."

The information density of the UPSCODE system label is superior in many ways to traditional bar coding. Its unique design allows for complete recovery of the information even if up to 30 percent of the UPSCODE system label is destroyed.

UPS, based in Greenwich, is a worldwide company serving all 50 states and more than 180 countries and territories. With a volume of 2.8 billion packages in 1989, and revenue of more than $12 billion, UPS is the largest package delivery company in the world.

CONTACT: Alan Caminiti of UPS, 203-862-6130, or Barbara Thomas of Edelman, 212-704-8112, for UPS

-30- 2143

#90248p1316 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OHIO (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - James M. Griffith has joined The BFGoodrich Company (NYSE: GR) as vice president of public affairs.

In this position, Griffith will be responsible for the company's corporate communications, federal government relations and state government relations functions.

Griffith previously was vice president of public relations for Pepsico, Inc. in Purchase, N.Y. Prior to joining Pepsico in 1981, he worked at Newport News Shipbuilding as director of public relations and at Ford Motor Company in various capacities on the public relations staff.

He received a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Detroit in 1964 and a master of administration degree from the University of Detroit in 1968.

BFGoodrich produces vinyl resins and compounds, specialty chemicals and provides aerospace components and services.

CONTACT: Rob Jewell of BFGoodrich, 216-374-2999

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#90248p1321 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEMPHIS, TENN. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Promus Companies (NYSE: PRI), l2th in size in the U.S. hotel industry, is second in new room additions, accounting for almost 13 percent of the estimated 70,000 new rooms predicted to come into the U.S. market this year. And Promus' share is expected to rise to almost 17 percent of the 50,000 new rooms forecast in the U.S. for l99l, which may well make the company first in new room additions.

Promus' three hotel brands--Embassy Suites serving the upscale all suite market, Homewood Suites the extended stay market, and Hampton Inn the moderately priced segment--will add about 8,800 newly constructed rooms this year and some 8,400 in l991. Additionally in l990 and l991, Hampton Inn expects to convert each year to its banner some l2-l5 hotels now affiliated with other brands, which will mean further growth in its rooms. Embassy Suites will add l3 and l2 new hotels in l990 and l99l respectively, Homewood Suites l4 new hotels each year and Hampton Inn 40-50 hotels (including conversions) each year.

Total room additions, both new and from conversions, represent an average l6 percent annual growth rate for the Promus brands over the two-year period, with the company expected to total some 68,000 rooms by year end l991. Industry capacity growth is forecast at only 2.4 percent in l990, declining to l.9 percent in l991.

The decline in the number of new hotel rooms annually nationwide--down sharply from 107,000 in l987--reflects a market overbuilt in some segments

but now in the process of correction. For the fifth straight year, growth in customer demand exceeds the growth in supply. In fact for the first six months of 1990 demand growth of about 5 percent exceeded capacity growth of less than 3 percent.

Geographically, most of the Promus hotels under construction are located in the East, Southeast, West and Upper Midwest. Embassy Suites has 100 hotels currently operating nationwide, Hampton Inn 231 hotels, and Homewood 14 hotels. Embassy was founded in 1983, Hampton in 1984 and Homewood in 1988.

Besides Embassy, Hampton and Homewood, The Promus Companies operates Harrah's, the only gaming company with casino hotels in all five major U.S. markets.

CONTACT: Bob Brannon of The Promus Companies, 901-762-8630

-30- 2504

#90248p1324 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

OWENSBORO, KY. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Grace Specialty Chemicals Co., a unit of W. R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA), today announced that it will install a thermal combustion system at its Organic Chemicals Division plant in Owensboro, Kentucky which is expected to reduce emissions of butadiene by more than 90 percent.

The latex polymer production facility's emissions are currently within federal and state regulations, but the company is going beyond compliance to better protect the environment. The new system will convert butadiene into harmless carbon dioxide and water. It is expected to be operational by the middle of next year.

Products manufactured at the Owensboro facility include coatings and adhesives as well as saturants for textiles and nonwovens. "Installing this new system will have a tremendously beneficial impact on the environment," according to Edward G. Najjar, president of Grace's Organic Chemicals Division. "We are also studying whether or not it is feasible for this system to reduce other plant emissions as well," he added, "thus attaining multiple reductions."

The company continually monitors new methods to reduce emissions. Recently a recycling system was installed here at the Polyfibron Division plant to reduce hexane. This new device was installed to capture hexane before it is released into the atmosphere and return it to the plant to be reused.

Grace is an international specialty chemicals company with interests in energy, manufacturing and service businesses with sales last year in excess of $6 billion.

CONTACT: Chris Tofalli, 212-819-6000, or Mallory Brown in Owensboro, 502-683-1561, both of Grace

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#90248p1327 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MACON, GA. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank South (NASDAQ: BKSO) and Georgia Federal Bank today announced a definitive agreement whereby Bank South will acquire three Georgia Federal offices.

Two of the offices are located in Columbus, Ga., and one is in Warner Robins, Ga. The agreement, terms of which were not disclosed, is subject to regulatory approval and is expected to be finalized within three to four months.

"We look forward to serving our new customers and providing them with innovative products and the highest quality service," said Jim McClarnon, president of Bank South, Warner Robins/Centerville.

Gus Evans, president of Bank South, Columbus, said, "We are excited about the new customers this agreement brings to us and are committed to earning their business with the high quality service Bank South is known for."

Bank South currently has three offices in Warner Robins and three in Columbus.

Bank South is a $5.5 billion multi-bank holding company with 140 offices throughout Georgia and in Pensacola, Fla.

CONTACT: Matt Lewis of Bank South, 404-529-4725

-30- 1256

#90248p1328 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Centel Corp. announced today that it has completed agreements to sell approximately $14.3 million of Centel Credit Co.'s lease receivables. These transactions complete the sale of Centel Credit Co.'s portfolio, which had total proceeds of approximately $55.1 million.

The company did not disclose who purchased the remaining portions of the portfolio. Centel Credit Co. had provided equipment financing to customers of Centel Communications Systems. Centel recently reached an agreement to sell its Communications Systems unit to an investor group.

Chicago-based Centel Corp., which had 1989 revenues of $1.19 billion, provides local exchange telephone service in nine states through more than

1.6 million access lines; operates cellular communications franchises that serve nearly 150,000 access lines in 44 markets in 15 states, and supplies electric power to more than 136,000 customers in two states.

CONTACT: William K. White of Centel Corp., 312-399-2735

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#90248p1333 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM (NYSE: IBM) today issued the following statement on NetView(A) Version 2 Releases 1 and 2:

Overview

NetView, IBM's flagship network and systems management product, provides a platform for automating both systems and network operations. Together with the NetView family of products and Open Network Management Architecture, NetView is the basis for a comprehensive end-to-end management approach enabling customers to manage Systems Network Architecture (SNA) and non-SNA resources and communication services and systems.

Benefits

-- Extended openness for integration with other IBM and non-IBM management applications through peer-to-peer communications and data sharing.

-- Enhanced operations support by means of new graphics and automation capabilities.

-- Enriched LAN support through synergy with newly announced LAN management products.

-- New pricing and packaging options offer flexibility for central, distributed and standalone system configurations.

NetView Version 2 Release 1

NetView Version 2 Release 1 features include new packaging and pricing, NetView Graphic Monitor Facility, NetView Bridge, NetView Installation Facility.

-- NetView Version 2 Release 1 for MVS and MVS/XA environments is scheduled to be available Dec. 31, 1990.

NetView Version 2 Release 2

NetView Version 2 Release 2 provides LU 6.2 transport capability, enhancements to the current NetView automation capabilities, and NetView Graphic Monitor Facility support is extended to the VM/ESA environment.

NetView Version 2 Release 2 runs in MVS/ESA, MVS/XA, VM/ESA, VM and VSE environments.

-- NetView Version 2 Release 2 for MVS/ESA and MVS/XA environments is scheduled to be available Sept. 30, 1991. NetView Version 2 Release 2 for the VSE environment is scheduled to be available Dec. 31, 1991. NetView Version 2 Release 2 for VM/ESA and VM environments is scheduled to be available on March 31, 1992.

CONTACT: Amy F. Arutt of IBM, 914-435-1960, or after Sept. 5: 914-642-4628

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#90248p1334 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER, COLO. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Vicorp Restaurants, Inc. (NASDAQ: VRES) today reported record earnings for its third quarter ended Aug. 5, 1990. Net income increased 62 percent to $4,260,000, or 41 cents per share, from $2,636,000, or 25 cents per share, one year earlier. Revenues rose to $93,427,000, a 10.4 percent gain over the $84,601,000 reported in 1989. It was Vicorp's 14th consecutive quarter of year-to-year operating profit improvement and its second consecutive quarter of record operating results.

"Restaurant sales growth and continued margin improvement were again the significant factors in the improvement in our results," said Charles R. Frederickson, chairman of the board. "Restaurant sales grew by 10.8 percent, the result of a 6.7 percent increase in comparable restaurant sales and additional revenue from restaurants opened during the past year. The success of new menu items introduced in 1990 continued to bolster per-person expenditures in our restaurants. Two additional restaurants were opened during the quarter, further adding to the revenue gains from locations opened since last year.

"Restaurant operating income continued to grow in the third period, increasing 22 percent over the comparable quarter last year. Contributing factors were the continued margin improvement in our California operations the overall growth in sales, and the fact that we were also able to maintain restaurant operating margins in our expansion markets despite the attendant inefficiencies normally associated with new restaurant openings."

For the 40-week period ended Aug. 5, 1990, net income also reached record levels, increasing 78 percent to $11,955,000, or $1.13 per share, from $6,722,000, or 61 cents per share, in 1989. Revenues rose 10.6 percent to $302,977,000 from $273,846,000 in the prior year's forty-week period.

Vicorp operates and franchises approximately 400 mid-scale family type restaurants under the names Bakers Square and Village Inn, principally in

the Rocky Mountain region, upper midwest, Florida, Arizona and California.

VICORP RESTAURANTS, INC.
Condensed Statement of Operations

	Twelve weeks ended	
	8/5/90	8/6/89
Revenues	$93,427,000	$84,601,000
Net income	4,260,000	2,636,000
Preferred stock dividend requirement	243,000	255,000
Earnings attributable to common shareholders	4,017,000	2,381,000
Earnings per common share	.41	.25
Wtd. avg. comm. shr. & dilutive equivalents outstanding	9,864,000	9,598,000
	Forty weeks ended	
	8/5/90	8/6/89
Revenues	$302,977,000	$273,846,000
Net income	11,955,000	6,722,000
Preferred stock dividend requirement	830,000	851,000
Earnings attributable to common shareholders	11,125,000	5,871,000
Earnings per common share	1.13	.61
Wtd. avg. comm. shr. & dilutive equivalents outstanding	9,824,000	9,630,000

CONTACT: Peter F. Doane, vice president of Vicorp Restaurants, 303-296-2121

-30- 3629

#90248p1337 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Newpark Resources, Inc. announced today that its common stock has been accepted for listing on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System. The stock will be listed under the four letter symbol NPRS, and will begin trading tomorrow, Thursday, Sept. 6.

Newpark Resources, Inc. provides environmental, oilfield and marine services in the Gulf Coast region.

CONTACT: Matthew W. Hardey, treasurer of Newpark Resources, 504-838-8222

-30- 668

#90248p1341 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Imperial Industries, Inc. today announced the appointment of Gary J. Hasbach as president of Premix-Marbletite Manufacturing Co. and Acrocrete, Inc. Hasbach brings to Premix and

Acrocrete, headquartered in Miami, over 15 years of construction building materials experience having worked for such industry leaders as United States Gypsum, Owens-Corning Fiberglas and Dryvit Systems, Inc. He has worked closely with all forms of building materials distribution channels and has actively managed such products as ceiling, building insulation, roofing products, air handling products and most recently exterior insulation and finish systems and stucco products.

Premix and Acrocrete, subsidiaries of Imperial Industries, Inc., are engaged in the manufacture of stucco and plaster products. The companies operate in the states of Florida and Georgia.

CONTACT: Howard L. Ehler Jr. of Imperial Industries, Inc., 305-477-7000

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#90248p1342 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO, CA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - General Dynamics Commercial Launch Services Inc. today signed an agreement with General Electric Technical Services Company Inc., a wholly owned affiliate of General Electric's Astro-Space Division, to launch the BS-3H satellite next April from Cape Canaveral, Fla.

The agreement was formalized at the Farnborough, England air show with Alan M. Lovelace, CLS president, and L. Ron Greenwood, vice president and general manager of General Electric Astro-Space Division, as signatories.

An Atlas I launch vehicle, produced by General Dynamics Space Systems Division, San Diego, Calif., will launch the 2,940-pound direct broadcast satellite from launch complex 36 at Cape Canaveral air force station. The spacecraft will beam television signals to small satellite receivers in Japan.

GE Astro-Space Division, located in East Windsor, N.J., will build the BS-3H satellite. Getsco was selected by the Nippon Hoso Kyokai Japan Broadcasting Corp. to provide the satellite and launch service.

The latest award to General Dynamics Commercial Launch Services brings orders for Commercial Atlas Launch Services to 24. Additionally, the company's space systems division is under contract to build and launch 10 Atlas II rockets for the U.S. Air Force.

An Atlas I successfully launched the U.S. Air Force/NASA Combined Radiation and Release Effects Satellite (CRRES) from Cape Canaveral on July 25, marking the company's first commercial launch.

Commercial Launch Services, a wholly owned subsidiary of General Dynamics

(NYSE: GD), offers a complete launch service package, including spacecraft integration, launch operations and placement of spacecraft into orbit. The Atlas family of launch vehicles is able to satisfy a major portion of the commercial launch market through the 1990s.

CONTACT: Jack F. Isabel of General Dynamic, 619-547-9000.

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#90248p1343 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Retirement Living Communities, L.P. (RLC) announced today that it has waived one of the conditions of its offer to purchase up to 60 percent of the beneficial unit certificates (BUCs) evidencing ownership in Retirement Living Tax-Exempt Mortgage Fund Limited Partnership.

RLC is waiving the minimum condition requirement which called for a majority of BUCs to be validly tendered before the expiration date of the offer.

The offer to purchase, for cash, at $8 net per BUC will expire at midnight Eastern time, on Wednesday, Sept. 12.

RLC encourages each BUC holder to tender at least 30 percent of their BUC's prior to Sept. 12, 1990.

If you have already tendered your BUCs, no further action is required. If you have not tendered your BUCs and wish to do so, you must comply with the procedures for tendering set forth in the offer to purchase and related documents by midnight on Wednesday, Sept. 12, 1990. Registered owners of BUCs may tender directly to Service Data Corporation, the depositary for the tender offer. Beneficial owners must contact their nominee (brokerage firm) for assistance in tendering.

CONTACT: Brian Maddox of Georgeson & Company, 212-246-2981, for Retirement Living Communities.

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#90248p1352 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Effective Sept. 4, Prudential-Bache Strategic Income Fund, Inc. (formerly the Prudential Strategic Income Fund Inc.) commenced a continuous public offering of its shares as an open-end investment company. The fund previously operated as a closed-end investment company and its shares were traded on the New York and Pacific stock exchanges.

Shareholders who held shares of the fund prior to its conversion to an

open-end fund will continue to hold the same number of shares. Shareholders can purchase and redeem shares of the fund at the then-current net asset value plus a front-end sales charge and a minimal distribution fee. A redemption fee payable to the fund not to exceed 2 percent will be imposed on all redemptions during September and October.

As an open-end investment company, the fund will continue to pay monthly dividends of net investment income, the amount of which will vary depending on changing market conditions. The fund currently expects to pay monthly dividends of $.065 per share, which represents a reduction from the fund's prior $.08 per share level.

Prudential-Bache Strategic Income Fund, Inc. is an open-end management investment company which allocates its assets among different sectors of the world's bond markets, primarily U.S. government bonds, foreign government bonds and high-yielding, lower-economy U.S. corporate bonds.

CONTACT: Steve Fisher, 212-214-1596, for Prudential-Bache Strategic Income Fund

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#90248p1354 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - GTE Telecom's Network Management and Control (NM&C) organization has been selected to provide network-management software, computer hardware and consulting services for the State of California's CALNET project. CALNET is California's integrated voice and data-telecommunications network that will replace the state's 28- year-old analog telephone network.

GTE Telecom will install its portion of the project in three phases over 30 months. It will provide CALNET with two sophisticated computer systems, Network Management and Control Center (NMCC) applications software, 22 enhancements, and 14 months of consulting services throughout CALNET's implementation.

The network's status will be displayed on 15 alarm-monitoring work stations employing NMCC high-quality graphics.

GTEL, an unregulated subsidiary of GTE Telephone Operations/West Area in California, is the prime contractor and team leader on the $67- million, 10-year contract with the State of California's Department of General Services. Northern Telecom, Rockwell and IBM are also working on the CALNET project. GTEL will coordinate and manage overall implementation, including installation of switching equipment, fiber technology, transmission media and alarm-monitoring equipment.

When completed, the system will consist of three major network-switching

centers in Sacramento, San Francisco and Los Angeles. The Sacramento center will operate NMCC software applications on a Tandem computer.

GTE Telecom's NM&C operation provides automated, centralized network-management and control products for local and state government, commercial accounts and carrier markets.

GTE Telecom is a subsidiary of GTE Information Services (GTEIS), based in Tampa.

GTE Information Services offers industry-specific software and services, publishing and marketing capabilities through its businesses.

GTEIS is a wholly owned subsidiary of GTE Corp (NYSE: GTE). GTE subsidiaries operate in 46 states and 41 countries, with combined revenues and sales of $17.4 billion and net income of $1.4 billion in 1989. GTE is a leader in its three core businesses --telecommunications, lighting and precision materials -- providing products and services worldwide.

CONTACT: Alexis May, 206-487-8433, or after 5 p.m., 206-455-0640; John G. Clemons, 813-273-4823, or after 5 p.m., 813-978-8864, or in Washington, Julia Spicer, 202-463-5206, all of GTE

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#90248p1357 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of USF&G Corporation (NYSE: FG) today declared a quarterly dividend of 73 cents per share on its common stock, payable on Oct. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Sept. 21, 1990.

The board also declared a quarterly dividend of $1.025 per share on the corporation's preferred stock, payable on Oct. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Sept. 21, 1990.

Baltimore-based USF&G Corporation, with assets over $14 billion, is composed of subsidiaries engaged in writing property/casualty and life insurance and in the sale of financial services. The corporation's principal subsidiary is United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company.

CONTACT: Kerrie Burch-DeLuca of USF&G Corporation, 301-547-3573

-30- 932

#90248p1358 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Effective today, Midway Airlines (NYSE: MDW) begins non-stop service to New Orleans International Airport from the carrier's hub at Philadelphia International Airport.

Chicago-based Midway Airlines has been serving New Orleans from Chicago's Midway Airport since 1985.

Using McDonnell Douglas DC9-30 aircraft, Midway operates one daily round-trip flight. From Philadelphia, the flight departs at 9 a.m. and arrives in New Orleans at 10:59 a.m. From New Orleans, the flight has a scheduled departure at 11:25 a.m., with an arrival in Philadelphia at 3:10 p.m.

New Orleans becomes Midway's twentieth non-stop destination from Philadelphia since the inauguration of the hub on Nov. 15, 1989. With the addition of the New Orleans flight, the number of daily departures increases to 61.

John P. Tague, senior vice president of marketing and planning for Midway Airlines, said that the introduction of service to New Orleans is in keeping with the airline's philosophy to provide service to the popular destinations along the Eastern seaboard.

Midway's schedule to New Orleans has been designed to provide convenient connections through Philadelphia for passengers who originate or who are destined to any of the eight northeastern cities that Midway now serves. In general, passengers on southbound flights departing at approximately 7 a.m. from Boston; Albany, Buffalo and Rochester, N.Y.; Providence, R.I.; Hartford/Springfield, Conn.; and Montreal and Toronto in Canada can conveniently connect in Philadelphia with the 9 a.m. flight to New Orleans. Passengers can depart New Orleans on Midway's 11:25 a.m. flight and connect at approximately 4 p.m. to northbound flights in Philadelphia.

Introductory fares will be in effect for travel starting today through Oct. 15. They include a $99 one-way, non-refundable coach fare; a $139 one-way, unrestricted coach fare; and a $149 one-way, unrestricted first class fare.

Midway Airlines offers coast-to-coast service from its hubs at Chicago's close-in Midway Airport and Philadelphia International Airport. Midway Airlines and its wholly owned subsidiary, the Midway Commuter, serve 59 destinations in the United States, Canada, U.S. Virgin Islands and the Bahamas.

CONTACT: Laura A. Podlesny of Midway Airlines, 312-838-4823

-30- 2554

#90248p1364 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Varity Corporation (NYSE: VAT) said today that a subsidiary has acquired, at par, approximately U.S. $15 million of

Kelsey-Hayes 13.25 percent subordinated notes due 1992 in the past few days. The notes, guaranteed by Varity, were issued in 1989 to help finance Varity's acquisition of Kelsey-Hayes, of Romulus, Mich., a major supplier of automotive components.

Varity announced at its annual meeting of shareholders July 30, that it intended to start reducing the long-term debt of Kelsey-Hayes before the end of the current fiscal year. Neil D. Arnold, senior vice president and chief financial officer, said Varity wants to reduce corporate debt by $150 million in fiscal 1990 as a key element of its program to increase value for shareholders.

CONTACT: J.R. Nowling of Varity, 416-593-3773

-30- 1016

#90248p1365 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARTINSBURG, WV (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Mary G. Poorman, president, and K. Wayne Simmons, executive officer, of First National Bank of Cameron, along with Lacy I. Rice Jr., chairman of the board of Mountaineer Bankshares of W.Va. Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MTNR) jointly announced today that the First National Bank of Cameron had executed a definitive agreement providing that the bank will become a subsidiary of Mountaineer Bankshares of W.Va. Inc., as part of a cash transaction.

Brent D. Robinson, president of Mountaineer, commented, "We are pleased to have First National Bank of Cameron join Mountaineer. It is a bank with strong earnings and will enhance our presence in the Marshall County market."

The First National Bank of Cameron has been in existence since 1901 and has total assets in excess of $17 million and equity capital of over $1.5 million as of June 30, 1990.

Mountaineer is a bank holding company which includes subsidiaries Old National Bank, The Empire National Bank of Clarksburg, City National Bank of Fairmont, The Bank of Wadestown and Mercantile Banking & Trust Co. As of June 30, 1990, Mountaineer had equity capital in excess of $48 million and total assets in excess of $528 million. Consummation of the agreements is subject to regulatory approval. The parties plan to consummate the transaction during the first quarter of 1991.

CONTACT: Brent D. Robinson, president of Mountaineer Bankshares, 304-263-0861

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#90248p1366 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Hillsdown Holdings plc, a leading U.K. food processing company with additional furniture and real estate operations, today announced its results for the six months ended June 30, 1990. The full text of the statement of the chairman, including the consolidated profit and loss account, follows.

Highlights include: -- 13.3 percent increase in turnover
-- 22.2 percent increase in pre-tax profits
-- 2.6 percent increase in earnings per share
-- Operating margins increased to 5.6 percent
-- Food operations now account for 80 percent of total sales, 77 percent of operating profits

I am pleased to report further substantial growth in pre-tax profits by 22 percent to a record 82.6 million pounds sterling. Operating profit increased from 86.4 million pounds to 105.5 million pounds on turnover up by 13 percent to 1,879 million pounds. Earnings per share increased by 2.6 percent to 11.92p, reflecting the increased number of shares in issue following the acquisition in July 1989 of Premier Brands. Operating margins again showed an increase from 5.2 percent to 5.6 percent.

These results have been achieved against the background of an increasingly difficult market, particularly for our non-food businesses, and demonstrate once again the benefits of the balance of our operations geographically, operationally and in terms of customers and products.

Your directors have declared an interim dividend of 2p per share which represents an increase of 11 percent on the comparable figure last year and reflects our continued confidence in the group's future.

Overall sales in our food activities increased by 19 percent to 1,544 million pounds and represent over 80 percent of the group's total sales. While a comparison with the prior period is affected by the inclusion of Premier Brands' figures, strong organic growth was achieved in our overall food activities. Operating profits increased by 84 percent to 81.2 million pounds and represent 77 percent of our total operating profits.

Our major acquisition activity this year has been the merger of Maple Leaf Mills with Canada Packers in July which, with the expenditure of C$120 million on acquiring shares in Canada Packers, results in Hillsdown's ownership of 56 percent of the enlarged Canada Packers Group, the largest publicly quoted food company in Canada.

Harry Solomon, Chairman

CONTACT: Harry Solomon, chairman of Hillsdown Holdings, 011-44-71-794-0677; or Jeff Zilka or Karyn Plickert of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for Hillsdown Holdings.

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#90248p1368 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

FRESNO, CALIF. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Gottschalks Inc. (NYSE: GOT) announced that August 1990 sales increased 25.5 percent to $20.2 million from $16.1 million during the prior year August sales levels. Same store sales for the August period increased 11.3 percent. For the 30 week 1990 period to date, total sales increased 24.9 percent to $134.3 million from $107.5 million for the year earlier 30 week period. Same store sales on a year-to-date basis increased 11.9 percent over the prior year.

"Gottschalks sales results continued the strength shown in prior months," stated Joe Levy, chairman and chief executive officer. "Our strong double digit same store increase is attributable to improved merchandise selection, strong demographic growth in our market area and the continued expansion of sales in our relatively immature stores.

"We had an exceptional back-to-school period with sales of junior apparel being especially strong. Our home divisions also performed ahead of plan. We're optimistic about the third quarter given our early sales results," added Levy.

Sales results are summarized as follows:

	Sept. 1 1990	Aug. 26 1989	Total Percent Increase	Same Store Sales Increase
Sales, four weeks ended	$ 20,192	$ 16,086	25.5	11.3
Sales, thirty weeks ended	$134,251	$107,464	24.9	11.9

Gottschalks is a regional department store chain, currently operating 21 department stores and 32 specialty apparel stores and a clearance center in the Central Valley and Central Coast areas of California. Gottschalks offers moderate to upper moderately priced brand-name fashion merchandise, and is in its 86th year of continuous family management.

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#90248p1370 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARIS (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Rhone-Poulenc said today that its consolidated sales rose 7.8 percent in first-half 1990 to FF 39.998 billion. On a comparable basis, sales have declined by 5.6 percent. Net earnings per share amounted to FF 34.73 at June 30, 1990 compared to FF

40.85 at June 30, 1989, while operating income stood at FF 3.749 billion versus FF 4.685 billion a year earlier. Net income after tax and minority interests but before payment to preferred shares retreated 12.9 percent to FF 2.175 billion.

This movement in sales and operating income, announced after the first quarter results 1990, is essentially due to:

-- The full impact of the Brazilian economic austerity program in the second quarter, and exchange rate fluctuations.

The latter, particularly the drop in the dollar and the yen against European currencies, depressed interim sales by 4.9 percent.

Exchange rates will continue to affect income performance in the coming months, but the Brazilian subsidiary is expected to return to breakeven before the end of the year.

The Agrochemicals, Fibers and Pharmaceuticals divisions maintain the growth momentum built up in the first quarter. The chemicals and animal nutrition businesses, on the other hand, suffered from their exposure to cyclical demand and/or currency fluctuations.

Rhone-Poulenc also said that its recent acquisitions (such as RTZ, GAF, Connaught, Rorer...) were being integrated as planned, and that the businesses were developing in line with expectations.

The acquisition of U.S.-based Rorer was finalized in early May. Provisions set aside by Rorer through April 30, 1990 were included as planned in the acquisition costs and therefore had no direct impact on consolidated earnings.

The divestment program unveiled at the beginning of the year is progressing as planned, and capital gains on the disposal of assets have already offset the higher interest expense stemming from recent acquisitions.

All together, the first six months of the year saw lower profits for all of the major world chemicals companies. Rhone-Poulenc was able to limit its own earnings decline despite the situation in Brazil and the cost of integrating recent acquisitions. In the second half, however, a weaker dollar, higher oil prices and slower economic growth could have a greater impact on operating income.

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#90248p1373 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
ERIE, PA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Zurn Industries Inc. (NYSE: ZRN) announced today that members of the United Steelworkers Local 3199 voted on Friday, Aug. 31, not to accept a new contract with the company's steam generating equipment business.

Union members walked off their jobs at midnight, Aug. 31. Negotiations between the company and the union are scheduled. Local 3199 represents approximately 300 people out of the company's work force of over 4,000.

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#90248p1374 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Browning-Ferris Industries, Inc. (NYSE: BFI) today declared the corporation's regular quarterly cash dividend on common stock. The cash dividend of 16 cents per common share is payable Oct. 5, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 21, 1990.

The board of directors also elected Robert R. Schuldt to the newly-created position of vice president of human resources. Schuldt recently served as corporate director, human resources of Saatchi & Saatchi, Plc., an international advertising organization. Schuldt has approximately 30 years of experience in the human resources field.

Browning-Ferris Industries, Inc. is one of the largest publicly-held companies engaged primarily in providing waste services. Subsidiaries and affiliates collect, transport, treat and dispose of commercial, residential and municipal solid waste and industrial wastes. BFI subsidiaries are also involved in recycling, resource recovery facilities, medical waste services, portable restroom services and municipal and commercial sweeping operations.

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#90248p1384 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
LINDEN, NJ (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - General Magnaplate Corporation (NASDAQ: GMCC) President and COO Candida Aversenti today announced financial results for fiscal 1990 showing gross revenues reaching the record level of $10.3 million, a 6.2 percent increase over fiscal 1989. Reflecting charges for acquisitions, and for other costs in connection with operational changes at existing facilities, earnings per share were 35 cents, down 11 cents from the previous year.

In announcing the results, Aversenti restated General Magnaplate's intention to use the corporation's financial strength and flexibility to invest in the corporation's future. "General Magnaplate's objective," she said, "is to remain the market leader in advanced surface engineering and surface enhancement." She stated that continued expansion and diversification will position the corporation for both short-term and long-term growth and "allow us to make our coating technologies available throughout the world by licensing and/or joint ventures."

"As we look back on fiscal 1990," Aversenti said, "we see many concrete examples of our continued growth. In March and May, for instance, we achieved our first-ever $1 million monthly sales. And for 1990 we were listed in the August issue of Financial World's 'Top 500 Growth Companies.' At a time when many corporations have sacrificed long-term progress for the sake of short-term earnings and sales performance, we have been able to invest in the future and maintain current financial strength. We followed the early 1989 acquisition of Magnaplate Service Corporation up with the acquisition of General Magnaplate Wisconsin and General Magnaplate Canada in January 1990. Both these expansions have already allowed us to take advantage of regional growth opportunities."

As a result of these actions, General Magnaplate continues to be a good investment, with a book value per share up 13.5 percent and dividend payments up 23 percent over 1989. The board of directors has voted to increase the current semi-annual dividend by 50 percent to $0.03 per share payable Oct. 5, 1990, to holders of record as of Sept. 14.

GENERAL MAGNAPLATE CORPORATION AND WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statement of Income
(Unaudited; in thousands, except share data)

Three months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Gross revenue	$2,825	$2,594
Income before income taxes	520	493
Income taxes	222	160
Net income	298	333
Earnings per share	$0.10	$0.11
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,092,844	2,990,409
Years ended June 30:	**1990**	**1989**
Gross revenue	$10,343	$9,744
Income before income taxes	1,730	2,136
Income taxes	657	766
Net income	1,073	1,370
Earnings per share	$0.35	$0.46
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,063,316	2,950,605

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#90248p1387 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Craig R. Frew, president of Western Gas Marketing Ltd., announced that the company has signed an agreement outlining the general terms for gas supply to Southern California Edison Co.

''Western Gas is committed to become a fully diversified marketer of natural gas to all regions of North America,'' said Frew. ''This sale represents a major initiative in securing a new market opportunity as part of this commitment. California is a growing market and as North America's largest aggregator of natural gas, Western Gas is particularly well suited to meet their requirements for a secure, reliable long term supply of natural gas.''

Southern California Edison is one of the largest electric utilities in North America and services the majority of southern California.

According to Frew, ''terms assure producers that they will receive prices that are competitive with other sources of natural gas into California over the life of the contract. In addition, there are assurances of high load factors making this sale an extemely attractive one for our producers.''

The formal agreements, which will be completed before the end of this year will be for a minimum of 50 mmcfld over 15 years beginning in 1993.

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#90248p1392 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Techbyte International Inc. announced today that the company will sponsor the 13th International Seminar on Schooling in Lisbon (Estoril), Portugal, on Oct. 17-20, 1990. Delegates to the Seminar are expected from Europe, North America, the Pacific Rim, the Middle East, and the Soviet Union.

The theme for the 13th Seminar is "The Changing Face of Europe: Implications for Education, New Information Technology, and the World Economy." The purpose of the seminar is to bring together a small number of educational leaders from nations around the world to discuss policies and issues of international significance in education. Last year's seminar was held in Athens, Greece, and other seminars have been held in London; Stockholm; Oxford, England; Melbourne, Australia; Munich; Paris, and Birmingham, England.

The seminar is being hosted by the American International School in Lisbon and the University of Texas at Austin, with the support of the Commission of the European Communities (CEC/DELTA Project) in Brussels.

The Mayor of Lisbon and the United States Ambassador to Portugal will greet delegates at an opening session of the seminar, and the President of Portugal, the honorable Mario Soares, will host a special welcoming reception at the extraordinary Belem Tower.

In addition to CEC/DELTA Project, participating organizations include the Portugal Ministry of Education and the Scottish Council for Education Technology.

Topics planned for the program include panel discussions and special presentations on "The Changing Face of the World Economy," "Impact on World Culture," "The Alignment of World Power in 2001," "The New Europe: East Meets West," and "How Education is Preparing Young People to Live in a High Tech Society and an Increasingly Interdependent World Economy."

Techbyte International Inc., a federally incorporated company, was established in 1984 and has its head office in Longueuil, Quebec. In November, 1989, Techbyte International (USA) Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Techbyte International of Quebec, was established in the United States, and is based in Arlington, Texas. Onyx Informatique Inc. of Montreal, a wholly owned subsidiary of Techbyte International, produces computer-based training materials for business and commercial customers.

CONTACT: William Gattis, president of Techbyte International Inc., 817-261-8487; or Dr. Nolan Estes of the University of Texas, 512-471-4080, both for the seminar

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#90248p1400 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Columbia Real Estate Investments, Inc. (AMEX: CIV) today announced the declaration of a dividend of 23 cents per share, payable on Sept. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 17, 1990. This dividend represents the results of the company's operations for the three month period ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Following the meeting, David Gallitano, chairman of the board, remarked: "The declaration of this dividend underscores the soundness of management's investment policies and reflects our continued commitment to provide a maximum return to shareholders consistent with the protection of their investment."

Columbia Real Estate Investments, Inc. is a real estate investment trust which invests in residential mortgages and other mortgage derivative products. It also has issued collateralized mortgage obligations (CMOs) through a special purpose subsidiary.

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#90248p1403 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - UGI Corp. (NYSE: UGI), a Pennsylvania gas and electric utility and national distributor of propane, reported today that it has increased the 1990 capital expenditures budget of its Gas Utility Division by 21 percent to a record $42.5 million.

James A. Sutton, UGI's chairman and chief executive officer, said the higher level of spending "is required to serve new business growth resulting from the continuing high level of construction activity and increased demand for natural gas across the gas utility's service territory."

The division operates in 14 central and eastern Pennsylvania counties, including the cities of Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, Harrisburg, Hazleton Lancaster, Lebanon and Reading. "The gas utility's original capital budget of $35 million for 1990 forecast a reduction in residential and commercial construction activity from year ago levels," Sutton said. "The downturn has not materialized."

UGI said it also plans major outlays this year and in each of the next three to four years for propane acquisitions by its AmeriGas subsidiary. AmeriGas, with wholly owned and joint-venture operations in 37 states, is the nation's third largest propane marketer.

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#90248p1404 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Seagram Company Ltd. (NYSE: VO) today reported net income of $205 million, or $2.18 per share, for its second quarter ended July 31, 1990, compared with $199 million, or $2.07 per share, in the previous year.

Operating income was $152 million, an advance of 8.6 percent from $140 million in the second quarter of 1989. Second-quarter sales increased to $1.4 billion, an 8.7 percent gain from $1.3 billion in the 1989 period.

For the six months, Seagram net income was $392 million, or $4.15 per

share, vs. $395 million, or $4.07 per share, in the comparable 1989 period. First-half operating income of $309 million represented a gain of 16.6 percent from $265 million in the six-month period last year. Sales for the first half were $2.7 billion, up 7.1 percent from $2.5 billion last year. Even though net income declined marginally, earnings per share increased, reflecting a smaller number of shares outstanding.

Dividend income from E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company for the quarter was $65 million, up 14 percent from $57 million a year ago. Unremitted earnings from Du Pont declined 5.7 percent to $99 million for the quarter from $105 million in the comparable 1989 period. For the first half, Du Pont dividend income was $131 million, up 13.9 percent from $115 million a year ago. Unremitted earnings from Du Pont were $178 million for the first half, a decline of 16.4 percent from $213 million last year. At July 31, 1990, Seagram held an approximate 24.3 percent interest in Du Pont.

The Seagram Company Ltd., with affiliates in 28 countries, is a leading producer and marketer of distilled spirits, wines, coolers, fruit juices and soft drinks. The company's brands include Chivas Regal and The Glenlivet Scotch Whiskies, Crown Royal and Seagram's V.O. Canadian Whiskies, Seagram's 7 Crown Blended Whiskey, Seagram's Extra Dry Gin, Martell Cognacs, Mumm and Perrier-Jouet Champagnes, Sandeman Ports and Sherries, Barton & Guestier (B&G) Wines, Sterling Vineyards Wines, Seagram's Coolers, Seagram's Mixers, Tropicana Pure Premium Orange Juice, Tropicana Twisters, Tropicana Sparklers, and Soho Natural Sodas.

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#90248p1405 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Apple Bancorp, Inc. (NYSE: APK) today announced that, as permitted under the company's shareholder rights plan, the board of directors has postponed until Sept. 25, 1990 the date on which rights under the plan will separate from shares of the company's common stock and be distributed.

CONTACT: Jerome R. McDougal, Jr. of Apple Bancorp, 212-573-8014

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#90248p1410 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - United Aviation Services (UAS) has ordered two Airbus Industrie A310-300s and committed to acquire three A300-600Rs.

The A310-300s are scheduled for delivery in mid 1994, and A300-600Rs in

the first three quarters of 1996. Engine selection has not been made.

UAS is a leasing company with offices in Paris, Geneva and New York and currently has a portfolio of 70 jet aircraft for either sale or lease.

To date, 655 A300/A310s have been sold to 78 customers.

CONTACT: Sandy Smith of Airbus Industrie, 703-834-3458

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#90248p1411 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company today reported the following sales figures:

	1990	1989	Pct. Change	Memo: Selling Days 1990	1989
Total Vehicles					
Aug. 21-31	113,799	159,211	-28.5	10	10
August	280,899	348,659	-19.4	27	27
Jan. 1-Aug. 31	2,351,276	2,593,324	- 9.8	206	205
Total Cars					
Aug. 21-31	65,153	96,783	-32.7		
August	159,469	216,717	-26.4		
Jan. 1-Aug. 31	1,348,063	1,569,154	-14.5		
Imported Cars					
Aug. 21-31	2,324	3,282	-29.3		
August	5,865	6,766	-13.5		
Jan. 1-Aug. 31	44,987	55,763	-19.9		
Total Trucks					
Aug. 21-31	48,646	62,428	-22.1		
August	121,430	131,942	- 8.0		
Jan. 1-Aug. 31	1,003,213	1,024,170	- 2.5		
Light Trucks					
Aug. 21-31	46,678	60,154	-22.4		
August	117,440	126,433	- 7.1		
Jan. 1-Aug. 31	970,910	982,694	- 1.7		

Note: Percentage changes are based on daily selling rates.

Comments: The following may be attributed to Robert L. Rewey, vice president - Sales Operations, Ford North American Automotive Operations.

"A 104 percent sales increase for Explorer/Bronco II over August, 1989 should enable Ford, for the fourth consecutive month, to capture compact utility sales leadership and widen our year-to-date advantage. Ford's share of the truck market has rebounded, due not only to the success of our new Explorer, but to the continuing popularity of the entire Ford

truck line-up, particularly our best-selling F-Series and Ranger pickups."

"As availability of the all-new 1991 Ford Escort and Mercury Tracer models improves, growing numbers of consumers are recognizing their exceptional value and sales are gaining momentum. (In the third 10 days of August, their daily selling rate was 79 percent higher than in the first 10 days.) Accordingly, we are confident that Ford's car market share will improve over the balance of the year, following the upturn in our truck market share already in evidence."

"Geo-political uncertainties translate into even greater uncertainties about the outlook for the U.S. economy in the months ahead. Thus far, however, consumers seem to be taking a wait and see attitude and the automotive market has been much more stable than might have been expected under the circumstances. Although, as one would expect, dealers in communities where the local economy depends on nearby military installations report that their sales are off sharply, we are not seeing any dramatic shift in either retail volume or mix on a national basis as a result of the Persian Gulf situation."

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#90248p1412 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Prodigy, the interactive computer service test-marketed a year ago in major cities including South Florida, today will launch the first and only national system available for a low, flat fee. Now 60 million Americans will have access to more than 800 services and features of Prodigy for the price of a local phone call.

More than 450,000 Prodigy subscribers currently use the easy, videotext service to shop without leaving their homes, read up-to-the-minute news, and communicate with other subscribers via bulletin boards and electronic mail. The Prodigy Services Company is a joint venture of IBM-Sears formed in 1988.

Prodigy can be used to electronically link families across the country or unite people in a community as issues of major concern or interest arise. For instance, with the Iraqi crisis, a Seattle woman asked other Prodigy subscribers for a cookie recipe that would hold up well under the duress of being shipped overseas to her son. Not only did she receive a batch of cookie recipes but the idea has taken on a life of its own. Operation Cookie, as the project has come to be called, was started by an Orlando woman responding to the original request who offered to serve as the central point to airship cookies to the Middle East through an Air Force connection.

Also in South Florida, residents with Prodigy are able to get past busy phone lines to check on the well being of relatives in Gainesville, Fla. by using Prodigy's electronic bulletin board to send and receive messages.

We can arrange for members of your media staff to see and try the newly expanded service themselves, or arrange an interview with a local family or resident using Prodigy. To arrange an interview or for further information, please contact Marie Correa at 305-576-5700.

CONTACT: Marie Correa of Hank Meyer Associates, 305-576-5700, for Prodigy Services Company

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#90248p1414 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - In addition to its national announcement, Prodigy Services Company unveiled today an expanded lineup of local news, weather and sports for its South Florida members. Among the services and features are:

-- Three-day weather forecasts for the Miami/Fort Lauderdale area, updated throughout each day.
-- Southeast news, where summaries of the top stories are updated throughout the day.
-- The latest Florida lottery numbers.
-- Sports news on the Heat and Dolphins. Even running summaries of the games -- as they're being played.
-- More sports coverage of local college football and basketball scores.
-- A listing of South Florida cultural events.
-- A PRODIGY service guide to Miami, prepared by service members, talking about the hot spots to dine, dance, stay and see.
-- The Mobil Travel Guide's suggestions for the best in Miami restaurants, hotels and sightseeing.

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#90248p1416 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are unit sales for the 10-day period, Aug. 21-31, for Lincoln-Mercury Division:

	Current	Year-ago
Grand Marquis	4,391	6,926
Cougar	2,157	5,322

Sable	2,546	4,164
Topaz	2,264	3,123
Tracer	2,048	2,573
Capri	395	---
Lincoln Town Car	4,056	4,713
Mark VII	709	646
Continental	2,130	1,820
XR4Ti	---	162
Scorpio	---	52
TOTAL	20,696	29,501

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#90248p1417 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENLO PARK, CA. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Arthur C. Bass, a veteran top executive in both the air line and air freight industries, has been named chairman and chief executive officer of Emery Worldwide, a CF company.

The announcement was made today by Raymond F. O'Brien, chairman and chief executive officer of Consolidated Freightways Inc. (NYSE: CNF), the parent organization of Emery Worldwide.

He also announced that Donald G. Berger would continue as president of the air freight and express delivery company.

"We are very pleased to have a person of Art's experience and stature in the transportation industry join the management of Emery Worldwide. We believe Emery to have great potential under this management team's direction," said O'Brien.

Bass, 58, most recently was president, chief executive officer and a board member of The Cooper Companies of New York. He is a founder of Federal Express and was the leader of a group that performed the original research on the viability of the Federal Express concept. He was president of the company from 1975 to 1981 and served as vice chairman from 1981 to June 1982.

In August 1982 Bass was named chairman and chief executive officer of Midway Airlines of Chicago, where he managed the acquisition and merger of Air Florida and was instrumental in the resurgence of Chicago's Midway Airport.

Bass is a graduate of Middlebury College in Vermont and did post graduate work at New York Law School. He also served four years as a pilot in the U.S. Marine Corps. He is married with three children.

Consolidated Freightways Inc. is a diversified transportation company with businesses in long-haul and regional trucking, air freight and rail and ocean intermodal services.

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#90248p1418 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Canada is introducing a special fare program between Oct. 1 and Dec. 17, 1990, which will offer flat-rate fares to customers aged 55 years or over, traveling on any of the airline's (and its connector carriers) North American routes.

The "Freedom Flyer" program is based on the number of stopovers made during one trip, with no limit on mileage. A flat rate of $575 permits up to four stopovers, five to eight stopovers costs $675, while the third fare allows up to 12 stopovers for $775.

A companion of any age can accompany the Freedom Flyer passenger at the same fare, providing that both parties travel together on all portions of a trip.

For example: a Freedom Flyer could travel Miami - Montreal - Toronto - Vancouver - Calgary - Miami for $575 on a trip that would normally cost about $1600 full fare. A six stopover Freedom Flyer would pay $675 for travel Boston - Toronto - Los Angeles - Calgary - Montreal - Halifax - St. John's Nfld - Boston on trip that could normally cost about $2100.

Reservations must be made at least two weeks in advance, with all travel segments of the itinerary booked prior to the ticket issuance. There is no minimum or maximum stay requirement provided all travel is completed by Dec. 17, 1990.

In addition to the Freedom Flyer fares, Air Canada will continue to offer discounted fares for seniors 60 years of age or over, on a year- round basis.

Additional information and bookings are available through travel agents or by calling Air Canada.

CONTACT: Steve Pisni of Stephen A. Pisni public relations, 212-982-2224, for Air Canada

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#90248p1423 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAUSALITO, CA. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Phoenix Network Inc. (NASDAQ:

PHXN) today announced that Marc L. Goyette, the company's current chief operating officer and executive vice president, has been promoted to president of the company. Goyette, 35, will assume the title from Thomas H. Bell, the company's founder, who will continue to serve as chief executive officer and chairman of the board.

Goyette joined the firm in October 1988 as executive vice president and chief financial officer. He later assumed the additional title of chief operating officer. Before he joined the company he was a senior account executive with Merrill Lynch, and before that was responsible for information resource management at the electronics division of General Dynamics.

Commenting on the decision of the board, Bell said, "This expansion of responsibilities for Mr. Goyette is the board's recognition of his importance in pursuing our objective of becoming a $100 million telecommunications company. His background in MIS, finance, and marketing have been a significant factor in the growth and development of the firm since 1988." Goyette added, "This company is poised for significant growth in fiscal 1991. In the last four months the company has submitted new orders representing over $2 million of monthly long distance usage to its carriers for conversion."

Phoenix Network is a long distance telecommunications network manager and trades on NASDAQ under the symbol PHXN.

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#90248p1426 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Peerless Mfg. Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: PMFG) a Dallas manufacturer of separators and filters for the petroleum and chemical processing industries and environmental equipment today announced earnings of $1.93 per share for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, compared to earnings of $0.07 per share in the previous year.

These earnings are based on the increased number of shares existing July 20, 1990, when a three for two stock split was effected. Using the shares actually outstanding at June 30, 1990. Earnings per share were $2.90 and $0.10 for fiscal 1990 and fiscal 1989, respectively.

Both sales and earnings figures were record numbers for the company. During fiscal 1990, the company benefited from the utilization of a net operating loss carryforward, which resulted in an extraordinary credit of $0.41 per share.

Peerless' backlog of orders at July 1, 1990 was about $12,700,000 compared

to a backlog of some $10,822,000 on July 1, 1989.

PEERLESS MFG. CO.

Periods ended June 30;	1990	1989
Sales	$ 25,886,891	$ 14,431,862
Earnings before extraordinary item	2,146,826	76,006
Extraordinary item	589,546	15,229
Net earnings	2,736,372	91,235
Earnings Per Common Share:		
Earnings before extraordinary item	1.52	0.05
Extraordinary item	0.41	0.02
Net earnings	1.93	0.07

CONTACT: Donald A. Sillers, Jr., chairman of the board, or Don Newman, secretary/treasurer, both of Peerless Mfg., 214-357-6181

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#90248p1428 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. today said that Dennis J. Hess, senior vice president, diversified financial services in the consumer markets sector, has announced that he will leave the corporation to pursue other career opportunities.

Hess has been responsible for management of the company's insurance, mortgage, lending, credit, domestic banking, trust service and real estate syndication businesses, most of which he was instrumental in developing and growing as new business for Merrill Lynch. He also participated in the creation of Merrill Lynch's landmark Cash Management Account(R) (CMA), and was the creator of the Equity Access(R) account.

Commenting on his decision, Hess said, "My more than 20 years at Merrill Lynch have been highly rewarding, and I've enjoyed the chance to contribute to the growth of a great company. However, I have decided that now is the appropriate time in my career to seek new challenges through the pursuit of other business opportunities."

Daniel P. Tully, president and chief operating officer, and John L. Steffens, president of consumer markets, said, "Dennis has made valuable contributions to many initiatives which have expanded the range of financial services we provide to our clients. We have benefited from his creativity and management skills, and while we're sorry to see him go, we understand his desire at this time to move on to new endeavors, We wish him well."

Hess joined Merrill Lynch's investment banking division in 1969, and was named vice president of diversification and development of Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. in 1976. Prior to his current position, he was president and

chief operating officer of Merrill Lynch Realty, which was sold last year to Prudential Insurance Company.

CONTACT: Fred Yager of Merrill Lynch, 212-449-7355

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#90248p1430 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. (AMEX: TDS) has declared a third quarter dividend of $.07 per share on outstanding common and Series A common shares. This dividend is an increase of 7.7 percent over the third quarter 1989 dividend. The dividend is payable Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 14, 1990.

LeRoy T. Carlson, TDS chairman, stated, "Your company's continued success is reflected in this quarter's dividend. The excellent progress of our telephone, cellular, and paging operations during 1990 demonstrates the continuing accomplishment of our three primary business units."

TDS's wholly owned telephone subsidiary, TDS Telecommunications Corp. ("TDS Telecom"), is increasing its customer base through acquisitions as well as internal growth. Thus far in 1990, TDS has completed the acquisition of four telephone companies comprising 5,200 access lines. As of June 30, 1990, TDS Telecom operated 77 telephone companies serving approximately 273,000 access lines in 27 states. An additional 11,000 access lines from previously announced acquisitions will increase TDS Telecom's total access lines served to 284,000.

United States Cellular Corp. (AMEX: USM), TDS's 81.4 percent-owned cellular subsidiary, is rapidly expanding its customer base and the markets it serves. TDS and USM own or have the right to own approximately 11.6 million population equivalents in 76 Metropolitan Statistical Area and 66 Rural Service Area markets. Cellular systems managed by USM served over 54,500 cellular telephones at June 30, 1990, a 76 percent increase over the June 30, 1989 level.

American Paging, Inc. ("API"), TDS's wholly owned subsidiary, is the fourth largest non-Bell affiliated paging company in the United States. API operates 30 paging systems in 17 states and the District of Columbia. As of June 30, 1990, these systems served more than 180,000 pagers, up 23 percent over June 30, 1989.

TDS is a diversified Chicago-based communications service company with established local telephone operations and developing cellular telephone and radio paging operations. TDS builds value for its shareowners by providing excellent communications services in attractive, closely related segments of the telecommunications industry.

CONTACT: Murray L. Swanson, executive vice president-finance of Telephone and Data Systems, 312-630-1900 (out-of-town media call collect)

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#90248p1431 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Division today reported the following 10-day sales figures:

	Aug. 21-31		Month-to-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Selling days	10	10	27	27
Ford	4,619	7,726	9,434	14,587
Thunderbird	2,760	6,228	7,031	14,236
Taurus	9,647	13,941	26,310	30,957
Tempo	6,641	8,902	16,081	19,831
Escort	11,968	15,249	25,221	34,522
Festiva	1,929	3,068	4,584	6,330
Mustang	4,607	6,646	11,010	14,187
Probe	2,286	5,522	8,118	13,331
Total cars	44,457	67,282	107,789	147,981
Bronco	1,411	2,929	3,427	6,083
Bronco II/Expl	8,019	5,028	20,050	9,819
Club Wagon	516	835	1,383	1,546
Van	3,997	8,003	11,272	15,726
Aerostar	5,143	7,887	14,082	17,122
Ranger	11,287	12,133	26,997	26,866
F-Series	16,305	23,339	40,229	49,271
Heavy	1,968	2,274	3,990	5,509
Total trucks	48,646	62,428	121,430	131,942

	CYTD	
	1990	1989
Selling days	206	205
Ford	76,279	79,691
Thunderbird	73,044	86,624
Taurus	217,796	245,766
Tempo	152,163	156,667
Escort	188,432	240,840
Festiva	39,377	49,757
Mustang	87,232	125,782
Probe	86,986	97,077
Total cars	921,309	1,082,204
Bronco	36,033	41,643
Bronco II/Expl	106,635	73,167
Club Wagon	14,699	17,941
Van	106,861	119,502
Aerostar	128,126	136,662

Ranger	197,557	190,214
F-Series	380,999	403,565
Heavy	32,303	41,476
Total trucks	1,003,213	1,024,170

CONTACT: Mike Parris of Ford Division, 313-446-7770

-30- 2377

#90248p1432 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Lewis Galoob Toys Inc. (NYSE: GAL) declared its quarterly dividend of $0.425 per share of depositary convertible exchangeable preferred shares. The dividend is payable on Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 14, 1990. The company's depositary preferred shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol GALPR.

Lewis Galoob Toys Inc. designs, develops, markets and distributes a variety of toy products sold worldwide.

CONTACT: Steven M. Klein or H. Alan Gaudie of Lewis Galoob Toys Inc., 415-952-1678; or Mark Burson of Burson-Marsteller, 213-386-8776, for Lewis Galoob Toys Inc.

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#90248p1436 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors dealers in the United States today reported the following vehicle sales:

	Period		Month		Calendar Year(a)	
	Aug. 21-31		Aug. 1-31		Jan. 1-Aug. 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Vehicles	167,397	215,110	398,417	485,609	3,480,943	3,620,736
Percent Change Per S/D	-22.2	---	-18.0	---	-3.9	---
Total Cars	110,905	140,744	255,128	315,106	2,305,132	2,446,078
Percent Change Per S/D	-21.2	---	-19.0	---	-5.8	---
Total Trucks	56,492	74,366	143,289	170,503	1,175,811	1,174,658
Percent Change Per S/D	-24.0	---	-16.0	---	+0.1	---

	Period	Month	Calendar Year
Division	Aug. 21-31	Aug. 1-31	Jan. 1-Aug. 31
Total			

Vehicles	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989
Chevrolet	81,134	108,165	212,840	253,884	1,872,139	1,892,626
Pontiac	27,328	27,686	56,432	59,651	465,443	486,767
Oldsmobile	18,577	29,716	38,737	59,490	367,297	428,072
Buick	19,002	21,770	41,643	52,018	358,595	377,791
Cadillac	9,252	11,771	18,732	24,336	172,359	176,925
GMC	12,104	16,002	30,033	36,230	245,110	258,555
Domestic Sales						
Cars	105,306	134,159	241,014	296,482	2,174,679	2,326,975
Lt. Duty Trucks	55,030	72,697	140,025	166,394	1,149,503	1,142,916

NOTE: 10 selling days (S/D) in the Aug. 21-31 period this year and last; 27 selling days for the August period this year and last year.

(a) -- Year-to-year percent change is not adjusted for selling days.
Comment by J.B. Fitzpatrick, vice president for the Communications and Marketing Staff:

Despite lower vehicle sales for August, General Motors increased its share of the U.S. vehicle market compared to last year -- a trend which has occurred throughout the 1990 calendar year. Also, through the first eight months of the year, GM remains the only domestic manufacturer to outperform the industry and to increase its U.S. market share for cars, trucks and total vehicles.

In the 1991 model year, GM will be introducing as many new passenger car models as Ford, Toyota, Honda and Chrysler combined and we expect to continue to increase market share due to our aggressive product programs. While present business conditions have created some uncertainty in the marketplace, we are optimistic that the environment will continue to stabilize in the weeks ahead.

Furthermore, as we approach the new model year, we believe that GM will benefit from ongoing divisional gains in product quality, vehicle designs, and customer satisfaction -- three important reasons why GM has strengthened its competitive position.

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#90248p1439 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA, (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) today announced it will phase out its sale of appliances and close its 13 Electric Company stores throughout southeast Pennsylvania.

The retail appliance stores, six in the city of Philadelphia and seven in

the suburbs, will be closed beginning in September through late-October.

PE said that bill payment offices will be unaffected, including those locations where appliance stores will be closed.

PE said the stores represent just 2 percent of appliance sales in the Philadelphia region and their continued operation is not compatible with emerging strategies for the future of the company.

Joseph F. Paquette Jr., PE chairman and chief executive officer, said "the appliance stores do not fit in with our emerging strategic plan for the future, which is to concentrate on our core business of supplying reliable electric and gas to our customers."

Paquette said there should be no layoff of any of the 57 regular employees at The Electric Company stores. Some are eligible for the company's early retirement program, and the company will attempt to find new positions for those who elect to remain.

The stores also employ approximately 40 persons on an as-needed basis. Some of those workers may be reassigned in other positions with PE or the company will assist them in attaining new jobs elsewhere.

The store closings are not expected to have any financial effect on the company's earnings, Paquette said.

The Electric Company locations are:

In Philadelphia: 2301 Market St., Center City; 2009 S. Broad St., South Philadelphia; 1819 E. Allegheny Ave., Kensington; 55 W. Chelten Ave., Germantown; 535 Adams Ave., Rising Run; and 3501 N. Broad St., North Philadelphia.

In the suburbs: 828 Lancaster Ave., Bryn Mawr; Willow Grove Shopping Center; Plymouth Meeting Mall; 3211 Lincoln Hwy., Thorndale; Fourth & Merion streets, Bridgeport; 76 S. 69th St., Upper Darby; and 18 E. Fifth St., Chester.

PE said the suburban stores will be phased out first.

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#90248p1443 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOMERS, N.Y. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Pepsi-Cola Company today announced it has signed a worldwide sponsorship and advertising agreement with one of the hottest pop entertainers on today's music scene: MC Hammer, whose 5

million plus-selling LP "Please Hammer Don't Hurt 'Em" has topped pop charts for 13 consecutive weeks -- making it the best-selling album of the year.

To announce the association between the current King of Pop and Pepsi-Cola a special montage commercial, featuring MC Hammer's high-stepping, fleet-footed dancing, will be broadcast during MTV's Music Video Awards on September 6 (9 p.m. EDT).

In addition, MC Hammer, a.k.a. Stanley Kirk Burrell, will appear in future Pepsi-Cola television and radio advertisements, to air nationally and in local markets. Pepsi expects to begin filming its first MC Hammer spot later this fall.

Beginning this fall, Pepsi-Cola will be official sponsor of the MC Hammer Tour, which travels throughout the U.S., Europe, Asia and Australia. The concert tour, which kicks off on September 18 in Omaha, Neb. will be promoted through on-air announcements on worldwide MTV network.

"Pepsi-Cola Company has an established tradition of signing multi-talented performers who are a step ahead of the times," said John Moorhead, vice president, marketing services. "We're pleased that MC Hammer will continue that legacy with us."

Hammer also appears as a role model-spokesperson in Pepsi-Cola's 1990-91 national School Assembly Program, a multi-media presentation annually reaching an estimated three million youths with an anti-drug/ stay-in-school message. "In addition to being an exciting performer, MC Hammer speaks a message worth promoting: that our society needs to focus its energies on nurturing and educating our children," Moorhead said.

The 27-year-old performer has taken the music world by storm. His recent single, "U Can't Touch This," entered the charts higher than any single since "We Are The World." Hammer's flamboyant live act -- relying on a 30-member troupe that includes a live band, 10 backup singers and 15 dancers -- has been hailed by critics as one of the most exciting and energetic stage shows of recent years.

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-30- 2483

#90248p1444 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUNDERDALE, FL (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Gus Boulis, chairman of the board of QSR, Inc. (NASDAQ: QSRI), the United States franchisor of Miami Subs restaurants, announced today the appointment of C. Ronald Petty to the position of president and chief executive officer. In this capacity, Boulis and Petty will be overseeing the rapid expansion of the Miami Subs

concept.

Prior to joining the company, Petty was president and chief operating officer, of Burger King Corporation. In this position, he had responsibility for the operation of over 5,000 restaurants nationally. During his 12 years at Burger King, Petty also served in the capacities of president of international, vice-president of European operations, senior vice-president of development and vice-president of real estate. Before coming to Burger King, Petty was with McDonalds Corporation and Mobil Oil Corporation.

Petty was quoted, "I am excited about the growth prospects of the Miami Subs restaurant concept. It is positioned for the 90's with variety of menu including hot and cold subs, gyros, broiled chicken, hamburgers, salads, desserts and beer. It is a fun concept with great visible appeal from the street."

Miami Subs was founded by Boulis. Currently there are 46 restaurant units in operation in Florida.

Last week, the company announced the acquisition of the exclusive rights to develop, operate and franchise the Miami Subs restaurant concept throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Brion Foulke, director of QSR, 305-772-4224, or Mark Starr, 212-661-8030 (after 7 p.m. 516-783-4391), or Stephanie Rohlin, 312-266-7800, both of The Financial Relations Board for QSR

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#90248p1445 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAGINAW, MICH. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Wolohan Lumber Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: WLHN) said its sales for August were up 10.0 percent to $29,963,000 from $27,235,000 for August 1989. Same store sales were up 3.0 percent.

Eight-month sales were up 10.5 percent to $200,979,000 from $181,906,000 for the same period of 1989. Same store sales were up 4.5 percent.

Wolohan Lumber Co. is a publicly held company operating 51 lumber and building material retail stores in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Missouri and Wisconsin.

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#90248p1446 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA, (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) announced today that it is investing almost $3.3 million to upgrade sections of its St. Louis Line, which links Indianapolis and St. Louis.

The work, which began in July and is scheduled to be completed this fall, is part of Conrail's capital program for 1990. It includes the installation of 26,300 crossties and the surfacing (raising and smoothing) of 87 miles of supporting railbed.

The 237-mile St. Louis Line is Conrail's route for freight shipments to and from the St. Louis area, and for shipments interchanged with other railroads at St. Louis. Traffic handled by Conrail trains on the St. Louis Line includes: appliances, auto parts, new automobiles, processed foods, chemicals and petrochemicals, fresh fruits and vegetables, furniture, grain and grain products, iron and steel products and other manufactured goods. In addition, the line is used by Conrail's high-speed high-priority intermodal trains, which carry a wide variety of consumer products.

"Conrail's capital program enables us to provide safe, reliable and customer responsive service," said James A. Hagen, Conrail's chairman, president and chief executive officer. "Projects such as this help us maintain the sound track structure essential to Conrail's ability to compete in the transportation marketplace."

CONTACT: Robert L. Libkind or David Neurohr of Conrail, 215-977-4594

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#90248p1447 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK CITY (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Gary A. Singer, co-chairman of The Cooper Companies, Inc. (NYSE: COO) today announced that effective Sept. 17 1990, the company will release Arthur C. Bass, Cooper's president and chief executive officer, from a multi-year employment contract so he can return to the airline industry as chairman and chief executive officer at Emery Worldwide, the $1.3 billion air cargo division of Consolidated Freightways, Inc. (NYSE: CNF).

Bass, however, will continue as a director and as a consultant on acquisitions and operations to both The Cooper Companies and its optometric and ophthalmic business, CooperVision.

Singer also announced that Richard W. Turner, president of CooperVision, will be named interim president and chief operating officer of the parent corporation.

In a memorandum to employees issued jointly by Cooper's co-chairmen, Gary A. Singer and Bruce D. Sturman said,

"Art Bass has made substantial contributions to the turnaround at Cooper in helping us guide the restructuring and growth that we have experienced over the past two years. We will miss his expertise on a day-to-day basis, and we wish him well in this unsolicited and exceptional career opportunity.

Dick Turner, who has been instrumental in managing our divestitures and rebuilding our core ophthalmic and optometric business, will assume the additional responsibilities of serving as interim president and chief operating officer while we continue to pursue acquisitions in both the healthcare and other fields."

During the last five fiscal quarters, from May 1, 1989 to July 31, 1990, Bass' efforts have helped Cooper reduce its total debt from $466 million to under $75 million, increase its cash and short-term investments from under $128 million to over $175 million, and restore its operating division to profitability.

Last week, Cooper announced that for the nine months ended July 31, 1990 and including the last fiscal quarter of 1989, the company recorded four successive profitable quarters. In the current fiscal year, those nine month results include net income applicable to common stock of $2.3 million or $.09 per share on sales of $34.9 million.

CONTACT: Ken Donenfeld or Marisa Heine of D.F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for The Cooper Companies

-30- 2484

#90248p1448 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of its previously announced recapitalization plans, Bank of New England Corporation (NYSE: NEB) said today it has asked its bondholders to form a committee and select financial and legal advisors so that negotiations can begin regarding restructuring the company's $706 million in debt.

As has been publicly disclosed a number of times, BNEC management is working on proposals to improve the company's current capital position. BNEC said it expected that the final structure of the recapitalization plan would be worked out in cooperation with the bondholder committee. Goldman Sachs and Lazard Freres & Co. have been retained by the company as its advisors in connection with this potential transaction with bondholders.

"Contacting our bondholders is a procedural first step toward successful capital restructuring -- the final element of our strategic recovery plan " said BNEC Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Lawrence K. Fish. "We

have made significant progress in other areas of our recovery effort over the past six months, but it is critical to our long-term goals that we move to improve the capital position of the company."

Of the major elements of the strategic recovery plan, Fish said:

-- Liquidity had improved significantly in the wake of a successful deposit campaign; the company began lending overnight Fed funds on June 14;

-- Capital has been enhanced through a successful downsizing campaign which will virtually be completed with the conclusion of the sale of BNE-Old Colony in Rhode Island announced Tuesday;

-- The company's organizational structure has been simplified and management strengthened;

-- The company is ahead of schedule on its work force reduction program announced in April and has cut operating costs by over $15 million a month;

-- A senior credit policy officer has been named and steps have been taken to identify and handle the risks in the company's loan portfolio and to upgrade policies and procedures.

Bank of New England Corporation is a Boston-based interstate bank holding company with assets of $23 billion and banking offices in Connecticut, Maine, and Massachusetts. Its common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and is traded under the symbol NEB.

CONTACT: James Dorsey or Thomas L. Lavelle, 617-573-7733 (media contacts); or Kent D. Price, 617-573-2534 (investor contact), all of Bank of New England Corporation

-30- 2662

#90248p1453 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Louisville Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: LOU) today declared dividends on the Company's five series of preferred stock, payable October 15, 1990 to stockholders of record on September 28, 1990. Each of the dividends is for the quarter ending September 30, 1990.

-- 31.25 cents a share on the 5 percent cumulative preferred stock, $25 par value.

-- 46.5625 cents a share on the 7.45 percent cumulative preferred stock, $25 par value.

-- $2.18 a share on the $8.72 cumulative preferred stock (without par

value).

-- $2.225 a share on the $8.90 cumulative preferred stock (without par value).

-- $2.385 a share on the $9.54 cumulative preferred stock (without par value).

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#90248p1455 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Lexus finished its first sales year with a record month as August sales of the LS 400 and ES 250 reached a best-ever high, according to sales figures released today by the luxury division of Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc.

Lexus' August sales total of 6,111 was up 9.2 percent from July, the best previous month. Both models also set records, the LS 400 up 6.9 percent from July to 3,856 and the ES 250 up 13.3 percent to 2,255. Lexus sold 56,448 cars during its first year.

"It's been an excellent year," said Dave Illingworth, Lexus vice president and general manager. "Since launch, Lexus has earned both media and consumer recognition, including the J.D. Power and Associates award as the most trouble-free nameplate in America. To finish with a record performance in such a competitive market, is an example of the strong acceptance Lexus has earned."

For the past 12-month period the LS 400 outsold its prime competition, including the Mercedes Benz 300-series and S-class, BMW 5- and 7-series (combined), Jaguar and Audi. The ES 250 topped its key competitors, including the Mercedes Benz 190-series and BMW 3- series four-door lineup.

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-30- 1402

#90248p1457 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Hyundai Motor America today announced that it sold 12,879 automobiles in the month of August, 1990.

Following is the sales breakdown:

Car Line	August 90	August 89	CY 90	CY 89
Sonata	3,308	4,074	21,794	23,714
Excel	9,571	16,478	71,627	108,726

Total	12,879	20,552	93,421	132,440

Hyundai Motor America has sold over 973,356 vehicles since entering the U.S. market in 1986. Besides introducing the new midsize Sonata V-6 and an all new redesigned version in 1990 of the award winning Excel, the company plans to introduce the Scoupe, a sporty car, aimed at young buyers seeking stylish, economical transportation, in September.

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-30- 939

#90248p1458 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK PARK, MICH. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Koepplinger's Bakery, Inc. said it has been advised by the Michigan Department of Labor that its employees and the company will receive a special safety award to be presented by Elizabeth Howe, the director of the department, on Friday, Sept. 7, at 2 p.m. This award culminates 3-plus years of effort and concentration on safety, which has resulted in a reduction in accident costs in 1989 to $3,500, from almost $300,000 in 1986, a reduction of 90-plus percent.

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Koepplinger's Bakery, Inc., 313-967-2020

-30- 743

#90248p1459 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, AL. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Three senior managers at Southern Progress Corp. were recently promoted, announced Don Logan, president and chief executive officer.

"Our company has grown considerably over the past few years, and because of that growth we have needed to reorganize our senior management so that they can fulfill their many responsibilities more effectively," Logan said.

Jim Nelson, executive vice president, has been promoted to senior executive vice president; Jim De Vira, vice president and group publisher, has been promoted to executive vice president and group publisher; and Tom Angelillo, vice president and general manager of Oxmoor House, the company's book division, has been promoted to executive vice president and chief executive officer of Oxmoor House.

Nelson, 51, joined the company's accounting department in 1965. He was named assistant treasurer in 1971 and became treasurer in 1974. He was promoted to vice president and treasurer in 1978 and was named executive vice president in 1987. A native of Arkansas, Nelson has a bachelor's degree in accounting and a master's degree in business from the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

De Vira, 56, has been with Southern Progress since 1964 and has been involved in advertising efforts for several company publications. After serving as an advertising representative for Progressive Farmer, he was named New York advertising manager for both Progressive Farmer and Southern Living in 1967. Subsequent promotions made him Eastern advertising manager for Southern Living in 1969, vice president in 1971, Southern Living advertising director in 1975, Southern Living publisher in 1983, and publisher of Southern Accents and Travel South in 1988. When Southern Progress assigned individual publishers to each of its Southern magazines in 1989, De Vira was named group publisher, and he oversees the overall advertising strategy for these publications. A New Jersey native, he is a graduate of Colby College in Maine.

Angelillo, 38, joined Southern Progress in 1976 as book fulfillment manager in the company's computer and fulfillment center, Media Services. In 1979, he transferred to Oxmoor House as direct mail manager, and he was promoted to manager of the book division in 1980. Three years later, he became vice president and general manager of Oxmoor House. Angelillo has a bachelor's degree from Washington and Lee University in Virginia. He is a native of New Jersey.

Based in Birmingham, Ala., Southern Progress is a subsidiary of Time Publishing Ventures Inc. It is the nation's largest regional publisher of magazines and books.

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#90248p1460 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HICKSVILLE, NY (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - With its consolidation and restructuring period behind it. Metro Tel Corp. (NASDAQ: MTRO) saw marginal profits from operations in the year ended June 30, 1990. However, management, looking for a clean sweep of deterrents to anticipated continuing near and long term profits, chose to write off a large portion of unprofitable and discontinued product line inventories at the fiscal 1990 year end.

For fiscal 1990, the manufacturer of telephone system test equipment and peripheral telephone equipment today reported sales of $4,919,630 and a loss of $143,727 or $.08 per share. This compared with sales last year of $5,441,686 and net earnings of $97,483 or $.04 per share. Reflected in the earnings and loss per common share for each of those years are dividends of $25,200 on the redeemable preferred stock.

Venerando J. Indelicato, Metro Tel president, said the company was disappointed with revenues for fiscal 1990 but pleased with its positive

direction in recent months. He explained that the writeoff rid the company of a large portion of unprofitable products acquired with the acquisition several years ago of Buscom Systems. Further, in the writeoff the company also shed inventories of discontinued and obsoleted Metro Tel products.

Indelicato said that the revenue decline in fiscal 1990 was due primarily to inclusion of large overseas order shipments in the fiscal 1989 second quarter. The contract, completed in 1989, inflated that year's revenue status. Second, revenues early in fiscal 1990 were negatively impacted by the long, but now settled, telephone workers' strike.

"By and large, revenues from our day-to-day business held up. Sales gains in our transmission test equipment line offset the decline in revenues from certain of our other products. We look for continued improvement and growth in this current year and beyond," Indelicato said.

METRO TEL CORP.
(NASDAQ: MTRO)
Audited Results

Year ended June 30:	1990	1989
Sales	$4,919,630	$5,441,686
Earns. (loss) bef. income taxes	(264,727)	131,483
Provision for income taxes	(121,000)	34,000
Net earnings (loss)	(143,727)	97,483
Dividends on redeemable preferred stock	25,200	25,200
Net earns. applic. to common stock	(168,927)	72,283
Earnings per common share	$(.08)	$.04
Wgt. average shares outstanding	2,004,046	2,004,046

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - General Leisure Corporation (''GLC'') today announced that its unaudited financial results for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, will reflect after- tax earnings of approximately $401,000 or $0.07 per share. GLC's revenues, including its share of revenues of non-consolidated corporations, reached $16.8 million. Both revenues and earnings for the year ended June 30, 1990, represent record highs for GLC.

GLC continues to grow at a rapid rate with current sales of over $2,500,000 per month. Based on these sales, GLC expects revenues in excess of $30,000,000 and pre-tax profits of $2,000,000 for the 1991 fiscal year.

These assumptions do not include revenues and earnings expected from GLC's high technology subsidiary corporation, Bertonee Inc.

Lawrence G. Ryckman, chairman of the board, stated that: ''We are very pleased with the growth and performance of GLC's subsidiary corporations, which have surpassed our previous expectations. Our electronics subsidiary corporation, Bertonee, with its proprietary neon and fluorescent consumer and commercial lighting products is expected to be the major contributor to GLC's revenues and profits in the future. Product sales from current orders are scheduled to begin in the last quarter of 1990.''

GLC also wishes to announce that its board of directors has resolved to make application for additional stock exchange listings in Canada and the United States.

GLC is a diversified Alberta based public corporation listed on The Alberta Stock Exchange (GLM.A) with interests in the electronics, electrical contracting, food, hardware and medical supplies industries.

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#90248p1474 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGTON HILLS, MI (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - First State Bank and Trust in Port Lavaca, Texas, announced that it has assumed the deposits and acquired certain assets of Bay City Bank in Bay City, Texas, as of Aug. 30 1990, in an FDIC-assisted transaction.

First State Bank and Trust is an affiliate of Michigan National Bank, Michigan National Corporation's principal subsidiary. The announcement was made by John Faubion Jr., president, First State Bank and Trust.

Bay City Bank, with approximately $75 million in deposits, will become a branch of First State Bank and Trust. Specific terms of the transaction were not disclosed. The acquisition was approved by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

Commenting on the transaction, Faubion said, "We are extremely pleased to establish a presence in Bay City. The Bay City area is a strong economic market, well diversified and offers First State Bank and Trust an ideal opportunity to expand its business. First State Bank and Trust's strong capital position can easily support the addition of the Bay City office. This transaction should be helpful to First State Bank and Trust in increasing earnings, and we are encouraged with the opportunity to enter into a deposit base from a long-established bank in Matagorda County -- individual, business and public funds. We expect to be very active lenders in this market, and we are eager to bring our commitment to

providing quality service to Bay City and Matagorda County residents.

Michigan National Corp. (OTC: MNCO) is a diversified financial services corporation with total assets of $11.6 billion. It is a bank holding company and a savings and loan holding company.

Michigan National Corporation's principal subsidiary, Michigan National Bank, has 200 branches throughout Michigan and operates the state's largest automated teller machine network. Among its other affiliates are: Beverly Hills Federal Savings Bank which operates six branch offices in Southern California; First State Bank and Trust in Port Lavaca; Independence One Mortgage Corporation, which originates residential mortgages through 28 offices in 12 states; Independence One Investment Services Corporation which provides investment services through its two subsidiaries; Morrison Asset Management, Inc., Pattern Recognition Investment Management (PRIMA) Corporation; Independence One Brokerage Services, Inc., which offers brokerage services for stocks, bonds, mutual funds, unit investment trusts, government securities and other investments; and Independence One Financial Services, Inc., a commercial lender serving small businesses in the Northeast. Michigan National Corporation has its headquarters in Farmington Hills.

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#90248p1475 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

KINGWOOD, TX (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Yesterday the board of directors of Enex Resources Corp. (NASDAQ: ENEX) declared a dividend distribution of one common stock purchase right (a "right") for each outstanding share of the company's common stock. Each right will entitle shareholders to buy one share of common stock at an exercise price of $12. The rights will be exercisable only if a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of the company's common stock or announces a tender offer, the consummation of which would result in ownership by a person or group of 20 percent or more of the common stock.

The rights are designed to assure that all of Enex Resources' shareholders receive fair and equal treatment in the event of any proposed takeover of the company, to guard against partial tender offers, open market accumulations and other abusive tactics to gain control of the company without paying all shareholders a premium value and to enable all of the company's shareholders to realize the long-term value of their investment.

Gerald B. Eckley, president and chief executive officer of Enex Resources Corp. stated, "The rights will not prevent a takeover, but should

encourage anyone seeking to acquire the company to negotiate with the board prior to attempting a takeover." Eckley added that while the board is not aware of any takeover threat or effort to acquire control of the company, it believes that in the current environment the rights represent a sound and reasonable means of safeguarding its shareholders' interests.

If the company is acquired in a merger or other business combination transaction, each right will entitle its holder to purchase, at the right's then current exercise price, a number of the acquiring company's common shares having a market value at the time of twice the right's exercise price.

In addition, if a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of the company's outstanding common stock, each right will entitle its holder (other than such person or members of such group) to purchase, at the right's then current exercise price, a number of shares of the company's common stock having a market value of twice the right's exercise price. Further, at any time after a person or group acquires 20 percent or more (but less than 50 percent) of the company's outstanding common stock, the board of directors may, at its option, exchange part or all of the rights (other than rights held by the acquiring person or group) for shares of the company's stock on a one- for-one basis.

The rights will be issued on Sept. 18, 1990 to shareholders of record on that date and will expire on Sept. 4, 2000. The rights distribution is not taxable to shareholders.

Enex Resources Corp. is in the business of marketing and managing oil and gas investments, and is an independent general partner managing 30 limited partnerships with interests in more than 10,000 oil and gas wells.

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#90248p1481 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALO ALTO, CA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - At a press conference today, Ashton-Tate (NASDAQ: TATE) announced PowerStep, the company's new spreadsheet software for NeXT machines. Designed specifically for the NeXT platform using NeXT's Interface Builder, PowerStep includes such features as 3-D graphics, voice annotations, spreadsheet publishing capabilities and an intuitive, easy-to-use graphical user interface.

PowerStep is in beta test now; availability and pricing were not announced.

At the press conference, Bill Lyons, Ashton-Tate's president and chief operating officer, said, "The combination of NeXT and PowerStep will offer customers the power and ease-of-use that maximizes their productivity.

PowerStep takes full advantage of the graphical and audio output capabilities offered by NeXT machines, so our customers can benefit from these leading edge capabilities."

Added Steve Jobs, president and chief operating officer of NeXT Computer Inc., "PowerStep answers the need of a good number of our current and potential customers for a well-executed spreadsheet for their NeXT computers. PowerStep on the NeXT platform is a 'best of breed' product, with the versatility users need from a spreadsheet and the accessibility that comes from fully using NeXTStep and NeXT's Interface Builder."

PowerStep Features and Benefits. Spreadsheet Features.

-- Virtually unlimited worksheet size.
A 16,384 X 16,384 cell matrix can include financial, math, string and user-defined functions. As a result, users are not limited to what has traditionally been a smaller cell matrix.

-- Consolidation of multiple spreadsheets.
A virtually unlimited number of spreadsheets can be combined with a point and click of the mouse. This simplifies what could otherwise be a timely and cumbersome task.

-- Spreadsheet linking.
Users can call up multiple resizable windows of text, graphics and numbers and set up live links among them. This is accomplished via a simple point and click of the mouse, again saving time and maximizing productivity.

-- Lotus 1-2-3 file import and export.
Easy data import and export from this popular DOS spreadsheet eliminates data re-entry and expands PowerStep's usefulness. This is particularly useful for computers that have both DOS and NeXT computers. Graphics Features.

-- 3-D charts with live rotation.
Users can directly control the rotation, elevation and perspective of 3D bar surface charts using the mouse. This way, users can quickly and easily create 3-D charts that appear exactly the way they want.

-- 13 chart types.
These include pie, bar, high-low-close, area, line, scatter and 3D surface charts. All chart types are automatically updated as spreadsheet data changes, eliminating data re-entry. Usability features. -- Ease of use. PowerStep uses NeXT's Interface Builder for an icon-based, intuitive interface. In addition, commonly-used commands are conveniently located on the icon bar at the side of the worksheet. The result is a short learning curve, and maximum productivity for both novice and advanced users.

-- Voice annotation. Using NeXT's built-in-CD quality sound, comments can be recorded directly on any spreadsheet.

-- Spreadsheet publishing features. With PowerStep, users can combine numbers, text, charts, graphics and voice annotations on the same page. In addition, they can set page breaks, insert titles and add introductory text. This saves using a separate desktop publishing package, and provides professional, presentation-quality output.

-- WILMA programming language. Users can take advantage of 161 macro commands and 11 macro statement types; these macros can be called from within spreadsheet formulas. This macro language gives developers the tools they need to extend PowerStep's functionality.

Product specifics. PowerStep will run on any NeXT computer; a hard drive is recommended. Once the software begins shipping, it will be available through the Ashton-Tate authorized reseller network. Unlimited, free support, along with local access to the Ashton-Tate Bulletin Board System, will be included with the product.

Pricing and ship date are not available at this time. Headquartered in Torrance, Calif., Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software. The company's major product categories include database management systems, word processing, integrated decision support, spreadsheets, graphics and software utilities. Ashton-Tate has operations worldwide, with products available in 20 languages in more than 50 countries. The company also offers a comprehensive line of training and support services for individuals, corporations and government agencies.

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#90248p1487 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Kern River Gas Transmission Co. today announced it has awarded purchase orders for compressor units and valves to be used in its natural gas pipelinefrom Wyoming to California.

"These orders will give us the rest of the major equipment we need to begin construction and put the pipeline into operation," noted E.J. Holm, Kern River president. "We ordered pipe several months ago."

Solar Turbines Inc. of San Diego, Calif., a division of Caterpillar Inc., has agreed to supply Kern River four 12,600-horsepower turbine compressor units, which will be delivered next summer.

Two of the compressors will be installed at facilities to be built in Muddy Creek, Wyo., one at Fillmore, Utah, and one at Goodsprings, Nev.

In addition, Kern River has placed an order for 66 (36-inch) Cameron weld-in ball valves with Cooper Oil Tool, a division of Cooper Industries of Houston. Delivery of the valves will begin later this year, to coincide with delivery of pipe and the start of construction, Holm said.

Dollar value of the two orders has not been disclosed. The Kern River pipeline is slated to begin operation in late 1991, with an initial capacity of 700 million cubic feet per day of natural gas.

The Rocky Mountain and Canadian gas brought to California through the Kern River line will be used for enhanced oil recovery, distribution by utilities, production of electricity, cogeneration of electricity and steam, and other industrial applications.

Kern River is a joint venture of units of Tenneco Inc. and The Williams Companies.

Tenneco Inc. (NYSE: TGT) is a Houston-based, diversified company with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, shipbuilding, automotive parts, packaging, chemicals, and minerals.

The Williams Companies Inc. (NYSE: WMB) of Tulsa,Okla., operates a nationwide digital telecommunications network and more than 25,000 miles of pipelines, which separately transport natural gas and petroleum products.

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HIGHLAND PARK, MI (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are Chrysler Corporation's sales results for the final 10-day period of August.

	Total Cars				
	1990	1989	Pct. Change	Selling Days '90	Selling Days '89
Aug. 21-31	29,720	44,066	-32.6	10	9
Aug. 1-31	66,276	98,501	-32.7	27	27
Jan. 1-Aug. 31	568,057	720,767	-21.6	206	205
	Domestic Cars				
Aug. 21-31	27,549	40,340	-31.7		
Aug. 1-31	61,207	90,345	-32.5		
Jan. 1-Aug. 31	525,053	648,397	-19.4		
	Total Trucks				
Aug. 21-31	23,375	34,550	-32.3		

Aug. 1-31	58,228	77,683	-25.0
Jan. 1-Aug. 31	598,282	681,064	-12.6
	Domestic Trucks		
Aug. 21-31	23,072	33,052	-30.2
Aug. 1-31	57,480	74,286	-22.6
Jan. 1-Aug. 31	588,894	654,969	-10.5
	Total Vehicles		
Aug. 21-31	53,095	78,616	-32.5
Aug. 1-31	124,504	176,184	-29.3
Jan. 1-Aug. 31	1,166,339	1,401,831	-17.2

All changes are computed on a daily rate basis.

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#90248p1495 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Pt. Industri Pesawat Terband Nusantra (IPTN) of Indonesia and McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) have been jointly investigating the integration of the Harpoon anti-ship missile on the CN 235 patrol aircraft, it was announced today at the Farnborough Air Show in England.

McDonnell Douglas Missile Systems Co. has produced more than 5,200 Harpoon missiles for the U.S. Navy and 20 international customers. IPTN produces the CN 235, a twin-engine turboprop maritime patrol aircraft.

"This venture is the first step in opening new market opportunities for the Harpoon weapon system," said Thomas M. Culligan, vice president-strategic business and technology development for McDonnell Douglas Missile Systems. "A key to the success of the Harpoon program has been its adaptability to many launch platforms. We look forward to working with IPTN to add yet another Harpoon launch platform that will provide new customers with Harpoon anti-ship capability."

IPTN and McDonnell Douglas Missile Systems began preliminary joint studies and marketing activities earlier this year. These activities have included modifying a CN 235 to carry and successfully fly a Harpoon test shape. These tests have demonstrated CN 235/Harpoon missile compatibility.

The Harpoon weapon system is currently certified on 10 types of aircraft, as well as a wide range of surface ships, submarines and mobile land-based launchers.

Harpoon is an all-weather, over-the-horizon missile with a range in excess of 67 nautical miles. When launched from aircraft, the Harpoon's turbojet engine starts automatically and the missile descends to a

low-level cruise altitude.

McDonnell Douglas Missile Systems produces the Harpoon at its manufacturing facility in St. Charles, Mo. McDonnell Douglas has been developing missiles for more than four decades for the U.S. Department of Defense and international customers and has built more than 100,000 guided missiles.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Republic Waste Industries Inc., announced today that is has completed its acquisition of MALS Properties, a California general partnership that owns and operates a landfill in Imperial, Calif. The landfill is located on a 160-acre site of which 120 acres are permitted for landfill. The partnership also owns El Centro Sanitation Service Co., which operates four residential and commercial collection companies in the Imperial Valley area.

In announcing the acquisition, James D. Lee, Republic Waste's president, said, "As we said when we intiated this acquistion, California is very important to our company's long-term growth strategy. We believe the collection and disposal capabilities we have added with the purchase of MALS and El Centro will complement our other activities in the region."

Republic Waste Industries Inc., is a Houston-based solid waste management company that specializes in providing long-term integrated solutions to municipal and industrial nonhazardous waste problems. The company's common stock is traded over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol RWIN.

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#90248p1499 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA, (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - On behalf of the board of directors, the Louisiana Mining Corp. (Alberta: C.LMG) announces that it has acquired an exclusive option to purchase the Tyrone Extension copper project by the payment of $100,000 (US) to the project owner. This project was discussed at length in a previous news release by the company.

The company will execute the option to purchase the Tyrone Extension project during September 1990. The terms of the purchase of this project are (all in US dollars): $3,000,000 by Jan. 1, 1991; $1,500,000 during 1991; and, $1,500,000 during 1992. The company is conducting negotiations

with U.S. and Canadian brokerage houses and other major sources of mining project financing. It is expected that the funding package will be in place by the end of September 1990. This funding package will include the resources to both complete the purchase of the project as well as construct the production facility and initiate operations.

In addition, Louisiana Mining is working with another mining company to prepare for, construct and operate the production facility. This other company, also publicly traded, owns several copper projects, one of which is in production, with a second beginning production this month. The management personnel of this company are among the most respected in the copper mining industry. It is anticipated that they will build a copper production facility for Louisiana Mining at a very favorable and guaranteed price. Also, they will manage the Tyrone Extension production plant and will provide training for Louisiana Mining operating personnel.

During the recent period after the initial announcement of the change of control of the company from L. Cade Havard to Frank C. Mashburn. Company management have been working to accomplish the Alberta Stock Exchange and Alberta Securities Commission requirements to effect this change of control. These activities and the necessity to change accounting firms to ensure better service caused the company to cease trading for a brief period. All change of control activities are progresssing in a satisfactory manner and will be completed in conjunction with an extraordinary general meeting within the next 90 days.

Certain of the proposed transactions described herein are subject to regulatory approval by the Alberta Stock Exchange and will require shareholder approval.

''The Alberta Stock Exchange has neither approved nor disapproved the information contained herein.''

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#90248p1502 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The First Bank System (FBS) Foundation today announced grants totalling $233,630 in the areas of housing, education and families in need. To date, the Foundation has made grants totalling $1,456,500 for 1990.

"Grants that contribute to affordable, quality housing for people with low- and moderate-incomes have been a high priority for First Bank for the last three years," said Charles F. Riesenberg, vice president of the FBS Community Development Corporation. "Our bankers work with customers to

buy homes and finance home improvements all the time. It's equally important to pay attention to the needs of those who have never dreamed or only dreamed of a real home."

"In addition to the difficulty in finding safe, affordable housing, these families must cope with the challenge of raising their children," said Barbara Roy, executive director of the FBS Foundation. "The adult- child relationship at home, at day care and at school is important in child development. The Families in Need grants are aimed at helping parents provide a secure, healthy environment for their children."

The First Bank System Foundation complements the ongoing financial services provided by the First Banks. Foundation funds are granted to a variety of nonprofit organizations serving Minnesota, Colorado, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, Montana and Washington state. The Foundation maintains its commitment to arts and cultural organizations, education, community development and other human services.

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#90248p1506 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTOWN SQUARE, PA. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - ARCO Chemical Co. (NYSE: RCM) announced today that the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and ARCO Chemical Co. have entered into a provisional consent agreement regarding the proposed acquisition of the propylene glycol and urethane polyether polyols businesses of Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Co. Inc. (NYSE: UK).

By its terms, the arrangement permits ARCO Chemical to consummate the September 1989 agreement with Union Carbide and acquire its worldwide business in urethane polyether polyols, including operating facilities, technology and customer lists.

H.A. Sorgenti, president and chief executive officer of ARCO Chemical, said: "I am pleased that the commission has agreed to the settlement. This acquisition represents an important opportunity for our company and is consistent with our announced strategy to move further into derivatives and increase our portfolio of value-added products. Union Carbide's polyols business brings with it a solid market position and customer base. We expect the technology, Technical Center and personnel which we are acquiring to add significantly to our future business prospects."

ARCO Chemical and the FTC also entered into a "hold separate" agreement which requires the company to operate the Union Carbide businesses as a separate venture from the company's other businesses pending the settlement order becoming final and completion of the divestiture

obligations.

Also under the agreement, ARCO Chemical and Union Carbide will each pay $1 million as settlement of Hart-Scott-Rodino filing issues. This payment does not, however, represent an admission of wrongdoing by either company.

ARCO Chemical and Union Carbide anticipate closing the transaction within the next seven days.

The terms of the settlement will be published in the Federal Register for public comment for a period of 60 days. The FTC has legal authority to withdraw from the consent agreement at the end of this period.

ARCO Chemical Co. is a leading worldwide manufacturer and marketer of propylene oxide and derivatives and other inter-mediate chemicals used in a broad range of consumer products as diverse as foam cushioning, paints and coatings, packaging, and gasoline octane enhancers and emission reduction additives.

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#90248p1509 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Zapata Corp. (NYSE: ZOS) announced today that it has signed a definitive agreement to sell its offshore drilling rig fleet and related assets for $298 million to Arethusa (Offshore) Limited, a newly-formed Bermuda company. Zapata will own 8.75 percent of the new company and will continue to manage the twelve rigs under a management contract.

"The rig sale agreement is a major milestone in Zapata'comprehensive restructuring," Zapata chairman and chief executive officer R.C. Lassiter said. "The cash from the rig sale is the catalyst for the bank agreement which was announced about two weeks ago. The company can now focus its attention on a tender offer for its outstanding subordinated debentures and on obtaining necessary stockholder approval."

Zapata also announced that as the last part of its comprehensive restructuring the company will soon commence a cash tender offer for its publicly held 10-1/4 percent subordinated debentures due 1997 and 10-7/8 percent subordinated debentures due 2001, offering $480, including accrued but unpaid interest, for each $1,000 debenture which is tendered. The consummation of the tender offer is subject to the closing of the rig sale and the bank debt restructuring and the receipt of stockholder approval of the overall restructuring plan. The tender offer is expected to commence as soon as the proxy statement and tender offer documents are ready for

distribution, which is expected to be early in October.

The sales transaction is expected to close on Oct. 31, 1990. Under the terms of the asset sales agreement, Zapata will invest $17.5 million of the $298 million in gross sales proceeds in an 8.75 percent interest in Arethusa (Offshore) Limited. Of the remaining $280.5 million, $7.7 million will be used to pay commissions related to the rig sale and $53.6 million will be used to repay rig-specific debt. In addition, $160 million of the proceeds will be paid to the banks in accordance with the bank debt restructuring agreement and an estimated $14.2 million will be used to pay taxes, fees and expenses related to the restructuring plan and to provide collateral for outstanding letters of credit.

Zapata Corp. (NYSE; ZOS) is a Houston-based international company that operates a fleet of offshore drilling rigs, conducts commercial menhaden fishing operations that produce fish meal and edible oil, and produces oil and natural gas. Zapata is also the largest shareholder in Zapata Gulf Marine Corp., the world's leading operator of marine service vessels.

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#90248p1510 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

RENO, NEV. (SEPT. 5) - Porsche Cars North America Inc., distributor of Porsche sports cars, reported sales and dealer stock figures for the month of August 1990:

Model	Aug '90	Aug '89	YTD '90	YTD '89	Dealer Stock
924S/944	3	127	228	1040	10 3/8
944 S2 Coupe and Cabriolet	303	83	1,659	293	648
944 Turbo	11	86	461	527	13
911 Carrera 2 Coupe, Targa and Cabriolet	201	426	2,561	2,855	462
911 Turbo	---	89	8	915	---
911 Carrera 4 Coupe, Targa and Cabriolet	104	91	1,190	484	365
928 Series	38	53	434	562	137
Total	660	955	6,541	6,676	1,635

924S was discontinued after the 1988 model year; 944 and 944 Turbo discontinued after 1989 model year. The 911 Turbo model was discontinued after model year 1989.

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#90248p1511 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The 4th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals today upheld the dismissal of an antitrust suit filed by Sewell Plastics, Inc., of Atlanta against Southeastern Container, Inc., The Coca-Cola Company (NYSE: KO) and the 34 Coca-Cola bottlers that own Southeastern.

"The decision in this case is an important precedent upholding the legality of soft drink bottler cooperatives," said Jonathan Jacobson, attorney for the 34 bottlers. "Small and large bottlers alike need cooperatives to stay competitive in the soft drink business and this case makes it clear that the formation of a bottler cooperative is not a violation of the antitrust laws."

In its ruling, the appeals court upheld U.S. District Judge James B. McMillan's dismissal of the lawsuit by Sewell, a wholly owned subsidiary of Constar International, Inc. (NYSE: CTR), of Chattanooga, Tenn., and sent the case back to him for trial on Southeastern's counter claims against Sewell.

"We feel very strongly about the counterclaims and intend to pursue them vigorously," said Richard W. Roswech, Southeastern's president.

He said the counterclaims allege that Sewell's suit was filed in bad faith and for improper purposes. Southeastern claims Sewell engaged in unfair trade practices in connection with the law suit and asks for treble damages totaling $18 million, plus costs and attorney's fees.

Sewell Plastics filed the suit in August 1986 in U.S. District Court at Charlotte, N.C. It alleged that the 34 bottlers, aided by The Coca-Cola Company, had violated antitrust laws by forming Southeastern, of Asheville N.C., in 1982 to manufacture plastic soft drink bottles for them.

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#90248p1514 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Shippers of canned goods and processed foods between California and Florida can now save up to 90 cents per case when they use CSX Transportation Inc. and Union Pacific Railroad's new coast-to-coast rail service.

The two railroads have teamed up to provide truckload services and delivery with better-than-truck prices through UP's Bi-Modal Service and TDSI (Total Distribution Services Inc.), a companion company of CSXT.

Canned goods will be shipped from locations in California in 50-foot boxcars to strategically located TDSI centers in Florida. At the centers, the railcars -- each holding about three truckloads -- are unloaded into trucks for delivery.

"This service allows UP to provide some flexibility for those who want to enjoy the economies of rail transportation," said Chuck Ritenour, CSXT's director-food products.

Shippers who are not rail-served can take advantage of the economies of rail transportation through UP's Custom Care consolidation center in Stockton, Calif. At the centrally located facility, canned goods are consolidated and loaded from trucks into boxcars.

"Shipping by rail is now a much more attractive option when we can combine it with TDSI, consolidation services and Bi-Modal Service," Ritenour added.

For one base price, CSXT and UP will unload rail cars and load trailers, provide slipsheet-to-pallet conversion, arrange trailer delivery appointments, provide pallet exchange services, allow month-of-receipt storage and furnish trailer drayage to destination or allow customer pickup.

Services can also be customized to include recurring storage, pelletized rail care floor-loaded product, trailer detention beyond two hours, delivery to multiple points and pallet supply.

CSX Transportation Inc. and its 37,500 employees provide rail transporation and distribution services along a 19,200 route-mile rail network in 20 states, the District of Columbia and Ontario, Canada.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Sponsors of the proposed Empire State Pipeline today announced that they have reached an agreement with National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation that will result in the construction of facilities to interconnect Empire and National Fuel. In addition, National Fuel has agreed to transport certain natural gas volumes on Empire.

National Fuel will amend its pending applications to eliminate pipeline facilities which would duplicate Empire in the Buffalo, N.Y. area and to take transportation service from the Empire line. National Fuel and Empire have also agreed to mutually support their applications pending before various regulatory agencies in both the U.S. and Canada.

Designed to move an average daily volume of 150 million cubic feet of natural gas, the Empire State Pipeline is an intrastate pipeline that will run between Grand Island and Syracuse, N.Y.

"We're pleased to have reached this accord with National Fuel because we believe it will expedite necessary approvals from the Federal Board," said James F. Cordes, executive vice president of The Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP), which along with Union Energy Inc. and Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (NYSE: RGS), is sponsoring the 155-mile Empire State Pipeline.

Rochester Gas and Electric supplies electric and natural gas service wholly within the state of New York and is engaged in the production, transmission, distribution and sale of these services in a nine-county area centering around the city of Rochester.

Union Energy is a Toronto-based integrated natural gas firm with $2 billion in assets and operations in natural gas production, marketing, transportation, storage and distribution.

The Coastal Corporation is a Houston-based energy holding company. It has consolidated assets of more than $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal and chemicals, and independent power production.

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#90248p1519 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Chicago Board Options Exchange today announced it will begin trading options on Thursday, Sept. 6, on Unocal Exploration Corp. (ticket symbol UXC) and on the American Depositary Receipts of Elan Corp., plc (ELN).

Unocal Exploration explores for, develops and produces oil and natural gas in the U.S. UXC options will trade on the January expiration cycle, with introductory expirations in October, January and April. Initial strike prices have been set at 12 1/2, 15 and 17 1/2. Option Resource Group has been named Designated Primary Market Maker (DPM) in the option.

Ireland-based Elan is an international pharmaceutical company specializing in improving drug absorption and drug delivery technologies. ELN options will also trade on the January expiration cycle, with initial strike prices of 17 1/2, 20 and 22 1/2. Susquehanna Investment Group will serve as DPM in the option.

CBOE, regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, is the pioneer of listed options and the world's largest options marketplace.

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#90248p1523 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, CO. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Jones Intercable Inc. (NASDAQ: JOIN) today announced results for its 1990 fiscal year, which ended May 31. For the year, the company reported a 38 percent increase in total revenues, from approximately $65.8 million reported in fiscal 1989 to approximately $91 million reported in fiscal 1990.

While revenues showed strong growth, the company reported a net loss for the year of $22.8 million or $1.83 per share, compared with a net loss in 1989 of $24.3 million or $1.96 per share. This loss is primarily the result of increased depreciation, amortization and interest expenses relating to the acquisition of cable television systems in late fiscal 1988 and fiscal 1989.

According to Jones Intercable Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Glenn R. Jones, "The losses were anticipated and are not indicative of the financial performance of the company. Our strategy is to build revenues, operating cash flow and shareholder value in the company through expansion of our asset base. Fiscal year 1990 saw a significant increase in revenues and our asset base."

Subscriber service revenues increased approximately 28 percent, from approximately $53.5 million in fiscal 1989 to approximately $68.4 million in fiscal 1990. The increase is the result of the acquisitions of cable television systems in Anne Arundel County, Maryland and Walnut Valley, Calif. in the latter part of fiscal 1988 and fiscal 1989 respectively.

Revenues from the management of systems owned by Jones Intercable-sponsored limited partnerships totalled approximately $13.9 million in fiscal 1990 compared to approximately $12.3 million for fiscal 1989, due principally to increases in the number of managed partnerships and increases in operating revenues of such partnerships. Jones Intercable generally receives a management fee equal to 5 percent of gross operating revenues from these partnerships.

The company also receives distributions from the sale of cable television systems owned by managed partnerships. Such distributions generally represent the company's 25 percent residual interest in the net assets of its managed partnerships subordinated to certain returns to limited

partners. During the year ended May 31, 1990, Jones Intercable recognized approximately $8.7 million of such distributions from the sale of the remaining cable television system owned by one of the company's managed partnerships. In fiscal 1989, the company recognized no such distributions.

Operating, general and administrative expenses increased approximately $9.2 million or 26 percent, from approximately $34.7 million in fiscal 1989 to approximately $43.9 million in fiscal 1990, due to the acquisitions in fiscal 1989 mentioned earlier and increased satellite and programming fees.

Depreciation and amortization expenses increased 13 percent from approximately $32.1 million in fiscal 1989 to approximately $36.3 million in fiscal 1990, due to the significant increase in the company's investment in cable television properties in 1988 and 1989.

Fourth Quarter Results For the fourth quarter of the company's 1990 fiscal year, Jones Intercable reported a 17 percent increase in subscriber service fees, from approximately $15.4 million reported in fiscal 1989 to approximately $18 million reported in fiscal 1990. Total revenues increased 16 percent for the quarter, from approximately $18.7 million in 1989 to approximately $21.7 million in 1990. The company reported a net loss of approximately $6.5 million or 52 cents per share for the three months ended May 31, 1990, compared to a net loss of approximately $7.5 million or 61 cents per share in the like period in 1989. The loss is largely due to the aforementioned increased depreciation, amortization and interest expenses relating to the acquisition of cable systems in late fiscal 1988 and fiscal 1989.

Jones Intercable is one of the largest cable television operators in the United States, serving over 1.4 million subscribers, and is the world's largest cable television management company managing systems for publicly held partnerships.

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-30- 4448

#90248p1525 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, N.J. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines today announced that New York business travelers will receive gift certificates worth up to $50 for each qualifying trip they take this fall. Similar programs will be introduced in Cleveland and Denver.

"Compliments of Continental" gift certificates will be redeemable at Macy's and Lord & Taylor for any merchandise, and at Ticketron for tickets

to any performance.

A $25 gift certificate will be awarded for travel on a round-trip fare of $280 to $599, and a $50 gift certificate will be awarded for travel on a round-trip fare of $600 or more.

"The gift certificate program is another form of reward for our loyal business travelers," a Continental spokesman said. "Unlike a typical frequent flyer reward, this program gives our customers the ability to choose from a broad range of merchandise or performances, and pays dividends from the very first trip."

Qualifying travel includes round trips that begin and end between Sunday and Friday of the same week, to any destination in the mainland U.S., Caribbean or Mexico. Travel must begin and end at Newark or LaGuardia, and occur between Sept. 9 and Dec. 14, 1990.

"Compliments of Continental" gift certificates will be issued by instant fulfillment centers at the airports, or via mail.

CONTACT: Corporate Communications, Continental Airlines, 713-834-5080

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#90248p1529 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Motor Sales (TMS) U.S.A. Inc. announced today that it established a best-ever car sales record during the month of August, totalling 90,739 units.

The company also reported a new one-month vehicle sales record for 1990 with combined car and truck sales totalling 113,006.

August domestic car sales, totalled 41,798 (16,269 Corollas and 25,529 Camrys), versus 29,936 (10,560 Corollas and 19,376 Camrys) for the same period last year.

Lexus, the luxury division of Toyota, also reported its best-ever month with sales totalling 6,111.

"A good month like this is amazing when you consider all the uncertainties threatening the market," said Robert B. McCurry, TMS executive vice president. "This month's sales total will give us a car-market share of approximately 12 percent, including Lexus, up from 9 percent a year ago. That would increase our year-to-date market share to approximately 9 percent, up 2.2 points from the same period last year."

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#90248p1532 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today issued the following debenture pricing:

Date of Offering:	Sept. 6, 1990	
Price:	99.875 pct.	
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Issue Date:	Sept. 10, 1990	
Term:	7 years	10 years
Callable on or after:	9/10/94	N/A
Interest Rate:	9.15 pct.	9.20 pct.
Yield:	9.175 pct.	9.20 pct.
Amount (millions):	$500	$400
Maturity Date:	9/10/97	9/11/00
Date of First Interest Payment (then semiannually):	3/10/91	3/11/91

The debentures of Sept. 10, 1997, are redeemable on or after Sept. 10, 1994, in whole or in part at the option of the corporation at any time (and from time to time) on or after the initial redemption date at a redemption price of 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption.

The net proceeds of this offering will be used to redeem the $500 million of Series SM-1990-H, 10 percent debentures due Sept. 10, 1990, and added to the working capital of the Federal National Mortgage Association and used for general corporate purposes.

Debentures will be issued in book-entry form only. The minimum purchase is $10,000 and multiples of $5,000 thereafter. The offering is being made through Fannie Mae's senior vice president - finance and treasurer, Gary L. Perlin, and vice president and assistant treasurer, Linda K. Knight, 3900 Wisconsin Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016, assisted by a nationwide selling group of recognized securities dealers.

The issues that are offered on Sept. 6, 1990, will be free to trade at 8:20 a.m. EDT.

CONTACT: Tom Marder of Fannie Mae, 202-752-7608

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#90248p1534 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH WINDSOR, CONN. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - At the annual meeting of shareholders of Gerber Scientific, Inc. (NYSE: GRB), held Wednesday, Sept. 5, 1990, at the Sheraton Hotel in Windsor Locks, Conn., shareholders elected H. Joseph Gerber as a director to serve until 1993. Gerber, chairman of the board and president, has been a director of the company since its incorporation in 1948.

CONTACT: Robert D. Lipira of Gerber Scientific, 203-291-8745

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#90248p1540 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Kyocera Corporation's (NYSE: KYO) wholly owned subsidiary, AVX Corporation, announced today that an agreement in principle has been reached to settle the New Bedford Harbor Superfund litigation with the United States and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. AVX's liability stems from the operation conducted by its corporate predecessor, Aerovox Corporation prior to 1973. Kyocera and AVX are currently using all necessary procedures to assure pollution free manufacturing operations.

Under the terms of the settlement, AVX will pay $66 million toward the remediation of the Harbor, natural resources damage and reimbursement of the Governments' past costs. The amount of the payment could increase if the total cost of the remediation exceeds $130.5 million and for other statutory reasons.

On a consolidated basis, Kyocera will recorded an after-tax charge of $18 million in fiscal 1991. This charge is in addition to the previously recorded amounts for the settlement and anticipates a recovery of a portion of the settlement from AVX's various insurance carriers.

The settlement is subject to the negotiation of a definitive consent decree and further approvals by the AVX board of directors and the court. Kyocera and AVX believe that the resolution of this matter is in the best interest of the companies.

CONTACT: Ann H. Goettman of AVX Corporation, 212-935-6363, or
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-30- 1660

#90248p1544 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB Texas National Bank, as trustee of Sabine Royalty Trust (NYSE: SBR), today announced a cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of $0.11192 per unit, payable Sept. 28, 1990 to unit holders of record on Sept. 17, 1990.

CONTACT: Ron E. Hooper of NCNB Texas National Bank, 214-508-2400

-30- 496

#90248p1545 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T today said it plans to expand Reach Out (R) Florida, an optional calling plan which offers customers savings on in-state AT&T calls. Pending approval by the Florida Public Service Commission on Oct. 2, AT&T will modify its current Reach Out Florida plan to begin offering savings at 10 p.m. instead of 11 p.m. The plan enables residence customers to buy an hour of in-state calling during AT&T's night/weekend price period for $7.75 per month. Customers may buy additional calling time at $7.35 an hour, prorated so that callers pay only for the minutes they use. Calls during AT&T's evening period are discounted 15 percent.

For callers who want additional savings, AT&T will introduce a Reach Out Florida 24-hour Plan for $8.25 per month. The plan offers all the features of the current Reach Out Florida plan, but includes a five percent discount during AT&T's daytime price period.

The company also will introduce a Reach Out Florida Half-Hour Plan that offers 30 minutes of in-state calling for $4.15. Customers may buy additional calling time at $3.75 per half-hour, or 12.5 cents a minute. The half-hour plan also offers a 10 percent evening discount and uses the same price periods as the other Reach Out Florida Plans.

AT&T will waive the $14 sign-up fee for new Reach Out Florida customers from Oct. 2 through Dec. 31. (There is no fee to switch from one Reach Out Florida Plan to another.)

CONTACT: Julie Spechler of AT&T, 305-662-6411 (office)

-30- 1682

#90248p1548 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRAINTREE, MA. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Responding to a press release issued earlier today by a dissident group seeking to replace Grossman's current board, Thomas R. Schwarz, the new president and CEO of Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ: GROS), said "The Shidler/Holman Group's announced 'plans' for Grossman's continue to reflect their basic lack of understanding of our Company and its business. The simple fact is that the Shidler/Holman Group's refinancing idea makes no financial sense when you do a careful analysis taking into account all the costs, including prepayment penalties and other transaction costs. Grossman's has successfully cut its debt by 62 percent over the past three and a half years and we are confident that we know how to continue to build the company's financial strength. The Shidler/Holman Group's other proposal, to limit the variety of merchandise

available to customers in our stores, is a blueprint for disaster. Today's difficult retailing environment is no place for the Shidler/Holman real estate financiers."

The Shidler/Holman Group still isn't offering anything to Grossman's stockholders," Mr. Schwarz continued. "First they said that if they won control of the board they would implement a sale/leaseback deal that was full of potential conflicts of interest. Then they reversed course, said that they would not participate in any such deal and would hire a consultant instead.

They also promised to send stockholders new 'principles' they had adopted to deal with their conflict of interest problem. That was three weeks ago and we're still wondering where the Shidler/Holman Group's new principles are."

Grossman's, a major retailer of lumber and building materials, operates 156 stores in nine Northeastern states and in California.

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#90248p1550 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MAHWAH, N.J. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Jaguar Cars Inc. today reported that total unit sales for August 1990 were 1,509 compared with 1,563 during August 1989, a 3.5 percent decrease.

Sedan retail sales for the month of August 1990 were 1,147 units vs. 1,177 in the prior year's period. XJ-S sports coupe and convertible retail sales for the month were 362 compared with 386 units in the same period last year.

Total year-to-date sales stand at 12,369, a decrease of 0.3 percent over the 12,400 units sold in the same period in 1989.

Jaguar Cars Inc. is the U.S. subsidiary of Jaguar Ltd.

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#90248p1551 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

GARDENA, CA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - American Honda today reported 3rd 10-day, month-to-date and year-to-date sales for automobile sales for August, 1990.

	3rd 10 Day		Month-to-Date		Year-to-Date	
	8/21-8/31 1990	8/21-8/31 1989	Aug. 1990	Aug. 1989	1/1-8/31 1990	1/1-8/31 1989
Total						
American Honda			78,069	78,212	593,508	531,167
Honda div. ttl			65,188	63,341	495,725	432,471
Acura div. ttl			12,881	14,871	97,783	98,696
Import sales			32,905	41,233	265,973	267,280
Honda division			20,024	26,362	168,190	168,584
Acura division			12,881	14,871	97,783	98,696
Domestic sales						
Honda division	25,224	18,245	45,164	36,979	327,535	263,887
Model Breakouts By Division						
Honda div. ttl (Imp & Dom)			65,188	63,341	495,725	432,471
Civic (a)			26,245	20,747	184,778	158,918
Accord (a)			34,085	36,500	280,660	239,405
Prelude			4,858	6,094	30,287	34,148
(a)Domestic ttl memo	25,224	18,245	45,164	36,979	327,535	263,887
Civics	12,213	6,315	20,949	15,206	139,908	117,150
Accords	13,011	11,930	24,215	21,773	187,627	146,737
Acura div. ttl.			12,881	14,871	97,783	98,696
Legend			4,303	6,894	38,361	42,957
Integra			8,533	7,977	59,377	55,739
NSX			45		45	

CONTACT: Kurt Antonius of American Honda Motor Co., 213-604-2584

-30- 1871

#90248p1552 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PONTIAC, MICH. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Perry Drug Stores, Inc. (NYSE: PDS) reported today that its third quarter ended July 31 was highlighted by continued improvement in pretax earnings -- the eighth consecutive quarter of improved comparable earnings.

Third-quarter pretax earnings were $924,000, a 9-percent increase over the $848,000 for the same-quarter 1989 period.

For financial statement purposes, third-quarter net earning results reflect a provision for income taxes of $200,000. Last year's third quarter did not include a provision for income taxes due to the utilization of tax carryforwards.

Net earnings for the quarter were $724,000, 7 cents per share. Had the 1989 third-quarter net earnings of $848,000, or 8 cents per share, included a provision for income taxes at the statutory rate, net earnings

on a proforma basis would have been $560,000, or 5 cents per share.

Pretax earnings for the first nine months increased 9 percent to $6.3 million from $5.8 million in the first nine months of 1989.

Net earnings for the nine months, which also unlike last year reflect a provision for income taxes, were $4.4 million, 43 cents per share. Had the 1989 net earnings of $5.8 million, 57 cents a share, reflected a provision for income taxes, net earnings on a proforma basis would have been $3.8 million, or 37 cents a share.

"The strategic measures we have implemented, ranging from divestitures to acquisitions along with our emphasis on Michigan, have positioned Perry for even stronger future growth and profitability," said Jack A. Robinson, Perry chairman and chief executive officer.

The earnings were achieved on sales in the third quarter of $159 million compared to $164 million for the comparable 1989 period. Sales for the first nine months were $497 million compared to $507 million for the same period last year.

Robinson said that sales declined because Perry sold or closed many unproductive units in order to maximize its assets. In the third quarter sales were also impacted by the sale, early in the quarter, of 14 A.L. Price deep discount stores, a decision which was made, Robinson said, as part of Perry's strategy to concentrate on operating traditional drugstores.

Michigan stores performed very well with comparable store sales increases of 6.5 percent in the third quarter and 4.5 percent for the first nine months.

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#90248p1560 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Witco Corporation (NYSE: WIT) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 43 cents per share on its common stock and a dividend of 66.25 cents per share on its preferred stock. Both dividends are payable Oct. 4, 1990, to stockholders of record Sept. 17. This represents the 130th consecutive quarterly dividend paid since the company went public in 1958.

Witco manufactures specialty chemical and petroleum products and engineered materials with annual sales of approximately $1.6 billion.

CONTACT: C.R. Soderlind, group vice president, 212-605-3813, or S.L.

Levy, 212-605-3815, both of Witco

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#90248p1567 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARNBOROUGH, ENGLAND (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - GATX Air, a division of GATX Capital Corp., today announced its firm order for a McDonnell Douglas MD-11 long-range tri-jet and two firm orders and two options for MD-90-30s a next generation short-to-medium-range twin jet. The aircraft will be financed equally by GATX and Paris-based Credit Lyonnais.

Delivery of the GATX MD-11 is scheduled for late 1992. Its MD-90-30s are scheduled for delivery in 1995 and 1996.

The San Francisco-based leasing company recently contracted an agreement with McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) to buy the third MD-11 tri-jet produced. The arrangement has a flexible leaseback provision that will allow McDonnell Douglas to continue operation of the aircraft in its flight test program. This MD-11 is the first tri-jet with Pratt & Whitney 4460 engines installed.

GATX joins a growing list of 32 MD-11 and 54 twin-jet customers. While this marks GATX's first MD-11 and MD-90 purchase, GATX has other McDonnell Douglas aircraft in its leased fleet -- including eight DC-10s, six MD-80s and four DC-9-50s. In addition, GATX has entered into an agreement to remarket seven MD-80s owned by Air Trading 92, a financial group based in Italy.

The MD-90-30 is a significantly quieter, more fuel efficient and environmentally superior jetliner. It is 4.7 feet (1.5 m) longer than the standard MD-80 at 152.6 feet (46.5 m) and features the International Aero Engines' V2500 engine. With the added fuselage length and the increased thrust of 25,000 lbs. provided by this latest generation engine, the MD-90-30 will carry 158 passengers in a standard mixed-class seating configuration.

GATX's MD-11 is capable of carrying up to 293 passengers and baggage in a two-class seating arrangement. The MD-11 features a two-person digital flight deck and a unique interior designed to give the operator flexibility and convenience in making seasonal changes.

GATX Air currently owns, leases and provides financing and remarketing services for a fleet of more than 90 commercial jet aircraft. Since its inception in 1968, GATX Captial Corp. has arranged financing for equipment for its own account and for the account of others with an original cost in excess of $10 billion.

GATX Capital is a subsidiary of GATX Corp., Chicago, a $3 billion

asset-based services company which provides financial, maintenance, and management services related to rail, aircraft, bulk liquid storage terminals, warehousing and shipping.

CONTACT: Teri Walulik of Douglas Aircraft Co., 213-982-7605

-30- 2742

#90248p1568 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Jon R. Whitney, 46, has been elected president and chief executive officer of Colorado Interstate Gas Company (CIG), Colorado Springs-based subsidiary of The Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP). He was formerly executive vice president of CIG.

The promotion to CIG president gives Whitney overall executive responsibility for operations of the natural gas pipeline company. He reports to Coastal Executive Vice President James F. Cordes, who held the positions of CIG president and CEO in addition to his corporate responsibilities.

Whitney joined CIG in 1968 as an accountant and was elected controller in 1974; vice president and controller in 1980; and senior vice president of administration in 1984. He was named executive vice president and elected to the CIG board of directors in 1988.

He also serves in the boards of the United Bank of Colorado Springs, Colorado Springs Chamber of Commerce, Pikes Peak United Way, the Colorado Leadership Forum, the Colorado Association of Commerce and Industry, and the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo. He is a native of Ft. Collins and a graduate of Colorado State University.

The Coastal Corporation is a Houston-based energy holding company. It has consolidated assets of $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal and chemicals, and independent power production.

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#90248p1570 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT, (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Small businesses can lower their energy costs and increase productivity through a free lighting-analysis program being offered by Detroit Edison (NYSE: DTE).

The utility's "Lightright" program provides a comprehensive on-site lighting inspection for small offices, restaurants, retail and other eligible businesses in southeastern Michigan. A Detroit Edison contractor

will conduct the audits, using a computer-assisted program to measure lighting effectiveness. The contractor will recommend low-cost modifications to existing lighting systems and installation of energy-efficient equipment where necessary, as well as provide projections for operating costs and payback periods on new equipment.

"Under this program we can help small businesses save up to 30 percent in lighting costs by replacing existing fluorescent lamps and ballasts with energy-efficient devices," said Mark Switala, a Detroit Edison lighting specialist.

Switala generally recommends 32- to 34-watt fluorescent lamps for most commercial uses, together with new energy-efficient ballasts now available on the market.

"A high-quality lighting system creates a better environment for employees and patrons, resulting in improved productivity and sales," he said.

Independent commercial customers using an average of 4,000 kilowatthours of electricity per year are eligible for the audit. Detroit Edison will contact select customers through the mail and by telephone by December 1991. The utility hopes to complete 2,500 audits by that time. For further information about the free lighting audit program, business owners and managers may call 1-800-999-6956. The lighting analysis is one of 13 energy conservation programs for business and residential customers currently available from Detroit Edison and approved by the Michigan Public Service Commission.

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-30- 2186

#90248p1574 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - TIS Mortgatge Investment Co. (NYSE: TIS), today declared a dividend of 32 cents per share for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, payable on Oct. 12, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Sept. 28, 1990. This is the company's fourth consecutive quarterly dividend of 32 cents per share. In the first three quarters of 1989, the company declared and paid dividends of 30 cents per share.

As a real estate investment trust ("REIT"), TIS Mortgage Investment Company's dividends are based on taxable income calculated under the internal revenue code and not on book income which is computed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Taxable income in each quarter of 1989 and for the first three quarters of 1990 exceeded the amount of dividends declared and paid.

TIS Mortgage Investment Co. is a San Francisco-based REIT which invests in various mortgage assets, including Residual Interests in Collaterized Mortgage Obligation (CMO) Bonds. The company commenced operations on Aug. 26, 1988.

CONTACT: John E. Castello of TIS Mortgage Investment Co., 415-393-8000; or Maury Healy of Healy & Co., 415-546-6166, for TIS Mortgage Investment Co.

-30- 1407

#90248p1575 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND, (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Green and yellow BP signs are replacing blue and red Boron signs on service stations all over western Pennsylvania this week as BP Oil Company completes the conversion from Boron to BP that was announced in early 1989.

BP Oil Company of Cleveland (formerly Standard Oil) has owned or supplied the Boron stations in Pennsylvania since 1962. BP announced last year that all of its 7,500 service stations nationwide operating under the Gulf Sohio and Boron brand names would be rebranded to BP.

Last summer, Boron stations in Pennsylvania began to take on elements of BP's new Horizon station design, including the green, silver, and yellow BP color scheme. Over 230 Boron service stations in the state have been converted in preparation for this week's change to BP.

Ross Pillari, BP's vice president of retail marketing, commented on the brand change: "Our customers in Pennsylvania have trusted the Boron name for quality products and service for many years, and today that relationship continues under the BP name. The same dealers, jobbers, and employees who have served the people of Pennsylvania as Boron are here to serve them as BP. We think our customers will appreciate the changes we've made, but they'll also like what stayed the same."

CONTACT: Anne Straitiff of BP Oil, 216-586-6762

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CINNAMINSON, NJ (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - DNA Plant Technology Corporation (NASDAQ: DNAP) announced today that its board of directors has extended until 5 p.m., New York city time, on Jan. 17, 1992, the expiration date of its public warrants. The warrants were scheduled to expire on Jan. 17, 1991.

The warrants were originally sold by DNA Plant Technology Corporation as part of an underwritten public offering which commenced on Jan. 11, 1984.

Two warrants plus $10.50 in cash entitle the holder thereof to purchase 1.32 shares of common stock of DNA Plant Technology Corporation.

DNA Plant Technology Corporation is a leading agricultural biotechnology firm applying a spectrum of technologies for the commercial development of products and processes for industrial and consumer markets.

CONTACT: Richard Sykes of DNA Plant Technology, 914-241-4959, or Fred Spar of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for DNA Plant Technology

-30- 1105

#90248p1580 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Houston Lighting & Power Company (HL&P) today announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of $1.00 per share on its $4 preferred stock. The dividend is payable Nov. 1, 1990, to holders of record at the close of business on Oct. 16, 1990.

CONTACT: Sandy Brendler, 713-629-3123, or Dan Bulla, 713-629-3120, both of Houston Lighting & Power Company

-30- 581

#90248p1583 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LINDSTROM, MN. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Action Card Express, Inc. is pleased to announce the shareholders have recently ratified a name change to O-JAY, INC. Further to this, O-JAY announces the O-JAY brand of products have recently been introduced to the Gateway, Minneapolis; Nash Finch, St. Cloud; and Gateway, Twin Ports warehouses. This enhances regional distribution as well as immediately increasing sales.

CONTACT: Tom Luedtke of O-JAY, INC., 612-462-7111

-30- 634

#90248p1588 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELKIN, N.C. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Brendle's Incorporated (NASDAQ-NMS: BRDL) today reported results for the second quarter of fiscal 1991. For the three months ended August 4, 1990, sales increased 15.1 percent to $61,504,000 from $53,415,000 in the second quarter of fiscal 1990. The Company incurred a net loss of $1,455,000, or $.18 per share, compared with a net loss of $1,004,000, or $.12 per share, in the same period last year.

For the six months ended August 4, 1990, sales were $109,753,000, an increase of 15.9 percent from $94,737,000 reported for the first half of last year. The Company recorded a net loss of $3,572,000, or $.45 per

share, compared with a net loss of $2,898,000, or $.36 per share, in the comparable period a year ago.

According to Douglas D. Brendle, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, comparable store sales increased by 1.4 percent during the second quarter of fiscal 1991 compared to a 3.0 percent decrease for the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

Commenting on the results, Brendle remarked, "We are very pleased with the results for the first six month of fiscal 1991, which were ahead of budget. The Company opened eight new stores in the first half of fiscal 1991 and is on schedule to open five additional stores, relocate two existing stores, and complete a recent addition to its distribution center located in Elkin, North Carolina. Furthermore, I am very proud of the accomplishments of the entire organization, and in particular, I would like to recognize the contribution that Dennis Johnson has made during his first full year as President and Chief Operating Officer."

Brendle's Incorporated operates 55 discount retail stores in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, and Goergia which offer nationally advertised, brand-name merchandise at everyday low prices. The Company's shares trade on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol BRDL.

CONTACT: David R. Renegar, Secretary and Treasurer, Brendle's Incorporated, 919-526-6511

-30- 2228

#90248p1592 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - E-Systems (NYSE: ESY) Board of Directors has approved a third quarter dividend of 18.75 cents a common share to be paid Oct. 3 to stockholders of record on Sept. 14.

E-Systems has paid quarterly dividends since the third quarter of 1970.

E-Systems (NYSE: ESY) is a major worldwide developer and producer of electronic systems and products in the areas of intelligence, reconnaissance and surveillance systems, command and control, electronic warfare, specialized aircraft maintenance and modification, guidance, navigation and control, communications and data systems.

CONTACT: John E. Kumpf of E-Systems, 214-661-1000

-30- 836

#90248p1603 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Avery, Inc. (NASDAQ: AVRY) announced

today that a memorandum of understanding has been signed to settle the pending lawsuit which challenges various aspects of the proposal made on July 23, 1990, by Nelson Peltz and Peter W. May to acquire the 17 percent of the shares of the company's common stock not owned by them for $.35 per share in cash.

The settlement provides that Peltz and May will increase their offer to $.43 per share in cash and is subject to completion of pre-trial discovery proceedings, the negotiation and execution of a definitive settlement agreement, court approval and approval by a special committee of the Avery board of directors of a price at least equal to $.43 per share. The settlement is also subject to consummation of a merger between Avery and a company wholly owned by Peltz and May. Consummation of this merger itself is subject to certain regulatory approvals as well as approval by the stockholders of the company.

CONTACT: Curtis S. Gimson, vice president and general counsel of Avery, 212-230-3015

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#90248p1604 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Price Waterhouse today reaffirmed its intention to support IBM's AD/Cycle (A) strategy. In conjunction with IBM's latest announcement, Price Waterhouse has announced an environment for re-engineering existing systems into IBM's AD/Cycle for Systems Application Architecture (A). Called RE/Cycle (SM), this environment is a Price Waterhouse initiative focused on assisting clients and key package software vendors in migrating to CASE tools and AD/Cycle development environments.

AD/Cycle, first announced by IBM on Sept. 19, 1989, is both a stategy and an SAA (A) solution for application development and maintenance consisting of a set of products for the VM (A), MVS (A), OS/2 (A), and AS/400 (A) environments plus an architecture providing the framework around which the products and solutions could be integrated. "IBM has announced today an important next step in the functional evolution of its application development strategy," stated Steve Errico, Price Waterhouse partner responsible for CASE and Re-Engineering. "These functional enhancements will add new or extended capability to IBM's evolving AD/Cycle architecture. While AD/Cycle provides the means to develop new SAA compliant systems, IBM's strategy does not address existing systems. That is where Price Waterhouse comes in."

Built around ARRAE (SM), Price Waterhouse's proprietary product for process analysis, creating reusable software components, and code generating the replacement system, RE/Cycle is an architecture for moving existing systems to the AD/Cycle framework. Architected similarly to

AD/Cycle, RE/Cycle is a portfolio of proprietary and third party vendor products for re-engineering existing systems.

Price Waterhouse has provided consulting services for over 40 years and offers a complete range of management, financial and information technology consulting services.

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CONTACT: Cynthia LeCornu of Price Waterhouse, 813-287-9269

-30- 2315

#90248p1605 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - As foreshadowed in agreements signed between BMW and Rolls-Royce in May this year, the former KHD Luftfahrttechnik GmbH has been purchased by BMW and Rolls-Royce with effect from July 1, 1990.

It has been renamed BMW Rolls-Royce GmbH and has a share capital of 30 million Deutsch marks.

The company is located at the former Oberurseler Motoren Werke and is now responsible for the workers and plant there, for the military aerospace products previously undertaken there and for the fulfillment of contracts entered into by its predecessors. Oberursel lies about nine miles to the north of Frankfurt, under the Taunus mountains; the town is celebrating its 12th centennial and the Oberurseler Motoren Werke is about to celebrate its first. Baron von Richthofen was supervising the development of radial aircraft at Oberursel during World War I.

The management board of the company will have four directors, two appointed by each shareholder. The first director to be appointed by BMW is Gunter Kappler, professor at Munich University, who has a long background in aviation gas turbines, much of it gained with MTU in Munich. David Evans and Phil Wilkins have been appointed directors by Rolls-Royce; David Evans, formerly business vice president at International Aero Engines in the United States, is responsible for marketing and product support, and Phil Wilkins, formerly Rolls-Royce general manager at Leavesden, is responsible for production and procurement. The fourth director, yet to be appointed by BMW, will be the chairman of the management board, responsible for finance, personnel and administration.

For BMW, the venture represents a return to its origins. Among the first products of the Bayerische Motoren Werke were aircraft engines produced from 1913 to power German airplanes. Later BMW produced Hornet engines

under license from Pratt & Whitney, followed in the 1940s by the famous 14 cylinder BMW 801 engine installed in the Focke Wulf 190. For Rolls-Royce, the venture represents a major commitment to Europe and another plank in its global strategy. Both companies have a common ambition, namely that BMW Rolls-Royce shall develop full competence to design, develop, manufacture, sell and support a family of civil aircraft engines, with thrusts in the range 8,000 pounds to 22,000 pounds, to power business jets regional jets and passenger aircraft up to about 130 seats. This will be the BR 700 family of engines.

While launching itself at this segment of the civil aviation engine market BMW Rolls-Royce will continue to exploit the small gas turbine skills developed at Oberursel. BMW Rolls-Royce will continue its existing aircraft engine partnerships -- most notable with Snecma and Turbomeca in France. Supported by BMW and Rolls-Royce, BMW Rolls-Royce will invest in people, plant and technology at Oberursel to bring its production practices up to the best international standards.

Rolls-Royce is a world leader in the design, development and manufacture of civil and military aviation, marine and industrial gas turbine engines.

CONTACT: Robert Stangarone, 703-318-9002, or Dick Dalton, 703-318-9005, both of Rolls-Royce

-30- 3411

#90248p1612 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CONN. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc. (UCC&P) today said that it has entered into a settlement agreement with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) that will allow UCC&P to proceed with the sale of its urethane polyols and propylene glycols businesses to ARCO Chemical Company (ARCO) (NYSE: RCM). The settlement, in the form of a consent order, will become final once it has been accepted by the FTC after a 60-day public review period. The settlement contemplates that UCC&P would retain all funds previously paid by ARCO under the purchase agreement between the parties relating to the businesses.

As part of the consent order, the businesses sold to ARCO will be held separate from ARCO's other operations until certain divestitures by ARCO, required by the order, have been accomplished.

Also under the agreement, UCC&P and ARCO Chemical will each pay $1 million to the federal government as settlement of Hart-Scott-Rodino filing issues. This payment does not, however, represent an admission of wrongdoing by either party. Additionally, there is no finding by any court that any aspect of the transaction violated any law.

Urethane polyols are used to make polyurethane foam found in furniture cushioning and other products. Propylene glycols are used to make personal care products and cosmetics, automotive antifreeze, pet foods, liquid detergents, unsaturated polyester resins, and various functional fluids.

CONTACT: James A. Moore of Union Carbide, 203-794-6932

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#90248p1616 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - C. Ryan Jones has joined the Kellwood (NYSE: KWD) Home Fashions division as vice president of sales, according to Roy L. Fruehauf, division president. Jones will have total responsibility for Kellwood's open-line sales.

Most recently, Jones was president of Eastern Accents, a manufacturer of high-end decorative pillows. Prior to Eastern Accents, he was with Summergrade/Pillowtex and vice president of Ralph Lauren furnishings for J.P. Stevens.

Jones reports to Paul Belo, division vice president of marketing. "Ryan strengthens the sales and marketing team envisioned by Roy Fruehauf when he took over the presidency of Kellwood Home Fashions this past January," said Belo.

"The marketplace is ready for and needs a supplier with the capabilities of Kellwood. Our state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities allow Kellwood to service customers quickly with fashion-forward merchandise at very competitive price points," added Belo.

Jones will operate from Kellwood's new showrooms at 120 West 45th St. in New York City.

Kellwood, a Fortune 500 company, is an international manufacturer and marketer of apparel, home fashions, and camping soft goods.

CONTACT: Donna B. Weaver of Kellwood, 314-576-3265

-30- 1439

#90248p1618 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Bicoastal Corporation (NASDAQ: SIGPQ Pr), a debtor-in-possession under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code, announced today that the sale of its subsidiary, Link-Miles Limited, to Thomson (U.K.) Holding Ltd., a subsidiary of Thomson-CSF S.A., has been completed. Link-Miles Limited, headquartered in Lancing (Sussex) in the United Kingdom, operates in the military and commerical simulation

business.

Under the terms of the Agreement of Purchase and Sale, Thomson (U.K.) paid approximately $70 million of the $100 million base purchase price at closing, with approximately $20 million deposited in escrow and approximately $10 million retained by Thomson (U.K.) subject to certain contingencies.

This transaction was closed following receipt of necessary approvals of the United States Bankruptcy Court in Tampa, Fla., the U.S. State Department and certain British and French governmental regulatory authorities.

CONTACT: Jane H. Rogan of Bicoastal Corporation, 813-264-7100

-30- 1207

#90248p1621 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA. (SEPT. 5,) PR NEWSWIRE - Rolls-Royce and the Soviet helicopter design bureau Kamov today signed a protocol agreement for the RTM322 engine to power a new civil transport helicopter.

Under the agreement, covering both development and certification, it is intended to supply five Rolls-Royce Turbomeca RTM322 engines in 1993 for development flying in the new Ka-62 R.

The first flight is planned for late 1993 with certification of the RTM322 in the Ka-62 R following in mid-1995.

The agreement was signed at the Farnborough International 90 by Rolls-Royce's Deputy Chairman Sir Ralph Robins, the Soviet Deputy Minister of Aviation Industry S. M. Bolshakov, and Kamov's chief designer S. V. Mikheyev.

RTM322 engines would be fitted to versions of the Ka-62 R for export outside the USSR. Aircraft for the USSR and Eastern bloc countries will be powered by the Glushenkov TVD 1500, which is to be used to obtain the basic helicopter certification.

The Ka-62 R is designed to carry 14 passengers up to 370 miles at 165 miles per hour. This new civil transport can be converted for VIP use or as a multi-purpose utility aircraft.

Rolls-Royce is a world leader in the design, development and manufacture of civil and military aviation, marine and industrial gas turbine engines.

CONTACT: Robert Stangarone, 703-318-9002, or Dick Dalton, 703-318-9005, both of Rolls-Royce

-30- 1602

#90248p1622 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, IDAHO (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Morrison Knudsen Corp. (MK) (NYSE: MRN) today announced that it has been awarded a contract as construction manager of a major prison expansion for the State of Washington.

MK will manage a $67-million construction program at the McNeil Island Correction Center, located in the Puget Sound near Olympia. The work will be performed for the State of Washington Department of Corrections and the Department of General Administration.

Plans call for a new 1,400-bed, medium-security housing complex and support buildings to be constructed on the site of the existing state prison facility. Some renovation work will also be involved.

Work will begin immediately, with completion scheduled in 1994. Morrison Knudsen Corp. is an international engineering, design, environmental, construction, rail systems and mining company.

CONTACT: Jess Hawley of Morrison Knudsen Corp., 208-386-8000

-30- 1109

#90248p1630 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - PHLCORP, Inc. (NYSE: PHX) stated today that the preliminary results of a new study of projected redemptions applicable to trading stamps issued by a subsidiary, which were consistent with the results of a prior study, indicated that the recorded liability for future trading stamp redemptions was in excess of required amounts by approximately $34,000,000.

The company has concluded that it is likely that the amount of stamps ultimately to be redeemed is less than had been previously expected. However, the company noted that the results of such studies are inconsistent with the results of prior studies and may have been influenced by non-recurring factors and that ultimate redemptions may be significantly greater than indicated by these studies.

Accordingly, the company is amortizing the apparent excess over a five year period commencing Jan. 1, 1990. As a result, after giving effect to related adjustments, results of operations for the interim periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, will reflect pre-tax income of approximately $4,500,000. The company will continue to monitor actual redemptions and estimates of ultimate redemptions to determine if the amount and rate of amortization should be changed.

Leucadia National Corporation (NYSE, PSE: LUK) is the holder of approximately 66 percent of PHLCORP, Inc.'s outstanding common shares.

CONTACT: Kay Wood of PHLCORP, 215-557-1800, or Ruth Klindtworth of Leucadia National, 212-460-1932

-30- 1677

#90248p1635 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Jack In The Box, America's fifth-largest hamburger chain, signed its first international licensee today.

"We look forward to expanding our base to include markets such as Japan, Taiwan, Bangkok, Singapore, Indonesia, Malaysia, South Korea, Hong Kong and Guam," said Michael Fulkerson, vice president of Foodmaker International Franchising Inc., a subsidiary of Foodmaker Inc., which owns Jack In The Box. "We currently are searching for licensees for these markets," Fulkerson continued. "Research indicates that the Jack In The Box menu appeals to the tastes of Asians."

With 1,000 restaurants in the western and southwestern United States, Jack In The Box has become a leader and innovator in the industry through its experience in introducing new products. Focusing on an upscale adult audience, Jack In The Box originated such industry-wide standards as the chicken fajita pita, ham and turkey melt, grilled sourdough burger, sirloin cheesesteak, portable salad, wheat bun, bacon cheeseburger and chicken sandwich.

The company's first international restaurant will be in Mexico. Jack In The Box is headquartered in San Diego. The address is 9330 Balboa Ave., San Diego, CA USA 92123-1516; the phone number is 619-571-2691.

CONTACT: Mike Fulkerson, VP of Foodmaker International Franchising Inc., 619-571-2691, or 619-277-9788(fax)

-30- 1567

#90248p1642 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the Global Utility Fund, Inc. (NYSE: GL) at its regularly scheduled meeting held today declared a quarterly dividend from net investment income of $.135 per share payable on Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 14 1990.

The board also asked the fund's administrator, Prudential Mutual Fund Management, Inc., as well as the fund's investment manager, Wellington Management Company, to submit for the directors' consideration at a board meeting scheduled to be held on Oct. 15, 1990, a proposal for converting

the fund from a closed-end fund to an open-end fund. There can be no assurance that the board will take any action at that time. As previously disclosed, the board of directors is committed to reviewing all market price issues on a quarterly basis.

Global Utility Fund, Inc. is a diversified closed-end management investment company whose investment objective is to provide total return, without incurring undue risk, by investing in income-producing equity and debt securities of domestic and foreign companies in the utility industries. As of Aug. 31, 1990, the closing market price of the fund's shares was $8.75 and its net asset value per share was $10.61 per share. For further information on the fund, call 212-214-3334.

CONTACT: Steve Fisher, 212-214-1596, for Global Utility Fund

-30- 1575

#90248p1643 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - GW Utilities Limited (AMEX: GWT) today announced earnings for the year ended June 30, 1990, of $42 million, or $1.07 per common share, compared with $41 million, or $1.04 per common share, in 1989.

Revenues in 1990 were $103 million compared with $100 million a year earlier.

Detailed financial and operating highlights for the year are contained in the annual report which is expected to be mailed to shareholders by the end of September.

CONTACT: Frank Ternan of GW Utilities Limited, 416-862-5324

-30- 705

#90248p1648 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDMONTON, ALBERTA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Banister Inc. (AMEX: BAN; Toronto, Montreal, Alberta: BAC) announced today that the agreement with The Churchill Corp., involving the acquisition of certain construction companies and related assets owned by Churchill, will not proceed. A committee of Banister's board of directors has been authorized to meet with representatives of Churchill to consider potential alternatives.

Banister Inc. is a Canadian construction firm specializing in civil, marine, utility, building, pipeline and industrial construction.

CONTACT: Frank Tremayne, VP, secretary and general counsel of Banister Inc., 416-754-8735

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#90248p1649 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Norcen Energy Resources Ltd. (Toronto: NCN) announces the following Board and Executive changes:

E.G. Battle, president and chief executive officer of Norcen Energy Resources Ltd., will be appointed chairman of the board of directors effective Jan. 1, 1991, following his retirement from active employment on Dec. 31, 1990.

Battle is a graduate of Texas A & M University in Geological and Petroleum Engineering. He joined Medallion Petroleum, a Norcen predecessor company in 1957 as an engineer. Battle was appointed president of Norcen Energy Resources Ltd. in 1975 and president and chief executive officer in 1980.

B.D. Cochrane will be appointed president and chief executive officer coincident with Battle's retirement. Cochrane is a graduate of the University of Saskatchewan in Petroleum Engineering and has been an employee of Norcen Energy Resources and predecessor companies for more than 16 years. Cochrane was appointed executive vice president and chief operating officer in 1989.

Paul M. Marshall will assume the position of deputy chairman of Norcen Energy Resources Ltd.'s board of directors. Marshall is a graduate of McGill University Law Faculty. He has been chairman of Norcen's board since 1988 and is currently president and chief executive officer of Westmin Resources Ltd., president and director of Brascade Resources Inc. and a director of numerous corporations.

Commenting on the planned changes, Marshall stated that while he was sorry to see Battle retire from active employment, he and the Board were pleased that the new appointments would allow for a continuation of the strong management for which Norcen has become known.

CONTACT: Ron Burrows of Norcen Energy Resources Ltd., 403-231-0107

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#90248p1652 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Bow Valley Industries Ltd. (Montreal, Toronto: BVI) announced today that H.W. Dalton has been appointed to the board of directors of the company replacing D.H. Ebdon who has resigned. Dalton is managing director of exploration and production for British Gas plc of London, England.

D.K. Seaman, chairman and chief executive officer, stated that Ebdon provided a valuable contribution to the board and the Audit Committee

since joining the board in May 1988.

CONTACT: H.K. Lazelle of Bow Valley Industries Ltd., 403-261-6143

-30- 738

#90248p1653 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BELLWOOD, IL. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Sanford Corp. (NASDAQ: SANF) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 1,500,000 shares of its common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions over the next 18-month period. The company currently has 14,837,246 shares of common stock outstanding.

Henry B. Pearsall, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''The company's results of operations for the fiscal third quarter will not be available for release until the third week of September. However, management expects that third quarter results will be consistent with analysts' estimates.''

Sanford Corp. designs, manufactures and markets, under its brand names Sanford and Sterling, marking and writing instruments and other office and school supplies. The company's product lines, which include a wide variety of markers, porous tip pens, stamp pads, self inking stamps, adhesives, molded plastic office accessories, file storage boxes and other school supplies, are distributed primarily in the United States and also in numerous foreign countries.

CONTACT: Henry Pearsall, chairman and CEO, Sanford Corp., 708-547-6650

-30- 1361

#90248p1665 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CYPRESS, CALIF. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Year-to-date vehicle sales for Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc. reached 139,390 units, up 47 percent from a year earlier, and the company anticipates reaching its goal of 200,000 units by year-end.

"Our dealers have done a phenomenal job of meeting aggressive sales objectives for the 1990 model year, to the point of exhausting our inventory of end-of-model year product," said Rick Lepley, vice president of sales. "We're anxiously awaiting the arrival of the '91s and expect increased volume and continued sales success nationwide once our inventories are replenished."

New highlights for the 1991 model year will include the aerodynamic 3000GT Galant VR-4 sports sedan, and the Mirage GS, a sporty new version of the Mirage four-door model line. The new Mirage GS will offer a 123hp, 1.6-liter DOHC 16-valve engine and, along with a selection of Mirage

four-door versions and the popular Eclipse, will be built at Diamond-Star Motors in Normal, Ill.

Domestically built products have added consistent sales strength for Mitsubishi Motors. Year-to-date sales through August reached a total of 34,699 units, up 95 percent from a year earlier. The subcompact Mirage will offer additional vehicle volume through year- end.

Mitsubishi's more than 450 dealers will attend the company's annual dealer meeting this week in Las Vegas and view the '91 product line and all-new advertising campaign. This year's dealer show is the largest in Mitsubishi history due to the addition of more than 200 new dealers since 1989. Lepley noted plans for another 150 dealers to join the Mitsubishi banner by 1992.

Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc., Cypress, Calif., was established in 1981 by Mitsubishi Motors Corp., Tokyo, and markets a full line of subcompacts, compacts, sports coupes, vans, light trucks and sport/utility vehicles.

CONTACT: Debbie Stearn for Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America, (National), 800-233-MMSA, or (California) 800-828-MMSA

-30- 2198

#90248p1671 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILKES-BARRE, PA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Hugh F. Hanson, a veteran water quality engineer, has been named president of North East Water, the company which hopes to acquire the water operations of Pennsylvania Gas and Water (PG&W). North East Water is a subsidiary of United Water Resources (NYSE: UWR). Hanson is senior vice president of Hackensack and Spring Valley water companies, and is serving as a consultant/observer to represent United Water's interests until the PG&W acquisition is completed.

"Hugh Hanson's long history with Pennsylvania utilities makes him an excellent candidate to head the water utility," said United Water Chairman Robert A. Gerber. "Hanson has strong water utility management experience and extensive water quality knowledge."

Hanson, 47, joined United Water Resources in 1989. He also serves as chief operating officer of Spring Valley Water. Prior to joining United Water he was president of an environmental management firm and a utility services company. Earlier, Hanson served for eight years with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in Washington D.C., where he was chief of the science and technology branch.

Hanson was with the Chester (Pennsylvania) Water Authority as special projects manager and assistant superintendent of production. He started

his career with the Philadelphia Water Department, where he served as chief of the Schuylkill division.

Hanson holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the University of Michigan. He performed his graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania, where he earned a master's degree in water resources engineering. He is a licensed professional engineer in Pennsylvania, Connecticut and Delaware, and a licensed water treatment plant operator in Pennsylvania and Connecticut.

Hanson has been involved in various professional organizations throughout his career, including the Water Pollution Control Association, the American Water Works Association, the American Society of Civil Engineers, and the National Association of Water Companies. Hanson was twice awarded the EPA's Special Achievement Award and received the agency's Bronze Medal as well, for contributions to the national drinking water program. He is a diplomate of the American Academy of Environmental Engineers.

United Water Resources has about 16 million shares of common stock outstanding, which are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "UWR." Hackensack and Spring Valley Water Companies serve a combined population of one million people in New Jersey and New York.

CONTACT: Martha Green of United Water Resources, 201-784-9434, or evenings, 201-487-0011

-30- 2891

#90248p1672 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - North East Water and its parent company, United Water Resources (NYSE: UWR), filed testimony with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) in support of their proposed acquisition of the water operations and related assets of Pennsylvania Enterprises, Inc. (PEI), the parent company of Pennsylvania Gas & Water Company (PG&W).

The testimony, consisting of four volumes, was filed at the PUC in Harrisburg on Friday, Aug. 31, and will form the basis for evidentiary hearings, set to begin Sept. 10. North East Water has also intervened in PG&W's pending rate increase application for Scranton-area customers, since United Water expects to assume the rate proceeding if it is not resolved before the asset acquisition is concluded.

Among the witnesses were two senior United Water executives, Hugh F. Hanson, the designated president of North East Water, and Donald L. Correll, United Water's vice president and chief financial officer. "We believe that United Water has the experience and the capability to solve the problems and firmly establish North East as a strong and healthy

company," Hanson states.

"United Water has more than 120 years of leadership in the water industry, with particular strengths in the very disciplines that are needed to solve the challenges in northeastern Pennsylvania."

Hanson testified that "North East is committed to the completion of the remainder of the filtration project on or before the Dec. 31, 1992, deadline as mandated by the state Department of Environmental Resources (DER)."

Hanson outlined the fast track construction management program United Water plans to introduce for the three remaining filtration plants slated for the Wilkes-Barre area. The fast track method will save time and money by having some aspects of design and construction take place simultaneously, and by closer coordination by contractors and engineers in the construction of the plants.

Rehabilitation of the distribution system is also a primary goal of North East Water, said Hanson. He noted that although United Water's Hackensack Water Company has a system with sections that are as old as PG&W's system, Hackensack has a relatively low incidence of main breaks and other distribution system problems that negatively affect water quality.

United Water anticipates that it will require about $248 million to finance the acquisition.

North East Water, which was incorporated in May as a subsidiary of United Water, is the entity which will acquire the water operations of the Pennsylvania utility. United Water has about 16 million shares of common stock outstanding

CONTACT: Martha Green or Carolyn Iglesias, 201-784-9434, or evening or weekend, 201-487-0011, both of United Water Resources

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RICHMOND, BRITISH COLUMBIA, (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - HQ Office International Inc. (NASDAQ: HQOIU) (doing business as Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse) confirmed today that it is currently engaged in preliminary discussions regarding a possible business combination with its affiliate and former parent, HF Office Supplies Warehouse Inc. The company believes that a business combination with HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc. would result in operational efficiencies between the two companies and would allow its Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse office products retail chain to further penetrate the Canadian market for

office supplies and related products. Neither the terms nor the form of the proposed business combination with HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc. have been determined.

HQ Office International Inc. has retained Bateman, Eichler, Hill, Richards Inc. to serve as its investment banking and financial adviser for the proposed transaction.

Founded on a unique merchandising strategy based on direct shipment from manufacturers, rapid inventory turnover, and centralized control of purchasing, replenishment and pricing. Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse maintains deeply discounted prices and excellent service.

CONTACT: Douglas MacLellan of HQ Office International, 213-491-3500

-30- 1513

#90248p1679 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - PLM Equipment Growth Fund (AMEX: GFX), a California limited partnership that owns and leases a diversified portfolio of transportation equipment, today announced earnings for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

Total income for the three months ended June 30, 1990 was $9.1 million, compared to $6.5 million for the second quarter of 1989. Net income for the second quarteer was $879,000, compared to a loss of $109,000 in 1989. Cash flow from operations was $5.2 million for the quarter compared to $4.1 million for the same quarter 1989. Cash distribution payable per depositary unit for the second quarter was $0.575 and cash flow per depositary unit was $0.86, compared to $0.55 and $0.68 a year ago.

Total income for the six months ended June 30, 1990 was $17.8 million, compared to $14 million for the same period in 1989. Net income for the six months was $2 million, compared to $1.4 million in 1989. Cash flow from operations was $10.1 million for the six-month period, compared to $7.4 million in 1989. Cash distribution payable per depositary unit for the six months was $1.125 and cash flow per depositary unit was $1.68, compared to $1.075 and $1.23 a year ago.

PLM Equipment Growth funnd is a $120 million income-oriented limited partnership formed in May 19986 to acquire, manage and lease a diversified portfolio of useed transportation equipment. The Fund was listed for trading on the Ammerican Stock Exchange June 1, 1989.

San Francisco-based PLM International is an integrated equipment leasing company engaged in the leasing and management of transportation equipment and in operating leases domestically and internationally as well as the syndication of capital equipment leasing investments. The company

operates and manages over $1.3 billion of transportation equipment and related assets for its account, various sponsored partnerships and other third party accounts.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (NYSE: CHV) announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $1 per barrel was effective today at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$27.50 for West Texas Intermediate $25.50 for West Texas Sour $27.50 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E46. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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-30- 937

#90248p1690 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthco International Inc. (NASDAQ: HLCO) announced today that its board of directors has postponed the company's annual meeting of stockholders until Tuesday, Sept. 25. The meeting was previously scheduled to be held tomorrow, Sept. 6. The company stated that the current record date for the meeting remains unchanged.

The company said the board viewed the postponement as necessary in light of both a communication it received this afternoon from the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission as well as reports it had received from various parties, including certain of its stockholders, of apparent misinformation in the marketplace concerning the recently announced Hicks Muse transaction and the apparent confusion among stockholders which has been engendered as a result.

As previously announced, Healthco yesterday entered into a definitive agreement with an affiliate of Hicks, Muse & Co. and Ray C. Davis providing for merger at a price of $19.25 per share in cash. The merger is subject to financing and approval of Healthco's stockholders and is expected to close in late Fall.

The company said that its counsel had this afternoon received a letter from the SEC's staff expressing the view that "it appears that stockholders will not have sufficient time to consider and react to these developments unless the annual meeting is postponed." In its letter, the SEC noted that, among other things, stockholders should be provided with additional soliciting materials describing the terms of the acquisition agreement between Hicks Muse and the company.

The company stated that in light of these developments and to comply with the views expressed by the SEC, it would promptly prepare and disseminate additional proxy materials to its stockholders so that its stockholders would have the opportunity to make a fully informed decision prior to the annual meeting.

CONTACT: Daniel H. Burch or Neil J. Call of Dewe Rogerson Inc., 212-688-6840, for Healthco International

-30- 2230

#90248p5754 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastchester Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: ECFC) commented today on the status of the agreement and plan of merger with North Fork Bancorporation, Inc. (NYSE: NFB) dated April 18, 1990, under which a subsidiary of North Fork would pay Eastchester shareholders $20 in cash per share, for a total purchase price of approximately $79.5 million, upon the satisfaction of certain conditions.

In a public statement issued on Aug. 8, North Fork announced that, based on Eastchester's financial condition and results of operations for the period ended June 30, 1990, it would not be prepared to consummate the merger agreement at the $20 per share price. Eastchester stated that North Fork has further advised Eastchester that in light of current economic conditions it does not believe the situation will change and does not currently anticipate consummating the transaction under its existing terms. After initial discussions with North Fork and its advisors, no amendments acceptable to Eastchester have been proposed. Eastchester stated that it has agreed to North Fork's request to meet later this month for the purpose of determining whether there is a basis for the parties to agree to a transaction.

Malcolm J. Delaney, president and chief executive officer of Eastchester, stated that the board of directors of Eastchester will continue to review the situation and consider the various options available to it.

Eastchester Financial Corporation, with $531 million in assets, is the parent company of Eastchester Savings Bank, headquartered in White Plains

with branch locations in Westchester and Rockland counties. Eastchester Savings Bank continues to be well in excess of all regulatory capital requirements.

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#90248p5758 09/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARNBOROUGH, ENGLAND, (SEPT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Bell Helicopter Textron's intermediate twin-engined Model 230 will be built at the company's commercial helicopter facility near Montreal, Bell President L.M. (Jack) Horner confirmed today.

The Model 230, originally announced last fall, is a significantly updated version of the Bell Model 222. It will be the fifth production line to be built at Bell's Mirabel plant, joining the 206B Jet Ranger, 206L-3 LongRanger, 212 and 412SP models.

Horner said all Model 230 engineering is on schedule for completion in October. Two prototype aircraft will be at Mirabel Oct. 1. First flight is scheduled for summer 1991 with certification planned for the first quarter of 1992.

First deliveries will be made in August 1992, with Mitsui & Co., Ltd. of Tokyo serving as the launch customer with 20 aircraft on order, Horner stated. "With its exceptional design, I am convinced the Model 230 will play a significant role in the twin-engine helicopter market for many years," Horner said.

The Model 230 will be available in both wheeled and skid gear versions. In an executive configuration, the Model 230 will seat two pilots and up to six passengers. The utility version can accommodate either nine people or cargo. It is equipped with twin Allison 250-C30 G2 turbine engines, among the most reliable and proven engines in the aviation industry. These powerplants are from the 250 series which have more than 50 million flight hours cumulatively.

Bell's Canadian plant, which first opened in December 1985, now accounts for approximately one-third of the world's production of commercial helicopters. In just over four years of operations, the Mirabel facility has manufactured and delivered 375 helicopters.

Bell Helicopter Textron is a subsidiary of Textron Inc. (NYSE: TXT), a multi-industry company with operations in three business sectors: aerospace technology, commercial products and financial services.

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#90248t1022 09/05/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT. 5) TASS - THREE MAJOR CONSTRUCTION ORGANISATIONS FROM THE UNITED STATES, TURKEY AND THE SOVIET UNION HAVE LAUNCHED A JOINT BUILDING BUSINESS, INTERSTROI.

THE U.S. FOUNDER, DST, WAS SPECIALLY FORMED BY A GROUP OF AMERICAN CONSTRUCTION FIRMS TO ESTABLISH A FOOTHOLD IN THE SOVIET MARKET. THE TURKISH F0UNDER IS THE ALARCO UMBRELLA OF 23 BUILDING COMPANIES.

THE SOVIET CONSTRUCTION ORGANISATION IS MOSSTROIKOMITET, WHICH UNITES SIX DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES WITH A TOTAL OF 270,000 EMPLOYEES.

YET ANOTHER FOUNDER IS THE STROIKA FOREIGN TRADE FIRM REPRESENTING RESEARCH, DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGICAL ORGANISATIONS OF THE SOVIET CONSTRUCTION AGENCY GOSTROI.

INTERSTROI, WITH AN INITIAL CAPITAL OF 32 MILLION DOLLARS, WILL DEVELOP ADVANCED BUILDING TECHNOLOGIES AND METHODS OF PRODUCING BUILDING MATERIALS FOR USE IN THE UNITED STATES, THE SOVIET UNION AND THIRD COUNTRIES, DESIGN AND BUILD VARIOUS FACILITIES, AND PROVIDE MANAGERIAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE
California at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Oakland at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Seattle at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Kansas City at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Milwaukee, 8:35 p.m.
Cleveland at Texas, 8:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
New York at Pittsburgh, 2, 5:35 p.m.
Chicago at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Montreal at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Houston at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
Cincinnati at San Francisco, 10:05 p.m.

Atlanta at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

BOXING
Dublin - AIBA World Cup

TENNIS
New York - U.S. Open

-30- 746
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(SEPT. 5) UPI - The State Department says an Iraqi plane chartered by the United States arrived in Jordan Tuesday with 30 Americans and 100 other nationals who had been trapped in Iraq and occupied Kuwait. Meanwhile, more than 300 British women and children reached Baghdad... 17 hours after they left Kuwait City on a grueling bus journey through the desert. The British Embassy in Iraq says it will try Wednesday to obtain exit visas for them so they can get home.

The upcoming summit in Helsinki, Finland, has forced President Bush to cancel a long-planned appearance at Ellis Island in New York. Bush announced last weekend that he will meet with Soviet President Gorbachev Sunday to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis and other issues. Ellis Island officials say the festivities will proceed as planned... with Vice President Quayle substituting for Bush in dedicating the new National Museum of Immigration.

Sources in Bangkok, Thailand, say the leader of the Khmer Rouge has agreed to attend the Cambodian peace talks scheduled to begin Thursday in Jakarta Indonesia. The sources say a senior Thai Foreign Ministry official met Khieu Samphan Tuesday to persuade him to change his plans to avoid the talks. The change of heart could save the talks from degenerating into an inconsequential, low-level meeting.

NASA engineers are keeping their fingers crossed. They are hoping Wednesday's fueling of the shuttle Columbia DOESN'T turn up any hydrogen fuel leaks... like the ones that grounded the shuttle fleet all summer. If all goes as planned, Columbia is scheduled to lift off early Thursday morning from Cape Canaveral, Florida, on a long-delayed astronomy mission.

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NASA plans to follow Columbia's mission by launching the shuttle Discovery in early October on a high-priority flight to send the European-built Ulysses solar probe into an orbit around the poles of the sun. The Discovery was hauled to launch pad 39-B Tuesday night. But an apparent leak in one of the shuttle's two primary Freon cooling systems threatens to delay the mission.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - A poll finds Oregon voters favoring by a 3-1 margin the closing of the Trojan nuclear plant until it meets safety requirements. Those requirements are contained in a referendum on the November ballot in Oregon. Among them- that the plant remain closed until a repository for nuclear waste is operating. Since the federal government DOESN'T expect to license a nuclear waste dump until the year 2010- at the earliest- the measure would shut Trojan down for at least two decades.

First lady Barbara Bush is getting a boost from television glamour Wednesday to promote her literacy program. Mrs. Bush will speak at a luncheon during a education conference, sponsored by C- B-S, at Washington's Georgetown University. Then she'll take part in an A-B-C radio network call-in show with anchorman Peter Jennings. The first lady will discuss her plans for reading children's stories in the upcoming radio series, ''Mrs. Bush's Story Time,'' that starts September 16th and runs for 10 Sundays.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson cf	5	1	2	1	Phillips lf	3	1	0	0
Fernandez ss	3	0	2	0	Whitaker 2b	3	0	0	0
McGriff 1b	4	0	1	0	Shelby lf	0	0	0	0
Bell dh	4	0	0	0	Trammell ss	2	0	1	2
Borders c	3	0	0	0	Fielder 1b	3	0	0	0
Myers c	1	0	1	0	Moseby cf	2	0	0	0
Hill lf	3	0	0	0	Fryman 3b	3	1	0	0
Whiten rf	1	0	0	0	Sheets dh	3	0	0	0
Lee 2b	4	0	0	0	Coles dh	1	0	0	0
Williams rf	2	0	1	0	Lemon rf	3	1	1	0
Felix ph	1	0	0	0	Salas c	3	0	2	1
Quinlan 3b	2	0	1	0					
Mulliniks ph	1	0	1	0					
Totals	34	1	9	1	Totals	26	3	4	3

Toronto	001 000 000- 1
Detroit	000 100 20x- 3

DP-Detroit 1. LOB-Toronto 9, Detroit 10. 2B-Salas, Williams, Trammell. HR-Wilson (3). SB-Phillips (18), Trammell (11). S-Salas.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Wills	4	1	1	1	6	5
DWard (L 2-8)	2 1-3	1	2	2	2	3
Candelaria	1 2-3	2	0	0	2	2
Detroit						
Tanana	6	6	1	1	1	7
Gibson (W 4-4)	1	1	0	0	1	0
Henneman (S 20)	2	2	0	0	0	2

HBP-by Tanana (Quinlan). T-3:07. A-14,760.

Umpires-Home, Kosc; 1b, Morrison; 2b, Roe; 3b, Barnett.

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	4	2	2	1	Finley rf	4	0	1	0
Griffey Sr lf	4	0	3	3	Ripken 2b	3	2	1	1
Cotto lf	1	0	0	0	Anderson cf	4	0	1	0
Griffey Jr cf	4	0	1	1	Ripken Jr ss	4	0	0	1
Davis dh	5	0	0	0	Horn dh	4	0	0	0
O'Brien 1b	4	1	1	0	Orsulak lf	3	0	1	0
Briley rf	3	1	1	0	Worthngtn 3b	3	0	0	0
Valle c	3	2	1	1	Melvin c	3	0	0	0
Schaefer 3b	3	0	1	0	McKnight 1b	3	0	0	0
Vizquel ss	4	1	1	1					
Totals	35	7	11	7	Totals	31	2	4	2

Seattle	030 003 001-	7
Baltimore	001 001 000-	2

DP-Baltimore 1. LOB-Seattle 6, Baltimore 3. 2B-Finley, Griffey Sr, O'Brien, Anderson, Reynolds. HR-Ripken (2). SB-Briley (13). S-Schaefer. SF-Griffey Jr.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Hanson (W 13-9)	7	4	2	2	1	7
Comstock	2	0	0	0	0	2
Baltimore						
Harnisch (L 10-10)	5 1-3	7	6	6	3	1
DJohnson	0	2	0	0	0	0
Ballard	2 2-3	1	0	0	0	0

Schilling	1	1	1	1	0	0

T-3:03. A-22,315.

Umpires-Home, McCoy; 1b, Clark; 3b, Hirschbeck.

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Munoz rf	6	2	4	0	Molitor 2b	4	0	0	0
Liriano 2b	4	2	2	0	Yount cf	3	0	1	0
Puckett lf	4	2	2	1	Sheffield 3b	3	0	1	0
Moses lf	1	0	0	0	Parker dh	4	0	1	0
Hrbek dh	6	0	3	2	Deer rf	4	0	1	0
Gaetti 3b	5	0	4	2	Surhoff c	4	0	0	0
Newman 3b	0	0	0	0	Vaughn lf	4	1	1	1
Harper c	6	0	1	0	Brock 1b	2	0	0	0
Mack cf	5	0	2	1	Spiers ss	2	0	0	0
Sorrento 1b	3	1	1	1					
Leius ss	5	0	0	0					
Totals	45	7	19	7	Totals	30	1	5	1

Minnesota	200 002 210- 7
Milwaukee	000 000 001- 1

E-Drummond. DP-Minnesota 2, Milwaukee 1. LOB-Minnesota 17, Milwaukee 7.
2B-Harper, Hrbek. 3B-Liriano. HR-Sorrento (4), Vaughn (12). SB-Munoz (2).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
West	2 1-3	0	0	0	2	0
Drummond (W 3-4)	5 2-3	4	0	0	3	1
Savage	1	1	1	1	0	0
Milwaukee						
Edens (L 3-2)	4 2-3	11	2	2	1	0
Mirabella	1 2-3	7	4	4	3	1
Veres	2 2-3	1	1	1	2	1

PB-Harper. T-3:09. A-8,747.

Umpires-Home, Reilly; 1b, Palermo; 2b, Garcia; 3b, Joyce.

CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Cole Jr cf	3	0	1	0	Pettis cf	4	0	0	0
Webster cf	2	0	0	0	Daugherty lf	4	1	1	2
Browne 2b	3	0	2	2	Palmeiro 1b	4	1	2	2

Baerga 3b	5	2	1	1	Sierra dh	3	0	0	0
Maldonado lf	4	1	1	0	Franco 2b	4	0	1	0
CJames dh	5	0	2	1	Petralli c	4	0	0	0
Jacoby 1b	5	2	2	0	Gonzalez rf	4	1	2	1
Snyder rf	3	2	1	2	Buechele 3b	3	0	0	0
Alomar c	3	0	2	0	Huson ss	2	2	1	0
Fermin ss	3	0	1	0					
Totals	36	7	13	6	Totals	32	5	7	5

Cleveland	021 012 100- 7
Texas	003 000 020- 5

E-Palmeiro, Huson. DP-Cleveland 2, Texas 1. LOB-Cleveland 8, Texas 2. 2B-Browne 2, Maldonado, Palmeiro. HR-Snyder (14), Gonzalez (1), Daugherty (4), Baerga (6), Palmeiro (13). SB-Huson (8). S-Alomar, Fermin.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
SValdez (W 3-5)	7	6	4	4	1	7
Jones	2	1	1	1	0	3
Texas						
Brown (L 12-10)	5	9	4	4	1	4
McMurtry	1-3	1	2	0	1	0
Barfield	2-3	1	1	0	0	0
Mielke	3	2	0	0	1	1

Barfield pitched to 1 batter in the 7th, SValdez pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

HBP-by SValdez (Sierra), by Mielke (Maldonado). T-2:45. A-10,467.

Umpires-Home, Young; 1b, McKean; 2b, Voltaggio; 3b, Johnson.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Hatcher cf	3	1	0	0	LSmith lf	4	1	1	0
Duncan 2b	5	1	1	1	Gant cf	5	3	3	2
Larkin ss	4	1	1	0	Justice rf	3	3	3	2
Davis lf	4	0	2	2	Presley 3b	4	0	3	1
Sabo 3b	3	0	0	0	Lemke 2b	0	0	0	0
Myers p	0	0	0	0	Cabrera 1b	2	0	0	0

Benzinger 1b	4	0	1	1	Gregg 1b	1	0	0	1
O'Neill rf	3	0	0	0	Berroa ph	1	0	0	0
Dibble p	0	0	0	0	Mercker p	0	0	0	0
Doran 3b	1	0	0	0	Thomas ss	4	0	0	0
Oliver c	3	1	1	0	Blauser 3b	5	0	3	1
Reed c	0	0	0	0	Olson c	5	0	0	0
Lee ph	0	0	0	0	Glavine p	4	0	1	0
Charlton pr	0	0	0	0	Bell 1b	0	0	0	0
Jackson p	1	0	0	0					
Layana p	0	0	0	0					
Braggs rf	2	0	1	0					
Totals	33	4	7	4	Totals	38	7	14	7

Cincinnati	004 000 000- 4
Atlanta	101 301 01x- 7

LOB-Cincinnati 8, Atlanta 13. 2B-Larkin, Oliver, Davis 2, Presley 2, Blauser 2. HR-Gant (26), Justice 2 (22). SB-Gant (24), Justice (8). S-Jackson. SF-Gregg.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Jackson (L 5-3)	3 1-3	8	5	5	2	4
Layana	1 2-3	3	1	1	0	1
Dibble	2	1	0	0	2	3
Myers	1	2	1	1	1	2
Atlanta						
Glavine (W 7-11)	8	6	4	4	3	6
Mercker (S 6)	1	1	0	0	2	1

Layana pitched to 1 batter in the 6th.

WP-Jackson, Layana, Dibble. PB-Oliver. T-2:59. A-4,463.

Umpires-Home, Marsh; 1b, Wendelstedt; 2b, West; 3b, Hallion.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Dascenzo cf	3	0	0	0	DeShields 2b	4	0	1	0
Sandberg 2b	4	1	1	2	DMartinez cf	4	0	0	0
Grace 1b	4	0	0	0	Raines lf	4	0	2	0
Dawson rf	4	0	1	0	Wallach 3b	3	0	1	0
JSmith lf	3	1	1	1	Aldrete rf	3	0	1	0
Wynne cf	0	0	0	0	Nixon cf	1	1	0	0
Ramos 3b	3	0	0	0	Galarraga 1b	4	0	2	1
Dunston ss	3	0	0	0	Goff c	1	0	0	0

Berryhill c	3	0	0	0	Noboa ph	1	0	1	0
Bielecki p	2	0	0	0	Owen ss	1	0	0	0
Varsho ph	1	1	1	0	Foley ss	2	0	0	0
Assenmchr p	0	0	0	0	Grissom ph	1	0	0	0
					JMartinez p	3	0	1	0
					Fitzgerld ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	30	3	4	3	Totals	33	1	9	1

Chicago	000 000 012- 3
Montreal	000 001 000- 1

E-DeShields, Wallach, JMartinez. DP-Chicago 2, Montreal 2. LOB-Chicago 1, Montreal 9. 2B-Raines, Galarraga. HR-JSmith (6), Sandberg (32). SB-Raines (41), Nixon (42). S-Dascenzo.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Bielecki (W 7-9)	8	8	1	1	4	6
Assenmacher (S 7)	1	1	0	0	0	3
Montreal						
JMartinez (L 10-10)	9	4	3	3	0	3

T-2:48. A-10,605.

Umpires-Home, Winters; 1b, Davis; 2b, Layne; 3b, Runge.

PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	4	2	1	1	King 3b	4	2	1	0
Daulton c	5	1	2	3	Bell ss	4	2	1	0
VHayes lf	4	1	3	1	Van Slyke cf	4	2	0	1
Murphy rf	4	1	2	2	Bonilla rf	4	2	2	5
Kruk 1b	4	0	1	0	Bonds lf	3	0	1	2
CHayes 3b	3	0	0	0	Martinez 1b	4	2	2	2
Thon ss	4	0	0	0	Patterson p	0	0	0	0
Morandini 2b	2	1	0	0	Slaught c	3	0	1	0
Ready 2b	1	0	0	0	Lind 2b	4	0	1	1
Combs p	1	1	1	0	Walk p	0	0	0	0
Carman p	0	0	0	0	Redus ph	1	0	0	0
Hollins ph	1	0	1	0	York p	0	0	0	0
Grimsley pr	0	0	0	0	Belliard ph	1	0	0	0
Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0	Landrum p	0	0	0	0
Greene p	0	0	0	0	Backman ph	1	1	1	0
Chambrln ph	1	0	0	0	Bream 1b	1	0	0	0
Totals	34	7	11	7	Totals	34	11	10	11

Philadelphia	320 200 000- 7
Pittsburgh	012 044 00x- 11

E-Murphy, Van Slyke, Lind, CHayes, Thon. DP-Philadelphia 1, Pittsburgh 4. LOB-Philadelphia 4, Pittsburgh 4. 2B-VHayes, Combs, Martinez, Bell, Backman. HR-Murphy (20), Daulton (11), Martinez (9), Bonilla (31). SB-Dykstra (30), VHayes (14), Bonds (44). S-Combs. SF-Bonds.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Combs	4 1-3	6	6	6	3	3
Carman	2-3	1	1	1	0	0
Akerfelds (L 5-2)	2	3	4	3	0	1
Greene	1	0	0	0	0	0
Pittsburgh						
Walk	2	6	5	5	2	0
York	2	2	2	1	1	1
Landrum (W 5-3)	2	2	0	0	0	1
Patterson (S 4)	3	1	0	0	0	1

HBP-by Akerfelds (Bell). T-3:01. A-16,858.

Umpires-Home, Tata; 1b, Quick; 2b, Rennert; 3b, Bonin.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Herr 2b	4	0	0	0	Gilkey lf	4	0	0	0
Teufel 1b	4	0	1	0	Smith ss	4	1	1	0
Jefferies 3b	4	0	1	0	Pendleton 3b	3	0	1	1
Strawbrry rf	3	0	0	0	Hudler 1b	3	0	1	0
McReynlds lf	3	0	1	0	Collins 1b	0	0	0	0
Johnson ss	4	0	0	0	Jose rf	2	0	0	0
Boston cf	2	0	0	0	Wilson 2b	2	0	0	0
O'Brien c	2	0	0	0	Oquendo 2b	0	0	0	0
Magadan ph	1	0	1	0	Thompson cf	3	0	0	0
Miller pr	0	0	0	0	Pagnozzi c	2	0	0	0
Hundley c	0	0	0	0	Magrane p	1	0	0	0
Fernandez p	2	0	1	0	Zeile ph	1	0	0	0
Sasser ph	0	0	0	0	Olivares p	0	0	0	0
Reed pr	0	0	0	0	Lankford ph	1	0	1	0
APena p	0	0	0	0	LSmith p	0	0	0	0
Totals	29	0	5	0	Totals	26	1	4	1

New York	000 000 000- 0
St. Louis	000 100 00x- 1

E-Pagnozzi. DP-St. Louis 2. LOB-New York 6, St. Louis 4. 2B-Teufel, Pendleton. SB-Pendleton (7), Hudler (15), Lankford (5), McReynolds (8).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Fernandez (L 9-11)	7	3	1	1	2	7
APena	1	1	0	0	0	0
St. Louis						
Magrane (W 9-15)	5	3	0	0	2	2
Olivares	3	2	0	0	1	1
LSmith (S 23)	1	0	0	0	1	1

HBP-by Fernandez (Pagnozzi). T-2:33. A-19,873.

Umpires-Home, Davidson; 1b, Williams; 2b, McSherry; 3b, Montague.

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	5	2	2	0	Roberts 3b	4	1	1	0
Kingery rf	5	0	3	1	Alomar 2b	5	1	1	1
Clark 1b	5	0	0	0	Gwynn rf	4	1	1	1
Mitchell lf	4	2	2	2	JaClark 1b	3	1	1	0
Williams 3b	4	0	1	1	Stephensn 1b	1	0	0	0
Riles 2b	2	0	0	0	JCarter lf	4	0	1	2
Anderson 2b	1	0	0	0	Santiago c	4	0	1	0
Litton 2b	0	0	0	0	Templeton ss	4	0	0	0
Kennedy c	3	0	0	0	Abner cf	3	0	1	0
Benjamin ss	4	1	1	0	Benes p	1	0	1	0
LaCoss p	2	0	0	0	Lynn ph	1	0	0	0
Bathe ph	1	1	1	2	Hammaker p	0	0	0	0
Burkett p	1	0	0	0	Pagliarulo ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	37	6	10	6	Totals	35	4	8	4

San Francisco	201 001 200- 6
San Diego	310 000 000- 4

E-LaCoss, Benjamin, Roberts. LOB-San Francisco 6, San Diego 7. 2B-JaClark, JCarter, Mitchell. 3B-Butler, Benjamin. HR-Mitchell (32), Bathe (3). SB-Alomar (19), Roberts (37). S-Benes.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
LaCoss (W 5-3)	6	7	4	3	1	4
Burkett (S 1)	3	1	0	0	1	0

San Diego						
Benes	6	6	4	4	1	4
Hammaker (L 4-7)	3	4	2	2	1	2

T-2:30. A-12,162.

Umpires-Home, Darling; 1b, Froemming; 2b, Pulli; 3b, Rippley.

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Young cf	6	0	3	0	Harris 2b	5	1	3	0
Oberkfell 3b	3	2	0	1	Javier cf	4	2	1	0
Meyer p	1	0	0	0	Daniels lf	5	2	2	6
Agosto p	0	0	0	0	Murray 1b	5	2	3	1
Smith p	0	0	0	0	Brooks rf	5	0	1	0
Stubbs lf	4	1	0	0	Scioscia c	3	0	0	1
Yelding lf	0	1	0	0	Sharpersn 3b	2	0	0	0
Davis 1b	3	0	1	2	Griffin ss	3	0	0	0
Rhodes rf	4	1	2	0	Gibson ph	0	0	0	0
Candaele rf	1	0	1	1	Hatcher ph	1	0	0	0
Ramirez ss	4	1	1	0	Offerman ss	0	0	0	0
Gedman c	4	1	1	1	Martinez p	2	1	1	0
Biggio c	1	0	0	0	Crews p	0	0	0	0
Rohde 2b	5	2	2	0	Gott p	0	0	0	0
Portugal p	0	0	0	0	Vizcaino ph	1	0	0	0
LGonzalez ph	1	0	0	0	Walsh p	0	0	0	0
Hernandez p	0	0	0	0	Aase p	0	0	0	0
Anthony ph	1	1	1	3	Poole p	0	0	0	0
Osuna Jr p	0	0	0	0	Samuel ph	1	0	0	0
Davidson ph	1	0	0	0	Holmes p	0	0	0	0
Caminiti 3b	2	0	0	0					
Totals	41	10	12	8	Totals	37	8	11	8

Houston	000 422 110- 10
Los Angeles	340 000 010- 8

E-Murray, Harris, Brooks. DP-Houston 1. LOB-Houston 9, Los Angeles 6.
2B-Rhodes. 3B-Davis. HR-Daniels 2 (23), Anthony (8), Murray (21).
SB-Rhodes (2), Yelding (52).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Portugal	2	7	7	7	2	0
Hernandez	1	0	0	0	0	1
Osuna Jr (W 1-0)	2	1	0	0	0	1
Meyer	2 1-3	1	1	1	2	1
Agosto	2-3	0	0	0	0	0

Smith (S 22)	1	2	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles						
Martinez	4 1-3	8	6	5	0	2
Crews	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Gott (L 2-4)	1	2	2	1	1	1
Walsh	1 2-3	1	2	2	1	3
Aase	0	0	0	0	1	0
Poole	1-3	1	0	0	1	0
Holmes	1	0	0	0	0	0

HBP-by Martinez (Oberkfell). WP-Portugal, Walsh. Balk-Walsh. T-3:24.
A-28,939.

Umpires-Home, Demuth; 1b, Gregg; 2b, Crawford; 3b, Harvey.

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#90248u0283 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 5) UPI - The matchup between Oakland Athletics and Boston Red Sox aces Dave Stewart and Roger Clemens Tuesday night wasn't a duel, it was a suicide. Clemens, who has lost six straight decisions to Stewart, gave the game away with a wild pickoff attempt, a wild pitch and six walks that helped the A's to a 6-2 victory over the Red Sox.

''I just pitched poorly, that's all that needs to be said,'' Clemens explained. ''I was wild. The reason we lost is I pitched so poorly. I ended up cutting my own throat.''

Stewart, 18-10, improved to 4-0 against the Red Sox this season. He allowed six hits, walked three and struck out two in eight innings, and posted his seventh straight win over Boston.

The victory lifted Stewart's mark to 12-5 lifetime over the Red Sox and 6-1 over Clemens. He is 2-0 at Fenway Park against Clemens this season, where the Red Sox ace is 10-0 against the rest of the league.

''I'm not beating Roger Clemens - I'm beating the Boston Red Sox,'' Stewart said after going eight innings for his 18th win, leaving him two shy of his fourth-straight 20-win season. ''I get personal satisfaction in winning, not beating Roger, but winning.

''It's not anything I'm especially proud of and it's not anything Roger Clemens should be ashamed of,'' Stewart said.

Clemens, 20-6, had a personal eight-game winning streak halted and he fell to 3-9 lifetime against Oakland. Clemens walked six, made wild throws to third and first and wild pitched a run home as he lasted 5 1-3 innings,

his shortest outing since June 18.

Clemens hadn't walked three batters in a game since July 20, but he walked three in the first inning and the A's scored twice on one hit. Rickey Henderson and Jose Canseco walked before Harold Baines doubled in a run. Carney Lansford walked to load the bases.

Jamie Quirk then ripped a line drive back to Clemens, who caught the ball and should have had Canseco doubled off third. But Clemens lobbed a toss over the head of third baseman Wade Boggs for an error that allowed a run to score.

Clemens, who threw 31 pitches in the first inning, appeared to be bothered by a blister as the second inning began. He stayed in the game and wasn't scored upon again until the fifth, when he again hurt himself with wildness.

With one out in the fifth, McGee walked and Clemens sent him to third with a wild pickoff attempt and let him come home with a wild pitch.

''A lot of strange things happen in baseball,'' Oakland Manager Tony La Russa said. ''I don't think we feel we have any kind of hold over Roger Clemens. He's pitched some good games against us. A lot of things are tough to explain and I won't spin my wheels trying to explain them.''

Elsewhere in the AL, Seattle knocked off Baltimore 7-2, Detroit passed Toronto 3-1, Chicago halved Kansas City 6-3, Minnesota routed Milwaukee 7-1, and Cleveland nipped Texas 7-5.

In the NL, it was: Atlanta 7, Cincinnati 4; Chicago 3, Montreal 1; Pittsburgh 11, Philadelphia 7; St Louis 1, New York 0; San Francisco 6, San Diego 4; and Houston 10, Los Angeles 8.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Mariners 7, Orioles 2

At Baltimore, Ken Griffey doubled in three runs and collected three hits to spark Seattle and hand the Orioles their fifth straight loss. Erik Hanson, 13-9, spaced four hits over seven innings. Pete Harnisch, 10-10, suffered the loss.

Tigers 3, Blue Jays 1

At Detroit, Alan Trammell's bases-loaded ground-rule double in the seventh lifted the Tigers. Reliever Paul Gibson, 4-4, got the victory with one inning of relief. Mike Henneman pitched the last two for his 20th save. Duane Ward fell to 2-8.

White Sox 6, Royals 3

At Chicago, Dan Pasqua drove in three runs with a double and a single and Bobby Thigpen earned his 48th save for the White Sox. Jack McDowell, 12-6, won his sixth straight decision, the most by a Chicago pitcher since Floyd Bannister strung together nine in a row in 1983. Andy McGaffigan, 3-2, was the loser.

Indians 7, Rangers 5

At Arlington, Texas, home runs by Cory Snyder and Carlos Baerga backed up a strong seven-inning performance from Sergio Valdez to lift Cleveland past Texas and end the Indians' eight-game losing streak. Valdez, 3-5, struck out a career high seven. The loss went to Kevin Brown, 12-10.

Twins 7, Brewers 1

At Milwaukee, reliever Tim Drummond allowed four hits over 5 2-3 innings and Minnesota pounded out 19-hits. Drummond, 3-4, allowed four singles after relieving David West in the third. West did not allow a hit, but left the game with a medial hamstring strain in his left leg. Tom Edens, 3-2, gave up two runs in 4 2-3 innings despite allowing 11 hits.

-30- 4929

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(SEPT.5) UPI - The political resurgence in Florida of former Democratic Sen. Lawton Chiles now targets the campaign of Gov. Bob Martinez, who is trying to become the first Republican governor to be re-elected in that state in more than a century.

Chiles and Martinez captured their respective party gubernatorial nominations in Tuesday's primary voting and will meet in the Nov. 6 general election.

Martinez promises to focus on the future and predicts he will be re-elected easily. Chiles predicted Democratic unity and it was expected that he would continue his populist approach.

With 67 percent of the vote counted, Chiles, 60, led challenger Rep. Bill Nelson 71 percent to 29 percent. Nelson conceded and pledged his support to the Democratic candidate.

In his victory speech at campaign headquarters in Tallahassee, the popular Chiles urged Republicans to join him in repudiating big-money, negative campaign tactics.

''Yesterday I had a feeling that no matter how the race turned out today, we had won. We had shown that people mean more than money,'' Chiles said.

Now supporters are urging him to ''fight fire with fire,'' he said. ''But the real test is whether you trust the people.''

''We've taken the first step. This just shows that if you ask the people to respond, they will,'' Chiles said.

In the GOP primary, Martinez led state Sen. Marlene Woodson-Howard 66 percent to 11 percent. He declared victory.

''We are ready for the next two months. This is not a campaign about memories of yesterday. It's about today and tomorrow,'' Martinez said in an obvious shot at the Democratic nominee.

Four years ago, Martinez became the first Republican in Florida to be elected governor in 20 years, and now he is seeking to become the first GOP incumbent to be re-elected in the Sunshine State since Reconstruction.

Nelson, 47, was favored to win the Democratic nomination until Chiles unexpectedly jumped into the fray.

Chiles, 60, left the Senate in 1989 after a 30-year political career, including 18 years on Capitol Hill. He disclosed this year that he retired from the Senate because of clinical depression and is now being medicated with Prozac.

His campaign was heavily populist and crafted around his refusal to accept any campaign contribution of more than $100.

He predicted that Democrats will be able to close ranks and avoid the sort of internal party bickering which helped Martinez win the governorship four years ago.

''There's a spirit that's different (from 1986),'' Chiles said. ''I think everybody is going to come together. I think it will happen this time.''

The only other state to hold a primary Tuesday was Nevada, where the races were marred by a Monday plane crash that seriously injured two prominent Republican candidates.

State Sen. Sue Wagner, who won the GOP nomination for lieutenant governor, and Bob Seale, winner of a tough race for the state treasurer's office, celebrated their victories in hospital beds in Washoe Medical Center in Reno where they were recovering from multiple injuries.

Acting Gov. Bob Miller easily defeated five political unknowns for the

Democratic gubernatorial nomination and will face political newcomer Jim Gallaway who won an eight-person race for the GOP nomination.

Rep. James Bilbray, D-Nev., in the 1st Congressional District, and Rep. Barbara Vucanovich in 2nd District, rolled to easy victories over token opponents.

In Florida's Broward County, voters rejected an amendment that would have outlawed discrimination in jobs and housing based on sexual orientation. About 58 percent voted no, while only 42 percent voted yes.

Voters in Sarasota County rejected a referendum to impose a two- year moratorium on growth by a margin of nearly 3-1.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 5) UPI - Stock prices continued to plunge Wednesday in Tokyo as fears of higher oil prices and interest rates kept buyers out of the market.

The key Nikkei average of 225 selected issues dropped 829.30 points, or 3.3 percent, to close at 24,078.34 in thin trading. The Nikkei had lost 512.79 points the day before.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index of all major shares sagged 50.30 points, following a 35.54-point loss Tuesday. TOPIX closed at 1,860.08.

Volume continued to be light as an estimated 380 million shares were traded, compared with 331.33 million the day before.

Buyers continued to fear a further rise in interest rates resulting from higher oil prices, the effects of which have yet to filter through the Japanese economy, brokers said.

Following a bearish day on Wall Street, which saw its lightest volume of the year Tuesday, Tokyo stocks fell sharply in the morning session, with the Nikkei dropping 751 points.

Arbitrage selling toward the end of the morning accelerated the decline, brokers said.

In the afternoon session, institutional investors dumped large blocks of shares on the market, driving the Nikkei down by more than 1,200 points.

The cash market went down so fast that futures arbitrageurs reversed positions and began buying stocks in the cash market, brokers said.

In addition, some bargain-hunting took place, trimming the market's loss.

Since the beginning of the week, the Nikkei has lost more than 7 percent, approaching the year's low closing of 23,737.63 it set on Aug. 23.

''It's only natural to have a technical rebound at this point,'' said broker Keiji Ikeda of James Capel Pacific (Securities).

But the overall trend of the market will remain weak, Ikeda predicted.

A lot of people think Japanese stocks are still expensive relative to the current interest rate environment.

The market fell broadly, with blue-chip issues sold heavily.

-30- 2123

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 5) UPI - Actress Irene Dunne, who who achieved fame as a singer, dancer, actress and comedian in the 1930s, and served as a delegate to the United Nations, died Tuesday night. She was 88.

Dunne, who was nominated five times for the Oscar but never won, had been in failing health for the past year and ''her heart gave out'' at her home in the exclusive Holmby Hills section, said her business manager, John Larkin.

Born Dec. 20, 1901, in Louisville, Ky., the daughter of the supervising general of steamships for the United States, Miss Dunne made her stage debut at the age of 5.

Her parents needed opera glasses to see the moppet play Mustard Seed in ''A Midsummer Night's Dream,'' but she said later that until she saw the movie version, ''I thought Mustard Seed was the star of the show.''

She studied piano and voice at the Academy of Fine Arts in Indianapolis and the Chicago Music Academy before trying out for show after show on Broadway.

Her first break came in the musical ''Irene.'' A season with the St. Louis Municipal Opera followed, then ''The Prince Chap,'' ''Lollipop,'' ''Sweetheart Times'' and ''Yours Truly'' in New York.

The pretty redhead retired from the stage when she married a Park Avenue dentist, Dr. Francis Griffin, but at her husband's insistence she continued her voice lessons.

One day in an elevator, she encountered Flo Ziegfeld, who assumed the

regal-appearing young woman was on her way to see him. When she did not get off at his floor, he sent his secretary to fetch her.

The result was a starring role in the road show of ''Showboat,'' the leading role in the film, and the beginning of a screen career that included more than a score of motion pictures.

Her movies included ''Back Street,'' ''The White Cliffs of Dover,'' ''Life With Father,'' ''Magnificent Obsession'' and ''Roberta.''

She was nominated for Academy Awards for ''Theodora Goes Wild,'' ''Cimarron,'' ''I Remember Mama,'' ''The Awful Truth,'' and ''Love Affair.''

A devout Roman Catholic, Miss Dunne was an ardent worker for the Sister Kenny Foundation, the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women and the Committee for the Hebrew University Rebuilding Fund. She was honored by Notre Dame University as an outstanding Roman Catholic.

Often a delegate to Republican National Conventions, she was appointed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower to fill Eleanor Roosevelt's vacated post at the United Nations.

Her 38-year marriage to Griffin was considered one of Hollywood's happiest until his death in 1965, although early in her career they lived on opposite coasts as she made movies here and he continued his dental practice in New York.

After he joined her in Hollywood, they adopted a daughter, now Mrs. Richard Shinnick of Beverly Hills. The daughter, two grandchildren and a great-granddaughter survive.

Larkin said the funeral would be closed. In lieu of flowers, he said Dunne had asked for donations to St. John's Hospital in Santa Monica, which honored her with a statue in front of the building for having raised more than $20 million.

-30- 3312

#90248u0311 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 5) UPI - Nearly 40,000 students in Michigan, Illinois and Pennsylvania received reprieves from the first day of school as at least 2,300 teachers walked off the job in disputes over salary and working conditions.

Strikes also hit colleges in Michigan, Connecticut and Pennsylvania as schools scrambled to carrying on classes using administrators and temporary instructors.

In Michigan, 1,961 teachers in six school districts with a combined enrollment of 33,550 students were on strike. The strikebound school districts included Saginaw, 900 teachers and nearly 16,000 students; Troy, 700 teachers and 11,000 students; Gwinn, 175 teachers and 2,900 students; Cheboygan, 114 teachers and 2,400 students; St. Ignace, 48 teachers and 900 students and Engadine, 24 teachers and 350 students.

In Illinois, about 110 teachers in the Chicago suburb of Darien went on strike with salary as the main sticking point. The district's 1,721 students attended three days of school last week before the strike was called. Teachers voted in late August to go on strike after their contract expired on Aug. 25.

In the Mount Zion district near Decatur, Ill., 117 teachers remained off the job Tuesday in a strike that began last week.

But officials said about 2,200 students in Harrisburg, Ill., and 1,000 in Illini Bluffs, Ill., will be back in school Wednesday with votes by teachers to end their strikes.

Harrisburg's 135 teachers will receive an across-the-board raise of $1,750 in the first year of the contract and $1,500 in the second year. About 60 teachers in the Illini Bluffs school district will receive 8 percent pay increases in both years of a two-year contract.

In Pennsylvania, York County's Dover School District was struck by 184 teachers, idling 3,172 pupils, and the staff at Ligonier Valley School said it planned to strike Wednesday, when 2,691 students were supposed to return to class despite the threatened walkout.

George Badner, spokesman for the state's largest teachers' union, the Pennsylvania State Education Association, said there is no way to know whether unsettled contracts in 78 other school districts will be resolved without strikes.

''You can't make any kind of prediction or summation this early as to how things are going to go,'' Badner said. ''With strikes, you're going to have to take each one as they come up. They're all local issues.''

Professors at Wayne State University in Detroit also hit the picket lines Tuesday, but university officials said the majority of classes would begin Tuesday for the school's 30,000 students despite the walkout.

In Philadelphia, Temple University professors walked picket lines in what they vowed could be a protracted strike unless their demands on wages and benefits are met.

Some 100 unionized professors, librarians and other professionals toted picket signs reading ''Temple Unfair to Education.''

The university did not officially cancel classes for its 34,000 students, but many students left their classes after finding that professors were not there.

In Connecticut, striking professors, secretaries and maintenance workers set up picket lines Tuesday at the University of Bridgeport. Officials vowed to begin classes despite the walkout over wages and benefits.

Classes for about 5,000 students were scheduled to begin Wednesday night and Thursday morning.

The university has a contingency plan that includes hiring replacements and bringing in administrators and other staff qualified to teach and to conduct classes, said attorney John Sabanosh, who represents UB in negotiations.

The unions represent 175 faculty members, 100 maintenance workers and 150 secretaries and clerical workers.

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#90248u0315 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 5) UPI - Playing with patience and determination, the Pirates are on a mission to avoid repeating the mistakes of the past.

In 1988, the Pirates challenged the Mets in the NL East race until unraveling soon after Labor Day. After trading places with the Mets most of the summer, the Pirates regained a half-game lead Tuesday night with a methodical 11-7 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies.

Philadelphia held advantages of 5-0 and 7-3 during the game, but Pittsburgh came back each time, posting two four-run innings to tie and then break the game open.

Bobby Bonilla, whose three-run homer in the sixth capped the scoring, expressed his team's position.

''We had to win. We had no choice,'' Bonilla said. ''We knew we had to win and focus in on tomorrow's double-header.''

The Pirates face the Mets in a three-game series in Pittsburgh starting with Wednesday's double header.

With the Phillies holding a 5-0 lead off Pittsburgh starter Bob Walk in the second, it looked like the Mets would get a chance to increase their

half-game lead. But Jose Lind's RBI single in the second, and Bonilla's run-scoring groundout and Bobby Bonds' RBI single in the third pulled the Pirates to 5-3.

Philadelphia scored two more runs, this time off rookie Mike York, in the fourth, but Pittsburgh came back with four runs in the fifth to tie it 7-7.

Phillies Darrel Ackerfelds, 5-2, then gave up four sixth-inning runs - including Bonilla's homer, his 31st of the season.

Wally Backman scored the first run of the sixth when Andy Van Slyke hit into an unsuccessful fielder's choice. First baseman John Kruk fielded Van Slyke's ball and threw to shorstop Dickie Thon, who dropped it.

''We played good early, but we couldn't pitch in the middle innings, and we didn't turn a double play there and that cost us four runs,'' said Phillies Manager Nick Leyva.

Despite the pressure to retain first place with 28 games to play - eight of them with the Mets, Bonilla is making the most of the see-saw pennant race.

''This is September. I'm smiling. It's a good time of the year,'' Bonilla said. ''Nobody wants to go through what we did last year when you come to the park and there's no feeling, no fans, no nothing.

Bill Landrum, 5-3, two-hit the Phillies over the fifth and sixth as one of four Pirate pitchers in the game. Bob Patterson held Philadelphia to one hit over the last three innings, picking up his fourth save.

In other National League action, Atlanta dropped Cincinnati 7-4, Chicago beat Montreal 3-1, St. Louis blanked New York 1-0, San Francisco edged San Diego 6-4 and Houston downed Los Angeles 10-8.

In the American League it was: Detroit 3, Toronto 1; Seattle 7, Baltimore 2; Oakland 6, Boston 2; Chicago 6, Kansas City 3; Minnesota 7, Milwaukee 1; and Cleveland 7, Texas 5.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Braves 7, Reds 4

At Atlanta, Dave Justice belted two homers to back a combined seven-hitter by Tom Glavine and Kent Mercker and give the Braves their fifth straight victory. Glavine, 7-11, earned his first victory since July 17th. Danny Jackson, 5-3, took the loss.

Cubs 3, Expos 1

At Montreal, Ryne Sandberg belted a tie-breaking two-run homer in the ninth inning, lifting Chicago. Cubs' starter Mike Bielecki, 7-9, went eight innings, gave up eight hits, struck out six and walked four. Paul Assenmacher struck out the side in the ninth for his seventh save. Dennis Martinez, 10-10, went nine innings, allowed four hits and struck out three.

Cardinals 1, Mets 0

At St. Louis, Joe Magrane, Omar Olivares and Lee Smith combined on a five-hit shutout, snapping the Cardinals' four-game losing streak. Magrane 9-15, snapped a personal three-game losing streak, allowing three hits and two walks over five innings while striking out two. Sid Fernandez, 9-11, gave up three hits and two walks, pitching into the eighth.

Giants 6, Padres 4

At San Diego, Bill Bathe slammed a two-run pinch hit homer to snap a seventh inning tie and lift San Francisco. Mike LaCoss, 5-3, went six innings. Atlee Hammaker, 4-7, took the loss in relief of Andy Benes. Benes went the first six, giving up six hits and four runs, walking one and striking out four.

Astros 10, Dodgers 8

At Los Angeles, pinch hitter Eric Anthony belted a three-run homer and Glenn Davis drove in three runs to propel Houston. The defeat was Los Angeles' fourth in five games and kept them 6 1-2 games behind first-place Cincinnati in the NL West. Al Osuna earned the victory - his first big-league decision - while Dave Smith registered his 22nd save. Los Angeles starter Ramon Martinez allowed eight hits and six runs in 4 1-3 innings.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... U-P-I has the latest news. .

The United States made its strongest move yet in the naval blockade of Iraq, seizing an Iraqi freighter that refused orders to return to its port. The ship carrying a load of tea was seized yesterday in the Gulf of Oman. The Pentagon says it was ordered to the port of Muscat, where it's being held. .

President Bush is to leave Washington Friday night for Finland and his one-day summit with Soviet President Gorbachev in Helsinki on Sunday. The Persian Gulf crisis will be the focus. The White House says the goal is

''to show unity and support by the two super- powers'' to stop Iraqi aggression.

NASA says the shuttle Columbia's countdown is proceeding smoothly, with an 80 percent chance of good weather for tomorrow's pre-dawn launch. Fueling begins later today for the long-delayed, 10-day astronomy mission. It's hoped that NO fuel leaks will develop like the ones that grounded Columbia in May.

The lawyer for the main suspect in the Gainesville, Florida, killings says his client's rights may have been violated. Lawyer James Russo says Edward Humphrey was questioned for two hours without a lawyer present. Humphrey also is linked to a 1988 attack that officials say has ''similarities'' to the five Gainesville student slayings.

Yesterday was the first day of school across the nation, but NOT for more than 39-thousand students in districts where teachers are on strike. At least 23-hundred teachers are on the picket lines in walkouts in Michigan, Illinois and Pennsylvania. Salary and working conditions are the main issues.

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#90248u0349 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 5) UPI - Nevada's acting Governor Bob Miller swept to an easy victory in the state's Democratic primary yesterday. He'll face political newcomer Jim Gallaway in November. Gallaway won the G-O-P nomination over seven other men. Miller became acting governor two years ago when Dick Bryan was elected to the Senate.

The two Koreas exchanged proposals today aimed at improving relations. North Korea stressed political and military steps, while South Korea focused on cultural exchanges and cooperation. The proposals were exchanged at an UNprecedented meeting of North and South Korean prime ministers in Seoul.

A federal judge in Los Angeles stunned prosecutors yesterday when he dismissed a massive cash and cocaine payola case against a once- powerful record promoter. The judge says the prosecutors improperly withheld evidence from the defense. The prosecutors say they'll appeal the judge's ruling.

Scientists say they have discovered the first genetic cause of the most common type of arthritis. Researchers from Cleveland and Philadelphia say they found a single genetic flaw that appears responsible for at least one type of osteo-arthritis. The potentially crippling disorder afflicts nearly 16-Million Americans.

Actress Irene Dunne died last night at her home in Los Angeles. Her business manager says she was 88. During her career, Dunne made the transition from Ziegfeld stage star to comedy and drama roles in Hollywood that earned her five Academy Award nominations. She also served one term as a delegate to the United Nations.

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#90248u0353 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 5) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

LONDON - At least 90 former Iraqi captives land in England Wednesday after flying from Jordan aboard a Virgin Atlantic Airways jetliner. The former hostages were among 130 people, including 30 Americans, flown from Baghdad to Amman Tuesday aboard a U.S-chartered Iraqi plane.

A spokeswoman for the U.S. Embassy in London says U.S. consular officials went to Gatwick Airport about 30 miles southeast of London to meet the plane. The spokeswoman said about 30 Americans are expected among the refugees arriving in London but officials at the airport are still trying to compile a list.

U.S. warships, which seized an Iraqi cargo ship carrying tea in the Gulf of Oman Tuesday, closed in on two Iraqi oil tankers in the Gulf region Wednesday. The British Broadcasting Corp. reported the warships would intercept the tankers if they attempted to load oil.

MOSCOW - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz was on his way to the Soviet Union Wednesday to discuss the gulf crisis with Kremlin leaders, the official Tass news agency reported. Quoting a Soviet Foreign Ministry source, Tass said only that Aziz ''arrives in Moscow today for consultations with representatives of the Soviet leadership.'' The surprise visit comes before Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and President Bush meet Sunday in Finland to discuss the crisis that began with Iraq's invasion and occupation of Kuwait Aug. 2.

AMMAN, Jordan - King Hussein, returning home unexpectedly from an extensive foreign tour aimed at finding a negotiated solution to the gulf crisis, was scheduled to depart this week for Baghdad on another diplomatic mission, a government statement said. State-run Amman Radio denied reports that Hussein planned to travel to Moscow to meet President Mikhail Gorbachev prior to the Soviet leader's summit in Finland with President Bush.

WASHINGTON - The United States acknowledges that some goods continue to reach Iraq by overland route through Jordan. But White House spokesman

Marlin Fitzwater insists that is ''not a major problem in terms of the total effectiveness of the sanctions, which we believe are beginning to bite.''

WASHINGTON - Secretary of State James Baker, in the first official report to Congress on Bush administration policy in the Persian Gulf crisis, says Iraq's ''unprovoked aggression is a political test of how the post-Cold War world will work.''

Arab newspapers reported the gulf state of Qatar expelled Palestine Liberation Organization diplomats, further isolating the organization. PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat has backed Saddam, alienating gulf states that have funded him for years.

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#90248u0473 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (SEPT. 5) UPI - The inflation rate fell to 11.1 percent in the Philippines in August for the lowest level since January, the National Statistics Office said Wednesday.

The drop in inflation was achieved despite reports of hoarding and increased prices of prime commodities after the July 16 earthquake that devastated wide areas of northern Philippines.

The average inflation rate during the first seven months of 1990 was 12.97 percent with the peak of 13.6 percent occurring in April. The rate was 12.6 percent in July.

Prices of major commodity groups - especially food, beverages and tobacco - showed lower growth rates, the government said.

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#90248u0505 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - New York Post Publisher Peter Kalikow has threatened to close the 189-year-old newspaper by Sept. 15 unless its 10 unions agreed to major wage and job cuts.

The unions were scheduled to meet Wednesday and Thursday to discuss the demands.

Negotiators for Kalikow met with union officials Tuesday and told them the newspaper had lost $80 million dollars since Kalikow bought it from Rupert Murdoch in 1988.

Richard Nasti, vice president and general manager of the newspaper, said the Post will continue to lose $25 million a year unless concessions are

made.

Nasti said the Sept. 15 deadlne was firm.

''If it gets to that point, we have to give notice, we will cease operations, he said.

Savings measures he suggested included cutting staff, pay and benefits and concessions from Post suppliers.

Nasti promised the management would listen to union alternatives.

Negotiators on both sides agreed to work around the clock to beat the deadline and George McDonald, president of the Allied Printing Trades Council said the unions would do ''whatever's necessary'' to reach an agreement.

Kalikow, a multi-millionaire developer-owner, has been hit financially by a weakened real estate market as well as an industry-wide depression in newspaper advertising sales.

Nasti said the Post's financial books will be open to union leaders, adding that management will meet with individual unions to discuss ''cost-saving proposals.''

''There is no hidden agenda,'' Nasti said. ''They understand that there is a $25 million annual gap that must be filled to allow Peter Kalikow to continue publishing the paper.''

At the same time as the Post meeting, the 10 unions at the Daily News called for advertisers to cancel contracts with that tabloid, which has been negotiating unsuccessfully all year with representatives of more than 2,000 employees.

News management has charged that overmanning and featherbedding have kept the newspaper from being profitable.

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#90248u0552 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 5) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze asked Japan Wednesday to take a broader view in trying to resolve a 45-year territorial dispute blocking the flow of needed Japanese financial and technical aid to the Soviet Union.

On their first day of talks, Shevardnadze and Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama touched only briefly on their common claim to four small, Soviet-held islands off the northern coast of Japan.

Nakayama mentioned Japan's concern over the continued presence of Soviet troops on the islands, which the Soviets have occupied since the end of World War II.

Shevardnadze responded the withdrawal of Soviet forces from the islands should be considered in the framework of Asian security as a whole, not just Japan-Soviet relations, said a senior Japanese Foreign Ministry official who briefed reporters but asked not to be identified by name.

Shevardnadze and Nakayama will continue their discussion of the island dispute in detail Thursday, the last day of talks, the official said.

Japan has been demanding the return of the islands since the end of the war. But the Soviets say Japan lost all rights to the territories when it gave up claims to the Kuril Islands in the 1951 San Francisco Peace Treaty it signed with the United States.

At the end of World War II, the Soviet Union seized the islands and expelled the 17,000 Japanese who lived there.

As a result of the dispute, the Japanese and Soviets have never signed a formal peace treaty ending hostilities.

The issue also has prevented Japan from joining in the general thaw in relations Moscow has enjoyed with other major democracies and is the reason behind Japan's refusal to contribute economic assistance to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's government.

Shevardnadze set forth a plan of confidence-building steps to improve relations gradually. His plan included exchanges between the Japanese and Soviet defense ministries and a request that each country inform the other before engaging in any large military maneuvers, the official said.

Nakayama did not agree or disagree to Shevardnadze's points, but proposed a working-level panel to discuss ways of improving the strained relationship, the officials said.

Shevardnadze and Nakayama also discussed the Persian Gulf crisis at length and issued a joint statement calling for the immediate withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait, which Baghdad invaded Aug. 2, and pledging support for economic sanctions against Iraq.

Shevardnadze said on his arrival Tuesday he hoped his trip will mark a turning point in Japanese-Soviet relations and pave the way for Gorbachev to make a successful trip to Japan in 1991.

Gorbachev has said there would be little reason for him to visit Japan

unless significant progress is made on the island dispute beforehand.

Japanese officials have downplayed the significance of Shevardnadze's trip saying they do not expect either side to alter their basic stance on the island issue.

The islands have little economic importance, apart from the fishing waters around them, but carry tremendous emotional significance for the Japanese.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu told a political rally Monday the issue cannot be set aside for the sake of better relations with the Soviets. Kaifu warned fellow members of his Liberal Democratic Party against optimism for a quick settlement.

Japan has reportedly offered a 10-point plan to swap return of the islands for various points of cooperation, including help for victims of the 1986 Chernobyl nuclear disaster.

But the Soviet Union, while eager for Japanese aid, fears surrendering territory in the Far East could compound its troubles with breakaway republics, analysts said.

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#90248u0597 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 5) UPI - Iraq's foreign minister is on his way to Moscow to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. The Soviet news agency Tass says Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz ''arrives in Moscow today for consultations.'' NO other details were given. President Bush is to meet with Soviet President Gorbachev in Finland on Sunday to discuss the crisis. Iraq formerly was a close ally of Moscow's in the Middle East. .

In Jordan, state-run Amman Radio denies reports that King Hussein plans to travel to Moscow to meet Gorbachev prior to the Bush summit in Helsinki. Hussein returned home unexpectedly yesterday from a trip to North Africa and Europe, where he tried to find a negotiated solution to the Persian Gulf standoff. The government says Hussein leaves this week for Baghdad to inform Iraqi officials about his trip.

Cocaine and marijuana use among American teen-agers apparently is dropping. A new study by the Partnership for a Drug-Free America says cocaine use among teen-agers fell 44 percent in the past year, and marijuana use declined by 27 percent. The study found that there is a growing feeling among teen-agers and adults that illegal drug use ''is NO longer acceptable behavior.''

Florida Governor Bob Martinez says he's ''ready for the next two months.'' Martinez won the Republican gubernatorial primary yesterday and will face

former Democratic Senator Lawton Chiles in the November 6th election. Chiles easily won the Democratic nomination. In Nevada, acting Governor Bob Miller won the Democratic nomination and will face G-O-P candidate Jim Gallaway.

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#90248u0620 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 5) UPI - Salary and working conditions are the main issues in teacher strikes in Michigan, Illinois and Pennsylvania. Nearly 40-thousand students are affected. At least 23-hundred teachers are on the picket lines in those states. Strikes also hit colleges in Michigan, Connecticut and Pennsylvania. But classes start today in two Illinois towns where teachers voted to end their walkouts.

Fire crews from two oil companies are fighting a chemical fire in Deadhorse, Alaska, in a chemical storage facility owned by a Houston-based company. NO injuries have been reported but some workers were evacuated. Deadhorse is the industrial center of Prudhoe Bay. One witness says the fire has now ''simmered down.''

Government scientists say an experimental blood-heating treatment for AIDS appears useless despite early claims of success. Two doctors at Atlanta Hospital earlier said the procedure cleared the AIDS virus from a patient and also shrunk an AIDS-related cancer. But a report by the National Institutes of Health says there appears to be NO evidence to support use of the procedure for AIDS.

The New York Times says eight youths charged in the stabbing death of a tourist from Utah were from a gang in which prospective members had to mug someone to gain admission. The paper says the suspects, accused in the death of 22-year-old Brian Watkins of Provo, Utah, belonged to a Queens gang named F-T-S. Watkins was killed in a Manhattan subway station on Sunday. He and his parents were in New York City to attend the U-S Tennis Open.

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#90248u0681 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 5) UPI - The Soviet news agency Tass reports Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz is on his way to Moscow today to meet with Soviet officials. Baghdad and Moscow have been close allies, but the Soviet Union joined in the worldwide condemnation of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The B-B-C reports U-S warships are closing in on two Iraqi tankers this morning as part of the effort to enforce the U-N trade embargo against Iraq. American forces yesterday seized an Iraqi cargo ship carrying tea in the Gulf of Oman.

The State Department says 30 Americans and 100 foreign nationals arrived at London's Gatwick Airport this morning after leaving Baghdad yesterday. The former hostages arrived stopped over in Jordan on an Iraqi-chartered jet.

Former Democratic Senator Lawton Chiles predicts party unity will land him in the governor's seat come November when he faces incumbent Governor Bob Martinez. Chiles and Martinez were victorious in yesterday's primaries.

NASA engineers at Cape Canaveral will fuel the shuttle Columbia today in preparation for tomorrow morning's pre-dawn launch. The twice-delayed astronomy mission will carry a seven-member crew.

With Columbia set to blast-off, the shuttle Discovery was brought out to its launchpad this morning in preparation for next month's launch. Discovery will send the European-made Ulysses solar probe into orbit.

The attorney for the main suspect in the murders of five students in Gainesville, Florida, says his client's rights may have been violated. He says investigators questioned his client without the presence of a lawyer.

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#90248u0687 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (SEPT. 5) UPI - Miss Texas, Suzanne Lawrence, won the talent competition and Miss Colorado, Karrie Mitchell, won the swimsuit contest Tuesday in the first round of preliminary competition in the 1991 Miss America Pageant.

Lawrence won the talent competition by singing Patsy Cline's ''Sweet Dreams.''

The quest for the 64th Miss America began Tuesday with the first of three nights of preliminary competition, during which the 50 contestants split into three groups and rotated through the talent, swimsuit, evening gown and interview competitions.

While the winner of the swimsuit and talent contests are announced each night, the results of the evening gown-interview preliminaries are kept secret in an effort to maintain suspense over the identities of the 10 finalists.

Those names will be announced during Saturday night's nationally televised finals, which culminates in Miss America 1990 Debbye Turner's ceremonial crowning of her successor.

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#90248u0693 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 5) UPI - The New York Times reports the eight youths charged in the weekend stabbing death of a 22-year-old Utah tourist on a Manhattan subway platform were part of a gang. The paper says prospective members had to mug someone before being admitted into the gang.

Prosecutors in Riverhead, New York, say a burglar seeking money for a trip stabbed a woman as she slept and then sat on her body and counted her heartbeats until she died. The incident occurred last month.

The judge in the pending murder trial of Christian Brando was removed from the case yesterday after prosecutors filed an affidavit of prejudice against him. The judge reduced Brando's bail from 10-Million to two-Million dollars.

Some 40-thousand students in Michigan, Illinois and Pennsylvania are taking it easy these days instead of starting a new school year. At least 23-hundred teachers are off the job in disputes over salary and working conditions.

The Children's Defense Fund says state governments need to regulate child care operations to assure health and safety protections. Nearly three-Million American youngsters are in out-of-home child care settings while their parents work.

Researchers say they have discovered the first genetic cause of the most typical form of arthritis- a painful disorder affecting nearly 16- Million Americans. The discovery could pave the way for treatments to directly attack the disease.

Actress Irene Dunne is dead at the age of 88. Dunne's business manager says ''her heart gave out'' last night in her Los Angeles home. Dunne received five Oscar nominations and appeared in ''Showboat'' and ''Life With Father.''

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#90248u0725 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (SEPT. 5) UPI - North Korea Wednesday called for joint military cutbacks and the gradual withdrawal of American troops from South Korea as the two sides began historic talks aimed at improving relations and ending the 45-year-old division of the Korean peninsula.

The South Korean package included a draft basic agreement for improved relations, moves toward cultural exchanges and cooperation, measures to build up political and military trust and steps to implement arms cuts.

The North, stressing both political and military steps for improved relations between the two sides, called for joint membership in the United Nations, arms cuts envisioning an eventual forces level of 100,000 for each and the release of jailed dissidents in the South.

The two sides presented their ideas for improvement of relations when South Korean Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon and his Northern counterpart, Yon Hyong-muk, got together in the unprecedented meeting.

Kang said the two Koreas now must express a determination and agreement to end mistrust and confrontation and manage and advance rational relations under conditions of stability. Their aim should be peaceful unification of the land, which was divided in 1945, he said.

Kang and Yon put forth their own proposals without going into debate. The meeting proceeded in a cordial atmosphere although there were some unmistakable gaps in their stands.

''Most urgent of all, are the questions of sharing one seat in the United Nations, ceasing Team Spirit military exercises (involving South Korean and U.S. forces) and releasing those jailed (in the South) for visiting the North,'' Yon said.

''If the political and military confrontation is resolved, there can be wide-reaching cooperation and exchanges in economic, cultural and various social fields, based on true mutual trust.''

The two sides differed in details of the proposed arms and manpower cuts.

They were in agreement that slander against each other be stopped, a joint non-aggression declaration be made, a telephone hotline be installed between top military authorities of both sides, and arms and troop reductions be pushed.

Southern officials said the Team Spirit exercises are of defensive nature and release of jailed dissidents is an internal affair of the South.

''If they persist in their stand on these two issues, it will be difficult to produce agreement between the two sides,'' one official said.

Thursday's session at the Intercontinental Hotel in the South Korean capital was to be held in private.

The South Wednesday placed considerable emphasis on exchanges. Kang sought all possible forms of economic cooperation including joint ventures for manufacturing and joint development of resources.

Kang also sought agreement to help reunite dispersed family members, to

reconnect severed railroads and roads between the two sides and to get permanent liaison missions opened in each other's capitals.

Those talks are scheduled for Oct. 16-19 in North Korea.

Kang proposed Wednesday that both sides turn their offensive military structure into a defensive one, agree to keep equal numbers of troops and weapons, and reduce the size of their troops in accordance with their arms reductions.

Yon was more specific. He asked that forces cutbacks be carried out over three to four years in three phases, reducing the size to 300,000 for each in the first stage, to 200,000 in the second phase and to 100,000 finally.

He also proposed that 43,000 U.S. troops be withdrawn from South Korea in proportion to arms cuts by the two Koreas, all nuclear weapons be removed to turn the Korean peninsula into a nuclear-free zone, and no nuclear arms be produced or procured.

The North demanded specifically that the Team Spirit exercises be restricted, at least for the next two or three years if not for good.

The two Koreas agreed in principle that the current armistice setup in existence since the 1950-53 Korean War be replaced by a permanent peace arrangement.

Kang proposed that a meeting between South Korean President Roh Tae-woo and his North Korean counterpart, Kim Il-sung, be arranged for a full accord on all pending issues.

Yon repeated a North Korean proposal for a confederation of the two Koreas and also offered the establishment of a joint North-South military committee to settle military disputes.

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#90248u0727 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - The National Apartment Association called on apartment owners Wednesday to honor lease agreements with military personnel dispatched to Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf.

''President Bush has asked these fine men and women to make the ultimate sacrifice in service of their country,'' said Jerry Warshaw, president of the industry association.

''It behooves us, whose residents are serving in the Persian Gulf states, to show similar patriotic support for the sacrifices they are making on our behalf,'' Warshaw said.

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#90248u0743 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 5) UPI - Rocket engineers readied the shuttle Columbia for fueling Wednesday, setting the stage for a long-delayed predawn blastoff Thursday, NASA's first in four months.

Running more than three months behind schedule because of a hydrogen fuel leak, Columbia's seven-man crew is scheduled to thunder away on a 10-day astronomy mission at 1:20 a.m. Thursday.

The flight was delayed a week ago because of trouble with an on- board telescope but test director Mike Leinback said at a morning status briefing that everything was moving smoothly toward the rescheduled start of the Astro-1 mission.

''I've been through the (control center) firing room this morning,'' Leinback said. ''The mood is very upbeat. Everyone's very anxious for this mission. We're not tracking any problems at this time at all.''

A massive service tower was moved away from Columbia before sunrise. That cleared the way for the late afternoon start of the critical fuel loading operation.

Should any leaks show up like those that grounded Columbia in May and Atlantis in July, NASA's launchless summer would drag on into the fall and raise questions about shuttle maintenance and reliability.

Few shuttle crews have had as much trouble getting off the ground as Columbia's, but officials said the orbiter's third countdown in as many months was proceeding smoothly, with an 80 percent chance of good weather at launch time Thursday.

Commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46, plan to spend 10 days in space studying the most violent objects in the universe with a $150 million battery of high-tech telescopes.

NASA plans to follow Columbia's mission by launching the shuttle Discovery in early October on a high-priority $750 million flight to send the European-built Ulysses solar probe into an orbit around the poles of the sun.

Engineers hauled Discovery to launch pad 39B Tuesday night to ready the ship for liftoff amid concern about an apparent leak in one of the shuttle's two primary Freon cooling systems that threatens to delay the

critical mission.

NASA officials hope the problem can be fixed at the launch pad, but with only one day of spare time built into Discovery's launch processing schedule, the ship's Oct. 5 target data would appear in jeopardy. If Ulysses is not off the ground by Oct. 23, it will be grounded for 13 months to achieve the proper trajectory to the sun.

Columbia's mission is primarily devoted to the realm beyond the solar system. And unlike Ulysses and the Hubble Space Telescope, the instruments making up the Astro-1 observatory will remain in Columbia's payload bay throughout the flight, operated around the clock by the astronauts and scientists on Earth.

The flight represents the most ambitious attempt ever made to study high-energy X-rays and ultraviolet light from deep space, radiation that is blocked by Earth's atmosphere. The results of the Astro-1 mission may help scientists understand the forces that power such cosmic enigmas as quasars, supernovae and theorized but-as-yet-unseen black holes.

The mission originally was scheduled for launch March 6, 1986, but Columbia was grounded by the Challenger disaster.

Columbia was grounded again the night before its planned May 30 launch when sensors detected hydrogen gas spewing into the shuttle's engine room. Subsequent tests blamed the leak on damaged seals inside a massive 17-inch-wide ''disconnect'' fitting that allows the external fuel tank to be jettisoned in space.

The damage apparently was caused by scratches from tiny glass beads that somehow got into the fitting, possibly during its construction.

Columbia was equipped with a disconnect asssembly taken from the new shuttle Endeavour and, after the shuttle Atlantis was grounded by a similar leak in July, Columbia was cleared for another launch attempt.

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Birmingham pc	95	69	....
Bismarck pc	88	55	.42
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Buffalo cy	77	61	.83
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Hartford cy	79	59	....
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Richmond pc	86	67	....

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San Antonio pc	95	76	....
San Diego pc	80	69	....
San Francisco sy	74	58	....
San Juan ts	90	77	.59
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Tampa pc	93	72	....
Washington pc	86	71	....
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f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90248u0775 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 5) UPI - A series of chemical explosions ripped through an oil field service facility near Prudhoe Bay, Alaska, causing a fire and creating a toxic cloud. Hundreds of workers were evacuated, but NO injuries were reported. Firefighters are battling the blaze, which officials say began last night in a shop operated by a firm that prepares oil drilling sites.

Thunderstorms that uprooted trees with winds of more than 70 miles-an-hour continued to pound south-central Louisiana early today. Hail, high winds and possibly waterspouts battered areas west of New Orleans. Elsewhere, clear skies and high temperatures covered much of the nation.

A federal judge in Los Angeles threw out a massive cash and cocaine payola case against a once-powerful record promoter yesterday. Judge James Ideman says government prosecutors improperly withheld key evidence from the defense. Prosecutors say they'll appeal the judge's ruling that they engaged in ''outrageous government conduct.''

Four people are dead in a family dispute in Nebraska. Authorities say a farmer apparently upset about marital problems and a family feud shot his wife, son and another woman, and then drove to a trailer home and killed himself. The other three bodies were found at the home owned by 74-year-old James Brezina and his 73-year-old wife.

Good news for Supreme Court nominee David Souter. The American Bar Association gave Souter its highest rating of ''well qualified.'' A-B-A spokesman Ralph Lancaster told Senate Judiciary Committeee Chairman Joseph Biden yesterday that Souter is ''well qualified for appointment to the Supreme Court of the United States.''

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#90248u0797 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for September 4: Purchases of 284,243 shares and sales of 378,633 shares including 32,791 shares sold short.

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#90248u0799 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - Kuwait's government-in-exile came to the financial rescue of six families of Persian Gulf hostages who are not receiving paychecks from their employer, Midland, Texas-based OGE Drilling Co.

Officials at the Kuwaiti Embassy in Washington issued a ''monetary gift'' Tuesday to the families with instructions that the amount not be made public.

Meanwhile, OGE executives said they have come up with about $20,000 as an advance on the hostages' salaries. The company last week said it had no money to issue checks on a scheduled Sept. 1 pay day.

Faisal Al-Kazemi, economic counselor at the Kuwaiti Embassy, refused to discuss whether the Kuwaiti payment would be repeated if OGE misses additional payrolls.

He said his government would not be able to help the 10 employees who escaped from Kuwait after the invasion and now find themselves laid off by OGE.

''We are sorry for them, but with the limited resources available to us, we are helping only the more difficult cases,'' said Al-Kazemi.

Donnita Cole, wife of OGE drilling superintendent John Henry Cole of Odessa, Texas, said, ''I am very, very grateful. It will make this month pass without worry,'' about how to pay the bills.

Patricia Hale of Spring, Texas, whose husband, Edward Hale, also is an OGE employee and hostage, called the Kuwaiti action ''a really nice gesture on their part. That pretty well covers the August paycheck,'' Hale said.

Of the 10 employees who fled the invasion, four have found jobs through OGE on U.S. projects, three have found other work, one is awaiting word on a position, one has filed for unemployment compensation and one is ''still waiting to see what happens over there,'' said OGE drilling coordinator Bill Schaub.

OGE executives said the $20,000 they issued to the six hostage employees' families was money that normally would be the profits or operating funds from their parent company, OGS Engineering Inc., a drilling consulting firm.

OGE specializes in providing drilling supervisors and superintendents to the state-run Kuwait Oil Co. OGE spokesmen have maintained they cannot pay the hostages' salaries until they receive money from Kuwait Oil.

Schaub said Tuesday that each of the six families would receive $3,200 ''as an advance against salaries and expenses we hope to recover from the Kuwait Oil Co.''

''We've been sending invoices to the Kuwait Oil Co., and it has been our intention that, whenever those funds come to us, we'd pay the salaries,'' Schaub said.

OGE was attempting to recover funds wired to its employees' Kuwaiti bank accounts in the days before the invasion, he added.

''When the invasion occurred, we contacted our bank and successfully stopped the wire transfer,'' Schaub said. ''The funds were stopped in a Kuwaiti bank in New York.''

But OGE could not obtain access to the money because the United States government froze all Kuwaiti assets in this country, he said, adding that Kuwait Oil owes his company $510,000.

Schaub also said his company would continue to pay the health insurance bills for the families through Feb. 1, 1991, the date OGE's contract with Kuwait Oil expires.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - The Iraqi News Agency reports Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz arrived in Moscow today for meetings with Kremlin officials. Moscow and Baghdad have been close allies, but a Western diplomat in Cairo says the Iraqis are surprised the Soviets have sided with the United States in the Persian Gulf crisis. Aziz's visit to Moscow comes just days before President Bush meets with Soviet President Gorbachev in Helsinki, Finland, on Sunday.

Iraq says it will continue working to find an ''Arab solution'' to end the crisis. The Iraqi News Agency quotes an Iraqi government spokesman as saying the presence of Western troops in the region complicates the situation and ''would lead to an explosion in the region... threatening the interests of its countries and other world states.''

Several chemical explosions ripped through an oil service field in Deadhorse, Alaska, last night, igniting a fire and spewing a toxic cloud that forced hundreds of workers to flee this morning. There were NO reports of any injuries and oil production was NOT disrupted. Deadhorse is an oil industry service center for Prudhoe Bay and the other North Slope oil fields that produce one-fourth of the domestic oil supply.

Summer vacation continues for nearly 40-thousand students in Michigan, Illinois and Pennsylvania. Disputes over salary and working conditions have prompted at least 23-hundred teachers to go on strike. Some college professors in Connecticut, Michigan and Pennsylvania also are on strike, causing schools to conduct classes using administrators and temporary instructors.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - The shuttle Columbia is set to take off early tomorrow morning from Cape Canaveral on a 10-day astronomy mission. NASA officials say the countdown is proceeding smoothly and engineers will begin fueling the shuttle today. Columbia's seven-member crew will use a 150-Million-dollar set of telescopes to study ultra-violet rays and high-energy X-rays.

Former Democratic Senator Lawton Chiles will square off against Florida Governor Bob Martinez in November. Both politicians easily captured their respective party gubernatorial nominations in Florida's primaries yesterday. Martinez hopes to become the first Republican governor re-elected in Florida in more than 100 years and says his campaign will focus on the future. Chiles predicts Democratic unity will help him win.

A 13-year-old boy accused of setting fire to 12-year-old David Opont last March is scheduled to go on trial today in New York City in a case that

drew national attention. The boy allegedly dragged Opont into a Flatbush basement and tried to force him to smoke something Opont thought was drugs. The attacker then set fire to Opont's clothing, burning him over 55 percent of his body.

Actress Irene Dunne died last night at her Los Angeles home at the age of 88. Dunne's business manager says ''her heart gave out.'' Dunne made her stage debut at five years old and went on to achieve fame as a singer, dancer, actress and comedienne. She appeared in many films, including ''Showboat'' and ''The White Cliffs of Dover.'' Dunn also served as a delegate to the United Nations.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (SEPT. 5) UPI - NATO foreign ministers meet next Monday for a briefing by Secretary of State James Baker on the Helsinki superpower summit, the alliance said Wednesday.

There is the possibility President Bush also will come to the NATO session following his summit Sunday with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, a NATO source said.

The meeting of foreign ministers will continue the Western alliance's discussions on the Persian Gulf crisis, NATO said. The United States has used regular meetings at NATO headquarters to push its allies into a greater role in the region.

At a special meeting of NATO ambassadors last Monday, the United States requested ships and aircraft to help move troops and equipment into the gulf as part of its massive military deployment. Italy, Britain and Portugal said they would comply.

NATO ambassadors, meanwhile, met again Wednesday to discuss the gulf crisis. U.S. ambassador Robert Taft thanked the three countries which agreed to supply ships and expressed hope that other nations could soon make similar commitments.

Another special meeting of NATO ambassadors is slated for Friday, with briefings on the deployment of American troops in the gulf by a U.S. assistant secretary of state and a representative of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

The gulf is widely believed to be ''out of area'' for NATO, though some read the NATO charter as allowing joint action anywhere against threats to NATO members' security.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher last week said NATO must be able

to act against new threats that arise in the post-Cold War world.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - Proler International Corp. said the option it has held since December to buy the idled U.S. Steel plant in Baytown, Texas has expired.

David Sonnier, vice president and chief financial officer at Proler, would not say Tuesday how much money the company got back out of the abandoned plan to develop a mini-mill producing flat-rolled steel at the plant.

The plant, about 25 miles east of Houston, has been closed since 1986. It employed 2,000 people at its peak.

Proler's last annual 10-K filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission said the company had invested about $4.2 million, including refundable deposits, in the project since the end of its fiscal year on Jan. 31, 1990.

The 10-K filing provides for disclosure of total sales, revenue and pretax operating income, as well as sales for separate lines of products. Form 10-K becomes public information when filed with the SEC.

Sonnier said Proler deposited additional funds for the proposed purchase after Jan. 31 into a USX escrow account so the total amount of funds paid down for the deal was higher than $4.2 million.

The letter of intent to purchase land and the melt shop facilities at the plant expired Aug. 31, said Sonnier.

The revived plant was to be run by a joint venture known as Buffalo Steel, a partnership of Birmingham Steel Corp., Proler and Danieli & C. Officine Meccaniche of Milan, Italy.

Under the joint venture, Birmingham Steel was to be the operating partner, Proler would have owned 35 percent interest and supplied raw materials and Danieli would have built new steel rolling equipment for the plant.

Steve Sobat, spokesman for USX in Fairfield, Ala., would not comment Tuesday on whether USX had any other potential buyers lined up for the Baytown plant.

Sonnier said that if USX Corp., parent of U.S. Steel, eventually finds another buyer for the plant, Proler likely would benefit by becoming a partner with the new buyer or by at least selling raw materials to the plant.

Proler is one of the largest suppliers of scrap metal in the Houston area.

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DENVER (SEPT. 5) UPI - Former Denver developers Ken Good and Bill Walters, key figures in the failure of Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan, have refused to appear before a congressional hearing to explain how they maintain an affluent lifestyle, it was reported Wednesday.

The Denver Post said Good and Walters, who told Congress earlier this year they had a ''negative net worth,'' defaulted on about $130 million in loans from Silverado, a thrift that failed in 1988. One of its former directors was Neil Bush, son of President Bush.

The developers earlier agreed to voluntarily testify Thursday before a House Banking Commmittee subcommittee to explain how they can maintain expensive lifestyles if they don't have any money.

Committee chairman Rep. Frank Annunzio, D-Ill., said he will seek a subpoena to force Good and Walters to appear before the committee later. A subpoena would require a vote of the majority of the Democrats on the panel, as well as approval of the full committee.

Walters refused to appear Thursday because he couldn't get a guarantee that the hearing would be closed to the public, according to subcommittee spokesman Tom Seppy.

A spokesman for Good said he had a scheduling conflict.

Both men told the House Banking Committee in June that they once were worth more than $100 million, but now had a ''negative net worth.''

The committee has since discovered that Good owns a $450,000 home near Tampa, Fla., a lot in the same subdivision worth $3,422, a 1984 Maserati, and an $800,000 promissory note from his former home construction company, Gulfstream Housing Corp., which is secured by a resort home in Vail, Colo.

Walters reportedly is living in a $1.9 million estate in Orange County, Calif., owned by a trust whose beneficiary is his wife, Jacqueline.

Walters' wife also owns a $250,000 trailer at Laguna Beach, Calif., and a $1 million condominium at the Vintage Club in Indian Wells, near Palm Springs, Calif.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 5) UPI - Widespread buying supported the grain market early today.

Soybeans were higher and grain futures were mostly higher at midmorning on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Some of the demand for corn and soybeans was attributed to carryover from Tuesday's late rally. Additional support came from the weekly crop reports indicating crop development continues behind normal in much of the Grain Belt.

Forecasts for above-normal temperatures the rest of the week also kept a floor under corn and soybean values.

Soybean products were supported by overnight sales of soybean oil to Pakistan and soybean meal to the Philippines.

Wheat futures were higher on a slight pick-up in export business. Commercials were the main buyers on indications the market was oversold, but gains were limited by adequate supplies around the world.

Country movement was light except for moderate farmer selling of corn and beans in the western Corn Belt.

Interior and Gulf basis levels were steady.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.42 3/4 up 2; Dec 2.35 1/4 up 1; Mar 2.44 up 3/4.

Soybeans Sep 6.11 up 3; Nov 6.25 1/2 up 1 1/4; Jan 6.39 up 1 1/2; Mar 6.52 1/2 up 2.

Wheat Sep 2.62 up 5 3/4; Dec 2.78 3/4 up 4 1/2; Mar 2.90 1/2 up 4 1/4.

Oats Sep 1.08 3/4 up 1; Dec 1.19 3/4 up 1/4; Mar 1.31 1/4 up 1/4.

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#90248u0930 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
ELKHART, IN (SEPT. 5) UPI - State and local officials are trying to help a union that wants to preserve about 700 jobs at an American Home Products Corp. plant, in case the company starts making the plant's major products elsewhere, a newspaper reported Wednesday.

The plant makes such popular non-prescription medical products as Anacin, a headache pain remedy, and Preparation H, a hemorrhoid cream. The

situation was reported in The Indianapolis Star.

Connie S. Malloy, president of Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers Union Local 7-515, said Tuesday the union expects the company to announce on Friday plans to shift some operations out of Elkhart. She said she expects the company toeventually close the plant.

The Indiana Department of Employment and Training Services is exploring whether other companies might have work that could be done at the plant, or if employees might be able to buy the factory, said Stephen S. Sellers, spokesman for IDETS. He said job-training program officials have agreed to spend up to $10,000 in Job Training Partnership Act funds on seeking the alternative work.

Elkhart Mayor James P. Perron said company executives told him in April of tentative plans to phase out the factory over a three-year period.

Various sources indicated they believe American Home Products wants to move production to Puerto Rico to gain certain income tax exemptions for promoting economic growth in Puerto Rico and other U.S. territories.

Company spokeswoman Carol Emerling said a company review of plans for the factory will be released soon this month.

Malloy said the union believes the company will announce plans Friday to move Anacin production out of Elkhart. She said she expects no closing plans for the factory to be announced until after Sept. 15, when a new labor contract takes effect that requires a one-year notice of a plant closing.

Anacin products amount to about half the factory's production, she said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.00-83.00 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 133.005-137.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $250.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50- 4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $110.00-$115.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $484.50-$490.00; dealer- approx., $486.00-$488.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 275.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock				
ERLY Industries Inc	..	10PC	9-17	8-24
Sunrise Bancorp Inc	..	5PC	10-17	10-3
Initial				
Sunrise Bancorp Inc	Q	.12 1/2	10-17	10-3
Usual				
AIM Strategic Incm Fd	M	.08	9-24	9-14
Brenco Inc	Q	.05	10-1	9-14
Premier Industrial	Q	.10	10-10	9-21
United Bankshares	Q	.19	10-1	9-14

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 5) UPI - Bulk selling prices reported by USDA:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 57-63.

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#90248u0959 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
SYRACUSE, NY (SEPT. 5) UPI - A phrase has been added to a memorial wall dedicated to 35 Syracuse University students killed in the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 specifying the jet was destroyed by a terrorist bomb.

The change was made because some parents at the April dedication were upset that the memorial originally did not make it clear whether the disaster was an act of nature or terrorism.

The words ''caused by a terrorist bomb'' were added to the inscription last week, said Darryl Geddes, a spokesman for Syracuse University.

The students were among 270 people killed Dec. 21, 1988, when a bomb investigators believe was planted by terroists exploded while the jet was in flight over Lockerbie, Scotland.

The explosion and crash killed all 259 people aboard the aircraft and 11 people on the ground.

The inscription on the wall now reads:

''This Place of Rememberance is dedicated to the memory of the 35 students enrolled in Syracuse University's Division of International Programs Abroad who died with 235 others as a result of a plane crash December 21, 1988, over Lockerbie, Scotland, caused by a terrorist ''ver L

The limestone wall, which sits on a plaza behind steps leading to the university's main campus, also includes a list of the students' names.

''We were confronted by a small group of parents who felt that the university had been most insensitive in their failure to specifically

identify the cause of the crash as a terrorist bombing, and thereby allowing the event to be viewed as an accident,'' said Ronald Cavanagh, vice president for undergraduate studies.

''They felt that the act was one of murder, a malicious act. They wanted it clearly identified, and that there should be a sense that folks of good conscience ought to pursue the perpetrators.''

The university intends to send photographs of the reworked inscription to parents of the victims, he said.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 5) UPI - Robert McTeer Jr., senior vice president at the Baltimore branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, was named president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.

He is scheduled to resume his new duties Feb. 1.

McTeer, named to the position Tuesday, will replace Robert Boykin, who plans to retire after 37 years at the Dallas bank, including 10 years as head of one of the 12 regional reserve banks that make up the nation's central bank.

The Federal Reserve manages the country's money supply and provides regulatory supervision for depository institutions.

The Federal Reserve division in Dallas supervises Texas and portions of northern Louisiana and southern New Mexico. It employs about 1,100 people locally and another 500 people in three regional offices in Houston, San Antonio and El Paso.

Boykin started at the Dallas bank in 1953 with the institution's legal department and was promoted to assistant counsel in 1959. Following a variety of assignments, Boykin was named first vice president of the Dallas bank in 1976 and became president on Jan. 1, 1981.

McTeer, 47, has 22 years with the Federal Reserve, where he started as an economist with the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond. He has handled assignments ranging from senior officer of the bank's Fiscal Agency and Securities Department, to special assistant to the president and first vice president. McTeer has been senior vice president in charge of the Baltimore branch since 1980.

McTeer's responsibilities include overseeing construction of Federal Reserve's new headquarters near downtown Dallas. The 764,000- square-foot headquarters, scheduled to be completed by early 1992, is slated to cost

between $100 million and $200 million.

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#90248u0988 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

WISCASSET, ME (SEPT. 5) UPI - Police and animal shelter officials said Wednesday they are worried the disappearance of dozens of cats in Lincoln County might mean the animals are being stolen either for medical research or satanic rituals.

No one has found any evidence the cats are being sacrificed or sold to medical labs, officials said. But they said the sheer number of missing cats indicates something out of the ordinary is happening to the animals.

''There are sections of the county that are really being hit hard, and it's more than just an attack by another animal or being run over by a car '' Lincoln County Sheriff William Carter said.

Ann Harford, manager of the Lincoln County Animal Shelter, said more than 50 cats have been reported missing since mid-July, far more than usual.

Most of the cats have disappeared during daylight hours from porches, driveways, yards and other areas near their homes.

''Most of these cats have turned up missing during the daylight hours, while people are not at home,'' Harford said. ''It is not like the cats went out and became missing overnight.''

''Also, many of the cats are animals that the owners never expected to wander off,'' she said.

Both Harford and Carter said the cats might have been taken for use in satanic rituals, a possibility that Carter said he recently discussed with state animal welfare officials.

''We are looking at that, of course. We have discussed that,'' Carter said. ''This does happen. We know what they need cats for.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - Rural America is likely to lose some congressional seats as a result of the 1990 census, but the change is unlikely to significantly undercut the political power of the farm bloc, analysts and lobbyists say.

The steady decline in the number of rural residents since the Great Depression, when one-fourth of Americans lived on the farm and there were

6.8 million farms, has led to recurrent predictions of the downfall of the farm bloc. Nonetheless, farm-state legislators continue to bring home the bacon.

Just in recent years, they persuaded Congress to pass two disaster- relief bills and, during floor debate this summer on the new farm policy bill, won on all but two relatively minor amendments.

A highly touted challenge that would have denied crop support payments to large farmers was defeated by a 100-vote margin in the House, where seats are apportioned on the basis of population.

There have been recent estimates that this year's census will lead to 19 House seats shifting among states. The Midwest, Deep South and Northern Plains, which include major farming and ranching regions, are considered most vulnerable to loss of seats. The West, Southwest and Southeast are likely to gain seats.

''There are definitely going to be (fewer) rural seats in Congress, no question about it,'' said Brad Eckart, director of political education for the American Farm Bureau, who disagreed with suggestions of a decline in farm clout.

Eckart noted that virtually all senators have farm constituents and that in the House, lawmakers recognize the breadth of the agricultural and food industries.

The Agriculture Department says agriculture accounts for about 17 percent of the gross national product.

One reason for the enduring strength of the farm bloc, lobbyist John Gordley said, is the jurisdiction of the House and Senate Agriculture Committees. In addition to the farm program, the panels oversee the futures markets, national forests, public feeding programs and school lunches.

Programs like food stamps help the panels win urban support for farm-related bills, a fact Rep. Major Owens, D-N.Y., noted during July's debate on farm subsidies. ''We have kept the faith,'' Owens said, but it was time for reform.

''It is the agriculture committees that are the bastions of agricultural influence in this town,'' Gordley said. ''The agriculture committees will be there even if'' there are fewer congressmen from farm districts.

Rather than demographic trends, Gordley said the more immediate political threat is budget pressure to curtail farm spending.

About one-fourth of the U.S. population lives in rural areas, with about 5 million people on the farm.

Calvin Beale, an Agriculture Department demographer, said he had expected the 1980s to show a slight growth in the rural population but the preliminary Census Bureau figures ''make me wonder if that will be the case or not.''

Beale said the 1980s might ''prove to be intermediate'' between the record of the 1960s, when rural areas showed a net loss of about 1.7 million people, and the 1970s, when a net immigration of about 4.5 million people sparked talk of a rural renaissance.

''Whatever we come up with is going to pale in comparison with the 1950s '' when rural figures dropped by 5.5 million people, Beale said.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - School bells are ringing throughout the country, but teachers in many states have more pressing problems. Teachers are out on picket lines in Michigan, Illinois and Pennsylvania. The walkouts involve at least 23-hundred teachers and affect nearly 40-thousand students. The disputes center on money and working conditions.

Police say a farmer upset about marital problems apparently shot his wife, his son and another woman before killing himself near Octavia, Nebraska. A prosecutor says police believe James Brezina shot the three and called police to report the shotgun killings... then drove to a lake-side trailer home where he apparently shot himself to death. Officials say Brezina's wife recently filed for legal separation and the couple had quarreled about land.

Hundreds of oil workers fled when an explosion and fire created a toxic cloud near Alaska's Prudhoe Bay. Chemical fire fighters battled a fire ignited by a series of chemical explosions last night in an oil service facility. Officials say the fire started in a shop run by Dowell Schlumberger, a firm involved in preparing oil drilling sites. NO one was injured. There was NO disruption of oil production at the North Slope oil fields.

Forecasters are keeping an eye on a new tropical depression that has formed out in the Atlantic off the west coast of Africa. It is the 10th of the year and comes at the height of the traditional hurricane season. So far the tropical depression presents a problem to NO one.

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DETROIT (SEPT. 5) UPI - The weekly trade paper Metalworking News has folded after 30 years of publishing, effective with the Sept. 3 edition, its editors said Wednesday.

Kenneth Moore, the paper's editor-in-chief, blamed a weak economy and lower advertising levels for the closing of the paper, which tracked equipment and material orders placed by steel-intensive companies like car makers.

''The economy this year turned soft again and the company made a business decision to cease publication,'' Moore said.

Metalworking News was sold to Hitchcock Publishing Co. of Carol Stream, Ill., a division of Capital Cities ABC Publishing in New York. There had been plans to combine it with another steel industry publication this October.

Metalworking News began in 1960 as a weekly published by Fairchild in New York. Through the 1970s and 1980s, it was part of American Metal Market, a daily publication. In early 1987 it was decided to spin off Metalworking News as an independent publication, bolstered by the turnaround in the economy and manufacturing sector.

Metalworking News had a circulation of about 77,000, but less than half of those were paid subscriptions, Moore said. Paid subscribers will receive American Metal Market for the balance of their subscriptions.

Metalworking News employed eight editors and reporters and 10 others in non-editorial jobs.

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#90248u1021 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - On the eve of the release of the nation's health goals for the year 2000, a look Wednesday at the 226 goals set in 1980 for 1990 show about half were met, 26 percent were not and there was inadequate data to assess the rest.

''I think we've done quite well,'' said Dr. J. Michael McGinnis, director of the Department of Health and Human Service's Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion.

''If you look at the ultimate impact on mortality and improved quality of life for people at various stages, we've done quite well. Obviously, there are some areas where there are problems.''

Health Secretary Louis Sullivan is scheduled to release Thursday his health

targets for the coming decade. Many of the goals for the year 2000 will be similar to those set in 1980 for 1990 because little or no progress has been made. In some cases, the agenda will include new objectives, such as reducing the incidence of acquired immune deficiency syndrome. Because little was known about the disease in 1980, AIDS as not included in the goals set for 1990.

Of the 226 goals set in 1980 for 1990, McGinnis said approximately 48 percent have been achieved or are likely to be met, 26 percent were unlikely to be met and insufficient data made it impossible to assess 26 percent. Final figures will be available in 1991.

McGinnis said some goals were included in 1980 despite the fact that there was no source of information on them.

''We hoped it would drive our efforts to collect data and indeed it did for some ... but we have not come as far as we had hoped,'' he said.

In general, progress was made in the 1980s to meet such goals as reducing infant mortality, reducing childhood and adolescent deaths, improving awareness of the hazards as high cholesterol and sodium intake and reducing the incidence of gonorrhea.

However, no progress was made to achieve such goals as reducing teenage pregnancy, virtually eliminating preventable childhood diseases such as measles and mumps, reducing the incidence of syphilis, reducing smoking among kids and lowering the number of couch-potatoes and overweight people.

Here are selected goals set for 1990 and their most recent status:

-There should be almost no unintended births to girls 14 and under. Status: Will not be met. 1984 figure was nearly 10,000 such births.

-National infant mortality rate should be reduced to no more than nine per 1,000 live births. Status: 1989 figure was 9.7 per 1,000, the lowest ever recorded rate in the United States but not meeting the goal.

-Incidence of fetal alcohol syndrone should be reduced by 25 percent. Status: Need to collect better data on problem, but McGinnis said, ''The reality is that we're not going to hit the goal.''

-Immunize at least 90 percent of all children against measles, mumps, rubella, polio, diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis. Status: Will not be met especially in low-income groups.

-Cut incidence of gonorrhea to 280 per 100,000 population. Status: Probably will be met.

-Cut incidence of syphilis to seven per 100,000 and of congenital syphilis to 1.5 per 100,000 children. Status: Problem worsening. 1985-1988 figures show 50 percent increase for syphilis and doubling for congenital syphilis.

-Reduce by 25 percent the number of adult smokers. Status: Nearly met.

-Number of women who smoke during pregnancy should be no more than half of all women smokers. Status: Will not be met.

-Reduce to 6 percent the number of children and youth who smoke. Status: Will not be met. In 1989, 19 percent of all high school seniors were daily smokers.

-Fatalities from alcohol-related motor vehicle accidents should be reduced to less than 9.5 per 100,000 population. Status: Has been met.

-Growth retardation of infants and children due to inadequate diet should be eliminated. Status: Has not been met. Problem exists for about 5 percent of overall population but as high as 16 percent among minorities.

-Significant overweight problem for adults should be decreased to 10 percent of men and and 17 percent of women. Status: Will not be met. 1976-1980 data (most recent) found 26.3 percent men and 29.6 percent women were overweight.

-Average serum cholesterol level in adults should be at or below 200 milligrams. Status: Will not be met but situation improving.

-Average daily sodium intake for adults should be reduced to at least 3-6 grams. Status: Will be met.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices!pmid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 63-66.

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OMAHA (SEPT. 5) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves 300; trading on light run slaughter steers and heifers active, insufficient for adequate market test; slaughter cows $1.00 higher; steers couple lots choice 2-3 few 4 1250-1300 lbs. 74.50- 74.75, few select and choice 2-3 1050-1250 lbs. 73.00-74.00; heifers couple lots choice 2-3 few 4 1025-1100 lbs. 75.00, few select and choice 2-3 950-1100 lbs. 73.50-74.00; slaughter cows breaking few 53.50-55.50, boning 53.00-58.25, low to average cutter 50.00-55.25.

Hogs 1,300; butchers 50 cents to $1.00 higher; No 1-3 220-270 lbs. 53.00-53.75; sows under 500 lbs. steady, over 500 lbs. $1.00 to $1.50 lower; No 1-3 350-500 lbs. 43.50-44.00, some 475-500 lbs. 45.00-46.00, No 2-3 500-650 lbs. 49.00-51.50, mostly 51.00-51.50.

Sheep 50; slaughter lambs and ewes steady; shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 110-130 lbs. No 1-2 pelts 48.00-50.00; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lbs. 47.00-49.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good 13.00-17.00.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Walter Yetnikoff stepped down Wednesday as chief executive officer of CBS Records, saying he will continue as a consultant to Sony Corp., owner of the multibillion-dollar recording company.

Yetnikoff's decision to ''go on sabbatical now,'' transmitted to Sony Chairman Norio Ohga Tuesday, did not take the music industry completely by surprise, since he already was regarded as a lame duck. But the actual reasons for the 57-year-old Yetnikoff's departure still were a mystery.

His departure came five weeks after the publication of ''The Hit Men'' by Random House, an expose of the multi-billion dollar record industry in which Yetnikoff has been a major player since 1971. The book charged that the industry is rife with deals, drugs, and payola.

Yetnikoff's decision was announced by CBS Records, which quoted him as saying he had decided to ''accelerate'' his previously announced intention to serve as head of the company for only two more years.

''Following a sabbatical leave of a few months or so, I will work together with Norio Ohga on long-term projects affecting the future growth of Sony '' Yetnikoff said in the CBS Records announcement.

In reply, Ohga issued a statement saying CBS Records was fortunate in having a strong and resourceful management team to take over from Yetnikoff. He named three executives - Tommy Mottola, head of CBS Records' domestic business; Robert Summer, president of CBS Records International;

and Neil Keating, president of Columbia House - to ''run the day-to-day operations'' of the company.

''The business has never been in better shape, both financially and operationally,'' Ohga said.

''This is therefore a good time for Mr. Yetnikloff to focus on his other priorities and for us to continue to build an organization and management structure appropriate to CBS Records' future growth potential.

''Mr. Yetnikoff's record speaks for itself. The company has grown and prospered under his leadership. We understand and respect his decision and are grateful that he will make himself available as a special advisor to me.''

Yetnikoff brought many stars to CBS records, including the Rolling Stones, Billy Joel, Bruce Springsteen, Cyndi Lauper, Michael Jackson and Barbra Striesand.

In recent years, Yetnikoff's relationships with several stars, including Springsteen and Jackson, appeared to have deteriorated, according to industry observers.

Sony's announcement that Yetnikoff had only two more years to go as chief executive officer also was seen as putting him in the position of a lame duck.

Whether or not disclosures in ''The Hit Men,'' a book by Vanity Fair contributing editor Fred Dannen, had anything to do with Yetnikoff's speeded-up departure also was a matter of industry speculation.

The book was the first to attack the people and politics involved in running the industry, including Yetnikoff, Clive Davis of Arista Records and David Geffen, who put together the label bearing his name.

Yetnikoff joined CBS Records as an attorney and became president of CBS Records International in 1971. In 1975, he was made president of CBS Records and was instrumental in its sale to Sony in 1988 for $2 billion - for which he reportedly received a $20 million bonus.

Yetnikoff's departure came a day after a federal judge in Los Angeles dismissed all charges against record promoter Joseph Isgro and two other defendants and declared a mistrial, ending the biggest music payola trial since the 1960s.

Isgro had been charged with making ''illicit and illegal'' payments, often in the form of cocaine, to music directors at radio stations in return for the broadcast of records he was promoting on behalf of such major record

companies as Columbia, Warner, RCA, MCA and Polygram.

Isgro's co-defendants were Raymond Anderson, a former vice president of promotion at Columbia Records, and Jeffrey Monka, a convicted drug offender.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - While most Americans are choosing healthier foods, the school lunch menus millions of children face each day ''are still the old, traditionally high-fat variety,'' a consumer group reported Wednesday

Public Voice for Food and Health Policy released a study that also found that, no matter where they get their lunch, students eat too much fat.

''Pizza, hamburgers and fried chicken dominate the main course options, and french fries, canned fruits packed in sugar syrup, and cakes and cookies most often complete the high-fat meal,'' the study said.

As it did last year, Public Voice said the federal government should require schools to limit the amount of fat in a school lunch to 30 percent of total calories. This year, it also called on Congress and states to impose the standard if the Agriculture Department won't.

''We can't have vague policies any more,'' said Ellen Haas, the group's leader.

Although school food directors also bear responsibility, Haas named the Agriculture Department as the chief culprit. In addition to failing to restrict fat content, she said the agency does not give schools enough help in planning low-fat meals and but does provide too many free foods, such as chicken nuggets, that are high in fat.

''The school lunch programs depend upon the free commodities (to help keep prices down) and the high proportion of high-fat foods acts to thwart efforts by directors to reduce fat,'' the report said.

Department spokesman Phil Shanholtzer said the government is sticking with its dietary guidelines that students should ''eat a variety of foods'' in moderation, rather than adopting a strict standard.

As for commodities, Shanholtzer said the government provides 20 percent of the food used for school lunches and noted, ''Schools have a pretty large choice as far as the additional foods that they buy.''

The school lunch program cost taxpayers $3.5 billion last year.

Public Voice said health authorities have agreed Americans should limit fat to 30 percent of their calories, but said recent surveys showing school-age children get 37 percent to 39 percent of their calories from fat.

High-fat diets can lead to heart disease and obesity and may be connected to cancer.

''Although Americans have changed their eating habits considerably over the last decade ... school lunch menus are still of the old, traditionally high-fat variety,'' Public Voice said.

One problem is that 24 million children who eat school lunches each day favor the foods, like cheeseburgers, that may be bad for them. However, Patricia Morris, research director for Public Voice, said schools could present low-fat meals children would like.

''I don't think you have to go to granola and bean sprouts,'' she said, noting baked chicken or fish can be substituted for high-fat fried foods, and spaghetti with meatballs is a lower-fat choice than lasagna. Taco fillings can be refried beans rather than ground beef and frozen yogurt could replace surpy fruit and cookies.

The American School Food Service Association said school lunches meet federal guidelines and ''parents can feel secure in relying upon the school lunch program for healthful meals.''

Marshall Matz, a spokesman for the association, said schools have acted to give students healthful choices by setting up salad bars and offering pasta and potatoes.

''What children choose is up to them,'' Matz said. ''I think there has been tremendous progress but Public Voice isn't aware of it.''

Public Voice's conclusions were based on a one-week survey in which Current Science magazine asked its schoolchildren readers what was on their school's lunch menu and what they actually ate. Schools provided 58 percent of the meals, 32 percent were prepared at home and 9 percent came from other sources.

The survey drew responses from 163 middle schools in 41 states. It concluded that menus were more likely to offer high-fat foods than lower-fat choices.

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#90248u1045 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ (SEPT. 5) UPI - Lawrence Taylor ended a 44-day holdout Wednesday, when he signed a three-year contract with the New York Giants that the all-Pro linebacker's agent said made him the highest-paid defensive player in the NFL.

Taylors contract, which runs through 1992, is worth an estimated $5 million over three years. Taylor signed about noon Wednesday, three hours after his agent Joe Courrege arrived at Giants Stadium to talk with club officials.

''I'm home,'' Taylor said upon walking into the Giants press room after signing.

''The important thing now is to get ready for the Eagles on Sunday. Regardless of if I am happy or not, they're gonna be here.''

Taylor, who was scheduled to earn $1.21 million in this last year of his old contract, had said since training camp oopened he would not report unless the Giants paid him $2 million per year.

''I put my pride aside,'' Uaulor said. ''Nobody gets exactly what they wanted. It's not like that. I look kind of stupid bitching over the money I am making because it's good money.''

Giants owner Wellington Mara said he never doubted Taylor would sign in time to play the season opener, ''but it's nice to have it over with,'' the owner said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $387.90, silver base of $4.78 and platinum price of $484.50:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$404.00	398.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	207.50	204460
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	106.50	105.10
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	44.00	43.40
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	404.00	398.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	207.50	204.60
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	107.00	105.60
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	44.00	43.40
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	410.50	405.30
China Panda .50 troy oz.	211.50	208.80
China Panda .25 troy oz.	110.00	108.30
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.50	46.80

China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.50	27.90
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	404.00	399.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	206.50	203.90
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	104.50	103.00
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	44.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	402.50	397.90
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	208.50	206.00
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	107.00	105.70
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.50	45.00
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	402.50	397.70
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	207.00	204.50
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.00	86.70
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	46.00	45.40
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.50	23.10
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.20	$6.20
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,470	$3,480
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,500	$1,500
Platinum		
Australian Koala	508.00	508.00
Isle of Man Noble	497.00	496.00
Canada Maple Leaf	514.00	513.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90248u1059 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - For the second consecutive week, NBC grabbed most of the top spots in the weekly Nielsen ratings race, but this time the network did it with reruns rather than previews of new shows, it was reported Tuesday.

''Cheers'' knocked off CBS's ''60 Minutes,'' which had been in the No. 1 spot for two weeks with its Iraq-related programming, and the newsmagazine fell to a tie for 15th place for the week ending Sept. 2.

A special two-hour broadcast of ''In the Heat of the Night'' Tuesday night catapulted the NBC show to second place, its best ranking ever, the network reported.

The highly touted Thursday night competition between NBC's ''The Cosby Show'' and Fox's ''The Simpsons,'' although both shows are in reruns, showed another disparity for the second week. ''Cosby'' landed in 11th place and ''The Simpsons'' tied for 53rd place with three other shows.

The second half of NBC's repeat of the two-part miniseries, ''I Know My First Name is Steven,'' made a respectable showing in ninth place, compared with the first half, which was broadcast during the previous ratings period and finished in a tie for 51st place.

NBC placed seven shows altogether in the top 10, while CBS had two and ABC's lone entry was ''Roseanne'' in eighth place.

CBS won the Sunday night movie race with ''Who Gets the Friends?'' tying for 53rd place with a CBS News special, ABC's ''The Young Riders'' and ''The Simpsons.'' NBC's theatrical movie ''Mad Max: Beyond Thunderdome'' was in a three-way tie for 63rd place and ABC's entry, ''Love Among Thieves,'' tied for 73rd place with a new Fox show ''Comic Strip Primetime.''

With the CBS shows ''Designing Women'' in a tie for third place and ''Murphy Brown'' tying for fourth place, it was just enough to edge the network into second place in the weekly ratings.

In ratings for the week ending Sept. 2, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., NBC remained in the lead with a 10.6 rating and a 20 share. CBS was second with an 8.8 rating and a 17 share and ABC posted an 8.7 rating and a 17 share. Fox finished the week with a 5.3 rating and a 10 share.

For the third week in a row, NBC was the winner on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday nights, its best showing since June 1, 1987, the network said. CBS won Sunday and ABC held Friday.

In the 50-week season-to-date competition, NBC maintained a 13.0 rating and a 23 share, followed by CBS with an 11.1 rating and a 19 share, and ABC with an 11.6 rating and a 20 share. Fox has a season-to- date record of a 6.3 rating and an 11 share.

ABC's ''World News Tonight'' with Peter Jennings was in the No. 1 spot for the 34th week in a row with a 10.0 rating and a 21 share. ''CBS Evening News'' with Dan Rather was second with a 9.3 rating and a 20 share, while ''NBC Nightly News'' with Tom Brokaw was third with an 8.7 rating and a 19 share.

Each ratings point represents about 921,000 households. A share is the percentage of TV sets in use that are tuned to a particular show or network.

The top 10 programs for the week ending Sunday, Sept. 2, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., were:

1. Cheers (NBC)
2. In the Heat of the Night (NBC)
3. (tie) Empty Nest (NBC)
4. Designing Women (CBS)
5. (tie) Bill Cosby Special (NBC)
6. Murphy Brown (CBS)
7. Golden Girls (NBC)
8. Roseanne (ABC)
9. NBC Monday Movie (NBC)
10. Different World (NBC)

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BUJUMBURA, Burundi (SEPT. 5) UPI - Pope John Paul II landed in the tiny state of Burundi Wednesday on the second leg of his 11-day African tour and called for an end to the former Belgian colony's history of tribal violence.

In the hot, humid air of the capital Bujumbura, deep in the heart of Africa, the 70-year-old pontiff called for the people to unite and end the long history of fighting between the majority Hutu tribe and the elitist Tutsi tribe.

He was given an enthusiastic welcome by about 4,000 people in the former Belgian colony.

Speaking in French, the pope said, ''I want to be for you a messenger of faith and peace... I am thinking of the trials that have marked your people, involved in conflicts which have torn apart your community and wounded too many families.''

The Tutsi, although comprising only 15 percent of the population, have traditionally dominated Burundi society and over the past 30 years perpetuated a series of massacres of the Hutu.

As many as 60,000 people may have died in the most recent of these, in 1988, which prompted Burundian President Maj. Pierre Buyoya to embark on a National Unity reform program.

''Now the road of reconciliation and concord has opened before you,'' John Paul said. ''You have started on the path: hurry your pace because these hills of yours must never again see violence and division.

''Consolidate your unity, not with resignation and reluctance, but rooting

it solidly by means of reconciliation and pardon.''

The pope's visit to Burundi has drawn both criticism and appeals for help from opposition groups in the country.

He was welcomed at the airport by Buyoya, the military ruler who in May promised his people a civilian government, a ''charter of national unity'' and a referendum on how their little country should be run.

The pope then drove seven miles in bright sunshine into the capital, which lies on the northern shore of Lake Tanganyika, past banners proclaiming him and Buyoya as ''pilgrims of unity.''

As he left Tanzania for Burundi on the fifth day of his tour, the pope appealed to the world not to ignore the poverty and despair of millions of Africans.

''In the name of our common humanity, I appeal to the more developed nations of the earth to inaugurate a new era of solidarity with Africa, based on justice and respect,'' the pope said.

Earlier Wednesday, large crowds heard Pope John Paul II celebrate mass at the foot of Mount Kilimanjaro, in the northern Tanzanian town of Moshi.

The snowy summit of the 19,340-foot free-standing mountain - Africa's highest - broke through the clouds as the pope entered Kilimanjaro Stadium in an open car.

The pope will spend two days in Burundi, where 3.12 million of the country's 656.3 million people are Catholics. He then plans to fly north to tiny, landlocked Rwanda for a further two days before taking off west across the continent to Ivory Coast.

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DIJON, FRANCE (SEPT. 5) UPI - A confrontation between U.S. and Iraqi troops - on the basketball court - has been scrubbed because of the Persian Gulf crisis, organizers said.

The U.S. and Iraqi military teams had been selected in a random drawing to face each other in the first round of the Joan of Arc world military basketball championships, which open Friday in Dijon.

But, in the wake of Baghdad's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, Iraq's squad has withdrawn, as have teams from Saudi Arabia and Senegal. Despite initial fears the tournament might have to be canceled, organizers now say enough teams will be present to play.

Andre Jeannin, president of the organizing committee, said he believed a U.S.-Iraq contest could have been played without incident, despite the tension between the two nations.

''Among athletes, it would have been fine,'' he said. ''We did, of course, have security measures planned. But I think between a group of American athletes and Iraqi athletes, there would not have been any problem.''

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HOLLYWOOD (SEPT. 5) UPI - ''Ghost,'' thrice deposed from the No. 1 spot in the weekly box-office rankings, has materialized at the top again and vanquished all pretenders to the title of summer ticket-selling champion.

The Patrick Swayze-Demi Moore surprise blockbuster was bested the previous week by newly released ''Darkman.'' Earlier in its eight-week run it was denied the top spot by distant paranormal cousins ''Exorcist III'' and ''Flatliners.''

But ''Ghost'' is No. 1 again and has yet to fade below No. 2 in its two months of release, raking in $8-9 million per week. Its challengers have fired and fallen back.

''Ghost'' zapped $9.9 million from 1,766 venues to bring it's total for Paramount to a smashing $125 million.

With an attendance increase of 33 percent during a week that included the Labor Day holiday, ''Ghost'' moved ahead of ''Total Recall'' ($116.6 million) to grab honors as most popular movie of the summer. The season's other major hit, ''Pretty Woman'' ($169.1 million), was released in the spring.

No. 2 last week was ''Darkman,'' which fell off only 1 percent from its opening week on 1,833 screens, and reaped $7.9 million. In two weeks the horror film has garnered $19.1 million.

''Presumed Innocent,'' the courtroom thriller starring Harrison Ford, moved up a notch to No. 3 with a gross of $5.8 million. In six weeks the gripping drama about a prosecutor attorney accused of murder has collected $67.4 million.

''Flatliners,'' the sci-fi tale of young medicos monkeying around with dead bodies and the afterlife, flattened out in its fourth week with a tally of $5.2 million and a total of $40 million.

Comedian Steve Martin could sing the blues over his ''My Blue Heaven,''

which dipped to No. 5 with a gross of only $3.1 million last week. Its haul in three weeks of release is a paltry $17.9 million.

At No. 6, ''Men at Work'' wasn't working at all. The Charlie Sheen- Emilio Estevez brother act as garbage men went down the storm drain to the tune of $3 million in its second week. So far it has picked up $7.6 million.

The only newcomer to open widely was ''The Lemon Sisters,'' a female bonding film of a singing trio in Atlantic City starring Diane Keaton, Carol Kane and Kathryn Grody. It was No. 12 with $2.1 million.

Worth noting: Jack Nicholson's ''The Two Jakes'' grossed $339,297 for 30th place in the rankings. In four weeks it has tapped out at a mere $9.3 million.

Altogether it was a booming Labor Day week with a total box-office gross of $99.8 milion, up from 1989's $90.9 million in North America's 23,000 theaters.

Daily Variety reported the total gross so far this year is $3.431 billion, as against last year's $3.471 billion for the same period.

The top 10, last week's gross, total gross, weeks in release:

1. ''Ghost,'' $9.9 million, $125 million, 8 weeks.
2. ''Darkman,'' $7.9 million, $19.1 million, 2 weeks.
3. ''Presumed Innocent,'' $5.8 million, $67.4 million, 6 weeks.
4. ''Flatliners,'' $5.2 million, $40 million, 4 weeks.
5. ''My Blue Heaven,'' $3.1 million, $17.9 million, 3 weeks.
6. ''Men at Work,'' $3 million, $7.6 million, 2 weeks.
7. ''Taking Care of Business,'' $2.8 million, $13.1 million, 3 weeks.
8. ''The Exorcist III,'' $2.7 million, $20.8 million, 3 weeks.
9. ''Young Guns II,'' $2.39 million, $34.2 million, 5 weeks.
10. ''The Witches,'' $2.30 million, $5.7 million, 2 weeks.

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#90248u1074 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Steffi Graf came back from a slow start to win 12 of the last 14 games and defeat Jana Novotna 6-3, 6-1 Wednesday for a semifinal berth at the U.S. Open.

Graf, the two-time defending champion and No. 1 seed, next plays the winner of the quarterfinal between fourth seed Zina Garrison and No. 6 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario.

''I didn't have the best start, that's for sure, but I got in it pretty well,'' said Graf, in quest of the 10th Grand Slam title of her career.

''I feel very good. I feel I'm in excellent position but I can't underestimate any of the other players.''

Novotna, who has taken merely one set from Graf in nine career meetings, broke service to open the match, then held to go up 2-0.

The 12th seed had another break point in the third game, which Graf saved with a service winner, and the 21-year-old West German went on to take the next four games.

Novotna fought back to break in the seventh game when Graf, venturing forward, netted a backhand volley. Graf, though, broke right back and held service to end the set.

Novotna won only one game in the second set, holding at love in the third game.

Novotna, a 21-year-old from Czechoslovakia, blamed her poor performance on the fact she was playing for the first time on the Stadium Court.

''I started very well, Steffi was making easy errors and I won the first two games,'' she said. ''Then I realized the court was much slower than the outside courts. The ball doesn't jump so high, she started coming to my backhand and I had trouble passing her.

''I had no chance this year to play on the Center Court. It's not just the whole atmosphere, but the court is different. I found it difficult to play serve and volley because the court is slower.''

Graf credited an effective slice with neutralizing Novotna's game.

Although Novotna is out of the singles, she and Helena Sukova have reached the semifinals in a bid to complete a Grand Slam in women's doubles.

The men's semifinal bracket also was to be completed Wednesday. Third seed Ivan Lendl was paired against No. 12 Pete Sampras, and at night it was to be John McEnroe against David Wheaton.

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PLYMOUTH, MA (SEPT. 5) UPI - Mayflower II, a replica of the ship that carried the Pilgrims to Plymouth Rock, set sail in open waters Wednesday for the first time in nearly 30 years.

With its crew dressed in Pilgrim costumes, Mayflower II ventured out in open waters from the state pier in Plymouth around 9 a.m.

As part of the Festival of Sails, the vessel, accompanied by a flotilla of 75 boats, sailed out in Cape Cod Bay before returning to Plymouth, said officials at Plimoth Plantation, the museum that owns Mayflower II.

''We have a ship which sailed across the Atlantic in 1957, and is in fine sailing condition today. It seemed the time had come to begin showing the world this beautiful symbol once again under sail - the way people imagine her to be,'' said David Case, president of Plimoth Plantation.

In the 1950s, a group known as Project Mayflower began work on a reproduction of the ship that brought the Pilgrims to the New World in 1620. The Mayflower II was built in England as a symbol of Anglo- American friendship.

In 1957, the vessel duplicated its namesake's voyage, crossing the Atlantic in 55 days. However, the crew of the replica chose a more southerly route than that of the orignial vessel - not inappropriate, as the Pilgrims had planned to settle in Virginia before stormy winds and navigational errors steered the first Mayflower toward Massachusetts.

More than 11 million people have visited the Mayflower II since it docked at Plymouth.

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WARSAW, POLAND (SEPT. 5) UPI - Soviet authorities barred three American Iroquois Indians on a peace mission from entering the Soviet Union because the covers of their passports were the wrong color, the official Polish news agency PAP reported Wednesday.

The three were part of a group of some 50 Iroquois taking part in a ''sacred run for peace'' across Europe.

Following their arrival at the Polish-Lithuanian border crossing at Ogrodniki, the group, wearing Indian costumes and singing songs, performed for travelers, the PAP dispatch said.

Three members of the group then presented passports with golden covers to Soviet officials, who turned them back, saying American passports are blue.

The passports were covered with gold in accordance with an Iroquois tradition, PAP reported. The other members of the group carried standard U.S. passports.

Border officials consulted with Moscow before refusing the three Iroquois, including a 3-year-old boy, permission to cross the border, PAP said.

''The 3-year-old boy was the highlight of the run and it is a pity that he turned out to be so dangerous,'' PAP's dispatch said.

The Iroquois group began its cross-European journey in London on Aug. 6 and is headed for Moscow.

Lithuania declared its independence from Moscow in March, but its borders are still controlled by the Soviet Union.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - The leasing company United Aviation Services has ordered two Airbus Industrie A310-300s jetliners and is committed to acquire three A300-600R aircraft, the European aircraft maker said Wednesday.

The A310-300s are scheduled for delivery in mid-1994, and the A300- 600Rs will be delivered in 1996. The purchase price was not disclosed. United Aviation has yet to select engines for the airliners.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Eight young men said to be part of a gang whose members must commit a mugging to get admitted were arraigned Wednesday on murder charges in the slaying of a Utah tourist stabbed during a robbery in a subway station.

Each of the men pleaded innocent and all were remanded to jail without bail by state Supreme Court Justice Judith Levitt. They were scheduled to appear in court Friday to hear the results of a grand jury investigation.

The eight suspects, whose ages range from 17 to 20, were charged with murder, robbery and assault in the stabbing death of Brian Watkins, 22, a tennis buff from Provo, Utah.

Watkins, in New York with his family to attend the U.S. Open, was slain Sunday night while trying to defend his parents from a gang of muggers in a Manhattan subway station.

All eight suspects arrested in the Watkins slaying were said to be part of the Queens-based FTS gang, a graffiti crew whose members are required to mug someone in order to join, according to a report in The New York Times.

Police said they were unaware of the FTS gang, even though the group's name, or tag, can be seen scrawled all over the walls of subway stations and other buildings in the Flushing neighborhood of Queens.

''They have not come to the attention of the Police Department as a group that has committed an illegal act,'' said John Galea, a retired sergeant and former head of the gang intelligence unit.

Neighborhood residents and friends of the suspects told the Times that Yull Morales, 19, identified by police as the stabber, was the founder of the FTS gang and the one who imposed the mugging rule.

At its peak several years ago, FTS boasted a membership of about 250 youths who passionately pursued dancing and spray painting grafitti as hobbies, the Times said.

Detectives have said they believe the suspects stole $200 from Watkins' father to party at Roseland, a popular dance hall located near the subway stop where the young tourist was slain. Six of the eight suspects were arrested several hours after the killing outside that dance hall.

Galea, who has worked with New York street gangs for more than 20 years, said Queens has seen a sharp rise of street gangs in recent years. But, he said, cops are often unable to spot members because none wear recognizable ''colors,'' such as jackets or bandanas.

''In Queens, that's where we have the largest increase in gang activity,'' Galea said. ''But they go unnoticed by the police on foot patrol.''

Morales, an employee at a refrigerator and air conditioning repair service in Flushing, Queens, and one other defendant had no previous arrest records, but the other six defendants had previous arrests on charges ranging from forgery to assault.

The seven other youths arrested were identified as Anthony Anderson, Emilo Fernandez, 17, Louis Fernando Montiero, 20, and Jonnie Hincapie, 18 - all of Queens; Pascal Carpenter, 18, of Brentwood, N.Y., Ricardo Nova, 18, who had no known address, Ricardo Lopez, 18, whose address was given tentatively as Queens.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - In a new departure from its policy of isolating Cambodia's Communist regime, Secretary of State James Baker announced Wednesday the United States is opening talks with representatives of Hun Sen, the Vietnamese-backed head of the Cambodian government.

Baker revealed the meeting in an appearance before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, where he said the progress toward a political settlement to the 11-year-old civil war in Cambodia is encouraging.

Baker said ''the jury is still out about whether all parties to the dispute'' will accept the framework agreement agreed to last month by all five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council.

But he said all parties, including Hun Sen - the Hanoi-installed leader of the Phnom Phnem government - have agreed to use the U.N. plan as a framework for their discussions about an eventual settlement.

Under the U.N. plan, the factions would set up a Supreme National Council that would embody Cambodian sovereignty and take the Cambodian seat in the United Nations, now held by the Pol Pot faction.

That would be an interim step nn,the way to national elections.

Baker said Hun Sen has some reservations about the U.N. plan but has agreed to use it as a framework for future discussions.

Baker changed U.S. policy in July by announcing that the United States would talk to the Vietnamese government about Cambodian issues. Two U.S.-Vietnamese meetings took place in August in New York.

He took that policy change one step further Wednesday with his statement that a representative of Hun Sen and a U.S. representative would meet in Vientiane, Laos to discuss a Cambodian settlement.

Hun Sen has been a major figure in the long Cambodian war, and the diplomatic efforts to end it, but he has always objected to any plan that would require his abdicating power, or even sharing it with other factions particularly with the Khmer Rouge guerrillas.

But since the Vietnamese forces withdrew from Cambodia, taking with them Hun Sen's main military support, Hun Sen's forces have steadily lost ground in the fight against the Khmer Rouge, who have been supported by China.

China was one of the Security Council members who agreed to the U.N. framework plan.

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LONDON (SEPT. 5) UPI - Stock prices closed slightly higher on the London International stock exchange Wednesday with a directionless Wall Street eroding early gains scored by British issues.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index closed up 4.2 points to 2,152.2, after retreating from a high for the day at 2,165.4.

The narrower top 30 industrial average closed up a mere 1.3 point at 1,672.2.

Volume was a modest 344.9 million shares, although stronger than Tuesday's 286.2 million shares.

A string of corporate results brought mixed news to the market, including some disappointing profit reports by a number of leading British companies.

Renewed speculation that Britain would soon fully enter the Exchange Rate Mechanism of the European Monetary System played a moderate role in the rebound, brokers said.

Analysts said worse-than-expected results from major industrial corporations were obvious signs of an impending British recession. They expected more bad news to come out as a new round of corporate results is to be released soon.

George Wimpey, Britain's second largest homebuilder, fell 50 cents to $3.27 on a lackluster interim profit report, with Barratt Developers shedding 20 cents to $2.60 in sympathy.

''The recession is the worst I have experienced in 39 years in the industry,'' said Wimpey Chairman Cliff Chetwood in an interview with the Evening Standard daily newspaper.

Williams Holdings, the industrial conglomerate, dropped 22 cents to $4.07, after reporting that its half-year profits dropped 15 percent.

British Aerospace gained 19 cents to $10.28 on rumors of new aircraft orders.

Reuters jumped 39 cents to $16.34 on news that the global information company has reached a business agreement with the American Stock Exchange.

Two oil companies gained ahead of their earnings reports to be released Thursday, which are expected to be strong. Enterprise was up 19 cents to $12.67 and Burmah gained 7 cents to $9.63.

Elsewhere, stock prices closed lower on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange on fears that higher taxes were needed to finance a heavier budget following the reunification of the two Germanies, scheduled for Oct. 3.

The German Stock Index, or Dax, lost 25.8 points to end at 1,564.27.

The Frankfurt market has been showing signs of weakness lately, on renewed concerns about the Middle East and worries about the German economy.

Volume remained very thin as institutional and foreign investors stayed away from the market while awaiting a solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

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BY JONATHAN S. LANDAY - UPI

RWEISHED, JORDAN (SEPT. 5) UPI - In Shaalan One, there is nothing to do but wait - wait for hours for food and water, for the sear of the sun to die and the chill of the night to set in, for the pain of the scorpion sting to fade, for the embassy man who never comes.

And the most difficult wait of all: The wait to go home.

There were an estimated 60,000 refugees from Iraq and Kuwait waiting Wednesday in the city of tents and makeshift shelters of towels and sheets a flyblown oasis of hunger, thirst and despair in the fiery desert ''no man's land'' between Jordan and Iraq.

Home to scorpions, snakes and itinerant Bedouin, the 30-mile frontier strip hosts Shaalan One and a sister camp, into which Indians and Pakistanis, Sri Lankans, Bangladeshis, Thais and Filipinos have been hurled in a clash of cultures and tongues after fleeing from Iraq and Kuwait.

Food and water are in short supply. One can of infant formula was all that remained in the Red Cresent clinic, sanitation is almost non- existent and fights are frequent.

And every few minutes, another packed bus or luggage-crammed car is directed by Jordanian soldiers off the highway into Shaalan One because there is no more room in camps 200 miles to the west in Amman, where more than 40,000 more refugees also wait.

The crisis has erupted, aid officials said, because everyone failed to anticipate the extent of the exodus and the inability - some believe reluctance in several cases - of governments to finance the repatriation of their citizens.

International aid is now slowly coming, some in donations for a growing airlift, some in supplies to bolster the contributions made by Jordan and its people. But with officials forecasting up to one million more arrivals time is critical.

In Shalaan One, some refugees have been waiting for 10 days and they are angry.

''We were money-making machines for our governments yesterday,'' said Reza Hussein, 32, of Quetta, Pakistan, referring to the remittences the refugees once sent home. ''We are garbage today.''

Refugees reported several deaths from exposure. Doctors in the stifling Red Cresent medical tent denied any fatalities, but warned that unless help arrives quickly, deaths could occur.

The six doctors and five nurses treat some 3,000 people every day, about 200 suffering from scorpion stings, the rest mostly heat stroke, dehydration and diarrhea. Several snake bite and chicken pox cases are reported daily.

There are also fears of mental breakdowns, those concerns highlighted when some Sri Lankan women steered a young girl into the tent, her eyes glazed and distant, a finger picking her lower lip, her voice silent.

''She has gone mental here,'' said one of her companions. ''She wanders here and there. We can't control her.''

Trash lies in heaps or is whipped into the cloudless sky by swirling funnels of hot wind. Huge pits dug by bulldozers serve as toilets. No one uses the few portable latrines any more.

Water tankers discharge intermittently into metal storage tanks, before which lines of people have long waited, not knowing when the deliveries will come.

Competition is so fierce that fights often erupt, sometimes pitting one ethnic group against another.

''The Indians never stand in line,'' shouted Robert Adalia, 32, of Manila, as he protected two tanks bearing the inscriptions ''For Filippinos only.'' Said he: ''Everybody needs water. We are trying to avoid a fight.''

Refugees patient and fortunate enough eat once a day, but the number is limited. The meal is a single piece of flat Arabic bread and a cup of yogurt for which they must line for up to six hours in lines that stretch a quarter mile across sand covered with human excrement.

Those too hungry or impatient try sneaking up to the distribution points, only to be driven back in waves by soldiers flailing belts, rubber-coated wire and sticks.

''They treat us like sheep,'' complained Mohammad Sharif, 30, of Jelum, Pakistan. ''They hit us like animals.''

Refugees also wander along the road, looking for Jordanians selling bottled water for $3 each, soda for more than $2 each and packs of cigarettes for almost $10 each.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 5) UPI - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz met with President Mikhail Gorbachev Wednesday to discuss the Gulf crisis, four days before a U.S.-Soviet summit expected to focus on the issue.

Soviet officials said the Iraqi side had requested Wednesday evening's surprise meeting, and visiting U.S. Senator Robert Dole quoted Gorbachev as saying, ''I'm prepared to hear him out.''

Dole, who led a delegation that met with Gorbachev earlier in the day, said he was optimistic about the Iraqi-Soviet contacts and the upcoming summit.

''They obviously wanted to have some contact before Sunday's (summit) meeting. He's not coming here just to get wet,'' Dole said of Aziz, who arrived in Moscow in a driving rainstorm. ''It's possible he has a message to give to Gorbachev to pass on to President Bush.''

The official Soviet news agency Tass said Gorbachev received Aziz Wednesday evening in the Kremlin, but details of the talks were not immediately available.

Soviet officials, saying they hope to use Moscow's ''special relationship'' with Baghdad to help negotiate a settlement to the crisis, have maintained contacts with Iraqi officials despite the Kremlin's condemnation of the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and support for U.N. sanctions.

The Soviets have insisted in previous meetings with Iraqi officials that Baghdad immediately withdraw its troops from Kuwait as the first step to ending the crisis and avoiding all-out war.

Moscow cut off arms shipments to its one-time close ally in the Gulf after the invasion and is supporting international sanctions against Iraq, although it has refused to participate in a naval blockade or the international military presence in the region.

The surprise visit by Aziz came four days before Gorbachev and Bush were to meet in Helsinki to discuss the crisis that began with Iraq's invasion and occupation of Kuwait.

In addition to regular diplomatic contacts in Baghdad and Moscow,

Gorbachev and other Soviet officials met Iraqi special envoy Saadoun Hammadi last month as part of the intense Soviet diplomatic effort to find a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

''Until now, however, no political or diplomatic contacts between Moscow and Baghdad have produced the desired result - the immediate withdrawal of all Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the restoration of that country's independence and sovereignty,'' Tass said in a report on Aziz's visit.

The Soviet Union expressed disappointment at the results of talks last week in Amman between Aziz and U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, and Soviet officials have said they are hopeful the Gorbachev-Bush summit will be a step forward toward a solution.

There were reports earlier in the week that King Hussein of Jordan would also visit Moscow this week to discuss the Gulf crisis, but diplomatic sources in Rome where Hussein was visiting said Tuesday the monarch had decided not to make the trip to the Soviet Union.

The Soviets have also proposed an international conference be held to resolve problems in the Middle East, a suggestion British foreign minister Douglas Hurd dismissed as having ''no chance of success.''

''There have been conferences galore on this question...and there is no magic in holding a conference which has no chance of success,'' Hurd said during a visit to Amman, Jordan Wednesday.

Dole, the Kansas Republican who is minority leader in the U.S. Senate, praised what he called unprecedented superpower cooperation in efforts to solve the Gulf crisis.

Speaking at an airport news conference before leaving Moscow, Dole said Sunday's summit in Helsinki was yet another ''turning point'' in relations between the two countries.

''The (leaders of) two superpowers are meeting for the first time in response to a conflict when we're both on the same said,'' Dole said.

He said the Senate delegation saw a monument in Leningrad that reminded the senators of the U.S.-Soviet cooperation in World War II and added, ''We think we have it again in the Persian Gulf.''

Dole said he believed Bush and Gorbachev agreed that any solution to the Gulf crisis would have to begin with an Iraqi pullout from Kuwait.

''My impression was that Gorbachev was in almost complete agreement on that point,'' Dole said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - Rep. Henry Gonzalez, D-Texas, chairman of the House Banking Committee, offered a plan Wednesday to strengthen the nation's deposit insurance funds and limit taxpayer liability in bank and thrift failures.

''It is time for the Congress to start putting the hard issues on the table for debate,'' Gonzalez said in a speech to the House.

''We must now confront what no one wanted to admit four or five years ago: the deposit insurance system is in urgent need of repair. Not only did the savings and loan insurance fund fail, today the bank insurance fund is facing a fifth consecutive year of multibillion-dollar losses,'' he said.

Among the changes Gonzalez proposed is removal of ceilings on insurance premium assessments paid by banks and thrifts and giving regulators authority to change the assessments as conditions require.

He also proposed extending the assessments to foreign deposits, establishing a risk-based premium system to ensure that institutions that engage in greater risks pay higher premiums, and limiting the investments that can be made in the insured funds in order to further reduce the risk exposure.

Gonzalez also suggested that Congress consider limiting the number of accounts that can be insured and reducing the current $100,000 insurance coverage for individual accounts.

Gonzalez said regulatory agencies should be strengthened and he called for creation of a single consolidated regulatory agency that ''is truly independent and that can provide consistent supervision of all insured institutions.''

The plan calls for strengthening capital of insured institutions to ensure that owners risk their money, not just the taxpayers', Gonzalez said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - Rural America is likely to lose some congressional seats as a result of the 1990 census, but the change is unlikely to significantly undercut the political power of the farm bloc, analysts and lobbyists say.

The steady decline in the number of rural residents since the Great Depression, when one-fourth of Americans lived on the farm and there were

6.8 million farms, has led to recurrent predictions of the downfall of the farm bloc. Nonetheless, farm-state legislators continue to bring home the bacon.

Just in recent years, they persuaded Congress to pass two disaster- relief bills and, during floor debate this summer on the new farm policy bill, won on all but two relatively minor amendments.

A highly touted challenge that would have denied crop support payments to large farmers was defeated by a 100-vote margin in the House, where seats are apportioned on the basis of population.

There have been recent estimates that this year's census will lead to 19 House seats shifting among states. The Midwest, Deep South and Northern Plains, which include major farming and ranching regions, are considered most vulnerable to loss of seats. The West, Southwest and Southeast are likely to gain seats.

''There are definitely going to be (fewer) rural seats in Congress, no question about it,'' said Brad Eckart, director of political education for the American Farm Bureau, who disagreed with suggestions of a decline in farm clout.

Eckart noted that virtually all senators have farm constituents and that in the House, lawmakers recognize the breadth of the agricultural and food industries.

The Agriculture Department says agriculture accounts for about 17 percent of the gross national product.

One reason for the enduring strength of the farm bloc, lobbyist John Gordley said, is the jurisdiction of the House and Senate Agriculture Committees. In addition to the farm program, the panels oversee the futures markets, national forests, public feeding programs and school lunches.

Programs like food stamps help the panels win urban support for farm-related bills, a fact Rep. Major Owens, D-N.Y., noted during July's debate on farm subsidies. ''We have kept the faith,'' Owens said, but it was time for reform.

''It is the agriculture committees that are the bastions of agricultural influence in this town,'' Gordley said. ''The agriculture committees will be there even if'' there are fewer congressmen from farm districts.

Rather than demographic trends, Gordley said the more immediate political threat is budget pressure to curtail farm spending.

About one-fourth of the U.S. population lives in rural areas, with about 5 million people on the farm.

Calvin Beale, an Agriculture Department demographer, said he had expected the 1980s to show a slight growth in the rural population but the preliminary Census Bureau figures ''make me wonder if that will be the case or not.''

Beale said the 1980s might ''prove to be intermediate'' between the record of the 1960s, when rural areas showed a net loss of about 1.7 million people, and the 1970s, when a net immigration of about 4.5 million people sparked talk of a rural renaissance.

''Whatever we come up with is going to pale in comparison with the 1950s '' when rural figures dropped by 5.5 million people, Beale said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - A government employees' union charged Wednesday that federal workers liquidating the assets of failed U.S. banks and thrifts are the victims of illegal hiring practices.

The National Treasury Employees Union accused the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., and its chairman, L. William Seidman, of ''insidious ... mismanagement that can destabilize this critical agency.''

In a suit filed Tuesday in U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, the union said it alleged FDIC ''liquidation graded'' employees are classified illegally as temporary workers.

A spokesman for the FDIC said he had yet to see a copy of the lawsuit and declined comment on the allegations.

The union said 3,500 workers are being denied Merit Systems Protection Board appeal rights, the right to file a grievance through the arbitration process, and the right to promotions or transfers without examination.

The FDIC workers are also being denied the right to compete with other employees in the event of layoffs by the government, the union said.

''The success of the FDIC mission teeters on a tightrope held by FDIC management,'' union president Robert Tobias said. ''The competent, experienced FDIC workers who balance the finances can have the rope yanked from under their feet at any moment.

''Our lawsuit seeks to stabilize the future of the FDIC work force,'' Tobias said. ''Billions of taxpayers' dollars are being managed by these

FDIC employees, and they are being treated as disposable vate by management.

''The public trust deserves a stable FDIC workforce, hired on merit and protected against arbitrary firings based on favoritism or political corruption,'' he said.

The National Treasury Employees Union represents 140,000 federal workers nationwide, including the Internal Revenue Service, the U.S. Customs Service and other agencies.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - Negotiators for the Philippine government told communist guerrillas proposing peace talks that President Aquino agrees in principle to a cease-fire in Manila and areas devastated by a July earthquake. Security officials and peace advocates held two hours of talks at a hospital outside Manila and additional meetings are scheduled next week.

Eight reputed gang members pleaded innocent in a New York City courtroom to manslaughter charges in the fatal stabbing of a tourist from Utah at a Manhattan subway stop. A judge ordered the youths held without bail. Police say 22-year-old Brian Watkins of Provo, Utah, was stabbed to death last Sunday as he tried to protect his parents from a gang of muggers.

New York Post publisher Peter Kalikow is threatening to close the 189-year-old newspaper unless unions agree to major wage and job cuts. Kalikow says the paper has lost 80-Million dollars since he bought it from Rupert Murdoch in 1988. He's set a September 15th deadline. The unions are scheduled to meet today and tomorrow to discuss the demands.

Private funeral services are planned in Los Angeles for actress Irene Dunne. She died at her home last night at the age of 88. Dunne was nominated five times for the Acadamy Award but never won. Dunne's movies include ''Back Street,'' ''The White Cliffs of Dover,'' ''Life With Father '' and ''Magnificent Obsession.''

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GAINESVILLE, FL (SEPT. 5) UPI - A forensic dentist used an ultraviolet scanner Wednesday to search for fingerprints and other clues invisible to the naked eye in apartments where five college students were slain.

Dr. Michael West of Hattiesburg, Miss., said he found several fingerprints in two of the three apartments where four young women and one young man were found stabbed to death early last week, but that ''the odds are these

are prints that are going to be of the residents.''

West has pioneered the use of ultraviolet photography to match fingerprints and to match dental models with bite marks left on human flesh.

Detectives were trying to determine if bite marks left on at least one of the female victims could lead to a suspect, a technique used to help convict serial killer Ted Bundy, Gainesville police said.

Investigators reportedly were also awaiting genetic test results to determine whether body fluids found at one of the crime scenes matched the genetic material in blood drawn from a prime suspect, Edward Lewis Humphrey.

Humphrey, 18, a freshman at the University of Florida, was charged Tuesday in an unrelated 1988 sex attack in Indian River County. He was already held on $1 million bail on charges involving an attack on his grandmother.

Gainesville police have identified him as one of four prime suspects in the college student killings. But at a briefing Wednesday, police said they had no new information that could lead to an arrest in the student killings.

Humphrey was scheduled to appear at a bond hearing Thursday morning in the Brevard County Detention Center in Sharpes. His lawyer, James Russo, said he would ask the state to justify the bond set for his client on the aggravated assault charge in the attack on Humphrey's grandmother.

Humphrey has been jailed since Aug. 30 on that charge. His bond was raised to $1 million when Gainesville police identified him as a suspect in the student murders.

On Tuesday, Russo called the bond ''exorbitant'' given the lack of charges in the Gainesville case and questioned why investigators had been unable to obtain a search warrant for Humphrey's Gainesville apartment.

Russo also said Humphrey's legal rights may have been violated by investigators who interrogated him in the Brevard County Jail without a lawyer present, even though Humphrey had requested one.

The victim in the 1988 incident identified Humphrey as her attacker after seeing his picture in news reports over the weekend, said Maureen Coogan, records clerk with the Indian River County Sheriff's Office.

Based on the victim's statement, Indian River authorities issued a warrant charging Humphrey with armed burglary and attempted sexual battery.

The sex attack occurred Sept. 6, 1988, when a man followed the woman into her home, tore her blouse and held a hunting knife to her throat. The woman pleaded with the man not to rape her, and the attacker agreed, but told her to take off her pants, Coogan said.

The victim escaped after struggling with her attacker.

Indian River detectives believe the same man was responsible for an attack 30 minutes earlier at the Vero Beach mall. No one has been charged in that incident, in which the attacker grabbed the woman's clothes, cut her finger with a knife, then fled when the woman began to scream.

Indian River investigators cited ''similarities'' between the 1988 attacks and the Gainesville investigation, but would not release specifics.

Besides Humphrey, the only one of the eight suspects in the Gainesville case to be publicly identified by police is Stephen Michael Bates, 30, a short-order cook from Lakeland. He has been held in the Polk County Jail in Bartow since Aug. 29, the day after the last two bodies were found in Gainesville.

Bates was being held in lieu of $100,500 bond on charges of burglary, aggravated assault and battery. Authorities said he broke into a Lakeland home, threw water on a woman and her daughter while they slept and pointed a butcher knife at them.

Polk County police said they did not think Bates was a viable suspect in the slayings, but Gainesville police Lt. Sadie Darnell said his fingerprints had been sent to a task force investigating the deaths of the students.

All five victims were college students who lived within 2 miles of each other and within 2 miles of the University of Florida campus.

They were Christina Powell, 17, of Jacksonville; Sonya Larson, 18, of Deerfield Beach; Christina Hoyt, 18, of Gainesville; Tracy Paules, 23, of Palm Springs North and Manuel Taboada, 23, of Carol City. All five were stabbed to death and at least three of the bodies had been mutilated. Two of the students also were bludgeoned.

Hoyt was a student at Santa Fe Community College in Gainesville and the other four were University of Florida students.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - The first signs of congressional reservations about U.S. policy in the Persian Gulf crisis emerged Wednesday, as

Secretary of State James Baker outlined U.S. plans to isolate Iraq and prevent future aggression.

Most members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee echoed the praise that came one day earlier at a House Foreign Affairs Committee meeting, where Baker and President Bush were lauded for their moderation and firmness in the crisis, as well as their willingness to use international rather than American pressure.

Baker outlined the American goals in both days of testimony: rolling back the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait; the restoration of Kuwait's ''legitimate government;'' the protection of the lives of American hostages, and a continuing American commitment to the protection of the Persian Gulf.

Some senators accepted the broad outlines but rejected some specific elements of those goals:

-Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., said the military operation raises an unsettled constitutional question that will persist as long as a dispute continues between the legislative and executive branches over the War Powers Resolution.

President Bush did not invoke the resolution in sending troops to the gulf because he said he believes hostilities were not imminent.

Biden told Baker, ''I'm with you. I just want to know where we are going.''

-Biden, Sen. Paul Sarbanes, D-Md., Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., and others raised questions about whether the United States whould be using its great weight to re-install the autocratic, unelected Emir of Kuwait and his family-run government.

Baker said it is U.S. policy to preserve the government that existed on the day of the Iraqi invasion, otherwise aggressors in the region would believe they can force political change by external aggression.

-Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., suggested that the American forces would not be unless they knock out Iraqi chemical weapons factories, possibly using cruise missiles based aboard the battleship USS Wisconsin.

Baker refused to answer Helms specifically, but he twice repeated a statement that he made Tuesday as well: ''The president is ruling nothing out and is ruling nothing in, militarily.''

-Sen. Daniel Moynihan, D-N.Y., praised the administration for using the United Nations and reviving the organization by involving it in the isolation of Iraq. But he criticized the U.S. government for remaining behind in its dues.

Baker agreed with Moynihan that it was ''outrafecus'' that the United States was ''the biggest deadbeat'' in the United Nations, but he said Congress could remedy that situation by passing the administration's budget request, which contains nearly $500 million in funds to pay past U.N. dues and assessments.

Moynihan also criticized the administration for doing relatively little to help the plight of the tens of thousands refugees standed along the Iraqi-Jordanian border under horrendous conditions.

Baker said the United States has already pledged some $14 million for direct or indirect refugee relief, but he agreed that the government machinery is slow to start up.

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TORONTO (SEPT. 5) UPI - The Canadian Auto Workers on Wednesday chose Ford Motor Co. of Canada Ltd. to set the pattern for talks on new collective agreements with the Canadian subsidiaries of the Big Three U.S. auto makers, whose current contracts expire Sept. 14.

CAW president Bob White said Ford Canada was chosen because it hadn't been targetted since 1976, and has made $340 million profit since 1987. He also said the union wants to force the company to act independently of its U.S. parent, Ford Motor Co., of Dearborn, Mich.

''I think it's time that Ford Canada cut its apron strings with Ford United States,'' White said in announcing the union's decision.

White said a strike is possible depending on Ford Canada's response.

Ford Canada's chief negotiator, Don McKenzie, said the company ''welcomes'' the opportunity to set the Canadian pattern and will work toward reaching ''a fair and realistic agreement''.

''It's not impossible to reach a settlement before the Sept. 14 midnight deadline,'' McKenzie said. But he paid there are many complex issues on the table and the two sides have very little time left.

White said the key issues include security against outsourcing - sending work to outside contractors rather than doing it in-house - and technological change, income security for the life of the agreement, better protection against plant closures and shorter work time.

Ford Canada employs 12,800 CAW members at assembly and manufacturing plants and a parts depot across the province of Ontario in Windsor,

Oakville, St. Thomas, Niagara Falls and Bramalea.

The Ford workers recently voted 97.52 percent to authorize strike action if needed.

''I don't know whether or not we can do this without a strike,'' White said. ''We think that if we have to have a strike, ultimately we will have enough pressure on the Ford operations that we can put together a good settlement.''

The CAW and Ford Canada were scheduled to return to the master bargaining table Wednesday afternoon.

McKenzie said he wasn't sure when Ford Canada would have a proposal ready for the CAW, saying the immediate objective was to ''prioritize'' the issues.

McKenzie said Ford Canada would continue to push its earlier stated position that maintaining quality, improving operating efficiency and reducing worker absenteeism were its key goals.

White said Ford Canada was selected because of the ''real possibility of a strike'' in the United States, where the United Auto Workers are targetting General Motors Corp. The UAW's collective agreements with the Big Three also expire Sept. 14.

Ford Canada has the ''opportunity'' to set a Canadian pattern before a settlement is reached in the U.S., White said.

White said Ford Canada has made $340 million since 1987, when the current contract was negotiated, and that the company's recent troubles wouldn't alter the union's demand for a percentage wage increase in each year of a new three-year deal.

McKenzie said he wouldn't dispute White's figures, but added that Ford Canada's profitability was down ''markedly'' in the last few quarters due to increased marketing costs. ''We have heard the term overcapacity again and again in this industry. It appears that it's arrived,'' he said.

Whether negotiations with General Motors of Canada Ltd. and Chrysler Canada Ltd. and the union locals will continue or recess until a pattern is established was uncertain, White said.

The CAW - which broke away from the U.S.-based UAW during the mid- 1980s - represents 36,500 GM Canada workers and 11,300 Chrysler Canada workers at various assembly and parts plants in Ontario and Quebec. Workers at both companies have offered their support to the Ford workers if a strike occurs, White said.

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BONN, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 5) UPI - West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl will take four East Germans into his Cabinet for the interim period between German unification on Oct. 3 and all-German elections on Dec. 2, government officials said Wednesday.

The East German deputies will be appointed to ministerial posts without portfolio, officials in Bonn said.

It is widely believed that East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere, his deputy Guenther Krause as well as East German Parliamentary President Sabine Bergmann-Pohl will get the appointments.

All three are members of the East German Christian Democratic Union, which will merge with Kohl's West German CDU a few days before unification.

The fourth likely candidate, Rainer Ortleb, is a member of the Free Democratic Party, the junior partner in the West German coalition government.

European Community foreign ministers, meanwhile, will meet in special session next week to discuss emergency measures for incorporating East Germany into the EC, officials said Wednesday.

The EC Executive Commission seeks emergency powers to grant special exemptions from some EC laws, particularly competition and environmental regulations, during a transitional period of several years following German unification.

The main East German political parties, with the exception of the communists, Wednesday announced the names of deputies they will send to an all-German parliament after unification.

After East Germany officially ceases to exist, a total of 144 East German deputies will join their 519 West German colleagues in the all- German parliament, which will hold its initial session in Berlin Oct. 4.

The 663 deputies will serve in the Bundestag - now still the West German parliament - until a new parliament is formed after Dec. 2 all- German elections.

For the first time since 1953, communists will be among the deputies in the all-German parliament, at least until Dec. 2.

The East German ministers will represent the interests of the five states

East Germany will form in joining the 11 existing West German states at unification, said Rudolf Seiters, a senior aid to Kohl.

Creation of the five states was outlined in a bilateral unification treaty onfinancial, legal and technical aspects of the Oct. 3 merger. The treaty signed last Friday by the East and West German governments was presented this week in both German parliaments, which are to ratify it later this month. The Bundestag, the West German parliament, is to vote on the document Sept. 14.

Elections for regional governments in the new states are scheduled for Oct. 14 before all-German parliamentary elections Dec. 2.

The four World War II victors are expected to give the final gsein light for German unification at a meeting of the four foreign ministers with their German counterparts in Moscow, Sept. 12.

The agreement will then be presented to the 35-member Conference on Security and Disarmament in Europe meeting in New York, Oct. 1-2.

Officials from the four powers - France, Britain, the Soviet Union and the United States - and the German governments are currently meeting in East Berlin to tie-up details of the agreement.

EC tariffs would be waived until 1992 for some trade between East Germany and its traditional Comecon trading partners. This proposal is likely to be the most controversial at next Wednesday's meeting of foreign ministers.

The Commission's proposal was laid out in a rare summer meeting, on Aug. 21, and is presented in a 350-page report that seeks to minimize the costs to both a united Germany and the 12-nation EC as a whole.

Initial estimates forecast a cost to the Community of $7.5 billion over the next three years, but the rapid collapse of East Germany's economy since German monetary union began on July 1 is expected to push the total far higher.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - The Navy's Military Sealift Command is considering chartering a large Soviet cargo ship to help haul U.S. military equipment to Saudi Arabia for Operation Desert Shield, an official said Wednesday.

''At this point in time, no decision has been made to charter it or not to charter it,'' said Marge Holtz, spokeswoman for the command.

She said when the command issued a notice to the commercial shipping market a few weeks ago that it was interested in chartering cargo ships, an American broker in New York responded with an offer of one Soviet ''roll-on, roll-off'' vessel.

The large ships have the capacity to carry hundreds of vehicles such as tanks and armored personnel carriers that can easily, as the name implies, be rolled onto the ship from a dock and rolled off at the destination.

''We've talked to a tremendous number of people (about charters),'' she said. ''This particular broker offered one, and we haven't gone beyond that.

''There is no indication at this point that we are going to charter this (Soviet) ship, but there's nothing to preclude that,'' she said.

The Navy's Military Sealift Command, which has experienced mechanical difficulties with some of the ships activated from the Ready Reserve Force has chartered 30 vessels so far for Operation Desert Shield, Holtz said.

Of those 30, 22 were foreign and eight were American, primarily roll-on, roll-off off ships and breakbulk vessels that can carry large amounts of heavy military equipment, she said. The foreign charters came from numerous countries ranging from Britain and Norway to the Caribbean island of Antiqua.

Holtz said the large number of charters was not an indication that something is wrong with the Navy's sealift capacity.

''Part of the plan has always been to rely on the merchant marine,'' she said. ''This is normal.''

The command so far has called for the activation of 43 ships in the Ready Reserve Force, where ships are kept on standby status in case of war or other national emergency. It has received 33 of them so far, she said.

''Some of them do have difficulties, do have problems,'' Hotlz said. ''It has not slowed the (U.S. military) deployment (to Saudi Arabia), however.''

She also said she did not know the price being asked for the Soviet cargo ship or the name of the vessel. ''It's always referred to simply as the Soviet ro-ro.''

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LONDON (SEPT. 5) UPI - The Crown Prince of Kuwait said Wednesday the exiled leadership would make no territorial concessions nor would they

submit to a plebiscite to end Iraq's occupation of the Gulf monarchy.

He also criticized King Hussein of Jordan for ''serious mistakes'' in handling the crisis and said Jordan would have to suffer the economic consequences of the king's policy.

Speaking at a press conference at the end of his three-day visit to London Crown Prince Sheik Saad al-Abdullah al-Sabah dismissed suggestions that Kuwait give up control of two Gulf islands of Warbah and Bubiyan or allow a popular vote on the future of the monarchy to resolve the crisis.

''Neither I nor any other Kuwaiti official can make any concessions, not even a single inch of our territory, to be conceded. But we will continue to insist on liberating all our territory whatever sacrfices we may make '' the Crown Prince, who is also the Kuwaiti prime minister, said.

''The Kuwaiti people have already expressed their opinion,'' he said. ''They all are emphatic about what kind of government they would like to have. They have said their word.'' (sic)

In letters to members of the British Parliament, which has been recalled for an emergency session Thursday and Friday, Kuwaiti groups in Britain and Ireland appealed for Britain to maintain a united stand.

''He must be stopped now - whatever the cost,'' the groups, Free Kuwait Campaign, the National Union of Kuwaiti Students and British Friends of Kuwait, said in the letter.

''For no matter what price is paid now, it will be much higher in the future,'' the letter stated.

Last week, left wing Labor MP Tony Benn started a Stop the War campaign against British and American presence in the Gulf.

The Crown Prince said he will visit Italy and France next to thank them for their support and urge them to keep pressure on Iraq.

The Crown Prince praised western, especially British and U.S. support, and Arab backing. But he criticized Jordan's King Hussein for his mediation attempts and failure to side with Kuwait, one of Jordan's aid donors.

''I do not deny that we have extended and provide a lot of help and financial aid to King Hussein in the past and, of course, he remembers that very well,'' the Crown Prince said.

''But now and whatever economic damages Jordan might be exposed to, King Hussein has to bear the consequences of his own policies and the serious mistakes that he has made and continues to make. King Hussein should

remember the attitude, the backing of Kuwait, both at the official and the popular level,'' he said.

The Crown Prince said Kuwait will set up a humanitarian fund for those hurt by the implementation of United Nation's sanctions, but refused to confirm reports that Kuwait will pay dlrs 3 billion toward the western and Arab military deployment in the region.

He said he hoped sanctions would force Iraq to withdraw, but declined to comment on specific actions Kuwait would take if sanctions failed. Nothing short of the full implementation of the five U.N.'s resolutions, which call for Iraq's unconditional withdraw and the restoration of the al-Sabah government, would be acceptable, he said.

''We will fight and we'll struggle and we'll fight again with all our friends against Iraqi aggressors,'& de said.

The Crown Prince said he considered Saddam Hussein a threat, but did not call for his removal.

''Although I wholeheartedly believe that (Saddam) is an enemy to Iraq itself and an enemy to the whole region, even to the whole world, I leave that to the Iraqi people themselves to decide whether to keep him or kick him out.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Sex and basics about reproduction confuse Americans, with most respondents flunking a Kinsey Institute quiz, it was reported Wednesday.

In a survey conducted for the institiute by the Roper Organization last October, 82 percent of 1,974 Americans questioned received a grade of D or below. Fifty-five percent could not answer correctly at least 10 of the 18 questions on topics ranging from pregnancy to extramarital affairs.

''We are a nation of sexual illiterates,'' said the report's lead author, June Reinisch, director of the renowned research center on sexuality at Indiana University.

''No wonder we have the highest teenage pregnancy rate in the Western industrialized world,'' she said at a news conference to release the survey and a book promoting sex literacy.

''No wonder the rate of sexually transmitted diseases continues to grow. And no wonder the AIDS crisis has not abated.''

Forty-nine percent of the respondents incorrectly believed that a woman cannot get pregnant while she is menstruating, Reinisch said.

The survey also found that Americans tend to believe the average person has sex at a younger age than research has found, she said. Three-quarters of the respondents did not know that the age the average American first has sexual intercourse apparently is between 16 and 17.

A similar percentage - and even more women than men - overestimated the percentage of married man who have had at least one extramarital affair.

Sixty percent of those surveyed said they believe that most women have a preference for men with large penises, contrary to studies showing otherwise.

The erring belief, howver, is consistent with fears men often express in desperate letters to the institute, Reinisch said.

Nearly 80 percent incorrectly answered a question asking what percentage of American women have had anal intercourse, which is estimated to be between 30 percent and 40 percent, she said.

Fifty percent in the survey knew that oil-based lubricants, such as petroleum jelly and baby oil, can make holes in condoms or diaphragms and only water-based lubricants should be used.

Reinisch characterized the survey as supplementing rather than updating the ground-breaking sex research of Dr. Alfred Kinsey in the late 1940s and said it showed many dangerous myths persist in spite of education efforts mounted to battle the AIDS epidemic.

Only 21 percent were aware than about one out of four American men have had a sexual experience with another male during their teens or adult years, the survey said.

The Midwest scored the best, with only 45 percent of respondents in the region failing, followed by the West with 53 percent and both the Northeast and the South with 60 percent flunking.

Women and men scored about equally well overall, but men more often could answer questions relating to sexual activity while women were better informed about personal health care and contraaception.

Less surprising were higher scores among those aged 30 to 44, respondents who described themselves as liberal or moderate politically and those with higher income and education levels, the researchers said.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 5) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	76.95	77.60	76.87	77.27	77.02
Dec	75.57	75.90	75.40	75.62	75.62
Feb	74.55	75.02	74.45	74.60	74.67
Apr	75.30	75.70	75.12	75.32	75.37
Jun	73.25	73.60	73.10	73.30	73.25
Aug	71.70	71.80	71.52	71.52	71.55
Oct	71.70	71.75	71.55	71.55	71.55

Est. sales 15,335 contracts; Tuesday 16,053; open interest 69,304 up 818.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Sep	87.05	87.35	86.85	87.02	87.02
Oct	85.50	86.00	85.40	85.75	85.67
Nov	85.55	86.10	85.40	85.72	85.70
Jan	85.00	85.20	84.70	85.05	85.22
Mar	83.85	83.95	83.55	83.70	83.85
Apr	83.10	83.15	82.70	82.75	83.12
May	81.70	81.85	81.60	81.60	81.85

Est. sales 1,399 contracts; Tuesday 1,655; open interest 9,558 off 1,858.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	49.40	49.55	49.17	49.27	48.92
Dec	50.50	50.70	50.10	50.17	50.10
Feb	47.90	48.30	47.90	48.20	47.77
Apr	44.70	44.80	44.40	44.52	44.55
Jun	49.00	49.12	48.80	48.80	48.80
Jly	49.00	49.22	49.00	49.10	48.90
Aug	47.75	47.97	47.75	47.90	47.70
Oct	....	43.70	43.60	43.60	43.50

Est. sales 5,777 contracts; Tuesday 5,353; open interest 28,509 up 623.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	50.60	51.37	50.45	51.10	50.20
Mar	50.65	51.20	50.40	51.12	50.22
May	51.75	52.00	51.30	51.65	50.85
Jly	52.15	52.50	52.15	52.50	52.10

Est. sales 2,718 contracts; Tuesday 2,806; open interest 6,316 up 116.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 120.36 up 28 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 118.93 down 3

cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 114.19 up 3 cents, 700-850 lbs. 113.70 down 16 cents.

Pork carlot trading moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins firm to 250 higher; Boston butts not fully established; skinned hams steady to $2.00 lower; seedless bellies mostly steady; loins 14-18 lbs. 120.00- 126.00, 18-22 lbs. 122.50; hams 17-20 lbs. 91.00- 92.00, 20-26 lbs. 87.00-90.00, 32 lbs.and up 87.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 35.00, 12-14 lbs. 37.00, 14-16 lbs. 37.00.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - Iraqi envoy Tariq Aziz is in Moscow today... apparently trying strengthen ties with Iraq's one-time ally before the Bush-Gorbachev summit. Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov says Aziz will meet with Gorbachev tonight to discuss Persian Gulf developments. The Soviet Union was a staunch ally of Iraq in the eight-year Iran-Iraq war, selling Baghdad much of its arsenal of weapons.

Secretary of State Baker is scheduled to brief NATO foreign ministers next Monday in Belgium on results of the Bush-Gorbachev summit this weekend in Finland. And a NATO source indicates there's a possibility that President Bush will attend the session, coming one day after he meets Soviet leader Gorbachev in Helsinki. The NATO ministers continued talks on the Persian Gulf crisis today, with U-S officials pressing allies for a greater role in the Middle East.

Officials in South Africa are investigating the involvement of army troops in the deaths of 11 black people outside a migrant worker hostel in a township near Johannesburg. A Defense Force spokesman says a board of inquiry was convened to investigate the slayings. At least 11 people were found dead yesterday after troops opened fire to disperse township residents angry about an alleged attack by Zulu hostel dwellers in which four people died. Police today reported calm in black townships rocked by factional violence.

U-S officials canceled off-post leave and non-essential travel for U-S military personnel amid reports of increased threats against Americans at six installations in the Philippines. U-S military television's Far East Network broadcast the announcement which covers 41-thousand troops, Defense Department workers and their dependents. The announcement comes just five days before the expected resumption of talks on the renewal of U-S basing rights in the Philippines.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - Administrators and temporary instructors are doing what they can to keep classes open at colleges that have been hit by teacher walkouts. The schools include Temple University in Philadelphia, Wayne State in Detroit and the University of Bridgeport in Connecticut. Also, 40- thousand elementary school children are getting additional vacation time because of teacher strikes in Michigan, Illinois and Pennsylvania.

Technicians have moved the service tower away from the shuttle Columbia on its launch pad at Cape Canaveral. That clears the way for the start of the criticial fuel loading operation this afternoon. Columbia is still a ''go'' for an early morning launch tomorrow and the start of a 10-day astronomy mission now running three months late.

A tropical storm forming in the mid-Atlantic is now just under tropical storm strength, and forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami say it will continue to grow. If it does, it will be named Tropical Storm Isidore, the ninth since the six-month hurricane season began June 1st. Three of the storms later grew to hurricane strength.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 5) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.58	2.63 1/2	2.58	2.63	2.56 1/4
Dec	2.74 1/2	2.81	2.74 1/2	2.80 3/4	2.74 1/4
Mar	2.87	2.92 3/4	2.86 3/4	2.92 1/2	2.86 1/4
May	2.94 1/2	2.99 3/4	2.94 1/4	2.99 1/4	2.93 3/4
Jly	3.00	3.04 1/2	3.00	3.04 1/2	2.99 3/4
Sep	3.05 1/2	3.08	3.05 1/2	3.08	3.04 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.41 3/4	2.43 3/4	2.41 1/2	2.43 1/4	2.40 3/4
Dec	2.35	2.36 1/4	2.34 1/2	2.36	2.34 1/4
Mar	2.44	2.45	2.43 1/4	2.44 3/4	2.43 1/4
May	2.50 3/4	2.51 1/4	2.50	2.51	2.50 1/2
Jly	2.55 1/2	2.55 3/4	2.54 1/2	2.55	2.54 3/4
Sep	2.54 1/2	2.54 3/4	2.53	2.53 1/4	2.54
Dec	2.55	2.55	2.53	2.53 1/4	2.54 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.08	1.09 1/4	1.07 3/4	1.08 3/4	1.07 3/4
Dec	1.19 3/4	1.20 1/2	1.19 1/4	1.20	1.19 1/2
Mar	1.31 1/2	1.31 3/4	1.30 1/2	1.31 1/2	1.31

May	1.37 1/2	1.37 3/4	1.37 1/2	1.37 1/2	1.37 1/4
Jly	1.44	1.44	1.43 1/2	1.43 1/2	1.43 1/2

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	6.10	6.12 1/2	6.07 1/2	6.11 3/4	6.08
Nov	6.25	6.27 1/2	6.22 1/2	6.26 1/2	6.24 1/4
Jan	6.38 1/2	6.40 3/4	6.36	6.39 3/4	6.37 1/2
Mar	6.53	6.54	6.49 3/4	6.53 1/2	6.50 1/2
May	6.59 1/2	6.62	6.58	6.61 1/2	6.58
Jly	6.65 1/2	6.68	6.63 1/2	6.67 3/4	6.64
Aug	6.56 1/2	6.60	6.56 1/2	6.59	6.54
Sep	6.40	6.40	6.37	6.37	6.37
Nov	6.30	6.30	6.26	6.27 3/4	6.29 1/4

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Sep	24.35	24.49	24.29	24.37	24.27
Oct	24.15	24.43	24.15	24.29	24.13
Dec	24.30	24.59	24.30	24.45	24.29
Jan	24.55	24.71	24.50	24.57	24.41
Mar	24.73	24.90	24.68	24.70	24.52
May	24.85	25.05	24.80	24.85	24.70
Jly	24.75	25.05	24.75	24.95	24.70
Aug	24.70	24.70	24.55	24.55	24.37
Sep	24.40	24.45	24.35	24.42	24.10
Oct	23.95	24.10	23.95	24.05	23.97
Dec	23.75	23.90	23.75	23.90	23.85

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	176.00	177.00	175.40	176.90	175.70
Oct	178.00	179.10	177.50	179.00	177.90
Dec	182.20	183.40	181.80	183.30	182.20
Jan	184.00	185.30	183.50	185.00	183.60
Mar	187.00	188.00	186.40	188.00	186.20
May	189.50	189.50	188.50	189.00	188.00
Jly	191.00	191.50	190.50	191.50	191.00
Aug	190.50	190.50	190.00	190.00	189.20
Sep	188.50	188.50	188.00	188.00	188.20
Dec	184.00	184.00	182.00	183.50	187.00

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., handed President Bush Wednesday a list of 131 foreign firms that in the past have sold Iraq equipment that could be used in its military buildup.

The list, drawn up from unclassified, published sources, includes 68 West German companies, 13 from Austria and 10 each from the United Kingdom and

the United States.

The list does not include the Soviet Union, largest single supplier of military equipment to Iraq, since that was a government-to-government series of transactions and did not involve any specific companies.

Helms, the ranking Republican on the Foreign Relations Committee, said that he handed over a copy of the list - titled ''Saddam's Foreign Legion'' - to Bush during a White House meeting Wednesday morning between the president and about 30 congressional leaders.

The 68 West German firms outnumbered by far other countries. The German firms included Siemens (lathes and computer control equipment), Daimler Benz (security vehicles), Messerschmidt-Boelkow-Blohm (fuel air explosive technology, combat helicopters), Carl Zeiss (equipment for a chemical weapons facility), Thyssen (weapon and ammunition facilities), AEG (weapon and ammunition facilities) and Nukem (nuclear technology).

The U.S. firms listed are: Alcolac International (chemical precursors, possibly for chemical weapons); Banco National Lavoro, Atlanta branch (finance for Iraqi exports); Sitico (an Iraqi-financed front company); Nu Kraft Marcantile Co. (precursor chemicals); Hewlett- Packard (electronic equipment); Scientific-Atlanta (telecommunications); Tektronix (computer graphic terminal); Wiltron Co. (Scalar analyzer system); United States Steel and Strip Corp. (precursor chemicals) and Lummus Crest (chemical precursors).

The Helms list did not include Bell Helicopter Textron, which was identified Tuesday by Secretary of State James Baker as selling Iraq ''a few helicopters.''

Under the current United Nations embargoes, all of the deliveries on previous contracts would have to be canceled.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - The Navy released the Iraqi cargo ship it had seized in the Gulf of Oman a day earlier to prevent the vessel from delivering a load of tea to Iraq, Pentagon officials said Wednesday.

''The boarding party has returned to the (guided-missile destroyer USS) Goldsborough,'' said Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lundquist, a Pentagon spokesman. ''The Iraqi ship is in international waters. We are continuing to monitor it.''

It was believed the United States had received some assurances that the cargo ship, still in the Gulf of Oman, would not try to enter the Persian

Gulf or the Red Sea in an attempt to deliver its cargo of tea from Sri Lanka.

Lundquist said the U.S. Navy and Coast Guard members from the Goldsborough who boarded the cargo ship Tuesday never took the vessel to a port despite reports it was going to be taken to Oman's port of Muscat.

He said the new destination of the Iraqi ship, named Zanoobia, was unknown.

It was the first ship seized during the U.S. intercept operation in the Persian Gulf region that began Aug. 17 to enforce the U.N. embargo against Iraqi goods.

The Iraqi ship was 268 feet in length and capable of carrying 1,599 tons of goods. Williams said he did not know how much tea the vessel had on board.

The United States boarded an Iraqi vessel for the first time last Friday, in the Red Sea. The vessel was empty, however, and was allowed to proceed.

Williams said Tuesday there had been about 550 U.S. interceptions in the Persian Gulf, the Red Sea and the Gulf of Oman since the operation began Aug. 17. But most of those have just been radio contact with commercial vessels, he said. Only 20 ships have been boarded.

On Aug. 18, two U.S. warships fired warnings shot across the bows of two Iraqi oil tankers leaving the Persian Gulf, but the tankers ignored the warnings and kept moving out to sea. No further U.S. action was taken.

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CAIRO (SEPT. 5) UPI - Egypt hiked its crude oil export prices Wednesday $3.50 a barrel across the board, partially offsetting a $5 reduction last week.

With the latest increase, Egyptian prices are now $10 higher than they were prior to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

The Egyptian General Petroleum Corp. announced that the premium Zeit Bay-Ras el Behar and Gulf of Suez blends were now priced at $29.30 and $29 a barrel, respectively.

The medium Balaim and Ras Badran crudes were priced at $28.15 and $27 a barrel, respectively, EGPC said, and the heavy Ras Ghareb would sell for $26.70 a barrel.

Egypt Friday reduced its crude oil export prices by $5 a barrel. Prices

had previously been reduced by a total of $11.50 a barrel in the month following the invasion and U.N. embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - Gasoline prices nationwide fell 3.4 cents a gallon from the previous week's peak levels but experts Wednesday said the relief to motorists may be short-lived even if the Persian Gulf situation doesn't worsen.

The American Automobile Association in its latest survey released Wednesday said the average price of regular unleaded gasoline at self-service stations was $1.273 a gallon, down 3.4 cents from the previous week's $1.307 a gallon, which was the highest price recorded since Thanksgiving 1981.

The latest decline is the first price drop since Aug. 13. But the prices are still 19.8 cents higher than Aug. 1, the day prior to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

''This is probably a reflection of the decrease in demand for gasoline after the Labor Day weekend, which marks the end of the summer driving season,'' said David Morehead of the Petroleum Marketers Association of America, a Washington, D.C.-based trade group for independent gasoline marketers.

''I also think people are responding to the recent price increases by driving less and conserving gasoline.''

Rutherford Poats at the Energy Futures Group in Bethesda, Md., called the decline a ''mere lull in the market.''

''If the situation as it looks now continues into the fall, I would say we are probably looking at steadily rising prices,'' Poats said. ''That is because the demand for crude oil traditionally rises in the fourth quarter which means higher prices and if the refinery capacity remains strained as it is now or if one or two refineries encounter problems, we could see product prices such as gasoline jump very quickly.''

Poats said it should also be noted the current inventory or stocks of gasoline in the country is about 210 million barrels, much lower than last year's level of about 225 million barrels.

''At the same time the refineries are at near capacity utilization. So I wouldn't put too much stock in this 3.4 cent decline because the prospects for further increases are fairly high. The latest decline may only be a reflection of the intense competition among marketers that comes after the

end of the summer driving season but this is not going to perpetuate itself.''

Thus, he said, even if there is no worsening of the Persian Gulf crisis, U.S. motorists are likely to see higher gasoline prices.

Poats also said it is too early to tell if motorists have begun to conserve gasoline.

The AAA said its survey found supplies of gasoline adequate throughout the country despite the higher Labor Day weekend demand.

Prices decreased most in the Southwest, West and Southeast. The declines were more modest in the Midwest, New England and Mid-Atlantic. Prices were virtually unchanged in the Great Lakes region.

In futures trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange Wednesday, unleaded gasoline for October delivery had fallen 1.67 cents in early afternoon to 92.85 cents a gallon, as traders apparently took profits after the price rose by 8.34 cents Tuesday.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - President Bush spoke by telephone Wednesday with Ambassador Nathaniel Howell at the beleagured U.S. Embassy in Kuwait and told him ''to keep up the good work,'' a White House spokesman said.

Bush expressed ''the appreciation of American citizens'' for the efforts Howell and his skeleton staff have made to help other Americans trapped by the Iraqi invasion, press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said.

Fitzwater said the American diplomats remaining in Kuwait city are facing ''very difficult circumstances'' in terms of physical hardships, but the embassy continues to work actively to get American citizens out of the Persian Gulf state.

Fitzwater said Bush spoke with Howell for about 10 minutes around 10:30 a.m. EDT.

The embassy compound in Kuwait has been isolated by Iraqi troops, with water and electricity cut off. Some telephone service has continued, but officials assume calls are being monitored.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 5) UPI - Workers in western Siberia's rich Tyumen oil and

natural gas fields threatened a strike Wednesday if emergency measures were not implemented to raise their standard of living.

The official Soviet news agency Tass said the workers made the threat in a statement adopted at a meeting of the Tyumen regional trade union committee of the oil and gas industry. They did not give a deadline.

''We understand that an ultimatum is an extreme measure, but other measures have already been used,'' the chairman of the regional committee, identified only by his last name Trifonov, told Tass.

''A year has passed since we began to manifest our anxiety over sharpening social tension in the region,'' Trifonov said. ''On the contrary, allocations for the development of Tyumen region were cut, and supplies to oil and gas workers are irregular.

''The branch is on the verge of crisis. Mass dismissals have begun, and people are not protected by any resolutions. We demand serious decisions.''

The oil and gas workers are asking for ''a package of social guarantees,'' including better living conditions and more available consumer goods, Tass said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 5 to 25 points higher. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.62	10.88	10.62	10.77	10.52
Mar	10.47	10.60	10.42	10.48	10.40
May	10.48	10.61	10.45	10.53	10.42
Jly	10.48	10.56	10.45	10.54	10.43
Oct	10.55	10.60	10.53	10.58	10.53

Estimated sales: 17,916 contracts

Open interest: 119,498 up 746

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.89

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday unchanged to 5 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.38	23.41	23.38	23.40	23.38
Jan	23.15	23.15	23.23	23.15	23.15
Mar	23.01	23.01	23.01	23.01	22.96
May	23.02	23.02	23.02	23.02	23.01

Jly	23.02	23.03	23.02	23.02	23.01
Sep	23.03	23.03	23.03	23.03	23.01
Nov	22.78	....	....	22.89	22.88

Estimated sales: 201 contracts
Open interest: 10,197 off 186

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#90248u1362 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - Rep. Henry Gonzalez, D-Texas, chairman of the House Banking Committee, offered a plan Wednesday to strengthen the nation's deposit insurance funds and limit taxpayer liability in bank and thrift failures.

''It is time for the Congress to start putting the hard issues on the table for debate,'' Gonzalez said in a speech to the House.

''We must now confront what no one wanted to admit four or five years ago: the deposit insurance system is in urgent need of repair. Not only did the savings and loan insurance fund fail, today the bank insurance fund is facing a fifth consecutive year of multibillion-dollar losses,'' he said.

Among the changes Gonzalez proposed is remival cf ceilings on insurance premium assessments paid by banks and thrifts and giving regulators authority to change the assessments as conditions require.

He also proposed extending the assessments to foreign deposits, establishing a risk-based premium system to ensure that institutions that engage in greater risks pay higher premiums, and limiting the investments that can be made in the insured funds in order to further reduce the risk exposure.

Gonzalez also suggested that Congress consider limiting the number of accounts that can be insured and reducing the current $100,000 insurance coverage for individual accounts.

Gonzalez said regulatory agencies should be strengthened and he called for creation of a single consolidated regulatory agency that ''is truly independent and that can provide consistent supervision of all insured institutions.''

The plan calls for strengthening capital of insured institutions to ensure that owners risk their money, not just the taxpayers', Gonzalez said.

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#90248u1366 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 5) UPI - Relative calm returned to black

townships Wednesday, but a war of words between black leader Nelson Mandela and Defense Minister Gen. Magnus Malan erupted over the army's role in killing 11 people outside a migrant worker hostel.

''They have come here not for the purpose of maintaining law and order but for the purpose of carrying on a war against the black man,'' Mandela told a crowd of about 2,000 supporters in Vosloorus, one of several townships torn by recent strife.

While giving no indication Tuesday's killings in the southern township of Sebokeng jeopardized power-sharing talks between the African National Congress and the white government, Mandela said, ''We are going to warn the government that if they want war, they will have war.

''They have used live bullets against our people instead of using water jets and other methods of crowd control. They are doing that because they don't care for the lives of the black man. That is what is happening and the government must stop that.''

In a statement, Malan criticized Mandela for blaming the army for the attack instead of ''addressing the essence of the causes of the conflict'' between rival black factions. More than 570 people have died in the past three weeks in the inter-tribal violence.

''The defense force and the South African police are repeatedly called upon to intervene in such situations and, while endangering their own lives, and under provocation, prevent human slaughter.

''At the same time, black leaders who don't seem to be able to manage the conflict, conveniently transfer the blame to the security forces... In terms of security considerations it is time for reflection and responsible action,'' Malan said.

Police reported calm had returned to the townships Wednesday, with only two incidents related to faction fighting overnight, neither of which caused any casualties. One house was burned down and a police patrol came under fire from unidentified gunmen.

Defense force headquarters said a board of inquiry had begun investigating Tuesday's incident. Eleven people were killed at the gates of the Sebokeng hostel when a platoon of army troops opened fire to disperse a crowd of township residents.

The crowd, angered by an alleged attack by vigilantes of the Zulu movement Inkatha, had massed outside the hostel. Police put the crowd at 5,000 and said they were armed with gasoline bombs and other dangerous weapons, prompting police trapped inside the hostel while investigating the earlier killings to call for army reinforcements.

But the ANC said in a statement Wednesday the hostel, which has had no Zulu residents since last month, was raided at 2 a.m. by armed Inkatha vigilantes and ''some whites.'' During the raid, 19 hostel dwellers were killed, the ANC said.

The 11 killed by army troops were among 36 who died in Sebokeng Tuesday. They were the first killings by soldiers since the government imposed tough emergency regulations on strife-torn townships on Aug. 24 that included the deployment of extra police and military units.

Mandela again Wednesday rejected any suggestions that the conflict between the ANC, which draws heavily among Xhosas for its support, and the Zulu movement led by chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi was a tribal one.

''We have no quarrels with the Zulu people,'' he said. ''These are our people. These are our flesh and blood. What we condemn and what we are going to deal with are people who allow themselves to be used by police to kill our people.''

What happened wa unclear. People outside the hostel were sitting down when the soldiers arrived. Peter Mabuye, a photogpraher for Afrikaans weekly Vaalweekblad, said the soldiers fired after at least one unidentified object was thrown at them.

''Then the shooting broke out. I threw myself on the ground, bullets whistled above me. I pressed myself flat until a tear gas grenade landed next to me.'' After the shooting stooped, Mabuye said the soldiers climbed into the vehicles and drove away.

The shooting followed release over the weekend of a report by a commission of inquiry into the shooting deaths of demonstrators by police in Sebokeng in March. The commission was sharply critical of police behavior, and Mandela noted, ''only confirms that the conduct of the police leaves much to be desired.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	382.25 off 4.75
Morning fixing	384.60 up 2.35
Afternoon fixing	383.30 up 1.05
Close	387.00 up 4.75
Paris	387.60 up 0.87

Zurich	386.50	up 3.00
Hong Kong	384.15	off 4.90
New York		
Comex spot close	386.10	up 2.40
Republic cash	387.25	up 2.50
Handy and Harman	383.30	up 1.90

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 384.60 up 1.90 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 403.83 up 1.99 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.735	up 0.016
Republic cash	4.77	up 0.01

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.745 per fine ounce up 0.005

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.785 up 0.04 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.120 up 0.043

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 487.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 587.00 up 1.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 111.00 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 126.00 off 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90248u1382 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Gold futures closed 240 to 270 points higher Wednesday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	382.20	386.60	386.60	386.10	383.70
Oct	384.40	391.00	384.40	388.50	386.00
Dec	389.00	395.50	388.50	393.00	390.50
Feb	393.20	399.30	393.40	397.40	394.70
Apr	397.50	402.10	397.50	401.50	398.80
Jun	401.70	404.50	401.50	405.90	403.20
Aug	405.80	....	....	410.00	407.30
Oct	410.40	....	....	414.60	411.90

Dec	415.00	419.90	419.50	419.20	416.50
Feb	420.00	....	....	424.20	421.50
Apr	424.80	....	....	429.00	426.30
Jun	429.80	....	....	434.00	431.30

Open interest: 121,974 off 1,173.

Estimated sales: 36,000 contracts.

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#90248u1401 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - Bowing to calls from lawmakers, President Bush will address Congress Tuesday evening on developments in the Persian Gulf and the goals of the military buildup to thwart Iraqi aggression.

The nationally televised address in the House at 9 p.m. EDT will occur just two days after Bush returns from his weekend emergency summit meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on the Gulf crisis.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said that the congressional invitation was extended to Bush by Speaker Tom Foley, D-Wash., and Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine at a White House luncheon.

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#90248u1411 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 5) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today rallied Moslems around the world to rise up against their pro-Western rulers. In a nearly 40-minute televised speech read by his spokesman, Saddam specifically called on Moslems in Egypt and Saudi Arabia- quoting- ''to revolt against their traitors, rulers and fight foreign presence in the holy land.'' Saddam likened Operation Desert Shield to the United States in Vietnam. .

A plane carrying 92 Western women and children landed in London today on a flight from the Jordanian capital. British officials say the group fled Baghdad yesterday on a U-S-chartered Iraqi Airways jet. Also today, French officials say an Air France jet left Paris for Amman to collect 44 French women and children who landed in Jordan yesterday aboard an Iraqi plane from Iraq. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has agreed to free Western women and children held in Iraq and occupied Kuwait. .

The Pentagon says an Iraqi vessel seized and commandeered by the Navy in the Gulf of Oman remains at sea today. Chief Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams says the United States has NOT determined yet what to do with the ship's cargo of tea, other than to keep it away from Iraqi ports. The ship was seized yesterday under a U-S intercept operation designed to enforce a U-N embargo against Iraqi goods.

President Bush received full support for his actions in the Persian Gulf in a one-hour meeting this morning with 30 Congressmen just back from the region. Rhode Island Democratic Senator Claiborne Pell said he was pleased with the willingness of gulf countries to carry their own share of the burden. And the head of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee said morale of U-S troops was high.

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#90248u1412 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - President Bush marked the first anniversary of his drug war Wednesday by helping release a rosy report on the battle and vowing that despite the Persian Gulf crisis illicit narcotics remain his top concern.

''Block by block, school by school, child by child, we will take back the streets,'' declared Bush, flanked by federal anti-drug chief William Bennett. ''We will never surrender.''

Encouraged by figures showing decreased drug use and reduced cocaine and heroin hospital emergency room cases, Bush said, ''The crisis is far from over. But there are clear signs of progress.''

Other figures, however, not listed in Bennett's report, ''Leading Drug Indicators,'' show that many cities, including the nation's capital, are in the grips of record murder rates, many tied to narcotics.

Bush made no reference to the drug-related slayings. But he said: ''My administration will remain on the front lines until this scourge is licked for good.''

The president made the comments at a White House briefing on drugs after conferring earlier in the day with about 30 members of Congress who just returned from the volatile Persian Gulf.

''I know other subjects are preoccupying all of us these days,'' said Bush referring to the high-stakes showdown with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. ''But this (drugs) remains number one.''

On Sept. 5, 1989, Bush issued a congressionally mandated national anti-drug strategy that resulted in Congress approving $9.5 billion for interdiction, law enforcement, treatment and prevention.

The president has requested that Congress raise the figure to $10.6 billion for fiscal 1991, which begins Oct. 1. This would mark a 70 percent increase in federal anti-drug funding in the past two years.

Bennett, in his ''white paper'' report, cited studies showing a slight decline in drug-related emergency room admissions, as well as a somewhat big drop in drug use by teenagers.

One survey found that the percentage of teenagers saying that they had used drugs within the past 30 days fell from more than 35 percent in 1981 to 25 percent in 1987 to less than 20 percent last year.

''Mounting empirical evidence indicates that our current epidemic, though still intolerably large, has begun to recede,'' said Bennett, who attributed the gains, in part, to Bush's leadership and the American people's resolve.

Reaction to Bennett's ''white paper'' was swift and pointed.

House Government Operations Committee Chairman John Conyers, D- Mich., said that the 4 percent drop in cocaine emergency room visits cited in the report ''is very welcome news.''

But, Conyers noted, studies have shown that ''the number of deaths in the United States resulting from cocaine use have increased by 11 percent in the last year.''

''Drug czar Bennett and President Bush cannot deny that we are losing the drug war in our inner cities,'' he said. ''I am concerned that the Bush-Bennett drug strategy has emphasized assistance to upper middle class abusers and their families, not the chronic abusers who are most often poor and minorities.''

The congressman also said the United States ''will never win this war on drugs until we rethink and refocus the priorities of the drug strategy.''

He said, ''Spending over 70 percent of the budget on law enforcement leaves inadequate dollars for prevention and treatment. The budget should be reallocated to reflect a 50-50 division.''

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#90248u1417 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (SEPT. 5) UPI - The leadership of the Solidarity union voted Wednesday to take away the Solidarity logo from Gazeta Wyborcza, the daily newspaper established by the union in 1989.

Barbara Malak, spokeswoman for the Solidarity National Council, resigned to protest the decision, which passed on a 26-21 vote with 12 abstentions during an all-day meeting in the Baltic seaport of Gdansk.

The move, which came in the leadership's first meeting after the August

holidays, has further shaken the Solidarity movement. It is split into two opposing camps, one supporting Solidarity leader Lech Walesa and the other Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki.

Gazeta Wyborcza (''Election Gazette''), was set up as an outgrowth of the historic roundtable talks in spring 1989 between the former communist government and Solidarity.

Observers at the meeting said the discussion was short and Walesa did not participate, although the move was his initiative.

The roundtable participants agreed to hold partially free parliamentary elections in June which were swept by Solidarity, and the union was given the right to set up a daily newspaper before the elections.

Walesa named the union's chief ideologist, Adam Michnik, as editor-in-chief, and it quickly became the most influential paper in Poland. The newspaper retained its title after the elections.

But Walesa began criticizing the Mazowiecki administration for its economic policies and for alleged foot-dragging on political reform, particularly in failing to remove former communist managers from the bureaucracy.

The Solidarity-led government has imposed a tough economic stabilization program Jan. 1 that has brought a 40 percent decline in the standard of living.

Michnik and other former Walesa advisers have broken with Walesa to support Mazowiecki.

Last June, Walesa sent a letter to Michnik acknowledging that he could not fire him because the paper is now under a private partnership called Agora and not sole property of the Solidarity union, but calling on him to resign. Michnik refused.

Walesa has frequently complained that Gazeta no longer represents Solidaritys views.

The move was considered an effort by Center Alliance, the movement supporting Walesa, to go on the offensive in support of his campaign for president and for other political changes.

Walesa has complained that the current president, former Communist Party leader Wojciech Jaruzelski, is ill-suited to the current political situation.

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#90248u1426 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 5) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $32 to $40 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 2 to 3 cents a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.20 to 1.95 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.22 to 0.44 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.40 to $2.70 an ounce higher for a 100-troy- ounce contract.

Platinum - $2 to $2.20 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.25 cent higher to 0.20 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 0.80 to 1.60 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract. On the CBOT 1 cent lower to 2 cents higher for a 1,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.005 to 0.025 cent a pound higher for a 112,000- pound contract.

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#90248u1434 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 5) UPI - An insolvent savings and loan association cannot escape federal takeover by simply changing into a commercial bank, a U.S. Office of Thrift Supervision lawyer argued Wednesday.

''This is an overt, deliberate attempt to escape the regulatory scheme,'' OTS attorney Harvey Levin said in urging Utah federal Judge David Winder to reject Home Mortgage Bank's request for an injunction to halt its takeover.

''This would allow individual states to make individual inroads on federal regulation,'' Levin said. ''States cannot deprive federal regulatory agencies of their authority. This is a deliberate contrivance to strip OTS of its authority.''

The agency ordered the Resolution Trust Corp. July 5 to step in as conservator of Home Mortgage, which it claimed had suffered ''operational losses every quarter and every year'' since 1983.

''This was a failing, if not a failed, institution,'' said Levin. ''It was in unsafe and unsound condition.''

But Home Mortgage attorney Jeffrey Jones claimed the thrift had changed its state charter June 15, switching to a commercial bank and taking itself out of the Office of Thrift Supervision's control.

In the suit to halt the two federal regulatory agencies from liquidating the bank's assets, Jones said Home Mortgage was just trying ''to get back what OTS took without authority. We want it returned to its rightful owners.''

The financially troubled Utah bank, which serves about 15,000 customers, ''can be recapitalized,'' he claimed.

''There may not be a need for any taxpayer dollars. The public interest is served by private dollars used to resuscitate this bank. The owners are being deprived of the right to operate their businesses. Everything of value to Home will be lost'' if the Resolution Trust Corp. sells off the assets,'' Jones said.

Winder took the arguments under advisement. The judge said he would rule quickly on the motion for an injunction.

Home Mortgage executive Fred Smolka said the thrift got into trouble in the early 1980s when Grant Affleck convinced numerous borrowers to take out second mortgages and invest the money in his real estate properties.

Affleck's businesses went bankrupt and he was convicted of defrauding investors. But, during those legal proceedings, the courts ruled Affleck and not the borrowers was responsible for the second mortgage payments.

Smolka said Home Mortgage has obtained a $2 million settlement against the loan insurance company. That money and about $1 million in funds from private investors now held in escrow will solve the bank's financial problems, he said.

''But we're not going to put those funds into the bank now just so Resolution Trust can have access to them,'' he said.

And officials from the state Financial Institutions Department said they approved the change to a commercial bank because they believed Home Mortgage's managers ''had a realistic opportunity to make this a successful financial institution. They had a sufficient plan and sufficient capital.''

However, Levin said the switch ''is an effort to avoid the board's

scrutiny ... a frustration of uniform federal regulation'' of the ''of uniform federal regula

Home Mortgage, Levin said, ''has been in the red for seven years. It has no prospects for survival. The capital they would put in is insufficient.''

Jones conceded the banking firm ''has suffered loses. That doesn't mean that will continue into the future. The OTS cannot justify this by saying its actions would be frustrated.''

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#90248u1440 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - A national index of help-wanted ads remained unchanged in July, and is likely to stay that way during the Middle East crisis, an economic research organization reported Wednesday.

The Conference Board said the seasonally-adjusted index, based on help-wanted advertising volume at 51 major newspapers across the country, was unchanged from June but 17 points below the year-ago level.

Movement in the labor market is likely to remain sluggish while the Persian Gulf crisis causes businesses and consumers to put expansion plans on hold, the New York-based group added.

''As of August 1, the economy in general and the labor market in particular was poised for a modest uptick in the second half of the year '' said Conference Board Economist Ken Goldstein.

''Now it is more likely that exporters, business investors and consumers will put some plans on hold until the economic and political situation in the Persian Gulf becomes clear.

''For the labor market, that probably means no big staff expansions over the next few months and little chance of want-ad volume quickly turning around.''

The group said worsening economic prospects could be especially harmful to the New England and Middle Atlantic regions which ''seemed on the verge of coming out of a long, steep economic decline.''

Want-ad volume in the Mountain, Pacific and East South Central regions has started to decline at a somewhat faster pace, the group said, while figures for West South Central, including oil drilling areas, remained fairly stable over the period.

''Higher oil prices could induce a pickup in oil exploration and new investment in oil refining and gas line equipment,'' the Conference Board

said.

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#90248u1452 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
QUITO, ECUADOR (SEPT. 5) UPI - The closing of a radio network that made accusations against a brother of President Rodrigo Borja does not signal any restriction on freedom of the press, a government official said Wednesday.

Borja cancelled late Tuesday the licenses for the frequencies used by Radio Sucre, making good on a threat he made last week.

The network, owned by opposition congressman Vicente Arraba Dito, accused a brother of Borja of participation in a $53 million arms deal with the army.

Borja reacted by giving the station five days to prove the charges. He offered his resignation as president if the station provided proof and threatened to cancel its license if it failed to back the accusations.

The order reverting the frequencies to the state silenced the six stations of the network that functioned in various cities.

Social Communications Secretary Leopoldo Barriga said the closure does not mean the government was moving to restrict press freedoms and was taken because the radio network made false accusations.

''It put in doubt the morality of the president, his family and the armed forces,'' Barriga said.

Network officials said they would appeal the closure.

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#90248u1469 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
BOSTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - The Bank of New England Corp. took the first step Wednesday to work out a deal that could retire some or all of its $706 million debt and shore up its badly deteriorated capital position.

The banking company said it had asked bondholders to prepare to negotiate a ''restructuring'' of that debt.

Spokesman James Dorsey termed the effort ''a further step to recapitalize the corporation.''

Although Dorsey declined to be more specific about what terms the company will seek, restructuring could mean anything from a sharply dicounted cash

buyout of the bonds to a swap that would exchange some of the company's severely depressed stock for them.

In whatever form, a satisfactory deal is important to the bank not just for the potential improvement in its capital position but also because the bonds carry high, semi-annual interest payments, much of which are coming due by Oct. 1.

If no compromise is made by then, the bank would have either of two unpleasant choices.

One would be to part with a substantial sum of badly needed cash in interest payments on the bonds. That, in any case, might not be allowed by federal regulators who have the power to halt such payment to protect the interests of depositors and their insurer, the Federal Desposit Insurance Corp.

In the second case, if regulators refused to approve the interest payment, the banking company would have to renege on its bonds, which could conceivably result in forced bankruptcy by bondholders.

Dorsey said he could not estimate when an agreement might be reached.

Representatives of bondholders were delighted with the bank's announcement.

''This is great news,'' said one. ''It means we're at the beginning stage of an exchange offer'' for the bonds.

''If it's done right, there's a high probability a lot of bonds will be exchanged and it means Bank of New England will get a major, massive infusion of capital,'' said the bondholder representative who declined to be identified.

The capital infusion would come through a transaction that might cost Bank of New England cash or, possibly, stock. If the bank could buy back a $1,000 face-value bond for, say, $100, it would thus remove a $1,000 liability for just a $100 loss in assets.

The bonds have lost as much as 75 percent of their face value in the market since the company's financial troubles came to light last year, said the representative of another group of bondholders.

Bank of New England said it had asked bondholders ''to form a committee and select financial and legal advisers so that negotiations can begin regarding restructuring'' the debt.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.85

60 to 89 days 7.75

90 to 119 days 7.69

120 to 149 days 7.68

150 to 179 days 7.65

180 to 270 days 7.57

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.98 - 7.70

Issuers 30 days 7.92

Issuers 90 days 7.60

Issuers 270 days 7.41

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.93

60 to 89 days 7.92

90 to 119 days 7.92

120 to 149 days 7.91

150 to 179 days 7.91

180 days 7.90

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.375 - 9.00

1 month 7.875 - 8.00

3 month 7.875 - 8.00

6 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

Year 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.38 - 7.36

6 months 7.33 - 7.31

Year 7.23 - 7.21

Federal Funds: High 9 1/2, Low 8 1/4, Close 9 1/2

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7.823 off 0.004.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 5) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.61-2.63 up 5 3/4-6 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.11 3/4-6.12 up 3 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.43-2.43 1/4 up 2 1/4-2 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.46-2.51 off 3 1/4-4 3/4.

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#90248u1498 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - In the interest of romance, a judge presiding over an unexpectedly long robbery trial discharged a juror with imminent wedding plans to give the bride time to get her nails and hair done before the ceremony.

But it was in the interest of justice that State Supreme Court Justice Phyllis Bamberger refused to set aside the guilty verdicts against the two robbery suspects, she said in a written decision released Wednesday.

In a ruling upholding the robbery and weapons convictions of Ronald Moss and Calvin McBride, the judge said she discharged the juror, identified only as ''Miss G.,'' during the trial only as a last resort.

She dismissed her after determining the juror would have suffered ''an unduly onerous burden'' if forced to change her wedding and honeymoon plans.

Bamberger noted the juror had planned to be married at City Hall on Friday May 11, throw a wedding bash on Saturday, May 12, and leave on a honeymoon Tuesday, May 15, using pre-paid, non-refundable airline tickets costing $430.

In her decision, Bamberger noted that before the morning ceremony the juror also planned to get a manicure and have her hair coiffed.

Bamberger tried to keep the juror as long as possible - even offering to have a judge marry the couple at the reception. But she warned the bride-to-be she would have to expand her guest list to include a court officer if deliberations had begun.

The juror quietly considered her betrothed and then told the judge, ''I don't think he is going to approve of that.''

She also said her future husband's qualms about changing plans ''would be on my mind. I don't know how much it would effect me. I would be thinking, 'Oh, God, I don't know.'''

Days after ''Miss G.'' was discharged May 9, the rest of the Bronx jury convicted Moss and McBride of second-degree robbery and possession of a dangerous instrument.

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#90248u1509 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 5) UPI - A photographer hired by MTV to take photographs of Axl Rose and his Guns N' Roses band at a video awards show has sued the group and their bodyguard for allegedly shoving him and injuring him, court documents showed Wednesday.

According to the Superior Court lawsuit, Jeff Kravitz was hired by a MTV publicist to photograph celebrities, including Rose, at the MTV Music Video Awards presentation Sept. 6, 1989.

Kravitz, wearing a large yellow ''staff'' tag that allowed him access to all parts of the Universal Amphitheater, where the show was held, was preparing to snap a picture of the heavy metal rock star when one of his bodyguards, identified only as Stewart, approached Kravitz, the suit said.

The bodyguard shouted to Kravitz ''no pictures'' and ''placed his hand over the lens of the camera, shoved the camera against Kravitz and shoved the shoulder of Kravitz,'' the suit said.

A picture taken at that moment shows part of a vest Rose was wearing and the outline of a hand, the suit said.

Kravitz started to take another picture when the bodyguard stepped in front of the camera, ''shouting 'I told you no pictures,' threatening to smash the camera to the ground and to harm Kravitz, and grabbed (his) camera to pull it away from him,'' the lawsuit said.

As Kravitz tried to protect himself and his camera, he lost his footing, and although he did not fall, was injured, the suit said.

Kravitz suffered a sprained or strained back, causing ''severe neck pain'' and ''massive headaches'' and also aggravated a previous injury to his elbow, the suit said.

The lawsuit, which alleges negligence and conspiracy to commit assault and battery, seeks unspecified compensatory and punitive damages.

Rose could not be reached for immediate comment.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	55 1-4	up 1-2
AT&T Corp	32 1-8	up 1-8
BCE Corp	32 1-4	unch
Bell Atlantic	42 1-8	off 1-4

BellSouth	50	1-2	up 1-8
Exxon Corp	50	3-4	up 5-8
Ford Motor	34	5-8	off 1-8
Genl Electric	60	1-4	off 1
Genl Motor	38	1-4	off 3-4
GTE Corp	26	1-8	up 1-4
IBM Corp	102	3-8	off 1-8
Mobil Corp	65	3-4	up 1 3-8
Nynex Corp	70	1-8	off 3-8
Pac Gas & El	21	1-8	up 1-4
Pac Telesis	40	3-8	up 5-8
Phila Elec	15	1-8	up 1-8
Sears Roebuck	29	3-8	unch
Southern Co	23	1-2	up 1-4
Swstrn Bell	48	1-8	off 7-8
U S west Co	34	1-2	up 3-8

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2628.22	up	14.85
20 Trans	897.74	up	1.66
15 Utils	198.44	up	2.39
65 Stocks	907.49	up	5.21

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#90248u1536 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

DEADHORSE, AK (SEPT. 5) UPI - An all-night fire at an oil field support warehouse near Prudhoe Bay was extinguished Wednesday and 1,000 workers who fled a toxic chemical cloud returned to their work camps, officials reported.

There were no casualties and no disruption to oil production at the North Slope oil fields.

The fire started late Tuesday in a shop operated by Dowell Schlumberger, a firm that does oil well site work, but Anchorage company manager Louis Steinke said the damage should have no impact on production or drilling.

Steinke said the blaze was confined to a 32,500-square-foot maintenance building that housed chemicals, which were set afire and released into the air.

Winds pushed the low-hanging chemical cloud and smoke toward work camps, triggering a 10-hour evacuation.

''Originally, the fire was our concern. Then, the explosions were our concern. Now, the chemicals are our concern,'' said Caribou Inn manager Meg Halsey, who took in 100 of the evacuated workers.

''We're just waiting for the cloud of bad things to pass us,'' she said early Wednesday as dozens of firefighters from two oil companies, Arco and BP, and the local government, the North Slope Borough, battled the fire in the sub-freezing pre-dawn hours Wednesday.

Six work camps were evacuated, said Gary Greener, a dispatcher for Veco, an oil field service company, which was among those that sent its workers away from the toxic cloud. Greener stayed behind, four blocks from the fire, to maintain contact with the producing oil fields.

Greener said he heard, saw and felt the explosion and said, ''It was just your typical mushroom cloud.''

The fire started at 5:15 p.m. Tuesday in the unoccupied warehouse. Less than five hours later, with the blaze still out of control, the Arco Fire Department decided firefighters should ''back away from the fire, based upon the fact that there were several known toxic and highly volatile chemicals and acids located in the structure and the probability of an explosion was high,'' said North Slope Borough public safety officer Larry Hinken.

Noxious gases coming from the burning building also prompted an evacuation at 10 p.m. that lasted until 8 a.m.

Government officials said 1,000 workers were uprooted from oil field camps and sent to the Deadhorse airport terminal for temporary shelter. Many were housed for the night in other camps and Deadhorse hotels.

Steinke downplayed the danger, calling the evacuations precautionary. But Arco said the chemicals posed a threat. And government officials voiced concerns about the chemical releases.

''With barrels of things blowing up, we don't know how much they dissipate '' said Debby Bloom, spokeswoman for the state Department of Environmental Conservation, which sent investigators to the scene.

Bloom said the substances involved included nitrogen, hydrochloric acid, hydroflouric acid and xylene, a toxic and flammable solvent.

North Slope officials were concerned that Dowell Schlumberger supervisor Charlie Winlow ''revealed that they were not entirely aware of the various chemicals stored in that plant,'' Hinken said in a statement.

No chemicals spilled onto the tundra or grounds around the fire, Bloom

said.

Deadhorse is an oil industry service center for Prudhoe Bay and other North Slope oil fields that produce one-fourth of the domestic oil supply.

Cause of the fire remained under investigation. Steinke declined to state a damage estimate.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Traveling to the tension-filled Middle East now is not only more dangerous, it's more expensive.

Commercial airlines flying to Persian Gulf destinations are facing higher insurance costs and passing those increases on to passengers in the form of war-zone surcharges, airline representatives said.

Italy's Alitalia has added a one-way $50 surcharge, the Netherland's KLM has added surcharges ranging from about $28 to $102 one-way, British Airways has proposed a one-way surcharge of about $57, Turkish Airlines is planning a surcharge beginning next week and West Germany's Lufthansa added surcharges starting at $41 to Persian Gulf destinations, airline spokesmen said.

The surcharges are an attempt to meet higher insurance costs, they said.

Airlines flying in politically tense or war-torn areas must purchase separate insurance coverage, in addition to regular coverage for aircraft and passengers, known as ''war-risk'' policies, industry experts said.

David Larner, spokesman for insurer Lloyd's of London, said increased insurance premiums were being charged to airlines due to tensions in the Gulf and the risk of war.

''Generally, more risks are being levied at two levels,'' he said. ''A higher level is being assessed to carriers domiciled in the Gulf region.''

Large international carriers based outside the Gulf also are being charged an average of $1 million more per week due to the Gulf crisis, he said.

The highest risks for flights were assessed to those originating or terminating in Jordan, followed by Saudi Arabia, said Larner.

Other Gulf states were assessed lower risk charges, he added. Regular commercial flights to Kuwait and Iraq have ceased.

The cost of insuring aircraft fleets can be staggering. The Kuwait Airways

fleet confiscated by Iraq is valued at $600 million, while a British Airways jumbo jet seized by Iraq on the tarmac at Kuwait airport is valued at $28 million, Larner said.

Vendors of war-risk insurance are concerned about the potential for loss in the Gulf, which makes their policies costly, said one aircraft insurer who asked not to be identified.

''Because the war-risk market is pretty small and a little bit nervous right now, we're talking about a substantial amount of money,'' the insurer said. ''Airlines are concerned and are prepared to pass it on to passengers.

''Even though insurance isn't a huge cost compared to fuel, it certainly is going to cost them a lot more to go into the Gulf,'' he added.

Members of the International Air Transport Association, a trade association of the world's major airlines, voted last week to seek individual government approval for surcharges of 5 percent to 8 percent on international fares.

The proposed surcharges, to be effective Oct. 1, are intended to partially recover the ''extraordinary cost rises'' due to the Gulf crisis, IATA said in a statement.

While much of airlines' higher costs are increased fuel prices, their insurance costs have risen as well, IATA spokesman John Brindley said last week.

A single trip by an jumbo jet, for example, now is costing a premium of about $25,000, he said.

Richard Livingston, a spokesman for the Airline Passengers Association consumer group, said carriers should raise fares rather than apply surcharges.

Surcharges are inequitable because they're frequently the same amount, no matter the price of the ticket, he said.

''My whole feeling about security measures is if anything needs to be done it should be done by the government and not be left to the consumer to pay for,'' he said.

Alitalia began adding its surcharge of $50 one-way and $100 roundtrip Aug. 22 on flights to the United Arab Emirates, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Egypt and Iran, a spokesman said.

British Airways has proposed its surcharge to government aviation

authorities and was awaiting their approval, said John Lempl, a spokesman for the carrier in New York.

The proposed surcharge is ''due to the increased fuel costs, increased insurance premiums we're being hit with,'' said Lempl, who would not elaborate on the cost of the carrier's insurance premiums.

The surcharge includes flights to Abu Dhabi, Bahrain, Cairo, Dubai, Doha, Jeddah, Muscat, Riyadh and Tel Aviv, he said.

Insurance rates for Turkish Airlines have risen 5 percent to 8 percent due to the Middle East crisis, a spokesman in New York said.

The Turkish carrier has not determined the exact amount of its surcharge on flights to the Gulf region, which is slated to take effect Sept. 12, but is hoping to keep it under 5 percent, a spokesman said.

Lufthansa's surcharge, which applied to flights from Germany to destinations including Cairo, Tel Aviv, Damascus, Abu Dhabi and Bahrain, began Aug. 23, a spokeswoman said in New York.

El Al, the Israeli carrier, has not increased its fares, a spokeswoman in New York said. The carrier proceeded with previously scheduled plans to lower fares Aug. 20, she said.

KLM launched its surcharges Sept. 3. The surcharges apply to the Dutch airline's flights to Cairo, Tel Aviv, Abu Dhabi, Bahrain, Damascus, Doha, Dubai, Muscat, Amman, Dharan and Jedda.

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#90248u1541 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, AK (SEPT. 5) UPI - A small plane missing for two days has been found smashed into a mountainside, killing all five aboard, state and federal officials said Wednesday.

Helicopters flew to the rugged site north of Anchorage to recover the bodies Wednesday, Alaska State Troopers said.

The Cessna 206, on a flight from the northwestern Alaska town of Kotzebue to Anchorage, disappeared Sunday right after a routine radio message from the pilot indicated no problems. The plane was found late Tuesday at the 4,000-foot level of a mountain near Talkeetna, said Federal Aviation Administration spokeswoman Mary Lou Wojtalik. No identities were released.

This brings to eight the number killed in two plane crashes Sunday and Monday.

In the other crash, a Frontier Flying Service plane carrying 10 people - seven of them from the same family, including two infants - crashed near Kaltag, killing school principal Kevin LeFevour, 32, and two young daughters; his wife and three other children were injured, said trooper spokeswoman Janelle Hout. Two teenage students and the pilot also were hurt.

The National Transportation Safety Board was investigating both accidents.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	177.93	up	0.80
ASE Market Value Index	325.41	up	2.67
Dow-Jones Industrial	2628.22	up	14.85

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#90248u1558 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks	-	120,610,000 shares
1990 to date	-	27,264,089,712
Warrants	-	792,700
1990 to date	-	172,887,000

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Wednesday	-	$40,320,000
1990 to date	-	$7,703,143,000

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#90248u1560 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 5) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Wednesday	-	6,681,000
1990 to date	-	1,741,813,000

The market closed higher.

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#90248u1565 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (SEPT. 5) UPI - The world oil market has sufficient supplies despite the Persian Gulf crisis, and the effect of the U.N. embargo of Kuwaiti and Iraqi crude oil may not be felt significantly until November, the

International Energy Agency said Wednesday.

''The oil market at present is generally well-supplied'' in spite of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the embargo of about 4.3 million barrels a day of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude ordered by the United Nations four days later, the IEA said in its monthly oil report for August.

The embargo's effect was not felt for much of August because of the arrival at markets of Iraqi and Kuwaiti cargoes loaded prior to the invasion, the Paris-based agency said.

''The small shortfall in late August arrivals has been made up by commercial stock draw,'' said the IEA, made up of the world's 21 largest industrialized, oil-consuming nations.

Moreover, sufficient stocks exist worldwide to compensate for much of the Iraqi and Kuwaiti shortfall in September, the agency said.

A continued drawdown of commercial stocks combined with anticipated lower demand and higher production from countries such as Saudi Arabia and Venezuela ''will also cover much of the shortfall in October,'' the IEA report sahd"

But the IEA acknowledged the situation could turn more difficult starting in November.

''Beginning in November,'' the IEA said, ''increased seasonal demand - particularly for light products and heating fuels - could complicate distribution of products in regional markets.''

If this shortfall persists, ''the market could become increasingly tighter during the winter months,'' the IEA added. ''This will come at a time when demand is seasonally highest and as the ability for significant commercial stockdraw gradually diminishes.''

In addition, the report said, ''Severe cold weather and extended refinery operations by industry at full capacity could also further increase market tightness.''

The IEA said the degree of refineries' flexibility to different types of crude oil would also affect supply of and demand for petroleum products in the coming months.

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#90248u1566 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value 325.41 up 2.67

High Technology	326.67	up 2.00
Capital Goods	351.47	up 1.37
Consumer Goods	390.48	up 0.16
Service	721.72	up 11.44
Retail	1055.27	up 8.55
Financial	375.91	up 2.13
Natural Resources	248.16	up 2.01
Housing-Const-Land	334.79	up 2.35

There was a gain of 9 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS		
New England	410.07	up 2.69
Mid Atlantic	415.09	up 4.96
No Central	450.43	up 6.80
So Atlantic	934.55	up 10.10
So Central	317.47	off 0.50
Mountain	114.19	up 0.21
Pacific	379.91	up 2.02
Foreign	245.41	up 1.49

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 325.42, low 322.70, close 325.41, up 2.67.

There was a gain of 9 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,590,000 shares, compared with 8,790,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	2
New Lows	34
Advances	304
Declines	189
Unchanged	246
Total Issues	739

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - The Navy lifted the suspension Wednesday on the firing of the 16-inch bombardment guns on the battleship USS Wisconsin, operating in the Persian Gulf as part of Operation Desert Shield.

The suspension on firing the guns on the nation's four battleships was imposed last May 24 when powder bags used in the 16-inch guns ignited

during testing at the Naval Weapons Station in Dahlgren, Va.

The tests were part of the Navy's reopened investigation into the April 1989 explosion in a 16-inch gun turret aboard the battleship USS Iowa that killed 47 sailors.

The Navy's original investigation concluded that the blast on the Iowa was deliberately set, most likely by gunner's mate Clayton Hartwig, who was killed in the explosion.

But the Navy was forced to reopen its investigation when Sandia National Laboratories, conducting an independent investigation for Congress, determined that the blast could have been accidental and could have occurred if the powder bags were rammed too far and too fast into the gun's breech.

The Navy then obtained an unexplained ignition of powder bags during its own, subsequent tests, and it ordered a suspension on firing of the battleship's guns.

Navy spokesman Lt. Mark Walker said Wednesday's lifting of the suspension on the firing of the Wisconsin's 16-inch guns did not mean the Navy had closed its investigation into the Iowa explosion.

''Naval Sea Systems Command continues testing of various theories into the explosion aboard the USS Iowa,'' he said.

Walker said the Navy authorized the Wisconsin to resume live firing of its 16-inch guns following completion of a testing period in which there were safety inspections, ordnance certification and on-board powder verification.

''The Naval Sea Systems Command has now determined that the guns may fire certain lots of propellant,'' he said, adding that powder bags not in these specific lots have been removed from service.

Walker also said the battleship USS Missouri, currently on operations off the coast of California, will be authorized to resume firing of its 16-inch guns upon completion of a period of training, inspection and on-board powder verification.

The Iowa and the fourth battleship, the USS New Jersey, are going to be mothballed next year under current Navy plans.

The nine 16-inch guns on battleships can fire 2,700-pound, armor- piercing shells up to 24 miles away. At 2,000 yards, the shells can perforate a concrete wall 36 feet thick, the Navy said.

The last time the deafening 16-inch guns were fired in anger was in 1983, when the USS New Jersey was deployed off the coast of Lebanon in support of U.S. Marines who were ashore near Beirut.

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#90248u1590 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 5) UPI - U-S Senator Robert Dole is with a delegation in Moscow, where Soviet President Gorbachev met with Iraq's foreign minister today. Dole came out of talks with Gorbachev saying he's optimistic about Iraq-Soviet contacts in light of the upcoming Bush- Gorbachev summit. Dole says it's possible the Iraqi envoy has a message for Gorbachev to pass on to President Bush. .

Thousands of refugees are stranded in a 30-mile frontier strip of fiery desert between Iraq and Jordan- and it's the wait that's the worst. Refugees wait for hours to get food and water, in addition to the wait to go home. There are about 60-thousand refugees from Iraq and Kuwait in the city of tents and makeshift shelters made of towels and sheets. .

The travel of U-S military and government personnel in the Philippines is being restricted today following reports of increased threats against Americans. Off-post leave and non-essential travel was canceled until further notice. Officials say the action was just a precaution, but they would NOT specify the threats.

Eight young men charged in the weekend stabbing death of a Utah tourist on a New York subway platform are being held without bail today following their arraignment on murder charges. A New York newspaper report says the men are part of a gang that requires members to mug someone before they are admitted.

Pope John Paul continued his 11-day tour of Africa with a stop in the tiny nation of Burundi. The pontiff received a big welcome as he called for an end to the tribal violence that has long-plagued the former Belgian colony. The elitist Tutsi tribe has often massacred members of the majority Hutu tribe.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	247.80	248.80	246.00	248.10	248.20
Dec	250.10	251.00	248.60	250.35	250.50
Mar	....	....	....	253.50	253.75

Previous day volume: 145 contracts.
Open interest: 1,317 up 5

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	323.90	325.50	321.40	324.85	324.25
Dec	327.25	329.25	324.80	328.55	327.95
Mar	330.10	331.80	328.50	331.50	331.15
Jun	334.00	336.00	332.60	335.60	335.25

Today's estimated volume: 53,921 contracts.
Open interest: 148,212 up 336

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	177.50	178.60	176.20	178.15	177.90
Dec	179.55	180.45	178.50	180.05	179.80
Mar	181.50	181.50	180.75	181.90	181.65

Open interest: 6,396 up 63

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	536.00	537.80	530.50	536.25	535.35
Oct	536.70	540.00	533.50	538.50	537.50

Estimated volume 2,374 contracts.
Open interest: 7,280 up 66

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - A teenage boy testified Wednesday how torching victim David Opont was taken away by another youth shortly before he was set afire and left to die for apparently refusing drugs.

The unidentified 14-year-old suspect, known only by the initials ''G.S.,'' went on trial before Brooklyn Family Court Judge Joseph Esquirol, who banned the public from the courtroom and limited media coverage to six reporters.

Opont's ordeal drew nationwide attention, as former President Reagan and a number of other celebrities came to visit the frail boy at his hospital bed during his recovery from severe burns.

The witness, who also was not identified, said he was walking to school with Opont when the defendant rode up on a bicycle, stopped them, and asked them if they had any money.

The youth searched the boys' pockets and schoolbags, then opened his

jacket to show the handle of a knife, the witness testified. Then he let the witness go and took Opont away, he said.

The witness said he went on to school, reported the incident to a teacher who reported it to police.

In opening the trial, Esquirol called it a ''fact finding procedure'' in that the defendant will not face punitive imprisonment if found guilty but will be given time in a youth facility because of his age. It is a non-jury trial and Esquirol will decide the youth's fate.

''G.S.'' is being tried on 12 counts including attempted murder, kidnapping, robbery and assault with a deadly weapon. He faces up to three years in a reform facility if he is convicted on the most serious charges.

Opont, a frail, soft-spoken recent immigrant from Haiti, was dragged into a Flatbush basement as he headed to school March 7.

Opont told authorities a bigger child, described by police as a foster child and a neighborhood bully, tried to force him to smoke something he thought was drugs.

The attacker set fire to Opont's clothing, burning him over 55 percent of his body. Doctors at first gave him only a 50 percent chance of survival.

The story of the attack and Opont's refusal to take drugs swiftly gained national attention. Cards and gifts poured into New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center's burn unit and luminaries, including Ronald Reagan, Bill Cosby and the Rev. Jesse Jackson came to the boy's bedside.

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#90248u1598 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	382.85	230.60	128.52	23.98	323.09
Opening	383.35	230.12	128.90	23.97	323.51
11 a.m.	383.82	230.64	129.24	24.01	323.99
Noon	382.03	229.80	128.65	23.86	322.45
1 p.m.	383.59	230.33	129.20	23.95	323.75
2 p.m.	383.70	230.48	129.23	23.99	323.87
3 p.m.	384.28	230.60	129.38	24.01	324.33
Close	384.35	231.27	129.20	24.05	324.39
Change	up 1.50	up 0.67	up 0.68	up 0.07	up 1.30

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#90248u1604 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Wednesday	384.35	231.27	129.20	24.05	324.39
Tuesday	382.85	230.60	128.52	23.98	323.09
Week ago	384.45	232.47	128.39	24.01	324.19
Month ago	398.96	247.57	136.38	25.76	338.35
Year ago	400.16	325.18	139.90	33.14	349.24
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	362.23	220.36	124.60	22.87	307.06

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#90248u1606 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 5) UPI - Secretary of State Baker says the Bush administration has opened talks with the Vietnamese-backed head of Cambodia's government. Baker- in an appearance before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today- revealed the new departure from the U-S policy of isolating Cambodia's Communist regime.

The International Trade Commission rendered a decision that should get a warm reception from the beleaguered domestic sweater industry. The I-T-C ruled that sweaters from the Far East were being dumped on the U-S market at an unfair low price. The sweaters now will be hit with a duty that increases their price.

Health officials have met about half of 226 goals they were to have completed by 1990. And one health department official says judging by the impact on mortality and improved quality of life he believes they've done ''quite well.'' 26 percent of the goals were NOT met and there was NOT enough data to assess the others.

The Mayflower-Two left its dock for the first time in 30 years today, sailing with a crew dressed as Pilgrims in open waters off Plymouth, Massachusetts. The replica of the ship that carried Pilgrims to Plymouth Rock showed that it is still in fine sailing condition after crossing the Atlantic in 1957.

Poland's official news agency says Soviet authorities stopped three American Indians from entering the Soviet Union because their passports were the wrong color. The three are part of a group of about 50 Iroquois taking part in a- quoting here- ''sacred run for peace'' across Europe.

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#90248u1609 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	384.61	380.15	384.35	up 1.50
20 Trans	231.31	228.56	231.27	up 0.67
40 Utils	129.43	128.27	129.20	up 0.68
40 Fncl	24.05	23.80	24.05	up 0.07
500 Stocks	324.52	320.99	324.39	up 1.30

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#90248u1617 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	382.44	up	0.77	381.78	469.25
Industrial	409.26	up	1.13	409.26	454.64
Finance	383.40	up	0.66	383.58	558.42
Insurance	447.56	up	1.88	446.34	538.37
Utility	511.00	off	0.04	497.81	739.05
Bank	284.82	up	1.95	286.67	488.61
Transport	408.84	off	0.67	419.20	468.53

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 393.49

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 167.60 up 0.33

Industrial Index 161.81 up 0.45

NASDAQ-100 Index 387.63 off 1.86

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#90248u1638 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
AT&T Company	1,845,200	32 1/8	up 1/8
Gen Electric	1,742,700	60 1/4	off 1
Pinnacle West	1,714,300	12 7/8	up 1/2
IBM Corp	1,453,100	102 1/2	unch
Exxon Corp	1,328,400	50 7/8	up 3/4
Philip Morris	1,293,400	45 1/4	up 1/8
PepsiCo	1,234,600	25 1/4	up 1/2
KLM Royal Dutch	1,083,900	13 1/4	up 1/8

Toys R Us	1,077,600	24 1/2	off 1
Wal-Mart Stores	1,013,400	28 3/8	off 3/8
Eastman Kodak	1,009,800	41 1/2	up 3/4
Boeing Co	1,001,600	48 3/4	up 1/8
Compaq Computer	978,800	45 3/8	off 2 1/2
Valero Energy	966,700	17 7/8	up 3/8
Ford Motor	950,600	34 5/8	off 1/8

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Salomon wt Jan	661,200	17	up 3/4
PW Group wt B	586,500	7 7/8	up 1/8
Americus T2 ut	569,700	32 7/8	up 1/4
Denmark K wt	403,400	17 7/8	up 5/8
Corona Corp A	292,500	5 1/2	unch
Salomon wt Feb	278,000	18 1/8	up 3/4
Eksportfinans wt	276,900	8 1/8	up 1/4
Imperial Oil A	242,600	55 7/8	up 3/4
ENSCO	224,600	3 7/8	unch
Salomon Phibro	221,100	4	unch

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
IntelCp	(INTC)	$45,947,900	32 1/2	off 1
Micrsoft	(MSFT)	43,017,568	59	off 3 1/4
MCI Com	(MCIC)	35,882,848	33 5/8	off 3/8
NikeIncB	(NIKE)	33,094,008	70 3/4	up 2 1/8
SunMicro	(SUNW)	31,005,710	29 1/8	up 1/8
ReuterH	(RTRS)	26,611,784	49 3/8	unch
AdobeS	(ADBE)	26,171,260	28 1/2	up 3/8
ConnerP	(CNNR)	25,794,642	22 1/4	up 5/8
Oracle	(ORCL)	23,036,538	10 5/8	off 1/2
AppleC	(AAPL)	19,086,382	36	off 1

Composite Index 167.60 up 0.33

NMS volume 68,487,904 shares.

Advances 851

Declines	623
Unchanged	1,346
Total	2,820

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Cap Cities ABC	488 5/8	up 10 1/8
Atl Rich pf C	334	up 9 1/4
Enron Corp pf	185	up 7 3/4
Household pf	80	off 5 3/4
Coastal pf B	130	up 4 1/2
US Surgical	51 3/4	up 3 7/8
Atl Richfield	138 3/4	up 3 1/8
Textron pf	36	off 3
Castle & Cooke	35 5/8	up 2 7/8
Dillard Dept Str	82 7/8	up 2 5/8

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.47	up 0.14
10 Public Utils	90.26	up 0.23
10 Industrials	88.69	up 0.05

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2611.14	2643.07	2588.61	2628.22	up 14.85
20 Trans	895.16	902.92	886.65	897.74	up 1.66
15 Utils	196.24	199.20	195.42	198.44	up 2.39
65 Stock	901.74	912.36	894.44	907.49	up 5.21

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	16,676,400	14,626,800
Trans	2,127,400	2,432,200

Utils	2,712,400	1,750,200
65 Stock	21,516,200	18,809,200

Bonds	Close	Net	Chg.
20 Bonds	89.47	up	0.14
10 Public Utils	90.26	up	0.23
10 Industrials	88.69	up	0.05

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 133.18 up 0.66.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.07	8.17	9.14
91-day Treasury bills	7.62	7.66	7.82
182-day Treasury bills	7.70	7.80	7.81
1-year Treasury bills	7.73	7.80	7.70
3-year Treasury notes	8.20	8.27	8.30
7-year Treasury notes	8.72	8.78	8.20
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.97	9.02	8.10
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.45	9.45	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.00	10.00	9.17
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.18	9.22	9.22
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.48	9.53	9.19
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.50	9.55	9.37
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.48	9.53	9.36

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	383.21	381.15	382.44	up	0.77
Industrial	410.64	407.86	409.26	up	1.13

Finance	383.64	382.02	383.40	up	0.66
Insurance	449.37	445.73	447.56	up	1.88
Utility	511.97	507.64	511.00	off	0.04
Bank	287.21	284.47	284.82	off	1.95
Transport	410.65	406.68	408.84	off	0.67

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60
1990 Low (8-23) 360.22
NASDAQ National Market System indexes
(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	167.60	up	0.33
Industrial Index	161.81	up	0.45
NASDAQ-100 Index	387.63	off	1.86

(largest non-fin'cl)
Average price per share 8.72 unchanged
Volume 68,487,904 shares

Advances	851
Declines	623
Unchanged	1,346
Total	2,820

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - The government, attempting to determine the level of drug abuse by truckers, will conduct voluntary tests on commercial drivers at roadside scales from coast to coast, officials said Wednesday.

Starting in October, the Federal Highway Administration intends to randomly check 400 drivers at selected sites in Maryland, Missouri, Arizona, Washington and Virginia for nine types of drugs as well as alcohol.

The identity of the drivers participating in the testing will be kept confidential, the agency said.

FHWA Administrator Thomas Larson said: ''The sites will serve as laboratories to evaluate procedures for the collection of urine and breath samples and to administer a questionnaire about drug use in the preceding month.''

''If the pilot study demonstrates the feasibility of gathering the desired information, more data will then be collected in a national study, at nine randomly selected, geographically diverse sites,'' Larson said.

The agency said the data will help determine whether it should ''refine'' drug regulations that took effect in December and require interstate

carriers with 50 or more drivers of large trucks to test regularly for drugs.

''The inclusion of alcohol in these tests will give the department valuable additional data about the extent of alcohol abuse among truck drivers,'' Larson said.

In a related development, Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner announced the government levied a $15,000 fine against Action Express, Inc., of Boise, Idaho, the first such civil penalty against an interstate trucking company under the new drug rules.

The department said that the penalty was imposed ''because the carrier knowingly permitted a driver to operate a truck after he tested positive for use of a controlled substance in a pre-employment drug test.''

Said Skinner: ''This just simply cannot be allowed.''

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#90248u1681 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Stocks closed higher Wednesday in yet another day of light trading after fighting off some midday weakness sparked by a belligerent speech made by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which lost 0.99 Tuesday, gained 14.85 to 2628.22.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.80 to 177.93 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index added 1.30 to 324.39. The price of an average share rose 14 cents.

Advances outpaced declines, 948-567, among the 1,970 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 120,610,000 shares, up from 92,940,000 traded Tuesday, the lowest volume of the year and the lowest since last Dec. 26.

Wednesday was the first day since Aug. 30 that volume has topped 100 million shares.

The market spent the early part of the session drifting near Tuesday's closing levels. But the Dow industrials lost about 15 points after a midday speech by Saddam Hussein, who called the Persian Gulf crisis a battle between Islam and ''unjust rulers'' and said Iraq would not give in to the worldwide trade embargo ordered by the United Nations against his country.

Traders said the statement sparked some program selling, used to profit on

the price difference between stocks and stock-index futures.

But the Dow quickly bounced back. This, said Don Hays, director of investment strategy at Wheat, First Securities Inc. in Richmond, Va., ''shows Saddam Hussein has lost his stinger. Today we went down for an hour on what he said but came right back.

''I think people have a strong feeling he's a temporary problem,'' Hays continued. ''There may be some bad consequences associated with him, but people seem to think they'll be temporary.''

The oil market did not shrug off his comments so easily. October crude-oil futures were up 77 cents to $29.89 a barrel in late trading.

But higher oil prices did not seem to concern stock traders too much Wednesday, since interest rates fell in the bond market. One of the fears of higher oil prices is that they will fuel inflation and force interest rates to remain high to keep spiraling consumer prices in check.

Treasury bonds were up 14/32 in late trading, with their yield down to 8.97 percent.

''Lower rates are going to be the carrot that'll get this market going back up, get people coming to the party,'' said Hays.

On the trading floor, AT&T was the most active issue, up 1/8 to 32 1/8.

General Electric followed, down 1 to 60 1/4. Pinnacle West Capital was third, up 1/2 to 12 7/8 after sinking Tuesday on news PacifiCorp agreed to drop its efforts to acquire the company. Pinnacle West reportedly projected Wednesday it would raise its book value to the $20-a-share range by 1993.

IBM was next, unchanged at 102 1/2 after introducing its first new line of mainframes in 5 years.

Among other blue chips, Exxon rose 3/4 to 50 7/8 in active trading as oil issues were strong thanks to higher oil prices. Texaco jumped 1 3/4 to 63 3/4, Chevron rose 1 3/4 to 77 5/8 and USX, which owns Marathon Oil, added 1/2 to 33 3/8.

Elsewhere among the Dow stocks, General Motors lost 3/4 to 38 1/4, but Eastman Kodak rose 3/4 to 41 1/2 and Alcoa jumped 1 1/2 to 66 3/4.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 144,643,050 shares, compared with 114,440,910 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices closed sharply higher in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index, heavily weighted with energy issues, rose 2.67 to close at 325.41. Advances led declines 305-198 among the 758 issues traded. The price of an average share rose 9 cents. Composite volume totaled 12,050,200 shares, compared with 10,058,900 shares traded Tuesday.

Salomon's put warrants on the Tokyo stock market's Nikkei index led the Amex issues, up 3/4 to 17.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 0.77 to 382.44.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	89,049,200
Advances	1,019
Declines	784
Unchanged	2,460
Total	4,263

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - The dollar closed lower against major world currencies in light trading Wednesday as market participants remained sidelined in anticipation of U.S. employment data due at the end of the week.

Late in the New York trading session, the dollar was quoted at 1.5585 German marks, off from 1.58 Tuesday, and at 141.65 Japanese yen, off from 143.35 Tuesday.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2955 Swiss francs, down from 1.3130; 5.2205 French francs, off from 5.2950; and 1,162.50 Italian lire, down from 1,178.75.

The British pound rose to $1.9040 from $1.88 Tuesday.

After a bout of buying early in the day, the dollar closed near its lows for the day, analysts said.

''The dollar did not have a good day,'' said Bob Hatcher of Barclays Bank

PLC. ''We basically sagged here in New York.''

Market participants remained on the sidelines, awaiting the government's employment report due Friday, he said.

Analysts expect a weak employment report could prompt the Federal Reserve to ease monetary policy.

''Obviously the market is still of the opinion that an interest rate cut by the Fed is imminent, possibly as early as Friday if the employment data dictates,'' Hatcher said.

''Clearly the market is testing the down side for the dollar,'' he said. ''I get the feeling the dollar will continue to drift lower as people position themselves for what they feel will be numbers to justify Fed easing.

''Right now the market consensus seems to be to approach that slightly short on dollars,'' he said.

In European trading the U.S. dollar fell against the major currencies Wednesday amid mounting speculation the Fed will cut interest rates to stimulate the economy. Gold was up.

Other analysts said concern over the cost of the U.S. deployment in the Gulf was beginning to hurt the dollar.

The dollar dropped in Frankfurt at 1.5625 German marks against Tuesday's close of 1.5825, and also was down in Zurich at 1.3035 Swiss francs from 1.3130.

In London, the pound jumped more than two cents against the U.S. unit to $1.8975 from $1.8750.

The dollar slipped in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at 5.2420 French francs vs. 5.2820, 32.1850 Belgian francs vs. 32.52, and 1,168 Italian lire vs. 1,172.90.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar plunged to an eight-month low against the Japanese yen on expectations that U.S. interest rates will be lowered.

The dollar closed at 142.30 yen, down 1.75 yen from Tuesday's close of 144.05 yen, the Bank of Japan said. It was the dollar's lowest closing rate since Dec. 28, when it finished at 142.20 yen.

Growing anticipation of lower interest rates prompted life insurance firms and other institutional investors to actively sell dollars against the yen and other major currencies, dealers said.

Gold closed higher in Zurich at $386.50 an ounce against $383.50, and also was up in London at $387 an ounce against $382.25.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $387.25 an ounce, up from $384.75 Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $386.10 an ounce, up from $383.70.

Silver was unchanged in Zurich at $4.75 an ounce, but closed higher in London at $4.79 an ounce from $4.75.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.77 an ounce, up slightly from $4.76. Comex silver finished at $4.735 an ounce, up from $4.719.

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#90248u1686 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	177.93	176.29	177.93	up 0.80
Industrial	223.18	221.89	223.18	up 1.03
Transport	140.83	140.19	140.69	off 0.08
Utility	83.38	82.98	83.34	up 0.45
Finance	124.70	123.97	124.70	up 0.38

Equivalent to a gain of 14 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 120,610,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	12	11	6
New lows	64	94	57

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	938	68,477,000
Declines	566	34,990,000
Unchanged	450	17,143,000
Total	1,954	120,610,000

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CALGARY (SEPT. 5) UPI - Alberta gas producers have tentatively agreed to a 15-year deal to supply Southern California Edison with natural gas beginning in 1993, the producers' marketing company announced Wednesday.

The value of the deal was not immediately known.

Craig Frew, president of Western Gas Marketing Ltd., said that an agreement outlining general terms for supplying gas to the California utility owned by SCECorp was signed and that formal contracts will be completed before the end of the year.

Some 750 Alberta natural gas producers represented by Western Gas will ship a minimum of 50 million cubic feet of gas a day to Southern California Edison beginning in 1993, the marketing company said.

Frew said the ''sale represents a major initiative in securing a new market opportunity.''

''Terms assure producers that they will receive prices that are competitive with other sources of natural gas into California over the life of the contract,'' Frew added.

Western Gas traditionally has focused on sales to distributors feeding off a pipeline that runs from Alberta to Quebec with connections to pipelines in midwestern and northeastern United States.

Western Gas is a subsidiary of TransCanada Pipelines Ltd.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1101.6
Tuesday	1098.9
Week ago	1125.4
Month ago	1126.9
Year ago	1092.7
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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DETROIT (SEPT. 5) UPI - United Auto Workers union officials said Wednesday that General Motors Corp. intends to begin phasing out production at its Pontiac Engine plant in May 1991, ultimately affecting about 2,200 hourly

workers.

The giant automaker refused to either confirm or deny the suspected closing, saying it does not publicly disclose its future product plans. But GM spokeswoman Kathy Tanner said ''the workforce and union know what our product plans are.''

''There is no product after 1992,'' said Dick Long, president of UAW Local 653, which represents workers at the Pontiac complex. ''The corporation told us back in 1987 that they did a five-year business plan, and they seem to be sticking to it.''

Long said about 700 workers will be let go in May 1991, as GM ends production of the 2.5-liter four-cylinder engine for use in cars like the Pontiac Grand Am. The remainder will lose their jobs by March or April of 1992, as other versions of that ''Iron Duke'' motor, made there since 1977 are ended.

The announcement comes as the UAW is seeking better job security assurances from GM in negotiations for a new national labor contract to replace the current three-year pact that expires Sept. 14.

Enhanced job security is among the union's top priorities, and this latest announcement could upset what were considered to be smoothly running talks between the union and carmaker.

Long said a strike authorization vote taken last week received a 97-percent approval from Local 653 members during a record turnout, and that the local may protest the phaseout.

''I think our people see that they may be without a job very soon,'' he said, noting that the Pontiac complex has lost over 6,000 jobs in recent years.

''Here we have workers giving it their all in high quality and low absenteeism,'' Long said. ''We have been doing all the things we need to do. Now its time for General Motors to do something.''

The complex's foundry was closed in September 1987, and its mid- sized Pontiac and Buick car plant closed in late 1988. Pontiac's Fiero car plant part of the complex but not part of the same bargaining unit, was also ''indefinitely idled'' in 1988.

Several hundred workers were also phased out of the Pontiac engine plant, with production slipping from 6,000 to 2,000 engines a day as GM began building more of its small engines overseas, Long said.

The Pontiac complex also has a pressed-metal facility that employs about

2,800 workers, Long said.

GM was hit with a week-long walkout last month at a Flint parts plant to protest jobs losses before agreeing to guaranteed employment levels at that facility.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz made a surprise visit to Moscow Wednesday where he met with President Mikhail Gorbachev in an apparent bid to strengthen ties with Iraq's former ally prior to a scheduled superpower summit.

Details of the talks were not disclosed, but Sen. Robert Dole, who was also in Moscow to see Gorbachev, speculated the Iraqi minister wanted Gorbachev to pass a message to President Bush at the summit in Helsinki, Finland, Sunday.

''It's possible he has a message to give to Gorbachev to pass on to President Bush,'' Dole said of Aziz's visit, which Moscow said was requested by Iraq.

Britain, meanwhile, dismissed a Soviet proposal for an international peace conference on the Middle East, which would include discussion of the Arab-Israeli conflict, as having ''no chance of success.''

The rejection was made public by British Foreign Minister Douglas Hurd, who arrived in Jordan from Saudi Arabia to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis and the refugee buildup from Iraq and occupied Kuwait in what some observers said was one of the worst refugee crises in modern world history.

Hurd said there was no link between the gulf crisis and the Palestinian question for self-determination ''because the two are completely different and only the aggressor made the link.''

A defiant Saddam, in an address broadcast by Iraqi television and radio, said the ''children of Iraq are dying because food is insufficient'' as a result of the U.N. trade embargo, but renewed his call for all Moslems to rise up against their ''corrupt'' pro-Western rulers in a holy war.

Declaring ''victory is near,'' in the address read by his spokesman, Saddam specifically urged citizens of the U.S. allies Egypt and Saudi Arabia ''to revolt against their traitors, rulers and fight foreign presence in the holy land.''

Likening Operation Desert Shield to the U.S. deployment in Vietnam, he compared the will of the Iraqi fighters to that of the Vietnamese people

during the war in Indochina.

''Never imagine the will of Iraqi people for it is not convenient for believers to be frightened of such numbers or such troops,'' Saddam said in reference to the U.S.-led military buildup in Saudi Arabia, site of Islam's holiest places of worship.

''We will never let you down,'' Saddam said in his appeal to Moslems around the world.

In Washington, press secretary Marlin Fitzwater accused the Iraqi leader of making ''so many outrageous statements.''

''We see it as another sign of desperation that Iraq is lashing out with hypocricy and irrelevant statements. For Saddam to claim moral rectitude is beyond belief,'' Fitzwater said.

Fitzwater said Bush will address Congress at 9 p.m. Tuesday, after his summit with Gorbachev, on developments in the Persian Gulf and the goals of the military buildup to thwart Iraqi aggression.

While diplomats continued maneuvering to find a settlement to the standoff in the Persian Gulf, governments and international agencies focused their attention on thousands of foreigners caught trying to flee Iraq and Kuwait.

A plane carrying 92 Western women and children, 57 of them British, 29 American, four Australian and two Canadian, arrived in London from Amman, a stopping-off point in their flight from Iraq.

A Virgin Atlantic flight carrying 28 hostages - 24 Americans, three Canadians and one Jordanian resident if the United States - freed from Iraq was expected to land at Newark International Airport.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency said another plane of 150 British, Italian and Spanish women and children left Baghdad for Amman Wednesday. Another 300 British women and children who travelled to Baghdad in a grueling convoy from Kuwait were given visas for home, it said.

Saddam has said women and children hostages, kept in Iraq and Kuwait to guard against attack from Western forces in the Gulf, would be allowed to leave the two countries while the men remained. But the evacuation has been stymied by red tape and Iraq's insistence that no foreign planes land in Baghdad until Iraqi planes are allowed into Western countries - a violation of the U.N. embargo imposed against Iraq after its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

International relief agencies also stepped up efforts to care for an estimated 60,000 destitute foreign workers from Iraq and Kuwait who are

living a life of thirst, despair and hunger in a no-man's land on the Iraqi-Jordanian border. Water at the makeshift camps is so scarce that fights have erupted between ethnic groups when tankers deliver meager supplies.

U.S. warships, which diverted an Iraqi cargo ship filled with tea Tuesday, reportedly were monitoring two Iraqi oil tankers in the gulf region. Western diplomats said it appeared some food and supplies were being airlifted into Iraq despite the embargo.

The U.S. Central Command in Saudi Arabia refused to confirm or deny any warship activity.

In other developments:

- Arab newspapers reported the gulf state of Qatar expelled Palestine Liberation Organization diplomats, further isolating the organization. PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat has backed Saddam, alienating the gulf states that have funded him for years.

- The U.S. Joint Command in Saudi Arabia denied a report that the U.S. commander, Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, had objected to a Saudi minister's contention that King Fahd would have to be consulted before the United States launched any military action from Saudi bases. A spokesman at the command said there was no dispute between U.S. and Saudi officials.

- The Navy released the Iraqi cargo ship it had seized to prevent the vessel from delivering a load of tea from Sri Lanka to Iraq, Pentagon officials said. Sri Lanka denied it violated a U.N. trade embargo by shipping some 3,000 tons of tea to Iraq, saying the intercepted vessel had sailed from Colombo before details of the embargo had been clarified.

- Japan announced its first shipment of equipment to the international force in the gulf would be a vessel loaded with 800 four- wheel drive vehicles.

- The Navy's Military Sealift Command is considering chartering a large Soviet cargo ship to help haul U.S. military equipment to Saudi Arabia for Operation Desert Shield, an official said.

- The U.S. Navy lifted the suspension Wednesday on the firing of the 16-inch bombardment guns on the battleship USS Wisconsin, operating in the Persian Gulf as part of Operation Desert Shield. The suspension on firing the guns had been imposed after an April 1989 explosion in a 16-inch gun turret aboard the battleship USS Iowa that killed 47 sailors.

Western diplomats said the Iraqi foreign minister's visit to Moscow was an attempt by Iraq to strengthen ties with its former ally, which has sided

with the United States in the dispute over Kuwait.

''The Iraqis are surprised that the Soviets have not sided with them but with the U.S.,'' said a Western diplomat in Cairo who did not want to be identified. ''I imagine (Aziz's) trip is Iraq trying to improve relations.''

The Soviet Union was a staunch ally if Iraq during the Iran-Iraq war, which ended in 1988, and has sold Iraq much of its arsenal of weapons. Sovier officials have maintained contact with Iraq throughout the crisis, saying their special relationship with Baghdad may help in the diplomatic efforts.

''Until now, however, no political or diplomatic contacts between Moscow and Baghdad have produced the desired result - the immediate withdrawal of all Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the restoration of that country's independence and sovereignty,'' the official Soviet Tass news agency said in reporting on Aziz's visit.

There was no comment from Aziz on his Moscow visit.

British hostages returning to London said they were relieved to be out, but were worried about those left behind.

''I am very pleased but my husband is still in there,'' said Diane Cooper of Britain at Gatwick Airport outside of London.

The Iraqi News Agency quoted the men who remained in Iraq as praising Saddam for letting the women and children go.

''Mr. Richard Wimtley, also a British, wondered why were the American boys or Yankees protecting emirs and oil sheiks, whose funds were accumulated in European, Japanese and U.S. banks and chased girls in nightclubs, while millions of people in Arabia, Africa, Europe, Asia, America and Britain starved,'' the agency said in a report in English that could not be verified.

International relief agencies, including the International Red Cross, continued efforts to help the thousands of evacuees caught in Jordan.

Jordan has alternately begged for and demanded aid from developed countries for the thousands of displaced persons, who are living under cardboard shelters in makeshift camps.

U.N. agencies have raised $20 million to help the displaced workers, a spokesman said in Geneva. The Austrian Red Cross sent baby food, powdered milk, blankets and tents to the border.

Most of those stranded were menial workers in Kuwait and Iraq who sent home paychecks to countries that are too poor to evacuate them from Jordan.

''We were money-making machines for our governments yesterday,'' said Reza Hussein, 32, of Pakistan. ''We are garbage today.''

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MIAMI (SEPT. 5) UPI - Tropical Storm Isidore formed in the mid-Atlantic with 40 mph winds Wednesday and forecasters said it was likely to strengthen into a hurricane.

At noon EDT, Isidore was centered near latitude 9.9 north, longitude 34.8 west. That was about 750 miles southwest of the Cape Verde Islands, or about 1,700 miles east of Trinidad.

It was moving due west at near 18 mph and was expected to continue that motion for at least the next day or two.

Isidore was a minimal storm with 40 mph winds, just 1 mph above the tropical storm threshold. It was also a relatively small storm, with tropical storm force winds extending about 35 miles from the center.

But forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami said it was likely to grow stronger over the next several days, probably reaching hurricane strength in about 72 hours.

''It's still five days away from the eastern Caribbean. It has a lot of warm water to go over for the next four or five days. It has time to grow '' said Ray Fagen, a meteorologist at the National Hurricane Center. ''It is growing more organized and our feeling is that it will continue to intensify.''

Isidore is the ninth named storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30. Three storms - Bertha, Diana and Gustav - have grown to hurricane strength of 74 mph or more.

Forecasters said the nine-storm total was was two or three more storms than average for this time of year, but their effect on land has been minimal.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Average yields for money market mutual funds were lower in the latest reporting week, while rates at competing savings and loan institutions also were lower, financial information services that

track these yields and rates said Wednesday.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.47 percent, down from 7.48, and 30-day simple yields eased to 7.49 percent from 7.50 the previous week.

The average maturity of fund portfolios was 46 days, up from 45.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money market deposit accounts, 5.89 unchanged; Super- Now accounts, 4.97 percent, down from 4.98; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.51 percent, down from 7.53 percent; 1-year CDs, 7.61 percent, down from 7.62; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.67 percent, down from 7.69; and five- year CDs, 7.79 percent, down from 8.80.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.28 percent down from 8.30 percent.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.77 percent from 9.81 and the average rate for a 30- year, fixed-rate mortgage fell to 10.08 percent from 10.12.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was 12.26 percent, down from 12.27 percent.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 454.55, up 0.47 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - In two days of congressional hearings, Secretary of State James Baker responded to questions about the Bush administration's long-term strategy in the Persian Gulf with a call for a new regional security system.

But members of Congress said they have doubts about who would belong to such a system and whether it would work, and Baker acknowledged Wednesday that key details of his proposal still had to be refined.

The problem posed to Baker during hearings before House Foreign Affairs and Senate Foreign Relations committees was what the United States

intended to do once it achieved its immediate goal of forcing Iraq out of Kuwait.

Should America go home? Or should it move against Saddam Hussein and destroy his chemical and nuclear weapons capabilities? Or try something else?

While ruling nothing in or out, Baker said it was not a U.S. goal to oust Saddam, but the administration was discussing ''regional security structures and arrangements that will guarantee an equilibrium in this region.''

''We would expect to work with friends and allies to create a more durable order, not in any sense, necessarily, to impose ourselves, but to find mutually acceptable arrangements,'' he told the Senate panel Wednesday.

Baker did not specify who would belong to the system and what the U.S. role ''might or might not'' be, other than saying it would ''not be unreasonable to think that perhaps we might have a continued naval presence in the gulf.''

''We have no particular model,'' he said. ''(The proposal) should not be equated with the idea that somehow we are calling for a NATO of the Middle East.''

Members of the committees speculated that pressure from Congress and administration critics had something to do with Baker's proposal.

''I think Secretary Baker would say thay he has been forced perhaps by these insistent questions about how to maintain the peace,'' said Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., former chairman of the Senate committee.

''I see it not as a clearly thought-out proposal, but a response to a question from a member of Congress,'' added Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., chairman of the House subcommittee on the Middle East.

Lugar, possibly the most influential congressional Republican on foreign affairs, said he believes a regional security system would only represent a partial solution to the Iraqi military threat.

''Prior to this regional security situation trying to maintain control ... Iraq's leadership must change,'' he said. ''Otherwise, I believe that the job of this regional security operation is going to be a very, very difficult one.''

Lugar added that ''how Iran fits into this is not really clear.'' Asked about Israel's involvement, he said that ''is a really interesting seminar question.''

Hamilton said he doubts whether Arab countries would join such a security system without any progress being made on the Arab-Israeli conflict.

''If Israel has military superiority and posses weapons of mass destruction, I don't think an Arab state will join a security system that is designed to deny such weapons to Iraq,'' he said.

Rep. Mel Levine, D-Calif., a strong supporter of Israel, said despite the current crisis, the ''relatively stable autocracies'' of the Persian Gulf often have different interests than the United States.

''This administration too often has wished that particular Arab governments, including Saddam Hussein's, were more moderate than they really are,'' he said. ''There's been a great deal of wishful thinking in this administration.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - Test-tube studies show a drug made from pokeweed, a common, poisonous plant, may provide a powerful new strategy for tackling the deadly AIDS virus, researchers said Wednesday.

The novel compound, which teams an anti-viral protein derived from pokeweed leaves with laboratory-made antibodies, appears highly effective at seeking out cells infected with the AIDS virus and keeping the virus from multiplying in the test tube, researchers said. Healthy cells appear unharmed by the drug, they added.

Despite the drug's early promise, researchers cautioned people infected with the AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, against taking pokeweed on their own.

''We are warning everyone not to eat the plant because it is toxic. We used a highly purified protein out of the plant and conjugated it to an antibody,'' said Joyce Zarling, a researcher at Oncogen, a Seattle subsidary of Brisol-Myers Squibb.

Pokeweed, properly called Phytolacca americana, is a poisonous North American plant with clusters of purplish-white flowers, reddish- purple berries and smooth leaves and stems. The Indians used the berries for staining, and some rural people cook the plant in its very young stage as ''poke salad,'' but there have been reports of people getting ill from that dish.

A National Institutes of Health researcher, who asked not to be named, Wednesday said the new compound was particuarily interesting because it

was specifically targeted at the cells most often infected with HIV.

However, the scientist cautioned against drawing any conclusions from cell studies about possible human applications, observing that many promising compounds fall by the wayside during the testing process. Potential problems with the new compound include immune reactions and its ability to reachinfected cells in the body.

In a study published in the British journal Nature, Zarling and researchers from the University of Minnesota and University of California-San Diego presented results to back up their compound's anti-HIV potential.

By itself, pokeweed antiviral protein, or PAP, can thwart the replication of HIV and other viruses. However, it would have to be given to patients at levels that could cause serious side effects, such as kidney damage, Zarling said.

To boost PAP's power, the researchers hooked the plant protein up with laboratory-grown antibodies, called monoclonal antibodies, designed to seek out and enter the immune cells most likely to be infected with HIV. Those cell bear a protein, called CD-4, that the HIV attaches to and uses to invade cells.

Studies of HIV-infected cells, including some fresh ones taken from AIDS patients, showed the new compound was longer lasting and was 1,000 times more potent than PAP alone, researchers said. They noted it could prevent HIV multiplication at doses one-10,000th or less than that of AZT, the only government-approved AIDS drug.

In other innovative approaches, different scientists are teaming up laboratory-made solutions of CD-4 with plant and bacterial toxins that hopefully will act as decoys to sop up HIV-infected cells and destroy them.

However, Zarling noted those compounds do not work against cells where HIV lies ''silent,'' or not actively multiplying. In addition, those toxins lack the specific anti-viral activity found in PAP, and instead simply kill infected cells, she said.

Another advantage of the pokeweed compound may be its long-lasting effect. In tissue cultures, its anti-HIV power appeared to persist for several weeks inside cells after outside supplies of the drug were washed out.

''The effect on virus activity may be irreversible,'' Zarling said. However, she emphasized animal studies, let alone human tests, have not yet begun.

Even if the drug performs as well in patients as it did in the test-tube,

Zarling does not envision the compound as an AIDS cure, but rather as one of multiple drugs in a chemotherapy strategy similar to that used to treat cancer. In its current design, the drug cannot attack free virus in the bloodstream and would also be difficult to deliver to HIV-infected brain cells.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.33	10.01
Anchor Fund Inv	14.81	15.71
Delaware Mutual	17.05	18.28
Fidelity Fund	16.80	16.80
Investors Mutual	11.00	11.58
Investors Stocks	18.29	19.25
Investors Select	8.24	8.67
IDS Equity Plus	9.03	9.50
Mass Inv Growth	8.48	9.14
Nicholas Fund	3.29	3.29
United Accumulated	6.38	6.97
United Income	17.23	18.83
Vanguard Wellington	16.11	16.11

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DETROIT (SEPT. 5) UPI - Following are the monthly and 10-day sales figures for car and light-duty trucks among the nation's domestic automakers:

AUGUST U.S. CAR SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Year ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	241,014	296,482	off 18.7 pc
Ford	153,604	209,951	off 26.8 pc
Chrysler	61,027	90,345	off 32.5 pc
Honda	45,164	36,979	up 22.1 pc
Nissan	10,581	14,221	off 25.6 pc
Toyota	41,798	29,936	up 39.6 pc
Mazda	9,341	3,795	up 146.1 pc
Mitsubishi	3,907	3,656	up 7.4 pc
SIA	2,315	---	
Total	568,751	685,365	off 17.0 pc

AUGUST U.S. LIGHT TRUCK SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Year ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	140,025	166,394	off 15.8 pc
Ford	117,440	126,433	off 7.1 pc
Chrysler	57,480	74,286	off 22.6 pc
Nissan	12,632	17,545	off 28.0 pc

SIA	1,260	---	
Total	328,837	384,658	off 14.5 pc

AUGUST 21-31 U.S. CAR SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Yr ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	105,306	134,159	off 21.5 pc
Ford	62,829	93,501	off 32.8 pc
Chrysler	27,549	40,340	off 31.7 pc
Honda	25,224	18,245	up 38.2 pc
Nissan	5,484	8,267	off 33.7 pc
Toyota	22,781	18,418	up 23.7 pc
Mazda	5,057	2,064	up 145.0 pc
Mitsubishi	1,896	1,656	up 14.5 pc
SIA	1,115	---	
Total	257,241	316,650	off 18.8 pc

AUGUST 21-31 U.S. LIGHT TRUCK SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Yr ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	55,030	72,697	off 24.3 pc
Ford	46,678	60,154	off 22.4 pc
Chrysler	23,072	33,052	off 30.2 pc
Nissan	6,640	10,210	off 35.0 pc
SIA	766	---	
Total	132,186	176,113	off 24.9 pc

Eroding consumer confidence and heightened prospects of a recession caused sales of domestically built vehicles in late August to slump 21 percent from strong year-ago levels, pushing sales for the full month down 16.1 percent, automakers reported Wednesday.

Sales of domestically built cars alone during August skidded 17 percent from year-ago levels after falling 18.8 percent during the final 10 days of August. Light truck sales fell 14.5 percent for the full month, following a 24.9 percent drop during the Aug. 21-31 period.

The annual sales rate for domestically built cars - the most common measure of industry performance - was a weak 6.7 million cars during August, vs. 8.1 million last year. The selling rate for late August was 6.8 million cars, down sharply from last year's 8.6 million, the highest rate in 1989.

Analysts said much of the decline was because the industry, a leading indicator of economic health, was being measured against excessively strong sales a year ago as buyers sought to take advantage of lucrative rebates that expired at the end of August.

But dismal reports about the nation's economy, along with higher fuel prices because of the Mideast tensions, also kept consumers out of showrooms, especially those near military bases.

''It has slowed down somewhat,'' said Gene Marshburn, sales manager at Sanders Ford in Jacksonville, N.C., outside Camp Lejeune. ''I don't know how many Marines are at Lejeune, but (the deployment) has affected our sales. I would say 25 or 30 percent.''

''These numbers are horrible,'' said Tom Webb, chief economist for the National Automobile Dealers Association, adding that ''we see little hope for an immediate turnaround'' because of recent economic events.

But despite the overall slump, Marshburn and other dealers said shoppers may be coming back after getting over the initial shock of the Middle East situation.

''The last 10 days we had a good selling period,'' he said. ''I think it's getting over. People in our town realize the world has got to go on.''

''They're starting to trickle back in,'' agreed James Moan, sales manager of Wester, a Dodge and Volkswagen dealership in Seaside, Calif., near Fort Ord. ''We've made a few deals with officers, but the normal enlisted man just hasn't been around.''

Walter Wilkins of Bay Chevrolet in Norfolk, Va., said ''traffic is up for unexplained reasons. We've had some 36,000-plus (soldiers) ship out, and frankly, we've been pleasantly surprised.''

The slowdown comes as automakers keep up a wide range of generous buyer incentives, even on 1991 models that are hardly off delivery trucks.

''People may also be playing chicken with the factories,'' said a sales analyst for Ford Motor Co. ''They may be holding out for even stronger rebates, since they don't hear dealers complaining that they are short of cars.''

The nine companies, which also include General Motors Corp., Chrysler Corp., American Honda Motor Co., Nissan Motor Manufacturing U.S.A., Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., Mazda Motor Manufacturing (USA) Corp., Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America, Inc. and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc. (SIA) reported combined sales of 568,751 cars and 328,837 trucks in the United States during the August.

This compares with 685,365 cars and 384,658 trucks sold in the year-ago month.

The daily selling rate of 33,244 vehicles compares with 39,630 vehicles per day for the same period last year. There were 27 selling days this year, the same as in the year-ago month.

The nation's Big Three automakers all posted double digit declines in both

car and truck sales for late August.

Industry leader GM posted a 21.5 percent slide in sales of its domestically made cars for late August, pulling full-month sales down nearly 19 percent. GM also posted a 24.3 percent decline in light truck salds,for the final 10 days of August, bringing truck sales for the full month down 15.8 percent from last year.

Ford's car sales fell 32.8 percent in late August, pulling its August sales down 26.8 percent. Ford's light truck sales fell 22.4 percent during late August, with its full-month truck sales off 7.1 percent from year-ago levels.

Chrysler's domestic car sales slid 31.7 percent in late August, bringing full month sales down 32.5 percent from year-ago levels. Its light truck sales including minivans slumped 30.2 percent in late August, pushing sales down 22.6 percent for the entire month.

So far in 1990, the firms have sold nearly 4.74 million cars, down 5.9 percent from just over 5 million units sold during the first eight months of 1989.

Light truck sales through August totaled 2.81 million units, 2.7 percent behind the 2.87 million trucks sold during the same period a year ago when measured by sales per day.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (SEPT. 5) UPI - Rocket engineers detected hydrogen gas leaking into the shuttle Columbia's engine room Wednesday, forcing NASA to cancel the hard-luck crew's planned Thursday launch on a mission already running three months late. Liftoff of the 36th shuttle mission on a 10-day astronomy mission had been planned for 1:20 a.m. EDT Thursday, but less than an hour after the start of fuel loading Wednesday, launch director Robert Sieck cancelled the countdown because of an fuel leak in the ship's engine room.

''We will be scrubbing this launch attempt for Thursday morning,'' NASA spokeswoman Lisa Malone said. ''The concentrations of hydrogen in the orbiter's aft compartment are at a level that are above what the acceptable rates are. We are securing from the launch countdown at this time.''

There was no immediate word on when another launch attempt would be made, but if the problem can be fixed in time for a Friday liftoff try, launch would be scheduled for 1:21 a.m.

The decision to delay the flight was a frustrating disappointment to Columbia's seven-member crew - a post-Challenger record - who came with hours of launch May 29 only to be grounded by a hydrogen fuel leak similar to the one that developed Wednesday.

It also was disappointing to NASA managers, who were looking for a successful launch to end a four-month flight hiatus after a summer of near-constant criticism over problems with the Hubble Space Telescope, the shuttle program and the agency's planned space station.

But it was not to be, and instead of proceeding with plans to launch Columbia on its 10th flight, engineers began conducting a series of tests to isolate the leak and to determine what might be done to fix it.

Commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46, presumably took the news of their latest delay in stride, but their reaction was not immediately available.

In the meantime, NASA's disappointing summer of setbacks and delay lingers on, despite earlier optimism that the leaks had been banished once and for all, raising the possibility of additional problems.

Engineers began slowly pumping a half-million gallons of rocket fuel into Columbia's giant external tank around 4:40 p.m., but shortly after high-speed fueling began, sensors detected traces of hydrogen in the shuttle's engine room.

''We monitoring a leak in the orbiter's aft engine compartment,'' Malone said. ''We've got leak detectors in various areas and we are picking up some traces of hydrogen in the area. We are keeping a close eye out on the concentration levels.''

Columbia was grounded in May after hydrogen spewed into the ship's engine compartment during fueling. The leak later was blamed on damaged seals inside a 17-inch-wide fuel line fitting that allows the shuttle's tank to be jettisoned in space.

Columbia was equipped with a disconnect assembly borrowed from the new shuttle Endeavour, and Malone said no hydogen gas was detected between the shuttle and its external tank where the fitting is located.

The space agency hopes to follow Columbia's flight by launching the shuttle Discovery next month on a critical mission to fire the Ulysses solar probe to the sun.

Discovery was hauled out to launch pad 39B overnight Tuesday. What impact

Columbia's latest problem might have on that mission is not yet known.

Columbia's $150 million ''Astro-1'' payload is made up of four high-tech telescopes built to study high-energy X-rays and ultraviolet light emitted from especially violent stars, galaxies and other energetic enigmas, light that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

Whenever they finally get off the ground, Columbia's astronauts plan to work around the clock in two 12-hour shifts throughout the flight with Parker, Hoffman, Parise and Durrance - all astronomers - responsible for operating the shuttle's Astro observatory.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Genl Magnaplate Corp	S	.03	10-5	9-14
LG&E Energy Corp	Q	.71	10-15	9-28
Distribution				
Sabine Royalty Trust	..	.1119	9-28	9-17
Usual				
Belvedere Corp	..	.01	10-3	9-19
Browning-Ferris Indus	Q	.16	10-5	9-21
Columbia REI Inc	..	.23	9-28	9-17
Comstock Ptrs SFI	..	.0666	9-28	9-17
Davis Water & Waste	Q	.07 1/4	10-1	9-17
First Union REI	Q	.37 1/2	10-1	9-28
Salomon Inc	Q	.16	10-1	9-17
Stanhome Inc	Q	.20	10-1	9-19
Telephone & Data Sys	Q	.07	9-28	9-14
Telephone & Data Sys A	Q	.07	9-28	9-14
Trans-Lux Corp	Q	.03	10-5	9-20
Trans-Lux Corp cl-B	Q	.027	10-5	9-20
USF&G Corp	Q	.73	10-31	9-21

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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BOSTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - A clerk magistrate refused Wednesday to lodge criminal charges against the Institute of Contemporary Art where a

controversial exhibit by the late photographer Robert Mapplethorpe has been on display for over a month.

Museum Director David Ross hailed the decision as a ''victory'' against censorship, but the anti-pornography group that had sought the charges pledged to continue its campaign to shut down the exhibit, saying the issue is ''too important to give up.''

The exhibit, ''Robert Mapplethorpe: The Perfect Moment'' which contains several examples of homoeroticism, opened on Aug. 1 and was to run through Oct. 4. From the outset Massachusetts Attorney General James Shannon said he planned no action because it did not violate state laws.

Nevertheless, a coalition called First Amendment Common Sense sought criminal charges against the museum and Ross. The group was particulary offended by seven photographs in the exhibit, including one of a nude boy and another showing a young girl whose uplifted skirt exposes her genitalia.

After a hearing in Boston Municipal Court, First Assistant Clerk Rosemary Carr refused to issue criminal complaints.

Cassandra Warshowsky, a lawyer representing the museum and Ross, said Carr's decision was inevitable because there were no grounds for charges. ''This is the right thing,'' she said. ''This is the correct thing.'' Warshowsky also noted that Shannon and other law enforcement officials already had chosen not to take action against the exhibit.

''It is a victory for those who believe that artists should be able to produce art as they like,'' said Ross.

Warshowsky said she believed the exhibit would face no more legal challenges, but a spokeswoman for the anti-pornography group said it would continue its battle.

''We have a number of options that we are considering. This is one battle but there is a war which we cannot give up,'' said Evelyn Dubel, who represents First Amendment Common Sense. She said the group had 10 days to appeal the clerk's decision.

Dubel said the group was particulary offended by the inclusion in the exhibit of the two photos depicting children. ''The entire exhibit has a highly sexually (charged) atmopsphere,'' she said. ''To put images of children in with those pictures of perverted sex and nude men with erections is absolutely abomindable.''

The Mapplethorpe exhibit became the center of controversy last April when it opened in Cincinnati. The Cincinnati Center for Contemporary Arts and

its director were indicted on obscenity charges.

Hamilton County Common Pleas Judge David Albanese was to rule Thursday on two motions to dismiss the obscenity indictments and to judge the exhibit as a whole, rather than just focusing on the offensive photographs. The trial is scheduled to start Sept. 24.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - The Bush administration must take aggressive steps to bolster slumping wheat prices, such as using this weekend's summit meeting to offer new inducements for Soviet purchases, a key congressman said Wednesday.

Wheat prices have fallen in the face of bumper crops around the world. The Agriculture Department has forecast prices will average $1 a bushel below last year's season-average of $3.72.

''It is imperative ... to take decisive action so our nation's farmers know the U.S. government will stand beside them in these difficult times '' Rep. Dan Glickman, D-Kan., said in a letter that proposed steps to export more wheat and to limit the size of next year's crop.

''Urge the president to expand trade with the Soviet Union by offering it additional assistance during his summit with President (Mikhail) Gorbachev this weekend,'' Glickman said in the letter to Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter. ''The United States could offer additional Export Enhancement Program initiatives to the Soviets.''

Glickman, chairman of the House Agriculture subcommittee on wheat, soybeans and feed grains, also said the Kremlin should be reminded that emigration reforms would open the door to obtaining export credits.

''It is clear the Soviets need such assistance, especially food assistance to effect their domestic economic reforms,'' Glickman said.

In addition, he urged aggressive action to help meet Egypt's food needs, especially because of its role in the Middle East crisis.

The United States has an offer in place to sell 2 million metric tons of wheat to the Kremlin.

On the domestic front, Glickman said Yeutter by the end of this week should ''announce the specific'' land set aside that will be required for the 1991 wheat crop. So far, Yeutter has only given a possible range for the setaside, pending enactment of the new farm policy law.

''You should be aware that it is my judgment that most members of the Agriculture Committee would opt for at least a 20 percent (setaside) and I concur,'' Glickman said.

Farmers were required to idle 5 percent of their land to qualify for farm program benefits this year. The government has estimated this year's crop as 2.7 billion bushels, compared with 2.04 billion bushels in 1989.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - U.S. gasoline imports fell markedly last week and crudd-cil supplies declined a little more than expected, the American Petroleum Institute reported Wednesday.

For the week ended Aug. 31, daily gasoline imports dropped to 192,000 barrels from 287,000 barrels in the previous week and were well below year-ago imports of 221,000 barrels, the oil industry's weekly survey showed.

Crude oil inventories fell 4.4 million barrels to 372.2 million barrels from 376.6 million barrels in the prior week but remained well above year-ago levels of 335.8 million barrels.

Oil analysts had been anticipating a decline in the range of 2 million to 3 million barrels.

Gasoline supplies stayed virtually level at 210.5 million barrels vs. 210.9 million barrels in the prior week but were considerably less than year-ago levels of 217.7 million barrels.

Stocks of unleaded gasoline, which accounts for 90 percent of the domestic market, declined slightly to 162.3 million barrels from 162.6 million barrels a week earlier but remained significantly higher than year-ago levels of 156.5 million barrels.

Daily gasoline production edged up to 7.3 million barrels from 7.2 million in the previous week and higher than the year-ago daily output of 7.1 million barrels.

U.S. refineries operated at 92 percent of capacity last week, compared with 92.4 percent a week earlier and 91.8 percent a year ago.

Crude-oil imports moved up to 6.8 million barrels a day from 6.6 million barrels a day in the previous week and were higher than year-ago imports of 6.4 million barrels a day.

Daily imports of all refined products slipped to 1.9 million barrels from

2.2 million barrels in the preceding week but were higher than the year-ago level of 1.7 million barrels.

Inventories of distillate - used for home heating oil and diesel fuel - rose to 126.7 million barrels from 124 million barrels a week earlier and remained above year-ago levels of 116.8 million barrels.

Distillate production remained level at 3.1 million barrels daily, the same as in both the preceding week and the year-earlier week.

Daily distillate imports fell to 354,000 barrels from 360,000 barrels in the previous week but were higher than year-ago imports of 222,000 barrels.

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HONOLULU (SEPT. 6) UPI - Castle & Cooke Chairman and Chief Executive Officer David Murdock Wednesday announced the phase-out of commercial production of pineapple on Lanai and said he forsaw the end of major agriculture in Hawaii.

Murdock and ILWU leader Tommy Trask said plans call for pineapple workers to be transferred to resort hotel and diversified agriculture jobs on the island over the next several years - especially during the next six months as resort and related jobs open.

Murdock said its is no longer economically feasible to grow, handle, and ship pineapple grown in Hawaii. He said there are other locations where the costs of production are much lower.

In response to a question on the future of Hawaii's agricultural industry, Murdock predicted flatly that ''agriculture will leave Hawaii, (whether) people want to keep it here or not.''

Murdock said wages were high in Hawaii but very low in other Pacific countries, making it much cheaper to grow crops elsewhere.

''I don't believe - except for agriculture that will be used in the island of Hawaii - that there will be agricultural industry of any major significance in the future,'' he said.

''It is a thing of the past, a way of the past - and unless Hawaii recognizes that, they will find they have geared for an industry that no longer exists,'' he said.

Trask said jobs on Lanai will be offered to all of the agriculture workers and training will be offered to those that need it.

''We're not too concerned with jobs on Lanai,'' Trask said. ''It's getting people to fit in to the proper position in the hotels and golf courses that are going to be built there. Nobody's pushing the panic button.''

''We'd like to see pineapple stay on the island, but we've got to face reality,'' he said.

Trask said wages and benefits in the new jobs would be better than those in the old agricultural positions. He said he did not see union membership declining but rather increasing once the changeover is complete.

The ILWU represents both the agriculture workers and the employees of the island's two resort hotels, the already-open Koele Lodge and the Manele Bay Resort, which is to open in eight months.

Lanai, nicknamed the ''Pineapple Island,'' is a 139.5-square-mile island located next to Maui. It is 98 percent owned by Castle & Cooke, whose Dole subsidiary has long operated a 16,000-acre pineapple plantation which employs 366 of the 2,092 residents as well as seasonal workers from other islands.

Dole last year replanted only half the acreage of the previous year - 1,000 acres - and replanted only 750 acres on Lanai this year, with total acreage farmed only at 6,000-7,000 acres of pineapple for canned fruit.

In 1982, Hawaii, Thailand, and the Philippines each had 20 percent of the world market for Hawaii, Murdock said. In 1989, Thailand had doubled its share to 40 percent while Hawaii's share had halved to 10 percent.

Murdock said the company will keep its 7,700 acres of pineapple on Oahu for sale as fresh fruit, especially to the mainland.

A decision has not been made on the future of the Dole cannery on Oahu, which employs 1,098 salaried workers and seasonal help. Del Monte and Libby formerly operated canneries in Hawaii but have closed them down.

He said about 100 acres will remain in pineapple production to supply the island hotels and local residents.

Murdock said he forsaw jobs in many areas on Lanai - in construction, fishing to supply the hotels, and diversified agriculture.

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The company also plans diversified agriculture, including forage crops for

livestock; vegetable crops to make the island as self- sufficient as possible, and tree crops such as papayas, citrus, and perhaps bananas.

Murdock also saw opportunities for cottage industries as residents produce handicrafts, woodwork, and painting for sale to visitors, which he said exists on other islands but not on Lanai.

But, he said the day of thousands of acres of plantations growing sugar and pineapple in Hawaii was ending. ''It's only a matter of time until major agricultural operations no longer function in Hawaii because of the cost.''

Murdock said a smaller industry could survive to grow food for consumption in Hawaii. ''It doesn't take very much land to grow all the food that is eaten by a million people in the Hawaiian islands,'' he said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 5) UPI - Israel and the United States agreed Wednesday to restart the Arab-Israeli peace process and not to link the stormy Palestinian issue and the Israeli occupied territories to the Persian Gulf crisis.

The agreement came at the first meeting between Secretary of State James Baker and Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy that ran 3 1/2 hours - 90 minutes longer than scheduled. It was the first visit to Washington for the white-haired Levy, who does not speak English.

In addition, Baker said he and Levy ''made good progress'' toward working out details for implementation of a $400 million U.S. loan guarantee, which would be used to build houses for Soviet immigrants to Israel, provided they are not constructed in the occupied territories.

''We had some very specific and in-depth discussions on this issue,'' Baker told a joint news conference at the State Department.

Overall, he said, ''we had very, very useful, friendly, productive discussions across the full range of the Israeli-United States agenda.''

The meeting came against the backdrop of the desert stalemate over Iraq's seizure and occupation of Kuwait. Levy went to great lengths to portray Israel as being solidly behind the United States in the crisis even though he said his country ''is really keeping a low profile'' in the potentially explosive situation.

He described Washington's tough stance against Baghdad as ''correct and courageous.''

''The U.S. government is deeply appreciative of the approach which

the He said he and Levy ''discussed the gulf crisis in quite some detail '' but he gave no specifics.

As for the moribund Arab-Israeli peace process, which collapsed in March along with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's previous coalition government, Baker said he and Levy ''made good progress in terms of recommitting ourselves to pursue'' a dialogue with the Palestinians.

''We have agreed to work hand-in-hand toward a continuation of the peace process,'' Levy said in Hebrew through an interpreter.

It marked the first time since the formation of Shamir's new government in the late spring that Israel publicly agreed to restart the peace process.

''It is very, very important in the context of the overall situation in the Middle East that there be a credible peace process under way,'' Baker said. ''We also agreed that we should not link the situation between Israel and the Palestinians with the situation in the Persian Gulf, as some have demanded.''

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has said he would negotiate over Kuwait if Israel makes peace with the Palestinians over the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. Baker told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee earlier in the day that he held such a linkage in ''low minimum regard.''

''We have agreed that we will continue to work together to implement Shamir's initiative,'' Baker said.

Shamir proposed in May 1979 that the Palestinians hold elections in the West Bank and Gaza, which was a condition of the 1978 Camp David peace accords.

Baker tried to get a dialogue going between Israel and the Palestinians. But the process collapsed over Israel's refusal to identify which Palestinians would be acceptable as candidates for election.

Both men appeared pleased with the outcome of their meeting, with Levy terming Baker ''my good friend'' and saying with a grin, ''I should call him Jim and he should call me David.''

Baker said they had begun ''a good personal relationship'' but did not take up Levy's first name cue, referring to his Israeli counterpart as David Levy.

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#90248u2020 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 5) UPI - The Navy's Military Sealift Command is considering the charter of a large Soviet cargo ship to help carry U-S military equipment to Saudi Arabia. NO decision has been made, but the ships can hold hundreds of vehicles, such as tanks and armored personnel carriers.

The exiled-Crown Prince of Kuwait vows to make NO territorial concessions to end Iraq's invasion of the Persian Gulf monarchy. He also criticized Jordan's King Hussein for what he called ''serious mistakes'' in handling the Gulf crisis.

Relief agencies are increasing efforts to aid thousands of refugees caught near the border between Iraq and Jordan. An American Red Cross spokesman quotes international relief workers as saying conditions for the new refugee arrivals are deteriorating.

A West Berlin newspaper says West Germany has agreed to foot half the bill for the withdrawal of the 380-thousand Soviet troops in East Germany. The withdrawal will take place over the next three or four years.

Congressional budget negotiators are considering ending or limiting tax deductions for charitable gifts to churces, shelters and other NON- profit organizations. The move could cost such groups Millions of dollars in donations.

It's the first anniversary of a drug war launched by President Bush. With anti-drug chief William Bennett at his side, Bush unveiled a rosy report on the fight against drugs and vowed never to surrender in the drug war.

Today marks the one-thousandth day of the Palestinian uprising in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. Officials say the violence is at its lowest level since the start of the 32-month-old intifada.

The director of the famed Kinsey Institute says America is- in her words- ''a nation of sexual illterates.'' 82 percent of more than 19- hundred people surveyed failed an Institute quiz about sex and reproduction.

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#90248u2041 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Pete Sampras, one of a new breed of prominent young Americans, delivered 24 aces Wednesday to post a startling five- set victory over Ivan Lendl and gain the semifinals of the U.S. Open.

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''I was getting a little tired in the fourth set and the crowd got me back into it,'' he said. ''My feet were aching and without the crowd support I wouldn't be in this situation.''

In the semifinals, Sampras will meet the winner of a Wednesday night match between four-time Open champion John McEnroe and David Wheaton, both unseeded.

This will mark the first time in nine years that Lendl has failed to reach the final. During that stretch he won the crown three times.

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''I know all the reasons it happened, all the reasons I haven't played well this year. I have to forget it and go on.''

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A year ago, Sampras upset then defending champion Mats Wilander in the second round, also in five sets, but said this victory was much bigger.

''This is the top of it, beating Lendl in the quarterfinals of the U.S. Open,'' he said. ''This is what it's all about. I really don't believe what's happening now, it's a dream come true. This is what I've been working for all summer. I've really worked hard and this is the reward, to be in the semifinals of the U.S. Open.''

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 5) UPI - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz met with President Mikhail Gorbachev Wednesday to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis, four days before a U.S.-Soviet summit expected to focus on the issue.

Soviet officials said the Iraqi side had requested Wednesday evening's surprise meeting, and visiting U.S. Senate Republican leader Robert Dole quoted Gorbachev as saying, ''I'm prepared to hear him out.''

The official Soviet news agency Tass said in a two-paragraph report after the meeting that Gorbachev and Aziz ''held a frank discussion on the situation in the Persian Gulf'' but gave no other details.

Soviet television showed an unsmiling Gorbachev and Aziz chatting as the meeting began, with none of the smiles and pleasantries that usually accompany picture-taking sessions before such meetings.

Dole, R-Kan., who led a delegation that met with Gorbachev earlier in the day, said he was optimistic about the Iraqi-Soviet contacts and the upcoming summit.

''They obviously wanted to have some contact before Sunday's (summit) meeting. He's not coming here just to get wet,'' Dole said of Aziz, who arrived in Moscow in a driving rainstorm. ''It's possible he has a message to give to Gorbachev to pass on to President Bush.''

Soviet officials, saying they hope to use Moscow's ''special relationship'' with Baghdad to help negotiate a settlement to the crisis, have maintained contacts with Iraqi officials despite the Kremlin's condemnation of the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and support for U.N. sanctions.

The Soviets have insisted in previous meetings with Iraqi officials that Baghdad immediately withdraw its troops from Kuwait as the first step to dnhing the crisis and avoiding all-out war.

Moscow cut off arms shipments to its one-time close ally in the gulf after the invasion and is supporting international sanctions against Iraq, although it has refused to participate in a naval blockade or the international military presence in the region.

The surprise visit by Aziz came four days before Gorbachev and Bush were to meet in Helsinki to discuss the crisis that began with Iraq's invasion and occupation of Kuwait.

In addition to regular diplomatic contacts in Baghdad and Moscow, Gorbachev and other Soviet officials met Iraqi special envoy Saadoun

Hammadi last month as part of the intense Soviet diplomatic effort to find a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

''Until now, however, no political or diplomatic contacts between Moscow and Baghdad have produced the desired result - the immediate withdrawal of all Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the restoration of that country's independence and sovereignty,'' Tass said in a report on Aziz's visit.

The Soviet Union expressed disappointment at the results of talks last week in Amman between Aziz and U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, and Soviet officials have said they are hopeful the Gorbachev-Bush summit will be a step forward toward a solution.

There were reports earlier in the week that King Hussein of Jordan would also visit Moscow this week to discuss the Gulf crisis, but diplomatic sources in Rome where Hussein was visiting said Tuesday the monarch had decided not to make the trip to the Soviet Union.

The Soviets have also proposed an international conference be held to resolve problems in the Middle East, a suggestion British foreign minister Douglas Hurd dismissed as having ''no chance of success.''

''There have been conferences galore on this question...and there is no magic in holding a conference which has no chance of success,'' Hurd said during a visit to Amman, Jordan Wednesday.

Dole, the Kansas Republican who is minority leader in the U.S. Senate, praised what he called unprecedented superpower cooperation in efforts to solve the Gulf crisis.

Speaking at an airport news conference before leaving Moscow, Dole said Sunday's summit in Helsinki was yet another ''turning point'' in relations between the two countries.

''The (leaders of) two superpowers are meeting for the first time in response to a conflict when we're both on the same said,'' Dole said.

He said the Senate delegation ra1/2 a monument in Leningrad that reminded the senators of the U.S.-Soviet cooperation in World War II and added, ''We think we have it again in the Persian Gulf.''

Dole said he believed Bush and Gorbachev agreed that any solution to the Gulf crisis would have to begin with an Iraqi pullout from Kuwait.

''My impression was that Gorbachev was in almost complete agreement on that point,'' Dole said.

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#90248u2071 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (SEPT. 5) UPI - Yellow Freight System Inc. said Wednesday it would seek federal regulatory approval to raise its fuel surcharge, citing higher fuel prices that have increased the company's operating costs.

The company said it would ask the Interstate Commerce Commission to raise the surcharge to 1.9 percent from 1.4 percent. If the ICC approves, the surcharge would become effective Monday.

''We want to emphasize that this surcharge is based only on the increased cost of fuel and therefore is purely a pass-through surcharge,'' said Yellow Freight president and chief executive officer George Powell III. ''Should prices decline to July levels, the surcharge ''levels, the surcharge

Yellow Freight announced a fuel surcharge Aug. 22 and told customers it would monitor fuel costs weekly.

Weekly monitoring of fuel costs will continue, the company said Wednesday.

Yellow Freight System, with 1989 operating revenue of $2.2 billion, serves customers in more than 35,000 destinations throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, and several Canadian provinces.

The company is a subsidiary of Yellow Freight System Inc. of Delaware.

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#90248u2123 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
TORONTO (SEPT. 5) UPI - Americans shouldn't fear the socialist Ontario provincial government they may face after Thursday's election, experts said Wednesday.

If the Liberal government of Premier David Peterson falls to the New Democratic Party in Thursday's provincial election, as polls suggest it will, the new left-wing government won't present a political or economic threat to the United States, the experts say.

''Ontario is going to be a good or bad place for Americans no matter who is in power,'' said Gord White, a political science professor at the University of Toronto.

Besides, said White, ''the Ontario NDP isn't a particularly radical party.''

Although the NDP advocates closing corporate tax loopholes, scrapping the

Canada-U.S. free trade deal and raising the minimum wage, ''it's going to be hard for them to make sweeping changes,'' White said.

Ontario, the center of Canadian finance and industry, is a major U.S. trading partner and a favored destination for American investors among Canadian provinces.

Dave McFadden, president of the Toronto-based Canada-U.S. Business Association, said while the NDP platform is worrisome, the American business community will likely wait and see how party policies translate to reality.

''Anybody who is realistic and concerned about Ontario's economic future has to tailor policies to fit economic realities,'' McFadden said. ''You can't defy economic gravity.''

Professor Nelson Wiseman, also a U of T political scientist, said previous NDP provincial governments in British Columbia, Saskatchewan and Manitoba were business-friendly. ''NDP socialist governments in Canada are not to be feared,'' he said.

''An NDP government in Ontario would go to great lengths to reassure the American business communities and investors,'' Wiseman said.

As for the election campaign, Wiseman said ''the Liberals miscalculated and the NDP tapped the right pulses.''

Ontario Premier David Peterson, riding a wave of enormous personal and party popularity shored by an enormous election win just two years ago, seemed a sure bet to form another majority government.

When the election was called July 30, the Liberals held 93 of the Ontario Legislature's 130 seats, the NDP 18 and the Progressive Conservatives 17. There were two vacant seats.

Peterson and the Liberals ran a feel-good, ''don't worry-be happy'', campaign hoping to capitalize on summer voter apathy.

But last week, a poll indicated the NDP would form a minority government, wherein a party does not hold a clear majority of seats in the Legislature but holds more than any other party. Opposition parties, who combined may hold more seats than the government, can vote together in the Legislature at any time to defeat the government.

Many Canadians favor minority governments, perceiving them to be more responsive, active governments.

Voter disgust with Peterson opportunistically calling an election years

before legally required to, growing skepticism about the government's integrity and anger over such policies as no-fault car insurance worked against Peterson and the Liberals.

At almost every whistle stop on the campaign trail, Peterson has been met with demonstrations of voter anger and a number of Liberal election events have been marred by jostling between Liberal supporters and protestors.

In the wake of last week's poll, the normally upbeat, soothing sounding Liberal leader has adopted a shrill, at times near-hysterical, tone as he warns supporters and voters about the supposed dangers of an NDP government.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz made a surprise visit to Moscow Wednesday where he met with President Mikhail Gorbachev in an apparent bid to strengthen ties with Iraq's former ally prior to a scheduled superpower summit. Details of the talks were not disclosed, but Sen. Robert Dole, who was also in Moscow to see Gorbachev, speculated the Iraqi minister wanted Gorbachev to pass a message to President Bush at the summit in Helsinki, Finland, Sunday.

Britain, meanwhile, dismissed a Soviet proposal for an international peace conference on the Middle East, which would include discussion of the Arab-Israeli conflict, as having ''no chance of success.'' The rejection was made public by British Foreign Minister Douglas Hurd, who arrived in Jordan from Saudi Arabia to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis and the refugee buildup from Iraq and occupied Kuwait in what some observers said was one of the worst refugee crises in modern world history.

WASHINGTON - The first signs of congressional reservations about U.S. policy in the Persian Gulf crisis emerged Wednesday, as Secretary of State James Baker outlined U.S. plans to isolate Iraq and prevent future aggression. Most members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee echoed the praise that came one day earlier at a House Foreign Affairs Committee meeting, where Baker and President Bush were lauded for their moderation and firmness in the crisis, as well as their willingness to use international rather than American pressure.

The State Department announced Wednesday that Baker will leave late Wednesday on an 11-day, eight-nation trip that will start in the Persian Gulf and take him to Helsinki, Finland for the Bush-Gorbachev summit and then to Moscow.

GENEVA - International relief agencies stepped up their campaign Wednesday to aid thousands of foreign refugees stranded in the desert along the Jordanian-Iraqi border as they try to flee the Persian Gulf crisis. The Austrian Red Cross sent baby food, powdered milk, 3,000 blankets and 26 large tents in an 11-ton shipment to border refugee camps Wednesday, and U.N. officials in Europe said they had raised $20 million in aid.

Arab newspapers reported the gulf state of Qatar expelled Palestine Liberation Organization diplomats, further isolating the organization. PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat has backed Saddam, alienating gulf states that have funded him for years.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 5) UPI - NASA's space shuttle program has been hobbled by elusive fuel leaks ever since Columbia was grounded in May the night before launch on a 10-day astronomy mission.

Here is a chronology of NASA's summer setbacks:

-May 29: Columbia, scheduled for launch May 30 on a 10-day astronomy mission, is grounded during fuel loading when sensors detect hydrogen gas spewing into the ship's engine compartment.

-June 6: Hydrogen fuel is pumped back aboard Columbia in a test to pinpoint the source of the leak. It is traced to a 17-inch-wide fuel line disconnect fitting that allows the shuttle's fuel tank to be jettisoned in space. NASA managers order the shuttle hauled back to its hangar for repairs.

-June 12: Columbia is moved back to the Vehicle Assembly Building for removal from its external tank and boosters. The disconnect fitting is later removed and shipped to California for tests to determine the cause of the leak.

-June 18: Atlantis replaces Columbia on pad 39A for a planned launch around July 15 to carry a secret military satellite into orbit.

-June 29: Engineers conduct a fueling test with Atlantis to make sure no leaks are present like the one that grounded Columbia. To their dismay, a leak shows up almost immediately and the shuttle's military mission is put

on hold indefinitely.

-July 13: Atlantis is fueled again to isolate the location of its leak. Officials say the leaks experienced by Columbia and Atlantis are different and that they apparently were coincidental.

-July 25: Atlantis undergoes a third fueling test and leaks again. NASA managers order the ship hauled back to its hangar for repairs, saying the leakage involved a flange where the shuttle's primary hydrogen fuel line bolts to the disconnect fitting. Engineers later say the leak involved the fitting itself.

-Aug. 9: Columbia, equipped with a new 17-inch disconnect fitting borrowed from the shuttle Endeavour, is once again hauled to launch pad 39A for another attempt to get off the ground.

-Aug. 20: NASA sets Sept. 1 as Columbia's new launch date, confident its fuel leak problems have been banished once and for all.

-Aug. 29: Columbia's countdown resumes.

-Aug. 30: The countdown was halted, delaying launch, because of problems with one of four on-board telescopes.

-Sept. 3: Columbia's countdown resumes after the telescope is fixed.

-Sept. 5: The shuttle is grounded once again when sensors detect hydrogen gas leaking into the shuttle's engine compartment.

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#90248u2158 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 5) UPI - President Bush telephoned Ambassador Nathaniel Howell today at the beleaguered U-S Embassy in Kuwait. A White House spokesman says Bush told Howell to- quote- ''keep up the good work.'' The president was referring to efforts by Howell's staff to help Americans trying to leave the occupied country.

The Navy today lifted the suspension on firing of the 16-inch bombardment guns on the battleship U-S-S Wisconsin, which is operating in the Persian Gulf as part of Operation Desert Shield. The suspension on firing the guns on the four U-S battleships was imposed May 24th when powder bags used in the 16-inch guns ignited during testing. The tests were part of the Navy's re-opened probe into the April 1989 gun turrent blast that killed 47 sailors aboard the U-S-S Iowa. That investigation remains open.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz met with Soviet President Gorbachev in Moscow today to discuss the Gulf crisis. Details on talks at the Kremlin

were NOT immediately available. The meeting took place four days before a U-S-Soviet summit in Finland that's also expected to focus on the Gulf crisis. U-S Senator Robert Dole, who met with Gorbachev earlier today, says Aziz may have given the Soviet leader a message for President Bush.

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#90248u2173 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 5) UPI - Black South African leader Nelson Mandela is engaging in a war of words with the nation's defense minister over the army's handling of black rioting in the township of Sebokeng. 11 people were killed when troops opened fire on rioters. Mandela charges the army came NOT to maintain control, but to continue its war against blacks. Defense Minister Magnus Malan says Mandela is trying to shift the blame for the violence.

President Bush is marking the first anniversary of his so-called war on drugs with the release of a report indicating decreased drug use. However, other figures NOT listed in the administration's report show many cities- including the nation's capital- are in the grips of record murder rates, many tied to narcotics. Bush made NO mention of the drug- related slayings today.

A tropical storm formed in the mid-Atlantic today... and forecasters predicted it will likely strengthen into a hurricane during the next few days. At last report, Tropical Storm Isidore was about 750 miles southwest of the Cape Verde Islands and was blowing 40-mile-an-hour winds.

If a New York bride did NOT make it to church on time, she only has herself to blame. A judge released a decision today saying she discharged a juror so the woman could attend her own wedding... but that was NOT sufficient reason to set aside the trial's resulting robbery convictions against two men.

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#90248u2314 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 5) UPI - Another leak has forced NASA to postpone tomorrow's already delayed launch of the shuttle Columbia. Plans to get the 10-day astronomy mission under way before dawn were called off today after engineers detected traces of hydrogen gas in Columbia's engine room during fueling. Blast-off is already running three months late, because of an earlier hydrogen leak.

Secretary of State Baker is off today on an 11-day, eight-nation trip, to solidify international support in the Persian Gulf crisis. Before he left, Baker briefed the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Baker heard the first congressional reservations about Operation Desert Shield. Delaware Democrat Joseph Biden raised questions about the War Powers Act, saying...

''I'm with you. I just want to know where we are going.''

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Canada's native affairs minister met today in Ottawa with Indian leaders in an attempt to renew negotiations to end the 56-day-old standoff at the Mohawk reservation south of Montreal. Talks broke off last week, with one of the main sticking points being amnesty for Mohawk protesters. One Indian leader called the situation at the reserve ''volatile.''

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#90248u2353 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 5) UPI - Pope John Paul talked about the AIDS epidemic today on his trip through Africa, where as many as five-Million people are estimated to have contracted the virus that causes the disease. The pope told bishops in Burundi that a purely medical approach to the epidemic would NOT succeed. He called for a return to ''emotional maturity and ordered sexuality.''

Officials in Deadhorse, Alaska, say there were NO casulties from an all-night chemical fire at an oil field support warehouse. The fire did NOT disrupt oil production at the North Slope oil fields, but a toxic cloud forced the evacuation of one-thousand workers. The blaze was extinguished today and the workers allowed to return to their work camps.

A teen-age witness testified today before a New York Family court judge that David Opont was taken away by another youth shortly before he was set afire, apparently for refusing to take drugs. The torching incident last March gained national attention as a number of celebrities visited Opont during his recovery. The UNidentified 14-year-old suspect in the attack will be sent to a youth facility if found guilty.

Yale University is out with the first study into the effects of passive smoking on children. The study claims to show that children raised in a family of smokers are twice as likely to develop lung cancer than are children NOT regularly exposed to cigarette smoke.

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#90248u2436 09/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 5) UPI - Taking the court one hour after the formidable figure of Ivan Lendl was obliterated from his immediate future, John

McEnroe punctuated his return to big-time tennis Wednesday night with a straight-sets victory over David Wheaton at the U.S. Open.

McEnroe, a second-round loser at the Open the previous two years, used a deft touch at the net and a solid serve to crush Wheaton 6-1, 6- 4, 6-4 to reach the semifinals for the first time since 1985.

Pete Sampras, one of the new wave of prominent young Americans, delivered 24 aces to remove Lendl from the picture, 6-4, 7-6 (7-4), 3-6, 4-6, 6-2.

As a result, in Saturday's semifinals, McEnroe will face the 12th- seeded Sampras with an opportunity to become the first unseeded man to reach the Open final since Jan Kodes in 1971. An unseeded player never has won the championship.

''I haven't won here since '84 and I haven't been in a Grand Slam final for five years, so it would be a big thrill to be in the final again,'' said the 31-year-old New Yorker, a four-time Open champion. ''I went through some difficult times the last few months losing matches, and I haven't played well here the last couple of years.

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''It's going to be a very exciting match,'' McEnroe said of Sampras, to whom he lost a three-setter in Toronto in July. ''I knew Sampras would give Lendl a tough time. Pete is one of the most talented guys out there.

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The men's semifinal bracket will be completed Thursday when defending champion Boris Becker plays Aaron Krickstein in the afternoon and Andre Agassi faces Andrei Cherkasov at night.

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champion Boris Becker plays Aaron Krickstein in the afternoon and Andre Agassi faces Andrei Cherkasov at night.

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''I really play fantastic,'' the sixth seeded Spaniard said. ''I moved the ball well because that's my game, and when I had the chance I go for the winners. I played very smart.''

Graf is 7-1 over Sanchez Vicario, but the single defeat was a memorable one, coming in the final of the 1989 French Open.

''I have nothing to lose against Steffi,'' Sanchez Vicario said. ''I will play my game. She knows I'm tough, and I know she's No. 1.''

Graf now has reached the semifinals in her last 15 Grand Slam championships, winning nine.

''I didn't have the best start, that's for sure, but I got in it pretty well,'' said Graf, in quest of the 10th Grand Slam title of her career. ''I feel very good. I feel I'm in excellent position but I can't underestimate any of the other players.''

Novotna, who now has taken merely one set from Graf in nine career meetings, broke service to open the match, then held to go up 2-0.

The 12th seed had another break point in the third game, which Graf saved with a service winner, and the 21-year-old West German went on to take the next four games.

Novotna won only one game in the second set, holding at love in the third game.

Novotna, a 21-year-old from Czechoslovakia, blamed her poor performance on the fact she was playing for the first time on the Stadium Court.

''I had no chance this year to play on the Center Court,'' she said. ''It's not just the whole atmosphere, but the court is different. I found it difficult to play serve and volley because the court is slower.''

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#90248u2468 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 5) UPI - Another fuel leak rained on NASA's plans to launch the shuttle Columbia tomorrow morning on a 10-day astronomy mission. Blast-off was already three months behind schedule because of an earlier hydrogen leak. Rocket engineers today detected hydrogen gas seeping into Columbia's engine room during the shuttle's fueling process. There was NO immediate word on a date for another launch attempt.

More Westerners made their way of out of Iraq today... including Americans. 29 Americans were on a plane carrying 92 women and children that arrived in London from Jordan, where it stopped during the flight from Baghdad. Another flight carrying 24 more Americans, three Canadians and one Jordanian who lives in the United States was expected to land at New Jersey's Newark International Airport.

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Thousands of refugees fleeing Iraq across land are being helped by several international relief agencies. The groups are speeding to aid the refugees stranded in the desert along the Iraqi-Jordanian border. The Austrian Red Cross sent an 11-ton shipment of supplies that included baby food, powdered milk, three-thousand blankets and 26 large tents. Officials say the condition of the refugees worsens with each passing day.

Tropical Storm Isidore formed in the mid-Atlantic early today and forecasters predict it will likely strengthen into a hurricane within 72 hours. Isidore's winds increased from 40 to 45 miles an hour this afternoon. The storm was located about 750 miles southwest of the Cape Verdes Islands... some five days away from the eastern Caribbean. It is the ninth storm named during the 1990 Atlantic- Caribbean hurricane season

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#90248u2469 09/05/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 5) UPI - A forsenic dentist has been recruited in an attempt to solve the murders of five college students in Gainesville, Florida. Dr. Michael West has pioneered techniques using dental models to match bite marks and using ultraviolet photography to match fingerprints. Detectives hope to use a bite mark on one of the victims to find a suspect.

The government hopes to estimate the rate of drug abuse by the nation's truckers. The plan calls for confidential tests at roadside scales for nine drugs and alcohol. All testing will be voluntary. The tests will begin next month in Maryland, Missouri, Arizona, Virginia and Washington state. The data will be used to refine federal drug laws applying to the trucking industry.

California evangelist Morris Cerullo has hit a snag in his attempt to buy the Heritage U-S-A complex formerly owned by disgraced televangelist Jim Bakker. Cerullo has offered 52-Million dollars for the complex, but calls P-T-L's access to satellite time essential to the deal. The P-T-L satellite contract expires in February, and satellite owner H-B-O says it's NOT interested in extending the contract.

A published study says AIDS researchers are looking into pokeweed- a common, poisonous plant found across North America- as a possible treatment. Pokeweed has proved effective in the test tube in isolating cells infected with AIDS and keeping the virus from spreading. But scientists say their research is still at an early stage, and they counsel against AIDS victims eating the plant.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - A Chicago radio station is reporting that an American civilian has been shot by an Iraqi soldier in Kuwait City. W-B-B-M A-M says a State Department spokesman has confirmed that the department is investigating a report that the American was shot while trying to escape Kuwait City. It's NOT clear whether the American was wounded or killed.

An airliner carrying 28 hostages freed from Iraq landed tonight at Newark International Airport in New Jersey. A spokeswoman for Governor Jim Florio says Virgin-Atlantic Airways Flight One carried 24 Americans, three Canadians and one Jordanian who was believed to be an American resident.

Iraq's foreign minister made a surprise visit today to Moscow, where he met with Soviet President Gorbachev. NO word on what was said. But Senator Bob Dole- who's also in Moscow- speculates the minister wants Gorbachev to pass a message to President Bush at Sunday's summit in Finland.

Hopes of restoring confidence at the beleagured space agency were dashed today. NASA was forced to scrub tomorrow morning's planned launch of the shuttle Columbia after engineers detected hydrogen gas leaking into the engine room during fueling.

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NO immediate word on when another launch attempt would be made. It's also NOT known how Columbia's latest problems will affect NASA's plans to launch the shuttle Discovery next month on a critical mission to fire the Ulysses solar probe into orbit around the sun.

Forecasters say Tropical Storm Isidore is still five days from the eastern Caribbean. But they predict it will intensify into a hurricane before

then. At last report, Isidore was about 17-hundred miles east of Trinidad and moving west at 18 miles an hour. Its top winds were 45 miles an hour.

The calender may say September, but it felt more like mid-summer in parts of the southwest and southern United States today as the mercury climbed into the triple digits. Longview, Texas, registered 102 degrees this afternoon.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - Testimony began today in Brooklyn, New York, in the trial of a 14- year-old boy charged with setting afire a Haitian immigrant boy last March after the child apparently refused drugs. The burn victim, David Opont, survived and his struggle to recover from his severe injuries drew nationwide attention.

A clerk magistrate in Boston refused today to lodge criminal charges against the Institute of Contemporary Art for displaying a controversial exhibit by the late photographer Robert Mapplethorpe. Museum officials hail the decision, but the group that sought the charges says it will continue trying to shut down the exhibit.

A photographer hired by M-T-V to take photographs during last year's video awards show has filed suit in Los Angeles against Guns N' Roses and the band's bodyguard. The photographer says the bodyguard allegedly shoved him- injuring him- when he tried to photograph lead singer Axl Rose.

More than six-thousand teachers in California, Michigan, Illinois and Pennsylvania were on strike today in contract disputes affecting at least 100-thousand students. Strikes also hit colleges in Michigan, Connecticut and Pennsylvania.

A consumer group says there's still too much fat in school lunches. As it did last year, the Public Voice for Food and Health Policy says the federal government should require schools in limit the amount of fat in its lunchtime menus to 30 percent of total calories.

Authorities in St. Louis say a police officer under investigation for a possible foot fetish has resigned. They say about a dozen women pulled over by the officer for minor traffic violations accused him of touching, tickling or looking at their bare feet while he searched their shoes for drugs.

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(SEPT. 5) UPI - Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun today rejected a

plea by Arkansas officials to overrule an appeal court's stay of execution for death row inmate Barry Fairchild. A three-judge appeals panel stayed the execution yesterday. Fairchild had been scheduled to die tonight at Arkansas' Cummins State Prison for the 1983 rape and murder of a young Air Force nurse.

A California judge today rejected defense arguments of ameliorating circumstances and sentenced a sheriff's deputy to 13 years in prison for killing his estranged wife. Anthony Scalzo's attorneys had argued for probation on the grounds that his mind was impaired at the time of the shooting because he was taking the sleeping pill Halcion.

Organizers of the Miss America Pageant say they are ''NOT concerned at all'' over reports that a self-declared civil rights leader is organizing a protest in Atlantic City, New Jersey, to coincide with the beauty contest Saturday. Steve Young says his ''Forgotten Youth'' group will stage a ''peoples' pageant'' on the boardwalk to draw attention to civil rights issues.

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The TJX Cos. (NYSE: TJX) Thursday (Sept. 6, 1990) issued the following sales report:

	1990	1989	Percent Change
4 weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990 and 4 weeks ended Sept. 2, 1989	$216,534,000	$190,416,000	13.7%
30 weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990 and 30 weeks ended Sept. 2, 1989	$1,316,623,000	$1,168,864,000	12.6%

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BURLINGTON, MA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Symbolics Inc. (NASDAQ: SMBX), Thursday announced that it had entered into an agreement with a Japanese consortium, led by Nichimen Corp., granting the consortium an exclusive license in Japan of distribution and manufacturing rights to Symbolics' Ivory processor-based software and hardware products for a period of five years.

Symbolics received aggregate cash proceeds of $3.9 million in exchange for the license and related transactions.

Nichimen Corp., a major Japanese trading company, currently distributes Symbolics' products in Japan through its subsidiary, Nihon Symbolics Corp. Under this agreement, Symbolics will continue to manufacture hardware products for the consortium on a cost basis, and will furnish new Ivory-based products for a period of two years.

Symbolics stated that this capital infusion will aid the company in financing its future business plans. Jay Wurts, Symbolics' chairman, chief executive officer, and president, stated, "This agreement underscores the unique advantage our technology provides to meet opportunities within today's highly competitive workstation and graphics markets."

Symbolics Inc., headquartered in Burlington, is the leading provider of symbolic processing hardware and software used in sophisticated applications, including interactive scheduling and planning, hypertext-based publishing, computer-aided mathematical computing and HDTV-based graphics imaging and processing. Symbolics and Ivory are trademarks of Symbolics, Inc.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - BT Tymnet Inc., provider of the international value-added network Tymnet, Thursday announced it has been selected by Prodigy Services Co., a partnership of IBM and Sears, to provide nationwide access to the Prodigy service, which was launched nationally Thursday morning.

With the utilization of the Tymnet Network, the Prodigy service becomes the nation's first coast-to-coast system linking families to information and services for a low flat fee.

For the 60 million Americans that have potential access to a personal computer, the Prodigy service is an affordable way to manage their personal finances, call up current information and advice on demand, shop from home, exchange mail, plan travel activities, play challenging games and help educate their children at the touch of a few key strokes.

With only regional coverage available previously, BT Tymnet now makes the Prodigy service available nationwide. BT Tymnet Selection Prodigy is building its own telecommunications system by erecting Prodigy Local Sites (PLSs) across the country. These sites are being supplemented by BT Tymnet in over 300 locations, providing a total of approximately 500 access sites in the United States.

"BT Tymnet has allowed us to offer the Prodigy service on a national basis two years earlier than if we continued to build a network on our own," said Prodigy President Theodore Papes.

"We chose BT Tymnet not only because it is the leader among Value-Added Networks in access coverage, but also because of the flexibility of its software-based solution, their willingness to work together with us, and their responsiveness to our requests," added Papes.

Said BT Tymnet President and Chief Executive Officer Mark Baker, "We view our partnership with Prodigy as an alliance with one of the most innovative companies today, with the potential to be a major force in the 90s. Our commitment to Prodigy is evidenced by our major network upgrade of over 200 Tymnet sites to support 2400 bps, and the addition of ten new sites specifically for this customer."

Prodigy has co-located IBM Series 1 computers at BT Tymnet node sites in New York, Fairfax, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, San Francisco, and Newport Beach. Multiple Series 1 computers at these hub sites can each support up to 256 simultaneous users and are front ended by BT Tumnet Compact XL Engines (packet switches).

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OVERLAND PARK, KS (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Sprint Services, a unit of US Sprint Communications Co., has announced that Peggy Fields has been named director of operations for its Relay Texas center in Austin, Texas.

Fields joined Sprint Services in February 1989 as director of operations for the company's Phoenix, Ariz. regional operations center. Fields now will manage operations in both Austin and Phoenix.

The Public Utility Commission of Texas awarded the Relay Texas contract to Sprint Services in March. Under the contract, Sprint Services will provide telephone communications to Texas residents who are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired. The Relay Texas center opened Sept. 1 in Austin.

Prior to joining Sprint Services, Fields managed seven operator services centers in AT&T's Northern and Eastern territories. Before the AT&T divestiture in 1984, she managed long-distance and operator services for Southwestern Bell in northern Texas. She began her career in 1966, as an operator for Southwestern Bell in Wichita Falls, Texas.

Sprint Services is based in Overland Park, Kan., which is located in

metropolitan Kansas City. The business unit was established in 1988 to provide operator support for US Sprint customers.

It now provides a variety of call assistance and 900 services to a rapidly growing market. Sprint Services has regional operations centers in Kansas City, Mo.; Nashville, Tenn.; Phoenix, Ariz.; Richmond, Va.; Indianapolis, Ind.; and Jacksonville, Fla.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City, Mo.

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SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Gull Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ:GULL), a leading manufacturer and marketer of high-quality diagnostic test kits for the detection of infectious diseases, Thursday announced results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30.

While net income declined, revenues increased 26 percent for the quarter and 23 percent for the six-month period.

For the quarter just ended, the company reported a net loss of $47,000 or less than 1 cent per share on revenues of $1.5 million compared to net income of $207,000 or $.04 per share on revenues of $1.2 million for the same period a year ago.

For the six-month period, net income reached $23,000 or less than 1 cent per share on revenues of $2.8 million, compared to net income of $403,000 or $.08 per share on revenues of $2.2 million last year.

Dr. Myron Wentz, president and chairman of the board, stated that a strategic decision was made to position Gull for more rapid growth than is available in infectious disease diagnostics. ''While sales continue to grow and are at an all-time high,'' Wentz said, ''we invested significantly in the expansion of our diagnostics division and in the establishment of two new divisions. We believe these investments will strengthen our present position in diagnostics and the new divisions will allow us to compete in larger markets.''

Gull Laboratories Inc. remains in a strong cash and liquid asset position. At June 30, 1990, current assets exceeded current liabilities by 3.7 to

1. The company also has a $1 million revolving line of credit providing a positive liquidity position.

Gull Laboratories Inc. develops, manufactures and markets high quality diagnostic test kits for the detection of infectious diseases. The company markets these products for use in hospitals and clinical laboratories around the world.

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CEDAR RAPIDS, IA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Rockwell International Corp.'s Collins Defense Communications (CDC) has been awarded an $18.3 million production contract for the AN/GRC-XXX HAVE QUICK II UHF AM/FM Ground Radio.

The contract was issud by the Air Force Systems Command's Electronic Systems Division at Hanscom Air Force Base in Bedford, Mass. It calls for initial production of 492 radio sets with two follow-on production options scheduled in fiscal year 1992 and 1993.

The high-performance AN/GRC-XXX receiver-transmitter updates the Air Force's UHF HAVE QUICK capability by offering increased ECCM capability in the presence of radio jamming. It is primarily intended for use in dense UHF co-site locations where it is designed to reduce or eliminate co-site interference.

Offering reliable communications in normal or stressed environments, the AN/GRC-XXX will be rack mounted in tactical vans, shelters and fixed ground installations. The equipment also performs air traffic control communications at collocated VHF/UHF transmitter/receiver sites.

Completely solid state, the AN/GRC-XXX provides AM and FM communications on any one of 7,000 channels in the 225 to 399.975 MHz band with 20 watts AM or 50 watts FM carrier output.

Its similarity to existing AN/GRC-171(V)2 family of radio systems increases life cycle cost (LCC) benefits while providing increased flexibility and capability where required.

The AN/GRC-XXX system is compatible with radios incorporating the standard UHF ECCM modes known as HAVE QUICK and HAVE QUICK II. When an upgrade to

HAVE QUICK IIA is called for, all that is required is a field modification easily increasing the anti-jam margin and ensuring 3 C in a stressed environment.

Work on the program will be performed at CDC's facilities in Cedar Rapids and Salt Lake City and is expected to have no impact on employment in either city.

Rockwell International is a $12 billion, multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses.

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TUSTIN, CA. (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert J. Williams was elected senior vice president, specialty services of Eldorado Bank, and Gary A. Green was promoted to vice president and manager of the bank's Tustin office, succeeding Williams.

Williams will be responsible for all the bank's specialty services including its Victorville loan production office, small business administration (SBA) and real estate loans, escrow, leasing, bankcard and appraisal services. He will continue to have headquarters in the Tustin office and will be a member of the bank's senior management team.

Williams has over 20 years experience in banking with Security Pacific National Bank, Pacific National Bank and Huntington Beach National Bank where he served as senior vice president, credit administration. He joined Eldorado Bank in March 1989 as vice president and manager of the Tustin branch office. Williams is a graduate of San Diego State University where he majored in business administration.

Green joined Eldorado Bank in March, 1989, as vice president, business banking officer, with headquarters in the Tustin office. Prior to joining Eldorado he was vice president, manager, of the South Coast Regional Office of Coast Bank. Previously he was with 1st Business Bank and Bank of America. Green received his master's degree in business administration from the University of Southern California and his bachelor of arts degree from California State University at Fullerton.

Commenting on the promotions, J.B. Crowell, president and chief executive officer of Eldorado, said, ''Both these individuals have made substantial contributions to our growth. Their new positions are indicative of the increased responsibilities and larger roles they are taking to accommodate Eldorado's continued expansion.''

Eldorado Bank, with total assets of about $300 million, operates through nine locations in Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties. It is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Eldorado Bancorp (ASE:ELB).

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SANTA ANA, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The First American Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:FAMRA) has acquired control of the Southwest Title & Trust Co. of Oklahoma City for cash and notes, according to D.P. Kennedy, president.

''Southwest Title & Trust Company fits well into our Oklahoma title network and provides the company with an interest in an Oklahoma County title plant as well as title plants in Cleveland County and Pottawatomie County,'' Kennedy said.

Dewey Jernigan, president of Southwest, will remain as a consultant and honorary board chairman. James Kott, First American state manager for Okalahoma, was elected to succeed him as president. First American's Oklahoma operations will be moved to Southwest's building.

First American plans to acquire the balance of the shares held by the minority interest as soon as possible.

The First American Financial Corp. operates its title insurance business through its principal subsidiary, First American Title Insurance Co., one of the largest title insurers in the nation. The company offers title services through a network of more than 5,500 offices or agents in all 50 states.

It also provides title services abroad in the Bahamas, Guam, Mexico, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the United Kingdom.

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SAN MATEO, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - CBR Cement Corp. announced Thursday that it has entered into a Definitive Agreement for the acquisition of Standard Concrete Products Inc. (Standard), a leading Southern California ready-mix concrete producer headquartered in Santa Ana

Calif.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed, but the transaction is expected to close immediately after applicable regulatory reviews.

With annual sales of approximately $75 million, Standard operates eight ready-mix concrete plants and an aggregates company that serve the construction markets in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties.

The CBR Group is a leading international cement producer with integrated concrete and aggregates operations in the Western areas of Europe, Canada and the United States.

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Lesley Yarborough, 415/572-8900

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EL PASO, TEXAS (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - El Paso Electric Co. announced Thursday that it has adopted, subject to regulatory approval, a share purchase rights plan and authorized the filing for the necessary regulatory approvals of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the New Mexico Public Service Commission.

The plan cannot be put into effect without the prior approval of both commissions. The plan was not adopted in response to any known takeover attempt or threat.

Upon receipt of approval from both commissions, the company will declare a dividend distribution of one share purchase right (right) for each outstanding common share of the company. When declared, each right will entitle shareholders to buy one newly-issued share of common stock of the company at an exercise price of $25.

The rights will be exercisable only if a person or group acquires 15 percent or more of the company's common shares or announces a tender offer for 30 percent or more of the company's common shares. The company will be entitled to redeem the rights at 1 cent per right within certain time periods.

If a shareholder acquires 15 percent or more of the company's outstanding common shares, each right will entitle its holder to purchase, at the right's then-current exercise price, a number of the company's common shares having a market value at that time of twice the right's exercise price.

If the company is acquired in a merger or other business combination transaction, each right will entitle its holder to purchase, at the right's then-current exercise price, a number of the acquiring company's common shares having a market value at that time of twice the right's exercise price.

The dividend distribution will be made to shareholders of record on a date set after regulatory approval. The rights will expire in 10 years.

El Paso Electric is an electric utility serving approximately 241,000 customers in El Paso, Texas and an area of the Rio Grande Valley in Texas and New Mexico.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Monarch Capital Corp., one of the nation's leading variable life and disability income insurance companies, has consolidated its national investment operations at Associated Capital Investors Inc. (Associated), a San Francisco-based money management firm in which Monarch holds a controlling interest.

In addition to transferring to Associated $1.3 billion in assets previously managed by the company's Springfield, Mass. headquarters, Monarch moves its entire investment department headed by current vice chairman and chief investment officer George Siguler.

Siguler, 43, becomes president and chief investment officer for Associated replacing Thomas B. Kelley who will remain with Associated through the end of the year to provide continuity during the management transition. Kelley is considering several ventures but is not ready to discuss his specific plans.

Siguler engineered Monarch's acquisition of Associated from BankAmerica Corp. in 1988. Since the acquisition, he has had oversight responsibility for the firm.

''I anticipate continuing Associated's philosophy of pursuing quality growth investments, with greater emphasis on quantitative controls,'' said Siguler.

Other portfolio management staff joining Siguler in the move include Michael J. Romanowski, Douglas A. Barry, John E. Leslie III, and Seth A. Reicher.

Siguler first gained a reputation as an innovative investment strategist during his tenure managing Harvard University's assets from 1973 to 1983, where he was a founding partner of the Harvard management Co. Before joining Monarch in 1984, Siguler served as chief of staff of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for two years.

At Monarch Siguler has guided the firm's investment strategy, including managing the company's bond portfolio, overseeing all private equity investing and targeting investments for the company's branded variable life and annuity products.

Under Siguler, Monarch's fixed income performance has surpassed that of 95 percent of all professional managers during the past five years. Monarch's equity management returns have topped the market in each of the past three years, and Monarch's participation in private investments has brought a five-year compound annual rate of return exceeding 37 percent.

In addition, sales of variable life and annuities have been riding a wave of resurgent interest in the investment products arena.

Siguler has just moved to Tiburon, Calif., with his wife Pamela and their four children. He is a member of the Visiting Committee of the Harvard Medical School and has also served as a director of the Investor Responsibility Research Center, an organization that deals with shareholders' rights.

Associated Capital Investors Inc. is an investment manager for institutional clients, mutualfunds and high net-worth individuals.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Southmark Corp. Thursday announced the promotion of Robert M. Galecke to chief operating officer and ececutive vice president.

Galecke previously served Southmark as executive vice president, treasurer and secretary.

In addition, Richard G. Knoblock and Jack Lowe were appointed to the board of directors of Southmark, replacing James A. Colquitt and Arthur L. Crowe Jr., who served on an interim basis following Southmark's emergence from Chapter 11 proceedings in mid-August.

These appointments fulfill the requirement that Southmark maintain a board

comprised of a least three directors, of which two must be independent.

Glen Adams, chairman, president and chief executive officer, commented, ''Bob Galecke's familiarity with the company's various businesses and his vast experience with the many levels of management will prove invaluable as we move into this new phase of the company's history.''

Before joining Southmark in 1986, Galecke was president and chief operating officer of Amrecorp Realty Inc., a national real estate syndication and property management company. He also served as executive vice president and senior lending officer for First Bank Milwaukee in the early 1980s. Galecke received a B.S. in Economics and a graduate degree from the School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin.

Adams continued, ''Southmark is indeed fortunate to have directors of the caliber of Richard Knoblock and Jack Lowe. I am confident that both will make significant contributions to Southmark in the months ahead.''

Both Knoblock and Lowe have extensive experience in the private sector and have been involved with a number of large corporations. Knoblock currently serves as president of the Electro Kinetics Division of Pacific Scientific Co. in Santa Barbara, Calif.

He previously served in executive posts with Kavlico Corp. and Lear Siegler Corp. Knoblock graduated from the United States Military Academy and served as a pilot in the United States Air Force for several years, including three years of active duty in Southeast Asia.

Lowe is chairman of the board and chief executive officer of TDIndustries, an employee-owned mechanical contracting firm headquartered in Dallas. A director of Turtle Creek National Bank, Lowe is also active in several civic and community organizations, including the Community Council of Greater Dallas, Baylor University Medical Center Foundation, Dallas County Community College District Foundation, and the Salvation Army.

He graduated Magna Cum Laude from Rice University and served for two years in the United States Navy, assigned to the Manned Spacecraft Center, NASA, in Houston.

Southmark Corp., headquartered in Dallas, is a real estate and financial services company.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The buyout of The Prudential California Realty (PCR) by its senior management team was successfully completed Thursday.

As a result, PCR is now the largest independent residential real estate brokerage firm in the state of California and one of the largest in the nation.

The finalization of the agreement and the announcement was made by the senior management of the new company, George Rathman, who will serve as chairman and chief executive officer of the firm, Rick Merrill, who will be president and chief operating officer and Robert LeFever, who will be the executive vice president.

In addition to the senior management, four regional directors will participate as limited partners: Joseph Balla in Northern California, Rolinda Smith in Beverly Hills/West Los Angeles, Roger Ewing in North Los Angeles/Ventura/Santa Barbara and Robert Foster in the South Bay/Orange County/Inland Empire. Steve Games will continue to serve as the president of The Prudential California Realty, San Diego.

The Prudential California Realty is the largest independent residential real estate marketing firm in California with 78 offices extending from the San Francisco Bay area to San Diego and having more than 4,200 sales associates. PCR generated more than $9 billion in California sales in 1989 and has expertise in both statewide and international marketing with extensive capabilities in the Pacific Rim.

In addition to being the largest independent real estate firm in California, PCR will be the largest member of The Prudential Real Estate Affiliates national network, which has nearly 1,000 offices and 24,000 sales associates.

PCR will continue to enjoy the support of Prudential's national television advertising program and nationwide relocation management services.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Team Inc. (ASE:TMI) ("the company") and Source Environmental Sciences Inc., both of Houston, Thursday announced that they have signed a letter of intent for the acquisition by Team Inc. of all of the common stock of Source Environmental.

The price of the transaction was not disclosed; however, it will be a

stock transaction and accounted for as a pooling of interest by Team. The acquisition is subject to the approval of both boards and execution of a definitive agreement.

Source Environmental is a professional environmental consulting firm serving Team's present industrial customer base. It began its operation in 1984 specializing in air quality service, including the preparation of environmental permit applications, atmospheric dispersion modeling, fugitive air emission monitoring, and environmental impact assessments and audits for industrial facilities.

Jack Coblenz, the founder, will continue to serve and direct Source as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Team.

With the merger of Source, Team, already a national leader in plant emissions monitoring and control, will take another step forward in its stated commitment to expand its service capabilities in the areas of comprehensive environmental and air quality permitting.

This expanded line of service to Team's customers is intended to insure that new and existing industrial customers would have access through Team to the resources they require to meet present and new clean air compliance standards.

Team also confirmed, as stated in its press release dated July 11, 1990, that spending on road maintenance and repair work by the state of Texas was reduced for July and August because of budgetary constraints as the state neared the end of its Aug. 31, 1990 fiscal year. However, this situation was temporary and will affect the company's first quarter only as the state's new budget began Sept. 1, 1990, and it is expected that spending will return to normal for the remainder of the year.

The first quarter will be profitable for the company but less than originally anticipated. First quarter results will be available and released at the end of September. The company is optimistic for the year's results because of expected strong performance in all divisions during the rest of this fiscal year.

Team Inc. is a national service company and a leader in the repair and maintenance of America's public and private infrastructure from roads and bridges to industrial plants. Headquartered in Houston, Texas, the company has 53 operating locations in 24 states and serves the international market through licensee arrangements in 12 countries. Team Inc. is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol TMI.

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FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - URCARCO INC. (NASDAQ:CARS) announced Thursday that sales for the month of August 1990 were $18.8 million, as compared to $8.5 million for August 1989.

This represents a 120 percent increase over sales a year ago.

URCARCO INC. operates a chain of 18 used car retail lots in Fort Worth, Dallas, Austin, Houston, and San Antonio, Texas, selling quality used passenger cars and light trucks and typically financing customer purchases.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Guy F. Atkinson Co. of California (NASDAQ:ATKN), Thursday announced that its pipe distribution business Comco Pipe & Supply Co. has purchased assets of the March Pipe Company Inc. of Commerce, Calif.

Terms of the sale were not disclosed.

This purchase provides Comco, with headquarters in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, an established pipe distribution network serving the greater Southern California region. This network is in addition to its existing Northern California and Canada operations. Comco will be servicing customers in Southern California from a new yard located in Rialto, Calif.

Comco supplies pipe, flanges, and fittings to the energy, industrial, construction, and manufacturing industry segments.

Guy F. Atkinson Co. of California is a diversified corporation with interests in construction, manufacturing, industrial pipe distribution, and oil and gas exploration and development.

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JUNEAU, AK (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Sealaska Corp. reported net income of $16.8 million on revenues of $110.7 million for the fiscal year ended

March 31, 1990.

The company's assets total more than $302.3 million, an increase from last year's $278.9 million. ''Sealaska's earnings are attributable largely to income from timber sales and interest earnings from our investment portfolio,'' Sealaska Chief Executive Officer and President Byron I. Mallott said.

Revenues from timber operations were $95.5 million, generated from a harvest of 98.7 million board feet (MMBF). Sealaska's $147.5 million investment portfolio accounted for $12.1 million in income, up 34 percent from the previous year's $9.1 million in income.

Revenues of $177 million from Sealaska's seafood subsidiary, Ocean Beauty Seafoods Inc. (OBSI) and revenues of $8.5 million from Sealaska's Building Products Group (BPG), were not recorded in fiscal year 1990's financial statements.

Sealaska announced in July that an Indonesian firm had signed an agreement to purchase the Seattle-based seafood processing and distribution company. The BPG, which includes Alaska Aggregate Corp. in Anchorage and Fairbanks Sand & Gravel, is held for sale. OBSI and BPG have been accounted for as a discontinued operations.

The decision to sell OBSI was part of a strategic plan adopted by the Sealaska board of directors in December of 1989. ''Sealaska's plan included selling OBSI, reducing corporate overhead expenses by 25 percent, providing a shareholder vote on whether or not we should issue Sealaska stock to ''New Natives'' as provided under the 1991 amendments, and resolving the 7(i) revenue sharing disputes with the other regional Native corporations,'' said Mallott.

''We are well under way to meeting the strategic objectives established by the board. Sealaska's financial strength and liquidity places the company in an ideal position for expanding into new business areas,'' he said.

Sealaska distributed approximately $5.6 million to its 16,000 shareholders from fiscal year 1990 income. Each shareholder with 100 shares received $357. ''Our annual distributions are very important to our shareholder families and to the Southeast economy. Whenever Sealaska or Southeast village corporations distribute money, we are pumping millions of dollars directly into the local communities,'' Mallott said.

Sealaska will be conducting an advisory shareholder vote to determine whether or not the corporation should issue stock to Southeast Natives born after Dec. 18, 1971, (the passage of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act). Under the 1991 Amendments to ANCSA, Native corporations have the option of issuing stock to ''New Natives'' provided that a

majority of the shareholders vote in favor of such action. Sealaska estimates that there are at least 8,000 New Natives eligible to receive Sealaska stock.

The advisory vote will be on the 1990 proxy for Sealaska's annual meeting which is scheduled for Nov. 3 in Saxman.

Sealaska Corp., headquartered in Juneau, Alaska, is one of the 13 regional corporations formed under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971. Sealaska's primary investments are in forest products, minerals development and portfolio management.

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DENVER (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - USMX Inc. Thursday announced the discovery of potentially significant gold mineralization at five targets in the Alligator Ridge Trend in White Pine County, Nev.

USMX began aggressively exploring its Alligator Ridge Trend properties in June 1990. To date a total of eight targets have been drill tested. Initial results from this drilling show that five areas with potential ore grades and thicknesses have been located. The five areas are as follows:

POKER FLATS: Located approximately 1.5 miles southeast of the Casino Mine.

REPEAT: Located approximately 1 mile southwest of Poker Flats.

HORSESHOE: Located approximately 1.5 miles southeast of Repeat.

SKY: Located approximately 1,500 feet northwest of the Placer/Dome Top Deposit Pit.

EAST TOP: Located approximately 500'E. of the Placer/Dome Top Deposit Pit.

None of these targets have been fully delineated by drilling and no estimate of tons or grade is possible at this time. The following is a listing of the best hole USMX has drilled in each area:

POKER FLATS: CRS-210 encountered an interval from 15 feet to 70 feet of .108 opt Au.

REPEAT: CRS-214 encountered an interval from 55 feet to 135 feet of .084 opt Au.

HORSESHOE: BHR-22 encountered an interval from 0 feet to 75 feet of .025 and 110 feet to 135 feet of .064 opt Au.

SKY: SAR-20 encountered an interval from 45 feet to 135 feet of .081 opt Au.

EAST TOP: BDR-149 encountered an interval from 130 feet to 180 feet of .098 opt Au.

All of these holes are oxidized and the mineralization is at shallow depths. While drilling results to date are encouraging, with the identification of significant intervals of ore grade mineralization, much work needs to be done before a reserve calculation can be made.

Aggressive exploration of these and additional targets will continue throughout the remainder of the year.

USMX is currently in the start-up phase at its Casino Mine. To date approximately 90,000 tons of ore have been placed on the heap leach pad. Construction of the process facilities has been completed, with leaching scheduled to commence early September.

USMX Inc. is involved in the exploration, development, and production of gold properties in the United States. The company's stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol USMX.

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AUSTIN, TX (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - SEMATECH announced today it has awarded an Equipment Improvement Program (EIP) contract to Applied Materials Inc. of Santa Clara, Calif.

The EIP will be performed in a joint beta site program at IBM's Advanced Semiconductor Technology Center (ASTC), a semiconductor development site in East Fishkill, N.Y. IBM will act as contractor for the program.

The EIP will focus on the characterization of Applied Materials' Endura 5500 Physical Vapor Deposition (PVD) Masterfab, a newly introduced ultra-high vacuum PVD system, used to deposit thin films of aluminum and refractory metals on semiconductor wafers.

According to U.S. Rep. Tom J. Campbell, R-Calif., the announcement represents an emerging trend within the semiconductor industry. ''The new spirit of cooperation between semiconductor manufacturers and their suppliers is very significant in revitalizing America's competitiveness. The input of IBM and Sematech on the Endura 5500 will be invaluable.''

Due to the fact that the Endura 5500 is a new product, SEMATECH's interest is in evaluating capability, performance and reliability data from which to establish a baseline of expectations for future enhancements of the equipment.

''Basically, what we're trying to do is evaluate Applied's 5500 to see exactly what it's capable of in terms of meeting the needs of America's semiconductor manufacturers today. Then, we will compare its existing capabilities against what we know will be necessary to meet tomorrow's needs,'' said Dr. Turner E. Hasty, SEMATECH's chief operating officer.

The Endura 5500 is used in the sputtering process which utilizes energetic ions to erode source material off a metal target, such as aluminum or refractories like titanium or titanium nitride, for deposition onto a wafer.

''The Endura 5500 represents the latest technology in PVD systems.'' said Jim Bagley, president of Applied Materials, ''We are pleased that SEMATECH and IBM have chosen to evaluate our system, and confident they will be impressed with the Endura 5500's full range of proven and potential capabilities for advanced semiconductor manufacturing.''

After the Endura 5500 is characterized for PVD processing, it will be evaluated for for service as a cluster tool for integrated processes to meet SEMATECH's Phase 2 requirements -- those designed for manufacturing semiconductors at 0.5-micron feature sizes.

According to Neil Poulin, program manager for the characterization of the 5500 at IBM's ASTC, the project is a valuable method for revitalizing America's semiconductor technology. ''I am looking forward to evaluating the Endura 5500 along with SEMATECH. Our joint efforts will result in future equipment with the capabilities to compete with the best in the world.''

SEMATECH, a consortium of 14 American semiconductor manufacturers and the U.S. Department of Defense, has the mission of restoring U.S. semiconductor manufacturing leadership capability.

Applied Materials, Inc. is a member of SEMI/SEMATECH, an independent industry association headquartered at SEMATECH. SEMI/SEMATECH has 128 members, consisting of majority-owned American suppliers to the semiconductor manufacturing industry.

SEMI/SEMATECH serves as a communications link between SEMATECH's 14 semiconductor manufacturers and suppliers. Its mission is to achieve a continuous improvement in the relationship between users and suppliers of semiconductor equipment and materials.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Fidelity Investments, the nation's largest privately held mutual fund and discount brokerage firm, Thursday announced the acquisition of the California brokerage accounts of First Interstate Discount Brokerage, a subsidiary of First Interstate Bancorp of Texas.

The acquisition, which is effective Sept. 17, also includes accounts in Arizona, Oregon, Idaho, Washington and Texas, for a total of more than 25,000 accounts. Terms of the sale were not disclosed. This is Fidelity's fifth acquisition during the past 12 months, bringing the total number of brokerage accounts acquired to more than 100,000.

"The acquisition represents Fidelity's strong commitment to building the discount brokerage business in the Western U.S.," said Sal LaBarbera, western region senior vice president for Fidelity's brokerage unit. "This is an ideal match because both Fidelity and First Interstate place such a high priority on customer service."

Investors used to calling First Interstate's brokerage operation in Houston between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. (EDT) will be able to access Fidelity's registered finanical representatives 24-hours a day, seven days a week. In addition, customers seeking in-person service can visit one of Fidelity's 60 walk-in Investor Centers nationwide.

In California, Fidelity has centers located in downtown Los Angeles, Century City, Irvine, San Diego, San Jose, Sacramento, San Francisco and Walnut Creek.

All transactions will continue to be cleared through National Financial

Services Corp., a Fidelity subsidiary specializing in clearing and execution services for the correspondent brokerage business. Fidelity's commission rates are comparable to First Interstate's.

Fidelity has been in the brokerage business since 1978 and is one of the nation's leading discount brokerage firms with over two million institutional and retail brokerage accounts. Through Fidelity, investors can trade stocks, bonds, and options, as well as U.S. Government or municipal securities, at a savings rate of up to 76 percent over a full-cost broker.

Other investment options available through Fidelity include mutual funds, certificates of deposits (CDs), unit investment trusts (UITs), annuities and precious metals.

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TUSTIN, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - CMS Enhancements Inc. (NYSE:CME) Thursday announced that net revenues for the fourth-quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $33,571,000 compared with $42,831,000 for the same quarter a year ago.

Non-recurring charges taken in the fourth quarter resulted in a loss of $1,744,000, or 55 cents per share, compared with net income of $1,218,000, or 48 cents per share, for the fourth quarter of last fiscal year.

Net sales for the fiscal-year 1990 were $187,724,000 compared with $200,385,000 for fiscal 1989, while net income for fiscal 1990 was $405,195, or 13 cents per share, compared with $4,804,000, or $1.88 per share, for the same period a year ago.

Per-share results have been computed with 24-percent more shares outstanding for fiscal-year 1990's fourth quarter and the full fiscal year than in prior comparable periods and have been adjusted to reflect the one-for-four ''reverse'' split of the company's common stock on Dec. 5, 1989.

''While fiscal 1990 does not represent results that we are pleased with as a comparison with the prior fiscal year, we are looking ahead to fiscal 1991 with cautious optimism,'' stated Jim Farooquee, president and chief executive officer of CMS.

Farooquee went on to say that ''the loss for the fourth quarter is primarily the result of the previously announced writedown of our tape backup subsystem inventory taken during the fourth quarter which totaled approximately $5 million and the lower revenues are a reflection of the extensive competition within CMS's product lines.''

CMS Enhancements is a producer and worldwide marketer of mass-data storage devices and accessories for most major brands of personal and laptop computers. CMS markets its products through dealers and distributors in over 61 countries throughout the world. -0- T

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LONGVIEW, WA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Longview Fibre Co. (NYSE:LFB) Thursday declared an increased fourth regular quarterly dividend in the company's fiscal year ending Oct. 31, 1990, of 13 cents per share and an extra year-end dividend of 3 cents per share on the outstanding common stock of the corporation payable Oct. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 25, 1990.

After adjusting for the five-for-one stock split in April 1990, this payment of 16 cents per share brings the total dividends paid in this fiscal year to 52 cents per share, which compares with 48 cents per share paid in the corresponding period of the prior fiscal year.

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PHOENIX (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Aztar Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:AZTR) Thursday announced completion of a program to repurchase up to 2 million shares of its common stock.

The company also announced authorization Thursday by the Aztar board of directors for company management to make discretionary repurchases of up to 2 million additional shares.

The authorized repurchases would be made with corporate funds from time to time in the open market or otherwise at such prices as the company considers advisable. Repurchased shares would be held as treasury shares to be used for general corporate purposes.

The initial authorization to repurchase up to 2 million shares, or about 5 percent of the shares outstanding, was made by the board on May 10.

Aztar Corp. is a publicly held casino gaming company that operates TropWorld Casino and Entertainment Resort in Atlantic City, N.J., the Tropicana Resort and Casino, Las Vegas, Nev., and the Ramada Express Hotel and Casino in Laughlin, Nev.

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SCOTTS VALLEY, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Seagate (NASDAQ/NMS:SGAT) has appointed John P. Weyandt to vice president, Twin Cities Engineering the company announced Thursday.

Based at Seagate's Minneapolis facility and reporting to Seagate chief technical officer Brendan Hegarty, Weyandt will have charge of product development for the company's Twin Cities Development Center.

Bringing more than 20 years of manufacturing and engineering experience to his new position, Weyandt began a 20-year career with Control Data Corp. in 1969 as a product test manufacturing engineer.

In the succeeding years, Weyandt held responsibility for the management of new product manufacturing engineering and planning for CDC's line of RSD, FSD, and SMD products; and in 1986 was responsible for driving the company's Sabre ''mini-plant,'' charged with manufacturing engineering for all new and production Sabre products.

In 1987, Weyandt became director, Sabre product development for Imprimis Technology, a Control Data subsidiary. And after Seagate's acquisition of Imprimis in 1989, Weyandt was appointed executive director, Twin Cities Engineering.

Brendan Hegarty commented: ''John Weyandt has greatly excelled in his area of expertise, and we are looking forward to the contributions he will continue to make to Seagate's engineering and product development endeavors.''

Weyandt, 43, holds a bachelor of science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Minnesota.

Seagate Technology is the world's leading supplier of disc storage devices and components to original equipment manufacturers and remarketers.

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SPOKANE, WA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Pegasus Gold Inc. (ASE, TSE:PGU) announced Thursday that it will adopt a modified mining plan at its Montana Tunnels mine in western Montana based on a review of all current economic data and the most recent drill results.

The new work has been reviewed and verified by an outside consulting firm. Under the revised plan, the stripping ratio at Montana Tunnels will decline by more than half over the life of the mine, from 3.3:1 to 1.4:1, while cash costs (net of by-product credits) potentially could be reduced by as much as 40 percent over the corresponding period. As a result, the earnings and cash flow contribution from this deposit will be enhanced considerably despite the fact that recoverable ounces of gold will drop by approximately 10 percent (5 percent on a gold equivalent basis).

In addition to major revisions to the mining plan, other refinements made primarily to the mill facility have resulted in Montana Tunnels achieving the highest level of consistency and recoveries since its inception. Other future changes such as the possible installation of a gravity circuit could further increase operating efficiencies.

John Willson, president and chief executive officer of the company, stated ''After our announcement last August, the staff at Montana Tunnels has worked diligently to achieve the optimum mine plan and operating procedures. These latest results are very gratifying and a tribute to our people at the mine.''

The following table provides comparative data between the previous and revised mining plans at Montana Tunnels.

Pegasus Gold Inc. is a major North American gold producer that currently produces over 340,000 ounces of gold from six mines in the western United States. The company also produces significant quantities of silver, lead and zinc. Pegasus Gold common shares are traded on the American Stock Exchange and the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol PGU. Options on the company's common shares are traded on the Chicago Board Options Exchange and the Montreal Stock Exchange.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Texas Eastern Transmission Corp. and Algonquin Gas Transmission Co., subsidiaries of Panhandle Eastern Corp. (NYSE:PEL), have filed a request with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for authorization to waive certain tariff provisions that will permit enhanced flexibility to inject into storage third-party gas purchased from sources other than Texas Eastern or Algonquin.

The request is supported by the Algonquin Customer Group, which is composed of most of Algonquin's customers.

The filing would permit Algonquin's customers to begin injecting gas purchased from third-party sources into storage under certain of Algonquin's storage rate schedules, which would increase their competitive options.

The waiver would enhance the ability of these Algonquin customers or any customers under certain Texas Eastern storage rate schedules to move gas on the Texas Eastern system by allowing the injection of third-party gas transported under any agreement pursuant to Texas Eastern's open access interruptible transportation tariff.

The companies have requested FERC grant the waiver on an expedited basis to permit the activities to start without delay.

Panhandle Eastern Corp. operates one of the nation's largest interstate natural gas pipeline systems, providing natural gas to the Midwest and Northeast markets.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Reg Murphy, publisher of the Baltimore Sun newspapers, will become chairman and be succeeded as publisher and chief executive officer by Michael J. Davies, currently editor, publisher and chief executive officer of The Hartford Courant, announced David Laventhol, president of Times Mirror.

Raymond A. Jansen Jr., The Courant's senior vice president and general manager, will become the publisher and chief executive officer of The Courant, Laventhol said. The changes are effective immediately.

''Reg Murphy has been an outstanding leader of The Baltimore Sun for the past decade, both before and after Times Mirror's acquisition of the paper

in 1986,'' Laventhol noted. ''He has been a journalistic innovator, leading the paper to two Pulitzer Prizes and record-breaking circulation gains.

''He has substantially improved business operations during his tenure at The Sun. He has also been an active leader in the community. Earlier this year, Reg indicated that he wanted to step aside, but stayed at our request to ensure a smooth transition.''

''Now we are pleased that another high calibre publisher and Times Mirror executive, Mike Davies, will continue the tradition of strong leadership of The Sun,'' Laventhol said. ''In his seven years at the helm of The Hartford Courant, Mike was an industry leader, launching a major new zoning effort last year and improving customer service at every level of the newspaper.''

''Although Mike will be missed at The Courant, we have enormous confidence in his successor, Ray Jansen, who has been at the paper since 1982," Laventhol said. "This move represents a continuity of leadership and direction for the successful Courant team.''

Davies and Jansen will report to Richard T. Schlosberg III, Times Mirror group vice president, newspapers.

Murphy will continue to represent Times Mirror on the board of directors of Newspapers First, a national advertising sales organization.

Murphy, 56, joined The Baltimore Sun in July 1981 after serving as editor and publisher of The San Francisco Examiner since 1975. From 1961 to 1975 he was with the Atlanta Constitution, joining as political reporter and editor and moving up to editor of the newspaper in 1968. Murphy began his newspaper career with The Macon Telegraph and News in Georgia in 1955.

He attended Mercer University and Harvard University and has been awarded honorary doctorates from Mercer, Utah State University, University of Maryland Baltimore County and Towson State University. The native of Gainesville, Ga., resides with his wife in Ruxton, Md.

Davies, 46, came to The Hartford Courant in 1983 from The Kansas City Star and Times, where he had been president and editor since 1978. Prior to that he spent two years as managing editor of The Courier-Journal in Louisville, Ky., and was managing editor of The Louisville Times from 1971 to 1976. His journalism career began in 1961 as a reporter for the Savannah (Georgia) Morning News.

He earned his bachelor's degree from Georgia State University and his master's in journalism from Northwestern University. Davies was born in England and moved to the United States with his family in 1957. He is

married and has two children.

Jansen, 51, joined The Courant in 1982 as vice president, advertising, following a 22-year career in advertising sales and management at Newsday, another Times Mirror newspaper. He was named vice president, marketing, in 1984, senior vice president, marketing and operations, in 1985, and has held his current position since 1986. A graduate of Syracuse University, Jansen and his wife live in Avon, Conn., and have two children.

Times Mirror (NYSE/PSE:TMC) is a Los Angeles-based media and information company which publishes the Los Angeles Times, Newsday and New York Newsday, the Baltimore Sun newspapers, The Hartford Courant, The Morning Call, The (Stamford) Advocate and Greenwich Time. The company also has interests in broadcast and cable television and book, magazine and other publishing.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - BANK ONE, Texas Thursday purchased certain assets and assumed all the deposits and certain other liabilities of Northside Bank, San Antonio as part of BANK ONE's continuing program of statewide expansion, announced Harvey R. Mitchell, chairman and chief executive officer of BANK ONE, Texas.

The bank was closed Thursday afternoon, and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) was appointed as receiver.

Northside Bank, 4011 San Pedro, will be open Friday during regular banking hours. Customers of Northside Bank may continue to use their checks and make deposits as before. All deposits were transferred intact and remain insured by the FDIC to the applicable limits. Additionally, interest rates on all exisiting certificates of deposit will remain unchanged.

''This acquisition evidences BANK ONE's continuing commitment to serve the entire San Antonio marketplace and to provide the best, most convenient service to our customers,'' Mitchell said.

Jim R. Hamilton, BANK ONE San Antonio president and chief executive officer, said: ''The Northside Bank acquisition gives BANK ONE an important presence in north central San Antonio. The full-service lobby and 10-lane drive-through facility will provide added convenience for BANK ONE's existing customers there as well as give us the opportunity to provide BANK ONE's excellent package of services to our many new customers.''

Hamilton noted that BANK ONE has expanded aggressively in San Antonio during 1990. Including the acquisition of Northside Bank, BANK ONE has increased its San Antonio offices from three at the end of 1989 to 12. With the expansion of BANK ONE ATMs into Diamond Shamrock convenience stores, BANK ONE will have a presence in 99 locations in San Antonio.

Northside Bank had deposits of $51.2 million at Aug. 31, 1990.

BANK ONE, Texas' previous acquisitions this year include Bright Banc Savings Association (Dallas); American Bank of Arlington; The Everman National Bank (Fort Worth); Trinity National Bank (Dallas); First State Federal Savings Association (San Antonio); and United Bank of Waco.

BANK ONE, Texas, NA had assets of $13.1 billion, including $2.1 billion of assets in the special collection pool, and deposits of $10.9 billion at June 30, 1990. BANK ONE, Texas has more than 110 offices statewide.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - MGM/United Artists, Pathe Entertainment and Narconon International staged a premiere of Chuck Norris' new film ''Delta Force 2'' at the Guild of America last Thursday, August 23.

The premiere, which raised over $300,000 in ticket sales and donations was held for the benefit of Narconon Chilocco New Life Center, a newly opened drug rehabilitation center situated on 167 acres of Native American sovereign land in northern Oklahoma.

Norris attended the after-premiere supper party following the screening, hosted by actress Kirstie Alley, international spokesperson for Narconon Chilocco. The party included a performance by jazz great, Chick Corea.

Concurrent with the release of ''Delta Force 2'' Norris is spearheading an organization called ''Kick Drugs out of America,'' an effort to activate the martial arts community to become involved in the anti-drug movement.

Inspired by the drama surrounding Colombian drug lord Carlos Lehder, ''Delta Force 2'' was enthusiastically received when screened last month for a group of senators and members of the House of Representatives in a continuing effort to focus attention on the anti-drug movement.

Narconon Chilocco is the newest facility in the Narconon International Network which uses the drug-free methods developed by L. Ron Hubbard. Narconon was first started in 1966 by an Arizona State penitentiary inmate and heroin addict who successfully used L. Ron Hubbard's methods to get himself and fellow inmates off drugs. In 1972 the Narconon program became available to the general public and since then hundreds of thousands of ex-users have been successfully rehabilitated.

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REDONDO BEACH, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Stephen J. Lukasik has joined TRW as vice president and chief scientist for the Space & Defense Sector.

In this newly created position, Lukasik will be responsible for advising senior management on areas of potential business development which involve a high degree of technical innovation.

Lukasik joins TRW after a distinguished career in industry and government. Since 1985 he served as corporate vice president of technology for the Northrop Corp. He joined Northrop in 1982 as vice president and manager of the Northrop Research and Technology Center.

Prior to that, he served as chief scientist for the Federal Communications Commission from 1979 to 1982 and worked for the Rand Corp. from 1977 to 1979, as senior vice president for national security programs and then as chief scientist. He also spent two years as a vice president of Xerox Corp. from 1974 to 1976.

From 1968 to 1974 Lukasik worked for the U.S. Department of Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency. He joined the agency as director for nuclear test detection and then moved up to deputy director and then director of the agency.

Earlier he worked for Stevens Institute of Technology and Westinghouse Bettis Nuclear Laboratory.

Lukasik has also served on a number of advisory panels for the Department of Defense and the Central Intelligence Agency and is the author of a number of papers on strategic and technical issues. He is a member of the board of trustees and chairman of the Educational Planning Committee for Harvey Mudd College, a member of the Engineering Advisory Council of the University of California at Berkeley, and a member of the Engineering Board of Councilors of the University of Southern California.

He also served on the board of directors of the Software Productivity Consortium and the board of trustees for the National Security Industrial Association, and currently serves on the Committee on Scientists and Engineers in Government for the national Research Council.

Lukasik received his B.S. in physics from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and his M.S. and Ph.D. in physics from the Massachussetts Institute of Technology. He is a member of Sigma Xi, Tau Beta Pi, the American Physical Society and the American Physical Society and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He has received numerous honors, including an honorary doctorate in engineering and the Ottens Research Award from Stevens Institute of Technology and the Distinguished Civilian Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster from the Secretary of Defense.

The Space & Defense Sector provides products and services for space, advanced electronics, and computer-based systems and software markets for defense, civil and international customers.

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MOORPARK, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Richard M. Drysdale, chairman of the board, announced Thursday that Jeffrey A. Wilson had been named president and chief executive officer of Terminal Data Corp. effective Sept. 17.

''Jeff Wilson is a highly skilled and proven executive who brings to TDC an extensive background in micrographics combined with a broad knowledge of the document image processing systems market. This unique background will provide TDC with outstanding leadership for the company's major businesses and in repositioning the company for the future,'' Drysdale stated.

Wilson has most recently been president of Adaptive Information Systems, a division of Hitachi, which is a leader in the electronic document image processing systems business. He was formerly the president of the records management division of Bell & Howell, and general manager of Citicorp Services Management Group.

Wilson earned his bachelor of arts degree at the University of Illinois, and received his business education at the University of Chicago.

''The board of directors of TDC believes that Jeff Wilson will provide the direction and dynamics to successfully accelerate the growth of our

company,'' Drysdale added.

Terminal Data Corp., headquartered in Moorpark, designs and manufactures document image capture devices.

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TORONTO (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Enscor Inc. Thursday announced that its board of directors has approved a write-down in the value of certain of its land holdings, resulting in a reduction of equity by 74 cents per outstanding common share.

As a result of this write-down, the company's cash flow position will be augmented by an anticipated tax recovery of $5.5 million.

The write-down of approximately $15 million of the pre-tax value of certain of the company's land holdings follows an intensive examination by management of portfolio values. Write-downs were taken where warranted on a project-by-project basis. The process was prompted by management's concerns about current and anticipated conditions in the depressed real estate market in the greater metropolitan Toronto region.

Martin Simon, president, stated, ''With this write-down I now anticipate a net book value of $1.68 per common share on Sept. 30, 1990, which will leave Enscor with a strong balance sheet highlighted by approximately $21 million of total shareholders' equity. This write-down provides Enscor with the scope to market new homes more successfully under difficult conditions.''

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REDWOOD CITY, CA (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Oracle Corporation (NASDAQ:ORCL), developer and marketer of the ORACLE(R) relational database management system, Thursday announced that for the quarter ended August 31 sales are expected to increase approximately 30 percent.

As a result, Oracle Corporation's total revenue for the last four quarters is anticipated to exceed one billion dollars.

Unfortunately, the Company had planned for a revenue growth rate of 50 percent. As a consequence of this revenue shortfall, expenses grew faster than revenues, and the Company will report its first quarterly loss in its history. Specifically, the Company expects to lose approximately $0.20 per share.

In light of anticipated first quarter results and the prevailing economic conditions which contributed to them, the Company has reduced its revenue growth rate goal from 50 percent to 25 percent for the year. The Company is in the process of completing a restructuring and cost-cutting program whereby an increase in sales of 25 percent in a quarter will yield a similar percent increase in earnings. The Company expects to be profitable in its second quarter.

The Company said final results for the quarter will be announced at its Press and Analyst Day on September 25, as originally planned. About Oracle

Oracle Corporation, headquartered in Redwood City, CA, is the world's leading supplier of database management software and services

and the third largest software and services company in the world.

The Company offers its products, along with related consulting, education and support services, in 90 countries around the world. Oracle Systems Corporation is a publicly-held corporation whose shares are traded on NASDAQ/NMS with ticker symbol ORCL.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Neiman Marcus Group Inc. (NYSE:NMG) Thursday reported the following preliminary revenues:

	4 weeks ended		
	Sept. 1, 1990(a	Sept. 2, 1989(b)	% Chg.
Total revenues	$ 124.1 million	$ 119.5 million	+3.9%
Comparable revenues	$ 117.7 million	$ 119.5 million	-1.5%

(a) Fiscal year ends Aug. 3, 1991.

(b) For comparative purposes, prior year periods have been restated to conform to current year calendar periods.

The Neiman Marcus Group is a leading specialty retailer. Its three divisions are Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman, and Contempo Casuals.

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LA JOLLA, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Cytel Corp. Thursday announced that it has merged with its wholly owned subsidiary, Glytec Inc.

Continuing operations under the Cytel name, the combined company will develop a novel class of anti-inflammatory drugs based upon recent advances made by a team of researchers from the parent firms.

In December 1989 Glytec was founded to exploit technology licensed exclusively from Yale University to the first large-scale method for synthesizing carbohydrates. Carbohydrates are biological molecules which include simple sugars the body uses for energy, as well as others that play a key role as information carriers in the body.

According to Jay D. Kranzler, M.D., Ph.D., Cytel's president and chief executive officer, the merger was a strategic response to new findings of how a special type of cell receptor triggers the migration of white blood cells to sites of infection in the body.

Known as ''cellular adhesion molecules'' -- or CAMs, the receptors normally activate the immune system to fight bacterial or viral infections. However, in arthritis and other inflammatory disorders, swelling, pain and tissue damage can result when the body's defense mechanism turns upon itself.

''As results of the research collaboration progressed rapidly, we realized the business strength of combining Cytel's technical expertise in immunology with Glytec's ability to design and synthesize carbohydrates,'' said Kranzler.

''Our decision to merge the two firms represents a further expansion of Cytel's product focus, and underscores our commitment to exploiting the central role of immune receptors as active sites for drug modulation.''

Found on the lining of blood vessels, CAMs are carbohydrate-linked proteins that are capable of binding to white blood cells, which then pass through the blood vessel wall and into areas of injury or infection.

Prior to the merger, researchers from Cytel and Glytec have been developing a prototype drug that prevents the CAM from attaching to the

white blood cell to treat unwanted inflammation characteristic of certain types of arthritis and other disorders. The work will continue at Cytel under the direction of vice president James C. Paulson, Ph.D.

Cytel Corp. was founded in 1987 to apply recent advances in immunology to the development of a new generation of drugs to modulate the immune system. Based upon key research milestones of its founders, scientists and advisers, the company was formed to exploit the central role of immune receptors in treating a wide variety of diseases.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Del Monte Foods announced Thursday that Norman S. Mackenzie has been appointed executive vice president and chief financial officer.

Mackenzie had been senior vice president and chief financial officer for the organization since February.

Mackenzie's newly created position within Del Monte Foods will include management of the company's international businesses consisting of operations in Mexico, Central America and Panama as well as the processed pineapple operation in the Philippines. Continuing to report to Mackenzie will be the business planning function, the office of the treasurer, as well as the finance and the auditing departments of Del Monte Foods.

Mackenzie, 46, is a 21-year veteran at Del Monte Foods. He has served the company in a number of domestic and international positions during his tenure. Positions held include: vice president of finance U.S.A., director of auditing, vice president of finance Philippines and Far East.

Mackenzie holds a business administration degree from UCLA and received an MBA in agriculture economics from the California State University at San Luis Obispo.

A resident of Penngrove, Calif., Mackenzie was born in Montreal, Canada and raised in Santa Barbara, Calif. He is married to Janis and they have two daughters. Norm and his family are involved in raising quarter horses and active in national quarter horse associations.

Del Monte Foods is an independent, privately held San Francisco based

company, manufacturing and marketing food and beverage products under the Del Monte brand name.

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CANTON, MA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Hills Department Stores Inc. (NYSE:HDS) today announced that total sales for the fiscal four-week period ended Sept. 1, 1990 decreased 4.5 percent to $176.3 million from $184.7 million for the corresponding period in 1989 due to a shift in a major back-to-school circular which fell in fiscal August last year and fiscal July this year.

Same store sales for fiscal August 1990 decreased 8.1 percent, also due to the shift in the promotional calendar. Total and same store sales for fiscal July and August combined increased 6.4 percent and 3.0 percent, respectively, over the corresponding period in 1989.

Sales for the fiscal thirty-week period ended Sept. 1, 1990 increased 7.3 percent to $1,086.4 million from $1,012.8 million for the corresponding period a year ago. Same store sales increased 3.9 percent during this period.

Stephen A. Goldberger, chairman and chief executive officer, commented, ''We continue to manage inventories closely, which remain below last year's levels. We believe our third quarter advertising and promotional programs, coupled with our chainwide fashion fixture enhancements, will impact positively on our fall sales. Sales results for the past several weeks have been encouraging.''

Hills reported sales in fiscal 1989 based on a 53-week year. Consequently, the ending dates for 1990 fiscal months are one calendar week later than the corresponding 1989 fiscal month ending dates. Had the company reported results based on a 52-week year, the comparable four-week period would have reflected increases of 7.9 percent for total sales and 3.8 percent on a same store basis. Results for the comparable thirty-week calendar period would have reflected increases of 5 percent and 2 percent, respectively.

Hills Department Stores Inc. is a discount store chain, operating in 14 states, with 212 locations compared with 202 stores a year ago.

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WOODLAND HILLS, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - E.N. Phillips Co. (NASDAQ:ENPQ), parent company of Testing 1 2 3 which establishes and manages health screening centers in major California shopping malls with a local medical sponsor, reports that 51.2 million of its outstanding Class A warrants have been exercised, raising approximately $640,000 to finance the continuing expansion of its mall-based health screening centers.

''Testing 1 2 3 has earned outstanding acceptance in the healthcare community and with the public,'' says Hal B. Phillips, chairman of the board of E.N. Phillips Co. ''The new capital enables us to meet the demand for adding Testing 1 2 3 centers. Each new center we are able to open speeds payback time and profitability.''

''It really is remarkable in this market,'' comments Peter Blowitz, president of Toluca Pacific Securities, market maker and investment banker for E.N. Phillips Co., ''to have the majority of the warrants exercised in such a short time. The rapid response demonstrates strong investor and broker confidence in the company's future.

''And these are long-term players. They understand the company's need for capital to open more centers to achieve a critical mass without additional underwriting.''

In 1989, E.N. Phillips Co. raised $1.5 million in a private placement which sold out in four weeks.

Currently, E.N. Phillips Co. has opened seven Testing 1 2 3 health screening centers, each sponsored by a local hospital or multispecialty medical group. Testing 1 2 3 manages the marketing and administration of the centers; each medical sponsor provides the medical professionals and equipment components for the ongoing screening program.

By year's end, a total of 15 Testing 1 2 3 centers are projected to be open, in construction or under contract. Each center is located in a permanent storefront site within a major regional shopping mall in California.

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JOPPA, MD (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Merry-Go-Round Enterprises, Inc. (MGR/NYSE) today announced that sales for the four-week period ending September 1, 1990 increased 33% to $62.6 million from $46.9 million in the corresponding period in August 1989.

Same store sales for August 1990 on a comparable day-to-day basis increased 20%.

Sales for the thirty week period ending September 1, 1990 increased approximately 46% to $308.4 million from $211.1 million in the corresponding period a year ago.

Michael D. Sullivan, President and Chief Executive Officer, commented, ''We are delighted with our strong sales performance in August despite a difficult economic and retail environment and tough sales comparisons from a year ago.''

Same store sales for August 1989 had increased 30%.

Merry-Go-Round Enterprises, Inc., is a leading specialty clothing chain selling contemporary fashions for young men and women in over 630 retail stores in 37 states.

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LAS VEGAS, NV (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - United Gaming Inc. (NASDAQ:UGAM) Thursday announced results for the 1990 fiscal year and fourth quarter ended June 30.

The company also announced senior level management changes and significant reductions in general and administrative expenses.

For the 1990 fiscal year, revenues rose 27 percent to $90,205,000, from $65,389,000 in 1989, while earnings were $3,895,000 compared with $5,779,000 for the 12 months ended June 30, 1989.

Primary earnings per common and common equivalent share for 1990 were 45 cents, compared with 70 cents for 1989, based on weighted average number of shares outstanding of 8,594,000 and 8,312,000 for the 1990 and 1989 periods, respectively.

Revenues for the fourth quarter increased 30 percent to $25,894,000, from $18,010,000 in 1989. Net income was $72,000, compared with $1,449,000 during the like period of 1989. Primary earnings per common and common equivalent shares for the fourth quarter were 1 cent, compared with 17 cents for the fourth quarter 1989, based on weighted average number of shares outstanding of 8,999,000 and 8,431,000 for the 1990 and 1989 periods, respectively.

Since the end of fiscal 1990 a number of unanticipated events occurred. As a result of those events, the company recognized charges of $1,665,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990:

-- In late August, the developer of the Double Eagle hotel casino informed the company he was unable to secure financing to complete the project. The company decided to abandon the Double Eagle project resulting in a charge of $630,000.

-- In August a customer, to whom the company had made loans, unexpectedly announced that it was ceasing operations and was placed in involuntary bankruptcy resulting in a charge of $667,000.

-- Due to general market conditions, the company in August decided not to pursue a planned public financing and accordingly expensed all fiscal 1990 charges of $368,000.

-- Carole A. Carter has been promoted to president and chief operating officer. Carter most recently served as vice president - administration at the company.

-- John W. Alderfer, formerly chief financial officer of The Bicycle Club (world's largest card casino with revenues of $90 million), has been selected to serve as the vice president - finance and chief financial officer.

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CUPERTINO, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Meeting customer demand for higher performance systems at lower prices, Apple Computer, Inc.'s USA Division announced price reductions of up to 20 percent on all models of its hig performance Macintosh IIci personal computer.

The Macintosh IIci derives its high performance from a 25MHz Motorola 68030 microprocessor/68882 math coprocessor combination. It features the same flexible compact design and three industry-standard NuBus expansion slots of the Macintosh IIcx. However, the Macintosh IIci goes beyond the IIcx by adding built-in monitor support for a broad range of monitors as well as an optional high speed cache.

''We offered a special promotion on the IIci to dealers two months ago, since then we've seen sales of the IIci take off,'' said Bob Puette, president of Apple USA. ''Our customers tell us they appreciate the high level of performance and expansion options of the IIci.''

Since it was announced in September, 1989, the Macintosh IIci has met with widespread acceptance. It has also been popular with customers that want an A/UX, Apple's version of UNIX, system. The IIci incorporated for the first time full 32-bit architecture, built-in 32-bit color support and integrated video support -- all significance advancements in the Macintosh II architecture.

To further offer customers more expansion options, Apple began shipping an optional cache card last month. The small card lets users increase the performance of the IIci by up to 30 percent. The card consists of 32KB of 25-nanosecond static RAM and sells for a suggested retail price of $399.

The IIci is the right combination of price and performance for customers. Its high performance characteristics are especially suited to financial analysis, graphic design, desktop publishing or for anyone who desires a more responsive system.

Prices and configurations, effective immediately through Apple authorized resellers throughout the United States, are as follows:

System Configuration	Old Price	New Price	Change 4MB
RAM/SuperDrive floppy	$7,469	$5,969	-$1,500 4MB
RAM/80MB Hard Disk	$8,169	$6,669	-$1,500 4MB
RAM/80MB Hard Disk (Parity)	$8,669	$7,169	-$1,500 4MB
RAM/80MB Hard Disk (A/UX)	$8,769	$7,269	-$1,500

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Gap Inc. Thursday reported sales of $166 million for the four-week period ended Sept. 1, an increase of 24 percent over sales of $134 million for the comparable period ended Sept. 2, 1989.

The company's comparable store sales increased 14 percent in August 1990 compared to an increase of 15 percent a year ago.

Sales of $973 million for the 30 weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990, represent an increase of 26 percent over sales of $775 million for the like period of 1989. Year-to-date comparable store sales increased 18 percent compared to a 16 percent increase in the first seven months of 1989.

As of Sept. 1, 1990, The Gap Inc. operated 1,047 stores compared to 952 at Sept. 2, 1989, an increase of 10 percent.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Enzo Biochem Inc. (AMEX:ENZ) Thursday announced that the company repurchased $3,570,000 aggregate principal amount of its 9 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures due March 15, 2001 for $1,931,750 in the fiscal fourth quarter, resulting in an extraordinary gain of $1,638,250.

Herbert B. Bass, vice president - finance explained, ''The prevailing price levels of the bonds presented an excellent opportunity for Enzo to retire a portion of our debt and experience a significant extraordinary gain. This extraordinary gain will be reflected in the company's fiscal fourth quarter ended July 31, 1990.''

The debentures retired were part of the $35 million debentures originally issued and delivered on March 24, 1986. Enzo had previously repurchased $1.5 million of these debentures in October of 1987.

Enzo Biochem Inc. is an established New York City-based biotechnology company engaged both in the research, development and manufacture of innovative health care products based on molecular biology and genetic engineering techniques and in providing diagnostic services to the medical community.

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PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Hallwood Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: HWDI) Thursday announced the closing of the sale of its retail division to Retail Acquisition Corp. ("RAC"). The sale was approved by the company's shareholders on June 28, 1990.

The division's 55 stores were formerly operated as "Heck's" and "Take 10" discount stores. The stores have been operated by RAC under a management agreement pending this closing, and RAC has changed the stores' name to "L.A. Joe Department Store."

Hallwood Industries' remaining business consists of an automotive parts distributor, Steel City Products, based in Pittsburgh.

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CHATSWORTH, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Datametrics Corp. (ASE:DC) Thursday reported profitable results for the third quarter and the nine months ended July 29.

For the third quarter of fiscal 1990, net income was $47,522 on revenues of $6,503,344 in contrast to a loss of $278,906 on revenues of $8,275,937 in fiscal 1989. For the nine-month period, net income amounted to $367,845 on revenues of $20,551,870 vs. a loss of $2,131,573 on revenues of $21,277,659 a year ago.

Sidney E. Wing, president and chief executive officer, attributed the company's profitability to reduced operating costs, better inventory controls and management of working capital, as well as lower interest expenses due to the continuing reduction of debt.

He said revenues were down from last year because of delays in anticipated contracts resulting from the current uncertainties as to the defense budget. He noted, however, that the company had recently been awarded four major contracts approximating $6 million.

Wing said: ''We are extremely pleased that despite lower revenues,

Datametrics was able to sustain its turnaround from fiscal 1989's losses for the third quarter in a row. We are now structured for continued profitability, reflecting the cost-containment measures implemented over the past year.''

Datametrics Corp. is a 28-year-old producer of computer peripherals for aerospace, defense and industrial markets.

The company's products include mil-spec and ruggedized high-speed, non-impact printers, printer/plotters, teleprinters, high-density cartridge tape recorders, facsimile products and keyboards, all of which meet stringent requirements for operating under extreme variations in temperature, moisture, radiation, vibration and shock.

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Truck and bus drivers, airline pilots, or anyone suspected of drinking can now be quickly and easily screened for alcohol by non-medical persons with the aid of On-Site ALCOHOL, a low-cost disposable test kit developed by TLI.

The On-Site test is both accurate and simple to use. With samples of saliva, urine, serum or other liquids, the credit card-sized device will indicate the presence of alcohol in three minutes or less.

According to TLI President and Chief Executive Officer Michael O'Donnell, Ph.D., ''The On-Site testing kit was developed to meet the need for quick and easy alcohol screening with immediate results. Every day there are thousands of opportunities in this country to prevent accidental death or injury through the use of a simple, on-the-spot, yes-or-no alcohol-screening procedure.''

Dr. O'Donnell noted that the On-Site test will return a positive indication if the sample tested contains .02 percent blood alcohol or higher and the subject may be referred to a laboratory test for a quantitative assessment of alcohol level. The legal definition of intoxication in the United States ranges from .05 percent to .1 percent.

Each On-Site test is completely self-contained in a foil packet and the procedure can be carried out anywhere. Individual packets contain a disposable alcohol test card, saliva swab, tranfer pipette and reagent

ampule, plus an instruction/detection guide.

In use, the detection reagent ampule is opened and a drop is placed in the reagent well. If testing saliva, the subject is asked to saturate the swab for about 30 seconds; the swab is then placed in the specimen well on the test card.

In three minutes if the reagent well is entirely yellow, the results are negative; if there is a green-to-blue spot surrounded by yellow, the results are positive, showing a .02-percent or higher alcohol level.

Dr. O'Donnell stated that many agencies and organizations are ideal candidates for On-Site ALCOHOL test kits, including airlines, trucking and taxi companies, probation and parole offices, schools, public transit systems, air-traffic-control operations and industries where employees operate dangerous or complicated machinery.

On-Site ALCOHOL tests are priced at $2.20 each and are packaged in kits of 50 units. They have a one-year shelf life at room temperatures.

TLI, a privately held corporation founded in 1976, is a leading innovator and provider of toxicology products, information, services and procedures. Headquarters are located at 2 Goodyear, Irvine, Calif. 92718. Telephone: 714/770-9381 or 800/854-0277; FAX: 714/770-0863.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Virco Manufacturing Corp. (ASE:VIR) have declared a 10 percent stock dividend, payable Oct. 1, to shareowners of record Sept. 10, the company announced Thursday.

It is the ninth consecutive annual 10 percent stock dividend paid by Virco.

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Al Cline, 213/377-5705

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AKRON, OH (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.

announced Thursday that it expects to record third quarter charges totaling approximately $63 million, $51 million after tax.

The charges consist of approximately $43 million of restructuring costs and approximately $20 million of environmental cleanup costs associated with operations discontinued in 1986.

The restructuring charges relate to costs associated with the realignment of European tire marketing, distribution and production support operations which will eliminate approximately 1,180 jobs by mid-1992; the phase-out of medium and heavy truck tire production at the Valleyfield, Quebec, plant; the rationalization of certain associated production operations in North America; and other employee reductions at overseas locations.

Chairman Tom H. Barrett said, ''The company's restructuring activities in 1990, together with continuing cost containment measures, are designed to improve the cost effectiveness of the company's North American and European operations while improving service to our customers.

''These measures are designed to strengthen our core businesses as we continue our focus on improving production efficiencies and the development of high quality products which meet the needs of our customers '' Barrett said.

Due to continued competitive pressures in the tire industry, reduced original equipment market demand in North America and Europe, and the previously described unusual items, the company expects to report a net loss of approximately $65 million for the third quarter of 1990.

The competitive and market conditions experienced in the third quarter are expected to continue during the fourth quarter. A general economic downturn is likely for late 1990 and into 1991, with the prospect of the Mideast crisis resulting in increased raw material costs and other adverse market conditions. In light of current and anticipated market conditions the company presently expects that its 1990 fourth quarter net income will approximate the $14.7 million net income recorded in the 1989 fourth quarter.

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Walt McClenny, 216/796-2490

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC) Thursday announced that the Office of Thrift Supervision had requested a capital infusion into Carteret Savings Bank in the amount of $30 million which is the company's remaining obligation under the Regulatory Capital

Maintenance/Dividend Agreement.

As a condition of its acquisition of Carteret in 1988, AmBase agreed to infuse up to $50 million. Under the terms of the agreement, the $30 million infusion would be required at Dec. 31, 1990. The company contributed $20 million under the agreement in December of 1989.

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Paul Robitaille, 212/530-7383.

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GOLETA, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Ben J. Newitt, vice chairman and chief executive officer of Applied Magnetics Corp. (NYSE:APM), Thursday announced that on Oct. 1 he will commence his retirement after 45 years in the industry, of which 30 years have been with Applied Magnetics.

Newitt is retiring as chief executive officer but will remain as vice chairman and a member of the board of directors.

William R. Anderson, president, has been elected by the board of directors to the position of chief executive officer and will assume these additional duties and responsibilities on Oct. 1. Anderson has been with Applied Magnetics over 25 years and will also continue as a member of the board of directors.

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Ben J. Newitt, 805/683-5353.

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Frank H. Crerie, chairman of the board of Stan West Mining Corp. (OTC:SWMC), Thursday announced that the company has acquired First International Acceptance Corp., an Irvine, Calif.-based development stage company, which plans to enter the automotive finance industry upon completion of its first phase of financing for $5 million.

Crerie said, ''We are excited about First International's unique concept of financing and the ability to utilize our public company in their plans.''

The combination provides for the issuance of the company's preferred stock to the former owner of First International. The preferred stock will represent 80 percent voting control of the company.

Crerie has resigned as chairman of the company but will continue to serve as a consultant. Graham R. Jones has been appointed chairman and Steven E. Hively has been appointed chief financial officer of the company.

Jones announced that a special shareholders meeting will be called to change the name of the company to FIAC Inc. and to authorize the reverse split of the company's common stock.

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Debbie Eden, 602/483-8000.

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CARSON, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Malcolm Candlish, chairman and CEO of Cleveland based Sealy Inc. Thursday announced the appointment of Christopher H. Binkley as president of Sealy's Advanced Sleep Products subsidiary.

Binkley, 44, joins Advanced Sleep Products from Avery International where he served as director of marketing of the K&M Division and previously as director of marketing for Avery's Commercial Products Division.

Prior to his six year tenure at Avery, Binkley held various marketing positions at Van De Kamp's Frozen Foods and The Pillsbury Co.

Binkley earned a bachelors degree at Northwestern University and a Master of Science Degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Sloan School of Management.

Candlish stated, ''Sealy's company-wide emphasis on and financial commitment to marketing discipline will be refocused at Advanced Sleep under Chris Binkley's leadership.

''Chris's extensive marketing background and successful track record are ideal qualifications to lead the subsidiary in addressing an increasingly competitive marketplace.

''We are confident of Chris's ability to successfully apply his 19-year consumer product marketing experience to furthering Advanced Sleep's competitive position.

''An additional challenge and opportunity for Chris will be to oversee the sales and marketing of Sealy's soft-sided flotation sleep products, which were recently placed under the direction of our Advanced Sleep Products subsidiary. The soft-sided bedding market is a particularly exciting and fast growing segment of the waterbed industry.''

Through various subsidiaries, Sealy Corp. produces the complete Sealy line of mattresses including the world famous Posturepedic. Other operations include: The Stearns & Foster Bedding Co., one of the oldest and largest premium-brand bedding manufacturers in the country; Advanced Sleep Products, a leading manufacturer and distributor of waterbeds; Woodstuff Manufacturing Inc., a manufacturer of waterbed furniture; and the Sealy Furniture Co. and the Stearns & Foster Upholstery Furniture Co., manufacturers of convertible sofas.

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John P. Kehoe or David C. Collins, 212/888-1616.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Millicom Inc. (NASDAQ:MILL) announced Thursday that a joint venture, in which its subsidiary, Millicom International Holdings Limited participates as a shareholder, has been awarded a license to provide cellular telephone service in Bolivia.

Millicom's partners in the venture include Comvik International AB, a Swedish telecommunications concern, as well as Bolivian partners. Initially, Millicom will retain a 46 percent interest in the operation, Comvik 23 percent and the remaining 31 percent will be held by the Bolivian partners.

J. Shelby Bryan, chairman and chief executive officer of Millicom Inc., stated, ''Millicom's license award in Bolivia will enable us to provide high quality telephone service to businesses and consumers.

''With additional licenses held in Chile, Costa Rica, Guatemala, and Mexico, this license further consolidates our position as the leading cellular network operator in these regions. It also presents us with the opportunity to provide international roaming capabilities to our customers in each of the Central and South American countries in which we hold licenses.''

The license was granted to Millicom by a presidential decree after the consortium won a tender issued by the Directorate General of Telecommunications. Currently, this is the only cellular telephone license that has been granted by the Bolivian government to serve its 8 million people.

The system will initially serve Bolivia's major metropolitan areas

including La Paz, Cochabamba, and Santa Cruz. Service in these cities is expected to commence in the second quarter of 1991. The AMPS cellular system will operate in the 800 Mhz range.

Millicom Inc. is a diversified international communications company with primary interests in cellular telephone systems, alphanumeric paging systems and satellite television.

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SALT LAKE CITY, UT (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Gull Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ: GULL), a leading manufacturer and marketer of high-quality diagnostic test kits for the detection of infectious diseases, Thursday announced results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30. While net income declined, revenues increased 26 percent for the quarter and 23 percent for the six-month period.

For the quarter just ended, the company reported a net loss of $47,000, or less than one cent per share, on revenues of $1.5 million compared to net income of $207,000 or four cents per share, on revenues of $1.2 million for the like period a year ago.

For the six-month period, net income reached $23,000, or less than one cent per share, on revenues of $2.8 million, compared to net income of $403,000, or eight cents per share, on revenues of $2.2 million last year.

Dr. Myron Wentz, president and chairman of the board, stated that a strategic decision was made to position Gull for more rapid growth than is available in infectious disease diagnostics.

"While sales continue to grow and are at an all-time high," Wentz said, "we invested significantly in the expansion of our diagnostics division and in the establishment of two new divisions. We believe these investments will strengthen our present position in diagnostics and the new divisions will allow us to compete in larger markets."

Gull Laboratories Inc. remains in a strong cash and liquid asset position. At June 30, current assets exceeded current liabilities by 3.7 to 1. The company also has a $1 million revolving line of credit providing a positive liquidity position.

Gull Laboratories Inc. develops, manufactures and markets high quality diagnostic test kits for the detection of infectious diseases. The company

markets these products for use in hospitals and clinical laboratories around the world.

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BENTONVILLE, AK (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Wal-Mart Stores Inc. (NYSE/PSE:WMT), Thursday reported net retail sales for the month of August of $2,741,000,000, an increase of 30 percent from sales of $2,116,000,000 in the like period a year earlier.

For the seven months ended Aug. 31, sales increased 26 percent to $17,053,000,000 from $13,535,000,000 for the like period a year ago.

Same store sales increased 13 percent for the month of August and 11 percent for the seven months ended Aug. 31.

The company had 1,463 Wal-Mart stores (includes five Supercenter stores), 132 Sam's Wholesale clubs, and four Hypermart USA units in operation at Aug. 31, compared with 1,325 Wal-Mart stores (includes three Supercenter stores), 110 Sam's Wholesale clubs, 14 dot Discount Drug stores and three Hypermart USA units a year ago.

Wal-Mart operates in a 32-state trade area, and its securities are listed on the New York and Pacific stock exchanges.

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Paul Carter, 501/273-4184

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WARSAW, IND. (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Biomet Inc. (NASDAQ:BMET) Thursday reported record sales and earnings for its first fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

($000's Except Per Share Data)

	First Quarter Ended Aug. 31:		
	1990	1989	Pct Change
Net sales	$46,110	$37,758	22 pct
Gross profit	31,780	25,887	23 pct
Income from operations	12,004	9,089	32 pct
Net income	8,796	6,514	35 pct
Earnings per share	32 cents	24 cents	33 pct

Biomet's sales and earnings increases for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 were primarily attributable to continued market penetration of the company's reconstructive and electrical stimulation devices.

Biomet Inc. and its subsidiaries design, manufacture and market products used primarily by orthopedic medical specialists in both surgical and non-surgical therapy, including reconstructive and trauma devices, electrical bone growth and neuromuscular stimulators, orthopedic support devices, operating room supplies and powered surgical instruments.

Biomet and its subsidiaries currently operate manufacturing and/or office facilities in Warsaw and Indianapolis; Parsippany, N.J.; Guaynabo, Puerto Rico; Bridgend, South Wales; and Swindon, England. The company currently distributes its products in approximately 100 countries.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Superior Propane Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Norcen Energy Resources Ltd., announced Thursday that its acquisition of Skelgas Group Inc., a major U.S. propane marketer, has now been completed.

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WILLOW GROVE, PA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Hope Technologies Inc. (OTC)(Philadelphia Stock Exchange: HPE X; HPEU X; HPEWB X) Thursday announced that on Aug. 30, a Post Effective Amendment to its Registration Statement relating to 14 million shares of its Class B Common Stock, issuable upon exercise of outstanding Warrants, was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

As a result, upon receipt of a Prospectus, warrantholders may now exercise their right to purchase Class B Common Stock at an exercise price of 25 cents per share.

The Warrants are exercisable through Dec. 30, 1990, unless earlier called.

Copies of the Prospectus can be obtained by writing or calling Diana Viglianese, manager of corporate affairs, Hope Technologies Inc.,

215/657-5500, 3701 Moreland Road, Willow Grove, Pa., 19090.

Hope Technologies Inc., invents, designs, manufactures and sells professional image processing systems. It distributes its products through a worldwide network of dealers and has distribution agreements with original equipment manufacturers (OEM). In addition, the company is developing a rechargeable solid state lithium battery.

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CARROLLTON, TX (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Optek Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: OPTX) announced Thursday a net loss for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 ended July 27, 1990 of $848,000, or $.27 per share, compared to net earnings of $415,000, or $.11 per share, for last year's third quarter. Revenues were $14,421,000 versus $14,580,000 a year ago.

Jim Crownover, president, explained that adjustment of the pace of manufacturing and level of inventories to better reflect current bookings lead to an under absorption of fixed costs and a corresponding reduction of gross margin for the quarter.

"The company generated cash during the quarter despite the reported loss and reduced its loan balance by $500,000," Crownover said. He noted that new order bookings were $13,865,000 for the period compared to $13,380,000 for last year's third quarter.

Crownover added that he is "extremely encouraged" that new orders at Optek's Opcom subsidiary, which manfactures fiber optic local area network (LAN) equipment, rose to $2.3 million for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 from $0.3 million for the same period of last year.

For the nine months ended July 27, 1990, the net loss was $2,332,000, or $.73 per share, on net sales of $39,685,000. For the first nine months of fiscal 1989, net earnings were $1,299,000, or $.35 per share, on revenues of $43,796,000.

Founded in 1979, Optek Technology Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets its optoelectronic components and fiber optic local area network equipment both domestically and internationally. The company markets these products to the aerospace, office equipment, computer, electronics, and communications industries.

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BASKING RIDGE, NJ (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Thursday announced it has signed a contract to provide long-distance service to more than 62,800 room phones and public pay phones at Motel 6 locations nationwide.

AT&T currently provides long-distance service for public telephones at 13 of the 15 largest hotel and motel chains in the country.

The Motel 6 contract, a renewal, is valued at approximately $45 million in revenues to AT&T for three years. AT&T also provides phone systems, business long- distance services and networked computers to the motel chain.

''We wanted Motel 6 guests to enjoy the convenience, value and quality of AT&T long-distance services,'' said Joseph McCarthy, president, Motel 6.

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or
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PRINCETON, NJ (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., the nation's largest insurer in total life insurance, and Prime Financial Partners, L.P. (AMEX: PFP), a financial services company which offers employee benefit plans for small corporations, announced Thursday a joint marketing agreement.

Metropolitan Life and affiliated companies will offer a wide range of life insurance products as funding vehicles for the Prime Financial Benefit Trust. The plans will be made available through MetLife Brokerage, MetLife's life insurance brokerage arm. The Prime Trust is an employee benefit plan which provides death and severance benefits to employees funded on a tax deductible basis to the corporate employer.

Additional benefits of the plan include protection of assets from creditors, flexible funding options, liquidity, estate tax-free benefits and the security of MetLife guaranteed values.

The Prime Trust has been offered since 1988, and has over 500 employer participants and $60 million of assets. The MetLife family of companies manages over $128.4 billion of assets, and has received the highest ratings

from A.M. Best, Standard and Poor's, and Moody's Investors Service.

J. Craig Sullivan, J.D., MetLife Brokerage Advanced Marketing director who is the program coordinator observed that "Metropolitan's strength, retention, and integrity will add a whole new dimension to this powerful employee benefit concept."

CONTACT: Prime Financial Partners L.P., Scottsdale, Ariz. Daniel A. Norman, (602) 941-4141.

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COLUMBUS, OH (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated Stores Corp. (NYSE:CNS) Thursday reported that for the seventh fiscal month ended Sept. 1, 1990, retail sales totaled $52.0 million, up 31.6 percent from $39.5 million a year earlier.

Consolidated Stores also reported that sales for comparable stores open at least two years rose 27.8 percent in August.

Retail sales for the seven months of fiscal 1990 were $342.3 million, up 15.6 percent from $296.2 million a year earlier. Comparable sales for the seven months were up 10.1 percent.

William G. Kelley, chairman and chief executive officer stated, ''Comparable stores sales have been trending up steadily from 10.6 percent in April to 18.6 percent in July, and now 27.8 percent in August.

''August sales were particularly strong because of our customer's enthusiastic response to a close-out buy of merchandise from a national drug store chain.

''Our company has been repositioned back to the close-out specialty retail business and we are delighted that so many customers have rediscovered us.''

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RYE, NY (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Melville Corp., a specialty retailer of apparel, prescription drugs, health and beauty aids, footwear, toys, and household furnishings, Thursday reported retail store sales for the fiscal month and eight month periods ended Sept. 1, 1990 and the comparable periods last year.

Retail store sales for the four weeks ended Sept. 1 were $674,188,000 an increase of 8.4 percent over sales of $621,913,000 for the four week period last year.

Retail store sales for the eight month period ended Sept. 1 increased 10.8 percent to $4,929,497,000 compared to $4,448,558,000 for the comparable period last year.

The reported August sales include the sales of Circus World Toy Stores which were acquired on August 17. Circus World Toy Stores are operating as part of the Kay-Bee Toy Chain. As of Sept. 1, 1990 there were 7,299 stores and leased departments in operation, an increase of 6.5 percent from the 1989 total of 6,852.

Melville specialty retail chains, with stores located across the country, include Marshalls, the off-price brand name apparel chain; Chess King, the young men's apparel chain; Wilsons, in leather apparel; Bob's, the casual family apparel and footwear chain; Accessory Lady, the quality fashion accessory stores; CVS, the prescription drugs, health and beauty aids chain; Freddy's, the "deep discount" drug and sundries stores; Thom McAn, Fan Club and the Meldisco Leased Department division in footwear; the Kay-Bee toy chain; Linens 'N Things, the brand name linens and domestics chain; This End Up, the casual furniture stores; and Prints Plus, the prints and wall decor stores.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Tiffany & Co. (NYSE: TIF) will establish a store in Toronto, Canada, it was announced Thursday by William R. Chaney, chairman.

The Toronto store represents the next step in Tiffany's ongoing international expansion program. Tiffany has leased a three-story 13,000 square foot building located at 85 Bloor Street West and expects to open its store there in the fall of 1991.

Chaney said, "We are very pleased that Tiffany will be entering Toronto, especially in such a prestigious location. This represents Tiffany's first retail store in Canada and its largest international store."

"Toronto is a major cosmopolitan market with a significant population of affulent consumers who seek the finest luxury product offerings and exceptional customer service. This new store offers considerable sales opportunities and is a natural evolution of Tiffany's key global strategy

to aggressively pursue expansion around the world," Chaney added.

Tiffany is an internationally renowned retailer with locations in the United States, Europe, and the Far East. The company's merchandise offerings include an extenisve selection of fine jewelry, sterling silverware, china, crystal, watches, clocks, stationery, leather goods, scarves, and fragrances.

In addition to its flagship New York store, Tiffany operates retail stores in Atlanta, Beverly Hills, Boston, Chicago, Costa Mesa, Dallas, Houston, San Francisco, and the Washington, D.C. area. Exclusive Tiffany merchandise is also offered through a select group of prestigious jewelers and specialty retailers in other cities.

Direct marketing is carried out through the corporate division and the Tiffany Selections catalog. International retail sales are made through Mitsukoshi department stores and a wholesale distributor in Japan, the Tiffany stores in London, Munich, Zurich, and Hong Kong, and through Faraone stores in Milan and Florence.

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EAST HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Foshing Airlines of Taiwan announced its order Thursday for two Airbus A320 airliners, each to be powered by two International Aero Engines V2500 turbofans.

These aircraft will be delivered in 1992 and will increase the rapidly growing fleet of V2500 powered equipment in the Asia/Pacific region.

These engines, worth about $30 million dollars, further increase the market share for the V2500 on the Airbus A320/A321 to over 70 percent since January 1990.

Of great importance to Foshing in the selection on the V2500 was IAE's proven ability to provide product support both before and after the engines enter service.

Sal Curvino, vice president of IAE Product Support, commented ''Our support team will be working closely with our counterparts at Foshing to ensure that the V2500 is smoothly introduced into revenue service. We at IAE are very pleased to be part of the Foshing family and their growth plans in this very important part of the world.''

The V2500 is also available on the A321 and the MD-90 family of aircraft.

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OWINGS MILLS, MD (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - UNIVERSAL SECURITY INSTRUMENTS INC. (NASDAQ Symbol: USEC) Thursday announced results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

The results were delayed as a result of a fire which destroyed the Company's headquarters on March 28, 1990.

Sales for the fourth quarter ended March 31, 1990, were $3,802,260 as compared to $6,154,818 for the same quarter last year. The material decline in fourth quarter sales was a result of the fire. The Company reported a net loss for the three months ended March 31, 1990 of $374,377, or $0.11 per share, as compared to a loss of $381,262 or $0.11 per share, for the comparable fourth quarter last year. Included in the Company's fiscal 1990 fourth quarter results was an extraordinary gain of $179,945, or $0.05 per share, from a partial settlement of its fire insurance claim.

For the year ended March 31, 1990, sales were $21,611,908 as compared to $23,548,550 for the prior fiscal year. For fiscal 1990, the Company reported net income of $118,199, or $0.03 per share, as compared to a net loss of $595,128 or $0.17 per share for fiscal 1989. Fiscal 1990 year-end results include an extraordinary gain of $795,664, or $0.23 per share, resulting from a real estate sale and the partial insurance settlement.

The Company stated that it has settled with its insurance carrier for loss of its building and believes that claims for its inventory, machinery and equipment and business interruption will be settled during the next several months. UNIVERSAL SECURITY INSTRUMENTS believes that the ultimate settlement of all of its insurance claims will have a favorable impact on its financial statements, however the Company is currently unable to estimate the full effect of these claims on its balance sheet and income statement.

In a separate announcement, the Company stated today that its Board of Directors has approved the extension of the expiration of the 715,000 outstanding common stock purchase warrants (NASDAQ Symbol: USECW) for ten months from November 15, 1990 to September 16, 1991. The Company said it would take such action as may be necessary including appropriate filings

with the Securities & Exchange Commission and State regulatory agencies to effect the extension. Each common stock purchase warrant permits the holder to purchase one share of the Company's common stock at an exercise price of $6.25 and is redeemable at a price of $12.50 per warrant.

UNIVERSAL SECURITY INSTRUMENTS, INC. designs, manufactures and markets video, telecommunications, and security products.

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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Telecom (NYSE:NT) and its Austrian PBX licensee Kapsch AG have donated a $70,000 Meridian SL-1 system to provide state-of-the-art communications services to East Europe's first Regional Environment Center (REC), opened Thursday in Hungary.

The Meridian SL-1 PBX will handle both voice and data communications, with access to the public X25 network, for the REC which is housed in a 200-year-old converted Silk Mill in Budapest. Advanced features such as the Meridian Mail voice messaging systems are also being installed for the benefit of the 15 REC employees and their clients across Eastern and Central Europe.

The REC was proposed by President Bush and founded by an international consortium including the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the European Community and the Austrian and Hungarian Governments.

The center is an independent, non-profit organization that supports initiatives to tackle the natural resource and environmental problems that could threaten prospects for sustained economic growth in the newly emerging democracies of the region.

''Reliable and efficient communications will be of vital importance to the REC if it is to succeed in its task which is crucial to the political and economic development of Central and Eastern Europe,'' said Margaret Kerr, Northern Telecom's vice president, environment, health & safety, and vice chairman of the board of the World Environment Center based in New York.

Northern Telecom is recognized by the United States EPA and Environment Canada as an Industry leader in CFC elimination in the North America electronics industry. The company has committed to eliminate ozone

depleting CFCs (chloroflurocarbon compounds) from its worldwide manufacturing operations by the end of 1991.

Kapsch AG is the licensed vendor of Northern Telecom's Meridian 1 range of PBX products in Austria. The company is also one of Northern Telecom's partners in the Hungarian telecommunications joint venture, BHG-teleCOM, based in Budapest.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs over 49,000 people around the world.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Trimin Resources Inc. wishes to report that the annual general meeting of the company's shareholders originally scheduled to be held at 2:00 p.m., Aug. 31, at 2500 - 1055 Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver, British Columbia has been adjourned to 2:00 p.m., on Oct. 15 at 2500 - 1055 Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver, British Columbia.

The adjournment was made pursuant to a court order issued by the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

The court order was issued in light of the fact that Trimin's notice of the company's annual general meeting and its related information circular, proxy and supplementary mailing card had been delivered late to certain unregistered shareholders of the company by one of the mailing intermediaries and that there is therefore some concern that some of Trimin's shareholders did not have adequate notice of the meeting.

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BURLINGTON, MA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Symbolics Inc. (NASDAQ:SMBX), Thursday announced a net profit for its quarter ending June 30, 1990 of $115,000, or less than $.01 per share, compared with a profit of $533,000 or $.02 per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Revenues for the quarter were $12,481,000, compared with revenues of $11,333,000 for the previous quarter. The Company also reported a net loss for fiscal 1990 of $6,177,000 or $.22 per share, compared with a profit of $1,781,000 or $.06 per share for fiscal 1989.

Revenues for the fiscal year were $53,538,000, compared with revenues of $67,237,000 for the previous fiscal year.

The company also stated that on Aug. 30, 1990, it had completed an agreement with a Japanese consortium led by Nichimen Corp. for a five year exclusive license in Japan of manufacturing and distribution rights to Symbolics' Ivory-based software and hardware products. The aggregate cash proceeds to Symbolics from the license and related transactions was $3.9 million.

Jay Wurts, Symbolics' chairman, chief executive officer, and president, stated, ''Improved results in our fourth fiscal quarter, due primarily to shipments of both our new high performance workstation and our graphics products and to the effect of ongoing cost reduction programs, contributed to our return to profitability in the fourth quarter.

''In light of increasing competition within our workstation market, the need for continued investment in our graphics business, uncertain economic conditions and decreased customer capital spending, we continue to seek outside financing, such as our recent transaction with Nichimen Corporation, to ensure we have sufficient working capital to complete our strategic plans.''

Symbolics Inc., headquartered in Burlington, Mass., is the leading provider of symbolic processing hardware and software used in sophisticated applications, including interactive scheduling and planning, hypertext-based publishing, computer-aided mathematical computing and HDTV-based graphics imaging and processing.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Vencor Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: VCOR) Thursday announced that it has filed a Registration Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to the offering of 2,000,000 shares of common stock. The company plans to offer 1,850,000 shares in the

offering, and the balance of 150,000 shares are to be offered by selling shareholders.

Vencor said that the company's net proceeds from the offering will be used to reduce outstanding indebtedness, to purchase and convert additional hospital facilities and for general corporate purposes.

Managing underwriters for the offering are Hambrecht & Quist Inc.; Prudential-Bache Capital Funding; Robertson, Stephens & Co. and J.C. Bradford & Co.

Vencor completed its initial public offering through the sale of 1,700,000 shares of common stock in September 1989. The company specializes in providing long-term hospital care for patients who suffer from catastrophic illness. Vencor has 10 hospitals located in Arizona, Colorado Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana and Texas.

A Registration Statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the Registration Statement becomes effective.

This shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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SHAWNEE, OK (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Barton Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:BART) has announced that a wholly owned subsidiary of Barton, Barton Fiber Systems Inc., and a wholly owned subsidiary of The Southern Co., Southern Co. Services Inc., acting on its own behalf and as agent for other Southern subsidiaries, Alabama Power Co., Georgia Power Co., Gulf Power Co., Mississippi Power Co. and Savannah Electric & Power Co., have entered into a contract for the grant to Barton Fiber Systems of rights to construct and install a fiber optic transmission cable and related facilities, along selected routes on the Southern electric system.

The engineering and installation will be performed by the Southern electric system with Barton Fiber Systems reimbursing them for their actual costs incurred.

Under terms of the agreement, specific fibers will be dedicated to the exclusive use of the Southern electric system. The remaining fibers will

be dedicated to Barton Fiber Systems' exclusive use.

Barton's primary anticipated use of its dedicated fibers will be for the transmission of information received from Barton's energy automation systems to its customers' corporate offices. In addition, Barton stated that its previously announced contract discussions with two major long distance carriers to utilize a portion of its dedicated fibers are proceeding and Barton anticipates making an announcement in this regard in the near future.

In commenting on the agreement, C. W. Earl Johnson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Barton, stated, ''The development of this fiber optic system will place Barton Industries even further ahead of its competition as the preeminent company in the energy industry services field.

''This system will provide a vital strategic link in the services Barton provides by enabling the more efficient transfer of data from our automation units in field locations to our customers' corporate headquarters.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - NBC has entered into an exclusive agreement with Leisure Concepts Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:LCIC) appointing the New York and Los Angeles firm as the worldwide licensing and merchandising agent for the network's upcoming Saturday morning music and comedy series ''Guys Next Door.''

Announcement of the agreement was made last week by Albert Spevak, vice president, Marketing & Production Business Affairs, NBC Productions, and Stanley A. Weston, chairman of the board, Leisure Concepts Inc. (''LCI'').

''Guys Next Door'' was launched last week (Monday, Aug. 27) with a special prime time preview (8:30 - 9 p.m. NYT, repeated Saturday, Sept. 1 at 11:30 a.m. NYT), and will premiere in its regular Saturday morning time period Sept. 8 (11:30 - noon NYT).

Under the agreement, LCI will be responsible for the licensing of manufacturers for a wide range of ''Guys Next Door'' merchandise. License agreements have already been completed for numerous product categories including posters, t-shirts, sweatshirts, coordinated clothing sets, sleepwear, towels, watches, jewelry, backpacks, banners and various novelty items.

The merchandise will be available through mass market, record, gift and department stores. Additionally, special marketing programs will be conducted with retailers, licensees and SBK Records, which has already released the ''Guys Next Door'' single, ''I Was Made for You,'' and released the album ''Guys Next Door'' Sept. 4.

''Guys Next Door'' is a high-energy half-hour of comedy and music performed by five exciting teen stars: Eddie Garcia, Bobby Leslie, Patrick J. Dancy, Damon Sharpe and Chris Wolf. The program represents an innovative leap into the future of broadcast and music with its fresh mix of youth-directed comedy, contemporary sounds and original music videos.

''Guys Next Door'' is produced by NBC Productions. Vince Manze is executive producer. Deborah Liebling is co-executive producer.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Allegheny Power System Inc., Thursday declared a quarterly dividend of 79 cents a share on the common stock.

The dividend is payable on Sept. 28 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 14.

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PRINCETON, NJ (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Prince Holdings Inc., announced Thursday that it has agreed to be acquired by Edizione Holding SpA, the Italian company which controls the Benetton Group, Nordica and other related companies.

''This sale will enable Prince to continue its growth and development as the world's premier racquet sports company and, equally important, allow Prince to enter other sporting goods categories such as golf,'' said John M. Sullivan, chairman of Prince Holdings Inc.

Prince currently markets tennis and squash racquets, footwear, apparel, racquet strings, sport bags, necessities and ball stringing machines under the Prince brand name.

It also markets racquetball racquets and related products under the Ektelon brand name and golf shafts under the Grafalloy brand name.

''The acquisition by Edizione Holdings SpA enables us to maintain and build on our family of products within the environment of the Edizione group. Similar philosophies and cultures within the sporting and leisure goods categories each of the companies serve represent an exciting marketing opportunity,'' said Sullivan.

According to Sullivan, the desire of Prince to enhance the efforts to build a worldwide sporting goods company was key to the decision to sell the company to Edizione.

Prince senior management and Brentwood Associates purchased Prince from Unilever N.V. in August of 1987. Since that time, sales and profits have continued to grow as the company expanded its product and market reach.

''Prince has become a truly international company under Brentwood ownership,'' said Frederick J. Warren, a general partner of Brentwood Associates.

Brentwood Associates is a Los Angeles-based management buyout firm which has completed a number of buyouts in addition to Prince, including Mobile Technology, Graphic Controls, Educational Publishing Co. and Acme Rents.

Morgan Stanley was the financial advisor for Prince and Lehman Brothers represented Edizione Holding SpA.

Terms of the sale are not being disclosed.

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PISCATAWAY, NJ (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Rheometrics, Inc., a manufacturer of sophisticated materials testing instruments, Thursday reported record sales and improved earnings for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

The record sales of $30.4 million for FY90 were up 18% from the $25.8 million achieved in the prior year. Rheometrics earned $81,000 ($.03 per share), compared to $54,000 ($.02 per share) in FY89. Fourth quarter sales

of $11.9 million were 43% higher than the 1989 quarter. The Company earned $1.1 million ($.35 per share) versus $194,000 ($.06 per share) a year ago.

Dr. Starita noted that: ''The strong fourth quarter performance may cause a softening in the first quarter of FY91, which has traditionally been the Company's weakest period. At the same time, the overall trends are positive. Domestic sales in FY90 were up 21% and European operations were solid. Revenues from our Japanese subsidiary were down about 10%, however we have strengthened that management team and anticipate a quick return to stable and profitable growth in the Far East.''

''The disappointing profit performance in FY90 caused us to look critically at our operating philosophy and to focus on programs and policies designed to improve profits in FY91," Dr. Starita added. ''Specific efforts to reduce costs and working capital investment have been instituted, reflecting the entire Company's commitment to achieving success in these areas.''

Rheometrics, Inc. manufactures sophisticated rheological instruments for the plastics, coatings, food, biomedical and adhesives industries. The Company's common stock trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''RHEM.''

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FAIRMONT, W.V. (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of CB&T Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:CBTF) has declared its regular third quarter dividend of 12 cents per share on 3,614,008 shares outstanding.

The cash payment of $433,680 will be payable Sept. 20, to shareholders of record Sept. 6. On an annualized basis, the company dividend of 48 cents per share represents a yield to shareholders of 4.8 percent based on current market value.

CB&T is a multibank holding company with assets of $525 million. The company operates 21 banking offices in 13 north-central West Virginia communities.

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Intergraph Corp. (NASDAQ:INGR) Thursday announced a new low-end line of workstations and servers, the Series 2000.

The Series 2000 is a family of full-featured, production-ready color graphics workstations and servers. The high-quality workstations support 2D and 3D graphics. Priced as low as $15,900, the Series 2000 is available for immediate shipment. More than 900 applications from Integraph and third-party vendors are immediately available on the Intergraph platform. These packages include the largest set of integrated applications from any vendor in the technical graphics computing industry.

''From a competitive standpoint, the value of the Series 2000 is unequalled when compared to other brands after competitors' entry-level workstations are configured for real 2D/3D color applications. We have configured this product line to be fully functional and production ready '' said Loyd Tarver, executive director, Systems Product Marketing. ''It completes a highly competive workstation family for 1990, complementing our previously introduced Series 6000.''

Target Markets

The Series 2000 is targeted at the computer graphics technical markets -- Mechanical Design, Engineering, and Manufacturing, Electronics, Mapping, Electronic Publishing, AEC, and other interactive computer graphics markets.

''The Series 2000 comes to market as part of an architecture that provides a balance between CPU performance, graphics, I/O, communications and application solututions -- a balance which exceeds measurements such as MIPS alone.

Many customers have experienced the tremendous cost of integrating their own applications and systems. Intergraph's integrated applications software and technical infomation management capabilities immediately save the end user that time and money. Our total-solutions philosophy has made us the number one supplier of CAD/CAM/CAE in North America,'' said Eliott James, president of Intergraph. Series 2000 Standard Features

The Series 2000 includes four workstation models:

-- The desktop InterPro 2020 with a single 19-inch screen

-- The desktop InterPro 2020 with dual 19-inch screen

-- The 19-inch single-screen InterAct 2020 with integral furniture and menu tablet

-- The dual 19-inch screen InterAct 2020 with integral furniture and digitizing table

Each model includes as standard features:

-- 12.5 MIPS RISC processor

-- 16MB of memory (expandable to 64MB)

-- 200MB hard disk, and 1.4MB floppy disk drive

-- SCSI port, three RS232 serial ports, and one parallel port

A high-performance graphics engine supports dynamic drawing capabilities of 360,000 2D vectors per second and 100,000 3D vectors per second. Eight planes enable the display of 256 colors from a palette of 16.7 million colors.

The Series 2000 includes the following software: XNS; TCP/IP communications; Looking Glass, a graphical user interface; and Intergraph's implementation of AT&T's UNIX System V, Release 3.1 operating system with Berkely extensions.

Series 2000 Server

For server requirements, the InterServe 2000 provides multifunctional capabilities for plotting, additional compute node of file management and storage. Standard features include:

-- 12.5 MIPS RISC/processor

-- 16MB of memory (expandable to 64MB)

-- 200MB hard disk drive and 1.44 MB floppy disk drive

-- IEEE 802.3 (Ethernet) communications port

-- Three RS232 serial ports

-- Versatec/differential parallel port

-- XNS and TCP/IP communications support

The InterServe 2000 is ideal for dedicated applications such as plotting.

Upward Compatibility/Open System Environment

Intergraph continues its commitment to upward compatibility. With the Series 2000, applications software now running on existing models will run on the Series 2000 without modification. Upward compatibility protects customer investments in existing application software and data files and ensures compatibility with the entire line of Intergraph products. Intergraph's products encompass a broad array of industry standards to enable connectivity in multivendor network systems.

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Intergraph Corp. (NASDAQ:INGR) Thursday announced price reductions on its Series 6000 mid-range and high-end workstation line.

Reductions range from 10 to 35 percent. Most important, an Intergraph workstation with a 27-inch, 2-megapixel display can now be purchased for $26,000, making this 27-inch display fully competitive with 19-inch display workstations.

''There are several benefits associated with this price reduction,'' stated Loyd Tarver, executive director, Systems Product Marketing. ''First, users can now take advantage of the Series 6000 27-inch capability for a price equivalent to 19-inch display workstations.

''Second, this reduction makes Intergraphs's mid- and high-end products even more competitive and puts our unique 27-inch capability into the hands of a much broader user set. This has been made possible by continued improvements in our cost of manufacturing.''

Series 6000 Highlights

As with other Intergraph workstation products, the Series 6000 is configured to be fully functional and production ready more than 900 software application packages readily available for technical graphic applications.

The Series 6000 offers two levels of graphics performance. Intergraph's EDGE I Graphics Processor supports eight planes, plus one highlight plane, of double-buffered graphics, achieving the display of 256 colors, plus one highlight color, from a palette of 16.7 million.

At a higher level, the EDGE II processor provides 24-bit true color, supports drawing rates of 400,000 2D vectors/second and 350,000 3D vectors/second, and allows the display of 16.7 million colors from a palette of 16.7 million.

EDGE II also enables realistic rendering with Gouraud shading at 25,000 100-pixel shaded triangles per second, and single- and dual-screen InterPro workstations, single- and dual-screen InterAct workstations, and InterServe servers.

Series 6000 Price Matrix

	6040	6240	6280	6280-(27-inch)
CPU performance	10 MIPS	14 MIPS	14 MIPS	14 MIPS
Display size	27-inch	19-inch	19-inch	27-inch Display
resolution	1664x1248	1184x884	1184x884	1664x1248
Memory	16MB	16MB	16MB	16MB
Disk	355MB	355MB	355MB	670MB
Colors displayed	257	257	16.7 million	16.7 million
Graphics processor	EDGE I	EDGE I	EDGE II	EDGE II
2D Vectors/Sec.	110,000	110,000	400,000	400,000
3D Vectors/Sec.	70,000	70,000	350,000	350,000
Chassis	Deskside	Deskside	Deskside	Deskside
New List Price/a	$26,000	$26,000	$42,000	$50,000

(a) U.S. dollars.

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Thursday Intergraph Corp. (NASDAQ:INGR) announced that Houston-headquartered Brown & Root U.S.A. Inc. signed a $7.9 million contract for 250 of Intergraph's new Series 2000 UNIX workstations and servers.

The Series 2000 will replace PCs on the desktops of many designers and enable them to design in 2D and 3D on a single workstation.

One of the largest and most diverse contractors in the world, Brown & Root provides engineering design, construction and maintenance services for a broad spectrum of industries.

Brown & Root designers will use the Series 2000 workstations and Intergraph AEC applications to design a variety of complex projects for

the petroleum and chemical, civil, forest products, power, marine, and manufacturing and process industries, as well as governments.

''Brown & Root wants to use Intergraph's 3D applications, and we are convinced of the cost savings of working in 3D,'' said Steve Yates, chief information officer of Brown & Root. ''A 3D model helps us build a better product and reduce costs by identifying interferences before construction begins.

''When our design is 100 percent correct, we can eliminate costly reworks in the field. The benefits of reduced construction costs are passed directly to the client.''

Intergraph's 3D graphics applications build project databases which include non-graphic information about the project. ''The project database is a sophisticated way to control project data and communicate between disciplines,'' Yates explained.

''As a single information source, it helps decrease the amount of paper and floppy disks the company uses to communicate. The database also gives our clients a greater understanding of the materials that will be used on a project.''

The convergence of the cost of DOS and UNIX was an important factor in the company's decision to move design to the workstation. ''The price and performance of the UNIX environment has become very attractive,'' Yates said. ''We get more power for our money with UNIX than DOS.''

Yates explained that the UNIX operating system offers greater system security, faster processing, increased memory, multitasking, and multiwindowing capabilities. ''We see faster, more powerful design without the limitation of DOS. Moving to UNIX was the writing on the wall '' he said.

The Intergraph system at Brown & Root in Houston is networked via Ethernet to its Mobile, Ala., Alhambra, Calif., and Colliers Wood and The Broadway offices in London. Over the network, engineers in remote Brown & Root offices can contribute to a project.

Coordinating the plans of several disciplines is a fundamental feature of Intergraph applications. This allows designers on a network to directly reference the working designs of others on the same project.

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CHELMSFORD, MA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Optronics division of Intergraph Corp. (NASDAQ:INGR) Thursday announced that Xyvision Inc. of Wakefield, Mass., has signed a value added reseller (VAR) agreement to market the Optronics ColorSetter 2000 imagesetter as an output device for Xyvision's Contex product line of design and prepress systems for the graphic arts.

''By integrating Optronics output devices into Contex Pro System 40 configurations, we can now offer a complete turnkey system to a broad segment of the graphic arts community,'' comments Jeff Crown, director, market development at Xyvision.

''Optronics output devices coupled with our new version 3.4 software, which includes both production stripping and full contone masking capabilities, gives us an ideal solution for general purpose trade shops and printers who need to streamline stripping and assembly including continuous tone images and line art.''

ColorSetter 2000 is a 2,000 dpi drum-based imagesetter for making color separations of composite layouts including text, graphics, line art and continuous tone images.

It accepts input in a wide variety of file formats, including DDES (a standard for file interchange between prepress systems) and is also PostScript compatible, providing support for the full range of PostScript typefaces and formats.

ColorSetter can output individual film separations as large as 19.6 inches by 25 inches, or up to four A4 sized pages 4-up on a single sheet of 20-inch by 26-inch precision pin-mounted film. Linework scanning up to 19 inches by 25 inches is available as an option.

''We are pleased that Xyvision has selected to integrate Optronics products into their systems,'' comments Bruce Harrison, Optronics' general manager. ''Xyvision's solutions for producers of packaging, publications, advertisements, catalogs and collateral materials are a perfect complement to the high quality, precision and productivity available with Optronics imagesetters.''

The Optronics division of Intergraph Corp. manufactures and markets precision imaging systems, including laser imagesetters, photoplotters, scanners and film recorders, for computer graphics applications in the engineering, mapping, manufacturing, scientific analysis, and graphic arts industries.

Xyvision Inc. designs and markets open-architecture systems for publishing document management, color design and prepress production.

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ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Roosevelt Financial Group Inc. (NASDAQ:RFED), announced Thursday that Douglas T. Breeden, 39, has been elected to the board of directors of both Roosevelt Financial Group Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Roosevelt Bank, a Federal Savings Bank.

Breeden will fill the vacancy created by the retirement of William E. Pettit, who has reached the mandatory retirement age of 70.
Breeden is a professor of finance at the Fuqua School of Business, Duke University, Durham, N.C. He was on the faculties of the University of Chicago and Stanford prior to moving to Duke in 1985. He is on the board of directors of the American Finance Association and is an associated editor of the Journal of Finance.

Breeden holds a bachelor of science degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a doctorate in finance from Stanford University.

Breeden is also chairman of the board of Smith Breeden Associates Inc., an investment advisory firm with offices in Chapel Hill, N.C.; Overland Park, Kan.; and Dallas.

The firm serves as a consultant and investment advisor to banks, thrifts and pension funds, and has performed consulting projects and mortgage portfolio management for several federal agencies, including the Resolution Trust Corp., the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corp. Roosevelt's management began developing many of its current investment and hedging strategies in conjunction with Smith Breeden Associates in 1986. The firm is still employed as a consultant to Roosevelt's investment activities. Breeden has served as an advisory director of Roosevelt since January, 1989.

''Mr. Breeden has been an integral part of Roosevelt's success during the past four years,'' noted Clarence M. Turley Jr., chairman of the board. ''We would expect his contributions to be even more valuable as a member of our board of directors.''

Pettit, who is retiring from Roosevelt following 15 years of service, is chairman of the board of Neff-Petterson's Inc., a clothing retailer in

Springfield, Mo. Pettit joined Roosevelt as an advisory board member in 1975, following Roosevelt Bank's acquisition of Safety Federal Savings of Springfield.

He was elected to the board of directors in 1978 and most recently was a member of the Executive and Compensation Committees of the Board.

''Mr. Pettit's advice and counsel will be missed,'' stated Turley. ''We wish Mr. Pettit and his family the best and thank him for his years of service.''

Roosevelt Financial Group Inc. is the holding company for Roosevelt Bank, a Federal Savings Bank. With $1.6 billion in assets, Roosevelt Bank is the largest St. Louis-based savings institution. Roosevelt Bank conducts operations through 22 full service offices in Missouri and Illinois, including 20 in the metropolitan St. Louis area.

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SAN BERNARDINO, CA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Kasler Corp. (NASDAQ:KASL), a leader in the highway/heavy-construction industry, Thursday announced that it has signed a letter of intent to purchase certain assets of L.S. Hawley Corp. subject to the board of directors' final approval of terms and conditions.

L.S. Hawley Corp. is a long-time producer of rock products in Southern California.

Kasler is a general contractor engaged in the construction of concrete roadways, bridges and other public-works projects including airport runways and water-control distribution facilities.

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LAS VEGAS (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - After nearly 36 years of service to the Showboat, Fred L. Morledge has announced his resignation and retirement effective July 24, 1990.

Immediately prior to resigning and announcing his retirement, Morledge was a senior vice-president, assistant secretary, director, and audit committee chairman of Showboat Inc. and senior vice-president and assistant secretary of Showboat Operating Co., the operating company and gaming licensee of the Las Vegas Showboat Hotel and Casino.

Up until July 24, Morledge also served as a Director of Ocean Showboat Inc.

Morledge, a native of Nebraska City, Neb., moved to the Western region of the United States with his parents during World War I. During the 1920s and early 1930s, Morledge was employed primarily in the gold mining industry and in the investment banking and brokerage business.

In 1933, Morledge moved from California to Overton, Nev. in hopes of developing a sodium silica plant. Morledge, together with his partner Lloyd Veitch, came upon and leased the Spartan Silica plant from the United States Government who had taken over the plant after its owners were unable to make a profit.

Morledge and Veitch made the plant profitable and continued its operations until fire destroyed the plant in 1937. From 1939 through 1955, Morledge served as vice-president and general manager of Nevada Silica Sand Inc. in Overton. While residing in Overton, over a period of 22 years, Morldege held various public offices and also served as chairman of the Chamber of Commerce and Town Board Chairman.

In 1953, Morledge joined a partnership which included J.K. Houssels Sr. and Bill Moore, which operated the El Cortez Hotel. Two years later, he was named manager of the El Cortez Hotel and served in that capacity until approximately 1962. In the mid 1950s, Morledge, once again with J.K. Houssels Sr., Bill Moore, and others, founded the Las Vegas Showboat.

In 1960, Morledge and the other partners decided to convert their operations at the Las Vegas Showboat into a corporation, Showboat Inc. Until announcing his resignation and retirement, Morledge had, without interruption, served as a director of Showboat Inc. from its inception.

Morledge has been selected Director-Emeritus to Showboat Inc.

Showboat Inc., through its subsidiaries operates resorts in Las Vegas and Atlantic City featuring casino gambling, bowling, and other sports attractions and special events.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Dun & Bradstreet Corp. announced Thursday that Howard W. Smith has been named senior vice president for information marketing programs of the company's Business Information Group effective October 1.

The company also announced that Nick L. Mancini has been appointed president of Dun & Bradstreet Canada Ltd., effective September 24. Mancini succeeds Smith.

In making the announcements, James E. Rutter, executive vice president of The Dun & Bradstreet Corp. responsible for the Business Information Group, said, ''In this new assignment, Howard will oversee the development of new programs to enhance the worldwide consistency and quality of D&B data, and to accelerate the development and implementation of the global marketing and customer-service strategies of our risk-management businesses. At the same time, Nick's appointment ensures a smooth transition in our D&B Canada operations.''

Howard W. Smith joined Dun & Bradstreet Business Credit Services in 1966 and held a number of positions before being named vice president for product planning and research in 1983. He was named senior vice president for planning and development in 1986. He was appointed president of D&B Canada Ltd. in 1988, the position he held prior to his latest appointment.

Nick L. Mancini was previously senior vice president and general manager of American Express Canada's Financial Services Group businesses, with responsibility for Traveler's Cheques, the Optima Card, Insurance Services Amex's Asset and Lending Services, and the Lifetime Card.

He also served as a member of American Express Canada's Executive Committee and was a director of American Express Canada Inc. Earlier he served as vice president for Business and Strategic Planning.

He joined the company in 1982, having previously held positions with the Toronto Stock Exchange and the Traders Group/Guaranty Trust Company of Canada. Mancini holds an M.A. and an H.B.A. in economics from the University of Toronto.

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#90249b0830 09/06/1990 ~Business Wire

AUSTIN, Texas (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Healthcare International Inc. (ASE/PSE:HII) Thursday announced results for the fourth quarter and year ended June 30, 1990.

Results for the final quarter of fiscal 1990 reflected management's continued progress in stabilizing the company's operations and achieving the objectives of its restructuring program. In the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, the company's operating loss before unusual items was $5.2 million, compared with $5.4 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. For the fiscal year, the operating loss before unusual items was $30.7 million, compared to $16.4 million last year.

Jean P. Smith, president, noted that the year's results included approximately $28 million of losses incurred by the general acute-care hospitals and related operations that the company is discontinuing as part of its restructuring program. During fiscal 1990 the company sold two of these facilities and, at year's end, had definitive agreements to sell or transfer the operations of its two remaining general acute-care hospitals.

One of these transactions was consummated in July 1990 and the other is scheduled to be completed within the next month. While disposition of the general hospitals and related operations represents a significant step in the company's restructuring program, Smith pointed out that not all liabilities associated with ownership and operation of these facilities will be retired in connection with their disposition and that these obligations, among others, will have a continuing impact on the company's performance.

Smith pointed out that the company's remaining psychiatric and rehabilitation facilities as a group showed improvement during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 compared with the year-earlier period.

''While our psychiatric facilities have felt the effects of continued intense competition during this past year, and also have been affected by the company's financial difficulties, we were encouraged to see improved operating results from these facilities in the final quarter of 1990,'' she said.

Reflecting primarily the increased competitive conditions facing many of the company's psychiatric facilities, inpatient days delivered by the company's continuing psychiatric and rehabilitation hospitals declined 6.1 percent from the prior year. However, during the fourth quarter, the

company's continuing psychiatric and rehabilitation facilities registered the same level of inpatient days as in the prior year's fourth quarter.

The company reported a net loss of $2.7 million, or 37 cents per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, which included a $1.9 million favorable adjustment to unusual items primarily as a result of adjustments to the company's estimated losses on dispositions of assets. In the year-earlier quarter, the company posted a net loss of $155.9 million, or $21.19 per share which included unusual items totaling $149.7 million relating primarily to the write-down of assets.

For the year-to-date period ended June 30, 1990, Healthcare reported a net loss of $36.7 million, or $4.86 per share, compared with a net loss last year of $173.7 million, or $23.35 per share. The loss for fiscal 1990 included unusual items of $7.4 million primarily related to estimated losses on the disposition of assets, while the loss for the preceding year included unusual items of $160.7 million, which were primarily related to the write-down of assets.

''Clearly, this has been a very difficult year for the company as management confronted severe cash flow difficulties and began to implement a significant restructuring of the company's operations,'' Smith continued. ''While there have been many challenging moments over the past twelve months, the company has made progress in significantly reducing its debt burden and disposing of operations that no longer fit with its long-term strategy.''

Healthcare International provides a wide range of health care products and services to both local and national markets through 22 facilities in five states. The company's Class A common stock is listed for trading on the American and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol HII.

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#90249b0831 09/06/1990 ~Business Wire

LANDOVER, MD (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Herbert H. Haft, chairman of Trak Auto Corp. (NASDAQ:TRKA) announced net income for the three months ended July 31, was $1,133,000 or 20 cents per share compared with $843,000 or 15 cents per share for the same period last year and sales increased 10.9 percent to $76,233,000 from $68,713,000.

Net income for the six month period ended July 31 was $2,058,000 or 36 cents per share compared to $1,138,000 or 20 cents per share in the same period one year ago, while sales increased 11.8 percent to $143,808,000 from $128,691,000 for the same period last year.

For stores open more than one year, sales increased 5.0 percent and 5.6 percent for the three months and six months ended July 31.

Trak Auto Corp. currently operates 325 discount auto parts stores in the Washington, D.C.; Baltimore; Richmond, Va.; Chicago; San Diego and Los Angeles metropolitan areas compared with 296 stores in operation one year ago.

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  Stanley Rubenstein, 212/661-4343

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     #90249b0844 09/06/1990 ~Business Wire
WESTFORD, MA (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation today announced that Chester W. Nimitz, Jr. retired from its board of directors and expressed sincere thanks for his years of dedicated service and leadership.

Concurrent Computer Corporation is the leadsing supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through the Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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     #90249b0845 09/06/1990 ~Business Wire
BIRMIMGHAM, Ala. (SEPT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Vulcan Materials Co. (NYSE:VMC) announced Thursday that it purchased all of the stock of Reed Crushed Stone Co. Inc., Reed Terminal Co. Inc. and BRT Transfer Terminal Inc.

All three corporations are headquartered near Paducah, Ky.

The assets of the three corporations include a large limestone quarry which provides crushed stone to markets on the Mississippi River system, to the western Kentucky area and to rail customers from Illinois to Mississippi; a number of deck barges which are used to ship crushed stone to the river markets; and a recently acquired stone distribution business in Memphis, Tenn.

In addition, BRT Transfer Terminal operates three terminals which blend

and transload coal from rail to barge and barge to barge. During Reed's last three fiscal years, shipments of crushed stone have averaged about 9.5 million tons per year.

Estimated total reserves at the Reed quarry exceed 500 million tons. For the twelve months ended May 31, 1990, the acquired businesses reported combined revenues of $47,195,000 and pretax operating income of $9,555,000 after deduction of depreciation and amortization expense in the amount of $5,544,000. In the preceding twelve months, revenues totaled $48,740,000 and pretax operating income amounted to $14,237,000 after deducting depreciation and amortization of $4,975,000.

In July 1990, Reed Crushed Stone Co. Inc., acquired substantially all of the assets of McAlister Construction Co. Inc., and Central States Dredging Co. During the twelve months ended May 31, 1990, these companies had purchased virtually all of their stone requirements from Reed Crushed Stone Co. Inc., totalling in excess of 1.9 million tons.

The asset's acquired from these companies by Reed include a stone sales yard in Memphis, two tow boats, a number of deck barges, a small dredge used for dredging sand from the Mississippi River and various assets which will be sold and which related to a construction business that was discontinued after the assets were acquired by Reed. The results of these companies are not included in the financial results noted above.

H.A. Sklenar, president and chief executive officer of Vulcan, stated: ''Vulcan intends to continue the current businesses of all three corporations. The Reed operations enable Vulcan to expand its existing Kentucky-based aggregates operations and to participate in a number of new crushed stone markets, including western Kentucky by truck and markets along the Mississippi River and the Tennessee-Tombigbee waterway by barge.

''The BRT coal terminal business provides an excellent transportation link between coal mines in western Kentucky and southern Illinois and several utilities located in the southeastern United States which utilize inland waterways for coal transport. In addition, BRT's principal terminal is strategically located to handle coal shipments originating in the western United States.''

The businesses will continue under the management of David W. Reed as president of the three corporations. Harold D. Lambert, president of Vulcan's Midsouth Division, will serve as chairman of the three corporations.

Vulcan is a producer of industrial materials and commodities with significant positions in two industries. It is the nation's foremost producer of construction aggregates and a leading chemicals manufacturer, producing a diversified line of chlorinated solvents and other industrial

chemicals.

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#90249b0846 09/06/1990 ~Business Wire

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (SEPT 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Worthen Banking Corp. (ASE:WOR) announced Thursday that following a favorable ruling late yesterday by the U.S. Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals in St. Louis, it is now permitted to go forward with its previously announced acquisition of certain assets and deposit liabilities of Independence Federal Bank, FSB (''Independence'') in Batesville, Ark. from the Resolution Trust Corp. (''RTC'').

Curt Bradbury, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Worthen, said that the injunction temporarily blocking the acquisition was formally lifted today and that Worthen is now working with the RTC to coordinate a closing of the transaction.

''This represents an exciting market expansion for Worthen. When the Independence branches open as branches of Worthen Bank, we will become Arkansas' first bank with statewide branches, with 20 new locations throughout the state, 20,000 new customers and approximately $320 million in new deposits,'' Bradbury said.

The acquisition, once consummated, would give Worthen Bank total assets of approximately $938 million and Worthen Banking Corp. total assets of approximately $2.1 billion, Bradbury said.

On June 21, 1990, Worthen Bank & Trust Co., N.A. in Little Rock, the largest of 10 Arkansas banks owned by Worthen Bank Corp. submitted a winning bid of $1.5 million to the RTC for the acquisition of Independence.

On June 28, Arkansas State Bank Commissioner Bill Ford filed a motion in federal court to prevent the RTC from consummating the transaction, contending that it would be a violation of state law, which prohibits banks from acquiring and operating branches located outside of a bank's home county.

On July 9, the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas ruled that the RTC did not have the authority to override state bank branching laws.

Upon appeal, a three-judge panel of the U.S. Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled on August 28 that the RTC does have the authority to override the Arkansas state bank branching laws under the Financial Institution Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 in order to

consummate the transfer of certain assets and liabilities of Independence to Worthen.

A further motion filed on August 30 by the Arkansas State Bank Commissioner to stay the decision of the three-judge panel was declined late yesterday (September 5) by the full Eighth Circuit Court.

The injunction was lifted by the District Court today in accordance with the decision of the Eighth Circuit, thereby permitting the RTC and Worthen to go forward with the Independence acquisition.

CONTACT: Worthen Banking Corp., Little Rock Patrick O'Sullivan, 501/378-1203

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Consolidated Technology Inc. lost $77,438, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $851,586 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total profit of $134,463, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $1.08 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90249c0024 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 5:

Terra Mines Ltd. (TMEFE) to (TMEXF)

The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 4:

Computer and Communications Technology Corp. (CCTC) to Sunward Technologies
Inc. (SUNT)

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#90249c0025 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:03 that trade in Top Source Inc.(NASDAQ: TOPS) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 23/32. The company is located in Palm Beach Gardens, FL.

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#90249c0026 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - Gambro AB (TICKER: GAMB) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD announcing on July 5, 1990 it succesfully completed an international offering of 4 million B free shares.

Enskilda Securities was the lead underwriter in the offering.

At the offer price of 145.92 Swedish krona, the offering had a total market value of approximately 584 million krona.

Gambro AB develops and manufactures products and systems for renal care and open heart surgery.

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#90249c0027 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - Anglo Swiss Mining Corp.(TICKER: ASMCF) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD announcing on Aug. 29, 1990 it completed the first phase of a three phase surface and underground exploration program begun at its wholly-owned Ladner Creek gold property.

The exploration program will consist of trenching, sampling and road building at the potentially open pit minable McMaster Zone, followed by drilling at McMaster, and additional drilling underground on the No. 3 zone at the Idaho Zone.

The McMaster Zone was previously identified by a 1,500 foot long soil geochemical gold anomaly of which about 600 feet has been drilled and shown to host ore grade gold mineralization.

The current program will extend the trenching and drilling to determine the limits of the gold deposit.

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#90249c0028 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - Absorptive Technology Inc.(TICKER: ABSF) filed a Form 20-F with the NASD stating it lost $1.63 million, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $216,944 for the fiscal year ended Jan. 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.68 million, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $155,801 in fiscal 1989.

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

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#90249c0029 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - Stolt Tankers and Terminals (Holdings) S.A.

(TICKER: STLTF) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it earned $34.15 million (including a gain of $18.9 million from the sale of ships), or $1.26 per share, on revenues of $148.23 million for the quarter ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $20.22 million (extraordinary gain of $244,000 and a $5 million gain from an insurance settlement), or $0.74 per share, on revenues of $127.06 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90249c0030 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - Cal Graphite Corp.(TICKER: CALGF) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it lost $175,604, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $217,720 for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $138,722, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $395,440 for the same period in 1989.

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#90249c0032 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - Gambro AB (TICKER: GAMB) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it earned 116.7 million Swedish krona (SEK), or 5.10 SEK per share, on revenues of 1.79 billion SEK for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of 96.4 million SEK, or 4.21 SEK per share, on revenues of 1.55 billion SEK for the same period in 1989.

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#90249c0033 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - Nevada Goldfields Corp.(TICKER: NGFC) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD announcing on July 9, 1990 it acquired 72.52 percent of the outstanding shares of Antioch Resources Ltd. In exchange, Nevada Goldfields issued 1.57 million shares of its common stock to Antioch.

Nevada Goldfields' shares are being issued on the basis of .334 shares of Nevada Goldfields for each share of Antioch.

Nevada Goldfields reports it intends to make a formal follow-up offer to all of the remaining Antioch shareholders on the same basis.

Antioch is a Nevada corporation which holds an option to purchase an advanced underground gold exploration project known as the Logan Mine situated in the province of Nova Scotia.

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#90249c0034 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:00 that trade in Top Source Inc.(NASDAQ: TOPS) has been resumed. The first bid was 21/32; down 1/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90249c0035 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Entree Corp.(TICKER: ETRC) earned $219,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $59.83 million for the sixteen-week period ended July 21, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $456,000, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $64.57 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90249c0036 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Stanwick Corp. earned $1.50 million (including an extraordinary gain of $501,000 and an Iranian bank claim settlement of $1.67 million), or $1.68 per share, on revenues of $63,506 for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $67,217, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $179,344 for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1989.

Stanwick Corp. reports that it is in the process of liquidation and dissolution and expects the liquidation process to be completed in fiscal year 1991.

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#90249c0037 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows General Nutrition Inc.(TICKER: GENU) lost $4.19 million on revenues of $81.85 million for the 12 weeks ended July 21, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $4.95 million, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $83.86 million for the 12 weeks ended July 22, 1989.

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#90249c0038 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Esarco Intl. Inc.(TICKER: ESAR) expanded its board of directors to seven members,

and elected Ronald Springer, M. David Sayid and Michael J. Smith as directors to serve until the next annual meeting of shareholders and until their successors are elected and qualified.

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#90249c0040 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows The Merchants Bank and Trust Co. appointed a management team effective Aug. 19 1990, to succeed former president and chief executive officer J. Robert Newman, who died Aug. 18.

The new team consists of an executive committee directed by chairman Thomas F. O'Connor, Larry L. Bentley and Leonard R. Volpe.

Bentley, president of the bank, will continue as chief operating officer, and Volpe will continue to serve as executive vice president of the bank.

Additionally, Henry A. Iffland, former chairman of the board and bank president, has agreed to act as a special advisor to the executive committee.

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#90249c0041 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows The Prospect Group (TICKER: PROS), in agreement with its plan of liquidation, distributed $11.63 million to its shareholders at the rate of $.50 per share of common stock issued and outstanding Aug. 2, 1990.

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#90249c0042 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Boston Digital Corp.(TICKER: BOST) retained the services of BNE Associates as their investment banker, and is investigating a possible partnership or business combination with a qualified third party.

On Sept. 4, 1990, the board of directors of Boston Digital Corp. declared a dividend distribution of one common stock purchase right for each outstanding share of common stock of Boston Digital Corp. to stockholders, at the close of business Sept. 14, 1990.

Each right entitles the holder to purchase from Boston Digital Corp. a share of common stock at a cash exercise price of $14 per share, subject to adjustment.

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#90249c0043 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Bayou International Ltd.(TICKER: BAYU) was advised of the appointment of a committee of three receivers and managers to administer Centaur Mining & Exploration Ltd., which owns approximately 40% of the issued and outstanding shares of Bayou.

The committee is comprised of Messrs. Thomas Daly, Paul William Kirk and Peter James Leonhardt, accountants with Messrs. Cooper & Lybrand.

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#90249c0044 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Timberline Minerals (TICKER: TIMM) was advised Aug. 23, 1990 by its major shareholder group, Lithosphere Inc., that it will no longer continue to advance funds to meet the working capital needs of Timberline Minerals Inc.

It said it would, however, consider increasing its ownership of Timberline to 100% on the basis of an independent fair market valuation.

To this end, Timberline has engaged the firm of Terence Willsteed & Associates, consulting mining engineers, Level 21, Grosvenor Place, 225 George St., Sydney, N.S.W., Australia.

Lithosphere Inc. owns approximately 51% of Timberline Minerals Inc.'s common stock, and consists of a subsidiary, Perseverance of North America Inc., and Perseverance Corp., a publicly listed Australian company that is the parent corporation of Lithosphere.

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#90249c0045 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows El Paso Electric Co.(TICKER: ELPA) filed for and received the third scheduled base rate increase under the rate moderation plan in effect in Texas.

The Texas Commission ordered an increase in Texas base rate revenues of approximately $11.2 million ($7.1 million in cash and $4.1 million in phase in deferrals).

The Commission ordered a return on equity of 13.1%, and, in addition to the increase in base revenues, ordered a one-year surcharge to Texas customers of rate case expenses of approximately $2 million.

New rates based on this final order are expected to be in effect by September, 1990.

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#90249c0046 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows shareholders of $300,000 of Western Star (TICKER: WTAR) convertible notes have elected to convert their notes, due Sept. 30, 1994, into 218,180 shares of common stock at the stated price of $1.375 per share, effective Aug. 1, 1990.

The conversion reduces Western Star Inc.'s long-term debt by $300,000, saving Western Star $21,000 annually in interest expense.

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#90249c0048 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 30, 1990, the purchase of the common shares under the purchase agreement previously described closed and the purchase and sale of share occurred.

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#90249c0049 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY PLENUM PUBLISHING CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 713,500 SHARES (9.37%) OF GRADCO SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: GRCO) OF IRVINE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Plenum Publishing Corp. intended to nominate one or more candidates to be elected to the board in opposition to the nominees of the current board at the annual meeting scheduled for Aug. 31, 1990. Upon commencement of the meeting, it was adjourned to Oct. 12, 1990. Plenum Publishing Corp. immediately formed the Plenum-Tash Committee for Fiduciary Responsibility of the Gradco Systems Board to file materials with the SEC and to solicit proxies to elect a full 5-member slate of directors and to vote against Gradco Systems Inc.'s proposals to amend its stock purchase and stock option plans. At the adjourned annual meeting, Plenum Publishing Corp. intend to utilize cumulative voting in favor of their nominees.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Plenum Publishing Corp. purchased 32,500 shares from Aug. 24-30, 1990 for $5.38 to $5.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

Formation of group to replace the board of Gradco Systems Inc.

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#90249c0050 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

J.A. SKIDMORE JR OWNS 468,333 SHARES (16.60%) OF SCIENCE MANAGEMENT CORP (TICKER: SMG) OF BASKING RIDGE, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90249c0051 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

T.M. MURRELL OWNS 769,456 SHARES (5.50%) OF AMVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: AVFC) OF TOPEKA, KS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

T.M. Murrell disposed of 20,000 shares by gift on Aug. 21, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Disposition of securities by gift.

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#90249c0052 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 28

ANNOUNCEMENT: On Sept. 5, 1990, the Committee commenced distribution of proxy materials to the stockholders of Apple Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: APK).

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#90249c0053 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 36

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Stahl is filing as an exhibit his form 14D-1, amendment no. 28.

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#90249c0054 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 1,078,000 SHARES (7.10%) OF ADDINGTON RESOURCES INC (TICKER: ADDR) OF ASHLAND, KY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to show an increase in the number of shares owned by State of Wisconsin Investnet Board.

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#90249c0056 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 1,375,000 SHARES (8.60%) OF APPLIED MAGNETICS CORP (TICKER: APM) OF GOLETA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to show an increase in the number of shares owned by State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

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#90249c0057 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS (5.00%) OF ANGELICA CORP (TICKER: AGL) OF ST. LOUIS, MO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to show a decrease in the number of shares owned by State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

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#90249c0058 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 423,100 SHARES (5.20%) OF COMPUTER TASK GROUP INC (TICKER: TSK) OF BUFFALO, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to show a decrease in the number of shares owned by State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

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#90249c0059 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 859,200 SHARES (8.30%) OF SILICON VALLEY GROUP INC (TICKER: SVGI) OF SAN JOSE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to show an increase in the number of shares owned by State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

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#90249c0060 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 915,000 SHARES (5.90%) OF MILLICOM INC (TICKER: MILL) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to show an increase in the number of shares owned by State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

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#90249c0061 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 2,250,000 SHARES (8.50%) OF TCBY ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: TBY) OF LITTLE ROCK, AR.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to show an increase in the number of shares owned by State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

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#90249c0062 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY P.B. KORSANT OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 260,000 SHARES (3.70%) OF CYCLOPS INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: CYL) OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90249c0064 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ONODA CALIFORNIA INC OWNS 5,834,070 SHARES (19.80%) OF CALMAT CO (TICKER:

CZM) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 4, 1990, Onoda gave written notice to Calmat Co. of its intent to exercise the put option to cause CalMat to acquire the CalMat shares, in exchange for which CalMat may transfer all the shares of California Portland Cement Co. or to pay $45.20 per share. If CalMat elects to pay cash, Onoda has the option to purchase the CPC shares for $360 million. The acquisition is expected to close on Sept. 30, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Notice of intention to exercise options.

-30- 797

#90249c0065 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - Global Environmental Corp.(TICKER: GLEN) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 6,000 units.

Each unit consists of 500 shares of common stock and 250 Class C redeemable warrants to purchase 250 shares of common stock.

The units are expected to be sold at a price range of $475 to $525 per unit.

Global Capital Securities Inc. is underwriting the offering.

-30- 588

#90249c0066 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - American Pacific Corp.(TICKER: APFC) filed a Form S-2 registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1.90 million shares of its common stock with an additional 162,000 shares being sold by certain stockholders of American Pacific Corp.

American Pacific is engaged principally in the production of a specialty chemical, ammonium perchlorate, for the aerospace and national defense industries.

PaineWebber and Kidder Peabody are underwriting the offering.

Use of the proceeds from this offering will go to fund a portion of the costs of construction and start-up of operations of American Pacific Corp.'s proposed sodium azide facility, to repay outstanding indebtedness of American Pacific Corp. and for general corporate purposes.

-30- 956
#90249c0067 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - American Acquisition Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 10 units.

Each unit consists of 5,000 shares of common stock.

The initial public offering price is $1,500 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of American Acquisition Corp. is specified.

American Acquisition Corp.'s executive office is located at 176 Saddle River Ave., Building H, South Hackensack, NJ 07606.

-30- 691
#90249c0068 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - BBC Brown Boveri Ltd. has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares.

Each ADS represents 1/200th bearer share of BBC Brown Boveri Ltd.

BBC Brown Boveri LTD is incorporated in Switzerland.

The depositary bank is Citibank, N.A. and its telephone number is (212) 657-7691.

Twenty million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $5 per unit.

The registration fee is $250.

NOTE: Each unit represents 100 American Depositary Shares.

-30- 724
#90249c0069 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - BI Inc.(TICKER: BIAC) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1 million shares of its common stock.

Pennsylvania Merchant Group Ltd. is underwriting the offering.

Use of the proceeds from the offering will go to research and development, capital equipment and facilities, marketing and general corporate purposes.

BI Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and supports electronic monitoring systems for use by the corrections industry.

-30- 656

#90249c0070 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - Granada Biosciences Inc.(TICKER: GBI) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 3.5 million shares of its convertible exchangeable preferred stock.

The preferred stock has a liquidation preference of $10.00 per share, plus accrued and unpaid dividends.

Granada Biosciences Inc. intends to make application to list the preferred stock on the American Stock Exchange.

Oppenheimer & Co. is managing the offering.

Granada Biosciences Inc. utilizes genetic engineering to produce food animals with superior characteristics such as improved milk production, rate of weight gain and food product quality.

Granada Biosciences Inc.'s executive office is located at 10900 Richmond Ave., P.O. Box 42298, Houston, Texas 77242-2298. Its telephone number is (713) 977- 7000.

-30- 1016

#90249c0072 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that on Aug. 25, 1990, Rabule Corp. acquired 100 percent of the issued and outstanding common stock of Action Promotions Productions Ltd.

In exchange, Rabule issued Action Promotions 22.68 million shares of its common stock.

As a result of the transaction, Action Promotions owns a controlling interest in Rabule.

Following the transaction, Rabule Corp. changed its name to Combined Entertainment Organization Inc.

As a result of the transaction, Rabule's directors agreed to resign and the present directors are James F. Eveld, Raymond Girard, Robert F. Kinney, and George Huber.

Rabule Corp.'s executive office is located at 3631 Seneca Lane, Las Vegas,

NV 89101, and its telephone number is (702) 796-1176.

-30- 940

#90249c0073 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Dixcom Technology Inc., the majority owned subsidiary of Dixcom Inc., sold on Aug. 22, 1990, all its assets to Nuclear Diagnostic Systems for $425,000, of which $25,000 was paid at closing.

The balance is payable pursuant to a non-recourse promissory note in the principal amount of $400,000.

Dixcom Inc's executive office is located at 1175 N.E. 24th Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33310, and its telephone number is (305) 563-1333.

-30- 651

#90249c0074 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows a majority of shareholders of Legacy Capital Corp. on July 16, 1990, approved a plan in to change its name to Welcom Capital Inc. effective Aug. 23, 1990.

Additionally, the board of directors on Aug. 30, 1990, authorized a change in Welcom Capital Inc.'s fiscal year end, to Feb. 28.

The first fiscal year for which the change will apply will begin March 1, 1990 and end Feb. 28, 1991.

Welcom Capital Inc.'s executive office is located at 110 Newport Center Drive, Suite 200, Newport Beach, CA 92660, and its telephone number is (714) 640- 7370.

-30- 766

#90249c0075 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows International Meta Systems Inc. contracted Aug. 29, 1990, with Apple Computer Inc.(TICKER: AAPL) to develop a special microprocessor for $300,000.

Payment will occur in a series as milestones are achieved.

Management of International Meta Systems currently is in discussions with Apple for a new follow-on agreement to continue development of a new microprocessor, containing International Meta's proprietary technology and including proprietary features of Apple Computer Inc.

International Meta Systems Inc.'s executive office is located at 23842 Hawthorne Blvd., Suite 200, Torrance, CA 90505, and its telephone number is (213) 375-4700.

-30- 893

#90249c0076 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Triumph Ventures Inc. on June 19, 1990, entered into an agreement with Privat Capital Corp. for certain assets in exchange for common stock, representing approximately 89.5% of Triumph's outstanding common stock.

These assets consist mainly of medical billing receivables with a face value of over $20 million.

The acquisition by Triumph is intended to launch it into the business of providing electronic data support services and collection facilities to doctors, clinics, hospitals and laboratories.

Triumph Ventures Inc.'s executive office is located at 100 East 42nd Street, Suite 2420, New York, NY 10017, and its telephone number is (212) 687-1400.

-30- 901

#90249c0077 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Holnam Inc.(TICKER: HLN) presented a revised earnings estimate for fiscal 1990 at its board of directors meeting Aug. 17, 1990.

Management now expects the company to incur a consolidated 1990 net loss of $0.10 to $0.15 per share.

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#90249c0078 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Relstrate Inc. filed a registration statement offering to sell 5,000 units.

Each unit consists of 100 shares of common stock. The initial public offering price is $10.00 per unit.

Relstrate Inc. sells and distributes a product known as Relstrate, which is a hair straightener used to relax curly hair.

Relstrate Inc.'s offices are located at 280 N.E. 60 Street, Miami, FL

33138, and its telephone number is (305) 754-6632.

-30- 646

#90249c0080 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Alleco Inc. announced on Aug. 31, 1990 that the U.S. District Court in Minnesota issued an order concluding that it had jurisdiction to decide Alleco's case with the trustee of $105 million principal amount of 9.5 percent convertible senior subordinated debentures due 2010.

The order dismissed Salomon Brothers Inc. as a party and denied Alleco's motion for dismissal of the case. Alleco reports it intends to appeal this decision.

The convertible subordinated debentures were assumed by the purchaser of Alleco's foodservice subsidiary in 1987.

Alleco is based in Cheverly, Maryland and its telephone number is (301) 341- 6000.

-30- 868

#90249c0081 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 15, 1990 IPM Inc. and its subsidiaries, Interstate Pipe Maintenance Inc., (TICKER: PIPE) Pollution Solutions Inc., Sewer Technology Inc. and Insta-Pipe Inc. filed for protection under Chapter 7 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

IPM's executive office is located at 60 East 42nd Street, Suite 1740, New York, NY 10165 and its telephone number is (212) 687-6070.

-30- 592

#90249c0082 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 10, 1990, Wellington Ventures Inc. changed the name of the company to Wassertech International Corp.

On Aug. 6, 1990, the three directors of Wellington Ventures tendered their resignations.

The resignations were the result of the election of new directors at the annual meeting of the company's shareholders.

The executive office of Wassertech International is located at 66 Red Hill Circle, Tiburon, CA 94920. Its telephone number is (415) 435-3605.

-30- 696
#90249c0083 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Tago Inc.(TICKER: TAGO) earned $11,132, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $760,479 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $22,035, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $615,222 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 453
#90249c0084 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) COMTEX - Kyocera Corp.(TICKER: KYO) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD announcing on Aug. 27, 1990 that it is proposed a cash dividend of the company's common stock and American Depositary Shares, each ADS representing 2 shares of common stock.

The date of the declaration of the interim dividend is in the middle of November, 1990.

The per share amount of the interim dividend is estimated at 22 Japanese yen per share and 44 yen per ADS.

Shareholders of record as of Sept. 30, 1990 are entitled to receive the interim dividend.

The payment of the interim dividend is expected to commence in mid-December, 1990.

-30- 795
#90249c0085 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.L. JANSSEN OF 645 SAN JULIO RD, SOLANA BCH, CA 92075, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF UNI-VITE INC. THROUGH WEDBUSH MORGAN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 31, 1990.

(UNI-VITE INC. TEL: 619 931-9942)

-30- 387
#90249c0086 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H.E. HIRSCHFELD OF 175-20 WEXFORD TERRACE, JAMAICA ESTATES, NY 11432,

HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: ICGN) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG.30, 1990.

(ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 625-0700)

-30- 437
#90249c0088 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - F.T. MASSEY JR OF 4563 COVENANT CT, GURNEE, IL 60031, HAS FILED TO SELL 39,008 SHARES OF DIGITRAN SYSTEMS INC. THROUGH EQUITY SECS TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 30, 1990.

(DIGITRAN SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 801 752-9067)

-30- 405
#90249c0089 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.B. WHEELER JR OF 330 WEST ST, GURNEE, IL 60031, HAS FILED TO SELL 39,008 SHARES OF DIGITRAN SYSTEMS INC. THROUGH EQUITY SECS TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 30, 1990.

(DIGITRAN SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 801 752-9067)

-30- 404
#90249c0090 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CWC SPORTS INC OF 261 REDLANDS, PLAYA DEL REY, CA 90293, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,333 SHARES OF CHARTWELL PUBLISHING CO.,INC. THROUGH DRAKE CAPITAL SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 31, 1990.

(CHARTWELL PUBLISHING CO.,INC. TEL: 213 628-2812)

-30- 431
#90249c0091 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILFORD B FULTZ OF 6000 WESTERN PLACE, SUITE 483, FORT WORTH, TX 76107, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ICO INC. (TICKER: ICOC) THROUGH GREENMAN PARKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(ICO INC. TEL: 817 735-1331)

-30- 394
#90249c0092 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN R CECIL OF 6045 FAIRWAY DR, FAYETTEVILLE, PA 17222, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,987 SHARES OF JLG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JLGI) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(JLG INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 717 485-5161)

-30- 405
#90249c0093 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHELDON N LEWIS OF 3711 ROSE CT, LAFAYETTE, CA 94549, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF THE CLOROX CO. (TICKER: CLX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(THE CLOROX CO. TEL: 415 271-7000)

-30- 388
#90249c0094 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD R CAMPBELL OF 323 TAMERLAINE, HOUSTON, TX 77024, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 20, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 392
#90249c0096 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOXER OF 122 CLIPPER LANE, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 402

#90249c0097 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AMSOUTH BANK N A CO-TTEE OF P.O.BOX 272, ALEXANDER CITY, AL 35010, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(RUSSELL CORP. TEL: 205 234-4251)

-30- 419
#90249c0098 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TARNOPOL MICHAEL FOUNDATION INC OF 245 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10167, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. TEL: 212 272-2000)

-30- 468
#90249c0099 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD D PENCE OF 5080 SPECTRUM DR WEST, SUITE 300, DALLAS, TX 75248, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,047 SHARES OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. (TICKER: MEDC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. TEL: 214 851-2607)

-30- 431
#90249c0100 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT M BERRY OF 775 EAST 920 NORTH, ALPINE, UT 84004, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH D E WINE INVESTMENTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 425
#90249c0101 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RANDOLPH C HARRELL OF 426N ST. ASAPH STREET, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. TEL: 614 833-9155)

-30- 448
#90249c0102 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES A REES OF 14225 LORA DR #5, LOS GATOS, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 76,879 SHARES OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(JAMES RIVER CORP. TEL: 804 644-5411)

-30- 405
#90249c0104 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RUSSELL A GIRARD OF 5 CONCORD DR, ORCHARD PARK, NY 14127, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,317 SHARES OF CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. (TICKER: CDIC) THROUGH MARINE MIDLAND BANK. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. TEL: 614 761-8700)

-30- 437
#90249c0105 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORMAN W ACHEN OF 43805 VILLA DE SUR DR, TEMECULA, CA 92390, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,894 SHARES OF NICHOLS INSTITUTE (TICKER: LAB) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(NICHOLS INSTITUTE TEL: 714 661-8000)

-30- 418
#90249c0106 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BEVERIDGE CRAWFORD TRUST OF 2550 GARCIA AVE, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043 HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC (TICKER: SUNW)

THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC TEL: 415 960-1300)

-30- 445
#90249c0107 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAKE CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST OF 7 POWDER HORN LANE, WARREN, NJ 07060, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CELGENE CORP. (TICKER: CELG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 30, 1990.

(CELGENE CORP. TEL: 201 271-1001)

-30- 438
#90249c0108 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD F CLEMENT JR OF 41 A HICKORY HILL, ARGYLE, TX 76226, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 30, 1990.

(URANIUM RESOURCES INC. TEL: 214 934-7777)

-30- 429
#90249c0109 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERICKSON ROBERT S REV TRUST OF 6700 FRANCE AVE SOUTH, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55435, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF TECHNALYSIS CORP. (TICKER: TECN) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(TECHNALYSIS CORP. TEL: 612 925-5900)

-30- 442
#90249c0110 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL D BROUDE OF 26 ORCHARD CROSSING, ANDOVER, MA 01810, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF CANDELA LASER CORP. (TICKER: CLZR) THROUGH TUCKER

ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(CANDELA LASER CORP. TEL: 508 358-7637)

-30- 409
#90249c0112 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MORTY ROSENKRANZ OF 680 N LAKESHORE DR, #918 SOUTH RESIDENCE, CHICAGO, IL 60611, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(STONE CONTAINER CORP. TEL: 312 346-6600)

-30- 441
#90249c0113 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELLIOT SCHWARTZ OF 6604 HANA RD, EDISON, NJ 08817, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF NOVEN PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: NOVN) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(NOVEN PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 305 253-5099)

-30- 425
#90249c0114 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARWOOD SHEPARD OF P O BOX 42346, PHOENIX, AZ 85080, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,850 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 396
#90249c0115 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROTHSCHILD TRUST MANAGEMENT OF 1 LAGOON DR, REDWOOD CITY, CA 94065, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF VERIFONE INC. (TICKER: VFIC) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(VERIFONE INC. TEL: 415 591-6500)

-30- 424
#90249c0116 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRENDAN A MCLAUGHLIN OF 1817 LACKLAND DR, DANVILLE, CA 94526, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 433-3340)

-30- 437
#90249c0117 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AKSA COMMERCIAL BUSINESS LTD OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025 HAS FILED TO SELL 3,128 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 439
#90249c0118 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD D PENCE OF 5080 SPECTRUM DR WEST, SUITE 300, DALLAS, TX 75248, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. (TICKER: MEDC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. TEL: 214 851-2607)

-30- 431
#90249c0120 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES J MOHR OF C/O THE COLONIAL GROUP INC, ONE FINANCIAL CENTER[B, BOSTON, MA 02111, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(COLONIAL GROUP INC. TEL: 617 426-3750)

-30- 446
#90249c0121 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MIDDLEWEST VENTURES LP OF 20 NORTH MERIDIAN, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46209, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF NEOGEN CORP. (TICKER: NEOG) THROUGH EQUITABLE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(NEOGEN CORP. TEL: 517 372-9200)

-30- 413
#90249c0122 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER A HOWLEY OF 305 CASCADE DR, MILL VALLEY, CA 94941, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 415 777-0477)

-30- 434
#90249c0123 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LLOYD B EMBRY OF P O BOX 101 EVERGREEN WAY, 0, EVERETT, WA 98204, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 415
#90249c0124 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER L JOHNSON OF 2121 SAGE, SUITE 145, HOUSTON, TX 77056, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF THE NAVIGATORS GROUP INC. (TICKER: NAVG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(THE NAVIGATORS GROUP INC. TEL: 212 809-3710)

-30- 428
#90249c0125 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - JONATHAN R BOND OF 7827 IDLEWOOD, DALLAS, TX 75230, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,500 SHARES OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. (TICKER: MEDC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. TEL: 214 490-3190)

-30- 419
#90249c0126 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD P YOUNKIN OF 5595 TANGAREY CT, 0, COLUMBUS, OH 43235, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,055 SHARES OF DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DYCO) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 614 443-7421)

-30- 421
#90249c0128 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL MINIKES OF 960 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. TEL: 212 272-2000)

-30- 433
#90249c0129 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY A AGRON OF 6950 EAST BELLEVIEW AVE, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN CREDIT OPTICAL INC. (TICKER: ACOI) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(AMERICAN CREDIT OPTICAL INC. TEL: 817 332-4008)

-30- 452
#90249c0130 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W MICHAEL HUMPHREYS OF ONE INTERNATIONAL PLACE, C/O MATRIX PARTNERS, STE BOSTON, MA 02110, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,412 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 408 441-2200)

-30- 488
#90249c0131 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COGEPAG OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,378 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 400
#90249c0132 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID P RODGERS OF 15450 SW KNOLL PKWY, BEAVERTON, OR 97006, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,000 SHARES OF SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SQNT) THROUGH BLACK & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 503 626-5700)

-30- 444
#90249c0133 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAYMOND L LARSON OF P O BOX 3085, FARGO, ND 58108, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,376 SHARES OF HIGH PLAINS CORP. (TICKER: HIPC) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(HIGH PLAINS CORP. TEL: 316 260-4310)

-30- 403
#90249c0134 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL M COOK OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG #1, SUITE 185, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. (TICKER:

CMFB) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. TEL: 603 424-9000)

-30- 443
#90249c0136 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDGAR J MARSTON OF 1200 SMITH ST STE 2400, HOUSTON, TX 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,862 SHARES OF SOUTHDOWN INC. (TICKER: SDW) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(SOUTHDOWN INC. TEL: 713 650-6200)

-30- 401
#90249c0137 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAPITAL PROPERTIES LTD OF 323 CENTER ST, LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 433-3340)

-30- 441
#90249c0138 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANIL SHARDA OF 5941 SITTING BULL PL, SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(INCOMNET INC. TEL: 818 707-4141)

-30- 401
#90249c0139 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BARRY L SERVER OF 3251B NORMANDY WOODS DR, ELLICOTT CITY, MD 21043, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CHOICES ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: CECS) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(CHOICES ENTERTAINMENT CORP. TEL: 301 644-3100)

-30- 449
#90249c0140 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SPENST HANSEN OF 3805 ALTURUS WEST, TACOMA, WA 98466, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CENTURION MINES CORP. (TICKER: CTMC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(CENTURION MINES CORP. TEL: 801 534-1120)

-30- 410
#90249c0141 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFFREY I KOLSKY OF 1909 EVVA DR, SCHENECTADY, NY 12303, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MARROW-TECH INC. (TICKER: MARO) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(MARROW-TECH INC. TEL: 619 450-5730)

-30- 405
#90249c0142 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALTER F BAUER OF 15935 VALLEY VISTA, ENCINO, CA 91436, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 818 706-8989)

-30- 442
#90249c0144 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY D.A. KASS OWNS 1,167,700 SHARES (18.40%) OF H.H. ROBERTSON CO (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 30, 1990, Kass, Dak and Acquisition filed schedules 14B with the SEC indicating their present intent to commence a solicitation of proxies in opposition to management and against the proposed merger of the company with CECO Industries Inc. D.A. Kass presently intend to solicit proxies with respect to the proposed special meeting of shareholders to be called by the company. D.A. Kass also intend to seek proxies to adopt a precatory resolution urging the company board to consider other possible means of serving the interest of the company, including alternative business combinations that would be more advantageous. On Sept. 4, 1990, DAK made a written demand to the company for the right to inspect and examine all data available to the company with respect to its shareholders, shareholdings, share register, current shareholders' list and all books and records relating to such shareholders, and to make copies or extracts of material and information.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 30 and 31, 1990 DAK purchased 4,100 and 8,800 shares at a price of $9.60 to $9.67 per share, respectively.

PURPOSE:

Filing of schedules 14B with the SEC indicating intent to commence a solicitation of proxies.

-30- 1571
#90249c0145 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY K.W. GALBRAITH OF WAYNE, PA OWNS 299,700 SHARES (8.10%) OF AFFILIATED BANC CORP (TICKER: ABCV) OF HOLYOKE, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Due to the losses sustained by K.W. Galbraith with respect to their investments in the common stock, K.W. Galbraith intend to pursue appropriate legal redress for such losses as a result of wrongful acts of others, unless such matters are resolved to K.W. Galbraith s' satisfaction. In this regard, K.W. Galbraith requested their counsel to forward a letter to Affiliated Banc Corp. and certain present and past members of Affiliated Banc Corp.'s board, making a written demand for relief. In August 1990, Mr. Galbraith requested that Affiliated Banc Corp. provide him with a list of Affiliated Banc Corp.'s shareholders and, by letter dated Aug. 28, 1990, Affiliated Banc Corp. requested Mr. Galbraith to provide Affiliated Banc Corp. with additional information under

Massachusetts law before it provides such list to Mr. Galbraith. As yet, Mr. Galbraith and counsel have not responded to Affiliated Banc Corp.'s letter.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1319
#90249c0146 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

FURMAN SELZ MERCHANT PARTNERS LP OWNS 424,300 SHARES (9.24%) OF COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INC (TICKER: CRV) OF SAN JOSE, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 20-28, 1990, FSMP acquired 51,000 shares at a price of $3.63 to $4.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

-30- 499
#90249c0147 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

LIVINGSTON & CO OWNS 930,651 SHARES (9.20%) OF COMPREHENSIVE CARE CORP (TICKER: CMP) OF CHESTERFIELD, MO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 20, 1990 the incumbent board of directors of Comprehensive Care Corp. was removed and six nominees of the shareholders committee, of which Livingston & Co. was a member, were elected to Comprehebsive Care Corp.'s board. On Aug. 27, 1990 the board expanded to eight members and the seventh nominee of the shareholders committee was elected to the board. The shareholders committee has subsequently been disbanded; Livingston & Co. is no longer part of the filing group.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 26 and June 27, 1990 Livingston & Co. sold 84,000 shares at $2.38 to $2.68 per share. Between June 18 and Sept. 4, 1990 Livingston & Co. purchased 245,850 shares at $1.88 to $2.68 per share. Livingston & Co. has also sold 107 convertible debentures at $235 to $240 each and purchased 5,434 convertible debentures at $240 to $280 each.

PURPOSE:

Increase of investment in Comprehensive Care Corp.

-30- 1267
#90249c0148 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GROUP LED BY D.C. WALENTAS OWNS 336,100 SHARES (6.86%) OF BUILDERS TRANSPORT INC (TICKER: TRUK) OF CAMDEN, SC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 6, 1990 Walentas sent a letter to the SEC requesting an SEC investigation regarding information with Walentas believes casts doubt on the legitimacy of a Feb. 26, 1990 proposal for a business combination between Builders Transport Inc. and Comcar Industries Inc. Walentas stated that he had received a phone call from an industry executive who said a Comcar official had stated that a Feb. 1990 letter of intent between Builders Transport Inc. and Comcar relating to the sale of Builders Transport Inc. at $15 per share to Comcar was signed by Comcar as a favor to Charles C. Gay Sr. At the time, Gay was the chairman and CEO of Builders Transport Inc.

PURPOSE:

Request for an SEC investigation into Builders Transport Inc.

-30- 1089
#90249c0149 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 21

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 4, 1990 the independent committee met to review the tender offer made by Eastern Utilities Associates to purchase all of Fitchburg Gas & Electric Light Co.(TICKER: FGE) common shares at $36 per share in an offer to purchase dated April 24, 1989. The committee reaffirmed its previous determination that the offer is not in the best interest of Fitchburg Gas & Electric Light Co. or its stockholders. At a Sept. 5 meeting, the board of directors of Fitchburg Gas & Electric Light Co. met to consider the recommendation of the committee to explore if there exists additional alternatives to the offer, which it subsequently authorized.

-30- 893
#90249c0150 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

C. ELSENER OWNS 370,041 SHARES (9.40%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

C. Elsener acquired 9 shares on Aug. 20, 1990 through a corporate distribution and on Aug. 24, 1990, acquired 112,000 shares for $5.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 501
#90249c0152 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 4, 1990, the defendants in Justin Industries Inc. v. Choctaw Securities LP et al. filed a motion for leave to file their first amended counterclaim and third party claims for injunctive relief. In the counterclaim, the Southerland Group states that it is attempting to set aside acts by the management of Justin such as the proposed acquisition of the company and asks the court to set aside the election of directors at the March 1990 annual meeting of Justin and that the directors have not had the authority to act for Justin since the election.

-30- 802
#90249c0154 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mack and Renault announced on Sept. 6, 1990 that they have entered into a definitive merger agreement which allows Renault to acquire the remaining shares of Mack Truck Inc.(TICKER: MACK) it does not own for $6.25 per share in cash. The offer has also been extended until Sept. 20, 1990 and has been approved by Mack's special committee and its financial advisor.

-30- 600
#90249c0155 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Trendex Capital Management sent a letter, dated Aug. 24, 1990, to the outside directors of the Lionel Corp.(TICKER: LIO) stating Trendex's concern with the company's relationship with Isaac Perlmutter and entities he controls. In view of the fact that Lionel's stock price is near an all time low and the fact that second quarter losses of thirty five cents per share, Trendex believes the company faces serious business challenges and that the board should act quickly to restore management credibility and accountability before these effects may be disastrous for the company and all of its constituencies. In the absence of a response by the board that

would address these concerns, Trendex will be forced to consider other action, including possibly seeking board representation.

-30- 1031
#90249c0156 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

P. NORTON OWNS 2,857,234 SHARES (31.80%) OF SYMANTEC CORP (TICKER: SYMC) OF CUPERTINO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 23, 1990 and on Aug. 28, 1990, PNCI's and Symantec's shareholders, respectively, approved the terms of the merger agreements pursuant to which each outstanding share of PNCI common stock was automatically converted into 1.949 of a share of Symantec common stock. As a result, Symantec issued approximately 2,857,234 shares of its common stock to P. Norton. The merger became effective by the filing of the merger agreement with both the California and Delaware secretaries of state on Aug. 31, 1990, at which time PNCI ceased to exist. Pursuant to an escrow agreement entered into among Symantec, PNCI, the reporting person and First Interstate Bank, Symantec withheld 286,400 of the shares of Symantec common stock issuable to the reporting person in the merger in an escrow as collateral for P. Norton's indemnification obligations under the plan and the lawsuit with Fifth Generation Systems. Pursuant to a registration rights agreement dated Aug. 31, 1990 by and between Symantec, P. Norton, investors listed on schedule A and B, Symantec granted the other parties registration rights with respect to shares of Symantec held by each party. Also, pursuant to a director nominee agreement as of Aug. 31, 1990, P. Norton is entitled to appoint three directors to Symantec's board and to thereafter nominate up to three out of the eight members of Symantec's board.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares/merger agreement.

-30- 1754
#90249c0157 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY BOMARKO INC OF PLYMOUTH, IN OWNS 1,198,300 SHARES (7.60%) OF INTL TELECHARGE INC (TICKER: ITI) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 19, 1990 through Aug. 23, 1990, the Bomarko purchased 737,400 shares at a price of $1.03 to $1.41 per share.

-30- 467
#90249c0158 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

F.J. JAINDL OWNS 544,375 SHARES (19.88%) OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC (TICKER: SVRN) OF WYOMISSING, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 27, 1990 through Aug. 30, 1990, F.J. Jaindl purchased 18,000 shares at a price of $10.88 to $11.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 478
#90249c0159 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

BOMARKO INC OF PLYMOUTH, IN OWNS 183,000 SHARES (4.60%) OF HEMODYNAMICS INC (TICKER: HMDY) OF BOCA RATON, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Bomarko Inc. intends to seek further information in order to make a determination whether management and the board have fully performed their legal and fiduciary duties and whether the financial condition and performance of Hemodynamics Inc. are results of mismangement or other culpable conduct.

-30- 624
#90249c0161 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 19, 1990, R.J. VANDERHIEL, DIR. OF CITIZENS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. SOLD 371 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,317.

-30- 314
#90249c0162 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, N.A. LAMB, PRES. OF CALIFORNIA ENGELS MINING CO. SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90249c0163 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, N.A. LAMB, PRES. OF CALIFORNIA ENGELS MINING CO. BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 317
#90249c0164 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 1, 1990, R.H. POWELL, DIR. OF GULF & SOUTHERN FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 314
#90249c0165 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 1, 1990, E.B. STRAYHORN, DIR. OF GULF & SOUTHERN FINANCIAL CORP. SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90249c0166 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 22, 1990, E.B. STRAYHORN, DIR. OF GULF & SOUTHERN FINANCIAL CORP. SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,400.

-30- 325
#90249c0167 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, T.F. MAIER, DIR. OF NORTHWESTERN DRUG CO. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 297
#90249c0169 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, D. BAKER, OFFICER OF CCC CODED COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: CCCCF) SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90249c0170 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALLEN WEINTRAUB, PRES. OF THE ADVEST GROUP INC. (TICKER: ADV), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90249c0171 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ALLEN WEINTRAUB, PRES. OF THE ADVEST GROUP INC. (TICKER: ADV), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90249c0172 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALLEN WEINTRAUB, PRES. OF THE ADVEST GROUP INC. (TICKER: ADV), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90249c0173 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALLEN WEINTRAUB, PRES. OF THE ADVEST GROUP INC. (TICKER: ADV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90249c0174 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ALLEN WEINTRAUB, PRES. OF THE ADVEST GROUP INC. (TICKER: ADV), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90249c0175 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ALLEN WEINTRAUB, PRES. OF THE ADVEST GROUP INC. (TICKER: ADV), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,924.

-30- 312
#90249c0177 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT E SWITZ, VP OF BURR-BROWN CORP. (TICKER: BBRC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 294
#90249c0178 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, SIDNEY JENNETTE JR, DIR. OF BANK SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: BKSO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,184.

-30- 310
#90249c0179 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, NINA J GALLOWAY, OFFICER OF BURNHAM PACIFIC PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BPP), BOUGHT 660 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,586.

-30- 343
#90249c0180 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HENRY RASMUSSEN JR, DIR. OF BURNHAM PACIFIC PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BPP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 84,753.

-30- 342
#90249c0181 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, JOHN H DARNALL JR, PRES. OF BIO VASCULAR INC. (TICKER: BVAS), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90249c0182 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, JOHN H DARNALL JR, PRES. OF BIO VASCULAR INC. (TICKER: BVAS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 319
#90249c0183 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JOHN J CAHILL, DIR. OF CITIZENS FIRST BANCORP INC. (NJ) (TICKER: CFB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 337
#90249c0185 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PRODYODTH K CHATTERJEE, VP OF COMERICA INC. (TICKER: CMCA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 306
#90249c0186 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LARRY G GARBERDING, VP OF DETROIT EDISON CO. (TICKER: DTE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 309
#90249c0187 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, DONALD P KENNEDY, PRES. OF FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FAMR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90249c0188 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DONALD P KENNEDY, PRES. OF FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FAMR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 267,557.

-30- 337
#90249c0189 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DAVID L BURNS, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP.(NC) (TICKER: FBNC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 862.

-30- 308
#90249c0190 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DAVID L BURNS, PRES. OF FIRST BANCORP.(NC) (TICKER: FBNC), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,810.

-30- 314
#90249c0191 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CLIFFORD ALAN WILSON, VP OF FIRST VIRGINIA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FVB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 842.

-30- 320
#90249c0193 09/06/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, KATHRYN C HACH, CHAIRMAN OF HACH CO. (TICKER: HACH), SOLD 21,875 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,584,498.

-30- 306
#90249c0194 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, STUART O KEIRLE, VP OF HARPER GROUP INC. (TICKER: HARG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 306
#90249c0195 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, KIRTLAND C GARDNER III, DIR. OF HUNTER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HESI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90249c0196 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ROBERT O WHITE, DIR. OF HOMETOWN BANCORP. (TICKER: HTWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 315
#90249c0197 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RUDOLPH ARKIN, CHAIRMAN OF INDEPENDENCE FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK (TICKER: IFSB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,000.

-30- 345
#90249c0198 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 03, 1986, GARY H SEE, OFFICER OF INTERNATIONAL DAIRY QUEEN INC. (TICKER: INDQ), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90249c0199 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 09, 1986, GARY H SEE, OFFICER OF INTERNATIONAL DAIRY QUEEN INC. (TICKER: INDQ), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 319
#90249c0201 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1989, LARRY M CLARK, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 13,332 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90249c0202 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 07, 1989, ALLAN E DALSHAUG, DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,300.

-30- 307
#90249c0203 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 13, 1989, ALLAN E DALSHAUG, DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,828.

-30- 309
#90249c0204 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 19, 1989, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 28,000 SHARES AT $49.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90249c0205 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1989, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 48,500 SHARES AT $48.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90249c0206 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 23, 1989, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 23,500 SHARES AT $48.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,915,000.

-30- 326
#90249c0207 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1989, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $58.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,815,000.

-30- 328
#90249c0209 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90249c0210 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 2,900 SHARES AT $29.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90249c0211 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 12,600 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286

#90249c0212 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 22,500 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90249c0213 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 12,800 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90249c0214 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90249c0215 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90249c0217 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ROBERT Y GREENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,529,700.

-30- 326
#90249c0218 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 03, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $30.36 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90249c0219 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 03, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $30.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90249c0220 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 03, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $31.24 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90249c0221 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 03, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $31.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90249c0222 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 03, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90249c0223 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 10, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $33.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90249c0225 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 10, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $33.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 109,200.

-30- 335
#90249c0226 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 6,100 SHARES AT $48.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90249c0227 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $49.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90249c0228 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $49.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90249c0229 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 2,100 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90249c0230 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $48.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90249c0231 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $49.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90249c0233 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 21,500 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90249c0234 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 15,400 SHARES AT $42.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90249c0235 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $42.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90249c0236 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90249c0237 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 18, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 16,900 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90249c0238 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 18, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $43.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,000.

-30- 325
#90249c0239 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 08, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90249c0241 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 11, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90249c0242 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 11, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90249c0243 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 11, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 4,400 SHARES AT $30.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90249c0244 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 11, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90249c0245 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 12, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $28.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90249c0246 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 12, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 3,300 SHARES AT $28.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90249c0247 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 12, 1989, ELLIOT J HOROWITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90249c0249 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 25, 1989, RALPH D HULIT, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $27.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,466.

-30- 293
#90249c0250 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, ANGELO MACCANO, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $39.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90249c0251 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, ANGELO MACCANO, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 1,518 SHARES AT $39.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90249c0252 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, ANGELO MACCANO, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $39.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90249c0253 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, ANGELO MACCANO, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 11,200 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90249c0254 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, ANGELO MACCANO, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 11,800 SHARES AT $40.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90249c0255 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 13, 1989, RICHARD W SCHUBERT, DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 305
#90249c0257 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, GIL N SCHWARTZBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $40.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90249c0258 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, GIL N SCHWARTZBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,100 SHARES AT $40.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90249c0259 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, GIL N SCHWARTZBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.)

INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 11,200 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90249c0260 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, GIL N SCHWARTZBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $39.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90249c0261 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, GIL N SCHWARTZBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 2,900 SHARES AT $39.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90249c0262 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, GIL N SCHWARTZBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 7,100 SHARES AT $39.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90249c0263 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, GIL N SCHWARTZBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 4,100 SHARES AT $39.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90249c0265 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, GIL N SCHWARTZBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 11,400 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 341
#90249c0266 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, KEVIN J VENTRUDO, OFFICER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $30.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 309
#90249c0267 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 31, 1989, DONALD B WASLEY, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90249c0268 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 31, 1989, DONALD B WASLEY, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 4,800 SHARES AT $32.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90249c0269 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 31, 1989, DONALD B WASLEY, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90249c0270 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 31, 1989, DONALD B WASLEY, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $32.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90249c0271 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 31, 1989, DONALD B WASLEY, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $33.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90249c0273 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1989, DONALD B WASLEY, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 18,800 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90249c0274 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1989, DONALD B WASLEY, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $33.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90249c0275 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1989, DONALD B WASLEY, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 9,998 SHARES AT $33.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90249c0276 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 11, 1990, DONALD B WASLEY, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 40,004 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90249c0277 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 15, 1988, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 485,000.

-30- 304
#90249c0278 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 05, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 480,000.

-30- 304

#90249c0279 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 02, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90249c0281 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 02, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90249c0282 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 03, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90249c0283 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 07, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $33.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90249c0284 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 07, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $33.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90249c0285 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 07, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $34.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 285

#90249c0286 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 10, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, SHAREHOLDER OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 435,000.

-30- 323
#90249c0287 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 31, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 430,000.

-30- 304
#90249c0289 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 07, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $37.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90249c0290 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 07, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $37.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90249c0291 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 19, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 9,300 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90249c0292 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 19, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $41.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90249c0293 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 26, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $41.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90249c0294 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 27, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $43.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 390,000.

-30- 306
#90249c0295 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 02, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90249c0297 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $46.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90249c0298 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $48.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90249c0299 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 25, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $50.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90249c0300 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $52.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 340,000.

-30- 306
#90249c0301 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 02, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $54.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90249c0302 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 02, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $54.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90249c0303 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 02, 1989, STEPHEN WILLIAMS, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $55.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 330,000.

-30- 304
#90249c0305 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JAMES P KERICH, CHAIRMAN OF MALLARD COACH CO. (TICKER: MALC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 318
#90249c0306 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GERALD K PILMORE, OFFICER OF MALLARD COACH CO. (TICKER: MALC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 318
#90249c0307 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, EDWIN J GOSS, DIR. OF MERCHANTS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MCHN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 311
#90249c0308 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, PETER S KNIGHT, OFFICER OF MEDICIS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. (TICKER: MDRX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 329
#90249c0309 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES M DOW, PRES. OF MICROCOM INC. (TICKER: MNPI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

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#90249c0310 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JAMES M DOW, PRES. OF MICROCOM INC. (TICKER: MNPI), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 324,877.

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#90249c0311 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 24, 1989, DONALD P GOLD, PRES. OF NANTUCKET INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 260,511.

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#90249c0313 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DONALD W ROPP, DIR. OF PALFED INC. (TICKER: PALM), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

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#90249c0314 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DONALD W ROPP, DIR. OF PALFED INC. (TICKER: PALM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,461.

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#90249c0315 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PAUL A MILLER, DIR. OF PACIFIC ENTERPRISES (TICKER: PET), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $38.88 PER SHARE.

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#90249c0316 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PAUL A MILLER, DIR. OF PACIFIC ENTERPRISES (TICKER: PET), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $38.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,051.

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#90249c0317 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FRANK E RITCHEY, DIR. OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

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#90249c0318 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, FRANK E RITCHEY, DIR. OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES

(TICKER: PWB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,139.

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#90249c0319 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM B PHILIPBAR JR, DIR. OF ROLLINS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: REN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,692.

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#90249c0321 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT F ORTEGEL, VP OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,002.

-30- 318
#90249c0322 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN M MUSGRAVE, OFFICER OF SONAT INC. (TICKER: SNT), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $52.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,209.

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#90249c0323 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 07, 1990, RONALD E HANOCK, OFFICER OF VENTURA COUNTY NATL BANCORP. (TICKER: VCNB), BOUGHT 454 SHARES AT $8.17 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 887.

-30- 337
#90249c0324 09/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 07, 1990, NANCY J JACKSON, VP OF VENTURA COUNTY NATL BANCORP. (TICKER: VCNB), BOUGHT 240 SHARES AT $8.17 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 562.

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#90249d0000 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (SEPT 6) - Gambian President Dawda Jawara, chairman of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) arrived here Thursday for talks with Ghanaian head of state Jerry Rawlings on Liberia's bloody civil war.

The two leaders immediately began closed-door talks on the eight-month conflict at the international airport along with ECOWAS Executive Secretary Abass Bundu who is accompanying the Gambian president on a sub-regional tour.

ECOWAS sent a peacekeeping force made up of troops from Ghana, the Gambia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone and Guinea into the Liberian capital Monrovia August 24.

The force, led by Ghanaian commander Arnold Quainoo, has reportedly encountered financial and logistical problems.

Last week Liberian politicians and religious leaders met in the Gambian capital Banjul to chose an interim government to serve until elections can be held.

The conference did not officially announce the new leaders, who will not be allowed to stand for elections, but sources close to the Banjul meeting said the participants chose former political science professor Amos Sawyer as acting president and Lutheran Bishop Ronald Diggs as vice-president.

Sir Dawda Jawara, who has already been to Senegal and Burkina Faso, is expected to fly to Guinea and Sierra Leone later in the day.

Last month Togo called for a special summit of the 16 ECOWAS heads of state to discuss the Liberian crisis. Nigeria and Burkina Faso have officially supported the meeting.

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#90249d0150 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (SEPT. 6) - Zambia Consolidated Copper Mines (ZCCM) made a net profit of 1,329 million kwachas (41.5 million dollars) for the quarter ended June 30, compared with 372 million kwachas (11.6 million dollars) for the same period of last year, a company spokesman announced Thursday.

In a statement released to AFP, the spokesman said ZCCM recorded a profit on metal trading of 5,738 million kwachas for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, against one of 1,153 million kwachas in the corresponding quarter of 1989.

The statement also said sales revenue for the April-June 1990 quarter of 14,329 million kwachas represented an increase of 174 percent over the 5,234 million kwachas achieved in the same quarter last year. ''This is mainly as a result of the higher price realisation on copper and the effect of the devaluation of the kwacha during the period under review,'' said the statement.

It added that copper production for the quarter in question, at 94,759 tonnes, was 21,149 tons lower than the 115,908 tons achieved in the corresponding quarter of 1989. Copper accounts for 90 percent of Zambia's export revenue.

-30- 1325

#90249d0210 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 6) - Western industrial nations and Japan, facing higher oil prices as a result of the Gulf crisis, must respond by curbing any rebound in inflation as a matter of priority, OECD Secretary General Jean-Claude Paye said Wednesday.

"We must above all prevent a surge in inflation," he told Agence France-Presse, adding that "This (inflation) would lead us straight into stagflation."

"Stagflation" is the economists' term for a situation of low or stagnating growth combined with high inflation, as experienced by the 24 industrial states in the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in the wake of the 1973-74 and 1979 oil shocks.

For the moment, OECD countries are not faced with an "oil shock, but a tremor", Mr Paye said, commenting on the rise in crude oil prices since the August 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq. "There has been no panic," he added.

If the situation does not change significantly in the period ahead, the additional cost of imported crude "would add between one half and one percentage point to inflation" in the OECD countries over a period of six to 12 months,
after which the effect would begin to taper off, he said.

The OECD official said the aggregate economic growth of the 24 countries "may be reduced by one-half of a percentage point."

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#90249d0260 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 6) - Coffee futures prices reached their highest level for three months here Thursday, after a technical breakout in New York overnight triggered a similarly inspired jump in London.

Coffee for November delivery, the most actively traded contract, reached 639 pounds per ton in mid-afternon trading here, up from 617 at the close of trading on Wednesday.

The market has been edging ahead since the start of the week, and Thursday's climb came despite an increase in sterling's value against the dollar.

Traders here had predicted a strong climb if the November contract could reach a perceived resistance level of 616 pounds per ton. This point was reached early Wednesday, and operators now expect a spike to 660 or even 700 pounds.

According to analysts, there are fundamental factors behind the climb, which include concern over the availability of finer types of coffee from Colombia and Brazil, at a time when roasters, particularly in the United States, are gearing up for winter processing and look ready to start buying programmes.

The Brazilian harvest, already three-quarters done, is yielding less than expected, they say.

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#90249d0300 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) - Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy met with President George Bush Thursday and later insisted that Israel be accorded the same aid treatment as Egypt, which Mr. Bush has said deserves special help for its role in the current Gulf crisis.

The White House did not disclose the content of their 15-minute meeting, which had not been scheduled on the foreign minister's agenda. Mr. Levy said they had discussed "common goals."

"Aid to Egypt is linked to the aid to Israel and I hope there will not be a different attitude toward us than toward Egypt," Mr. Levy told reporters after the meeting.

The prime minister was expected to broach the subject Thursday in meetings scheduled with members of the foreign affairs committees of the Senate and House of Representatives.

Israel owes the United States a military debt of 4.5 billion dollars. Mr. Bush has decided to ask Congress to forgive Egypt's debt of nearly seven billion dollars as a reward for Cairo's support in the Gulf crisis.

Asked whether Israel would seek additional U.S. military aid, Mr. Levy

replied, "We didn't come here to talk about money."

Mr. Levy is on his first official visit to the United States as foreign minister.

The New York Times, citing U.S. administration officials, reported Thursday that Secretary of State James Baker had not offered to wipe out Israel's debt in his first meeting here with Mr. Levy Wednesday.

Both men were in accord on resuming the peace process for the Middle East initiated by Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir in May 1989.

But they rejected any link between the Israeli-Palestinian problem and the Gulf crisis sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait August 2.

"Peace will come to the Middle East only when the Arab states end their state of war against Israel," Mr. Levy said Thursday.

He said the Palestinian question "is not only an Israeli issue but also an issue that has to be dealt with by the Arab states," he said. "We have agreed to act on both parallel roads."

Mr. Levy also met Thursday with White House national security adviser Brent Scowcroft for talks the foreign minister called "fruitful ... creative."

"The United States does not have a better friend -- more loyal, stable and credible -- than Israel," Mr. Levy emphasized.

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#90249d0330 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (SEPT. 6) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

	cash		forward	
Copper	1,571.00	(1,526.00)	1,520.50	(1,504.50)
Lead	463.50	(458.50)	463.50	(459.50)
Zinc Sh	1,572.50	(1,562.50)	1,492.50	(1,495.50)
Tin	5,780.00	(5,760.00)	5,895.00	(5,877.50)
Aluminium	1,969.00	(1,909.00)	1,949.00	(1,918.50)
Nickel	10,950.00	(10,825.00)	10,812.00	(10,687.00)

(the last three in dollars per ton)

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#90249d0360 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Stockholm (SEPT. 6) - A letter bomb exploded Thursday in the Swedish city of Vaesteraas, killing a 41-year-old Kurdish woman from Iran as she opened her mailbox.

A police spokesman noted Sweden had recently seen a growing number of conflicts between Kurds from Iraq and Iran, but said the authorities had no clue as to the sender of the letter bomb.

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#90249d0400 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (SEPT 6) - President Najibullah returned from France late Wednesday after attending a United Nations conference on the least developed countries, state radio reported Thursday.

Mr. Najibullah's return was kept a secret for security reasons and Radio Kabul did not give details.

The 43-year-old president had left for Paris Monday amid speculation that he might try to hold peace talks in France with moderate leaders from the mujahedeen resistance fighting his Soviet-backed regime.

It was not immediatly known whether any such meeting took place.

In his address at the conference Wednesday, the Afghan president pleaded for major industrialised countries to provide urgent assistance to help his war-ravaged country rehabilitate its economy.

Last year Mr. Najibullah attended a similar U.N. conference in the United States. Foreign minister Abdul Wakil accompanied the president during the French tour.

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#90249d0500 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 6) - Aluminium prices continued their strong run on the London Metal Exchange (LME) Thursday.

Analysts expect the metal to continue its climb in the fourth quarter, boosted by tight world supply against a background of very little spare refining capacity.

Three-months aluminium was quoted at 1,950 dollars per tonne in afternnon trading, against 1,919 on Wednesday.

Copper firmed in sympathy, despite the depressing effect on its pound-quoted prices of sterling's firm trend against the dollar.

Three-months copper was quoted at 1,521 pounds per tonne in afternoon deals against 1,505 on Wednesday.

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#90249d0560 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (SEPT. 6) - Two people were killed and eight injured Thursday in two bomb blasts in the Somali capital, Mogadishu, Somali radio reported.

The casualties and injuries were in the main post office where the first bomb exploded shortly after opening time.

Minutes later another bomb exploded outside the information ministry, not far from the office of President Mohammed Siad Barre and the police headquarters.

Nobody has claimed responsibilty for the attacks which came a day after the formation of a new government under Mohammed Hawadle Masar, formerly parliamentary vice president and an Issak tribesman from the north of the country.

The main resistence group in Somalia's protracted civil war is the Somali National Movement (Snm) which is chiefly supported by the Issaks. Hawadle Madar's appointment was seen in Mogadishi as a peace gesture towards the rebels.

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#90249d0700 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT 6) - French President Francois Mitterrand said Thursday that countries wishing to tighten a U.N. embargo against Iraq could close their airspace to aircraft suspected of sanctions busting.

He also told a news conference that it was "very probable" that he would go to the Gulf, where France has sent 14 warships, although no date had been set.

Insisting that France would keep to measures ordered by five U.N. resolutions aimed at rolling back the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, Mr. Mitterrand said a further U.N. decision to impose an air embargo against Baghdad would not be necessary.

Pointing out that the embargo already decided was "general", he said: "This can be settled simply... If countries wishing to enforce the embargo ban the overflight of their territories, this would be really effective."

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas and, separately, his British counterpart Douglas Hurd had earlier this week raised the possibility of extending the naval embargo to the skies. U.S. Secretary of State James Baker on Wednesday also mentioned such a prospect.

But Mr. Mitterrand, speaking at his third news conference on the Gulf crisis since the Iraqi invasion, said he did not think that the embargo violations were "very large".

Turning to the U.S.-Soviet summit in Helsinki on Sunday, Mr. Mitterrand said he hoped for an "affirmation of solidarity" from U.S. President George Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

Mr. Mitterrand, who spoke to both presidents by telephone on Thursday, said he was "expecting a great deal" from the summit, and thought there was no "real threat" of a divergence between the U.S. and Soviet leaders.

"We need to know if both are sufficiently in harmony" on the response to Iraq, he said, and dismissed a suggestion that the superpowers might decide on a military intervention.

Mr. Mitterrand stressed that in the case of a U.S. military intervention against Iraq, he would only engage French troops "to execute the orders of the United Nations".

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#90249d0750 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (SEPT 6) - Bangladesh said Thursday it has lined up more than 90 special flights during the next three weeks to bring home some 30,000 of its nationals stranded in Jordan, Turkey and Saudi Arabia after fleeing Kuwait.

Government spokesman Mustafizur Rahman said here that the national flag carrier Biman would operate 63 flights from Amman, Riyadh and the Turkish city of Adana before the end of September carrying 18,000 Bangladeshis.

In addition, 28 special flights chartered by different countries and international organisations on behalf of Bangladesh will operate until September 13 to ferry home another 9,000 Bangladeshis from the three countries, he said.

Some 2,000 more will be carried by the Saudi national carrier by the weekend, he said.

There were more than 75,000 Bangladeshi workers in Kuwait and 25,000 more in Iraq when Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

Officials said some 39,000 Bangladeshis had fled Kuwait and taken shelter in neighbouring Saudi Arabia, Jordan and Turkey where they were awaiting repatriation.

Mr. Rahman said in addition, an unspecified number of Bangladeshis had assembled along Iraq's borders with Jordan and with Turkey, currently closed.

The spokesman said nearly 6,000 stranded Bangladeshis had been flown to Dhaka from the Gulf as of Thursday.

Repatriation officials here said in response to a Bangladeshi request, the European Economic Community had offered 10 chartered flights, and 18 other flights were being financed by United Nations Disaster Relief Organisation the International Organisation for Migration, as well as by Japan, West Germany, Britain and Norway.

They said Biman had almost finalised a deal with the Asia-America Enterprise, a Florida-based company, to charter a 500-seat jumbo jet to airlift the stranded Bangladeshis from the Gulf.

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#90249d0880 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT 6) - An economic recession and political uncertainties are damping the South African business mood, the South African Chamber of Business (SACOB) said here Thursday.

SACOB's Business Confidence Index (BCI) dipped from 92 in July to 91.8 in August -- the same level as in June, according to the BCI report released on Thursday.

The report said the business mood in the latter part of August was shaped by the Gulf crisis and by a sharp increase in black-on-black violence in townships around here which saw some 560 people killed since August 13.

Among the factors affecting profits were cost increases, racial unrest and declines in consumer confidence, the report said.

SACOB said that if oil prices remain at their current levels for some time, growth prospects in South Africa's major trading partners will decline, affecting demand for the country's exports.

The costs of imports will also rise, which will result in lower trade

balances and making it difficult for South Africa to build up its gold and foreign exchange reserves.

On the positive side, South Africa is making progress in reducing inflation, which analysts predict will average 13.7 percent this year, and is gradually rebuilding net reserves, the report added.

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#90249d0900 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT 6) - The Pakistani government has distributed 40 million rupees (1.8 million dollars) to its nationals reaching home from Kuwait, an official statement here said Thursday.

An additional 20 million rupees is to be distributed over the next few days, the statement said.

More than 20,000 Pakistanis, less than a fifth of the number stranded in Kuwait and Iraq, have so far returned home.

Pakistani workers in Kuwait and Iraq had been sending home an estimated 270 million dollars annually.

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#90249d0950 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (SEPT 6) - Gambian President Dawda Jawara said here Thursday that the food situation in war-torn Liberia was "desperate" and called for urgent foreign aid.

Sir Dawda, who is current chairman of the 16-nation Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) said help should come from ECOWAS and the international community.

Speaking to journalists before flying to Guinea and Sierra Leone on a whirlwind sub-regional tour that has taken him to Burkina Faso and Senegal Sir Dawda said he hoped assistance would soon start reaching the needy.

Sir Dawda had earlier held 90 minutes of talks with Ghanaian leader Jerry Rawlings at the Accra international ariport.

Liberia's eight-month rebellion was launched December 24 in northeastern Nimba County by Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front (NPFL) rebels against troops loyal to beleaguered President Samuel Doe.

The Gambian leader said he had earlier asked Burkina Faso President Blaise Compaore to use his influence on rebel leader Charles Taylor to accept the ECWAS peace proposals.

Sir Dawda said Mr. Taylor's claims of misconduct by the peacekeeping force in Liberia were unfounded.

The ECOWAS force, officially named the ceasefire monitoring group (ECOMOG), "has been well-behaved and has been displaying exemplary discipline," he said.

ECOWAS sent its peacekeeping force made up of troops from Ghana, the Gambia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone and Guinea into the Liberian capital Monrovia August 24.

The force, led by Ghanaian commander Arnold Quainoo, has met with resistance from Mr. Taylor's rebels.

Last week Liberian politicians and religious leaders met in the Gambian capital Banjul to chose an interim government to serve until elections can be held.

The conference did not officially announce the new leaders, who will not be allowed to stand for elections, but sources close to the Banjul meeting said the participants chose former political science professor Amos Sawyer as acting president and Lutheran Bishop Ronald Diggs as vice-president.

Last month Togo called for a special summit of the 16 ECOWAS heads of state to discuss the Liberian crisis, which has already claimed more than 5,000 lives. Almost all those killed have been civilians.

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#90249d1010 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (SEPT 6) - Eleven people were injured, including four seriously, and 23 others stopped for questioning by security forces following demonstrations here Thursday, Ivory Coast opposition leaders said.

They said 22 people, including television journalist and member of the Ivorian People's Front (FPI), Georges Koffi, were detained Thursday afternoon at the central police station.

"The police commissioner told us that he was checking their identity," one opposition leader said.

Louis Dakoury, another FPI member, was taken to the national bureau of investigations while one of the injured was hospitalized with a bruised chest.

State radio and television announced earlier Thursday that 12 people had been detained for "identity checks", but gave no casualty figures.

Witnesses said that riot police, backed by troops and gendarmes, used tear gas and truncheons to disperse opposition supporters in the Plateau business and embassy district near President Felix Houphouet-Boigny's residence.

The authorities had declared that Thursday's demonstration called by four opposition parties, the second in a week, was "unauthorized".

Agence France-Presse correspondents said they saw one man beaten and led off to a lorry by some 15 soldiers. Several hundred uniformed men took up stations in the Plateau district overnight and many were still there late Thursday.

The demonstration was called by Laurent Gbagbo of the FPI, Francis Wodie of the Ivorian Workers' Party, Zadi Zaourou of the Union of Social Democrats and Bamba Moriferee of the Socialist Party.

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#90249d1030 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT 6) - Japan's Kawasaki Heavy Industries Ltd. said Thursday that it would participate in production of Airbus Industrie's A-321 passenger plane.

The major Japanse machinery-maker has reached a basic agreement with British Aerospace PLC on the participation, and a formal contract is to be signed in October, Kawasaki Heavy officials said.

Kawasaki Heavy is to undertake production of the fuselage of the 180-seat Airbus aircraft, they added.

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#90249d1210 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (SEPT. 6) - The Angolan authorities expressed "concern" Thursday that two South African naval vessels had docked in the Zairean port of Matadi, in a statement issued through the ANGOP news agency monitored here.

The Luanda government considered that military equipment the South African vessels could unload in the port, some 300 kilometres (190 miles) north of the Angolan capital, could be destined for Angolan rebels.

The statement said the ships had arrived in Matadi on Thursday and indicated that they might be delivering equipment not to the Zairean army but for Jonas Savimbi's National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA).

ANGOP said UNITA received equipment across the border with Zaire, adding that rebel activity in northern Angola had recently increased.

The South African government has dropped military backing for UNITA as part of a regional settlement that provided for Namibian independence and for the phased withdrawal of Cubans supporting the Angolan government.

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#90249d1240 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 6) - British oil company Enterprise Oil announced Thursday that its net profit for the first half of the year jumped by 59 percent to 82 million pounds (155 million dollars), against 51.6 million pounds for the same period last year.

The result, well above the estimates of City oil analysts of around 72 million pounds, came on a 58 percent increase in sales to 207.5 million pounds, against 131.2 million, reflecting the acquisition of some Texas Eastern interests.

Per-share profit for the first half was up 23 percent to 18 pence, against 16.4 pence for the same period last year. An interim dividend of six pence was declared, against 5.25 pence.

The firm said its profit has been influenced favorably by higher income from investments and certain asset sales.

The group produced an average of 116,200 barrels a day during the first half, up 30 percent from the 89,200 barrels a day of the first six months last year.

On the Stock Exchange, Enterprise Oil finished up two pence at 680 pence.

French oil group Elf Aquitaine holds 25 percent of the group.

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#90249d1280 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (SEPT 6) - The mayor in the Andean town of Huancayo called for a general strike Thursday to protest the government's tough austerity measures that have depressed wages while the costs of public services have spiraled.

Pedro Morales, mayor of the central Andean town of Huancayo, some 370 kilometers (230 miles) east of Lima, initiated the strike to protest the costs of public services that have shot up by 1,000 percent.

Mr. Morales' call for a general strike was one of an array of angry

reactions from workers, students and faculty to the economic program announced August 8 which raised prices and taxes and kept wages down.

To ameliorate the effect on workers, the government agreed to bonuses and postponed wage increases. Now, the government, strapped for cash, has been paying salaries by instalment causing exasperation among a growing number of Peruvians.

One month after the program was put into effect, the cost of living has shot up 400 percent and workers have taken to the streets to protest unpaid promised raises and low wages.

Shining Path rebels have capitalized on the student unrest to sow their own confusion, dynamiting Wednesday the car belonging to the president of the National Agrarian University. No one was injured in the bombing.

The country's 48 universities have been shutting down services and are on the edge of total collapse, said Javier Soto Nadal, who heads the National Assembly of University Presidents.

Some protesting Transportation Ministry workers were beaten in clashes with police. Displaying bruises and welts on his body, one protestor said, "All we wanted was half of what they owed us for August, which were starvation wages anyway."

Some 3,500 workers for the state-owned Mining Peru kept up their strike Thursday, demanding that the government pay the salaries that were owed them.

Meanwhile, the Banking Employees Federation said that it would wait until Tuesday before its 35,000 workers went on an indefinite national strike for salary demands.

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#90249d1300 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 6) - Two men calmly walked up to black commuters at a central railway station here late Thursday and opened fire on the crowd, killing five people and injuring nine, police said.

Police spokesman Colonel Frans Malherbe said police could not comment on whether the slayings were linked to recent black-on-black violence in townships around here which saw some 560 people killed since August 13.

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#90249d1390 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARLSRUHE (SEPT 6) - West Germany's federal high court in Karlsruhe

issued a warrant Thursday for the arrest of a member of the Hamburg city state parliament suspected of spying for the former Communist regime in East Germany.

Gerd Loeffler, 51, a physicist and member of parliament since 1978, had been spokesman on energy for the opposition Christian Democrats (Cdu) in Hamburg. He was detained Wednesday after the Hamburg parliament lifted his immunity.

The federal prosecutor's office in Karlsruhe said Loeffler was suspected of having have worked since 1974 for the now defunct East German Stasi secret police and to have passed information to East Germany up until May 1990.

The investigation of Loeffler was based on information passed to West German intelligence authorities by a former Stasi member.

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#90249d1460 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) - U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar told newsmen in New York Thursday he was prepared to continue direct contacts with the Iraqi government despite the failure of his talks with Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

He added that he must have ''assurances that this meeting will lead somewhere''. Earlier, he had briefed the Security Council in a non-public session about his meeting with Aziz last week in Amman.

Perez de Cuellar said the council held the view that ''even if it (the meeting) was not successful, it was the beginning of dialogues which may lead to the resolution of the problem.''

In this context he pointed to the latest visit of Tariq Aziz in Moscow, the forthcoming U.S.-Soviet summit in Helsinki and other diplomatic initiatives.

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#90249d1490 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAKURA, Lebanon (SEPT 6) - Two Swedish United Nations soldiers, a man and a woman who had been romantically involved, killed themselves here on Wednesday, U.N. sources said Thursday.

The male soldier, who was 23, shot himself in the head at dusk on Wednesday. His suicide was followed moments later by that of his girlfriend, who also shot herself in the head, according to U.N. sources.

Their names were being withheld until their families had been notified.

Friends said the two soldiers had become attached to each other about a year ago.

The Swedish contingent in the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) numbers 652 out of a total of 5,876.

UNIFIL is headquartered in Nakura, southern Lebanon.

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#90249d1600 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT 6) - Hundreds of participants to a scheduled national conference on Nigeria's future were locked out of the venue on Thursday in what Nobel prizewinner Wole Soyinka dscribed as "sabotage" and "indirect censorship".

"I am very sad and I really condemn this indirect censorship in the strongest terms," Mr. Soyinka, the 1986 Nobel Literature laureate, told Agence France-Presse in a telephone interview.

The conference, due to open in the main hall of the National Theatre here Thursday, had been opposed by General Ibrahim Babangida's military government, which plans a return to civilian rule in October 1992.

The National Consultative Forum which organised the conference had paid rent for the hall. It was not informed by the management that approval of its use as the venue had been revoked, a forum representative said.

Late Wednesday, the minister of justice, Prince Bola Ajibola, had warned the organisers of the conference that they risked a five-year jail term if they went ahead with it.

Hundreds of participants, including a former deputy director-general of the World Health Organisation (WHO), Thomas Adeoye Lambo, and current Organisation of African Trade Union Unity (OATUU) Secretary-General Hassan Sunmonu, were locked out.

"They should not anticipate that a meeting might turn out this way or that way. How do you condemn people in advance?" Mr. Soyinka said.

"You cannot anticipate until people have actually said what they had to say, what is burning in their mind. One should not take upon himself the immense responsibility of condemning what they have got to say. Not even prophets can predict what is going to come out of a conference until the conference takes place," he stated.

He said he had hoped that that by now the government would have learned

about the negative effects of stopping any avenue for either individual or collective expression.

The aborted meeting would "definitely" be held at another date, conference coordinator Beko Ransome-Kuti told AFP in an interview in the Nigerian capital.

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#90249d1690 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SUVA (SEPT. 6) - Fiji's military will buy its second helicopter from France this year while maintaining the current strength of its 5,015-man army, chief of staff Brigadier General Ratu Epeli Ganilau said here Friday.

But the Fiji Military Forces (FMF) will try to reduce costs by cutting down on territorial and reserve troops because the army is "in the red," Brig. Gen. Ganilau told the Fiji Times newspaper.

He said that for the moment, the military only planned the helicopter purchase, but in the long run "our plan is to have fixed wing capability or airplanes."

France supplied an Ecureuil-type helicopter to Fiji in 1988 after Fiji's traditional military donors -- Australia, New Zealand and Britain -- suspended defence ties with Suva in the wake of two military coups in 1987.

Brig. Gen. Ganilau said Fiji would maintain its army strength of 5,015 men, which includes 1,100 United Nations peacekeeping troops in Lebanon and Egypt's Sinai desert.

But he said the army would only send regulars to the Middle East and would reduce territorial and reserve forces as a temporary cost-cutting measure.

He added that demobilisation "was another option but the idea was scrapped because of the FMF's role in maintaining security in Fiji."

He said the FMF was feeling constrained after the suspension of defence ties by Australia and New Zealand, which trained most of Fiji's soldiers prior to the 1987 coups led by ethnic Fijian military officers against the South Pacific country's ethnic Indian-dominated government.

The interim government, installed by the army commander Major General Sitiveni Rabuka after his coups, would decide on any possible demobilisation of FMF troops, the army spokesman said.

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#90249d1720 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) - U.S. Naval forces have boarded about 25 ships in the Gulf region since the U.N. embargo against Iraq and Iraq-controlled Kuwait was imposed August 6, the Defense Department said Thursday.

Pentagon spokesman Bob Hall said only two Iraqi ships were among the 25.

One, a tanker running empty, was sent on its way.

The other, a freighter carrying tea, was stopped as it was heading into the Gulf for Iraq, and was forced to reverse course and head East.

Mr. Hall said a number of other ships had been turned back, but he did not specify their number of cargoes.

The U.S. Navy has completed 580 ship interceptions, the spokesman said.

The term "interception" covers a variety of actions by U.S. warships, he said, ranging from radio questioning to boarding.

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#90249d1730 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (SEPT. 6) - Syrian President Hafez al-Assad spoke by telephone with U.S. President George Bush on Thursday, state television reported here.

It said the two men discussed the Gulf crisis, adding that Mr. Bush had initiated the exchange.

Syria joined 11 other Arab states in condemning the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and agreed to send troops to Saudi Arabia, along with Morocco and Egypt, to help defend the kingdom.

The United States also deployed forces in Saudi Arabia, which it said had been threatened by Iraqi troops in neighboring Kuwait.

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#90249d1850 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 6) - Pakistani customs agents seized 370 kilograms (814 pounds) of hashish from a car near Serai Alamgir town in Punjab province, officials here said Thursday.

The narcotic, brought from the northwestern tribal belt bordering Afghanistan, was being taken to southern port city of Karachi, they said.

The customs men searched the car at a highway checkpoint late Wednesday and took the driver into custody.

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#90249d1860 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (SEPT 6) - The world's largest known sapphire, 979 carats, has been discovered in Burma, state-run Rangoon Radio said Thursday in a broadcast monitored here.

The sapphire, described by local experts as of the best quality, was found at a gem mine near Moegoat town, some 650 kilometers (390 miles) northeast of Rangoon, the radio said.

The radio did not provide an estimate for the value of the sapphire, which it said was larger than the 563-carat "Star of India," up to now the world's biggest.

The radio last month reported that Burma had found the world's largest ruby, measuring 496.5 carats. One carat equals 200 milligrams.

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#90249d1910 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (SEPT 6) - Britain has granted the International Organization for Migrations two million pounds (three million dollars) to help with the repatriation of refugees from Iraq and Kuwait who are currently stranded in Jordan, the British Embassy said here Thursday.

The Geneva-based organization said its air bridge, established last Monday, will repatriate some 19,000 people, mostly to Sri Lanka and Bangladesh, at a cost of nearly 12 million dollars.

The refugees had fled Iraq and Kuwait in the aftermath of the Iraqi invasion of the emirate August 2.

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#90249d2640 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JEDDAH, Saudi Arabia (SEPT 7) - Saudi Arabia agreed on Thursday to shoulder the cost of the deployment of U.S. troops sent to defend Saudi territory from an Iraqi attack, according to U.S. and Saudi officials.

The agreement came during a visit here by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker.

"There was a meeting of the minds," a senior Saudi official said after a lengthy meeting here between Mr. Baker and King Fahd. The Saudi foreign minister Prince Saud al-Faisal was also present.

The Saudi official said he believed the United States "would not be disappointed with what the Saudis are willing to do."

A high-ranking U.S. official said the Saudis had explicitly agreed to pay for the cost of deploying U.S. troops on the ground, including fuel, water, transportation and other expenses.

He did not specify the amount of money the Saudis had offered.

Mr. Baker has said the cost of the U.S. operation "Desert Shield" could reach six billion dollars by the end of the year.

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#90249d3100 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (SEPT. 7) - European Economic Community (EEC) economy ministers will meet here Saturday to find that their once-sunny prospects of economic growth have been suddenly clouded by the Gulf crisis.

"If the price of oil stays at or around 30 dollars a barrel for a long period, the EEC's annual growth will be depressed by a full percentage point," an expert at the European Commission in Brussels warns.

Before Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2 and sent a quiver of fear through the world's oil market, the EEC calculated its 1990 growth rate at three percentage points.

Such figures are far from having merely paper value. Experts say they translate into hard cash that will crucially affect the Community's ability to cope with the cost of German unification and embark on EEC economic and monetary union.

The problem, the Commission source said, is that "it is very difficult to make any serious prediction" about the price of oil, as it is so completely linked to the outcome of the showdown in the Gulf.

Such uncertainty means that the ministers are unlikely to draw up a joint economic battle plan this weekend, diplomats say.

With less than three weeks left before the autumn meetings in Washington of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank - which will also include talks among the G-7 group of top industrialised democracies - the ministers will talk chiefly of their "respective approaches" to the crisis a diplomat said.

There is also likely to be a discussion about the effects of the oil price hike on developing countries and the new democracies of eastern Europe, described by a diplomatic source as "the biggest losers" in the crisis.

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#90249d6170 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (SEPT. 6) - At least 108 people were killed, 4O were reported missing and 850 were injured when Typhoon Abe sliced across China's eastern provinces of Zhejiang and Jiangsu and the city of Shanghai, the China Daily reported Thursday.

The toll, the worst in 34 years, could go higher as the authorities have yet to receive reports from a number of neighboring provinces, including Anhui, the official English-language daily said.

The official media had given a toll of 90 dead on Tuesday.

The typhoon affected more than 10 million people - including 720,000 stranded by floodwaters - as it pummelled the area between August 31 and September 3, the daily said.

Material damage has been put at 3.5 billion yuan (741 million dollars), more than half of it in Zhejiang alone, the China Daily said, quoting sources at the ministry of civil affairs.

More than 170,000 houses were destroyed and 334,000 damaged, and 443,000 hectares (1.09 million acres) of farmland were flooded, it said.

The ministry said 65 people were killed and 40 were missing in Zhejiang and 41 were killed in Jiangsu.

An earlier typhoon, Yancy, which hit Zhejiang on August 20, claimed 101 lives and seriously injured 546.

Violent storms in western Sichuan killed 19 people and injured 63 since the beginning of the month, while the rest of the central Chinese province, the country's most populous, remained in the grip of its worst drought in 10 years, the China News Service reported Thursday.

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#90249d6330 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 6) - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze Thursday called for a mutually acceptable solution to a territorial dispute with Japan, as 1,000 right-wing activists rallied for the return of the Soviet-held Kuril islands.

Mr. Shevardnadze told Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama "an environment full of trust and goodwill" was necessary to solve what he termed the "most difficult and complicated" problem between the two

countries, Japanese officials said.

His comments came during the third and last round of talks with Mr. Nakayama. Analysts said they showed Moscow's flexibility toward the dispute, which has kept the two countries from signing a post-World War II peace treaty.

Before Mikhail Gorbachev came to power in 1985, the Soviet Union refused to openly discuss Japan's demand for the return of the islands, which it has held since the end of the war.

Mr. Shevardnadze's third trip to Japan was aimed primarily at finalizing plans for an unprecedented visit here by Mr. Gorbachev in early 1991.

Japanese prime ministers have visited Moscow since the war without reciprocation from top Soviet leaders, while the territorial issue chilled ties and hampered economic cooperation.

At a park in central Tokyo, some 930 people gathered aboard 245 loudspeaker vans to demonstrate for the return of the islands, known to Japanese as the Northern Territories, police said.

The protestors belonged to 120 rightist groups, they said.

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#90249d6420 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 6) - The search has been called off for a Panama-registered ship reported missing last week while a typhoon was in the region, a Marine Department spokesman said Thursday.

Search efforts had been carried out for the past four days near China's southern Hainan island where the cargo vessel Alphard was reported missing by its agent on Saturday, he said.

The vessel had 22 people on board, including five Hong Kong and 17 Filipino seamen, and set sail on August 22 for Bangkok from south China's Tsam Kiang.

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#90249d6480 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (SEPT. 6) - Taiwan's gold bullion imports more than doubled in August, up 2.31 times to 12.96 tonnes (457,186 ounces) amid fears over the Gulf crisis, a government report said Thursday.

But total gold imports during the first eight months of thie year, including bullion and other gold products, were down 22 percent over the

same period of 1989 at 85.49 tons (3.018 million ounces), the Finance Ministry said.

Escalating tension in the Middle East spurred a buying spree on the precious metal in August, which also saw the import of 235 kilograms (8,289 ounces) of other gold products, except coins, the report said.

Gold coins lost their appeal with only 41 kilograms (1,446 ounces) imported, the lowest monthly volume this year, compared with 106 kilograms (3,739 ounces) in July, it said.

Gold reserves held by Taiwan's central bank were some 13.6 million ounces in June.

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#90249d6490 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (SEPT. 6) - The seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate in Australia jumped to 7.3 percent in August from 6.9 percent in July, according to figures released Thursday by the Bureau of Statistics.

The figure was also up from the six percent recorded in August last year.

The number of jobless rose by 27,400 to 619,500 last month from 592,100 in July and 503,600 in August 1989, the seasonally-adjusted figures showed.

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#90249d6550 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 6) - Air New Zealand and Canadian Airlines International Ltd. announced here Thursday they will operate joint services between Auckland, Vancouver and Toronto.

The two airlines said in a statement they will jointly operate flights and promote the service, and share seat capacities.

From December 2 the arrangement will result in four flights a week from Auckland to Vancouver and Toronto, via Nadi and Honolulu, and by 1991 services will operate daily.

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#90249d6620 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 6) - Malaysia will again raise its crude oil production to meet demand from Pakistan and Bangladesh, whose supplies are affected by the Gulf crisis, news reports said Thursday.

The reports quoted Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad as saying the size of

the increase would be decided after Pakistan and Bangladesh's requests for oil and petroleum products were studied in detail.

Malaysia, which has a maximum production capacity of 650,000 barrels per day (bpd), raised output by 10,000 bpd to 605,000 bpd in mid-August to help meet a shortfall created by the U.N. embargo on Iraq following its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The initial hike was meant to meet requests for more oil from India and the Philippines.

Dr. Mahathir said Malaysia did not like to see an oil shortage push the world into recession and would work with other oil-producing countries to meet world demand.

He said an economic slowdown or a recession would affect many countries' economies and would hit developing countries more.

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#90249d6640 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (SEPT. 6) - The Gulf crisis has cast a new light on the role of women in Arab societies, with reports speaking of women carrying out resistance missions in Kuwait, Saudi women allowed to serve as volunteer nurses, or girls in the United Arab Emirates willing to take up arms against an enemy.

''The role of the man is the cornerstone of society,'' wrote a woman reader, Khadijah Abdullah, faithfully reflecting Islamic teaching in a letter to the Arab language daily Bayan in Dubai.

But at the same time she put forward an almost revolutionary suggestion: ''Women too can fight against an enemy by force of arms, not only men. Even 12-year-old girls are prepared to take up arms to defend the United Arab Emirates... Who says we are too delicate for this?''

In the Gulf countries, many activities so far have remained a privilege of men. Women in Saudi Arabia, for example, may not drive a car or work in public offices.

In Bahrain, the Uae and Oman, women were admitted to the police service only a few years ago. In business or politics, women are practically nonexistent. In the mosques, they pray in an extra room separated from the men.

In the Gulf, more so than in many Asian or African states, the rule is that women live in a male society. But today hardly a day passes without the media directing attention to women.

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#90249d6660 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 6) - Australian business leaders are warning that only a change of economic direction can avert a full-blown recession as the country faces rising unemployment and its biggest wave of industrial strife for seven years.

This week a succession of company reports have painted the same gloomy picture: high interest rates, an excessively strong currency and "frightening" foreign debt are crippling the economy.

High interest rates, which bolster the Australian dollar, have been Canberra's major weapon against crippling current account deficits, foreign debt and high inflation.

Australia's foreign debt is running at about 124.5 billion Australian dollars (102.5 billion U.S.) and cash rates are fluctuating around 14 per cent.

Optimistic expectations about Australia's ability to cope with the Gulf crisis are starting to sour with the realisation that the dollar is being driven to new heights, thus widening the current account deficit.

Employment figures released Thursday showed unemployment had jumped to 7.3 percent in August from 6.9 percent in July and six percent in August last year.

At the same time, the Australian Council of Trade Unions decided to abandon centralised wage fixing for the first time since Labor won control of the government in 1983.

Confederation of Australian Industry (CAI) chief executive Ian Spicer warned Thursday that the economy was declining much faster than Treasurer Paul Keating realised.

A joint Westpac Bank-CAI survey showed the strongest pessimism among manufacturers since the 1981-82 recession, and Metal Trades Industry Association chief executive Bert Evans said Australia appeared to be heading for as bad a slump as at that time.

"Interest rates have been too high for too long. That is propping up the dollar and we are in very serious trouble," he said.

Mr. Evans, whose association represents 7,000 companies, said he had asked the metal unions to persuade the government to alter its monetary policy.

An association survey, withheld until this week because it was so bad it could have worsened the economic climate, showed "an extremely serious" downturn in production and sales, he said.

Mr. Evans described as "crazy" threats by metal unions representing 400,000 workers to strike next week for pay increases totalling 11.5 percent or 50 dollars a week (41 dollars U.S.).

One of Australia's most powerful businessmen Sir Peter Abeles, head of TNT Ltd. transport group warned the economy was labouring under a "frightening" foreign debt bill.

"It's a national emergency," said Sir Peter, a close friend of Prime Minister Bob Hawke. "We just cannot earn our way out of having such a great international debt."

In a statement Monday, directors of Australia's biggest mining company, CRA Ltd., said international competitiveness had been impaired by factors including inflation, wages and monetary policy.

But they added that the rapidly strengthening Australian dollar was of major concern.

Economists say the strength of the dollar is making Australia's exports prohibitively expensive and widening the current account deficit.

The Reserve (central) Bank's recent intervention to stem the dollar's climb was proving futile, and late Thursday the currency was trading at 82.27 U.S. cents.

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#90249d6790 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 6) - North Sea Brent crude oil shot throught the 30-dollar per barrel mark to a new five-year high at the start of trading Thursday morning, following reports that a U.S. citizen had been shot and wounded by Iraqi troops in Kuwait.

Brent crude for October delivery opened at 31.15 dollars per barrel, up from 29.75 at the close of trading Wednesday.

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#90249d6820 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DJIBOUTI (SEPT. 6) - Djibouti's international airport has seen its traffic double since mid-August because many airlines are switching here as a transit point due to the Gulf crisis, airport officials said Thursday.

Some 40 aircraft land or take off here each night as airlines modify their routes to avoid stop-offs in Jeddah, Abu Dhabi, Bahrain and Dhahran in Saudi Arabia.

Fears of a worsening Gulf situation following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2 have sent insurance premiums higher and many airlines have preferred to change their routes and touch down in Djibouti for security reasons.

About 30 Air France planes are now transiting through Djibouti weekly, against 18 normally, an official source said, while Ethiopian Airlines' planes on Asian routes are now refuelling in Djibouti.

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#90249d6830 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 6) - Japanese couples are tending to get married later in life, sending the already-low birth rate down further, according to statistics published by the health ministry.

Only 1,246,802 births were registered last year -- 67,204 less than in 1988 -- leaving the national birth rate at 10.2 per thousand, the figures showed.

Demographers worry that this is insufficient to renew the population, which stood at 123 million in March.

A major reason, the health ministry believes, is that most Japanese now aged between 20 and 30 are single.

The average marriage age dropped to 28.5 years for men and 25.8 years for women in 1989, compared to around 26 years and 24 years respectively in the 1970s, it said.

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#90249d6860 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 6) - Thai exporters are pushing Bangkok as the jewelry store to the world in hopes of giving it a cutting edge in the international jewels and gems trade -- and raking in four billion dollars a year by 1995.

Work has started on four high-rise malls billed by local moguls of the industry as "one-stop shopping centers" in Bangkok's Silom financial district, and several similar projects are under way in the suburbs and provinces.

The skyscrapers will range in height from 29 to 63 floors, accommodating as

many as 1,000 units each at a time when Thailand is expected to attract investors from Hong Kong prior to its 1997 takeover by China.

Investments of two to eight billion baht (80 to 320 million dollars) will be poured into the steel and glass towers, changing the face of an industry that traditionally has operated out of often rundown, cramped shops.

Only two decades ago, in the memory of one prominent jeweler, the Thai ruby was almost unmarketable abroad.

Disdained for its pallor, it could only be exported "under the table" in a shady business that brought in less than five million dollars a year, he said.

But since duties on imported raw materials were lifted 13 years ago, exports of locally-manufactured jewelry, as well as of imported rough-cut precious and semi-precious stones polished and cut here, have increased.

Today, Thailand ships out 80 percent of the world's ruby supply, but it exports even more locally-cut South African diamonds and Australian sapphires, according to exporter Pornsit Sri-orathaikun.

Raw materials are also imported from Burma, India and Sri Lanka to supplement Thailand's domestic ruby supplies from mines in the southeastern province of Chanthaburi and from Cambodia, just across the border.

Official figures are sketchy and incomplete, experts say, but according to the Commerce Ministry, this year's gem and jewelry exports are expected to surpass the target of 34 billion baht (1.36 billion dollars) set for 1990 by the ministry's department of export promotion.

Exports were estimated by the ministry at 16 billion baht (640 million dollars) from January to May, an increase of 21.7 percent over the same period last year.

Ambitious plans to push these exports -- already the second largest in Thailand's fledgling industrial sector after garments and textiles -- through hefty annual increases are calculated to fetch four million U.S. dollars a year in overseas revenue by 1995.

Merchants are talking of replacing the current door-to-door trade with a gems bourse that would electronically link the new skyscrapers.

But the industry is built largely on cheap labor and duty-free imports, and much of its future will depend on the creation of the European Economic Community's single market in 1992, Mr. Pornsit said.

Some 80 percent of the jewelry and gem exports and re-exports go to the United States, Western Europe and Japan, where Thailand's labor-intensive intricate designs are competitively priced.

"We are exporting 10,000-baht (400-dollar) pieces to Europe that (European jewelers) have stopped even thinking about producing because labor is so expensive there," Mr. Pornsit said.

Thai traders expect to fatten their profits alongside their European clients when trade barriers are lifted within the EEC, said Mr. Pornsit, who is president of an association of 386 Thai jewelry and gem exporters.

They are also counting on the European market to offset losses anticipated due to the Middle East crisis, he said, adding that exports to Arab countries, either directly or indirectly via Europe, used to account for 10 to 15 percent of Thai sales abroad.

The minority of exporters who deal in the region have failed to receive payments for recent shipments to Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and other countries affected by the crisis, he said.

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#90249d6900 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 6) - A multinational industrial investment company has been launched here that includes mainland Chinese and Taiwan interests, reports said Thursday.

Local financial concern Sun Hung Kai and Co. and property developer the New World group announced Wednesday they each held a 22 percent stake in the 192 million U.S. dollar firm, SHK Hong Kong Industries Ltd.

Taiwan's Capital Group held nine percent while Beijing's state-owned China Venturetechno International Ltd. took five percent.

The remaining ownership was spread -- each at five percent or less -- among investors from Hong Kong, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, the United States and Austria.

Officials at the new firm -- which was planned to be listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange by early next year -- said its key activity would be taking "friendly, non-majority" investment stakes in local manufacturing companies.

The firm also hoped to attract backers from Thailand and Japan, company officials said.

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#90249d6970 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Wiesbaden (SEPT. 6) - The West German cost of living index jumped 0.3 per-cent from July to August, triggered by rising oil and gasoline prices after the Gulf crisis, it was reported here Thursday.

The living cost rise pushed the annual inflation rate for August to 2.8 per- cent, the Federal Office of Statistics said.

In July, the annual inflation rate stood at 2.4 percent.

The office said that vehicle fuel prices were 11 percent higher in August compared to a year earlier. Light heating oil was 21 percent more expensive.

Rental costs were 3.7 percent higher in August compared to a year earlier, and food prices which were 4.1 percent more expensive, the office said.

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#90249d6990 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (SEPT. 6) - Australian transport group Brambles Industries Ltd. said Thursday its net profit rose 25 percent in the year to the end of June to 221.9 million dollars (183 million U.S.), despite a sharp fall in second half trading conditions.

Managing director Gary Pemberton said the result, which compared with 177 million dollars (146 million U.S.) the previous year, was lower than expected due to "the sharpness of the decline in Australian trading, particularly during the last quarter."

He said the slowdown in Australia emerged in the transport sector towards the end of last year.

"Transport remains the worst hit so far. Equipment rental and industrial services divisions are now being significantly affected," Mr. Pemberton said.

"Brambles European activities benefited from a stronger economic environment than Australia's although there were signs of a slowing in the British economy in the second half," he added.

Mr. Pemberton said the international company posted a 25 per cent increase in gross operating profit of 334 million dollars (275 million U.S.) for the year to June 30.

Abnormal gains of 30.3 million dollars (25 million U.S.) boosted net profit to 252.2 million dollars (208 million U.S.), a 42 percent increase on the

previous year, he said.

He said the result was achieved on a 36 percent jump in revenue to 2.33 billion dollars (1.9 billion U.S.).

At balance date, the company had 467.5 million dollars (385 million U.S.) in cash reserves, Mr. Pemberton said.

He said he was optimistic that rising oil prices would not crush economic activity in Europe but there was no sign of a recovery in Australia's trading environment.

"Under these circumstances, I am not prepared to speculate on the likely profit outcome for the current year," Mr. Pemberton said.

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#90249d7030 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 6) - The Kuwait Investment Office (KIO), which manages most of Kuwait's national riches abroad, has opened a credit line for Kuwaiti banks facing liquidity problems as a result of the Gulf crisis.

Kuwait's aim is to restore the international credibility of its financial institutions, the country's central bank governor Sheikh Salem Abdul-Aziz al-Sabah was quoted as saying in an interview published in the European edition of the Wall Street Journal.

The Kuwaiti banking system has unpaid short-term obligations of between five billion and seven billion dollars because of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2 and a subsequent freeze on Kuwaiti assets in many countries to prevent Iraq seizing them, the daily cited banking sources as saying.

"Our priority is to get our banks to meet their interbank and foreign exchange obligations. We must meet our debts so our conterparties don't suffer," Sheikh Salem was quoted as saying.

Kuwait's investment abroad totals some 100 billion dollars.

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#90249d7050 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

INDIANAPOLIS (SEPT. 6) - A Brazilian woman has been disqualified from the International Violin Competition here after an audition convinced judges she had faked her audition tape with recordings of Yehudi Menuhin or Fritz Kreisler.

Blumita Singer, 26, of Sao Paolo, was invited to compete on the basis of

her audition tape of extraordinary brilliance -- the first movement of Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto.

But when she played in a preliminary round Sunday, it was so bad that some in the audience walked out.

Her performance "verged on the ridiculous," Yugoslav violinist Igor Ozim, vice president of the jury, was quoted as saying. There were "problems of intonation, sheer lack of skill, no vibrato, no memory -- she had innumerable memory slips."

The 10 judges then reviewed the audition tapes and immediately decided that Ms. Singer could not have played the music, according to Thomas Beckiewicz, executive director of the contest.

"It took just five notes for those 10 people to say, 'Who's this playing? It must be Menuhin or Kreisler," he said Wednesday. "When you have 10 of the most expert violinists in the world, you cannot fake anything."

The competition is the richest in the world with a 20,000 dollar cash prize and a debut at Carnegie hall for the gold medalist.

In her application, Ms. Singer said she received professional training at the Manhattan School of Music in 1983-84 and at Julliard in 1982, and that she was taught by the late violinist Henryk Szeryng from 1984 to 1987.

"The screening committee looked at this portfolio with special care because there were doubts in their minds from the beginning," Mr. Beckiewecz said.

They had doubts about her letters of recommendation, copies of certificates of musical education, and programs and reviews of concerts she said she had given.

When confronted, Ms. Singer offered "no admission, no regrets, no penitence," Mr. Beckiewicz said.

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#90249d7160 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 6) - The Medellin cartel, one of Colombia's biggest cocaine operations, laundered nearly two billion dollars of drug money through the Tokyo branch of a Swiss bank, Japanese newspapers reported Thursday.

The daily Mainichi and other newspapers quoted police sources, but a spokesman for the National Police Agency refused to either confirm or deny the reports.

Mainichi said the money was put into an account at the Swiss Bank

Corporation's Tokyo branch in the name of Gonzalo Rodriguez Gacha, a top member of the Medellin Cratel.

The account was found as a result of a U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration probe launched into Mr. Gonzalez's bank accounts after his death last year the newspaper said.

But Hans Pieren, vice-president of the bank's Tokyo office, denied that there ever had been an account in the name of Mr. Rodriguez.

He said the bank was not involved in any wrong-doing and had collaborated fully with Japanese police.

Mainichi said 1.8 billion dollars from a Hong Kong bank were transferred to the Tokyo account in November, then moved to an account held by a Colombian financial institution in a New York bank.

It was the first public report in Japan of a case of drug money laundering.

The Japanese government is currently studying new regulations that will oblige the country's financial institutions to render public all large transactions whose origins are deemed suspect.

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#90249d7220 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 6) - Students both opposing and backing Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh's caste-based job quota policy staged rival shows of strength Thursday in the Indian capital.

Hundreds of students opposing the policy blocked road and rail traffic in parts of the city as a 24-hour general strike they had called got off to a halting start amid tight security.

Police said the crowds were later dispersed.

The strike, accompanied by the sympathy closure of some shopping centers, was only a partial success, police said, adding that life in the city of nine million people was largely unaffected.

Police teargassed one group of "unruly" students protesting the quotas at the University of Delhi and several were detained, a police spokesman said but gave no further details.

At one city hospital, about 100 nurses left the wards and blocked traffic to demand the withdrawal of the quotas, while about 700 people, mainly students chanting anti-Singh slogans, blocked two trains by squatting on railroad tracks in a New Delhi suburb, the police said.

Another batch of militant schoolboys blocked road traffic elsewhere in the city, deflating bus tyres near the international airport and the university.

Government offices and banks in the rain-drenched city were functioning as usual and essential services such as water and electricity supplies were normal.

Fewer public transport buses were running in the city centre mainly due to traffic diversions ordered for a mass rally near parliament by thousands of students backing the job quotas announced by New Delhi last month.

Some 60 companies of paramilitary police were deployed to beef up security in the city, which has witnessed violent student protests against the government's August 7 decision reserving almost 50 per cent of all government jobs for lower castes.

At the Boat Club lawns a few hundred metres (yards) from Parliament House, 12,000 to 15,000 students and lower-caste youths rallied in favour of the quotas, short of the 100,000 the organisers had forecast.

Critics charge that Mr. V.P. Singh's job quotas are designed to carve out a caste-based vote bank for the prime minister and his minority National Front government.

Many student organisations have charged that the policy would wipe out merit as a criterion for employement in the government and the public sector, putting more than 50,000 jobs out of the general competitive category.

Upper-caste students have launched crippling strikes and fought with security forces in nearly 40 cities and towns, leaving at least 18 people dead.

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#90249d7240 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRNS, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 6) - Foreign airlines could buy a stake in the Australian state-owned carrier Qantas, the airline's chairman Bill Dix said Thursday.

As the government continued talks on selling 49 percent of the airline, Mr. Dix told a seminar here he would not rule out the purchase of equity in Qantas by international carriers with close business ties to Qantas.

Such airlines included Lufthansa, British Airways, Japan Airlines and American Airlines, he added.

Mr. Dix also said he would "not be at all surprised" to see Qantas increase the equity it already held in Air New Zealand and Fiji's Air Pacific.

"I would not rule out the acquisition of a stake in Qantas by some of the major carriers with which we do business," he said.

Mr. Dix also hinted at the chance of a further shake-up in aviation in the coming years with cooperation between Qantas, Australian, Ansett and Air New Zealand as they seek to strengthen their positions amid increasing foreign competition.

Qantas' capital funding requirements had increased dramatically from the 650 million dollars (535 million U.S.) the airline needed in July, he said.

The airline planned outlays of more than one one billion dollars (820 million U.S.) a year to the end of the century, with a total of 9.5 billion dollars (7.8 billion U.S.) to be spent on aircraft, Mr. Dix said.

Without the capital, Qantas would be unable to maintain the growth needed to serve Australia's tourism industry, he said.

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#90249d7260 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Munich (SEPT. 6) - The machinery and vehicles concern Man said here Thursday its group surplus for the 1989-90 business year jumped 25 percent to 320 million marks (205 million dollars).

The Maschinenfabrik-Augsburg-Nuremberg company, reporting results on the year ending June 30, said its world group turnover rose eleven per cent to 18.9 billion marks, bouyed by strong demand for investment goods both at home and in Western industrial countries.

Man said the earnings rise would permit it to raise shareholder dividends for the third year in a row. But it did not specify what the dividend would be. Last year Ma paid an 8-marks dividend, the year before that, 6.50 marks.

The company said thatitbooked 20.7 billion marks' worth of orders in the 1989-90 year, up nine percent from the year befor. Foreign orders accounted for 12.6 billion marks of the total, p 12 percent.

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#90249d7290 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRID (SEPT. 6) - Bombs exploded at the Madrid Stock Exchange and at the headquarters of the Economy Ministry Thursday, wounding at least six people

and causing considerable damage.

Police were searching the Stock Exchange building for a possible second device.

The casualties were all at the Stock Exchange, where trading was brought to a halt.

First reports indicated that no-one was hurt in the Economy Ministry blast.

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#90249d7360 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 6) - India's third and youngest airline Vayudoot has accepted the resignation of its chief executive, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported Thursday.

Vayudoot, which flies mainly short routes or to remote destinations, joined its sister companies Air India and Indian Airlines among the ranks of headless public sector concerns.

Chairman and Managing Director Harsh Vardhan, 34, was once widely regarded as one of the fastest-rising stars in Indian aviation management.

Mr. Vardhan's resignation was accepted a year after he had tendered it, owning moral responsibility for the crash of a Vayudoot Dornier in the western city of Pune that killed 14 people.

He rose from the ranks after beginning his career with Air India and was appointed Vayudoot's general manager in 1983. He became its chief executive in 1987, given the job of turning around a company perennially in the red.

Vayudoot's turnover and range of operations increased sharply under his control, but its image suffered because of accidents and technical snags that raised questions about aircraft safety.

Indian Airlines, the main domestic carrier, has been without a chief since its managing director, Raghunandan Prasad, quit after an Airbus A-320 crashed in February killing 90 people in the southern city of Bangalore.

Rajan Jetley resigned as boss of Air India, the international carrier, in July to take a better-paying job in Singapore after turning the company's account books from red to black in a spectacular one-year transformation.

No replacements have been named for them so far.

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#90249d7430 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LUSAKA (SEPT. 6) - The Giant Zambia Consolidated Copper Mines (ZCCM) Thursday announced a net profit of kwacha 1.3 billion (42 million dollars) in the quarter ending last June, more than triple the kwacha 372 million figure in the same quarter of 1989.

A ZCCM spokesman said in a statement that sales revenue for this year's June quarter were kwacha 14.33 billion, 174 percent higher than previous corresponding period's kwacha 5.23 billion.

Copper production in the quarter ending June 30 was 94,759 tonnes, lower by 21,149 tonnes than the 115,908 tons produced in the same quarter of 1989.

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#90249d7500 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 6) - Courtaulds Textiles, detached from British group Courtaulds at the beginning of the year, said Thursday its taxable profit rose 4.5 percent in the first half of this year to 16.4 million pounds (30.9 million dollars) from 15.7 million (29.6 million dollars).

But sales shrank 0.7 percent compared with the same period of last year to 480.9 million pounds (907 million dollars) from 484.3 million (913 million dollars).

Courtaulds Textiles said the firmer pound since the beginning of the year had had a "marked impact" on the international competitivity of its British plants, with exchange rate fluctuations reducing sales by 9.5 million pounds and taxable profit by 0.4 million.

The profit improvement was almost entirely due to increased British sales to retail chain Marks and Spencer, the company's major client, and a brief rise in consumption at the beginning of the year.

Chief executive Martin Taylor warned that the full year results would be "heavily influenced" by the level of domestic demand in he final quarter, noting that the textile and clothing market were weak in Britain and the United States while enjoying good health in continental Europe.

The interim figures were below market expectations, and Courtaulds Textiles shares were down seven pence at 236 on the London stock exchange after the news.

Earnings per share were up to 11.9 pence from 11 pence, and an initial interim dividend of four pence was announced.

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#90249d7530 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (SEPT. 6) - India has signed a contract for 500,000 tons of crude from the United Arab Emirates to help it pull through the oil shortage created by the Gulf crisis, the government announced Thursday.

The brief announcement said a high level delegation now scouring the Gulf for supplies to replace normal imports from Iraq and Kuwait also hoped to secure a contract for another 150,000 tons of kerosene from Bahrain.

The oil would arrive here in September and October and further imports of petroleum products from the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain were "under discussion," the announcement said.

Before Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2, prompting a U.N. embargo on oil from the two countries, India relied on them for 60 per cent of its annual imports,

with 4.5 million tons of Iraqi crude coming indirectly through the Soviet Union on a barter basis.

Petroleum Minister M.S. Gurupadaswamy said last week that with promised imports from Saudi Arabia, Malaysia and other sources, Indians should have no fears of an oil shortage, but he warned of a serious drawdown on foreign exchange reserves to pay for it.

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#90249d7580 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 6) - Oil products manufacturer and distributor Burmah Castrol announced a 3.3 percent interim pre-tax profits improvement Thursday, and chairman Lawrence Urquhart said that the company's principle businesses were showing resilience in the face of Gulf crisis uncertainties.

Burmah Castrol (formerly Burmah Oil before restructuring in July) announced pre-tax profit of 79.2 million pounds (151 million dollars) for first half 1990, up from 76.7 million (146 million) in first half 1989.

Taxation as a percentage of pre-tax profit was calculated at 40 percent.

Turnover net of duties for the period was up 4.3 percent at 831.7 million pounds (1.585 billion dollars) against 796.9 million (1.518 billion).

Earnings per share was 24.7 pence, up from 23.9, and interim dividend was 8.5 pence against eight pence.

Profits were below market expectations, and Burmah shares slipped seven

pence to 508 pence despite a steady trend among other oil stocks.

The statement said that the profits climb had been achieved despite "significantly more difficult trading conditions" than in first half 1989.

Chairman and chief executive Mr. Urquhart said "against the uncertain background for trading and currencies engendered by the Middle East crisis our principal businesses are demonstrating resilience."

Since the period covered by the results, Burmah has embarked on a restructuring programme which included the sale in August of its 29.7 percent stake in Premier Consolidated Oilfields for 138 million pounds (263 million dollars) as well as the company's name change.

The moves reflected Burmah's strategy of concentrating on its core business of lubricants, fuels and chemicals, and liquified natural gas transportation and of strengthening the company financially.

The company also announced an agreement to sell its two Ultra Large Crude Carriers (ULCCs -- crude oil tankers of around 300,000 tonnes), to the Swedish shipping line Stena.

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#90249d7690 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 6) - Australia's Western Mining Corp. Holdings Ltd. said Thursday its net profit rose 22.5 percent in the year to the end of June to 422.6 million Australian dollars (348 million U.S.).

Gross operating profit for Australia's eighth largest capitalised company rose 65.7 percent to 351.6 million dollars (290 million U.S.).

The huge rise was partly due to the reclassification of extraordinary items as abnormals, it said, adding that without the book-keeping change the profit was only up 8.9 percent.

The net result compares to the previous year's 345 million dollars (284 million U.S.).

Western Mining's 44.7 percent owned aluminium producer Alcoa of Australia boosted its contribution to Western Mining's bottom line by 87.8 million dollars (72.3 million U.S.) to 334 million dollars (275 million U.S.).

But the contribution to profits from nickel was more than halved to 125 million dollars (103 million U.S.) due to a 32 percent fall in the metal's price.

Profit from the gold arm was up by about two percent to 79.8 million

dollars (66 million U.S.).

Chairman Arvi Parbo said there their was scope for improvement in other divisions of the company outside Alcoa.

"We would naturally like the other parts of the company to be more profitable and we are working hard towards that," Sir Arvi said.

Sales for the year totalled 1.38 billion dollars (1.1 billion U.S.).

The company's tax bill fell sharply from 82 million dollars (67.5 million U.S.) to 16 million dollars (13 million U.S).

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#90249d7720 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WOLFSBURG (SEPT. 6) - East Germans are ordering new Volkswagen cars at a far higher rate then expected, and the boom will continue into 1991, the Vw company said here Thursday.

Vw said that this year it expected to sell 50,000 brand-new VW, Audi, and Spanish-built Seat cars in East Germany, nearly 20,000 more than it had had calculated around July 1, when the East-West German economic union introduced the Deutschmark to East Germany.

A VW spokesman told the German Press Agency that the company was now revising its sales targets, so that in 1991, new car sales were expected to reach 100,000, instead of 55,000 as originally estimated.

The spokesman said that contributing to the success was VW's early establishment of a sales network in East Germany. The company now has 423 VWAudi sales outlets and 150 Seat dealers in the country which in less than a month will merge with West Germany.

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#90249d7970 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 6) - The Base Lending Rate (BLR) for commercial banks will be raised by up to 0.5 of a percentage point from Monday, the Association of Banks of Malaysia announced Thursday.

The BLR is currently at a 20-year-low of 6.75 percent for the two lead banks - Malayan Banking Berhad and Bank Bumiputra Malaysia Bhd - and seven per cent for the other commercial banks.

The association said in a statement that the decision was made in consultation with Bank Negara, the central bank.

The association originally submitted a request to the central bank for an upward adjustment of the BLR by one percentage point in mid-May because of narrowing margins.

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#90249d8010 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA, Sept 6 (AFP) - Businessmen believe the Philippine economy is in a state of drift due to setbacks in the wake of the Gulf crisis and a devastating earthquake, Finance Secretary Jesus Estanislao said Thursday.

"There's a lot of speculation in the financial markets, interest rates have gone up ... and there's a lot of speculation in the foreign exchange market which are not based on market realities," he told reporters after a cabinet meeting.

"There appears to be a sense of drift," he added.

Manila has lowered its growth forecast for 1990 to 3.8 percent from 5.7 per- cent last year, postponed tariff reform and put off the implementation of an oil deregulation scheme.

The measures came after an earthquake July 16 that killed 2,300 people and the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, which has threatened the livelihood of half a million Filipino overseas workers in the Gulf region.

President Corazon Aquino summoned her economic advisors Thursday "to find out really what we can do," Mr. Estanislao said.

"We are suffering a number of delays simply because of certain very key decisions that we will have to make given the changes that have come around in light of the earthquake ... and now the Middle East crisis whose dimensions we do not yet fully know."

Persistent rumors of a coup plot against Mrs. Aquino, who has weathered six military rebellions, have also wrought havoc on business confidence here.

Asked what the government should do to arrest the drift, Mr. Estanislao said "the immediate task at hand is to come out with very clear decisions on some very key points of the economy so that we stop all these speculations."

He said the government "cannot afford to pay whatever subsidies I am paying right now," apparently referring to the postponed oil deregulation program.

Manila depends on imported oil for more than 60 percent of its energy requirements.

Mr. Estanislao said the tariff reform program would have to be implemented eventually, along with relaxation of investment laws.

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#90249d8030 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Stockholm (SEPT. 6) - Scandinavian Airlines Systems, the joint airline of Sweden, Norway and Denmark, announced plans Thursday to cut costs by one billion Swedish krona (172 million dollars) in 1991.

The Sas strategy primarily foresees cutting personnel costs, which currently make up 34 percent of the airline's expenditures, company officials here said.

In the first six months of 1990, Sas showed a pre-tax profit of 369 million krona, down 40 percent on the same period of last year. All except 17 million krona of the surplus resulted from the airline selling off airplanes.

It was also reported Thursday that Sas chief executive Jan Carlzon had secretly met Norwegian Premier Jan Syse in Oslo on Wednesday to discuss the possibility of a partial privatisation of Norway's share in Sas.

The Aftenposten newspaper said the talks also concerned the possibility of the three countries raising the airline's capitalisation by 2.7 billion krona.

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#90249d8530 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

(SEPT. 6) - In Paris, a foreign ministry spokesman said the evacuation of French women and children from Iraq and Kuwait is complete after an Air France jetliner Thursday arrived at Orly airport with 105 people on board.

On board the Airbus were also 28 Britons and 12 Americans as well as several Belgians, Spaniards and West Germans. There were now no longer any French women and children being forced to stay in Iraq or Kuwait against their will, said the spokesman.

In an another development in the crisis region, a second contingent of Egyptian troops left Cairo for the United Arab Emirates Thursday, Egypt's news agency Mena reported.

The U.S. European Command in Stuttgart, West Germany, Thursday said ''elements'' of the U.S. army's 7th medical command ''are deploying from West Germany to Saudi Arabia''.

''The medical command will deploy elements of the 483rd medical detachment

(veterinary service) and the 655th medical company (blood bank) and associated personnel and equipment to support the U.S. central command in Operation Desert Shield,'' it added.

In Moscow, visiting Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz conceded Thursday there were ''certain differences'' between Moscow and Baghdad on the Gulf issue.

Foreign ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov said the meeting Wednesday between Aziz and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev had not produced ''any step backwards''. In the Soviet view, all U.N. resolutions had to be enforced - a clear endorsement of continuing sanctions against Iraq.

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#90249d8680 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 6) - The European Economic Community has agreed to provide Jordan with 48.5 million dollars to help accomodate the estimated 100,000 foreigners who have fled Iraq and Kuwait and are now in Jordanian facilities waiting to be repatriated, the EEC representative disclosed Thursday.

Christian Falkowksi said the community was also prepared to charter a plane from the International Committee of the Red Cross to transport medical supplies for the stranded refugees.

More than 600,000 people have passed through Jordan from Kuwait and Iraq since Baghad's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Jordanian authorities have issued repeated appeals for international assistance, warning that thay were unable to cope with the flood of refugees, most of whom are Asians.

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#90249d8730 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, Sept 6 (AFP) - The Bank of England on Thursday took the unusual step of moving to discourage speculation of an easing of interest rates, currently at 15 percent, in a technical note to discount houses.

The move came in reaction to a lowering of interbank rates below 15 percent, observers said.

The three-month London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) stood at 14.875 percent on Thursday morning.

The Bank's technical note to discount houses said that instead of the usual tender operation, it would be offering financial institutions refinancing

later Thursday at a fixed rate of 15 percent.

The Bank used a similar technique in June when the steep rise in the pound first pushed interbank rates down.

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#90249d8770 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (SEPT. 6) - China may increase its deliveries of oil to Turkey to compensate for the end of Iraqi oil deliveries, Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen said here on Thursday, the Anatolia news agency reported.

Mr. Qian said China may revise upward its planned delivery of 2.5 million barrels of oil for 1990. He spoke before boarding a plane to Izmir, Anatolia said.

Sixty per cent of Turkey's oil imports - which total 12 million tons - had come from Iraq until Turkey closed the two Iraqi pipelines to the T terminal at Yumurtalik on August 7.

China had previously indicated its willingness to increase oil deliveries. Mr. Qian, as quoted by Anatolia, did not specify under what conditions the deliveries would be increased.

Mr. Qian said the past two days of talks with his counterpart, Ali Bozer, and President Turgut Ozal, had been "fruitful."

Under discussion were such issues as the Gulf crisis, Cambodia, Cyprus and bilateral relations, according to Turkish foreign ministry officials.

After visiting Izmir and Istanbul, Mr. Qian was to leave Friday for Peru, Bolivia, Colombia and Venezuela.

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#90249d8810 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO (SEPT. 6) - The biggest gas tanker ever built in Scotland was launched on the river Clyde near Glasgow, the Norwegian company that built it, Kvaerner Govan, said Thursday.

The tanker can carry 54,000 cubic meters of gas.

The old Govan shipyard, bought by Kvaerner two years ago, today is the only one of its kind along the Clyde. Govan was on the verge of bankruptcy with no building contracts, but today the shipyard is thriving. At least 1,450 workers will be employed until the spring of 1992.

The gas tanker was built for the Norwegian Company Myhre Havtor Pool and

will be christened at a later date, Kvaerner Govan said.

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#90249d8840 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 6) - French textile group Dollfus, Mieg et Compagnie (DMC) said Thursday its net consolidated profit rose 10 per cent in the first half of this year over the same period of 1989 to 147 million francs (27.7 million dollars).

Consolidated turnover was also up 10 percent at 5.36 billion francs (one billion dollars), while operating profit soared 15 percent to 417 million francs (78.6 million dollars).

"Despite the slackness of the market, results for the whole of 1990 should be in line with forecasts and mark an improvement for the ninth year in a row," the group said in a statement.

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#90249d8880 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CANBERRA (SEPT. 6) - Australia's labour government has decided to sell part of the two state-owned airlines, Qantas and Australian Airlines, Prime Minister Bob Hawke announced here Thursday.

The extent of the sale will be determined within 18 days.

Mr. Hawke described the move as one of "a number of major threshold decisions on microeconomic reform" taken at a lengthy cabinet meeting.

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#90249d9590 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Bonn (SEPT. 6) - West Germany will give the Soviet Union billions of dollars to help in the withdrawal of 380,000 Soviet troops from East Germany, it was disclosed here Thursday. An exact figure was not named.

The money will go toward the cost of maintaining the Soviet troops until 1994 and to build housing for army families moving back home.

A bonn finance ministry spokesman said the two governments agreed on the framework of a treaty that would preclude any further financial demands by the Soviet Union after 1994.

He said Bonn was also supplying a loan of unspecified size to give the Soviets more time to repay their debts to East Germany.

The two sides, represented by West German Finance Minister Theo Waigel and

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Stepan Sitaryan, have not set a figure for the total amount of West German financial contributions.

The spokesman said the sum would have to be decided by West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

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#90249d9640 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT 6) - Nigeria has already increased oil production in accordance with the recent Opec decision and can sustain current output indefinitely, a source at the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (Nnpc) said Thursday.

The source, who did not disclose the volume of the increase over the nation's Opec quota of 1.611 million barrels per day (Mbd), said the country had a capacity for 2 Mbd.

He said that many wells which had been lying fallow over the years might be put into operation ''if necessary''.

The source also said that intensified exploration activities in the past three years had been ''very rewarding'', noting that some oil companies had recently announced new finds in their operational areas.

Preliminary estimates indicate that the findings amount to some 400 million barrels of oil and more than half a trillion cubit feet of gas.

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#90249d9660 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT 6) - India Thursday reported widespread shortages in occupied Kuwait and called for United Nations approval of its efforts to rush food and medicines to the thousands of Indian nationals stranded there.

An external affairs ministry spokesman said here that bread, life-saving drugs and water were running scarce in the emirate occupied by Iraq since August 2.

But he denied that New Delhi was being soft on Baghdad and denounced what he called "disinformation" on the country's stance which Indian news reports say has led to attacks on Indians by Kuwaiti resistance fighters.

"Our people are facing great shortages of medicines," the spokesman said. "Bread shops are empty (and) hospitals have stopped taking patients because they have run out of life-saving drugs."

He added that water was also in short supply and telephone connections were beoming erratic in Kuwait, where some 170,000 Indian workers were stranded when Iraqi troops invaded.

The spokesman it was the severity of conditions that had forced thousands of Indians to flee Kuwait and make the "arduous trek across inhospitable territory" to Jordan.

"Things are getting increasingly difficult. So people panic. When they panic, they leave their homes," he said, adding that conditions in Jordanian relief camps were no better.

Reports from Jordan say that the thousands of Asians and others in refugee camps there are facing severe shortages, with many penniless and unable to buy even bread from the open market.

"That is why we are anxious to make the world realise that medicines and food should be rushed (to occupied Kuwait) to end untold human sufferings " the spokesman said.

He added that New Delhi had also asked the United Nations to help clear the way to end the crippling shortages.

The official said India's position had been conveyed to Kuwaiti Oil Minister Rasheed al-Ameeri, who met Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh here Wednesday and called for a total blockade of Iraq and Kuwait.

Mr. Ameeri, who is scheduled to return to Riyadh Friday, told a news conference after meeting Mr. V.P. Singh that any despatch of food and medicines to Kuwait would only help Iraq consolidate its occupation.

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#90249d9690 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 6) - Pakistan wants its talks with India on the disputed and troubled territory of Kashmir to continue, according to Foreign Minister Sahabzada Yaqub Khan.

Yaqub Khan told reporters here Thursday the talks held so far had ''neither failed nor succeeded''.

''Between failure and success lie grey areas. We are working in these grey areas and the negotiations must continue,'' he added.

Pakistan's endeavour would be that India did not succeed in its attempt to suppress ''the Kashmiris' freedom struggle'', he said.

Meanwhile, a leader of the Jammu Kashmir Liberation Front, Amanullah Khan,

met Pakistan's interim prime minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi in Islamabad Thursday.

Amanullah later said the premier assured him all possible moral, political and diplomatic support to the Kashmiris' struggle.

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#90249d9720 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT 6) - Most tariff barriers to trade in the Economic Community of West African States (Ecowas) will be eliminated by 1994, Ecowas executive Secretary Abbas Bundu announced Thursday.

He told the opening of a three-day general assembly of African Manufacturers Association that tariffs had been removed from the first two categories of goods originating from the community -unprocessed goods and handicrafts.

He said the elimination of tariffs on industrial products would be gradual and the rate would depend on the category to which the products and the exporting member state belonged.

The 16 member states of Ecowas have been grouped into three, according to their level of industrialisation.

The first group with a relatively high level of industrialisation comprises the Ivory Coast, Ghana, Nigeria and Senegal. They are expected to eliminate tariffs over a period of four years for priority products and six years for non-priority products.

The second group - Benin, Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone and Togo - has six years to eliminate all tariffs on priority industrial products and eight years for non-priority products.

The third group - Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Gambia, Guinea Bissau, Mali, Mauritania and Niger - should achieve tariff elimination within eight years for priority and ten years for non-priority products.

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#90249d9750 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (SEPT. 6) - The black nationalist African National Congress (ANC) Thursday sent a much-reduced team to meet with a top government delegation in what is being interpreted as a deliberate snub.

Instead of an announced seven-member delegation to the meeting, which was to explore issues relating to the ANC's decision on August 7 to suspend its 29-year guerrilla war against the white-minority government, only three ANC

officials arrived for the talks here.

The meeting, the first session of a joint governmentANC working group set up under the historic Pretoria Minute accord between the two parties, was expected to continue the whole of Thursday, but informed sources told Agence France-Presse it lasted barely three hours.

The ANC move seems to have been a retort to the government's exclusion from the discussions of ANC army Chief of Staff, Chris Hani, who was supposed to lead the ANC team.

A bitter war of words erupted between the two parties when the government refused last month to renew Mr. Hani's three-month indemnity from prosecution for previous crimes against the state, issued in May to enable him to take part in talks with the government towards constitutional negotiations.

Meanwhile, President Frederik de Klerk earlier on Thursday said escalating political violence may delay the negotiations but was unlikely to derail them.

It was important that obstacles in the way of negotiations be cleared, Mr. De Klerk told journalists here before entering a meeting with a visiting delegation of Dutch parliamentarians.

"There can be no real reform without stability," he said, adding that the government would do whatever was necessary to maintain law and order in a fair way.

The government has said it hopes negotiations with black and white political leaders towards a "new South Africa" can start early next year and has already held two historic meetings with the ANC in a bid to clear obstacles to talks.

A recent upsurge of black-on-black violence in townships around Johannesburg, in which more than 550 people have died, has strained the fragile peace process with the ANC accusing the police of fuelling the conflict.

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#90249d9850 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (SEPT 6) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has been awarded Italy's 1990 Fiuggi prize for "exceptional work in promoting human rights", Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti said here Thursday.

Mr. Andreotti, chairman of the jury that made the award, said the Soviet president had "changed the climate of international relations" and brought

dialogue "even to places, like South Africa, where there had been little hope."

He said Mr. Gorbachev had accepted the prize, which will bring him 500 million lira (400,000 dollars) and will be presented formally at a date still to be set.

The Fiuggi award, named for a spa town, was the most valuable international prize, Mr. Andreotti said.

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#90249d9880 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (SEPT 6) - Thousands of Romanian mechanical construction workers who went on strike in August are threatening fresh action unless they receive "clear and written" replies to their demands by September 13, trade union sources said.

Workers at the Tractorul company in Brasov made the decision there Thursday, the sources said by telephone from the central city.

Prime Minister Petre Roman is to visit Brasov on Friday, the sources added.

Ten thousand of the plant's 18,700 employees downed tools between August 27 and 29 in protest at problems facing Romanian industry, such as a lack of raw materials, and food shortages.

They later suspended further strike action until September 5.

Union officials say some of the Tractorul workers saw their salaries plummet 50 percent in July because of a drop in factory output.

Their main demands, already outlined in a list given to government officials, are that workers should have their salary guaranteed at national level and that industry should have access to adequate raw materials to keep up production.

During the earlier strike they called on the prime minister to visit Brasov and the government agreed, but only on condition they resumed work.

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#90249d9920 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT 6) - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze called for an acceptable solution to Kuril Islands dispute with Japan, as President Mikhail Gorbachev said he would make an unprecedented trip here to break a stalemate in relations.

But Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu told visiting Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, who carried the message from Mr. Gorbachev, that Moscow-Tokyo ties would not improve unless the dispute over four Kuril islands north of Japan was settled, Japanese officials said.

"It will take a long time" for the two nations to find a solution to the problem, Japanese officials quoted Mr. Shevardnadze as telling his counterpart, Taro Nakayama, during talks here to improve relations.

"The two sides have reached a common understanding that their security should not be damaged," he said. "It is necessary to seek a solution mutually acceptable to both sides."

Mr. Shevardnadze's remarks were seen by a Japanese government official as "relatively soft and prudent in a postive sense." But he cautioned there was nothing to indicate "substantial change" in Moscow's stance toward the islands.

The islands of Etorofu, Kunashiri, Shikotan and Habomai were occupied by Soviet troops at the end of World War II and have since become an important, fortified link in the Soviet Union's Asian defenses.

Before Mr. Gorbachev came to power in 1985 with policies of reform and openness, the Soviet Union refused to openly discuss Japan's demand for the return of the islands.

Mr. Kaifu said he would welcome Mr. Gorbachev in April, but that Tokyo would pursue relations with Moscow "without putting aside the difficult problems of settling the territorial problem and concluding a peace treaty " officials said.

Nearly 1,000 right-wing activists and sympathizers demonstrated in central Tokyo for the return of the islands, known in Japan as the Northern Territories.

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#90249d9970 09/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA (SEPT 6) - The leaders of Bulgaria and Turkey are expected to meet for the first time since tensions arose six years ago when Bulgaria introduced a policy of forced assimilation of ethnic Turks.

Bulgarian Prime Minister Andrei Loukanov will arrive in Antalya, Turkey, Thursday night to participate in a three-day round-table discussion beginning Friday on the United Nations Development Program.

Mr. Loukanov will probably meet with Turkish President Turgut Ozal apart from the round-table talks, offical sources in Sofia said.

The last time a Bulgarian leader, former communist party chief Todor Zhivkov, visited Turkey was in 1983.

One year later Mr. Zhivkov introduced an assimilation policy affecting the Turkish minority (10 per cent of the total population of about nine million) who were obliged to change their Turkish names to Bulgarian names.

The policy caused a rift between the Turkish and Bulgarian governments, provoked bloody riots in May 1989 and led to the mass exodus of 300,000 Bulgarians of Turkish origin to Turkey, of whom 100,000 have since returned to Bulgaria.

After the fall of Mr. Zhivkov, the reform communist government allowed Bulgarians to revert to their Turkish names. In January, Sofia and Ankara held talks at the foreign ministerial level.

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#90249e0019 09/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 6) EFE - China Thursday told visiting Iraqi First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan that Baghdad must comply with U.N. Security Council resolutions and pull its troops out of Kuwait.

At a press conference, a Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman said, "China's position is very clear and demands the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops to restore the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Kuwait."

But he pointed out that the United Nations resolution calling for an embargo against Iraq and Kuwait "does not include food, medicine and humanitarian aid", while he declined to say if China would provide such assistance.

China, along with the four other permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, approved the economic sanctions against Iraq and Kuwait four days after the August 2 invasion.

It also agreed to support all U.N. resolutions aimed at ending the month-long conflict, including the use of force to ensure the embargo is maintained.

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#90249e0039 09/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Santiago (SEPT. 6) EFE - Chilean neo Nazis have expressed their support for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, calling him a model "of the struggle against Zionism".

In a rally Wednesday in the capital, former diplomat and neo Nazi Miguel Serrano told more than 50 cheering supporters that he wholeheartedly backed Iraq's fight "against Jewish infamy in the Persian Gulf".

Serrano's supporters shouted "Heil Hitler" as the author, dressed in a long black leather trenchcoat, affirmed his belief that the great powers would fall and Nazism would be reborn.

The author said Nazis were the only real revolutionaries. "We are totalitarian and we loathe and hate democracy."

Asked by reporters how many Nazis there were in Chile, Serrano refused to give a figure, but said they were an "indestructible force".

Serrano also launched an attack on former Chilean dictator Gen. Augusto Pinochet, accusing him of having run concentration camps where "Palestinian patriots who had escaped from Zionism" were tortured.

A number of leading former Nazis are believed to have fled to Chile after World War II, many of them changing their identity to avoid being captured.

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#90249e0049 09/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PANAMA CITY (SEPT 6) EFE - Panamanian anti-drug agents and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) have seized 2.5 tons of cocaine from a tiny private island off the Atlantic coast, authorities said Thursday.

The haul, captured on the island of Samba Bonita close to the Colombian border, was the largest so far in Panama, said officials who asked to remain anonymous.

Few details have been released of the joint Panama-U.S. operation, but officials said the drugs were found on a boat moored off the private island, which reportedly belongs to former president Demetrio Basilio Lakas.

Last month former U.S. ambassador Deane Hinton charged, in an address to Panamanian police, that Panama was still a drug transit country eight months after Gen. Manuel Noriega was ousted in a U.S invasion.

Hinton pointed out that the coast close to the Colombian border was a particularly active area for drug trafficking.

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#90249f1439 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 6) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.64 1/2	2.66 1/2	2.63 3/4	2.65 3/4	2.63
Dec	2.82	2.83	2.80	2.82 1/2	2.80 3/4
Mar	2.93 1/2	2.94 3/4	2.91 1/2	2.94 1/4	2.92 1/2
May	3.01 1/2	3.01 1/2	2.98 1/2	3.01 1/4	2.99 1/4
Jly	3.06 1/2	3.07	3.04 1/2	3.07	3.04 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.44 1/2	2.44 1/2	2.41 3/4	2.43	2.43 1/4
Dec	2.37 1/4	2.37 3/4	2.36	2.37 3/4	2.36
Mar	2.45 3/4	2.46 3/4	2.44 3/4	2.46 1/2	2.44 3/4
May	2.51 1/2	2.52 3/4	2.50 3/4	2.52 3/4	2.51
Jly	2.55 3/4	2.56 3/4	2.54 3/4	2.56 1/2	2.55
Sep	2.53 1/4	2.55	2.53 1/4	2.54 1/2	2.53 1/4
Dec	2.53 3/4	2.55	2.52 3/4	2.55	2.53 1/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.10	1.11 1/4	1.09 1/2	1.11 1/4	1.08 3/4
Dec	1.20 3/4	1.21 3/4	1.20 1/4	1.21 1/2	1.20
Mar	1.32 1/4	1.33	1.31 1/2	1.33	1.31 1/2
May	1.38	1.39 1/2	1.38	1.39 1/4	1.37 1/2
Jly	1.44	1.45	1.45	1.43 1/2	
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	6.15	6.17 1/2	6.12	6.17 1/4	6.11 3/4
Nov	6.29 1/2	6.32	6.26 1/4	6.31 3/4	6.26 1/2
Jan	6.42	6.45	6.39 3/4	6.45	6.39 3/4
Mar	6.56	6.59	6.53 1/2	6.58 3/4	6.53 1/2
May	6.63 1/2	6.67	6.61 1/2	6.66 3/4	6.61 1/2
Jly	6.71	6.73	6.68 1/2	6.72 3/4	6.67 3/4
Aug	6.63	6.64	6.61	6.63 1/2	6.59
Sep	6.40	6.40	6.37 1/2	6.37 1/2	6.37
Nov	6.28 1/2	6.30 1/2	6.24	6.27 1/4	6.27 3/4
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Sep	24.45	24.45	24.27	24.43	24.37
Oct	24.35	24.39	24.23	24.33	24.29
Dec	24.50	24.52	24.32	24.46	24.45
Jan	24.65	24.65	24.48	24.59	24.57
Mar	24.82	24.85	24.68	24.74	24.70
May	24.92	24.95	24.78	24.87	24.85
Jly	24.85	25.00	24.80	24.93	24.95
Aug	24.70	24.85	24.60	24.60	24.55
Sep	24.40	24.60	24.40	24.45	24.42

Dec	23.95	23.95	23.95	24.00	23.90

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	177.50	181.50	177.50	181.20	176.90
Oct	180.10	182.50	179.90	182.40	179.00
Dec	184.60	186.00	183.80	185.90	183.30
Jan	186.50	187.30	185.50	187.00	185.00
Mar	189.00	190.00	188.40	189.70	188.00
May	191.50	192.00	190.50	191.70	189.00
Jly	193.50	193.50	192.30	193.50	191.50
Aug	191.00	191.50	191.00	192.20	190.00
Sep	189.50	190.00	189.60	189.90	188.00

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austral	.000173	.000171	5772.00	5840.70
Australia dlr	.8234	.8265	1.2145	1.2099
Austria schill	.0912	.0907	10.96	11.02
Belgium franc-c	.0313	.0311	32.00	32.15
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0152	.0151	65.81	66.11
Britain pound	1.9065	1.9053	.5245	.5249
Britain 1-mo	1.8958	1.8940	.5275	.5280
Britain 3-mo	1.8752	1.8741	.5333	.5336
Britain 6-mo	1.8470	1.8468	.5414	.5415
Canada dollar	.8692	.8680	1.1505	1.1521
Canada 1-mo	.8658	.8643	1.1550	1.1570
Canada 3-mo	.8628	.8581	1.1590	1.1653
Canada 6-mo	.8518	.8505	1.1740	1.1758
Chile peso-f	.003340	.003337	299.37	299.71
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001936	.001938	516.54	516.10
Denmark krne	.1680	.1669	5.9515	5.9920
Ecudr sucre-z	.001126	.001129	888.03	886.05
Egypt pound	.3714	.3714	2.6924	2.6924
Finlnd mrkka	.2720	.2711	3.6770	3.6890
France franc	.1915	.1907	5.2210	5.2430
France 1-mo	.1915	.1904	5.2218	5.2527
France 3-mo	.1915	.1896	5.2229	5.2733

France 6-mo	.1913	.1907	5.2273	5.2430
Greece drach	.006518	.006470	153.43	154.57
Hollnd guildr	.5693	.5693	1.7566	1.7566
HongKong dlr	.1288	.1288	7.7655	7.7665
India rupee	.0573	.0571	17.46	17.51
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000542	1845.00	1846.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7210	1.7190	0.5811	0.5817
Israel shekel	.5020	.5020	1.9920	1.9920
Italy lira	.000859	.000860	1163.75	1163.00
Japan yen	.007106	.007062	140.73	141.60
Japan 1-mo	.007106	.007070	140.73	141.45
Japan 3-mo	.007131	.007090	140.23	141.05
Japan 6-mo	.007124	.007092	140.37	141.01
Jordan dinar	1.5375	1.5352	.6504	.6514
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000347	2880.00	2880.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6255	.6265	1.5987	1.5962
Norway krne	.1659	.1657	6.0260	6.0365
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000003	.000003	384,150	379,225
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escud	.007282	.007239	137.32	138.14
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5688	.5729	1.7580	1.7456
S.Africa rand	.3924	.3917	2.5481	2.5532
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010194	.010194	98.10	98.10
Sweden krona	.1743	.1742	5.7360	5.7400
Switzrl franc	.7704	.7719	1.2980	1.2955
Switzrl 1-mo	.7702	.7720	1.2983	1.2953
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7698	.7711	1.2990	1.2969
Switzrl 6-mo	.7688	.7696	1.3007	1.2993
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.90	26.90
Turkey lira	.000374	.000374	2672.00	2677.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6628	3.6628
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0208	.0208	48.12	48.07
W.Ger Mark	.6416	.6416	1.5585	1.5585
W.Ger 1-mo	.6415	.6415	1.5589	1.5589
W.Ger 3-mo	.6412	.6414	1.5595	1.5590
W.Ger 6-mo	.6409	.6391	1.5604	1.5648
Yugosl dinar	.0937	.0929	10.67	10.77

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Thursday 381.34 off 6.29.

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#90249h0043 09/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NAIROBI (SEPT. 6) XINHUA - KENYA HAS EXPORTED OVER 3,000 HEAD OF SHEEP, GOATS, CATTLE AND CAMELS TO SAUDI ARABIA WHICH IS ON THE ALERT FOR A WAR WITH IRAQ, REPORTED THE "DAILY NATION" TODAY.

THE ENGLISH NEWSPAPER SAID THAT THE ANIMALS, VALUED AT 6,774,450 KENYAN SHILLINGS (ABOUT 300,000 U.S. DOLLARS), WERE LOADED ABOARD THE MODERN LIVESTOCK CARRIER MV CHAROLAIS AT MOMBASA PORT.

THE CONSIGNMENT OF 505 CAMELS, 850 CATTLE AND 1,800 SHEEP AND GOATS TOGETHER WITH 150 TONS OF HAY FOR FEEDING THE ANIMALS IN TRANSIT IS DESTINED FOR THE SAUDI ARABIAN SEA PORT OF JEDDAH.

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#90249h0045 09/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (SEPT. 6) XINHUA - THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT OPPOSES THE DALAI LAMA'S ENGAGEMENT IN POLITICAL ACTIVITIES IN ANY CAPACITY IN OTHER COUNTRIES, A FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESWOMAN SAID HERE TODAY.

IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION AT THE WEEKLY NEWS BRIEFING THIS AFTERNOON, THE SPOKESWOMAN SAID THAT THE DALAI LAMA IS NOT SIMPLY A RELIGIOUS PERSONAGE, ADDING THAT HE IS A POLITICAL FIGURE IN EXILE RESIDING ABROAD.

SHE ADDED THAT CHINA OPPOSES ANY KIND OF POLITICAL ACTIVITIES BY THE DALAI LAMA IN ANY CAPACITY, ESPECIALLY HIS REMARKS AGAINST THE UNIFICATION OF THE MOTHERLAND. CHINA WILL NOT AGREE TO RECEIVING HIM BY ANY AUTHORITIES OF ANY COUNTRIES.

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#90249h0218 09/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
CARACAS (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - THE VENEZUELAN TELEPHONE COMPANY (CARTV) WILL BE PRIVATIZED WITHIN SIX MONTHS AS PART OF THE NATION'S PRIVATIZATION PROCESS, AN ECONOMY MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

THE GOVERNMENT WILL RECEIVE FOUR BILLION U.S. DOLLARS BY SELLING THE COMPANY'S ASSETS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID, ADDING THAT SOME DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN BUSINESSMEN HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR INTEREST IN THE PROCESS.

IT IS NOT YET CLEAR HOW MANY SERVICES WILL BE SOLD TO INDIVIDUALS. SOME PEOPLE BELIEVE THE WHOLE COMPANY WILL BE PRIVATIZED, WHILE OTHERS CLAIM ONLY SOME SERVICES WILL BE SOLD.

THE EARNINGS OF THE TELEPHONE COMPANY SALE WILL REPORTEDLY BE ADDED INTO THE MACROECONOMIC STABILIZATION FUND, WHICH IS TO BE CREATED SOON.

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#90249h0219 09/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BONN (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - WEST GERMANY HAS PROVIDED U.S. GULF FORCES WITH ANOTHER 20 "LUCKS" RECONNAISSANCE TANKS, THE AMERICAN EMBASSY TO WEST GERMANY SAID TODAY.

"LUCKS" TANKS, AN AMPHIBIOUS ARMORED VEHICLE, CAN QUICKLY DETECT CHEMICAL GAS AND GIVE WARNING TO TROOPS ABOARD.

WEST GERMANY SUPPLIED 10 SUCH TANKS LAST MONTH TO THE UNITED STATES, THE AMERICAN EMBASSY SAID, ADDING THAT IT PRAISED WEST GERMANY FOR THEIR ACTIONS.

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#90249h0221 09/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BOGOTA (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - THE COLOMBIAN GOVERNMENT NAMED WEDNESDAY FORMER PRESIDENT VIRGILIO BARCO VARGAS AMBASSADOR TO GREAT BRITIAN, ACCORDING TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HERE TODAY.

BARCO WILL REPLACE FERNANDO CEPEDA ULLOA, WHO WAS ALSO INTERIOR AND COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER UNDER THE FORMER ADMINISTRATION. THE NOMINATION HAS BEEN APPROVED BY BRITIAN, THE MINISTRY SAID.

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#90249k0066 09/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 6) KYODO - NEC CORP. SAID THURSDAY IT HAS DEVELOPED A VISIBLE LASER DIODE WITH WHAT IS CLAIMED TO BE THE WORLD'S HIGHEST OUTPUT, WHICH IT SAID WILL ENABLE SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENTS IN HIGH-SPEED LASER PRINTERS AND RECORDING/PLAYBACK DEVICES.

THE LIGHT GENERATED FROM THE 75-MILLIWATT VISIBLE LASER DIODE, WHICH IS COMPOSED OF ALUMINUM, GALLIUM, INDIUM AND PHOSPHORUS MATERIALS, IS EASILY SEEN BY THE HUMAN EYE.

THE 680-NANOMETER DEVICE CAN FOCUS BEAM OUTPUT PRECISELY ON A VERY SMALL AREA, MAKING IT IDEAL FOR USE WITH HIGHER-DENSITY STORAGE DEVICES, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID. A NANOMETER IS ONE-BILLIONTH OF A METER.

THE HIGHEST LASER DIODE OUTPUT ACHIEVED BY SCIENTISTS TO DATE IS 45 MILLIWATTS. COMMERCIAL LASER DIODES HAVE AN OUTPUT OF SEVERAL MILLIWATTS.

THE NEW LASER DIODE ENABLES AN INCREASE OF 50 PERCENT IN STORAGE CAPACITY FOR RECORDING AND PLAYBACK LASER DISKS COMPARED TO THE COMPUTER MAKER'S PRESENT 830-NANOMETER LASER DIODE.

POINTERS, BAR CODE READERS, AND LASER PRINTERS HAVE USED A LOW OUTPUT OF LIGHT TO TRANSFER INFORMATION. OPTICAL DISKS AND HIGH-SPEED PRINTERS REQUIRE AN OUTPUT LEVEL OF 30 MILLIWATTS OR MORE.

BUT HIGH-OUTPUT LASERS, UNTIL NOW, HAVE BEEN IMPOSSIBLE TO DEVELOP BECAUSE OF THE DAMAGE THE LIGHT CAUSES TO THE MIRROR, OR REFLECTION SURFACE. THE ACTIVE LAYER OF THE MIRROR ABSORBS HEAT FROM THE LIGHT, CAUSING THE REFLECTIVE SURFACE TO MELT.

NEC RESEARCHERS SOLVED THE PROBLEM BY COATING THE ACTIVE LAYER OF THE REFLECTIVE SURFACE WITH ZINC TO PREVENT DAMAGE TO THE MIRROR.

THE ELECTRONICS GIANT WILL PRESENT THE VISIBLE LASER DIODE AT THE IEEE SEMICONDUCTOR CONFERENCE IN DAVOS, SWITZERLAND, ON MONDAY, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90249k0071 09/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 6) KYODO - KAWASAKI HEAVY INDUSTRIES LTD. SAID THURSDAY IT HAS AGREED WITH BRITISH AEROSPACE PLC TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PRODUCTION OF A321 AIRBUS INDUSTRIE PLANES.

THE CONTRACT, DUE TO BE OFFICIALLY SIGNED BY THE TWO SIDES AROUND MID-OCTOBER, WILL MAKE KAWASAKI THE FIRST JAPANESE HEAVY-DUTY MACHINERY MAKER TO WIN AN ORDER FOR MAKING PART OF THE FRAME OF AIRBUS PLANES, KAWASAKI OFFICIALS SAID.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT, KAWASAKI WILL UNDERTAKE PRODUCTION OF THE FUSELAGE OF THE 180-PASSENGER AIRBUS A321 JET, SCHEDULED TO BEGIN OPERATION IN THE SPRING OF 1994.

KAWASAKI EXPECTS THE DEAL TO PAVE THE WAY FOR IT TO MAKE INROADS INTO THE MAKING OF PRIVATE PASSENGER PLANES AMID DWINDLING DEMAND FROM THE DEFENSE INDUSTRY IN THE WAKE OF THE THAW IN EAST-WEST RELATIONS.

THE COMPANY WILL START PRODUCTION AS EARLY AS THIS YEAR AT ITS GIFU MANUFACTURING SITE.

PARIS-BASED AIRBUS INDUSTRIE IS A CONSORTIUM INVOLVING AEROSPATIALE OF FRANCE, MESSERSCHMITT-BOELKOW-BLOHM GMBH OF WEST GERMANY, BRITISH AEROSPACE PLC, AND CONSTRUCCIONES AERONAUTICAS SA OF SPAIN.

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#90249k0073 09/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 6) KYODO - JAPAN'S LARGEST OPPOSITION PARTY WILL CHANGE ITS NAME FROM THE SOCIALIST PARTY OF JAPAN TO THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF JAPAN, PARTY OFFICIALS SAID THURSDAY.

THE PARTY'S NEW PLATFORM, ADOPTED AT A PARTY CONVENTION LAST APRIL, VOWS THAT IT WILL ADOPT SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC POLICIES, DISREGARDING CLASS STRUGGLE.

THE NAME CHANGE WILL BE PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL AT A SESSION OF THE PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON SEPTEMBER 14, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE ANNUAL PARTY CONVENTION SCHEDULED FOR NEXT JANUARY WILL OFFICIALLY DECIDE ON THE NAME CHANGE IF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE APPROVES IT, THEY SAID.

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#90249k0089 09/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (SEPT. 6) KYODO - KYOCERA CORP. SAID THURSDAY AVX CORP., ITS WHOLLY OWNED U.S. SUBSIDIARY WILL PAY 66 MILLION DOLLARS TO THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AND THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE GOVERNMENT UNDER AN OUT-OF-COURT SETTLEMENT REACHED IN LATE AUGUST ON A SEA POLLULTION DAMAGE SUIT.

AVX CORP., A CONDENSER MAKER KYOCERA ACQUIRED IN JANUARY, WAS SUED IN 1983 BY THE U.S. FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS FOR POLLUTING NEW BEDFORD BAY ON THE COUNTRY'S NORTHEASTERN COAST WITH POLYCHLOROBIPHENYL (PCB), A CHEMICAL ONCE WIDELY USED IN INSULATORS AND OTHER INDUSTRIAL DEVICES, KYOCERA SAID.

KYOCERA SAID THE DAMAGE SUIT HAS BEEN FILED AGAINST AEROVOX CORP., AVX'S PREDECESSOR, WITH FACTORIES HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR THE POLLUTION CASE.

THE MONEY WILL BE USED TO COMPENSATE FOR THE DAMAGE CAUSED TO THE BAY AND ITS NATURAL RESOURCES, IT ADDED.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) KYODO - INDUSTRIAL BANK OF JAPAN SAID THURSDAY IT PLANS TO SET UP A SUBSIDIARY IN NEW YORK SPECIALIZING IN MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS.

THE WHOLLY OWNED NEW COMPANY, TO BE NAMED BRIDGEFORD GROUP INC., WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 50 MILLION DOLLARS, BANK OFFICIALS SAID. IT WILL BE HEADED BY JOHN HERRMANN, A SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON OFFICIAL.

THE BANK HAS IN THE PAST ASSISTED IN MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS INVOLVING JAPANESE COMPANIES IN THE UNITED STATES THROUGH ITS AFFILIATE IBJ SCHRODER BANK AND TRUST CO.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 6) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that 2nd quarter capital spending rose 5.1% versus the 5.5% rise predicted earlier.

International stock markets are generally lower. ... The Nikkei posts its fourth straight loss, down 266 points. ... London stocks are also lower: the FTSE off 21 points in midday trading. ... The Dollar loses more ground against the yen. ... Bonds are lower with long Treasury yielding 8.98%. ... Brent North Sea crude falls 10 cents to $30.20 after hitting $31.00 in overseas trading. ... A bomb explosion halts trading at Madrid stock market. ... CAMPBELL SOUP CO. says it lost $238.4 million in the fourth-quarter ended July 29. ... A survey by the GALLUP ORGANIZATION and "Bank Advertising News" finds 13% of those asked think it is at least somewhat likely that their bank or savings and loan will fail or be bailed out by the federal government. ... CANADIAN AUTO WORKERS have picked FORD as their strike target in negotiations on a new contract. ... ALASKA AIRLINES and FEDERAL EXPRESS have received clearance to begin air service to the Soviet Union.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

FDIC Chairman SEIDMAN releases a report on banking in the 2nd quarter at 10 a.m. EDT. ... COMMERCE SECRETARY ROBERT MOSBACHER holds a press briefing on his up-coming trip to the Soviet Union at 10 a.m. EDT. PRODIGY SERVICES is expected to announce new features and refinements to lure more home computer owners. ... ALEX. BROWN & SONS plans to nearly double its New York City presence. The Baltimore-based brokerage firm has been recruiting brokers from Wall Street rivals. FROM THE BULLS:

"I like what I am seeing," says STEPHEN TODD, editor of the TODD MARKET TIMER. He says increases in volume and breadth are good signs. "The

stock market seems to want to work higher," says Todd. "It takes doses of bad news, wobbles and then comes back." He predicts a move back to 3000 with some resistance around the 2750 level because of "a lot of psychological damage" and the "uncertainty in the Mideast." Todd moved back into the mutual funds he left at 2850, and also likes EASTMAN KODAK and HERSHEY. ("Investor's Daily", 9/6)

"Why hasn't the market been worse?" asks JOHN WESTERGAARD, president of WESTERGAARD RESEARCH. "Bad news is all over the place - there are no buyers out there ... but the market doesn't want to go down," says Westergaard, who believes the market saw its lows last week. Westergaard's long-term bullishness is partly based on post-Cold War political and economic cooperation between the superpowers and other nations. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/6)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The sharp decline in equity prices has not significantly improved the valuation of equities, since much of the decline has been offset by the rise in interest rates. ... U.S. equities are still some 15% above a theoretical buy price," says ABBY JOSEPH COHEN, a market strategist at BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD. Ms. Cohen was bearish well before Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait, and she does not see a bottom for the market yet. She says, "The bottom for the market is a moving target. ... The bottom in equity prices cannot be gauged until ... economic fundamentals have shown some sign of stabilization. We're not there yet." (WSJ, 9/6)

MARC SUTIN of SAFIAN INVESTMENT RESEARCH says a bear market is not on the way, it has already arrived. "If you look at the ... Dow Jones Industrial average or the S&P 500, the both of them are down about 17% - peak to trough - this year," which may or may not be large enough to declare a bear market, according to Sutin. But, he points out, the broader averages are down more than 25% - "definitely bear market proportions." He says the downturn could last another 6 - 12 months. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/5)

STOCK MARKET:

"Reports that an Iraqi soldier shot an American are certainly not going to help us on the opening this morning," says JEFFERY KAMINSKY, head block trader for MABON NUGENT. "Oil trading through thirty dollars a barrel is not going to help either." Kaminsky expects stocks to continue to trade down, although volume may pick up on "real news" out of the Mideast. The Gulf crisis has diverted attention from the long term problems facing the U.S. economy, says Kaminsky. "I don't think they bode well for stock prices in the future." (FNN "World Business Update", 9/6)

"The market doesn't like a standoff in the desert any more than those who have to be on duty in that environment," says ROBERT STOVALL, president of

STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. He argues that "aimless drifting on modest volume may be the market's role until there's a basic change in the investing environment." (NYT, 9/6)

"People are still on tenterhooks with respect to the Mideast crisis, and there's a large body of people who fear a long stalemate and don't want to make any [market] moves," says STEFAN ABRAMS, chief investment strategist at KIDDER, PEABODY & CO. (WSJ, 9/6)

"Probably the best potential is up to maybe 2800 or slightly higher," says WALTER MURPHY, technical analyst at MERRILL LYNCH. "That's if everything that can go right does go right. The more likely range is somewhere between the 2680ish area and 2750. So I think you can poke in there, digest the decline we had - work off the oversold - and then set the stage for another decline later on." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/5)

"The markets are regaining some of their stability and perspective," says MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER & CO. "This is not an open-ended inflationary situation." But he says uncertainty in the Middle East is holding stocks back. "There's not enough courage on the part of the bulls." HUGH JOHNSON of FIRST ALBANY CORP. says improved unemployment figures expected tomorrow will help bring buyers back into the market. ("USA Today", 9/6)

"The market appears very much sold out," says JACK SOLOMON, a technical analyst at BEAR, STEARNS & CO., noting that the industrial average has stabilized around the 2600 level over the past week and a half and the "urgent selling" of recent weeks "seems to be completed." (WSJ, 9/6)

"I'm not yet impressed by the rally since Aug. 23, although I'm a little surprised there has not been more downside pressure," says technical analyst ANTHONY TABELL at DELAFIELD, HARVEY, TABELL. "The market has simply 'stopped falling' - and that's something you basically distrust until proven otherwise." ("The Washington Post", 9/6)

"I don't believe we have fully digested the seriousness of events in the Middle East," says ALAN ACKERMAN, market analyst for GRUNTAL & CO. "We've got a market with a very low energy level, lacking in momentum, lacking in volume. The only high energy levels are energy prices, which closed over $29-a-barrel today. I don't believe we've seen the worst of things yet to come in the Middle East and the pressures on our own economy due to carrying the burden of the close to $1-billion-a-month cost of keeping our military in the Middle East." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/6)

"Earnings projections will continue to come down for the rest of 1990 and all of 1991," says SURESH BHIRUD, chief market analyst for OPPENHEIMER & CO. "Earnings are the single biggest determinant of market performance," says WILLIAM PATERNOTTE, research chief at ALEX. BROWN & SONS. BARRY SAHGAL, research director at LADENBURG THALMANN & CO., says even if the

Persian Gulf crisis is resolved "the cold light of day will shine on weak corporate earnings." ("USA Today", 9/6)

STOCK TIPS:

Department stores are trying to react more quickly to retailing trends and competition from speciality outlets, says WAYNE HOOD, retail analyst for PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. His favorite department store is DILLARD which has more than half of its stores in the oil patch and showed a 14% increase in comparable store sales in August. Hood also likes HOME DEPOT: "We think they are somewhat recession resistant, their sales continue to outperform the retail group, and they have exposure in the oil patch as well." (CNN "Business Morning", 9/6)

NIKE is up over 5 points in the last two sessions on very active trading. A boycott by OPERATION PUSH caused the stock to dip sharply last month, but the boycott seems to have failed. "The verdict is not in on the PUSH boycott, but it certainly didn't have the impact that was expected," says JOHN ROGERS of RAGEN & MACKENZIE. ("Investor's Daily", 9/6)

"The whole trend in the 1990s is going to be toward personal communications systems," says JOHN WESTERGAARD of WESTERGAARD RESEARCH. He likes the wrist watch communications technology of AT&T which is being tested for the first time in Portland, Oregon. The "Dick Tracy" type units are manufactured for the company by SEIKO, the world's largest watchmaker. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/6)

"We're increasingly concerned about the September-quarter earnings" for technology stocks, says CHARLES TAYLOR JR., a PRUDENTIAL-BACHE software analyst, explaining why the company eliminated its buy recommendations on nine Big Board technology stocks, including IBM and XEROX, and 10 over-the-counter high-tech issues. "We didn't feel there was enough justification that these stocks could go up in a down market," adds RICHARD BILLY, a Pru-Bache electronics analyst. (NYT, 9/6)

Forecasting lower sales of computer chips in the wake of a decline in personal computer volume, RAJIV CHAUDRI, an electronics analyst at GOLDMAN SACHS & COMPANY, cut his earnings estimates for TEXAS INSTRUMENTS, MOTOROLA and INTEL. Also predicting a "softer economic environment" SHEARSON, LEHMAN BROTHERS' electrical equipment analyst, ROBERT CORNELL, cut his earnings estimates for GENERAL ELECTRIC, EMERSON ELECTRIC, MAYTAG, SQUARE D, WESTINGHOUSE and WHIRLPOOL. (NYT, 9/6)

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MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"I'm very negative on the dollar," says CHRISTIANE MANDELL, a currency adviser at SECURITY PACIFIC MERCHANT BANK. She cites "widening interest rate differentials and the theory that the Fed could move this week" as the biggest factors driving the dollar down. ("Investor's Daily", 9/6)

"The dollar going down is good for the United States," says RICHARD WITTEN a foreign exchange analyst at GOLDMAN SACHS. Such a decline will "make our exports more competitive, and it is, in fact, exports that are fueling our economy." (CNN "Moneyline", 9/5)

"We're sort of still on the precipice," says DAVID GILMORE, currency analyst at McCARTHEY, CRISANTI, MAFFEI. "We haven't really gone through the 140 level yet in dollar-yen, and until we do that, I think the market is going to be looking for a temporary bottom before the big push lower. European currencies ... have not made new lows. They are still above week-ago lows, so the market is still a little bit cautious here. The yen obviously has a lot more to catch up to get to where the Europeans have gotten." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/6)

"On the whole [the selloff of the dollar yesterday] was a lot of speculation about the Fed easing," says DAVID MARSHALL of MMS INTERNATIONAL. "There was speculation about U.S. rates moving down and other rates moving up." ("Investor's Daily", 9/6)

"We're still basically looking at interest rates and the differential between currencies as the main factor behind the market," says HUBERT PEDROLI of CREDIT SUISSE. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/5)

If the Fed does ease, "long-term market rates are likely to go up because of a loss of faith in the Fed's resolve to fight inflation," says BANKERS TRUST CO. managing director ALAN LERNER. But SAM KAHAN of FUJI SECURITIES also points out that "If the market perceives the Fed easing as a response to a weakening economy that will not lead to higher inflation, then there's no reason for the bond market not to do better." He thinks the Fed is a month too late with this easing move. "The danger for them now is that time is running out," says Kahan. ("Investor's Daily", 9/6)

"The market at this point is looking for U.S. rates to be heading lower, and European and Asian rates to be heading higher," says LISA FINSTROM of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "The U.S. economy is assumed to be on the verge if not in, a recession," while growth rates in Europe and the Far East are "very bouyant," according to Finstrom. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/5)

"I think that the [stock] market is concentrating on the fact that

interest rates may be coming down," says ROBERT HARVEY of SCUDDER, STEVENS & CLARK. He says that with an already weak economy, the employment figures may force the Fed to ease. "What happens in labor is really a leading indicator for wages and that is the long-term source of embedded inflation," according to Harvey. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/5)

"The [bond] market had a relatively good performance in spite of negative news," says JOE LIRO, vice president and money market economist at S.G. WARBURG SECURITIES INC. "But I doubt you are going to see many heavy bets placed until people see the composition of the employment numbers on Friday." He adds, "The market is cautiously optimistic that the Fed is about to ease, but it hasn't swallowed that argument hook, line and sinker. If it had, yields on the two-year Treasury note would be under 8 percent." (NYT, 9/6)

JOHN LONSKI, senior economist at MOODY'S INVESTOR SERVICE, says issuers of junk bonds now face their "severest test." If a recession takes place, he says, the size and number of defaults could outstrip those in the 1981 recession because today only 25% of the junk bond market consists of the highest-rated issues, compared with 42% in 1982. "It's riskier," he says. (NYT, 9/6)

THE ECONOMY:

"I think you're seeing caution, but not yet fear" about the economy, says DOUGLAS LAUGHLIN of BEAR, STEARNS. This growing hesitancy on the part of consumers "is starting to work its way into the numbers," according to Laughlin. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/5)

Sales of North American-made cars and trucks dropped 21% in late August, reflecting consumers' uncertainty about the softening U.S. economy as the Mideast crisis moves into its sixth week. "People are only buying cars when they really need them," says auto analyst CHARLES BRADY of OPPENHEIMER & CO, JOHN GRETTENBERGER, general manager of GENERAL MOTORS' Cadillac division says, "We need good stable Wall Street performance and more good news from the Middle East to see demand restored." (WSJ, 9/6)

IN WASHINGTON:

HOUSE BANKING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN HENRY GONZALES (D. - Tex.), is proposing to cut federal savings insurance to below $100,000 per account, limit the number of accounts that can be insured and consolidate into one agency the regulatory functions of the three federal agencies that oversee banks and savings and loans. "The average account in this country is only about $8,700," says Gonzales. "The overwhelming majority of depositors would be fully protected with far less insurance coverage than the law currently provides." ("The Washington Post" and "USA Today", 9/6)

From the "If-Mohammed-won't-go-to-the-Mountain Department," budget negotiators are considering readjusting the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings deficit targets. "The question is, can you readjust those targets so that we put ourselves back on track in terms of deficit reduction over these next 5 to 6 years?" says REP. LEON PANETTA (D. - Calif.). But HENRY AARON of THE BROOKINGS INSTITUTION thinks whatever measures are enacted will make only small steps towards actual budget reduction. "I am still worried about the prospects of getting a multi-year agreement that really does move us a significant distance towards deficit reduction," says Aaron. (CNN "Moneyline", 9/5)

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TORRANCE, CA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Brands Paint Company (NYSE: SBP) today reported reduced sales and a net loss for the second quarter of its fiscal year ending Jan. 27, 1991. The company also announced a restructuring of its retail operations in order to improve its future cash flow and earnings position.

The company today closed its 16 Home Decorating Centers in Dallas, Houston Austin and San Antonio, Texas, and a distribution facility in Dallas, as well as three smaller units in Merced, Chico and Redding, Calif., and discharged 220 employees in these areas. To provide for the costs of closing its Texas operations including inventory movement and markdowns, fixed store expenses, associated personnel costs, and a comprehensive employee assistance program, the company accrued a one-time restructuring charge of $4,700,000 in addition to a $1,000,000 allowance for loss from discontinued operations.

Stuart D. Buchalter, the company's chief executive officer, stated that "steps are being taken to sell the closed Texas stores and the Dallas distribution facility with the anticipated proceeds to be utilized to repay long-term debt now at $150 million. These properties in Texas have an estimated value of approximately $20,000,000. Upon sale of these properties and the application of the proceeds, the resulting reduction in interest cost and the improvements in the company's balance sheet will help ensure that Standard Brands will continue to grow in its primary marketing areas."

Rick Beck, company president, stated that the company "plans to concentrate its efforts on intensifying our West Coast presence and will now redirect its retailing efforts toward its remaining higher potential Home Decorating Centers. We will also accent our three primary product groups, paint, wallcoverings and floorcoverings and will continue with our strategy of opening Home Decorating Centers within proven marketing areas." New Home Decorating store openings are planned over the next year for Fresno, San Leandro, Ontario, Compton, San Diego and El Centro, Calif.

with two more units in Las Vegas, Nev., and Phoenix, Ariz. In addition, Beck stated that "the continued success of The Art Stores in California will be strengthened with the addition of three new Art Stores in San Diego, Santa Barbara and San Jose, California."

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HARLEYSVILLE, PA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Harleysville Group Inc. (NASDAQ: HGIC), a regional insurance holding company, today announced that an agreement has been reached with Vermont Mutual Insurance Co. to transfer responsibility for Vermont Mutual's operations in Florida and Georgia to the Atlantic Insurance Company of Savannah, Harleysville's southeast regional property and casualty insurance subsidiary. In 1989, Vermont Mutual's direct written premiums were $3.6 million in Florida and $3.1 million in Georgia. More than two- thirds of the business in the two states was in the personal lines, almost exclusively in the homeowners line of business. The transaction is expected to be complete by Oct. 1, 1990.

"The anticipated appointment of Vermont Mutual's agencies in Florida and Georgia will substantially strengthen our presence in the Southeast, giving Atlantic Insurance Company of Savannah an even greater role in our corporate structure," commented Bradford W. Mitchell, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Harleysville Group.

"We look forward to a long-term relationship, providing the marketing and expanded products of a large insurance group, with the personalized service of a regional company," said Louis B. Nagy, president and treasurer of Atlantic Insurance Company.

Harleysville Group Inc. is a regional holding company for four property and casualty insurers whose marketing territory encompasses the entire East Coast. The companies include: Atlantic Insurance Company of Savannah, Harleysville Insurance Company of New Jersey, Huron Insurance Company and Worcester Insurance Company. Harleysville Group also manages the operations of Berkshire Mutual Insurance Group, headquartered in Pittsfield, Mass., the financial results of which are not consolidated into Harleysville Group at the present time. Harleysville Group's net written premiums totalled $300.8 million in 1989, while assets stood at $568.5 million at Dec. 31, 1989.

Harleysville Mutual Insurance Co., founded in 1917, together with Harleysville Group Inc., form one of America's leading regional property and casualty insurance groups. On a combined statutory accounting basis,

the property and casualty operations of the Harleysville organization, including Harleysville Mutual, produced direct written premiums of $584. million in 1989, while consolidated assets were $1.2 billion at Dec. 31, 1989. Harleysville Mutual also has subsidiaries that specialize in insurance and insurance-related services other than direct property and casualty insurance. These subsidiaries are not part of Harleysville Group Inc.

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WORCESTER, MASS. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Cambridge BioScience Corporation (NASDAQ: CBCX) announced that its shareholders, by a majority vote, yesterday ratified the merger between Cambridge BioScience Corporation and Biotech Research Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ: BTRL). Shareholders also approved a name change for the new entity to Cambridge Biotech Corporation. The new entity will continue to trade under the NASDAQ symbol CBCX.

The merger was ratified by a majority of Biotech Research shareholders at a special meeting also held yesterday. The closing of the transaction is expected to take place within the next week.

"The new name, combining the first word of both corporate names, represents the merged interests of two strong, independent companies," said Cambridge BioScience President Patrick J. Leonard, who will now serve as president and chief executive officer of Cambridge Biotech Corporation.

Effective with the merger, the company's board of directors was expanded to elect former BTRL officers and directors Thomas M. Li, W. Samuel Nisbet Thomas T. Taylor and Dr. Douglas Yee to the Cambridge Biotech Corporation board of directors.

Also effective with the merger, Dr. Anthony C. Nicholls, who was president and a director of BTRL, became executive vice president of Cambridge Biotech Corporation.

Cambridge Biotech Corporation is a leader in the development of recombinant technology and a major producer of viral diagnostic products, utilizing recombinant technology in the development and production of antigens. The company also develops adjuvants and monoclonal antibodies as the basis for its product lines of diagnostics, vaccines and therapeutics for humans and animals.

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BioScience, 508-797-5777, or Lisa Burns of Burns McClellan, 212-505-1919, for Cambridge BioScience

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MENLO PARK, CA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Half International Inc. (NYSE: RHI) announced today that its Board of Directors unanimously authorized the repurchase of up to 750,000 shares of common stock or an equivalent amount of debentures convertible into common stock. Such purchases are authorized to be made from time to time on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. The company's Common Stock trades on New York Stock Exchange. The company's debentures which are convertible into common stock trade on the NASDAQ system.

Robert Half International Inc. is the world's first and largest personnel services firm specializing in the placement of accounting, financial, banking, tax, and information systems personnel. The company places permanent employees through its Robert Half(R) division and temporary employees through its Accountemps(R) division. These services are offered through 160 offices located in the United States, Canada and abroad.

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#90249p1737 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. (NYSE: CHH) today reported sales for the four weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990, were $199.7 million, an increase of 1.1 percent from the $197.5 million recorded in the comparable prior year. The company also reported that sales for the 30 weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990, were $1,413.9 million, an increase of .8 percent from the $1,403.3 million recorded in the same period last year. On a comparative store basis, sales were up .1 percent in August and up .2 percent for the 30 weeks.

Philip M. Hawley, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Back-to-school sales arrived late in the month and helped produce a good Labor Day weekend. Special size apparel, women's accessories, and cosmetics performed well during the month."

Carter Hawley Hale operates 115 department stores under the names of The Broadway-Southern California, The Broadway-Southwest, Emporium, Thalhimers and Weinstocks.

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#90249p1738 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
WORCESTER, MA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Transgenic Sciences, Inc. (NASDAQ: TSIN) today announced that it has been awarded two contracts totaling $3.4 million by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) to conduct carcinogenicity and toxicology testing. Separately, TSI received two master agreements from the National Cancer Institute (NCI). The agreements will allow the company to compete for AIDS vaccine-related research funded by the NCI.

"We are pleased to receive the NIEHS contracts, which will contribute to TSI's revenues over the next three years," said James P. Sherblom, TSI chairman and CEO. "The NCI master agreements, which document our expertise in preclinical AIDS research, provide new avenues for revenue growth for the company in this critical therapeutic area."

Under the NIEHS contracts TSI will conduct long-term toxicology and carcinogenicity studies of two widely used chemicals, Phenophthalein and chloropropanol. Phenophthalein is used in certain drugs and as an indicator in acid/base titrations. Chloropropanol is used as a manufacturing intermediate.

TSI is a life sciences company developing advanced toxicology tests and disease models based on genetic engineering and transgenic techniques to improve the efficiency of the pharmaceutical/chemical development process. TSI is also developing animal strains capable of producing commercially valuable pharmaceutical proteins, as well as strains with desirable growth and genetic characteristics.

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#90249p1739 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Claire's Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CLE) today reported net sales for the month of August increased 46 percent to a record $20,420,000 from $14,020,000 a year earlier, with same-store sales advancing 10 percent.

"We are pleased to report these excellent August sales results," stated Rowland Schaefer, Claire's chairman and president. "These sales results are especially impressive in view of the uncertainty of recent political events and their effect on consumer confidence," he continued.

"Our philosophy of providing fun accessories at fabulous prices will enable us to continue to gain market share in virtually any environment," Schaefer concluded.

Claire's Stores, Inc., the nation's premier retailer specializing in one-stop shopping for women's fashion accessories, currently owns and operates 893 stores in 47 states, primarily under the names "Claire's Boutiques," "Topkapi" and "Dara Michelle."

CLAIRE'S STORES, INC.
(Monthly Sales to Date in 000s)

	FY 1991	FY 1990	Total Change	Same-Store Change
REPORTING CHANGE				
February	$13,960	$ 8,150	71 pct.	26 pct.
March	$20,915	$14,640	43 pct.	7 pct.
April	$18,645	$11,530	62 pct.	24 pct.
FIRST QUARTER TOTAL	$53,520	$34,320	56 pct.	17 pct.
May	$16,940	$11,900	42 pct.	14 pct.
June	$20,610	$14,250	45 pct.	12 pct.
July	$17,700	$11,850	49 pct.	7 pct.
SECOND QUARTER TOTAL	$55,250	$38,000	45 pct.	11 pct.
August	$20,420	$14,020	46 pct.	10 pct.
YEAR TO DATE	$129,190	$86,340	50 pct.	13 pct.

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#90249p1741 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE HAVEN, PA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Electronics, Missiles & Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: ECIN) today announced the receipt of its construction permit from the FCC for its non-wireline cellular license for Rural Service Area No. 3 serving Potter, Clinton and Tioga counties located in central Pennsylvania.

Electronics, Missiles and Communications Inc. is a leading manufacturer of television transmission equipment. Its stock is traded Over-the-Counter on the NASDAQ system; ticker symbol ECIN.

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#90249p1743 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - William Wishnick, chairman and chief executive officer of Witco Corporation (NYSE: WIT) said he will retire by the end of the year.

In order to facilitate an orderly transition, William R. Toller, vice chairman and chief financial officer, has been named to succeed Wishnick as chairman and chief executive officer, effective October 1. Toller, 60, had been president of the Continental Carbon Company of Conoco, Inc. when it was acquired by Witco in 1984. He became Witco's chief financial officer in 1986 and was given the additional title of vice chairman in March, 1990.

Denis Andreuzzi, 59, recently elected Witco's president and chief operating officer, was elected to the additional responsibilities of chairman of the executive committee.

Wishnick, 66, will remain on Witco's board of directors, the board's executive committee and the company's compensation and management committees. In 1949 he joined the company that his father, Robert I. Wishnick, had co-founded in 1920, becoming chairman of the board in 1964 and chief executive officer in 1971. He said that "it has been a privilege to serve the company for over forty years, but it's time for me to pursue other interests. I can leave now knowing that Witco will be shepherded by the right people."

Witco manufactures specialty chemical and petroleum products and engineered materials with annual sales of approximately $1.6 billion.

CONTACT: C. R. Solderlind, group vice president, 212-605-3813, or S. L. Levy, 212-605-3815, both of Witco

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PARSIPPANY, NJ (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Armco Inc. (NYSE: AS) announced today that it has extended the expiration date for its pending consent solicitation and offer to purchase its 13-1/2 percent senior notes due in 1994 from consenting noteholders to 5:00 p.m., New York time, on Wednesday Sept. 12, 1990.

The solicitation and offer was originally scheduled to expire at 5:00 p.m. New York time, today.

As of the close of business on Sept. 5, 1990, consents representing approximately $29,263,000 of principal amount of the notes outstanding had been deposited. Of this amount approximately $9,799,000 principal amount of the notes outstanding had been tendered and deposited.

Armco also stated that it was considering amending its pending consent solicitation and offer to purchase on or prior to Sept. 12, 1990. If any amendment is made, the consent solicitation and offer to purchase will be further extended.

CONTACT: James A. Herzog of Armco, 201-316-5276.

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COLUMBUS, OH (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Limited, Inc. (NYSE/LSE/TSE: LTD) reported net sales for the August fiscal month ended Sept. 1, 1990 of $408.3 million, an increase of 14 percent from sales of $359.4 million for the same period in 1989. Sales of $2.670 billion for the seven months ended Sept. 1 increased 18 percent from the same period last year, excluding results of Lerner Woman.

The company's comparable store sales increased 1 percent in August 1990 and 7 percent for the seven months ended Sept. 1, 1990.

The Limited, Inc., through the Limited, Express, Victoria's Secret, Henri Bendel, Lerner New York, Lane Bryant, Abercrombie & Fitch and Penhaligon's presently operates 3,322 specialty apparel stores and distributes apparel nationally through the Victoria's Secret, Lerner Direct, Lane Bryant Direct and Roaman's catalogues.

CONTACT: Alfred S. Dietzel of The Limited, Inc., 614-479-7070.

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#90249p1749 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOMINGUEZ, CA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Pic 'N' Save Corp. (NASDAQ: PICN) today reported a net loss for its second fiscal quarter ended July 29, 1990, of $9,298,000, or $.27 per share, compared with net earnings of $6,403,000, or $.18 per share, in the second fiscal quarter ended July 2, 1989. The second quarter ended July 29, 1990, includes a one-time pretax accounting charge of $19,024,000 for the recent contested proxy solicitation and restructuring program, an amount which translates to $.33 per share after tax.

For the six months ended July 29, 1990, the net loss was $3,362,000, or $.10 per share, compared to net earnings of $11,818,000, or $.33 per share in the first two quarters of the prior year.

Sales during the second fiscal quarter increased 10.7 percent to $112,676,000, from last year's second quarter sales of $101,772,000. Sales in comparable stores for the 13 weeks ended July 29, excluding the Job Lot

Pushcart stores, were 3.4 percent higher than in the same period last year. Sales of $31,732,000 for the four weeks ended Aug. 26, 1990, were 5.6 percent lower than the $33,602,000 in the prior year period, reflecting the sale of the Job Lot Pushcart stores. Sales in comparable stores during the most recent period were 6.1 percent lower than in the prior year, when a major advertising/promotional event occurred. Year-to-date comparable store sales increased by 3.0 percent.

Pic 'N' Save said that due to the change of its fiscal year, this year's second quarter results excluded April, a normally strong month because of the Easter Holiday, and included July, a normally weak month. The company said that its gross profit rate was lower because of the higher provision for inventory shortage during the first half of 1990, and that freight costs were also higher, due to the significant increase in purchasing activity which has occurred to position inventories for strong second half selling opportunities. The company said additionally that markups were somewhat lower in the first half of 1990, based upon lower comparative beginning inventory markups in both the stores and the warehouse. However it said that it expects, based on the steady increase in purchase markup achieved throughout this year, as well as improved control over markdowns, its realized gross profit rates will improve in the third and fourth quarters.

Pic 'N' Save Corp. operates a chain of 176 retail stores in the Far West and the South. These stores all specialize in new, closeout, variety general merchandise which is sold at substantial reductions from original retail prices.

CONTACT: William M. Jacobs Jr., Senior VP, CFO, 213-761-4210 or John F. Hoffner, VP, Controller, 213-761-4246, both of Pic 'N' Save Corp., or Michael S. Sitrick or David S. McAdam of Sitrick & Co., for Pic 'N'Save Corp., 213-208-1108.

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#90249p1751 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Automotive Corp. (NASDAQ: PKRA) has appointed Robert E. Flynn as vice president, domestic sales, for its CarbonClean products. In addition to managing the company's already extensive network of CarbonClean distributors and users, Flynn will be responsible for the development of additional CarbonClean sales in the United States. Currently, Parker's CarbonClean products are approved by, used by and in some cases distributed by numerous major oil companies, auto makers, tool companies, diesel fuel injection repair shops and major engine distributors.

Flynn's background in the trucking and diesel engine industries (two of the company's largest markets) is extensive, most recently serving as

chief executive officer and president of Diesel-Comp Fuel Injection Inc., a leading manufacturer and distributor of fuel injection components. Prior to this, Flynn held various management positions at Chrysler Motor Co. (Dodge Truck Division) and Ford Motor Co. (Heavy Truck Operations). In these positions, Flynn's outstanding achievements were recognized with numerous awards and honors.

Flynn has been a pioneer in the development of fuel savings devices for diesel engines and, in fact, holds several patents on these devices. He holds a degree in business administration from Mt. San Antonio College, and is a graduate of both Ford and Chrysler marketing institutions.

Parker Automotive Corp. is headquartered in Costa Mesa. Manufacturing facilities are in Fountain Valley, Calif., and sales offices are maintained worldwide. The company's CarbonClean family of products, which clean harmful contaminants from internal combustion engines, have proven to dramatically reduce exhaust emissions, restore fuel economy and horsepower and significantly improve operating efficiency. Currently, CarbonClean products are distributed in nearly 60 nations.

CONTACT: Diane Parker, VP-Corporate Communications, Parker Automotive Corp., 714-641-1515

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#90249p1752 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Automotive Corp. (NASDAQ: PKRA) has appointed Donley E. Lincicome as vice president, operations, for the company. In this position, Lincicome will manage all facets of the company's product development, engineering, production, installation, distribution and service.

Prior to joining Parker Automotive, Lincicome managed all warehousing, distribution and transportation activities for Guardian Industries of Upper Sandusky, Ohio, a $1 billion OEM and aftermarket supplier of automotive, architectural, insulation and other glass- related products. As well, Lincicome directed all domestic customer service activity and European and South American sales and distribution efforts through the company's facilities in Spain, France, Germany, England, Brazil and Panama.

Previously, Lincicome held similar positions with Monroe Auto Equipment, the world's largest supplier of OEM and aftermarket ride control products with sales exceeding $600 million annually; and with Maremont Corp. of Nashville, Tenn., a supplier of OEM and aftermarket products with $400 million in annual sales.

Eric A. McAfee, Parker's chief financial officer, said, "In a relatively short period of time and as a result of numerous international contracts,

our production requirements have increased dramatically. We are very pleased to have added Mr. Lincicome to our management team as he has extensive experience in managing the operations of growing companies," added McAfee.

Parker Automotive manufactures and markets CarbonClean, a patented family of products that remove harmful impurities from internal combustion engines. As a result of the cleaning process, exhaust emissions are drastically reduced and fuel economy and engine performance are enhanced. Currently, CarbonClean products are distributed in approximately 60 nations worldwide. Domestically, CarbonClean is approved by and, in some cases, distributed by major oil companies, car manufacturers and tool companies.

Parker Automotive is headquartered in Costa Mesa. Manufacturing facilities are in Fountain Valley, Calif., and sales offices are maintained worldwide.

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#90249p1758 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Mack Trucks Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MACK) and Renault Vehicules Industriels S.A. (RVI) announced today that they have entered into a definitive merger agreement pursuant to which RVI will acquire all the outstanding shares of Mack common stock it does not currently own for $6.25 per share in cash.

RVI stated that it is increasing the price to be paid in its tender offer to $6.25 in cash and that the offer has been extended until 5 p.m., Eastern, on Thursday, Sept. 20, 1990. RVI currently owns approximately 44.5 percent of the outstanding Mack shares. RVI will promptly file with the Securities and Exchange Commission and distribute to Mack stockholders supplemental tender offer materials reflecting the new price.

The tender offer will be followed by a merger pursuant to which the remaining Mack stockholders will receive $6.25 per share in cash.

The financial advisor to Mack's special committee, BT Securities Corp., has delivered its opinion to the Mack special committee to the effect that the $6.25 in cash per share to be received by stockholders in the tender offer and the merger is fair to the holders of shares, other than RVI, from a financial point of view.

The tender offer and merger remain subject to the satisfaction of various conditions, including the termination or expiration of the waiting period

under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976. RVI previously announced that the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice had issued a request for additional information on July 20, 1990.

As of 5 p.m., Eastern, on Sept. 5, 1990, an aggregate of 1,335,966 shares of Mack had been tendered pursuant to the offer by either physical or guaranteed delivery. The tendered shares, together with the Mack shares beneficially owned directly or indirectly by RVI, represent approximately 49 percent of the total outstanding common stock of Mack.

CONTACT: James A. Santanasto of Mack Trucks, 215-439-3591

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#90249p1760 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Woolworth Corporation (NYSE: Z) reported that total sales for the four weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990, rose 13.2 percent to $858 million from $758 million in the comparable year- earlier period.

Domestic sales for the four-week period increased 7.3 percent to $515 million from $480 million, and foreign sales, expressed in U.S. dollars, rose 23.4 percent. If foreign exchange rates had remained constant, foreign sales would have increased 12.2 percent and total sales would have increased 9.1 percent. Domestic comparable store sales for the four-week period rose 2.5 percent.

For the cumulative thirty weeks ended Sept. 1, total sales rose 11.7 percent to $5,200 million from $4,656 million in the corresponding year-earlier period.

Domestic sales for the thirty-week period increased 8.4 percent to $3,004 million from $2,770 million, and foreign sales, expressed in U.S. dollars, rose 16.4 percent. If foreign exchange rates had remained constant, foreign sales would have increased 9.5 percent and total sales would have increased 8.9 percent. Domestic comparable store sales for the thirty-week period rose 4.9 percent.

Harold E. Sells, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "Solid comparable-store sales increases registered by our Kinney operations in the United States and continued strong comparable-store sales gains generated by our Woolworth operations in Germany more than offset soft sales in our other divisions."

CONTACT: W. Barry Thomson of Woolworth, 212-553-2394.

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#90249p1761 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Metropolitan Life Insurance Company and CS First Boston have announced the formation of CS First Boston Global Fund Managers Ltd., a London-based investment advisor offering international investment products and services to U.S pension funds and institutional investors.

"International diversification is an increasingly high priority for U.S. pension funds of all sizes," said Kevin Putt, MetLife vice- president who will head the marketing of CS First Boston Global Fund Managers later this month. "We have been studying ways to enter the field of international investing for several years to expand the services we offer our clients, and we believe this venture is the best way to achieve those objectives," he added.

The firm is currently managing several portfolios for MetLife valued at approximately $200 million. MetLife will begin offering commingled stock and bond funds managed by Global Fund Managers immediately. Additional products, for savings plans and individual annuity investors as well as institutional investors, will be added in the coming months.

In addition to pension fund investments, Global Fund Managers will also offer investment services to 401(k) plans, foundations, endowments, corporations and other financial institutions.

"The 1990s will be the decade of international investment, with merging markets creating even more opportunities. Now we are positioned to offer these growing investment opportunities to our clients," said Putt.

"We are pleased to have formed this alliance," said James Freeman, managing director of CS First Boston and chairman of Global Fund Managers. "The combination of MetLife's financial and marketing strength and CS First Boston's international expertise and resources enables us to offer a very high degree of service to institutional investors," he added.

Investors can obtain more information about CS First Boston Global Fund Managers by contacting Robert Henrikson, vice-president, MetLife, One Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10010, or by calling 212-578-5991.

CONTACT: Timothy Ring, 212-578-6252, or Sheila O'Connor, 212-578-6503, both of Metropolitan Life Insurance.

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#90249p1762 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BENSALEM, PA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Charming Shoppes Inc. (NASDAQ: CHRS) the retail women's apparel chain, reported today that total sales for the four weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990, increased 14 percent to $72.2 million from $63.1 million for the comparable period ended Sept. 2, 1989.

Sales for comparable stores increased 7 percent during August. Sales for the seven months ended Sept. 1, 1990, increased 10 percent to $482.9 million from $439.9 million for the comparable period last year. The company's year-to-date comparable store sales increased 3 percent.

Charming Shoppes Inc. operates 1,038 stores in 40 states, primarily under the names of "Fashion Bug" and "Fashion Bug Plus."

CONTACT: Bernard Brodsky, VP and Treasurer of Charming Shoppes, 215-638-6719

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#90249p1765 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Waste Industries (NASDAQ: WWIN) today announced its sixth consecutive year of record revenue and earnings.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, net income increased 39 percent to $9,692,000, or $.78 per share, from $6,958,000, or $.66 per share, a year earlier. Revenue for the year rose 20 percent to $172,009,000 from $143,131,000 in the prior year.

For the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, net income increased to $2,784,000, or $.21 per share, from $1,860,000, or $.18 per share, in the corresponding prior year period. Revenue increased to $45,072,000 from $38,821,000 in the same period last year.

Per share results have been adjusted to reflect a two-for-one stock split distributed July 31, 1990.

Kosti Shirvanian, president and chief executive officer, attributed the record 1990 results to improvements in all sectors of the company's residential, commercial and industrial markets. In addition to increases from waste collection services, the company's landfill operations were a significant contributor to the 1990 performance. Results for the year also reflected increased interest income.

"During 1991, we expect that our recently acquired landfill, a pending purchase of another, and two additional landfills currently in the permitting stage will contribute to our continued success," Shirvanian noted. "The trends toward private contracting by municipalities and industry consolidation should continue and benefit Western."

Western Waste Industries is a leading integrated solid waste management company, providing collection services, landfill, transfer station and recycling operations for commercial, industrial and residential customers.

The company has operations in California, Texas, Arkansas, Florida, Colorado, Louisiana and Arizona.

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#90249p1767 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The promotion of Jonathan J. Lauckner to director of marketing and business analysis for the Asia-Pacific and Latin America markets was announced today by George C. Eads, vice president in charge of the GM Product Planning and Economics Staff. The appointment is effective Sept. 1.

Lauckner, 33, a native of Flint, Mich., has been a senior administrator in North American vehicle operations on the former GM Marketing and Product Planning Staff since 1988.

He earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Michigan in 1979, and in 1990 he earned his M.S. in management from the Sloan Program of the Stanford Graduate School of Business.

In September 1979, Lauckner joined the Buick Motor Division in the engineering department where he held a variety of assignments until September 1982, when he transferred to Buick's product planning department.

CONTACT: Terry Sullivan of General Motors, 313-556-2019.

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#90249p1768 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELMIRA, NY (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Artistic Greetings Incorporated (NASDAQ: ARTG) today announced it has acquired some of the assets of Philadelphia-based MAQ Inc., a subsidiary of Hosiery Corporation of America, a mail order company specializing in the sale of electronics and specialty items for use at home.

The purchase price was not disclosed. According to Artistic, the acquisition expands to five the number of catalogs the company will mail this fall. Artistic currently mails four other catalogs that feature personalized stationery and gift items. The majority of the products sold by mail at Artistic are personalized.

Stuart Komer, president and chairman at Artistic, said the assets of the catalog company were acquired to expand its current product lines. Those

assets include the catalog named "Markline," the mailing list of some 600,000 names of people who purchased merchandise from "Markline," certain inventories and selected items used to produce the catalog.

CONTACT: Paul E. Hornbuckle, controller of Artistic Greetings Incorporated, 607-733-5541

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#90249p1770 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Dayton Hudson Corporation (NYSE: DH) today reported that its net retail sales for the four weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990, increased 19.9 percent to $1.19 billion from $992 million a year ago .

Comparable-store sales were up 8.0 percent from the same period a year ago.

Kenneth A. Macke, chairman and chief executive officer, described August sales results as "very good and as expected. We are pleased with our August business. Our inventories are in excellent condition and we continue to be on track for solid performance for the year."

August sales by business segment for the four weeks were as follows: -- Target's total sales rose 13 percent while comparable-store sales were up 9 percent.

-- Mervyn's total sales increased 12 percent and comparable-store sales increased 10 percent.

-- The Department Store Division's total sales were up 67 percent and comparable-store sales were up 3 percent. The total sales increase for August primarily reflects 4 weeks' sales from Marshall Field's; the comparable-store sales increase includes Field's, this year and last.

The corporation's sales for the 30 weeks ended Sept. 1 were $7.34 billion, up 13.8 percent from $6.46 billion in the same period a year ago. Comparable store sales for the 30 week period were up 6.1 percent compared to the same period last year.

As of Sept. 1, 1990, Dayton Hudson operated 696 stores in 33 states. NOTE: 1989 numbers exclude Lechmere, which was sold, effective Sept. 30, 1989.

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#90249p1771 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORRISTOWN, PA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Metrophone, the Philadelphia area's leading provider of cellular service, announced today it is offering two new programs designed to make car phone service widely available and affordable to area consumers.

Highlights of the first new plan include a monthly cellular access charge of $9.95, and flexible local calling rates that adjust to callers' usage. The plan also includes premium calling services like call waiting and conference calling, and excludes long distance charges on weekends.

A second plan offers additional premium calling features, local cellular calling rates in an expanded calling area from Atlantic City, N.J., to State College, Pa., and free voice mail service. Both plans offer an optional $15 a month phone lease.

In announcing the new plans, Michael E. Kalogris, Metrophone's president and chief executive officer, stated, "Metrophone has built its reputation as the area leader in cellular phone service by listening and responding to the needs of consumers. We are very pleased to offer the first service plans which allow customers to pay for what they use and are specifically designed to meet consumer demand for lower access charges and flexible calling rates.

"Metrophone is committed to developing programs and services like these to meet the needs of our customers," added Kalogris. "A key feature of the new plans are their flexible rate structures. Under the $9.95 plan, for example, customers are billed at 74 cents per minute for the first 59 minutes of peak local calls. If customers use more than an hour's worth of peak minutes per month, they pay only 55 cents per minute, even for the calls they've already made."

Metrophone markets its cellular service through a network of more than 300 outlets in the Delaware Valley area. According to Kalogris, "This large network is the core of our local customer approach. It allows us to remain close to our customers and to offer them access to Metrophone products and services in their own community."

Metrophone offers the widest toll-free calling area in the Delaware Valley permitting customers to make and receive calls in the entire 215 area code in Pennsylvania, including Philadelphia, Reading and Allentown; Bucks Chester, Delaware and Montgomery counties. The company's coverage area also incorporates portions of New Jersey including Burlington, Camden and Gloucester counties, and the state of Delaware.

CONTACT: Bonnie Jacobs of Lewis Gilman Golin/Harris, 215-790-7822, for Metrophone, or Melissa Nichols of Metrophone, 215-666-9850.

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#90249p1772 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LEE, NJ (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - A. L. Laboratories, Inc. (NYSE: BMD) reported today that it has secured a $220 million acquisition financing commitment from a consortium of eleven European banks led by the Union Bank of Norway. Funds from the commitment would be used for acquisitions in the pharmaceutical and animal health businesses.

The agreement is being signed today by I. Roy Cohen, president and chief executive officer of the company, and by representatives of each of the banks in a special ceremony in Baltimore. In addition to the Union Bank of Norway, the banks include the West German bank - Westdeutsche Landesbank Girozentrale; the Danish banks - Sparekassen Bikuben A/S, Unibank A/S; the Finnish bank - Skopbank; the Swedish banks - Sparbankernas Bank, Forsta Sparbanken; and the Norwegian banks - Sparebanken Vest, Sparebanken Sor, Sparebanken Rogaland, Sparebanken Midt-Norge.

The financing commitment for acquisitions runs for two years; drawings on the commitment will be unsecured, and can be repaid up to a ten year period, at favorable interest rates based on LIBOR.

Cohen commented, "We are gratified by the level of confidence in our company represented by a commitment of this magnitude and these terms from a prestigious European banking group. It provides us with substantial flexibility for achieving our stated goal of reaching $1 billion in revenues by the year 2000."

Cohen continued, "Our long-established and proven strategies will direct our prudent acquisition activities as they do our internal growth. Accordingly, we will focus on specialty growth markets within the pharmaceutical and animal health industries in which application of our scientific, manufacturing and marketing capability can add value and enhance product and overall profitability. We plan to build upon our market leadership through Barre-National in liquid pharmaceuticals, in topical creams and ointments through our recent NMC acquisition, and our growing interest in inhalants and aerosol products."

"The entrepreneurial, specialty pharmaceutical industry, now accelerating in its consolidation, presents exciting opportunities for the continued growth of A. L. Laboratories. With important new potential financing in place, we can proceed confidently and vigorously towards our goal," Cohen concluded.

A. L. Laboratories is a multinational manufacturer and marketer of specialized value-added branded generic pharmaceuticals and animal health micronutrients, with plant sites in Chicago Heights, Ill.; Niagara Falls and Glendale, N.Y.; Baltimore; Bellevue, Wash.; Copenhagen, Denmark; and

Jakarta, Indonesia.

CONTACT: Jeffrey E. Smith, vice president-finance, or Iris D. Daniels, both of A. L. Laboratories, 201-947-7774; or June Filingeri of Morgen-Walke Associates, 212-986-5900, for A. L. Laboratories.

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#90249p1775 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB has chosen Bozell Inc. of Dallas, Texas, to handle all advertising for NCNB Corporation (NYSE: NCB) and its banking subsidiaries. Brad C. Iversen, marketing division executive for NCNB Corporation, said the decision is effective immediately.

Since acquiring NCNB Texas National Bank in July 1988, NCNB had used two advertising agencies. Bozell was associated with NCNB Texas and McKinney & Silver of Raleigh had the Southeast portion.

In June, NCNB announced it was combining the consumer and commercial banking functions of its six Southeastern banks with those of NCNB Texas. The move placed NCNB's more than 938 branches into one national organization called NCNB General Bank.

"Now that we have restructured NCNB as a national organization, it makes sense to have one agency communicate one image for all our products and services," Iversen said.

"To continue our growth, we at NCNB feel we must maximize our marketing efforts," Iversen continued. "We need one communications company responsible for our full array of coordinated communications.

"McKinney & Silver is an excellent advertising agency and has provided outstanding service and a high-quality creative product for NCNB during the last 14 years," Iversen said.

But he pointed out that Bozell has been associated with NCNB Texas and predecessor banks for more than 38 years. "Bozell has done an outstanding job representing NCNB in Texas and has the full-service capabilities we need in an advertising agency," he said.

Bozell is an international advertising agency with offices throughout the world, including in New York, Los Angeles and Detroit. The agency also has a presence in Atlanta and Tampa. American Airlines is a major account in Bozell's Dallas office.

NCNB Corporation is the seventh largest bank holding company in the United States with more than $66 billion in assets and full-service banks in North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Maryland, Georgia, Virginia, and

Texas.

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#90249p1778 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Carl Westcott, founder and CEO of Westcott Communications (NASDAQ: WCTV), today announced plans for the Professional Security Television Network (PSTN), which will provide on-going training, news and information programs for security managers, officers and specialists.

PSTN, scheduled to begin broadcasting during the first quarter of 1991, will be the first television network aimed exclusively to the professional security market.

According to Westcott, concerns among the business community for the well-being of employees and the security of physical assets have escalated along with increased crime in the streets and in the workplace. In addition, corporate executives are placing greater emphasis on creating a drug-free environment, safeguarding proprietary information and managing workplace liability. Combining the cost-effectiveness of training via satellite technology with the immediacy of television, PSTN will provide security managers, specialists and officers with solutions to today's complex security issues.

Initially, PSTN will broadcast programs two days per week for four hours each day. These programs will be produced at Westcott's studios in Dallas, uplinked to a satellite, and downlinked to satellite dish antennas that PSTN will install at the locations of its corporate customers. Security personnel at these companies can watch the television programming at times convenient to their schedules. The potential exists for a viewer population of 500,000, including 25,000 professional level security practitioners, to take advantage of PSTN programming.

Approximately 75 percent of the PSTN programs will provide training and information for security managers and specialists, with the remaining 25 percent designed to meet more basic instructional needs of security officers. In addition, a five-minute industry newscast will provide updates to the security professionals on the hour and half-hour.

Westcott Communications, a pioneer in business television networks, is the parent company of the Automotive Satellite Television Network (ASTN), which broadcasts to 5,000 automotive dealers across the U.S. and Canada, and the Law Enforcement Television Network (LETN), which broadcasts to more than 1,800 law enforcement agencies.

Headquartered in Dallas, Westcott Communications' stock is publicly traded under the symbol WCTV on the NASDAQ National Market System.

CONTACT: Mary Ann DeMuth or Alan Ulman, 404-688-7820, both of Hill and Knowlton for Westcott Communications

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#90249p1779 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDEN, COLO., (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Imex Medical Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: IMEX) today reported its fourth consecutive profitable year with net income of $180,024 or $.03 per share on revenues of $6,280,988 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, compared to net income of $622,115 or $.10 per share on revenues of $6,716,096 for fiscal 1989.

Dennis Newman, chief executive officer of Imex said, "We are disappointed that this year's earnings did not reach our goals and that revenues are down 6 percent from a year ago, but are grateful for continued profitability." He said a sharp decline in business to a major OEM distributor coupled with increased costs due to distribution channel changes held this year's earnings below expectations.

"We are continuing to enhance our distribution network," he added, "and research and development funding will continue strong as investments we have made come to market in the form of new products this fiscal year."

Headquartered in Golden, Colo., Imex specializes in "user-friendly" and cost effective instrumentation for the office-based physician. The company produces several diagnostic instruments for either fetal heartbeat detection or for early detection of disease conditions which may lead to poor blood circulation in the legs, stroke, and other vascular problems.

IMEX MEDICAL SYSTEMS, INC. -- FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	Year Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenue	$6,280,988	$6,716,096
Net income	$180,024	$622,115
Per share	$.03	$.10
Shares outstanding	6,239,925	6,193,750

CONTACT: Dennis R. Newman, President/CEO or Ernest S. Malachowski, Chief Operating Officer, of Imex Medical, 303-431-9400

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PURCHASE, NY (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM Corporation (NYSE: IBM) and

Metaphor Computer Systems, Inc. today announced that the two companies have formed Patriot Partners. This partnership will create a new suite of application system software that will simplify development, increase development productivity and allow single application designs to work with multiple operating systems and networks.

The advanced technology for the planned application software environment that will be developed by Patriot Partners will operate under Operating System/2(A) (OS/2(A)) and Advanced Interactive Executive(A) (AIX(A)), as well as a number of other versions of UNIX(A).

Hardware support will include a wide range of personal computers and workstations from IBM and other vendors. A number of different networks will also be supported, without requiring adaptation by the application developer.

The partnership's long-term development project is intended to provide microcomputer applications programs with support for a number of important advanced software technologies not provided in today's more popular software environments: class libraries for object-oriented programming, multimedia support, end-user visual programming capabilities, and structured access to expert system facilities.

The partnership intends to exploit the potential of 32-bit architecture, greater memory and display capabilities, and the client/server model for distributed computation. Details of the partnership agreement were not disclosed.

"It's too costly and complex for software developers to build the new and groundbreaking applications that are needed to reach the vast market of unserved users," said David E. Liddle, Metaphor president and CEO, and president of Patriot Partners. "To fuel industry development of breakthrough applications, we hope to create an environment where developers will no longer have to build applications from scratch for every operating system."

"Our customers have made clear the need in their strategic planning for a software environment that will allow them to choose hardware products, operating systems, networks, and applications independently, and to have the various combinations interoperate in providing real business solutions " said Joseph M. Guglielmi, IBM vice president and president, Application Solutions Division. "Moreover, they want new applications that are designed to exploit emerging advanced technologies like multimedia."

The outcome of the project will be an open, standards-based, technologically advanced software environment available to all interested software and hardware vendors. "We feel that the industry can best develop in an atmosphere of open, competitive standards," said James A. Cannavino,

IBM vice president and general manager, Personal Systems.

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LONGMONT, COLO. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Discovery Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: DSCV) today announced a net loss for the year ended June 30, 1989 of $1,477,920 (13 cents per share). This compares to a net loss of $485,804 (five cents per share) for the six months ended June 30, 1989 and $517,473 (seven cents per share) for the year ended Dec. 1, 1988.

Sales for the year ended June 30, 1990 were $1,528,663, compared to $343,191 for the six months ended June 30, 1989 and $104,602 for the year ended Dec. 31, 1988.

Discovery Technologies designs, manufactures and markets video products that transmit pictures over standard voice grade telephone lines. The company's current products consist of a high-definition full-color microscope imaging system for both industrial and medical applications and medical diagnostic quality image management and communication systems.

DISCOVERY TECHNOLOGIES INC.
Statement of Operations

	Year Ended 6-30-90	Six Months Ended 6-30-89	Year Ended 12-31-88
Sales	$ 1,528,663	$ 343,191	$ 104,602
Gross profit	559,264	22,686	11,508
Net loss	(1,477,920)	(485,804)	(517,473)
Weighted average shares outstdg.	11,323,000	8,991,000	7,391,000

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ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Edison Brothers Stores, Inc., (NYSE: EBS) sales and earnings continued to grow in the second quarter, it was reported today by Andrew E. Newman, chairman, and Martin K. Sneider, president.

Net income reached $10.8 million or 51 cents per share in the quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990. This was an increase of 25.6 percent in total and 18.6 percent per share over net income of $8.6 million or 43 cents per

share in the quarter ended July 29, 1989. (Income per share for 1989 is adjusted for the December, 1989, two-for-one stock split.)

Sales for the second quarter of 1990 were $273.0 million, an increase of 19.6 percent over the $228.2 million in the second quarter of 1989.

For the first half of 1990, net income was $18.3 million or 88 cents per share. This was up 26.2 percent in total and 22.2 percent per share over $14.5 million or 72 cents per share in the first half of 1989 (adjusted for the stock split).

Sales for the first half of 1990 were $521.0 million, an increase of 17.6 percent over the $442.9 million in the first half of 1989.

Second-quarter earnings included an unusual after-tax gain of $2.9 million that was fully offset by other unusual transactions. The gain resulted from the purchase of annuity contracts by the company's pension trust. The principal offsetting transactions included a reserve for costs associated with discontinuing operation of shoe departments in Hess's department stores, adjustment of lease right values, and recognition of potential exposure from a 1982 countervailing duty claim.

The company's board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to one million shares of the company's common stock. The company may be purchasing shares from time to time at market prices.

During the second quarter of 1990, Edison opened 77 stores, including 55 converted from Foxmoor and Fashion Conspiracy to other chains, and acquired 132 entertainment centers. The company closed 21 stores in ongoing chains, ending the period with 2,577 units in operation. The full year will see about 300 store openings, not including acquisitions, and about 150 closings.

Edison Brothers Stores operates: JW/Jeans West, Coda, Oaktree, J. Riggings, and Repp Ltd. men's apparel stores; 5-7-9 Shops women's apparel stores; Joan Bari accessories boutiques; Bakers, Leeds, Chandlers, The Wild Pair, Velocity, and Sacha London shoe stores; Fashion Shoe departments in certain department stores; Space Port and Time-Out entertainment centers; and Dave and Buster's restaurant/entertainment complexes.

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#90249p1791 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - K mart Corporation (NYSE: KM) today

reported a sales increase of 11.1 percent for August 1990 over sales during the same period of last year.

Consolidated sales for the four-week period ended Aug. 29, 1990, amounted to $2,332,515,000 vs. sales of $2,099,610,000 for the four weeks ended Aug. 30, 1989. Sales for the 30 weeks ended Aug. 29, 1990, were $17,162,312,000, up 12.2 percent from the $15,295,146,000 for the first 30 weeks of 1989.

K mart Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Joseph E. Antonini said, "Strong apparel sales and good sell-thru of back-to-school merchandise contributed to the August sales gain, more than offsetting some softness in electronics and other big-ticket categories. Good comparable store gains were achieved by most of the specialty store businesses."

K mart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. K mart, currently operating 2,330 K mart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse Clubs, and The Sports Authority.

K mart Corporation's stock is listed on the New York, Pacific, Midwest and Tokyo stock exchanges. Its trading symbol is KM.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF K MART CORPORATION ESTIMATED CONSOLIDATED SALES

	4 Weeks Ended 8/29/90	30 Weeks Ended 8/29/90
	4 Weeks Ended 8/30/89	30 Weeks Ended 8/30/89
Fiscal 1990 sales	$ 2,332,515,000	$17,162,312,000
Fiscal 1989 sales	$ 2,099,610,000	$15,295,146,000
Dollar difference	$ 232,905,000	$ 1,867,166,000
Percentage change	11.1 pct.	12.2 pct.
Comparable store sales gain	1.6 pct.	2.6 pct.

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FRANKENMUTH, MICH. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Despite sluggish growth in the beer market, Frankenmuth Brewery, Inc. output is growing rapidly. "Our sales in dollars for the first eight months of 1990 are running 87 percent ahead of the same period in 1989," said Ferdinand M. Schumacher, president and CEO of Frankenmuth Brewery, Inc. The company sells 95 percent of its beers in Michigan. The rest is sold in Ohio, Indiana and Chicago.

"I'm glad that more and more people are starting to appreciate our beers,

which are all made according to the German Purity Law," said Fred Scheer, the award-winning German brewmaster. Frankenmuth's Dark and Bock won the Gold and Silver Medals, respectively, at last year's Great American Beer Festival in Denver. The brewery's beers earned additional awards at tasting competitions in Wisconsin and Chicago.

"People today drink less, but better," continued Schumacher, "and all our beers are ideally suited for that purpose."

Frankenmuth Brewery, in addition to brewing Frankenmuth beers, also makes Old Detroit Amber Ale. The Old Detroit brand is rapidly pleasing beer lovers not only in Michigan, but also in Toledo, Ohio, and Chicago. "We are happy to be associated with such a quality-oriented brewery," said Christopher Dean, president of the Old Detroit Brewing Company.

Frankenmuth Brewery is the oldest and largest operating brewery in the State of Michigan.

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#90249p1800 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Glenex Industries reported today that Colorization Inc., a 50.5 percent subsidiary, will colorize 28 vintage Laurel and Hardy comedy films under an agreement with Qintex Entertainment Inc.

The films will be used to create programming for the MTV network, a division of Viacom International Inc. under a license with MTV.

Colorization pioneered the technology of producing color video from black and white films and television programs. "As a result of ongoing research and development, significant technological improvements have been made in recent months which have resulted in a higher quality product with finer resolution at more favorable costs," reported Norman Glick, president and CEO of Glenex Industries.

Glenex Industries, a diversified investment-management company, is active in oil and gas production, in the manufacturing and distribution of specialty chemicals as well as in the entertainment industry.

Glenex shares trade in the United States on NASDAQ (symbol: GLXIF) and in Canada on the Vancouver Stock Exchange (symbol: GXI).

CONTACT: Norman Glick, president, or Elaine N. Carlebach, vice president-investor relations, 416-962-9292, both of Glenex

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#90249p1803 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Agreement has been reached by Burmah Castrol for the sale of its two ultra large crude carriers to subsidiaries of Concordia Maritime AB, a publicly quoted company within the Stena Group for a consideration of US $47.4 million.

The two vessels have been operating under a seven year bareboat charter to Concordia since the autumn of 1988. Details will be finalized shortly and delivery of the two vessels will take place in October.

CONTACT: James Alexander of Burmah Castrol plc, 011-44-71-499-9533, or Jeff Zilka or Stuart Carlisle of Dewe Rogerson Inc., (212) 688-6840, for Burma Castrol.

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#90249p1808 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Independent Entertainment Group (NASDAQ: INDE) announced today that it has raised a total of $2.3 million through its current warrant offering and that its board of directors has voted to let the remaining warrants expire on Sept. 10, 1990.

"This infusion of capital places the company in its strongest financial position since inception," said Lew Eisaguirre, chief financial officer. "With virtually no debt on the books and a much stronger working capital position, we are now poised to pursue several projects which have been on the back burner."

"Although our stock price has certainly taken a beating the past few months," Eisaguirre continued, "It doesn't appear to correlate with our financial performance since our market cap is only around one half of last year's sales of $10.6 million. We are hopeful that terminating the warrant offering will relieve the pressure on our stock price. With a public float of only about 1.7 million shares, it appears to us that the market should rebound with a tighter supply of stock."

IEG recently announced year-end results of $10,624,628 in revenues and $112,934 in earnings for the year ended April 30, 1990. The company specializes in the promotion, acquisition and distribution of sporting events, movies, concerts and other programming to the burgeoning pay-per-view marketplace.

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#90249p1814 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - 3M expects higher third-quarter and full-year sales and earnings, company executives told financial analysts here today.

Roger W. Roberts, senior vice president, Finance, told analysts that 3M's third-quarter results will depend "a good deal" on results in September, "an important month for us in the United States," but that the company looks for third-quarter earnings to increase at a faster rate than the five percent recorded in the first half.

"As of right now, it appears that our U.S. volume growth will be better than the three percent we had in the second quarter," Roberts said, adding that much of the improvement is coming from the company's largest business sector, Industrial and Electronic.

"It also appears that our international volume growth will be stronger than in the first half. It should be similar to the 13 percent we averaged for all of last year," he said.

According to Roberts, changes in the value of the U.S. dollar are expected to add about five to six cents a share to third-quarter earnings. Results for the quarter also should be helped by "continued productivity gains, recovery in our Brazilian business and a lower effective tax rate," he said. In the third quarter of last year, net income totaled $307 million, or $1.37 a share, on sales of $2.994 billion.

Given the recent rise in oil prices, Roberts said, "We will see some minor impact in the second half. A number of avenues are being pursued to offset this impact: selling price adjustments, conservation measures and raw material substitutions."

Allen F. Jacobson, chairman and chief executive officer, pointed out that 3M has achieved strong results the past several years. Since 1985, earnings have grown 87 percent, from $664 million to $1.244 billion; return on equity has risen from 17.2 percent to 23.1 percent; and return on capital has risen from 20.0 percent to nearly 27 percent. "That's a good record," Jacobson said, adding, "The question is, 'How do we plan to maintain it during the 1990s?'"

Jacobson noted that in the past five years, the company has invested $3.3 billion in research and development, much of it to develop and build technologies. "In the '90s, we'll be harvesting the fruits of these investments," he said. "Our emphasis is going to be getting products to market faster." He said the company will aim to cut by 50 percent the time it takes to commercialize a technology.

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#90249p1819 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

KENT, WA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Flow International Corporation (NASDAQ: FLOW) reported today record sales of $10.8 million for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990, compared to $10.4 million for the same period a year ago. Earnings for the quarter were 7 cents per share, including 4 cents per share of extra- ordinary gain. These earnings compare to earnings of 5 cents per share for the same period last year, including 1 cent per share of extraordinary gain.

Earnings for the quarter were reduced by approximately 2 cents per share due to expenses related to Flow's efforts to maximize shareholder value, the Booz-Allen study relating to strategic options for Flow's Taiwan subsidiary, and dividends on the preferred stock issued to Okura & Co. (America), Inc.

The increased extraordinary gain is the result of greater utilization of the net operating loss carryforwards due to the increased profitability of ADMAC operations. ADMAC was acquired by Flow in February 1989.

Flow International is the world's leader in ultrahigh-pressure waterjets for industrial cutting and HydroMilling services.

FLOW INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income
(In thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

Three months ended July 31	1990	1989
Sales	$10,777	$10,405
Cost of goods sold	5,320	4,871
Gross profit	5,457	5,534
Expenses: Marketing and service	1,842	1,967
Research and engineering	1,204	1,094
General and administrative	1,467	1,470
Total	4,513	4,531
Operating income	944	1,003
Interest and other expense, net	281	272
Income before provision for income taxes & extraordinary item	663	731
Provision for income taxes	219	226
Income before extraordinary item	444	505
Extraordinary item: Realization of operating loss carryforwards of ADMAC	435	79
Net income	$ 879	$ 584
Earnings per common share:		

Income before extraordinary item	.03	.04
Extraordinary item	.04	.01
Net income	$ .07	$ .05

CONTACT: Y.H. (Michael) Pao, chairman, president & CEO, or Karen Larsen of Flow International, 206-872-4900, or Anthony J. Russo or Claudia Mueller of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for Flow International.

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EDISON, NJ (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Engelhard Corporation (NYSE: EC) announced today that it has sold, for cash, its crystals and electronics business to Societe Europeenne Des Produits Refractaires (SEPR) of Paris, a subsidiary of Saint-Gobain S.A.

Engelhard acquired the business in May 1988 as part of its purchase of the Harshaw/Filtrol Partnership. From operations at Solon, Ohio and DeMeern, The Netherlands, the business supplies scintillation crystals and electronic systems to monitor radiation exposure levels.

Included in the sale is the Solon manufacturing facility and equipment from the plant in DeMeern. Engelhard will retain the facility at DeMeern, which primarily supports Engelhard's chemical catalysts business, and will lease space there to SEPR.

Engelhard announced earlier this year that it intended to sell its crystals and electronics business as part of a major plan to reorganize and restructure the company. Engelhard Corporation is a world leading provider of specialty chemical products, engineered materials and precious metal management services.

SEPR, a well-known manufacturer of various specialty refractory materials, also produces technical ceramics, silica products for high-tech applications and a wide range of crystals for nuclear radiation detection and optical applications.

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MILWAUKEE (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Value Merchants, Inc., (NASDAQ: VLMR) Milwaukee based operator of Toy Liquidators and Everything's A $1.00 retail sotres and the Wisconsin Toy Wholesale Company, annnounced today that operations for the second quarter (12 weeks) of fiscal 1991, ended Aug. 18, 1990, resulted in a net profit of $489,000 or $.08 per share

compared to a net profit of $160,000 or $.03 per share reported in the comparable period for fiscal 1990. Gross revenues for the period were $25,477,000 compared to $10,846,000 reported for the same period last year.

The company reported that its retail operations, Toy Liquidators stores in factory outlet malls and Everything's A $1.00 sotores in regional shopping malls showed an increase in comparable store sales of 2 percent and 27 percent, respectively, from the same period last year.

In addition, Value Merchants said that since the beginning of fiscal 1991 it had opened 19 Toy Liquidators stores, giving them a total of 94 stores, and 25 Everything's A $1.00 stores, giving them a total of 86 stores nationwide. The company intends to open approximately 16 stores during the balance of the 1991 fiscal year.

Revenues for the 28 week period ended Aug. 18, 1990, were $48,655,000 compared to revenues of $23,159,000 in the comparable period for fiscal 1990. The firm reported a net loss of $378,000, or a loss of $.07 per share, compared to net income of $81,000 or $.02 per share for the comparable six month period in fiscal 1990.

During the second quarter, Value Merchants successfully completed the inventory liquidation of certain assets of the bankrupt Toy King retail chain. The firm also annonced that it had executed an agreement with a major discount department store chain to be the exclusive supplier of toy merchandise to 75 of the chain's stores for the 1990 Christmas Season.

Value Merchants, Inc. is a publicly-owned company whose stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol VLMR.

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#90249p1825 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The May Department Stores Company (NYSE: MA) today reported preliminary sales from continuing operations were up 12 percent to $762.4 million for the four-week period ended Sept. 1. Sales reported during the same period a year ago were $681 million.

Sales through the first seven months of fiscal 1990 were $5.14 billion, an increase of 10.1 percent from sales of $4.67 billion reported in the similar period last year.

Department store sales for August were $638.5 million, up 10.7 percent or $61.9 million from last year. Sales for Volume Shoe totaled $123.9 million, an increase of 18.6 percent or $19.5 million.

Sales were as follows:

AUGUST SALES (Millions)

	Store-for-Store(A)			
	1990	1989	Percent increase	
Department stores	$ 638.5	$ 576.6	10.7	5.8
Volume Shoe	123.9	104.4	18.6	10.5
TOTAL	$ 762.4	$ 681	12	6.5

YEAR-TO-DATE SALES (Millions)

			Store-for-Store(A)	
	1990	1989	Percent increase	
Department stores	$4,331.7	$3,956.9	9.5	5
Volume Shoe	809.8	712.5	13.7	6.4
TOTAL	$5,141.5	$4,669.4	10.1	5.2 (A)

Store-for-store sales represent sales of those stores open during both years.

The company's 1989 fiscal year included 53 weeks and, based on the 4-5-4 reporting calendar, the August 1990 period began one week later than the August 1989 period. On an adjusted basis aligning the 1989 calendar to 1990, sales would have been:

CALENDAR-ADJUSTED AUGUST SALES (Millions)

	Store-for-Store			
	1990	1989	Percent increase	
Department stores	$ 638.5	$ 588.7	8.5	3.7
Volume Shoe	123.9	111.9	10.7	3.1
TOTAL	$ 762.4	$ 700.6	8.8	3.6

The May Department Stores Company is one of the largest retailers in the United States, operating 298 department stores and 2,818 specialty shoe stores, and 78 Venture stores.

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#90249p1831 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Canal Capital Corporation (NYSE: COW) today reported a net loss of $1,312,000, or 39 cents per common share, for the nine months ended July 31, 1990, as compared with net income of $312,000 which resulted in a loss (after preferred dividend) of 17 cents per common share, for the same period in 1989. The 1989 results include income from discontinued operations of $924,000 related to Canal's stockyards operations, which were sold in October 1989, while the 1990 results include an extraordinary gain of $148,000 (net of income taxes) on the retirement of debt.

The 1990 loss was caused by softer than anticipated results from the art, real estate and securities trading and investing operations as well as slightly higher than anticipated interest expense. These were somewhat offset by stronger results from the agribusiness operations and lower general and administrative expenses.

Revenues from continuing operations, which include gross sales from each of Canal's art, real estate and agribusiness operations as well as the income or loss from the company's investment program, were $7,843,000 for the first nine months of 1990 as compared with $14,110,000 for the same period in 1989. It should be noted that the 1989 revenues from continuing operations exclude revenue from stockyards operations which are presented as discontinued operations.

For the third quarter of 1990, Canal recognized net income of $249,000, or 4 cents per common share, on revenues of $3,116,000, as compared with a net loss of $230,000, or 13 cents per common share, on revenues of $3,467,000 for the same period in 1989. The 1989 results include income from discontinued stockyard operations of $268,000.

Income (loss) from Canal's securities trading and investing operations included unrealized appreciation in the market value of its marketable securities portfolio of $396,000 and unrealized depreciation of $1,129,000 for the nine months ended July 31, 1990 and 1989, respectively. There was also unrealized appreciation of $389,000 and unrealized depreciation of $834,000 for the three-month periods ended July 31, 1990 and 1989, respectively, in the market value of Canal's marketable securities portfolio.

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#90249p1832 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange today opened put and call options trading on the over-the-counter stock of Scitex Corporation Ltd. (options symbol:SXQ). Based in Herzlia, Israel, the company produces interactive computer imaging systems, includig hardware and software, which automate the reproduction of high quality graphics and text.

The new option has been allocated to the specialist firm of Weiskopf, Silver & Company, with William Silver as lead specialist.

SXQ opened with strike prices of 15, 17 1/2 and 20 and position limits of 5,500 contracts. Initial expiration months are October and November of

1990 and January and April of 1991.

The Amex trades a total of 208 stock options, including 49 options on OTC stocks. In addition, options are traded on three broad-market indexes -- the Major Market Index (XMI), the Institutional Index (XII) and the International Index (ADR) -- as well as two narrow-based indexes -- the Oil Index (XOI) and the Computer Technology Index (XCI).

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#90249p1835 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears Merchandise Group today reported that its gross revenues from continuing operations for the four weeks ended Sept. 1 were 4.7 percent higher than 1989. Comparable store sales were 4.1 percent above last year, Sears said.

Gross revenues for the period were $2,634,180,994, compared with $2,516,082,883 last year.

Edward A. Brennan, chairman and chief executive officer of Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S), said that despite the economic and political uncertainties of recent weeks, sales in key lines of merchandise have remained strong. "Apparel sales are very gratifying," Brennan said, "with dresses, intimate apparel, footwear and men's sportswear doing especially well." On the hardlines side of the business, home office products, hardware and lawn and garden merchandise and automotive products and services posted solid gains.

Sears Merchandise Group reported gross revenues of $18,728,547,287 for the 30 weeks ended Sept. 1. This was an increase of $507,394,847, or 2.8 percent, over revenues of $18,221,152,440 in the same period of 1989.

SEARS MERCHANDISE GROUP

	Four Weeks	30 Weeks
1990	$2,634,180,994	$18,728,547,287
1989	2,516,082,883	18,221,152,440
Increase	118,098,111	507,394,847
Percent change from continuing operations	4.7	2.8
Comp. retail store change	4.1	2.9

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#90249p1837 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM today announced the availability of feature enhancements for DisplayWrite 5 that include increased printer support, additional graphics and Postscript font support and several improvements designed to increase ease-of-use.

The enhancements are available free of charge for licensed users of DisplayWrite 5, the newest member of IBM's personal computer word processing family. Announced in April, DisplayWrite 5 provides advanced text-handling features in the Disk Operating System (DOS) environment.

New printers now supported with DisplayWrite 5, Modification 1 include the Hewlett-Packard LaserJet III and the IBM 4019 LaserPrinter E. In addition five new Personal System/2 (PS/2) computers are supported, along with the DOS Office Direct Connect feature of IBM OfficeVision on the Multiple Virtual System (MVS) platform.

The ease-of-use enhancements include new list services features, improved typestyle selection, improved cursor movement, and improved generation of ASCII files.

Also available free of charge to licensed DisplayWrite 5 users is the IBM DisplayWrite Graphics Import Utility, which enables users to convert certain graphics files to Revisable Form Text (RFT), which then can be inserted into a DisplayWrite document. Applications supported are Lotus 1-2-3 Version 2.01 PIC files; Harvard Graphics Version 2.1 CGM files; and Freelance Plus Version 2.01 GMF files.

"As part of our ongoing effort to respond to our customers' word processing requirements, we are committed to supporting and enhancing DisplayWrite," said Tom Fornoff, manager of editor marketing for IBM Desktop Software.

To order DisplayWrite 5, Modification 1, or the DisplayWrite Graphics Import Utility, users can call 800-237-5511.

For more information on DisplayWrite, users can call 800-IBM-7699.

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#90249p1852 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Stuart Landow, president and CEO of Top Source, Inc. (NASDAQ: TOPS) announced today the signing of an exclusive license agreement with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Cambridge, Mass. The agreement provides Top Source with several proprietary technologies (patent applications are being prepared) that will directly affect final design of the Top Source automotive safety seat

device. Patent applications will include methods to identify and achieve optimal seat motion which restrains occupants during frontal collisions, potentially reducing bodily injuries. Top Source may also sub-license any technologies to seat frame, restraint and/or vehicle manufacturers.

The Top Source mechanism, which will be built into the seat frame, allows the seat to move slightly forward and tilt rearward during a frontal crash alleviating unwanted forward body motion and potentially reducing injuries. Landow said, "The seat motion is achieved by the force generated from the crash, requiring no additional power. Sled crash tests will be used to verify results of computer simulated crashes." Top Source believes the final design can be inexpensively added to seat frame construction.

For the past year, Top Source's team of scientists and engineers, experts in computer crash simulation, crash testing, mechanical design and bodily injury, have been experimenting with controlled seat motion as an approach to injury reduction during a frontal crash. The Top Source Device, trademarked A.R.C. (Acceleration Restraint Curve), is designed to provide an added level of injury protection supplementing air bags and seat belts. A second objective is to provide additional protection against lower torso injury which may occur if the occupant fails to use the lap belt and relies only on upper torso protection provided from air bags or shoulder belts. Air bags and shoulder belts restrain the upper chest and head. Often, in frontal collisions, the lower torso, if unrestrained by lap belts, slides off the seat reducing the effectiveness of upper torso restraint and can result in injuries.

Landow also said, "The technologies licensed from MIT will help Top Source finalize development and testing of the mechanism. In addition to the marketing effort targeted at car and seat frame manufacturers, our engineering team has presented preliminary test results and development methodology to national and local safety activists as well as representatives of the insurance industry, who are particularly interested in the A.R.C. mechanism's potential to save lives, reduce injuries and help reduce insurance expense."

CONTACT: Bob Downs of Top Source, Inc., 407-775-5756

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#90249p1855 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, CA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Ross Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ROST) today reported sales of $72 million for the four week period ended Sept. 1, 1990 a 6 percent increase above the $68 million in sales for the four weeks ended Sept. 2, 1989. Comparable store sales for the same period were down 7 percent from last year.

For the seven months through Sept. 1, 1990, sales were $436 million, an 8 percent increase above $404 million in sales for the prior year's comparable period ended Sept. 2, 1989. For the seven months, comparable store sales were down 4 percent on a day-for-day basis from last year.

In commenting on these results, Norman A. Ferber, president and chief executive officer, stated, "In spite of our recent efforts to strengthen our business, sales during August were very disappointing. Contributing to our poor performance last month was a continuing trend for both the industry and Ross of weak sales for junior sportswear and athletic footwear, key components in our back-to-school business."

Ross Stores Inc. operates a national chain of off-price retail stores offering first quality, in-season, branded apparel and apparel- related merchandise for the entire family. The company had 169 stores in operation at Sept. 1, 1990, compared to 147 stores at the end of the same period last year.

CONTACT: Earl T. Benson of Ross Stores Inc., 415-790-4400.

-30- 1564

#90249p1857 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLUE BELL, PA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Healthcare Inc. (NASDAQ: USHC) one of the nation's leading providers of managed health care services, today announced that its regular quarterly cash dividends of $.09 per share on common stock and $.081 per share on Class B stock will be paid on Sept. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Sept. 13.

U.S. Healthcare owns and operates health maintenance organizations (HMOs) in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Delaware, Connecticut and Massachusetts. In addition, it provides comprehensive managed health care services to self-insured and other employers.

CONTACT: Costas C. Nicolaides, executive vp and CFO of U.S. Healthcare, 215-283-6843

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#90249p1858 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. vehicle manufacturers scheduled production of 178,382 cars and trucks for this week, down 10.8 percent from last week's build of 199,924, Ward's Automotive Reports said today.

The slowed production was the result of the industrywide shutdown for the Labor Day holiday on Monday.

Planned U.S. vehicle production this week is 3.1 percent higher than the

same-week 1989 total of 173,020, Ward's reported.

Scheduled U.S. car production for the week ending Sept. 8 is 111,612, bringing the year-to-date estimate for 1990 to 4,208,173, 88.0 percent of like-1989's output of 4,784,179 cars, according to Ward's.

U.S. truck output is estimated at 66,770, down from last week's build of 74,338, bringing the estimated year-to-date total to 2,686,153 through the end of this week. The year-to-date count equals 92.4 percent of last year's year-to-date production of 2,907,846.

Of this week's estimated U.S. car output, General Motors Corp.'s share was 46.5 percent; Ford Motor Co., 23.3 percent; Chrysler Corp. planned 11.2 percent; Honda of America Mfg. Inc., 6.4 percent; Toyota Motor Mfg. USA Inc., 3.1 percent; Diamond-Star Motors Corp., 3.1 percent; Mazda Motor Mfg. (USA) Corp., 2.9 percent; New United Motor Mfg. Inc., still going through model changeover produced 1.8 percent; Nissan Motor Mfg. Corp., 1.2 percent; and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc., 0.5 percent.

NORTH AMERICAN FACTORY PRODUCTION

	This Week Estimated	Last Week Revised	Same Week Last Year	To Date 1990	To Date 1989
U.S.:					
Total Cars	111,612	125,586	108,175	4,208,173	4,784,179
Total Trucks	66,770	74,338	64,845	2,686,153	2,907,846
U.S. TOTAL	178,382	199,924	173,020	6,894,326	7,692,025
Canada:					
Total Cars	21,177	21,475	15,047	740,049	679,534
Total Trucks	14,142	16,941	17,045	611,206	664,590
CANADIAN TOTAL	35,319	38,416	32,092	1,351,255	1,344,124
U.S./Canada:					
Total Cars	132,789	147,061	123,222	4,948,222	5,463,713
Total Truck	80,912	91,279	81,890	3,297,359	3,572,436
U.S./CANADA TOT.	213,701	238,340	205,112	8,245,581	9,036,149

CONTACT: James W. Bush of Ward's, 313-962-4433

-30- 2518

#90249p1862 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVONIA, MICH. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental, Inc. (Philadelphia Stock Exchange Symbol: COI - Preferred Stock) ("Continental") announced today that a regular dividend was declared by its board of directors for payment on Sept. 30, 1990, to recordholders of its Senior Preferred Shares at the close of business on Sept. 17, 1990. The amount of the dividend to be paid will be $.50 per Senior Preferred Share.

Continental, Inc. is a Delaware corporation which through its subsidiaries

is primarily engaged in the photo processing and lease brokerage business.

CONTACT: Todd Pichette of Continental, Inc., 313-478-4100

-30- 804

#90249p1866 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARSIPPANY, N.J. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Admiral Carlisle Albert Herman Trost was elected a director of General Public Utilities Corporation (NYSE: GPU) today at a regularly scheduled meeting of the corporation's board of directors. Trost retired on June 30, 1990, from his position as U.S. Chief of Naval Operations. Trost will also serve on the board of directors of GPU Nuclear Corporation, which is responsible for the operation, maintenance and management of the GPU system's nuclear facilities.

"We are extremely pleased to have Admiral Trost join our already strong slate of directors at both GPU and GPU Nuclear. Admiral Trost has demonstrated exceptional leadership, organizational and analytical skills during his illustrious 37-year career in the U.S. Navy. As the commander of a Naval establishment that included more than 590,000 uniformed personnel, 565 ships and 5,300 aircraft, he brings a wealth of managerial and operational experience to GPU," said Standley H. Hoch, chairman, president and chief executive officer of GPU.

Trost's election increases the GPU board to 12 members. Trost's 37-year Naval career began when he entered the U.S. Naval Academy in 1949. In 1953, he was commissioned an ensign, graduating first in his class from the Academy. In 1957, he attended the Naval Nuclear Power Training Unit. During his career he served as commander, U.S. Seventh Fleet and commander, Submarine Force Pacific. In 1985, Trost was promoted to the rank of admiral and became commander, U.S. Atlantic Fleet. In 1986, he assumed the position as chief of Naval operations.

GPU, headquartered in Parsippany, provides approximately 39 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity for approximately 1.9 million customers.

CONTACT: Ray E. Dotter of General Public Utilities Corporation, 201-263-6231

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#90249p1867 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST CHESTER, PA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Roy F. Weston Inc. (NASDAQ: WSTNA) has been awarded a $116.5 million four-year contract by the U.S. Environmental Agency (EPA) to provide multidisciplinary Technical Assistance Teams (TAT) for its Emergency Response, Removal and Prevention Program. This is the third consecutive TAT contract awarded to Weston;

Weston previously held TAT contracts covering the entire United States (1982-1986) and the eastern states (1986-1990), a total of eight years.

Weston's emergency response teams will respond to spills, conduct site investigations and chemical safety audits, identify innovative treatment/disposal options and perform environmental sampling and analysis. Weston will also conduct first responder and emergency preparedness training, coordinate the development and implementation of community relations plans and perform cost tracking and monitoring of cleanup activities. The Weston staff will be available around-the- clock, 7-days-a-week to provide direct emergency response support as well as response monitoring services. "This contract allows the EPA to immediately respond to and prevent imminent concerns to human health and the environment. This award permits Weston to continue to assist the EPA in meeting its mandates. We appreciate their confidence in us," said William J. Marrazzo, Weston's president and chief operating officer.

The EPA program is funded by Superfund and the Clean Water Act to address environmental emergencies and respond to releases of oil or hazardous substances across the United States. This contract is for the Zone 1 portion of the country which includes EPA Regions I, II, III, IV, The Environmental Response Team (ERT-Edison) and EPA Headquarters.

TAT offices supporting this program are located in Boston, Edison, N.J., Philadelphia, Atlanta and Washington, D.C., as well as Memphis, Tenn., Louisville, Ky., Wheeling, W.Va., and San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Weston is a full-service environmental and health and safety firm providing nationwide analytical laboratory services, consulting and engineering, remediation, facility construction and operations, technical information management and major program management services.

Weston's clients include many Fortune 500 companies and most major cities in the country. The company is a principal provider of services to the U.S. Department of Defense, the Department of Energy and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Weston is headquartered in West Chester, and operates a network of four analytical laboratories and 44 offices, including Los Angeles, Houston, Chicago, Atlanta, Boston, New York and Washington, D.C.

CONTACT: Michael E. Herron of Roy F. Weston, 215-344-3442

-30- 2960

#90249p1868 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Autodie Corporation (NASDAQ: ADIE) announced today that it has reached an agreement in principle to

extend the forbearance agreement covering the Amended Revolving Credit Agreement with banks through Nov. 30, 1990. The banks have agreed in principle to temporarily increase the amount of credit available to $58 million from $55 million during the forbearance period.

The company expects that definitive agreements with the banks will be signed within the next few days.

Autodie is a leading manufacturer of large-scale custom stamping dies and injection and compression molds. Autodie and its wholly owned subsidiary, Autobond, employ about 750 people.

CONTACT: Tim Wiggins of Autodie, 616-454-9361

-30- 934

#90249p1877 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTOWN, PA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of SPS Technologies (NYSE: ST) today declared a third quarter dividend of 32 cents per share on its common stock, payable Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 17.

CONTACT: Peter Lawton of SPS Technologies, 215-860-3038

-30- 461

#90249p1878 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DECATUR, GA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Prime Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: PMBS), the parent corporation of DeKalb Federal Savings Bank, announced today its intention to repurchase up to 85,682 shares of its outstanding common stock in the open market.

The stock will be purchased at such times and in such amounts as management determines, subject to applicable regulations.

The stock repurchase program will be funded from cash-on-hand at Prime Bancshares and through the payment of a $485,000 dividend by DeKalb Federal to Prime Bancshares.

Prime Bancshares Inc. was formed as the holding company for DeKalb Federal Savings Bank when it converted from a mutual to stock organization in July 1989. Prime Bancshares recently reported an earnings increase of 63 percent for the quarter ended June 30 compared to the same period a year ago. DeKalb Federal's capital, after such dividend, would be in excess of $34 million, or approximately 5.9 percent of assets.

CONTACT: Lynne Van Brocklin of Prime Bancshares, 404-377-0211

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#90249p1880 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 6,) PR NEWSWIRE - Valhi Inc. (NYSE: VHI) and NL Industries Inc. (NYSE: NL) jointly announced today that the two companies have agreed in principle to a merger transaction under which Valhi would acquire the remaining equity interest in NL. NL is currently about 66 percent owned by Valhi.

Under the proposed transaction, Valhi would issue 1.6 shares of Valhi common stock for each share of NL common stock and NL would become a wholly owned Valhi subsidiary. Under the agreement, the merger will not be consummated if the average price of the Valhi common stock is below $9.50 for the twenty trading days ending two trading days prior to the NL shareholder meeting at which the merger will be considered. In addition, Valhi has the option to terminate the merger if the average price of Valhi stock for the same period is above $13 per share.

The companies said that the merger is subject to, among other things, the preparation of appropriate documentation, approval by Valhi's Board of Directors and shareholders, and the affirmative vote of a majority of NL shares other than those held by Valhi present and voting at the shareholders meeting called to consider the merger. The NL Board of Directors, including all of its outside directors, approved the merger and has received the oral opinion of Salomon Brothers Inc. that the proposed terms of the merger are fair from a financial point of view to NL's common shareholders other than Valhi.

Valhi and NL stated that they expected that meetings of shareholders to consider the transaction might be held as early as November 1990.

CONTACT: Robert P. Wallace of NL Industries, 713-987-5186; or
Steven L. Watson of Valhi Inc., 214-450-4216

-30- 1891
#90249p1882 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Apollo Teng has been appointed director of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) for The Earth Technology Corp. (NASDAQ: ETCO), according to Diane C. Creel, president and chief operating officer.

Geographic Information Systems is an expanding state-of-the-art computer and software capability that allows the user to capture, manipulate and analyze geographically referenced information. It is used by government agencies and private industry to keep track of important information such as location of groundwater, geologic formations, utilities and roads.

Teng has 17 years of experience in the GIS field. His former assignments have included development of an automated roadway analysis system for United Parcel Services to support mapping, routing and scheduling; development of GIS software for Intergraph Corp.; and development of a city-wide geographic data base for the City of New York.

Teng received his master's degree in city planning from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and attained a doctoral candidacy at Columbia University in conjunction with the award of a master of philosophy degree.

The Earth Technology Corp. (USA) is a technical services consulting organization specializing in the analysis of complex environmental and engineering problems for government and private industry.

CONTACT: Linda Sonnonstine of Earth Technology, 213-495-4449, or James K. White of Kehoe, White, Savage & Co., 213-437-0655, for Earth Technology

-30- 1692

#90249p1899 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HARTFORD, CONN. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Foshing Airlines of Taiwan has placed orders and options worth $225 million for jet engines from Pratt & Whitney and International Aero Engines to power the airline's new fleet of Airbus A300-600 and A320 twinjets.

Foshing has placed firm orders for four A300-600s and two A320s. It also took options on four additional A300-600s.

Pratt & Whitney will supply 10 PW4158 engines, including spares, worth about $95 million for the A300-600s on firm order. If Foshing converts all of the option aircraft to firm orders, P&W will supply an additional 10 engines worth about $100 million.

Deliveries of the A300-600 aircraft on firm order will begin in 1994. International Aero Engines (IAE) will supply Foshing with six V2500 propulsion systems, including two spare engines, worth $30 million for the two A320 aircraft. Both of these aircraft will be delivered in 1992.

IAE is a multinational consortium based in East Hartford, Conn. Pratt & Whitney is a lead partner in the consortium with a 30 percent share.

Foshing, which was founded in 1951, will operate the new Airbus aircraft on its domestic and international passenger routes.

The PW4000 is Pratt & Whitney's newest and most powerful commercial engine. Currently certified for 60,000 pounds of thrust, the PW4000 has growth capability to nearly 100,000 pounds of thrust to meet future aircraft power requirements.

The PW4000, which entered airline service in 1987, is the most fuel-efficient engine in its class and has the highest degree of commonality on all wide-body aircraft.

Pratt & Whitney is a unit of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX).

CONTACT: David Long of Pratt & Whitney, 203-565-1292

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#90249p1901 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Gantos, Inc. (NASDAQ: GTOS) today reported sales of $16.1 million for the four-week period ended Sept. 1, 1990, a decrease of 2 percent from sales of $16.4 million in August 1989. The company's comparable store sales decreased 18 percent in August 1990. August 1989 sales included the company's semi-annual boutique clearance sale, held this year in the month of July.

Sales of $138.4 million for the 30 weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990, represent an increase of 15 percent over sales of $120.3 million for the same period in 1989. Year to date through Sept. 1, 1990, the company's comparable store sales were equal to those of 1989.

Gantos, Inc., based in Grand Rapids, operates 158 women's apparel stores in 23 states.

CONTACT: Michael G. Arneth, Manager-Investor Relations, Gantos, Inc., 616-949-7000

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#90249p1904 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that H.W. Kaufman Financial Group, Inc. of Southfield, Mich., began trading 2,827,388 common shares today. H.W. Kaufman Financial Group is a general agent and broker of specialty insurance products and services. The company previously traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol HWKF.

A three-for-two stock split in H.W. Kaufman Financial Group's shares will become effective at the close of business on Sept. 10. Trading under ticker symbol HWK, at a price reflecting the effect of the three- for-two split, the common stock opened on 100 shares at 4.

H.W. Kaufman Financial Group operates through three wholly owned subsidiaries: Burns & Wilcox Ltd.; Service General; and Royal Premium Budget, Inc.

Burns & Wilcox is a specialty insurance brokerage and underwriting management company that provides independent insurance agents access to non-standard property and casualty, professional liability, marine and automobile underwriting.

Service General is a specialty insurance brokerage and underwriting management company that provides independent agents access to non-standard personal insurance lines of coverage rather than business and commercial coverage.

As one of the largest insurance premiums financing companies in Michigan, Royal Premium Budget is the premium financing arm for Burns & Wilcox and Service General.

In July, H.W. Kaufman Financial Group entered into an agreement to purchase an undisclosed regional wholesale and brokerage insurance products and services company.

H.W. Kaufman Financial Group reported unaudited net income of $282,000, or $.15 per share, on revenues of $10,657,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1990, compared with net income of $217,000, or $.12 per share, on revenues of $8,429,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

CONTACT: Lisa Kravitz of the American Stock Exchange, 212-306-1632

-30- 2160

#90249p1905 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH QUEENSFERRY, SCOTLAND (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - One of the most advanced semiconductor plants in the world was officially opened today by the Secretary of State for Scotland, the Rt. Hon. Malcolm Rifkind, QC, MP.

The $165 million facility at South Queensferry represents Digital Equipment Corporation's (NYSE: DEC) largest investment outside the U.S. to date, and will play a crucial role in boosting Digital's competitiveness in Europe.

To celebrate this, Rifkind, together with Digital's founder and President, Kenneth H. Olsen, sent the first production batch of state-of -the-art wafers on their way to the corporation's plant in Ayr, Scotland, where they will be used in future Digital computer systems for shipment worldwide.

South Queensferry provides Digital with one of the most advanced clean rooms in the world, and the technology used in the plant is at the leading edge and not available on the open market. With the opening of the plant Digital is now the only computer manufacturer able to work, completely

within the U.K., from raw silicon, through design and production, to the finished computer.

The investment in South Queensferry is evidence of Digital's commitment to the European market, which accounted for 40 percent of the Corporation's $12.9 billion worldwide revenues in Fiscal 1990.

Speaking at the opening ceremony, Olsen said, "Scotland was an ideal choice for the site of our new semiconductor plant. South Queensferry is well positioned to serve the European market and work with our facility in Ayr, which has enjoyed continued success since it opened in 1974."

Digital Equipment Corporation, headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is one of the world's leading manufacturers of networked computer systems, software, and services, and a leader in multivendor systems integration.

CONTACT: Jim Manderson (Scotland) 44-0292-266955 or
Mark Fredrickson (U.S.), 508-493-4479, both of Digital Equipment Corporation

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#90249p1908 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
PEAPACK, N.J. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Fedders Corporation (NYSE: FJQ) today announced that the lack of normal summer heat in key markets has left the room air conditioner industry's distribution system with excess inventory at season's end. Consequently, low sales in the third and fourth quarters of 1990 will result in losses compared to income in the last six months of 1989 of $7.4 million when sales totaled $135 million.

Chief Executive Officer Sal Giordano Jr. said the company will "remain profitable for all of 1990, based on the strong first-half performance, and will return to profitability in the first quarter of 1991."

"During the seasonally slow second half, the company is balancing inventory against reduced market demand," Giordano said.

CONTACT: Barbara VanBlarcum of Fedders, 201-234-2100

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#90249p1910 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a dividend of 30 cents per share on the company's common stock. The dividend is payable Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 17, 1990.

CONTACT: Tom Houston of Chrysler, 313-252-8790

-30- 486
#90249p1913 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
EDISON, N.J. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Engelhard Corporation (NYSE: EC) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 17 cents per share on the common stock of the company payable on Sept. 28, 1990 to stockholders of record on Sept. 18, 1990.

Engelhard Corporation is a world leading provider of specialty chemical products, engineered materials and precious metal management services.

CONTACT: Francis X. Vitale, Jr., vice president of Engelhard, 201-632-6063

-30- 671
#90249p1919 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Flexible Bond Trust, Inc. (fund) (AMEX: FLX) announced today that its shareholders had approved the conversion of the fund from a closed-end to an open-end investment company. The shareholders approved the open-ending proposal, together with related matters submitted by the fund's board of directors, at a special meeting held today.

It is currently anticipated that the conversion to open-end status will become effective during the first calendar quarter of 1991. On the effective date, the fund will be renamed "PaineWebber Classic Flexible Income Fund, Inc." and trading of its shares over the American Stock Exchange will cease. Following the effective date, shareholders will be able to purchase and redeem fund shares on a daily basis. A temporary redemption fee equal to 1 percent of the proceeds of redemptions will be imposed for up to six months after the effective date of the conversion.

Mitchell Hutchins Asset Management Inc., the fund's current investment adviser and administrator, will continue to serve in those capacities, and as the fund's distributor, after the conversion. The fund currently pays monthly income dividends; it expects to continue this policy until and after the conversion.

The fund is a closed-end investment company whose investment objective is high total return through investing in income-producing securities with the potential for capital appreciation. The fund commenced operations in 1988.

CONTACT: Dianne O'Donnell of Flexible Bond Trust, (212) 713-2712.

-30- 1744

#90249p1921 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

OLDSMAR, FL (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Edward T. Imparato, chairman and chief executive officer of International Systems and Technology (INSAT), today announced that an agreement has been reached on acquiring worldwide exclusive rights to market a new patented technology for the repair service to nuclear reactors.

The technology and patent was developed by personnel of New York Power Authority and consulting engineer Donald Harrison, a nationally recognized heat transfer engineer. International Systems and Technology has already begun work at its Oldsmar facility on the construction of prototype heating elements to be used in the repair process. Completion of the prototype equipment to be used for repair of cracking due to corrosion and leaks in nuclear reactor recirculatory systems is expected to be completed within three months. Signing of the final agreement is expected within two weeks.

Pursuant to the agreement, International Systems and Technology, Inc. will be obligated to pay certain royalties to the patent owners upon the successful demonstration and marketing of the acquired technology. Additionally, INSAT will provide the patent owners $10,000 to support their application for a worldwide patent.

In further corporate action, the board of directors at its Aug. 30, board meeting authorized the repurchase of 50,000 shares of the company's own stock over the next three months. These purchases will be made in the open market and this action was taken by the board because of its belief that the price of its stock was greatly under valued and that shares are needed for future corporate purposes. The company may consider future purchases of its stock in the open market should market conditions indicate that such acquisitions are in the company's interest.

CONTACT: Edward T. Imparato, chief executive officer of International Systems and Technology, 813-855-2671, or J.C.I. Inc., 813-584-1925, for International Systems and Technology

-30- 2186

#90249p1922 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Polaroid Corporation announced today the formation of Polaroid of Shanghai Limited to manufacture instant cameras and package film, and to market Polaroid imaging products throughout the People's Republic of China.

Polaroid of Shanghai Limited, which will initially employ 130 people, is a joint venture with SMPIC, formerly the Shanghai Motion Picture Industry Company. SMPIC is a corporation of the Shanghai Light Industry Bureau, a

branch of the Ministry of Light Industry.

Polaroid's venture into China is part of the company's long-term growth strategy to expand instant photography beyond traditional geographic markets, according to I. MacAllister Booth, Polaroid's president and chief executive officer.

"During this past year, Polaroid opened manufacturing facilities and a retail outlet store in Moscow, founded Polaroid India, Inc., and activated Polaroid Oy in Finland," Booth said.

"Now, with the establishment of Polaroid in Shanghai, Polaroid is continuing to develop new market potential. We are very pleased to be able to offer the magic of instant photography to increasing numbers of people around the world. Although Polaroid's activities in China are at a very early stage, we are looking forward to working with our partners to develop the Chinese Market for all Polaroid products."

Initially, Polaroid of Shanghai will assemble Polaroid Supercolor 635CL instant cameras, one of the most popular in Polaroid's international camera line. Used extensively in business applications, the 635CL instant camera will retail for approximately $100 (500 yuan in local currency). The company also will package Polaroid 600 Plus instant film.

Cameras and film will be marketed to business and industrial markets, as well as to China's more than 2,500 street photographers. Street photography is popular at China's major tourist attractions in Beijing, Hangzhou, and Xian, as well as in Shanghai and other regions of China.

Cameras will be assembled beginning later this year at the Shanghai Xian Feng Factory, a 1,700-square-meter facility in Shanghai, as part of the joint venture with SMPIC. For the past two years, the Shanghai Xian Feng Factory, under contract to Polaroid, has been assembling the camera's printed circuit boards for export to Polaroid manufacturing facilities overseas.

John Chang has been appointed resident general manager of Polaroid of Shanghai Limited. He will report to George Hamilton, Polaroid senior managing director, international business development.

CONTACT: Mary McDermott of Polaroid Corp., (617) 577-3989.

-30- 2831

#90249p1923 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHAWNEE, OK (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Barton Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: BART) has announced that a wholly owned subsidiary of Barton, Barton Fiber Systems, Inc., and a wholly owned subsidiary of The Southern Company,

Southern Company Services, Inc., acting on its own behalf and as agent for other Southern subsidiaries, Alabama Power Company, Georgia Power Company, Gulf Power Company, Mississippi Power Company, and Savannah Electric & Power Company, have entered into a contract for the grant to Barton Fiber Systems of rights to construct and install a fiber optic transmission cable and related facilities, along selected routes on the Southern electric system.

The engineering and installation will be performed by the Southern electric system with Barton Fiber Systems reimbursing them for their actual costs incurred. Under terms of the agreement, specific fibers will be dedicated to the exclusive use of the Southern electric system. The remaining fibers will be dedicated to Barton Fiber Systems' exclusive use.

Barton's primary anticipated use of its dedicated fibers will be for the transmission of information received from Barton's energy automation systems to its customers' corporate offices.

In addition, Barton stated that its previously announced contract discussions with two major long distance carriers to utilize a portion of its dedicated fibers are proceeding and Barton anticipates making an announcement in this regard in the near future.

In commenting on the agreement, C. W. Earl Johnson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Barton, stated, "The development of this fiber optic system will place Barton Industries even further ahead of its competition as the preeminent company in the energy industry services field.

"This system will provide a vital strategic link in the services Barton provides by enabling the more efficient transfer of data from our automation units in field locations to our customers' corporate headquarters."

CONTACT: C. W. Earl Johnson or Victor L. Joyce both of Barton Industries, (405) 273-7660.

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#90249p1930 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, VA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobil has completed a $100-million upgrading of its Jurong refinery in Singapore. The upgrade confirms the importance of the Singapore refining hub in meeting the Asia-Pacific area's growing demand for high-quality petroleum products.

The Jurong refinery, Mobil's largest outside the United States, is a pivotal part of the company's Asia-Pacific supply system, which serves operations from the Middle East to the U.S. West Coast.

The expansion enables the refinery to convert heavy fuel oil to premium-quality diesel oil and kerosene more efficiently than conventional hydrocrackers. The $100-million project included installation of two units -- a 23,000 barrel-a-day medium pressure hydrocracker (MPHC) and a 12,000 barrel-a-day Mobil isomerization de-waxer (MIDW).

Speaking at the official ceremony, Eugene A. Renna, president of Mobil Corporation's (NYSE: MOB) marketing & refining division, said: "Dedication of this hydrocracker complex is evidence of Mobil's determination not only to enhance manufacturing assets, but also to maintain a leadership position in what we feel is the most exciting market in the world today."

CONTACT: John Lord of Mobil, 703-846-2500

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#90249p1931 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELVILLE, N.Y. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Allen Group Inc. (NYSE: ALN) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.4375 per share on the company's $1.75 convertible exchangeable preferred stock, Series A. This dividend is payable Nov. 15, 1990 to stockholders of record Oct. 31, 1990.

The Allen Group Inc. is a manufacturer and marketer of automotive products including automotive test equipment, automated manufacturing equipment, truck components and mobile communications antennas and accessories.

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#90249p1933 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Image Bank, Inc. (NASDAQ: TIBI) announced today the appointment of Sheldon F. Peckar, C.P.A., executive vice president-finance, as chief financial officer and treasurer, effective immediately.

Peckar, 46, joined The Image Bank in December 1989 as executive vice president-finance with responsibility for the company's financial and administrative departments. Prior to joining The Image Bank, Peckar had been employed since 1968 by the accounting firm BDO Seidman where he became a partner in 1981. He served as the director of accounting and auditing of BDO Seidman's New York office and was the engagement partner of various clients, including The Image Bank.

Peckar received a B.S. in accounting from New York University and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the

New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants. He resides in Brooklyn with his wife, Rissa.

Paul Eichler, C.P.A., 56, The Image Bank's former chief financial officer and treasurer, will remain executive vice president and a member of the board of directors and will devote a substantial portion of his time to develop the company's growing book business and recently acquired book marketing unit, Book People, Ltd., in the United Kingdom. Eichler will continue to contribute to corporate financial planning, in addition to serving as The Image Bank's investor relations officer.

The Image Bank, a diversified communications company, is the world's leading stock image agency, licensing reproduction rights to professional photographs, illustrations and cinematography for advertising, programming promotional and editorial purposes through its international network of offices.

CONTACT: Stanley M. Kanney, president of The Image Bank, 212-529-6700, or Denis J. Peters of Ruder Finn, Inc., 212-715-1544, for The Image Bank

-30- 2097

#90249p1939 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Paramount Communications Inc. (NYSE: PCI) today reported earnings from continuing operations and net earnings for its third quarter of fiscal 1990, ended July 31, of $106.2 million, or 88 cents per share. These results compared with earnings from continuing operations in the comparable year-earlier period of $18.5 million, or 15 cents per share, and net earnings of $96.3 million, or 80 cents per share, which included earnings of $77.8 million, or 65 cents per share, from discontinued operations.

Results from continuing operations in the fiscal 1990 third quarter included net interest income of $10.6 million, primarily resulting from the investment of the proceeds from the company's October 1989 sale of the Associates to Ford Motor Company. Net earnings in the comparable fiscal 1989 period included $32.1 million of net interest expense and an after-tax charge of $48.3 million for costs incurred in the company's bid to acquire Time Inc.

Paramount said that operating income from its publishing operations in the third quarter totaled a record $115.2 million, a gain of 11 percent over the $103.9 million for the same fiscal 1989 period, while entertainment operating income of $55.1 million reflected a decline of 4 percent from the record $57.5 million registered in the same quarter a year ago.

The company noted that higher quarterly operating income in publishing

resulted from gains in higher education, school (elementary- high school), supplementary education and international publishing activities, which more than offset lower results in consumer publishing and flat results in professional information. Lower results from entertainment reflected declines in motion picture and theater operations and costs associated with the ongoing renovation of Madison Square Garden, although the Sports Group and MSG Network contributed higher operating income. These factors in the company's entertainment operations more than offset strong gains in television operations. The company pointed out that some of the profits from its summer blockbuster motion picture "Ghost" were reflected in the third quarter, but that the major portion of the earnings from domestic theatrical distribution will be recorded in the fourth quarter.

CONTACT: Carl Folta of Paramount Communications, 212-373-8530

-30- 2567

#90249p1947 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MICH. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Anticipating continued growth in Ohio, Great Lakes Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: GLBC) announced Robert L. Ernst has been elected president and chief operating officer of Dollar Federal Savings Bank, Great Lakes' Ohio subsidiary based in Hamilton.

"The greater Cincinnati area offers many opportunities and we expect to further expand our operations there," said Roy E. Weber, Great Lakes Bancorp's chairman and chief executive officer. Last week, Great Lakes announced an agreement to acquire four additional branches in Hamilton and Middletown from Union Federal Savings Bank of Indianapolis in exchange for six Great Lakes' branches in Indianapolis.

"With this growth comes added responsibilities, so we have placed day-to-day operations in the hands of Bob Ernst. Charles L. Schardine continues as chairman," Weber said.

Dollar Federal has five branches with $140 million of deposits in Butler County, north of Cincinnati. Butler County is the second- fastest-growing county in Ohio. The addition of Union's four branches will add $130 million of deposits to Dollar Federal.

Ernst was executive vice president and chief financial officer of Dollar Federal Savings Bank. He has 25 years of banking experience in residential, multi-family and commercial lending, as well as secondary market operations. He is past chairman of the board of the YMCA in Hamilton/Fairfield, past general chairman of the United Way of Butler County campaign, and served on the board of directors of the Boy Scouts of America.

Great Lakes Bancorp has 52 branches in Michigan and operates Dollar

Federal Savings Bank, a subsidiary with five branches in the north-Cincinnati area. Great Lakes also operates Great Lakes Mortgage Co., a mortgage banking subsidiary. With $3.7 billion in assets, Great Lakes Bancorp is Michigan's second-largest savings bank.

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#90249p1957 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

JERICHO, NY (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Getty Petroleum Corp. (NYSE: GTY) today reported results for the second quarter and six months ended July 31 1990.

Total revenues for the quarter and the six month period ended July 31, 1990 were $320.6 million and $571.6 million, respectively, as compared with $297.1 and $570.5 million for the comparable periods last year. Revenues increased $23.5 million for the quarter primarily due to merchandise sales within the company's convenience store operations and an upswing in wholesale gallonage.

The company's earnings during these periods were adversely affected by unprecedented volatility affecting the cost of products. In addition, the significant increase in petroleum prices during the second quarter could not be passed along because of competitive market conditions. These factors, along with a LIFO inventory charge in the amount of $3.3 million, contributed to the net loss of $1.9 million or ($.14) per share in the quarter ended July 31, 1990 as compared with net income of $1.9 million or $.14 per share for the comparable period in 1989. For the six months ended July 31, 1990, the company incurred a net loss of $1.7 million or ($.13) per share as compared to net income of $9.6 million or $.72 per share for the comparable period last year.

Leo Liebowitz, Getty's president and chief executive officer, commented that "Since the end of the quarter, the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq has caused severe distortions in the market structure adversely affecting the company's reselling prices and profitability. We are hopeful that a return to a normal supply and demand functioning of the marketplace will be restored in the near future."

Liebowitz announced that, at the board of directors meeting held this morning, the board of directors voted on and approved a seven cents per share cash dividend. The dividend is payable on Oct. 16, 1990 to holders of record on Oct. 2, 1990.

Getty Petroleum Corp. also announced that at its board of directors meeting today, the directors approved the additional purchase of up to

500,000 shares of the company's common stock. The authorization is in addition to the June 15, 1989 authorization to buy back up to 500,000 shares of which 413,073 shares have been purchased to date.

Getty Petroleum Corp., one of the nation's largest independent marketers of gasoline and petroleum products, markets in a thirteen state area, Maine through Virginia. The company is also a major distributor of heating oil and handles wholesale distribution of a variety of petroleum products through its east coast petroleum storage and distribution network.

CONTACT: Stephen Salzman of Getty 516-338-1212

-30- 2897

#90249p1962 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRENTWOOD, N.Y. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Allou Health and Beauty Care, Inc. (AMEX: ALU), premier distributor of health and beauty aids on the Atlantic Seaboard, announced two management changes.

Herman Jacobs, Allou president, has been given the additional title of chief executive officer. Victor Jacobs, who previously held the title chief executive officer, will retain his position as chairman of the board.

David Shamilzadeh was confirmed as chief financial officer. Shamilzadeh, who was formerly controller, had been operating as chief financial officer since June.

CONTACT: David Shamilzadeh, chief financial officer of Allou Health & Beauty Care, 516-273-4000

-30- 833

#90249p1966 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Emanuel R. Pearlman, president of ERP Capital Corp., which is the executive general partner of Gemini Partners, L.P., today announced that Gemini is actively contracting potential buyers for Healthco International, Inc. and is inviting inquiries from people who have an interest in acquiring Healthco, including those who have been excluded from the sale process conducted by Lazard Freres on behalf of Healthco. Pearlman also indicated that Gemini is considering retaining an investment banker to aid Gemini in seeking buyers to maximize the values of Healthco stock for the benefit of all shareholders.

Pearlman stated, "We believe the Hicks Muse deal, which the Healthco board hastily entered, is at an inadequate price and, since it is wholly unfinanced and is not required to close for six months, is tantamount to a free option. We believe there is much greater value in this company and that the board agreed to the Hicks Muse deal merely to avoid losing the

proxy contest we are waging for control of the board."

CONTACT: Emanuel R. Pearlman of Gemini Partners, 212-832-5100, or
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-30- 1357
#90249p1967 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOCA RATON, FL (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - After leading Computer Products, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CPRD) through a complete financial turnaround, John N. Lemasters has agreed to remain as the firm's board chairman, president and chief executive officer through August 1995, the company announced today.

Lemasters' original three-year contract with the international electronics manufacturer was due to expire in March 1991. Terms of the new agreement were not released.

Lemasters, 57, joined Computer Products in 1988 after four years with Atlanta-based Contel Corp., a $3 billion telecommunications firm where he served as president and chief executive officer. From 1958-1984, he held various management positions with Harris Corp. in Melbourne, Fla. With Harris, Lemasters' most recent position was senior vice president in charge of the firm's communications sector.

"The board of directors is delighted that Mr. Lemasters has extended his term with the company. Under his direction, Computer Products has recorded eight consecutive profitable quarters and has greatly strengthened its leadership position in the electronics industry," said Phillip A. O'Reilly, board member and chairman of Computer Products' stock option and compensation committee. O'Reilly is the former chairman and chief executive officer of Houdaille Industries, Inc.

O'Reilly added that "Computer Products has always enjoyed a very high degree of customer loyalty from many of the world's largest companies. Now, with a strengthened financial position and an extended commitment from Mr. Lemasters, we can take full advantage of the next upswing in the electronics industry."

When he joined Computer Products in 1988, Lemasters characterized the company as having "a great product line, a good customer base, and excellent product acceptance." He believes that is still the case.

"With energies refocused on our core businesses, trimmed costs, a restructured management team, and increased development expenditures, our position is even stronger today. I'm very excited about our growth prospects for the 1990s," Lemasters said.

Computer Products develops and manufactures electronics that power or

control virtually all other major electronic systems. These core electronics are the backbone of many industries that are essential to everyday life.

The firm's customers include the computer, communications, instrumentation industrial electronics, and automation industries; Department of Defense agencies; and government prime contractors. The company is organized into three businesses: Power Conversion, Measurement & Control, and Government Electronics.

Computer Products was founded in 1968 and now employs more than 1,800 persons worldwide. The company is headquartered in Boca Raton, Fla., and has manufacturing facilities in Pompano Beach, Fla.; Boston; Fremont, Calif.; Boulder, Colo.; Hong Kong; and the Republic of Ireland.

Computer Products recorded 1989 sales of $120 million. Its products are sold through a worldwide network of distributors and independent sales representatives, as well as directly to original equipment manufacturers.

CONTACT: Stan Schneider of Redgate Communications Corp., 305-435-3310, for Computer Products, Inc.; or Eugene L. Zuch of Computer Products, Inc., 407-451-1012

-30- 3522
#90249p1969 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Midway Commuter, a wholly owned subsidiary of Midway Airlines, today announced that it has reached a tentative agreement with the Air Line Pilots Association (ALPA), according to Richard E. Pfenning, president of Midway Commuter.

ALPA represents the 200 Midway Commuter cockpit crewmembers who are covered by the proposed four-year agreement. The Midway Commuter is a three-year-old commuter operation based in Springfield, Ill. serving 18 Midwest destinations.

CONTACT: Sandra Allen of Midway Airlines, 312-838-4813

-30- 728
#90249p1977 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
MEADOW LANDS, PA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Ladbroke at The Meadows announced today that Cyril Stein, chairman and managing director of Ladbroke Group PLC visited the track for the first time on Wednesday.

The purpose of the trip was to review with officials of Ladbroke the Pittsburgh-area operation which includes Ladbroke at The Meadows, located in Washington County; and Ladbrokes-New Castle, the first off-track

wagering site, located in Lawrence County. The Vista International, in downtown Pittsburgh, is also owned by Ladbroke Group PLC.

Stein said he was impressed with the New Castle facility and the millions of dollars which were being spent on-track at Ladbroke at The Meadows. Stein said he found Pittsburgh to be an impressive and flourishing city that has obviously undergone a renaissance.

Also accompanying the Ladbroke chairman was Peter George, executive chairman, United Kingdom and International Racing; Keith Edelman, corporate planning director and executive chairman, Texas Homecare; Jeremiah O'Mahony, financial director; David Goodwill, president & chief operations officer, Ladbroke Racing Corp.; and John Long, vice president of off-track operations.

The Meadows was purchased by Ladbroke Group PLC in January of 1989 and the track was renamed Ladbroke at The Meadows. The first off-track wagering facility was recently opened in New Castle, Pa., and a second is due to open the end of the year in Greensburg, Pa.

Ladbroke Group PLC also owns Detroit Race Course in Michigan, Canterburby Downs Race Track in Minnesota, Golden Gate Fields in California and is completing construction on a dog track near Brownsville, Texas.

CONTACT: Bob Sabot of Ladbroke at The Meadows, 412-225-9300, or 412-563-1224

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#90249p1982 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLENVIEW, IL (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Kraft General Foods (KGF) is about to embark on one of the largest consumer promotions in the history of packaged goods marketing, featuring more than $500 million in coupons and the biggest single-sponsor special issue ever produced by a women's service magazine.

The fourth-quarter "Holiday Homecoming" promotion will include 34 of Kraft General Foods' leading brands and will be centered around a 92-page Holiday Guide magazine written and produced by Family Circle. The Holiday Guide will have a press run of 5.5 million and will be distributed in supermarkets across the country.

"The 'Holiday Homecoming' promotion is by far the biggest ever for our company and exactly the kind of high-powered marketing program we envisioned when Kraft and General Foods were combined," said Eric Strobel, senior vice president of marketing services for KGF.

"With almost three dozen of the best known brand names in the food

business, including Kraft, Jell-O, Oscar Mayer, Miracle Whip, Maxwell House, Cool Whip, Philadelphia Brand and Post, the 'Holiday Homecoming' promotion offers outstanding value for consumers and the opportunity for our retail customers to increase their fourth-quarter sales," Strobel added.

The program has several key elements. First, KGF will produce two free-standing inserts (FSIs), each with a circulation of more than 50 million. The first FSI, appearing in November, will be a 16-page solo insert exclusively featuring KGF brands, to be followed in December with a second FSI. The FSI's will feature a total o 34 KGF brands and will include coupons valued at more than $10. These 34 brands produce more than $1 billion in fourth-quarter retail sales.

Consumers who purchase any three of the 34 featured KGF brands will be able to receive free the 92-page Holiday Guide published by Family Circle.

The magazine will include features on decorating, cooking and entertaining as well as tips for balancing traditional holiday celebrations with today's busy lifestyles. It also includes a unique 16-page workbook with a holiday calendar highlighting key "don't forget" dates, plus features on party planning, budgeting and wrapping. Twelve four-color clip-out recipe cards are also included.

Editorial sections will be flanked by run-of-book advertising featuring the 34 participating brands. The Holiday Guide will be available on more than 60,000 displays in virtually every major supermarket nationwide.

Kraft General Foods, headquartered in Glenview, Ill., is the multinational food business of Philip Morris Companies Inc.(NYSE: MO).

Family Circle magazine is the world's largest women's magazine and is published every three weeks by The New York Times Company Magazine Group.

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#90249p1985 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Temco Service Industries, Inc. (OTC), the building maintenance and security services company, today announced revenues and net income for the three and nine months ended June 30, 1990, as follows:

TEMCO SERVICE INDUSTRIES, INC.

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
June 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989

Revenues	$35,648,432	$26,476,744	$99,798,496	$78,646,506
Inc. bef. prov. for inc. taxes	774,468	328,105	816,045	(106,079)
Prov. for inc. taxes	240,655	33,000	518,509	69,000
Net income	533,813	295,105	297,536	(175,079)
Net inc. per com. shr.	$1.00	$.55	$.55	$(.32)
Avg. no. of shares outstanding	534,902	539,452	538,362	546,569

Note: The financial information reported is subject to adjustments resulting from year-end audit. Results of operations for the three months and nine months are not necessarily indicative of earnings for the full fiscal year.

CONTACT: Edward Valenti, vice president and treasurer of Temco Service Industries, 212-889-6353

-30- 1361

#90249p1987 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

JOHNSTOWN, PA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Claude J. Incaudo, president and chief executive officer of The Penn Traffic Co. (AMEX: PNF), today said, "We are pleased to report that for the 13 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990, Penn Traffic achieved record second quarter sales, operating cash flow (EBDIAT) and operating income of $716.6, $44.1 and $27.1 million, respectively, which were 1.0 percent, 14.3 percent and 17.7 percent greater than a year ago.

"Sales comparisons for the quarter were adversely affected by the sale of the P&C New England wholesale division. All three of our operating companies contributed to the exceptional growth in cash flow and operating income during the most recent quarter, building on the previously reported strong results for the first quarter. The continued progress of our company in improving its cash flow and operating income clearly demonstrates the success of our merchandising, operating and capital programs. We remain confident further improvement will be achieved in our results for the balance of the year. For the 13 and 26 week periods, the amortization of good will and the equity interest loss in Grand Union were the primary reasons for Penn Traffic's accounting net loss.

"During the second quarter, P&C completed the divestiture of its New England retail division. Having previously discontinued its New England wholesale business, P&C leased its New England distribution center, disposed of 13 stores, and entered into a 10-year lease with Grand Union for the remaining 13 stores. As initial consideration for these transactions, P&C received cash, which was applied to pay down debt, and two Grand Union stores.

"Our capital expenditure program for existing facilities continues to move forward, although at a slightly slower pace than anticipated. This has resulted primarily from developer delays at new store sites. For the 26 weeks, the company has invested $39 million in capital improvements, including opening seven new stores totaling 265,000 square feet. The company expects to spend a similar amount on capital improvements in the second half of fiscal 1991.

"With so much accomplished and plans to do so much more, dedication and teamwork continue to make the future look bright for our company."

The Penn Traffic Co. and its subsidiaries, excluding Grand Union, operate 184 supermarkets in Pennsylvania, New York, Ohio and West Virginia. The company owns and operates one of the largest dairy processing and ice cream manufacturing operations in Pennsylvania, along with two large bakery operations in New York and Ohio. It also operates 30 Harts department stores, along with four supermarket-discount department store combinations. The company wholesales groceries to 124 independently owned stores, which operate under the Riverside Markets, Bi-Lo Markets and Big M names, and provides wholesaling services to 96 independent supermarkets. Penn Traffic and its subsidiaries employ approximately 24,000. Grand Union operates 307 supermarkets and food stores under the Grand Union and Big Star trade names. Grand Union's stores are located in Vermont, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, New Hampshire and Georgia. Grand Union has approximately 22,000 employees.

THE PENN TRAFFIC CO.

Period ended	13 Weeks		26 Weeks	
	8/4/90	7/29/89	8/4/90	7/29/89(A)
Net sales	$716,568,000	$709,460,000	$1,414,141,000	$1,218,353,000
Operating income	27,099,000	23,032,000	47,377,000	36,734,000
Operating cash flow	44,141,000	38,627,000	80,899,000	72,669,000
Net (loss)(B)	(6,126,000)	(2,886,000)	(18,406,000)	(15,284,000)
(Loss) Earnings per common share(B)	$(1.25)	$(.67)	$(3.61)	$(3.18)
Avg. common shares outstanding	5,555,733	5,198,620	5,555,733	5,166,922 (A)

Includes the results of Big Bear Stores Co. since April 1, 1989. (B) Includes the company's portion of the net loss related to its 24.3 percent equity interest in GND Holdings (corporate parent of Grand Union). The company's portion of the net loss was $2,813,000 ($.51 per common share) for the second quarter and $7,566,000 ($1.36 per common share) for the 26 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990.

CONTACT: Claude J. Incaudo, president and chief executive officer of The

Penn Traffic Co., 315-457-9460

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#90249p1988 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
RADNOR, PA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Sun Co. (NYSE: SUN) today named Thomas W. Hofmann comptroller.

He moves into that position from Helios Capital Corp., where he was vice president, finance. Helios is Sun's leasing and secured lending subsidiary.

Hofmann, 39, joined Sun in 1977. He held a number of managerial positions in the accounting group before going to Helios in 1987. From 1973 to 1977, he was a senior auditor at Coopers & Lybrand, a public accounting firm.

A 1973 graduate of the University of Delaware, Hofmann holds a B.S. in accounting. In 1989 he attended the Harvard Business School Corporate Financial Management Program.

Hofmann replaces Robert M. Aiken Jr., who becomes senior vice president, finance.

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-30- 926
#90249p1990 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
KILLINGTON, VT (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - S-K-I Ltd., (NASDAQ: SKII) today announced that revenues for the year ended July 31, 1990 increased three percent to $84,554,000 compared to $82,069,000 during fiscal 1989.

Net income for the year was $3,579,000, or 63 cents per share. Last year's net income of $4,598,000, or 81 cents per share included a non-recurring gain from the recovery of certain tax credit reserves in the amount of $917,000, or 16 cents per share.

Revenues for the fourth quarter of 1990 were $4,126,000, up ten percent from last year's $3,747,000. The company incurred a loss for the quarter of $2,662,203 (47 cents per share) compared to a loss of $2,442,717 (41 cents per share) for the same period a year ago, reflecting an historical, seasonal pattern in the ski business.

Preston Leete Smith, president and chief executive officer of S-K-I said, "Income from operations for fiscal 1990 was virtually equal to last year's levels. Strong skier volume in our third quarter, coupled with cost controls, helped to offset the effects of very unusual business patterns during the early ski season."

At the company's Bear Mountain Ski Area in Big Bear Lake, California, construction has begun on a new detachable quad chairlift which will increase the total lift capacity there by 26 percent. Work on this renovation and expansion had been delayed for over two years after the plans and permits that existed when S-K-I purchased the property were withdrawn and the approval process was retraced.

A new quad chairlift being constructed at Mount Snow this summer will serve the south facing terrain in the Sunbrook area. The Pico Ski Area, immediately adjacent to Killington, is currently being operated by the company under a management contract which includes an option to purchase the area through July 31, 1991.

Efforts to gain the necessary permits to meet the various contingencies to the proposed merger, including the physical connection to the two areas, are progressing at this time. Skier visits at Pico increased by more than 23 percent to 175,000 this past season. As structured, any effects of this management agreement will not be included in S-K-I's results until 1991.

In conclusion Smith noted, "We are confident that our technical advantage in marketing and snowmaking, combined with our comprehensive management control systems, will allow us to adjust strategically to maximize our future business opportunities."

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-30- 2715

#90249p2000 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SKOKIE, IL (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Watts Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: WATTA), announced today that the purchase of the Circle Seal Controls unit of Brunswick Corporation (NYSE: BC) has been completed. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Circle Seal Controls was founded in 1947 and is located in Anaheim, Calif. It manufactures relief valves, check valves, pressure regulators, and other valve products for industrial, commercial aviation and aerospace/military applications. Its sales for the last fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989 were $32.9 million.

The Circle Seal trademark, which represents the O-ring sealing principle, is synonymous with high quality fluid control products where soft seat technology is utilized to attain zero leakage.

Watts Industries, Inc., designs, manufactures and sells an extensive line of valves for a wide variety of markets, including water safety and flow control, water quality, industrial, steam, and oil and gas markets.

Headquartered in Skokie, Brunswick Corporation serves worldwide markets in the marine power, pleasure boating, recreation, and defense/aerospace areas. Its stock is traded on the New York, Tokyo, London, Midwest and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

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-30- 1546

#90249p2005 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - CSX Corp. (NYSE: CSX) today announced Southwood J. Morcott will be joining its board of directors at the Sept. 12, 1990, meeting of the board.

Morcott is chairman of the board, president, chief operating officer and chief executive officer of the Dana Corp., a global manufacturer and marketer of components and services for the highway vehicular and industrial markets based in Toledo, Ohio.

Morcott, 52, has been associated with Dana since 1963. He was elected to Dana's board of directors in October 1985 and was given the additional responsibilities of president and chief operating officer in December 1986. He was named chief executive officer on Aug. 1, 1989, and chairman of the board on Feb. 1, 1990. Morcott also serves on the board of directors of the Highway Users Federation, Brazeway Inc., Blue Bird Body Company, Spicer S.A.-Mexico and Hayes-Dana Inc.

CSX Corp., headquartered in Richmond, Va., is an international transportation company that offers a variety of rail, container- shipping, intermodal, trucking and barge services.

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-30- 1326

#90249p2006 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVING, TX (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Exxon Corporation (NSYE: XON) today announced that Kathleen B. Cooper will join the company's corporate planning department as chief economist.

Since 1981, Cooper has been with Security Pacific National Bank and Corporation in Los Angeles, where she served most recently as executive vice president and chief economist. Prior to joining Security Pacific, she was chief economist for United Banks of Colorado.

Cooper is a director of the National Bureau of Economic Research, and for

the past year was chairman of the American Bankers Association's economic advisory committee. Cooper also serves as a trustee of Scripps College in Claremont, Calif. She is a past president of the National Association of Business Economists.

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THOMASTON, GA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Thomaston Mills Inc. (NASDAQ: TMSTA TMSTB) met today and declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 11 cents per share for both Class A and Class B common stock.

The cash dividend is payable Sept. 29 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 17, 1990.

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#90249p2013 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, OR. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Tektronix Inc. (NYSE: TEK) reported earnings of $9,392,000, or 32 cents per share, for its first fiscal quarter, which ended on Aug. 18. This compares with a loss in the prior year's first quarter of $1,864,000, or 6 cents per share. Sales in this year's first quarter were $302,450,000, up 3 percent from last year's $294,084,000.

Customer orders in the quarter were $297 million, down 4 percent from the $310 million reported in last year's first quarter. The backlog of unfilled orders was $232 million at the end of the quarter.

"This report represents a solid step in the right direction," commented Robert Lundeen, chairman and chief executive officer of Tektronix. "Orders and sales have remained level in a difficult environment. The cost reduction steps we took last spring have produced a profitable first quarter, despite continued losses in certain segments of the company's business. Particularly encouraging has been the improvement in profitability in the oscilloscope business, a key objective in our turnaround program. However, sales growth to further improve our results is required."

U.S. sales in the quarter were level with U.S. sales in the prior year, and made up 53 percent of the total. International sales were up 7

percent from last year. Communications product sales were up 21 percent from last year. Test & Measurement sales were 1 percent below last year's total, and Visual Systems sales were 6 percent below last year's first quarter. Geographic and product sales breakdowns for the quarter were:

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#90249p2018 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - American Plastics and Chemicals, Inc. (NASDAQ: APAC) today announced that it has signed agreements in principle with American Indian Plastics Inc. (AIP), a newly formed Montana corporation, wherein APAC will provide proprietary technology for two plants in excess of $150 million each to manufacture chemicals for plastics and engineered materials from local coal and limestone.

Located in Montana, the plants will be 51 percent owned by American Indian Plastics Inc. and 49 percent owned by American Plastics and Chemicals Inc. which will oversee management of the facilities and market the products produced. The length of the agreements is for a period of 30 years and may be extended by mutual consent. Funding for the projects will be arranged by American Indian Plastics, following the results of technical, economic and environmental feasibility studies. The studies are expected to take between six to nine months to complete.

According to William Morris, president and chief executive officer of American Plastics and Chemicals, American Indian Plastics is owned and managed by successful American Indian businessmen with proven track records in construction, environmental and petroleum engineering.

American Plastics and Chemicals' proprietary technology uses coal and limestone for the integrated manufacture of chemical commodities, rather than relying on oil- or natural gas-based feedstocks.

Commenting on the signing of the agreements, Morris said: "We are excited about the opportunities that will be realized by the new chemical facilities. We believe our coal/limestone technology can play a significant role in helping our country lower its dependence on foreign oil and improve our country's air quality."

Coal used for the chemical plants will be supplied by a Montana coal mining company owned by the Crow Indian Nation. Approximately 25 percent of the sale price for its coal will be paid to the Crow Nation as a royalty payment. American Indian Plastics, Inc. has received an offer for a 20-year supply of coal by the Montana coal mining company. Commenting further Morris added, "Ben Shawneego, president of American Indian Plastics, and I are committed to projects that are beneficial to the Crow

Nation without harming their environment."

American Plastics and Chemicals is a development-stage company engaged in demonstrating the commercial viability, licensing, and utilization of certain proprietary technology in the co-production of calcium carbide and fuel gases from raw coal and raw limestone.

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#90249p2033 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Edison Brothers Stores, Inc. (NYSE: EBS) reports sales of $111.7 million for the four weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990. This compares with $95.1 million for the four weeks ended September 2, 1989, an increase of $16.6 million, or 17.5 percent.

For the thirty weeks ended September 1, 1990, sales amounted to $632.6 million. This is an increase of $89.4 million, or 16.5 percent, as compared with $543.2 million for the thirty weeks ended Sept. 2, 1989.

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#90249p2034 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) today reported traffic results for August 1990.

Revenue passenger miles (RPMs) decreased nine-tenths of a percent during the month to 5.773 billion. Available seat miles (ASMs) increased 5.9 percent to 8.771 billion for the month. Delta's system load factor for August 1990 was 65.82 percent.

Whit Hawkins, Delta's executive vice president - marketing and stations, noted that international traffic growth remained very strong during August but the decline in domestic traffic related to weak demand kept the total traffic below last year.

"The passenger mile yield improved slightly over expectations during August, but the improvement will fall substantially short of offsetting Delta's sharp jump in the price of fuel beginning in August," Hawkins said.

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#90249p2041 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCCONNELLSBURG, PA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - JLG Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: JLGI) today reported its third consecutive year of record sales and earnings for its fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

Fourth quarter sales and earnings were also higher than any quarter in the company's history.

Sales for the year rose 23 percent to $149.3 million from $121.3 million in the 1989 fiscal year. Net income for fiscal year 1990 increased 12 percent to $8.5 million, or $2.42 per share, from $7.6 million, or $2.14 per share the prior year.

Sales for the fourth fiscal quarter were $43.2 million, a 22 percent increase over the $35.5 million in sales reported for the same quarter of fiscal 1989. Net income for the 1990 fourth quarter increased to $2.7 million from $2.0 million in the prior year quarter -- a 32 percent increase. Earnings per share for the fourth fiscal quarter were $.77 compared to $.59 in the same quarter of the previous year.

Commenting on JLG's 1990 results, John L. Grove, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, "JLG's domestic operations again paced the company's growth in fiscal 1990. Our U.S. business reported its sixth consecutive year of sales and earnings improvement despite manufacturing capacity constraints during most of the year. A major contributor to our success in North America has been our ongoing dedication to improving and expanding our product lines. These efforts and the support from our strong network of approximately 100 independent domestic distributors have contributed to an expansion of the overall market for our products, especially with respect to boom-type aerial work platforms, where we historically have been the market leader.

"Results of our overseas operations during fiscal 1990 were mixed," continued Grove. "Our Australian operation showed a small profit for the year, but our U.K. operation reported a loss. Although combined these two international businesses were not profitable, we were encouraged by their record sales levels and the progress they have made in expanding their revenue base."

Grove added, "A strong sales performance by our boom-type machines fueled the revenue and earnings improvements in the fourth fiscal quarter of 1990 which were 6 percent and 9 percent higher, respectively, than our previous quarterly records. Our new U.S. Truck Cranes business also contributed to our record quarterly performance by adding to our sales base, as well as helping to alleviate the capacity constraints that have negatively impacted our performance this year.

"The outlook for fiscal 1991 is clouded by a weakening economic picture, tighter credit and escalating energy costs," Grove added. "During the fourth quarter, we began to experience a softening in our incoming order rate that has continued into the new fiscal year. The current drop-off in orders has necessitated a reduction in our work force, as detailed in a recent press release, and other cost reduction efforts are also under way. While we are hopeful that the incoming order slowdown is of a temporary nature, we believe it is prudent to prepare for a more protracted decline " Grove concluded.

In recognition of JLG's record results for the 1990 fiscal year and confidence in its continued growth, the board of directors has voted to increase the quarterly cash dividend from 5 cents per share to 6.25 cents per share, an annualized rate of 25 cents per share. The dividend is payable on Oct. 3, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 15, 1990.

JLG Industries Inc. is an international manufacturer and marketer of specialized hydraulic machinery, including mobile aerial work platforms and cranes. Sales are made principally to independent distributors which provide sales and service support as well as rent the company's products to a broad customer base, including users in the construction and industrial markets.

The company is headquartered in McConnellsburg, Pa., with additional manufacturing facilities in Fort Littleton, Bedford and York, Pa.; Cumbernauld, Scotland; and Port Macquarie, Australia.

CONTACT: Charles H. Diller, executive vice president and chief financial officer of JLG Industries Inc., 717-485-5161

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#90249p2043 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Heilig-Meyers Company (NYSE: HMY) the Richmond-based home furnishings retailer, today reported sales results for the month of August 1990. Net sales for the month increased approximately 14.5 percent to $30.9 million as compared to $27.0 million for August 1989. Sales in stores which were open for the comparable month in the prior year increased approximately 6.0 percent.

Net sales for the six-month period ended August 1990 increased approximately 17.8 percent to $187.4 million compared to $159.1 million for the same period last year. Sales in stores which were open for the comparable period in the prior year increased approximately 8.2 percent.

Heilig-Meyers Company, a Virginia corporation, presently operates 311 stores in 12 states.

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#90249p2045 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, NY (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Industrial Bank of Japan, Limited (IBJ) today announced the formation of The Bridgeford Group, Inc., to provide mergers and acquisitions advisory services.

The Bridgeford Group is uniquely positioned to provide expert advisory services in connection with merger and acquisition, divestiture and other financial transactions that primarily take place between the United States and Japan. The new firm will draw upon the resources of IBJ, through the bank's transaction relationships with its clients, including the top 200 Japanese corporations, and the bank's broad 35-year experience in the American financial markets. The Bridgeford Group will also be well positioned to initiate and execute U.S. domestic merger transactions.

Hideo Ishihara, Deputy President of IBJ said, "We are excited by the significant mergers and acquisitions capability that The Bridgeford Group will bring to us. The new firm represents IBJ's determination to further expand into the area of global transactions, and enables us to broaden the spectrum of international financial services to our clients throughout the world.

"We are extremely pleased that John A Herrmann, Jr. will join The Bridgeford Group as its president and chief executive officer. He will lead a highly professional team, which will work in close alliance with IBJ's corporate banking units and, in particular, with the M&A group of the Investment Banking Department in Tokyo. John has over 30 years' experience in investment banking, as both a Lehman Brothers partner and one of the founders of its mergers and acquisitions department."

Herrmann said, "The affiliation with IBJ will enable us to offer clients a range of transaction opportunities that is unequaled in the international financial marketplace.

"Through IBJ's cross-industrial client network, we will be able to advise Americans wishing to invest in or raise capital from Japan, or who are seeking Japanese business partners. Our expertise as advisors will complement the strength of the bank's corporate clients, enabling us to counsel Japanese companies seeking co-investor, co-venturer, or acquisition transactions in the U.S. We believe that we will set a new standard of counseling for enlightened, long-term acquisitions conducted by international corporate clients."

Established in 1902, IBJ is a transnational financial institution with a global network of offices in 38 cities around the world that provides

comprehensive financial services for multinational clientele. IBJ has total assets of nearly $280 billion and a client base of 8,000, including 90 percent of Japan's top 200 companies. IBJ's activities in Japan include long-term lending, underwriting of public-sector debt, and acting as commissioned bank for bond issues of Japanese and foreign borrowers. Working with associated companies, IBJ also provides leasing, consulting, asset management, and other services.

CONTACT: Takeo Otsubo for The Industrial Bank of Japan, 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.: 212-858-2898 or Jerry Seeman of Burson-Marsteller, 212-614-5135, for The Bridgeford Group

-30- 3352

#90249p2046 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company's Dearborn Stamping Plant here has become the 60th company facility - and the first major stamping plant - to win the Q1 Award for quality excellence.

Allan D. Gilmour, president - Ford Automotive Group, presented the award to Plant Manager James Agnew and UAW Plant President Loretta Burrell during a ceremony attended by most of the plant's 1,600 employees.

Gilmour cited the work done by Dearborn Stamping's employees in achieving a turnaround in plans that, in the early 1980s, "did not have a place for Dearborn as a major stamping facility, but rather as a place that would do mostly transitional work.

"Instead of accepting what everybody thought was inevitable, you decided not to accept it," Gilmour added. "You improved the business that you did have, and set out to raise the level of quality and productivity."

He pointed out that the plant's accomplishments would not have been possible without the participation, cooperation and dedication of the hourly and salaried employees, the union and the plant's management. It was, he told the employees, "an example of teamwork at its best."

Dearborn Stamping Plant, which is part of Ford's Rouge Manufacturing Complex, opened in 1936. It currently produces major exterior sheet metal components for several vehicles, including the Mustang.

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-30- 1613

#90249p2048 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Assets of the nation's 520 money market mutual funds decreased $770.0 million to $406.55 billion for the

week ended Wednesday (9/5), the Investment Company Institute reported today.

The 160 institutional funds fell $781.7 million to $97.90 billion; the 255 general-purpose funds rose $422.6 million to $143.69 billion; and the 105 broker-dealer funds fell $410.9 million to $164.96 billion.

Mutual fund assets were revised for August 29 (8/29) to $407.32 billion. The increase reported on August 29 (8/29) was revised to $679.3 million.

"Relative stability of stock and bond prices in the last two weeks has found its reflection in the moderation of weekly changes in the level of money market fund assets," said Dr. Jacob Dreyer, vice president and chief economist at the Institute. "After seven weeks of sharp increases during which these assets rose $25 billion, last week, like the week before, assets shrank by some three quarters of a billion dollars. Also as a week before, the entire decline occurred among institutional funds."

The Institute reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week and makes this data available to the public on a weekly basis. The Institute also reports monthly on three broad categories of funds. They are (1) short- term funds which include limited maturity municipal bond funds, (2) money market funds, and (3) all funds other than short-term funds -- such as stock, income, corporate bond and municipal bond funds.

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#90249p2055 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARNBOROUGH, ENGLAND (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) announced today that the VITAL VII MULTIVIEW cross cockpit viewing system has been approved for Phase III/Level D flight training by Transport Canada, the Canada Ministry of Transport.

The first VITAL VII system in Canada is integrated with a Thomson-CSF-built A-310 flight simulator at the Ward Air Airlines Flight Training Center, Toronto.

VITAL VII is the first of a new generation of visual systems that incorporate photographic texture. The VITAL VII has the capacity to use digitized photographs in scenes. Photographic texture can be attached to any object, stationary or moving. This allows for more realistic training, such as using photographs of the approach to a particular airport to provide the pilots with the most up-to-date training visuals available.

The VITAL VII is configured as a three channel, three projector MULTIVIEW cross cockpit display with a field of view of 40 degrees vertical by 150 degrees horizontal. The system is equipped with the optional calligraphic light point capability. McDonnell Douglas Electronic Systems Co. was the first to utilize the calligraphic light point capability, giving the scenes brighter, more realistic light points.

In 1972, McDonnell Douglas was the first to receive the U.S. FAA Phase II approval, opening up the commercial flight training market to computer generated image visual systems. Prior to 1972, only camera model board systems had been acceptable for training credits.

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-30- 1826

#90249p2056 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MADISON, WI (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Oscar Mayer Foods Corp. and Sara Lee Corp. (NYSE: SLE) have agreed to settle Oscar Mayer's patent infringement case against Sara Lee.

In settling the case, Sara Lee will redesign its current "Lunch 'N Munch" package to avoid Oscar Mayer's design patent for its "Lunchables" lunch combinations product no later than Dec. 31, 1990. Sara Lee also agreed to avoid infringing a pending Oscar Mayer utility patent by the same Dec. 31 date. Finally, Sara Lee has agreed to pay Oscar Mayer an undisclosed sum as a retroactive royalty for all packages previously produced.

Oscar Mayer had maintained that Sara Lee infringed on Oscar Mayer's "Lunchables" design patent with its packaging for Bryan Foods' and Hillshire Farm's "Lunch 'N Munch."

"We had been confident throughout that we would prevail in court, and so we are pleased that Sara Lee has agreed to settle," said Joel W. Johnson, senior vice president, marketing and sales for Oscar Mayer. "Our innovation in research, development and marketing has been rewarded by the marketplace success of 'Lunchables.' And we will continue to defend the rights that accrue to patent protection of these innovations."

Oscar Mayer Foods Corp., based in Madison, Wis., is the nation's leading manufacturer of brand identified processed meats.

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-30- 1570

#90249p2061 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Price Waterhouse announced today that it has received official Soviet Government approval to establish a wholly owned practice in the Soviet Union, making it the first professional services organization of its kind to be authorized to develop a multi-disciplinary practice without entering into a joint venture. (These services include accounting and auditing, tax, and management consulting.) The application was supported by the State Bank of the USSR and the Ministry of Finance.

Price Waterhouse has had a permanently staffed office in Moscow since September 1989, the first of the accountancy and consultancy firms to establish an office there in recent years. Price Waterhouse previously had an office in Leningrad but it was closed in 1917.

Most of the large accounting and consulting firms are now entering into joint ventures to secure their presence in this rapidly emerging market for professional services. Price Waterhouse is taking a different and far-sighted approach, as explained by Bruce Edwards, senior partner, Eastern Europe and Soviet Union:

"We believe that quality of service is the paramount factor in this new and complex market. We have studied carefully the different options available for us to achieve our long-term aim of an indigenous Price Waterhouse Soviet firm managed and staffed by Soviet nationals. We must offer our clients the quality of service that they expect of Price Waterhouse anywhere in the world.

"We concluded that a joint venture in the USSR was not the best way to achieve our objectives.

"Instead, we opened a Moscow office last year manned by Russian speaking expatriate staff and, at the same time, we have hand-picked exceptional Soviet graduates from the top financial institutes in the Soviet Union to train in Price Waterhouse firms around the world. This is an ongoing program. The graduates will gain internationally recognized professional qualifications, and the experience that goes with those qualifications, enabling them to develop our Soviet firm in the future by offering world standard professional services.

"We believe Price Waterhouse is the first western organization of any type to recruit staff direct from Soviet universities. The results of this program, which started last year, have been extremely encouraging. A western-style audit is still unknown in the Soviet Union. The market will never truly open until appropriate regulatory legislation is in place requiring Soviet organizations to be subject to an independent audit. Such regulations can only be effective when there is a cadre of trained national personnel to carry out audits and provide other professional services.

"Until such time as our Soviet staff are sufficiently experienced, we are able to provide high quality service more effectively through locally based expatriate staff, supported by our worldwide resources. We are also able to cooperate on a case-by-case basis, as required, with excellent Soviet institutions and specialists in particular fields of industry and commerce."

This innovative approach by Price Waterhouse is an example of the firm's pioneering attitude to Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union.

Edwards continued: "We are confident that our approach enables us to resource the practice to meet client requirements effectively in the short term as well as, in the longer term, ensuring that our Soviet staff receive the same career opportunities and rewards as all Price Waterhouse staff throughout the world. There will be no compromise on quality nor in our objective of creating a national Soviet Price Waterhouse firm.

Price Waterhouse also offers full services from offices in Hungary, Poland Czechoslovakia and the German Democratic Republic, and is actively engaged on assignments in Yugoslavia and Bulgaria.

Price Waterhouse is a leading provider of professional services worldwide, and has more than 42,000 personnel in more than 100 countries, operating in over 460 locations. The principal services provided are auditing, business advisory, tax, and management consulting services.

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#90249p2072 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Some commercials may claim to be hot, but a new diet Coke commercial is so hot, its stars form a puddle instead of a huddle.

With the help of Lucasfilm Commercial Productions and Academy Award-winning special effects from Industrial Light & Magic (ILM), of San Rafael, Calif., a group of athletes from the National Football League melt before your eyes.

The 30-second commercial, titled "The Melt," filmed at the Rose Bowl, depicts action at summer training camp. As temperatures rise and the players begin to melt into the field, Cincinnati Bengals quarterback Boomer Esiason saves the day by "passing" bottles of diet Coke to his fellow gridiron stars. Refreshed and revived, the players return to their original full-bodied state.

Other NFL stars featured in the spot include: Bubby Brister, quarterback Pittsburgh Steelers; Randall Cunningham, quarterback, Phildelphia Eagles; Tim Harris, linebacker, Green Bay Packers; Charles Mann, defensive end, Washington Redskins; Tom Rathman, running back, San Francisco 49ers; and Chris Spielman, linebacker, Detroit Lions. Messrs. Mann, Esiason and Cunningham have appeared in diet Coke commercials in the past.

ILM made the melting players look realistic by using the technology developed for the "pseudopod" water creature in "The Abyss" (Academy Award Best Visual Effects, 1989).

"The idea of having a day so hot that the players dissolve into the field is so different and challenging that only Industrial Light & Magic could make the commercial happen in a way that would be realistic and not cartoony," said Michael Ritchie, the commercial's director. "Our job is to make people believe the impossible -- that a human being could melt and pull himself back together again in 30 seconds."

The ability to turn brawny football players into puddles is only one of the advanced technologies used in the diet Coke spot. A technique known as "morphing," perfected in the production of the movie "Willow," was utilized as well. Morphing involves transforming the players from one physical state to the next using a computer and live action footage.

The special effects process took several months to achieve. "While most television commercials are on the air a couple of weeks after they are filmed, the complicated special effects in the diet Coke spot took almost three months to pull together," said Mr. Ritchie. "The commercial was handled like a feature film."

The commercial will begin airing this month.

CONTACT: Bob Bertini of Coca-Cola USA, 404-676-5173

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#90249p2073 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Coca-Cola USA will mark the 25th anniversary of the Super Bowl with the diet Coke Super Bowl Line-up game.

Consumers can win more than 1 million prizes throughout the fall, including trips to the Super Bowl and up to $25,000 in cash, in the instant-win and collect-and-win game.

Beginning Sept. 9, game boards and pieces will be available on multi-packs of diet Coke and other soft drinks from Coca-Cola USA. Twenty-five trips to the Super Bowl in Tampa, Fla., will be given away and each game board

has 25 spaces -- one for each edition of the annual gridiron classic.

To play the game, consumers attempt to match game pieces with spaces on the game board. When a line, consisting of five spaces, is completed, the player wins the amount specified on that line (i.e., $5, $10, $25, $250, $25,000).

In addition, special instant-win game pieces will entitle winners to $5, trips to the Super Bowl or free two-liter bottles of Coca-Cola products.

National advertising for the promotion begins this month with television and radio commercials starring Cincinnati Bengals quarterback Boomer Esiason and Washington Redskins defensive end Charles Mann.

Cut-out game boards and game pieces can be found until mid-November on multi-packs of diet Coke, caffeine-free diet Coke, Coca-Cola classic, caffeine-free Coca-Cola classic, Sprite, diet Sprite and Mello Yello. Games pieces also will be available under specially marked caps on bottles of diet Coke and caffeine-free diet Coke, as well as through extensive magazine and newspaper ads.

In addition, an estimated 51 million coupons for products from Coca-Cola USA will be distributed via print advertising to consumers as part of the promotion.

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#90249p2074 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation today reported it U.S. assembly plants' schedule for the week of Sept. 10.

Newark (Del.) Assembly Plant will operate two nine-and-a-half-hour daily shifts next week. The plant will also work two overtime shifts on Saturday, Sept. 8.

Dodge City/Warren (Mich.) Truck Assembly Plant will operate two nine-hour daily shifts next week. Belvidere (Ill.) Assembly Plant will operate two nine-hour daily shifts for three days next week. Dodge City/Warren Truck will also work two overtime shifts on Saturday, Sept. 8.

The company reported that its Sterling Heights (Mich.), Toledo (Ohio), and St. Louis II (Fenton, Mo.) assembly plants will operate two eight-hour daily shifts next week.

St. Louis I (Fenton) will operate a single eight-hour daily shift next week.

CONTACT: Alan Miller or Scott Fosgard of Chrysler, 313-956-2894

-30- 1086

#90249p2076 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir today reported a 7.7 percent gain in revenue passenger miles flown in scheduled service during August compared with the same month of last year.

Available seat miles flown rose 8.1 percent, while passenger boardings were up slightly from the same month a year earlier. August load factor was 66.6 percent compared with 66.9 percent for August 1989.

During the first eight months of 1990 USAir posted a gain of 5.0 percent in revenue passenger miles flown versus the same period of 1989, a gain of 7.2 percent in available seat miles flown, and a drop of 1.9 percent in passenger boardings. Year-to-date load factor was 60.7 percent compared with 61.9 percent for the same period of 1989.

Statistics for the 1989 periods prior to USAir's merger with Piedmont Airlines on Aug. 5, 1989, have been restated to reflect the combined airline operations of both carriers on a pro forma basis.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, 703-418-5100 or 213-417-1294 (Western Region)

-30- 1192

#90249p2079 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHERRY HILL, NJ (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - SAI Group Inc. (OTC) today announced the postponement of its special meeting of shareholders scheduled to be held on Sept. 13, 1990, to Oct. 25.

The record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the meeting is changed from Aug. 3, 1990, to Sept. 14. At the meeting, the shareholders will consider the proposed merger of the company into Proteq Verzekeringen Beheer N.V.

The company said that the postponement was caused by delays in processing the proxy materials to be furnished to shareholders for the meeting.

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-30- 863

#90249p2080 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

OLDSMAR, FL. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Edward T. Imparato, chairman and chief executive officer of International Systems and Technology (INSAT), today announced that an agreement has been reached on acquiring worldwide exclusive rights to market a new patented technology for the repair service to nuclear reactors.

The technology and patent was developed by personnel of New York Power Authority and consulting engineer Donald Harrison, a nationally recognized heat transfer engineer. International Systems and Technology has already begun work at its Oldsmar facility on the construction of prototype heating elements to be used in the repair process. Completion of the prototype equipment to be used for repair of cracking due to corrosion and leaks in nuclear reactor recirculatory systems is expected to be completed within three months. Signing of the final agreement is expected within two weeks.

Pursuant to the agreement, International Systems and Technology, Inc. will be obligated to pay certain royalties to the patent owners upon the successful demonstration and marketing of the acquired technology. Additionally, INSAT will provide the patent owners $10,000 to support their application for a worldwide patent.

In further corporate action, the board of directors at its Aug. 30, board meeting authorized the repurchase of 50,000 shares of the company's own stock over the next three months. These purchases will be made in the open market and this action was taken by the board because of its belief that the price of its stock was greatly under valued and that shares are needed for future corporate purposes. The company may consider future purchases of its stock in the open market should market conditions indicate that such acquisitions are in the company's interest.

CONTACT: Edward T. Imparato, chief executive officer of International Systems and Technology, 813-855-2671, or J.C.I. Inc., 813-584-1925, for International Systems and Technology

-30- 2181
#90249p2090 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANDOVER, MD (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE -- Robert M. Haft, president of Crown Books Corporation (NASDAQ: CRWN), today announced net income for the three-month period ended July 31, 1990, was $2,001,000, or 38 cents per share, compared with $1,352,000, or 26 cents per share, for the same period one year ago. Net income for the six-month period ended July 31, 1990, was $3,513,000, or 67 cents per share, compared with $2,851,000, or 55 cents per share, for the same period one year ago.

Sales for the quarter increased 9.4 percent to $48,878,000 from $44,661,000 and 10.7 percent to $93,601,000 from $84,541,000 for the six

months. For stores open more than one year, sales increased 2.7 percent and 3.7 percent for the three months and six months ended July 31, 1990.

During the three months ended July 31, 1990, Crown recognized a pre- tax gain from disposition of its shares in Bookstop, Inc., less certain expenses, of $1,829,000 and recorded the gain as an unusual item.

Crown currently operates 257 book stores in the Washington metropolitan area, California, Houston, Chicago and Seattle compared with 244 stores in operation one year ago.

CROWN BOOKS CORPORATION
(In thousands, except earnings per share)

Periods ended July 31:	Three months 1990	Three months 1989	Six months 1990	Six months 1989
Sales	$48,878	$44,661	$93,601	$84,541
Net income before unusual item and income taxes	1,380	2,822	3,796	5,177
Unusual item	1,829	--	1,829	--
Net income before taxes	3,209	2,822	5,625	5,177
Net income	2,001	1,352	3,513	2,851
Earnings per share	$.38	$.26	$.67	$.55
Wtd. avg. shares outstdg.	5,242	5,188	5,249	5,183

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#90249p2093 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Wilmington Trust Co. (NASDAQ: WILM) and Sussex Trust Co. announced today that they have mutually agreed to terminate the agreement under which Sussex Trust was to be acquired by Wilmington Trust.

The decision was attributed to rapidly changing economic and market conditions which have dramatically affected banking industry asset values and stock prices, particularly in recent months. These conditions contributed to a growing awareness by both parties of differences which would have made the satisfactory integration of Sussex Trust and Wilmington Trust difficult to achieve at this time.

Wilmington Trust Co. Chairman Bernard J. Taylor II said, "We are extremely disappointed by this development since we remain convinced that the combination of our companies would have benefited the stockholders of both companies."

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that we were unable to consummate the merger, we view the future of Sussex Trust with undiminished confidence."

Taylor concluded by expressing his company's respect for Sussex Trust's board and management and his hope that a return to more normal economic conditions might reopen the door for the two companies to get together.

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#90249p2094 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Wilmington Trust Co. (NASDAQ: WILM) and Sussex Trust Co. announced today that they have mutually agreed to terminate the agreement under which Sussex Trust was to be acquired by Wilmington Trust.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - William Shaw, president of Volt Information Sciences, Inc., announced today that the income from continuing operations for the third quarter ended Aug. 3, 1990 was $2,936,000 or 54 cents per share on revenues of $128,955,000, as compared to $4,571,000 or 74 cents per share on revenues of $128,381,000 for the third quarter of fiscal 1989. The net income for the third quarter of

fiscal 1989 of $4,169,000 or 68 cents per share was reduced by $402,000 (net of taxes) or 6 cents per share, due to a loss from discontinued operations.

Income from continuing operations for the nine months ended Aug. 3, 1990 was $1,287,000 or 23 cents per share on revenues of $380,191,000, compared to $5,271,000 or 85 cents per share on revenues of $354,756,000 for the nine months ended July 28, 1989. The net income for the nine months ended Aug. 3, 1990 of $552,000 or 10 cents per share includes a loss from and disposal of discontinued operations of $885,000 (net of taxes) or 16 cents per share and an extraordinary gain of $150,000 (net of taxes) or 3 cents per share. The net income for the first nine months of fiscal 1989 of $3,053,000 or 49 cents per share includes a loss from and disposal of discontinued operations of $2,388,000 (net of taxes) or 39 cents per share and an extraordinary gain of $170,000 (net of taxes) of 3 cents per share.

Volt Information Sciences, Inc. is a diversified technical services, human resources, computer systems and electronics manufacturing company.

VOLT INFORMATION SCIENCES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Summary of Results of Operations
(In thousands except per share)

	Third Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	8/3/90	7/28/89(G)	8/3/90	7/28/89(G)
Revenues	$128,955	$128,381	$380,191	$354,756
Income from cont. opers. before income taxes and extraord. items (A,B,C,D)	5,190	8,179	2,209	9,439
Income tax provision	2,254	3,608	922	4,168
Income from cont. opers. before extraordinary items	2,936	4,571	1,287	5,271
Loss from discont. opers., net of inc. tax benefit (E)	--	(402)	(885)	(2,388)
Extraordinary items - gain on the repurchase of debt, net of income taxes (F)	--	--	150	170
Net income	2,936	4,169	552	3,053
Per share data: Income from cont. opers. before extraordinary items	$.54	$.74	$.23	$.85
Loss from discontinued opers.	--	(.06)	(.16)	(.39)
Extraordinary items	--	--	.03	.03
Net income	.54	.68	.10	.49
Number of shares used in computation	5,471,859	6,154,612	5,701,086	6,179,362

VOLT INFORMATION SCIENCES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Summary of Results of Operations by Segment
(In thousands)

	Third Quarter Ended	Nine Months Ended

	8/3/90	7/28/89(G)	8/3/90	7/28/89(G)
Revenues:				
Technical services & temporary personnel	$ 65,512	$ 66,150	$195,348	$193,230
Electronic publication & typesetting systems	14,700	17,539	44,674	48,850
Telephony	36,127	28,907	93,491	79,133
Computer systems	5,864	5,618	34,907	17,825
Technical publication svcs.	1,199	1,658	3,205	4,786
Equity in income of 50 pct. owned joint ventures (D)	5,853	5,021	8,541	7,531
Interest & other inc. net (A & B)	1,326	6,139	4,449	9,143
Elimination of intersegment revenues	(1,626)	(2,651)	(4,424)	(5,742)
Total	128,955	128,381	380,191	354,756
Inc. from cont. opers. bef. inc. taxes & extraord. items: Operating profit (loss):				
Technical services & temporary personnel(B,C)	$ 1,038	$ (485)	$ (79)	$ 1,677
Electronic publication & typesetting systems (B)	1,233	1,117	3,478	3,598
Telephony (C)	1,110	2,270	1,680	3,645
Computer systems	(463)	130	353	1,428
Technical publication svcs.(B)	638	(277)	53	(1,034)
Eliminations	(89)	(249)	(241)	(197)
Total operating profit	3,467	2,506	5,244	9,117
Equity in inc. of 50 percent owned joint ventures (D)	5,853	5,021	8,541	7,531
Interest & other inc., net(A,B)	1,326	6,139	4,449	9,143
General & corporate expenses	(2,262)	(2,203)	(6,819)	(6,459)
Interest expense	(3,580)	(3,619)	(10,556)	(10,780)
Foreign exchange gain - net	386	335	1,350	887
Inc. from cont. opers. bef. inc. taxes & extraord. items	5,190	8,179	2,209	9,439

(A) -- The results of the first nine months of fiscal 1990 include gains on the sales of securities of $597,000 (6 cents per share) and an unrealized loss of $521,000 (6 cents per share) to reduce short-term equity investments to market value. The third quarter of fiscal 1990 includes an unrealized loss of $176,000 (2 cents per share). The third quarter and nine months of fiscal 1989 include gains of the sales of securities of $2,510,000 (28 cents per share) and $2,498,000 (28 cents per share), respectively.

(B) -- The third quarter and nine months of fiscal 1990 include $1,609,000 (18 cents per share) as a result of the successful settlement of pending litigation and insurance proceeds in excess of the carrying value of assets destroyed and costs incurred due to a fire in a foreign branch.

This favorably impacted the technical services and temporary personnel segment ($211,000), the electronic publications and typesetting systems segment ($845,000) and the technical publication services segment ($553,000). In the third quarter of 1989, as part of a settlement, the company received $2,140,000 (21 cents per share), which is included in other income, representing reimbursement of certain expenses (interest and general and administrative) incurred in fiscal 1989.

(C) -- The operating results for the third quarter and nine months of fiscal 1989 were adversely affected by a retrospective workers' compensation insurance premium adjustment of $1,500,000 (15 cents per share) applicable to prior years. The operations primarily affected were the technical services and temporary personnel and the telephony segments, whose operating profits were reduced by $1,021,000 and $430,000, respectively.

(D) -- A substantial joint venture, which operates in Australia, sells yellow page directory advertising under contract for directories to be issued through June 30, 1993. This joint venture produces a major portion of its revenues and all of its profits in the company's second and third fiscal quarters.

(E) -- During the first quarter of 1990 the company discontinued its full-service reproduction and printing operations. The operating losses, previously reported in the technical publication services and other segment, and the losses on disposal, have been reclassified, net of income tax benefits, to loss from discontinued operations. In fiscal 1989 the company discontinued its operations in the business information services market, which had been conducted through two joint ventures.

(F) -- The extraordinary items are gains due to repurchases, at a discount of $1,150,000 and $2,800,000 face value of the company's 12-3/8 percent subordinated debentures for nine months ended Aug. 3, 1990 and July 28, 1989, respectively.

(G) -- The 1989 amounts have been restated to conform with the current year's presentation.

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WICHITA, KAN. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Customers of Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) have been using electricity at a record pace -- in fact, peak usage this summer by KG&E customers has grown faster than for any other utility in the country.

The record hot weather is the primary reason for record electricity use. This summer there have been 28 days with temperatures over 100 degrees, while last summer there was only one 100 degree day.

"Electric Utility Week" newsletter in its national survey of electricity use reports that KG&E system peak responsibility of 1,763,000 kilowatts on Aug. 28 is a 12.44 percent jump from last year, the largest peak use increase in the country. Second biggest increase is that of Public Service of Indiana at 9.42 percent. Empire District Electric, headquartered at Joplin, Mo., has the third largest use gain at 9.33 percent.

KG&E officials report that total electricity use by its regular customers in August increased nearly 12 percent from a year ago. And regular customer use for all of 1990 through August is up nearly 5 percent from 1989.

Utility officials say they have had no trouble in meeting the increased demand, but encourage customers to take all steps possible to use electricity wisely.

Company officials point out that because of the increased use, customers can expect substantially higher bills. Special payment arrangements can be made and customers anticipating problems in making payment or wanting to budget their payments should contact a KG&E customer service office for assistance. KG&E customer service telephones are staffed 7 days a week, 24 hours daily.

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#90249p2111 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Equimark Corp. (NYSE: EQK) announced today it has established a committee to search for a new chairman and chief executive officer of the bank holding company. Board member David Gardner has been named to chair the committee.

The board said it undertook the actions after being informed by Alan S. Fellheimer, chairman and chief executive officer, of his desire to step down and return to the practice of law.

"Alan Fellheimer's contributions to this company since 1985 have had an enormous positive impact on the company," Gardner said. "We understand, however, his desire to reestablish his legal practice, and accept his decision."

Gardner said the special committee has retained Russell Reynolds & Associates, an executive search firm, to assist it in the search and that Fellheimer will remain chairman and chief executive officer until a new chief executive officer is selected and in place.

"Equimark now has in place marketing, operating, credit quality and expense containment plans necessary, which will serve as the basis for the company's new strategy, and return to profitability," Fellheimer said in commenting on his decision. "I am leaving because Equimark now needs steady, day-to-day management and I find more personal satisfaction in crisis and turnaround management and the problem solving associated with the practice of law."

Equimark indicated further that it was pleased that Fellheimer will remain a director of Equimark Corporation and noted that he has no current intention of making any significant change in his equity position in the company's stock.

Equimark Corporation is a diversified financial services institution with $3.5 billion in assets.

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#90249p2113 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAUKEGAN, IL (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Outboard Marine Corporation (OMC) (NYSE: OM) announced that its board of directors today adopted an amendment to the company's stockholder rights plan.

The amendment reduced the plan's "flip-in" trigger level from 20 percent to 15 percent of OMC's common stock. As amended, the rights plan provides that if any person becomes the beneficial owner of 15 percent or more of OMC's common stock, each right not owned by that person or related parties will enable its holder to purchase, at the right's then-current exercise price, common stock of OMC having a value of twice the right's exercise price.

The text of the amendment to the rights plan will be filed with The First National Bank of Boston, which is the agent for the plan, and with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The text also may be obtained from the OMC Investor Relations Department.

Outboard Marine Corporation is a leading international marketer of marine engines, boats, accessories and services.

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#90249p2118 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - James G. Robinson, chairman and CEO of Morgan Creek Productions and David Kershenbaum and Jim Mazza, announced today the formation of the Morgan Creek Music Group, a major new independent force in the global music industry.

With substantial capital funding from James G. Robinson and access to additional capital from various other sources, Morgan Creek Music Group will actively participate in all areas of the music industry, including a full-service multi-label record company based on the West Coast as well as a substantial music publishing operation, a film soundtrack division and recording studio interests.

Headquartered in Los Angeles, the new company will be headed by co-presidents David Kershenbaum and Jim Mazza, with James G. Robinson, the founding chairman of Morgan Creek Productions, serving as chairman/CEO. Mazza is the former president of capitol Records as well as the founding president and chairman of EMI American Records; Kershenbaum, the renowned record producer is well-known for his recent work with multi-platinum Grammy-winner Tracy Chapman and was formerly vice-president of A&R at A&M Records.

As well as signing and developing both new and established talent, the new company will be strategically positioned to take immediate advantage of growth opportunities through the acquisition of record labels, music publishing catalogs and related businesses as they become available.

Commenting on the new partnership venture, James G. Robinson stated: "I am delighted to be in business with two of the top creative and executive talents in the music world. Our expansion into the music industry reflects my earliest plans to diversify Morgan Creek's interests into all related entertainment areas."

Jim Mazza continued: "This new company has been created to provide an artistic environment for the 90's with no preconceived musical parameters or categorization. It is our intention to establish what we believe will be the finest worldwide marketing and promotion warhead in the industry."

David Kershenbaum commented: "We envision a fully integrated artist-driven company where A&R, promotion, artist development and worldwide marketing are all in- house and totally coordinated with one set of priorities, based on the music. Tastes always tend to run in cycles, and now is the perfect time to introduce different and fresh-sounding artists who can create contrast and tip the scale into new and exciting directions."

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#90249p2120 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA MONICA, CA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Wickes Companies, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of WCI Holdings Corp., today reported operating income of $24.2 million on sales of $677.3 million for the second quarter ended July 28, 1990, compared with operating income of $7.3 million on sales of $737.8 million in the comparable period of the prior year. For the six-month period, the company reported operating income of $49.3 million on sales of $1.375 billion compared with operating income of $34.0 million on sales of $1.574 billion for the six-month period last year. Excluding Orchard Supply Hardware, which was sold during the second quarter of 1989, and 1989 restructuring charges, operating income for the quarter and six-month period ended July 29, 1989 was $10.5 million and $34.1 million on sales of $713.6 million and $1.5 billion, respectively. Second quarter results reflect earnings improvements at Kayser-Roth Corporation, Collins & Aikman Textiles and Collins & Aikman Wallcoverings.

After interest expense, gain (loss) on sale of assets and income taxes, the company reported a loss from continuing operations of $8.7 million for the second quarter and a loss of $24.2 million for the first half of fiscal 1990. Last year, for the same periods, the company reported a loss from continuing operations of $28.9 million for the second quarter and a loss of $54.8 million in the first half.

After discontinued operations and gain on early retirement of indebtedness the company reported net income of $3.1 million for the second quarter compared to net income of $27.3 million in the second quarter of the prior year. For the six-month period of the current year, the company reported net income of $10.3 million compared with $3.7 million in the prior year. Net income for the second quarter and six-month period ended July 28, 1990 includes extraordinary gains on the repurchase of debt of $11.9 million and $38.6 million, respectively. There were no extraordinary gains during the comparable periods of the prior year.

The company indicated that it has progressed on its four-point program of: selected divestitures; reduction in corporate overhead; improvement in earnings of the core operations; and improvement in liquidity coupled with significant debt reduction. The company also stated that the divestiture program and reduction in corporate overhead were substantially complete.

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#90249p2123 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to numerous inquiries, L.A. Gear Inc. (NYSE: LA) today announced that net sales for its third fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 were approximately $300 million, an increase of approximately 40 percent over the $215 million posted in the year-earlier period. Net sales for the first three quarters were approximately $713 million compared to $451 million for the comparable period last year and $617 million for all of last year.

"These sales results have been achieved in what we perceive to be a difficult retail environment," noted Robert Greenberg, L.A. Gear's chairman and chief executive officer. "We also posted a 15 percent increase over the comparable period in fiscal 1989 in our gross incoming orders, which reached $240 million in the quarter."

Although the company's gross profit margins during the third quarter are anticipated to be higher than in the second quarter ended May 31, 1990, the company believes that net earnings per share will not reach the record level posted in the third fiscal quarter of 1989.

The company expects to complete the preparation of its financial statements later this month at which time it will be in a position to release more complete financial data.

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#90249p2125 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
CONCORD, CA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Altima Systems Inc. has announced that it will offer a distinctive leather briefcase. The Executive, manufactured by Hartmann Luggage, free to end users who purchase the highly anticipated Altima NSX notebook computer

According to Mike Fracisco, vice president of marketing of Altima Systems, "This promotion has so far been responsible for advanced bookings from Altima's authorized distributors, accounting for nearly a 100 percent sell-through of our first NSX production run."

The Altima NSX's cutting-edge technology combines a 80386SX processor running at 16 MHz, a VGA display, and a 20 megabyte hard disk drive in a notebook package containing a built-in 2400 baud modem with send fax capability. The NSX weighs 9.3 pounds, including the internal battery. The suggested list price of the Altima NSX is $4,999.

Hartmann Luggage, recognized worldwide for its handmade quality, uses the

finest belting leather and exclusive 25K gold-plated locks in The Executive model briefcase, which carries a suggested retail price of $480 at fine luggage and department stores.

Altima will begin initial shipments of the NSX notebook computer this month to authorized distributors, dealers, and VARs worldwide.

Altima Systems Inc. is a manufacturer of top-quality, full-featured, value-priced portable computers, backed by full one-year warranties and serviced by the Dow Jones Nationwide Service Network.

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#90249p2127 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Cineplex Odeon Corporation (NYSE, Toronto: CPX) and Garth Drabinsky and Myron Gottlieb today announced that they have reached a settlement in relation to all disputed matters between them regarding the sale of Cineplex Odeon's former Live Theatre division to Drabinsky and Gottlieb and that all related litigation will be discontinued.

Allen Karp, president and chief executive officer of Cineplex Odeon, said that he was satisfied that a mutually beneficial resolution has been achieved. Drabinsky stated that he was pleased that the outstanding matters between the parties had been resolved without court proceedings.

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#90249p2130 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA MONICA, CA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - WCI Holdings Corp. today reported a loss of $5.1 million before income taxes, minority interest and extraordinary item on sales of $677.3 million for the second quarter ended July 28, 1990. For the six-month period, the company reported a loss of $17.3 million on sales of $1.4 billion.

After income taxes and gain on retirement of indebtedness, the company reported a net loss of $2.6 million for the second quarter and net income of $3.4 million for the first half of the year.

For the second quarter last year, the company reported a loss of $35.3 million before income taxes, minority interest and extraordinary item on sales of $716.1 million. For the first half of last year, the company

reported a loss of $73.3 million on sales of $1.5 billion.

After income taxes and minority interest, the company reported a net loss of $40.2 million in the second quarter of the prior year and a net loss of $79.0 million for the first half of last year.

Amounts include the results of Wickes Companies Inc., 80 percent of which was acquired in December 1988 and the balance acquired through merger in April 1989.

WCI Holdings Corp. is jointly owned by Blackstone Capital Partners L.P. and Wasserstein Perella Partners, L.P.

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#90249p2134 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HYANNIS, MA. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - James H. Rice, President and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Cape Cod Bank and Trust Company, (NASDAQ: CCBT) said today that he expects the bank's earnings for the full year to show little if any improvement over the $.98 a share earned during the first six months of the year. Earlier estimates placed the year's earnings in the vicinity of $2.00 a share. Rice stated that the lower estimate is due almost entirely to a larger than normal provision for probable loan losses.

In spite of the lower estimate, the Board of Directors voted the regular dividend of $.38 a share payable on October 19 to stockholders of record on October 5.

Cape Cod Bank and Trust Company is the only independent commercial bank on Cape Cod.

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#90249p2140 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation and Algonquin Gas Transmission Company, subsidiaries of Panhandle Eastern Corporation (NYSE: PEL), have filed a request with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for authorization to waive certain tariff provisions that will permit enhanced flexibility to inject into storage third-party gas purchased from sources other than Texas Eastern or Algonquin. The request is supported by the Algonquin Customer Group,

which is composed of most of Algonquin's customers.

The filing would permit Algonquin's customers to begin injecting gas purchased from third-party sources into storage under certain of Algonquin's storage rate schedules, which would increase their competitive options. The waiver would enhance the ability of these Algonquin customers or any customers under certain Texas Eastern storage rate schedules to move gas on the Texas Eastern system by allowing the injection of third-party gas transported under any agreement pursuant to Texas Eastern's open access interruptible transportation tariff.

The companies have requested FERC grant the waiver on an expedited basis to permit the activities to start without delay.

Panhandle Eastern Corporation operates one of the nation's largest interstate natural gas pipeline systems, providing natural gas to the Midwest and Northeast markets.

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#90249p2141 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Petroleos de Venezuela S.A., (PDVSA) the national oil company of Venezuela, today announced that in line with its objective of extending the company's global reach, it has decided to restructure its overseas operations for the purpose of expanding its activities in the light of increased Venezuelan crude oil production levels, as well as reducing costs.

Toward this end, PDVSA is reorganizing its affiliated company, Interven, which is responsible for coordinating its existing interests in Europe. This company will also actively explore new opportunities which arise both from the European Community's forthcoming integration and the opening of markets in Eastern Europe. The European company will be headed by Remigio Fernandez, who will be seconded by Juan Carlos Gomez and Gonzalo Castillo as designated directors, all of whom have wide experience in the international field.

PDVSA also announced that the operations of its two wholly-owned affiliates in the United States, CITGO Petroleum Corp., headquartered in Tulsa, Okla., and Champlin Refining and Chemicals Inc., located in Irving, Texas, are to be integrated by the end of the year under CITGO Petroleum Corp. This is being done in order to achieve a stronger position to meet challenges and opportunities which face the U.S. refining and marketing industry today.

Ronald E. Hall will continue as president and chief executive officer of CITGO. PDVSA also stated that the new integrated structure will retain its current commercial relationships with the contractors, suppliers and wholesalers with whom it does business. Hall stated that the CITGO headquarters will remain in Tulsa. With the integration, the combined companies will have revenues in excess of $7 billion and a refining capacity of 480,000 barrels per day. CITGO's refinery in Lake Charles, La., has a nameplate capacity of 320,000 barrels per day and Champlin's Corpus Christi, Texas, refinery has 160,000 barrels per day of refining capacity. Hall further stated that the combined operations will provide a much stronger position from which the company can compete in today's U.S. market.

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#90249p2149 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARNBOROUGH, ENGLAND (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Great China Airlines Ltd. of the Republic of China (Taiwan) today signed a letter of intent to purchase six McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) twin-jet transports.

The agreement, with a value of more than $200 million, includes three MD-80s and three advanced MD-90s. Great China, based in Taipei, is a privately owned airline serving cities throughout the Republic of China. The new aircraft order was announced today at the Farnborough Air Show.

Taking part in the signing ceremony at the McDonnell Douglas chalet were S.S. Tang, chairman of Great China; Peter Szu, general manager of the airline; and Gerald Johnston, president of McDonnell Douglas.

In disclosing the choice of the new twin jet, Tang described them as ideally suited for the airline's present domestic operations and also for planned future service between Taipei and cities in the People's Republic of China.

The new aircraft will position Great China as an international regional carrier and provide for direct service between Taiwan and the mainland when authorized.

The near-term selection of MD-80s and later addition of MD-90s provides the best combination of size, performance, technology and economics for Great China's expanding route system, Tang said.

The early aircraft will be MD-82 models powered by Pratt & Whitney JT8D-217C engines, with seating for 148 passengers. The first delivery is scheduled in the third quarter 1991, with two more in the last quarter of 1992.

The Great China MD-90s will be series 30 models with 158 seats in a two-class arrangement. The MD-90s are equipped with International Aero Engines V2500 powerplants. The aircraft will be delivered in the spring and summer of 1996.

Tang noted that a strong factor in the choice of McDonnell Douglas aircraft was their commonality with MD-82s that are currently assembled and operated in the People's Republic of China. The aircraft are built by Shanghai Aviation Industrial Corp. under a co- production agreement with McDonnell Douglas and have been in service in China since 1983. The existing extensive support facilities and capabilities in the People's Republic of China will make Great China's operations with similar MD-82s easier to maintain.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - KnowledgeWare Inc. (NASDAQ: KNOW), the first CASE vendor to ship full-life cycle OS/2-based CASE tools, announced today that is has shipped more than 9,000 units of the OS/2 Presentation Manager(TM)-based Application Development Workbench(TM) (ADW) products since their introduction in June.

The ADW/Planning, Anlysis, Design and Construction Workstations automate the systems development life cycle, from strategic planning to automatic COBOL code generation.

ADW is KnowledgeWare's strategic CASE offering for IBM's AD/Cycle(TM) strategy. "KnowledgeWare has delivered the CASE products we promised last September in IBM's AD/Cycle announcement," said Michael Ryan, KnowledgeWare senior vice president of Research and Development. "We are proud to have met our commitment, and to have the support of our customers and IBM as, together, we advance the state of the art of application development within the AD/Cycle framework."

The Application Development Workbench (ADW) consists of five integrated software products that automate the planning, analysis, design, and construction phases of the systems development life cycle. The individual product names are:

-- Application Development Workbench/Planning Workstation (ADW/PWS)
-- Application Development Workbench/Analysis Workstation (ADW/AWS)
-- Application Development Workbench/Design Workstation (ADW/DWS)
-- Application Development Workbench/Construction Workstation (ADW/CWS)
-- Application Development Workbench/Cross System Product Enablement

Facility (ADW/CEF)

The distinguishing characteristic of the product line is its integration around a central intelligent encyclopedia. This integration supports automatic transitions between the various phases of the systems development life cycle, as well as 100 percent automatic COBOL code generation from diagrammatic specifications. The Application Development Workbench complies with IBM's CUA guidelines and supports IBM's AD/Cycle application development strategy for Systems Application Architecture(TM). ADW operates under OS/2 Standard or Extended Edition, Release 1.2, on an IBM PS/2(TM) Model 50 or higher.

"We have noticed significant performance and capacity improvements in using ADW in the OS/2 environment," said Keith Redman of U.S. Sprint. "Reports are executing with immediate response and we are now developing and maintaining larger encyclopedias."

KnowledgeWare develops, markets, and supports Computer-Aided Software Engineering (CASE) tools for use by information systems development professionals.

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#90249p2160 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON, (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthco International, Inc.'s (NASDAQ: HLCO), in response to the announcement earlier today by Gemini Partners L.P. that Gemini is actively seeking potential buyers for Healthco, stated as follows:

"Mr. Pearlman and his partners have at long last apparently determined to do something other than talk. Over the past three months, the special committee of Healthco's board and Lazard Freres conducted what we believe was an exhaustive search for a buyer for Healthco. More than 50 companies were contacted by, or contacted, us. These included both strategic and financial and domestic and foreign buyers. Extensive due diligence was conducted and discussions were held with numerous parties.

"During this period, Gemini has contributed nothing but bombast and empty rhetoric. We are at a loss to understand why, if Gemini were truly interested in selling Healthco at the best possible price, they have waited until after we entered into our agreement with Hicks Muse to actually do something to accomplish that goal.

"We can only assume that they are not, and never were, in fact interested in selling Healthco and that their latest announcement is nothing but a desperate attempt to salvage their waning credibility with our

stockholders.

"Healthco's board has produced what it promised -- a cash transaction with an extraordinarily well-qualified buyer which we believe is the very best available under the circumstances. By contrast, Gemini's actions have resulted in nothing buy disruption to Healthco's business and the inevitable loss of value in our stockholders' investment -- including that of Gemini -- that has resulted from this.

"It is now up to Mr. Pearlman to produce. Our agreement with Hicks Muse does not preclude us from considering bona fide unsolicited offers and from providing information concerning Healthco in response to such offers. It also contains a customary fiduciary 'out.' Our stockholders will have an opportunity to assess the results of Gemini's efforts at Healthco's annual meeting on Sept. 25."

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#90249p2161 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, VA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Silo, Inc., the nation's third-largest specialty retailer of consumer electronics, has signed a $5.7 million contract with GTE Spacenet to implement a nationwide private business-communication network.

"We are in a very tough industry, one that is highly competitive," said Alan Weingarden, Silo's vice president, information systems and technology. "We are convinced that good customer service, delivered in a cost-effective manner, is the key to our continued growth. This network will improve the efficiency of our business operations and enhance customer service."

Under terms of the five-year agreement, GTE Spacenet will build a Skystar(R) interactive data-communications network consisting of very small aperture terminals (VSATs) installed at Silo's 215 stores nationwide. GTE Spacenet also will provide operations and maintenance support.

Silo, which sells consumer electronics and major appliances, will use the network to facilitate sales transactions or after-sales service through such applications as credit authorization and inventory management. In addition, the network can be readily upgraded to include business-television communications between sites.

Satellites for Strategic Communication

"Whereas the VSAT, with its unique capabilities, was once considered a

strategic advantage, it is now a strategic necessity," said Joseph Barna, vice president and general manager of GTE Spacenet's Communications Services division. "We are pleased to do business with a company whose service philosophy so closely mirrors our own."

The last two years have been a period of rapid growth for Silo. In 1989, the Philadelphia-based company experienced a 24 percent growth in sales. Owned by Dixons Group plc of London, the world's largest specialty retailer of consumer electronics, Silo contributed nearly 30 percent of Dixons' total retail sales in 1989. Silo is continuing its expansion this year by opening 16 stores in the Los Angeles market by year's end.

Weingarden considers the VSAT network a strategic fit with Silo's business plan. "We have the flexibility to close or relocate stores, or open new ones, in a matter of weeks rather than months." Locations where a VSAT cannot be installed, such as Water Tower Place in Chicago, will be connected via a terrestrial line to the nearest store with a VSAT.

The GTE Spacenet network of VSATs replaces a hybrid configuration consisting of a shared hub, 36 VSATs in strategic market locations and circuits connecting Silo's other stores. In light of Silo's aggressive business plan, Weingarden said, the decision was made to convert to a totally private network that would give the company more control over costs and network management.

Headquartered in McLean, GTE Spacenet is a world leader in satellite communications with more than two decades of experience in the provision of telecommunications services and systems.

GTE's subsidiaries operate in 46 states and 41 countries, with combined revenues and sales of $17.4 billion and net income of $1.4 billion in 1989. GTE is a leader in its three core businesses -- telecommunications, lighting and precision materials -- providing products and services worldwide.

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#90249p2162 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Joe D. Kinlaw, president, Kinlaw Petroleum Companies of Dallas, announced the successful drilling of its ninth horizontal well, the Neal No. 1 in Frio County, Texas. "The well is currently flowing the field allowable of 1,300 barrels of oil per day on a 19/64 inch choke," Kinlaw said.

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#90249p2186 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (NYSE: CHV) announced a change in the posted prices it will pay for crude oil from California and Alaska fields. Postings are increased by varying amounts.

The change was effective today at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay: for 35 API -- Cook Inlet -- $27.15 26 API -- Buena Vista -- $26.15 19 API -- Huntington Beach -- $24.55 13 API -- Kern River -- $22.50 27 API -- Long Beach -- $26.65 13 API -- Midway Sunset -- $22.50 17 API -- Wilmington -- $24.00 The gravity adjustment scale is as follows: Above 40.0 deg. -- $0.000 per tenth degree API 34.0 to 40.0 -- $0.010 per tenth degree API Below 34.0 -- $0.025 per tenth degree API New prices for all fields are reflected in Chevron's California and Alaska Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-CA31. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90249p2187 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - A federal judge today refused to grant Johnson & Johnson (NYSE: JNJ) a new trial following last year's $7.85 million verdict against the pharmaceutical giant and three of its subsidiaries for breach of an "exclusive" distribution contract with Advanced Medical Inc., the Horsham-based distributor of high tech medical products.

The judge for the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania ruled that the jury had ample evidence that Johnson & Johnson had intentionally and wrongfully induced its subsidiary, Arden Medical Systems Inc., of Minneapolis, to breach Advanced Medical's exclusive contract.

The court likewise rejected Johnson & Johnson's plea to vacate or reduce the jury's $7.15 million punitive damage award against J&J. The court held that there was more than sufficient evidence of outrageous conduct by J&J and two of its wholly-owned subsidiaries.

The award is one of the largest ever against Johnson & Johnson. Advanced Medical's attorneys, Lee A. Rosengard and Jeffrey A. Lutsky, of the Philadelphia firm of Stradley, Ronon, Stevens & Young, stated that they were "gratified that the court chose not to disturb the jury's verdict,

which properly reflected its outrage at the commercial misconduct of Johnson & Johnson."

At the 5-week long trial last year, a former vice president of Arden testified that a high-ranking executive of Johnson & Johnson subsidiary threatened to "crush" Advanced Medical if the little Horsham company attempted to stand up for its rights against the pharmaceutical giant. In addition, a number of former Arden executives admitted at trial that it was the defendants' plan to force Advanced Medical out of its profitable distribution contract so that J&J could reap the profits for itself.

"It's no wonder the jury awarded Advanced Medical such a substantial verdict," said William R. Sasso, senior partner at Stradley, Ronon, Stevens & Young. Sasso suggested that J&J executives take a "long, hard look at their own credo." The J&J credo, often cited by J&J as a principal reason for its success, promises "just and ethical" actions by the company's management, and the opportunity for distributors "to make a fair profit."

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#90249p2188 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $0.75 per barrel was effective today at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$28.25 for West Texas Intermediate $26.25 for West Texas Sour $28.25 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E47. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90249p2190 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) returned Peach Bottom Unit 2 to service following a shutdown which began August 30 to repair a reactor water level sensor.

This sensor, one of many within the reactor, indicates the reactor water

level to plant operators in the control room.

PE said expects the unit to reach full power by the end of the week.

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#90249p2195 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, Calif. (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Every year as taxpayers sign their refund checks, they briefly note the announcement that "Forgery of endorsements on Treasury checks is a federal crime. Maximum penalty is a $10,000 fine and 10 years imprisonment."

Michelle J. Magee of Long Beach has contacted numerous U.S. government agencies, starting with the IRS, and not one would prosecute the forgery of her IRS refund check, dated 1986.

Two weeks ago, the Long Beach Press-Telegram ran a wire story about the National Coalition of IRS Whistleblowers' $10,000 reward campaign for corrupt IRS officials. Magee responded to the coalition, "thinking that maybe these people can help me."

Magee's problems started eight years ago when her ex-husband, Larry Oetjengerdes, skipped town, leaving her with an unexpected tax bill. Magee started receiving IRS notices on her husband's delinquent taxes, such as the frightening 1984 one that stated "...Property or rights to property, such as automobiles, may also be seized and sold to satisfy your tax liability..."

The IRS targeted Magee for the tax bill. IRS Revenue Officer C. Ramerez wrote, "We have been trying to locate Larry Oetjengerdes, but all efforts have been unsuccessful. The tax owed has been long past due and we demand full payment from you."

Magee paid the bill in the fall of 1984, left with the promise from Ramerez that the IRS would continue to search for her former husband, who she had been divorced from for nearly two years.

Two months later, in pursuit of this promise, Magee again wrote Ramerez, informing him that her ex-husband had called her mother about the receipt of an IRS notice. The response to Magee was "case closed." The final note from IRS Group Manager Teresa Price of the Riverside IRS office stated "Disclosure provisions prevent us from discussing anything regarding Mr. Oetjengerdes (the ex-husband) without his expressed written authorization."

Magee thought that her troubles were over. She was her own person again,

the past behind her and a refund check from the 1984 tax payment on the way.

Noticing that the refund check was late in arriving, Magee contacted the IRS. She received a copy of the check from the IRS with her signature forged right beside her ex-husband's. Her refund check had been sent to the very same ex-husband the IRS had previously been unable to locate.

Magee went to the IRS Problem Resolution office and then the Criminal Investigation Division of the IRS, but neither would investigate this easily proved accusation.

By the time Magee went to the U.S. Justice Department and then the Secret Service in 1988, the IRS had already decided that the complaint was civil between two spouses even though the divorce was now five years past and the check was forged.

"I want this forgery prosecuted," Magee said. "It is unfair that it has not been done. I believe that divorced or separated people should be treated individually and as separate persons. The person that pays the penalty should be entitled to the refund."

During the past five years, many taxpayers treated unfairly and illegally have contacted the National Coalition of IRS Whistleblowers. The coalition was founded in 1985 by the Church of Scientology's Freedom Magazine and is composed of former and current IRS employees and concerned citizens.

Those presently having problems with the IRS may contact the coalition in Washington at 202-328-1638 or in Los Angeles at 213-662-9876. The address for the National Coalition of IRS Whistleblowers is P.O. Box 65471, Washington, DC 20035.

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#90249p2200 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANATA, Ontario (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Newbridge Networks Corp. today announced financial results for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991, ending Aug. 4, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter were recorded at $38,116,000 representing an increase of 40 percent over the revenues for the same period in fiscal year 1990 and 20 percent higher than the revenues for the fourth quarter fiscal 1990. Net income for the quarter was $180,000 ($0.01 per share basic and fully diluted - Canadian GAAP), compared to a net income of

$4,184,000 ($0.17 per share basic and $0.14 per share fully diluted - Canadian GAAP) for the same period of fiscal year 1990 and a loss of $6,913,000 ($(0.21) per share basic and fully diluted - Canadian GAAP) for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990.

Commenting on the quarter, Newbridge chairman Terence Matthews said, "The results show significant revenue growth as compared to the previous two quarters. This is due to an increased level of business activity with both private corporations and telephone companies around the world. In addition to the record sales, I am pleased to report that programs initiated to reduce expenditures from the fourth quarter levels were successful, however, during the quarter the Company was able to increase technical services to support the growing worldwide user base. The Newbridge installed base has increased to over 18,000 multiplexers representing one of the largest of any manufacturer."

The company's collection procedures have continued to improve as evidenced by a reduction in the number of days sales outstanding in the accounts receivable this quarter by a further 26 days from the fourth quarter fiscal 1990.

Newbridge Networks is an international company which specializes in the design, manufacture and marketing of voice and data communications equipment for worldwide networks. Manufacturing facilities are located in Canada, the United States and the United Kingdom. Offices are located in the United States, Canada, Asia and the Soviet Union.

Newbridge Networks Corp. is a public company whose common shares are listed for trading (Toronto: NNC; NASDAQ: NNCXF).

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#90249p2207 09/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOKYO (SEPT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Hiromichi Saeki, founder and president of PAX Corp. Co. Ltd. reacted in shock and disbelief at the incident which took place at the Pax Psycher Theater this past Tuesday evening in Tokyo. "We are tremendously saddened by the injuries to those attending Tuesday evening's Warrant concert in Tokyo. Because of the irresponsible action of a small group of excited, adoring Warrant fans, several concertgoers were pushed against a partitioned fence separating the stage from the audience and receive minor injuries. Pax is seriously looking at what can be done in the future to avoid any reoccurrence of an incident of this sort."

Psycher has presented dozens of performances, since its opening in June of

1990, without incident. Soul II Soul opened their 1990 World Tour as Psycher along with Richie Havens, Ofra Haza and Grace Jones on the same bill. Other performers who have played on the Psycher stage include Kid Creole and the Coconuts, The Gap Band, Parliament Funkadelic Cameo, Klymaxx, Calloway and D-Mob starring Cathy Dennis.

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#90249u0152 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - At least 100-thousand students in five states enjoyed an extended vacation Wednesday as more than six-thousand of their teachers walked the picket lines. The largest strike- by 15-hundred teachers in Fremont, California, near Ran Francisco- affected 26-thousand students at 40 schools. But teachers in iakima, Washington, returned to the classroom after unanimously ratifying a three-year contract.

The activist homosexual group ACT-UP has raised the hackles of a conservative organization that supports Senator Jesse Helms. ACT-UP has come out with a satirical poster that appears to depict the arch-conservative North Carolina Republican engaging in a homosexual act with President Bush. The group backing Helms demands that his Democratic opponent in the November election publicly repudiate the poster. NO comment from either Helms or his challenger, former Charlotte Mayor Harvey Gantt.

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#90249u0154 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (SEPT. 6) UPI - Antonio Pires Estaquio was overseeing expansion of the municipal cemetery he had administered near Sao Paulo for 13 years when one of three workers using crude shovels uncovered the edge of a plastic bag.

Inside the transparent bag was what appeared to be human remains.

Further digging Tuesday in the small Dom Bosco Municipal Cemetery revealed 1,700 such bags, some containing only partial skeletons, buried in a 90-foot-long, 2-foot wide and 6-foot deep trench. Estaquio told United Press International in a telephone interview he believed some of the remains were of political prisoners who had been tortured and killed during military rule from 1964 to 1985.

''When I came to work here people talked about the common graves that were supposedly for beggars,'' Estaquio said. ''I always wanted to know who really was buried there.''

Estaquio said that some of the bodies showed signs of expensive dental work, including silver fillings that would have been beyond the means of the supposed paupers buried there.

The graveyard administrator said some skeletons also showed signs of physical harm, possibly torture, including skulls that had been crushed or perforated by bullet holes and fractured legs and collar bones.

''I had to get authorization from the municipality to open the grave'' to remove the bags, Estaquio said. On Wednesday, police transferred the remains from the cemetery, 21 miles west to Sao Paulo, where forensic experts were to examine the remains at the Legal Medical Institute of Sao Paulo, authorities said.

Police and officials from the government of President Fernando Collor de Mello said they would not comment on the find until they had the results of the medical tests.

Human rights leaders told Brazil's official news agency that at least two of the bodies were the remains of Frederico Eduardo Mayr and Flavio Carvalho Molina, members of the now-extinct far-left Popular Liberation Movement who were arrested in the early 1970s and later listed as disappeared.

Mayr and Carvalho were identified by the Brazilian Commission for Amnesty, which said the two were registered in the cemetery records under the code names they used while carrying out guerrilla activities, the news agency said.

So far, no group has claimed all the bags hold the remains of people tortured and killed during the military regime, but some say that a small number of what is said to be unclaimed paupers remains could be the bodies of political prisoners arrested in the early 1970s and killed.

''At least 50 of these bodies could be ex-political prisoners. Some could have been killed by the (paramilitary) Death Squad,'' said Luis Eduardo Greenhalgh, a defense lawyer for political prisoners during the 1970s and now assistant mayor of Sao Paulo.

According to the Rio de Janeiro president of the Brazilian Commision for Amnesty for Political Prisoners, Iramia Benjamin, 450 people disappeared and were believed slain in crackdowns against left- wing political organizations during the military regime.

''This grave could reveal many things we don't know,'' said Susana Tejera Lisboa, wife of Luis Enrico Lisboa, a militant member of the guerrilla organization National Liberation Alliance who disappeared in the 1970s.

Estaquio said authorities exhumed the bodies of seven left-wing political prisoners from the same cemetery in the early 1980s.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Baltimore - Acquired pitcher Dorn Taylor from Pittsburgh to complete June 25 trade which sent pitcher Jay Tibbs to Pittsburgh.

Boston - Named Steven August traveling secretary.

Cincinnati - Called up pitcher Keith Brown from Nasvhille of the American Association (AAA).

Cleveland - Purchased contracts of outfielder Stanley Jefferson and infielder Mark McLemore from Colorado Springs of Pacific Coast League (AAA).

Detroit - Announced Tom Gamboa will not be retained as manager of Toledo of International League (AAA).

Kansas City - Activated outfielder Jeff Schultz and pitcher Mark Davis from the disabled list.

Pittsburgh - Recalled pitcher Jerry Reuss, outfielders John Cangelosi and Steve Carter, shortstop Carlos Garcia, outfielder/first basemen Orlando Merced and Mark Ryal, catcher Tom Price, and pitcher Vicente Palacios from Buffalo of the American Asssociation (AAA).

BASKETBALL

Charlotte - Released forward Brian Rowsom.

New Jersey - Named Tom Newell asistant coach.

COLLEGE

Eastern College Athletic Conference - Admitted Liberty and Messiah.

Missouri - Restored football eligibility of tight end Tim Bruton.

St. Peter's - Named Chris Casey men's assistant basketball coach.

Texas Tech - Named Brad Pursley assistant track coach and James Mays

graduate assistant track coach.

FOOTBALL

Cincinnati - Signed cornerback Lewis Billups.

Cleveland - Signed receiver Leo Lewis.

Green Bay - Placed defensive end Shawn Patterson on injured reserve; re-signed defensive end Blaise Winter.

Houston - Signed quarterback Don McPherson; placed defensive back Dee Thomas on injured reserve.

Indianapolis - Agreed to terms on 1-year contract with wide receiver James Pruitt; placed linebacker O'Brien Alston on injured reserve; cut linebacker Greg Gilbert; waived linebacker Kevin Dean off injured reserve; claimed quarterback Mark Herrmann and linebacker Scott Radecic off waivers.

LA Raiders - Placed center Dennis Price on injured reserve; signed linebacker Ron Burton.

LA Rams - Claimed linebacker Greg Clark; signed wide receiver Henry Ellard to a 3-year contract extension.

Miami - Signed defensive end Greg Mark; placed offensive tackle Barry Pettyjohn on injured reserve.

NY Giants - Signed linebacker Lawrence Taylor to 3-year contract; signed quarterback Matt Cavanaugh; cut defensive end Robb White.

Philadelphia - Signed tight end Mickey Shuler.

San Diego - Signed cornerback Tony Shelton, recalled defensive lineman Gerald Robinson from waivers; placed tackle Joel Patten and quarterback John Friesz on injured reserve.

Washington - Recalled tight end Terry Orr and cornerback Alvoid Mays after they cleared waivers; placed wide receiver Stephen Hobbs and linebacker Jon Leverenz on injured reserve.

GOLF

LPGA - Announced resignations of Commissioner Bill Blue, Vice President of Business Affairs Gregg Shimanski and Director of Communications Holly Geoghegan; named Jim Webb interim commissioner.

HOCKEY

NY Islanders - Signed defensemen Joe Reekie and Chris Pryor to multi-year contracts.

Philadelphia - Signed left wing Pat Murray and defenseman Lance Pitlick.

Sgn Diego (IHL) - Signed defenseman Steve Dykstra.

Vancouver - Announced retiremen4s of defensemen Paul Reinhart and Larry Melnyk.

SOCCER

Baltimore (MSL) - Signed goalkeeper Scott Manning to 1-year contract.

St. Louis (MSL) - Signed forward Thompson Usiyan to 1-year contract.

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#90249u0175 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

BOGOTA, Colombia (SEPT. 6) UPI - President Cesar Gaviria shifted gears in the war against the powerful cocaine cartels, offering reduced sentences and the end of extradition of traffickers who surrender and confess their crimes.

But at the same time, the administration also ordered the extradition of three suspects already in custody. The decision came in defiance of a peace offer from the violent Medellin Cartel that ended bombings and slayings but also asked for the end of extradition.

Top aides said the presidential decree issued Wednesday was a new phase in the government's war on the cocaine cartels that began last year. It goes into effect under a state of siege declared by President Virgilio Barco in 1989.

''It's going to increase the capacity of the security organizations to go after the drug traffickers,'' said a senior official.

Gaviria said traffickers who turn themselves in, confess to their crimes and identify property bought from cocaine income would be accorded special treatment. Traffickers who confessed to crimes committed in other countries also would not be extradited, instead being judged by Colombian judges for those crimes.

Those who cooperate will be eligible for probation or reduced prison sentences depending on the crime. Sentences for drug crimes or terrorist acts would be reduced by one quarter, or as much as by one half if the suspects identify others who committed crimes.

''For those who do not satisfy these conditions, the maximum weight of the judicial system will be applied, including extradition,'' Gaviria said in a nationally televised address.

Gaviria said the offer was open Pablo Escobar and other cocaine kingpins, the billion-dollar traffickers who heads the Medellin Cartel. Escobar remains at large despite a huge manhunt.

The government believes the measures will induce traffickers - especially at lower and middle levels - to surrender and cooperate. Their information would eventually lead to higher-level suspects.

''It's like a pyramid,'' said one administration official, ''you start chopping from the bottom.''

Gaviria also announced that three jailed suspects had been approved for extradition to the United States, the first such action in his month-old government.

The decision renews extradition began under emergency decrees of the previous administration and comes after more than a month free of car bombs and other major terrorist acts.

The peace began when the Medellin Cartel, through its hit squad formed to fight extradition - The Extraditables - declared a unilateral cease-fire. But the peace declaration also said the group was looking for an end to extradition.

Gaviria announced the government also turned down three U.S. petitions for extradition of jailed suspects and postponed the extradition of another suffering serious health problems.

Gaviria denied any deal had been struck with the traffickers or that contact had taken place.

''Not only has there been no dialogue but the government has received no message, no signal, no offer, no petition that comes from these criminal organizations,'' Gaviria told reporters.

The government was acting from a position of strength, having made significant advances in the cocaine war in the past three to four months, he said.

The administration official also said the government would not let up the pressure on the cartels because of the new policy.

''It will not be reduced in the least - perhaps it will increase,'' said

the official who asked not to be identified.

The president also said the new policy would relieve pressure on judges, who are the subject of either hefty bribes or death threats by traffickers.

The change in tactics obeyed a ''mandate'' from the Colombian people to put an end to the violence that has rocked the nation in recent years, Gaviria said.

A war between the government and the Medellin Cartel erupted in August 1989 following a string of assassinations by cocaine hit squads and a series of successful anti-drug actions by police.

More than 1,000 people have been killed in the war, which includes car bombs, the bombing of an airliner and the slayings of hundreds of police officers.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - President Bush picked a pair of GOP fundraisers in Kansas and Florida Thursday to focus attention on this fall's elections and budget battle - as well as to reaffirm American resolve in the Persian Gulf.

Making his first trip aboard the new Air Force One, a six-story high Boeing 747, Bush scheduled a full day on the road in advance of Sunday's superpower summit in Helsinki, Finland, with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

The White House says Bush will report on his talks with Gorbachev and the latest developments in the gulf crisis in a nationally televised address to a joint session of Congress on Tuesday.

Bush, who intends to spend much of this fall campaigning for GOP candidates, was to attend fundraisers Thursday for Gov. Mike Hayden in Topeka, Kansas, and for Rep. Bill Grant in Tallahassee, Fla.

Aides say the president, in his campaign speeches, will urge support for the Republican hopefuls in this fall's elections, which will see the entire House and a third of the Senate up for grabs.

They say he will also express the need for Congress to reach an agreement on new deficit-cutting budget, and underscore the United States' commitment to stand up to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for his Aug. 2 takeover of Kuwait.

Bush met at the White House Wednesday with 30 members of Congress. They

just returned from a fact-finding trip to the Middle East where where thousands of U.S. troops are dug in as protection against further Iraqi aggression.

The lawmakers praised the rapidity of the U.S. military buildup, the biggest since the Vietnam War, and also expressed confidence that the U.N.-mandated economic sanctions would bring Hussein to his knees.

Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, told reporters after the hour-long session that the naval blockade should be extended to include air transport. But the White House quickly rejected the idea as unnecessary and potentially provocative.

While Bush heads to Helsinki Friday for his weekend meeting with Gorbachev he will hope that progress is being made back at home on thus far stumbling efforts to reduce the record deficit and put together a new federal budget.

Congressional and White House budget negotiators, following a month-long recess, are to meet at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., on Friday with hopes of hammering out a new tentative spending plan by Monday.

Bush will fly Thursday - and again this weekend - aboard his new Air Force One, an opulent and modified 747 200B.

It is the first of two such planes that will replace a pair of aging Boeing 707s, one dating back to John F. Kennedy, the other to Richard Nixon.

Two years overdue and an estimated $365 million overbudget, the new planes are the product of a 1986 ''fixed cost contract'' of $240 million that grew by leaps and bounds and revisions.

Bush, a former Navy combat pilot, is said to be anxious to climb aboard the aircraft, which is outfitted with an entire range of state- of-the-art wonders and conveniences.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - Health Secretary Louis Sullivan said Thursday that the nation should approach the next century with the goals of reducing the number of AIDS cases, curbing sex among teenagers, cutting tobacco use and promoting healthier diets and more exercise.

In releasing the nation's 298 health goals for the year 2000, Sullivan said good health is a benefit that ''should be made available and accessible'' to everyone. But he said there is a lot individuals can do to

make the 1990s the ''decade of prevention.''

''If we are to extend the benefits of good health to all our people, it is crucial that we build in our most vulnerable populations what I have called a 'culture of character' ... a way of thinking and being that actively promotes responsible behavior and the adoption of lifestyles that are maximally conducive to good health,'' said Sullivan, who is a physician.

Many of the new health goals were written for the last decade but were never met. Some of those carry-overs include a reduction in infant mortality, increased immunization against childhood diseases and a decrease in smoking.

More attention was paid in the 2000 plan to acquired immune deficiency syndrome - which was not mentioned in the goals set for 1990.

Other key goals for the next decade:

-Confine annual incidence of diagnosed AIDS cases to no more than 98,000. In 1989, there were an estimated 44,000-50,000 diagnosed cases.

-Confine prevalence of the HIV infection to no more than 800 per 100,000. In 1989, there were about 400 per 100,000.

-Number of adolescents engaging in sex should be no more than 15 percent by age 15 and no more than 40 percent by age 17. In 1988, about 27 percent of girls and 33 percent of boys had sex by age 15, and 50 percent of girls and 66 percent of boys by age 17.

-At least 50 percent of all intravenous drug abusers should be in treatment programs. In 1989, about 11 percent of opiate abusers were in treatment.

-Limit cigarette smoking to no more than 15 percent of people 20 and older. In 1987, 29 percent smoked.

-Reduce the initiation of cigarette smoking by children and youth so that no more than 15 percent have become regular smokers by age 20. In 1987, 30 percent of youth had become regular smokers by ages 20-24.

-Establish tobacco-free environments and include tobacco-use prevention programs in schools; increase to at least 75 percent the number of smoke-free areas in the workplace.

-Eliminate or severely restrict all forms of tobacco product advertising and promotion directed at children under 18.

-Reduce deaths by alcohol-related motor vehicle crashes to no more than 8.5 per 100,000 people. In 1987, there were 9.7 deaths per 100,000 people.

-Reduce drug-related deaths to no more than three per 100,000. In 1987, there were 3.8 per 100,000.

-Reduce dietary fat intake to an average of 30 percent of calories or less and average saturated fat intake to less than 10 percent of calories for people older than 2.

-Increase complex carbohydrate and fiber-containing foods to five or more daily servings for vegetables and fruits, and to six or more daily servings for grain products.

-Increase calcium intake so at least 50 percent of youth and 50 percent of pregnant and lactating women consume three or more daily servings of calcium-rich foods; at least 50 percent of adults over age 25 should have two or more daily servings.

-Decrease salt and sodium intake so at least 65 percent of cooks at home prepare food without adding salt, at least 80 percent avoid using salt at the table and at least 40 percent regularly purchase low-sodium foods.

-At least 90 percent of restaurants and institutional food service operations offer identifiable low-fat, low-calorie food choices.

-No more than 20 percent of people older than 20 should be overweight and no more than 15 percent of adolescents.

-At least 30 percent of people older than 6 should engage in light to moderate physical activity for at least 30 minutes a day. At least 20 percent of people 18 and older, and 75 percent of kids ages 6-17, should engage in vigorous exercise.

-Reduce heart disease deaths to no more than 100 per 100,000. In 1987, there were 135 deaths per 100,000.

-Slow the rise in lung cancer deaths to no more than 42 per 100,000. In 1987, there were 47.9 per 100,000.

-Reduce number of homicides to no more than 7.2 per 100,000. For black men the 1987 homicide rate was 90.5 per 100,000 and the 2000 goal for that group is 72.4.

-Reduce infant mortality rate to no more than 7 per 1,000 live births. The 1989 rate was 9.7.

-Reduce low-birth weight babies to no more than 5 percent of live births

and very low birth weight babies to no more than 1 percent of live births. In 1987, the rates were 6.9 percent and 1.2 percent, respectively.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - The State Department says it's investigating a report that an American man was shot and wounded by Iraqi soldiers while trying to avoid capture in the capital of occupied Kuwait. NO word on when the reported shooting took place, or how badly the man was wounded. Asked if the agency had confirmed the shooting, a State Department official who did NOT give her name, replied- ''Yes.'' But State Department spokesman Tom Daugherty later said the agency had NOT independently confirmed the incident.

The shuttle Columbia was to have blasted off shortly from Cape Canaveral, Florida, on a long-delayed astronomy mission. Instead, the spaceship will remain sitting on the launch-pad as NASA engineers drain its fuel tank... looking for a hydrogen leak. The leak into the shuttle's engine room forced officials to scrub the mission- at least temporarily- less than eight hours before launch.

The prime ministers of North and South Korea met for a second day Thursday behind closed doors at a hotel in Seoul to discuss proposals to peacefully unify their countries after 45 years. Dissident student leaders say they'll organize a march to the hotel later in the day to express their ''anti-U-S and anti-nuclear arms reduction'' view. Police say the planned march is illegal and will be blocked.

Canadian Indian Affairs Minister Tom Siddon emerged from a meeting with Indian leaders in Ottawa Wednesday with a possible solution to a nearly two-month-old land dispute over an ancient Mohawk burial ground. Siddon says one solution might involve asking the armed forces to move back from a alchohol treatment center at a reserve south of Montreal. An estimated 50 Mohawks are holed up in the center... refusing to disarm.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	76	60	.560	-	42-24	34-36	7-3	L-3
Toronto	71	66	.518	5 1/2	34-34	36-32	5-5	W-1
Detroit	66	71	.482	11 1/2	34-36	32-35	7-3	L-1
Milwaukee	64	72	.470	12	32-37	32-35	7-3	W-1
Baltimore	60	75	.444	15 1/2	29-36	31-39	1-9	L-6

Cleveland	60	76	.441	16 1/2	33-36	27-40	1-9	L-1
New York	57	78	.422	18 1/2	31-33	26-45	5-5	W-1
West								
Oakland	86	50	.632	-	44-24	42-26	7-3	W-4
Chicago	79	56	.585	6 1/2	41-29	38-27	6-4	W-3
Texas	69	67	.507	17	39-29	30-38	4-6	W-1
California	68	68	.500	18	36-32	32-36	7-3	L-1
Seattle	68	69	.496	18 1/2	36-36	32-33	6-4	W-3
Kansas City	66	70	.485	20	40-29	26-41	3-7	L-3
Minnesota	63	75	.456	24	33-36	30-39	6-4	L-1

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	80	56	.588	-	42-27	39-29	6-4	W-5
New York	77	58	.570	2 1/2	46-22	31-37	7-3	L-3
Montreal	71	64	.526	8 1/2	39-28	32-36	6-4	W-1
Chicago	63	72	.467	16 1/2	32-36	31-36	3-7	L-1
Philadel.	63	72	.467	16 1/2	33-31	31-40	5-5	W-1
St. Louis	61	75	.449	19	31-40	30-35	3-7	L-1
West								
Cincinnati	78	57	.578	-	38-26	40-31	6-4	W-1
Los Angeles	71	65	.522	7 1/2	39-30	32-35	5-5	L-3
San Fran.	69	67	.507	9 1/2	36-29	33-38	3-7	L-1
Houston	62	74	.456	16 1/2	40-27	22-47	7-3	W-2
San Diego	62	73	.459	16 1/2	33-37	28-37	2-8	W-1
Atlanta	56	80	.412	22 1/2	33-38	23-42	8-2	W-6

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BEIJING (SEPT. 6) UPI - Deposed Communist Party leader Zhao Ziyang has been seen in public for the first time since his ouster after the crushing of the democracy movement last year, playing golf on a course outside Beijing, Japanese sources said Thursday.

Zhao, 71, an avid golfer, played a round with his wife Tuesday morning at the Beijing International Golf Course north of the city near the site of the Ming Tombs, according to Japanese diplomats and officials at the Japanese-managed course.

Beijing has been abuzz in recent months with rumors, first fanned and then

denied by the government, that Zhao was making a comeback and might even resume an official post. But none of those has been confirmed and party sources have dismissed them as unlikely.

There have been no confirmed sightings of Zhao, who has reportedly spent most of the past year at a courtyard house in Beijing, since he was dismissed from all official posts in June 1989 after Chinese troops suppressed the democracy movement.

But early Tuesday, a Japanese diplomat playing golf with a visiting member of the Japanese Parliament said his party observed ''a VIP surrounded by bodyguards'' on the course's first hole.

''We couldn't see who it was, but later the managers told us it was Mr. Zhao and Mrs. Zhao,'' the diplomat said. ''We are satisfied it was them.''

Other sources gave a similar account. They indicated it was the first time Zhao had been seen on the course since his ouster, although he had regularly played it before the spring 1989 unrest.

When he was ousted, the government charged Zhao with ''supporting the turmoil and splitting the party'' for his moderate stance toward the six weeks of student-led protests and his refusal to go along with using deadly force against demonstrators.

Premier Li Peng last month denied reports that Zhao had met with senior leader Deng Xiaoping and might be reinstated. However, despite more than a year of investigation, the party has still not brought formal charges against Zhao, expelled him or settled his case, indicating continuing disagreement.

Hong Kong newspapers have reported in the past week that Zhao's fate may be decided at a meeting in October of the party's Central Committee, and that he is likely to retain his membership in the party.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Downing dh	4	1	1	0	Kelly cf	4	0	0	0
Ray 2b	4	0	1	1	Sax 2b	4	0	1	0
Winfield rf	3	0	0	0	Maas 1b	3	1	0	0
Parrish c	4	0	0	0	Balboni dh	4	0	0	0
Bichette lf	4	0	2	0	Barfield rf	3	1	2	2
Polonia pr	0	0	0	0	Leyritz lf	4	0	1	0

White cf	3	0	0	0	Azocar lf	0	0	0	0
Schu 1b	4	0	0	0	Velarde 3b	3	0	1	0
Howell 3b	2	0	0	0	Geren c	3	0	0	0
Coachman ph	1	0	0	0	Espinoza ss	3	0	1	0
Anderson ss	2	0	1	0					
Totals	31	1	5	1	Totals	31	2	6	2

California 100 000 000- 1
New York 000 000 02x- 2

E-Anderson, Velarde, Espinoza. DP-New York 1. LOB-California 7, New York 7.
2B-Bichette. 3B-Downing. HR-Barfield (21). S-Anderson, White.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Abbott	7 1-3	5	1	1	2	9
Harvey (L 3-3)	2-3	1	1	1	0	1
New York						
La Point (W 7-10)	8 1-3	5	1	1	2	1
Righetti (S 30)	2-3	0	0	0	0	0

T-2:54. A-23,010.

Umpires-Home, Welke; 1b, Coble; 3b, Evans.

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
RHenderson l	3	1	2	0	JoReed ss	4	0	0	0
Lewis lf	1	0	0	0	Quintana 1b	3	0	1	0
McGee cf	5	0	0	0	Cooper Ph	1	0	0	0
Jennings rf	3	2	2	2	Boggs 3b	4	0	0	0
Blanknshp rf	1	1	1	0	Burks Cf	3	0	0	0
Baines dh	3	1	2	2	Plantier ph	0	0	0	0
Steinbach dh	1	1	0	0	Kutcher pr	0	0	0	0
Lansford 3b	5	1	1	1	Greenwell lf	3	0	1	0
Bordick 3b	0	0	0	0	Heep ph	1	0	0	0
McGwire 1b	5	2	3	4	Brunansky rf	3	0	1	0
Hassey c	5	0	1	0	Marshall dh	3	0	1	0
Randolph 2b	4	0	1	0	Pena c	3	0	0	0
Gallego ss	4	1	2	0	Barrett 2b	3	0	1	0
Totals	40	10	15	9	Totals	31	0	5	0

Oakland 004 011 004 - 10
Boston 000 000 000 - 0

E-Harris, Murphy, JoReed. DP-Oakland 1, Boston 3. LOB-Oakland 10, Boston 5.

2B-Randolph, Brunansky, McGwire, Jennings, Gallego. 3B-Greenwell.
HR-McGwire (34), Jennings (2). S-Gallego. SF-Jennings.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Welch (W 23-5)	8	5	0	0	0	4
Chitren	1	0	0	0	1	1
Boston						
Harris (L 12-6)	5	10	6	6	4	3
Irvine	3	1	0	0	1	2
Murphy	1-3	4	4	2	0	0
Gardner	2-3	0	0	0	0	1

Harris pitched to two batters in the 6th inning.

PB-Pena.

Umpires: Home, Shulock; 1b, Merrill; 2b, McClelland; 3b, Denkinger.

T-2:49. A-33,156.

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CARMEL, Calif. (SEPT. 6) UPI - The Pebble Beach Co., owner of four world-class golf courses and the scenic 17-mile drive on the Monterey Peninsula, announced Wednesday the sale of its properties to an American subsidiary of a Japanese development company.

Real estate experts estimated the deal to be worth between $780 milliion and $1 billion.

The buyer was Ben Hogan Properties, a Fort Worth, Texas, company owned by Japan's Cosmo World Co., headed by golf course developer Minoru Isutani, which has built more than 15 golf course in Japan, as well as projects in Europe and the United States.

Bran Fanning, president of American International Golf Resorts of Greenbrae, Calif., said he thinks the new owners may make some of the golf courses private and sell memberships both in the United States and Japan.

''Memberships in Japanese golf clubs often sell for more than $1 million each, and memberships of $60,000 each in Japan could reap handsome profits '' he said.

Pebble Beach President Tom Oliver said in a statement: ''We are excited

about this new alliance. Our combined decades of experience will assure that Pebble Beach will remain among the world's finest golfing resorts.''

Speculation about the deal has been rampant for months, but Ben Hogan's purchase of the entire company surprised many observers. It had been believed the Japanese firm would buy only 49 percent of Pebble Beach Co. for about $450 million and would jointly manage the property for at least three years with the Los Angeles-based partnership that has owned the famous property since 1983 - Miller, Klutznick, Davis & Gray.

The old owners reportedly had been looking for outside investors to help pay off debt and finance new construction before Monterey County, now in the fourth year of a drought, limits future develoment.

Ernest Morishita, the county administrator, said any benefits Japanese ownership might bring in the form of extra tax revenues will probably be outweighed by extra demands on the county's roads and water supply.

Marvin Davis, who acquired Pebble Beach along with other partners as part of his acquisition of 20th Century Fox, could not be reached for comment on what he plans to do with the proceeds.

Isutani has been a controversial figure in Japan where some members of his golf clubs accused him of selling more than 10 times the number of memberships than agreed and of reneging on other promises.

Isutani has also been criticized for his relationship with former NTT Corp. Chairman Hisashi Shinto, who is being tried for political bribery in a stock scandal. The Las Vegas Sun reported last month that Isutani's application for a gaming license may be rejected because of his association with Shinto.

Included in the deal were Del Monte Lodge and the golf course at Pebble Beach, the inn and golf course at Spanish Bay, Spyglass Hill Golf Course, the Del Monte Golf Course in Monterey, the undeveloped Old Capitol site in Monterey, and undeveloped properties in Pebble Beach, an uncorporated area with 5,300 residents.

The sale adds Pebble Beach, one of the half-dozen most famous courses in America, to a growing list of world-class resorts acquired by the Japanese. Another Japanese investment firm recently bought the famed Riviera Country Club in Los Angeles, where Isutani plans to build the Los Angeles International Golf Course in the San Fernando Valley.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

First Game

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Miller cf	3	0	1	0	Redus 1b	4	1	1	0
Herr 2b	4	0	0	0	Bell ss	4	0	0	0
Jefferies 3b	3	0	0	0	Van Slyke cf	4	0	1	0
Strawberry rf	3	0	0	0	Bonilla rf	4	0	1	0
McReynlds lf	3	0	0	0	Bonds lf	3	0	1	1
Johnson ss	3	0	0	0	King 3b	4	0	1	0
Teufel 1b	3	0	0	0	Lind 2b	4	0	0	0
O'Brien c	3	0	0	0	La Valliere c	2	0	2	0
Viola p	2	0	0	0	Smith p	4	0	1	0
Tabler ph	1	0	0	0					
Franco p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	28	0	1	0	Totals	33	1	8	1

New York	000 000 000- 0
Pittsburgh	000 000 001- 1

E-Teufel, O'Brien. LOB-New York 2, Pittsburgh 15. 2B-La Valliere, Smith.
S- Van Slyke.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Viola	8	6	0	0	5	5
Franco (L 4-1)	1-3	2	1	1	1	0
Pittsburgh						
Smith (W 10-7)	9	1	0	0	1	7

HBP-by Viola (Bonds). WP-Viola. T- 2:32.

Umpires-Home, Wendelstedt; 1b, West; 2b, Hallion; 3b, Marsh.

Second Game

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Herr 2b	3	0	1	0	Reynolds cf	4	0	1	0
Magadan 1b	4	0	2	0	Bell ss	3	1	0	0
Jefferies 3b	4	0	1	0	King 3b	4	2	3	3
Strawberry rf	3	1	1	1	Bonilla rf	4	0	1	0
McReynlds lf	4	0	0	0	Bonds lf	3	0	0	0
Johnson ss	4	0	0	0	Martinez 1b	2	0	1	0
Boston cf	2	0	0	0	Ryal ph	1	0	0	0
Miller cf	1	0	0	0	Bream 1b	0	0	0	0
O'Malley ph	1	0	0	0	Slaught c	3	0	0	0

O'Brien c	3	0	1	0	Lind 2b	3	0	1	0
Sasser ph	1	0	0	0	Heaton p	2	0	0	0
Ojeda p	1	0	1	0	Kipper p	1	0	1	0
Reed ph	1	0	0	0	Power p	0	0	0	0
Darling p	0	0	0	0					
Teufel ph	1	0	0	0					
Pena p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	33	1	7	1	Totals	30	3	8	3

New York 000 100 000- 1
Pittsburgh 102 000 00x- 3

DP-New York 1. LOB-New York 7, Pittsburgh 6. 2B-Ojeda, Magadan, O'Brien, King. HR-King 2 (12), Strawberry (31).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Ojeda (L 7-6)	4	6	3	3	2	0
Darling	2	0	0	0	0	1
Pena	2	2	0	0	1	3
Pittsburgh						
Heaton (W 12-8)	5	5	1	1	0	1
Kipper	2 2-3	2	0	0	2	2
Power (S 7)	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0

T-2:34. A-49,793.

Umpires-Home, West; 1b, Hallion; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Wendelstedt.

HOUSTON

	ab	r	h	bi
Yelding cf	5	1	1	0
Ramirez ss	5	0	0	0
Stubbs lf	5	0	1	1
Davis 1b	2	1	1	1
Caminiti 3b	3	0	0	0
Simms ph	1	0	0	0
Davidson rf	4	0	3	0
Biggio c	4	0	1	0
Rohde 2b	4	0	0	0
Clancy p	0	0	0	0
Scott p	3	0	1	0
Candaele 2b	1	0	1	0
Totals	37	2	9	2

SAN DIEGO

	ab	r	h	bi
Alomar 2b	3	1	3	2
Templeton ss	2	0	0	1
Gwynn rf	4	0	0	0
JaClark 1b	4	0	0	0
Carter cf	4	1	2	1
Santiago c	4	1	1	0
Lynn lf	3	0	0	0
Pagliarulo 3b	3	1	2	1
Rasmussen p	3	1	1	0
Lefferts p	0	0	0	0
Totals	30	5	9	5

Houston 011 000 000- 2

San Diego 030 000 20x- 5

E-Pagliarulo. DP-Houston 1. LOB- Houston 12, San Diego 4. 2B-Alomar, Yelding, Pagliarulo, Stubbs, Rasmussen. 3B-Santiago, Alomar. HR-Davis (20), Carter (22). S-Templeton 2.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Scott (L 9-13)	7	9	5	5	1	2
Clancy	1	0	0	0	0	2
San Diego						
Rasmussen (W 9-13)	8	8	2	2	3	5
Lefferts (S 23)	1	1	0	0	1	2

T-2:27. A-27,239.

Umpires-Home, Froemming; 1b, Pulli; 2b, Rippley; 3b, Darling.

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Larkin ss	5	0	1	1	Butler cf	3	0	0	0
Doran 2b	3	1	2	0	Litton 2b	4	1	2	1
O'Neill rf	4	0	1	1	Clark 1b	4	0	1	0
Davis lf	5	0	1	0	Mitchell lf	5	0	0	0
Morris 1b	5	3	3	1	Williams 3b	3	0	1	1
Sabo 3b	5	1	3	1	Bass rf	4	0	0	0
Reed c	4	0	2	0	Carter c	3	1	2	1
Winnnghm cf	4	0	1	1	Garrelts pr	0	0	0	0
Charlton p	3	0	0	0	Manwaring c	0	0	0	0
Quinones ph	1	0	0	0	Kennedy c	1	0	0	0
Dibble p	0	0	0	0	Benjamin ss	3	0	1	0
					Riles ss	1	0	0	0
					Robinson p	2	0	0	0
					Bathe ph	1	0	0	0
					Kingery pr	0	0	0	0
					O'Neal p	0	0	0	0
					Oliveras p	0	0	0	0
					Dewey p	0	0	0	0
					Uribe ph	1	1	1	0
Totals	39	5	14	5	Totals	35	3	8	3

Cincinnati 010 011 020- 5
San Francisco 100 100 001- 3

E-Doran, Sabo. DP-Cincinnati 2, San Francisco 1. LOB-Cincinnati 10, San Francisco 10. 2B-Litton 2, Morris 2, Winningham, Doran 2, Reed, Sabo 2,

Uribe, Clark. HR-Carter (9), Morris (7). SF- Litton.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Charlton (W 11-7)	7	6	2	2	3	3
Dibble (S 10)	2	2	1	1	0	2
San Francisco						
Robinson (L 10-5)	6	9	3	3	2	3
O'Neal	1	3	2	2	1	1
Oliveras	1	1	0	0	0	0
Dewey	1	1	0	0	0	0

O'Neal pitched to 3 batters in the 8th.

HBP-by Charlton (Butler). Balk-O'Neal. T-2:58. A-22,071.

Umpires-Home, Quick; 1b, Rennert; 2b, Bonin; 3b, Tata.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
McDowell lf	5	1	1	1	Harris 2b	3	0	0	0
Whitt c	4	1	1	0	Javier cf	4	0	0	0
Gant cf	4	1	2	1	Daniels lf	4	0	0	0
Justice rf	3	2	2	1	Gonzalez lf	0	0	0	0
Gregg 1b	4	0	2	0	Murray 1b	3	1	2	0
Presley 3b	4	0	1	1	Brooks rf	4	1	1	2
Lemke 2b	0	0	0	0	Scioscia c	4	0	1	0
Blauser 2b	4	1	1	1	Sharpersn 3b	4	0	2	0
Thomas ss	4	0	0	0	Griffin ss	2	0	1	0
Smoltz p	4	0	0	0	Gibson ph	0	0	0	0
Mercker p	0	0	0	0	Offerman ss	1	0	0	0
					Morgan p	1	0	0	0
					Gwynn ph	1	0	0	0
					Holmes p	0	0	0	0
					Fletcher ph	1	0	0	0
					Gott p	0	0	0	0
					Poole p	0	0	0	0
					Hatcher ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	36	6	10	5	Totals	33	2	7	2

Atlanta	201 100 020- 6
Los Angeles	000 000 002- 2

E-Murray. DP-Atlanta 1. LOB-Atlanta 4, Los Angeles 7. 2B-Sharperson, Whitt, Murray. HR-McDowell (7), Justice (23), Gant (27), Blauser (6), Brooks (18). SB-Gregg (4), Murray (6), Griffin (6).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Smoltz (W 13-9)	8 1-3	7	2	2	3	5
Mercker	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles						
Morgan (L 10-13)	5	8	4	4	0	1
Holmes	2	0	0	0	0	2
Gott	1	2	2	2	1	1
Poole	1	0	0	0	0	1

WP-Morgan, Smoltz, Gott. T-2:26. A-27, 148.

Umpires-Home, Gregg; 1b, Crawford; 2b, Harvey; 3b, Demuth.

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#90249u0342 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - At least the Boston Red Sox will have a month to recover. It may take that long.

The Red Sox suffered their third straight setback to the Oakland Athletics Wednesday night, a 10-0 pasting that gave the A's a sweep of the three-game series between the American League's divisional leaders.

If this was a preview of the American League Championship Series, which begins Oct. 6, they can start printing up World Series tickets in the Bay Area now.

''They took it to us - beat us in every facet of the game,'' Boston's Tom Brunansky said. ''We weren't really in any of the ballgames.''

No, they weren't.

The Red Sox, who entered the three-game set riding a 10-game winning streak, were outscored 25-7 by the A's and never led in any game.

Bob Welch won his major league-leading 23rd game and Mark McGwire belted a two-run homer and drove in four runs to lead the A's, who have won four straight and lead the Chicago White Sox by 6 1-2 games in the AL West.

Welch allowed five hits and struck out four over eight innings to raise his record to 23-5, including 10-2 in his last 12 starts.

The right-hander said the A's were well aware of a potential playoff matchup ith the Red Sox.

''No doubt it's not just like any other series, when you get the feeling you could possible play this club in the playoffs,'' said Welch. ''We listen to what people say.''

Oakland completed its first season-series win (4-2) over the Red Sox in Boston since 1973.

The Red Sox lead the Toronto Blue Jays by 5 1-2 games in the AL East.

''I've been on the other side of this last year at about this time,'' Oakland Manager Tony La Russa said, referring to a Sox sweep of the A's late last season. ''They were red-hot so at some point the law ''

Harold Baines had a two-run single in the third and McGwire capped the inning with his 34th homer of the season.

McGwire added a two-run double in Oakland's four-run ninth inning.

Rookie Doug Jennings, subbing for Jose Canseco, added a solo homer in the fifth inning and contributed a sacrifice fly in the sixth.

Greg Harris, 12-6, was battered for six runs and 10 hits in five- plus innings.

Rickey Henderson scored his 100th run of the season on Baines' single in the third, marking the ninth time Henderson has reached the plateau in his career.

Elsewhere in the American League: Toronto downed Detroit 7-3, Chicago blanked Kansas City 3-0, Seattle tripped Baltimore 9-5, New York edged California 2-1 and Texas trimmed Cleveland 3-2.

In the National League it was: Pittsburgh sweeping a double-header from New York 1-0 and 3-1; Philadelphia 4, Chicago 1; Montreal 6, St. Louis 2; San Diego 5, Houston 2; Cincinnati 5, San Francisco 3; and Atlanta 6, Los Angeles 2.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Blue Jays 7, Detroit 3

At Detroit, Rance Mulliniks and Fred McGriff hit solo homers to offset Cecil Fielder's 44th homer to lead Toronto. Rob Ducey had three hits, including a two-run double for Toronto. David Wells, 10-4, allowed four hits in seven innings. Clay Parker fell to 3-2.

White Sox 3, Royals 0

At Chicago, Greg Hibbard recorded his first career shutout with a three-hitter and Robin Ventura broke a scoreless tie with a two-run single in the eighth inning to help the White Sox complete a three-game sweep and keep pace with Oakland. Hibbard, 12-8, walked five and struck out six. Kansas City's Mel Stottlemyre Jr. pitched seven innings of one- hit ball in his first major league start. Steve Farr, 10-6, was the loser.

Mariners 9, Orioles 5

At Baltimore, Harold Reynolds hit his first career grand slam in the ninth inning to power the Mariners. Reynolds hit Kevin Hickey's first pitch into the left-field bleachers for his fourth home run of the year. Reynolds added a pair of doubles to pace the Mariners' 17-hit attack. Keith Comstock improved to 7-3, while Hickey dropped to 1-3.

Yankees 2, Angels 1

At New York, Jesse Barfield hit a two-run homer in the eighth inning to lift New York and snapping the Yankees' five-game losing streak. Bryan Harvey, 3-3, issued a one-out walk to Kevin Maas and one out later, Barfield hit his 21st homer of the season. Dave LaPoint, 7- 10, allowed five hits in 8 1-3 innings and Dave Righetti got his 30th save.

Brewers 7, Twins 4

At Milwaukee, Paul Molitor capped a five-run eighth inning with a three-run homer to rally the Brewers. Ron Robinson, 9-3, allowed three runs - two earned - on 11 hits. Robinson, 5-0 in his last seven starts, struck out three and walked none. Gary Wayne, 0-1, was the loser.

Rangers 3, Indians 2

At Arlington, Texas, Kevin Reimer's pinch-hit single with one out in the ninth inning scored Gary Pettis from second base to cap a two-run rally and lift the Rangers. Kenny Rogers, 6-5, earned the win despite blowing a save opportunity when he gave up two runs in the ninth. Reliever Doug Jones, 4-5, took the loss.

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#90249u0384 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - Hot weather baked the South while the Midwest and northern Plains were hit by rain, lightning and floods Thursday with South Dakota getting 1 1/2 inches of rain in an hour.

Summer weather remained in the nation's midsection with temperatures

topping 100 degrees in some cities.

Scattered thunderstorms brought some relief to Alabama and Mississippi, but high pressure kept temperatures near the top of the thermometer in most of the southern states.

Flash flood warnings were issued Thursday for parts of northern Minnesota as thunderstorms with heavy rains washed out roads and flooded basements.

The floods occurred across the northern part of the state and were at their worst in the northeastern corner, near Duluth.

Severe weather hit other states bordering on the Great Lakes as heavy thunderstorms moved across northern and central Lake Michigan carrying vivid lightning and gusty winds.

Storms moved across the lake from the Wisconsin coast into Michigan and the National Weather Service warned boaters from Frankfort, Mich., to Charlevoix, Mich., and those in Green Bay, Wis., to seek safe harbor.

Storms also moved across western South Dakota and Nebraska, carrying winds that gusted to 47 mph and dumping 1 1/2 inches of rain on Rapid City Regional Airport in an hour.

Thunderstorms in Arizona, Utah and Iadaho waned, and warm sunny days dominated in the remainder of the West where there was little change in the weather.

Thickening clouds pushed into the Northeast from western Pennsylvania early Thursday, with winds from the south bringing increasing humidity.

Western Pennsylvania had high humidity with areas of fog and drizzle, and in the eastern portions of the state skies were cloudy, but dry.

Clouds and some fog were reported in western New York, but temperatures remained warm.

Rain wasn't expected in the New England region until Friday, with comfortable temperatures ranging from the mid-70s to around 80 Thursday.

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#90249u0388 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - A Canadian tourist was shot and wounded during a wild shootout in Brooklyn involving alleged crack dealers, three would- be robbers and police, authorities said Thursday.

A livery cab driver - also caught by accident in the melee - was bitten by

one suspect who tried to commandeer the vehicle, said a spokeswoman for police, Sgt. Mary Wrensen.

The suspect, Jesus Cruz, 37, of Brooklyn, who was charged with attempted murder, also was wounded in the shootout.

It was the second incident of violence involving a tourist this week. On Sunday night, a young Utah man was stabbed and killed trying to defend his parents from muggers in a Manhattan subway.

The shootout began at 11:20 p.m. Wednesday in the violent East New York section of Brooklyn. Wrensen said Cruz and two others exchanged gunfire with alleged crack dealers who ''they were possibly attempting to rob,'' when three police officers happened on the scene.

Cruz jumped into his car to get away, and the vehicle crashed into an auto driven by tourist Carol Espirit, 27, of Toronto, who was visiting her Brooklyn relatives, Wrensen said.

Cruz took over Espirit's car and with the tourist in the back seat, crashed the car into two other parked cars - all the while continuing his shootout with police, Wrensen said.

''There was pandemonium on the street,'' Wrensen said.

Cruz finally abandoned Espirit's car, leaving her suffering a gunshot wound to the buttocks, and jumped into a livery cab driven by Guilvio Bejarau, 28.

''He's still firing at police, and when the driver tries to push him away with his arm, Cruz bit him,'' Wrensen said.

At that point, police apprehended Cruz, after he had fired a total of 15 rounds. Cruz himself was hit in the left thumb, left indez finger and right ankle.

Cruz was reported in stable condition at Brookdale, where the livery driver was treated and released.

Espirit also was reported in stable condition at Brookdale. It wasn't clear whose bullet hit the tourist.

One pellet gun was recovered at the scene, Wrensen said.

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#90249u0492 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 6) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, seeking to end

nearly five decades of strained relations between Moscow and Tokyo, announced Thursday his intention to visit Japan in April 1991, a trip which would make him the first Soviet leader to set foot in Japan.

Gorbachev made his plans known in a message delivered to Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu by Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

Gorbachev formally announced the long-anticipated visit despite the failure of Kaifu and Shevardnadze to settle a 45-year territorial dispute that has blocked friendly relations between the two nations.

''Compared to the fundamental changes taking place in the rest of the world, the relationship between Japan and the Soviet Union has seen little progress,'' Gorbachev said in his message, according to Japanese officials.

''To advance this relationship, I want to visit Japan in 1991. I hope to visit in April,'' Gorbachev said.

The Soviet Union could benefit greatly from Japanese economic and technical assistance, especially in the development of the resource-rich Soviet Far East.

But Japan has refused to give aid to Gorbachev because of the Soviet Union's refusal to return four small islands off the northern coast of Japan which the Soviets occupied in the closing days of World War II.

The Soviets fear giving back the islands, which have little economic value would set a dangerous precedent in Moscow's continuing struggle to hold the Soviet republic together.

The Soviet Union seized the southernmost islands in the Kuril chain at the end of World War II and expelled the 17,000 Japanese who lived there.

Japan has been demanding the return of the islands since the end of the war. But the Soviets say Japan lost all rights to the territories when it gave up claims to the Kuril Islands in the 1951 San Francisco Peace Treaty it signed with the United States.

Kaifu said he hopes Gorbachev's visit will lead to a resolution of the island issue, which has prevented the two countries from signing a peace treaty ending World War II hostilities.

''When Gorbachev visits, an unavoidable issue will be the return of the four islands and the signing of the peace treaty,'' Kaifu said. ''We want to find the path toward a resolution.''

Japanese officials said no real progress was made on the island issue in two days of talks with Shevardnadze.

''The Soviet attitude on the return of the islands is softer than before, but they still have not changed their basic stance,'' said a senior Japanese Foreign Ministry official.

Shevardnadze said his government is giving due attention to solving the problem, and the Japanese viewed this statement as a step forward because of Moscow's earlier reluctance to admit a problem even existed.

Shevardnadze said resolving the problem will take a long time and urged Japan to move relations forward in other areas while discussion on the territorial dispute continue.

Shevardnadze and Japan Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama signed several agreements, including pledges to begin discussions on expanding Japanese technical assistance to the Soviet Union, aiding the victims of the Chernobyl nuclear power plant disaster and increasing trade and cultural exchanges.

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#90249u0493 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 6) UPI - Imported car sales in Japan in August surged 10.2 percent over a year ago to 15,435 units, posting the 80th consecutive year-on-year rise since January 1984 and setting a record for the month of August, the Japan Automobile Importers' Association reported Thursday.

The association said passenger cars accounted for 15,177 units, up 9.6 percent over a year ago.

West German cars continued to dominate the market despite a 2.2 percent year-to-year fall in their sales, accounting for 8,786 units or 56.9 percent of the total sales, the association said.

Sales of U.S.-made cars surged 36.9 percent to 2,213 units while those of British cars jumped 43.0 percent to 1,676 units, the association said.

Sales of French and Italian cars accounted for 1,032 units and 522 units, up 35.4 percent and 43.4 percent, respectively, the association said.

Swedish cars accounted for 1,056 units, up 17.5 percent, it said.

Sales of Australian and South Korean cars fell 33.3 percent and 43.6 percent, respectively, to 12 units and 84 units, the association said.

The association said imported car sales for the first eight month of this year totaled 149,358 units, up 32.6 percent.

Despite the steady increase in imported car sales in Japan, their market share stood at a modest 4.3 percent, according to figures released by the Japan Automobile Dealers' Association.

The association said sales of Japanese and imported cars in August totaled 356,313 units, up 11.5 percent over a year ago. Sales of passenger cars grew 10.0 percent to 252,033 units while those of trucks and buses totaled 102,533 units and 1,747 units, up 15.4 percent and 17.5 percent, respectively, it said.

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#90249u0595 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - Iraq's foreign minister says he and Soviet President Gorbachev had a ''constructive, cordial and frank exchange of views'' yesterday in Moscow. But Tariq Aziz says Baghdad and the Kremlin have ''different views'' of the situation in the Persian Gulf. He also says Iraq requested yesterday's meeting so he could brief Gorbachev on the Iraqi position before the Bush-Gorbachev summit in Helsinki on Sunday.

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Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Taha Ramadan arrived in Beijing today for talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. An Iraqi diplomat says the visit is expected to last a day or two. Chinese sources say Ramadan is to meet this afternoon with the Chinese Vice Premier. He also might meet with Premier Li Peng. China strongly hinted it might send emergency humanitarian aid to Iraq.

President Bush says ''there are clear signs of progress'' in the war on drugs, even though ''the crisis is far from over.'' Bush made the comments yesterday as he marked the first anniversary of his initiative against illegal drug use. He helped release a rosy report showing drug use has dropped. But other figures show many cities, including Washington, D-C, with record murder rates possibly linked to drugs.

A Texas firm owned by Japan's Cosmo World Company reportedly has bought the properties of the Pebble Beach Company, owner of the famed Pebble Beach golf course in California. The Pebble Beach Company announced the sale yesterday. Real estate experts estimate the deal is worth up to one-BILLION dollars. A U-S golf expert says Japanese golf club memberships often sell for more than one-Million dollars.

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#90249u0623 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - Congressional budget negotiators are suggesting ending or limiting tax deductions for charitable gifts, and the nation's volunteer

community is NOT happy about it. Leaders of the volunteer sector say the proposal could cost their groups hundreds of Millions of dollars. Americans gave 96-BILLION dollars to charities in 1989, at a cost to the government of 13-BILLION dollars, which is the tax deduction individuals claimed on that amount.

A consumer group has some unsettling things to say about school lunches. Public Voice for Food and Health Policy released a report saying the school lunch menus Millions of children face each day ''are still the old, traditionally high-fat variety.'' The study also found that, NO matter where they get their lunch, students eat too much fat.

Hot weather bakes the South again today, and rain and floods hit the Midwest and northern Plains. Storms in western South Dakota and Nebraska carried winds gusting to 47 miles-an-hour and dumped one and one-half inches of rain at Rapid City's airport in one hour. In the South, thunderstorms brought relief from the heat to Alabama and Mississippi, but temperatures were high in most southern states.

Would-be thieves put a phony night deposit box outside a bank in Hartford, Connecticut, and gullible bank customers dumped thousands of dollars into it before some of them got suspicious. Police, tipped off by suspicious customers, staked out the scene but called off the surveillance after eight hours. The depositors got their money back. The would-be bandits apparently were scared away by the police presence.

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#90249u0633 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (SEPT. 6) UPI - Miss North Carolina, Scarlet Morgan, won the second round of talent competitions and Miss Florida, Dana Rinehart Dalton, won the second of three swimsuit contests in Wednesday's preliminary competition of the 1991 Miss America Pageant.

Morgan, wearing a blue velvet gown trimmed in rhinestones, sang ''Vissi D'Arte,'' winning a $1,500 scholarship in the second night of the competition.

The 50 contestants are divided into three groups and compete in talent, swimsuit, evening gown and interview competitions on three successive nights to qualify for Saturday's finals.

Miss Texas, Suzanne Lawrence, won the talent competition and Miss Colorado Karrie Mitchell, won the swimsuit contest in the first round of preliminary competition Tuesday.

Winners of the swimsuit and talent contests are announced each night but the results of the evening gown-interview competitions are kept secret

until the finals.

The 10 finalists will be announced during the nationally televised event that will feature the return of former host Bert Parks.

Gary Collins and Miss America 1979 Phyllis George will co-host the event, which culminates when Miss America 1990, Debbye Turner, places the tiara on her successor.

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#90249u0655 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - U.S. businesses will increase capital spending 5.1 percent in 1990, adjusted for inflation, in the smallest gain since 3.1 percent in 1987, the Commerce Department predicted Thursday.

The forecast is based on a survey of American corporations for July and August, mailed out before the start of hostilities in the Middle East.

Seventy percent of the surveys were received prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait, and officials said it was difficult to determine what effect the military action had on the data.

In its previous estimate, based on a survey for April and May, the department's Census Bureau predicted capital spending would increase 5.5 percent this year.

''Real spending is expected to increase 5.1 percent in 1990,'' the government said. ''This expectation is based on a projected increase of 0.3 percent in (inflation) for plant and equipment from 1989 to 1990.''

The Commerce Department also said that capital spending, adjusted for inflation, advanced 0.8 percent in the second quarter of 1990 after increasing 1.6 percent in the first quarter of the year.

''It is expected to decrease 0.7 percent in the third quarter, and to increase 1.2 percent in the fourth quarter,'' the government said.

In a market letter by Mitsubishi Bank in New York, analysts said a recent survey by the credit rating agency Dun & Bradstreet ''found that the key factor explaining capital spending is the prior year's ''aining ca

''This suggests that multi-year projects are a dominant force supporting capital spending,'' the letter said. ''Hence, it is at first difficult for companies to quickly slash capital spending budgets.

''By the same token if business improves, capital spending usually lags the upturn,'' the letter said.

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#90249u0673 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

GENEVA (SEPT. 6) UPI - International relief agencies stepped up their campaign to aid thousands of foreign refugees stranded in the desert along the Jordanian-Iraqi border as they try to flee the Persian Gulf crisis.

The Austrian Red Cross sent baby food, powdered milk, 3,000 blankets and 26 large tents in an 11-ton shipment to border refugee camps Wednesday, and U.N. officials in Europe said they had raised $20 million in aid.

In Brussels, Belgium, the European Community executive agency also approved $19.5 million in new aid, to be used mostly to buy food and medicine for refugees. The EC Commission said Wednesday it would also seek approval for an additional $39 million.

''There is a desperate need for shelter, food, water, and with each day that passes, medical help,'' Barnett Baron of the Save the Children Foundation told Cable News Network regarding the plight of at least 100,000 foreigners.

Karin Saddler of the International Committee of the Red Cross in Geneva said the all-Swiss agency began bringing in supplies two weeks ago and has 25 people in the area, but said nevertheless, ''Conditions at the moment are very dramatic.''

ICRC President Cornelio Summaruga traveled to Iraq this week and was meeting with officials including Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

However, the official Iraqi News Agency indicated Aziz focused on Iraq's suffering under a U.N. economic embargo and how it was affecting Westerners held in Iraq and Kuwait as shields against attack by a U.S.-led multinational force based in the gulf.

INA said Aziz pressed the Red Cross to ''urge the countries concerned to adopt the necessary steps and provide the foreign nationals present in Iraq with food.''

The story did not refer to the refugees stranded at the border - most of them menial workers in Kuwait and Iraq whose countries are too poor to evacuate them from Jordan.

In Washington, Steve Richards, executive vice president of the American Red Cross, said, ''The International Red Cross has been working in Jordan for the past two weeks, and according to relief workers, the conditions for the new arrivals are deteriorating.''

''It is urgent that the refugees be evacuated away from the border area as soon as possible,'' he said.

The Red Cross was setting up two transit centers in Jordan's Azrak regional 60 miles east of Amman to relieve the situation at the border.

The Jordanian Red Crescent relief organization and the International League of the Red Cross were looking after 30,000 people at one camp in Azrak.

U.N. agencies, meanwhile, have raised $20 million to help the refugees, a spokesman for the U.N. Disaster Relief Organization said. UNDRO in Geneva is coordinating relief efforts for the U.N. High Commission for Refugees, UNICEF, and the World Food Program.

Much of the U.N. aid has been used to feed refugees in Jordan and provide medical care, the spokesman said, adding UNDRO also chartered a large Soviet Antonov freighter to ferry refugees from Jordan to Bangladesh.

Similar transportation was being arranged by the Organization for Migration, a non-governmental group funded by donations from various national governments. Some $11 million has been raised so far by the organization, which has used it to pay for 72 charter flights from Jordan to Sri Lanka and Bangladesh, a spokesman said.

Baron, of Save the Children, said, ''Getting people home is the next priority.''

But he noted it is believed that each Bangladeshi working in oil- rich Kuwait before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion supported 11 others back in Bangladesh. As such, he predicted the crisis will continue when the refugees get home.

''The crisis doesn't end the minute someone steps off the plane in Dhaka ...'' he said.

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#90249u0676 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - The State Department says it is investigating a report of an American citizen having been shot while trying to avoid capture in Kuwait City. But U-S officials say they doN'T have information on the seriousness of the man's injuries.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz says his talks with Soviet President Gorbachev in Moscow yesterday were helpful. But he admits differences remain over Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait.

President Bush will stump for the G-O-P today at political fund- raisers in Kansas and Florida. Aides say the president will focus attention on November's elections and re-affirm American resolve in the Persian Gulf crisis.

The president leaves Washington this morning from Andrews Air Force Base aboard the new and improved Air Force One. The modified Boeing 747 is six stories tall, has a worldwide communications system and an anti-nuclear defense shield.

Secretary of State Baker met with Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy in Washington yesterday to map out an agreement to re-start the Arab-Israeli peace process. The issue will NOT be linked to the Persian Gulf crisis.

NASA suffered another blow to its shuttle program yesterday when engineers discovered another hydrogen leak aboard the shuttle Columbia just eight hours before the spaceplane's scheduled lift-off from Cape Canaveral, Florida.

Forecasters in Miami say Tropical Storm Isidore is gaining strength in the Atlantic and could become a hurricane within 24 hours. Early this morning, Isidore was centered about 800 miles west-southwest of the Cape Verde Islands, moving west-southwest at 14 miles an hour with top winds of 60 miles an hour.

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#90249u0680 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (SEPT. 6) UPI - The world faces ''grave danger'' of aggression from a widening number of dictatorships if Iraq does not completely withdraw from Kuwait and release all hostages, NATO's top official said Thursday.

''Naked aggression cannot succeed,'' NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner said in a speech at a conference in Prague, Czechoslovakia. Copies of the speech were released in Brussels.

''This crisis is not like previous regional disputes in which the interests of only a few nations were directly at stake,'' Woerner said. ''Nor is it only, or even primarily, about oil.

''If our principal common objective - which must be the complete Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the release of all hostages - is not fulfilled, the entire international community will be exposed to grave danger,'' he said.

''Danger from the precedent of a large, powerful country cynically taking over a smaller neighbor, danger even more ominously from the ambitions

that successful aggression will undoubtedly engender in dictatorships that increasingly have access to technologies of mass destruction,'' the NATO chief said.

Woerner's trip to Czechoslovakia follows a July journey to Moscow as part of NATO's mission to expand its political role in the region. He goes to Poland next week.

Czechoslovakia implemented United Nations sanctions against Iraq, imposed an arms embargo and delayed the departure to Baghdad of a new Czechoslovak ambassador to Iraq.

''I salute the robust stance that Czechoslovakia has taken'' in the Persian Gulf crisis, Woerner said.

NATO diplomats have met almost daily since the gulf crisis began, and the alliance's 16 foreign ministers will be briefed next Monday by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker on both the gulf and next weekend Helsinki superpower summit between President George Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

The United States has used alliance meetings to lobby its allies for financial and military support in the crisis, with mixed success. Only three countries - Italy, Britain and Portugal - have agreed to a U.S. request to provide ships to help transport troops and equipment into the region.

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#90249u0690 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - The leaders of North and South Korea held their second meeting in Seoul today. The prime ministers are discussing ways to improve relations and peacefully reunify Korea following a 45-year division.

The London-based Amnesty International says hundreds of children in Brazil's cities have been shot by death squads or beaten and tortured by police. Up to seven-Million children live and work on the streets of Brazil.

A forensic dentist is helping investigators in Gainesville, Florida, search for clues in the grisly murders of five young people. He says the apartments where the students were slain are the most difficult crime scenes he has investigated.

New York City police say a Canadian tourist was shot and wounded last night during a wild shoot-out in Brooklyn involving suspected crack dealers, three would-be robbers and police. The tourist is reported to be hospitalized in stable condition. .

The family of another tourist slain while protecting his parents from subway muggers Sunday testified before a New York City grand jury yesterday before flying home to Utah. Eight youths accused in the crime were arraigned on murder charges.

More than six-thousand teachers in California, Michigan, Illinois, and Pennsylvania are on strike, idling at least 100-thousand students. The disputes center on salary and working conditions.

Several hundred fans turned out in Hollywood yesterday to watch blues guitar legend B-B King receive a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. King has recorded more than 50 albums and won four Grammy Awards.

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#90249u0713 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL (SEPT. 6) UPI - The prime ministers of South and North Korea ended the first round of their unprecedented talks Thursday, confirming that they still differ on how hard to push rapprochement to end the 45-year-old division of their country.

Neither side called the outcome a failure, however, and sought agreement rather than picking arguments, spokesmen for the South and the North said.

President Roh Tae-woo hoped for a summit meeting with North Korean President Kim Il-sung and wanted the message relayed to Kim.

South Korean Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon and his Northern counterpart, Yon Hyong-muk, met for two hours at the Intercontinental Hotel in Seoul for the second and last session of their talks.

The meeting ended shortly after noon but official spokesmen took several hours to appear for press briefings.

Kang urged the North to accept an eight-point draft agreement for improved relations presented by the South on Wednesday, but the North continued to emphasize political and military issues, Seoul spokesman Hong Sung-chul said.

The draft agreement proposed that both sides recognize and respect each other's political and social systems, refrain from slander and stop trying to overthrow the other's government..

It also sought efforts to realize free travel, multi-faceted exchanges and cooperation, create military trust and end the arms race and military confrontation between the two Koreas.

The North insisted that the two Koreas not seek separate membership in the United Nations, that annual Team Spirit exercises involving U.S. and South Korean forces be stopped and that Southern dissidents jailed for unauthorized visits to the North be freed, Hong said.

North Korean spokesman An Byong-su said the South continues to advocate a step-by-step approach and placed emphasis on exchanges and cooperation.

''In our view exchanges and cooperation cannot be realized in the current state of acute confrontation,'' An said. ''The basic problem is distrust. To wipe out distrust political and military issues must get priority. Accommodation of our demands will ease confrontation.''

Yon repeated the North Korean position when he and other North Korean delegates paid a call on President Roh, a presidential spokesman said.

Roh met Yon alone before meeting the other Northern officials and stressed that a South-North Korea summit meeting would be most important in laying the foundation for improved relations and cooperation, the spokesman said.

The Seoul side told the North that separate U.N. membership would not perpetuate Korea's division, the Team Spirit exercises are defensive in nature and cannot be ceased immediately and that the release of jailed dissidents is an internal affair of the South.

An, the Northern spokesman, said both sides agreed to study the U.N. membership question further. He said the North hopes to convene a meeting of experts, composed of two or three officials from each side, in a week or so.

Both Hong and An said they will call on their Red Cross officials to meet soon to push a program of visitor exchanges at an early date.

''There were not many particular agreements produced but the Seoul meeting had definite achievements,'' South spokesman Hong said. ''The two prime ministers met officially for the first time and both sides presented candid views and tried to understand each other.''

''There still are wide differences but at the same time there are many common grounds,'' An, the Northern spokesman said. ''On this basis, I don't hold any pessimistic prospects for the future. In some aspects there were progress and results.''

The North Korean delegation will return home Friday through the truce village of Panmunjom 35 miles north of Seoul.

A second round of ministerial talks will be held in the North Korean capital of Pyongyang Oct. 16-19. Subsequent meetings will take place

alternately in the two capitals on dates to be set later.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - Share prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange fell for the fourth straight session Thursday as investors remained cautious about future developments in the Gulf crisis.

The blue chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which plunged 829.30 points Wednesday, lost another 266.43 points to close at 23,811.91. The Nikkei has lost more than 1,266 points this week.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Price Index, or TOPIX, of all listed major shares fell 14.05 points to 1,846.03.

Trading was slow with turnover estimated at 380 million shares, down from 397.50 million shares Wednesday.

Brokers said the market was dominated by uncertainty over the Gulf crisis.

Elsewhere in Asia, share prices ended lower on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in a featureless session.

The key Hang Seng index dropped 6.84 points to close at 3,032.85.

Volume was extremely thin, the thinnest since January as concrns over the situation in the Middle East kept investors away from the market.

Prices closed lower in thin and featureless trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in line with drop in Tokyo.

The Straits Times Industrial Index dipped 11.47 to 1246.56.

The All Singapore Index dived 0.83 to 350.57.

The exchange recorded a turnover of 29.94 million units.

Share prices scored modest gains on the Sydney Sharemarket as investors hesitated between further weakness in Tokyo and hopes of local interest rate cuts.

The All Ordinaries Index closed up 2.3 points to 1482.1.

The All Industrials Index fell 7.1 to 2218.4, and the All Resources Index rose 8.2 to 909.7.

Turnover was only 61.7 million shares.

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#90249u0727 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
PARIS (SEPT. 6) UPI - Reza Pahlavi, son of the deposed shah of Iran, said in an interview published Thursday that reconciliation between Iran and Iraq would create a ''Machiavellian couple'' and destabilize the Middle ''uld c

The son of the late Iranian leader condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait in the interview with the Roman Catholic newspaper La Croix. He said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''committed a fundamental error and would pay the consequences.''

''If the diplomatic solution does not work, there will be no other solution than quick military action. One must not drag one's feet or risk undergoing another Vietnam.''

Pahlavi said the rise of the Iraqi president was the fault of the Western countries that spent the past 10 years trying to counter the fundamentalist government in Iran.

''Saddam Hussein is the product of Western countries that were trying to check the Iranian menace. But they created a new monster.''

Warning that Saddam must be brought down to secure Middle East peace, Pahlavi questioned whether the military mobilization ''would force Saddam Hussein to retreat or if it would pursue other objectives, notably his upset.''

Pahlavi said true reconciliation between Iran and Iraq would create ''a Machiavellian couple'' working for ''destabilization of the region.''

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#90249u0729 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 6) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER

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Bismarck pc	82	57	....
Boston pc	80	64	....

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Providence pc	79	60	....
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cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90249u0743 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 6) UPI - A lieutenant general in the West German Army, Dieter Claus, was named Thursday as deputy supreme allied commander of NATO forces in Europe, effective Oct. 1.

Clauss, 56, director of personnel in the German Defense Ministry, succeeds Gen. Eberhard Eimler of the German Air Force, who retires at the end of this month after 34 years of service.

The appointment was made by Gen. John Galvin, the supreme allied commander for Europe. Galvin also has another deputy, British Gen. Brian Kenny.

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#90249u0744 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for September 5: Purchases of 323,609 shares and sales of 429,823 shares including 70,388 shares sold short.

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#90249u0783 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 6) UPI - The State Department says it has only sketchy information on the reported wounding of an American man in the capital of occupied Kuwait. The man reportedly was shot while trying to evade capture by Iraqi troops who were rounding up Americans. U-S diplomats in the Persian Gulf say American embassies in Kuwait and Iraq are trying to locate the man. .

In China, Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Taha Ramadan was shown on state television today meeting with China's vice premier in Beijing . Officials say he might also talk with Premier Li Peng. A Chinese spokeswoman says the talks with Chinese leaders will focus on the Persian Gulf crisis and ''the presence of foreign forces in Arab territories.'' .

The Foreign Ministry spokeswoman also hinted strongly that China might send emergency humanitarian aid to Iraq.

President Bush goes on the campaign trail today, traveling to Kansas and then to Florida to drum up support for G-O-P candidates. It's his first trip aboard the new Air Force One, a state-of-the-art Boeing 747 jumbo jet. His second trip on the plane comes tomorrow when he leaves for Finland for a weekend summit with Mikhail Gorbachev.

More bad news for NASA. The shuttle Columbia, scheduled to blast off today on a long-delayed astronomy mission, instead is grounded by another fuel leak. High levels of dangerous hydrogen gas were detected in the engine room yesterday, less than eight hours before launch. The crew is to fly back to Houston today.

Health Secretary Louis Sullivan says there's a lot that individual people can do to make the 1990's the ''decade of prevention.'' He released the nation's 298 health goals for the year 2000. They include reducing the number of AIDS cases, cutting tobacco use, and promoting healthier diets and more exercise.

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#90249u0790 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (SEPT. 6) UPI - A woman who was among more than 300 Britons freed from Iraq over the weekend Thursday lambasted what she said was British officials' complacency in the early days of the invasion.

The former hostage, Kirsty Norman, a British citizen who worked in Kuwait, said in a letter to The Times of London that poor advice given by British Embassy staff in Kuwait allowed Britons to be rounded up ''like rabbits'' by Iraqi troops.

''I feel a terrible despair for those left behind,'' Norman said. ''Their

situation is bad enough without being compounded by what my husband and I regard as British official complacency.''

About 2,600 Britons remain in Iraq and Kuwait, while efforts continue to secure their release. They are among Westerners being held as shields against attack by a U.S.-led multinational force deployed in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf.

The Foreign Office responded only to parts of Norman's letter, saying in a statement that the volunteers who had helped the embassy with coordination during the invasion were ''courageous people'' and had worked well under pressure.

Norman's letter was the first detailed account of the lack of coordination and poor information provided by Western embassies in Kuwait during the days following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2 in a land and oil dispute.

Similar complaints have been made others who escaped on their own initiative from Kuwait.

Norman said escape from Kuwait was possible for several days after the invasion by driving along the main roads to Saudi Arabia. Swiss citizens in Kuwait used the route, and drove openly across Kuwait to ''gather information,'' she said.

But British Embassy staff advised Britons to remain hidden in their homes in Kuwait City, ''like frightened rabbits,'' Norman said. At the same, consular officials had been dispatched to border crossings to register fleeing British citizens, she said.

Britain also told its nationals to give themselves up to Iraqis, following an order from Baghdad that they assemble at hotels in Kuwait City. Americans were told not to comply with the edict, and Britain subsequently reversed its position.

Norman said she was taken into custody by Iraqi soldiers during her own dash across the desert made 2 1/2 weeks after the invasion.

Her husband in England found out shortly after her capture that she had been interned in Iraq, when a released Austrian hostage told him the news. But she said the Foreign Office had sent a letter only this week saying she was staying with friends in Kuwait.

By then she was already home, having arrived with more than 300 other women and children early Sunday after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein began releasing Western women and children.

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#90249u0802 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 6) UPI - Cambodian resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk says he will attend the Cambodian peace talks in Jakarta, Indonesia. He answered an urgent plea from President Suharto, averting a collapse of the talks aimed at discussing a U-N plan to end Cambodia's 11-year-old conflict. .

Sihanouk said he will NOT participate directly in the talks, but will work with the representatives of his three-party coalition. His son says the resistance leader will arrive Sunday from Beijing. Officials say a starting date will be announced soon for the talks, which were initially set to begin yesterday.

Another oil spill occurred in the Arthur Kill waterway between New York City and New Jersey. The Coast Guard says an oil tank holding six- Million gallons of heating oil began to collapse yesterday and leaked at least 100-thousand gallons of fuel. About five-thousand gallons spilled into the Arthur Kill waterway but was contained behind booms.

A judge in San Fernando, California, sentenced a sheriff's deputy to 13 years in prison for killing his estranged wife. The judge yesterday rejected a novel defense that the man was suffering side effects of a sleeping pill when he shot her. It was the first such defense in a California criminal case.

The Justice Department says former savings-and-loan head Charles Keating agreed to the terms of a court order restricting movement of his assets. The order prohibits him from moving assets out of the United States. Keating was head of the failed Lincoln Savings and Loan, which was taken over by the federal government last year.

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#90249u0813 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
HELSINKI, FINLAND (SEPT. 6) UPI - President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev plan to meet for at least five hours Sunday in their summit in the Finnish capital under the cloud of the Persian Gulf crisis.

''This summit has all the majibgs of a success,'' Finnish President Mauno Koivisto said. ''It is likely that their views will converge.''

The summit was hastily scheduled amid the crisis provoked by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and occupation of Kuwait.

The Soviet Union has joined with the United States in calling for Iraq's immediate withdrawal from Kuwait. Moscow also cut off arms shipments to its one-time close ally and is supporting international sanctions against

Iraq, buthas refused to participate in a naval blockade or the international military presence in the region.

Finland's foreign ministry said both Bush and Gorbachev were to arrive in Helsinki Saturday, Bush at about mid-day and Gorbachev later Saturday afternoon. Bush was to lunch with Koivisto on his arrival, while Gorbachev was to dine with the Finnish president Saturday evening.

Meetings Sunday between the two superpower leaders were expected to begin at 9 a.m. in Finland's Presidential Palace and were set to last at least five hours, broken by lunch, the foreign ministry said.

Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze were also to be in Helsinki for the talks, a ministry spokesman said.

Baker and Shevardnadze are to arrive in the Finnish capital Saturday. Foreign ministry officials said it had been ''suggested'' the two meet Saturday evening for brief negotiations as a run-up to Sunday's summit.

An entourage of more than 600 U.S. and 550 Soviet officials and technicians were in Helsinki to make arrangements for the summit - the biggest international event to take place in the Finnish capital since the 1975 Helsinki conference on Cooperation and Security in Europe.

Finnish officials said it was unclear if Bush and Gorbachev would hold separate news conferences Sunday or meet with reporters together and issue a joint statement.

As of Thursday, some 2,000 reporters had sought accreditation to the Helsinki summit taking place in the shadow of the Persian Gulf crisis and following a visit to Moscow by Iraq's Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

Both presidents were expected to return home following Sunday afternoon's news conference.

Departing from traditional Finnish reticence in commenting on international affairs, Koivisto lashed out at Iraq Wednesday night in a television interview in which he said Iraq was bellicose and had squandered its resources.

''Iraq's natural resources have been wasted in the eight-year war against Iran, in which Iraq also attacked,'' Koivisto said, adding Iraqi oil revenues had been used to buy weapons rather than improve the lot of the Iraqi nation.

Finland, a former Grand Duchy of the Russian czars, has had a special relationship with all post-war Soviet administrations and their leaders

and remains the only Western country to maintain a Treaty of Friendship, Cooperation and Mutual Assistance with the Soviet Union, despite having fought two bloody wars with Moscow.

As such, Finland - which shares an 800-mile border with the Soviet Union - has been a trusted confidant and economic partner of the Kremlin, with an open door to the Soviet leadership even in the coldest periods after World War II.

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#90249u0816 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - The National Marine Fisheries Service announced Thursday it would launch a formal study to determine whether four species of salmon in the Pacific Northwest warrant protection under the Endangered Species Act.

The decision by agency chief William Fox clears the first hurdle for a petition by several conservation groups to classify salmon runs on the Columbia and Snake rivers as threatened or endangered.

In making the announcement Thursday, the fisheries service said it ''has determined that the petition presents substantial scientific information indicating that the listings may be warranted.''

The fisheries service, an agency of the Commerce Department, now has nine months to determine whether such a listing is warranted and an additional year to decide if the fish should actually be placed under federal protection.

Some in the Northwest, including Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., have suggested the salmon petition could generate regional acrimony rivaling the dispute over logging restrictions to protect the northern spotted owl, listed as a threatened species in June.

At issue for the salmon is the future use of the Columbia River system, a network of streams valuable not only for its rich fisheries but as an important source of hydroelectric power, transportation, irrigation, flood control and recreation.

Calling for a General Accounting Office study of the salmon in July, Packwood said, ''The Endangered Species Act could fundamentally alter the ability of federal agencies to manage the river system for all its resource uses.''

The petition seeks to protect the native coho salmon of the lower Columbia River, which divides Oregon from Washington state, plus the spring, summer and fall runs of the chinook salmon on the Snake River, which joins the

Columbia in southeastern Washington.

Sponsors of the petition, led by the conservation groups Oregon Trout and American Rivers, claimed these four salmon populations face extinction from over-fishing, hydropower dams and water diversions for irrigation.

The fisheries service recently accepted a similar petition filed by the Shoshone-Bannock Indian tribe in Idaho to protect the native sockeye salmon run on the Snake River.

Historically, more than 11 million salmon and steelhead trout swam in the Columbia River basin each year, but those runs have now dwindled to 2.5 million fish, the groups said.

In addition, runs of entirely wild origin comprise just 2 percent of their former levels, with the remainder of the fishery based on hatchery-bred salmon less genetically diverse and less adapted to these rivers, environmentalists argue.

If the salmon is listed as threatened or endangered, the federal government would be barred from taking any action that could jeopardize survival of the species and would be required to devise a recovery plan for the fish.

Such a plan could include restricted salmon fishing, higher stream levels, increased fish passages around dams, restored spawning grounds and better hatchery practices.

In deciding to accept the latest salmon petition, the fisheries service chief determined it was founded on scientific grounds and deserving of further government research to determine if a listing is warranted.

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#90249u0824 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (SEPT. 6) UPI - Laotian students in Europe seeking independence for their country vowed Thursday to continue their struggle following the conclusion of a 39-day protest in three European capitals.

''We really want our country to be free and independent,'' Bounthanh Thammauong, a representative of the Laotian Students Organization Fighting for Independence and Democracy, said in an interview.

The organization of Laotian students studying in Europe, formed earlier this year, staged a protest demonstration in front of the Laotian embassy in Warsaw which lasted from July 19 through Aug. 26.

More than 40 Laotians studying in Poland, Czechoslovakia and the Soviet

Union joined in the protest. Demonstrations also were held in in front of Laotian embassies in Prague and Paris.

''We demanded the withdrawal of Vietnamese troops from Laos, democracy and pluralism,'' Bounthamh said.

The protesters refused to negotiate with the ambassador, who, they said, was not authorized to guarantee their demands, and sought to meet with a representative of the government.

''We could not ask a government representative to come all the way to Warsaw to talk to students. It was simply not possible,'' said Khouanephet Sayarath, the embassy's second secretary.

During talks with the protesters, embassy officials stressed there was no Vietnamese military presence in Laos and democracy was guaranteed, although the country is not yet strong enough to have a multiparty system.

When no understanding was reached, the students suspended their protest, which included a hunger strike by six demonstrators, but vowed to continue their protest in a different form in the near future.

Bounthamh said the organization wants an international commission to investigate the situation in Laos.

For 39 days the protesters camped in 15 tents in front of the embassy, receiving support and help from people living in the neighborhood.

''They have caused us a lot of trouble shouting threats over a loudspeaker and blocking the gate,'' Khouanephet said.

The students pelted the white embassy building with ink and painted demands for freedom on the fence.

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#90249u0826 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 6) UPI - The Chicago Mercantile Exchange has proposed a reduction in the daily trading limits for the Standard & Poor's 500 stock index futures contract from 30 points to 20 points.

The Board of Governors approved the proposal Wednesday and will submit the plan to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

The maximum 20-point limit, either higher or lower than the previous day's closing level, is equivalent to about 150 points in the Dow Jones Industrial Average on the New York Stock Exchange.

The CME said there would be no change in the opening price limits of five S&P points during the first 10 minutes of trading as well as the interim circuit breaker during which the market may not fall more than 12 points for 30 minutes.

While the new 20-point limit would not stop trading, it would prevent a rise or fall above that level during the trading day.

The CME said the modification does not change its endorsement of a coordinated circuit breaker rule across the stock, futures and options market.

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#90249u0828 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - U.S. diplomats in Iraq and Kuwait Thursday investigated a report that Iraqi troops shot and wounded an American man in Kuwait as Iraq pursued an international diplomatic campaign and considered giving President Bush the chance to appear on Iraqi television.

The reported shooting incident was expected to raise tension at a time when Iraq is pushing a diplomatic campaign, with envoys in the Soviet Union and China, and another mission planned for Iran.

''We do not have full details (about the shooting) yet,'' one Western diplomat in the Persian Gulf state of Bahrain said. ''We've heard so far that the man was trying to avoid arrest by Iraqi troops, who then shot him near his home. We don't know the full extent of his injuries.''

The diplomat could not say how the unidentified man was injured and said Iraqi authorities were believed to have transferred him to an Iraqi military hospital. American diplomats in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait sought details on the reported shooting.

President Bush has said he would hold Iraqi President Saddam Hussein responsible for the welfare of U.S. and other Western hostages in Iraq and Kuwait, being held to guard against attack by a U.S.-led multinational force in the region.

In Paris, 153 former hostages including 105 French women and children arrived at Orly Airport Thursday from the Jordanian capital of Amman aboard a special Air France jetliner. The Foreign Ministry said those aboard also included 28 British citizens and 12 Americans as well as three Belgians, two Spaniards, two Italians and a West German.

Iraq, meanwhile, was calling up more reservists. Baghdad Radio said reserve officers and men born in 1953 had been called up for ''active duty.'' But Cairo Radio said Iraqi reservist officers involved in

''chemical warfare had not been called up'' to boost Baghdad's 1 million-strong army, parts of which are facing U.S.-led troops across the Saudi border.

India, China and Iran indicated Thursday they may supply Iraq with food and medicine despite U.N. sanctions imposed after Baghdad invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

The United States has said U.N. sanctions against Baghdad allow for the dispatch of emergency food and medicine on humanitarian grounds, but has said there is no emergency yet and no shipments should go through.

The official Iraqi News Agency meanwhile quoted Iraqi Information Minister Latif Jassim as saying his country was ready to send television crews to Washington to let Bush address Iraq on both state-run television channels.

''(We are prepared) to pave the way before President George Bush to speak to the Iraqi people,'' INA said.

The Iraqi move came in response to complaints from Bush that while U.S. television gave Saddam's point of view full coverage, Iraqi television had not given the U.S. leader similar access.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, who met Wednesday with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, Thursday described his talks in Moscow as ''frank.'' He said unlike Western nations, Baghdad's former main arms supplier was willing to listen to Iraq's point of view.

While Aziz prepared to head later this week to Tehran for talks with the leaders of Iraq's former Persian Gulf war foe, Iran, Iraqi Deputy Premier Taha Yassin Ramadan arrived Thursday in Beijing to talk with Chinese officials.

Jordan's King Hussein, whose small country neighbors Iraq and who has been leading efforts to persuade Arab states to take a soft line against Saddam's Aug. 2 invasion and occupation of Kuwait, was in Baghdad Thursday.

But King Hussein has been unable to persuade the majority of Arab states to swing behind Baghdad and Saddam, in a defiant address broadcast by Iraqi television and radio Wednesday, described the standoff as a fight between ''Islam and the devil.''

Saddam called on the people of Egypt and Saudi Arabia - countries that have backed U.S.-led efforts to isolate Iraq - to overthrow their leaders and join the Arab holy crusade against the ''infidels and their lackeys.''

Egyptian newspaper played down Saddam's statement.

The semi-official daily Al Ahram said the Iraqi leader ''continued to be stubborn in spite of the call of all international powers to listen to the voice of reason, and withdraw (his troops) from Kuwait to avoid war.''

Another government-supervised daily, Al Akhbar, described thiro daily Al Gomhuria called the speech a desperate attempt to divert the feelings of Iraqis from their ownsuffering.

The United States described Saddam's call for Egyptians and Saudis to overthrow leaders as a ''sign of desperation.'' One senior Western diplomat in the gulf state of Bahrain Thursday described Iraq's diplomatic activity before President Bush's meeting in Helsinki Sunday with Gorbachev as an ''attempt to delay a U.S. military strike that would undoubtedly topple him from power, and lead to his trial as a war criminal.''

The diplomat said both the Soviet Union and China, while supporting U.N. sanctions against Iraq, were against a preemptive U.S. strike against Saddam because that might give the United States a long-term foothold in the area and enhance its regional influence at their expense.

''But there is no question of Beijing and Moscow allowing Saddam to get away with his invasion of Kuwait,'' the diplomat said.

In other developments:

-Secretary of State James Baker was reported on his way to Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Europe before attending the Helsinki superpower summit. Baker was to meet Saudi and exiled Kuwaiti leaders in Saudi Arabia, where reports said he would ask them to contribute more cash for the upkeep of the U.S-led multinational force in the oil-rich kingdom.

-Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady traveled to South Korea and planned to go on to Japan, Paris and London to discuss cooperative efforts in the gulf, Saudi defense assistance and help for nations that are financially strapped by the economic sanctions.

-U.S. ally Israel, which has maintained a low profile through the crisis, reportedly secured the delivery from the United States of surface-to-air Patriot missiles. The deal was made during Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy's current visit to Washington and was expected to enhance the Jewish state's defense against Iraqi missile attack.

-In India, a government spokesman said his country had asked the United Nations for permission to send food and medicine to Iraq to alleviate the plight of some 100,000 Indian nationals stranded in occupied Kuwait.

The United States and its Western allies say there is no need yet to soften sanctions on Iraq and allow food into the country on humanitarian

grounds.

The Indian spokesman said while Western hostages were for the most part staying in five-star hotels, Indian and other Asian expatriate workers were lining up daily for food. The spokesman said a shortage of medicines had halted admissions to Kuwaiti hospitals.

The spokesman also accused the West of double standards in the sanctions on Iraq, pointing out the United States and Britain technically broke a U.N. economic embargo against Iraq by chartering Iraqi airliners to get out women and children.

The British Foreign Office said a convoy of British and Irish women and children arrived in Baghdad early Thursday from Kuwait and it was hoped they would leave later for the Jordanian capital of Amman.

Saddam pledged to free Western women and children hostages while keeping their male relatives. But Iraq's ban on foreign airlines has meant a shortage of seats on flights to Amman, the only international destination for Iraqi Airways planes facing the embargo.

A plane with 150 British, Italian and Spanish women and children left Baghdad for Amman Wednesday. Other flights brought 57 British, 53 American four Australian, and five Canadians to freedom in London and Newark International Airport in New Jersey.

Another 300 British women and children were given visas for home.

U.N. officials in Amman called for international aid to help confront the plight of some 60,000 mostly destitute Asian workers from Iraq and Kuwait trapped without adequate food, water or shelter in the desert along the Iraq-Jordanian border.

Jordan said it was unable to cope with the refugee influx and has been allowing only 20,000 refugees in a day. Fights have erupted as meager water supplies are distributed and health officials have warned of cholera and typhoid epidemics.

The European Community has pledged $20 million in aid and the U.N. has secured another $20 million, but the officials stressed more was needed.

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#90249u0832 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 6) UPI - Engineers drained the shuttle Columbia's fuel tank Thursday in NASA's latest disappointment and studied preliminary data indicating the fuel leak that grounded the ship again might involve a faulty pump.

If so, Columbia and its seven-man crew could be ready for yet another launch attempt by the end of next week.

But NASA officials stressed that engineers would not get back into Columbia's engine compartment until Friday and that no final decisions would be made until the leak is located and a course of action is determined.

Columbia's countdown to launch Thursday was interrupted when high levels of dangerous hydrogen gas were detected in the ship's engine room about 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, about an hour after fueling began.

Engineers immediately began trying to isolate the leak and early Thursday, officials said preliminary data indicated the problem could involve one of three hydrogen recirculation pumps in the engine compartment.

''They think it's the recirc package on the engines,'' said an engineer who requested anonymity. ''When they brought the recirc pumps up last night, they got high levels of hydrogen a couple of times. All their data is indicating it has to be someplace in the pump package or the pipes leading to the pump package.''

Engineers planned to open Columbia's engine room Friday to begin inspections. If the pump package is found to be at fault, the shuttle could be rescheduled for launch in about a week.

''It's seven days. That's just replacing it and doing minimal retest,'' the engineer said.

Columbia's seven-member crew had planned to spend 10 days in space using a $150 million high-tech observatory in Columbia's payload bay to study X-rays and ultraviolet light emitted by stars, galaxies and other energetic enigmas in the cosmos.

Instead, commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46, began flying back to Houston Thursday to continue training at the Johnson Space Center.

''The Columbia crew is returning to Houston for a short stint of simulator training,'' Brand said in a statement. ''We hope that the hydrogen leak can be found and fixed to give us a chance to launch next week. But whenever Columbia is ready, we will be ready, too.''

The mission was originally scheduled for 1986 but was delayed by the Challenger disaster. It was delayed again May 29 by a fuel leak officials thought had been fixed by replacing a fuel line fitting.

The latest delay was a hard blow to NASA, which has come under intense criticism because of a defect in the Hubble Space Telescope, doubts about the feasibility of the proposed space station Freedom and fuel leaks that have grounded the shuttle program since May.

''It continues the crisis in confidence in NASA,'' said John Pike, a space policy analyst with the Federation of American Scientists in Washington. ''It's the latest piece of bad news from NASA rather than NASA showing that despite the bad news they can still deliver. They need to start to put things in the win column. It is more bad news when they need some good news for a change.''

Columbia's delayed flight in May was followed by a similar leak on the shuttle Atlantis in July, forcing the cancellation of a secret military mission.

Officials traced the leaks to faulty seals in a 17-inch piece of equipment used to attach the shuttles to their external fuel tanks. Engineers thought they had repaired Columbia by replacing the ''disconnect'' assembly with a new one from the new shuttle Endeavour.

But launch director Robert Sieck canceled Columbia's tense countdown Wednesday when sensors detected hydrogen gas leaking into the ship's engine room shortly after engineers began pumping a half-million gallons of rocket fuel into the external tank.

''The entire team is disappointed. We were looking forward to going flying '' Crippen said.

Sensors detected hydrogen at levels of about 6,000 parts per million - a concentration of 0.6 percent - which is about 10 times higher than the allowable limit of 600 parts per million.

''I really thought we were going to launch today,'' said project scientist Edward Weiler. ''We really thought those 12 years of waiting were over.''

The space agency hoped to follow Columbia's flight by launching the shuttle Discovery next month on a critical mission to fire the Ulysses solar probe to the sun.

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CLARK AIR BASE, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 6) UPI - The United States will consult President Corazon Aquino's government if it decides to mount combat operations in the Peson Gulf from bases in the Philippines, U.S. officials said Thursday.

The officials also said the 41,000 U.S. personnel and dependents have been alerted against possible attacks by communist guerrillas expected between now and the resumption of talks on the renewal of U.S. basing rights.

Philippine officials said Thursday the talks are set for Sept. 17- 21. U.S. Embassy spokesman Stanley Schrager said the date was accepted by the U.S. sidel.

The leases on six installations, including Clark Air Base and Subic Bay Naval complex, expire in September 1991.

''Right now, its business as usual,'' said Col. Steve Richey, director for plans at the U.S.-run Clark Air Base, headquarters of the 13th Air Force base, 50 miles north of Manila.

He told a news briefing that the military buildup in the Persian Gulf following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2 was mainly funneled through Europe, but that the Philippine bases remain resupply and transhipment points.

''If we begin to mount combat operations, we will have to consult the Philippines,'' said Richey. He said this meant ''actual employment of resources at Clark in support'' of a war effort.

He said the 1947 military bases agreement does not require consultations on normal operations.

Philippine officials concerned about the fate of 50,000 Filipino workers in Kuwait and 3,000 in Iraq have stressed that the use of the U.S. facilities as a staging area for military operations in the Gulf should be the subject of consultations.

Clark and nearby Subic Bay are the oldest and largest U.S. facilities overseas and regarded as vital in projecting American military power in the Western Pacific and Indian Ocean.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 6) UPI - Tropical Storm Isidore churned in open Atlantic waters with top winds of 60 mph and forecasters said Thursday the season's ninth storm could strengthen into a hurricane by the end of the day.

At 6 a.m. EDT Isidore was centered near latitude 12.8 north, longitude 36.3 west, or about 800 miles west-southwest of the Cape Verde Islands, said Lixion Avila, hurricane specialist at the National Hurricane Center.

The storm was moving west-northwest at near 14 mph, and Avila predicted it would continue that motion for the next day.

Maximum sustained winds were near 60 mph.

Isidore could develop into a hurricane with sustained winds of at least 74 mph by Thursday or Friday, Avila said.

Isidore, the ninth named storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, developed from a tropical depression Wednesday. Three storms - Bertha, Diana and Gustav - have grown to hurricane strength this season.

Forecasters said the nine-storm total was two or three more storms than average for this time of year, but the impact of those storms has been minimal. The season runs from June 1 to Nov. 30.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - An energy industry consortium has agreed to draw up plans for an offshore oil port that would ease supertanker traffic in Galveston Bay, a spokesman said Thursday.

The decision was made during a meeting Wednesday between consortium members in Houston, said a spokesman for Phillips Petroleum Co., which helped organize the group of supporters.

The proposed "TexPort" would be capable of moving two million barrels of imported oil a day from foreign tankers to undersea pipelines that already exist in the Gulf of Mexico.

Tentatively slated to be 27 miles off Freeport, Texas, the port would cut down on oil tanker traffic in Galveston Bay and the Houston Ship Channel. Supporters say the offshore port would lower the risk of accidents and oil spills.

Spills would pose less of an environmental hazard because cleanup crews would have a 27-mile buffer zone to contain the oil before it reached shore, supporters say.

Representatives from 18 energy companies agreed to proceed with plans for the port after reviewing a $100,000 consultant's study that analyzed the projected revenue for the venture and the likely demand for its services.

George Minter, a spokesman for Phillips in Bartlesville, Okla., refused to discuss the study's findings or to name the consultant. He also refused to identify the companies participating in the venture, saying some might drop out and others might join before construction ever begins.

Minter also declined to say how much the companies have invested in the port proposal so far. The consortium, which includes some foreign firms, hopes to make a final decision by early 1991, he said.

The Galveston Bay Foundation, a citizens group dedicated to protecting the bay's estuaries, issued a statement urging energy companies to continue work on the port proposal.

"The foundation is extremely interested in the current investigation by Phillips and other oil companies," the foundation said. "Development of an offshore oil terminal would be one step toward (reducing) the tremendous risk for catastrophic damage from oil spills in Galveston Bay."

A June 8 fire and explosion aboard the tanker Mega Borg spilled nearly four million gallons of oil in the Gulf of Mexico off the Texas coast. About 700,000 gallons of oil were dumped into Galveston Bay in the July 28 collision of a tanker and a string of barges.

Several Gulf states considered building superports during the 1970s but the only one constructed was the Louisiana Offshore Oil Port, 20 miles south of the barrier island of Grand Isle.

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SIDON, LEBANON (SEPT. 6) UPI - One person was killed and four others wounded Thursday in a firefight between rival militiamen in a southern village, security sources and police said.

Militiamen from the pro-Syrian Popular Liberation Army of Mustafa Saad and the Iranian-backed Islamic Grouping exchanged machinegun fire in the village of Majdalyoun, east of the port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut, police said.

One militiamen was killed and four others wounded, police said.

Security sources said contacts were made to contain the incident and restore stability in the area.

The Islamic Grouping, which has military presence in Sidon, competes with PLA and other leftist parties which control the city.

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BEIJING, CHINA (SEPT. 6) UPI - A key aide to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein discussed the Persian Gulf crisis with senior Chinese officials

Thursday and China strongly hinted it may comply with any Iraqi requests for emergency humanitarian aid.

Iraqi First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan, believed to be one of Saddam's most intimate and trusted advisers, arrived Thursday with a 30-member delegation aboard an Iraqi special charter flight.

The visit, which had been rumored for some time, was expected to last one or two days during which Ramadan hoped to meet with Premier Li Peng, an Iraqi diplomat said.

Ramadan briefed Vice Premier Wu Xueqian on ''Iraq's position on the gulf situation,'' the official Xinhua news agency said without further explanation.

Wu responded by reiterating China's desire for Iraq's unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait and for a peaceful, Arab-brokered solution to the crisis, Xinhua said.

Wu ''also stressed that China opposes the resorting to force by the big powers, which will worsen and complicate the gulf situation,'' Xinhua added.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Li Jinhua refused to discuss Ramadan's itinerary, telling reporters only that talks would focus on ''the developments in the gulf and the presence of foreign forces in Arab territories and waters.''

The Iraqi diplomat declined to say if Ramadan planned to discuss Beijing's sales of arms to Baghdad. China has sold billions of dollars of weapons to Iraq in recent years, but suspended the shipments following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of neighboring Kuwait.

But while China is unlikely to violate the international embargo on arms sales to Iraq, the Foreign Ministry spokeswoman broadly hinted that China may view shipments of food and medicine as ''humanitarian'' aid permitted under U.N. resolutions.

''U.N. Security Council resolution 661 clearly stipulates that the embargo against Iraq doesn't include supplies intended strictly for medical purposes and foodstuffs in humanitarian circumstances,'' Li said.

''This point should be firmly implemented,'' she said repeatedly.

Li declined comment on whether China had specific plans to send food and medicine to Iraq.

Western diplomats expresreh surprise at the China visit, but noted reports

from the Middle East indicating that Ramadan would discuss bilateral aid questions and that members of the Iraqi Agriculture Ministry were included in the delegation.

''It seems like China may not be in accord with the majority on this one '' a Western diplomat said. ''We also are not entirely sure if any of these people (the delegation) wear military uniforms.''

The ''foreign forces'' Iraq and China will discuss are the Western warships and tens of thousands of ground troops - mostly American - authorized by the U.N. Security Council to enforce an economic and military embargo of Iraq.

As one of five permanent Security Council members, China has a key role to play in the gulf crisis, although Beijing has exercised its influence so discreetly that some diplomats wonder if it is uncertain how to respond.

Beijing has repeatedly criticized the deployment of U.S. troops on Saudi soil even while complying with an international boycott against Iraq.

China's deliberately low profile on the issue may have driven Ramadan to Beijing in a last-ditch search for support, a Western diplomat said.

''Iraq has no other possibility. China is the only one they can look to because it opposes the presence of the superpowers,'' the diplomat said.

''They may be hoping China will protect them in the U.N. if something really nasty happens,'' he said.

The Soviet Union, formerly Iraq's leading arms supplier, has announced it will not send troops to the region but that it does not oppose the U.S. decision to do so.

China has enjoyed good relations with both Kuwait and Iraq, receiving much needed foreign investment from the former and selling weapons to the latter.

China Thursday repeated its position on the crisis by deploring the invasion, demanding an unconditional Iraqi pullout and supporting a peaceful settlement under resolutions passed by the U.N. Security Council.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 6) UPI - Magnetic resonance imaging appears to be a more accurate way of detecting prostate cancer than the more commonly used ultrasound technique, a study showed Thursday.

The study by researchers at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital found magnetic resonance imaging, or MRI, was accurate 69 percent of the time in detecting prostate cancer in men. That compares with the 58 percent accuracy rate for ultrasound.

However, the study noted that ultrasound test costs between $150 and $400 per test, while MRI costs $700 to $1,200.

Prostate cancer is the most common type of cancer in men, claiming 30,000 lives a year. The American Cancer Society estimates 106,000 new cases will be detected this year.

The disease is most common in men older than 65, with black males at greatest risk. The use of imaging technology to find the cancer is critical in determining the best treatment.

The 15-month study, published in Thursday's editioon of the New England Journal of Medicine, involved 230 patients whose cancer was believed to be confined to the prostate, a small gland under the bladder. The patients were examined with the MRI and ultrasound techniques in order to determine how widespread their cancer was.

Matthew Rifkin, a radiology professor at Jefferson who coordinated the study, said doctors still are encouraged to use ultrasound to detect the presence of cancer first. Then, MRI can be employed to determine how widespread the malignant growth is.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - The State Department says its information on the reported shooting of an American citizen in Kuwait is sketchy. U-S diplomats in the Persian Gulf region are still trying to locate the man... who reportedly was wounded while trying to avoid capture during a roundup of Americans by Iraqi troops in Kuwait City. President Bush has said he holds Iraqi President Saddam Hussein responsible for the welfare of all U-S and other Western hostages in Iraq and Kuwait.

Iraq is continuing its diplomatic bid to gain support before a U-S- Soviet Summit on Sunday. Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz is preparing for a visit later this week to Iran, Iraq's former Gulf war enemy. And Iraqi Deputy Premier Ramadan arrived in Beijing today to meet with Chinese officials.

President Bush travels to Topeka, Kansas, and Tallahassee, Florida, today to attend two G-O-P fund-raisers. Aides say the president will address the need for Congress to reach agreement on a deficit-cutting budget and reaffirm Washington's committment in the Persian Gulf region. Bush will

travel today for the first time aboard the new Air Force One, a modified Boeing 747.

NASA has been hit by another setback. The shuttle Columbia was grounded yesterday just eight hours before a scheduled launch from Cape Canaveral when engineers detected another hydrogen fuel leak. The cause of the leak is NOT known and it's NOT clear whether NASA will be able to launch Columbia before next month's scheduled high-priority launch of the shuttle Discovery.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 6) UPI - A national poll of Soviet citizens found that Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin has double the approval rating as Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, the independent Interfax news agency reported Thursday.

Interfax said the results of the poll by the national public opinion center were compiled July 13 but have still not been released in any of the official newspapers.

The poll of 2,680 people found 61.3 percent fully approved of the work of Yeltsin, the populist who was kicked out of his Communist Party posts three years ago but came back to be elected head of the huge Russian republic earlier this year.

Gorbachev, bedeviled by Yeltsin since 1987 when the then Moscow party boss began criticizing the pace of Gorbachev's reforms, received only 28.5 percent approval, Interfax said.

About 40 percent of those surveyed said they ''don't quite approve'' of Gorbachev, while Yeltsin and his more radical reform ideas met with disapproval from 21 percent.

In a question about the most popular politician in the country, Yeltsin came out on top again with 34.2 percent, followed by Gorbachev with only 10.2 percent.

The margin of error and other details of the poll's methodology were not given.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - Crude oil prices shot up more than a $1 a barrel and gasoline nearly three cents a gallon in early trading Thursday as oil markets reacted to news of Iraqi troops shooting an American in Kuwait.

"The market seems to have reacted to the shooting of an American in Kuwait. It's caused people to believe there will be some sort of retalition," said Robert Baker, senior energy analyst with Prudential-Bache Securities Inc. in New York.

U.S. diplomats in Iraq and Kuwait were investigating reports that Iraqi troops shot and wounded an American man in Kuwait. "We do not have full details (about the shooting) yet," one Western diplomat in the Persian Gulf state of Bahrain said. "We've heard so far that the man was trying to avoid arrest by Iraqi troops, who then shot him near his home. We don't know the full extent of his injuries."

The diplomat could not say how the unidentified man was injured and said Iraqi authorities were believed to have transferred him to an Iraqi military hospital.

President Bush has said he would hold Iraqi President Saddam Hussein responsible for the welfare of U.S. and other Western hostages in Iraq and Kuwait, being held to guard against attack by a U.S.-led multinational force in the region.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery was up $1.13 over Wednesday's close to $30.90 a barrel in morning trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Unleaded gasoline for October delivery had gained 2.53 cents to 94.8 cents a gallon after trading as high as 95.75 cents a gallon. Home heating oil added 3.83 cents to 87.20 cents a gallon.

On the European spot market, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - had climbed $1 to $28.70 a barrel, adding to its Wednesday rise of $1.10 a barrel. Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was up 90 cents to $32.45 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, where crude is bought and sold to the highest bidder, prompt-delivery WTI had gained $1.15 to $30.90 a barrel.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.00-83.00 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 133.005-137.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $250.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50- 4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $110.00-$115.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $484.50-$490.00; dealer- approx., $486.00-$488.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 277.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE
California at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Detroit, 8:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Texas, 8:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Montreal at St. Louis, 12:35 p.m.
Cincinnati at San Francisco, 3:35 p.m.
Chicago at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
New York at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Houston at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

BOXING

Dublin - AIBA World Cup

GOLF

Coal Valley, Ill. - $1 million Hardee's Golf Classic

TENNIS

New York - U.S. Open

WRESTLING

Tokyo - Freestyle World Championships

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MANILA (SEPT. 6) UPI - Rear Adm. Thomas Mercer, commander of U.S. forces in the Philippines, warned American military and civilian personnel Thursday to be wary of attacks by communist guerrillas.

He said Americans have been targeted for ''kidnapping and assassination attacks'' by the New Peoples Army. ''Every individual is a potential target,'' said Mercer.

''They certainly want to get the highly visible people first and maybe American males before women and children,'' he said.

The Philippine army also announced that a veteran of two coup attempts against President Corazon Aquino's government has surrendered, saying he was tired of fighting the government and was worried about his family.

U.S. officials announced Wednesday night the indefinite suspension of all off-post leave and non-essential travel for some 41,000 U.S. troops, defense department employees and dependents.

Air Force Col. Ron Rand said the action was prompted by reports the guerrillas would strike at the resumption of talks on the extension of the 1947 treaty covering the six U.S. facilities in the Philippines. The

installations include Clark Air Base and Subic Bay Naval complex, largest and oldest U.S. installations overseas.

The pact expires in 1991 and Philippine officials announced Thursday the second round of talks will be held Sept. 17-21 in Manila.

At least 10 U.S. nationals, including Col. James Rowe, a decorated Vietnam War veteran, have been killed in the Philippines since October 1987 in attacks blamed on the NPA.

The 19,000-strong NPA has been trying for 21 years to set up a Marxist state in the former U.S. colony. It considers the bases an instrument of neocolonial dependency and an infringement on Philippine sovereignty.

Washington agreed after the first round of talks on the bases to provide surplus materials from installations it plans to close in the U.S. and in Europe.

Thursday, Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos asked the United States to include engineering equipment among the materials it plans to give the Philippines in exchange for using the bases.

Ramos said the military needs the equipment to rebuild roads and bridges destroyed by the July 16 earthquake and by the landslides caused by monsoon rains.

Last week, Aquino's administration began talks with a broad range of groups proposing a cease-fire with the NPA as a step toward national reconciliation. Aquino agreed in principle to a limited truce in Manila and in areas devastated by the July 16 earthquake.

The National Democratic Front, the NPA's political arm, said in a statement Thursday ''the proposals coming from the Aquino government so far betray insincerity.''

The NDF said the Aquino government must negotiate seriously on such subjects as dismantling the U.S. bases, reassertng national sovereignty and dignity, solving the debt and oil crises and the long-term economic problems of the Phillipine people, including land reform.

In Bacolod, Brig. Gen. Raymundo Jarque, military commander of Negros island, 300 miles south of Manila, said Capt. Edmundo Malabanjot, 35, surrendered to him Tuesday at his headquarters.

Malabanjot, who belonged to the elite First Scout Ranger Regiment and carried a $4,000 price for his capture, joined the Aug. 28, 1987, and Dec. 1-9, 1989, coups that nearly topped Aquino.

''I'm tired of the cause, I'm tired of fighting and I'm worried about my family,'' Jarque quoted Malabanjot as saying. He also said Malabanjot told him the rebels lacked civilian support and ammunition to mount another coup.

At least 17 leaders of the August and December coups led by former army Col. Gregorio Honasan have been captured.

Also Thursday, police arrested four students for smearing red paint on a wall at the gate of the U.S. Embassy in Manila during a protest rally by 50 leftist youths demanding the dismantling of the bases.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher and a group of corporate chieftains will tour the Soviet Union next week to discuss bolstering the Soviet's lagging oil production and improving trade.

"There's a tremendous amount to be done," Mosbacher said Thursday at a news briefing on the trip. "They're the biggest oil producer in the world." "There are a lot of new methodologies and a lot of new equipment that's been developed in this country over the last decade," he said.

Soviet oil production has been paralyzed by aging equipment and a choking bureaucracy. But the United States believes it can tap into a new source of energy if it provides the Soviets with a mix of management advice, hardware and pointers on drilling technique. "They're producing all they can now," Mosbacher said. "There's a good chance some of the group might be going to the oil fields."

Fifteen influential business expecutives plan to join Mosbacher on the journey, which starts Saturday and includes a side trip to Helsinki to meet President Bush after his summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. The delegation returns home Sept. 16.

Among the 15 are Lodwrick Cook, chairman of Atlantic Richfield Co.; James Kinnear, president of Texaco Inc., and Chesley Pruet, president of the Pruet Oil Co., of El Dorado, Ark.

Mosbacher said the trip was being planned before and Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, the seizure of the sheikdom's oil fields and the dramatic increase in world petroleum prices. "It didn't pop up because of the Iraq crisis," he said.

Mosbacher also insisted promises of technical and economic aid to the Soviets are not a "quid pro quo" for their cooperation in the U.N.-sanctioned blockade of Iraq. He also said the Soviets could qualify

for most favored nation trading status if they liberalize their immigration laws.

"While we are appreciative of the Soviet's attitude and help, this is part of an ongoing relationship," he said, but added: "If they had taken a different attitude, our response wouldn't have been as positive."

Mosbacher also indicated it was difficult to determine, before the journey how the Soviet Union might react on the trade front if war breaks out between the United States and Iraq. "We may get more insight," Mosbacher said. "Right now we think it is a positive mission and not contingent on anything."

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SAN ANTONIO (SEPT. 6) UPI - First Federal Savings & Loan Association of San Antonio is one of nine savings and loan institutions nationwide in an experimental program to sell troubled thrifts before they become insolvent it was reported Thursday.

The thrift could be sold within two months under the Accelerated Resolution Program, which the Resolution Trust Corp. announced in July, The San Antonio Light said, quoting "a source close to the institution."

The source said regulators and outside contractors already have been to First Federal to evaluate its financial condition, and that the agency is moving quickly to find buyers. First Federal president Steve Holloway declined to comment.

"I'll need to direct your questions to the Office of Thrift Supervision," Holloway said. The Office of Thrift Supervision runs the pilot program, and the agency's officials could not be reached for comment. Resolution Trust Corp. spokeswoman Kate Spears also declined to comment.

According to testimony in July before the House Committee on Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs by Office of Thrift Supervision director Timothy Ryan, any thrift involved in the program would be closed and immediately reopened by a buyer under a new name. A Resolution Trust Corp. fact sheet said just one Texas thrift is involved in the quick-sale pilot program.

Regulators hope the program, when expanded, will reduce the cost of the thrift bailout by allowing them to sell the institutions before they develop multimillion-dollar capital shortages.

Kenneth H. Thomas, president of a Miami-based consulting firm, said First Federal fits the Resolution Trust Corp.'s general description of a thrift

in the program - a solvent thrift in South-Central Texas, with total assets of between $250 million and $1 billion, that doesn't meet regulatory capital requirements.

San Antonio has just three solvent thrifts that haven't been bailed out or closed by regulators: First Federal, CitySavings and Loan Association and USAA Federal Savings Bank. As of March 31, First Federal had total assets of $731.39 million and total deposits of $474.35 million.

First Federal's equity capital totaled $7.8 million, but just $1.24 million of that is tangible capital, or real money. The rest is considered goodwill, an accounting category that represents the value of the thrfit's name and operating franchise.

First Federal, which was created in 1922 and employs about 200 people, has ten offices in the San Antonio area and in Alice. "They're obviously very under-capitalized" in all three regulatory capital measurements, Thomas told the newspaper.

Thomas said the thrift was solvent as of March 31, but was $9.49 million short of its tangible capital requirements, $13.65 million short of its core capital requirement and $11.7 million short of its risk-based capital requirements.

Thomas said the rules of the pilot program require participating institutions to have stable management and a strong deposit franchise. If successful, the pilot program could be expanded to include 250 other troubled institutions.

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GITEGA, BURUNDI (SEPT. 6) UPI - Pope John Paul II, visiting one of Africa's most populous countries, spoke out Thursday against contraception as a way of controlling population growth.

The pontiff said moral responsibility was the sole Christian method of birth control.

''Mastery over fertility must remain a profoundly human thing, as the church requires, expressing the healthy agencies of morality,'' he said.

The pope spoke at an open-air mass attended by about 75,000 people in Gitega, a former capital of Burundi, 60 miles (100 km) east of the present captial, Bujumbura.

Under a cloudless sky, 5,300 feet up in the heavily farmed hills of the tiny central African country, the pope told his congregation that rapid

population growth was the responsibility of all.

But the primary responsibility was that of parents, he said, who must have the children they want and are able to sustain.

Burundi, a former Belgian colony 5.3 million people, has an average population density of close on 200 people per square square mile. In practise the density in the arable areas is much higher, as the inhospitable Rift Valley to the east affords poor farming.

It has a population growth rate in excess of three percent a year, and added half a million people to its crowded hills between 1986 and 1989.

But the pope said contraception was not an option for Christians.

''It is true that at present considerable changes are apparent in the way people live, in the relations between men and women,'' he said.

''Christians must not let themselves be dragged along. They must react and possess enlightened moral judgment.'' he said.

Speaking in French, the pope urged Burundians ''to do the maximum to ensure the soil of Burundi can nourish its children.''

''Agriculture, your primary resource, must be developed so that the fields produce more and better, yet without exhausting the soil or degrading it '' he said.

Burundi's fragile, poor economy is almost entirely based on agriculture. The country is over 80 percent dependent on coffee exports for its foreign exchange.

It was through the coffee and tea groves that John Paul drove Thursday morning, climbing 2,000 feet through smsll villages clinging to steep hillsides, where tens of thousands lined the roadside in brightly colored traditional clothes.

The 70-year-old pontiff is on his seventh African visit, which earlier this week took him to neighboring Tanzania, and takes him Friday to Rwanda and Sunday to Ivory Coast in west Africa.

He has repeatedly stressed on this and past trips his belief that contraception in all its forms is wrong.

In Tanzania Tuesday he talked of the ''unspeakable crime of abortion.''

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JAKARTA, INDONESIA (SEPT. 6) UPI - Prince Norodom Sihanouk agreed Thursday to an urgent plea from President Suharto and announced he will attend the delayed Cambodian peace talks, averting a collapse of the meeting aimed at discussing a U.N. plan to end the 11-year-old conflict.

And in the Cambodian capital, the government of Hun Sen said Secretary of State James Baker's announcement Wednesday that the United States would open direct talks with Phnom Penh was ''asute.'' A government statement said such talks would help to develop ''a political solution to the Cambodian problem.

Sihanouk spokesmen also have welcomed the U.S. statement.

Sihanouk's decision to accept Suharto's plea to attend peace talks ensured that the talks will at least get off the ground because the Vietnamese-backed Cambodian prime minister, Hun Sen, had refused to show up if Sihanouk did not attend as well. With Sihanouk coming, Hen Sen has made plans to come, too.

''My father has saved the Jakarta meeting,'' Sihanouk's son, Norodom Ranariddh, said Thursday. The younger prince initally had been sent by his father to attend the talks.

Ranariddh said Sihanouk would be arriving from Beijing Sunday. Hun Sen is scheduled to arrive Friday evening, a spokesman for his delegation said.

''We hope that this opens the way now for the talks,'' said a relieved Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas, who still does not have a starting date for the fourth round of peace talks held in Jakarta.

Alatas, who also co-hosted the unsuccessful international Paris conference on Cambodia last year, said he would announce the date of the inaugural meeting as soon as he has all the arrival times. It was initially scheduled to start Wednesday.

''Meanwhile, I will continue to have informal meetings with those who are already here,'' Alatas said.

Those include Ranariddh, Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Samphan, non- communist resistance leader Son Sann and Hor Nam Hong, the Phnom Penh deputy prime minister for foreign affairs.

The talks were called to discuss a plan approved by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council last week to bring peace to Cambodia following 11 years of civil war.

The United Nations asked the Cambodian factions to set up a Supreme

National Council to embody Cambodian sovereignty and hold Cambodia's seat in the forthcoming U.N. General Assembly meeting that opens Sept. 18.

Sihanouk's coalition includes his own followers plus those of Son Sann and the Khmer Rouge, the most powerful of the factions fighting the Phnom Penh regime.

In Beijing, Sihanouk said he would not participate directly but work with the representatives of his three-party coalition. ''I shall help them, outside their working sessions, to reach understanding on the establishment, in priority, of the NSC and to study together following the establishment of the SNC, the problems not yet solved.''

The Vietnamese-backed government of Cambodia welcomed the U.S. statement to open direct talks saying it ''firmly believes that through these direct talks the two sides will have a clearer understanding of each another and will find light to solve various major issues confronting them, particularly a political solution to the Cambodian problem.''

''The state of Cambodia' s government is ready to hold talks with the U.S. government on all issues and at whatever levels,'' the Cambodian Foreign Ministry said in a statement read over Phnom Penh radio.

The Cambodian statement said Baker had made ''an astute and correct decision'' which that would help prevent the return to power of the Khmer Rouge.

Sihanouk spokesman Ek Sereywath also called the the prospect of U.S. talks with Hun Sen's government ''a very important step.''

''It shows Hun Sen's government is becoming more flexible. This is a good sign,'' he said.

The plan, worked out by the United States, Britain, China, France and the Soviet Union, provided for separation and disarmament of all forces in Cambodia, a major U.N. supervisory role and free elections.

A source in Beijing said Sihanouk changed his mind about attending the Jakarta talks after receiving a personal - and clearly face-saving - invitation from Suharto.

Sihanouk last week refused to attend, saying Hun Sen had violated the accepted formulation for peace negotiations by demanding to meet Sihanouk one-on-one, as equals. Sihanouk insists the three resistance factions each have equal footing with Hun Sen's government at the talks.

The source said Sihanouk had ''to accept the invitation of President Suharto because he is a friend of the Cambodian people,'' the source said.

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#90249u0969 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
BRUSSELS, Belgium (SEPT. 6) UPI - The Gulf crisis demonstrates the need for the European Community to move rapidly to full economic and monetary union, EC Commission president Jacques Delors said Thursday.

''The Gulf crisis is going to provoke a greater realization of the need for EMU (economic and monetary union) than we could have expected a few weeks ago,'' Delors told a conference at the European Parliament.

''Imagine if in a few months time, if the Community slowed down EMU, this would have a great impact on the way we could respond to an oil shock.''

Speaking just two days before EC finance ministers debate EMU in Rome, Delors said the Community's resolve to move to a common currency and a central European bank would be a ''test of will'' in the wake of the Gulf crisis.

''It is going to be an important test, because economic growth in the Community was slowing down anyway before the Gulf crisis,'' he said, and higher oil prices will add another complicating factor.

Delors, the president of the EC executive agency, said the European Monetary System, whose exchange-rate mechanism keeps most EC currencies within a narrow range, has shown ''rapid resiliency'' while the U.S. dollar and Japanese yen have fluctuated in the past three years.

Even so, he asked, ''Can we afford to wait for more outside shock? Obviously not.''

Delors sought to counter the slower approach of West German Bundesbank President Karl Otto Pohl, who told a Frankfurt audience Monday that a central bank and common currency may not be ''quite as indispensable as made out to be in some quarters.''

The Bundesbank president said he had ''some sympathy'' toward a British proposal for a ''hard ECU'' (European Currency Unit), which would compete against the 12 national EC currencies.

Delors, who champions a single EC currency, said the British proposal was positive ''to some extent,'' but rejected suggestions of extensive further preparatory work for an intergovernmental conference on EMU due to begin Dec. 13 in Rome.

''Those who say more work must be done at this point to prepare are really half-hearted about making progress,'' he said.

Italian Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis also addressed the conference on EMU sponsored by the Socialist group in the European Parliament. The Socialists are the largest group in the body, holding 180 of the 518 seats.

De Michelis also called for rapid movement toward a single currency and central bank, because the EC must be ''more effective and more precise in our decisions'' in the post-Cold War world.

''If Europe does not come forward, working in a united way in a single voice, then another European country will come forth with its own currency and its own policies, and there's no sense crying about it then,'' he said.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Consumers Water Co	Q	.27 1/2	11-26	11-9
Essex County Gas	Q	.35	10-1	9-15
Helmerich & Payne	Q	.11 1/2	12-1	11-15
Louisville Gas & Elec	Q	.71	10-15	9-28
Reduced				
Sunwest Fincl Svcs	Q	.12	10-1	9-17
Usual				
Amerada Hess Corp	Q	.15	9-28	9-17
Community Bancshares	Q	.06	9-28	9-15
E-Systems Inc	Q	.18 3/4	10-3	9-14
Global Utility Fund	Q	.13 1/2	9-28	9-14
Fst Colonial Bnkshs A	Q	.11	10-10	9-30
First Community Bncp	Q	.16	10-5	9-15
Handleman Co	Q	.10	10-10	9-26
Starrett (LS) Co	Q	.17	9-28	9-17
TIS Mortgage Invstmt	Q	.32	10-12	9-28
Witco Corp	Q	.43	10-4	9-17

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - U-S envoys in Iraq and Kuwait are struggling to investigate a report that Iraqi troops shot and wounded an American man in Kuwait. A Western diplomat in the Persian Gulf state of Bahrain says all officials have ''heard so far is that the man was trying to avoid arrest by Iraqi troops who then shot him near his home.'' He says officials do NOT know the full extent of the American's injuries, but he says Iraqi

authorities are believed to have taken him to an Iraqi military hospital.

Workers for Hess Oil are busy this morning transferring oil from a storage tank before more of it leaks following an incident yesterday in Perth Amboy, New Jersey. Up to one-Million of the six-Million gallons of heavy fuel oil in the tank spilled out after the tank itself began collapsing. The oil is said to be covering half of the company's property at depths of up to six feet.

A U-N sponsored effort to bring peace to Cambodia after 11 years of war may yet get off the ground. Cambodian Prince Norodom Sihanouk, one of the country's best known leaders, has finally agreed to attend the stalled peace talks in Indonesia. His presence means the Vietnamese-backed Cambodian government also will attend the talks with rival factions warring for control of the Southeast Asia country.

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MONTREAL (SEPT. 6) UPI - The Canadian Paperworkers Union and Abitibi-Price Inc. will meet one more time in an attempt to avert a strike next week by 4,500 workers at nine mills in eastern Canada, a union official said Thursday.

CPU spokesman Serge Lord said the union and company were called back to the bargaining table by government conciliators for a session in Toronto Friday.

''If the company doesn't want a strike, we'll get a contract,'' Lord said.

The Abitibi-Price workers voted 77 percent to take strike action against the company beginning at 8 a.m. EDT Monday unless a new contract is reached, the CPU said. The newsprint and speciality paper workers operate two mills in Newfoundland, three in Quebec and four in Ontario.

Sharon Paul, a spokeswoman for Toronto-based Abitibi-Price, said Friday's meeting will focus on contract language and pick up where talks left off when adjourned Aug. 20.

''We are hopeful that we can reach an agreement,'' Paul said.

Talks between the two sides began in April when agendas were exchanged and were followed up with meetings in June and August to deal with local issues, Lord said.

Although many local issues were resolved, Lord said, ''there's (still) a lot of work to be done before a settlement is reached.''

Lord said the talks were stalled principally on two issues: flexibility for tradesmen and running time on statutory holidays.

Paul said both issues were on the table but didn't attach any specific importance to them.

Lord said the company has agreed to a three-year wage package which will boost workers salaries 72 cents in the first year and 5.5 percent in the second and third years.

The wage package was part of a deal struck in early July between the CPU and Stone-Consolidated Inc. for 2,350 paperworkers in Quebec. The union said the deal was to be the basis for talks with the rest of the industry in eastern Canada.

The Stone-Consolidated settlement, however, was only ratified by 56 percent of the workers.

The settlement did not provide any health and safety improvements and none of the job security and cost-of-living adjustments measures the union proposed.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Biomet Inc (1st Q 8-31)	
$46,110,000	$37,758,000
$8,796,000 (.32)	$6,514,000 (.24)
Brendle's Inc (2nd Q 8-4)	
$61,504,000	$53,415,000
d-$1,455,000	d-$1,044,000
d-Deficit	
Canadian Inpl Bank (3rd Q 7-31)	
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$198,000,000 (.97)	$195,000,000 (1.04)
Edison Bros Stores (2nd Q 8-4)	
$273,000,000	$228,200,000
a-$10,800,000 (.51)	$8,600,000 (.43)

a-Includes an unusual after-tax gain of $2.9 million that was offset by other unusual transactions. The gain was from the purchase of anuity contracts by the company's pension.

Farm House Foods (1st Q 7-21)
$26,313,000 $27,491,000
d-$1,965,000 d-$3,044,000
d-Deficit.

Grafton Group (2nd Q 7-31)
$139,409,000 $131,424,000
d-$1,873,000 d-$79,000
d-Deficit.

GTC Transcont'l (3rd Q 7-31)
$101,159,000 $86,532,000
d-$210,000 $1,688,000 (.08)

GW Utilities (Year 6-30)
$103,000,000 $100,000,000
$42,000,000 (1.07) $41,000,000 (1.04)

Kasler Corp (3rd Q 7-31)
$38,272,000 $30,787,000
$812,000 (.15) $407,000 (.08)

Perry Drug Stores (3rd Q 7-31)
$159,312,000 $163,881,000
$724,000 (.07) $848,000 (.08)

Pic 'N' Save (2nd Q 7-29)
$112,676,000 $101,772,000
d-$9,298,000 $6,403,000 (.18)
d-Deficit.

Standard Brands Paint (2nd Q 7-29)
$79,854,000 $87,463,000
d-$3,865,000 $1,936,000 (.27)
d-Deficit

Torco Co (4th Q 7-31)
$175,923,000 $137,455,000
d-$1,654,000 $2,264,000 (.21)

United Gaming Inc (4th Q 6-30)
$25,894,000 $18,010,000
$72,000 (.01) $1,449,000 (.17)

Western Waste Indus (4th Q 6-30)
$45,072,000 $38,821,000
$2,784,000 (.21) $1,860,000 (.18)

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HARRISBURG, PA (SEPT. 6) UPI - The state has notified the federal courts it is appealing a federal judge's ruling striking down the major provisions of Pennsylvania's abortion control law, Attorney General Ernie Preate Jr. said Thursday.

Preate said a notice of appeal was sent to U.S. District Court in Philadelphia Wednesday, the first step in appealing District Judge Daniel Huyett's Aug. 24 permanent injunctions to the 3rd Circuit Court of Appeals.

The case, involving the most restrictive state abortion law in the country is expected to be appealed all the way to the Supreme Court as a challenge to Roe v. Wade, the 1973 Supreme Court ruling legalizing abortion.

In a 191-page opinion, Huyett said the law is unconstitutional under Roe vs. Wade. He criticized its claims of safeguarding maternal and fetal health as ''a pretense'' to restrict women's rights to abortion.

Signed last November by Democratic Gov. Robert P. Casey, the 1989 Abortion Control Act imposed a 24-hour waiting period on abortions, required wives to notify their husbands and barred most abortions after 24 weeks. Huyett struck down those provisions, as well as a parental consent provision in a 1988 law.

He had already imposed preliminary injunctions on most of the provisions, and made his ruling after a trial in Reading, Pa. in July.

Preate said Thursday that Huyett may have permitted his own views on abortion to let him overshadow the Supreme Court's recent decisions giving the states more latitude in restricting abortion.

''We believe that Judge Huyett, perhaps influenced by his personal views on abortion which he openly expressed in his opinion, failed to accord the deference to legislative policy decisions which the law now requires,'' Preate said.

Casey spokesman Vince Carocci said the governor concurs with the appeal.

American Civil Liberties Union lawyers, who sought the permanent injunction, predicted Pennsylvania's law or a far more restrictive law passed in the territory of Guam are the mostly likely cases to present the Supreme Court with a chance to review Roe.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - Police in Cumming, Georgia, say a student wielding a gun took hostages at South Forsyth Middle School today and officers surrounded the school and began negotiations. Police say the number or ages of the hostages were NOT known. A school spokeswoman says the gunman apparently released at least some of the girls being held in the classroom. She says several shots were fired, but NO one was injured.

Mikhail Gorbachev may become the first Soviet leader to ever visit Japan next April. And the trip could go a long way toward easing years of strained relations between the two countries. Or, it may NOT. A major stumbling point has always been the move by the Soviet Union in declaring war against Japan in the closing days of World War Two. Moscow then occupied four small islands off the northern coast of Japan- islands it still controls.

Japanese sources say deposed Chinese communist party leader Zhao Ziyang surfaced in public for the first time since his ouster for crushing the democracy last year. Japanese diplomats say 71- year-old Zhao and his wife played a round of golf this at the Beijing International Golf Course. Zhao reportedly has spent most of the past year at a courtyard house in Beijing.

A Canadian tourist in New York was shot and wounded in the second incident of violence involving a tourist this week. Carol Espirit of Toronto is reported in stable condition in a New York hospital. Police say Espirit was driving in Brooklyn when a gunman firing at police took over her car, crashed it into two parked cars while continuing the shoot-out with police. The man finally abandoned the car, but Espirit suffered a gunshot wound to the back. Jesus Cruz was charged with attempted murder in the shooting spree.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 63-66.

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EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 6) UPI - U.S. military authorities Thursday unveiled a huge field hospital, a 500-bed network of air-conditioned tents built to deal with large-scale casualties should war erupt with Iraq.

Press tours have emphasized the huge numbers of U.S. troops massing in the region, but the sprawling tent city named Fleet Hospital Five graphically reminded visitors the Pentagon is also preparing for any eventuality.

''We hope that it's a brief, boring time over here,'' said Lt. Cmdr. John Duckett, 36, a lung specialist. Like many others at the hospital, he hopes to remain ''unemployed'' in Saudi Arabia.

''We are here to do good,'' he said. ''We hope that some guys pull through because of us, who would not otherwise.''

The hospital, with its rows of vacant beds that could someday be occupied, provides yet another example of the military's can-do spirit that has pervaded the U.S. operation in the desert kingdom.

Twelve days ago, a Maritime Preposition Ship stationed at the Indian Ocean base of Diego Garcia disgorged hundreds of containers holding tents and vast quantities of medical equipment.

Naval construction battalion teams swung into action, erecting the 20 by 100-foot caramel-colored tents that now shelter wards, operating theaters, laboratories and intensive care units.

A total of 24 tents stand on a 28-acre paved area beside the ocean, but when all ancillary structures such as administrative offices and mess halls are established, the total complex should have more than 100 tents.

Two hospital ships are standing by offshore in the gulf.

Capt. Richard Mayo, the hospital commander, said the 500-bed facility is larger than any naval ground facility in Vietnam. ''We have it all,'' he said. ''We are a little city.''

Virtually all of the equipment is new and Mayo predicted the state-of-the-art facilities could result in a ''substantially'' higher survival rate for any wounded than in Vietnam, where in turn the emergency medical facilities gave far greater chances for wounded than those in World War II.

Mayo said the hospital would be fully operational ''within the week'' and able to match virtually any American hospital with facilities that include surgery, X-rays, dentistry, laboratory work and psychiatry.

It has about 900 staff, of whom 800 are medical personnel, with doctors

trained in full treatment of any type combat wound. There are also specialists for helping victims of chemical warfare, Mayo said.

One of the first patients admitted Thursday was a young Marine who had accidentally crushed his hand.

Nurses dressed in camouflage fatigues busily treated the patient inside a ward, the double-layer tent billowing under the cooling draft of an air conditioner. Helicopters clattered overhead, and this would be the main way wounded would be lifted to the hospital if conflict breaks out.

''This is a very large unit compared with a MASH unit,'' Mayo said, when asked how his facility compared with the Korean War Mobile Army Surgical Hospitals popularized by the television series. ''They did not have the luxury of air conditioning ... or the up-to-date equipment.''

The officer said the facility would also treat allied Arab soldiers ''if the case arose,'' but the primary responsibility was to treat American personnel.

''We are preparing for casualties,'' said Corpsman Alan Bowman, 36, of Millesburg, Pa. ''That's our job: taking care of the wounded.''

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TOPEKA, KS (SEPT. 6) UPI - President Bush accepted an offer Thursday to deliver a broadcast on Iraqi television, calling it ''a real opportunity'' to get his message to the people of Iraq, a spokesman said.

White house press secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters aboard Air Force One en route to Topeka ''we have not heard from Iraq directly, ''

The Iraqi information minister Thursday announced Iraq was inviting Bush to address the Iraqi people.

''The president will tape a message in the next few days which will be provided to the Iraqi information minister,'' said Fitzwater.

Fitzwater told reporters: ''The president has a very distinct message that he wants to give to the people of Iraq (about) our purpose for being in the gulf. He thinks this is a good opportunity.''

Asked if the Iraqis would edit, censor or possibly renege on their offer, Fitzwater said ''we take them at their word.''

''We obviously will produce a complete message,'' he added. ''We assume

that their offer means that we will broadcast it in its entirety, and certainly we will make it available to the rest of the world.''

He said he expected that the broadcast would be aired sometime next week.

In a sqeich prepared for delivery at a fund-raiser for Kansas Gov. Mike Hayden, Bush delcared the U.S. military mission in the Persian Gulf may not be easy ''but it will always be right'' and pledged to do whatever is necessary to restore peace in the region.

Bush made the remarks on the eve of his departure for the Helsinki summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

In the address, Bush touched briefly on what he called ''the issue central to our minds and hearts: the crisis in the Persian Gulf.''

He told the Republican gathering that the U.S. objectives in the military buildup in the gulf following the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait remain unchanged.

''We will not stand by while one country devours another unthreatening country whole,'' he said. ''We will stand firm against the aggression now condemned around the world.

''Our cause may not be easy, but it will always be right. So we will do whatever it takes to help our men and women restore peace and, thus, complete their mission.''

He noted that the United Nations, with 22 countries involved, is ''stading with us against a brutal aggression.''

Bush said that during their one-day meeting in the Finnish capital Sunday, he and Gorbachev will talk about the gulf crisis and other issues.

''This meeting can further expand cooperation between the United States and Soviet Union,'' he said.

In the meantime, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater denied a report that Bush would offer Gorbachev aid if the Soviet Union pulls some 200 military advisers out of Iraq.

Fitzwater said that the United States is sticking to the criteria laid down at the Houston economic summit meeting in July that called for Soviet economic reform and progress in its transformation to a free market before financial assistance is given.

The president's speech dealt with a potpourri of domestic issues and a pitch for Hayden, as well as the gulf crisis.

Bush said time is running out for the budget negotiators to reach an agreement before the Oct. 1 deadline. Otherwise a cut of $105 billion in government spending has been mandated by law.

''I pledge to work with the leaders of Congress on both sides of the aisle to get an agreement that makes real cuts in the deficit and eliminates the deficit within five years,'' he said. ''The time for partisanship is past. The time for action is now. Let's fix this budget mess once and for all.''

Administration and congressional negotiators will go into seclusion at Andrews Air Force Base on Friday and Saturday for a showdown summit meeting to seek a compromise on proposals for slashing the deficit.

The administration still hopes to achieve the Gramm-Rudman goal of $50 million in spending cuts and tax increases for fiscal 1991, but some congressional summiteers are indicating that figure may have to be sliced because of the impact of the gulf mission.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - The United States is hoping to begin an airlift from Kuwait within the next several days to evacuate the trapped 2,500 Americans from the Iraqi-held Persian Gulf emirate, the State Department said Thursday.

There were no details about plans for the operation, although the State Department said the airlift would be carried out from Kuwait through Baghdad and on to Amman, Jordan.

Through radio broadcasts, the State Department warned the American women and children in Kuwait not to try to drive to Baghdad without their husbands and fathers because of ''difficulties'' they would face making the trip and ''in light of the prospects for air evacuation.''

Americans in Kuwait were advised to contact the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait City by telephone if they have not been in touch with the embassy in the past three days, but warned against trying to get to the embassy compound. The broadcasts were carried by the Voice of America and the British Broadcasting Corp.

''If you cannot get through, keep trying,'' the notification said. ''Do not, repeat, do not attempt to go to the embassy compound, where Iraqi military are still positioned.''

Iraqi forces surrounded the embassy several weeks ago after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein demanded that all of the embassies in Kuwait be

closed in a move that would legitimize the Iraqi annexation of Kuwait.

The United States and other countries have refused the order and Ambassador Nathaniel Howell continues to hold out in the embassy with a small staff in the face of dwindling supplies of food and water. There was no indication if Howell and his staff would be evacuated with other Americans in Kuwait.

Notification of the possible air evacuation came two days after 25 Americans were among 300 other hostages who were airlifted from Baghdad to Amman aboard three Iraqi jetliners. All 25 were women and children.

The State Department said it was continuing to press Iraq to allow all U.S. citizens to leave Kuwait and Iraq, not only women and children.

''We continue to make plans for the orderly evacuation of American citizens out of the country,'' the broadcast said. ''We are hoping to start air evacuation within the next few days from Kuwait through Baghdad to Amman.

''Iraqi authorities have said that only women and children will be permitted to leave, but we are continuing to urge that all American citizens be permitted to leave Kuwait and Iraq.

''Women and children attempting the drive to Baghdad unaccompanied by their spouses may face difficulties. As a result, and in light of the prospects for air evacuation, we recommend that Americans do not attempt the overland journey at this time.

''Please monitor VOA for updates of evacuation plans.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Seasoned American travelers picked American Airlines as the top domestic carrier and Singapore Airlines as the best of the foreign carriers, a survey reported Thursday. Russia's Aeroflot ended up at the bottom.

Foreign carriers dominated the Zagat Airline Survey, conducted by Research & Forecasts Inc. of New York.

Besides Singapore Airlines, the top 10 in ''overall ratings'' were Swissair, JAL-Japan Air Lines, SAS, Quantas, Lufthansa, KLM, British Airways, Air France and Varig.

In addition to American, the top 10 domestic airlines in best overall ratings were Delta, United, Midway, Piedmont, TWA, Pan Am, Northwest, US

Air and Continental.

Aeroflot was named the flying public's least favorite airline with the lowest ratings in all service and comfort categories.

Financially beleaguered Eastern received the lowest ratings in all categories for a domestic airline - comfort, service, punctuality, food, and ''bang for a buck.''

''The airline ranked number 11, but clearly the highest-rated U.S. domestic airline was American Airlines,'' the survey said.

In a special ''bang for a buck'' rating relating the cost of flights to good service and comfort, Virgin Atlantic and Midway airlines led the list.

Tim Zagat, who publishes national restaurant, hotel, and rental car guides with his wife, Nina, said at a press conference he hoped the airline industry ''will look at this data, take it seriously and act on it where warranted.''

Nicholas Tortorello, chairman of Research & Forecasts, said the survey drew on responses from 4,462 ''educated'' frequent travelers who were asked to rate 27 major U.S. and foreign carriers, list major irritations and suggest innovations.

He said that in selecting the best airlines, some respondents said the picked ''only the best of a bad bunch.''

Half of those surveyed said their biggest complaints centered around delays, no matter what the cause.

''The views of Zagat travelers suggest that the spate of airline mergers and acquisitions has not helped the traveling public and travelers feel their choice of carriers, routes and service has dwindled,'' Tortorello reported.

''Many feel that airline concern for them is diminishing as well. They are increasingly feeling like hostages to airlines and their connecting hubs. They want more comfortable seating, consistent pricing, better food and fewer delays.''

Tortorello noted that although 10 foreign airlines outranked American in overall ratings, the number of travelers who rated American Airlines tops was close to six times the number who rated Singapore as the world's best.

He said this reflects a far broader base of Zagat travelers who were familiar with American and who travel more domestically than abroad.

Singapore was lauded by travelers for treating passengers like ''honored guests'' or ''oriental royalty,'' and JAL was singled out for ''cleanliness'' and ''gracious service.''

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#90249u1044 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - Biology education starts too late in American schools and classes offered in later grades ''almost seem designed to snuff out interest'' in the vital science, a report said Thursday.

''We do not start teaching science early enough, and we reduce science to a language of foreign terms to be memorized,'' warned a panel of experts convened by the National Research Council.

In a 152-page report, the committee called on the research council to create a standing commission devoted soley to improving science education in the United States. ''The necessary changes cannot be made unless there is a permanent organization to monitor and organize them,'' the report said.

The experts called for instruction in biology and other natural sciences to start as early as kindergarten, with science being considered a basic subject like reading, writing or mathematics. The 13- member panel suggested ''science stories'' be integrated into reading and other language arts classes.

For most U.S. students planning to go to college, their first exposure to biology comes in middle school and about 75 percent of all students go on to take a high school biology class.

However, the quality of biology education most middle school and high school students receive is not very good, the committee found.

''We do not have a teaching corps trained for the task and we introduce students to science ... with a curriculum that seems almost designed to snuff out interest,'' the report said.

Furthermore, the committee said: ''We teach from textbooks that are often too long, are abysmally crafted, and are written with little or no understanding of biological concepts and with the implicit aim of avoiding offense to a scientifically illiterate segment of the adult population.''

Standardized tests that focus mainly on the memorization of biological terms also came under attack, with the experts saying such an approach fails to show students that science is a ''an intellectual voyage of exploration.''

Half of high school students who never take a class in biology do as well or better on standard biology tests than 40 percent of students who completed biology courses.

''Most students leave the experience with the conviction that further exposure to science is something to be avoided if at all possible,'' the report said.

Timothy Goldrmeth, chairman of the committee and a biology professor at Yale University in New Haven, Conn., said a solid background in science is growing increasingly important as our society comes to rely more heavily on technology.

''We must have an educated citizenry that can lead healthy lives, help to preserve a threatened environment .. and sustain our competetiveness in world markets,'' Goldsmith told a news conference.

The scientific community is partly to blame, along with parents, educators and politicians, for the sorry state of science education in the United States. ''Individually, many scientists have worked to improve education. Collectively, however, the profession has been too aloof from their dedicated colleagues in the schools,'' Golsmith said.

The National Research Council is the research arm of the National Academy of Sciences, a private organization chartered by Congress to examine questions of science and technology.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled 370,000 for the week ending Aug. 25, a decrease of 12,000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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DRAPER, UT (SEPT. 6) UPI - Authorities stepped up the search Thursday for a double murderer and a career criminal who escaped from the Utah State Prison apparently by riding in a hidden compartment of a state pickup truck.

The truck was discovered abandoned Wednesday afternoon in the South Fork area of the American Fork Canyon, near the Utah-Wasatch County line, about 15 miles from the prison, but the felons remained at large.

The escape at the prison 20 miles south of Salt Lake City occurred about 9:40 a.m. MDT Wednesday.

The escaped convicts were identified as Gerald Paul Brown, 47, of Lehi, Utah, convicted twice of murder; and Rick Don George, 38, of Avalon, Calif., who went on a spree of armed robberies in Salt Lake City when he escaped in July 1985.

Utah Corrections Department spokesman Dave Franchina said a large section of the American Fork Canyon remained sealed off as law enforcement authorities combed the area where the truck was found.

Franchina said a search of the pickup revealed ''a tool bin portion of the utility bin had been altered to create a small compartment in which the two inmates were able to conceal themselves when it went through the gates and inspection.''

''We're trying to determine when it (compartment) was made and who had access,'' he said, adding authorities were on the lookout for the convicts in the rest of Utah and other states.

There had been no confirmed sightings of the escapees, and officials were unsure if they remained in the canyon area. Franchina said he could not confirm a report of a break-in Wednesday to a cabin in the area, and said it was unclear if an accomplice was involved in the escape.

Brown was sentenced to die but his death sentence was commuted in March 1980 to life in prison by the Utah Supreme Court.

George had served previous prison terms for robbery and aggravated robbery and was sent to prison most recently in 1985 for robbery and being an habitual criminal. His next parole hearing was set for 2004.

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TORONTO (SEPT. 6) UPI - Ontario Premier David Peterson and his government faced possible defeat Thursday at the hands of socialist challengers as millions of voters cast ballots in a provincial election.

Peterson, Ontario's premier since 1985, admits his governing Liberal party is in a tight race with the socialist New Democratic Party.

''This has come down to a two-way horse race,'' Peterson told supporters Wednesday. ''We've got to keep fighting to the end. It's going to be close.''

Polls close at 8 p.m. EDT and results are expected to be available about an hour later.

The Liberals seemed headed for a huge win when Peterson called the election July 30, but into the voting Thursday they trailed the left- wing NDP in the polls.

Although Peterson denies it, polls indicate he is trailing the NDP candidate in his own London Center riding by 14 percent. Peterson has held the riding since 1975.

Voter disgust with an election being called years before legally required to do so, growing skepticism about the government's integrity and anger over tax increases and policies like no-fault car insurance have worked against Peterson and the Liberals.

On July 30, the Liberals held 93 of the Ontario Legislature's 130 seats, the NDP 18 and the Progressive Conservatives 17. There were two vacant seats.

But last week, a poll indicated the NDP would form a minority government, wherein a party does not hold a clear majority of seats in the Legislature but holds more than any other party. Opposition parties, who combined may hold more seats than the government, can vote together in the Legislature at any time to defeat the government.

Many Canadians favor minority governments, perceiving them to be more responsive, active governments.

The Progressive Conservatives are running third due largely to a disorganized party structure and a new, unknown leader in Mike Harris who is viewed as a clone of the highly unpopular Progressive Conservative prime minister of Canada, Brian Mulroney.

The NDP surge in the polls has turned the normally upbeat, soothing sounding Peterson into a shrill doomsayer who warns NDP policies will wreak havoc on the economy of Canada's most prosperous province.

NDP leader Bob Rae countered that Peterson is scaremongering in a desperate bid to hold power.

''We intend to build confidence in the economy ... and we intend to do whatever we can to build an economy stronger than the one we have right now,'' Rae said.

Political scientists and Canadian businessmen say Americans shouldn't fear an NDP government.

''Ontario is going to be a good or bad place for Americans no matter who is in power,'' said Gord White, a political science professor at the University of Toronto.

Although the NDP advocates closing corporate tax loopholes, scrapping the Canada-U.S. free trade deal and raising the minimum wage, ''it's going to be hard for them to make sweeping changes,'' White said.

David McFadden, president of the Toronto-based Canada-U.S. Business Association, said while the NDP platform is worrisome, the American business community will likely wait and see how party policies translate to reality.

''You can't defy economic gravity,'' he said.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

U.S. diplomats in Iraq and Kuwait investigated Thursday a report that Iraqi troops shot and wounded an American man in Kuwait. President Bush has said he would hold Iraqi President Saddam Hussein responsible for the welfare of U.S. and other Western hostages in Iraq and Kuwait, being held to guard against attack by a U.S.-led multinational force in the region.

PARIS - More than 153 former hostages, including 105 French women and children, arrived at Orly Airport Thursday from Amman aboard an Air France jetliner. The Foreign Ministry said among the passengers were 28 British citizens and 12 Americans, three Belgians, two Spaniards, two Italians and a West German.

BAGHDAD - Iraq was calling up more reservists. Baghdad Radio said reserve officers and men born in 1953 were called up for ''active duty.'' But Cairo Radio said Iraqi reservist officers involved in ''chemical warfare had not been called up'' to boost Baghdad's 1 million-strong army, parts of which are facing U.S.-led troops across the Saudi border.

India, China and Iran indicated Thursday they may supply Iraq with food and medicine despite U.N. sanctions imposed after Baghdad invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.The United States has said U.N. sanctions allow for delivery of emergency food and medicine but contends there is not yet an emerency and no shipments should go through.

TOPEKA, Kan. - President Bush accepted an offer to deliver a broadcast on Iraqi television, calling it ''a real opportunity'' to get his message to the people of Iraq, a spokesman said. The invitation followed Bush's complaint that U.S. television has given Saddam ample opportunity to tell his side of the crisis but that Iraq had not reciprocated.

Secretary of State James Baker was reported on his way to Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Europe before attending the Helsinki superpower summit. Baker was apparently solicting contributions for the upkeep of the U.S-led multinational force in the oil-rich kingdom. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady was on a similar mission to South Korea and Japan, Paris and London.

AMMAN, Jordan - U.N. officials called for international aid for about 60,000 mostly destitute Asian workers from Iraq and Kuwait trapped without adequate food, water or shelter in the desert along the Iraq- Jordanian border. Jordan said it cannot cope with the refugees and has been allowing only 20,000 refugees in a day.

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA - U.S. military authorities Thursday unveiled a huge field hospital, a 500-bed network of air-conditioned tents built to deal with large-scale casualties should war erupt with Iraq. Press tours have emphasized the huge numbers of U.S. troops in the region but the sprawling tent city reminded visitors the Pentagon is also preparing for any eventuality.

WASHINGTON - The United States is hoping to begin an airlift from Kuwait within days to evacuate the 2,500 trapped Americans from the Persian Gulf emirate, the State Department said Thursday. There were no details about the operation but the State Department said it would be carried out from Kuwait through Baghdad and on to Amman, Jordan.

BRUSSELS, Belgium - The world faces ''grave danger'' of aggression from a widening number of dictatorships if Iraq does not withdraw from Kuwait and release all hostages, NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner said Thursday in a speech. He said if Iraq succeeds in holding on to Kuwait it will encourage other dictatorships with sophisticated weapons to do the same with their neighbors.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - The United States is still trying to find out all it can about reports that an American has been shot and wounded by Iraqi troops in occupied Kuwait. The unidentified man is said to be in a military hospital. He reportedly was shot while trying to avoid arrest by Iraqi troops near his home.

The secretary general of NATO warns that if Iraq is NOT stopped in its current aggression than other dictatorships around the world may feel they are free to do what they want when they want. Manfred Woerner made the comments in a speach at a conference in Prague , Czechoslovakia.

President Bush plans to use Republican fund-raisers in Kansas and Florida

to drum up support in his budget fight with Congress and re- affirm U-S resolve in the Persian Gulf. Bush spends today on the road, campaigning in Topeka for Kansas Governor Mike Hayden and in Tallahassee for Florida Congressman Bill Grant.

Engineers are looking at the possibility that a faulty pump unit may be responsible for yesterday's scrub of the shuttle Columbia's astronomy mission. They've drained the fuel tank and are now looking for specific answers. If the pump package is found to be at fault, Columbia could be rescheduled for launch in about one week.

Forecasters say tropical storm Isidore in the Atlantic Ocean continues to gain strength and may become a hurricane by tomorrow. Miami forecasters say there's also a chance Isidore may turn more to the north and avoid land, but it's too early to tell. At last report, the storm was 800 miles west-southwest of the Cape Verde Islands with top winds of nearly 60 miles an hour.

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PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (SEPT. 6) UPI - A high-ranking committee of Roman Catholic and Jewish representatives Thursday condemned anti-Semitism as ''a sin against God and humanity'' and called for active efforts by the Catholic hierarchy to oppose it.

Several dozen representatives of the International Jewish Committee on Interreligious Consultations and the Pontifical Commission for Religious Relations with Jews met for three days in Prague to lay the basis for a Catholic document on the growing phenomenon in Eastern Europe.

The group, which last met in Rome in 1985, acknowledged that ''certain traditions of Catholic thought and teaching practice in the Middle Ages contributed to the creation of anti-semitism in Western society.''

''In modern times, many Catholics were not vigilant enough to react against manifestations of anti-semitism,'' said its closing statement, which was distributed at a news conference.

''The Catholic delegates condemned anti-semitism as well as all forms of racism as a sin against God and humanity and affirmed that one cannot be authentically Christian and engage in anti-Semitism.''

The conference recognized the importance of the Second Vatican Council in improving Catholic-Jewish relations as well as later efforts by church officials.

It also heard personal testimony from witnesses to the Holocaust during

World War II, both of courageous Christians as well as ''those who failed themselves as well as Jews and other victims'' in responding to Nazism and fascism.

''(The fact) that anti-Semitism found a place in Christian thought and practice calls for an act of Teshuvah (repentance) and of reconciliation on our part,'' said Archbishop Edward Cassidy, president of the pontifical commission.

The committee called for active efforts to fight anti-Semitism, including setting up special courses for priests to fight it, translating and disseminating all relevant church documents on Judaism in Eastern Europe, and monitoring and countering events which threaten an upsurge of anti-Semitism.

''A new image and a new attitude in Jewish-Catholic relationship are required,'' the group said. ''The liaison committee hopes that the new catechism for the universal church, now in preparation, could serve as an effective instrument to this end.''

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - Workers in Perth Amboy, New Jersey, are trying to clean up some of the oil that spilled yesterday from a six-Million-gallon storage tank... while others are busy transferring what's left in the tank to other storage areas. Authorities up to one-Million gallons of the heavy fuel oil spilled from the tank, but only about five-thousand gallons went into the Arthur Kill Waterway.

Health Secretary Sullivan released the nation's 289 health goals for the year 2000, saying good health is a benefit that should be available to all. Sullivan indicates the nation should focus on reducing the number of AIDS cases... curbing sex among teen-agers... cutting tobacco use... and promoting healthier diets and more exercise.

South African police say at least one person was killed and up to 20 people injured when factional fighting raged across platforms of a rail station and into the path of a slow-moving train. The battles occurred in the black township at Soweto just before a visit by black leader Nelson Mandela to gauge the extent of the strife.

Unprecedented talks between leaders of the two Koreas have ended with both sides agreeing to disagree on the divisions that separate them. But neither side will call the talks a failure, and it's possible there may be more.

The seventh annual M-T-V Video Music Awards will be held at the Universal

Amphitheater in Los Angeles tonight. The awards recognize the top music videos and performers of the past year. Award categories include best male female and group performers, and best rap, dance and heavy metal videos. Talent behind the camera also will be recognized with awards for video direction, choreography, special effects, art direction and editing.

The awards show also is to feature live performances from pop icon Madonna and controversial newcomer Sinead O'Connor. Among the favorites this year are perennial favorite Madonna and Paula Abdul. Other multiple nominees include Don Henley... Sinead O'Connor... Tears for Fears... Billy Joel... and Aerosmith.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 6) UPI - Constantine ''Tony'' Baruso, who for nine years avoided implication in the deaths of two anti-Marcos Filipinos despite the fact his gun was used in the slayings, was finally behind bars Thursday facing two counts of aggravated first-degree murder.

New evidence tying Baruso to the murders was evidently behind his arrest, although prosecutors did not initially release the information. Prosecutors and family members of the victims planned to hold news conferences later Thursday.

Dan Donohoe, a spokesman for the King County Prosecutors Office, said Baruso was charged Wednesday, arrested Wednesday night and was being held on $500,000 bail in the King County Jail. His arraignment was scheduled for Friday.

Baruso was president of Local 37 of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union on July 1, 1981, when three men burst into the local's Pioneer Square offices and gunned down Silme Domingo and Gene Viernes.

The two had worked to clean up the union's illegal gambling practices in Alaskan canneries and also had persuaded the union to pass a resolution opposing the repressive regime of Philippines President Ferdinand Marcos.

Family members of the victims and police long suspected Baruso hired the three hitmen and was the one who accepted $15,000 sent by the Marcos government through its U.S. agents to eliminate Domingo and Viernes.

When Baruso's Mac-10 .45 caliber submachine gun was identified as the murder weapon, he was briefly taken into custody in the fall of 1981. But he claimed the weapon had been stolen and, for lack of evidence, was released uncharged.

Three local Filipino gang members, Pompeo ''Ben'' Guloy Jr., Jimmie Ramil and Fortunato ''Tony'' Dictado, were convicted of killing Domingo and Viernes, who were of Filipino descent but were born and raised in Washington state. The three hitmen were sentenced to life in prison without possibility of parole.

A fourth man who accompanied them to the union hall but did not go in, Boy Pilay, testified against the killers at their trial. Pilay himself was murdered in January 1983.

Baruso invoked the Fifth Amendment 130 times during the trial, in which King County prosecutors contended the murders were the result of the Tulisan gang attempting to reassert its control over the union's illegal gambling activities.

But late last year, the families of the victims succeeded in their long quest to prove the murders were an attempt to squelch anti-Marcos sentiment in the United States.

A federal court jury found the late dictator's estate liable for $15.2 million in damages after deciding the plaintiffs' civil lawsuit had proved the Philippine government's involvement.

The families contended that Marcos, his wife, Imelda, and Gen. Fabian Ver, former chief of Philippine security, sent undercover agents to the United States to establish and operate a network of loyalists to work against anti-Marcos dissidents.

Last February, U.S. District Judge Barbara Rothstein ruled that Baruso and Dr. Leonilo Malabed of San Francisco, a friend of the late dictator, were liable for an additional $8.32 million in damages to the familes of Domingo and Viernes.

In her ruling, Rothstein wrote, ''The court concludes that plaintiffs have provided clear, cogent and convincing evidence that the Marcoses created and controlled an intelligence operation which plotted the murders of Domingo and Viernes and that funds were paid to Baruso and used to perpetrate the murders.''

Rothstein also said Baruso's claim that his submachine gun had been stolen before the murders had been ''thoroughly rebutted'' by his insurance agent Lucho Singe.

Malabed, who moved from the Philippines to San Francisco in 1954, was alleged by plaintiffs to have established the Mabuhay Corp., a radio station, in 1978, to serve as a slush fund for the pro-Marcos movement in the United States.

The plaintiffs also were able to show that Baruso was in San Francisco at the time of the murders and several days later deposited large sums of money into his bank accounts in Seattle, the judge said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - One Democrat and 11 Republicans - including two GOP leaders - Thursday were dubbed the ''Dirty Dozen of 1990'' by an environmental group that called them the ''worst polluter pals'' in Congress.

Environmental Action, the group that draws up the list each year, also presented its first ''lifetime achievement award'' to Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., who was originally named to the Dirty Dozen list in 1978 and who faces a tough re-election fight this year. Helms was not included in the 1990 Dirty Dozen listing.

Ruth Caplan, executive director of Environmental Action, said Helms was being singled out because of his long-standing opposition to a wide variety of environmental legislation.

''Jesse Helms was dirty 12 years ago and he's dirtier today,'' Caplan said.

Caplan said those named to the 1990 Dirty Dozen list were chosen on the basis of their voting records and ''acts of leadership'' against the environment. All those on the list are up for re-election.

''Every one of these guys is an enemy of the environment,'' Caplan said. They are the polluters' pals. They put special interests ahead of the health of their constituents. Their sorry environmental records ''tuents. Their sorry

In naming its dozen, Environmental Action came under fire itself from an anti-abortion group that said the environmental group wrongly included congressional votes on population control issues as a factor in compiling its list.

In particular, the National Right to Life Committee said lawmakers should not be penalized by environmentalists for voting against U.S. funding for a United Nations program that backs ''coercive abortion and ''oercive abortion and

''It is an outrageous distortion to claim that a congressman is anti-environment because he opposes compulsory abortion,'' said Douglas Johnson, the committee's legislative director.

Some - but not all - environmental activists have supported population

control efforts, saying the rising human tide threatens to overwhelm Earth's natural systems.

The two most prominent lawmakers on Environmental Action's list for 1990 were House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois and Assistant Senate GOP leader Alan Simpson of Wyoming.

Caplan said that in Environmental Action's assessment of key environmental votes, Michel never voted the ''environmentalist'' position. She also charged Michel spearheaded efforts in past sessions to weaken the Clean Water Act and other anti-pollution laws.

Simpson, a vocal critic of environmental activists, was cited for his ''rabid anti-environmentalism'' both in the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee and as a key player on the Senate floor. Caplan said Simpson opposed five major amendments to strengthen the pending clean air bill while adding a provision weakening regulation of radioactive emissions.

Others named were:

-Sen. Howell Heflin of Alabama, the lone Democrat cited. Heflin was criticized for opposing stricter pesticide regulation as a member of the Senate Agriculture Committee and voting against greater protection for streams in Alaska's Tongass National Forest, which includes the nation's only temperate rainforest.

-Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., cited for voting to open Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil exploration and for opposing strengthening amendments to the clean air bill.

-Rep. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, who is running to fill the Senate seat being vacated by retiring Sen. James McClure, R-Idaho. Craig was criticized for being a ''relentless crusader'' for mining, logging and ranching interests as a member of the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee.

-Rep. William Dannemeyer, R-Calif., blasted for being the sole member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee to vote against the clean air bill; for seeking to limit public participation in nuclear plant licensing; and for voting to limit the rights of toxic waste victims to sue polluters.

-Rep. Bill Emerson, R-Mo., who was criticized for voting against strengthening amendments to oil spill legislation even though his district suffered one of the worst inland oil spills in U.S. history in 1988 when a Shell Oil pipeline near the Gasconda River ruptured.

-Rep. Clyde Holloway, R-La. Holloway was accused of doing little about

toxic pollution even though his district has a high concentration of heavily polluting petrochemical plants and higher than average cancer rates.

-Rep. James Inhofe, R-Okla.. Caplan said Inhofe was ''waving the green flag'' in an Earth Day mailing to his constituents, but then voted against strengthening amendments to the clean air bill and sponsored legislation undercutting protection for the Tongass National Forest.

-Rep. Stan Parris, R-Va., who was cited for his ''pro-development'' stance as a member of the House Interior Committee. For example, Parris was criticized for supporting a highway in his district that would destroy valuable wetlands.

-Rep. Denny Smith, R-Ore. Smith was denounced for siding with the timber interests in their efforts to open up more federal lands to logging. Smith also was accused of opposing enactment of the Oregon Wilderness Act and Columbia Gorge Act.

-Rep. Arlan Stangeland, R-Minn., who was cited for repeatedly trying to weaken water pollution laws.

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DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 6) UPI - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker arrived in Saudi Arabia Thursday on the first leg of a Mideast tour prior to his attendance at the superpower summit in Helsinki, Finland, U.S. diplomats said.

Before leaving Washington, U.S. administration officials said Baker would discuss with Saudi King Fahd and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak developments in the Persian Gulf crisis and its possible consequences for the region.

Baker was expected to stay overnight in the Saudi Red Sea port of Jeddah before heading on Friday to the Saudi resort of Taif, where Kuwait's exiled emir is living.

The trip is partly to line up financial support for the U.S. military operations in Persian Gulf and to help nations such as Egypt, which are financially harmed by the economic embargo against Iraq.

After Saudi Arabia Baker was scheduled to fly to the United Arab Emirates for talks with UAE leaders Friday before arriving in Cairo and holding talks with Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid later the same day.

Baker was expected to hold talks with Mubarak in Egypt's Mediterranean

city of Alexandria Saturday morning before heading for Helsinki later the same day.

After Helsinki, Baker was expected to head for Brussels and Moscow for the two-plus-four ministerial meeting on a united Germany. The U.S. official was then expected to stop over in Bonn and Rome before returning to Washington.

In Washington Wednesday, the first signs of congressional reservations about U.S. policy in the Persian Gulf crisis emerged as Baker outlined U.S. plans to isolate Iraq and prevent future aggression.

Most members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee Wednesday echoed the praise that came one day earlier at a House Foreign Affairs Committee meeting, where Baker and President Bush were lauded for their moderation and firmness in the crisis, as well as their willingness to use international rather than American pressure.

Before the Foreign Relations Committee, Baker outlined the American goals just as he had the day before in the House: rolling back the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait; the restoration of Kuwait's ''legitimate government;'' the protection of the lives of American hostages; and a continuing American commitment to the protection of the Persian Gulf.

Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., said the military operation raises an unsettled constitutional question that will persist as long as a dispute continues between the legislative and executive branches over the War Powers Resolution.

President Bush did not invoke the resolution in sending troops to the gulf because he said he believes hostilities were not imminent.

Biden told Baker, ''I'm with you. I just want to know where we are going.''

Biden, Sen. Paul Sarbanes, D-Md., Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., and others raised questions about whether the United States should be using its great weight to re-install the autocratic, unelected emir of Kuwait and his family-run government.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 6) UPI - The California Supreme Court Thursday reversed 12 perjury convictions against ex-San Diego Mayor Roger Hedgecock and opened the way for possible reversal of a more serious conspiracy charge by permitting a hearing into alleged bailiff misconduct.

If Hedgecock is retried again on the perjury counts, involving his alleged

failure to report 1983 campaign contributions, it would be his third trial.

The conspiracy conviction could be reversed if a new San Diego trial judge finds a bailiff at his second trial tried to influence jurors to reach a speedy verdict and supplied alcohol to the sequestered panel members after their daily deliberations.

The judge first must be persuaded the hearing into juror misconduct is necessary, however.

The state's high court, in its 5-2 vote to reverse the perjury convictions found that the trial judge, William Todd, erred when he instructed jurors that Hedgecock's failure to report all his mayoral campaign contributions were significant misstatements that constituted perjury.

The issue should have been a question for jurors to decide, according to Justice Joyce Kenndard in the majority decision.

Hedgecock's first trial ended with jurors deadlocked 11-1 for conviction. But in his second trial, Hedgecock was convicted on the dozen counts of perjury and one count of conspiracy for failure to report $360,000 in contributions from the 1983 campaign that put him in the mayor's seat.

Hedgecock was sentenced to one year in jail and fined $1,000 but remained free on bail pending the outcome of his appeals. His license to practice law has been suspended pending the outcome of his appeals. He is currently a radio commentator in San Diego.

Hedgecock has used his talk show to criticize the criminal justice system, especially the lengthy appeals in the San Diego death penalty case of Robert Alton Harris, even though Hedgecock's own lawyer, Charles Sevilla, also defends Harris.

The charges against the former mayor stemmed from allegations that illegal donations were funneled into his campaign warchest from the now- defunct J. David & Co. firm.

Hedgecock was tried twice in 1985 on accusations he failed to report the $360,000 in illegal donations from the once prestigious La Jolla investment firm that later was revealed to be a sophisticated ponzi scheme.

Two principals in the case, J. David Dominelli and Nancy Hoover, pleaded guilty to conspiracy charges in the Hedgecock case and were sentenced to federal prison on fraud convictions related to the ponzi scheme.

Sevilla maintained that bailiff Allen Burroughs nudged the jurors toward conviction by plying some jurors with liquor and reminding them how much it was costing the county to house and feed the sequestered panel.

Burroughs also allegedly tried to define the law for jurors giving them a faulty example of what constitutes ''reasonable doubt.''

The bailiff also allegedly supplied alcohol at a party with jurors the night before the guilty verdict was returned, according to Sevilla.

Burroughs denied any misconduct.

A new trial judge must now consider whether Hedgecock should have a hearing into whether the bailiff's alleged actions prejudiced the verdict on the conspiracy charge.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - The grounding of the space shuttle Columbia by another mysterious hydrogen leak fueled criticism Thursday of NASA's attempts to get the shuttle program back off the ground and overall approach to space flight.

''It's sad and frustrating that we're reduced to - as a measure of success - getting one of these things off the ground,'' said John Logsdon, director of the Space Policy Institute at George Washington University. ''It just wasn't supposed to be this way.''

NASA scrubbed Columbia's scheduled launch Thursday on a 10-day astronomy mission when high levels of hydrogen gas were detected in the spaceship's engine room.

A previous hydrogen leak scrubbed the shuttle's launch in May and the entire fleet was grounded in July when another leak was detected in the shuttle Atlantis before its scheduled blastoff on a secret military mission.

NASA engineers thought they had traced the leaks to a defective fuel line valve and believed they had repaired the problem in Columbia by replacing the faulty equipment.

''They wheeled this thing back into the hangar for several weeks and then they roll it back out (to the launch pad) again and they've got another hydrogen leak. It's troubling,'' said Robert Park, a physics professor at the University of Maryland.

''You don't undertake any program of this complexity without some unexpected problems showing up and it takes a while to solve them. But the shuttle's been around a long time now. And to have these kinds of fundamental problems still coming up - the shuttle simply hasn't served

its purpose,'' Park said.

Park's comments came after a hearing sponsored by the Federation of American Scientists on the future of the space agency, which has come under increasing criticism because of a series of setbacks, including the leaks, the defective Hubble Space Telescope and design problems with the proposed space station.

''For a long time they would say publicly when there was criticism of risk or cost, 'Well the shuttle's a success-oriented program,''' said Richard Garwin, a space expert at IBM. ''What they really meant in a disingenuous, sneaky way of talking was, 'Well, we're only giving you the bill and the schedule for if we meet success at every point and we'll be back in case anything goes wrong for more time and for more money.'

The latest setback bodes poorly for the agency's prospects of getting its proposed $15 billion budget approved by Congress, said John Pike, a space analyst for the federation.

''It's more bad news at a time when NASA needs good news. It's certainly one in an unfortunately continuing series of demonstrations of technical shortcomings by an agency that we're paying for technical virtuosity,'' Pike said.

''It certainly does not reduce their political problem of having had a lot of bad news at a time when they are trying to get a major budget increase '' he said. ''I think that at this point part of the political reaction is going to be, 'Well as long as they aren't going to do anything they can not do it on $8 billion as easily as they can not do it on $15 billion.'''

But Stanley Rosen of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics defended the agency, saying problems are inevitable during complicated projects.

''There is a general of lack of understanding in the public and in the government sometimes about the difficulty of certain engineering projects. We expect ... magic,'' Rosen said. ''We are not participants in magic. We are trying to actually carry things out that are very difficult.''

Logsdon agreed problems like the fuel leak had to be expected because of the complexity of the shuttle. But he said the leak illustrated the need for alternatives to the shuttle.

''We don't have a space program to launch shuttles. We have shuttles to have a space program. We made a massive policy mistake in this country to depend totally on the shuttle for access to space,'' he said in a telephone interview.

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EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 6) UPI - Iraqi anti-aircraft batteries daily train their sights on U.S. and Saudi fighters sweeping the skies over occupied Kuwait, a region allied pilots have come to call ''the junkyard.''

It is a reference to the jumble of electronic signals used during the high-technology hide-and-seek duels above the desert, pilots said Thursday.

Officers of the III Marine Aircraft Wing are eagerly absorbing all the information at hand because if war breaks out they want to destroy Saddam Hussein's radar in minutes, his air power within 36 hours.

''We want about three to five minutes, and we're going to give him the most violent three to five minutes he's ever seen,'' said Maj. Gen. Royal N. Moore, the wing commander. ''We don't want to stay over the target for hours and hours.

''I'm not going to ever predict that it's going to be a cakewalk,'' said Moore. ''Its going to be very messy up there. A lot of lead's going to be in the air ... (but) if we do it right, the casualties will be light.''

The marine wing has more than 300 aircraft of eight varying types that include top-range F/A-18 fighters, A-6E bombers, Huey ''Cobra'' helicopter gunships and big transport choppers.

The marine air wing has a binding esprit d'corps, meaning the men in the skies care deeply about taking care of their comrades on the ground.

''Our friends who we went through training with are down there,'' said Capt. Tom Chaney, 33, of Los Angeles, who flies a Harrier jump jet. ''When we go up on a combat mission, we go up to protect the marines. We are their aerial canons.''

Moore was talking to a visiting group of reporters at the facility, the forward-most fixed-wing aircraft base to the Kuwaiti border. Its daily sorties are always being locked onto by Iraqi SAM-2 and SAM-3 anti-aircraft batteries.

''They have gone to the shoot phase, but nothing has gone off the rails,'' the general said. ''If he wants to turn on, we will take all the intelligence he can give us.''

Moore and pilots said the missiles inside Kuwait and Iraq have a 30-mile range, and they never fly closer than 80 miles. Other pilots have told of daily ''cat and mouse'' duels with Iraqi fighters, which retreat when locked on by U.S. and Saudi weapon systems.

''The Iraqis have set up a formidable air defense network, not only in their own country, but also in coastal Kuwait,'' said Capt. Rod Vonlipskey 33, an F/A-18 pilot from Philadelphia. ''They have indicated that they have something there to protect.''

In the event of war, a Marine EA-6B would enter the heavily monitored airspace and pinpoint where the Iraqi target acquisition radars are located. An Air Force F4-G ''Wild Weasel'' would then fire HARM or SHRIKE missiles that are designed to home in on the radars and possibly blind Baghdad's air force.

''This is the king of the junkyard,'' said Moore, climbing aboard an EA-6B which is coated with gold leaf to shield its pilots from a mix of radiation caused by powerful on-board electronics.

''Us and the weasel guys,'' Moore said.

About 60,000 Marines are scheduled to deploy in Saudi Arabia, and one of their possible missions could be to stage a seaborne assault on the Kuwait coast, reported to be bristling with defensive Iraqi weaponry.

Air power would be vital in such a risky operation, but Moore said if the U.S. force buildup continues, there will soon be enough ground power to retake Kuwait.

''There is always a back door,'' he explained. ''You can't defend everything. We have a theory along with the air force and others that we could roll back those guys, and I think we could do it very, very effectively. I'm talking about hours before the invasion.''

Moore said he believed Iraq's air power could be devastated within one and a half days, or even sooner if the United States attacked first and at night, when the Iraqi defense capability is less.

But he said there would still be a threat from so-called ''leaker'' aircraft that may sneak through air defenses by hiding behind commercial planes, a tactic he said was used by Baghdad during the gulf war with Iran when the USS Stark was hit by an French-built Exocet missile, killing 37 American sailors.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 6) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	77.37	77.85	77.25	77.82	77.27
Dec	75.60	75.85	75.45	75.82	75.62
Feb	74.67	74.87	74.47	74.80	74.60
Apr	75.35	75.57	75.25	75.47	75.32
Jun	73.30	73.55	73.25	73.42	73.30
Aug	71.75	71.77	71.55	71.55	71.52
Oct	71.80	71.80	71.50	71.65	71.55

Est. sales 13,467 contracts; Wednesday 14, 118; open interest 69,949 up 645.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Sep	87.02	87.30	86.80	87.00	87.02
Oct	85.85	86.10	85.55	86.05	85.75
Nov	85.80	86.05	85.65	85.92	85.72
Jan	85.00	85.35	84.85	85.35	85.05
Mar	83.75	84.00	83.65	84.00	83.70
Apr	82.70	83.05	82.70	82.95	82.75
May	81.60	81.90	81.60	81.80	81.60

Est. sales 1,363 contracts; Wednesday 1,312; open interest 9,653 up 94.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	49.45	49.60	49.22	49.35	49.27
Dec	50.30	50.55	50.15	50.20	50.17
Feb	48.30	48.40	48.05	48.15	48.20
Apr	44.47	44.75	44.25	44.30	44.52
Jun	48.75	49.00	48.70	48.70	48.80
Jly	....	49.15	48.95	49.15	49.10
Aug	....	47.90	47.75	47.90	47.90
Oct	....	....	43.55	43.60	43.60

Est. sales 4,806 contracts; Wednesday 5,918; open interest 28,043 off 466.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	51.60	52.15	51.30	52.05	51.10
Mar	51.30	52.10	51.30	52.00	51.12
May	52.20	52.75	52.10	52.47	51.65
Jly	53.10	53.50	53.07	53.50	52.50

Est. sales 2,404 contracts; Wednesday 2,156; open interest 6,366 up 50.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.84 down 13 cents, 700-850 lbs. 118.29 down 15 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 113.80 down 49 cents, 700-850 lbs. 113.27 down 37 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow to moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins not well established; skinned hams and seedless bellies steady to $1.00 higher; loins 14-18 lbs. 125.00-126.00, 18-22 lbs. 122.00; hams

17-20 lbs.90.00-92.00, 20-26 lbs. 89.00-91.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 35.00, 12-14 lbs. 38.00, 16-18 lbs. 37.00-38.00.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - Striking teachers ended walkouts Thursday in California, Michigan and Illinois as nearly 4,000 other unionized educators manned picket lines in wage and benefit disputes affecting more than 61,000 students nationwide.

Teachers in Michigan's Engadine school district reached tentative agreement Thursday on a contract for 48 teachers, ending a two-day strike. Classes for the Upper Peninsula district's 350 students were scheduled to resume Friday.

Strikes continued for a third day in five other Michigan districts. The walkouts involved 1,937 teachers and 33,200 students in Saginaw, Troy, Gwinn, Cheboygan and St. Igance. Bus drivers in Gaylord also remained on strike.

Classes resumed Thursday in Darien, Ill., a day after a DuPage County judge ruled a school strike illegal because teachers did not give five days notice of their intention to strike as required by state law.

The district's 110 teachers walked out Tuesday, extending summer vacation for 1,721 students. Talks with a mediator were scheduled for Saturday to resolve differences over salaries in the second and third years of a proposed contract.

''Hopefully we will be settled then,'' said Warren Johnson, the district's assistant superintendent.

Some 2,325 students and 117 teachers remained out of class a seventh day in the Mount Zion school district in Illinois. No new talks were scheduled.

Schools in Fremont, Calif., kept their doors open as 1,200 teachers completed a two-day walkout and prepared to return for classes Friday. The walkout was the fourth in six months for Fremont, which has 27,000 students in 42 schools.

In Rhode Island, 360 members of the North Kingstown school district began considering a contract offer hammered out in a 16-hour negotiating session officials said. Both sides declined to reveal details of the offer.

About 4,500 schoolchildren in the North Kingstown district had been scheduled to begin classes Wednesday but remained home because of the strike. School administrators postponed the start of classes until at

least Friday.

North Kingstown teachers Tuesday overwhelmingly rejected an offer from the School Committee. Union President Joseph Mercurio has said the teachers want a 7.3 percent raise in the first year and oppose a phased- in pay increase.

Teachers in two New Jersey school districts defied back-to-work orders in a second day of picketing.

A strike by 303 teachers and 28 secretaries in Deptford Township has disrupted classes for 3,330 students. Substitute teachers were hired in Deptford and in the South Orange-Maplewood School District, where a strike by 390 teachers and 182 support staff affected 4,800 students.

In Pennsylvania, seven school districts were on strikes involving 854 teachers and affecting 13,783 students. Teachers in the West Branch School District, with 74 faculty and 1,299 students, voted to go on strike Wednesday night after a bargaining session failed to produce an agreement.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - The commander of U-S forces in the Philippines warns American military and civilian personnel to be on the alert for attacks by communist rebels. Rear Admiral Thomas Mercer says Americans have been targeted for ''kidnapping and assassinations'' by the New Peoples Army. He warned that every individual is a potential target. U-S officials have suspended indefinitely all off-post leave and non-essential travel for 41-thousand U-S military and government workers.

President Bush takes up the G-O-P banner with campaign stops today in Kansas and Florida to drum up support for Republican candidates facing elections this fall. The president speaks at a Topeka fund-raiser this afternoon on behalf of Kansas Governor Mike Hayden. Later in the day, Bush heads to Tallahassee, Florida, to build the Republican coffers of Congressman Bill Grant. Elections this fall will see one-third of the Senate and the entire House up for grabs.

It's back to the drawing board for NASA, as engineers drain the shuttle Columbia of fuel and study preliminary data indicating the source of a fuel leak may be a faulty pump. Officials at Cape Canaveral held out hope that Columbia and its seven crewmembers may be ready for another lift-off try by the end of next week. But first, workers must find the leak and decide on a course of action. Columbia's countdown to launch early today was stopped when high levels of hydrogen gas were detected in the ship's engine room yesterday.

Researchers at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia say ultrasound may NOT be the best way to detect prostate cancer, the most common type of cancer in men. The 15-month study indicates that magnetic resonance imaging has a better accuracy rate than ultrasound, 69 percent to 58 percent. Prostate cancer claims 30-thousand lives a year and the American Cancer Society estimates 106-thousand new cases will be found this year.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 6) UPI - Talks between Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev resulted in little or no progress toward a solution of the Persian Gulf crisis, officials of both nations said Thursday.

Iraq requested Wednesday evening's surprise meeting in Moscow so Aziz could brief Gorbachev on the Iraqi position before the Soviet leader meets President Bush in Helsinki Sunday.

Aziz told a news conference before leaving Moscow Thursday there were still major differences between the two former allies over Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and occupation of Kuwait.

The Iraqi official said he and Gorbachev had a ''constructive, cordial and frank exchange of views'' and praised the Soviets for being willing to listen to the Iraqi side even though Moscow has condemned the invasion.

''Of course we know that we have different views vis-a-vis the situation in the (gulf) region,'' Aziz said. ''We respect the views of our Soviet friends and what we ask, what I have asked, is understanding of our view and our situation.''

The Soviets have insisted in previous meetings with Iraqi officials that Baghdad immediately withdraw its troops from Kuwait as the first step to ending the crisis and avoiding all-out war. Moscow has been disappointed by Iraq's refusal to comply.

Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov, in a lukewarm Soviet reaction to the meeting, said any talks were helpful in a time of crisis and added, ''I don't think it was a step backwards.

''As to whether it was a step forward, I think we should wait and see,'' Gerasimov said.

''When you exchange views you have the hope that maybe there will be something changed in the exchange,'' Gerasimov said. Asked if any change had been seen in the Iraqi position, he replied: ''I haven't noticed it.''

The surprise visit by Aziz came four days before Gorbachev and Bush were to meet in Helsinki to discuss the crisis that began with Iraq's invasion and occupation of Kuwait.

''I did not ask President Gorbachev to convey a message to President Bush '' Aziz said in answer to a question. ''We just had an exchange of views about our positions and it is up to him (Gorbachev) to use the information I gave and the arguments I put. I leave it to his judgment.''

Soviet officials, saying they hoped to use Moscow's ''special relationship'' with Baghdad to help negotiate a settlement to the crisis, have maintained contacts with Iraqi officials despite the Kremlin's condemnation of the invasion and support for U.N. sanctions.

''Contacts when conducted in a cordial constructive manner help in understanding each other's position,'' Aziz said. ''It doesnt necessarily mean full agreement but it leads to better understanding of the positions.''

He criticized the United States and Britain for what he called their ''negative, arrogant'' refusal to consider negotiations unless Iraq withdraws from Kuwait.

The Soviet Union has expressed disappointment at the results of talks last week in Amman between Aziz and U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, and Soviet officials have said they are hopeful the Gorbachev-Bush summit will be a step forward toward a solution.

The official Soviet news agency Tass said Gorbachev spoke by telephone with French President Francois Mitterrand Thursday as part of the continuing diplomatic effort to solve the gulf crisis, but no details were released.

''If the Soviet government would like to play a more active role in this issue we would welcome it,'' Aziz said.

He said in talks with both Perez de Cuellar and Gorbachev he had pushed Iraqi President Saadam Hussein's Aug. 12 proposal to tie the issue of Iraqi occupation of Kuwait with that of the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

''We the Arabs feel we are being abused,'' Aziz said. ''There is a double standard.''

Aziz said he felt the talks with the U.N. leader failed because Perez de Cuellar ''came to Amman in a straitjacket'' due to pressure from the United States and other powers in the Security Council.

Moscow cut off arms shipments to its onetime close ally in the gulf after the invasion of Kuwait, joined in nearly universal condemnation of the action and is supporting U.N. economic sanctions.

Aziz said Thursday the estimated 6,000 Soviet workers in Iraq, including 193 military advisers, were free to leave if they wanted to.

Soviet officials have responded to questions about the continued presence of military advisers by saying only they were in a ''delicate situation'' and would stay to complete their contracts.

Gerasimov said the Soviet workers were leaving Iraq as their contracts expired and added, ''I hope that minister Aziz is as good as his word when he said today Soviet specialists are free to leave.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy said Thursday after meeting with President Bush that Bush had agreed to provide Israel with the Patriot surface-to-air missiles it had requested.

''I'm leaving happy,'' said Levy, who also met Thursday with White House national security adviser Brent Scowcroft and held talks Wednesday with Secretary of State James Baker on the Persian Gulf crisis and other Middle East issues.

No details on the sale were available and at the Pentagon, spokesman Bob Hall said, ''I can't confirm anything on that (sale).''

Levy disclosed the administration had acquiesced to Israel's bid for the sophisticated weapons while on Capitol Hill for meetings with members of the Senate and House.

''The administration has repeated their undertaking to carry on and continue maintaining the qualitative edge for Israel's security and supply what it needs, including the Patriot,'' Levy said.

Speaking in Hebrew with an English translor, Levy told reporters at the White House that Bush agreed to supply Israel with ''the needs for its security.''

He said his 15-minute meeting with Bush centered on the joint role the U.S. and Israel will play in the Persian Gulf crisis sparked by Iraq;s invasion and occupation of Kuwait.

''Our goals are common and Israel is a partner and ally in all this challenge,'' he said.

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LONDON (SEPT. 6) UPI - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher urged members of Parliament Thursday to send a unified and unequivocal message to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that he must withdraw unconditionally from Kuwait and she vowed to use military force against him if necessary.

She also said she was considering sending more military forces to the Persian Gulf to join naval and air forces already there. No elaboration as offered.

The gulf crisis caused the House of Commons to return from recess - something it hadn't done since Argentina invaded the Falkland Islands in 1982.

In a speech opening the two-day debate, Thatcher called Saddam's invasion of his tiny neighboring emirate Aug. 2 - capturing land and a lucrative oil field - ''an outrageous breach of international law'' and ''a flagrant and blatant case of aggression.''

The prime minister said she hoped that economic sanctions imposed by the United Nations would prove adequate to force an Iraqi retreat, but also said Britain was not precluded from using military force to repel further attacks by Saddam's troops.

Howls of protest were heard from a minority of left-wing opposition Labor Party members.

The extremists, led by MP Tony Benn, received a pledge from Speaker Bernard Wetherill for a vote at the conclusion of the debate Friday afternoon. They planned to call for an assurance that Britain will not go to war without specific authorization from the U.N. Security Council.

Benn, one of the few vocal political opponents of the Falklands war, urged Thatcher to use extreme caution in the gulf.

''She knows the real anxiety, people think America may go to war and Britain, which is quite a minor part of the operation, will be dragged into it before the House resumes,'' he said.

Opposition Labor Party leader Neil Kinnock, who was largely supportive of Thatcher's handling of the crisis, said military action ''could shatter the unity that has been established,'' and urged that if further force is necessary, ''it should be taken under the full authority of the United Nations.''

Thatcher said U.N. Resolution 661, ''expressly affirms the inherent right of individuals to collective self-defense in response to the armed attack by Iraq against Kuwait.

''To undertake now to use no military force without the further authority of the Security Council would be to deprive ourselves of a right in international law expressly affirmed by Security Council Resolution 661, it would be to do injustice to the people of Kuwait who are unable to use effective force themselves, it would be to hand an advantage to Saddam Hussein, and it would be to put our own forces in greater peril.

''For these reason, I am not prepared to to limit our legitimate freedom of action,'' Thatcher said. ''Such a man must be stopped and we will persevere until he is.''

Kinnock said the world cannot risk letting Saddam continue to spread anti-West propaganda in the Arab world.

''The outcome that is necessary for security in the gulf and stability in the world cannot be limited only to the liberation of Kuwait, the freeing of the hostages and the removal of Saddam Hussein's ability to mount further military aggressions.

''The outcome which is necessary extends to completely depriving Saddam of any extra status and gains to his reputation in the eyes of other Arabs,'' he said.

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CUMMING, GA (SEPT. 6) UPI - A ''well-mannered'' teenager from ''a very nice home'' marched into school with two guns Thursday and held 40 classmates hostage before swapping his captives for candy and soda and surrendering to police.

No one was injured in the nearly five-hour standoff at South Forsyth Middle School between police and Randy Addis, a high school junior, said Forsyth County Sheriff Wesley Walraven.

''The hostages were threatened but not injured,'' Walraven said.

Addis seized control of a classroom and up to 40 students about 8:25 a.m., a Forsyth County sheriff's dispatcher said.

After a short round of negotiations with law enforcement officers, Addis freed most of the female students. He eventually released most of the male students as well, granting them freedom in exchange for Coca- Cola and candy bars, said Joyce Shadburn, the secretary of Forstyh County School

Superintendent Rick Case.

School officials said just six students were in the classroom when Addis surrendered. One of those students was a female friend who had been offered freedom but stayed inside the room in hopes of persuading Addis to surrender.

''She stayed of her own accord,'' Shadburn said. ''She knew the boy and figured she might could help some way.''

The incident began when two coaches confronted the suspect after spotting him carrying a rifle, a sheriff's dispatcher said.

Witnesses said one of the men disarmed the boy, but Addis then pulled a handgun, fired at least one shot and took students hostage in a classroom.

At one point in the negotiations, the youth demanded a bus with blackened windows.

Witnesses said the crisis ended about 2 p.m. when a hostage grabbed the weapon away from the gunman and forced Addis to surrender.

''He laid his gun on the desk,'' said an unidentified hostage. ''Some guy ... grabbed the gun and pointed it at him and said, 'It's over.'''

Officers promptly arrested Addis, a high school junior, and took him to the Forsyth County jail.

Walraven said Addis suffers from health problems. ''We would anticipate that played a part in it,'' the sheriff said.

Gloria Way, the mother of hostage Billy Way who is the suspect's best friend, said the incident could have been triggered by Addis' desire to go to Mexico.

''He's well mannered, has just super parents ... from a very nice home,'' she said. ''He just loves weapons. I don't know why. For some reason, Randy has hopes of going to Mexico. He told someone he wanted my son to go with him. I don't want my son to go to Mexico.''

Classes at South Forsyth, which houses both middle and high school students, were canceled, and parents were told to pick up their children at the front gate, Shadburn said.

Students milled around a parking lot at the opposite end of the school from where the hostages were, while waiting for their parents to pick them up.

Several parents who were unable to find their students among the crowd collapsed from heat exhaustion in the 90-degree weather.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

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NYSE Stocks - Sharply higher in light trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Sharply higher in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in slow trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in slow trading.

Dollar - Closed lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1/4 to up 1 3/4, soybeans up 5 1/2 to off 1/2, wheat up 1 3/4 to 2 3/4 and oats up 1 1/2 to 2 1/2.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 6) UPI - More than a month after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the international troops deployed in the Persian Gulf region wait for their leaders to decide whether they fight.

A leading Egyptian military analyst said Thursday that their battlefield fate will be decided by their firepower, not their numbers.

U.S. forces cull electronic signals and other details from Iraqi weaponry, getting to know their potential opponent. If war erupts they hope to destroy Iraqi radars in five minutes and its air power within 36 hours, U.S. military officials in Saudi Arabia said.

''The firepower now between the two parties is uncomparable, either from the fleet in the gulf, from the airplanes, from cruise missiles and other kinds of missiles,'' said retired Maj. Gen. Ahmed Abdel Halim, of the

National Center for Middle East Studies in Cairo.

Despite characterizations of a battle-tested 1 million-strong Iraqi army, forces deployed in Kuwait apparently have reached no more than 170,000 and Iraq's war experience against Iran during eight years of fighting cannot be widely used against its new opponent, Abdel Halim said.

''The reality is this kind of experience doesn't count,'' Abdel Halim said in an interview. ''The opponent is different. The nature of war is different because the experience (during the Iraq-Iran war) has been in defending in trenches.

''The weapons systems are completely different. The strategic thinking is completely different.''

The United States leads troop deployment in the region with American forces estimated at more than 40,000 to aid Saudi Arabia's 95,000-strong military. Washington plans to deploy thousands of troops more. Britain, France, Egypt, Syria, Morocco, Pakistan and Bangladesh also have stationed ground or air forces in the region and other countries have promised troops.

After a visit last week to American forces deployed in eastern Saudi Arabia, U.S. Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf said Iraqi forces were in a defensive mode but were receiving reinforcements and were capable of staging a swift assault. In talks with American officers at an air base command center, the overall commander of U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia gave the Iraqi military the thumbs down.

He described Iraqi military commanders as ''a bunch of thugs'' and gave a droll assessment of Iraqi morale.

''Let's face it. If (Saddam) dares to come across that border and comes down here, I'm completely confident that we are going to kick his butt when he gets here,'' Schwarzkopf told the officers.

Questions stand out in the military scenarios of a possible confrontation: Will Iraq use chemical weapons? Will Saddam Hussein believe an attack on Israel is advantageous to Iraq?

Abdel Halim, 51, a retired major general and recipient of 1985 international fellowship to the National Defense University in Washington, D.C., considers the two options long shots.

On the issue of chemical weapons, surprise is the key and if the opponent is prepared the effect would be minimal, he said. Advanced monitoring techniques by the United States also would wipe out most possibilities for Iraq to use missiles or airplanes to deliver the chemical weapons, Abdel

Halim said.

Concerning a strike against Israel, the retired military officer said he did not believe Saddam ''is that stupid'' because such an attack would further isolate him. Arab nations siding with the West against Iraq but technically at war with Israel, would not have time to change their alliances.

The next critical date is Sunday, Sept. 9, when Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and U.S. President Bush met in Helsinki.

''Next Sunday a decision should be taken and a consensus should be reached. Meanwhile, the military preparedness goes on,'' Abdel Halim said.

Military scenarios may come to naught if diplomatic moves win out, but Saddam's unpredictability and hard-headedness remain the live wire in the crisis, Abdel Halim said.

''The solution for the whole situation is in his (Saddam's) hands,'' Abdel Halim said. ''So far he is very stubborn. Nothing has changed.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Gold futures closed 320 to 360 points higher Thursday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	386.80	....	....	389.70	386.10
Oct	389.30	391.50	391.00	391.70	388.50
Dec	393.70	396.70	392.80	396.20	395.90
Feb	397.60	401.00	397.20	400.60	397.40
Apr	403.00	404.00	402.40	404.70	401.50
Jun	407.30	407.30	406.80	409.10	405.90
Aug	411.50	411.50	411.50	413.20	410.00
Oct	415.30	....	....	417.80	414.60
Dec	419.50	419.50	419.50	422.40	419.20
Feb	426.00	426.00	426.00	427.40	424.20
Apr	429.70	....	....	432.20	429.00
Jun	434.70	....	....	437.20	434.00

Open interest: 120,911 off 1,063.

Estimated sales: 37,000 contracts.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - The National Association of Manufacturers

predicted Thursday the U.S. economy will suffer through what would be the mildest recession in over two decades and rebound in mid-1991 despite the Middle East crisis.

"I think there's more good news than bad news," said Jerry Jasinowski, president on the industry group, in noting the United States was flirting with recession before Iraq's Aug. 2 inflation of Kuwait set off an international crisis that roiled global financial markets.

While the confrontation in the Persian Gulf is "a crisis in a political and human sense, I think it is an overstatement to indicate it is a crisis in an economic sense," he said.

The group's forecast follows Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's call to the people of Egypt and Saudi Arabia, both key U.S. allies, to overthrow their leaders and wage a holy war against the "infidels and their lackeys."

Nonetheless, as foreseen by the manufacturers, a U.S. recession would be "extremely mild, the mildest since the 1960s." This, he continued, would set the stage for a "nice, healthy rebound in 1991." Among the highlights of the manufacturers' forecast:

- Higher oil prices of approximately $24 to $27 a barrel in the wake of the invasion of Kuwait will trigger a recession starting this month that will last eight months.

- The federal budget deficit will worsen on higher military spending for Operation Desert Shield and lower tax revenues as the recession takes its toll on the domestic economy.

- The nation's trade deficit will shrink on a decline in the dollar and weaker consumer demand for imports, while exports will rebound and "show a total improvement of $40 billion," adjusted for inflation.

The forecast also warned higher energy prices will "have serious implications for economic and political stability" for the emerging democracies of Eastern Europe and "put a damper on growth" in industrialized Western Europe.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	387.00	up	4.75
Morning fixing	388.25	up	1.25

Afternoon fixing	387.50	up	0.50
Close	389.75	up	2.75
Paris	389.72	up	2.12
Zurich	387.50	up	1.00
Hong Kong	388.95	up	4.80
New York			
Comex spot close	389.70	up	3.60
Republic cash	390.00	up	2.75
Handy and Harman	387.50	up	4.20

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 388.81 up 4.21 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 408.25 up 4.42 per troy ounce.

Silver			
Comex spot close	4.77	up	0.035
Republic cash	4.795	up	0.025

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.765 per fine ounce up 0.02

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.81 up 0.025 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.147 up 0.027

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 483.00 off 4.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 583.00 off 4.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 111.00 unchangedper troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 126.00 unchanged.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - The White House says President Bush today accepted an offer to broadcast on Iraqi television. Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater told reporters on Air Force One en route to Kansas the United States has NOT heard from Iraq directly, but- quoting Fitzwater here- ''we accept this offer to broadcast a message to the Iraqi people.'' He says Bush will tape a message in the next few days which will be issued to Iraq's information minister.

Bush is traveling today to Kansas and Florida to garner support for U-S policy in the Persian Gulf. During speeches at Republican fund- raisers, Bush is expected to touch on the U-S objectives in the military build-up

in the gulf after Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2nd. The gulf crisis is also among the issues to be discussed when Bush and Soviet leader Gorbachev talk Sunday in Helsinki, Finland.

The State Department says the United States hopes to begin an airlift from Kuwait within several days to evacuate 25-hundred Americans trapped in the occupied Arab state. The government says the airlift would be carried out from Kuwait through Baghdad and on to Amman, Jordan. The State Department in radio broadcasts warned American women and children in Kuwait NOT to attempt driving to Baghdad without their husbands and fathers because of ''difficulties'' they would face making the trip.

Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami continue tracking the growth of Tropical Storm Isadore in the eastern Atlantic. They say it could reach hurricane strength later today. The storm now packs winds of 70 miles an hour, just four miles an hour under full hurricane force. At last report, Isadore was 800 miles west of the Cape Verde islands and moving northwest at 15 miles an hour. .

The national weather report is a mixed bag of heat, rain, lightning and floods... with just about everything possible for the day. Northern Lake Michigan was swept by heavy thunderstorms that produced lightning displays and brought out storm warning flags. The West is baking under sunny skies while New England prepares for rain tomorrow.

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ABOARD AIR FORCE ONE (SEPT. 6) UPI - President Bush made his maiden voyage Thursday aboard the new Air Force One, marveling at its high tech wonders and admitting that despite his combat pilot training ''I wouldn't understand how to start this thing.''

''This is really something, so much roomier (than the old Air Force One). My heavens,'' Bush gushed during a tour of the modified Boeing 747, the most expensive transport jet ever produced.

He made the inspection while en route from Washington to Topeka, Kan. for a GOP fundraiser.

Seated in his new rectangle office in the sky, Bush said ''this is marvelous in every way, latest technology. Certainly, very comfortable.''

Dubbed by some a ''flying Taj Mahal,'' the jumbo jet stands six stories high and is equiped with a secure worldwide communications system and anti-nuclear defense shield plus two galleys able to serve 100 meals at a sitting. It carries the same distinct blue and white color scheme chosen by President John Kennedy for the 707.

When asked as he toured the cockpit whether he had any interest in flying it, Bush, who was a torpedo bomber pilot in World War II, replied: ''I wouldn't understand how to start this thing.''

The plane, likened to the ''doomsday'' jumbo jets that were created as flying command centers in case of a nuclear war, has midair refueling capability. Asked by reporters when he might take a flight that requires in-flight refueling, the president said: ''Have plane, will travel.''

He will take his second journey on the plane Friday evening when he flies eight hours overnight to Helsinki, Finland for a Sunday summit meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

When he was seated at his desk in his rectangular ''office in the sky,'' Bush had his seat belt on. The belt buckle was engraved with the presidential seal.

''My pilot's training,'' he said. ''I always wear a seat belt for takeoffs and landings.''

Despite the aircraft's state-of-the art communications system, there were big glitches for wire service reporters traveling with the president. When reporters attempted to make in-flight calls to dictate stories on Bush's maiden voyage and decision to make a television broadcast to the Iraqi people, their calls were broken off three times.

The new plane, which was built by Boeing and designed by the Air Force, can hold a crew of 23 and 70 passsengers, about double capacity of the 707s.

Its wing span and deck space are 195 feet and 4,000 square feet respectively, compared with 145 feet and 1,260 feet for the old ones. It also has a complete medical unit, a built-in stairs and baggage loader.

The new presidential planes will nest at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., in a hangar built for two - and at a cost of $47 million.

The modified plane is the first of two new models of Air Force One that will replace a pair aging presidential 707's, one dating back to Kennedy, the other to Richard Nixon. The second 747 is to come on line next June.

The jetliner was two years overdue for its inaugural flight and cost an estimated $365 million over budget, but the cost-overrun was absorbed by Boeing.

Told he had done well, Bush said ''thank heavens somebody else did well for me five years ago.'' He referred to his predecessor, Ronald Reagan,

who ordered the plane but never got a chance to fly in it.

During its initial flight, Air Force stewards, who are very proud of the plane, admonished cameramen ''get your feet off the wall, we're trying to keep it nice in here.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 44 to 48 points higher. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.78	11.33	10.78	11.24	10.77
Mar	10.53	11.01	10.53	10.96	10.48
May	10.57	11.03	10.57	10.98	10.53
Jly	10.63	11.00	10.63	10.98	10.54
Oct	10.65	11.05	10.65	11.04	10.58

Estimated sales: 28,347 contracts

Open interest: 117,871 off 1,627

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.25

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday 5 to 21 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.39	23.39	23.30	23.35	23.40
Jan	23.10	23.10	23.02	23.08	23.15
Mar	22.95	22.95	22.85	22.91	23.01
May	23.10	23.10	22.88	22.92	23.02
Jly	23.00	23.00	22.85	22.92	23.02
Sep	22.85	22.92	22.85	22.92	23.03
Nov	22.78	22.80	22.55	22.68	22.89

Estimated sales: 523 contracts

Open interest: 10,293 up 96

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - Dismissal of charges against a former C-I-A station chief in the Iran-Contra scandal has been upheld by a federal appeals court. Joseph Fernandez had asked that classified documents be released at his trial and Attorney General Thornburgh then dismissed the charges on national security grounds. Special prosecutor Lawrence Walsh appealed Thornburgh's actions only to lose in two courts.

A federal judge in Baltimore dismissed a three-and-a-half-Million- dollar

negligence suit against Navy doctors filed by relatives of North Carolina Senator John East. He committed suicide in 1986 after having thyroid problems. The suit said Navy doctors did NOT diagnose East's medical condition promptly. As a result, it said East suffered depression that led him to kill himself.

Health Secretary Sullivan today called on Americans to stop making excuses and get healthy and fit. Sullivan listed the nation's health goals for the year 2000... emphasizing exercise, eating right and generally taking care of oneself. Speaking to the Healthy People 2000 conference in Washington, Sullivan said Americans- quoting now- ''must assume more responsibility for our own good health and the health of others.''

Pope John Paul traveled to one of Africa's most populous countries, Burundi, to speak out against contraception as a way to control population growth. The pope addressed about 75-thousand people at an open-air mass in the central African nation. Pope John Paul says contraception is NOT an option for Roman Catholics. The former Belgian colony has about five-point-three-Million people and an average population density of about 200 people per square mile.

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#90249u1435 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Brady W H (4th Q 7-31)	
$49,124,000	$44,687,000
$3,243,000 (.45)	$410,000 (.05)
CMS Enhancmnts (4th Q 6-30)	
$33,571,000	$42,831,000
d-$1,744,000	$2,558,000 (.48)
d-Deficit.	
Flow Intl (1st Q 7-31)	
$10,777,000	$10,405,000
$879,000 (.07)	$584,000 (.05)
Foodarama Supermkts (3rd Q 7-28)	
$167,115,000	$153,190,000
$610,000 (.54)	d-$164,000
d-Deficit.	
JLG Indus (4th Q 7-31)	
$43,212,000	$35,546,000

$2,697,000 (.77) $3,507,000 (.58)

NHD Stores (2nd Q 7-28)
$16,847,000 $16,984,000
$382,000 (.31) $361,000 (.27)

Paramount Comm (3rd Q 7-31)
$1,035,300,000 $950,600,000
$106,200,000 (.88) $96,300,000 (.80)

Penn Traffic Co (2nd Q 8-4)
$716,568,000 $709,460,000
d-$6,126,000 d-$2,886,000
d-Deficit.

Rykoff Sexton Inc (1st Q 7-28)
$363,814,000 $344,957,000
$3,469,000 (.30) $3,876,000 (.33)

Symbolics Inc (4th Q 6-30)
$12,481,000 $17,165,000
$115,000 $533,000 (.02)

Tektronix Inc (1st Q 8-18)
$302,450,000 $294,084,000
$9,392,000 (.32) d-$1,864,000
d-Deficit.

Value Merchants (2nd Q 8-18)
$25,477,000 $10,846,000
$489,000 (.08) $160,000 (.03)

Vorando Inc (2nd Q 7-28)
$21,734,000 $25,055,000
$3,195,000 (1.42) $3,081,000 (1.34)

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#90249u1450 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 6) UPI - Consumer caution produced lackluster performances by U.S. retailers in August, with many major companies reporting modest single-digit increases in same-store figures, analysts said Thursday. "We are seeing a slowdown in consumer spending," said Janet Magnano, vice president of research for Jesup, Josephthal & Company in New York.

"We have been seeing it for well over a year on big ticket-items such as automobiles and houses, and now it's affecting discretionary items. Consumers are exercising great caution; there are fears of a higher cost

of living."

Analysts said the Middle East crisis also was responsible for dampening consumer spending, but that the domestic economy was the underlying reason for the retailers' performance.

Alan Silverman, managing director of Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. in New York said, "I think it's not just Iraq. There is some economic weakness outside that."

Daniel Barry, senior vice president and retail analyst for Kidder, Peabody & Co., in New York, said the figures were a little better than he expected but indicated a continuing slowdown in the economy.

He said some retailers reported a particular slowing in sales of big-ticket items, a trend he attributed to the Middle East crisis, but that apparel had not been significantly affected. He added he saw a continuing slowing of retail sales for the rest of the year and a sluggish Christmas season before a modest upturn in 1991.

Wal-Mart Stores Inc., based in Bentonville, Ark., outperformed its major competitors Sears, Roebuck & Co. and K mart Corp., reporting revenues of $2.7 billion - a 30 percent increase over August 1989 - and a 13 percent increase in same-store sales, the figure that reflects the performance by stores open at the same time last year.

Chicago-based Sears, with revenues of $2.6 billion, reported a 4.7 percent increase in revenues and a 4.1 percent rise in same-store sales. Also among the nation's big three retailers was K mart, based in Troy, Mich., which reported a 11.1 percent increase in revenues to $2.3 billion.

"It appears to me the numbers are not exciting," said Hugh Johnson, chief economist for the First Albany Corp., in Albany, N.Y. "If you were to adjust them for inflation, some of them would be flat." He said the figures should normally be bolstered by back-to-school sales increases. "That may be the reason the stocks are performing poorly," he said.

Both Sears and K mart said apparel sales were strong, with K mart citing back-to-school sales that "more than offset some softness in electronics and other big-ticket categories." Wal-Mart was the "standout performer," Magnano said, benefiting from a strong presence outside major metropolitan areas and good merchandising.

Other apparel retailers, such as The Limited Inc., based in Columbus, Ohio, suffered from a predominance of cold-weather merchandise in the stores at a time when much of the country was experiencing warm weather, Magnano said. The Limited reported an increase of 14 percent in sales to $408.3 million, with a one percent increase in same-store sales.

San Bruno, Calif.-based retailer The Gap, however, posted a strong 14 percent increase in same-store sales and a 24 percent increase in overall revenues to $166 million for the period.

Among other major retailers, Minneapolis-based Dayton Hudson Corp. said sales were up 19.9 percent to $1.19 billion, while the same-store figure rose eight percent.

J.C. Penney, based in Dallas, reported a 1.2 percent decline in sales, with a total figure of $1.2 billion, and a same-store fall of 2.4 percent. Chairman of the Board William R. Howell said the comparison was on the basis of an "exceptionally strong" performance in August 1989. He said this year's strong sales categories included women's dresses, men's suits and men's athletic apparel, while furniture sales were off substantially.

In New York, the Woolworth Corp. reported a same-store sales increase of 2.5 percent, while overall sales rose 13.2 percent to $858 million. The May Department Stores Company in St. Louis said sales for August were up 12 percent to $762.4 million. Same-store sales were not available.

Among other retailers, Neiman-Marcus, based in Chestnut Hill, Mass., said sales were up 3.9 percent to $124.1 million, while same-store revenues fell by 1.5 percent. In Miami, Claire's Stores Inc. reported revenues increased 46 percent to a record $20.4 million, with same-store sales advancing ten percent.

Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. of Los Angeles reported a one percent sales increase for August to $199.7 million and a miniscule 0.1 percent in same-store sales. Sales for Charming Shoppes, Inc. of Bensalem, Pa., rose 14 percent to $72.2 million and seven percent on a same-store basis.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $12 to $27 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.05 to 2.75 cents a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - Unchanged to 2.05 cents a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.45 to 0.60 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $3.20 to $3.60 an ounce higher for a 100-troy- ounce

contract.

Platinum - $1.60 to $2 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.25 to 2.60 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 3.3 to 3.7 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract. On the CBOT 3.5 to 5 cents higher for a 1,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.044 to 0.048 cent a pound higher for a 112,000- pound contract.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 6) UPI - Atlantic Richfield Co. introduced a new gasoline Thursday, touting it as the cleanest-burning high-octane automobile fuel ever made for Southern California, the nation's smoggiest region.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Lodwrick M. Cook said the gasoline, called EC-Premium, emits less benzene, carbon monoxide and reactive organic gases than conventional premiums while meeting the needs of "today's high-performance engines."

EC-Premium costs about four cents a gallon more to produce than super unleaded premium gasoline, but this cost will be absorbed by the company, Atlantic Richfield said.

"While it's costing more, the point is we're aiming at recovering by increasing our share of the market," Atlantic Richfield spokesman Douglas Elmets said.

With an octane level of 92, EC-Premium will replace Atlantic Richfield's 91-octane super-unleaded gas at more than 700 service stations and other outlets from Santa Barbara to San Diego.

EC-Premium will enable Atlantic Richfield to take "a great step toward our goal of converting all our gasolines to low-emission formulas," Cook said.

Last September, Atlantic Richfield introduced its EC-1 Regular as the nation's first reformulated gasoline. That brand, designed for older cars running on leaded regular gas, has so far reduced emissions by 73 million tons, the company said.

According to Atlantic Richfield's tests, EC-Premium will reduce emissions in Southern California's skies by 43 tons a day. "It's the best

environmental gasoline out there at any price," Cook said at a news conference.

He said Atlantic Richfield is committed to converting all of its gasolines to low-emission formulas - but cautioned that could take five or six years and an investment of perhaps $2 billion.

About 18 percent of Atlantic Richfield's sales are of premium unleaded. "We felt that at least being able to put out this next slice to part of our customer base was desirable rather than waiting until we could offer it to all of our customers," Cook said.

Henry Weeda, a local air-quality official, gave Atlantic Richfield high marks for its efforts to come up with cleaner-burning fuels. "When a corporation using their own resources, imagination and initiative take unprecedented steps to reduce the amount of pollution in the air we breathe, we should all stand up and take notice," Weeda said.

With EC-Premium, Atlantic Richfield has reduced the benzene content of premium unleaded to only one percent - a drop of 55 percent from the super-unleaded brand. That reduction was achieved through refinery processing changes.

In the reformulation process, the company said it has also reduced total aromatics anolefins - a group of chemical components that react in the presence of sunlight to form smog - by 25 percent.

According to tests conducted for Atlantic Richfield at independent laboratories, EC-Premium generates 28 percent less carbon monoxide and 21 percent less exhaust hydrocarbons.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 6) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.63 3/4-2.65 3/4 up 2 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.17 1/4-6.17 3/4 up 5 1/2-5 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.43-2.44 3/4 unch to up 1 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.47 3/4-2.55 3/4 up 1 3/4-4 3/4.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.86

60 to 89 days 7.78

90 to 119 days 7.69

120 to 149 days 7.69

150 to 179 days 7.63

180 to 270 days 7.58

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.92 - 7.70

Issuers 30 days 7.87

Issuers 90 days 7.60

Issuers 270 days 7.41

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.95

60 to 89 days 7.95

90 to 119 days 7.95

120 to 149 days 7.98

150 to 179 days 7.98

180 days 7.98

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.125 - 8.25

1 month 7.875 - 8.00

3 month 7.875 - 8.00

6 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

Year 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.39 - 7.37

6 months 7.34 - 7.32

Year 7.23 - 7.21

Federal Funds: High 8 3-16, Low 8 1/8, Close 8 1/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7.811 off 0.012.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - Millie, President and Mrs. Bush's English springer spaniel, is being treated for lupus, a degenerative disease, but is in ''complete remission,'' the first lady's spokeswoman said Thursday.

Speaking of the nation's No. 1 dog, spokeswoman Anna Perez said, ''She's in complete remission. She's doing fine and chasing squirrels (on the White House grounds).''

Perez said Millie is being treated for lupus, an unusual disease for canines. To doctors, the disease is known as systemic lupus erythematosus, a serious disorder of the connective tissue caused by the immune system

attacking the patient's own tissue.

The symptoms most commonly associated with the ailment are arthritis and changes in the skin and internal organs.

Millie, whose life story has been recorded in a new book titled ''Millie's Book as Dictated to Barbara Bush'' will go on sale on Wednesday, has been ailing all summer.

Aides earlier said that Millie was afflicted with lead poisoning exposure from licking the solvent on her paws from paint chipped from the exterior of the White House in a two-year renovation project.

But that condition has ''corrected itself naturally,'' Perez said.

Bush recently adopted one of Millie's offspring, Ranger, as his special pet. Ranger had originally been given to Bush's son Marvin and his wife, Margaret, who have two young children.

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DURHAM, NH (SEPT. 6) UPI - Troubled Data General Corp. told its 125 Durham employees Thursday it is closing its facility there by the end of the year.

The computer maker laid off 40 employees immediately and will cut another 30 or so by the time the development site is shut, probably around the end of the year, said James Dunlap, a spokesman.

Up to 55 other employees will be transferred to the company's Westboro, Mass., headquarters, where it will continue the personal computer development currently carried on at Durham, Dunlap said.

The closing and layoffs are part of a worldwide consolidation announced recently, in which the company said it plans to slash more than 2,000 workers, Dunlap said.

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#90249u1522 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - The U.S. government is trying to minimize the impact of the economic sanctions against Iraq and Kuwait on innocent third parties by granting limited approval to certain groups to sidestep the embargo, a Treasury official said Thursday.

"The objective of the sanctions was to deprive Iraq of any economic and financial benefits as a result of its illegal occupation of Kuwait and to preserve and protect the assets of the government of Kuwait," said the

official, who requested anonymity. He was one of nearly a dozen speakers at a three-hour session sponsored by Baker & McKinsey law firm and North American International Business.

The official said the question was "how to maximize the impact of U.S. sanctions through the development and coordination of multinational activities" ... "while minimizing the effect on innocent third parties and the legitimate government (of Kuwait)."

President Bush, after the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq, issued two executive orders that imposed an economic embargo against Iraq and blocked both Iraqi and Kuwaiti government property within U.S. jurisdiction or under the control of American citizens.

On Aug. 6 the U.N. Security Council voted to impose sweeping economic sanctions agaist Iraq and Kuwait. The Treasury official said Bush also extended to Kuwait all economic sanctions in effect against Iraq, "bringing this program into conformity."

He said the U.S. government has issued licenses, giving access to frozen assets to some third parties, particularly the Kuwaiti government in exile. "Most of the licenses granted by the United States arise from the need to safeguard and preserve the value of existing frozen assets," he said.

"Licenses have been either general, that is, applicable to defined categories or transactions ... or specific, that is, applicable to individual situations such as unblocking of specific accounts used by the legitimate government of Kuwait." But he said there were safeguards "to assure transactions ... no way benefit the government of Iraq."

The official said most of the licenses issued so far arise from the need to safeguard the value of existing frozen assets of the government of Kuwait. "These are the investments themselves that would cause immediate and unneccesary diminution of the value of the assets, that would cause irreparable harm by forcing immediate liquidation of property ... such as fixed assets."

He also said the U.S. government is "coordinating closely" with the Bank of England on the sanctions issue. Kuwait's foreign investment arm, Kuwait Investment Organization, is based in London.

The United States also is working with foreign enforcement offices, such as Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry, to make the sanctions stick. "We are seeking to reduce conflict between states," he said. "We need U.N. members to cooperate fully."

To that end, he said, "We are working to establish guidelines such as used in the programs concerning Cuba and Panama. We are seeking to reduce

transfers (of assets) where there may be weak compliance. We are working to develop common lists of agencies ... to adopt common definitions."

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Amer Info Tech	54 7-8	off	3-8
AT&T Company	31 1-2	off	5-8
BCE Inc	31 7-8	off	3-8
Bell Atlantic	41 1-4	off	7-8
BellSouth Corp	49 3-8	off 1	1-8
Exxon Corp	50 1-4	off	5-8
Ford Motor Co	34 1-4	off	3-8
Genl Electric	59 7-8	off	3-8
General Motors	37 1-4	off 1	
GTE Corp	25 5-8	off	1-2
IBM Corp	102 1-2	unch	
Mobil Oil Corp	66 3-8	up	5-8
Nynex Corp	68 5-8	off 1	1-2
Pac Gas & Elec	21 1-8	unch	
Pacific Telesis	39 7-8	off	1-2
Phila Electric	15 1-8	unch	
Sears Roebuck	29	off	1-2
Southern Co	23 3-8	off	1-8
Sthwestern Bell	47 1-2	off	5-8
US West Inc	34 3-8	off	1-8

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#90249u1539 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 6) UPI - More than 120 underground nuclear tests and 44 atmospheric tests conducted by France over the past 24 years have rocked the palm-covered Polynesian atoll of Monuroa, killing people, causing birth defects and contaminating food, a recently published book claims.

Despite the devastation the tests have caused the French territory in the Eastern Pacific, few victims have spoken out because they feared punishment from the government, according to the book's author, Swiss doctor Andy Biedermann.

The 72-page book, ''Testimonies - Witnesses of French Testing in the South Pacific,'' is published by the Greenpeace environmental group, of which Biedermann is a member.

The book, based on interviews with people who have worked at Moruroa or lived on neighboring islands, describes harmful effects the tests have had on the more than 166,750 people living on the 130 islands of French Polynesia.

Through interviews, mostly with Polynesians, it speaks of mysterious illness, unexplained death, stillbirths and a startling increase in children born with mental handicaps since the testing began in 1966.

Tehiura, 68, is one interviewee. Tehiura worked as a docker at Moruroa during the early stages of the nuclear testing and describes a day he and his friend, Basinas, worked near a contaminated zone shortly after an explosion.

''After lunch, he (Basinas) went and got some shellfish and a coconut to eat and then, only a few hours later, he became sick,'' Tehiura said in the book. ''He vomited and had diarrhea and his body started to itch all over. He scratched himself so much he had sores all over.''

Basinas was taken to a hospital. His condition worsened and, according to Tehiura, he was secretly removed from area upon his death.

''I know of other people with similar problems who vanished,'' Tehiura said.

The book was released in New Zealand and excerpts were made available in Australia. French officials, both in Wellington and Canberra, have declined to comment on the publication.

''Sometimes we had to work in the contaminated zones and we got extra money and worked shorter hours if we did,'' said Manutahi, who worked as welder on Moruroa. ''That was because of the radiation danger and the main problem was inhaling the radioactive particles.''

The tests, which the book charges are still being conducted at a rate of six per year, also poisoned most of the area's fish supply, on which the islanders depended heavily for food.

Many people livng near the Moruroa died from food posioning after eating contaminated fish, the book said. It also charged that the rate of stillbirths and children born with mental handicaps increased substancially since the testing began.

The book said the tests so polluted the land of Moruroa and nearby islands that they would unlikely sustain life again.

Dr. Biedermann, who was expelled from the territory for alleged ''interference'' in French defense affairs, charges the devastation goes

beyond health problems.

His book describes the testing as a ''social bomb'' and says much of the current inflation, unemployment and slum conditions in Tahiti can be attributed to the economic distortions and social upheavel caused by the nuclear test program.

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#90249u1545 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
(Repeating & correcting)

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1110.4
Wednesday	1101.6
Week ago	1116.6
Month ago	1126.6
Year ago	1088.6
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90249u1549 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney disclosed Thursday that the United States now has ''over 100,000 U.S. military personnel'' in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf region as part of Operation Desert Shield.

It was the first time that Cheney or any Bush administration official has publicly stated the number of U.S. troops sent to the Middle East since the military operation began one month ago.

Speaking to a meeting of the International Institute for Strategic Studies in Hot Springs, Va., Cheney said, ''In about a month now we've deployed over 100,000 U.S. military personnel and their equipment to Saudi Arabia and the surrounding states, the Persian Gulf and the Red Sea.''

Cheney's remarks, which were broadcast to the Pentagon, came as he praised the U.S. ability to dispatch large numbers of troops quickly to a potential area of conflict.

Pentagon officials who have asked not to be identified said there are about 70,000 U.S. ground forces in Saudi Arabia, and that about 150,000 total are expected to be in place by the first week of October.

Cheney, with his references to the Persian Gulf and the Red Sea, included

naval forces in his number. The United States has more than 50 warships in the region, including three aircraft carriers with a crew of 5,000 each.

Cheney said the military buildup in Saudi Arabia would continue and he defended the deployment of the large number of U.S. troops to the deserts and seas of the Middle East.

''The worst sin of all would be for us to deploy forces out there that could get into trouble but not strong enough to deal with any eventuality that may arise,'' he said.

In response to a question, Cheney said President Bush gave the military a threefold mission: to deter an Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia; to defend the oil-rich sheikdom should deterrence fail; and to enforce the U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq.

''We've not been given an offensive assignment (to attack Iraq),'' he added.

He also defended the efforts by the Bush administration to seek help, financially or militarily, from its allies and friends around the world for Operation Desert Shield.

''It is appropriate for us to remind our friends around the world ... that in fact, there's no free lunch here,'' Cheney said, adding that some nations need to be told to ''step up to the counter and contribute more than some of them have indicated they'd be prepared to contribute.''

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#90249u1557 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (SEPT. 6) UPI - Crews of nuclear-powered ice-breaking ships staged a brief strike Thursday and quickly won their demands for hard currency payments and other benefits, the official Tass news agency reported.

Tass said the icebreakers came to a halt on the northern sea route where they prepare the way for supply ships heading for the Chukchi Peninsula and the Siberian coast.

''The strike resulted from the government's refusal to meet the demands of sailors working in the arctic for parity with their colleagues sailing abroad,'' Tass said.

The icebreaker crews were angry that sailors on transport vessels receive part of their pay in hard currency while those on the icebreakers that clear the way for the freighters from Europe to Asia were paid only in Soviet rubles.

Tass reported later Thursday that Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov signed an order granting their demand for hard-currency pay and the sailors returned to work.

Crews had threatened to shut down the nuclear reactors on the icebreakers if their demands are not met within 24 hours, Tass said.

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#90249u1562 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Thursday - $37,780,000

1990 to date - $7,740,923,000

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#90249u1572 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

AMMAN, JORDAN (SEPT. 6) UPI - International aid agencies Wednesday announced new contributions of food, medicine and other relief in the struggle to help tens of thousands of Asians stranded with little food and water in camps in Jordan and its desert border with Iraq.

The new assistance came as thousands more refugees from Kuwait and Iraq reportedly poured into the tiny kingdom, whose limited resources have been severely strained by the massive exodus sparked by the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Officals put the total number of refugees in camps in Jordan and the 30-mile ''no man's land'' strip between its frontier and the Iraqi border at more than 120,000, an estimated 80,000 of them in three desert camps.

Virtually all of the refugees are from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, the Philippines and Thailand, and worked in manual labor or service industry jobs in Kuwait, from which they have fled for fear of war or lack of work.

Jordan is restricting the number of refugees from entering its territory until a reduction in the massive backlog of people who have accumulated in camps in Amman and other areas because of insufficient repatriation programs.

International efforts to provide relief and repatriation flights have been slow in gearing up for lack of funds and because Jordan did not request assistance from the United Nations and other donors until Aug. 22.

The World Food Program announced that it was transfering 50 tons of rice from its stocks in Bangladesh to Jordan to help feed refugees. It said the supplies would arrive Thursday night on the return flight of an

Soviet-made Antonov aircraft that brought hundreds of Bangladeshis to Dhaka on Wednesday.

The aircraft has been chartered by the International Organization for Migration, which is coordinating repatriation flights that are ferrying an estimated 6,000 people home per day.

The WFP said Bangladesh agreed speedily to the rice transfer and permitted free-of-charge loading.

It said it is providing another 3,000 tons of food from its stocks in Amman.

The organization said it is planning to bring in a 250,000-ton shipment of rice next week from Thailand and buy 216 tons of red lentils from Syria.

The U.N. International Childrens Education Fund said it was kicking off a second phase of a relief program that will involve providing 36 water tanks, 6,000 jerry cans, 60,000 bars of soap and other goods.

It said it had also begun installing latrines and water tanks at two camps in Jordan and at new camp in the desert strip.

The group said it has already distribute 13 tons of antibiotics, blankets and tents.

A delegation from the European Economic Community arrived in Amman for talks with Jordanian officials on the gulf crisis and the refugee problem. The EEC has provided aid totaling $29 million and plans to contribute $19 million more.

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#90249u1577 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2596.29	off	31.93
20 Trans	892.20	off	5.54
15 Utils	198.25	off	0.19
65 Stocks	899.60	off	7.89

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#90249u1579 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

30 Indus 20 Trans 15 Utils

Thursday	2596.29	off	31.93	892.20	off	5.54	198.25	off	0.19
Wednesday	2628.22	up	14.85	897.74	up	1.66	198.44	up	2.39
Week ago	2593.32	off	39.11	901.26	off	9.87	193.72	off	1.89
Month ago	2758.91	up	24.01	998.18	up	6.76	204.48	off	1.07
Year ago	2706.88	off	12.91	1480.97	off	27.74	214.66	off	0.25
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90249u1588 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says President Bush intends to take the Iraqi government up on its offer to appear on Iraqi television. Speaking to reporters aboard Air Force One, Fitzwater says Bush views the unprecedented offer from Baghdad as- quote- ''a real opportunity'' to inform the Iraqi public why U-S military forces are positioned in the Persian Gulf.

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Fitzwater says the president will provide Iraq's information minister with a videotaped message in the next few days. When asked if he thought Iraq would withdraw the offer, Fitzwater said Washington would accept Baghdad's offer at face value. The message could be broadcast to the Iraqi public sometime next week.

Iraq today said its troops shot an American man in Kuwait... breaking his leg. Baghdad Radio quoted the Iraqi director of information as saying the shooting ''was a mistake.''

British Prime Minister Thatcher today told Parliament that she is considering sending more military forces to the Persian Gulf. She rejected a proposal by Opposition Labor leader Neil Kinnock to limit further military action to that approved by the United Nations.

The standoff continues between an armed teen-ager and authorites in Cumming, Georgia. The suspect, identified as 17-year-old Randy Addis, reportedly took a classroom of fellow students hostage earlier today. A spokeswoman for South Forsyth Middle School says the suspect has freed all but six students... but adds that talks with the youth have stalled.

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#90249u1593 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday 45 to 60 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	73.75	74.60	73.40	73.48	73.98
Dec	72.85	73.48	72.65	72.71	73.16
Mar	74.18	74.85	73.80	73.83	74.39
May	74.79	75.10	74.55	74.55	75.05
Jly	75.00	75.10	75.00	74.45	75.05
Oct	70.25	....	....	70.37	70.85
Dec	68.60	68.60	68.60	68.25	68.83

Estimated sales: 5,500 contracts
Open interest: 33,846 off 117
The World spot average: 72.95

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#90249u1609 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 125,620,000 shares
1990 to date - 27,389,709,712
Warrants - 1,061,800
1990 to date - 173,948,800

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#90249u1610 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 10,560,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,427,309,010
Bonds - $2,740,000
1990 to date - $492,731,000

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#90249u1611 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

PONTIAC, MI (SEPT. 6) UPI - General Motors Corp.'s Oldsmobile division, in an effort to bolster dealer profits and reverse a dramatic drop in sales, announced Thursday a used-car warranty plan covering selected 1984-91 cars, including non-GM models.

The program, called "Value-Rated Edge," represents an expansion of Oldsmobile's customer satisfaction efforts and covers dealer-selected cars with under 50,000 miles.

Under the program, buyers are allowed to return their vehicles within 30 days or 1,000 miles for repair, free of charge, of any problem that should have been corrected by the dealer prior to the sale.

Also offered is a one-year/12,000-mile warranty covering any major components with a $100 deductible in effect, as well as one year of emergency road and towing service.

The bulk of Oldsmobile's 3,000 dealers are expected to offer the used-car guarantee, which, unlike new-car warranties, is good only at the place of purchase.

Oldsmobile General Manager J. Michael Losh, during a preview of the division's 1991 models at GM's Orion Assembly plant in Pontiac, Mich., said the Value-Rated plan is unprecedented at GM and should bolster new-car sales as well.

"This helps strengthen our dealer network and increases the involvement in used cars," Losh said, adding the used-car warranty may also familiarize potential buyers with a nearby Oldsmobile dealer when it comes time to buy new.

Each car must undergo an inspection and certification under Oldsmobile's program. Several other carmakers, mostly import brands like Jaguar and BMW have also been offering used-car programs under which selected vehicles are thoroughly reconditioned before resale.

Oldsmobile's dealers, who experienced a dramatic decline in profitability during the late 1980s, have managed to reverse that trend recently, Losh said, adding that 70 percent of dealers are now profitable and profits per dealer are up. But that is mostly because dealers are carrying less inventory and have restructured their own operations to the lower sales levels.

Dealers are apparently optimistic about the used-car program. It could help them remain profitable at a time when most are losing money on new-car sales in a brutally competitive market saturated with costly buyer incentives and are instead being supported by their service and used-car operations.

Losh, blaming the general industry decline and intensified competition, said he expects Oldsmobile's sales of 1990-model vehicles to shrink to about 500,000 cars and 21,000 vans by the close of the current model year this month, for about 5.5 percent of the total U.S. car market.

That marks a 20.2 percent decline from the 1989-model year, when it sold 653,127 units, for a 6.4 percent share of the U.S. car market - and a 52.6 percent plunge from a high of 1,098,685 cars sold during the 1984-model year, when it commanded 10.7 percent of the market.

Losh declined to make a sales prediction for the 1991-model year but said

Oldsmobile is looking for a slight rise in market share. "Our primary focus is to improve our share of the market," he said, adding that Oldsmobile's "new vision" is to offer "smart, contemporary vehicles that are refined, innovative, responsive and balanced."

New in Oldsmobile's lineup for 1991 is an aerodynamically styled version of its full-size, V8-powered Custom Cruiser station wagon, which starts at $20,495. Also new is the Bravada, Oldsmobile's first sport-utility vehicle based on the four-door Chevrolet Blazer and starting at $23,795. Oldsmobile's other 1991-models range in price from the Cutlass Calais compact ($10,295), to the Toronado Trofeo luxury coupe ($26,495).

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#90249u1612 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 6) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Thursday - 7,773,000

1990 to date - 1,749,586,000

The market closed lower.

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#90249u1615 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	97,447,176	31 1/4	off 1 1/4
Microsoft	(MSFT)	87,407,536	57 1/2	off 1 1/2
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	39,259,444	68	off 2 3/4
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	29,145,384	48 7/8	off 1/2
Apple Comptr	(AAPL)	26,911,762	35 3/4	off 1/4
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	23,757,142	33 1/4	off 3/8
Oracle Syst	(ORCL)	20,704,510	9 7/8	off 3/4
Conner Pher	(CNNR)	19,939,302	22 3/8	up 1/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	16,364,826	44	off 1 1/2
Nordstrom	(NOBE)	16,148,455	21 3/4	off 3/4

Composite Index 165.94 off 1.66

NMS volume 79,459,600 shares.

Advances	571
Declines	882
Unchanged	1,368
Total	2,821

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#90249u1625 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 325.92, low 324.26, close 324.50, off 0.91.

There was a loss of 3 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,560,000 shares, compared with 10,590,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	3
New Lows	31
Advances	189
Declines	304
Unchanged	248
Total Issues	741

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#90249u1631 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 6) UPI - Authorities in Utah continue to search for a convicted murderer and a robber who escaped from prison. Officials say the pair broke out yesterday by hiding in an altered utility bin in a state pickup truck. The truck was found in the American Fork Canyon about 15 miles from the prison... south of Salt Lake City.

A federal appeals court in Richmond, Virginia, today upheld a lower court ruling which dismissed criminal charges against a key player in the Iran-Contra scandal. The Justice Department advised dropping charges, for security reasons, against Joseph Fernandez, who formerly headed a C-I-A operation in Costa Rica.

Cambodian Prince Norodom Sihanouk today announced he will attend Cambodian peace talks in Indonesia. His participation avoids a collapse of the meeting meant to discuss a U-N plan for ending the 11-year-old civil war. At the same time... the Cambodian government welcomed yesterday's U-S proposal for direct negotiations.

NASA workers are trying to hunt down the latest fuel leak that's delayed blast-off of the shuttle Columbia. Today's mission was delayed after a fuel leak was found last night. Officials suspect a hydrogen pump in the engine compartment could be the culprit... and say they'd need about a week to fix it.

A survey of seasoned U-S fliers lists American Airlines as the top U-S airline in terms of passenger satisfaction. But several respondents of the Zagat Airline Survey said they were forced to opt for- quote- ''only the

best of a bad bunch.''

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#90249u1646 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

DENVER (SEPT. 6) UPI - Doug Moe, whose 10 years with the Denver Nuggets marked the longest tenure among active NBA coaches, Thursday was fired as head coach.

The decision came Wednesday night at a meeting between Moe and several members of the Nuggets' front office staff. It was agreed that it would be in the team's best interests for Moe to leave, said Nuggets General Manager Bernie Bickerstaff.

''Last evening we sat down and discussed the pros and cons of the Denver Nuggets, and we all came to the conclusion that this was the best for all parties involved,'' Bickerstaff said. There was no immediate word from the team on who Moe's successor would be but former Atlanta Hawks Coach Mike Fratello's name has surfaced. Fratello this past summer signed to be part of NBC's inaugural NBA coverage team.

''We fully expect Mike Fratello to be part of our NBA telecasts this year '' NBC spokesman Ed Markey said.

Moe, who has been the Nuggets' head coach since the 1980-81 season, produced two division winners, and was named NBA Coach of the Year in 1988. He leaves with an overall coaching record of 609-492.

''I feel good about it,'' Moe said. ''I've been here for 10 years. For me it's been a great run, a great relationship. And I look forward to the future.''

Moe said he had no immediate plans to take another coaching job, but would consider an offer if one is forthcoming.

''My tenure with Doug Moe has been very, very short,'' said Bickerstaff, who took over the team's front office in July. ''My respect for him has not wavered at all, in fact it's been enhanced.''

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#90249u1652 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	384.35	231.27	129.20	24.05	324.39
Opening	383.03	230.08	128.82	23.90	323.21

11 a.m.	380.81	229.29	128.01	23.79	321.37
Noon	380.96	229.37	128.19	23.79	321.52
1 p.m.	379.88	229.48	128.04	23.69	320.66
2 p.m.	378.70	229.32	127.90	23.68	319.81
3 p.m.	379.26	229.70	127.85	23.68	320.18
Close	379.48	230.48	127.97	23.76	320.46
Change	off 4.87	off 0.79	off 1.23	off 0.29	off 3.93

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#90249u1653 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Motorola Inc	2,304,000	61 1/2	off 7 5/8
Limited Inc	1,965,900	15 5/8	off 1 1/8
Wal-Mart Stores	1,871,500	27 1/2	off 7/8
Toys R Us	1,782,900	23 3/4	off 3/4
Exxon Corp	1,763,200	50 3/8	off 1/2
Genl Electric	1,762,400	60	off 1/4
PepsiCo	1,575,900	24 1/2	off 3/4
IBM Corp	1,347,000	102 3/8	off 1/8
BCE Inc	1,285,000	31 7/8	off 3/8
Hanson PLC	1,172,400	18 5/8	off 1
AT&T Company	1,171,500	31 1/2	off 5/8
Philip Morris	1,145,100	44 3/4	off 1/2
Fed Natl Mtge	1,104,700	29	off 1
Boeing Co	1,101,500	47 1/4	off 1 1/2
Global Marine	1,054,500	6 1/4	up 1/4

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#90249u1666 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	247.70	247.70	243.50	245.80	248.10
Dec	249.70	249.70	246.00	248.05	250.35
Mar	....	....	....	251.30	253.50

Previous day volume: 215 contracts.

Open interest: 1,320 up 3

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	323.80	324.40	319.20	320.75	324.85
Dec	327.60	328.10	322.85	324.40	328.55
Mar	330.30	331.00	326.20	327.40	331.50
Jun	....	333.50	329.20	331.50	335.60

Today's estimated volume: 60,341 contracts.
Open interest: 149,685 up 1,473
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	177.50	177.85	175.05	175.80	178.15
Dec	179.40	179.70	176.95	177.80	180.05
Mar	181.25	181.25	180.45	179.65	181.90

Open interest: 6,203 off 193
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	535.75	535.80	528.25	529.95	536.25
Oct	535.40	536.70	530.60	531.80	538.50

Estimated volume 2,908 contracts.
Open interest: 7,449 up 169

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#90249u1668 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
PW Group wtB	479,100	8 3/4	up 7/8
Amdahl Corp	453,100	13	up 3/8
Salomon wt Jan	345,000	17 3/4	up 3/4
Eksportfinans wt	336,300	8 7/8	up 3/4
Denmark K wt	301,000	18 3/4	up 7/8
Americus T2 sc	284,600	6 7/8	off 3/8
BAT Industries	270,600	9 7/8	off 1/8
Hillhaven Corp	259,500	1 1/2	unch
Salomon pwt Mar	250,200	3 1/4	up 1/4
Imperial Oil A	225,500	55 3/4	off 1/8

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#90249u1677 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	14	12	4
New lows	81	64	67

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume

Advances	505	25,789,300
Declines	954	83,123,500
Unchanged	485	16,707,200
Total	1,944	125,620,000

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#90249u1680 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 3
New lows 31

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	189	4,459,700
Declines	304	4,018,100
Unchanged	248	2,082,200
Total	741	10,560,000

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#90249u1685 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2622.52	2633.17	2575.99	2596.29	off 31.93
20 Trans	894.42	899.04	885.17	892.20	off 5.54
15 Utils	198.38	200.01	196.37	198.25	off 0.19
65 Stock	905.45	910.03	892.29	899.60	off 7.89

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	16,011,000	16,676,400
Trans	2,155,600	2,127,400
Utils	2,814,700	2,712,400
65 Stock	20,981,300	21,516,200

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.50	up 0.03
10 Public Utils	90.38	up 0.12
10 Industrials	88.63	off 0.06

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 133.55 up 0.37.

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#90249u1690 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - To describe Martha Griffiths as outspoken is an understatement - and the Michigan lieutenant governor and ardent feminist did nothing Thursday to diminish that reputation now that she's in the midst of a political uproar in her state.

The 78-year-old Democrat, a former congresswoman, minced few words in a National Press Club appearance that concentrated on women's rights but also touched on subjects ranging from the deficit to the Persian Gulf.

And at each turn, the feisty Griffiths found a way to turn the subject to her lifelong argument that women have gotten a raw deal from a society dominated by white males.

''Hell, no,'' she said when asked if President Bush had done enough for women's rights.

''Absolutely,'' she declared when queried about whether women could do a better job at cutting the deficit than the male-dominated Congress. ''I was in purchasing in the Army. There isn't a woman on Earth who would pay $600 for a toilet seat.''

And her advice to women about what to do to when they run across judges who they fear are not protecting women's rights: ''Forget about whether he's in your party or the other party. He's an idiot. Try to recall him.''

''America was born out of the anguish and pain of women. Many died in childbirth. No bands ever played, no tributes ever sounded over the graves of these women,'' she declared. ''Memorials and tributes were niceties reserved for men who died killing other men.''

The only area in which Griffiths tread lightly was her own situation in Michigan, where Gov. Jim Blanchard in essence dumped her from his re-election ticket.

Asked why she was still supporting Blanchard, she noted, ''Well, he's been a good governor - and I know the other guy.''

She also repeated a line she has used before, trying to explain her feelings about Blanchard. ''I really didn't call him an S.O.B,'' Griffiths noted. ''All I said was one of the first problems of politics was that you help some son of a bitch and then he throws you off the wagon.''

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#90249u1691 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago

Composite	378.78	off	3.66	378.68	469.68
Industrial	404.48	off	4.78	403.96	454.68
Finance	380.80	off	2.60	383.04	559.84
Insurance	444.15	off	3.41	444.47	540.91
Utility	507.87	off	3.11	501.34	739.54
Bank	282.40	off	2.42	286.23	489.85
Transport	408.03	off	0.81	414.07	467.28

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 393.49

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 165.94 off 1.66

Industrial Index 159.84 off 1.97

NASDAQ-100 Index 381.34 off 6.29

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6300	off 100
Boston Ed pf	80	off 10
Detroit Ed pf	154	off 8 1/2
Motorola Inc	61 1/2	off 7 5/8
Honeywell Inc	94 3/8	off 3 1/2
Enron Corp	55 3/8	up 3 3/8
Kyocera Corp	100 1/8	off 3 3/8
Cap Cities ABC	485 1/2	off 3 1/8
Progressive Corp	55 3/8	up 2 7/8
PSI Energy pfG	86	up 2 1/2

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KANSAS CITY, MO (SEPT. 6) UPI - The owners of Franklin Savings Association, who regained control of the thrift Thursday after a six-month conservatorship, said they would continue the business policies that were in place before the government took control. However, observers said they face problems that began well before the Office of Thrift Supervision took over Franklin.

The Resolution Trust Corp., which managed Franklin during the conservatorship, relinquished control of the Ottawa, Kan., thrift Thursday morning under orders from a federal judge.

U.S. District Judge Dale Saffels of Topeka, Kan., ruled the OTS had no statutory grounds for imposing a conservatorship on Franklin on Feb. 16. In an opinion issued Wednesday, he said the savings and loan was not insolvent, and there was no fraud, corruption, or self-dealing by Franklin management. The key issue in the case, Saffels said, was a dispute over proper accounting procedures.

Franklin will essentially remain under the court's jurisdiction for 90 days. A second OTS takeover during that time would require Saffels' approval. The OTS Thursday sought a stay of Saffels' order in an appeal filed with the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver.

The agency, citing Franklin's reliance on "high-risk assets financed by... brokered deposits" said in a statement Wednesday it acted properly in taking over Franklin, "an institution that was being operated with insufficient capital and in an unsafe and unsound manner." The OTS also said Franklin had depleted its capital with no prospect for replenishment without federal assistance.

Franklin, with $11.4 billion in assets at the time of the takeover, was considered an innovator in the thrift industry because of its hedging and arbitrage practices. The thrift, Kansas's largest, had moved away from the traditional S&L focus on home loans.

Franklin officer John Scowcroft, president of Franklin Savings Corp., the thrift's parent, said Thursday Franklin Savings would continue to be run as it was before the conservatorship.

"We had all our business policies pretty well laid out. We bought assets that had minimal risk and hedged their interest rate risk. All those policies were not questioned," he said. "Like the judge said, it boiled down to an accounting issue, which the judge basically agreed with us on. We'll be taking the same basic approach and just apply it to the situation we find here."

Scowcroft said he and Chief Executive Officer Ernest Fleischer, who returned as senior management, were told there were "no emergencies" at the thrift and that Franklin has adequate liquidity.

But a financial analyst at Ely & Co. in Alexandria, Va., Bert Ely, said he thought Franklin was insolvent when the OTS took over and continued to lose ground under government control.

"My sense is they're (owners) not going to be able to turn it around," he said Thursday. He said Franklin had problems before February, citing negative net interest margins at the thrift in three of the last five quarters before the OTS takeover.

"They weren't making it, and for very good reason," Ely said. "All good arbitrages come to an end. They never found an encore. Basically what happened is they kept searching for new ways to make money, couldn't find them, and made mistakes and took losses."

Jack Gaumnitz, finance professor at the University of Kansas, said Franklin's owners have no choice but to follow their previous business practices, "given the nature of their investments."

Gaumnitz said he has not seen Franklin's results for the three months ended in June, but does not expect them to be positive. "I think they've got a Herculean task that they have to face to avoid the government authorities in the future," he said.

Gaumnitz said Franklin needs to address a number of problems, including the OTS's refusal during the conservatorship to pay interest on bonds issued by Franklin.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	177.39	175.76	176.06	off 1.87
Industrial	222.53	220.27	220.63	off 2.55
Transport	140.09	139.44	140.09	off 0.60
Utility	83.12	82.52	82.62	off 0.72
Finance	124.19	123.37	123.70	off 1.00

Equivalent to a loss of 32 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 125,620,000 shares.

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#90249u1739 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	382.43	377.65	378.78	off 3.66
Industrial	408.37	402.92	404.48	off 4.78
Finance	383.65	380.37	380.80	off 2.60
Insurance	447.29	443.11	444.15	off 3.41

Utility	511.09	506.06	507.87 off 3.11
Bank	285.23	281.77	282.40 off 2.42
Transport	409.76	406.00	408.03 off 0.81

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-23) 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	165.94 off 1.66
Industrial Index	159.84 off 1.97
NASDAQ-100 Index	381.34 off 6.29
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.64 off 0.08
Volume	79,459,600 shares
Advances	571
Declines	882
Unchanged	1,368
Total	2,821

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#90249u1764 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Stocks closed sharply lower Thursday as oil prices staged a relentless advance, but trading, as has been the case for more than a week, remained very light.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 14.85 Wednesday, tumbled 31.93 to close at 2596.29. The Dow was down as much as 44 points at its low.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index eased 1.87 to 176.06. The price of an average share fell 32 cents. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index lost 3.93 to 320.46.

Declines led advances 951-506 among the 1,948 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to about 125,620,000 shares, up slightly from the 120,610,000 traded Wednesday.

Stocks drifted with modest losses until midmorning, when the market extended its losses as oil prices began to rise sharply. October crude-oil futures closed up $1.66 to $31.43, breaking the $30- and $31-a- barrel marks.

Analysts said the steady advance revived fears of inflation and concerns that the Federal Reserve, even though faced with a faltering economy, may be caught between a rock and a hard place - unable to cut interest rates.

Certain market sectors and stocks were hit especially hard in the sharp decline, with weak August sales reports making it a tough day for major retailers. In the technology sector, Motorola plunged more than 10 percent amid reports that analysts at several brokerages have expressed concerns about the strength of its business in a weakening economy.

But Dennis Jarrett, chief market strategist at Kidder, Peabody & Co., downplayed the significance of the marekt's decline, citing the very light volume.

"People were not throwing stock away, not dumping stock, not with 125 million shares traded," he said. "And I guess I'm looking at the glass as half full, but given how much oil has come up in the last few days it oculd be worse."

Jarrett acknowledged the steep rise in oil prices, but he attributed the drop in stocks to "an absence of buyers stepping in. "When the market stabilized over the last three or four days, it seemed to be because sellers weren't around rather than any great buying.

The Dow has closed within a trading range of about 40 points since the start of last week. The key to whether stocks will move sharply higher or lower, said Jarrett, "will be whether buyers or sellers get a catalyst first. Till then, we could run in place."

On the trading floor, Motorola was the most active issue, plunging 7 5/8 to 61 1/2. The Limited followed, down 1 1/8 to 15 5/8. The retailer reported a rise of just one percent in August sales among stores open at least a year.

Wal-Mart was third, down 7/8 to 27 1/2, after reporting a 30 percent rise in sales from August 1989 but a rise of only 13 percent in sales at stores open more than a year. Exxon was also active, off 1/2 to 50 3/8, despite the rise in oil prices.

Among other retailers, J.C. Penney lost one to 45 7/8, K mart fell 3/8 to 27 1/8, Sears dropped 1/2 to 29, and Woolworth fell 7/8 to 24 1/2.

Among the blue chips, AT&T fell 5/8 to 31 1/2 and IBM lost 1/8 to 102 3/8, while Merck lost 1 3/8 to 79 7/8, General Motors slumped 7/8 to 37 3/8, and Coca- Cola fell 1 1/4 to 41 1/4.

Other oil companies were mixed, but among the gainers were Texaco, which added 1/4 to 64, and Mobil, which advanced 1/2 to 66 1/4.

Elsewhere, Valhi tumbled 1 1/8 to 10 1/4 after a deal was announced to merge with NL Industries valued at about $411 million. Valhi already owns about 66 percent of NL. The two companies are controlled by Dallas investor Harold Simmons.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 152,685,590 shares, compared with 144,643,050 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index lost 0.91 to 324.59. Declines led advances 308-197 among the 758 issues traded. The price of an average share fell three cents. Composite volume totaled 12,128,400 shares vs. 12,050,000 traded Wednesday. PaineWebber's call warrants on the Tokyo market's Nikkei index led the Amex issues, up 7/8 to 8 3/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 3.66 to 378.78.

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#90249u1770 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	27.80-27.85	27.70-27.80
North Sea Brent	32.65-32.75	31.55-31.60
West Texas Intermed	31.45-31.50	29.75-29.85
Light Louisiana Sweet	33.10-33.20	31.30-31.40
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	104.10-104.35	103.00-103.50
No. 2 Heating oil	86.25-86.75	81.45-81.85
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	96.85-97.35	94.75-95.25
No. 2 Heating oil	85.25-85.35	80.50-80.70

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#90249u1803 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Assets of the nation's 520 money market mutual funds fell by $770.0 million to $406.55 billion in the week ended Wednesday, the Investment Company Institute reported Thursday. Average fund yields dropped.

The Washington-based institute said broker-dealer fund assets decreased

$410.9 million to $164.96 billion, assets of general purpose funds increased $422.6 million to $143.69 billion and institutional fund assets fell $781.7 million to $97.90 billion.

"Relative stability of stock and bond prices in the last two weeks has found its reflection in the moderation of weekly changes in the level of money market fund assets," said Jacob Dreyer, vice president and chief economist at the institute.

"After seven weeks of sharp increases during which these assets rose $25 billion, last week, like the week before, assets shrank by some three quarters of a billion dollars. Also as the week before, the entire decline occurred among institutional funds."

Mutual fund assets were revised for Aug. 29 to $407.32 billion. The increase reported Aug. 29 was revised to $679.3 million.

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.47 percent, down from 7.48, and 30-day simple yields eased to 7.49 percent from 7.50 the previous week. The average maturity of fund portfolios was 46 days, up from 45.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money market deposit accounts, 5.89 unchanged; Super- Now accounts, 4.97 percent, down from 4.98; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.51 percent, down from 7.53 percent; 1-year CDs, 7.61 percent, down from 7.62; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.67 percent, down from 7.69; and five- year CDs, 7.79 percent, down from 8.80.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.28 percent down from 8.30 percent.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.77 percent from 9.81 and the average rate for a 30- year, fixed-rate mortgage fell to 10.08 percent from 10.12.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was 12.26 percent, down from 12.27 percent.

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#90249u1816 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - The dollar closed generally lower against major world currencies in lackluster trading Thursday, as traders braced for

Friday'srelease of U.S. employment figures for August.

Late in the New York trading session, the dollar was quoted at 1.5565 German marks, off from 1.5585 Wednesday, and at 140.65 Japanese yen, off from 141.65 Wednesday.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2975 Swiss francs, up from 1.2955; 5.2150 French francs, down from 5.2205; and 1,161.50 Italian lire, down from 1,162.50. The British pound fell to $1.9125 from $1.9404 Wednesday.

Many market participants remained sidelined to await the U.S. employment data, expected to reflect more evidence of a slumping domestic economy, due to be released Friday morning, analysts said. Many - but not all - have expected a weak employment report could prompt the Federal Reserve to ease up on monetary policy.

"There's a small touch of squaring, a little short covering of some positions in front of tomorrow's figures," said Bob Hinton, vice president of foreign exchange at Harris Trust & Savings Bank.

Anticipation of a Fed easing was "making people a little bit jittery," he said. However, he and other analysts said they were finding a growing scepticism that the Fed would have enough leeway to ease, despite the employment numbers.

Comments by Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan, who said battling inflation would continue to be a priority in policy setting, added to the scepticism, they said.

Given Greenspan's comments and the day's rise in oil prices, "I think we would have to say that tomorrow's easing will not take place unless it is an incredibly bad number," said Michael Guarino, chief dealer at Algemene Bank Nederland. "I think the dollar will head up as the economic numbers don't point to Fed easing," Guarino said.

In European trading, the U.S. dollar fell against most major currencies despite Greenspan's signal that interest rates may not fall in the near future.

Analysts said the U.S. unit surged early in the day after Greenspan made his remarks but weakened again because of underlying fears of a downturn in the U.S. economy and costs associated with the nation's military presence in the Gulf.

The dollar lost ground in light trading in Frankfurt, down to 1.5590 German marks from Wednesday's close of 1.5625, and was lower in Zurich, at 1.3010 Swiss francs vs. 1.3035. In London, the pound ended higher against the dollar, at $1.9070 from $1.8975.

The dollar slipped in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively: 5.2055 French francs vs. 5.2420, 32.010 Belgian francs vs. 32.185 and 1,158.9 Italian lire vs. 1,168.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar fell to its lowest level this year against the yen, brought about by selling pressure triggered by concern about an interest rate cut in the United States and by the Persian Gulf crisis.

The dollar closed at 141.65 yen, down from Wednesday's closing rate of 142.30,the Bank of Japan said.

Foreign-exchange dealers said the market's volatile movements reflected concern about the timing of the Fed cutting interest rates and by the murkysituation in the Persian Gulf.

Dealers said institutional investors, mainly banks and insurance firms, were seen selling the dollar actively to purchase the yen.

Gold closed higher in both Zurich, at $387.50 an ounce against Wednesday's $386.50, and in London, at $389.75 an ounce against $387.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $390 an ounce, up from $387.25 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $389.70 an ounce, up from $386.10.

Silver closed in Zurich at $4.80 an ounce, up from $4.75, and was up in London at $4.89 an ounce vs. $4.79.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.795 an ounce, up from $4.77. Comex silver finished at $4.77 an ounce, up from $4.735.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	9.21	9.31	9.00
91-day Treasury bills	7.63	7.62	7.80
182-day Treasury bills	7.70	7.70	7.81
1-year Treasury bills	7.74	7.73	7.68
3-year Treasury notes	8.22	8.20	8.25
7-year Treasury notes	8.72	8.72	8.21
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.95	8.97	8.10
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.45	9.45	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.97	10.00	9.17
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.19	9.18	8.2

GNMA 8	30-year mortgage	9.46	9.48	9.19
FNMA 8.5	30-year mortgage	9.49	9.50	9.37
Freddie Mac	30-year mortgage	9.46	9.48	9.36

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90249u1821 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - The Securities and Exchange Commission filed a civil suit Thursday against Power Securities Corp., accusing the Las Vegas penny-stock firm of fraud and of raking in millions of dollars in illegal profits. A spokesman for the firm was not available for comment, and an SEC investigator said the company was no longer involved in retail sales.

The action named Chief Executive Officer Richard Marchese, as well as Eric Monchecourt, a vice president, and Orville Sandberg, the firm's former president, and a number of former employees and business associates.

The SEC said the National Association of Securities Dealers assisted in the investigation leading to the civil suit. The government alleged that Power Securities and the others "engaged in an unlawful scheme to mislead and defraud the investing public" from late in 1987 to the autumn of 1988.

The SEC accused the firm of "knowingly or recklessly inducing customers to invest in selected low-price securities, commonly referred to as 'penny stocks,' through the use of materially false or misleading statements or omissions."

The agency also charged that Power Securities and the others made "investment recommendations without a reasonable basis in fact" and used "high-pressured, coercive sales practices."

The defendants were also accused of insider trading in certain securities, manipulating stock prices and failing to make disclosures required by federal securities regulations.

Among other things, the SEC said that the firm engaged in activity called "flipping," in which which brokers "simultaneously recommend to customers the sale of one security and the purchase of another for the purpose of increasing commissions."

"The 'flips' occurred when the (brokers) offered to buy a customer's security at a premium price higher than the bid price in order to induce the customer to sell and purchase new securities," the SEC said.

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#90249u1823 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - The government sued ABC television and the College Football Association Thursday for allegedly violating antitrust laws in a deal to televise dozens of Saturday football games.

ABC Sports disputed the FTC charges, calling them ''completely without merit.''

The Federal Trade Commission charged the CFA broke the law by forming a cartel of the nation's best college football teams, including such powerhouses as Miami, Texas, Oklahoma, Alabama and Nebraska and 58 other schools. ABC bought the exclusive rights to telecast CFA games on Saturday afternoons and evenings from 1991 to 1995.

''Every major football team in the nation except Notre Dame has signed up '' said Steven Newborn of the FTC's Bureau of Competition. Notre Dame signed an exclusive contract with NBC to broadcast its home games.

The FTC also charged that Capital Cities/ABC Inc., the corporate parent of ABC, was party to the violation by signing the contract with the CFA.

During the key Saturday afternoon and evening viewing time for college football games, even local stations, syndicates and cable television operators would not be allowed to broadcast CFA games. Outside that time period, individual CFA schools are free to make their own deals with broadcasters.

The contract prohibits other networks, CBS and NBC, from televising CFA games at any time.

The government contends that the CFA-ABC agreement deprives viewers of choices between televised games that would result from a more competitive environment.

In a statement, ABC Sports said its agreement with the CFA ''is designed to offer a broad selection of college football games to the widest possible audience. The number and quality of games available to viewers will benefit viewers, advertisers and college football,'' ABC said.

ABC plans to televise 55 games during the 1991 college football season compared with 42 games scheduled to be televised by ABC and CBS in 1990,

according to an ABC spokesman.

ABC also has signed exclusive, long-term contracts to broadcast Big Ten Conference and Pacific Ten Conference football games.

''ABC has monopolized college football on Saturdays,'' Newborn said.

If the FTC rules that antitrust laws have been broken, after formal proceedings and hearings, it could rescind the CFA-ABC agreement.

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#90249u1862 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - It looks like a natural match - a huge U.S. wheat crop at the same time some Soviet stores reportedly are running short on bread - but there are obstacles to the idea of selling more U.S. wheat to the Kremlin.

The Soviet Union, in the middle of harvesting its own near-record crop, has shown little interest in buying foreign grain. There have been reports the Soviets are short on cash.

The situation has prompted some farm organizations, including the National Association of Wheat Growers, to suggest the Bush administration should let the Kremlin take advantage of U.S. short-term export credit guarantees.

''It's becoming evident the Soviets are in dire need of food supplies,'' said Carl Schwensen, the group's executive director. ''We see this as an opportunity to stimulate U.S. exports while meeting the near-term needs of the Soviets.''

Although the Wheat Growers and the U.S. Feed Grains Council urged speedy action to make the credits available, administration officials have indicated there may be no concrete action at this weekend's summit meeting in Helsinki.

Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter said there has been no change in the U.S. position that Soviet emigration laws must be revised before the Kremlin could qualify for U.S. credit programs. A subordinate, who asked not to be identified, flatly dismissed speculation that a credit package would be offered at Helsinki.

However, Rep. Pat Roberts, R-Kan., said President Bush should use the summit meeting to grant most-favored-nation trade status to the Soviet Union and to offer export credits.

''We can achieve our goals through a Soviet assurance on immigration from President (Mikhail) Gorbachev, enabling us to waive current Jackson-Vanik

restrictions on trade,'' Roberts said in a letter to Bush.

Congressional staff workers and spokesmen for two farm organizations said there was no indication the administration was considering other possible steps if export credits were out of the question.

The Kremlin has not responded to a U.S. offer last June to sell 2 million tons of wheat at subsidized prices.

U.S. wheat prices have slumped in recent weeks because of the bumper crop and a slowdown in exports.

Analyst Andy Billingham of World Perspectives, a consulting group, said the Kremlin may not re-enter the world market until it has a chance to assess its domestic grain supply. In that case, he said, the precise timing of a U.S. offer of export credits is not so important. There is a widely held view the credits eventually will be offered.

During an interview, Billingham noted the factors that could encourage U.S. action: the Gulf crisis, a desire for successful Soviet economic reforms and steps taken so far to guarantee free emigration.

The Soviet Union has announced a number of reforms in the past year, including higher prices and, in some cases, payment in ''hard'' currency, to encourage farmers to sell more of their grain to the state.

A recent report from the U.S. agricultural attache in Moscow said with the harvest half-over, the Kremlin had procured 47 percent of the grain it had ordered. Soviet estimates of a bountiful crop have been clouded by reports of fuel and equipment shortages, as well as shipping snafus.

Even with a huge crop, the Soviets are projected to import 30 million tons of grain.

The American Farm Bureau and the National Corn Growers Association favor most-favored-nation status for the Kremlin, spokesmen said, but noted U.S. concern on emigration reform.

''Our hopes ... are tempered by realization of the position of the administration,'' said Farm Bureau spokesman Don Lipton. ''We're not telling the administration to abrogate Jackson-Vanik.''

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#90249u1872 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.27	9.94
Anchor Fund Inv	14.63	15.52

Delaware Mutual	16.78	17.99
Fidelity Fund	16.71	16.71
Investors Mutual	10.95	11.52
Investors Stocks	18.15	19.11
Investors Select	8.25	8.69
IDS Equity Plus	8.96	9.44
Mass Inv Growth	8.35	9.00
Nicholas Fund	3.30	3.30
United Accumulated	6.38	6.97
United Income	17.23	18.83
Vanguard Wellington	16.11	16.11

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#90249u1876 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT 6) - Crude oil prices shot up by more than a $1 a barrel and gasoline by nearly 3 cents a gallon Thursday as oil markets reacted to news of Iraqi troops shooting an American in Kuwait.

The value of U.S. crude has now increased $5.51 a barrel, or 21.2 percent, in the last five trading sessions, and analysts look for a further rise Friday.

''The market seems to have reacted to the shooting of an American in Kuwait. It's caused people to believe there will be some sort of retalition,'' said Robert Baker, senior energy analyst with Pruudential-Bache Securities Inc. in New York.

''It started overnight. The shooting of the American affected Asian and European markets, and that set the tone,'' said Michael Broder of Dean Witter Reynolds' International Energy Futures Group in New York.

Around midday, the market received an added boost when Iraq's Justice Minister was quoted as saying any foreigner caught trying to escape without an exit visa would be jailed for a term up to life, said Chris Bray of Paine Webber Inc., Andover, Mass.

''I think the market's going to go a lot higher,'' Bray said.

In Baghdad, the Iraqi government confirmed its troops shot an American man in Kuwait, calling the shooting an accident.

''Iraqi forces fired at an American national, breaking his leg,'' Baghdad radio quoted Iraqi information director Naji al Hadithi as saying. ''This was a mistake,'' al Hadithi said.

A friend of the injured American told U.S. consular officials the man was shot in the arm, not his leg, as he tried to flee his Kuwait City hotel

room Wednesday during a roundup of Americans.

In addition to the jailing of foreigners caught trying to escape, Iraq's Justice Minister Akram Abdelkader Aliwas was quoted as saying that under a new Iraqi law they would also suffer confiscation of their property and other unnamed measures.

President Bush has said he would hold Iraqi President Saddam Hussein responsible for the welfare of U.S. and other Western hostages in Iraq and Kuwait, being held to guard against attack by a U.S.-led multinational force in the region.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery jumped $1.66 over Wednesday's close to $31.43 a barrel in trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. WTI has risen in five consecutive Merc sessions from the $25.92-a-barrel settlement of Aug. 29.

Unleaded gasoline for October delivery shot up 2.80 cents to 95.07 cents a gallon after trading as high as 95.75 cents a gallon.

Home heating oil added 4.87 cents to 88.24 cents a gallon.

On the European spot market, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - edged up 10 cents to $27.80 a barrel, adding to its Wednesday rise of $1.10 a barrel.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent climbed $1.10 to $32.65 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, where crude is bought and sold to the highest bidder, prompt-delivery WTI gained $1.70 to $31.45 a barrel.

Three companies - Sun Co. of Radnor, Pa., as well as Du Pont's Houston-based Conoco Inc. subsidiary Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp. -raised the posted price they will pay for WTI - Sun by $1.50 to $29.75 a barrel and both Conoco and Marathon by $1.75 to $30 a barrel.

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#90249u1880 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 449.83, off 1.04 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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(SEPT 6) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock				
Virco Mfg Corp	..	10PC	10-1	9-10
Usual				
Allegheny Power Sys	Q	.79	9-28	9-14
Apex Municipal Fund	..	.08	9-27	9-17
CB&T Financial Corp	Q	.12	9-20	9-6
Chrysler Corp	Q	.30	10-15	9-17
Engelhard Corp	Q	.17	9-28	9-18
General Host Corp	Q	.08	10-5	9-21
Getty Petroleum Corp	Q	.07	10-16	10-2
Informatrix 2000	Q	.02	10-15	9-21
MuniEnhanced Fund Inc	..	.06 3/4	9-27	9-17
MuniVest Fund Inc	..	.0611	9-27	9-17
Paramount Communictns	Q	.17 1/2	10-1	9-17
Sage Laboratories	A	.35	10-5	9-17
SPS Technologies	Q	.32	9-28	9-17
Taurus MiniCalif Hldgs	..	.0659	9-27	9-17
Taurus MuniNY Hldgs	..	.0689	9-27	9-17
Uni-Marts Inc A&B	Q	.02 1/2	10-19	9-28
US Healthcare Inc	Q	.09	9-26	9-13
US Healthcare Inc B	Q	.081	9-26	9-13
World Income Fund Inc	..	.1092	9-27	9-17

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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#90249u1912 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
PARIS (SEPT. 6) UPI - President Francois Mitterrand pledged Thursday he would not negotiate with Baghdad for the release of ''the victims of an act of barbarism'' but cautioned France equally would not join the United States in an attack on Iraq without a U.N. mandate.

Speaking at a news conference broadcast live on four television channels, the Socialist leader stressed he hoped President Bush and Soviet counterpart Mikhail Gorbachev would promise to confine the prospect of military action against Iraq to the U.N. framework when they meet at Helsinki for a summit next week-end.

Mitterrand repeated his view first stated last month that ''the logic of war'' continues to prevail even if ''we are doing all we can to get out of

it while respecting the rule of law.'' Only an ''implacable'' execution of the U.N. embargo against Iraq offered a hope for peaceful solution of the stand-off, he said.

Mitterrand called the news conference hurriedly at the Elysee Palace to put his views to the French in advance of the Helsinki summit.

Asked if he would commit French forces in the gulf to follow a U.S. strike on Baghdad, Mitterrand replied he ''will only engage France in the execution of dispositions of the United Nations.''

''For the moment France, has not received such a mandate,'' Mitterrand said.

France only would intervene militarily otherwise if Iraq attacked another country in the region or if controls by Western navies on a ship trying to break the embargo against Iraq led to what Mitterrand called ''a chain reaction'' causing a military conflict.

Mitterrand characterized France's stance as essentially defensive but pointed out France was the second largest Western force in the region. He said Paris was considering reinforcing its forces there if necessary.

The French leader insisted there was no question of France negotiating with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's government for the release of some 430 French hostages still being held in Iraq and Kuwait. These French hostages were ''victims of an act of barbarism,'' Mitterrand said.

''Our duty is never to abandon them but also never to cede to pressures of that sort,'' said Mitterrand, who came under heavy international fire this year for what was seen as negotiating with Libyan leader Col. Moammar Gadhafi for the release of a French women hostage, Jacqueline Valente.

Mitterrand shrugged off questions about differences within his government over policy toward Iraq and said that as president and commander-in-chief of French armed forces he decided ultimately on major defense issues.

There has been speculation recently that Defense Minister Jean- Pierre Chevenement may resign because he is at odds with the hawkish stance of Prime Minister Michel Rocard and Foreign Minister Roland Dumas.

Mitterrand said he had consulted with Chevenement and they had no differences of opinion.

''There is only one sole way forward and only one military policy of France.''

In another development, the newspaper Le Monde reported France has decided

to suspend arms deliveries to Jordan pending a study of Jordanian policy.

However the newspaper admitted the gesture was largely ''hypothetical'' as the only arms Jordan has on order from France are 12 Mirage 1,000 warplanes and those were not to scheduled to be delivered until the middle of next year.

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#90249u1913 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - Defending champion Boris Becker, starting slow on a hazy, hot day, fell behind by a set and a service break before fighting back for a four-set victory over Aaron Krickstein Thursday to gain a semifinal berth in the U.S. Open.

Becker, the second seed, also fell behind 3-0 in the fourth set before sweeping the final six games for a 3-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3 victory.

The 22-year-old West German thus advances to the semis Saturday, when he will meet the winner of Thursday night's match between No. 4 Andre Agassi and unseeded Andrei Cherkasov.

Krickstein, who never before had won a set from Becker in four previous meetings, took the initiative in the opening set with service breaks in the fourth and sixth games. Becker contributed to his troubles with a double-fault on break point of the sixth game.

Becker managed to break only in the fifth game and Krickstein served out the set, yielding a single point on his final two service games.

Krickstein, who lost to Becker in the semifinals of last year's Open, broke service to start the second set and held at 15 to go up 2-0.

''He had 3-6 and 0-2, and I said I have to start to play,'' Becker recalled later. ''At the end he was tired, he had no energy and he couldn't go down for the shots.

''A best-of-five match goes over a couple of hours. You lose the first set you're not out of it. I hope I can keep my mind and try to fight every point.''

In the words of an admiring Krickstein, Becker ''raised his game to a higher level'' at this point.

''He gave me every opportunity to beat him, but I didn't take advantage,'' Krickstein said. ''You know he's tough on big points. He's a big-point player, and you have to take advantage of the opportunities. If I played well I had a good chance to go up two sets.

''When you come back in so many matches like he's done, he's probably got all the confidence in the world. He thinks he can win even when he's not playing his best.''

Trailing 2-0, Becker won the next five games and eight of nine, carrying him to 2-0 in the third set. After Krickstein squandered four break points in the fourth game, Becker broke again in the fifth and took the set easily.

Krickstein still had a good chance to pull even, jumping to a 3-0 lead in the fourth set. He broke in the second game at 30 when Becker sent a backhand volley out.

But Krickstein couldn't win another game, while Becker appeared to get stronger.

''I didn't play my best by any means,'' said Krickstein, 23. ''I missed some shots and all of a sudden, I started losing my confidence and he started serving better.''

Becker, who generally plays a reckless, daredevil style, was more contained on the hard courts of the National Tennis Center, engaging Krickstein in many long baseline rallies.

''He was playing deep and I had to wait,'' said Becker, who ventured to the net 45 times, winning 28 of the points.

Krickstein said Becker's strategy confused him.

''I thought he'd serve and volley more,'' he explained. ''That definitely threw me off a little bit. I should want that if I'm going to beat him.''

Becker delivered 10 aces but also had seven double faults in the 2 hour and 36 minute match.

In the other semifinal Saturday, unseeded John McEnroe, a four-time Open champion, will play 12th seed Pete Sampras.

The women's semifinals are scheduled for Friday with Steffi Graf, the two-time defending champion and No. 1 seed, playing No. 6 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario and No. 5 Gabriela Sabatini opposing No. 8 Mary Joe Fernandez.

The Australian team of Elizabeth Smylie and Todd Woodbridge won the mixed doubles championship with a 6-4, 6-2 victory over Natalia Zvereva of the Soviet Union and Californian Jim Pugh.

Smylie and Woodbridge, seeded eighth, did not drop a set in five matches.

The only other team to sweep to the mixed doubles title without the loss of a set during the open era was Margaret Court and Marty Riessen in 1969, and they won their first two matches by default.

The winners share $42,500 and the losers divide $20,000.

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#90249u1918 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - The Coca-Cola Co. has chartered a fleet of refrigerated trucks to bring 480,000 cans of the ''real thing'' across the desert to U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia as part of a $2 million effort by four U.S. corporations to support the USO, the military support organization said Thursday.

The USO, a civilian, non-profit organization created in 1941 to serve the off-duty needs of the U.S. military and their families, last month announced it needed to raise funds to finance its start-up operations in the Middle East during the Persian Gulf crisis.

Together with Coca-Cola, American Telephone & Telegraph Co., Anheuser-Busch Co. and insurer American International Group Inc. were the first companies to answer USO's call with donations of $500,000 each.

''We needed something big to begin our operations in the Middle East, and we figured that $2 million would get us started,'' said USO spokesman Kevin McCarthy. ''These four companies responded right away, but this is just the start and we don't know yet what budget we will need, depending on how long the conflict lasts. We might be talking about $5 million, or $10 million.''

On top of its financial contribution, Coca-Cola offered to supply U.S. servicemen with what might be most needed in the torrid Saudi Arabian desert - a cold drink.

''The U.S. forces insisted we should bring cold cans, so we chartered refrigerated trucks to distribute 20,000 cases of cold Coca- Cola,'' said spokesman Randy Donaldson. ''That's 480,000 cans which were distributed in cooperation with the U.S. military. In many cases, the trucks could not reach the camps far out in the desert and had to be towed by military vehicles.''

Donaldson said Coca-Cola distributed about $100,000 worth of soft drinks.

Until a year ago, Coca-Cola was not even sold in Saudi Arabia, which, like many other Arab countries, had boycotted the U.S. soft drink manufacturer because it was selling its products in Israel. The boycott gave rival Pepsico Inc. the competitive edge in the Middle East for a long time.

''Coca-Cola was put on a boycott list by about 20 Arab countries in the late 1960s, but half of these countries have since taken Coca-Cola off the list and we went back to Saudi Arabia a year ago, although most of the product sold there is manufactured in Oman,'' Donaldson said.

While Coca-Cola might end up gaining exposure in the Saudi market, the USO stressed that donating companies were not out to use the crisis as a publicity opportunity but were answering the call of national solidarity.

''It certainly is in times like this that all Americans, including U.S. corporations, keep up the tradition of this country of stepping forward to support the young men and women who volunteered for the defense of the nation and its ideals,'' McCarthy said. ''These four companies have long been supporters of USO in many ways. They were the first to respond and we needed to raise a lot of money in a matter of days.''

Anheuser-Busch, the producer of Budweiser, the best-selling U.S. beer, has no interest in Saudi Arabia, where drinking alcoholic beverages is banned altogether, he said.

''The USO has been a friend of servicemen and women in times of peace and in times of emergency for half a century,'' said Anheuser- Busch Chairman and President August A. Busch III. ''We are proud to be helping the USO as it reaches out to our troops in the Middle East at a critical time.''

The brewer has contributed a total of $3.5 million to USO over the past five years, including a scholarship for relatives of servicemen.

But McCarthy, the USO spokesman, noted that generous contributions could remind U.S. servicemen that, back in the United States, some corporations were more supportive of their efforts than others.

''We'll make public that these companies made donations,'' McCarthy said. ''We'll hang their banners at our concerts and events.''

The four companies themselves have kept a low profile about their tax-deductible contributions.

''It just seemed to us as the absolute correct thing to do,'' American International spokesman Michael Foreman said. ''It is not advertisement.''

Marilyn Monroe touring Korea probably provided the most glamorous page in the USO's entertainment history, but the organization said it was planning on bringing the very best to the U.S. servicemen in the Middle East.

''We'll bring awesome entertainment, whether it is rock, rap or urban music or anything else, provided it is acceptable to the U.S. military and

local governments,'' McCarthy said.

The USO is not ruling out the possibility of organizing a super concert in the desert, in the recent tradition of large rock events celebrating major causes, such as the fall of the Berlin Wall, McCarthy said.

''But obviously this would raise problems in terms of logistics,'' McCarthy said.

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#90249u1927 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - The United States plans to begin an airlift from Kuwait Friday using an Iraqi jetliner to evacuate some of the 2,600 Americans trapped in the beseiged Persian Gulf emirate, the State Department said Thursday.

The ''flight of mercy'' aboard a U.S.-chartered Iraqi Airways jet marks the first agreement between the United States and Iraq to permit the evacuation of U.S. citizens from Kuwait or Iraq, other than diplomatic personnel and their families.

It was not clear whether American men would be allowed to join women and children being permitted to leave Kuwait. Iraqi troops, who invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 and deposed the government, have been rounding up Western males and shipping them to potential military targets in Iraq to use them as shields against an attack.

In the agreement struck by the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, the plane is to pick up U.S. citizens in Kuwait, return to Baghdad for the issuance of exit permits at planeside, then fly to Amman, Jordan, the State Department said.

There was no indication whether the flight would be the first of many, how many Americans would be permitted to leave at one time, whether Iraq would receive anything in exchange or how much it cost to charter the aircraft.

''Obviously, this is a flight of mercy, a flight intended to help Americans who have been held hostage against their will,'' said Mark Dillen, a State Department spokesman.

''We plan to continue this procedure as long as we have U.S. citizens who want to leave Iraq and Kuwait,'' he said. ''So far, over 150 U.S. citizens have left Iraq by charter flights.''

''We only know of one flight for sure, and that's the one scheduled for tomorrow,'' Dillen said.

About 2,600 Americans remain in Iraq, he said.

At the same time, Dillen said at least 12 Americans were aboard a Canadian-chartered Iraqi Airways jetliner that had departed Baghdad to evacuate Westerners from Kuwait and Iraq.

The plane left Baghdad for Kuwait at 9 a.m. EDT to pick up Canadians and other Westerners for a flight to Ankara, Turkey. The jetliner was to stop in Baghdad on the way to Ankara for exit permits for the passengers, Dillen said.

The State Department has been notifying Americans in Kuwait through radio broadcasts to expect an airlift and to telephone the U.S. Embassy there for details.

''If you cannot get through, keep trying,'' the notification said. ''Do not, repeat, do not attempt to go to the embassy compound, where Iraqi military are still positioned.''

It also warned American women and children in Kuwait not to try to drive to Baghdad without their husbands and fathers because of ''difficulties'' they would face making the trip and ''in light of the prospects for air evacuation.''

The broadcasts were carried by the Voice of America and the British Broadcasting Corp.

Iraqi forces surrounded several Western embassies and cut off water and electricity after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein demanded that all embassies in Kuwait be closed, a move would bolster Iraq's claimed annexation of Kuwait.

The United States and other countries have refused the order and Ambassador Nathaniel Howell continues to hold out in the U.S. Embassy with a small staff in the face of dwindling supplies of food and water. There was no indication whether Howell and his staff would be evacuated with other Americans.

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#90249u1937 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - A U.N. stamp depicting three bearded men in long black coats carrying sacks near a blazing house drew criticism Thursday from Jewish leaders, who called the drawing blatantly anti-Semitic.

The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith asked that the stamp, part of a collection of six stamps issued by the U.N. Postal Administration, be recalled because of its resemblance to anti-Semitic caricatures of Jews,

particularly in the Hitler era.

The stamps are to be released Sept. 13 by the United Nations.

The stamp shows three bearded men who have prominent noses carrying sacks that the ADL says represents money or stolen goods taken from a building they have apparently set on fire. The stamp is part of a series called ''Crime Prevention.''

ADL officials met with U.N. Postal Administration Chief Anthony Fouracre and asked that the stamp be recalled, said Justin Finger, ADL's associate national director.

The stamp's design, by Josef Ryzec of Czechoslovakia, has been described in a European paper as a portrayal of Charles Dickens' character, Fagin, in Oliver Twist.

''We have no evidence that these individuals were intended by the artist to be Jews, nor do we impugn the motives of your office,'' wrote Finger. ''Nevertheless, the troubling resemblance to historic anti- Semitic material has struck a chord throughout the international Jewish community.''

U.N. officials could not immediately be reached for comment.

The 36-cent stamp is aimed mainly at collectors and those mailing from the United Nations.

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#90249u1960 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (SEPT. 6) UPI - Aggressive campaigns to develop new tobacco markets in the Far East are beginning to pay off in additional revenue to American farmers, the head of an industry group said Thursday.

The opening of cigarette markets in Japan, South Korea and Taiwan has generated an additional $287 million for American farmers over the past four years, said Farrell Delman, president of the Tobacco Merchants Association.

Delman, in a visit to the Kentucky Farm Bureau, said a new study by Princeton, N.J.-based TMA shows ''an additional 180 million pounds of U.S. tobacco, or a gain of nearly 25 percent over predicted Far East levels, cleared the auction floors from 1986-1989 due to market liberalization.''

For burley growers, the new markets expanded sales by $166.7 million as an additional 106 million pounds of burley was sold over the four years. Kentucky produces about 72 percent of all burley tobacco grown in the

United States.

The report - titled ''U.S. Cigarette Exports to Asia 1986-1989: Multi-Million Dollar Gains for U.S. Tobacco Farmers'' - chronicles the gains U.S. tobacco farmers have made since the opening of the Asian cigarette markets.

Not only have growers sold more leaf to U.S. manufacturers since the market openings, they also benefited from increased purchases by foreign manufacturers who bought additional American tobacco to compete with high quality U.S. products.

U.S. tobacco farmers should view these increases as signs of future growth opportunities, Delman said. Gains in these markets are providing additional momentum for the worldwide demand of high quality American blend cigarettes and the large percentage of burley found in the blend.

Satisfying this demand for increased amounts of U.S. burley and flue-cured tobacco is further complicated by under-production of tobacco quotas by farmers.

Japan, South Korea and Taiwan have all been opened to U.S. cigarettes by the U.S. Government since 1986. Negotiations are currently under way between the United States and Thailand to permit sales of U.S. cigarettes in that country. The Soviet Union is currently considering the purchase of American tobacco products.

''In contrast to the large trade deficits that the overall U.S. economy generates with Japan, Taiwan and South Korea, the U.S. tobacco industry produces a significant trade surplus with these Asian nations,'' Delman said.

The tobacco industry's successful entry into the Asian market, however, was sharply criticized by the head of an anti-smoking group.

''We have one set of standards for our own citizens, and another set of standards for foreign peoples,'' said Patrick Reynolds, director of the Foundation for a Smokefree America, in a telephone interview Thursday.

''The Marlboro and Winston men are plastered on billboards all over Asia and Third World capitals giving millions of people the idea that Americans don't care about their health, but care only about extracting profits,'' said Reynolds. ''The tobacco companies know this and are exploiting these people to addict millions of new smokers.''

Reynolds, the grandson of tobacco magnate R.J. Reynolds, said that since 1968 smoking worldwide has increased 73 percent and in China it's growing at a rate of 9 percent a year.

''They are taking advantage of peoples eager for the U.S. products but whose awareness of the health consequences of smoking is far less than our own,'' he said. ''Farmers who cultivate tobacco could choose to plant crops that nourish people and not poison them.''

Kentucky Farm Bureau spokesman Gary Huddleston said the pro and con health issue of tobacco exports is simply a ''smokescreen.''

''We are not teaching them to smoke. They are smoking at a much higher rate as we are,'' he said. ''We are just trying to convince them that our brands are the best.''

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#90249u1980 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday that the basic U.S. money supply, narrowly defined under the name of M1, fell $2.2 billion in the latest reporting week. The broader aggregates M2 and M3 respectively fell and rose in the period.

M2 decreased by $700 million and M3 rose by $3.9 billion.

M1, which is made up of cash, checking accounts and NOW accounts - money that is available for immediate spending - fell to a seasonally adjusted average of $815.4 billion in the week ended Aug. 27 from a revised $817.6 billion the week before.

Over the latest 13 weeks, M1 averaged $811.1 billion, a 2.7 percent rate of increase from the previous 13 weeks, the Fed reported.

The broader measure of money, M2, averaged an estimated $3,304.7 billion in the latest week, down from a revised!$?,305.4 billion. M2 includes M1, plus passbook savings, small time deposits, including money market deposit accounts, consumer money market mutual funds and certain other short-term assets.

M3, which includes M2 plus large time deposits, repurchase agreements longer than one day at banks and thrifts, and institutional money market funds, averaged $4,091.3 billion in the latest week, up from a revised $4,087.4 billion, the Fed said.

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#90249u1988 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (SEPT. 6) UPI - Tropical Storm Isidore churned in open Atlantic waters with top winds of 70 mph, and forecasters said Thursday they expected the season's ninth storm to strengthen into a hurricane.

At 6 p.m. EDT, Isidore was centered near latitude 15.7 north, longitude 36.3 west, or about 800 miles west of the Cape Verde Islands off the African coast, said Max Mayfield, hurricane specialist at the National Hurricane Center.

The storm was moving northwest at 15 mph and was expected to continue that motion for the next 24 hours.

Maximum sustained winds were 70 mph, just 4 mph below mimimal hurricane strength, and Mayfield said Isidore was expected to gain hurricane status by day's end.

''It has a lot of things going for it,'' Mayfield said. ''It's over warm sea surface temperatures. The upper-level environment is very well established for strengthening.''

Tropical storm-force winds extended as far as 115 miles from Isidore's center, but Mayfield said the storm still was far from land and its path was unpredictable.

''It's way, way too early to even start thinking about its potential effect on land,'' Mayfield said. ''It's turning more toward the northwest and away from any land, which is good news. But one of our computer models is showing that could turn back toward the west within a few days.''

Isidore is ''at least five or six days from the Caribbean, if it were to turn back to the west,'' Mayfield said.

Isidore, the ninth named storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, developed from a tropical depression Wednesday. Three storms - Bertha, Diana and Gustav - have grown to hurricane strength this season.

Forecasters said the nine-storm total was two or three more storms than average for this time of year, but the impact of those storms has been minimal. The season runs from June 1 to Nov. 30.

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#90249u1992 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 6) UPI - The Industrial Bank of Japan Ltd. announced Thursday the formation of an American subsidiary, The Bridgeford Group Inc., to provide merger and acquisition advisory services.

The moves marks the first time a Japanese bank has established its own American mergers subsidiary.

The bank, Japan's largest long-term credit bank, has been involved in

large mergers, including the $25 billion buyout of RJR Nabisco Inc. by Kohlberg, Kravis, Roberts & Co. in 1988.

The group will be uniquely positioned to provide services for mergers and acquisitions between the United States and Japan, the bank said in a statement.

John A. Herrmann Jr. will become president and chief executive officer of the group, the bank said.

''Through IBJ's cross-industrial client network, we will be able to advise Americans wishing to invest in or raise capital from Japan, or who are seeking Japanese business partners,'' Herrmann said. ''Our expertise as advisors will complement the strength of the bank's corporate clients, enabling us to counsel Japanese companies seeking co- investor, co-venturer or acquisition transactions in the U.S.''

Herrman has been a managing director in the mergers division of Lehman Brothers, the investment banking subsidiary of Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc.

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#90249u2008 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - Fidelity Investments, the nation's biggest mutual-fund operator, said Thursday it bought the discount-brokerage business of First Interstate Bancorp of Houston for an undisclosed amount.

Fidelity said it will be taking over First Interstate's 25,000 accounts in Texas, California, Arizona, Oregon, Idaho and Washington state effective Sept. 17.

The purchase is the fifth Fidelity has made in the past 12 months, bringing the total number of its accounts to more than 100,000, the company said.

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#90249u2015 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - Democratic leaders scrambled Thursday, on the eve of their latest budget summit with Republicans, to come up with a deficit-reduction plan they had pledged to have ready by the opening of the talks.

President Bush planned to open the budget summit, scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. Friday at Andrews Air Force Base, before heading to Finland for a meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, administration officials said.

Bush, addressing a fundraiser in Kansas, softened the critical stance he had taken earlier toward the Democrats with a last-minute call for bipartisanship in the budget talks.

''I pledge to work with the leaders in Congress on both sides of the aisle to get an agreement that makes real cuts in the deficit,'' Bush said. ''The time for partisanship is past. The time for avoiding tough decisions is gone. ... Let's fix this budget mess once and for all.''

House Speaker Tom Foley, D-Wash., Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine and chairman of the budget talks, Rep. Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., confessed at a midafternoon news conference that Democrats had yet to reach a consensus on a formula to reduce the federal deficit.

But the three leaders reaffirmed their commitment to a package that would lower the deficit by $50 billion in fiscal year 1991, which begins Oct. 1, and by $500 billion over the next five years.

The Democratic budget negotiators met in the Capitol all day and into the evening in an attempt to hammer out a comprehensive proposal for the talks.

There were reports in recent weeks that Democrats might seek a smaller first-year reduction due to the weakening economy and new costs associated with the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

''I was happy to see the Democrats have committed themselves to going back to the original game plan,'' House Republican leader Robert Michel, R-Ill. told reporters later.

As the budget talks drew near, both sides expressed determination to reach an agreement to avert $105 billion in automatic spending cuts that take effect Oct. 1 under the Gramm-Rudman deficit-reduction law without a settlement.

Those cuts would be split evenly between defense and domestic spending, with certain programs exempted, such as Social Security and most entitlement programs for the poor. Cuts in Mediare benefits cannot exceed 2 percent and Bush has exempted military personnel.

The budget negotiators have given themselves an unofficial deadline of Monday to reach a settlement. They plan to remain cloistered at Andrews Air Force Base, 15 miles east of Washington, for the entire weekend in an effort to avoid the distractions of Capitol Hill.

''We are prepared to do what it takes, whatever it takes, to reach an agreement,'' Mitchell said.

Michel and Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas said they were hopeful the talks would produce an agreement by Sunday or Monday, in time for Bush to give his stamp of approval when he returns from Helsinki.

''If we don't get a budget agreement, we're in real trouble,'' Dole said after a strategy session with Republican leaders.

Because the annual deficit-reduction targets set by law exceed the goals of the budget negotiators, any package they produce will have to extend the time it will take to balance the budget.

The Congressional Budget Office has estimated the federal deficit at $168.8 billion, which under current law must be reduced to $64 billion in fiscal 1991.

Mitchell said support for a $50 billion-$500 billion package ''represents the unanimous view of the Democratic members of the negotiating group.''

''The hope is that both sides will have plans to present tomorrow morning '' Gephardt said.

The Democrats have pledged since earlier this summer, when some details of an administration deficit-reduction strategy were leaked, that they would have their own plan to put on the table when budget talks resumed in September.

Key elements of an administration plan disclosed in July by Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., included a $10,000 cap on state and local tax deductions from federal taxes, a revenue-raising measure aimed primarily at higher-income brackets, and a $7.2 billion increase in alcohol taxes.

Assistant House Republican leader Newt Gingrich of Georgia, a budget negotiator, has proposed a broad-based tax cut, instead of a tax increases to stimulate the economy and ward off a recession.

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#90249u2016 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (SEPT. 6) UPI - John Labatt Ltd. Thursday reported first-quarter 1991 earnings of $42.5 million, 48 cents a share, up 14 percent from $37.4 million, 47 cents a share, in the year-ago period.

Revenues at the food and brewing company increased to $1.25 billion up from $1.12 billion in the first quarter of 1990.

Labatt said higher earnings in its food segment resulted from increased revenues and a one-time gain on the sale of certain dairy assets.

Brewing segment earnings were reduced as the company's Canadian industry volume declined 2 percent due to ''unseasonably cool, wet weather in most regions,'' Labatt said.

Labatt USA had another strong quarter with its Rolling Rock brand continuing to grow in a flat market, the company said.

Labatt is a primarily a food and brewing company but also has interests in broadcast, entertainment and other businesses. Labatt operates Canada's sport cable network, TSN, and has a partnership interest in baseball's American League East division Toronto Blue Jays.

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#90249u2046 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - The government announced Thursday it had warned six food companies to remove unsubstantiated health claims from cereals, baked goods and other food products.

The six companies have 10 days to respond to letters warning them that their produces contain health messages that violate the federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, said Food and Drug Admnistration spokesman Jeff Nesbit.

The action was taken against:

-Oat Chex, a cereal made by the Ralston Purina Co. of St. Louis.

-Toasted Oat Bran Shake, which is made by J&J Snack Foods Corp. of Vernon, Calif.

-Rice Bran Oil, made by Select Origins, Inc., of Yaphank, N.Y.

-Oatmeal Goodness Bread Wheat Oatmeal, which is made by Continental Baking Co., of St. Louis.

-Vita Fiber Rice Bran, made by Pacific Rice Products, Inc., of Woodland, Calif.

-Oat Bran Fruit Jumbo Cakes, made by Health Valley Foods, Inc., of Irwindale, Calif.

Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan proposed a new policy in February aimed at eliminating the proliferation of unproven health claims from food labels.

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TOPEKA, KA (SEPT. 6) UPI - President Bush accepted an offer from Saddam Hussein Thursday to deliver a broadcast on Iraqi television, calling it "a real opportunity" to explain the stern U.S. response to the invasion of Kuwait.

White house press secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters aboard Air Force One en route to a campaign stop in Topeka, ''We have not heard from Iraq directly, (but) we accept this offer to broadcast a message to the Iraqi people.''

The Iraqi information minister announced Thursday that Bush was being invited to address the Iraqi people. During a brief session with reporters on the plane, Bush said of the invitation, ''It's a real opportunity.''

Fitzwater said the broadcast message would be translated by the State Department and likely be delivered to Iraqi officials the middle of next week.

''We'll handle the entire package,'' he said. Brushing aside concerns Iraqi President Saddam would renege on the offer or censor Bush's message, Fitztwarer said, ''We assume that their offer means that they will broadcast it in its entirety, and certainly we will make it available to the rest of the world.''

At a later stop in Tallahassee, Fla., Bush offered a possible prelude to his Iraqi TV message, saying, ''Our argument is not with the people of Iraq. Rather it's with Iraq's dictator, who uses innocent travelers as shield'' - a reference to thousands of Americans and other Westerners

being held against their will in Iraq.

With more than 100,000 American troops in Saudi Arabia and 50 U.S. warships in the region, Bush said, ''We seek a peaceful solution to this crisis, but on one point, let me be clear. There can be no compromise when it comes to the sovereignty of Kuwait.''

Saddam has made regular appearances on American television and in a recent CBS interview said he wanted to debate Bush over the military confrontation sparked by the occupation of Kuwait.

''I say he can put an empty chair there as far as I'm concerned,'' Bush replied at an Aug. 30 news conference.

But Bush also has noted since the Aug. 2 invasion that Saddam has had ample access to the U.S. airwaves and he has complained about the high profile exposure given Saddam and other Iraqi officials.

In a speech at a Topeka fundraiser for Kansas Republican Gov. Mike Hayden, Bush declared the U.S. military mission in the gulf may not be easy ''but it will always be right'' and pledged to do whatever is necessary to restore peace in the region.

At the Tallahassee fundraiser for Rep. Bill Grant, R-Fla., Bush again focused attention on the gulf and his weekend summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in Helsinki, Finland.

''The squeeze is on - Saddam Hussein is up against a united front,'' said Bush, noting that forces from 25 nations stand side by side in the gulf against Iraqi and countries worldwide are headinf xhe United Nations embargo against Baghdad.

''The world is united against this aggression and I am glad that the Soviet Union is on our side,'' Bush paid.

On a related point, Fitzwater denied a report that Bush wuld offer economic aid to the Soviet Union if Gorbachev pulls some 200 military advisers out of Iraq.

Fitzwater said the United States is sticking to the criteria laid down at the Houston economic summit in July that called for Soviet economic reforms before Western financial assistance is given.

At both stops, Bush also referred to budget negotiations that are to resume Friday between congressional leaders and administration officials. If they fail to meet an Oct. 1 deadline for resolving the deficit-cutting standoff, more than $100 billion in automatic spending will be imposed on government programs.

''The time for partisanship is past. The time for action is now,'' Bush said. ''Let's fix this budget mess once and for all.''

The negotiators were to meet at Andrews Air Force Base and Bush planned to visit the talks Friday morning before leaving for Helsinki.

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PROVO, UT (SEPT. 6) UPI - The brother of a young tourist slain during a New York subway mugging challenged city officials Thursday to ''get in touch with the people'' to prevent another such killing.

Todd Watkins, who was with 22-year-old Brian Watkins when he was stabbed near the heart by one of eight reputed gang members, was near tears as he read a prepared statement quoting the Bible and urging the city to train employees ward off similar tragedies.

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Karen and Sherwin Watkins, accompanied by their sons Brian and Todd and Todd's wi&e, were on their way to a restaurant Sunday night following a day at the U.S. Open tennis tournament when the gang descended.

Watkins was fatally stabbed as he went to the defense of his mother.

''A greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends,'' Todd Watkins read from the Bible, as other family members sat quietly, appearing tired and depressed.

New York Police Commissioner Lee Brown called the challenge ''appropriate.''

''What we must do is take that challenge and all of us in New York work together to make sure that we stamp those who choose to violate the law,'' he said at a news conference where he also announced the arrest of 240 people in midtown Manhattan on drug charges.

Brown said the estimated 20 million tourists who visit the city each year

should realize that the stabbing was ''the exception, not the rule'' on a subway system that handles about 3.5 million riders a day.

Todd Watkins said the family's Mormon faith was helping them through the tragedy.

''This has been a very difficult time for our family, as you can imagine '' Watkins said as his parents sat nearby with their arms entwined. ''All we know through this hour is that God lives.''

''God has blessed us in these past days with strength, courage, friends and each other,'' he said. ''We have chosen to take the more difficult path of faith and patience, and not embitterment toward God. The Mormon Church believes that families will be together, even after death.''

Eight members of the FTS gang, which allegedly requires members to commit a mugging as an initiation rite have pleaded innocent to murder charges. The suspects range in age from 17 to 20.

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PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. (SEPT. 6) UPI - The sale of Pebble Beach's world-class golf resorts to a Japanese-owned company bucks a recent slowdown in Japanese buying of U.S. real estate, particularly ''trophy'' properties, analysts said Thursday.

Ben Hogan Properties, a subsidiary of Japan's Cosmo World Co., said Wednesday it would buy Pebble Beach Co. from the Los Angeles partnership of Miller, Klutznick, Davis & Gray.

The deal, estimated to be worth between $800 million and $1 billion, gave the Japanese-owned company control of some of California's best known private real estate, including the scenic 17-Mile Drive along the Monterey Peninsula as well as the Spyglass Hill, Pebble BeaSh, Del Monte and Spanish Bay golf resorts.

The 0urchase went against a national trend that saw Japanese investment in U.S. real estate fall last year to $14.77 billion from $16.54 billion in 1988, according to the Kenneth Leventhal & Co. accounting and consulting firm.

The sale showed that Japanese investors have not backed away from high-profile U.S. acquisitions but are only being more selective, said Jack Barthell, a managing director in Leventhal's Los Angeles office.

''The Japanese are saying that even though an acquisition may be a symbolic national asset and could arouse some concern, that acquisition

should be done when there is a clear business purpose for it,'' Barthell said.

Last year, Japanese investors reportedly shied away from trophy purchases in the United States because of public outcry over what some saw as the ''selling of America'' to foreign buyers.

In a year-end survey released in March, Leventhal found that many Japanese buyers sought secondary properties or development partners in 1989 to avoid the publicity around trophy deals.

Today, those concerns appear to have largely died down, analysts said.

''We're becoming used to everything,'' said Jack Cooper, managing director of investment real estate for Bank of America. ''I think we are much more tolerant of foreign investment now as a nation.''

Many observers had expected Cosmo to initially buy just a 49 percent interest in Pebble Beach. Changing attitudes about foreign ownership may have convinced the company to swing the deal all at once, Barthell said.

! -everal analysts doubted that an American investor could have afforded to pay nearly $1 billion for Pebble Beach, which despite its glamour posted a net loss of $8.7 million last year, largely because of debt burdens.

''This would only be sold to the Japanese today,'' Evans said.

The Japanese may try to boost earnings by selling private memberships to the golf courses to people in Japan - where a club membership can cost more than $1 million. Ben Hogan said it planned no major operational changes but hoped to expand the facilities.

''I don't know that there is a lot of profit for them there from a cash flow point!oj view,'' Bank of America's Cooper said. ''But there is not a lot of cash flow there when you by a Rembrandt either, and that's just what they've done here.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 6) UPI - The government said Thursday it has warned six food companies to remove unsubstantiated health claims from cereals, baked goods and other food products.

The six companies have 10 days to respond to letters warning them that their produces contain health messages that violate the federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, said Food and Drug Administration spokesman Jeff Nesbit.

The action was taken against:

-Oat Chex, a cereal made by the Ralston Purina Co. of St. Louis.

-Toasted Oat Bran Shake, which is made by J&J Snack Foods Corp. of Vernon, Calif.

-Rice Bran Oil, made by Select Origins Inc., of Yaphank, N.Y.

-Oatmeal Goodness Bread Wheat Oatmeal, which is made by Continental Baking Co., of St. Louis.

-Vita Fiber Rice Bran, made by Pacific Rice Products Inc., of Woodland, Calif.

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SHARPES, FL (SEPT. 6) UPI - A University of Florida freshman suspected in the serial killings of five college students was charged Thursday with two

assault charges for campus incidents that occured a day before the first bodies were discovered.

The University of Florida police obtained arrest warrants several hours after a Brevard County judge refused to reduce a $1 million bond set for suspect Edward L. Humphrey, 18, saying he may be psychotic and a danger to the community.

Humphrey was being held in the Brevard County Detention Center on a charge of aggravated battery in the Aug. 30 beating of his grandmother, Elna Hlavaty, 79, of Indialantic.

''We secured warrants for the arrest of Edward Louis Humphrey for two counts of aggravated assualt in connection with two separate incidents that occurred on the University of Florida campus on Aug. 25, 1990,'' said UF Police officer Janet Gerrity.

On Aug. 26, Gainesville police discovered the bodies of the first victims at an apartment complex just 2 miles from campus.

''It's the university's case, but we're looking at it as additional information we will certainly explore. It's another piece of the puzzle,'' said Lt. Sadie Darnell. ''It concerns other people, not our ''adie Dar

Bond on the new charges was set at $100,000, and details of the assault were sealed under a court order, Gerrity said.

Earlier Thursday, Brevard County Circuit Judge Martin Budnick denied the defense request to reduce Humphrey's $1 million bond.

''I'm not confident or comfortable that Mr. Humprhey is in full control of himself,'' Budnick said after a two-hour hearing. ''I see a great deal of acting out - neurotic, psychotic behavior - that concerns me. ... I think he may be a danger to the community.''

Humphrey, who appeared calm and lucid, said nothing except to give his name and age in response to the judge. Humphrey has a history of depression and has had the medication lithium prescribed for him.

Five college students, four from the University of Florida and one from Santa Fe Community College, were found stabbed to death in their apartments during a 48-hour period between Aug. 26 and Aug. 28. At least three of the bodies were mutilated and two of the students had also been bludgeoned.

The victims included four young women and a boyfriend of one of the victims. All lived within 2 miles of the University of Florida campus.

Humphrey once lived in the same Gatorwood apartment complex as some of the victims, but police have never released any evidence linking the young man to the killings.

During the hearing, Hlavaty testified she wanted the initial assault charge against her grandson dropped, saying she was willing to have him move back to her home.

''I just know that in my opinion he is not capable of doing what he did,'' said Hlavaty, who had a black-and-blue eye. ''I want to drop charges.''

Prosecutors allege Humphrey struck his grandmother at least twice, causing her eye to swell shut and bloodying her face.

But Hlavaty testified she was injured in a fall. ''I hit the floor, the concrete with linoleum on it. I can't remember,'' she said.

Brevard County State Attorney Norm Wolfinger argued for the $1 million bond, saying Humphrey ''is a suspect in the Gainesville murders and he knows that.''

Public Defender James Russo objected, saying the state presented no evidence linking Humphrey to the crimes. Budnick said the Gainesville slayings had no bearing on his decision to uphold the bond.

In conflict with Hlavaty's testimony, Brevard County Deputy Sheriff Douglas Hammack, who arrested Humphrey on the assault charge, testified that Hlavaty told him she did not want Humphrey in her house ''because she was afraid he would hurt her again.''

While in the patrol car, ''the defendant started to yell 'I'm sorry. I hit her. I hit her. I'm sorry.' He started hitting his head against my patrol car. ... He said he was going to kill himself,'' Hammack said.

The state also presented a document showing that deputies had been called to the family home 12 times between April 1989 and August 10, 1990.

Brevard County corrections officer Emily Glaab said Humphrey called himself ''John'' while in jail. The officer testified that once when being led past female inmates who were heckling him, Humphrey said '''That bitch is going to die.' ... He said that John doesn't take no prisoners.''

In Gainesville, police armed with a warrant searched the Hawaiian Village complex where Humphrey had lived.

Investigators refused to discuss the warrant, which was sealed ''primarily to preserve the integrity of the investigation. We don't want to risk anything at this point,'' Darnell said.

A task force also searched a motel room where Humphrey's grandmother supposedly stayed in August and the woman's Indialantic home, where investigators were looking for hair, fibers, weapons or clothing that might link the suspect to the killings, said Bruce McMann, an agent of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

Investigators also towed Humphrey's black Cadillac to a FDLE crime lab in Jacksonville.

Humphrey was charged Tuesday in a September 1988 sex attack on a young woman in Indian River County. The victim identified him as her attacker after seeing his picture in news reports.

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PERTH AMBOY, N.J. (SEPT. 6) UPI - The Coast Guard said Thursday that nearly 1 million gallons of heavy fuel oil that leaked from a Hess Oil Co. storage tank had been contained and that a small spill into the waterway between New York and New Jersey posed no threat to wildlife.

Petty Officer Jodi Hoffmaster said about 5,000 gallons of the oil spilled into the Arthur Kill and Woodbridge Creek from Hess's Perth Amboy terminal and was being contained by absorbent booms.

Coast Guard officials said the 6 million-gallon tank began collapsing Wednesday afternoon, tearing piping and shattering a valve, allowing the thick oil to bypass the main containment area.

Hoffmaster said that nearly 100 Coast Guard members and cleanup contractors were on the scene cleaning up the oil and that more than 10,000 feet of containment booms were deployed to keep the oil from spreading.

The collapse left the top of the huge tank rippled and warped.

Hess said the cause of the accident was under investigation and theorized that pilings supporting the tank may have given way. Company representatives said that no problems were found when the tank was last inspected in February 1989 and that there was no way to inspect the pilings in the ground beneath the tank.

Hess spokesman Carl Tursi said most of the oil that leaked from the tank was contained by earthen dikes built by cleanup workers.

The Coast Guard said about half of the oil left in the tank had been transferred to other tanks and two barges by Thursday morning.

Clean Ventures and Clean Harbor Co-op, the commercial contractors on the scene, were working to clean up the oil with skimmers, vaccuum trucks and absorbent booms.

The Arthur Kill - the busy shipping channel between New York and New Jersey into which some of the oil escaped - was not closed to maritime traffic, and Coast Guard flights over the spill site spotted only a light sheen of oil beyond the containment booms.

New York Harbor, which includes the Arthur Kill, has been the site of a number of spills this year, including three ''major'' spills of more than 100,000 gallons.

Gov. Jim Florio said the spill could subject Hess to a $10 million fine under a state law signed July 21, which applies to spills of 100,000 gallons or more.

But it was not yet clear whether the fine would apply in the Hess spill because less than 100,000 gallons actually made it into the water.

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BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (SEPT. 6) UPI - Believe it or not, snow blowers are a hearty seller among Saudi Arabians looking to clear sandy driveways.

But finding a new use for a current product is the exception and not the rule for small to medium-sized firms looking to expand on a global scale, according to John D. Daniels, Indiana University professor of international business.

Instead, Daniels said companies setting their sights abroad should focus on marketing products with quality or a unique nature.

''U.S. companies have traditionally competed primarily from the standpoint of new and highly differentiated products,'' said Daniels, co-author of the top selling textbook on international business.

''Too much talk is being given to productivity, which is important, and competing on the basis of price,'' he said. ''If we change the name of the game in how we compete and start putting more effort into process technology, as opposed to product technology, then we may lose our traditional competitive advantage.

''We have to compete on a quality difference if we can get quality output, but not on the basis of price. If we try to get into that game we lose, because it's wage rates that make all the difference,'' he said.

Many smaller companies have found they can make a product that is unique and then find a market for it, Daniels said. Price becomes less of a factor as a result.

''If they look at their own products and see that they have some quality or characteristic difference that makes them better than competitors here, then there's a good chance that there's some quality or characteristic to make sales in foreign markets as well,'' the Indiana professor said.

But ''if they look at their ability to compete and it's based on something else, such as low transportation costs, then there's probably a good chance they're not going to be able to export.''

Daniels acknowledged that companies can be hampered by a lack of capital and expertise and offered these suggestions:

- Start with indirect exports such as through export management companies and glean from their expertise. For example, instead of learning export packaging and developing internal capacity, domestic firms can contract with a foreign freight forward to get the job done.

- Find larger U.S. companies that already have contracts abroad, instead of selling directly into foreign markets. By selling their product to a U.S. company with foreign distribution, companies can seek the exposure with less market risk. Daniels said that way, ''you learn more about the market and become better able to handle it yourself.''

- Establish strong ties with foreign firms on our home turf. For example, hundreds of foreign companies have located in the Midwest, many to serve the auto segment. Daniels believes that relationships now can be forged with many of these companies that could pay off as exports later.

- Take advantage of the federal and state agencies that offer assistance to exporters. Look into funding programs they offer that guarantee payments for non-convertibility of foreign currency.

- Consider whether the product needs to be improved or adapted for the new market, which will add expense.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney today disclosed that the United States has more than 100-thousand U-S military personnel in the Persian Gulf region. This is the first time that any Bush administration official has publicly stated the number of U-S troops sent to the Middle East in the last month. Cheney broke the news to the International Institute for

Strategic Studies in Hot Springs, Virginia.

British Prime Minister Thatcher told Parliament today she's considering sending more troops to the Middle East and will use military force if necessary. Opposition Labor Party leader Neil Kinnock says military action should only be taken with the authority of the United Nations. But Thatcher said such a limitation would give a great advantage to Iraq and would imperil British forces.

Secretary of State Baker is in Saudi Arabia, where administration officials say he will discuss the Persian Gulf crisis with Arab leaders. Baker is to meet with Saudi King Fahd before conferring with Kuwait's exiled emir tomorrow. Baker also is scheduled to see Egyptian President Mubarak before heading to Helsinki for Sunday's super power mini-summit.

Federal officials warned today that health workers pricking fingers for blood screenings may be spreading hepatitis-B. The Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta says most health workers replace the lancets on finger-pricking devices after each blood test... but should also replace the platform that comes in contact with a patient.

Obscenity charges remain in place against Cincinnati's Contemporary Arts Center for displaying photographs by the late artist Robert Mapplethorpe. A Cincinnati judge today rejected a defense maneuver to drop obscenity and child pornography charges against the center and its director. In question are seven photographs culled from a 175-picture exhibit.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

San Francisco - Activated pitcher Trevor Wilson.

Seattle - Announced pitchers Brian Holman and Gene Harris will miss rest of seaon with injuries.

St. Louis - Activated pitcher Bryn Smith.

BASKETBALL

Denver - Fired head coach Doug Moe.

Phoenix - Signed free agent swingman Ian Lockhart to a 1-year contract.

COLLEGE

Miami (Ohio) - Named Joby Wright head basketball coach.

FOOTBALL

Cincinnati - Waived cornerback Richard Carey; re-signed wide receiver Mike Barber; activated cornerback Lewis Billups; placed wide receiver Reggie Rembert on injured reserve.

Dallas - Re-signed wide receiver Derrick Sherrard; placed cornerback Kenneth Gant on injured reserve.

Detroit - Signed defensive end Eric Williams.

Houston - Placed defensive back Dee Thomas on injured reserve; re- signed quarterback Don McPherson.

HOCKEY

Boston - Signed center Wes Walz to 4-year contract.

Chicago - Hired Vladislav Tretiak as goaltending coach-scout; signed right winger Wayne Presley.

Edmonton - Reached agreement with Kansas City of International Hockey League on working relationship for 1990-1991 season.

Los Angeles Kings - Traded left wing Craig Duncanson to the Minnesota North Stars for goaltender Daniel Berthiaume.

Minnesota - Traded left winger Dave MacKey to Vancouver for future considerations; traded goaltender Daniel Berthiaume to Los Angeles for left winger Craig Duncanson; traded Duncanson to Winnipeg for center Brian Hunt.

Montreal - Signed defenseman Jean-Jacques Daigneault and center Charles Poulin.

New Jersey - Traded forward Bob Brooke to Winnipeg for center Laurie Boschman.

NY Rangers - Signed right winger Chris Cichocki.

SOCCER

Dallas - Signed forward Tatu to 1-year contract.

Olympique de Marseille (France) - Signed Franz Beckenbauer to 2- year

contract as general technical director.

U.S. Soccer Federation - Announced midfielder-defender Paul Caligiuri signed with FC Hansa Rostock (East Germany).

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - President Bush says the U-S objective in the Persian Gulf remains UNchanged. Speaking at a G-O-P fundraiser in Topeka, Kansas, Bush said the deployment of American forces to the region may NOT be easy, but he said the military presence... in his words... ''will always be right.'' Bush pledged to do whatever is necessary to promote the cause of peace in the Middle East and deter Iraq from more aggression.

Aid agencies say food, medicine, and other supplies are arriving in Jordan to help thousands of refugees from Iraq and Kuwait. Jordan says it is strained by 120-thousand refugees... almost all of them Asians. The World Food Program reports that 50 tons of rice from its stocks in Bangladesh will arrive in Jordan tonight. But thousands more refugees reportedly arrived today.

The U-N Security Council today urged U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar NOT to give up on his efforts to end the Middle East crisis. Though Perez de Cuellar expressed disappointment at his talks with Iraq's foreign ministers during the weekend... the council asked him to continue diplomatic efforts. The British ambassador said ''NObody'' believes diplomacy has failed.

Police outside of Johannesburgh say five peple were killed this evening when two UNidentified gunmen opened fire at a railway depot. The fatalities and all 14 people injured in the gunfire were black, as were the UNidentified assailants. Authorities were UNclear if the shooting was related to a month of raging hostilities between African national Congress supporters and the predominatly Zulu Inkatha movement.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 6) UPI - Dallas Mavericks star forward Roy Tarpley pleaded guilty Thursday to drunk driving and was ordered to serve two years probation, provide 100 hours community service and pay a $1,000 fine, lawyers and court officials said.

Prosecutors agreed to drop a resisting arrest charge against Tarpley stemming from his arrest last Nov. 15 on a North Dallas freeway. Tarpley, 25, agreed to drop his liability claim aganist the City of Dallas involving a broken nose and other minor injuries he said were inflicted at

the hands of the arresting officers.

''Roy Tarpley is really pleased by these developments and wants to concentrate on trying to win an NBA championship for the city of Dallas,'' said Jay Ethington, Tarpley's lawyer. ''He is pleased with the ''rpley's lawyer. ''He

Tarpley's injuries, allegedly suffered while being held in a choke hold with a police nightstick, ''were pretty traumatic for a 7-footer,'' Ethington said.

Tarpley's trial on the DWI and resisting arrest charges was scheduled to start Monday before Dallas County Criminal Court Judge Mike Schwille.

Mavericks officials said Tarpley's probation will have no effect on his status with the team since he was suspended for 33 games after his arrest for violating the terms of his drug aftercare program. It was the third time Tarpley had been suspended for drug and alcohol use.

Tarpley has two strikes under the NBA's drug policy. One more positive test for cocaine would result in a minimum two-year ban from the league. But Tarpley has tested negative for drugs and alcohol since the Nov. 15 arrest.

Results of a blood test taken by Dallas police after Tarpley was arrested placed his alcohol level at .12, just past the legal limit of .10.

Tarpley's probation requires him to submit to monthly drug tests, seek alcohol and drug treatment, attend Alcoholics/Narcotics Anonymous meetings three times a week until the court notifies him otherwise and attend a Mothers Against Drunk Driving ''victim-impact'' panel.

Schwille told Tarpley that if he fails to meet the terms of his probation, he would be sent to jail for one year.

''For a first-time offense, that was a pretty good sentence really,'' said Patty Wade, victim services assistant for the Dallas County MADD chapter.

Driving while intoxicated is a Class B misdemeanor punishable by up to two years in jail and a $2,000 fine. Schwille said Tarpley received a slightly stiffer punishment than the usual $500 fine, two years' probation and 30 to 90 days in jail if probation is violated.

The 7-foot Tarpley, who averaged 16.8 points and 13.1 rebounds per game in 45 games last season, was unavailable for comment Thursday. The Mavericks begin training camp Oct. 5.

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#90249u2463 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Yes, Bo knows. And so does Boris.

Boris Becker knows when his opponent looks across the net, tennis is not the only matter at hand. There is psychological warfare to be waged, and at that endeavor the 22-year-old West German has no peer.

Becker knows this all too well. And so does Aaron Krickstein, bounced from the U.S. Open quarterfinals Thursday courtesy of a commanding comeback, a 3-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3 decision that moved Becker one step closer to another title.

After dropping the first set, Becker found himself down a break in the second. No matter, Becker said. He has been in tighter spots. This, after all, is a three-time Wimbledon chalpeon and defending Open champion. He knows.

When there are tough points to be had, Becker summons the troops. Unfailingly, they respond, which does little for his opponent's peace of mind.

''That is a very important part of tennis,'' Becker said. ''Mental.''

Krickstein fell to Becker in the semifinals of last year's Open. In all, he had played Becker four times entering Thursday, and lost all four. In fact, he hadn't even managed to take a set.

This was not lost on Krickstein. After the match he looked tired and beaten, talking of lost chances, missed groundstrokes and big points that got away. He said there is probably no one playing tennis anywhere who can measure up to Becker when a critical point is to be won on center court.

''He was giving me every opportunity to take control of the match, but I didn't take advantage of it,'' Krickstein said. ''I lost confidence. You know he's tough on big points. He's a big-point player and you have to take advantage of the opportunities.''

For a while, Krickstein was moving around the court as if he were the defending champ. He put his signature on the first set with a finishing ace, then opened the next set with a break, urging a long ball by Becker past the baseline. He held to go up 2-0, and suddenly the afternoon got interesting. If Stefan Edberg and Ivan Lendl could be sent home, why not Becker?

But then Becker stirred, roaring to life with five straight games. He began pushing Krickstein around the court, coming to the net, passing him down the side.

''Even when I lost a set and was down a break I was not out of the match '' Becker said. ''I kept my mind. The other guys know that. It's a best-of-five match and goes over a couple of hours, you lose the first set you're not out of it.''

Becker moved ahead 5-1 in the third set, having taken 11 of 13 games. In the sixth game of the set, he rocketed an ace to go up 30-15 and blew on his hand. It might as well have been a smoking pistol.

''I just lost my rhythm in the middle of the match,'' Krickstein said. ''I'm not sure why I didn't hit the ball better.''

Krickstein was not without fight at the end. He held to open the fourth set, then broke. It seemed like much of the afternoon had gone between service breaks for Krickstein. He followed by holding at love to lead 3-0, only now there were big points to be had and Becker was more than ready.

He ran off six games in a row, not allowing the Michigan player more than two points in any of the games. This was Becker's court now, and he was calling the shots.

''At the end, he had no energy anymore,'' Becker said. ''His legs were tired. I ran him around too much.''

Said Krickstein: ''I thought I would have had a good chance if I won the fourth set.''

Krickstein is a strong five-set player, but Becker was not about to let him get that far. Krickstein must now wait for Becker somewhere else down the line. Becker goes on to the semifinals Saturday against Andre Agassi, who defeated Andrei Cherkasov in straight sets.

Becker says he can match Agassi, he of the dangling earring and lime green shorts, stroke for stroke.

Can he match his wardrobe?

''It doesn't fit me,'' Becker said.

Colors or size?

''Both,'' Becker said.

Boris definitely knows.

#90249u2538 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 6) UPI - The White House says President Bush has accepted an offer to deliver a broadcast on Iraqi television... calling it ''a real opportunity'' to get his message to the people of Iraq. The invitation came today from Iraq's information minister. Since Iraq's August 2nd invasion of Kuwait, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has made regular appearances on American television networks.

The State Department says the United States plans to begin airlifting out some of the 26-hundred Americans trapped in Kuwait tomorrow. A spokesman says just one flight is currently planned. But that flight aboard a U-S-chartered Iraqi Airways jet marks the first U-S agreement with Iraq to evacuate general U-S citizens from Kuwait or Iraq. It is NOT clear whether men would be allowed to join women and children in leaving.

NASA officials say today's scheduled launch of the shuttle Columbia was delayed by what appears to be faulty fuel pumps in the spaceplane's engine compartment. The space agency plans to replace the pumps... clearing the way for a tentative liftoff the week of September 16th. Columbia has a limited time frame in which to take off because the shuttle Discovery's October 5th launch date is now NASA's top priority.

Some teacher strikes ended today in California, Michigan and Illinois. But 56-hundred other educators remain on picket lines, affecting more than 93-thousand students nationwide. One-third of those students are in five Michigan school districts. A spokesman for the Michigan Education Association says salaries and benefits are the divisive issues... and may take some time to settle.

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#90249u2548 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 6) UPI - Authorities in Chicago suspect that a mob-style assassination attempt or a personal vendetta might be behind today's car-bombing that injured a Teamsters official. Witnesses say Lucien Senese was on fire and tore off his clothes as he ran from the car after the blast. A hospital official says Senese was admitted, but would NOT release his condition. Senese is to succeed his father as president of Teamsters Local 703.

The federal government today filed charges against A-B-C television and the College Football Association for allegedly violating anti-trust laws. The Federal Trade Commission says the four-year broadcast pact between A-B-C and the 63-member C-F-A denies viewers' choices and restricts competition. The A-B-C-C-F-A agreement could be rescinded if the F-T-C rules that antitrust laws have been broken.

U-S Attorney General Thornburgh says the most effective method of fighting

the international drug trade is to block drug traffickers from using ill-gotten cash. Speaking to reporters in Tokyo, Thornburgh called on the Japanese government to enact legislation aimed at preventing the laundering of drug money at Japanese banks. Currently, Japan does NOT require banks to reveal the identity of clients or to give detailed transaction records.

Three family-owned athletic goods stores in New Haven, Connecticut, filed for bankruptcy today after their owner turned away potential customers he thought sold drugs. Walter Grigo, the head of Body and Soul stores, says he is fed up with how the shoe industry has- in his words- ''consciously gone after that drug money.'' Grigo estimated losing some two-thousand dollars a week by refusing to serve cash-flashing youths he suspected of dealing drugs.

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(SEPT. 6) UPI - President Bush says he accepts an offer from the government of Baghdad to address the people of Iraq on television. Bush calls it ''a real opportunity'' to explain the stern U-S response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last month.

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White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the broadcast message will be translated by the State Department and likely be delivered to Iraqi officials the middle of next week. He brushed aside concerns that Iraq would censor Bush's mdsage... saying the tape will be made ''available to the rest of the world.''

The State Department says tomorrow's planned airlift of some of the Americans trapped in Kuwait marks the first agreement between the United States and Iraq to permit the evacuation of U-S citizens... other than diplomatic personnel and their families.

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Iraq confirmed today that its troops shot and wounded an American man in Kuwait. The shooting appears to be the first of an American during the Persian Gulf conflict. Iraqi officials say the man will be transferred tomorrow to Baghdad, where U-S officials will be allowed to see him.

Authorities in South Africa are NOT sure whether tonight's shooting at a Johannesburg railway station is linked to the month-long wave of violence that has swept nearby black townships. Five people were killed and 14 more wounded when two gunmen opened fire on a crowded platform.

NASA says it will try again around September 17th to launch the shuttle Columbia, which was grounded yesterday when yet another hydrogen gas leak was detected during fueling. Engineers will spend the weekend replacing fuel pumps where the leak is thought to have occurred.

A teen-ager described as ''well-mannered'' is in jail after marching into a junior high school in Cumming, Georgia, this morning and taking a classroom of students hostage. The stand-off ended about five hours later when a hostage grabbed the gun from the teen and forced him to surrender. NO one was hurt.

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#90249u2790 09/06/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 6) UPI - The Coast Guard says nearly one-Million gallons of heavy fuel oil that leaked from a storage tank in Perth Amboy, New Jersey, has been contained. Officials say a little oil spilled into the Arthur Kill... the busy waterway between New York and New Jersey... but poses NO threat to wildlife.

The Soviet news agency Tass says the crew of nuclear-powered ice- breaking ships that keep the Arctic sea routes open staged a brief strike today. Tass says the sailors quickly won their demands for hard currency payments and other benefits.

Pennsylvania has notified the federal courts that it is appealing last month's federal judge's ruling striking down major provisions of the state's abortion law. The case involving the most restrictive state abortion law in the country is expected to go all the way to the Supreme Court.

Los Angeles police say the daughter of L-S-D guru Timothy Leary died last night... two days after hanging herself with a shoelace. 42- year-old Susan Martino, also known as Susan Leary, had been sentenced to a psychiatric hospital for allegedly trying to kill her boyfriend last year.

The brother of a 22-year-old Utah man slain Sunday during a New York subway mugging challenged city officials today to ''get in touch with the people'' to prevent another such killing. New York Police Commissioner Lee Brown called the challenge ''appropriate.'' Eight gang members have been charged with murder.

A spokeswoman for first lady Barbara Bush says presidential dog Millie is being treated for lupus, a degenerative disease, but is in ''complete remission.'' The English springer spaniel has been ailing all summer.

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#90249u2927 09/06/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 6) UPI - A possible upset in today's provincial elections in Ontario, Canada. UNofficial returns show the socialist New Democratic Party headed for victory over the ruling Liberal government... winning or leading in a majority of the province's 130 districts. It would mark the first time the left-wing N-D-P has held power in Canada's richest province.

State Department officials say Saudi Arabia has agreed to foot part of the bill for the U-S military operation in the Persian Gulf. They say the plan was agreed upon during a late night meeting between Saudi King Fahd and Secretary of State Baker, who arrived in the desert kingdom earlier today. Jeddah is the first stop on Baker's three-nation Middle East tour. He will re-unite with President Bush this weekend in Helsinki, Finland, for the summit with Soviet President Gorbachev .

Another bipartisan budget summit is scheduled to get under way tomorrow morning at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington. But on the eve of the gathering, Democratic leaders say they have NOT yet come up with a formula to cut the deficit. They did, however, re-affirm their commitment to a package that would lower the federal deficit 50-BILLION dollars in fiscal 1991, and 500-BILLION dollars the next five years.

A 55-year-old suburban Chicago woman who ate poisonous mushrooms was in critical but stable condition after undergoing an emergency liver transplant today. A University of Chicago Hospital spokesman says Roberta Rigali suffered complete liver failure after eating mushrooms she and her husband picked on vacation in Michigan last week. The husband also ate the mushrooms and became ill, but recovered.

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#90250b0015 09/07/1990 ~Business Wire
LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE)--Eagle Entertainment Inc. (NASDAQ:EEGL) announced Friday that it has entered into acquisition agreements with Tyndall Motor Co. Inc. (Tyndall) and Family Finance Corp. (Family) pursuant to which Eagle has agreed to acquire all of the outstanding stock of Tyndall and Family in exchange for 7.9 million shares of new Eagle Series A convertible preferred stock and 600,000 shares of new Eagle Series B convertible preferred stock.

Eagle has also entered into a share exchange agreement with Eagle president Lawrence M. Vanger and International Advisory Services, S.A. pursuant to which Eagle has agreed to transfer to them all of its interest in Performance Guarantees Inc. in exchange for an aggregate of 1,956,299 shares of Eagle common stock, which will be canceled by Eagle.

The acquisition agreements and share exchange agreement are scheduled to close on Sept. 14, 1990, subject to approval of certain matters by Eagle's

board of directors.

Tyndall and Family together operate ''we finance'' used car retail lots in the Phoenix, Ariz. area selling quality used passenger cars and trucks and typically financing customers' purchases. Tyndall and Family have been in business since 1985 and 1988, respectively, and had combined annual revenues of $5,916,323 for their fiscal years ended June 30, 1990.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Eagle at 213/478-3355.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Hoping to provide users with local support through major dealers as an alternative to mail-order buying of personal computers, Cumulus Corp. Friday announced the GLC/CO desktop PC.

A small-footprint, full-featured 386SX system, it is complete with required system software for a price tag usually found only on slower 286 models or basic 386SX machines.

The GLC/CO systems, which list from $1,195 to $1,895 depending on whether they are configured with monochrome or color monitors and floppy or hard-disk drives, are being sold with Microsoft's DOS 4.01, Windows 3.0 and Works.

All Cumulus PCs are backed by the company's one-year parts-and-labor warranty and popular 24-hour parts-replacement program through its nationwide network of authorized dealers.

Other standard features of the GLC/CO include a 16 or 20MHz 80386SX processor, 1MB of RAM (expandable to 4MB on the processor board), a 3.5-inch 1.44MB floppy disk, tactile 101-key keyboard, high-performance 16-bit VGA graphics adapter, monitor and dual-button mouse.

The 16-bit Industry Standard Architecture (ISA) bus offers four available expansion slots - two 16-bit full length and two half length (one 16-bit and one 8-bit).

The GLC/CO design incorporates a passive-backplane architecture providing the ability to easily upgrade the system to more sophisticated processors. The GLC/CO can be upgraded to a full 80386DX or 80486 processor.

All systems come complete with a drive controller capable of handling up to two IDE hard-disk drives and two floppy drives. Depending on the configuration, the GLC/CO also comes with a quality 3.5-inch 40MB hard-disk drive with an access time of 25ms.

The system unit has an additional drive bay for the user who wants to add an additional floppy or hard-disk drive in either 3.5-inch or 5.25-inch formats. Also standard are two serial ports (one serial port is used by the mouse), a parallel port and 256KB of video memory.

Options include direct mapped memory cache accelerator cards in 16KB and 64KB configurations, 100MB (25ms) and 200MB (17ms) hard-disk drives, 80387SX math co-processors and 360KB/1.2MB 5.25-inch floppy disk drives and 720KB/1.44MB 3.5-inch floppy disk drives (internal or external).

The company also is offering to end users, through its dealers, a rebate program to minimize the cost of upgrading. The program is designed to maximize the user's continued investment by minimizing the cost of upgrading and eliminating obsolescence.

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SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Mining Services International Inc. (NASDAQ:MSIX), announced Friday that product shipments from CYANCO's newly constructed, $11.5 million liquid sodium cyanide plant near Winnemucca, Nev. have begun.

CYANCO is 66.7 percent owned by MSI and 33.3 percent owned by Alta Gold through their respective subsidiaries. CYANCO owns and operates the plant which has a capacity of producing 28 million pounds of sodium cyanide per year.

''CYANCO is the first facility in the United States designed to produce liquid sodium cyanide for delivery directly into a mine's holding tank,'' said Dr. Lex L. Udy, president of MSI.

''CYANCO had previously signed about $11 million in contracts and purchase orders for delivery of sodium cyanide to more than a dozen Nevada mines, bringing the plant to 50 percent of annual capacity,'' said Udy. He noted that the new plant could produce about 20 percent of the sodium cyanide required by mines in the western United States.

With various delays in regulatory procedures which caused the plant to

begin shipments a few months later than anticipated, and due to previously reported losses incurred in sales of dry sodium cyanide by the softening of sodium cyanide prices, MSI expects its earnings projections for 1990 to be in the range of break-even to $200,000. It is anticipated that revenues will still reach the projected $19 million to $22 million range.

Mining Services International Inc., is a leading developer of explosives technology and a supplier of high-quality explosives to the mining industry. The company markets its products and technology in five of the major mining countries worldwide. The company is also involved in the production of liquid sodium cyanide with its newly constructed plant outside Winnemucca, Nev.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Naxos Resources is pleased to announce that it has negotiated, subject to regulatory approval, the further acquisition of an additional 140 units of mineral claims totalling approximately 8,380 acres.

These claims adjoin the company's existing mineral claims at Shumway Lake, and bring Naxo's interest in this area to approximately 17,000 acres. More particularly, the acquisitions are as follows:

J & J Mineral Claims

Jimmy John and Harold Jones have agreed to vend in the J & J 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 and the Phoenix 11 and 12 mineral claims under the same terms and conditions as the J & J 1, 2, 3, 4 and other claims vended into the company and announced on April 28, 1989. The consideration is 10,000 shares being compensation for out-of-pocket expenses to John and Jones in completing assessment work on the property.

Nord and D.D. 1 Mineral Claims

These claims are subject to an option agreement with David Decker and Oscar Nordin. John and Jones, the Optionee, has agreed to vend in their interest in these claims to Naxos Resources Ltd. These claims adjoin the company's Shumway Property to the south and consist of a total of 18 units.

Total consideration of this transaction is 12,000 shares representing

monies previously advanced by John and Jones to Oscar Nordin and David Decker pursuant to the option agreement and work done on the Claims.

The company is please to report that it has recently completed five percussion drill holes each to a depth of 200 feet on the Shumway Property. Dated at Vancouver the Sept. 7, 1990. On behalf of the board Naxos Resources Ltd. per Jimmy John, president

The Alberta Stock Exchange has neither approved nor disapproved of the information contained in this release.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - BankAmerica Corp. announced Friday that it filed a shelf registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering senior and subordinated debt (including subordinated capital notes), preferred stock and warrants to purchase debt and preferrred stock with an aggregate initial offering price of up to $2 billion.

The registration also covers currency warrants. Particular securities covered by the shelf registration will be offered from time to time after the registration statement becomes effective in specific offerings described in prospectus supplements. The prospectus supplements will set forth the specific terms of the securities then offered. BankAmerica Corp. headquartered in San Francisco, is a bank holding company whose principal asset is Bank of America NT&SA.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Genentech Inc. and Roche Holding Ltd. announced that their merger transaction was completed Friday.

As a result of the $2.1 billion transaction, Roche now owns 60 percent of the equity of Genentech.

In the transaction, Genentech stockholders will receive, for each two shares they own, $36 cash and one share of new redeemable common stock. The new redeemable common stock has been approved for listing on the New York Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange.

Both exchanges have informed Genentech that its old common stock will continue to trade until the close of trading today. The new redeemable common stock is expected to begin trading on Monday morning, Sept. 10, under the current Genentech trading symbol, GNE.

In addition to acquiring 50 percent of the currently outstanding common stock, Roche acquired an additional 10 percent equity interest in return for a direct investment of approximately $490 million in Genentech, bringing its equity position to 60 percent.

During the next five years, Roche has the right to redeem all the outstanding 43 million shares of redeemable common stock, or 40 percent, at escalating prices ranging from $38 per share for the remainder of this year to $60 per share in 1995. Roche has a right to purchase additional shares on the open market at any time to raise its equity holding to up to 75 percent.

The transaction was announced Feb. 2, approved by 97 percent of Genentech's voting stockholders on June 8, and both companies entered into a consent decree with the Federal Trade Commission on Aug. 31.

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DENVER (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - CREDO Petroleum Corp. reported Friday that for the third quarter ended July 31, 1990, net income increased 53 percent to $191,000, or 6 cents per share, on revenues of $443,000, compared with net income of $125,000, or 4 cents per share, on revenues of $445,000 last year.

For the nine months ended July 31, 1990, net income increased 27 percent to $463,000, or 13 cents per share, on revenues of $1,403,000, compared with net income of $365,000, or 11 cents per share, on revenues of $1,230,000 last year. Cash flow from operations increased 17 percent to $808,000 for the nine months ended July 31, 1990 compared to $693,000 for the same period last year.

James T. Huffman, president, said that 1990's results reflect the fourth consecutive year of substantial earnings increases. Nine months' results were favorably impacted by both increased product prices and increased production rates. Since 75 percent of the company's reserves are natural gas, we expect improving gas markets to continue to have a positive effect on the company, Huffman said.

Production volumes reached record levels in the first nine months of 1990. Gas sales volumes increased 7 percent to 247 million cubic feet compared to 230 million cubic feet last year. Oil sales volumes increased 3 percent to 29,000 barrels compared to 28,000 barrels last year.

Gas prices received by the company increased 7 percent to $1.50 per thousand cubic feet compared to $1.40 last year. Oil prices increased 7 percent to $17.73 per barrel compared to $16.57 last year. ''Iraq's invasion of Kuwait occurred after third quarter end and, thus, did not effect oil prices received during the periods,'' Huffman said.

At third quarter-end, total assets were $9,426,000. Working capital totaled $3,371,000 and shareholders' equity was $8,433,000.

During the third quarter the company increased its estimate of proved oil reserves by 78,000 barrels, or 26 percent, from 301,000 barrels to 379,000 barrels. ''The increase is based on results of a recent independent engineering study on the company's interest in a Yates Sand waterflood property located in the Halley-Emperor Field complex in West Texas,'' Huffman said.

Development of the deeper Queen Sand is also continuing on the property and is expected to result in further additions of proved reserves.

The company also said that it will provide a reserve against investment loss during its fourth fiscal quarter of 1990. ''The impact on 1990 earnings cannot presently be determined but is not expected to exceed $280,000,'' Huffman said.

The company's total portfolio of investments in near cash instruments, marketable securites and undeveloped oil and gas leases is approximately $4 million. ''Although the reserve will reduce 1990 earnings, it will not have any material effect on cash flow from operations or future operating results,'' Huffman said.

CREDO Petroleum Corp. is a publicly traded, independent oil and gas company based in Denver. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ System under the symbol CRED and is quoted daily in the ''NASD Bid & Asked Quotations'' section of ''The Wall Street Journal.''

CREDO Petroleum Corp.
Financial Highlights
Condensed Operating Information (Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended		Quarter Ended	
	7/31/90	7/31/89	7/31/90	7/31/89
Revenues:				
Oil and gas sales	$888,000	$786,000	$264,000	$285,000

Operating	235,000	240,000	79,000	81,000
Interest	280,000	204,000	100,000	79,000
	1,403,000	1,230,000	443,000	445,000
Costs and expenses:				
General and administrative	352,000	359,000	115,000	135,000
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	335,000	313,000	100,000	113,000
Oil and gas production	232,000	193,000	64,000	72,000
Interest	1,000	--	1,000	--
	920,000	865,000	280,000	320,000
Incomee before income taxes	483,000	365,000	163,000	125,000
Current income tax provision	(24,000)	--	(24,000)	--
Deferred income tax benefit	4,000	--	52,000	--
Net income	463,000	365,000	191,000	125,000
Earnings per share	.13	.11	.06	.04
Weighted average common shares outstanding during the period	3,459,000	3,459,000	3,459,000	3,459,000

Condensed Balance Sheet Information

	Third Quarter End 7/31/90 Unaudited	Fiscal Year End 10/31/89 Audited
Cash and temporary cash investments	$3,395,000	$3,503,000
Other current assets	611,000	545,000
Oil and gas properties, net	5,363,000	4,946,000
Other assets	57,000	63,000
	9,426,000	9,057,000
Current liabilities	635,000	720,000
Deferred income taxes	358,000	362,000
Stockholders' equity	8,433,000	7,975,000
	9,426,000	9,057,000

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PALO ALTO, CALIF. (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - One year after the initial introduction of its PathWay product offering, The Wollongong Group Inc. returns to NetWorld with a significantly expanded family of open systems, desktop-connectivity software.

Among the client/server products to be showcased are PathWay Client NFS

for DOS, PathWay Server for UNIX Systems, with new support for a multitude of operating platforms, PathWay Client Plus (compatible with LAN Manager/UNIX), PathWay Server for DOS, PathWay Server for VMS and all PathWay products for the Macintosh.

Wollongong will formally announce its new PathWay Client NFS for DOS during the show. PathWay Client NFS for DOS provides users with increased disk capacity and distributed file sharing capabilities in multivendor networks. Based on TCP/IP, the product operates with implementations found on such diverse systems as VAX/VMS, UNIX and IBM/VM.

With PathWay Client NFS for DOS, files existing on remote hosts are accessible using standard DOS commands and appear in DOS format on local drives.

Additionally, Wollongong's PathWay Server for UNIX Systems product line has recently been enhanced to include support for numerous operating platforms including Sun 3, 4 and 386i; NCR Tower, series 200 through 800; VAX; DECstation and AT&T models 3B2, 400, 500, 600, 700 and 1000. PathWay Server for UNIX Systems enable UNIX machines to act as file and print servers for other PathWay Cleints.

''Wollongong offers a broader range of UNIX servers than any other single vendor in the industry,'' commented Herbert J. Martin, president of The Wollongong Group Inc.

The Wollongong Group Inc., a recognized leader in open systems network solutions, specializes in integrating dissimilar computers, operating systems and local area networks. Based on current industry and international standards, including TCP/IP and OSI, Wollongong products encompass four core technologies: protocols, network management, network security and applications services.

Privately held, the company manages East and West Coast facilities, as well as an international distribution channel. Wollongong employs more than 180 people and has headquarters in Palo Alto.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Tektronix/LP Com has signed North Hollywood based O'Halloran Associates to represent Tektronix's

product line of communications test equipment in California and Nevada markets. The move reflects Tektronix's sales strategy of using independent sales representatives to augment its own direct sales force.

O'Halloran has responsibility for sales and service for all of California and Nevada. The company will sell all products marketed by Tektronix/LP Com including protocol analyzers, LAN analyzers, network performance analyzers, TIMS, ISDN, etc. O'Halloran will report directly to the respective regional sales managers at the Tektronix/LP Com office in Mountain View.

Stan Guzik, vice president of Tektronix/LP Com states, "California and Nevada represent significant potential for Tektronix and we felt we needed a representative who is well established, extremely knowledgeable in the area of communications and able to provide a large package of service and support for our customers."

Tektronix/LP Com joins O'Halloran Associates' prestigious list of clients which includes Spectracom, T-Bar Data Switch, and Convex.

O'Halloran Associates was founded in 1952 and has headquarters in North Hollywood. Originally specializing in instrumentation products representatives, O'Halloran Associates has diversified to specialize in markets such as semiconductor and electro optical systems, rf communications systems and data communications systems.

Tektronix/LP Com is a wholly owned subsidiary of Tektronix. The company manufactures and markets integrated multifunction and single-function telecommunications test and analysis equipment.

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HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - TouchStone Software Corp., publishers of CheckIt, the PC industry's leading diagnostic software, Friday announced the release of CheckIt 3.0.

First introduced in November 1988, CheckIt is a software utility program that reports on a PC's exact configuration, runs diagnostic tests and measures performance using standard benchmarks.

CheckIt answers the need among users to quickly define a system's configuration, implement upgrades and troubleshoot problems. It runs on virtually any PC and can be operated with equal ease by people with technical or non-technical backgrounds.

Release 3.0 builds upon the testing and reporting capabilities introduced in CheckIt 2.1. The new features include a memory map which shows how RAM is being used, a virus-detection utility, DOS 4.0/486 support, improved RAM error dialog, benchmark comparisons, customizable tools menu, test summary report and floppy mechanics tests.

According to C. Shannon Jenkins, president of TouchStone Software: ''We've been listening to our customers. There are now over 50,000 licensed CheckIt users and the new version of CheckIt provides capabilities they requested -- particularly the memory map, virus checker and the floppy alignment tests.

''The simplified RAM error dialog and customizable tools menu also provide additional flexibility.''

The new memory map displays the first megabyte of address space, software interrupts, memory usage and unused address space. This facility helps hidden memory conflicts and TSR conflicts to be eliminated upon identification.

The RAM error dialog has been expanded to include a simple and advanced dialog for identifying the exact location of a bad chip, memory bank or problem RAM board without requiring users to have extensive memory knowledge.

The floppy mechanics tests feature a series of tests which determine whether the floppy drive alignment and mechanical functions operate within standard ANSI tolerances.

A customizable tools menu has been added, which allows DOS programs to be included and executed from within the tools menu as if they were part of CheckIt.

The new virus-detection utility includes a copy of McAfee Associates virus checker. This utility is capable of identifying over 200 different kinds of virus infections and can be run from the DOS command line or from the tools menu.

The benchmark comparisons graphic displays have been greatly improved. The benchmark comparison measures the PC's performance against the speeds of a standard PC-XT. The results can be saved or automatically compared with another system.

The test summary report has been included to provide a one-page report of the major system components and the pass/fail results of the diagnostic tests, which verify the PC's integrity.

The retail price of CheckIt 3.0 is $149. Current users of Release 2.1 can upgrade to Release 3.0 for $25.

CheckIt 3.0 will be available in French and German translations in October. TouchStone Software's commitment to international markets has accelerated as a result of its recent agreements with leading distributors and co-publishers in Europe, Canada and Australia.

TouchStone Software designs, develops and markets PC utility programs which assist in troubleshooting hardware and software components of IBM-compatible personal computers and which provide communication and compatibility between different types of computer systems.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The White House Friday announced that William T. Esrey, chairman and chief executive officer of United Telecommunications Inc., has been selected to participate in a Presidential Business Development Trade Mission to the Soviet Union, Sept. 9 - 14.

The mission to the Soviet Union, led by Secretary of Commerce, Robert A. Mosbacher and Secretary of State James A. Baker, will include meetings with President George Bush in Helsinki, Finland, with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Russian Republic President Boris Yeltsin in Moscow, and with Soviet economic reform leaders in Leningrad.

Esrey and 14 other American chief executives will explore business opportunities in the USSR resulting from recent economic reforms Topics include telecommunications, energy, housing, transport and distribution, and food processing, among others.

''Our participation in the President's mission emphasizes to American business that potential trade and investment opportunities in the USSR deserve attention,'' Esrey said.

''We also want to demonstrate to the Soviets that American interest in the USSR market is real. I commend the Bush administration on its efforts to spur economic growth abroad, and pledge the support of United Telecom companies in those efforts.''

Earlier in 1990, United Telecommunications' long-distance subsidiary, US Sprint, demonstrated commitment to the Soviet market by announcing formation of a joint venture to install the first data communications

switching center in Moscow. The center, scheduled to open in the fourth quarter of 1990, will provide vital data communications services such as facsimile, electronic mail, and database access to businesses, government agencies and other organizations operating in Moscow.

US Sprint also announced the first international videoconferencing service in the Soviet Union, linking Moscow with more than 700 locations worldwide.

''US Sprint's investment in Soviet telecommunications makes it possible for other companies to follow us into this high-potential market,'' Esrey said. ''Many of the telecommunications services considered essential to running a business have until now been unavailable in the USSR. Soon it will be as easy to send a fax to Moscow as it is to send one to New York.''

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City, Mo.

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MILWAUKEE (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Johnson Controls Inc. (NYSE:JCI) announced Friday that it has retained the investment banking firm of Salomon Brothers to advise it of alternatives to retaining whole ownership of the company's Battery Group.

Johnson Controls said that its board of directors has approved the exploration of options to determine which would be of most benefit to Johnson Controls' shareholders. The options to be considered include retaining the business, the formation of strategic partnerships to better position the Battery Group in the global market, as well as the whole or partial sale of the business.

The Battery Group of Johnson Controls is the largest manufacturer of automotive batteries in the United States with 1989 sales of $659 million. It is headquartered in Milwaukee and operates 17 manufacturing plants located in Bennington, Vt.; Dallas; Florence, Ky.; Fullerton, Calif.; Geneva, Ill.; Louisville, Ky.; Middletown, Del.; Milwaukee; Oconee, S.C.; Owosso, Mich.; Portland, Ore.; St. Joseph, Mo.; St. Thomas, Ont.; Tampa, Fla.; Texarkana, Ark.; Toledo, Ohio; and, Winston-Salem, N.C.

Johnson Controls is a market leader in the supply of facility management systems and services to the nonresidential buildings market, automotive seating, automotive batteries and plastic containers. Consolidated sales for 1989 totalled $3.7 billion.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Celerex Corp. Friday announced the appointment of Loren L. Lyon as president, chief operating officer and member of the board of directors of the company.

Lyon assumes the position from Thomas A. Marinkovich who had been acting president since July 25, 1990, when Jose V. Porto, the company's former president, took a medical leave of absence. Marinkovich will continue in his position as co-chairman of the board of directors.

Marinkovich stated that this move is a result of Porto's illness being such that he will continue to be on medical leave for an extended period of time and the board believes it is vital to have a more permanent management team in place.

Lyon joined Celerex in March 1989 as vice president of manufacturing, and since that time has assumed responsibility for customer service, field service, merchant services, production software and operations. Lyon has assisted Marinkovich in the day-to-day company operations since Porto's illness.

Lyon's background includes management experience in sales, service, operations and manufacturing. Prior to joining Celerex, Lyon was director of operations at Applied Microsystems. Lyon has over 15 years of management experience with other Northwest high tech companies including Data I/O, Eldec Corp. and Kistler-Morse.

Celerex is in the electronic payment systems business, specializing in credit card authorization, electronic draft capture and check verification. Celerex stock is traded through NASDAQ under the symbol CEXY.

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COLUMBUS, OH (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Rax Restaurants Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:RAXR), a chain of more than 450 fast food stores, Friday announced a 25 percent corporate staff reduction and realignment in a corporate restructuring and streamlining initiative.

''Critical objectives of our strategic plan to build long-term profitability are to increae efficiency, reduce operating expenses and build sales,'' said Ira A. Hermann, president and chief executive officer.

''After assessing the structure of our internal operations and softened sales impacting the industry, we decided that this restructuring was essential to achieve our objectives, and we are confident we can do this without compromising service to our franchisees.

''It's important that we deal with our internal expenses at this time since they are such a major component of our costs. Obviously, this will have a beneficial impact on our cash flow and long-term profitability.''

Rax Restaurants Inc. owns, operates, develops and franchises restaurants that feature a variety of specialty sandwiches and other fast foods. Rax has company-owned and franchised stores in 29 U.S. states and in Canada. Incorporated in 1977, the publicly held company is traded over-the-counter on the NASDAQ National Market System under the RAXR symbol.

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FAIRFAX, VA (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The TRW Foundation has awarded a $50,000 grant to the University of New Hampshire to be used to support a multi disciplinary earth science research program at the university's Institute for Earth, Oceans and Space.

John Stenbit, vice president and general manager, TRW Systems Integration Group, presented a check for $50,000 to Dr. David Skole, director of the institute's ''Fronts of Deforestation'' project, at TRW's Earth Observation System Data and Information System (EOSDIS) program office in Greenbelt, Md.

The University of New Hampshire at Durham established the Institute for the Study of Earth, Oceans and Space in 1985. The institute performs studies of the Earth as a system, its interactions with the sun and the environment of deep space.

It is a broadly interdisciplinary institute that brings together a wide range of expertise to gain an integrated understanding of the functions of the Earth and its space environment.

In presenting the check, Stenbit said: ''Understanding our environment and the effects of global change resulting from human activity is one of

the most important challenges for the next century. The research effort at the University of New Hampshire is essential. In addition to the knowledge that it provides, the institute is a training ground for future earth scientists.

''Our sponsorship of this center of excellence is truly an investment in the future.''

In accepting the grant, Skole said: ''We want to make sure that the Earth Observing System Data and Information System (EOSDIS) is done and done well. We welcome this opportunity to have a positive impact upon this vital program. We and TRW have mutual goals and objectives.''

EOSDIS is an essential part of the NASA global change initiative. The Earth Observation System will be made up of polar orbiting space laboratories. It will monitor the entire globe and study changes in the Earth's ecological system, such as fluctuations in the ozone layer, activities along earthquake fault lines, changing global weather conditions and worldwide warming trends contributing to the greenhouse effect.

Tropical deforestation is an important but poorly understood component of global change. Skole's project will attempt to develop a tropical deforestation alarm system. To detect an anomaly in the ''normal'' trend or situation requires a basic understanding of the current situation and the ability to detect changes. The project will use test cases in Brazil and Thailand to prototype the alarm system.

Satellite data will be used to develop a geographic information system-based set of change-detection tools. Skole's project is part of the United Nations' Environment Program Standing Group of Experts on Assessing Tropical Deforestation Using Remote Sensing.

''The University of New Hampshire is a very worthy recipient of our attention and financial resources,'' said Philip N. Papaccio, vice president and program executive for the TRW Space and Defense Sector's Global Change Initiative activities. ''The institute has a solid reputation and is a leading research facility in the effort towards understanding global change.''

The TRW EOSDIS and Customer Data and Operations System (CDOS) programs, managed by David H. Barakat of TRW's System Development Division, are located in Greenbelt, Md., near NASA Goddard. These programs are part of the TRW System Development Division.

The division, located in Redondo Beach, Calif., is a component of TRW Systems Integration Group, an operting unit of TRW Inc.'s California-based Space and Defense Sector. TRW Systems Integration Group has headquarters

in Fairfax County, Va.

The group performs systems engineering services and systems integration and develops and installs strategic and tactical command and control systems, information processing systems and security systems for federal government agencies, industry contractors and international customers.

Cleveland-based TRW is an international company that provides high-technology products and services to the space and defense, automotive and information systems markets. The company's 1989 sales totaled more than $7 billion.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Spectrum Information Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:SPCL) Friday announced it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a proposed underwritten public offering of up to 2.5 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of the common stock of Spectrum, par value $0.001 per share, and one Series A warrant to purchase one share of common stock, subject to adjustment. The offering will be managed by Gene Morgan Financial on a ''best efforts, 750,000 units minimum, or none'' basis and thereafter on a ''best efforts'' basis.

The registration statement has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. The units may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This news release does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the units in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of such state. The units will be offered solely by means of a prospectus.

Spectrum Information Technologies Inc., a publicly held integrated company along with its subsidiaries, has the demonstrated capability to develop, deliver and support a wide array of state-of-the-art telecommunications and portable data products.

Whether equipping field personnel with portable computers, providing host site computers and networks, or tying the two together with untethered, wireless communications technology, Spectrum is an industry leader.

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LAS VEGAS, NE (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Electronic Data Technologies announced Friday the appointment of Michael Stone as president of the company following the resignation of William R. Dukes for personal reasons.

Stone, former owner of Mikohn (a casino computerized display company), and former head of marketing for International Game Technology, has extensive experience in the gaming industry. Dukes has agreed to remain with the company, as necessary, to facilitate the transition.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Intercontinental Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ:ENTI) announced this week it anticipates a distribution to its shareholders of its ownership in American Depository Receipts (ADRs) of TCA (Holdings) Inc. (TCA).

The record date is Sept. 15, 1990, subject to and contingent upon approval by the Securities and Exchange Commission of an application of registration of the TCA ADRs.

TCA is engaged in the business of marketing private-label toys, including pre-school wood toys, dolls and accessories, and radio-controlled cars.

TCA is headquartered in Hong Kong, and has operations both in Hong Kong and the United States. ENTI owns a 48 percent interest in TCA.

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EMERYVILLE, CA (SEPT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Cetus Corp. (NASDAQ:CTUS) announced that a suit has been filed against the company by Erbamont Inc. of Stamford, Conn.

The complaint alleges patent infringement and includes a request for a

preliminary injunction. The action relates to sales of one of the two forms of doxorubicin marketed as a part of the company's joint venture, Cetus-Ben Venue Therapeutics.

The complaint alleges infringement of U.S. Patent No. 4,946,831 which issued to a foreign affiliate of Erbamont in August. Erbamont asserts that the patent relates to ready-to-use solutions of doxorubicin. Doxorubicin is a widely prescribed chemotherapeutic agent.

Cetus said its attorneys are reviewing the newly issued patent and the complaint, and are formulating an appropriate response. The company is continuing to market the venture's generic form of doxorubicin solution. The venture is currently the only FDA-approved supplier of a generic form of doxorubicin solution in the United States.

Cetus and Ben Venue Laboratories Inc. of Bedford, Ohio, formed their joint venture in 1985 for the purpose of manufacturing and marketing generic anticancer products.

The complaint was filed in the United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio. It asks for damages, costs and other relief.

Cetus Corp., founded in 1971, is based in Emeryville, and also operates EuroCetus in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

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PORTLAND, OR (SEPT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - BankAmerica Corporation Friday announced that it has acquired the retail branch system and certain assets and liabilities of The Benj. Franklin Federal Savings and Loan Association from the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) and will begin operating them immediately as Bank of America, Federal Savings Bank (FSB).

Headquartered in Portland, Benj. Franklin has 88 branches in four states, 66 of them in Oregon. It is the largest savings and loan in Oregon. In addition, Benj. Franklin operates 12 branches in Washington, nine in Idaho and one in Utah.

Services to Benj. Franklin's customers will continue without interruption when offices in all four states open as Bank of America, FSB on Monday, September 10.

''We're delighted to be extending our services in the expanding Northwest market,'' said BankAmerica Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Richard M.

Rosenberg. ''We welcome the opportunity to share our 86-year tradition of quality and responsiveness with customers and communities throughout the region.''

Under the terms of the transaction, Bank of America, FSB will acquire approximately $2.7 billion in deposits and about $3 billion in assets, including approximately $2.6 billion in loans. It has the option to return loans to the RTC that do not meet certain criteria. The Resolution Trust Corporation accepted a bid from Bank of America, FSB of a $162 million premium.

''Our winning bid reflects our view of the value of Benj. Franklin's businesses to BankAmerica shareholders,'' said Rosenberg. ''With customer relationships averaging seven years, Benj. Franklin represents an exceptionally strong consumer deposit base. In addition, we expect to retain more than $1 billion of Benj. Franklin's high quality loans, especially residential real estate loans made in the relatively strong Oregon and Washington markets.

''BankAmerica also obtains options to buy significant mortgage servicing business, with more than $1 billion of loans serviced, and a profitable insurance subsidiary that conducts a range of insurance agency activities and sells annuity and mutual fund products,'' added Rosenberg.

Within six months, Bank of America, FSB will be restructured into separate units in each state.

The twelve branches in Washington will be transferred to Seattle-First National Bank, BankAmerica's wholly owned Washington-based subsidiary. Seafirst currently has 188 branches in Washington.

The Oregon branches will be combined with Seafirst Bank Oregon and be known as Bank of America Oregon.

The Idaho branches are expected to become part of a newly chartered commercial bank, Bank of America Idaho, and the Utah branch is to be transferred to Bank of America Arizona, which already operates one branch in Utah.

Bank of America, FSB will operate as a subsidiary of BankAmerica Corporation and report to Vice Chairman Thomas E. Peterson, head of the Consumer Banking Group.

Randy C. James has been appointed chairman of Bank America, FSB. James, 42, has been vice chairman and manager, Commercial Markets Group at Seafirst since 1988. He was instrumental in starting Seafirst's Oregon Division in 1986. James joined Seafirst in 1975.

BankAmerica also currently has 855 branches in California, 15 in Nevada, 61 in Arizona and 59 branches and representative offices in 41 countries.

BankAmerica Corporation is the nation's second largest bank holding company and, in 1989, posted record earnings of $1.1 billion. BankAmerica has the highest equity capital ratio of the ten largest U.S. banking companies. As of the end of the second quarter 1990, BankAmerica had assets of $104 billion, deposits of $86 billion, and loans of $80.6 billion.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Larry D. Moulton has been named president of Keithley MetraByte, effective Sept. 12.

''We are very fortunate to bring Larry's leadership to Keithley MetraByte '' said Joseph P. Keithley, executive vice president of Keithley MetraByte/Asyst/DAC.

''In addition to his respected technical background, Larry has been responsible for numerous sales and general management successes within the test and measurement industry. PC-based data acquisition hardware and software is a market of high growth and focus for our company and the addition of Larry Moulton will certainly aid in achieving our goals,'' added Keithley.

Moulton was formerly general manager of Tektronix's Measurement Systems Division and president of Colorado Data Systems, a Tektronix subsidiary. Both operations develop, manufacture and market VXI card-based modular instruments for the emerging VXI market.

Moulton's previous experience includes the post of vice president of marketing at Gould's Recording Systems Division and 15 years in sales and marketing for GenRad. A 1967 graduate of the University of Illinois, Moulton holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering.

Moulton and his wife, Martha, have two children and will be relocating to

Keithley MetraByte's Taunton, Mass., headquarters.

Keithley MetraByte provides PC-based plug-in acquisition and control products which provide real time measurement and control of test procedures. Its products are marketed worldwide to researchers and scientists engaged in laboratory automation and experiment, as well as to engineers involved with process control and data collection applications. Keithley MetraByte is a part of Keithley Instruments' (AMEX:KEI) PC-based data acquisition and software group.

Keithley Instruments Inc. is a leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of electronic test and measurement instrumentation and data acquisition and analysis hardware and software. Keithley's common shares are listed on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol KEI.

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FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Stevens Graphics Corporation (SVGA & SVGB/AMEX), announced today that by mutual agreement with the owners of Scheffer, Inc., Stevens Graphics would not pursue its previously announced proposed acquisition of the Merrillville, Indiana, based manufacturer of in-line finishing equipment, including rotary cutters, pre-folding, numbering and perforating, and gluing/segmented printing equipment for the commercial and business forms market segments.

Paul I. Stevens, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Stevens Graphics, indicated that uncertain current stock market and industry conditions had led both parties to conclude that any combination of the companies should be considered at a later date.

Stevens Graphics Corporation, headquartered in Fort Worth, Texas, is the only U.S. based company that designs, manufactures, markets and services web-fed offset, gravure, flexographic, and intaglio printing and packaging press systems, collators, and related pre-press, printing and post-press equipment on a worldwide basis. The Company serves the packaging, commercial, business forms, and currency/securities segments of the U.S./North American and international printing and packaging industries. Corporate strategy is to create a larger company, by internal growth and by acquisition of industry-related companies, that provides ''complete systems solution'' lines of products.

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Mallory Factor Inc.
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ANTWERP, BELGIUM (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Shlomo Dovrat, president and chief executive officer of OSHAP TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (NASDAQ Symbol: OSHUF; NASDAQ/NMS Symbols: OSHSF, OSHWF), Friday announced that the company's amended registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission has been declared effective.

The prospectus contained in the registration statement relates to 1,000,000 shares of Common Stock and 1,000,000 Class B Warrants issuable upon exercise of the outstanding Class A Warrants.

Each Class A Warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock and one Class B Warrant at a price of $5.00 per Class A Warrant until November 25, 1990. Each Class B Warrant entitles the holder to purchase one ordinary share at a price of $7.25 until November 25.

Warrant holders desiring to exercise Warrants should contact the company's Warrant Agent, Herbert Lemer at the American Stock Transfer and Trust Co., 99 Wall Street, New York, New York 10005 (telephone number 212/936-5100) in order to obtain copies of the prospectus.

OSHAP TECHNOLOGIES LTD. provides advanced computer aided engineering workstations, flexible machining systems and standard automation products to major worldwide industrial concerns. OSHAP is also a manufacturer of hyperthermia and medical imaging equipment.

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John W. Heilshorn, 212/838-3777 Z

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AMSTELVEEN, NETHERLANDS (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - KLM Friday reported traffic and capacity figures for August 1990 and the first five months of the current financial year:

(In millions of tonmiles)

August (provisional)		
1990	1989	Growth perc.

Scheduled Flights			
Passengers	169.3	157.4	+ 8
Freight	123.9	106.6	+ 16
Mail	4.2	4.3	- 3
Charter flights	0.2	0.1	+ 31
Total traffic	297.6	268.4	+ 11
Capacity available	405.6	373.2	+ 9
Load factor perc.	73.4	71.9	

	April through August		
	1990/91	1989/90	Growth perc.
Scheduled Flights			
Passengers	750.2	701.6	+ 7
Freight	610.9	562.5	+ 9
Mail	21.5	22.2	- 3
Charters flights	1.0	1.3	- 24
Total traffic	1,383.6	1,287.6	+ 7
Capacity available	1,929.7	1,784.4	+ 8
Load factor perc.	71.7	72.2	

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CARLSBAD, CA (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Cardiotronics Inc. reported sales of $66,281 and a net loss of $191,930 for the quarter ended June 30.

As Cardiotronics was formed by a business combination in August 1989, comparative results for the corresponding year-ago period are not available.

Cardiotronics previously announced that in May 1990, the company commenced a joint marketing arrangement with Hewlett-Packard Co. and received an initial purchase order for its TRIAD-EP cardiac treatment system. This joint marketing arrangement has substantially boosted Cardiotronics' sales rate in the third quarter.

Management anticipates that third-quarter sales may exceed those of the second quarter by as much as 100 percent and that its operating loss for the period should be reduced.

In addition to an improving trend in operating results, Cardiotronics reported on several other financial developments. The company indicated it is pleased with recent activity suggesting that a meaningful number of its Class B warrants to purchase Cardiotronics' common stock at 20 cents per share are being

exercised. The company's Class B warrants expire Sept. 15, 1990.

Cardiotronics also announced it has renegotiated $300,000 in promissory notes payable to its chairman, which were originally due on various dates between Sept. 5, 1990, and Nov. 11, 1990. The company has now agreed to repay half of the principal amount of these notes on Sept. 20, 1990, and the balance over the next year.

In view of favorable financial developments and in order to minimize future dilution to the company's shareholders, Cardiotronics also announced that its Class C warrants to purchase Cardiotronics' common stock at 30 cents per share are being called and will be retired Oct. 8, 1990.

Cardiotronics Inc. develops, manufactures and markets disposable products and devices for the emergency electrical support of patients experiencing a heart attack. Based in Carlsbad, Cardiotronics common stock is traded over-the-counter by several makers. The company's second-quarter 10-Q and other information can be obtained by contacting Tim Way, 800/441-9446

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MILPITAS, CALIF. (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - System Industries Inc. (ASE:SYI) Friday announced revenues of $24,250,000 for the fourth quarter ended July 21, an increase of 6.2 percent from the $22,846,000 reported for the fourth quarter in fiscal 1989.

On these revenues, the company posted net income for the current quarter of $437,000, or 8 cents per share, primary and fully diluted, compared with a net loss of $1,473,000, or 28 cents per share, primary and fully diluted, for the comparable quarter in fiscal 1989.

For the twelve months of fiscal 1990, the company had revenues of $97,014,000, a 4 percent decrease from the $101,062,000 reported for fiscal 1989. On these revenues, however, the company posted net income of $209,000, or 4 cents per share, primary and fully diluted, which

reflects a substantial improvement over the net loss of $32,605,000, or $6.29 per share, primary and fully diluted, reported in fiscal 1989.

This 1989 loss includes a charge to earnings of $10,844,000 for the discontinuance of certain operations and additional restructuring reserves of $11,985,000 reported in fiscal 1989.

''The company's fourth quarter and full year results reflect the company's turnaround progress. The revenue increase in the fourth quarter is significant, not only because it showed improvement from the comparable prior year period, but because it is also a 4 percent increase over the immediate prior quarter.

''The fourth quarter and full year results were favorably impacted due to the reversal of approximately $380,000 and $1,780,000, respectively, of certain restructuring reserves that were no longer considered necessary.

''Also during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, the company recognized a gain from the disposition of a discontinued operation of approximately $1,083,000 net of tax,'' said Andrew D. Wahl, vice president and chief financial officer.

Founded in 1968, System Industries Inc., provides innovative data storage subsystems integrated with comprehensive supporting services for the DEC operating environment. System Industries' corporate headquarters is located in Milpitas.

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COSTA MESA, CALIF. (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - PDA Engineering (NASDAQ:PDAS) and Rand Technologies, a leading preferred system supplier for CAD/CAM/CAE applications, have formed a strategic VAR relationship to increase distribution channels for PDA's P/CONCEPT software.

Rand will provide sales, support and service for P/CONCEPT on a non-exclusive basis in the United States and Canada. ''Rand's thorough understanding of the mechanical design automation market makes them an ideal VAR partner for PDA,'' said Tom Curry, vice president and general manager of PDA Engineering's PATRAN Software Products Division.

Leading hardware and software vendors such as Sun Microsystems, Hewlett-Packard, Digital Equipment Corp., Silicon Graphics, Parametric Technology, Mechanical Dynamics and Computervision have selected Rand to help increase marketshare.

''We are extremely pleased to add P/CONCEPT and PDA Engineering to the roster of state-of-the-art solutions that we offer our customers,'' said Brian Semkiv, president of Rand Technologies. ''We look forward to a very successful relationship for both companies in the years ahead.''

PDA Engineering, based in Costa Mesa, specializes in analysis software, engineering services, materials engineering and training for mechanical engineers engaged in product design, analysis and manufacturing. PDA's leading MCAE software products, sold under the PATRAN brand name, provide specialty analysis capabilities for aerospace, automotive, commercial and government markets.

The company distributes its products through sales offices in 11 U.S. cities, five European subsidiaries and independent distributors elsewhere.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Management Technologies Corp. (''IMTECH'') 1/8NASDAQ:IMTKA (common), IMTKU (units), IMTKW (warrants)3/8 Friday announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, IMTECH Optical Systems has signed a distribution agreement with Universal Information Technologies.

For two decades, Universal Information Technologies has provided computing information services to many Fortune 1000 clients. Universal Information Technologies accepts paper and data and transforms it into a format that facilitates the flow of information throughout an organization.

Under the terms of the agreements, the distributors will offer IMTECH Optical Systems' PC-based optical data storage product ''COINS'' (Computer Output INformation System) in their product line. COINS allows computer output to be stored, retrieved, and viewed or printed, eliminating the need for paper copies, computer output microfilm or expensive magnetic storage. IMTECH expects this agreement to begin to generate revenues during the second quarter ending September 30, 1990.

Pierce Lowrey, Chief Executive Officer of IMTECH commented, ''Through the numerous dealer/distributor agreements we have signed since we initiated our aggressive COINS marketing program in January 1990, IMTECH is well-positioned to participate in an industry that analysts estimate will

grow to over $1.4 billion by 1992. In addition, we believe that the additional options which we can now provide our clients in storing, retrieving, printing and transmitting computer data electronically, greatly enhances our total facilities management services product.''

IMTECH provides on-site and off-site ''outsourcing'' of a wide range of back office services to firms in the services sector. These services include an optical data storage system -- Computer Output INformation System (COINS), electronic publishing, fulfillment, printing, reproduction and general mail room operations.

IMTECH's information facilities management (''IFM'') capabilities provide companies with the ability to contract out ancillary services to reduce operating costs and improve productivity, thereby allowing management to focus on its primary corporate objectives.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Millicom Inc. (NASDAQ:MILL) announced Friday that David Frear has been appointed chief financial officer for the company, effective as of Sept. 1.

David Frear was previously employed as an associate director of Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., in its investment banking department. While at Bear Stearns, Frear was part of an investment advisory team that has been actively involved with Millicom for the past few years.

J. Shelby Bryan, Millicom's chairman and chief executive officer comments, ''I look forward to working with David and believe that his extensive experience in industry, banking, and as a C.P.A., will enable him to make a substantial contribution to Millicom.''

Frear holds a bachelors degree and an M.B.A. from the University of Michigan.

Larry Melillo, Millicom's previous chief financial officer, has assumed the position of president and CEO of Millicom Telecommunications Services Inc.

Millicom Inc. is a diversified, international telecommunications company

with primary interests in radio telephony, alphanumeric paging and satellite television.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Intera Technologies Ltd. announced Friday the awarding of a $3.2 million Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) survey program with Malaysia's national oil company Petroliam Nasional Berhad (PETRONAS).

This contract involves the acquisition and processing of over 200,000 sq. km of high-resolution SAR data, covering the whole land area of the Malaysian states of Sabah and Sarawak on the equatorial island of Borneo.

Tropical equatorial regions such as Sabah and Sarawak are often shrouded in clouds and haze, hampering optical mapping techniques. Intera's STAR-1 SAR system creates photograph like images of the terrain by penetrating the clouds and haze using sophisticated imaging radar technology.

In Malaysia, Intera's STAR-1 data is to be used primarily for geologic mapping and interpretation of oil and gas exploration areas. Malaysia will also benefit from the planned use of the data for national programs in forest management, land use mapping, agricultural assessment, topographic mapping and environmental monitoring.

In addition, the company has been awarded eight projects from petroleum exploration companies that will be carried out on the way to Malaysia and in other S.E. Asian countries. The total amount of work awarded to Intera in the current quarter for STAR- 1 support of petroleum exploration now stands at $5.5 million. Work on these projects will begin immediately.

The company was also awarded two other petroleum-related using engineering and consulting services that totals $3 million. These are the first proprietary engineering projects exceeding $1 million in size funded directly by petroleum companies that have been awarded to ECL in the last five years.

The management of the company believe this is an indication of increasing strength in our petroleum market and expect that these projects will provide a strong start for our next fiscal year which commences Oct. 1.

CONTACT: Intera Technologies Ltd., Calgary, Robert S. Woodward, (403) 266-0900.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Anthony Industries (NYSE:ANT) announced that its board of directors had authorized the redemption on Oct. 15, 1990, of the company's 11-1/4 percent convertible subordinated debentures due Jan. 31, 2000, of which about $9.0 million principal amount are presently outstanding.

It is anticipated that formal notice of such redemption will be sent shortly.

Debentureholders will be entitled to receive $100 plus accrued interest for each $100 principal amount of debentures redeemed. As an alternative, debentureholders may choose to sell debentures in the open market or convert them, only until 5 p.m. EDT on Oct. 15, 1990, into Anthony common stock at a conversion price of $7.90 per share.

This is equivalent to approximately 12.7 shares of common stock for each $100 principal amount of debentures converted. Based on the closing price of $8.50 on Thursday, Sept. 6, of Anthony shares on the New York Stock Exchange, 12.7 shares have a current market value of approximately $108, which exceeds the redemption price.

Debentureholders who convert will not receive accrued interest and, in lieu of fractional shares, will receive the market value of any fractional shares. Approximately 1.1 million shares are subject to issuance on conversion of the debentures.

The company also announced that the board had authorized the repurchase of shares, from time to time, through privately negotiated transactions, open market purchases or otherwise, depending on price, market and economic conditions and other factors, up to the number of shares that are issued on conversion of debentures.

Anthony also reported that business softness was continuing, having previously announced net income of $3,441,000, or 38 cents per fully diluted share, for the first half of 1990 compared with $5,372,000, or 58 cents per fully diluted share, for the first six months of 1989.

Anthony Industries is a diversified manufacturer with operations in two major business segments: recreational products consisting of K2, Pre and Olin skis, Hilton Active apparel, Shakespeare fishing tackle, Anthony swimming pools, Poolsaver pool covers and Stearns water safety products; and industrial products including Simplex building materials, Shakespeare fiberglass antennas and light poles and Shakespeare monofilaments.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The shareholders of Odyssey Entertainment Ltd. (NASDAQ: ODYY) and Double Helix Films Inc. (NASDAQ: DHFI) voted, at special meetings of shareholders held in New York Thursday to approve the mergers of those companies with and into wholly owned subsidiaries of a new company, Communications and Entertainment Corp. (ComEnt), which was formed for the purpose of the mergers.

J. David Marks, president and chief executive officer of ComEnt, stated, "The merger effectively builds a stronger, larger organization that will take advantage of the opportunities currently available in the entertainment industry."

All outstanding shares of Odyssey common stock will be exchanged for shares of ComEnt Class A stock. Each share of Class A stock can be converted into common stock at a conversion ratio of .6375. All outstanding shares of Double Helix will be exchanged for shares of ComEnt common stock.

It is anticipated that the Class A and common stock will begin trading on NASDAQ on or about Monday, Sept. 10, under the symbols CECO A and CECO, respectively.

ComEnt, based in Los Angeles, will be primarily engaged in licensing the distribution rights to U.S. and foreign feature films in foreign markets. The company will continue to develop the Double Helix library of films and produce, co-produce or provide financing for feature films.

Through Odyssey Distributors Ltd., the company will package and distribute high-quality U.S. and foreign films on a worldwide basis and establish distribution joint ventures in various countries.

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NASHVILLE, TENN. (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Dollar General Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DOLR) Friday reported increased sales for the period ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Cal Turner Jr. said sales for the five weeks ended Aug. 31, 1900, totaled $68.7 million compared with $60.8 million in 1989, an increase of 13 percent. Same store sales for the period increased 9.4 percent.

''We are pleased with August sales and expect September to continue the positive trend that began in July,'' Turner said. ''With distribution interruptions substantially behind us, we look forward to a strong third quarter performance.''

For the first seven months of the year, Dollar General retail sales totaled $346.5 million compared with $330.2 million for the like period last year, an increase of 4.9 percent. Same store sales for the year have increased .4 percent.

Dollar General is a chain of 1,409 neighborhood stores operating in 23 states with distribution centers in Georgia and Kentucky. The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market.

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Robyn Scalise, 615/665-9102 (financial contact)

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NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The Louisiana Land and Exploration Co. (NYSE:LLX)(''LL&E'') Friday announced that it and its partners have applied for United Kingdom government approval for the development of the East Brae Field.

The field straddles Blocks 16/3a and 16/3b in the U.K. North Sea and contains estimated reserves of more than 300 million barrels of liquid hydrocarbons and 1.4 trillion cubic feet of gas. Through its wholly owned subsidiary, LL&E (U.K.) Inc., LL&E will have an initial 5.886 percent interest in the unitized field.

Below is an excerpt from a press release issued by the operator of the field concerning the project.

''Marathon Oil U.K. Ltd., a subsidiary of Marathon Oil Co. and USX Corp., on behalf of the Brae Group, has formally applied for Government approval to develop the East Brea field. East Brae is located in Blocks 16/3a and 16/3b, some 165 miles northeast of Aberdeen. The 850 million pounds sterling project will be the Brae Group's fourth North Sea field development and its third major platform installation.

East Brae is a gas condensate field and will be produced by gas cycling, and enhanced recovery method first applied in the North Sea at the Brae Group's North Brae field. Reserves are estimated at more than 300 million barrels of liquid hydrocarbons and 1.4 trillion cubic feet of gas. First production, planned for December 1993, is expected to peak at more than 100,000 barrels of condensate per day in 1995.

Field development will utilize the existing Brae Area infrastructure to improve efficiency and minimize costs. Injection gas and electrical power will be supplied from the South and North Brae platforms.

Substantial volumes of Brae gas will be available for sale through the SAGE (Scottish Area Gas Evacuation) System currently under construction and 50 percent owned by the Brea Group. Gas reserves in South, North, Central and East Brae exceed 2 trillion cubic feet, with several additional gas discoveries yet to be developed.

Negotiations for the sale of Brae gas are taking place with major U.K. gas buyers. Gas sales are planned to begin in 1993 and sales rates are expected ultimately to increase to 350 million cubic feet per day (MMCFD).

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MILWAUKEE (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Power Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: APWRA) has completed a private placement of $75 million in senior unsecured notes with a group of institutional investors.

The notes, which were executed Friday, Aug. 31, 1990, bear interest at a fixed rate of 9.92 percent with a ten-year final maturity and seven year average life.

Concurrently with the execution of the notes, Applied Power's bank group released certain security interests which had been structured into a five year revolving credit agreement put into place in June 1989, so that effectively all of Applied Power's debt is now unsecured.

In addition to providing a layer of longer-term debt, the placement complements the company's risk management activities by fixing a portion of its debt costs at a relatively attractive interest rate over the period.

Also, terms of the notes are sufficiently flexible to enable management to continue to aggressively pursue economically beneficial growth opportunities. Proceeds of the offering have been used to pay down

shorter-term, floating rate bank debt.

Applied Power is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the APWRA symbol. Applied Power is a global company which manufactures and distributes tools, equipment, systems, components and consumable items to manufacturing, construction, transportation, mobile equipment, aircraft, natural resource, specialized machinery and office markets. Approximately 45 percent of the company's sales and assets are outside of the United States.

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COLLINGWOOD, ONTARIO (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Keller Industries Limited (NASDAQ: KILSF (Shares); KILWF (Warrants)) (''the Company'') Friday announced financial results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, sales increased 120% to $1,072,922 from $488,550 in the same period of 1989. Net income for the current three month period increased to $105,493 or $.02 per share compared to net income of $5,210 or less than $.01 per share in the second quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, sales rose 123% to $1,281,523 from $574,312 in the first six months of 1989. The Company reported a net loss for the first six months of 1990 of $175,308 or $.04 per share as compared to a net loss of $81,784 or $.02 per share in the comparable period.

The increases in revenues in the first half and particularly the second quarter of 1990 are the result of a higher level of contracting activities undertaken by the Company and an increase in equipment sales.

During this period, Keller participated in four cement mortar lining contracts in the United States through its wholly owned subsidiary, Keller Pipeline Rehabilitation, Inc. These include two contracts in Los Angeles, a contract in Louisville, Kentucky, and a contract in Boston, Massachusetts, which began in June, 1990.

In addition, through its 50% owned Canadian subsidiary, Clearline Cement Lines, Inc., Keller entered its second year of contracting CML work with the city of Etobicoke, Ontario. A higher level of net income in the current period reflects increased gross profit margins, which reached 26.4% in the second quarter of 1990 as compared to 25% in the second quarter of 1989.

This is due to increased sales volume and subsequent economies of scale which allowed for more efficient operations.

In addition, selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of sales declined to 15% in the second quarter of 1990 as compared to 26% in the same quarter last year.

The first quarter of the current year was adversely affected by start-up costs incurred in U.S. contract operations, compounded by a loss in the first quarter on the Los Angeles contract. These costs together with the expected slow winter months have impacted the results for the six month period.

Paul Church, Chairman of Keller Industries, commented, ''We are pleased to report profitable operations in the second quarter of 1990. Thus far in 1990, our first year of operations in the U.S., we have participated in four cement mortar lining contracts with total contract value of approximately U.S. $3.6 million. Total contract value, while not indicative of the revenue and profit we have derived from our portion of these contracts, is a yardstick to measure our progress and involvement in the total CML market.''

Additionally Kevin Murray, Managing Director commented, ''Based on our current order book, we expect to continue our growth in revenues through the remainder of the year. With careful contract management, we expect to continue the profitable trend.''

Keller Industries Ltd. repairs and rehabilitates underground watermain pipeline systems using the cement mortar lining process (''CML''), a cost-effective technique which requires minimal excavation.

The Company designs and manufactures a proprietary system of equipment for use with the CML process.

KELLER INDUSTRIES LTD.
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited) IN U.S. DOLLARS UNDER U.S. GAAP

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$1,072,922	$488,550	$1,281,523	$574,312
Net Profit (Loss)	$ 105,493	$ 5,210	$(175,308)	$(81,784)
Earnings (Loss) per Share: In accordance with U.S. GAAP	$.02	$.(a)	$(.04)	$(.02)
Average Shares: In accordance with U.S. GAAP	4,508,375	4,724,000	4,508,375	4,529,580

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IN CANADIAN DOLLARS UNDER CANADIAN GAAP

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$1,251,135	$584,746	$1,494,384	$687,394
Net Profit (Loss)	$ 123,013	$ 6,236	$(204,428)	$(97,888)
Earnings (Loss) per Share: In accordance with Canadian GAAP	$.04	$.(a)	$(.03)	$(.05)
Average Shares: In accordance with Canadian GAAP	3,324,000	3,324,000	3,324,000	3,324,000 T

(a) Less than $.01 per share.

NOTE: The Company's primary financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars and are prepared on the basis of Canadian GAAP which differs in certain respects from United States GAAP. For the convenience of U.S. shareholders, this statement has been adjusted to conform with U.S. GAAP and translated into U.S. Dollars at the June 30, 1990 exchange rate of $1.166 (CDN) to $1.00 (US) for the period ending June 30, 1990 and $1.196 (CDN) to $1.00 (US) for the period ending June 30, 1989.

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LAS VEGAS (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Donald Mustain II, chairman of TGN Inc. - The Gaming Network - announced that Gary Shenfeld has been named executive vice president initially assigned to East Coast and Offshore Development for TGN's Television Gaming News Network.

Mustain stated, ''Gary Shenfeld's unique background, encompassing more than 30 years of media experience combined with more than 15 years of direct experience in the gaming and casino industries, brings important advantages to TGN.

''His expertise in television production is reflected in the superb quality of our recently completed demonstration video, and will carry over into TGN's ongoing television programming. We are delighted to have a seasoned professional such as Gary on our production and management team.''

For three years, Shenfeld served as a public relations and special events coordinator for the Resorts International Hotel/Casino in Atlantic City, N.J., where he was a member of the management group which opened the first gaming casino in the eastern United States.

Public relations activities in connection with the opening included air shows, parades, motion picture premieres, live television programs, celebrity spectaculars and cultural events. As a public relations consultant to the Playboy Hotel/Casino in Atlantic City, he produced ESPN Top Rank and NBC-TV boxing events.

He previously wrote a monthly feature column for one of America's leading gaming publications, and for many years has contributed articles, stories and advertising features for national gaming and travel magazines.

His media experience includes serving as a writer and editor of sports and news features for newspapers in Boston, Atlantic City and Philadelphia, and 11 years as president of his own public relations/advertising firm in Atlantic City.

His extensive background in the television business includes over eight years of daily news reporting for the NBC and Westinghouse networks. Starting as a news reporter, he moved up to space, science and defense editor and news producer. During this time, he won the Department of the Navy's highest civilian award for his coverage of the Viet Nam War.

TGN - The Gaming Network - is a development stage company planning to transmit televised entertainment and gaming programming via satellite subscribers and satellite dish owners. The common stock of TGN Inc. (formerly Celesta Corp.) is traded over-the-counter.

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TUPELO, MS (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Hancock

Fabrics Inc. (NYSE: HKF), at its meeting held Sept. 7, 1990, declared a cash dividend of 14 cents per share on the outstanding common shares, payable Oct. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record Oct. 1, 1990.

Hancock Fabrics Inc. is a retail and wholesale merchant of fabric and related home sewing and decorating accessories. The company currently operates 415 retail fabric stores in 31 states and supplies approximately 200 independent wholesale customers.

CONTACT: Hancock Fabrics Inc., Tupelo, Larry G. Kirk, (601) 842-2834.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Landmark Graphics Corp. Friday announced the completion of letters of intent for the acquisition of Inverse Theory & Application Inc. (ITA), of Calgary, Canada, and Zycor Inc., of Austin, Texas.

These letters of intent outline acquisitions based on exchanges of stock.

ITA is an innovative software developer specializing in interactive, workstation-based approaches to the processing of geophysical data. Zycor Inc. is a leading software vendor for interactive mapping and modeling of subsurface geology.

ITA and Zycor will maintain their operations as wholly owned subsidiaries headquartered in Calgary and Austin, respectively. Under the terms of the proposed acquisition, Landmark will issue approximately 1.4 million shares of Landmark stock with a current value of approximately $23 million.

Landmark believes that the transactions, when completed, will increase its expected revenues for 1991 fiscal year over previous estimates by approximately 20 percent. The transaction is expected to reduce Landmark's fiscal 1991 first quarter earnings per share from original expectations while increasing its earnings per share for the fiscal year.

The decrease for the first quarter will result from the dilution attributed to the acquisitions and expenses incurred in connection with the transaction.

Landmark has been a leader in the computer-aided exploration (CAEX) industry since the introduction of its interactive 3D seismic software in 1984. Used primarily by oil industry geophysicists to visualize subsurface features in the search for oil and gas, the company's products have focused on utilizing seismic data.

A key element of Landmark's long-term growth plan has been to extend CAEX

tools to geoscientists in complementary markets, where different data types -- such as well data or engineering data -- are used. Accroding to company officials, these acquisitions address the need to expand the CAEX distribution channel and are part of a long-term plan to capture the broad opportunity offered by the CAEX market.

The ITA acquisition recognizes that the boundaries between seismic processing and seismic interpretation are fading, partly due to the availability of interactive tools.

Landmark is the leading supplier of computer-aided exploration technology with systems installed in more than 27 countries. OpenWorks is a registered trademark of Landmark Graphics Corp.

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MELVILLE, NY (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Greenstone Rabasca Roberts Inc. (NASDAQ: GRRI) Friday reported revenues from commissions and fees for the third quarter ended July 31, of $2,232,962 as compared to $1,432,049 in the comparable quarter of last fiscal year.

Net income in the third quarter was $161,787, or 2 cents per share, as compared to $107,162, or 1 cent per share, in fiscal 1989. Commissions and fees for the nine months ended July 31 were $6,019,918 and net income was $318,781, or 3 cents per share.

Comparative nine month figures are not provided because the company became a corporate tax-paying entity as a result of going public on Feb. 10, 1989 whereby its ''S Corporation'' status was terminated.

Greenstone Rabasca Roberts Inc., a full-service advertising agency headquartered in Melville, is the parent company to GRR/Weston Ganoff Marini, Coconut Creek, Fla.; Greenstone Rabasca Roberts South, Palm Bay, Fla.; and GRR/Sommer, Teaneck, N.J. Additionally, the company has public relations and recruitment advertising divisions.

CONTACT: Greenstone Rabasca Roberts Inc., Melville
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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Friday announced a four-cent increase in the domestic spot selling price of

electrolytic copper.

Its new price, which is effective immediately, is $1.38 per pound for cathodes on a delivered basis.

CONTACT: ASARCO Incorporated, New York
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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Belvedere Corp. (AMEX:BLV) announced Friday that the previous merger proposal made by Storebrand America to merge its 100 percent owned subsidiary, Christiania Holding Co. Inc., into Belvedere Corp. was extended from Sept. 7 to Oct. 31.

Storebrand currently owns 49.9 percent of Belvedere.

Belvedere's principal subsidiary, Belvedere America Reinsurance Co. is a property-casualty reinsurer, as is Christiania's principal subsidiary, Christiania General Insurance Co.

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#90250b0736 09/07/1990 ~Business Wire
FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The Tandy Corp. board of directors has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share.

The dividend is payable to stockholders of record as of Oct. 1, with payment scheduled for Oct. 23.

CONTACT: Tandy Corp., Fort Worth, Philip M. Bradtmiller, (817) 390-3730.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - B&H Ocean Carriers (ASE: BHO) Friday announced that its board of directors has authorized a proposal to shareholders that the company repurchase up to 20 percent of the company's currently outstanding 4,080,000 shares of common stock.

In making today's announcement, Michael S. Hudner, president, of the operator of seven bulkcarriers and six product tankers, said that "At the present time, B&H Ocean stock can be acquired at a significant discount from what management believes is the underlying net asset value. By proposing this share buy-back program, the company intends to both draw the attention of investors to this situation and to directly increase shareholder values."

CONTACT: The Foristall Co. Inc., New York, T.F. Curtin, (212) 797-4646.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - B+H Maritime Carriers (ASE:BHM) Friday announced that its board of directors has authorized a proposal to shareholders that the company repurchase up to 20 percent of the company's currently outstanding 3,080,000 shares of common stock.

In making today's announcement, Michael S. Hudner, president of the operator of five bulkcarriers and five product tankers, said that ''At the present time, B+H Maritime stock can be acquired at a significant discount from what management believes is the underlying net asset value.

''By proposing this share buy-back program, the company intends to both draw the attention of investors to this situation and to directly increase shareholder values.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Millicom Inc. (NASDAQ:MILL) Friday announced the successful completion of its previously announced private placement transactions with 22 unaffiliated European institutional investors, principally in the United Kingdom, under which those investors purchased an aggregate of 665,000 shares of its common stock at $19 per share.

265,000 shares were sold by the company and 400,000 shares were sold by a stockholder of the company, The 1985 Stenbeck Trust.

Millicom received approximately $4.75 million as net proceeds of the sale. The private placement transactions were arranged through Bear, Stearns International Limited.

Millicom Inc. is a diversified international telecommunications company

with primary interests in cellular telephone systems, alphanumeric paging systems and satellite television.

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#90250b0743 09/07/1990 ~Business Wire

WEST CALDWELL, NJ (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - First State Financial Services Inc., announced a $.05 quarterly dividend payable on Sept. 28 to stockholders of record on Sept. 18.

CONTACT: First State Financial Services Inc., West Caldwell
Emil Butchko, 201/575-5800

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#90250b0747 09/07/1990 ~Business Wire

RICHMOND, VA. (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert H. Hilb, president of Hilb Rogal and Hamilton Co. (NASDAQ: HRHC) announced an agreement in principal has been reached with the James River Financial Group Inc. of Richmond and Hilb Rogal and Hamilton Co.'s Richmond subsidiary.

Terms were not disclosed.

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. of Richmond expects to complete the acquisition of the property and casualty insurance and group benefits and administration business of the James River Financial Group Inc. on or before Oct. 1, 1990. George W. Chatfield and Timothy R. Rash will each be a senior vice president of Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. of Richmond upon completion of the acquisition.

Hilb stated: ''The property and casualty and group business of the James River Financial Group Inc. will mesh nicely with our Richmond subsidiary and will represent another orderly step in the expansion of our company.''

According to George W. Chatfield: ''This move will add additional insurance markets, expertise and strength to our firm, and assures that our tradition of service to the community will continue even stronger.''

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. provides insurance agency services to a wide variety of clients through its network of wholly owned subsidiaries which operate 39 insurance agencies in 15 states and the District of Columbia. The company is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol HRHC.

CONTACT: Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co., Richmond

Robert H. Hilb, 804/747-6500

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MELVILLE, NY (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Legal Software Solutions Inc. (OTC:LSSI) named a new chief executive officer and reported substantial decreases in last year-end losses fueled in large part by strong sales from its new EasyCollect II legal collections product and through significant reductions in cost and expenses.

LSSI develops and markets integrated computer software systems to serve the nation's $36 billion debt collection industry. The company markets in EasyCollect litigation systems to law firms, financial institutions, corporate collections departments, federal, state and muncipal governments.

During 1990, LSSI sold 12 new software collection systems, eight of them the company's new EasyCollect II PC product. Revenues from the sales of computer software increased by $220,918, or 35 percent over the prior year. Computer hardware sales increased by $134,574 or by 68 percent.

Total sales for the year increased by 43 percent to $1,186,463. With costs and expenses reduced by $480,817, or 16 percent, the company's net operating loss for the year ending April 30, decreased by $836,309, or by 38 percent to $1,370,882.

Effective Aug. 16, Frank Murphy was named the company's new chief executive officer. Prior to his appointment, Murphy was executive vice president of Baxter Systems, a division of the Chicago-based Baxter HealthCare Inc. As such, he was responsible for field operations and for annual revenues of $35 million.

Murphy said he expected sales of the new EasyCollect II system to increase substantially during the year based on the lower cost of the product and on an increasing market trend to utilize the PC platform for debt collection purposes.

To spur system sales, the company earlier this year entered into a cooperative marketing agreement with Julius Blumberg Inc., a market leader in the sales of legal forms and supplies.

Though sales and earnings are moving in a positive direction, Murphy said that the company would require further financing to enable it to meet its capital requirements and to fund its marketing activities.

To that end, the company has recently received a commitment for a $300,000 investment from a group of investors for 2 million shares.

CONTACT: Chetwood Co., New York
S.B. Elliott, 212/983-1515

-30- 2507
#90250b0759 09/07/1990 ~Business Wire

ENGLEWOOD, CO (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Senior executive changes at J.W. Gant Financial Inc., parent corporation of the investment banking and brokerage firm, J.W. Gant & Associates Inc., were announced Friday.

Eric Russell has been named president, succeeding Sandra L. Solomon who has left the firm to pursue other financial interests. Joining her is Sal Venezia who was formerly vice president.

Solomon and Venezia were co-founders of J.W. Gant & Associates in 1983, and were actively involved in creating J.W. Gant Financial Inc., which went public earlier this year.

President Eric Russell has been engaged in the investment industry during most of his career. He joined the company in 1985 holding various positions, his most recent post being president of the J.W. Gant Fund's investment advisor, Louis Anthony Advisory Group.

J.W. Gant Financial Inc. whose securities are listed on the Boston Stock Exchange and the NASDAQ system is the parent of J.W. Gant & Associates a fully integrated, self-clearing securities brokerage and investment banking firm.

The company has its headquarters in englewood, Colo., and its regional office in Boca Raton, Fla., with offices in principal cities throughout the United States.

CONTACT: J.W. Gant Financial Inc., Boca Raton, Fla.
Frank Palumbo, 800/444-GANT or 407/994-1404

-30- 1500
#90250b0762 09/07/1990 ~Business Wire

SOUTH WINDSOR, CT (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - H. Joseph Gerber, president and chairman of the board of Gerber Scientific Inc. Friday announced that the board of directors elected Fredric K. Rosen as a senior vice president and Ronald B. Webster as a vice president of Gerber Scientific Inc.

Fredric K. Rosen, has been promoted from vice president of Gerber Scientific Inc. to senior vice president. Rosen joined Gerber Garment Technology Inc. (GGT) in 1988 as president and chief executive officer and will continue to serve in both these positions.

GGT, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the corporation, is a leading innovator in the design and manufacture of computer-aided design and computer-aided manufacturing (CAD/CAM) systems for the apparel and related industries.

Ronald B. Webster will serve as vice president of Gerber Scientific Inc., in addition to continuing to serve as president of Gerber Scientific Products Inc. (GSP). Webster, a 30-year Gerber veteran, has been instrumental in the development of several proprietary company products during his tenure with the Gerber companies.

GSP, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the corporation, is the world's leading manufacturer of computerized systems for the signmaking and graphic arts industries.

Gerber Scientific Inc. produces high technology factory automation capital equipment for a variety of industries.

CONTACT: Gerber Scientific, South Windsor
Robert D. Lipira, 203/291-8241

-30- 1646

#90250b0763 09/07/1990 ~Business Wire

FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Justin Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:JSTN) announced Friday that its board of directors has rescinded a previously adopted amendment to the company's bylaws which increased the vote required to remove directors from office at a special meeting of shareholders from a majority (of the stock voted at a meeting) to 75 percent of the outstanding stock.

John Justin, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of the company said, ''On Nov. 3, 1989, the board of directors of the company adopted an amendment to the company's bylaws which required the consent of 75 percent of the outstanding stock to remove a director at a special meeting of shareholders.

''This was done to make it more difficult for a hostile raider to acquire the company without first negotiating with the board of directors. The board also believed that the amendment would make it more difficult for a corporate raider to acquire the company through a hostile tender offer at a price far below the true value of the company.

''However, in litigation, the Sutherland/Rosenstein group of shareholders has characterized the amendment and its nondisclosure as an effort to deliberately deceive the company's shareholders and strip them of their right to remove directors.

''Although the company vehemently disagrees with such a characterization,

and intends to contest vigorously the claims made against it in such litigation, the company wishes to avoid any appearance of unfairness to any of its shareholders.

''Accordingly, the board voted today to rescind the previously adopted bylaw amendment and reinstate the prior provisions of the bylaws providing for removal of directors by a majority vote of shareholders (at any meeting at which there is a quorum of shareholders).''

CONTACT: Justin Industries Inc., Fort Worth
Richard J. Savitz, 817/390-2412

-30- 2078
#90250b0767 09/07/1990 ~Business Wire
FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Wolverine Exploration Co. (NASDAQ:WEXC) has declared a dividend of $.5625 per share on its convertible exchangeable preferred stock which will be payable on Sept. 30 to holders of record on close of business on Sept. 14.

CONTACT: Wolverine Exploration Co., Fort Worth
Jeffrey L. Stevens, 817/335-4701

-30- 531
#90250b0769 09/07/1990 ~Business Wire
NORTH CANTON, OH (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Belden & Blake Energy Co. (AMEX:BBE) Friday declared a cash distribution for the third quarter of 1990 in the amount of 5 cents per unit.

The distribution is payable on Oct. 19, to unitholders of record on Sept. 28. A total of 5,800,276 units are outstanding.

In making the announcement, H.S. Belden IV, co-general partner of the company stated: ''We are confident in both the near-term and long-term outlook for the company. Continued achievement of 1990 goals should result in a strong third quarter -- without regard for the recent escalation of oil prices. The $12.50 per barrel price increase since Aug. 1, however, should materially enhance the company's financial position.''

Belden & Blake Energy Co. is a limited partnership traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol ''BBE.'' The company operates exclusively in Ohio, New York and Pennsylvania, and it is a major producer of oil and natural gas in the Appalachian Basin.

CONTACT: Belden & Blake Energy Co., North Canton
Patricia A. Cathey, 216/499-1660

-30- 1277
#90250b0784 09/07/1990 ~Business Wire
MEMPHIS, TN (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Planters Corp. (UPC) (NYSE:UPC) and Vining-Sparks Securities Inc. (VSS) Friday announced the proposed combination of substantially all of the operations of Union Planters Investment Bankers Corp. (UPIBC), the broker/dealer affiliate of UPC, and VSS, an independent broker/dealer, owned by James L. Vining and Willard Sparks, into a new limited partnership to be called Vining-Sparks Investment Bankers Group, LP (VSIBG).

There will be no change in ownership of either UPIBC or VSS. They will become partners in VSIBG and cease independent broker/dealer activities. The new partnership will employ approximately 350 people and have capital of approximately $12.0 million. VSS will be the general partner and own 51 percent of the partnership, while UPIBC will be a limited partner and own 49 percent. Income distribution of VSIBG will be on the same basis as ownership.

Neither UPIBC nor Willard Sparks, 51 percent owner of VSS, will be active in the management of the new partnership. James L. Vining, chief executive officer of the managing partner, will be chief executive officer of VSIBG.

The partnership will be headquartered in Memphis and operate offices in Birmingham, Ala., Charlotte, N.C., Chicago, Little Rock, Ark., Sarasota, Fla., and Seattle. All current securities brokerage services now being offered by both UPC and VSS will continue to be offered.

UPC will retain the capital markets and SBA operations of UPIBC. The sales force of the partnership will represent these operations on an ''as agent'' basis for all retail sales required.

CONTACT: Union Planters Corp., Memphis
Jack Parker, 901/523-6781

-30- 1884
#90250b0792 09/07/1990 ~Business Wire
TINTON FALLS, NJ (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation today announced financial results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported a fourth quarter net loss of $38.0 million, or $2.05 per share, compared with a net loss of $.6 million, or 3 cents per share, in the previous year. Fourth quarter results include a restructuring provision of $24.2 million, or $1.31 per share, in connection with the previously announced strategic reorganization intended to better align

costs and revenues and substantially reduce its break-even point. Prior year results included a gain of $3.6 million from the sale of a 40 percent interest in the company's wholly owned Japanese subsidiary.

The strategic reorganization and its associated provision includes the termination of manufacturing at the company's Ireland facility and reductions in its worldwide workforce. A downturn in business, reflecting the conditions of the industry, led the company to reduce excess manufacturing capacity and necessitated the other actions. The related restructuring provision of $24.2 million is primarily attributable to plant shutdown costs, severances and other related costs.

Net sales for the fourth quarter were $78.4 million compared with $85.6 million in the prior year. The company said that confusion and hesitation in the marketplace, caused by the accelerated trend towards standards-based products, resulted in delayed purchase decisions. In addition, unexpected customer requested delays and cancellations, specifically in government programs where uncertain conditions exist, contributed to the decline.

Net loss for the year was $41.7 million, or $2.28 per share, compared with a net loss of $24.7 million, or $1.43 per share, in the prior year. Restructuring provisions totaling $27.2 million and non-cash purchase accounting charges of $12.5 million contributed significantly to the most recent loss.

Net sales for the year were $340.1 million compared with $278.0 million a year ago. Prior year results did not inlcude three months of former Concurrent's operations due to the timing of the merger with the company.

The company said it continues to be constrained by its highly leveraged capital sturcture and, as previously announced, is working with Golman, Sachs & Co. to seek alternatives.

Based on the reported results, the company has entered into discussions with its senior lenders to adjust or waive certain covenant requirements.

Concurrent Computer Corporation, headquartered in Tinton Falls, New Jersey is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through the Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

CONTACT: Concurrent Computer Corporation, Tinton Falls
Barbara A. Pistilli, 201/758-7576

-30- 3304
#90250b0802 09/07/1990 ~Business Wire
ARMONK, N.Y. (SEPT 7) BUSINESS WIRE - A federal court in Philadelphia has ruled that copying by Allen-Myland, Inc. (AMI), of IBM software known as ''3090 microcode'' violated IBM copyrights.

AMI's copying was also found to involve the distribution of copies of the microcode with false and misleading labels which were intended by AMI to mislead customers into believing that the copies were created and distributed by IBM.

Additionally, the court found that AMI breached agreements with IBM relating to upgrades of certain 308X systems and breached an agreement for the purchase of a 3090 Model 400E ''split'' RPQ (request for a price quotation). A portion of one of IBM's counterclaims was not granted based on a technical interpretation of IBM's 1956 Consent Decree.

In his decision, U.S. District Judge Thomas N. O'Neill, Jr., ruled in part that ''...the evidence established that AMI has engaged in extensive copying of the 3090 microcode, both to stock its library and to supply the 3090 microcode to reconfigured or split 3090 systems.''

The court also found in IBM's favor on all claims asserted by AMI against IBM, including breach of contract claims relating to 3090 microcode licenses and 3090 system support, as well as IBM's alleged interference with AMI's 3090 split and memory upgrade activities.

Finally, the court dismissed AMI's remaining antitrust claim. The court had previously ruled in IBM's favor on AMI's principal antitrust claim in 1988.

The court directed that further proceedings take place to determine the precise nature of the injunctions to be entered in IBM's favor and to determine the amount of damages that AMI will be required to pay IBM.

CONTACT: IBM, Armonk, New York Brian Doyle, 914/765-6432 or 203/743-4547 (Saturday)

-30- 1972
#90250c0003 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:17 that trade in Amcore Financial Inc.(NASDAQ: AMFI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 13. The company is located in Rockford, IL.

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#90250c0004 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:46 that trade in Manville Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol MVL.

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#90250c0005 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:13 that trade in Weldotron Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol WLD.

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#90250c0006 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:20 that trade in Amcore Financial Inc.(NASDAQ: AMFI) has been resumed. The first sale was 13; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90250c0007 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Energy Ventures Inc.(TICKER: ENGY) is offering 1.37 million shares of common stock.

The last reported sale price, on Aug. 30, 1990, was $19 per share.

The company is offering 1.3 million shares, and 72,000 shares are being offered by a selling stockholder.

Energy Ventures is an oilfield service and equipment company with approximately 2,000 employees.

It provides drilling and workover services and manufactures specialty oilfield tubular products, artificial lift equipment and packers and completion systems.

Energy also engages in oil and gas exploration and production activities through its ownership of a minority interest in a joint venture, "COLEVE," with Columbia Gas Development Corp.

The offering is underwritten by Lehman Brothers and Howard, Weil, Labouisse and Friedrichs.

The company's offices are located at 515 Post Oak Blvd., Suite 500, Houston, TX 77027-9408, and its telephone number is (713) 963-9595.

-30- 1196
#90250c0008 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Coalmont Inc. is offering 100 million Class A warrants, each unit consisting of 1,000 shares of common stock, 50 Class A common stock warrants and 50 Class B common stock warrants, on a "best efforts" 25,000-unit minimum, 100,000-unit maximum basis.

The company's officers and directors are offering 100 million Class A warrants and 75 million Class B warrants.

Each Class A warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $0.02 per share during the two-year period starting Aug.17, 1990.

Each Class B warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $0.03 per share during the three-year period starting Aug. 17, 1990.

The company has the right to redeem the warrants upon 90 days' written notice, at $0.00001 per warrant, starting three months from the above-mentioned date, Aug. 17, 1990.

Coalmont was organized January 24, 1989, to obtain funding from persons purchasing in this offering in order to provide a vehicle to take advantage of business opportunities which management believes arise from time to time.

The original registration statement became effective February 14, 1990, but the underwriter was unable to sell the minimum number of units required to close the offer during the 180-day offering period.

The purpose of this offering is to begin a new offering period.

Private Investors Cartel Ltd. is underwriting the offering.

The company's offices are located at 5600 Greenwood Plaza Blvd., Suite 206, Englewood, CO 80111, and its telephone number is (303) 773-9021.

-30- 1820
#90250c0010 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Car Mart Inc., effective Sept. 4, 1990, is offering 700,000 units consisting of 1.4 million shares of Class A common stock, and 1.4 million redeemable Class A warrants.

Each unit consists of two shares of Class A common stock, and two

redeemable Class A common stock warrants.

The Class A warrants are immediately exercisable and separately transferable from the Class A common stock.

Each Class A warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of Class A common stock and one redeemable Class B common stock warrant at $4.50 per share until the fifth anniversary of this offering, dated Sept. 5, 1990.

Each Class B warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of Class A common stock at $6 per share, subject to adjustment, also until the fifth anniversary of this offering.

Class A and B warrants are redeemable at $0.05 per warrant on 30 days' written notice, ending within 15 days of the date on which the notice of redemption is given, shall have exceeded $7 and $9 per share, respectively.

Car Mart Inc. purchases retail installment contracts from automobile dealers at a discount and resells those contracts to banks at a profit.

The offering is underwritten by D.H. Blair & Co. Inc.

The company's offices are located at 370 17th Street, Suite 5060, Denver, CO 80202, and its telephone number is (303) 592-4311.

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#90250c0011 09/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Greenman Brothers Inc.(TICKER: GMN) sold on Aug. 17, 1990, the operating assets of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Circus World Toy Stores Inc., to CW Kay-Bee Inc., a subsidiary of Melville Corp.(TICKER: MES) of New York.

The purchase included a cash payment to Circus World of $77.31 million and an additional $11 million deposited in escrow with the Bank of New York.

After the closing, Greenman Brothers repaid the sum of approximately $35 million, representing its entire bank indebtedness at the time, and permanently reduced its available commitment to $10 million under its credit agreement dated Dec. 29, 1986, between Greenman and Hanover Trust Co.

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#90250c0012 09/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Socal Resources Inc. on July 1, 1990, acquired all business and assets of Art Guard Inc., in exchange for 3.30 million shares of Socal's common stock.

As a result of the acquisition, there are approximately 3.62 million shares of Socal's common stock issued and outstanding.

On June 30, 1990, Socal changed its name to Art Guard Inc. and caused a one for fifty reverse stock split to be accomplished with respect to it issued and outstanding common stock, of which the par value remains at $0.001 per share.

The directors and executive officers of Socal, prior to consummation of the transaction, were Ronald Stoecklien and Daniel Smith.

On July 10, 1990, they resigned as directors and executive officers of Socal and Jordan Wank, Charles Butland, James Sherk and Terrence Feldman were appointed as directors and executive officers.

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#90250c0013 09/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows The One Bancorp (TICKER: TONE) on Sept. 5, 1990, offered to purchase all its outstanding 7/ 1/2% debentures, due 2011, in exchange for cash and shares of a new series of preferred stock, known as Convertible Noncumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series B.

Under terms of the offer, each $1,000 principal amount of debentures will be exchanged for $100 in cash and 3.0 shares of preferred stock, each share having a value of $10.

Preferred stock provides for the noncumulative dividends at a rate of 7% annually.

The company reports, however, that it is not anticipated that it will be in a position to pay any dividends on its capital stock, including preferred stock, in the forseeable future.

The conversion price of the preferred stock is equal to the closing as price for the company's common stock on Sept. 4, 1990, of $0.375.

Based on this conversion price, each share of preferred stock is convertible at any time and from time to time into 26.67 shares of the company's common stock at the option of the holder, subject to adjustment.

The One Bancorp is a bank holding company registered with the Federal Reserve System.

Advest is underwriting the offering.

The company's offices are located at One Maine Savings Plaza, Portland, ME 04101, and its telephone number is (207) 871-1111.

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#90250c0014 09/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 7) COMTEX - The NASD has announced 11:14 that trade in Manville Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol MVL. Trading was resumed at 11:10.

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#90250c0015 09/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 7) COMTEX - MCA Inc.(TICKER: MCA) has completed the previously announced acquisition of the 18-screen Universal City Cinemas for $45 million.

The cinemas, which are located on Universal City property, were purchased from a subsidiary of Cineplex Odeon Corp., according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 6, 1990.

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#90250c0016 09/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 7) COMTEX - Milford, Mass.-based Boston Digital Corp., (TICKER: BOST) a maker of numerically-controlled machining centers, has adopted a poison-pill shareholder rights plan, and is exploring the possibility of a strategic partnership or merger.

The moves come with Vermont investor Charles Andrews' boost of his stake in the company to more than 18 percent over the last six months.

Under the new poison pill, if an investor acquires more than 20 percent of the company, other investors may buy shares at a discount, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 6, 1990.

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#90250c0018 09/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:20 that trade in Lasermetrics Inc. (NASDAQ: LSRM) has been resumed. The first bid was 3/32; down 1/8 point from the halt and previous close.

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#90250c0019 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY CPO ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 13,363,485 SHARES (88.40%) OF CP OVERSEAS INC (TICKER: CPOX) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CPO Associates intends to enter into a subscription agreement with CP Overseas Inc. under which CP Overseas Inc. will sell 11 million shares to CPO at $.91 each. CPO also intends to approve a four to one stock split of CP Overseas Inc. common stock, loans of up to $ million to Americanino Capital Corp. and a name change of CP Overseas Inc. to United Fashions Inc.

PURPOSE:

Subscription agreement for 11 million shares.

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#90250c0020 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

BOYAS EXCAVATING INC OWNS 1,303,753 SHARES (14.90%) OF REPUBLIC WASTE INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: RWIN) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Boyas Excavating Inc. was issued 1,303,753 shares valued at $10 per share in connection with the merger of Boyas Industrial Services Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Boyas Excavating Inc., into Republic Boyas Acquisition Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Republic Waste Industries Inc. Republic Waste Industries Inc. and Boyas Excavating Inc. entered into an agreement with respect to resale of restricted securities and registration rights dated as of June 29, 1990 under which Republic Waste Industries Inc. is required to register a portion of the shares issued to Boyas Excavating Inc.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90250c0021 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 390,000 SHARES (5.20%) OF FAILURE GROUP INC (TICKER: FAIL).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90250c0022 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 20

GROUP LED BY ITM ACQUISITION CORP OWNS 13,250,000 SHARES (44.50%) OF MACK TRUCKS INC (TICKER: MACK) OF ALLENTOWN, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mack and Renault announced on Sept. 6, 1990 that they have entered into a definitive merger agreement which allows Renault to acquire the remaining shares of Mack it does not own for $6.25 per share in cash. The offer has also been extended until Sept. 20, 1990 and has been approved by Mack's special committee and its financial advisor.

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#90250c0023 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

GROUP LED BY ITM ACQUISITION CORP OWNS 13,250,000 SHARES (44.50%) OF MACK TRUCKS INC (TICKER: MACK) OF ALLENTOWN, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mack and Renault announced on Sept. 6, 1990 that they have entered into a definitive merger agreement which allows Renault to acquire the remaining shares of Mack it does not own for $6.25 per share in cash. The offer has

also been extended until Sept. 20, 1990 and has been approved by Mack's special committee and its financial advisor.

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#90250c0024 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 37

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 5, 1990, Valhi agreed to acquire the remaining 44 percent of NL (TICKER: NL) it does not own in exchange for 1.6 shares of Valhi for each NL share.

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#90250c0026 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

G.E. FISCHBACH OWNS 5,489,583 SHARES (29.10%) OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC (TICKER: AKLM) OF OYSTER BAY, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 3, 1990, Acclaim Entertainment Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC covering a proposed firm commitment for the sale of 450,000 shares by G.E. Fischbach.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

G.E. Fischback sold 175,000 shares on May 1, 1990 for $.0036 per share.

PURPOSE:

Filing of registration statement covering the sale of shares by G.E. Fischbach.

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#90250c0027 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

J. SCOROPOSKI OWNS 5,445,583 SHARES (28.90%) OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC (TICKER: AKLM) OF OYSTER BAY, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 3, 1990, Acclaim Entertainment Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC covering a proposed firm commitment for the sale of 450,000 shares by J. Scoroposki. Pursuant to a stock contribution agreement dated Dec. 5, 1989, J. Scoroposki agreed to deposit into escrow an aggregate of 372,000 shares for employee options granted by certain companies controlled by J. Scoroposki. The options are generally exercisable for three years and at $1.34 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J. Scoroposki sold 175,000 shares on May 1, 1990 for $.0036 per share.

PURPOSE:

Filing of registration statement covering the sale of shares by J. Scoroposki.

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#90250c0028 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

NEWELL CO OWNS 584,800 SHARES (8.90%) OF GOODY PRODUCTS INC (TICKER: GOOD) OF KEARNY, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Newell Co. purchased 103,200 shares from July 16 to Sept. 4, 1990 for $13.13 to $14.50 per share.

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#90250c0029 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

A.I. LEVY JR OWNS 100,000 SHARES (2.37%) OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICE INC (TICKER: HOSS) OF GALVESTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 29, 1990, A.I. Levy Jr. exercised an option to convert a $2 million promissory note from the issuer into 400,000 shares and Hornbeck repurchased 300,000 shares from A.I. Levy Jr. on Sept. 4, 1990 for $6.67 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares and exercise of option.

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#90250c0030 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY E.H. SHEA JR OWNS 211,550 SHARES (6.35%) OF MOUNTAIN MEDICAL EQUIPMENT INC (TICKER: MTN) OF DENVER, CO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

E.H. Shea Jr. purchased 22,150 shares from Aug. 31 to Sept. 5, 1990 for $4.3 to $4.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90250c0031 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY D.A. ROSOW OWNS 205,150 SHARES (9.67%) OF WESTPORT BANCORP (TICKER: WBAT) OF WESTPORT, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

D.A. Rosow purchased 43,000 shares from June 26 to Aug. 27, 1990 for $5.63

to $5.81 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90250c0032 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CWI (TICKER: CAW) announced that it has extended its tender offer from Sept. 7 to Sept. 21, 1990.

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#90250c0035 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.A. DANIELS OF 49 SHIELD DR, WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ 07675, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,700 SHARES OF TRILLING MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES IN (TICKER: BURN) THROUGH BARRETT DAY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 31, 1990.

(TRILLING MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES IN TEL: 201 507-8300)

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#90250c0036 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K. MOELLER OF 60 EAST 700 N #H, OREM, UT 84057, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN CONSOLIDATED MINING CO. THROUGH WASATCH STOCK TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 31, 1990.

(AMERICAN CONSOLIDATED MINING CO. TEL: 801 785-7536)

-30- 438
#90250c0037 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.R. WAGGONER OF 286 RAMONA AVE, SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,380 SHARES OF STAAR SURGICAL CO. (TICKER: STAA) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 31, 1990.

(STAAR SURGICAL CO. TEL: 818 303-7902)

-30- 417
#90250c0038 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.A. WERTHEIM OF 30 PEBBLEWOOD PINES, CHICO, CA 95926, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL FOOD & BEVERAGE IN THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG. 31, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL FOOD & BEVERAGE IN TEL: 714 858-8800)

-30- 437
#90250c0039 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.D. PICKETT OF 16950 AVENUE DE SANTA YNEZ, PACIFIC PALISADES, CA 90272, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF MERISEL INC. (TICKER: MSEL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 4, 1990.

(MERISEL INC. TEL: 213 615-3080)

-30- 412
#90250c0040 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B.W. SMITH OF P O BOX 686, HEMPHILL, TX 75948, HAS FILED TO SELL 226,000 SHARES OF GOLDEN QUEST INC. THROUGH RCL NORTHWEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 4, 1990.

(GOLDEN QUEST INC. TEL: 509 325-7106)

-30- 387
#90250c0041 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H.F. RICHARDSON OF 866 UNITED NATIONS PLAZA, SUITE 444, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 46,250 SHARES OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MSYS) THROUGH DALLAS SECS INV CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE

SEC ON SEPT. 4, 1990.

(MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 813 576-6311)

-30- 480
#90250c0043 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELZA PAUL III OF 11801 PHOENIX NE, ALBUEQUERQUE, NM 87111, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,542 SHARES OF FIBERCHEM INC. (TICKER: FOCS) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(FIBERCHEM INC. TEL: 505 292-6901)

-30- 399
#90250c0044 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES R HEDGE OF 230 CLARK ST, KENDALLVILLE, IN 46755, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF WORTH CORP. (TICKER: WRTH) THROUGH STOCK CROSS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 30, 1990.

(WORTH CORP. TEL: 408 436-7467)

-30- 383
#90250c0045 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TRUEMAN E TRYHUS OF 501 SOUTH 7TH ST, FARGO, ND 58102, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF METROPOLITAN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: MFC) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 01, 1990.

(METROPOLITAN FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 701 293-2600)

-30- 438
#90250c0046 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT BEKOFF OF 17 NURMI DR, FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,338 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 392
#90250c0047 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HUGH A DANDRADE OF 50-I NEW ENGLAND VILLAGE AVE, SUMMIT, NJ 07901, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SCHERING-PLOUGH CORP. (TICKER: SGP) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(SCHERING-PLOUGH CORP. TEL: 201 822-7000)

-30- 427
#90250c0048 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN A BALLMER OF P O BOX 97017, 0, REDMOND, WA 98073, HAS FILED TO SELL 180,000 SHARES OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(MICROSOFT CORP. TEL: 206 882-8080)

-30- 406
#90250c0049 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID M TRAINOR OF 89 GOVERNORS HILL, WEST WARWICK, RI 02893, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH TRI-BRADLEY INVSTMNTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 435
#90250c0051 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EUGENE J SULLIVAN OF 465 MANHASSET WOODS RD, MANHASSET, NY 11030, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF BORDEN INC. (TICKER: BN) THROUGH ANDREW PECK INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(BORDEN INC. TEL: 212 573-4000)

-30- 398
#90250c0052 09/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - EDWIN J NIGHBERT OF 1725 HARRODSBURG RD, LEXINGTON, KY 40504, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. TEL: 615 385-3541)

-30- 456
#90250c0053 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT G SWEIFACH OF 1148 ARDSLEY CT, SAN JOSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 413
#90250c0054 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARJORIE A SMITH OF 4931 MARILYN DR, STE 712, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84117, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31 1990.

(GOLD STANDARD INC. TEL: 801 328-4452)

-30- 424
#90250c0055 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUG VARRIEUR OF 961 ALLEGRO LANE, APOLLO BCH, FL 33570, HAS FILED TO SELL 77,730 SHARES OF AMERICAN FRANCHISE GROUP INC. (TICKER: BUCS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(AMERICAN FRANCHISE GROUP INC. TEL: 305 563-1224)

-30- 441
#90250c0056 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY A ZAMBON OF 10260 VIKING DR, STE 100, EDEN PRAIRIE, MN 55344, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,500 SHARES OF BUFFETS INC. (TICKER: BOCB) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(BUFFETS INC. TEL: 612 942-9760)

-30- 406
#90250c0057 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUCE ALLEN OF 711 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,503 SHARES OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) THROUGH ALLEN & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 214 518-1300)

-30- 427
#90250c0059 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L MCINTIRE OF 90 LOCUST RD, WINNETKA, IL 60093, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,600 SHARES OF ADVANCED MAGNETICS INC. (TICKER: ADMG) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(ADVANCED MAGNETICS INC. TEL: 312 641-2700)

-30- 427
#90250c0060 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK F DUNCAN OF 610 WEST MAIN, HEBER SPRINGS, AR 72543, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,457 SHARES OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE (TICKER: SPCL) THROUGH STEPHENS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE TEL: 501 362-2483)

-30- 453
#90250c0061 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SEYMOUR ZWICKLER OF 146 GREENS RD, 0, HOLLYWOOD, FL 33021, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,220 SHARES OF PLASTIGONE TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GONE) THROUGH GRUNTAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(PLASTIGONE TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 305 274-1233)

-30- 439
#90250c0062 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CORY HAMASAKI OF 3503 NORRIS PLACE, ALEXANDER, VA 22305, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF AICORP INC. (TICKER: AICP) THROUGH QUICK & REILLY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(AICORP INC. TEL: 617 890-8400)

-30- 387
#90250c0063 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOANNE MEAD OF 3204 HILLDALE AVE, SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF VERITEC INC. (TICKER: VERI) THROUGH HERZOG HEINE GEDULD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(VERITEC INC. TEL: 818 407-8783)

-30- 392
#90250c0064 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK J VOTH OF 4645 163RD SE, BELLEVUE, WA 98006, HAS FILED TO SELL 62,000 SHARES OF CELEREX CORP. (TICKER: CEXY) THROUGH NATIONAL SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(CELEREX CORP. TEL: 206 623-3784)

-30- 390
#90250c0065 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY HILLMAN OF 15 GOODHART DRIVE, LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON AUG 31, 1990.

(MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 201 386-0600)

-30- 428

#90250c0067 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LOUIS M HAYNIE OF 1991 TARTAN AVE, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84108, HAS FILED TO SELL 54,000 SHARES OF RESEARCH INDUSTRIES CORP. (TICKER: REIC) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(RESEARCH INDUSTRIES CORP. TEL: 801 972-5500)

-30- 430
#90250c0068 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLAN S HOLDER OF 1646 LUGANO LANE, DEL MAR, CA 92014, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. TEL: 619 755-8281)

-30- 429
#90250c0069 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN H KREHBIEL JR OF 930 ROSEMARY RD, LAKE FOREST, IL 60045, HAS FILED TO SELL 65,000 SHARES OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX) THROUGH WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(MOLEX INC. TEL: 312 969-4550)

-30- 396
#90250c0070 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHYLLIS B INDA OF 1700 EAST BRADLEY, SHAWNEE, OK 74801, HAS FILED TO SELL 160,375 SHARES OF BARTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BART) THROUGH WILLIAM K WOODRUFF. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(BARTON INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 405 273-7660)

-30- 413
#90250c0071 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEISURE CONCEPTS INC OF 1414 AVE OF THE AMERICAS, NEW YORK, NY 10019 HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF ACTV INC. (TICKER: IATV) THROUGH ROSENKRANTZ LYON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(ACTV INC. TEL: 212 262-2570)

-30- 402
#90250c0072 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALD R JONES OF 5608 MALVEY #8, FORT WORTH, TX 76107, HAS FILED TO SELL 58,333 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7009)

-30- 397
#90250c0073 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TARRANT SERVICES INC EPS OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,110 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 214 855-4364)

-30- 416
#90250c0075 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIRK LAMAR OF 4800 COYOTE WELLS, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91362, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,700 SHARES OF NEW IMAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NIIS) THROUGH T R WINSTON & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04 1990.

(NEW IMAGE INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 818 702-0285)

-30- 427
#90250c0076 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM R GRAVES OF 43081 SCOFIELD COURT, FREMONT, CA 94539, HAS FILED TO SELL 43,572 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH

MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 418
#90250c0077 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SYLVIA C LUEDTKE OF 3900 WINDSOR, 0, DALLAS, TX 75205, HAS FILED TO SELL 43,649 SHARES OF EL CHICO CORP. (TICKER: ELCH) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(EL CHICO CORP. TEL: 214 888-8106)

-30- 401
#90250c0078 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY A STIMAC OF 15902 BRAMPTON COURT, SPRING, TX 77379, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 433-3340)

-30- 426
#90250c0079 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MILFORD TRADING LTD OF 601 WYTHE ST, SUITE 202, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314 HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(CEL-SCI CORP. TEL: 703 549-5293)

-30- 413
#90250c0080 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KARR HERBERT W EST OF 1700 N MOORE ST, ARLINGTON, VA 22209, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,000 SHARES OF CACI INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CACI) THROUGH WACHTEL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(CACI INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 703 841-7800)

-30- 426
#90250c0081 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAFFE ENERGY INC OF 1770 SKY PLACE BLVD, 0, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78216, HAS FILED TO SELL 269,875 SHARES OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(APACHE CORP. TEL: 303 837-5072)

-30- 409
#90250c0083 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM Y HARVEY OF 201 MAIN ST, SUITE 890, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,750 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 397
#90250c0084 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OCTAVIA Y HARVEY OF 2129 FOUNTAIN SQUARE DR, FORT WORTH, TX 76107, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,749 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 398
#90250c0085 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAY LUTSKY OF 4807 SOUTH ZANG WAY, MORRISON, CO 80465, HAS FILED TO SELL 55,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-7330)

-30- 407
#90250c0086 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK D OSBORN OF 405 LEXINGTON AVE, 0, NEW YORK, NY 10174, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF OSBORN COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: OSBN) THROUGH DLJ SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(OSBORN COMMUNICATIONS CORP. TEL: 212 697-2280)

-30- 435
#90250c0087 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH P RIORDAN OF P O BOX 1834, FLAGSTAFF, AZ 86002, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,500 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH SECURITY PACIFIC INVTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2400)

-30- 433
#90250c0088 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD A FORREST OF P O BOX 3453, 0, EVERGREEN, CO 80439, HAS FILED TO SELL 31,201 SHARES OF HORIZON GOLD CORP. (TICKER: HRIZ) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 05, 1990.

(HORIZON GOLD CORP. TEL: 303 239-8701)

-30- 412
#90250c0089 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAROLYN J TOBIAS OF 24301 SE 34TH PL, ISSAQUAH, WA 98027, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,250 SHARES OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(EGGHEAD INC. TEL: 206 391-6542)

-30- 398
#90250c0091 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARRY TRAMIEL OF 4 SUSAN GALE CT, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ATARI CORP. (TICKER: ATC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 05, 1990.

(ATARI CORP. TEL: 408 745-2000)

-30- 392
#90250c0092 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD A HELLER OF 11808 TAPESTRY LANE, MINNETONKA, MN 55343, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: NSCO) THROUGH CRAIG-HALLUM INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 05, 1990.

(NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 612 424-4888)

-30- 423
#90250c0093 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, A.R. RUSSO, DIR. OF DACOTAH BANK HOLDING CO. SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,557.

-30- 307
#90250c0094 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 1, 1990, W.M. LAYSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 14,700 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,314.

-30- 351
#90250c0095 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 6, 1990, R.M. STILL, DIR. OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: NPRS) BOUGHT 750,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,250.

-30- 317
#90250c0096 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, W.L. FIRESTONE, DIR. OF TEXSCAN CORP. SOLD 12,100 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175,000.

-30- 289
#90250c0097 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, SANFORD L NEUBARTH, OFFICER OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90250c0099 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MICHAEL F EICHNER, DIR. OF ALPNET INC. (TICKER: AILP), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 603,850.

-30- 305
#90250c0100 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LEWIS G COLE, DIR. OF AMETEK INC. (TICKER: AME), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90250c0101 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LEWIS G COLE, DIR. OF AMETEK INC. (TICKER: AME), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90250c0102 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, LEWIS G COLE, DIR. OF AMETEK INC. (TICKER: AME), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 287
#90250c0103 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, AMERITRUST CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERITRUST CORP.

(TICKER: AMTR), BOUGHT 212 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90250c0104 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, AMERITRUST CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERITRUST CORP. (TICKER: AMTR), SOLD 8,872 SHARES AT $14.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90250c0105 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, TED M BLECHARCZYK, OFFICER OF AMERICAN TRAVELLERS CORP. (TICKER: ATVC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 334
#90250c0107 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, HOWARD O WALKER, DIR. OF ALBA-WALDENSIAN INC. (TICKER: AWS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90250c0108 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, HOWARD O WALKER, DIR. OF ALBA-WALDENSIAN INC. (TICKER: AWS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 314
#90250c0109 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JAMES H MAYNARD, DIR. OF BB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BBTF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,220.

-30- 322
#90250c0110 09/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 03, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, DIR. OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90250c0111 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 04, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, DIR. OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90250c0112 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 04, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, DIR. OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90250c0113 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 19, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, DIR. OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90250c0115 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 17, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $14.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90250c0116 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90250c0117 09/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 23, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90250c0118 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90250c0119 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $14.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90250c0120 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 467,608.

-30- 336
#90250c0121 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90250c0123 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296

#90250c0124 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90250c0125 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90250c0126 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90250c0127 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90250c0128 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90250c0129 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298

#90250c0131 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 04, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90250c0132 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90250c0133 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90250c0134 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90250c0135 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90250c0136 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298

#90250c0137 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90250c0139 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90250c0140 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90250c0141 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90250c0142 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 397,608.

-30- 334
#90250c0143 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, IRWIN J GRUVERMAN, PRES. OF BIOTECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: BIOD), BOUGHT 13,846 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 520,101.

-30- 347
#90250c0144 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HILDEBERT F CRISTE, CHAIRMAN OF BANK MARYLAND CORP. (TICKER: BKMD), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,552.

-30- 328
#90250c0145 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 01, 1990, ROBERT P GUYTON, CHAIRMAN OF BANK SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: BKSO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90250c0147 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ROBERT P GUYTON, CHAIRMAN OF BANK SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: BKSO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,301.

-30- 329
#90250c0148 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, LEONARD L DRURY, DIR. OF BUSINESSLAND INC. (TICKER: BLI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 309
#90250c0149 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM H BRENTON, DIR. OF BRENTON BANKS INC. (TICKER: BRBK), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $14.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 362,342.

-30- 316
#90250c0150 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 26, 1989, WILLIAM E RAPP, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CFER), SOLD 2,333 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90250c0151 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 28, 1989, WILLIAM E RAPP, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CFER), SOLD 4,334 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,833.

-30- 349
#90250c0152 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 28, 1989, WILLIAM E RAPP, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CFER), SOLD 1,667 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,499.

-30- 351
#90250c0153 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT L CONDON, VP OF COMERICA INC. (TICKER: CMCA), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,578.

-30- 299
#90250c0155 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LEONARD B BUTLER, VP OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 2,047 SHARES AT $78.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 331
#90250c0156 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PETER J JONAS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DICEON ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: DICN), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 610,000.

-30- 348
#90250c0157 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ROLAND G MATTHEWS, CHAIRMAN OF DICEON ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: DICN), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 584,730.

-30- 339
#90250c0158 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, KENNETH D SEATON, CHAIRMAN OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,671.

-30- 328
#90250c0159 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, INSTITUTIONAL VENTURE PART III, BEN. OWNER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $11.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90250c0160 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, INSTITUTIONAL VENTURE PART III, BEN. OWNER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), BOUGHT 42,500 SHARES AT $11.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90250c0161 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, INSTITUTIONAL VENTURE PART III, BEN. OWNER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $10.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90250c0163 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, INSTITUTIONAL VENTURE PART III, BEN. OWNER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90250c0164 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, INSTITUTIONAL VENTURE PART III, BEN. OWNER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90250c0165 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, INSTITUTIONAL VENTURE PART III, BEN. OWNER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90250c0166 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, INSTITUTIONAL VENTURE PART III, BEN. OWNER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $9.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90250c0167 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, INSTITUTIONAL VENTURE PART III, BEN. OWNER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,000.

-30- 352
#90250c0168 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WALTER G KNESTRICK, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 335
#90250c0169 09/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, MICHAEL DENTON JR, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FCOB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90250c0171 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, J TERRENCE MURRAY, CHAIRMAN OF FLEET/NORSTAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FNG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,354.

-30- 355
#90250c0172 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, A JAMES FREEMAN, DIR. OF FERRO CORP. (TICKER: FOE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,400.

-30- 296
#90250c0173 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LARRY B SHELTON, PRES. OF GENESCO INC. (TICKER: GCO), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90250c0174 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LARRY B SHELTON, PRES. OF GENESCO INC. (TICKER: GCO), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,262.

-30- 302
#90250c0175 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM S WIRE II, CHAIRMAN OF GENESCO INC. (TICKER: GCO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 307
#90250c0176 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, YARON EITAN, PRES. OF GEOTEK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GOTK), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90250c0177 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, YARON EITAN, PRES. OF GEOTEK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GOTK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124,000.

-30- 305
#90250c0179 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, COLIN F KAISER, PRES. OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90250c0180 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, COLIN F KAISER, PRES. OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $1.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,000.

-30- 302
#90250c0181 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JACK L HECKEL, PRES. OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 301
#90250c0182 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOHN C BIEGLER, DIR. OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $34.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,150.

-30- 322
#90250c0183 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DONALD C CLARK, CHAIRMAN OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $34.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90250c0184 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DONALD C CLARK, CHAIRMAN OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 93,700.

-30- 329
#90250c0185 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, EDWIN P HOFFMAN, PRES. OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $32.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 325
#90250c0187 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STEVEN L DURBIN, OFFICER OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM), SOLD 1,610 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90250c0188 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, GARY W METCALF, DIV. OFFICER OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM), SOLD 2,600 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 276

#90250c0189 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, GARY W METCALF, DIV. OFFICER OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM), SOLD 12,230 SHARES AT $44.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90250c0190 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LARRY H MONTGOMERY, DIV. OFFICER OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $44.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,004.

-30- 319
#90250c0191 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN H ABELES, CHAIRMAN OF I-FLOW CORP. (TICKER: IFLO), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $0.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 464,323.

-30- 308
#90250c0192 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JAMES HITCHIN, PRES. OF INFRASONICS INC. (TICKER: IFRA), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,157,696.

-30- 328
#90250c0193 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ARCH B GILBERT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERWEST MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: IMCO), BOUGHT 150,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,334,000.

-30- 352
#90250c0195 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 04, 1986, MARGARET C BECHER, SHAREHOLDER OF INACOMP COMPUTER

CENTERS INC. (TICKER: INAC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90250c0196 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DAVID E PERTL, VP OF JB'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: JBBB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

-30- 312
#90250c0197 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, AUSTIN LIST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JII), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90250c0198 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, AUSTIN LIST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JII), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90250c0199 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, AUSTIN LIST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JII), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90250c0200 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, AUSTIN LIST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JII), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90250c0201 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, AUSTIN LIST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JII), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90250c0203 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, AUSTIN LIST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JII), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 330
#90250c0204 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, STEPHEN C JOHNSON, PRES. OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90250c0205 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, STEPHEN C JOHNSON, PRES. OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $13.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,683.

-30- 303
#90250c0206 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 09, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 32,199 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 356
#90250c0207 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 12, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 354
#90250c0208 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 20, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 11,400 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 356
#90250c0209 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 20, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $1.11 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,566,116.

-30- 393
#90250c0211 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 30, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 354
#90250c0212 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 30, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 564,647.

-30- 393
#90250c0213 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 02, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 11,500 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 356
#90250c0214 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 5,200 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 354
#90250c0215 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 04, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 354
#90250c0216 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 04, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 354
#90250c0217 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 05, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 9,500 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 354
#90250c0219 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 11, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 354
#90250c0220 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 12, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 17,500 SHARES AT $7.63

PER SHARE.

-30- 356
#90250c0221 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 16, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 354
#90250c0222 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 16, 1990, FRANCIS M WILLIAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SVC CORP. (TICKER: KVN), SOLD 32,500 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 465,946.

-30- 395
#90250c0223 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, DAVID F BANKS, DIR. OF LABARGE INC. (TICKER: LB), SOLD 4,600 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90250c0224 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, DAVID F BANKS, DIR. OF LABARGE INC. (TICKER: LB), SOLD 6,200 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 189,200.

-30- 294
#90250c0225 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, DARRELL J LOWRANCE, PRES. OF LOWRANCE ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: LEIX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,409,374.

-30- 338
#90250c0227 09/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, CAROL R GOLDBERG, DIR. OF LOTUS DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: LOTS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 326
#90250c0228 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WENDELL R EMERINE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,519.

-30- 295
#90250c0229 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT J DORAN, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 13,498 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,560.

-30- 313
#90250c0230 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES S KUHN, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90250c0231 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JAMES S KUHN, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 1,928 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,492.

-30- 307
#90250c0232 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PETER S KNOX III, BEN. OWNER OF MERRY LAND & INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: MERY), BOUGHT 240,674 SHARES AT $3.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,854,451.

-30- 351
#90250c0233 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SIDNEY E FORBES, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90250c0235 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DEAN E RICHARDSON, DIR. OF MANUFACTURERS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNTL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,660.

-30- 335
#90250c0236 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GEORGE R IRELAND, VP OF MINVEN GOLD CORP. (TICKER: MVG), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 308
#90250c0237 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT K ANDERSON, AFFILIATED PERSON OF NEW ENGLAND CRITICAL CARE INC. (TICKER: NECC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $26.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 170,430.

-30- 372
#90250c0238 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PATRICK S SMITH, AFFILIATED PERSON OF NEW ENGLAND CRITICAL CARE INC. (TICKER: NECC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175,050.

-30- 364
#90250c0239 09/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MARTIN M POLLAK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90250c0240 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MARTIN M POLLAK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90250c0241 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MARTIN M POLLAK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90250c0243 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MARTIN M POLLAK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90250c0244 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MARTIN M POLLAK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90250c0245 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MARTIN M POLLAK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 215,817.

-30- 363

#90250c0246 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, D JEFFREY BADDELEY, OFFICER OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 326
#90250c0247 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WILLIAM T WEYERHAEUSER, DIR. OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $40.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,069.

-30- 318
#90250c0248 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RICHARD W RICE, OFFICER OF PHELPS DODGE CORP. (TICKER: PD), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $60.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 445.

-30- 309
#90250c0249 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DURK I JAGER, VP OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $81.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,790.

-30- 307
#90250c0251 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DARREL M REED, OFFICER OF PLAINS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: PLP), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $34.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,482.

-30- 317
#90250c0252 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM C FINNEGAN, VP OF RYAN, BECK & CO. (TICKER: RBCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90250c0253 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WILLIAM C FINNEGAN, VP OF RYAN, BECK & CO. (TICKER: RBCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 312
#90250c0254 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, J PATRICK MALEY, DIR. OF REPAP ENTERPRISES CORP. INC. (TICKER: RPAP), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $6.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90250c0255 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, J PATRICK MALEY, DIR. OF REPAP ENTERPRISES CORP. INC. (TICKER: RPAP), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90250c0256 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J PATRICK MALEY, DIR. OF REPAP ENTERPRISES CORP. INC. (TICKER: RPAP), SOLD 32,500 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90250c0257 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J PATRICK MALEY, DIR. OF REPAP ENTERPRISES CORP. INC. (TICKER: RPAP), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90250c0259 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, J PATRICK MALEY, DIR. OF REPAP ENTERPRISES CORP. INC. (TICKER: RPAP), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 223,000.

-30- 325
#90250c0260 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, J PATRICK MALEY, DIR. OF REPAP ENTERPRISES CORP. INC. (TICKER: RPAP), SOLD 223,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90250c0261 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GEORGE S PETTY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REPAP ENTERPRISES CORP.,INC. (TICKER: RPAP), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90250c0262 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GEORGE S PETTY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REPAP ENTERPRISES CORP.,INC. (TICKER: RPAP), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 218,300.

-30- 373
#90250c0263 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RULON JENSON, DIR. OF TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: RRRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 309
#90250c0264 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ALBERT V CASEY, DIR. OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 312
#90250c0265 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANDREW R BRODHUM, PRES. OF SECURITY BANCORP INC.(MI) (TICKER: SECB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 331
#90250c0267 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WALTER WOLPIN, DIR. OF SECURITY BANCORP INC.(MI) (TICKER: SECB), SOLD 3,562 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90250c0268 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WALTER WOLPIN, DIR. OF SECURITY BANCORP INC.(MI) (TICKER: SECB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 325
#90250c0269 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MERVYN K COX, DIR. OF SKYWEST INC. (TICKER: SKYW), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 293,827.

-30- 293
#90250c0270 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES A SKIDMORE JR, CHAIRMAN OF SCIENCE MANAGEMENT CORP. (TICKER: SMG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90250c0271 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES A SKIDMORE JR, CHAIRMAN OF SCIENCE MANAGEMENT CORP. (TICKER: SMG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 278,620.

-30- 340
#90250c0272 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JAMES J GLASSER, DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90250c0273 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JAMES J GLASSER, DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 318
#90250c0275 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ARTHUR A HABERBERGER, DIR. OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 15,200 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,325.

-30- 335
#90250c0276 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, LOU A EDWARDS, DIR. OF SWIFT TRANSPORTATION INC. (TICKER: SWFT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90250c0277 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, LOU A EDWARDS, DIR. OF SWIFT TRANSPORTATION INC. (TICKER: SWFT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290

#90250c0278 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LOU A EDWARDS, DIR. OF SWIFT TRANSPORTATION INC. (TICKER: SWFT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 329
#90250c0279 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL N STEINFELD, DIR. OF SHELBY WILLIAMS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SY), BOUGHT 43,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90250c0280 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PAUL N STEINFELD, DIR. OF SHELBY WILLIAMS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SY), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 497,398.

-30- 332
#90250c0281 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EDWARD B MARKS, DIR. OF T/SF COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: TCM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90250c0283 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, DAVID C GARRETT JR, DIR. OF THE TRAVELERS CORP. (TICKER: TIC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 312
#90250c0284 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, STEPHEN H PANEYKO, VP OF UJB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UJB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 50,698.

-30- 312
#90250c0285 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROBERT C MOORE, VP OF VALID LOGIC SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: VLID), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 318
#90250c0286 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PHILIP J DION, CHAIRMAN OF WEBB (DEL) CORP. (TICKER: WBB), BOUGHT 9,500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 82,800.

-30- 312
#90250c0287 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN A SPENCER, VP OF WEBB (DEL) CORP. (TICKER: WBB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,450.

-30- 304
#90250c0288 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, THEODORE DIMITRIOU, CHAIRMAN OF WALLACE COMPUTER SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WCS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 137,047.

-30- 341
#90250c0289 09/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT A ROSE, DIR. OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC. (TICKER: WHLS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 275

#90250d3270 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 7) - Steel producers' profits have slumped since the start of the year, despite substantial production increases, the China Daily reported Friday.

From January to August, steel production in China -- the fourth biggest steel producer in the world -- grew by 8.9 percent, compared to the same period in 1989, to 42.79 million tons, the English-language newspaper said.

However, the profits of the biggest state-owned steelmakers plummeted 26.7 percent in the first seven months of the year -- figures for August are not available -- an official from the Ministry of Metallurgical Industry said.

He said nine major state-owned steelmakers had been losing money since the start of the year, against three at the same period in 1989.

The profit fall was blamed on slower growth caused by the austerity programme in place since the end of 1988, and by a substantial rise in production costs, the newspaper said.

In the first eight months of 1990, supply exceeded demand for the first time in 10 years, it said, adding that the production rise was due to improved supplies of coal, electricity and iron ore.

If steel production followed current trends, China could produce 64 million tons (70.4 million tons) of steel this year, against 61 million tons (67.1 million tons) in 1989, the newspaper said.

-30- 1526

#90250d3350 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 7) - The ANZ Banking Group Friday said it will cut its prime interest rate 0.25 percentage points to 17 percent from Monday.

The decrease brings the rate the ANZ charges its best corporate customers in line with that of the Commonwealth Bank and the National Australia Bank.

Australia's largest bank, Westpac Banking Corp., still has its prime rate set at 17.5 percent.

The announcement came a day after a surge in the unemployment rate, from 6.9 percent in July to 7.3 percent in August, sparked speculation that Canberra would ease its tight monetary policy to avoid plunging the economy into recession.

-30- 832

#90250d3360 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 7) - Philippine gross domestic product (GDP) growth fell to 2.69 percent in the first half of 1990 from 5.76 percent a year before, due largely to a drought and power shortages, the government planning agency said Friday.

The National Economic Development Authority (NEDA) said all major economic sectors suffered, noting that the growth in GDP, which measures a country's output of goods and services, was only slightly above the annual population increase of 2.31 percent.

The NEDA said the first-semester figures showed the agriculture, fisheries and forestry sector growing by only 0.17 percent.

Industry, which set the pace for growth in earlier years, expanded by only 3.64 percent and manufacturing by only 2.83 percent because of the severe power shortage that caused daily power cuts in Manila at the beginning of the year.

Gross national product (GNP), which includes GDP plus the foreign exchange earned mostly by an estimated one million Filipino workers abroad, also declined in the first semester to 3.4 percent from 5.43 percent in the same period in 1989, it said.

The Philippine economy is in for further shocks in the second semester of 1990 because of the Gulf crisis and a devastating earthquake in July.

-30- 1448

#90250d3380 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SUVA (SEPT. 7) - The Reserve Bank of Fiji expects the country's trade deficit to reach a record 344 million Fijian dollars (254 million U.S.) this year, despite a 20 percent projected increase in exports.

The bank's deputy governor, Hari Pal Singh, told the Australia-Fiji Business council here that it was "important to safeguard Fiji's foreign reserves -- currently 400 million dollars (284 million U.S) -- since its exports base is small compared to its imports."

Sugar exports this year are expected to reach 230 million U.S. dollars, Mr. Singh said, while sales of gold, fish, timber and garments would take total exports to 451 million U.S. dollars.

Australia absorbs 25 percent of exports from Fiji, whose other large markets are New Zealand and Britain.

Imports in 1990 are projected at 1,110 million dollars (781 million U.S.) with Australia supplying 31 percent, followed by New Zealand and Japan.

-30- 1084
#90250d3390 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Tokyo (SEPT. 7) - Japan Friday decided to give additional aid of 12 million dollars to help relief activities for Asian refugees in the Gulf.

The new aid pledge followed a one-billion-dollar contribution promised by Tokyo August 30 to the U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the Gulf region.

The money is to be used to help Asian migrant workers mainly from Bangladesh, the Philippines, Pakistan and Sri Lanka, return to their home countries from Jordan and other Gulf nations.

-30- 675
#90250d3410 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 7) - In an audience with Japanese Emperor Akihito, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze invited Akihito to visit the Soviet Union, imperial palace sources said Friday.

During half-hour meeting, Shevardnadze said the Kremlin intended to have Anatoly Lukyanov, Chairman of the Supreme Soviet, attend the emperor's coronation on November 12.

Shevardnadze was also quoted as saying he was able to discuss ''unsettled problems'' with Japanese leaders during his visit and the talks were ''useful''.

Although not specified, among such ''problems'' was believed to be that of a return to Japanese rule of the Kurile islands north of Japan, occupied by the Soviets at the end of World War II.

-30- 905
#90250d3440 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (SEPT. 7) - A North Korean delegation headed by Prime Minister Yon Hyong Muk Friday ended a four-day visit to Seoul - the first official visit to South Korea by a Pyongyang deputation.

A spokesman for the North Koreans said the historic visit had brought relations ''a big step forwards'' between the two Koreas, which have been divided since the end of World War Ii.

While the talks saw no major breakthrough, agreement was reached to negotiate on the issue of a common seat at the United Nations, and on enabling relatives north and south to visit each other.

Other ''important points on the road to reunification'', as both sides called them, would be discussed at a follow-up meeting of the two prime ministers in Pyongyang in mid-October.

On the agenda would be disarmament, developing economic contacts, and changing South Korera's tough laws forbidding its citizens from visiting North Korea.

-30- 1089

#90250d3600 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Jerusalem (SEPT. 7) - Israeli secret service agents have arrested over 90 Palestinians in what security sources termed Friday one of the biggest crackdowns on underground organisations since the start of the intifada almost three years ago.

The arrests were made in recent weeks and were claimed to have ruptured two of the biggest Palestinian nderground organisations in the occupied West Bank.

One regional organisation contained 90 members, was affiliated to the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine headed by Na'if Hawatme, and had large amounts of explosives, security sources said.

-30- 781

#90250d3710 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 7) - Typhoon Cecil killed 35 people and left 42 missing when it pounded the city of Wenzhou on Tuesday, the China News Service (CNS) reported Friday.

Cecil, the 17th typhoon to hit the Chinese coast this year and the third in as many weeks, destroyed thousands of houses and flooded large areas of farmland, CNS said.

It said officials feared the final toll would be much higher, and that a new warning signal had been hoisted with the approach of Typhoon Dot.

Wenzhou is in the southeastern province of Zhejiang, which was hit by typhoons Yancy on August 20 and Abe between August 31 and September 3.

Yancy claimed 101 lives and seriously injured 546, while Abe, the worst tropical cyclone to hit China in 34 years, left 108 dead, 40 missing and 850 injured, according to official figures.

-30- 1002

#90250d3810 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT ADELAIDE, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 7) - Australia Submarine Corp. (ASC) is about to launch a commercial push in Canada and has its eyes on Southeast Asia as a potential market to carry it into the 21st century.

ASC's corporate affairs manager, Ross Milton, said that submarine builders should in the future also regard aircraft manufacturers as potential clients.

"We are acquiring a unique expertise in the management of complex, multi-purpose machines and there is no reason in the wide world why we should not be building modules for airplanes or spacecraft," he said.

ASC is gaining its expertise in a grey hangar on the banks of Adelaide's Port River, where it is assembling Australia's new submarine fleet.

A private company partly owned by Kockums of Sweden, ASC was set up to bid for the four-billion dollar (3.2 billion U.S.) contract signed in June 1987 for six diesel-electric boats.

But, Mr. Milton said, "we no longer see ourselves as a single-project company. We are beginning to court the Canadian navy and are setting up an office in Ottawa next month."

The commercial push will involve Rockwell Ship Systems Australia, a subsidiary of the U.S. firm Rockwell International which designs and supplies the weapons system for the submarines under subcontract to ASC.

Kockums, the Swedish navy's submarine design authority, "have ambitions," Mr. Milton added, and "we see ourselves as something of a base for them on the other side of the world."

Swedish designers, he said, are trying to reduce what they call a submarine's "indiscretion ratio," the proportion of time it has to spend on the surface.

Nuclear-powered submarines can remain submerged for longer than diesel-electric boats, which must recharge their batteries.

The Swedish navy, however, has already commissioned one submarine with a new kind of engine, the Stirling V4-275R, which can remain under water for longer than conventional boats.

"Diesel-electric submarines are a growth business," Mr. Milton said, pointing out that Sweden and West Germany were among the 40-odd countries which preferred them to the nuclear-powered boats favoured by France and the United States.

"It's assumed by the submarine community that Canada will revert to diesel-electric submarines," he said.

According to Canadian officials in Canberra, Canada's submarine fleet already comprises three diesel-electric, Oberon-class boats, similar to those in commission in Australia.

Australia's six O-boats, the country's first submarines, were bought from Britain in the 1960's and 1970's and Australia has relied exclusively on British maintenance.

The Australian navy has not decided which company will refit its 2,500-tonne Collins-class boats, the first of which is due to hit the slipway in August 1993.

But while ASC seems an obvious choice, "refits would not be enough to sustain the company," Mr. Milton said.

Apart from Canada, ASC regards Indonesia, Malaysia, South Korea, Taiwan and Thailand as potential customers, although it is not yet at the negotiating stage.

For several years at least, any submarines on offer will be Swedish-designed. Although the contract specifies that 70 per cent of the Collins-class boats must be Australian -- except their weapons systems, which have 45 per cent local content -- Mr. Milton said "we are really assemblers of submarines."

The estuarine plain where welders are working on the first two submarine hulls lies a couple of miles from Gillman, designated by the South Australian government as the site for the Multi-Function Polis (MFP), popularly known as Australia's "science city of the future".

Mr. Milton sees ASC as "potentially an element" of the MFP, where the government wants to see new industries and research institutes as the focal points of interlinked villages.

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JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 7) - Amgold, the investment company in the Anglo American stable, has seen its earnings for the six months to August plummet 38 percent to 100.9 million rand (39.3 million dollars), according to figures released here.

The directors of the company, which has gold interests in South Africa, South America, Australia and the Far East, attributed the poor interim showing to sharply reduced dividend distribution from gold mining

companies.

The reduced earnings resulted in a 38 percent fall in the interim dividend per share to 400 cents (156 U.S. cents).

Amgold attributed the continued fall in mine profit margins to inflation-driven increases in working costs and a continued low gold price.

In a statement, Amgold's directors said that during the first six months of 1990, the gold price averaged 386 dollars an ounce, only 0.5 percent higher than the average price of 384 dollars an ounce in the previous half year.

Steps being taken to respond to "these adverse circumstances" include curtailment of capital expenditure, retrenchment programmes, elimination of non-essential costs, increased hedging operations and reduction in mining of lower grade ore.

"The results for the second half of the financial year will depend largely on the prevailing rand gold price and the extent to which costs can be maintained," the statement said.

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#90250d3950 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 7) - Fourteen Japanese commercial banks, including three long-term credit banks, announced Friday they will raise their short-term prime lending rate effective September 12.

The new rate will be increased by 0.625 percent to 8 percent from the current 7.375 percent. The short-term rate is what commercial banks charge on one year short-term loans to their most creditworthy customers.

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#90250d4010 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SOFIA (SEPT. 7P) - Bulgaria is to ration electricity to both industry and private households in the coming winter, the Semja newspaper on Friday quoted an energy agency official as saying.

Industry will see its supply cut by between 10 and 20 percent under the measure, which will cover the whole country without exceptions.

The Bulgarian capital and some provincial areas have been experiencing power cuts since August 19 because of a shortage of electricity supply put at some 3,700 megawatts per day by experts.

The shortfall is due to a drought which has hit hydroelectric plants, a breakdown at the Kozloduj nuclear plant and a fall in production at other

plants.

The energy shortage has been worsened by oil supply problems due both to a reduction in Soviet deliveries and the Gulf crisis.

Bulgaria had been turning to Iraq to make up for the reduction in Soviet supplies, but this source has now also dried up because of the U.N. embargo on Iraqi oil following Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Electricity is not the only product being rationed here. Ration cards for sugar and edible oil were issued on Saturday, and other items could well join the list soon.

Queues for such items as meat, fish, pulses, shoes and soap are growing ever loner.

According to the statistics office, production in Bulgaria fell 9.4 percent in the first seven months of this year compared to the same period of 1989.

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#90250d4020 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (SEPT. 7) - Two people died and 29 were injured in an explosion at a chemical plant in Fagaras in central Romania Thursday night, hospital sources said on Friday.

The blast occurred in a part of the plant where TNT explosives were stored, causing major structural damagee to the building, according to sources at the plant contacted by telephone.

Prime Minister Petre Roman flew by helicopter to Brasov, some 60 kilometers (35 miles) from the plant, where one of three seriously injured workers was transferred, and was expected to visit the site of the accident.

Two other victims remain in Fagaras hospital, but the others were released after emergency treatment.

The cause of the accident in the plant, which produces primarily ammonia and chemical fertilizers, was not immediately known.

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#90250d4060 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 7) - A group of 250 British women and children, the largest single group of hostages to be evacuated from Kuwait and Iraq, arrived here Friday and described the horrors of life in Kuwait in recent weeks.

The latest evacuees were among more than 300 foreigners who left Kuwait

Tuesday in a special convoy for Baghdad. From there they travelled to Amman aboard an Iraqi Airways plane chartered by the British Government before being flown back to London's Gatwick airport on a British Airways flight.

The Foreign Office here said some 50 British nationals who were also in the convoy were forced to remain in Baghdad because they had not yet been issued with exit visas.

The group was expected to get the visas shortly and would hopefully be repatriated in the coming days, a spokesman said.

The latest evacuees were met at the airport by family members and recounted stories of how they had been forced to hide from Iraqi soldiers in Kuwait who were rounding up Britons.

"We hid everywhere, under water tanks, on the roof, under the stairs, everywhere," said Miriam Tyler, 29, the mother of three children also evacuated.

Another released hostage, Hanam Allahou who left her Kuwaiti husband behind, said law was breaking down in the emirate.

Iraqi forces were "looting, they are taking everything," she said.

"They are destroying the country, they are burning trees and wrecking schools with bulldozers," Mrs. Allahou added.

Deborah Hodgetts, a 25-year-old airline stewardess, described the journey from Kuwait to Baghdad in a coach driven by a drunken Iraqi who demanded money and valuables from the hostages.

"He was drunk and swaying around," she said. "He took us off to find a place for drinks. We asked him to slow down and he stopped the bus and said he was not going on until he got money and valuables," she said, adding that at times the bus was travelling at more than 200 kilometers-per-hour (115 miles-per-hour).

Another flight of 158 evacuees arrived at Gatwick airport late Thursday with a number of Irish nationals aboard. They disembarked and were flown on to Dublin, officials said.

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#90250d4070 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 7) - India accused the world on Friday of insensitivity to human suffering in the Gulf conflict and urged the United Nations to allow food and medicine to reach Iraqi-occupied Kuwait before people die of hunger.

The international community had acted quickly in imposing sanctions against Iraq for annexing Kuwait, but failed to grasp the seriousness of hardships facing civilians in the region, the government said.

The more than 100,000 Indians among the thousands of foreigners trapped in the region were suffering from the U.S.-led economic blockade, and were New Delhi's main concern, a foreign ministry spokesman said.

"But Iraqis are human beings too," the spokesman said. "If it is the claim of the world that the Iraqis are not entitled to humanitarian treatment, then it is something else."

In a strongly-worded statement issued at a special briefing to journalists here, the spokesman denied that New Delhi's asking for food to be sent could be interpreted as trying to violate U.N. sanctions on Iraq for its invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

But he said it was "inhuman to expect political objectives to be achieved by starving people."

He urged the United Nations to recognise that civilians were suffering because of the blockade and to allow food and medicine to be sent to the region.

Countries spearheading the blockade did not appear to have realised that the "situation is bad enough," the spokesman said. "When do you decide this? When children start dropping dead?

"We hope that good sense will prevail on the international community and people are not allowed to die of starvation," he said.

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#90250d4110 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STUTTGART (SEPT. 7) - The Porsche sports car company said here Friday its turnover reached almost 3.05 billion marks (1.95 billion dollars) in the 1989-90 up over 20 percent from the previous year's 2.5 billion marks.

The company said its earnings for the year ending July 31 had ''improved'' over the 1988-89 result, but did not disclose a figure. In 1988-89, Porsche reported pre-tax profits of 75 million marks, nearly double the figure of the year before.

Porsche said its turnover volume included other business activities besides car sales. The car division accounted for 2.56 billion marks of the total turnover, up from 2.14 billion marks in the 1988-89 business year.

Altogether, Porsche sales reached 31,235 cars in the 1989-90 year, up 7.6 percent from the year before.

While sales at home and in most foreign markets were strong, the United States, which had once been Porsche's chief export area, remained troublesome. The company said its U.S. sales plunged 23 percent to 7,852 cars in the year being reported.

Sales in Germany inceased 16.3 percent to 8,729, and sales to foreign markets besides the U.S. surged 29.5 percent to 14,654.

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#90250d4300 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 7) - Responsibility for registering joint ventures in the Soviet Union is to be passed from Moscow to the finance ministries of the republics in January, the TASS news agency said Friday.

"Rumours that the Soviet Finance Minister will stop registering joint ventures on Soviet territory from September 10 are unfounded," it quoted Soviet Finance Ministry official Alexander Sokolov as saying.

The finance ministry recently handed over responsibility for registering joint ventures to the republican auhorities in Armenia and the Baltic republics at their requests, and they now exercise administrative control over joint ventures in their areas, Mr. Sokolov said.

He also said that the high level of applications to register joint ventures was creating delays. Some 2,180 joint ventures had already been set up at the rate of more than 100 a month.

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#90250d4310 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (SEPT. 7) - Some 2,000 East German miners on Friday occupied mines in southern East Germany used to extract uranium for Soviet nuclear weapons, protesting over the closure of the pits as a result of German unification.

The night shift underground workers, supported by several thousand colleaques on the surface, refused to leave the mines in the Thuringen and Saxony regions, the ADN news agency said.

They were demanding retraining for other jobs, environmental measures and a plan to set up new industry in the region to compensate for the loss of thousands of jobs due to the closure.

The mines are operated by East German-Soviet concern SDAG Wismut based at

Aue in Saxony which employs 34,000 people.

West Germany and the Soviet Union have agreed that the mines, which are not competitive in terms of cost and do not conform with modern safety standards, should be closed.

SDAG Wismut, created in 1946 in what was then the Soviet-occupied zone in Germany to enable Moscow to build an atomic bomb, was shrouded in total secrecy until the beginning of this year.

It has been extracting between 3,000 and 8,000 tonnes of yellow cake a year for 34 years.

The SDAG Wismut management, union leaders and the works committee called in a joint statement for swift clarification on the company's future, ADN said.

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#90250d4350 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 7) - Japan's Daihatsu Motor Co. said Friday it would produce trucks and vans in Italy with that country's Piaggio Co. beginning 1992.

The companies plan to assemble 20,000 to 25,000 Daihatsu-developed trucks and vans per year initially at a Piaggio plant in Pisa, Daihatsu officials said.

Engines and other parts would be imported from Japan, the officials said, adding that details of the joint plan had yet to be worked out.

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#90250d4360 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 7) - Singapore's exports of computers and related products to East Europe jumped more than 12 times from a paltry 3.2 million dollars (1.8 million U.S.) in 1987 to 40 million dollars (22.7 million U.S.) in 1989, the Trade Development Board said.

Singapore will be taking part for the first time in two computer trade shows in the Soviet Union and Hungary this month and next, the board added in its Tradespur magazine.

It said that exports of personal computers surged from zero in 1988 to 25.6 million dollars (14.5 million U.S.) in 1989 and constituted more than 71 percent of the republic's computer exports to East Europe for the year.

The Soviet Union was the largest East bloc market, importing 15 million dollars' (8.5 million U.S.) worth of computer products from Singapore in

1989 and accounting for more than one-third of Singapore-made computer exports to the bloc.

The Soviet Union's imports in 1989 represented a "significant" jump of more than 48 times from 307,000 dollars (174,430 U.S.) in 1987, the board said.

Poland took up 22 percent of Singapore computer exports to Eastern Europe, buying 8.8 million dollars (five million U.S.) in 1989, up from 514,000 dollars (292,000) in 1987.

Hungary followed with 15 percent, importing just over six million dollars (3.4 million U.S.) in 1989, up from 160,000 dollars (90,900 U.S.) in 1987.

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#90250d4580 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
THE HAGUE (SEPT. 7) - Kuwait plans to sue Iraq for damage inflicted by occupying Iraqi troops, the Kuwaiti Embassy here said Friday.

A statement said Kuwait would seek "full compensation" for property "plundered, stolen, confiscated, seized or damaged by the Iraqi occupying forces".

"The state of Kuwait has fallen victim to an armed robbery executed by the military, technological and security authorities of Iraq", the statement declared.

The embassy failed to say how or in what forum Kuwait would seek redress.

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#90250d4770 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
EAST LONDON, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 7) - Senior members of the black nationalist African National Congress (ANC) and the South African Communist Party (SACP) on Friday joined attempts to resolve a strike at the Mercedes Benz South Africa (MBSA) plant here.

The National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa (NUMSA) said in a statement that Cape ANC leader Ray Mhlaba and senior SACP member John Gomomo would address striking workers Friday in an attempt to resolve the dispute.

Local NUMSA officials later confirmed that the two men were locked in day-long talks with the workers.

Production at the plant in this south coast town has been suspended since August 16 when a section of the workforce began a "sleep-in" to press demands that the company withdraw from a National Bargaining Forum backed

by NUMSA.

Despite raising ANC banners from the company's flagpoles, the strikers, at times numbering up to 800, resisted all efforts by the ANC-aligned NUMSA to talk them into leaving.

Management eventually obtained a Supreme Court order which allowed police to evict the workers on Sunday, but the plant has remained closed.

The company has said production will only resume when damage done during the strike has been repaired, NUMSA has sorted out problems over the National Bargaining Forum and has brought its hourly-paid members into line with union and management agreements.

In addition, NUMSA and management would first have to agree on a process of ratifying the sacking of sit-in strikers, and on a practical disputes procedure.

The strike has cost MBSA at least 160 million rand (62.5 million dollars) in lost production, based on management claims that it had cost 121 million rand (47.2 million dollars) in the first 13 days alone.

Management had said the strike could jeopardise the existence of the plant, with 3,000 jobs at the East London factory directly at risk along with thousands of spin-off jobs at the plant's suppliers in the town.

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#90250d4820 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 7P) - The Japanese government decided Friday to allow oil companies to raise prices in view of higher prices on the world market because of the Gulf crisis, officials said.

But the government immediately called on oil product suppliers to limit the price hikes to a minimum to forestall inflation, they said.

Suppliers are expected to increase prices of gasoline, kerosene and other oil products next week, industry sources said without specifying the expected price levels.

The International Trade and Industry Ministry will ask oil firms to make further streamlining efforts to absorb as much of the added costs as possible,
officials said.

Some of the 20 cabinet members opposed the hike saying Japan maintained crude oil stockpiles equivalent to 142 days' supply, which were built up when oil prices were at a low level, official sources said.

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#90250d4830 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOI (SEPT. 7) - Vietnam is introducing a variable taxation plan for imports and exports under which tax rates will be adjusted depending on the country's economic needs, the official daily newspaper Nhan Dan reported.

The authorities have also decided to tax spare parts and semi-finished products imported for local assembly at between 50 per cent and 70 per cent of the rate that would apply to the same products imported fully assembled, the newspaper said.

This measure is designed to increase the number of local businesses assembling goods, tax experts said.

The new variable tax plan will increase or cut taxes -- to be determined by the Council of Ministers -- to adjust prices in line with world trends or to regulate imports according to Vietnam's needs, they said.

For example, the government will be able to set a ceiling tax for rice exports -- which are in a three to 10 per cent bracket -- when international demand is heavy, or a minimum tax when the market is stagnant, experts said.

They said the new arrangements allow tax adjustments on imports depending on the country's needs -- tax increases to protect local products, and tax cuts if higher domestic demand warrants it.

Nhan Dan said the new plan would mainly affect fuel and raw material imports, which would be taxed at between 15 and 30 per cent, and electronic components and integrated circuits, which would be taxed at between zero and 15 per cent.

For exports, rice would be taxed from three per cent to 10 per cent, but coffee, tea and pepper would be taxed at one to five percent, Nhan Dan said.

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#90250d4840 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT. 7) - Tourists willing to pay 525 dollars a night will soon be able to rent the luxurious suite where former Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev used to stay in Moldavia, Tass news agency said Friday.

U.S. developer Kristianu Tomesku is to turn the Holerkan and Kodru vacation centers, which used to host top Soviet officials, into a hotel complex boasting casinos, swimming pools and tennis courts.

Apart from Mr. Brezhnev's room, prices will range from 80 to 350 dollars a night.

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#90250d5040 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 7) - British sugar group Tate and Lyle said Friday it had made an offer to buy rival British Sugar, the country's leading producer of beet sugar, from troubled commodities house Berisford International.

Berisford put British Sugar on offer in July after announcing a 41 percent drop in taxable interim profit due to a disastrous diversification into the New York property market.

Tate and Lyle had made a bid for British Sugar in 1987 but it was blocked by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission as it would give Tate and Lyle control of 95 percent of the British sugar market.

Tate and Lyle had said it was studying a new bid, but withdrew in July after the opening of a Monopolies and Mergers Commission enquiry into the move.

"We hope that an MMC enquiry can be started quickly and completed within a foreshortened timescale given the work already undertaken on the previous referral," Tate and Lyle chairman Neil Shaw said Friday.

Tate and Lyle "welcomes the opportunity to purchase British Sugar without also acquiring the non-sugar assets.

Estimates of a likely price for British Sugar range between 700 million and 1.5 billion pounds (1.3 billion and 2.8 billion dollars).

Tate and Lyle shares were down eight pence at 245 in early afternoon trading in London, while those of Berisford were up a penny at 41.

Associated British Foods (ABF), which also has its eye on British Sugar, was down 16 pence at 402.

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#90250d5080 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUJUMBURA (SEPT. 7) - Pope John Paul spent the last day of his Burundi visit at a hospital for terminally-ill AIDS patients.

The Prince Regent hospital built in l950 when Burundi was still a Belgian territory is run by the Catholic church here for seriously sick people from all over the country who have no money.

Accompanied by Bishop Simon Ntamwana, director of the hospital, the pope placed his hands on most of the 40 patients, 20 men and 20 women, ranging from a 17-year-old girl to an aged woman both on the point of death.

He told the bishop the Vatican was donating 10,000 dollars for the patients' care.

More than 3,000 cases of AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome) have been registered in Burundi, according to latest official figures, but doctors are sure many more remain undetected.

In addition, 15 per cent of the five million population is HIV-positive (is carrying the potential AIDS virus), with that figure rising to 18 per cent in the capital.

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#90250d5130 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 7) - Sixteen major Japanese commercial banks said Friday they would raise their short-term prime lending rate from 7.375 per cent to eight per cent.

The increase in the interest rate charged on loans of one year or less to the most creditworthy customers will take effect sometime next week, bank officials said.

Fuji Bank Ltd., Sumitomo Bank Ltd. and Mitsubishi Bank Ltd. were among the 16 banks.

In a bid to forestall inflation, the Bank of Japan raised its official discount rate by 0.75 percentage points to six per cent a year on August 30.

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#90250d5220 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Wiesbaden (SEPT. 7) - Strong private consumption by West Germans and the surge in new consumer spending in East Germany triggered a real 14 percent jump in retail sales turnover in July compared to the same month last year it was reported here Friday.

The Federal Office of Statistics said that for the first seven months, German retailers improved their turnover by a real 7.2 percent over the January-July 1989 period.

The office said that in July, private car sales turnover was 30 percent higher than a year ago, while consumer electronics goods turnover was 26

per- cent higher.

Catalogue mail-order companies in West Germany experienced a 28 percent rise in turnover in July due to the additional demand from East Germany, the office said.

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#90250d5230 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (SEPT. 7) - The European Economic Community (EEC) is to ask the United Nations Security Council to look at ways of beefing up the U.N. embargo against Iraq, West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said here Friday.

Mr. Genscher, speaking after a meeting of EEC foreign ministers, said that the Community wanted the Council to look at "further measures, including control of air traffic."

Press reports say that Iraq has been breaching the embargo by airlifting supplies from other Arab countries, such as Libya.

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#90250d5320 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERN (SEPT. 7) - Swiss inflation was running at 6.1 percent a year at the end of August, the Federal Statistics Office said here Friday. The announcement confirmed the provisional figure announced a week ago. The price index rose by 1.1 points in August from July, to 122.3 points, the Office said.

The announcement said that the inflation trend to the end of the year will depend, to a great extent, on trends in oil prices and rents. The latter are to be raised in November. Heating oil prices were up by 26.1 percent in August from July, and were 23.1 percent above the level of the year-earlier month.

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#90250d5330 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (SEPT. 7) - The average salary in Portugal is 67,000 escudos (480 dollars) a month, according to a survey carried out by the Employment and Social Security Ministry and released on Friday.

The study shows that a little more than seven percent of the country's four million workers get only the minimum wage of 35,000 escudos (250 dollars) - 9.5 percent of women workers and 4.8 percent of men workers.

The highest salaries are paid in the banking and insurance sectors, with a

monthly average of 112,000 escudos (800 dollars), while the building and public works sector is among the worst paid with an average monthly wage of around 45,000 escudos (322 dollars).

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#90250d5390 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 7) - The military is seeking a 19.736 billion peso (789.4 million U.S. dollars) budget for 1991, the bulk of which will be used to support personnel services, the official Philippine News Agency (PNA) said here Friday.

The PNA quoted military chief General Renato De Villa as saying that 68.29 percent of the proposed budget or 13.478 billion pesos (539.12 million dollars) would go to personnel services with 27.61 percent for maintenance and other expenses and 4.1 percent on capital outlay.

Among the priority programs of the military in 1991 are the maintenance of a force structure of 169,900 regular troops, 82,000 militiamen, 22,204 civilian employees and 11,130 reservists, PNA quoted Gen. De Villa as saying. The budget is also intended to provide for the operation and maintenance of 228 sea vessels and 140 aircraft, the PNA said.

The Philippine military, which is one of the most poorly-equipped in the region, has been accused of devoting too much of its resources to support staff and not enough on front-line troops battling a nationwide communist insurgency.

President Corazon Aquino proposed a 254.4 billion peso (10.17 billion dollar) budget for 1991 last month but congress has vowed to cut this down.

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#90250d5480 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 7) - Iraq is ready to send a television crew and a journalist to Washington to interview U.S. President George Bush, an information ministry official said here Friday.

Naji al-Hadithi, a director at the information ministry, said Iraqi television wanted to question the U.S. president "about his point of view on the different current problems."

The television crew was "ready to leave for Washington at any moment, once it has received the White House's agreement for this interview," Mr. Hadithi told Agence France-Presse.

Mr. Bush has already welcomed Baghdad's offer to address the Iraqi people directly on television, but the White House said it would record the

president's message itself and hand over the tape to the Iraqi authorities.

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#90250d5630 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 7) - The U.S.-Soviet summit Sunday in Helsinki highlights the extraordinary superpower cooperation that has emerged since the advent of perestroika, despite some differences over the Gulf crisis.

"It's a sign that times have changed, it's very pleasant to see", a senior Western diplomat here commented.

From day one of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, Washington urged Moscow to react. "In the hours that followed, Moscow announced it was halting arms deliveries to Iraq immediately, (where) normally it would have taken days to respond", the diplomat said.

President Mikhail Gorbachev had already shown his new thinking in foreign policy by facing up to the demise of communism in Eastern Europe and easing German unification.

But in the Gulf crisis, Soviet cooperation with Washington has reached such a degree that Moscow even went as far as giving the United States information on Soviet arms previously shipped to Iraq.

All was not smooth sailing. Recent articles and statements here expressed concern about the massive deployment of U.S. troops in the Gulf region "near Soviet borders".

And the continued presence of 180 Soviet military experts in Iraq following its August 2 invasion of Kuwait set off a stormy debate within the Soviet leadership, with opponents pointing to the "moral issue" at stake and calling for them to be brought home urgently.

Experts whose contracts have expired are already starting to return home, but the Kremlin, fearing Baghdad could grab the chance to default on its six billion dollar debt to the Soviets, is taking a cautious approach.

From his first public statement on the crisis August 17, Mr. Gorbachev condemned Iraq and mapped out a Soviet policy of strong action under the aegis of the U.N. Security Council, while calling for an "Arab solution".

Moscow backed the United Nations-decreed embargo against Iraq. "The Soviet attitude in the Security Council was decisive", the diplomat said, "They allowed almost unanimous votes, giving the Security Council a chance, perhaps for the first time ever, to work the way it should".

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#90250d5760 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
THE HAGUE (SEPT. 7) - Dutch consumer prices rose 0.4 percent in August over the July level, taking year on year inflation to 2.4 percent, the economy ministry said here Friday.

Retail prices rose 2.3 percent during the first eight months of this year over the same period last year. Inflation stood at 1.1 percent in 1989.

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#90250d5770 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRETORIA (SEPT. 7) - South Africa's gold and foreign reserves rose by 10 percent to 6.07 billion rand (2.35 billion dollars) in August from 5.43 billion rand (2.06 billion dollars) in July, the Reserve (central) Bank said here Friday.

The rise was mainly due to an increase of 429.8 million rand (166.7 million dollars) in foreign exchange reserves which totalled 2.75 billion rand (1.06 billion dollars) on August 31.

Gold reserves also rose - to 3.31 billion rand (1.28 billion dollars) from 3.10 billion rands (1.186 billion dollars) at end July.

The valuation of gold rose by 41.80 rand (16.2 dollars) to 905.52 rand (351.34 dollars) per fine ounce during the month of August, the bank said.

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#90250d5840 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (SEPT. 7) - South Korean newspapers gave a positive assessment Friday to the first talks between the North and South Korean prime ministers, saying they laid the foundation for rapprochement.

Dong-A Ilbo, an influential evening daily, said in an editorial that the result of the talks here was encouraging because the two sides had agreed on further discussions in Pyongyang next month.

"The first meeting was encouraging enough because of the fact that the meeting in Pyongyang was agreed upon, although it ended with the two sides agreeing that they don't agree," it said.

North Korean Prime Minister Yon Hyong-Muk returned home Friday by crossing the Demilitarized Zone with his delegation of 90, ending a four-day visit to Seoul.

Dong-A said the talks brought home the clash of ideologies and systems, although the two sides were cordial and appeared amicable during the talks.

It said the government here could not yield immediately on the North's demands - the release of dissidents arrested for visiting Pyongyang, sharing a single seat at the United Nations and an end to the annual U.S.-South Korea military exercise.

"The three conditions put forth by the North concern (South Korea's) internal affairs and diplomatic rights.... They might be gained as the result of the talks, not as pre-conditions for the talks," Dong-A said.

North Korea urged the South to accept the demands to ease confrontation between the two rivals, saying they were linked to the fate of the prime ministers' talks.

Of the three issues, South Korea agreed only to temporarily shelve its plan to join the United Nations alone.

The two sides agreed to discuss the U.N. membership issue after North Korea puts forth a proposal for joining the United Nations with a single seat.

They also agreed to urge their Red Cross societies to resume talks on reuniting families separated by the division of the Korean Peninsula into the communist North and capitalist South in 1945.

Another evening newspaper, Kukmin Ilbo, called the meetings an epochal event in solving the Korean issue.

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#90250d5860 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 7) - New Zealand was once proud of its British heritage but as Parliament closed and politicians headed for elections on October 27, its Westminister form of democracy was under attack.

Parliament closed its three-year session late Thursday, having sat for more than 2,000 hours and passed a record 587 bills since 1987.

But New Zealand's single-house, first-past-the-post political system pleases few.

Former foreign minister Russell Marshall, leaving politics next month, said he found going into the debating chamber "one of the least pleasant and most onerous duties" he had.

"I came in here certainly willing to join in confrontation with the devil incarnate on the other side and found that some of them weren't such bad people after all; some of the devils were on our side of the house," he said.

New Zealand's political forms are almost identical to Britain's, minus an upper house. But it enjoys little public respect.

Politicians have a habit of alienating themselves here. Earlier in the current term, politicians from both sides of the house moved in a late night seven-minute session to award themselves an extraordinarily generous superannuation scheme.

Last month, again late at night and again with both parties acting together, Parliament passed a law prohibiting certain political parties from advertising or from being given free air time during elections.

The rules they wrote were such that the main victims were two political parties well placed to render the greatest change to New Zealand's two-party system.

Public dissatisfaction is very evident. Various opinion polls show majority support for dumping first-past-the-post elections and replacing them with preferental voting or proportional representation.

Another indicator of lack of faith in the system is that nationwide 38 per-cent of former voters have declined to date to re-register on electoral rolls - despite it being an offense not to.

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#90250d5880 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Beijing (SEPT. 7) - Chinese Premier Li Peng called on Iraq Friday to withdraw from Kuwait ''unconditionally'' as soon as possible and enter into negotiations to resolve the Gulf crisis.

At a meeting with Iraqi First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan, Li urged Baghdad to respond to mediation efforts by Arab countries and U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

Li said China holds that any negotiations should be conducted within the framework of United Nations resolutions, which China supports, a Chinese spokesman told newsmen after the meeting.

The official did not say whether Ramadan had sought aid from China or whether Beijing had made any pledges to supply medical goods, food or other humanitarian relief to Iraq.

Li repeated the Chinese government's view that that every country's independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity should be fully respected and that countries should solve their disputes through peaceful, political ways instead of force.

China, which used to be a major arms supplier to Iraq, has supported United Naations resolutions designed to force Iraq to pull its troops our of Kuwait.

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#90250d6020 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) - A vast majority of Americans have no qualms about trusting Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev as a mediateor in the Gulf crisis, despite White House reluctance, a nationwide poll indicated Friday.

Sixty-six per cent of people surveyed by the Wall Street Journal and NBC News said they would trust Mr. Gorbachev to represent U.S. interests in peace talks with Baghdad.

Only 27 per cent said they could not trust the Soviet leader.

President George Bush, who will meet Mr. Gorbachev this Sunday in Helsinki, has said he sees no mediating role for Moscow in the Gulf crisis and believes his counterpart has no interest in playing such a role.

The president's view was shared in the survey by more women than men (40 per cent against 28 per cent), and by far more blacks than whites (66 per cent against 30 per cent).

In other issues, the poll showed that 84 per cent of Americans would back a military response to an Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia, and 74 per cent would agree to waging war on Baghdad if U.S. nationals held by Iraq come to harm.

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#90250d6140 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OTTAWA (SEPT. 7) - The Canadian unemployment rate grew 0.5 percent in August to 8.3 percent, Statistics Canada said Friday.

In seasonally adjusted figures, there were 70,000 more Canadians out of a job in an active worker pool of 14,099,000. Some 58,000 jobs were eliminated in August.

According to analysts, the August jobless rate provided additional proof that the Canadian economy was heading for a recession.

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#90250d6250 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (SEPT. 7) - Czechoslovakia will deliver several hundred thousand gas masks to countries directly threatened should chemical warfare break

out in the Gulf, the Czechoslovak news agency CTK said Friday.

The agency did not mention the names of countries targeted for delivery, but said the shipments will be made "in the coming weeks" in line with contracts signed "in recent days."

The contracts are for delivery of gas masks, rechargeable filters and special outfits for protection of children in the event of a chemical attack.

There has been fear that Iraq could use chemical weapons should fighting break out in the crisis following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Iraq has come under fire from the international community in the past for using chemical weapons against Kurdish separatists in Iraq.

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#90250d6280 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (SEPT. 7) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker met President Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahayan here Friday to seek funds from the United Arab Emirates (UAE) for operation Desert Shield and the economic blockade of Iraq.

Mr. Bush flew into the UAE capital from Saudi Arabia, where he received pledges from both the Saudi and exiled Kuwaiti governments to help defray the cost of the U.S. military deployment in the Gulf.

He has said the cost of the operation, codenamed Desert Shield, could reach six billion dollars by the end of the year.

The secretary of state has also been charged with raising funds to help compensate countries such as Egypt, Jordan and Turkey, adversely affected by the economic embargo against Iraq.

On his way to the UAE, Mr. Baker visited an air base in western Saudi Arabia, where the United States has deployed F-111 and EF-111 bombers.

The planes were kept in ultra-modern hangars, where the gates can close in 12 seconds in an emergency. An army doctor said a unit of soldiers could survive 30 days in the hangars, even if a chemical attack took place.

Mr. Baker was expected to travel on to Egypt later Friday and meet the next day with President Hosni Mubarak, before flying to Helsinki for the U.S.-Soviet summit on Sunday.

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#90250d6460 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT. 7) - Ajaokuta steel company, Africa's biggest steel project, on which Nigeria has spent about 15 billion naira (2 billion dollars), has been re-designated and its director has been retired.

The announcement was made here Friday by the minister of mines, power and steel, retired Air Vice Marshal Nura Imam.

With effect from next month, the company has been re-designated a ''project'', to be directly supervised by the ministry, he told a news conference.

The company's former director and chief executive, Tachia Jooji, has been sacked and replaced by Phillip Atanmu, former technical director of Delta Steel company, located in southern Nigeria, he said. Mr. Atanmu will be assisted by Bayo Kolade, former manager of Oshogbo steel rolling mill, he stated.

Also fired was the Managing director of the nation's electricity company (NEPA), David Adeyemi Oyeyele. He will be replaced by Hamzat Ibrahim, formerly head of the sales division of the same company, the minister added.

NEPA has been decentralised and re-organised into three autonomous divisions to enhance efficiency, the minister said.

Other new appointees announced by the minister are Abiodun Abe, director of the Delta steel Company, Olu Ojo, manager of Oshogbo steel rolling mill, Isa Ahmed Bukar, manager of the Katsina steel rolling mill, M. Sanusi, manager of the Jos steel rolling mill, Greg Iwu, director of the Nigerian coal corporation, and Usman Turaki, director of the Nigerian Mining Corporation.

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#90250d6480 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 7) - Sir David Hannay, Britain's representative to the European Economic Community, has been named to succeed Sir Crispen Tickell as British ambassador to the United Nations in New York, the Foreign Office announced Friday.

Sir David, 55, will assume his new duties Monday, the Foreign Office said.

Sir Crispin reached retirement age on August 25. He had been British ambassador to the U.N. since 1987.

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#90250d6550 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (SEPT 7) - European Economic Community (EEC) foreign ministers called Friday for the "complete implementation" of the U.N. embargo on Iraq, but pledged commitment to "historic ties of friendship" with the "whole of the Arab world", in statements here.

After a meeting, the Twelve also reaffirmed their "utter condemnation of the measures taken by the Iraqi authorities against foreign citizens in Iraq and (occupied) Kuwait" and said the EEC "will continue to react" to these "unacceptable" moves "with complete solidarity".

They "deplored" Iraq's failure to comply with United Nations Security Council Resolution 664, which calls on Baghdad to permit and facilitate the departure from Iraq and Kuwait of nationals of third countries, "despite the efforts" made by U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar when he met Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz in Amman.

The EEC ministers expressed the "urgent wish" that the U.N. "pursue its efforts and extend them to ... the diplomatic and consular representations in Kuwait by sending a mission in order to establish contact with them." Iraq no longer recognizes foreign embassies in Kuwait and has declared the emirate an Iraqi province.

The Twelve said they were "fully implementing" the military, trade and financial embargo the U.N. Security Council imposed on Iraq after its August 2 invasion of Kuwait and called "on all members of the international community to do likewise".

Some countries, notably India, have said they want to send humanitarian aid to tens of thousands of their affected nationals in the Gulf.

The EEC noted that Egypt, Jordan and Turkey were among countries "most immediately affected ... by the embargo" and said that member states have "taken a decision on the principle of extending ... short-term financial assistance to these three countries."

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#90250d6620 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 7) - Iraq renewed its warning Friday that it would deal a ''back-breaking'' blow to the United States forces in the Gulf if they attacked Iraq.

The Iraqi news agency Ina also described as ''reckless and rash'' a statement by an American commander in Saudi Arabia that U.S. forces in the Gulf could destroy Iraqi radar in ''less than five minutes'' if war broke out.

In a commentary referring to a statement Thursday by Major General Royal Moore of the U.S. Marines in Saudi Arabia, Ina said it was made to give ''untrue reassurance'' to American pilots.

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#90250d6690 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH (SEPT. 7) - The prosecutor's office Friday launched an investigation of the aerospace and arms concern Messerschmitt-Boelkow-Blohm GmbH (Mbb), which is suspected of having illegally supplied arms to Iraq.

Mbb spokesman Willi Vogler confirmed the probe, saying, ''We have nothing to hide.''

Mbb admitted having delivered about 60 helicopters to Iraq since 1978, which have been serviced by five Mbb technicians who, according to Vogler, applied to leave the country immediately after Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

The concern said it had ''no knowledge'' that about 50 of the aircraft - meant for ''connecting, rescue and Vip flights'' - had been converted into combat helicopters.

A goettingen-based organisation called the the Threatened Peoples Society has claimed that the helicopters were converted by the Spanish company Casa and the Austrian concern Denzel.

Members of the group had gained access to Mbb grounds in Hoehenkirchen near Munich on Thursday and opened a crate that the group's leader said contained spare helicopter parts addressed to the Iraqi air force.

Mbb has filed charges of trespassing and property damage against the group.

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#90250d6770 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (SEPT. 7) - Talks between the Iraqi authorities and the International Committee of the Red Cross aimed at finding a humanitarian solution to the plight of civilians caught up in the Gulf crisis have failed, ICRC president Cornelio Sommaruga announced here Friday.

The plan had been to come to the aid of Iraqi citizens as well as foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait, Mr. Sommaruga said.

Speaking on his return from a week-long mission taking him successively to Amman, Baghdad and Teheran, he said he had run up against a last-minute refusal, even though he had reached agreement with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz and top officials of his ministry.

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#90250d6840 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 7) - South Africa's liberal opposition Democratic Party on Friday elected Zacharias Johannes de Beer its leader during a party congress here.

Mr. De Beer, a 62-year-old former mining company official heading the liberal wing of the party, became party chief with 274 votes against 195 for Stephanus Sebastian van der Merwe, leader of the progressive wing.

Before the leadership vote, which ended a collegiate presidential troika,

delegates rejected a motion proposing a formal alliance with the anti-apartheid African National Congress.

The troika had consisted of Mr. De Beer, Wynand Malan, who resigned from his leadership position and parliamentary seat last month, and Denis Worrall, a former ambassador to Britain who did not stand.

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#90250d6850 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 7) - Tight availability concerns saw aluminium prices sharply higher for the third day running here Friday.

Three-months metal was quoted at 1,972 dollars per tonne in afternoon deals, against 1,950 at the close on Thursday, while cash metal went through the 2,000 dollars per ton mark to quote at 2,009 in afternoon deals against 1,970 on Thursday.

Traders said the strength the past two days was more than justified by the 9,925-ton drop in LME stocks, taking stocks at the exchange down to 126,450 tonnes, the lowest since March 1990.

Analysts pointed out that fourth-quarter consumer demand is traditionally high, and that the market is gambling on hopes that demand will not be hit by recession this year.

Other metals firmed in sympathy, with copper leading the way higher, quoting at 1,555 pounds per ton in afternoon deals against 1,540 on the ring and 1,521 on Thursday.

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#90250d6860 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 7) - The Paris Bourse eked out a small gain on Friday, but

operators said the mood was depressed, and volume did not improve.

The CAC-40 index, which opened the session with a drop of 1.12 per cent, reversed course late in the day thanks to a higher Wall Street.

The most enthusiastic trading affected Eurotunnel (300,000 shares changing hands) and Eurodisneyland (213,000).

One operator commented that "Everybody is wondering about what's going to happen to interest rates, with inflationary pressures. Only the emergence of the outline of an agreement to stop the Gulf conflict could make the market take off now".

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#90250d6870 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SIDON, LEBANON (SEPT. 7) - At least 26 people were killed and 70 wounded as rival Palestinian factions clashed Friday in the crowded Ain Helwe refugee camp near this port city in south Lebanon, hospital officials said.

Members of PLO leader Yasser Arafat's group Fatah drove out rival fighters of the Fatah Revolutionary Council (FRC) in a three-hour battle, Palestinian sources said.

The FRC of Palestinian extremist Abu Nidal regrouped on hillsides outside the camp and shelled Ain Helwe as well as several districts of Sidon.

Civilians in Ain Helwe, which is home to 150,000 Palestinian refugees, fled for cover as fighters clashed earlier inside the camp with heavy mortars, anti-aircraft guns and rockets.

Black smoke hung over the camp, where 500 pro-Arafat fighters were deployed on August 30 after the assassination of two Fatah members. Around 20 FRC members were rounded up after the killings.

Fatah, a mainstream group within the Palestine Liberation Organisation, and the anti-Arafat FRC have been at odds since 1974.

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#90250d6880 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT. 7) - Saudi and Kuwaiti officials pledged Friday to help pay for the cost of U.S. forces in the Gulf, as Secretary of State James Baker sought to muster support for any possible military showdown with Iraq.

Mr. Baker and his hosts in Saudi Arabia ruled out any compromise with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein for his invasion and annexation of Kuwait at the

beginning of last month.

"We will not spare any amount or any value," the ousted Emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, declared. "We hope our return will take place soon," he said after meeting Mr. Baker in the Saudi resort of Taif.

Mr. Baker is also seeking a financial contribution from the United Arab Emirates, to which he later flew.

He has said the cost of the U.S. operation, codenamed Desert Shield, could reach six billion dollars by the end of the year.

In London, the British government secured cross-party approval for its decision to send soldiers to the Gulf. It said more forces were needed there and stressed that no future mission for them could be ruled out.

Defence Secretary Tom King said ending the crisis through non-military means remained London's first priority, but he sensed "complete agreement" in parliament that Iraq's takeover of Kuwait must not go unchecked.

Meeting in Rome, foreign ministers of the European Economic Community states agreed Friday to ask the United Nations to tighten its embargo against Iraq to include air traffic, diplomats said.

The 12 also decided to provide "considerable" emergency and medium-term aid for Jordan, Egypt and Turkey whose economies have been sorely hit by the Gulf crisis, an Italian spokesman said.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said the aid would be about two billion dollars.

The aid was part of a total of some nine billion to be offered the three countries by the end of next year. The EEC assumed Arab countries would provide the balance, or about 65 per cent.

West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said the community would call on the U.N. Security Council to consider "further measures" to tighten the embargo including "control of air traffic".

Iraq has reportedly been breaching the blockade of seaborne traffic with airflits from friendly Arab countries such as Libya.

The EEC foreign ministers also agreed Friday on the principle of a joint declaration with the Soviet Union on the Gulf crisis, Mr. Dumas said.

Meanwhile also drumming up financial and political support for Washington's military effort in the Gulf was U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady, who arrived in Tokyo Friday via South Korea, after visits to London and Paris.

Also in Tokyo, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze again suggested the holding of an international conference to deal with the Middle East and the Gulf crisis.

Earlier, President George Bush said he welcomed a chance to address Iraqis directly and explain why the United States has sent thousands of troops to Saudi Arabia and imposed a naval blockade against Iraq.

"We Americans should make something very clear -- our argument is not with the people of Iraq," Mr. Bush told a rally of his Republican party in Tallahassee, Florida on Thursday.

"Rather it is with Iraq's dictator who uses innocent travellers as shields, who now, in direct contravention of international law, holds hostage civilians from many countries," he said.

Many thousands of foreigners who were working in Iraq and Kuwait have been caught up in the Gulf crisis. Hundreds, especially from Western countries, have been coming out in batches thanks to special evacuation operations.

But tens of thousands more, many of them Asians, remain trapped, notably in hastily erected refugee camps in Jordan where food and drink is in short supply and the weather very hot and dry.

An Indian foreign ministry spokesman said the international community had acted quickly in imposing sanctions against Iraq, but had caused serious shortages of food and medical supplies.

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#90250d6940 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA (SEPT 7) - The United States has been ordered to pay more than 770,000 dollars in damages to a man whose arm was bitten off by an alligator as he swam in a public pond in Alabama's Conecuh National Forest.

A federal judge, in a ruling made public Thursday, awarded more than 650,000 dollars to Kermit George for his pain and suffering, along with compensation for medical costs and other damages, that resulted from the attack by a 225-kilogram (500-pound), 3.5-meter (11.5-foot) alligator.

In an April ruling, the judge found the U.S. Forest Service had received complaints about alligators in the Conecuh forest but had failed to post warning signs.

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#90250d6960 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (SEPT. 7) - The European Economic Community (EEC) on Friday decided "to consider a normalisation of relations with Syria," in response to Syrian support of the international action against Iraq, French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said here.

"In a second phase," there would be normalisation with Iran, he said after a meeting of EEC foreign ministers.

British junior foreign minister William Waldegrave, meanwhile, said Britain on Friday lifted its veto of a plan to provide EEC investment aid for Syria.

This should open the way to Syria getting around 150 million European currency Units (ECUs) (180 million dollars) in aid under the investment protocol, which has been blocked since 1986, he said.

Britain imposed its veto and broke off diplomatic ties with Damascus after a Palestinian group, which it accused of being sponsored by Syria, tried to bomb an Israeli airliner at London's Heathrow Airport.

Mr. Waldegrave, explaining the decision, said: "We think that the time has now come to respond to clear indications from Syria, to begin to signal to her that we recognise the stand she has taken over this issue, this principled stand, which puts her alongside the majority in the international community."

Syria, Iraq's neighbour to the northwest and a fellow member of the Arab League, has supported the United Nations embargo and sent a contingent of troops to Saudi Arabia alongside other international forces.

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#90250d6990 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (SEPT. 7) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

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Lead 454.00 (463.50) 456.50 (463.50)
Zinc Sh 1,607.50 (1,572.50) 1,506.00 (1,492.50)
Tin 5,795.00 (5,780.00) 5,907.50 (5,895.00)
Aluminium 2,007.00 (1,969.00) 1,971.00 (1,949.00)
Nickel 11,150.00 (10,950.00) 10,875.00 (10,812.00)

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#90250d7080 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 7) - North Sea Brent crude oil for October delivery dropped here Friday on the physical market, trading at 30.45 dollars a barrel in the late afternoon against the Thursday closing level of 30.90 dollars.

Brent had opened the session with a marked increase, approaching the 32-dollar mark at 31.85 dollars a barrel. On the spot market, Brent even reached 33 dollars before coming back down.

Kleinwort Benson oil analyst Medhi Varzi commented that Brent "went so high so fast" that it should calm down now.

The market was very firm in Asia overnight, and "oil went up on rumors of a coup against Saddam Hussein (president of Iraq) that were never confirmed " he said.

Other unconfirmed rumors had 15,000 Soviet soldiers being sent to Saudi Arabia, which sent October Brent down to as low as 29.50 dollars in the afternoon, but it then went back up.

Mr. Varzi said the oil market risks remaining very volatile next week, reacting nervously to "any news or non-news" from the Gulf.

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#90250d7090 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (SEPT 7) - A rocket attack on the Afghan capital Kabul on Friday killed two people and injured four, according to a report on Afghan official radio monitored in Islamabad.

A total of eight rockets fired by Afghan resistance guerrillas hit the capital, the radio said.

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#90250d7100 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (SEPT. 7) - More than 7,000 shopkeepers went on strike Thursday in Nusaybin, along Turkey's southern border with Iraq, demanding that the authorities release the bodies of three Kurdish separatists killed in a clash three days earlier, officials said Friday.

However, a local deputy police chief said businesses in the city of more than 70,000 near the Iraqi border had closed because of the Gulf crisis, not because of the bodies.

Police arrested 80 people after the day of protest, most of them shop owners who had refused to open up that day.

Local reporters said several shops were forced open and had their locks and iron shutters broken while police prevented photographers from taking pictures of the closed stores and confiscated their film.

Police tightened security there as well as in Cizre, Silopi and Sirnak, also near the Iraqi border, where armed Kurdish militants are said to be active.

The region, which lies along the ancient silk route now used to transport oil, has suffered badly from the five-week-old Gulf crisis sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Many of the stores that shut Thursday are attached to service stations hit by the halt in traffic from Iraq and many of the already poor people who live in the mainly Kurdish region have been laid off temporarily because of the crisis.

Some of the local population have also accused police of "human rights violations", according to a local official.

However, journalists in Nusaybin said militants of the Kurdish Marxist party PKK, which has waged an armed struggle for Kurdish independence since 1984, had "encouraged" local businesses to close and to demand the bodies of the slain militants.

Similar strikes were held after six people were killed in March during large demonstrations here and in Cizre, held during the funerals of slain separatists.

Authorities afterwards banned the strikes.

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#90250d7160 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 7) - Michael Forsyth, one of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's most ardent supporters, quit Friday as chairman of the Conservative Party in Scotland but in a surprise move was instantly promoted to a post as government minister in the environment department.

Mr. Forsyth's resignation came amid continuing political differences with Scottish Secretary Malcolm Rifkind which had caused turmoil in the Scottish branch of the Conservative Party, press reports said.

His term as leader of the party branch was marked by sweeping changes of personnel at the party's Edinburgh headquarters and uncompromising advocacy of Thatcherite ideals and led to some criticism that Mr. Forsyth was trying to undermine Mr. Rifkind.

But his promotion was accompanied by a letter of praise from Mrs. Thatcher who expressed her gratitude for his "unstinting commitment and hard work" and said his promotion was "richly deserved."

"Moreover I shall make a point of continuing to seek your advice and thoughts on future policy," Mrs. Thatcher said.

In his new post, Mr. Forsyth will cover education, social work, health and sport and will be the House of Commons spokesman on agriculture, fisheries and forestry.

Mr. Forsyth was replaced as Scots Tory chairman by Lord Sanderson of Bowden, who stepped down as minister of state at the Scottish Office.

Lord Bowden was replaced by Lord Strathclyde, from the environment department.

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#90250d7230 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 7) - South Africa's United Democratic Front (UDF) on Friday called on its members to form "self-defence units" following Thursday's slayings of five black commuters at a railway station in central Johannesburg.

"We believe in the right to self-defence ... against violence from whatever quarter," said Ronnie Manoepa, a spokesman for the UDF, which is affiliated with the African National Congress.

Johannesburg police spokesman Colonel Frans Malherbe, however, said police could not allow self-defence units to "cut into our area".

Police were late Friday still searching for the two black men who gunned down the commuters and said they believed the killings were related to a

dispute between rival minibus taxi operators.

Black townships around here were reported quiet on Friday, including Soweto where police said six people were killed on Thursday. Four of those killed died when unknown assailants in a minibus drove through the streets and randomly fired at people.

Late Thursday, police dispersed a group of 500 black youths in Sharpeville black township south of here after the youths tried to petrol bomb a police station.

In another development Friday, a team of international jurists stated that South African policemen were finding it difficult to adjust to the February 2 unbanning of the ANC, their former "enemy", and should be re-trained.

The three-member delegation from the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ), has been on a two-week fact finding mission to investigate a virtual black civil war in Natal province in which some 4,000 people had been killed since 1987.

The IJC delegation suggested that a foreign monitoring force be employed to keep the peace in Natal and one of its members, John Macdonald, said on Friday government ministers spoken to by the delegation "seemed to be very receptive" to the idea.

Observers believe internecine violence around Johannesburg has been a spillover from Natal where ANC supporters were also pitted against supporters of Zulu Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha movement.

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#90250d7320 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 7) - Financial circles remained gloomy on Friday about the Gulf situation, two days before a Soviet-U.S. summit meeting in Helsinki, and they were not convinced by the gains scored on some stock markets.

Wall Street staged a mild recovery in the first part of the Friday session, the Dow Jones being up by 22.77 points in mid-session and breaking through the 2,600 level, after opening with a dip of 3.97 points. But operators said the rally was primarily technical, following the Thursday decline of 31.92 points.

Still, the New York rally was enough to bring a slight gain in stock prices in Paris, which keeps close tabs on Wall Street because of the importance of U.S. holdings and sales to many French companies. The Paris Bourse closed on Friday with a modest gain of 0.60 per cent on the day, after a dull session.

The Frankfurt exchange managed a 0.37 percent rise on Friday, but Milan (down 0.11 percent) and Zurich (off 0.68 percent) were in the losing column.

London was basically on a mild downtrend for the bulk of the session, but staged a rally toward the close to let the Footsie 100-share index finish at 2,122.9, up two points for the day.

Investors and would-be investors on the various markets express perplexity about what will happen and should happen in the Gulf conflict with Iraq. Hostilities would whack all of the stock markets very hard indeed, they say, so they view such a development with apprehension.

On the other hand, the current standoff is worse than anything else, the majority of investors say - noting the old market adage that the market can live with good news or bad news, but not with uncertainty.

Oil prices are another major investor worry. On Friday, West Texas Intermediate was off 93 cents a barrel in New York early in the session, to 30.50 dollars a barrel, while in London, North Sea Brent for October delivery also dropped, trading at 30.45 dollars a barrel in late afternoon against the Thursday closing level of 30.90 dollars.

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#90250d7350 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (SEPT 7) - The International Committee of the Red Cross (Icrc) has failed to persuade Baghdad to let it mount a comprehensive aid operation in Iraq and Kuwait for all civilians hit by the Gulf crisis, Icrc president Cornelio Sommaruga said here Friday.

Sommaruga was speaking at a press conference after a one-week tour of Amman, Baghdad and Teheran.

The Icrc had been on the verge of finalising an agreement with Baghdad on possible humanitarian measures, Sommaruga said. He did not say why Iraq had then rejected the proposals.

Sommaruga made clear that the Icrc wanted particularly to help the thousands of foreigners stranded in Iraq and Kuwait. The Icrc had, however also expressed its readiness to play a mediation role, in contact with the United Nations, on the question of securing medical and certain basic food supplies for Iraq.

The Icrc president had three round of talks with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. The differences between both sides had apparently centred on whether the Geneva conventions for conflicts and hostilities were

applicable in the present situation. Baghdad had insisted that they were not, Sommeruga said.

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#90250d7360 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) - Any lingering doubts that Steffi Graf was not playing her best tennis were quickly dispelled Friday when she disposed of Arantxa Sanchez in straight sets and advanced to the final of the US Open for the fourth straight time.

Graf, seeking her third consecutive Open title, walked onto the stadium court armed with her deadly forehand and blistering first serve and needed just 55 minutes to complete an easy 6-1, 6-2 victory.

"I can't play much better," said the 21-year-old West German. "I'd be happy if it (my game) gets better in the final, but I can't play much better than I did today. I put good pace on the balls and went for my shots when I had a chance."

Graf made very few unforced errors and put constant pressure on Sanchez at the net, winning 20 of her 23 approaches.

Graf faced only one break point on her own serve -- when she double-faulted at 30-30 in the fifth game of the first set -- but, like a true champion, was able to come up with a couple of big serves when she needed them most and held on the fourth game point.

"I knew I had to stay in the match," she said, adding: "I couldn't have any lapses or she'd dig right in and fight. I had to play every point and I think I did."

Sanchez, whose only victory against Graf came on the clay courts at Roland Garros in last year's French Open final, felt shell-shocked after the match.

"I thought I played well, but I just couldn't do anything," she confessed. "She played unbelievably. She served well and it's hard to beat her when she serves so well. You can't do anything."

Graf is now one match away from winning her 10th Grand Slam singles title and will play either Gabriela Sabatini or Mary Joe Fernandez in Saturday's final.

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#90250d7390 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (SEPT. 7) - Peru announced Friday that it was closing down its

embassies in East Germany and five other countries and shutting several consulates in a bid to cut government spending.

The Foreign Ministry's order concerns embassies in East Germany, Finland, New Zealand, Kuwait, Kenya and Zimbabwe and consulates in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Chile, Italy, Mexico, and Sweden.

Peru's mission to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) will also be closed.

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#90250d7450 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT 7) - South Africa's white liberal Democratic Party (DP), its political platform undermined by government reforms, on Friday voted to remain independent despite calls to form an alliance with the African National Congress (ANC).

The call for the DP to form an alliance with the black nationalist ANC drew sharp responses from more conservative DP delegates to the two-day congress which began here on Friday.

Delegates on Friday also elected Zach de Beer, a 62-year-old former executive of the huge Anglo-American Corporation mining conglomerate, the new single leader of the DP.

Mr. De Beer, who previously shared the leadership with Wynand Malan and Denis Worrall, took 274 votes against 195 for Cape parliamentarian Tian van der Merwe, who favoured closer ties to the ANC.

President Frederik de Klerk's reforms since February 2 -- including the unbanning of the ANC and the release of its deputy president, Nelson Mandela -- have plunged the DP into its worst political crisis since it was launched in April 1989.

Mr. Malan resigned from the triumvirate on July 11 and Mr. Worrall, a former South African ambassador in London, decided not to stand against Mr. De Beer.

Dave Dalling, the DP member of parliament from the wealthy Johannesburg suburb of Sandton, told delegates the party should form an alliance with the ANC as they shared the same aims, including a multi-party democracy in South Africa.

Another DP parliamentarian, Harry Schwartz, insisted the party should remain independent and "make sure we have a place at the negotiating table".

"I want us to be major actors," Mr. Schwartz said.

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#90250d7580 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 7) - The international community has failed so far to pay sufficient attention to the refugee problem created by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, Bangladeshi Foreign Secretary Abul Ahsan said here Friday.

"The human dimension of the Gulf crisis has not received due attention," the number two official in the Dhaka foreign ministry told Agence France-Presse in an interview.

He said the international community had been slow in moving and its response had so far failed to reach "the degree warranted by the situation."

Mr. Ahsan said the "human problem" was "one of the biggest, most unique problems of its kind since the Second World War," and repatriating hundreds of thousands of refugees was "a staggering task."

Bangladesh had told the United Nations ten days ago that there was "a need for coordination and a disciplined approach," since nationals of many countries were involved.

He said Bangladesh, India and Pakistan were now moving jointly in New York to ask United Nations secretary general Javier Perez de Cuellar to appoint a U.N. coordinator.

"I am convinced it is absolutely necessary to have one single authority" coordinating the repatriation operations, he said.

Out of the roughly 500,000 South Asian nationals who were in Kuwait and Iraq when the crisis erupted early last month, about 80,000 Bangladeshis were in Kuwait, and another 12,000 to 15,000 were in Iraq, Mr. Ahsan said.

He said the latest estimates he had received from Dhaka indicated that some 50,000, or about 60 per cent of the total, had so far fled, "mostly from Kuwait."

Others were seeking to escape through Iran, and some were being airlifted from camps in Saudi Arabia, he said. "Every day they come, every day more people flee," he said.

According to his latest information, 15,000 Bangladeshis were on the Iraqi-Turkish border trying to cross into Turkey, while another 10,000 were on the Iraqi-Jordanian border and 10,000 more in camps in Amman.

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#90250d7760 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SINGAPORE (SEPT 7) - Oil prices on the Singapore International Monetary Exchange (SIMEX) ended lower in subdued trading Friday.

Dealers said that prices, which shot up Thursday on fears of esclation in the Gulf, subsided right from the start of trading Friday.

They said reports that an American solider was shot in Kuwait Thursday had created fears that the Gulf situation would explode and caused prices to move up. Saddam Hussein's call for a "holy war" sparked fears initially in the market.

Friday the price of High Sulphur Fuel Oil (HSFO) for October finished at 134.50 U.S. dollars a metric tonne, down from Thursday high of 139.00 dollars.

Friday's price for HSFO October was still higher than the previous peak price of 133.50 dollars a tonne recorded on August 23.

The HSFO for November closed at 133.00 dollars, down from Thursday's 136.50 U.S. dollars.

The price of Dubai crude for October finished at 25.50 U.S. dollars a barrel, down from Thursday's 27.75 U.S. dollars.

The highest price for the Dubai crude was also registered on August 23 when it was traded at 30.50 U.S. dollars a barrel.

SIMEX, which trades in currency and golf futures, began trading in oil futures early this year.

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#90250d7780 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT 7) - Both rates and the prospects for tanker employment improved this week, as Saudi Arabia boosted exports of crude oil to over seven million barrels per day.

Shipbroker E.A. Gibson reported a healthy total of 22 ULCC and VLCC carriers fixed in the Gulf, and said that with crude oil prices rising faster than bunker fuel prices, tanker owners' earnings have shown some improvement.

The most marked improvement in rates was witnessed for Gulf movements to Eastern and Red Sea destinations, the broker said in its weekly report, although rates for Western delivery remain disappointingly low.

In the West African loading zone rates for 120,000 tonners heading for the U.S. Gulf and Europe were earning better rates, but Mediterranean loaders fared less well.

Meanwhile, a lack of enquiry in the Caribbean market forced rates for dirty and clean vessels down, although clean carriers benefitted from a late flurry of enquiry.

Rates showed a decline in the North Sea for a number of dirty fixings, and clean cargoes were scarce.

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#90250d7870 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (SEPT 7) - European Economic Community (EEC) foreign ministers, in a move aimed at tightening the economic noose around Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, agreed here Friday to urge the United Nations to prevent aircraft from breaching the trade embargo with Iraq, diplomats said.

They also agreed in principle to organise a nine-billion-dollar plan to help Jordan, Turkey and Egypt, the "frontline" states whose economies teeter on the brink of crisis because of the embargo.

And in steps seeking to further isolate Iraq on the diplomatic front, the ministers revealed they were willing to sign a joint statement this month with the Soviet Union on the Gulf crisis, as well as beef up contacts with the Arab League and the Non-Aligned Movement.

West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said the Community would call on the U.N. Security Council to examine ways of stiffening its August 6 embargo, including the "control of air traffic."

Iraq, according to press reports, has succeeded in piercing the embargo by organising an airlift of material via its few remaining friends, such as Libya.

The airlift is reported as having more of a morale than economic impact, as it cannot cope effectively with big bulk items such as grain or meat.

Diplomats said some countries expressed caution, fearing that the accidental downing of an Iraqi airliner could provoke a wider and bloodier conflict in the Gulf.

British junior foreign minister William Waldegrave said "it is very difficult to enforce an embargo," as aircraft could not be boarded and turned back, like ships.

"If it is a serious loophole in the sanctions, it has to be looked at carefully," he said. Among the options would be the denial of the use of air space to aircraft suspected to sanctions-busters.

The ministers also gave their backing in principle to emergency help and medium-term aid for Egypt, Turkey and Jordan, which face a dramatic loss in revenue from trade with Iraq and remittances from workers in Kuwait.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said the Community estimated the shortfall to be around nine billion dollars for the last quarter of 1990 and all of 1991.

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#90250d7970 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAVANA (SEPT. 7) - Six Cubans, an American and a Colombian were sentenced here Friday to jail terms ranging from one to 15 years for drug trafficking in Cuban territorial waters, Cuba's National Information Agency said.

The sentences were handed out in Camaguey, 600 kilometers (375 miles) east of here, in the presence of Deborah Anne Bolton, head of the U.S. Interest Section in Cuba.

The convicted drug traffickers were arrested last March and April while plying Cuban territorial waters for shipments of Colombian cocaine dropped from airplanes, the agency said.

The six Cubans were said to be residents of Miami, Florida.

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#90250d8110 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WETZLAR, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 9) - Syrian-born author Rafik Shami, 44, received here Friday the Fantasy Prize of the West German city of Wetzlar for his book Storyteller of the Night.

Shami, who has lived in West Germany since 1971, received the 7,500 mark (4,700 dollar) prize from Wetzlar's lord mayor, Walter Froneberg.

The local jury said Shamir, drawing on the tradition of Arab storytelling, had sucessfully combined fantasy with realism in his book.

The prize is awarded annually for what the jury regards as the year's best first work of an author published in German.

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#90250d8130 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUCHAREST (SEPT 7) - Romanian Prime Minister Petre Roman on Friday travelled to the central city of Brasov in a bid to prevent a general strike in Romania, but failed to convince the union leadership to call it off.

The leadership of the Infratirea union, which claims 160,000 members, voted 21-6 to maintain its pledge to call a strike by September 13 if the government does not give written guarantees on food and raw material supplies, a union official said in a telephone interview from Brasov.

He said Mr. Roman's responses were "evasive." He said Mr. Roman proposed that the union draft a text on the meeting and hold futher discussions in Bucarest.

Last week, Infratirea organized a three-day strike of 10,000 workers at the Tractorul factory in Brasov.

The union, which is represented in some 40 factories around the countries, says the shortages in raw materials have caused production and workers' salaries to be cut by 50 percent in recent months.

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#90250d8200 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ANKARA (SEPT 7) - Turkish officials were holding some 80 people Friday after a day-long strike Thursday in the Kurdish majority town of Nusaybin, close to the border with Syria, informed sources reached by telephone said.

Most were storekeepers and heads of small firms arrested after the strike in protest against an official refusal to hand over the bodies of three Kurdish separatists killed in a clash on Monday.

More than 7,000 businesses closed down Thursday in defiance of decrees in April and May banning strikes as part of an official "anti-terrorist" programme in the southeastern Anatolia region.

Sources reached by telephone told Agence France-Presse that militants of the Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK), a Marxist separatist movement waging armed struggle since 1984, had "encouraged" shopkeepers not to open their businesses.

Local reporters earlier said that several shops were forced open Thursday and had their locks and shutters broken, while police prevented photographers from taking pictures of the closed stores and confiscated their film.

Police tightened security there as well as in Cizre, Silopi and Sirnak,

close to the Iraqi border, where armed Kurdish militants are reported to be very active.

The region, which lies along the ancient Silk Road now used to transport oil, has suffered badly from the five-week-old Gulf crisis sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Many of the stores that shut Thursday are attached to service stations hit by the halt in traffic from Iraq and many of the already poor people who live in the mainly Kurdish region have been laid off work because of the crisis.

Some of the local population have also accused police of human rights violations, according to a local official.

Strikes were banned after six people were killed in March during large demonstrations here and in Cizre during the funerals of slain separatists.

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#90250d8250 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 7) - The United States Friday said it strongly deplored the reported arrests of six leaders of Burma's leading political party by the military regime in Rangoon.

(In Rangoon, military intelligence chief Major General Khin Nyunt said earlier Friday that two prominent members of the National League for Democracy (NLD) had been arrested on security charges.

(He told reporters at Rangoon's Defence Ministry that U Kyi Maung, 71 and U Chit Khaing, 72, had been arrested by the military junta late Thursday for divulging "classified documents of national interest to unauthorized outsiders." He gave no details of what was in the documents.)

However State Department spokesman Mark Dillen cited reports that six NLD leaders had been arrested, including U Kyi Maung, the party's acting leader.

"We strongly deplore" these arrests "on political charges," he said.

"We regard the arrest of U Kyi Maung and others as a clear attempt by the military to stifle legitimate political activity and thwart implementation of the May election results," he added. The NLD won more than 80 per cent of the seats in the May polls.

"We again urge the regime to release political prisoners and finally implement the clear call for parliamentary democracy of the national elections last May," Mr. Dillen said.

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#90250d8270 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRASILIA (SEPT 7) - Justice Minister Bernardo Cabral Friday ordered three state governments to investigate the alleged torture-murders of some 1,000 children in which Amnesty International claimed to have found police involvement.

The murders allegedly took place over the past five years and mainly involved homeless children picked up by police, or by so-called death squads, said an Amnesty report released Thursday.

The three states where most of the murders were said to have taken place, according to the Amnesty report, are Rio de Janeiro, Pernambuco and Sao Paulo.

In spite of an ambitious child-welfare program recently announced by President Fernando Collor de Mello, private charity organizations do not believe the plight of thousands of homeless children will change any time soon.

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#90250d8330 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BOGOTA (SEPT. 7) - The father of three Medellin drug lords Friday rejected the government's pledge to not extradite drug suspects to the United States if they surrender to authorities and confess all their crimes.

Fabio Ochoa, speaking for his sons Jorge Luis, Juan David and Fabio, high-level members of the Medellin cocaine cartel led by Pablo Escobar, told Radio Caracol he considered Wednesday's offer a "step" toward resolving the country's drug problems, but said it did not include enough guarantees to satisfy the drug traffickers.

Gaviria said Wednesday that drug traffickers and members of paramilitary groups who surrendered, confessed, and cooperated with authorities would be tried by Colombian courts and given reduced sentences, instead of being extradited to the United States. Those suspects also would have to relinquish any property or profits gained from their criminal activities, he said.

Ochoa praised the effort by the month-old government of Gaviria, but noted, "My sons are not going to turn themselves in because they do not want to implicate their friends." The United States is seeking Ochoa's son Fabio for extradition on drug charges.

Justice Minister Jaime Giraldo Thursday said Escobar would not be

extradited to the United States if he accepted the conditions of the presidential decree.

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#90250d8820 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAMPERE, Finland (SEPT 8) - The Socialist International on Friday condemned "despotic regimes" and the use of force in many parts of the world such as the Iraqi attempt at annexation of Kuwait.

In a statement, published at the end of a three-day conference here, the movement also called for more solid foundations of a system of international security and said there is an "urgent need for restraint in the international transfer of arms".

The conference also announced that it would send a delegation on Saturday to the Baltic countries.

The conference welcomed the recent developments in Europe and said that the peoples of Europe have torn down the walls separating them in hostile camps.

"Security can now be built on new foundations. Measures implementing the ideas of common security and shared responsibility must now be forged into a new system of security", the conference said.

The International, however, pointed out that while the end of the cold war in Europe will promote global peace, it does not necessarily produce immediate results everywhere.

"In many areas of the world, tensions, crises, territorial problems and even armed conflicts are still part of everyday realities. Efforts for the solution of these problems and even armed conflicts are urgently needed for building confidence and peace", the conference said.

The International said it "deplores the continuing use of force in many parts of the world such as in the recent attempt at annexation of one member state of the United Nations by another".

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#90250d8890 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (SEPT 8) - The Niger goverment will soon examine a Saudi request for a military unit to be sent to defend Saudi territory, according to a Niger Foreign Ministry communique received here Friday.

Earlier Friday the Niger state news agency ANP said Niger had decided to send a symbolic military contingent to Saudi Arabia following talks

Thursday in the Niger capital of Niamey between President Ali Saibou and a Saudi envoy.

But reliable sources later said the announcement resulted from a misunderstanding.

Niger is 85 per cent Moslem and a member of the Organization of the Islamic Conference. So far Senegal is the only black African state to pledge troops for Saudi Arabia.

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#90250d9050 09/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD, (SEPT 8) - Recent restrictive measures against Iraqi nationals in France are "unjustified" and part of U.S.-led "aggressive designs" against Iraq, an Iraqi Foreign Ministry spokesman said Friday.

The spokesman, cited by the Iraqi News Agency, said his country was not threatening French national security and was treating French citizens in Iraq "normally, except for some who have been invited (to remain) in the country to prevent an outbreak of war."

The measures against Iraqis in France "serve the aggressive designs linked to hostile American policy against Iraq and its people," the spokesman said.

The French Interior Ministry on August 28 and 29 placed 26 Iraqi nationals under special surveillance, saying they were either military trainees or had knowledge of national defense secrets.

The Iraqi spokesman also charged that 14 Iraqi students at an unspecified French institute had been prevented from leaving France and that French authorities were increasing their "harassment of Iraqis."

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#90250e0008 09/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WARSAW (SEPT. 7) EFE - Some 820,000 Polish workers are now out of work as 50,000 more people lost their jobs in August as a result of the government's move to install a free market economy, Labor Ministry sources said Friday.

They said that since the beginning of the year 4.5 per cent of the labor force had been made redundant because of the market reforms.

Polish authorities said they feared the industrial shake-up would cause more lay-offs and lead to an increase in labor conflicts.

During the post-World War II period unemployment was unknown in Poland, but analysts said more than 1.2 million people would be jobless by the end of this year.

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#90250e0010 09/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 7) EFE - Moscow's mayor Gavril Popov Friday called on the government of Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov to step down as the Russian parliament began debating radical economic reforms for the Soviet Union's largest republic.

In a speech before the parliament, Popov also predicted that tens of thousands of Moscovites would take to the streets to support calls for Ryzhkov's resignation if such a move were approved by the Russian deputies.

Popov's remarks came amid a heated debate over rival plans to revive the country's bankrupt economy proposed by the Ryzhkov government and Russian President Boris Yeltsin.

Yeltsin, who has proposed a 500-day economic restructuring program involving a dlrs-200-billion privatization scheme, described Ryzhkov's economic plans last week as inviable and also called on the Soviet prime minister to resign.

Ryzhkov's proposals involve a slower-paced transition to a free market economy.

Popov said a group of some 300 radical Soviet deputies also planned to ask for Ryzhkov's resignation at a parliamentary session Monday.

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#90250e0011 09/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ABRIL, IRAQ (SEPT 7) EFE - The main road into Abril, the capital of Iraq's Autonomous Region of Kurdistan, is lined with fox-holes where pro-Baghdad Kurdish troops stand guard against possible attacks by Kurdish rebel forces in a sideshow of the Gulf conflict.

Political observers say the tension suits Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, who aims to stir up intra-Kurdish rivalries to protect his northern border in the event of the current conflict in the Persian Gulf spilling over on

to the battlefield.

Saddam used the same dividing tactics throughout the eight-year Gulf War against Iran.

In a recent interview with EFE, Kurdistani Prime Minister Jayer Abdulkerin Bersenchin claimed two of the three million Iraqi Kurds had pledged to take up arms for Baghdad should war break out.

But opposition Patriotic Union of Kurdistan (PUK) leader Jellal Talibani reportedly traveled to the United States last month for talks on the possibility of setting up a Kurdish guerrilla front to worry Iraqi troops on the border with Turkey in the event of war.

Both the PUK and the Democratic Party of Kurdistan, led by rival rebel leader Masoud Barzani, are reckoned to have 10,000- strong guerrilla forces.

Bersenchin has hung his colors firmly to Saddam's mast by backing the Iraqi president's interpretation of the Gulf crisis as a conflict between Islam and pro-Israeli colonial powers led by the United States.

"It is inevitable that there are always people like Barzani and Talibani who put their own political careers before the interests of the country, even at the cost of horse-trading with the United States and Zionism," he said.

The Kurdistani prime minister has gone as far in his pro- Saddam stance as to refute documented evidence of Iraqi chemical weapons attacks on Kurdish villages at the end of the Gulf War with Iran.

Tehran backed Barzani's rebels against Baghdad during the 1980-88 conflict.

Bersenchin also denied claims that Saddam was trying to negotiate a settlement with Barzani and Talibani in order to protect Iraq's northern front.

"Talibani and Barzani are included in the amnesty (for opposition groups) proclaimed by Saddam Hussein in March last year in Arbil, and if they love their people they should go home. But we don't need to negotiate with them " he said.

"Volunteers and the Iraqi forces are sufficient defense," he added.

The umbrella Kurdish rebel group, the Kurdistan Front, demands an independent nation for the some 25 to 30 million Kurds scattered between Iraq, Iran and Turkey.

Turkey, which has come out against Iraq in the current Gulf crisis, has previously received Baghdad's permission to pursue Turkish-based Marxist Kurdish Workers Party rebels into Iraqi territory.

Kurds occupy 26 of the 250 seats in the Iraqi national assembly and a number of them, including Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan, are Iraqi cabinet members.

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#90250e0013 09/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BONN (SEPT. 7) EFE - West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl has asked U.S. President George Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to attend the October 3 ceremony marking the unification of the two Germanys, a West German government spokesman confirmed Friday.

Bush and Gorbachev are to reply to Kohl's invitation within the next few days, Spokesman Hans Klein said, backing press reports that the two superpower leaders may attend.

He said Kohl was also to make the same request to French President Francois Mitterrand and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, the leaders of the other two countries which occupied Germany following the Allied victory in World War II.

After months of wrangling and intricate negotiations, the East and West German governments signed a treaty last week paving the way for the two countries' unification on October 3.

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#90250e0015 09/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT 7) EFE - The Iraqi Justice Ministry announced Friday that any foreigners trapped in the country who try to escape will face life imprisonment, the Iraqi news agency INA said.

Iraqi troops in occupied Kuwait shot and wounded a U.S. citizen Wednesday when he tried to climb through his apartment window as a contingent of soldiers were heading for the building where he lived.

The U.S. State Department said Thursday that the un-named man was due to be released from hospital but would be held in custody by Iraqi authorities.

Shortly after Baghdad's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, Iraqi troops shot and killed a British citizen who tried to escape across the Kuwaiti-Saudi Arabian border.

Iraq has also threatened the death penalty for any of its own citizens - who now include Kuwaitis after last month's annexation of the emirate - found to have sheltered foreigners.

Baghdad has moved an unspecified number of foreigners to key military and industrial complexes to stave off possible air attacks by U.S.-led multinational forces deployed in the region after the invasion of Kuwait.

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#90250e0023 09/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ROTTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS (SEPT 7) EFE - Dutch customs officers in the port city of Rotterdam have seized two Bulgarian trucks carrying machinery to blockaded Iraq, officials said Friday.

Passengers alerted customs officials to ten wooden crates marked Baghdad when the trucks tried to board a ship in the port Thursday.

The machinery, packed into the crates, had been made by an unidentified company in the Dutch city of Amsterdam and is of the type used in the construction industry.

"There is no proof that the truck drivers were trying to load the material illegally onto the ship since all their documents were in order," a spokesman from the Dutch Finance Ministry, which controls the customs services, said.

The spokesman said the trucks set out for Iraq at the beginning of July before Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and the United Nations sanctions against Baghdad.

Meanwhile, a court in Haarlem, 10 km east of Amsterdam, Wednesday charged Dutch munitions company Eurometaal with illegally exporting arms to Iraq, officials said Friday.

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#90250e0041 09/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PRAGUE (SEPT 7) EFE - NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner offered Friday to set up exchanges of military and political advisers with Czechoslovakia, which until last year was a frontline Communist state in the opposing Warsaw Pact alliance.

He made the proposal to Czech Defense Minister Miroslav Vacek at a meeting in Prague, which he said "symbolized that we have overcome the Cold War and are now entering a new era of collaboration."

Woerner emphasized that while it was essential for each country to

maintain armed forces for defense it was important to establish military and political contacts and exchanges of information to create an atmosphere of mutual confidence.

Vacek said that Czechoslovakia was to reduce its standing Army by 60,000 by the end of 1993 and by a further 40,000 by 1995, bringing its numbers in line with those of West Germany's Army.

In 1990, 850 tanks would be decommissioned, and national service would be reduced to 12 months in 1993-94.

President of the Czechoslovak government Marian Calfa reiterated that Czechoslovakia was already committed to pushing for the downgrading the military role of the Warsaw Pact, despite the economic consequences for the country's large arms industry.

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#90250e0044 09/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

HAVANA (SEPT 7) EFE - Eight U.S.-based Cubans convicted for drug-trafficking offenses have been given prison sentences ranging from one to 15 years, officials said Friday.

News of the sentences coincided with the inauguration by Cuban President Fidel Castro of the eighth United Nations anti-drug trafficking conference in Havana.

Castro recently said his government was considering harsher penalties for convicted drug traffickers, who under current Cuban law can be handed down a maximum 15-year sentence.

He added that 422 drug traffickers had been arrested in Cuba between 1970 and June 1990.

In addition, Castro said that 30 aircraft and 73 boats had been seized in the same period, which were found to be attempting to smuggle some 125 tonnes of marihuana and 5,941 kg of cocaine into the United States by using Cuba as a staging post.

Cuban officials said that four more U.S.-based Cubans were to go on trial Friday, in Ciego de Avila, 450 km southeast of Havana, on charges of illegal entry into the country and drug trafficking.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank,

Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Thur	Fri	Thur
Argntn austral	.000175	.000173	5703.00	5772.00
Australia dlr	.8213	.8234	1.2176	1.2145
Austria schill	.0909	.0912	11.00	10.96
Belgium franc-c	.0311	.0313	32.14	32.00
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0152	.0152	65.81	65.81
Britain pound	1.8925	1.9065	.5284	.5245
Britain 1-mo	1.8818	1.8958	.5314	.5275
Britain 3-mo	1.8752	1.8752	.5333	.5333
Britain 6-mo	1.8332	1.8470	.5455	.5414
Canada dollar	.8598	.8692	1.1631	1.1505
Canada 1-mo	.8530	.8658	1.1723	1.1550
Canada 3-mo	.8505	.8628	1.1758	1.1590
Canada 6-mo	.8430	.8518	1.1863	1.1740
Chile peso-f	.003317	.003340	301.45	299.37
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001934	.001936	516.97	516.54
Denmark krne	.1674	.1680	5.9740	5.9515
Ecudr sucre-z	.001129	.001126	886.05	888.03
Egypt pound	.3714	.3714	2.6924	2.6924
Finlnd mrkka	.2711	.2720	3.6880	3.6770
France franc	.1904	.1915	5.2515	5.2210
France 1-mo	.1901	.1915	5.2602	5.2218
France 3-mo	.1894	.1915	5.2810	5.2229
France 6-mo	.1883	.1913	5.3120	5.2273
Greece drach	.006528	.006518	153.18	153.43
Hollnd guildr	.5663	.5693	1.7660	1.7566
HongKong dlr	.1288	.1288	7.7652	7.7655
India rupee	.0568	.0573	17.60	17.46
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000542	1845.00	1845.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7145	1.7210	0.5833	0.5811
Israel shekel	.5038	.5020	1.9850	1.9920
Italy lira	.000855	.000859	1169.75	1163.75
Japan yen	.007138	.007106	140.10	140.73
Japan 1-mo	.007143	.007106	140.00	140.73
Japan 3-mo	.007153	.007131	139.80	140.23
Japan 6-mo	.007154	.007124	139.79	140.37
Jordan dinar	1.5375	1.5375	.6504	.6504
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35

Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000347	2881.00	2880.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6235	.6255	1.6038	1.5987
Norway krne	.1653	.1659	6.0500	6.0260
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000003	.000003	389,075	384,150
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escud	.007241	.007282	138.11	137.32
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5643	.5688	1.7720	1.7580
S.Africa rand	.3916	.3924	2.5538	2.5481
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010199	.010194	98.05	98.10
Sweden krona	.1737	.1743	5.7560	5.7360
Switzrl franc	.7663	.7704	1.3050	1.2980
Switzrl 1-mo	.7663	.7702	1.3050	1.2983
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7660	.7698	1.3055	1.2990
Switzrl 6-mo	.7658	.7688	1.3059	1.3007
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.90	26.90
Turkey lira	.000376	.000374	2663.00	2672.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6628	3.6628
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0208	.0208	48.02	48.12
W.Ger Mark	.6381	.6416	1.5671	1.5585
W.Ger 1-mo	.6380	.6415	1.5674	1.5589
W.Ger 3-mo	.6374	.6412	1.5688	1.5595
W.Ger 6-mo	.6359	.6409	1.5725	1.5604
Yugosl dinar	.0935	.0937	10.69	10.67

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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BEIJING (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - CHINA IS CARRYING OUT A NATIONWIDE SURVEY OF ITS AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES TO PREPARE FOR THE DRAFTING OF AN OVERALL AGRICULATURAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN, THE OVERSEAS EDITION OF THE "PEOPLE'S DAILY" REPORTED TODAY.

THE SURVEY WILL FIND OUT THE POTENTIALS OF MEDIUM- AND LOW-YIELDING FARMLAND, FORESTS, TEA FARMS AND ORCHARDS AND THE RESOURCES OF WASTELAND, THE PAPER SAID.

ALSO TO BE COVERED BY THE SURVEY ARE WATER RESOURCES IN ARID AREAS.

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#90250h0045 09/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NAIROBI (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - AFRICAN COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN URGED TO PRODUCE MORE FOOD TO RELIEVE THE SHORTAGE OF FOOD THE CONTINENT IS FACING.

OPENING A THREE-DAY AGRICULTURAL COOPERATION COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE PREFERENTIAL TRADE AREA (PTA) OF EAST AND SOUTHERN AFRICA HERE YESTERDAY, KENYAN MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE MR. ELIJAH MWANGALE SAID THAT IT IS HIGH TIME FOR AFRICAN COUNTRIES TO FORMULATE BETTER FOOD POLICIES TO ENSURE STEADY FOOD PRODUCTION. THEPTA SUB-REGION ALONE, THE MINISTER LAMENTED, CONTINUES TO IMPORT FOOD AMOUNTING TO 2 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS A YEAR.

"THIS IS NOT A HEALTY SITUATION. WE HAVE TO PRODUCE MORE FOOD FOR THE REGION," HE ADDED.

TO INCREASE FOOD PRODUCTION IN THE CONTINENT, MR. MWANGALE NOTED, THERE IS NEED FOR MORE RESEARCH TO DEVELOP TRADITIONAL FOOD CROPS SUCH AS FINGER MILLET AND SORGHUM.

AT THE SAME TIME, HE WENT ON, IT IS IMPORTANT TO ESTABLISH A PRICE MECHANISM FOR TRADITIONAL CROPS SO AS TO ENCOURAGE FARMERS TO INCREASE FOOD PRODUCTION.

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LUSAKA (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - WORKERS STRIKE IN ZAMBIA'S MOTOR INDUSTRY HAS SPREAD FROM THE CAPITAL CITY OF LUSAKA TO OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS OF THE COUNTRY.

THE WORKERS IN THE MOTOR INDUSTRY DOWNED TOOLS IN LUSAKA TWO DAYS AGO FOR INCREASED SALARIES AND TRANSPORT AND COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCES.

YESTERDAY, ARMED PARAMILITARY POLICE RINGED THE STAR COMMERCIAL MOTORS IN LUSAKA, WHERE THOUSANDS OF WORKERS GATHERED TO DEMAND TO BE ADDRESSED BY CHAIRMAN OF THE MOTOR TRADERS ASSOCIATION GEORGE DONKIN.

IN NDOLA AND SOME OTHER TOWNS ON THE COPPERBELT, WORKERS, MECHANICS AND PUMP ATTENDANTS FROM THE CAMS MOTORS, THE FABRICAR, THE CROWN MOTORS AND THE ROVER ZAMBIA YESTERDAY URGED THEIR COLLEAGUES TO DOWN TOOLS.

IN LIVINGSTONE, WORK STOPPAGE HAS PARALYSED OPERATIONS OF THE STATE-RUN LIVINGSTONE MOTOR ASSEMBLERS AND THE DULY MOTORS, THE MOTOR HOLDINGS AND THE JIMMY MOTORS.

THE STRIKE ALSO STIFLED FUEL SUPPLIES AND WORSENED THE ALREADY DISRUPTED PUBLIC TRANSPORT IN CITIES AND TOWNS OF THE COUNTRY.

MEANWHILE, STRIKING STAFF AT THE ZAMBIA BREWERIES IN LUSAKA REFUSED TO RESUME WORK AS THEIR COLLEAGUES AT NDOLA JOINED IN THEIR PROTEST IN DEMAND FOR MORE ALLOWANCES AND BETTER PAY PACKAGES, FORCING BEER PRODUCTION TO BE GROUND TO A HALT. BEER TRADERS HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR MORE THAN A WEEK FOR SUPPLIES.

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#90250h0051 09/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIRUT (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - SEVEN PEOPLE HAVE DIED OF CHOLERA WHICH IS THREATENING THE PROVINCE OF NORTH LEBANON, SAMIR DOBARA, HEAD OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF THE PROVINCE, SAID TODAY.

DOBARA SAID THE EPIDEMIC WAS SPREADING OVER MOST OF THE PROVINCE, PARTICULARLY IN TRIPOLI, THE SECOND LARGEST CITY OF LEBANON.

HIS EMERGENCY REPORT CAME AFTER MINISTER OF HEALTH ABDULLAH AL-RASSI ON THURSDAY DENIED REPORTS ABOUT THREATS OF CHOLERA IN THE REGION, SAYING CITIZENS ONLY SUFFERED FROM SERIOUS DIARRHEA.

THE PROVINCE OF NORTH LEBANON COVERS THE CITIES OF TRIPOLI, KOURA, ZGHARTA BATROUN, AKKAR AND BCHARRE.

ACCORDING TO SOURCES FROM LOCAL HOSPITALS, THE DISEASE WAS CAUSED BY HEAVY POLLUTION OF EDIBLE WATER BY SEWAGE FLOWING INTO DRINKING WATER PIPES.

CHOLERA WAS REPORTED TO HAVE INFECTED TRIPOLI 10 DAYS AGO.

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#90250h0061 09/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - THE ESTIMATED POPULATION OF HONG KONG AT THE END OF JUNE THIS YEAR WAS 5,800,600, SHOWING AN INCREASE OF 39,100 PERSONS OR 0.7 PERCENT OVER MID-1989.

THE FIGURES WERE RELEASED BY THE HONG KONG CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT HERE TODAY.

THE BALANCE OF TOTAL ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES IN THE 12-MONTH PERIOD FROM MID-1989 TO MID-1990 WAS MINUS 2,900.

THERE WERE 70,800 BIRTHS AND 28,800 DEATHS IN THE SAME PERIOD, BRINGING HONG KONG'S NATURAL POPULATION INCREASE TO 42,000.

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#90250h0063 09/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MAPUTO (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - AT LEAST 42 CHILDREN DIED IN THE LAST TWO

MONTHS AS A RESULT OF THE OUTBREAK OF MEASLES IN THE NAMUNO DISTRICT, OF THE NORTHERN MOZAMBICAN PROVINCE OF CABO- DELGADO, RADIO MOZAMBIQUE REPORTED TODAY.

MALARIA, CONJUNCTIVITIS AND COUGH HAVE ALSO AFFECTED ABOUT 2,000 DISPLACED PEOPLE IN THE MONTEPUEZ DISTRICT, SOME 50 KILOMETRES NORTH OF NAMUNO, THE RADIO SAID.

A CLINIC WHICH USED TO SERVE THE PEOPLE IN MONTEPUEZ WAS RAIDED AND RANSACKED SOME FEW DAYS BY REBELS OF THE MOZAMBIQUE NATIONAL RESISTANCE (MNR).

MEANWHILE, OTHER REPORTS SAID AT LEAST FOUR CASES OF CHOLERA HAVE BEEN REGISTERED IN MALEMA IN THE NORTHERN PROVINCE OF NAMPULA.

THE MOZAMBICAN SANITARY AUTHORITIES EXPLAINED THAT POOR MAINTENANCE OF SANITARY HAS BEEN ONE OF THE MAIN FACTORS CAUSING THE OUTBREAK OF CHOLERA.

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#90250h0084 09/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

YANGON (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - A GIANT 979-CARAT SAPPHIRE HAS BEEN FOUND IN MYANMAR, THE BIGGEST EVER FOUND IN THE WORLD, THE LOCAL WORKING PEOPLE'S DAILY REPORTED TODAY.

THE PAPER SAID THE SAPPHIRE IS OF DEEP SKY-BLUE COLOR AND IS NEARLY FLAWLESS.

THE SAPPHIRE WILL BE BIGGER AND SUPERIOR IN QUALITY AFTER IT IS CUT THAN THE "STAR OF INDIA," WHICH WEIGHS 563 CARATS AND IS KEPT AT THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM IN NEW YORK CITY.

THE SAPPHIRE WAS FOUND IN A GEM MINE IN MOGOK TOWNSHIP, MANDALAY DIVISION, MORE THAN 600 KILOMETERS NORTH OF YANGON.

EARLIER THIS YEAR THE WORLD'S LARGEST RUBY WEIGHING 496.5 CARATS, WAS FOUND IN THE SAME MINE.

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#90250h0086 09/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - THE PUDONG BRANCH OF THE PEOPLE'S CONSTRUCTION BANK OF CHINA IN SHANGHAI CITY OPENED HERE TODAY.

THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED BANK WILL GIVE TOP PRIORITY TO ASSISTING THE PUDONG DEVELOPMENT AREA'S EXPORT-ORIENTED ECONOMY, FOREIGN-FUNDED BUSINESSES, ENTERPRISE GROUPS, EXPORT-ORIENTED ENTERPRISES, ENTERPRISE TECHNICAL RENOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE CONSTRUCTION.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, ZHOU DAOJIONG, PRESIDENT OF THE BANK, SAID THAT IN THE EIGHTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN PERIOD (1991-1995) HIS BANK WILL HELP RAISE 2.5 BILLION TO THREE BILLION YUAN WORTH OF CREDIT CAPITAL FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PUDONG AREA.

IN ITS FIRST DAY OF OPERATION THE BANK SIGNED LOAN CONTRACTS WITH 10 LOCAL ENTERPRISES, INVOLVING A TOTAL OF 450 MILLION YUAN AND 63.75 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

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#90250h0088 09/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CHENGDU (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - THE STUDY OF ETHNIC LANGUAGES HAS ENTERED A NEW "GOLDEN AGE," ACCORDING TO A NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM HERE ON THE STUDY OF CHINA'S ETHNIC LANGUAGES.

CHINA HAS 55 ETHNIC MINORITIES IN ADDITION TO THE HAN PEOPLE, WHO ACCOUNT FOR ABOUT 94 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION OF 1.1 BILLION.

THE MEETING WAS TOLD THAT ALL GOVERNMENTS FROM CENTRAL AUTHORITIES TO PROVINCES, AUTONOMOUS REGIONS AND PREFECTURES AND CITIES INHABITED BY A LARGE NUMBER OF ETHNIC MINORITIES HAVE SET UP INSTITUTIONS FOR THE STUDY OF ETHNIC LANGUAGES.

ACCORDING TO THE MEETING, THE NUMBER OF SCHOLARS ENGAGED IN STUDY OF ETHNIC LANGUAGES HAS SET A NEW RECORD. THE CHINESE SOCIETY OF NATIONALITY LANGUAGE STUDIES HAS 600 MEMBERS. MOREOVER, 4,000 SCHOLARS FROM UNIVERSITIES, COLLEGES AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS ARE NOW ENGAGED IN THE STUDY OF ETHNIC LANGUAGES.

THE STUDY OF ETHNIC LANGUAGES, LIKE OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES, WAS DISRUPTED DURING THE "CULTURAL REVOLUTION" (1966-1976) AND IT WAS RESUMED IN 1979.

SINCE THEN, CHINESE SCHOLARS HAVE PUBLISHED AND DELIVERED A NUMBER OF THESES IN THIS FIELD AND SOME HAVE BEEN SENT TO THE INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC MEETINGS.

CHINESE SCHOLARS HAVE COMPILED OR REVISED DICTIONARIES OF 20 ENTHNIC LANGUAGES.

A SURVEY SHOWS THAT CHINA HAS MORE THAN 80 ETHNIC LANGUAGES.

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ISTANBUL (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER QIAN QICHEN TODAY

DESCRIBED HIS FOUR-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO TURKEY AS "A COMPLETE SUCCESS."

BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE AT ISTANBUL INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT HERE, THE MINISTER TOLD XINHUA THAT THE MAIN RESULT OF HIS VISIT -- STRENGTHENING THE MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND TRUST BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES -- HAS BEEN ACHIEVED.

QIAN SAID THAT TURKEY AND CHINA HAVE MANY COMMON GROUNDS, AND THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES ARE FACING ALMOST THE SAME TASKS.

DURING THE TALKS IN ANKARA, BOTH COUNTRIES HAVE EXPRESSED THE DESIRE TO FURTHER DEVELOP BILATERAL COOPERATION AND PUT FORWARD PROPOSALS IN THIS RESPECT. "THERE ARE GREAT POTENTIALITIES FOR FURTHER PROMOTING THE COMPLEMENTARY ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES," SAID THE MINISTER.

THE CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER ALSO SAID WAYS OF FURTHER STRENGTHENING BILATERAL ECONOMIC AND TRADE RELATIONS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT A MEETING OF THE JOINT CHINESE-TURKISH COMMISSION OF ECONOMY, TECHNOLOGY AND TRADE TO BE HELD IN BEIJING IN NOVEMBER.

THE MAIN ISSUE WE HAVE DISCUSSED WITH TURKISH OFFICIALS WAS THE GULF CRISIS, SAID QIAN, ADDING THAT "THE CURRENT GULF CRISIS HAS POSED A GRAVE THREAT TO PEACE IN THE REGION AND THE WORLD AS A WHOLE."

THE MINISTER ALSO SAID THAT DURING THE TALKS WITH TURKISH OFFICIALS BOTH SIDES SHARED SIMILAR VIEWS ON THE GULF CRISIS.

"THE TWO SIDES CONSIDER IRAQ'S ARMED INVASION AND ANNEXATION OF KUWAIT UNACCEPTABLE. IRAQ SHOULD WITHDRAW FROM KUWAIT AND THE STATE OF KUWAIT SHOULD BE RESTORED," STRESSED THE MINISTER.

HE SAID THE TWO SIDES ALSO AGREED THAT THE GULF CRISIS SHOULD BE SOLVED THOUGH PEACEFUL, DIPLOMATIC AND POLITICAL MEANS.

"TURKEY IS ONE OF THE IMPORTANT COUNTRIES IN THE REGION. IT HAS COMMON BORDERS WITH IRAQ, SO WE UNDERSTAND THE MEASURES THAT TURKEY HAS TAKEN," SAID THE CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER.

TURKEY, A NATO MEMBER, HAS PUT ITS AIRFORCE ON THE ALERT SINCE THE GULF CRISIS STARTED WITH THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

ON WEDNESDAY, THE TURKISH PARLIAMENT EMPOWERED THE GOVERNMENT TO SEND TROOPS ABROAD AND ALLOW FOREIGN TROOPS TO BE STATIONED ON TURKISH SOIL.

DURING QIAN'S STAY IN ANKARA HE WAS RECEIVED BY TURKISH PRESIDENT TURGUT OZAL, PRIME MINISTER YILDIRIM AKBULUT AND PARLIAMENT'S SPEAKER KAYA ERDEM AND DISCUSSED THE GULF CRISIS WITH THEM.

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#90250h0130 09/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
OTTAWA (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - CANADA HAS STOPPED SELLING WHEAT ON WORLD MARKETS BECAUSE CURRENT PRICES HAVE FALLEN BELOW THE AMOUNT THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT PAYS TO FARMERS, THE LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY.

A CONTINUING SUBSIDY WAR BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, AND RECORD WHEAT PRODUCTION IN CANADA, THE UNITED STATES, EUROPE AND THE SOVIET UNION, HAVE COMBINED TO DRIVE PRICES TO THEIR LOWEST LEVEL SINCE 1931.

AS A RESULT, THE CURRENT WORLD PRICE FOR NO. 1 WHEAT IS ABOUT 99 CANADIAN DOLLARS (85 U.S.) A TONNE, ABOUT 25 CANADIAN DOLLARS (21.5 U.S.) LESS THAN THE WHEAT BOARD OF CANADA, A FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR INTERNATIONALLY MARKETING CANADIAN WHEAT, PAYS FARMERS.

ON AUGUST 1 EVERY YEAR, THE BOARD SETS PRICE BASED ON WHAT THE MARKET MIGHT BE FOR FARMERS' GRAIN DELIVERIES. IF PRICES DO NOT REACH THAT LEVEL OTTAWA MAKES UP THE SHORTFALL, CURRENTLY 25 CANADIAN DOLLARS A TONNE.

INTERNATIONAL GRAIN MARKETS HAVE ALSO BEEN HURT BY A LACK OF ORDERS. THE WORLD'S TWO LARGEST PURCHASERS OF WHEAT, THE SOVIET UNION AND CHINA, DO NOT EXPECT TO BUY ANY FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. THE SOVIETS ARE HARVESTING A 260-MILLION-TONNE WHEAT CROP, THE BEST IN THE COUNTRY'S HISTORY, WHILE CHINA SAYS ITS WHEAT PRODUCTION IS GOOD THIS YEAR.

CANADIAN FARMERS ARE IN THE MIDST OF THE SECOND-LARGEST WHEAT HARVEST IN THE COUNTRY'S HISTORY. STATISTICS CANADA ESTIMATES IT AT 28.6 MILLION TONNES, 17 PERCENT ABOVE LAST YEAR'S PRODUCTION.

THE LACK OF SALES IS REPORTEDLY CAUSING CHAOS AMONG CANADIAN FARMERS. ABOUT 20 PERCENT OF CANADA'S 320,000 FARMS ARE CLASSIFIED AS WHEAT FARMS, AND WHEAT ALONE CONTRIBUTES ABOUT ONE PERCENT TO CANADA'S GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT.

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#90250h0134 09/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
PYONGYANG (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - THE FOREIGN MINISTRY OF THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA (DPRK) DEMANDED THE UNITED STATES TO PHASE OUT ITS TROOPS AND NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN SOUTH KOREA.

IN A STATEMENT ISSUED HERE TODAY, THE MINISTRY SAID THAT FACING THE PRESSURE FROM THE KOREAN PEOPLE AND THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD, THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN SAYING THAT IT WOULD PULL OUT ITS TROOPS FROM SOUTH KOREA IN STAGES AND TRANSFER THE RIGHT OF COMMAND TO SOUTH KOREA.

IN FACT, HOWEVER, IT IS NOT ONLY STREGTHENING ITS MILITARY FORCES IN SOUTH KOREA, BUT ALSO PLOTTING TO STAY THERE FOR A LONG PERIOD.

THE PRESENCE OF THE U.S. FORCES IN SOUTH KOREA WILL NOT BE CONDUCIVE TO MAINTAINING PEACE ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA. RATHER, IT WILL BE THE FUNDAMENTAL OBSTACLE IN THE WAY TO SOLVE THE KOREAN PROBLEM, THE STATEMENT SAID.

IT POINTED OUT THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS NO GROUND TO KEEP ITS FORCES IN SOUTH KOREA UNDER THE PRETEXT OF "DEALING WITH THE THREAT OF AGGRESSION FROM THE DPRK," BECAUSE THE DPRK GOVERNMENT HAS DECLARED MORE THAN ONCE THAT IT WILL NEVER INVADE SOUTH KOREA.

THE STATEMENT STRESSED THAT THE UNITED STATES SHOULD PRODUCE A TIMETABLE FOR THE PULLOUT OF ITS TROOPS AND NUCLEAR WEAPONS FROM SOUTH KOREA SO AS TO GO WITH THE INTERNATIONAL TREND OF DISARMAMENT AND RELAXATION.

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#90250h0173 09/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (SEPT. 7) XINHUA - FRENCH DEFENSE MINISTER JEAN-PIERRE CHEVENEMENT ARRIVED HERE TONIGHT FOR TALKS WITH EGYPTIAN LEADERS ON THE GULF CRISIS.

HE WAS MET AT THE AIRPORT BY HIS EGYPTIAN COUNTERPART YUSSEF ASABRI ABU TALEB.

DURING HIS TWO-DAY VISIT, THE FRENCH MINISTER WILL MEET WITH PRESIDENT HOSNI MUBARAK IN THE MEDITERRANEAN CITY OF ALEXANDRIA ON THE LATEST DEVELOPMENT OF THE GULF CRISIS.

HE ALSO WILL HOLD TALKS WIH ABU TALEB ON THE GULF SITUATION AND BILATERAL COOPERATION IN THE MILITARY FIELD.

FRANCE HAS SENT MORE THAN 3,000 TROOPS AND SEVERAL WARSHIPS, INCLUDING AN AIRCRAFT CARRIER, TO THE GULF TO JOIN THE U.S. LED MULTINATIONAL ARMADA ASSEMBLED THERE AFTER THE OUTSET OF THE GULF CRISIS EARLY LAST MONTH.

EGYPT HAS DISPTCHED 4,000 TROOPS TO SAUDI ARABIA AND HUNDREDS OF TROOPS TO THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES AS PART OF AN ARAB FORCE TO DEFEND THE TWO GULF COUNTRIES AGAINST POSSIBLE IRAQI ATTACKS.

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Nightline (ABC) September 6, 1990 (Transcript #2424)

Israel and the Persian Gulf Crisis: Arafat Senior Adviser Bassam Abu Sharif and Joseph Alpher of the Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies discuss the Israeli role in the Persian Gulf crisis. What worries does it have about increased U.S.-Arab affiliation? And what is the status of the Palestinian resistance movement and the promised but long-delayed negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians?

Larry King Live (CNN) September 6, 1990 (Transcript #124)

Can the U.S. Afford a War in the Persian Gulf? / Is the Military at War with Lesbians in the Service?: A debate between Harvard economist Robert Reich and former OMB economist Lawrence Kudlow on the effect of the Persian Gulf crisis on the U.S. deficit; and a discussion between lesbian and former Army reservist Mary Ann Humphrey and Brian Mitchell of Navy Times on whether lesbians and gays should be allowed in the U.S. military.

Crossfire (CNN) September 6, 1990 (Transcript #134)

The Drug War - One Year Later: Drug Policy Director William Bennett discusses the war on drugs a year after it was declared.

Primetime Live (ABC) September 6, 1990 (Transcript #157)

''Satan or Savior?'' (Dallas cult leader Terri Lee Hoffman is suspected in the deaths of some of her supporters); ''All Charged Up...'' (the electric car has been around for a while, but it still hasn't come into its own); ''Too Much to Bear?'' (portrait of a classic type-A personality -- Chicago Bears coach Mike Ditka); also: a look at living conditions for American soldiers in Saudi Arabia, and a sketch of Bert Parks as he returns to the Miss America Pageant.

Oprah Winfrey Show September 6, 1990 (Transcript #1039)

Deadbeat Dads: County Prosecutor Michael Heavican, Assistant Public Defender Susan Tast and Deputy Court Attorney Jodi Nelson debate whether or not a jail sentence helps or hinders in forcing deadbeat dads to pay child support. Attorney Dennis Cohen offers advice to women who need to collect money from their ex-husbands.

Moneyline (CNN) September 6, 1990 (Transcript #178)

The Persian Gulf crisis continues to dominate world markets; real estate problems, now pervasive in New England, are spreading to the Southeast and Mid-Atlantic; families coast-to-coast can now hook up to information services 'round the clock at a flat fee through Prodigy; the new fleets of U.S. autos must now average 27.5 miles a gallon by law, and several bills planned for the Senate would increase that standard to 34 miles a gallon by 1995 and 40 by the end of the decade; consumers bought enough school clothes and other small-ticket items during August to soften summertime blues for retailers; there are more rumors and Tokyo investors seem more willing to trade on them; money manager Richard Eagle sees a somewhat rosier tone to the market despite today's hefty drop.

Good Morning America (ABC) September 6, 1990 (Transcript #1104)

Iraq's call for holy war; seismic facts of life; Larry Farmer's Kuwaiti basketball; summer box office; Larry King interview; buying a panic button; Saturday night; MTV Video Awards; passive- smoking alarm; Susan Lucci interview.

Donahue September 6, 1990 (Transcript #3028)

Test-Tube Triangle: Surrogate Sues to Keep Baby: Surrogate mothers, biological parents, attorneys, and a medical expert discuss who should win custody in a dispute between a surrogate mother and the biological parents.

Geraldo September 6, 1990 (Transcript #776)

Blood Money (Repeat-#635): Guests discuss how lust for insurance benefits or an inheritance often leads to family violence. Several cases are examined, including the story of Murder in Little Egypt by Darcy O'Brien.

Sally Jessy Raphael September 6, 1990 (Transcript #524)

Prison Loves (Repeat-#469): Sally and panel discuss having a lover or husband in prison, the problems of visiting and dealing with arbitrary prison rules and how they cope with their situations. One panelist talks about not being allowed to visit her boyfriend in prison, another woman says she'll commit suicide if her husband, a convicted murderer on death row, is executed. Two women who became lesbian lovers when they were in prison talk about their life together and their children.

48 Hours (CBS) September 6, 1990 (Transcript #125)

On Easy Street (Beverly Hills) (Repeat-#101): A look at the lives of the rich and famous residents of Beverly Hills, Los Angeles, the glittering capital of consicuous consumption.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) September 6, 1990 (Transcript #164)

Fighting Crime in New York: Mayor Dinkins answers critics who say that he acted poorly after the murder of a young tourist -- this as the City Council bypasses the Mayor with its own plan to put 5,000 more cops on the streets.

Friday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Maniac Murderer Terrorizes Gainesville Students Sally Jessy Raphael: ''He Won't Marry Me'' (R) Geraldo: Secret Sex Lives of Hollywood's Love Idols (R) Oprah Winfrey: UFOs

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OSAKA (SEPT. 7) KYODO - DAIHATSU MOTOR CO. SAID FRIDAY THAT IT HAS AGREED WITH ITALIAN MOTORCYCLE MAKER PIAGGIO TO JOINTLY PRODUCE TRUCKS AND VANS IN ITALY STARTING IN THE FALL OF 1992.

THIS IS THE FIRST PHASE OF DAIHATSU'S PLAN TO PRODUCE VEHICLES IN EUROPE AFTER THE 1992 INTEGRATION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY MARKET, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE TWO COMPANIES PLAN TO ASSEMBLE 20,000 TO 25,000 DAIHATSU HIJET TRUCKS AND VANS ANNUALLY AT A PIAGGIO PLANT IN PISA.

THE PRODUCTION VOLUME WILL BE RAISED GRADUALLY TO 36,000 UNITS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

ENGINES AND OTHER PARTS WILL BE IMPORTED FROM JAPAN.

THE OFFICIALS SAID A DETAILED CONTRACT HAS NOT BEEN FINALIZED, BUT THE PARTNERS WILL EQUALLY SHARE THE OUTPUT, MOSTLY FOR SALE IN ITALY.

PIAGGIO, ESTABLISHED IN 1884 IN PISA, IS CAPITALIZED AT ABOUT 20 BILLION YEN. ITS 1988 ANNUAL SALES WERE ABOUT 93 BILLION YEN.

DAIHATSU ENTERED NEGOTIATIONS WITH PIAGGIO AFTER IT WITHDREW IN MAY FROM A PLAN TO PRODUCE VEHICLES IN POLAND.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 7) KYODO - NISSAN MOTOR CO. SAID FRIDAY IT WILL DISPATCH A MISSION TO EUROPE TO STUDY THE POSSIBILITY OF USING MORE FOREIGN SEMICONDUCTORS IN ITS AUTOMOBILES.

THE MISSION, COMPRISING ENGINEERS FROM TOKYO AND OFFICIALS FROM CHIP DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT COMPANIES IN EUROPE, WILL VISIT FOUR CHIP MAKERS, INCLUDING PHILIPS BV OF THE NETHERLANDS AND SIEMENS AG OF WEST GERMANY, SEPTEMBER 10-14.

THE DELEGATION, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND TO BE SENT TO EUROPE BY A JAPANESE AUTO MANUFACTURER, WILL ALSO VISIT THREE AMERICAN COMPANIES SEPTEMBER 17-21 BEFORE IT RETURNS TO TOKYO.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 7) KYODO - AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER BOB HAWKE WILL VISIT JAPAN FROM SEPTEMBER 16 TO 20 FOR TALKS WITH JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU, THE FOREIGN MINISTRY SAID FRIDAY.

WHILE IN TOKYO, HAWKE WILL ATTEND PART OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE SCHEDULED HERE SEPTEMBER 17-21, OFFICIALS SAID.

HAWKE LAST VISITED JAPAN IN DECEMBER 1987.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 7) KYODO - THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY ON FRIDAY REVEALED DETAILS OF A FIVE-YEAR ALUMINUM CAN RECYCLING PROMOTION PLAN.

A TOTAL OF 148,000 TONS OF BEVERAGE CANS WERE USED IN FISCAL 1989. OF THAT, 63,000 TONS OR 42.6 PERCENT WERE RECOVERED BY ALUMINUM INTERESTS, WHILE THE REMAINING 85,000 TONS OF CANS WERE DISCARDED, MITI OFFICIALS SAID

MITI HAS FORMULATED A PLAN TO STEP UP THE RECYCLING OF ALUMINUM CANS BY ESTABLISHING WASTE CAN RECOVERY CHANNELS, IN THE HOPE THAT THE RECOVERY RATIO WILL BE INCREASED TO THE U.S. LEVEL OF ABOUT 60 PERCENT AFTER FOUR YEARS. THE PLAN IS TO BE INITIATED IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR ENDING NEXT MARCH.

UNDER THE PLAN, DISPOSABLE CAN COLLECTION CENTERS WILL BE BUILT ON A TRIAL BASIS IN SOME DENSELY BUILT-UP AREAS AND LARGE HOUSING COMPLEXES WHERE IT HAS BEEN DIFFICULT TO COLLECT THEM FOR RECYCLING.

COLLECTION FACILITIES WILL BE INSTALLED AT CONSUMER COOPERATIVE CENTERS, RAILWAY STATIONS, SUPERMARKETS, LIQUOR STORES, AND GAS STATIONS.

AFTER AN ANALYSIS OF THE DATA DERIVED FROM SUCH TESTS, MITI WILL START A FULL-SCALE CAMPAIGN FOR COLLECTION OF THE CANS TWO YEARS LATER.

SOME MAJOR JAPANESE ALUMINUM CAN MAKERS ARE ALREADY COLLECTING WASTE ALUMINUM CANS FOR RECYCLING.

THE SEVEN MAJOR JAPANESE ALUMINUM CAN MANUFACTURERS LIKE NIPPON LIGHT METAL CO.HAVE DECIDED THAT SEVEN RECYCLING CENTERS SHOULD BE SET UP ACROSS THE COUNTRY IN 1990 -- ONE CENTER EACH AT ONE OF THEIR PLANTS -- TO STEP UP RECYCLING.

MITI ALSO DECIDED TO WORK TO DEVELOP ALUMINUM CAN PAINTS MOST APPROPRIATE FOR RECYCLING, AND IMPROVED TECHNOLOGY FOR SMELTING WASTE CANS.

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#90250k0106 09/07/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 7) KYODO - A NORTH KOREAN SOLDIER DEFECTED TO A NAVAL FACILITY IN NORTHWESTERN SOUTH KOREA ON A RUBBER BOAT FRIDAY, THE DEFENSE MINISTRY SAID.

THE MINISTRY IDENTIFIED THE SOLDIER AS LEE DUK NAM, A 24-YEAR-OLD MEMBER OF AN ARMY RECONNAISSANCE UNIT.

HE ARRIVED AT A SURVEILLANCE FACILITY OF THE SOUTH KOREAN NAVY ON PAENGNYONG-DO ISLAND OFF SOUTH KOREA'S NORTHWEST COAST AFTER ESCAPING FROM A DIVING EXERCISE AT CHANGSAN-GOT CAPE IN NORTH KOREA, 20 KILOMETERS AWAY, THE MINISTRY SAID.

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ULAN BATOR (SEPT. 7) KYODO - MONGOLIA'S LEGISLATURE ELECTED OPPOSITION LEADER RADNAASUMBERELIIN GONCHIGDORJ AS VICE PRESIDENT FRIDAY.

GONCHIGDORJ, A LEADER OF THE NO. 2 OPPOSTION SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY, PRIME MINISTER SHARAVYN GUNGAADORJ, WHO WAS BACKED BY THE RULING MONGOLIAN PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY PARTY, AND SANJAASURENGIYN DZORIG, CHIEF COORDINATOR OF THE TOP OPPOSITION MONGOLIAN DEMOCRATIC UNION, RAN IN THE ELECTION CONTEST.

IN THE FIRST ROUND OF VOTING ALL OF THE CANDIDATES FAILED TO GARNER A SIMPLE MAJORITY OF VOTES.

IN A RUNOFF ELECTION BETWEEN GONCHIGDORJ AND DZORIG, GONCHIGDORJ GAINED 279 VOTES TO DEFEAT DZORIG, WHO WON 140 VOTES.

GONCHIGDORJ IS THE CHIEF OF THE INSTITUTE OF MATHEMATICS OF MONGOLIA'S ACADEMY OF SCIENCES AND CHAIRMAN OF THE MONGOLIAN DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISM MOVEMENT, ESTABLISHED EARLY THIS YEAR, AND HAS BEEN AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT

IN THE PRO-DEMOCRACY MOVEMENT.

THE VICE PRESIDENT ALSO SERVES AS CHAIRMAN OF THE NEW SMALL HURAL, THE STANDING LEGISLATURE, WHICH DRAFTS LEGISLATION AND MAKES DAY-TO-DAY ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS.

THE 430-SEAT PEOPLE'S GREAT HURAL WAS CONVENED FOR ITS INAUGURAL SESSION MONDAY AND ELECTED PUNSALMMAAGIYN OCHIRBAT AS THE FIRST PRESIDENT UNDER THE NEW PARLIAMENTARY SYSTEM OF MONGOLIA, FOLLOWING THE NATION'S FIRST-EVER FREE ELECTION IN JULY.

OPPOSITION PARTIES HOLD ONLY 10 PERCENT OF THE 430S SEAT IN THE LEGISLATURE.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 7) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

Currency "trading is quiet [in London]. It is difficult to move before the U.S. unemployment data," says MAKOTO ARATAKE, customer dealer at the BANK OF TOKYO in London. "If the data are as bad as we are expecting, U.S. securities markets will probably react strongly. But the foreign exchange markets may only show a limited reaction as they have already discounted bad numbers to some extent." (Reuters, 9/7)

"If some shooting occurs in the Middle East, probably the dollar will strengthen," says MARTIN RIEBEN, chief currency dealer at SWISS BANK CORP. "But, I think, only very short-term." ("Nightly Business Report", 9/6)

"The dollar is too weak to ease now," says EARL JOHNSON of HARRIS TRUST & SAVINGS BANK. He feels that the Fed has to keep rates relatively high to attract the foreign investment needed to finance our huge debt. ("Investor's Daily", 9/7)

ELLIOTT PLATT, economic research director DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE, believes that "monetary policy is contingent first and foremost upon inflation," and therefore the Fed will not ease immediately. He says, "Any further policy easing will be deferred until ... the consumer price index for August will be published." He predicts that a resolution of the crisis in the Middle East would "result in a rather quick [downward] adjustment of yields." ("Investor's Daily", 9/7)

JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA, director of research at GRUNTAL & CO., says the Fed is

unlikely to ease interest rates any more than one-quarter percent any time soon and that such a small move "just won't do" to stimulate the economy because it would not translate to big cuts in consumer credit "The consumer is the engine in the economy. You've got to help him if you want the economy to grow. If you don't help him, whether the banks borrow at a quarter-point less or more than they did yesterday has no meaning." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/6)

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN reiterated his stand against inflation yesterday, but most analysts said the statements released have not substantively changed Fed policy. "In a sense, this was nothing new," says KENNETH KIM of STONE & McCARTHY, and WILLIAM SULLIVAN of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS concurred, saying, "It tells me nothing about his current thinking on monetary policy." ("Investor's Daily", 9/7)

"The Fed will ease at some point, whether it is today or later in September," says DAVID JONES, chief economist at AUBREY G. LANSTON. Jones also sees a lowering of the discount rate in the fourth- quarter, which will sharply push down short-term rates as the Fed fights recession. But long-term rates could be headed higher: "We have oil prices shocks which keep long term rates high. We have high long-term rates in the rest of the world, which are hurting the dollar." Jones says the G-7 nations are likely to meet to discuss the impact of Fed easing on the dollar. "[The G-7] wants to keep the dollar from falling in a disorderly way," says Jones, who believes that allowing the dollar to "float down" will aid U.S. exports. (CNN "Business Morning", 9/7)

"Inflation everywhere will go somewhat higher in the near-term, because of higher oil prices," says currency analyst NICHOLAS SARGEN of SALOMON BROTHERS. "But, people are seeing the foreign central banks likely to tighten, and they're seeing the Fed most likely easing, and that raises more general questions about confidence." ("Nightly Business Report", 9/6)

"Everybody has already factored a relatively small increase in employment into [bond] prices," says KRISTEN FOSTER of CITICORP INVESTMENT BANK. "Yields won't fall much if the number is as anticipated [83,000 or fewer new non-farm jobs.] But we could see quite a reversal in short-term note and bill rates if the numbers are much stronger than expected." (NYT, 9/7)

THE ECONOMY:

The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS has predicted that the Persian Gulf crisis will result in a mild recession. JERRY JASINOWSKI, president of the organization, says that while the situation is "a crisis in a political and human sense, I think it is an overstatement to indicate it's a crisis in an economic sense." The association predicts a decline in GNP of about $45 billion, or less than one percentage point. Inflation will peak at 6.3% in the first quarter of 1991. Unemployment will climb to

6.4%. ("Investor's Daily", 9/7)

Retail analyst JANET MANGANO of JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL & CO. says yesterday's mediocre sales figures reported by major retailers is not a surprise. "What's happen recently is that we are seeing rises in unemployment, we're seeing a higher cost of living and naturally this is going to take a toll on any kind of consumer-related issue where discretionary spending is involved." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/6)

"I think that the retail environment faces a challenging Christmas season " says JEFFREY LUKER of ARTHUR ANDERSON & CO. "I would say that the list of retailers reporting disappointing sales is growing," says JEFFREY EDELMAN of BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD. "We are in a consumer slowdown. And before it's over, we're going to have more disappointments." (NYT, 9/7)

"The Washington Post" reports this morning that many experts now believe oil prices will stay higher for some time even with other OPEC members making up for oil lost in the embargo of IRAQ and KUWAIT. "If the situation doesn't get any worse, we'll stay in the low $30-a-barrel range " says ROGER GALE, president of WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL ENERGY GROUP. "I think the crisis is beginning to bite," says ARNOLD SAFER, president of ENERGY FUTURES GROUP, another consulting firm in Washington. "The expectation of a prolonged stalemate, on the political side, on the military side, are beginning to settle on the market." ("The Washington Post", 9/7)

"The New York Times" says several analysts see the oil market as "setting itself up for the possibility of a fast slide" in prices if stockpiles being accumulated turn out not to be needed. "People don't understand what the implications of war are and they don't understand what the implications of peace are," says ROBIN WEST, president of the PETROLEUM FINANCE COMPANY of Washington. "The market as a whole is very unclear as to what the equilibrium price really should be and it is fishing, so to speak," says ROBERT BOSLEGO, an oil analyst in Lexington, Mass. ((NYT, 9/7)

"The pressures are on the upside" for oil prices, according to STANLEY HARBISON of SCUDDER, STEVENS & CLARK. "Our outlook now is for prices moving between the upper 20s and the mid 30s." But he

also points out that with an outbreak of war, "all bets are off, and the prices could soar much higher." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/6)

"Anything that would shut down the export of any Arab oil to this country would have a bullish effect on the [oil] market," says VIRGINIA WIATER, an oil trader for UNITED ENERGY. "People are nervous about that." (CNN "Moneyline", 9/6)

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reported yesterday that business spending on equipment and factories will increase 5.1%, 4 points lower than was earlier projected. This slowdown "signals caution" on the part of many businesses, according to RICHARD BERNER, an economist at SALOMON BROTHERS. Commerce also pointed out that better than two-thirds of the companies surveyed responded before the problems in the Middle East began, meaning that the number could fall further still, but Berner discounted this notion. While the U.S. presence there adds "a note of uncertainty" to peoples plans, and may serve to make them more cautious, he says "the Middle East crisis was the final straw in the context of a weak economy." ("Investor's Daily", 9/7)

IN WASHINGTON:

The FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP.'s latest report on the health of the banking system says New England has already replaced the Southwest as the region with the most rapidly growing real estate problems and says the troubles are now spreading down the Atlantic Coast. FDIC CHAIRMAN WILLIAM SEIDMAN says it is too soon to tell whether the problems will lead to more bank failures, but adds that "in the areas where we're having the real problems, things are getting worse." ("The Washington Post", 9/7)

The FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION is charging CAPITAL CITIES-ABC and the COLLEGE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION will illegally conspiring to limit the number of college football games shown on television. (NYT, 9/7)

"No one knows how long the embargo will take to really have some bite in the Iraqi economy," says SEN. RICHARD LUGAR (R. - Ind.). He says Iraq may have supplies for as long as six months and that with the military buildup seemingly in place for an extended period, the question of paying for the action becomes increasingly important. "We're going to have to keep calling on our friends until the proper contributions come forward," says Lugar. "We cannot bear the financial cost of this alone. The American people will not tolerate that, nor should the American government." Lugar expects cuts in domestic programs, and further "revenue enhancement." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/6)

"I do expect to get capital gains, I do expect to get some kind of I.R.A., I do expect to get a child tax credit," says House Minority Whip REP. NEWT GRINRICH (R. - Georgia). "But I will not agree to an income tax increase period." Other Republican leaders were more cautious about ruling out solutions to the deficit reduction problems. "As far as I know, everything's on the table," says Senate Majority Leader SEN. BOB DOLE (R. - Kansas), who says nothing has

CLEVELAND (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - At 12:22 a.m. today operators at the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company's (NYSE: CVX) Perry Power Plant in Lake County completed a shutdown of the nuclear reactor, officially beginning the plant's second refueling/maintenance outage. The outage is expected to last three to four months.

During that time, workers will replace one-third of the 74B uranium fuel bundles in the plant's reactor. The remaining two-thirds of the fuel, in which energy is less depleted, will be repositioned within the reactor core.

In addition to refueling, the outage provides an opportunity for maintenance and testing of systems throughout the plant which are required to be operating when the plant is on-line. This work includes about 1,200 equipment tests, over 1,200 maintenance tasks, 70 system design changes and 500 surveillance tests.

Michael Lyster, vice president -- Perry Nuclear, notes that maintenance work performed during Perry's last refueling outage contributed to the plant's excellent operating record over the last thirteen months.

"During Perry's second cycle, the plant was available to generate power 97 percent of the time and had a capacity factor 95 percent," says Lyster. "This compares very favorably with industry averages."

An operating cycle refers to the period of operations between plant refueling outages. Power plant performance is commonly measured by capacity factor, which compares a plant's actual output with its maximum potential output, expressed as a percentage.

During the Perry Plant's second cycle, the plant achieved several operations milestones. The plant generated electricity for 233 continuous days, setting a worldwide record for second-cycle generation for power plants similar to Perry. Additionally, the plant had four of its best six months for total electricity generation: March (910,397,000 kilowatt-hours); May (919,793,000 kilowatt-hours), June (885,969,000 kilowatt-hours); and July (913,113,000 kilowatt-hours). Perry's record for the most electricity generated within a 24-hour period was set on March 20 at 30,277,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity.

Now that the high summer demand for electricity has subsided, electrical service to CEI customers can be maintained by the company's other power plants, and by power purchased from other utilities, if needed.

The Perry plant is owned by a consortium of five electric utilities and is operated by the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, a subsidiary of Centerior Energy Corporation (NYSE: CX).

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PARAMOUNT, CA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Albert N. Greenfield, chairman of the board of directors, and James H. Cheney, president and chief executive officer of Mechanics National Bank, announced today that the bank has extended its public offering of common stock and convertible subordinated debentures.

The bank is offering up to 166,667 shares of common stock at $12.00 per share and up to $3,000,000 of convertible subordinated debentures. Each debenture has a face value of $1,000 and a coupon rate of 9.25 percent per annum. The debentures, which have a term of 15 years, will be convertible into common stock at any time, on or before maturity at a conversion price of $15.00 per share.

The offering was to expire today unless extended by the bank in its discretion, and bank has decided to extend the offering until Oct. 1, 1990. All subscriptions received to date will remain in the escrow account and continue to earn interest until the close of the offering.

Questions about the offering can be answered, and copies of the Mechanics National Bank offering circular can acquired by calling the sales center at 213-529-2800 or 800-662-6028. Ask to speak to a broker about Mechanics National Bank.

This announcement is neither an offer to sell nor a solicitation of an offer to buy common stock or debentures. The offer is made only through the offering circular.

These securities are not deposits and are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. The debentures are subordinate to the claims of depositors and other creditors as more fully described in the offering circular.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - JPS Textile Group, Inc. announced today that it has amended the terms of, and has extended until midnight, New York City time, on Thursday, Sept. 20, 1990 the expiration date, consent solicitation and withdrawal rights relating to the following: (i) its pending offer to purchase all of its outstanding senior variable rate

notes due 1996, senior subordinated discount notes due 1999, and 15-1/4 percent senior subordinated notes due 1999; (ii) its pending offer to exchange its 14-1/4 percent subordinated debentures due 2000; and (iii) its pending offer to purchase all outstanding shares of its Series A exchangeable adjustable rate preferred stock.

JPS is now offering in respect of each $1,000 principal amount of its outstanding notes which are validly tendered and accepted for payment: $850 net in cash for the senior notes; $190.22 net in cash and 1.70 shares of JPS common stock for the discount notes; and $400 net in cash and 1.45 shares of JPS common stock for the subordinated notes. JPS is now offering to exchange $1,000 principal amount of its 6 percent (PIK) debentures and 1.21 shares of JPS common stock for each $1,000 principal amount of its outstanding subordinated debentures which is validly surrendered and accepted for exchange. The consideration being offered in respect of the Series A preferred stock remains $10 net per share in cash.

As a condition to the valid tender of the senior notes, discount notes, subordinated notes, subordinated debentures and shares of Series A preferred stock, holders are still required to consent to certain proposed amendments to the indentures under which the debt securities were issued and certain related instruments in connection with the Series A preferred stock and the subordinated debentures. In addition, the offers are conditioned on a minimum tender of at least 95 percent of each outstanding class of such JPS securities.

As of the close of business on Sept. 6, 1990, approximately $1,600,000 in outstanding principal amount of the senior notes had been tendered for purchase and not withdrawn, and no other JPS securities had been tendered pursuant to the offers.

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#90250p2246 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBURY, NY (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Olsten Corporation (AMEX: OLS) and The Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) today announced an agreement under which Olsten will acquire all the stock of Upjohn's subsidiary, Upjohn HealthCare Services, Inc.

The acquisition is subject to, among other things, the receipt of legal and regulatory approvals. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Upjohn HealthCare Services provides home health care and supplemental staffing to hospitals, nursing homes and other health care settings. The sale includes operations in the U.S. and Canada. Upjohn HealthCare

Services accounted for $182 million in sales in 1989, which represented 6 percent of consolidated Upjohn sales.

The acquisition will increase Olsten's health care network by more than 200 offices. It positions Olsten as a fully networked North American home care staffing and specialty health services enterprise.

Olsten will use the acquisition to capitalize on the dynamic and rapidly expanding home health services and staffing market in North America. The acquisition of Upjohn HealthCare Services will also enhance Olsten's ability to expand with new service and product offerings.

The Upjohn Company is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care products, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds, and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, Mich., the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

Founded in 1950 by William Olsten, active chairman of the board, The Olsten Corporation is celebrating 40 years of service. Olsten, under its trade names Olsten Health Care Services and Olsten Temporary Services, is the third largest temporary help provider in the industry. In 1989, it employed 325,000 temporary workers in business, industry, government, and health care throughout its network of 550 owned, franchised, and licensed offices in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Canada, and Puerto Rico; the acquisition will increase that number to 750. Combined sales in 1989, including those of franchisees, equaled $761 million; the acquisition of the Upjohn network is expected to propel annualized sales in excess of $1 billion, with health care representing approximately 30 percent.

The company reported corporate revenues in 1989 of $580 million and net income of $18 million and recently reported revenues of $299 million and net income of $8 million for the first six months of 1990. Olsten's first public offering took place in 1968, and its shares began trading on the American Stock Exchange in 1982.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Caesars World Inc. (NYSE: CAW) today announced it is extending its pending tender offer for any and all of the 2,175,945 shares of Caesars New Jersey Inc. (AMEX: CJN) it does not already own. Caesars World holds approximately 86.6 percent of Caesars New Jersey's 16,261,531 outstanding shares.

The $22-per-share tender offer, which was scheduled to expire on Sept. 7, 1990, will now expire at 12:00 midnight (New York Time) on Sept. 21, 1990, unless further extended. As previously announced, Caesars World has agreed in principle to a settlement of the lawsuits brought by certain Caesars New Jersey shareholders in connection with the tender offer. Under terms of the settlement, Caesars World has agreed, among other things, to make an additional cash payment of 25 cents per share to shareholders of Caesars New Jersey whose shares are purchased in the tender offer, payable at the time of final court approval of the settlement. Caesars World expressly reserves the right to further extend the offer until such approval is granted. The final court approval is not expected to occur for at least two months.

Caesars World said that the New Jersey Casino Control Commission has scheduled a hearing on Sept. 19, 1990, to consider a petition filed by a Caesars New Jersey shareholder alleging, among other things, that the $22-per-share offer price is understated. The petition seeks declaratory and other relief. Caesars World has been informed that the purpose of the hearing is soley to determine whether the petitioner has standing to bring the matter before the commission.

The company said the offer continues to be subject to all terms and conditions in the offering materials previously distributed to shareholders. Caesars World also has reserved all of its previously specified rights, including the right to terminate the offer, as described in such offering materials.

As of the close of business on Sept. 6, 1990, approximately 1,783,567 shares had been tendered pursuant to the offer.

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CULVER CITY, CALIF. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Information International GRAFIX Limited, which operates in Europe as a wholly owned subsidiary of Information International Inc. (triple-I) (NASDAQ: IINT), has changed its name and is now incorporated as Information International Inc. Limited (III-Ltd.).

"The name change is part of a broad marketing plan to clarify and develop Information International's presence and image in Europe," said Mike Daniels, managing director of III-Ltd. in Egham, Surrey, England. "By simplifying the name, we will have readier association with the corporate parent."

Information International has experienced significant European sales

during the past year, including a milestone installation of triple-I's new state-of-the-art, integrated InfoFAX Facsimile System at The Independent in England. Other U.K. customers include Oxford and County Newspapers, The North West Auto Trader and Midland Auto Mart and Trader, Bucks Examiner, Ltd., and Lancashire Publications. Installations on the Continent included Maury Imprimeur, Sogitec, Office d'Announces, France Telecom, and Berger-Levrault, France; aller Press and Bladforlaget, Denmark; and Krupp Lonrho Druckereibetriebe and FEG, Germany.

"We expect to see important advances in the European publishing market, particularly in facsimile scanning and recording," noted Daniels. "Information International will demonstrate its commitment to its customers and the European community by setting up service branches in France and Germany in the next few months where we expect to have significant presence," he continued.

Information International Inc. Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of Information International Inc. (NASDAQ: IINT). The company designs, manufactures, markets, and services computer- based systems that automate prepress production in newspaper, magazine, technical, financial, and catalog publishing.

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RICHMOND, VA. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Circuit City Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CC) today announced August sales of $187.4 million, which represents a 16 percent increase fron August 1989 sales of $161.3 million and comparable store sales that were equal to the prior year's.

Sales for the second quarter ended August 31, 1990, were $555.1 million, up 18 percent from $471.6 million in the second quarter of last year. Comparable store sales for the quarter increased 2 percent.

"We were disappointed by August's sales growth," said Richard L. Sharp, Circuit City's president and chief executive officer. "However, we believe that the results reflect the consumer's current uncertainty about the economy. We continue to expect comparable store sales growth averaging in the low single digits for the full year."

During the month, Circuit City opened four Superstores, including its third store in Phoenix, Ariz. One Superstore opened in Fort Meyers, Fla. and Superstores replaced consumer electronics-only stores in Louisville, Ky., and Columbia, S.C. The company also opened one mall-based Impulse store in August. During the upcoming third quarter, Circuit City expects to open an additional 20 Superstores, including its six-store entry into

the St. Louis, Mo., market. Sharp also announced the company's first new market for fiscal 1992. Circuit City will enter Dallas, Texas, early next fiscal year with six Superstores.

In addition to the sales and store opening announcements, Sharp said that Circuit City had agreed in principle to settle its suit against the third-party provider of its private-label credit card. Under the terms of the agreement, Circuit City obtained access to sufficient cardholder information to solicit the present cardholder based for Circuit City's new private-label credit card.

Circuit City Stores, Inc. is the nation's largest specialty retailer of brand-name consumer electronics and major applicances. With headquarters in Richmond, Va., it operates 138 Superstores, 16 Circuit City stores and five Impulse mall stores in the Eastern United States and in California, Nevada and Arizona.

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#90250p2262 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SECAUCUS, NJ (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Vikonics Inc. (NASDAQ: VKSI), headquartered here, today announced the company has recently been awarded security system contracts from the Department of Treasury - U.S. Customs Service and The Architect of the U.S. Capitol totaling approximately $250,000.

John L. Kaufman, president and chairman of the board, stated: "These contracts represent the continuation of Vikonics' long-standing relationship with numerous U.S. Government agencies, including the Department of The Treasury, General Services Administration, and all branches of the Armed Forces.

"The system being installed at the U.S. Capitol is an upgrade of a Vikonics' system installed there in 1978. We anticipate an accelerated stream of such upgrades from these Government agencies, as well as new installations in the near future."

Vikonics Inc. designs, manufactures, markets, installs, and supports a line of sophisticated, computer based security systems. The company markets its systems to defense contractors and government agencies as well as general commercial customers.

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#90250p2264 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
LANSING, MICH. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T today announced that it has reorganized its small business equipment division, combining management of sales and service functions under one head. Shawn Grady has been named general manager responsible for managing the unified operation for Michigan.

"Our customers told us they wanted a single organization to meet all their communications equipment needs, and that's exactly what we have now," said Grady, whose new organization will be headquartered in East Lansing.

Michigan small business customers will continue to be served by the same AT&T sales and customer service (installation and maintenance) specialists already devoted to small business. Now those specialists will be managed by a single general manager.

"Our customers can still pick up the phone and dial 1-800-247-7000 to get help with any of their needs," Grady said. "What's changed is that by bringing all aspects of the small business market under a single manager I will be able to look across our entire sales and service operation to see how we can make it even easier for our customers to do business with us."

Grady will report to Curt Artis, vice president-sales and customer service for AT&T's 10-state central region.

AT&T's small business equipment division provides telephone systems and facsimiles to business customers with two to 80 lines.

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#90250p2266 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
YPSILANTI, MI (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The first electronic transmissions ever to go into General Motors light-duty trucks will debut in 1991 Chevrolet and GMC full-size pickups, suburbans, vans, chassis cabs, and motor homes.

The Hydra-matic Division of General Motors Corporation announced the introduction of its fourth electronically controlled transmission, the Hydra-matic 4L80-E. This 4-speed, rear-wheel drive, automatic transmission will be manufactured at the division's Willow Run facility in Ypsilanti.

The all-new, precision-engineered 4L80-E features pulling power approximately 50 percent greater than similar transmissions and fuel

efficiency enhanced by about 20 percent over its predecessor, according to Alexander H. Rasegan, general director of Product and Process Engineering.

"This transmission was specially designed to meet customers' needs for a fuel-efficient, yet hearty transmission capable of hauling heavy loads," Rasegan said.

In addition, electronic controls provide for remarkable shift precision and smoothness. "The 4L80-E is a 'smart' transmission in that a control module can sense and adjust for variation in temperature, altitude and engine performance, enhancing overall performance, fuel efficiency and reliability," Rasegan said. The Hydra-matic 4L80-E has been designed to eventually replace the current Hydra-matic 3L80 transmission, formerly the THM 400.

FACTS
Product Name: Hydra-matic 4L80-E.
Type: Electronically controlled, 4-speed, rear-wheel drive, automatic transmission with torque converter clutch.

HIGHLIGHTS:
- Fully electronic controls for shifting precision and smoothness.
- Transmission control module (TCM) senses variation in temperature, altitude and engine performance and automatically adjusts for smooth and consistent performance.
- An integrated powertrain optimizes fuel efficiency and emissions.
- New, high-efficiency, dual stator 310 mm torque converter, exclusive to the 4L80-E, provides greater fuel economy and increased low-speed torque.
- Electronic controls eliminate the need for governor and modulator systems which significantly reduces the mechanical complexity of the transmission.
- Electronically modulated torque converter clutch reduces clutch apply/release, resulting in decrease in perceived shift frequency.
- A pulse width modulated solenoid allows for a gradual apply/release of the torque converter clutch for increased driver comfort.

APPLICATIONS:
- 4.3 liter to 7.4 liter, gas and diesel, V6 to V8 engines.
- Passenger vehicles and light-duty trucks.
- Up to 16,500 lbs. GVWR and 19,000 lbs. GCWR.

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#90250p2269 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, GA. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Total System Services Inc. (NYSE: TSS), the Columbus, Ga.-based bankcard data processing company, today announced that a letter of intent had been signed with Circuit City Stores Inc. (NYSE: CC), Richmond, Va., to provide processing services for the Circuit City credit card.

Services to be provided by TSYS include credit application processing, billing, payment acceptance and record keeping for all accounts. Circuit City credit cards will be issued by Universal Bank, a credit card banking subsidiary of Synovus Financial Corp. (NYSE: SNV), the parent company of Total System Services Inc., pending the approval of Circuit City's application to establish a credit card bank in Georgia.

Circuit City is the nation's largest specialty retailer of consumer electronics and major appliances, operating over 150 stores with annual sales exceeding $2 billion.

TSYS currently provides credit card processing services for the 19 million accounts of 110 institutions in 33 states, Puerto Rico and Canada.

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#90250p2273 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Manville Corp. (NYSE: MVL) today said that it has entered into an agreement in principle to restructure the funding of the Manville Personal Injury Settlement Trust (Trust). The Trust was established to resolve all health claims arising from exposure to asbestos products formerly made by the company.

Company representatives, at the request of N.Y. District Judge Jack B. Weinstein and Chief Bankruptcy Judge Burton Lifland, worked with Leon Silverman, special advisor to the courts, to develop a plan which is subject to negotiation of definitive agreements by the parties. Major elements of the refinancing plan include:

- Special distributions to be paid to all common shareholders according to the following schedule, subject to certain conditions:

- $125 million payable 90 days after September 1, 1991, or after final non-appealable orders to accomplish a comprehensive rearrangement of methods for settling and paying asbestos health claims are received from the courts, whichever is later.

- $125 million payable one year after the first distribution.

- $50 million payable in each of the third and fourth years.

- All distributions after the initial $125 million are subject to the company arranging appropriate financing.

- Beginning in the fourth year and continuing through the seventh year, subject to a cumulative cap of $300 million, an annual additional distribution may be paid based on the company's performance.

- The Trust will convert its Series A convertible preferred stock to common which will result in the Trust's owning approximately 80 percent of Manville's approximately 120 million shares common stock.

The Trust currently holds approximately 50 percent of the outstanding common stock. Earnings per share have been calculated upon the assumption of this conversion since the company emerged from Chapter 11 in 1988.

- Manville will exchange new bonds for existing Manville bonds held by the Trust, in order to enhance their marketability while not changing the present value of the company's payment obligation under the bond.

The refinancing plan continues the 20 percent of net company profits to be paid to the Trust each year, beginning in 1992, which was part of the original funding plan.

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#90250p2274 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - North Ridge Medical Center has become the leader in biliary intervention procedures. The Federal Drug Administration approved a new procedure that may be useful in the non-surgical patient. By inserting a 3mm metal stent into a 1/8" incision with high-tech imaging under local anesthetic, the staff at North Ridge Medical Center has perfected this successful alternative to invasive surgery. This new Biliary Endoprosthesis Procedure allows bile to drain freely from the liver into the intestine when a blockage has been detected. North Ridge Medical Center staff has performed more of these stent implant procedures than any hospital in the Eastern U.S., and every case has been successful.

In most cases it is cancer of the pancreas, gall bladder, or biliary system that will cause a drain blockage of bile from the liver into the small intestine, although in some cases, cancer of the colon may cause a blockage. "It's wonderful," said Dr. Michael Rush, chief of radiology at North Ridge Medical Center, "that we now have a successful, relatively

painless alternative to invasive bypass surgery. Now we have the opportunity to offer a procedure that reduces recuperation time and eliminates the potential dangers of general anesthesia."

As in many medical breakthroughs, this metal stent insertion procedure has far-reaching possibilities. In Europe, doctors are already using this procedure as an alternative to often unsuccessful angioplasty to hold arteries and veins open. North Ridge Medical Center has made a dramatic impact on the medical future with the help of the Interventional Radiology Team and the entire medical staff.

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#90250p2276 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MICH. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - PHM Corporation (NYSE: PHM), Bloomfield Hills, announced today that its board of directors authorized a stock repurchase program to be implemented from time to time over the next 12 months at the discretion of management.

The resolution adopted by the board authorized the repurchase of a maximum of 1,000,000 shares during this time period through transactions in the open market or private negotiations, or any combination thereof. The shares will be purchased with cash on hand and then become authorized but unissued shares available for general corporate purposes. The company has retained Dillon, Read & Co., Inc. as its exclusive agent for the repurchase program.

"The stock repurchase program underscores our confidence in the company's long-term goals and strategies," said Harold K. Sperlich, chairman of the board and chief executive officer. "We believe that the repurchase program is an excellent investment for the company and a good use of available cash."

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#90250p2277 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNETONKA, MINN. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - LecTec Corporation (NASDAQ: LECT) today released its fiscal 1990 year-end sales and earnings. Revenues increased 6 percent over the previous year from $6.396MM to $6.788MM with earnings of $432,000. Fiscal 1990 earnings include a non-recurring after tax expense of $80,000 associated with the abandoned MEI (NYSE: MEI) merger expenses.

The company cited the acquisition and subsequent return to MEI of New Dimensions in Medicine (NDM) as the most significant event of the fiscal year. Acquired from Baxter Healthcare last November, LecTec managed NDM until July. According to LecTec President and CEO George B. Ingebrand; "The acquisition benefited LecTec in many ways. Our people gained valuable experience and knowledge with the opportunity to own, manage and work with a market leader in cardiac electrodes and electrosurgical supplies. With a renewed management focus on LecTec's operations, we believe earnings for fiscal year 1991 should exceed the level attained during fiscal year 1989."

LecTec continued its focus on international market penetration and reported overseas sales increased 16 percent over fiscal 1989. Planned investment in the medical tape program continued, consistent with the growth of this business segment. LecTec's position in the disposable diagnostic electrode market continued to be strengthened with the addition of new customers. One of the company's hydrogel technologies was successfully introduced to the retail market for non-medical use.

The company reported several new product introductions during the year including two medical tapes, a conductive material for use with cardiac pacing, neuromuscular stimulation, and functional stimulation equipment, as well as a new post operative pain relief electrode. LecTec also expanded its patented technology to cover the adaptation of its tab electrodes for additional uses and secured foreign patents covering transdermal drug delivery technology.

LecTec is a medical products company that develops, manufactures and markets non-invasive products including electrodes, tapes and transdermal drug delivery systems. The company is headquartered in Minnetonka, Minn., and is traded on NASDAQ.

LECTEC CORPORATION

	Three Months Ended		Year Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenues	$1,639,000	$1,594,000	$6,788,000	$6,396,000
Operating income	208,000	76,000	597,000	709,000
Net income	$57,000	$100,000	$432,000(1)	$626,000
Net income per share	$.02	$.03	$.14	$.20
Share outstanding	3,132,000	3,153,000	3,130,000	3,146,000

(1) Includes a non-recurring after tax expense of $80,000 associated with abandoned merger expenses.

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#90250p2280 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRADDOCK, PA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - A new era of world-class steel production in the Pittsburgh region was formally launched today as a contingent of government and civic leaders joined officials of USX Corp. (NYSE: X) at groundbreaking ceremonies for a continuous slab caster at the Edgar Thomson Plant of the USS Mon Valley Works.

The $250 million dual-strand caster is scheduled for completion in mid-1992. The Edgar Thomson caster will have capacity to produce 2.6 million tons annually of slabs up to ten inches thick.

Edgar Thomson, which was Andrew Carnegie's first steel mill, is the "hot end" of the Mon Valley Works. It produces slabs which the USS Irvin Plant in West Mifflin, Pa., rolls into finished flat-rolled steel products for the appliance, automotive, building construction and other industries.

A continuous caster eliminates the process stages of pouring molten steel into ingot molds, stripping the molds from the ingot, and then reheating and rolling the ingot into a slab. Instead, molten steel goes directly into the caster and is rolled into a continuous slab as it solidifies.

"In marking the start of this construction project, we are also marking the beginning of a new era in steelmaking in the Mon Valley region. The company is undertaking this large investment on the premise that world-class, quality steel products can be produced at competitive costs in the Mon Valley," said USX Chairman Charles A. Corry.

"The caster is the centerpiece of a program of recent and planned investments by USS at its three interrelated plants here - the Clairton Works and the Edgar Thomson and Irvin plants of the Mon Valley Works," Corry added.

Corry lauded the more than 4,000 employees of the three local plants for their efforts in recent years to improve quality and cost-efficiency, and he noted that without such efforts, the slab caster project would not have been undertaken.

"Some years ago, there were serious questions about whether USS would still be operating here in 1990, let alone investing a quarter of a billion dollars for modernization," the USX chairman said.

"While this project is not without risks, we are confident that with the dedicated support and cooperation of our employees and the community, we can succeed. The success of our program to modernize our Mon Valley operations will bring benefits to our employees and this region for many years to come."

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of USX.

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#90250p2285 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Accor S.A. announced today that the acquisition of Motel 6, L.P. (NYSE: SIX), through the redemption of the remaining outstanding limited partnership interests of Motel 6, will be completed on Sept. 17, 1990, in accordance with the terms of an acquisition agreement dated as of July 12, 1990, by and among Accor, Motel 6, L.P. and IBL Acquisition, L.P. As a result of the redemption, Motel 6 will be a wholly owned subsidiary of Accor. The redemption follows a tender offer by IBL Acquisition for all Motel 6 limited partnership interests at $22.50 per unit completed on Aug. 14, 1990. Motel 6 unitholders who did not tender their units in the tender offer will be entitled to receive $22.50 net per unit in cash (without interest) in the redemption. This is the same price paid in the tender offer.

Accor is a worldwide leader in the hotel, catering, voucher and tourist industries, with almost 3,000 restaurants and more than 850 hotels in 60 countries. With the acquisition of Motel 6, Accor is now the largest international hotel company on the basis of owning and operating hotels with more than 160,000 rooms. In 1990, Accor will have estimated consolidated sales of more than $4 billion and estimated net profits after tax of nearly $150 million.

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#90250p2289 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - General Host Corporation (NYSE: GH) today announced a substantial improvement in results for its second quarter and first half ended Aug. 12, 1990.

In its 28-week first half, the nation's largest specialty retailer of lawn and garden products said net income improved dramatically to $5 million, or $.26 per share, from a net loss of $1.3 million, or $.07 per share, the prior year. Income from continuing operations increased 140 percent to $5 million, or $.26 per share, from $2.1 million, or $.11 per share, in 1989. Pre-tax income rose $4.2 million in the first half while total sales increased 4.3 percent and same-store sales improved 3.1 percent.

General Host reported a small net loss of $528,000, or $.03 per share, in its 12-week second quarter versus a loss of $2.9 million, or $.15 per share, in 1989. The prior-year loss resulted from a charge to discontinued operations stemming from settlement of a lawsuit.

The company also reported a small second quarter loss from continuing operations of $528,000, or $.03 per share, compared with year-earlier income of $549,000, or $.03 per share. Income in last year's second quarter benefited from elimination of income tax reserves equal to $.13 per share. The pre-tax loss in the latest quarter improved by $2.6 million, overall sales increased 3.8 percent and same-store sales rose 3 percent.

General Host operates the nation's largest chain of specialty retail stores devoted specifically to the sale of lawn and garden products, crafts, and Christmas merchandise. Its main operating unit is Frank's Nursery & Crafts.

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#90250p2290 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHLEHEM, PA. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Bethlehem Steel Corporation (NYSE: BS) announced today that its board of directors is considering a plan to significantly improve the competitiveness of its Bar, Rod and Wire Division and return it to long-term profitability. The division is headquartered in Johnstown, Pa., with production facilities in Johnstown, Lackawanna, N.Y., and Sparrows Point, Md.

Walter F. Williams, Bethlehem Steel's chairman and chief executive officer said that approval of the plan depends upon obtaining a new labor agreement. Discussions will begin as soon as possible with the United Steelworkers of America.

The division will be separately incorporated as a wholly owned subsidiary to recognize that this business has its own distinct market and competitive conditions.

If a satisfactory labor agreement is obtained, the plan being considered includes making major facility improvements at Johnstown, including the installation of a continuous caster, modernization of an existing bar mill to permit rod production, and certain other improvements. The cost of these facility improvements is estimated at more than $100 million.

Bethlehem said that this plan is consistent with its continuing corporate objective of restructuring its businesses and operations to make them more competitive in the steel marketplace. The division is facing ongoing cost pressures in its markets, and the proposed actions are intended to further enhance its ability to produce quality products and to reduce operating costs, thereby making the division more competitive.

The Bar, Rod and Wire Division is currently recognized as a producer of

high-quality steel products. Its existing production facilities at Johnstown include a modern, well-equipped electric furnace shop with a vacuum degasser and a new ladle reheat station, superior billet preparation facilities, and several bar mills which provide production capability for a full line of bar products; a world-class bar mill at Lackawanna; and a rod mill at Sparrows Point.

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#90250p2291 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

THE HAGUE, NETHERLANDS (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The managements of N.V. Nationale Borg-Maatschappij (NBM) in Amsterdam and Nationale-Nederlanden N.V. (NN) in The Hague announce that they have reached an agreement about a tender offer to be made by Nationale-Nederlanden Nederland B.V. for all ordinary shares of NBM. On Aug. 13, the managements of the two companies announced they were engaged in discussions on this subject.

Nationale-Nederlanden Nederland B.V. makes a tender offer of DFls 270. - per ordinary share of NBM. The fulfillment of this tender offer will be subject to the conditions stipulated in Article 11, Section 2 of the Resolution of the Social and Economic Council on rules relating to mergers 1975 and the condition that the meeting of shareholders of NBM will make a lawful decision to effect an amendment in the articles of association of NBM, to be detailed in the offering circular.

The legally prescribed consultation with the Central Staff Council of NN and the four trade unions involved has meanwhile been completed. It is expected that the offering circular containing the conditions of the offer will be published about Sept. 17, 1990.

Nationale-Nederlanden N.V. is the largest insurance group in the Netherlands and one of the leading insurance groups in the world with operations in 21 countries. Assets at Dec. 31, 1989, were $48.5 billion and 1989 revenues amounted to $12.1 billion.

Nationale-Nederlanden operates in North America through eight life insurance companies and nine property and casualty insurance companies. In 1989 the total revenues of the North American operations were about $2.8 billion, and total assets were in excess of $7 billion.

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#90250p2300 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - American sailors on combat alert in the Persian Gulf received a gift of entertainment, as video retail giant West Coast Video announced immediate donation of a large number of films to U.S. Navy ships stationed in the Gulf.

Forty-three naval vessels will be receiving a library of first-run films, consisting of 20 to 25 films each, for screening by sailors during off-duty hours.

"By their presence, the troops over there are ensuring our freedom," said Jules Gardner, vice president of marketing at West Coast Video International, headquartered in Philadelphia. "We are proud to do whatever we can to make their tour-of-duty a little bit easier."

The donation is being made through the USO, which is in charge of entertainment for the armed service. Gardner added that further talks are being held with the USO to make donations to the U.S. Army and Air Force, as well. Peter Neal, production manager for the USO Worldwide office in Washington, D.C., said "It was phenomenal that West Coast contacted me with their offer."

West Coast Video is the nation's second largest video retailer with over 500 retail stores across the country.

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#90250p2303 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - British Airways' traffic growth in August remained strong, and continued to exceed increases in capacity, the airline announced today. Passenger load factor for the month increased by 0.5 points to 78.3 percent.

Traffic growth in terms of scheduled revenue passenger miles (RPMs) was 11.8 percent with capacity (scheduled available seat miles) up by 11.1 percent. Growth on U.K./Europe services dominated volume increases, with an increase of 12.6 percent in passenger numbers producing a 14.0 percent increase in scheduled RPMs.

Whilst the 11.4 percent increase in intercontinental traffic (RPMs) is lower than in recent months, the 80.0 percent load factor remained very high. Total scheduled passengers carried in August increased by 12.1 percent with cargo traffic up by 7.0 percent compared with previous year.

For the financial year to date, British Airways has achieved traffic growth (scheduled RPMs) of 12.9 percent, with capacity (ASKs) up by 10.6 percent. Scheduled passenger seat factor increased by 1.6 points to 74.8 percent.

On Aug. 7, British Airways announced earnings per ADS for the first quarter (ending June 30, 1990) of 1.54 pounds sterling ($2.70), a 79 percent improvement on the previous year.

British Airways announced on Aug. 21 that it had identified anticipated savings of up to 40 million pounds a year as a result of the outcome of the first wave of "Project Sprint," British Airways' review of support activities.

The savings will emerge over the next eighteen months. Wave two of the project will run from October to February, and is expected to be at least as successful as the first. "Project Sprint" began in April as part of the overall margin improvement plan for better financial performance.

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#90250p2311 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of The Tranzonic Companies (AMEX: TNZ) today declared a quarterly dividend of 4 cents per Common Share and 7 cents per Class B Common Share to paid Oct. 16, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 28, 1990.

Both the Common Shares and the Class B Common Shares are listed on the American Stock Exchange.

Cleveland-based Tranzonic is a manufacturer/distributor of paper, cloth and vinyl products.

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#90250p2312 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLIFTON, N.J. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - American Cyanamid Company's Lederle Consumer Health Products Division today announced the launch of DynaTrim, a superior diet meal replacement that is expected to become the top challenger to Ultra Slim-Fast, the current leader in the $500 million meal replacement category.

Lederle, makers of top-selling Centrum multi-vitamins, plans to spend over $35 million on the DynaTrim launch -- its largest ever -- in an attempt to grab a significant market share and expand the meal replacement category, one of the hottest growth areas in the diet aid industry.

By year-end, meal replacement sales are expected to top the $1 billion

mark, according to Chain Drug Review, an industry publication. Last year alone, sales in the category skyrocketed 214 percent.

A DynaTrim Taste Challenge promotion will be launched in fourth quarter 1990 as the product begins appearing on store shelves. Television advertising debuts on Dec. 30, 1990 with an estimated $8 million allocated for the first six weeks of 1991.

Some 65 million Americans are overweight and nearly 20 million will use a meal replacement product this year, based on industry sales figures.

Lederle expects that the unique DynaTrim formulation, designed to offer greater satiety and better taste than competitive products, will grow the category as well as encourage consumer switching. In keeping with Lederle's nutritional heritage, DynaTrim also provides outstanding nutrition with a formulation that contains more vitamins, minerals, protein and fiber than the leading brand.

For dieters seeking an escape from the inevitable boredom of a routine weight-loss menu, DynaTrim is the only meal replacement product that can be prepared three ways -- as a shake, mousse or frozen treat. In accordance with the medically accepted philosophy that dieting involves more than cutting calories, all product packaging will include a DynaTrim diet plan with information on exercise, nutrition and behavior modification. Lederle has also established a toll-free number for consumer questions, 1-800-282-8805, which will have the support of the company's nutrition experts.

Lederle Consumer Health Products is a division of American Cyanamid Company (NYSE: ACY), a research-based biotechnology and chemical company which develops medical, agricultural, chemical and consumer products and manufactures and markets them throughout the world. In addition to Centrum, the Consumer Health Products Division markets FiberCon, Stresstabs, Centrum Silver, Centrum Jr., Caltrate and Ferro-Sequels.

CONTACT: Christina Heenan or Judith Czelusniak of Hill and Knowlton, Inc., 212-697-5600, for Lederle

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#90250p2315 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, IL (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Wheelabrator Technologies Inc. (NYSE: WTI) shareholders today approved a previously announced merger agreement between Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: WMX) and Wheelabrator Technologies, increasing Waste Management's ownership of Wheelabrator Technologies common stock to 55 percent from 22 percent. Wheelabrator Technologies remains a separate public company.

In exchange for their present Wheelabrator Technologies stock, shareholders of record will receive .469 of a share of common stock of Waste Management and .574 of a share of common stock of Wheelabrator for each share of Wheelabrator Technologies held. Instructions for the exchange of stock are now being mailed to Wheelabrator Technologies holders.

In addition to the eleven existing directors, four more Waste Management officers were elected to the Wheelabrator Technologies Board of Directors. They are Jerry E. Dempsey, senior vice president; Jerome D. Girsch, vice president; James E. Koenig, vice president, treasurer and chief financial officer; and Edwin G. Falkman, vice president. The Wheelabrator Technologies board consists of 15 directors, eight of whom are officers of Waste Management.

Also in connection with the merger, Phillip B. Rooney, president and chief operating officer of Waste Management, will be elected vice chairman of the board of Wheelabrator Technologies and chairman of its executive committee, and Herbert A. Getz, vice president and secretary of Waste Management, will be elected to the position of managing director - secretary of Wheelabrator Technologies.

CONTACT: William Greener III of Wheelabrator Technologies, 603-929-3244; or William J. Plunkett of Waste Management, 708-572-8898

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#90250p2317 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

FREMONT, CA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Northern California Division of Safeway Inc., announced today that it is banning smoking by its employees in all of its store facilities in Northern California, Northern Nevada and Hawaii.

"We believe that in order to protect the health of our employees who do not smoke, it is our responsibility to ban smoking inside our stores," stated George Unti, senior vice president and division manager.

The issue of smoking continues to be of great concern to our employees and to Safeway management. "We are taking this preventive measure to create a healthy working environment for all of our employees, " added Unti. Safeway is the third largest grocery chain in the United States, operating 220 stores in Northern California, seven in Northern Nevada and 16 in Hawaii.

CONTACT: Debra Lambert of Safeway Stores, (415) 498-2178.

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#90250p2324 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Responding to the call-up of military reservists for duty caused by the crisis in the Middle East, UAW Vice President Stephen P. Yokich, who heads the union's General Motors Department, and General Motors Vice President of Industrial Relations Alfred S. Warren Jr. announced today that the corporation will grant military leave pay to UAW-represented GM workers required to serve.

"This action is intended to soften the impact of the transition these workers must make from civilian to military life and demonstrate our common commitment to the Military Reserve System in the U.S.," Yokich and Warren said.

Military leave pay will provide the difference between a UAW-represented worker's regular wage and the wages and allowance provided by the military for a 30-day period for those called to active duty status during the current crisis in the Middle East.

CONTACT: John Maciarz of GM News Relations, (313) 556-2030; or Frank Joyce of UAW Public Relations, (313) 972-3027.

-30- 1208

#90250p2332 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARLBORO, MA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Selvac Corporation (NASDAQ: SLVC, SLVCU, SLVCW) today reported a net loss of $277,000, equal to 2 cents per share for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990, compared to net earnings of $1,325,000, or 10 cents per share, for the 1989 fiscal year. Net sales totaled $16,059,000 versus $10,703,000 in fiscal 1989.

Included in the comparative financial results were tax loss carryforward credits of $13,000 in fiscal 1990 and $578,000 in fiscal 1989.

Michael B. Freedman, president and chief operating officer, noted: "The company's results for the year were negatively impacted by the difficult conditions affecting U.S. retailers, heavier corporate spending for advertising and product development, and an operating loss associated with the company's Beauty Resources subsidiary."

SELVAC CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

(Condensed, consolidated, in thousands except per share figures)

Year ended May 31:	1990	1989
Net sales	$16,059	$10,703
Income (loss) before income taxes	(171)	1,402
Income taxes	119	654
Income (loss) bef. extraord. item	(290)	748
Extraord. item, tax benefit of a		

net operating loss carryforward	13	578
Net income (loss)	($277)	$1,325
Net income (loss) per common share:		
Income (loss) bef. extraord. item	($.02)	$.06
Extraordinary item	--	.04
Net income (loss)	(.02)	.10
Weighted avg. no. of shares outstdg.	14,454	12,861

CONTACT: Michael B. Freedman, president of Selvac Corporation, 508-481-9495

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#90250p2334 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Oshman's Sporting Goods, Inc. (NASDAQ: OSHM), today reported results for the second quarter and the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990.

Second Quarter Results Sales: $82,380,000 this year vs. $80,139,000 last year. Net loss: ($737,000) this year vs. ($167,000) last year. Loss per share: ($.13) this year vs. ($.03) last year.

Six Months Results Sales: $152,455,000 this year vs. $140,494,000 last year. Net loss: ($1,614,000) this year vs. ($1,804,000) last year. Loss per share: ($.28) this year vs. ($.31) last year.

Alvin N. Lubetkin, chief executive officer, stated that total sales increased 2.8 percent in the second quarter and 8.5 percent in the first six months of the year. Same store sales decreased 2.0 percent in the second quarter while increasing 3.5 percent for the half.

Overall sales for the second quarter were not as buoyant as in the first quarter. Results for the second quarter were also effected by repositioning a promotion so that some part of the sales took place in the first quarter this year as opposed to the second quarter in 1989. The company incurred a loss of $737,000 in the second quarter or $.13 per share compared to $167,000 or $.03 per share in 1989; however for the first six months, the loss was reduced to $1,614,000 or $.28 per share from $1,804,000 or $.31 per share in 1989.

Sales at the company's new 78,000-square-foot Oshman's SuperSports USA in Houston continue to exceed projection. The company expects to open its second Oshman's SuperSports USA in November this year and should soon be announcing plans for further testing of its mega store concept.

Oshman's was operating 193 stores at the end of the quarter and at year end.

On Sept. 5, 1990, the board of directors of Oshman's Sporting Goods, Inc. declared a regular dividend of $.05 per share to all common stock shareholders of record on Oct. 12, 1990, with the dividend to be payable on Oct. 26, 1990. CONTACT: Edward R. Carlin of Oshman's Sporting Goods, 713-928-3171

-30- 2234

#90250p2336 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines (AMEX: CTA) today announced that it has agreed to acquire two DC-10-30 aircraft which will allow it to expand its international route network.

Continental said the widebody aircraft would supplement its current fleet of 15 DC-10's, most of which are used on transoceanic flights.

"These aircraft will allow us to begin new service from Newark to Nagoya via Seattle/Tacoma, for which we have been recommended by a judge at the Department of Transportation," said Continental president Mickey Foret. "Our long-term international growth strategy is being met with consistent capacity and traffic increases, particularly in the Pacific Rim region."

Delivery and refurbishment of the aircraft is expected to allow Continental to start the Newark-Seattle-Nagoya route early next year.

Eastern Air Lines received court approval for the transaction last week.

CONTACT: Corp. Communications, Continental Airlines, 713-834-5080

-30- 1168

#90250p2343 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CONCORD, MA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Nuclear Metals, Inc., (NASDAQ: NUCM), Concord, Mass.-based manufacturer of specialized metal products, today announced the receipt of a 24-month, $1.5 million contract from Hughes Missile Systems Group, Tucson, Ariz. This development program is to design, build and demonstrate an Advanced Tandem Warhead for the Marine Corps SRAW (Short Range Antitank Weapon). SRAW is a hand-held, fire-and-forget missile system capable of defeating the projected tank threat from any engagement aspect with minimum exposure to the gunner.

CONTACT: Daral Ferguson, vice president-finance, Nuclear Metals, 508-263-3119

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#90250p2344 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CONCORD, MASS. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Nuclear Metals, Inc., (NASDAQ:

NUCM), Concord, Mass.-based manufacturer of specialized metal products, today announced the receipt of a 24-month, $1.5 million contract from Hughes Missile Systems Group, Tucson, Ariz. This development program is to design, build and demonstrate an Advanced Tandem Warhead for the Marine Corps SRAW (Short Range Antitank Weapon). SRAW is a hand-held, fire-and-forget missile system capable of defeating the projected tank threat from any engagement aspect with minimum exposure to the gunner.

CONTACT: Daral Ferguson, vice president-finance, Nuclear Metals, 508-263-3119

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#90250p2345 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST BRUNSWICK, NJ (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Specialty Retail Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: SRSI) announced here today the signing of a letter of intent for the acquisition of The Pro Image, Inc., located in Salt Lake City.

Pro Image, founded in 1985, is one of the largest franchising organizations specializing in selling licensed authentic and replica attire worn by professional (major league baseball, NFL football and NBA basketball) and collegiate sports teams. Its items include jackets, jerseys, T-shirts, hats, sweatshirts, posters and miscellaneous products. Pro Image franchises currently operate in excess of 150 stores under The Pro Image trade name, primarily in major shopping malls throughout the United States.

Under the terms of the letter of intent, it is anticipated that Specialty Retail Services, Inc. will acquire Pro Image for a combination of cash and SRS stock. The existing stockholders of Pro Image will continue to operate the business under long-term employment contracts and will receive incentives including a participation in future earnings of the Pro Image subsidiary of Specialty Retail Services, Inc.

The acquisition is subject to a number of conditions, including the negotiation of a definitive purchase agreement, satisfactory completion of a due diligence investigation and financing.

Specialty Retail Services, Inc. is a marketer of a broad range of professional beauty products, including hair care, nail care, cosmetics, skin care, and other beauty accessories to salons, independent and chain drug stores, supermarkets, mass merchandisers, warehouse clubs and other retail distributors. Specialty Retail Services, Inc. completed its initial public offering of common stock in August 1989.

CONTACT: Bentley Blum, 212-935-5400, for Specialty Retail Services

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#90250p2351 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
HARAHAN, LA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Net sales for the second quarter ended July 28 were $21,728,000 compared with $21,621,000 for the same quarter last year.

The net loss for the period was ($243,000) or ($.10) per share compared to a net loss of ($57,000) or ($.02) per share for the comparable period last year.

In the first half, net sales were $44,752,000 up 3 percent when compared with $43,465,000 in the last year's first half. The net profit for the period was $254,000 or $.11 per share compared with a net loss of ($47,000) or ($.02) per share for the first half of last year.

Wiener Enterprises currently operates 114 shoe and apparel stores primarily in Louisiana, and 11 home-improvement centers in Georgia and South Carolina.

CONTACT: Michael Doherty of Wiener Enterprises, 504-733-7055.

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#90250p2353 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
CUPERTINO, CALIF. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Carl A. Thomsen, vice president and controller for Measurex Corp. (NYSE: MX) has assumed the additional responsibilities of investor relations.

Thomsen, 45, joined Measurex in 1983 as controller after leaving Ampex Corp. where he held various financial positions, including controller of Data Systems Division and controller of Audio Video Systems Division. Formerly, he was audit manager of Arthur Andersen & Co., San Francisco.

Born in Detroit, Thomsen earned a bachelor of science degree in Accounting from Valparaiso University and a master's in business administration from the University of Michigan.

Thomsen is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, California Society of CPAs, National Association of Accountants and the Financial Executives Institute.

Thomsen and his wife, Susan, live in Palo Alto, Calif., with their two children.

Measurex, which stands for measurement excellence, provides the world with computer-integrated manufacturing through design, production, marketing and servicing of sensor-based information and control systems.

CONTACT: Reed Byrum of Measurex, 408-725-3181 (office) or 415-326-6964 (home)

-30- 1386

#90250p2354 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Noranda Inc. (Toronto: NOR) and Trelleborg A.B. announced the signing today of a CDN$2 billion refinancing of their jointly owned investment in Falconbridge Limited.

The refinancing consists of two floating rate seven-year term credit facilities; a US$950 million syndicated bank facility arranged in the European markets and a CDN$900 million syndicated bank facility arranged in the Canadian market. Noranda and Trelleborg have each separately guaranteed US$475 million of the European credit. Combined, these represent one of the largest financings ever arranged for a Canadian corporation.

Falconbridge is the world's second largest producer of nickel and a major producer of copper and zinc. Its principal mining and smelting operations are located in Canada; its nickel facility refinery is located in Norway and it produces ferro-nickel in the Dominion Republic. Noranda and Trelleborg each own 50 percent of Falconbridge, after jointly acquiring the company in 1989.

Noranda, a Canadian-based company, is one of the world's premier diversified resource companies with interests in minerals, forest products manufacturing and energy.

Trelleborg of Sweden is a diversified group of companies with major interests in the base metals industry in Europe and North America.

CONTACT: A.R. Thomas, 416-982-7127, or B.C. Bone, 416-982-7211, both of Noranda, or H. Borgstrom of Trelleborg, 46-410-52013, or L-E Johansson, 416-863-7128, or D.R. Bevan, 416-863-7127, both of Falconbridge

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#90250p2355 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Avon's first celebrity fragrance -- Undeniable by Billy Dee Williams -- is on its way to capturing 15 percent of the $150 million market this year.

With sales of over $12 million since its April introduction, Undeniable is the nation's No. 1 male-celebrity fragrance for women. And Avon expects Undeniable sales will top $22 million by year-end, says Evette Beckett, Avon's director of fragrance marketing.

Sales of Undeniable this year already are greater than the combined sales last year of the top entries in the male-celebrity category: Mikhail Baryshnilov's Misha, Herb Alpert's Listen and Julio Iglesias' Only.

Billy Dee Williams and Avon also will easily top last year's three best-selling celebrity fragrance introductions -- Elizabeth Taylor's Passion for Men, Debbie Gibson's Electric Youth and Jaclyn Smith's California.

Among all celebrity-endorsed fragrances, Elizabeth Taylor's Passion for Women may be the only one to sell more than Undeniable this year, Beckett says.

Beckett attributes Undeniable's success to the charisma of Billy Dee Williams and to the fragrance's romantic, floral-oriental scent which has helped set trends in the marketplace. The fragrance is targeted to women ages 29 to 54.

"The selection of Billy Dee Williams was crucial to the success of Undeniable," says Beckett. "We waited until we found the right celebrity, one who would appeal to Avon's broad range of customers and sales representatives."

Beckett says that Avon was the first Fortune 200 company to pair a black male celebrity with a fragrance. "It was a bold marketing move that has paid off well for us," she said.

As a result of Undeniable's success, Avon will introduce Undeniable for Men in January, just in time for Valentine's Day. Now in the planning stages, Undeniable for Men will capitalize on the excitement generated by the actor, who has met with many of Avon's top sales representatives. Marketing efforts will be directed towards the same female target audience that purchased the women's fragrance.

"Women love Billy and the fragrance," says Beckett. "It's a simple but powerful formula for success."

CONTACT: Nancy Glaser of Avon Products, 212-546-6060

-30- 2438

#90250p2356 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEBEC, CALIF. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Tejon Ranch Co. announced today that an affiliated partnership, Tejon Agricultural Partners, has entered into a contract to sell approximately 12,800 acres of farmland in the San Joaquin Valley to a private group. The partnership consists of a wholly owned subsidiary of Tejon Ranch Co., which has a nominal interest in the partnership, and an insurance company, which has the primary interest.

Under the terms of the asset sale all of the net proceeds will be distributed to the insurance company.

As a result of the sale of the farmland, which constitutes substantially all of the assets of the partnership, the partnership will be dissolved. The land sold will continue to be subject to certain restrictions on its use for the benefit of land owned by Tejon Ranch Co. No land or other assets owned by Tejon Ranch Co. will be sold under the contract.

Tejon Ranch Co. has also reached agreement with the buyer and the partnership under which Tejon Ranch Co. will acquire 290 acres of the partnership land surrounding the Laval Road, Interstate 5 Freeway off-ramp for $500,000, if the partnership asset sale is consummated. Approximately 231 acres of this land is planted in wine grapes and the balance is open land.

"Consummation of the transaction is still subject to substantial uncertainty," said Jack Hunt, president of Tejon Ranch Co., "because the buyers have not completed their due diligence with respect to the property to be purchased."

Tejon Ranch owns approximately 270,000 acres of land approximately 60 miles north of Los Angeles and is engaged in cattle, farming, oil and minerals, and commercial highway leasing operations.

CONTACT: Jack Hunt of Tejon Ranch Co., 805-248-6774

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#90250p2358 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that Henley International, Inc. of Sugar Land, Texas, began trading 2,700,335 common shares today. As one of the few companies in the nation that can equip an entire physical therapy clinic, Henley International develops, manufactures distributes and markets a diversified range of physical therapy, home pain management and disposable hospital products. The company previously traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol HINT.

Trading under ticker symbol HEN, the common stock opened on 100 shares at 6.

Henley International operates through three principal divisions: the Physical Therapy Products Division, the Home Pain Management Division and the Hospital Products Division.

The Physical Therapy Products Division markets a line of technologically advanced physical therapy products including traction machines, traction

and treatment tables; and a line of exercise and physical performance measurement systems.

The Home Pain Management Division markets and distributes various products and accessories to control chronic or acute pain by non- invasive methods including various non-proprietary transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation (TENS) devices and proprietary electrodes. The Hospital Products Division assembles and markets custom and standard medical procedure kits consisting of disposable medical and surgical specialty products.

In July, Henley International entered into an agreement to acquire certain assets of the custom procedural tray operations of Work Wear Corp.'s White Knight Health Care Division.

Henley International reported unaudited net income of $514,000, or $.24 per share, on revenues of $12,407,000 for the six months ended April 30, 1990, compared with net income of $202,000, or $.12 per share, on revenues of $7,257,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

CONTACT: Lisa Kravitz of the American Stock Exchange, 212-306-1632

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#90250p2361 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Emanuel Pearlman, on behalf of the Committee for Maximizing Shareholder Value of Healthco International, Inc. announced today that the committee delivered to the company last night written consent cards executed by stockholders holding a majority of the company's outstanding common stock as of June 25, 1990, the record date for the consent solicitation. Under Delaware law, the delivery of valid consents from more than 50 percent of the stockholders of Healthco would effectuate removal of the current board of directors and the election of the committee's nominees.

An action was commenced last night in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware against the company and its current directors seeking a judgment declaring that the current directors have been lawfully removed from office by Healthco's stockholders, and the committee's nominees elected in their place, as well as for appropriate injunctive relief to implement the judgment.

Pearlman stated, "We are delighted that the stockholders have elected our nominees and thereby supported our platform of maximizing shareholder values. We are hopeful of a smooth transition of the board for the benefit of the stockholders, the employees of Healthco and its customers."

CONTACT: Emanuel R. Pearlman of Gemini Partners, 212-832-5100, or

Brian Maddox of Georgeson & Company, 212-440-9862, for Gemini Partners

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#90250p2364 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Nucorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: NUCO) announced today that the company has extended its offer to purchase all shares of its common stock from persons holding 99 or fewer shares until 5 p.m. New York time on Monday, Oct. 1, 1990.

The purchase price for the shares will be the closing price on the NASDAQ National Market System on the day stock certificates and all other required documents are received in good order by the company's transfer agent.

CONTACT: James Patterson of Nucorp, 312-454-0100

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#90250p2371 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

OMAHA, NEB. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Investment Committee of America First Financial Fund 1988 Limited Partnership, at a meeting held on Sept. 6, 1990, approved undertakings which commit for investment all available funds of the Fund to acquire one or more federally-insured financial institutions. The agreements involved are preliminary and subject to final documentation and Fund management's continued satisfaction with the results of its ongoing due diligence investigation.

The institutions to which funds have been committed were selected after long and careful analysis of dozens of different institutions, and after extended discussions and negotiations on the proposed acquisition structure.

America First's board of directors said, "As much as we know our investors are interested in the identity of the institutions involved, securities laws and confidentiality agreements preclude the identification of the institutions at this time. Any information provided by us that might suggest the identity of the institutions involved could jeopardize our ability to consummate the transactions. Fund management contemplates that closings on the institutions involved will be consummated in late 1990 or the first part of 1991."

CONTACT: Maurice Cox of America First Financial Fund, 402-444-1630

-30- 1498

#90250p2372 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MT. LAUREL, N.J. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Jerome Group Inc. (OTC), a

Mt. Laurel-based manufacturer and distributor of medical products, announced today that it has entered into an agreement with SePro Healthcare Inc., pursuant to which SePro will purchase Jerome's Warm-N-Form Products line and certain other assets.

Additional details will be released early next week.

CONTACT: Gerald J. McConomy for The Jerome Group, 215-889-4912

-30- 596

#90250p2377 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of CalMat Co. (NYSE: CZM) named Scott J. Wilcott, 52, formerly executive vice president, general counsel and secretary, to the position of executive vice president law and property. The board also elected Paul Stanford, 47, vice president, general counsel and secretary, succeeding Wilcott.

Wilcott will head the company's Properties Division with responsibility for completing the company's previously announced divestiture of its developed and developable real estate. In addition, he assumes over-all responsibility for regulatory, environmental and legal affairs of the company.

Stanford, who will report to Wilcott, joins CalMat from Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker, where he was in general corporate practice for nine years. He holds both a bachelor's degree and juris doctor degree from the University of Chicago, and has been a member of the California State Bar since December 1981.

CONTACT: Judy R. Cunningham of CalMat Co., 213-258-2777

-30- 1203

#90250p2382 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Gas Processors Ltd., (NYSE: WGP) announced today that its board has declared a distribution of 45 cents per unit to unitholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 30, 1990 of its $1.80 Participating Preference Units. The distribution will be paid to unitholders on or before Nov. 14, 1990.

Western is managed by its general partner, Western Gas Resources Inc. (NYSE: WGR) and is engaged in natural gas gathering and processing, natural gas liquid production and the marketing of natural gas and natural gas liquids. Western's operations extend throughout the Rocky Mountain Region and the Southwestern United States.

Western recently completed the previously announced acquisition of

Atlantic Richfield Co.'s interest in a gas gathering and processing facility near Gillette, Wyo. The acquisition of Arco's interest increases Western's ownership interest to approximately 90 percent. Western took over as the facility operator upon closing the transaction.

Western is continuing to seek additional gas processing opportunities and believes that it is well positioned to take advantage of an improvement in both gas and liquids prices.

CONTACT: William P. Stelt of Western Gas Processors Ltd., 800-933-5603

-30- 1454

#90250p2389 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Motor Sales (TMS) U.S.A. Inc. announced today that prices for its 1991 cars will increase an average of 2.3 percent or about $318 from comparably equipped final '90-model manufacturer's suggested retail prices.

Toyota's best-selling models, Camry and Corolla, will increase 2.3 and 2.1 percent to $11,948 for the least-expensive Camry and $8,998 for the least-expensive Corolla.

"The overall objective of our pricing strategy is to provide our customers with well-equipped vehicles at very competitive prices," said TMS Executive Vice President Bob McCurry. "The modest increase for the '91 models includes new standard equipment such as larger tires, full wheel covers and dual manual remote mirrors on the Corolla Deluxe; tilt steering wheel, color-keyed bumpers, door handles and power mirrors on the Corolla LE, and four-wheel ABS, power seat and an upgraded audio system on the Supra."

Prices for models of the all-new 1991 Tercel -- not included here -- will be announced later. Lexus prices were announced previously.

CONTACT: Mindy Geller of Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. , 213-618-5204

-30- 1325

#90250p2401 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - On Sept. 4, 1990, the board of directors of Fletcher Challenge Finance Canada Inc. declared:

1. that a cash dividend of $.50 per share upon the outstanding 8 percent Cumulative Redeemable Retractable Preferred Shares, Series ''A'' (the ''Series ''A'' Shares''), of Fletcher Challenge Finance Canada Inc. be paid on Sept. 28, 1990, to the shareholders of record holding the Series ''A''

Shares of Fletcher Challenge Finance Canada Inc. at the close of business on the Sept. 14, 1990; and 2. that a cash dividend of $.4921875 per share upon the outstanding 7 7/8 percent Cumulative Redeemable Retractable Preferred Shares, Series ''B'' (the ''Series ''B'' Shares''), of Fletcher Challenge Finance Canada Inc. be paid on Sept. 28, 1990 to the shareholders of record holding the Series ''B'' Shares of Fletcher Challenge Finance Canada Inc. at the close of business on Sept. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Stu Clugston, director, Public Affairs of Fletcher Challenge Canada Limited, 604-654-4463

-30- 1275

#90250p2403 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWALK, CONN. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Wiltek, Inc. (NASDAQ: WLTK) today reported that revenues for the third quarter ended July 31, 1990, were $1,871,000, an increase of 19 percent over revenues of $1,575,000 in the third quarter of fiscal 1989. Net income for the quarter was $275,000 or 7 cents a share, compared to net income of $129,000 or 3 cents a share for the same period last year. In the nine months ended July 31, 1990, revenues were $5,513,000, a 27 percent increase over the same period in 1989. Net income for the nine months more than doubled from $343,000 or 9 cents a share in 1989 to $753,000 or 19 cents a share in 1990.

Jay Fitzpatrick, Wiltek's president, stated that the company's performance was especially encouraging because it was achieved in a sluggish economic environment. He said that the company intends to use its strong cash flow to continue development of new gateway services which should generate new sources of revenues in the coming year.

Wiltek provides geographically dispersed organizations with message and data communications services. The company designs, implements and manages systems which allow users with incompatible terminals, computers and communications networks to send and receive information throughout their company and communicate with outside customers and suppliers.

WILTEK, INC.

Consolidated Statements of Income

(Unaudited -- in thousands except per share amounts)

	Three Months		Nine Months	
Periods ended July 31;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Revenues:				
Communications services	$1,867	$1,555	$5,493	$4,281
Terminal revenues	4	20	20	60
Total revenues	1,871	1,575	5,513	4,341
Costs & Expenses:				

Communications services	869	735	2,580	1,969
Selling, general & administrative expenses	584	569	1,706	1,631
Research & development	133	125	409	358
Interest (income), net	(46)	(19)	(93)	(59)
Other expense	56	36	158	99
Total costs & expenses	1,596	1,446	4,760	3,998
Net income	275	129	753	343
Number of shares used in calculations	4,096	3,734	3,999	3,735
Net income per common share & common equivalent share(A)	$.07	$.03	$.19	$.09 (A)

-- Primary earnings per share is computed by dividing net earnings by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding after reduction for treasury shares and assuming exercise of dilutive stock options. Fully diluted earnings per share is not presented because it is not materially different from primary earnings per share.

CONTACT: Jay Fitzpatrick, president of Wiltek, 203-853-7400; or Myrna W. Silverman of Marquardt & Roche, 203-327-0890, for Wiltek

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LA JOLLA, CA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermark Inc. (AMEX: IMI) and its wholly owned subsidiary, Triton Group Ltd., today announced that their respective Boards of Directors have approved a settlement of the Delaware Chancery Court litigation relating to the Aug. 30, 1990, merger of the two companies.

Pursuant to the terms of the settlement, which is subject to court approval, Intermark agreed that in the event that the average closing price of its Common Stock for the 20 trading days immediately preceding the two-year anniversary of court approval of the settlement was less than $5.50 per share, Intermark would pay up to $.35 per share in cash, or additional stock (at Intermark's election) valued at $5.125 per share to former Triton stockholders who received Intermark stock in the merger and held it throughout such two-year period.

Intermark stated that such additional consideration, if any, is not subject to determination at this time, and is dependent upon the trading price of Intermark Common Stock at the two-year measurement date and the number of shares held throughout the measurement period. No settlement amount will be paid if at any time during the two-year period, the closing price of Intermark Common Stock equals or exceeds $6.375 per share on 20 consecutive trading days.

In entering into the proposed settlement, neither Intermark, nor Triton

nor any other defendant has admitted any violation of law or breach of duty, nor did any of them admit that there is merit to any of the plaintiff's claims. Intermark and Triton said that they entered into the stipulation solely to eliminate the burden and expense of further litigation.

Intermark is a $2 billion operating/holding company whose business is to acquire a controlling interest in, operate through and add value to well-established, successful, mid-sized American growth companies in broadly diverse industries.

CONTACT: Mitchell R. Woodbury, VP and Corporate Counsel of Intermark Inc., 619-459-3841

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#90250p2421 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOHEMIA, NY (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Symbol Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: SBL) the leading manufacturer of portable bar code data capture systems, today announced the appointment of Leonard Goldner as senior vice president and general counsel.

Goldner will administer all legal matters and will be responsible for special projects, reporting to Symbol Chief Executive Officer Jerome Swartz.

Goldner, a cum laude graduate of Harvard Law School and honors graduate from the University of Wisconsin, had been a partner in the New York City law firm of Shereff, Friedman, Hoffman and Goodman. In this capacity, he had functioned as Symbol's securities and corporate counsel for almost 10 years and he is intimately familiar with the company.

Symbol Technologies, Inc. is the world leader in bar code-based data capture systems with more than 1 million scanners and terminals installed. The company designs, manufacturers and markets bar code reading equipment portable data terminals and radio frequency data communications products which are used as strategic building blocks in data collection systems for retail, military, manufacturing, distribution, health care and many other applications.

CONTACT: Michael G. Archambault of Symbol Technologies, 516-244-4632/ (SBL) CO: Symbol Technologies, Inc. ST: New York IN: CPR SU: PER

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#90250p2425 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON, (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank of Boston Corporation (NYSE: BKB) today announced the quarterly dividend rates on its three series of

adjustable-rate, cumulative preferred stock, Series A, Series B and Series C, for the dividend period Sept. 16, 1990, through Dec. 15, 1990.

For that period, the Series A shares will bear a dividend rate of 7.45 percent; the Series B shares will bear a dividend rate of 7.20 percent, and the series C shares will bear a dividend rate of 6.65 percent.

Bank of Boston Corporation is a New England-based superregional bank holding company with assets of $37 billion at June 30, 1990. Its major banking subsidiaries are The First National Bank of Boston, with headquarters in Massachusetts; Casco Northern Bank, N.A., in Maine; Bank of Boston Connecticut; Rhode Island Hospital Trust National Bank; and Bank of Vermont. The corporation and its subsidiaries provide a broad range of financial services to individual, corporate, institutional and governmental customers, as well as to other banks. The corporation's common and preferred stocks are listed on the New York and Boston stock exchanges.

CONTACT: Wayne J. Taylor of Bank of Boston, 617-434-3638

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#90250p2426 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KANS. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) announced today that it is extending its voluntary early retirement offer to some 200 additional employees company-wide, and lowering the eligibility requirements.

Under the plan, part of the company's continuing expense control efforts, improved early retirement benefits are now generally available to employees who are 50 years of age and have five or more years of service.

Previously, KG&E had offered the plan to some 60 employees who were 55 and had 15 or more years of service. Today's announcement brings to about 275 the number of employees who have the option to accept the improved retirement package. KG&E currently has 1,271 full-time and 53 part-time employees.

The newly eligible employees are being notified today and will have until October 17 to make their decisions and inform the company. Effective retirement date will be November 1.

"In our drive to control expenses, KG&E has been making a number of organizational changes and realignments of personnel that began early this year," Lyle Koerper, company spokesman, said. "Offering these enhanced retirement benefits to more of our people is a continuation of that important effort. At the same time, it allows eligible employees to consider such an offer and gives the company greater flexibility in

personnel planning."

CONTACT: Lyle Koerper of Kansas Gas and Electric, 316-261-6207

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#90250p2428 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the Chubb Corporation (NYSE: CB) today declared a regular quarterly dividend in the amount of 33 cents per share payable Oct. 9, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 21.

CONTACT: Gail E. Devlin, 212-612-4057, or Glenn A. Montgomery, 212-612-4055, both of Chubb

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#90250p2432 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The agencies which maintain and operate the nation's reserve shipping fleet today reported that 42 government-owned cargo ships have been called up for service to supply our armed forces in the Middle East.

More than 30 ships are already under way while the remaining are in shipyards being readied for their upcoming missions.

All of the ships are being manned by civilian crews who volunteered to serve aboard cargo vessels to support operations in the Middle East.

The ships are part of the Ready Reserve Force (RRF), which the Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration (MARAD) maintains for the Navy's Military Sealift Command (MSC). These ships provide prompt sealift support in the event they are needed for the rapid deployment of military forces.

MARAD is responsible for activating the ships and turning them over for operation by MSC which arranges ocean transportation in support of all U.S. armed forces.

Maritime Administrator Capt. Warren G. Leback and Vice Adm. Francis R. Donovan, U.S. Navy, commander of MSC, agreed that this first large-scale activation of Ready Reserve vessels has been successful and exceeded initial expectations.

Capt. Leback and Vice Adm. Donovan both praised American seafarers for responding to the unexpected and rapid call-up of inactive ships. Over 1,300 civilian officers and crew are required to operate them.

"The tradition of American civilian seafarers rallying to the support of our armed services dates back to the birth of our nation, and we are seeing that same spirit displayed again today," Capt. Leback said.

Vice Adm. Donovan said, "The strong support of the maritime industry is vital to the mobilization of the ships which are critical to the success of Operation Desert Shield."

CONTACT: John Swank of the U.S. Department of Transportation, 202-366-5807

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#90250p2434 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLYMOUTH, MICH. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Highland Superstores, Inc. (NASDAQ: HIGH) reported August 1990 sales of $69.5 million, substantially unchanged from August 1989 sales of $69.8 million. Comparable store sales declined 6 percent for the month.

Highland Superstores, Inc., headquartered in Plymouth (Detroit), is one of the largest volume specialty retailers of consumer electronics and appliances in the United States. The company currently operates 92 retail stores in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, New York and Texas.

CONTACT: Ira Mondry or Yale Levin of Highland Superstores, Inc., 313-451-3520

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#90250p2443 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - FHP International Corp. (NASDAQ: FHPC) reported today that net income for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 totaled $28,757,000, up 31 percent from $22,034,000 for the same period last year. Earnings per share for the year totaled $1.10 versus $1.03 in the prior year. Revenue for the fiscal year rose to $980,394,000 from $699,051,000 reported last year, a 40 percent increase.

Pretax income for the fiscal year was negatively affected by an increase of approximately $8,250,000 in medical malpractice reserves taken in the fourth quarter, which included a recent malpractice decision. The claim was initiated at a time when the company was self-insured for malpractice liability (1975 through 1983). Earnings per share were reduced by $0.20 as a result of the reserve increase. Net income for the year before the reserve adjustment totaled $33,954,000, or $1.30 per share.

Net income for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990 totaled $6,437,000 compared to $7,676,000 reported for the same period last year. Earnings per share were $0.25 for the current quarter versus $0.33 reported in the

prior year. Net income for the quarter before the reserve adjustment totaled $11,634,000, or $0.45 per share. Revenue for the fourth quarter increased 41 percent to $281,354,000 compared with $199,322,000 reported last year.

Robert Gumbiner M.D., chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated, "FHP performed well during fiscal year 1990. Income from operations grew by 35 percent to reach a new record, prior to the reserve adjustment. Capital expenditures reached nearly $50 million during the year, including five new medical centers, a centralized laboratory, and beginning construction of the 125-bed addition to the FHP hospital in Fountain Valley. New individual practice association (IPA) plans were launched in Southern California, and our expansion into the Tucson, Ariz., market yielded over 11,000 new members by fiscal year-end."

Total membership increased to 548,000 at June 30, 1990 from 466,000 at June 30, 1989, an 18 percent increase. FHP's commercial plan membership for those under the age of 65 increased from 338,000 to 381,000 during the year, a 13 percent increase. FHP's Senior Plan, a comprehensive health care program for Medicare recipients, grew from 128,000 to 167,000 members an increase of 30 percent.

FHP plans to continue its expansion program in fiscal 1991, with approximately $100 million slated for capital expenditures. Building plans include continued work on the hospital addition in Fountain Valley, beginning construction on a new hospital in the Utah region, and several new medical centers in various regions to serve the company's growing membership.

FHP International Corp., through its wholly owned subsidiary, FHP Inc., operates staff model, group model, and IPA model health maintenance organizations. The company has operations in Southern California, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico and Guam. FHP is one of the largest Medicare risk contractors in the nation.

CONTACT: Anna Marie Dunlap, associate V.P., or Michael A. Montevideo, associate V.P. and treasurer, both of FHP, 714-963-7233

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#90250p2445 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENCINO, CA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Medical Properties Inc. (AMEX: MPP) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.30 per share, payable Oct. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 28, 1990.

Medical Properties is a real estate investment trust engaged in investing in income producing health care related facilities.

CONTACT: William Hartauer, President of Medical Properties, (818) 902-2270; or Cecilia A. Wilkinson of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, (213) 207-9300, for Medical Properties.

-30- 690

#90250p2447 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Transcisco Industries (AMEX: TNIA and TNIB) announced today that its chairman and CEO, Mark C. Hungerford, will be part of a Presidential Mission to the Soviet Union to demonstrate President Bush's commitment to expanding U.S.-Soviet trade and economic cooperation. Secretary of State James A. Baker, III and secretary of commerce Robert A. Mosbacher will lead the group of 15 U.S. business executives to Moscow and Leningrad Sept. 10-14 for the meetings with senior Soviet officials.

Transcisco Industries has a joint venture in the USSR called SOVFINAMTRANS which is owned by the Ministries of Rail and Petrochemicals of the USSR, HAKA Corp. of Finland and Transcisco Trading Co., a subsidiary of Transcisco Industries Inc. SOVFINAMTRANS is the first and only rail car leasing company in the USSR, and has a fleet of over 1300 tank cars using Transcisco's proprietary Uni-Temp heating system and also operates an additional 1500 of non Uni-Temp equipped tank cars.

The Mission's efforts will focus particularly on energy, housing, transportation, food processing and distribution. The Mission members will report their findings to the President on their return.

Mission participants will meet with President Bush in Helsinki on Sept. 9 after the conclusion of his meeting with President Gorbachev. In the USSR, Mission members will meet with a wide variety of Soviet officials, including President Gorbachev, Prime Minister Ryzhkov, Russian Republic President Yeltsin and other republic leaders, the mayor of Moscow, Gavril Popov, and the mayor of Leningrad, Anatoly Sobchak. The Mission will provide an opportunity for the business executives to exchange views freely with the Soviets on how trade and investment can work to further Soviet economic reforms. The business executives will also discuss a number of projects with their appropriate counterparts in the Soviet industrial ministries to explore possible trade and investment opportunities.

Transcisco Industries operates rail car maintenance and retrofitting operations through its Transcisco Rail Services division and its wholly owned subsidiary, Transcisco Tours, operates a dinner train in San Antonio Texas. Transcisco owns 36 percent of PLM International, an AMEX-listed diversified equipment leasing company that operates tank cars with Transcisco's Uni-Temp heating system. Transcisco expects to diversify its exposure, both in equipment-types and geography, to proprietary

transportation equipment, parts and operating business using its own unique technologies and its proven financing skills.

CONTACT: Robert W. Laversin of Transcisco Industries Inc., 415-477-9788

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#90250p2450 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - BEI Holdings Ltd. (NASDAQ: BEIH) announced the naming of Charles C. Ray Jr. as chief financial officer.

Ray has been with the company since March 19, 1973, and has been president of the firm's real estate subsidiaries. Ray is replacing Douglas A. Bangert Jr., who is leaving the firm to pursue other business interests.

The company also announced that it had named three new directors to the board: Charles C. Ray Jr., chief financial officer; Robert L. Adair III, chairman - BEI Real Estate Services Division; and Thomas M. McGrath, chairman - BEI Consulting Division.

BEI is a diversified consulting firm offering specialized services to banks, thrifts, credit unions and regulatory agencies. Specific areas of expertise include earnings improvement, strategic planning, mergers and acquisitions, regulatory advice, real estate services and human resource consulting.

Since its inception, BEI has served over 800 financial institutions in the United States and abroad. BEI is headquartered in Atlanta with offices throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Charles C. Ray Jr., chief financial officer of BEI Holdings, (404) 768-0205.

-30- 1352

#90250p2458 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILL VALLEY, CA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Vitafort International Corporation (NASDAQ: VFRT) announced today that it will acquire Norwegian Seafood, Inc., based in Palo Alto, Calif., on Sept. 15. Norwegian Seafood is an importer/broker of seafood with annual sales of $7 million and pre-tax profits of $415,000. Terms were not disclosed.

"This acquisition is a logical vertical integration for our Nutrifish Corporation subsidiary, allowing us to expand on NSI's base Norwegian seafood business as a full-line importer/broker," said Jeffrey D. Lewenthal, Vitafort's president and chief executive officer.

Vitafort International, founded in 1986 by Joseph Daly and Dr. Barry

Saltzman, designs nutritionally enhanced food and beverage products and develops fully integrated development, processing and marketing programs for them.

Products sold with the Vitafort logo include: PowerBurst sports drink, Crystal Geyser mineral water and Crystal Geyser juice squeeze.

Products carrying, or planning to carry, the Nutrifish logo include Mount Lassen's pink rainbow trout, Norwegian salmon, Maine Pride salmon, Arrowhead Fisheries sturgeon and Don Rey Fisheries catfish.

CONTACT: Jeffrey D. Lewenthal, president of Vitafort International, 415-388-3738

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#90250p2462 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Genus Inc. (NASDAQ: GGNS) said today that it will announce an integrated system for CVD blanket tungsten and etch processes in mid October. This machine, which has been designed to meet the stringent specifications of advanced semiconductor manufacturing, will completely integrate the blanket tungsten and etch processes to produce tungsten plugs.

These new systems are currently nearing completion of beta-site testing with several large IC manufacturers and are on schedule for meeting sign-off for production specifications. Within the next two months, Genus will begin demonstrating the system's capability to additional customers.

"Genus has nine years of tungsten CVD and process development experience," said Clark Fuhs, a Genus Thin Film Division marketing manager, "and we have used our experience in the field to develop a system that will provide the industry with flawless, void-free fills for advanced device plug applications.

"Over 70 percent of design decisions being made today for future devices are implementing tungsten in plug applications rather than in interconnects," Fuhs continued. "Advanced technology is proving that tungsten plug and aluminum interconnect combinations provide the fastest devices.

"The focus of our new etch process is on flexibility to achieve extraordinarily good plug specifications. The system's etch process ensures minimal plug recess at less than 1000 angstroms at both wafer edge and center.

"Additional processes, to be integrated with blanket tungsten, will be available during the coming year. In the future, the system will have

capability for applications other than blanket tungsten and etch-black.

"We are excited about offering the best integration technology for high volume production in the industry," stated Kenneth Schroeder, Genus president and chief operating officer. "Genus has integrated two critical processes, blanket tungsten deposition and etch, in proven high-throughput CVD and etch reactor hardware. This technology, developed in partnership with our customers, ensures them easy process transfer to volume production. Genus customers will also benefit from the yield and cost advantages derived from integrated processing as compared to stand-alone options," he concluded.

Genus Inc. is the leading manufacturer of production equipment for tungsten CVD and high energy implantation. Genus products are used in the fabrication of advanced semiconductor integrated circuits by major semiconductor manufacturers around the world.

CONTACT: Clark Fuhs or Marilyn Lund of Genus Inc., 415-960-1120

-30- 2847

#90250p2463 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Datamap, Inc. announced today the signing of a letter of intent with ISO Commercial Risk Services, Inc. (CRS), ISO Telecommunications, Inc. (ISOTEL), and EDS Corp. to provide computerized risk management technology for the property and casualty insurance industry.

This initiative will develop an underwriting management system combining computerized Geographic Information Systems (GIS) technology and high-speed telecommunications.

Using Datamap's proprietary geographic databases and digital geographic models, CRS' classification data, IOSTEL's electronic access, and EDS' technology management, the companies will develop a user-friendly system for insurance companies to underwrite risks. The computerized GIS approach will greatly reduce the probability of errors in determining the correct hazard classification zones for an insured property.

The Insurance Services Organization (ISO) is based in New York and provides services to its participating companies. CRS and IOSTEL are subsidiaries of ISO, and provide insurance-related data and services to the property and casualty insurance industry.

EDS based in Dallas, Texas, is the leading provider of information technology services to customers worldwide. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

Datamap, Inc., based in Eden Prairie, Minn., is a publicly held firm specializing in digital geographic databases, mapping services, and GIS-related application software. Datamap is traded over-the-counter in Minneapolis/St. Paul.

CONTACT: Allen Witters of Datamap, Inc., (612) 941-0900; or Tom de Petra of First Financial Investor Relations, (612) 338-7630, for Datamap.

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#90250p2467 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Emanuel Pearlman, on behalf of the Committee for Maximizing Shareholder Value of Healthco International, Inc. announced today that the committee delivered to the company last night and is delivering today written consent cards executed by stockholders holding approximately 4,200,700 shares of the company's outstanding common stock out of a record date total of 7,734,592 shares as of June 25, 1990, the record date for the consent solicitation. Under Delaware law, the delivery of valid consents from more than 50 percent of the stockholders of Healthco would effectuate removal of the current board of directors and the election of the committee's nominees.

An action was commenced last night in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware against the company and its current directors seeking a judgment declaring that the current directors have been lawfully removed from office by Healthco's stockholders, and the committee's nominees elected in their place, as well as for appropriate injunctive relief to implement the judgment.

Pearlman stated, "We are delighted that the stockholders have elected our nominees and thereby supported our platform of maximizing shareholder values. We are hopeful of a smooth transition of the board for the benefit of the stockholders, the employees of Healthco and its customers."

CONTACT: Emanuel R. Pearlman of Gemini Partners, 212-832-5100, or Brian Maddox of Georgeson & Company, 212-440-9862, for Gemini Partners

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#90250p2469 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MICH. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company has informed employees at its Atlanta Assembly Plant and its Lorain (Ohio) Assembly Plant Econoline/Club Wagon assembly system that the facilities will be idled the week of Sept. 10.

The downtime at both plants is necessitated by a shortage of dealer orders.

Atlanta employs approximately 2,500 hourly personnel on two shifts and

builds about 5,000 Taurus and Sable models per week. Approximately 2,000 hourly personnel on two shifts of the Econoline/Club Wagon assembly system are affected. They build about 4,000 units per week.

CONTACT: Joel Pitcoff, 313-337-3753, or June Larsen, 313-337-3755, both of Ford

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#90250p2472 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HADDON HEIGHTS, N.J. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - New Jersey-American Water Co. has filed a request with the state Board of Public Utilities today for a 16 percent overall rate increase.

The proposed increase is expected to generate approximately $21.5 million in additional annual revenues for expenses involved in providing water services and operating sewer collection systems.

Company officials indicated that more than $66 million in additional plant investments through June 1991 are reflected in this proposal. Included in these costs are improvements such as meter and hydrant replacements and new operating equipment. Additional investment was necessary for the replacement and reinforcement of water mains in all service areas and expenses needed to improve water treatment processes necessary to maintain water quality standards.

In many parts of the state, consumption over the past two years has been lower than in previous years, primarily due to a reduction in outdoor water usage. Consequently, the company officials said, the rates proposed in this filing reflect both the rising cost of providing water service and the decrease in usage.

Under the proposed rates, an average residential customer using 21,000 gallons per quarter would see an increase in their quarterly bill as listed below according to location:

For customers in Morris, Somerset, Union and Essex counties (except for those in North Caldwell and Cedar Grove Township), an average quarterly bill would change from $65.91 to $75.37, an increase of 14.4 percent.

For customers in Passaic County and the North Caldwell and Cedar Grove Township sections of Essex County, an average quarterly bill would change from $59.96 to $68.56, an increase of 14.4 percent.

For customers in Monmouth County, an average quarterly bill would change from $77.24 to $90.77, an increase of 17.5 percent.

For customers in Hunterdon, Warren, Middlesex, Ocean, Burlington, Camden,

Atlantic and Cape May counties, an average quarterly bill would change from $55.90 to $65.68, an increase of 17.5 percent.

A rate change is also proposed for New Jersey-American Water Co.'s Ocean City and Lakewood customers who receive sewer collection services. Customers in Ocean City who use 6,900 cubic feet of water per year, with 2,500 cubic feet used during the prior summer quarter, pay an annual sewer bill of $328.68 (one cubic foot of water is equal to 7.48 gallons). Under the proposed rates this would change to $365.49, which represents an increase of 11.2 percent.

Under the proposed rates, an average quarterly sewer bill for a Lakewood customer who uses 15,000 gallons of water (passing through a 5/8-inch meter) would increase from $78.50 to $80.85, representing an increase of 3 percent.

Sewer charges for Ocean City and Lakewood customers are based on general sewer collection operating expenses along with charges for the delivery of wastewater to the Cape May County Municipal Utilities Authority and the Ocean County Municipal Utilities Authority.

New Jersey-American Water Co. serves approximately 302,000 customers in 109 New Jersey communities. The company's Western Division provides water service to 85,650 customer accounts in Burlington and Camden counties.

CONTACT: Michael J. Chern of New Jersey-American Water,
609-547-1700, ext. 302, or after hours, 609-983-2865

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#90250p2474 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OH (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Roadway Express, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROAD) announced today that the continuing rise in fuel prices has made it necessary for the motor carrier to increase its fuel surcharge from one-and-two-tenths (1.2) percent to one-and-seven-tenths (1.7) percent. The additional one-half percent is subjet to Interstate Commerce Commission review and will become effective on Sept. 14, 1990.

Michael W. Wickham, president of Roadway Express, stated, "We have resisted this action even though our fuel prices have continued to rise since Aug. 17th when we first announced a fuel surcharge. We cannot continue to absorb the negative effects rising fuel costs have made on our operating margins. The surcharge is related solely to the recovery of our increasing fuel costs."

Wickham further explained that Roadway implemented a policy of reviewing the prior week's fuel price developments every Friday, with any appropriate adjustments to be implemented the following Friday. "This

notification period should help our customers' planning efforts and minimize the economic and administrative effects any changes may have on them," he said.

Roadway Express, based in Akron, Ohio, is one of the nation's largest motor carriers serving more than 58,000 communities in all fifty states, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico and Guam.

CONTACT: D.A. Wilson, vice president - finance and secretary of Roadway Services, Inc., 216-384-8184

-30- 1618
#90250p2478 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company has informed employees at its Atlanta Assembly Plant and its Lorain (Ohio) Assembly Plant Econoline/Club Wagon assembly system that the facilities will be idled the week of Sept. 10. The downtime at both plants is necessitated by a shortage of dealer orders.

Atlanta employs approximately 2,500 hourly personnel on two shifts and builds about 5,000 Taurus and Sable models per week. Approximately 2,000 hourly personnel on two shifts of the Econoline/Club Wagon assembly system are affected. They build about 4,000 units per week.

CONTACT: Joel Pitcoff, (313) 337-3753, or June Larsen, (313) 337-3755, both of Ford.

-30- 858
#90250p2481 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Sysco Corporation (NYSE: SYY) today announced the declaration of the regular quarterly dividend of $0.05 per share payable on Nov. 16, 1990 to common shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 26, 1990.

Sysco is the nation's largest foodservice marketing and distribution organization. The company provides its products and services to approximately 225,000 customers located across the United States and western Canada.

The Sysco distribution network currently covers virtually the entire continental United States including all of its 150 largest cities. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, the company reported sales of $7.6 billion and net earnings of $132.5 million.

CONTACT: E. James Lowrey, executive vice president-finance and administration of Sysco, (713) 584-1390.

-30- 1014

#90250p2491 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - A former senior vice president at ComFed Mortgage Company, a subsidiary of ComFed Savings Bank, pleaded guilty today to bank fraud, to making false statements to a federally insured bank, and to conspiracy.

Wayne A. Budd, U.S. Attorney for the District of Massachusetts, announced that Vincent J. Crupi of Peabody pleaded guilty to five counts of bank fraud, five counts of making statements to a federally insured bank, and one count of conspiracy relating to ComFed Savings Bank. Crupi is the former branch manager of the Boston office of ComFed.

At the plea hearing, a federal prosecutor stated that, had the case gone to trial, the government would have introduced evidence that during the fall of 1987 and the spring of 1988, Crupi falsified information concerning the purchase price, income and assets of ComFed borrowers at a condominium development located at Atwood Street, Revere, Mass.

The condominiums were developed by Ciambelli and Pagliuca Development Corporation. The federal prosecutor also stated during the plea hearing that Crupi entered into the scheme to defraud ComFed in order to obtain greater commissions on the loans he originated.

U.S. District Court Judge John J. McNaught set Crupi's sentencing for Nov. 2, 1990. Crupi faces a maximum sentence of 40 years incarceration and a total of $2,750,000 in fines.

The case was investigated by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Martin F. Murphy, chief of the Major Crimes Division, and Margaret R. Hinkle, of the Economic Crimes Division.

Budd said that this is the fourth former ComFed employee to plead guilty to bank fraud. Budd also said that the federal investigation of mortgage loan fraud at ComFed Savings Bank is continuing.

CONTACT: Susan Spurlock of the U.S. Attorney's Office, (617) 223-9445.

-30- 2094

#90250p2495 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Turner Corporation (AMEX: TUR), America's leading general builder, today announced that Turner Construction Company's Nashville office has begun pre- construction on a 250,000-square-foot ambulatory care facility and a 55,000 square-foot burn

center for the Regional Medical Center at Memphis.

The first phase of construction on this $35-million project is expected to begin in early January 1991. As well as the two major healthcare additions, Turner will construct an 800-car parking garage to support these new facilities. The project is expected to be completed in 1993.

"We are very pleased to be working with this new client on such a significant project," commented Richard Manteuffel, group vice president for Turner's South Central Group. "Turner is continually striving to further its impact on the healthcare industry." For the past three years, The Turner Corporation has been named Top General Contractor in the Modern Healthcare Design & Construction Survey.

The Turner Corporation, through Turner Construction Company and other construction subsidiaries, is the nation's largest builder of commercial, industrial, hospital and healthcare, institutional, government building and multi-unit housing projects. Operating through more than 35 offices, Turner has construction projects underway throughout the United States and abroad. During 1989, The Turner Corporation completed $3.6 billion of construction.

CONTACT: Beverly Benn of Turner Corporation, (212) 878-0498.

-30- 1731

#90250p2502 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to the government activation of military reservists caused by developments in the Middle East, Frank A. Sollitto, chairman of the IUE-GM Conference Board, and Alfred S. Warren Jr., GM vice-president of Industrial Relations Staff, announced today that the corporation will grant military leave pay to IUE-represented GM workers who are called to active duty.

"This action is intended to soften the impact of the transition these workers must make from civilian to military life and demonstrate our common commitment to the Military Reserve System in the U.S.," Yokich and Warren said.

Military leave pay will provide the difference between a IUE- represented worker's regular wage and the wages and allowance provided by the military for a 30-day period for those called to active duty status during the current crisis in the Middle East.

CONTACT: John Maciarz of General Motors, 313-556-2030

-30- 1122

#90250p2504 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Beard Oil Company (AMEX: BOC) today announced that it has an undivided 25 percent working interest in an important wildcat well that was spudded on Aug. 29, 1990 on its Big River Prospect in the Upper Cook inlet of southern Alaska. The Prospect was featured in the company's 1989 Annual Report.

Herb Mee Jr., president of Beard Oil, said that: "The company and industry partners will spend in excess of $6 million to drill a 7,500 foot well, the ARCO Alaska Inc. ("ARCO") Sturgeon No. 1 well, to test the Tertiary which is the principal producing unit in the Cook Inlet Basin. The wildcat is being drilled updip from the Beard State No. 1-11 wildcat well which was drilled on an indicated geological structure located approximately 1-3/4 miles west of Kalgin Island. The Beard State No. 1-11 well was plugged and abandoned in 1984 after being drilled by Union Pacific Resources Co. (UPRC) of Ft. Worth, Texas, a subsidiary of Union Pacific Corp., Beard Oil and other partners."

Mee stated that Beard Oil first purchased leases in the Kalgin Island region of the Cook inlet 18 years ago and has developed several separate and distinct prospects in the general area over that time period. Subsequent to drilling the Beard State No. 1-11 well UPRC and Beard Oil did extensive additional seismic in the area and located another prospect lying to the west of their original acreage block. The Big River Prospect currently being drilled lies approximately 100 miles southwest of Anchorage, Alaska and approximately 30 miles southwest of the McArthur River field which has produced more than 500 million barrels of oil.

ARCO, the operator for the Sturgeon No. 1 well, contracted with global Marine Drilling Co. to move its jackup drilling rig, Adriatic VIII, from West Africa to drill the exploratory well. Following the 13,000-mile, 45-day trek, the rig was winterized in Seward Harbor before moving to the location.

Beard Oil Co. is a diversified natural resource development company headquartered in Oklahoma City. Its principal business is oil and gas exploration and production, with an emphasis on secondary recovery operations. The company is also involved in oilfield services, carbon dioxide (CO_2) and iodine production. Beard Oil Co.'s common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol: BOC.

CONTACT: Herb Mee Jr. of Beard Oil Co., 405-842-2333; or Cheryl Hudak of Cheryl Mayfield Hudak Communications, 405-848-3520 for Bear Oil Co.

-30- 2733

#90250p2505 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KAN. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) today asked the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to

defer any action on Kansas City Power & Light Company's (NYSE: KLT) application for permission to acquire KG&E until a federal court determines the legality of KCP&L's unsolicited tender offer.

KG&E's motion, filed today, says the question of whether KCP&L's tender offer is legal under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, and Rule 51 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, is a "very real issue" now pending in the U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas.

The document says the KCP&L tender offer violates Rule 51 which provides that making a tender offer "shall be deemed unlawful" unless the offer is expressly conditioned on receiving prior SEC approval. "From its commencement of the tender offer, KCP&L has violated and continues to violate Rule 51," the motion says.

The motion says that "it would not be in the public interest for the commission or the parties to consider the application if the transaction forming its basis is illegal."

CONTACT: Lyle Koerper of Kansas Gas and Electric, 316-261-6207

-30- 1390

#90250p2508 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONROE, CT (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Taunton Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: TTEK) announced today that the European Patent Office has awarded two patents entitled Method and Apparatus for Ophthalmological Surgery (EPO No. 0151869 and EPO No. 0207648) to Dr. Francis A. L'Esperance, Jr. and assigned to Taunton Technologies.

In addition, the company was recently informed that the Canadian Patent Office has awarded four patents to Dr. L'Esperance on Method and Apparatus for Ophthalmic Surgery which are being assigned to Taunton (Canadian patents No. 1,243,732; No. 1,254,658; No. 1,259,105; No. 1,271,813).

CONTACT: John W. Warner, president of Taunton Technologies, 203-261-4708

-30- 831

#90250p2512 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Irvine based FGS Insurance Agency Inc. filed a complaint today, Sept. 7, against Roxani Gillepsie as commissioner of the California Department of Insurance (DOI). The suit was filed in Superior Court in Orange County. The complaint alleges that Gillespie is unlawfully and wastefully expending state funds to harm FGS.

Specifically, the complaint states that the DOI instituted a toll-free

hotline for which it solicits calls from actual and prospective FGS customers and has used this hotline to improperly claim that FGS provides inferior service, that the DOI will revoke FGS' license and that the insureds should not do business with FGS.

Furthermore, the complaint states that the DOI has harmed FGS by threatening to investigate or otherwise harm insurers on the basis of their continuing to transact business with FGS.

It further states that DOI investigators entered FGS facilities without authorization and aggressively solicited customers on the premises to call them. These investigators even waited in the FGS parking lot and handed them out business cards, seeking customers to call them.

In addition, the complaint states that the DOI has harmed FGS by threatening to seek revocation of licenses held by FGS employees who requested assistance of counsel during interrogation by DOI investigators.

The complaint seeks a declaration that the department is acting unlawfully. It also seeks a restraining order stopping the DOI from committing its illegal activities and to enjoin the commissioner from spending any further state funds on such illegal activities.

FGS President Alan Greenberg has indicated that the company is also considering a suit for damages it has sustained as a result of the department's unlawful actions and harassment. FGS is represented by Milford W. Dahl Jr. with the firm of Rutan & Tucker.

CONTACT: Harvey Englander of Campaign Management Inc., (714) 755-3555, for FGS.

-30- 2174

#90250p2516 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CONN. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - H. William Lichtenberger, president and chief operating officer of Union Carbide Corporation (NYSE: UK) and president of Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc. (UCC&P), today announced several organizational changes in UCC&P. In making the announcement, Lichtenberger said the changes are being made "to further facilitate decision-making and focus efforts on improving the competitive standing of the company's businesses as the quality leaders and low-cost producers in the chemical industry."

William H. Joyce, currently president of the Polyolefins Division, has been promoted to the newly created position of executive vice president of UCC&P, reporting to Lichtenberger. Roger B. Staub has been named president of the Polyolefins Division, reporting to Joyce.

P. T. (Pete) Wright, formerly head of the International Petrochemicals Division, has been named group vice president of UCC&P, reporting to Lichtenberger. He succeeds Nathan L. Zutty, who has elected to retire later this year.

Also reporting to Joyce will be Fred J. Costello, president, Solvents and Coatings Materials Division; A. William Lutz, president, Industrial Chemicals Division; B. G. (Bob) Perry, UCC&P vice-president of engineering manufacturing and technology services; W. Norman Kissick, in his responsibility for Union Carbide Canada Limited's chemicals and plastics business; Leonard M. Baker, vice president, corporate technology; and Michael G. Skelsey, vice-president/general manager of the International Petrochemicals Department.

Reporting to Wright will be Joseph S. Byck, vice president of strategic planning for UCC&P and the corporation; W. William Lindner, UCC&P vice-president, purchasing and distribution; Ronald Van Mynen, UCC&P vice-president, health, safety and environmental affairs; and James N. Barton, director, general services.

Wright will also head UCC&P International, the organization that hosts UCC&P's worldwide operations. Reporting to Wright in this capacity will be: Mario E. Joesler, vice-president, Europe; R. Natarajan, vice-president Asia Pacific; M. William Ranney, vice- president, Japan; and Richard A. Daily, vice-president, Pan America.

Joseph C. Soviero continues as president of the Specialty Chemicals Division, reporting to Lichtenberger. "This business faces the unique challenge among UCC&P's chemicals and plastics businesses of promoting the rapid growth of existing products and services while developing new businesses that can leverage Carbide technologies into emerging growth markets," said Lichtenberger. That division also manages UCC&P's participation in UOP, UCC&P's largest joint venture.

CONTACT: Ed Van Den Ameele of Union Carbide, 203-794-6985

-30- 2986

#90250p2526 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Wolverine Exploration Co. (NASDAQ, PSE: WEXC) has declared a dividend of $.5625 per share on its Convertible Exchangeable Preferred Stock.

The dividend will be payable on September 30, 1990, to holders of record on close of business on September 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Jeffrey L. Stevens of Wolverine Exploration Company, (817) 335-4701.

-30- 581
#90250p2533 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Flying Food Fare Inc., the up-and-coming airline food caterer, today named David L. Lanham its president. Sue Ling Gin, founder and chairman of the company, said, "We are delighted to have such an experienced person on board to lead us during this time of tremendous growth and opportunity for our company."

Prior to joining Flying Food Fare in 1989 as vice president of operations, Lanham, 46, had had 22 years of experience in airline catering and has held executive positions with Ogden Food Corp., Marriott Corp., and Ariston Airline Catering.

Flying Food Fare Inc. was established in 1983 to offer upgraded inflight food service to Chicago's Midway Airlines. The company now services other airlines, both domestically and internationally, with annual billings totaling in excess of $20,000,000.

CONTACT: Louise Gilliam of Flying Food Fare, (312) 243-2882.

-30- 1068
#90250p2535 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
UNIVERSAL CITY, CA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Pictures has optioned the rights to Michael Blodgett's best-selling novel "Captain Blood" and his screenplay adaptation based on the book, it was announced today by Tom Pollock, chairman of the MCA Motion Picture Group, and Casey Silver, president of production for Universal Pictures.

The book will be made into a major motion picture to be written and produced by Blodgett through his company, Blodgett Productions, which will be based on the Universal Studios lot.

"'Captain Blood' is an extraordinary novel, intensely emotional and terrifyingly frank," says Pollack. "Michael Blodgett's writing has that uniquely powerful impact which makes for a great film."

"Captain Blood" is a thriller about a charismatic Los Angeles apartment building manager who lives by his own set of laws. When someone is victimized, he is the first to come to their aid, dealing out his own special brand of justice. Author and Academy-Award-winning screenwriter Mario Puzo has called the book "one of the most savagely graphic and terrifying novels I've read in years."

An actor and writer, Blodgett has appeared in over 200 films and TV shows. He co-wrote such films as "Turner and Hooch," "Rent-A-Cop" and "Hero and

the Terror" (based on his novel), as well as the upcoming "Man of Honor" starring Steven Seagal and "Run" starring Patrick Dempsey.

Blodgett was represented in the negotiations by Gerry Zietman and David List of The Agency and attorney Ken Ziffrin.

CONTACT: Alan Sutton of Universal Pictures, (818) 777-4598.

-30- 1773

#90250p2538 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Seamen's Corporation announced today that holders of a majority of the company's class A common stock, the company's only outstanding class of stock, approved a plan of liquidation and dissolution (the plan) of the company at a special meeting of the stockholders held yesterday.

Pursuant to the plan, the company will cease business operations. Its corporate existence will continue, but solely for the purpose of liquidating its assets, winding up its business affairs, paying its liabilities and distributing its remaining assets, if any, under the plan.

On April 18, 1990, the company's principal asset, the Seamen's Bank for Savings, FSB (the savings bank), was placed into receivership by the Office of Thrift Supervision, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation was appointed as receiver, and certain of the Savings Bank's assets and liabilities were sold to the Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A.

The company's class A stock is traded over-the-counter, and is no longer listed on the American Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Jeanne Strange of Seamen's, 214-739-3900

-30- 1271

#90250p2539 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of L&N Housing Corp. (NYSE: LHC) announced today that it will pay a dividend for the third quarter of Fiscal 1990 of 26 cents per share. The 26 cents includes the effect of placing one of its participations on nonaccrual during the quarter. If this asset had been on nonaccrual for the entire quarter, the dividend would have been approximately 21 cents.

The dividend will be payable Sept. 28, 1990 to stockholders of record as of Sept. 17, 1990.

L&N Housing Corp. is qualified as a real estate investment trust and is managed by Lomas Financial Corp.

CONTACT: Carey Wickland, 214-746-7230; or Gary White, 214-746-7180, both of L&N Housing Corp.

-30- 886

#90250p2541 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Belmac Corporation (AMEX: BLM) announced today that it has filed suit against its former president and chief executive officer, John Macleod, and its former counsel Stanley Hagendorf, for having misappropriated to their own use a pharmaceutical product tradenamed Odicine (R).

The suit filed in Pinellas County Circuit Court alleges that in late 1987, Macleod and Hagendorf breached their duties as officers and directors of Belmac by intentionally withholding from the directors of Belmac the opportunity for the company to invest in Odocine (R), while at the same time creating a separate corporation, Pharmacin, through which they acquired rights to Odocine (R).

Odocine (R), which was already approved for sale in France in the spring of 1988, is a patented new advanced form of erythromycin antibiotic for use in the treatment of a variety of common bacterial infections. The drug has already been licensed to a major U.S. pharmaceutical company for distribution in more than 20 countries worldwide.

Belmac Corporation's first product is a new antihemorrhoidal drug called Alphanon (R) which has recently completed clinical trials in France, the report of which will appear in a leading medical journal in the near future.

CONTACT: John P. Warnick, vice president and chief financial officer of Belmac Corporation, (813) 286-4401.

-30- 1566

#90250p2542 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON, (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthco International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLCO), in response to an announcement by Gemini Partners L.P. that Gemini had delivered to the company consent cards from stockholders owning more than 50 percent of Healthco's common stock, stated the following:

In view of the circumstances surrounding the obtaining of these consents by Gemini, we have serious concerns as to their validity and are, therefore, currently conducting a ministerial review of the consents for the purpose of determining this. More important, based on our review so far, it appears that Gemini does not have, as it has claimed, consents representing more than 50 percent of Healthco's stock.

"Moreover, all of Gemini's consents would appear to have been obtained in violation of the federal proxy rules and, therefore, are invalid. We intend to press this view promptly in all appropriate forums.

"Until we have completed our review, and our concerns under the proxy rules have been resolved, we believe that any claim by Mr. Pearlman that Gemini has won control of Healthco is, to say the least, premature."

CONTACT: Stanley J. Kay or Neil J. Call of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for Healthco International

-30- 1402

#90250p2544 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SMYRNA, GA. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Banker's Note Inc. (NASDAQ: BKNT) an Atlanta-based chain of 75 specialty women's apparel stores, and Heirlooms Inc., the company's Philadelphia-based majority-owned manufacturing subsidiary of women's apparel, reported consolidated earnings for the second quarter, ended Aug. 4, of $19,000 compared with a pro-forma loss of ($105,000) a year earlier, when adjusted for the prior year acquisition of Heirlooms in August of 1989.

For the six months, profits increased to $296,000 from a pro-forma $139,000 profit a year earlier. The company had recorded a 1989 profit of $100,000 for the second quarter and $284,000 for the prior six months before considering the impact of the Heirlooms purchase. The second quarter included four months of Heirlooms operations as Heirlooms is changing its year end from Dec. 31 to coincide with The Banker's Note's fiscal year end. This additional period offset $226,000 of Heirlooms' four month, second quarter loss. Heirlooms has historically incurred losses in its second quarter due to the seasonality of its wholesale shipping.

Consolidated sales for the second quarter were $12,850,000 compared with pro-forma sales of $11,020,000. Year-to-date sales were $25,998,000, compared with $22,470,000. Sales for the prior year's second quarter and six months were $9,340,000 and $19,123,000, respectively, before adjusting the comparison for the impact of the Heirlooms acquisition. The inclusion of Heirlooms' additional month served to increase second quarter and year-to-date sales by $1,963,000.

Earnings per share were $.01 in the second quarter compared with a pro-forma loss of ($.03) per share last year. For the six months, earnings per share were $.09 compared with $.04 in the prior year. Earnings per share for the prior year second quarter and six months were $.03 and $.09 cents, respectively, before adjusting for the impact of the Heirlooms purchase.

The company's outlook on the women's retail apparel specialty industry for the second half of 1990 is one of caution. Management anticipates that business will be difficult but is committed to remaining profitable for the balance of 1990.

CONTACT: Thomas J. Thirkell, chief financial officer of The Banker's Note, 404-432-0636

-30- 2491

#90250p2552 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - William J. Ryan, president and chief operating officer of Hanson Publishing Group, today announced the appointment of William D. Holiber as vice president and group publisher.

In his expanded role Holiber, who is currently publisher of Hanson's Inside Media, will be responsible for all marketing and editorial functions for Hanson's Catalog Age and Direct Magazines, as well as Inside Media.

In one short year under Holiber's leadership, Inside Media has become a significant "must read" publication for media executives throughout the United States.

Prior to joining Hanson Publishing, he was associate publisher at Food and Beverage Marketing, a position preceded by a successful advertising sales career at Westchester Illustrated.

Hanson Publishing Group's magazine titles include Folio: The Magazine for Magazine Management; Folio's Publishing News, The Magazine of News Analysis; Direct, The Magazine for Direct Marketing Management; Catalog Age and Inside Media. The multi-title business magazine publisher is based in Stamford.

CONTACT: Robin Altman of The Hanson Publishing Group, 203-358-9900, ext. 375

-30- 1354

#90250p2562 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, N.Y. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael Mortimer, president of MHP Machines, Inc., today announced results for the third quarter which ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter were $2,888,000 compared to $4,489,000 for the same period last year. Net loss was $236,000 for the quarter compared to a profit of $46,000 last year.

For the first nine months of the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales were $8,489,000 compared to $13,148,000 last year, a decrease of 35.4 percent. The net loss for the nine months was $793,000 compared to a net profit of $109,000 last year.

U.S. sales decreased 53.9 percent for the quarter and 33.9 percent for nine months compared to the same periods last year. Overseas sales decreased 5.4 percent for the quarter and 34.7 percent for nine months as measured in local currencies, and decreased 3.0 percent for the quarter and 37.8 percent for nine months in U.S. dollars.

Total backlog at June 30, 1990 was $1,613,000 compared to $629,000 at June 30, 1989.

MHP manufactures metalcutting computer-numerically controlled machining and turning centers and has operations in both the United States and the United Kingdom.

CONTACT: Michael Mortimer, president and chief financial officer of MHP Machines, 716-668-0221

-30- 1466

#90250p2563 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Nathan Morton, president of Soft Warehouse, has announced today that due to current stock market conditions Soft Warehouse has elected to postpone its initial public offering.

The company plans to meet its interim capital needs to fund expansion by a private placement.

It is anticipated that the company will reschedule its initial public offering as soon as market conditions so warrant.

CONTACT: Nathan Morton, president of Soft Warehouse, 214-484-8500

-30- 673

#90250p2564 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KAN. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Rodeo Meats, Inc. today announced the recall of all Rodeo Brand Fresh Pork Sausage bearing the code number 230 and establishment number 17D. The product may contain pieces of hard plastic which could cause injuries if ingested. The product should be returned to the place of purchase for full refund or exchange. Rodeo Fresh Pork Sausage code 230 and establishment number 17D was distributed in Kansas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Missouri and may have been distributed in Texas, Colorado, New Mexico, Nebraska and Tennessee.

Only Rodeo Fresh Pork Sausage, code 230 and establishment number 17D, is affected by this recall. Rodeo Fresh Pork Sausage with any other code and establishment number and all other Rodeo Products are not affected by the recall.

Rodeo Meats has taken steps to remove all remaining inventories of Rodeo Fresh Pork Sausge code 230 from retail stores and other sources of distribution.

CONTACT: Michael Smith of Rodeo Meats, Inc., 316-442-8370

-30- 1171

#90250p2568 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SACRAMENTO, CA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The California Trucking Association has announced that it intends to purchase cellular telephones and service to be used by its members from PacTel Cellular.

The arrangement is the first of its kind in the state between a trucking industry organization and a cellular service provider. As a result, CTA's members will be able to establish mobile communications capabilities that can handle both voice and data transmissions. The CTA estimates that the arrangement could result in sales of up to 20,000 cellular phones.

"Cellular capabilities will significantly increase CTA members' productivity and efficiency," said Don Harris, PacTel Cellular vice president of corporate development. "Mobile communications have proven valuable to other industries. They hold the same promise for trucking."

The CTA, with some 2,500 members statewide, it is also separately purchasing telecommunications services from Pacific Bell, AT&T and GTE for use by its members.

Thomas C. Schumacher, CTA's executive vice president, said the telecommunications arrangements will improve the efficiency of the trucking industry.

"It is our commitment to provide the highest quality products and services to our members," said Schumacher. "PacTel's established leadership in the cellular marketplace, in addition to its commitment to assist CTA in its goal of improving the trucking industry's capabilities, were major factors in our decision to purchase its service," he said.

The PacTel agreement gives CTA members a single point of contact in arranging for cellular service and enables them to receive the best available prices.

In addition, cellular features such as roaming, which allows users to use service when outside their home area, will particularly benefit CTA members, said Gary N. Schindler, PacTel Cellular's area vice president for Inland California and Nevada.

"The trucking industry is the backbone of California commerce," said Schindler. "We believe cellular communications will play a vital role in improving the communication of CTA's members and of the industry."

PacTel Cellular is the largest provider of cellular service in California with interests in systems serving Sacramento, San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego, Chico, Redding, Stockton and Modesto.

It is a wholly owned subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group (NYSE: PAC), a worldwide diversified telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

CONTACT: Stephen Saks of California Trucking Association, (916) 371-7558; or Michael Runzler, (714) 222-7113, or Barbara Sullivan, (916) 646-3773, both of PacTel Cellular.

-30- 2859

#90250p2569 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OH (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Centers, Inc. (NASDAQ: HCEN), formerly First Family Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: FFAM) today reported net earnings of $100 thousand, or $.03 per share, on sales of $17.2 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990. Net earnings for the comparable second quarter a year ago were $138 thousand, or $.04 per share, on sales of $19.3 million.

For the six months ended July 31, 1990, net earnings were $40 thousand, or $.01 per share, compared to a net loss of $172 thousand, or $.05 per share for the six months ended July 31, 1989. Net sales for the current six months were $32.5 million compared to $35 million in the prior year.

"The decrease in second quarter sales from that of a year ago was primarily attributable to a substantial decline in sales of air conditioners, refrigerators and freezers," said Theodore R. Princehorn, president of Home Centers. According to Princehorn, "The below-average sales performance of compressor-related products was a direct result of extremely unusual summer weather in central and northeastern Ohio."

Home Centers is a retailer of name brand major appliances and consumer electronics operating 19 retail and three rental stores in Ohio.

CONTACT: T.R. Princehorn, or R.W. Reese, 216-733-1475, both of Home Centers

-30- 1462
#90250p2584 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
EDEN PRAIRIE, MN (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation (OTC: CPTC) announced today that the U.S. Army has purchased 40 of its office systems for use in Operation Desert Shield. The order calls for immediate delivery of the computers.

"It's our understanding that the Army was having difficulty getting computer equipment on a rush basis," said Tom Flavin of CPT's International Sales department. "CPT has an excellent local reputation with the Saudi Arabians for product quality as well as service and support. That, combined with our commitment to assist Operation Desert Shield and deliver these systems within 36 hours, made CPT an especially good choice for the Army."

Flavin added that CPT computers are listed on the government's GSA schedule of approved vendors, which made the transaction possible and guaranteed the Army highly competitive pricing on the CPT systems and workstations.

"We are delighted that CPT can assist in the military's efforts in Operation Desert Shield," said CPT President and CEO Arun Dube. "The army has indicated that it may have additional requirements for CPT equipment, and we're committed to doing whatever it takes to get them the systems they need." Dube added that CPT's Saudi Arabian distributor, Mick Gordon, "deserves a great deal of credit for a job very well done."

CONTACT: David Priebe of CPT Corporation, 612-949-1728

-30- 1573
#90250p2586 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - ICOT Corp. (NASDAQ: ICOT) today announced sales and earnings for fiscal year 1990.

For the 12 months ended July 28, 1990, sales were $14,344,000 compared to sales in the like period last year of $23,397,000. The company incurred a net loss of ($698,000) or ($.06) per share for fiscal 1990 as compared to a net loss of ($12,375,000) or ($1.09) for the prior fiscal year. The results of operations reflect the company's sale of its EFTPOS business to VeriFone Inc. in June 1989.

For the three months ended July 28, 1990, sales were $3,101,000 compared to $3,619,000 in the like period last year. For the quarter, ICOT incurred a net loss of ($960,000) or ($.08) per share as compared to net loss of ($5,702,000) or ($.47) per share for the fourth quarter of the

prior year.

According to Joe Becker, president of ICOT, "The decline in fourth quarter sales for this fiscal year as compared to last ficcal year is primarily attributable to the absence of airline terminal sales. As mentioned in the company's Third Quarter Report, the company no longer expects to sell airline terminal products."

Becker further said, "ICOT is planning to continue investing in strengthening its engineering, sales and marketing functions in order to better capitalize on its market opportunities. This investment will likely result in the company reporting losses for the next several quarters."

ICOT Corp. is a provider of data communications systems including network interfaces and gateways. The products are sold throughout the world from its corporate headquarters in San Jose, sales offices located throughout the United States and a wholly-owned subsidiary in the United Kingdom.

ICOT CORP.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited)
(Dollars in thousands except per share data)

	Quarter Ended		12 Months Ended	
	7/28/90	7/29/89	7/28/90	7/29/89
Net sales	$ 3,101	$ 3,619	$ 14,344	$ 23,397
Cost of sales	1,868	2,886	8,040	16,119
Marketing, Admin. and General	1,648	2,189	5,369	11,994
Amortization of Pathway cost in excess of net assets acquired	---	3,737	---	3,939
Research and development	629	622	2,616	4,025
Gain on sale of stock(i)	---	---	(539)	---
Interest income	(102)	(139)	(469)	(396)
Interest expense	18	26	25	91
Net loss	(960)	(5,702)	(698)	(12,375)
Net loss per share	(.08)	(.47)	(.06)	(1.09)
Number of shares used in computation	12,750,000	12,059,000	12,612,000	11,353,000

(i) Gain recorded by the company in connection with the sale of 110,000 shares of its total 750,000 share holding of VeriFone Inc. common stock.

ICOT CORP.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited)

(Dollars in thousands)

	July 28, 1990	July 29, 1989
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash	$ 4,625	$ 6,878
Accounts receivable, less allowance of $647 and $618	2,088	2,421
Inventories	1,858	1,411
Other assets	497	631
Total current assets	9,068	11,341
Equipment and leasehold improvements -- net	1,236	1,581
Investment in securities	6,400	7,500
Other assets, net of amortization of $1,144 and $4,739	908	1,313
Total assets	$17,612	$21,735
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	$ 3,361	$ 6,028
Employee compensation	538	811
Current maturities of capitalized lease obligations	87	55
Total current liabilities	3,986	6,894
Long-term Debt and Liabilities:		
Capitalized lease obligations, less current maturities	244	66
Obligations under lease commitments	605	1,300
Total long-term debt and liabilities	849	1,366
Stockholders' Equity	12,777	13,475
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$17,612	$21,735

CONTACT: Joe Becker of ICOT Corp., 408-433-3300

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The United Illuminating Company announces that it is offering to purchase any and all of its outstanding 12 percent debentures, 2017 series, due Aug. 1, 2017, at a fixed price of $1,050 per $1,000 principal amount plus accrued interest. The company recently sold a portion of its ownership interest in Unit 1 at Seabrook Station, a nuclear-fuel electricity generating plant located in Seabrook, N.H., and intends to use the sale proceeds to repurchase or redeem certain of its currently outstanding debentures and to repay short-term borrowings. The offer will expire at 5:00 p.m. New York time on Sept. 19 1990. Morgan Stanley & Co. is the dealer manager for the offer.

Questions about the offer should be directed to Michael F. Trezza of Morgan Stanley & Co. at 212-296-5333.

CONTACT: Robert A. Fort of the United Illuminating Company, 203-777-6191

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#90250p2595 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Genex Corporation (NASDAQ: GNEX), which last month was issued a landmark patent on single-chain antigen-binding (SCAtm) protein technology, described as a "marketing tactic," the request of Creative BioMolecules, a private biotechnology firm, for a declaration of interference by the U.S. Patent Office regarding this technology.

SCA proteins are novel bioengineered molecules that have the potential of replacing antibodies in medical diagnosis and therapy, notably cancer targeting and treatment. On Aug. 7, 1990, Genex was granted a landmark U.S. Patent, No. 4,946,778, titled "Single-Chain Polypeptide Binding Molecules," which protects the genes, vectors, hosts and manufacturing methods necessary for producing SCA proteins.

"We are not surprised, and even anticipated, that Creative BioMolecules would ask the Patent Office to consider declaring an interference with our SCA patent, since it directly threatens its narrow product base," said Reed Prior, Genex president and chief executive officer.

"The U.S. Patent Office was aware of Creative BioMolecules' competing patent application and its participation in this field. Nonetheless, a broad patent was awarded to Genex. Moreover, this remains a fully legally enforceable patent. In contrast, Creative BioMolecules has no patents in this area of technology."

So far, Genex has been issued four patents in the SCA protein area. Additional patents covering SCA proteins, their uses and other related technology are pending in the U.S. and foreign countries.

"SCA technology has enormous potential for the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other life-threatening diseases. We are aggressively pursuing our plans to build a new and exciting biopharmaceutical business for Genex based on our pioneering work in this technology," Prior said.

Scientists at the National Cancer Institute and Genex reported in the July 18 issue of the Journal of the National Cancer Institute the first successful in vivo targeting of tumors using a Genex SCA protein that had been transplanted into mice.

The study showed that for the delivery of imaging and therapeutic agents to cancer sites in the body, SCA proteins provide the binding capabilities of antibodies but overcome many of their drawbacks and are only one-sixth their size.

Genex Corporation utilizes its proprietary expertise in protein engineering to design and produce specialized pharmaceuticals, surgical bioadhesives and other high value-added health care products.

CONTACT: Diana Hopkins of Genex Corporation, 301-258-0552;
or Fred Hoar, 415-962-9550; or Linda Pendergast-Savage, 617-536-0470,
both of Miller Communications for Genex Corporation

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#90250p2596 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Wall Street Financial Corp. (WSFC) (NASDAQ: WSFC) is a financial service company that is helping independent banks to compete in an industry challenged by deregulation and consolidation. WSFC today announced that it has acquired an interest in Damian Asset Management and Investment Advisory Network Inc. (Damian) of Romeoville, Ill.

During the last 10 months, WSFC assisted Damian and its president, Brother Joel Damian, FSC, a member of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, in the development and implementation of a complete money management system for participating Catholic organizations such as schools, universities, hospitals and provincials/generalates.

It consists of the Ideal Plus Trust, The Ideal Plus Trust Income Fund, lock box services, custodian services, investment management services, zero balance checking accounts, Ideal Plus Trust MasterCards and Visa travelers checks. It also will include other WSF product solutions in the future.

WSFC acquired a 25 percent interest in Damian with preferred revenue sharing rights. Damian projects to manage, in addition to its present portfolio, in excess of $30 million within 24 months for more than 250 participating Catholic organizations.

Wall Street Financial Corp., a publicly held NASDAQ-traded Delaware corporation, provides its financial services to independent financial institutions through its Irvine-based, wholly owned subsidiary, Wall Street Financial Centers Inc. and its BFN Group Services Inc., a non-profit mutual benefit corporation.

CONTACT: Charles Yesson, managing director, or Reed B. Rohrer, VP/corporate counsel, both of Wall Street Financial Centers Inc.,

714-756-8100, or 714-756-0261 (fax)

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#90250p2597 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

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#90250p2600 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Steven Flynn has been appointed to the newly created position of vice president, national promotion and exhibitor relations, it was announced today by Christine La Monte, senior vice president, publicity and promotion.

Flynn, whose appointment is effective immediately, will be based at

Orion's (NYSE: OPC) New York headquarters, and will report directly to La Monte.

Prior to joining Orion, Flynn served as senior vice president, marketing and advertising, for United Artists Theaters Circuit, where he held various positions for the last 17 years, including advertising manager, director of marketing, and vice president of marketing and advertising, before being named senior vice president in 1987.

In his new position, Flynn will implement national promotion campaigns for Orion's feature releases in conjunction with major corporate sponsors, many of which will have local and regional application. Additional responsibilities for Flynn will include maintaining close relationships with exhibitors in the marketing area on a national level.

Flynn will start by exploring promotional opportunities on Orion comedies currently in production which include "Clifford," "Car 54, Where Are You?" and the upcoming "Addams Family" and "Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure II."

Commenting on the announcement, La Monte said, "We're thrilled to have someone with Steve's vast experience on board. He's a perfect addition to the expanding executive ranks of the new Orion Marketing team taking shape under David Forbes, president of marketing and distribution."

CONTACT: Christine La Monte, Sr. VP, Publicity and Promotion, of Orion Pictures Corp., 212-956-3800

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#90250p2611 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONGMONT, COLO. (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Discovery Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: DSCV) today announced that Michael Falkner has resigned as chairman of the board of directors and vice president in charge of engineering and product development of the company in order to pursue other interests.

Falkner will continue to serve as a consultant to the company through May 1991. "Discovery has been fortunate to have the benefit of Mike's services and insights since the company's formation in 1987 and we wish him well in his new endeavors," stated Ralph Patitucci, president of the company.

Discovery Technologies Inc. designs, manufactures and markets video products that transmit pictures over standard voice grade telephone lines. The company's current products consist of a high- definition, full-color microscope imaging system for both industrial and medical applications and diagnostic radiology image management and communication systems.

CONTACT: Ralph J. Patitucci, president, Discovery Technologies, Inc., 303-651-6500

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#90250p2617 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Express will inaugurate service between Rockland's Knox County Airport and Boston beginning Oct. 1. The regional airline will initiate service with four daily departures and continue through the winter season with two daily departures after Columbus Day. During the peak summer season, Continental Express plans up to seven daily departures to Boston.

Tom Barber, president of Continental Express' Eastern Region, said, "We look forward to serving the air travel needs of Rockland and its surrounding communities. Our extensive operation coupled with our ownership by Continental Airlines places us in an excellent position to provide an outstanding product to our customers."

Continental Express is offering introductory fares as low as $49 each way to cities including Boston, Buffalo, Hyannis, and New York/Newark; $79 each way to cities such as Atlanta, Cleveland, Ft. Lauderdale and Tampa; and $119 each way to Aspen, Dallas, Denver, Houston and Las Vegas. All introductory ticket prices are based on roundtrip purchase and carry some restrictions. The reduced fares must be purchased prior to Oct. 1, and all travel completed by Nov. 15.

Continental Express and Continental offer customers advanced seat selection, one-stop check in and baggage handling, and OnePass Frequent flyer mileage credit.

Systemwide, Continental Express operates to 95 cities, including four in Micronesia, has more than 820 daily departures, and is projected to board approximately 3.5 million customers during 1990. With an average fleet age of approximately two years, Continental Express utilizes more than 100 aircraft, and employs approximately 2,100 airline professionals. Continental Express maintains major hub operations in Houston, Newark, Denver and Cleveland, and smaller hub operations in Boston, La Guardia and Guam.

The following is Continental Express' schedule effective on Oct. 1. Reservations and further scheduling and fare information may be obtained from local travel agencies or by calling Continental toll free at 1-800-525-0280.

CONTACT: Peggy Mahoney of Continental Express, 713-853-0726

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#90250p2618 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Comerica Incorporated (OTC: CMCA) has entered the full-service banking market in Florida through the acquisition of Enterprise Federal Savings, F.A., of Clearwater, Fla.

Comerica has acquired the deposits and some of the assets of Enterprise Federal in a government-assisted transaction through the Resolution Trust Corporation.

Enterprise has deposits of approximately $40 million and operates one office at 2437 U.S. Highway 19 North in Clearwater. The institution will reopen as Comerica Bank-Florida, F.S.B., on Monday, Sept. 10, 1990.

The move complements Comerica's expansion of its trust business in Florida as part of its ongoing strategy to penetrate selected markets with strong growth characteristics.

Florida is a top growth market for the financial services industry, and Enterprise is located in a highly attractive neighborhood in the Clearwater market.

Comerica Trust Company of Florida, N.A., has over $1 billion of assets under management and offices in Boca Raton, Clearwater, Lake Worth, Naples and Sarasota. Comerica also operates a commercial lending office in Tampa that provides financing to Florida auto dealerships.

Comerica Incorporated is a $12.2 billion bank holding company headquartered in Detroit. The corporation operates full-service banks in Michigan and Texas and plans to establish full-service banking in California in early 1991.

CONTACT: David O. Taylor of Comerica, 313-222-3384

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#90250p2619 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

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"We are very excited about this opportunity to enter the full- service banking market in Florida," said Comerica Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Eugene A. Miller. "Now we'll be able to offer our existing trust customers and new customers Comerica's full range of financial products and services."

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#90250p2624 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power has expanded its service hours to better accommodate customers. DWP's customer telephone service (CTS) center is now operating 24-hours a day, seven days a week and turn-on service is being offered on Saturdays.

"The expanded service hours will prove to be very convenient for everyone, particularly for those customers who work and find it difficult to call for service during regular business hours," said Michael Gage, president of the City Board of Water and Power Commissioners.

A total of 210 people work in the CTS center, with representatives staffing the unit around-the-clock.

The expanded customer telephone service hours make it possible for DWP customers to call the DWP at any time of day or night to report power outages, discuss water or electric service, ask questions regarding billing, conservation or for other general information.

As an added convenience for customers, the DWP has also expanded its field service hours to include Saturdays. Field representatives will now be making service calls on Saturdays until 3 p.m.

For DWP customer service information call 213-481-5411 or 800-DIAL DWP.

CONTACT: Ed Freudenburg, Dorothy Jensen, or Mindy Berman, all of the DWP, 213-481-4523, or after 4:45 or on weekends and holidays, 213-481-4040

-30- 1552

#90250p2626 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES MOINES, IA (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - First Interstate Bank of Greenfield announced today the purchase of certain assets and all deposits of the Greenfield branch of FirstCentral Federal Savings Bank from the Resolution Trust Corp. The transaction is effective immediately and the Greenfield branch will begin operation as a temporary office of First Interstate Bank of Greenfield on Saturday, Sept. 8, 1990.

Martin Dietrich, president of First Interstate Bank of Greenfield said in an announcement, "We are extremely pleased to expand First Interstate's commitment in Greenfield. The acquisition of the Greenfield office of FirstCentral enhances our ability to serve existing customers and provides us with an exciting opportunity to serve new customers. In addition, this transaction will strengthen the First Interstate presence throughout Adair County."

First Interstate of Iowa Inc. (NASDAQ: FIIA) owns controlling interest in banks, a computer service company and an insurance agency. The banks operate 33 locations in numerous Iowa cities including Algona, Cresco, Des Moines, Estherville, Fort Dodge, Greenfield, Kalona, Marengo, Mason City, Sigourney, Sioux City, Spencer and Urbandale.

CONTACT: Howard Harris of First Interstate of Iowa Inc., 515-245-7134

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#90250p2628 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - MorningStar Foods Inc. and Southern Foods Group Inc., both of Dallas, today jointly announced that Southern Foods has completed the acquisition of MorningStar's Oak Farms and Cabell's operations effective Sept. 1, 1990. MorningStar previously announced that it had entered into an agreement to sell these operations as a part of its restructuring strategy to emphasize its specialty dairy operations. MorningStar officials stated that the net proceeds of the transaction would be used to repay debt owing to its senior bank lending group.

Southern Foods Group operates dairy companies in Texas and Louisiana under the Schepp's, Foremost and Sealtest trade names. MorningStar Foods is a nationwide dairy processor that manufactures and distributes products under several regional trade names.

CONTACT: Tracy L. Noll of MorningStar Foods Inc., 214-360-4730

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#90250p2633 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Allegheny International Inc. (AI) (NYSE: AG) announced today that a revised stipulation agreement has been entered into among AI, Japonica Partners and AI's banks and the committees representing AI's unsecured creditors, equity holders and creditors of Sunbeam and other of AI's subsidiaries to take AI and its subsidiaries out of bankruptcy. An earlier stipulation agreement expired when the Debtor's Plan was not consummated on Aug. 15, 1990.

The revised stipulation, approved unanimously by AI's board of directors today, provides, among other things, that AI's plan of reorganization, confirmed on July 12, 1990, would be modified to provide creditors of AI (other than Japonica) entitled to receive common stock under the plan the right, beginning 45 days after consummation of AI's Plan, to elect to receive in lieu of stock, $7.00 cash per share and for those creditors receiving warrants, the right to elect, in that time frame, to receive in lieu of warrants, $1.53 cash per warrant.

Current shareholders who would be entitled to receive warrants would be entitled to elect in the same time frame to receive in lieu of warrants approximately $1.382 cash per existing preference share ($2.19 Cumulative Preference Stock of AI), approximately $2.518 cash per preferred share ($11.25 Convertible Preferred Stock of AI) and approximately 16.4 cents cash per common share (AI Common Stock). Holders of AI Secured Bank Claims (other than Japonica) would be entitled to receive on the consummation of the AI Plan an aggregate cash amount of $126,921,712 or the equivalent of $6.592 per share plus interest at the Federal Funds Rate from Sept. 1, 1990, to the consummation date.

The revisions to the Plan are subject to, among other things, court approval at a hearing scheduled for Sept. 13, 1990, and financing. The plan is required to be consummated no later than Sept. 28, 1990. At that time, five of Japonica's designees will be appointed to the AI Board together with two designees of the Unsecured Creditors' Committee of AI who will replace the current board.

CONTACT: Edward M. Romanoff of Allegheny International, 412-562-4131

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#90250p2634 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
VANCOUVER, British Columbia (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Granges Inc. (AMEX, Toronto, Montreal: GXL) announced that agreement has just been reached with CSA Management Ltd. and Goldcorp Investments Ltd. to settle the action commenced by Abermin Corp. against Granges and others in relation to the Tartan mine. The action was assigned to CSA/Goldcorp, Abermin's major creditors, following the bankruptcy of Abermin in March, 1990.

Settlement terms include the dismissal and release of all claims against all parties to the action and the payment by Granges of $5.5 million to CSA/Goldcorp. Granges in turn will receive a conveyance of Abermin's participating interest in the Tartan mine, including 20 mineral claims and the associated mine infrastructure and equipment, and in 17 related joint venture mineral claims.

The $5.5 million payment by Granges will come out of funds in the amount of $20.5 million, comprised of approximately $17.6 million principal and nearly $3 million interest, which have been subject to a garnishment order in the lawsuit. The remainder of the funds will be returned to Granges on completion of the settlement.

Completion of the settlement requires delivery of formal settlement documentation and is scheduled for Sept. 14, 1990.

Colin Kaiser, president and chief executive officer of Granges, expressed his satisfaction with the terms of settlement, explaining that Granges could now proceed to examine the feasibility of various options relating to the Tartan mine at which operations were suspended in the fall of 1989. He also noted that the release of the garnisheed funds would allow the company to pursue other investment opportunities, and said ''Granges can now dedicate itself full-time to the business of mining.''

CONTACT: Janis D. Busse, general counsel and corporate secretary, Granges Inc., 604-687-2831

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#90250p2635 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
FORT WORTH, Texas (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Tandy Corp. (NYSE: TAN) and its wholly owned subsidiary GRiD Systems Corp. announced today that they have filed a complaint in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California in San Francisco against Texas Instruments Inc. (NYSE: TXI) (Case No. C 90 2571 DLJ).

The Tandy/GRiD complaint alleges that Texas Instruments has violated the United States antitrust laws by forcing system manufacturers, such as Tandy and GRiD, to make excessive license payments for invalid and/or

illegally packaged patents.

Tandy and GRiD are seeking among other things, trebled monetary damages, injunctive relief enjoining TI from further violation of the antitrust laws, and declaratory relief stating that certain TI patents are invalid.

CONTACT: Lowell C. Duncan, VP-Marketing of Tandy Corp., 817-390-3937

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#90250p2636 09/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, Texas (SEPT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Tandy Corp. board of directors has declared the regular quarterly dividend of $.15 per share. The dividend is payable to stockholders of record as of Oct. 1, 1990, with payment scheduled for Oct. 23, 1990.

CONTACT: Philip M. Bradtmiller of Tandy Corp., 817-390-3730

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#90250t1165 09/07/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT. 7) TASS - SOVIET COSMONAUTS GENNADY MANAKOV AND GENNADY STREKALOV, ON A SPACE FLIGHT ABOARD THE MIR STATION, HAVE BEEN CONDUCTING TECHNOLOGICAL AND TECHNICAL EXPERIMENTS AND ASTROPHYSICAL AND GEOPHYSICAL STUDIES FOR THE PAST FEW DAYS.

THEY ALSO CARRIED OUT REGULAR WORK TO REPLACE CELLS IN ONBOARD EQUIPMENT WITH NEW ONES, DELIVERED BY THE UNMANNED CARGO CRAFT PROGRESS M-4.

PREPARING FOR A SMELTING EXPERIMENT ON THE GALLAR INSTALLATION, MANAKOV AND STREKALOV MEASURED TEMPERATURE PATTERNS IN ITS ELECTRIC FURNACE TO DETERMINE OPTIMAL MODES FOR MANUFACTURING HIGH-QUALITY SEMICONDUCTORS IN ZERO GRAVITY.

TODAY THE CREW PLANS TO CONDUCT A SERIES OF EXPERIMENTS TO STUDY THE EFFECT OF OPEN SPACE FACTORS ON SAMPLES OF VARIOUS STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TO DO PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE WORK ON SOME OF THE STATION'S SYSTEMS.

IN THE EVENING, THE COSMONAUTS PLAN ANOTHER CORRECTION OF MIR'S ORBIT, USING THE ENGINES OF THE CARGO CRAFT.

THE FLIGHT IS PROCEEDING ON SCHEDULE.

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#90250t1173 09/07/1990 ~ts

DUSHANBE (SEPT. 7) TASS - DESIGNERS IN THE SOVIET CENTRAL ASIAN REPUBLIC OF TADZHIKISTAN HAVE BEGUN DEVELOPING A LIGHT FOUR-SEAT AIRCRAFT FOR BOTH

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE USE.

THE SINGLE-ENGINE YULIYA, CHIEF DESIGNER ANDREI KHRISTOFOROV TOLD TASS, WILL HAVE ABOUT THE SAME PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS AS SIMILAR FOREIGN-MADE AIRCRAFT: A SPEED OF BETWEEN 200 AND 250 KILOMETERS PER HOUR, A RANGE OF 1,000 KILOMETERS AND A WEIGHT OF 850 KILOGRAMS.

HE SAID THE PLANE, TADZHIKISTAN'S FIRST, WAS EXPECTED TO BE READY WITHIN THE NEXT TWO YEARS.

THE AIRCRAFT-BUILDING INDUSTRY WAS LAUNCHED IN THIS REPUBLIC EARLIER THIS YEAR WHEN THE MOSCOW-BASED MIKOYAN ORGANISATION, THE DEVELOPER OF FAMOUS MIG FIGHTERS AND OTHER SUPERSONIC JETS, ESTABLISHED A SUBSIDIARY IN TADZHIK CAPITAL DUSHANBE.

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#90250t1182 09/07/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT 7) TASS - A PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LIBYAN LEADERSHIP JUMAA FARJANI, IS IN MOSCOW TO DETAIL LIBYAN LEADER MUAMMAR QADDAFI'S PEACE INITIATIVE FOR A FAIR SOLUTION TO THE GULF CRISIS, OFFICIALS AT THE LIBYAN EMBASSY IN MOSCOW TOLD TASS.

COLONEL QADDAFI'S SEPTEMBER 1 INITIATIVE WAS TIMED FOR THE 21ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE LIBYAN REVOLUTION.

THE EMBASSY OFFICIALS SAID FARJANI ARRIVED HERE ON THURSDAY FROM BEIJING AND HIS VISIT IS "PART OF THE LIBYAN LEADERSHIP'S EFFORTS TOWARDS A PEACE SETTLEMENT" IN THE GULF.

AS BECAME KNOWN TO A TASS DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT, FARDJANI MET SOVIET OFFICIALS TODAY.

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#90250t1189 09/07/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT. 7) TASS - SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR HELMUT KOHL TALKED ON THE PHONE TODAY, AS PART OF THEIR REGULAR EXCHANGE OF OPINIONS, ON THE PREPARATION OF JOINT DOCUMENTS RELATED TO GERMAN REUNIFICATION, IT WAS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED HERE.

THEY ALSO DISCUSSED PRESSING INTERNATIONAL ISSUES.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 7) TASS -

AN ECONOMIC DELEGATION FROM THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION ARRIVED IN SEOUL TODAY AT THE INVITATION OF THE LEADERSHIP OF MAJOR SOUTH KOREAN INDUSTRIAL GROUP HENDE TO DISCUSS WAYS TO BOOST BILATERAL COOPERATION.

DURING THE VISIT, WHICH WILL LAST UNTIL SEPTEMBER 14, THE DELEGATION IS EXPECTED TO VISIT MAJOR INDUSTRIAL CENTRES IN SOUTH KOREA TO SPECIFY OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEVELOPING MUTUALLY ADVANTAGEOUS COOPERATION AND EXPANDING ECONOMIC EXCHANGES.

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#90250t1193 09/07/1990 ~ts

TALLINN (SEPT 7) TASS - INDEPENDENT ESTONIA WILL NEED ITS OWN ARMED FORCES TO ENSURE ITS NEUTRALITY, THE COMMITTEE OF ESTONIA DECIDED AT ITS LATEST REGULAR SESSION. THE COMMITTEE IS A STANDING BODY OF THE CONGRESS OF ESTONIA'S CITIZENS, A PUBLIC MOVEMENT FAVOURING THE RESTORATION OF AN ESTONIAN REPUBLIC ON THE BASIS OF ITS 1938 CONSTITUTION.

ACCORDING TO THE COMMITTEE, THE REPUBLIC WILL NEED TWO DIVISIONS NUMBERING NO MORE THAN 16,000 MEN. THE COMMITTEE REGARDS IT ADVISABLE TO PLACE U.S. ARMY OFFICERS WITH ESTONIAN BACKGROUND IN COMMAND OF THE TO-BE-CREATED ARMED FORCES.

AS AN ARMY IS EXPECTED TO BE SUBORDINATE TO ITS FOUNDERS, PRACTICAL STEPS WILL HAVE TO BE TAKEN AFTER ELECTIONS TO THE STATE ASSEMBLY OF THE ESTONIAN REPUBLIC.

PREPARATIONS PLANNED FOR THE MOVE INCLUDE RESUMING THE ACTIVITY OF THE KAITSELIYT (DEFENCE UNION) VOLUNTEER ARMED ORGANISATION, WHICH WAS FIRST ESTABLISHED IN 1918 TO REACH THE PEAK OF ITS ACTIVITY DURING THE YEARS OF THE BOURGEOIS REPUBLIC.

THE KAITSELIYT NOW NUMBERS MORE THAN 4,000 MEN, HAS A GENERAL HEADQUARTERS A RAMIFIED STRUCTURE IN LOCALITIES AND A WELL- ESTABLISHED SYSTEM OF OPERATIONAL AND LOGISTIC TRAINING.

THE MILITARY COMMAND AND STAFF EXERCISES OF THIS ORGANISATION ON SEPTEMBER 1 AND 2 RESULTED IN ATTEMPTS TO SET BORDER SIGNS ALONG THE PRE-WAR ESTONIAN BORDER, WHICH NOW RUNS ACROSS RUSSIAN TERRITORY.

THE ESTONIAN GOVERNMENT DENIED ANY INVOLVEMENT IN THIS ACTION.

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MOSCOW (SEPT 7) TASS - A MAN SUSPECTED OF HAVING COMMITTED A SERIES OF RAPES AND BRUTAL MURDERS THAT HAVE KEPT WOMEN IN MOSCOW IN TERROR FOR THE PAST TWO MONTHS WAS ARRESTED DURING ANOTHER RAPIST ATTACK, THE SOVIET

CAPITAL'S VECHERNYAYA MOSKVA EVENING NEWSPAPER REPORTS TODAY.

HE IS BELIEVED TO BE THE SEXUAL MANIAC THAT STALKED EIGHT WOMEN IN THE CITY'S NORTHERN NEIGHBOURHOODS BETWEEN JULY 13 AND AUGUST 19, LEAVING FOUR OF THEM DEAD.

ANALYSING THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF EACH RAPIST ATTACK AND MURDER, THE MOSCOW POLICE ESTABLISHED THAT THE SAME MAN HAD STRUCK IN EACH CASE. A SPECIAL TASK FORCE WAS SET UP TO TRACK DOWN THE CRIMINAL.

THE CITY'S DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF MAJOR-GENERAL BUGAYEV WOULD NOT IDENTIFY THE ARRESTED SUSPECT BY NAME IN HIS INTERVIEW WITH VECHERNYAYA MOSKVA AND SAID ONLY THAT THE MAN HAD A LONG CRIMINAL RECORD.

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CAIRO (SEPT. 7) TASS - THE KING OF SAUDI ARABIA HAS STATED THAT HIS COUNTRY AGREES TO TAKE UPON ITSELF PART OF THE EXPENDITURES ON THE UPKEEP OF U.S. TROOPS IN THE GULF AREA, U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER HAS REPORTED. HE ANSWERED QUESTIONS OF JOURNALISTS AFTER THE END OF TALKS IN SAUDI ARABIA WITH KING FAHD, FOREIGN MINISTER PRINCE SAUD AL-FAISAL AND DEFENSE AND AVIATION MINISTER PRINCE SULTAN IBN ABDUL AZIZ.

BAKER POINTED OUT THAT THE DECISION OF THE SAUDI LEADERSHIP WAS HIGHLY APPRECIATED BY THE UNITED STATES WHICH REGARDS IT AS EVIDENCE OF EXCELLENT RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. HE DID NOT MENTION THE EXACT SUM THAT SAUDI ARABIA AGREED TO COMPENSATE.

BAKER SAID THAT ONLY A CORRESPONDING U.N. COMMISSION HAS THE RIGHT TO DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT TO RENDER HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO THE IRAQI PEOPLE IN AN EXCEPTIONAL CASE. THE ASSISTANCE SHOULD BE RENDERED IN THE FORM CHOSEN BY THE COMMISSION, HE ADDED. ALL OTHER ACTIONS AIMED AT RENDERING SO-CALLED "HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE" ARE REGARDED AS THE VIOLATION OF THE ECONOMIC BLOCKADE AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL. BAKER REITERATED U.S. ALLEGIANCE TO U.N. RESOLUTIONS AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT ALL COUNTRIES WOULD SHOW A RESPONSIBLE ATTITUDE TO IT, EVEN IF IT IS A HEAVY BURDEN TO THEM.

HE DESCRIBED TALKS IN JIDDAH AS USEFL AND FRUITFUL.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								

Boston	76	60	.559	-	42-24	34-36	7-3	L-3
Toronto	71	66	.518	5 1/2	34-34	36-32	5-5	W-1
Detroit	66	72	.478	11	34-37	32-35	6-4	L-2
Milwaukee	64	72	.471	12	32-37	32-35	7-3	W-1
Cleveland	61	76	.445	15 1/2	33-36	28-40	1-9	W-1
Baltimore	60	75	.444	15 1/2	29-36	31-39	1-9	L-6
New York	57	79	.419	19	31-34	26-45	4-6	L-1
West								
Oakland	86	50	.632	-	44-24	42-26	7-3	W-4
Chicago	79	56	.585	6 1/2	41-29	38-27	6-4	W-3
Texas	70	67	.511	16 1/2	40-29	30-38	4-6	W-2
California	69	68	.504	17 1/2	36-32	33-36	7-3	W-1
Seattle	68	69	.496	18 1/2	36-36	32-33	6-4	W-3
Kansas City	66	71	.481	20 1/2	40-29	26-42	2-8	L-4
Minnesota	63	75	.456	24	33-36	30-39	6-4	L-1

-30- 1118

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (SEPT. 7) UPI - Engineers will work through the weekend to replace suspect fuel pumps aboard the grounded shuttle Columbia in a last-ditch bid to fix yet another crippling leak in time for a fourth launch try around Sept. 17.

But with the flight already running more than three months behind schedule because of fuel leaks and payload problems, NASA managers said Thursday a flight next month by the shuttle Discovery now has priority and that if Columbia does not get off the ground soon, the mission will be delayed to later in the year.

''This has been a troublesome and vexing summer for me and NASA,'' NASA Administrator Richard Truly said of the agency's repeated leaks. ''But ... running the space program is not an ordinary business. We push the boundaries of human activity in flying in space, and it's a hard job.''

In the meantime, technicians are continuing to make preparations to launch Discovery around Oct. 5 to carry the European-built Ulysses solar probe into space, a high-priority international mission that will be delayed 13 months if it is not off the ground by Oct. 23.

Given an internal NASA rule requiring three weeks between shuttle flights, the space agency will be hard pressed to get Columbia off the ground in time to launch Discovery near the beginning of its 18-day launch period.

Columbia and its seven-man crew originally were scheduled for launch May 30, but the flight was put on hold by a leak in the ship's 17-inch-wide hydrogen disconnect fitting, which allows the shuttle external tank to be

jettisoned in space.

A second countdown was stopped Sept. 30 because of problems with an on-board telescope and another fuel leak Wednesday just eight hours before the ship's planned liftoff Thursday derailed the flight a third time in as many months.

Engineers now believe Columbia actually was suffering from two different leaks in May and that only one was fixed, the one involving the 17-inch disconnect fitting. A similar leak grounded the shuttle Atlantis in July.

Data indicates the leak that grounded Columbia Wednesday involved hydrogen recirculation pumps in the shuttle's engine compartment, a leak that in all likelihood was present in May as well.

In any case, the concentration of hydrogen measured in the engine room Wednesday peaked at about 6,000 parts per million, or 0.6 percent - 10 times higher than allowed by NASA's launch safety guidelines.

Truly said engineers were virtually unanimous in blaming a package of three hydrogen recirculation pumps in the engine compartment - good news, in a sense, because the pumps can be replaced in time for a launch attempt around Sept. 17.

''That will give us an opportunity to get the Astro mission off before Ulysses,'' Truly said.

To put Ulysses on the right course to the sun, Discovery must be launched by Oct. 23 or the probe will be grounded for 13 months.

Given the relatively short 18-day launch period, or ''window,'' NASA managers want Discovery to be ready to go as close to Oct. 5 as possible in case problems cause delays at the launch pad.

Discovery, meanwhile, is suffering from a slow leak in a critical cooling system, although engineers Friday were discussing the possibility of simply topping off the shuttle's Freon supplies and launching it ''as is.''

Given the requirement to make sure the cooling system will work properly in flight, Discovery's launching likely will be delayed a few days beyond Oct. 5.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - Panamanian President Guillermo Endara has asked for the resignation of the Panama City mayor. Endara is upset with an article that Guillermo Cochez published in the daily newspaper El Panama America...

comparing the government to the former military regime. Cochez met with Endara late Thursday. He delivered a letter saying he was NOT resigning- in his words- ''precisely because we are NOT in the presence of an autocratic, Noriega--type government.''

Wrong-way winds today delayed the first test of a new type of helium balloon backers hope will carry a Soviet, Briton and an American on a historic trip around the world. The balloonists will try tomorrow to fly from Tillamook, Oregon, to the Rocky Mountains... if the winds co-operate. Their revolutionary system employs balloons both above and below the gondola.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Anderson ss	1	0	1	0	Sax 2b	5	0	2	1
Howell ss	4	1	1	1	Tolleson ph	1	0	0	0
Ray 2b	5	2	2	3	Leyritz lf	1	0	0	0
White cf	6	1	3	1	Azocar lf	4	0	0	0
Winfield rf	5	1	2	2	Kelly cf	4	1	1	0
Polonia pr	1	1	1	1	Barfield rf	4	2	1	0
Venable lf	0	0	0	0	Balboni 1b	4	1	1	1
Downing dh	5	1	1	1	Maas 1b	1	0	0	0
Bichette lf	5	2	4	2	Cerone dh	4	1	0	0
Parrish c	4	1	0	0	Velarde 3b	4	0	2	2
Schroeder 1b	2	0	0	0	Geren c	5	1	1	1
Stevens 1b	3	0	0	0	Espinoza ss	5	0	2	0
Schu 3b	4	2	2	1					
Totals	45	12	17	12	Totals	42	6	10	5

California	410 000 001	06- 12
New York	000 410 100	00- 6

E-Howell, Velarde. DP-New York 1. LOB-California 5, New York 7. 2B-Schu, Howell, Velarde, Bichette. 3B-Winfield. HR-Balboni (14), Bichette (15). SB-Sax 2 (36), Bichette (5). S-Howell. SF-Downing, Velarde.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Langston	3 2-3	6	4	4	1	4
Eichhorn	2 1-3	2	1	0	0	0
Minton	2	2	1	1	1	0

Fraser	1	0	0	0	0	0
McClure (W 1-0)	1	0	0	0	0	1
Harvey	1	0	0	0	0	0

New York

Cary	1 2-3	7	5	5	1	1
Plunk	7	3	1	1	0	8
Guetterman (L 9-5)	2	5	6	6	2	2
Robinson	1-3	2	0	0	0	0

WP-Langston, Cary. HBP-By Langston (Barfield).

Umpires-Home, Coble; 1b, Evans; 3b, Welke.

T-4:21. A-18,707.

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TORONTO (SEPT. 7) UPI - In a startling and decisive upset, the socialist New Democratic Party Thursday toppled Ontario's five-year-old Liberal government, marking the first time the left-wing NDP has held power in Canada's richest province.

Unofficial results Thursday showed the NDP, which held only 18 of 130 seats in Ontario's Legislature when the election was called July 30, held or was leading in 77 seats hours after voting booths closed at 9 p.m.

Although the party won a majority of seats, it won only 37 percent of the total votes cast in the election. The Liberals took 32 percent of the vote the Progressive Conservatives 23 percent and fringe candidates 7 percent.

Pre-election polls indicated the NDP would form a minority government in which they would not win a clear majority of seats but would win more seats than any other party.

The Liberal government, which held 93 seats going into the campaign, was chopped down to 34 seats in the unofficial results. Premier David Peterson lost the London Centre seat he held for 15 years, and a number of his Cabinet ministers lost their seats as well.

Unofficial results showed the Progressive Conservatives, who ruled Ontario for 42 years before Peterson took power in 1985, had increased their seats to 19 from 17. There were two vacant Legislature seats going into the campaign.

The Progressive Conservatives ran third due largely to a disorganized party structure and a new, unknown leader in Mike Harris who is viewed as

a clone of the highly unpopular Progressive Conservative prime minister of Canada, Brian Mulroney.

As giddy supporters in his York South riding chanted ''Premier ''

''Ours is not exactly a party that's accustomed to winning elections in Ontario,'' Rae said.

Rae said that following the day's ''remarkable turn of events'' the party must ''continue to earn the trust'' of all Ontarians, including the business community, which has long been a foe of the NDP.

''I think the business community is sophisticated enough to know our party has worked with business in other provinces,'' Rae said.

Rae thanked the dethroned Peterson and Progressive Conservative leader Mike Harris for the campaigns they waged. In the campaign's dying days, Peterson t tried to prey on some voters' concern about a left-wing NDP government.

Peterson, flanked by his wife Shelley, told supporters in his district that serving them was the highlight of his political career.

Characteristically polite, Peterson said he was resigning as leader of the Liberal party and congratulated Rae and Harris for the campaigns they waged.

''There is no disgrace in getting knocked down, there is only disgrace in not getting up,'' said Peterson, a former amateur boxer.

The Liberals seemed headed for a huge win when Peterson called the election July 30, but into the voting Thursday they trailed the left- wing NDP in the polls.

Voter disgust with an election being called years before Peterson was legally required to do so, growing skepticism about the government's integrity and anger over tax increases and policies like no-fault car insurance worked against Peterson and the Liberals.

Some pundits said the public was disillusioned with Liberals and the Progressive Conservatives and government generally and wanted to give the untried NDP a chance to govern.

The pundits also said that for decades, the Liberals and PCs have stolen policies from the NDP and that voters wanted to give the NDP a chance.

The NDP surge in the polls last week turned the normally upbeat, soothing

sounding Peterson into a shrill doomsayer who warned that NDP policies would wreak havoc on the economy of Canada's most prosperous province.

NDP leader Bob Rae countered that the ''politics of fear'' wouldn't work in Ontario.

''We intend to build confidence in the economy ... and we intend to do whatever we can to build an economy stronger than the one we have right now,'' Rae said.

Political scientists and Canadian businessmen say Americans shouldn't fear an NDP government.

''Ontario is going to be a good or bad place for Americans no matter who is in power,'' said Gord White, a political science professor at the University of Toronto.

Although the NDP advocates closing corporate tax loopholes, scrapping the Canada-U.S. free trade deal and raising the minimum wage, ''It's going to be hard for them to make sweeping changes,'' White said.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 7) UPI - Sinead O'Connor's ''Nothing Compares 2 U'' was named the best music video of the year, and the Irish singer was the only triple winner at the 7th annual MTV Video Music Awards Thursday night.

O'Connor, with her trademark close-cropped hair and wearing a billowy white dress and black boots, also accepted awards for best female video and the somewhat nebulous category of best post-modern music video.

The soft-spoken O'Connor appeared surprised at all three awards. On accepting her first award, she gave only a clipped, ''I don't really know what to say, because nothing like this has ever happened to me before. Peace, and thank you.''

She said nothing after accepting her second award, but in the excitment of winning the top honor of the evening, she took a moment to address the censorship controversy that has bedeviled the music industry in recent months.

''Censorship in any form is bad, but when it's racism disguised as censorship, it's even worse,'' she said in an apparent reference to the black rap group 2 Live Crew's ''Nasty as They Wanna Be'' being banned in Florida.

The only other multiple winners were Janet Jackson, who with Anthony

Thomas won for best choreography for ''Rhythm Nation'' and a special Video Vanguard Award, and M.C. Hammer, who won for best rap and dance videos for ''U Can't Touch This.''

Don Henley's ''The End of the Innocence'' was named best male video; the B 52s were named best group for ''Love Shack,'' and Michael Penn was named best new artist for ''No Myth.''

Veteran rocker Billy Idol won for best video from a film for ''Cradle of Love'' from the Andrew Dice Clay movie ''Ford Fairlane.''

Tears For Fears' ''Sowing the Seeds of Love'' was named breakthrough video even though singer Curt Smith acknowledged that both the song and the visual techniques harken back to the late 1960s and the Beatles.

Host Arsenio Hall promised the audience even more shocking events than Dice Clay's off-color nursery rhyme ''Hickory, Dickory, Dock'' last year that resulted in his being banned for life from MTV, and Madonna's sexual gestures that shocked many.

Madonna delivered on Hall's promise by singing her heavily nominated video ''Vogue'' in a Louis XIV set and costume, surrounded by male courtiers who fondled her breasts through her voluminous dress.

But Madonna's ''Vogue,'' nominated for five awards, won only in categories for which she herself was not nominated: best direction by David Fincher, best editing and best cinematography.

Backstage, Idol was asked if it wasn't ironic that he won for his role in a Dice Clay number and responded with a wry grin, ''Hickory, Dickory, Dock.''

Luther Campbell of 2 Live Crew addressed the censorship issue backstage.

''It's a damn shame it's happening here in America,'' he said. ''We have sense ... we all have kids here, so we produce a clean one for the kids and an adult one for the adults.''

The three-hour program was broadcast live from the Universal Amphitheater on MTV and to 100 nations around the world.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney disclosed that the United States now has ''over 100,000 U.S. military personnel'' in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf region as part of Operation Desert Shield.

Thursday's disclosure was the first time that Cheney or any Bush administration official has publicly stated the number of U.S. troops sent to the Middle East since the military operation began one month ago.

Speaking to a meeting of the International Institute for Strategic Studies in Hot Springs, Va., Cheney said, ''In about a month now we've deployed over 100,000 U.S. military personnel and their equipment to Saudi Arabia and the surrounding states, the Persian Gulf and the Red Sea.''

Cheney's remarks, which were broadcast to the Pentagon, came as he praised the U.S. ability to dispatch large numbers of troops quickly to a potential area of conflict.

Pentagon officials who have asked not to be identified said there are about 70,000 U.S. ground forces in Saudi Arabia, and that about 150,000 total are expected to be in place by the first week of October.

Cheney, with his references to the Persian Gulf and the Red Sea, included naval forces in his number. The United States has more than 50 warships in the region, including three aircraft carriers with a crew of 5,000 each.

Cheney said the military buildup in Saudi Arabia would continue and he defended the deployment of the large number of U.S. troops to the deserts and seas of the Middle East.

''The worst sin of all would be for us to deploy forces out there that could get into trouble but not strong enough to deal with any eventuality that may arise,'' he said.

In response to a question, Cheney said President Bush gave the military a threefold mission: to deter an Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia; to defend the oil-rich sheikdom should deterrence fail; and to enforce the U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq.

''We've not been given an offensive assignment (to attack Iraq),'' he added.

He also defended the efforts by the Bush administration to seek help, financially or militarily, from its allies and friends around the world for Operation Desert Shield.

''It is appropriate for us to remind our friends around the world ... that in fact, there's no free lunch here,'' Cheney said, adding that some nations need to be told to ''step up to the counter and contribute more than some of them have indicated they'd be prepared to contribute.''

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - There's NO indication whether Friday's planned evacuation by a U-S- chartered Iraqi jetliner of some of the Americans trapped in Kuwait will be the first of many. In the agreement struck by the U-S Embassy in Baghdad, the State Department says the plane is to pick up U-S citizens in Kuwait... then return to Baghdad for the issuance of exit permits at planeside. U-S officials say the jet will then fly to Amman, Jordan.

Maryland officials say Baltimore-Washington International Airport has been picked tentatively to receive American citizens... if hostages and families are released from Kuwait Friday. The state's Emergency Management Agency and Department of Human Resources are working together to co-ordinate plans.

Administration officials say President Bush will be on hand to open the latest budget summit with Congress... scheduled to begin Friday at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington. Democratic leaders had said they hoped to have reached a consensus on a formula for reducing the federal deficit. At a news conference Thursday afternoon, they admitted they had NOT.

Severe thunderstorms brought high winds and power outages to parts of the Lower Peninsula of Michigan late Thursday. Meteorologists say a funnel cloud was reported in the Detroit area, but it did NOT touch down. Nearly 90-thousand homes and businesses were left in the dark. One police dispatcher in Macomb County said there was a report of a tree going through a house.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - South African state-run television says President Frederik de Klerk may soon travel to the United States and the Netherlands. De Klerk canceled a visit to Washington in June to avoid confrontation with anti- apartheid activists. The Dutch foreign minister said Wednesday that de Klerk would probably visit the Netherlands in October- an announcement that coincided with the arrival in South Africa of a first-ever Dutch parliamentary delegation.

The Chilean army found itself apologizing Thursday for a speech the night before by army chief General Augusto Pinochet. During a Rotary Club dinner in Santiago, Pinochet called the West German army ''decadant'' because it allowed ''drug addicts, long hairs, homosexuals and union members'' into its ranks. Officials in Chile say the remarks were the result of ''improvisation''... adding the Chilean army feels ''affection, admiration and respect'' for the German army.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - The New York Mets could comfort themselves with the 26 games they have left. Then again, everything about the word ''left'' might bother them.

For the fourth time in three nights, the Mets lost a game started by an opposing lefty. Rookie Randy Tomlin pitched a three-hitter and Bobby Bonilla produced his 100th and 101st RBI Thursday night, helping the Pittsburgh Pirates complete a three-game series sweep with a 7-1 rout.

''I think we're going to see more lefties against everybody,'' New York Manager Bud Harrelson said. ''We have to score runs. We've only scored two runs in four games, and you can't win too many games that way.

It was the first time the Pirates swept a three-game series from the Mets at home since September, 1978. The victory boosted the Pirates' lead over the Mets to 3 1-2 games in the National League East. The teams play each other five more times, twice next week in New York and three in Pittsburgh to close the season.

''We go into a shell when a left-hander throws,'' said New York's Howard Johnson. ''It's like that with most clubs, especially clubs that have a lot of switch-hitters.

''We lost three. It's not over and we go on to Philadelphia and play our game there. We're not going to let this affect us in any way. I really believe we're going to win this thing.''

Tomlin, 2-2, retired the first 11 batters before Tom Herr reached on an error by shortstop Jay Bell in the fourth. He struck out six and walked none. Julio Valera, 1-1, took the loss in only his second major- league appearance.

''I know I can throw strikes,'' said Tomlin, who completed his second game since being recalled from Harrisburg of the Class Double-A Eastern League last month. ''I'm confident I can do it. ''I knew if I ''new if I

In other National League games, Chicago downed Philadelphia 5-2, San Francisco defeated Cincinnati 6-2, St. Louis beat Montreal 4-2, San Diego blanked Houston 3-0 in 10 innings and Los Angeles shutout Atlanta 5-0.

In the AL, it was: Cleveland 6, Detroit 0 in a rain-shortened five- inning contest, California 12, New York 6 in 11 innings and Texas 12, Kansas City 1.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Cubs 5, Phillies 2

At Philadelphia, Mark Grace and Jerome Walton knocked in two runs apiece, leading Chicago. Jose Nunez, 2-6, broke a personal six-game losing streak as he beat the Phillies for the second time this season. Mitch Williams worked 2 1-3 innings for his 14th save. Jason Grimsley, 1-1, took the loss.

Giants 6, Reds 2

At San Francisco, Matt Williams keyed a three-run first inning with a two-run double and also threw out a runner at the plate, helping the Giants preserve their longshot title hopes. Any combination of Cincinnati wins or San Francisco losses totalling 18 would eliminate last year's NL champs.

Cardinals 4, Expos 2

At St. Louis, Ray Lankford and Felix Jose belted solo home runs, leading the Cardinals in a game played in 100-degree heat. Ken Dayley, 4-2, pitched three scoreless relief innings for the victory. John Tudor, after 125 career starts for St. Louis, relieved for the first time with the Cardinals.

Padres 3, Astros 0, 10 innings

At San Diego, Bip Roberts belted a three-run homer with two outs in the 10th inning to lift the Padres. Greg Harris, 8-7, pitched two innings of one-hit relief against the Astros, who have the worst road record in the majors at 22-47. Brian Meyer, 0-1, surrendered Roberts homer and took the loss.

Dodgers 5, Braves 0

At Los Angeles, rookie Mike Hartley spun a three-hit shutout and Eddie Murray slugged a three-run homer, allowing the Dodgers snap a three-game losing streak and move to within 6 1-2 games of Cincinnati in the NL West. Hartley, 6-2, making his fifth major-league start, recorded his first career shutout. Braves rookie starter Paul Marak, 0-1, suffered his first-career defeat.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
DMartinez cf	3	1	2	0	Thompson lf	4	0	1	0

DeShields 2b	4	1	2	0	Oquendo ss	4	0	0	0
Raines lf	2	0	1	0	Lankford cf	4	1	1	1
Grissom lf	2	0	1	1	Hudler 1b	3	0	1	0
Wallach 3b	2	0	0	1	Jose rf	2	2	1	1
Walker rf	4	0	0	0	Gilkey lf	1	0	0	0
Galarraga 1b	4	0	1	0	Zeile 3b	3	1	1	1
Fitzgerald c	4	0	0	0	Pagnozzi c	3	0	1	0
Foley ss	2	0	0	0	Jones 2b	3	0	2	1
Gross p	0	0	0	0	Hill p	0	0	0	0
Santovenia ph	1	0	0	0	Collins pr	0	0	0	0
Ruskin p	0	0	0	0	Dayley p	1	0	0	0
Gardner p	1	0	0	0	Tudor p	0	0	0	0
Noboa ss	2	0	0	0	Guerrero ph	1	0	0	0
					DiPino p	0	0	0	0
					LSmith p	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	2	7	2	Totals	29	4	8	4

Montreal	100 000 010- 2
St. Louis	121 000 00x- 4

DP-Montreal 3, St. Louis 1. LOB-Montreal 5, St. Louis 4. 2B-Zeile, Jones 2, Grissom. HR-Lankford (1), Jose (1). SB-Jose (2), Hudler 2 (17). SF-Wallach.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Gardner (L 7-9)	3	5	4	4	1	3
Gross	3	3	0	0	0	0
Ruskin	2	0	0	0	1	1
St. Louis						
Hill	2	4	1	1	0	0
Dayley (W 4-2)	3	1	0	0	2	2
Tudor	2	0	0	0	0	1
DiPino	2-3	2	1	1	0	1
LSmith (S 24)	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1

HBP-by Gardner (Hill). WP-Hill. T- 2:36. A-10,897.

Umpires-Home, McSherry; 1b, Montague; 2b, Davidson; 3b, Williams.

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Larkin ss	4	0	1	0	Butler cf	5	1	2	1
Winnnghm cf	3	0	1	1	Kingery rf	5	0	1	0
Doran 3b	4	0	2	0	Clark 1b	4	1	1	0
O'Neill rf	4	0	1	0	Mitchell lf	3	1	0	0
Morris 1b	4	0	1	0	Williams 3b	4	2	2	2

Braggs lf	4	0	0	0	Kennedy c	4	0	2	1
Reed c	4	0	1	0	Thompson 2b	3	0	0	0
Duncan 2b	4	1	1	0	Uribe ss	3	1	0	0
Mahler p	1	1	1	1	Garrelts p	2	0	0	0
Benzinger ph	1	0	0	0	Riles ph	0	0	0	0
Layana p	0	0	0	0	Wilson p	0	0	0	0
Birtsas p	0	0	0	0	Bedrosian p	1	0	1	1
Quinones ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	34	2	9	2	Totals	34	6	9	5

Cincinnati	001 010 000- 2
San Francisco	300 000 12x- 6

E-Butler, Braggs. DP-San Francisco 1. LOB-Cincinnati 7, San Francisco 8.
2B-Clark, Williams, Winningham, O'Neill. 3B-Duncan. SB-Doran (20).
SF-Mahler.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Mahler (L 7-6)	6	6	3	3	2	1
Layana	1 2-3	2	3	2	2	0
Birtsas	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
San Francisco						
Garrelts (W 11-10)	7	8	2	2	1	4
Wilson	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Bedrosian (S 11)	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	4

WP-Garrelts 2. T-2:33. A-16,271.

Umpires-Home, Rennert; 1b, Bonin; 2b, Tata; 3b, Quick.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Walton cf	5	0	2	2	Dykstra cf	4	0	1	1
Sandberg 2b	2	1	2	0	Morandini 2b	1	0	0	0
GSmith 2b	2	0	0	0	Hollins ph	1	0	0	0
Grace 1b	4	0	2	2	VHayes lf	4	0	0	0
JSmith rf	2	1	1	0	Murphy rf	4	0	0	0
Dascenzo rf	1	0	0	0	Daulton c	3	0	1	0
May lf	4	0	0	0	CHayes 3b	4	1	1	0
McClendon ph	1	0	0	0	Jordan 1b	3	1	1	0
Wynne rf	0	0	0	0	Booker ss	3	0	2	1
Berryhill c	3	1	0	0	Thon ss	1	0	0	0
Pavlas p	0	0	0	0	Grimsley p	2	0	0	0
Williams p	1	0	0	0	Malone Jr p	0	0	0	0
Dunston ss	4	0	0	0	Meadows ph	1	0	0	0

Ramos 3b	3	1	1	0	Boever p	0	0	0	0
Nunez p	2	1	0	1	McElroy p	0	0	0	0
Girardi c	1	0	0	0	Ready ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	35	5	8	5	Totals	32	2	6	2

Chicago	001 004 000- 5
Philadelphia	000 000 200- 2

E-Ramos. LOB-Chicago 10, Philadelphia 9. 2B-Sandberg, Jordan. SB-Daulton (6), Walton (13). S-Morandini.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Nunez (W 2-6)	6 2-3	6	2	2	2	7
Pavlas	0	0	0	0	1	0
Williams (S 14)	2 1-3	0	0	0	1	3
Philadelphia						
Grimsley (L 1-1)	5 2-3	6	5	5	4	6
Malone Jr	1 1-3	0	0	0	2	0
Boever	1	1	0	0	0	1
McElroy	1	1	0	0	0	0

HBP-by Grimsley (JSmith), by Williams (Jordan). T-2:37. A-13,849.

Umpires-Home, Layne; 1b, Runge; 2b, Winters; 3b, Davis.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Miller cf	4	0	1	0	Backman 2b	4	1	2	0
Magadan 3b	4	0	0	0	Belliard 2b	0	0	0	0
Herr 2b	4	0	0	0	Reynolds ph	0	0	0	0
McReynlds lf	3	0	0	0	Lind 2b	0	0	0	0
Strawberry rf	3	0	0	0	Bell ss	3	2	0	0
Teufel 1b	3	1	1	0	Van Slyke cf	4	1	2	0
Johnson ss	3	0	1	1	Bonilla rf	3	1	2	2
O'Brien c	2	0	0	0	Bonds lf	4	1	2	1
Jefferies ph	1	0	0	0	Bream 1b	3	0	1	1
Hundley c	0	0	0	0	King 3b	4	0	1	1
Valera p	1	0	0	0	LaValliere c	4	1	1	0
Musselman p	0	0	0	0	Tomlin p	3	0	0	0
Tabler ph	1	0	0	0					
Innis p	0	0	0	0					
Reed ph	1	0	0	0					
Whitehurst p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	30	1	3	1	Totals	32	7	11	5

New York	000 010 000- 1
Pittsburgh	203 100 01x- 7

E-Herr, Bell, Hundley. DP-New York 3, Pittsburgh 1. LOB-New York 2, Pittsburgh 7. 2B-Van Slyke, Bonilla, Teufel. S- Tomlin. SF-Bonilla.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Valera (L 1-1)	2	8	5	4	2	1
Musselman	2	1	1	1	1	1
Innis	3	1	0	0	0	1
Whitehurst	1	1	1	0	1	0
Pittsburgh						
Tomlin (W 2-2)	9	3	1	1	0	6

Valera pitched to 5 batters in the 3rd.

T-2:40. A-32,528.

Umpires-Home, Hallion; 1b, Marsh; 2b, Wendelstedt; 3b, West.

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Biggio c	2	0	0	0	Roberts 3b	5	1	1	3
Ramirez ss	4	0	1	0	Abner cf	4	0	1	0
Stubbs lf	3	0	0	0	Gwynn rf	4	0	1	0
Davis 1b	4	0	1	0	Clark 1b	3	0	0	0
Caminiti 3b	4	0	1	0	Carter lf	4	0	1	0
Yelding 2b	0	0	0	0	Templeton ss	4	1	2	0
Davidson cf	4	0	2	0	Parent c	3	0	0	0
Anthony rf	2	0	0	0	Faries 2b	4	0	1	0
Agosto p	0	0	0	0	Hurst p	2	0	0	0
Rohde 2b	3	0	0	0	Alomar ph	1	0	0	0
Oberkfell 3b	1	0	0	0	Harris p	0	0	0	0
Deshaies p	2	0	0	0	Lynn ph	0	0	0	0
Candaele ph	1	0	0	0	Santiago ph	0	1	0	0
Schatzeder p	0	0	0	0					
Meyer p	0	0	0	0					
Rhodes rf	0	0	0	0					
Totals	30	0	5	0	Totals	34	3	7	3

Two out when winning run scored.

Houston	000 000 000 0- 0
San Diego	000 000 000 3- 3

DP-San Diego 3. LOB-Houston 5, San Diego 5. 2B-Gwynn. HR-Roberts (7). SB-

Davis (7). S-Anthony, Parent.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Deshaies	7	5	0	0	1	5
Schatzeder	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Meyer (L 0-1)	1 1-3	1	1	1	0	1
Agosto	0	1	2	2	1	0
San Diego						
Hurst	8	4	0	0	2	9
Harris (W 8-7)	2	1	0	0	2	0

Balk-Harris.

Umpires-Home, Pulli; 1b, Rippley; 2b, Darling; 3b, Froemming.

T-2:41. A-12,533.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
LSmith lf	4	0	1	0	Harris 2b	4	1	2	0
Whitt c	4	0	0	0	Gibson cf	4	0	0	0
Gant cf	4	0	0	0	Daniels lf	3	2	1	1
Justice rf	4	0	0	0	Murray 1b	3	1	2	3
Gregg 1b	3	0	1	0	Brooks rf	3	1	1	0
Presley 3b	3	0	0	0	Javier rf	0	0	0	0
Blauser 2b	2	0	0	0	Scioscia c	4	0	2	0
Thomas ss	3	0	0	0	Sharpersn 3b	2	0	0	1
Rosario ss	0	0	0	0	Vizcaino 2b	0	0	0	0
Marak p	1	0	0	0	Offerman ss	4	0	0	0
Castillo p	0	0	0	0	Hartley p	4	0	0	0
Grant p	0	0	0	0					
McDowell ph	1	0	0	0					
Henry p	0	0	0	0					
Bell ph	1	0	1	0					
Freeman p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	30	0	3	0	Totals	31	5	8	5

Atlanta	000 000 000- 0
Los Angeles	302 000 00x- 5

E-Justice, Harris, Presley. DP-Atlanta 1, Los Angeles 1. LOB-Atlanta 4, Los Angeles 7. 2B-Scioscia, Harris, Bell. HR-Murray (22), Daniels (24). SB-Harris (14). SF- Sharperson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Atlanta							
Marak (L 0-1)	2	1-3	5	5	5	3	1
Castillo	2	1-3	3	0	0	0	2
Grant		1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Henry		2	0	0	0	1	1
Freeman		1	0	0	0	0	1
Los Angeles							
Hartley (W 6-2)		9	3	0	0	0	6

HBP-By Hartley (Blauser).

Umpires-Home, Crawford; 1b, Harvey; 2b, Demuth; 3b, Gregg.

T-2:40. A-36,362.

-30- 10590
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(SEPT. 7) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	81	56	.591	-	41-27	39-29	7-3	W-6
New York	77	59	.566	3 1/2	46-22	31-37	6-4	L-4
Montreal	71	65	.522	9 1/2	39-28	32-37	5-5	L-1
Chicago	64	72	.471	16 1/2	32-35	32-37	4-6	W-1
Philadel.	63	73	.463	17 1/2	33-33	30-40	5-5	L-1
St. Louis	62	75	.453	19	32-40	30-35	4-6	W-1
West								
Cincinnati	78	58	.574	-	38-26	39-32	5-5	L-1
Los Angeles	72	65	.526	6 1/2	40-29	32-35	5-5	W-1
San Fran.	70	67	.511	8 1/2	37-28	33-38	4-6	W-1
San Diego	63	73	.463	15	33-37	28-37	2-8	W-2
Houston	62	75	.453	16 1/2	40-27	22-47	6-4	L-1
Atlanta	56	81	.409	22 1/2	33-38	22-43	7-3	L-1

-30- 1004
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(SEPT. 7) UPI - It appears that whenever the Texas Rangers need a boost, they receive a healthy dose of Bobby Witt's pitching to get them on track.

Witt set a club record by winning his 12th straight game Thursday night and Ruben Sierra led an offensive onslaught by contributing a grand slam, powering the Rangers to a 12-1 pasting of the Kansas City Royals.

''It gives you extra confidence when Bobby is on the mound,'' Rangers' leadoff man Jeff Huson said. ''They got one run in the first and you just felt that was all they were going to get. Sure enough, it was.

''This gives us some boost for the last few weeks in the season,'' added Huson, one of those on base when Sierra hit his grand slam in the first inning. ''We haven't been hitting the ball like we should have been.''

Maybe so, but Witt, 15-8, was his usual self.

Witt is 12-0 in his last 14 starts beginning June 28. His last loss came June 17 at Seattle. Witt eclipsed the club record winning streak set by Ferguson Jenkins, who won 11 in a row spanning 1978-79.

''It's fun to pitch and win like this,'' Witt said. ''I felt a little out of sync mechanically, but overall I felt strong.''

Witt went seven innings and struck out eight to tie Nolan Ryan with 189 strikeouts on the season - second behind Roger Clemens in the American League. Witt's win streak is the longest in the majors since Roger Clemens' 14-game win streak in 1986. It is the 38th time in American League history a pitcher has won 12 or more straight and the sixth time in the last 10 seasons.

Chris Codiroli, 0-1, took the loss. He was bombed for five hits and four runs in the first inning.

Huson opened the first with a single, Julio Franco singled to center, and Rafael Palmeiro walked to load the bases for Sierra, who hit his 16th homer of the year.

''We escaped with two innings worth of zeroes (when Texas didn't score),'' Kansas City Manager John Wathan said. ''There's not much else to talk about when that happens to your team.''

Texas added runs in the second, third, fourth, twice in the the sixth and three more times in the seventh on Franco's three-run home run, his eighth of the year. Texas collected 17 hits in the game.

Elsewhere in the American League, California clubbed New York 12-6 in 11 innings and Cleveland blanked Detroit 6-0 in a rain-shortened five-inning game.

In the NL, it was: Pittsburgh 7, New York 1; St. Louis 4, Montreal 2; San Francisco 6, Cincinnati 2; Chicago 5, Philadelphia 2; San Diego 3, Houston 0, 10 innings and Los Angeles 5, Atlanta 0.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Angels 12, Yankees 6, 11 innings

At New York, Dante Bichette tied the game in the ninth inning with a home run and triggered a six-run 11th inning with an RBI double. Bob McClure, 1-0, entered in the 10th and picked up his first win since September 12, 1989. Lee Guetterman, 9-5, took the loss.

Indians 6, Tigers 0, called by rain after five innings

At Detroit, Candy Maldonado smacked a three run home run and walked twice with the bases loaded in the first two innings. Tom Candiotti, 14- 10, pitched a seven-hitter to earn his first win in Tiger Stadium. Randy Nosek faced just four batters, falling to 1-1.

-30- 3432

#90250u0316 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 7) UPI - The Tokyo stock market took a roller coaster ride Friday and ended higher than it started.

The Nikkei average of 225 selected issues, which fell to its lowest closing point of the year by midday, wound up at 23,962.07, a gain of 150.16 points. The Nikkei had fallen every day of the week, including a 266.43-point loss Thursday.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index of all major shares slipped 0.10 points to 1,845.93, following a 14.05-point loss the day before.

Volume rose to an estimated 440 million shares, up from 389.78 million Thursday.

In the morning session, the Nikkei plummeted 314.03 points to a closing of 23,497.88, its lowest level of the year.

The market rallied in the afternoon on hopes that the rising yen will offset higher oil prices and on rumors of a breakthrough in the Gulf crisis, brokers said.

The yen rose to an 11-month high of 140.25 yen against the dollar Friday.

The stock market rally centered on blue-chip stocks and speculative issues in a pattern that has become familiar since the Gulf crisis began Aug. 2.

Analysts were doubtful that the bulls would run far.

''A lot of people think the market looks bearish for the next six months

'' said analyst Christopher Schreiber of the New Japan Securities Co. ''We haven't seen anything like a selling climax yet.''

The lower dollar promised some relief on inflationary pressures, but threatened exports, analysts said.

Coupled with the looming recession in the United States, the export outlook for high-priced items such as luxury autos and electronics is dimming, they said.

In addition, the stock market is suffering from a lack of fresh investments, meaning that the same money is cycling in and out of the market, they said.

-30- 1961

#90250u0326 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 7) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis presents a chance to clear up numerous Middle East problems within a U.N. Security Council framework, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said Friday.

After dealing with what he termed ''Iraqi aggression,'' the body could tackle the Arab-Israeli conflict and the Lebanon morass, Shevardnadze said at a news conference at the end of a four-day visit to Japan.

The Soviet Union wants to see a peaceful solution to the gulf crisis, and to that end the number of Soviet military advisers in Iraq is being reduced, he said. But the Soviets' first priority was to evacuate the women and children among the 8,000 Soviets in Iraq, he said.

Touching on the Cambodian civil war, he said that in view of the U.S. willingness to meet with the Vietnam-backed government of Hun Sen, he is prepared to meet with Prince Norodom Sihanouk, nominal leader of the three-party coalition of rebels.

Elaborating on a proposal he made public in Vladivostok Tuesday, Shevardnadze told members of the Japan National Press Club the best way to reach a peaceful resolution of the gulf crisis would be to convene an international conference of the conflicting parties and the permanent members of the Security Council.

The United States, the Soviet Union, France, Britain and China make up the permanent core of the Security Council.

The first priority of the conference would be to resolve the conflict with Iraq, he said.

But afterward, he said, it could take up the Arab-Israeli issue.

''If the Arabs decide to join forces in support of the conference and take part jointly with the U.N. Security Council members, that could give us a chance of finding some rational solutions,'' Shevarnadze said.

He did not mention Israel, which has opposed such a conference.

The third Middle East agenda item would be war-torn Lebanon, he said.

Speaking of his visit to Japan, which laid the groundwork for an unprecendented trip by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, Shevardnadze was markedly upbeat.

During his visit, Shevardnadze delivered a message from Gorbachev saying the Soviet president hope to visit Japan in April.

''The situation has changed radically since 1986. We are now poised to discuss new principles for a new relationship between our two nations and peoples,'' Shevardnadze said.

He said the Soviets had proposed some simple ''confidence-building measures'' to reduce military tension between the two countries in the meantime, and had hopes the Japanese government would accept them.

But he also admonished the Japanese media to take a broader and less suspicious view of the situation.

He pressed them to look beyond the dispute over four Soviet-held islands that lie off Japan's northernmost main island of Hokkaido.

The territorial dispute has prevented the conclusion of a peace treaty between the two nations since the end of World War II.

''There is no need to take the line of all or nothing,'' he said, hinting that the Soviets would be flexible on the question, but only if it were addressed in the broader context of a peace treaty and fuller relations.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - Deadly storms that damaged houses and flooded streets in the Midwest and shattered a 28-foot sailboat carrying six people on Lake Erie moved eastward Friday, prompting flood and storm warnings in Pennsylvania and New York.

Hot weather remained in the South, clear skies covered the West and the National Hurricane Center in Miami reported newly upgraded Hurricane Isidore gathered muscle in the eastern Atlantic.

A large area of strong storms slammed into Michigan, Ohio and Indiana Thursday afternoon and continued through Friday, and utilities reported thousands of people were without power in the region.

Powerful waves whipped by 57 mph winds slammed a 28-foot sailboat against a rocky wall Thursday night near Edgewater Park in Cleveland, destroying the boat, killing one woman and leaving a second missing, authorities said.

The Coast Guard reported that one woman and three men survived the crash.

''Waves were picking the boat up and slamming it down against the rocks ... while they were clinging to the boat,'' said John Kearns, chief officer of the Cleveland Coast Guard station.

In Michigan, storms knocked a tree through the roof of a house and caused dozens of traffic accidents in Detroit. There were unconfirmed tornado sightings throughout the region and tens of thousands of people were without electricity.

The thunderstorms moved into Pennsylvania Friday, where flash flood watches and warnings were in effect for the western half of the state and the northern panhandle of West Virginia.

In the Northeast, clouds covered the region, and showers - and possibly thunderstorms - were expected later Friday for regions from Massachusetts to New York City.

Summer heat continued to broil the South and the National Weather Service warned of excessive heat and high humidity across North Carolina, where temperatures topped 90 degrees.

In the West, clouds developed over most of the mountains of Northern and Central California although only isolated showers were reported over the central Sierra Nevada. Sunny skies prevailed elsewhere with Death Valley posting a high of 110 degrees, highest in the state.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 7) UPI - President Frederik de Klerk will hold talks in Washington with President Bush on Sept. 24 during the first official visit by a South African president to the United States in more than four decades of apartheid rule, officials said Friday.

An official at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs confirmed the meeting and said formal announcements by the South African and U.S. governments were expected to be issued on the visit later in the day.

Bush invited de Klerk to the United States following his Feb. 2 racial reform initiatives that included the release of Nelson Mandela from 27 years' imprisonment, the unbanning of the African National Congress and calls for negotiations on a post-apartheid constitution.

He had been expected to visit Washington in June but canceled the visit to avert a confrontation with anti-apartheid activists who objected to de Klerk's reception at the White House before Mandela's in July.

De Klerk will be the first South African head of government to visit the United States since the National Party won power in 1948 and erected the discriminatory laws known as apartheid. De Klerk has pledged to abolish apartheid and negotiate a system of equal rights for all South Africans irrespective of color.

De Klerk also is expected to travel shortly to the Netherlands on a similarly unprecedented tour.

Dutch Foreign Minister Hans van den Broek announced in the Netherlands Wednesday that de Klerk would probably visit the country in October - an announcement that coincided with the arrival in South Africa of a unprecedented Dutch parliamentary delegation.

Since the National Party's rise to power, Holland has had chilly relations with South Africa, whose minority white population is dominated by the Dutch-descended Afrikaners.

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#90250u0367 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 7) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International: .

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has appeared on Western television to give his side of the Gulf crisis. Now, President Bush will be on Iraqi television. The White House says Bush has accepted an offer from Saddam to appear on Baghdad t-v. The State Department will translate the president's message and the tape probably will be delivered to Iraqi officials next week. .

U-S officials are hopeful a mercy airlift of American citizens from Kuwait to Iraq will go without a hitch. The United States has chartered an Iraqi jetliner to ferry some of the 22-hundred Americans in occupied Kuwait to Iraq. From, there they are to go to Jordan, but its UNclear whether the Iraqis will restrict exit visas to just women and children.

New charges have been filed against Edward Humphrey, the main suspect in

the five Gainesville, Florida, murders of students. The charges involve campus incidents of the day before the first bodies were discovered. Humphrey is being held on one-Million-dollar bond, but has NOT been charged with the killings.

A high school junior described as ''well-mannered held 40 classmates hostage in Cumming, Georgia, yesterday after walking into school with two guns. Randy Addis surrendered after five hours. School officials say a girl he offered to free stayed and tried to persuade him to surrender.

At Cape Canaveral, engineers are now aiming for a launch date of around September 17th for the shuttle Columbia. The latest delay was caused by faulty fuel pumps that may be leaking hydrogen. Another problem is that the shuttle Discovery is scheduled for flight next month and the space agency requires a three-week wait between shuttle flights.

An environmental group called Environmental Action lists one Democrat and 11 Republicans as the worst polluters in Congress- the so- called ''Dirty Dozen.'' However an anti-abortion group charges the environmentalists found fault with some lawmakers for voting against a bill that supports compulsory abortion in China.

-30- 2278

#90250u0374 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 7) UPI - The oil industry is creating a cleanup organization it says can handle oil spills as large as the one from the Exxon Valdez. It will be run by former Coast Guard admiral John Costello and will have five regional centers placed to allow quick response to future oil spills.

Indians finally ended an eight-week blockade yesterday on a bridge between the Quebec town of Chateauguay and Montreal. Barricades were put up following the death of a police officer in the dispute with Mohawk Indians. The blockade forced commuters who work in Montreal to spend as long as three hours taking other roads.

Two 17-year-old Israeli boys are charged with illegally crossing into Jordan. They went across the guarded border to visit an ancient city about 10 days ago and were arrested yesterday when they returned to Jordan. In the past, at least 12 Israelis crossing the border have been shot and killed.

South African police say two gunmen opened fire last night on a crowd on a railroad platform in Johannesburg, killing five people. 14 were wounded. The gunmen and the victims were all black. Police do NOT know if the shooting was related to the last month's wave of racial attacks.

Comedian Jay Leno plans to entertain American troops in the Persian Gulf

if they still are there on Thanksgiving. Leno is the first celebrity to plan a tour of the area. The U-S-O says Leno is volunteering his time. Production costs will be paid out of a U-S-O Gulf Crisis fund supported by major corporations.

-30- 1679

#90250u0380 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (SEPT. 7) UPI - Premier Li Peng has stepped down from his concurrent post as minister in charge of a key government economic research commission, state television reported Friday.

Li's departure as head of the State Commission on Restructuring the Economy, a post he had held since April 1988, was approved by the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, China's rubber- stamp parliament.

He was replaced by Chen Jinhua, president of the China National Petrochemical Corp., government television reported on its evening newscast. A political unknown, Chen has headed the government petrochemical conglomerate since 1983.

The impact of the shift was not immediately clear but analysts said it could reflect continuing disagreements among Chinese leaders over the troubled state of the economy and how to proceed with free-market economic reforms launched in the late 1970s.

A Li-advocated austerity program, begun in late 1988 to rein in record inflation, pushed the economy to near recession last year, raised unemployment and forced the government to loosen credit earlier this year.

The restructuring commission was founded in 1982 as one of several liberal ''think tanks'' under Premier Zhao Ziyang, the reformist who became communist party chief in 1987 but was ousted in June 1989 after the crushing of the pro-democracy movement.

The commission had been home to some of China's best and brightest reform thinkers but they have been largely silenced since the austerity program began and since the government swung to a hard line after the crackdown on the protests last year.

Li, known as a colorless, uninspiring premier, is perhaps the least popular leader in the Chinese hierarchy and engendered hatred for his key role in last year's crackdown.

But he is backed by several powerful party elders and his position is believed to be secure at present.

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#90250u0421 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
HELSINKI (SEPT. 7) UPI - A Finnish member of Parliament and political non- conformist is to interview Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for a television report to be aired during Sunday's superpower summit in Helsinki, it was reported Friday.

Finland's main Swedish language daily Hufvudstadsbladet said Jorgen Donner unconventional and outspoken parliamentarian and former minister of culture, left for Baghdad with a commitment from Saddam that he would permit the interview.

''A film company here in Finland approached me, said it had permission for the interview and asked if I would do the questioning,'' Donner said.

''I would not go unless there was a firm commitment on the part of the Iraqi leader to agree to the interview,'' Donner said before leaving Helsinki.

Donner, newly appointed political spokesman for Finland's Swedish People's Party, was to leave Amman, Jordan, late Friday for Baghdad and was expected to interview Saddam Saturday before returning to Finland.

''I have to be back on Sunday anyway because I've promised to babysit,'' Donner said.

President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev are to meet Sunday in Helsinki to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis and other matters of bilateral interest.

The Finnish film company arranging the interview said it had booked sattelite time for its transmission Saturday.

''The interview has been sold to a number of countries and we have had a lot of other requests for the interview,'' a spokeswoman for the company said but refused to give any details.

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#90250u0492 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
BOSTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - Gov. Michael S. Dukakis was on a business trip to Europe Friday ready to return home on short notice if Lt. Gov. Evelyn Murphy, lagging in the three-way race to replace him, does anything to upset his administration's plans to deal with the state's fiscal crisis.

When Dukakis took off Thursday night, he called Murphy's threats to co-opt the administration's budget planning ''pathetic.''

Murphy, a Democratic gubernatorial candidate who has slipped in recent polls, described the governor's reaction to her statements as ''wild'' and ''weird.''

She continued to refuse to disclose exactly what steps she would take, explaining only that they would be ''responsible.''

''I want to make sure the books are balanced at the end of the year,'' she said Thursday. ''It's important to respond to the signals right now.''

Murphy drew Dukakis's undisguised ire Wednesday when she said she would take independent steps to deal with yet another impending budget deficit when the governor departed for Europe. She is acting governor in his absence.

''I think how the governor reacted yesterday was strange, weird,'' said Murphy. ''So to see the kind of overreaction yesterday by him and by his staff and this kind of wildness, I don't understand. There's no good will here and certainly no mutual respect.''

The governor accused Murphy, who is running well behind Frank Bellotti and John Silber in public opinion polls for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination, of using the state's fiscal crisis ''for personal political gain.''

Dukakis had originally intended to leave for Europe to drum up business for Massachusetts on Monday, but put that off because of reports Murphy planned to make sweeping changes while acting as governor.

The governor on Tuesday announced he was implementing a 4 percent spending reduction approved by the Legislature and ordering his Cabinet officers to come up with plans within 15 days for another 4 percent reduction.

''I think the episode of the past 24 hours really has been kind of pathetic,'' said Dukakis. ''If anything happens which affects the stability and the kind of work were doing on a fiscal plan for this state ... I may have to go back.''

Administration and Finance Secretary Edward Lashman accused Murphy of jeopardizing delicate negotiations with the financial community.

''We've got a bizarre situation here, people; we've got a really bizarre situation,'' Lashman told reporters. ''We can't risk the future of the commonwealth and its economy.''

''We've got a $600 million bond sale coming up in a couple of weeks. The last thing the New York financial community wants to know is that there's

some new Mickey Mouse going on because of a political ploy by the lieutenant governor,'' said Lashman.

''It's absolutely pathetic,'' he said. ''Evelyn Murphy is not going to be governor of the commonwealth under any circumstances.''

Silber called Murphy's actions a ''coup d'etat that belongs in a musical comedy.''

Bellotti said he would wait and see what happens.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - C O R R E C T I O N

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The oil industry is creating a cleanup organization it says can handle oil spills as large as the one from the Exxon Valdez. It will be run by former Coast Guard admiral John Costello and will have five regional centers placed to allow quick response to future oil spills.

Indians finally ended an eight-week blockade yesterday on a bridge between the Quebec town of Chateauguay and Montreal. Barricades were put up following the death of a police officer in the dispute with Mohawk Indians. The blockade forced commuters who work in Montreal to spend as long as three hours taking other roads.

Two 17-year-old Israeli boys are charged with illegally crossing into Jordan. They went across the guarded border to visit an ancient city about 10 days ago and were arrested yesterday when they returned to Israel. In the past, at least 12 Israelis crossing the border have been shot and killed.

South African police say two gunmen opened fire last night on a crowd on a railroad platform in Johannesburg, killing five people. 14 were wounded. The gunmen and the victims were all black. Police do NOT know if the shooting was related to the last month's wave of racial attacks.

Comedian Jay Leno plans to entertain American troops in the Persian Gulf if they still are there on Thanksgiving. Leno is the first celebrity to plan a tour of the area. The U-S-O says Leno is volunteering his time. Production costs will be paid out of a U-S-O Gulf Crisis fund supported by major corporations.

#90250u0559 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - The nation's civilian jobless rate climbed to 5.6 percent in August - the highest level in two years - as more factory and construction workers lost their jobs, the Labor Department said Friday.

Private analysts had expected the jobless rate to hold steady at July's 5.5 percent.

''Employment continued to be weak in August and unemployment rose slightly '' according to the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

''Job declines occured throughout the goods-producing sector,'' the report said. ''These losses were only partly offset by small gains in the service-producing sector.''

Total employment edged down 75,000 in August over July. A government spokesman said the 5.6 percent jobless rate was the highest since a 5.6 percent showing in August 1988.

The Labor Department said the number of manufacturing jobs declined about 45,000 last month, with the electronic equipment and transportation equipment industries being the hardest hit.

''Since reaching a post-recession peak in January 1989, the number of factory jobs has declined 455,000,'' the report said.

Employment in the construction industry, meanwhile, continued its recent slide, dropping by about 40,000 jobs in August, for a three-month loss of nearly 100,000 jobs. Mining, which had added 60,000 jobs since last July, lost 7,000 in August.

In the service sector of the economy most of the job increase was in health services, which has been a strong performer for the past 12 months.

Counting military personnel, August' private businesses held steady in August at 34.5 hours, but increased to 41 hours from 40.9 hours for the manufacturing sector, while manufacturing overtime edged up to 3.9 hours from 3.8 hours.

In the public sector, state and local government's added about 60,000 jobs in August, but overall government employment fell by 65,000 jobs as the Census bureau laid off legions of temporary census workers.

The unemployment rate for teenagers increased to 16.7 percent in August from 16.3 percent, while the jobless rate for blacks shot up to 11.8 percent in August from 11.3 percent in July. But the rate for Hispanics inched down to 7.8 percent last month from 7.9 percent.

The data in the report was adjusted to reflect seasonal factors.

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#90250u0589 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

JAKARTA, INDONESIA (SEPT. 7) UPI - Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen refused Friday to attend delayed peace talks to end an 11-year-old civil war unless resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk sit down with him at the negotiating table.

''I decided not to attebd the meeting as long as Sihanouk does not attend '' said the Hanoi-backed leader on arrival. ''This is my serious position.''

Hun Sen's announcement raised fears that the crucial talks were derailed again after three days of wrangling over representation of the warring factions.

A key Indonesian organizer said intensive negotiations were under way to persuade Sihanouk to participate. Although the mercurial Sihanouk was still in Beijing and not scheduled to arrive until late Saturday, the organizer said his presence at the talks ''is the key'' to the survival of the session.

''I am in Jakarta as coach, team captain and player,'' Hun Sen said. ''I have to see whether my counterpart takes part in the competition. If he just wants to be a trainer, I will do the same.''

Hun Sen's arrival was delayed by four hours because Singapore refused to grant clearance for his plane.

Hor Nam Hong, Phnom Penh's deputy prime minister for foreign affairs, said Hun Sen arrived in Ho Chi Minh City from Phnom Penh but was initially thwarted from continuing to Jakarta.

''The Singapore government would not allow the airline to refuel'' or permit it to fly through its air space, he said, leaving Hun Sen in Ho Chi Minh City until an alternate route was worked out.

Singapore has no diplomatic relations with Vietnam and has been one of the strongest critics of the United States' decision to withdraw diplomatic recognition for the three-party guerrilla coalition fighting the Phnom Penh government.

A spokesman for the Singapore Foreign Ministry denied there was any refusal to grant clearance.

The unexpected turn of events left the Indonesian hosts in a quandry over when the talks, originally slated to start Wednesday, could begin. They decided to withhold any decision until all of the delegates arrived.

Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas and those already here representing Sihanouk's three-party coalition all expressed relief after Sihanouk said Thursday in Beijing he would attend as a guest of President Suharto, reversing his previous refusal to come to Jakarta at all.

Sihanouk said he would not participate directly in the talks but would be represented by his son, Prince Norodom Ranariddh.

Hun Sen, who had declined to show up in Sihanouk's absence, also decided to come Friday, raising hopes the talks were back on track.

But Hun Sen said Ranariddh had no right to represent Sihanouk at the negotiations. He said, ''I demand Sihanouk's participation,'' and noted he did not want a repeat of three failures to make progress at Jakarta peace talks since 1988.

''If Sihanouk is absent, I will be absent,'' said a resolute Hun Sen. ''He will be the one to determine whether I will attend or not.''

While determined not to participate in the sessions, Sihanouk said he would work with the leaders of his Khmer Rouge-dominated coalition to set up a Supreme National Council to embody Cambodian sovereignity and hold Cambodia's seat in the United Nations prior to free elections, a step viewed as essential toward ending the civil war.

Alatas, who has hosted the unsuccessful regional peace talks on Cambodia and co-hosted the international Paris conference last year, persevered in his efforts to spark another Sihanouk turnaround, an aide said.

The talks were called to discuss a plan approved by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council last week, including the setting up of the SNC. The Sept. 18 opening of the U.N. General Assembly meeting lent additional urgency to the gathering.

The plan, worked out by the United States, Britain, China, France and the Soviet Union, provided for separation and disarmament of all forces in Cambodia, a major U.N. supervisory role and free elections.

Hun Sen's refusal to participate without Sihanouk came only two days after Secretary of State James Baker said the United States would open direct contacts with Phnom Penh. In explaining the move, Baker noted Hun Sen had agreed to use the U.N. plan as a framework for discussions with the other parties.

Two U.S.-Vietnamese meetings took place in August in New York.

The United States, in a major policy shift, withdraw support for the guerrilla coalition's seat in July because it included the Khmer Rouge, the most powerful of the factions and blamed for the deaths of more than 1 million Cambodians during its four-year reign. The Khmer Rouge was toppled by the Vietnamese invasion in 1978.

Armed by China, the Khmer Rouge is militarily the strongest of the resistance factions and fears of its possible return to political power prompted the U.S. move.

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#90250u0620 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 7) UPI - The United States is getting ready to airlift some of the 22- hundred Americans trapped in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. Under an agreement struck by the U-S Embassy in Baghdad, the plane is to pick up U-S citizens in Kuwait, return to Baghdad for exit permits, and then fly to Jordan. The State Department says it's the first such agreement with Iraq to allow evacuation of Americans... other than diplomatic personnel and their families. .

Secretary of State Baker met today in Saudi Arabia with the ousted leader of Kuwait. Yesterday, he met with Saudi King Fahd and won a pledge of BILLIONS of dollars to help pay for the U-S troop buildup in the Persian Gulf. From Saudi Arabia, Baker flies to the United Arab Emirates and later to Egypt, where he's expected to hold talks with President Mubarak tomorrow. Baker will be in Finland Sunday for the super-power summit.

NASA will try again around September 17th to launch the shuttle Columbia. The spaceplane was grounded this week by a fuel leak, and engineers at Cape Canaveral are working through the weekend to replace suspect fuel pumps. Columbia is already months behind schedule. NASA says if it doesN'T get off the ground soon, the flight will be delayed to later in the year.

Classes are to resume today in school districts in California, Michigan and Illinois where teacher strikes have ended. But new strikes cropped up in other areas, and walkouts affecting 56-hundred teachers and 93-thousand students continue nationwide. Officials say salaries and benefits are the main issues in many of the disputes.

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#90250u0624 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA UPI) - Thai Foreign Minister Subin Pinkayan expressed optism Friday that positive results might be reached at informal Cambodian peace talks in Jakarta this week.

Progress might be made at the fourth round of talks - the first three were deadlocked - because of the Cambodian peace plan recently agreed to by the five permanent U.N. Security Coincil memebers, he said.

''I see this as the best opportunity for the four warring factions to get together and talk because now we have the directive of the U.N. to start with, Subin said on his first stop of his tour of the Association of South East Asian Nations countries.

''We never had this before and that is why so many countries including ASEAN members, are optimistic about the talks and are giving their support.''

The five permanent members - the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain, France and China - adopted a peace plan that calls for U.N. supervision in Cambodia leading to free election.

It was imperative that all four Cambodian factions attend the talks, Subin said.

The four factions are the Phnom Penh government, led by Hun Sen, and the three-part resistance linking the Khmer Rouge with two non- communist groups led by former ruler Prince wNorodum Sihanouk and former premeir Son Sann.

Subin, who leaves for Singfpore Saturday, is keeping with ASEAN tradition of foreign ministers making official calls on their counterpart once they are appointed.

ASEAN groups the non-communist countries of the Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia, Singapore, Brunei and Malaysia.

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RANGOON, BURMA (SEPT. 7) UPI - Burma's military junta arrested ''for security reasons'' the two acting leaders and four other members of the political party that swept recent elections, official Rangoon radio reported Friday.

Gen. Saw Maung, leader of the military group that has refused to yield power to the legislature elected last May, said the arrests were part of action being taken to prevent political unrest.

Diplomatic sources in Rangoon, however, said the arrest of the elderly, moderate Kyi Maung and Chit Khaing - who became acting leaders of National League of Democracy when the party's official leaders Aung San Suu Kyi and

Tin U were arrested in July - may increase the possibility of protests.

''On the evening of Sept. 6, authorities concerned detained for security reasons Kyi Maung, member of the Central Executive Committee of the National League for Democracy and Chit Khaing, secretary of the NLD,'' Rangoon radio reported.

Campaigning for a return to democracy and an end to military rule, the NLD won a sweeping 80 percent of the seats in the legislature in May elections swamping several pro-military parties. The party leaders arrested in July are still being detained.

Military leaders, who had promised to let the elected legislature meet and form a government, have steadily backed away from their earlier statements prompting the NLD to demand that the legislature be allowed to convene this month.

''At present, steps are being taken to measures have been prescribed for organizations concerned,'' the general said. He said legal steps would be taken against any party which attempts to form a government, but the military rules under martial law which has made many political activities illegal.

Australian Foreign Minister Gareth Evans immediately denounced the arrests of Kyi Maung and Chit Khaing, which he said ''further discredited the military regime ... and made a mockery of the national elections in May.''

Rangoon radio made no mention of the NLD' s political demands or potential unrest, saying that the NLD leaders were arrested for ''passing state evidence they should have kept to themselves to unconcerned persons.''

It said another four NLD members were arrested in the central Burmese city of Mandalay for ''writing incorrect news to create disturbances in Mandalay.''

Western diplomats reported last month that government security forces shot into a crowd of protestors in Mandalay, killing four people. The government admitted there had been demonstrations in the city, but insisted security forces fired into the air and did not kill anyone.

In response to the incidents, the Buddhist hierarchy in Mandalay announced it would ''excommunicate'' junta leaders from all Buddhist rites.

Saw Maung initially shrugged off the Buddhist action, saying ''what I have been doing is for the good of the people and the country.''

But at a press conference Friday, the general quoted from Buddhist texts and took pains to point out that religions teach respect for and obedience

to the ruler, and that this teaching should be heeded by all, be they Buddhists, Christians or Moslems.

One Rangoon-based diplomat said it was possible the government was arresting NLD leaders as a pre-emptive action against political agitation.

''But more people believe the military wants a confrontation, and the arrests of moderate leaders are meant to cause the violence that will give them an excuse to completely cancel the results of the elections,'' he said.

Kyi Maung and Chit Khaing, both retired army colonels about 70 years old, are considered cautious leaders who have been restraining younger members of the party that have been demanding more forceful measures to demand a transfer of power.

The military killed hundreds, perhaps thousands of pro-democracy demonstrators when it seized direct power in 1988.

It has warned against any repetition of the 1988 demonstrations that brought out millions of people for marches demanding democracy.

The second anniversary of the military takeover on Sept. 18 is seen as a possible flashpoint for new demonstrations.

The Rangoon-based diplomat said there has been a moderate increase in security visible in Rangoon, but little public reaction to the arrests yet.

''Everyone is holding their breath until the anniversary,'' he said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - Civilian unemployment rates for the past year, revised and adjusted for seasonal factors, as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

Month	Percent
August 1989	5.3
September	5.3
October	5.3
November	5.3
December	5.3
January	5.3
February	5.3
March	5.2
April	5.4
May	5.3
June	5.2

July	5.5
August 1990	5.6

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - Share prices rebounded Friday in Tokyo following a four-day losing streak on worries about the situation in the Middle East.

The Nikkei average of 225 selected issues ended at 23,962.07 points, a gain of 150.16 points. The Nikkei, which lost 266.43 points Thursday, had dropped 2,166.46 points in the first four days of the week - or about 8.3 percent of its value.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index of all major shares slipped 0.10 points to 1,845.93, following a 14.05-point loss Thursday.

Volume was an estimated 440 million shares, up from 389.78 million Thursday.

The Nikkei began the day lower and was down 314.03 points by midday, before rebounding on hopes that the rising yen will help offset higher oil prices.

Rumors of a possible breakthrough in the Persian Gulf crisis helped the rebound, brokers said.

The Japanese currency surged to an 11-month high of 140.25 yen against the dollar Friday, an increase which is expected to harm Japanese exports.

Analysts, however, were doubtful the market would be able to retain its upward momentum.

''A lot of people think the market looks bearish for the next six months '' said analyst Christopher Schreiber of the New Japan Securities Co. ''We haven't seen anything like a selling climax yet.''

Elsewhere in Asia, share prices scored modest gains on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in thin trading.

The key Hang Seng index gained 15.06 points to 3,047.91 on rumors that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had fled to Libya, traders said.

The rumor, although groundless, helped the index rebound from its losses earlier in the day to end on a small advance.

Gains were modest and centered on the commercial, industrial and utility sectors. The rest of the market was virtually unchanged with major

investors remaining on the sidelines.

In Singapore, share prices finished lower in moderate trading with late bargain hunting bringing some activity to a dull session.

The Straits Times Industrial Index dipped 7.80 to 1238.76.

The All Singapore Index lost 2.59 to end at 347.98.

Volume was a very thin 34.06 million units.

Analysts said the afternoon rally in Tokyo did not influence Singapore.

''Investors in Singapore are more cautious then their counterparts in Tokyo,'' an analyst said.

''I doubt very much the market can pull itself up from the grasp of the bears,'' a broker said.

Gainers were Polytek, Khong Guan Flour, United Engineer, Haw Par, Bukit Sembawang, and Fraser and Neave Ordinary.

Losers were Singapore Airline (Foreign), Magnum Corp., Develoment Bank of Singapore (Foreign), Far East Shipping, Sembawang Shipyard, and Overseas Union Enterprise.

Share prices on the Sydney Stock Exchange ended lower slightly in a lackluster session.

The All Ordinaries Index closed down a mere 1.9 point to 1478.6.

Turnover was a thin 148 million shares.

Brokers said investors were cautiously monitoring trading in Tokyo in the absence of major developments in Australia.

Prices began the day lower, following Tokyo's morning decline.

But an afternoon rebound helped the market erase most of its earlier losses on hopes for lower interest rates in Australia and firmer gold and oil prices.

BHP led the oil issues, boosted by higher oil prices, to gain 15 cents to $11. Woodside was up 6 cents to $3.42, and Santos rose 6 cents to $5.12.

A softer Australian dollar helped some metal miners, with CRA gaining 5 cents to $11. But WMC fell 1 cent to $4.97, and MIM was down 2 cents to $2.22.

Disappointing profit results pressured the top industrials. News Corp. fell 10 cents to $11, Westpac was down 4 cents to $4.56, while Brambles rose 5 cents to $13.35.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - Unemployment rates in 11 selected states, seasonally adjusted, as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

State	Aug	July	June	Aug 89
California	5.4	5.1	4.9	4.6
Florida	6.7	5.7	6.5	5.3
Illinois	6.5	6.7	6.0	6.0
Massachusetts	6.7	6.1	5.8	4.1
Michigan	7.9	7.4	7.3	7.0
New Jersey	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.4
New York	5.0	5.3	5.1	5.1
North Carolina	3.6	4.6	3.7	3.7
Ohio	5.0	5.7	5.2	4.9
Pennsylvania	4.9	5.0	4.6	4.4
Texas	5.9	6.2	5.6	7.3

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	89	64	.04
Anchorage sy	62	50	....
Asheville sy	90	63	....
Atlanta hot	95	75	....
Baltimore ts	88	70	....
Billings sy	90	60	....
Birmingham hot	99	73	....
Bismarck sy	88	54	....
Boston sh	80	69	....
Brownsville cy	81	73	.06
Buffalo sh	75	68	.70
Burlington Vt. r	75	67	.04
Charleston S.C.hot	90	76	....
Charlotte sy	95	72	....
Chicago pc	96	71	.15
Cincinnati ts	91	72	....
Cleveland ts	87	66	3.30
Columbus Ohio ts	93	72	....
Dallas hot	101	76	....

Denver sy	83	59	....
Des Moines pc	97	69	....
Detroit ts	92	67	3.52
Duluth pc	79	53	.02
El Paso pc	89	67	....
Evansville pc	97	77	....
Fargo pc	88	56	.82
Hartford sh	83	71	....
Honolulu sh	90	77	....
Houston pc	95	72	....
Indianapolis ts	92	73	....
Jackson Miss. hot	97	71	....
Jacksonville sy	89	67	....
Kansas City pc	101	74	.06
Las Vegas sy	95	77	....
Little Rock hot	100	79	....
Los Angeles f	92	73	....
Louisville pc	96	74	....
Memphis sy	101	79	....
Miami Beach pc	86	76	....
Milwaukee pc	96	69	.06
Minneapolis pc	88	62	.08
Nashville sy	101	70	....
New Orleans sy	93	70	....
New York sh	83	72	....
Oklahoma City pc	98	77	....
Omaha pc	98	65	....
Orlando pc	94	73	....
Philadelphia hz	89	72	....
Phoenix f	100	83	....
Pittsburgh ts	86	66	2.42
Portland Me. sh	71	64	....
Portland Ore. pc	86	62	....
Providence sh	78	69	....
Richmond pc	93	72	....
St. Louis ts	101	80	....
Salt Lake City f	89	61	....
San Antonio pc	97	72	....
San Diego f	82	70	....
San Francisco f	72	58	....
San Juan ts	89	76	.12
Seattle fy	78	55	....
Spokane sy	91	mm	....
Tampa pc	95	76	....
Washington ts	89	74	....
Wichita pc	100	75	.02

c-clear

cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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OKLAHOMA CITY (SEPT. 7) UPI - An Oklahoma death row inmate has lost two more rounds in his court effort to escape execution early Monday.

The Oklahoma Supreme Court, in a 7-0 decision Thursday, refused to order a clemency hearing for Charles Troy Coleman, 43, who would become the first inmate executed in Oklahoma since 1966.

Attorney General Robert Henry said the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver also denied Coleman's emergency motion for a stay of execution. The motion sought a 30-day stay so Coleman could appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Unless he is granted a reprieve, Coleman is to die by drug injection at 12:02 a.m. Monday at the state penitentiary in McAlester.

Coleman was convicted of the Feb. 9, 1979, shotgun slaying of John Seward of Muskogee. Seward and his wife, Roxie, were killed at the home of Seward's sister, east of Muskogee. Coleman was not tried for Roxie Seward's death.

Authorities said the Sewards apparently surprised Coleman during a burglary at the relative's home and were marched into the basement and shot.

Mandy Welch, a public defender who represents Coleman, has said she will ask the U.S. Supreme Court to grant a stay of execution and review a Wednesday decision by the 10th Circuit Court, which refused Coleman's request for a rehearing of its decision not to issue a stay.

The U.S. Supreme Court has rejected Coleman's appeals five times.

Coleman's case has been heard more than 20 times by five different courts.

If the Supreme Court agrees to hear Coleman's appeal, the scheduled execution could be delayed or stayed. If the court refuses to hear the appeal or does not act upon it, Coleman will be executed.

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LONDON (SEPT. 7) UPI - Stock prices were lower at midday on the London International stock exchange Friday in moderate trading.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index was down 9.3 points to 2,111.6 at midday. The narrower top 30 industrial average was down 7.6 points to 1,632.3 at midday and volume was about 192.8 million shares.

Traders said the FT-SE 100 appeared to show some strength above the 2,100-point level, but investors' hopes for a more bullish market were dampened by Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major's statement denying that Britain would soon enter the Exchange Rate Mechanism of the European Monetary System.

Major dealt a further blow to the market by saying interest rates will not come down soon in Britain. Investors had hoped lower interest rates, needed to give a new lift to the sluggish British economy, would help the stock market.

The real estate and construction sectors remained very weak, following poor financial results released earlier this week by major homebuilding companies, including Wimpey.

Hammersons fell 42 cents to $10.75, Trafalgar House dropped 25 cents to $4.12, and P&O lost 40 cents to $8.6 on negative sentiment ahead of the company's next results to be released Tuesday.

Losers included Associated British Foods, down 30 cents to $7.72, and Lasmo lost 10 cents to $9.31.

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#90250u0676 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, LEBANON (SEPT. 7) UPI - Most of the 16 Shiites imprisoned in Kuwait on terrorism charges and whose fate was linked to that of two U.S. hostages held in Lebanon have been handed over to Iran following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, a Lebanese magazine said Friday.

The Ash Shiraa magazine, which broke the Iran-Contra scandal, said most of the 16 Shiites, members of the Iranian-backed Islamic Jihad, are now in

Iran.

The 16 included two Lebanese, six Iraqis and eight Kuwaitis of Iranian origin. They were serving different sentences in Kuwait for attempting to bomb the U.S. and French embassies and Kuwait's oil refineries.

Imprisonment of the 16 is widely cited as one of the factors triggering a wave of abductions of Westerners in Lebanon.

The Islamic Jihad, a radical group that claimed responsibility for kidnapping U.S. citizens Terry Anderson and Thomas Sutherland, had demanded the release of the 16 prisoners in exchange for freeing the two U.S. captives. The government of Kuwait had rejected these conditions.

Ash Shiraa said some of the 16 escaped on the first day of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, and one showed up in his native Lebanese village of Yater, 10 miles south of Beirut. The remaining 15 were handed over to Iran by Iraqi, the magazine said.

Abdel Aziz Krayem, a Lebanese Shiite who said he was held at the same prison as those whose release Islamic Jihad demanded, told United Press International last month the actual number of Shiites convicted was 17, not 16.

Krayem, who has returned to his home village of Yater, was serving 15-year-term in the Kuwaiti prison for masterminding the bombing of water and electricity companies.

Previous reports said when the Iraqi Army invaded Kuwait, it seized the 16 prisoners and took them to Baghdad.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for September 6: Purchases of 355,814 shares and sales of 490,249 shares including 117,845 shares sold short.

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#90250u0692 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
PARIS (SEPT. 7) UPI - A group of employees for a French armsmaker in Iraq have been rounded up and taken to a Baghdad hotel after vainly seeking refuge at the French embassy, company and diplomatic sources said Friday.

A foreign ministry official in Paris said 16 French nationals with the firm Thomson were taken Thursday to the Melia Mansour Hotel, which

officials said is the point of departure for hostages sent to strategic sites to be used as sheilds against attack by the U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the region.

''This brings to nearly 60 of our compatriots who have been detained at the Melia Mansour or taken to other destinations that we don't know,'' the spokesman said.

A spokesman for Thomson in Paris said 14 of the employees, after learning of the order, sought refuge in the French embassy in Baghdad.

''Our employees were first taken to the Hotel Rashid in Baghdad,'' the company official said. ''On Thursday, Iraqi security forces came to move them to the Melia Mansour, which did not please them because it's the site from which foreigners have been taken to strategic sites. Also, communications, communications are freer at the Rashid.''

The Thomson spokesman said the employees went to the embassy to seek help ''but after discussing the matter, they realized there was no way out because the French embassy like the other Western embassies are not equipped to take them in except for very short periods. So they gave up.''

The company declined to say whether other employees remained in Iraq or Kuwait. Earlier this week, the president of the French aeronautic and space industry association, Henri Martre, estimated that 64 French nationals working in the sector remained trapped in the two nations.

In a related development, French officials said 50 Kuwaiti children who were vacationing in the French Alps when their country was overrun would be admitted to French schools next week.

Several Kuwaiti families had been vacationing in the area of Divonne-les-Bains near the Swiss border, officials said.

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#90250u0704 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 7) UPI - The government reports an unusually high incidence of encephalitis, a brain inflammation, in states from Massachusetts to Texas. Two people have died in Texas. The disease is spread by mosquitoes.

California authorities say Timothy Leary's daughter Susan Martino killed herself this week. She was in a hospital for the criminally insane. In the 1960s, her father, a Harvard lecturer, was an advocate of the drug L-S-D.

A Cincinnati judge has refused to dismiss charges against an art gallery that showed an exhibit by the late photographer, Robert Mapplethorpe. The gallery is charged with obscenity.

A Texas bank is forgiving loan payments for reservists called to active duty. First City Bancorporation says the policy will last at least one year and is good for loans to 100-thousand dollars.

Discouraging news from the Middle East caused oil prices to shoot up again yesterday. U-S crude increased more than one dollar a barrel. Analysts expect another increase today. Gasoline rose nearly three cents a gallon.

Jewish leaders want a United Nations stamp withdrawn. It shows three bearded men carrying sacks near a burning house. The Jewish leaders say the drawing resembles caricatures of Jews of the Hitler era.

The White House says Millie, President Bush's English springer spaniel, has recovered from the degenerative disease, lupus. Millie was sick all summer. A spokeswoman says Millie is able to chase squirrels again.

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HELSINKI, FINLAND (SEPT. 7) UPI - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz would be welcome for more talks with Mikhail Gorbachev only if he brings to Moscow new proposals for solving the Persian Gulf crisis, the Soviet president's spokesman said Friday.

Kremlin Press Secretary Vitaly Ignatenko made it clear there was no meeting of minds Wednesday when Gorbachev and Aziz held talks in the Soviet capital.

Ignatenko told reporters ''each side stuck to its point of view'' about Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait during an oil and border dispute.

Ignatenko said Aziz told Gorbachev he would like to return to Moscow for more discussions after Gorbachev's Sunday summit with President Bush.

But the Soviet spokesman, in Helsinki before Gorbachev's scheduled arrival Saturday evening, indicated Aziz's request was not greeted warmly.

''If he will have something new to say to the Soviet leadership, then such a (return) visit would be useful,'' Ignatenko said.

Following Aziz's meeting with Gorbachev the Iraqi foreign minister acknowledged ''considerable differences'' between the one-time allies, but he praised the Soviet Union, saying: ''Our Soviet friends are attentive.''

Ignatenko said the Soviet Union was ''not trying to discourage our conversation partners'' and ''the Soviet leadership and Mikhail Gorbachev

are using every possibility for meetings on a serious level with those who have been drawn into the (Gulf) conflict.''

But with little agreement to show from Aziz's visit or an earlier trip by the Iraqi deputy prime minister, Ignatenko suggested Moscow's patience is ebbing.

Asked directly whether Gorbachev had agreed to see Aziz again, Ignatenko pointedly responded: ''I told you only that Aziz suggested it would be useful to meet.''

Aziz denied reports he had brought Gorbachev a message from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to deliver to Bush at their Helsinki meeting.

There is widespread speculation Bush will ask Gorbachev to support a Saudi-based U.S. strike against Iraq if Washington feels such direct military action is necessary.

Iraq's aggression against Kuwait has seriously harmed its longstanding alliance with the Soviet Union, which has supported five U.N. resolutions against Baghdad, including the most recent which allows limited use of force to enforce a trade blockade.

At the same time, Moscow has appeared much more willing than Washington or other Western governments to consider Iraq's demand to view the present gulf crisis within a larger context of conflict in the Middle East.

The Soviet Union has long called for an international conference on the Middle East, and Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said earlier this week the current crisis had magnified the need for such a gathering.

Ignatenko, however, said Moscow, despite Baghdad's urgings, does not see a direct link between any end to Iraq's occupation of Kuwait and similar ends to the Israeli presence in the occupied territories or to Syria's military involvement in Lebanon.

But the Kremlin spokesman added: ''Of course, insofar as this (Helsinki summit) is a meeting at the highest level, and the gulf crisis is the most serious problem today, the conversation will not only be within the context of the Persian Gulf. It will probably be a very broad discussion about all positions in the Middle East.''

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BANGKOK, THAILAND (SEPT. 7) UPI - China, in a national day message to Vietnam, has called for the ''early restoration'' of relations with its former communist ally, the official Vietnam News Agency reported Friday.

''China and Vietnam are two close neighbours and their two peoples have had time-honored friendship,'' the agency quoted a message from Chinese President Yang Shangkun as saying.

''We sincerely wish for an early restoration and development of the Sino-Vietnamese relations,'' said the message issued on Vietnam's national day Sunday.

Vietnam has long sought better relations with its giant neighbor, but has been rebuffed until recently.

Relations between the two countries, close allies during the Vietnam War, became increasingly strained at the end of the war and broke down completely after Vietnam's 1978 invasion of Cambodia, which ousted the Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge government.

In 1979, Chinese forces invaded Vietnam in a month-long incursion that was said to be intended to ''teach Vietnam a lesson'' for invading Cambodia.

Disputes have continued over offshore islands and their hilly border, but relations have improved as both leaderships have struggled to maintain communism in the face of setbacks in Eastern Europe.

Cambodia remains a major obstacle to improved relations, but the leaders of the Vietnamese-backed government in Cambodia and the Chinese- supported resistance are gathering in Jakarta this week for a new round of peace talks to discuss a U.N. peace plan.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $386.50, silver base of $4.76 and platinum price of $476.00:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$402.40	404.30
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	206.40	207.40
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	106.00	106.50
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.80	44.00
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	402.40	404.30
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	206.40	207.40
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.50	107.00
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.80	44.00
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	408.90	410.80
China Panda .50 troy oz.	210.70	211.60
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.30	109.80

China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.20	47.40
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.20	28.30
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	402.50	404.30
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	205.70	206.60
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.90	104.40
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.70	44.90
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	401.00	402.90
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	207.50	208.50
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.50	107.00
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.30	45.50
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	400.90	402.70
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	206.10	207.10
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.40	87.80
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.80	46.00
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.30	23.40
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.16	$6.20
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,460	$3,490
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,500	$1,500
Platinum		
Australian Koala	500.00	504.00
Isle of Man Noble	488.00	492.00
Canada Maple Leaf	505.00	509.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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GENEVA (SEPT. 7) UPI - The number of cases of AIDS reported to the World Health Organization rose by nearly 10,000 in August to reach a cumulative total of 283,000 cases, the United Nations agency reported Friday.

The monthly increase, one of the largest recorded in recent years, compared with a monthly figure of 7,327 in July, WHO officials said. They said the sharp increase was due to fresh information received from the Africa, America and Europe.

WHO officials have consistently said that a true figure for victims of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, or AIDS, worldwide is probably twice or even three times the cumulative figure available. One of the problems

of publishing accurate figures is a lack of regular reporting from African countries, WHO said.

In the August figures, Libya reported its first case of AIDS. The WHO has been collecting aids statistics since 1980. At least half the cases reported to it have resulted in death, the agency says.

The United States, which provides monthly statistics, reported 3,427 new cases for a cumulative total of 140,822, accounting for slightly less than 50 percent of the total.

Other countries reporting a high incidence of the disease were Uganda, with 12,444 cases; Zaire, with 11,732 cases; Brazil, which revised its March figure upward to 11,070; Kenya, which provided new figures in August of 9,139; West Germany, with 9,718; and Tanzania, with 7,128, a new figure in August.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 7) UPI - The FBI and police Friday investigated the likelihood that the car-bombing of Teamsters union official Lucien Senese was mob-related.

Senese, 34, Oak Brook, was in critical condition in the burn unit at Loyola Medical Center in Maywood.

A Loyola spokesman said the patient was stable but refused to reveal the extent of his injuries. Police said Senese was burned over 50 percent of his body when transferred to Loyola late Thursday.

Senese's car exploded on a West Side street Thursday, the bomb apparently wired to his ignition.

Senese, the secretary-treasurer of Local 703, was in line to assume the local presidency vacated by his father, Dominic, who was ordered by a federal judge to stay out of union affairs because of suspected mob ties.

''It appears to be a gangland or a mob-style assassination attempt,'' FBI spokesman Bob Long said.

''It could very well be tied to someone trying to wrest control of the union away from the Seneses,'' said John Jemilo, head of the Chicago Crime Commission. ''It's reasonable to assume that it may be some other members within organized crime.''

The victim's brother, Joseph, is an organizer for Local 703 and it was speculated he would have taken over the secretary-treasurer post once his

brother assumed the presidency.

Long said the FBI is investigating the possibility the car bombing may be linked to a failed 1988 assassination attempt against Dominic Senese, who survived a shotgun blast to the face. Long said suspects from the 1988 incident, which remains unsolved, would be questioned about Thursday's bombing.

The car bomb destroyed the rear of Senese's white Buick. Senese, his clothing aflame, managed to get out of the car and run down the street, stripping the burning clothing from his body as he went. The flames were smothered by two neighbors who covered him with blankets and a jacket.

Police described the bomb as one of ''high-order velocity'' and very powerful.

A young woman was injured by flying debris and treated at the University of Illinois Hospital for two puncture wounds. A man was rescued from the second floor of a nearby building that caught fire after the blast.

The car was registered to Produce Carrier Local 703 and the blast sent glass, metal and debris flying 150 feet, police said. Windows of a nearby vehicle were shattered.

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PASADENA, TX (SEPT. 7) UPI - The charred remains of Gilley's Club, the sprawling honky-tonk that was the Mecca of the ''Urban Cowboy'' fad in 1980, will be torn down within 30 days.

The Pasadena Building and Standards Commission ordered the remnants of the arson-gutted club demolished after deeming it unsafe.

''The building is unsafe because of the damage,'' said Fire Marshal Bill Yearout. ''It's a danger to the community.''

A 16-year-old boy has been charged with setting a July 5 fire at the club. Since then, curious fans have slipped past doors posted with ''Dangerous Building'' signs and gathered charred souvenirs of the once- bustling honky-tonk.

It has not been decided who will pay for the demolition.

The 60,000-square-foot club, complete with a mechanical bull and rodeo arena, has been embroiled in a legal dispute between singer Mickey Gilley and his former partner, Sherwood Cryer.

Gilley sued Cryer in 1987, claiming the businessman had cheated him out of assets earned by the corporation they had formed. A jury awarded Gilley a $17 million judgment now under appeal.

Whether Gilley pays for the demolition is contingent on a judge turning the title of the property over to the singer Monday, said David Sacks, Gilley's attorney.

''The demolition will be set once the judge places the property in their hands,'' Sacks said Thursday. He predicted demolition work on the club could begin next week.

Gilley has not been available for comment.

Cryer, who had hoped to reopen the club, said he was disappointed with the commission's order to raze the building.

''If I had won the appeal, I would have tried to rebuild ... and reopen the club again,'' he said. ''Why the city of Pasadena is destroying a tourist attraction that's been there for many years, I don't know.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - The U.S. civilian jobless rate climbed to 5.6 percent in August - the highest level in two years - as more factory and construction workers lost their jobs, the Labor Department said Friday.

''It's not particularly good news for the working guy,'' economist Cynthia Latta said at the forecasting firm DRI/McGraw-Hill in Lexington, Mass. ''Jobs are disappearing.''

Many analysts had expected the jobless rate to hold steady at July's 5.5 percent after jumping from 5.2 percent in June.

''Employment continued to be weak in August and unemployment rose slightly '' the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said.

''Job declines occurred throughout the goods-producing sector,'' the report said. ''These losses were only partly offset by small gains in the service-producing sector.''

Total employment edged down 75,000 in August over July as the Census Bureau trimmed its ranks of temporary workers. A government spokesman said the 5.6 percent jobless rate was the highest since a 5.6 percent showing in August 1988.

''The unemployment numbers are adjusting to the slow economic growth that

has been occurring,'' said Robert Dederick, chief economist at Northern Trust in Chicago. ''A creep-ahead economy isn't one where employment goes higher.''

Dederick predicted the civilian jobless rate could near 6 percent by December and that inflation could reach 5.5 percent to 6 percent on higher energy prices in the wake of Iraq's conquest of Kuwait's oil fields.

''It's going to be the worst of both worlds,'' he said.

The data in the report was adjusted to reflect seasonal factors.

The Labor Department said the number of manufacturing jobs declined about 45,000 last month, with the electronic equipment and transportation equipment industries being the hardest hit.

''Since reaching a post-recession peak in January 1989, the number of factory jobs has declined 455,000,'' the report said.

Latta warned more bad news lies ahead.

''Manufacturing is suffering a double-whammy,'' she said. ''Increases in productivity eliminate the need for workers and consumer spending is sluggish.''

Employment in the construction industry, meanwhile, continued its recent slide, dropping by about 40,000 jobs in August, for a three-month loss of nearly 100,000 jobs.

Mining, which had added 60,000 jobs since last July, lost 7,000 in August.

In the service sector of the economy most of the job increase was in health services, which has been a strong performer for the past 12 months, the government said.

Counting military personnel, August's total unemployment stood at 5.5 percent vs. 5.4 percent in July.

The Labor Department said the average weekly hours of work for private businesses held steady in August at 34.5 hours, but increased to 41 hours from 40.9 hours for the manufacturing sector, while manufacturing overtime edged up to 3.9 hours from 3.8 hours.

In the public sector, state and local government's added about 60,000 jobs in August, but overall government employment fell by 65,000 jobs with the Census Bureau layoffs.

The unemployment rate for teenagers increased to 16.7 percent in August

from 16.3 percent, while the jobless rate for blacks shot up to 11.8 percent in August from 11.3 percent in July. But the rate for Hispanics inched down to 7.8 percent last month from 7.9 percent.

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#90250u0802 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 7) UPI - An airlift of Americans stranded in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait is moving along. A chartered Iraqi Airways jet carrying 120 U-S women and children arrived in Baghdad today from Kuwait, en route to the Jordanian capital. Diplomats in the region say Iraqi authorities are processing the Americans' papers before allowing the plane ''to continue on its journey to freedom.'' .

President Bush leaves Washington tonight for Finland, where he's to meet with Soviet President Gorbachev on Sunday. The two men are expected to use the hastily arranged Helsinki summit to demonstrate super-power unity on the Persian Gulf crisis. Finland's president says the sudden summit ''has all the makings of a success.'' .

Before leaving for Finland, Bush plans to sit in on the start of a weekend budget summit between White and congressional negotiators. Both sides agree on the size of the deficit cut for next year, but still have NOT agreed on the specifics needed to achieve it. Bush says ''time is running out.''

The Washington Post says a Bush administration task force has endorsed a scientific panel's recommendation for saving the northern spotted owl from extinction. But if the recommendation is followed, it could cost up to 20-thousand timber jobs in the Pacific Northwest. President Bush could reject the plan.

Cambodia's Prime Minister Hun Sen has thrown another obstacle in the way of Cambodian peace talks set to start in Jakarta, Indonesia. Hun Sen says he woN'T participate if resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk is NOT at the negotiating table. Sihanouk said yesterday he would come to Jakarta but would NOT be present at the talks.

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#90250u0804 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - President Bush expressed optimism Friday at the resumption of White House-congressional talks on how to make the tough choices for cutting costs, raising revenues and reducing the multibillion-dollar deficit.

''I think there is a new spirit of optimism that we can get an afriement. It's going to take compromise, but I want to thank the leaders on both

sides of the aisle for what I understand is a good mood now towards getting final agreement,'' Bush said.

Bush spent less than 30 minutes a Andrews Air Force Base in suburban Maryland to open the weekend budget talks. He was leaving later in the day for a meeting in Helsinki, Finland, with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

Bush noted ''big differences remain'' between the administration and Congress on budget positions, but he said he would tell the congressional leaders ''that I remain committed to a budget agreement.''

He reaffirmed the administration's goals of $50 billion in savings next year and $500 billion over five years.

''Our people are, I'd say, somewhat optimistic that this can be hammered out in a very short period of time, and again, the congressmen have committed to staying with this and I think that's good,'' Bush said.

Negotiators have agreed on the size of the deficit cut they want to reach next year, but during their weekend meeting they face hard choices about how to achieve that end.

Under the Gramm-Rudman balanced-budget law, failure to produce an accord on the deficit by Oct. 1 would trigger nearly $105 billion in automatic spending cuts for the coming year, to be split between defense and domestic programs.

The law exempts certain programs from such cuts, such as Social Security and most entitlement programs for the poor. Reductions in Medicare benefits cannot exceed 2 percent and Bush has exempted military personnel.

Nevertheless, federal agencies have warned of massive disruptions in basic functions of the government, as well as widespread furloughs of federal employees, should the automatic cuts take effect.

Congressional leaders and administration officials have virtually ruled out the possibility of trimming the deficit by $105 billion next year.

Instead, a consensus has emerged among the budget negotiators to try to cut the deficit by $50 billion in fiscal 1991, which begins Oct. 1, and by $500 billion over the next five years.

Because these goals fall short of the current Gramm-Rudman targets, the law would have to be changed to accommodate a new budget-balancing timetable. The White House budget office estimates the federal deficit at $168.8 billion, which under Gramm-Rudman must be reduced to $64 billion in fiscal 1991.

Democratic leaders Thursday reaffirmed their commitment to the $50-billion-$500-billion goal, but they scrambled throughout the day to come up with their own formula for reaching those targets.

''The hope is that both sides will have plans to present,'' said House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri, who is chairman of the talks.

A $50 billion deficit cut is still twice the size of the largest previous one-year deficit reduction - a cut of $25 billion achieved in late 1987 following the stock market crash.

There were reports in recent weeks that Democrats might seek a smaller first-year reduction because of the flagging economy and new costs associated with the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

''I was happy to see the Democrats have committed themselves to going back to the original game plan,'' House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois told reporters following a GOP budget session Thursday.

The summiteers have set Monday as their unofficial deadline for reaching a settlement, which would likely combine deep cuts in spending with tax increases.

They planned to remain cloistered at Andrews for the entire weekend - some even spending the night on the base - away from reporters, lobbyists and other distractions on Capitol Hill.

Both sides expressed determination to emerge from the summit with an accord that would win broad support in Congress and the president's approval.

''We are prepared to do what it takes, whatever it takes, to reach an agreement,'' Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine said Thursday.

''If we don't get a budget agreement, we're in real trouble,'' said Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas.

Key elements of a budget plan the administration had been contemplating were leaked to reporters in late July by Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., a budget negotiator.

Among those were a $10,000 cap on the amount of state and local taxes that could be claimed as a federal income tax deduction, a revenue-raising measure aimed primarily at higher-income brackets, and a $7.2 billion increase in alcohol taxes.

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#90250u0811 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 7) UPI - Vietnam has agreed to return 20 sets of remains believed to be those of American service personnel listed as missing in action since the Vietnam War. A U-S Embassy official in Thailand says the remains will be returned next Thursday. He says it's the largest return of supposed M-I-A remains since June 1989.

In Prague, Czecholslovakia, a high-ranking panel of Roman Catholic and Jewish representatives condemned anti-Semitism as ''a sin against God and humanity.'' The panel yesterday called for active efforts by the Catholic hierarchy to oppose anti-Semitism, which has been on the rise in Eastern Europe.

A judge in Cincinnati refused to dismiss state obscenity charges against an arts center and its director for displaying photos by the late Robert Mapplethorpe. The judge also said the jury must focus on the seven most explicit pictures in the exhibit. The trial is to begin September 24th.

Strong thunderstorms that damaged houses and flooded streets in the Midwest moved eastward today, prompting flood and storm warnings in Pennsylvania and New York. A large area of storms continued in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana, with thousands of people reported without electricity. Hot weather remained in the South.

The Coast Guard says nearly one-Million gallons of fuel oil that leaked from a storage tank this week at Perth Amboy, New Jersey, has been contained. Authorities also say about five-thousand gallons oil that spilled into the Arthur Kill waterway between New York and New Jersey poses NO threat to wildlife.

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#90250u0821 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 7) UPI - Rumors Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had been ousted in a coup caused oil markets to open sharply lower Friday, but prices rebounded in early morning trading as the rumors were discounted.

"Rumors that popped up on the Tokyo Stock Exchange resulted in a morning of self-doubt on oil markets, but the buyers are coming out again," said Peter Gignoux of Shearson Lehman Hutton's London office.

"Prices moved down on light volume into a vacuum and are now coming back on reasonable volume," the trader said. "The markets needed a breather. They've had the breather and its stimulated some buying," he added.

Crude oil prices on the New York Mercantile Exchange, the world's largest oil trading exchange, have risen $5.51 a barrel - or 21.2 percent - over the previous five trading sessions on fears of a war breaking out in the Persian Gulf crisis triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

But as a result of the coup rumors and their effect on earlier trading on overseas markets, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery opened the Merc Friday at $30.50 a barrel, down 93 cents from Thursday's close. It had moved back up to $30.67 a barrel in midmorning trading.

Unleaded gasoline for October delivery opened down 2.32 cents a gallon at 92.75 cents a gallon, but by midmorning had rebounded 1.65 cents to 94.40 cents a gallon.

October home heating oil started the day down 2.44 cents at 85.80 cents a gallon, but had recovered to 86.10 cents a gallon by mid-morning.

On the European spot market, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped primarily to the Far East - was down 92 cents at $26.88 a barrel. Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent had fallen $1.50 to $30.15 a barrel. On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, where crude is bought and sold to the highest bidder, prompt-delivery WTI had lost 75 cents to $30.70 a barrel.

In the Gulf, matters were relatively quiet. A chartered Iraqi Airways airliner carrying 120 U.S. women and children stranded in Kuwait arrived in Baghdad en route to the Jordanian capital Amman, diplomats in the region said.

"We can confirm that about 120 American women and children arrived in Baghdad from Kuwait today," one diplomat said. "We hope they will then go on to Amman."

In Saudi Arabia, King Fahd agreed during a meeting with Secretary of State James Baker to help pay for much of the expense of sending tens of thousands of U.S. troops to the kingdom, an operation expected to cost $6 billion by the end of the year. Neither Saudi nor U.S. officials would say exactly how much Saudi Arabia, a chief supplier of oil to the United States, would contribute.

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HELSINKI, FINLAND (SEPT. 7) UPI - The following is the provisional timetable for the Bush-Gorbachev summit in Helsinki, Finland, as released by Finland's Foreign Ministry:

Saturday, Sept. 8

11:10 a.m. (4 a.m. EDT) - President Bush and Barbara Bush arrive in Helsinki aboard Air Force One. Press statement issued by Bush on arrival.

11:55 a.m. (4:55 a.m. EDT) - Bush to pay courtesy visit to Finnish President Mauno Koivisto at Presidential Palace in Helsinki.

12:10 p.m. (5:10 a.m. EDT) - Bush and Barbara Bush lunch with Koivisto.

6:20 p.m. (11:20 a.m. EDT) - Secretary of State James Baker arrives in Helsinki.

6:40 p.m. (11:40 a.m. EDT) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, Raisa Gorbachev and Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze arrive in Helsinki aboard special Soviet flight.

8 p.m. (1 p.m. EDT) - Gorbachev pays courtesy visit to Koivisto.

8:30 p.m. (1:30 p.m. EDT) - Koivisto hosts dinner for Gorbachevs.

Sunday, Sept. 9

10:00 a.m. (1:00 a.m. EDT) - Official Bush-Gorbachev summit begins at Finland's Presidential Palace.

1 p.m. (6 a.m. EDT) - Bush, Gorbachev and Koivisto lunch together.

2 p.m. (7 a.m. EDT) - Bush-Gorbachev summit continues.

5:30 p.m. (10:30 a.m. EDT) - Joint Bush-Gorbachev news conference.

7:35 p.m. (12:35 p.m. EDT) - Bush departs Helsinki for Washington on Air Force One.

Monday, Sept, 10

8:30 a.m. (1:30 a.m. EDT) - Baker departs Helsinki.

10 a.m. (3 a.m. EDT) - Gorbachev and Shevardnadze depart Helsinki for Moscow on special Soviet flight.

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TAIF, SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 7) UPI - Iraqi forces have stolen about $400 million worth of gold and $1 billion in banknotes from occupied Kuwait's central bank, but the looting will not benefit Baghdad because of the U.N.

embargo, senior Kuwaiti officials said Friday.

''The gold, the value to them is considerably less than its face value,'' said Kuwaiti Finance Minister Ali Khalifa Sabah said of the lost $400 million in gold. ''If they sell it, from where are they going to get the cash? The payments for it will be forfeit.''

During a briefing after Secretary of State James Baker met with exiled Kuwaiti officials, Sabah and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al Ahmed al Sabah provided reporters with details of financial conditions and losses as a result of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. The government- in-exile has made the Saudi resort town of Taif its headquarters.

In assessing the financial situation, the finance minister said the $1 billion in banknotes were worthless to Iraq. Soon after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, Baghdad revalued the Kuwaiti dinar to the Iraqi dinar, cutting it to one-twelfth of its value.

He also said the central bank, which some reports indicate may have been mined, did not have large amounts of foreign currency and both officials said they were not aware of any other large-scale assets left in the kingdom, such as jewels or other valuables.

''Our assets are not frozen in the same sense that the Iraqi assets are,'' the foreign minister told reporters. ''In the case of Iraq, they were frozen as a punishment and as an inducement for them (to negotiate).

''In the case of Kuwait, they were frozen only to protect them against the Iraqi occupiers,'' al Sabah said. ''However, various governments all over the world are giving us full management and access to these assets.''

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - Scientists are among those upset by the recent setbacks in the space shuttle program. Stanley Rosen of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics says it was a policy mistake to depend totally on the shuttle. Physics professor Robert Park said- ''The shuttle simply hasN'T served its purpose.'' John Pike, a space analyst, says the latest delay may hurt the space agency's chances of getting its 15-BILLION-dollar budget approved.

A parole hearing was held yesterday in Joliet, Illinois, for Richard Speck convicted of killing eight student nurses in Chicago in 1966. A classmate and relatives pleaded with the board NOT to grant a parole. One relative said- ''The pain and anguish caused by this man is more than I can express.'' The board also received more than 21-thousand letters urging against parole. It will rule Monday.

Federal health officials warn that hepatitis B can be spread by equipment used to take blood samples from fingers. The Centers for Disease Control says the spring-operated devices contain a platform that comes in contact with the skin. These need to be replaced after each use along with the lancets that actually prick the finger.

Massachusetts Lieutenant Governor Evelyn Murphy is making statements about dealing with the state's fiscal crisis while Governor Michael Dukakis is away. Dukakis left last night for Europe. But he said if Murphy does anything to upset his administration's plans, he will fly back. Murphy is one of three candidates in the race to replace Dukakis, but is lagging in the polls.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.00-83.00 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 132.00-137.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $250.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50- 4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $110.00-$111.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $478.50-$487.00; dealer- approx., $481.00-$488.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 277.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 7) UPI - Overnight rain and the prospect of more rain during the weekend pressured grain and soybean futures.

Midmorning prices were lower on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Bearish production estimates from a private crop analyst along with positioning ahead of the weekend contributed to the losses in corn and soybeans.

The five-day weather outlook called for above-normal rainfall in the Corn Belt and normal amounts of precipitation in the southern states. Rainfall amounts overnight generally were less than one inch.

The corn and soybean production figures from Sparks Commodities are higher than the Agriculture Department estimated in August. The September report from the USDA will be released next Wednesday.

Wheat prices also were lower on profit-taking, along with the lack of export sales.

Basis levels were mostly lower.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.40 off 3; Dec 2.34 3/4 off 3; Mar 2.43 3/4 off 2 3/4.

Soybeans Sep 6.11 1/2 off 5 3/4; Nov 6.26 off 5 3/4; Jan 6.39 1/2 off 5 1/2; Mar 6.52 1/2 off 6 1/4.

Wheat Sep 2.63 1/4 off 2 1/2; Dec 2.79 1/4 off 3 1/4; Mar 2.91 1/2 off 2 3/4.

Oats Sep 1.09 1/2 off 1 3/4; Dec 1.19 1/4 off 2 1/4; Mar 1.30 3/4 off 2 1/4.

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#90250u0906 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - The 12-ounce restriction on mail sent to U.S. servicemen and women in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf region has been lifted, defense officials announced Friday.

''The military postal support system in Saudi Arabia and sufficient airlift capabilities are now in place to handle the increased volume of mail,'' the U.S. Central Command said in a statement released at the Pentagon.

''All classes of mail up to the maximum weights allowed will now be accepted,'' it said. ''Currently, it is taking an average of seven days for first-class mail to reach Saudi Arabia.''

Mail to particular servicemen, identified by name, rank and service number should be sent directly to the appropriate Army Post Office (APO) or Fleet Post Office (FPO) number, obtainable from the headquarters of specific units.

If the public wishes to send mail to U.S. servicemen in general, not to any one particular person by name, the following addresses have been established.

For members of the Army, Air Force and Marines in Saudi Arabia, send to:

Any servicemember Operation Desert Shield APO New York 09848-0006

For members of the Navy and Marines aboard ships in the region, send to:

Any servicemember Operation Desert Shield FPO New York 09866-0006

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#90250u0914 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (SEPT. 7) UPI - British Defense Secretary Tom King opened a second day of emergency debate in the House of Commons Friday by announcing more British troops will be deployed to join the U.S.-led multinational force in the Persian Gulf.

''We do believe that some additional forces will be needed and their composition is under consideration,'' King said, deferring questions on the number and type of additional troops being sent in response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and subsequent occupiation of Kuwait.

Primd Ainister Margaret Thatcher had indicated more troops would be deployed on the opening day of Parliament's first extraordinary debate

since Argentina invaded the Falkland Islands in 1982.

Left-wing opponents of Britain's involvement in the gulf have won a commitment from the Commons for a vote at the conclusion of the debate. They planned to call for an assurance that Britain will not go to war without specific authorization from the U.N. Security Council.

King said the British naval and air force presence in the gulf already is costing the country $1.89 million a day. In addition to the operating cost the tab for deploying the 5,000 troops and their equipment was $142 million.

The deployment of reinforcements is influenced by a variety of factors, he said.

''We are considering this matter, but against the background of some of the figures that I have already given to the House, against the possible threat that still exists, against the overall imperative of insuring that there is no further aggression, and that the defensive shield of Saudi Arabia and of the neighboring gulf states is insured, and to insure that the effective action that we are taking through the United Nations is successful,'' King said.

Labor's defense spokesman MP Martin O'Neill said the gulf conflict was potentially the most serious crisis since World War II.

''Our troops are literally going to have to sweat it out,'' O'Neill said. ''It will be a game of nerves. We will have to wait until Saddam attacks or is replaced. It will be a waiting game.''

About 250 British women and children arrived at London's Gatwick Airport from the gulf early Friday, the biggest group to get out since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait five weeks ago. Aboard the British Airways jumbo jet were 78 children and 20 babies. Most of them were in the bus convoy that left Kuwait for Baghdad Tuesday.

They were relieved to be home but also expressed some anger at Thatcher's hard-line attacks on Saddam.

''Margaret Thatcher's going on and on about it. Let those women go before she had a go at Suddam. We were waiting for him to change his mind,'' said Alison Bouhamed. About 2,000 Britons remain in Kuwait.

Other women told of hiding in cupboards to avoid being found by Iraqi troops.

The Foreign Office said another 140 to 150 Britons were in Baghdad applying for exit visas.

British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd planned to fly to Tokyo Saturday to discuss the gulf conflict with his counterpart and the prime minister. He was expected to ask Japan to come up with more financial support for the Western military effort than the $1 billion Tokyo already has promised.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 7) UPI - Bulk selling prices reported by USDA:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 57-63.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 7) UPI - Alaska Airlines and Horizon Air will boost ticket prices 4.7 percent Oct. 1, putting Alaska Air Group out front in the industry's second round of fare hikes since the Persian Gulf crisis began.

But the fare increasd S the second in a month for Alaska - is a calculated gamble that could also place the Seattle-based regional carrier in a difficult position.

Like other airlines, Alaska is being hammerred by the soaring cost of jet fuel and desperately needs to offset that cost. Fuel prices have escalated 47 percent since July 1, up about 34 cents a gallon. Alaska's airplanes burn about 18 million gallons of fuel monthly, which means Alaska is taking a $6 million-a-month hit from increased fuel costs.

For the second quarter, Alaska's latest reporting period, the company earned a profit of about $9.6 million.

But Alaska is also more vulnerable than some of its rivals in the fierce battle for the lucrative West Coast air corridor between Seattle and Mexico.

As a regional carrier, it can't spread out the impact of fare increases the way big national airlines like United, American and Delta can. So boosting prices could cost Alaska a critical market share and prove even more damaging than swallowing what could be a temporary burden of rising jet fuel costs.

United and Alaska - along with most of the rest of the domestic airlines in the United States - boosted fares by 5.3 percent just last week, citing the increase in jet fuel costs. With its second boost, however, Alaska is ahead of the pack and is warily looking over its shoulder to see what the others will do.

Ray Vingo, Alaska's vice president for finance, said Thursday that if other carriers don't follow Alaska's lead, Alaska will scuttle its plans.

''We probably would not stay out there for more than a week (from now) if we don't see some action,'' Vingo said.

Last month, Alaska and several other carriers proposed 10 percent fare hikes to cover fuel costs. But when all of its competitors didn't go along Alaska pulled back to a 5.3 percent increase.

But Vingo said Alaska expects that other airlines will increase their fares soon. A 4.7 percent fare increase would boost the cost of Alaska's round-trip ticket between Seattle and Los Angeles by about $15 to $314, Vingo said.

Bill Whitlow, an analyst with Dain, Bosworth Inc. in Seattle, said the impact of fuel increases has already caused him to scale back his 1990 earnings projection for Alaska.

''The magnitude of a $6 million-a-month cost increase on a company this size is pretty severe,'' Whitlow said.

The impact of jet fuel costs hits Alaska especially hard because the company counts heavily on summer traffic to maintain its strong annual earnings. Last year, Whitlow said, Alaska registered half of its earnings during the third quarter from July to September.

''I think Alaska is really hurting and nobody else will step forward to propose raising fares again,'' Whitlow said.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and

mediums 63-66.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - Aides are putting on the finishing touches before this weekend's mini-summit in Finland. The key participants show up tomorrow. The actual meetings between President Bush and President Gorbachev take place on Sunday. The two are expected to discuss everything from the Soviet economy to the Persian Gulf crisis during the five hours they are together. Both are then expected to head back home.

Treasury Secretay Brady is on a round-the-world fund-raising trip soliciting BILLIONS of dollars to sustain the defense against Iraq's Saddam Hussein. Brady described as successful his talks with Japanese Prime Minister Kaifu in Tokyo. Brady met earlier in the day with South Korean President Roh in Seoul . A Japanese t-v station reported Brady asked Tokyo for two- BILLION dollars in addition to the one-BILLION Japan pledged last week.

A drop of 45-thousand manufacturing jobs and 40-thousand in the construction industry contributed to increased unemployment nation-wide last month. The Labor Department reading for August shows civilian unemployment of five-point-six percent, the highest since August 1988. The figure comes out to five-point-five percent if military personnel are included.

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OMAHA (SEPT. 7) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves None.

Hogs 1,500; butchers 50 cents lower; No 1-3 220-250 lbs. 53.50- 54.00, No 1-2 210-230 lbs. 51.50-53.00, No 2-3 250-280 lbs. 52.00-53.00; sows under 500 lbs. steady; over 500 lbs. $2.50 to $3.00 lower; No 1-3 350-500 lbs. 44.00-44.50, No 2-3 500-650 lbs. 47.00-47.50.

Sheep None.

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#90250u0997 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 7) UPI - One woman is dead and another is missing after powerful winds shoved a sail boat into the breakwall near Edgewater Park in Cleveland, Ohio. The Coast Guard reports four people survived the tragedy

after 57- mile-an-hour winds whipped up powerful waves on Lake Erie. The storms were among those that lashed the Midwest overnight, prompting flood and storm warnings in Pennsylvania and New York.

Official Rangoon radio says the military junta in Burma arrested two acting leaders and four members of a political party that swept elections last May. General Saw Maung heads a military group that refuses to yield power to the newly elected legislature. Maung says the arrests are designed to prevent political unrest. But diplomats in Rangoon say the arrest of the elderly party moderates in the National League of Democracy is likely to set off protests.

The New York Post Newspaper Guild voted to reject a management demand for a 30 percent pay cut and the loss of fringe benefits. Union leaders meet today to decide how to respond to a plan by the publisher to meet the paper's self-imposed deadline next week for cutting costs or folding. Peter Kalikow bought the New York Post in 1988 from media chieftain Rupert Murdoch for 37-Million dollars after unions agreed to substantial concessions.

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#90250u1123 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - Hoping to run faster and look better despite the risk of serious side-effects, more than a quarter of a million American teenagers have used muscle-building anabolic steroids, a reports said Friday.

About 4.7 percent of boys and 1.3 percent of girls from the 1989 high school graduating class used the drugs, according to a report released by the inspector general's office of the Department of Health and Human Services. That means some 262,000 teenagers - about 3 percent of that graduating class - experimented with or are still using steroids.

The study, which recommended that HHS develop a national education program to combat steroid use and urged further research into the matter, seemed to confirm earlier reports indicating widespread and increasing use of steroids by American youngsters.

Steroids, legal only if used with a doctor's prescription, are a synthetic derivative of the male hormone testosterone and are used to promote the growth of muscle bulk, strength and stamina.

Among the serious side-effects linked to steroids are: heart and liver disease, increased aggressiveness, hair loss, shrinkage of the testicles and sterility in men and the growth of facial and body hair and lowered voices in women.

The prime motivations for using steroids is improving physical appearance and improving sports ability, according to a second study that involved interviews of 72 users. A compelling desire among more than half the users surveyed was ''to be happier or like themselves better.''

However, 6 percent of the users said they were ''influenced or motivated'' to use steroids by their coaches.

HHS Secretary Louis Sullivan said the reports ''contain disturbing findings'' and said the government is ''determined to do our part to make the dangers known and to shut down the illegal steroid market.''

''I am very concerned that some adults who are charged with our young people's welfare might be passively accepting or even tacitly approving the use of these dangerous drugs,'' Sullivan said. ''Because of the insidious, short-term appeal of these drugs, it is essential that our teachers, coaches and others in contact with young athletes make extra efforts to present the very real health hazards that steroids hold.''

Legislation before Congress would stiffen penalties for distribution and use of steroids and would hold coaches and trainers criminally responsible for encouraging the use of the drugs.

The study used data from the National Institute on Drug Abuse and a survey of current and former users.

It concluded that the use of steroids is on the increase among both high school and junior high students and that users are starting earlier than ever. Fifty-three percent of users surveyed reported starting by age 16, with 85 percent starting by age 17. Experts say adolescents are more susceptible to health risks from steroids, as well as dramatic mood shifts attributed to the drug.

Users of the drugs to not seem to fall into a typical ''drug subculture,'' according to the report, quoting one researcher as saying, ''By looking at them, you wouldn't know they were steroid users; in fact, if I didn't know they look like the kind of guys I'd like my daughter to date.''

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CAIRO, Egypt (SEPT. 7) UPI - Egypt's economy, suffering under the weight of massive debt, faces its worst labor force troubles with the return of thousands of unemployed, destitute workers fleeing Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

More than 1 million Egyptians - possibly 1.7 million by some estimates - were in the two countries when Iraqi troops rolled across the Kuwaiti

border early Aug. 2. Slowly, thousands of them have made their way home through severe conditions lacking adequate food, water and accommodations.

They face more troubles back in Egypt despite words of encouragement from business and government officials.

''If 2 million Egyptians will be back again we are ready to take them,'' said Mohammed el Sayed, director-general of the Federation of Egyptian Chambers of Commerce.

But asked how severe a crisis Egypt faced, el Sayed, director- general since 1975 and a former Ministry of Finance advisor, acknowledged ''this is the most serious one concerning the labor force.''

The Persian Gulf crisis hit an Egypt with a weak economy that had been growing steadily worse for the last four to five years.

A study undertaken before the crisis by the International Labor Organization in Geneva indicated the labor situation in Egypt was ''extremely bad and likely to get worse,'' said Alan Richards, a professor of economics at American University in Cairo.

For unemployment to remain at its current level of roughly 10 percent during the next 10 years, 6 million new jobs would have to be created, Richards said. The return of 1 million unemployed, mostly poor rural laborers would immediately hit another estimated 5 to 6 million relatives of the workers, not even taking in the ripple effect on the economy, he said.

Boutros Ghali, state minister for foreign affairs, recently estimated Egypt's losses from the gulf crisis would be at $1.9 billion a year. The losses comprised roughly $1 billion upwards in remittances by Egyptians returning from Kuwait and Iraq, $500 million in declined tourism revenues and a $400 million drop in Suez Canal revenues.

But other estimates indicate more than $2.2 billion annual losses in foreign currency earnings, in addition to the cost to re-employ workers.

Egypt's four government banks also have incurred considerable losses because of the government's decision to allow Kuwaitis and Egyptians working in Kuwait to exchange their Kuwaiti dinars. The value of the dinar dropped from about 10 Egyptian pounds to less than one pound.

At the same time, Egypt faces talks with the International Monetary Fund on its foreign debts, which stand at $50 billion - the highest in the Third World in proportion to the size of the country's economic output. Conventional wisdom maintains the foreign debt is equal to the total capital owned by Egyptians abroad but nobody knows for sure.

The IMF dispatched a senior official to Egypt on an urgent mission in connection with an agreement under negotiations with President Hosni Mubarak's government. IMF sources told Egypt's Middle East News Agency Friday an important round of talks is expected between Egypt and the organization Sept. 20 in the United States.

The agreement would enable Egypt to reschedule its debts and therefore ask for the aid of creditor countries and international organizations to help more finance development projects.

Egypt consistently has had trouble with attempting to gain more financial assistance, but its leading role in the fight against Saddam Hussein's Iraq has provided it with political collateral.

The United States also has indicated its willingness to forgive $7.1 million worth of debts and could provide more leverage in urging a favorable IMF agreement for Egypt.

''In this complicated game of musical chairs, the chairs have been rearranged slightly for the Egyptians and the Americans are rearranging the chairs for them,'' Richards said.

Fears that economic troubles could spark political turmoil also have been played down by Western diplomats monitoring Egypt.

''I see no sign that people in the streets are complaining of financial hardship,'' said one Western diplomat based in Cairo. ''There is the general expectation by the people they will be helped by the government. There is a general expectation by the government they will be helped by their friends.''

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - Diplomats report 16 workers for a French armsmaker in Iraq were rounded up and taken to a Baghdad hotel after some tried in vain to seek refuge in the French embassy. Paris officials say employees of the firm Thomson were taken to a hotel which officials say has been a point of departure for hostages sent to sites to be used as shields against attack by U-S-led forces in the region.

European Community ministers are in Rome drawing up financial aid packages for nation's hit hard by the U-N embargo against Iraq. An Italian Foreign Ministry spokesman says the 12 E-C nations will NOT contribute to the costs of the U-S military operation in Saudi Arabia, as President Bush requested. E-C ministers are drafting aid plans for Jordan, Egypt, Turkey and possibly Yugoslavia.

President Bush departs for Helsinki, Finland, this evening for an emergency weekend summit on the Persian Gulf crisis with Soviet President Gorbachev. The superpower leaders are expected to explore ways in their five-hour meeting Sunday to further turn the economic and psychological screws on the defiant Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

President Bush has NOT lost sight of federal budget woes, despite the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush plans to sit in on the first 90 minutes of a marathon budget summit that begins today at Andrews Air Force Base near the nation's capital. White House and congressional negotiators face tough choices on specific cuts and tax hikes to cut federal red ink.

The nation's unemployment rate last month climbed to the highest level in two years- five-point-six percent- as factory and construction workers lost jobs. Some economists expected the rate to hold steady at five-point-five percent. Construction jobs fell by 40-thousand in August, and 45-thousand factory jobs were cut.

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#90250u1148 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 7) UPI - South African President de Klerk will be in Washington for talks with President Bush September 24th. The invitation came after South Africa began a series of reform moves in February. This is the first visit by a South African president to the U-S in 40 years of apartheid rule.

Florida officials expect to file new charges against the man who is the lead suspect in last week's slayings of five University of Florida students. Edward Humphrey remains jailed on unrelated charges in an attack on his grandmother and a 1988 assault. Police are still investigating the students' deaths.

Thousands of students have officially begun their school year following settlement of teacher strikes in California, Michigan and Illinois. But 93-thousand school children are still home today because of other walkouts across the country. At least 56-hundred teachers are involved.

A Lebanese magazine reports Shiite Moslems jailed in Kuwait on terrorism charges were handed over to Iran after Iraq invaded Kuwait. The fate of the terrorists was linked to that of two U-S hostages in Lebanon. The magazine, which broke the Iran-Contra scandal, says the 16 members of Islamic Jihad are now in Iran.

The Coast Guard now reports two women died and a third is still missing after savage winds snapped the mast of a sailboat in Lake Erie off Cleveland, Ohio, last night. Three men aboard the boat were released from

a hospital after treatment for minor injuries.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - Summer vacation ended Friday for thousands of students in California, Michigan and Illinois, but new teacher strikes loomed in other areas as walkouts affecting 5,200 educators and 84,000 students continued nationwide.

Classes resumed Friday in Michigan's Engadine school district and the Mount Zion district in Illinois, while students in the Darien district outside Chicago ended their vacation on Thursday.

Strikes moved into a third day for five other Michigan districts. The walkouts over wage and benefit grievances involved 1,937 teachers and 33,200 students in Troy, Saginaw, Gwinn, Cheboygan and St. Igance.

In Troy, a state-appointed mediator ordered a fact finder to seek a resolution to a walkout by more than 700 teachers that has idled 11,000 students in the suburban Detroit district. Negotiations broke off after union representatives rejected a proposal to put teachers back in classrooms Friday, said John Gierak, chief negotiator for the Troy School Board.

''The board has done all it can do to get teachers back in class,'' Gierak said after a 5 1/2-hour bargaining session. ''Parents and students should not be held hostage like this.''

Sid Dickstein, the chief negotiator for Troy's teachers, accused the school board of ''decimating the contract for no reason.''

Teachers in the Lewistown Grade School District in west-central Illinois struck Thursday after working without a contract for nearly a month. The strike involves 33 teachers and 600 students at two elementary schools.

Classes resumed in Darien, Ill., a day after a DuPage County judge ruled a school strike illegal because teachers did not give five days notice of their intention to strike as required by state law. The district's 110 teachers walked out Tuesday, extending summer vacation for 1,721 students.

Negotiations resumed Friday for Washington state's Lake Washington School District, where a walkout by 1,200 teachers idled 22,500 students, and the 9,100-student Mukilteo School District, where 470 teachers were on strike.

Schools in Fremont, Calif., kept their doors open as 1,200 teachers completed a two-day walkout and returned to classes Friday. The walkout was the fourth in six months for Fremont, which has 27,000 students in 42

schools.

In Rhode Island, 360 teachers in the North Kingstown school district ratified a new contract Friday, ending a strike that has kept 4,500 children home since Wednesday. Under the three-year contract, teachers will receive a 4 percent raise the first half of the first year; another 3 percent the second half; 6 percent the second year; and 6 1/4 percent the third, officials said.

The union ratified an agreement reached during a 16-hour bargaining session and reported for orientation sessions Friday. Schools will open Monday.

Teachers in two New Jersey districts defied back-to-work orders in a third day of picketing as teachers in a third district set a Monday strike deadline.

A strike by 303 teachers and 28 secretaries in Deptford Township has disrupted classes for 3,330 students. Substitute teachers were hired in Deptford and in the South Orange-Maplewood School District, where a strike by 390 teachers and 182 support staff affected 4,800 students.

In central New Jersey, Evesham Township school officials agreed to meet with teachers Sunday in an effort to head off a Monday morning strike.

Seven Pennsylvania school districts were on strike, involving 870 teachers and 10,611 students. Teachers in the Dover Area School District reached a tentative agreement after nearly 14 hours of talks Thursday, while 230 teachers in Laurel Highlands School District threatened to strike Monday.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages fell to 10.19 percent from 10.24 percent and adjustable-rate notes dipped to 8.29 percent from 8.30 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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#90250u1165 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

HELSINKI, FINLAND (SEPT. 7) UPI - A week ago, Finns were discussing troubling developments in the Persian Gulf in between conversations about the weather and prospects for skiing.

But the Sept. 1 announcement of a superpower summit in Helsinki during the deteriorating gulf crisis changed this sleepy Nordic nation into a bustling beehive of activity as fashionable Finns feverishly prepared to

be the focus of world attention.

By Friday, little was ready except the host's hopes and pride - and promises that by the summit's start, the needs of delegations and reporters would be fulfilled, the main actors would be safe and everything would be functioning like clockwork.

Finland's President Mauno Koivisto proudly told the nation the superpower choice of Helsinki as a venue came because of the country's neutrality and careful relation-building with both sides.

''I am extremely satisfied,'' the normally subdued Koivisto beamed.

Finland's police, after borrowing hundreds of vehicles and communications equipment from other forces said Friday it was ready for the job of guarding the two leaders. City hotels, after diplomatically ejecting non-summit guests, said all of the 1,000 Soviet and U.S. officials and 2,500 reporters and technicians had a place to stay.

Koivisto, a weathered international statesman, has more reasons than one to be happy to host the U.S. and Soviet leaders. Not only does the summit seem to herald unity in the burning issue of world politics, but it positively affects Finland's international position.

The choice of Finland as a venue for Sunday's summit seemed a calculated effort by both parties to underline the rapprochement between the world's two greatest powers and the atmosphere of cooperation that has developed in recent months.

It was in 1975 that Finland hopefully hosted the watershed meeting between European and North American nations which decided on a common European security, cooperation and human rights charter to bring East and West closer together.

A successful accord would improve not only European security, but also Finland's difficult position as a western halfway house for the Soviet Union with which the former Grand Duchy of the Russian czars fought two bloody wars.

Until the advent of Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev in 1985, and the subsequent, radical changes he instigated in Soviet society, little concrete was achieved either in European security or Finland's sensitive position.

But the unprecedented unanimity between the superpowers in condemning Saddam Hussein's Aug. 2 invasion and annexation of Kuwait, was seen by Finnish officials as auguring well for Finland and the final fulfillment of the goals of the security and cooperating process.

Saturday, Gorbachev and President Bush come to the country to lend credence to the tenets of the Helsinki Final Acts.

Meeting in Helsinki, 15 years after the signing of the acts, U.S.- Soviet relations seem finally to have reached the extended cooperation envisioned in the 1975 agreements.

As Bush and Gorbachev meet Sunday under the heavy cloud of the Persian Gulf crisis, America seems yet again in a position to promise aid to the Soviet Union in return for more outspoken Soviet support in its gulf actions.

In 1975, the United States conditioned arms control agreements on Soviet fulfillment of the human rights aspects of the Final Acts. Since 1985, Gorbachev has gone a long way to fulfill those promises and the United Statse has proved accommodating on arms control.

If, as expected, Gorbachev agrees more openly to support American and U.N. efforts to dislodge the Kremlin's former ally Iraq from Kuwait, U.S. economic help seemed likely to bless the Soviet leader.

The new era has deeply affected Finland and its previously enigmatic position in relation to America and the Soviet Union; and Sunday's summit here seems likely to finally bury the stigmatic term for appeasement - ''Finlandization.''

The only western nation to have a Treaty of Friendship, Cooperation and Mutual Assistance with the Soviet Union, Finland has always felt that its relations with the rest of the world were closely dictated by the temperature of the Cold War.

The rapid thaw in superpower relations has brought hope to the Finns that their careful, post-war balancing act will bear fruit and the country's neutrality will be more a position of choice than one of necessity to satisfy Soviet sensitivities.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (SEPT. 7) UPI - The United States needs cargo ships quickly to transport supplies to the Perisan Gulf and is disappointed over the small number provided by its NATO allies, a top U.S. official said Friday.

''We have a very large number of supplies to move across the Atlantic,'' said Richard Clarke, assistant U.S. secretary of state for politico-military affairs.

''We need ships relatively soon, and we are not entirely satisfied yet with the number of ships that have been provided us,'' Clarke said after briefing a special meeting of NATO ambassadors.

The United States on Monday asked its NATO allies for sealift and airlift help to transport troops and equipment from the United States to the Persian Gulf, but only Britain, Italy and Portugal have complied.

''If you look at it in terms of their lift support, it has not yet been what we'd like it to be,'' Clarke said.

He added, however, that ''a number of countries'' (which he did not name) are seeking approval from their governments of the U.S. request, ''and frankly we anticipate that more will be forthcoming shortly.''

Clarke said the United States seeks a ''substantial'' though classified number of cargo ships, some with ''roll-on-roll-off'' rapid loading systems, and a smaller number of wide-bodied 747 freighter aircraft.

''What we've requested is the direct role of ships and aircraft with their crews, at no cost, to be given to the U.S. transportation command for the indefinite future,'' probably for about a month, he said.

NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner, speaking at the end of a three-day visit to Czechoslovokia, said that while ''nearly all'' the Western allies were making ''a substantial contribution,'' to the U.S.- led military buildup in the Middle East, ''these can and should go further, and they will go.''

Woerner also told a news conference in Prague that only firmly enforced economic sanctions could force Iraq to leave Kuwait without a war.

''I think there is a chance of getting to our goal without war, but only under one condition, that the community of nations remain as solidarity (sic), as cohesive and as determined as they have been up to now,'' Woerner said.

European Community foreign ministers meeting Friday in Rome, meanwhile, decided ''in principle'' to provide emergency aid to Turkey, Jordan and Egypt, with the exact amount to be decided at subsequent meetings.

European allies of the United States have come under increased pressure in the past two weeks to assist the U.S. deployment in the gulf. Only Britain and France have made substantial military commitments, though several other countries have sent minesweepers and other support vessels to the region.

''I don't think the American public expects all the NATO countries to deploy ships to the region,'' Clarke said.

''But most NATO countries with a few exceptions of the very smaller countries can make some contribution,'' he said, either to countries like Jordan and Egypt hurt by economic sanctions against Iraq, or to aid refugees from the crisis.

''We would be very disappointed if the NATO alliance as a group of individual countries did not make major financial contributions,'' Clarke said. ''But based on the political solidarity and the support for the United Nations policy we think those contributions will be forthcoming.''

President Bush's appeal last week for financial aid from U.S. allies was seen by some Europeans as an invitation to support a mercenary army, but Clarke said that was not the message intended.

''The United States is not asking its NATO allies for money to support the United States,'' the U.S. official said. ''The United States is asking its NATO allies to make contributions directly to those states most directly affected by the crisis.''

Clarke was joined in his briefing of NATO ambassadors by a representative of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff. On Monday, Secretary of State James Baker will brief the 16 NATO foreign ministers in Brussels on the Helsinki superpower summit.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 7) UPI - A chartered Iraqi Airways airliner carrying 171 American women, men and children arrived Friday in Jordan from Iraq, a U.S. Embassy spokesman in Jordan said. The flight was the first in a U.S. plan to airlift some 2,600 Americans out of Kuwait on chartered ''flight of mercy'' planes.

There was no word on how long the full airlift of Americans out of the Iraqi-occupied emirate would take, but the U.S. officials said the air bridge would initially evacuate 1,300 U.S. women and children.

There was no immediate explanation for the reported presence of five men on the chartered flight to Amman, Jordan. Iraq has said men would not be allowed to leave the gulf region.

The flight flew from Kuwait City to Baghdad, Iraq, and arrived in Amman, Jordan, about 9:45 a.m. EDT. A U.S. Embassy spokesman said the Americans would fly to United States Saturday.

More ''mercy'' flights are expected to fly out of Kuwait over the weekend. U.S. officials are pressing Iraq to allow American men to leave as well as the women and children that Iraq says may go. But Baghdad Radio Friday said about 900 U.S. male nationals were still considered ''guests'' and would not be allowed out of the region.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman in Jordan said the freed Americans arriving on the Iraqi Airways jet looked ''visibly exhausted.''

''I have had a terrible experience,'' Patricia Hammer, who is divorced from a Kuwaiti, told reporters on arrival at Jordian's Queen Alia airport. ''We were in hiding for five weeks. Palestinian friends brought (us) food at their expense.''

Another unidentified freed hostage, asked if she had been mistreated, responded, ''If you consider being a hostage and having to hide being mistreated, then yes.''

More British and Canadian nationals arrived in their home countries Friday.

About 250 freed British women and children arrived at London's Gatwick Airport from the gulf early in the day, the biggest group to get out since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait five weeks ago. Aboard the British Airways jumbo jet were 78 children and 20 babies, many of whom were in a bus convoy that left Kuwait for Baghdad on Tuesday.

About 40 Canadians, including 10 men, reportedly arrived in Toronto from the gulf region.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker flew to the United Arab Emirates Friday, one of several gulf Arab oil producers who have requested U.S. military aid to deter Iraqi aggression.

Earlier Friday, Baker held talks in the Saudi resort of Taif with Kuwait's toppled emir. Arab diplomats in Cairo said Kuwaiti Emir Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah pledged billions of dollars to maintain the U.S. military presence in the gulf.

The diplomats also said the emir is pressing the United States to adopt a first-strike option against Iraq to liberate Kuwait.

Saudi Arabian King Fahd was reported to have pledged billions to maintain U.S. troops in his kingdom. He reportedly will pay for items such as fuel, water and transportation, but neither U.S. officials nor the Saudis would say exactly how much money Saudi Arabia would contribute. The U.S. operation in the Saudi kingdom was expected to cost $6 billion by the end of the year.

Baker was scheduled to fly to Cairo late Friday for talks with Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid. He was also expected to hold talks with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in Alexandria.

While in Saudi Arabia, Baker dismissed signs from Iran, India and China that those countries were about to break ranks with the West and send food and medicines to Iraq on humanitarian grounds.

''It is the position of the United States of America that humanitarian exemptions (to U.N. sanctions) certainly should not and cannot run to commercial food sales,'' Baker said.

''We take note as well that the Iraqi leadership themselves (who said) they have sufficient food for quite a number of months. So it is our view at least, that we are not at the point of invoking any ... exception for humanitarian cargo.''

U.S.-led naval forces are imposing a naval blockade on Iraq and have already turned back a number of ships headed for Iraqi or Jordanian ports with cargo for Baghdad.

The Indian government acknowledged Friday, after several days of denial, that Baghdad has refused to allow some 180,000 Indians to leave the gulf region unless cargos of food are flown in on the planes intended to ferry the Indian nationals home.

The Indian government has sought United Nations support for a plan to send food and medicine into the gulf on ships and planes that would then ferry Indian nationals out.

But Foreign Minister I.K. Gujral said Friday India had been unable to persuade the Western members of the U.N. Security Council of the need for the such assistance.

''The trouble is they seem to not feel that the situation (for refugees trapped in the region) has got bad enough,'' he said.

Egyptian Foreign Ministry sources said the Mubarak administration balked at Baker's idea floated earlier this week to form a defense alliance in the Middle East similar to NATO.

The sources said Egypt and Saudi Arabia were committed to a U.S. troop pullout after Iraq withdrew its forces from Kuwait and opposed any permanent U.S. military presence in the volatile area.

''As far as we are concerned, the U.S. military presence in the region must be withdrawn after the gulf crisis abates,'' one Egyptian source told United Press International.

In Jerusalem, outside the El Aqsa Mosque, Islam's third holiest site, about 1,000 Palestinians chanted pro-Iraq slogans and burned American and Israeli flags Friday during a demonstration in support of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The demonstration was the third and largest expression of pro-Saddam sentiment outside the mosque on the Temple Mount since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

Kuwaiti Finance Minister Ali Khalifa Sabah said Iraqi forces have stolen about $400 million worth of gold and $1 billion in bank notes from Kuwait's central bank, but they said the looting will not benefit Baghdad, thanks to restrictions of the U.N. embargo against Iraq.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency mentioned reports that President Bush would ask Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev at the Sunday summit in Helsinki ''to take part in such an alliance so as to establish a shield that aims at facing up to the Iraqi nuclear and chemical ''at facin

Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady, traveling like Baker to raise funds to sustain the fight against Iraq, said in Tokyo Friday he was pleased with the response he got from Japan and South Korea.

Brady did not say how much he had asked Japan and South Korea to contribute, but a Japanese television station reported Brady requested Tokyo give $2 billion on top of the $1 billion it pledged to give last week.

European Community foreign ministers met in Rome Friday to decide their contribution to U.S. military operations in the gulf. But Italian Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis told reporters in Brussels Thursday that, ''a European participation in the U.S. military costs is politically and juridically unproposable.''

British Defense Minister Tom King underscored Friday Premier Margaret Thatcher's pledge that more British troops would be sent to the gulf.

''We do believe that some additional forces will be needed and their composition is under consideration,'' King said but gave few details.

British officials said London had not followed the U.S. example of airlifting people out of Kuwait because of fears about the safety of Kuwait airport. Instead of an airlift, hundreds of British women and children have suffered grueling bus rides from Kuwait to Baghdad and then on to Amman.

The British Foreign Office said 140 to 150 Britons were in Baghdad applying for exit visas.

The French Foreign Ministry and company sources said Friday that Iraqi troops rounded up a group of French arms makers and took them to a Baghdad Melia Mansour Hotel after they vainly sought refuge at the French Embassy.

A foreign ministry official in Paris said 16 French nationals with the firm Thompson were taken Thursday to the hotel, which is the point of departure for hostages sent to strategic Iraqi sites as ''human shields'' against possible attack from the U.S.-led multinational force.

''This brings to nearly 60 of our compatriots who have been detained at the Melia Mansour or taken to other destinations that we don't know,'' a ministry spokesman said.

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LONDON (SEPT. 7) UPI - British industries may suffer up to $9.45 billion in irretrievable losses and lay off more than 100,000 employees because of a trade embargo against Iraq and cancellations of Middle East orders, the Institution of Exports said Friday.

''We're well on our way to that now,'' said Derek Langham, the institute's representative in London.

The $9.45 billion figure issued by the institute is significantly more than forecast by the government.

Among the biggest losers is NEI Parsons, the largest employer in Newcastle 280 miles northeast of London. One of every five of its employees has been laid off since the crisis began Aug. 2, according to the British Broadcasting Corp.

The firm had to stop work on a $142 million order for four turbine engines for a power plant in Iraq as a result of a U.N.-ordered trade blockade against Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

Peter Dobson, who lost his job in the cutback, said, ''Nobody imagined that this would carry on in the Gulf. There might be a general feeling on the shop floor that you are being a wee bit hasty, but that isn't to say I doubt the management.''

Scores of smaller businesses are paying an even higher price. Richard Linaker, owner of a marketing company that caters to clients in the Middle East, said he would have to close his business in a few days.

The Department of Trade and Industry offered sympathy and advice but no compensation.

The country must accept that ''there is a price to be paid for its moral obligations even if that be a heavy and unpleasant one,'' a DTI spokesman said.

Most companies are not insured for such loses, Langham said.

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ROME (SEPT. 7) UPI - European Community foreign ministers announced a broad range of decisions on the Persian Gulf crisis Friday including a proposed multi-billion dollar aid package for three countries hard-hit by the U.N. embargo on Iraq.

But the Community decisions did not include a direct contribution to the costs of the U.S.-led military operation in the gulf, sought by President Bush.

''The opinion of the European Community is that we want to make a concrete contribution to the costs of the gulf crisis,'' Italian Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis told a news conference. ''But the U.S. military buildup was taken as an autonomous decision.''

Instead, the one-day special meeting of the foreign ministers decided ''in principle'' to provide billions of dollars in emergency and medium-term aid to Jordan, Egypt and Turkey, the three countries hardest hit by the blockade against Iraq.

The exact amount of this aid was to be decided at subsequent meetings. But the EC executive commission has estimated the total requirement at $2.8 billion for this year and a further $6.5 billion in 1991.

Conference sources said only 12 to 15 percent of the money will be provided by the European Community. The Community is looking for oil- rich gulf countries, which have benefited from price increases caused by the crisis, to provide around 65 percent. The remaining 20 percent would come from Far Eastern countries, possibly Korea and Japan.

The special EC meeting ended with the issue of three formal declarations - on the ''Crisis in the Gulf,'' on foreign citizens in Iraq and Kuwait, and on EC-Arab relations.

In the ''crisis'' declaration, the foreign ministers reaffirmed the Community's support for all U.N. Security Council resolutions relating to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and said the ''complete implementation of the embargo ... is the essential condition for bringing about a peaceful solution to the crisis.''

The declaration on foreign citizens expressed ''utter condemnation'' of the Iraqi measures against foreign citizens in Iraq and Kuwait and the embassies in Kuwait. It insisted ''on full respect of the right to freedom of movement of foreign citizens in those countries.''

The declaration on EC-Arab relations reaffirmed the Community's determination to work for peace in the Middle East and said ''it is a further injustice to the Arab people that Iraq's aggression against Kuwait has delayed the search for progress towards a solution to other problems of the region, such as the Arab-Israeli conflict, the Palestinian problem and the situation in Lebanon.''

De Michelis, who presided over the EC meeting, told the concluding news conference that the ministers decided to normalize relations with Syria and Iran in meetings to be held in New York Sept. 28 on the fringe of the U.N. General Assembly.

He also said the ministers accepted a recent Soviet proposal to issue a joint EC-Soviet declaration on the crisis. He said the declaration would be adopted in New York Sept. 27 after a meeting between Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and the Community's ''Troika'' composed of the foreign ministers of Ireland, Italy and Luxembourg, the past, present and future holders of the EC presidency.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 7) UPI - The Cleveland Cavaliers adjusted the contracts for three veteran stars of the team before retaining forward John ''Hot Rod'' Williams by matching a seven-year $26.5 million offer from Miami.

Under NBA rules, a team may go over the league-imposed salary cap to re-sign a free agent, thus it was easier to adjust the contracts of the Cavaliers before officially signing Williams.

The Cavaliers announced Friday that before matching Williams' contract offer Thursday they extended Mark Price's contract, made contract modifications for Brad Daugherty and Larry Nance and signed second round draft pick Milos Babic of Yugoslavia.

The club refused to release details of any of the contracts, but Price said his contract was extended for three years through the 1995-96 season.

Price was already under contract for $1 million a year for the next three seasons. The Akron Beacon Journal reported Friday the extension was estimated to be worth at least $2.5 million a year.

''It's for three years and I can't say much else,'' Price said Thursday

night. ''Early in the week, it looked like nothing would happen, but then things changed and we pretty much got it done in one day.''

Price, 26, a second round draft pick in 1986 from Georgia Tech, is the NBA's all-time leader in shooting percentage from 3-point range at 42 percent and has been the Cavaliers' floor leader for the past three seasons. He averaged 19.6 points and 9.1 assists a game last season.

Daugherty, a four-year veteran from North Carolina, averaged 16.8 points and 9.1 rebounds. Nance, entering this 10th season in the NBA, averaged 16.3 points and 8.3 rebounds.

Babic, a 7-foot center, played college basketball at Tennessee Tech.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

CAIRO, Egypt - A chartered Iraqi Airways airliner carrying 171 American women, men and children arrived Friday in Jordan from Iraq, a U.S. Embassy spokesman in Jordan said. It was the first flight in a U.S. plan to airlift some 2,600 Americans out of Kuwait on chartered ''flight of mercy'' planes.

There was no word on how long the full airlift of Americans out of the Iraqi-occupied emirate would take but the U.S. officials said the air bridge would initially evacuate 1,300 U.S. women and children.

There was no immediate explanation for the reported presence of five men on the chartered flight to Amman, Jordan. Iraq has said men would not be allowed to leave the gulf region.

SEOUL, South Korea - Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady met President Roh Tae-woo and other officials Friday to seek support for the U.S. plan on a collective international effort agaist Iraq in the Persian Gulf crisis. Brady told reporters he received a positive response from the Seoul government.

ATHENS, Greece - Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani scoffed at Iran's Arab neighbors Friday for seeking Tehran's help after 10 years of hostility, Tehran radio reported. He told the families of Iranian soldiers killed in the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war that those who opposed Iran are now quarreling among themselves and seeking Iran's help against Iraq.

LONDON - British defense secretary Tom King told the House of Commons

Friday that more British troops will be deployed to join the U.S.-led multinational force in the Persian Gulf. He declined to identify the number and type of forces that will be sent.

TAIF, Saudi Arabia - Secretary of State James Baker met Friday with the toppled emir of Kuwait after receiving a pledge from Saudi Arabia of billions of dollars to defray the cost of Washington's anti-Iraq mission. Later, Baker visited the United Arab Emirates for talks with leaders before flying to Cairo for talks with Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid.

NEW DELHI - The Indian government acknowledged Friday that Iraq refuses to allow thousands of Indians to leave unless the ships and planes that sent to take them home arrive with cargos of food. Foreign Minister I.K. Gujral said Iraq reneged on some of its pledges to him and he said Iraq's proposed swap of people for food is a ''disconcerting development.''

PARIS - Sixteen employees of a French armsmaker in Iraq were rounded up and taken to a Baghdad hotel after vainly seeking refuge at the French Embassy. A Foreign Ministry official said Friday the employees were taken to the Melia Mansour Hotel, which has been the point of departure for hostages deployed as shields against attack by the multinational force in the region.

ROME - European Community foreign ministers met Friday to devise an economic aid package for countries suffering under the U.N. embargo on Iraq. They also reviewed the situation of foreigners prevented from leaving Iraq and Kuwait and the problem of embassies staying open in Kuwait despite Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's order to close.

BEIJING - Chinese Premier Li Peng told an aide to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that Baghdad should withdraw from Kuwait and accept mediation by the United Nations, state television reported Friday. He told First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan that Iraq should withdraw unconditionally as soon as possible and settle the dispute by negotiation, the television report said.

CAIRO, Egypt - Egypt's economy, suffering under the weight of massive debt faces its worst labor troubles with the return of thousands of poor and unemployed workers fleeing Iraq and Kuwait. More than 1 million Egyptians were in the two countries when Iraq invaded.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 7) UPI - General Development Corp., the Florida developer indicted earlier this year on federal fraud charges, has broken with the New York law firm that was crafting its defense, a spokeswoman said Friday.

Company spokeswoman Nelly Medel said General Development directors decided last week to sever the company's long-standing relationship with Cravath, Swaine & Moore.

The company, which is seeking to negotiate a plea agreement with federal prosecutors, said the responsibility for those talks now shifts entirely to Miami defense attorney Robert Josefsberg.

"We are simply not using their (Cravath's) services on the criminal case, and they are transferring everything over to Josefsberg," Medel said. Medel declined to cite a reason for the move, although she said the decision did not reflect any dissatisfaction with the firm's performance.

The Miami Review, a legal and business journal, reported Friday that company director Chesterfield Smith intends to push for a formal independent investigation of the law firm's performance in the case.

Smith said the probe would be part of a broader investigation "into the role of anybody that might have contributed to the situation in a wrongful way," the journal reported.

A partner with Cravath told the Review that members of the law firm could be called as witnesses in the case. "That would make it difficult to represent the company if the case ever came to trial," said partner Ronald Rolfe.

General Development and two chief executives were indicted in March on federal fraud charges for allegedly inflating the value of homes the company sold in its nine Florida communities. Prosecutors say the fraud may have cost home buyers as much as $100 million.

The company, which filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in April, later agreed to plead guilty to a conspiracy charge, but the plea agreement was tossed out by U.S. District Judge Lenore Nesbitt, who termed it too lenient. The case is scheduled to go to trial Jan. 7. Medel said company officials hope a plea agreement can be reached before then.

"We are in negotiations with the U.S. attorney at this time. We are going to do everything that is possible in order to reach agreement," Medel said.

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GAINESVILLE, FL (SEPT. 7) UPI - A criminal justice authority said Friday the killer who murdered five college students was cold and calculating and probably not the mentally ill suspect in a county jail.

''Generally those sorts of people are not capable of the meticulous, careful crime that we saw involving gloves on ones' hands,'' said James Fox, a professor at Northeastern University in Boston.

Fox made his comments on the Phil Donahue Show, broadcast live Friday from Gainesville.

Several city and University of Florida officials refused to appear on the broadcast, calling it in bad taste, and a letter to the editor in Friday's Gainesville Sun urged people not to watch.

About eight minutes into the broadcast, someone cut four television cables then fled on a bicycle, causing about a 10-second blackout, but technicians switched to the one surviving camera and quickly restrung more cable, and the show went on.

Brevard County Sheriff Jake Miller has said the suspect, Edward Humphrey, 18, has displayed ''psychotic'' behavior since his arrest Aug. 30 for beating his grandmother.

Fox said that the Gainesville serial killer was more likely a sociopath - not a psychopath.

''What we're dealing with is a person who has an insatiable need for power dominance and control, someone who knows what they're doing, who enjoys not only terrorizing his five victims but may also be enjoying the terror that has played on this community. ... It's an evil man. It's obviously not someone who's normal.''

However, another expert, Michael West, a forensics specialist who has used ultraviolet equipment to examine the crime scenes, said he could not rule out Humphrey as the killer.

''It's very possible that any of the suspects that police have right now could be the killer. This man's not a genius. He's just careful,'' West said.

Humphrey, 18, a University of Florida freshman from Indialantic, remained in the Brevard County Detention Center Friday on $1 million bond, charged with aggravated battery for allegedly beating his grandmother Aug. 30.

Arrest warrants also were issued Thursday by UF police, accusing Humphrey of two assaults on campus Aug. 25, the day before the first bodies were found.

Indian River County authorities Tuesday issued arrest warrants for Humphrey, accusing him of armed burglary and attempted sexual battery for a 1988 attack on a woman there.

Gainesville police have refused to characterize Humphrey as their prime suspect.

''We're going to stay away from identifying anyone at this point as a No. 1 suspect,'' police Lt. Sadie Darnell said Friday during a news conference. ''We are looking at eight people strongly and four of those very strongly but their hierarchy in that ranking changes almost daily.''

''I'm of the firm opinion that this individual, the killer, selects victims that appear easy to kill,'' West said. ''He kills small, petite females.

''This man is not courageous. He's not brave. You stand up, you will run him away. You're better off armed than unarmed.''

There has been a run on guns at Gainesville pawn shops and sporting goods stores, however, Gainesville Mayor Pro Tem Rodney Long urged residents Friday to leave weapons to law enforcement officials.

''It's important for this country to know that the city of Gainesville is a city that is in control of the situation, even though we are a city that has been stricken with fear,'' he said.

Authorities on Thursday searched Humphrey's Gainesville apartment, the family home in Indialantic and towed away his car to a crime lab in Jacksonville.

''Evidence, items and information we gained at both the scene here and at Brevard County is promising,'' Darnell said Friday, however she declined to say what was retrieved or if it tied Humphrey to the crimes.

Authorities in Ordway, Colo., reported that Humphrey was arrested there last month for disorderly conduct for failing to pay for gasoline, and while in custody, threatened to kill himself.

Crowley County sheriff's Sgt. Allan Turner said Humphrey's grandmother told him the suspect had left Florida without telling anyone and was apparently en route to Montana, where he had relatives and a girlfriend.

The grandmother, Elna Hlavaty, the victim of the Aug. 30 assault at her home, paid for the gasoline, and the charge was dropped.

At Thursday's hearing, Hlavaty said she wanted the aggravated battery charges dropped.

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DENVER (SEPT. 7) UPI - Paul Westhead will bring his uptempo style of basketball to the Denver Nuggets as head coach, General Manager Bernie Bickerstaff announced Friday.

''I'm a fast-break, full-court press kind of coach, and the people who hired me know that,'' Westhead said.

Westhead, who won 50 games and the 1980 NBA Championship after taking over the Los Angeles Lakers from injured Jack McKinney, raised the Loyola-Marymount basketball team from relative obscurity to the NCAA Tournament the last three years. Last year LMU made the final eight before losing to eventual NCAA champion Nevada-Las Vegas.

He became the ninth head coach in Denver's franchise history, dating back to 1967, and the fourth since the Nuggets joined the NBA in 1976.

''Hiring Paul Westhead is a good move for us because his style will fit the players we will put on the floor well,'' Bickerstaff said. ''He is a proven winner in the college and professional ranks.''

Not all the college coaches who have made the leap to professional basketball have enjoyed equal success, but Westhead said his system is a proven winner.

''I never felt there was a great difference in coaching college and pro palyers,'' Westhead said. ''I will improve many of my conditioning and practice techniques, but it's not outside the realm of possibility we would do some of the same sprints we used last year.''

The 51-year-old Philadelphia native said last year's LMU players wore weighted wet suits while doing wind sprints in a deep-water swimming pool.

Bickerstaff said his plan for rebuilding the Nuggets would take from three to five years.

Although neither Westhead nor Bickerstaff revealed the terms of the contract, Westhead said, ''It's a contract which puts me in the thick of those years.''

Other NBA teams that have attempted a fast break, full-court defense have wilted over the grueling 82-game schedule.

Westhead, who had a 247-153 record in 14 collegiate seasons at LaSalle and Loyola-Marymount and a 140-104 record in four pro seasons with the Lakers and Chicago Bulls, said, ''A very fast pace will cause teams great difficulty, not just on offense.

''The roots of our fast break today were planted way before the NBA experience, and in the past three years I've become even a greater believer in a fast, furious defense.''

Westhead said he has not had time to consider any choices for his assistants.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - The Pentagon informed Congress Friday of a proposed $3.2 billion fighter deal with South Korea that will allow Seoul to produce copies of the F/A-18 - a move some fear could help create a serious aerospace rival.

The transaction for 120 F/A-18 Hornet fighters calls for the United States to ship 12 aircraft to Seoul in the first phase, provide 36 ''knockdown'' kits for co-production in South Korea in the second stage, and then allow Korean production of 72 of the sophisticated jets in Seoul in the final phase.

The Navy's F/A-18 is built by the McDonnell Douglas Corp. of St. Louis. Also included in the deal are 24 GE F-404 spare engines, which are built by General Electric in Lynn, Mass.

The proposed sale will move ahead unless Congress acts in the next 30 days to disapprove it.

Sen. Alan Dixon, D-Ill., a member of the Armed Services Committee, has been the most vocal of the congressional opponents of the transaction, calling it ''a sucker deal'' for the United States.

Dixon has said the deal would cause tens of thousands of Americans to lose their jobs and possibly would undermine America's dominance in the aerospace and aviation industries, where the United States maintains a trade surplus.

He has predicted a ''bitter, bitter brawl'' in Congress over the deal.

Similar concerns were debated on Capitol Hill earlier this year when Congress considered the FSX fighter deal with Japan. That transaction, however, called for only co-production of the plane with General Dynamics Corp. as opposed to full production in the Korean sale.

In a statement, the Pentagon said the sale of these aircraft will ''contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States'' by allowing replacement of aging F-4 and F-5 jets in the South Korean defense forces.

South Korean President Roh Tae Woo was asked when he was in Washington last October if South Korea, as critics had charged, was trying to use the Korean Fighter Project as a means of building a Korean aerospace industry.

In a reply that failed to ease congressional concern, Roh said he was certain ''the aerospace industries of both Korea and the United States will be combined to make a success of this project.''

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close

Sept. 6, 1990

Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	449.83	off 7.40	up 0.22
Growth & Income	701.37	off 7.47	up 0.41
Balanced	457.43	off 7.74	up 0.56
Average Fund Performances:			
Capital Appreciation (145)		off 8.22	up 0.46
Growth (260)		off 7.22	up 0.24
Small Co. Growth (82)		off 10.31	up 0.19
Growth & Income (198)		off 6.73	up 0.38
Equity Income (66)		off 8.29	up 0.49
Average 751 Equity		off 7.72	up 0.33
Health/Biotech (9)		up 6.75	up 0.17
Natural Resources (19)		up 2.10	up 2.49
Environmental (5)		off 8.51	off 0.19
Science & Technology (23)		off 6.73	off 0.17
Specialty/Misc (31)		off 8.54	up 0.33
Utility (15)		off 8.50	up 0.60
Financial Services (10)		off 16.42	off 0.03
Real Estate (6)		off 12.94	off 0.91
Option Income (10)		off 6.61	up 0.67
Global (40)		off 7.04	off 1.47
International (56)		off 7.19	off 2.28
European Region (17)		up 1.14	off 2.32
Pacific Region (18)		off 13.81	off 1.49
Gold Oriented (34)		off 13.03	off 1.05
Average All Equity (1039)		off 7.67	up 0.02

Flexible Portfolio (46)		off	3.91	up	0.25
Global Flexible Port (11)		off	3.64	up	0.10
Balanced (61)		off	3.80	up	0.34
Convertible Security (29)		off	5.22	up	0.03
Mixed Income (14)		off	2.68	up	0.49
Income (4)		off	2.71	off	0.28
World Income (44)		up	7.45	up	0.62
Fixed Income (530)		up	1.48	up	0.50
Average 1783 Funds		off	4.20	up	0.20
Median 1783 Funds		off	4.11	up	0.31
Unmanaged Market Indicators:					
DJ Industrial	2,596.29	off	5.70	up	0.12
S&P 500	320.46	off	9.32	up	0.55
S&P 400	379.48	off	5.95	up	0.47
NYSE Composite	176.06	off	9.73	up	0.47
Amex	324.50	off	14.15	up	0.49

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)

Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 7) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Friday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.64 1/2	2.65	2.61 1/2	2.62 3/4	2.65 3/4
Dec	2.81 1/2	2.81 1/2	2.78	2.79 3/4	2.82 1/2
Mar	2.93	2.93	2.90	2.92 1/4	2.94 1/4
May	3.00	3.00	2.96 3/4	2.98 1/4	3.01 1/4
Jly	3.06	3.06	3.02	3.03 1/2	3.07
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.42	2.42	2.38 1/2	2.38 3/4	2.43
Dec	2.36	2.36	2.33 3/4	2.34	2.37 3/4
Mar	2.44 1/2	2.44 3/4	2.42 3/4	2.43	2.46 1/2
May	2.51 1/2	2.51 1/2	2.49	2.49 1/2	2.52 3/4
Jly	2.55	2.55 1/2	2.53 3/4	2.53 1/2	2.56 1/2
Sep	2.54	2.54 1/2	2.52 3/4	2.53	2.54 1/2
Dec	2.55	2.55	2.53 1/4	2.53 1/4	2.55

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	1.11 1/2	1.11 1/2	1.08 3/4	1.08 1/2	1.11 1/4
Dec	1.21	1.21	1.18 1/2	1.19	1.21 1/2
Mar	1.32 1/4	1.32 1/4	1.30 1/4	1.30 1/4	1.33
May	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.36 1/2	1.36 3/4	1.39 1/4

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	6.13	6.13 3/4	6.10	6.12 1/4	6.17 1/4
Nov	6.28 1/2	6.28 1/2	6.24	6.26 1/2	6.31 3/4
Jan	6.42 1/2	6.42 1/2	6.37 3/4	6.40 1/4	6.45
Mar	6.54	6.55 1/4	6.51	6.53 3/4	6.58 3/4
May	6.63	6.63	6.60	6.61 3/4	6.66 3/4
Jly	6.67 1/2	6.69	6.65 1/2	6.67	6.72 3/4
Aug	6.61	6.61	6.59	6.59 1/4	6.63 1/2
Sep	6.37	6.38	6.34	6.34 1/2	6.37 1/2
Nov	6.26	6.26	6.23	6.23 3/4	6.27 1/4

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Sep	24.30	24.30	24.06	24.10	24.43
Oct	24.20	24.20	23.95	24.01	24.33
Dec	24.30	24.38	24.06	24.11	24.46
Jan	24.46	24.46	24.27	24.26	24.59
Mar	24.60	24.60	24.48	24.47	24.74
May	24.70	24.77	24.60	24.75	24.87
Jly	24.70	24.85	24.70	24.84	24.93
Aug	24.55	24.65	24.45	24.60	24.60
Sep	24.20	24.45	24.20	24.45	24.45
Oct	23.90	24.20	23.85	24.10	24.25

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	180.00	180.00	178.50	178.90	181.20
Oct	181.50	181.50	180.00	180.60	182.40
Dec	184.80	185.00	183.70	184.20	185.90
Jan	186.00	186.50	185.30	185.60	187.00
Mar	188.50	189.00	188.00	188.20	189.70
May	191.00	191.00	189.50	189.60	191.70
Jly	192.00	192.00	191.00	191.50	193.50
Aug	189.70	189.70	189.70	189.70	192.20
Sep	188.30	188.30	187.00	187.50	189.90
Oct	186.50	186.50	184.50	185.00	188.50
Dec	185.00	185.00	184.00	184.50	187.50

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NEW DELHI (SEPT. 7) UPI - The government, after several days of denial, acknowledged Friday that Baghdad has refused to allow thousands of Indians to leave Iraq and Kuwait unless the ships and planes sent to take them

home arrive with cargos of food.

Foreign Minister I.K. Gujral, speaking to Parliament, said Iraq had reneged on some of its pleges to him during a recent visit to Baghdad. He described Iraq's decision to release Indians in exchange for food as a ''disconcerting development.''

About 200,000 Indians were working in Iraq and Kuwait at the time of the Iraqi invasion. Nearly 20,000 have been returned to India at a cost of $30 million, officials said Friday, but tens of thousands remain as refugees in Kuwait, Iraq and Jordan.

Gujral's comments came one day after the Indian government sought United Nations support for the plan to send food and medicine to Iraq and Kuwait by air and sea. The empty ships and jetliners would then return Indian refugees to their homeland.

But government officials had repeatedly denied over the past two days that Iraq placed any preconditions on sending ships or planes to pick up the Indian refugees. Instead they described the plan as a humanitarian move to provide food and medicine to those in need.

Gujral's announcement in Parliament came as the Foreign Ministry continued to press its case for sending food and medicine to Iraq, accusing the West for applying a double standard in dealing with the refugee problem in the Middle East.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Aftab Seth said Western countries were chartering Iraqi Airways jets to bring out their citizens while hampering New Delhi's efforts to send ships and airplanes loaded with food and medicine for Indians in Iraq and Kuwait.

''It is inhuman to try to achieve political objectives through a process of starving people,'' he said. ''It is inhuman. It is cruel. And the people who are starving are our own and other Asians.''

''They are not in a position to live in five-star hotels. And they are not in small enough numbers to get out on chartered flights of Iraqi Airways. They have to come out on ships and planes that we send in,'' he added.

The United States has chartered planes for such flights, but a State Department spokesman Thursday declined to comment on the issue when it was raised during a news briefing.

William Clark, the U.S. ambassador to India, told reporters in Washington Friday the United States opposed the Indian plan because it would violate the embargo against Iraq and Kuwait. He also said there was no way to ensure the food would get to Indians, the Press Trust of India reported

from Washington.

But Seth denied the plan would break the U.N. embargo against Iraq and said India's view was that food was exempted from the sanctions.

''Our support for the question of U.N. sanctions is unswerving. We are not trying to bust sanctions,'' Seth said. ''Whatever food and medicine we send in, we will send with the approval of concerned authorities. We want that approval and we are working very hard to get it.''

He also reaffirmed India's condemnation of the invasion, saying: ''We have never condoned aggression. We do not recognize merger. We do not recognize annexation. We do not accept that the sovereignty of Kuwait has been extinguished.''

The foreign ministry spokesman said New Delhi recognized the food shipments might end up in Iraqi hands rather than going to help suffering Indians. He said India hoped to deliver the food and medicine to the Red Cross and Red Crescent relief organizations, which could ensure it would go to those in need.

Seth said the problem India faced was in convincing the United Nations that immediate humanitarian relief should be provided to refugees in Kuwait, Iraq and Jordan, where some 20,000 Indians are being housed in refugee camps awaiting return home.

But he said India had been so far unable to convince the Western members of the U.N. Security Council of the need for the assistance.

''The trouble is they seem to not feel that the situation has got bad enough,'' he added. ''That is the tragedy. I mean, when do you decide that children are starving? When they start dropping dead on the streets?''

International relief organizations such as the Red Cross and Save the Children are involved in efforts to help the thousands of refugees stranded on the Jordanian-Iraqi border.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - A year pocked with shame, soreness and unaccustomed defeat may yet develop into a happy ending for Steffi Graf.

There was a scandal involving her father and a model, a fractured thumb as a result of a freak ski accident, a severe sinus condition that required surgery and ultimately there were the defeats.

After winning the Australian Open in January, her eighth Grand Slam of the

previous nine, Graf lost the French Open final to Monica Seles and was beaten in the Wimbledon semifinals by Zina Garrison.

''It was a tough time, I wanted to get it over with,'' Graf said Friday, a half hour after she stepped smoothly into the finals of the U.S. Open by crushing Arantxa Sanchez Vicario 6-1, 6-2. ''That's why it means a lot to me to be playing like this.

''It would be something special for me (to win the Open). ''Nothing really mattered much to me for a long time, and now this means a whole ''h to me fo

Graf was most disturbed at the scandal involving her father, Peter, which was played up big in the German press. She admitted this weighed on her mind when she should have been concentrating on tennis.

''I never wanted to go through it, and never will,'' the 21-year- old top seed answered when asked if all the adversity had made her stronger. ''Nobody does, I think.''

With her father sitting in the guest's box, the two-time defending champion allowed nothing to disturb her Friday, least of all Sanchez's futile attempts to make a match of it.

''The way I was playing, I couldn't do much better, so I'm happy,'' Graf said. ''For a change I'm perfect (health-wise). It's good to know I'm physically fit.

''I'll be happy if it (her game) gets better in the final, but I couldn't play much better than this match. I felt very good.''

Gabriela Sabatini, the No. 5 seed, was to play No. 8 Mary Joe Fernandez in the second semifinal. The women's final is scheduled for Saturday.

Graf is 18-3 against Sabatini, an occasional doubles partner, and 1-0 vs. Fernandez.

The men's semifinals also are on tap for Saturday with No. 2 Boris Becker, the defending champion, going against No. 4 Andre Agassi, and No. 12 Pete Sampras playing unseeded John McEnroe.

Graf, seeking to add a third successive U.S. Open crown, toyed with her sixth-seeded opponent, completing her business in 54 minutes. She also displayed a more aggressive attack than usual, approaching the net 23 times and winning 20 of the points.

''Today she hits an unbelievable forehand, everything to the lines,'' Sanchez said. ''She was serving very well, and I didn't have a chance.

''She is playing better than in Paris and Wimbledon. She has the confidence in all her shots, she's playing very well, and I think she'll win the tournament. I try to put the first serve in or I know she'll kill me with her forehand. She pressured a lot and I couldn't do anything.''

After Sanchez held service in the second game, Graf ran off seven games in a row, carrying her to a 2-0 lead in the second set. Sanchez held at 15 in the third game before Graf won three more games.

Sanchez, an 18-year-old Spaniard, now has lost to Graf in eight of nine career meetings, her lone triumph coming in the 1989 French Open final.

''When you beat her one time you think you can beat her again,'' Sanchez said. ''But that (Paris) was a different surface, it's slower, and I could get to her forehand.''

Graf, 21, has dropped one set in reaching the final for the fourth consecutive year, and in her last three victories she has yielded merely 10 games.

''I didn't make mistakes from the beginning or in practice,'' Graf said. ''I felt good and I knew I would get into a rhythm against her. I expected a tougher match.''

In reaching the final, Graf is assured of earning $175,000. This amounts thus far to $29,560.81 per hour, or $581.40 per minute.

Sanchez had only one break point in the match, that coming on Graf's double-fault in the fifth game of the opening set. Graf saved it with a service winner, and after four deuces she was able to hold.

The only other time Sanchez reached deuce on Graf's serve was in the sixth game of the second set after Graf had been ahead 40-0.

The South African team of Pieter Aldrich and Danie Visser, seeded second, won the men's doubles championship with a 6-2, 7-6 (7-3), 6-2 victory over Americans Paul Annacone and David Wheaton.

Aldrich and Visser, who also won the Australian crown, split $142,861. Annacone and Wheaton, who were unseeded, receive a total of $71,431.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Gold futures closed 20 points lower across the

board Friday on the New York Commodity Exchange.
Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	389.50	389.50	389.50	389.50	389.70
Oct	389.00	391.60	384.00	391.40	391.70
Dec	394.00	396.20	388.50	396.00	396.20
Feb	398.00	399.60	393.50	400.40	400.60
Apr	401.80	404.30	399.90	404.50	404.70
Jun	406.70	406.70	406.70	408.90	409.10
Aug	410.50	....	....	413.00	413.20
Oct	412.20	416.50	412.20	417.60	417.80
Dec	419.50	419.50	419.50	422.20	422.40
Feb	421.00	421.00	420.50	427.20	427.40
Apr	429.50	....	....	432.00	432.20
Jun	434.50	....	....	437.00	437.20

Open interest: 120,965 up 54.
Estimated sales: 43,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	389.75 up 2.75
Morning fixing	388.85 off 0.90
Afternoon fixing	384.60 off 5.15
Close	387.00 off 2.75
Paris	389.80 up 0.08
Zurich	387.50 unchanged
Hong Kong	388.95 unchanged
New York	
Comex spot close	389.50 off 0.20
Republic cash	390.50 up 0.50
Handy and Harman	384.60 up 2.90

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 385.90 off 2.91 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 405.20 off 3.05 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.80 up 0.03
Republic cash	4.83 up 0.035

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.77 per fine ounce up 0.005

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.795 off

0.015and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.131 off 0.016
 Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 479.50 off 3.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 579.50 off 3.50.
 Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 107.00 off 4.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 122.00 off 4.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
 By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Sharply higher in dull trading.

Bonds - Higher.

American Stocks - Sharply higher in dull trading.

London Stocks - Closed steady in mixed trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed slightly higher in active trading.

Dollar - Closed higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1 1/2 to 4 1/4, soybeans off 3 to 5 3/4, wheat off 2 to 3 1/2 and oats off 2 1/2 to 2 3/4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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AMMAN, JORDAN (SEPT. 7) UPI - Americans still trapped in occupied Kuwait are changing hideaways frequently to evade Iraqi soldiers and disguising themselves in native Kuwaiti attire, U.S. women who flew out to safety Friday said.

''The conditions have been very frightening,'' Cyndi Dewey of San Francisco said in an interview with Cable News Network after 171 Americans - mostly women and children - arrived in Amman from Kuwait via Baghdad.

They were on a Iraqi flight chartered by the U.S. government as a result of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's decision to allow foreign women and children to leave Kuwait and Iraq.

Saddam is still detaining most Western men, arresting some and apparently sending them to serve as shields against potential attacks on key military and other installations by U.S. forces deployed to Saudi Arabia.

Dewey said Americans in occupied Kuwait have heard many reports of foreigners being arrested by Iraqi search parties and taken away. They have not been heard from again, she said.

''We've been hiding out,'' said Dewey, a mother of four who said she had arrived in Kuwait less than two weeks before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion. ''We have maybe been out of the house five times since the invasion. We've had to disguise our hair, dye it black, wear ... Kuwaiti dress, to disguise ourselves if we do go out.

''The whole city of Kuwait has been destroyed and taken,'' she said. ''The place is a disaster there. The children have had nightmares. We've all had to sleep in one room because we've been so scared.''

Another of the women on Friday's flight, identified only as Ruthie, a mother of three from Memphis who brought her children out, said Iraqis broke into buildings in search of files with addresses of foreigners living in Kuwait.

She said she has asked her husband, whom she left behind in Kuwait, to check in with the U.S. Embassy every few days as he changes hiding places so she can be sure he is still safe.

She said that Iraqi soldiers have begun house-to-house searches for foreigners and that Kuwaiti friends alert Americans when the soldiers approach the neighborhoods where they are staying.

''If it was close to our area, we would get quickly get in the car and try to find a safe place to go,'' she said. ''But it was dangerous even in the car, because you never knew when they would stop you and search you or discover you're American. We covered up. We covered our hair and arms, wore sunglasses.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Mayor David Dinkins and city business and congressional leaders warned Friday that a proposed federal tax on stock and bond sales would devastate the economy and throw thousands of people out of work.

Dinkins said the tax would drive the securities industry overseas and possibly push the country into a recession.

The Bush administration has proposed the stock transfer excise tax of 0.5 percent as a way of closing the federal deficit.

But Dinkins said it would immediately throw 10,000 people out of work in the city's financial sector and another 18,000 in related local jobs.

He said that by boosting the cost of trading, the tax would reduce the volume of the U.S. securities market, which is centered in New York, and cut the value of American stocks, costing investors billions of dollars.

''The Bush administration and Congress must relaize that the short- and long-term costs of a securities Transfer Excise Tax are too grave to ignore,'' Dinkins said. ''With this tax, our ability to invest and compete will move backward, not forward, as we begin the 1990s.''

Joining the mayor to denounce the proposal were several local congressmen, business leaders and City Comptroller Elizabeth Holtzman, who said the value of the city's pension funds would drop by $1.2 billion to $1.9 billion if the tax was enacted.

Holtzman said public and private pension funds across the country also would be hurt by the tax.

She said the value of publicly traded equities could fall by as much as $325 billion nationwide.

Rep. Charles Schumer said there was a ''good chance'' of killing the proposal in Congress.

The Brooklyn Democrat said the New York congressional delegation was united against it and hoped to receive help from Illinois, since the tax would hurt the futures industry based in Chicago.

The delegation also might get support in its fight from congressmen from other cities, such as Los Angeles, Boston and Philadelphia, which would suffer under the tax.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 5 to 8 points lower. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	11.10	11.19	11.07	11.16	11.24
Mar	10.82	10.94	10.79	10.91	10.96
May	10.80	10.92	10.80	10.92	10.98
Jly	10.82	10.93	10.82	10.93	10.98
Oct	10.87	10.98	10.87	10.98	11.04

Estimated sales: 15,593 contracts

Open interest: 117,655 off 216

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.15

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday 12 points higher to 6 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.32	23.33	23.29	23.30	23.35
Jan	23.00	23.05	23.00	23.02	23.08
Mar	22.93	22.93	22.93	22.90	22.91
May	22.95	22.95	22.90	22.90	22.92
Jly	22.91	22.95	22.91	22.91	22.92
Sep	22.90	....	....	22.90	22.92
Nov	22.90	....	....	22.80	22.68

Estimated sales: 284 contracts

Open interest: 10,498 up 205

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - President Bush will use the Helsinki summit to ask the Soviet Union to pull all its military advisers from Iraq and to play a more direct role in the multinational forces arrayed against Saddam Hussein, senior U.S. officials said Friday.

Bush was scheduled to arrive in the Finnish capital Saturday for seven hours of hastily arranged talks on Sunday with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, the third formal meeting of the superpower leaders in less than a year.

As Soviet and American officials describe the encounter, it will be relatively informal, in the pattern of the meeting at Malta in December 1989 or the informal talks at the Camp David presidential retreat that followed their formal sessions in Washington last spring.

A senior American official, speaking on the basis of no further

identification, told reporters the Persian Gulf crisis and the international effort to isolate Iraqi President Saddam will be the main topic of the meeting, but not the only one.

The official said that a photograph of the two leaders together after agreeing on further cooperative action to force a withdrawal of Iraqi troops from occupied Kuwait ''would be a very helpful signal'' to send to Saddam.

West German political leader Oskar LaFontaine, who met with Bush at the White House Friday, said the president ''pointed out that he was trying to coordinate gulf policy with Gorbachev and ... that he's well aware of the historic cooperation that exists between the Soviet Union and Iraq.''

The U.S. official said it would be useful but not essential for the Soviets to send ground forces to join the 27 nations that have sent, or intend to send, forces to the Persian Gulf. More than 100,000 U.S. troops are in Saudi Arabia and 50 U.S. warships are operating in the region to protect strategically important oil supplies.

Alexei Vassilev, a top Soviet official and adviser to the Supreme Soviet, told a news conference Friday, ''I can't imagine President Gorbachev could find it possible to send any military forces. There is a strong feeling in public opinion against the use of Soviet forces.''

''But,'' Vassilev said, ''I wouldn't rule out sending one or two ships, in a move that would be more symbolic and psychological than real.''

Another Soviet official, Konstantin Jrouevtsev, head of the Arab department of the Soviet Academy of Sciences, agreed, saying, ''The domestic situation in the Soviet Union is so grave that any event abroad would lead to disturbances inside the Soviet Union and adversely affect Gorbachev's popularity.''

The senior American official said the issue of the Soviet military advisers remaining in Iraq would be raised by Bush in Helsinki. Moscow has said it has 193 uniformed military advisers left in Iraq, as well as about 6,000 civilians and dependents.

The Soviet advisers have been described as being mainly involved in overseeing previously contracted military supplies to Iraq.

The U.S. official said the Soviets have been helpful in the international effort in ''the first post-Cold War crisis,'' and the two leaders also will discuss how to make further use of a United Nations that has been revitalized with the waning of superpower acrimony.

For their part, the Soviets were expected to point out that they have

suffered severe economic harm, including the loss of Iraqi oil, and the virtual cancellation $5 billion Baghdad owes Mosocw for military sales.

At the same time, the Soviet economy is on the verge of collapse, with everything from cigarettes to bread and vodka reported in short supply.

Diplomatic officials said Gorbachev is expected to request some short-term economic help from Bush, although the seven leading industrial nations agreed at their July summit in Houston to withhold direct financial support until there has been a basic reform of the Soviet economic system.

One official said the Soviets are expected to ask for American help in upgrading the pipelines and oil-field equipment.

The Soviets have informed some of the foreign customers for Soviet gas and oil that contracts cannot be honored because Soviet pipelines are so leaky and decrepit that a safe flow of oil and gas is not possible.

U.S. officials said that arms control issues will not be a major consideration at the Helsinki meeting.

One State Department source said the strategic arms reduction negotiations in Geneva have progressed steadily until there is only ''a long list of minor, nuts-and-bolts issues to be dealt with, not the sort of thing that requires high-level intervention from the leaders.''

The official said talks on reducing conventional forces in Europe also have progressed, but a few technical issues remain to be settled, including definition of planes and helicopters to be restricted on both sides.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 7) UPI - Weekly grain range on the Chicago Board of Trade:

	High	Low	Close	Wk Ago	Yr Ago
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.66 1/2	2.55 1/4	2.62 3/4	2.62 1/2	3.97
Dec	2.83	2.72 1/4	2.79 3/4	2.77 1/2	4.05 3/4
Mar	2.94 3/4	2.84	2.92 1/4	2.88 1/4	4.07 3/4
May	3.01 1/2	2.91	2.98 1/4	2.95 1/2	3.92 1/2
Jly	3.07	2.98	3.03 1/2	3.01 1/2	3.60 3/4
Sep	3.08	3.04 1/2	3.07 1/2	3.07	3.67
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.44 1/2	2.38 1/2	2.38 3/4	2.43 1/4	2.36 1/2

Dec	2.37 3/4	2.32	2.34	2.33 1/4	2.38
Mar	2.46 3/4	2.41	2.43	2.42	2.45 1/4
May	2.52 3/4	2.48	2.49 1/2	2.49 1/4	2.50 1/2
Jly	2.56 3/4	2.52 1/2	2.53 1/2	2.53 1/2	2.52
Sep	2.55	2.52 3/4	2.53	2.53	2.43

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	1.11 1/2	1.05 1/2	1.08 1/2	1.05	1.36 1/4
Dec	1.21 3/4	1.18	1.19	1.17 1/2	1.47
Mar	1.33	1.30	1.30 1/4	1.29 1/4	1.56 3/4
May	1.39 1/2	1.36	1.36 3/4	1.36	1.62
Jly	1.44	1.43 1/2	1.42 3/4	1.42	1.65 1/4

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	6.17 1/2	6.00	6.12 1/4	6.01	5.96 3/4
Nov	6.32	6.14	6.26 1/2	6.13 3/4	5.89
Jan	6.45	6.27 1/2	6.40 1/4	6.27 1/4	5.99 1/2
Mar	6.59	6.41	6.53 3/4	6.40	6.08 1/2
May	6.67	6.48	6.61 3/4	6.47	6.17 3/4
Jly	6.73	6.54	6.67	6.54	6.22 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Sep	24.49	23.97	24.10	24.17	19.00
Oct	24.43	23.86	24.01	24.01	19.14
Dec	24.59	23.95	24.11	24.06	19.58
Jan	24.71	24.12	24.26	24.19	19.81
Mar	24.90	24.30	24.47	24.38	20.20
May	25.05	24.42	24.75	24.55	20.47

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	181.50	173.50	178.90	173.80	198.40
Oct	182.50	175.30	180.60	175.70	189.00
Dec	186.00	179.10	184.20	179.60	185.80
Jan	187.30	181.00	185.60	181.10	185.30
Mar	190.00	184.00	188.20	184.20	185.10
May	192.00	187.50	189.60	186.30	184.50

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Action Indus (4th Q 6-30)	
$20,232,600	$23,742,400
d-$16,903,000	$86,900 (.01)

d-Deficit.

Child World (2nd Q 8-4)
$150,823,000 $136,641,000
d-$8,539,000 d-$5,140,000
d-Deficit

Crown Books (2nd Q 7-31)
$48,878,000 $44,661,000
a-$2,001,000 (.38) $1,352,000 (.26)
a-Includes pretax gain of $1,829,000 on sales of shares in Bookstop Inc.

FHP Intl (4th Q 6-30)
$281,354,000 $199,322,000
a-$6,437,000 (.25) $7,676,000 (.33)
a-Includes malpractice reserve addion charge of $8.25 million (pretax).

General Host (2nd Q 8-12)
$113,135,000 $109,033,000
d-$528,000 d-$2,875,000
d-Deficit.

Highland Superstores (2nd Q 7-31)
$196,491,000 $198,461,000
d-$2,035,000 d-$2,666,000
d-Deficit

John Labatt (1st Q 7-31)
$1,469,000,000 $1,374,000,000
$50,000,000 (.57) $44,000,000 (.55)
In Canadian rate

Northwest Drug (1st Q 7-31)
$28,100,000 $32,800,000
$20,222 (.02) $113,089 (.09)

Spartech (3rd Q 7-28)
$41,004,000 $47,194,000
$759,000 (.11) d-$1,174,000
d-Deficit.

Southern Electronics (4th Q 6-30)
$27,400,000 $23,048,000
$711,000 (.24) $851,000 (.30)

System Indus (4th Q 7-21)
$24,250,000 $22,846,000
$437,000 (.08) d-$1,473,000
d-Deficit.

Trak Auto (2nd Q 7-31)
$76,233,000 $68,713,000
$1,133,000 (.20) $843,000 (.15)

Volt Info Svcs (3rd Q 8-3)
$128,955,000 $128,381,000
$2,936,000 (.54) $4,169,000 (.68)

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $43 to $49 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 3.25 to 4 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 3.85 to 7.25 cents a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.16 to 0.55 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.20 an ounce lower across the board for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $0.10 to $0.50 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.15 to 4.50 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 2.40 to 3 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract. On the CBOT 2 to 3 cents higher for a 1,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.005 to 0.008 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90250u1435 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (SEPT. 7) UPI - Customs agents conducting a routine cargo inspection at Miami International Airport stumbled across $135 million in stolen British bonds, in what officials Friday described as the largest such seizure in U.S. history.

The 71 negotiable bearer bonds, each worth an estimated $1.9 million, were discovered late Thursday afternoon inside a small package, sandwiched between the pages of two telephone books bound for Lima, Peru, officials

said. Customs officials said the bonds were among $554.5 million in securities stolen May 2 from an international courier in London.

"Since that time there has been the worldwide search to find this half billion dollars," said Customs spokesman Mike Sheehan. "Yesterday, we were doing a routine examination. They (Customs agents) were at Miami International Airport, checked a flight, opened a box and found this."

The examination was part of Operation Buckstop, an effort to stem the illegal flow of currency out of the country. Although no arrests have been made in connection with the seizure, officials said their investigation is ongoing.

The package containing the bonds listed a Miami hotel as the return address, and identified the sender as Anthony Gallagher. The package was addressed to Adela Martinez in Lima, Peru.

"We believe the person who dropped off the package in Miami had an Irish accent and may have been Gallagher," said Bill Rosenblatt, the special agent in charge of south Florida operations. "Currently, we are uncertain who these two people are," he added. "It is quite possible these are aliases."

Rosenblatt said Customs inspectors were drawn to the package aboard the Aero Peru cargo flight because of the contract between the surnames. Otherwise, there was nothing unusual about the package, he said.

Rosenblatt speculated that if the bonds had reached Peru, they would have been laundered before being used as collateral for loans. Officials said they did not know how the bonds reached Miami.

Sheehan said the bonds had been missing since a London thief armed with a knife made off with a satchel containing 292 individual securities. With the 71 securities seized Thursday, officials have recovered all but about nine securities worth about $10 million, Sheehan said.

Other securities were recovered in London, Cyprus, Scotland, Germany and New York, officials said. Fourteen people have been arrested in connection with the theft.

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#90250u1436 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 7) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.60 3/4-2.64 3/4 off 1-3.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.12 1/4-6.12 1/2 off 5-5 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.38 3/4- 2.39 off 4 1/4-5 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.44-2.47 1/2 off 3 3/4-8 1/4.

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#90250u1444 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (SEPT. 7) UPI - The House of Commons overwhelming approved the government's handling of the Persian Gulf conflict Friday, and Defense Secretary Tom King announced more British troops will be deployed to the gulf region.

After two days of debate, the Commons endorsed Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's response to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait by a vote of 437 to 35.

Little opposition was voiced during Parliament's first extraordinary debate since Argentina invaded the Falkland Islands in 1982.

King said more British troops would be dispatched to the gulf. Their composition is under consideration, he said, deferring questions on the number and type of troops.

The British naval and air force presence in the gulf already is costing the country $1.89 million a day, King said. In addition to the operating cost, the tab for deploying the 5,000 troops and their equipment was $142 million.

The deployment of reinforcements is influenced by a variety of factors, he said.

''We are considering this matter, but against the background of some of the figures that I have already given to the House, against the possible threat that still exists, against the overall imperative of insuring that there is no further aggression, and that the defensive shield of Saudi Arabia and of the neighboring gulf states is insured, and to insure that the effective action that we are taking through the United Nations is successful,'' King said.

Labor's defense spokesman MP Martin O'Neill said the gulf conflict was potentially the most serious crisis since World War II.

''Our troops are literally going to have to sweat it out,'' O'Neill said.

''It will be a game of nerves. We will have to wait until Saddam attacks or is replaced. It will be a waiting game.''

About 250 British women and children arrived at London's Gatwick Airport from the gulf early Friday, the biggest group to get out since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait five weeks ago. Aboard the British Airways jumbo jet were 78 children and 20 babies. Most of them were in the bus convoy that left Kuwait for Baghdad Tuesday.

They were relieved to be home but also expressed some anger at Thatcher's hard-line attacks on Saddam.

''Margaret Thatcher's going on and on about it. Let those women go before she had a go at Suddam. We were waiting for him to change his mind,'' said Alison Bouhamed. About 2,000 Britons remain in Kuwait.

Other women told of hiding in cupboards to avoid being found by Iraqi troops.

The Foreign Office said another 140 to 150 Britons were in Baghdad applying for exit visas.

British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd planned to fly to Tokyo Saturday to discuss the gulf conflict with his counterpart and the prime minister. He was expected to ask Japan to come up with more financial support for the Western military effort than the $1 billion Tokyo already has promised.

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(SEPT. 7) - Bond Calendar - New Issues Scheduled for Public Sale

U.S. GOVERNMENT & FEDERAL AGENCIES (Week of Sept. 10)
Sept. 10 - $18.4 billion 13-, 26-week T-bills ($1.6 billion in new cash).

TAX-EXEMPT NOTES & BONDS - (Week of Sept. 10) - Courtesy of The Bond Buyer (Issues are to be negotiated unless otherwise noted)

$750 million New York, N.Y. general obligation bonds.
$235 million Chicago, Ill., general airport revenue bonds.
$223 million Connecticut Housing Finance Authority refunding revenue bonds.
$198 million Louisiana general obligation bonds (competitive).
$140 million Nebraska Investment Financing Authority mortgage revenue bonds.
$100 million Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (competitive).
$87 million Tennessee Housing Development Agency revenue bonds.
$81 million Charlotte, N.C., general obligation bonds (competitive).

$75 million Houston, Tex., revenue bonds (competitive).
$50 million Hawaii Housing Finance revenue bonds.
$46 million Gregg County, Texas, Health Facilities Development Corp. hospital revenue bonds.

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#90250u1465 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.92

60 to 89 days 7.85

90 to 119 days 7.77

120 to 149 days 7.77

150 to 179 days 7.76

180 to 270 days 7.65

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.97 - 7.75

Issuers 30 days 7.92

Issuers 90 days 7.62

Issuers 270 days 7.42

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.00

60 to 89 days 8.00

90 to 119 days 8.00

120 to 149 days 8.02

150 to 179 days 8.02

180 days 8.02

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

1 month 8.00 - 8.125

3 month 8.00 - 8.125

6 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

Year 8.125 - 8.25

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.40 - 7.38

6 months 7.35 - 7.33

Year 7.24 - 7.22

Federal Funds: High 8 1/8, Low 8 1-16, Close 8 1-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.861 up 0.050.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90250u1469 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - The festering crisis in the Middle East and economic uncertainties at home have pushed mortgage rates up about 0.5 percent, translating into higher payments of about $40 a month, the Mortgage Bankers Association said Friday.

James Nelson, the association's president-elect, said the prospects for

even higher mortgage rates are good should the Middle East standoff erupt into a shooting war.

''It's safe to say we think (rates are) at a peak,'' Nelson said. ''All bets are off if we start shooting at each other.''

Mortgage rates spiked to 10.7 percent during August from 10.2 percent at the end of July.

On Friday, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. reported interest rates for 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages fell to 10.19 percent from 10.24 percent while adjustable-rate notes slid to 8.29 percent from 8.30 percent the week before.

Nelson, who is also president of Eberhardt Mortgage Co. of Minneapolis, said mortgage rates are likely to ''stabilize'' at their current high levels during the next few months, making short-term, adjustable-rate mortgages more attractive.

''We hope long-term rates will come down somewhat once there is a better definition of the situation in the Middle East,'' Nelson said.

Extreme volatility in the mortgage market and tightened mortgage underwriting standards have given some prospective first-time homebuyers fits during the summer, the association said.

Sixty percent of the 30 mortgage bankers surveyed by the association said their companies have tightened lending requirements. Nelson said saving for a down payment continues to be the major stumbling block facing first time buyers.

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The assocation's survey also showed a surprising upswing in the number of unmarried couples buying homes. Eighty-nine percent of the lenders surveyed said more unmarried couples - termed ''mingles'' by the association - are taking out home loans than five years ago.

Nelson attributed the increase to greater social acceptance - even among bankers - of couples living together outside of marriage.

''There's a recognition on the part of mortgage lenders that buyers of the 'mingle' category make good borrowers,'' Nelson said. ''I think it's an evolution that acknowledges social realities.''

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#90250u1473 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	55 1-4	up	3-8
AT&T Company	31	off	1-2
BCE Inc	31 3-8	off	1-2
Bell Atlantic	43 1-8	up	1 7-8
BellSouth	49 3-4	up	3-8
Exxon Corp	50 5-8	up	1-4
Ford Motor	35 1-8	up	7-8
Genl Electric	60 5-8	up	5-8
General Motor	37 7-8	up	1-2
GTE Corp	25 7-8	up	1-4
IBM Corp	105 3-8	up	3
Mobil Oil	66 3-4	up	1-2
Nynex Corp	69 7-8	up	1 3-8
Pac Gas & Elec	21 3-8	up	1-4
Pacific Telesis	40	up	1-8
Phila Electric	15 1-8	unch	
Sears Roebuck	28 7-8	off	1-8
Southern Co	23 7-8	up	1-2
Sthwestern Bell	48 1-4	up	3-4
US West Inc	35 1-8	up	3-4

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - --resending--

A federal appeals court in Denver has ruled 2-1 against government regulations that keep federally funded family planning clinics from offering abortion counseling or referrals. The 10th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that the regulations are unconstitutional. It said the regulations violate the rights that women have in making informed decisions about abortions.

A second denial has been given by a judge in Chicago as a father tries to get a court order to have three-and-a-year-old twins tested as possible bone marrow donors for their 12-year-old half-brother. The brother is dying of leukemia and a bone marrow transplant might offer some hope of survival. But the courts have turned down requests that the tests be taken.

Customs agents in Miami stumbled on 135-Million dollars in stolen British bonds in what officials say is the largest such seizure in U-S history. Customs spokesman Mike Sheehan says the 71 negotiable bonds were discovered yesterday afternoon and were among 554-Million dollars in securities stolen last May from a London courier. Sheehan says the bonds were found during a routine inspection at Miami International Airport. NO

arrests were made.

The massive Gilley's Club honky-tonk may fall victim to the wrecking ball in the next 30 days. The 60-thousand-square-foot night spot in Pasadena, Texas, was swept by an arson fire July 5th and it has been declared unsafe. Gilley's gained its early fame in the ''Urban Cowboy'' fad of the early 1980's.

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#90250u1481 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

(repeating & correcting)

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1105.0
Thursday	1110.4
Week ago	1114.1
Month ago	1122.0
Year ago	1089.3
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90250u1501 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

LAS VEGAS, NE (SEPT. 7) UPI - Sales and marketing executives of Australia's Foster's Brewing Company and its U.S. marketing and importing companies Friday unveiled a new $10 million futuristic advertising campaign designed to poke fun at more traditional beer advertising.

The campaign, revealed during two days of meetings in Las Vegas, begins next month and features three 30-second spots which utilize the talents of SFX, the special effects and make-up experts behind the movie "Alien" to create humorous, futuristic-looking vignettes that parody the stilted chatter of bar-goers and conventional beer ads.

The ads, which were created by AC&R Advertising of New York, also feature James Brown's party classic, "I Feel Good," Sports Illustrated swimsuit models Rachel Hunter and Kathy Ireland and the tagline "Break the Mold with Foster's, It's Australian Beer."

"The ads are being launched in mid-October during World Series telecasts, with heavy saturation in major markets including New York and Los Angeles " said Jim Mullahy, vice president of marketing for Molson Breweries USA, Foster's U.S. marketing and importing company.

"They are being supplemented with major print and radio campaigns. We think

they'll be a major force in our push to gain market share in the U.S., to surpass the 26 percent growth we're experiencing this year in 1991," Mullahy said. The new ads mean that Foster's will say goodbye to Paul Hogan, the Australian actor who has been a popular spokesman for the company since 1986.

"We decided not to use Paul Hogan because we wanted to de-emphasize Foster's Australian heritage," said John Barnett, the president and chief executive of Molson. The new ad campaign is being used to introduce a new low-calorie Foster's Light Lager and Foster's Draught to promote its regular brand of beer.

Foster's is expected to sell about 3.5 million cases of beer this year. The import leader, Heineken, will sell about 20 million cases and Molson will sell 14 million.

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#90250u1510 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

KIGALI, RWANDA (SEPT. 7) UPI - Pope John Paul II flew into the small central African country of Rwanda on a hot humid Friday afternoon for a two-day visit to the country's 3.06 million Catholics.

He spoke immediately of his sorrow at the famine which earlier this year killed about 200 people and brought thousands to the edge of starvation in the overpopulated, over-farmed Rwandan hills.

Stepping from an Air France Boeing 747 at the capital Kigali''s airport, he gave his traditional salute to the country''s soil, dropping to his knees and kissing the ground as he has always done on visiting a country for the first time.

He was met by Rwanda's president, 53-year-old Gen. Juvenal Habyarimana, who has ruled his tiny country of 10,169 square miles - about the size of Belgium - since 1973.

''On the threshold of my visit, my thoughts go out to the whole of the Rwandan people and more particularly to those who are suffering,'' the Pope said.

''I know that a serious famine recently struck a part of the country and that in some regions the famine took on tragic dimensions. I commend to God those victims who succumbed,'' the Pope added.

Rwanda has 6.9 million mouths to feed from its steep-sided hills and is the most densely populated country in Africa with an average density of 675 people per square mile.

President Habyarimana, in appeals this year for international food aid, has pointed out however that in parts of the country the density is close to a staggering 2,560 people per square mile.

Poor harvest precipitated a brief crisis in February this year, and emergency food brought mainly from neighboring Uganda came too late for at least 200 people.

The pope drove from the airport past huge cheering crowds of people, some of whom had waited all day for a glimpse of the pontiff. They lined roads decorated with cut and replanted banana palms.

''Papa, Papa,'' they chanted. The pope was scheduled to pay a brief evening visit to Kigali''s cathedral.

John Paul flew in from Burundi, Rwanda's southern neighbor after a two-day visit in which he urged Burundians to put aside their tribal differences, curb their own population growth through stricter morality and view AIDS as an ethical problem.

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#90250u1511 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

HAYDENVILLE, MA (SEPT. 7) UPI - The owners of New England Monthly magazine, which has been losing more than $1 million a year, said Friday the award-winning publication is closing, a victim of the area's collapsing economy.

The September issue, published in mid-August, will be its last, said John Van de Kamer, president of New England Monthly Holdings Inc., which bought the publication about 18 months ago. The magazine struggled for six years to hack out a market niche for a top-quality publication in the six-state region.

New England Monthly provided the first-rate writing, with both fiction and journalism from the likes of novelist John Updike and Tracy Kidder, author of such non-fiction books as "House" and "Soul of a New Machine."

But it could never put together enough circulation in a clearly defined market to attract sufficient advertising. New England Monthly claimed 120,000 circulation.

Van de Kamer said the magazine lost "well in excess of $1 million last year" and he projected it would have lost "a million-plus every year" in the foreseeable future had it continued to publish.

A group that included Van de Kamer's Telemedia Inc. and the Southam newspaper chain, both of Canada, bought the magazine when it was already

threatened with extinction. But Van de Kamer said the swiftness of the reversal in New England's economic fortunes surprised them and sealed the magazine's fate. "The turn-down (in New England's economy) was pretty fast. Frankly, we didn't see it (as being) as sharp and as fast as it happened."

The founders of the magazine, Daniel Okrent, and publisher Robert Nylen, both alumni of Texas Monthly, had sought in some ways to repeat the success of the Texan magazine.

Although some critics have argued that New England Monthly could never pull together a single identity in a region of six disparate states, the current editor and publisher, Richard Todd, disputed that.

He said New England's culture and history make it quite unified. "What it doesn't have is a single government. And its markets are a little diffused." However, "in terms of culture, it's very much a region." "This recession really took the starch out of us. Had things kept going along as they had been, we'd still be here."

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#90250u1519 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2619.55	up	23.26
20 Trans	908.28	up	16.08
15 Utils	200.89	up	2.64
65 Stocks	910.46	up	10.86

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#90250u1532 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2619.55	up	23.26	908.28	up	16.08	200.89	up	2.64
Thursday	2596.29	off	31.93	892.20	off	5.54	198.25	off	0.19
Week ago	2614.36	up	21.04	901.44	up	0.18	195.93	up	2.21
Month ago	2716.58	off	42.33	974.82	off	23.36	203.09	off	1.39
Year ago	2709.54	up	2.66	1473.68	off	7.29	215.98	off	1.32
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90250u1545 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.50	unchanged
10 Public Utils	90.31	off 0.07
10 Industrials	88.70	up 0.07

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#90250u1546 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
TORONTO (SEPT. 7) UPI - Businesses reacted cautiously Friday to the election of Ontario's first socialist government, but most feel a wholesale political and economic realignment won't happen.

Premier-elect Bob Rae and the New Democratic Party won with a decisive victory Thursday that many analysts found surprising, sweeping the five-year-old Liberal government and Premier David Peterson out of office. The NDP won 74 of the 130 seats in Ontario's legislature, with the Liberals hanging on to 36 and the Progressive Conservatives capturing 20.

David McFadden, president of the Toronto-based Canada-U.S. Business Association, said Rae is an intelligent and seasoned politician who realizes the Ontario economy is on the verge of a recession and therefore must be managed cautiously. McFadden said Rae may act on one or two promises of "symbolic importance" to the NDP, but wholesale change is unlikely.

Rae told reporters Thursday night the business community is "sophisticated and understanding enough" to know that the party will work with them. "We've done it in many countries in Western Europe which are very prosperous and have a very dynamic marketplace," Rae said of other socialist governments. "That's the kind of economy which we very much want to run here."

Fred Ketchen, a senior trader at ScotiaMcLeod Inc., said initial reaction in the investment community was "negative but cautiously negative." "Cautious simply because we don't quite know yet what Bob Rae really stands for," Ketchen said.

Rae is expected to have his hands full with about 60 novice politicians and a platform widely described as anti-business. The NDP's key business-related policies include a minimum eight percent tax on corporate profits, a state-run car insurance plan, higher minimum wages and tighter pay equity laws.

The NDP also has talked about stricter rent-control laws, affirmative action legislation, freezing the development of nuclear power, taxes on

property speculators and an inheritance tax on estates valued at more than $1 million.

Linda Matthews, president of the Ontario Chamber of Commerce, said she believes "there is room for common ground" between the new government and the business community. "It's the economic prosperity of the province that will ensure the success of social programs," Matthews said.

In a policy document for the election, the NDP outlined a series of proposals that would add $3.57 billion to the province's annual tab, but only detailed $2.04 billion in new taxes to cover the increased costs.

Paul Pannkuk, an analyst with the New York-based bond rater Standard & Poor's, said Ontario could keep its top ranked triple AAA rating even if Rae runs up major deficits.

Pannkuk said the province has "a fair cushion of fiscal flexibility" that would allow it to run a deficit for several years without harming its bond rating. But he said the rating will be reviewed after the NDP government issues its first budget.

The Canadian dollar and Toronto's stock exchange were both off in early trading Friday. The Canadian dollar, which closed Thursday at 86.49 cents, was off nearly three-quarters of a cent at 85.79 cents at the opening before recovering to 85.97 cents at midday.

The Toronto Stock Exchange's 300 Composite Index was off 24.1 points, less than one percent, at 3,288.7 points at noon. Thirteen of the index's 14 sub-groups were down with financial services issues leading the way. "Sometimes the assumption of power moderates some of the policies that you have put forward in an election campaign," Ketchen said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2589.60	2635.89	2577.72	2619.55	up 23.26
20 Trans	889.42	914.57	886.28	908.28	up 16.08
15 Utils	198.19	202.15	197.75	200.89	up 2.64
65 Stock	897.51	916.31	894.00	910.46	up 10.86

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	16,176,400	16,011,000
Trans	3,205,700	2,155,600

Utils	2,285,400	2,814,700
65 Stock	21,667,500	20,981,300

Bonds	Close	Net	Chg.
20 Bonds	89.50	unch	
10 Public Utils	90.31	off	0.07
10 Industrials	88.70	up	0.07

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 133.84 up 0.29.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	177.51	up	1.45
ASE Market Value Index	323.77	off	0.73
Dow-Jones Industrial	2619.55	up	23.26

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 16 to 55 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	73.30	73.75	73.20	73.66	73.48
Dec	72.45	73.00	72.25	72.94	72.71
Mar	73.55	74.25	73.40	74.25	73.83
May	74.20	74.95	73.95	74.88	74.55
Jly	74.45	75.00	74.35	75.00	74.45
Oct	70.05	70.05	70.05	70.53	70.37
Dec	68.20	68.60	68.20	68.65	68.25

Estimated sales: 5,500 contracts
Open interest: 34,702 up 856
The World spot average: 71.83

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#90250u1563 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks	-	10,140,000 shares
1990 to date	-	2,437,449,010
Bonds	-	$2,370,000
1990 to date	-	$495,101,000

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#90250u1564 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:
Stocks - 123,800,000 shares
1990 to date - 27,513,509,712
Warrants - 640,100
1990 to date - 174,588,900

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#90250u1566 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (SEPT. 7) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Friday - 7,875,000
1990 to date - 1,757,461,000

The market closed higher.

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#90250u1580 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 324.54, low 323.32, close 323.77, off 0.73.

There was a loss of 3 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,140,000 shares, compared with 10,560,000 Thursday.
What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	3
New Lows	31
Advances	275
Declines	231
Unchanged	229
Total Issues	735

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#90250u1583 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	323.77	off	0.73
High Technology	326.89	up	1.90
Capital Goods	349.17	up	1.20
Consumer Goods	387.75	up	0.93
Service	714.03	up	0.25
Retail	1045.90	up	0.94
Financial	376.89	off	1.01

Natural Resources	247.69	off 2.06
Housing-Const-Land	334.45	up 1.57

There was a loss of 3 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS		
New England	408.97	up 0.46
Mid Atlantic	414.21	up 0.22
No Central	447.93	up 0.85
So Atlantic	929.48	up 1.90
So Central	315.64	up 1.17
Mountain	114.42	up 1.42
Pacific	380.33	up 0.71
Foreign	243.53	off 2.39

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#90250u1593 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - Because of tensions created by the gulf crisis, the Peace Corps has quietly pulled its contingent of 46 volunteers out of Yemen, officials confirmed Friday.

According to Peace Corps officials, the U.S. ambassador in Sanaa, Yemen, Charles Dunbar, decided that the volunteers should be removed for their own safety. Without any public announcement, they were flown out of the country two weeks ago.

Most of the 46 volunteers had been working in provincial villages, working either as language teachers or agricultural advisers. It was the only Peace Corps contingent in any Middle East Arab country.

Yemen was one of the few countries in the world to shown any sympathy for Iraq in the crisis. Shortly after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, there were anti-American demonstrations in Sanaa.

As a result the State Department issued a travel advisory, suggesting that all Americans defer travel to Yemen. The department ordered the departure of all non-essential embassy personnel and dependents, and advised private Americans to leave the country, in view of the potential danger.

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#90250u1595 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Friday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	$81,567,856	31 3/4	up 1/2
Oracle Syst	(ORCL)	72,120,832	8 1/8	off 1 3/4

Microsoft	(MSFT)	40,249,112	57 3/4	up	1/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	36,800,032	68 1/4	up	1/4
Genetic Inst	(GENI)	36,742,964	31 1/4	off	1 1/4
Amgen	(AMGN)	27,512,704	44 3/4	up	3/4
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	27,465,462	33 3/4	up	1/2
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	27,311,132	28 3/8	up	1/8
Apple Comptr	(AAPL)	17,428,586	36 3/8	up	5/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	15,996,182	48 3/4	off	1/8

Composite Index 166.63 up 0.69

NMS volume 82,359,304 shares.

Advances	795
Declines	649
Unchanged	1,375
Total	2,819

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#90250u1598 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	26.60-26.70	27.80-27.85
North Sea Brent	30.40-30.50	32.65-32.75
West Texas Intermed	30.00-30.05	31.45-31.50
Light Louisiana Sweet	31.65-31.75	33.10-33.20
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	103.05-103.55	104.10-104.35
No. 2 Heating oil	82.00-82.50	86.25-86.75
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	95.05-95.55	96.85-97.35
No. 2 Heating oil	81.10-81.25	85.25-85.35

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#90250u1599 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	379.48	230.48	127.97	23.76	320.46
Opening	378.63	230.15	127.86	23.72	319.81
11 a.m.	382.96	232.23	129.35	24.00	323.47
Noon	383.62	232.89	129.85	24.05	324.13
1 p.m.	383.39	232.41	129.87	23.08	324.00
2 p.m.	382.92	232.09	129.49	24.04	323.52
3 p.m.	382.96	232.31	129.66	24.04	323.60
Close	382.65	232.12	129.68	24.03	323.40
Change	up 3.17	up 1.64	up 1.71	up 0.27	up 2.94

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#90250u1608 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 7) UPI - A University of Chicago chemistry professor who helped develop the atomic bomb during World War II has died of a heart attack, hospital officials said Friday.

Nathan Sugarman, 73, died late Thursday at the University of Chicago Hospitals of a heart attack, a spokeswoman said.

Sugarman worked at the Los Alamos Science Laboratory in 1945 and 1946 when scientists were developing the atom bomb and ''was still doing research on nuclear reactions at the University of Chicago,'' said Tanya Macaloon, his daughter.

He began as a chemistry professor at the university in 1946 and retired in 1988 but never cut his ties with the institution, credited with beginning the Atomic Age on Dec. 2, 1942, with the creation of the first self-sustaining nuclear chain reaction.

''He worked with thousands of students and he either made them go into chemistry or get out of it,'' said Macaloon. ''He never gave the same lecture twice and would spend hours working on them.''

Sugarman was honored with the Quantrell award in 1966 for excellence in undergraduate teaching. A memorial service was scheduled for Tuesday at the university.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board

of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	245.00	248.60	245.00	246.70	245.80
Dec	247.25	250.70	247.25	248.90	248.05
Mar	....	....	....	252.15	251.30

Previous day volume: 89 contracts.
Open interest: 1,320 unchanged

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	319.75	324.80	319.75	323.65	320.75
Dec	323.10	328.50	323.10	327.40	324.40
Mar	326.10	331.20	326.10	330.40	327.40
Jun	....	335.00	339.50	334.50	331.50

Today's estimated volume: 56,283 contracts.
Open interest: 152,043 up 2,358

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	175.30	178.35	175.30	177.65	175.80
Dec	177.20	180.40	177.20	179.70	177.80
Mar	179.30	181.75	179.30	181.55	179.65

Open interest: 6,497 up 294

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	528.00	536.50	527.50	535.00	529.95
Oct	537.25	538.50	535.50	537.70	531.80

Estimated volume 3,920 contracts.
Open interest: 7,318 off 131

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - Blues musician B.B. King, opera singer Beverly Sills and actress Jessica Tandy were among the 12 Americans and one corporation named Friday as recipients of the sixth annual National Medal of the Arts.

The award, proposed by Ronald Reagan and created by Congress, is designed to honor those who have encouraged the arts through achievement or support.

Recipients of this year's awards will receive their medals Monday at a White House ceremony hosted by President and Barbara Bush.

In addition to King, of Las Vegas, and Sills and Tandy, both of New York, the other winners include:

-George Francis Abbott, actor and director, of Forrestville, N.Y.

-Hume Cronyn, actor and director, New York City.

-Merce Cunningham, choreographer, New York City.

-Jasper Johns, painter and sculptor, New York City.

-David Lloyd Kreeger, patron, Washington, D.C.

-Jacob Lawrence, painter, Seattle.

-Harris and Carroll Masterson, patrons, Houston.

-Ian McHarg, landscape architect, Unionville, Pa.

-Southwestern Bell Corp., corporate patron, St. Louis.

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#90250u1624 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Toys R Us	2,449,000	23 1/8	off 5/8
AT&T Company	2,075,400	31 1/8	off 3/8
IBM Corp	1,634,700	105 1/2	up 3 1/8
MNC Financial	1,435,900	6 3/4	up 7/8
PepsiCo	1,408,100	25 1/4	up 3/4
Compaq Computer	1,337,200	44 5/8	off 7/8
Wal-Mart Stores	1,287,800	28	up 1/2
McDonalds Corp	1,233,600	27 7/8	up 1 1/8
Philip Morris	1,232,900	45 1/4	up 1/2
Boeing Company	1,228,900	47	off 1/4
Genl Electric	1,203,100	60 5/8	up 5/8
Fedl Natl Mtg	1,167,900	28 7/8	off 1/8
Motorola Inc	1,016,200	61 1/4	off 1/4
Eastman Kodak	969,100	40 1/2	off 1/4
Amer Express	924,900	24	up 1/2

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	380.38	up	1.60	381.21	471.31
Industrial	406.28	up	1.80	406.94	456.47
Finance	381.24	up	0.44	383.50	560.78

Insurance	446.70	up	2.55	445.53	540.73
Utility	509.87	up	2.00	510.24	744.19
Bank	282.18	off	0.22	287.01	489.95
Transport	413.97	up	5.94	413.51	469.84

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 393.49

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	166.63	up	0.69
Industrial Index	160.52	up	0.68
NASDAQ-100 Index	383.60	up	2.26

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#90250u1632 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Hillhaven Corp	453,600	1 1/2	unch
Salomon Phibro	418,200	4	off 1/8
Edisto Resources	378,900	18	off 1/4
Fruit of Loom	330,900	11	up 1/8
PW Group wtB	292,000	8 1/8	off 5/8
Salomon wt Feb	266,200	18	off 5/8
Salomon wt Jan	264,400	17	off 3/4
Cheyenne Softwr	243,200	7	up 3/4
Americus T2 sc	242,800	6 1/2	off 3/8
ICH Corp	242,000	3 5/8	up 1/4

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#90250u1635 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	11	14	4
New lows	69	81	91

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	907	71,537,600
Declines	554	33,752,800
Unchanged	494	18,509,600
Total	1,955	123,800,000

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#90250u1641 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 7) UPI - Officials in New Delhi now admit Baghdad refuses to let thousands of Indians leave Iraq and Kuwait unless rescue ships and planes arrive with cargoes of food. About 200-thousand Indians were working in Iraq and Kuwait at the time of the Iraqi invasion... only about 20-thousand of them have returned to India.

Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze says the Persian Gulf crisis is an opportunity to clear up Middle East woes under a U-N Security Council framework. Ending four days in Tokyo, Shevardnadze said the U-N could tackle the Arab-Israeli conflict and problems in Lebanon, after dealing with what he calls ''Iraqi aggression.''

Numerous religious leaders in Jordan are calling for a holy war. They believe the issue in the Persian Gulf crisis is NOT the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait... but a struggle by Islam against years of Western dominance. Many also see Kuwait as a monarchy that hoarded oil profits that should be shared among Arabs.

President Bush says his budget negotiators are ''somewhat optimistic'' they can reach agreement with Democrats soon. Bush spent less than 30 minutes at the opening of weekend talks at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland. Democratic leaders scrambled to counter a Republican formula for reaching those targets.

Deadly storms in Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana overnight headed east today... prompting flood and storm warnings in Pennsylvania and New York. In Lake Erie... powerful waves whipped by 57-mile-an-hour winds slammed a sailboat against a rocky wall in Cleveland last night... killing two women and leaving a third missing.

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#90250u1646 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 7) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday.

Stock	Close		Net Chg.
Chris Craft pfB	708 3/4	off	160 1/4
Berkshire Hath	6375	up	75
UAL Corp	100 1/4	up	8
Rockwell pf	173	up	7 3/8
Cap Cities ABC	490 1/2	up	5
Kyocera Corp	103 1/2	up	3 3/8
IBM Corp	105 1/2	up	3 1/8
Todd Ship pf	24 1/4	up	2 7/8
Metro Ed pf G	80 7/8	up	2 7/8

Matsushita El 125 1/2 up 2 7/8

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#90250u1649 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - The New York Post's unions put on a brave face Friday and said they were determined to keep the tabloid in business, as the clock ticked on a deadline for far-reaching financial concessions.

''They need the relief or they will go out of business,'' said Allied Trades Printing Council President George McDonald. ''I firmly believe that we have a crisis here.''

''We're all concerned and we're going to do everything possible to stay in business,'' he said at a midtown Manhattan news conference.

Citing a flow of red ink that has cost him $80 million in his two years of ownership, owner Peter Kalikow this week threatened to shut down the 189-year-old newspaper by Sept. 15 if he did not achieve up to $25 million in savings.

Two of Kalikow's top executives responded to a request for a brief meeting with leaders of the council, the umbrella group representing the 10 newspaper unions, and both left the meeting before the news conference smiling and trading jokes with some union officials.

Asked how efforts were going to beat the Sept. 15 deadline, one of them, Post General Manager Richard Nasti answered, ''Well. Things are good.''

The Post agreed to open its books to the unions, and McDonald said KPMG Peat Marwick accountants would pour over the accounts and report back to the unions by early next week.

He said round-the-clock negotiations with Post management representatives would begin Monday or Tuesday, although no hotel site had been secured yet.

Job security and other contract rules would be ''sacrosanct,'' and each union will negotiate separately over staffing and salary issues, said Theodore Kheel, a longtime newspaper contract mediator advising the union.

''Unless all of them agree, then the Post will go down the drain,'' he said.

Nonetheless, the Newspaper Guild, the newspaper's largest union, representing 337 editorial and advertising workers, voted at an angry meeting Thursday to reject Kalikow's first proposal for cuts that the union said totalled 46 percent in salaries and benefits.

Michael Alvino, president of the drivers union, said his 263 members had not voted on the propsoed givebacks yet, but had been asked to accept staffing and overtime cuts worth about 54 percent in costs.

Union officials raised concerns about the impact of contract concessions at the Post on the unions at the city's other three major newspapers, saying they would not cave in to unreasonable demands just to reach an agreement.

''If we happen to fail to reach agreement on the proposed concessions, we're not going to blame each other,'' said McDonald, who repeatedly contrasted the ''honest'' efforts by the Post with what he called a ''cynical'' spirit by the management of the Daily News, owned by Tribune Co., which has taken an aggressive bargaining stance toward its unions this year.

McDonald said he was optimistic, but acknowledged that ''everybody is still in shock.''

In the Post newsroom, one reporter said, ''The numbness hasn't left. Nobody still knows what's going to happen or if they'll be coming to work a week from Monday.''

Were the Post to be closed, it would leave the city - which once boasted as many as 12 daily newspapers - with just three major dailies - The News, The New York Times and New York Newsday. Since the 1960s, the city has seen the demise of a number of once-prominent papers, including the Mirror the Herald Tribune, the Journal-American, the World Telegram and Sun and the Long Island Press.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - Some analysts are disappointed by today's figures on UNemployment... five-point-six percent joblessness in August. That's the highest level in two years. But at least one economist says the Labor Department numbers show the American economy is ''holding its own'' despite the Middle East crisis.

South Africa's Ministry of Foreign Affairs says President de Klerk will be in Washington D-C September 24th to meet with President Bush. It will be the first official visit by a South African president to the United States in more than 40 decades of apartheid rule. Bush invited de Klerk to Washington after Pretoria adopted racial reforms last February.

Reports from Rangoon indicate Burma's military junta cited ''security reasons'' in the arrests of two acting leaders and four other members of a political party that swept recent elections. General Saw Maung says the

arrests of the two elderly moderates was part of action being taken to prevent unrest.

The number of newly reported AIDS cases worldwide in August reached one of its largest monthly increases in recent years. The World Health Organization today said 10-thousand cases were reported last month. The United States accounts for almost half of the cumulative total... with African countries making up much of the rest.

A California fire official will get a 500-thousand-dollar bill for accidentally igniting a 100-acre wildfire when he burned tree branches at his San Jose home. Forestry officials say the blaze Luke Goodrich started burned two days, causing 400 firefighters to work overtime using six helicopters to help bring the blaze under control.

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#90250u1662 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 7) UPI - Exiled Kuwaiti diplomats on Friday strongly defended the U.S.-led military buildup in the Persian Gulf, but said they would like the force to act quickly to restore Kuwait's ousted government.

The diplomats expressed bitterness and anger at some Arab states particularly Jordan, along with the Palestine Liberation Organization, for taking a soft line toward Iraq and its occupation of Kuwait.

''Military buildup in the gulf region became urgent after the Iraqi President (Saddam Hussein) unveiled his real faith and his expansionist plan, when he threatened Saudi Arabia after his troops invaded Kuwait,'' said one Cairo-based Kuwaiti diplomat who asked that his name not be used.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney disclosed Thursday that the United States had an estimated 100,000 U.S. troops in the region as part of Operation Desert Shield to counter Iraqi aggression.

In addition, Britain, France and several Arab states have sent naval and air troops to the region to beef up the American forces and other European Community states have sent warships. Japan has said it will send money to help support the operation.

Egyptian troops have been deployed at the Saudi-Kuwaiti border and would be the first to see combat if the standoff should deteriorate into a war.

Diplomatic sources said deposed Kuwaiti officials are pressuring Saudi Arabia and the U.S.-led Western forces to speed up the end of the crisis and force Iraq troops from the occupied emirate. But the Western forces apparently prefer to wait and see if a U.N.-imposed economic blockade against Iraq has the desired effect.

Iraqi authorities are holding male Westerners hostage at key economic and military installations in Iraq and Kuwait to guard against possible attack.

Kuwaitis worry they are getting lost as the Gulf crisis becomes larger and more complex.

''The hostage crisis became the major issue while the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait became secondary,'' one Kuwaiti diplomat said.

''In our view the major issue for us now is to liberate our country from the Iraqi occupation no matter the way it will take place,'' he said. ''We have to restore our legitimate government led by the Al Sabah family.''

''They (the U.S.-led force) are free to decide the means,'' he continued. ''It could be through a coup to topple Saddam Hussein or it could be a military strike to force Saddam to pull his troops out of Kuwait.

''In both cases wer are capable of rebuilding our country,'' he said.

The diplomat, along with Kuwaiti officials living in exile, expressed anger and bitterness over pro-Iraqi stands taken by Jordan and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

''What Saddam has done to Kuwait is similar to what Israel had done to the Palestinians,'' one Kuwaiti official in Cairo said.

''Why did (Jordan's) King Hussein and (PLO leader) Yasser Arafat side with Saddam Hussein,'' he asked. The diplomat accused the Palestinians living in Kuwait, where 400,000 were employed as workers, with aiding Iraqi soldiers after the invasion.

''They (the Palestinians) are acting as guides for the Iraqi soldiers,'' he said. ''They guided them to the homes of the members of the Al Sabah familiy. They are looting our homes and taking everything.''

Analysts say the Palestinians living in Kuwait will be the big loser in the Gulf crisis because they are dealing with a regime that could fall at any time.

''They (the Palestinians) are gambling on the Iraqi regime,'' the Kuwaiti official said. ''Nobody knows the future of this regime. A pro- Western one could come one day.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock

Exchange composite trading in the week ended September 7, 1990:

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
General Elec	6,216,000	61 3/8	59 5/8	60 5/8	off	1 3/8
AT&T Co	6,113,800	32 1/8	31	31 1/8	off	1 1/4
Toys R Us	5,717,700	25 3/4	22 1/2	23 1/8	off	2 1/4
IBM Corp	5,634,800	105 1/2	100 3/4	105 1/2	up	3 5/8
Exxon Corp	5,064,000	51 3/8	49 7/8	50 7/8	up	7/8
Wal-Mart Stores	4,920,200	28 7/8	27 1/4	28	off	1/2
Pinnacle West	4,892,500	13 1/8	12 1/4	13	off	3 1/8
Philip Morris	4,866,700	45 1/2	44	45 1/4	up	1/8
PepsiCo	4,585,800	25 7/8	24 1/4	25 1/4	up	3-16
Boeing Co	4,421,600	49 1/8	46 1/8	47	off	1 1/4
Motorola Inc	4,063,000	72	60 5/8	61 1/4	off	10 5/8
Eastman Kodak	4,060,000	41 3/4	40 1/8	40 1/2	up	1/4
Fed Natl Mtge	3,846,000	30 1/4	28 3/8	28 7/8	off	1
Compaq Comptr	3,760,100	48 1/4	44 1/8	44 5/8	off	1 3/4
Amer Express	3,569,900	24 1/8	23 1/8	24	off	1/8
Limited Inc	3,441,000	17	15 1/8	15 5/8	off	1 1/2
General Motor	3,317,700	39 1/8	36 3/4	37 5/8	off	2 1/8
MNC Financial	3,152,700	7 3/4	5 3/4	6 3/4	off	1
McDonalds Corp	3,090,500	28 1/8	26 1/2	27 7/8	unch	
Johnson Johnson	2,914,600	66 3/4	64	65 5/8	unch	

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Friday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	103,159,000
Advances	967
Declines	797
Unchanged	2,496
Total	4,260

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended September 7, 1990:

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	269,488,320	33 3/4	29 3/4	31 3/4	up 1/2
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	210,896,832	63	56 1/4	57 3/4	up 1/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	145,818,928	71 3/4	64 1/2	68 1/4	up 1/4
Oracle Systm	(ORCL)	128,647,064	12 1/8	6 1/2	8 1/8	off 1 3/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	124,775,664	34 1/8	32 7/8	33 3/4	up 1/2
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	96,181,528	30 1/8	27 3/4	28 3/8	up 1/8

Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	94,315,888	50 1/8	47	48 3/4	off	1/8
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	89,882,632	37 1/2	35 1/8	36 3/8	up	5/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	87,133,784	46	43	44 3/4	up	3/4
Adobe Systm	(ADBE)	77,447,464	29 1/4	24 1/2	27 1/4	off	1 1/2

NMS volume 377,498,800 shares.

Advances	958
Declines	1,032
Unchanged	826
Total	2,816

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	385.57	376.53	380.38	up	1.60
Industrial	406.61	401.26	406.28	up	1.80
Finance	381.84	380.19	381.24	up	0.44
Insurance	447.39	442.39	446.70	up	2.55
Utility	511.99	504.55	509.87	up	2.00
Bank	283.33	280.39	282.18	off	0.22
Transport	414.64	405.76	413.97	up	5.94

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-23) 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	166.63 up 0.69
Industrial Index	160.52 up 0.68
NASDAQ-100 Index	383.60 up 2.26
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.68 up 0.04
Volume	82,359,304 shares
Advances	795
Declines	649
Unchanged	1,375
Total	2,819

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.10	8.20	8.98

91-day Treasury bills	7.63	7.63	7.77
182-day Treasury bills	7.72	7.70	7.77
1-year Treasury bills	7.73	7.74	7.62
3-year Treasury notes	8.18	8.20	8.23
7-year Treasury notes	8.69	8.72	8.19
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.92	8.95	8.07
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.45	9.45	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.95	9.97	9.12
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.10	9.19	9.18
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.44	9.46	9.17
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.47	9.49	9.35
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.45	9.46	9.33

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90250u1715 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	177.79	175.77	177.51	up 1.45
Industrial	222.93	220.28	222.48	up 1.85
Transport	141.09	139.65	140.66	up 0.57
Utility	83.41	82.47	83.28	up 0.66
Finance	124.81	123.54	124.73	up 1.03

Equivalent to a gain of 25 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 123,800,000 shares.

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#90250u1718 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - The dollar closed mixed against major world currencies Friday after a government report on employment failed to sway the Federal Reserve Bank to lower interest rates.

Late in the New York trading session, the dollar was quoted at 1.568 German marks, up from 1.5565 Thursday, and at 140.00 Japanese yen, off from 140.65 Thursday.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.305 Swiss francs, up from 1.2975; 5.253 French francs, up from 5.2150; and 1,170.10 Italian lire, up from 1,161.50.

The British pound fell to $1.8930 from $1.9125 Thursday.

The much-anticipated Labor Department report on employment showed the U.S. civilian jobless rate climbed to 5.6 percent in August, the highest level in two years, as more factory and construction workers lost their jobs.

Many dealers had been anticipating a report so weak, however, as to prompt the Fed to ease monetary policy, analysts said.

''The interesting thing is what didn't happen,'' said Kevin Logan, chief economist in New York for Swiss Bank Corp.

''There was a lot of anticipation the Federal Reserve would ease its policy today based on anticipation of a weak employment report,'' he said. ''But the employment report was not as weak as some anticipated. It didn't show excessive weakness in the economy.

''Had the Fed eased, the dollar probably would have gone lower,'' he said. ''The lack of a Fed move and the relative stability of U.S. interest rates left the dollar essentially unchanged.''

In European trading, the U.S. dollar closed higher against the major European currencies.

The session began with all eyes on the pound, which at one point was more than two cents lower than the previous night's close of 1.9070, but it was the U.S. dollar which later dominated the scene.

The pound initially fell after heavy selling in the Far East overnight. Also pushing sterling down was a denial by the Chancellor of the Exchequer that he would be taking the unit into the European Exchange Rate Mechanism this weekend.

Along with the denial came a warning that inflation in Britain had not peaked yet and would breach the 10 percent level before falling later in the year.

The squeeze on the pound was halted with the release of the U.S employment figures.

In London, the pound closed down against the dollar at $1.8940 from

$1.9070.

The dollar closed higher in Frankfurt, up to 1.5660 German marks from Thursday's close of 1.5590, and it was also higher in Zurich to 1.3055 Swiss francs from 1.3010.

The dollar was up in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at 5.2285 French francs vs. 5.2055, 32.05 Belgian francs vs. 32.01, and 1,163.95 Italian lire vs. 1,158.90.

Earlier in Tokyo, the U.S. dollar plunged to an 11-month low against the Japanese yen as a strong expectation of a U.S. interest-rate cut gripped investors.

The dollar closed at 140.25 yen, down from Thursday's close of 141.65 yen, the Bank of Japan said. It was the lowest closing since Oct. 2, 1989, when the dollar closed at 139.30 yen.

Dealers said the dollar's trend was still bearish after the five straight losing sessions since Monday. Market players had anticipated the Fed would cut its key interest rate to stimulate the economy.

Gold closed unchanged in Zurich at $387.50 an ounce, but was down in London at $387 an ounce compared to $389.75 Thursday.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $390.50 an ounce, up from $390 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $389.50 an ounce, off from $389.70.

Silver closed unchanged in Zurich at $4.80 an ounce, and was down in London at $4.80 an ounce, from $4.89 an ounce.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.83 an ounce, up from $4.795. Comex silver finished at $4.80 an ounce, up from $4.77.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended September 7:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2590.84	2643.07	2577.72	2619.55	up 5.19
20 Trans	893.12	914.57	884.99	908.28	up 6.84
15 Utils	194.98	202.15	194.10	200.89	up 4.96

65 Stocks 896.24 916.31 889.91 910.46 up 6.67
20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

89.33 89.50 89.33 89.50 up 0.39
Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

132.52 133.84 132.52 133.84 up 1.38

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended September 7.

	30 Indus			20 Transp			15 Utils		
Monday	Holiday								
Tuesday	2613.37	off	0.99	896.08	off	5.36	196.05	up	0.12
Wednesday	2628.22	up	14.85	897.74	up	1.66	198.44	up	2.39
Thursday	2596.29	off	31.93	892.20	off	5.54	198.25	off	0.19
Friday	2619.55	up	23.26	908.28	up	16.08	200.89	up	2.64
Net Change		up	5.19		up	6.84		up	4.96

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended September 7 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	Holiday	160,041,102	Holiday	1,924,000
Tuesday	92,945,850	127,675,970	443,600	762,300
Wednesday	120,632,680	134,243,550	792,700	1,035,200
Thursday	125,622,850	120,888,960	106,800	599,000
Friday	123,802,280	96,490,960	640,100	485,600
Total	463,003,660	639,340,540	2,938,200	4,806,100

	Bonds	
	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ Holiday	$ 33,548,000
Tuesday	$ 20,082,000	$ 31,160,000
Wednesday	$ 40,318,000	$ 31,248,000
Thursday	$ 37,781,000	$ 26,625,000
Friday	$ 32,005,000	$ 20,760,000

Total	$130,186,000	$143,341,000

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Sept 7, 1990	38	308	909	896	326	2131
Aug 31, 1990	14	348	1433	507	214	2154
Sept 8, 1989	176	67	683	1109	350	2142
Sept 9, 1988	33	44	1130	683	323	2136

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#90250u1755 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending September 7.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	89.33	89.50	89.33	89.50	up 0.39
10 Utils	90.03	90.38	90.03	90.31	up 0.56
10 Indus	88.64	88.70	88.63	88.70	up 0.22

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#90250u1763 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 7) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Sept 7, 1990	9	165	343	403	209	995
Aug 31, 1990	9	210	568	273	155	996
Sept 8, 1989	79	36	375	404	222	1001

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#90250u1766 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended September 7:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	177.93	175,50	177.51	up 0.54
Industrial	223.18	219.99	222.48	up 0.74
Transportation	141.09	139.44	140.66	off 0.67
Utilities	83.41	82.22	83.28	up 0.21
Finance	124.81	123.37	124.73	up 0.38

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#90250u1767 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 7) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended September 7, 1990:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Chris Craft pfB	708 3/4	off 160 1/4
Berkshire Hath	6375	off 25
Cap Cities	490 1/2	up 14 1/2
Atlan Richfld pfC	334	up 12 1/8
Motorola Inc	61 1/4	off 10 5/8
Det Edison pf	154	off 8 1/2
UAL Corp	100 1/4	up 8 1/4
Enron pf	185	up 7 3/4
Rockwell Intl pf	173	up 7 3/8
US Surgical	53 1/4	up 5 1/2
Househld Intl pf	80 1/2	off 5 1/4
Progressive	54 5/8	up 5 1/8
McDonnell Doug	47 5/8	up 5
Washington Post	244 1/4	up 4 3/4
CBS Inc	170	off 4 5/8
Coastl Corp pfB	130	up 4 1/2
Enron Corp	56	up 4 1/2
Racal Telecom	50 1/4	off 4 3/8
Hitachi Ltd	91	off 4
Todd Shipyard pf	24 1/4	up 4

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#90250u1771 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended September 7:

High	Low	Last	Net change
325.92	321.58	323.77	up 0.38

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#90250u1797 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 7) UPI - The unmanned Air Force Titan 4 rockets are the most powerful boosters in the American inventory after NASA's space shuttle.

Each of the 1.9-million pound, triple-barreled rockets is capable of placing 10,000-pound satellites into the high orbits favored by spy spacecraft.

The first Titan 4 was launched from Cape Canaveral, Fla., June 14, 1989 and a second was launched this past June. Sources said a third is being prepared at Cape Canaveral for launch later this month.

By 1995, up to nine Titan 4s will be launched a year from launch complex 41 at the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station adjacent to the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, or from Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., where payloads weighing up to 32,000 pounds can be launched into low-Earth polar orbits.

Initial launch power comes from two large, solid-fuel boosters attached to the sides of a liquid-fueled first stage ''core'' vehicle. The boosters, which consist of seven segments, are 112 feet tall, 10 feet in diameter and weigh 692,000 pounds each. Burning about two minutes, each rocket generates 1.4 million pounds of push.

It was a solid propellant booster segment that exploded Friday at Edwards Air Force Base in California's Mojave Desert.

The first stage of the core rocket, built by Martin Marietta, is 86.5 feet long, 10 feet in diameter and is equipped with dual nozzles. It burns aerozine 50 and nitrogen tetroxide for 200 seconds, producing a thrust of 548,000 pounds.

The Titan 4 rocket lifts off under the power of its two solid-fuel boosters. The first-stage core engine does not fire until shortly before booster separation.

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#90250u1813 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

SAN ANTONIO (SEPT. 7) UPI - Six of the 13 servicemen killed in an air crash while ferrying cargo to Saudi Arabia in Operation Desert Shield were buried Friday, remembered as devoted guardians of the American way of life.

''Freedom is not free,'' John Hagee, pastor of the non- denominational Cornerstone Church, said at the funeral for Staff Sgt. Daniel Garza of San Antonio.

''Daniel gave his last measure of devotion to preserve the American Dream '' Hagee said.

Four other funerals were held Friday at other churches throughout San Antonio, and another was held in Laredo in deep south Texas. On Thursday, two funerals were held in San Antonio and one in Houston.

Of 13 people killed when a military C-5A Galaxy cargo plane crashed shortly after takeoff from Ramstein Air Base in West Germany last week, nine were reservists from the 433rd Military Airlift Wing headquartered at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio. One of the four injured survivors also was from the 433rd.

Although the 433rd had not been called up into active duty, the men had volunteered to support Operation Desert Shield, ferrying cargo and troops aboard the C-5As to U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia. The plane that crashed was laden with supplies.

A memorial service for all the victims from the 433rd was scheduled Saturday morning at an airplane engine hangar at Kelly Air Force Base. Base officials said 2,500 people were expected to attend.

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#90250u1816 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 7) UPI - As some countries sought to help their citizens trapped in the Persian Gulf region by sending them medicine and foodstuffs, the United States said Friday it opposes the sending of food to Iraq because that nation has no urgent need for such shipments.

A senior U.S. official in New York said U.N. sanctions clearly prohibit exports of foodstuffs to Iraq, which became the target of a worldwide trade and military embargo after its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The occupation of Kuwait by more than 100,000 Iraqi troops triggered an exodus of tens of thousands of third-country nationals seeking to return home. But they were not able to do so because of a lack of transportation and forced to live in refugee camps, mostly in Jordan.

India, China and Iran have demanded that the United Nations allow humanitarian assistance to the refugees. Iraq, on the other hand, wanted to trade the refugees for food that should come with planes or ships intended to bring the refugees back to their countries.

The issue of food shipments as humanitarian assistance has forced the U.N. Security Council's sanctions committee to ask Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to send fact-finding missions to the gulf to determine the food situation there.

''No individual countries have the prerogative to decide for themselves,''

the U.S. official told reporters after the five permanent members of the Security Council met to discuss implementation of the sanctions, imposed Aug. 6 to punish Iraq for refusing to withdraw from Kuwait.

The U.N. sanctions allow medicine and foodstuffs to be shipped to Iraq or Kuwait for ''humanitarian circumstances.''

The U.S. official said the permanent members have been considering additional steps to tighten the implementation of the sanctions, including an aerial blockade and a reduction of Iraqi diplomatic personnel accredited to the United Nations, but he said talks on those steps have not ''crystallized.''

The official said the 15-nation Security Council will await for Perez de Cuellar's assessment of the food situation in Iraq and Kuwait before deciding what kind of food should be sent to these countries.

But he said, ''There is no current food emergency in Iraq.'' The official said his assessment was based on Iraq's own statements that its food supplies can last many months.

He said food should be sent through international aid agencies and not by commercial means to thwart the Iraqi government from diverting the needed supplies to its army and people.

India, which has more than 200,000 of its people working in Iraq and Kuwait, asked the U.N. for authorization to send food and medicine in planes or ships that will take the refugees home.

The sanctions committee, composed of all 15 member-states of the Security Council, has met regularly to compile a list of countries that have abided by the sanctions and those that needed help as a consequence of the sanctions, like Jordan and Egypt.

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#90250u1826 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
(repeating & correcting net changes)

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending September 7:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	384.35	379.48	382.65	up 0.62
20 Trans	232.12	230.48	232.12	up 0.48
40 Utils	129.68	127.97	129.68	up 1.24

40 Fncl	24.05	23.76	24.03	up 0.03
500 Stock	324.40	320.46	323.40	up 0.84

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#90250u1838 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 452.35, up 0.56 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90250u1848 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (SEPT. 7) UPI - A vandal cut four television cables Friday, briefly blacking out the Phil Donahue show during a live remote broadcast on the recent serial killings that have terrorized the college town.

The picture went black for only a few seconds but the audio portion of the program was not affected, officials said.

''What happened is that a young man of about 35 years of age on a bicycle stopped, had clippers and clipped ... (our) cables. Five of our six cameras went out. We had only one camera, and there was black on the screen for about seven seconds. For the next 10 minutes we were using only one camera before the other cameras were hooked up and working again. We do not know who the person was,'' said Karin Lippert, Donahue spokeswoman.

''Obviously, they knew what they were doing,'' said Matt Benedict, remote coordinator for FNF Productions, the Tampa company handling the local production.

''There were mixed feelings about having a television show ... in the city at this time. Many people at Gainesville felt that it was time to heal, for the city to heal and to do so without the eye of the camera there,'' said Lippert.

It has been a difficult week for Donahue in Gainesville. Several city and University of Florida officials refused to appear on the broadcast. One was University of Florida President John Lombardi, who called it in bad taste.

A letter to the editor appearing in Friday's Gainesville Sun urged people not to watch the program.

''We may not be able to prevent the broadcast, but we can and must show

our outrage by refusing to be involved. ... Enough is enough! Let us unite in not welcoming Phil Donahue and others in further degrading our community,'' wrote Mary Dean.

''You've invaded our town with satellite feeds and bad attitudes,'' the student newspaper, The Independent Florida Alligator, charged in an editorial earlier this week aimed at all reporters and photographers who have descended on Gainesville.

Five college students, four from the University of Florida and one from Santa Fe Community College, were found stabbed to death in their apartments during a 48-hour period between Aug. 26 and Aug. 28. At least three of the bodies were mutilated and two of the students had also been bludgeoned.

Also declining to appear on the Donahue show were Police Chief Wayland Clifton Jr., Mayor Courtland Collier and Michael Browne, student body president of the University of Florida.

''The Donahue show, like most talk shows, is basically entertainment. Mr. Donahue is very professional, maybe the best in his business. However, I feel it's not in the benefit of the students I'm supposed to represent or the community, and I felt by appearing on the show, I would be being a hypocrite for all the things I've been talking to the media about for the last two weeks. It's simply not in good taste,'' Browne said.

About the time the picture went black, Donahue acknowledged to his television audience that several local officials had refused to appear.

''You cannot be criticized for your decision. I ask you not to criticize us. I promise you this: Our purpose here is to provide information and ... insure that this program in no way enhances the pain that must already be felt by the loved ones of the victims, not to mention the people of this community.''

A police report indicated the vandal sliced through four camera cables on the back of an FNF production truck.

''There was one camera cable that was not cut for some reason that was overlooked, so they put that camera on the air until they could run more camera cable,'' said Benedict.

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#90250u1872 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (SEPT. 7) UPI - Hurricane Isidore and its 85 mph winds swirled harmlessly in open Atlantic waters Friday, but forecasters predicted it could strengthen as it marched on a north-northwesterly path.

At noon EDT, Isidore was centered near latitude 19.2 north, longitude 38.1 west, or about 850 miles west of the Cape Verde Islands off the African coast, National Hurricane Center specialist Max Mayfield said.

The hurricane was moving north-northwest at near 12 mph, and Mayfield predicted it would continue that direction for the next day, slowing down some by Saturday.

Maximum sustained winds were near 85 mph, up 5 mph from earlier Friday, and some strengthing was expected during the next 24 hours. Hurricane force winds extended as far as 35 miles from the center, with tropical storm force winds extending as far as 200 miles.

It was too soon to predict whether Isidore would turn north or take a westerly course toward the Caribbean islands, Mayfield said. A northerly course would take the storm toward cooler waters and out of harm's way. If the hurricane were to turn west, it still would be at least five days away from land, he said.

Isidore, the ninth named storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, developed from a tropical depression Wednesday. Three other storms - Bertha, Diana and Gustav - have grown to hurricane strength this season.

Forecasters said the nine-storm total was two or three more storms than average for this time of year, but the impact of those storms has been minimal. The season runs from June 1 to Nov. 30.

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#90250u1898 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.35	10.03
Anchor Fund Inv	14.72	15.62
Delaware Mutual	16.86	18.08
Fidelity Fund	16.66	16.66
Investors Mutual	11.00	11.58
Investors Stocks	18.30	19.26
Investors Select	8.28	8.71
IDS Equity Plus	9.02	9.49
Mass Inv Growth	8.38	9.04
Nicholas Fund	3.29	3.29
United Accumulated	6.38	6.97
United Income	17.13	18.72
Vanguard Wellington	16.14	16.14

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EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (SEPT. 7) UPI - A segment of a test version of an Air Force Titan 4 rocket booster was dropped as it was being moved and exploded Friday, killing one person, injuring two workers, and generating a huge toxic cloud visible for miles.

Edwards Air Force Base officials said the Advanced Solid Rocket Motor was being transferred from one location to another at the base's Aeronautics Laboratory when it was accidentally dropped and exploded at 10:45 a.m.

An Air Force official at the base said one person was missing. However, the Pentagon said one victim was killed. A lab spokeswoman said two people were taken to a base hospital with injuries. Their conditions were not immediately known.

Facilities surrounding the lab, situated on a 65-square-mile area of the base, were evacuated as a precaution. The damage was contained to the lab and the fire was extinguished about 1 p.m.

The huge toxic cloud, laced with hydrochloric acid released by the booster's burning fuel, rose above the site and could be seen for more than 30 miles.

Shirley Dewar, a resident of nearby Boron, said: ''The white smoke had made a mushroom-like cloud and then there was black smoke after that.''

Her daughter, Renea Green, added, ''I just saw the cloud of smoke coming up from the mountain. There were red flames underneath the ''the mo

Other witnesses said a bright orange geyser of flame reaching about 100 feet into the air accompanied the blast.

The lab spokeswoman, Airman 1st Class Michelle Orosco, said the cloud was moving away from populated areas and at a high speed and altitude so that it posed no immediate threat to residents in the area.

Edwards is located in a sparsely populated area of the Mojave Desert, about 100 northeast of Los Angeles.

Police cleared highways in the area as a precaution.

The Titan 4 is the nation's largest unmanned launch vehicle, ordered by the Air Force after the Challenger disaster grounded NASA's shuttle fleet.

It consists of a two-stage liquid-fueled vehicle and two solid propellant boosters attached to the sides of the liquid-fueled rocket. The Titan 4's maiden flight was in June 1989 and its second launch occurred June 8. On both occasions, the rocket lifted off from Cape Canaveral Air Force

Station near Florida's Kennedy Space Center, carrying classified military payloads.

One unidentified worker at Edwards, quoted by a Los Angeles area radio station, said, ''I was getting ready to eat lunch and the guys came in and said, 'Get out, there's a toxic cloud.'''

There was no immediate word from the maker of the rocket, Martin Marietta in Denver.

In Washington, Air Force Brig. Gen. Donald Hard, a spokesman for the Air Force's space programs, said the toxic cloud ''was not enough to be of major health consequences.''

He said the explosion occurred ''around a test stand where we were moving a solid rocket motor segment that would be used with the Titan 4 test vehicle ... (and the) solid material in there ignited and burned.''

Each Titan booster, which is 112 feet tall and is designed to fire for about two minutes, consists of seven segments. The Air Force is developing an advanced booster for the Titan and it was a test version that was involved in the accident.

The California Highway Patrol closed the eastbound lanes of Highway 58 and Highway 395 where they intersect at Four Corners, east of the base. The roads were opened 30 minutes later, after the plume had dissipated, said CHP Officer Sandi Palmer.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - The Dow industrials registered little change this week and trading remained very light as the unsettled situation in the Persian Gulf hung over the market.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 23.26 Friday to end the week at 2619.55, edging up 5.19, or 0.2 percent, for the week.

Among broader market indexes, Standard & Poor's 500-stock index added 0.62 to end the week at 323.40 and the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.54 to close the week at 177.51.

Advances led declines 909-896 among the 2,131 NYSE issues traded this week. Weekly Big Board volume totaled 463,003,660 shares, compared with 639,340,540 a week earlier and 621,258,120 shares a year ago.

Trading never really picked up this week after the Labor Day holiday Monday. Analysts attributed this to nervousness about the Persian Gulf

crisis, and, for the most part, stock prices responded inversely to movements in oil prices.

Stocks edged lower Tuesday in another session of record-low volume for the year, as some late program buying wiped out sharp losses in the Dow industrials.

Oil prices soared to about $29 a barrel as hopes waned for a diplomatic resolution to the crisis after U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar said last weekend he had not made headway in negotiations with Iraq's foreign minister.

By Wednesday, volume finally topped 100 million shares for the first time since the previous Thursday, and stocks gained even though oil prices rose about 77 cents a barrel, as investors took their cue from the bond market.

On Thursday, oil prices went back on the warpath, sending stocks tumbling, but analysts assigned little significance to the move since trading in stocks was so thin. Oil closed up $1.66 on the day to $31.43, breaking the $30- and $31-a-barrel marks.

But certain market sectors and stocks were hit especially hard in Thursday's sharp decline, with weak August sales reports making it a tough day for major retailers. In the technology sector, Motorola plunged more than 10 percent amid reports that analysts at several brokerages have expressed concerns about the strength of its business in a weakening economy.

Hugh Johnson, chief economist at First Albany Corp., said what happened to Motorola is a sign of how nervous the market still is, with the Mideast crisis still unresolved and the Federal Reserve standing pat on interest rates even as the eocnomy shows further signs of weakness.

''That indicates we're still on thin ice, still vulnerable,'' said Johnson. ''It means the market still has not reached a level where it has discounted all the possible bad news that's out there.''

But despite earnings-related selloffs in a few companies, Johnson said the market's focus remained squarely on the region where bad news is most likely to come from these days: the Mideast.

''That's still keeping most investors at bay,'' he said. ''No one wants to assume new positions or buy stocks when that cloud hangs over the market. It's very hard to imagine how we can put together anything sustainable till its resolved.

''There are moments of hope - like when (U.N. Secretary-General Javier) Perez de Cuellar goes to the Mideast and negotiates, and now everyone's

looking at the Helsinki summit this weekend (between President Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev). But with every day the chance of a face-saving settlement looks dimmer, and this is weighing on the market,'' Johnson concluded.

Alfred Goldman, market strategist at A.G. Edwards & Sons Inc. in St. Louis agreed that the market remains hostage to the actions of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

''We're trapped by Saddam Hussein,'' he said.

Goldman also acknowledged that Wall Street is worried about the outlook for corporate earnings, which he said is deteriorating.

Expecting both higher interest rates and higher inflation, Goldman said: ''When you surround this with the serious unknowables created by the Mideast, people step back from the market. And the trend is down.''

On the trading floor this week, General Electric was the most active issue down 1 3/8 to 60 5/8.

AT&T followed, off 1 1/4 to 31 1/8. Toys ''R'' Us was third, off 2 1/4 to 23 1/8 as analysts were said to cut earnings estimates for the company.

Among other blue chips, IBM jumped 3 5/8 to 105 1/2, Boeing lost 1 1/4 to 47, Exxon rose 7/8 to 50 7/8 and General Motors fell 2 1/8 to 37 5/8. Other oil stocks, spurred by the rise in oil prices, also did well.

On the week, Motorola - a market leader in recent weeks - plunged 10 5/8 to 61 1/4.

On the American Stock Exchange, the Amex Market Value index rose 0.38 to close Friday at 323.77. Declines led advances 403-343 among the 955 issues traded.

Amex volume totaled 40,071,885 shares, compared with 58,692,010 traded a week earlier and 51,027,125 traded in the same week a year ago.

Salomon's put warrants on the Tokyo market's Nikkei index led the Amex actives, up 1 3/8 to 17.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 0.83 to end the week at 380.38.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Green Mountain Power	Q	.50 1/2	9-28	9-17
Distribution				
Western Gas Procsrs	..	.45	11-14	9-30
Usual				
Autodesk Inc	Q	.10	9-17	9-10
Chubb Corp	Q	.33	10-9	9-21
Commonwealth Edison	Q	.75	11-1	9-28
CRI Insured Mtge Assoc	Q	.27	9-28	9-19
CRI Liquidating REIT	..	.30	9-28	9-19
Hancock Fabrics Inc	..	.14	10-15	10-1
Lomas Mtge Scrts Fd	M	.10 1/2	9-27	9-17
Medical Properties	Q	.30	10-12	9-28
Putnam Convtble IGF	Q	.24	9-20	9-10
Putnam Dividend IF	M	.11 1/2	10-1	9-20
Putnam DPIT	M	.10 1/4	10-1	9-20
Putnam Diversified IT	M	.112	9-20	9-10
Putnam High IC&BF	M	.071	10-1	9-20
Putnam Hi Yld Mcpl Tr	M	.06 3/4	10-1	9-20
Putnam Intermed GIT	M	.08	10-1	9-20
Putnam Investment GMT	M	.074	10-1	9-20
Putnam Investors Fd	Q	.05	9-20	9-10
Putnam Managed MIT	M	.0635	10-1	9-20
Putnam Master IIT	M	.07 1/4	10-1	9-20
Putnam Master Inc Tr	M	.07 3/4	10-1	9-20
Putnam Premier Inc Tr	M	.07 3/4	10-1	9-20
Sellersville S&L Assoc	Q	.04	10-5	9-14
Tandy Corp	Q	.15	10-23	10-1

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 7) UPI - A chartered Iraqi Airways airliner carrying 171 American women, men and children arrived Friday in Jordan from Iraq, a U.S. Embassy spokesman in Jordan said. The flight was the first in a U.S. plan to airlift some of the 2,200 Americans out of Kuwait on chartered ''flight of mercy'' planes.

There was no word on how long the full airlift of Americans out of the Iraqi-occupied emirate would take, but the U.S. officials said the air bridge would initially evacuate 1,300 U.S. women and children.

There was no immediate explanation for the reported presence of five men on the chartered flight to Amman, Jordan. Iraq has said foreign men would not be allowed to leave and will be used as shields against attack at strategic sites.

The flight flew from Kuwait City to Baghdad and arrived in Amman, Jordan, about 9:45 a.m. EDT.

The State Department said a second U.S.-chartered Iraqi Airways Boeing 707 would airlift Americans out of Kuwait Saturday and they will join the Americans already in Amman for a flight aboard a U.S. military Boeing 747 that is to arrive in Charleston, S.C., Sunday.

More ''mercy'' flights are expected to fly out of Kuwait over the weekend. U.S. officials are pressing Iraq to allow American men to leave as well as the women and children that Iraq says may go. But Baghdad Radio Friday said about 900 U.S. male nationals were still considered ''guests'' and would not be allowed out of the region.

A U.S. State Department official said no access was permitted to an American who was shot in the arm by an Iraqi soldier in Kuwait Wednesday and taken to a hospital in Baghdad Thursday.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman in Jordan said the freed Americans arriving on the Iraqi Airways jet looked ''visibly exhausted.''

''I have had a terrible experience,'' Patricia Hammer, who is divorced from a Kuwaiti, told reporters on arrival at Jordian's Queen Alia airport. ''We were in hiding for five weeks. Palestinian friends brought (us) food at their expense.''

Another unidentified freed hostage, asked if she had been mistreated, responded, ''If you consider being a hostage and having to hide being mistreated, then yes.''

More British and Canadian nationals arrived in their home countries Friday.

About 250 freed British women and children arrived at London's Gatwick Airport from the gulf early in the day, the biggest group to get out since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait five weeks ago. Aboard the British Airways jumbo jet were 78 children and 20 babies, many of whom were in a bus convoy that left Kuwait for Baghdad on Tuesday.

A planeload of 133 people, including 11 Americans, arrived in Toronto Friday. They were part of a group of Canadian, American and Irish citizens who fled Kuwait City and Baghdad a day earlier. The Americans were met by U.S. officials and were bound for home.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker flew to the United Arab Emirates Friday, one of several gulf Arab oil producers who have requested U.S. military aid to deter Iraqi aggression.

Earlier Friday, Baker held talks in the Saudi resort of Taif with Kuwait's toppled emir. Arab diplomats in Cairo said Kuwaiti Emir Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah pledged billions of dollars to maintain the U.S. military presence in the gulf.

The diplomats also said the emir is pressing the United States to adopt a first-strike option against Iraq to liberate Kuwait.

Saudi Arabian King Fahd was reported to have pledged billions to maintain U.S. troops in his kingdom. He will reportedly pay for items such as fuel, water and transportation, but neither U.S. officials nor the Saudis would say exactly how much money Saudi Arabia would contribute. The U.S. operation in the Saudi kingdom was expected to cost $6 billion by the end of the year.

Baker was scheduled to fly to Cairo late Friday for talks with Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid. He was also expected to hold talks with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in Alexandria.

While in Saudi Arabia, Baker dismissed signs from Iran, India and China that those countries were about to break ranks with the West and send food and medicines to Iraq on humanitarian grounds.

''It is the position of the United States of America that humanitarian exemptions (to U.N. sanctions) certainly should not and cannot run to commercial food sales,'' Baker said.

''We take note as well that the Iraqi leadership themselves (who said) they have sufficient food for quite a number of months. So it is our view at least, that we are not at the point of invoking any ... exception for humanitarian cargo.''

U.S.-led naval forces are imposing a naval blockade on Iraq and have already turned back a number of ships headed for Iraqi or Jordanian ports with cargo for Baghdad.

The Indian government acknowledged Friday, after several days of denial, that Baghdad has refused to allow some 180,000 Indians to leave the gulf region unless cargos of food are flown in on the planes intended to ferry the Indian nationals home.

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(SEPT 7) UPI - Rumors Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had been ousted in a coup forced crude-oil prices down as much as $2 a barrel Friday when traders elected to take profits on recent gains after the rumors turned out false.

In the previous five trading sessions, U.S. crude had risen $5.51 a barrel or 21.2 percent, to $31.43 a barrel on concerns that the Persian Gulf crisis would become a war.

Starting in Asia and Europe, markets opened lower Friday, on rumors that first surfaced on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, and stayed lower despite the expectations of some traders that they would resume their upward march.

''It was profit taking before the weekend,'' explained Martin Cherkes, vice president of commodity risk management for Continental Bank in Chicago.

''There's a psychological barrier at $32 a barrel,'' he said. Oil companies have told him ''we'll sell as much as we can at $32,'' Cherkes said.

Selling resulted because traders ''felt uncomfortable being in buy positions going into the weekend at these high levels,'' agreed Randall Rothenberg of Dean Witter Reynolds' International Energy Futures Group in New York.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery ended Friday at $30.04 a barrel, down $1.39 on the day but still up $2.72 a barrel on the week.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent plunged $2.25 to $30.40 a barrel, $2.20 above last Friday's close.

''Traders remembered that, two weeks ago, they got killed on (the following)Monday by remaining heavy in buy positions over the weekend,'' said Michael McDermott of PaineWebber Inc. in New York.

On Aug. 27, crude plunged by $4 a barrel and gasoline by 17 cents a gallon -both records - when Iraq raised hopes of a peace settlement by ordering its ship captains not to contest a U.S. naval blockade.

Brent normally sells at a lesser price than WTI because of the pull of the huge U.S. market and the need to discount shipping costs.

But since mid-August, Brent has been higher than U.S. crude, apparently as a result of Europe being hit harder by the U.N. embargo of Iraqi and

Kuwaiti crude imposed after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped primarily to the Far East - plummeted $1.20 to $26.60 a barrel, $2.10 higher than a week earlier.

Unleaded gasoline for October delivery ended the day down 2.01 cents at 93.06 cents a gallon, up 6.88 cents on the week.

October home-heating oil plummeted 4.26 cents to 83.98 cents a gallon, still ahead 7.42 cents on the week.

The week's petroleum product increases appeared to be largely the result of the October contract rising to the level of the September contract, which expired a week ago.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, where crude is bought and sold to the highest bidder, prompt-delivery WTI lost $1.45 to $30 a barrel, a gain of $2.70 a barrel on the week.

Sun Co., based in Radnor, Pa., along with Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp., and Du Pont's Conoco Inc. subsidiary in Houston, lowered their posted price for crude at the wellhead to $28.50 a barrel for WTI. Sun's reduction was $1.25; Conoco and Marathon's were $1.50 a barrel.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Gabriela Sabatini, still looking for her first big breakthrough victory, will receive another golden opportunity Saturday when she plays her long-time nemesis, Steffi Graf, for the U.S. Open championship.

Sabatini, coming from behind virtually all afternoon, finally wore down Mary Joe Fernandez, 7-5, 5-7, 6-3, Friday in 2 hours and 43 minutes to reach a Grand Slam final for only the second time.

In sharp contrast, Graf required merely 43 minutes to squash Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, 6-1, 6-2.

Graf has a career record of 18-3 over Sabatini, her sometime doubles partner. While Graf is in quest of her 10th Grand Slam championship, Sabatini's only previous chance in a final came in 1988 when she lost a three-setter to the 21-year-old West German in this same championship.

''I really want to win and I think I'm ready to beat Steffi,'' Sabatini said. ''I think I'm ready to win, we'll see tomorrow.

''Being very tough mentally will be the toughest part tomorrow. Right from the beginning I'll try to take control of the match. I'm really eager to win the tournament.''

Sabatini played a gambling match against Fernandez, a 19-year-old Floridian seeded eighth. She continually charged the net behind her sliced backhand on service return, totaling 92 approaches on which she won 56 points.

''Maybe I rushed too much when she was coming in instead of just going for a spot and hitting it,'' said Fernandez, who lost the Australian Open final to Graf. ''It's a process of learning. The more I do it (reach the semifinals of a major) the better I'll become at it.

''I didn't take advantage of the times I was up on her serve. I didn't put enough pressure on her when I was up 0-15 and 0-30.''

Sabatini fell behind two service breaks in each of the first two sets. Still, she managed to win the opening set, which extended for 70 minutes, on breaks in the sixth, eighth and 10th games.

After falling behind 3-0 in the second set, the tall Argentine again clawed even at 4-4, only to allow Fernandez to break again for 5- 4. Although Sabatini got the break back, Fernandez followed with yet another break and held at love to even the match.

Following 12 service breaks in the first two sets, there was only one in the third, and Sabatini claimed that one with a pair of backhand drop volleys.

At 30-15 on her serve in the ninth game, Sabatini dove to the left for a winning backhand volley, and on match point Fernandez was wide with a forehand.

''I was down many times and I kept fighting,'' said Sabatini, 20. ''I played well when I had to play well.''

Sabatini also was extended for 2 1-2 hours in her previous match, against Leila Meskhi, but contends she is physically ready for Saturday's final. Her coach, Carlos Kirmayr, agreed, saying, ''She can stay here five hours.''

A bittersweet year pocked with shame, soreness and unaccustomed defeat may yet develop into a happy ending for Graf.

There was a scandal involving her father and a German model, a fractured thumb in a freak ski accident, a severe sinus condition that required

surgery, and ultimately there were the defeats.

After winning the Australian Open in January, her eighth Grand Slam of the previous nine, Graf lost the French Open final to Monica Seles and was beaten in the Wimbledon semifinals by Zina Garrison.

''It was a tough time, I wanted to get it over with,'' Graf said Friday, a half hour beating Sanchez. ''That's why it means a lot to me to be playing like this.

''It would be something special for me (to win the Open). Nothing really mattered much to me for a long time, and now this means a whole lot to me.''

Graf was most disturbed at the scandal involving her father, Peter, which was played up big in the German press. She admitted this weighed on her mind when she should have been concentrating on tennis.

''I never wanted to go through it, and never will,'' the 21-year- old top seed answered when asked if all the adversity had made her stronger. ''Nobody does, I think.''

With her father sitting in the guest's box, the two-time defending champion allowed nothing to disturb her Friday, least of all Sanchez's futile attempts to make a match of it.

''The way I was playing, I couldn't do much better, so I'm happy,'' Graf stated. ''For a change I'm perfect (health-wise). It's good to know I'm physically fit.

''I'll be happy if it (her game) gets better in the final, but I couldn't play much better than this match. I felt very good.''

The men's semifinals also are on tap for Saturday with second seed Boris Becker, the defending champion, going against No. 4 Andre Agassi, and No. 12 Pete Sampras playing unseeded John McEnroe.

Graf, seeking to add a third successive U.S. Open crown, toyed with her sixth-seeded opponent, completing her business in 54 minutes. She also displayed a more aggressive attack than usual, approaching the net 23 times and winning 20 of the points.

''Today she hits an unbelievable forehand, everything to the lines,'' Sanchez said. ''She was serving very well, and I didn't have a chance.

''She is playing better than in Paris and Wimbledon. She has the

confidence in all her shots, she's playing very well, and I think she'll win the tournament. I try to put the first serve in or I know she'll kill me with her forehand. She pressured a lot and I couldn't do anything.''

After Sanchez held service in the second game, Graf ran off seven games in a row, carrying her to a 2-0 lead in the second set. Sanchez held at 15 in the third game before Graf won three more games.

Sanchez, an 18-year-old Spaniard, now has lost to Graf in eight of nine career meetings, her lone triumph coming in the 1989 French Open final.

''When you beat her one time you think you can beat her again,'' Sanchez said. ''But that (Paris) was a different surface, it's slower, and I could get to her forehand.''

Graf, 21, has dropped one set in reaching the final for the fourth consecutive year, and in her last three victories she has yielded merely 10 games.

''I didn't make mistakes from the beginning or in practice,'' Graf said. ''I felt good and I knew I would get into a rhythm against her.

''I expected a tougher match.''

In reaching the final, Graf is assured of earning $175,000. This amounts thus far to $29,560.81 per hour, or $581.40 per minute.

Sanchez had only one break point in the match, that coming on a Graf double fault in the fifth game of the opening set. Graf saved it with a service winner, and after four deuces she was able to hold.

The only other time Sanchez reached deuce on Graf's serve was in the sixth game of the second set after Graf had been ahead 40-0.

The South African team of Pieter Aldrich and Danie Visser, seeded second, won the men's doubles championship with a 6-2, 7-6 (7-3), 6-2 victory over Americans Paul Annacone and David Wheaton.

Aldrich and Visser, who also won the Australian crown, split $142,861. Annacone and Wheaton, who were unseeded, receive a total of $71,431.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - A human rights group says it found crates of helicopter parts destined for Iraq in the warehouse of a West German firm in Munich. The company denies it was violating the U-N trade embargo... and says the parts were for non-military use.

The Pentagon informed Congress today of a proposal to let South Korea produce copies of the F-A-18 Hornet... a move some fear could help create a serious aerospace rival. The deal will move ahead unless Congress acts in the next 30 days to disapprove it.

The Federal Communications Commission today accused broadcasters of illegally boosting rates for political advertising. The report was issued while Congress ponders proposals to force deep cuts in rates for political broadcast ads.

Prosecutors in Boston asked the Massachuestts Supreme Court today to decide when client-attorney confidentiality can be set aside. The prosecutors want to talk to the former lawyer of Charles Stuart... who killed himself after shooting his pregnant wife last year.

A Chicago judge dealt another blow to an Illinois man seeking a court order to force his three-and-a-half-year-old twins to be tested as possible bone marrow donors for their dying 12-year-old half-brother. The judge says the court does NOT have the right to invade the bodies of the twins.

In the Philippines, officials say three people are dead after Typhoon Dot swept the country's northern tip with 81-mile-an-hour winds. The storm triggered heavy rains and flooding that also sent more than 33-thousand people fleeing to evacuation centers in the main island of Luzon.

Polish government officials are demanding that Soviet troops pull out of Poland as quickly as possible. There are about 55-thousand Soviet troops in the country. And Poland's foreign minister says Soviet forces should be out by the end of 1991 or '92.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 7) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker received a pledge Friday from Saudi Arabia of billions of dollars to bankroll the cost of sustaining Washington's anti-Iraq mission, and then met with the toppled emir of Kuwait before flying to Egypt for talks with President Hosni Mubarak.

Baker arrived in Cairo shortly after 9 p.m. for his meeting Saturday with Mubarak.

The U.S. secretary of state was to have met with his Egyptian counterpart, Issmat Abdul Maguid, but Maguid was injured in a car accident earlier in the evening as he was heading to Cairo for the scheduled meeting.

The Egyptian newspaper Akbar al-Youm said the car in which Maguid was riding blew a tire and flipped four times. It said the foreign minister was hospitalized with injuries to his shoulder and a concussion.

Baker was in Saudi Arabia Friday morning where he met with Kuwaiti officials at the mountain resort of Taif. He flew from there to the United Arab Emirates to brief officials on the Persian Gulf situation and the upcoming summit between President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

The American delegation arrived at the hill resort of Taif about 10 a.m. and opened discussions with senior officials of the government in exile and Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah.

After Saudi Arabia, Baker visited the United Arab Emirates for talks with its leaders Friday before he boarded a flight to Cairo for talks with Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid later the same day.

Baker was expected to hold talks with Mubarak in Egypt's Mediterranean city of Alexandria Saturday morning before heading for Helsinki later the same day where Bush will hold summit talks Sunday with Gorbachev.

Before leaving Jeddah Friday, Baker had a final working breakfast with King Fahd that followed a two-hour session he had with the monarch Thursday about their combined strategy to push Iraqi occupation troops out of Kuwait.

Baker said before leaving Jeddah that he did not believe Baghdad was eligible for exemptions to a U.N. trade embargo that has a clause allowing for the imports of medicine and emergency food.

''It is the position of the United States of America that humanitarian exemptions certainly should not and cannot run to commercial food sales,'' he said. ''We take note as well that the Iraqi leadership themselves, they have sufficient food for quite a number of months. So, it is our view at least, that we are not at the point of invoking any ... exception for humanitarian cargo.''

U.S. officials said Saudi Arabia had agreed to pay billions of dollars to fund Washington's daily costs for items such as water, fuel and transport vital to the U.S. military deployment, now exceeding 70,000 ground personnel.

The officials said an international campaign would also be launched to procure donations from gulf states and other nations such as Japan, which benefit from the U.S. military presence in the vital oil-rich region.

Baker, in the news briefing also attended by Foreign Minister Saud al

Faizal, called for nations to show their support for the U.N. embargo by giving money to the anti-Iraq effort.

''It is important that we maintain the unprecedented international consensus. One way of course to do that is for people of each of those countries participating in that international consensus to feel that the responsibility of carrying out the United Nations resolutions is going to be equitably shared.''

Saudi and U.S. officials denied reports that Baker had proposed a NATO-style defense scheme as a security framework for the gulf region should U.S. forces eventually withdraw.

''It is for the people in the region to help themselves,'' a senior Saudi official said. ''Definitely all of this depends on what happens as the outcome of the crisis.''

The official said neither side finalized how much would be paid by the kingdom for maintenance of the U.S. troops, or the mechanics of payment, which one U.S. official said could be in ''cash or kind.''

''We didn't nail down dollar amounts. We talked about orders of magnitude '' said the U.S. official. ''We are talking billion-dollar figures.''

''You can assume that the Saudis will do their fair share,'' the Saudi official said. ''Everybody has to pitch in ... there is no lack of donors ... it is responsibility sharing.''

The U.S. cost, estimated at $6 billion this year, would cover the whole gamut of expenses in dispatching vast amounts of men and war material halfway around the planet.

Tokyo last week pledged $1 billion to assist nations that have been hard hit by the crisis, but the White House may ask even more and recently suggested U.S. loans to Egypt totaling about $7 billion may be written off in acknowledgment of Cairo's support.

''There are going to be contributions from a lot of other countries,'' a U.S. official said. ''The figures could change a week from now but we would like to cover the incremental costs to the United States.''

He said he did not know how Japan's contribution would be spent, but explained that ''one way or another there is going to be a big international effort to help the United States government.''

The official said both sides talked about ways of fine-tuning a campaign to isolate Baghdad for its Aug. 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait. The possibility of imposing an air blockade against Iraq was

discussed, but not in great detail, he said.

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. (SEPT. 7) UPI - The attorney for Power Securities Corp., a penny-stock company banned in New York now being sued by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, said Friday his client will ''vigorously contest'' the charges.

Attorney Arthur Salzberg of Washington, who represents Power and chief executive Richard Marchese, added he had not reviewed the charges in full, but his clients had cooperated fully with the SEC's 18-month probe of the company.

The SEC filed its lawsuit in Denver Thursday, charging Power, Allied Capital Group Inc., and a dozen current and former officers with stock fraud associated with illegal insider trading.

The SEC is seeking repayment of $20.7 million to investors and more than $3 million in penalties.

Power Securities, formed by Marchese, a Rochester native, and headquartered in Las Vegas, had thousands of clients in western New York. The state attorney general's office got an injunction in February 1989 forcing Power to close its New York operations.

The SEC accuses Power and Allied of of charging investors more than $9.4 million in excess markups on the low-priced penny stocks of six companies. The commission also says the companies cheated clients by making it hard to liquidate their holdings or withdraw cash.

Among other things, the SEC said the company engaged in activity called ''flipping,'' in which which brokers ''simultaneously recommend to customers the sale of one security and the purchase of another for the purpose of increasing commissions.''

The 'flips' occurred when the brokers offered to buy a customer's security at a premium price higher than the bid price in order to induce the customer to sell and purchase new securities, the SEC said.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

Baseball

Two minority owners of the New York Yankees are reportedly seeking to sell their shares in the club and Japanese interests are among those being sought. The New York Times reported Yankee minority owners, Harvey Leighton and Jack Satter have asked the investment bank of Henry Ansbacher Inc. to sell their shares for economic reasons. The combined shares of Leighton and Satter add up to 9.6 per cent of the club. Analysts have estimated the Yankees' total value at between $300 million and $400 million.

Basketball

The Cleveland Cavaliers retained forward John ''Hot Rod'' Williams by matching a seven-year $26.5 million offer from Miami. The Cavaliers also extended Mark Price's contract, made contract modifications for Brad Daugherty and Larry Nance and signed second round draft pick Milos Babic of Yugoslavia. ... The Denver Nuggets named Loyola Marymount's Paul Westhead as their new coach. Westhead replaces Doug Moe, who was fired after 10 seasons as the Nuggets' coach.

Football

Houston Oilers linebacker John Grimsley will appear at a hearing in Houston Saturday on his free agency suit against the NFL. Grimsley filed suit against the 28 NFL clubs Thursday, charging that they deny players the right to sell their services on the open market. Grimsley has not signed a contract and has not reported to training camp. Grimsley had asked for a temporary restraining order, making him an unrestricted free agent, but was denied. The hearing was scheduled for Saturday in federal court in Houston. Grimsley was able to file suit as an individual since the NFL and the NFL players association have been without a contract since 1987 and the union has decertified itself.

Hockey

The St. Louis Blues pounded the Stanley Cup champion Edmonton Oilers 10-1 in an exhibiton game in Dusseldorf, West Germany. The victory earned the Blues the innaugural Epson Cup, a four-team tournament ehich included two West German teams. Geoff Courtnall, obtained in a trade with the Washington Capitals this summer, paced the Blues with four goals and an assist. Rob Brind'Amour had a goal and four assists.

Track

Leroy Burrell defeated Olympic champion Carl Lewis in the 100 meters for the second time this season, easily defeating his mentor at the IAAF Mobil Grand Prix final in Athens, Greece. Burrell, who trained under Lewis at the University of Houston, won in 10.04 seconds. Lewis finished third in 10.12, just behind Mark Witherspoon's 10.11. The victory cemented

Burrell's status as the No. 1 sprinter in the world for 1990. Burrell also beat Lewis at the Goodwill Games in July.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - Manville Corp. said Friday it has agreed in principle to restructure the trust fund established to pay health claims by victims exposed to asbestos products formerly made by the company.

The restructuring, which was ordered by a federal judge, provides additional funding for the trust, said Leon Silverman, an advisor appointed by a federal bankruptcy court.

The refinancing plan includes a revised payment schedule, under which distributions after the second year are subject to Manville's performance and financing, and a stock conversion that will result in the trust owning about 80 percent of Manville's outstanding common stock.

The trust now holds about 50 percent of the common stock.

The refinancing plan continues the 20 percent of net company profits to be paid to the trust each year.

The trust announced earlier this year it was unable to pay current asbestos personal-injury claimants for more than 20 years.

The trust faces more than 130,000 claims, and ran out of cash in settling the first 23,000 cases.

Assets of the trust, which was formed as part of Manville's 1986 bankruptcy court reorganization, consist mostly of Manville stock.

Two year later, the Denver-based company emerged from bankruptcy protection that was brought on by numerous asbestos liabilities.

On orders of U.S. District Court Judge Jack Weinstein of Brooklyn, company representatives and Silverman developed the plan, Manville said in a statement.

''We are satisfied the understanding that has been reached between the parties is in the best interest of all our shareholders, and sets the framework around which the restructuring of the trust can continue,'' said Tom Manville, Manville chairman and chief executive officer.

John Sawhill, chairman of the board of trustees of the trust, said in a statement the trustees were pleased with the agreement in principle.

''The trustees believe the proposed funding will assist the trust in meeting commitments to beneficiaries and will allow flexibility to maximize the value of the trust's assets,'' Sawhill said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - Mexico and the United States will start official free trade negotiations in mid-1991, taking a giant step forward in the move to bring the two economies closer together, Mexico's ambassador said Friday.

Mexican Ambassador to the United States Gustavo Petricioli said that President Carlos Salinas de Gortari took a decisive step by sending a formal petition for negotiations to President Bush last week.

Congress will take several months to authorize negotiations, which should begin by the middle of next year.

Petricioli, a former finance minister, said he was enthusiastic about the possibilities that free trade could offer to Mexico and the United States, whose bilateral trade reached $53 billion in 1989.

Bush and Salinas, who met in Washington in June, jointly announced negotiations would include trade barriers, tariffs, investments, goods, services, copyrights and trademarks.

U.S. Embassy officials in Mexico City said recently the talks could last up to five years, adding that the process would be long and tedious because of the great number of issues involved in forming such an agreement between two countries that share a 1,933-mile border.

Petricioli said his country has discovered that ''there is life after the foreign debt,'' and has been reorganizing its economy to compete successfully on world markets.

Mexico has a $95 billion debt owed to creditor banks that was recently renegotiated under the U.S.-backed Brady Plan.

A major part of the country's economic adjustment program was to end the almost complete dependency on oil-produced income, which at one point made up 75 percent of the country's incoming funds. Petricioli said Mexico now receives 35 percent of its income from oil sales.

Petricioli said Mexico is convinced that competition in international exports ''will be the name of the game'' in the future and is preparing itself to widen trade not only with the United States but also with Latin America and the rest of the world.

He added that reaching an agreement ''will not be easy'', but said the opening of export markets is crucially important to Mexico, so that the country can increase jobs and take advantage of its growing labor force.

A free trade agreement could provide up to 1 million more jobs a year, Petricioli said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 7) UPI - President Bush departed Friday night for a superpower summit meeting in Helsinki, Finland, where U.S. officials said he will ask Mikhail Gorbachev to withdraw all Soviet military advisers from Iraq.

The officials said Bush also will urge Gorbachev, who supports a worldwide economic embargo against Saddam Hussein, to have the Soviet Union play a more direct role in the multinational forces arrayed against the Iraqi leader.

Bush was scheduled to arrive in Helsinki at 4 a.m. EDT Saturday for five hours of hastily arranged talks on Sunday with Gorbachev, the third meeting of the two leaders in the last 10 months.

The Persian Gulf crisis marks the first time since World War II that the two superpowers have been on the same side in a regional conflict, and Bush wants to build on the new union.

''We have reached a turning point in history, one in which we have a chance to define a new and more peaceful international order,'' Bush said in a written statement to reporters accompanying him on the eight- hour flight to Helsinki.

As Soviet and American officials describe the summit, it will be relatively informal, in the pattern of the meeting at Malta in December 1989 or the informal talks at the Camp David presidential retreat that followed their formal sessions in Washington last spring.

A senior American official, speaking on the basis of no further identification, told reporters Friday that the Gulf crisis and the international effort to isolate Saddam will be the main topic of the meeting, but not the only one.

The official said that a photograph of the two leaders together after agreeing on further cooperative action to force a withdrawal of Iraqi troops from occupied Kuwait ''would be a very helpful signal'' to send to Saddam.

West German political leader Oskar LaFontaine, who met with Bush at the White House Friday, said the president ''pointed out that he was trying to coordinate gulf policy with Gorbachev and ... that he's well aware of the historic cooperation that exists between the Soviet Union and Iraq.''

The U.S. official said it would be useful but not essential for the Soviets to send ground forces to join the 27 nations that have sent, or intend to send, forces to the Persian Gulf. More than 100,000 U.S. troops are in Saudi Arabia and 50 U.S. warships are operating in the region to protect strategically important oil supplies.

Alexei Vassilev, a top Soviet official and adviser to the Supreme Soviet, told a news conference Friday, ''I can't imagine President Gorbachev could find it possible to send any military forces. There is a strong feeling in public opinion against the use of Soviet forces.''

''But,'' Vassilev said, ''I wouldn't rule out sending one or two ships, in a move that would be more symbolic and psychological than real.''

Another Soviet official, Konstantin Jrouevtsev, head of the Arab department of the Soviet Academy of Sciences, agreed, saying, ''The domestic situation in the Soviet Union is so grave that any event abroad would lead to disturbances inside the Soviet Union and adversely affect Gorbachev's popularity.''

The senior American official said the issue of the Soviet military advisers remaining in Iraq would be raised by Bush in Helsinki. Moscow has said it has 193 uniformed military advisers left in Iraq, as well as about 6,000 civilians and dependents.

The Soviet advisers have been described as being mainly involved in overseeing previously contracted military supplies to Iraq.

The U.S. official said the Soviets have been helpful in the international effort in ''the first post-Cold War crisis,'' and the two leaders also will discuss how to make further use of a United Nations that has been revitalized with the waning of superpower acrimony.

For their part, the Soviets were expected to point out that they have suffered severe economic harm, including the loss of Iraqi oil, and the virtual cancellation $5 billion Baghdad owes Mosocw for military sales.

At the same time, the Soviet economy is on the verge of collapse, with everything from cigarettes to bread and vodka reported in short supply.

Diplomatic officials said Gorbachev is expected to request some short-term economic help from Bush, although the seven leading industrial nations

agreed at their July summit in Houston to withhold direct financial support until there has been a basic reform of the Soviet economic system.

One official said the Soviets are expected to ask for American help in upgrading the pipelines and oil-field equipment.

The Soviets have informed some of the foreign customers for Soviet gas and oil that contracts cannot be honored because Soviet pipelines are so leaky and decrepit that a safe flow of oil and gas is not possible.

U.S. officials said that arms control issues will not be a major consideration at the Helsinki meeting.

One State Department source said the strategic arms reduction negotiations in Geneva have progressed steadily until there is only ''a long list of minor, nuts-and-bolts issues to be dealt with, not the sort of thing that requires high-level intervention from the leaders.''

The official said talks on reducing conventional forces in Europe also have progressed, but a few technical issues remain to be settled, including definition of planes and helicopters to be restricted on both sides.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 7) UPI - Disciplinary proceedings have been initiated against three prominent physicians accused of prescribing potentially life-threatening doses of painkillers to actress Elizabeth Taylor, the state Medical Board said Friday.

The proceedings against Drs. William Skinner, Michael Gottlieb and Michael Roth could result in the suspension or revocation of their licenses, said Deputy Attorney General Earl Plowman, who represents the board.

The physicians could also be reprimanded or restricted from writing prescriptions for restricted drugs, Plowman said.

Skinner, identified by investigators as Taylor's primary physician, is a nationally recognized expert on drug abuse. He is medical director of the chemical dependency center at St. John's Hospital and Medical Center in Santa Monica.

Gottlieb is the immunologist who reported the first AIDS case in the United States. Roth, a prominent AIDS specialist, is Gottlieb's former partner.

Last April, the District Attorney's office declined to file criminal

charges against the three doctors, saying that while they displayed poor judgment in prescribing drugs to Taylor, there was no criminal intent.

Prosecutors referred the the matter to the state medical board for possible administrative sanctions.

After reviewing the evidence against the physicians, the board on Aug. 28 filed allegations accusing the doctors of unprofessional conduct for prescribing ''copious and excessive amounts of controlled substances far beyond what would be medically justified for a single patient,'' Plowman said. The allegations were announced Thursday.

Plowman said the board accused the physicians of writing more than 1,000 prescriptions for Taylor since the mid-1980s for painkillers, tranquilizers, sleeping medications and diet pills. The prescribed drugs included injectable Demoral - often described as synthetic heroin - Percodan and Valium.

The board will hold hearings on the allegations before an administrative law judge sometime in the next few months. At the conclusion of the hearings, the judge will recommend disciplinary action against the physicians to the board.

Taylor, 58, who won best actress Academy Awards for ''Butterfield 8'' in 1960 and ''Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf'' in 1966, has frequently admitted her dependence on pills and alcohol. She also has made several well-publicized attempts at detoxification - efforts which Plowman said were undermined by the three physicians.

''While this patient was making efforts to de-toxify, these physicians continued to prescribe drugs to her,'' Plowman said.

''I think it goes beyond simple negligence. With that amount of prescriptions, the patient could easily have killed herself with an overdose,'' he said.

Deputy District Attorney Daniel Feldstern, who declined to file criminal charges against the three doctors in April, concurred.

''The poor judgment exercised by these physicians in prescribing massive doses of narcotics exposed their patient to the very real possibility of a life-threatening overdose,'' he said in a written report.

Taylor, who did not face possible charges as part of the district attorney's probe, has suffered recurring back problems since she fell from a horse in 1945 during the filming of the motion picture ''National Velvet.'' She also suffers from curvature of the spine, a herniated disc, muscle spasms and arthritis in her neck.

Skinner and Gottlieb also are accused of intentionally omitting Taylor's drug use from her medical records at St. John's Hospital. Such an omission could have proved fatal in a medical emergency, the medical board said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 8) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Miami (25) (0-0)	643	1
2.	Notre Dame (11) (0-0)	606	2
3.	Florida State (4) (0-0)	554	3
4.	Auburn (3) (0-0)	546	4
5.	Southern Cal (1) (1-0)	409	6
6.	Michigan (0-0)	375	7
7.	Colorado (0-0-1)	371	5
8.	Tennessee (1-0-1)	347	9
9.	Nebraska (1) (1-0)	312	8
10.	Clemson (1-0)	276	10
11.	Texas A&M (1-0)	178	11
12.	Illinois (0-0)	164	12
13.	Virginia (1-0)	99	21
14.	Ohio State (0-0)	97	13
15.	Arkansas (0-0)	77	15
16.	Washington (0-0)	71	16
17.	Alabama (0-0)	67	17
18.	Brigham Young (1-0)	66	14
19.	Pittsburgh (1-0)	41	20
20.	Penn State (0-0)	37	18
21.	UCLA (0-0)	20	19
22.	Fresno State (1-0)	14	z
23.	(tie) Florida (0-0)	6	z
23.	(tie) Michigan State (0- 0)	6	22
23.	(tie) Texas (0-0)	6	24

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Others receiving votes: Arizona, Georgia, North Carolina State, Syracuse, West Virginia.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred

from television appearances and postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches.
Those schools are Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - The following is Money Magazine's Small Investor Index (Dec. 31, 1989 average equals 100):

This week 99.79, up 0.25 or 0.25 percent, compared with 99.54 the previous week.

The week's change for each asset:

Category	Index	PC Chg. Week Ago	PC Chg. Year Ago
Stocks			
Blue chips	93.64	up 0.61	off 4.78
Small stocks	84.18	up 0.03	off 19.35
Equity funds	93.90	up 0.09	off 6.37
Bonds			
Taxable bonds	102.47	up 0.33	up 5.98
Municipal bonds	101.91	off 0.27	up 3.25
Bond funds	100.64	up 0.46	up 1.41
Cash			
CDs	105.46	up 0.15	up 8.04
Money funds	104.12	up 0.11	up 6.04
Other			
Real estate	101.20	up 0.08	up 1.93
Gold	91.32	off 0.39	up 12.30

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - The Bush administration today announced the United States will provide 12-Million dollars worth of rice, flour and vegetable oil for refugees in Jordan. The donation will be shipped by the end of this month. More than 120-thousand people... most of them Asians who worked in Kuwait... are stranded in refugee camps on Jordan's border with Iraq. They badly need food and water.

171 Americans flew out of Iraq to Jordan today. U-S officials hope it's the first of a series of charter flights to get some 22-hundred U-S citizens out of Kuwait. The freed hostages report changing hideouts every few days and wearing disguises to escape Iraqi soldiers. A number of British and Canadian nationals held in Kuwait also left and flew home

today.

Authorities say a man who fired shots from a rifle atop a Pittsburgh high-rise today shot himself in the head and fell 15 stories to his death. Witnesses say the man had given his rifle to police earlier in the afternoon... but apparently held onto a pistol. Investigators say the man had fired a number of rounds earlier, but didN'T hit anyone.

A copy of the nation's largest unmanned launch vehicle fell over while being moved at Edwards Air Force Base in California today. The resulting explosion killed at least one worker and injured another. Observers could see smoke from the accident 30 miles away. The giant Titanstage, liquid-fueled vehicle with two solid-rocket boosters. Its first flight was in June of 1989.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - U-S officials say President Bush will ask the Soviet Union to pull all its military advisers from Iraq when he meets with President Gorbachev. Sources say the president will also use the Helsinki summit to ask Moscow to play a more direct role in the multi- national force in the Middle East. A top Soviet official says he could NOT imagine Gorbachev sending troops... but predicted he may send one or two ships in a symbolic move.

Colombia now offers reduced sentences for cocaine traffickers who surrender. But the father of three of Colombia's biggest drug dealers has rejected the offer. Fabio Ochoa says the offer contains a lot of tricks and he wants serious guarantees for his sons. Colombia says it will cut sentences for cocaine traffickers by up to one-half if they identify others. Also, Colombia WON'T extradite them to the United States.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 7) UPI - New York Yankees executive vice president Leonard Kleinman met with Commissioner Fay Vincent for two more hours Friday to discuss his role in the Howard Spira incident.

Kleinman met with Vincent for six hours Thursday regarding his part in former Yankee general partner George Steinbrenner's dealings with admitted gambler Spira. The hearing was recessed until Sept. 17.

Vincent summoned Kleinman, the club's executive vice president, regarding Kleinman's role in former general partner George Steinbrenner's payment of $40,000 to Spira.

Kleinman tried unsuccessfully to block the hearing, filing a lawsuit against Vincent, claiming vincent is biased against him. U.S. District Judge Leonard B. Sand Wednesday turned down Kleinman's request for a temporary restraining order.

Steinbrenner's $40,000 payment to Spira for information on former Yankees outfielder Dave Winfield was the key factor in Vincent's decision to order Steinbrenner to give up his position as the team's general partner.

Steinbrenner agreed last month to give up control of the Yankees and nominated Kleinman to take over as general partner. Vincent rejected Kleinman as a candidate, claiming he also was under investigation for his part in the Spira incident.

The Yankees limited partners then selected Broadway producer Robert Nederlander.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - Exiled Kuwaiti diplomats say they are worried the hostage situation in Iraq and Kuwait is getting more attention than Iraq's occupation of the oil-rich emirate. The diplomats in Cairo say their main goal is to restore the Kuwaiti ruling family. They urge either a coup to topple Iraqi President Saddam Hussein or a military strike to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

The United States today came out against any food shipments to Iraq. India China and Iran have demanded the United Nations allow assistance for refugees stranded in Iraq. But a senior U-S official in New York says a food emergency does NOT exist in Iraq. The U-N embargo against Baghdad prohibits food exports UNless such shipments are ''humanitarian assistance.''

Eight youths were indicted in New York today for felony murder and robbery in the slaying of a young tourist on a subway platform. The victim was stabbed to death as he tried to defend his family from a gang of muggers. A state judge ordered the indicted youths held without bond... much to the displeasure of the suspects' supporters who crammed the courtroom. The prosecutor says seven of the defendants made videotaped confessions.

In Gainesville, Florida, a vandal cut camera cables today during a live broadcast of a Phil Donahue show about the murders of five students in the college town. The picture went black for a few seconds but was restored using the one camera still working. Several Gainesville and university officials had refused to appear on the show... which came less than two weeks after the bodies were found.

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#90250u2487 09/07/1990 ~United Press International
PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 10) UPI - Leaf Inc. North America Friday announced it was seeking a buyer for its Clark brand candy bar and would transfer all candy production from its Pittsburgh facilities in late 1991.

''The reorganization of our production facilities and our decision to sell the Clark brand is part of Leaf's long-range strategy of consolidation, modernization and simplification,'' said James Hanlon, Leaf's president and chief executive officer.

''While the Clark bar is and remains a strong regional brand, it is no longer part of our ideal product mix,'' Hanlon said. ''We believe the Clark bar will be a successful brand addition for another company, particularly one that is set up to market regional brands.''

Hanlon said the plans were revealed in advance of the Pittsburgh plant closing to give Leaf's 170 area workers at least a year to find new jobs.

All production will be transferred from the Pittsburgh plant in the fourth quarter of 1991, he said.

Hanlon said Leaf plans to transfer production of its Zagnut brand candy bar to the company's peanut facility in Centralia, Ill., and of P.B. Crunchers to its Robinson, Ill., facility.

In 1992 and 1993, Leaf will transfer production from its two Chicago plants to facilities in Robinson, Tenn., and Memphis, Tenn., as was announced earlier this year.

Hanlon said the moves were necessary to combine manufacturing operations of ''like products in plants with similar capabilities.''

Leaf brands also include Jolly Rancher, Milk Duds, Whoppers, Heath Bar, PayDay, Good & Plenty, Donruss Baseball Cards, and Switzer licorice and cherry candy.

Leaf Inc. was formed in 1983 when Huhtamaki Oy of Finland acquired the operations of Leaf Confectionery Inc., the Beatrice Confections unit of Beatrice Foods Co. and the Donruss division of General Mills Inc.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 7) UPI - A series of chemical-related explosions rocked a chemical plant in an unincorporated county area near Torrance Friday, sending panicky employees running for shelter, authorities said.

No one was hurt, officials said.

The first explosion was reported about 9 p.m. EDT at the Amoco Chemical Corp. facility, sheriff's Sgt. Lamar Blevins said.

A second-alarm fire broke out and was followed by more explosions, said a dispatcher for the Los Angeles County Fire Department, who confirmed the company stores large quantities of chemical products at the plant.

Employees fled the plant, but no injuries were reported. Seventy- five firefighters squelched the flames within a half-hour.

County fire inspector Tony Duran said the explosions were traced to a volatile mixture of some form of mineral oil and styrene, an ingredient used in the process of making plastic.

Roads leading to the area were closed briefly. Fire officials abandoned plans to evacuate the neighborhood surrounding the facility when it was determined the smoke did not pose an immediate health threat.

There was no immediate damage estimate.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - President Bush has left the nation's capital for Helsinki Finland. Bush is slated to meet with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev Sunday to discuss, among other things, the crisis in the Middle East. The meeting is the third between the two men in 10 months.

171 Americans were airlifted from Kuwait today aboard a U-S- chartered Iraqi airliner. The removal is the first of an UNknown number of flights that U-S officials hope will lead to freedom for 13-hundred U-S women and children trapped in the Iraqi-occupied oil-rich emirate.

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Secretary of State Baker is in Egypt following a successful fundraising tour in Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. The Saudi government and Kuwait's exiled leaders pledged BILLIONS of dollars to the U-S military effort to contain Iraqi forces.

Two workers were injured and another one was killed when a test version of an Air Force Titan-4 rocket booster fell and exploded as it was being moved today. The blast at Edwards Air Force Base in California released a huge toxic cloud laced with hydrochloric acid. The plume was visible for 30 miles.

Eight New York youths are being held without bond following their indictment on murder and robbery charges today. The eight are accused of Sunday's brutal stabbing death of a Utah man who tried to shield his family from the gang.

Pittsburgh police say a man in his 40's took his life this afternoon after holding authorities at bay for nearly five hours. The man was perched atop a 15-story building, armed with a rifle and handgun which he fired at random. Authorities say he shot himself and fell to the pavement.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - A Boston criminal justice authority said today he does NOT think the leading suspect in the brutal slayings of five Florida college students committed the murders. The expert said the cold, calculating nature of the crimes were likely beyond the suspect... who has been described as ''psychotic.''

Memorial services are scheduled for Tuesday for University of Chicago chemistry professor Nathan Sugarman. The 73-year-old Sugarman... who helped develop the atomic bomb during World War Two... died of a heart attack last night.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami says Hurricane Isidore was located about 875 miles west-northwest of the Cape Verde Islands. Isidore has winds of 100 miles an hour and is churning north at 14 miles an hour.

Pope John Paul is in the central African nation of Rwanda. The pontiff arrived in the tiny country this afternoon and immediately expressed sorrow for the famine that claimed several hundred lives earlier this year.

Wichita, Kansas-based Rodeo Meats has recalled the company's Fresh Pork Sausage brand bearing the code number 230 and establishment number 17-D. The action was spurred by the possibility the product could contain hard bits of plastic that could cause injuries if consumed.

One of baseball's most daring feats is to try to steal home. It turns out to be a rather daring escapade even for those people NOT on the major league roster. A couple of Chicago White Sox fans tried to use of the cloak of darkness to make off with home plate. But the would-be thieves were nabbed by an eagle-eyed security guard at Comiskey Park.

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(SEPT. 7) UPI - President Bush is on his way to a meeting with Soviet

President Gorbechev. Bush describes Sunday's scheduled summit as- in his words- ''a turning point in history.'' The U-S president left tonight for Helsinki, Finland. In a written statement, Bush said he and the Soviet leader- quote- ''have a chance to define a new and more peaceful international order.''

Secretary of State Baker is in Cairo for talks with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. Baker's arrival follows his successful bid for Saudi and Kuwaiti leaders to shoulder some of the burden of sending U-S troops to the Middle East. But although Arab governments are agreeing to foot some of the bill, it appears as if a Washington plan to set up a NATO-type organization in the Persian Gulf is being down-played by Arab leaders.

Officials at California's Edwards Air Force Base say at least one death and nine injuries resulted from an explosion of an experimental rocket booster today. The casualties occurred after the Air Force Titanfoot fall triggered an explosion which spewed a tongue of flame into the sky. The toxic fireball was seen up to 30 miles away, but officials say it posed NO threat to people.

Utility authorities in Waterford, Connecticut, have shut down the reactor at the Millstone-One nuclear power plant. A spokesman for Northeast Utilities says the move was taken as a precaution after a possible malfunction was discovered in the plant's emergency cooling system. The spokesman says the plant would resume regular operations once the malfunction is fixed.

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#90250u2667 09/07/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 7) UPI - The mayor of Moscow today joined calls for the resignation of Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov. The mayor said the city would ignore a central government decision and sell cigarettes at market prices because of shortages that have led to tobacco riots. Ryzhkov tonight blamed shortages on ''a drop in discipline'' and the lack of action by local authorities... rather than on the central economy system.

135-Million dollars in stolen British bonds were slipped between the pages of two telephone books being shipped to Peru. The negotiable bonds were found at the Miami airport. They are about one-fifth of the total stolen in London in May. Customs officials say they found the bonds last night during a routine inspection of packages.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Coming out swinging with its new line of high-performance network products, Microsoft Corp. will play the world's

largest electronic golf game, for 35,000 people, at Fall NetWorld 1990 starting Monday.

All NetWorld attendees at the Dallas Convention Center will be able to play the Microsoft ShowNet Open on more than 200 workstations spread through the exhibit halls.

The ShowNet Open was developed in cooperation with H.A. Bruno, NetWorld's trade show management firm, and Lante Corp., the provider of the ShowNet LAN that supports the trade show. It was implemented by H.A. Bruno.

''People who have wondered whether our new products are on par with the competition may discover that we're several strokes ahead,'' said Mike Murray, general manager of the network business unit at Microsoft. ''This is a way to let NetWorld attendees have a little fun and also demonstrate the power of our systems under enormous loads. It's a fair way to test us and maybe we can chip away at the market.''

Grand prize for the contest is a world-class network server consisting of Microsoft LAN Manager version 2.0, a powerful network operating system, and a COMPAQ SYSTEMPRO, donated by Microsoft and Compaq Computer Corp. Second prize is round-trip plane tickets to anywhere in the United States; and other smaller prizes will be awarded.

Spread throughout the exhibition floor will be more than 200 workstations that attendees can use to play the game, tied together by LAN Manager systems provided by Microsoft and 3Com Corp. Microsoft SQL Server, a high-performance, intelligent multiuser relational database management system, stores and manages records for each of the show's attendees along with their scores for each ''round'' of the golf game.

In addition, SQL Server tracks and reports the top 10 contestants on an hourly basis. This is a task of some magnitude for 35,000 attendees -- demonstrating the power of LAN Manager and SQL Server in meeting the demanding requirements for high performance is an online transaction processing (OLTP) environment.

Contestant information and scores are protected by security and fault-tolerance features that are standard in Microsoft LAN Manager. LAN Manager's sophisticated network administration tools, including multi-server control facilities, will ensure easy administration and monitoring of the game by the ShowNet organizers.

The ShowNet Open is designed as a client-server application running on LAN Manager and SQL Server. Lante developed a front-end application to SQL Server for data entry into the ShowNet Open database. The front-end application relies on SQL Server's high-speed transaction processing design to handle the large number of simultaneous requests from users

accessing the contestant and scoring database.

For more in-depth information, Microsoft demos and videos visit Microsoft at booth number 1610.

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#90251d1010 09/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, (SEPT 8) - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said Saturday that the Soviet Union should be encouraged to send forces to the Gulf.

"I think if (Soviet President Mikhail) Gorbachev would be prepared to send something, it would be good," Mrs. Thatcher told journalists during a visit to Scotland.

"It would not be the first time. In the Iran-Iraq war, things got a bit tricky in the Gulf because there were mines being laid affecting the safety of shipping," she continued.

"At that time the United States were there, we were there, our Dutch friends were there, Belgium -- and there was part of the Soviet fleet. It was very good cooperation," she said.

Before leaving Washington for a meeting in Helsinki with Mr. Gorbachev, U.S. President George Bush had said he did not plan to ask the Soviet leader to dispatch forces to the Gulf.

Mrs. Thatcher also noted that "the U.N. resolution (enforcing trade sanctions on Iraq) was passed by the Security Council, which has 15 countries, but it applies to everyone."

She called the summit meeting "a very good idea," adding, "What is vital, as the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe have made these massive changes, is to bring them to more regular talks and discussions so we know what one another is thinking. You start then to shape policy, because you know how the other reacts."

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#90251d1060 09/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABU DHABI, (SEPT 8) - General Norman Schwarzkopf, commander of U.S. forces in the Gulf, and President Zayed ibn Sultan al-Nahayan held talks here Saturday on defence cooperation, the Emirates news agency WAM reported.

Gen. Schwarzkopf was greeted on arrival earlier Saturday by the chief-of-staff of the United Arab Emirates armed forces, Major General Mohammad Saed al-Badie, and other senior army officers.

The United States has deployed around 100,000 troops in the Gulf for its Desert Shield operation since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2. Along with France, Egypt, Morocco and Syria, it has also sent forces to the UAE.

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#90251d1130 09/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KARACHI, (SEPT 8) - Unidentified gunmen killed at least three people and injured 11 Saturday in the eastern Malir district of Karachi, hospital sources said.

Officials were not available to comment on the cause of the incident, but residents said gunmen riding in vehicles opened fire on people in the market area as well as on some residential quarters.

Among the dead was a 13-year-old boy, the sources said.

The injured were taken to Jinnah Hospital.

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#90251d1170 09/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HELSINKI, (SEPT 8) - U.S. President George Bush stopped his motorcade at a Finnish market on Saturday for a bit of campaign-style flesh-pressing.

After lunch with Finnish President Mauno Koivisto, Mr. Bush headed for the U.S. Embassy to address diplomats and their families.

On the way, he stopped the motorcade by a seaside market to shake hands and banter with members of the crowd of several hundred people, including several American tourists.

He told a Finnish woman holding an apple, "I'll trade you that for my tie pin," which bears the presidential seal, but for reasons that were not immediately clear, the exchange did not take place.

"Thanks very much," Mr. Bush said into the microphone of his black limousine before driving away. "Long live Finland!"

Hundreds of people, some waving small Finnish and American flags, lined the route taken by the presidential motorcade.

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#90251d1250 09/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM, (SEPT 8) - President Saddam Hussein's campaign to win Africa's support for his invasion of Kuwait was rejected by Tanzanian President Ali Hassan Mwinyi Saturday.

A presidential statement issued here said Mr. Mwinyi voiced his opposition

and asked Iraq to respect the "sovereignity and territorial integrity" of other states.

Mr. Mwinyi told Mr. Hussein's visiting Labour Minister Omadi Medhat Mubarak that "both Iraq and Kuwait have been Tanzania's very close friends, but the truth has to be said."

He said Tanzania fully supports the United Nations Security Council's resolutions calling for Iraqi's withdrawal and immediate restoration of the royal family of Kuwait.

This was the first time Tanzania had made public its policy stand on Kuwait's invasion by neighbouring Iraq.

Mr. Mwinyi, who was until 1981 a Tanzanian ambassador to the Middle East said his country hoped that a peaceful settlement would be found as it was in everybody's interest that war did not erupt in the Gulf.

He said the first step towards a peaceful settlement would be for Iraq to pull out of Kuwait, followed by the withdrawal of external forces from the Gulf.

Mr. Hussein's roving envoy, whose visit has been snubbed by both the Kenyan and Ugandan governments, was accompanied by Iraqi ambassadors to Tanzania and Zimbabwe, Fauzi Al-Bandari and Essam Abdul-Ghana.

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#90251d1260 09/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (SEPT 8) - The United States plans to sell Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates hundreds of advanced tanks, on top of other arms sales announced earlier, the New York Times said Saturday.

The paper quoted administrative officials as saying the Pentagon was likely to notify Congress as early as next week that it wants to sell Riyadh 385 units of the M-1A2 tank, a large, modernised version of the M-1, with bigger guns and technological improvements.

Other armoured vehicles such as the M-2 Bradley may also be included in the package, the official said, and a separate tank sale was being ''viewed favorably'' for the United Arab Emirates.

Last week the administration announced an emergency 2.2-billion-dollar sale to Saudi Arabia of 24 F-15 fighter jets and 150 of the older M-60 tanks, to be taken from U.S. units and shipped immediately to Saudi Arabia to bolster Saudi forces facing Iraq.

The additional sale would almost double that order.The M-1A2 cost more than 3 million dollars each, the paper said, and would take years to build and deliver.

The paper said several longstanding Saudi arms requests that had previously been placed on the back burner were now being given urgent consideration due to the Gulf crisis.

Secretary of State James Baker has said that Washington aims to bolster the Gulf's self-sufficiency in arms so that future Middle East crises will not require such massive deployments of U.S. troops.

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#90251d1340 09/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA, (SEPT 8) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is to address a message to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and U.S. President George Bush on television and radio later Saturday, the Iraqi News Agency (INA) said.

The Soviet and U.S. presidents are to meet Sunday in Helsinki for a summit focused on the Gulf crisis.

INA, monitored here, said Mr. Hussein's message was to be broadcast at 9:00 p.m. local time (1700 GMT).

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#90251d4230 09/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 10) - A giant panda named Qingqing was successfully nursing two cubs for the first time after giving birth to twins recently in Chengdu Zoo in Sichuan province, the New China News Agency (NCNA) reported.

In a report monitored here, NCNA said the twins were conceived by artificial insemination using frozen semen.

It was the first time one panda had nursed two cubs, said a spokesman for the Chengdu research base for the artificial breeding of giant pandas.

One of the twins was a female, tentatively named Guanguan, while the other was a male named Junjun. They were 16 days old and healthy, the official report said Saturday.

Guanguan has grown to 360 grams (12.6 ounces) from 150 grams (5.25 ounces) at birth while Junjun has grown to 335 grams (11.7 ounces) from 140 grams (4.9 ounces), the report said.

Qingqing, herself artificially bred, gave birth to her first cub in October and it was reported to be doing fine.

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#90251u0109 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 8) UPI - 28 people who registered for a yoga class in Stephens County, Georgia, will have to seek another method of relaxation. That's because fundamentalist Christian Philip Lawrence... who sees yoga as Satan's work... was able to convince county and town officials in Toccoa to NOT sponsor the class. Lawrence said the calm offered by yoga gives the devil free reign to manipulate the mind of the yoga practioner.

In Romulus, Michigan, a judge has ordered a California man to stand trial on murder charges for helping his cancer-stricken wife commit suicide. The man said he and his wife went to the Detroit area under the mistaken impression it was legal in Michigan to assist in a suicide. Authorities say 72-year-old Bertram Harper suffocated his 69-year-old wife with a plastic bag after she took a number of sleeping pills last month.

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#90251u0163 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 8) UPI - AL BOX SCORES

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
RHendersn lf	4	1	0	0	Sax 2b	4	0	0	0
McGee cf	5	1	1	1	Leyritz lf	4	0	1	0
Canseco rf	4	2	2	1	Kelly cf	3	0	1	0
Baines dh	4	1	0	0	Barfield rf	3	1	1	1
Lansford 3b	3	1	0	0	Balboni 1b	4	0	1	0
Bordick 3b	1	0	1	0	Cerone dh	3	0	0	0
McGwire 1b	4	1	1	2	Azocar dh	1	0	0	0
Hassey c	2	0	1	0	Velarde 3b	4	0	0	0
Randolph 2b	3	0	0	0	Geren c	2	0	0	0

Gallego ss	3	0	0	0	Nokes c	1	0	0	0
					Espinoza ss	2	0	1	0
					Hall ph	1	0	1	0
					Tolleson ss	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	7	6	4	Totals	32	1	6	1

Oakland	000 015 001- 7
New York	000 100 000- 1

E-Balboni, Velarde. DP-Oakland 1, New York 2. LOB-Oakland 6, New York 6.
2B- Leyritz, Canseco, Kelly. HR-Barfield (22), McGwire (35), Canseco (36).
SB- RHenderson (56).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Young (W 8-5)	5	4	1	1	1	4
Burns (S 3)	4	2	0	0	1	2
New York						
Hawkins (L 5-12)	5 1-3	4	6	5	5	3
Robinson	1 2-3	1	0	0	1	0
Jones	2	1	1	1	1	0

WP-Robinson. T-2:44. A-27,034.
Umpires-Home, Garcia; 1b, Reilly; 2b, Palermo; 3b, Young.

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	6	0	1	0	Reed ss	4	1	1	0
GGriffey lf	5	1	4	2	Quintana 1b	5	1	2	2
Buhner rf	1	0	0	0	Boggs 3b	5	0	2	2
KGriffey cf	4	1	1	0	Burks cf	4	1	2	0
Davis dh	5	0	2	0	Greenwell lf	5	0	0	0
O'Brien 1b	4	0	1	1	Brunansky rf	3	0	1	0
Briley rf	3	0	1	0	Marshall dh	5	0	0	0
Cotto lf	2	0	0	0	Pena c	5	1	2	1
EMartinez 3b	5	1	1	0	Rivera ss	2	0	0	0
Valle c	4	1	2	0	Heep ph	0	0	0	0
Vizquel ss	3	0	2	1	Stone pr	0	0	0	0
Barrett 2b	0	0	0	0					
Plantier ph	0	0	0	0					
Kutcher 2b	0	1	0	0					
Totals	42	4	15	4	Totals	38	5	10	5

Seattle	210 001 000 00- 4
Boston	012 000 001 01- 5

E-Vizquel. DP-Seattle 2, Boston 3. LOB- Seattle 10, Boston 11.

2B-EMartinez, Quintana. HR-GGriffey (19). SB-Reed (3). S-Vizquel, Kutcher.
SF-O'Brien, Quintana.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Swan	5 2-3	5	3	3	2	1
Swift	2 1-3	2	0	0	2	2
Jackson (L 5-7)	2 1-3	3	2	2	3	1
Boston						
Boddicker	5 2-3	12	4	4	3	2
Murphy	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Andersen	3	1	0	0	0	1
Gray (W 2-3)	1	2	0	0	0	1

T-3:26. A-32,868.
Umpires-Home, Ford; 1b, Evans; 2b, Welke; 3b, Coble.

CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Cole cf	3	0	0	0	Munoz rf	4	0	2	0
Snyder rf	1	0	0	0	Newman 2b	4	0	0	0
Browne 2b	3	0	1	0	Puckett cf	3	0	0	0
CJames dh	4	0	1	0	Gaetti 3b	3	1	1	0
McLemor dh	0	0	0	0	Harper c	3	1	1	0
Maldonado rf	4	0	1	0	Hrbek 1b	3	0	1	1
Jefferson pr	0	0	0	0	Castillo dh	3	0	1	1
Alomar c	4	0	1	0	Gladden lf	3	0	0	0
Jacoby 1b	4	0	0	0	Gagne ss	3	0	0	0
Brookens 3b	3	0	1	0					
Fermin ss	3	0	0	0					
Webster cf	3	0	0	0					
Totals	32	0	5	0	Totals	29	2	6	2

Cleveland	000 000 000- 0
Minnesota	010 000 10x- 2

E-Webster, Gaetti. LOB-Cleveland 6, Minnesota 3. 2B-Castillo. 3B-Harper.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Black (L 10-10)	8	6	2	2	0	2
Minnesota						
Anderson (W 7-17)	8 1-3	5	0	0	1	2
Aguilera (S 28)	2-3	0	0	0	0	2

WP-Anderson. T-2:10. A-18,696.
Umpires-Home, Reed; 1b, Cooney; 2b, Brinkman; 3b, Cousins.

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Whitaker 2b	3	0	0	0	Molitor 1b	4	1	2	1
Fryman 3b	4	1	2	2	Gantner 2b	4	0	0	0
Trammell ss	3	0	0	0	Sheffield 3b	3	1	0	1
Fielder 1b	4	1	1	2	DParker dh	4	1	2	0
Ward lf	3	0	1	0	Yount cf	4	1	1	3
Moseby lf	1	0	0	0	Surhoff c	3	0	0	0
Lemon rf	3	0	0	0	Deer rf	3	0	0	0
Sheets rf	1	0	0	0	Vaughn lf	2	1	0	0
Heath c	3	1	2	1	Spiers ss	3	1	1	0
Bergman ph	1	0	0	0					
Rowland dh	2	1	0	0					
Shelby dh	1	0	0	0					
Cuyler cf	4	1	1	0					
Totals	33	5	7	5	Totals	30	6	6	5

Detroit	000 002 300- 5
Milwaukee	400 200 00x- 6

DP-Detroit 1, Milwaukee 1. LOB-Detroit 4, Milwaukee 4. 2B-Heath, Fryman.
HR- Yount (14), Fielder (45), Heath (7).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Morris (L 11-17)	8	6	6	6	4	4
Milwaukee						
Higuera (W 10-6)	6 2-3	7	5	5	3	6
Crim (S 10)	2 1-3	0	0	0	0	0

T-2:26. A-14,841.
Umpires-Home, Voltaggio; 1b, Kaiser; 2b, Johnson; 3b, McKean.

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
McRae cf	5	1	2	0	Huson ss	5	0	0	1
Seitzer 3b	4	0	0	0	Franco 2b	5	1	1	0
Brett 1b	3	0	1	1	Palmeiro 1b	4	1	1	0
Tartabull rf	1	0	0	0	Sierra rf	4	1	2	1
Eisenreich rf	3	0	1	1	Daugherty dh	5	2	3	1
Jackson dh	3	2	2	1	Incaviglia lf	4	2	3	5
Wilson lf	4	0	1	1	Gonzalez cf	5	2	4	1
Stillwell ss	4	0	0	0	Stanley c	2	0	1	0
Macfarlane c	2	0	0	0	Buechele 3b	4	0	1	0

White 2b	2	1	1	0
Schulz ph	1	0	0	0
Jeltz 2b	0	0	0	0
Perry ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	33	4	8	4

Totals	38	9	16	9

Daugherty reached first via catchers interference.

Kansas City	011 010 010- 4
Texas	030 040 11x- 9

E-White, Macfarlane. DP-Texas 1. LOB- Kansas City 6, Texas 11. 2B-Gonzalez, White. 3B-Daugherty. HR-Incaviglia 2 (21), Gonzalez (2), Jackson (23).SB-McRae 2 (3), Jackson (14), Brett (8). S-Stanley. SF-Sierra, Incaviglia.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	S0
Kansas City						
Gordon (L 10-10)	4 2-3	10	7	6	2	5
Farr	2 1-3	4	1	1	1	3
Montgomery	1	2	1	0	0	0
Texas						
Hough (W 11-10)	8	8	4	4	4	5
Arnsberg	1	0	0	0	0	1

Umpires-Home, Barnett; 1b, Kosc; 2b, Morrison; 3b, Roe.
T-2:46. A-19,750.

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Polonia lf	4	0	2	0	SFinley rf	4	1	4	0
White cf	2	0	0	0	BAnderson lf	3	0	0	0
Venable cf	2	0	0	0	BRipken ph	0	0	0	0
Bichette rf	4	0	1	0	Orsulak ph	0	0	0	0
Parrish c	3	1	0	0	Gallagher lf	0	1	0	0
Downing dh	4	1	1	2	CRipken ss	4	1	0	0
Stevens 1b	4	0	0	0	Horn dh	4	2	3	4
Ray 2b	3	0	0	0	Tettleton c	3	0	3	0
Howell 3b	3	0	1	0	Worthngtn 3b	3	0	0	1
Schofield ss	2	0	0	0	Devereaux cf	4	0	0	0
McKnight 1b	4	0	0	0					
Gonzales 2b	3	1	1	0					
Totals	31	2	5	2	Totals	32	6	11	5

California	000 000 200- 2
Baltimore	000 101 40x- 6

E-Howell. DP-California 2. LOB- California 4, Baltimore 6. 2B-Horn, Tettleton, Gonzales. HR-Downing (13), Horn (11). SB-Polonia 2 (16). S-Schofield.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Grahe (L 1-3)	6 1-3	8	3	2	3	3
McClure	0	1	2	2	1	0
Fetters	1 2-3	2	1	1	0	1
Baltimore						
McDonald (W 6-4)	8	4	2	2	1	6
Olson	1	1	0	0	0	1

WP-Grahe. Balk-McClure. T-3:09. A- 22,499.
Umpires-Home, Merrill; 1b, McClelland; 2b, Denkinger; 3b, Schulock.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi
Johnson cf	4	0	0	0	Wilson cf	4	0	1	2
Guillen ss	3	0	1	1	Fernandez ss	4	0	0	0
Ventura 3b	4	0	1	0	Gruber 3b	4	1	1	0
Calderon lf	4	0	0	0	McGriff 1b	4	0	1	1
Pasqua dh	4	0	0	0	Olerud dh	1	0	0	0
Fisk c	3	0	1	0	Myers c	2	0	0	0
Thomas 1b	2	1	1	0	Borders c	1	0	0	0
Sosa rf	3	0	0	0	Ducey lf	3	0	0	0
Fletcher 2b	3	0	0	0	Lee 2b	2	1	0	0
					Felix rf	3	1	1	0
Totals	30	1	4	1	Totals	28	3	4	3

Chicago	000 010 000- 1
Toronto	000 001 20x- 3

DP-Toronto 1. LOB-Chicago 4, Toronto 6. 2B-Gruber, Wilson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Perez (L 12-13)	6 2-3	4	3	3	4	7
Patterson	1 1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Toronto						
Stottlemyre (W 13-14)	8	4	1	1	2	6
Henke (S 27)	1	0	0	0	0	0

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, McCoy; 2b, Phillips; 3b, Clark. T-2:38.
A-49,885.

-30- 10254

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GAINESVILLE, FL. (SEPT. 8) UPI - A criminal justice authority believes the killer who murdered five college students is cold and calculating and probably not the mentally ill suspect in a county jail.

''Generally those sorts of people are not capable of the meticulous, careful crime that we saw involving gloves on ones' hands,'' said James Fox, a professor at Northeastern University in Boston.

Fox made his comments on the Phil Donahue Show, broadcast live Friday from Gainesville.

Several city and University of Florida officials refused to appear on the broadcast, calling it in bad taste, and a letter to the editor in Friday's Gainesville Sun urged people not to watch.

About eight minutes into the broadcast, someone cut four television cables then fled on a bicycle, causing about a 10-second blackout, but technicians switched to the one surviving camera and quickly restrung more cable, and the show went on.

Brevard County Sheriff Jake Miller has said the suspect, Edward Humphrey, 18, has displayed ''psychotic'' behavior since his arrest Aug. 30 for beating his grandmother.

Fox said that the Gainesville serial killer was more likely a sociopath - not a psychopath.

''What we're dealing with is a person who has an insatiable need for power dominance and control, someone who knows what they're doing, who enjoys not only terrorizing his five victims but may also be enjoying the terror that has played on this community. ... It's an evil man. It's obviously not someone who's normal.''

However, another expert, Michael West, a forensics specialist who has used ultraviolet equipment to examine the crime scenes, said he could not rule out Humphrey as the killer.

''It's very possible that any of the suspects that police have right now could be the killer. This man's not a genius. He's just careful,'' West said.

Humphrey, 18, a University of Florida freshman from Indialantic, remained in the Brevard County Detention Center Friday on $1 million bond, charged with aggravated battery for allegedly beating his grandmother Aug. 30.

Arrest warrants also were issued Thursday by UF police, accusing Humphrey of two assaults on campus Aug. 25, the day before the first bodies were found.

Indian River County authorities Tuesday issued arrest warrants for Humphrey, accusing him of armed burglary and attempted sexual battery for a 1988 attack on a woman there.

Gainesville police have refused to characterize Humphrey as their prime suspect.

''We're going to stay away from identifying anyone at this point as a No. 1 suspect,'' police Lt. Sadie Darnell said Friday during a news conference. ''We are looking at eight people strongly and four of those very strongly but their hierarchy in that ranking changes almost daily.''

''I'm of the firm opinion that this individual, the killer, selects victims that appear easy to kill,'' West said. ''He kills small, petite females.

''This man is not courageous. He's not brave. You stand up, you will run him away. You're better off armed than unarmed.''

There has been a run on guns at Gainesville pawn shops and sporting goods stores, however, Gainesville Mayor Pro Tem Rodney Long urged residents Friday to leave weapons to law enforcement officials.

''It's important for this country to know that the city of Gainesville is a city that is in control of the situation, even though we are a city that has been stricken with fear,'' he said.

Authorities on Thursday searched Humphrey's Gainesville apartment, the family home in Indialantic and towed away his car to a crime lab in Jacksonville.

''Evidence, items and information we gained at both the scene here and at Brevard County is promising,'' Darnell said Friday, however she declined to say what was retrieved or if it tied Humphrey to the crimes.

Authorities in Ordway, Colo., reported that Humphrey was arrested there last month for disorderly conduct for failing to pay for gasoline, and while in custody, threatened to kill himself.

Crowley County sheriff's Sgt. Allan Turner said Humphrey's grandmother told him the suspect had left Florida without telling anyone and was apparently en route to Montana, where he had relatives and a girlfriend.

The grandmother, Elna Hlavaty, the victim of the Aug. 30 assault at her home, paid for the gasoline, and the charge was dropped.

At Thursday's hearing, Hlavaty said she wanted the aggravated battery charges dropped.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - Rumors Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had been ousted in a coup forced crude-oil prices down as much as $2 a barrel when traders elected to take profits on recent gains after the rumors turned out false.

In the previous five trading sessions, U.S. crude had risen $5.51 a barrel or 21.2 percent, to $31.43 a barrel on concerns that the Persian Gulf crisis would become a war.

Starting in Asia and Europe, markets opened lower Friday, on rumors that first surfaced on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, and stayed lower despite the expectations of some traders that they would resume their upward march.

''It was profit taking before the weekend,'' explained Martin Cherkes, vice president of commodity risk management for Continental Bank in Chicago.

''There's a psychological barrier at $32 a barrel,'' he said. Oil companies have told him ''we'll sell as much as we can at $32,'' Cherkes said.

Selling resulted because traders ''felt uncomfortable being in buy positions going into the weekend at these high levels,'' agreed Randall Rothenberg of Dean Witter Reynolds' International Energy Futures Group in New York.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery ended Friday at $30.04 a barrel, down $1.39 on the day but still up $2.72 a barrel on the week.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent plunged $2.25 to $30.40 a barrel, $2.20 above last Friday's close.

''Traders remembered that two weeks ago they got killed on (the following) Monday by remaining heavy in buy positions over the weekend,'' said Michael McDermott of PaineWebber Inc. in New York.

On Aug. 27, crude plunged by $4 a barrel and gasoline by 17 cents a gallon - both records - when Iraq raised hopes of a peace settlement by ordering

its ship captains not to contest a U.S. naval blockade.

Brent normally sells at a lesser price than WTI because of the pull of the huge U.S. market and the need to discount shipping costs.

But since mid-August, Brent has been higher than U.S. crude, apparently as a result of Europe being hit harder by the U.N. embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude imposed after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped primarily to the Far East - plummeted $1.20 to $26.60 a barrel, $2.10 higher than a week earlier.

Unleaded gasoline for October delivery ended the day down 2.01 cents at 93.06 cents a gallon, up 6.88 cents on the week.

October home-heating oil plummeted 4.26 cents to 83.98 cents a gallon, still ahead 7.42 cents on the week.

The week's petroleum product increases appeared to be largely the result of the October contract rising to the level of the September contract, which expired a week ago.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, where crude is bought and sold to the highest bidder, prompt-delivery WTI lost $1.45 to $30 a barrel, a gain of $2.70 a barrel on the week.

Sun Co., based in Radnor, Pa., along with Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp., and Du Pont's Conoco Inc. subsidiary in Houston, lowered their posted price for crude at the wellhead to $28.50 a barrel for WTI. Sun's reduction was $1.25; Conoco and Marathon's were $1.50 a barrel.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - President Bush is scheduled to arrive in Helsinki, Finland, Saturday on the eve of his mini-summit with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev. The current crisis in the Persian Gulf is the first time since World War Two that Moscow and Washington have lined up on the same side of a regional conflict. Aides to Bush say he will urge his Soviet counterpart to be more active against Iraqi aggression.

A White House-arranged meeting on the state of America's wetlands turned into a debate Friday between conservationists and developers. The Anchorage session of the president's Domestic Policy Council Task Force on Wetlands... the fifth of six scheduled around the country... saw oil industry lobbyists ask for Alaska's exemption from wetlands protection

policies. Environmentalists said the oil industry position was ill-advised.

Workers at an Iowa armaments plant Friday rejected a labor pact offered by the plant's contractor. Then the some 11-hundred workers overwhelmingly voted to walk off their jobs at the Iowa Army Ammunition Plant, which makes anti-tank missiles and other weapons deployed to the Persian Gulf. A spokesman for one of the unions involved in the action said the strike would receive negative press, but he said the company is also to blame for the walkout.

The National Science Foundation is going to reconsider an award it made because of an UNprecedented request... and bitter attack... by M-I- T. The Massachusetts school charged the award of a magnetics laboratory to Florida State University probably will force M-I-T to close its own lab. According to M-I-T, the closed lab would set back American research at least five years.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - Almost one out of every eight Americans is now a Californian, according to that state's Department of Finance. The department estimates California's population will reach 30-Million Sunday... exactly 140 years after the Sunshine state joined the union. The estimate is far above the state's original population, which ranked well below the number of elk that dotted the state back then.

Members of the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra say their group's first name could be subject to change if the price is right. The musicians published a nationwide advertisement Friday offering to relocate the renowned orchestra to a community that can support it. A spokesman for the musicians say the ad was a symbolic way to nudge the Buffalo area to NOT reduce the debt-ridden ensemble's size or reduce wages.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	81	57	.587	-	41-28	39-29	7-3	L-1
New York	77	60	.562	3 1/2	46-22	31-38	5-5	L-5
Montreal	72	65	.526	8 1/2	39-28	33-37	6-4	W-1
Chicago	64	73	.467	16 1/2	32-36	32-37	3-7	L-1
Philadel.	64	73	.467	16 1/2	34-33	30-40	6-4	W-1
St. Louis	63	75	.457	18	32-40	31-35	5-5	W-2

West								
Cincinnati	78	59	.569	-	38-26	39-33	4-6	L-2
Los Angeles	73	65	.529	5 1/2	41-29	32-35	5-5	W-2
San Fran.	70	68	.507	8 1/2	37-29	33-38	4-6	L-1
San Diego	63	74	.460	15	33-38	28-37	2-8	L-2
Houston	63	75	.457	15 1/2	40-27	23-47	6-4	W-1
Atlanta	57	81	.413	21 1/2	33-38	23-43	7-3	W-1

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HONOLULU (SEPT. 8) UPI - A federal judge late Friday refused again to halt the transfer of U.S. chemical weapons from stockpiles in West Germany to Johnston Island in the Pacific for destruction.

U.S. District Judge David Ezra, who earlier rejected a bid for a temporary restraining order, refused to issue a preliminary injunction sought by environmentalists and two native groups.

''The court does not, nor can it, pass on the wisdom of the decision made by Congress and the President to remove the European stockpile from the FRG (Federal Republic of Germany) to Johnston Atoll,'' Ezra said in a 44-page ruling. That was up to the executive and legislative branches of government, he said.

But, the judge said, the Army and Department of Defense appear to have complied with their obligations under the National Environmental Policy Act, and he cited enhanced risks associated with halting the stockpile in transit.

Sierra Club Legal Defense fund attorney Skip Spaulding said he was disappointed with the decision and planned to appeal to the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals on Monday.

Spaulding said he was told by Justice Department attorneys that the weapons are still at a railhead at Miesau and will not be taken to the North Sea port of Nordenham until later next week. The Army last month agreed not to ship any of the weapons before Sept. 10.

Greenpeace, the Institue for the Advancement of Hawaiian Affairs, and the World Council of Indigenous Peoples-Hawaii said the Army had not complied with environmental laws before starting the movement.

The groups said the shipments to the atoll, 825 miles west- southwest of Hawaii, would threaten the Pacific environment, a view echoed by a number of South Pacific nations.

A government study of possible scenarios during the ocean transport, such as explosion, fire, rocket attack, or grounding of the vessel, concluded the risks were small and the effects would be slight. Opponents said such calamities could cause severe damage to the environment.

Ezra said the ''speculative harm'' the plaintiffs complained of was inherent in any form of movement and even in destruction of the munitions at their present location. He said every phase of the movement had been given a ''hard look.''

''... An injunction at this time would interrupt the defendants' carefully timed operation and require munitions to be left in temporary and less secure storage in Mmiesau or Nordenham,'' the judge said.

He said it could also force rescheduling of detailed plans for movement and security, cause the Army to risk deteriorating weather conditions, and possibly subject the West German people and the environment to the risk of a repeat of the entire process if the groups' lawsuit is unsuccessful.

The judge repeated his ruling that U.S. environmental law cannot be applied to the movement of the weapons in West Germany, especially since the transfer has already been upheld in German courts.

The Army plans to move about 100,000 rounds of nerve gas - 8-inch and 155-millimeter projectiles containing the nerve agents GB and VX - to Johnston from Germany, where they have been stored since 1968. Officials said the weapons constitute less than 6 percent of the nation's retaliatory stockpile.

The bulk of the U.S. stockpile of chemical weapons is stored at eight sites on the mainland, and the Army has proposed building similar incineration plants at each site to destroy them.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDINGS

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	77	60	.562	-
Toronto	72	66	.521	5 1/2
Detroit	66	73	.475	12
Milwaukee	65	72	.474	12
Baltimore	61	75	.449	15 1/2
Cleveland	61	77	.442	16 1/2
New York	57	80	.416	20

West				
Oakland	87	50	.635	-
Chicago	79	57	.581	7 1/2
Texas	71	67	.514	16 1/2
California	69	69	.500	18 1/2
Seattle	68	70	.493	19 1/2
Kansas City	66	72	.478	21 1/2
Minnesota	64	75	.460	24

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 8) UPI - The family of Brian Watkins, the Utah tourist slain while defending his parents from muggers, said they were ''pleased'' with the indictment of eight youths charged in the case.

District Attorney Robert Morgenthau announced the indictments Friday at a news conference, adding that one of the most powerful pieces of evidence against the suspects will likely be videotaped confessions made by seven of them.

Morgenthau also said he telephoned Watkins' father in Provo, Utah, with news of the indictment.

''He said he was pleased. I assured him of a vigorous prosecution as quickly as possible,'' Morgenthau said. ''I expressed my condolences to him and told him there was nothing we could do to bring back his ''d to

The body of 22-year-old Brian Watkins was expected to be buried in Provo on Saturday. He was killed in a midtown Manhattan subway station last Sunday night.

Meanwhile, Criminal Court Judge Robert Straus ordered the youths to appear before state Supreme Court Justice Carol Berkman on Sept. 24, at which time bail may be set. Until then, Strauss said, they will be held without bail.

In a courtroom packed with teenage supporters and relatives of the young men, Assistant Manhattan District Attorney Tom Schiels told Straus that a state grand jury had indicted each of the youths.

''A grand jury has returned an indictment charging each of these defendants with murder in the second degree, robbery in the first degree and robbery in the second degree,'' the prosecutor announced to a chorus of groans from the supporters.

If convicted of the most serious charge - murdering someone during the commission of a felony, in this case, robbery - they face 25 years to life

behind bars.

Because there were so many youths and defense lawyers, they were called in two batches to hear the indictment.

Each time the teens, dressed in T-shirts and jeans and their hair tossled, stood silently in a row facing the judge and then silently filed back to their holding cells after the 2-minute proceeding.

Their sobbing girlfriends rushed from the courtroom surrounded by their male friends, who swore at photographers snapping pictures and threatened them with physical violence.

Those charged in the case are Yull Morales, 19 - who allegedly stabbed Watkins; Anthony Anderson; Emilo Fernandez, 17; Louis Fernando Montiero, 20; Jonnie Hincapie, 18; Pascal Carpenter, 18; Ricardo Nova, 18, and Ricardo Lopez, 18.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Baseball

Cincinnati - Sent catcher Terry McGriff and minor league pitchers Keith Kaiser and Butch Henry to the Houston Astros to complete Aug. 31 trade for infielder Bill Doran; claimed catcher Alex Trevino on waivers.

Milwaukee - Acquired pitchers Julio Machado and Kevin Brown from New York Mets as part of Aug. 31 trade for catcher Charlie O'Brien.

New York (NL) - Recalled outfielder Keith Hughes from Tidewater of the International League (AAA).

Pittsburgh - Claimed outfielder Lloyd McClendon off waivers.

Basketball

Cleveland - Extended guard Mark Price's contract through the 1995- 96 season; renegotiated contracts of center Brad Daugherty and forward Larry Nance; signed center Milos Babic.

Denver - Named Paul Westhead coach.

Miami - Signed free agent swingman Keith Askins.

College

Maryland - Named Andy Geiger athletic director.

Point Park - Named Earl Burnham athletic director and Jeff Minick baseball coach.

SMU - Named Tim Siegel women's tennis coach.

Texas-Pan American - Announced basketball forward Fred Young will forego final year of eligibility.

Football

Denver - Signed defensive end Ron Holmes to a series of one-year contracts.

LA Rams - Activated linebacker Kevin Greene, defensive tackle Doug Reed and safety Michael Stewart; placed wide receiver Tony Lomack and running back Jim Price on injured reserve.

Miami - Cut linebacker Clifford Charlton; placed cornerback Paul Lankford on injured reserve.

World League of American Football - Named Andrew Brandtin house counsel and special assistant to the president.

Hockey

Detroit - Signed center Keith Primeau to a five-year contract.

NY Islanders - Signed right wing Alan Kerr.

Horse Racing

New York State Racing Commission - Named Harry Snyder chairman.

Soccer

Dallas - Signed defender Doc Lawson.

St. Louis - Signed midfielder Terry Brown.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - For the second straight night, the Los Angeles Dodgers picked up a game on the first-place Cincinnati Reds with a rookie right-hander who joined the team in midseason leading the way.

One day after Mike Hartley threw a three-hit shutout against Atlanta, Jim Neidlinger tossed a four-hitter over eight innings Friday night as the Dodgers crept to within 5 1-2 games of the NL West lead with a 3-1 victory over Cincinnati.

''Those were two outstanding performances,'' Los Angeles Manager Tommy Lasorda said. ''Talk about coming at the right time when we needed them. They couldn't have been more meaningful.''

Neidlinger, 4-1, also had a two-out RBI single as Los Angeles survived some shoddy play to take the opener of the three-game series. The clubs are scheduled to meet five more times in the next nine days.

Cincinnati has dropped four of its last five games.

''I don't want to talk about the pennant race; I'll talk to you about the ballgame,'' Manager Lou Piniella said. ''We just didn't hit the ball.''

Neidlinger, making only his eighth big-league start, did not walk a batter or permit a runner past second base until the ninth, when he left for Jay Howell after shortstop Alfredo Griffin committed his second error of the game to put runners on the corners.

Neidlinger, who used a sinking fastball to register 17 infield outs, received a standing ovation from the crowd of 47,720 as he walked off the field.

''That was unbelievable,'' he said. ''I looked up at all the people standing, and there was an automatic rush of adrenalin through my body.''

In 53 innings, Neidlinger has walked just 11 while striking out 34. Howell got three outs for his 14th save of the season.

Jose Rijo, 11-7, surrendered just three singles over seven innings but walked six, five in the first three innings. Two of the three runs he permitted were unearned.

In other National League games, St. Louis edged Chicago 4-3, Montreal defeated Pittsburgh 4-1, Philadelphia dropped New York 4-1, Atlanta sank San Diego 4-1 and Houston downed San Francisco 2-1.

In the AL, it was: Oakland 7, New York 1; Baltimore 6, California 2; Boston 5, Seattle 4 in 11 innings; Toronto 3, Chicago 1; Minnesota 2, Cleveland 0; Milwaukee 6, Detroit 5 and Texas 9, Kansas City 4.

Cardinals 4, Cubs 3

At Chicago, Tom Pagnozzi delivered an RBI single and tie-breaking

sacrifice fly and Bob Tewksbury hurled seven strong innings to help rally St. Louis. Tewksbury improved to 10-5 and Lee Smith came on in the ninth to earn his 25th save. Greg Maddux fell to 12-13.

Phillies 4, Mets 1

At Philadelphia, Dale Murphy twice singled home Lenny Dykstra and rookie Jose DeJesus hurled a four-hitter, sending New York to their fifth-straight loss. DeJesus, 5-6, struck out three and walked three while gaining his third complete game of the season. David Cone, 8-11, suffered the loss despite tying his career high with 12 strikeouts over 6 1-3 innings.

Expos 4, Pirates 1

At Pittsburgh, Dennis ''Oil Can'' Boyd tossed a three-hitter over 6 2-3 innings and Montreal scored two unearned runs on a throwing error end the first-place Pirates' six-game winning streak. Boyd, 9-5, walked four and struck out six and Tim Burke notched his 17th save. John Smiley, 8-8, allowed three runs and six hits over 5 2-3 innings.

Braves 4, Padres 1

At San Diego, Charlie Leibrandt pitched a four-hitter for his 100th career victory and Andres Thomas stroked a two-run double. Leibrandt, 8- 8, has now won his last three starts without yielding an earned run. He walked two and struck out five to raise his career record to 100-87. Ed Whitson, 12-8, had a personal five-game winning streak snapped.

Astros 2, Giants 1

At San Francisco, Ken Caminiti's based-loaded walk with none out in the ninth snapped a scoreless tie, forcing home Gerald Young with the go-ahead run. Danny Darwin lowered his league-leading ERA to 2.01 and improved to 11-2. Dave Smith notched his 23rd save and the Giant's John Burkett fell to 11-7.

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EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, CA (SEPT. 8) UPI - Floodlights bathed a ridge above a dry lake bed early Saturday to aid emergency workers searching for the body of a worker killed in the fiery eruption of an experimental Titan 4 booster motor.

The motor component, filled with 255,000 pounds of solid rocket fuel, dropped from a crane and burst into flames Friday morning, injuring at least nine people, including one worker who suffered chemical burns.

The Titan Advanced Solid Rocket motor was being transferred from an unspecified location to a position near a test tower at the base's Astronautics Laboratory when it fell about 10 feet and erupted into a geyser of flames.

Lt. Col. Jan Dalby, an Air Force spokesman at the base, said one person was missing. That person, a civilian employed by a defense contractor, was presumed dead, said a high-ranking official who requested anonymity.

The missing worker was believed to be buried beneath a pile of rubble left by the fire.

''The crane split and hit some concrete blocks,'' said Sgt. Cordelia Rackley, an Air Force spokeswoman who visited the fire scene a few hours after the accident. ''We think the person (listed as missing) might be under those blocks.''

One of the most seriously injured workers, who suffered third- degree chemical burns, was moved Friday night from the base hospital to nearby Antelope Valley Medical Center.

The 100-foot-high flame from the booster motor was whitish yellow with the steady intensity of a welder's torch. Dalby said the fire mangled the crane and quickly consumed all of the fuel in the booster motor, an experimental unit developed by Hercules Aerospace Co. of Magna, Utah.

''Once it's going, it's gone. You can't stop a fire like that,'' Dalby said.

He said the fire, which ignited about 10:45 a.m. PDT, sent a huge ''tornado-like'' cloud of smoke some 10,000 feet into the air above Rogers Dry Lake, a landing strip for space shuttles.

The smoke plume - black at the base near flame and billowing to a large white puff - drifted northward toward the community of Boron and was visible for 30 miles across the Mojave Desert.

Air Force officials evacuated test areas near the fire as a precaution, while aircraft flew into the smoke cloud to determine if it posed a health risk to Boron's 2,500 residents.

The smoke contained trace amounts of hydrogen chloride, but the slight amount of the chemical and its quick dissipation posed no threat to base employees or nearby residents, Dalby said.

Boron school officials, however, acted cautiously, keeping students inside until the air cleared.

In addition to the burn victim, six others - including a firefighter - were treated for smoke inhalation, one person suffered a broken elbow and another a cut on the hand.

The Titan booster motor was destroyed and the test tower was burned, but there was no immediate damage estimate and no word on the accident's effect on the Titan program.

Air Force officials immediately launched an investigation into the cause of the fire.

Kim Olds, who moved only a week ago to the community of North Edwards when her husband was transferred from March Air Force Base in Riverside, said she noticed the fire when she stepped outside to get the mail.

''All I saw was the pretty little mushroom (cloud) and all the military cars flying down the freeway'' toward the missile site, she said.

Edwards is located in a sparsely populated area of the Mojave Desert, about 100 miles northeast of Los Angeles.

The Titan 4 is the nation's largest unmanned launch vehicle, ordered by the Air Force after the Challenger disaster grounded NASA's shuttle fleet.

It consists of a two-stage liquid-fueled vehicle and two solid propellant boosters attached to the sides of the rocket.

The Titan 4 made its maiden flight in June 1989 and its second launch June 8, 1990. Each $200 million mission, launched from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station near Florida's Kennedy Space Center, carried classified military payloads.

Each Titan booster, which is 112 feet tall and designed to fire for about two minutes, has seven segments. The Air Force is developing an advanced booster for the rocket and it was a test version that was destroyed in the accident.

The Edwards' complex is responsible for developing technology for future missile systems, taking advantage of a remote location and topography to conduct solid rocket motor, liquid rocket engine and advanced propulsion experiments.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - Tony Pena's head-first slide into home not only won the game but ended a slide of another kind.

Pena's game-winning run in the 11th inning Friday night halted the Boston Red Sox' three-game losing streak and gave them a 5-4 victory over the Seattle Mariners.

In the process, the AL East-leading Red Sox maintained their 5 1-2 game lead over second-place Toronto, who took a 3-1 decision from the Chicago White Sox.

Pena opened the 11th with a single off reliever and loser Mike Jackson, 5-7, and was sacrificed to second by Randy Kutcher. After Jody Reed was intentionally walked, Carlos Quintana grounded a 2-1 pitch past third baseman Edgar Martinez into left. Henry Cotto's one-hop throw to catcher David Valle just missed the sliding Pena.

''It was a slider inside,'' said Quintana, whose sacrifice fly tied the game in the ninth. ''When it was 2-0 he threw me a fastball down the middle. I said to myself, 'Wait, for the slider.'''

''(Martinez) has to knock that ball down,'' Seattle Manager Jim Lefebvre said. ''That's what killed us tonight, not making the little plays. He has to at least knock that ball down.''

Quintana drove in Kutcher in the ninth to tie the game 4-4 despite some confusion earlier in the inning. Kutcher entered as a pinch runner for Phil Plantier, who drew a one-out walk from Jackson. Reed then delivered a hit-and-run single, allowing Kutcher to race to third although he wasn't sure of the play.

''I thought it was a hit-and-run, but they wiped it off,'' explained Kutcher. ''I took my eyes off (the third-base coach) too quick.''

Seattle blew several opportunities, scattering 15 hits and stranding 10 runners, including a four-hit fifth inning which failed to produce a run.

''We just left too many men on base early,'' said Seattle infielder Harold Reynolds. ''Or this would have been over early.''

Boston reliever Jeff Gray worked the 11th and picked up the victory to improve to 2-3.

Elsewhere in the American League, Oakland pummeled New York 7-1, Baltimore pounded California 6-2, Toronto downed Chicago 3-1, Minnesota blanked Cleveland 2-0, Milwaukee edged Detroit 6-5 and Texas dumped Kansas City 9-4.

In the NL, it was: St. Louis 4, Chicago 3; Philadelphia 4, New York 1; Montreal 4, Pittsburgh 1; Atlanta 4, San Diego 1; Los Angeles 3,

Cincinnati 1 and Houston 2, San Francisco 1.

A's 7, Yankees 1

At New York, Mark McGwire drove in two runs, one with his 35th homer, to power Oakland. McGwire tied the score with a fifth-inning homer, then delivered a run-scoring grounder in a five-run sixth against Andy Hawkins, 5-12. Curt Young, 8-5, went five innings for the win. Todd Burns pitched four innings for his third save.

Orioles 6, Angels 2

At Baltimore, Sam Horn belted a three-run homer to highlight a four-run seventh inning and rookie Ben McDonald pitched eight strong innings to help the Orioles snap a six-game losing streak. Horn's 11th homer off reliever Mike Fetters climaxed a four-run seventh inning that helped McDonald, 6-4, halt a personal four-game losing streak. Rookie Joe Grahe, 1-3, took the loss.

Blue Jays 3, White Sox 1

At Toronto, Mookie Wilson's two-run double in the seventh inning snapped a 1-1 tie and Todd Stottlemyre scattered four hits over eight innings to lead Toronto. Stottlemyre, 13-14, who allowed one run while striking out six, outdueled Melido Perez, 12-13. Tom Henke recorded his 27th save.

Twins 2, Indians 0

At Minneapolis, Allan Anderson scattered five hits over 8 1-3 innings and Kent Hrbek drove home a run and extended his consecutive- game hitting streak to 17. Anderson, 7-17, who has won two of his last three starts, allowed just one walk while striking out two. Rick Aguilera struck out the only two batters he faced to recorded his 28th save. Bud Black fell to 10-10.

Brewers 6, Tigers 5

At Milwaukee, Robin Yount belted a three-run homer to highlight a four-run first inning and Teddy Higuera notched his third straight victory. Cecil Fielder belted his major league-leading 45th homer in the sixth for the Tigers, who lost for the third straight game. Teddy Higuera, 10-6, gave up seven hits in 6 2-3 innings for the victory. Jack Morris, 11-17, took the loss.

Rangers 9, Royals 4

At Arlington, Texas, Pete Incaviglia collected five RBI and stroked two homers and Juan Gonzalez went 4 for 5 with a homer to power Texas.

Incaviglia became the first player in Rangers' history to hit 20 homers in five consecutive seasons. Texas starter Charlie Hough, 11-10, pitched eight innings, surrendering four runs and eight hits. Loser Tom Gordon worked 4 2-3 and evened his record at 10-10, allowing seven runs and 10 hits.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

Batting

(Minimum 335 at-bats)

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	421	101	137	.325
Palmeiro, Tex	504	64	162	.321
Brett, Kan	475	74	152	.320
Trammell, Det	508	67	160	.315
Harper, Min	424	58	132	.311
McGriff, Tor	463	82	144	.311
Parker, Mil	520	64	161	.310
Burks, Bos	486	78	150	.309
Boggs, Bos	532	79	164	.308
Griffey, Jr., Sea	533	80	163	.306

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	510	97	175	.343
McGee, Stl	501	76	168	.335
Magadan, Nym	368	60	121	.329
Murray, Los	472	80	150	.318
Grace, Chi	500	56	155	.310
LSmith, Atl	384	56	118	.307
Dawson, Chi	446	56	137	.307
Gwynn, Sdg	545	72	167	.306
Wallach, Mon	524	58	160	.305
Bonds, Pit	444	90	135	.304

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 45; Canseco, Oak 36; McGwire, Oak 35; McGriff, Tor 32 and Deer, Mil 26.

National League - Mitchell, SF and Sandberg, Chi 32; Strawberry, NY and Bonilla, Pit 31; Williams, SF and Gant, Atl 27.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 116; McGwire, Oak 96; Canseco, Oak 90; Gruber, Tor 88 and Sierra, Tex 86.

National League - Williams, SF 105; Carter, SD 103; Bonds, Pit and Bonilla, Pit 101; Strawberry, NY 91.

Doubles
American League - Jo.Reed, Bos and Brett, KC 42; Harper, Min 39; Boggs, Bos 38 and Calderon, Chi 37.
National League - Jefferies, NY 37; Dykstra, Phi 35; Bonilla, Pit 34; Sabo, Cin, Wallach, Mtl and Johnson, NY 33.

Triples
American League - Fernandez, Tor 16; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos 8; Johnson, Chi, Pettis, Tex and Eisenreich, KC 7.
National League - Duncan, Cin 11; Coleman, StL 9; Smith, Atl 8; Thompson, StL, Dunston, Chi, Butler, SF and Gwynn, SD 7.

Stolen Bases
American League - R.Henderson, Oak 56; Sax, NY 36; Kelly, NY 34; Pettis, Tex 32 and Calderon, Chi 30.
National League - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 52; Bonds, Pit 44; Nixon, Mtl 43 and Raines, Mtl 41.

Runs Scored
American League - R.Henderson, Oak 101; Fielder, Det 91; Yount, Mil 84; McGriff, Tor and Phillips, Det 82.
National League - Bonilla, Pit 104; Sandberg, Chi 98; Dykstra, Phi 97; Gant, Atl 92 and Bonds, Pit 90.

Hits
American League - Boggs, Bos 164; Griffey, Jr, Sea 163; Palmeiro, Tex 162; Parker, Mil 161 and Trammell, Det 160.
National League - Dykstra, Phi 175; McGee, StL 168; Gwynn, SD 167; Larkin Cin 161 and Wallach, Mtl and Sandberg, Chi 160.

Victories
American League - Welch, Oak 23; Clemens, Bos 20; Stewart, Oak 18; Finley Cal and Stieb, Tor 17.
National League - Drabek, Pit 18; Viola, NY 17; Martinez, LA 16; Gooden, NY 15 and Smoltz, Atl 13.

Earned Run Average
(Minimum 115 innings pitched)
American League - Clemens, Bos 1.98; Finley, Cal 2.43; Stewart, Oak 2.79; McCaskill, Cal 2.85 and Appier, KC 2.86.
National League - Darwin, Hou 2.08; Whitson, SD 2.37; Tudor, StL 2.50; Viola, NY 2.62 and Drabek, Pit 2.69.

Strikeouts
American League - Clemens, Bos 204; Witt, Ryan, Tex 189; Hanson, Sea 175

and Langston, Cal 168.
National League - Cone, NY 193; Martinez, LA 192; Gooden, NY 179; Smoltz, Atl 153 and DeLeon, StL 152.

Saves
American League - Thigpen, Chi 48; Eckersley, Oak 41; Jones, Cle 34; Schooler, Sea and Righetti, NY 30.
National League - Franco, NY 31; Myers, Cin 27; Smith, StL 25; Lefferts, SD and Smith, Hou 23.

Complete Games
American League - Stewart, Oak and Morris, Det 8; Clemens, Bos 7; Gordon, KC, Brown, Tex, Leary, NY and Young, Sea 6.
National League - Martinez, LA 8; Maddux, Chi, Drabek, Pit, Martinez, Mtl and Viola, NY 7.

Shutouts
American League - Clemens, Bos 4; Appier, KC and Stewart, Oak 3; 11 players tied with 2.
National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner, Boyd, Mtl, Viola, NY 3 and Whitson, SD 3.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

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President Bush took off last night for Finland and his third summit meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. The get-together was arranged in a hurry because of the Persian Gulf crisis. U-S officials say Bush will ask Gorbachev to remove Soviet advisers from Iraq. Bush says he has NO plans to ask for Soviet troops in the Persian Gulf.

Three people were killed by typhoon Dot when it hit Taiwan today with winds of 85 miles an hour. A 65-year-old man was swept off a roof, and the two other victims drowned. Officials say the typhoon weakened into a severe tropical storm and headed toward mainland China. Earlier, Dot killed four people in the Philippines.

The former chief of Mexico's security police and his assistant have been sentenced to 30 years in prison for the murder of an agent. A government spokesman said Jose Antonio Zorrilla was sentenced yesterday. He said the agent apparently was killed because he had knowledge of Zorrilla's business dealings.

A man who said marijuana is a ''way of life'' has been sentenced to more than 24 years in prison for masterminding the smuggling of 60 tons of marijuana from Southeast Asia to the West Coast. William Uhler was sentenced in federal court in Los Angeles. The smuggling operation is called the biggest ever known of its type.

An armed man fired several shots yesterday from the top of a 15- story building in Pittsburgh, and then shot himself and fell to the street dead. NObody else was hit during the five-hour sniping ordeal. A detective said the sniper, Paul Fisher, ''was a loner all his life.''

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HELSINKI, FINLAND (SEPT. 8) UPI - President Bush arrived in Helsinki Saturday for a superpower summit to urge Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to turn up the pressure on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

''Here in Helsinki, President Gorbachev and I meet hopefully to strengthen our common approach to this unjustifiable act of aggression,'' Bush said in an arrival statement. ''Much is at stake and there is much to gain if we succeed.''

''If the nations of the world, acting together, continue as they have been to isolate Iraq and deny Saddam the fruits of aggression, we will set in place the cornerstone of an international order more peaceful, stable and secure than any that we have known,'' Bush said.

The president said the summit meeting ''comes at a critical time, at a moment when the actions we take can shape this new world for years to come.''

Senior U.S. officials said Bush intends to ask Gorbachev to withdraw all Soviet military advisers from Iraq, and will try to persuade Moscow to play a more direct role in the multinational effort against the Baghdad leader.

Bush arrived about 4:10 a.m. EDT under cloudy skies aboard Air Force One and was met at Helsinki's international Vantaa airport by Finnish President Mauno Koivisto.

Gorbachev was scheduled to arrive later in the day.

''We have reached a turning point in history, one in which we have a chance to define a new and more peaceful international order,'' Bush said Friday in a written statement to reporters who accompanyed him on the trip to the Finnish capital.

''Our discussions in Helsinki will, I hope, help propel us forward toward that goal,'' the president said.

The scheduled five hours of talks with Gorbachev in Helsinki on Sunday will mark the third superpower summit in the last 10 months.

But Bush told reporters aboard Air Force One that he had ''no plans'' to ask Gorbachev during their meeting to commit ground forces to Saudi Arabia to complement a multinational deployment spearheaded by 100,000 U.S. troops.

The Soviet Union has joined the United States and much of the world in denouncing Iraq's Aug. 2 takeover of Kuwait and in backing a U.N.-mandated economic embargo against the Middle East nation.

The Persian Gulf crisis represents the first time since World War II that the two superpowers have been allies in a regional conflict and Bush wants to build on the the renewed union.

The Bush administration has said that it will not use the possibility of more U.S. aid to Moscow as incentive for more Soviet pressure on Iraq.

Yet just hours before leaving, Bush announced that a U.S. trade delegation headed by Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher will visit the Soviet Union next week, and that members of the delegation will meet with him in Helsinki after the Summit.

As Soviet and American officials describe the summit, it will be relatively informal, in the pattern of the meeting at Malta in December 1989 or the informal talks at the Camp David presidential retreat that followed their formal sessions in Washington last spring.

Officials said the issue of the Soviet military advisers remaining in Iraq will be a key topic in Helsinki. Moscow has said it has 193 uniformed military advisers left in Iraq, as well as about 6,000 civilians and dependents. These advisers have trained Iraqi troops in the use of Soviet weaponry sold prior to the U.N. embargo.

It is viewed by the United States that it would be useful, but not essential, for the Soviets to send ground forces to join the 27 nations that have sent, or intend to send, forces to the Persian Gulf region. More than 100,000 U.S. troops are in Saudi Arabia and 50 U.S. warships are operating in the region to protect strategically important oil supplies.

But the Soviet Union, still haunted by a Vietnam-like memory of its 10-year involvement in Afghanistan, has been reluctant to send soldiers.

A top Soviet official said there was a chance Moscow would send ''one or

two ships,'' but added that he ''can't imagine'' Gorbachev would agree to a deployment of ground forces with public sentiment against it.

Another Soviet official said domestic problems in the Soviet Union is ''so grave'' that a dramatic foreign policy move could trigger disturbances inside the Soviet Union and hurt Gorbachev's popularity.

But a senior American official said that a photograph of the two leaders together after agreeing on further cooperative action to force a withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait ''would be a very helpful signal'' to send to Saddam.

Bush raised another issue regarding ground forces in Saudi Arabia, saying he would like to visit U.S. troops there, but had no timetable for such a visit. ''Not now,'' Bush told reporters. ''Eventually, I want very much to do it. I may wait for a while until all our forces are there and things calm down and (the troops) get settled in.''

The U.S. official said the Soviets have been helpful in the international effort in ''the first post-Cold War crisis,'' and the two leaders also will discuss how to make further use of a United Nations that has been revitalized with the waning of superpower acrimony.

For their part, the Soviets were expected to point out that they have suffered severe economic harm, including the loss of Iraqi oil, and the virtual cancellation $5 billion Baghdad owes Mosocw for military sales.

At the same time, the Soviet economy is on the verge of collapse, with everything from cigarettes to bread and vodka reported in short supply.

Diplomatic officials said Gorbachev is expected to request some short-term economic help from Bush, although the seven leading industrial nations agreed at their July summit in Houston to withhold direct financial support until there has been a basic reform of the Soviet economic system.

One official said the Soviets are expected to ask for American help in upgrading the pipelines and oil-field equipment.

The Soviets have informed some of the foreign customers for Soviet gas and oil that contracts cannot be honored because Soviet pipelines are so leaky and decrepit that a safe flow of oil and gas is not possible. Bush said he would encourage the use of U.S. oil expertise in the Persian Gulf.

U.S. officials said that arms control issues will not be a major consideration at the Helsinki meeting.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - A cool front settled into the Northeast early Saturday, clearing skies and dropping temperatures and humidity levels throughout the region, following a record heat wave in the South.

Temperatures later in the day were expected to reach into the low to mid-70s, under sunny and pleasant conditions. But the cold front was expected to be just that for at least some spots in western New York and the Berkshires in Massachusetts, where temperatures were to drop to a chilly low of 45 Saturday night.

Clouds also were expected to move into the region from western Pennsylvania by Saturday night.

Record hot temperatures in the 90s and low 100s sizzled parts of the South Friday, including Asheville, N.C.; Columbus, Ga.; Greenville, S.C.; Huntsville Ala.; Meridian, Miss.; Tallahassee, Fla.; and Tupelo, Miss. Beckley, W.Va., posted 85 degrees, also a record.

In the West, a thunderstorm ignited more than a dozen fires in Idaho's Boise National Forest Friday and set off several others west of Boise. The largest of several fires was the Schafer Creek fire, a 35- acre blaze burning brush and scattered trees on steep slopes, but no structures were threatened.

Cooler weather headed for the Puget Sound area of Washington. Strong gusty winds along with a band of showers and scattered thundershowers hit some areas Friday and moved to the east but little rain fell.

An upper low off the California coast which fathered the unstable weather in Washington remained stationary and was expected to keep skies cloudy into the weekend.

It hit 101 in Las Vegas, 3 degrees above normal, with the high expected to reach to 105 during the weekend under sunny skies.

Thunderstorms roared over south-central Kansas Friday, producing 90 mph winds in Wichita. No injuries were reported.

Violent thunderstorms that killed at least three in the Midwest Thursday spread throughout much of the East Friday, submerging Pennsylvania streets and forcing the National Guard to rescue circus animals trapped by waist-high floodwater.

Storms hit New York state and New England Friday and up to 6 inches of rain that deluged western Pennsylvania drove creeks beyond their banks and poured 10 feet of water through Houston, 20 miles south of Pittsburgh.

Water in an electrical box was blamed for a fire that raged through a downtown print shop for several hours and threatened nearby businesses.

''It's terrible,'' Houston borough secretary Maxine Burt said. ''There was so many sirens here (for the flooding) that I didn't hear the one for the fire. ... It's a mess.''

As much as 4 feet of water swamped the nearby American Legion grounds where the five-ring Carson & Barnes had sent up its tents and trailers.

''I woke up with an elephant bellowing in my window,'' said Ted Spara, who lives next door to the American Legion property. He found seven horses seeking shelter in his yard.

''The circus people (were) down there up to their waist in water trying to get their animals out ... but they're all flooded out,'' Spara said. The National Guard brought in boats to lead the animals to safety.

The Pennsylvania storms, which caved in the roof of a Sears store near Pittsburgh, were formed by the same east-moving cold front responsible for storms that slammed into Michigan, Ohio and Indiana late Thursday and early Friday. Utilities reported thousands of people were without power in the region.

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BEIJING (SEPT. 8) UPI - Economists at a leading government think tank have called for swift, substantial reform of China's centralized price system, criticizing the practice of keeping prices low through state subsidies, news reports said Saturday.

A senior economist also blamed Beijing's controversial retrenchment program for causing massive layoffs in what appeared to be growing opposition to austerity measures imposed in late 1988.

Experts at the State Council Research Center have proposed immediate rises in coal prices and suggested a reduction in government loans to ailing enterprises, the official China Daily reported.

The State Council Research Center advises the government on economic and other policy issues. Price reform - increasing prices long kept artificially low by budget-draining state subsidies - is perhaps the most explosive issue facing Chinese economic planners.

The economists, identified as Qiao Gong and Li Youpeng, called for a 12- to 14-percent price hike rate, double the 7 percent announced earlier in the week as a target for next year by Zou Jiahua, a senior government

economic official.

In a report on China's social and economic blueprint for 1990, Zou parroted the standard line that the country's troubled economy is recovering and said inflation would be held at 7 percent.

But the Research Center economists said the country's price system required ''major surgery'' and blamed lavish subsidies for exacerbating the sluggish economy, along with the practice of propping up money- losing state-owned industries.

''It is regrettable ... that none of the unprofitable enterprises has been closed down, even as the industry's overall level of efficiency continued to decrease,'' the economists said.

Tight credit and a cash crunch have forced factories nationwide to stop or slow production, leaving millions of workers idle. The workers have had their salaries cut but cannot be fired under the current state employment system.

Qiao and Li proposed that China develop a social welfare system for surplus workers instead of relying on massive subsidies to keep them on unproductive jobs.

Their criticism of the system was echoed by prominent economist and government official Li Yining.

Li called for greater investment in science and technology to improve economic efficiency, warning that ''production stoppages will intensify the problem of unemployment,'' according to a report in the semi-official China News Service.

The unemployment rate is officially given at around 4 percent but does not include millions of workers sent home on reduced pay.

The increasingly bold calls for economic reform in the state-run press appear to be related to what government officials privately characterize as growing impatience with the slow pace of reform.

Even senior members of China's hard-line leadership are now aware that ''central planning doesn't work,'' said an official who requested anonymity.

''They know we need price reform but they are afraid to do anything about it,'' the official said, adding that the forthcoming 7th Communist Party Central Committee plenum, to be held after the Asian Games conclude in October, will focus on economic reform.

The official said recent calls for substantial reform are ''not just lip service'' but that would-be reformers are inhibited by elderly leaders who favor a planned economy, such as veteran revolutionary Chen Yun.

''We are just waiting for people to die before real reforms can be implemented,'' the official said.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 8) UPI - The Philippines will press for the removal of a clause allowing the United States "unhampered use" of its strategic military facilities in upcoming talks on the renewal of U.S. basing rights, an official said Saturday.

Health Secretary Alran Bengzon, a member of the Philippine panel in the bases talks, also said Manila was preparing to discuss the role the bases will play in the current Persian Gulf crisis if U.S. negotiators raised the issue.

The second round of talks on the 1947 pact covering six facilities, including the giant Clark Air Base and Subic Bay Naval complex, is scheduled Sept. 17-21. Special negotiator Richard Armitage will lead the U.S. panel. The bases treaty is due to expire in Sept. 1991.

''First of all, that's why we want to discuss the current agreement because there is a clause which says unhampered military use,'' said Bengzon in a radio interview when asked if the government will allow Washington to use the bases to support combat operations in the gulf.

''In my opinion that phrase is not good and we need to change that because we are the only country hosting military facilities where there is a clause like that,'' said Bengzon, a key adviser of President Corazon Aquino.

Although the bases pact allows the unhampered use by the United States of its facilities, both Philippine and U.S. officials have said any use of the installations as a staging area for combat operations required consultation.

Philippine officials, worried about the fate of some 50,000 Filipinos in Iraq and 5,000 in Kuwait, have repeatedly stressed the need to consult following Iraq's invasion of the tiny Arab emirate. U.S. officials have said they will comply.

A bill seeking to ban nuclear weapons in the country has long been pending in the Philippine Congress. U.S. officials have refused as a matter of policy to confirm or deny the presence of nuclear armaments in the

faciliteis but have said if the measure is passed, it would be difficult for Washington to keep the bases.

''They have to notify us to get permission. Up to now we have not yet gotten any word so we are assuming that these facilities are not actively involved or used for the Middle East operations,'' Bengzon said.

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ALEXANDRIA, Egypt (SEPT. 8) UPI - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak met with Secretary of State James Baker Saturday and said afterward the Soviet Union and the United States must agree on an approach to solving the Persian Gulf crisis or face a "hell of a problem."

Baker and Mubarak met privately for an hour at the Ras El-Tin Palace in the Mediterranean city of Alexandria and then held an breakfast meeting with close advisors.

In addition to the gulf crisis, the two men discussed the Middle East peace process and bilateral relations, as well as economic reforms.

Baker praised Mubarak, who has been supportive of U.S.-led efforts to counter Iraqi aggression, for the outstanding and courageous leadership he has demonstrated throughout the crisis.

He said he believed the U.S. Congress would approve a plan to cancel Egypt's $7.1 billion military debt to the United States.

Baker also said at a news conference with Mubarak that the gulf crisis, touched off Aug. 2 when Iraq invaded Kuwait, should not be linked with the overall Middle East peace process, but Mubarak later said he believed the Palestinian question was ''the crux of the problem in the whole area.''

The secretary of state was on a swing through the Middle East before heading to Helsinki, where U.S. President George Bush and Soviet Leader Mikhail Gorbachev is to meet Sunday to discuss the gulf crisis.

''I hope Gorbachev and Bush have one line for dealing with this problem,'' Mubarak told reporters during the joint news conference with Baker. ''I do not like any differences because it will be a hell of a problem in this area if there are differences.''

Mubarak also said world leaders would continue their attempt to find a peaceful solution to the problem before using military force, saying war was not a solution ''unless it is a hopeless case.''

He said Egypt, which sent an estimated 4,000 troops to Saudia Arabia, was

helping the oil-rich kingdom ''as much as we can.'' But he said Egypt would send more forces ''in the near future.'' He refused to say when, or how many more troops would be involved.

Baker was asked about a plan to establish a permanent security presence in the region much like NATO in Europe. Sources in Washington said several Arab leaders, including Mubarak, were against the plan and wanted Western forces to withdraw from the region as soon as the Gulf crisis was settled.

''American forces have been in the Persian Gulf since 1947,'' Baker said at the news conference. ''So if we were to assume ... that American forces would remain in the Persian Gulf, it would not be the establishment of a presence. We don't have anything specific in mind.''

He said he and Mubarak had discussed the importance of safety in the region, ''giving some thought to what form of security arrangement can best guarantee peace and stability in the Persian Gulf after we get beyond this current crisis and after we see full implementation of the United Nations Security Council resolutions'' against Iraq.

Mubarak sidestepped questions about whether he would support a permanant security force in the Gulf.

Baker was to have met with Egyptian Foreign Minister Issmat Abdul Maguid. But the Egyptian official was slightly injured in a car accident Friday night near Cairo and could not attend the consultations.

Before flying to Egypt Friday night, Baker met with officials in the United Arab Emirates and with Kuwait and Saudi leaders in Saudi Arabia. Kuwaiti's exiled government and the Saudis pledged to provide millions of dollars in support of the U.S-led military force in the region.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - The Department of Health and Human Services says more than a quarter of a Million U-S teen-agers have used anabolic steroids to build muscles. Secretary Louis Sullivan called the findings ''disturbing.'' Serious side effects have been reported from using steroids, which are to be used only with a doctor's prescription.

A U-S appeals court in San Francisco says the government can NOT bar aliens from working while they wait for deportation hearings. The court struck down the immigration regulations, saying they would force some people who could legitimately stay in the United States to choose between ''starving on the streets or remaining in detention.''

Hungary says NO political prisoners are left in its jails. Hungarian radio

says four Hungarians who were convicted under communist rule of spying for the United States and West Germany were freed yesterday. They included a father and son. A few months ago, one convicted spy said he acted because he wanted world peace.

The Agriculture Department is investigating the deaths of 25 purebred puppies on a United Airlines flight. Two other puppies and two kittens on the same Chicago-to-San Diego flight lived. A United spokesman says the takeoff was delayed nearly two hours during intense heat.

The National Guard acted like Noah in Houston, Pennsylvania, yesterday. Floodwaters raged through the town and four feet of water swamped a lot where the Carson and Barnes circus was set up. The National Guard brought in boats to lead stranded animals to safety.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 8) UPI - Hurricane Isidore's winds decreased to 90 mph Saturday as the storm spun on a north-northwesterly course in the open Atlantic.

At 6 a.m. EDT, Isidore was centered near latitude 23.3 north, longitude 38.9 west, or about 980 miles northwest of the Cape Verde Islands.

The hurricane was moving north-northwest near 15 mph and was expected to continue that motion Saturday. Its maximum sustained winds were 90 mph, down from 100 mph Friday, and forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami said additional weakening was likely Saturday.

Hurricane-force winds extended up to 35 miles from the center and tropical storm-force winds extended up to 200 miles.

Forecasters said it was too soon to tell whether Isidore would turn north out of harm's way, or take a westerly course toward the Caribbean Islands.

Isidore is the ninth named storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30, and the fourth to reach hurricane strength.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

President Bush flew to Helsinki, Finland, Saturday to discuss a joint

approach with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to the Persian Gulf crisis, while in Amman, Jordan, a U.S. military Boeing 747 stood ready to take hundreds of Americans airlifted out of Kuwait back to the United States.

Bush said he hoped to forge a strategy with Gorbachev to raise the pressure on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait. Bush said there is ''much at stake and much to gain if we succeed.''

The two leaders planned to meet for five hours of hastily arranged talks on Sunday in the first time since World War II that the two superpowers have been on the same side in a regional conflict.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, after meeting Saturday with Secretary of State James Baker, said the Soviet Union and the United States must agree on an approach to the Persian Gulf crisis or face a ''hell of a problem.'' Baker and Mubarak discussed the Middle East peace process and bilateral relations, as well as economic reforms.

Exiled Kuwaiti diplomats strongly defended the U.S.- led military buildup in the Persian Gulf but said they want it to act quickly to restore Kuwait's ousted government. The diplomats expressed bitterness and anger Friday at some Arab states, particularly Jordan, along with the Palestine Liberation Organization, for taking a soft line toward Iraq and its occupation of Kuwait.

The United States needs cargo ships quickly to transport supplies to the Perisan Gulf and is disappointed over the small number provided by its NATO allies, a top U.S. official said. Richard Clarke, assistant U.S. secretary of state for politico-military affairs, said only Britain, Italy and Portugal have responded favorably to the U.S. request.

The House of Commons overwhelming approved the government's handling of the Persian Gulf conflict and Defense Minister Tom King announced more British troops will be deployed to the gulf region. After two days of debate, little opposition was voiced during Parliament's first extraordinary debate since Argentina invaded the Falkland Islands in 1982.

The United States will provide $12 million worth of rice, flour and vegetable oil to help feed the thousands of refugees created by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, Bush administration officials said. The foodstuffs will be shipped by the end of September from the Gulf Coast to the port of Aqaba, Jordan, or wherever necessary, an official said.

Rumors that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was ousted in a coup forced crude-oil prices down as much as $2 a barrel when traders elected to take profits on recent gains after the rumors turned out false.

Starting in Asia and Europe, markets opened lower Friday, on coup rumors that first surfaced on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, and stayed lower despite the expectations of some traders that they would resume their upward march.

World stock markets ended the week on a rebound that did not erase earlier declines, including a steep four-day losing streak in Tokyo. Wary investors stayed away from the market, increasingly feeling the rigors of five weeks of erratic trading dominated by news from the Middle East and wide swings in crude oil prices.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 8) UPI - A federal court refused to expedite an appeal by death row inmates of a judge's refusal to delay next week's scheduled execution of a man who refuses to participate in efforts to save him from death.

The 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals decision Friday means that unless Gov. James Thompson intervenes, Charles Walker, 50, will be put to death by lethal injection Wednesday morning at Stateville Prison near Joliet.

Thompson, a death penalty supporter, has said he will decide Monday if he will stop the execution. He is considering only a request for clemency by an anti-death penalty group because Walker has said he wants to die and will not participate in appeals to stop the execution.

The appeals court said it would not speed up the legal process and hear an appeal by attorneys for the 130 death row inmates in Illinois, who filed suit to stop the execution.

The lawsuit contends the state's lethal injection machine has not been used for so long - Thompson's execution would be the first in Illinois in 28 years - that it might not function properly and cause a slow and painful death. The suit also says the method of execution is unconstitutional.

U.S. District Judge James Zagel ruled last week the inmates' suit was not a class action and therefore did not cover Walker and he denied the inmates' request for an injunction against the execution.

Attorney Stuart Altschuler said the group went to the 7th Circuit in hopes of getting an expedited hearing before Walker is put to death. The court refused to speed up the legal process because Walker has filed an affadavit with the court saying he wanted no part in the lawsuit to block his execution.

''We continue to believe our appeal is well founded and we will announce

our next steps Monday,'' Alstchuler said.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE USA - SATURDAY

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Baltimore sy	89	67	....	
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Birmingham pc	99	71	....	
Bismarck pc	83	61	....	
Boston sy	81	52	.01	
Brownsville pc	91	74	....	
Buffalo sy	73	48	.16	
Burlington Vt. sy	71	39	.42	
Charleston S.C. vh	89	81	....	
Charlotte ts	96	74	....	
Chicago pc	77	65	....	
Cincinnati pc	89	69	....	
Cleveland pc	77	58	....	
Columbus Ohio pc	81	68	.58	
Dallas vh	100	79	....	
Denver sy	86	55	....	
Des Moines pc	84	63	.30	
Detroit sy	81	54	....	
Duluth pc	62	46	.01	
El Paso pc	95	69	....	
Evansville ts	100	71	.86	
Fargo pc	77	59	....	
Hartford sy	83	50	.10	
Honolulu sy	90	70	.04	
Houston pc	96	73	....	
Indianapolis cy	86	66	.12	
Jackson Miss. pc	98	70	....	
Jacksonville hz	95	73	....	
Kansas City pc	84	67	.44	
Las Vegas sy	101	77	....	
Little Rock cy	99	70	.23	
Los Angeles sy	84	68	....	
Louisville ts	99	71	....	
Memphis pc	98	73	.10	
Miami Beach pc	90	75	....	
Milwaukee pc	73	65	....	

Minneapolis pc	74	61	.21
Nashville ts	102	71	.03
New Orleans sy	93	72	....
New York sy	86	56	....
Oklahoma City pc	89	68	.01
Omaha sy	90	61	....
Orlando sy	92	73	....
Philadelphia sy	90	64	....
Phoenix sy	105	85	....
Pittsburgh pc	76	60	.15
Portland Me. sy	72	47	.58
Portland Ore. pc	69	64	.01
Providence sy	85	53	....
Richmond pc	99	70	.18
St. Louis pc	94	72	....
Salt Lake City pc	90	62	....
San Antonio pc	94	75	....
San Diego sy	84	69	....
San Francisco sy	74	58	....
San Juan pc	91	76	.12
Seattle pc	71	60	.01
Spokane pc	90	58	....
Tampa sy	95	72	....
Washington sy	93	69	....
Wichita sy	96	74	.82

c-clear	cl-clearing	cy-cloudy	f-fair
fy-foggy	hz-haze	m-missing	pc-partly cloudy
r-rain	sh-showers	sm-smoke	sn-snow
sy-sunny	ts-thunderstorms	vh-very hot	w-windy

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ARLINGTON, TX (SEPT. 8) UPI - Nolan Ryan's planned return for the 1991 season did not come as a shock to Texas Rangers General Manager Tom Grieve. It was, however, a relief.

Ryan, baseball's all-time strikeout leader, said Friday he would return next year and collect the $3.3 million the Rangers have agreed to pay him. He had dropped hints over the last month he would return and finally made it official in order to end the constant questioning about his future plans.

''But it was still nice to hear him say it,'' Grieve said. ''I would have been unbelievably shocked had he decided not to come back. I was reassured when he said he was coming back.''

Ryan was the scheduled starting pitcher in Saturday night's meeting with the Kansas City Royals and took a 13-7 record into the game.

Other than the money he will make, the two chief reasons for Ryan's return are his family and his back.

''It came down to the family wanting to come back, and physically I was feeling better,'' Ryan said.

Ryan, who will turn 44 next season, went on the disabled list this year with pain in his lower back. Doctors said he had a stress fracture in his back, but could not damage it further by pitching.

After coming off the disabled list, Ryan was still in pain. Despite the discomfort, however, he threw the sixth no-hitter of his career and two months later reached the 300-win plateau.

Over his last few starts, his back has improved dramatically.

''My back has gotten better,'' Ryan said. ''Once we decided what to do (stay for another season), I decided to get it out of the way now instead of letting it carry on.''

The Arlington Chamber of Commerce said Ryan's decision could mean as much as $14 million to the local economy - based on the hotel business generated by the sellout crowds which routinely come to see Ryan pitch.

Technically, the Rangers still must exercise their option on Ryan for next season and will wait until the end of the season to formally do so. They will wait as a protective measure in case Ryan should suffer an injury over the final month of the season that would threaten his plans to pitch in 1991.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 8) UPI - Federal budget problems are forcing the closure next month of seven historic Philadelphia buildings, including the home where Thomas Jefferson wrote drafts of the Declaration of Independence, officials said.

The buildings in Independence National Historical Park will be shut down and nearly 20 seasonal employees laid off two months early unless the park obtains additional operating funds, park Superintendent Hobart Cahood said.

''We think this is an intelligent management decision because we have very little hope of obtaining the funds necessary to operate them,'' Cahood

told the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Six of the park's 18 buildings that are open to the public were shut down last winter because of budget constraints.

Cahood said if Congress does not agree on a plan to trim the deficit and automatic budget cuts are imposed, the park may have to shut down all its buildings this winter except the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall and put its employees on a four-day week.

The federal budget has not been approved but park officials have been told to expect at least a $400,000 reduction.

Buildings to be closed include the Marine Corps Memorial Museum, the Second Bank of the United States, the Army-Navy Museum and the Graff House where Jefferson lived in 1775 and 1776 and wrote the drafts of the declaration.

Also slated for shutdown are the Bishop White House, a restored 18th century home; the Todd House, where Dolly Todd lived before she married James Madison, the fourth president; and Franklin Court, the site of Benjamin Franklin's home.

Cawood said the Edgar Allen Poe National Historic Site, where the writer once lived, and the Thaddeus Kosciuszko National Memorial, the former home of the Polish engineer who fought for the colonists during the revolution, also will be shut down on weekdays.

They are not officially part of Independence National Historical Park but are operated by the Park Service.

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COLUMBUS, GA (SEPT. 8) UPI - The State Department has tentatively identified a former Atlanta investment banker as the American shot by Iraqi soldiers this week in Kuwait City, the man's relatives said Saturday.

Ann Hoffman said State Department officials told her they believe her son, Miles Hoffman, 33, was the man shot by Iraqi soldiers breaking into his apartment in Kuwait City.

A State Department spokesman refused Saturday to confirm Mrs. Hoffman's report.

''He's been put in the hospital and they (State Department officials) are trying to get someone in to see him,'' Mrs. Hoffman said.

Relatives said Miles Hoffman, a former Atlanta investment banker working since 1987 for the Kuwaiti government as a consultant, was to have been married Aug. 17 but could not leave Kuwait because of the invasion.

He was last home in July, preparing for his marriage to Nikki Murgatroyd of Forton, England, said Hoffman's aunt, Catherine Ford of Atlanta. The two met in Kuwait but Murgatroyd was in England when the invasion began, Ford said.

Ford said none of the relatives are sure how seriously Hoffman was wounddd.

''There are so many conflicting reports and there's no definite news,'' Ford said. ''We've heard he was shot in the hand, in the forearm - we've heard he has one broken leg, two broken legs.''

Relatives hope Iraq will release Hoffman now that it has acknowledged its soldiers shot him.

''Jesse Jackson got some of the medically ill out. It seems to me like he's a casualty they'll not want to take care of,'' Ford said. ''I do think now that they shot him, they won't kill him because of the publicity.''

Mrs. Hoffman said she last heard from her son Aug. 2, the day of the invasion, when he called to say he was safe.

The investment banker left his job with Trust Company Bank in Atlanta in 1987 to work for the Kuwaiti government.

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#90251u0414 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

FORT WORTH, Texas (SEPT. 10) UPI - Continuing problems in the airline industry caused by rising fuel prices and sagging profits prompted giant American Airlines to cancel plans to issue $300 million in interest-deferred, convertible debt securities.

American officials said the debt securities - called LYONS, or liquid yield option notes - were to be tied to the stock price of its parent company, AMR Corp. But the decline in the stock's value made the debt issue a less attractive vehicle for raising part of the $21 billion the Fort Worth carrier plans to spend by 1995 on aircraft and equipment.

American spokesman John Hotard said Friday the airline has shelved its plan to issue the debt securities and is not considering issuing them any time soon because of the lowered stock price.

The carrier said Friday AMR stock has declined by almost 30 percent since

the debt issue was announced July 19.

AMR's stock closed at $61.625 a share the day before the debt issue was announced. That same day - July 18 - a barrel of West Texas Intermediate crude was $18.55 on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Friday, the price of a barrel of West Texas Intermediate was $30.04.

Airlines are among the biggest users of oil, as jet fuel, and have seen their stock prices plummet because of the sharp increase in oil prices since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

AMR's stock closed Friday at $44.50 a share, a drop of about 27 percent since July 18.

In late July, jet fuel was selling at 57 cents to 60 centa a gallon. This week, U.S. airlines paid an average of 89 cents on the spot market, according to Aviation Daily, a trade publication.

Analysts now expect industry profits to be slim in the third quarter, which normally is the best quarter of the year, and flat in the fourth quarter, a typically slow travel period.

That outlook could worsen, depending on what American Chairman Robert Crandall says Wednesday when he addresses a gathering of airline industry analysts in New York.

Robert Baker, American's executive president-operations, said he expects Crandall's speech to paint a fairly negative picture.

''We're all in the tank for the rest of the year,'' Baker said, referring to U.S. airlines. ''Nobody is going to make a dime.''

Other analysts said they expect Crandall to predict flat earnings, in part because of the on-going contract negotiations with its 8,500- member pilots union. The Allied Pilots Association is seeking a large pay hike in the wake of the 12 percent pay hike Delta Air Lines granted its pilots Aug.1.

American's management is seeking greater employee contributions towards the cost of retirees health benefits and trying to prevent a sudden jump in personnel costs.

The two sides are far apart after nearly a year of negotiations.

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#90251u0420 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

HELSINKI, FINLAND (SEPT. 8) UPI - The following is the verbatim text of President Bush's arrival speech in Helsinki, Finland, Saturday prior to Sunday's summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

President Koivisto, Mrs. Koivisto, and members of the Finnish government, the city of Helsinki has often been a meeting place for nations seeking to advance the cause of peace. And my thanks to the people of Finland first for hosting this meeting and for setting an example for all the world in your resolute commitment to liberty and independence.

When President Gorbachev and I met in Washington, we discussed the possibility of meetings such as the ones we'll hold here tomorrow. We agreed that the United States and the Soviet Union had reached a stage in our relations where meetings should occur more frequently - less fanfare, working meetings held as circumstances might dictate. And our aim was that these meetings be unstructured and informal, with an open agenda and a maximum opportunity to exchange views of mutual importance.

Well, in keeping with that aim, here in Helsinki President Gorbachev and I will focus on a full range of issues. We seek continued movement toward a new Europe, whole and free. We seek to advance the pace of arms control, strategic and conventional. And I want to hear about the progress of the Soviet reform and explore other issues of interest to our two countries. And, of course, I expect that we will devote a large part of our time together to the situation in the Persian Gulf.

I've said many times this past year that we have entered a new era in world affairs. This meeting comes at a critical time; at a moment when the actions we take can shape this new world for years to come.

In the past, many regional conflicts have played themselves out against the background of the larger conflict of the cold war. Renegade regimes and unpredictable rulers resorted to force, counting on superpower stalemate to frustrate a united response. International law and international organizations were often paralyzed, powerless to prevent conflict or restore the peace.

But the international response to Iraq's invasion proves how much has changed. Here in Helsinki, President Gorbachev and I meet, hopefully to strengthen our common approach to this unjustifiable act of aggression.

Much is at stake and there is much the world stands to gain if we succeed. If the nations of the world, acting together, continue, as they have been, to isolate Iraq and deny Saddam the fruits of aggression, we will set in place the cornerstone of an international order, more peaceful, stable and secure than any that we have known.

To our Finnish hosts, let me simply say that I intend to take full

advantage of this very brief but welcome opportunity to renew America's warm friendship with Finland.

I meet today with President Koivisto, whose counsel I have valued over the years. Barbara and I often talk about our visit here in the early '80's - 1983. And it was then that I first met your president - President Koivisto. We've stayed in very close touch since then. And I look forward to sharing his views on the many issues that I've just mentioned and others as well.

Finland has long been a voice of peace and stability between nations. In the councils of the CSCE, as a member of the United Nations peacekeeping forces. And today at this time of challenge, Finland once again stands with the forces of peace. I thank the government of Finland for its staunch support as a member of the United Nations Security Council, upholding international law in face of Iraq's unwarranted aggression.

Together, with the nations of the world, I am confident that we can reverse the dangerous course of events brought on by the actions of Saddam Hussein and restore peace, stability and respect for the rule of law.

Thank you Mr. President. And may God bless the people of Finland. Thank you.

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#90251u0431 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

HELSINKI, FINLAND (SEPT. 8) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze arrived in Finland's capital Saturday for Sunday's superpower summit with President George Bush.

Gorbachev arrived under overcast skies aboard a special Soviet flight and was met at Helsinki's international Vantaa airport by Finnish President Mauno Koivisto.

Bush arrived earlier Saturday. The two leaders had no plans to meet until Sunday, when they have scheduled seven hours of talks at the Finnish presidential palace before winding up with a joint news conference.

The meeting will mark the third superpower summit in the last 10 months.

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#90251u0461 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

HELSINKI, FINLAND (SEPT. 8) UPI - Presidents George Bush of the United States and Mauno Koivisto of Finland agreed Saturday that U.N. sanctions against Iraq must be ''fully and strictly implemented'' but did not discuss a possible air embargo or military strike, a Finnish official said.

The two leaders met for 90 minutes after Bush arrived in Helsinki for his Sunday summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, who landed in the Finnish capital Saturday evening.

Bush rebutted Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze's call for an international conference on the Middle East to deal with Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait, telling Koivisto that the United Nations is the proper forum to discuss conflicts in the region.

Bush said in a brief arrival statement that consolidated world isolation of Iraq would ''set in place the cornerstone of an international order more peaceful, stable and secure than any we have known.''

In a break with past practice, Bush and Koivisto rode together in the Finnish president's car from Helsinki's Vantaa International Airport to the 19th-century Presidential Palace. Finns, some of them holding small American flags, lined the capital's main thoroughfare, Mannerheimvagen, as the motorcade passed.

A beaming Bush shook hands with some of the hundreds of local residents, who enthusiastically greeted him outside the Presidential Palace.

Jaako Blomberg, director of the Finnish Foreign Ministry's political department, told reporters that Bush and Koivisto's talks had focused on the Persian Gulf crisis and the internal situation in the Soviet Union.

''The presidents discussed the (gulf) situation primarily from the point of view of the U.N. Security Council and agreed on the need to have Security Council sanctions fully and strictly implemented,'' Blomberg said.

Bush and Koivisto did not discuss a U.N. air embargo, U.S. military action or other possible tougher steps beyond the five U.N. measures in place against Iraq, Blomberg said.

''Future prospects of (possible) decisions were not discussed, other than the enforcement of sanctions as they are,'' he said.

Bush and Koivisto addressed the plight of tens of thousands of mainly Arab and Asian refugees who have fled Iraq and occupied Kuwait in the wake of Baghdad's Aug. 2 invasion.

They also discussed the fate of foreign nationals held hostage in Iraq, agreeing that those detained by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''have to leave the country without any conditions,'' Blomberg said.

Koivisto raised concerns about the harmful effects of the U.N. economic blockade against Baghdad on Eastern and Central European countries heavily

dependent on Iraqi oil and other imports.

Asked whether the two men had discussed Shevardnadze's call for an international conference to consider the gulf crisis in a broader context, Blomberg that Bush had made a ''reference ... to the United Nations being the proper forum for Middle East issues.''

Shevardnadze, who arrived in Helsinki with Gorbachev, previously said: ''I believe this (Middle East conference) plan is feasible even though, as far as I am aware, (U.S.) Secretary of State James Baker is not very enthusiastic at the moment.''

In an apparent reference to possible unilateral military action against Iraq by Saudi-based U.S. troops, Shevardnadze said the superpower summit ''will give both sides an opportunity to agree'' that all operations in the gulf must be based on U.N. resolutions.

''Neither the Soviet Union nor the United States have any ready- made formula to achieve a peaceful settlement to the gulf crisis,'' Shevardnadze told Soviet journalists Friday as he flew to Moscow from Japan to conclude a week-long Asia tour.

Shevardnadze said he was prepared to go to Iraq to help negotiate an end to the crisis.

But Gorbachev's spokesman, Vitaly Ignatenko, told reporters in Helsinki that Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz would not be welcome in Moscow for more talks unless he brought new proposals.

The invasion of Kuwait has seriously harmed relations between the Soviet Union and Iraq, which had been close allies with numerous economic and military ties.

On arriving at Helsinki's airport Saturday, Gorbachev said of his meeting with Bush, ''It is important for us to compare our political approaches and to cooperate in order to protect the important trends developing in the world today.'' He said it was important to make sure those trends ''are not thwarted.''

Finns said they were proud that their neutral, non-aligned country had been chosen as the venue for the summit.

''Finland is a small country, and now everyone is watching and interested in Helsinki and what's going to happen here,'' said Maria Roivas, an 18-year-old music student.

Bush noted in his arrival remarks that ''the city of Helsinki has often been a meeting place for nations seeking to advance the cause of peace.''

A senior Soviet official in Helsinki before Gorbachev's arrival said it was ''absolutely unpredictable'' whether the superpower leaders would stick to their plans of holding only one day of talks.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - U.S. help for the Soviet oil industry probably will be the topic when President Bush meets with American businessmen Sunday after his Helsinki summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on the Persian Gulf crisis.

Oilmen are heavily represented among 15 U.S. businessmen that will tour the Soviet Union next week with Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher in an attempt to bolster lagging Soviet oil production and improve trade.

Mosbacher told reporters Thursday the group will stop in Helsinki Sunday on its way to Moscow to meet with Bush after his summit with the Soviet leader.

The ''presidential mission,'' arranged before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of neighboring oil-rich Kuwait, is officially unrelated to the hastily called summit meeting to discuss the gulf crisis.

But as a result of the Soviet's help in the gulf, which Bush has called ''real and very helpful support,'' the United States appears ready to speed up help to the ailing Soviet oil industry.

''If they had taken a different position, our attitude might not have been so positive,'' Mosbacher, a former oilman, told reporters.

The Soviet Union is the world's largest oil producer and oil exports account for about half of its sorely needed hard-currency earnings from abroad.

But production from Soviet oil fields is dropping and Moscow needs American technology and know-how to find new fields as well as maintain and raise output from existing ones.

Soviet production is forecast to fall by 600,000 barrels a day to a 11.5 million-11.6 million barrel-a-day average in 1990, following a 350,000 barrel-a-day decline in 1989 from 12.48 million barrels daily in 1988, said Robert Ebel, international vice president of Enserch Corp. in Washington.

Even if deals were made soon, it probably would be two years before help from Western oil companies could reverse the decline, the former Soviet

affairs analyst for the CIA said.

To some extent, it is in the U.S. interest to help the Soviets increase their oil production, he said.

''We would not want another competitor for Middle East oil because of the current dependence of the United States, Europe and the Pacific Rim nations on oil from the region,'' Ebel said.

U.S. participation and investment in Soviet oil fields have been held back by the lack of a trade treaty between the two nations and the need for tax and investment agreements, he said.

''These kinds of treaties give you protection under the law,'' Ebel said. ''U.S. companies are in a position to help but they are being cautious and looking at the situation carefully. Can you make money and does profit recycling exist?'' he questioned.

There is no set agenda for the summit and the presumption is that the need for a trade agreement, which has been delayed by emigration restrictions against Soviet Jews, will at least come up.

But there is no indication ex-oilman Bush and Gorbachev will discuss ways to improve Soviet oil production.

Ebel said Energy Department officials have told him the White House had not requested any background data Bush might need to discuss the subject.

The Soviets have actively sought joint ventures with U.S. oil companies but Ebel said Soviet laws covering such ventures are ''immature.''

''It's difficult to know who has the final decision authority,'' he said.

Leighton Steward, president of Louisiana Land & Exploration Co. in New Orleans, said the U.S. businessmen are scheduled to meet with Gorbachev and possibly Boris Yeltsin, president of the Russian Republic.

''I hope they will tell us that the individual republics will be able to make their own deals,'' said Steward, who heads one of the largest independent U.S. exploration and production companies.

Cutting out the central Soviet bureauracy would shorten the time to complete a deal by as much as half, the executive said.

''I hope to come back with a firmer idea of when a deal could be cut,'' Steward said. His company already has held preliminary talks with the Soviets, he said.

''I would hope to be paid in oil rather than in rubles. I'm sure most of the deals will be cut on that basis,'' Steward said.

Even if the trip does not result in movement toward a deal, Chesley Pruet, president of Pruet Oil in El Dorado, Ark., said he would be willing to give the Soviets any technical advice sought.

''We want to support the process of economic reform,'' said the head of the drilling contractor and oil production company.

Chevron Corp. Chairman Ken Derr will be among the group touring the Soviet Union next week.

''Barring unforeseen circumstances, Chevron hopes to have a deal (with Moscow) by the end of the year,'' said Mike Libbey, spokesman for the San Francisco-based oil giant.

Chevron announced in June it was was studying the feasibility of including the huge Tengiz oil field near the Caspian Sea in a joint venture it has been discussing with Moscow for two years.

The potential of Tengiz rivals Alaska's North Slope, with nearly 10 billion barrels of recoverable crude.

But because of the field's difficult geology, the Soviets have not been able to exploit this potential and are seeking outside technological help.

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#90251u0489 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 8) UPI - As U.S. and foreign diplomats describe it, Sunday's Helsinki summit began with a series of telephone calls, starting with President Bush and Secretary of State James Baker, to Moscow about two weeks ago.

Speaking by telephone and by the telex ''hot line,'' the Americans suggested to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze that it would be mutually profitable to have a meeting and soon. As one senior official put it, the idea was ''to see where we are after the first crisis of the post-Cold War period.''

The Americans divided their goals into long and short term.

In the short term, Bush and Baker wanted to tighten up the noose around Iraq's economic lifeline, to make Saddam Hussein give up any lingering hopes of driving a wedge between the two superpowers and to drive home the idea that it really is a case of Iraq against the rest of the world.

In the longer term, Bush wanted to discuss what American officials call the ''architecture'' of the future, focusing on a newly revitalized United Nations that is no longer paralyzed by East-West rivalry.

From the beginning, Bush and Baker emphasized that the meeting should be low key, informal and brief, in the pattern of December's Malta meeting.

Gorbachev, who had his own agenda, quickly agreed in principle to the meeting.

As one diplomatic official involved in the pre-summit arrangements said, ''In the Soviet Union today, there are only two charismatic leaders, Gorbachev and (Russian President) Boris Yeltsin. Yeltsin is immensely popular domestically, but only Gorbachev has international credibility and stature.''

Gorbachev, at a time when he is under intense domestic political pressure, appeared to be eager for any help he can get, one diplomat said.

The next question was where to hold the summit. Moscow and Washington were quickly ruled out because the protocol and accompanying bureaucratic teams in each capital would make an informal meeting impossible.

Gorbachev, according to diplomatic officials, wanted the meeting to be in some neutral site in Europe, preferably close to Moscow.

Helsinki, which has survived the daunting experience of housing, feeding and providing communications for thousands of journalists during several recent international conferences, quickly moved up the list of possible sites, while others dropped off.

As one Finnish diplomat put it, ''When they eliminated those which would be unsuitable because of logistics or location, they came to us.''

That, in itself was a change, because Finnish officials were informed 18 months ago that the United States was extremely annoyed at both Sweden and Finland because of their giving open support to the Sandinistas in Nicaragua. With the Nicaraguan war over, Finland and Sweden had once again become eligible for official American visits, another sign that the Cold War and its incidental skirmishes were history.

Another plus for Helsinki, according to diplomats, was the fact that Finland has contributed more troops to United Nations peacekeeping forces than any other nation, an important bit of symbolism for two leaders who were coming to talk about such things as bolstering the role of the United Nations in the coming years.

Finland, the site of the original Conference on Cooperation and Security

in Europe - the so-called Helsinki Final Act - also played a key role in the document that paved the way for the Gorbachev reforms. That was another plus.

The main meeting will be in the Finnish Presidential Palace, another piece of symbolism. When Finland was annexed by the Russian empire in the 19th century, it was the home of the Russian grand duke who ruled the province.

The palace is now the residence of the Finnish president, who leads the democratic Finnish state, which has lived uneasily but successfully in the shadow of the Soviet Union for the past 73 years.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - Coaches Jerry Glanville, Joe Bugel and Bruce Coslet face their old teams and the San Francisco 49ers return to the site of their greatest victory on the opening weekend of the 1990 NFL season.

Glanville, whose rocky run as Oilers head coach ended when he resigned after last season, faces Houston in his first game with the Atlanta Falcons.

Bugel, a Washington assistant for nine years, coaches his first game as the Phoenix Cardinals boss in Washinton. The scenario is the same for Bruce Coslet. After nine years as a Bengals assistant, he takes his New York Jets to Cincinnati for his head coaching debut. The third man making his NFL head coaching debut Sunday, New England's Rod Rust, faces the Miami Dolphins at home.

The 49ers cap the opening weekend Monday night at New Orleans, where they crushed Denver 55-10 last January to repeat as Super Bowl champions. Against the Saints, the 49ers kick off their quest for the historic ''three-peat.'' Glanville, had a 35-35 record at Houston from 1985-89 and led the Oilers into the playoffs three years. But they were considered underachievers because they never advanced past the second round of the postseason, and great things are expected under Glanville's successor Jack Pardee.

''Any time you leave a team, and it doesn't have to be as head coach, you have a special emotion when you play that team for the first time,'' said Glanville, who was uncharacteristically low-key this week.

''I'm sure Sunday will be emotional but I'll try to keep it away from the players.''

Oddly, the Falcons are slight favorites though they are coming off a 3-13 season and seven straight losing years.

The game should be wide open, because Glanville brought his red gun offense with him to Atlanta and Pardee installed the run-and-shoot he used at the University of Houston. The passing attacks suit Falcons quarterback Chris Miller and Houston passer Warren Moon.

Pardee tried to downplay Glanville's role on Sunday.

''Jerry's not going to be on the field,'' he said. ''If he is, we'll be getting some yardage out of it.

''I'd definitely be disappointed if our players didn't want to play their best against their former coach.''

Pardee returns to the NFL, where he coached Chicago from 1975-77 and Washington from 1978-80.

Any advantage Bugel and Coslet have in knowing their old teams' systems is overriden by the superior talent those former teams enjoy. The biggest preseason decision for both former offensive assistants was selecting a quarterback.

Bugel cut veteran Gary Hogeboom and will start untested Timm Rosenbach. Coslet chose incumbent Ken O'Brien over Tony Eason in a battle of veterans.

Coslet said he will suspend friendships on the Bengals from the opening kickoff to the final gun.

''I've got a lot of friends on the Cincinnati sidelines, but for three hours on Sunday they're no friends of mine,'' he said.

Bengals Coach Sam Wyche said Coslet's return might give the Jets an emotional edge.

''It's going to be emotional for Bruce because he wants to come back and show what he can do with his new guys,'' Wyche said. ''We'll have to respond emotionally or we'll lose whatever edge we have.''

Joe Montana and the 49ers face a rugged Saints defense Monday night. The 49ers have won their last three over the Saints in New Orleans, by a total of seven points.

''The New Orleans game is going to be indicative of the way our whole season is going to go,'' San Francisco safety Chet Brooks said. ''Every team is going to be up for us, every week.''

In other games Sunday, it's Philadelphia at the New York Giants, Denver at the Los Angeles Raiders, Indianapolis at Buffalo, the Los Angeles Rams at

Green Bay, Minnesota at Kansas City, Pittsburgh at Cleveland, San Diego at Dallas, Seattle at Chicago, and Tampa Bay at Detroit.

At East Rutherford, N.J., the Eagles try to make it five straight over their bitter NFC East rivals. Philadelphia is without holdout All- Pro tight end Keith Jackson, while the Giants have former holdout All- Pro linebacker Lawrence Taylor after three days of practice.

At Buffalo, No. 1 draft pick Jeff George makes his NFL debut as starting quarterback for the Colts against the two-time defending AFC East champion Bills.

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BY DAVID E. ANDERSON

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 8) UPI - Rabbi James Rudin pulled into a gas station along the Ohio Turnpike at the end of August and found a wait for service - not because of gas lines, but because the attendants wanted to hear the latest radio broadcast on developments in the Persian Gulf.

''It was very strange,'' said Rudin, the director of interreligious affairs for the American Jewish Committee. ''I travel a lot and I've never seen that before - two guys stopping their work and going to listen to the news - and this was four weeks into the crisis.''

Rudin's experience is a sign that the Middle East crisis is dominating the American psyche, stirred by the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq and jolted by the massive U.S. military response, the taking of Western hostages and world condemnation of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Other indicators confirm Rudin's experience.

In mid-August, the Times Mirror Center for the Public and the Press found that the American public was ''riveted'' on the crisis in a way never observed since the center began surveying interest in news events in 1986.

''The center's 'news interest index' indicated that the gulf crisis is one of the highest attention-getters in history,'' said Andrew Kohut, director of the survey. He said 85 percent of those surveyed volunteered the crisis as the most important news event of the month. A 60 percent rating followed the U.S. invasion of Panama in December and a 50 percent measure was recorded after the fall of communism in Eastern Europe late last year.

''Like it or not, the buildup in the Middle East places us in a crisis, and every minute of news coverage reminds us of our fears for ourselves, our families and our country,'' said Dr. Charles Figley, a family

therapist and director of the Psychosocial Stress Research Program at Florida State University.

So far, the public supports a White House policy that has deployed more than 100,000 American military personnel to warships in the Persian Gulf and the Saudi Arabian desert and has authorized the first call-up of military reserve forces in almost 20 years.

An NBC News-Wall Street Journal poll released last week found that 76 percent of those Americans surveyed supported President Bush's decision to deploy troops, up from 70 percent when the crisis began.

Paul Dyster, of the Catholic University of America and a former State Department official, said political scientists agree that there is a cycle that typifies American public opinion when the president takes forceful action.

''Usually, the public reaction can be described in a general way as first, very supportive of the president in the early stages of the crisis,'' Dyster said. ''People tend not to be very critical, they tend to accept the things they hear from the White House.

''As time goes one, however, and more sources of information become available - from the media, for example - they begin to apply a more traditional cost-benefit analysis. As the costs mount, as the risks mount, there is a tendency for the public to become much more ''endency fo

Dyster also said ''muted'' public opposition partly resulted from the fact that ''people have voted with their feet - they'd rather fight for Persian oil than undergo domestic hardship'' and in part because there is no military draft.

''We have a volunteer army. Even the reserves and National Guard units are made up of volunteers and are very different from conscriptees. It makes it easier for the American public to accept sending them somewhere.''

Dyster said he expects the public - for now - to remain patient and continue to support Bush. ''American public opinion, because of Vietnam, the (Iranian) hostage crisis, has become very sophisticated,'' he said.

Despite overwhelming support, there is concern.

''I saw a great deal of concern,'' Rudin said of his automobile trip from Madison, Wis., to New York City. ''People feel enormous concern about American lives. There is a lot of fear, a lot of anxiety.''

On the campus of the University of Wisconsin at Madison, Rudin said, parents wondered about allowing their children to join ROTC. There was

also concern - and some anger, he said - about the failure of America's allies, especially Germany and Japan, to commit troops to the desert.

Larry Ross, a spokesman for evangelist Billy Graham and a Dallas resident, said there was intense concern over the crisis in his community - in part because it is touched both by the oil business and because many of the troops being sent to Saudi Arabia are coming from that area.

''I wouldn't exactly call it anxiety,'' he said. ''But there is an emotion out there. There is a community spirit, a spirit of the people saying, 'We're all a part of this.'''

Other communities and groups are responding to the crisis and the disruption by finding ways of showing solidarity with the troops and hostages.

Teamsters union President William McCarthy called on members to wear blue and yellow ribbons on Labor Day in support of troops and hostages and declared the traditional workers' holiday ''Support U.S. Troops and Hostages Day.''

Karen Bunker, Federal Way, Wash., posted a notice on the Prodigy personal computer network, which has some 450,000 subscribers, noting her son was on a ship in the Mideast and seeking recipies for cookies that would stand up to shipment overseas.

The response was overwhelming, according to Prodigy officials, and resulted in Operation Cookie as well as an outpouring of support for those engaged in the Mideast mission.

Other responses speak directly to the disruptions caused by the military buildup and the call-up of reserves.

The National Apartment Association, a trade association of managers, developers and builders of multi-family housing, urged its members to ''accommodate the special circumstances our soldiers are experiencing by keeping rents stable and accommodating leases during their time of service.''

Rudin said his trip indicated that so far most of the public's concern and attention is focused on the troops.

''There was very little concern about the hostages,'' he said. ''Much, much more about the GIs, the men and women and how long they'll be there.''

The downplaying of the role of the hostages - and their families on the homefront - has some people worried.

The American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy estimates that well over 100,000 families are missing members, either deployed in the military to the region or held hostage and even more families are touched by other anxieties springing from the crisis - over a possible draft, nuclear war, a stock market crash and even family farms failing as a result of the economic blockade.

Dr. Pauline Boss, a family therapist at the Univeristy of Minnesota, said she was concerned about the lack of compassion being shown toward the hostages and their families.

''There's some blaming of the victim going on,'' she said, noting that people were viewing the hostages as ''only there for the money.''

''I wonder if we're slowly moving to situation where if they do get hurt, we won't feel so bad. I'm a little bit nervous about that, concerned that we don't remove the compassion.''

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - President Bush flew to Helsinki, Finland, this morning for the summit meeting with Soviet President Gorbachev that's intended to increase pressure on Iraq. The two leaders hold five hours of talks tomorrow. Gorbachev is in favor of the economic embargo against Iraq. Bush hopes to persuade him to play a more direct role, although he will NOT ask Gorbachev to send troops.

Emergency workers at Edwards Air Force Base in California are searching for the body of a worker killed when an experimental Titan-4 booster motor exploded. An Air Force spokesman says one person is missing and presumed dead under the rubble left by a fire. The motor was being moved yesterday when it fell from a crane and burst into flames. At least nine people were injured, including one who suffered chemical burns.

The father of a family of Colombian cocaine drug traffickers has rejected a government offer of light sentences for dealers who surrender. Fabio Ochoa says the offer is full of ''tricks.'' He says he wants guarantees. Ochoa has three sons who are among the biggest traffickers in Colombia. The Colombian government has offered to cut jail terms up to 50 percent for drug dealers who identify other dealers.

It's a day of contrasts- cold in the Northeast and hot in the South. A cold front was expected to bring temperatures tonight in the 40's in the Berkshires of western Massachusetts and in western New York State. Parts of the South, though, had temperatures in the 100's. A thunderstorm in Idaho caused more than a dozen fires in the Boise National Forest.

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#90251u0510 09/08/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 8) UPI - A U-S judge in Honolulu refuses to stop the transportation of chemical weapons to Johnston Island in the Pacific where they are to be destroyed. Environmentalists and native groups say the weapons will threaten the Pacific environment. Some South Pacific nations agree. The weapons are in U-S stockpiles in West Germany. They include 100-thousand rounds of nerve gas. The environmentalists plan to appeal.

An Agriculture Department spokesman says the study on the costs of saving the spotted owl has NOT been concluded. The spotted owl is an endangered species in the Northwest. Assistant Secretary James Mosely denies a report that a task force concluded saving the owl would cost 20-thousand jobs in the timber industry. Mosely oversees the national forests. He called the story ''misleading and inaccurate.''

Massachusetts Senator Edward Kennedy's only daughter, Kara Kennedy, is getting married today... to Washington architect Michael Allen. She will have nearly 30 attendants, including several from her famous political family. The wedding will take place at Our Lady of Victory Church on Cape Cod. The reception will be at the Hyannisport home of the bride's grandmother, 100-year-old Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy.

Tomorrow is California's 140th anniversary as a state, and by coincidence, it is also the date the California population is expected to reach 30-Million. The nose count was made by California's Department of Finance. One in eight Americans is a Californian. In 1850, the new state had only 92-thousand-597 people. It had far more elk. Now it has so few elk that they are protected by law.

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#90251u0513 09/08/1990 ~United Press International
MIAMI (SEPT. 8) UPI - Atmospheric winds sheared off the top of Hurricane Isidore Saturday, slicing it down to a minimal hurricane with top winds of just 75 mph.

Isidore's maximum sustained winds dropped rapidly, down from 100 mph on Friday, forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami said. They predicted the storm would continue to weaken Saturday.

If its sustained winds drop below 74 mph, Isidore would be downgraded to a tropical storm.

''It's still too early to tell if it's going to try to make a comeback, but I think it will weaken to a tropical storm today,'' hurricane forecaster Max Mayfield said.

At noon EDT, Isidore was centered near latitude 23.5 north, longitude 39.8 west, or about 935 miles west-northwest of the Cape Verde Islands.

It was moving north-northwest at near 13 mph and was expected to continue that general motion for the next 24 hours.

Isidore developed from a tropical depression Wednesday. Forecasters had feared it might turn westward toward the Caribbean, but it has spun harmlessly through the open Atlantic.

''It's a long, long way from land and I can't think of any reason for it to change direction,'' Mayfield said. ''That keeps it away from the Caribbean. It's a minimal hurricne now and will remain a threat only to marine interests.''

Hurricane-force winds extended 35 miles from the center and tropical storm-force winds extended up to 200 miles.

Isidore is the ninth named storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season and the fourth to reach hurricane strength. The season runs from June 1 to Nov. 30.

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#90251u0520 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 8) UPI - Members of a congressional defense appropriations subcommittee hailed Saturday the prospect of Soviet troops being deployed in Saudi Arabia alongside U.S. troops, saying such a move would prove the existence of ''a new world order'' of superpower cooperation against leaders like Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Rep. John Murtha, D-Pa., who spent three days touring Saudi Arabia with a 10-person congressional delegation, said that if Moscow was considering sending ground forces to Saudi Arabia, ''We would welcome the Soviet troops.''

President Bush told reporters aboard Air Force One en route to Sunday's summit meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev that he had no plans to ask the Soviet leader to deploy such troops, but U.S. officials are known to believe it would be useful for the Soviets to send forces to join U.S. and multinational troops sent to the gulf region.

''There is a new world order,'' Murtha said with reference to the collapse of the cold war and U.S. and Soviet support for sanctions against Iraq in response to its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. ''The two superpowers are now coming together to find peaceful solutions to regional conflicts.

''This is where (Saddam) Hussein completely miscalculated,'' the congressman said. ''I am sure he though the Soviets would completely veto any sanctions against him.''

Murtha and other members of the defense subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee toured sites where U.S. forces are deployed in Saudi Arabia's Eastern province and in Jeddah, where they had an audience with Saudi King Fahd and met with exiled Kuwaiti leaders.

Although there are trade links between Saudi Arabia and the Soviet Union, the Saudi kingdom does not have diplomatic relations with Moscow because the orthodox Islamic monarchy objects to official Soviet athiesm.

There are signs this objection is wavering, however, and a Western diplomat, when asked how Riyadh would react to Soviet troops on Saudi soil said, ''I think they would welcome it.''

Most of Iraq's weaponry was supplied by the Soviets and about 1,000 of the estimated 5,000 Soviets remaining in Iraq are military advisers, which Moscow has refused to withdraw because it does not want to break contractual obligations.

But Moscow moved swiftly to ban all arms exports to Iraq following the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Citizens of the two superpowers have already found some appreciation of each other in Saudi Arabia.

At one port facility in the Eastern province, where the U.S. military is unloading vast shipments of munitions, a Soviet freighter has berthed in recent days to unload grain.

U.S. Marines have been paying special attention to the vessel because its female crew members spend their spare time sunbathing on the deck of the hammer-and-sickle bedecked ship.

The Soviet women have started playing to their captive audience, strolling about the deck and waving to the Americans.

Murtha's delegation has also met with the overall commander of the U.S. ground forces in the gulf, Gen. Norman H. Schwarzkopf, who delegation members said emphatically denied a report that he was in a power struggle with his Saudi counterpart.

''It is completely inaccurate,'' Murtha said of a Washington Post report on the alleged dispute. ''There are no problems with the command structure. ... There is no difference between the Saudi policy on this international atrocity and U.S. policy.''

Schwarzkopf was reportedly incensed when Saudi Gen. Khaled Ibn Sultan said the United States would have to consult with Saudi King Fahd before launching any offense against Iraq from Saudi positions. Such a caveat would limit American options to strike if U.S. hostages held in Kuwait and Iraq were in danger, analysts say.

Murtha stressed the military buildup in the region was a multinational effort, not one involving only the United States - pointing out that Egypt and Syria had sent troops as well.

Murtha said the United Nations was proving itself to be an effective means of upholding international laws against leaders like Saddam, whom he described as the ''Hitler of the Middle East,'' and he said U.S. forces in the gulf area would be able to resist any attack by Iraqi troops from neighboring Kuwait.

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#90251u0548 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

GAINESVILLE, FL. (SEPT. 8) UPI - Sources close to the investigation of the slayings of five college students said a chief suspect has admitted to having knowledge of the first two killings, a newspaper reported Saturday.

The Florida Times-Union said that during an interview with investigators last week, suspect Edward Humphrey named someone he said killed the first two victims - Christina Powell, 17, and Sonja Larson, 18.

The two University of Florida students were found stabbed to death Aug. 26 in their Gainesville apartment.

The Times-Union said investigators believe the person Humphrey named is one of the multiple personalities he has appeared to exhibit.

Humphrey is considered to be one of eight suspects in the case. He was arrested on Aug. 30 and charged with assaulting his grandmother and was being held in lieu of $1 million bond in the Brevard County Detention Center.

Quoting unidentified sources, the Times-Union said Humphrey, 18, a part-time student at the University of Florida, made the statement to state Department of Law Enforcement investigators after he was charged with beating his grandmother in her home. Humphrey gave no other details in his statement.

So far, authorities have refused to discuss publicly what Humphrey told investigators and have not made an arrest in connection with the killings.

Gainesville Police Lt. Sadie Darnell said investigators expect defense attorneys to challenge any statements Humphrey has made if he is charged. She said the task force has developed a strategy to deal with such a defense move, but she would not say what the strategy is.

The Times-Union said it had also confirmed a report that investigators found a pubic hair similar to Humphrey's at one of the crime scenes.

The hair, unlike fingerprints, is not considered to be conclusive evidence but can be used to narrow a list of suspects.

Investigators took hair and blood samples from Humphrey Thursday, but police would not comment on reports they were awaiting DNA test results. Such tests, which can help identify the killer, usually take six to eight weeks.

Police also said Friday they found ''promising'' evidence when they searched Humphrey's Gainesville apartment, his grandmother's home in Indialantic and his car. Authorities refused to disclose any details about the searches.

''We continue to make progress,'' said Alachua County Sheriff's spokesman Lt. Spencer Mann. But he said, ''An arrest is not imminent.''

Darnell said Friday that investigators speculate the killer may have spent from one to two hours in some of the apartments where the murder took place, and police believe the killer had some knowledge of his victims.

The bodies of the five slain students were all found in their apartments between Aug. 26 and Aug. 28. All five victims lived within 2 miles of each other and within 2 miles of the university campus. Besides Powell and Larson, the victims included Christina Hoyt, 18, Tracy Paules, 23 and Manuel Taboada, 23. Hoyt was a student at Santa Fe Community College and the others were all UF students.

All five were stabbed to death, and some of their bodies were mutilated.

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#90251u0558 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 8) UPI - President Bush arrived in Helsinki, Finland, this morning for a scheduled five-hour meeting with Soviet President Gorbachev tomorrow. The Persian Gulf crisis is certain to be the focus of the two leaders' talks. .

Bush is expected to press Gorbachev to take a more decisive stand against Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait. But Bush says he has ''NO plans'' to ask Gorbachev to commit Soviet ground forces to Saudi Arabia. .

A U-S military jet is waiting in Amman, Jordan, to take hundreds of Americans airlifted out of Kuwait back to the United States. The first flight carrying American men, women and children out of Kuwait arrived in Jordan from Iraq yesterday.

Secretary of State Baker met with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in Egypt today to brief him on U-S strategy to isolate Iraq. Baker says the Saudi government and the exiled Kuwaiti government promised financial support for the U-S troop deployment in the Gulf region.

President Bush says he thinks there's a new ''spirit of optimism'' in federal budget talks. White House and congressional negotiators are meeting through the weekend to discuss how to cut costs, raise revenues and reduce the deficit.

Emergency crews are searching the rubble of an explosion and fire at Edwards Air Force Base in California, looking for a worker killed yesterday when a Titan-4 rocket motor booster dropped from a crane and blew up.

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#90251u0561 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 8) UPI - Officials in Taiwan say three people were killed today when Typhoon Dot slammed into the island with 85-mile-an-hour winds. Yesterday in the Philippines, officials say Dot triggered heavy rains and flooding that killed at least four people.

A criminal justice expert from Boston's Northeastern University says the mentally ill suspect in police custody in Gainesville, Florida, is probably NOT the person who killed five college students. James Fox says the serial killer is more likely a sociopath, NOT a psychopath.

The U-S-D-A is investigating the deaths of 25 puppies aboard a United Airlines passenger flight from Chicago to San Diego. Airport crews apparently didN'T open the cargo area for ventilation as the plane sat on the ground for two hours in noontime heat on Thursday.

The California State Medical Board says disciplinary proceedings have been initiated against three prominent physicians accused of prescribing potentially life-threatening doses of painkillers to actress Elizabeth Taylor.

Kara Kennedy, the only daughter of Democratic Senator Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts, is getting married today. The lavish afternoon ceremony will take place on Cape Cod and will include nearly 30 attendants.

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#90251u0608 09/08/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 8) UPI - President Bush has arrived in Helsinki, Finland, for tomorrow's summit meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. The two are united in wanting to tighten the screws against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Because of Soviet domestic problems, Bush will NOT ask Gorbachev to send troops.

The Bush administration says the United States is giving 12-Million dollars of food to feed thousands of victims of the Iraqi crisis. More than 120-thousand people who fled Kuwait are stranded in refugee camps in Jordan... most of them in the desert. Washington is giving rice, flour and vegetable oil.

Oil prices fell up to two dollars a barrel yesterday. The slide started because of rumors that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had been ousted. It continued because some traders decided to cash in their profits rather than risk them over the weekend. West Texas Intermediate fell one dollar 39 cents for the day.

Cambodian resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk says he is too sick to attend peace talks in Indonesia. An aide says he has kidney stones. The announcement puts the talks in doubt because Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen earlier refused to attend if Sihanouk was NOT present. It's NOT immediately known if Hun Sen will change his mind now that Sihanouk says he is ill.

Some leading Chinese government economists want the system of state subsidies abolished. The China Daily says the economists propose letting coal prices rise immediately. They also want unprofitable enterprises closed down. Millions of Chinese have been laid off because factories have had to slow production.

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#90251u0611 09/08/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 8) UPI - A magazine says most of the blood donated at the main blood bank in Uganda tested positive for the virus associated with AIDS. Only one-third of the blood was safe. The African nation has nearly 16-thousand cases of AIDS and about one-Million carriers of the virus.

A 72-year-old California man has been ordered to stand trial in Michigan for the murder of his cancer-stricken wife. Bertram Harper took his wife to a motel near Detroit and helped her commit suicide. He mistakenly believed it was NOT illegal to assist suicides in Michigan.

Eight young men charged with killing a Utah tourist in a Manhattan subway

station near Times Square have been indicted on murder and robbery charges. The suspects face 25 years to life in prison if convicted of the most serious charge, murder while committing a felony.

A criminal justice expert does NOT believe the college freshman considered a suspect in the five Gainesville, Florida, deaths is the actual killer. James Fox of Northeastern University in Boston said the freshman is a psychopath. He says the killer, on the other hand, probably is a sociopath... someone who enjoys terrorizing his victims.

Atlantic City, New Jersey, authorities are upset because Miss America officials have made a deal with black activist Al Sharpton. Sharpton agreed that his group will NOT disrupt tonight's Miss America pageant. An aide to the mayor complains that Sharpton was arrested earlier this week for inciting a riot.

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#90251u0613 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

HELSINKI, FINLAND (SEPT. 8) UPI - The following is a verbatim transcript of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's speech on arrival in Helsinki Saturday prior to Sunday's summit with U.S. President George Bush:

Mr. President and Mrs. Koivisto, let me very warmly thank you and the friendly people of Finland for your hospitality in receiving us and for once again agreeing to take part in a very important event.

It is very symbolic that this extremely important meeting between the president of the Soviet Union and the president of the United States will be taking place in Helsinki, which saw the birth of some very important trends that are evolving today and acquiring further prospects.

President George Bush expressed the desire for us to meet at this crucial moment in history when it is very important to compare our political approaches and to cooperate in order to protect the positive trends evolving in the world today to make sure that they are not thwarted by any development.

I accepted this invitation with pleasure, and given the rapid agreement of the government of Finland, we are now here. I hope this meeting will be successful. It is important for us to meet personally. Although we have been in touch through our personal representatives and in various other ways, it is necessary to meet in order to discuss the acute crisis in the Persian Gulf and a number of other issues.

I would like to conclude my brief remarks by expressing very warm wishes to the people of Finland from all the peoples of the Soviet Union. I wish prosperity to your country. Thank you.

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#90251u0616 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

TAMPA, FL (SEPT. 8) UPI - Three hemophiliac brothers who were shunned by their community when it became known they had the AIDS virus have lost their legal battle against two pharmaceutical companies they said made the blood products that infected them.

U.S. District Judge Elizabeth A. Kovachevich cleared the pharmaceutical companies Friday of negligence and granted their request to have the case dismissed.

''Given the law as it exists in Florida today, this court is bound to grant summary judgment to the defendants,'' Kovachevich said.

Clifford and Louise Ray of Sarasota filed suit in 1988 against Cutter Laboratories, a division of Miles Inc., and Armour Pharmaceutical Co., on behalf of their three sons, Ricky, 13, Robert, 12, and Randy, 10.

Their suit claimed their sons were exposed to the AIDS virus through contaminated blood products they took for their hemophilia. They claimed Cutter and Armour were negligent in the manufacture and distribution of coagulating agents.

But attorneys for the companies successfully argued that the Rays and their doctors could not specifically identify the plasma product that infected the boys. Without showing a direct cause of the damages, the family cannot sue for negligence, Kovachevich's order said.

The family also sued under other theories of liability not yet accepted in Florida but which have become major tools of consumer litigation in other states.

Those theories hold that when a consumer cannot show the exact source of a defective product, such as when the consumer uses the same product from different suppliers over time, damages should be assessed according to each firm's share of the market.

Kovachevich said those theories were argued before the Florida Supreme Court in 1986 but ''unfortunately'' no decision has been rendered, giving the Rays no other legal remedy.

''This is particularly disturbing given Florida's constitutional mandate that for every wrong there must be redress,'' Kovachevich said.

The Rays' attorney were not available for comment.

The Rays drew national attention in 1987 when they were shunned by the community of Arcadia and by school officials after the boys' AIDS virus infection became known.

Their house burned down in a fire investigators said was arson, but no arrests were ever made. The Rays have since settled in Sarasota.

Their suit alleged that Cutter and Armour failed to screen out high-risk blood donors from the plasma from which the agents are made, failed to test the products for AIDS and failed to warn users of the risks of contracting AIDS.

During litigation, Cutter Labs mistakenly gave the Rays' attorneys a memo showing that Cutter's own attorney recommended as early as 1982 that plasma products carry warnings about AIDS. Cutter and Armour did not start including the warnings until 1984.

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#90251u0642 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 8) UPI - A published report says two-thirds of the blood donated to Uganda's main blood bank has been rejected after testing positive for the virus associated with AIDS. The project manager for the Nakasero Blood Bank near the capital of Kampala says only one-third of the 17-thousand blood units donated since the blood bank opened in May are safe. Uganda is in east-central Africa.

Emergency workers are searching for the body of a worker missing in yesterday's explosion at Edwards Air Force Base in California. A Titan-4 rocket booster motor loaded with 225-thousand pounds of rocket fuel fell from a crane and burst into flames. Nine others were injured in the accident, one seriously.

A Philippine official says Manila will try to curb Washington's ''UNhampered'' use of American military facilities in the Philippines. The current U-S basing rights treaty expires in September 1991, and a second round of talks on renewal of those rights is set for later this month. Philippine officials, concerned about 50-thousand Filipinos in Iraq and five-thousand more in Kuwait, want to know if the U-S bases are involved in operations in the Persian Gulf region.

In San Francisco yesterday, about 200 chanting demonstrators took part in a protest against attacks by Republican Senator Jesse Helms on government funding of controversial art. The artists buried a time capsule of so-called ''endangered'' works, as a woman in a flag costume bared her breasts and a transvestite danced to a beating drum.

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#90251u0645 09/08/1990 ~United Press International
PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 8) UPI - Workers at a bulk mail processing center were evacuated for several hours Saturday after finding a box of World War I- era grenades in the mail, police said.

The devices were found when a parcel being unloaded from a truck at the Bulk Mail Center fell off a conveyor belt and broke open, said Philadelphia police Lt. Gene Zelks.

''There were 19 grenades of first World War vintage, a 40- millimeter shell and some relics from the first World War,'' Zelks said.

The items were covered with dirt and were in poor condition, police said.

''Some of them had pins in them and the spoons still attached,'' Zelks said of the grenades. ''They were rusty ... so it was impossible to tell if they were live or not.''

Workers were evacuated for about three hours and the devices taken to the Police Academy. They were detonated without incident, police said.

Postal officials said the parcel was mailed from France to Chambersburg, Pa., and they were trying Saturday to identify the sender and the intended recipient.

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#90251u0667 09/08/1990 ~United Press International
ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, Md. (SEPT. 8) UPI - White House and congressional budget negotiators met at their military hideaway for a second day Saturday as federal workers protested the threat of widespread furloughs should the talks fail.

Negotiations resumed at 1 p.m. following a morning of separate Democratic and Republican ''caucuses,'' but there was no word on progress made during the 13 1/2-hour opening session kicked off Friday by President Bush.

The marathon budget summit, the latest and probably last in a series of negotiations that began in May, are aimed at reaching an accord on spending cuts and tax increases to reduce the $168.8 billion federal deficit.

Failure to produce a budget package by Oct. 1 would set off $105 billion in automatic spending cuts under the Gramm-Rudman budget- balancing law. Federal agencies have warned that such a development would severely curtail basic government services and result in the furloughs of federal workers.

As talks continued Saturday, about two dozen government employees, chanting, ''hell no, furloughs!'' and wearing black armbands, picketed outside the gates of Andrews, 15 miles east of Washington, to protest the threatened layoffs.

''We're here to send a message that we don't want them to strike a budget deal that's at the expense of federal employees or the people that we serve,'' said John Sturdivant, president of the American Federation of Government Employees.

The union represents 700,000 of the 2.1 million civilian federal workers who could lose several weeks of pay if the automatic spending cuts take effect.

''The federal employees have done our job,'' Sturdivant said. ''Obviously, the administration and members of Congress haven't done their jobs or else we wouldn't be here.''

Bush, before heading off to Finland for a meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, opened the budget talks Friday with words of encouragement, saying he sensed a ''new spirit of optimism'' for reaching an agreement.

The negotiators met from 10 a.m. until 11:30 p.m. the first day, said Karen Beimdiek, a spokeswoman for the House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri, chairman of the talks.

The administration team and 17 congressional negotiators have given themselves an unofficial deadline of Monday, hoping to reach a settlement in time for the president's return from Helsinki.

The negotiators planned to remain sequestered for the duration of the talks at the Officers Club at Andrews, away from reporters and distractions of Capitol Hill. News media were allowed on the base, but were relegated to facilities a good distance from the club.

The administration and congressional leaders of both parties had agreed going into the talks to shoot for a budget package that would reduce the deficit by $50 billion in fiscal 1991, which begins Oct. 1, and by $500 billion over five years.

Because these goals fall short of the current Gramm-Rudman targets, the law would have to be modified as part of any new budget package.

A savings of $50 billion is twice the size of the largest previous one-year deficit reduction - a cut of $25 billion achieved in late 1987 following the stock market crash.

But it is less than half the $105 billion in spending cuts - split evenly between defense and domestic programs - that would be imposed under Gramm-Rudman starting Oct. 1 if no budget agreement is reached.

The law exempts certain programs from the Gramm-Rudman cuts, such as Social Security and most entitlement programs for the poor. Reductions in Medicare benefits cannot exceed 2 percent and Bush has exempted military personnel.

Nevertheless, federal agencies have warned of widespread disruptions in basic functions of the government, as well as furloughs of up to 22 days for most civilian federal employees if the automatic cuts take effect.

''They've talked about 22 days, but we hear figures of 30 to 60 days. We can't afford that,'' Sturdivant said. ''Gramm-Rudman is no way to run a government. It's a cop-out.''

Although Social Security is insulated from the Gramm-Rudman budget ax, Sturdivant noted that his union represents 55,000 Social Security employees, and that furloughs could prevent benefit checks from going out on time.

Health care for veterans, meat and poultry inspections, prison security and civilian military support are also among the government services that would be diminished, he said.

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#90251u0669 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL. (SEPT. 8) UPI - Engineers removed foam insulation from around leaking fuel pumps in the grounded shuttle Columbia's engine room Saturday and geared up to replace the units Sunday in critical work to keep the ship on track for launch around Sept. 17.

On nearby launch pad 39B, meanwhile, engineers worked to install the European-built Ulysses solar probe in the shuttle Discovery's payload bay for blastoff around Oct. 5.

To put the spacecraft on the proper course to the sun, Discovery must be launched between Oct. 5 and Oct. 18 or the $750 million mission will be delayed for 13 months - a bleak prospect for a project already running four years behind schedule because of the 1986 Challenger disaster.

Given Discovery's relatively tight 18-day launch period, or window, and an internal NASA rule calling for three weeks between shuttle launches, Columbia must get off the ground within a few days of its current Sept. 17 target, or the flight likely will be delayed until after the

higher-priority Ulysses mission.

Columbia and its seven-man crew were grounded eight hours before blastoff Thursday when sensors detected explosive hydrogen gas seeping into the ship's engine compartment.

Launch originally was scheduled for launch May 30, but the flight was put on hold by a leak in a 17-inch-wide hydrogen fuel line fitting. The fitting was replaced and did not appear to leak Wednesday night during fuel loading.

Engineers now believe Columbia actually was suffering from two different leaks in May and that only one was fixed, the one involving the 17-inch ''disconnect'' fitting that allows the shuttle's tank to be jettisoned in space. A similar leak grounded the shuttle Atlantis in July.

Data indicates the leak that grounded Columbia Wednesday involved hydrogen recirculation pumps in the shuttle's engine compartment. The pumps are used to keep liquid hydrogen flowing through critical engine systems prior to launch.

Engineers chipped insulating foam away from the pump housing Saturday and planned to remove the unit Sunday and replace it with a spare pump package.

If no additional problems crop up, Columbia will be cleared for takeoff around Sept. 17.

At the same time, engineers are working around the clock to ready Discovery for blastoff on the long-awaited Ulysses mission.

While launch officially is targeted for Oct. 5, the flight likely will be delayed a few days at least because of work to troubleshoot a leak in the shuttle's Freon cooling system.

Engineers worked Saturday to install Ulysses in Discovery's cargo bay and with that work complete, technicians will be able to focus on resolving the coolant system problem. The leak is slow - 1 percent per day - and NASA managers may elect to simply top off Discovery's coolant supplies and launch the ship on its four-day mission as is.

Ulysses is a joint project between the European Space Agency and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. The nuclear-powered probe is the first spacecraft ever built to fly over the poles of the sun.

Ulysses cost the European Space Agency some $250 million. NASA is chipping in some $500 million, which includes the cost of the shuttle launch, data processing and a $95 million three-stage solid-fuel booster system.

To accomplish its mission, Ulysses first must be fired to Jupiter so the giant planet's gravity can fling it down, out of the plane of the solar system and back toward the sun. The probe's post-Jupiter trajectory will carry it first over the sun's south pole and then the north.

Discovery's 18-day launch window is set by the positions of Earth and Jupiter and the power of Ulysses' booster rocket. If Discovery is not off the ground by Oct. 23, the flight will be delayed 13 months to allow Jupiter and Earth to return to favorable launch positions.

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SAN ANTONIO (SEPT. 8) UPI - More than 2,000 people crowded into a giant airplane hangar Saturday because there was not enough room in any church to remember the first military reservists to die while aiding the cause of Operation Desert Shield.

And when the last prayers were said for the nine dead men, Air Force officials announced yet another call-up that would press more reservists from around the country into active duty this week.

Hundreds of uniformed reservists and 315 relatives of the victims attended the memorial service for the nine Air Force reservists from Texas who were among 13 to die in the crash of a C-5A Galaxy cargo plane Aug. 28 in West Germany.

The plane was carrying supplies to U.S. troops massing in Saudi Arabia since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

The nine Texas reservists to die were members of the 433rd Military Airlift Wing, headquartered at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio.

Staff Sgt. Lorenzo Galvan Jr., of San Antonio, one of the four injured survivors, placed a single rose above each folded flag displayed above the names of his nine fellow crew members in the hangar at Kelly.

''It is with great sadness that we remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice,'' said Col. Michael Quarnaccio, commander of the 433rd, ''and we feel great pride in knowing they willingly committed themselves to the ideas that make our country great.''

More than 200 members of the 433rd, rather than wait for the call- up, had volunteered their efforts since Aug. 5, ferrying supplies and troops to the Middle East for Operation Desert Shield.

Ironically, a unit of the 433rd was pressed into active duty within 24 hours of the plane crash. Galvan, once he has recovered, will be on active

duty.

''Because of their courage ... we shall be victorious,'' the Rev. Willie McDaniel, an Air Force chaplain, told the crowd.

Many of the uniformed men and women wept. As the families of the dead walked past the crowds at the ceremony's end, some rose from their seats and soon all stood in silent tribute.

The funerals and burials were Thursday and Friday for Tech. Sgt. Daniel Perez, Tech. Sgt. Lonty Knutson, Staff Sgt. Daniel Garza, Maj. Richard Chase, Master Sgt. Rosendo Herrera, Maj. Richard Price, Staff Sgt. Edward Sheffield, Senior Master Sgt. Carpio Villarreal and Maj. John Gordon. All lived in San Antonio except Gordon, who lived near Houston in Spring, Texas.

Maj. Gen. Roger Scheer, chief of the Air Force Reserve, said following the ceremony that about 7,000 of the 10,000 reservists now working in support of Operation Desert Shield are volunteers.

Of those called into active duty, Scheer said not one of the 3,000 had asked for an exemption or a delay.

''The morale of the reservists could not be higher,'' Scheer said. ''We've said for years and years they were ready to go. But there's nothing like proving it.''

Scheer said four C-141 reserve squadrons would be pressed into active duty by Monday from Charleston Air Force Base near Charleston, N.C.; Maguire Air Force Base near Trenton, N.J.; McChord Air Force Base near Tacoma, Wash., and Travis Air Force Base near Sacramento, Calif.

Air Force investigators have yet to determine a cause of the C-5A crash and likely will not complete their probe for another month or two.

''There's no obvious reasons that have come to the surface to date,'' Scheer said.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - President Bush is in Finland for an emergency summit with Soviet President Gorbachev. It's Bush's third superpower summit in 10 months. The president said upon arrival in Helsinki that he plans to urge Gorbachev to turn up the pressure on Iraq's Saddam Hussein . Bush said the hastily arranged summit meeting comes at ''a critical time'' and the outcome could shape the world for years to come.

Kuwait's exiled leaders are pledging to support the massive deployment of U-S troops in the Persian Gulf region. Secretary of State Baker, who held talks earlier with the toppled emir of Kuwait, says the Kuwaitis have promised five BILLION dollars to help pay for the American military deployment... and to compensate other nations in the area for losses incurred because of the international embargo against Iraq, which invaded Kuwait a month ago.

Hurricane Isidore is losing strength as it churns in the open Atlantic about 980 miles northwest of the Cape Verde Islands. The hurricane's winds decreased to 90 miles an hour today, down from 100 yesterday. And forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami say additional weakening is likely. They says it's too soon to tell whether Hurricane Isidore will turn north out of harm's way, or take a westerly course toward the Caribbean Islands.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - Another setback for the beleaguered Cambodian peace talks. Cambodian resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk says he won't attend the talks in Indonesia because of illness. The announcement is the latest development in a series that have cast doubt and confusion over the talks called to discuss a U-N plan aimed at ending Cambodia's 11-year civil war. It evoked skepticism from his long-time rival, Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen, who now says he will take part in the sessions planned for tomorrow.

Nicaragua says it won't be a base of support for rebel movements in Central America. Nicaraguan Vice President Virgilio Godoy made the statement while in El Salvador yesterday to attend a regional summit of vice presidents. Godoy apparently was referring to the recent discovery of arms coming from Nicaragua and destined for leftist rebels in El Salvador. The Salvadoran government and its armed forces have accused the Sandinistas, who governed Nicaragua until recently, of sending arms to the rebels.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 10) UPI - Four Pennsylvania banks have rejected the city's request for partial backing of a $400 million note sale, which could be critical to Philadelphia's financial future as officials grapple with the prospects of a $200 million deficit this fiscal year, published reports said Saturday.

Meridian Bankcorp Inc., CoreStates Financial Corp., Mellon Bank (East) and PNC Financial Corp. refused to grant the city letters of credit to back up

to $60 million of the note issue, the Philadelphia Inquirer and Daily News said.

Only one of those banks, Meridian, would publicly confirm that it had turned down the request, a condition of a larger letter of credit the city had been seeking from a Japanese bank.

''Under the current circumstances, we cannot reconcile the associated risk with our bank's ongoing responsibilities to stockholders and other important constituencies,'' Meridian said in a statement. The Daily News said several sources told it the other banks also refused to help the city.

The city is facing a $200 million deficit this fiscal year, and Mayor Wilson Goode has proposed a $150 million tax increase and city service cuts, along with the sale of city assets including Veterans Stadium, to stop the red ink.

Hyman Grossman, a managing director of the Standard & Poor's bond- rating firm, said the development was ''discouraging'' and could mean the city could only sell a portion of the notes.

Standard & Poor's this summer downgraded the city's bond rating, which caused some of Philadelphia's problems in lining up the note sale.

Standard & Poor's placed the city on a credit watch ''with negative implications'' on Aug. 13, and warned investors it might lower the city's BBB- bond rating, the lowest of any major U.S. city, to junk-bond levels.

Moody's investors service lowered Philadelphia's bond rating from BBB to Ba, or non-investment status, on June 29.

City Finance Director Betsy Reveal has warned that if the city is unable to sell the notes, it will run out of cash in four months. That, she said, would lead to ''a legal, political and public safety nightmare.''

The city is still seeking backing for the note sale from other foreign banks. Philadelphia officials went overseas after several Wall Street banks and insurance companies refused to back the notes.

Philadelphia has routinely sold such notes annually since 1972, but this year's issue ran into trouble in the face of a $200 million city deficit and the downgraded bond rating.

The city is expected to market the notes sometime this week.

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#90251u0758 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 8) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein told President Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev Saturday on the eve of their superpower summit that it would be ''futile'' to try to reverse the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

In a six-point speech read by his spokesman on Iraqi television, Saddam reminded the leaders that Iraq did not invade the superpowers, and said Baghdad had not harmed the legitimate interests or the people of the United States or the Soviet Union.

''Foreign intervention complicates things and does not resolve them,'' said the leader of Iraq, which is facing the largest assembly of military might since World War II and food shortages from a U.N.-imposed blockade.

Typical of the messages he has issued in past weeks, Saddam invoked history, Islam and Arab nationalism and justified his invasion of the oil-rich emirate, which he contends was historically part of Iraq.

Bush and Gorbachev arrived in Helsinki Saturday for a hastily called superpower summit - the first time the two superpowers have been on the same side in a regional conflict since World War II. Bush hopes to pursuade Gorbachev to turn up the pressure on Saddam in a bid to force the Iraqi leader to withdraw his troops from Kuwait.

National security adviser Brent Scowcroft, commenting just hours before Bush and Gorbachev were scheduled to meet, said Saddam appeared to be ''maneuvering'' and ''looking for ways out of his dilemma.''

Scowcroft said isolating Saddam and increasing pressure through a trade embargo is a strategy that can probably succeed without a military clash.

''We've put together a strategy that has a good chance of success without the use of military force,'' Scowcroft told reporters.

Moscow, once a staunch ally of Baghdad, has supported U.N. resolutions that condemned Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the punitive military and economic sanctions, but has stopped short of joining a U.S.-led multinational military force in the Persian Gulf.

Saddam told Bush and Gorbachev the decisions they make in Helsinki will ''establish the humanitarian weight of your countries,'' but far from begging for mercy, the Iraqi president went on to say the reestablishment of the exiled Kuwaiti government is an impossibility.

''The attempts of those who want to reverse the situation to those before August 2, 1990, are futile,'' he said.

The Iraq leader, who has throughout the crisis repeatedly appealed to the

Arab masses to rise up against their pro-Western rulers and the U.S.-led military presence in Saudi Arabia, sought again to present a united Moslem front in an apparant warning against the use of force to defuse the crisis.

''Before each of you make any decision on Kuwait, you should remember that the Arab nation is one, even though it is now divided,'' Saddam said.

''Iraq is part of a nation of 200 million people extending from the Atlantic Ocean to the Arab Gulf. These people are all part of an Arab nation,'' he said through his spokesman. ''When confrontation takes place, the people of Iraq, whom God has chosen to be on the front line, will achieve victory.''

In an apparent acknowledgement of the potential consequences of a united U.S.-Soviet position against Iraq, Saddam said the outcome of the summit could determine whether the Soviet Union would recapture its superpower status, which he said has come under doubt.

He also said Bush's reputation and the U.S. role as superpower were at stake and warned the United States against falling ''into the abyss of war.''

Upon arriving in Finland, Bush declared: ''Here in Helsinki, President Gorbachev and I meet hopefully to strengthen our common approach to this unjustifiable act of aggression.''

Bush later said in a brief exchange with a U.S. Air Force colonel at the U.S. Embassy that Saddam would ''be stupid'' if he attacked the massive multinational force in Saudi Arabia, which numbers well over 100,000.

Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak said after a meeting with Secretary of State James Baker in Alexandria that he also wanted a united U.S.- Soviet response to Iraqi aggression, warning the superpowers they would otherwise face a ''hell of a problem'' in the area. Baker flew to Helsinki later Saturday.

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HELSINKI, FINLAND (SEPT. 8) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev said Saturday a personal meeting with George Bush was necessary at a ''crucial moment in history'' to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis.

The Soviet president arrived in Helsinki early Saturday evening for Sunday's superpower summit expected to be dominated by the conflict that began Aug. 2 with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

''Although we have been in touch through our personal representatives and

in various other ways, it is necessary to meet in order to discuss the acute crisis in the Persian Gulf and a number of other issues,'' Gorbachev said in a brief arrival statement at Helsinki's Vantaa International Airport.

In a statement after his arrival earlier in the day, Bush said that he and Gorbachev had come to Helsinki ''hopefully to strengthen our common approach to this unjustifiable act of aggression'' by Iraq.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, in a statement read on Iraqi television an hour after Gorbachev's arrival in Finland, tried to drive a wedge in the emerging U.S.-Soviet alliance against his country.

Saddam appealed directly to Gorbachev to ''remember that doubts about the place of the Soviet Union as a superpower have entered the minds of every politician for some time, especially as the United States began to assume to be the sole power in the world.''

Gorbachev, however, indicated on arrival that he had come to Helsinki to work with Bush in finding a solution to the five-week crisis in the Gulf.

''President George Bush expressed the desire for us to meet at this crucial moment in history when it is very important to compare our political approaches and to cooperate in order to protect the positive trends evolving in the world today, to make sure that they are not thwarted by any development,'' Gorbachev said.

Soviet television commentator Dmitri Biroukov said the Helsinki summit marked a turning point in U.S.-Soviet relations.

''For the first time, the leaders of the superpowers are meeting during a regional crisis,'' Biroukov told the Cable News Network. ''The spirit of such a meeting is very important.''

Gorbachev, accompanied by his wife Raisa, echoed Bush in noting the ''symbolic'' importance of meeting in Helsinki, which he said ''has seen the birth of some very important trends that are evolving today and acquiring prospects.''

Bush said earlier that Helsinki, the capital of neutral, non- aligned Finland, ''has often been a meeting place for nations seeking to advance the cause of peace.''

Gorbachev went from the airport to the Finnish Presidential Palace, where he met with President Mauno Koivisto for talks and a state dinner.

In talks over lunch earlier in the day, Bush and Koivisto agreed that U.N. Security Council sanctions against Iraq must be ''completely and strictly

implemented.''

The Soviet Union has supported five U.N. measures against Baghdad following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, including the most recent resolution allowing limited use of force to enforce a trade embargo against Baghdad.

But Moscow has refrained from joining an international naval blockade of Iraq to enfore the sanctions and has waged a diplomatic offensive to try to solve the Gulf crisis through political means.

''Taking into consideration our economic situation, any possibility of new military involvement for us is unpleasant and undesirable,'' the Soviet TV commentator Biroukov said.

Shevardnadze, who accompanied Gorbachev to Helsinki, said before his arrival that the gulf conflict would not be resolved easily.

''Neither the Soviet Union nor the United States have any ready- made formula to achieve a peaceful settlement to the Gulf crisis,'' Shevardnadze told Soviet reporters Friday as he flew from Tokyo to Moscow to end a weeklong Asia tour.

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#90251u0765 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 8) UPI - President Bush says tomorrow's summit with Soviet President Gorbachev could shape the world for years to come. Bush made his statement upon arrival today in Helsinki, Finland. The two superpower leaders will focus on presenting a united front against Iraq's aggression in the Persian Gulf.

The mother of a former Atlanta investment banker says the State Department has identified the Georgia native as the man shot Thursday by Iraqi soldiers. Ann Hoffman says her son, Miles Hoffman, was apparently shot when the soldiers tried to enter his apartment in Kuwait City. The State Department refuses to confirm her report.

Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen is skeptical of resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk's explanation for backing out of tomorrow's planned peace talks in Indonesia. Sihanouk issued a statement today saying he was too sick to attend the meeting aimed at ending Cambodia's 11-year civil war.

Federal budget constraints may force Philadelphia park officials to shut down a bit of U-S history. Cutbacks may cause authorities to close seven historic buildings in the city's Independence National Historic Park and lay off nearly 20 seasonal employees next month. Six of the park's 18 buildings were closed earlier this year.

Illinois Governor James Thompson is now the only person who can stop next Wednesday's scheduled execution of convicted killer Charles Walker. Walker refuses to participate in efforts to save his life. And a federal appeals court yesterday rejected an appeal by other death row inmates to halt the execution.

A Florida woman who claims to have contracted AIDS from her dentist during a tooth extraction says she plans to sue his estate. Kimberly Bergalis will base part of her suit on a Centers for Disease Control report that states a Florida woman apparently got AIDS from her dentist. The dentist died earlier this week of an UNdisclosed cause.

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#90251u0798 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

LAFAYETTE, NY (SEPT. 8) UPI - Authorities told residents Saturday to keep their eyes out for a roaming herd of buffalo that has frightened school children and stopped traffic on Interstate 81.

The herd, which numbers about 16, recently broke loose from fenced- in pastures on the Onondaga Indian Reservation, and stopped rush-hour traffic Friday on Interstate 81 just south of Syracuse.

''They're still loose,'' said an Onondaga County Sheriff's Department dispatcher who asked not to be identified. ''They're not bothering anyone. It's mostly just damaging lawns.''

''They're in the road a lot, but most people know they're out, so they are being pretty cautious,'' she said. ''There is not much we can do other than try to steer them in another direction. There are a lot of them.''

Sheriff John Dillon has cautioned residents and motorists in the town of LaFayette to stay away from any buffaloes they see roaming through their neighborhood because the huge animals can be unpredictable.

Residents have blamed the herd for frightening school children and doing damage to trees and lawns in the area.

Earlier this week, the animals caused more than $10,000 worth of damage at John and Dawn Krewson's tree farm and $700 worth of damage to trees on private property nearby, officials said.

Meawnhile, Dillon said members of the Onondaga Nation Council of Chiefs have assured him they are trying to head the wandering herd back to the reservation.

State Police trooper Pam Morris, who was on the scene when the herd stopped traffic on the highway, said the animals have a mind of their own

and there is ''no fence in creation'' that can keep them in a pasture if they want to leave.

The animals have yet to be blamed for any accidents, authorities said.

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#90251u0950 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 8) UPI - Soviet President Gorbachev has joined President Bush in Finland... but the two leaders don't plan on meeting until the start of their summit tomorrow. A special Soviet flight carrying Gorbachev and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze arrived in Helsinki this morning under overcast skies. Finnish President Mauno Koivisto greeted them at the airport. .

Koivisto met with Bush for 90 minutes earlier today following his arrival in Helsinki. A Finnish official says the two leaders agreed that U-N sanctions against Iraq must be ''fully and strictly implemented.'' But he adds that they did NOT discuss a possible air embargo or military strike. Koivisto is said to have raised concerns about the harmful effects of the U-N sanctions.

Environmental groups say they'll go to the 9th U-S District Court of Appeals to fight a federal judge's refusal to halt the transfer of U- S chemical weapons from West Germany to Johnston Island in the Pacific for destruction. A federal judge in Honolulu has twice rejected the groups' attempts to halt the transfer. He says the decision falls in the province of the executive and legislative branches.

Colombian officials say it'll take months to gauge the effectiveness of President Cesar Gaviria's latest action in the war with the nation's drug cartels. Gaviria seized the political initiative by announcing measures that'll allow for reduced sentences and NO extradition for traffickers who surrender to authorities. The action is aimed at taking away the cartels' justification for the violent war on the government.

Congress is facing a much more difficult agenda than it expected now that its August recess is over. The threat of a war in the Persian Gulf and the ongoing problem of a weakening economy at home has complicated things for lawmakers coming back to a list of UNfinished business. Lawmakers will have only about one month to tackle the issues before they return home to work on their re-election campaigns.

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(SEPT. 8) UPI - A Finnish official reports President Bush and Finnish President Mauno Koivisto agreed in Helsinki today that U-N sanctions

against Iraq must be ''strictly implemented.'' But the official says the two did NOT discuss military options. Later, Koivisto greeted Soviet President Gorbachev at the Helsinki airport.

A plane is expected to ferry another load of Western hostages from Iraq to Jordan today. The plane is part of a U-S plan for a chartered airlift to take some 22-hundred women and children to freedom. U-S officials will NOT say how much they are paying Iraqi Airways for use of the planes during the U-N embargo against Iraq.

The Palestine Liberation Organization said today it has crushed a renegade faction led by extremist Abu Nidal. The P- L-O said more than 24 hours of fighting in southern Lebanon left at least 50 people dead. It is the second major victory this year over Abu Nidal by followers of P-L-O chief Yasser Arafat .

With the August recess over... Congress has only one month before lawmakers return home for election campaigns. And with the extra problems caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait... it is doubtful legislators can finish their work. The time crunch may force Congress to return for a post-election ''lame-duck'' session.

Four Philadelphia banks have reportedly turned down the city's request for backing of a critical 400-Million-dollar note sale. One of the banks stated it canNOT justify the risk. The city finance director has warned the city will run out of cash in four months if it canNOT sell the notes.

Atmospheric winds cut down the strength of Hurricane Isadore today. The winds sheared off the top of Isadore... reducing it to a minimal hurricane with top winds of 75 miles per hour. The storm is 935 miles northwest of the Cape Verde Islands in the open Atlantic... and forecasters think it will continue to weaken.

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#90251u1258 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 8) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein warned President Bush and Soviet President Gorbachev today it will be ''futile'' to try to reverse the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait. In a speech read by his spokesman on Iraqi television... Saddam reminded the leaders that Iraq has NOT invaded the superpowers.

President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev both put great importance on their summit meeting upon arrival today in Helsinki, Finland. Bush says now is a time when actions can shape the world ''for years to come...'' while Gorbachev says the summit comes ''at a crucial moment in history.''

Riot police in South Korea's second largest city clashed today with more than three-thousand students and dissidents following a huge rally. The crowd was leaving an anti-government rally at a university in Pusan when they were met by riot police at the school's gate. Students hurled gasoline bombs and rocks at police who countered with tear gas. There were NO immediate reports of injuries.

West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher in Bonn today said ''the price for German reunification'' is a large sum to be paid to the Soviet Union to withdraw its troops. West Germany has agreed to pay a substantial amount... but NOT as much as the Soviet request for more than six-BILLION dollars.

Engineers took their first direct step today toward fixing the latest fuel leak on the shuttle Columbia. Workers at Cape Canaveral, Florida, removed foam insulation in preparation for replacing leaking fuel pumps in the shuttle's engine room. Columbia's mission has been repeatedly delayed and is now set for September 17th.

Three hemophiliac brothers with the AIDS virus have lost their legal battle against two pharmaceutical companies they say made the blood products that infected them. A federal judge in Tampa yesterday cleared the companies of negligence because doctors could NOT specify which product infected the boys.

Workers at a Philadelphia mail warehouse were evacuated for several hours today after finding a box of World War One-era grenades in the mail. Investigators could NOT tell if the grenades were live... so they detonated them withOUT injury. Officials are trying to identify the sender in France and the recipient in Chambersburg, Pennsyvlania.

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST:

FOOTBALL

Lawrence Taylor and Leonard Marshall were activated by the New York Giants who waived wide receiver Stacy Robinson and placed rookie defensive end Clint James on injured reserve to make room on the roster. Taylor and Marshall, long training camp holdouts who missed the exhibition season, were activated in time to face Philadelphia in Sunday's season opener. ... The Chicago Bears activated defensive tackle Steve McMichael and placed rookie defensive tackle Terry Price on the injured reserve list. McMichael an 11-year veteran, reported Aug. 28 after a contract dispute and will play Sunday against Seattle. ... The Pittsurgh Steelers have come to terms with tight end Eric Green, their first-round draft pick, the Pittsburgh

Post-Gazette reported. Green agreed to a four-year contract worth $2.36 million and will sign his contract by Monday, the newspaper said. ... The Green Bay Packers activated quarterback Don Majkowski for Sunday's home opener against the Los Angeles Rams. Majkowski, who held out 45-days before signing a one- year contract for $1.5 million, will dress for the game but Coach Lindy Infante has already announced that quarterback Anthony Dilweg will start.

GAMES

The Olympic Council of Asia's executive bureau recommended unanimously to ban Iraq from the Asian Games and set a vote of the OCA's 38 members on Sept. 20, the eve of the opening ceremonies. A simple majority vote would exclude Iraq from the quadrennial Asian Games, China's first major international sporting event, and presumably avert an embarrassing boycott of the games at Bejing.

GOLF

Englishman Gordon J. Brand shot a 5-under-65 in the third round to take a one-stroke lead over three golfers at the $775,000 European Open at Sunningdale, England. Brand enters the final round at 10-under-par 200, one stroke ahead of second-round leader Ian Woosnam, Australian Peter Senior and Spaniard Jose Maria Canizares. Masters and British Open champion Nick Faldo stayed on the leaders' tails with a 64 to stand at 202.

HOCKEY

Mark Messier scored a goal and assisted on the other to lift the NHL champion Edmonton Oilers to a 2-0 victory over German hockey champion Dusseldorfer in the final game of the inaugural Epson Cup tournament. Messier scored in the second period and set up Chris Joseph in the third, while goaltenders Ed Reddick and Mike Greenlay combined for the shutout. The Oilers finished second in the tournament with a 1-1 record, behind the St. Louis Blues.

TRACK AND FIELD

Sprinters Leroy Burrell and Merlene Ottey won the men's and women's 1990 Mobil Grand Prix overall points championships after winning their respective races Friday night in the season finale at Athens, Greece. Burrell, a 23-year-old from the United States, won his eight season 100 meter races. Ottey, a 30-year-old Jamaican, run under 22 seconds seven times, including a 21.88 to win in Athens. ...

Defending champion Peter Elliott of Great Britain will run in the 10th annual Mercedes Mile on Fifth Avenue in New York Sept. 22. Elliott also won the race in 1987.

WRESTLING

Bruce Baumgartner of Cambridge Springs, Pa., and Chris Campbell of Fayetteville, N.Y., advanced to the finals of the World Championships of Freestyle Wrestling at Tokyo. Heavyweight Baumgartner, the 1984 Olympic and 1986 world champion, will wrestle David Gobedjishvili of the Soviet Union. Campbell, 198 pounds, is wrestling his first world championships since winning the title at 180.5 pounds in 1981. Also, John Smith of Stillwater, Okla., advanced to the 136.5-pound semifinals and is looking to become the first American to win four world level titles. He won the 1988 Olympics.

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Albuquerque	pc	85	59	.26
Anchorage	rn	52	47	.38
Asheville	pc	86	65	.21
Atlanta	pc	96	74	....
Baltimore	sh	75	67	....
Billings	sy	90	64	....
Birmingham	pc	98	71	....
Bismarck	pc	90	53	....
Boston	pc	64	52	....
Brownsville	pc	92	73	....
Buffalo	sh	71	48	....
Burlington Vt.	sy	64	39	....
Charleston S.C.	pc	87	81	....
Charlotte	pc	95	73	.90
Chicago	pc	78	65	....
Cincinnati	ts	75	69	.04
Cleveland	rn	77	58	....
Columbus Ohio	ts	79	66	....
Dallas	pc	93	76	.06
Denver	pc	88	54	....
Des Moines	sy	83	63	.30
Detroit	cy	75	54	....
Duluth	pc	72	46	....
El Paso	sy	92	68	....
Evansville	pc	82	71	.02
Fargo	pc	87	59	....
Hartford	pc	70	50	....
Honolulu	sy	89	74	.04
Houston	pc	95	73	....

Indianapolis pc	74	66	....
Jackson Miss. pc	97	70	....
Jacksonville pc	98	73	....
Kansas City sy	86	67	....
Las Vegas sy	106	74	....
Little Rock pc	81	70	.35
Los Angeles f	94	72	....
Louisville cy	83	71	.08
Memphis pc	83	73	.13
Miami Beach sy	87	82	....
Milwaukee pc	75	65	....
Minneapolis pc	78	61	....
Nashville pc	91	71	.03
New Orleans sy	93	72	....
New York cy	69	57	....
Oklahoma City sy	93	68	....
Omaha pc	87	60	....
Orlando pc	95	73	....
Philadelphia rn	75	63	....
Phoenix sy	108	84	....
Pittsburgh rn	79	60	....
Portland Me. sy	67	47	....
Portland Ore. pc	76	64	....
Providence pc	67	53	....
Richmond sh	76	70	....
St. Louis pc	82	72	.01
Salt Lake City f	92	60	....
San Antonio pc	94	75	....
San Diego f	82	69	....
San Francisco sy	73	57	....
San Juan sy	93	76	....
Seattle pc	69	60	....
Spokane f	87	57	....
Tampa pc	95	72	....
Washington sh	77	69	....
Wichita vh	95	64	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke

sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
vh-very hot
w-windy

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#90251u1480 09/08/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 8) UPI - Soviet President Gorbachev and President Bush arrived in Helsinki, Finland, today... and placed great emphasis on the importance of their meeting tomorrow. The Soviet leader says the summit is needed to address what he calls an ''acute crisis in the Persian Gulf''... while Bush says ''much is at stake'' in the talks. Bush says the international community can establish the most peaceful and stable international order ever. .

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today warned Presidents Bush and Gorbachev that Moslems of the world would react as one against any attack on Iraq. In a television address by his spokesman, Saddam also said there are ''doubts about the place of the Soviet Union as a superpower'' as the United States assumes to be the top power in the world.

Authorities at California's Edwards Air Force Base say they have recovered the body of a man killed during yesterday's explosion of a test rocket booster. The victim was identified as 27-year-old civilian employee Alan Quimby. He apparently was working at the base of a crane when it dropped the booster that exploded... injuring nine people. Quimby's wife is expecting the couple's first child.

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#90251u1485 09/08/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 8) UPI - Environmentalists and scientists at an international conference today issued stinging criticism of Baltic Sea countries for polluting the sea to the brink of disaster. The conference in East Berlin accused governments of approving studies and bureaucracies rather than taking concrete steps to reduce pollution. Delegates expressed particular concern about pollution from agriculture, tourism, synthetics and radioactive waste.

Pope John Paul today called for the developed world to pay a fair price for agricultural products from Africa. In a radio message broadcast from the central African country of Rwanda, the pontiff also told the peasants it is first up to them to be the agents of their own development. Rwanda is almost entirely at the mercy of international markets for its few products. Many rural residents eat only once every two or three days.

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#90251u1575 09/08/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 8) UPI - Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein declared today that any efforts to dislodge Iraqi forces from Kuwait would be in vain. Speaking through a spokesman on Iraqi television, Saddam told Presidents Bush and Gorbachev on the eve of their Helsinki mini- summit that he would NOT tolerate foreign intervention in the Persian Gulf. Saddam also goaded Moscow by expressing doubts of the Kremlin's stature in light of Washington assuming the role of... quote... ''the sole power in the world.''

President Bush arrived in Finland today with the promise of ''much to gain'' if he can find common ground with Soviet President Gorbachev to get Iraq out of Kuwait. Gorbachev also flew to Helsinki for tomorrow's summit... saying it is ''very important'' he and Bush cooperate. Bush met with Finnish President Mauno Koivisto... and the two stressed that the U-N embargo against Iraq must be ''strictly implemented.''

Heavy fighting continued today in Lebanon as the Palestine Liberation Organization declared victory over a P-L-O offshoot aligned with extremist Abu Nidal. The mainline P-L-O group affiliated with Yasser Arafat says its forces scored the second victory of the year against Nidal's Fatah Revolutionary Council. More than 30 hours of fighting in southern Lebanon has left at least 60 people dead.

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#90251u1578 09/08/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 8) UPI - Four Pennsylvania banks reportedly have turned down Philadelphia's request to back a 400-Million-dollar note sale. A Japanese bank requires the local backing as a condition of its larger letter of credit. An official for Standard & Poor's... which downgraded the city's bond- rating this summer... said the development may mean the city could only sell a portion of the notes. Philadelphia is due to run out of cash in four months.

Officials in India today said Moslem militants fired rockets at military camps in Kashmir as separatist violence in the region left at least nine people dead. The government said rockets fired last night near Srinagar injured four military personnel. Moslems seeking to separate Kashmir from India have changed tactics in recent weeks... aiming at military targets instead of civilians.

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#90251u1759 09/08/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 8) UPI - The second International Baltic Sea Conference concluded

today in East Berlin with a call to nations on the Baltic to pursue environmental practices that will decrease pollution in the body of water. As it is, scientists say the Baltic is close to environmental collapse.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami says Hurricane Isidore has dropped to tropical storm strength and is likely to continue weakening. Atmospheric winds sheared the top off Isidore, causing its previous 100-mile-an-hour winds to drop to about 65 miles an hour.

The Kennedy clan gathered in Cape Cod today as the daughter of Senator Edward Kennedy exchanged marital vows with a 33-year-old architect. 30-year-old Kara, the senator's only daughter, was resplendent as she marched down the aisle at Our Lady of Victory Church in Centerville, Massachussetts.

Prince Charles kept a stiff upper lip and an arm to match as he checked out of a British hospital today. Charles was admitted to the facility last week to repair his broken right arm. The prince sustained the injury in June during a polo match.

America will receive its new beauty queen this evening as the 64th Miss America pageant concludes in Atlantic City. As in times gone by, the winner will be greeted by Bert Parks crooning ''There She Is.'' This year's contest was also the target of self-proclaimed civil rights activist Al Sharpton, who threatened to disrupt the proceedings.

Postal officials are trying to trace the person who mailed a crate of World War One-era grenades through the mail. A crate containing the devices were discovered today at a bulk mail processing center in Philadelphia. The facility was emptied and the material was removed and detonated.

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#90251u1880 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 8) UPI - Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein offered Presidents Bush and Gorbachev food for thought on the eve of their mini-summit in Finland. Through a television spokesman, Saddam said the superpowers would do well to keep out of the Persian Gulf. In his words- ''Foreign intervention complicates things and does NOT resolve them.'' The U-S delegation responded to Saddam's statement as an attempt to find a way out of his ''dilemma.''

Officials say Philippine soldiers have prevented rebel soldiers from mounting a raid on a military hospital armory. An official said the military learned of the raid last month and was ready when rebels arrived at the hospital outside Manila. One soldier was wounded in a gunfight with the rebels. The military said it seized the rebels' bus and arrested four

guerrillas.

Storms rolled across the Plains and parts of the South today. Showers and thunderstorms spread from Texas through Arkansas and Missouri to Kentucky. The rains brought relief to northern Texas... where temperatures had hovered at or above the 100-degree mark for nearly a week. A cold front settled in the Northeast... and sunny weather prevailed across much of the rest of the country.

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#90251u1881 09/08/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 8) UPI - Environmental groups say they will appeal yesterday's decision by a federal judge in Honolulu to allow the shipment of U-S chemical weapons from West Germany to a Pacific island for destruction. The judge ruled the issue has been decided by the executive and legislative branches and that the Defense Department appears to have complied with applicable environmental safety laws.

A published report in a Florida newspaper indicates the key suspect in the murders of five college students in Gainesville may have fingered himself as the murderer. Sources close to the investigation say Edward Humphrey... an 18-year-old suspect in the slayings... named a killer in the first two murders. The sources say officials think the name corresponds with one of the multiple personalities Humphrey has exhibited.

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#90252d5690 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 9) - An Iraqi Airways plane with 170 British women and children aboard is expected to arrive at London's Gatwick airport at 9.30 (2030 GMT) Sunday, the Foreign Office said.

The Boeing 747, scheduled to leave Baghdad early Sunday morning, is believed to have other foreign nationals aboard, but a Foreign Office spokesman was unable to give more details.

An Iraqi Airways spokesman said some Iraqi citizens living in Great Britain are expected to board the plane for its return to Baghdad.

The flight will be the first by an Iraqi Airways plane to London since the Iraqi government announced it was no longer flying to Amman because of congestion at the Jordanian airport.

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#90252d5710 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 9) - Jordan's Foreign Minister Marwan Kassem said Sunday

Amman would continue to receive Iraqi oil despite U.N. sanctions against Baghdad, as the deliveries represented long-standing debt payments.

Kassem, in an interview with Agence France-Presse, also urged the international community and the Arab world to find a common solution to the Gulf crisis that would avoid a disastrous conflict in the region.

He said Jordan "supported all U.N. Security Council resolutions on the Gulf conflict" but would continue to exclude its imports of Iraqi oil from the trade embargo ordered by the United Nations.

"We will continue to take in Iraqi oil until we find an alternative solution that provides us the same benefits, as we receive the oil at preferential rates under a financial arrangement covering several years," he said.

Baghdad is using oil exports to help pay back a 400 million dollar debt to Jordan, which depends on Iraq for 90 per cent of its oil needs.

Jordan has criticized the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait but has distanced itself from the decision by the Arab League and the West to send forces to the Gulf.

The influx of hundreds of thousands of refugees from Iraq and Kuwait has severely strained its economic resources, already threatened by the potential effects of the embargo on Iraq, its largest trade partner.

Kassem said it was "essential for the Arab world and the international community to each bring its contribution to a solution" that could not be imposed "from outside the region."

Speaking as U.S. and Soviet leaders met in Helsinki, the Jordanian minister said Amman was "closely studying the new Soviet ideas contained in Moscow's call for an international conference to end the Gulf crisis."

The Soviet Union Tuesday made a new call for an international Middle East peace conference that would cover the Gulf crisis as well as the Palestinian issue. But the United States and Israel have not backed the idea.

"It is difficult for a solution to work if it is imposed by one party without consideration of the need to coordinate with and support the other party, "Kassem said, adding that an "adequate formula has to be found."

He said Jordan wanted a peaceful solution to the crisis, otherwise "nobody would win, and certainly not the Arabs."

Jordan's King Hussein made a whirlwind tour of 10 North African and

European countries in late August and early September to try to defuse the Gulf tension.

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#90252d5730 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 9) - With the Gulf crisis adding one billion dollars to its balance of payments burden, Pakistan may follow Egypt's example and ask the United States to write off its loans, analysts said Sunday.

Pakistan's foreign debt now stands at 15 billion dollars with annual repayments of nearly three billion dollars to donor nations and international agencies.

The United States, a major aid donor, has committed 7.20 billion dollars in loans and grants to Pakistan in two packages of economic assistance and military sales.

The two five-year packages amounted to 3.2 billion dollars in 1982-87 and 4.02 billion dollars for the current 1988-93 period of which 2.69 billion dollars were grants and the rest in soft loans.

The United States has written off its seven-billion-dollar loan to Egypt as a relief for the current financial burden caused by the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait, its deployment of troops as part of the multinational force in Saudi Arabia and the United Nations-backed blockade of Iraq.

Pakistan has also sent 5,000 troops to Saudi Arabia.

Apart from the debt write-off proposal, Pakistani authorities were also trying to maximise exports to reduce the balance of payments deficit, the analysts said.

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#90252d5770 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 9) - About 1,000 people demonstrated here Sunday in opposition to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, police said.

Kuwait's ambassador to Britain, Gazi al-Rayes, called for the unity of all Kuwaitis and said, "God willing, we are going to hear good news today from the summit" in Helsinki.

The demonstrators, responding to a call by the Free Kuwait Campaign, were prevented by the police from marching to the Iraqi embassy, located 200 meters (yards) from the Kuwaiti Embassy.

#90252d5860 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 9) - After braving danger to flee Iraqi troops and being crammed into camps in Jordan often short of food and water, the mostly Asian refugees from Kuwait and Iraq have one remaining challenge: Amman airport.

The departures hall at Queen Alia international airport and its parking lot have been been transformed into a bustling campground as governments and aid groups step up efforts to airlift the thousands of refugees home.

The check-in desks are tense areas of confrontation as police brutally push back the crowds, sending women and children tumbling over the enormous bags, badly packaged boxes and mattresses that make up their worldly possessions.

The departures zone was stretched to full capacity over the weekend as 12 special Air India flights and five set up by the Geneva-based International Organization of Migration (IOM) were added to the airport's daily traffic.

The final ordeal for the refugees, mostly Indians, Pakistanis, Bangladeshis and Sri Lankans, begins some 12 hours before their flight, as embassies and aid groups organise their transport from transit camps in and around Amman.

There was chaos Saturday night at the International Fair centre as 20,000 Asians housed there flocked under loudspeakers to hear whether they would be on 21 buses driving 530 Indians and 447 Bangladeshis to the airport.

As the monotonous voice listed the names, the lucky ones rushed around grabbing mountains of baggage, even empty bottles, anxious not to miss the bus, while those forced to remain in the makeshift camp hung their heads.

Jordanian soldiers twirled their belts to dissuade any violent outbreak of anger and forced the chosen passengers to line up outside the buses, as they had hours earlier to receive their ration of bread and water.

Once they arrived at the airport, the Bangladeshis, due to fly to Dhaka on a Soviet Antonov plane chartered by the IOM, were forced to stay in the buses for hours waiting for space in the packed parking lot and departure hall.

The Air India passengers were asked to wait outside. Women in saris carried their children on interminable walks around the parking lot while others covered themselves with blankets to sleep.

"Here, I already feel much better," said George Rajan, a 50-year-old Indian confident that eventually he would be called for his flight home.

India is staging a massive airlift to bring home its nationals stranded in Jordan, bringing 11 civilian and military aircraft into service to shuttle around the clock between Amman and Bombay, either directly or through Dubai.

Air India officials in Dubai, where Indians were also to arrive by merchant ship from Kuwait, said the flights were to pick up more than 3,500 Indians a day starting at the weekend in a bid to repatriate 20,000 Indians by Thursday.

One of the planes operating from Amman is an Ilyushin-62 chartered from the Soviet airline Aeroflot. India is also using European Airbuses grounded since a crash in February as well as Soviet-made Ilyushin-76 Indian military aircraft.

The IOM, which has organized 23 flights to Bangladesh and Sri Lanka since last Monday, has a budget of 30 million dollars for the operation backed by aid from the United Nations and European Economic Community.

The group plans as many as 99 more flights over the next three weeks.

Pakistan and the Philippines have also organised special evacuation flights,
often using aircraft diverted from scheduled connections elsewhere.

The airlift has slowly begun to reduce the refugee population in Jordan, despite the continuing influx of an average of 15,000 people a day via the Ruweishid crossing on the Iraqi-Jordanian border.

But according to unconfirmed Amman press reports, another 250,000 people are waiting on the Iraqi side of the border for Baghdad's authorization to cross into Jordan.

Crown Prince Hassan ibn Talal has warned that Jordan may so far have only experienced the "tip of the iceberg".

Officials said some 80,000 refugees were still in Jordan, 50,000 of them on the border, compared to 105,000 in the middle of last week. A total of 605,000 people are known to have fled to Jordan since the Iraqi invasion on Aug. 2.

More than 14,000 refugees have been airlifted since Thursday from Queen Alia airport, as well as from a once defunct airstrip on the outskirts of Amman and the airport in the Red Sea port of Aqaba, aviation sources said.

The repatriation of Arab refugees has been organised mainly by sea from Aqaba. More than 200,000 Egyptians who worked in Iraq or Kuwait have returned home since Iraq invaded Kuwait. Some 15,000 Yemenis have also been

repatriated.

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#90252d6000 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 9) - Japan, aware that its cheque book diplomacy in the Gulf crisis has been badly received abroad, now appears willing to go beyond giving only financial aid to the multinational force there.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, who recently met here with U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady, made clear his intention to send medical and technical personnel to the Gulf.

"In the days when Japan was still in the process of rebuilding its war-battered economy, financial contribution alone may have been enough," he told a seminar of his ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) Saturday.

"But now Japan is one of the seven most indutrialised democracies and must fulfill its international responsibility," he added.

Government sources said Mr. Kaifu hopes a law allowing Japanese military and civil personnel to take part in United Nations peacekeeping missions will be drafted by the time he visits New York at the end of the month for a U.N. conference on childhood.

Kaifu is also well aware that Washington feels that Japan has not contributed enough towards finding a peaceful solution to the crisis in the Gulf, from which Tokyo gets 71 per cent of its oil.

U.S. Ambassador to Japan Michael Armacost told an LDP meeting Sunday that "we hope you will find it in your interest to make a contribution that is consistent with the power you represent."

Armacost last month asked Japan to transport U.S. troops and military equipment and to deploy minesweepers in the Gulf, a request Kaifu ignored when he announced Aug. 29 that Japanese civil ships and planes chartered by the government would carry essential supplies to the Gulf.

Tokyo also said it would provide one billion dollars towards the cost of the multinational force deployed in Saudi Arabia, together with 22 million dollars to help refugees who fled Kuwait following Iraq's August 2 invasion and are now stranded in Jordanian camps.

Added to this are 784 Toyota and Mitsubishi four-wheel drive vehicles which

have been sent to Saudi Arabia.

But during his talks late Friday with Kaifu, Brady asked Japan for two billion dollars.

He also insisted that Japan provide emergency aide to Gulf countries most affected by the blockade on Iraq -- namely Turkey, Egypt, Jordan -- and Eastern European countries whose economies have been shaken even more by the Gulf crisis.

"His expectations towards Japan were quite high," said Yukio Okamoto, a senior foreign ministry official, of Brady's requests.

Kaifu is also under pressure from his party, as some LDP leaders favour tougher action in the Gulf and revising Japan's constitution, which is generally interpreted as forbidding the country to send troops abroad.

"The constitution was made by the Americans so we are free to correct it," former deputy prime minister Shin Kanemaru said recently in reference to Article 9 of the constitution, which states that "Japan renounces war and the threat or use of force as a means of settling international disputes."

Without going so far, LDP secretary general, Ichiro Ozawa, said Saturday that the post-World War II U.S.-drafted constitution did not prevent Japan from sending troops if they were part of a U.N. peace effort.

The Gulf crisis and various interpretations of the constitution that have been put forward as a result should mean that sooner or later the Diet parliament will have to deal with the question of how to use Japan's self-defence forces during an international crisis.

The Yomiuri newspaper commented recently: "Article 9 should not be used by Japan as an excuse to avoid doing what it should do as part of the international community."

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#90252d6020 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT. 9) - Strategic problems in the Gulf are likely to remain for years to come and will require a home-grown military coalition, regional analysts and U.S. officials have said.

The idea, recently floated by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker during Congressional testimony, is not new but must take the current situation into account, they said.

"It can't take the form of a purely American presence," said a senior Congressional Middle East expert in a telephone interview from Washington.

"The pact would have to come under Arab leadership."

He was referring to a security structure Baker proposed for the Gulf that would be fashioned after NATO but from which the secretary backed down the following day when critics baulked at the prospect of a long-term military commitment in the region.

"The problem is that nobody can dictate military plans on reality," the congressional source, who declined to be identified, said.

The concern comes from a massive military build-up in the Gulf, spearheaded by Washington and triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Drawing on the North Atlantic Treaty Organization example, Baker said the Western alliance had succeeded in preventing nuclear war and that a Gulf arrangement was needed to keep Iraq from using nuclear weapons.

"It was extremely important for the secretary to raise the question of what the region would look like in the post-crisis era: the end game," explained Thomas L. McNaugher, a senior Middle East fellow at the Washington-based Brookings Institution.

The ongoing debate, he said, was that even if the Gulf crisis were resolved diplomatically, the feeling among U.S. policymakers is that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would remain a serious threat to his neighbors and beyond.

"The region would still be inherently unstable," he said. "The need for the security arrangement is to rectify the imbalance."

If such a pact materializes it come would almost a decade after the creation of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), which was designed to protect countries in the region from an Iranian threat after the Iran-Iraq war erupted.

"It's purely for politicians," said a military anlalyst with intimate knowledge of the region about the GCC. "It has no effective military capabilities."

The GCC established in May 1981 to group Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Bahrain, Oman and Qatar has relied on limited resources and the inexperienced military forces of its members.

"Kuwait and the UAE are particularly vulnerable to pressures that force them to distance themselves from the United States," wrote U.S. military expert Anthony H. Cordesman in 1984.

Since the current crisis began, the UAE, Saudi Arabia, Oman and Bahrain have either received foreign troops or offered military facilities to the United States, Britain and France.

Analysts acknowledge that coordinating the multinational forces deployed to protect the Gulf states can be a formidable task.

"If the U.S. president decides military action is necessary, we must recognize that political support is needed from all," said McNaugher. "It can't be a unilateral action."

Analysts have dismissed suggestions that a U.S.-prompted Arab military alliance could resemble the Baghdad Pact of 1955, later renamed Central Treaty Organization (CENTO), which Britain devised to maintain an Arab-Western relationship after such ties were adversely affected by the creation of Israel in 1948.

CENTO was established to check communism and the explosion of nationalism under former Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser, argued the congressional source.

Before its demise in 1979, CENTO counted Iraq, Turkey, Pakistan and Iran as its members.

"If there's any force that we should continue worrying about, it's Islamic fundamentalism," said McNaugher, adding that it was a growing source of unification in the Arab world.

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#90252d6200 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (SEPT. 9) - Cambodia's warring factions on Sunday opened talks here aimed at ending the 12-year-old war in the southeast Asian country amid signs that an agreement may be in the offing.

Before talks began, the Phnom Penh government and its arch enemy, the Khmer Rouge, military muscle of the opposition guerrilla coalition, said they were confident a settlement could be reached.

The talks, co-chaired by Indonesia and France, are to focus on proposals by the world's major powers to end the war between Phnom Penh's Vietnam-installed government and the guerrilla alliance aided by China and the United States.

The United States on Sunday also held its first meeting with the Phnom Penh government since it announced a few days ago a decision to open direct contacts with the regime set up in January 1979 after Vietnam's invasion of Cambodia.

Shortly after the talks opened, John Monjo, the U.S. ambassador here, had a 45-minute meeting with Hun Sen, Phnom Penh's prime minister and the leader of his government's delegation in the Indonesian capital.

The meeting was at the embassy's request, Phnom Penh officials said.

Hun Sen told reporters that the discussion showed that the United States and his government had "the same intentions and the same understanding" regarding a Cambodian settlement.

The United States has no relations with Vietnam or Phnom Penh and gives non-lethal aid to non-communist guerrillas allied to the Beijing-backed Khmer Rouge to fight the Cambodian government.

The U.S. decision last week to engage in a dialogue with Phnom Penh, followed its announcement in July to withdraw diplomatic support from the guerrilla coalition because of the presence of the Khmer Rouge.

The Khmer Rouge are blamed for the deaths of hundreds of thousands during their rule of Cambodia between 1975 and 1979.

The U.S. move is viewed as an attempt to pressure the guerrillas to move toward a settlement.

In a parallel announcement, the Soviet Union, Vietnam's and Phnom Penh's chief ally, said it was willing to open a dialogue with former Cambodian monarch Prince Norodom Sihanouk, the coalition's nominal head and the leader of one of two non-communist leaders allied to the Khmer Rouge.

According to diplomats monitoring the talks, the Khmer Rouge are also expected to show flexibility as a result of pressure from China.

Before the opening of the talks here, Hun Sen said he was "95 percent confident that the meeting will reach agreement", and Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Samphan said that peace was "closer than ever with the documents of the Perm Five."

He was referring to proposals put together by the five United Nations Security council permanent members -- Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the United States -- giving the U.N. a major role in running Cambodia until elections are held.

According to the U.N. blueprint, a Supreme National Council (SNC) is to be

formed with representatives of all Cambodian factions. It will then delegate wide executive powers to the United Nations to administer Cambodia until polls are held.

The Khmer Rouge and their allies have expressed formal support for the U.N. peace plan. According to sources familiar with pre-conference discussions, there were signs Phnom Penh now supported the plan, despite earlier reservations.

Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas told reporters he was "encouraged by the fact that all four factions have indicated they can accept the Perm Five documents as the basis for settling the Cambodian conflict as well as the framework which all of us will now work together to develop comprehensively."

A spokesman for the French delegation also said the factions had accepted the documents "in their entirety as the basis for working towards a comprehensive settlement.

"We think this in itself is a major breakthrough," the French spokesman said.

Both France and Indonesia presided over a failed international conference on Cambodia in Paris last year.

In opening statements at the talks, Alatas and the leader of the French delegation, junior Minister for Foreign Affairs Edwige Avice, both told the Cambodian factions that it was imperative that they accept the U.N. plan because conditions had never been more conducive to a settlement.

Prince Sihanouk, who is still Cambodia's internationally best-respected leader, has decided to stay away from the meeting, citing health reasons.

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#90252d6570 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 9) - Western governments should seek a solution to the Palestinian question once Iraqi troops have withdrawn from Kuwait, British Foreign Office Minister William Waldegrave said here Sunday.

"We cannot just go back to pretending that nothing needs to be done about the Palestinian problem," Waldegrave told the private television channel ITV in an interview.

The minister said that Washington should pressure Israel to settle the issue. "It seems to me that this is one of the things that contributes to the underlying bitterness in the region," he said.

"Look, if we do not solve this problem -- and that means potentially explaining to our Israeli friends rather more clearly than we have in the past -- then we are going to have American boys out in the desert again and again," Waldegrave predicted.

"I think the American government has been through a sea change on this issue," he added.

Before Iraq declared Kuwait a province, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein linked the withdrawal of the soldiers that invaded the emirate on Aug. 2 to the implementation of all United Nations Security Council resolutions on the Middle East.

This would imply that Israel should withdraw from the occupied Arab territories as well as seeing an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait. Both moves have been demanded by the security council.

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#90252d6600 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (SEPT. 9) - A cargo ship left port here Sunday for India carrying 538 Indian passengers who had fled Kuwait and were returning home, official sources said.

The passengers had flown here from the Jordanian capital Amman aboard chartered Air India flights and later boarded the Indian-flagged Tupi Sultan.

A first group of 722 Indians, evacuated directly to Dubai from Kuwait aboard the cargo vessel Safeer, were flown home on special Air India flights on Friday and Saturday.

Shipping sources here said two other Indian vessels, including the Akbar, were to sail for Kuwait in the next few days to continue the repatriation of some 100,000 Indians trapped in the emirate since its Aug. 2 invasion by Iraq.

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#90252d6760 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (SEPT. 9) - U.S. President George Bush said Sunday that he had accepted an invitation from Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to visit the Soviet Union shortly.

Speaking to reporters after a joint news conference in the Finnish capital after a five-hour summit with Gorbachev focusing on the Gulf crisis, Bush said the date had not been fixed, but the visit could take place at t end of this year or early next year.

Both powers plan to sign a treaty on U.S. and Soviet strategic arms reductions by the end of this year. Bush's visit had been agreed in principle at the Washington summit in June.

Concerning a possible visit to Berlin for Oct. 3 German unity ceremonies, Gorbachev said he was "in the process of making a decision".

According to the White House, no decision has been taken on whether Bush would travel to Berlin.

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#90252d7520 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (SEPT. 9) - As Iraq sought supplies from its longtime enemy Iran, U.S. President George Bush and his Soviet counterpart Mikhail Gorbachev agreed food could enter Iraq provided this was strictly monitored by international agencies.

At a summit in the Finnish capital, the two superpower leaders said in a joint statement they preferred resolving the Gulf crisis peacefully, but were united against Iraq's aggression.

''If the current steps fail to end it, we are prepared to consider additional ones consistent with the U.N. charter. We must demonstrate beyond any doubt that aggression cannot and will not pay,'' they said. Both men declined to say what steps they meant.

Although the size of Iraq's food stocks is a secret, Baghdad has asserted U.N. trade sanctions will lead to the starvation of its children, and has demanded that foreign nations feed their own expatriates in Iraq and Kuwait.

Pakistan agreed to this Sunday, saying it would send food and medicine for an estimated 50,000 Pakistani nationals in Kuwait.

Iraq's foreign minister, Tariq Aziz, had two and a half hours of talks with Teheran on peace arrangements to end their 1980-1988 war. He was expected to ask for food deliveries across the border. The Teheran press has suggested Iran will ''study'' this.

The superpowers said in their joint statement that the U.N. Security Council sanctions permitted food imports to Iraq and Kuwait ''in humanitarian circumstances''.

''The sanctions committee will make recommendations to the Security Council on what would constitute humanitarian circumstances,'' their statement said. ''Imports must be strictly monitored be the appropriate international

agencies.''

Special priority would be given to children in Iraq and Kuwait.

Bush told reporters this was an exception and was not meant to develop into a ''hole in the embargo''.

The two presidents had seven hours of talks, mainly on the Gulf crisis. Bush said ''there may be a difference'' between himself and Gorbachev regarding a possible military option if sanctions fail.

Bush rejected linking the Gulf crisis to a settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict. But Gorbachev said: ''There is a connection here.'' Their joint statement spoke of resolving remaining Middle East conflicts ''at the proper time'' and proposed regional security structures be set up once the Gulf crisis was over.

Meanwhile in Brussels, diplomatic sources said the European Community will provide about two billion dollars of aid for Jordan, Egypt and Turkey for their backing of U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

The French government announced it was boosting its military presence in the Gulf by sending six combat and reconnaissance helicopters and about 100 troops to Saudi Arabia.

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#90252d7550 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 9) - For 446 haggard refugees fleeing Iraq and Kuwait, the ordeal was almost over. Sitting cross-legged or curled up on their foam mattresses, they clustered beneath the mammoth fuselage of the Antonov 124 that was about to fly them home to Bangladesh Sunday.

They had been waiting at a transit camp at the international fairgrounds in the Jordanian capital and were finally summoned Saturday night to the airport.

"I've felt better ever since my name was called," said 30-year-old Mohammad Khairiul, a housepainter who arrived in Jordan on Aug. 25 after six years in Kuwait.

Delighted to be going home, he was nonetheless anxious about his future. "All my family is depending on me. I have four brothers and four sisters. Whatever I can earn in Bangladesh will not be enough. Already, my younger brother has had to stop his studies because of the Kuwait crisis."

In six years he has been back just once to Bangladesh. His family doesn't know where he is and there will be no one to greet him in Dhaka.

The huge Soviet Antonov was chartered by the Geneva-based International Migration Organization and has already made two round-trips from Amman to Dhaka.

When it landed here it was carrying 100 tonnes of rice for refugees still stuck in Jordan, by terms of an agreement with the World Food Program, and will carry a similar cargo on its next return flight to the Jordanian capital.

Captain Alexander Katchenko made his first flight to Dhaka on Sept. 5. "It was the first time that I had carried passengers in such a plane," he said. "But everything went fine. They all slept or walked around to stretch their legs."

With its rear door open, the Antonov appears to be an enormous cavern: forty meters (yards) long, 15 meters wide and as tall as a six-floor building.

The last two people to climb up into the gaping abyss are the only two women to be taking the flight.

Noorjahan Begum and Shahida Akther worked as cleaning women in Kuwait and did not want to leave their husbands and set off for an uncertain future.

"We are worried," said Noorjahan. "I've not slept for the last two days."

"I'm happy now," added Shahida. "Sure, I love my country but I'm wondering what I am going to do now."

Inside the plane, Serge, a husky crewman from Kiev, directs the passengers toward the front, allowing each just a tiny square of space for the eight-hour flight.

Baggage is piled along the sides, although one man comes aboard with just a bucket and a blanket that he refuses to part with. His neighbor clutches a thermos, while others guard plastic sacks.

And some are already asleep, in spite of the deafening roar of the engines that signals the beginning of the end of their nightmare.

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#90252d9090 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 10) - The leadership of Britain's tiny communist party on Sunday said it had decided to transform itself into a looser federal organization and drop the name communist.

Party general secretary Nina Temple, speaking after an executive committee meeting, said the decision "reflects the changes that have been taking place in communist parties in Europe and the decline of our own support in Britain."

The party congress to convene in December will put forward a new name for the organization which the executive committee would like to see transformed into a forum of various leftist movements.

Founded in 1920, Britain's communist party has steadily been losing support since the 1960s. It has only 7,000 members and is not represented in parliament.

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#90252d9170 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (SEPT. 10) - The United States is to provide 250,000 tons of food aid to Peru in fiscal 1991, which begins next month, U.S. Embassy officials said Sunday.

Some 100,000 tons of the aid is to be directly distributed to impoverished communities and the other 150,000 tons is to be dispersed through stores.

U.S. food assistance to Peru has progressively increased in the past few years from 50,000 tons in 1988. The latest assistance is 140 percent more than in fiscal 1990.

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#90252d9190 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (SEPT. 10) - Peruvian authorities have slapped a 100,000-dollar fine on a U.S. company for excavating in prohibited areas and contaminating water, it was reported Sunday.

Jose Carlos Mariategui, who heads the local government in the departments of Puno, Moquegua and Tacna in southern Peru, said Southern Peru Copper Corporation broke agreements that it would not pursue new deposits.

He said authorities fined the company 100,000 dollars for excavating in the Vizcachas lake in Moquegua and contaminating the water used by local communities.

Authorities have also alleged that the company was contaminating the air with chemicals and production fumes.

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#90252d9200 09/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (SEPT. 10) - A west German correspondent living in Colombia and five Colombian journalists who planned to interview guerrilla leaders of the Eln movement friendly to Cuba were Sunday reported missing.

The group including Hero Buss, a freelancer for several German papers and radio stations, had left Bogota August 30, announcing their return for September 2. There has been no sign of the journalists since their departure.

It was speculated that the journalists are being held by Eln guerrillas, who have been blamed for attacks on pipelines and other oil installations.

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#90252p2688 09/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (SEPT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines today announced fares to all five of its European destinations for as little as $358 roundtrip.

The "We've Lowered Our Exchange Rate to Europe" fares are for fall and winter travel to London, Paris, Frankfurt, Glasgow and Amsterdam. But travelers must act quickly, as the bargain fares are available for purchase only through Sept. 21.

As examples of the lower fares, Boston passengers can travel roundtrip to London for $358, a savings of $100 off the previously lowest fare. Chicago travelers can fly to Amsterdam for $378, a reduction of $98 off the normal ticket price. And Los Angeles passengers can go to Glasgow for $518, a savings of $120.

Travel at the low fares can begin between Nov. 1 and Feb. 28 with all travel completed by March 8.

To qualify for the discounts, Northwest passengers must plan trips to Europe of between six and 21 days. Seats are limited and higher fares are applicable during the Christmas period from Dec. 14 to Dec. 24. A 50 percent cancellation penalty applies to all tickets purchased. However, passengers can change their return flights for $100.

The fares do not include security charges, departure tax and customer/immigration user fees.

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#90252u0095 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 9) UPI - Western journalists in Iraq say the U-N sanctions are affecting the Middle East state. Food supplies are dwindling, although it is said that planeloads of aid are arriving despite the embargo. Several nations have expressed the desire to send assistance to the region to care for citizens trapped because of the standoff, but the U-S delegation to the United Nations says NO food emergency exists in Iraq.

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev referred to Sunday's scheduled meeting with President Bush as... in his words... ''a crucial moment in history.'' The session will be dominated by the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush has stated he hopes the mini-summit fortifies the bilateral superpower stance against Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. The meeting takes place in Helsinki, Finland, where notable peace movements have arisen in the past.

Californian officials say a 47-year-old abalone diver suffered moderate lacerations Saturday when what is thought to have been a great white shark mauled him. A spokesman for the state Department of Parks and Recreation says the UNidentified man fended off the shark's advances with his spear gun and was able to make his way back to shore. The attack occurred some 20 feet offshore at Sonoma Coast State Beach.

Guatemala's supreme court is expected to hand down a preliminary ruling Sunday on a former military leader's quest to become president. Current law holds that Efrain Rios Montt canNOT run for president in November because of his role in a 1982 coup. That coup put Montt in power until he was forcibly ousted a year and a half later. Montt has vowed NOT to resort to violence if his efforts fail.

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#90252u0096 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 9) UPI - The World Health Organization and the United Nations joined forces Saturday to try to devise the ideal childhood vaccine... a one-time dose to prevent a range of infectious diseases. Health experts acknowledge developing the vaccine is formidable and could take 20 to 30 years. But such a shot would save Millions of children who die from preventable diseases because they doN'T get all the shots they need.

A San Francisco group says it plans to hold anti-censorship demonstrations later this month in Los Angeles and Washington. The group converged Friday in an empty lot next to the San Francisco Arts Commission Gallery to protest attempts to restrict recipients of federal art funding. The protest was capped off with a time capsule filled with works by local writers, artists and photographers being inserted in the ground.

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#90252u0102 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 9) UPI - AL STANDING:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	78	60	.565	-	44-24	34-36	7-3	W-2
Toronto	73	66	.525	5 1/2	36-34	36-32	7-3	W-3
Milwaukee	66	72	.478	12	34-37	32-35	6-4	W-3
Detroit	66	74	.471	13	34-37	32-37	5-5	L-4
Baltimore	62	75	.453	15 1/2	31-36	31-39	3-7	W-2
Cleveland	61	78	.439	17 1/2	33-36	28-42	1-9	L-2
New York	57	81	.413	21	31-36	26-45	2-8	L-3
West								
Oakland	88	50	.638	-	44-24	44-26	8-2	W-6
Chicago	79	58	.577	8 1/2	41-29	38-29	6-4	L-2
Texas	72	67	.518	16 1/2	42-29	30-38	6-4	W-4
California	69	70	.496	19 1/2	36-32	33-38	5-5	L-2
Seattle	68	71	.489	20 1/2	36-36	32-35	5-5	L-2
Kansas City	66	73	.475	22 1/2	40-29	26-44	1-9	L-6
Minnesota	65	75	.464	24	35-36	30-39	6-4	W-2

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#90252u0110 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 9) UPI - SUNDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR:

AUTO RACING

NASCAR Miller Genuine Draft 400, Richmond, Va.

BASEBALL

American League
Seattle at Boston, 1:05 p.m.
Oakland at New York, 1:30 p.m.
California at Baltimore, 1:35 p.m.
Chicago at Toronto, 1:35 p.m.
Cleveland at Minnesota, 2:15 p.m.
Detroit at Milwaukee, 2:35 p.m.
Kansas City at Texas, 3:05 p.m.

National League
Montreal at Pittsburgh, 1:35 p.m.
New York at Philadelphia, 1:35 p.m.
Houston at San Francisco, 3:35 p.m.
Atlanta at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.
Cincinnati at Los Angeles, 4:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.

BOXING

AIBA World Cup, Dublin, Ireland

GOLF

Coal Valley, Ill. - $1 million Hardee's Golf Classic
Lexington Ky - RJR Bank One Senior Classic
Portland, Ore. - $350,000 LPGA Cellular One-Ping Championship

HARNESS RACING

The Messenger Stakes, Freestate Raceway

SOFTBALL

North Mankato, Minn. - Men's Major Fast Pitch National Championships

TENNIS

New York - U.S. Open

WRESTLING

Tokyo - Freestyle World Championships

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#90252u0138 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (SEPT. 9) UPI - Miss Illinois Marjorie Judith Vincent, a law student who wants to help with the economic development of Haiti, was named Miss America 1991 Saturday night, becoming the fourth black woman to hold the coveted title of America's unofficial sweetheart.

Vincent, 25, of Oak Park, Ill., appeared stunned as her name was called at the conclusion of the two-hour nationally televised pageant finals. Tears swelled in her eyes as she was fitted with the rhinestone- studded tiara by her predecessor, Miss America 1990 Debbye Turner of Columbia, Mo.

She then made the traditional stroll down the runway, waving and smiling to a sold-out crowd in Convention Center on the Boardwalk and a television audience estimated at more than 60 million.

Serenading the new Miss America with the theme song ''There She Is'' was Bert Parks, the former long-time master of ceremonies, returning to the pageant after a 10-year hiatus. The pageant was co-hosted by Gary Collins and Miss America 1971 Phillis George.

Vincent, a 5-foot-6, 110-pound, brown-eyed brunette, returned to the stage and was mobbed by pageant contestants from the other 49 states before being whisked away to her first news conference as the 64th Miss America.

''I was just so happy I made the top 10,'' Vincent told reporters. ''From then on, it just didn't matter. I was just thrilled.''

''When I won,'' she said, gasping, ''I still can't believe it.''

Vincent said the pageant's selection of a fourth black woman as Miss America showed ''race is not an issue any more in Miss America.''

''I'm proud to follow in the footsteps of Debbye Turner, but it's a tough act to follow,'' she said.

She said she would make efforts to ease the plight of battered women ''one of my biggest goals'' during her one-year reign.

''Battered women is a subject that has not been focused on or had much attention until recently,'' she said. ''I would like to increase the awareness of that issue and try to increase the funding and training and legal protection for women.''

The new Miss America, a third-year-student at Duke University Law School, receives $42,500 in scholarships and the chance to earn more than $100,000 in fees for appearances across the country next year.

Vincent, whose parents are from Haiti, speaks fluent French and Creole and is studying Japanese. After graduation from law school, she wants to practice international law and assist in the economic development of Haiti.

The accomplished pianist performed a Chopin piano solo in the talent competition.

Vincent is the fourth black woman to become Miss America in the history of the pageant, and the second in two years, following Turner.

The first black Miss America, Vanessa Williams, was dethroned in 1984 in a scandal involving published nude photographs. First runner-up Suzette Charles, also black, replaced Williams.

The first runner up was Miss South Carolina Mary Waddell Gainey, the second runner up Miss Tennessee Dana Brown, the third runner up Miss Texas Suzanne Lawrence and the fourth runner up Miss Louisiana Linnea Marie Fayard.

In a last-minute, unannounced switch, Parks - not Collins - sang ''There She Is,'' the song Parks had made famous during his tenure hosting the

pageant.

The annual end-of-summer pageant had been threatened by protests from New York black activist Al Sharpton, who at first announced plans to disrupt the finals to gain a national platform for his demands that the gambling mecca of Atlantic City offer better recreational facilities for youths.

Sharpton, charged with inciting a riot on Labor Day for a traffic-stopping protest on the Atlantic City Expressway, also said he wanted to crown himself ''Mr. America.''

After meeting with pageant organizers, however, Sharpton agreed to hold a Saturday afternoon protest outdoors and not disturb the evening gala.

The first runner-up wins a $20,000 scholarship, the second runner- up a $14,000 scholarship, the third runner-up an $11,000 scholarship, and the fourth runner-up an $8,000 scholarship. The five other semi- finalists each win a $6,000 scholarship.

In an effort to downplay its image as a beauty contest, organizers of the ''scholarship pageant'' this year would not allow contestants to pose for photographers in their swimsuits, though the swimsuit competition remained a part of the pageant. The swimsuit pictures on the Atlantic City beach or at poolside had been a tradition, in part because the pageant began as a publicity stunt to extend the seaside resort's summer season into September.

The slate of 50 contestants - the Miss District of Columbia pageant was not held this year for financial reasons - was narrowed to 10 by preliminary judges who rated them on how they handled themselves during private interviews and in three nights of preliminary swimsuit, talent and evening gown competition.

The preliminary panel stepped aside Saturday night to allow a celebrity panel to pick America's sweetheart.

The celebrity judges were Delta Burke of TV's ''Designing Women;'' actress Shirley Jones; talk show host Larry King; actor John Forsythe; author Sidney Sheldon; actress Cynthia Sykes, who was Miss Kansas 1972; and Tony-award winner Nell Carter of ''Ain't Misbehavin'.''

While this year's contest marked the 70th anniversary of the pageant, the winner was only the 64th Miss America because the competition was not held in some years during its early history.

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - SATURDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS:

BASEBALL

Minnesota - Activated outfielder Randy Bush from disabled list.

Philadelphia - Activated pitcher Steve Ontiveros from disabled list.

BASKETBALL

Dallas - Re-worked the contracts of guards Rolando Blackman and Derek Harper.

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Activated center Guy Bingham; waived wide receiver Reggie Thornton.

Chicago - Activated defensive tackle Steve McMichael; placed defensive tackle Terry Price on injured reserve.

Green Bay - Activated quarterback Don Majkowski; waived wide receiver Carl Bland.

NY Giants - Activated linebacker Lawrence Taylor and defensive end Leonard Marshall; cut wide receiver Stacy Robinson; placed defensive end Clint James on injured reserve.

Philadelphia - Released quarterback Ben Brown and activated running back Anthony Toney.

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#90252u0161 09/09/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 9) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	82	57	.590	-	42-28	39-29	7-3	W-1
New York	78	60	.565	3 1/2	46-22	32-38	5-5	W-1
Montreal	72	66	.522	9 1/2	39-28	33-38	5-5	L-1
Chicago	65	73	.471	16 1/2	33-36	32-37	4-6	W-1
Philadel.	64	74	.464	17 1/2	34-34	30-40	6-4	L-1
St. Louis	63	76	.453	19	32-40	31-36	4-6	L-1
West								
Cincinnati	79	59	.572	-	38-26	40-33	5-5	W-1
Los Angeles	73	66	.525	6 1/2	41-30	32-35	4-6	L-1
San Fran.	71	68	.511	8 1/2	38-29	33-38	4-6	W-1

San Diego	63	75	.457	16	33-39	28-37	2-8	L-2
Houston	63	76	.453	16 1/2	40-27	23-48	6-4	L-1
Atlanta	58	81	.417	21 1/2	33-38	24-43	8-2	W-2

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#90252u0197 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 9) UPI - The Blue Jays took their second straight game from the Chicago White Sox Saturday with a 3-0 victory, but they succumbed easily to the Sox team that they're chasing in the American League East - the Boston Red Sox.

The Blue Jays have learned to master Chicago but dropped 3 of 4 games - getting shut out in three of them - the last time they challenged Boston for the division lead in late August.

Toronto has beaten the White Sox in six of the last eight games between the teams.

The two Toronto victories dimmed the White Sox' hopes of overtaking the Oakland Athletics in the West, but didn't do the Blue Jays much good in their hunt for the pennant. The Red Sox thumped Seattle 10-2, maintaining their 5 1-2-game lead over the Blue Jays.

''Not much you can do if the first place team keeps on winning,'' shrugged Kelly Gruber, who provided Toronto with all its offense Saturday. ''We can't control that, we just have to go out and win.''

Gruber scored all three runs, two on homers off Alex Fernandez, 2- 3, and the other when he scored from third on a Fred McGriff single in the fourth.

''We haven't been able to gain a lot of ground but we just have to keep going out there each day and keep trying,'' he said.

Dave Stieb, who pitched a no-hitter last Sunday against Cleveland, became the first Blue Jay to win 18 games in a season.

Stieb, 18-5, scattered six hits, allowed two walks and struck out three in eight innings. Tom Henke pitched the ninth for his 28th save.

Stieb held the Blue Jays' record with 17 victories in a season, a feat he recorded four times.

''It means nothing to me, it's just another win,'' said Stieb, who ran his career record against the White Sox to 20-4. ''It's great and it's fine but it's just another win.''

Gruber staked the Blue Jays to a 1-0 first-inning lead when he drove a 2-2

pitch from Alex Fernandez, 2-3, over the left-field fence.

He belted another Fernandez pitch over the left-field fence in the eighth for his 26th homer and a 3-0 lead.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Elsewhere in the American League, Boston stomped Seattle 10-2, Oakland kicked New York 5-2, Minnesota scalped Cleveland 6-1, Milwaukee downed Detroit 5-2, Baltimore tripped California 5-4 and Texas topped Kansas City 2-1.

Red Sox 10, Mariners 2

At Boston, Luis Rivera's two-run double capped a four-run sixth inning and Carlos Quintana drove home two in a five-run eighth, lifting the first-place Red Sox. Tom Bolton, 9-2, pitched his third complete game. He gave up seven hits, walked two and struck out three. Scott Medvin, 0-1, took the loss.

Athletics 5, Yankees 2

At New York, former Yankee Rickey Henderson slammed two homers, rallying Oakland, who are attempting to sweep the season series with New York. With a win Sunday, the A's would be the first team in history to accomplish the feat against the Yankees. Scott Sanderson, 15-9, allowed three hits and Dennis Eckersley pitched 1 2-3 innings for his 42nd save. Mike Witt, 3-8, took the loss.

Twins 6, Indians 1

At Minneapolis, Shane Mack homered, doubled and scored twice and rookie Scott Erickson pitched his first complete game to lead the Twins. Erickson 5-4, scattered seven hits, walked one and struck out four. Mike Walker, 1-6, was the loser.

Brewers 5, Tigers 2

At Milwaukee, B.J. Surhoff belted a three-run homer and Jaime Navarro won his fourth straight game, lifting the Brewers. Navarro, 7-5, allowed nine hits over 8 2-3 innings, striking out one and walking two. Julio Machado picked up his first save. Walt Terrell, 4-3, took the loss.

Orioles 5, Angels 4

At Baltimore, Cal Ripken lifted a sacrifice fly to score Brady Anderson and give the Orioles the win. Mark Eichhorn, 2-5, loaded the bases, setting the stage for Ripken's shot to the warning track in left. Joe

Price, 3-3, recorded two outs in the ninth for the win.

Rangers 2, Royals 1

At Arlington, Texas, Rafael Palmeiro's double with one out in the bottom of the ninth scored Julio Franco from first base to lift the Rangers. Kenny Rogers, who relieved Texas starter Nolan Ryan, entered in the eighth and improved to 7-5. Loser Kevin Appier, 11-6, went 8 1-3 innings and was charged with both runs and three hits.

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#90252u0201 09/09/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 9) UPI - AL BOXSCORES:

CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Cole Jr cf	4	0	2	0	Munoz rf	5	1	1	0
Jefferson lf	4	0	0	0	Liriano 2b	2	2	2	1
Browne 2b	4	0	1	0	Leius ss	0	0	0	0
Maldonado rf	4	1	3	1	Puckett lf	3	0	1	0
Phelps dh	4	0	0	0	Hrbek 1b	1	0	0	1
Baerga 3b	4	0	0	0	Gaetti 3b	4	0	0	0
DiJames 1b	3	0	0	0	Bush dh	4	0	0	0
Skinner c	2	0	0	0	Mack cf	4	2	2	1
McLemore 3b	1	0	0	0	Ortiz c	4	1	2	1
Fermin ss	1	0	1	0	Newman ss	4	0	1	0
Alomar c	1	0	0	0					
Totals	32	1	7	1	Totals	31	6	9	4

Cleveland	000 000 100- 1
Minnesota	101 012 01x- 6

DP-Cleveland 1, Minnesota 1. LOB- Cleveland 5, Minnesota 7. 2B-Mack. 3B-Liriano. HR-Maldonado (20), Mack (8). SF-Hrbek.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Walker (L 1-6)	5 1-3	8	5	4	3	2
Ward	1 2-3	0	0	0	1	1
Orosco	1	1	1	1	0	1
Minnesota						
Erickson (W 5-4)	9	7	1	1	1	4

HBP-by Walker (Hrbek). WP-Ward 2. PB-Skinner. T-2:09. A-17,394.

Umpires-Home, Cooney; 1b, Brinkman; 2b, Cousins; 3b, Reed.

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	4	0	1	0	Reed 2b	5	1	1	0
Cotto lf	3	1	1	0	Quintana 1b	5	1	2	2
GGriffey cf	4	1	1	0	Boggs 3b	3	2	1	0
Leonard dh	3	0	2	1	Burks cf	5	0	0	1
Buhner rf	4	0	1	0	Greenwell lf	4	1	3	2
EMartinez 3b	4	0	1	1	Brunansky rf	4	1	1	1
Valle c	3	0	0	0	Marshall dh	4	1	3	1
CMartinez 1b	3	0	0	0	Kutcher pr	1	1	0	0
Vizquel ss	3	0	0	0	Marzano c	2	0	0	0
Heep ph	1	0	1	1					
Pena c	1	2	1	0					
Rivera ss	3	0	1	2					
Totals	31	2	7	2	Totals	38	10	14	10

Seattle	000 200 000-	2
Boston	000 004 15x-	10

E-EMartinez. DP-Boston 2. LOB-Seattle 4, Boston 9. 2B-Quintana, Cotto, Marshall, Rivera, Greenwell. S-Rivera.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Delucia	5 2-3	4	1	1	2	4
Medvin (L 0-1)	0	3	3	3	1	0
Knackert	1 1-3	2	1	1	0	1
Burba	1-3	3	4	2	0	0
Lovelace	1-3	1	1	1	1	0
Gardiner	1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Boston						
Bolton (W 9-2)	9	7	2	2	2	5

T-2:53. A-32,680.

Umpires-Home, Evans; 1b, Welke; 2b, Coble; 3b, Ford.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi
Bradley lf	3	0	1	0	Wilson cf	4	0	1	0

Johnson cf	4	0	1	0	AnFernandez ss	4	0	0	0
Calderon dh	4	0	0	0	Gruber 3b	4	3	3	2
Pasqua rf	4	0	0	0	Bell dh	4	0	1	0
Thomas 1b	3	0	1	0	McGriff 1b	4	0	2	1
McCray pr	0	0	0	0	Borders c	3	0	0	0
Ventura 3b	4	0	2	0	Ducey lf	2	0	0	0
Karkovice c	3	0	1	0	Lee 2b	3	0	1	0
Lyons ph	1	0	0	0	Felix rf	3	0	0	0
Fletcher 2b	3	0	0	0					
Willard ph	1	0	0	0					
Guillen ss	2	0	0	0					
Totals	32	0	6	0	Totals	31	3	8	3

Chicago	000 000 000- 0
Toronto	100 100 01x- 3

E-Gruber. DP-Chicago 1, Toronto 1. LOB-Chicago 8, Toronto 5. 2B-Wilson.
HR-Gruber 2 (26).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
AlFernandez (L 2-3)	8	8	3	3	1	8
Toronto						
Stieb (W 18-5)	8	6	0	0	2	3
Henke (S 28)	1	0	0	0	1	2

WP-Henke. T-2:26. A-49,898.

Umpires-Home, McCoy; 1b, Phillips; 2b, Clark; 3b, Hirschbeck.

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
RHendersn lf	5	2	2	3	Kelly cf	3	1	3	1
McGee cf	5	2	2	0	Sax 2b	2	0	0	0
Canseco rf	5	0	2	0	Maas 1b	2	0	0	0
Baines dh	4	0	4	1	Balboni 1b	1	0	0	0
Blanknshp pr	1	0	0	0	Barfield rf	3	0	1	1
Lansford 3b	4	0	0	0	Hall dh	4	0	0	0
McGwire 1b	3	0	0	0	Nokes c	4	0	0	0
Hassey c	4	0	1	0	Azocar lf	4	0	0	0
Randolph 2b	4	1	1	0	Velarde 3b	3	1	0	0
Gallego ss	2	0	0	0	Espinoza ss	3	0	1	0
Totals	37	5	12	4	Totals	29	2	5	2

Oakland	100 000 022- 5
New York	110 000 000- 2

E-Barfield. DP-New York 1. LOB- Oakland 8, New York 6. 2B-Espinoza, Kelly, Baines, Canseco. HR-RHenderson 2 (26). SB-Gallego (5). S-Sax, Gallego. SF-Barfield, Kelly.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Sanderson (W 15-9)	7	3	2	2	2	7
Nelson	0	1	0	0	0	0
Honeycutt	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Eckersley (S 42)	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	1
New York						
Witt (L 3-8)	7 1-3	8	3	3	1	4
Guetterman	1 2-3	4	2	2	1	0

Nelson pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

HBP-by Sanderson (Sax). WP-Witt 2. T- 2:52. A-35,721.

Umpires-Home, Young; 1b, Palermo; 2b, Reilly; 3b, Garcia.

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Polonia lf	3	2	2	0	SFinley rf	4	0	0	0
Bichette lf	1	0	0	0	Ripken 2b	3	1	1	1
Ray 2b	5	1	1	1	Orsulak ph	1	0	1	0
White cf	4	0	1	2	Ripken Jr ss	4	0	1	1
Winfield rf	4	0	0	0	Tettleton dh	3	0	1	0
Downing dh	4	0	0	1	Worthington 3b	3	1	2	1
Stevens 1b	3	0	0	0	Gonzales 3b	0	0	0	0
Parrish c	4	0	2	0	Devereaux cf	4	0	1	0
Howell 3b	3	1	0	0	Melvin c	4	1	1	2
Schofield ss	3	0	2	0	BAnderson lf	4	1	2	0
McKnight 1b	3	1	1	0					
Totals	34	4	8	4	Totals	33	5	11	5

California	003 000 100- 4
Baltimore	021 000 101- 5

DP-California 1. LOB-California 10, Baltimore 8. 2B-Worthington, Ray, Tettleton. HR-Melvin (5). S-Polonia. SF- Ripken Jr.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
CFinley	8	9	4	4	4	10
Eichhorn (L 2-5)	2-3	2	1	1	1	1
Baltimore						
Mesa	5 2-3	5	3	3	3	5
Ballard	2-3	2	1	1	1	2
Schilling	1	1	0	0	2	1
Price (W 3-3)	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	1

T-3:40. A-30,738.

Umpires-Home, McClelland; 1b, Denkinger; 2b, Shulock; 3b, Merrill.

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Cuyler cf	4	0	1	0	Molitor 1b	4	0	2	0
Whitaker 2b	4	0	0	0	Brock 1b	0	0	0	0
Trammell ss	2	0	0	0	Gantner 2b	4	1	3	0
Phillips ss	1	0	0	0	Sheffield 3b	3	0	1	0
Fielder 1b	4	0	0	0	Parker dh	4	0	0	0
Moseby lf	4	1	2	0	Yount cf	3	1	1	0
Bergman dh	4	0	1	0	Surhoff c	3	2	1	3
Sheets rf	4	1	1	0	Vaughn lf	4	0	0	0
Fryman 3b	4	0	2	2	Deer rf	4	1	2	1
Salas c	4	0	2	0	Spiers ss	3	0	2	1
Heath pr	0	0	0	0					
Totals	35	2	9	2	Totals	32	5	12	5

Detroit	000 010 001- 2
Milwaukee	013 001 00x- 5

E-Trammell, Navarro. DP-Detroit 2, Milwaukee 1. LOB-Detroit 8, Milwaukee 6.
2B-Sheets, Sheffield, Yount, Fryman. HR- Surhoff (6), Deer (27).
SB-Gantner 3 (15).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Terrell (L 4-3)	6 2-3	11	5	5	3	2
Gibson	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Parker	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Milwaukee						
Navarro (W 7-5)	8 2-3	9	2	2	2	1

Machado (S 1) 1-3
0 0 0 0 0

Umpires-Home, Kaiser; 1b, Johnson; 2b, McKean; 3b, Voltaggio.

T-2:36. A-35,299.

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Seitzer 3b	3	0	0	0	Huson ss	4	0	0	0
Eisenreich rf	4	0	1	1	Franco 2b	4	2	3	1
Brett lf	4	0	2	0	Palmeiro 1b	4	0	1	1
Jackson dh	3	0	0	0	Sierra rf	3	0	0	0
Perry 1b	3	0	0	0	Daugherty dh	3	0	0	0
Wilson cf	3	0	1	0	Incaviglia lf	3	0	0	0
Stillwell ss	4	0	0	0	Gonzalez cf	3	0	0	0
Macfarlane c	4	0	1	0	Stanley c	2	0	0	0
Pecota 2b	3	1	0	0	Reimer ph	0	0	0	0
Pettis pr	0	0	0	0					
Kreuter c	0	0	0	0					
Buechele 3b	3	0	0	0					
Totals	31	1	5	1	Totals	29	2	4	2

One out when winning run scored.

Kansas City	000 000 010- 1
Texas	000 000 101- 2

LOB-Kansas City 8, Texas 3. 2B- Eisenreich, Palmeiro. HR-Franco (9). SB-Franco (28), Perry (17), Brett (9). S- Seitzer.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Appier (L 11-6)	8 1-3	3	2	2	1	6
Sanchez	0 1	0	0	0	0	0
Texas						
Ryan	7	3	1	1	3	8
Rogers (W 7-5)	2	2	0	0	1	0

Ryan pitched to one batter in the 8th; Sanchez pitched to one batter in the 9th.

Balk-Ryan.

Umpires-Home, Kosc; 1b, Morrison; 2b, Roe; 3b, Barnett.

T-2:49. A-34,412.

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Thompson lf	4	0	0	0	Walton cf	4	1	1	0
Smith ss	5	1	1	0	Sandberg 2b	4	1	2	1
Lankford cf	5	0	2	0	Grace 1b	4	2	1	1
Guerrero 1b	4	1	2	0	Dawson rf	4	1	1	1
Collins 1b	0	0	0	0	JSmith lf	2	0	1	1
Jose ph	1	0	0	0	Pavlas p	0	0	0	0
Zeile 3b	4	0	1	0	Assenmacher p	1	0	0	0
Hudler rf	4	1	2	1	Berryhill c	4	0	0	1
Pagnozzi c	4	0	0	0	Dunston ss	4	0	1	0
Oquendo 2b	2	0	0	0	Ramos 3b	2	0	2	0
Coleman ph	1	0	0	0	Sutcliffe p	0	0	0	0
Terry p	0	0	0	0	Dascenzo lf	1	0	0	0
Olivares p	2	1	2	3					
Pena ph	1	0	0	0					
Dayley p	0	0	0	0					
CWilson 2b	1	0	1	0					
Totals	38	4	11	4	Totals	30	5	9	5

St. Louis	020 110 000- 4
Chicago	300 010 10x- 5

E-Hudler, Ramos, Berryhill. DP-St. Louis 1. LOB-St. Louis 11, Chicago 5.
2B-Olivares, Lankford. HR-Olivares (1), Sandberg (33), Grace (8).
SB-Lankford (6). SF-Hudler.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Olivares	5	8	4	4	3	0
Dayley (L 4-3)	2	1	1	1	1	2
Terry	1	0	0	0	0	1
Chicago						
Sutcliffe	5	7	4	4	3	2
Pavlas (W 1-0)	2	2	0	0	0	1
Assenmacher (S 8)	2	2	0	0	0	4

WP-Sutcliffe. T-2:44. A-32,039.

Umpires-Home, Davidson; 1b, Williams; 2b, McSherry; 3b, Montague.

HOUSTON SAN FRANCISCO

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Yelding ss	3	1	1	0	Butler cf	5	0	1	0
Young cf	4	0	0	0	Kingery rf	4	0	1	0
Rhodes lf	3	0	0	1	Clark 1b	2	0	1	0
Caminiti 3b	4	0	0	0	Mitchell lf	5	0	0	0
Gonzalez 1b	4	0	1	0	Williams 3b	5	2	2	2
Anthony rf	4	0	0	0	Carter c	4	0	0	0
Candaele 2b	4	0	1	0	Thompson 2b	3	0	0	0
Gedman c	4	0	1	0	Uribe ss	4	0	0	0
Gullickson p	1	0	0	0	Downs p	2	0	0	0
Stubbs ph	1	0	0	0	Riles ph	1	0	0	0
Meyer p	0	0	0	0	Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	1	4	1	Totals	35	2	5	2

Houston 000 000 001 0- 1
San Francisco 000 100 000 1- 2

E-Candaele. DP-San Francisco 1. LOB-Houston 4, San Francisco 10. 2B-Clark. HR-Williams 2 (29). SB-Yelding 2 (54), Butler (39). S-Gullickson. SF-Rhodes.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Gullickson	7	4	1	1	5	2
Meyer (L 0-3)	2 2-3	1	1	1	1	0
San Francisco						
Downs	9	3	1	1	1	1
Bedrosian (W 8-8)	1	1	0	0	0	0

T-2:38. A-23,250.

Umpires-Home, Tata; 1b, Quick; 2b, Bonin; 3b, Barnes.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Jefferies 3b	5	1	1	1	Dykstra cf	4	0	0	0
Miller cf	5	2	1	0	Malone Jr p	0	0	0	0
Magadan 1b	3	3	2	1	Booker ss	3	1	0	0
McReynolds lf	5	2	2	3	VHayes lf	4	1	2	2
Strawberry rf	4	1	1	1	Murphy rf	4	0	1	0
Herr 2b	5	1	1	2	Daulton c	4	0	1	0
Johnson ss	3	2	0	0	CHayes 3b	3	0	0	0
O'Brien c	4	0	3	3	Jordan 1b	3	0	0	0
Gooden p	3	0	1	1	Morandini 2b	3	0	1	0
Ruffin p	1	0	0	0	Cook p	0	0	0	0
Hollins ph	1	0	0	0	Greene p	0	0	0	0
McElroy p	0	0	0	0	Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0
Boever p	0	0	0	0	Meadows ph	0	0	0	0

Totals	37	12	12	12	Totals	30	2	5	2

New York	000 310 431- 12
Philadelphia	200 000 000- 2

DP-New York 2. LOB-New York 12, Philadelphia 3. 2B-Daulton, McReynolds, Miller, Strawberry, O'Brien. 3B-Magadan. HR-VHayes (17), McReynolds (21), Jefferies (15). SB-Morandini (2). S- Gooden. SF-Strawberry.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Gooden (W 16-6)	9	5	2	2	2	10
Philadelphia						
Ruffin (L 6-13)	3 2-3	3	3	3	4	4
Cook	1 1-3	2	1	1	0	1
Greene	1	1	2	2	3	0
McElroy	1-3	3	2	2	1	0
Akerfelds	1 1-3	1	3	3	2	1
Boever	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Malone Jr	1	1	1	1	2	3

Greene pitched to 2 batters in the 7th.

T-3:14. A-37,489.

Umpires-Home, Winters; 1b, Davis; 2b, Layne; 3b, Runge.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
LSmith lf	4	1	1	3	Roberts lf	5	2	2	0
Treadway 2b	2	1	0	0	Alomar 2b	3	1	0	0
Presley 3b	1	0	0	0	Cora 2b	0	0	0	0
Parrett p	1	0	1	0	Gwynn rf	5	2	3	3
Mercker p	0	0	0	0	JaClark 1b	3	0	0	0
Gant cf	5	1	1	1	Stephensn 1b	1	0	0	0
Justice rf	4	2	3	1	Carter cf	5	0	2	1
Gregg 1b	2	1	1	0	Santiago c	4	0	1	1
Grant p	0	0	0	0	Templeton ss	4	0	0	0
McDowell ph	0	0	0	0	Faries 3b	4	0	3	0
Vatcher ph	1	0	0	0	Schiraldi p	1	0	0	0
Castillo p	0	0	0	0	Lilliquist p	0	0	0	0
Lemke 2b	2	2	2	0	Harris p	0	0	0	0
Whitt c	2	1	1	1	Pagliarulo ph	1	0	0	0
Olson c	1	1	0	0	Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0

Thomas ss	5	1	3	2					
Blauser 3b	4	0	0	1					
Avery p	1	0	0	0					
Bell 1b	1	0	0	0					
Cabrera 1b	3	0	0	0					
Totals	39	11	13	9	Totals	36	5	11	5

Atlanta 120 010 052- 11
San Diego 203 000 000- 5

E-Gant, Treadway, Templeton, Faries, LSmith. DP-Atlanta 1, San Diego 1. LOB-Atlanta 7, San Diego 9. 2B-Roberts, Gregg, Faries. HR-Gant (28), LSmith (6). SB- Carter (17), Roberts (38), Alomar (20), Santiago (5). S-Alomar, Schiraldi, Lilliquist, Olson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Avery	2	5	5	3	0	1
Grant	2	2	0	0	0	0
Castillo	2 1-3	3	0	0	1	1
Parrett (W 5-9)	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Mercker	1	0	0	0	1	1
San Diego						
Schiraldi	4 2-3	5	4	3	3	2
Lilliquist (L 3-9)	2 1-3	2	2	2	2	2
Harris	1	3	3	0	0	2
Rodriguez	1	3	2	2	0	0

Avery pitched to 3 batters in 3rd; Lilliquist pitched to 2 batters in 8th.

PB-Santiago. T-3:18. A-12,802.

Umpires-Home, DeMuth; 1b, Gregg; 2b, Crawford; 3b, Harvey.

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Larkin ss	5	1	2	0	Samuel 2b	3	0	1	2
Morris 1b	5	2	2	0	Harris 2b	1	0	0	0
Duncan 2b	3	1	0	1	Gibson cf	3	1	0	0
Davis lf	4	3	3	2	Daniels lf	0	0	0	0
Sabo 3b	2	1	1	0	MHatcher lf	4	0	1	0
Quinones 3b	2	0	0	1	Murray 1b	4	0	1	1
Oliver c	5	0	2	2	Brooks rf	4	0	0	0
O'Neill rf	2	0	0	1	Sharperson 3b	4	0	0	0
Hatcher cf	2	0	0	0	Dempsey c	2	2	1	0

Winningham cf	1	0	1	1	Griffin ss	1	0	0	0
Browning p	3	0	0	0	Gwynn ph	1	0	1	0
Dibble p	0	0	0	0	Gott p	0	0	0	0
Myers p	1	0	0	0	Javier ph	0	0	0	0
Valenzuela p	1	1	0	0					
Holmes p	0	0	0	0					
Vizcaino ph	1	0	0	0					
Crews p	0	0	0	0					
Offerman ss	1	0	0	0					
Totals	35	8	11	8	Totals	30	4	5	3

Cincinnati	302 000 012- 8
Los Angeles	120 000 100- 4

LOB-Cincinnati 7, Los Angeles 5. 2B-Davis 3, Oliver. 3B-Samuel. SB-Davis (14). S-Offerman. SF-O'Neill, Duncan, Quinones.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Browning (W 13-7)	6	4	4	4	4	2
Dibble	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Myers (S 28)	2 2-3	0	0	0	1	6
Los Angeles						
Valenzuela (L 12-12)	3	6	5	5	3	1
Holmes	1	0	0	0	0	0
Crews	3	0	0	0	0	3
Gott	2	5	3	3	1	2

Browning pitched to 1 batter in the 7th.

WP-Myers. T-2:50. A-48,459.

Umpires-Home, Darling; 1b, Froemming; 2b, Pulli; 3b, Rippley.

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
DaMartinz cf	5	1	2	0	Backman 3b	1	2	1	0
DeShields 2b	4	0	2	0	King 3b	2	0	0	0
Aldrete lf	3	0	1	0	Bell ss	3	1	1	0
Wallach 3b	3	0	1	0	Van Slyke cf	3	1	1	3
Sampen p	0	0	0	0	Bonilla rf	3	0	1	1
Raines ph	1	0	0	1	Bonds lf	3	0	0	0
Mohorcic p	0	0	0	0	Bream 1b	4	1	2	1
Walker rf	4	0	0	0	LaValliere c	4	1	1	0
Galarraga 1b	3	0	1	0	Lind 2b	3	0	0	0
Goff c	3	0	0	0	Drabek p	3	0	2	1

Noboa ph	1	0	0	0	Patterson p	0	0	0	0
Owen ss	4	0	0	0					
Farmer p	1	0	1	0					
Hall p	0	0	0	0					
Nixon ph	1	0	0	0					
Foley 3b	1	0	0	0					
Fitzgerald ph	1	0	1	0					
Totals	35	1	9	1	Totals	29	6	9	6

Montreal	000 000 010- 1
Pittsburgh	102 210 00x- 6

DP-Pittsburgh 1. LOB-Montreal 9, Pittsburgh 4. 2B-Backman, Bell. HR-Van Slyke (14), Bream (13). SB-Bonds (45), DeShields (36). S-Bell. SF-Van Slyke, Bonilla.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Farmer (L 0-2)	3 2-3	6	5	5	2	2
Hall	1 1-3	1	1	1	0	0
Sampen	2	2	0	0	0	0
Mohorcic	1	0	0	0	0	0
Pittsburgh						
Drabek (W 19-5)	7 2-3	7	1	1	2	3
Patterson	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	2

PB-Goff.

Umpires-Home, Wendelstedt; 1b, West; 2b, Hallion; 3b, Marsh.

T-2:46. A-44,614.

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DOVER, DE (SEPT. 9) UPI - Rep Tom Carper, D-Del., defeated his primary opponent Saturday, earning his party's nomination and a spot on the November ballot.

Unofficial totals showed Carper with 24,809 votes to challenger Daniel Rappa's 2,508 votes. All ballots in two of Delaware's three counties had been counted, while 89 percent of the results were in from the third county.

In a speech before 300 supporters at a Wilmington restaurant, Carper said his victory was a new day for Democrats.

''This victory tonight is a reaffirmation of the rebuilding we started a year and a half ago,'' the four-term representative said. ''It has been a tough five weeks and somedays it hasn't been very pretty.''

The campaign featured accusations of corruption, the incumbent's acceptance of political action committee money as well as the challenger's association with convicted former elected officials.

Voter turnout in Delaware was exceptionally light Saturday with less than 20 percent of registered Democrats coming out to vote in the only statewide primary.

Delaware voters have elected Carper to Delaware's lone seat in the U.S. House four times. Prior to that he served two terms as state treasurer.

He will face Republican challenger Ralph Williams in the fall election and if he wins in November, Carper would become the winningest politician in Delaware history.

-30- 1573

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - In the thick of a pennant race, the New York Mets and Pittsburgh Pirates looked toward two players they've counted on the most this season to come through in the clutch. And on Saturday night, Dwight Gooden and Doug Drabek didn't let their teammates down.

Gooden helped end New York's five-game losing streak by tossing a five hitter in the Mets 12-2 mauling of the Philadelphia Phillies.

Meanwhile, Drabek became the National League's first 19-game winner when he combined on a nine-hitter with reliever Bob Patterson in a 6-1 victory over the Montreal Expos.

The Pirates' seventh victory in eight games enabled them to maintain a 3 1-2-game lead over the New York Mets in the NL East.

Although the Mets didn't gain ground, getting the victory was important enough.

''That was just what the doctor ordered,'' said New York Manager Bud Harrelson, who might have just as well have been referring to Gooden as the stopper, as well as an offense that awoke after scoring just two runs over the five-game skid. ''Our guys are laughing again.''

Gooden, 16-6, came up with a win for the 10th time this season following a New York loss. The right-handed ace struck out nine and walked two in

posting his second complete game of the year.

''I couldn't find myself in the first inning,'' said Gooden who allowed two first inning runs. ''Then I felt good. I had a very good breaking ball and I stayed ahead of the hitters. I prefer this cooler weather, I stay stronger longer.''

Like Gooden, Drabek is Pittsburgh's cure after a defeat.

Drabek, 19-5, won for the 12th time this year after following a Pirates' loss. Pittsburgh must feel some magic when Drabek is pitching - the Pirates are 22-7 in his 29 starts.

''If I won the Cy Young Award I'd have to share it with everybody,'' he said. ''I've had help from a lot of people. Tonight they gave me an early lead, and that helps a pitcher, and they turned in some really good plays behind me.''

Andy Van Slyke, who hit a sacrifice fly and a two-run homer in the game, tried to explain why things go so well for the Pirates when Drabek pitches. ''A simplicity seems to go through the air,'' Van Slyke said. ''Doug's been our man all year, and I think you have two things happen when he pitches.

''Defensively, you know you're going to stay in the game. Everyone seems to get a chance. And you know he's going to shut down the other team so you don't have to be too tense on offense.''

For New York, Kevin McReynolds provided the offense with an RBI double and two-run homer, helping make a loser of Bruce Ruffin, 6-13.

Drabek made life tough for Montreal rookie Howard Farmer, 0-2, who took the loss.

''It was a good win for us, not for the fact the Mets also won, but that the Expos have given us all sorts of trouble,'' Van Slyke said. ''I think our biggest challenge when we go on the road next week will be going into Montreal.

''I'm not eliminating the importance of going into New York, but Montreal is always tough regardless of where they play.''

And so are Gooden and Drabek when they pitch.

-- AROUND THE NL --

In other National League games, Chicago topped St. Louis 5-4, San Francisco edged Houston 2-1 in 10 innings, Atlanta crushed San Diego 11- 5

and Cincinnati downed Los Angeles 8-4.

Cubs 5, Cardinals 4

At Chicago, Mark Grace's solo home run in the seventh inning helped rookie Dave Pavlas win his first major league victory. Pavlas, 1-0, worked two scoreless innings and Paul Assenmacher pitched the final two innings to earn his eighth save. Ken Dayley, 4-3, allowed Grace's home run and took the loss.

Giants 2, Astros 1, 10 innings

At San Francisco, Matt Williams second homer of the game helped carry San Francisco and made a winner of Steve Bedrosian, who pitched the 10th to improve to 7-8. With two outs, Williams homered off loser Brian Meyer, 0-2 for his 29th homer of the year and league-leading 107th RBI.

Reds 8, Dodgers 4

At Los Angeles, Eric Davis hit three doubles, drove in two runs, and scored three times and Randy Myers earned his 28th save to lift Cincinnati and increase its lead to 6 1-2 games over Los Angeles. Tom Browning, 13-7, topped Fernando Valenzuela, 12-12, who lasted only three innings and allowed five runs on six hits.

Braves 11, Padres 5

At San Diego, Lonnie Smith slammed a two-run homer to cap a five- run eighth inning and lift Atlanta to its eighth win in its last nine games. Jeff Parrett, 5-9, threw 2 2-3 scoreless innings for the win. Former Atlanta pitcher, Derek Liliquist, 3-9, took the loss.

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

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Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is maintaining his defensive posture by blasting Presidents Bush and Gorbachev in advance of their mini-summit in Finland. Saddam told the superpower leaders they would be well-advised to keep out of the Persian Gulf. Among the threats the Iraqi leader made was the unity of the region's 200-Million Arabs against outside intervention.

Moscow and Bonn have agreed in principle for West Germany to pay part of the cost of removing Soviet troops from East Germany. But the two

governments have NOT agreed on how much money Bonn will come up with. Government sources say the Soviets want about six-point-five BILLION dollars to withdraw and relocate Red Army troops, while Bonn insists on a lower sum.

The contestant from Illinois walked off with the crown at the 70th anniversary Miss America contest. Marjorie Judith Vincent, a third-year law student at Duke University, was named the winner to cap a two-hour nationally broadcast program. Vincent wants to practice international law and assist in the economic development of her parents' homeland of Haiti.

A crowd estimated at more than 100-thousand people gathered in the Zambian capital Saturday to protest President Kenneth Kuanda's 26 years in power. The demonstrators chanted slogans against Kuanda's ruling United Independence Party while anti-government activists called for quick reforms. A vote is slated next August to determine if Zambia will allow more than one political party.

The young man from Utah who was stabbed to death in a New York subway while defending his parents last week was laid to rest Saturday in Provo, Utah. 22-year-old Brian Watkins was remembered as a person who enjoyed helping others. His brother recalled the time Watkins bought a dozen donuts for a New Yorker who said he hadN'T eaten in days. A man from Brooklyn asked the family NOT to blame all New Yorkers for Watkins' death.

A quartet of inmates at the Tennessee State Penitentiary have turned the heads of record industry folks in Nashville. The group The New Faith Singers is putting the finishing touches on a record lined up by Warner Brothers. The singers came together under the watchful eye of prison visitor Moses Dillard, a songwriter-preacher. UNlike other recording groups, it is NOT likely The New Faith Singers will take their show on the road if their sound catches on.

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BEIJING (SEPT. 9) UPI - Former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger told China's Communist Party leader Sunday that repairing Sino-U.S. relations is in both nation's interest and should not be based on granting ''favors '' Chinese officials said.

Kissinger met with Communist Party General Secretary Jiang Zemin and President Yang Shangkun on the last day of a three-day visit to China. He refused to answer questions from reporters, leaving Chinese officials to quote him on his talks.

U.S. Embassy officials said Kissinger's visit was technically private. The former secretary, who spearheaded President Richard Nixon's reopening to

China in the early 1970s, has a consulting firm doing a range of business involving China.

Kissinger, however, told Jiang his visit was ''to promote the restoration and development of Sino-U.S. relations,'' Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Jin Guihua told reporters after the talks at the Zhongnanhai leadership compound in downtown Beijing.

Relations between Washington and Beijing have been generally poor since the Chinese government's June 1989 suppression of the democracy movement, after which President Bush suspended high-level official visits to Beijing and imposed economic sanctions.

Speaking with Jiang, ''Mr. Kissinger said the speedy restoration and develpment of Sino-U.S. relations is in keeping with the fundamental interest of the two countries, but this does not mean who grants whom favors,'' Jin said.

Since relations palled, both Washington and Beijing have struggled for concessions from one another to edge back together, with the Chinese seeking a resumption of economic benefits and U.S. officials demanding China improve its human rights record.

Ironically, the Gulf crisis has given China an opportunity to end its international isolation. As one of five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council, China has so far supported sanctions against Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait and has also suspended its lucrative arms sales to Baghdad.

''Under the new international situation, the relations between China and the United States seem very important,'' Jin quoted Kissinger as saying.

Jiang told Kissinger that China hopes ''to resume normal Sino-U.S. relations as soon as possible through the joint efforts of both sides. This is in keeping with the fundamental interests of China and the United States.''

The substance of Kissinger's discussions with the Chinese leaders was not disclosed, but he also met with key economic officials, including State Planning Commission chief Zou Jiahua and Shanghai Mayor Zhu Rongji.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 9) UPI - An 11-year-old girl wounded by a stray bullet as she slept in her bed in a Brooklyn apartment became the latest child victim of random gunfire, police said Sunday.

The girl, who was not identified, was struck in the back by a bullet fired by a group of men arguing in front of her family's apartment in East New York, said Sgt. Nick Vreeland, a police spokesman.

The girl was asleep in a bedroom that faced the street when the bullet came through the window at 10:40 p.m. Saturday, Vreeland said.

She was taken to Brookdale Hospital where she was in stable condition.

The girl's grandmother and four brothers and sisters were in other parts of the apartment at the time of the shooting.

Police were searching for about five men in their 20s witnesses saw flee from the scene, Vreeland said.

The girl was the 15th child shot by a stray bullet since July 22 when a 9-year-old girl asleep alongside her mother in her family's car was shot and killed only blocks away from the latest shooting. Five of the children have died.

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#90252u0246 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (SEPT. 9) UPI - Barbara Bush implied Sunday that the Soviet Union has become part of the ''free world'' as Washington and Moscow work together toward a resolution of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Mrs. Bush, on a tour of the National Library of Finland with Raisa Gorbachev, said the two first ladies' husbands had come to Helsinki to try to avert widespread violence in the Middle East.

While President Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev met at the Finnish Presidential Palace, their wives had tea with Finnish first lady Tellervo Koivistso and then visited the neoclassical 19th century national library.

About 200 Helsinki residents greeted Mrs. Bush and Mrs. Gorbachev outside the Presidential Palace, some of them shouting ''Barbara, Barbara'' or ''Raisa, Raisa.''

''I hope our husbands, along with the rest of the free world, will work hard to make peace,'' Mrs. Bush told reporters at the library. ''I think there is a solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Otherwise, we wouldn't be here.''

Mrs. Bush's comment, apparently including the Soviet Union in the free world, was yet another indication of the remarkable change in relations between the two superpowers, whose already improving ties have been

further strengthened by their common response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

Mrs. Gorbachev said that ''we will leave the answer to this question to the leaders of our two states, but, like all people and as citizens of our countries, we want a peaceful and political solution to this problem.''

The library visited by the first ladies was designed by Carl Ludvig Engel, the renowned Finnish architect who created the center of Helsinki. The library, part of the University of Helsinki, was completed during the reign of Russian Czar Nicholas I in 1840, when Finland was a grand duchy in the Russian Empire.

The evidently warm relationship between Mrs. Bush, who wore a royal blue dress and her trademark pearl necklace, and Mrs. Gorbachev was in marked contrast to the cool relations between the Soviet first lady and Nancy Reagan during the Reagan administration.

The red-haired Mrs. Gorbachev, wearing a gray dress with black buttons and a purple blouse, reflected domestic political pressures in her country in a comment during the library tour.

Chief librarian Esko Hakli, showing the two first ladies a 19th century map of Russia in the library's cartography collection, referred to the Asian part of the huge land that stretches across 11 time zones from the Baltic Sea to the Pacific Ocean.

''There is only one Russia, not an Asian Russia and a European Russia,'' Mrs. Gorbachev quickly remarked.

Mikhail Gorbachev has faced strong challenges to his central government as local authorities within Russia and the other Soviet republics assert their newfound rights under his political reforms.

Mrs. Bush had commented on American domestic political pressures Saturday when she visited the ancient city of Porvoo near Helsinki before the Gorbachevs arrived Saturday evening.

Mrs. Bush defended her husband's decision to take his annual August vacation in Maine in the midst of the Persian Gulf crisis, saying: ''He was not going to become a hostage in Washington to that dreadful man,'' Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The first lady said that President Bush spent much of his vacation talking with advisers by phone about the gulf crisis.

#90252u0273 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 9) UPI - Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said Sunday he was confident the four World War II victorious powers will give a formal go-ahead for Oct. 3 German unification when they meet in Moscow this week.

Genscher pointed out, however, that Germany will only become a fully sovereign state after the agreement receives parliamentary ratification, a process that could last several months.

It had been assumed earlier that the wartime allies would give up their occupational rights over Germany and give the country full sovereignty on Oct. 3.

But Western diplomats said that Soviet officials insisted the agreement due to be signed in Moscow Wednesday will have to be ratified later by the Soviet parliament.

Genscher said the agreement on the external aspects of unification will also need the backing of an all-German parliament.

The Moscow meeting is expected to be the final round of the negotiations, known as two-plus-four because of the participation of the two German foreign ministers and their counterparts from the four powers - Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States.

Officials said the agreement was nearly complete, although the Soviet Union was still seeking guarantees that Germany's allies will not carry out military maneuvers on East German territory and that no nuclear-capable weapons systems will be deployed there.

Under terms of the agreement, Germany will be a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, but no NATO troops will be deployed on East German territory until the withdrawal of Soviet troops is completed, within the next four years.

Genscher said he discussed the outstanding issues by telephone with his Soviet counterpart, Eduard Shevardnadze, and with Secretary of State James Baker Friday and Saturday.

''I believe that we will sign the final document on Wednesday,'' he told the Berliner Morgenpost newspaper.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev are also due to talk by telephone Monday to discuss Germany's participation in the costs of withdrawing the 380,000 soldiers.

Unconfirmed reports indicate the Soviet Union wants Germany to pay $11.5

billion but that Bonn is only prepared to pay about $4.5 billion.

''This is practically the price of German unification,'' Genscher said Saturday.

But in the interview published Sunday in the West Berlin daily, he added that ''It is not a question of buying German unity...''

Soviet Deputy Prime Minister Stepan Sitarjan and West German Finance Minister Theo Waigel agreed last Thursday at a meeting in Bonn on an outline for a Soviet-German agreement.

Under the agreement, a united Germany would carry part of the costs involved in pulling the troops back and would also participate in the construction of new buildings to house the returning soldiers in the Soviet Union.

In an interview with West German radio Sunday, Kohl pointed out that Soviet troops - fighting Adolf Hitler's Nazi troops - had reached Germany in 1944.

''In 1994 they will have been here for 50 years and I consider, to put it plainly, that it is not only a long time, but that it is also quite enough '' he said.

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#90252u0304 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

KAMPALA, UGANDA (SEPT. 9) UPI - The Organization of African Unity called for international pressure to end fighting in South Africa and appealed for help in ending the suffering for the people of Liberia caught up in a civil war.

The statements were issued late Saturday at the end of a one-day mini-summit of the OAU ad hoc committee on southern Africa in Kampala.

The conference, attended by delegates from 15 African countries, called on the international community to put pressure on the South African government to stop the fighting in African townships around Johannesburg which has claimed hundreds of lives in recent weeks.

It condemned the role of the police ''for its encouragement and active involvement in the violence,'' and said the South African regime could not be exonerated from responsibility for the wanton killings and destruction.

The committee appealed to blacks to close ranks and present a united front. ''If this situation is allowed to continue, it will be detrimental to the anti-apartheid struggle,'' it said.

The conference also issued a statement on the civil war in Liberia. It called on the warring factions to observe an immediate cease-fire and to cooperate with the ECOWAS peace-keeping forces so that a peaceful transition to an elected government could be acheived.

''The needs of the Liberian people are basic and very urgent and it is hoped that the international community would give this serious unfolding tragedy the priority it merits,'' the statement said.

The conference also repeated pleas for the international community not to relax pressure on the South African government and to maintain sanctions against it.

Measures taken in the right direction by the South African government, the communique said, were too few and ineffectual.

''The South African apartheid regime has not conceded that majority rule nor that the new South Africa should be a united, democratic and non-racial society,'' the statement said.

''In essence, little of substance has been achieved.''

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#90252u0330 09/09/1990 ~United Press International
CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 9) UPI - A senior exiled Kuwaiti diplomat said Sunday President Saddam Hussein of Iraq was challenging the entire world and called on the international community to put a stop to his dangerous policies.

The diplomat also confirmed reports from Saudi Arabia that Iraqi occupation forces have been moving Iraqi civilians into occupied Kuwait.

In related developments, the exiled Emir of Kuwait sent two messages to the U.S. and Soviet presidents in Helsinki urging them to take decisive action against Iraqi for its aggression against his country.

''The people of Kuwait await from this meeting a decisive stance to ensure right prevails and for the defeat of aggression,'' Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah said in his message to President Bush.

Sheikh Jaber, who has lived in exile in Saudi Arabia since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of his country, also expressed appreciation for the ''responsible role of the Soviet Union'' toward Iraq.

''We are quite confident that the summit will adopt whatever action is necessary to maintain the international legitimacy and to force the

aggressor to withdraw his forces from Kuwait,'' Sheikh Jaber's message to Bush said.

''Saddam's message is not only a challenge to the presidents of the two superpowers, but a challenge to the entire world community,'' Kuwait's Ambassador in Cairo, Abdulrazaq al-Kandari, told United Press International in an interview.

''It is a message that challenges U.N. resolutions and all goodwill offices exerted to find a peaceful solution to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait,'' Al Kandari said.

The Kuwaiti diplomat was reacting to Saddam's message to Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev broadcast on Iraqi radio and television late Saturday.

Saddam said any military operation in the Gulf would be futile and not practical.

''Saddam's message is a rejection to the political solutions laid down by the U.N and the Arab world to solve the crisis,'' Al Kandari added.

''The message is more evidence that the Iraqi regime has no intention whatsover of cooperating with the sincere peace efforts aimed at finding a solution to the crisis,'' he said.

''It is now the responsibility of the world community to take whatever measures are needed to stop the Iraqi aggression against Kuwait,'' the exiled ambassador said.

He confirmed reports from Saudi Arabia that Iraq has begun to settle Iraqi civilians in Kuwait after forcing Kuwaitis to flee their homes.

''Settling the Iraqis is not new,'' Al Kandari said. ''It began in the early days of the Iraqi invasion.''

The Kuwaiti diplomat also said Iraqi occupation forces have begun changing the names of streets and places in occupied Kuwait.

He said, for example, the Al Sabah hospital in Kuwait, considered one of the oldest hospitals in the oil-rich country, has been renamed Saddam hospital.

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#90252u0335 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

SIDON, LEBANON (SEPT. 9) UPI - Followers of Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat gained the upper hand Sunday against

gunmen of renegade leader Abu Nidal in fierce battles that have killed at least 68 people, security sources said.

The sources said Arafat's men gained supremacy over Abu Nidal's Fatah Revolutionary Council after storming a school that was occupied by the rebels on the edges of Ein El Helweh camp southeast of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut.

Three people were killed and 20 others were wounded in a battle for control of the building, bringing the death toll from three days of violence to 68 dead and 220 wounded, the sources said.

The PLO Saturday claimed its followers ''wiped out'' the military presence of the FRC inside El Helweh, but the rebels appeared to have maintained some positions Sunday.

FRC sources said Arafat's guerrillas launched a series of attacks at sunrise against rebel positions around the slum region. They said that an attacking field commander was killed in the confrontations.

Police said the rival groups exchanged large-caliber artillery and rocket fire from dawn to noon, damaging properties and setting cars and houses afire.

FRC gunners dug into hillside positions and sent barrages of rockets crashing into the camp.

Late Sunday, a precarious calm englufed the camp and Sidon, the nearby port city where the FRC occupies several buildings.

The FRC, which advocates extremist methods, is on good terms with pro-Iranian fundamentalist militias based in Sidon.

The violence has put Mustafa Saad, a Lebanese Sunni Moslem figure who has small militia that patrols the port city, in a delicate position, observers said.

Saad, according to the pro-Syrian Ash-Shiraa magazine, has recently sought to establish cooperation with the FRC and the fundamentalists at the expense of his longtime alliance with Arafat.

It was the second major blow this year against the FRC, founded by Abu Nidal when he broke away from the PLO's mainstreeam Fatah 17 years ago. The rebel leader, whose real name is Sabri Al Banna, advocates terrorist methods.

Last June, Arafat's followers defeated the FRC in Rashidiyeh, the second largest Palestinian base in southern Lebanon, which is located on the

outskirts of the port of Tyre, 46 miles south of Beirut.

Abu Nidal, who maintains bases in Syrian-policed west Beirut, eastern and northern Lebanon, is wanted in several Western nations for a series of terrorist attacks worldwide.

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Aberdeen cy	1pm	63	17
Amsterdam pc	1pm	64	18
Ankara pc	3pm	83	28
Athens c	2pm	86	30
Auckland c	12m	45	07
Beijing cy	8pm	72	22
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin r	1pm	59	15
Bonn pc	1pm	62	17
Brussels pc	1pm	65	18
Cairo c	2pm	88	31
Casablanca pc	12n	74	24
Copenhagen r	1pm	62	17
Dakar cy	12n	87	30
Dublin pc	1pm	65	19
Geneva pc	1pm	63	17
Helsinki cy	2pm	58	15
Hong Kong r	8pm	81	27
Jerusalem c	2pm	76	25
Karachi pc	5pm	90	32
Lisbon pc	1pm	73	23
London pc	1pm	67	19
Madrid cy	1pm	69	21
Malta pc	1pm	84	29
Manila cy	8pm	82	28
Moscow cy	3pm	66	19
Nairobi pc	3pm	77	25
Nassau c	7am	81	27
New Delhi pc	6pm	89	31
Nice c	1pm	79	26
Oslo cy	1pm	61	16
Paris pc	1pm	67	19
Pretoria c	2pm	82	28
Riyadh	3pm	108	42
Rome c	1pm	79	26

Seoul pc	9pm	75	24
Sofia pc	2pm	67	20
Stockholm r	1pm	53	12
Sydney c	10pm	56	14
Taipei cy	8pm	78	26
Tokyo pc	9pm	77	25
Tunis pc	1pm	91	33
Vienna r	1pm	6r	18
Warsaw cy	1pm	56	13
Latin America			
Buenos Aires pc	9am	58	14
Caracas c	8am	74	24
Havana c	7am	76	24
Lima cy	7am	59	15
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	75	24
Santiago pc	8am	45	07
Canada			
Calgary c		48	09
Edmonton		--	-
Montreal pc		52	11
Ottawa pc		45	07
Regina pc		46	08
Toronto pc		50	10
Vancouver		--	-
Winnipeg c		43	06

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90252u0370 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 9) UPI - Police fired shotgun blasts and tear gas to separate warring black factions in the satellite city of Soweto Sunday, ending a weekend of fighting in the country's largest township that left 26 dead and 17 wounded, police and witnesses said.

A Soweto police spokesman said it was impossible to determine where all the victims had died, but most appeared to have been killed since midnight Friday in an area encompassing a squatter camp, a Zulu hostel and a

railway line.

Police also reported recovering four bodies in the eastern township of Vosloorus Sunday, ushering in a sixth week of urban strife that has left more than 600 dead in black townships surrounding Johannesburg.

Police said the four in Vosloorus were all found stabbed to death in a mini-bus.

Residents reported fighters of the exclusively Zulu movement Inkatha swept through Soweto's squatter camp in Tladi Saturday night, demolishing shacks and attacking residents. Police said a number of bodies were found outside a nearby Zulu migrant worker hostel.

Groups of women covered the bodies with blankets and shielded them from the sun with umbrellas Sunday until a police van arrived to take them away.

Throughout the day, angry Soweto residents, accusing police of complicity in the killings, erected roadblocks of debris, hurled stones and petrol bombs at police and sabotaged power boxes and signal equipment on a railway line running through the area.

Police retaliated with bursts of shotgun fire and tear gas to chase away mobs of demonstrators.

A police spokesman described the situation elsewhere in Soweto, the country's most densely populated city, as ''quiet but tense.''

South African Council of Churches General Secretary Frank Chikane toured the squatter area Sunday and reiterated charges that police have openly sided with Inkatha in clashes against supporters of the African National Congress.

State-run radio reported police have confirmed they are investigating allegations that whites either wearing ski masks or black paint have been involved in the outbreak of violence in the townships surrounding Johanneburg.

The announcement followed allegations that a ''third force'' involving several white men was seen last Tuesday with alleged Inkatha supporters who attacked a hostel in the black township of Sebokeng, killing as many as 25 people.

The radio said witnesses also had reported white involvement in a shooting incident at a Johannesburg railway station Thursday night in which six people were killed.

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#90252u0383 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 9) UPI - A 30-year-old woman found stabbed to death in her apartment may be the victim of a serial killer believed responsible for the slayings of eight other women in Northeast Philadelphia, police said Sunday.

Police called to the scene Saturday afternoon found the woman's partially nude body on the floor of her apartment in the city's Frankford section. She had at least 17 stab wounds and lacerations to the back, chest, stomach and face, police Sgt. Johnny Johnson said.

The woman, whose name was not released, was likely killed early Friday, Johnson said, referring to a preliminary report by the city medical examiner.

The multiple stab wounds and the profile of the victim are similar to the slayings of eight other area women over the last five years, Johnson said.

''The other young women killed in that area were killed in a similar manner,'' Johnson said. ''The fact is that she was stabbed multiple times. That's the biggest similarity with the other ''biggest s

Some of the victims had been sexually assaulted and an autopsy scheduled for Sunday was to determine whether the latest victim had been raped, Johnson said.

Like the latest victim, many of the slain women were frequent patrons of neighborhood bars, Johnson said. Police speculate that the killer may have picked up several of the victims in area bars and then killed them in their apartments.

The latest victim's apartment showed no traces of forced entry, Johnson said.

A 38-year-old man has been charged in the April slaying of Carol Dowd, who was believed to be the eighth victim of the serial killer. Dowd's body was found in an alley three blocks from the site of the latest slaying.

Leonard Christopher has been charged only with Dowd's death, but police sources have said he is a suspect in the other slayings. Christopher has been jailed without bail since May.

The seven other victims, ranging in age from 28 to 62, were killed between August 1985 and January 1989.

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#90252u0407 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

YAMOUSSOUKRO, IVORY COAST (SEPT. 9) UPI - Four British journalists were arrested by soldiers Sunday morning, hours before Pope John Paul II was due to arrive in the country to open a controversial multi-million dollar basilica built by President Felix Houphouet-Boigny.

The four, all of whom work for the British Broadcasting Corp, were arrested 100 miles north of Yamoussoukro, President Houphouet-Boigny's hometown and the site of the $200 million Basilica of Our Lady of Peace.

The journalists were arrested in the village of Bonan, where they traveled in connection with a film they were making on the growth of democracy in the country. Permission to make the film was granted by the Ivorian Information Ministry.

The BBC team had arranged to meet in Bonan with leaders of the Ivorian Popular Front party, one of 20 political groups the government legalized in June after a series of strikes demanding an end to the country's one-party system.

When the journalists arrived in Bonan, they were met by an army lieutenant whom they said told them he had been sent to prevent them from filming a village political meeting.

The journalists said they refused to leave the village and then were arrested and bundled into their vehicle. They said they were driven out of the village under military escort and released after two hours.

''It was very disappointing to see that our first attempt to film the political opposition in action was prevented,'' said Giselle Portenier, a senior BBC producer who was one of those arrested.

The other three arrested were correspondent Peter Godwin, cameraman Richard Lennox and sound engineer Paul Keyworthy.

Widespread social unrest throughout the past eight months and accusations of rampant corruption in government forced Houphouet-Boigny last July to accept plans for multi-party democracy.

His 30-year rule is to come to an effective end when elections are held later this year. But throughout the months of unrest he has insisted on finishing the basilica.

Houphouet-Boigny, 84, claims he financed the ambitious $200 million church which took three years to build, from his own pocket. But critics allege the money was syphoned from state coffers.

The president, a devout Roman Catholic, announced in 1989 that he would

give the building to the pope as a gift.

Six months later John Paul said he would accept the gift, but only if the president built a new hospital and a school. Diplomatic sources said the pope evidently was embarrassed by the cost of building the church at a time when the Ivory Coast has foreign debt worth $14 billion.

During his visit, the pontiff is scheduled to lay foundations for the new hospital and for a Roman Catholic university at Yamoussoukro.

Thousands of Africans began streaming to Yammoussoukro Saturday eager to see Pope John Paul II consecrate the edifice that towers above the surrounding cocoa plantations and mud huts.

The completed structure is taller than St. Peter's Basilica. Its dome is three times bigger than that of St. Paul's Cathedral in London. There are 7.4 acres of polished Italian marble and 272 pillars in the building, which has seating for 7,000 worshippers.

In all, 2,000 construction workers toiled around-the-clock in 10- hour shifts for three years to complete the building.

Apart from the basilica, the main landmark in Yammoussoukro is an enormous walled presidential palace filled with priceless paintings and gold sculptures. A moat containing the presidential crocodiles surrounds the palace.

The basilica has been the focus of much protest by the opposition parties. Many regard it as an example of the excesses of one-party rule in a country with growing division between rich and poor.

The pontiff is to arrive in the Ivory Coast Sunday evening on the final leg of a 10-day African tour. It will be his third visit to the West African country where 10 percent of the population is Roman Catholic.

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#90252u0419 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

GAINESVILLE, FL (SEPT. 9) UPI - A knife hidden in a milk carton has been found at the home of a major suspect in the stabbing deaths of five college students, it was reported Sunday.

The Gainesville Sun, citing unidentified sources familiar with the probe, reported that investigators had been told by Edward Lewis Humphrey where to look for the knife in the Indialantic, Fla., home owned by his grandmother.

The knife was found Thursday, the newspaper reported. It was confiscated,

along with books, videotape and clothing, the Sun said. Tests were scheduled to try to determine if the knife was linked to the killings.

The task force of state, federal and local law agencies investigating the killings in an area near the University of Florida renewed their criticism of leaks to news organizations, including a weekend report that Humphrey admitted to having knowledge of the first two killings.

''I think (this) is pretty raunchy journalism,'' said Lt. Sadie Darnell, spokeswoman for the Gainesville Police Department.

''The media is releasing details with little regard as to whether they are true or not,'' Darnell said. The task force refused to confirm or deny published reports based on leaked information.

The bodies of the five slain college students - four of them attended the University of Florida - were all found in their Gainesville apartments between Aug. 26 and Aug. 28. All five victims lived within 2 miles of each other and within 2 miles of the university campus.

All five were stabbed to death, and some of their bodies were mutilated.

Humphrey, 18, a part-time University of Florida student who police say is one of eight suspects, reportedly told investigators where to find the knife shortly after his arrest Aug. 30 on unrelated charges of beating his grandmother.

He is still being held at the Brevard County Detention Center on $1 million bond in that assault, but has not been charged in the Gainesville case.

The Florida Times-Union has reported that, during an interview with investigators last week, Humphrey named someone he said killed the first two victims: Christina Powell, 17, and Sonja Larson, 18.

The two University of Florida students were found stabbed to death Aug. 26 in their Gainesville apartment.

The Times-Union said investigators believe that ''John,'' the person Humphrey named, is one of the multiple personalities he has appeared to exhibit. Humphrey reportedly made the statement to Florida Department of Law Enforcement investigators while held on the charges involving his grandmother.

Darnell said investigators expect defense attorneys to challenge the admissibility of any statements Humphrey has made if he is charged in the Gainesville case. She said the task force has developed a strategy to deal with such a defense move, but would not say what the strategy is.

Investigators took hair and blood samples from Humphrey Thursday, but police would not comment on reports they were awaiting DNA test results. Such tests, which can help identify the killer, usually take six to eight weeks.

Police have also said they found ''promising'' evidence when they searched Humphrey's Gainesville apartment, his grandmother's home in Indialantic and his car, but they have refused to disclose any details about the searches.

Besides Powell and Larson, the Gainesville victims were Christina Hoyt, 18 Tracy Paules, 23 and Manuel Taboada, 23. Hoyt was a student at Santa Fe Community College.

In addition to Humphrey, police have identified Stephen Michael Bates, 30, as a suspect. Bates is jailed in Bartow, Fla., on unrelated assault charges.

He was arrested Aug. 29, the day after the last bodies were found in Gainesville, on charges of breaking into a Lakeland home and pointing a butcher knife at a sleeping woman and her daughter.

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#90252u0428 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 9) UPI - Police were investigating Sunday whether a spectator fell, jumped or was pushed to his death from an upper deck at Veterans Stadium during a game between the Philadelphia Phillies and the New York Mets.

The 35-year-old man, whose name was not released, plummeted about 60 feet from the stadium's upper deck onto a concrete landing about 8 p.m. Saturday during the third inning of the baseball game, police detectives said.

The man was pronounced dead at the scene by emergency rescue squads.

Stadium security guards said they had warned the man away from the upper-deck railing earlier in the evening, police said. Police have so far been unable to locate anyone who accompanied the man to the stadium.

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - The one-day superpower summit is in full swing in Helsinki, Finland, today. Presidents Bush and Gorbachev broke for lunch after a two-and-a-half-hour one-on-one meeting that included only their

note-takers and translators. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the first session was ''very good'' and in his words- ''We are united'' on how to deal with the Persian Gulf crisis.

The State Department says about 300 former hostages left Amman, Jordan, last night and are scheduled to arrive in the United States sometime this afternoon. The Boeing 747 is carrying mostly American women and children who were airlifted out of Kuwait Friday and yesterday on two U-S-chartered Iraqi jets.

Pope John Paul today prayed for Presidents Bush and Gorbachev to find a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis during their summit in Helsinki. The pontiff's words came at the end of an open-air mass in the capital city of Kigali in the African nation of Rwanda. The pope is on a 10-day tour of Africa.

New York police say an 11-year-old girl was shot and wounded by a stray bullet as she slept in her bed in a Brooklyn apartment last night. The UNidentified girl was struck in the back by a bullet fired by a group of men arguing in front of her family's apartment. A police spokesman says the child is hospitalized in stable condition. The girl is the 15th child shot by stray gunfire in New York City since July 22nd.

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - New York City Mayor David Dinkins is scheduled to deliver a speech today at St. Patrick's Cathedral, calling on New Yorkers to join together to fight crime. The mayor is urging citizens to team up with anti-crime groups and lobby their legislators for tighter national gun control laws. The city's crime-stained reputation has been topped by a summer of violence that includes the deaths of five children by stray bullets.

The new Miss America 1991 says race NO longer is an issue in the annual pageant. Miss Illinois, Marjorie Judith Vincent, was crowned Miss America last night in Atlantic City and became the fourth black woman to hold the coveted title. 25-year-old Vincent is a third-year student at Duke University who wants to practice international law and assist in the economic development of Haiti, her parents' birthplace.

Mother Teresa says she's coming out of retirement following her surprise re-election as head of the Missionaries of Charity. The 80- year-old Roman Catholic nun stepped down as head of the order five months ago because of ill health, but says she feels it's ''God's will'' for her to continue. Mother Teresa won the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize for her work with the dying and the destitute.

The New Faith Singers are on their way to cutting a record for Warner Brothers, but this is one group you're NOT likely to see on any concert tour. The gospel group consists of inmates sentenced to life at the Tennessee State Penitentiary. The group's leader, songwriter- preacher Moses Dillard, says he originally went to the prison hoping to create a sense of community through Bible study. Quoting one inmate- ''Moses sold us on believing in ourselves.''

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev says his first session today with President Bush was ''good'' and that he was ''satisfied.'' White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the meeting mainly focused on the Persian Gulf crisis. He said the United States and Soviet Union are ''firm and together'' on how to deal with Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait. Bush and Gorbachev are to meet again for several hours later today.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency reports Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz flew to Tehran today and was met by his Iranian counterpart, Ali Akbar Velayati. Aziz is the first high-ranking Iraqi official to visit Iran since the Islamic revolution in 1979 and the start of the eight-year Iran-Iraq war in 1980.

New York police say an 11-year-old girl was shot by random gunfire last night as she lay sleeping in her family's Brooklyn apartment. A police spokesman says the girl was sleeping in a bedroom that faced the street when a stray bullet fired by a group of men came through the window and struck her in the back. She is hospitalized in stable condition and authorities are looking for about five men who witnesses say fled from the scene.

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The girl is the 15th New York child shot by random gunfire recently- a fact certain NOT to be missed by New York Mayor David Dinkins when he speaks at St. Patrick's Cathedral this morning Dinkins will urge New Yorkers to band together to fight violence. The mayor says citizens must ''organize and mobilize to take back our streets.'' Quoting now- ''Come out from behind the locks on your doors and the bars on your windows... to help stop the violence.''

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - Ellis Island shows off its new face today when it re-opens as the National Museum of Immigration. The island will serve as a memorial honoring some 12-Million immigrants who passed through its doors

on their way to a new life in America. The island's Main Building was completely restored during an eight-year make-over that cost 160-Million dollars raised by the Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation.

NASA engineers will begin repairing the shuttle Columbia today in an effort to keep the spaceplane on track for a September 17th launch. Engineers yesterday removed foam insulation from around leaking fuel pumps in Columbia's engine room. The shuttle has been grounded three times because of a hydrogen fuel leak. Engineers now believe there were two leaks but only one was repaired.

A herd of 16 buffalo are roaming around Lafayette, New York, but officials say there's NOT much they can do until they're able to steer the animals back to their pasture. The buffaloes recently broke loose from a fenced-in area on an Indian reservation. The large buffaloes haveN'T caused any accidents, but they have stopped traffic on Interstate 81 and frightened children.

Miss Illinois, Marjorie Judith Vincent, is the new Miss America 1991. The 25-year-old Duke University law student was crowned last night during the annual pageant in Atlantic City. Vincent is the fourth black woman to hold the coveted title. She says she would like to help with the economic development of her parents' native Haiti and increase public awareness about battered women.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 10) UPI - The average price for a gallon of gasoline at retail outlets increased nationally more than 2 cents over the past two weeks and future prices are impossible to predict due to the Middle East crisis, an industry analyst said Sunday.

Trilby Lundberg, director of the Lundberg Survey, said a survey Friday of gasoline prices at more than 13,000 retail outlets nationwide showed the average price for a gallon of gasoline, including taxes, was 135.44 cents, up 2.28 cents per gallon, compared to a similar survey conducted Aug. 24.

''That is a very strong price behavior for this time of year, although it sets no precedent,'' Lundberg said. ''Prices are often pulled down at this time of year due to the end of the summer driving season. The peak consumer demands are in July and August and the price normally dips due to the drop in consumption.''

''This year,'' she said, ''it is impossible to say how much the lower consumption impact will have on retail prices. The higher prices for crude and refined products are still at work in the domestic and international markets due to the Middle East crisis.''

Over the past month, the average price for a gallon of gasoline in all grades has increased 7.5 cents across the nation.

In the latest survey, the price for a gallon of unleaded regular gasoline at self-service pumps was 124.28 cents; premium unleaded gasoline at self-service outlets was 140.99 cents per gallon; and regular leaded at self-service outlets was 123.74 cents per gallon.

At full-service pumps, the price for unleaded regular was 146.91 cents per gallon; premium unleaded was 160.60 cents per gallon; and regular leaded was 146.78 cents per gallon.

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LONDON (SEPT. 9) UPI - A chartered Iraqi Airways jumbo jet carrying over 400 Britons, Americans and other foreigners from Iraq and Kuwait headed to Britain from Baghdad Sunday, officials said.

A spokesman at Britain's Foreign Office said 229 Britons, 165 Americans and 44 people of other nationalities were aboard the jet, which was expected to arrive at Gatwick airport outside London in early evening.

Those aboard the flight were mostly women and children, officials said.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman said he expected the Americans on the flight would spend the night in the British capital before returning to the United States.

The flight was expected to be the last major airlift of Britons, although smaller evacuations may be organized later this week.

''We think this is probably the last big block of British subjects out of Kuwait, British women and children that is, '' Britain's ambassador to Baghdad Harold Walker told the British Broadcasting Corp.

Meanwhile, in Charleston, S.C., customs officials, health workers, psychiatrists and other welcomers waited to greet 316 Americans returning to the United States from occupied Kuwait.

About 150 representatives of various federal and South Carolina agencies awaited the arrival of the Northwest Orient Airlines 747, chartered by the U.S. government after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein decided to allow foreign women and children to leave Kuwait, which Iraq invaded Aug. 2.

The total number of women and children who arrived in Amman from Kuwait and Baghdad Friday and Saturday was 316, all Americans, authorities in the

Jordanian capital said. Some were American-Arab men. They all left together for the United States Sunday.

Another 100 British women and children may be moved out of Iraq and Kuwait later this week, officials said.

The BBC said the British women and children aboard the flight had been separated from their husbands and fathers by Iraqi authorities.

Among those still stuck in Iraq and Kuwait are 6,000 Soviets, most of them men, including about 150 military technicians assigned to the Iraqi armed forces, the BBC said.

Depending on how Iraqi President Saddam Hussein interprets the results of the Helsinki summit, those Soviets could also be subject to the same fate as Westerners still detained in Iraq and Kuwait.

About 30 French men and 30 Britons have been moved by Iraqi authorities to strategic installations in the region within the past three days, the BBC said.

The Americans aboard the Iraqi jet are among some 2,200 women and children the U.S. is hoping to airlift from Iraq, leaving behind an estimated 900 men.

Saddam has said that Western women and children will be allowed to leave the country, but that men must remain behind at key economic and military installations to ensure the Western forces will not attack.

Meanwhile, thousands of foreigners still remain in Iraq and Kuwait.

French officials have said between 420 and 430 French citizens are still being held there, while about 70 French women and children are believed to have decided to stay with their menfolk or to be en route out of the country by what the French Foreign Ministry has called ''private routes.''

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#90252u0618 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, AK (SEPT. 9) UPI - Two small planes collided in the air near Denali National Park, crashing into rugged terrain in bad weather, the Federal Aviation Administration said Sunday.

A spokesman for the Alaska State Troopers said it was believed each plane had one pilot and no passengers.

The mid-air collision occurred Saturday afternoon 13 miles east of Denali park, an FAA duty officer said. A rescue helicopter found the crash site

before dark but there was nowhere to land near the wreckage, he said.

The FAA said rescuers on horseback were attempting to reach the crash site Sunday.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 9) UPI - America's newest citizens and a handful of its oldest Sunday honored the vision and fortitude of the million of immigrants who left their native lands and launched new lives by first setting foot on Ellis Island.

In view of the Statue of Liberty, Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia led 46 adults and three children in the oath of citizenship as part of the celebration honoring the opening of a refurbished Ellis Island, where some 12 million immigrants passed through on their way to becoming Americans.

Vice President Dan Quayle - substituting for President Bush, who canceled a long-planned appearance to meet Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in Helsinki - recalled the impact of immigration on the nation during the opening day festivities on the tiny island.

Ellis Island, in New York Harbor near the New Jersey shoreline and adjacent to Liberty Island, home of the Statue of Liberty, opens to the public Monday.

''I wish every one of today's Americans could make a pilgrimage here,'' Quayle said. ''We all need to feel the extraordinary human drama that still pulses within these walls.

''What we celebrate in Ellis Island is nothing more than the triumph of the American spirit,'' the vice president said. ''We must hold in our hearts and memories our immigrant ancestors.''

Quayle also made reference to U.S. soldiers deployed to the Persian Gulf, saying that they are there ''to ensure that our freedom endures forever.''

Standing by the Wall of Honor, where the names of some 200,000 immigrants are etched in copper, Quayle said that, although his parents did not pass through the island's fabled halls, he shared America's pride in the museum's opening.

A nightmare for some, the gateway for new dreams for many, Ellis Island was the starting point for the families of an estimated 140 million Americans.

About 20 percent of all immigrants were detained for medical or legal

reasons while the center was in operation as an immigration station from 1892 to 1943. About 250,000 people were rejected and another 3,000 committed suicide, many simply by jumping into the harbor.

Johanna Flaherty, who emigrated from Ireland in 1923 at age 16 to escape farm life, was one of the six Ellis Island immigrants honored in person at Sunday's ceremony.

''It's really very good to see the place,'' she said. ''It was the start of my life. It's marvelous.''

Visitors will be able to enter the restored main building through the baggage room, just as immigrants did, and climb the Registry Room stairs that officials used to spot asthmatics, heart patients and others who were physically impaired.

From there, they can visit waiting rooms with original graffiti on the walls, the Special Inquiry Room where rejected immigrants would plead their cases, and a dormitory with three-tier iron pipe bunks.

Automotive executive Lee Iaccoca, who created the Statue of Liberty-Ellis Foundation that raised the $160 million used in the eight- year restoration of the island's main building, said Americans feel an emotional bond with the place where many of their ancestors first touched this country's soil.

''It's their island,'' the Chrysler Corp. chairman said. ''They paid every nickel of it. It has not a cent of tax money.''

He said donations for the restoration and the addition of names to the Wall of Honor are still arriving.

''Thousands of different names, thousands of different stories, but stick them all together and you have one huge saga. And it's our saga,'' he said.

Television correspondent Barbara Walters, who said her father came from London to settle in New York, presented Flaherty and five other immigrants who have achieved success in their adopted land with original tiles from the walls of Ellis Island.

''We're immigrants all,'' Walters said. ''It's important to remember that, for we are a nation like no other because of this diversity.''

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#90252u0656 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (SEPT. 9) UPI - Iraq's foreign minister flew to Tehran Sunday to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis and normalization of diplomatic

relations with his Iranian counterpart, Tehran radio reported.

The radio report said Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and Iran's Ali Akbar Velayati held 2 1/2 hours of talks that focused on the gulf situation resulting from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and on efforts to establish a durable peace between Iran and Iraq, which fought an eight-year war.

The official Islamic Republic News Agency said Aziz also invited Velayati to make an official visit to Baghdad.

Aziz's trip - taken at Iraq's request - made Aziz the first high- ranking Baghdad official to visit Iran since Iran's Islamic revolution in 1979 and the outbreak of the Iran-Iraq war in 1980.

The meeting apparently did not change Iran's opposition to Iraq's annexation of neighboring Kuwait.

Iraqi Oil Minister Issam Abdul Rahim al Chalabi, who accompanied Aziz on the trip, held separate discussions with Iranian Oil Minister Gholamreza Aqazadeh, IRNA reported.

Tehran radio said Iran's Supreme National Security Council held a meeting late Saturday, hours before the Iraqi delegation arrived, focusing both on Iran-Iraq relations and the gulf crisis.

A leading Iranian cleric, Ayatollah Mohammad Yazdi, hinted that Iran may break rank with the rest of the world in applying economic sanctions against Iraq.

IRNA quoted him Sunday as saying ''political disputes and even the issue of war should not overshadow humanitarian considerations such as the health of children and the security of civilians.''

Last week, the English-language Tehran Times, a newspaper that normally reflects the views of President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani, also said Iran may assist Iraq with food and medicines.

Iran has pledged to comply with U.N. Security Council sanctions against Iraq for seizing Kuwait, but the newspaper said food and medicines were not included in the sanctions.

IRNA quoted Iranian First Vice President Hassan Habibi as saying ''Iraq should withdraw from Kuwait unconditionally,'' and that the Iraq- Kuwait dispute should be settled through negotiations.

''The international borders (between Iraq and Kuwait) should on principle remain valid and we will not accept any change in the geographical status

of the region,'' Habibi said.

Tehran condemned the invasion of Kuwait and Rafsanjani said last week that Iran would not accept any change in the geography of the region. But on Friday Rafsanjani scoffed at his Arab neighbors for seeking his help after 10 years of hostility toward Iran.

Aziz flew to Tehran, at Baghdad's request, 25 days after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein accepted Iran's terms for a settlement of the dispute that led to the 1980-88 gulf war which left an estimated 1 million people dead.

In a letter to Rafsanjani Aug. 15, Saddam accepted the 1975 Algiers accord that set the southern border between the two countries down the middle of the Shatt al Arab waterway.

Saddam's move was seen as a bid to remove the danger of an Iranian attack on his flanks while his forces were faced with allied troops in Saudi Arabia opposed to his occupation of Kuwait.

Commenting on Aziz's talks in Iran, the Tehran newspaper Resalat, owned by Iranian businessmen in the traditional Bazaar or market, said Iran did not need a new agreement with Iraq since the Algiers accord was still valid.

After Saddam accepted the accord in August, Iraq withdrawn its troops from Iranian territory taken in the last days of the gulf war and the two sides began sending home prisoners of war, estimated to total 100,000, some of whom have been held for 10 years.

Iraqi troops pulled out of Iranian territory by Aug. 22, and days later Iran informed U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar that the two countries could begin discussions aimed at establishing a durable peace between them.

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#90252u0672 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

CHARLESTON, SC (SEPT. 9) UPI - Relatives and government officials anxiously awaited the arrival of 316 Americans returning to the United States from occupied Kuwait Sunday, but the flight was delayed when some passengers fell ill.

About 150 representatives of different federal and South Carolina agencies were ready for the arrival of the Northwest Orient Airlines 747, chartered by the U.S. government after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein decided to allow foreign women and children to leave Kuwait, which Iraq invaded Aug. 2.

The plane was to arrive Sunday morning at Charleston International Airport

but was unexplainably delayed in Frankfurt, West Germany, officials said.

Gloria Berbena, spokeswoman for the State Department's Kuwaiti task force, said the plane then had to make an unscheduled stop in Halifax, Nova Scotia, when a woman passenger began suffering chest pains. She was taken to a Halifax hospital, but her condition was unavailable.

Three ill children and their mother also got off the plane in Halifax.

''I don't know what the nature of their illness was,'' Berbena said. The spokeswoman also was unsure if the flight had resumed, or when it would arrive in South Carolina.

Officials in Jordan said 316 evacuees, all of them Americans and most of them women and children, boarded the flight headed to South Carolina. There also was a small number of Arab-American men on the flight.

The representatives at the airport were prepared to provide the evacuees with medical care, financial aid, counseling and toys for the children.

Among the anxious relatives was Helen McCauley, who waited for her three young granddaughters and her pregnant daughter, Paulette, 28.

''I have not heard anything from her, except she asked me to be here when she gets here,'' McCauley said.

Paulette, whose last name was not released to protect her Palestinian husband still in Kuwait, was 7 months pregnant and traveling with her three daughters, ages 2 1/2, 5 and 7. They have not been to the United States in four years.

McCauley said her daughter and the girls would live with her in Apex, N.C. until it is safe for Paulette to return her family to Kuwait, where her husband is a computer programmer for a Kuwaiti bank.

''I think she would wait for it to be safer for the children, but she would definitely go back,'' McCauley said.

Along with the tables of medical supplies were teddy bears adorned with red ribbons, stacks of diapers, baby food, lollipops, coloring books, and crayons for the numerous children expected.

Many of the evacuees were to board flights for other parts of the country after arriving in Charleston, S.C. Norma Anderson, spokeswoman for the South Carolina Department of Social Services, said anyone continuing on would pay for their own flights, although the state planned to issue federally backed loans to anyone needing money.

Anderson said it would take at least three hours to process the passengers not counting the time it would take for Customs officials to inspect the evacuees' baggage.

South Carolina Gov. Carroll Campbell also was to board the plane and greet the passengers upon their arrival.

The State Department would not release names of passengers on the flight, but at least one McKinney, Texas woman, Barbara Hoffman, also was expected to be on board.

Hoffman's daughter, Lauren Deardurff, 27, said Saturday night she learned that her mother arrived in Jordan earlier that day. A reporter who had spoken to Mrs. Hoffman called to Texas with the news.

''I was really elated to see that my mother's safe, but at the same time, I'm upset that my father's still there,'' Deardurff said. ''I'm just worried that something horrible will happen to him.''

Deardurff said her father, Manfred Hoffman, 52, underwent heart surgery before he moved to Kuwait in April and is on medication to prevent heart attacks.

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#90252u0677 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 9) UPI - Pope John Paul prayed today for success at the superpower summit in Helsinki, Finland, and for a peaceful end to the Persian Gulf crisis. In his most strongly worded comment on the crisis to date, the pope said peace should be founded on justice and respect for the rights of individuals and countries alike. The pontiff spoke in Rwanda, one stop on his 10-day visit to four African countries. He said his thoughts were constantly on the Gulf crisis.

Miss Illinois- Marjorie Judith Vincent- became the fourth black woman to win the Miss America pageant... taking the 1991 title in competition at Atlantic City last night. 25-year-old Vincent is a law student who wants to help with the economic development of Haiti. She was crowned by her predecessor, Debbye Turner. Vincent said during her reign as Miss America she would like to focus attention on the plight of battered women.

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#90252u0900 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 9) UPI - President Bush and Soviet President Gorbachev presented a solid front on the Persian Gulf crisis today. Following their seven-hour summit in Helsinki, Finland, the superpower leaders issued a joint statement insisting that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait to end the crisis. But

Bush failed in his aim to get Moscow to immediately withdraw Soviet military advisers from Iraq... and expand its military co-operation in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Technicians at Cape Canaveral, Florida, are working to fix the leaking space shuttle Columbia in time for another takeoff attempt early next week. Crews worked through the weekend to remove and replace fuel pumps blamed for a leak that grounded the ship last week. And assuming NO other glitches crop up, Columbia could be ready for the start of yet another launch countdown as early as Friday.

There are more reports out of Gainesville, Florida, that appear to link a highly publicized suspect to the slayings of five area college students. A newspaper story today says investigators recovered a knife hidden in a milk carton found at the home of Edward Humphrey. The report is based on information provided by unidentified sources said to be close to the probe.

A study shows that it's worth the extra time to use a hot air dryer in a public restroom. The study found that the machines kill more bacteria and viruses on the hands than cloth or paper towels. Air dryers reduced 92 percent of the viruses in the study... while cloth and paper towels got rid of between 80 and 87 percent.

In Philadelphia, police say a 30-year-old woman found stabbed to death in her apartment may be the latest victim of a serial killer believed responsible for the slayings of eight other women. Police found the woman's partially nude body on the floor of her apartment in the city's Frankford section. She had at least 17 stab wounds and lacerations to the back, chest, stomach and face. Police say the multiple stab wounds and the profile of the woman are similar to the slayings of the other victims.

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#90252u0978 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 9) UPI - Presidents Bush and Gorbachev say their seven- hour meeting in Helsinki, Finland, today has strengthened the new partnership between the United States and the Soviet Union in the face of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. But Bush failed to convince Gorbachev to immediately withdraw Soviet military advisers from Iraq. .

Kuwait's exiled emir sent two messages to Helsinki urging Bush and Gorbachev to take decisive action against Iraq for its aggression against his country. The messages expressed confidence that the superpower leaders would adopt whatever action was necessary to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

A meeting today in Tehran between the foreign ministers of Iraq and Iran was the first high-level contact between the two rivals in a decade. Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz is in Tehran for talks with his counterpart,

Ali Akbar Velayati in a bid to improve relations between their countries.

West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher says he expects the World War Two allies to O-K an October 3rd re-unification date for Germany. The issue will be discussed later this week in the final round of the so-called two-plus-four talks on German unity.

The House tomorrow will begin debate on a defense spending bill. And the post-Cold War dip in military expenditures is expected to slow significantly. House Armed Services Chairman Les Aspin says there will definitely be an increase in the 283-BILLION-dollar authorization figure in the bill, but the Wisconsin Democrat could NOT say how much of a jump.

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#90252u0982 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 9) UPI - Launch preparations at Cape Canaveral were looking up today. NASA officials say repairs on the leaking shuttle Columbia are on track to keep its rescheduled blastoff attempt around September 17th. The crew for the October mission of the shuttle Discovery arrived at Cape Canaveral today for a practice countdown.

South African authorities describe the situation in the country's largest black township as ''quiet but tense.'' Factional fighting between rival groups erupted again in Soweto during the weekend, leaving more than two-dozen people dead and 17 injured. Police tried to disperse angry clouds by firing shotgun blasts and tear gas.

Security sources in southern Lebanon say forces loyal to P-L-O leader Yasser Arafat have gained the upper hand in fighting with troops aligned with extremist Abu Nidal. At least 68 people have died in the weekend violence 24 miles outside of Beirut. Witnesses say a precarious calm engulfed the area at dusk.

Peace talks are under way between the Cambodian government and representatives of three rebel factions. Officials greeted the conference in Jakarta, Indonesia, with optimism that it would lead to an end to Cambodia's civil war. The one drawback to the talks is the absence of rebel leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk.

India's Kashmir Valley was wracked by more separatist violence this weekend. Police sources say at least seven people were killed, including a 12-year-old girl reportedly slain by Moslem rebels who said she was a police informant. Moslem militants have killed more than 300 alleged informants since mid-January.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

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East								
Boston	78	61	.561	-	44-25	34-36	6-4	L-1
Toronto	74	66	.529	4 1/2	37-34	36-32	8-2	W-4
Milwaukee	66	73	.475	12	34-38	32-35	6-4	L-1
Detroit	67	74	.475	12	34-37	33-37	5-5	W-1
Baltimore	63	75	.457	14 1/2	32-36	31-39	4-6	W-3
Cleveland	62	78	.443	16 1/2	33-36	29-42	2-8	W-1
New York	57	82	.410	21	31-37	26-45	1-9	L-4
West								
Oakland	89	50	.640	-	44-24	45-26	9-1	W-7
Chicago	79	59	.572	9 1/2	41-29	38-30	6-4	L-3
Texas	73	67	.521	16 1/2	43-29	30-38	7-3	W-5
California	69	71	.493	20 1/2	36-32	33-39	4-6	L-3
Seattle	69	71	.493	20 1/2	36-36	33-35	6-4	W-1
Kansas City	66	74	.471	23 1/2	40-29	26-45	1-9	L-7
Minnesota	65	76	.461	25	35-37	30-39	6-4	L-1

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

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East								
Pittsburgh	82	58	.586	-	42-29	39-29	7-3	L-1
New York	78	61	.561	3 1/2	46-22	32-39	4-6	L-1
Montreal	73	66	.525	8 1/2	39-28	34-38	6-4	W-1
Chicago	65	73	.471	16	33-36	32-37	4-6	W-1
Philadel.	65	74	.468	16 1/2	35-34	30-40	6-4	W-1
St. Louis	63	76	.453	18 1/2	32-40	31-36	4-6	L-1
West								
Cincinnati	79	60	.568	-	38-26	40-34	4-6	L-1
Los Angeles	74	66	.529	5 1/2	42-30	32-35	4-6	W-1
San Fran.	72	68	.514	7 1/2	39-29	33-38	5-5	W-2
San Diego	64	75	.461	15	34-39	28-37	3-7	W-1
Houston	63	77	.450	16 1/2	40-27	23-49	5-5	L-2
Atlanta	58	82	.414	21 1/2	33-38	24-44	8-2	L-1

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#90252u1146 09/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 9) UPI - For all the glamour Andre Agassi carries onto

the court, Pete Sampras left with the U.S. Open championship.

Agassi, who brought day-glo tights and an entourage to New York, was dissected Sunday by Sampras, losing 6-4, 6-3, 6-2. The fourth-seed was outgunned by Sampras' 120 mph serve and never was a factor in the match.

Sampras delivered 13 aces and 12 service winners, accounting for 25 of the 99 points he won in the 1 hour, 42 minute match.

''This was a good old-fashioned street mugging,'' Agassi said.

It also was a disheartening finish to his best Open outing. Agassi was an Open semifinalist the previous two years, losing to Ivan Lendl.

''It is disappointing to see someone hold up the trophy that you wanted,'' he said. ''But it's not like I lost it, I got my butt kicked.''

And it all happened so efficiently.

Sampras lost just three points off his serve in the first set and five in the second. In the third, Agassi managed three break points, but was unable to convert any.

''He's always had a big serve, but now he's put it together with exceptional placement in the last couple of weeks,'' Agassi said. ''If you look at the tape, you'd see all his aces are on the line. That's just tough. The chances of returning a serve that's hit 100 miles an hour when it hits the line are slim, not to mention when he can blast one 120.

''I still could have taken advantage more of his second serve, but he didn't miss a lot of those early in the match. That would have made a big difference. If I could have had a couple of more looks at second serve and gotten an early break, that's a different ballgame.''

With the triumph, Sampras, 19, becomes the youngest champion to win the Open. Agassi, a year older and with much more savvy on the international tennis scene, said life will change for the 12th-seeded player.

''When you get to this level it becomes a lot more than tennis,'' said Agassi. ''You have to handle everything, all the criticism he'll start getting after winning a tournament like this. He has to handle being the expected winner rather than the underdog. It's easier to play carefree and hard-hitting tennis when you are the underdog. I did that in 1988, I just came out and smacked the ball and people couldn't believe how hard I could hit the ball. But it all changes when you get on top.''

For his part, Sampras seems to have a firm grip on where and who he is. His entourage consists of Coach Joe Brandi. That's it. There are no

earrings or stylish hair cuts.

''I think I am pretty similiar on the court as off,'' he said. ''I'm easy going, laid back, I don't get too uptight or anything. I'm just a normal 19-year-old growing up with a pretty unusual job.''

One that lets him call himself champion.

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - NO dramatic breakthroughs resulted from today's meeting between Presidents Bush and Gorbachev. But the mini-summit in Helsinki, Finland, did lead to the reiteration that the global community will NOT tolerate Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's aggression. The superpower leaders called on Saddam to pull out of Kuwait.

Aside from the international pressures Saddam Hussein faces, it is reported that internal dissent against his rule may be picking up. A Western diplomat in the Persian Gulf state of Bahrain says Saddam ordered the execution of five members of his presidential guard who allegedly were plotting against him.

Six close aides of Israeli Interior Minister Aryeh Deri were arrested today as the investigation into Deri's alleged wrong-doings entered a new stage. Deri is suspected of illegally transferring government funds to family members and his ultra-Orthodox Shas Party. The scandal has been compared to the Nixon administration's Watergate.

Pope John Paul was to arrive in the African nation of the Ivory Coast today to open a controversial multi-Million-dollar basilica built by President Felix Houphouet-Boigny. Four British journalists at the site of the basilica were arrested hours before the pope's arrival to prevent them from filming the town's political opposition.

New York Mayor David Dinkins says residents must unite to take back their streets. Dinkins delivered a speech at the city's St. Patrick Cathedral today in which he called upon New Yorkers to battle violence by helping anti-crime groups, lobbying for national gun-control laws and teaching children that crime is wrong.

A Fort Lauderdale report says developer Donald Trump's financial woes have reached outside the New York area. The report says Trump sold fewer than 10 units last year at his condominium project in West Palm Beach. The project's financial backer is said to be considering forcing Trump to auction off about 120 unsold condos to gain payment.

Special Yugoslavian police units used tear gas to prevent ethnic clashes

today in a town in the eastern Republic of Serbia. Riot police arrested scores of militant nationalists as Serbs and ethnic Moslems prepared to square off. The incident followed a rally of 20-thousand supporters of a Serbian extremist group.

A Romanian student leader who was severely beaten earlier this year by mine workers breaking up student protests reconciled with the miners today. The student leader says the miners were NOT the only ones guilty for what happened in June of this year. The miners were responding to a government call to defend the country against the ''extremists.''

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - Diplomats in the Persian Gulf are giving the first confirmation of signs of internal strife in Iraq. The diplomats say Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ordered five elite officers of his presidential guard executed because of suspicion that they were plotting against him. The envoys say there apparently is evidence of assassination plots against Saddam, but they warn that he's still in control.

President Bush says he's ''very pleased'' following his summit in Helsinki Finland, with Soviet President Gorbachev today. Speaking aboard Air Force One on the way back to Washington, Bush said superpower unity on the Persian Gulf crisis will ''send a very strong message around the world.''

Tehran radio says a meeting today between Iran's foreign minister and his Iraqi counterpart focused on the Persian Gulf crisis created by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz flew to Tehran for two and a half hours of talks with Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati. They also discussed efforts to normalize relations between their countries after an eight-year war.

Iraq describes as ''utterly groundless'' a Syrian report that Iraqi oil installations on their border were rocked today by a series of explosions. The state-owned Syrian news agency says 46 explosions struck the installations and there were calls for blood transfusions. But Western diplomats in the region say there are NO known oil installations on the Iraqi-Syrian border and the report appears to be part of the war of words between the two nations.

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - A British Broadcasting Corporation report says rebel forces in Liberia captured President Samuel Doe today following a fierce gunbattle in Monrovia. The B-B-C says Doe was wounded in both legs before being taken into custody by rebel leader Prince Johnson. The fighting

broke out during Doe's UNscheduled visit to the headquarters of the West African peacekeeping force.

49 of the nation's newest citizens took their oath of citizenship today during a celebration marking the re-opening of Ellis Island. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia led the group in the oath as Vice President Quayle and others looked on. A refurbished Ellis Island opened its doors again after a long history of serving as the gateway to America for 12-Million immigrants.

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#90252u1518 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 9) UPI - President Bush was all smiles aboard Air Force One this evening as he headed back to Washington following his one-day summit with Soviet President Gorbachev in Helsinki, Finland. Bush says the superpower unity on the Persian Gulf crisis sends a strong message to Iraq that it will NOT be able to divide and conquer. Bush says while he and Gorbachev agreed on getting Iraq out of Kuwait, they did NOT agree on everything.

The situation in Iraq is a sharp contrast to the unity displayed today by the United States and Soviet Union at their summit in Finland. Western diplomats in the Persian Gulf confirm reports of splits in Iraq. They say Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ordered the executions of five elite officers of his presidential guard suspected of plotting his assassination.

A chartered jetliner today returned more than 300 Americans to the United States after their release from Iraq and Kuwait. The Northwest Orient 747 landed this evening in South Carolina at Charleston International Airport. There were originally 316 people aboard the flight... but five got off the plane during an UNscheduled stop in Halifax, Nova Scotia, due to illness.

The State Department task force monitoring the situation in Liberia says it canNOT confirm British reports that rebels have captured Liberian President Samuel Doe. The British Broadcasting Corporation says Doe was wounded and taken into custody following a fierce gun battle in Monrovia. Rebels led by Prince Johnson reportedly captured Doe as he made an UNscheduled visit to the headquarters of West African peace- keeping forces.

A slowdown, or even complete halt of cuts in military spending is expected to be approved after the House begins debate tomorrow on post- Cold War defense spending. Some lawmakers say the deployment of U-S troops in the Persian Gulf forces a reverse of the dizzying plunge in military spending. But lawmakers are UNable to say how much the spending will increase.

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - President Bush gets his wish at today's superpower summit... two planeloads of Iraqi hostages return to freedom... and there are reports that Liberia's president has been captured by rebels. Those stories and more, next from U-P-I. .

President Bush told reporters aboard Air Force One this evening that he couldN'T be happier with the results of his summit today with Soviet President Gorbachev.

The presidential plane was headed back to Washington following the hastily arranged, one-day meeting in Helsinki, Finland.

Bush says he was pleased that he and Gorbachev emerged from their meeting united against Iraqi aggression in the Persian Gulf.

He says the Soviet Union expressed solidarity with the United States and other countries about the need to enforce sanctions aimed at driving Iraq out of Kuwait.

The superpower leaders issued a joint statement that embraced both their views... echoing a Soviet desire for a peaceful solution to the crisis, while threatening UNdisclosed measures if that proves impossible.

Bush says the statement shows Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that he will NOT be successful at dividing and conquering.

Bush says the next step is to see that the U-N sanctions against Iraq are fulfilled.

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#90252u1610 09/09/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 9) UPI - Two planeloads of former hostages arrived in the West today with women and children who had been held in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

A chartered Iraqi Airways jumbo jet landed in London this evening... and a twice-delayed chartered flight finally set down in Charleston, South Carolina.

There were originally 316 people aboard the Northwest Orient 747 that landed at Charleston International Airport... but five got off the plane during an UNscheduled medical stop in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

The planeload of Americans was greeted by dozens of relatives, well-wishers and officials... including Senator Ernest Hollings and South Carolina Governor Carroll Campbell.

Authorities were on hand to provide the evacuees with medical care, financial aid, counseling and teddy bears for the children.

165 other Americans were aboard the Iraqi plane that landed at Gatwick airport outside of London. There were also 229 Britons and 44 people of other nationalities aboard the jet.

A U-S Embassy spokesman says he expects the Americans to spend the night in London before returning to the United States.

The flight was expected to be the last major airlift of British citizens trapped in the Persian Gulf.

Liberian President Samuel Doe is reportedly in the hand of rebels led by Prince Johnson, following a fierce gun battle in the capital city of Monrovia.

The British Broadcasting Corporation says Doe was taken into custody as he made an UNscheduled visit to the headquarters of West African peace-keeping forces.

The B-B-C says Doe was wounded in both legs during the battle and more than 60 people were killed in the fighting.

But the State Department task force monitoring the situation in Liberia says it could NOT confirm the report.

The B-B-C says Johnson telephoned to say Doe had surrendered his leadership of the country. Johnson also vowed that the president would be court-martialed and dealt with according to law.

Johnson says he'll replace Doe until the nation can hold elections.

There was NO immediate reaction from rival rebel leader Charles Taylor... who commands a larger rebel force.

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - Philadelphia police today said a woman found yesterday stabbed to death may be the ninth victim of a serial killer in the city... even though a suspect in the killings is in jail. The suspect has been charged with one murder... but NOT eight other stabbings during the last five years.

New York Mayor David Dinkins today exhorted New Yorkers to join anti-crime groups to ''take back'' the city streets. A crime wave in the city led

Dinkins to call for gun control and tougher penalties for gang attacks.

Four British broadcasters were arrested in the Ivory Coast today to prevent them from filming a political opposition meeting. The arrests came just hours before Pope John Paul arrived to consecrate a 200- Million dollar basilica in the debt-ridden country.

Investigators today said they have ruled out foul play in the deaths of two bear hunters struck by a train near Rooster Rock State Park in Oregon. Trainmen said one of the men tried to pull the other from the tracks just before they were hit yesterday.

Aviation officials today said two small planes collided in the air near Alaska's Denali National Park and crashed yesterday. It is believed each plane had one pilot and NO passengers. Rescuers on horseback are trying to cross rugged terrain to the crash site.

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#90252u1826 09/09/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 9) UPI - More than 300 Americans who were detained in Kuwait arrived in South Carolina this evening. The group was met at the Charleston International Airport by state and federal workers on hand to give medical care, counseling and financial aid. Another flight of freed hostages arrived in London earlier in the day. That flight carried about 400 foreigners out of Kuwait and Iraq.

The leaders of the United States and Soviet Union today put their clout behind international condemnation of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Presidents Bush and Gorbachev issued a joint statement following their summit in Helsinki, Finland, that re-inforced their unified stand against Iraq. The statement said the two leaders are determined to see Iraqi aggression end.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl says now is the time for Germany to show ''international solidarity.'' Kohl re-iterated his call today for a change in the German constitution to allow German troops to participate in United Nations peace-keeping forces. The West German constitution prohibits military deployment outside of NATO jurisdiction.

Six close aides of Israel's interior minister were arrested today for questioning in a deepening corruption probe that's being compared to Watergate. The so-called ''Deri Affair'' centers on allegations that Interior Minister Aryeh Deri illegally transferred ministry funds to members of his family and his ultra-Orthodox Shas Party.

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(SEPT. 9) UPI - A copyright article today says the Atomic Energy Commission and the state of Washington have a secret pact dating back to 1943. The agreement allegedly enables the A-E-C to determine the validity of workers' compensation claims at the Hanford nuclear plant. Critics say the contract lets the nation's nuclear bomb- making agency duck responsibility for worker injuries and deaths.

Authorities say there are shock waves of fear spreading throughout New England's largest organized crime family. They say the anxiety is being caused by reputed crime figure John ''Sonny'' Castagna's decision to co-operate with investigators probing the Patriarca family. Officials will NOT say what Castagna has disclosed as part of his deal for a lighter sentence on charges made against him in March.

Sandinista leaders are warning that further UNrest and possible war may result if Nicaragua's economic and political crisis is NOT resolved. According to a Sandinista leader... the country could be wracked by social UNrest next month if the suffering of the people is NOT reversed. His comments were backed by another Sandinista leader who said Nicaragua is experiencing political polarization.

The public will have a chance to see New York's refurbished Ellis Island tomorrow. The island... which served as the first glimpse of America to Millions of immigrants... was re-opened at an invitation-only ceremony today. Among the participants at today's gathering were some of the country's most recent emigres. Vice President Quayle substituted for President Bush as the main speaker at the event.

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PHOENIX (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - MacLand Inc. (NASDAQ:MACL), the Tempe-based marketer of hardware and accessories for the Apple Macintosh computer line, Monday announced that it has completed a secondary offering of securities that netted the company $1,558,000.

The proceeds will be used for working capital, expansion of facilities, and marketing and promotion.

In the offering, 1,150,000 units were sold to the public at $1.65 per unit. The units consist of two shares of common stock and one common stock purchase warrant exercisable at $1.65 per warrant for the 13-month period commencing Aug. 27, 1990. The total number of units sold included 150,000 units sold by the underwriters under their over-allotment option.

The lead underwriter of the offering was Cohig & Associates of Denver. The offering was co-managed by Paradise Valley Securities of Phoenix.

As a result of the offering, MacLand's common stock and purchase warrants were elevated to listing on the NASDAQ quotation system. MacLand's stock was formerly listed in the pink sheets. The company's units, common stock and warrants are now trading on NASDAQ under the symbols MACLU, MACL and MACLW, respectively.

Rather said the company was particularly pleased that the offering was completed in the face of downward pressure on the stock market due to tension in the Middle East. ''There aren't a lot of deals getting done right now,'' he said.

''So we appreciate all the support and commitment we have received from our underwriters and from other members of the investment community.'' He added that MacLand investors should benefit in the long run from MacLand's elevation to NASDAQ and expanded base of market makers.

For the six month period ending June 30 the company reported net income of $302,000, or 5 cents per share, on revenues of $6,448,000 compared with net income of $97,000, or 1 cent per share, on revenue of $2,878,000 for the same period last year.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Widely recognized as providing the Local Area Networking Industry's broadest line of Ethernet products and services Cabletron Systems Inc. (NYSE:CS) today unveiled at Networld 90 (Dallas, Sept. 10-13, Booth 1118) the networking industry's most complete line of manageable Token Ring products.

The 4/16 megabit-per-second (Mb/s) IEEE 802.5 Token Ring product line includes Desktop Network Interface (DNI) cards for IBM PC/XT, PC/AT, MicroChannel and Macintosh MAC II personal computers; six connectivity Media Interface Modules (MIMs) for the Multi Media Access Center (MMAC) intelligent wiring hub; management modules providing full local and remote managmement and control capability down to the individual port level; and a standalone concentrator with Ring In/Ring Out ports.

The new Token Ring products accommodate IBM types 1, 2, 6, and 9 shielded twisted pair (STP), unshielded twisted pair (UTP) and fiber optic cabling, a media scheme developed for the MMAC platform through Cabletron's Integrated Network Architecture. The Integrated Network Architecture is a

product strategy which provides a standards-based framework for seamless network evolution and expansion as customer needs grow, or as new networking technologies enter the market.

The MMAC platform, through an innovative, three-tiered backplane known as the Flexible Network Bus (FNB), allows Ethernet, Token Ring and Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI) Technologies to coexist within a single modular hub.

''We have seen a tremendous need and demand for managemable Token Ring and Ethernet products to coexist within the same environment,'' said Michael Welts, Cabletron's marketing manager. ''Cabletron has been a leader in Ethernet network management for over two years. We have been easily able to apply our Ethernet management expertise toward users with the broadest product offering, whether it is Ethernet or Token Ring. This announcement makes it ideal for organizations who need both.''

Cabletron Systems Inc., headquartered in Rochester, N.H., is a leading developer and manufacturer of standards-based network solutions, including software, hardware and connectivity products. The company currently has a worldwide installed base exceeding 1.3 million nodes.

Cabletron's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CS. The company recently reported record revenue of $104.7 million and earnings of $22.3 million for the fiscal year 1990.

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PROVIDENCE, R.I.(SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Edward P. Grace III, a Providence, R.I. businessman, said today that he has filed a 13-D Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission in Washington, D.C. disclosing beneficial ownership of 5.9 percent, or 72,800 shares of the common stock of NHD Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: NHDI).

Grace said that he has no present intention of seeking control of the company, and that he acquired his stake for investment purposes. He said that NHD Stores Inc. is an undervalued company (book value per share $7.39 and stock closing price 9/7/90 of $4.00) in a niche market that has tremendous potential.

He said that he intends to meet with NHD Stores Inc. President Sheldon M.

Woolf to discuss strategic alternatives to increase shareholder value.

NHD Stores Inc., based in Stoughton, Mass. is a 36 unit retailer of hardgoods through its NHD Super Hardware Stores, with locations in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine, and Connecticut. Sales for the fiscal year 1990 ended Jan. 31, 1990 were $55,256,000.

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COLLEGE PARK, GA (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantic Southeast Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ASAI) flew 39.6 million revenue passenger miles during August 1990, a .7 percent decrease from the same period last year, according to John W. Beiser, a senior vice president for the Atlanta-based airline.

ASA's load factor was 52.6 percent compared with 55.8 percent during August 1989. Available seat miles increased to 75.4 million from 71.6 million, for a 5.4 percent increase. The company enplaned 187,320 passengers during August, compared with 191,635 passengers for the previous August.

On a year-to-date basis, ASA carried 1,363,361 passengers compared with 1,320,402 during 1989, a 3.3 percent increase. Revenue passenger miles totaled 289.9 million compared with 270.6 million, for a 7.1 percent increase. Available seat miles increased 9.2 percent from 516.9 million to 564.6 million. The load factor on a year-to-date basis was 51.3 percent compared with 52.3 percent during the previous year.

Atlantic Southeast Airlines Inc. is Atlanta's largest regional air carrier, and now offers service to 15 cities from a second hub in Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas. ASA's stock is traded in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol ASAI.

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LONG BEACH, CA (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Tatung Co. of America Inc. and Alloy Computer Products Inc., Marlborough, Mass., announced Monday they are entering into a joint marketing effort to provide bundled hardware and software solutions that meet the needs of small-business and corporate workgroups.

Under the arrangement, Tatung will bundle Alloy's 386/MultiWare with its 386 PCs and PC-Term terminals. Tatung offers a complete line of 80286 and 80386 PCs and ASCII terminals, as well as text and color monitors.

Alloy will offer Tatung's hardware together with Alloy's products including its EarthStation diskless PCs; 386/MultiWare; multiuser, multitasking DOS systems; and PC-PLUS/NTNX networking systems.

Alloy Computer Products designs, manufactures and markets MS-DOS-based multiuser systems, networking hardware, diskless PCs and tape-backup systems for the personal-computer industry.

Alloy's products are marketed throughout the United States, Canada and abroad through the Earth Computer Technologies division and Alloy's wholly owned subsidiaries: Alloy Computer Products (Europe) Ltd., and Alloy Computer Products (Australia) Pty. Ltd.

Tatung Co. of America markets a full line of PCs that support ISA, MCA and EISA standards, as well as ASCII terminals and the widest range of computer monitors and graphics adapters available from a single supplier. It is an affiliate of the multibillion-dollar Tatung Co., Taiwan's largest electronics and computer manufacturer with over 22,000 employees in Europe North America and the Far East.

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DENVER (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Coleman Natural Meats Inc., the nation's largest producer of natural beef, announced the first nationally available certified organic-beef product Monday at its Denver headquarters.

According to company chairman and founder, Mel Coleman, Coleman Organic Beef has been in development for three years and is currently being

distributed in five markets: Colorado, Massachusetts, California, Texas and Oklahoma. Over the next year, as supply increases to meet demand, Coleman will expand distribution throughout the United States.

''Initial sales of Coleman Organic Beef are extremely positive,'' Coleman said. ''We're selling it as fast as we can produce it.''

Coleman said that Coleman Organic Beef was developed to meet the demands of a niche market of consumers who want to purchase organically grown beef. Coleman Natural Beef, the company's flagship product, which is produced without antibiotics or growth hormones, is expected to continue to outsell Coleman Organic Beef because of its lower price and greater availability.

According to Coleman, organic beef production is costly and complex because it requires certified organic grains and feeds which are difficult to obtain. In addition, the purity of the animal's grazing lands and feed and must be verified at every step of production, from conception to consumption.

The inherent complicated production requirements mean Coleman Organic Beef will sell at a premium retail price of approximately $3.39 for lean ground beef. This is approximately 15 percent higher in price than Coleman Natural Beef.

Like Coleman Natural Beef, Coleman Organic Beef is produced without antibiotics or growth hormones. However, to be certified as organic, Coleman Organic Beef cattle are fed organically grown feed raised on farmland certified to be devoid of synthetic fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides for at least three years.

Primary retail customers for Coleman Organic Beef are the same natural food/health food stores and specialty supermarkets that purchase Coleman Natural Beef.

Coleman was the first company to receive USDA approval to label its beef as natural.

Coleman Natural Meats, which produces natural and organic beef, and natural lamb, has annual revenues in excess of $20 million. The company was formed in 1979 by Mel Coleman, a fourth-generation rancher, in Saguache County, Colo. Coleman products are distributed in natural food/health food stores, specialty stores and supermarkets in all 50 states.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - MCI Communications Corp. (NASDAQ:MCIC) has become the primary provider of long-distance telecommunications services to Neiman Marcus stores throughout the United States after winning a three-year, $12 million contract, the companies announced Monday.

Under the contract, MCI will also provide various long-distance services to another division of Neiman Marcus Group Inc., Horchow Mail Order Inc.

MCI's services will include:

-- Voice and data networks linking all 24 Neiman Marcus stores throughout the nation, as well as other facilities, including Neiman Marcus division headquarters in Dallas, the company's data and mail order distribution centers in Irving, Texas, and its national distribution center in Carrollton, Texas.

-- 800 service in support of the company's worldwide mail order business.

-- Network management capabilities, including full-time monitoring of the Neiman Marcus communications network and real-time statistical reporting.

-- Complete systems integration between telecommunications equipment and other vendors and Neiman Marcus.

In addition, MCI will carry all voice, data and 800 traffic for Horchow Mail Order Inc.

Under the contract, MCI will construct a backup digital microwave system to provide transmission diversity and redundancy for Neiman Marcus' voice and data traffic.

Both companies said that MCI will also handle communications traffic for all new Neiman Marcus stores, including its Denver store which opened in August. The retailer plans to build several new stores over the next few years, with the next new locations scheduled to open in Minneapolis in 1991.

Neiman Marcus, a world-recognized leader in high-fashion speciality retailing, serves customers through its network of stores and through its mail order business, which includes the catalogues of Horchow Mail Order Inc.

Neiman Marcus and Horchow Mail Order Inc. are part of The Neiman Marcus Group Inc., a publicly-owned, independent company located in Chestnut Hill Mass.

MCI is the world's second-largest long-distance provider, supplying a full range of voice, data and messaging services to businesses, residences and government agencies.

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ENGLEWOOD, COLO. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Dynamics Inc. (NASDAQ-MEDY), a provider of micro-invasive surgical and diagnostic camera systems, Monday announced it has received a purchase order from an OEM customer for 100 Model 5960 Surgical Camera Systems.

The order brings to 160 the total number of Model 5960s this OEM customer has ordered since August. Value of the total order is $845,000.

Van Horsley, chief executive officer of Medical Dynamics, said the Model 5960, which is the successor model to the company's standard Model 5940 system, is particularly well-suited to the emerging laparoscopic surgery market and that most of the camera systems in the recent order are likely intended for use in that field.

''With its upgraded base camera and enhanced optics, the Model 5960 represents a significant technical advancement over its predecessor model and gives users in laparoscopic surgery, as well as arthrosocopy and gynecology, a state-of-the-art means of performing numerous procedures,'' Horsley said.

''The potential for this product in gallbladder laparoscopy, which involves complete removal of the gallbladder through a laparoscope, is tremendous,'' Horsley said. ''As more physicians are trained in its use in this application, we expect orders for the product -- both from our OEM customer and our sales representatives -- to increase.''

Horsley added that the increase in Model 5960 orders from the OEM account represents confirmation of the product's growing popularity in the marketplace.

Medical Dynamics also markets the patented Model 5990 Optical Catheter System, a next generation surgical camera system that at just .5mm to 1.5mm in diameter is small enough to thread into previously inaccessible areas of the body. Procedures performed with an Optical Catheter System

offer physicians and patients a number of practical, technical and economic benefits over alternative forms of treatment.

The company has sold 14 Optical Catheters to date, including two over the past 30 days.

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert Messina has joined Toshiba Copier Products, an operating unit of Toshiba America Information Systems Inc. (TAIS), as director of marketing.

In making the announcement, Richard H. Walker, vice president and general manager for Copier Products, said: ''Toshiba Copier Products is now one of the fastest-growing copier suppliers in the United States. The associated expansion of our marketing programs has led to a need for expansion of our management team.''

In this position, Messina will be responsible for product marketing, advertising, public relations and marketing services and programs.

''This key addition to our team enables Peter Stolinsky, who has been appointed director of channel development, to focus on special markets, channel marketing and dealer training,'' Walker said.

Reporting to Messina are the marketing communications manager, marketing services manager and the national marketing manager. Reporting to Stolinsky are the national training manager, distribution channel marketing manager and the government, education and major accounts (GEM) marketing manager.

Messina brings more than 18 years of experience in marketing and sales management of office and communication products to Toshiba. Most recently he served as regional vice president of the Pacific Region for Monroe Systems for Business in Irvine.

Previously he was vice president of sales and marketing for Los Angeles Cellular Telephone Co. and prior to his tenure there he served as vice president of sales and marketing for American Datacom in Irvine.

Messina received a bachelor of science degree in business administration

from Rider College in Lawrenceville, N.J.

Toshiba office copiers are sold and serviced by a network of more than 350 dealers nationwide. Toshiba America Information Systems is one of five independently operating U.S.-based companies that comprise Toshiba America Inc., New York, a holding company which is part of the $29 billion Toshiba Corp. based in Tokyo. -0-

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PHOENIX (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - John W. Teets, chairman, president and chief executive officer, Greyhound Dial Corp. (NYSE:G), Monday announced the purchase of the Breck hair care products business from American Cyanamid Co. of Wayne, N.J.

Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

The purchase was negotiated by The Dial Corp., Greyhound Dial's consumer products company, and became effective Sept. 7. Breck had 1989 revenues of approximately $60 million. Integrating Breck into Dial will give Dial annual sales in excess of $1 billion.

Under terms of the agreement, Dial is acquiring more than 300 trademark registrations in 91 countries, approximately 20 patents, inventories and some equipment. Breck products will continue to be manufactured in their present locations during the period of integration into the Dial network.

''Breck has been a household name for 60 years,'' Teets said. ''It's a perfect fit with our other Dial products, and under Dial management the power of the Breck name will flourish.''

For decades, Americans have been fans of the famous 'Breck Girls' series of advertisements that first started appearing in magazines in 1946. Such beauties as Brooke Shields, Jaclyn Smith, Kim Basinger, Erin Gray and Cybill Shepherd all appeared as Breck Girls early in their careers.

At the present time, Breck products are manufactured in seven facilities located in the United States, Mexico, Canada and Europe. The products are sold in this country, as well as in a number of international markets including Scandinavia and the Middle East.

Hair care adds a new category to Dial's personal care division, which currently markets such leading brands as Dial, Tone, Pure & Natural and Mountain Fresh Dial bar soaps, Liquid Dial antibacterial soap, Boraxo hand

cleaner, Dial antiperspirants and deodorants, and several lines of lodging industry amenities.

The Breck line of products includes hair sprays, shampoos, hair conditioners, gels, mousses and a line of 12 hair colors. The total U.S. hair care category has annual sales of $4 billion.

Besides personal care items, Dial manufactures and markets such well-known products as Lunch Bucket microwaveable meals, Armour Star canned meats, Purex laundry detergent, Brillo soap pads, Twenty Mule Team Borax, Parsons' ammonia, and Magic Sizing spray starch.

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OVERLAND PARK, KS (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Sprint Gateways Monday introduced Live Broadcast 900sm which enables consumers to call a 900 number and listen to special live events.

This 900 enhancement allows information providers to bring events cost-effectively to a large, geographically dispersed audience. Sprint Gateways is a unit of US Sprint.

Live Broadcast 900sm is suited especially for such applications as shareholders' meetings, educational programs and association membership meetings. Listening in on a sporting event, such as a football game or a boxing match, is another Live Broadcast 900sm possibility.

According to Adrian Toader, vice president and general manager of Sprint Gateways, ''As the 900 industry matures, there is an increasing demand for business-to-business voice information services. Live Broadcast 900sm provides the flexibility to meet the programming needs of businesses as well as entertainment information providers.''

Sprint Gateways entered the 900 audiotext services market early in 1989 and now carries hundreds of interactive and passive audiotext programs and services through US Sprint's all-digital fiber-optic network.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City, Mo.

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SUNNYVALE, Calif.(SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - California Microwave Inc. (OTC:CMIC), announced that its subsidiary, Satellite Transmission Systems Inc. (STS), received a $3.2 million contract from the Ministry of Communications of Romania to supply a major satellite earth station to be located near Bucharest, Romania.

In an Aug. 22 announcement, California Microwave indicated that STS had won the international earth station competition. The station is expected to be completed in the first half of 1991, providing Romania with the capability for direct voice, data and facsimile communications with all major Western European countries.

Romania is one of the first Eastern Bloc countries to be admitted to the European regional satellite consortium, EUTELSAT, and is the first to contract for EUTELSAT earth station facilities. The station will support Romania's public switched telephone network, significantly expanding communications capacity to Western Europe.

California Microwave's international sales, principally satellite communications systems and equipment, were up 46 percent over the prior year, representing about one-quarter of the $145.9 million in total sales reported for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

STS, located in Hauppauge, N.Y., designs, manufactures and constructs satellite communications earth stations, equipment, and networks for EUTELSAT, INTELSAT and regional satellite applications, and has built and installed over 600 major earth stations worldwide. During the past six months, STS has received contracts from Spain, the United Kingdom, China, Thailand, Argentina and Holland.

California Microwave is a leading supplier of microwave and satellite communications systems. Satellite communications earth stations and equipment account for three quarters of the company's business.

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BROOMFIELD, Colo.(SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Hathaway Corp. Monday announced that effective on Aug. 31, 1990, Global Software Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Hathaway, sold to Walker Interactive Systems of San Francisco, its credit and accounts receivable management business (''CARMS''), located in Chicago.

The assets sold included proprietary software and systems under license as well as other property and equipment used in the business. The sales price was $6,575,000 paid in cash.

E.E. Prince, president and chief executive officer, said, ''We believe the transaction will strategically benefit both Global and Walker. As was previously reported, we filed with the Internal Revenue Service a request for an income tax ruling on the proposed spin-off of Global.

''The sale of the CARMS business will help to financially position Global to achieve this strategic objective. The sales proceeds will further enhance the company's cash position which was at $8,145,000 at June 30, 1990.''

Hathaway Corp. designs, produces and markets computer software, electronic systems, electromechanical systems and instrumentation for world markets. Global Software provides both midrange and mainframe integrated accounting applications to the IBM market place.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The acquisition of Silicon Compiler Systems by Mentor Graphics brought new technology for integrating simulators.

The LSIM Simulation Manager, a software backplane developed by SCS, will be used to integrate all of the Mentor Graphics and third party simulators into a single, unified environment.

It is intended that IKOS will now use the Simulation Manager to integrate the IKOS 2800 and 2900 products into the Mentor Graphics Release 8.0 simulation environment.

The decision to integrate the IKOS simulator using the Simulation Manager technology should result in a mixed signal, mixed level simulation environment by mid-1991. This is earlier than the originally anticipated availability date for the mixed level product.

The companies plan to begin OEM sales through Mentor Graphics distribution channel in mid-1991 with the mixed signal, mixed level product rather than the standalone (non-mixed level) product previously planned for Q1/'91.

The companies plan to enhance the current joint marketing agreement by

integrating the IKOS 2800 and 2900 products into Mentor Graphics Release 7.0 environment. The companies believe these changes will result in increased interest in the large installed Mentor Graphics customer base currently using Release 7.0.

The Release 7.0 integration strategy will also enhance the efforts of Mentor Graphics Japan which is currently selling the IKOS simulator under an OEM agreement.

IKOS Systems Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and supports advanced hardware-assisted simulation systems for the application-specific integrated circuit and systems design markets.

Headquartered in Sunnyvale, the company employs more than 100 people worldwide.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Hyundai continues to expand its PC product line into the high end with a new 33MHz desktop 80386, the Super-386T.

The Super-386T is Novell-certified NetWare compatible for use both as a network file server and LAN workstation. It is a fast, reliable file server for departmental LANs and small business. OS/2 and UNIX compatible it is a solid workstation for moderately sized multi-user environments.

Its hard disk drive and memory features make it a powerful, reliable and flexible system for CAD/CAM/CAE, graphics and demanding business applicatons. It runs Microsoft's Windows 3.0.

The Super-386T is competitively postioned in the 80386/33 class, both in features and in price.

As do all Hyundai products, the Super-386T comes with an 18-month warranty one of the longest in the industry. Hyundai also offers its optional S.O.S. on-site service and support program, that delivers a trained technician to the customer's site within 24 hours.

Hyundai Electronics America is a major supplier of a full line of quality,

reliable personal computer products that are competively priced. Hyundai belongs to the $32 billion Hyundai Group, the largest industrial company in Korea.

Hyundai is located at 166 Baypointe Parkway, San Jose, CA 95134; phone 408/473-9200.

Hyundai is a registered trademark of Hyundai Electronics Industries Co., Ltd. Other products mentioned are trademarks or registered trademarks of the manufacturers with which they are associated.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - California has a bright future as a Pacific Rim economic power, but only if it can measure up to the st challenges of its neighbors around that rim.

That was the message that Richard A. Clarke, board chairman and chief executive officer of Pacific Gas and Electric Co., delivered Monday at the PacRim 90 Conference in San Francisco.

The four-day international business symposium, bringing together government, business and academic leaders from nations around the Pacific, will continue until Wednesday.

PG&E, whose headquarters are in San Francisco, is the largest gas and electric utility in the United States, with operating revenues of $8.6 billion in 1989.

Clarke noted California's history of excellence in fields as diverse as biotech research and winemaking, bluejeans and semiconductors.

''But Californians know that we cannot afford to sit back, preen and admire ourselves while there are powerful cats on the prowl in world markets,'' Clarke said.

He called attention to three major needs that must be met for California to maintain its economic strength.

''We urgently need increased productivity, better elementary and secondary education, and a cleaner environment to maintain our economic strength,''

Clarke observed.

California's economy is the eighth largest in the world, he noted, second only to Japan's on the Pacific Rim. But productivity growth in California has lagged since 1977, most alarmingly in high-tech manufacturing.

''California business must make increased productivity a top priority,'' Clarke said. ''Like the tigers of the Pac Rim, we must focus on the quality of our products and the technologies that lead to greater efficiency, new applications, new products and new jobs.''

Productivity growth requires a better educated work force able to match other Pacific Rim nations in math, science and technical skills.

''Right now, our high schools are not producing enough graduates who have these skills,'' Clarke warned. In the coming decade, when there will be more jobs to fill than people to fill them, a lack of qualified potential employees would compound the shortage.

The other key to a strong California work force in the '90s lies in the state's increasingly multicultural society -- a society in which Hispanics Asians and blacks are expected to make up half the population by the year 2000.

''Clearly, California business will have to tap the capabilities of all its citizens and ensure they have the opportunity to fully participate in, and contribute to, our economic success,'' Clarke said.

Turning to the environment, Clarke noted the pivotal role that energy utilities have to play in improving the quality of California's air, water and land resources.

PG&E's ''Green'' electric resource plan focuses on meeting most future power demand growth through increased customer efficiency in the use of energy.

''We have joined with environmentalists, consumer groups, regulators and other utilities to develop new ways to achieve that efficiency,'' Clarke said.

PG&E is also working to help accelerate such alternative energy resources as wind and solar power and is actively promoting the development and use of clean-fuel vehicles that run on compressed natural gas or electricity.

Clarke said that while major challenges must be met, California and the San Francisco Bay Area, in particular, possess ''enormous economic assets'' to succeed in Pacific Rim markets.

For example:

- California's 1989 goods and services, valued at almost $700 billion, were 14 percent of the entire U.S. economic output.

- California is America's largest manufacturer, and technology is a key element of the state's manufacturing sector. One of every three U.S. high-tech and biotech firms are in California.

- California agribusiness produces a $30 billion bounty annually, much of which goes to Asian tables.

- California is America's preeminent research state, and Bay Area universities are among the world leaders in basic science.

- The Bay Area's beauty, climate and cultural diversity are a magnet to men and women who want to work in its technologically advanced industries.

''It's a region that spawns innovators, entrepreneurs and risk-takers,'' Clarke said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Masstor Systems Corp. (NASDAQ:MSCO) Monday announced that First Tennessee Bank has ordered an M960 Mass Storage System and an M1000 Storage Module together with AMF (Archive Management Facility) software.

The order, valued at $3.5 million, includes Masstor's data compression option. The systems will provide on-line archiving of microfiche and print reduction.

Founded in 1976, Masstor Systems Corp. manufactures and services mass storage systems for IBM, Cray and Bull NH mainframe customers with very high volume applications.

It has over 100 large company and institutional customers in ten countries in North America and Europe. Its focused business strategy helps MIS managers quickly leverage their huge installed mainframe investments by automating their storage processes and expanding their on-line applications.

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LAKEWOOD, CO (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - On Sept. 6, 1990, Pegasus Gold Inc. announced a modified mining plan at the Montana Tunnels mine in western Montana based on a review of all current economic data and the most recent drill results.

Pegasus stated that the new work has been reviewed and verified by an outside consulting firm. Pegasus stated that, ''Under the revised plan, the stripping ratio at Montana Tunnels will decline by more than half over the life of the mine, from 3.3:1 to 1.4:1, while cash costs (net of by-product credits) potentially could be reduced by as much as 40 percent over the corresponding period.''

Pegasus further stated that, ''As a result, the earnings and cash flow contribution from this deposit will be enhanced considerably despite the fact that recoverable ounces of gold will drop by approximately 10 percent (5 percent on a gold equivalent basis).''

Pegasus also announced that, ''Other refinements made primarily to the mill facility have resulted in Montana Tunnels achieving the highest level of consistency and recoveries since its inception.''

USMX holds a net profits royalty interest in the Montana Tunnels mine. The company is entitled to the greater of a five percent net profits royalty interest or minimum advanced royalties of $720,000 per year until certain construction and other costs have been recovered by Pegasus (Payback), and a 50 percent net profits royalty interest thereafter.

As a result, USMX currently receives $720,000 per year from Pegasus as a minimum advanced royalties. Based on the revised plan announced by Pegasus, the prospect of Payback occurring, and USMX receiving a 50 percent net profits royalty interest, has improved.

The sensitivity of metal price improvement impact on Payback can be expressed as follows:

If the key metal prices of gold and zinc average approximately $400 per ounce and 80 cents per pound, respectively, Payback would be anticipated to occur approximately at the end of the remaining eight to nine year mine life.

If these prices average approximately $600 per ounce and 80 cents per pound, respectively, Payback would be anticipated to occur approximately

midway through the remaining mine life. Meanwhile, USMX continues to enjoy the minimum annual royalty payments of $720,000.

USMX Inc. is involved in the exploration, development, and production of gold properties in the United States. The company's stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol USMX.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - American Recreation Centers Inc. (NASDAQ:AMRC) announced Monday the operating results of its wholly owned subsidiary, the Right Start Catalog Inc., for the first quarter which ended Aug. 29.

Sales of this direct marketer of high end infant products exceeded $5 million for the quarter, up 72 percent over last year's $2.9 million. Divisional operating profit for the quarter reached $602,000, up 141 percent over last year's operating profit of $250,000.

Right Start was acquired by ARC in July 1988, and has shown dramatic growth in revenue and profitability since that time, adding a valuable new growth element to ARC's financial picture.

ARC anticipates announcing its consolidated first quarter results next week which will include the results of the Right Start announced today. First quarter results for the rest of the company are also anticipated to be substantially improved over last year's results.

American Recreation Centers Inc. is the largest publicly held corporation in the country devoted primarily to the operation of bowling centers. The company operates 27 bowling centers, 22 in California and 5 in Texas with an aggregate 1,126 lanes.

The company is also active in the development and management of real estate. Real estate activities include management and operation of bowling division real estate as well as conversion of non-productive real estate assets, including non-profitable bowling centers, into more productive assets.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Abra MacDabra Software Co. has released AbraTrak Mac, Multi-User Network Version.

AbraTrak Mac, the first Applicant Tracking system on the Macintosh, was introduced in March. Now with the release of this LAN version, all of a company's personnel involved in recruiting, interviewing and hiring can simultaneously access and instantly communicate timely recruiting information across AppleShare compatible networks.

AbraTrak drastically reduces the time and cost of processing job applications, freeing recruiters to focus on finding the right candidate instead of getting bogged down in mundane clerical work. Fast searches for skills, past employers or schools are as easy as ''clicking your mouse button.''

AbraTrak also tracks the routing of resumes, provides interview scheduling and includes a complete job requisition system for staying on top of openings and analyzing recruiting costs. Applicant oriented electronic notes provide immediate access to each interviewer's comments during the hiring process, facilitating better intra-company communications.

AbraTrak's built-in letter generator speeds communications with each applicant while reducing clerical costs by providing a user-defined library of standard letters that are automatically personalized each time they are sent. Letters can be printed at any time or batch printed at the end of the day. Mail labels are optionally produced for each letter generated.

AbraTrak has more than 40 built-in reports, as well as a wide variety of analytical and informational reports to meet most needs, including the government-required Affirmative Action (EEO) New Hires Report. Since every situation can't be anticipated, an object-oriented report writer from Fox Software is provided to make custom report generation as easy as using a paint program.

Together with Abra 2000 Employee Information System, AbraTrak provides the most cost effective human resource and recruiting software available today on both Macintosh and PC computers.

Current customers of Macintosh versions of Abra software include SuperMac, RasterOps, Silicon Beach Software and divisions of K-mart and Motorola as well as smaller companies, schools, colleges and govermental agencies across the Unied States and Canada, as well as several foreign countries.

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CITY OF INDUSTRY, CA (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Solar Energy Corp. (NASDAQ:SOLR) Monday reported net sales of $6 million for the quarter ending July 28, 1990.

This compares with net sales of $4.3 million for the same period in fiscal year 1989. Net loss for the quarter of $.5 million compares with a loss of $1.3 million for the like period of 1989. Included in the prior year's loss was $152,000 from discontinued operations.

For the nine months ending July 28, 1990, net sales were $23.4 million, the highest sales volume for nine months in the company's history. This compares with $15.3 million for the nine months ending July 29, 1989. Net loss for the current nine-month period was $95,000 as compared with $2.7 million for the nine months ending July 29, 1989, which included a $522,000 loss from discontinued operations.

Backlog at the end of the quarter was $38.5 million, an increase of $19 million from the previous quarter. Orders for laser and photosensor products were $1.5 million with the remaining orders for gallium arsenide and silicon solar cells.

The uncertainty of defense and space budgets, continuing R&D investment in the company's new laser products and setbacks in receiving certain anticipated laser and silicon solar cell contracts are expected to prevent the company from experiencing any significant improvement over its third-quarter results in the next few quarters.

Applied Solar has two business units, one producing gallium arsenide and silicon solar cells which convert sunlight directly into electrical power for the space and defense industry, and the Advanced Optoelectroncs business unit, which develops and manufactures photosensor devices and laser subassemblies for consumer, medical, defense and industrial applications.

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EL PASO, TEXAS (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - El Paso Electric Co. Monday announced the selection of John E. Droubay as the utility's new vice president and treasurer.

He replaces Gary Hedrick who was appointed to the position of vice

president of Financial Planning and Rate Administration.

Droubay, a licensed professional engineer, is a former treasurer of Utah Power and Light, where he was employed from 1960 until 1989. Additionally, his experience at the Utah utility included serving as assistant treasurer and assistant financial officer, a systems analyst, and a project engineer.

As El Paso Electric's treasurer, Droubay's responsibilities will include cash management, revenue processing, and risk management. He also will oversee the development of a new investor relations group and will be involved in the company's financings.

Droubay graduated from the University of Utah earning a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering in 1961 and a master of business administration in 1969, and is a member of Theta Tau (Professional Engineering Fraternity).

Hedrick, after serving as the company's treasurer since 1988, will assume the duties of vice president-Financial Planning and Rate Administration, a new area reflecting a combination of EPE's existing Financial Planning Department and the Regulatory Accounting and Rate Administration Department.

Additionally, Michael L. Blough has been promoted to assistant vice president of Financial Planning, and James Mayhew has been appointed vice president of Rate and Energy Utilization.

Blough, formerly manager of Budgeting and Forecasting, will assume additional responsibilities with respect to the company's financial activities. He will report directly to Hedrick.

Mayhew, who previously served as vice president-Rate and Regulatory Affairs, will oversee the Economic Rate Research Department which includes load research and rate design. Furthermore, Mayhew will oversee a new Energy Efficiency and Utilization Department which will encompass various customer energy management functions.

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LINLITHGOW, SCOTLAND (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Inc. Monday officially opened its third manufacturing and supply facility -- the first outside the United States.

The new $20 million, 140,000-square-foot plant in Linlithgow, part of

Scotland's ''Silicon Glen,'' takes advantage of the area's high-quality work force and established infrastructure. As the company with the highest percentage of exports of any U.S. computer manufacturer, Sun views the new facility as a key part of its global operations.

The new plant joins existing Sun manufacturing facilities in Milpitas, Calif., and Westford, Mass. Like its sister operations, it is designed to flexibly accommodate the shifting product needs of Sun customers.

This plant will manufacture Sun's SPARCstation 1+, the new, low-cost color SPARCstation IPC and future generations of desktop products. The new facility also gives Sun closer access to the European supply base.

In addition, the plant will act as a distribution point for the company's products in the fast-growing European marketplace, which currently represents 28 percent of Sun's total revenues.

Sun's sales in Europe have been increasing for several years; they were 10 percent of total revenues in 1985. The company just posted a record-breaking $2.47 billion in worldwide sales in fiscal 1990, with expanding European revenues helping achieve that figure.

Sun's sophisticated new Linlithgow facility was completed in only 16 months from the time work started on the site in the spring of 1989. Demonstrating Sun's long-term commitment to its global operations and the European market, the Linlithgow operation is owned by Sun rather than leased.

When operating at full capacity, approximately 300 people will be employed at the facility.

Besides its three existing facilities, Sun plans to bring another supply unit on line in the Pacific Rim in the mid 1990s.

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, Calif., is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Capital Companies Monday announced dividends for five of the real estate investment trusts sponsored and managed by the company.

Monthly dividends of $.0392 per Preferred Share and $.0392 per Common Share were declared for Sierra Capital Realty Trust VIII Co. (ASE:SZHPr and SZH) for each of the months of October, November and December, 1990, and are payable on Oct. 26, Nov. 30 and Dec. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 1, Nov. 1, and Dec. 3, respectively.

These distributions are at the same rate as dividends paid for the prior period. Trust VIII Preferred and Common shares are listed in financial publications as ''Sierra VIII pf'' and ''Sierra VIII'', respectively.

Monthly dividends of $.0292 per Preferred Share and $.0250 per Common Share were declared for Sierra Capital Realty Trust VII Co. (ASE:SZGPr and SZG) for each of the months of October, November and December, 1990 and are payable on Oct. 26, Nov. 30 and Dec. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 17, Nov. 21, and Dec. 10, respectively. These distributions are at the same rate as dividends paid for the prior period.

Trust VII Preferred and Common shares are listed in financial publications as ''Sierra VII pf'' and ''Sierra VII'', respectively.

Monthly dividends of $.0275 per Preferred Share and $.0275 per Common Share were declared for Sierra Capital Realty Trust VI Co. (ASE:SZFPr and SZF) for each of the months of October, November and December, 1990 and are payable on Oct. 26, Nov. 30, and Dec. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 17, Nov. 21 and Dec. 20, respectively.

These distributions are at the same rate as dividends paid for the prior period. Trust VI Preferred and Common Shares are listed in financial publications as ''Sierra VI pf'' and ''Sierra VI'', respectively.

Quarterly dividends of $.0750 per share were declared for Sierra Capital Realty Trust IV Co. (ASE:SZD) and are payable on Sept. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 20, 1990. These distributions are at the same rate as dividends paid for Trust IV in the prior period. Trust IV shares are listed in financial publications as ''Sierra Cap IV''.

Quarterly dividends of $.0875 per share were declared for Sierra Real Estate Equity Trust '83 (NASDAQ/OTC/NMS:SETBs) and are payable on Sept. 28 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 20, 1990. The distributions are at the same rate as dividends paid for Trust '83 in the prior period. Trust shares are listed in financial publications as ''Sierra 83''.

Sierra Capital Companies is a real estate asset manager and investment advisor specializing in the acquisition and management of light industrial buildings, community shopping center properties and other equity ventures for its public and institutional clients. Sierra Capital manages $622 million of commercial real estate which represents 13.25 million square

feet of leasable space nationally on behalf of approximately 43,000 investors.

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PARK CITY, UTAH (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Fields Software Group, a new specialty software company, has been organized by Riverview Financial Corp., an affiliate of Mrs. Fields Cookies, and Paul R. Quinn has been named president of the new company, it was announced Monday by Randy Fields, chairman of Mrs. Fields Inc.

Fields Software Group will market a special computer software system known as Retail Operations Intelligence, or ROI. ROI is a knowledge-based proprietary software system that has been developed by Mrs. Fields as a complete store information management system. ROI is now used by Mrs. Fields in all the company's U.S. retail stores and in the company's La Petite Boulangerie bakery stores.

''Retail business is a daily business,'' said Randy Fields. ''Management must have daily data to know how a retail operation is doing. At the same time, local managers must be available to address customer and employee matters, and do not have time to spend excessive time reporting daily results to management.''

''ROI software allows for both. It allows management to receive daily data from hundreds of far-flung operations. At the same time, local store managers are able to spend most of their time attending to customers and staff matters,'' he said.

Fields said he was pleased to announce the appointment of Quinn as president of Fields Software Group.

Quinn is a recognized computer specialist, and has participated in the building of the Mrs. Fields information and communications systems, including the ROI software.

He joined Mrs. Fields Cookies in 1984 and was named a vice president of MIS in 1987. He holds a double bachelor of arts degree in business management and computer science from Idaho State University, and worked in the data processing field for several years prior to joining Mrs. Fields Cookies.

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LIVERMORE, CALIF. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - An entirely new family of aerogels has been developed by scientists at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL).

Called organic aerogels, these super-lightweight materials are extremely similar to the silica aerogels that have attracted international attention from reporters and businesses in recent months.

First discovered in the 1930's, silica aerogels are a transparent, highly porous substance considered to be one of the world's lightest known solids.

In mid-January, LLNL scientists announced they had created a new silica aerogel about 10 times less dense than the previous lightest silica aerogels.

One fundamental difference between the two types of aerogels is that while the new organic aerogels are mainly componsed of carbon and hydrogen atoms the silica aerogels mainly consist of silicon dioxide (sand).

Livermore scientists are believed to be the only researchers in the world who have ever produced the new organic aerogels, according to LLNL polymer chemist Rick Pekala, the inventor of the new materials.

''We looked at the silica aerogel chemistry and we asked ourselves: 'Can we do this with organic chemistry?,' '' Pekala recalled. ''Our conclusion was: 'Yes, we can.' After we investigated several different approaches, we achieved success.''

To date, over the past three years, LLNL researchers have developed three new organic aerogels -- carbon, resorcinol-formaldehyde and melamine-formaldehyde, according to Pekala.

One of the organic aerogels may have even better insulation properties than silica aerogels, which have the highest thermal resistance of any solid ever tested, according to Pekala. Another organic aerogel could find use as a medium for metallic catalysts.

LLNL received a U.S. patent late last year for the resorcinol-formaldehyde and carbon aerogels and has filed additional patent applications for the production of the other aerogels.

The newest of the organic materials is the melamine-formaldehyde aerogel, which was developed this past spring. Like the silica aerogel, it has a bluish tint and is transparent. The other two organic materials are

colored black (the carbon) and reddish (the resorcinol-formaldehyde).

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PHOENIX (SEPT 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Emerald Homes L.P. (NYSE:EHP), a Delaware limited partnership, Monday announced a loss of $10.2 million, or $1.94 per unit, for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, compared with income of $478,000, or 6 cents per unit, during the second quarter of 1989.

Revenues for the second quarter of 1990 decreased 39 percent to $13.3 million from $21.9 million for the comparable 1989 quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, Emerald had a loss of $10 million, or $1.92 per unit, compared with income of $510,000, or 5 cents per unit, during the second quarter of 1989. Revenues for the first six months of 1990 increased 13 percent to $46 million from $40.6 million for the comparable 1989 quarter.

Results for 1990 include the California and Texas operations through March 21, 1990. On March 21, 1990, the California and Texas operations were sold to Verit Industries.

Unit deliveries decreased 17 percent to 108 in the second quarter of 1990 from 130 in 1989 and gross margins decreased to 3 percent in 1990 from 12 percent in 1989. For Arizona operations only, unit deliveries increased 135 percent from 46 in 1989 to 108 in 1990 and gross margins were 9 percent during the second quarter of 1989 compared to 3 percent in 1990.

''Our housing sales are still strong in Phoenix despite the difficult real estate market and slowing economy,'' said Lewis J. Wright, president and chief executive officer, ''however our margins remain slim due to these market conditions.''

Dollar backlog, for Arizona only, has increased 37 percent to $26.2 million (209 units) at June 30, 1990, from $19.1 million (130 units) at June 30, 1989.

New orders for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, increased 83 percent to 110 (Arizona only) from 60 (Arizona only) in the quarter ended June 30, 1989, Wright added.

During the quarter, the company took a $2.4 million mark-to-market loss on its ownership of Homeplex Mortgage Investments Corp. common stock.

Subsequent to June 30, the general partners of Quail Creek Country Club L.P. ceased sales activites due to the lack of financing. Emerald is a limited partner and has reserved for potential future losses its entire investment in the partnership of $4.5 million. The general partners are seeking new sources of financing.

''We continue to face difficulties in obtaining new sources of construction financing and are actively seeking additional capital which will assist in restructuring our debt and securing new borrowings for future operations,'' Wright concluded.

Emerald Homes L.P. designs, builds and markets single family homes in Arizona.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Novellus Systems Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:NVLS) Monday unveiled a new product that marks the company's entry into the tungsten deposition market.

The new system, the Concept One-W, deposits blanket tungsten metal films. (W is the chemical symbol for tungsten.) Tungsten is being increasingly used for contact/via filling and interconnect applications in advanced semiconductor devices.

In making the announcement, Novellus President Bob Graham stressed the productivity benefits of the new system. ''Our strategy with the Concept One-W is the same as our strategy for the original Concept One.

''We are providing systems that solve production cost problems of semiconductor manufacturers. The system provides high-quality films at a high net throughput and the lowest cost per wafer. The Concept One-W is targeted for those manufacturers who are planning to use tungsten films in volume production applications.''

The Concept One-W is based on the same simple design approach that contributes to the proven reliability of the Concept One.

Novelllus Systems Inc. manufactures, markets and services advanced automated wafer fabrication systems worldwide for semiconductor manufacturing development.

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TORRANCE, CALIF. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Epson America Inc. is setting an industry precedent with the announcement of a 5.8-pound personal computer that incorporates an 80386SX processor, black-on-white VGA graphics, a 3.5-inch floppy disk drive and a 20 MB or 40 MB hard drive.

With dimensions of 8.5-by-11.7-by-1.7 inches, the Epson NB3s computer fits easily into a briefcase for optimum portability. At the same time, it is a high-performance unit that accommodates up to 5 MB of random access memory and supports graphical user interfaces such as Microsoft's Windows.

Sanford Weisman, product manager, portable computers, said, ''The NB3s provides the portability of a notebook computer without sacrificing performance. Epson eliminated the bulk and weight that has traditionally been inherent to 386SX computers, but left in the power, memory, speed, expandability, keyboard and display capabilities.''

The Epson NB3s includes standard I/O ports that allow it to connect to serial devices, parallel printers, an external VGA monitor or a numeric keypad. With an easily installed 80387 math co-processor, users can perform financial computations using advanced software written for 386 systems. For expandability and added flexibility, the 20 MB and 40 MB hard disk drives are removable.

Mobile users can utilize a removable Ni-cad battery that has a life of two to three hours, and can be recharged in a quick two hours. User convenience is further enhanced by an array of automatic and manual power-saving features.

The Epson NB3s has a black-on-white screen that produces 16 shades of gray with 640-by-480 resolution. Video Graphics Array (VGA) technology provides the sharpest bit-map screen quality available. A back-lit liquid-crystal display (LCD) screen provides clarity that rivals today's top portables.

If additional power is required, the NB3s plugs into an optional docking station that can support an additional 120 MB of hard disk drive storage, two full-size AT slots, and an external 101-character keyboard. The computer and docking station have a combined weight of just 9.5 pounds, offering continued portability as well as desktop performance.

The Epson NB3s computer is scheduled for availability in late 1990, and will be displayed at the Comdex show in Las Vegas, Nov. 12-16.

Epson America is a manufacturer and marketer of personal computer and imaging products serving the North American marketplace.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The Bay Area's two oldest specialty coffee roasters took their final step toward merger Monday when the U.S. Bankruptcy Court approved a plan for the name, assets and inventories of United Coffee Corp., San Francisco, to be acquired for $3 million by Peerless Coffee Co., headquartered in Oakland.

The proposed merger was a key feature of the Chapter 11 bankruptcy plan filed with the court in mid-August by Cafco Coffee Inc., United's parent company.

Sonja Vukasin, co-proprietor of the family-owned Peerless firm, said the merger of United's operations with Peerless ''can now move to completion quickly and efficiently.'' United will operate as a division of Peerless and will continue to produce and market United's popular flavored coffees, varietals and blends under the United name.

Peerless will continue to operate the United roasting facility at 1455 3rd Street in San Francisco for the time being.

Both firms sell to upscale and moderate-priced restaurants, hotels, clubs, caterers and food markets concentrated in the western 16 states, as well as gourmet and specialty stores across the United States.

Among Peerless' and United's restaurant customers are such well known establishments as Trader Vics, Stars, The Blue Fox, California Cafe, Scott's Seafood, Julius' Castle, The Waterfront, Fleur De Lys and Embarco.

Peerless and United, both founded in the Bay Area in the 20's, have been family owned and operated businesses whose proprietors have taken a strong ''hands on'' approach to management, from roasting and blending to customer service.

At Peerless Coffee Co., the title of ''proprietor'' is shared by George Vukasin and his wife Sonja. The business was pioneered by Vukasin's father John, who died in 1975. George joined the company in 1957, and, as he likes to say, ''learned the coffee business from the ground up.''

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DENVER (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - CoCa Mines Inc. sold the remaining 752,835 shares that it held in Equity Silver Mines Ltd. at an average price of US $1.04.

This will result in a pre-tax gain of approximately $350,000.

The shares were sold in anticipation of developing the $46 million Grouse Creek project in Idaho. At Dec. 31, 1989, the two mineral deposits identified on the project encompassed eight million tons of ore containing 476,000 ounces of gold and 11,177,000 ounces of silver. CoCa Mines is currently completing infill drilling at the Grouse Creek South extension which is expected to add approximately two million tons of proven ore.

CoCa Mines Inc. is a North American gold producer. Its shares are listed on the NASDAQ (COCA) and Toronto Stock Exchange (CMI).

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The mergers of Odyssey Entertainment Ltd. and Double Helix Films Inc. into Communications and Entertainment Corp. (ComEnt)(NASDAQ:CECO/CECO A) became effective Friday, Sept. 7, upon the filing of the appropriate merger documents with the Secretaries of State of Nevada and New York.

As of Monday, both classes of ComEnt Stock began trading on NASDAQ under the symbols CECO and CECO A for the common and Class A stock, respectively.

Double Helix common stock will be exchanged for shares of ComEnt common stock. Odyssey Entertainment common stock will be exchanged for shares of ComEnt Class A stock. Shares of Class A stock can be exchanged for .6375 shares of common stock.

ComEnt, based in Los Angeles, is primarily engaged in licensing the distribution rights to U.S. and foreign feature films in foreign markets. The company will develop the Double Helix library of films and produce, co-produce or provide financing for films. Through Odyssey Distributors, the company will package and distribute high-quality U.S. and foreign films on a worldwide basis.

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ROSWELL, NM (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert O. Anderson, chairman and chief executive officer of Hondo Oil & Gas Co. (ASE:HOG), announced an indicated Ellenberger discovery in Irion County, Texas.

The Pipeline ''57'' well is located in the company's Scottish Rite block and is near the Crossroads wells drilled earlier this year.

The company submitted an initial potential test report to the Texas Railroad Commission indicating that the well flowed 503 barrels of 43-degree gravity oil in 24 hours on a 26/64-inch choke. The company owns 100 percent of the working interest in the well and in several thousand acres of leasehold in the block.

Anderson also reported that the company is enjoying a very strong fourth quarter of its current fiscal year. ''The profitable operation of the Fletcher refinery, the success of our drilling program and the recent surge in crude oil prices have had a major and favorable impact on the company,'' he said.

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CALGARY, Alberta (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Sceptre Resources Ltd. (ASE:SRL, ToSE/MoSE:SRL.) announced Monday that the company has substantially completed the placement of a crude oil price hedge through the New York Mercantile Exchange to lock-in the currently available high crude oil prices for 50 percent of Sceptre's expected crude oil and liquids production for the 15-month period October 1990 to December 1991.

To date, Sceptre has sold forward 4.5 million barrels of crude oil in approximately equal monthly increments for the period at a weighted average realized price of U.S. $26.15 West Texas Intermediate (W.T.I.).

The total hedge position includes 0.9 million barrels of remaining 1990 production at a weighted average realized price of U.S. $28.81 W.T.I., and 3.6 million barrels of 1991 production at a weighted average realized price of U.S. $25.48 W.T.I. As the market permits, the company is planning to increase its 1991 hedge position to reach approximately 50

percent of estimated 1991 production.

The assurance that about half of the company's crude oil production will receive prices higher than previously expected over the remainder of 1990 and 1991 will enhance the certainty of improved financial results and the company's capacity to plan expanded capital expenditure programs.

Sceptre Resources Ltd. is a large, independent Canadian exploration and production company.

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MISSION VIEJO, Calif. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Strategic Acquisitions Inc., a Nevada corporation, announced Monday that it had completed a merger with Viatool Corp., a privately held California corporation, whereby Viatool was merged with and into Strategic with Strategic being the surviving corporation.

According to representatives at Strategic, all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of Viatool, consisting of 10,333,333 common shares, were converted into 10,333,333 newly issued, restricted shares of Strategic's $.001 par value common stock pursuant to the merger, resulting in the prior shareholders of Viatool owning 86.59 percent of the currently issued and outstanding common stock of Strategic.

Five hundred thousand of the shares of Strategic common stock issued in the merger are currently being held in escrow pending completion of an audit of Viatool's financial statements at which time, based on the results of the audit, the shares will either be delivered to the prior Viatool shareholders or cancelled.

As a result of the merger, Strategic has acquired a wholly owned subsidiary, Trio Metal Stampings Inc., a Nevada corporation, which is in the business of providing high-quality short-run metal stamping.

Viatool was in the business of designing and producing metal and plastic components and subassemblies for original equipment manufacturers (OEMs). It provided soft-tooling services for metal stampings, machined components and electro-mechanical subassemblies. Strategic intends to continue the businesses of both Viatool and Trio Metal Stampings Inc.

As a result of the merger, Scott H. Meeker, the prior president, director

and majority shareholder of Viatool, has become the sole director and sole officer of Strategic. Management intends to change the name of the company to ''Viatool Industries Inc.''

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Olympic Savings Bank (NASDAQ:OSBW) announced Monday that it will be recording an adjustment to its financial statements to reflect a $1.6 million after-tax reduction in prior period net earnings.

The bank said the adjustment results from a determination by the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) that certain gains on the sale of loan servicing recognized in 1989 and in 1990 should be deferred and recognized as income over the estimated life of certain related mortgage-backed securities, rather than recognized at the time of sale.

Olympic said the adjustment to retained earnings will have the additional effect of reducing Olympic's capital and will put it out of compliance with the capital restoration plan filed earlier with the OTS. After adjustments, Olympic's shareholder equity was $2.7 million at June 30, 1990, and stated book value was $2.02 per share. The bank had total assets of $247.5 million at June 30, 1990, compared to $229.9 million one year earlier.

''Local OTS officials have indicated that they will allow Olympic Savings Bank to submit a revised Capital Restoration Plan in light of the fact that the accounting treatment will reduce the bank's capital and put it out of compliance with the Capital Restoration Plan approved earlier this year by the OTS,'' said John W. Fuller, chairman and CEO. Olympic's original Capital Restoration Plan was approved by the OTS in April 1990.

Fuller said gains which the OTS believes should be deferred resulted from the 1989 and 1990 sale of loan servicing rights relating to certain mortgage-backed securities which have been used by Olympic in a transaction referred to as a ''dollar reverse repurchase'' transaction. Prior to the time of the transaction, Olympic sought and received a written opinion from its independent accountants, Price Waterhouse, that the transaction and the proposed accounting treatment of it would be in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

''The transaction and the independent accountants' written opinion relating to it were examined by the OTS without comment in connection with its examination of Olympic in November 1989,'' Fuller noted.

''Nevertheless, the OTS has now notified Olympic that it has changed its position with respect to the appropriate accounting for this particular transaction and is requiring the indicated adjustment.''

Olympic stated that had this adjustment been recorded earlier it would have had the effect of reducing Olympic's 1989 earnings to a loss of $2.6 million from the previously reported loss of $1.7 million and the 1990 six month earnings to a loss of $1.7 million from the previously reported loss of $1.0 million. The bank said $1.1 million of the $2.5 million income that Olympic previously reported from gains on sale of loan serving will continue to be recognized as before-tax income in 1989. Gains on such sales can be recognized at the time of sale if the selling institution also disposes of the loans or mortgage-backed securities to which the servicing relates.

Headquartered in Seattle, Olympic Savings Bank serves 44,000 customers through 26 full-service branches in Western Washington. Olympic has 17 branches located in Puget Sound-area supermarkets and nine free-standing branches.

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BLUE BELL, PA (SEPT. 10)--U.S. Bioscience Inc. (ASE:UBS), a company specializing in the development and commercialization of anticancer compounds, announced an agreement with David Bull Laboratories Pty. Ltd. (DBL), the injectable products division of the Australian Pharmaceutical Group, F.H. Faulding and Co. Ltd., pursuant to which DBL is granted marketing rights to Hexalen, an oral anticancer agent for advanced ovarian cancer, in Australia and New Zealand.

The company submitted a new drug application for Hexalen in 1988, which is pending. The agreement involves up-front payments, future royalties and cooperation in the manufacture of these products.

In addition to Hexalen, DBL will have the option to acquire rights in the same territory for five other anticancer drugs currently under development by U.S. Bioscience. Among these is Ethyol, a chemo/radiation protective agent which, in clinical trials, has exhibited the ability to reduce or prevent the toxicity normally associated with cancer treatment.

''David Bull Laboratories is a strong company with a record of success in

the field of anticancer sales. In addition, their manufacturing capability makes them an ideal partner, especially in the Pacific where we do not have resources to market directly,'' said Dr. Philip Schein, chief executive officer of U.S. Bioscience.

U.S. Bioscience is a pharmaceutical company specializing in drugs to increase survival and productivity in patients with cancer. The company's portfolio includes an array of compounds, some of which are in late stages of development (one pending NDA, two in Phase III and one in Phase II clinical trials).

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ALAMEDA, CA (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Ithaca Software, the developer of the HOOPS Graphics System, has appointed CAT Software as its Texas area representative.

CAT Software's operations, based in Hurst, Texas, are under the direction of Lou Marchant and Linda Yates, and service the states of Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas.

Prior to founding CAT Software in March, Marchant was senior account executive of Template Graphics Software Inc. She opened its Texas office in 1988 and was responsible for sales of 3-D graphics applications in the central time zone. In 1989, Marchant was awarded Template Graphics Software's award for the most product ever sold in one year.

Marchant has extensive sales experience in software, and super minicomputers manufactured for the aerospace and defense industries, as well as turnkey CADD systems. She has a bachelor of science degree in architecture from the University of Texas at Arlington and a master of science degree in civil engineering from Southern Methodist University.

Prior to founding CAT Software with Marchant, Yates was sales assistant to Marchant at Template Graphics Software Inc. and at ELXSI. She has a bachelor of science degree in sociology from North Texas State University.

In August of 1986, Ithaca Software introduced the HOOPS Graphics System at ACM Siggraph '86. Since 1987, HOOPS has been licensed to thousands of software developers at more than 500 commercial and 100 academic sites. In 1988, HOOPS won a Digital Review Target Award Nomination. In 1989, HOOPS received BYTE magazine's Award of Distinction.

HOOPS is an integrated library of software routines used by software

developers to create highly interactive 3-D graphics applications. In addition, the system is licensed by hardware manufacturers as a programming interface for graphics devices. The library is written in C and may be called by C or Fortran applications.

HOOPS provides programmers with all of the tools necessary to build complete 2-D or 3-D applications using vector or raster graphics. Because of its platform independent design, HOOPS application can be ported, without modification, across a wide range of platforms.

Ithaca Software develops, markets and supports interactive graphics software development systems for personal workstations. Ithaca Software, incorporated in 1985, is a privately held company based in Alameda.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Seiko Instruments USA Inc. announced Monday it has bundled its 20-inch (19-inch viewing), CM-2050 color monitor with an Orchid Technology's ProDesigner II video board for IBM-PC compatible computers.

This bundle is the most cost-effective, 20-inch, 1024 x 768 non-interlaced color video system available in the market today. In addition, Seiko Instruments CM-2050 uses an enhanced Trinitron technology that provides color brightness and sharpness superior to other video systems costing much more: $4,300 to $6,000.

The package includes a free $469, state-of-the-art video board from Orchid Technology with the purchase of a CM-2050 color monitor at the regular price of $2,999.

Together, the monitor and video card comprise a complete video system that supports VGA, Super VGA and resolutions up to 1024 x 768 pixels, non-interlaced.

This 1024 x 768 resolution allows the user to view 2.5 times more information than a 640 x 480 VGA resolution and enables users to see the working area of two letter-size pages viewed side-by-side.

Users will find the CM-2050's large screen highly productive for page layouts, CAD/CAM, presentation graphics and large spreadsheets.

''We believe these two products jointly offer the fastest, sharpest and brightest high-resolution images at a list price of $2,999,'' said Hiro Motoshima, general manager of the Seiko Instruments PC Products Division.

Features of the CM-2050 color monitor include a Trinitron CRT for higher resolution, sharper focus, better contrast and less glare than a conventional cathode ray tube. In addition, the CM-2050 offers a dark background CRT for brighter colors, a tilt and swivel base, and true linear tracking, which automatically syncs with all video-board frequencies from VGA to 1024 x 768, non-interlaced.

Seiko Instruments USA is an affiliate of Seiko Instruments Inc., a major international manufacturer of watches, computer graphics devices, consumer electronics, LCD-based products, electronic components, scientific instruments, robotics and photomask repair equipment.

The PC Products Division markets color monitors, digitizing tablets and tables, and the Smart Label Printer for IBM PC-compatible and Macintosh computers. The division is located at 1144 Ringwood Court, San Jose, 95131; 408/922-5900.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Plus Logic Inc., Monday released version 2.0 of its PLUSTRAN Design System, which supports its PLUS Array line of high performance field programmable gate arrays (FPGAs).

PLUSTRAN reads a circuit description prepared on industry standard design tools, compiles the information into optimized logic patterns and then maps those logic patterns onto the target device in minutes. The new release, PLUSTRAN 2.0, broadens support for 286 and 386 PC CAD tools, and adds support for Sun 3 and 4 UNIX CAD tools.

Through automatic partitioning, minimization and optimization, PLUSTRAN

2.0 provides an average of 20 percent greater utilization of Plus' family of high performance FPGAs over PLUSTRAN 1.0. The user interface has also been improved, making it even easier for system designers to get started.

PC and UNIX schematic capture packages now supported by PLUSTRAN 2.0 include those from Data I/O (FutureNet Dash), Viewlogic and OrCAD and behavioral languages from Data I/O (ABEL), Logical Devices (CUPL) and Advanced Micro Devices (PALASM). Plus Logic supplies a library of components for each supported schematic capture tool. Mentor Schematic Capture System will be supported by the end of the fourth quarter.

With PLUSTRAN 2.0's improved logic minimization, Plus Logic's FPGA2020, a 4000 gate equivalent part, becomes a 4800-5000 gate equivalent part. This increase in density and performance is due to improvements in the optimizer/minimizer which speeds up portions of the design by merging and combining functions in a single timing pass through the chip.

Plus Logic Inc. is a semiconductor company providing award-winning, innovative high performance silicon products and software design tools for the programmable gate array and subsystem logic market worldwide. For more information, contact Plus Logic, 1255 Parkmoor Avenue, San Jose 95126. Phone: 408/293-7587 (PLUS). FAX: 408/298-7587 (PLUS).

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DAYTON, OHIO (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. Monday became the first major vendor to announce a high-speed wireless local-area network (LAN) which eliminates the need for wiring to connect personal computers in office settings.

Called NCR WaveLAN, it transmits data at 2 million bits per second (Mbs), more than nine times faster than any other wireless LAN currently available. It is also compatible with Novell NetWare and features ''spread-spectrum frequency technology,'' which provides highly-reliable data transmission without interference or interception.

NCR WaveLAN is designed for businesses wanting additional flexibility in the location and movement of PCs and LANs. Many face high costs or barriers to installing LAN cabling, such as in older buildings. WaveLAN is also easier to install than traditional wired LANs, because it doesn't require cabling.

''WaveLAN's speed and reliability features make it ideal to create a wireless LAN in office, educational and retail settings, using industry standards for PC hardware and software,'' said Robert James, vice president of NCR's Cooperative Marketing Division.

''WaveLAN is the ideal product for the office because it provides the flexibility and freedom to put people and PCs wherever they need to be, without the time and costs required to install or move wired LANs.'' said James.

The product consists of a single printed-circuit board, which fits into the expansion slot of an IBM PC/AT or compatible, connected to an omni-directional antenna housed in a 3-inch-square case. The antenna is mounted nearby, such as on the PC cabinet, a wall or office partition.

NCR's WaveLAN has a suggested price of $1,390 for the Network Interface Card including Novell drivers and the omni-directional antenna, and $90 for the optional DES (Data Encryption Standard) security feature.

NCR Corp., with headquarters in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - PEER Reseach Inc. of San Jose, Monday announced that David A. Laws has been appointed president and chief executive officer.

Prior to joining PEER, Laws was vice president of marketing for Altera Corp. Altera, also of San Jose, is the world's largest supplier of CMOS Programmable Logic Devices. Laws joined Altera in 1986 from Advanced Micro Devices where he was vice president of business development. During his 11 years at AMD, Laws was also responsible for managing the Programmable Logic products business unit.

PEER was founded by three engineers, John Birkner, Andrew Chan, and H.T. Chua, who have worked together as a team for more than 14 years. While at Monolithic Memories Inc. (since acquired by AMD) they were responsible for the development of the original PAL devices which form the basis for today's Programmable Logic Device market.

PEER has developed a unique technology for the fabrication of very high performance user-programmable, CMOS ASIC devices. The first products are scheduled for introduction in 1991.

''I was attracted to PEER, because its approach promises to provide, for the first time, user-programmable devices matching both the speed and the low power of custom masked gate arrays,'' said Laws.

''Today's FPGAs, while well accepted in low speed applications, cannot keep pace with the ever-increasing performance of microprocessors. PEER products will open a whole new spectrum of applications to high density programmable solutions.''

The company also announced the closing of its first major round of financing. Investors include Sequoia Capital, Sutter Hill, Technolgy Venture Investors, and U.S. Venture Partners.

Irwin Federman of U.S. Venture Partners, who was president of Monolithic Memories during its pioneering efforts in the PAL device business, said, ''I am pleased to continue my association with the founders of PEER. It looks as if they have come up with another invention which will prove to be just as important as their PAL blockbuster.''

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ENGLEWOOD, COLO. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Nu-West Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:FERT) announced a consolidated net loss of $52.9 million, or $3.77 per common share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, compared to a consolidated net loss of $9.4 million, or 69 cents per common share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

Net product sales were $93.8 million and gross margin was $1.1 million for the year ended June 30, compared to $154.7 million and $5.2 million for the year ended June 30, 1989.

The company's current period results of operations were impacted by the disposition of its Gulf Coast subsidiaries, Nu-Gulf Industries Inc. and Nu-South Industries Inc. The company sold the capital stock of Nu-Gulf on

Jan. 31.

Nu-South filed a voluntary petition for liquidation under Chapter 7 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code on Feb. 1. The consolidated net loss for the current period includes a $36.4 million loss provision for these dispositions.

In addition, the Gulf Coast subsidiaries incurred idle plant expenses and operating losses totaling $9.6 million during the current fiscal year prior to the disposition.

The remaining operating assets of the company are its Conda phosphate fertilizer and related mining operations located at Soda Springs, Idaho. On a proforma basis for the Conda operations, the company reported earnings before interest of $1.0 million for the current fiscal year vs. the prior year total of $11.1 million.

Product sales totaled $81.4 million vs. prior year sales of $86.9 million. Interest expense of $8.6 million resulted in a net loss of $7.6 million for the current year compared to prior year interest expense of $2.8 million and income of $8.3 million for the Conda operations.

Results for the fourth quarter 1990, relating to the continuing operations at the Conda facility, reflect the combination of a small net income reduced by a $4.3 million writedown of the note receivable on the sale of Nu-Gulf, for a net loss for the quarter of $4.2 million.

Based on management's assessment of its risk-adjusted, currently realizable value, the note receivable from Gulf Atlantic Corp. from the sale of Nu-Gulf has been reduced to $2.5 million. Net product sales for the fourth quarter 1990 were $21.1 million, compared with $22.4 million for the prior year period.

Nu-West is engaged in the manufacture and sale of phosphate fertilizer products.

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MILPITAS, CA (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - NetFRAME Systems Inc. Monday announced that Ing. C. Olivetti & C., S.p.A. will market NetFRAME's family of network computer systems on an OEM basis to corporate customers throughout Europe, Canada and Australia.

The systems will be distributed by Olivetti Systems & Networks (OS&N), the Olivetti Group company dedicated to distributed data processing, as well as

through authorized Olivetti resellers on a country by country basis. The value of the agreement is estimated at $200 million over the next three years.

NetFRAME's ''network mainframes'' -- a family of network file and application servers designed to run industry standard network operating systems including NetWare 386 and OS/2 LAN Manager -- were introduced one year ago, and have been shipping to corporate customers since late 1989.

They combine the high reliability, data integrity and computing power of mainframes with the manageability, flexibility and cost advantages of personal computers. The result is the first dedicated server platform for the PC LAN environment offering faster and more cost-effective implementation of strategic systems and new levels of business productivity and organizational effectiveness.

''Olivetti is well positioned in many countries as a provider of systems solutions,'' noted Enzo Torresi, NetFRAME president and chief executive officer. ''We are excited to be an integral part of their strategy, and about the opportunities our partnership opens up for both companies.

''The PC LAN market around the world is demonstrating a continued healthy growth rate, and the Olivetti-NetFRAME server will provide companies with the solution they need to take full advantage of the benefits of PC networks,'' Torresi added.

NetFRAME Systems Inc. is a privately held company started in 1987 by Carlton G. Amdahl, a veteran mainframe computer scientist, and Enzo Torresi, co-founder of Businessland Inc. The company designs, manufactures and markets a family of network servers designed specifically for client/server computing in corporate environments.

The Olivetti Group, based in Ivrea, Italy, is a leading Europe-based information technology company and is ranked among the top 10 computer systems companies worldwide. It is active at the forefront of the computer and office automation industries with innovative products ranging from personal and minicomputers, to specialized workstations and office equipment.

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TULSA, OKLA. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Geodyne Resources Inc. Geodyne Resources, Inc. (NASDAQ: GEOD) Monday announced that the $150 million registration of units in its PaineWebber/Geodyne Institutional/Pension

Energy Income Program II was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on Aug. 15.

Units in the first partnership expected to be activated under this Program the P-7 Limited Partnership, are currently being offered.

The company also said that cumulative investor subscriptions for the calendar year for all of its Energy Income Programs were 26 percent ahead of 1989 as of Aug. 31. This year's cumulative investor subscriptions stood at $84.2 million compared to $66.8 million for the same period in 1989.

Total Energy Income Program investments now stand at $488 million. Sales of currently open currently open PaineWebber/Geodyne Energy Income Limited Partnership III-E and PaineWebber/Geodyne Institutional/Pension Energy Income Limited Partnership P-7 are included in these figures through Aug. 31.

On Sept. 5, 1990, PaineWebber/Geodyne Energy Income Limited Partnership III-D was activated with subscriptions totalling $13,100,800 from 823 investors and the PaineWebber/Geodyne Institutional/Pension Energy Income Limited Partnership P-6 was activated with subscriptions totalling $14,304,100 from 948 investors.

Acquisitions made on behalf of these partnerships during the company's second fiscal quarter will have an impact on Geodyne's earnings for the period ended Aug. 31, 1990. Estimated acquisitions for the period are approximately $19.5 million, which will result in the recognition of management fee income and marketing expense, compared to $15.9 million of acquisitions in the same period of the previous fiscal year.

Headquartered in Tulsa, Geodyne Resources, Inc. manages the PaineWebber/Geodyne Energy Income Programs I, II and III and PaineWebber/Geodyne Institutional/Pension Energy Income Programs I and II and evaluates, acquires, manages and develops oil and gas reserves for its limited partnerships. The company also has offices in Houston and San Antonio.

No offer of units in either PaineWebber/Geodyne Energy Income Program III or PaineWebber/Geodyne Institutional/Pension Energy Income Program II is being made hereby. Any such offer may only be made by a prospectus covering the respective program.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Gensia Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ:GNSA) Monday announced that Ian McBeath has joined the company as vice president, Gensia Europe Ltd.

McBeath will be responsible for overseeing ongoing and planned clinical trials in Europe for the company's two initial pharmaceutical products leading up to European regulatory submissions. He will also be developing pre-marketing programs in Europe for these products, according to David F. Hale, president and chief executive officer.

''Ian's background includes nearly 20 years of management in the pharmaceutical industry,'' Hale said.

''His experience in sales, marketing and the launch of pharmaceutical products will be very important to the successful commercialization of Gensia's future product introductions for the treatment and diagnosis of cardiovascular disease, and eventually for the treatment of cerebrovascular and neurological diseases.''

Prior to joining Gensia, McBeath was marketing director for ICI Pharmaceuticals in Manchester, England. He was responsible for the marketing of pharmaceutical products for both ICI Pharmaceuticals and Stuart Laboratories in the United Kingdom.

McBeath also served as marketing manager and national sales manager with ICI, where he launched products in three major therapeutic areas.

From 1980 to 1985, McBeath was with Ortho Pharmaceuticals in the United Kingdom, ending as European market development manager. One of his key achievements during this time was the establishment of a new subsidiary in Ireland. McBeath also served as national sales manager and marketing manager with Ortho.

McBeath began his career in the pharmaceutical industry at Beecham Pharmaceuticals, where he held positions as medical representative, promotions manager and marketing services manager.

Gensia Pharmaceuticals Inc. is a San Diego-based biopharmaceutical company

formed to discover, develop, manufacture and market novel pharmaceutical products for the treatment and diagnosis of human diseases.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Eastern Utilities Associates (EUA) announced Monday that it was extending its $40 cash tender offer for UNITIL Corp. (UNITIL) until midnight, New York City time, Friday, Oct. 26, 1990, to allow the Securities and Exchange Commission and the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission to continue their review of the proposed acquisition.

In announcing the extension EUA chairman Donald G. Pardus stated: ''EUA has been voluntarily demonstrating the benefits of its offer to UNITIL shareholders and ratepayers before the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission for several months now. EUA is extremely pleased with the progress of these hearings and expects a decision from the New Hampshire PUC sometime in the late fall.''

Pardus further stated: ''EUA intends to vigorously pursue all available regulatory paths necessary to allow UNITIL shareholders to vote on our tender offer. Of course, we remain willing to negotiate a friendly transation with UNITIL which would avoid unnecessary costs and further delay. If UNITIL shareholders prefer, we are also willing to consider a stock-for-stock exchange in conjunction with our cash offer.''

98,421 shares of UNITIL common stock have already been tendered in response to EUA's tender offer for UNITIL.

UNITIL provides electric service to approximately 59,500 customers in 31 communities in two areas of New Hampshire, the greater Concord and Seacoast areas, according to its latest annual report.

EUA is a Boston-based, investor-owned, holding company whose shares are traded on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges. Subsidiaries are Blackstone Valley Electric Co., Eastern Edison Co., Montaup Electric Co., Newport Electric Corp., EUA Cogenex Corp., EUA Energy Investment Corp., EUA Ocean State Corp., EUA Power Corp., and EUA Service Corp.

Together, the companies are known as the EUA System. The EUA System provides electric service to approximately 287,000 customers in Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Monday announced the immediate availability of 1-2-3 Release 3.1.

The new spreadsheet is a major upgrade to the best-selling 1-2-3 that provides an easy-to-use, WYSIWYG (What-You-See-Is-What-You-Get) graphical environment, combined with powerful analytic tools and advanced spreadsheet publishing.

Designed for users who need to easily organize, analyze, and present spreadsheet information, 1-2-3 Release 3.1 supports DOS and DOS with Windows 3.0.

Lotus is supporting the 1-2-3 Release 3.1 product launch with an aggressive advertising and promotional campaign. This campaign includes a new program that enables users to upgrade instantly at participating computer retail stores.

Within the graphical environment of 1-2-3 Release 3.1, users can perform all spreadsheet operations using either the keyboard or the mouse, without leaving the familiar 1-2-3 program. This includes the ability to modify or enter spreadsheet information, add color, change fonts, and print presentation-quality output.

''With 1-2-3 Release 3.1, users are not only getting the best spreadsheet available, they're also getting the only product that is keystroke, macro, and data compatible with the spreadsheet used by more than 12 million people today,'' said Marty Fahey, director of marketing for Lotus' PC spreadsheets. ''We'll be aggressively marketing Release 3.1 with a multimillion dollar advertising and promotional campaign aimed at reaching millions of potential upgraders and new users in the coming months.''

Benjamin Goldfarb, manager of personal computing services at StarKist Seafood Company said, ''1-2-3 Release 3.1 is what I've been waiting for -- a spreadsheet that I can use on my PC today -- without purchasing new hardware, re-learning keystrokes, or losing valuable time converting my applications.''

1-2-3 Release 3.1 is compatible with Windows 3.0, and includes a file that automatically configures the product for use with Windows 3.0. Users can launch Release 3.1 by clicking on an icon from the Windows desktop, transfer data between applications through the Windows clipboard, and run their application in a sizable window with a text display. When operating under Windows 3.0 386/Enhanced mode, 1-2-3 Release 3.1 uses

Windows memory management facilities, allowing 1-2-3 users to take advantage of task-switching capabilities.

New In-Store Upgrade Program Makes Upgrading Easier

Several Lotus Authorized Resellers including Egghead Discount Software, Computerland, and Soft Warehouse will be participating in a new Lotus program that makes it easier and more convenient for users to upgrade to 1-2-3 Release 3.1 or Release 2.2.

Through this program, a 1-2-3 user can upgrade by simply turning in the original title page of their 1-2-3 reference manual. Alternatively, 1-2-3 customers may continue to upgrade directly through Lotus by calling 1-800-TRADEUP for upgrade mailing instructions or through the Lotus Selects catalogue at 1-800-635-6887.

A similar program is in place for corporate resellers. According to Richard Sloane, president of Softmart, this program benefits the Lotus customer and reseller. ''Lotus is making it simple for our customers to upgrade to 1-2-3 Release 3.1 by providing us with the capability to deliver upgrades instantly and directly to the user,'' Sloane said.

Superior Combination of Analytic Tools, Publishing and Presentation Features;

New Memory Management System

1-2-3 Release 3.1 offers a superior combination of analytic tools, and the widest range of publishing and presentation features found in any spreadsheet available today.

Only 1-2-3 Release 3.1 enables users looking for sophisticated publishing and presentation capabilities to: automatically compress print to fit on a single page; use more than 96 type styles in a single worksheet; set drop shadows in a single step; use a built-in mini word processor; choose graph colors from a palette of 224 colors and hatching patterns; view pagination directly on the worksheet; format multiple worksheets simultaneously; and automatically wrap text around a graph.

In addition, 1-2-3 Release 3.1 provides a set of tools for enabling users to more easily access and analyze data, using spreadsheet technologies provided only by Lotus. These include: DataLens external data access; advanced relational database capabilities; and powerful application development tools via the Lotus Add-in Toolkit.

The product's new virtual memory management system enables users to allocate an area of their hard disk as workspace, making it possible to create larger spreadsheets in less memory. In addition, the product's

compatibility with a wider range of PC AT compatibles eases software installation and configuration.

Many New Enhancement Products Available

Lotus 1-2-3 Release 2.01 and 2.2 users who upgrade to Release 3.1 will find more than 200 enhancement products available, ranging from tax planning packages to file compression and data recovery utilities. Many of these enhancement products were previously only available to 1-2-3 Release 2.01 and 2.2 users. In addition, Lotus will be providing corporate and independent software developers with an updated Add-in Toolkit for 1-2-3 Release 3.1 in the fourth quarter of this year. The Add-in Toolkit provides users with ability to customize, extend, and automate 1-2-3 by building custom functions, macro keywords, menus and dialog boxes, as well as complete turn-key applications.

System Requirements, Pricing, and Upgrades

1-2-3 Release 3.1 requires an IBM PC AT, PS/2, Compaq or compatible (with an 80286 or higher microprocessor), a hard disk, one megabyte of available system RAM, and DOS 3.0 or higher.

The suggested retail price of the 1-2-3 Release 3.1 Standard Edition is $595. The network Server and Node Editions of the product will be available in the fourth quarter of 1990 at a suggested retail price of $795 and $495, respectively.

All customers who purchased 1-2-3 Release 3.0 before May 7, 1990, may upgrade to Release 3.1 for $35. Users who buy or have bought 1-2-3 Release 3.0 on or after May 7, 1990, are entitled to a free upgrade to Release 3.1 through December 31, 1990. 1-2-3 Release 2.2 users may upgrade for a suggested retail price of $75 through December 31, 1990. Users of 1-2-3 Releases 1, 1A, 2, and 2.01 may upgrade to 1-2-3 Release 3.1 for a suggested retail price of $150.

Registered users of 1-2-3 Release 3.1 automatically receive six months of unlimited, toll-free access to Lotus' 1-2-3 support specialists, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. At the end of six months, users may elect to continue premium support, or use the company's standard support service.

Lotus Development Corporation is the leading provider of applications software for personal computers and information services delivered on CD-ROM, and is a worldwide supplier of applications software for workstations, minicomputers and mainframes.

All prices and terms are for the U.S.A. only.

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Interactive Media Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:IMTH) and Canon Sales Co. Inc. of Japan (OTC:CANNY) jointly announced the signing of a final agreement for Canon Sales' exclusive distribution in Japan of IMT's present and future products, including its multimedia integration system, the IMTX 8000, according to R. Glenn Williamson, chairman/chief executive officer of IMT.

''This agreement with Canon Sales is another major step in our worldwide distribution and development plans,'' Williamson said. ''As our product is just beginning to ship, this agreement is a perfect fit for our mutual marketing strategies.''

Canon Sales is a leading developer and distributor of Apple, NeXT, Hewlett-Packard, Digital Equipment Corp. hardware and related software products in Japan. Canon Sales will position the IMTX 8000 as the core of their multimedia systems.

The IMTX 8000 will be introduced to the Japanese market at the International Multimedia Conference in Makuhari, Oct. 9 to 12 of this year. In addition, Canon Sales has agreed to demonstrate the IMTX 8000 at their private corporate show in November and at MacWorld-Japan in February 1991.

The IMTX 8000 is the industry's first multimedia integration system. It is a combination hardware and software product that will enable desktop users to produce studio-quality videos at a fraction of the time and cost involved using current technology.

Canon Sales Co., a publicly-traded division of Canon Inc., provides sales and distribution for Canon products worldwide as well as for Apple products throughout Japan.

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NEWFIELD, N.Y. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Palisade today announced the upcoming release of a new version of RISK for Lotus 1-2-3 Release 3.1. RISK is a risk analysis and modeling add-in, first introduced in April 1988.

It uses simulation techniques to let users graphically see the implications of thousands of possible scenarios on their worksheet models. RISK currently supports Lotus 1-2-3 Release 2.0, 2.01, 2.2 and Symphony 2.0, 2.2.

The availability of new development tools for Release 3.1 from Lotus Development Corp. has enabled the project to move forward for an anticipated release date of January 1991. Once the Release 3.1 version of RISK is shipping, Palisade will be working to extend its availability to other platforms supported by Lotus, including 1-2-3/M for IBM Mainframe 1-2-3/G for OS/2 Presentation Manager, and the UNIX versions of 1-2-3.

''We are taking advantage of the many new features and graphic capabilities in Release 3.1 to offer RISK users added power, added convenience, and improved graphics,'' said Dr. Doug Stauffer, Vice President, Palisade Corporation. Palisade plans to fully integrate RISK into the Release 3.1 environment, making use of the improved graphics in Release 3.1 to present graphic risk analysis results and statistics.

A key feature for many users is the 3D capability that Release 3.1 and RISK will give users. ''Some enormous benefits will be realized by users when they are able to apply RISK to 3D worksheets. The ability to correctly and easily relate an uncertain variable in one worksheet to another worksheet dramatically increases the analytical capabilities of users,'' said Sam McLafferty, President, Palisade Corporation.

''RISK has gained widespread acceptance in both the academic and corporate markets,'' said Paul McNulty, Lotus' Director of Marketing for 1-2-3 Release 3.1. ''With the availability of RISK for 1-2-3 Release 3.1, Lotus customers can combine a proven risk analysis tool with the power and new features of Lotus' advanced graphical spreadsheet.''

Palisade has been receiving a growing number of requests for an RISK version to support Release 3.X, both domestically and internationally. Company officials indicated that requests have come from a variety of industries, academia, and government, reflecting the horizontal nature of the installed base of RISK users.

RISK currently is in use at many Fortune 1000 companies and by over 200 universities worldwide. For the past 2 years, RISK has been a required purchase for all incoming MBAs at Harvard Business School, along with 1-2-3 and WordPerfect. Palisade has licensed RISK resellers in the UK,

France, Holland, Belgium, Norway, Australia, New Zealand, and Japan.

General Product and Company Information.

RISK uses probability distributions and proven simulation techniques to evaluate even the most uncertain or ''risky'' spreadsheet models. The product can be used for both existing and new spreadsheet models. Risk analysis should be used when there is uncertainty in the values entered in a spreadsheet.

For example, the annual inflation rate for the next 5 years may be a key variable in a spreadsheet analysis, but even the best forecast is subject to a great deal of uncertainty. This type of uncertainty, if ignored, can lead to errors in spreadsheet results. RISK handles uncertainty by letting the user enter ranges of values to any spreadsheet cell. These ranges are entered as probability distributions.

A risk analysis in RISK uses Monte Carlo type simulation, where uncertain cell values are varied across the entered probability distributions. Each simulation reflects hundreds or thousands of possible ''what-if'' scenarios, and the results tell the user the probability or ''chance'' of any outcome occurring.

All output results from RISK simulations are displayed graphically as probability distributions. Output distributions can be displayed in a variety of formats, including histograms, cumulative curves, summaries over ranges of cells and as overlays for comparison.

The interest in risk analysis has expanded in recent years to include applications such as financial decision-making, merger and acquisition evaluation, strategic planning, R&D projections, risk management/actuarial analysis, and political risk analysis. Engineering and scientific applications also are widespread.

Palisade Corporation is a software developer specializing in advanced PC software technologies for industry and science.

Pricing and Availability. RISK for 1-2-3 Release 3.1 will be available in January 1991 at a single copy price of $395. Owners of other versions of RISK will be able to obtain the Release 3.1 version through a low cost swap of their current version or by purchasing the Release 3.1 version at a significant discount. There will be no additional hardware requirements beyond those necessary to run 1-2-3 Release 3.1. Palisade will be offering a free demonstration package for RISK for 1-2-3 Release 3.1.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Enterra Corp. (NYSE:EN) announced Monday that it has signed an agreement to purchase substantially all of the assets of Oilfield Rental Tools (''ORT''), headquartered in Singapore, and Petrodrill Oilfield Services, headquartered in Perth, Australia, for a base purchase price of approximately $13 million in cash and stock.

ORT and Petrodrill are engaged in the oilfield rental tool business throughout the Southeast Asia and Southern Pacific regions, with operating locations in Singapore, Indonesia, Malaysia and Australia.

As part of the transaction, Artoun Ramian, the chief executive officer and president of ORT and Petrodrill, has agreed to serve as the chief operating officer of Enterra's South East Asian operations. The transaction is expected to close in late September.

Stanley P. Gold, chairman of Enterra, said, ''Currently, Enterra conducts its rental tool business in the United States, Canada, Africa and the Middle East.

''The ORT/Petrodrill acquisition marks the expansion of Enterra's oilfield rental tool operations into the oil and gas producing areas of Southeast Asia and the Southern Pacific -- an area that we believe will experience an increasing level of activity. The ORT/Petrodrill team is a fine addition to the Enterra group and highlights the company's commitment to further international expansion.''

Enterra Corp. is comprised of a group of companies which provide products and services to the oil and gas industry worldwide. The company is engaged in the rental of specialized equipment for drilling and servicing onshore and offshore oil and gas wells and the design, manufacture, sale and rental of specialized equipment for pipeline construction.

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WILMINGTON, MA (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Dynamics Research Corp. (NASDAQ:DRCO) announced Monday that it has been awarded a $3.7 million contract by the Strategic Defense Initiative Organization (SDIO) to operate and maintain the SDIO Technical Information Center (TIC).

Albert Rand, president said: ''This is a new program for us, in which we

will collect and analyze scientific, engineering and policy information and provide information products and services to the SDIO community. The work will be performed in our Washington facility.''

Dynamics Research Corp. provides a wide range of specialized technical services to the Department of Defense and also manufactures components for industrial measurement and control.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Symantec Corp. (NASDAQ:SYMC), a leading developer of Lotus add-in software products, Monday announced that it will support Lotus 1-2-3 release 3.1 in a future version of SQZ! PLus, Symantec's spreadsheet file compression utility.

''Despite hard disks getting larger and less expensive, spreadsheet users still run out of disk space,'' said Gordon E. Eubanks, Jr., president and CEO. ''SQZ! Plus will continue to offer Lotus spreadsheet users a solution to this problem.''

''SQZ! Plus has been one of the leading 1-2-3 add-ins for the past four years,'' said Paul McNulty, Lotus' director of marketing for 1-2-3 release 3.1. ''We're excited at the prosect of its availability for 1-2-3 release 3.1 and look forward to continuing our successful relationship with Symantec.''

SQZ! Plus automatically and transparently compresses Lotus 1-2-3 and Symphony spreadsheet files by up to 95 percent. This provides increased storage capacity on both hard and floppy disks, and faster file transmissions and backups. SQZ! Plus includes a file recovery utility, which recovers lost or damaged files. The keystroke recorder in SQZ! Plus helps create macros quickly and easily, and the autosave function automatically saves spreadsheets to disk at user-defined intervals.

SQZ! Plus also includes file history tracking and file backup from within 1-2-3. It is the only compression tool that can be loaded or unloaded from memory without exiting 1-2-3.

Symantec Corp. is a leading international software company which provides award-winning application and syustem software products for IBM PC and Apple Macintosh computer users. Founded in 1982, Symantec is a public company traded on the NASDAQ NAtional Market System (SYMC). The company is based in Cupertino, Calif.

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ROCKVILLE, MD (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - GE Information Services (GEIS), a leading provider of international network-based systems for banks and financial institutions, has announced that Chemical Bank, New York, has purchased its BPS-CENTRAL System.

The BPS-CENTRAL System, first announced in December 1989, is a mainframe software system which offers Chemical the flexibility to process electronic payments for its corporate clients implementing financial EDI (Electronic Data Interchange) programs with their trading partners.

With the BPS-CENTRAL System, Chemical can accept ANSI (American National Standards Institute) formatted payment instructions from its clients, and reformat them into any one of the ACH (Automated Clearing House) payment formats as designated by their client.

The system also enables Chemical to provide its clients the option of delivering the remittance information to the receiving party separately from the payment, in either hard copy or electronic format.

In addition, remittance information related to incoming ACH payments may be reformatted to ANSI 820, 823 or BAI lock box formats and merged with other payment information received by Chemical's lockbox or wire transfer services, facilitating the update of an accounts receivables system.

Chemical Bank is also planning to use the BPS-CENTRAL System with its own Accounts Payable and Purchasing Departments for EDI processing with its customers and suppliers.

Chemical Banking Corporation, holding company of Chemical Bank, is one of the largest bank holding companies in the U.S. Chemical is a super-regional bank with global market resources, operating one of the largest bank franchises in New York, New Jersey and Texas.

GE Information Services provides network-based applications, services and support in the areas of Corporate Services, notably cash management services; Exposure and Risk Management Services; and Trading Services.

GEIS, the recognized leader in third party EDI network services, also offers two electronic payments capabilities for corporations. A division of General Electric Company, U.S.A., GE Information Services has its headquarters in Rockville, Md.

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CANTON, Mass. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Bay State Gas Company's subsidiary, Granite State Gas Transmission, Inc. (Granite State), has reached an agreement with Portland Pipe Line Corporation and Montreal Pipe Line Limited (P-M) to play a lead role in developing a consortium to facilitate the construction of a new natural gas pipeline that will play a major role in helping to satisfy the continuing rapid growth in natural gas demand in New England and make the region's natural gas supply more secure.

The agreement defines the central role of Granite State in organizing and implementing a project to build a permanent, dedicated natural gas pipeline in P-M's right-of-way paralleling P-M's existing oil pipelines between Montreal and Portland, Maine.

In addition, to facilitate delivery of some of the gas that will come through the new pipeline to Bay State's Massachusetts service areas and other parts of New England, Granite State will rebuild its existing gas transmission line from Portland to Haverhill, Mass.

Due to P-M's anticipated need for additional crude oil transportation capacity, Granite State's current lease of one of the existing P-M pipelines could expire as early as 1996. Granite State has leased the 160-mile, 18-inch diameter oil line since 1986 to transport Canadian natural gas to Bay State's retail gas customers in Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

Natural gas usage for home heating and commercial and industrial applications has been growing rapidly in New England, and this growth rate is expected to accelerate as government and business strive to meet stricter environmental standards and reduce the region's dependence on oil according to Roger A. Young, Bay State Gas president.

''Demand for natural gas in New England should continue to grow at about twice the national rate through the 1990s, but this growth can't be

sustained without permanent expansion of gas pipeline delivery capability within the region,'' Young said.

Under the agreement with P-M, Granite State will act as coordinator to develop a project consortium, according to Young. The consortium will lease the pipeline right-of-way from P-M for the construction and operation of the new gas transmission pipeline, he said.

''We are extremely pleased to be coordinating the organization and implementation of this important project, and we expect to continue the successful working relationship that Granite State and P-M have enjoyed since 1986,'' said Charles T. Ellis, Granite State president.

Bay State Gas Company (NYSE:BGC) provides natural gas service to more than 230,000 customers in Massachusetts and, through its Northern Utilities, Inc. subsidiary, to approximately 32,000 customers in New Hampshire and Maine.

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LONDON (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - British Gas is pleased to announce the signing of an agreement with AGAS Limited to transport gas from the Bacton gas terminal in Norfolk to industrial and commercial sites in Great Britain.

The contract will start on Oct. 1 when AGAS has gas available from the Welland field. Welland is the first gas field to come on stream of which British Gas has purchased only 90 percent, in line with its undertaking to the Office of Fair Trading. This is the first of a number of transportation contracts which British Gas expects to sign shortly in connection with gas from this field.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers.

British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore. Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to ten

ordinary shares.

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ZURICH, Switzerland (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Philip Morris Companies Inc. announced Monday that it now controls 97.4% of voting rights and 94.9% of equity in Jacobs Suchard AG.

The mandatory extension period for late acceptances required by the Swiss Takeover Code will definitively expire on September 18, 1990. Until that time, the tender offer made through Colima Holding AG remains open for acceptances.

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EL SEGUNDO, Calif. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - International Rectifier Corp. (NYSE/PSE:IRF) Monday announced that it filed two lawsuits in Federal District Court in Los Angeles separately charging Harris Corp. and SGS Thomson Microelectronics, SPA and its U.S. subsidiary with infringement of IR's power MOSFET patents.

International Rectifier also reported that it has been served in connection with Harris' previous filing of a declaratory judgment action in Federal District Court in Newark, N.J. The action seeks to declare IR's five key power MOSFET patents invalid and not infringed by Harris.

Those same five key patents were recently held valid and infringed by Siliconix incorporated following a trial on the merits in the Federal District Court in Los Angeles.

IR and Siliconix subsequently reached an agreement consisting of a royalty-bearing license under IR's patents and a $12 million settlement, each requiring separate approval by the Bankruptcy Court overseeing Siliconix's reorganization efforts. The license portion of the agreement was recently approved by the court.

To date, Hitachi, Toshiba, Siliconix, Matsushita and Unitrode have entered

into royalty-bearing license agreements under IR's U.S. power MOSFET patents.

The company intends to continue to enforce and defend its patent rights.

Power MOSFETs are power transistors that are rapidly displacing earlier-technology components in the $2 billion power transistor market. They provide motor control and power switching functions in automotive, consumer electronics, telecommunications, industrial controls and aerospace/defense applications.

International Rectifier is a major worldwide supplier of power semiconductors and the international leader in power MOSFETs with its HEXFET line.

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BEDFORD, ENGLAND (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - NFC plc (AMEX: NFC), the international transport, logistics, property and services group, announced Monday that its subsidiary, NFC Share Trust Limited purchased a total of 129,299 NFC American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) through brokers at the then current market price on the American Stock Exchange (AMEX) on behalf of NFC employees participating in NFC's US Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

The ADRs so acquired will be transferred to participating employees in accordance with the terms of the Plan, as previously announced.

In addition to the American Stock Exchange, NFC shares trade on London's International Stock Exchange and are quoted on the SEAQ International System. Prices may be accessed on the Reuters Equities 2000 service under the symbol NFCL.L and on Quotron under the symbol NFCU.EU.

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TINTON FALLS, NJ (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation today announced that Denis R. Brown has been named the company's president, chief executive officer and vice chairman of the board. Dean W. Freed, a director of the company, will assume the role of chairman of the board.

Mr. Brown joins Concurrent from Penn Central Corporation where, since 1985 he served as president and chief executive officer of Penn Central Industries Group Inc., a $1 billion subsidiary of Penn Central Corporation. Brown came to Penn Central, following a 15 year career with ITT Corporation where he was a corporate vice pressident and group executive for the Defense Space Group.

Brown brings to Concurrent global operating experience and a proven record of leadership. His results at Penn Central demonstrate considerable success in managing turnaround companies and implementing strategies for long term growth and profitability. A former naval officer and New Jersey resident, Brown, age 51, is a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, and earned his degree in Electrical Engineering from the Naval Post Gradute School, Monterey, California.

Brown said, ''I look forward to the challenges which Concurrent faces in the computer industry. I am very impressed with Concurrent's people, products and services. With the company's large installed base and strong product development programs, we will continue to be a leading supplier of real-time solutions to the commercial, technical and government markets both here and abroad. We intend to make whatever changes are necessary to better serve our customers and to return the company to profitability and growth.''

Mr. Freed, in becoming the new chairman of the board, brings to Concurrent his experience as former chairman of the board and chief executive officer of EG&G, Inc., a diversified provider of scientific products and services.

This announcement follows the resignation of James K. Sims as Concurrent's chairman, president, chief executive officer and a director of the board to pursue other business opportunities.

Concurrent Computer Corporation is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through the Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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COLUMBUS, GA (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Carmike Cinemas, Inc. (CMIKA/NASDAQ) today announced that its Board of Directors has authorized

management to implement a stock repurchase program to provide for the purchase of up to 350,000 shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock.

Such repurchases may be made on the open market or through negotiated transactions from time to time based upon prevailing market conditions and other appropriate factors.

President and Chief Executive Officer Michael W. Patrick stated, ''In light of current market conditions, the Board of Directors has determined that the repurchase of shares provides an excellent investment opportunity for the Company.''

The Company previously repurchased 500,000 shares of its common stock in October 1987.

Carmike Cinemas is the fifth largest motion picture exhibitor in the United States, and is the leading exhibitor in the southern United States in terms of number of screens and theatres operated. The Company currently operates 968 screens.

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VALENCIA, CA (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - 3-D Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:TDSSF and Vancouver:TDS.V) announced Monday that it has concluded a private placement of 700,000 common shares without par value at a price of $7.875 (U.S.) per share, resulting in gross proceeds to the company of $5,512,500 (U.S.).

This increses the total outstanding shares to 13,858,744.

3-D Systems Inc. is the Canadian parent company of 3D Systems Inc., a California company formed in March 1986 to develop, manufacture and market equipment which produces plastic models from solid modeling CAD data.

The company's StereoLithography process currently utilizes an ultra-violet laser beam which passes over a vat of liquid polymer, hardening the liquid wherever the beam impinges on the liquid, so that it creates a solid, three-dimensional object which conforms exactly to the stored computer design.

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WALTHAM, MA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - IPL Systems Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol: IPLSA) Monday introduced the 7636 Disk Array, a 1.8 GB disk array for IBM AS/400 models B30 to B70.

The new disk drive, which features IBM-manufactured disks, has been designed to offer greater access speed and a lower cost per megabyte than IBM's new 9336 products.

According to Robert W. Norton, president and chief executive officer of IPL Systems, the 7636 is an important extension of the company's product line, which now includes tape drive subsystems and memory upgrades for the IBM midrange market.

''This product enhances our total storage offering for the AS/400,'' he said. ''We now offer a broad line of storage solutions, including memory, tape drive and disk array products.''

The 7636 Disk Array is available in rack mount or table top configurations to offer the greatest flexibility for the office environment.

By comparison to IBM's 9336, IPL Systems' 7636 offers greater I/O commands per second by virtue of six actuators, each with a 64K buffer and intelligence in the maximum 1.8 GB configuration. The 7636 also features low power usage and heat output.

''Several significant benefits will place the 7636 Disk Array in a leadership position within the AS/400 DASD market,'' said Jim Geronaitis, a product manager at IPL Systems.

The 7636 Disk Array is available immediately and carries a one year warranty. IPL's 1.8 GB disk array's list price is 25 percent less than IBM's announced list price for its equivalent array.

IPL Systems will support the field-upgradeable 7636 Disk Array with its international network of distributors and service engineers, plus its own 24 hours-a-day, 7 days-a-week technical support service. Service and spare parts will be available through over 100 U.S. locations and in all European markets.

IPL Systems Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol: IPLSA) designs, manufactures, markets and services a broad range of DASD and tape subsystems, plus memory upgrades for IBM midrange computers. The company was founded in 1973.

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BELTSVILLE, MD (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - John Hanson Savings Bank, F.S.B.., Monday reported a net loss for the twelve month period ended June 30, of $7,923,000, or $1.37 per share, based on 5,775,231 weighted average number of shares outstanding.

These figures compare with a net loss of $8,347,000, or $1.45 per share, based on 5,772,453 weighted average number of shares outstanding for the corresponding period ending June 30, 1989.

The three month period ending June 30, reflects a net loss of $8,196,000, or $1.42 per share. This compares to a reported loss of $9,005,000, or $1.56 per share, for the three month period ended June 30, 1989.

Foreclosed real estate owned by the Savings Bank was written down in value $2,636,000 and those properties suffered $1,140,000 in operating losses and management expenses during the twelve month period, accounting for $3,776,000 of this loss.

After completing a thorough analysis of its loan portfolio, the Savings Bank charged earnings with a $5,429,000 provision for loan loss, reflecting the weakness in the commercial real estate market.

In addition, net interest income was reduced for the year by approximately $3,400,000 due to lost interest on non-earning assets. The balance in the Savings Bank's reserve for loan losses, that amount set aside to protect against future loan losses, is now $7,281,000.

At year end the Savings Bank's non-performing loans totalled $23,646,000 and real estate owned through foreclosure totalled $20,486,000. The increasing weakness in the real estate markets and in the economy as a whole have contributed significantly to John Hanson's results.

At June 30, total deposits were $685 million, compared to $704 million at June 30, 1989. Total assets were $888 million at June 30, compared to $969 million as of June 30, 1989. Stockholders' equity totalled $20,951,000.

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established required capital levels to be: tangible capital of 1.5 percent of adjusted total assets, core capital of 3 percent of of adjusted total assets, and risk based capital of 6.4 percent of risk weighted assets. At June 30, John Hanson Savings Bank's ratios were respectively 1.53 percent, 2.34 percent, and approximately 4.06 percent.

John Hanson Savings Bank, F.S.B., has 15 branch offices and is headquartered in Beltsville. The bank's stock is traded on the National Association of Securities Dealers' Automated Quotation (NASDAQ) National Market System under the symbol ''JHSL''.

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BALTIMORE (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Worldwide Value Fund, Inc. (NYSE: VLU) Monday declared a quarterly dividend of $0.33 per share, payable on October 10, 1990 to shareholders of record on September 26, 1990.

This is the eighth dividend paid since the Fund's Board of Directors agreed to pay quarterly dividends equal to 10 percent of the Fund's average annual net assets.

Formed in 1986 and managed by Lombard Odier International Portfolio Management, Ltd. of London and Legg Mason Fund Adviser, Inc. of Baltimore, Worldwide is a closed-end fund that invests in equity securities of foreign and domestic issuers.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Jon C. Madonna and James G. Brocksmith, Jr. have been nominated to serve as chairman and deputy chairman, respectively, of KPMG Peat Marwick, a leading international accounting and consulting firm, Chairman Larry D. Horner announced following action here by the firm's board of directors.

If elected by the firm's 1,850 partners at their annual meeting in Orlando October 4, their terms would begin immediately. Earlier Horner had announced he would not seek reelection. He could have served an additional three years before retirement but said the firm should have six years of uninterrupted leadership.

Madonna, 47, is managing partner of Peat Marwick's San Francisco business unit. He joined the firm in 1968 after serving in the Army and was elected a partner in 1976. He is a member of the firm's board.

Brocksmith, 49, is managing partner of the firm's Chicago business unit. He joined Peat Marwick in 1965 and became a partner in 1971. He had served as managing partner in Columbus, OH, Miami, and Minneapolis before moving to Chicago late in 1986.

KPMG Peat Marwick provides accounting and auditing, tax, and management consulting services to leading business organizations, governmental and private institutions, and individuals through 135 offices in the United States. It is the U.S. national practice of KPMG, which has operations in 117 countries and posted 1989 revenues of $4.75 billion.

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FALLSINGTON, Pa.(SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Drawing upon years of experience in dealing with foreign governments and leaders, worldlink North America Monday announced that it has established a special program for families and loved ones of hostages currently held in Iraq and Kuwait.

Worldlink officials announced that they have been successful in delivering messages to the president of Iraq as well as to the U.S. ambassador in Baghdad.

''We are extremely concerned about the well-being of Americans held against their will in Iraq and Kuwait. The climate in the Middle East is extremely tense, particularly for those who have family in that area of the world,'' said Ken Ryan, a worldlink spokesperson.

''Our primary focus is to enable families and individuals directly

effected by the developments in the Middle East to gain information. Worldlink has had success in sending messages of concern and protest to officials in the Iraqi government and the U.S. embassy in Baghdad.

''In addition we have also established a special telex number in Europe so that persons detained or effected by the Iraqi invasion may send messages to their families here in the United States,'' Ryan continued.

Worldlink North America, a non-profit corporation with offices in Fallsington, Pa., a suburb of Philadelphia, provides communications services for human rights, environmental and other non-profit organizations such as the Amnesty International Urgent Action Network.

Individuals interested in sending messages to Iraq may dial 800/827-2831 to dictate their message. Messages destined for families in the United States will be relayed to them via UK telex number 94019781 FOXT G.

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FAIRMONT, WV (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - CB&T Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:CBTF) announced Monday that its directors have approved the repurchase of up to 200,000 shares of the company's outstanding common stock from time to time.

The specific prices, number of shares and timing of such repurchases will be determined by the chairman of the board.

William T. McLaughlin II, chairman and president, noted that, ''The board of directors' determination is based upon the belief that the repurchase of such CB&T stock is a sound investment, since such securities are presently at market prices which do not adequately reflect the value of CB&T's business or underlying value of its assets.

''As of June 30, 1990, CB&T's book value is $12.07 per share. The proposed repurchase will have a positive impact on both earnings and CB&T's book value per share. Shares acquired under the repurchase program may be used for general corporate purposes, including future acquisitions.''

CB&T Financial Corp. is a regional multibank holding company providing a comprehensive menu of trust, banking, and investment services in north-central West Virginia.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - If you think taxes on unearned income are high now, be glad you're not subject to the 1945 Federal tax rate -- a whopping 91 percent.

Since 1954, taxes on unearned income have been steadily dropping. It appears that investors do not anticipate this trend will continue. Mutual fund tax-exempt assets continue to grow despite a 53-year low in tax rates.

According to the Investment Company Institute, the national association of the mutual fund industry, net sales of long-term municipal bond funds (including national and single state) for the first half of the year were $8.1 billion compared to $7.3 billion for the same period in 1989, an 11.23 percent increase.

At Colonial Mutual Funds, sales of Colonial's municipal bond funds are up 135 percent for the first six months of 1990 vs. last year. Colonial expects continued robust sales.

''Typically, January through April is the time when investors think about taxes. This year it's September and they are still thinking about them.'' said Michael C. Hardie, portfolio manager of the Colonial Tax-Exempt Fund and head of the Tax-Exempt department at Colonial; ''Tax-free investors have four characteristics: they are tax-sensitive, income-oriented, risk-averse, and have a long-term investment outlook. Many people think only the very rich can benefit from muni bonds, but now more and more small investors are entering the market through mutual funds.''

''The municipal bond market is much less volatile than other U.S. bond markets,'' Hardie continued, ''largely because foreign investors are not major players in the market. Muni's are the last domestically controlled security market in the country which is particularly important at this time.''

Income generated from municipal bond mutual funds can provide investors with current income free of Federal, and sometimes state, income taxes. Municipal bonds are issued by state governments and local municipalities to fund projects such as roads, hospitals, and nursing homes, or to stimulate industrial growth.

Founded in 1931, The Colonial Group is one of the nation's oldest and most experienced investment advisers. In 1989, Forbes magazine named Colonial the 7th best small company in America. Colonial manages approximately $3

billion for more than 400,000 investors, including approximatley $3 billion in nine open-ended and three close-ended tax-exempt funds.

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CHATTANOOGA, TN (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - TVA has named Jerry Golden, an engineer with 21 years of experience, to manage TVA's Clean Air Program.

Golden will be responsible for all program activities associated with TVA's clean air initiatives, including those resulting from proposed amendments to the Clean Air Act.

TVA operates 11 coal-fired plants, all of which are in compliance with existing clean air laws. However, changes to the Clean Air Act pending in Congress could require TVA and other coal-burning utilities to make extensive changes to their plants over the next few years.

Golden, who has been with TVA for 17 years, is a graduate of the University of Tennessee, with bachelor's and master's degrees in mechanical engineering. For the past two years, he has served as manager of fossil and hydro engineering.

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LEXINGTON, KY (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Following a special meeting called by the board of directors of City Gas and Transmission Corp., it was voted to place CG&T Corp. in Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Court in Lexington.

The board expects the filing and the courts ruling to have a long term positive effect on CG&T's creditors and shareholders. The most critical reason is to seek Bankruptcy Court permission to immediately open and operate its Willimgton, N.C., oil refinery to its full potential. It is felt that the operation of this refinery is vital and necessary to the best interests of the United States, its armed services and citizens.

City Gas and Transmission's Oil Refinery in Wilmington was operated at full capacity with no problems between 1972 and 1985. In fact, during the Arab Oil Embargo in 1973, the Wilmington Refinery flawlessly produced 15

percent of North Carolina's refined oil products. Being the only refinery within a 500 mile radius, it is a strategic asset to the City of Wilmington and the whole of the Carolinas. The refinery should again operate at its full potential if the Bankruptcy Court grants CG&T permission to operate.

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BURBANK, CA (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - MATTHEWS STUDIO EQUIPMENT GROUP (NASDAQ:MATT) Monday announced that it expects to post over a 50 percent revenue gain and more than triple net earnings for the current fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1990, compared with its previous year ended Sept. 30, 1989. Fiscal 1989 revenues were $14,711,000, and net income was $138,000 or 2 cents per share.

It was further announced that the Company expects to continue its revenue growth of no less that 30 percent, which combined with the positive synergistic effect of recent acquisitions, will have a significant positive influence on its earnings per share for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1991.

The substantial improvements, the Company noted, are predicated on there being no significant adverse conditions affecting the entertainment industry. Further, there are a number of business opportunities that MATTHEWS is considering, which, if completed during fiscal 1991, could have a significant positive impact.

MATTHEWS STUDIO EQUIPMENT GROUP is one of the fastest growing companies in its industry. The Company designs, manufactures, rents, leases and sells a broad range of equipment used in the production of films, television shows and commercials, professional photography and theatrical productions. One of the Company's major and most innovative products is its electronic Cam-Remote System -- winner of an Oscar for technical achievement from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences and an Emmy for technical achievement from the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences - which is revolutionizing the entertainment industry.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Airlines Holdings Inc. and EDS have signed agreements on a multi-level partnership announced in February.

As previously announced, the transaction involves the formation of a new computer reservations system (CRS) partnership, and the sale of System One's Telecommunications, Technology and Airline Services units to EDS for a purchase price of $250 million.

In addition, EDS will provide to Continental Airlines and Eastern Airlines all of their data processing and telecommunications requirements.

The agreements that involve Eastern have been forwarded to the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, which has jurisdiction over the bankruptcy proceedings of Eastern Airlines, for approval.

EDS, based in Dallas, has operations in 27 countries and is the leader in providing information technology services to customers around the world. Stock reflecting EDS' performance is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

System One is a computer automation company, providing worldwide information management, data processing and telecommunications services to the airline and travel-related industries. A subsidiary of Continental Airlines Holdings Inc. of Houston, System One is the third largest CRS system in the United States, serving nearly 8,000 travel agencies and other customers.

Continental Airlines Holdings is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol CTA. The company reported 1989 revenues of $6.7 billion.

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CASSELBERRY, FL (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Maynard, an Archive company, has signed Sears Business Centers as a national reseller of Maynard's award-winning line of tape backup solutions.

Sears Business Centers' commitment to the market is focused on building networks that become strategic resources which increase the customer's competitive advantage. Part of this strategy is to provide a network structure that plans for future system growth.

With capacities ranging from 20MB to 2.2GB, including a 1.3GB DAT drive, the Maynard product line offers a solution for every customer. Becauase MaynStream drives can be daisy chained, the system can easily grow to meet the changing needs of the network.

Independent surveys show that Maynard products enjoy the industry's highest customer satisfaction ratings, making the Maynard line a clearly appropriate addition to the Sears Business Centers' network offerings.

Maynard sells tape backup systems through a worldwide network of dealers, distributors and value-added resellers.

Based in Casselberry, Fla., Maynard is the industry's leading supplier of tape backup systems and offers the most complete selection of 5 1/4-inch and 3 1/2-inch cartridge, cassette, and 4mm and 8mm tape drives available for the IBM-compatible PC and PS/2 computers, DEC VAX computers, and Apple Macintosh family of computers. For additional information, call 800/821-8782 or 407/263-3500.

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TORONTO (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Stephen J. Sadler, president & chief executive officer of Geac Computer Corp. Ltd., (TSE: GAC) announced Monday that Geac had agreed in principle to acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of Fact International Ltd. Fact International Ltd. is a New Zealand-based software company which develops and markets a manufacturing/business software application.

The application is sold to manufacturing, distribution and other multi-functional businesses providing them with integrated software including MRP/JIT functionality, order entry, purchasing, inventory control and complete financial software to operate a business. Fact International Ltd. has over 300 accounts in Austalasia with annual revenue of approximately C$9 million.

The aggregate consideration payable by Geac for the shares of Fact

International Ltd. is approximately $1 million (U.S.), payable partly in cash and partly by the issue of Geac shares. Completion of the transaction is subject, among other things, to the execution of formal purchase agreements.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Bowne & Co. Inc. (ASE:BNE) Monday announced results for the third quarter ended July 31.

Net sales for the quarter totaled $51,034,000, an increase of 5 percent from $48,705,000 recorded last year. Net income for the quarter was $1,746,000 compared with $1,960,000 a year earlier. On a per share basis, net earnings were 10 cents in the third quarter 1990 vs. 11 cents a year ago.

For the first nine months, net sales were $151,170,000, an increase of 8 percent from $139,457,000 a year ago. Net income was $7,113,000, or 41 cents per share, compared with $4,630,000, or 26 cents per share, last year.

Commenting on the results, Richard H. Koontz, president and CEO, stated, ''We are pleased to be able to report an increase in sales for the third quarter despite the reduced levels of activity that the financial community experienced during this period. Our sales growth is attributable to the aggressive efforts of our people and to our acquisition of Sorg in May.

''The reduced demand for financial printing services made price competition even more intense, resulting in slightly lower earnings compared to last year.''

Bowne & Co. Inc.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Third Quarter Ended July 31,		Nine Months Ended July 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$51,034,000	$48,705,000	$151,170,000	$139,457,000
Income before income taxes	3,505,000	3,878,000	12,632,000	9,098,000
Income taxes	1,759,000	1,918,000	5,519,000	4,468,000
Net income	1,746,000	1,960,000	7,113,000	4,630,000
Per share	$ .10	$ .11	$ .41	$ .26

Average shares outstanding	17,230,574	17,251,510	17,255,890	17,819,191

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ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - As they finalized new proposals to take to contract negotiations with Brown Shoe Co. (NYSE:BG) Tuesday, representatives of 7,000 manufacturing workers at the company said they would focus on three concerns that would cost the company nothing:

-- Adequate pension benefits
-- Health care cost savings
-- Job safety precautions

''These three issues -- pensions, health care and job safety -- are of utmost importance to Brown employees, to retirees and to the futures of the communities where they live, yet they would cost Brown Shoe Co. nothing,'' said William Treece, assistant director for Footwear of the United Food and Commercial Workers Union (UFCW).

UFCW and the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union (ACTWU) respresent the Brown Shoe workers.

''Because the workers' pension fund is overfunded by $28 million, Brown could increase employee pension benefits to an adequate level at no cost to the company -- in fact, the pension fund would still be overfunded by millions of dollars,'' explained Joan Suarez, southwest regional director for ACTWU. As of Jan. 1 the average annual pension paid to Brown retirees was $1,488 per year.

Suarez and Treece said they would press for the right to negotiate cost discounts for medical care from local providers and for additional worker input on job safety. Brown refused to agree to either demand, both of which the union officials said are no-cost items for the company, in previous contract negotiations.

Following a vote by Brown production employees to reject the company's final contract offer on Aug. 30 -- the first contract rejection in more than 30 years -- Brown Shoe agreed to renew negotiating efforts at a session in St. Louis Tuesday.

Brown Shoe Co., a division of Brown Group Inc., is the largest manufacturer of women's shoes in the United States, selling under brand names that include Naturalizer, Connie, DeLiso and Natural Sport.

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TOLEDO, OHIO (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Joseph H. Lemieux, president and chief operating officer of Owens-Illinois Inc., has been elected by the company's board of directors to the additional position of chief executive officer.

Lemiuex succeeds Robert J. Lanigan, who remains a member of the Owens-Illinois board of directors and will continue to serve as chairman of the board. ''This change recognizes the many valuable contributions Joe Lemieux has made to our company and will facilitate further management succession,'' Lanigan said.

''Joe Lemieux is uniquely qualified to assume the additional responsibilities of chief executive officer at this time,'' Lanigan said. He and Lemieux have worked closely together in the development and implementation of strategies that have significantly improved the company's operating performance over the past several years. Both have spent their entire careers with Owens-Illinois.

Lemieux has served as a member of the board of directors since 1984 and as president and chief operating officer since 1986. He joined the company in 1957.

Lanigan was named president and chief operating officer in 1982. He assumed the additional responsibility of chief executive officer in 1984 and was elected chairman of the board later that year. He has served as a member of the board of directors since 1974. He joined Owens-Illinois in 1950.

Owens-Illinois, headquartered in Toledo, is one of the world's leading manufacturers of packaging products, with 1989 sales of $3.6 billion. The company recently reported results for the six-month period ending June 30, showing a 34 percent increase in operating profit over the comparable prior-year period.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - J. Larry Rutherford Monday was named executive vice president of operations of General Development Corp. (NYSE:GDV).

Rutherford, 44, comes to GDC from Gulfstream Land & Development Corp. where he was president and chief executive.

A native of Virginia, Rutherford held various executive positions at Gulfstream since 1982 and from 1986 until May of 1989 was president and chief operating officer.

Rutherford holds a bachelors degree from Virginia Military Institute and received his MBA degree from the University of Virginia.

From 1977 to 1982 Rutherford managed Wintergreen Development Inc., a company affiliated with Bankers Trust Co. of New York. The company was involved in managing real estate assets controlled by Bankers Trust.

Thomas J. Hutchison, president and chief executive officer of General Development, said Rutherford will play a key role in the effort to reorganize GDC.

''We are delighted to have a person with his broad experience in Florida real estate development join our management team. His leadership and expertise will play an invaluable role in my effort to revitalize General Development and create a successful company in the future,'' Hutchison said.

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FITCHBURG, MASS. (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Co. (FG&E) continues to advise it shareholders not to tender their common shares to Eastern Utilities Associates' (EUA) 16-month old hostile, unsolicited tender offer.

On Sept. 6, 1990, FG&E filed an amendment to a previous Securities and Exchange Commission filing related to EUA's indadequate tender offer. The amendment, approved by FG&E's board of directors at a meeting on Sept. 5, 1990, allows FG&E to explore other alternatives to EUA's offer if it

wishes to do so.

FG&E's board of directors and management remains committed to taking actions which serve the best interests of its shareholders, customers, employees and the communities served. FG&E continues to believe that the EUA offer does not serve those interests.

On Sept 7, 1990, FG&E received a letter from EUA which was prompted by FG&E' filing of its amendment. In such letter, EUA reiterated its previous statements regarding its postion.

On Sept. 10, 1990, EUA announced the tenth extension of its inadequate tender offer to Sept. 14, 1990, as well as an increase in the amount of FG&E's shares tendered into their offer.

The increase in the shares tendered to the offer appears to be a step that some shareholders' felt was necessary due to the existing spread between the present market price of FG&E's common stock and such offer price. The nominal difference that existed in early July between market and offer price widened apparently as a result of, among other reasons, the chaotic stock market and the uncertainty arising from events in the Middle East.

FG&E continues to believe that the possibility for EUA to receive regulatory approvals necessary to accept any shares tendered to it is at least a year away. Furthermore, shareholders will have ample time to submit their shares into the tender offer if EUA is ultimately able to secure required regulatory approvals. FG&E continues to advise shareholders to retain custody of their shares and not tender them to EUA.

FG&E serves approximately 39,500 gas and electric customers in Fitchburg, Lunenburg, Townsend and Ashby and approximately 1,600 gas customers in the communities of Gardner and Westminster. Its common stock is listed on both the American and Boston Stock exchanges.

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DFW AIRPORT, TEXAS (SEPT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - American Airlines registered the largest traffic volume month in its history in August, flying 7.57 billion revenue passenger miles, 2.6 percent higher than the 7.38 billion RPMs it flew in August 1989.

American's capacity increased 7.6 percent in August to 10.99 billion available seat miles from 10.21 billion in August 1989.

Michael W. Gunn, the airline's senior vice president-marketing, said international traffic increased 39.6 percent in August 1990 compared to a year ago.

''Our European load factors have been strong all summer and load factors on our new service to South and Central America were outstanding,'' Gunn said. ''American's early showing in Latin America is a reaffirmation of the wisdom of our international growth strategy.''

The international load factor increased 2.8 points from the same time a year ago to 75.2 percent.

While international traffic was strong, overall passenger boardings declined 3.1 percent to 6,872,981 from 7,090,853. The system load factor fell to 68.9 percent from 72.3 percent.

During the first eight months of 1990, American's revenue passenger miles grew 4.1 percent to 51.73 billion from 49.71 billion; available seat miles increased 6.9 percent to 81.49 billion from 76.24 billion; passenger boardings rose 1.1 percent to 49,324,749 from 48,773,009; and the load factor declined to 63.5 percent from 65.2 percent.

Freight ton miles jumped 21.5 percent in August to 68 million from 56.9 million, while mail ton miles rose 12.3 percent to 22.5 million from 20 million.

For the January-August period of 1990, freight ton miles rose 19.8 percent to 497.4 million from 415 million. Mail ton miles grew 17.4 percent to 176.9 million from 150.7 million.

''American's aggressive commitment to quality cargo service enables us to grow while the overall cargo market is essentially flat,'' said William R. Boesch, American's vice president-cargo.

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TORONTO (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T announced Monday the availability of its Global Messaging portfolio of services in Canada.

The services are based on store and forward technology which is new to the Canadian market. The Global Messaging offering consists of a range of products and services from a single source supplier for businesses with communications and information processing needs.

Initially, the company has two main messaging services: AT&T Mail, a sophisticated but easy to use electronic mail service; and AT&T Enhanced FAX, a package of completely automated global store and forward fascimile capabilities.

Specifically, AT&T Mail is an electronic messaging service that supports a wide range of data communications equipment and computers. It connects to all major electronic communications media, including facsimile and telex services, and it connects through interconnections to many other public messaging services such as Telecom Canada's Envoy 100 and France Telecom's Transpac.

AT&T Enhanced FAX is a network-based service compatible to most Group III fax machines. It provides: automatic retry, which makes repeated transmission attempts for up to six hours; a feature that allows a fax message to be broadcast from Canada to multiple recipients at virtually any domestic or international destination; and a private 24-hour electronic mailbox for secure message delivery.

Canada is the fourth country where AT&T has introduced its Global Messaging Services. The service was initially launched in the United States and has subsequently been made available in Japan from AT&T Jens and in the United Kingdom from AT&T ISTEL.

AT&T is one of the world's leading information movement and management companies, providing quality products, systems and services to diverse markets in the United States and around the globe. That includes providing long distance telecommunications services through the company's worldwide intelligent network, as well as systems, products and services that combine communications and computers. The voice, data and image technologies for AT&T's products and services are provided by the company's research and development arm, AT&T Bell Laboratories. AT&T has assets of US$37 billion and annual turnover of more than US$36 billion.

AT&T technology is available to customers in Canada through AT&T Canada, Inc. headquartered in Toronto, providing a full range of computer and networking products, switching and transmission equipment, PBX's and key systems; AT&T Paradyne, headquartered in Toronto, providing a full range of data communications equipment; and AT&T Communications Americas Inc., headquartered in Ottawa, handling cross-border long-distance services. AT&T employees are more than 700 people in Canada.

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BOCA RATON, FLA. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Teletimer International Inc. announced Monday that it has received a Notice that an Event of Default has occurred under its Loan and Security Agreement dated Nov. 17, 1989 with its Senior Lender.

The notice provided that if such default is not cured by Sept. 15, the Senior Lender will declare the company in default under the Loan and Security Agreement and consider all of their options and rights arising from such default.

Including the option to declare all obligations under the term loan immediately due and payable and to foreclose on the collateral which secures the term loan. The collateral securing the term loan consists of all of the company's assets.

The company is endeavoring to cure the Event of Default, but can make no assurances that a cure can be made effective before Sept. 15.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Bolt Beranek and Newman Inc. (BBN) Monday said Dr. George Hatsopoulos will stand for election to its board of directors at the company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders in October.

Dr. Hatsopoulos was nominated to fill the seat on the seven-member board held by Samuel Labate, who is retiring.

Dr. Hatsopoulos is the founder, chairman of the board, and president of Thermo Electron Corp., a $600 million company that manufactures analytical instruments, co-generation systems, biomedical products, and industrial processing equipment. He is a member of the governing Council of the National Academy of Engineering, and a member of the executive committee of the Board of Directors of the National Bureau of Economic Research.

He served as chairman of the board of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston in 1988 and 1989.

Samuel Labate, a founder of BBN, a member of its board of directors since 1953, and a former chairman and president of the company, is retiring.

Headquartered in Cambridge, Bolt Beranek and Newman is a diversified high technology corporation. BBN develops, manufactures, sells, and supports data analysis software, communications hardware, and large-scale parallel processing computers; provides research and development services in the computer and physical sciences; and builds network, advanced simulation, and sensor and surveillance systems.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Representatives of Codenoll Technology Corp. (NASDAQ:CODN) with the Packard Electric Division of General Motors Monday announced breakthroughs in the development of Plastic Optical Fiber (POF) LAN technology.

The announcement and the demonstration of Ethernet-complaint POF technology at the NetWorld show in Dallas is expected to result in specific product announcements before the end of this year.

The six year joint development effort between Codenoll and GM has produced a technology that is directly applicable to today's workgroup LANs. Plastic fiber as a LAN media has been designed to obsolete both coax and twisted pair wiring. It will be less expensive, easier to install and easier to test than either shielded or unshielded twisted pair, while providing the higher performance and reliability associated with optical fiber technology.

The increasing use of 386 and more powerful machines for graphics and image processing coupled with the overall growth of the networking has created a need to share information at increasing speeds. Only fiber optic technology with its inherently high data rates addresses these needs.

Packard Electric Division, a member of GM's automotive component group, is the world's leader in automobile power and signal distribution systems.

Packard supplies complete wiring systems for over 9.5 million vehicles annually and is a supplier of systems and components to 15 of the top automotive manufacturers and has over 9,000 total customers.
Packard worldwide capabilities include 55,000 employees, 8 engineering support centers and 124 manufacturing facilities in 20 countries on six continents.

Codenoll Technology Corp. is the leading supplier of fiber optic Ethernet computer network systems with thousands of installations worldwide. In

1989 the company announced two lines of FDDI high speed computer network products under its CodeNet tradename. Codenoll products are resold worldwide by companies such as: Bosch, Bull, C&P Telephone, Contel, Digital Equipment Corp., Eurolan, Southwestern Bell, 3Com, and hundreds of other VARs, System Integrators and OEMs. Codenoll stock is publicly traded in the Over The Counter Market, NASDAQ:CODN.

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WOBURN, MASS. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Shareholders attending Alpha Industries (AMEX:AHA) annual meeting Monday were told that the company's profitability continues to increase.

Earnings for the second quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, are expected to exceed the five ($0.05) cents per share realized during the first quarter.

Martin J. Reid, president and chief operating officer, said ''I expect the company to demonstrate improving profits throughout fiscal 1991. Last year the company lost $2.10 per share. Earnings per share for this year could be 25 cents or more.''

Reid attributed the earnings improvement to the completion of the company's cost restructuring program and the continuing shift toward commercial product lines, away from the defense electronic contracts.

''In the past three years,'' he said, ''we have refocused the company in the three product areas; gallium arsenide monolithic integrated circuits and semiconductors, components and subsystems, and advanced ceramics and ferrites; where Alpha has industry-leading technical capability. During that same time, we have reduced the number of plant locations from eight to three, reduced overheads by 13 percent and productivity, as measured by sales per employee, increased 30 percent.''

Reid reported that only 40 percent of sales were defense related and the company continues to expand its share of a wide variety of commercial microwave markets including satellite-based communications, cellular telephone and industrial sensors. Reid also indicated that Alpha was developing products for automotive applications in order to further expand

into this market area as well.

Continuing, Reid said ''another substantial accomplishment has been the partnerships we have formed with some of the world's leading electronics companies. Alpha now has a number of these strategic alliances serving both commercial and defense markets. These ventures provide Alpha with technical, production and marketing resources that we believe are simply not available to other microwave companies, regardless of size.''

Alpha is a leading supplier of microwave semiconductors, ceramic, and ferrite devices, microwave and millimeter wave components, and multifunction subystems that are sold to manufacturers of sophisticated electronic systems.

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YONKERS, NY (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Codenoll Technology Corp. (NASDAQ: CODN) Monday announced three high performance fiber optic Ethernet Micro Channel adapter cards for IBM PS/2 personal computers and compatibles.

With this introduction of the new CodeNet-832X cards, which are available for immediate shipment, Codenoll now offers fiber optic Ethernet network support for ISA (IBM PC XT, AT and compatibles), EISA (Compaq, Hewlett-Packard, Olivetti and others) and Micro Channel computers.

''The design of the CodeNet-832X combined with the Micro Channel architecture, make this one of the fastest Ethernet interfaces available today,'' said Michael H. Coden, president of Codenoll. ''As the first in a line of fiber optic network adapters for the PS/2 and other Micro Channel computers, these cards are another part of Codenoll's plan to support open systems and industry standards such as Ethernet and the PS/2.''

The new series of Micro Channel adapters consists of three cards: 1. CodeNet-8320, which uses a low cost passive star to create an economical network that retains the distance, performance, security and expandability advantages of fiber.

2. CodeNet-8321, an Ethernet FOIRL-standard interface that connects to Codenoll's active star or any other FOIRL hub. 3. CodeNet-8322, which connects PS/2 performance to existing Codenoll passive star networks.

The suggested retail price for either the CodeNet-8320 or the CodeNet-8321 is $895. The CodeNet-8322 lists for $995. The new cards are available

immediately in limited quantities with volume production beginning in mid-July.

The CodeNet-832X cards have a 16-bit data bus interface and onboard dual-ported 16 Kbyte memory that is shared with the computer's processor for high throughput. They support 10 megabits-per-second network data transmission using CSMA/CD as specified by the IEEE 802.3 Ethernet standard.

Codenoll Technology Corp. is the leading supplier of fiber optic Ethernet computer network systems with thousands of installations worldwide. In 1989 the company announced two lines of FDDI high speed computer network products under its CodeNet tradename. Codenoll products are resold worldwide by companies such as: Bosch, Bull, C&P Telephone, Contel, Digital, Eurolan, Southwestern Bell, 3Com and hundreds of others.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 6:

American Plastics Recycling Group Ltd. (APRG)
Newpark Resources Inc. (NPRS)

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 10:

Comparator Systems Corp. (IDIDD) to (IDID)
Double Helix Films Inc. (DHFI) to Communications & Entertainment Corp. (CECO)
Odyssey Entertainment Ltd. (ODYY) to Communications & Entertainment Corp., Cl. A (CECOA)

Stamford Capital Group Inc. (CGPS) to Independence Holding Co. (INHO)
Warrantech Corp. (WTECD) to (WTEC)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 7:

Absorptive Technology Inc. (ABSFE) to (ABSVF)
Pubcoa Inc. (PUBC) to Buff-N-Puffs Ltd. (PUFF)

The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 6:

NTN Canada Inc. (NTNC) to (NTNCD), 1 for 10 reverse split

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 10) UPI - The flood of Colombian cocaine streaming into the United States has abated significantly over the past year, authorities say, but there are signs that a new surge is building.

The dropoff has been most significant in Los Angeles, one of the nation's two primary cocaine distribution centers. But in Miami, the other major cocaine importing center, drug enforcement officials say it's business as usual.

''The dope is way down,'' said Deputy District Attorney Curt Hazell, who heads the Los Angeles County District Attorney's narcotics unit. ''It's nothing like it was last year this time.''

Officials in Washington and Los Angeles attribute the slackening off of the nation's cocaine supply - the first such reversal since epidemic use of the drug in this country began a decade ago - to several factors.

Those factors included Colombia's crackdown on the notorious Medellin cocaine cartel and Mexico's stepped up efforts against traffickers who route cocaine bound for the United States through Mexico.

Other factors include a disruption of the traffickers' money- laundering activities in Panamanian banks when the United States invaded that country last year, and a law enforcement crackdown in the two primary cocaine producing countries, Bolivia and Peru, officials say.

''It is a national trend,'' said Charles Gutensohn, who directs all cocaine investigations for the federal Drug Enforcement Administration in Washington. ''There are indications that the amounts of cocaine coming into this country are less.''

''There are less seizures along the Mexican border from Texas to California. But the best statistics are that the price is up, the purity is down and overdose deaths are also down.''

Gutensohn said the rising prices of kilos of cocaine is a strong indication that there is a lesser amount of the drug available on the

street.

The purity of the drug goes down because traffickers dilute it to make smaller amounts go further. And there are fewer overdose deaths because the diluted cocaine is not as potent, he said.

In Los Angeles, officials cite another factor in the decreased levels of cocaine flowing into that city: the seizure last September of 21 tons of the drug from a warehouse - the world's largest drug bust.

''All the indications are that there are less seizures in Los Angeles, less major busts of cocaine,'' said agent Ralph Lochridge, spokesman for the DEA's Los Angeles division. ''The price is up and the purity is down, which generally means the supply is low.''

However, Tom Cash, head of the DEA's Miami office, while noting that there has been ''an enormous disruption'' to the Colombian drug traffickers' operations, said the flow of cocaine into Florida has not subsided.

''Florida has been somewhat unique,'' Cash said. ''The shortage is not evident here.''

He said cocaine seizures in Florida are apace with 1989 levels. He also noted that the price of cocaine in the state has not gone up and that the purity of the drug has not gone down.

Even with the decrease of the nation's cocaine supply, there are signs that the flow of cocaine into Los Angeles has started to pick up again in recent months, Hazell said. One such indication was a recent 1,500-pound seizure, the Los Angeles Police Department's largest cocaine bust of the year.

''The tide is shifting back,'' Hazell said. ''There are signs that it's starting to flow again, but not at those same high levels.''

However, even with the 1,500-pound bust, drug seizures by Los Angeles police are way down this year, a strong indication that shipments have abated, said Cmdr. William Booth, chief spokesman for the department.

Booth said that in the first six months of 1989, the department seized 7,201 pounds of cocaine, compared with just 1,555 pounds during the first half of 1990.

Over the past year, officials say, the wholesale price for a kilo of cocaine in Los Angeles shot up from $12,000 to $30,000 - reflecting tightened supply.

By contrast, Cash said that in Miami, a kilo of the drug still goes for

$16,000 to $21,000.

Hazell said another indicator of the diminished supply in Los Angeles is the relative difficulty drug dealers and police informants are having in finding cocaine to peddle. Because of the scarcity, dealers and informants are more frequently falling victim to reverse sting operations mounted by law enforcement groups, he said. Hazell also cited a decreased number of drug overdoses in Los Angeles.

Officials said that about 50 percent of all cocaine coming out of Colombia Bolivia and Peru winds up in Los Angeles by way of Mexico.

Lochridge said there is no way to measure exactly how much Colombian cocaine flows into Los Angeles in a year's time, but he characterized it as ''multi-tons.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 4) UPI - On Sept. 8, 1930, a gorgeous, gum-chewing, slang-spouting blonde with a figure for slinky gowns and a yen for wealthy playboys stepped into the funny papers.

Her name was Blondie Boopadoop and somebody forgot to tell her the stock market had crashed the year before and the party was over.

One of her many boyfriends was the rich, scatterbrained son of J. Bolling Bumstead, a railroad tycoon. His name was Dagwood and he couldn't even control his own polo pony.

Dagwood was nuts about Blondie. His parents were aghast.

Said Blondie on meeting J. Bolling 60 years ago: ''I always feel so boo-boop-a-doop when I meet my boyfriends' papas.''

This comic strip probably would have died like the Roaring Twenties if its creator Chic Young hadn't had the wisdom to read the mood of the country and realize that folks struggling with the snowballing Depression were through with flighty flappers and champagne-guzzling lounge-lizards.

In 1932, he decided to bring Blondie and Dagwood down to earth and set the stage with a classic publicity stunt that saw Dagwood on a 28- day hunger fast to force his parents to allow him to marry Blondie.

Thousands of letters and telegrams poured in from readers demanding that the stuffy parents let Blondie and Dagwood live their own lives.

The senior Bumsteads finally relented, but cut Dagwood off without a

penny. The wedding took place Feb. 17, 1933, just 15 days before Franklin D. Roosevelt told the nation at his inaugural, ''The only thing we have to fear is fear itself.''

The broke but happy couple, vowing to ''live on love,'' set up housekeeping in that familiar house on the busline in suburban America where they have lived for more than 57 years.

Is there anyone anywhere who doesn't know something about Blondie and Dagwood?

Trivia relating to it is bottomless. What was Alexander's nickname? (Baby Dumpling.) When was Cookie born? (April 11, 1941.) Who came first, Mr. Dithers or Herb Woodley? (Mr. Dithers, Dec. 3, 1935; Herb Woodley, Jan. 11 1936.)

When was the first time Dagwood crashed into Beasley the postman? (July 13 1936.) When was the first Dagwood sandwich created? (April 16, 1936.) Who played them in the movies? (Penny Singleton and Arthur Lake.)

Chic Young died in 1973, and his son, Dean, inherited the strip and has carried it through the 1980s and into the '90s, through gas shortages and cholesterol crisis, greasy-thumb diners, inflation and that everlastingly rotten, penny-pinching boss, Dithers.

Dean Young regards Blondie and Dagwood with a sort of loving bemusement as he tries to steer them around the pitfalls of middle-class America.

''Blondie looks pretty good for being as old as she is, doesn't she?'' he asked with a chuckle in a phone interview from his home in Clearwater Beach, Fla.

''My father was a genius to create people like Dagwood,'' he said. ''He looks like an alien from the Planet Zork, doesn't he? Here he is, married to this beautiful woman, and they have this marvelous menagerie of characters who evolved around them - children, dogs, neighbors, a boss, the postman.''

Older fans might regard Blondie as getting a bit long in the tooth, but Young doesn't even see her as getting middle-aged - and she certainly looks smashing in a bathing suit.

''I think of her as being in her 30s,'' he said.

So what does the future hold? Will Alexander and Cookie ever finish growing up, get married and make Blondie a grandma?

He paused a moment. ''I was thinking the other way,'' he replied.

''Blondie just might have another baby. What do you think?''

Another baby?

''I've thought about it for a couple of years,'' he added, somewhat mischievously.

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E.H. SHEA JR OWNS 55,200 SHARES (5.25%) OF XIOX CORP (TICKER: XIOX) OF BURLINGAME, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

E.H. Shea Jr. purchased 8,600 shares from Aug. 8-23, 1990 for $1.43 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90253c0008 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GATEWAY MINING CO OWNS 1,510,000 SHARES (14.25%) OF LA TEKO RESOURCES LTD (TICKER: LAOR) OF VANCOUVER, CANADA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Gateway Mining Co. purchased 805,000 shares from Apr. 2-24, 1990 and 705,000 shares from Aug. 1-25, 1990 for undisclosed sums.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90253c0009 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

J. F. SHEA CO INC OF WALNUT, CA OWNS 152,000 SHARES (.59%) OF SUNWARD TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: SUNT) OF SAN DIEGO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.F. Shea Co. Inc. purchased for a total of $503,750 50,000 series a preferred shares, convertible into 500,000 common shares, and warrants for 375,000 common shares. If all shares were converted into common, J.F. Shea Co. Inc. would hold 1,027,000 shares, representing 2.97 percent. On Aug. 31, 1990, Computer & Communications Technology Corp. merged with Sunward Technologies Inc.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90253c0012 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On the evening of Sept. 5, 1990, the board of Healthco International Inc. (TICKER: HLCO) voted to postone the annual meeting scheduled for Sept. 6, 1990 until Sept. 25, 1990. On Sept. 6, 1990, Gemini commenced an action in Delaware against the company seeking to declare the postponement of the meeting null and void and to enjoin the defendants from taking further action with respect to the meeting or the solicitation of proxies. Also on Sept. 6, 1990, Gemini delivered proxies representing more than 50 percent of the shares to Healthco International Inc. and effectuated the removal of the board of the company and the election of Gemini's nominees. Gemini

commenced another action in Delaware on Sept. 6, 1990 seeking an order declaring the removal of the board valid.

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#90253c0017 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.E. WALKER JR OWNS 67,900 SHARES (6.30%) OF CONGRESS STREET PROPERTY INC (TICKER: CSTP) OF JACKSON, MS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

W.E. Walker Jr. used approximately $253,000 of personal investment funds to acquire the above-mentioned shares. Mr. Walker may make additional purchases or sales and reserves the right to decide in the future to change the purpose or purposes.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 23 and 28, 1990, W.E. Walker Jr. purchased 1,500 and 21,400 shares at prices each of $3.13 and $2.44, respectively.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90253c0018 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 26

INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWNS 4,093,445 CLASS A SHARES (51.00%) OF EVEREST & JENNINGS INTL INC (TICKER: EJ) OF CAMARILLO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In letters sent to Everest & Jennings International Inc., IEP stated that it has chosen to forbear from demanding payment on $14.1 million in debentures and notes of the company, due since July 1990, on a day to day basis and will continue to do so provided that it may exercise all its rights to enforce the notes if certain events occur.

-30- 735
#90253c0019 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

L.C. BANDLER OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 21,611 SHARES (2.83%) OF SAGE DRILLING INC (TICKER: SAGE) OF WITCHITA, KS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From June 29 to Aug. 6, 1990, L.C. Bandler sold 40,900 shares and purchased 9,800 shares for $.38 to $.63 per share.

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#90253c0020 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY B.L. KIGHT OWNS 1,589,704 SHARES (42.80%) OF AMERICAN FILTRONA CORP (TICKER: AFIL) OF RICHMOND, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 20, 1990, Mr. Kight succeeded Herbert R. Elsas as a general trustee or trust committee member under the Walter Bunzl Family Trusts, two trusts established for the benefit of Rudolph H. Bunzl's children and two trusts for the benefit of Walter H. Bunzl's children established under the wills of Robert M. Bunzl and Nellie M. Bunzl. Mr. Kight acquired beneficial ownership of these shares on Aug. 20, 1990 in his capacity as a general trustee or trust committee member for the Walter Bunzl Family Trusts, the Rudolph Bunzl Family Trusts and the Testamentary Trusts, and not individually, and no consideration was paid by Mr. Kight.

PURPOSE:

Acquired beneficial ownership.

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#90253c0021 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

K.B. KARMIN OWNS 227,092 SHARES (5.48%) OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC (TICKER: RR) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 28, 1990, K.B. Karmin determined, for investment purposes only, to increase the holdings of the Kurt Trust and the Lonny Trust, collectively knows as the Karmin Trusts, in the common stock of the company. The Rodman Trust acts through its trustees, and the Rodman plan acts through administrators appointed by the company's board and their principal business is that of being an employee benefit plan operated in accordance with the federal Employee Retirement and Income Security Act of 1974, as amended. Pursuant to the terms of the Rodman Plan and the Rodman Trust, any shares of common stock of the company purchased by the Rodman Trust and allocated to a participant's account in the Rodman Plan may be voted by the participant to whose account said shares have been allocated. The Rodman Trust, retains sole authority over the disposition of said shares, except in the case of a tender offer for said shares, then the participant to whose account the shares have been allocated would have the power to direct the Rodman Trustees as to how to respond to such offer.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From and including Aug. 22, 1990 through Sept. 5, 1990, the Karmin trusts purchased 27,000 shares at a price of $5.38 to $5.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90253c0022 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

TECHE SUGAR CO OWNS 102,274 SHARES (8.30%) OF FINANCIAL CENTER BANCORP (TICKER: FCTB) OF SAN FRANCISCO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 20, 1990, Teche executed a Lock-Up Agreement between it and Keefe, Bruyette & Woods Inc., and an underwriting syndicate, whereby Teche agreed not to sell or otherwise dispose of the 102,274 shares of common stock beneficially owned by it for a period of 90 days following the execution of

an underwriting agreement between the company and the underwriters in connection with the proposed public offering of up to 575,000 shares of company common stock, provided the underwriting agreement was executed before Aug. 25, 1990; Cook and McCarthy also executed lock-up agreements. The underwriting agreement between the company and the underwriters was not executed before Aug. 25, 1990, and, Teche, Cook and McCarthy are no longer bound by the terms of their respective lock-up agreements. Therefore, Teche has decided, based on its dissatisfaction with existing market conditions, to discontinue its participation in the underwritten public offering of common stock contemplated by a registration statement filed with the SEC on March 21, 1990.

PURPOSE:

To discontinue participation in public offering.

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#90253c0023 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY T.L. KEMPNER OWNS 4,153,894 SHARES (17.60%) OF ALCIDE CORP (TICKER: ALCD) OF NORWALK, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Thomas L. Kempner received 30,960 shares of common stock for his services as a director of the company and Loeb Partners Corp. received 46,118 shares of common stock for its consulting services to the company.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 19, 1990 and Aug. 3, 1990, T.L. Kempner acquired 78,000 additional shares of preferred stock at a price of $1.50 to $1.88 per share.

-30- 703
#90253c0025 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Radva Corp.(TICKER: RDVA) earned $6,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $5,000 and a gain of $1,000), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.72 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $134,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $97,000 and a gain of $37,000), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of

$3.49 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90253c0026 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Twistee Treat Corp.(TICKER: TWST) lost $25,847 (including a loss from discontinued operations of $21,349), at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $528,700 (including a loss from discontined operations of $73,639), or $0.02 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

The company reports that it voluntarily filed for bankruptcy protection on July 3, 1989. Other than arranging for the disposition of its assets and other related activities pursuant to its proposed bankruptcy plan, Twistee is currently not conducting any significant operations.

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#90253c0027 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Paul Harris Stores Inc.(TICKER: PHRS) lost $203,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $55.23 million for the quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990.

This compares with a net profit of $143,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $54.74 million for the quarter ended July 29, 1989.

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#90253c0028 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Crowley Financial Services Inc.(TICKER: CRLY) lost $221,171, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $290,403 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $7,170, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $359,695 for the same period in 1989.

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#90253c0029 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Japan Airlines Co. Ltd.(TICKER: JAPN) earned $111,911 on revenues of $7.94 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with a total profit of Y20,183 (figures given in Japanese yen), on revenues of Y1.09 million for the fiscal year ended March 31,

1989.

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#90253c0030 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Doak Pharmacal Co. Inc.(TICKER: DOAK) earned $19,481 (including an extraordinary gain of $5,300), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $460,995 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $19,576, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $337,313 for the same period in 1989.

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#90253c0031 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Rocky Mountain Minerals Inc. lost $34,303, or at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $5,156 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $32,853, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $10,171 for the same period in 1989.

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#90253c0033 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Disease Detection International Inc.(TICKER: DDII) lost $932,301, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $149,415 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $555,265, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $101,371 for the same period in 1989.

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#90253c0034 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Photronics Inc.(TICKER: PLAB) earned $995,713, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $9.66 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $273,612, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $7.31 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90253c0035 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the

Bank of New Hampshire Corp.'s(TICKER: BNHC) board of directors approved at a meeting held Aug. 22, 1990, a third quarter dividend of $0.13 per share, a 43% reduction from the second quarter's dividend of $0.23 per share.

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#90253c0036 09/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Above Technologies Inc.(TICKER: ABVE) filed a balance sheet as of Aug. 31, 1990, and a statement of operations for the eight months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

The company reports it lost $123,117, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.26 million for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

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#90253c0037 09/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Big O Tires Inc.(TICKER: BIGO) entered an agreement with its shareholders, effective Aug. 27, 1990, to guarantee shareholders will receive a total net amount equal to $5 per share for the 1.02 million shares issued in connection with their merger with Big O Tires of Louisville Inc. in Nov., 1988, if the shares are sold to them in accordance with the six-year schedule set forth in the agreement.

Shareholders also have agreed that Big O has the right to make such adjustments in the number of shares issuable to the shareholders by paying shareholders cash instead of shares of Big O's common stock.

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#90253c0038 09/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Iowa Southern Inc.(TICKER: IUTL) filed a petition Aug. 24 with the Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) requesting the IUB to reduce Iowa Southern Utilities Co.'s (ISU) retail electric rates by approximately $12.2 million.

Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) requesting the IUB to reduce Iowa Southern Utilities Co.'s (ISU) ISU expects the IUB will docket the matter and conduct hearings to determine the appropriateness of the petition.

ISU will vigorously resist elements of the petition that are not acceptable and will present evidence to support rates that are in effect.

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#90253c0039 09/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows

Ointex Entertainment Inc. and subsidiaries agreed July 17, 1990, to sell all assets of the television stations it owns except for cash and accounts receivable on the closing date, to ABRY Television Limited Partnership, for $37 million.

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#90253c0041 09/10/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - Riedman Corp. of Buffalo has agreed to buy 978,000 shares of Niagara Exchange Corp.(TICKER: NIEX) series C cumulative convertible preferred stock for $8.25 each or $8.97 million.

Under a Sept. 6 agreement, Niagara Exchange will nominate two Riedman designees to the Buffalo insurer's board, plus the designees of its two other largest shareholders, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Regulatory approval of the deal has been received from the state insurance departments in New York and South Carolina.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 7, 1990.

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#90253c0042 09/10/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - Ratners Group P.L.C.(TICKER: RATN), which is acquiring Kay Jewelers Inc.(TICKER: KJI), will close Kay's Alexandria, Va., headquarters, as part of a cost-cutting plan, and transfer responsibility for Kay's merchandising, distribution, advertising and credit management to its Akron, Ohio-based Sterling unit following the acquisition.

While Ratners plans to operate the Kay Jewelers and J.B. Robinson stores under their existing names, the London-based chain plans to sell Kay's Marcus and Black, Starr & Frost divisions.

The plans were detailed in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Ratners wants to sell the units because they do not fit with its existing U.S. operations.

Kay had hired The First Boston Corp. last March to find buyers for Black, Starr & Frost but did not receive any acceptable offers.

Kay shareholders will vote on the proposed $145 million stock-swap merger at a special meeting next month.

Ratners is Britain's largest jewelry retailer and one of the largest in the United States.

The company owns and operates 933 jewelry stores and 218 fashion-accesory stores in Britain and 488 jewelry stores in 39 states in the United States.

The Kay acquisition follows Ratners takeover of Sterling Inc., an Akron-based jewelry store chain, in 1989.

Kay is one of the largest jewelry-store chains in the United States, operating 506 stores in 32 states under the names Kay Jewelers, J.B. Robinson, Bon Marche, Famous-Barr, Stern's and Black, Starr & Frost.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 7, 1990.

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#90253c0043 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J. PULTE OWNS 2,146,700 SHARES (9.10%) OF PHM CORP (TICKER: PHM) OF BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J. Pulte received 1,005,500 shares on Aug. 29, 1990 as a gift from her husband, William J. Pulte.

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#90253c0044 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.J. PULTE OWNS 3,764,967 SHARES (16.00%) OF PHM CORP (TICKER: PHM) OF BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

W.J. Pulte gave 1,005,500 shares on Aug. 29, 1990 to his wife as a gift.

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#90253c0045 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY ARGOSYSTEMS HOLDING CO OWNS 3,836,794 SHARES (90.80%) OF UTL CORP (TICKER: UTLC) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a merger agreement dated July 31, 1990, Argosystems Holding Co. commenced a $4.75 per share tender offer for the shares and paid a total of $18,224,771 for their stake. Following the offer, William N. Bret, Robert E. Galer, Robert E. Hibbert, Gifford K. Johnson, Robert McCulloch and H.L. Simpson were replaced by B.D. Pinick, John B. Sheridan and B.B. May.

PURPOSE:

To obtain control of UTL Corp.

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#90253c0046 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY BOEING CO OWNS 3,836,794 SHARES (90.80%) OF UTL CORP (TICKER: UTLC) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The offer expired on Aug. 31, 1990, with 3,836,794 shares purchased, giving Boeing Co. a 90.8% stake.

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#90253c0047 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 29

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Stahl sent a letter to stockholders on Sept. 7, 1990 analyzing Apple Bancorp Inc.'s (TICKER: APK) recent activities.

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#90253c0049 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

BAXTER INTL INC OF DEERFIELD, IL OWNS 500,000 SHARES (3.50%) OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC (TICKER: GENI) OF CAMBRIDGE MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Baxter International Inc. ceased to own more than five percent of Genetics Institute Inc.'s common stock on Sept. 7, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Baxter International Inc. sold 521,374 shares on Sept. 7, 1990 for $31.25 per share.

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#90253c0057 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman Richard Breeden said today one of the lessons to be learned from the collapse of the thrift industry is to shift accounting standards for financial institutions from a historical cost framework to a market-based method.

"Determining the current value of an institution's assets, not recording their original cost, should increasingly be the goal toward which we work " the SEC chairman said in an appearance before the Senate Banking Committee.

Breeden conceded that transforming the accounting standards of banks and thrifts from a cost to a market-based standard is a complex undertaking, but said this would allow regulators to much more clearly gauge the fiscal health of these institutions.

"The nation's experience with the crisis in the savings and loan industry, as well as many of the largest bank failures, demonstrates the inherent and substantial dangers of a reporting system for financial institutions that is premised on historical cost accounting principles," Breeden said. "Market-based information can permit regulators and investors alike to make a much more meaningful assessment of the real economic value and risk

exposures of a financial institution."

Regulatory accounting principles (RAP) are accounting standards established by regulatory agencies to monitor compliance with statutory and administrative requirements. Generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) are established by private sector standards and GAAP reporting is required for the sale of securities and periodical financial reports by every type of public company.

During the 1980s, Breeden charged that thrift accounting standards under RAP created the false appearance of solvency among S&L institutions.

"Through 1985, $6.3 billion of losses under RAP were treated as gains," Breeden said. "We allowed institutions that were essentially insolvent to go out and borrow $650 billion and play double or nothing."

Banks and thrifts that are not part of a holding company are exempt from SEC oversight, and fall under the responsibility of one of the four separate federal banking and thrift regulators. Breeden believes this exemption should be overturned.

"All publicly-held companies, including financial institutions, should be required to adhere to a uniform set of accounting principles," Breeden said. "The principles should be ... overseen by a single agency, that is immune to tampering by a failed industry or its regulators."

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#90253c0058 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) COMTEX - The leaders of two key U.S. banking agencies told Congress today they have not yet agreed on capital standard requirements for banks and disputed if their differences were cause for concern.

"Seems to me, we are not talking about a matter of substance here," Comptroller of the Currency Robert Clarke told the Senate Banking Committee. "I believe we are substantially in agreement."

"When you are dealing with thousands of banks, they need a single standard " countered L. William Seidman, chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. "I think we have to have exactly the same wording with Controller Clarke."

The debate centers on new minimum leverage ratios which will require a minimum capital-to-assets ratio for banking institutions. Capital is used to measure the fiscal health of financial institutions.

The Federal Reserve Board has recently revised its standards to a minimum capital-to-assets ratio from six percent to three percent for the safest institutions while requiring an additional capital cushion of one to two percent depending on a bank's financial condition.

Seidman, who would have preferred a 4.5 percent margin instead of three percent, said the FDIC will endorse the Fed proposal because the three percent target applies to only the strongest institutions.

The purpose of the leverage ratio is ensure that banks which hold substantial amounts of low credit risk assets maintain some level of equity capital to protect against unseen and extraordinary events. Clarke, who favors a flat three percent rate, fears that setting the ratio too high could place banks at a competitive disadvantage.

"The point is, we are being diligent enough in requiring banks to have enough capital to protect the insurance fund," Clarke said.

"I think it is absolutely essential we agree on capital standards - not almost," said Seidman. "I don't think under any circumstances we should indicate to 10,000 banks their capital standards have been reduced. "This relates directly to the safety and soundness of the insurance system."

Senate Banking Chairman Donald Riegle (D-Mich.) urged the regulators to hammer out an agreement within 30 days.

"The difference of opinion is not significant in your mind (Clarke) but it is in his (Seidman)," Riegle said. "We have enough other things to worry about to have this run any longer. This must be settled. We should get this nailed down in 30 days."

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.T. BURKARD OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN OWNS 348,208 SHARES (4.70%) OF AMERICAN NUCLEAR CORP (TICKER: ANUC) OF CASPER, WY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.T. Burkard is no longer the beneficial owner of five percent of the number of shares outstanding and has no further obligation to report under SEC rules and regulations.

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#90253c0060 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

3I SECURITIES CORP OWNS 2,090,625 SHARES (7.87%) OF SUNWARD TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: SUNT) OF SAN DIEGO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 31, 1990, the merger of the company with and into Information Magnetics Corp., a California corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of Computer & Communications Technology Corp., a Delaware corporation, was consummated; each issued and outstanding share of the company's common and preferred stock was exchanged for shares of CCT's common stock, and cash was paid in lieu of fractional shares. On Aug. 28, 1990, 3i executed a continuity of interest certificate pursuant to which, 3i agreed not to sell for a period of ten months after the merger more than 33 percent of the shares of the common stock which it acquired as a result of the merger. CCT amended its certificate of incorporation to change its name to Sunward Technologies Inc., following the merger, under which it will continue to operate its business, to increase its authorized number of common stock shares and to reduce the par value to $.01. Sunward Technologies also filed a certificate of designation of rights, preferences and privileges of series A preferred stock and entered into a series A preferred stock and common stock warrant purchase agreement, dated Aug. 31, 1990, pursuant to which Sunward issued and sold shares of its series A preferred stock at a price of $10 per share and warrants to purchase its common stock at a price of $.01 per share. The beneficially-owned shares hold 40,000 shares of series A preferred stock, convertible into 400,000 shares and warrants to purchase 300,000 shares of the common stock.

PURPOSE:

Amended and restated agreement and merger agreement.

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#90253c0061 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

T.M. MURRELL OWNS 756,456 SHARES (5.40%) OF AMVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: AVFC) OF TOPEKA, KS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The amount of beneficially-owned shares contains 351,113 shares of common stock held directly by Mr. Murrell; 234,442 shares of common stock that could be acquired upon exercise of options held by Mr. Murrell; 2,927 shares of common stock held directly by Mr. Murrell as joint tenant with the right of survivorship with his wife, Patricia L. Murrell; 17,316 shares of common stock held in the Turner Meadows Murrell Foundation; and the 79,232 common shares held by Murrell Investment Fund Inc. Mr. Murrell disclaims beneficial ownership of 71,426 shares of common stock held by his wife.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 21, 1990, T.M. Murrell disposed of 20,000 shares by gift.

PURPOSE:

To make a correction of amendment no. 14 on the number of shares directly held.

-30- 1113
#90253c0062 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

P.J. ROCCO OWNS 126,370 SHARES (8.10%) OF ORANGE BANCORP (TICKER: H.OBT) OF FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

P.J. Rocco intends to continue to acquire shares of Orange Bancorp and intends to file a notice of change in control with the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco which, if approved, will authorize him to purchase at least 26 percent of the issued and outstanding shares of Orange Bancorp. P.J. Rocco will seek election or appointment to Orange Bancorp's board in the near future.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

During the period of July 6, 1990 through Aug. 6, 1990, P.J. Rocco purchased 126,370 shares at a price of $2.50 per share, or an aggregate price of $315,925.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90253c0064 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FIRST CITY TEXAS NA OWNS 13,458 SHARES (3.59%) OF CENTRAL COAL & COKE CORP (TICKER: CCCK) OF KANSAS CITY, MO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The 13,485 shares of Central Coal & Coke Corp. reported as beneficially-owned hereunder is through the co-trustee relationship existing pursuant to the Louise Moran Trust. First City Texas NA is in the process of resigning as a co-trustee under the Louis Moran Trust and anticipates that it will relinquish its duties as co-trustee under the Louise Moran Trust as soon as a successor trustee is appointed by the applicable court and the successor trustee accepts such appointment. At that time, First City Texas NA's beneficial ownership of any of the securities of Central Coal & Coke Corp. as reported hereunder shall cease.

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#90253c0065 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 930,684 SHARES (5.20%) OF HARLEY DAVIDSON INC (TICKER: HDI) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90253c0066 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 930,684 SHARES (5.20%) OF HARLEY DAVIDSON INC (TICKER: HDI) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 19, 1990 and Aug. 31, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 233,880 shares at a price of $21 to $32 per share and sold 294,276 shares at a price of $20.91 to $34.72 per share.

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#90253c0067 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 873,184 SHARES (4.87%) OF HARLEY DAVIDSON INC (TICKER: HDI) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

FMR is no longer the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the number of shares outstanding and has no further reporting obligations under SEC rules and regulations.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 4, 1990, FMR Corp. sold 51,500 shares at a price of $22.77 per share.

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#90253c0068 09/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 873,184 SHARES (4.87%) OF HARLEY DAVIDSON INC (TICKER: HDI) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

FIL is no longer the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the number of shares outstanding and has no further reporting obligations under SEC rules and regulations.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 1, 1990, Fidelity International LTD sold 6,000 shares of Harley-Davidson Inc.'s stock at a price of $23 per share.

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#90253d0110 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (SEPT. 10) - Tens of thousands of people, Iraqis and Arab nationals for the most part, demonstrated Monday in front of the U.S. and British embassies here to denounce the foreign military presence in the Gulf, correspondents said.

Marchers carried banners protesting the deployment of British and U.S. troops in the region and denouncing threats directed at Iraq.

Britain and the United States both dramatically bolstered their troop strength in the Gulf, notably in Saudi Arabia, following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

Monday's protest followed Sunday's superpower summit in Helsinki that confirmed U.S.-Soviet unity behind a demand for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Demonstrations, apart from those supporting the government, are banned in Iraq.

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#90253d0130 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (SEPT. 10) - China's industrial output in August rose 4.6 percent over the same month last year, following a disappointing 2.9 percent growth in July, the China Daily said Monday.

But the country seems unlikely to achieve the target of six percent growth by the end of 1990, due to continued depression of the domestic market, the English language daily said.

Quoting statistics released Sunday by the State Statistical Bureau, the newspaper said industrial output in August was worth 33.2 billion dollars, up 1.9 percent from July.

Despite the improved figure, one bureau official was quoted as saying "the situation is still serious."

Stockpiling inventories have forced businesses to cut back or even suspend production, causing a continued decline in profits, the daily said.

In the first eight months of this year, industrial output totalled 255 billion dollars, up 2.6 percent from the same period last year.

Prime performers in August were collectively-owned rural industries, which

registered a 9.3 percent growth, and foreign-funded businesses whose output soared 49.8 percent.

After a fall of 0.9 percent in the first few months of 1990, industrial output picked up in March with a 1.4 percent rise.

April, May and June saw further rises of two, 4.2 and 5.9 percent, after 8.5 billion dollars in bank loans were injected into the economy.

Following a period of rapid growth in 1988 (17.7 percent), production declined sharply in 1989 (down to 6.8 percent growth) following introduction of a drastic austerity programme in the second half of the year, aimed at cooling down the overheated economy.

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#90253d0200 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 10) - The Baltic International Freight Futures Exchange (BIFFEX)'s Baltic Freight Index (BFI) slipped lower over the past week, with few fixings undertaken outside bookings made by the U.S. Military Sealift Comand (MSC) to carry supplies to the Gulf States area.

The BFI ended Friday down 15 points on the week at 1,194 points.

Traders said that shippers were still shying away from booking cargoes while the direction of bunker fuel prices remained uncertain.

In the grain trades, rates ended the week decisively lower due to the lack of activity.

The index value on the key U.S. Gulf to Japan route fell as low as 20.225 dollars per tonne in midweek, down from 21.167 the previous Friday.

Sentiment on the route nevertheless improved ahead of the weekend, and the index value recovered Friday to 20.35 dollars per ton after a 52,000-ton vessel was fixed at 20.75, up from the last known such fixing of 19.15 a month earlier.

Falls were also noted on the other main grain routes. U.S. Gulf to Europe carriers were quoting at 10.79 dollars per tonne against 10.967 the previous week, U.S. North Pacific to Japan loaders at 10.53 against 10.567 and U.S. Gulf to Venezuela vessels at 11.90 against 12.042.

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#90253d0220 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DERBY, England (SEPT. 10) - A bomb blast ripped through the main shopping center in Derby on Monday near a British army career center, damaging

several shops, police said in this town in central England.

No one was injured in the explosion, which occurred shortly after the complex opened, according to an ambulance service spokesman.

"At present we have had no casualties and we have withdrawn farther from the area while the search takes place for any secondary device," chief ambulance officer Paul Kirkman said.

A police spokesman said the blast, which appeared to have occurred on the roof of the center, shattered windows and caused some structural damage.

The complex was evacuated and sealed off while police investigators made a routine search for a second device.

No one had claimed responsibility for the blast which resembled a series of attacks on army centers in England carried out by the Irish Republican Army in the last eight months.

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#90253d0290 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUSSELDORF, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 10) - West German electrical engineering and tubes concern Mannesmann said Monday it had signed a 340 million Deutsche mark (212 million dollars) to build a natural gas storage system in Norway.

Under the contract with Norwegian state-owned energy concern Statoil, work on the center at Etzel, which will have a capacity of up to 500 million cubic metres, is to begin in May and be completed in October 1993.

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#90253d0320 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 10) - Australia hopes to beat delays in exports of lamb and mutton to the Middle East with a new packaging process which preserves meat for 12 weeks, the Australian Meat and Livestock Corp. said Monday.

Mike Hayward of the corporation's research department said a trial shipment of lamb recently arrived at Dubai, in the United Arab Emirates, packed in nylon bags containing carbon dioxide, not oxygen.

Dubai took about 5,000 of the 10,400 tonnes of Australian lamb sold in the Middle East in the year to June 30.

Another emirate, Abu Dhabi, took 2,000 tonnes, as did Saudi Arabia, which also bought 9,000 tonnes of Australian mutton out of 20,000 tonnes sold to the Middle East.

Sales to the region account for a quarter of Australian lamb exports, but increased tension in the Gulf has added to the usual delivery time of 10 to 15 days.

Carbon dioxide retards the action of bacteria, and Mr. Hayward said that the new packaging, developed in New Zealand, "extends shelf life by keeping the bug count down."

He said that he knew of no disadvantages in the process, "although it is not as good as chilled air freight and never will be."

Air services to the Middle East have been disrupted, however, and international freight rates are set to rise by some 10 per cent next month because of increases in oil prices.

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#90253d0460 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 10) - France wants the European Economic Community (EEC) to close its borders to East German food products which do not conform to EEC standards, Finance and Economy Minister Pierre Beregovoy has said.

"During a transition period, East German products which do not conform to Community standards should stay in East Germany for consumption there," Mr. Beregovoy warned in an interview published Monday by the regional daily Le Journal du Center.

"The Germans should give guarantees and ensure checks" so that such East German products remain in the country, Mr. Beregovoy said.

"East German agriculture does not for the moment conform to Community hygiene and veterinary standards," and "it will take it time to adapt," he added.

"We must firmly defend in Brussels the equality of conditions for competition faced with East Germany's entry" into the EEC.

French farmers have been protesting recently against meat imports, particularly from East Germany, blaming them in part for a lowering in prices.

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#90253d0520 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (SEPT. 10) - French exports to Vietnam rose 26.5 percent in the frst half of this year to 283 million francs (54 million dollars), French officials here said Monday.

Vietnamese exports to France in the first half of the year rose only 0.9 per cent over the same period last year to 66 million francs (12.5 million dollars), they said.

France ranks second behind Britain among capitalist countries investing in Vietnam, with a total of 80 million francs (15 million dollars) invested by September 1989, they said.

This represents 21.4 percent of all Western foreign investment in Vietnam, the French Embassy's trade section said.

"Despite all this activity, results on both sides have fallen below expectations and failed to reach their full potential," the official Vietnam News Agency (VNA) said Monday, criticising what it said were unequal trading conditions between the two countries.

VNA said French products had become "less competitive than those of developed nations in the region."

Vietnam exports coal, agricultural products, lumber and textiles to France and imports mainly machinery.

"A return to Vietnam of (French investment) is a ... positive idea," VNA said, but regretted the "lack of patience and flexibility" of many French businessmen.

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#90253d0570 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 10) - British retail sales fell 1.6 percent in August over the July level, according to seasonally-adjusted provisional figures released Monday by the central statistical office.

The market had been expecting retail sales to rise 0.2 percent after a 1.3 percent rise in July.

The August figure gave a year on year rise of 0.4 percent after a 2.7 percent year on year improvement the previous month.

Retail sales fell in the three months to August by 0.9 percent over the previous quarter, but were up 1.4 percent over the same quarter last year.

British wholesale prices rose 0.2 percent in August over the July level, according to provisional non-seasonally adjusted figures from the statistical office.

The increase was below market forecasts of a 0.4 percent rise, largely due

to stability in prices of food, drinks and tobacco, the office said.

Wholesale prices were up 5.8 percent year on year, against six percent in July.

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#90253d1000 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 10) - Japan's Export-Import Bank said it signed an agreement Monday to lend up to 51.8 billion yen (375 million dollars) to Mexico's Nacional Financiera SNC, its biggest export credit to the country.

The 10-year loan is cofinanced by nine other banks and will be used by Mexico's Comision Federal de Electricidad to buy Japanese goods and services required for the construction of two 350-megawatt power plants, the bank said.

The terms of the loan were not available.

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#90253d1750 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (SEPT. 10) - Iran and Iraq have agreed to resume diplomatic relations severed during the Gulf war, the Iranian news agency Irna reported Monday at the end of a visit by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

The agency quoted diplomatic sources as saying Aziz had called for a restoration of bilateral ties and a reopening of the embassies and that Iran ''announced their consent in this connection''.

Irna said Iran and Iraq had agreed to reopen their embassies in the near future. Diplomatic relations were severed in October 1987, more than seven years after the start of the Gulf war.

During his 24-hour visit, Aziz met Iranian President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani and handed him a message from Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, the contents of which were not disclosed.

The Iranian agency quoted Aziz as saying that Iraq was for a ''total and comprehensive peace'' with Iran.

Rafsanjani was quoted as saying that Iran also wanted a comprehensive peace as well as a speedy demarcation of borders, the exchange of prisoners of war and visiting rights for pilgrims.

The visit by Aziz, who was also accompanied by Oil Minister Isam abdar-Rahim Ash-Shalabi, was the first by a top-ranking Iraqi official since the 1979 Islamic revolution in Iran.

Aziz's visit follows Baghdad's announcement on August 17 that it had accepted Iran's terms for peace in their war which began with Iraq's invasion of Iran in 1980 and was halted by a ceasefire two years ago.

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#90253d1850 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 10) - Russian Orthodox priest Alexander Menn, 55, a prominent pre-perestroika dissident, has been axed to death, the Soviet news agency Interfax reported Monday.

Interfax said that Menn's body was found Sunday not far from his house in Zagorsk, near Moscow.

Menn, who was well-known for his youth work, his philosophical and religious books and as a member of Moscow's Theological Academy, was to become the rector of the Russian Orthodox Church Sunday University in the Soviet capital at the end of the month.

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#90253d1860 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 10) - For only the second time in British legal history, a company was charged with manslaughter here Monday in connection with the 193 deaths when the ferry Herald of Free Enterprise sank in March 1987.

The ferry's owner, P and O European Ferries, and seven employees are charged with manslaughter. The seven face maximum sentences of life imprisonment. There is no limit to the fine that could be imposed on the company.

They are being formally tried for the death of one of the victims, Alison Joy Gaillard, 27, under the principle of "specimen count" by which, if they are found guilty of her death, they are equally guilty of the others.

The trial could create a precedent of corporate guilt for companies involved in major disasters which, until now, have escaped guilt.

Only once before, in 1965, was a British company charged with manslaughter. But the crucial question of whether a company could commit a crime was not considered at that trial, which resulted in a not guilty verdict.

The Herald of Free Enterprise capsized 1.6 kilometres (one mile) outside the harbour wall of the Belgian port of Zeebrugge after tonnes of water poured through its open doors.

The accused are three former directors of Townsend Thorensen, which was

taken over by P and O a month before the disaster, and four crew members including the ferry captain.

They are alleged not to have considered the risk involved in sailing with the ferry doors open, or to have negligently taken that risk.

The father of Mrs. Gaillard, Maurice de Rohan, is the chairman of the association of the ferry victims' relatives. The association plans to monitor the trial, which is expected to last four months.

The accused are John Alcindor, deputy chief superintendent of P and O, Wallace Ayres, director and head of the company's technical department, Jeffrey Develin, director and chief superintendent of the company's marine department,

ferry master David Lewry, John Kirby, senior master of the ship, first officer Leslie Sabel and assistant boatswain Marc Stanley.

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#90253d1990 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 10) - The prime minister of Kuwait's exiled government, Sheikh Saad al-Abdallah as-Sabah, Monday said he was deeply satisfied with the outcome of Sunday's superpower summit.

''The whole world is happy,'' said the premier after a one-hour meeting in Paris with French head of government Pierre Rochard at which they discussed the Gulf crisis.

Officials said the talks dealt with relations between France and Kuwait and the best way to enforce United Nations resolutions against Iraq, which invaded Kuwait August 2.

At Sunday's superpower summit in Helsinki, U.S. President George Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev condemned Iraq and demanded its immediate withdrawal from Kuwait.

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#90253d2000 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VLADIVOSTOK, SOVIET UNION (SEPT. 10) - With its logjams of Japanese cars and smartly dressed window shoppers, Vladivostok looks anything but a city

that has been closed to foreigners for 40 years.

The secret is a flourishing black market fuelled by the merchant seamen and fishermen who receive a third of their salary in foreign currency to cover their expenses in foreign ports.

The average seaman will get about 200 roubles a month -- about 6,000 yen (40 dollars) at the official rate. "You can get a second-hand Japanese car for 400 dollars," according to Sergei, a student who said the car black market was in the hands of "the local mafia".

The U.S. dollar is worth 0.56 roubles at the official rate but on the black market a dollar is worth 20 roubles. A car bought in Japan for 400 dollars will cost a seaman the equivalent of 8,000 roubles but "it can be resold for between 10,000 and 20,000 roubles because demand for them is enormous " said Sergei.

Toyotas, Suzukis and Nissans are the models most frequently seen in Vladivostok but there are also a few glossy 4X4 Mitsubishi Pajeros. Contrary to Soviet cars, all the Japanese vehicles are equipped for driving on the left hand side of the road.

AFP journalists here for an international conference on "economic cooperation in the Pacific", were able to see about 15 Japanese cars being unloaded from a ship at the quayside, as a crowd of envious bystanders looked on.

"In three years, 10,000 Japanese cars have been registered in Vladivostok," the city's mayor, Yevgeny Blinov told AFP. Maintenance using spare-parts from Japan is ensured at garages which can be either state-owned or run as Japanese-Soviet joint ventures, Mr. Blinov said.

In a similar way, Vladivostok inhabitants have been able to acquire televisions, hi-fi equipment and video cassette players. A huge parallel market in such equipment is organised every weekend on the fringe of the city. The interpreter accompanying French journalists referred to it proudly as "the Soviet Union's biggest black market".

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#90253d2040 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GOERLITZ, EAST GERMANY (SEPT. 10) - East Germans, newly enriched with Deutsche marks, are flocking across the border each weekend, raiding Polish shops and leaving a trail of animosity behind.

Since monetary union with West Germany took effect last July 1, East German customs has registered 75,000 crossings over the Friendship Bridge linking this East German town to its Polish neighbor Zgorzelec.

Both were once halves of the same German town which straddled the Neisse River, until the German-Polish border was redrawn down the waterway after the defeat of the Nazis in World War II.

The East Germans "are buying everything, and on top of it they look down on us," said an elderly woman in Zgorzelec, pointing to a group of "intruders" loading up the trunk of their tiny Trabi automobile.

Meat products, milk, potatoes and clothes -- all are snapped up at Poland's state Spotem store by eager East Germans who shun their own Centrum.

"I can buy a pair of jeans for less than 20 DMs (12.50 dollars) in Poland by changing money on the black market," explained Maik, a 25-year-old student of business management. "I would have to pay 60 DMs for the same pair in East Germany.

"Why should we feel guilty," he continued. "Before monetary union Poles would come here and buy our state-subsidized merchandise and do a shameful trade."

Jeans are the most popular item, and along the streets at the other end of Friendship Bridge one out of two shops stocks mainly that.

Polish shopkeepers have learned to adapt to their new customers.

"Often they come to take back items for resale in East Germany," explained Maria Lisowska in her tiny store filled with jackets, pants and men's shirts. "If they place a huge order, we may sometimes give them a good price."

Storekeepers in this East German town, however, are bitter over what they view as one more undeserved hard knock.

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#90253d2070 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOMBAY, INDIA (SEPT. 10) - India continued Monday to fly home its nationals stranded in the Middle East, in what aviation offials have described as the largest ever air evacuation of its kind.

Air India, the state-owned international carrier, has been at the forefront of the evacuation efforts, the biggest ever undertaken by a commercial airline.

The airline has so far flown home more than 17,000 Indians amid criticism that the government was not doing enough for its nationals caught in the Gulf conflict.

Twelve flights arrived in this western port city Sunday from Amman and Dubai, bringing home Indians stranded in the region following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The more than 3,300 evacuees, who brought the total number of Indians repatriated since August 15 to 26,300, were flown back on four Air India Airbus A-310s and two Boeing-747s, four Indian Airlines Airbus A-320s and two Indian Air Force Ilyushin Il-76s.

The government is trying to raise the daily average of refugees flown home from 1,500 to 3,500 over the next few days.

As many as 14 commercial planes have been requisitioned for the operation, eight from Air India and six from Indian Airlines, the state-owned domestic carrier. While some ferry passengers from Amman to Dubai, the rest operate between Dubai and Bombay.

Stung by criticism that it was adopting a callous attitude to the fate of Indians in the Gulf, New Delhi has posted ministers in both Amman and Dubai to overseee the operations.

An estimated 172,000 Indians were in Kuwait at the time of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's invasion and subsequent annexation of the tiny, oil-rich emirate.

According to reports here, some 40,000 of them trekked across the desert to Jordan.

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#90253d2090 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ADELAIDE, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 10) - The South Australian government is hoping to turn an industrial wasteland, polluted by chemicals and fringed by mangrove swamps, into a 21st century city that will help reverse Australia's brain drain.

The site won out against bids from four other Australian states for a project suggested by Japan and burdened with the uninformative name of Multi-Function Polis (MFP).

While some reports have suggested that the MFP might attract six billion dollars (4.8 billion U.S.) in foreign investment, officials here admit that it is not easy to convince a sceptical public since the project remains largely undefined.

For State Premier John Bannon, the immediate advantage is that Adelaide will be able to reclaim 3,800 hectares (9,400 acres) of land at Gillman,

long an industrial dumping ground on the northern outskirts.

"It was a bit of lateral thinking" to recommend a polluted wasteland to the joint Japanese-Australian steering committee, Mr. Bannon said in an interview.

The committee accepted Adelaide's bid on June 19 after its first choice, Queensland, withdrew an offer to build the MFP on the Gold Coast, an area full of luxury hotels south of Brisbane.

Queensland's Premier Wayne Goss had refused to commit his government to forcibly purchasing private land for the MFP.

Officials said in private such a purchase might provoke anti-Japanese feeling in Queensland, where there is already large Japanese investment in the tourist industry.

The steering committee of seven Australian and seven Japanese bankers, industrialists, academics and civil servants was set up after the Japanese ministry of international trade and industry suggested the idea of the MFP to Australia in 1987.

The committee has been dissolved and a management group set up to conduct a six to eight month feasibility study of the MFP.

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#90253d2120 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANAU, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 10) - The chief defendant in a trial of three businessmen accused of illegal nuclear technology deals with Pakistan admitted here Monday having delivered tritium gas, which can be used to make nuclear weapons.

Rudolf Maximilian Ortmayer, former chief executive of the Neue Technologien (Ntg) company, said he initially believed the Pakistanis wanted the tritium to process fuel waste from their Karachi nuclear power plant, and not to manufacture atomic weapons.

It was only after his Pakistani contacts also began to ask about uranium and plutonium did it ''ring a bell'' what their aims were, said Ortmayer.

Ortmayer, 53, faces charges of violating both West German foreign trade regulations and a ban on exporting weaponry for the deals goingback to the late 1970s and early 1980s.

His testimony here was apparently part of his defence strategy of admitting to the first, and lesser, of the two charges.

Also on trial for their alleged role in the scheme to circumvent West German laws in supplying Pakistan with the technology are physicist Peter Finke, 46, and former Max Planck Institute chemist Heinrich Weichselgartner, 55.

Tritium gas is rich in radioactive isotopes necessary for producing nuclear explosive devices. Ortmayer, who also faces fraud and tax evasion charges, said he was aware that the export of tritium was illegal.

He said his connections with his Pakistani partners were conducted via the Pakistani embassy in Paris, then through cover addresses and finally via courier to Pakistan's embassy in Bonn.

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#90253d2320 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT 10) - Amid widespread satisfaction at Sunday's Helsinki summit, Nato foreign ministers met to discuss the Gulf crisis Monday and agreed to make more ships and aircraft available to help the U.S. troop deployment.

But a U.S. request that the allies themselves send troops met with no positive response, despite Nato secretary-General Manfred Woerner saying member states could and should do more to ensure that the economic blockade of Iraq was made ''watertight''.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said that Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and the exiled Kuwait government were making 12 billion dollars available by the end of the year - half for the U.S. troop deployment and half for ''frontline'' Egypt and Turkey.

There was generally positive reaction throughout Europe and the moderate Arab states to Sunday's Helsinki summit between U.S. President George Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

Iraq reacted by sharply attacking Bush and indirectly criticising Gorbachev. The Iraqi News Agency Ina quoted a Baghdad spokesman as saying Bush had shown his ''hatred for the Arab nation'' by rejecting a linking of the Gulf crisis and the Palestinian question.

Thousands of demonstrators marched in Baghdad to protest against the Western military presence in the Gulf region.

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#90253d2400 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 10) - Pakistan's caretaker Prime Minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi will visit Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates September 12-15,

official sources said Monday.

Although billed as a pilgrimage, his visit to Saudi Arabia is likely to include talks with Saudi leaders on the Gulf situation

Observers here expect Jatoi to ask the Saudis to make up for the economic hardships suffered by Pakistan as a result of the crisis triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Pakistan faces an increase of 600 million dollars in its oil bill in addition to 300 million dollars in lost remittances by Pakistani workers returning home from Kuwait and Iraq and 100 million dollars in lost trade with the two countries.

Islamabad has been encouraged to seek aid following assistance provided by Saudi Arabia and the United States to Egypt, Jordan and Turkey, the observers said.

Riyadh has already agreed to sell 60,000 barrels of crude oil per day and 160,000 tons of petroleum products to Pakistan at the same price Pakistan used to pay Kuwait.

Petroleum Minister Majid Malik told reporters on return from Riyadh Monday that the price of petrol would not be increased at the present time.

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#90253d2450 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 10) - The 12 EEC countries and Iran are "very close to an agreement" to resolve the Salman Rushdie affair, Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis said here Monday.

The British author was condemned to death in February 1989 by Iran's late spiritual leader the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, for his novel The Satanic Verses, considered blasphemous by many Moslems.

Mr. De Michelis made the statement at a press conference following a meeting between foreign ministers from Ireland, Italy and Luxembourg and United States Secretary of State James Baker.

Italy currently presides the European Economic Community.

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#90253d2470 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) - Iraq has denied the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) access to aid victims of the Gulf crisis in Iraq and Iraqi-controlled Kuwait, the American Red Cross said here Monday.

ICRC President Cornelio Sommaruga met with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and other Iraqi officials during a three-day visit to Baghdad last week, said American Red Cross spokeswoman Ann Stingle,

The Geneva-based ICRC had sought to aid foreign nationals being held hostage in the two countries, as well as foreigners free to leave but lacking the means to do so.

It had also sought to aid any Iraqi or Kuwaiti civilians in need, and any Kuwaiti prisoners of war.

Within the framework of the Geneva conventions, the ICRC has the right to assist foreign nationals displaced by international conflicts and to ensure the personal security of prisoners of war.

Iraq gave no reason for rejecting the Red Cross requests, Ms. Stingle said.

Mr. Sommaruga expressed regret that the Red Cross was not being allowed to fulfill its humanitarian mandate, Ms. Stingle said.

The ICRC first approached Iraq "immediately after the invasion" of Kuwait August 2, and senior ICRC staff have been in Baghdad since August 20, she said, adding the ICRC would press its efforts to provide aid.

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#90253d2590 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONNMOSCOW (SEPT. 10) - West Germany and the Soviet Union have reached a compromise on financing the withdrawal of Soviet troops from East Germany, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said Monday.

The Soviet Union had insisted on an agreement before committing itself to signing a document covering the external aspects of German unification. The document is due to signed on Wednesday.

''I don't think we'll argue about the sum anymore,'' Shevardnadze said in Moscow. ''Basic agreement has been reached.''

The Soviets had requested more than 11 million dollars from Bonn to help pay for the maintenance of 360,000 Soviet troops and 200,000 dependants in East Germany, their withdrawal by 1994 and the construction of 36,000 flats for the returnees. Bonn's last offer had been about 4.4 million dollars.

According to West German government spokesman Dieter Vogel, a telephone conversation between Chancellor Helmut Kohl and President Mikhail Gorbachev earlier Monday had failed to produce an agreement.

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#90253d2690 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BOBIGNY, France (SEPT 10) - The British National Union of Miners (NUM) and the International Miners' Organisation (IMO) have settled their dispute over funds donated from the Soviet Union, the IMO said here Monday.

IMO secretary-general Alain Simon said the two sides had agreed that the IMO would make a donation to the NUM from its "international solidarity fund".

It is understood this was to compensate the NUM for the fact that it had not received the Soviet donation.

The decision came after a near three-hour meeting at IMO headquarters here near Paris attended by Arthur Scargill, president of both the NUM and the IMO, and four NUM investigators.

No figure was given for the donation. In return, the NUM agreed to stop legal action against the international miners' union. The agreement must still be ratified by both unions.

The trouble between the two miners' unions was sparked by a donation of about 1.5 million pounds (2.8 million dollars) made five years ago by Soviet miners to support the British mining strike of 1984-85.

According to a recent independent investigation into NUM finances, the money ended up in IMO-controlled bank accounts instead of being used to help the British miners and their families. The NUM, however, claimed that the money had been intended for the exclusive use of British mineworkers.

The London-based industrial newsletter Soviet Labour Review said earlier this year that a Soviet mineworker had lodged a complaint with Scotland Yard alleging theft, forgery and false accounting in the handling of the money.

Subsequently, the NUM succeeded in obtaining High Court writs against Mr. Scargill, NUM secretary-general Peter Heathfield and the IMO to freeze the IMO's assets.

An IMO official said in July that Mr. Scargill, the focus of the complaint, was "in the clear".

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#90253d2780 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT 10) - The Soviet Union and West Germany on Monday reached

agreement on financing the withdrawal of Soviet troops from German soil, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said.

"We are no longer disputing the figures," Mr. Shevardnadze told journalists here. "The agreement in principle has been reached.... We have reached a decision of compromise, a reasonable decision."

Mr. Shevardnadze declined to give the precise figure that West Germany will pay to finance the Soviet military withdrawal from East Germany.

"What is important is that we have agreed," the foreign minister said.

As of Sunday the two countries apparently remained far apart on the cost to West Germany of financing the withdrawal, including the construction or paying for the contruction of housing for troops returning to the Soviet Union.

Der Spiegel magazine said Moscow was asking for 18 billion Deutsche marks (11.2 billion dollars) over a four-year period, while West German Finance Minister Theo Waigel was reportedly proposing seven billion marks (4.3 billion dollars).

Mr. Shevardnadze made his comments Monday to correspondents of press agencies of the six countries to take part in Two-Plus-Four talks here Wednesday -- the two Germanies and the World War II allies: the United States, Soviet Union, France and Britain.

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MOSCOW (SEPT 10) - The Supreme Soviet, the Soviet Union's parliament, is to discuss Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov's plan for a ''regulated market economy'', it was reported here Monday.

Observers said the announcement, by the Soviet Interfax news agency, meant a full debate would now be held between pro-Ryzhkov conservatives and ''progressives''favouring economist Stanislav Shatalin's accelerated programme for the Soviet Union to introduce a free market economy.

Interfax quoted Ryzhkov as saying he would ''perhaps analyse individual passages of the Shatalin programme''.

But observers said it was clear that vigorous debate could be expected during the two-day session dealing with the the subject.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and other leaders have been trying to getthe country's individual republics to accept a fusion of the two economic systems.

At recent meetings, national parliaments such as the Russian parliament presideded over by reformer Boris Yeltsin have made clear they favour a rapid transition to the free market economy.

Leningrad governing mayor Anatoly Zobtshchak said after a recent meeting of reformist politicians that the general view was Ryzhkov should seek a vote of confidence in the Supreme Soviet before trying to get his ideas approved.

''We simply do not have the right to keep in power a government which has proved its inability to lead the country out of a crisis,'' he said.

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KATHMANDU (SEPT 10) - King Birendra of Nepal Monday received the draft of a new constitution giving the landlocked Himalayan kingdom multi-party democracy after 30 years of partyless rule.

The draft was presented by Supreme Court Justice Biswanath Upadhyay, chairman of a special panel set up by the monarch three months ago to draw up the document.

The king, who had enjoyed absolute powers under the old system, promised to promulgate the constitution as soon as it had been endorsed by Prime Minister Krishna Prasad Bhattarai's government.

The constitution was drawn up after a pro-democracy revolt spearheaded by the Nepali Congress Party and the United Left Front led to Birendra lifting a ban on political parties and installing Bhattarai's coalition government.

It refers to Nepal as a ''Hindu constitutional monarchial state'' under which sovereignty has been transferred to the people who will be the source of state power and enjoy freedom of religion.

Upadhyay said there would be a two-tier parliamentary system comprising a 60-seat state council and a house of representatives with 175 members.

Election for the house of representatives will take place every five years while the upper house will be a permanent feature with one third of the 60 members rotating every two years.

Upadhyay said political parties must gain at least five per cent of the vote for parliamentary representation and would have to abide by democratic principles.

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#90253d2930 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
THE HAGUE (SEPT 10) - Indian Foreign Minister Inder Kumal Gujral spoke out in favour of an Arab solution to the Gulf crisis during a short visit to the Netherlands Monday.

''The crisis ought to be solved by the regional powers themselves, and peacefully,'' he said.

Gujral, who met with Dutch Prime Minister Ruud Lubbers and Foreign Minister Hans van den Broek during his stay, said he also pressed the Dutch government to find a speedy solution within the European Community to the plight of the many Indian and Asian refugees in camps along the Iraqi-Jordanian border.

The Europeans should provide them with more medicine and food, he said.

Gujral said that of the approximately 182,000 Indians who were living in Iraq and Kuwait before the Gulf crisis began, only 30,000 have returned home.

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#90253d2990 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (SEPT 10) - The European Economic Community (EEC) has invited all Arab League countries, except Iraq, to a ministerial meeting in Venice on October 7 and 8, Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis said here Monday.

"We want to prove that we can hold discussions with all the Arab countries " he said at a press conference. The Arab League comprises 21 countries. The meeting is expected to focus on the Gulf crisis.

Mr. De Michelis said the invitation was a "political initiative" involving a "redistribution" of functions between the United States and the EEC that had the approval of Washington.

Italy holds the current presidency of the 12-member EEC, until the end of the year.

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#90253d3080 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HONG KONG (SEPT 10) (AFP) - Pizza Hut, a subsidiary of Pepsico Food Service International, took a bite of the China pie Monday, opening its first chain in a country still getting used to the taste of Kentucky Fried Chicken.

The million-dollar joint venture between Hong Kong-based Amit Ltd. and Beijing International Business Service Corp. will offer pizza to Beijing residents with a maximum price of 29 yuan (six dollars).

The two-story restaurant is near one of the capital's downtown foreign residential areas and seats 180, New China News Agency reported in a dispatch monitored here.

The joint venture will extend over 15 years and holds the exclusive rights issued by Pizza Hut to operate the restaurant.

Pizza Hut plans to open a second restaurant in Beijing soon, the agency quoted William Heinecke, chairman of Amit, as saying at the opening ceremony attended by local officials, U.S. Ambassador James Lilley, and Pepsico executives.

He said that many ingredients for the restaurant would be supplied locally -- mozarella cheese and spices will be imported -- with the eventual goal of 100 percent local content.

Kentucky Fried Chicken is the only other American fast-food chain operating in China, and is doing brisk business at several restaurants in the capital, one near the mausoleum of Mao Zedong.

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#90253d3090 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 10) - At least 19 persons were killed and 20 injurd by a typhoon which swept China's east coast province of Fujian, the official Xinhua news agency reported Monday.

It said Typhoon ''Dot'' had damaged thousands of homes and uprotted trees and electricity poles in the stricken region during the past three days.

The typhoon was the fourth to hit the region in three weeks. The earlier storms claimed 350 lives and injured 1,000.

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#90253d3120 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 10) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,732.50 (1,630.00) 1,598.50 (1,554.50)
Lead 453.50 (454.00) 456.25 (456.50)

Zinc Sh 1,607.50 (1,607.50) 1,513.50 (1,506.00)
Tin 5,780.00 (5,795.00) 5,895.00 (5,907.50)
Aluminium 2,093.00 (2,007.00) 2,029.50 1,971.00)
Nickel 11,425.00 (11,150.00) 11,125.00 (10,875.00)

(the last three in dollars pro ton)

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#90253d3170 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 10) - Average daily turnover of foreign exchange activities in Singapore climbed by almost 25 percent to total 74 billion U.S. dollars in the first five months of 1990, an annual report said Monday.

The 1989-90 report by the Singapore Foreign Exchange Committee said the figure was up sharply from the 60 billion U.S. dollars registered in the first five months of 1989.

The report, citing a February survey published by Swiss-based Bank for International Settlements, said Singapore now ranked fifth in the world in foreign exchange turnover and was destined to become an increasingly important financial centre.

It said that Singapore was behind Britain, the United States, Japan and Switzerland in terms of overall turnover and second only to Britain in non-local-currency transactions.

The committee said Singapore would play an important role in Asia, which accounts for 37 per cent of the turnover of the world's 10 largest financial centres.

Chairman Lim Ho Kee said Singapore was well placed to tap the financial business arising from development and rapid growth of regional economies.

He added that with continuing financial deregulation and rapid growth of regional economies, new opportunities had arisen. More sophisticated products such as options, futures, forward rate agreements and interest rate swaps will grow in importance.

"Our niche is our market-making ability, which provides much of the liquidity to the regional markets," Mr. Lim said.

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#90253d3190 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 10) - Holders of dollar-denominated bonds of struggling Bond Corporation failed to provide enough votes to approve sale of the

company's Australian brewing assets here Monday.

The meeting was adjourned until September 27 due to lack of a quorum, and the news represents a further hitch in the Australian company's long-running attempt to sell the assets to Bell Resources Limited, seen as a vital part of the fight to save the company from receivership.

Dollar bond holders are to meet again on September 27, and only two bondholders will need to be present to approve the sale, provided a 75 percent majority of in-person and proxy votes is achieved.

Approval on September 27, which Bond director Peter Lucas said after the meeting would be "more or less automatic", will also pave the way for company chairman Alan Bond to step down.

Mr. Bond offered his resignation on July 19 at an earlier meeting of holders of sterling- and dollar-denominated bonds here, as part of a package of measures to persuade the bondholders to accept the sale along with a 12-month moratorium on their interest payments.

Holders of sterling-denominated bonds voted on August 9 to approve the assets sale.

Both sterling and dollar bondholders will meet November 30.to vote on the interest moratorium, having so far failed to arrive at the required majority.

Mr. Lucas said that Mr. Bond's resignation as chairman will take place "in the not too far distant future. It's a case of watch this space".

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#90253d3220 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (SEPT 10) - Afghan President Naibullah Monday ordered the release of some 223 prisoners, state television said.

The latest batch released from Kabul's dreaded Pule-e-Charki prison brought the total number of prisoners freed by Mr. Najibullah so far this to 774, the television said.

It did not say if those released were political detainees or common criminals.

Officials, however, said many of them belonged to the mujahedeen fighting Mr. Najibullah's Soviet-backed government.

Mr. Najibullah ordered the release of 130 prisoners 10 days ago on the grounds that their crimes were not "heinous enough" in what observers said

was a move aimed at boosting his domestic popularity.

Afghanistan's secret police incarcerated thousands of people after the 1979 Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan.

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#90253d3510 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (SEPT 10) - Louis Awad, one of the greatest Egyptian thinkers of the late 20th Century, died of cancer Sunday in a Cairo hospital. He was 75.

Mr. Awad, a journalist, linguist and philosopher who first achieved fame as a professor of English literature, published more than 50 often controversial works centred on Egyptian history and the country's links with Arab culture.

He ruffled feathers with his theory that Egyptian culture took its roots from Pharaonic and Mediterranean rather than Arab societies and was also attacked by Moslem figures for his work on the origins of the Arabic language.

Mr. Awad was born into a Coptic family in upper Egypt and studied at Cairo University, Cambridge, England, and Princeton in the United States.

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#90253d3640 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT 10) - Iraq on Monday denied Cairo press reports that it was forcibly enrolling Egyptians into its armed forces and the paramilitary popular army, saying they were joining up of their own free will.

"Egyptians working in Iraq are free to do what they want, and those who joined the popular army did so freely, by Arab nationalism," the Iraqi News Agency, monitored here, quoted an Iraqi embassy official as saying in Cairo.

The official also denied that Baghdad had blocked the repatriation of Egyptian earnings but admitted there was a delay in transfers owing to the freezing of Iraqi assets abroad after the invasion of Kuwait.

He said Baghdad "has never waivered from its pledge made at the end of 1989 to pay 45 million dollars every month as back-earnings" to Egyptian workers who returned home before the Gulf crisis.

Hundreds of thousands of Egyptian workers left Iraq last year having lost their jobs because of the end of the 1980-1988 Iran-Iraq war.

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#90253d3660 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT 10) - The International Cocoa Organisation (ICCO) opened a five-day meeting here Monday aimed at deciding on the organisation's future, ICCO spokeswoman Angela Pryor said.

The meeting will define the organisation's future role in such fields as research and promotion of consumption, she added.

The ICCO has already decided to extend for two years from October the 1986 international cocoa agreement, but without its economic clauses.

In February 1988 the organisation halted price stabilisation operations under the 1986 agreement because of financial problems and internal disagreements.

This week's meeting is also to discuss the possible transfer of the ICCO headquarters, after the lease on its current site in a central London building expires in May.

Traders are not expecting the meeting to affect cocoa prices, running at 734 pounds a tonne in London on Monday afternoon after closing at 733 pounds on Friday.

Prices had fallen as low as 618 pounds a tonne at the beginning of the year, their lowest since 1975, largely due to production far outstripping consumption.

Their recovery in recent months was a result of prospects of a fall in the surplus.

In its latest report published in August, the ICCO predicted that production in the year to October would exceed consumption for the sixth year in a row, but this time the surplus would be only about 150,000 tonnes, down from 304,000 tonnes last season.

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#90253d3720 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT 10) - The U.N. Security Council's sanctions committee was due to meet late Monday to discuss requests for aid from countries which are suffering severely from the U.N.-mandated economic sanctions against Iraq.

The committee, which comprises representatives of each of the 15 current members of the Security Council, is expected to put together a resolution calling for emergency aid to Jordan which has been hard hit by the influx

of thousands of refugees from Iraq and Iraqi-occuped Kuwait.

So far, some 106 members of the United Nations have stated they will honor the U.N. embargo. This includes nine countries that have stated they are suffering economic difficulties because of the embargo.

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#90253d3960 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (SEPT 10) - Deposed prime minister Benazir Bhutto Monday blasted the Pakistan government after it petitioned a special court here to charge her with abuse of power and disqualify her from next month's elections.

The government brought two cases against Ms. Bhutto here more than a month after she was fired and parliament dissolved by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, who accused her 20-month-old government of corruption and mismanagement.

If convicted, Ms. Bhutto, 37, could be disqualified from participating in elections for seven years and sentenced to up to one year in jail.

Speaking at a press conference Ms. Bhutto said the charges against her were "deplorable," adding: "After dissolving my assembly and setting up special courts to try me, the president has become a judge, jury and executioner."

"The charges are without basis and will be challenged ... (they) simply discredit the president further in his pursuit of a political vendetta," she said, adding that she wanted to take part in the planned October 24 elections.

"We don't want to boycott them and we hope no such situation will arise," she said, announcing the formation of a People's Deomcratic Alliance (PDA) to contest the polls.

The PDA will group Ms. Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party (PPP) with the small leftist parties Tehrik Isteqall, Tehrik Nifaz Fiqah Jafria and the Qasim group of what was previously the main opposition party, the Pakistan Moslem League.

Ms. Bhutto said the government's move was intended to intimidate her before she submitted candidate papers here early Tuesday for the first of five seats she would contest in next month's elections.

The former prime minister also called for the setting up of a judicial commission of supreme court judges to look into the conduct of all presidents and prime ministers since 1985.

The government has set up special courts to try former government officials

for alleged misconduct.

Seven of Ms. Bhutto's ministers have already been charged with embezzling government funds and illegally securing loans from state-owned banks.

Ms. Bhutto also called for the setting up of a judicial commission of supreme court judges to look into the conduct of all presidents and prime ministers since 1985.

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#90253d4030 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (SEPT 10) - Some 10,000 oil industry workers went on a 48-hour strike Monday as part of a series of industrial actions to protest the government's freezing of salaries.

Some 35,000 bank employees had already announced they would start an indefinite strike Tuesday unless the authorities agreed to a new salary package.

Next Friday, it is the turn of teachers, with some 80,000 planning a 24-hour walk-out to protest the austerity measures of the new government headed by President Alberto Fujimori.

Union leaders attached to the communist and opposition centrist parties will meet Thursday to coordinate their industrial action in protest of the austerity program, while representatives of 60,000 miners and 500,000 civil servants are planning similar strategy meetings this week.

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#90253d4360 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 10) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait last month was intended to be the harbinger of a larger invasion aimed at capturing Saudi oil fields and dividing the booty with other Arab leaders, a U.S. congressman said here Monday.

Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait "was a precursor to a move on the Saudi oil fields," said Representative Les AuCoin, who visited the Gulf last week as part of a U.S. congressional fact-finding mission.

"It was an operation far more ambitious than Kuwait," he said.

Mr. AuCoin said Arab leaders told his delegation of "conversations Saddam Hussein had with other Arab leaders outside Saudi Arabia to buy into this."

"They were talking about splitting the spoils," he said, adding that the other Arab leaders had rejected Mr. Hussein's plan.

"I am convinced if it had not been for the early (U.S.) military buildup ... the Iraqis would have marched right beyond the Saudi border and seized the Saudi Arabian oil fields," Mr. AuCoin said.

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#90253d4490 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (SEPT 10) - The Israeli shekel, under renewed pressure due to the Gulf crisis, tumbled on local markets Monday as the central bank applied a new policy allowing the currency wider margins of fluctuation.

The shekel lost 2.8 per cent of its value against the dollar, falling to 2.08 to the greenback from 2.02 Sunday, and slipped 1.5 per cent against a basket of five major currencies, the central bank said.

The latest selling spree came a day after the government announced that the shekel would be allowed to rise or fall by 10 per cent against the reference basket, rather than the five per cent range permitted since March.

The move was falsely interpreted Sunday by Israeli radio, quoting Finance Minister Yitzhak Modai, as a 10 per cent devaluation against the basket, formed by the dollar, Deutsche mark, French franc, pound sterling and Japanese yen.

But analysts here noted that allowing the unit to fall by 10 per cent against the basket was being seen in the market as an invitation to sell and the currency was likely to hit its new floor by the end of the week.

The shekel had been under pressure for several days as individual and corporate Israeli savers, fearing an imminent devaluation due to the Gulf crisis, rushed to buy dollars and other foreign currencies.

The crisis and its effect on oil prices has hit Israel's inflation-racked economy hard. In July Israel could still buy Egyptian crude at 13 dollars a barrel, but must now pay the world market price of around 30 dollars.

After money markets closed Monday, the government's statistics bureau announced that the trade deficit for the first eight months of the year had widened by 25 per cent from a year earlier to 2.06 billion dollars.

The bureau laid much of the blame on the sharp increase in oil prices.

Even before the Gulf crisis, the economy was already being stretched by the massive influx of Soviet Jewish immigrants, which has sharply increased housing rates and unemployment and dug deep into the government's budget.

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#90253d4590 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OTTAWA (SEPT 10) - Canada has more to lose than to gain if it does not participate in talks between Mexico and the United States on a free-trade zone, the Royal Bank said in a report made public Monday.

"Canada can ill afford to stand aloof while current discussions take place between the United States and Mexico, which could reshape North American trade and investments flows," said Alex Thomson, a Royal Bank economist.

The United States and Mexico met last June to discuss the free-trade zone but have not ruled out Canada's participation. An accord is targeted for 1993.

Several Canadian organizations have argued that a such a zone would put thousands of Canadians out of work due to the cost of cheap Mexican labor.

But Mr. Thomson pointed out that "the cost of labor is just one aspect of a country's ability to compete and Mexico is hamstrung by a number of problems such as government meddling, absenteeism and poor transportation and communications."

Canada, on the other hand, has a highly-qualified workforce, a modern economic structure, an efficient economic system and motivated and competent administrators, the report said.

A free-trade zone stretching from Canada to Mexico with 360 million consumers would pose formidable competition to an integrated European Economic Community and the new industrialized countries of Asia, said the bank.

"Canada may not experience dramatic immediate gains from the addition of Mexico to a North American trading system, but it could nevertheless lose much by not being included," said Mr. Thomson.

The report noted the similarity between Canadian and Mexican exports to the United States, including automobile products, industrial machinery, metalwork, textiles, petrochemicals and paper products.

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#90253d4620 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WEST BERLIN (SEPT 11) - Former U.S. President Ronald Reagan, 79, arrived Tuesday in West Berlin for talks with West Berlin Mayor Walter Momper and West German parliamentary speaker, Rita Suessmuth on Wednesday.

A day later Reagan, accompanied by his wife Nancy, was due to fly to Bonn

for talks with President Richard von Weizsaecker and Chancellor Helmut Kohl before continuing on Friday to Warsaw. The Reagans have also been invited to Moscow by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

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#90253d4680 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT 11) - Natural gas supplies from Azerbaijan to neighbouring Armenia were resumed Monday, the official Soviet news agency Tass reported.

Due to ethnic conflicts between Azeris and Armenians, the pipelines to Armenia had been shut down August 20 for the second time this year.

The blockade seriously damaged the Armenian economy, according to Tass quoting a report in the daily Izvestia. Among other things Armenia was unable to produce 450 tons of cellulose acetate needed by all Soviet tobacco factories. It would have been enough to produce 350 million cigarette filters.

Meanwhile tension rose again in the Armenian-populated Nagorno Karabakh region within Azerbaijan.

Tass said interior ministry troops detained 19 militants after Armenians occupied communist party buildings in three districts and damaged two monuments of Vladimir I. Lenin, founder of the Soviet state.

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#90253d4720 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BALTIMORE, Maryland (SEPT 10) - A group of 161 weary evacuees from Iraq and Kuwait arrived here Monday to a festive welcome.

The returnees, most of them women and children, were part of a group of 438 former hostages who arrived at London late Sunday on a flight from Baghdad.

State officials wore yellow ribbons, the symbol used for awaited hostages, and customs tables where the former hostages were processed were decorated in red, white and blue, the U.S. national colors.

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#90253d4920 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MEXICO CITY, (SEPT. 11) - The Mexican Finance Ministry Monday announced it would auction 1.5 billion dollars in bonds as part of its continuing debt-for-equity swaps.

Some of the bonds will go toward reducing debt restructured with commercial banks in February and some will go toward facilitating the sale of

state-owned firms, the ministry said in a statement.

Under the February accord, some 460 creditor banks holding 48.5 billion dollars in Mexican debt agreed to a three-option debt-reduction plan under which they could: exchange the Mexican debt for bonds with a fixed interest of 6.25 per cent; make new loans equal to a fourth of their outstanding medium- and long-term debt; or swap the debt for bonds giving Mexico a 35 per cent reduction in debt principal.

The government suspended debt-for-equity swaps in late 1988, because officials feared the program was fueling inflation.

In March, after the government announced the resumption of the program, the ministry said the new bonds would eliminate the inflationary effects of the previous swaps.

The Finance Ministry set a September 24 deadline for proposals for infrastructure projects to be included in the swap.

In the July auction, during which the government exchanged one billion dollars of debt for bonds, officials received 150 eligible proposed projects, but only 22 obtained the right to participate, said Deputy Finance Minister Jose Angel Gurria.

The ministry said a total of 3.5 billion dollars of Mexico's foreign debt had been approved for the swap program from 1989 to 1992.

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#90253d4930 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Rio de Janeiro (SEPT. 11) - President Fernando Collor de Mello urged his 145 million fellow Brazilians Monday to ''save money, buy only what you absolutely need and haggle in the shops'', in order to fight inflation in Latin America's biggest country.

Since Collor took office six months ago, the Brazilian government through a strict economy programme managed to reduce the annual inflation rate from 80 percent to near zero. But in the last few weeks inflation climbed again to 12 percent.

On Monday, the central bank withdrew the equivalent of 750 million dollars from the economy. It is planning to take as much 12 billion dollars out of circulation within the next few weeks.

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#90253d9250 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 10) - Japan and Britain issued a joint statement Monday

condemning Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and demanding Iraq's immediate withdrawal from the occupied Gulf country.

The statement, issued after a meeting between Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama and British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd, called on Iraq to comply fully with U.N. Security Council resolutions.

The British foreign secretary is here on a three-day visit to Japan through Tuesday.

Nakayama and Hurd agreed that it was essential for all countries to make ''the maximum possible contribution'' to the multi-national forces deployed in the Gulf, the document said.

The two ministers urged Baghdad to allow the free and rapid departure of all foreign nationals wanting to leave in accordance with U.N. Security Council Resolution 664.

In their talks, the two men also confirmed that their two nations would cooperate in three fields - support for East Europe, prevention of Earth warming and promotion of environmental protection and the furtherance of cultural exchanges.

In another joint release, the two countries agreed to join hands for the success of the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt).

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#90253d9480 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 10) - Yamaha Motor Co. said Monday it would start production of outboard marine engines at its Brazilian subsidiary to meet growing demand for pleasure boats in the Latin American country.

Japan's top motorcycle and outboard marine engine maker said it would intially produce 2,000 engines of 15 to 40 horsepower from next year at Yamaha Motor da Amazonia Ltda. in Manaus, Brazil.

The company plans to increase production to 3,000 units in three years.

The Brazilian subsidiary currently manufacturers motorcycle engines.

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#90253d9590 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (SEPT. 10) - Taiwan's unemployment rate jumped to 1.96 per cent in July from 1.67 per cent in June, the highest level in 33 months, reflecting sagging exports and an economic slowdown on the island, a government report

said Monday.

The indicator was close to the two per cent level which the Council of Labor Affairs has warned would mean the beginning of social and economic instability, according to the report by the Directorate General of Budget, Accounting and Statistics.

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#90253d9610 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (SEPT. 10) - Indonesia has agreed to a South Korean request to sell oil to Seoul on a long term basis from November, the Mines and Energy Ministry said here Monday.

Indonesia promised to meet the request for 50,000 barrels per day (bpd) from South Korea at the annual meeting of the Joint Committee for Mineral Resources and Energy Cooperation which concluded in Seoul on Saturday, according to the agreed minutes released here.

Indonesia however could only start entering into a long term contract after November, when additional crude production came on stream, it said, adding that all current output had already been committed to exports.

Indonesia has announced that it will raise its crude oil output from around 1.30 million bpd at the end of last month to 1.37 million in November and 1.41 million in December. Indonesia currently exports about 700,000 bpd of its oil, about half of them to Japan and the rest to the spot markets.

In return for Jakarta's commitment, South Korea had agreed to double its purchase of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) from Indonesia by entering into a new long term purchase contract.

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#90253d9620 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PESHAWAR, PAKISTAN (SEPT. 10) - Pakistani police Monday sent teams into the northwestern tribal area of Dir in their hunt for a Canadian missionary kidnapped at gunpoint Sunday from Peshawar, a senior police official said.

Special teams were dispatched to the semi-autonomous tribal belt bordering Afghanistan, the official said.

He said three armed men abducted Paul Campbell Murdoch, 37, from the city's upmarket University Town district Sunday morning as he was returning home after dropping his children off at the mission school.

The men chased Mr. Murdoch in a car before capturing him and forcing him at gunpoint into their vehicle, the official said.

Police found the Canadian's abandoned car on a canal road on the outskirts of the city, he added.

He quoted eyewitnesses as saying the kidnappers' car was registered in Dir.

The Canadian embassy confirmed the incident and said Mr. Murdoch, treasurer of the Evangelical Lutheran Mission in Peshawar, had arrived in Pakistan in 1988.

The police official said nobody had claimed responsibility for the kidnapping and the abductors' motive was unknown, although sources here said Mr. Murdoch, as a Christian missionary, may have angered local Moslems.

The local director of a humanitarian organization called SERVE, John Tarzwell, 32, of Alberta, Ontario, disappeared in Pakistan in November 1989 and has not yet been found.

-30- 1601

#90253d9630 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 10) - A U.S. businessman has been arrested for allegedly attempting to smuggle gold and diamond jewelry worth about 1.2 million dollars into Thailand, Thai customs said on Monday.

Gad Shapiro, who arrived on Thursday from Singapore, was arrested after customs men discovered 73 pieces of jewelery, including gold rings, diamond studded brooches and cut diamonds weighing 559 carats.

Mr. Shapiro, whose hometown was not immediately known, has traveled throughout Asia and has passed through Thailand at least five times.

Police said under the Thai Customs Act, Mr. Shapiro faced having to pay four times the value of the jewelry plus tax and fines, or serve a 10-year prison term, or both.

-30- 901

#90253d9650 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (SEPT. 10) - Israel has devalued its currency, the shekel, by 10 percent against a basket of international currencies, Finance Minister Yitzhak Modai announced late Sunday.

According to the Bank of Israel, the dollar would be exchanged at the new rate of 2.40 shekels. Other exchange rates will be detailed on Monday, he said.

The value of the shekel is determined by a basket of foreign currencies, including the U.S. dollar, Deutsche mark, Japanese yen, pound Sterling and French franc.

Officials of the Histadrut, Israel's syndicate of labor unions, have said the devaluation would trigger major price rises.

-30- 792

#90253d9660 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (SEPT. 10) - An Iraqi Airlines Boeing 747 brought another 438 women and children from Iraq to London late Sunday.

The weary but smiling foreign nationals, all of whom had been held in Kuwait since the August 2 Iraqi invasion, were greeted by British State Secretary William Waldegrave as they arrived shortly before midnight after the six-and-a-half-hour flight from Baghdad.

On board were 186 Britons, 165 Americans and 32 Irish nationals.

Exhausted from their ordeal, only a few of those arriving were willing to talk with journalists. An 18-year-old English woman said she had been interrogated by Iraqi troops just before departure.

''They threatened to prevent me from flying unless I told them where my father was hiding. I finally had to tell them where he was,'' she said.

She said she later heard that her father had been taken to Baghdad. She added that she had been in Kuwait visiting her father, who has worked there for eight years.

Other women expressed concern for the safety of husbands and fathers left behind.

''We assume they've been taken to military installations,'' said a woman from Northern Ireland. ''But nobody at the embassies seems to know much about what has happened to them.''

-30- 1433

#90253d9820 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 10) - Japan's top steelmaker, Nippon Steel Corp. (NSC), said here Monday that it would start to market portable computers in the United States in November.

It has granted 15 million dollars in funding for its new U.S. subsidiary established last May to promote the sale of the computer, measuring 21.3 x 29.7 x 5.0 centimeters (8.5 x 12 x two inches) and weighing 2.8 kilograms

(six pounds), NEC officials said.

The target of sales in the U.S. market is 10 billion yen (71 million dollars) for the initial year, with the amount trebling a few years later, they said.

-30- 782

#90253d9880 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (SEPT. 10) - The government intends to end its monopoly in telecommunications and allow private competition against a giant government-owned merger, Prime Minister Bob Hawke said Monday.

He told reporters that his Labor government had decided to merge its domestic network, Telecom, with its international network, OTC.

The government would sell the debt-ridden satellite carrier Aussat to help form the basis for private competition against the TelecomOTC giant, Mr. Hawke said after a lengthy cabinet debate.

The decision, like that to sell equity in the government-owned Qantas and Australian airlines, must be approved by a special Labor Party conference on September 24.

Official party policy opposes privatisation of key assets.

In a historic turnaround for Labor, Treasurer Paul Keating recently rammed through a plan to partially privatise the Commonwealth Bank.

The government announced the partial sale of the airlines on Thursday, also saying it would introduce "effective competition" into the telecommunications industry but maintain 100 per cent ownership of Telecom.

Mr. Hawke said the changes would result in consumers paying less for long-distance domestic calls and a ceiling being imposed on many local call prices.

"The decision we have taken now will introduce to Australia an effectively competitive system which will ensure the maximum acceleration of implementation of technology in a way that will be of benefit to consumers."

He said OTC would form the basis of Telecom's international arm and that both Telecom and its unnamed rival would also compete overseas.

Asked whether Aussat would form the basis of Telecom's competitor, Mr. Hawke said: "Yes."

He added that the new competitor "will ultimately be Australian owned."

At a joint news conference with Mr. Hawke, Communications Minister Kim Beazley declined to say what proportion of foreign equity would be allowed in Telecom's rival.

The plan to merge Telecom and OTC was devised by Mr. Beazley, who was believed to have proposed that a private and predominantly foreign-owned company be invited into direct competition with TelecomOTC -- which he dubbed Megacom.

Analysts said the TelecomOTC giant would be worth more than 20 billion Australian dollars (16.4 billion U.S.).

-30- 2522

#90253d9950 09/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Frankfurt (SEPT. 10) - West German consumption of petroleum products jumped 10.2 percent in the first half of 1990 in a development encouraged by cheap prices, it was reported here Monday.

The Federal Office of Industry said a total of 52.9 million tonnes of petroleum products were sold in West Germany in the first six months.

In particular, consumers of light heating oil took advantage of low prices to raise their purchases 39 percent to 15.8 million tons. Heavy heating oil sales rose only 3.2 percent to 3.4 million tons.

Petrol consumption increased only 2.2 percent to 13 million tons, while diesel fuel sales increased 3.5 percent to 8.5 million tons, the office reported.

-30- 876

#90253e0016 09/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

TOKYO (SEPT 10) EFE - Japan and Britain called Monday for "the maximum possible contribution of all countries" to multinational forces stationed in the Persian Gulf and for Iraq's immediate withdrawal from Kuwait.

Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama and British Foreign Minister Douglas Hurd signed the joint statement in Tokyo, condemning Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and calling on Baghdad to observe the United Nations charter and to respect Kuwait's territorial integrity.

The document called for the rigid application of United Nations economic sanctions against Iraq and a solution to the situation of refugees in Jordanian frontier camps.

Some 70,000 citizens of Bangladesh, the Philippines, Pakistan and Sri Lanka, who had immigrated to the Gulf nations in search of jobs, have fled to Jordan where they are waiting to be repatriated.

Japan and Britain demanded that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein release thousands of foriegn hostages being held against international laws and that he allow foreign embassies to function normally.

Hurd arrived in Tokyo Sunday to encourage the Japanese government to give more support to the Gulf crisis, following an initial donation of dlrs one billion to multinational forces and dlrs 22 million to the refugees.

Last Friday Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu promised U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicolas Brady that Tokyo would contribute all it could to help cover deployment costs in the Persian Gulf.

Kaifu has said that Japan's constitution, drawn up after the country's defeat in the Second World War, does not permit the use of the Armed Forces in such a crisis.

U.S. politicians have said the initial donation is not enough, given the trade and energy interests Japan has in the Middle East.

-30- 1983

#90253e0020 09/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (SEPT 10) EFE - Israeli soldiers shot dead an 18-year-old Palestinian during a clash with inhabitants of a town in the Occupied Territories, Israeli press reported Monday.

Citing Palestinian sources, the Israeli press said the young man was shot in the shoulder Sunday as he hurled stones at soldiers in the town of Beita al Fauqa in the occupied West Bank.

The Israeli Army was investigating the shooting which took place during a 24-hour general strike called Sunday in the West Bank and Gaza Strip to mark the 33rd month of protest against Israeli military rule.

The Israeli Army reinforced troops in the Occupied Territories after leaders of the popular Palestinian uprising, or intifada, last week called for increased protests.

Meanwhile, Israeli state radio reported a bomb, apparently planted by Arabs, exploded Monday in Tel Aviv's central train station.

No injuries were reported.

A second bomb planted on a truck carrying gas cylinders was defused Monday

in the Israeli city of Petah Tiqwa, 5 km east of Tel Aviv.

-30- 1242

#90253e0021 09/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BONN (SEPT 10) EFE - West German Defense Minister Gerhard Stoltenberg announced plans Monday to slash the number of troops in the future united Germany from 1.5 million to 500,000 by 1996.

The 1.5 million troops currently stationed in East and West Germany include those countries' armies, U.S., British, French and NATO troops and forces from the Soviet Red Army.

Stoltenberg said that by 1994 the 380,000-strong Soviet forces stationed in East Germany will have withdrawn, part of an agreement signed in July between West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

At the same time the minister pointed out that by 1994 Washington had promised to reduce its forces by 60,000 to 195,000, while London is set to half its 50,000 strong Army of the Rhine.

Stoltenberg added that negotiations would also soon be underway with Belgium, The Netherlands, Canada, and France on reducing their military presence in the united Germany.

He said he was satisfied however, that France would reduce its armed forces in Germany to 50,000 and that by the end of the 1990s the total number of foreign troops in Germany would drop to 150,000 to 170,000.

The integration of the East and West German Armed Forces was scheduled to be completed by the October 3 unification date, he added.

Of the 90,000-strong East German Nationale Volksarmee, Bonn plans to integrate around 50,000 soldiers into the united German Army, which will count on some 370,000 troops.

The new army will adopt the uniform of the present Bundeswehr, although it has yet to be decided which to which flag allegiance will be sworn.

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#90253e0022 09/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PANAMA (SEPT 10) EFE - U.S. Brigadier General William White Hartzog has been named the new head of the Panama-based Southern Command and will take up his post later this week, U.S. military officers said Monday.

Hartzog, 48, will take over Wednesday from Gen. Joseph Kinzer who

temporarily took charge of the post when former Southern Command head Gen. Marc Cisneros was assigned a new post in the United States in August.

Hartzog, who served in the U.S. forces during the war in Vietnam, is currently the Southern Command's operations chief.

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#90253e0029 09/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (SEPT. 10) EFE - Prices rose Monday on the Madrid stock exchange with the general index gaining 4.93 points to close at 246.27.

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#90253f0621 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - The New York Yankees can no longer beat their old farm team.

The Oakland Athletics became the first team in history to sweep the season's series from the once-proud Bronx bombers when they won 7-3 Sunday in the 12th and final contest between the two this season.

The sweep has been accomplished by only four teams in modern history: Baltimore over Kansas City in 1970, the A's over the Orioles in 1978, and the Orioles over the Royals in 1988.

''Who doesn't want to be part of baseball history?'' asked Oakland Manager Tony La Russa rhetorically. ''It's something special.''

The final blow Sunday was applied by three ex-Yankees: Willie Randolph and Rickey Henderson scored the winning runs on a ninth-inning hit by Willie McGee. McGee had been traded by the Yankees as a farm hand and never played for the team in the majors.

''As a team, it's been a tremendous accomplishment,'' said Randolph. ''Obviously we had their number. We just did the right things at the right times. Each game is different. We just matched our pitching.''

The A's have won six games in a row on this road trip to open a 9 1-2 game lead over the Chicago White Sox. Most of the A's feel they have no weaknesses as a team - quite a reversal from the 1950s and 60s when the Yankees dominated baseball and the Athletics were New York's Triple- A farm team.

The Yankees have won 33 AL pennants and 22 World Series, more than any other club. They have also finished last, as they did in 1966 and as they may this year. But never had any Yankee or Highlander club ever lost all its games to an opponent in a single season.

''The Yankees are a team you like to get up for because when you were a kid you heard about them,'' Henderson said.

Dave Stewart, 19-10, lasted eight innings. Tim Leary, 8-18, went 8 1-3 innings.

With the score tied 3-3 in the ninth, Leary allowed a leadoff walk to Randolph. Randolph advanced on a groundout and Greg Cadaret replaced Leary. Cadaret fanned pinch-hitter Carney Lansford but walked Henderson to put men on first and second.

McGee drove the ball near the right-field wall, where Hall misjudged it and let it fall. Cadaret walked Jose Canseco and Harold Baines to re-load the bases. He was replaced by Eric Plunk, who allowed a two-run single to Mark McGwire.

''They are a good ballclub,'' Yankee Manager Stump Merrill said. ''I don't think there's any question about that. They can hurt you so many ways. They are not unbeatable, but you've got to play a hell of a lot better than we did to beat them.''

In other American League games, Seattle defeated Boston 3-1; Baltimore upped California 3-1; Toronto over Chicago 6-1; Cleveland routed Minnesota 12-9; Detroit blanked Milwaukee 5-0; and Texas edged Kansas City 6-5.

In the National League, it was Philadelphia 6, New York 2; Montreal 9, Pittsburgh 5; San Francisco 5, Houston 1; Los Angeles 6, Cincinnati 4; San Diego 5, Atlanta 4; and St. Louis 9, Chicago 2.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Mariners 3, Red Sox 1

At Boston, Matt Young tied a major-league record by striking out four in the first inning and scattered seven hits over seven innings, leading Seattle to a victory over Boston. Young improved to 8-14, and Bill Swift notched his fifth save. Boston's Joe Hesketh, making his first start since July 23, 1986, fell to 0-2. The feat - four strike outs - was the 21st time in major-league history the feat has been accomplished, the ninth time in the American League.

Blue Jays 6, White Sox 1

At Toronto, Fred McGriff and Greg Myers hit back-to-back homers in a four-run sixth inning, helping Toronto to a victory over Chicago. Jimmy Key, 10-7, was the winner as the Blue Jays pulled within 4 1/2 games of the first-place Boston Red Sox. Jack McDowell, 12-7, took the loss.

Indians 12, Twins 9

At Minneapolis, Candy Maldonado's tie-breaking two-run double capped a seven-run seventh inning, sending Cleveland to a triumph over Minnesota. Steve Olin, 3-4, pitched 4 1-3 innings of relief to pick up the win. Jack Savage, 0-2, suffered the loss.

Tigers 5, Brewers 0

At Milwaukee, Scott Aldred made his major league debut and led Detroit to a win over Milwaukee. Edwin Nunez pitched four innings to notch his fifth save. Bill Krueger fell to 5-8. He has not won since July 19. He is 0-3 in his last six starts.

Orioles 3, Angels 1

At Baltimore, Bill Ripken and Sam Horn drove in a run apiece, leading Baltimore to a victory over California and a sweep of their three-game series. Anthony Telford, 2-2, scattered five hits over 6 1-3 innings. Gregg Olson pitched the ninth for his 30th save. Kirk McCaskill, 11-10, suffered the loss.

Rangers 6, Royals 5

At Arlington, Texas, a four-pitch walk to Pete Incaviglia with the bases loaded and two out in the ninth inning scored Julio Franco and brought Texas a triumph over Kansas City. The win went to Brad Arnsberg, 6-1, the fourth Texas pitcher. Steve Farr, 10-7, was the loser.

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#90253f0622 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - Strikeouts are secondary to Los Angeles Dodgers pitcher Ramon Martinez when he's pitching in the heat of a pennant race.

''I'm not worrying about strikeouts, we need wins,'' Martinez said after he struck out eight batters to raise his NL-leading total to 200 in the Dodgers 6-4 victory over the Cincinnati Reds.

''We won't win the division on strikeouts.''

Martinez, 17-6, struggled in the first five innings, yielding a total of four runs on eight hits but finished the game. It was his ninth complete game this season in 29 starts, the most in the majors.

''I don't feel any pressure,'' the 22-year-old right-hander said. ''We needed that game and that was all I was thinking.

In the weekend series, the second-place Dodgers took two of three and moved within 5 1-2 games of the National League West leaders.

The Dodgers have 22 games left and both teams meet in Cincinnati for the final three encounters next weekend.

''(The victory) puts us in a better situation than we were before the series,'' Kal Daniels said. ''We have a lot of games to play and hopefully somebody else can beat up on the Reds. We have to look for some help and keep playing the kind of ball we're playing.

''They're no better than us. The first half of the season belonged to them the second half to us. It's going to go to the wire,'' Daniels said.

The Dodgers have a 35-23 record since the All-Star break. Meanwhile the Reds have a 29-31 record down the same stretch.

Rick Dempsey has experienced a lot of pennant races and knows what the Dodgers will have to do.

''We've got to bear down and play really hard,'' Dempsey said. ''We're getting the key hits when we need them. I only want to be in first place one day: the last day.''

For the Reds, first place looked like a lock in the first half of the season. Now it seems like they'll have to battle the Dodgers from overtaking them.

''No one said this was going to be easy,'' Reds Manager Lou Piniella said. ''We battled hard today. We scored four off Ramon, we should have come up with a win.''

Trailing 4-3, the Dodgers scored two times in the fifth to take a 5-4 lead on Dempsey's run-scoring single and Alfredo Griffin's perfect suicide squeeze bunt. The Dodgers made it 6-4 on Hubie Brooks solo home run in the seventh inning. It was Brooks 19th home run of the season. Brooks had two RBI in the game.

Danny Jackson, 5-4, gave up five runs - two unearned - on seven hits in five innings.

''Bad luck again,'' Jackson said. Jackson was making just his third start since coming off the disabled list twice in a row. ''I'm making the pitches, I'm just not getting the breaks. Things aren't going my way. I can't do anything about it, so I'll just keep going out there.''

So will the Dodgers.

In other National League games, Philadelphia downed New York 6-2, Montreal sunk Pittsburgh 9-5, San Francisco ripped Houston 5-1, San Diego scalped Atlanta in 11 innings 5-4 and St. Louis bashed Chicago 9- 2.

In the AL, it was: Oakland 7, New York 3; Seattle 3, Boston 1; Baltimore 3 California 1; Toronto 6, Chicago 1; Cleveland 12, Minnesota 9; Detroit 5, Milwaukee 0 and Texas 6, Kansas City 5.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Phillies 6, Mets 2

At Philadelphia, Dickie Thon doubled home the go-ahead run and pinch-hitter Darren Daulton singled in two more in a four-run seventh inning to rally Philadelphia and keep New York from gaining on first-place Pittsburgh. Pat Combs, 7-9, picked up the win. Joe Boever entered in the eighth to pick up his 12th save. Sid Fernandez fell to 9-12.

Expos 9, Pirates 5

At Pittsburgh, Mel Rojas, 2-1, pitched 3 2-3 innings of winning relief for injured starter Dennis Martinez and Delino DeShields drove in three runs to lead Montreal. Despite the loss, Pittsburgh retained a 3 1-2 game lead over second-place New York in the division. Bob Walk fell to 5-5. Rojas, replaced Martinez, when he was hit in the right clavicle by Wally Backman's comebacker.

Giants 5, Astros 1

At San Francisco, Kevin Mitchell drove in three runs with a two-run homer and a single and Mike LaCoss scattered seven hits over eight innings to lead San Francisco. LaCoss, improved to 6-3. Trevor Wilson pitched a scoreless ninth for his first save. Mark Portugal, 8-10, worked 7 1-3 innings for the loss.

Padres 5, Braves 4 (11 innings)

At San Diego, Garry Templeton's fielder's choice with one out in the 11th inning scored Phil Stephenson from third to lift San Diego. Kent Mercker, 4-4, took the loss. Eric Show, 5-8, pitched two scoreless innings to take the win.

Cardinals 9, Cubs 2

At Chicago, Felix Jose hit a solo homer and RBI single, while rookie Ray Lankford went 4 for 5 with a two-run single to pace St. Louis. John Tudor, 12-4, picked up the win in relief of Bryn Smith. Mike Bielecki, 7-10, took

the loss.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Nixon lf	4	2	2	1	Backman 2b	3	1	1	0
DaMartinz cf	3	1	1	1	CMartinez ph	1	0	0	0
Grissom lf	1	1	1	1	King 3b	5	1	2	3
DeShields 2b	5	0	2	3	Van Slyke cf	5	0	1	0
Wallach 3b	5	0	1	0	Bonilla rf	4	0	0	0
Walker rf	4	1	2	0	Bonds lf	4	2	3	1
Galarraga 1b	4	1	1	2	Bream 1b	2	0	1	0
Fitzgerald c	4	2	3	1	Redus 1b	1	0	0	0
Foley ss	4	0	2	0	LaValliere c	2	0	2	0
Roomes pr	0	1	0	0	Slaught c	0	1	0	0
Owen ss	0	0	0	0	Belliard ss	1	0	0	0
DeMartinez p	0	0	0	0	Carter ph	1	0	0	0
Rojas p	1	0	0	0	Bell ss	1	0	1	1
Sampen p	0	0	0	0	Walk p	0	0	0	0
Ruskin p	1	0	0	0	Palacios p	0	0	0	0
Burke p	0	0	0	0	Merced ph	1	0	0	0
Aldrete ph	1	0	0	0	Heaton p	0	0	0	0
Frey p	0	0	0	0	Cangelosi ph	1	0	0	0
					Bair p	0	0	0	0
					Ryal ph	1	0	0	0
					Kipper p	0	0	0	0
					Power p	0	0	0	0
					Patterson p	0	0	0	0
					McClendn ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	37	9	15	9	Totals	34	5	11	5

Montreal 022 001 004- 9
Pittsburgh 000 121 001- 5

LOB-Montreal 4, Pittsburgh 7. 2B-Walker, Fitzgerald, DeShields, Van Slyke. HR-Galarraga (18), Bonds (26), King (13), Fitzgerald (9). S-Rojas, Slaught. SF-Bell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
DeMartinez	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Rojas (W 2-1)	3 2-3	5	1	1	1	2
Sampen	1-3	2	2	2	0	0

Ruskin		1	1	1	1	1	0
Burke	2	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Frey		1	2	1	1	1	1
Pittsburgh							
Walk (L,5-5)		2	6	4	4	1	1
Palacios		1	0	0	0	0	0
Heaton		2	2	0	0	0	1
Bair		1	1	1	1	0	1
Kipper	1	1-3	1	0	0	1	1
Power		1	3	3	3	0	2
Patterson		2-3	2	1	1	0	1

Walk pitched to three batters in the third.

WP-Palacios. PB-Fitzgerald.

Umpires-Home, West; 1b, Hallion; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Wendelstedt.

T-3:43. A-22,023.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Jefferies 3b	4	0	0	0	Dykstra cf	3	0	1	0
Miller cf	3	1	1	0	Thon ss	4	2	1	1
Boston ph	1	0	0	0	Ready 2b	2	0	1	0
Magadan 1b	4	1	1	2	Daulton c	1	0	1	2
McReynlds lf	4	0	0	0	Murphy rf	4	0	2	0
Strawberry rf	3	0	2	0	Jordan 1b	3	0	1	1
Teufel 2b	3	0	0	0	Kruk 1b	1	0	1	0
Johnson ss	3	0	1	0	CHayes 3b	4	1	1	1
O'Brien c	2	0	0	0	Chamberln lf	3	1	1	0
Hughes ph	1	0	0	0	Boever p	1	0	0	0
Darling p	0	0	0	0	Nieto c	3	0	1	0
Fernandez p	2	0	0	0	Booker 2b	1	1	0	0
Pena p	0	0	0	0	Combs p	2	0	0	0
O'Malley ph	1	0	0	0	VHayes lf	1	1	1	1
Hundley c	0	0	0	0					
Totals	31	2	5	2	Totals	33	6	12	6

New York	000 000 200-	2
Philadelphia	000 100 41x-	6

DP-New York 2, Philadelphia 1. LOB-New York 2, Philadelphia 8. 2B-Johnson, Jordan, Thon. HR-Magadan (5), CHayes (10).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

New York							
Fernandez (L 9-12)	6	2-3	8	5	5	3	8
Pena		1-3	3	0	0	0	0
Darling		1	1	1	1	2	0
Philadelphia							
Combs (W 7-9)		7	5	2	2	0	3
Boever (S 12)		2	0	0	0	0	2

T-2:58. A-36,502.

Umpires-Home, Davis; 1b, Layne; 2b, Runge; 3b, Winters.

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Yelding cf	4	0	1	0	Butler cf	3	1	0	0
Ramirez ss	5	0	0	0	Kingery rf	4	1	1	1
Oberkfell 3b	3	0	0	0	Clark 1b	3	2	2	1
Stubbs 1b	4	0	0	0	Mitchell lf	4	1	3	3
Anthony rf	4	1	1	1	Williams 3b	3	0	0	0
Rhodes lf	4	0	2	0	Riles 2b	3	0	0	0
Biggio c	3	0	2	0	Kennedy c	3	0	0	0
Candaele 2b	2	0	1	0	Uribe ss	3	0	0	0
Portugal p	3	0	1	0	LaCoss p	2	0	0	0
Schatzeder p	0	0	0	0	Bass ph	1	0	0	0
Davidson ph	1	0	0	0	TWilson p	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	1	8	1	Totals	29	5	6	5

Houston	000 000 010- 1
San Francisco	100 002 02x- 5

E-Williams, Biggio, Rhodes. DP-San Francisco 3. LOB-Houston 10, San Francisco 2. 2B-Clark, Biggio. HR-Mitchell (33), Anthony (9). SB-Yelding (55), Butler (40). SF-Clark.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Portugal (L 8-10)	7 1-3	5	4	4	0	4
Schatzeder	2-3	1	1	0	1	0
San Francisco						
La Coss (W 6-3)	8	7	1	1	5	6
TWilson	1	1	0	0	0	0

Balk-TWilson. T-2:35. A-23,229.

Umpires-Home, Quick; 1b, Bonin; 2b, Barnes; 3b, Tata.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
McDowell lf	4	1	1	0	Roberts 3b	5	0	1	1
Vatcher ph	1	0	1	0	Faries 2b	5	0	0	0
Parrett p	0	0	0	0	Gwynn rf	5	0	1	0
Castillo p	0	0	0	0	JaClark 1b	2	1	0	0
Blauser 3b	1	0	0	0	Stephensn pr	0	1	0	0
Treadway 2b	4	1	3	2	Carter lf	5	1	2	1
Lemke 2b	1	0	1	1	Santiago c	4	0	2	1
Gant cf	3	0	0	0	Templeton ss	5	1	2	1
Justice rf	5	0	0	0	Abner cf	3	1	1	1
Gregg 1b	5	0	2	0	Benes p	2	0	0	0
Presley 3b	5	0	1	0	Harris p	1	0	0	0
Mercker p	0	0	0	0	Lefferts p	0	0	0	0
Thomas ss	4	0	0	0	Lynn ph	1	0	0	0
Olson c	3	0	0	0	Show p	0	0	0	0
LSmith lf	2	0	0	0					
Glavine p	2	0	0	0					
Bell ph	1	1	1	0					
Freeman p	0	0	0	0					
Whitt ph	1	0	1	0					
Rosario pr	0	1	0	0					
Mann c	0	0	0	0					
Kremers c	1	0	0	0					
Totals	43	4	11	3	Totals	38	5	9	5

Atlanta	000	000	301	00- 4
San Diego	010	021	000	01- 5

DP-Atlanta 1, San Diego 1. LOB-Atlanta 9, San Diego 7. 2B-Gregg, Templeton, Abner, Bell. 3B-Treadway. HR-Carter (23).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Glavine	6	7	4	4	3	2
Freeman	2	0	0	0	0	2
Parrett	2-3	1	0	0	1	0
Castillo	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Mercker (L 4-4)	1	1	1	1	1	0
San Diego						
Benes	6 1-3	8	3	3	3	8
Harris	2	1	1	1	0	2
Lefferts	2-3	2	0	0	0	0
Show (W 5-8)	2	0	0	0	0	1

WP-Harris. Balk-Benes. T-3:24. A-28, 593.

Umpires-Home, Gregg; 1b, Crawford; 2b, Harvey; 3b, DeMuth.

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Doran 3b	3	1	2	0	Samuel 2b	5	0	1	0
Quinones 3b	2	0	1	0	Gibson cf	2	0	0	0
Larkin ss	5	1	1	1	Javier cf	1	0	0	0
Morris 1b	4	0	1	1	Daniels lf	3	1	1	0
Davis lf	4	1	1	1	Murray 1b	4	0	0	0
O'Neill rf	3	1	0	0	Brooks rf	3	2	2	2
Winnnghm cf	3	0	1	0	Sharpersn 3b	4	2	2	0
Reed c	4	0	1	1	Dempsey c	3	0	1	1
Duncan 2b	3	0	0	0	Griffin ss	3	1	1	1
Jackson p	2	0	0	0	Martinez p	4	0	1	1
Benzinger ph	1	0	0	0					
Mahler p	0	0	0	0					
Oester ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	35	4	8	4	Totals	32	6	9	5

Cincinnati	010 120 000- 4
Los Angeles	021 020 10x- 6

E-Doran 2. LOB-Cincinnati 7, Los Angeles 7. 2B-Doran 2, Daniels, Winningham, Samuel, Quinones. 3B- Larkin. HR-Davis (19), Brooks (19). S-Griffin. SF-Brooks.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Jackson (L 5-4)	5	7	5	3	2	3
Mahler	3	2	1	1	0	4
Los Angeles						
Martinez (W 17-6)	9	8	4	4	3	8

HBP-by Jackson (Gibson). Balk- Martinez. T-2:55. A-41,740.

Umpires-Home, Froemming; 1b, Pulli; 2b, Ripplry; 3b, Darling.

ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Coleman lf	5	1	2	1	Walton cf	5	1	1	0
Smith ss	3	1	1	0	Sandberg 2b	3	0	1	0
Lankford cf	5	2	4	2	Grace 1b	4	0	1	1
Guerrero 1b	4	0	1	1	Dawson rf	4	0	2	0
Brewer 1b	1	0	0	0	JSmith lf	3	0	0	0

Jose rf	4	2	2	2	Villanueva ph	1	0	0	0
Zeile 3b	3	0	0	0	Dascenzo lf	0	0	0	0
Pagnozzi c	5	2	2	1	Salazar 3b	4	1	3	1
Jones 2b	4	1	1	1	Dunston ss	4	0	0	0
BSmith p	0	0	0	1	Girardi c	4	0	1	0
Tudor p	2	0	0	0	Bielecki p	0	0	0	0
Perez p	0	0	0	0	SWilson p	1	0	0	0
					Wynne ph	1	0	0	0
					Coffman p	0	0	0	0
					Lancaster p	0	0	0	0
					Ramos ph	1	0	0	0
					Pico p	0	0	0	0
					Clark ph	1	0	1	0
Totals	36	9	13	9	Totals	36	2	10	2

St. Louis	030 114 000- 9
Chicago	001 100 000- 2

E-BSmith, Girardi. DP-St. Louis 1. LOB-St. Louis 8, Chicago 8. 2B-Pagnozzi Guerrero, Lankford. 3B-Jones. HR-Jose (2), Salazar (12). SB-Smith (30), Jose (3), Lankford (7). S-BSmith 2.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
BSmith	4	6	2	2	1	1
Tudor (W 12-4)	4	3	0	0	0	1
Perez	1	1	0	0	0	0
Chicago						
Bielecki (L 7-10)	1 2-3	4	3	3	2	0
SWilson	2 1-3	1	1	1	1	2
Coffman	1 2-3	7	5	5	0	1
Lancaster	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Pico	2	1	0	0	2	2

HBP-by SWilson (Jones). PB-Girardi. T- 2:48. A-27,362.

Umpires-Home, Williams; 1b, McSherry; 2b, Montague; 3b, Davidson.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	5	0	1	1	Reed 2b	5	0	2	1

Cotto lf	3	0	0	0	Quintana 1b	4	0	0	0
KGriffey lf	1	0	1	0	Boggs 3b	4	0	0	0
KGriffey cf	4	0	0	0	Burks cf	4	0	3	0
Leonard dh	4	0	3	0	Greenwell lf	4	0	0	0
Buhner rf	5	1	1	0	Brunansky rf	4	0	1	0
EMartinez 3b	2	2	1	0	Stone pr	0	0	0	0
O'Brien 1b	4	0	2	0	Romine rf	0	0	0	0
Valle c	4	0	1	0	Marshall dh	4	0	1	0
Vizquel ss	4	0	1	1	Pena c	3	1	1	0
					Heep ph	1	0	0	0
					Marzano c	0	0	0	0
					Rivera ss	2	0	1	0
					Plantier ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	36	3	11	2	Totals	36	1	9	1

Seattle	020 001 000- 3
Boston	000 000 100- 1

E-Rivera, KGriffey. DP-Seattle 2, Boston 2. LOB-Seattle 11, Boston 10.
2B-Buhner, Reynolds, Vizquel, Rivera.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Young (W 8-14)	7	7	1	1	2	7
Swift (S 5)	2	2	0	0	0	0
Boston						
Hesketh (L 0-2)	5 2-3	8	3	2	2	7
Irvine	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Murphy	1	1	0	0	1	0
Gardner	1	1	0	0	1	0
Andersen	1	1	0	0	1	1

WP-Young, Hesketh, Andersen. T-3:09. A-32,923.

Umpires-Home, Welke; 1b, Coble; 2b, Ford; 3b, Evans.

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
RHendersn lf	3	1	0	0	Kelly cf	5	0	0	0
McGee cf	5	1	3	4	Sax 2b	5	1	3	0
Canseco rf	4	1	2	0	Maas 1b	3	0	0	0
Baines dh	3	0	0	0	Hall rf	4	0	0	0
McGwire 1b	5	1	2	3	Nokes dh	4	0	2	2
Steinbach c	5	0	0	0	Azocar lf	4	0	1	0
Randolph 2b	3	1	0	0	Leyritz 3b	4	1	1	0
Blanknshp 3b	3	1	1	0	Geren c	2	0	0	0

Gallego ss	3	1	1	0	Cerone ph	1	0	1	0
Hassey ph	0	0	0	0	Espinoza ss	3	1	2	1
Lansford ph	1	0	0	0	Balboni ph	1	0	0	0
Bordick ss	0	0	0	0					
Totals	35	7	9	7	Totals	36	3	10	3

Oakland	030 000 004- 7
New York	000 002 100- 3

E-Azocar, Gallego. DP-Oakland 1, New York 1. LOB-Oakland 8, New York 8. 3B-McGee. HR-McGwire (36). SB-Canseco (17). S-Geren.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Stewart (W 19-10)	8	9	3	2	1	7
Eckersley	1	1	0	0	0	1
New York						
Leary (L 8-18)	8 1-3	7	4	4	4	4
Cadaret	1-3	1	3	3	3	1
Plunk	1-3	1	0	0	0	1

WP-Leary. T-2:58. A-36,391.

Umpires-Home, Palermo; 1b, Young; 2b, Garcia; 3b, Reilly.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi
Sosa rf	4	0	2	0	Wilson cf	4	1	1	0
Bradley cf	3	0	1	0	Fernandez ss	3	1	1	1
Johnson cf	1	0	0	0	Gruber 3b	3	0	0	2
Calderon lf	4	0	0	0	Bell dh	4	0	1	0
Thomas dh	4	0	1	0	McGriff 1b	3	1	1	1
Fisk c	4	0	1	0	Myers c	4	1	2	1
Martinez 1b	3	0	1	0	Ducey lf	3	1	1	0
Pasqua ph	1	0	0	0	Lee 2b	4	1	1	0
Fletcher 2b	3	0	1	0	Felix rf	4	0	1	1
Grebeck 3b	3	0	0	0					
Guillen ss	2	1	0	0					
Totals	32	1	7	0	Totals	32	6	9	6

Chicago	001 000 000- 1
Toronto	101 004 00x- 6

E-Guillen 2, Martinez, Gruber, Calderon. DP-Toronto 2. LOB-Chicago 5, Toronto 6. 2B-Lee. HR-McGriff (33), Myers (5). SB-Wilson (23). SF-Gruber, Fernandez.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
McDowell (L 12-7)	5	9	6	5	2	2
Pall	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Radinsky	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Rosenberg	1	0	0	0	0	1
Toronto						
Key (W 10-7)	7	6	1	0	1	4
Acker	1	1	0	0	0	1
Ward	1	0	0	0	0	1

McDowell pitched to 5 batters in the 6th.

T-2:37. A-49,870.

Umpires-Home, Phillips; 1b, Clark; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, McCoy.

CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Jefferson cf	3	0	1	0	Mack cf	3	2	2	1
DiJames ph	1	0	1	1	Liriano 2b	2	2	1	1
Cole cf	1	1	0	0	Puckett rf	5	0	3	4
Browne 2b	3	2	1	1	Hrbek 1b	5	0	2	0
CJames dh	5	1	3	2	Harper c	5	0	0	0
Maldonado rf	5	1	2	2	Bush dh	4	1	0	0
Alomar c	5	1	2	2	Gladden lf	5	2	2	0
Jacoby 1b	5	0	1	0	Newman 3b	5	1	2	1
Brookens 3b	5	3	3	1	Gagne ss	3	1	1	0
Fermin ss	4	1	3	1	Larkin ph	1	0	0	0
Webster lf	4	2	3	2	Leius ss	0	0	0	0
Totals	41	12	20	12	Totals	38	9	13	7

Cleveland	000 100 731- 12
Minnesota	120 011 040- 9

E-Alomar, SValdez, Olin. DP-Cleveland 3, Minnesota 2. LOB-Cleveland 5, Minnesota 8. 2B-Puckett 2, Jacoby, Gladden, CJames 2, Brookens 2, Webster 2, Browne, Maldonado. 3B-Gladden. SB- Newman (12). S-Fermin. SF-Liriano.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
SValdez	3	4	3	1	2	2
Olin (W 3-4)	4 1-3	8	5	4	2	4
Jones	1 2-3	1	1	1	1	3

Minnesota							
Guthrie	6	1-3	11	5	5	1	4
Savage (L 0-2)		1-3	3	3	3	0	0
Leach		1	4	3	3	1	0
West	1	1-3	2	1	1	0	0

WP-Guthrie. T-2:58. A-14,414.

Umpires-Home, Brinkman; 1b, Cousins; 2b, Reed; 3b, Cooney.

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Polonia lf	3	0	0	0	Finley rf	3	0	1	0
Bichette lf	1	0	0	0	Anderson cf	4	0	0	0
Venable cf	3	1	1	0	CRipken ss	4	1	1	0
Downing dh	4	0	1	0	Horn dh	4	0	2	1
Winfield rf	4	0	0	1	Devereax dh	0	0	0	0
Howell 3b	4	0	0	0	Orsulak lf	4	0	0	0
Schroeder c	3	0	0	0	Tettleton c	3	1	0	0
White ph	1	0	0	0	Worthngtn 3b	4	0	1	0
Schu 1b	2	0	1	0	Segui 1b	3	1	2	0
Ray ph	1	0	0	0	BRipken 2b	3	0	1	1
Coachman 2b	3	0	2	0					
Schofield ss	3	0	0	0					
Totals	32	1	5	1	Totals	32	3	8	2

California	000 001 000- 1
Baltimore	021 000 00x- 3

E-Coachman, Schu. DP-California 1. LOB-California 6, Baltimore 7.
2B-Venable, CRipken, Downing, Coachman, Horn. SB-Anderson (20). S-Finley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
McCaskill (L 11-10)	8	8	3	2	1	2
Baltimore						
Telford (W 2-2)	6 1-3	5	1	1	2	3
Bautista	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Price	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Schilling	2-3	0	0	0	0	
Olson (S 30)	1	0	0	0	0	1

Umpires-Home, Denkinger; 1b, Shulock; 2b, Merrill; 3b, McClelland.

T-2:30. A-30,066.

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Phillips ss	3	0	1	0	Molitor 1b	2	0	0	0
Coles 3b	2	0	1	1	Gantner 2b	3	0	1	0
Whitaker 2b	3	0	0	0	Sheffield 3b	3	0	0	0
Fryman 3b	4	1	2	1	DParker dh	4	0	0	0
Fielder 1b	4	0	0	0	Yount cf	4	0	1	0
Ward lf	2	1	0	0	Surhoff c	3	0	2	0
Moseby lf	1	0	0	0	Vaughn lf	3	0	0	0
Lemon rf	4	2	2	0	Deer rf	3	0	1	0
Heath dh	2	0	1	1	Spiers ss	3	0	1	0
Bergman dh	2	0	0	0	Brock ph	1	0	0	0
Rowland c	3	1	1	0					
Cuyler cf	3	0	1	2					
Totals	33	5	9	5	Totals	29	0	6	0

Detroit	000 011 201- 5
Milwaukee	000 000 000- 0

DP-Detroit 3, Milwaukee 3. LOB-Detroit 5, Milwaukee 9. 2B-Fryman, Yount, Heath, Rowland, Cuyler. HR-Fryman (7). SB-Surhoff (17), Molitor (17), Ward (2), Lemon (3). S-Gantner.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Aldred (W 1-0)	5	4	0	0	5	2
Nunez (S 5)	4	2	0	0	1	4
Milwaukee						
Krueger (L 5-8)	6	6	4	4	2	1
Veres	1-3	0	0	0	2	1
Mirabella	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Crim	1	0	0	0	0	1
Elvira	1	2	1	1	0	1

Krueger pitched to 2 batters in the 7th.

T-2:58. A-22,561.

Umpires-Home, Johnson; 1b, McKean; 2b, Voltaggio; 3b, Kaiser.

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
McRae cf	4	0	0	0	Pettis cf	5	0	1	0
Seitzer 3b	4	1	1	0	Franco 2b	2	3	1	0
Brett 1b	4	1	2	4	Palmeiro 1b	5	0	2	3

Jackson dh	4	0	1	0	Sierra dh	4	0	0	0
Eisenreich lf	4	0	1	0	Daugherty rf	3	1	1	2
Schulz rf	4	1	1	0	Gonzalez rf	2	0	1	0
Macfarlane c	0	0	0	0	Incaviglia lf	3	0	0	1
Stillwell ss	4	0	2	0	Petralli c	2	0	0	0
Pecota 2b	3	1	2	1	Stanley c	0	0	0	0
Boone c	3	1	1	0	Belcher pr	0	0	0	0
Wilson lf	1	0	0	0	Coolbaugh 3b	0	0	0	0
Jeltz lf	0	0	0	0	Buechele 3b	3	1	1	0
					Reimer ph	1	0	0	0
					Kreuter c	0	0	0	0
					Kunkel ss	3	1	0	0
					Green ss	0	0	0	0
					Huson ss	1	0	0	0
Totals	35	5	11	5	Totals	34	6	7	6

Two out when winning run scored.

Kansas City	002 120 000- 5
Texas	000 230 001- 6

E-Petralli, Stillwell. DP-Texas 1. LOB-Kansas City 5, Texas 10.
2B-Palmeiro, Gonzalez. HR-Daugherty (5), Brett (11). SB-Franco (29), Pettis (33). S-Pecota.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
McGaffigan	4 2-3	4	5	2	2	3
Crawford	2	1	0	0	1	5
M Davis	2-3	1	0	0	2	0
Farr (L 10-7)	1 1-3	1	1	1	2	2
Texas						
Alexander	3 1-3	8	3	3	1	2
McMurtry	2 2-3	2	2	2	0	3
Jeffcoat	2	0	0	0	0	4
Arnsberg (W 6-1)	1	1	0	0	0	1

HBP-By Farr (Franco).

Umpires-Home, Morrison; 1b, Roe; 2b, Barnes; 3b, Kosc.

T-3:26. A-16,909.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - On a day of so many remarkable returns and debuts in the

NFL, Atlanta saw vengeance, Dallas saw a victory, and Jeff George saw stars.

The No. 1 overall draft pick and Indianapolis quarterback was welcomed to the pros with a concussion Sunday, when the NFL regular season opened with 13 games and five new coaches.

Jerry Glanville's Falcons welcomed him to Atlanta by routing his former team, the Houston Oilers, 47-27.

''You can't express the gratitude we feel toward the team,'' Glanville said. ''They gave the three coaches that came from Houston a game ball.''

Oilers Coach Jack Pardee is one of the rookies but Houston players were reminded of Glanville's trademarks as the Falcons turned four fumbles in the first quarter into scores and took 16 penalties for 109 yards.

New York Jets Coach Bruce Coslet and Phoenix's Joe Bugel were reminded of the success they left behind, losing their head coaching debuts in the towns where they served as longtime assistants, respectively 25-20 at Cincinnati and 31-0 at Washington.

And as the longest home losing streak in NFL history ended, Cowboys fans were reminded of the days when they watched a winner, more than a year ago. Dallas Coach Jimmy Johnson, who took over for Tom Landry last season, triumphed at Texas Stadium for the first time, with a 17-14 comeback against San Diego.

''We have been through a lot since last season's 1-15 record and a lot has passed unnoticed,'' Johnson said. ''It's just one win but it's the right way to start the season. A year ago it might have been a different story.''

A year ago, George was at University of Illinois unsure if he would leave school early to enter the draft. Sunday, the rookie quarterback was flat on his back in Buffalo after getting hit by linebacker Cornelius Bennett.

''It wasn't the hit, it was my head going back against the ground,'' George said quietly. ''I can't give him all the credit.

''I just remember hitting the ground,'' he added after Buffalo beat Indianapolis 26-10. ''I just remember banging my head. I'm still a little bit dizzy.''

In other games, Green Bay beat the Los Angeles Rams 36-24, Chicago blanked Seattle 17-0, Tampa Bay tamed Detroit 38-21, Kansas City nipped Minnesota 24-21, the Los Angeles Raiders overtook Denver 14-9, Miami overcame New England 27-24, Cleveland clobbered Pittsburgh 13-3, and the New York Giants downed Philadelphia 27-20.

-- AROUND THE NFL --

At Atlanta, three of the Falcons' TDS off recovered fumbles came within 1:50, including the opening 6-yarder by first-round pick Steve Broussard. The Falcons were 3-13 last season but 4-0 in exhibition. Houston quarterback Warren Moon finished 31 of 52 for 398 yards and four touchdowns.

At Orchard Park, N.Y., Scott Norwood kicked four field goals and Jim Kelly threw for 238 yards and a touchdown to help Buffalo spoil George's debut. Before leaving in the fourth quarter, George hit on 13 of 24 passes for 160 yards but was sacked three times.

At Irving, Texas, the Cowboys won with 1:58 left to play when Troy Aikman snuck 1 yard to give Dallas its first victory at Texas Stadium in 14 games since Dallas won the second game of the 1988 season against Atlanta. At 1-0, Dallas matched its entire victory total of 1989, when it only beat Washington on the road.

At Cincinnati, Jim Breech capped the Bengals' 15-point fourth quarter rally with field goals of 44 and 37 yards in the final five minutes. Jets receiver Al Toon scored both of his team's touchdowns.

At Washington, Mark Rypien capitalized on turnovers to throw three touchdown passes and Alvin Walton returned an interception 57 yards for a TD to spoil the homecoming and NFL head coaching debut of Phoenix's Joe Bugel. Bugel served as an assistant under Washington Coach Joe Gibbs for 11 seasons before taking over at Phoenix. The Redskins intercepted four passes, converting the first three into touchdowns to post their first opening game shutout since 1973. The Cardinals have dropped seven straight season openers.

At Green Bay, Wis., Anthony Dilweg, starting instead of Don Majkowski, threw three touchdown passes in the Packers' first season- opening triumph in six seasons. Dilweg, making his first regular-season start because Majkowski ended his 45-day holdout only Wednesday, completed 20 of 32 passes for 248 yards with no interceptions. The Rams' Jim Everett completed 24 of 40 passes for 340 yards, two touchdowns and two interceptions. Chris Jacke's 53-yard field goal tied the club record and also missed his first extra point in his last 46 attempts.

At Chicago, Neal Anderson ran for two touchdowns and the Bears' defense looked rejuvenated in the shutout of Seattle. The Bears' seventh straight season-opening victory marks the longest current streak in the NFL. Anderson carried 20 times for 101 yards and caught five passes for another 42 yards. The Bears had lost three straight to the Seahawks, last beating them in 1976.

At Pontiac, Mich., Vinny Testaverde threw three touchdown passes in the first half and Harry Hamilton recovered a fumble in the end zone in the third quarter to spark Tampa Bay. Tampa Bay running back Gary Anderson, who sat out last season in a contract dispute with San Diego, had an excellent debut for the Buccaneers. He rushed 21 times for 74 yards and added 79 yards on six receptions, including the go-ahead touchdown.

At Kansas City, Mo., Christian Okoye scored on a 2-yard run in the fourth quarter and Steve DeBerg threw two touchdown passes in the first against Minnesota. The game was billed as a duel between running backs Okoye and Herschel Walker. Okoye gained 92 yards on 28 carries and the touchdown. Walker was more rounded, adding five receptions - two for touchdowns - for 70 yards to his 68 yards on 14 rushes.

At Los Angeles, linebacker Jerry Robinson returned an interception 5 yards for a touchdown and cornerback Terry McDaniel brought a fumble back 42 yards for another Raiders score during Denver's disastrous third quarter as the Broncos blew their 6-0 lead with three consecutive turnovers. John Elway, coming off the best exhibition season of his career, completed only 3 of 15 passes in the first half.

At Foxboro, Mass., Dan Marino threw a 7-yard scoring pass to Tony Paige with 1:46 left in the fourth quarter to rally Miami and snap New England's six-game winning streak on Opening Day in addition to handing Rod Rust a loss in the former Pittsburgh assistant's first game as head coach. Miami, opening its Silver Anniversary season in the NFL, had lost its last five season-openers. The Patriots' Jason Staurovsky missed a 57-yard field goal try with 21 seconds left. Sammie Smith, who ran for 105 of his career-best 159 yards in the first half, scored to bring the Dolphins within 21-20. Smith carried the ball 23 times, 15 in the opening half.

At Cleveland, Anthony Blaylock returned a fumble 30 yards for the game's only touchdown and Jerry Kauric kicked two field goals against Pittsburgh. Defending AFC Central champion Cleveland gained just 158 yards, and Pittsburgh gained 210 yards, only 49 on the ground. In last year's season opener, the Browns scored three defensive touchdowns in a 51-0 victory at Pittsburgh. The triumph was Cleveland's eighth in the last nine meetings between the AFC Central rivals.

At East Rutherford, N.J., Rodney Hampton and Dave Meggett scored touchdowns within 1:56 of the third period and Lawrence Taylor recorded three sacks to help the Giants snap a four-game losing streak against Philadelphia. Running back Hampton, the Giants' first-round draft pick, caught a 21-yard pass from Phil Simms for the team's first TD 3:55 into the third quarter for a 13-10 lead and Meggett returned a punt 68 yards for a TD.

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#90253f1963 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Monday 385.30 up 1.70.

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#90253f1966 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austral	.000177	.000175	5635.00	5703.00
Australia dlr	.8165	.8213	1.2247	1.2176
Austria schill	.0899	.0909	11.12	11.00
Belgium franc-c	.0308	.0311	32.45	32.14
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0152	.0152	65.81	65.81
Britain pound	1.8510	1.8925	.5402	.5284
Britain 1-mo	1.8404	1.8818	.5434	.5314
Britain 3-mo	1.8202	1.8752	.5494	.5333
Britain 6-mo	1.7927	1.8332	.5578	.5455
Canada dollar	.8602	.8598	1.1625	1.1631
Canada 1-mo	.8570	.8530	1.1669	1.1723
Canada 3-mo	.8538	.8505	1.1712	1.1758
Canada 6-mo	.8443	.8430	1.1844	1.1863
Chile peso-f	.003300	.003317	303.00	301.45
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001933	.001934	517.41	516.97
Denmark krne	.1657	.1674	6.0355	5.9740
Ecudr sucre-z	.001148	.001129	871.20	886.05
Egypt pound	.3714	.3714	2.6924	2.6924
Finlnd mrkka	.2693	.2711	3.7130	3.6880
France franc	.1886	.1904	5.3025	5.2515
France 1-mo	.1883	.1901	5.3110	5.2602
France 3-mo	.1876	.1894	5.3312	5.2810
France 6-mo	.1865	.1883	5.3630	5.3120
Greece drach	.006484	.006528	154.23	153.18
Hollnd guildr	.5605	.5663	1.7841	1.7660
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1288	7.7675	7.7652

India rupee	.0567	.0568	17.65	17.60
Indo'sa rupia	.000541	.000542	1847.00	1845.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.6945	1.7145	0.5901	0.5833
Israel shekel	.5023	.5038	1.9910	1.9850
Italy lira	.000847	.000855	1181.00	1169.75
Japan yen	.007181	.007138	139.25	140.10
Japan 1-mo	.007181	.007143	139.25	140.00
Japan 3-mo	.007207	.007153	138.75	139.80
Japan 6-mo	.007244	.007154	138.05	139.79
Jordan dinar	1.5375	1.5375	.6504	.6504
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000347	2881.00	2881.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6175	.6235	1.6194	1.6038
Norway krne	.1640	.1653	6.0970	6.0500
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000003	.000003	398,925	389,075
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escud	.007214	.007241	138.61	138.11
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5661	.5643	1.7665	1.7720
S.Africa rand	.3899	.3916	2.5645	2.5538
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010086	.010199	99.15	98.05
Sweden krona	.1727	.1737	5.7920	5.7560
Switzrl franc	.7590	.7663	1.3175	1.3050
Switzrl 1-mo	.7591	.7663	1.3174	1.3050
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7587	.7660	1.3180	1.3055
Switzrl 6-mo	.7571	.7658	1.3209	1.3059
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.91	26.90
Turkey lira	.000374	.000376	2673.00	2663.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2730	3.6608	3.6628
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0208	.0208	48.02	48.02
W.Ger Mark	.6321	.6381	1.5820	1.5671
W.Ger 1-mo	.6320	.6380	1.5822	1.5674
W.Ger 3-mo	.6317	.6374	1.5831	1.5688
W.Ger 6-mo	.6301	.6359	1.5871	1.5725
Yugosl dinar	.0924	.0935	10.82	10.69

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90253h0015 09/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BANGKOK (SEPT. 10) XINHUA - THAI RICE EXPORT SITUATION IS IMPROVING IN THE SECOND HALF OF THIS YEAR DESPITE THE DISRUPTION CAUSED BY THE GULF CRISIS, ACCORDING TO A LATEST OFFICIAL NEWS BULLETIN.

THE BULLETIN SAID THAI RICE EXPORT IS EXPECTED TO BE ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THE FULF CRISIS, AS THE TWO COUNTRIES INVOLVED, IRAQ AND KUWAIT, ARE BOTH MAJOR BUYERS. 60,000 TONS OF THAI FRAGRANT RICE UNDER CONTRACT WITH IRAQ STILL UNDELIVERED DUE TO THE TROUBLES IN THE REGION.

HOWEVER, THAILAND WILL HAVE A BRIGHTER PROSPECT FOR HER RICE EXPORTS IN THE SECOND HALF OF THE YEAR AS MANY COUNTRIES, TRADITIONAL AND NEW MARKETS FOR THAI RICE, HAVE PLACED ORDERS FOR RICE TO BE DELIVERED TOWARDS YEAR, AN ADVISOR TO THE THAI COMMITTEE ON RICE POLICIES AND MEASURES WAS QUOTED AS SAYING.

THAI RICE EXPORTS ARE EXPECTED TO REACH ABOUT 4 MILLION TONS FOR THE WHOLE YEAR.

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#90253h0034 09/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NAIROBI (SEPT. 10) XINHUA - KENYA AIRWAYS WILL BUY 10 MORE AIRCRAFT NEXT YEAR, NEARLY DOUBLING ITS FLEET, TO KEEP IN LINE WITH THE EVER-GROWING TOURISM IN THE COUNTRY, SAID THE AIRLINE'S GENERAL MANAGER NATHANIEL MUTAI.

"DAILY NATION" TODAY QUOTED MR. MUTAI AS SAYING THAT THE 10 NEW AIRCRAFT WHICH INCLUDE THREE FOKKER 50S, THREE BOEING 757S, THREE AIRBUSES AND ONE DC8 WILL BE ADDED TO THE CURRENT FLEET OF KENYA AIRWAYS CONSISTING OF SEVEN BOEING, THREE FOKKER AND ONE DC AIRPLANES.

BESIDES BOOSTING IT'S FLEET, MR. MUTAI SAID, THE AIRLINE HAS ALSO AUTOMATED FACILITIES OF ITS AGENTS FOR MAKING CROSS- WOLD FLIGHT, HOTEL, CAR HIRE AND TOUR BOOKINGS.

IT IS BELIVED THAT THE MODERNIZATION OF THE AIRLINE IS PART OF A BIG PLAN TO EXPAND TOURISM OF THE EAST AFRICAN COUNTRY. ABOUT 889,000 TOURISTS CAN BE EXPECTED TO VISIT THE COUNTRY BY THE END OF THIS YEAR IN COMPARISION WITH 700,000 TOURISTS VISITED LAST YEAR.

-30- 1084
#90253h0041 09/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
TIANJIN (SEPT. 10) XINHUA - TIANJIN HAS EXPORTED ITS DAIHATSU MINIBUSES TO THE SOVIET UNION, ACCORDING TO A LOCAL OFFICIAL.

THE OFFICIAL SAID THAT AT AN EXHIBITION HELD IN MOSCOW LAST JUNE, THE

ENERGOMASHEXPORT, A SOVIET UNION COMPANY, PLACED ORDER FOR 360 DAIHATSU MINIBUSES. THE WHOLE CONTRACT INVOLVES 2.3 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN VALUE.

THE TJ110 TIANJIN-DAIHATSU MINIBUSES WERE SHIPPED TO THE SOVIET UNION FROM SEPTEMBER 8.

THE LOCAL OFFICIALS ADDED THAT ACCORDING TO THE CONTRACT, A "TIANJIN-DAIHATSU" SERVICE CENTER WILL ALSO BE SET UP IN THE SOVIET UNION.

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#90253h0050 09/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO, (SEPT. 10) XINHUA - THREE BELGIAN NAVAL UNITS STREAMED THROUGH THE SUEZ CANAL TODAY ON THEIR WAY TO THE GULF REGION TO JOIN A U.S.-LED MILITARY BUILDUP, A CANAL OFFICIAL SAID.

THE OFFICIAL IDENTIFIED THE THREE GULF-BOUND BELGIAN VESSELS AS TWO MINEHUNTERS, IRIS AND MYOSOTIS, AND A SUPPLY SHIP, ZINNIA.

THE ZINNIA IS A COMMAND AND LOGISTIC SUPPORT SHIP WHICH OPERATED IN THE GULF IN 1987-88 AS PART OF AN INTERNATIONAL EFFORT TO REMOVE MINES PLANTED BY IRAN IN ITS WAR WITH IRAQ.

DOZENS OF WARSHIPS FROM THE UNITED STATES AND OTHER WESTERN COUNTRIES HAVE ASSEMBLED IN THE GULF AREA SINCE THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

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#90253h0051 09/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 10) XINHUA - THE TOURISM AUTHORITY OF THAILAND (TAT) IS URGING WORLD TOURISM ORGANIZATION (WTO) TO CLOSELY COOPERATE WITH ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (ESCAP) TO DEVELOP NEW TOURISM PRODUCTS IN THIS REGION, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST REPORT OF TAT.

AMONG MAJOR NEW PLANS OF TAT IS TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF ASIAN HIGHWAY TO ENABLE DRIVING FROM ASIA TO EUROPE,

THE REPORT SAID THE TAT HAS SUGGESTED TO WTO TO COOPERATE WITH ESCAP IN PROMOTING THE PLAN, AND NOTED THAT THE SCHEME HAS BEEN FROZEN FOR MANY YEARS DUE TO POLITICAL PROBLEMS IN MYANMAR.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE REPORT QUOTED TAT GOVERNOR DHARMNOON PRACHUANBOH AS SAYING THAT THE COOPERATION BETWEEN THAILAND AND CHINA'S NATIONAL TOURISM ORGANIZATIONS IS IN PROGRESS WITH A HOPE OF LINKING THE NORTH OF THAILAND AND THE SOUTHERN PART OF CHINA THROUGH WATER TRANSPORTATION ALONG MEKONG RIVER.

"THIS IS NOT NONSENSE BECAUSE CHINA HAS ALREADY LAUNCHED A PLAN TO DEVELOP TOURISM IN LANCANG RIVER WHICH CONNECTS WITH MEKONG RIVER," DHARMNOON SAID.

HE NOTED THAT THE CURRENT UNCERTAINTY IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AND THE ECONOMIC SITUATION -- CAUSED BY INCREASES IN OIL PRICES AND AIR FARES -- WOULD AFFECT WORLD TOURISM.

"THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THAILAND WILL BE HARD HIT BY THE EXTERNAL SITUATION, " HE ADDED.

HE STRESSED THAT FACING THE SITUATIONS, THE KEY CONDITIONS WOULD BE ON THE MAINTENANCE OF THE QUALITY OF EXISTING TOURISM SERVICES AND THE INTRODUCTION OF MORE TOURISM PRODUCTS TO THE MARKET.

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#90253h0065 09/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WINDHEOK (SEPT. 10) XINHUA - NAMIBIA LAUNCHED OFFICIALLY HERE TODAY THE NATIONAL AIDS AWARENESS WEEK WITH AN AIM OF STOPPING THE SPREAD OF THE KILLER DISEASE IN THIS COUNTRY.

DR. NICKY IYAMBO, MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, SAID ON THE OCCASION THAT DURING THE AIDS AWARENESS WEEK DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES WOULD BE CARRIED OUT AT SCHOOLS, ARMY BARRACKS AND SOCIAL GATHERINGS.

"PEOPLE MUST BE INFORMED, EDUCATED ON HOW THEIR OWN IN- DIVIDUAL ACTIONS, OVER WHICH THEY EXERCISE CONTROL, CAN HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF AIDS IN NAMIBIA," HE SAID.

ACCORDING TO "THE NAMIBIAN" NEWSPAPER, 396 AIDS CASES HAVE BEEN REPORTED IN THE COUNTRY, BUT THE REAL NUMBER OF AIDS CASES IS THREE TIMES HIGHER THAN THE OFFICIAL STATISTICS.

"THE TIMES OF NAMIBIA" REPORTED THAT 29 OUT OF 1,000 PEOPLE IN NAMIBIA WERE AFFECTED WITH HIV VIRUS.

THE AIDS AWARENESS WEEK IS ORGANIZED BY THE NATIONAL AIDS CONTROL PROGRAM WHICH HAS BEEN STAFFED BY VOLUNTEERS. THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) AND THE NAMIBIAN GOVERNMENT HAVE FUNDED THE PROGRAM.

WHO REPRESENTATIVE IN NAMIBIA DAVID TEMBO SAID THAT THIS WEEK IS ALSO PART OF THE GLOBAL PROGRAM ON AIDS.

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#90253h0084 09/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 10) XINHUA - SOUTH CHINA'S GUANGDONG PROVINCE GAVE AWARDS TO 299 OUTSTANDING TEACHERS RECENTLY ON THE EVE OF "TEACHERS DAY", THE

"PEOPLE'S DAILY" REPORTED.

ACCORDING TO A LOCAL OFFICIAL, THE LIVING STANDARDS OF TEACHERS IN THE PROVINCE HAVE IMPROVED GREATLY OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS. FOR INSTANCE, 4.7 BILLION YUAN HAS BEEN RAISED TO BUILD 26.33 MILLION SQ M OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS, AND REPAIR OR REBUILD 11.2 MILLION SQ M OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

MEANWHILE, EAST CHINA'S SHANDONG PROVINCE CHOSE 20 HOUSEHOLDS AS "OUTSTANDING EDUCATIONAL FAMILIES" IN AN EFFORT TO ENCOURAGE MORE TEACHERS TO DEVOTE THEIR WHOLE LIVES TO EDUCATION.

IN HUBEI PROVINCE A TOTAL OF 68 TEACHERS WERE AWARDED THE TITLE OF "PROVINCIAL TEACHERS SPECIAL CLASS" LAST FRIDAY.

NORTHEAST CHINA'S HEILONGJIANG PROVINCE HAS ISSUED CERTIFICATES AND BONUSES TO SIX PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS WHO HAVE BEEN TEACHING IN THE PROVINCE'S RURAL AND REMOTE AREAS.

STATE COUNCILLOR AND MINISTER OF THE STATE EDUCATION COMMISSION LI TIEYING MINISTER OF THE STATE PHYSICAL CULTURE AND SPORTS COMMISSION WU SHAOZU, AND MINISTER OF CONSTRUCTION LIN HANXIONG RETURNED TO THEIR OLD SCHOOL -- THE BEIJING YUCAI SCHOOL -- YESTERDAY TO CONGRATULATE THEIR OLD HEADMISTRESS, XIE ZHAO, ON HER 100TH BIRTHDAY.

LI TIEYING USED THE CHANCE TO EXTEND GREETINGS ON BEHALF OF THE STATE EDUCATION COMMISSION TO ALL TEACHERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY ON TEACHERS DAY.

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#90253h0085 09/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 10) XINHUA - CHINA'S NONCOMMUNIST PARTIES AND NON-PARTY PERSONAGES WITH PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND ENTHUSIASM FOR EDUCATION WILL BE INVITED TO STUDY EDUCATIONAL POLICY AND REGULATIONS, AND INSPECT THE EDUCATIONAL QUALITY OF VARIOUS KINDS OF SCHOOLS, ACCORDING TO TODAY'S "GUANGMING DAILY".

THE PAPER REPORTED THAT THE BEIJING MUNICIPALITY HAS DECIDED TO ADOPT MORE PRACTICAL MEASURES THIS YEAR TO IMPROVE EDUCATION, WHICH INCLUDE:

-- THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT WILL ALLOCATE 1.5 MILLION YUAN (ABOUT 300,000 U.S.DOLLARS) TO LAUNCH A PILOT REFORM OF THE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM OF VARIOUS SORTS OF SCHOOLS UNDER THE BEIJING MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION.

-- ALL BEIJING'S ENTERPRISES AND INSTITUTIONS SHOULD PROVIDE PREFERENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS SO AS TO LET THEM PARTICIPATE IN PRODUCTION AND SOCIAL PRACTICE.

-- THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT WILL ALLOCATE A SPECIAL FUND OF THREE MILLION YUAN TO CONSTRUCT A MILITARY TRAINING BASE FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS AND TWO OR THREE FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS.

-- IT WILL ALSO ALLOCATE THREE MILLION YUAN TO BUILD TECHNICAL SCHOOLS AND TEACHER TRAINING CENTERS, AS WELL AS SIX MILLION YUAN FOR VOCATIONAL SCHOOL RENOVATION.

-- PRIMARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS WILL BE GIVEN PRIORITY IN THE USE OF STADIUMS AND GYMNASIUMS IN THE MUNICIPAL AREA AFTER THE 11TH ASIAN GAMES.

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#90253h0086 09/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 10) XINHUA - THE VALUE OF TRADE BETWEEN THAILAND AND CANADA IS EXPECTED TO REACH 18,900 MILLION BAHT (ABOUT 756 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) THIS YEAR, AN INCREASE OF 14 PERCENT AS COMPARED WITH THAT OF LAST YEAR.

ACCORDING TO THE LATEST REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC BUSINESS DEPARTMENT, THAILAND'S EXPORTS TO CANADA ARE EXPECTED TO INCREASE BY 14 PERCENT TO 8,700 MILLION BAHT (ABOUT 348 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) WHILE IMPORTS FROM CANADA ARE ALSO EXPECTED TO INCREASE BY 14 PERCENT TO 10,200 MILLION BAHT (ABOUT 408 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

AS A RESULT, THAILAND WILL SUFFER A TRADE DEFICIT OF 1,500 MILLION BAHT (ABOUT 60 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), AN INCREASE OF 20 PERCENT OVER LAST YEAR.

THAI EXPORTS TO CANADA ARE MAINLY MANUFACTURED GOODS, ACCOUNTING FOR 85 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL, FOLLOWED BY AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

THAILAND'S IMPORTS FROM CANADA ARE MAINLY SEMI-FINISHED PRODUCTS, ACCOUNTING FOR 70 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL.

DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS, THE BILATERAL TRADE BETWEEN THAILAND AND CANADA HAS BEEN INCREASING. THE TRADE VALUE INCREASED FROM 5,470 MILLION BAHT (ABOUT 218.8 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN 1985 TO 16,583 MILLION BAHT (ABOUT 663.32 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN 1989.

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#90253h0093 09/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 10) XINHUA - A QUANTITY OF VIDEO CAMERAS WORTH ABOUT 800,000 H.K. DOLLARS (102,564 U.S. DOLLARS) WERE FOUND STOLEN FROM A COMPANY HERE TODAY.

HONG KONG POLICE SAID THAT THE BURGLARY CASE CAME TO LIGHT AT ABOUT 09:00 AM (LOCAL TIME) WHEN A STAFF MEMBER RETURNED TO THE COMPANY IN KWUN TONG,

KOWLOON.

IT IS BELIEVED THAT BURGLARS MIGHT HAVE ENTERED THE PREMISES BY FORCING OPEN THE MAIN DOOR OF THE COMPANY'S WAREHOUSE AND ESCAPED WITH MORE THAN 100 VIDEO CAMERAS.

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#90253h0106 09/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

FUZHOU (SEPT. 10) XINHUA - AT LEAST 19 PERSONS HAVE BEEN KILLED AND 20 INJURED IN FUJIAN PROVINCE IN THE PAST THREE DAYS IN THE WAKE OF AN ONSLAUGHT BY TYPHOON DOT.

A LOCAL OFFICIAL SAID THAT THOUSANDS OF HOUSES HAVE BEEN DAMAGED AND MANY ELECTRICITY POLES AND TREES UPROOTED.

AFTER ENTERING THE TAIWAN STRAIT THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY, DOT CONTINUED WEST-NORTH-WEST TO REACH THE COAST OF FUJIAN IN THE LATE AFTERNOON.

AT PRESENT, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS ORGANIZING THE PEOPLE AND SOLDIERS TO RESCUE THE VICTIMS AND REPAIR THE DAMAGE, THE OFFICIAL SAID.

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#90253h0108 09/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (SEPT. 10) XINHUA - THE FIRST FREE TRADE ZONE ON THE CHINESE MAINLAND WILL SOON BE SET UP IN SHANGHAI'S PUDONG DEVELOPMENT AREA.

THIS WAS ANNOUNCED AT A NEWS BRIEFING HOSTED TODAY BY THE SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT.

THE FREE TRADE ZONE WILL BE LOCATED IN WAIGAOQIAO AT THE NORTHEASTERN TIP OF THE PUDONG AREA.

RUAN YANHUA, GENERAL MANAGER OF THE FREE TRADE ZONE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, SAID THAT IN THE FIRST PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE ZONE, A 3.28 SQ KM AREA WILL BE DEVELOPED BETWEEN 1991 AND 1995; IT WILL BE EXPANDED TO 10 SQ KM BY THE YEAR 2000.

IN THE FIRST FIVE-YEAR PERIOD, A TOTAL INVESTMENT OF ONE BILLION YUAN WILL BE REQUIRED, INCLUDING A STATE ALLOCATION. LOANS AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT WILL ALSO BE SOUGHT.

THE GENERAL MANAGER SAID HE WELCOMES FOREIGN BUSINESSMEN AND BUSINESSMEN FROM HONG KONG, MACAO AND TAIWAN TO INVEST IN THE ZONE'S INFRASTRUCTURE, AND IN THE ENTREPOT TRADE, PROCESSING FOR EXPORT, BONDED STORING AND TRANSPORTATION SECTORS.

THIS YEAR, RUAN SAID, THE PLANS OF THE ZONE WILL BE DRAWN UP AND INTERNATIONAL BIDDING INVITED.

-30- 1256

#90253h0113 09/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 10) XINHUA - NTD PATENT AGENCY LTD. OF HONG KONG, A NON-GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY OFFERING SERVICE IN LEGAL AFFAIRS AND TECHNOLOGY ACTIVITIES, WAS RECENTLY DESIGNATED AS AN AGENCY HANDLING TRADEMARK APPLICATIONS FILED IN CHINA.

THIS IS ONE OF THE FIVE TRADEMARK AGENCIES DESIGNATED BY THE STATE ADMINISTRATION FOR INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE OF CHINA. THOSE FOREIGN FIRMS WHO WANT TO INVEST IN CHINA OR DEVELOP TRADE WITH IT CAN FREELY CHOOSE ANY ONE OF THE FIVE AGENCIES.

GE BO, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE NTD PATENT AGENCY LTD., SAID AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE TODAY THAT THE PROTECTION OF INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY INCLUDING PATENT AND TRADEMARK IS AN IMPORTANT CONDITION FOR PROMOTING FOREIGN INVESTMENT AND TECHNICAL TRADE.

HE SAID IN ORDER TO PROTECT FAIR COMPETITION AND THE LEGAL RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF INVENTORS, SINCE THE VERY BEGINNING OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PATENT SYSTEM, CHINA HAS CARRIED OUT A MULTIPLE AGENCY SYSTEM.

HE NOTED THAT THE STATE COUNCIL OF CHINA HAS DESIGNATED FOUR FOREIGN-RELATED PATENT AGENCIES, SO FOREIGN PATENT APPLICANTS MAY CHOOSE ANY ONE OF THE FOUR AGENCIES ACCORDING TO THEIR OWN INTERESTS.

THE NTD PATENT AGENCY LTD. IS ONE OF THE FOUR FOREIGN-RELATED PATENT AGENCIES DESIGNATED BY THE STATE COUNCIL. IT HAS ITS HEAD OFFICE IN HONG KONG, AND BRANCH OFFICES IN BEIJING AND SHEZHEN.

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#90253h0133 09/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 10) XINHUA - AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE EXPLODED IN THE MAIN BUS TERMINAL IN TEL AVIV TODAY, AN ISRAELI SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED.

THE SPOKESMAN DID NOT DISCLOSE THE DAMAGE OR THE CASUALTIES CAUSED BY THE EXPLOSION.

HOWEVER, HE SAID POLICE AND BORDER GUARDS RUSHED TO THE PLACE AND ARRESTED SEVERAL PALESTINIANS.

HE NOTED THAT A SIMILAR DEVICE WAS DEFUSED IN THE WEST BANK TOWN OF RAMALLA.

CLASHES BETWEEN PALESTINIANS AND ISRAELI ARMY TROOPS WERE ALSO REPORTED TODAY IN SEVERAL REFUGEE CAMPS AND VILLAGES IN THE OCCUPIED WEST BANK, WHERE PALESTINIANS BROKE WINDSHIELDS OF ISRAELI ARMY VEHICLES.

REPORTS FROM THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES SAID THAT THE ISRAELI AUTHORITIES ARRESTED 70 PALESTINIANS WITHIN THE PAST 24 HOURS IN THE OCCUPIED WEST BANK AND GAZA STRIP.

-30- 958

#90253k0062 09/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 10) KYODO - HANWA CO. SAID MONDAY IT HAS SIGNED A MARKETING AND DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT WITH UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. OF THE UNITED STATES TO SELL HIGH-OUTPUT COMMERCIAL LASERS IN JAPAN.

HANWA OFFICIALS SAID IT WILL MARKET FOUR VERSIONS OF UNITED TECHNOLOGIES' COMMERCIAL CARBON DIOXIDE GAS LASERS.

UNITED TECHNOLOGIES IS A MANUFACTURER OF JET ENGINES, HELICOPTERS, AND AUTOMOBILE PARTS BASED IN HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.

LASERS WITH A MAXIMUM 10-KILOWATT OUTPUT ARE CURRENTLY BEING USED IN JAPAN MAINLY FOR DRILLING HOLES AND CUTTING THIN METAL SHEETS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

UNITED TECHNOLOGIES' LASERS RANGING FROM SIX TO 45 KILOWATTS IN OUTPUT WILL ENABLE MAJOR MANUFACTURERS TO CUT COSTS ON WELDING AND HEAT TREATMENT PROCESSES, THEY SAID.

HANWA PLANS TO MARKET THE LASERS TO STEEL AND METAL MANUFACTURERS, HEAVY ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT MAKERS, SHIPBUILDERS, AND AUTOMAKERS. THE COMPANY FORESEES SALES OF 1.5 BILLION YEN IN THE FIRST YEAR.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 10) KYODO - THE SHARE OF FOREIGN MICROCHIPS IN THE JAPANESE SEMICONDUCTOR MARKET IN THE SAME QUARTER WAS ALSO A RECORD HIGH AT 17.5 PERCENT, UP 0.3 PERCENTAGE POINT FROM THE PRECEDING THREE MONTHS.

THE OFFICIALS SAID DEMAND FOR CHIPS PICKED UP MARKEDLY IN THE SECOND QUARTER AFTER A SLUMP IN THE FIRST QUARTER.

THE LATEST FIGURES ARE GOOD NEWS TO THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT AND CHIP MAKERS, WHICH ARE UNDER PRESSURE FROM THE UNITED STATES TO BUY MORE AMERICAN-MADE SEMICONDUCTORS.

THE U.S. HAS BEEN DEMANDING THAT THE FOREIGN SHARE IN THE JAPANESE CHIP

MARKET BE RAISED TO 20 PERCENT BY JULY 1991 TO REDRESS THE LOPSIDED BALANCE OF TRADE IN COMPUTER CHIPS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 10) KYODO - BUSINESS ACTIVITY IN JAPAN'S SERVICE SECTOR REMAINED STRONG IN THE SECOND QUARTER OF 1990 ON ROBUST PERSONAL CONSUMPTION AND HEALTHY CORPORATE CAPITAL SPENDING, MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) SAID IN A REPORT MONDAY.

THE INDEX OF ACTIVITY IN THE SERVICE SECTOR IN THE APRIL-JUNE PERIOD STOOD AT 131.6, UP 7.2 PERCENT FROM THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR WITH 1985 AS THE BASE, THE REPORT SAID.

THE FIGURE REPRESENTS A 1.2 PERCENT CLIMB FROM THE PREVIOUS QUARTER, IT SAID.

THE 7.2 PERCENT YEAR-ON-YEAR UPSWING IN THE SECOND QUARTER FOLLOWED A 4.2 PERCENT ADVANCE IN THE JANUARY-MARCH PERIOD, THE REPORT SAID.

THE DISTRIBUTION AND RESTAURANT SECTORS WERE ESPECIALLY STRONG WITH A 10.1 PERCENT RISE IN THE INDEX FROM A YEAR EARLIER.

ALL OTHER CATEGORIES OF SERVICE BUSINESS EXCEPT REAL ESTATE AND PUBLIC SERVICES ALSO GREW BRISKLY, POSTING 5.6 PERCENT TO 7.8 PERCENT GAINS.

THE EXPANSION IN REAL ESTATE WAS A PALTRY 0.8 PERCENT AS SALES OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY AND APARTMENT HOUSES SLACKENED, THE REPORT SAID.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 10) KYODO - THE FINANCE MINISTRY SAID ON MONDAY IT HAS DECIDED NOT TO SELL STATE-OWNED NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. (NTT) SHARES IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1991.

PRICES OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONGLOMERATE, WHICH WENT PRIVATE IN 1985, PLUNGED TO A RECORD LOW 849,000 YEN LATE LASTMONTH, DOWN FROM 1.19 MILLION YEN PER SHARE WHEN IT WAS INITIALLY OFFERED TO THE PUBLIC IN FISCAL 1989.

NTT SHARES, THE MOST EXPENSIVE ON THE TOKYO STOCK EXCHANGE, CLOSED MONDAY AT 881,000 YEN, UP 21,000 YEN FROM FRIDAY'S FINISH.

THE MINISTRY, WHICH PLANNED TO SELL ABOUT TWO MILLION NTT SHARES THIS FISCAL YEAR, SAID THE DECLINE IN THE STOCK MARKET STEMMING FROM THE CRISIS IN THE PERSIAN GULF ACCELERATED THE DEPRECIATION OF NTT STOCK.

THE 225-ISSUE NIKKEI STOCK AVERAGE PLUMMETED TO 23,737.63 YEN ON AUGUST 23
 ITS LOWEST POINT FOR THE YEAR.

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KOBE (SEPT. 10) KYODO - THE KOBE DISTRICT COURT ON MONDAY SENTENCED TWO SOUTH KOREAN SAILORS TO PRISON TERMS FOR SMUGGLING ABOUT 12 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE WITH A STREET VALUE OF ABOUT 840 MILLION YEN INTO JAPAN FROM COLOMBIA.

KIM KI CHIN, 45, WAS SENTENCED TO EIGHT YEARS' IMPRISONMENT WITH AN 800,000 YEN FINE WHILE HA TAE CHONG, 43, WAS SENTENCED TO FOUR YEARS IN JAIL AND A 400,000 YEN FINE.

KIM AND HA TO SMUGGLED THE COCAINE INTO JAPAN FROM COLOMBIA BY SHIP AND HANDED THE COCAINE TO A JAPANESE ELECTRIC APPLIANCE AGENT WHEN THE SHIP ARRIVED IN KOBE PORT IN JULY LAST YEAR.

BUT THE AGENT, WHO IS ALSO ON TRIAL, THREW THE COCAINE INTO THE SEA WHEN CUSTOMS OFFICERS QUESTIONED HIM. THE COCAINE WAS CONTAINED IN A BAG LATER FOUND FLOATING IN THE WATER.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 10) KYODO - INDONESIAN ENERGY AND MINING MINISTER GINANDJAR KARTASASMITA SAID MONDAY HE BELIEVES IT IS DIFFICULT FOR INDONESIA TO IMMEDIATELY BOOST ITS OIL SUPPLY TO JAPAN, BUT HOPED THE COUNTRY CAN DO SO OVER THE NEXT YEAR.

''HOPEFULLY, WE WILL INCREASE OUR SUPPLY TO JAPAN IN THE COMING MONTHS. ... HOWEVER, WE ALSO HAVE TO BEAR IN MIND THAT THERE ARE OTHER COUNTRIES WHO ALSO ASK FOR MORE OIL FROM INDONESIA, LIKE KOREA, THE PHILIPPINES, INDIA, AND PAKISTAN. I THINK THEIR PROBLEMS ARE MUCH BIGGER THAN THE PROBLEMS THAT THE JAPANESE FACE, BECAUSE YOU HAVE PLENTY OF STOCKS,'' GINANDJAR TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE.

BUT HE PREDICTED INDONESIA CAN INCREASE OIL SUPPLY TO JAPAN IN THE NEXT YEAR, BOOSTING OUTPUT TO 1.42-1.45 MILLION BARRELS PER DAY (BPD), AGAINST THE CURRENT 1.28 MILLION BPD.

IN A BID TO EASE MOUNTING PRESSURES ON THE OIL MARKET AFTER IRAQ'S INVASION AND ANNEXATION OF KUWAIT, INDONESIA HAS ANNOUNCED THAT IT WILL IMMEDIATELY INCREASE ITS OIL OUTPUT BY 100,000 BPD. HE SAID HIS COUNTRY PLANS TO PRODUCE AN EXTRA 500,000 BPD FROM THE NEXT YEAR.

GINANDJAR, IN TOKYO AFTER A VISIT TO SOUTH KOREA, SAID IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO

ARREST SURGING OIL PRICES NOW, AND THE SUPPLY-DEMAND BALANCE IS EXPECTED TO TIGHTEN TOWARD WINTER.

''PRICES WILL GO MUCH HIGHER. THEY WILL NOT GO DOWN, AT LEAST,'' HE SAID.

AT FULL CAPACITY THE OIL PRODUCTION BY THE ORGANIZATION OF PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES (OPEC), EXCLUDING IRAQ AND KUWAIT, TOTALS AN ESTIMATED 21.5 MILLION BPD, FAR BELOW THE 24.5 MILLION BPD DEMAND PREDICTED FOR WINTER, HE SAID.

HE SAID IT IS NOT LIKELY FOR OIL PRICES TO RETURN TO THE 20 DOLLAR LEVEL.

GINANDJAR ALSO SAID HE DOES NOT EXPECT ANOTHER MEETING OF THE OPEC COUNTRIES BEFORE DECEMBER, IF THE GULF CRISIS REMAINS UNSOLVED.

BUT IF THE CRISIS IS SETTLED, THERE WILL HAVE TO BE A MEETING OF MEMBER STATES TO RETURN TO OIL PRODUCTION QUOTAS AGREED AT OPEC'S GENERAL MEETING IN JULY.

SHORTLY AFTER THE ERUPTION OF THE GULF TURMOIL, THE OIL CARTEL AGREED TO ABANDON THE JULY ACCORD AND ALLOWED MEMBERS TO PRODUCE AT FULL CAPACITY IN ORDER TO MAKE UP FOR THE SUPPLY SHORTAGE FROM INTERNATIONAL EMBARGOES AGAINST IRAQ AND KUWAIT.

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KATHMANDU (SEPT. 10) KYODO - KING BIRENDRA OF NEPAL WAS PRESENTED WITH THE DRAFT OF NEPAL'S NEW CONSTITUTION BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CONSTITUTION RECOMMENDATIONS COMMISSION, BISWANATH UPADHYAYA, AT THE NARAYANHITY ROYAL PALACE ON MONDAY.

THE KING THEN HANDED THE DRAFT TO PRIME MINISTER KRISHNA PRASAD BHATTARAI FOR STUDY BY THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

THE DRAFT WILL GO BACK TO THE KING LATER FOR PROMULGATION. THE PRESENTATION WAS ATTENDED BY GOVERNMENT MINISTERS, MEMBERS OF THE CONSTITUTION PANEL, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED LEFT FRONT AND HEADS OF CONSTITUTIONAL BODIES.

THE COMMUNISTS WHO HAD EARLIER DECIDED NOT TO ATTEND REVERSED THEIR POLICY AT THE LAST MINUTE.

NO OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT HAS BEEN MADE ON THE TIMING OF THE PROMULGATION OF THE NEW CONSTITUTION BY THE KING.

AFTER RECEIVING THE DRAFT, THE KING THANKED THE COMMISSION CHAIRMAN FOR COMPLETING THE FRAMING OF THE NEW CONSTITUTION DESPITE DIFFICULT

CIRCUMSTANCES.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 10) KYODO - BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY DOUGLAS HURD ON MONDAY ENDED A DAY OF TALKS WITH JAPANESE GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS LEADERS BY EMPHASIZING THE NEED FOR FURTHER JAPANESE CONTRIBUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS IN THE PERSIAN GULF REGION.

''I KNOW THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WILL CONSIDER WHAT ELSE CAN BE DONE,'' HURD TOLD BUSINESS LEADERS IN A SPEECH AT THE POWERFUL FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS (KEIDANREN).

''IT WOULD BE WRONG FOR US TO LEAVE THE UNITED STATES TO SHOULDER THE WHOLE BURDEN OF DEFENDING OUR COLLECTIVE INTERESTS,'' HE ADDED.

HURD'S MEETING EARLIER IN THE DAY WITH FOREIGN MINISTER TARO NAKAYAMA PRODUCED A JOINT STATEMENT CONDEMNING IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT AND EXHORTING ALL COUNTRIES TO MAKE ''THE MAXIMUM POSSIBLE CONTRIBUTION'' TO THE INTERNATIONAL FORCES DEPLOYED IN THE GULF REGION.

NAKAYAMA WAS QUOTED BY FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS AS TELLING HURD THAT JAPAN IS MAKING ''MAXIMUM EFFORTS'' WITHIN THE CONSTRAINTS OF ITS WAR-RENOUNCING CONSTITUTION AND HOPES TO ENACT NEW LEGISLATION WHICH WOULD ENABLE IT TO BETTER RESPOND TO INTERNATIONAL CRISES IN THE FUTURE.

''I THINK ITS A GOOD START,'' HURD LATER TOLD REPORTERS IN REFERENCE TO TOKYO'S PLEDGE OF 1 BILLION DOLLARS IN SUPPORT OF THE MULTINATIONAL FORCES 22 MILLION DOLLARS IN EVACUEE RELIEF ASSISTANCE, AND AN AS-YET-UNSPECIFIED AMOUNT OF ECONOMIC AID FOR EGYPT, JORDAN, AND TURKEY.

BUT HURD SAID HE HAD SUGGESTED TO NAKAYAMA AND PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU THAT JAPAN REMAIN ''FLEXIBLE'' WITH REGARD TO THE SIZE OF ITS CONTRIBUTION, ''AS THE QUANTITY OF WHAT IS NEEDED INCREASES DAY BY DAY.''

THE TWO FOREIGN MINISTERS ALSO ISSUED A JOINT STATEMENT CALLING FOR TOP-LEVEL ''POLITICAL COMMITMENT'' TO ENSURE THE SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF THE URUGUAY ROUND OF MULTILATERAL TRADE TALKS BY THE END OF DECEMBER.

ON THE ISSUE OF AID TO COUNTRIES IN EASTERN EUROPE, OFFICIALS SAID NAKAYAMA AGREED WITH HURD'S PROPOSAL FOR BRITAIN AND JAPAN TO OPEN UP A DIALOGUE FOR COLLABORATION ON ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS.

''ITS CLEAR TO ME THAT BOTH BRITAIN AND JAPAN HAVE THINGS WHICH WE CAN CONTRIBUTE TO JOINT PROJECTS TO HELP THESE NEWLY DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES,'' HURD TOLD REPORTERS. ;;MORE NNNN R158 R CA15 R :LEADALL HURD 2 TOKYO:

OFFICIALS SAID NAKAYAMA INFORMED HURD HE WOULD DISPATCH A TEAM OF AID EXPERTS TO LONDON IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO EXPLORE THE PROSPECTS FOR ANGLO-JAPANESE COOPERATION IN THE AREA, OFFICIALS SAID.

HURD EXPLAINED THAT BRITAIN ALREADY HAS A WELL-DEVELOPED SCHEME FOR PROVIDING WESTERN KNOW-HOW TO POLAND, HUNGARY, AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA IN SUCH AREAS AS FINANCE, DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL BUSINESSES, AND MANAGEMENT TRAINING.

''WE WILL DISCUSS IN DETAIL WITH THE JAPANESE SPECIFIC PROJECTS IN THOSE THREE COUNTRIES AND OTHERS WHERE JAPAN AND BRITAIN COULD CONTRIBUTE SKILLS TOGETHER,'' HE SAID.

NAKAYAMA AND HURD ALSO AGREED IN PRINCIPLE ON A SCHEME FOR JAPANESE BUSINESS ENTERPRISES IN BRITAIN TO RECEIVE BUSINESS PERSONS FROM EASTERN EUROPE FOR BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT TRAINING.

SEVERAL MAJOR JAPANESE CORPORATIONS IN BRITAIN HAVE ALREADY AGREED TO ACCEPT THE TRAINEES AND THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) HAS REQUESTED FUNDS FOR THE SCHEME TO BE ALLOCATED IN ITS BUDGET FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING APRIL.

OFFICIALS SAID IT WAS DECIDED IT WOULD BE MORE COST-EFFECTIVE TO HAVE THE TRAINEES STUDY AT JAPANESE ENTERPRISES IN BRITAIN RATHER THAN IN JAPAN DUE TO ITS GEOGRAPHICAL PROXIMITY. LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL DIFFICULTIES COULD ALSO BE CIRCUMVENTED, THEY ADDED.

OUT OF CONCERN FOR THE STABILITY OF HONG KONG AHEAD OF ITS REVERSION TO CHINA IN 1997, HURD EMPHASIZED THE NEED FOR JAPAN AND OTHER COUNTRIES TO AVOID GIVING ANY APPEARANCE OF HAVING LOST FAITH IN ITS FUTURE.

PROMOTING THE CONCEPT OF A ''TRIALOGUE'' IN HIS KEIDANREN ADDRESS, HURD CALLED FOR ''BETTER MECHANISMS OF CONSULTATION INVOLVING THE UNITED STATES EUROPE AND JAPAN.''

HURD SAID THE PROPOSED CONSULTATIONS SHOULD BE REGULAR ONES WITH THE GROUP-OF-SEVEN (G-7) FORUM SERVING AS THE CORE, ''WITHOUT CREATING A NEW BUREAUCRACY.''

''WE WOULD LIKE IT TO BE A MORE SUBSTANTIVE FORUM, SO THAT JAPAN'S VOICE CAN BE HEARD MORE DISTINCTLY AND HER PERSPECTIVE ON THE WORLD REFLECTED MORE CLEARLY,'' HE SAID.

OFFICIALS SAID NAKAYAMA AND HURD SHARED THE VIEW THAT BILATERAL RELATIONS ENJOY ''UNPRECEDENTEDLY GOOD CONDITIONS'' PARTLY BECAUSE THORNY BILATERAL ECONOMIC DISPUTES OF THE RECENT PAST HAVE NOW BEEN RESOLVED.

HURD HAILED THE FACT THAT BRITISH EXPORTS TO JAPAN INCREASED 30 PERCENT LAST YEAR AND ARE APPROACHING THE GOAL OF DOUBLING OVER A THREE-YEAR

PERIOD TO 3 BILLION POUNDS STERLING A YEAR, ''A VERY SATISFACTORY INCREASE.''

BUT HE CALLED FOR INCREASED ACCESS TO THE JAPANESE MARKET FOR BRITISH AEROSPACE INDUSTRY PRODUCTS.

HURD SAID THE DOORS OF BRITAIN REMAIN WIDE OPEN TO JAPANESE INVESTMENT AND NOTED THAT BRITAIN HAS SO FAR SUCCEEDED IN ATTRACTING 138 JAPANESE COMPANIES WHICH HAVE INVESTED A TOTAL OF 3.5 BILLION POUNDS.

AS FOR OTHER JAPANESE COMPANIES STILL CONTEMPLATING THE MOVE, HE SAID, ''THEY WILL FIND THE WELCOME NOTICE CLEARLY DISPLAYED ON THE WHITE CLIFFS OF DOVER.''

HURD WELCOMED THE EXPANSION OF CULTURAL EXCHANGES AND HAILED THE COMMENCEMENT ON MONDAY OF THE UK '90 PROGRAM, IN WHICH SOME 120 EVENTS WILL BE HELD IN JAPAN TO INTRODUCE BRITISH CULTURE AND LIFESTYLE TO THE JAPANESE PEOPLE.

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SHANGHAI (SEPT. 10) KYODO - THE MAYOR OF SHANGHAI SAID MONDAY THE CITY WILL ALLOW FOREIGN BANKS TO OPEN BRANCHES IN ITS EASTERN DISTRICT OF PUDONG.

FOREIGN EXPORT AND HIGH-TECHNOLOGY ENTERPRISES WILL BE WELCOME IN THE 350-SQUARE KILOMETER DISTRICT, MAYOR ZHU RONGJI ANNOUNCED IN A NEWS CONFERENCE. SENIOR CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WERE ALSO PRESENT AT THE MEDIA GATHERING.

THE MAYOR SAID ENTERPRISES WILL ENJOY INCOME TAX BREAKS AS AN INCENTIVE TO SET UP BUSINESS IN THE AREA, ADDING THAT THE TERMS WOULD BE SIMILAR TO THOSE OFFERED FOR THE SHENZHEN AND AMOY SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES.

ZHU SAID THE NEW POLICY WILL ALLOW FOREIGN BANKS TO OPEN BRANCHES OR SET UP JOINT BANKS WITH CHINESE BANKS IN THE PUDONG DISTRICT.

THE POLICY ENCOURAGES THE INTRODUCTION OF FOREIGN CAPITAL FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF INDUSTRIAL INFRASTRUCTURE LIKE AIR AND SEA PORTS AS WELL AS ROADS IN THE DISTRICT.

ZHU SAID FOREIGN BANKS WHICH ESTABLISHED A REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE MORE THAN THREE YEARS AGO AND ARE GIVEN A PERMIT TO OPERATE BY THE PEOPLE'S BANK OF CHINA MAY SET UP A HEAD OFFICE IN THE PUDONG DISTRICT IF TOTAL ASSETS EXCEED 10 BILLION DOLLARS. A BRANCH OFFICE CAN OPEN THERE IF TOTAL ASSETS EXCEED 20 BILLION DOLLARS.

FOREIGN BANKS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO OPEN BRANCHES IN MAINLAND CHINA EXCEPT IN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES LIKE SHENZHEN.

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ULAN BATOR (SEPT. 10) KYODO - MONGOLIAN PRESIDENT PUNSALMAAGIYN OCHIRBAT ON MONDAY APPOINTED FIRST DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER DASHIYN BYAMBASUREN AS PRIME MINISTER OF A NEW REFORM GOVERNMENT AT THE GREAT PEOPLE'S HURAL, OR UPPER HOUSE OF PARLIAMENT.

OCHIRBAT APPOINTED BYAMBASUREN AS PRIME MINISTER APPARENTLY FOR HIS EXPERTISE IN ECONOMICS IN HOPES OF REBUILDING THE NATION'S ECONOMY.

THE 48-YEAR-OLD PRIME MINISTER WILL APPOINT HIS CABINET MEMBERS. BYAMBASUREN WAS APPOINTED AS DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER LAST DECEMBER AND WAS PROMOTED TO FIRST DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER IN MARCH.

HE VISITED JAPAN IN MAY TO STUDY BUSINESS MANAGEMENT WHILE HAVING VISITED THE UNITED STATES AND WEST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 10) KYODO - SAUDI ARABIA WILL PARTLY CANCEL ITS EARLIER DECISION TO SUSPEND IT SUPPLY OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND WILL SHIP THEM TO JAPAN AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER AS ORIGINALLY CONTRACTED, JAPANESE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID MONDAY.

FOLLOWING THE AUGUST 2 IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT, SAUDI ARABIA ANNOUNCED THAT IT WOULD STOP SHIPMENTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS SUCH AS KEROSENE AND GAS OIL FROM ITS JUBAIL OIL REFINERY IN SEPTEMBER. THE COUNTRY SAID IT HAS TO SUPPLY FUEL FOR THE U.S. MILITARY FORCES STATIONED IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

THE REASON FOR THE DECISION IS NOT YET KNOWN, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCES, BUT IT IS PROBABLY BECAUSE THE COUNTRY HAS AMPLE STOCKS OF OIL PRODUCTS FOR SUPPLY TO THE U.S. FORCES, THEY SAID.

THEY SAID THE U.S. MILITARY HAS BEEN BUYING FUEL IN MANY DIFFERENT PLACES SUCH SINGAPORE, BUT THAT IT MIGHT HAVE A SURPLUS SINCE NO MILITARY CONFLICT HAS OCCURRED SO FAR.

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MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stock prices are higher and crude oil is lower this morning in the wake of the Helsinki summit. ... In Tokyo, the Nikkei surges 1119 points, more than 4.5%. points at midday. ... U.S. stock prices are also higher overseas with the EXMI up about 1.50. ... Gold is lower and the dollar is mixed. ... GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER CO. says it expects to lose $65 million in the third-quarter and will lay off 1,180 people in Europe by mid-1992. ... MANVILLE has agreed to put up to $520 million into a trust fund to pay thousands of asbestos health claims. ... BANKAMERICA CORP. says it has acquired the 88 retail branches and assets and liabilities of the failed BENJAMIN FRANKLIN S&L.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

Budget negotiators resume talks this morning at Andrews Air Force Base after reporting little progress last night in three straight days of talks. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT releases second-quarter manufacturers profits later today and the FEDERAL RESERVE issues July consumer credit figures. ... PRESIDENT BUSH addresses a joint session of Congress Tuesday night on the Persian Gulf situation. ... On Thursday, the COMMERCE DEPARTMENT issues July housing completions, manufacturers put out auto sales figures for the first 10 days of September and FED CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN testifies before the HOUSE BANKING COMMITTEE on deposit insurance reform. ... On Friday, the LABOR DEPARTMENT releases the producer price index for August, COMMERCE reports on retail sales and the FED issues industrial production and capacity utilization figures.

FROM THE BULLS:

"There is so much bearishness I think the stock market is setting up for a dynamite move up," says GLENN CUTLER, editor of "Market Mania" newsletter. "Almost every sentiment indicator ... is flashing market bottom. I hear so many people bragging about what they've 1 shorted. The crowd is always on the wrong side of the market." ("Investor's Daily", 9/10)

"I'm bullish on the market here [this morning]," says EUGENE PERONI JR. of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT, who believes the technical elements are in place for a gain in stock prices through the end of this quarter and into the next. Peroni thinks the August 22 Dow of 2484 represented an oversold extreme and says the current technical configuration around 2600 has "very bullish characteristics." Peroni is also encouraged by the high level of bearish sentiment and hopes volume does not pick up because that would indicate investors are turning optimistic too soon. "I think we need to see further skepticism." (FNN "World Business Update", 9/10)

"This has to be a buying opportunity," says GERALD JORDAN of HELLMAN-JORDAN MANAGEMENT CO. "Even if we are going into a depression, we have to rally first. The market is already discounting a doubling of the price of oil, war, a recession and higher interest rates. The risk has been taken out of the stock market." (NYT, 9/9)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I think we have only just begun [the market decline]," says financial journalist JAMES GRANT. "What makes me bearish is not so much the goings on in the Persian Gulf. I think this has precious little to do with the Middle East. I think it concerns events in Japan. ... The Japanese have suffered a terrific loss of wealth with the break in their stock market, and the significance in that is that the Japanese have been the marginal providers of bank credit to the world." He says as the Japanese banks "pull in their horns," it has an impact on the rest of the world. "They have spent their last billion on Pebble Beach." ("Wall Street Week", 9/7)

"I think the market has made the bulk of its retracement rally," says MARC CHALKIN of BOMAR SECURITIES. "For the next four or five weeks it could have a downward bias as it retests its recent low at the 2483 level of the Dow. It is possible the Dow may only pull back to 2550 and then hold and start back up again. Since August of 1987, waterfall drops have not undercut their lows on a retest. So it could happen again. If we are in a bear market - and my sense says we are ... - I don't think it will be a long, grind-it-out, old-fashioned affair." ("Investor's Daily", 9/10)

MICHAEL HOLLAND, head of SALOMON BROTHERS ASSET MANAGEMENT, says, "There are two things that are pretty clear to us: No. 1, we are in a recession. No. 2, we are in a bear market. ... The probabilities are that we can go down 10 or 20 percent from here which ... on the Dow Jones would be 2300-2200. Once we get there we would like to take another look." ("Wall Street Week", 9/7)

DAN DORFMAN reports in "USA Today" this morning that officials of MONTGOMERY SECURITIES will tell money managers at a four-day conference in San Francisco this week that the market slide is not over - that the Dow could drop as low as 2200 in three to six months. ("USA Today", 9/10)

MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY is wary of the impact a recession could have on stocks. He says, "The economy is deteriorating, and that in turn, of course, has negative implications for earnings and dividend growth in the future." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/7)

STOCK MARKET:

The latest quarterly survey of 96 money managers by "Barron's" found 52% describing themselves as bearish on the stock market's "immediate outlook"

while 28% were bullish and 20% on the fence. "Still, most of the self-proclaimed pessimists ... believe that the worst of the stock price slide is over," the report says. The consensus is that the Dow will close the year at around 2675, rising to 2720 by next March and to 3000 by next September. ("Barron's", 9/10)

"I think [the market] will try to move ahead this week, but it will be difficult," MONTE GORDON says this morning. The director of research at DREYFUS CORP. says he expects the market to have a positive and "hopeful" reaction to the Helsinki summit. While a recession continues to weigh on stocks, Gordon says, "The market has come down a great deal. ... It is really not out of line with the sluggish performance the economy is showing." (CNBC "World Business Update", 9/10)

On a near-term basis, stock prices could respond favorably to an easing of the Persian Gulf crisis and relief of pressure on oil prices, says ABBEY COHEN, chief strategist at BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD. But longer term, Cohen remains bearish: "The reason is simple - the economy is weak, corporate profits are going to have a very difficult time increasing." She believes analysts' forecasts of big profit increases next year are highly unrealistic. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/10)

"The sentiment [in the market] has become so negative that sometime very soon, probably early next week, we will be in the throes of a good technical trading rally that could take us up near the 2700 level," says JACK CONLON of ROTHSCHILD & CO. But he sees a subsequent fall - perhaps to about 2200. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/7)

"The public is as disillusioned about the stock market now as they were in 1930," says ALBERT SINDLINGER, who has been surveying American households for 36 years. A recent daily sampling found only 3.1 percent of the people who already own stock saying they planned to buy more in the near future. "Wall Street pros are punch drunk," says WILLIAM LeFEVRE of ADVEST CORP. "They were euphoric in July, but became depressed after the Middle East situation resulted in higher oil prices and a further erosion of the domestic economy." ("The Washington Post", 9/7)

"Our course is steady as it goes," says ARTHUR NICHOLAS of NICHOLAS, APPLEGATE CAPITAL. "We don't think we're looking at anything that's really severe in terms of the market's reaction." (NYT, 9/9)

"Short-term, I think we do have a buying opportunity," says WILLIAM WATERS. "We're incredibly oversold in the short-term and we've got a lot of bearish sentiment. I think we could see a bounce, but the upside potential is short-term - maybe 150 points on the Dow - where the downside is double or even triple that." He does see a better market in late 1991. ("Wall Street Week", 9/7)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"It's highly probable that we will see an 80-cent Deutschemark before we see a 40-cent one again," says SANFORD PINNA, president of the FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE CORP., in Tampa, Fla. ("Barron's", 9/10)

"This moderation in labor force activity [as shown in Friday's unemployment report] is clearly in keeping with the Fed's overall objectives, and I don't think we will see any immediate change in [monetary] policy because of that," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN, director of money market research at DEAN WITTER. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/7)

"The Fed does not want to be in the position of accommodating an oil price shock as it did in the 1970s, and is not sure what the impact [of easing credit] on long-term interest rates will be," says LYNN REASER of FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP in Los Angeles. "It wants to see how the Mideast crisis is resolved." ("Investor's 6 Daily", 9/10)

"The Wall Street Journal" says "there is a widespread consensus that the nation's central bank will soon lower the closely watched federal funds rate 1/4 to 1/2 a percentage point from its current target level of 8%." But the report says many economists say such a move would be too late to stimulate economic growth and "may not stave off a recession." ROBERT CHANDROSS of LLOYD BANK PLC says: "It doesn't matter whether they ease now or in four weeks from now. There is not a lot they can do to influence the path of the economy during the balance of 1990." (WSJ, 9/10)

"The increasing probability that the economy will be pushed into a recession argues for a further steeping of the yield curve, as an easing in official monetary policy looks more and more likely," says THOMAS SOWANICK of MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MARKETS. But he says "the probable outcome is that long-term interest rates will rise further as short-term rates decline" if the market perceived that the Fed has abandoned its inflation fight. ("Investor's Daily", 9/10)

"It's just a question of time before the Fed recognizes the real distinct probability of a recession sometime in the winter," says JOSEPH LIRO of S.G. WARBURG. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/7)

"Over the next year, we think rates are going down," says MITCHELL MEISLER of LEHMAN BROTHERS. "We think there'll be 8% on the long bond sometime in

the early part of 1991, and we think we could have negative GNP in the third quarter and we're probably going to be in a recession in the fourth quarter and first quarter." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/7)

"People at the Federal Reserve are very torn by what they see with the economy, which clearly calls for an easing of policy, [and] with the prospective inflation news, which gives them pause," says CHARLES LIEBERMAN, chief economist at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER SECURITIES. ("Nightly Business Report", 9/7)

"The ease will not come right now," predicts the president of MERRILL LYNCH's government securities division, JOSEPH PETRI. "In the long run, that's probably better for our market." He says the "credibility of the Fed" would be damaged if it were to ease in a time of inflationary worries. (CNN "Moneyline", 9/7)

"There is a worldwide shortage of money, and the rise in the price of money -- that is, interest rates -- is going to be as breathtaking as the rise of oil prices was in the 1970s," says MICHAEL ARONSTEIN of COMSTOCK PARTNERS. (NYT, 9/9)

"I think the major move in interest rates is going to be down," says CARTER RANDALL. "I think one of the major reasons for that is that the Fed will ease money. I also think that the demand for credit in the private sector, which is even bigger than the public sector, is going to diminish considerably during this sluggish economy and that will bring rates down." ("Wall Street Week", 9/7) 7

"I don't think [junk bond] defaults will slow down," says GABRIELLA PETRUCCI of SALOMON BROTHERS. "We'll see a lot more, especially in attempts to restructure debt." She conducted a survey that found $10 billion in junk bond defaults so far this year, already surpassing $8.8 billion in defaults last year. (NYT, 9/9)

THE ECONOMY:

"Employment is slightly stronger than I expected and, I think, probably an itsy-bitsy bit stronger than the market expected," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "However, it still continues that dance along the zero line for the economy." Moreover, he says some other indicators -- like retail sales -- provide a better measure of what's ahead for the economy, and they continue to be weak. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/7)

"The [employment] data confirm the weakness that has been on track in the economy for some time," says RAYMOND STONE of STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. "If the Fed was inclined to ease before the jobs data, they should be even more inclined to do so after the report." ("Investor's

Daily", 9/10)

"So far, the economic evidence shows there was not that much damage done by the invasion [of Kuwait]," says EDWARD YARDENI of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. ADRIAN DILLON of the EATON CORPORATION in Cleveland, says, "Before the invasion the economy had been slowly regaining some momentum, making it better equipped to withstand the shock of the Iraq crisis. The economy is no longer accelerating, but it is not falling off a cliff either." (NYT, 9/10)

NORMAN ROBERTSON of MELLON BANK in Pittsburgh says the preoccupation with whether there is a recession is "just splitting hairs over a definition. The real point is: The economy's stopped growing." ("USA Today", 9/10)

DONALD RATAJCZAK, head of the economic forecasting project at GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY, is looking for oil prices to stabilize at about $23 a barrel as Saudi Arabia and Venezuela pump up production. "Right now the [oil] market is adjusting for dire conditions that don't see likely to merge," he says. (NYT, 9/10)

"This is the third or fourth consecutive month that we've had very big increases, very big upward revisions to employment," says JOHN PAULUS, chief economist at MORGAN STANLEY. He says this pattern "leads one to suspect that maybe next month, the 45,000 increase in overall jobs ... will end up getting revised to something north of 100,000 jobs." ("Nightly Business Report", 9/7)

"I would expect the unemployment rate to continue to rise pretty consistently over the balance of the year," says CHARLES LIEBERMAN, chief economist at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER SECURITIES. "There's also the potential for a very sharp rise, because the labor force is considerably understated." ("Nightly Business Report", 9/7)

"I think we're probably in a recession," says ELAINE 8 GARZARELLI of LEHMAN BROTHERS. "We'll be fluctuating somewhere between probably down three-quarters of a percent to up three-quarters of a percent for the next three quarters." She says the bottom should come in the second quarter of 1991 and that the end of this year, therefore, would be a good time to buy stocks. ("Nightly Business Report", 9/7)

IN WASHINGTON:

"The level of cynicism [on prospect for a deficit reduction accord] is terribly high and with good reason," says ROGER ALTMAN, a former Treasury officials who now heads the BLACKSTONE GROUP. "The markets are anticipating failure and that's one of the reasons for the present weakness in all financial markets." ("The Washington Post", 9/9)

The budget negotiations are progressing somewhat better than press reports indicate, says SOLOMON BROTHERS' STEVE BELL. He expects Congressional negotiators to announce some proposed agreement this week, possibly tomorrow. "Then for two weeks, everybody will say the deal is dead. Then I think at the end of it all, the deal will pass. They certainly are not going to allow sequestration to go into effect -- even a little bit." (CNN "Business Morning", 9/10)

While budget negotiators attempt to put on a happy face during their meetings in an officer's club at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington tensions still run high between the two sides. "I don't believe we're going to tolerate an income tax increase out of this," says SEN. PETE DOMENICI (R. - New Mex.), but REP. RICHARD GEPHARDT (D. - Missouri) seems to have other ideas. "The President said during the summer that he thought that it was necessary in order to solve this problem that we have tax revenue increases as well as spending cuts as well as budget reform," says Gephardt. "That's where we all are. We agreed to that." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/7)

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ROSLYN, NY (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Cheyenne Software, Inc. (AMEX: CYE) and Acer Inc., a personal computer and network vendor based in Taiwan, signed an agreement that enables Acer to offer its customers an automated network data backup system for NetWare 286, 386 and standalone DOS applications. Acer plans to ship ARCserve(R) during the fourth calendar quarter of 1990.

Acer will offer ARCserve/286, ARCserve/386, and ARCserve/Solo as data backup application options for its computer customers.

Stan Shih, chairman and CEO of the Acer Group, explained, "Acer offers a variety of high-performance fileservers which are certified by Novell and well-accepted by the market. Acer's 1100/33, a 33-MHz, 386- based server was chosen as Editor's Choice of PC magazine and was reviewed as one of the best file servers for Novell Netware by LAN Times magazine."

ARCserve Cheyenne's ARCserve is the first centralized, totally automated backup software solution for Novell Netware networks. ARCserve provides the ability to perform unattended, continuous backup services for both file servers and workstations directly to a shared, centrally mounted device. This enables a network supervisor to schedule file server backup to process completely in the background, and individual workstations are free to perform other tasks.

The Acer Group The Acer Group, founded in 1976, is a manufacturer of high-performance personal computers, network products, monitors, and

peripherals, It is part of a multinational corporation with extensive operations in R&D, manufacturing, marketing, trading, investment, education, and publishing in the computer industry. Headquartered in Taiwan, Acer currently has companies active in the United States, Canada. West Germany, Holland, the U.K., France, Malaysia, Japan, Australia and Hong King. The company's consolidated sales in 1989 were US$689 million.

Cheyenne Software, Inc. In addition to ARCserve, Cheyenne's Network Products Group offers Monitrix(R), the first full-function network management and control program; and the Cheyenne Utilities for NetWare (including NetBack(R)), a set of integrate utilities for NetWare 286, 386 and portable NetWare networks. Cheyenne's Business Analysis Group offers the Organization Analyst(R), a PC-based software product which is used for corporate restructuring.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Systems Center, Inc. (NYSE: SMX) and Digital Equipment Corporation (NYSE: DEC) today announced an ongoing relationship to jointly develop, market and support products that will enable DECmcc users to monitor and control SNA network environments.

The two companies signed a Joint Development Agreement to enable the integration of Systems Center's NET/MASTER network management software with DECmcc, and to enable the exchange of network management information between IBM's NetView and DECmcc.

Under the joint development agreement, Systems Center and Digital plan to collaborate on the design and development of a connection between DECmcc and the SNA management environment. The purpose of the connection is to provide for the bi-directional exchange of network management information between DECmcc operators and both NET/MASTER and NetView operators in the syntax that each operator understands, regardless of whether it comes from the Digital or SNA network environment.

As a result of this development effort, DECmcc's consistent approach for the structure of management information, common user interface, and general purpose management applications will be extended to the SNA environment. This will result in a lower cost of operations for network users.

The two companies also announced their intent to develop the capabilities to enable Digital's DECmcc and Systems Center's NET/MASTER to interoperate as peers. With this new capability, users of both systems will

ultimately be able to manage each other's networks, systems, applications and databases. "This agreement provides an excellent technical template for any future developments between Digital and Systems Center," said Gail Daniels, Digital group manager of product marketing, telecommunications and networks.

The Reference Sell Agreement enables Systems Center to refer customers to Digital for the sale of Digital's DECmcc family of products. Conversely, where there is an interest in SNA management, the agreement enables Digital to refer customers to NET/MASTER. The companies also announced their intent to evaluate opportunities for joint demonstrations, development of pertinent marketing materials and cross sales force sales training.

"This announcement formalizes the establishment of a long-term relationship between our companies," said John Robinson, executive vice president of Systems Center. "There is a great deal of synergy between the Digital style of computing and the NET/MASTER approach to heterogeneous management solutions. We have long recognized that many of our customers are committed to corporate information systems based on both SNA and DECnet/OSI."

Systems Center and Digital will also cooperate to implement the OSI Common Management Information Protocol (CMIP) between DECmcc and NET/MASTER, thus continuing the companies' commitment to providing international standards-based solutions.

"This announcement continues to reinforce Digital's position as the performance leader in open networks, providing network managers with the tools they need to manage their information resources at any time, across any configuration of multivendor technology, from anywhere in the entire enterprise," said Daniels. "It further illustrates that Digital's EMA Architecture and DECmcc products are the preferred approach for the management of this environment."

Daniels added: "Digital has provided terminal connectivity to SNA and NetView for several years. Through the suite of DECnet/SNA Gateway products, customers are able to bring up color NET/MASTER or NetView screens from the DECmcc Management Station. As a result of the joint development agreement, we are moving customers to a new level of truly integrated management for both SNA and Digital environments."

The companies plan to announce product schedules over the next several months.

Systems Center, Inc. develops, markets and supports network, systems, and relational database software. The company offers over 50 products, including NET/MASTER for network and systems management; Network DataMover

for data transfer among multiple operating environments; VMCENTER II for IBM's VM operating system; AS/CENTER for IBM's AS/400; and relational database products for IBM's SQL/DS and DB2.

Digital Equipment Corporation, headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the world's leading supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

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BOCA RATON, FL (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - David I. Fuente, chairman and CEO of Office Depot (NASDAQ: ODEP) announced that the four-year-old firm opened its 100th store today. The 100th store grand opening took place in Pittsburgh.

Office Depot opened its first store in October, 1986 in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. and currently operates 100 stores in 18 states throughout the South and Midwest. Office Depot plans to open 20 additional stores during the remainder of the year.

Office Depot is America's largest chain of office products warehouse stores. The company attributes its success to its commitment to meet the complete office products needs of the small to medium sized businesses of America. Each 25,000 square foot Office Depot store stocks 7,000 different items of name brand office furniture, business machines, computers and general office supplies at deep discounts. This format enables small businesses to purchase office products at prices formerly reserved for the largest businesses. The stores are open to the public, seven days and six nights a week and offer shop-by-phone and delivery services. A series of events to celebrate the 100th store and to salute America's small business community is planned.

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AUSTIN, TEXAS (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Dell Computer Corporation (NASDAQ: DELL) today announced a major sales agreement with Soft Warehouse, Inc., the nation's largest computer superstore chain. Under the agreement, Dell's full line of 11 laptop, desktop and deskside personal computers will be offered through Soft Warehouse's expanding network of superstores,

which currently include 13 superstores nationwide. Soft Warehouse Superstores will be the exclusive retail source for Dell computers. Financial details of the agreement were not disclosed.

The agreement calls for Soft Warehouse to make significant purchases of Dell products directly from Dell through 1993. Dell will provide its complete package of toll-free technical support and next-day service from Xerox Corporation on all Dell systems purchased through Soft Warehouse.

"Our partnership with Soft Warehouse provides us with the opportunity to generate significant new business and increase Dell market penetration," said Michael S. Dell, chairman and chief executive officer, noting that Soft Warehouse reaches customer segments not currently penetrated by Dell.

"There will always be some percentage of PC customers -- particularly at the entry level -- who will want to physically 'touch and feel' a unit before they buy. The mass merchant channel serves this expanding consumer market and provides us with a way to reach these customers," he continued.

Founded in 1984, Soft Warehouse, Inc., is the leading operator of large format computer superstores in the United States. The privately held company currently has 13 stores, located in major metropolitan areas, and is continuing to expand nationwide. Soft Warehouse superstores offers more than 5,000 personal computer hardware, software and related products, combined with a high level of customer service. Revenues for the company's fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, were more than $300 million.

Dell Computer Corporation designs, develops, manufactures, markets, services and supports a complete line of personal computers compatible with industry standards. Dell pioneered the direct marketing of personal computers in 1984. Information on the company or its products may be obtained through its toll-free number: 800-426-5150.

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DETROIT (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Bonal International, Inc. has begun trading in the over-the-counter market with CUSIP No. 097-770-101. Bonal International is the new name of the former Sport Connection, Inc., a Utah corporation, which acquired Bonal Technologies, a Michigan corporation, in a reorganization completed in August 1990. Former Bonal Technologies shareholders now own approximately 75 percent of the 8,049,608 shares issued and outstanding of Bonal International. In addition to the name change, Bonal International was re-domiciled to Delaware.

Bonal Technologies will continue the manufacturing and marketing of Meta-Lax non-thermal, sub-resonant vibrational stress relief and weld conditioning systems. The Meta-Lax equipment and process are used by various metalworking industries as a fast, low-cost alternative to energy-intensive furnace heat treating to relax residual internal stresses in metal structures. The cost of sub-resonant stress relieving is negligible and it can be accomplished in minutes compared with hours or days for heat treating.

In welding conditioning applications, the Meta-Lax sub-resonant process improves and strengthens welded components. Mild vibrations applied to components as they are being welded accelerate the atomic activity in the metal to condition the welds to prevent cracking and embrittlement, which cause major problems in welded structures.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - DH Technology (NASDAQ: DHTK) announced today that its board of directors has approved a stock repurchase program in which initially up to 150,000 shares of its common stock may be repurchased in the open market or in private transactions from time to time.

William H. Gibbs, president of DH Technology Inc., stated that the company's decision was made in view of the price at which the common stock has recently traded. He also stated that shares initially repurchased would be used in connection with options granted under the company's stock option plan. He further said that depending on stock prices, additional shares may be approved for repurchase by the board.

DH Technology is a leading independent supplier of technologically advanced high performance printheads, printer mechanisms and specialty printers. DH Technology's products are utilized by the lottery, labeling, ticketing, office automation, gasoline vending and specialty printing industries.

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DENVER (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - AMDURA Corporation (NYSE: ADU) today announced that United Hardware Distribution Company was the high bidder for certain operating assets of its AMDURA National Distribution Company (ANDCO). The all-cash bid was made during an auction conducted before the Bankruptcy Court on Friday, Sept. 7.

The bid is subject to various closing conditions and Bankruptcy Court approval. A Bankruptcy Court hearing on the sale is expected on, or before, Sept. 25, 1990.

Under the terms of the bid, United would acquire ANDCO's inventory and its distribution center in Milbank, S.D. Receivables and various other assets of ANDCO would not be purchased in the transaction.

The purchase price, to be received in cash at closing, is expected to total approximately $21.5 million. The purchase price, and cash proceeds, depends on asset values as of the date of closing.

Of the cash proceeds to be received at closing, approximately $1 million will be placed in escrow to pay employee benefit claims, not previously covered, and rebates due ANDCO's customers. Proceeds from the sale, held for the benefit of the estate of ANDCO, will remain in escrow pending settlement of the company's bankruptcy case or appropriate orders of the Bankruptcy Court.

The bid was entered under procedures established by the Bankruptcy Court in response to a motion to approve a proposed sale of the ANDCO assets to Our Own Hardware. The motion for sale to Our Own was filed with the court in early August. The bidding process provided that other interested parties could submit "higher or better bids."

On April 2, 1990, AMDURA Corporation and its hardlines distribution subsidiaries, including AMDURA National Distribution Company, filed for protection under Chapter 11 in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Denver. AMDURA's manufacturing subsidiaries, the Crosby Group, Inc. and Harris Waste Management Group, Inc., were not included in the filing.

ANDCO is a hardlines distributor supplying independently owned hardware retailers operating under the Trustworthy name in 11 upper-midwestern and western states. ANDCO has 270 employees, including 120 in Minnesota.

United Hardware Distributing Company is a Plymouth, Minn.-based dealer-owned hardware cooperative, serving approximately 600 independently owned, Hardware Hank stores.

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WAUKEGAN, ILL. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Cherry Electrical Products, Waukegan, today suspended operations for four hours so that its 1,000 employees could formally launch a "Total Quality Leadership" (TQL) program aimed at winning the United States' highest quality award, the Baldrige Award.

Cherry already has received Ford's and General Motor's top quality awards. It is the only switch manufacturer to receive GM's Targets Of Excellence award, which evaluates delivery, quality, management and technology. Less than three percent of Ford's 3,500 suppliers have earned its "Q1" award.

"We see earning these international quality awards as practice for the main event," Grant Hollett, president, said.

"It's time to turn up the heat on our competition and on ourselves by achieving the more stringent customer satisfaction and quality objectives associated with the Baldrige.

"Today's launching of TQL commits the company to maintaining nothing less than world class standards in quality, costs, delivery, service and technology. The ultimate measurement will be to top our proven success so that we can enhance satisfaction among our customers, suppliers, employees and others with whom we have relationships."

By 1993, TQL commits this division of The Cherry Corp. to producing fewer than two defects in every billion parts it produces, the "Six Sigma" standard used by the Baldrige Award.

The Cherry Corp. serves original equipment manufacturers as a multi-national developer, manufacturer and marketer of proprietary and custom precision switches, electronic data entry keyboards, displays, semiconductors and printed circuit boards. It has manufacturing, engineering and sales management facilities in Waukegan; Farmington, Mich.; El Paso, Texas; East Greenwich, R.I.; West Germany; England; France; Hong Kong; and Japan.

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#90253p2762 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Michael J. Rosenbush has been appointed senior vice president, business development-Europe, it was

announced today by Right Associates.

He will develop and coordinate the sales and marketing activities of Right Associates' European offices.

"Michael brings a unique approach and expertise to our industry," said Stanley R. Tilton, president of Right Associates, a leading career management consulting firm. "His experience and significant contributions in building Right's Canadian Network provide excellent testimony to his ability to successfully build a quality client service organization."

Rosenbush joined Right Associates in 1986 as managing partner of the Toronto office. He has spent 11 years in human resources and career transition consulting, helping individuals refocus and rebuild their career paths and working with organizations to plan staff changes and to improve performance.

Rosenbush began his career in production management and manufacturing in the furniture industry.

Prior to his consulting work, Rosenbush spent 14 years in academia, including seven years as an associate professor and chairman of the Department of German and Russian Studies at the University of New Hampshire and four years at the State University of New York. He has had extensive experience teaching and developing foreign language studies both in the United States and abroad.

Rosenbush holds Ph.D. and M.A. degrees in Russian/Soviet studies from the Universite de Montreal and a B.A. in economics/political science from McGill University. In addition to English, he is fluent in French, Russian German and Polish.

Right Associates is headquartered in Philadelphia and has more than 70 offices across the United States and around the world. It is one of the world's leading organizations specializing in outplacement counseling of executives and managers. Outplacement consulting services are designed to assist employers with termination issues and to help the separated employees develop skills and strategies to find new employment.

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NOVATO, CA (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Software Toolworks, Inc. (NASDAQ: TWRX), announced today that it has been granted a license by the Nintendo Corporation to market its Nintendo game cartridges in Japan. The company also announced the addition of two senior executives.

Addressing investment professionals at the Montgomery Securities Institutional Investor Conference in San Francisco this morning, Les Crane chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said that the Software Toolworks will be one of the select U.S.-based companies with rights to sell its Nintendo game cartridges in Japan. "There are currently over 15 million Nintendo Entertainment System units in Japan, with relatively little game cartridge penetration by Nintendo licensees.

"Our first titles to be released in Japan will be Days of Thunder, a stock car racing game based on the movie starring Tom Cruise, and Loopz, a multi-level loop building game featuring high resolution graphics," Crane continued, "and other titles will also be released in Japan later in the year."

Crane also announced that Robert Lloyd has been appointed president of the company's consumer product division. Lloyd was most recently president of DataEast, a privately-held, $100 million manufacturer of coin-operated video games, publisher of personal computer software, and an authorized Nintendo licensee. He was also previously president of Fila Sports, and vice president of sales and manager of marketing & research at Spaulding, Inc.

In addition, Randall Thier has been appointed president of international operations at the Software Toolworks. Thier was most recently vice president-international for Accolade, Inc., a privately- held developer and publisher of personal computer software. His previous affiliations include Electronic Arts, where he was vice president of affiliated labels, and Activision, Inc., as director of marketing services.

"We are privileged to have Messrs. Lloyd and Thier join our company," Crane said. "Each has extensive industry experience, and documented records of success in expanding their respective areas of responsibility.

"These appointments, coupled with the recent additions of Elizabeth Barker as president and chief operating officer, Judson Mitchell as senior vice president and chief financial officer, and Executive Vice President Joe Abrams' concentrated focus on our rapidly-growing OEM operations, provides the Software Toolworks with a team well qualified to manage the anticipated growth of our company," Crane continued.

The Software Toolworks is a diversified, vertically-integrated software company that develops, publishes and licenses software for personal computers and Nintendo entertainment systems. Among the company's best-selling, award-winning software products are The Chessmaster 2100, Mavis Beaco Teaches Typing, and Twist and Shout. The company develops and enhances personal computer operating environments for OEMs and sells a variety of personal computer software products for bundling by OEMs.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Danaher Corporation (NYSE: DHR) announced today that it has entered into a credit agreement with Bankers Trust Company, as agent, and a syndicate of lenders which provides for senior financing of $300 million. The proceeds form the financing are being used primarily to refinance Danaher's existing senior debt, including debt assumed as part of the company's Easco Hand Tools, Inc. acquisition. The balance of the proceeds will be available for general corporate purposes. Annualized interest savings from the refinancing are expected to exceed $1 million.

George M. Sherman, president and CEO of Danaher, stated, "We are pleased with this facility from the standpoint of both lowering our cost of capital and adding to our financial flexibility. We view this agreement as another important acknowledgement of the progress we have made in improving our financial condition."

Danaher Corporation is a leading manufacturer of hand tools, process/environmental controls and transportation products.

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BURBANK, Calif. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Mortgage and Realty Trust (NYSE: MRT) today announced it has filed a Plan of reorganization with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California.

Terms of the plan call for the trust to make full paymenty in full to all creditors, plus interest, to be paid over a period of time following confirmation of the plan by the Bankruptcy Court. The plan also provides for payment of qualifying dividends so the company can continue as a real estate investment trust and provides for eventual resumption of its prior business activity.

On April 12, 1990, the trust filed a petition for reorganization under chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. The trust defaulted on certain note payments as a result of a downgrading of its commercial paper rating by Standard & Poor's. This effectively denied the trust access to the commercial paper market as a source of funds for its investments and

operations. While a preliminary understanding had been reached with a group of lenders for a $425 million credit facility, the Trustees decided that because of the cost, the severity of operating and administrative convenants and the risks of pledging all trust assets to secure a two-year credit, the best interests of the shareholders would be better protected by reorganization under Chapter 11.

Following the Chapter 11 filing, the U.S. Trustee appointed a Creditors' Committee, representing all the trust's unsecured creditors (there are no secured lenders), and an Equity Holders' Committee, representing the trust's shareholders. Creditors' claims totaled approximately $397,000,000. The Trust's assets totaled approximately $595,000,000 as of June 30, 1990.

In making the filing today, the trustees said that, so far, discussions with the Creditors' Committee have not been successful and presently are at an impasse.

On Oct. 2, 1990, a hearing will be held in the Bankruptcy Court in Los Angeles, at which time all parties to this matter will have an opportunity to present their comments on the plan. Subsequently, when a plan is finally approved by the court, it will be submitted to a vote of creditors.

At the present time, Mortgage and Realty Trust is continuing to fulfill loan commitments made before the Chapter 11 filing, but, as previously announced, it will not make any new investments during the course of the bankruptcy proceeding. Since the Chapter 11 filing, no dividends have been paid. It is believed that dividends, if any, paid prior to June 1991 will apply toward REIT qualification for the trust's Sept. 30, 1990 fiscal year.

"This Reorganization Plan offers the creditors an opportunity to be paid in full, with interest, within an achievable period of time in today's real estate maket," C.W. Strong, Jr., president and chief executive officer of Mortgage and Realty Trust declared, "while still preserving the value of the trust's loan and real estate portfolio. The trust continues to produce income. The trustees believe that there will be sufficient income and assets to properly satisfy all creditors and that this Reorganization Plan provides the best opportunity to preserve shareholders' equity."

Mortgage and Realty Trust is a self-administered real estate investment trust with investments in floating-rate real estate loans and real estate equities nationwide. Shareholders' equity as of June 30, 1990 was approximately $180,000,000. The trust's 11,000,000 common shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol MRT.

CONTACT: C.W. Strong Jr., President of Mortgage and Realty Trust,

818-953-7700.

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BOCA RATON, Fla. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - First Medical International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HUGE) has executed an agreement in connection with the acquisition of Boca Raton-based Cardio Scan, Inc., for approximately $655,000 in cash and securities. Based upon financial projections provided as part of the agreement, the Cardio Scan division is expected to generate earnings of $500,000 in 1991 (approximately $0.16 per share). The announcement was made by Roberto Riva, president of First Medical International.

"The Cardio Scan acquisition is an exciting, established entry for First Medical International into the rapidly growing ambulatory (portable) cardiac testing industry," said Roberto Riva.

Cardio Scan is four years old and specializes in physician-directed EKG and EEG Holter Monitor system tests. The Medicare-approved company's services include detailed EKG and EEG magnetic recording and hardcopy conversion, as well as analysis for abnormal phenomena.

"Cardio Scan tests center around the Holter Monitor, a patient-worn apparatus, which provides 24-hour special magnetic tape recordings of up to 144,000 cardiac cycles vs. 50 to 100 for a standard EKG test. The existing test market is vibrant and growing - and profit growth in the next decade, at better than 25 percent annually, could be substantial," Riva said.

First Medical International (formerly called Humagen, Inc.) has the exclusive right to franchise, own and operate Medical Depot Superstores in the U.S.S.R., Mexico and Panama and a non-exclusive right to franchise, own and operate Medical Depot Superstores anywhere else outside the United States.

CONTACT: Roberto Riva, president of First Medical International, Inc., 407-241-6760.

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MANHASSET, N.Y. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Oncogene Science, Inc. (NASDAQ: ONCS) announced today that Pfizer, Inc. (NYSE: PFE) has informed the company of its desire to extend the collaborative research agreement with Oncogene Science directed toward the development of products for the treatment of human cancer. Terms of the renewal will be discussed over the next few months and will be subject to approval by both companies'

managements.

Commenting, Gary E. Frashier, president and chief executive officer, indicated that this news is encouraging and hopefully will lead to the successful renegotiation of a multi-year collaborative program under terms favorable to both companies.

Oncogene Science, using proprietary oncogene related and growth factor technologies, is in the business of developing biopharmaceutical products for the research, diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other cell control-linked diseases.

CONTACT: Robert Van Nostrand of Oncogene Science, 516-365-9300; or Susan Noonan or Anthony Russo of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for Oncogene Science

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#90253p2792 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Teradyne (NYSE: TER) today announced that it has signed a joint engineering agreement with Samsung Electronics Company, Ltd., under whose terms the companies will cooperate in developing test systems for next-generation semiconductor memories. The agreement was signed in Seoul, Korea, by Edward Rogas, Teradyne vice president and general manager of the company's Semiconductor Test Division and Yoon Woo Lee, senior executive managing director of Samsung Electronics Company, Ltd., and general manager of Samsung's Kiheung Research and Development Center.

Teradyne is a major producer of test systems for memories and other semiconductor devices. Samsung is Korea's largest semiconductor producer and one of the world's leading manufacturers of memories.

Teradyne is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (Symbol: TER).

CONTACT: Frederick Van Veen, vice president of Teradyne, Inc., 617-482-2700

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#90253p2794 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) has entered into an agreement with Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. to purchase a group annuity contract that will provide benefits to about 14,200 retired participants in the company's salaried retirement income plan.

This action is intended to strengthen the benefit security under the McDonnell Douglas retirement program for salaried employees. "Retirees affected by this action now have their benefits guaranteed by one of the

oldest, largest and financially strongest insurance companies in the United States. In addition, this action increased the ratio of plan assets to liabilities for the remaining participants," said Richard M. Smoski, McDonnell Douglas director of pension and savings administration and payrolls.

As a result of the transaction, McDonnell Douglas will recognize an after-tax gain of about $234 million, or $6.11 per share, in the third quarter of 1990. This gain represents a portion of the excess of the market value of the plan's assets over the projected benefit obligation. No plan assets will revert to McDonnell Douglas and no cash will be received by the company as a result of this transaction.

The purchase of the annuity contract in no way alters the benefits due affected retirees or the manner in which the payments are made. The action affects the majority of participants who terminated employment prior to Nov. 27, 1989 and are receiving benefits under the plan.

CONTACT: Barbara Anderson of McDonnell Douglas Corp., 314-233-2865.

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#90253p2797 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTWOOD, MA (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - LTX Corporation (NASDAQ: LTXX) announced today its financial results for the year ended July 31, 1990. Sales were $143,042,000 compared to sales of $141,794,000 in fiscal year 1989. Net loss was $(2,914,000) or (28 cents) primary loss per share compared to net loss of $(31,163,000) or $(3.23) primary loss per share in the prior year. The fiscal 1990 results included an extraordinary gain on an exchange of convertible debentures, net of taxes, of $14,440,000.

Fourth quarter sales were $41,626,000 compared to $28,469,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1989. Net income for the quarter was $13,304,000 or $1.14 primary earnings per share compared to a net loss of $(9,302,000) or (96 cents) primary loss per share in the same quarter of the prior year. The fourth quarter net income benefited from the extraordinary gain of $14,440,000, or $1.24 primary earnings per share, previously cited.

Graham Miller, LTX president, commented: "Fiscal year 1990 was a year of considerable progress, ending with operating profit in the fourth quarter. Spurred by record bookings for digital systems and record business in Japan, orders in the quarter rose to the highest level for any quarter in the Company's history. Bookings for the year increased over 40 percent and the order backlog rose to $62 million from $25 million last year."

Miller added: "We strengthened our balance sheet and consummated a joint venture in Japan, a step that already appears to be bearing fruit. With

the excellent market reception for our products and large order backlog, we believe that we can continue our steady progress into fiscal year 1991."

LTX Corporation is a leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of computer-controlled equipment for testing linear, digital and mixed-signal devices. For integrating the total production environment, from engineering through final test, LTX offers multi-platform networking and information products. Headquartered in Westwood, Mass., LTX has worldwide sales and service facilities to support their expanding customer base.

CONTACT: R. Scott Higgins of LTX, 617-461-1000

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#90253p2798 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEWATER, N.J. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas & Betts (NYSE: TNB) today announced it would record a pre-tax charge of $9 million, equal to 43 cents per share, related to consolidating manufacturing operations and reducing operating expenses. The charge is net of $4 million resulting from the disposal of excess assets.

"The actions are being taken to improve manufacturing efficiency, to adjust expense rates to reflect the increasing original equipment manufacturer (OEM) content of the company's sales, and to respond to weakening economic conditions," said T. Kevin Dunnigan, president and chief executive officer.

Thomas & Betts will reduce its workforce of 5,000 by approximately 5 percent, which will affect all geographic areas except the Far East.

Third-quarter financial results will be announced on Oct. 18. Thomas & Betts Corporation, based in Bridgewater, is a leading producer of connectors, components, accessories and systems for worldwide electrical and electronic markets.

CONTACT: Robert V. Berry, senior VP of Thomas & Betts, 908-707-2337.

-30- 1251

#90253p2799 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Waste Industries (NASDAQ: WWIN) announced today that it has acquired privately held Sunset Sanitation Service, an 18 year-old central California-based waste collection company. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Western Waste President and Chief Executive Officer Kosti Shirvanian said the acquisition "significantly expands our presence in the rapidly growing central California region, merging our existing Fresno County operations

with those of Sunset. In addition, we will now serve Tulare and King Counties through Sunset's established base in those areas."

The acquisition of Sunset, which has annual revenue of approximately $6 million, will make Western Waste the largest waste collection operation in the three-county central California region. Also, the acquisition will include Sunset's six exclusive municipal contracts.

Western Waste is a leading integrated waste management company, providing collection services, landfill, transfer station and recycling operations for commercial, industrial and residential customers. The company has operations in California, Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Florida, Colorado and Arizona. Western Waste reported revenue of $172 million for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Richard F. Widrig of Western Waste Industries, 213-329-1425, or Craig A. Parsons of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Western Waste

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LTX CORPORATION
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	3 Months Ended		12 Months Ended	
	7/31/90	7/31/89	7/31/90	7/31/89
Net sales	$41,626	$28,469	$143,042	$141,794
Cost of sales	25,672	19,953	92,364	94,512
Gross profit	15,954	8,516	50,678	47,282
Engineering & product development expenses	4,925	5,694	19,906	23,983
Selling, general & adminstrative expenses	10,399	10,671	40,679	50,665
Income (loss) from operations	630	(7,849)	(9,907)	(27,366)
Interest expense, net	1,606	1,453	7,287	5,597
Loss before income taxes, minority interest & extraordinary item	(976)	(9,302)	(17,194)	(32,963)
Benefit from income taxes	--	---	---	(1,800)
Loss before minority interest & extraordinary item	(976)	(9,302)	(17,194)	(31,163)
Minority interest in net income of joint venture	160	---	160	---
Loss before extraordinary item	(1,136)	(9,302)	(17,354)	(31,163)
Extraordinary item -- gain on exchange of convertible debentures, net of tax	14,440	---	14,440	---
Net income (loss)	13,304	(9,302)	(2,914)	(31,163)
Primary income (loss) per share:				
Loss before extraordinary item	$(0.10)	$(0.96)	$(1.67)	$(3.23)
Extraordinary item -- gain on exchange of convertible debentures, net of tax	$1.24	--	1.39	--
Net income (loss)	$1.14	$(0.96)	$(0.28)	$(3.23)
Weighted avg. number of common and common				

equivalent shares outstanding	11,680	9,699	10,383	9,660

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#90253p2803 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

OCALA, FL (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Microdyne Corporation (NASDAQ: MCDY) today announced increased sales and operating profits for its third fiscal quarter ended July 29, 1990. Sales revenue increased approximately 51 percent over the prior year period, to $7,468,000 from $4,956,000. Operating income for the third quarter increased 24 percent to $77,000, versus $62,000 during third quarter 1989. Net income for the third quarter was $107,000 or $.03 per share, compared with $198,000 or $0.05 per share during the comparable 1989 quarter.

For the nine month period, Microdyne's sales increased 28.3 percent to $18,548,000, from $14,458,000 in the prior year period. Net income was $274,000 or $.07 per share, compared with $438,000 or $0.11 per share a year earlier.

Kenneth G. Harple, president and chief executive officer, stated, "Investments in new product development and the expansion of our professional and sales marketing organization resulted in strong performances for our telemetry and communications business segments. Order input continues to improve and we anticipate continued revenue growth in these major business segments."

Harple continued, "Our Antennas for Communications business segment experienced inadequate order flow and operating losses resulting in lower-than-anticipated profits for the company. Management has addressed these problems and anticipates improving results."

Microdyne Corporation is a leading engineering and manufacturing company serving the aerospace, telemetry, satellite communications, systems design and integration, and the PC workstation markets.

CONTACT: Robert Michaels, chief financial officer of Microdyne, 904-687-4633; or Matt Haines or Mark Cohen of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Microdyne

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#90253p2807 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Centel Corporation (NYSE: CNT) announced today that it has completed the acquisition of the cellular communications franchise in Laredo, Texas, from United Cellular Master Limited

Partnership. Terms of the purchase were not disclosed.

With the acquisition, Centel now provides cellular service in 45 markets and is the second largest cellular communications provider in the United States in terms of markets served. Based on ownership share, Centel has cellular communications franchises serving nearly 16 million people.

Laredo has a population of more than 120,000. Centel also provides cellular service in the Texas communities of Killeen, Longview, Marshall, Temple, Tyler and Waco and has minority interests in the Austin and Houston cellular systems.

Earlier this year, Centel announced the acquisition of the cellular franchises in four rural service areas in New Mexico, including the franchise along the New Mexico - Mexico border. Also, the company, along with three other partners, was granted a 20-year license to operate a cellular network in northern Mexico that adjoins parts of the New Mexico and Texas borders.

In addition to its cellular properties, Chicago-based Centel Corporation, which had 1989 revenues of $1.19 billion, provides local exchange telephone service through more than 1.6 million access lines in nine states, including Texas, and supplies electric power to more than 136,000 customers in Kansas and Colorado.

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#90253p2808 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMDEN, S.C. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Builders Transport, Incorporated (NASDAQ: TRUK) announced today that Trism, Inc., has made a revised proposal to acquire all the outstanding common stock of Builders. The proposal provides that each share of outstanding common stock of Builders would be converted into the right to receive $9.00 per share in cash; $4.00 per share in a 12-year, 12 percent cumulative preferred stock; and one-fifth of a common share pursuant to a merger of a newly formed Trism subsidiary into Builders. The proposal contemplates that Trism will contribute $10,000,000 in equity to its new subsidiary and will finance the balance through senior debt and a preferred stock investment from Heller Financial, Inc. and Banque Paribas, who have provided proposal letters to Trism.

The terms of the preferred stock, which would be issued by the surviving company in the merger, provide for cumulative dividends to be paid quarterly when and as declared by the board of directors, mandatory sinking fund payments for one-half of the shares in 2001 and the remaining shares in 2002 and optional redemption on the part of the surviving

company after December 1995. Assuming full conversion of Builders' existing convertible debentures, the common stock issued by the surviving corporation in the merger to Builders' stockholders would represent 15 percent of the common equity of the surviving company. The proposal letters from Heller Financial, Inc. and Banque Paribas are not commitments to lend, and are subject to a number of conditions, including completion of due diligence review and asset appraisals by the lenders, approval by the lenders' credit committees and the issuance of formal commitment letters.

John R. Morris, president and chief executive officer of Builders Transport, said: "We received the revised proposal over the weekend and are in the process of reviewing it with our advisers and the independent committee of our board of directors. As we have previously indicated, Builders Transport is prepared to consider any fair and firmly financed proposal for the acquisition of the company."

Builders Transport also announced that it has entered into a definitive agreement to sell its refrigerated van operation. The sale of that operation is part of the company's previously announced restructuring plan which contemplates a more concentrated focus on the company's core business and niche markets and the sale of assets no longer properly aligned with the company's new strategic direction. Morris stated: "The sale of the refrigerated operation is an important part of our program to increase focus on the areas where Builders performs best. We are pleased about this agreement, and are continuing with our plan to enhance the company's profitability -- an approach we believe to be supportive of any satisfactory acquisition proposal for the company."

Builders Transport also announced that a Court of Chancery in Delaware has granted Builders Transport's motion to dismiss a recently instituted action by David C. Walentas, a dissident stockholder who leads a group that is currently waging a proxy contest to obtain control of Builders' board of directors.

In another matter related to the proxy fight, Builders Transport announced that it rejects the allegations Walentas made in a letter he sent to the Securities and Exchange Commission requesting the SEC to investigate certain matters relating to the letter of intent announced earlier this year with Comcar Industries, Inc. Robert E. Garner, Builders' general counsel, said: "Mr. Walentas' allegations are based on hearsay from unnamed individuals. These allegations appear to be self- serving statements made by Mr. Walentas in the waning days of the proxy contest he initiated. Obviously, we would not, and could not, have entered into any discussions with Comcar unless we believed Comcar's intentions to be legitimate. Moreover, it is inconceivable that Comcar would have entered into a letter of intent or expended the significant time and resources of so many of its key people in, and undertaken the costs associated with,

extensive due diligence had it not been very serious about its proposal."

CONTACT: Robert E. Garner, general counsel of Builders Transport, 803-432-1400; or Brian Maddox of Georgeson & Company, 212-440-9862, for Builders Transport

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#90253p2810 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Savin Corporation (NYSE: SVB) today declared that shares of its preferred stock will be issued as the quarterly dividend on Savin's Cumulative Convertible Series B, C and D preferred stocks. The dividend for the Preferred C shares owned by HCS Technology N.V. will be paid in nonvoting Preferred C shares.

Record date for the dividend will be Sept. 21, 1990; payment date will be October 1, 1990. The dividend shares to be issued were calculated based upon the following prices per share: Series B - $5.4813, Series C - $5.6156 and Series D - $5.75.

The dividends will be paid as follows: Preferred Stock Dividend per Share

B	.03649 shares per Series B Preferred
C	.01781 shares per Series C Preferred
D	.00435 shares per Series D Preferred

Fractional shares will be rounded up to the nearest whole share. Savin Corporation, founded in 1959, distributes a full line of office copiers and facsimile products through a North American network of ten company-owned branches and over 380 dealers at more than 500 selling and servicing locations. Savin is also a non-exclusive distributor of a full-color copier: the Prism(TM)I. Savin is the only distributor of copier products in North America offering the customer a choice of toner technologies.

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TWINSBURG, OHIO (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - James Adamson, executive vice president of marketing for Revco D.S., Inc., today announced the promotion of Paul Singh to the newly created post of marketing director of new business development.

Singh, formerly a senior buyer for Revco, will be responsible for development of new marketing programs, including programs to build sales volume in those Revco stores larger than 10,000 square feet. He will

report directly to Adamson.

Adamson said, "The programs directed by Paul, one example being the creative use of our larger stores, will complement Revco's traditional strengths and core drugstore merchandise mix. This will give us an opportunity to capture trends that will appeal to Revco's customers."

Singh, 41, joined Revco in 1988 as senior buyer, with overall responsibility for greeting cards, books and magazines, housewares, paper products, softgoods, film and photo finishing. Prior to joining Revco, he was most recently in charge of regional sales in seven western states for Stanley Blacker, based in San Francisco. His purchasing and marketing background includes western regional sales for Izod Lacoste of San Francisco, purchasing for Gottschalks of Fresno, Calif. and for Donaldsons of Minneapolis.

A native of India, Singh holds a master's degree in business administration from Mankato State College in Mankato, Minn. He, his wife Bonnie and their two children live in Solon, Ohio.

Revco, one of the nations's foremost drugstore chains, is a privately held company based in Twinsburg, Ohio.

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#90253p2813 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - First Bank System, Inc. (NYSE: FBS) today announced an enhancement to its ATM (automatic teller machine) card called CHEXTRA. CHEXTRA transforms the card into an electronic checkbook that enables customers to make purchases at any VISA merchant worldwide. The customer can use CHEXTRA when they don't want to use a credit card, write a check, carry large sums of cash or if the merchant doesn't accept out-of-town checks. CHEXTRA purchases are deducted directly from their checking account with a float period like a check.

"The debit card concept is still relatively new in this market," said Philip G. Heasley, president of FBS Electronic Banking, "So we decided to take a two-pronged approach. First, give qualifying customers the card free for a year and make sure they have all the help they need to make it easy to use. If after a year they want to keep the card, they can do so for an annual fee of $12."

Heasley noted that the company's Central Bank affiliates in Colorado have offered the CHEXTRA card for nine years. He said 35 percent of Central Bank accounts have the CHEXTRA card and 55 percent use the card an average

of five or six times each month.

"Second, we know that you can't just send out cards. You need to be there for customers and support use, so we've made a strong commitment to education and personal contact," Heasley explained. "On the active side, we're implementing a telephone outreach project that confirms customers received the card and offers to answer questions." Heasely said a crew of 28 people will contact customers between 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. for about a month after the cards have been sent. "A passive, but equally important function, is a separate, CHEXTRA 24-hour customer service area that will be available for cardholders to call. And that isn't just for Twin Cities customers, but in all states through an 800 number. In addition, we're going to run promotional programs to encourage customer usage and employee contest to remind them to offer the card," he concluded.

Approximately 140,000 qualifying First Bank cardholders in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana and Wisconsin will receive CHEXTRA. Existing and new customers can apply for a card beginning Sept. 10.

An ATM card without the CHEXTRA feature also will be available. First Bank System is a regional bank holding company headquartered in the Upper Midwest with assets of $19.4 billion. The company provides financial services to individuals and institutions through 32 banks and trust companies with more than 140 offices located in Minnesota, Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Washington and Wisconsin.

CONTACT: Chris Mahai of First Bank System, 612-370-5440

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#90253p2815 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - CompuChem Corporation (NASDAQ: CCEM), the nation's premier provider of forensic drug testing, today announced it has been awarded a major five-year contract covering 31,000 safety-related employees of the Federal Department of Transportation (DOT).

The contract, which involves pre-employment, annual physical, random and probable cause testing, covers nearly half of DOT's 67,000 employees. They work at facilities located throughout the country at such jobs as air traffic controllers, railway engineers, safety inspectors and drivers.

The new contract, which covers the period from Sept. 30, 1990 to Sept. 30, 1995, is essentially a renewal and expansion of an existing contract with the Federal Aviation Administration. Other DOT agencies covered under the new contract include the U.S. Coast Guard, the Federal Highway Administration, the National Highway Safety Administration, the Urban Mass Transit Administration, the Research and Specialization Program

Administration and the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation.

CompuChem is the forensic drug testing laboratory for nearly half of the Fortune 100 Companies, and is the major provider of drug testing for federal agencies, including the Bureau of Prisons, the Immigration and Naturalization Service, the Federal Railroad Administration, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Secret Service, U.S. Marshalls, NASA, Department of Labor, Department of Commerce and the U.S. Army.

CompuChem Corporation, through its three subsidiaries, CompuChem Laboratories, Inc., ChemWest Analytical Laboratories, Inc. and Lifedata Medical Services, Inc., provides specialized analytical testing services for the accurate measurement of toxic chemicals and hazardous wastes in the environment, urinalysis collection and testing services for the detection of drugs of abuse, as well as physical examinations for life insurance applicants. The company also provides on-line data management systems for use by customers in managing their environmental and drug testing data bases. The company's environmental testing services are provided to major industrial companies, waste management companies, and consulting engineering firms, as well as the Environmental Protection Agency. The company's forensic drug testing services are provided to the military, other government agencies and major industrial firms. The company's physical examination services are provided to insurance carriers nationally.

CONTACT: Paul Brunswick, vice president and chief financial officer of CompuChem, 919-248-6404, or Lloyd Kaplan or Ned Steele of Howard J. Rubenstein Associates, 212-489-6900, for CompuChem

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#90253p2816 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Saudi American Bank (SAMBA), Citibank's affiliate in Saudi Arabia, has named Michael F. Chahine as New York representative, succeeding Peter B. Eliot.

From SAMBA's representative office in New York, Chahine acts as chief liaison for the bank's United States corporate customers who do business in Saudi Arabia and Turkey and assists Saudi Arabian and Turkish clients who invest in the U.S.

Prior to assuming his new position, Chahine was vice president in Citibank's Private Banking Division in the South-Central region, based in Chicago. Since joining Citibank in 1980, he has held positions in Saudi Arabia, where he headed activities in Dammam, and in the United Arab Emirates, where he was institutional bank head and branch manager for Abu Dhabi.

Saudi American Bank, founded in 1980, is a full-service financial institution with overseas branches in London and Istanbul and a finance subsidiary in Geneva.

CONTACT: Cynthia Reeder, 212-559-5612 for Saudi American Bank

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#90253p2825 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Rosemary Moore has been appointed vice president-corporate communications and public relations for Joseph E. Seagram & Sons, Inc., the company announced today.

In this newly created position, Moore, 39, will be responsible for the worldwide coordination of public relations activities, implementation of communications programs and the development of corporate positions on public issues relating to Seagram and to the beverage industry in general.

She will be based in New York, reporting to Stephen E. Herbits, executive vice president corporate policy and external affairs.

"Rosemary has distinguished herself in a variety of assignments since she joined Seagram," Herbits said. "We are fortunate to have within the Seagram organization a person of her talent and experience, in both communications and journalism, to fill this new post."

Moore joined Seagram International in May, 1989 as director of research and communications, based in London. She will retain direct responsibility for communications and public relations for this division of The Seagram Company Ltd. (NYSE: VO).

Before coming to Seagram Moore was managing editor of Impact International the widely respected drinks industry publication and before that, an editor with the Financial Times of London Business Publishing Division.

Joseph E. Seagram & Sons, Inc., is the U.S. subsidiary of The Seagram Company Ltd., a leading worldwide producer and marketer of distilled spirits, wines, coolers, fruit juices and soft drinks. The Company's brands include Martell Cognacs, Chivas Regal and The Glenlivet Scotch Whiskies, Crown Royal and Seagram's V.O. Canadian Whiskies, Seagram's 7 Crown Blended Whiskey, Seagram's Extra Dry Gin, Sandeman Ports and Sherries, Mumm and Perrier-Jouet Champagnes, Barton & Guestier (B&G) Wines Sterling Vineyards Wines, Seagram's Coolers, Tropicana Pure Premium Orange Juice, Tropicana Twisters and Soho Natural Sodas.

CONTACT: Richard Russack or Robert Kasmire of Adams & Rinehart, Inc., 212-557-0100, for Joseph E. Seagram & Sons, Inc.

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#90253p2827 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - W.R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA) today announced the election of James P. Neeves as a corporate executive vice president. He will now be responsible for the Corporate Management Group consisting of corporate administration, business development and the food services division.

Business development is responsible for business and strategic planning, mergers and acquisitions, as well as divestments. Corporate administration includes the administrative services, employee relations, executive aviation and human resources divisions.

Neeves, 53, joined Grace in its Latin American group in 1960 and served with that group until 1969. He co-founded a company and rejoined Grace in 1974, serving in various managerial capacities in the company's former consumer units. In 1976, he joined the Office of Strategic Projects and Planning and in 1982 was named executive vice president for the General Development Group. He was elected a corporate vice president in 1985 and a senior vice president in 1989.

Neeves was graduated from Columbia University in 1960 with a B.S. degree. He is married to the former Cynthia Stone and resides in New York City.

CONTACT: Chris Tofalli of W.R. Grace & Co., 212-819-6000

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#90253p2831 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Diagnostek, Inc. (NASDAQ: DXTK) announced today Diagnostek's acquisition of the prescription drug mail service business of Rite Aid Corporation for Diagnostek common stock valued at $5 million. In the transaction, Diagnostek's mail service subsidiary, Health Care Services, Inc. ("HCS") will acquire Rite Aid's $13.5 million in mail order revenue contracts. In addition, Diagnostek will be permitted to purchase pharmaceuticals through Rite Aid, utilizing the leverage of Rite Aid's $1 billion in annual pharmaceutical purchases. The agreement provides that HCS will become the exclusive prescription mail service provider to Rite Aid. It also provides for HCS to be the mail service pharmacy provider to Cost Containment Co., a privately held firm offering comprehensive prescription drug cost containment services to benefit sponsors.

Nunzio P. DeSantis, Diagnostek's chief executive officer said that, "We are extremely pleased to have concluded this agreement which allows our mail service subsidiary to gain incremental revenues as well as to improve

its drug acquisition costs." Martin Grass, Rite Aid's president, added that, "Rite Aid shareholders interests were better served by Rite Aid participating in the growth of mail service pharmacy through its interest in Diagnostek, rather than in operating our own mail service pharmacy." The transaction is scheduled to close within the next two to three weeks.

CONTACT: Vince Villanueva of Diagnostek, 505-345-8080; or Julius Golden of Group West, 505-883-6940

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#90253p2832 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARMONK, N.Y. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of its ongoing commitment to the improvement of kindergarten through 12th (K-12) grade education in the United States, IBM today announced that K-12 schools now are eligible for matching grants of computer equipment. Previously, only colleges and universities were eligible.

IBM employees, groups of employees, retirees or spouses now can donate IBM Personal System/2 (A) hardware, software and courseware to the eligible K-12 school of their choice. The IBM donor contributes 20 percent of the published retail price of the equipment; IBM contributes the balance. There is a maximum employee contribution of $5,000 per year per school.

"Approximately 20,000 IBM U.S. employees volunteer their time to support K-12 education in their local communities," said James G. Parkel, IBM director of corporate support and community programs. "Now IBM people will have one more way to support their schools by donating state-of-the-art technology. This extension of our matching grants program combines the best aspects of employee involvement with corporate contributions."

IBM began its matching grants program to higher education in 1959, making it one of the first corporations to have a program of this type. Since that time, the program has been enhanced steadily. The most recent enhancement occurred last year, when colleges and universities were given the option of receiving a five-for-one matching IBM equipment donation.

IBM's matching grants program is one aspect of its support to K-12 education in the U.S. In 1989, IBM spent approximately $20 million in support of K-12 education in the U.S., and in 1989-90 has committed more than $59 million over five years in grants of money, equipment and technical support for public education.

(A) Personal System/2 is a registered trademark of the IBM Corporation

CONTACT: Rita A. Black of IBM, 914-765-6631

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#90253p2854 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Peach Bottom Unit 2 was returned to service Sunday following a brief shutdown to repair an oil line leak in the non-nuclear portion of the plant.

Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) had removed Unit 2 from service Thursday and repaired the leaking line which supplies oil to the turbine-generator bypass valves which are used to control reactor pressure during plant start-ups and shutdowns.

Unit 2 is expected to reach full power later this week.

CONTACT: Pat Webster of Philadelphia Electric, 215-841-4127

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#90253p2855 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Pittsburgh Mayor Sophie Masloff; Donald R. Whitehead, president and managing director of the Pennsylvania Capital Bank; and Charles A. Warden, president of Mid Atlantic Capital Group Inc., today opened the bank's vault to officially commemorate its first day of business.

Located in the Times Building at 336 Fourth Ave., between Smithfield and Wood streets, it is Pittsburgh's first de novo bank in 15 years.

The Pennsylvania Capital Bank will provide full service private banking to individuals and closely held businesses. According to Whitehead, the bank is Pittsburgh's only financial institution to concentrate exclusively on private banking. "All of the financial services a client requires will be custom tailored by a single relationship manager," he said.

In late August, the bank cleared its final step in its organization process when the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) notified the bank it would provide insurance coverage for the deposits of its customers. In April, the bank was granted its charter by the Secretary of Banking for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

The bank's initial capital was raised by Mid Atlantic Capital Group through a stock offering that attracted more than 150 local investors who invested more than $6.8 million.

CONTACT: Donald R. Whitehead, president and managing director of Pennsylvania Capital Bank, 412-227-4830; or Douglas R. Chambers of American Information Marketing, 412-391-8680, for Pennsylvania Capital Bank

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#90253p2865 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
TYLER, TEXAS (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - TCA Cable TV, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: TCAT) ("TCA") today announced results for the third quarter ended July 31, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, of $28,721,000, were up 49 percent over the 1989 revenues of $19,246,000, and operating income before depreciation of $15,251,000, was up 57 percent over the 1989 operating income before depreciation of $9,699,000. Net income was $1,070,000 or $.04 per share, as compared to $2,747,000 or $.11 per share in 1989. These third quarter results reflect the full impact of the acquisition made in the fourth quarter 1989 which added 31 percent more subscribers.

For the nine month period ended July 31, 1990, revenues increased 48 percent to $83,759,000 from $56,501,000 and operating income before depreciation increased 54 percent to $44,781,000 from $29,128,000 from the comparable period of 1989. Net income was $3,187,000 or $.13 per share, as compared to $8,544,000 or $.35 per share in 1989. TCA Cable TV, Inc. is engaged in the development and operation of cable television systems in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, New Mexico, Mississippi and Idaho. The company owns or manages 53 systems with approximately 410,000 subscribers. The company currently has 24,215,808 shares of common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Jimmie F. Taylor of TCA Cable TV, 214-595-3701

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#90253p2871 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
AZUSA, CA (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Optical Radiation Corp. (NASDAQ: ORCO) today reported continued strong increases in operating results for the fiscal year and fourth quarter ended July 28, 1990.

Income from continuing operations for the year, before a special charge, advanced 32 percent to $12,557,000, equal to $1.90 per share, from $9,533,000, or $1.42 per share, last year. A special charge of $6,684,000 relating to an adverse decision in a patent litigation case resulted in fiscal year net income of $7,324,000, or $1.11 per share. Sales for fiscal 1990 advanced 19 percent to a record $130,563,000 from $109,567,000 a year earlier.

For the fourth quarter ended July 28, 1990, income from continuing operations before the special charge rose 21 percent to $4,292,000, equal to $.64 per share, from $3,561,000, or $.55 per share, a year ago. Sales for the fourth quarter rose 22 percent to $36,840,000 from $30,183,000 for the comparable prior year period.

Richard D. Wood, president and chief executive officer, said the positive operating performance reflected significant contributions from the company's consumer optical group, most notably the Omega Optical subsidiary. He noted that the opthalmic surgical products group registered improved operating results on higher sales, while results for the scientific/industrial group were about equal to last year.

Wood said a major highlight of fiscal 1990 was the introduction of its Cinema Digital Sound technology, a process jointly developed by Optical Radiation and Eastman Kodak Company that provides compact disc quality sound to movie theaters. Wood stated that the system has been installed in a limited number of major metropolitan markets, with a target of 75 to 100 systems in place by year end. The system debuted in June with the feature film "Dick Tracy," and additional films are expected to be released for the Christmas season.

"The favorable trends of fiscal 1990 appear to be continuing into the new fiscal year," Wood added. "We are highly enthusiastic about the prospects for our new Cinema Digital Sound system, and our confidence extends to most of the company's established, as well as newer product lines."

Optical Radiation designs and manufactures a wide variety of precision optical components and systems for medical, industrial and scientific applications.

OPTICAL RADIATION CORP.
Consolidated Statements of Income
(In thousands except per share data)

	Three Months Ended July 26		Year Ended July 28	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$36,840	$30,183	$130,563	$109,567
Income from continuing operations before provision for income taxes	5,566	4,339	10,316(a)	12,333
Provision for income taxes	1,662	778	2,992	2,800
Net income from continuing operations	3,904	3,561	7,324	9,533
Loss from discontinued operations, net of applicable income taxes	---	(3,831)	---	(5,080)

Net income	$3,904,000	($270,000)	$7,324,000	$4,453,000
Net income per share - continuing operations	$0.58	$0.55	$1.11	$1.42
Net loss per share - discontinued operations	---	($0.59)	---	(0.76)
Net income per share	$0.58	($0.04)	$1.11	$0.66
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	6,700,000	6,491,000	6,611,000	6,760,000

(a) - Includes expense for litigation award of $6,684,000 and related interest expense of $130,000.

CONTACT: Richard D. Wood of Optical Radiation Corp., 818-969-3344; or Roger S. Pondel of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Optical Radiation Corp.

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#90253p2872 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDDLEBORO, MA (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Mayflower Co-operative Bank (NASDAQ: MFLR) announced net earnings of $45,000, or 5 cents per share, for the first quarter ending July 31, 1990, compared to earnings of $130,000, or 15 cents per share, for the same quarter last year.

William C. MacLeod, president and chief executive officer, stated, "The reduced earnings for the first quarter is a direct result of the continued depressed local and New England real estate markets. The bank has continued to review its loan portfolio which resulted in a provision for loan losses of $80,000 during the first quarter.

As of July 31, 1990, the bank's loans delinquent 90 days or more totaled $3.8 million or 5.08 percent of total loans and 4.19 percent of total assets. At July 31, 1990, the bank's reserve for loan losses totaled $508,000 which was 13.35 percent of loans delinquent 90 days or more and .68 percent of total loans.

The Mayflower Co-operative Bank, with three offices in southeastern Massachusetts, is a state-chartered co-operative bank and has its deposits insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and the Share Insurance Fund (SIF) of Massachusetts.

MAYFLOWER CO-OPERATIVE BANK

Selected Consolidated Financial and Statistical Data

(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	7/31/90	4/30/90
Balance sheet data:		

Total assets	$90,831	$91,724
Loans receivable	74,943	77,057
Federal funds sold	4,019	2,556
Investment securities	3,735	4,722
Deposits	78,002	78,749
Borrowed funds	1,662	1,767
Stockholders' equity	10,558	10,555
Equity-to-assets ratio	11.62 pct.	11.51 pct.
Book value per share	$12.39	$12.39

	Three months ended	
	7/31/90	7/31/89
Operating data:		
Interest income	$2,272	$2,346
Interest expense	1,453	1,489
Net interest income	819	857
Provision for possible loan losses	(80)	(26)
Total	739	831
Gain (loss) on sale of investment securities	---	2
Gain (loss) on sale of other real estate	---	---
Other non-interest income	84	113
Operating expenses	(739)	(764)
Equity in earnings (loss) of joint ventures	(3)	40
Income (loss) before income taxes	81	222
Income taxes	36	92
Net income (loss)	$45	$130
Earnings per share	5 cents	15 cents
Dividends per share	---	5 cents
Annualized return on average assets	.20 pct.	.55 pct.
Annualized return on average equity	1.71 pct.	4.88 pct.
Net interest spread	3.46 pct.	3.57 pct

MAYFLOWER CO-OPERATIVE BANK
Analysis of Loans Past Due
(Dollars in thousands)

	7/31/90	4/30/90
Loans past due over 90 days:		
Residential mortgages	$ 468	817
Commercial and construction mortgages	2,656	2,799
Commercial time and demand loans	605	701
Consumer and other loans	75	24
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	$3,804	$4,341

Loans past due over 90 days as a percentage of:		
Total loans receivable	5.08 pct.	5.63 pct.
Total assets	4.19 pct.	4.74 pct.
Non-performing assets:		
Non-accrual loans (included above)	$2,418	$3,134
Real estate acquired by foreclosure	712	151
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	$3,130	$3,285
Non-performing assets as a percentage of:		
Total loans receivable	4.17 pct.	4.26 pct.
Total assets	3.45 pct.	3.58 pct.

CONTACT: Maria Vafiades of Mayflower Co-operative Bank, 508-947-4343

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#90253p2876 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, VA. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - ERC Environmental and Energy Services Co., Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ERCE) today announced that it has recently purchased the water resources contracts and has hired the employees of the Water Resources Group of Sutton-Kennerly & Associates (SKA) in Greensboro, N.C.

The purchase price was approximately $150,000. As a result of this transaction, ERCE now has two North Carolina locations and 35 worldwide.

The Water Resources Group performs a wide variety of water-related services, including geographic information systems (GIS) studies and design and planning studies for storm water and waste water. Its clients include the City of Charlotte, Town of Garner, and City of Fayetteville in North Carolina; and the city and the county of Greenville in South Carolina.

ERCE is a professional and technical services firm providing a comprehensive range of environmental, infrastructure, and energy consulting, engineering, and analytical services to industrial and commercial companies and governmental agencies. The company has principal operating offices in Fairfax; Nashville, Tenn.; and San Diego.

CONTACT: Joseph F. Greeves of ERC Environmental and Energy Services Co., 703-246-0468

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomson McKinnon Asset Management L.P., a publicly traded limited partnership (NYSE: TMA) engaged in investment

management for private accounts and mutual funds, announced that it has changed its name to Thomson Advisory Group L.P. and its stock symbol to "TAG". The name change is effective Monday, Sept. 10; the company's shares will begin trading under the new symbol on Tuesday, Sept. 11.

The company also announced that Thomson McKinnon Investment Trust, a family of nine mutual funds, has been renamed, to Thomson Fund Group.

Thomson Advisory Group L.P. (TAGLP) manages a group of mutual funds and serves as advisor to private accounts through its Columbus Circle Investors and its Foxhall Investment Management divisions. As of June 30 1990, total assets under management exceeded $7 billion. TAGLP earlier this year announced an agreement under which senior members of its management, in conjunction with investment partnerships associated with Greylock Management Corporation and TA Associates, both of Boston, would purchase the general partnership interest in TAGLP from Thomson McKinnon Inc. It is anticipated that approval and closing of the transaction will take place around Oct. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: John O. Leasure of Thomson Advisory Group L.P., 212-482-5913

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#90253p2882 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

HECTOR, MINN. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Communications Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSII) announced today that the company's directors have declared a cash dividend of $.06 per share payable to shareholders of record on Sept. 21, 1990. The dividend will be distributed on Oct. 1, 1990.

CSI, headquartered in Hector, Minn., is principally engaged in the manufacture and sale of connecting devices for telephone equipment.

CONTACT: Curtis A. Sampson, Paul N. Hanson or Avis J. Johnson, 612-848-6231, all of CSI

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#90253p2883 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE R.P. Scherer Corporation announced today that it has signed a letter of intent for the sale of Scientific Associates, Inc. (SAI), its wholly owned subsidiary. The purchaser, SAI Acquisition Corporation, is headed by Peter J. Renaud, a former Scherer executive.

The undisclosed price includes a combination of cash, notes and the assumption of certain liabilities. Completion of the transaction is subject to the execution of a final agreement. It is expected that closing will occur before the end of September.

SAI is an independent testing laboratory in St. Louis and provides services to pharmaceutical, food and chemical companies. It employs 75 people and had sales last year of approximately $3.5 million.

Following the acquisition of R.P. Scherer by the group led by Shearson Lehman Hutton in June 1989, the company decided to undertake the program of divesting of certain of its non-encapsulating businesses. The sale of the assets of SAI is a part of this program.

R.P. Scherer is a leading developer and manufacturer of drug delivery systems. Scherer's proprietary and patented dosage delivery systems optimize the efficacy of drugs by regulating the dosage, rate of absorption and place of release. In addition to being the world's largest developer and manufacturer of softgels, Scherer's drug delivery range includes the patented Scherersol(R) and Zydis(R) systems. The company operates a global network of 14 facilities in 13 countries.

R.P. Scherer is now a subsidiary of RPS Corporation (OTC: RPCPP).

CONTACT: Alex Erdeljan of R.P. Scherer Corporation, 313-649-0900

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#90253p2884 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELKIN, N.C. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Brendle's Incorporated (NASDAQ-NMS: BRDL), a 58-store upscale, discount retail chain trading in the Southeast, announced today its Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer, Ogier Mathewes, formerly with RJR Industries/RJR Nabisco and Arthur Andersen & Company.

In making this announcement, Douglas D. Brendle, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "I am particularly pleased to make this announcement of Mr. Mathewes's appointment. His extensive senior financial experience, coupled with emphasis upon financial controls and treasury functions, brings a wealth of expertise to our financial department."

A native of Charleston, South Carolina, Mr. Mathewes is a 1967 graduate of the University of South Carolina with an M.B.A in Management. He and his wife, Elaine, and their four children will be relocating to the Winston-Salem area.

Brendle's Incorporated operates 58 discount retail stores in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, and Georgia which offer jewelry and nationally advertised, brand-name merchandise. The Company's shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol BRDL.

CONTACT: Dennis B. Johnson, President and Chief Operating Officer, Brendle's Incorporated, 919-526-6508

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#90253p2893 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesaba Aviation, Inc., today reported that it flew 21.4 million revenue passenger miles during the month of August, a 14.0 percent increase over 18.7 million revenue passenger miles flown during the same month last year (one revenue passenger flown one mile equals one revenue passenger mile). The airline said it carried 101,106 passengers in August, an increase of 14.2 percent over 88,552 passengers carried last August. Mesaba's load factor during the month was 58.6 percent, compared to 60.2 percent last year.

Robert D. Swenson, president and chairman of Mesaba, was very pleased with the month's strong traffic results. He said, "This was the first time in Mesaba's history that we carried over 100,000 passengers in one month."

Mesaba operates as Northwest Airlink under an airline marketing agreement with Northwest Airlines at the Minneapolis/St. Paul, Detroit and Milwaukee airports. The regional carrier currently provides scheduled airline service to 37 airports in the 10 states of Illinois, Iowa, Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and Wisconsin. The airline began new service to Kalamazoo, Mich., and Cincinnati, Ohio, from Detroit on Sept. 6, 1990.

Mesaba Aviation, Inc., is the wholly owned subsidiary of AirTran Corporation. AirTran's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ATCC.

MESABA AVIATION, INC. MONTHLY OPERATING STATISTICS

	August 1990	August 1989	Percent Change
Passengers carried:	101,106	88,552	+14.2
Available seat miles:	36,461,787	31,168,353	+17.0
Revenue pass. miles:	21,377,669	18,748,117	+14.0
System-wide load factor:	58.6 pct.	60.2 pct.	-1.6 pts.

CONTACT: Douglas P. Fulton of Mesaba Aviation, 612-726-5151, ext. 351

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#90253p2895 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CONCORD, MASS. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Nuclear Metals, Inc. (NASDAQ: NUCM), Concord, Mass.-based manufacturer of specialized metal products, today announced the award of a $4.2 million contract from Chamberlain Manufacturing Corporation for the delivery of 105mm depleted uranium

penetrators. This is for the most advanced ammunition used by the M1 Abrams Tank.

CONTACT: Daral Ferguson, vice president, finance of Nuclear Metals, Inc., 508-263-3119

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#90253p2897 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, Ariz. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Phelps Dodge Corporation (NYSE: PD) today announced the election of Scott A. Crozier as Associate General Counsel. Mr. Crozier will assume additional responsibilities in the company's legal department and will continue to serve as Director of the company's Environmental Services Department.

Mr. Crozier, 39, joined Phelps Dodge in 1988 as Senior Counsel after serving from 1980-1987 as Assistant Counsel of Talley Industries, Inc. Prior to working with Talley, he had been a Special Assistant to the Arizona Attorney General and a Staff Attorney with the Arizona Corporation Commission. Mr. Crozier holds B.A. (magna cum laude) and J. D. degrees from Arizona State University. He is a member of the Maricopa County and American Bar Associations.

Phelps Dodge Corporation is the world's second largest producer of copper. The company is also the world's second largest producer of carbon blacks, the leading North American fabricator of wheels and rims for medium and heavy trucks, a major manufacturer of magnet wire and specialty conductors and has operations and investments overseas in mines and wire and cable manufacturing facilities. The company's operations are located throughout the United States and in twenty-two other countries.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Foster of Phelps Dodge Corp., 602-234-8139.

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#90253p2902 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, Calif. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) today announced dBASE IV for Sun. The product is a full implementation of dBASE IV version 1.1 software, which has been optimized for the SunOS operating system. dBASE IV for Sun will be available in the fourth quarter of 1990 through authorized resellers in the United States. The product will be marketed and supported worldwide by Ashton-Tate.

"We are excited about today's announcement and what it means to both existing dBASE users and the UNIX community," said David Proctor, vice president and general manager of Ashton-Tate's database division. "For the first time, dBASE IV users can transparently port their existing DOS-based dBASE applications to take advantage of the power and

sophistication of Sun workstations. And, the UNIX community now has the PC-level ease of use and 4GL productivity tools of dBASE IV available on the leading UNIX-based workstations," Proctor explained.

"dBASE IV for Sun supports our strategy of promoting development of industry-standard, shrink-wrapped UNIX software previously available only to PC users," said Ed Zander, vice president, corporate marketing at Sun Microsystems. "The new software offers an easy-to-use language and tool set, as well as the ability to port thousands of existing dBASE applications for use in Sun's distributed workgroup computing environment. We anticipate phenomenal gains in resulting workgroup productivity."

Product Overview dBASE IV for Sun is a full implementation of Ashton-Tate's dBASE IV for DOS version 1.1. The product has been enhanced to take advantage of the SunOS environment and features, including multi-user and multi-tasking capabilities, virtual memory and full security. This integrated 4GL (Fourth Generation Language) product combines a comprehensive data management system and flexible application development language with 4GL programming and productivity tools.

dBASE IV for Sun maintains the same look and feel as the DOS version of dBASE IV version 1.1 and allows existing DOS-based dBASE applications to run on Sun workstations with little or no modification.

Product, Features, & Benefits True Portability Protects Application and Training Investments

-- dBASE applications can be moved across DOS-based PCs, UNIX systems including Sun and VAX VMS systems without reprogramming or data conversion (except for hardware differences)

-- dBASE source files, data files and compiled object files are compatible across PCs, UNIX systems and VAX VMS systems so applications written in dBASE IV can be moved across these platforms without changes.

-- dBASE IV provides a migration path for thousands of dBASE applications that have been written and used on DOS-based PCs

-- The migration path is transparent to preserve existing application investment while bringing the greater depth and breadth of sophisticated SunOS features to the workgroup dBASE environment.

-- PC-based dBASE applications are enhanced by the extended features of the multi-user, multi-tasking SunOS environment such as extended data storage and data sharing, larger memory, higher performance and greater security.

4GL Tools Decrease Application Development Costs
 -- dBASE IV Design Tools allow developers to quickly create such objects as screens, reports, views, pull-down and pop-up menus and sign-on banners.

 -- The Automatic Code Generator produces documented code for the created objects to maximize developer productivity.

 -- The Template Language permits developers to control the operation of the Automatic Code Generator in order to generate custom-tailored code.

 -- The symbolic, multi-windowed debugger and integrated program editor reduce debugging time.

 -- dBASE IV Utilities such as dB-Link and Build simplify distribution of end-user applications.

 -- Menu-driven Interface Minimizes Training and Support
 -- An innovative user interface streamlines data management and allows users, regardless of their computer experience, to perform many tasks without MIS support
 -- The menu-driven Control Center, with its built-in design tools, lets users create tables, forms, reports, queries and labels without programming
 -- dBASE IV Complements Existing Corporate Databases
 -- dBASE IV complements an existing OLTP DBMS with an easy-to-use productivity tool for users who do not have extensive UNIX and DBMS expertise
 -- dBASE IV brings the power of Sun workstations to more users, for more tasks, thereby, leveraging hardware investments
 -- Worldwide Support Network to Ensure Successful Implementation
 -- dBASE IV for Sun was developed by Ashton-Tate with the engineering support and expertise of Sun Microsystems and Interactive Systems Corp.
 -- The product will be supported worldwide by Ashton-Tate Corp.
 -- dBASE users are backed by a worldwide network of third-party training and application development organizations Pricing and Availability dBASE IV for Sun, with similar features as the Developer's Edition on a PC, starts at $995 for the single-user license. A Multi-User Pack, which adds up to four users, is priced at $2,995. Single-user and four-user RunTime licenses can be purchased for $395 and $995, respectively. Additional documentation can be purchased for $195. dBASE IV for Sun will be available in the fourth quarter of 1990.

System Requirement dBASE IV for Sun will run on all Sun systems including Sun-3, Sun-4, Sun386i, SPARCstations and SPARCservers. dBASE IV for Sun requires the SunOS version 4.0 operating system and a minimum of 4 MB of memory.

Headquartered in Torrance, Calif., Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software. The company's major product categories include database management systems word processing, integrated decision support, spreadsheets, graphics and software utilities. Ashton-Tate has international operations in most countries around the world, with products available in 20 languages in more than 50 countries. The company also offers a comprehensive line of training and support services for individuals, corporations and government agencies.

NOTE: R -- dBASE and Ashton-Tate are registered trademarks of Ashton-Tate Corp.

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#90253p2907 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEVELAND (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - BP America and its subsidiary BP Oil have entered into a conciliation agreement with the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP). The agreement addresses alleged discrimination in the employment and promotion of minorities within the companies' clerical staffs. An OFCCP audit of BP's employment activity for the two-year period 1988-89 alleges that the difference between BP's percentage of minority applicants for clerical positions and the percentage of minorities actually hired in those positions constitutes discrimination based on race.

BP America officials believe that what the OFCCP alleges to be discrimination is in fact the result of the companies' aggressive programs to reach minority applicants. In 1988-89, 60.5 percent of the external applications for clerical positions at BP were from minority applicants; 42.4 percent of the external applicants actually hired by BP were minorities. The percentage of minorities in the Greater Cleveland area workforce with the requisite skills for clerical jobs during that same period was only 25.7 percent.

"While we disagree with the Labor Department's interpretation of the facts in this case, we have voluntarily entered into this agreement in order to

remove any question of discrimination in the future," said BP America President and CEO James H. Ross. "We remain steadfastly committed to the principles of equal opportunity and affirmative action and intend to press forward with minority-focused programs."

Under the terms of the agreement, approximately 300 internal and 200 external minority applicants for BP clerical jobs during 1988-89 will receive a one-time compensatory payment from the company. The amount of the individual payments will be determined by an OFCCP formula with total payments to be an estimated $445,000. The company will also award 25 additional clerical positions to qualified minority applicants covered by the agreement.

Efforts are underway to strengthen program monitoring to assure that the company can continue to work toward hiring greater numbers of qualified minority workers and fully comply with OFCCP reporting requirements. BP America management expects the initial phase of the voluntary agreement to be completed within the next 90 days.

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#90253p2910 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

VINEYARD, UT (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Geneva Steel (NYSE: GNV) has completed the first of four phases in its environmental modernization program, company officials announced today.

The mill's Biological Wastewater Treatment Plant is a $7.5 million project that reduces the amount of ammonia in Geneva's coke flushing water. This is the first completed step in Geneva's $226 million modernization plan.

"This plant is the first of its kind in the world," said company President Joseph A. Cannon. "First, it uses a unique process that requires half the facilities of normal wastewater treatment plants. Second, it biologically treats full-strength ammonia wastewater without costly pre-treatment.

"The plant exemplifies Geneva's commitment to spend the money necessary to protect Utah County's environment," Cannon said.

The treatment plant not only improves the quality of Geneva's wastewater, but has significant air quality benefits as well.

Activated microorganisms in reactors remove ammonia from wastewater by converting it into water, nitrogen, and carbon dioxide.

The plant will also eliminate the current practice of cooling blast furnace slag with coke oven wastewater. The slag will now be cooled with

treated water, which will result in about an 85 percent reduction in particulate emissions from slag cooling.

"The patented Nite/Denite(TM) process that performs the treatment results in a more efficient and economical way to treat high-strength wastewater," said Richard D. Clayton, vice president of environment and special projects.

"The Geneva Team worked hard to complete this project on schedule," Cannon said. "We have built a complex, state-of-the-art facility in six months. The normal construction time is 18 to 24 months."

ENSR, a Houston-based environmental services firm, owns the technology for the treatment plant. Geneva contracted with ENSR to design, construct, and startup the plant.

"Whenever possible, Geneva used Utah suppliers, contractors, and equipment manufacturers," Cannon said. Utah-based Layton Construction began actual construction in March 1990.

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#90253p2912 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc. (CRIIMI MAE) (NYSE: CMM) announced that the board of directors declared the third quarter 1990 dividend in the amount of 27 cents per share.

This 27 cents per share will be paid on Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 19, 1990. CMM stock will begin trading ex-dividend on Sept. 13, 1990.

CRIIMI MAE, with assets of approximately $580 million, is a real estate investment trust specializing in U.S. government insured multifamily mortgage investments. CRIIMI MAE's advisor is an affiliate of CRI, Inc., the real estate investment firm based in the Washington area.

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#90253p2915 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - H.J. Heinz Co. (NYSE: HNZ) announced today a 13.2 percent increase in net income and a 12.5 percent increase in

earnings per share for the quarter ended Aug. 1, 1990, compared with the same period last year.

Net income for the three-month period was $143,237,000, compared with last year's $126,546,000. Earnings per share increased to 54 cents from 48 cents for the same period last year. The earnings per share numbers for the two periods reflect the two-for-one stock split in the form of a distribution of shares, effective Sept. 27, 1989.

Consolidated net sales for the first quarter were $1,559,243,000, a 7.4 percent increase over last year's total of $1,451,949,000. The increase in sales came primarily from price increases and the translation of strengthening foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar. Prices increased for nearly all major product categories.

Anthony J.F. O'Reilly, Heinz chairman, president and chief executive officer, said that the increase in sales is indicative of the strength of the company's major brands in their respective market categories. The result was an increase in net income and profit margins.

"We are encouraged by the first quarter results and are optimistic about our performance for the balance of the fiscal year," O'Reilly said.

H.J. HEINZ CO.
Consolidated Statement of Income
(000's omitted - except for per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended	
	8/1/90	8/2/89
Sales	$1,559,243	$1,451,949
Cost of products sold	946,450	882,852
Gross profit	612,793	569,097
Operating expenses	346,692	338,715
Operating income	266,101	230,382
Other expense, net	7,735	6,891
Interest expense, net	25,461	16,038
Income before income taxes	232,905	207,453
Provision for income taxes	89,668	80,907
Net income	143,237	126,546
Net income per share	$.54	$.48
Dividends per share	$.21	$.18

Prior period per share data has been restated to reflect the two-for-one stock split, in the form of a distribution of shares, effective September 1989.

CONTACT: L. Michael Kelly, Jr., 412-456-3840, or John E. Kennedy, 412-456-3586, both of Ketchum Public Relations, for H.J. Heinz Co.; or D. Edward I. Smyth, 412-456-5780, or Debora S. Foster, 412-456-5778, both of

H.J. Heinz Co.

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#90253p2916 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
NUTLEY, N.J. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Hoffmann-La Roche today announced that it plans to further expand the availability of its anti- HIV drug ddC (dideoxycytidine) to patients with AIDS and advanced ARC in the United States. Preparations are beginning immediately to implement a program that will allow physicians to treat patients with ddC after AZT intolerance develops or treatment fails.

In June of this year, Roche initiated a program to expand the access of ddC beyond its use in controlled clinical trials for patients with AIDS and advanced ARC. The protocol required that patients be intolerant to or have failed AZT (zidovudine) and also have intolerance to the experimental drug ddI (dideoxyinosine). At the time the first ddC expanded access program was initiated, Roche announced that it would widen the availability of its antiviral drug when the company's medical professionals were satisfied that adequate safety information had been obtained from this study and other trials in the clinical research program.

First ddC Expanded Access Program Initiated on June 25 The original program, administered through an open-label safety protocol under an Investigational New Drug (IND) application submitted to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), was implemented in two phases. During the first phase, only physicians having experience with ddC, also known as HIVID (TM), were permitted to administer the drug in an effort to carefully monitor patients and identify any unexpected drug-related toxicities. After studying the first group of patients for one month and finding no serious toxicities, Roche has moved the program into its second phase in which any licensed physician who has experience in treating AIDS is eligible to participate in the study.

Preparations Begin for New ddC Program In order to make ddC available as soon as possible to the expanded population, Roche will revise the current protocol to allow the physicians already registered in the program to enroll new patients who have failed AZT treatment or developed an intolerance. At the same time, a new streamlined protocol will be prepared to allow physicians not already registered to gain access to ddC for their patients. As with all studies involving investigational drugs, eligible patients will be required to meet specific entry criteria.

This ddC program builds upon the experience gained with the other ongoing ddC studies and combines the input of FDA officials, clinical investigators and the AIDS activist community. Whaijen Soo, M.D., Ph.D., director of the Clinical Virology Program at Roche, said, "Our main concern has always been patient safety, and we need to remain cautious

about ddC in this new patient population. However, we are hopeful that this expansion of our ddC program will help many persons with AIDS."

As with the previously announced study, physicians may call 1-800-ddC-21-HIV, Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Eastern Time, for more information about entering a patient into the ddC expanded access program.

Ongoing ddC Clinical Trials Roche has two pivotal ddC clinical trials currently open to enrollment. The first trial, being conducted at over 26 sites across the United States, compares ddC with AZT in patients with AIDS or advanced ARC. The second trial, recently expanded to 12 sites, compares AZT with ddC in patients who have completed one year of treatment with AZT. Patients in either study who become intolerant to AZT will be able to receive ddC. In addition, Roche is conducting clinical investigations where ddC is administered concomitantly or alternately with other therapeutic agents.

Patients and physicians can obtain more information about these trials by calling the AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service at 1-800-TRIALS-A or Roche at 1-800-526-6367.

About Hoffmann-La Roche Hoffmann-La Roche is widely known for original research and development in the health care field. The company has produced numerous important prescription drugs and is a leader in biotechnology. Roche also provides a wide range of diagnostic products and clinical laboratory services and is a major producer of pure bulk vitamins and medicinal products used in the food, pharmaceutical, cosmetic and animal health fields. In addition, the company recently launched a new business that provides infusion therapy for patients who can be treated outside the hospital.

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#90253p2922 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Seagram Company Ltd. (NYSE: VO) announced that its board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to 5 percent of its common shares outstanding as of Sept. 25, 1990, as an appropriate and desirable investment. This would represent approximately 4,703,310 shares out of 94,066,198 shares outstanding as of August 31, 1990. Seagram may purchase the shares on the open market through the facilities of the Montreal, Toronto and New York Stock Exchanges from time to time over the course of twelve months commencing Sept. 25, 1990. Under its previous share repurchase program, which expires Sept. 24, 1990, 2,098,600 common shares were repurchased as of Aug. 31, 1990, at an average price of US$78.04.

CONTACT: Richard Russack or Robert Kasmire of Adams & Rinehart, Inc., 212-557-0100, for Joseph E. Seagram & Sons, Inc.

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#90253p2923 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, N.J. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Konica U.S.A. Inc., a unit of Konica Corporation of Japan, has introduced a new formaldehyde-free color negative stabilizer.

The new Konica Formaldefree(TM) Color Negative Super Stabilizer eliminates the need for using formaldehyde in color film processing. Till now a key ingredient in the film processing procedure, formaldehyde has come under increasing attack by health agencies as a carcinogen and for otherwise harming the health of workers exposed to the gas.

"Konica Formaldefree represents a significant advance for the environment and for the health of people in professional and amateur photofinishing laboratories. Formulations are also available for wash and washless minilabs," said Maury Kahn, general manager of technical services at Konica U.S.A. Inc. "A safe substitute for film stabilizers containing formaldehyde, it maintains the same level of dye stability on color negative film that formaldehyde does."

In 1989, according to the Photo Marketing Association, Americans spent $5.34 billion on photofinishing.

Formaldehyde is listed as a possible carcinogen by a number of health organizations, including the EPA. The state of California considers products containing formaldehyde to be known carcinogens. Government health organizations report that formaldehyde exposure can cause irritations to the mouth, throat and eyes, and that ingestion can lead to liver and kidney damage.

"Under development for several years, Konica Formaldefree was created for its safety and photographic properties," Kahn said.

Konica Formaldefree Color Negative Super Stabilizer is available for use in professional and amateur photofinishing labs and in wash and washless minilabs. There were 15,500 minilabs in operation in 1989, the Wolfman Report notes.

"Ever since 1903, when the company made Japan's first photographic paper, Konica has been a leader in changing the photo industry to the benefit of the consumer," said Paul Gordon, advertising and marketing manager for Konica U.S.A. Inc. "By becoming the first company to announce the availability of a formaldehyde-free stabilizer product, Konica has once

again demonstrated its leadership role."

The product is distributed to Process C-41 and equivalent washless minilabs in packages that make 10 liters of replenisher and working solution. It is also available for professional and amateur photofinishing laboratories and minilabs using Process C-41 or equivalent with wash water in continuous or roller transport film processors, in packages that make 75 and 150 gallons.

The new stabilizer is available in 10 liter mixes for washless minilabs as Konica Color Negative Film Super Stabilizer and Replenisher Type 52. In large size mixes, it is available as Konica Formaldefree Color Negative Super Stabilizer.

Konica U.S.A. Inc., based in Englewood Cliffs, is a leading worldwide manufacturer and marketer of Konica brand 35mm cameras, color print film, color print paper, Nice Print minilabs, Still Video System and videotape.

CONTACT: Maury Kahn or Paul Gordon, 201-568-3100.

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#90253p2924 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The United States Court of Appeals for the 8th Circuit in Minneapolis ruled Sept. 7 in favor of John Morrell & Co. in two cases involving the United Food & Commercial Workers Union's 1987 strike at Morrell's Sioux Falls, S.D., plant. John Morrell & Co. is a subsidiary of Chiquita Brands International, Inc. (NYSE: CQB).

In the first case, the Court of Appeals upheld a 1988 jury verdict against the union originally rendered in Rapid City, S.D. Federal District Court. The jury had found that the union's 1987 strike was illegal and awarded Morrell damages in the amount of $24.6 million. With accrued interest, this award against the union now has a value of approximately $27 million.

In the second case, the Court of Appeals upheld an earlier decision in favor of Morrell refusing to give back pay to the strikers.

Morrell's chairman, Milton J. Schloss, said, "We are pleased the Court of Appeals has ruled in Morrell's favor on all aspects of these cases."

CONTACT: Sandra W. Heimann of Chiquita Brands International, Inc., 513-784-8011

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#90253p2925 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwest Airlines Co. flew 990.0 million

revenue passenger miles (RPMs) in August 1990, a 10.7 percent increase over the 894.0 million RPMs flown in August of last year. Available seat miles (ASMs) increased 9.1 percent to 1,447.9 million from the August 1989 level of 1,326.8 million. The load factor for the month was 68.4 percent, up 1.0 point from last year's load factor of 67.4 percent.

For the first eight months of 1990, Southwest flew 6,796.0 million RPMs, compared with 6,367.3 million RPMs recorded for the same period in 1989, an increase of 6.7 percent. Available seat miles increased 11.1 percent to 10,846.6 million from the 1989 year-to-date level of 9,763.0 million. The 1990 year-to-date load factor was 62.7 percent, compared to 65.2 percent for the same period last year, a decrease of 2.5 points.

CONTACT: Grace Kelly of Southwest Airlines, 214-904-4363

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#90253p2929 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KS (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Midwest Inc. (NASDAQ: AMWI) reported that it carried 75,916 passengers during August of 1990, a decrease of 17.9 percent over the 92,471 passengers boarded in the same period last year. Revenue passenger miles were down 7.4 percent to 17,108,685 and available seat miles decreased from 42,946,100 to 40,211,661 in the same reporting period, a decrease of 6.4 percent. The load factor for August, 42.5 percent, is a decrease of 0.5 percentage points from last year.

CONTACT: Robert Priddy of Air Midwest, 316-942-8137

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#90253p2935 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Builders Square announced today the appointment of James T. Schaffer to executive vice president/chief operating officer of Builders Square, effective immediately.

Schaffer, 44, fills a newly created position at the national home improvement chain's headquarters in San Antonio.

Prior to this appointment, Schaffer served as president of Erb Lumber Company, a privately held multi-million dollar home center chain with facilities in three states. He has also held key executive positions with Diamond Lumber, Inc, Grossman's Inc. and Sav-A-Stop, Inc. Schaffer's retail career began in 1967 with Sears, Roebuck & Co.

A graduate of Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa., with a B.A. in international relations, Schaffer has also completed postgraduate work in

business administration at Radford University in Virginia. His professional affiliations include the Home Center Industry - Leadership Council and the President's Council - Home Center Industry.

K mart Corporation (NYSE: KM) serves America with more than 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. K mart, currently operating 2,331 K mart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse, Inc. and The Sports Authority.

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#90253p2937 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Continuing a tradition established during World War I, America's largest brewer, Anheuser- Busch, Inc., today announced it will donate 22,000 cases of its O'Doul's Non-Alcoholic Brew to U.S. military personnel serving in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf.

"More than 70 years ago," said Michael J. Roarty, Anheuser-Busch executive vice president/corporate marketing and communications, "we supplied U.S. troops with a non-alcoholic beverage called Bevo. And today, thanks to the cooperation of armed forces officials, we are glad to make a similar gesture to the thousands of American men and women who are also serving their country overseas.

"We decided on this quantity of donation -- 22,000 cases -- because we are told that would average a six-pack of O'Doul's for each serviceman or woman currently on duty in the Persian Gulf region."

A spokesperson for the U.S. armed services welcomed the gift as especially appropriate in light of the Middle East climate.

"The temperature in the region has been in the 110-degree range almost every day, so this is going to be well-received by our troops," said U.S. Rep. Marvin Leath (D-Texas), House Armed Services Subcommittee, chairman of the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Panel.

The troop supply of O'Doul's is being brewed and packaged at the company's plant in Tampa, Fla., Roarty said. From there, it will be trucked to Charleston, S.C., and there loaded aboard ship for transport to Saudi Arabia and distribution to American troops.

"The shipment will arrive in Saudi Arabia 10-12 days after that," he said.

Army and Air Force supply officials contacted Anheuser-Busch last week to inquire into the availability of a non-alcoholic brew for American troops

in the desert.

Leath noted that when a reporter asked an American tank crewman about the weather, he replied, "Send in the Budweiser plane."

"It is too bad that we can't accommodate this crewman," he said. "But because of religious and governmental restrictions in Saudi Arabia, it is not possible at this time to respond exactly to that request. So Anheuser-Busch has responded with an appropriate alternative."

Roarty said that in making the donation, Anheuser-Busch intended to send a message of encouragement as well as a supply of O'Doul's to U.S. troops.

Anheuser-Busch, a long-time supporter of the USO, recently donated $500,000 to the USO to help support various services and provide entertainment for U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf and Saudi Arabia. Included in those USO services is a commitment by comedian Jay Leno to entertain U.S. personnel in the Middle East during the Thanksgiving holidays.

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#90253p2943 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (PE) reported today that Unit 2 at the Limerick Generating Station in Montgomery County shut down automatically at 9:11 a.m., today, due to an instrumentation malfunction.

PE said plant systems operated as designed, resulting in a safe shutdown. There was no release of radiation. Federal, state and local officials were notified.

The company said the malfunction occurred in a steam line leak detection system of a main steam isolation valve, one of a series of valves that isolate the reactor from the unit's turbine generator.

The instrumentation falsely reported a high temperature reading in a steam line tunnel, causing the reactor to automatically shut down. The unit was operating at 100 percent power at the time.

PE said it will test to confirm the cause of the malfunction and perform maintenance on the reactor before returning it to service by the end of the week.

Limerick Unit 1 is out of service until late November for a scheduled

refueling outage.

CONTACT: Bill Jones of the Philadelphia Electric Co., 215-841-4129

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#90253p2944 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - T Cell Sciences, Inc. (NASDAQ: TCEL) today reported first-quarter fiscal year 1991 results which include sales revenues of $815,000, compared to $730,000 for the same period last year. Total revenues for the quarter were $2.7 million, a 30 percent increase over the same quarter a year ago.

Operating expenses also increased, totalling $3.7 million for the quarter, as compared to $2.7 million for the first quarter last year. The majority of this increase is related to accelerated product development work for the company's complement blocker, as well as several T cell antigen receptor projects. The operating deficit for the first three months of the fiscal year amounted to $987,000 ($.10 per share), as compared to last year's first-quarter loss of $637,000 ($.08 per share). Cash reserves as of July 31, 1990, were $11 million.

"Operating results for the quarter are in line with our expectations," said James D. Grant, chairman and chief executive officer of T Cell Sciences, Inc. "Our plan is to accelerate several product development programs, especially those aimed at targeting specific T cell antigen receptor therapeutic products for treating autoimmune diseases and cancer. Revenues continued to increase and we anticipate continued strong revenues as new products are marketed and as we reach milestones for our product development agreements."

Utilizing proprietary T cell receptor and soluble receptor technology, T Cell Sciences, Inc. is developing pharmaceutical products to treat heart disease and autoimmune diseases as well as products for diagnosing and monitoring immune system disorders and cancer. Located in Cambridge, the company currently markets products to the scientific community and an FDA-approved test kit to the diagnostic market.

T CELL SCIENCES, INC.

Quarter ended July 31:	1990	1989
Revenues - product	$814,827	$729,772
- collaborative research	1,679,853	1,172,213
- interest	211,579	187,478
Total revenues	2,706,259	2,089,463
Total operating expense	3,693,599	2,726,801
Net income/(loss)	(987,340)	(637,338)
Net income/(loss) per share	$(.10)	$(.08)
Wtd. avg. common shares outstanding	9,903,298	8,320,398

CONTACT: James D. Grant, chairman and CEO, or Susan Primrose, 617-621-1400, both of T Cell Sciences, or Fred Spar of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for T Cell Sciences

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#90253p2947 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Novacorp International Consulting Inc., a subsidiary of NOVA Corp. of Alberta (AMEX, Toronto, Montreal: NVA), has been awarded a contract with CNG Transmission Corp. of Clarksburg, W.Va., worth approximately $2 million.

The contract is to provide engineering services for four compressor stations in Pennsylvania and Ohio.

This is part of CNG Transmission's expansion plans to increase natural gas volumes in the northeastern United States.

CNG Transmission Corp., a subsidiary of Consolidated Natural Gas Co. (CNG) operates a regional interstate pipeline system supplying natural gas to utilities in the Midwest, Mid-Atlantic and Northeast, including Consolidated's own gas distribution companies.

Novacorp provides technologically advanced engineering, specialized products and operating expertise for pipeline transportation systems and petrochemicals to clients around the world.

A is a widely held, shareholder-owned company operating internationally from world headquarters in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

CONTACT: D.G. Olafson, 403-290-7321, C. D. Richards, 403-290-7301, both of NOVA Corp. of Alberta.

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#90253p2949 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Jane L. Fincher, an investment executive in PaineWebber Incorporated's Miami office, has been named to the PaineWebber Retirement Planning Consultant Network, a national group of experts in the area of retirement planning, announced Otto Busot branch manager.

This distinguishes Fincher as one of the firm's most knowledgeable investment executives in the area of retirement planning. As a retirement planning consultant, Fincher has access to specialized support for her business, allowing her to offer consistent, top quality retirement planning services for corporations, businesses, and individuals.

Busot said, "Jane's appointment to the Retirement Planning Consultant Network demonstrates her expertise in retirement planning and provides her with the support necessary to enhance her already exceptional performance in this specialized area."

Fincher joined PaineWebber in 1988 as a vice president. Prior to that she was with Smith Barney as a vice president of sales. She is a resident of Coconut Grove. Fincher is a board member of the Community Alliance Against AIDS and also a trustee member of the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce.

PaineWebber Incorporated is one of the nation's leading full-service securities firms, with 285 offices and 4,500 investment executives nationwide. The Miami office is located at 100 South East Second Street, Miami, Florida, 33131. The phone number is (305) 536-9217.

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#90253p2951 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLENWOOD, ILL. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Tech/Ops Landauer, Inc. (AMEX: TO), announced today that James M. O'Connell has joined the company as vice president of finance and administration and chief financial officer, reporting to Thomas M. Fulton, president and chief executive officer. In this position, O'Connell will also be responsible for contacts with the investment community.

O'Connell was formerly vice president and CFO of Darome, Inc., of Chicago. He received his M.B.A. from Northwestern University, and a B.S. in accounting from St. Joseph's College. A CPA, he has held senior financial management positions with several service and manufacturing companies.

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#90253p2955 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The J.E. Robert Companies announced today that it is offering for bulk sale eight multi-family apartment complexes totaling 2,015 units through a sealed bid process.

The high quality, well maintained properties, owned by Heartland Federal Savings and Loan Association of Ponca City, Okla., are located in Phoenix, Colorado Springs, Albuquerque, Dallas, San Antonio and El Paso. Current occupancy rates range as high as 96 percent.

The real estate is being sold for "Cash Sale Only" in bulk through a sealed-bid sale process. All bidding is open to the general public. Although bids on the entire package are preferred, offers will be considered on groups of properties within a particular region. Bid packages are available through the J.E. Robert Companies, Marketing Department, 11 Canal Center Plaza, Suite 200, Alexandria, VA 22314, or by calling 703-739-4400. Expected deadline for bid submission is Nov. 15, 1990.

Lighthouse-Robert Management Group, an affiliate of the J.E. Robert Companies, has been managing Heartland Federal under the government's management consignment program. The J.E. Robert Companies is one of the nation's largest firms whose primary business is the management, marketing and sale of commercial real estate, real estate loans, and other underperforming real estate assets. The J.E. Robert Companies also specializes in the active crisis management of failing financial institutions and their subsidiary companies.

Heartland Federal, a recapitalized institution with approximately $1 billion in assets, is the most profitable thrift in Oklahoma.

CONTACT: Joseph Hevey, executive vice president of Heartland Federal, 214-556-2266, Sept. 11-14, 918-749-3301

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#90253p2957 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Newport Corp. (NASDAQ: NEWP) today reported sales for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990, totaling $58,807,000 a 3 percent increase over the $57,329,000 reported for the previous year.

Earnings per share declined to 59 cents from the 85 cents reported for the 1989 fiscal year, while net income for the year decreased to $4,658,000, from the previous year's $7,066,000.

For the fourth quarter, sales totaled $16,138,000, up 10 percent over the $14,632,000 reported for the corresponding quarter in fiscal 1989. Net income for the quarter decreased $526,000 to $1,215,000 from the fiscal 1989 fourth quarter. On a per share basis, earnings for the quarter were 16 cents compared with 21 cents for the prior year period. The results for prior year fourth quarter included a net gain from sale of an investment totaling four cents per share.

"While domestic sales were up 10 percent over the third quarter results," noted Tom Galantowicz, president of Newport, "domestic orders continued to be weak reflecting an industry-wide weakness in research funding."

Galantowicz continued, "International sales continued to be strong, for the quarter up 41 percent over fiscal 1989 fourth quarter results. For the year they totaled $17,323,000, up 26 percent over 1989. Our international sales growth was broadly based throughout the world.

"This year's fourth quarter operating income," Galantowicz said, "was impacted by increased trade show and advertising expenses, receivable reserves and product development activity.

"We expect," Galantowicz concluded, "continuation during 1991 of the strong international sales growth aided by a higher backlog, new products and increased international marketing efforts. The domestic market, however, remains uncertain. We believe we are positioned for increased market penetration in strategic geographic markets in fiscal 1991."

Newport Corp. is the leading worldwide manufacturer and marketer of a comprehensive line of precision instruments, components and accessories for the laser and electro-optical market. Customers include Fortune 500 corporations, diverse small businesses, national research laboratories, government and educational institutions.

NEWPORT CORPORATION
Consolidated Financial Highlights
(Amounts in thousands, except per share)

	Quarter ended July 31		Percent
	1990	1989	Change
Net sales	$16,138	$14,632	10 percent
Net income	1,215	1,741	(30 percent)
Earnings per share	$0.16	$0.21	(24 percent)
Weighted average common and equivalent shares	7,526	8,347	(10 percent)

	Year ended July 31		Percent
	1990	1989	Change
	(Audited)		
Net sales	$58,807	$57,329	3 percent
Net income	4,658	7,066	(34 percent)
Earnings per share	$0.59	$0.85	(31 percent)
Weighted average common and equivalent shares	7,956	8,353	(5 percent)

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NEW HYDE PARK, N.Y. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Welbilt Company announced today that Marion Antonini, recently named chairman of the company's board of directors, was elected president and chief executive officer. Richard Hirsch continues as chairman of the Welbilt executive committee and remains actively involved as a director and major shareholder of the company.

Antonini was most recently chairman of KD Equities, a New York-based investment firm. Previously, he served with Xerox Corporation as group vice president of worldwide operations and as president of international operations. In addition, Antonini was president of Eltra International and vice president of Kaiser Jeep. Besides Welbilt, his directorships include Engelhard Corporation, Vulcan Materials Company and Scientific-Atlanta.

Antonini stated, "I am pleased and excited by Welbilt's tremendous worldwide potential. We can look forward to productive continuity in the strong and positive relationships enjoyed by our people and products."

Welbilt is a major manufacturer of commercial food service equipment (including gas and electric ranges, deep-fat fryers, ice machines, warming equipment, steam cooking products and doughnut making equipment) and residential furnaces. Welbilt's products bear such well-known trade names as Garland, Frymaster, Ice-O-Matic, Cleveland Range and Belshaw and are market leaders with reputations for high-quality and reliable service.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Legendary entertainer Steve Allen, MTM Enterprises Inc., and MTV Networks have entered into an historic TV deal whereby 100 half-hour episodes of the comedy classic "The Steve Allen Show" will be broadcast on MTV Network's "HA! The TV Comedy Network" commencing Oct. 1, 1990, it was jointly announced today by Steve Allen, William (Bill) Allen, executive vice president, MTM Television (and son of Steve), and Ed Bennett, president, "HA! The TV Comedy Network."

The agreement grants MTV Network's "HA!" network an exclusive U.S. broadcast window of three years for the episodes. MTM Enterprises Inc. holds worldwide distribution and home video rights to the episodes, and is in the process of preparing the original episodes for rebroadcast, under the personal supervision of Steve Allen.

The 100 episodes of the trend-setting, award-winning series have been culled from kinescopes stored by Steve Allen in his personal vault in a

Los Angeles warehouse over the years, and have not been televised since they were first aired live on NBC from June 24, 1956, through June 6, 1960. MTM Enterprises Inc. is producing new color introductions, in which Steve Allen sets up each episode with personal remembrances and anecdotes.

Regarding the historic re-broadcasting of "The Steve Allen Show," Allen said, "It was always obvious that both the writing of the series and our regular cast were terrific, but what is remarkable to me, now, seeing this material again after so many years, is how we were able to build strong and funny sketches around major stars who had never had the opportunity to test their comedic wings before. I think audiences today will get a kick out of the real laughs generated by some of their favorite, dramatic film stars, as well as enjoying the all-time great comedy specialists who joined us."

Bill Allen said, "The wealth of comedy ideas packed into each show is remarkable, especially considering that in the 1950s, 39 programs were delivered per year, not the 26 or less that are common now. And in addition to the topical and satirical sketches seen each week on 'The Steve Allen Show,' there were many regular departments that became popular such as 'Letters to the Editor,' 'The Question Man,' 'Crazy Shots,' 'The Allen Report to the Nation,' and of course, 'Man on the Street.'

"Another thing that impresses me about this series," Bill Allen adds, "is that there's nothing the least bit old-fashioned about it. 'The Steve Allen Show' group of players and the great sketches they did seem as hip now, in the 90s, as they were originally. This is really laugh-out-loud comedy.

Bennett added, "Steve Allen is certainly one of the pioneering giants of the television industry. His unparalleled improvisational skills and multi-faceted talents made 'The Steve Allen Show' one of the greatest comedy shows of all time. The stars who appeared on the program read like a virtual 'who's who' of the entertainment industry. 'HA!'s' acquisition of these episodes represents the goal we've set for our new channel, which is to provide the greatest comedy programming in the world to our viewers."

MTV Networks, a division of Viacom International Inc., owns and operates four cable television programming services: MTV: Music Television, VH-1, Nickelodeon/Nick At Nite, and "HA! The TV Comedy Network," which was launched April 1, 1990.

MTM Television is a division of MTM Enterprises Inc., which is wholly owned by TVS Entertainment PLC.

CONTACT: Barry Kluger, VP-PR of "Ha! The TV Comedy Network," 212-713-6452; or Dan Harary or Peter Berk of The Lippin Group (L.A.),

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212-986-7080, for MTM Enterprises Inc.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Dallas-based United Medicorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: UMCI) announced today the formation of United Medicorp Finance Corporation (UMFC), a wholly owned finance subsidiary. UMFC, initially capitalized at $2 million, will provide advance funding to qualified United Medicorp clients and will also be the principal vehicle through which United Medicorp obtains public and private financing for its various programs.

Bernard Gawley, newly elected vice president of financial services, will be responsible for the management of UMFC. Gawley, most recently associated with Carnegie Evans as vice president/manager of health care funding, was previously a vice president with Merrill Lynch & Co. where he managed, consecutively, Merrill's long-term care finance unit and the insured mortgage finance department, with specific emphasis on the health care field and related financings.

G. Ray Miller, United Medicorp chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The formation of UMFC is another significant step forward in the establishment of United Medicorp as a major player in the medical insurance claim finance arena. We are especially fortunate to have the guidance and direction of Gawley who has a proven track record in health care finance."

United Medicorp provides medical insurance claims processing, management, collection and advance funding services to health care providers. The company employs proprietary electronic and computer technologies to address the claims management and cash flow needs of its customers, who are primarily hospitals, medical clinics and physicians.

CONTACT: Mark C. Myers, president of United Medicorp, 214-691-2140

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#90253p2970 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Apache Corp. (NYSE: APA) today announced the completion of its Drummond No. 3-12 in the Ardmore basin of southern Oklahoma flowing 487 barrels of oil and 338 thousand cubic feet (Mcf) of gas per day from perforations in the Tulip Creek Sandstone between 4,645 and 4,940 feet.

The well was tested on a 26/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 100 pounds per square inch (psi). Apache operates and owns a 35.1

percent working interest in the well, which it acquired as part of a farmout arrangement in mid-1988. The new producer is located in Marshall County's Aylesworth field, where the company has completed a total of four oil and gas wells since November 1989.

The company also reported the completion of two Anadarko basin gas wells it operates in Roger Mills County, Oklahoma's Moorewood field. The Joe Smith No. 1-16 flowed 4.4 MMcf of gas and 58 barrels of oil per day on completion in the Prue sand formation between 11,148 and 11,196 feet. The flow rate was gauged on a 15/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 3,490 psi. Apache holds a 41.8 percent working interest in the well. About a mile to the west, the Williams No. 3-17, in which Apache owns a 8.5 percent working interest, was completed flowing 3.4 MMcf of gas per day from the Prue sand formation. This well was tested on a 12/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 4,160 psi. Another Apache-operated well in Moorewood field is currently awaiting completion operations. The company has completed four gas wells in the field so far this year.

Apache is an independent energy company engaged in exploration, development and production of natural gas and crude oil. The company's securities are traded on the New York and Midwest Stock Exchanges (symbol APA).

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#90253p2972 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. employees of Reuters news agency have voted overwhelmingly to authorize their union leadership to call a strike against the company, the Newspaper Guild of New York announced Monday.

Guild members, in meetings in Reuters' (NASDAQ: RTRSY) major U.S. centers last week, voted by better than a 20-1 margin for the strike authorization. The Guild represents nearly 500 employees.

Contract talks began nearly a year ago and have become particularly contentious over Reuters' demands that it substantially raise the cost to employees for their health insurance, cut maternity benefits, and slash severance pay.

Guild negotiators have asked for a federal mediator to intervene. Reuters management, however, rejected that offer.

Reuters' employees have shown their anger over management's position through various job actions, including informational picketing at the New

York and American stock exchanges, and at Reuters offices.

The strike vote comes as Reuters, the London-based news and information agency, prepares to launch its long-anticipated financial- trading services.

One is called Globex, touted as allowing commodities brokers to trade futures contracts at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange after the exchange is closed.

Another is "Dealing 2000" which, if it proceeds as planned, will dramatically expand the ability of banks and other investors to trade currencies directly over Reuters screens.

"Reuters must realize that the validity of these products as well as the integrity of the current day-to-day business of the company depends on employees who feel they are being treated fairly," said Barry Lipton, president of the Newspaper Guild of New York.

The Guild represents journalists, technicians, computer operators, sales support staff, customer service and clerical employees.

"There have been some questions raised about the status of Reuters' new products," Lipton said.

"Reuters is a fine organization, in many ways, but it's bewildering that a company currently doing so well would risk so much by going out of its way to upset its employees," Lipton said.

CONTACT: Barry Lipton president, or Jim Madden, or Bill O'Meara, 212-575-1580, all of Newspaper Guild of New York.

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#90253p2981 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Trustees of Vanguard Real Estate Fund I (NASDAQ-NMS: VEROS) has declared a quarterly distribution in the amount of $.15 per share, payable on Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 26.

This distribution is consistent with the Fund's policy of paying a level dividend during the first three quarters of the year, with an additional payment at year-end should earnings and cash flow permit.

Vanguard Real Estate Fund I is invested in a diversified portfolio of existing, income-producing commercial properties, including office buildings, a shopping center, and warehouses, located throughout the country. The Fund also invests in "equity-oriented" mortgage loans, such

as shared appreciation mortgages.

Shares of Vanguard Real Estate Fund I trade on the NASDAQ National Market System. The NASDAQ trading symbol for the Fund is VREOS and the newspaper listing is VREF I.

This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy shares of Vanguard Real Estate Fund I.

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#90253p2983 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Trustees of Vanguard Real Estate Fund II has declared a quarterly distribution in the amount of $.15 cents per share, payable on Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 26.

This distribution is consistent with the Fund's policy of paying a level dividend during the first three quarters of the year, with an additional payment at year-end should earnings and cash flow permit.

Vanguard Real Estate Fund II is invested in a diversified portfolio of existing, income-producing commercial properties located throughout the country. The Fund also invests in "equity-oriented" mortgage loans, such as shared appreciation mortgages.

This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy shares of Vanguard Real Estate Fund I.

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#90253p2986 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Japan Airlines (JAL) and Lockheed Corp. (NYSE: LK) reported today they have signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to discuss JAL's investment in Lockheed Commercial Aircraft Center Inc. (LCAC), a subsidiary of Lockheed. LCAC was formed by Lockheed in July 1990 to perform maintenance and modification of B-747 aircraft.

LCAC is headquartered in San Bernardino at Norton Air Force Base. Norton is one of the military facilities scheduled for closure by 1994. LCAC has signed a joint-usage agreement with the U.S. Air Force to occupy two bays of a four-bay hangar. When the Air Force vacates the facility LCAC will occupy the additional two bays. Each bay, which is 48,000 square feet, can

accommodate 747-size aircraft.

JAL anticipates there will be a significant number of its aging 747 aircraft requiring modification in the near future. The MOU initiates specifications regarding agreements for equity participation, JAL's technical and management assistance, and maintenance of JAL aircraft.

With 65 B-747 aircraft in current service, JAL has the world's largest B-747 fleet and has a wealth of experience in the maintenance and modification of this aircraft. JAL has on order another 69 of the latest version, the B-747-400, with 35 on firm contract and options for another 34.

LCAC is currently modifying the hangars to meet commercial specifications for maintenance and modification. The facility is expected to be operational in the first quarter of 1991. At the end of the first year LCAC will employ about 600 people, which will increase to nearly 1,000 employees by 1994.

CONTACT: John R. Dailey of Lockheed (office), 714-395-2357.

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#90253p2987 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KAN. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) announced today the formation of a wholesale power marketing group to spearhead long-term sales of the company's available capacity in the wholesale bulk power market.

The company already has under consideration a sale resulting from the new effort, 25 to 30 megawatts to a municipal utility through a broker.

The new specialized group within KG&E charged with arranging the sale of available capacity is headed by Kent Brown, group vice president. Brown, who will continue to have responsibility for the company's technical services, expects to make the new effort to wholesale power a top priority.

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#90253p2988 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - American Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: APFC; PSE: APFP) announced today that it had filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 4, 1990, relating to the proposed offer and sale of 2,062,000 shares of its common stock, 1,900,000 shares to be sold by it and 162,000 shares to be sold by certain selling stockholders. The managing underwriters of

the proposed offering are PaineWebber Inc. and Kidder, Peabody & Co. Inc. The company also indicated that it had granted the underwriters an option to purchase from it 309,000 additional shares of common stock to cover over-allotments.

American Pacific Corp. is engaged in the production of ammonium perchlorate for the aerospace and national defense industries, and in the development of commercial and industrial real estate and the production of pollution abatement and waste water treatment equipment. It also proposes to engage in the production of sodium azide, the principal component of the gas generator used in automotive airbag systems.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold, nor may offers to buy be accepted, prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state. Copies of a prospectus relating to the proposed offering may be obtained from the managing underwriters at the following addresses: PaineWebber Inc., 1285 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019; or Kidder, Peabody & Co. Inc., 10 Hanover Square, New York, NY 10005.

CONTACT: C. Keith Rooker of American Pacific, 702-735-2200.

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#90253p2991 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAUKEGAN, IL (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Outboard Marine Corp. (OMC) (NYSE: OM) today announced that its Australian subsidiary, Outboard Marine Corp. (Australia) Pty. Ltd., has signed agreements to acquire certain assets of an Australian company, D.S.& N. Nominees Pty. Ltd., that will allow OMC to manufacture and market Stacer Alloy Craft Boats.

The Stacer Alloy Craft line, according to OMC, includes aluminum fishing, runabout and utility boats ranging from 10 to 21 feet in length. OMC said it intends to acquire existing inventory of the boats as well as the company's manufacturing operations based in Altona, near Melbourne.

When its acquisition is completed, Stacer Alloy Craft will become the second Australian boat line to be purchased by OMC. OMC also recently purchased the Haines Hunter line of fiberglass boats.

"Hese acquisitions will support our strategy of strengthening our competitive position as a worldwide marketer of both boats and marine engines," said OMC President and Chief Executive Officer James C. Chapman.

"The purchase of the Stacer Alloy Craft and Haines Hunter lines will allow us to package both aluminum and fiberglass boats with our Johnson (R) and Evinrude (R) outboard motors for sale in the Australian market," Chapman said. "The acquisitions also will give us a manufacturing base that will allow us to efficiently expand sales of these boat-and-engine packages into other markets in the Pacific and Southeast Asia," he said.

According to OMC, the Stacer Alloy Craft operations will be organized as a separate division of OMC Australia. The Australian operations are part of OMC's international group headed by OMC Vice President and International Group President Dennis L. Jacobson.

Outboard Marine Corp. is a leading international marketer of marine engines, boats, accessories and services.

CONTACT: Ronald Kuykendall, manager of corporate communications of OMC, 708-689-5642

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#90253p2992 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH WILKESBORO, N.C. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Lowe's Companies, Inc. (NYSE: LOW) announced that its directors have authorized the expenditure of up to $65,000,000 for the purchase of Lowe's common stock in the open market over the next twelve months.

According to Robert L. Strickland, Chairman, the directors authorized the stock purchases because they believe Lowe's stock is undervalued in the market, and Lowe's desires to acquire common stock for its employee stock ownership and stock option plans, and general corporate purposes.

Mr. Strickland said that purchases of stock will be carried out primarily on the New York Stock Exchange, but that Lowe's also has the option of making privately negotiated purchases directly from shareholders. He said the stock purchase program would be under the direction of Harry Underwood, II, the company's Chief Financial Officer.

The Board also declared a quarterly cash dividend of 13 cents per share to be paid on October 31, 1990 to shareholders of record on October 17, 1990. This will be the 117th consecutive cash dividend.

CONTACT: For further information, including weekly sales data, contact: W. Cliff Oxford, 919-651-4631; Clarissa Felts, 919-651-4254, or Harry Underwood, 919-651-4441, all of Lowe's Companies, Inc.

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#90253p2994 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines today reported that its total scheduled revenue passenger miles (RPMs) increased 10.1 percent in August compared with August 1989.

The airline's total scheduled RPMs were 7,868,157,000 compared with 7,145,738,000 in August 1989.

The passenger load factor was 75.3 percent, a decrease of 2.0 points from 77.3 percent a year ago.

For August, domestic revenue passenger miles totaled 5,657,275,000, an increase of 2.9 percent from 5,499,323,000 accumulated in August a year ago. Pacific revenue passenger miles totaled 2,110,812,000, an increase of 28.2 percent from 1,646,415,000 a year ago. Atlantic revenue passenger miles were 100,070,000.

Total scheduled available seat miles (ASMs) were 0,452,861,000, up 13.1 percent from 9,238,899,000 a year ago. Domestic ASMs were 7,762,676,000, an increase of 7.8 percent from 7,204,064,000 a year ago. Pacific ASMs totaled 2,559,584,000, up 25.8 percent from 2,034,835,000 a year ago. Atlantic ASMs were 130,601,000.

The airline flew 5,854,000 passengers in scheduled service in August, an increase of 7.8 percent from 5,428,000 flown a year earlier.

Total cargo ton miles for August were 121,778,000, up 8.5 percent from 112,219,000 a year ago.

Total RPMs including charter flights for August were 7,910,965,000 up 10.7 percent from 7,147,896,000 a year ago.

January-August Traffic For the first eight months of 1990, total scheduled RPMs increased 8.3 percent to 51,037,300,000 from 47,147,214,000 in the same 1989 period.

Total scheduled ASMs increased 8.2 percent to 75,454,878,000 from 69,748,998,000 last year.

Passenger load factor during the eight-month period was 67.6 percent, identical with a year ago.

Total cargo ton miles were 898,987,000, an increase of 4.5 percent from 859,973,000 in the first eight months last year.

Total RPMs including charter for the first eight months were 51,099,486,000, an increase of 8.3 percent from 47,174,228,000 in the first eight months of 1989.

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#90253p2996 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Rykoff-Sexton Inc. (NYSE: RYK) has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.15 a share, payable Oct. 8, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 24, 1990.

Roger W. Coleman, president and chief executive officer, said the declaration represents the 78th consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid by the company.

Rykoff-Sexton Inc., consisting of S.E. Rykoff & Co. and John Sexton & Co., is a leading manufacturer and distributor of food and related products for restaurants, institutions and membership warehouse stores nationwide. Manufacturing, processing and packaging operations are based in Los Angeles; Indianapolis, Ind.; Englewood, N.J.; Brooklyn, N.Y.; and Des Moines, Iowa. The company's 31 distribution centers are located throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Roger W. Coleman, president of Rykoff-Sexton Inc., 213-622-4131; or Roger S. Pondel of Rikind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Rykoff-Sexton Inc.

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#90253p3001 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA BARBARA, CA (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Michael S. Feld, director of the George R. Harrison Spectroscopy Laboratory at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, last week revealed results of a two-year scientific study conducted at MIT and Cleveland Clinic Foundation and outlined a new laser system that has been optimized to remove plaque from clogged coronary arteries.

In a presentation to the Fourth International Workshop on Future Directions in Interventional Cardiology sponsored by the American College of Cardiology, Feld said the new LAS II system is based on results of the two-year study. He said the system's laser source is based on a novel concept and the system incorporates several new features thought crucial to reducing restenosis (reclosure) of treated coronary vessels.

Feld said the laser wavelength and laser delivery system has been optimized to insure maximum therapeutic benefit while minimizing trauma to surrounding healthy tissue. The laser pulse is stretched and sequenced

and delivered to the site of the blockage through a bundle of optical fibers tipped by an optical shield that creates uniform and complete light distribution on the laser catheter tip. This system is designed to overcome limitations demonstrated by other systems using multiple fiber delivery systems, Feld said.

The system incorporates diagnostic spectroscopy and is able to differentiate between four types of diseased and healthy tissue, Feld said allowing the laser to be fired only at the diseased area. The laser source is a solid-state tripled Nd:YAG laser operating in the ultraviolet spectrum at 355 nanometers. This combines the advantages of ultraviolet energy with the convenience and reliability of solid-state, rather than gas, technology, Feld said. In the past, the Nd:YAG laser has not been considered for plaque removal because, despite its excellent beam quality and ease of use in hospitals, its output pulses are too short to pass effectively through optical fibers. Pulse stretching and sequencing, a novel technique using optical delay lines, overcomes this problem, lengthening the pulse duration by a factor of 30, Feld said.

The system is being developed jointly by MIT, Cleveland Clinic Foundation and GV Medical, Inc. (NASDAQ:GVMI), Minneapolis. Clinical trials are scheduled to begin later this year at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation in Cleveland, Ohio, one of the nation's largest medical centers. An investigational device exemption (IDE), which would permit the beginning of clinical trials, has been submitted to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Dr. John R. Kramer, cardiologist at the Cleveland Clinic, made a joint presentation with Feld at the ACC Workshop.

Dr. Kramer reported on a Cleveland Clinic Foundation study which indicated that restenosis of coronary arteries continues to be at unacceptable levels for traditional angioplasty cases. Dr. Kramer reported that restenosis rates have not been improved by currently available laser systems, drugs or atherectomy devices. Improving the restenosis rate, he said, will be the key to success for interventional cardiology.

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#90253p3003 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthco International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLCO) announced today that it has filed an action in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware against Gemini Partners L.P., Emanuel Pearlman and other members of the Gemini group.

The action seeks to have written consents executed in favor of Gemini's nominees declared invalid and seeks an injunction against Gemini's consent solicitation. The complaint in the federal action alleges that Gemini violated federal securities laws by soliciting and obtaining written consents prior to dissemination of supplemental materials concerning Healthco's proposed merger with Hicks, Muse & Co. The complaint further alleges that Gemini is unlawfully asserting the validity of written consents obtained before stockholders knew of the proposed merger. The complaint also alleges that the defendants have made false and misleading statements in their solicitation, including unlawful statements concerning Healthco's value.

In making the announcement, the company also confirmed, based on its review of the consents delivered by Gemini last week, that Gemini has not in fact obtained consents representing a majority of Healthco's outstanding common stock. The company said that this information was being presented to the Delaware Chancery Court this morning in response to Gemini's attempt to have the election of its nominees declared valid by the court.

At the same time, Healthco confirmed that a lawsuit had been filed by Hicks Muse late on Friday afternoon in the Dallas County District Court claiming that the alleged new Healthco board of directors designated by Gemini and Pearlman had, by virtue of Gemini's announcement last week that it was actively soliciting buyers for Healthco, breached the "no shop" provision of Healthco's merger agreement with Hicks Muse.

Healthco said that the lawsuit claims damages for actual and anticipatory breach of contract and declaratory and injunctive relief. The company also said that the lawsuit claims exemplary damages in an amount equal to at least three times actual damages because of Gemini's willful breach of the implied duty of good faith and fair dealing.

CONTACT: Stanley J. Kay or Neil J. Call, 212-688-6840, both of Dewe Rogerson, for Healthco International

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#90253p3004 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - In a fierce battle for market share, rental car companies bombard consumers with messages of price/value, quality and convenience. What consumers haven't seen or heard, until now, is a message about safety.

Thrifty Car Rental focuses on that very subject - safety - in a :30 TV spot that's part of a new multi-million dollar advertising campaign starting this week. This new commercial features the driver-side air bags

that come as standard equipment on all Chrysler cars from Thrifty.

"Our emphasis is savings with an extra margin of safety," says Jim Philion president and CEO of Thrifty as he explains the company's commitment to safety. "Thrifty has always represented quality at a value price, but we want business and leisure travelers to know that we also stand for safety. We have made a long-term, on-going commitment to providing an important safety feature to our rental car customers - a commitment that is fueled by and reinforced by Chrysler's equally strong emphasis on safety."

Philion says that over 81 percent of Thrifty's new 1991 fleet will have air bags and about 50 percent of their current fleet already has air bags. The goal, he says, will be to have air bags in as many as 90 percent of Thrifty's cars by the end of 1991. Only a few select Chrysler models, such as minivans, specialty vehicles, and some cars made by other manufacturers, will not have air bags.

According to Steve Grosvald, senior vice president of marketing for Thrifty, there is no additional fee for an air bag equipped car.

"We know that the American public is concerned with their safety, especially when traveling, and we're pleased to join with Chrysler in providing this safety feature to our customers on an on-going basis," he adds. "When rates, service and quality are relatively equal from one rental car to another, then we believe consumers should and will opt for the added benefit of safety - and Thrifty is where they will find that."

Grosvald says that Thrifty's new air bag commercial is one of a series of three new commercials that introduce a new company themeline 'Because it's your money.'

In addition to the millions of dollars being spent nationally to promote Thrifty's commitment to safety and value, Thrifty licensees across the nation will be supporting and reinforcing 'Because it's your money' and the new air bag campaign with local radio and TV advertising.

Thrifty is the world's largest off-airport car rental company, the fifth largest of all daily car rental companies in North America in rental locations and the fastest growing car rental company in Europe and Canada. Thrifty has more than 750 locations in 49 states and 35 countries.

CONTACT: Meloyde Blancett-Scott of Thrifty Car Rental, 918-665-3930

-30- 3015

#90253p3005 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Capstead Mortgage Corp. (NYSE: CMO) announced that it will pay quarterly dividends

of 57 cents per common share and 40 cents per share on the $1.60 cumulative preferred stock, Series A on Sept. 28, 1990 to stockholders of record as of Sept. 20, 1990.

Capstead Mortgage Corp. invests in long-term, single-family residential mortgages for the purpose of offering investors the opportunity to participate in the income generated from the management of a portfolio of mortgage loans utilizing pooling and the issuance of collateralized mortgage obligations and other portfolio management strategies.

CONTACT: Ronn Lytle, 214-746-8231; or Andy Jacobs, 214-746-8240, both of Capstead Mortgage Corp.

-30- 937

#90253p3008 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURLINGTON, N.C. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: EDIT) announced today that Mr. William Eastham has resigned from the Company's Board of Directors.

Mr. Eastham, age 73, has been a Director of the Company since 1985 and was instrumental in defining its early directions. Mr. Eastham has been associated with a number of companies but has recently chosen to discontinue many of his business affiliations in order to devote his efforts and time to his family.

Dr. Sam Powell, the Chairman of EDI's Board, extended his best wishes and his deep thanks to Mr. Eastham for the many hours that he has devoted to EDI as it has made its transition from a research and development operation to a commercial corporation.

James D. Skinner, the EDI President and Chief Executive Officer, expressed his regrets at Mr. Eastham's resignation and complimented him on the many strategic and operational contributions he has made to the Company during the years he has been associated with EDI.

Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. develops and manufactures human clinical and agricultural diagnostics specifically designed for on-site testing by non-technical personnel. The Company's Conventional Biodiagnostic Products are used by government agencies, researchers, clinical testing laboratories and other companies for clinical and veterinary testing. The Company's EZ-SCREEN products provide the accuracy of laboratory results in minutes.

CONTACT: Terry Johnson, Vice President - Finance, Environmental Diagnostics, Inc., 919-226-6311

-30- 1758
#90253p3015 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
ALLISON PARK, PA. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Laurel Savings Association (NASDAQ: LARL) today reported year-end earnings for fiscal 1990.

For the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, net income was $547,000 or $1.09 per share. These results compare with net income of $936,000 or $1.92 per share for the same period a year ago. Net interest income, before provision for loan losses, decreased 4.3 percent to $4,221,000 vs. $4,411,000 in fiscal 1989.

Results for the current year reflect slightly lower net interest income due to the rise in interest rates on savings deposits, compared to fiscal 1989. In addition, the association recorded a significantly higher charge for possible loan losses as compared with the prior year. The increased provision for loan losses reflects management's ongoing policy to prudently accrue for the possibility of problem loans.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the association's net income was $105,000 or $0.20 per share compared with $175,000 or $0.36 per share for the same quarter last year. Net interest income, before provision for loan losses, was $1,122,000 vs. $1,128,000 in the same period a year ago.

Results for the current quarter were affected by a greater charge for possible loan losses and slightly higher operating expenses than in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. At June 30, 1990, Laurel Savings had total assets of $158,257,000 and stockholders' equity of $10,069,000 or $20.58 per share.

In discussing the results of the year, Edwin R. Maus, president and chief executive officer, stated, "Fiscal 1990 was a challenging year for Laurel Savings. Despite lower reported per share earnings, the association's core earnings remained strong and stockholders' equity rose 4.5 percent."

Laurel Savings Association is a 103-year-old, Pennsylvania-chartered, SAIF-insured savings association with six offices in Allegheny and Butler counties.

CONTACT: Edwin R. Maus, president of Laurel Savings Association, 412-487-7400

-30- 2195
#90253p3021 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Sept. 7, 1990.

All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields
(30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago
Conventional			
15-Year FRM	9.75	9.75	9.80
30-Year FRM	10.08	10.08	10.03
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	10.33	9.75	10.28
10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.			
Second Mortgages	9.900	9.890	9.880

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term) Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	9.05	9.05	9.50	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	9.30	9.30	9.75	2.000 pct.
1(A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	8.00	8.00	8.55	2.250 pct.
6 mos(A) (COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	8.10	8.10	8.70	2.125 pct.

(A) Rate reduction (B) New 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM.
Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs.

LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
Aug. 30, 1990	8.125	8.188	8.188	8.313
July 30, 1990	8.063	8.047	8.047	8.109

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 9/7/90	Year to Date	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(A)	247.7	15,486.8	14,291.2
Purchases	401.1	15,665.7	13,090.0
MBS Issued	1,534.0	64,987.5	38,721.8

(A) Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

CONTACT: Lisa Haas of the Federal National Mortgage Association, 202-752-7124

-30- 2269

#90253p3024 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of CalMat Co. (NYSE: CZM) elected Ronald C. Hadfield, 50, executive vice president, Finance and Administration, and chief financial officer, and Norman A. Dangelo, 50, vice president, Management Information Systems.

Hadfield, who has served as senior vice president, chief financial officer of CalMat since 1985, has overall responsibility for the accounting, treasury, management information systems, human resources, and corporate communications functions within the company.

During his 26-year financial career, Hadfield has served in increasingly responsible positions, and prior to joining CalMat, served as vice president, Finance and Administration/chief financial officer of Hydrill Company. He holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from Utah State University.

Reporting to Hadfield in the newly created position of vice president, Management Information Systems, is Dangelo. Prior to joining CalMat, Dangelo was vice president, Information Systems, for AST Research Inc. in Irvine, Calif., and served 10 years at ITT Corp., where he was group director, information services. He holds bachelor's degrees in industrial engineering and business administration from Ohio University, and a master of business administration degree from San Jose State University.

CONTACT: Judy R. Cunningham of CalMat, 213-258-2777

-30- 1592

#90253p3027 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (NYSE: BMY) today declared a quarterly dividend of fifty-three cents ($.53) per share on the $.10 par value common stock of the corporation. The dividend will be payable Nov. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 5, 1990.

The directors also declared a dividend of fifty cents ($.50) per share on the $2.00 convertible preferred stock of the corporation, payable Dec. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 2, 1990.

CONTACT: David Rosenstein of Bristol-Myers Squibb, 212-546-5764

-30- 813

#90253p3031 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTVALE, N.J. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc. (NYSE: GAP), yesterday unveiled its new "Look At Us Now!" advertising campaign, with the first television commercials featuring the upbeat message airing on television stations in the Metropolitan New York area markets.

The new campaign marks the initial collaboration between A&P and its new advertising agency, Bozell, Inc. of New York, and was developed as an

extension of the chain's previous theme, "We Built A Proud New Feeling," according to Michael J. Rourke, vice president-communications and corporate affairs.

"Although both the previous theme and the new campaign use similar styles to project a very upbeat, energetic feeling about the atmosphere in our stores, the 'Proud New Feeling' series focused primarily on the pleasant, helpful attitudes of our employees," said Rourke. "The new 'Look At Us Now' theme emphasizes positive customer reactions, to demonstrate that our stores provide a satisfying and enjoyable shopping experience in a variety of ways," he added.

R. Donald O'Leary, A&P's vice president of marketing, responsible for the development of the new campaign, said, "We are focusing on customers of various types and ages in different areas of the stores to convey the many pluses of shopping with us. The commercials make it clear that today's new A&Ps are modern, attractive stores offering top quality perishables, excellent product selection, great specials and friendly service. And we follow those images with exciting promotions and special events."

He said the introductory television commercials include one 60-second spot two 30-second versions, and a third 30-second spot that accommodates specific item/price offers and other special promotions, inserted throughout the commercial for maximum impact. "We did it in this way as opposed to tagging all the specials at the end of the spot, to allow customers to focus more closely on each item, while still getting our overall image message across," O'Leary said.

The television commercials are being supported by radio spots which also began airing on Sept. 9 on key stations in the metropolitan area.

CONTACT: Michael J. Rourke of A&P, 201-930-4236

-30- 2454

#90253p3040 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - J. Larry Rutherford, today was named executive vice president of operations of General Development Corporation (NYSE: GDV). Rutherford, 44, comes to GDC from Gulfstream Land & Development Corp. where he was president and chief executive.

A native of Virginia, Rutherford held various executive positions at Gulfstream since 1982 and from 1986 until May of 1989 was president and chief operating officer.

Rutherford holds a bachelor's degree from Virginia Military Institute and received his MBA degree from the Univeristy of Virginia.

From 1977 to 1982 Rutherford managed Wintergreen Development, Inc., a company affiliated with Bankers Trust Company of New York. The company was involved in managing real estate assets controlled by Bankers Trust.

Thomas J. Hutchison, president and CEO of General Development, said Rutherford will play a key role in the effort to reorganize GDC. "We are delighted to have a person with his broad experience in Florida real estate development join our management team. His leadership and expertise will play an invaluable role in my effort to revitalize General Devolopment and create a successful company in the future," Hutchison said.

CONTACT: Nelly Medel of General Development Corporation, 305-859-4256

-30- 1483

#90253p3043 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Canadian Auto Workers (CAW) negotiators are continuing talks with Ford of Canada in an effort to achieve a new collective agreement before the strike deadline this Friday at midnight.

Negotiations were held throughout the weekend at the main economic committee level as well as at the local tables. Harold Poling, Ford worldwide chairman of the board and chief executive officer, arrived over the weekend to meet with CAW leadership for top-level discussions.

"While we have had a number of serious economic discussions, we still don't have a clear indication of when we will get an economic proposal from the company," says CAW President Bob White. "There is still a massive amount of work, and although we are working very hard, it will be difficult to arrive at an agreement before the strike deadline."

The CAW represents 12,800 workers at five Ford plants and two offices in Canada. Talks opened with all the Big Three auto makers in July. Last Wednesday the CAW chose Ford as the target to set a pattern for the auto industry over the next three years.

CONTACT: Peggy Nash of Canadian Auto Workers, 416-975-9163

-30- 1356

#90253p3049 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Comair Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: COMR), the parent corporation of Comair, Inc., the Cincinnati and Orlando based "Delta Connection" carrier, reported record passenger boardings for August 1990, breaking the previous record which was set in March 1990. Passenger boardings were up 21.7 percent to 171,384. RPMs increased 35.2 percent while ASMs increased 45.6 percent.

AUGUST

	1990	1989	PERCENT CHANGE
ASMs (000)	80,029	54,978	45.6
RPMs (000)	35,828	26,496	35.2
LOAD FACTOR	44.8 pct.	48.2 pct.	(7.1)
PASSENGERS	171,385	140,862	21.7

FISCAL YTD

	1991	1990	PERCENT CHANGE
ASMs (000)	383,137	257,127	49.0
RPMs (000)	165,902	125,204	32.5
LOAD FACTOR	43.3 pct.	48.7 pct.	(11.1)
PASSENGERS	803,434	664,168	21.0

CALENDAR YTD

	1990	1989	PERCENT CHANGE
ASMs (000)	583,104	397,365	46.7
RPMs (000)	250,552	184,707	35.6
LOAD FACTOR	43.0 pct.	46.5 pct.	(7.6)
PASSENGERS	1,233,090	988,033	24.8

CONTACT: Gloria M. Weber of Comair, 606-525-2550

-30- 1683

#90253p3050 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - United Press International today confirmed that UPI and its partners, States New Service and Financial World magazine, have agreed to distribute The Latest News hourly newspaper aboard The Trump Shuttle on Trump's Washington, New York and Boston routes according to UPI Chairman Earl W. Brian.

The three news organizations inaugurated The Latest News aboard The Pan Am Shuttle April 2, and the newspaper has been published each weekday since, with editions revised for each of four consecutive afternoon shuttle flights from Washington's National Airport to LaGuardia Airport at New York City.

With the shift to The Trump Shuttle, the group will immediately serve Washington-New York passengers and later this month will begin new distribution on Trump's LaGuardia-to-Washington return leg and aboard New York-Boston roundtrip flights, Brian said.

"The Latest News has proven very popular among frequent fliers in search of an authoritative news update," said Brian. "Our publishing group plans to expand availability of The Latest News for other routes, with Trump Airlines and other sponsors, beginning as early as October."

Washington-based States News Service, founded in 1973, edits and produces The Latest News, using chiefly UPI news reports. Financial World magazine

representatives have sole responsibility for advertising sales for the 26-page newspaper. The Latest News is also distributed weekdays in Duke Zeibert's and The Palm restaurants here.

For weekday flights between 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., the newspaper is updated and produced hourly by States News' editorial staff using desktop-publishing facilities. The Latest News is transmitted electronically to printing sites, then photocopied and bound at high speed for distribution by host airline staff.

UPI, founded in 1907, is owned by Infotechnology Inc. (NASDAQ: ITCH), the New York City-based information and communications company that also owns 47 percent of Financial News Network Inc. (NASDAQ: FNNI).

CONTACT: Milt Capps of United Press International, 202-898-8254 or, after hours, 301-772-4086

-30- 2323

#90253p3053 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILKES-BARRE, PA (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - North East Water and Pennsylvania Gas & Water Company (PG&W) have received approval from the Luzerne County Industrial Development Authority for the future issuance of up to $85 million in tax exempt bonds. The financing will be used to fund construction of three new water filtration plants designed to serve PG&W's Spring Brook service area. The financing application, which covers expenditures related to Crystal Lake, Ceasetown and Watres filtration plants, will be forwarded to the state for approval.

Robert A. Gerber, chairman of United Water Resources, stated it would be North East's intent to maximize the use of lower cost tax- exempt financing whenever practical to reduce the cost to customers. Gerber said the parties are anxious to push ahead with other commitments required under the ambitious construction schedule targeted at providing complete water filtration to all customers.

North East Water is the company formed by United Water Resources (NYSE: UWR) to acquire the water business and related assets from PG&W and its parent company, Pennsylvania Enterprises Inc. (PEI).

CONTACT: Martha Green of United Water Resources, 201-784-9434, or evenings and weekends, 201-487-0011, or Tom Ward of Pennsylvania Gas & Water, 717-829-8812

-30- 1491

#90253p3054 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MI (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Gantos, Inc. (NASDAQ: GTOS)

today announced that it had notified City Center Limited partnership, the landlord of the City Center project in Grand Rapids, that Gantos is exercising its option to terminate its lease unless Lazarus or another department store resumes non-discount operations within 90 days. If the termination of the lease becomes effective, Gantos will close its City Center operation.

The action by Gantos was prompted by the permanent closing of the Lazarus City Center store on Sept. 7. If a replacement tenant is not obtained within 90 days, Gantos will officially terminate its lease effective Jan. 6, 1991.

Gantos is considering an immediate reduction in the hours its City Center store is open. The anticipated decline in consumer traffic the closing of Lazarus will likely cause, makes economic operation of the City Center location more difficult. Even with Lazarus in operation, the location has not lived up to initial expectations either in terms of sales volume or profitability.

Commenting on the decision to give notice of termination of the lease, Gantos President L. Douglas Gantos said, "We have taken this action reluctantly. The reality, however, is that a project like City Center must have a major tenant like Lazarus to be successful. Despite our desire to see downtown Grand Rapids revitalized, we are obligated to act in the best interests of this company."

Gantos is a leading retailer of quality women's apparel. The company currently operates 158 stores in 23 states.

CONTACT: Michael G. Arneth of Gantos, Inc., 616-949-7000

-30- 1809

#90253p3059 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 10,) PR NEWSWIRE - Charles Schwab and Co. Inc. (NYSE: SCH), has released The Equalizer 2.3, an upgraded version of the popular personal investment package created for IBM PC-compatible users. The new version includes faster transmission speed, a new installation program and system diagnostics in addition to the primary features: online trading, quotes, research, portfolio management and account information. Using The Equalizer's trading capability, customers can have direct access to Schwab's computers to quickly buy and sell stocks, bonds, options and mutual funds. This completely eliminates the need for contact with a broker. Trades executed through The Equalizer receive a 10 percent discount off Schwab's already low discount commissions.

The upgraded program reduces transmission request time by as much as 25 percent allowing transactions to occur more rapidly. A new menu- driven

installation program permits users to quickly get to work with The Equalizer 2.3 by reducing time required for system setup. The new installation program saves time and aids investors who have little computer background by determining information about the user's system and modem configuration. In addition, the new version also includes system diagnostics which will quickly identify and solve modem communication and system configuration problems. Users of earlier versions of The Equalizer 2.0 or higher can update their versions automatically without affecting current data files. The Equalizer 2.3 is one of Schwab's leading electronic delivery services that allows individual investors to access up-to-the- minute information to help make investment decisions, then quickly trade online with privacy, control and convenience.

People who are interested in purchasing or upgrading to The Equalizer 2.3 may call Charles Schwab between 6 a.m.-8 p.m. PST at 1-800-648-4248.

CONTACT: Christine Cockill of Charles Schwab, 415-403-5575; or Steven Soso of Charles Schwab, 415-403-5500; or Matthew Salazar of Wilson & Wilson Advertising and Public Relations, 408-371-8331, for Charles Schwab

-30- 2309

#90253p3060 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

RHINEBECK, NY (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - John C. VanWormer, president of Community Bancorp, Inc., and Charles Hahm, president of Beacon Federal Savings Bank, announced today that the companies have entered into a definitive agreement providing for the acquisition of all six upstate branch offices of Beacon Federal.

Pursuant to the terms of the agreement, First National Bank of Rhinebeck, a subsidiary of Community Bancorp, Inc., will purchase the deposits of six offices as follows:

235 Fair Street, Kingston, N.Y.
632 Broadway, Kingston, N.Y.
576 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park, N.Y.
340 Main Street, Beacon, N.Y.
291 Main Mall, Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
171 North Plank Road, Newburgh, N.Y.

The transaction is subject to several conditions and must be approved by regulatory authorities.

Deposits in the six offices being acquired amount to approximately $100 million. Employees of the six offices will become employees of First National Bank of Rhinebeck as a result of the acquisition.

The acquisition, VanWormer said, "is consistent with the planned growth of Community Bancorp." The six locations will allow Community Bancorp to expand its operations in areas immediately contiguous to its current operations.

Hahm stated that "the sale of the branches to an independent, locally owned commercial bank in the mid-Hudson region would preserve and enhance current customer relationships and provide for expanded career opportunities for the employees of these branches."

Community Bancorp's primary subsidiary is First National Bank of Rhinebeck a commercial bank founded in 1853. Total assets of Community prior to the acquisition are in excess of $200 million. First National Bank of Rhinebeck currently conducts its business through offices in Rhinebeck, Red Hook, Highland and Saugerties.

CONTACT: John C. VanWormer, president of Community Bancorp, 914-876-7041

-30- 2102

#90253p3068 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Synercom Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: SYNR) today announced its intention to purchase up to 500,000 shares of its common stock. The company presently has outstanding 6,136,874 shares of common stock. The repurchases may be effected, from time-to-time, in accordance with applicable securities laws, through solicited or unsolicited transactions in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. No limit was placed on the duration of the repurchase program and, subject to applicable securities laws, such repurchases as may be made thereunder shall be at such times and in such amounts as the company's management deems appropriate.

Synercom provides integrated spatial information management solutions for major commercial and governmental organizations worldwide. The company's software products, support services and systems integration services increase the efficiency and accuracy with which customers record, track, analyze and manage geographically dispersed assets. Synercom offices and distributors of Synercom products are located worldwide, and the company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol SYNR.

CONTACT: Mark K. Vise of Synercom Technology Inc., 713-954-7000

-30- 1428

#90253p3076 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, CA (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Consistent with the innovative and ground-breaking nature of its first-run syndicated series, "The

Challengers," Buena Vista Television has entered into a unique arrangement involving promotions with Citibank MasterCard & Visa and for the distribution of all contestant winnings earned on the strategy-filled new topical game show.

According to the arrangement, Citibank MasterCard & Visa will underwrite a portion of the prize pool for "Challengers" and will be responsible for the distribution of all contestant winnings, which will be offered in the form of a credit balance on a Citibank Mastercard or Visa or in cash. Citibank will also develop and implement national promotions revolving around the series. As part of the agreement, Citibank will receive in-program credit in each episode of "The Challengers."

"We are very pleased to be associated with 'The Challengers,'" said Richard Srednicki, general manager, Citibank MasterCard and Visa. "In addition to providing daily exposure on over 120 television stations, we will benefit from positive association with Dick Clark and The Walt Disney Company. It will give Citibank the opportunity to offer new promotions to our customers, and offers potential for local tie-ins with other Citibank MasterCard and Visa activities."

Commenting on the announcement, Buena Vista Television President Bob Jacquemin said, "We are extremely pleased to have established such a creative promotion, and natural sponsorship environment for Citibank. The relationship we have established with Citibank is compatible with our program format and should be extremely beneficial to all parties, particularly our contestants."

Unlike most game shows, all contestants on "The Challengers" keep their winnings. Those contestants who choose to receive their winnings in the form of Citibank MasterCard or Visa credit balance receive all the related benefits and services that apply to Citibank cards, including Buyer's Security, Extended Warranty, Citibank's Lost Wallet Service, and 24-hour Customer Service.

"The Challengers" is produced by dick clark productions in association with Ron Greenberg Productions and distributed by Buena Vista Television, a subsidiary of The Walt Disney Company. Hosted by five-time Emmy Award-winner Dick Clark, it is the first game show in history to feature 52 weeks of original programming and questions culled from weekly news events. The series is premiering in over 80 percent of the country and is designed for news adjacency time periods, fringe or access.

Citibank Mastercard and Visa is the nation's largest issuer of bank cards. More than 27 million cards are in distribution to nearly 17 million American households.

"The Challengers" is distributed by Buena Vista Television, a subsidiary

of The Walt Disney Company.

CONTACT: Julia Van Hees of Buena Vista Television, 818-560-7090

-30- 3147

#90253p3077 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOKFIELD, WIS. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - American Medical Buildings, Inc. (AMEX: A) announced today that Jack A. Amormino has been named as the company's president and chief executive officer. Amormino succeeds Michael A. Carlson who resigned as the company's president and chief executive officer effective Sept. 7, 1990. Carlson will continue to serve as a member of the company's board of directors and, at the company's request, has agreed to be available as a consultant regarding certain projects currently under construction or in development.

Since Jan. 1, 1989, Amormino has served as the company's executive vice president and chief operating officer.

On Aug. 15, 1990, the company filed for relief pursuant to Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code.

The company, which maintains its headquarters in Brookfield, Wis., is a healthcare facilities consulting firm which provides planning, architectural, engineering and construction services to hospitals and physician group practices throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Jack A. Amormino of American Medical Buildings, 414-792-2700

-30- 1294

#90253p3079 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - National Steel Corp. announced today that it will revise prices on tin mill products, effective with shipments on Oct. 1, 1990.

The revision reflects an increase in base prices, basis weights and tin coating extras, and results in an overall increase of 5.5 percent.

CONTACT: Robert R. Toothman of National Steel, 412-394-4358

-30- 519

#90253p3082 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANDOVER, MD. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Hechinger Company (NYSE: HECHA, HECHB) today announced plans to expand and convert four units in North Carolina to its Home Quarters (HQ) Warehouse division.

The stores, located in Winston-Salem, Greensboro, Fayetteville and Raleigh are currently operated as Hechinger stores. Remodeling to accommodate the HQ warehouse merchandise presentation will begin immediately in two locations and will be completed at all locations by summer 1991. It is expected that most Hechinger employees will join HQ.

In making the announcement, John W. Hechinger Jr., president, stated: "We believe that operating under the HQ banner in these markets will significantly increase sales and profits. HQ already operates a store in Winston-Salem and also operates stores in the Raleigh-Durham market. We believe the conversion of these stores to the HQ format will increase consumer awareness, create operating efficiencies and enhance our ability to serve our customers."

Other HQ expansion news includes Boston where HQ recently experienced the most successful grand openings in its history with the opening of the first two of approximately 12 stores planned for the market. Other expansion plans include Birmingham and Montgomery, Ala.; Memphis, Tenn.; Louisville, Ken.; and Cincinnati.

Hechinger also announced plans to close its store in Newport News, Va., in December. The company already adequately serves the market with HQ stores in nearby Hampton and a recently opened unit in Denbigh.

Hechinger Company operates 87 Hechinger stores, 20 Home Quarters Warehouse Stores and six Triangle Building Centers in 14 states and the District of Columbia.

CONTACT: W. Clark McClelland, senior vice president, finance, Hechinger Company, 301-925-3105

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BURLINGTON, N.J. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse Corporation (NYSE: BCF), today announced results for the fiscal year and fourth quarter of 1990, ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the latest year totaled $803.2 million, compared with $676.3 million for the 12 months ended June 30, 1989. Net income for fiscal 1990 reached $24.0 million or $1.35 per share, versus $23.6 million or $1.33 per share in the previous year. For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, revenues were $146.7 million, compared with $106.5 million in the preceding fourth quarter. Net loss for the fourth quarter of 1990 was ($4.9 million) or ($.27) per share, compared with a net loss of ($3.1 million) or ($.19) per share in the fourth quarter of 1989.

Per share results have been adjusted to reflect a three-for-two stock

split in March 1990.

BURLINGTON COAT FACTORY WAREHOUSE CORPORATION
(In thousands, except per share figures)

Fiscal year ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$803,236	$676,323
Net income	24,035	23,643
Net income per share	1.35	1.33
Three months ended June 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$146,717	$106,489
Net income (loss)	(4,875)	(3,107)
Net income (loss) per share	(0.27)	(0.19)

CONTACT: Monroe G. Milstein, chairman, president and CEO, of Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse, 212-221-0010

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#90253p3089 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX) today officially entered the competition for a contract, valued at several hundred million dollars, to produce superconducting dipole magnets for the planned Superconducting Super Collider (SSC) in Waxahachie, Texas.

The SSC, a U.S. Department of Energy project administered by the Superconducting Super Collider Laboratories (SSCL), will be the world's largest and most powerful particle accelerator.

It is scheduled to begin operation in 1998 at an estimated cost of $8 billion.

"Westinghouse has really been preparing for the SSC magnet contract for nearly four decades," Bruce Boswell, general manager of the corporation's collider dipole magnet division said. "We've been a leader in superconductivity since 1952 and have built more types of superconducting magnets than any other U.S. corporation. Westinghouse also developed, in 1962, the niobium and titanium alloy wire required for the SSC magnet coils."

The corporation today submitted a detailed response to a SSCL request for competitor proposals for the magnet contract. The SSCL will select an industrial team composed of "leader" and "follower" corporations this fall. The goal is to develop two manufacturers with full magnet manufacturing capability. SSCL will then conduct a competition between the two selected suppliers to manufacture and test 8,150 16.5-ton magnets at a rate of ten per day.

The Westinghouse proposal pledges leader-follower teamwork based on

"personnel and data sharing, total cooperation and trust."

"The traditional leader-follower approach is unnecessarily adversarial and leaves room for the leader to fail to transfer vital and timely information to the follower," Boswell said.

"Westinghouse's commitment to total leader-follower cooperation will leverage the best expertise and technology of both organizations to ensure that SSCL receives flawless magnets on time and within budget."

CONTACT: Kit Newton of Westinghouse Electric, 412-642-3348

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#90253p3111 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

FT. WORTH, TX (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Primerica Corporation (NYSE: PA) and its subsidiary, Transport Life Insurance Company, today announced that they have commenced discussions with KWA Financial Corp. concerning KWA Financial's assuming the underwriting of the association group major hospital insurance currently underwritten by Transport Life.

Transport's intention is to discontinue new sales of association group major hospital insurance, which accounts for approximately 35 percent of the company's revenues, but makes only a small contribution to its profits. It is anticipated that KWA Financial Corp. will assume ownership of the independent Keith Wood Agency, which markets this product line to individuals and small businesses, and will consolidate within its own operation both a sales and underwriting capability by purchasing from Primerica its World Service Life Insurance Company of Colorado charter.

Any transaction which may result from these discussions would be subject to the completion and execution of a definitive agreement as well as necessary regulatory approvals. At this time, Primerica does not expect to realize a material gain or loss on the sale of World Service Life of Colorado's charter to KWA Financial Corp, nor will any resulting transaction have a material effect on the company's ongoing profitability.

J. Truett Richardson has resigned as Transport Life's President to join KWA Financial Corp. and John T. Sharpe, Transport Life's Chairman, will also assume the duties of Chief Executive Officer.

The transaction under discussion would not affect insurance currently in force at Transport or the company's other business lines, which include group employee benefits marketed by an in-house salesforce, specific-disease insurance, and long-term care and credit coverages.

In commenting on the discussions, Wood of KWA Financial Corp. noted that, "A marketing organization the size of the Keith Wood Agency benefits

greatly by having the life company and the agency under common control. We are pleased that Primerica is working with us to accomplish this goal, which is a natural step in our organization's development."

Primerica Corporation is a diversified financial services company principally engaged in life, credit, accident & health and property & casualty insurance, investment banking and securities brokerage, mortgage banking, mutual funds, asset management, consumer lending, credit cards and direct mail marketing. The company had assets of approximately $21 billion as of June 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Mary McDermott of Primerica, 212-891-8870

-30- 2819

#90253p3118 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, GA. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Synovus Financial Corp. (NYSE: SNV) today announced the declaration of a quarterly dividend of $.095 per share, to be paid to shareholders of record as of Sept. 24, payable on Oct. 1.

Synovus Financial Corp. is multi-financial services company composed of 20 banks, Total System Services Inc., a bankcard data processing company, and Synovus Securities Inc., a full services brokerage firm.

Synovus Financial Corp. common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "SNV". Synovus owns approximately 82 percent of Total System Services Inc., whose shares of common stock are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "TSS".

CONTACT: Stephen L. Burts Jr., executive vice president and treasurer of Synovus Financial, 404-649-2197

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#90253p3121 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

TEL AVIV, ISRAEL (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Istec-Industries and Technologies Ltd. (NASDAQ: ISTUF, ISTEF, ISTWF), today reported results of operations for the second quarter and first six months of 1990, ended June 30, 1990.

Total sales for the six months ended June 30, 1990, increased by some 49 percent, reaching approximately NIS 2,160,000 (about $1,039,000) compared with total sales of approximately NIS 1,447,000 (about $696,000) for the first half of 1989. Net loss for the first six months of 1990 amounted to approximately NIS 939,000 (about $452,000), compared with a net loss of approximately NIS 1,822,000 ($877,000) which was offset by a one-time income of some NIS 2,395,000 ($1,152,000) from a share offering of Istec's

subsidiary, Healthcare Technologies Ltd.

Total sales for the second quarter of 1990 rose by about 48 percent and to reach some NIS 1,051,000 ($506,000) compared with NIS 708,000 ($341,000) for the same period last year. Net loss for the second quarter of 1990 decreased somewhat and amounted to approximately NIS 570,000 (about $274,000), compared with a net loss of NIS 637,000 ($306,000) in the corresponding period in 1989.

Istec's deficit in working capital of NIS 9,299,000 ($4,475,000) reveals the company's current liquidity problem which resulted primarily from its acquisition of Aryt Optronics Industries Ltd. at the end of 1989.

As previously announced, Istec is negotiating to sell its shares in Aryt to Geotek Industries Inc. for approximately $5.6 million. If completed, this disposition will enable the company to decrease the deficit in working capital by some $4.2 million.

Istec's shareholders' equity continued to decrease and was approximately NIS 1,579,000 (about $760,000) at June 30, 1990, compared with approximately NIS 2,731,000 (about $1,314,000) at Dec. 31, 1989.

The financial results for Healthcare Technologies Ltd., a major Istec subsidiary, continued to improve during the second quarter of 1990. Healthcare reported net income for the second quarter of 1990 of approximately NIS 49,000 (about $23,000), compared with a net loss of NIS 286,000 ($138,000) in the corresponding period last year.

A decision was reached by the company's board of directors to concentrate its activities in healthcare and to divest itself of investments in unrelated fields at the appropriate time.

Istec and its subsidiaries maintain their accounts and present their financial statements in New Israeli Shekels (NIS) adjusted to reflect changes in the Israeli Consumer Price Index, and all the figures stated herein are adjusted NIS. All dollar figures are convenience translations using the exchange rate as of June 30, 1990 of NIS 2.078 to U.S.$1.00.

ISTEC INDUSTRIES AND TECHNOLOGIES LTD.
(Consolidated Income Statement Data -- Unaudited)

	Adjusted New Israeli Shekels (NIS)		Convenience Translation Into U.S. Dollars (U.S$)	
Six Months Ended June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales & revenues	2,160,257	1,447,521	1,039,585	696,593
Net income (loss)(A)	(939,253)	572,934	(451,999)	275,714
Earns. (loss) per share	$(0.19)	0.12	(0.09)	0.06
Weighted avg. no. of shrs.				

outstanding	4,880,000	4,880,000	4,880,000	4,880,000

	Adjusted New Israeli Shekels (NIS)		Convenience Translation Into U.S. Dollars (U.S.$)	
Three Months Ended June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales & revenues	1,051,014	708,225	505,781	340,821
Net loss (A)	(569,887)	(636,633)	(274,248)	(306,368)
Loss per share	$(0.12)	(0.13)	(0.06)	(0.06)
Weighted avg. no. of shrs. outstanding	4,880,000	4,880,000	4,880,000	4,880,000

BALANCE SHEET DATA

	Adjusted New Israeli Shekels (unaudited)	(audited)	Convenience Translation Into U.S. Dollars (unaudited)	(audited)
	NIS		U.S.$	
	6/30/90	12/31/89	6/30/90	12/31/89
Working capital (deficit)	(9,299,189)	(2,642,588)	(4,475,067)	(1,271,698)
Shareholders' equity	1,579,706	2,730,953	760,205	1,314,221

(A) -- At June 30 and March 31, 1989 -- including adjusted NIS 2,395,044 (U.S. $1,152,372) income from issuance of shares to the public by a subsidiary.

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe, 212-545-8400, of Wolfe Lombard, Inc., for Istec-Industries & Technologies

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#90253p3124 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODCLIFF LAKE, N.J. (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Ingersoll-Rand Company (NYSE: IR), today announced that it has agreed in principle to acquire assets relating to the paving and road-widening machinery businesses of Barber-Greene Company, a subsidiary of Astec Industries, Inc.

The proposed purchase is subject to negotiation of a definitive agreement and to required government approvals. The companies expect to complete the transaction by year-end. The purchase will include Barber- Greene's manufacturing facilities at DeKalb, Ill., but will not include assets related to pavement milling machines, material transfer equipment, asphalt mixing plants and aggregate crushing equipment.

The acquisition will significantly expand Ingersoll-Rand's current asphalt paving equipment product line, which is manufactured by the company's road machinery division.

"This acquisition strengthens Ingersoll-Rand's ability to serve road-construction contractors with quality equipment and solidifies the

company's position in the important road building and rebuilding market," said William G. Mulligan, executive vice president.

Ingersoll-Rand Company is a leading worldwide manufacturer of industrial machinery, construction equipment, mining machinery, pumps, tools, bearings, door hardware and security systems. Through joint ventures and its own operations, Ingersoll-Rand is a leading supplier of hydrocarbon production and processing equipment and services.

Astec Industries, Inc., based in Chattanooga, Tenn., is a manufacturer of asphalt mixing plants, paving equipment, heat transfer equipment, aggregate crushing equipment and excavating and trenching equipment.

CONTACT: Paul A. Dickard, 201-573-3120, or Richard D. Johnson, 201-573-3087, both of Ingersoll-Rand

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#90253p3126 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - GCI Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: GCID) announced today the completion of the merger of PG Acquisition Inc., a 100 percent subsidiary of TL Enterprises Inc. (TL), with and into GCI. As a result of the merger, GCI and Golf Card International Corp. ("Golf Card"), its wholly owned subsidiary, became 100 percent subsidiaries of TL and shareholders in GCI will receive $2.65 for each share of GCI Common Stock held. Key Bank of Utah has been appointed the paying agent and will be contacting GCI shareholders as soon as possible with instructions for tendering their stock and receiving payment.

TL Enterprises Inc. is engaged in the sale of recreational vehicle club memberships and related travel services, and the publication of recreational vehicle travel magazines.

GCI's Golf Card subsidiary provides to its membership, for an annual fee, the opportunity to play two 18-hole rounds of golf, without payment of greens fees, at each of over 1,660 golf courses in the United States and abroad and to stay at over 360 country club golf resorts throughout the United States at special rates discounted from the resort's regular golf packages.

CONTACT: Brad E. Libin, 800-453-4260, or Michael J. Berthelot, 216-566-9000 or 800-453-4260, both of GCI Industries Inc.

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#90253p3128 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOWNERS GROVE, IL (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - James C. Smith, president and chief executive officer of HealthCare COMPARE Corp. (NASDAQ: HCCC),

announced today that the company and its wholly owned subsidiary, AFFORDABLE Health Care Concepts, have entered into agreements to provide utilization review and PPO services with, among others: McDonald's Corp.; Pioneer Financial Services; Safeco Insurance; The Wisconsin UFCW: Universal Health Services; Casualty Insurance Co., and Walgreen Co.

In addition, Smith stated that the company has recently entered into an agreement with Rollins Burdick Hunter of Illinois Inc. (RBHI) to provide workers' compensation managed care services to clients of RBHI in Illinois. RBHI is a subsidiary of Rollins Burdick Hunter (RBH), which is one of the nation's largest insurance brokers.

Rollins Burdick Hunter is a subsidiary of Aon Corp. (NYSE: AOC). Aon Corp. is a leading diversified insurance holding company offering through its subsidiaries a specialized group of products and services to both the commercial and individual insurance markets. Aon Corp. is listed on the New York, London and Midwest stock exchanges and has assets in excess of $9 billion.

Smith noted that he was very excited about the opportunity to work with RBHI, since this agreement will further accelerate the distribution of COMPARE's services and presence within the workers' compensation managed care area and allows COMPARE to work with RBHI, which is a leader in the insurance brokerage industry.

Smith also stated that based upon the new agreements that have recently been signed, and commitments the company has received, he is quite encouraged about the prospects for 1991.

HealthCare COMPARE Corp. is one of the nation's leading independent managed care/cost management companies. The company provides data analysis, extensive utilization management and provider negotiation services (PPO development and management). Its services are provided to indemnity health care payors as well as alternative delivery systems. The company manages costs and utilization without compromising the quality of care available to health care plan participants.

CONTACT: James C. Smith, president and CEO, or Joseph E. Whitters, CFO, 708-719-9000, both of HealthCare COMPARE

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#90253p3131 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST LOUIS (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas Training Systems (MDTS) is reorganizing its management structure and consolidating its business operations into two geographic centers to better focus resources and talents within the organization.

This reorganization will create two operating divisions within MDTS: a Training Systems and Services Division in Aurora, Colo., and a Simulation Division in St. Louis.

The MDTS Training Systems and Services Division will center its efforts on producing high-quality computer-based training systems for aircraft pilots and mechanics. These systems include training management, curriculum development, classroom operation, and product and operations support. The division will continue to research and develop training technologies.

The MDTS Simulation Division will market and build training simulators and conduct research and development in flight simulation and related technologies.

"Consolidating our work into two facilities and restructuring our management system will position MDTS to compete, win and manage our business more effectively," said Dennis Behm, vice president and general manager of MDTS. "It clearly focuses all our resources and talents to the benefit of our customers and our operation."

Under the new management structure, program managers for each MDTS total training program will report to Behm. Directors for each of the two operating divisions will oversee operations at the respective geographic locations and also report to Behm.

The consolidation of MDTS will result in a shutdown of operations at the company's Bedford, Texas, facility, which employs 85 people. Transition of Bedford programs and personnel to Aurora and St. Louis will begin in January 1991 and be completed by mid-year.

The St. Louis-based Simulation Division currently supplies simulators for major aircraft programs inside and outside of McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) including the U.S. Marine Corps' AV-8B Harrier II and the U.S. Navy's A-12 Avenger II, F-14 Tomcat and A-6 Intruder programs.

MDTS was formed in January 1990 with the merger of three independent McDonnell Douglas training units at facilities in Aurora, Bedford and St. Louis. MDTS employs more than 1,400 people and is part of the McDonnell Aircraft division of McDonnell Douglas.

CONTACT: Kim Kitson of McDonnell Aircraft Co., 314-234-1660

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#90253p3134 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Effective on Dec. 2, 1990, American Airlines will begin daily flights to Nassau from New York and Raleigh/Durham. The announcement was made today by the Director General

of Tourism, Baltron B. Bethel, in a television interview at the headquarters of the American Society of Travel Agents in Alexandria, Va.

From New York and Raleigh/Durham, two of America's largest hubs, it will be possible to make convenient connections to scores of other American cities in northern, mid-Atlantic, mid-western and southern U.S. gateways.

Bethel pointed out that the Honorable Sir Clement Maynard, Deputy Prime Minister of Tourism, was particularly appreciative of the support of the Prime Minister, the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Transport and the local government in attracting American Airlines to the Bahamas. He was confident that this important development will provide a major boost to Bahamas tourism.

American Eagle, a subsidiary of American Airlines, started service from Miami to Freeport, Marsh Harbour and Treasure Cay last January. American Eagle has plans to expand service to Eleuthera in the near future.

American Airlines will be supported by an aggressive marketing strategy involving the Ministry of Tourism, the airline, tour operators and the hotel industry.

CONTACT: The Bahamas News Bureau, 212-213-7114

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#90253p3137 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Family Islands of the Bahamas may expect to benefit this winter season with the inauguration of Pan American Airways' commuter air services from Florida.

According to the Director General of Tourism, Baltron B. Bethel, a team from the Ministries of Tourism and Transport, and the Hotel Corporation of the Bahamas are on a three day visit to Fresh Creek, Kemps Bay, George Town, Governor's Harbour, Rock Sound, North Eleuthera, Marsh Harbour, Treasure Cay and Bimini to survey hotel and airport facilities. Following this survey, Pan Am intends to file applications with the Ministry of Transport to provide service to several points in the Family Islands from Miami, which will allow convenient connections on the Pan Am system in the United States, South America and Europe.

CONTACT: Bahamas News Bureau, 212-213-7114

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#90253p3141 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHARDSON, TX (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - SPI Holding Inc. (AMEX: SPH) today announced the declaration of an in-kind dividend on the outstanding

shares of its 16 percent cumulative preferred stock payable through the issuance of 1/25th of a share of its 16 percent cumulative preferred stock for each outstanding share. The in-kind dividend is to be paid on Sept. 30, 1990, to holders of record on Sept. 20, 1990. Cash will be paid in lieu of issuing fractional shares of the 16 percent cumulative preferred stock.

SPI Holding Inc., through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Spectradyne Inc., is the largest provider of in-room entertainment services to the lodging industry in the United States and Canada.

CONTACT: John Aylsworth of SPI Holding Inc., 214-234-2721

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#90253p3145 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CA (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermark, Inc. (AMEX: IMI) today announced that Frederick B. Chaney and Paul N. Schwartz, former Directors of Triton Group Ltd., have been elected to the Intermark Board of Directors. The elections follow the merger of Triton into a wholly owned subsidiary of Intermark which was consummated on August 30, 1990.

Dr. Chaney, 53, has been the President and Chief Executive Officer of Vedax Sciences Corporation since 1981. Vedax Sciences designs and implements learning technology systems for corporate executives. He is also a Director of Hobie Sports, Inc. Dr. Chaney was a Director of Triton from December 1988 until the merger with Intermark.

Mr. Schwartz, 44, has been Senior Vice President-Corporate Development of MAXXAM Inc., formerly MCO Holdings, Inc., since 1987, and served as Vice President of MCO Holdings, Inc. from 1982 to 1987. He is also a Director of United Financial Group, Inc. Mr. Schwartz served as a member of the Board of Directors of Triton from June 1987 until the merger.

The Company also announced that Mark G. Foletta, 30, was promoted to Corporate Controller. Mr. Foletta joined Intermark in 1986 after serving with Ernst & Young as Audit Manager, and was named Assistant Corporate Controller in 1987.

Intermark is a $2 billion operating/holding company whose business is to acquire a controlling interest in, operate through and add value to well-established, successful, mid-sized American growth companies in broadly diverse industries.

CONTACT: Mitchell R. Woodbury, VP and Corporate Counsel of Intermark Inc., 619-459-3841

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#90253p3147 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) today announced the settlement of a complaint which had been issued against Crowley Maritime Corp., for violations of the Toxic Substances Control Act at their facility located at 321 Embarcadero, Oakland, Calif.

The facility had been cited for failure to: conduct required PCB (polychlorinated biphenyls) inspections, maintain proper PCB records, and register PCB transformers with the fire department; as well as failure to mark a PCB transformer and the access to it with a caution label.

As a result of the consent agreement and final order, Crowley Maritime will pay a penalty of $20,000 and come into compliance with all applicable PCB regulations.

TSCA authorizes EPA to regulate the manufacture, processing, distribution, use, disposal and marking of PCBs. PCBs belong to a broad family of organic chemicals known as chlorinated hydrocarbons. PCBs are toxic, extremely stable, and have been widely used in hydraulic systems, heat transfer systems, and as insulating fluid in electrical equipment.

EPA banned the manufacture of PCBs in 1979 because of their toxicity and persistence in the environment. They are classified as a probable human carcinogen.

CONTACT: Carrie Frieber of the U.S. EPA, 415-556-5136

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#90253p3149 09/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (SEPT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Communications Associates Inc. (NYSE: DCA), and Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ: MSFT) today announced the availability of the DCA/Microsoft Select Communications Server Version 1.0 (Select CS), a communications software product that enables personal computers (PCs) on local area networks (LANs) to access and share information with mainframe and peer computers.

Developed jointly by DCA and Microsoft with Data Connection Limited (DCL) of Enfield, England, Select CS is a key component of the networking strategy announced recently by Microsoft that also includes the LAN Manager network operating system and SQL Server database server.

"Select CS will help make enterprise-wide connectivity a reality in the 1990s," said C. "Garry" Betty, president and chief executive officer of DCA. "It will give end users increased flexibility to access mainframe resources through a variety of new data communications methods while at

the same time preserving the organization's investment in older equipment. Select will also allow customers to make client/server distributed applications an integral part of their networks."

"In order to broadly deploy distributed computing systems, corporate MIS departments require a connectivity environment that meets exacting reliability and manageability standards," said Bill Gates, chairman and chief executive officer of Microsoft. "Microsoft is proud to be associated with our partners in delivering Comm Server, which is a significant component of the Microsoft networking platform."

Betty and Gates will host over 200 computer network resellers at a special event during the Networld computer trade show here to formally kick-off Microsoft's Network Specialist Program. The program is expected to authorize up to 600 resellers in the United States and about 400 resellers internationally over the next 12 months to sell and support Select CS, LAN Manager and SQL Server.

Under the multi-million dollar program, Microsoft plans to increase significantly its domestic and international network sales, support, developer and training personnel. In addition, Microsoft will launch a wide ranging network end user marketing program including an advertising campaign, seminar series, trade show participation and direct marketing activities.

Microsoft LAN Manager authorized resellers will be conditionally authorized to sell Select CS. To receive full authorization, the resellers must attend a Select CS installation, configuration and emulation class within a six-month period.

Upon completing the class, the resellers will receive a copy of the eight concurrent user version of Select CS and access to the Select Reseller Priority Support Program which provides, among other things, maintenance release notification and priority telephone support.

Resellers See Select CS As Emerging Standard "All of our clients who are moving to the newer technologies are asking for tighter linkages to mainframes and minicomputers," said Michael Clifford, vice president of Computer Essentials in Atlanta, one of the first firms to join the Network Specialist Program as a reseller of Select CS. "We are very pleased with the degree of integration that Select CS shares with LAN Manager and SQL Server. We are confident that these products will provide the power needed in the highly sophisticated networks we are building for our clients."

CONTACT: William Marks of Digital Communications Associates, 404-442-4520, Brenda Hansen of Microsoft, 206-882-8080, or Jill Pembroke of The Waggener

Group, 503-245-0905

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#90253t1313 09/10/1990 ~ts
VLADIVOSTOK, (SEPT. 10) TASS - A FORCE OF WARSHIPS CONSISTING OF THE PRINCETON CRUISER AND THE REUBEN JAMES FRIGATE UNDER THE FLAG OF COMMANDER OF THE U.S. PACIFIC FLEET CHARLES LARSON ARRIVED IN VLADIVOSTOK TODAY ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT.

LAST AUGUST A GROUP OF SOVIET WARSHIPS UNDER THE FLAG OF COMMANDER OF THE PACIFIC FLEET GENNADI KHVATOV VISITED THE AMERICAN PORT OF SAN DIEGO.

AMERICAN SAILORS TODAY VISITED THE MARITIME TERRITORIAL AND VLADIVOSTOK CITY COUNCILS. A RECEPTION WAS ARRANGED IN HONOR OF THE U.S. DELEGATION.

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#90253t1317 09/10/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT. 10) TASS - PROMINENT ISRAELI POLITICIAN ARIEL SHARON IS IN MOSCOW, TASS HAS DISCOVERED.

AMBASSADOR OF THE STATE OF PALESTINE IN MOSCOW, NABIL AMR, SENT A LETTER TO TASS IN CONNECTION WITH THE VISIT, DESCRIBING SHARON AS "THE KEY FIGURE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MASSACRE IN THE PALESTINIAN REFUGEE CAMPS OF SABRA AND SHATILA" IN 1982.

THE LETTER SAYS: "IT IS ESPECIALLY PUZZLING THAT ARIEL SHARON, RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF THOUSANDS OF PALESTINIAN AND LEBANESE HOUSES, HAS ARRIVED IN MOSCOW AT THE INVITATION OF THE MOSCOW CITY COUNCIL TO COORDINATE ACTIONS IN RESOLVING THE HOUSING PROBLEM".

IN AMR'S OPINION, "THE VISIT AT THIS MOMENT WILL BE ASSESSED AS PROVOCATIVE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD".

TASS ASKED THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY INFORMATION DIRECTORATE TO EXPLAIN. THE DIRECTORATE CONFIRMED THAT, INDEED, SHARON "ARRIVED IN MOSCOW LAST THURSDAY AND PLANS TO STAY IN THE USSR UNTIL NEXT FRIDAY".

A FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN STRESSED AT THE SAME TIME THAT SHARON ARRIVED IN THE USSR "ON A PRIVATE INVITATION". SHARON WAS INVITED TO MOSCOW BY THE MODUL BUILDING COOPERATIVE. THE INVITATION WAS "SUPPORTED" BY THE MOSCOW CITY COUNCIL.

ACCORDING TO UNCONFIRMED REPORTS, THE MODUL COOPERATIVE PLANS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSING IN ISRAEL IN EXCHANGE FOR FRUIT AND VEGETABLE SUPPLIES TO MOSCOW.

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#90253t1327 09/10/1990 ~ts
BRUSSELS (SEPT. 10) TASS - A MEETING OF NATO FOREIGN MINISTERS OPENED HERE TODAY. U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER HAS ARRIVED IN THE BELGIAN CAPITAL FROM HELSINKI TO ATTEND THE MEETING. HE WILL INFORM AMERICA'S NATO ALLIES ON THE RESULTS OF THE SOVIET-U.S. SUMMIT TALKS.

BAKER TOLD JOURNALISTS UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN BRUSSELS THAT THE HELSINKI SUMMIT WAS SUCCESSFUL AND THAT HE WOULD CONFIRM THIS TODAY. HE SAID THAT, IN HIS OPINION, THE NATO NATIONS WOULD REACT POSITIVELY TO THE RESULTS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS.

THE SESSION WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE GULF SITUATION AND PROSPECTS FOR SETTLING THE CONFLICT PROVOKED BY IRAQ'S INVASION OF ITS TINY NEIGHBOUR.

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LONDON (SEPT. 10) TASS - THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF BRITAIN ON SUNDAY DECIDED TO SUBMIT FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE PARTY EMERGENCY CONGRESS RADICAL CHANGES IN THE PARTY, INCLUDING ITS RENAMING. THE CONGRESS IS SCHEDULED BETWEEN DECEMBER 8-9 IN LONDON.

THE COMMITTEE ADOPTED A DRAFT RESOLUTION, STRESSING THE NEED TO DEMOCRATIZE THE PARTY AND TRANSFORM IT INTO AN OPEN POLITICAL ORGANIZATION WHOSE MEMBERS WILL BE ABLE TO VOICE DIFFERENT POINT OF VIEW ON PROCESSES IN THE COUNTRY, BRITISH COMMUNIST PARTY PRESS SECRETARY JOE MARSHALL TOLD TASS. THE COMMITTEE DECIDED TO NAME THE PARTY "THE RADICAL SOCIALIST FEDERATION".

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 10) TASS - "MY COUNTRY AND THE SOVIET UNION HAVE BEGUN SERIOUS CONTACTS AIMED AT ESTABLISHING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS," SAUDI ARABIA FOREIGN MINISTER PRINCE SAUD AL-FAISAL AL-SAUD SAID IN JEDDA ON SUNDAY, ACCORDING TO THE FRANCE PRESSE AGENCY.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE USSR FOREIGN MINISTRY'S MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICAN DEPARTMENT COMMENTED ON THE NEWS AT THE REQUEST OF THE OFFICIAL SOVIET NEWS AGENCY TASS.

AN ACTIVE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH THE SAUDI LEADERSHIP IS UNDERWAY THROUGH A VARIETY OF CHANNELS, THE FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID. THIS EXCHANGE COVERS A NUMBER OF MAJOR ISSUES, INCLUDING A MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT, THE AFGHAN PROBLEM AND WORLD OIL PRICES. PERSONAL CONTACTS HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED AT AN ADVANCED POLITICAL LEVEL. THE LEADERS OF THE TWO

COUNTRIES HAVE EXCHANGED MESSAGES.

THE GULF CRISIS STIMULATED THE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH THE SAUDI SIDE BECAUSE IT AFFECTED THE INTERESTS OF BOTH THE SOVIET UNION AND SAUDI ARABIA, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

A SPECIAL ENVOY FROM THE SAUDI LEADERSHIP, BANDER IBN SULTAN, VISITED MOSCOW ON AUGUST 22-23 TO MEET SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE AND OTHER FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS FOR TALKS.

ALTHOUGH THERE WAS NO DISCUSSION OF THE POSSIBLE RESUMPTION OF FULL-SCALE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AT AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL THE SIDES STATED THAT THERE WAS AN URGET NEED TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM. IN THIS CONTEXT THE SAUDI FOREIGN MINISTER'S STATEMENT REFLECTS THE ACTUAL STATE OF AFFAIRS AND SOVIET INTENTIONS, THE SPOKESMAN NOTED.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 10) TASS - "A NEW ERA HAS BEEN OPENED IN COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO SUPER-POWERS", "MOSCOW-WASHINGTON COOPERATION HAS BEEN PLACED ON A DURABLE FOUNDATION", "IDEAL UNANIMITY IN THE ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION" - THIS IS HOW THE WASHINGTON POST, THE JAPANESE NIHON KEIZAI NEWSPAPER, AND THE FRENCH TF-1 TELEVISION NETWORK ASSESS THE RESULTS OF THE HELSINKI SUMMIT.

ONE CAN HARDLY DISAGREE WITH THESE EVALUATIONS. THE FIRST AND CHIEF RESULT OF THE MEETING IS THAT THE TWO GREAT POWERS HAVE COME OUT IN A UNITED FRONT AGAINST AGGRESSION FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE POST-WAR PERIOD, THEREBY PROVING THAT REALLY RADICAL CHANGES HAVE OCCURRED IN SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS AND THAT WORLD POLICY IS RAPIDLY SHEDDING ITS ERSTWHILE "IDEOLOGICAL" GARB.

BUT THIS IS NOT THE ONLY CONCLUSION THAT CAN BE DRAWN FROM THE RESULTS OF THE HELSINKI DIALOGUE. EQUALLY IMPORTANT IS THE FACT THAT IN CONDEMNING AGGRESSION BOTH MOSCOW AND WASHINGTON UNDERSCORE THEIR ADHERENCE TO U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS AND CALL FOR THEIR FIRM IMPLEMENTATION.

TODAY'S COMMENTS SHOW THAT THIS CALL WAS HEARD AND SUPPORTED IN MOST COUNTRIES. "WHEN HUSSEIN LAUNCHED HIS AGGRESSION AGAINST KUWAIT, HE HOPED THAT THE TRADITIONALLY CONTRADICTORY AMERICAN AND SOVIET INTERESTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST WOULD FACILITATE THE REALISATION OF HIS PLANS," THE AMERICAN ABC TELEVISION NETWORK BELIEVES. NOW IT IS OBVIOUS THAT BAGHDAD'S CALCULATIONS HAVE FALLEN THROUGH.

ON THE EVE OF THE HELSINKI SUMMIT BAGHDAD TRIED TO WHITEWASH ITS

AGGRESSION BY HARPING ON THE THESIS THAT IT IS NOT AGAINST A SETTLEMENT OF THE GULF CRISIS, BUT IN ONE PACKAGE WITH OTHER MIDDLE EAST PROBLEMS. SOME FOREIGN, INCLUDING ARAB NEWSPAPERS "DECIPHERED" THIS THESIS AS MEANING THAT THE USSR IS "TURNING A BLIND EYE" TO THE PALESTINE ISSUE BY OPPOSING KUWAIT'S ANNEXATION.

THEY IGNORED MOSCOW'S TRUE POSITION RECORDED, SPECIFICALLY, IN THE RECENT JOINT SOVIET-FRENCH STATEMENT NOTING THAT THIS CRISIS "REVEALS ONCE MORE THE VITAL NEED TO STEP UP EFFORTS AIMED AT QUICKLY SETTLING OTHER CONFLICTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST, PARTICULARLY THE PALESTINE ISSUE."

NOW THE SAME IDEA IS STRESSED IN THE JOINT SOVIET-AMERICAN STATEMENT. AND IF PRACTICAL EFFORTS TO SETTLE THE PALESTINE ISSUE HAVE SLACKENED, IS THIS NOT BECAUSE THE IRAQI AGGRESSION HAS SHIFTED ACCENTS IN THE WORK OF THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL AND HAS DIVERTED PUBLIC OPINION FROM THIS PROBLEM?

AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST. THE HELSINKI SUMMIT HAS ANSWERED THE QUESTION THAT ALARMED NOT ONLY THE ARABS BUT ALL THE WORLD - DO CERTAIN WASHINGTON CIRCLES INTEND TO EXPLOIT THE PRESENT SITUATION FOR PERPETUATING THEIR MILITARY PRESENCE IN THE GULF AREA? PRESIDENT BUSH HAS REPLIED UNEQUIVOCALLY AND WITH A SENSE OF FULL RESPONSIBIITY THAT THE ADMINISTRATION HAS NO SUCH PLANS. THIS STATEMENT WAS RECEIVED WITH SATISFACTION NOT ONLY IN ARAB STATES.

THE HELSINKI SUMMIT HAS STRENGTHENED THE HOPES THAT THE GULF CRISIS WOULD BE SETTLED BY POLITICAL AND NOT MILITARY MEANS. HOWEVER, IF CURRENT EFFORTS DO NOT STOP THE AGGRESSION, THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES AS NOTED IN THE SOVIET-AMERICAN STATEMENT, ARE PREPARED TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF ADDITIONAL STEPS IN KEEPING WITH THE U.N. CHARTER.

IT REMAINS TO BE HOPED THAT IN ANALYSING THE RESULTS OF THE HELSINKI SUMMIT THE IRAQI LEADERSHIP WILL NOT OVERLOOK THIS DECLARATION. AFTER ALL, IT IS A VERY SERIOUS MATTER IF THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES, AS WELL AS THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF OTHER MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, OPPOSE AGGRESSION SO RESOLUTELY.

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MOSCOW SEPTEMBER 10 TASS - PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV HAS DEMANDED TO "OVERCOME LEGAL NIHILISM IN SOCIETY, WHICH IS FRAUGHT WITH DECOMPOSITION OF THE SYSTEM OF LEGISLATIVE, EXECUTIVE AND JURIDICAL POWER".

HE HAS SENT A TELEGRAM ON STRENGTHENING OF LAW AND ORDER TO PRESIDENTS OF UNION REPUBLICS AND OF UNION AND AUTONOMOUS REPUBLICAN SUPREME SOVIETS, CHAIRMEN OF REGIONAL, TERRITORIAL AND DISTRICT COUNCILS.

PERESTROIKA IS MOVING AHEAD "WITH DIFFICULTIES AND CONTROVERSY, AND IS

FRAUGHT WITH REAL DANGERS. IT IS OPPOSED BY DEFINITE FORCES", THE TELEGRAM READS. THE CHARACTER OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CHANGES AND DIFFICULTIES CONNECTED WITH THEM DEMAND THAT AUTHORITIES AT ALL LEVELS ACT FIRMLY, FULLY USING ALL THEIR POWER AND THE POWER OF LAW.

WEAK POINTS, SERIOUS DRAWBACKS AND BLUNDERS APPEARED IN THE ACTIVITIES OF CENTRAL, REPUBLICAN AND LOCAL BODIES. ALL THIS UNSETTLES THE COUNTRY, CAUSES ALARM AND ANXIETY OF PEOPLE, CREATES THE ATMOSPHERE OF MISMANAGEMENT, AROUSES DISCORD IN ACTIVITIES, IRRESPONSIBILITY AND INTOLERABLE ATTITUDE TO LAWS AND STATE DISCIPLINE, THE TELEGRAM READS.

THE CURRENT STATE OF AFFAIRS CANNOT BE TOLERATED, THE PRESIDENT SAID. IN ANY CASE, UNCONDITIONAL IMPLEMENTATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL NORMS AND OBSERVANCE OF THE CURRENT LEGISLATION IS NEEDED. LAWLESSNESS IS ESPECIALLY DESTRUCTIVE IN THE ECONOMIC SPHERE, AS IT UNDERMINES THE VERY FOUNDATIONS OF THE COUNTRY'S LIFE AND EACH MAN'S WELL-BEING, THE MESSAGE READS.

NOTING THAT VIOLATIONS OF LAW IN MANY CASES REMAIN UNPUNISHED (THIS CONCERNS MANAGERS, COLLECTIVES AND CENTRAL MANAGING BODIES), THE PRESIDENT NOTES THAT EMPLOYEES IN THE ECONOMIC SPHERE AT ALL LEVELS, ARE FULLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THEIR DUTIES.

CRIME IS A SERIOUS DANGER FOR SOCIETY, THE TELEGRAM READS. ITS GROWTH NEGATIVELY AFFECTS THE MORAL AND POLITICAL CLIMATE IN THE COUNTRY, UNDERMINES FAITH IN THE STATE'S ABILITY TO ENSURE PEOPLE'S LEGAL RIGHTS AND SECURITY.

"WE SHALL NOT REACH THE SET GOALS, IF WE DO NOT ENSURE THE TRIUMPH OF LAW. THE SOVIET UNION'S NATIONAL, STATE AND LEGAL RESTRUCTURING, THE TRANSITION TO MARKET RELATIONS AND MORAL RENOVATION OF SOCIETY WILL REMAIN ONLY GOOD INTENTIONS, IF MANAGING BODIES AT ALL LEVELS AND THE PUBLIC DO NOT TAKE UP A HARD AND URGENT TASK OF STRENGTHENING LAW, ORDER AND DISCIPLINE," THE PRESIDENT STRESSED.

PRESIDENT GORBACHEV INVITED ADDRESSEES TO REPORT OF MEASURES TAKEN AND THEIR RESULTS BY OCTOBER 15 AND BY JANUARY 1, 1991.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 10) TASS - THE SOVIET UNION AND CHINA TODAY OPENED THEIR TALKS IN MOSCOW ON MUTUAL CUTS IN ARMED FORCES AND CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURES IN THE MILITARY FIELD ON THE SOVIET-CHINESE BORDER.

THE FIRST MEETING WAS OPENED BY THE COUNTRIES' DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTERS IGOR ROGACHEV AND TIAN ZENGPEI.

ROGACHEV DESCRIBED THESE TALKS AS "ONE OF THE MAIN ELEMENTS IN THE PROCESS

OF STRENGTHENING SOVIET-CHINESE RELATIONS". TIAN ZENGPEI POINTED TO THE IMPORTANCE OF THE TALKS AND EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT THEY WOULD PRODUCE CONCRETE RESULTS.

THE SOVIET DELEGATION TO THE TALKS IS LED BY GENRIKH KIREYEV, HEAD OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S ASIAN SOCIALIST COUNTRIES DEPARTMENT. THE CHINESE DELEGATION IS LED BY LIU GUANZHI, DEPUTY HEAD OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S DEPARTMENT FOR THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 10) TASS - U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER ARRIVED IN MOSCOW TODAY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE "TWO PLUS FOUR" TALKS OF THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE SOVIET UNION, THE UNITED STATES, BRITAIN, FRANCE, AND EAST AND WEST GERMANY. THE TALKS WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 12.

BAKER WILL ALSO HOLD TALKS WITH SOVIET OFFICIALS. A SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL TOLD TASS THAT THE SOVIET-U.S. TALKS WILL FOCUS ON THE "FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AND INVIGORATION OF SOVIET-U.S. TRADE AND ECONOMIC TIES".

BAKER IS CO-CHAIRMAN OF A PRESIDENTIAL TRADE-AND-ECONOMIC MISSION, NOW STAYING IN THE SOVIET UNION. THE OTHER CO-CHAIRMAN IS COMMERCE SECRETARY ROBERT MOSBACHER. AT MOSCOW'S AIRPORT, BAKER WAS WELCOMED BY SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER ALEXEI OBUKHOV.

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#90253t1349 09/10/1990 ~ts
TALLINN (SEPT. 10) TASS - A SESSION OF THE ESTONIAN SUPREME SOVIET OPENED HERE TODAY. ESTONIAN PRESIDENT ARNOLD RUUTEL AND PRIME MINISTER EDGAR SAVISAAR REPORTED TO THE PARLIAMENT ON RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE REPUBLIC, POINTED TO THE INSTABILITY IN THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SPHERES AND CALLED THE DEPUTIES TO DISPLAY CALM AND WISDOM IN TACKLING PROBLEMS RELATING TO THE RESTORATION OF THE REPUBLIC'S POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SOVEREIGNTY.

THEN THE DEPUTIES BEGAN DISCUSSING A PROPOSED AGENDA, INCLUDING ITEMS ON TALKS WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, ON THE ABOLITION OF STATE SUBSIDIES TO PARTIALLY REBATE MEAT, DAIRY AND FISH PRODUCT PRICES AND ON THE INTRODUCTION OF COMPENSATION PAYMENTS TO THE POPULATION.

ESTONIAN DELEGATION LEADER YULO NUGIS TOLD DEPUTIES ABOUT TALKS IN MOSCOW WHICH HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED LATELY, BECAUSE FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF THE SOVIET CONSTITUTION ESTONIA IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE SOVIET UNION AND CANNOT ACT AS A SUBJECT OF TALKS.

NUGIS SAID THAT TALKS PROCEEDED NORMALLY AT THE OUTSET BUT THEN MOSCOW

SOUGHT TO REVISE THEIR STATUS AS CONSULTATIONS AND EVENTUALLY IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE MOSCOW DELEGATION HAD NO RESPECTIVE AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT TALKS.

THE LOCAL PRESS HAS REPEATEDLY SAID THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF TALKS WERE DISRUPTED FOLLOWING A SALLY KAITSELIJT ORGANISATION MEMBERS WHO ATTEMPTED ON SEPTEMBER 2 TO RESTORE THE PRE-WAR ESTONIAN BORDER ON THE TERRITORIES OF THE LENINGRAD AND PSKOV REGIONS UNDER THE GUISE OF COMMAND STAFF EXERCISES.

DEPUTY MALKOVSKY'S PROPOSAL TO WORK OUT A PARLIAMENTARY POLICY STATEMENT AND MEASURES TO FORESTALL ACTS OF THIS KIND WAS TURNED DOWN AS INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE AGENDA. THE SESSION WILL CONTINUE ITS WORK ON TUESDAY.

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BRATISLAVA (SEPT 10) TASS - A SPECIAL COMMISSION OF WARSAW TREATY MEMBER-STATES FOR DISARMAMENT BEGAN WORK HERE TODAY.

THE MEETING, HELD AT DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER AND CHIEF OF STAFF LEVEL, AIMS TO PROMOTE THE VIENNA TALKS ON CONVENTIONAL ARMS IN EUROPE.

WELCOMING PARTICIPANTS, SLOVAK FOREIGN MINISTER MILAN KNJAZKO NOTED THAT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE MEETING IS DETERMINED BY TOPICS DISCUSSED, PARTICULARLY THE SUFFICIENCY OF ARMS, THEIR NATIONAL LIMITS AND LIQUIDATION OF UNNECESSARY ARMS AND MILITARY EQUIPMENT OF WARSAW TREATY COUNTRIES.

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#90253t1354 09/10/1990 ~ts

VILNIUS (SEPT. 10) TASS - THE WORLD CONGRESS OF LITHUANIAN BUSINESSMEN OPENED HERE TODAY. IT IS ATTENDED BY ETHNIC LITHUANIANS LIVING IN THE UNITED STATES, CANADA, BRITAIN, AND WEST GERMANY.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE CONGRESS, LITHUANIAN PRIME MINISTER KAZIMIERA PRUNSKIENE NOTED THAT THE FUTURE OF THE ECONOMIC REFORM IN LITHUANIA DEPENDS, TO A GREAT EXTENT, ON POLITICAL DECISIONS, PARTICULARLY ON THE RESULTS OF TALKS BETWEEN LITHUANIA AND THE SOVIET UNION.

AFTER THE MORATORIUM HAD BEEN DECLARED, THE ECONOMIC BLOCKADE WAS SUSPENDED FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1990, SHE SAID. THE PRIME MINISTER SAID SHE IS WORRIED WITH THE FACT THAT HEADS OF MANY BRANCHES OF INDUSTRY, INCLUDING METALLURGY AND TRANSPORT, FAILED TO GET A PERMISSION TO MAINTAIN ECONOMIC TIES WITH LITHUANIA IN THE LAST QUARTER OF 1990.

SHE SAID THERE IS NO INFORMATION ALSO ABOUT SALES OF OIL AND GAS TO THE REPUBLIC. AS LITHUANIA IS NOT AWARE OF THE SOVIET UNION'S INTENTIONS, IT IS TAKING MEASURES TO STORE OIL AND FOOD PRODUCTS, PRUNSKIENE SAID.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - President Bush and Soviet President Gorbachev Sunday showed a united front against Iraq's occupation of Kuwait. They agreed that NOTHING short of a return of Kuwait's sovereignty will end the international embargo against Iraq. Bush told reporters he is more likely to seek economic aid for Moscow following its support. But Gorbachev emphasized that the Soviet Union is NOT co-operating with the United States in return for money.

A planeload of 300 Americans freed from Iraqi control burst into song with a rendition of ''God Bless America'' Sunday upon touching down in Charleston, South Carolina. Most of those returning were women or children... but one man said he escaped Kuwait by posing as a mute Arab... stealing a car and using it for a bribe... and walking through the desert to Jordan.

Across the Atlantic... what is expected to be the last major airlift of Britons landed in London Sunday. Nearly 400 former British, American and Irish women and children were flown out of Iraq. Most said they were well treated by their Iraqi guards... although some complained of bad food. Some reported intensifying armed resistance by Kuwaitis against their Iraqi occupiers.

Western diplomatic sources say Liberian President Samuel Doe was shot in the legs and captured by rebel forces Sunday. A report by the British Broadcasting Company says fighting broke out when Doe made an Unscheduled trip to the headquarters of the West African peace-keeping force in the captiol, Monrovia. 64 people were believed killed... mostly members of the presidential guard.

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#90253u0130 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - A planeload of Americans arrived in their homeland Sunday just out of Iraqi hands... and some encouraged war on Baghdad. Some 300 freed hostages sang ''God Bless America'' after their plane landed in Charleston, South Carolina. One woman said most of the hostages in Kuwait wished the United States would- in her words- ''hurry up and attack.'' Another woman said she would tell President Bush ''where to point the missles.''

President Bush returned to the White House Sunday happy with his meeting

with Soviet President Gorbachev to show a united front against Iraq. Aboard Air Force One en route from Helsinki, Finland, Bush assessed the summit as going ''very well.'' The chief executive said the summit sends a strong message to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''that he's NOT going to divide and conquer.''

Thousands of reservists have gotten the call-up to serve in the U-S troop deployment in the Middle East... but Hollywood has barely gotten noticed. The U-S-O has sent hundreds of entertainers to past military operations. Bob Hope performed for soldiers in the Persian Gulf just two years ago. But Hope hasN'T got a call for the latest crisis. Comedian Jay Leno is the only show business personality scheduled for the Middle East so far.

A news report from Gainesville, Florida, says investigators have found a knife at the home of a suspect in the stabbing deaths of five college students. Sunday's story cites UNidentified sources familiar with the probe saying jailed suspect Edward Humphrey told detectives the knife was in a milk carton in his grandmother's home.

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#90253u0134 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - Western diplomatic sources confirm that rebels have captured the president of Liberia. The British Broadcasting Corporation reports Liberian President Samuel Doe was shot in the legs and taken away Sunday in a fight that left 64 dead in the capital... Monrovia. Rebel leader Prince Johnson told the B-B-C he will take over the country... but U-S television reports say opposing rebel leader Charles Taylor declared himself in charge.

Former Philippine first lady Imelda Marcos and hundreds of supporters in Honolulu Sunday celebrated the birthday of her late husband... former President Ferdinand Marcos. Imelda Marcos again asked that she be allowed to bring her husband's body back to his homeland for permanent burial. Supporters said Marcos may run for Philippine president... but she says that is ''the last thing'' on her mind.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Chicago at Cleveland, 2, 5:05 p.m.
Milwaukee at Boston, 2, 5:05 p.m.
Texas at New York, 7:30 p.m.

Detroit at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
Oakland at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.
Minnesota at California, 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
St. Louis at New York, 7:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Montreal at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
Atlanta at San Francisco, 10:05 p.m.

BOXING
AIBA World Cup, Dublin, Ireland

SOFTBALL

North Mankato, Minn. - Men's Major Fast Pitch National Championships

TENNIS
Phoenx, Ariz., - $150,000 Arizona Classic
Tokyo - $150,000 Tokyo International Doubles

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#90253u0214 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 10) UPI - Authorities say weekend fighting in the South African black township of Soweto killed 16 people. People fired shotguns and teargas to break up the warring black groups. Residents accused police of complicity in the killings and threw stones and gasoline bombs at officers. Police fired to chase away the demonstrators.

Israeli police yesterday arrested six aides to the interior minister and searched their homes. The aides were taken to police headquarters for questioning. The minister is suspected of illegally transferring government money to his family.

Police sources in the Kashmir Valley of India say Moslem rebels killed a 12-year-old girl during the weekend. The girl's body was found shot yesterday. A note from a Moslem group was stuffed in her pocket saying she was a police informant. The Moslems in Kashmir are fighting for independence from India.

Police believe a multiple killer may have murdered up to nine women in Northeast Philadelphia. The latest victim was found Saturday in her apartment. She was stabbed at least 17 times. Eight other women in the area have died in a similar manner in the past five years.

Workers at Cape Canaveral turned their attention to the shuttle Discovery over the weekend. The Ulysses spacecraft that is to make a five-month voyage to the sun was loaded aboard the shuttle. Engineers also worked on the other shuttle, Columbia, whose flight has been delayed by fuel leaks.

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#90253u0231 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (SEPT. 10) UPI - A single-engine plane piloted by state Rep. Sam Johnson crashed and burned in the middle of a highway Sunday night, injuring Johnson and three others aboard, authorities said.

The aircraft apparently was trying to make an emergency landing shortly before 9:30 p.m. onto the Dallas Tollway. There were no reports of injuries on the ground.

The Texas Department of Public Safety said the plane apparently clipped and knocked down a chain-link fence running along the west side of the tollway while attempting to land.

Johnson, 59, a Republican from Plano, was in critical condition in Parkland Memorial Hospital with burns to 16 percent of his body, said spokeswoman Carolyn Storm.

James Melton, 55, the co-pilot, was listed in serious condition with burns over 22 percent of his body, while passenger Jack Pittman, 32, was in fair condition with burns to 12 percent of his body, Storm said.

Passenger Norman Dobrich was not admitted to the hospital.

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#90253u0237 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

FOLKESTONE, ENGLAND (SEPT. 10) UPI - Dozens of ex-fighter pilots gathered to attend an air show in commemoration one of the greatest air battles in history - the Battle of Britain.

Fifty years ago, the battle was waged in the skies above southern England. It was to change the course of World War II.

The pilots who returned Sunday to County Kent, the garden of England in the southeast corner of the country, recalled that it was the epicenter of that epic conflict. They also remembered the scores of Britons and others who helped to defend the island against Germany's powerful Luftwaffe, or air force.

''This was not just the Battle of Britain, it was the battle for Britain '' Royal Air Force Air Chief Marshal Sir Christopher Foxley- Norris told

the group at a luncheon.

Foxley-Norris expanded on Winston Churchill's Aug. 20, 1940, speech praising the RAF in which the prime minister said: ''Never in the course of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few.''

''The few,'' Foxley-Norris noted, ''were the sharp end of the pyramid ... at the bottom were the English people.''

Former British fighters pilots were reunited with some 30 American veterans who had volunteered for the RAF to watch their old aircraft, including Hurricanes and Spitfires perform in an air display.

During the battle 50 years ago, the clear blue skies were criss- crossed with vapor trails of the RAF's Spitfires and Hurricanes fighting the might of the Luftwaffe.

The threat of invasion was real. By 1940, Folkestone had become a virtual ghost town. Its population had decreased from 45,000 to 10,000 people with 4 out of 5 shops closed and shuttered.

Barricades and barbed wire lined the seafront. The German invasion plan called ''Operation Sealion'' was imminent.

In the air, the Hawker Hurricane, the most predominant RAF fighter, and the Supermarine Spitfire, were closely matched by the Luftwaffe Messerschmit 109s.

Indeed, the Me 109, also code-named Emil, could climb faster below 20,000 feet and had superior handling at low speeds. However, it did lack the maneuverability of the Spitfire.

The Spitfire was the only Allied aircraft to be in continuous production throughout World War II. This immortal aircraft remained in RAF service until 1959.

The Battle of Britain was not just about the superlative aircraft. Pilots from many nations flew with great distinction. Poles, Czechs and Americans who had volunteered to join the RAF also joined the fight.

The veterans from Eastern Europe are only now being honored in their own countries. They were once branded traitors. During the Battle of Britain, Polish pilots destroyed over 200 enemy aircraft.

Battle of Britain pilots had little idea as to how important their role was to become. Some flew for the sheer enjoyment of flying and camaraderie.

These gladiators of the sky semmed fearless. RAF Flight Lt. Geoffrey Page,

a pilot during the battle, recalled that ''youth always thinks it is immortal.''

September marks a month of Battle of Britain celebrations in Britain, the climax being a massive fly-past over Buckingham Palace set for next Saturday.

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#90253u0259 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

MCALESTER, Okla. (SEPT. 10) UPI - Charles Troy Coleman, a convicted double murderer, was put to death early Monday by injection, becoming the first person executed in Oklahoma in 24 years.

Coleman, 43, the son of a sharecropper, was given the injection at 12:25 a.m. and pronounced dead at 12:35 a.m.

''Just tell everyone I love them and I have peace and quiet heart,'' Coleman said in his last statement. He requested that several bible verses be read before the injection began.

At 12:26 a.m. he turned to one of his attorneys, Mandy Welch, and mouthed, ''I love you,'' before closing his eyes and taking two or three deep breaths.

Coleman was the first person in Oklahoma to be executed by lethal injection and the 137th person in the United States to be put to death since the Supreme Court restored the death penalty in 1976. The state's last execution, in 1966, was by electric chair.

The Supreme Court refused twice Sunday to consider appeals filed by Coleman's lawyer. Among the eight justices now on the court, only death penalty opponent Thurgood Marshall dissented both times. Justice Harry Blackmun was listed as not participating in either decision.

Coleman's lawyers filed more than 20 unsuccessful bids in five courts to overturn his sentence. He was moved at 7 a.m. Sunday from his death row cell to an 8- by 15-foot holding cell next to the execution chamber.

The holding cell contains a metal cot with a mattress, sheets, a shower stall and a steel toilet-sink unit.

Coleman was sentenced to death for the February 1979 shotgun killing of a man during a burglary in Muskogee. John Seward and his wife, Roxie, were fatally shot when they surprised Coleman as he burglarized the home of Seward's sister.

He was sentenced to death in October 1979 for the husband's slaying, but

was never prosecuted in the death of the wife.

Coleman was captured several hours after the killings, but escaped from jail while awaiting trial. He later allegedly overpowered a police officer in Luther, Okla., and slashed his throat.

The officer survived, but Coleman later used the sidearm he stole from the officer to kill a man in Sand Springs, near Tulsa, and steal his car. Coleman finally was captured in Arizona and also was convicted of murder in the Sand Springs case.

More than 100 protesters of Oklahoma's death penalty rallied Saturday on the steps of the state Capitol. Oklahoma City's Roman Catholic Archbishop Charles A. Salatka delivered to Gov. Henry Bellmon's office Friday an appeal for clemency on behalf of Pope John Paul II.

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#90253u0265 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 10) UPI - Tokyo stock prices leaped nearly 5 percent Monday, but some analysts said it was just another technical rebound for a market that had lost almost 8 percent the week before.

The Nikkei average of 225 selected shares, the market's key indicator, jumped 1,118.83 points, or 4.7 percent, to end at 25,080.90. The Nikkei had ended the previous week with a mild rally of 150.16 points following four straightlosses.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index of all major shares, which slipped 0.10 points Friday, advanced 57.35 points to close at 1,903.28.

Volume was light, with an estimated 330 million shares traded, down from Friday's 443.36 million.

Buyers were encouraged by the yen's increasing strength against the U.S. dollar and by optimism over the result of the Helsinki summit between President Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, analysts said.

But the lack substantial commitment on the market floor led some to conclude the rally was unsustainable.

''Volume was pathetic,'' said analyst Brian Tobin of S.G. Warburg Securities. ''There is ample evidence that this was simply a technical rebound.''

He pointed to the scarcity of institutional buying Monday.

The market was simply repeating a pattern set in midsummer of rebounding

after massive losses in short-lived rallies led by dealer- buying, individual investment and arbitrage buying, he said.

Buying centered on blue-chip issues, especially those that were hard-hit the week before, suggesting that arbitrage propelled much of market rise, brokers said.

''People are taking very short-term positions in the current market,'' said a Japanese broker who declined to be named.

Shipping lines advanced on word that the Japanese government will offer them tax breaks to compensate for higher insurance and fuel costs resulting from the Gulf crisis.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - Lightning flashed and thunder rumbled Monday from Colorado to Tennessee and flood warnings were posted in Texas, while hot weather covered the West and fog enveloped the Mid-Atlantic states.

Storms moved off the Rocky Mountain foothills over Boulder, Colo., carrying lightning and heavy rain.

Storms also hit Wisconsin, Michigan, Missouri and Tennessee where heavy rain was reported along a line of storms that ran from Milwaukee, Wis., to northwest of Muskegon, Mich.

Thunderstorms, some of them severe, also rolled across much of the South early Monday. A roof blew off a textile building near the northwest Georgia town of Chatsworth. No injuries were reported.

The National Weather Service posted flash flood watches in Texas from Corpus Christi to Waco after a large area of showers that included thunderstorms passed across the region.

The West continued to fry under hot skies. Tucson, Ariz., posted 105 degrees Sunday, breaking the previous record for that date of 104 degrees and even Los Angeles suffered a bit with a 99-degree high.

Skies were sunny in Northern California and temperatures were in the 60s along the coast and in the 80s and 90s inland but rose to 102 at Paso Robles in the coastal mountains of central California. More of the same was expected through midweek.

Dense fog covered western Pennsylvania and southwestern North Carolina, cutting visibility to less than a mile and making driving dangerous. Conditions were made worse by drizzle in some areas.

Mostly cloudy skies were reported throughout much of the Northeast, with some drizzle and light rain falling in upstate New York, Massachusetts and northwestern Virginia. Temperatures remained slightly cooler than normal for this time of year, but were considered seasonable.

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#90253u0297 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 10) UPI - British Secretary of State Douglas Hurd Monday joined a growing chorus of Western leaders asking Japan to give more than the $1 billion it has already pledged to support a multinational fight against Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Japan, which announced its billion-dollar contribution on Aug. 29 after a drawn-out domestic debate, has come under increasing pressure to increase the figure.

Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady met with Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu Friday to push for Japan's contribution to a multi-billion dollar aid package to the front-line states, the Middle East countries most heavily burdened by the U.N. economic sanctions imposed on Iraq following its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait during an oil and border dispute.

Brady asked Japan to give an additional $2 billion, according to Japanese news reports. Those reports said Japan could announce its additional aid plan by the end of this week.

Japan's Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama, who was scheduled to leave Monday for a three-day trip to Vancouver, Canada, canceled his trip to help formulate Japan's response to the gulf crisis, a Foreign Ministry official said.

Hurd said Japan's $1 billion contribution to the multinational forces was ''a good start.''

But he added Japan must now come up with a plan to back nations like Egypt Jordan and Turkey that are said to be suffering from a U.N. embargo on trade with Iraq.

Asked if Japan was being pushed into contributing rather than taking a lead in the effort, Hurd said, ''I would say she is taking a willing part.''

Japan pledged to spend $1 billion on non-military suplies and logistics such as food, medicine and civilian transport, in addition to sending 100 medical personnel to the Persian Gulf.

Japan has also said it will give $22 million to aid the evacuees in Jordan.

But Tokyo decided not to send military personnel because its Constitution, written after its defeat in World War II, prohibits the dispatch of forces overseas.

Japan is coming under increasing pressure to make up for its inability to contribute manpower with a larger financial contribution.

U.S. Ambassador to Japan Michael Armacost said Sunday Japan's $1 billion contribution was a ''welcome first step'' but urged the Japanese to do more.

''As the world's second largest economy, you possess an obvious capacity to contribute,'' Armacost said in a speech in Ito, a seaside resort southwest of Tokyo.

Armacost said the size of Japan's contribution ''will indicate what share of the costs and risks you are prepared to shoulder in coping with crises in the post-Cold War world. Americans hope you will be generous and farsighted.''

Also Monday, Bank of Japan Governor Yasushi Mieno said the gulf crisis will not seriously damage Japan's economy.

As long as oil prices stay below $40 a barrel, the Japanese economy is resilient enough to adapt, the chief of Japan's central bank said at a meeting with foreign reporters.

He added higher interest rates imposed by the central bank in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait could actually benefit the nation's economy, by easing the labor shortage through slower economic growth.

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#90253u0302 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, Egypt (SEPT. 10) UPI - A radical Iranian daily urged world Moslems Monday to rise up against the reported dispatch of some 10,000 Egyptian women to entertain U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia. But an Egyptian spokesman described the report as ''nonsense.''

Iran's Islamic Republic News Agency quoted the daily Jomhuri Eslami as saying in an editorial that ''such a disgraceful conspiracy must be foiled from the very beginning because tomorrow is too late.''

The daily, which gave no source or evidence for its allegations, said Moslems who died in the act of preventing ''the materialization of this filthy move'' would be considered martyrs.

The newspaper said it was the duty of world Moslems to ensure Moslem Egyptian women were not ''abused and used for entertainment of the American forces.''

An Egyptian foreign ministry spokesman described the Iranian newspaper report as ''complete and utter nonsense.''

Radical factions in Iran opposed to the country's pragmatist President Hojatoleslam Ali-Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani have used harsh terms to condemn the presence of U.S.-led forces deployed in the Persian Gulf.

The Iranian government has condemned Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and continuing occupation of Kuwait, but diplomatic sources said Tehran may allow clandestine trading across the Iraq-Iran border to help Baghdad bust U.N.-imposed sanctions.

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#90253u0383 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NORWALK, CA (SEPT. 10) UPI - A utility truck speeding along a freeway shoulder slammed into a stopped pickup truck, killing four children and injuring 10 other people, authorities said Monday.

The 14 victims were packed into a pickup truck stopped on the shoulder of the southbound Santa Ana Freeway about 10:50 p.m. Sunday, California Highway Patrol Officer Dave Boyland said.

A utility truck driven by a 35-year-old man slammed into the pickup truck, he said. The truck was loaded with carpenter's tools and equipment.

''Witnesses put him on the (freeway) shoulder at 60 to 65 mph prior to impact,'' Boyland said.

The impact scattered debris, nails and construction tools over all four lanes.

Two boys and two girls, ages 2, 6, 8 and 16, died at the scene, Boyland said.

Three other people in the pickup truck were in critical condition and seven others were less injured.

The victims' names were not immediately released.

The utility truck driver was treated for minor injuries and taken to a hospital for a blood-alcohol test. He faced arrest on suspicion of vehicular manslaughter, Boyland said.

The crash closed all southbound freeway lanes for several hours while investigators gathered evidence, he said.

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#90253u0398 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - President Bush says his one-day summit with Soviet President Gorbachev in Helsinki, Finland, was a success. In a show of East-West solidarity, the two leaders declared themselves ''united in the belief that Iraq's aggression must NOT be tolerated.'' The statement threatened pressure if Iraq does NOT respond to diplomatic efforts to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis. .

A chartered Northwest Airlines Boeing 747 landed at Charleston International Airport in South Carolina yesterday carrying 311 Americans who were trapped in Kuwait. The Americans arrived in Amman, Jordan, Friday after passing through Baghdad. Five passengers- two women and three children- got off the plane in Halifax, Nova Scotia, suffering from an UNknown illness.

Budget negotiators continue their talks this morning at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington. The negotiators are in a race against time to come up with a deficit-reducing agreement that will trim 500-BILLION dollars during the next five years. If there's NO agreement by October 1st automatic across-the board cuts go into effect.

Western diplomatic sources say Liberian President Samuel Doe is in the hands of rebel forces following his capture yesterday. Sources say rebel troops loyal to Prince Johnson shot and then captured Doe at the headquarters of the West African peace-keeping force in the Liberian capital of Monrovia. The U-S State Department is NOT confirming Doe's capture.

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#90253u0403 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - The son of Cambodian resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk says his father will NOT join the U-N- sanctioned interim government in his homeland. Rival factions have been trying to join together to hold Cambodia's seat in the United Nations prior to free elections. Sihanouk reportedly is taking a six-month sabbatical.

Investigators in Gainesville, Florida, reportedly found a knife hidden in a milk carton at the home of a prime suspect in the slayings of five young college students. A published report quotes UNidentified sources close to the case as saying Edward Humphrey told authorities where to find the knife. Humphrey has NOT been charged in the student murderers and is in

custody for allegedly assaulting his grandmother.

New York City Mayor David Dinkins says it's time New Yorkers band together in the fight against crime. Dinkins spoke to a packed crowd at St. Patrick's Cathedral yesterday and urged citizens to join anti-crime groups and- quote- ''organize to take back our streets.'' New York City has experienced a summer of random violence that has left 15 children injured by stray gunfire.

Ellis Island formally re-opens to the public today as the National Museum of Immigration. The restored complex will serve as a memorial honoring those Millions who passed through its gates on their way to a new life in America. Vice President Quayle attended the museum's dedication yesterday which included Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia leading 46 adults and three children in the oath of citizenship.

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#90253u0481 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - President Bush calls his summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev a success. He says the two leaders sent a strong message to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that pressure will increase if diplomacy does NOT solve the Gulf crisis. .

NATO foreign ministers will discuss the Helsinki summit today at a meeting in Brussels. Secretary of State James Baker will brief them. The NATO ministers also will consider their Persian Gulf strategy.

Nearly 700 foreigners former hostages in Iraq and Kuwait flew to London and Charleston, South Carolina, yesterday. 476 were Americans. A woman said she hid with fellow Americans and Kuwaiti friends smuggled them food.

Oklahoma has executed a condemned prisoner for the first time in 24 years. Charles Coleman, convicted of two murders, was put to death by injection today. The Supreme Court refused to consider his last-minute appeals.

Space agency managers may set a new launch date for the shuttle Columbia as early as today. They hope to launch the shuttle in about a week. The flight has been postponed several times since May, the last time because of faulty fuel pumps.

The House Armed Services Committee today will consider how much defense money is needed. Two factors are at work- the easing of the Cold War, requiring less money... and the heating up of the Gulf crisis, requiring more.

Authorities say Connecticut crime figures are nervous because John ''Sonny'' Castagna is cooperating with the law. They woN'T say what he has

revealed. His son, Jack Johns, also is cooperating.

Petroleum industry analyst Trilby Lundberg says the price of retail gasoline rose more than two cents a gallon in the past two weeks. It now averages more than one dollar 35 cents. Lundberg says the Middle East crisis makes predictions impossible.

The four allied powers who were victorious in World War Two meet in Moscow Wednesday to sign an agreement giving a united Germany its sovereignty. This will clear the way for East and West Germany to unite next month.

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#90253u0496 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - Riot police used tear gas in Yugoslavia's Republic of Serbia yesterday to prevent clashes between Serbs and Moslems. The trouble started when Moslems blocked streets as a rally by Serbs broke up.

Storms are rumbling across much of the central United States today. Lightning and heavy rain hit over Boulder, Colorado. Storms also rolled over Wisconsin, Michigan, Missouri and Tennessee. Flood warnings are posted in Texas.

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A single-engine plane apparently trying to make an emergency landing crashed and burned last night in the middle of a tollway in Dallas. The pilot, Texas state Representative Sam Johnson, and his three passengers were injured.

Prince Norodom Sihanouk's son says the Cambodian rebel leader is taking a leave of absence and going to North Korea. That means Sihanouk will NOT take part in a National Council which will have a crucial role in Cambodia if a cease-fire is arranged.

Liberian President Samuel Doe is reported in the custody of one rebel group fighting to take control the African nation. Rebel leader Prince Johnson says Doe was shot and wounded in the capital of Monrovia yesterday and surrendered his leadership after he was captured.

Pizza Hut opened its first restaurant in China today. Curious Chinese gathered outside the pizzeria in Beijing. Few had any idea what pizza is. One problem for the restaurant is that Chinese people do NOT like cheese.

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#90253u0550 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - Massachusetts has suspended the licenses of 1,020

drivers with drug-related convictions in three months under a new state law, even if those convictions had nothing to do with automobiles, it was reported Monday.

Several other states have similar laws, but Massachusetts is apparently the first to enforce it, the Boston Herald reported.

The measure was approved last fall and went into effect three months ago, resulting in suspensions ranging from one to five years and catching a number of lawyers off guard.

State Registry of Motor Vehicles officials said they have received numerous calls from drivers and lawyers who did not realize the new law allows licenses to be suspended for any drug-related crime, even in the home.

''You don't have to be in your car,'' Registrar Robert Hutchinson said. ''You'll lose your license if you're caught in your home, in the ballpark, anywhere.''

He said it is estimated there will be from 50,000 to 100,000 drug- related convictions a year, and ''none of them are aware they're going to lose their license.''

''We anticipate a deluge this year,'' Registry spokeswoman Kathi Connelly said.

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#90253u0578 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - Charles Troy Coleman was put to death by lethal injection early this morning in Mcalester, Oklahoma. The 43-year-old convicted double murderer was the first person executed in Oklahoma in 24 years. The Supreme Court yesterday twice refused to consider appeals filed by Coleman's lawyer.

About 27 anti-abortion protesters in Pompano Beach, Florida, said they were just doing their laundry, but the explanation did NOT wash with authorities. Three people were were arrested Saturday at the Pompano Beach shopping center for harassing women entering a nearby clinic that offers abortion services.

The F-A-A says two small planes collided in flight near Alaska's Denali National Park during bad weather. A spokesman for the Alaska State Troopers says it's believed each plane carried one pilot and NO passengers. The accident occurred Saturday. Rescuers are approaching the wreckage on horseback because of rugged terrain.

Two Australians and an American have reached the summit of K-2, the world's second highest mountain located on the China-Pakistan border. A spokesman for the expedition says the climbers, including 36-year-old Steve Swenson of Seattle, carried NO radios and took a particularly long route up the 28-thousandfoot mountain.

Ellis Island shows off its new look today when it formally opens to the public following an eight-year, 160-Million-dollar restoration. The island will serve as a memorial to those Millions who passed through its doors on their way to a new life in America. The facility operated from 1892 to 1943.

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#90253u0621 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - Today is the unofficial deadline negotiators for the White House and Congress have set for agreeing on ways to cut the budget deficit. They started meetings Friday at Andrews Air Force Base near Washington. So far, little progress is reported. If the negotiators doN'T act, the Gramm-Rudman law will trigger automatic spending cuts of 106-BILLION dollars on October 1st. The negotiators want to bend the limits and cut only 50-BILLION dollars in the coming fiscal year... and a total of 500- BILLION over five years.

The Soviet Union's parliament- the Supreme Soviet- met today for its autumn session. The official Tass news agency says the session ''marks the end of the preparatory stage of perestroika.'' Lawmakers will debate steps for returning the Soviet Union to a market economy. Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov favors a step-by-step transition. A plan devised by a commission set up by President Mikhail Gorbachev calls for a faster end of centralized control of the economy.

President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev finished yesterday's summit in Finland with a stern warning to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. They threatened more pressure on Iraq if diplomatic means do NOT resolve the crisis in the Persian Gulf region. Gorbachev does NOT favor a military solution. Bush says- ''There is some difference, but NOT on the fundamental point'' of an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Thunderstorms rumbled into the South this morning. A roof was blown off a building near Chatsworth, Georgia. Flash flood watches were posted from Corpus Christi to Waco, Texas, following a series of thunderstorms. The West is hot. Tucson, Arizona, had a record 105 degrees yesterday. It the 99 in Los Angeles. Storms were common in the middle United States.

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#90253u0645 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - 400 teachers walked out this morning in Ypsilanti, Michigan, after the school board rejected a contract recommended by a fact-finder. Ypsilanti's school district has about 65-hundred students. The teachers join strikers on picket lines in four other Michigan school districts. Teachers in Cheboygan, Michigan, settled their strike. Classes resume tomorrow.

Four children were killed last night when a speeding utility truck slammed into a stopped pickup truck in Norwalk, California. Authorities quote witnesses as saying the utility truck was going 60 to 65 miles an hour. It carried nails and construction tools which were spilled over the road. The dead children ranged in age from two to 16. 10 other people were injured.

For the first time since World War Two, Vladivostock, the Soviet Union's main port on the Pacific coast, is a port of call for the U-S Navy. Two U-S warships arrived today- the cruiser U-S-S Princeton and the frigate U-S-S Reuben James. The two ships have 500 sailors.

Dozens of pilots who fought Nazi Germans in the skies over southern England are gathered for the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Britain. Winston Churchill said of the Royal Air Force pilots- ''NEVER in the course of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few.'' 30 Americans who were in the R-A-F are at the reunion. The anniversary climaxes Saturday with a fly-over of Buckingham Palace.

School opened today for eight-year-old Prince William, the future king of England, at Ludgrove School 15 miles west of London. William is the son of Prince Charles and Princess Diana. At school, he will be guarded around the clock by 18 police officers. As a first-year student, young William will be referred to as a ''squit.''

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#90253u0646 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - The domestic rig count increased last week, while offshore drilling declined slightly, industry monitors reported.

Baker Hughes Inc. said Sunday a total of 1,039 rotary rigs were working last week, compared with 1,012 the previous week and 950 the same week a year ago.

Drilling activity declined in the Gulf of Mexico and European waters last week, but picked up in other offshore areas, Offshore Data Services reported.

In the gulf, 144 of the fleet of 213 rigs were working, compared with 146 the week before. Last week's utilization rate was 67.6 percent.

In European waters and the Mediterranean Sea, one fewer rig was working last week. But the utilization rate remained virtually unchanged at 94.8 percent because one rig left the Mediterranean for Southeast Asia, ODS said.

There was a gain of four rigs under contract elsewhere, resulting in a net gain of one rig under contract worldwide, compared with the week before. Last week, 550 of the world's 668 mobile offshore drilling rigs were working, for an 82.3 percent utilization rate.

Other relevant rig counts included Louisiana, 146 last week, 143 the week before and 136 the same week a year ago; New Mexico, 48, 43 and 28; Oklahoma, 122, 120 and 136; Texas, 349, 338 and 295; and Canada, 97, 104 and 93.

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#90253u0647 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold & silver prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close	387.00 off 2.75
Morning fixing	382.50 off 4.50
Hong Kong	384.75 off 4.20
New York	
Comex spot gold open	382.50 off 7.00
Comex spot silver open	4.75 off 0.05

(London morning fixing change is based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90253u0654 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 10) UPI - Engineers replaced leaking fuel pumps aboard the shuttle Columbia over the weekend, with NASA managers optimistic the ship will be ready for another takeoff try around Sept. 17 to finally end a four-month launch drought.

At nearby launch pad 39B, meanwhile, engineers were readying the shuttle Discovery for blastoff on a higher-priority $750 million mission around Oct. 5 to carry the European-built Ulysses probe into space for a five-year voyage to the sun.

Ulysses was loaded into Discovery's cargo bay Saturday, and the ship's five-man crew flew to the Kennedy Space Center from Houston Sunday to review emergency procedures and participate in a practice countdown.

The mock countdown, a traditional test to make sure the launch team is ready for the real thing, began at 8 a.m. EDT Monday. It is scheduled to end Tuesday with the simulated ignition of Discovery's three main engines.

''This is a milestone for us in getting ready for (launch),'' commander Richard ''Dick'' Richards told reporters Sunday. ''We've still got some hurdles in front of us over these next three weeks, but all of us are confident that next October, we're finally going to get Ulysses down the road on its five-year journey to the sun.''

Richards, 44, co-pilot Robert Cabana, 41, Bruce Melnick, 40, William Shepherd, 41, and Thomas Akers, 39, plan to climb aboard Discovery Tuesday for the final hours of the mock countdown.

Discovery's launch processing is running about two days behind schedule with engineers continuing to assess the potential impact of a slow Freon leak in one of the shuttle's two cooling systems.

NASA spokesman Bruce Buckingham said it appears Discovery can fly as is, although additional inspections will be required before the issue is resolved once and for all.

''It looks like we're not going to have to replace any of the (Freon) lines and with the current (leak) rate, we're probably going to be able to fly as is,'' Buckingham said.

As for Columbia, engineers worked to remove and replace a package of three hydrogen recirculation pumps in the shuttle's cramped engine room that was blamed for a fuel leak that grounded the ship last week.

Engineers removed insulating foam from around the pumps Saturday and worked Sunday to remove the entire package. With the repair work on schedule at pad 39A, NASA managers could set a new launch date as early as Monday.

''We're very confident we can meet the early part of the week of the 17th '' Buckingham said.

Columbia's seven-man crew originally was scheduled for blastoff May 30, but the shuttle was grounded the night before liftoff by a hydrogen fuel leak.

A second launch attempt Sept. 1 was canceled because of trouble with an on-board telescope, and a third try Sept. 6 was scuttled by yet another hydrogen leak.

The leak in May was blamed on damaged seals inside a 17-inch-wide fuel

line fitting. A similar leak grounded the shuttle Atlantis in July. But engineers now believe two leaks were present in May and that only one of them, the one involving the 17-inch fuel line fitting, was fixed.

It appears the leak last week came from the recirculation pumps, which are used to keep supercold liquid hydrogen circulating through the shuttle's engines before liftoff. Replacing the pumps should fix the problem, officials say.

Assuming no other glitches crop up, Columbia could be ready for the start of yet another launch countdown as early as Friday at 1 a.m. EDT for a launch attempt around 1:30 a.m. Sept. 17.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - Weather around the U.S.A.

City	&	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	pc	90	66	....	
Anchorage	sh	56	52	.53	
Asheville	pc	80	65	....	
Atlanta	pc	89	74	....	
Baltimore	pc	73	68	....	
Billings	sy	85	55	....	
Birmingham	pc	99	71	....	
Bismarck	f	80	49	....	
Boston	cy	67	63	.16	
Brownsville	ts	94	75	....	
Buffalo	pc	62	55	.10	
Burlington Vt.	pc	69	53	.07	
Charleston S.C.	sy	85	80	....	
Charlotte	pc	83	71	....	
Chicago	ts	83	65	....	
Cincinnati	pc	81	62	.45	
Cleveland	pc	74	57	.04	
Columbus Ohio	pc	78	57	1.01	
Dallas	cy	81	70	....	
Denver	pc	88	60	....	
Des Moines	sy	86	66	....	
Detroit	pc	80	63	....	
Duluth	pc	76	47	.71	
El Paso	sy	94	68	....	
Evansville	pc	85	67	....	
Fargo	f	82	50	....	
Hartford	sh	70	61	.15	
Honolulu	sy	87	75	.25	
Houston	ts	91	71	.02	
Indianapolis	pc	83	65	....	

Jackson Miss. pc	94	70	1.51
Jacksonville pc	97	71	....
Kansas City pc	92	66	....
Las Vegas sy	107	76	....
Little Rock ts	91	72	....
Los Angeles f	91	65	....
Louisville pc	85	69	....
Memphis pc	92	74	....
Miami Beach pc	87	82	....
Milwaukee pc	83	66	....
Minneapolis pc	84	60	....
Nashville pc	91	68	....
New Orleans ts	92	71	.45
New York pc	71	64	.05
Oklahoma City sy	92	66	....
Omaha pc	91	59	.02
Orlando pc	95	72	....
Philadelphia pc	72	66	....
Phoenix sy	110	85	....
Pittsburgh pc	74	55	.30
Portland Me. cy	65	59	.10
Portland Ore. sy	79	58	....
Providence sh	72	64	....
Richmond pc	80	71	....
St. Louis pc	87	72	....
Salt Lake City f	95	61	....
San Antonio ts	94	68	1.05
San Diego f	84	68	....
San Francisco pc	82	55	....
San Juan sy	92	77	.02
Seattle sy	72	52	....
Spokane sy	86	58	....
Tampa pc	93	76	....
Washington pc	73	71	....
Wichita hot	99	68	....

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

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#90253u0801 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 7: Purchases of 344,405 shares and sales of 417,462 shares including 30,909 shares sold short.

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#90253u0802 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
KARACHI, PAKISTAN (SEPT. 10) UPI - Government officials lodged two complaints of official misconduct in a special court Monday in a bid to bar ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto from participating in Pakistan's October elections.

Officials filed the cases on behalf of President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, who fired Bhutto on Aug. 6, accusing her administration of corruption and nepotism. Khan also dissolved the government and dismissed the National Assembly, calling for new elections Oct. 24.

After taking the action against the government, the president established several special courts to hear cases of corruption and misuse of power against Bhutto, her cabinet members and other former legislators.

The two cases lodged Monday were the first against Bhutto in the special courts. The cases accused Bhutto of official misconduct in the hiring of a consultant to administer a government bank loan and the awarding of a contract for cotton export.

Bhutto has repeatedly denied any wrongdoing and has charged that the president's decision to dismiss her government was illegal and unconstitutional. She has launched legal action to challenge the constitionality of the special courts established by Khan.

If found guilty of the misconduct charges, she could be barred from participating in politics for seven years. The cases are to be heard by Justice Wajihuddin Ahmed and will be conducted in an open and public court.

Bhutto, 37, became the first female prime minister of a Moslem country when her Pakistan People's Party came to power following the November 1988 elections, the first democratic voting in Pakistan in 11 years.

Before she was dismissed, Bhutto had been criticized for failing to control the growing ethnic violence in southern Sind Province, sparking tensions between her government and the army. She also had been criticized for corruption by her administration and family.

The president appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi as caretaker prime minister.

Pakistan has been under military rule for most of its 43-year existence. Bhutto's election came after Gen. Mohammed Zia ul-Haq, the country's president, died in a mysterious plane crash in August 1988. Zia had ruled since his 1977 coup ousted Bhutto's father, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, as prime minister.

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#90253u0805 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - After-tax profits of American manufacturers averaged 4.7 cents per dollar of sales in the second quarter of 1990, up 0.5 cents from the first quarter of the year, the Commerce Department said Monday.

The figures were adjusted for seasonal factors.

After-tax profits in April, May and June totaled $32.6 billion, up $4.1 billion, or 14.2 percent, over January, February and March, according to the quarterly data compiled by the department's Census Bureau.

After-tax profits for the manufacturers of durable goods advanced $3.9 billion - or 33.6 percent - in the second quarter over the first quarter of the year, the Commerce Department said.

''Stone, clay, and glass, instruments and other durables were up sharply from last quarter,'' the report said. ''Primary metals increased by 30 percent; machinery and transportation were up over 20 percent.''

But the manufacturers of electrical equipment reported their after- tax profits were flat in April, May and June.

For the manufacturers of non-durable goods, after-tax profits were up $3.3 billion, or 20.8 percent, in the second quarter over the first quarter, the department reported.

''All the underlying categories showed increases except petroleum,'' the report said. ''Food and chemicals contributed chiefly to the upturn; textiles and rubber also improved significantly over last quarter.''

The Commerce Department also reported that manufacturers' sales in the second quarter of 1990 stood at $689.5 billion, up $5.9 billion, or 0.9 percent, from the first quarter of the year.

In addition, the government said that the annual rate of return on stockholders' equity for American manufacturing corporations, after taxes, climbed to 13.5 percent in the second quarter from 10.8 percent in the first quarter.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - The official Islamic Republic News Agency reports Iraq and Iran have agreed to resume diplomatic ties that were broken by an eight-year war. The report, monitored in Athens, says the two neighbors will reopen their embassies. The announcement follows a one-day visit by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Azis to Iran that included meetings with Iranian President Hashemi-Rafsanjani.

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Oklahoma has executed its first convict in 24 years, and its first to die by lethal injection. Convicted double murderer Charles Troy Coleman asked that several bible verses be read before the injection began. His lawyers filed more than 20 unsuccessful bids in five courts to overturn his sentence in a 1979 killing.

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JAKARTA, INDONESIA (SEPT. 10) UPI - Cambodian resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk informed organizers of the peace talks Monday he is taking a six-month leave of absence for health reasons and will not become a member of a U.N.-sanctioned organization embodying the sovereignity of his homeland.

''I support the resolutions and decisions concerning Cambodia which shall be taken by all the participants,'' Sihanouk added in a statement.

Sihanouk, who reportedly had a heated argument with Chinese Premier Li Peng over his refusal to attend the crucial Jakarta session, also plans to leave Beijing for a trip to the North Korean capital of Pyongyang, said Prince Norodom Ranariddh, Sihanouk's son and representative at the meeting.

While the mercurial Sihanouk's announcement initially jolted the delegates from the warring factions, they said they had reached an agreement that could pave the way to an end of the 11-year-old Cambodian conflict.

Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen and the three parties in Sihanouk's faction all endorsed the formation of a Supreme National Council to hold Cambodia's seat in the United Nations prior to free elections.

They also supported equal representation of six each between the resistance coalition and the Phnom Penh government, plus an option for an elected chairman as the 13th member.

Previously, the resistance designated five seats for Phnom Penh and five for each of Sihanouk's parties, a formula rejected by Hun Sen.

''Everything is going smoothly now,'' said former Cambodian Prime Minister Son Sann, head of the other non-communist faction in Sihanouk's coalition. ''I think we will have a good outcome.''

''We are all satisfied,'' said Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Sampan. ''We are approaching peace.''

Formation of the council has assumed particular urgency with the U.N. General Assembly opening Sept. 18. The council is an essential part of the plan approved by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council last month and would embody Cambodia's sovereignity after a cease-fire.

Worked out by the United States, Britain, China, France and the Soviet Union, the plan includes provisions for separation and disarmament of all forces in Cambodia and a major U.N. supervisory role in running the country until free elections are held.

Formal approval of the council would represent the first major breakthrough in two years of unsuccessful peace talks on Cambodia, including three held in Jakarta and an international conference in Paris last year.

''My father refuses to be a member or president of the Supreme National Council,'' Ranariddh said.

Citing poor health for his sudden leave of absence, Sihanouk, a former Cambodian ruler, said Ranariddh would take his place and confer with foreign diplomats, ambassadors and others wishing to discuss Cambodia.

Long known as the ''mercurial prince'' for his rapid reversals of position, frequent resignations and leaves of absence, Sihanouk has often resorted to seemingly flighty switches as part of a tactical game meant to maintain his influence.

Son Sann and Khieu Samphan both said they hoped Sihanouk would reconsider and be available to become chairman of the council.

But Ranariddh insisted his father ''refuses to be a member or chairman.'' Armed with three messages from Sihanouk, Ranariddh said he ''expressed his great sadness'' to Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas and Edwige Avice French deputy foreign minister, co-hosts of the talks.

A senior diplomatic source said Sihanouk had an argument with Li Peng over his refusal to attend the talks. The prince announced Saturday he was too ill with kidney stones to fly to Jakarta, sparking skepticism from Hun Sen who arrived on the condition Sihanouk would participate.

Sihanouk's coalition has been battling the Hanoi-backed regime in Phnom Penh since 1979. The United States provides aid to the non-communist parties, but the China-armed Khmer Rouge is militarily the strongist.

The Khmer Rouge is blamed for the deaths of 1 million Cambodians during their four-year rule prior to the Vietnamese invasion in 1978. Fears of the regime's possible return to political power prompted the United States in July to withdraw recognition of the resistance coalition at the United Nations.

Sihanouk's factions and Hun Sen have all accepted the U.N. plan as the framework for a settlement of the civil war.

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#90253u0873 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

BAGHDAD, Iraq - Iraq says President Bush's statements after the Helsinki superpower summit display his hatred for Arabs, but refrained from attacking erstwhile ally Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev. Bush's ''statements displayed his hatred for the Arab nation, because Bush ignored the crisis of the Palestinian people who are suffering under the Zionist nightmare,'' the official Iraqi News Agency quoted a government spokesman in Baghdad as saying.

LONDON - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said in her first public comment

on the Helsinki summit: ''I think it's very good for the world to know that the two great powers, the United States and the Soviet Union, are absolutely at one in saying that what the U.N. said should be done (about an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait), will be done.''

CHARLESTON, S.C. - A charter flight arrived Sunday night carrying about 300 former hostages from occupied Kuwait via Iraq and Jordan. They sang ''God Bless America'' after landing on U.S. soil. Another flight with about 165 freed American women and children was expected to arrive at Baltimore Washington International Airport Monday afternoon.

CAIRO, Egypt - A radical Iranian daily is urging world Moslems to rise up against what it described as the dispatch of some 10,000 Egyptian women to entertain U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia. But an Egyptian spokesman described the report as ''nonsense.'' The Iranian daily Jomhuri Eslami cited no source or evidence for its allegations in Monday's editions.

BAGHDAD, Iraq - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz flew home from Iran Monday after winning agreement on a restoration of diplomatic relations between the two adversaries in the 1980-1988 Persian Gulf War. Although Aziz received a formal welcome in Tehran, Iranian authorities refused to fly the Iraqi flag and continued to insist that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait.

TOKYO - British Secretary of State Douglas Hurd joined a growing chorus of Western leaders asking Japan to give more than the $1 billion it has already pledged to support the multinational opposition to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

BRUSSELS, Belgium - NATO foreign ministers gathered Monday for a briefing on the Helsinki superpower summit by Secretary of State James Baker and to further coordinate Persian Gulf strategy.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $384.40, silver base of $4.78 and platinum price of $470.50:

	Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$400.20	402.40
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	205.30	206.40
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.40	106.00
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.60	43.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	400.20	402.40
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	205.30	206.40

Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.90	106.50
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.60	43.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	406.70	408.90
China Panda .50 troy oz.	209.50	210.70
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.70	109.30
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.90	47.20
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.00	28.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	400.30	402.50
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	204.10	205.70
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.30	103.90
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.50	44.70
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	398.80	401.00
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	207.40	207.50
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.90	106.50
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.10	45.30
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	399.10	400.90
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	205.20	206.10
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.00	87.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.60	45.80
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.20	23.30
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.19	$6.16
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,480	$3,460
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,500	$1,500
Platinum		
Australian Koala	494.00	500.00
Isle of Man Noble	483.00	488.00
Canada Maple Leaf	500.00	505.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90253u0915 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - President Bush is back in the White House after yesterday's day- long superpower summit in Finland and he's voiced his pleasure with what went on. Bush says his meeting with Soviet President Gorbachev helped to solidify international pressure on Iraq's Sadam Hussein.

Iran and Iraq have agreed to resume diplomatic relations broken when they

went to war against each other in 1980. It is NOT known what that means when it comes to the embargo against Iraq. The move comes as Iraq executes more of its citizens as food horders.

Government officials in Pakistan are trying to keep ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto from taking part in elections scheduled for October. Bhutto was dismissed August 6th and two complaints of official misconduct now have been filed. Bhutto repeatedly has denied any wrongdoing.

Secretary of State Baker today indicated the landmark U-S-Soviet agreement on troop levels in Europe already is outdated. Baker said after a meeting of NATO foreign ministers in Brussels that the accord allowing 225-thousand U-S troops and 195-thousand Soviet troops was rendered obsolete by Moscow's agreement in July to withdraw all its troops from East Germany within four years.

In Moscow, the Soviet Parliament reconvened today for its fall session. The Supreme Soviet faces the difficult task of implementing practical steps to move toward a market economy. At the same time, lawmakers must deal with widespread unrest and staggering shortages of everything from bread to tobacco.

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board has denied a parole petition for convicted mass murderer Richard Speck, convicted 24 years ago of stabbing eight students nurses to death. Board spokesman Joe Volpe says the petition was denied without comment today and the case was continued until 1993.

The place where Millions of people first stepped onto American shores opened to the public today as a memorial museum to America's immigrant experience. Tourists traveled by ferry to Ellis Island in New York Harbor today to visit the restored main immigration building which operated from 1892 to 1954 as the gateway of dreams for 17-Million people.

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#90253u0928 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Ellis Island, where millions first stepped onto American shores, opened to the public Monday with a few hundred tourists claiming the honor of being the first visitors to the memorial to America's immigrant experience.

The early birds traveled by ferry to the three-acre island in New York Harbor to visit the restored main immigration building which operated from 1892 to 1954 as the gateway for families of an estimated 140 million Americans.

The fare was $6 for adults, $3 for children, more than many original

immigrants arrived with.

Although the 9 a.m. ferry was only about one-third filled with passengers, the number of visitors was expected to increase as the day progressed under increasingly sunny skies. The admission-free museum, the gateway of dreams for 17 million people, opens at 9:30 a.m. daily.

The first visitors entered the red brick, copper domed masterpiece of beaux-arts architecture through the baggage room, just as immigrants did, and climbed to the Registry Room stairs that doctors used to spot asthmatics, heart patients and other who were physically impaired.

From there, they visited waiting rooms with original grafiti on the walls, the Special Inquiry Room where rejected immigrants pleaded their cases, a dormitory with three-tier iron pipe bunks for immigrants who were held overnight, and a departure room with access to trains going west.

America's newest citizens and a handful of its oldest immigrants dedicated the museum, located in New York Harbor near the New Jersey shoreline and adjacent to the Statue of Liberty, on Sunday - eight years and $160 million after restoration began.

Six elderly immigrants, representative of the 12 million hopefuls who got their first glimpse of America at Ellis Island, sat alongside Vice President Dan Quayle to reopen the island and dedicate its new museum.

Irish-born Johanna Flaherty, who emigrated in 1923 at age 16, chatted with Quayle as the U.S. Army Band and Herald Trumpets played and stood proudly - wearing a green corsage - when her name was called in honor of her trek to begin a new life in America.

The white-haired Queens, N.Y., resident, now 84, said she fled her country to escape farm life.

''It's really very good to see the place,'' Flaherty said. ''It was the start of my life. It's marvelous.''

Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia led 46 adults and three children in the oath of citizenship.

''I'm very proud and happy to be an American citizen,'' said Jorge Luis Cedeno, 31, of the Bronx. ''It's quite a compliment to be here for this special occasion. It makes this day unforgettable.''

Quayle - substituting for President Bush, who canceled a long- planned appearance to meet Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in Helsinki - recalled the impact of immigration on the nation.

''I wish every one of today's Americans could make a pilgrimage here,'' Quayle said. ''We all need to feel the extraordinary human drama that still pulses within these walls.

''What we celebrate in Ellis Island is nothing more than the triumph of the American spirit,'' the vice president said. ''We must hold in our hearts and memories our immigrant ancestors.''

Automotive executive Lee Iaccoca, who created the Statue of Liberty-Ellis Foundation that raised the $160 million used in the eight- year restoration of the island's main building, said Americans sacrificed to create the monument to the immigrants who have already paid a price for the country's freedom.

''This is a very special moment for me. I happen to be standing on the very piece of land that my mother and father first set foot on,'' Iaccoca said.

Americans, said Iaccoca, feel an emotional bond with the place where many of their ancestors first touched this country's soil.

''Thousands of different names, thousands of different stories, but stick them all together and you have one huge saga. And it's our saga,'' he said.

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#90253u0937 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 10) UPI - The number of AIDS cases in 18 countries in the western Pacific has nearly doubled over the past year, the World Health Organization reported Monday.

Australia, Japan and New Zealand accounted for most of the reported cases of people afflicted with the acquired immune deficiency syndrome, said the report released at the annual WHO regional conference in Manila.

As of July 1, the WHO said 2,406 aids cases were reported in the region, up 46 percent from 1,650 a year ago.

The highest number of cases - 93 percent - were reported in Australia, Japan and New Zealand.

In the other 15 countries covered by the WHO regional headquarters, the number of cases increased to 160 this year from 89 over the past year, the report said.

''This indicates that the AIDS pandemic is spreading in the region,'' said the report. It added that as reporting about the disease improves, more cases are likely to be discovered.

Australian AIDS cases accounted for 77 percent of the total, and 55 percent of those victims died, the report said.

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#90253u0964 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (SEPT. 10) UPI - The Soviet Parliament reconvened Monday for its fall session, facing the difficult task of implementing practical steps to move toward a market economy while dealing with staggering shortages and widespread unrest.

''In effect, the session marks the end of the preparatory stage of perestroika, which resulted in the disintegration of the old political and economic system,'' the official Tass news agency said.

Monday's meeting of the Supreme Soviet, or Parliament, was devoted to a report by its chairman Anatoly Lukyanov and the consideration of an agenda that included 31 bills.

''We have entered a stage of serious tests,'' Lukyanov said. ''Sharp polemics are under way as to further ways of development of our state.''

The first controversy arose when Leningrad Mayor Anatoly Sobchak, a leader of the so-called inter-regional group of radical deputies, proposed an alternative agenda while saying the official agenda was full of secondary items.

Sobchak called for the resignation of Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov and demanded President Mikhail Gorbachev address Parliament on the state of the country.

''Today we have absolutely no right to leave in office a government that has proved incapable of pulling the country out of crisis,'' Sobchak said.

Preliminary debate on proposals for a move to a market economy was not expected until Tuesday, when Ryzhkov's government was to make its report on the transition to a market and urgent measures needed to stabilize the economy.

During its spring session, the Supreme Soviet rejected the government's previous proposal for ''transition to a regulated market'' and ordered it revised.

Ryzhkov favors a step-by-step transition to some sort of market economy. His revised plan is still conservative and envisages much continued central control, a stand that has led to numerous calls for his resignation.

A rival blueprint for the move to a market economy, developed by economist Stanislav Shatalin and a commission set up by President Mikhail Gorbachev and Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin, calls for much more radical reforms to quickly privatize property and decentralize control.

Although Gorbachev, Yeltsin and other officials have said only one plan should be presented to Parliament, the two proposals had major differences and it was not clear what would finally be presented to the Supreme Soviet.

Ryzhkov told the independent Interfax news agency he would present his plan to Parliament and probably include ''analysis of some articles of the program worked out by Shatalin's group.'' He said he did not know if anyone would present the entire Shatalin program.

Shatalin told Interfax he did not know if his plan would be discussed by Parliament at all, although he was ready to present it if asked.

The Supreme Soviet convened after a summer of shortages of everything from bread to tobacco, and long lines at shops - common in the Soviet Union for years - have recently spawned consumer protests and even riots.

Inter-ethnic clashes and worker unrest have cut production and despite food shortages, much of a record crop is likely to be wasted because of problems with harvesting and transport including fuel shortages.

The country is behind on payments of foreign debt and Moscow has recently been selling hundreds of tons of gold to earn desperatly needed hard currency to pay for even more desperately needed imports.

Besides the economy, the Parliament must consider the idea of a new ''union treaty'' on links between the central government and the 15 Soviet republics, which have nearly all declared independence or sovereignty in the last six months.

Also on the agenda is a bill on freedom of emigration linked by the United States to better economic ties, as well as new laws on military reforms and freedom of conscience.

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#90253u0976 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Following are mid-morning prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	55 5-8	up 3-8
AT&T Co	31 1-4	up 1-8
BCE Inc	x30 7-8	up 1-4
Bell Atlantic	43 3-8	up 1-2

BellSouth Corp	50	1-4	up 1-2
Exxon Corp	51		up 1-8
Ford Motor Co	35	3-8	up 1-4
Genl Electric	61	5-8	up 1
General Motors	38		up 3-8
GTE Corp	26	1-8	up 1-4
IBM Corp	106	7-8	up 1 3-8
Mobil Oil Corp	66	3-8	off 1-8
Nynex Corp	70	1-2	up 1-2
Pac Gas & Elec	21	5-8	up 1-4
Pacific Telesis	40	3-8	up 1-8
Phila Electric	15	1-4	unch
Sears Roebuck	28	7-8	up 1-8
Southern Co	24		up 1-8
Sthwestern Bell	48	7-8	up 5-8
US West Inc	35	3-8	up 1-8

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#90253u0993 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (SEPT. 10) UPI - The landmark U.S.-Soviet agreement on troop levels in Europe has been ''overtaken by events'' and should be re-examined, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said Monday.

The pact allowing 225,000 U.S. troops and 195,000 Soviet troops was rendered obsolete by the Soviet Union's agreement in July to withdraw all its troops from East Germany within four years, Baker said after a meeting of NATO foreign ministers.

The U.S. and Soviet troop levels, to be incorporated into the Conventional Forces in Europe (CFE) talks in Vienna, were agreed to in February at the Open Skies conference in Ottawa.

''The understandings that were reached in Ottawa have been overtaken by events,'' Baker said. ''So the question of the overall levels of U.S. forces is one that is very much in the air.''

He said he would likely discuss U.S. and Soviet troop levels in Moscow, where he was slated to arrive late Monday after his visit in Brussels.

Baker's comments followed a report that the chief Soviet CFE negotiator told U.S. negotiators that U.S. troop levels should be reduced to between 70,000 and 80,000, due to the slated withdrawal of Soviet forces from Eastern Europe.

The United States now has about 305,000 troops in Europe.

The Soviets agreed to withdraw their troops within four years in July 16 talks between Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl in the Soviet Caucasus Mountains. The agreement, which allows a united Germany to remain in NATO, also calls for a limit of 370,000 troops in a united Germany within four years.

An overall CFE agreement is sought in time for a Nov. 17 summit, in Paris, of the 35-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe. That conference includes all of Europe except Albania, plus the United States and Canada.

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#90253u0995 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Sept. 10:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	62	17
Amsterdam r	1pm	61	16
Ankara pc	3pm	76	24
Athens c	2pm	84	29
Auckland c	12a	43	06
Beijing c	8pm	72	22
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin pc	1pm	61	16
Bonn r	1pm	60	15
Brussels cy	1pm	57	14
Cairo c	2pm	90	32
Casablanca cy	12n	76	24
Copenhagen cy	1pm	60	16
Dakar pc	12n	88	31
Dublin pc	1pm	65	18
Geneva c	1pm	65	18
Helsinki c	2pm	59	15
Hong Kong r	8pm	77	25
Jerusalem c	2pm	79	26
Karachi pc	5pm	87	31
Lisbon c	1pm	76	25
London cy	1pm	63	17
Madrid pc	1pm	76	24
Malta pc	1pm	83	28
Manila pc	8pm	mm	mm
Moscow cy	3pm	63	17
Nairobi pc	3pm	56	14
Nassau pc	7am	82	28

New Delhi c	6pm	90	32
Nice c	1pm	77	25
Oslo cy	1pm	57	14
Paris pc	1pm	68	20
Pretoria c	2pm	76	24
Riyadh m	3pm	107	42
Rome c	1pm	79	26
Seoul r	9pm	71	22
Sofia c	2pm	70	21
Stockholm dzl	1pm	55	13
Sydney c	10pm	55	13
Taipei cy	8pm	80	27
Tokyo c	9pm	80	27
Tunis c	1pm	99	37
Vienna r	1pm	60	16
Warsaw cy	1pm	58	15

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	63	17
Caracas pc	8am	70	21
Havana m	7am	mm	mm
Lima cy	7am	59	15
Mexico City hz	6am	54	12
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	71	22
Santiago fy	8am	52	11

Canada

Calgary f		45	07
Edmonton		-	-
Montreal cy		57	14
Ottawa cy		55	13
Regina pc		48	09
Toronto hz		64	18
Vancouver		-	-
Winnipeg hz		57	14

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90253u1016 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (SEPT. 10) UPI - Tropical Storm Isidore rejuvenated in the mid-Atlantic, approaching hurricane strength again Monday but staying well away from land.

At 6 a.m. EDT, Isidore was centered near latitude 29.5 north, longitude 45.7 west, or about 1,070 miles southwest of the westernmost Azores.

Isidore was moving northwest at a laggardly 6 mph and was expected to continue that motion for the next 24 hours.

Its maximum sustained winds were near 70 mph, just 4 mph shy of hurricane strength. Forecasters said little change in strength was likely Monday.

Tropical storm-force winds extended up to 175 miles from the center.

Isidore was downgraded from a hurricane to a tropical storm Saturday when winds in the upper atmosphere sheared off the top of the system, causing its circulating winds to diminish.

It gradually regained strength Sunday and Monday as it slowed its forward trek through the open Atlantic.

Isidore, the ninth named storm of the Atlantic-Caribean hurricane season, was born from a tropical wave Sept. 5. Its strength has waxed and waned, but it has posed little threat except to marine interests.

The hurricane season runs from June 1 to Nov. 30, peaking in September.

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#90253u1017 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

MONTGOMERY, LA (SEPT. 10) UPI - A man who killed four family members and wounded three other people apparently was angry over the recent marriage of his sister, investigators said.

Thomas Silman, 41, surrendered to police Sunday after shooting and killing his father, his uncle, his sister and her husband.

Two police officers and a neighbor also were wounded by shotgun blasts.

Investigators said Silman warned his sister Carolyn, 33, he would kill her and James Lewis, 40, if they married. He opposed the marriage because he believed their two families were related.

As the newlywed couple drove up to the Silman home, Thomas Silman walked out with a shotgun and shot Lewis, witnesses said. His sister struggled with him and he shot her, the witnesses said.

Silman then went back inside where he allegedly shot and killed his father Thomas Silman, 80, and an uncle, Kermit Allen, 67.

Silman's mother escaped through a back door, witnesses said.

Also wounded in the shooting spree were Montgomery Police Officer Dan Fletcher, who was the first law enforcement officer on the scene, and Grant Parish Sheriff's Deputy John Rollins. Fletcher was in stable condition and Rollins in good condition following the shootings.

A neighbor, Frances Dalhme, also was treated and released for wounds she apparently suffered in the shooting.

When more police arrived, Silman allegedly was firing at random through broken windows. A short time later, he surrendered to authorities.

''He was as cool as a cucumber when he came out,'' said an unidentified deputy. ''He wanted to know what all the fracas was about.''

Neighbors described Silman as a quiet man.

''He has never been violent,'' said a neighbor. ''He never raised his voice to anyone and he didn't drink.''

Authorities in the northwest Louisiana community found a .20-gauge pump shotgun and a .22-caliber rifle in Silman's home following the shooting.

Silman was booked on four counts of first-degree murder and six counts of attempted first-degree murder.

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WARSAW, POLAND (SEPT. 10) UPI - Poland is considering purchase of American F-16 or French Mirage 2000 jet fighters because Moscow hiked prices for its aviation equipment and is reluctant to sell it, military sources confirmed Monday.

The youth newspaper Sztandar Mlodych said the Kremlin has turned a cold shoulder to Polish military negotiators who recently conducted talks on the purchase of Soviet MiG-29 jet fighters, one of the most technologically advanced planes made by the Russians.

''The military experts are considering such a (purchase) possibility,'' a Defense Ministry source said when asked about the possibility of purchasing F-16s or Mirage 2000s.

''Preliminary indications are there would be advantages if it happened,'' said the source, who requested anonymity.

The expert said Moscow requested payments for their MiGs in American dollars. It initially offered them for $24 million apiece, and later lowered the price to $18 million, but nevertheless appeared reluctant to sell them.

''The Polish team which conducted talks in Moscow on the purchase of some MiG-29s got an extremely cool reception and encountered a lot of troubles '' the newspaper said. ''So far it is not sure if more planes of this kind will be delivered to Poland.''

Another military expert contacted by UPI said the unification of Germany prompted the Soviets to cut the price of their planes. He said former East German Communist Party leader Erich Hoenecker concluded a contract with the Kremlin on the purchase of several dozen MiG-29s and now Bonn refuses to take them.

''Now Moscow is trying to sell them to some other East Bloc countries.'' the expert said.

According to the military source, former communist Poland was not as well equipped with the Soviet planes as the other East Bloc countries.

The country has a long tradition of aviation and Polish pilots have been described by British commanders as among the best pilots during the Battle of Britain against the Nazis in 1940.

The military source said the shape of the Polish air force is ''deplorable'' because Moscow never trusted Poland and preferred selling its more advanced planes to Hungary, Czechoslovakia or East Germany.

''Poland has about 14 Mig-29 planes only and the others are old- fashioned types of MiGs,'' the expert said, adding some were of the vintage of ''the time of the Vietnamese war.''

The expert said F-16s and Mirage 2000s are comparable with the MiG- 29 but ''they have better avionics'' (electronic equipment).

He said American and French planes are steered by computers while the Soviet ones have conventional systems.

The expert said the Polish army is being reduced and modernized and more sophisticated weapons will be preferred by Polish commanders.

''The first studies indicate that it would be better to have the Western weapons.'' he said. ''Polish pilots also dream about flying better planes

than the Soviet ones.''

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#90253u1050 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
JOLIET, IL (SEPT. 10) UPI - The Illinois Prisoner Review Board Monday denied a parole petition for Richard Speck, convicted of the stabbing and strangling 24 years ago of eight student nurses - a case prosecutors said ''shocked and dismayed the world.''

Board spokesman Joe Volpe said the petition was denied without comment and the case continued until September 1993.

Speck's parole petition drew more than 21,000 letters of protest.

In a hearing before the board last week, a classmate and relatives of the nurses killed July 13, 1966, by Speck pleaded with with the board to keep the killer in prison.

''We were all very close,'' said classmate Bernadette Keliher. ''When we found our classmates were murdered, we shared the grief and we shared the guilt of surviving.''

Speck, originally sentenced to death and now serving eight consecutive prison terms of 50 to 150 years, did not attend the hearing. He also skipped his last hearing three years ago.

''The pain and anguish caused by this man is more than I can ''

Cook County State's Attorney Cecil Partee also objected to the latest parole request.

''The murders of these eight student nurses shocked and dismayed the world '' Partee said. ''I will fight the parole of Richard Speck on behalf of the families of the victims and the people of Cook County.''

Illinois parole officials, in past requests, never have indicated they are close to granting Speck's freedom. Relatives of the victims have expressed doubt Speck would be safe outside prison walls - even almost a quarter-century after his crimes.

Speck forced his way into a South Side townhome being used as a residence by student nurses from South Chicago Community Hospital. He bound the young women with strips torn from a sheet and he stabbed and strangled eight of them during the course of several hours.

One resident of the townhouse, however, managed to survive.

Corizon Amurao rolled under a bed and hid. Speck apparently lost count of his victims and left the apartment not knowing Amurao had escaped his deadly attack.

Speck was found July 17 in a skid row flophouse on Chicago's near West Side and arrested when a doctor treating a cut on his arm recognized him.

His trial was moved to Peoria and delayed for eight months because of the extensive publicity surrounding the killings. He was convicted and sentenced to death - a sentence that was nullified when the U.S. Supreme Court declared most of state death penalty laws unconstitutional.

Speck was resentenced June 5, 1967.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
OMITTED				
Dylex Ltd				
STOCK				
Virco Mfg	..	10PC	10-1	9-17
USUAL				
Belden & Blake	Q	.05	10-19	9-28
Cape Cod Bank & Tr	Q	.38	10-19	10-5
Fed Home Ln Mfg	Q	.40	9-28	9-18
First State Fincl Svcs	..	.05	9-28	9-18
L&N Housing Corp	Q	.26	9-28	9-17
Methode Elect cl-A	Q	.018	10-31	10-15
Methode Elect cl-B	Q	.01 1/2	10-31	10-15
Orion Capital	Q	.23	10-1	9-19
Sysco Corp	Q	.05	11-16	10-26
Tandy Corp	Q	.15	10-23	10-1
TCBY Enterprises Inc	Q	.10	9-25	9-19
Tranzonic Cos	Q	.04	10-16	9-28

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - Troublesome fuel pumps have been replaced as engineers work to get the shuttle Columbia mission going. They are aiming for

possible liftoff early next week in a mission already months behind schedule. And they also face competition from a higher-priority effort to put a European space probe up for a five-year mission to the sun. It is tentatively set for around October 5th.

Forecasters once again upgraded Isidore to hurricane status... one day after it was reduced to a tropical storm. The National Hurricane Center in Miami says the storm has grown in strength in the last six hours with maximum sustained winds at 75 miles an hour. Currently, Hurricane Isidore is located about one-thousand-70 miles southwest of the westernmost Azores and is moving toward the northwest nearly eight miles an hour.

Police in Montgomery, Louisiana, say a man killed four family members and wounded three other people apparently because he was angry over the recent marriage of his sister. Investigators say 41-year-old Thomas Silman shot and killed his father, his uncle, his sister and her husband yesterday before surrendering. Police say Silman warned his sister he would kill her and her new husband if they married because he believed their two families were related.

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#90253u1068 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein threw a curve ball Monday at international trade sanctions against his country by offering to supply third-world countries with oil free of charge.

The action came a day after President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev declared after a summit meeting they would work together to pressure Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, an action Saddam said showed Bush's hatred for Arabs. The Iraqi leader refrained from criticizing Gorbachev.

A spokesman for the Iraqi leader said Monday on Iraqi television, ''We declare we are prepared to supply third-world countries with oil free of charge.''

The action was being taken as an act of solidarity with third-world nations whose economies were being hurt by the Persian Gulf by having to pay enormous prices for oil, the spokesman said.

He said the offer was made irrespective of the countries' positions on the gulf conflict, and that it did not violate U.N. sanctions because it was being offered free of charge.

The countries should apply to Iraq indicating the quantity and type of oil they want, and then should sent their own ships to fetch the oil because Iraq would not be able to transport it, the spokesman said.

Earlier, Saddam said Bush's statements after Sunday's superpower summit ''displayed his hatred for the Arab nation, because Bush ignored the crisis of the Palestinian people who are suffering under the Zionist nightmare,'' the official Iraqi News Agency quoted a government spokesman in Baghdad as saying late Sunday.

''It is the policy of big countries to move according to their material interests and election pressures,'' INA quoted the spokesman as saying.

But the Iraqi spokesman refrained from attacking Baghdad's former staunch ally Moscow, even though Gorbachev accused President Saddam Hussein of leading Iraq into a dead end and called in Helsinki for the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi occupation troops from Kuwait, which Baghdad invaded Aug. 2.

Also in Baghdad, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz returned home from Iran Monday after persuading Tehran to restore diplomatic relations between the two former foes. But there was no indication he convinced wary Iranian leaders to allow food and oil across the Iran-Iraq border.

Although Aziz received a formal welcome in Tehran, Iranian authorities refused to fly the Iraqi flag and a senior Iranian official said Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait. The Aziz visit was the first to Iran by a top Iraqi official since before the 1980-88 Iraq-Iran war and followed Baghdad's complete capitulation to Iranian demands for peace.

The statement came as more Western hostages released by Saddam flew home Sunday. A charter flight landed in Charleston, S.C., with 311 liberated Americans who sang ''God Bless America'' and told of daring escapes. Another flight with about 165 freed American women and children was expected to arrive at Baltimore Washington International Airport Monday afternoon.

The latter group of Americans had been aboard a chartered Iraqi Airways flight also carrying 186 Britons and 32 Irish that flew from Baghdad to Gatwick airport outside London Sunday evening.

On Sunday, Baghdad Radio had quoted an Iraqi spokesman as saying no more chartered flights carrying Western hostages would be allowed to fly to the Jordanian capital Amman, because Jordan could not handle any additional air traffic.

Bush and Gorbachev, at their daylong summit in Helsinki Sunday, threatened further pressure on Iraq if diplomacy fails.

''We are united in the belief that Iraq's aggression must not be tolerated '' Bush and Gorbachev said in a joint statement issued after the summit. ''No international order is possible if larger states can devour their

smaller neighbors.''

''Nothing short of a return to the pre-Aug. 2 status of Kuwait can end Iraq's isolation,'' Bush and Gorbachev said in their joint statement. ''Nothing short of the complete implementation of the United Nations Security Council resolutions (ordering an Iraqi withdrawal) is acceptable.''

In London, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said in her first public comment on the summit, ''I think it's very good for the world to know that the two great powers, the United States and the Soviet Union, are absolutely at one in saying that what the U.N. said should be done, will be done.''

Bush apparently did not achieve the goal stated by American officials of getting Moscow to pull all military advisers out of Iraq, its former ally. Gorbachev did say, however, that the number of advisers had been reduced from 193 at the outset of the crisis to about 150.

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#90253u1081 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - Dr. Bernadine Healy of the Cleveland Clinic Foundation apparently has been picked by Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan to fill the long-vacant job of director of the National Institutes of Health, officials said Monday.

''As best as I can tell, she is Dr. Sullivan's nominee,'' said William Raub, acting NIH director, prior to a news conference on women's health issues at the NIH's Bethesda, Md., campus.

Healy's appointment would require approval from the White House and Senate. A White House spokesman said Monday that President Bush had not yet received Sullivan's recommendation.

Sen. Barbara Mikulski, D-Md., said she did not know much about Healy's background but said it was important to fill the post, which has been vacant more than one year.

''It would be extremely helpful to have a woman head of NIH because it would show women are included in the top research posts,'' Mikulski said.

Healy, 46, who could not be reached for comment Monday, would replace Dr. James Wyngaarden, who resigned as NIH director on July 31, 1989, when the Bush administration indicated it wanted to choose its own chief.

The job has been vacant since then, generating criticism over leaving such an influential position open.

The NIH is the nation's premier biomedical research institution, conducting a wide range of research and providing funding for university and private research.

The search for a replacement generated controversy because the Bush administration initially questioned candidates about their views on abortion.

When William Danforth, chancellor of Washington University in St. Louis, rejected the job he complained about the use of abortion views as a litmus test for top health appointments.

Danforth also stated discomfort with the administration's ban on the use of fetal tissue from aborted fetuses in medical research.

Healy twice voted to support government financing for fetal tissue research while a member of NIH advisory panels.

Healy was deputy director of the White House Office of Science & Technology from 1984 through 1986 before leaving to serve as chairwoman of the Cleveland Clinic Foundation's Research Institute.

Cleveland Clinic was a pioneer in heart bypass surgery and is recognized as one of the leading health centers in the world, having cared for King Hussein of Jordan, King Fahd of Sauda Arabia, the Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi of Iran and President Joao Figuieredo of Brazil.

Healy is a past president of the American Federation of Clinical Research, a former professor at John Hopkins School of Medicine, and a veteran of half a dozen NIH advisory panels.

The search for a replacement also has been hampered by low morale at the NIH and the job's relatively low pay - between $83,600 and $100,000 a year.

NIH comprises 13 institutes, each covering a particular disorder. With an estimated $8 billion annual budget and 15,000 employees, the agency conducts research and hands out 22,000 grants annually to laboratories and reserachers.

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YAMOUSSOUKRO, IVORY COAST (SEPT. 10) UPI - Pope John Paul II, praising the ''generosity'' of President Felix Houphouet-Boigny, Monday consecrated a $200 million basilica that the Ivory Coast head of state regards as the crowning achievement of 30 years of one-party rule.

''This basilica has been built, by the head of state, to render homage to Our Lady, to render homage to Christ the Redeemer, who calls all men to join in the union of his body,'' the pontiff told 100,000 people gathered for a three-hour Mass in and outside the vast building.

The basilica, taller than St. Peter's in Rome, towers over the coconut plantations and tin shacks of the country's political capital, Yamoussoukro, 150 miles from the capital of Abidjan.

John Paul, dressed in a white miter and a white cassock, made no direct reference in his homily to the estimated $200 million cost of the Basilica of Our Lady of Peace, which has 272 pillars and seating for 7,000.

But the Polish pope praised the 85-year-old Roman Catholic president for paying for a hospital and a Catholic university that Houphouet-Boigny agreed to build near the basilica at the request of the Vatican to show the concern of the Holy See that social problems not be neglected.

The pope said that ''thanks to the generosity'' of Houphouet- Boigny, ''close to this sanctuary there has been built a social center, the International Foundation of Our Lady of Peace, to join under the same roof the gatherings of faith and the concrete service of brothers.''

''This service will be carried out by a hospital, of which I will bless the cornerstone at the end of this ceremony, and by an institute for the formation of youth,'' John Paul said.

Hundreds of armed police kept all but 10,000 invited guests outside the acres of formal gardens that surround the basilica. Foreign dignitaries attending the mass included Paris Mayor Jacques Chirac and South African Foreign Minister Pik Botha.

John Paul effectively rejected the controversy over the cost of the building, which was constructed out of the president's personal fortune, at a time when the Ivory Coast, with a Roman Catholic community of only 10 percent of the population, has a foreign debt of $15 billion.

''Every sanctuary is a place chosen to worship God, so that all believers gather in his presence to listen to his word,'' the pope said.

''In every epoch and in all the continents, the sons of the church have consecrated the best of their art to building these visible signs that help understand that God lives in the midst of his people, that the church of Christ is founded on the land of men.''

A choir of 100 sang a mixture of traditional hymns and African songs during the mass, which was attended by 50 cardinals and bishops.

The impeccable organization of the event went awry only once, when a heavy light fell from high on a wall behind the altar during the service and barely was saved by its cable from crashing to the floor.

Police reported no incidents during the mass, which authorities had feared might become a focus for anti-government protests. Houphouet- Boigny agreed in July to accept plans for multi-party democracy.

Yamoussoukro, the birthplace of the aging president, was the last stop on the pope's African tour that also took him to Tanzania, Burundi and Rwanda.

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#90253u1093 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (SEPT. 10) UPI - Chinese officials said Monday fund raising for the Beijing Asian Games this month had already reached the target and could go higher, and they denied persistent reports the government had forced donations by Chinese workers.

The officials, however, declined to give specific answers on questions relating to the apparently poor response from foreign corporate sponsors to the games. One official publicly chided Japanese businesses for what he said were skimpy contributions.

Funding for the games, a quadrennial Asian sports competition staged between Olympics, has been in question this year, but the Beijing Asian Games Organizing Committee officials, speaking at a news conference, claimed they are now satisified.

The games are to open Sept. 22 and run through Oct. 7.

''The objectives set have now been achieved, and it is expected we may surpass that goal,'' said Liu Yuling, deputy executive secretary general for BAGOC.

China is hosting the games for the first time. The event has been troubling for the organizers, particularly since the June 1989 violent suppression of the pro-democracy movement in China.

The games are publicly said to cost $530 million, with about $468 million for construction and renovation of facilities and the remainder for actually staging the event.

The national and Beijing governments are putting up the lion's share of the total, about $405 million.

The major headache for the committee was the $125 million to be raised through sales of event tickets, souvenirs and other licensing items,

advertising sold to corporate sponsors, public lotteries and donations.

Wang Zhiliang, fund-raising director, said the committee already had just over $100 million in receipts and commitments or pledges that would push the total to around $132 million.

The officials said about $50 million had been raised through donations. But they denied frequent charges by Chinese that the government has deducted ''donations'' from individuals paychecks and demanded quota donations from large numbers of work units.

''There is no such practice as setting quotas for units,'' Wang said. ''I believe most of the contributions from China are the result of patriotic feeling among the Chinese people.''

This, he said, is ''fund-raising with Chinese characteristics.''

The officials, however, refused to say whether they could determine that there had been no incidents of forced contributions, even though some such episodes have been detailed in the state press.

The committee has also had difficulty in persuading foreign corporations, even some major companies doing business in China, to sign on as sponsors.

Wang acknowledged that of the 1,755 contracts sold for advertising on signboards at stadiums and other Games sites, only 230 are from ''foreign customers.''

He further chided Japanese businesses for making ''very few donations,'' saying most Japanese activities related to the games ''are commercial.''

''Frankly, comparing to the Japanese share of the Chinese market, Japan has done something incompatible with its share,'' Wang said.

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#90253u1112 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 10) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

HOCKEY

NY Islanders - Signed defenseman Ken Baumgartner to a multi-year contract.

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#90253u1130 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 10) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 57-63.

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#90253u1133 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - International spot crude oil prices as provided by Telerate Systems Inc. at midday Monday:

.	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	25.80-25.90	26.60-26.70
North Sea Brent	29.30-29.35	30.40-30.50
West Texas Intermed	29.00-29.05	30.00-30.05

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#90253u1139 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

TALLAHASSEE, FL (SEPT. 10) UPI - Most drug users apparently are not driven by their habits to commit violent crimes or property crimes and may be no more a threat to society than people who use alcohol, researchers said Monday.

David Rasmussen, a professor of economics and policy sciences, and Bruce Benson, an economics professor, both of Floriday State University, studied 45,096 people arrested in Florida for drug offenses in 1987.

They found that 76 percent had no prior arrest for violent crimes, and a small percentage of those who had been arrested before committed most of the violent offenses.

Eighty-eight percent had never been arrested for property crimes, including burglary or possession of stolen goods.

''This study suggests we are incarcerating people for the use of drugs when they do not commit other crimes and tend not to commit other crimes '' Rasmussen said. ''They may be no more a threat to society than people who use alcohol but don't commit other crimes.''

The study, conducted for the Florida Legislature, reached similar conclusions regarding people convicted of drug offenses who return to

prison or probation later. It looked at 4,398 people convicted of drug crimes since 1985 but released before April 1990.

Of the 51 percent who returned to Department of Corrections control, 35 percent were for repeat drug offenses and 16 percent were for non-drug offenses. The remaining 49 percent had not returned to state control.

''Some people do commit crimes to support their habit, but the universe of drug users is far greater than that,'' Rasmussen said.

''Alcohol is a perfect example. Most people who use alcohol, and many who abuse it, do not commit crimes. What you get is a connection in the public mind that drugs cause crime because many people sho commit crimes are associated with drug and alcohol abuse.

''It's a classic logical fallacy that because things are related, they're causal. Our study and other studies suggest that this simply is not true.''

Rasmussen said the study should provoke thought about what the state should do with people caught using drugs, but not committing other crimes.

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#90253u1157 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78-81 and mediums 63-66.

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#90253u1160 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (SEPT. 10) UPI - Gov. James R. Thompson Monday denied a clemency petition for condemned killer Charles Walker, clearing the way for the state's first execution in nearly three decades.

Walker, 50, of Belleville, is scheduled to receive a lethal injection Wednesday at 12:01 a.m. at Stateville Penitentiary for killing a couple during a robbery in 1983.

Thompson told a Chicago news conference he will not block the execution because Walker has made it clear he wants to die and because there are no ''moral or legal'' grounds to reduce Walker's sentence to life in prison.

''Mr. Walker has put himself to death by the commission of the crime,'' the governor said.

Walker halted all appeals on his behalf and has refused to take part in any challenge of the constitutionality of the Illinois death penalty law. He suffers from emphysema and has said being forced to serve a life sentence would amount to cruel and unusual punishment.

Walker has been on death row since 1985 for slayings two years earlier of Sharon Winker and Kevin Paule, a Mascoutah couple he robbed for beer money.

Six Roman Catholic bishops Sunday released a letter they had written to the governor on Walker's behalf.

''We do not request this commutation as a mitigation of Mr. Walker's heinous offenses or with insensitivity to the continuing loss experienced by the family and friends of Sharon Winker and Kevin Paule,'' the letter said. ''It is our faith that prompts us to emphasize that combatting violence with violence further undermines the request for life and human dignity which is the foundation of our Bill of Rights and our system of law.''

The 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Friday refused to expedite an appeal by death row inmates of a district judge's refusal to delay Walker's execution because of questions about the lethal injection machine.

The lawsuit contends the machine is corroded and there is a good chance it will not function properly, causing a slow and painful death. The suit also says the execution method is unconstitutional.

The last person executed in Illinois was James Dukes, who died in the electric chair in 1962 for the murder of a police officer.

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#90253u1161 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 10) UPI - Government forces mounted raids in the capital and arrested two people in a crackdown on rebel soldiers attempting to oust President Corazon Aquino, officials said Monday.

Police, meanwhile, swooped down on a residential area in suburban Paranaque Monday and arrested a businessman for possession of $80,000 worth of explosive devices.

Police Brig. Gen. Levy Macasiano said the man, identified as Jun Takata, was being investigated for possible involvement in a string of 18 bombings in Manila over the past three weeks. Seven people were injured in the

incidents, which have been blamed on rebel soldiers.

Suspected communist guerrillas shot and killed a police colonel while he was driving his jeep in Batangas city, 50 miles south of Manila, police said.

Lt. Col. Prudencio Umahon, Batangas deputy police commander, sustained multiple gunshot wounds in the head and body and died on the scene, said police Sgt. Gavino Africa.

Africa said the slaying was under investigation but police believed assassins of the communist New Peoples Army were involved.

The 19,000-strong NPA has been battling the Manila government for 21 years.

The military also reported a soldier and four guerrillas were killed in two weekend encounters in Quezon and Mindoro provinces.

Maj. Gen. Rodolfo Biazon, acting armed forces chief, told reporters troops on Sunday arrested a driver of dismissed Constabulary Col. Billy Bibit in his apartment in nearby Mandaluyong town. Bibit, who eluded arrest, is one of the key leaders of the rebels.

Biazon reported to Aquino Monday on the rebel attempt before dawn Sunday to spirit 70 high-powered firearms and ammunition out of the armed forces hospital armory in the Manila suburb of Quezon City.

Troops arrested four of the raiders and recovered the firearms.

Biazon said he had known about the hospital raid and planned a trap. He said the troops allowed the rebels to sneak out the weapons in a bus and an ambulance and tried to follow them in hopes it could lead to the capture of their leaders.

But Biazon said the rebels knew they were being followed and opened fire. A soldier and one of the four rebels were wounded in the brief gun battle.

Biazon said the incident showed military dissidents, who have tried six times to oust Aquino, no longer have the capability to mount another coup attempt.

''Staging another coup is going to be foolish on their part,'' said Biazon.

He added the four arrested were civilians, indicating the dissidents have failed to recruit supporters in the armed forces.

The army commander of the hospital and two of his aides were fired after the raid. Two sergeants also were arrested for allegedly sleeping on the

job, officials said.

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#90253u1165 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - President Bush reported to foreign leaders Monday on his weekend summit with Mikhail Gorbachev, confident their show of superpower solidarity tightened the squeeze on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

''This sends from a major power, a superpower, a very strong message to him that he is not going to divide and conquer,'' Bush said Sunday while en route home from Helsinki, Finland. ''It's wonderful. We think it is superb.''

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Bush, who returned home to face not only the Persian Gulf crisis but tough negotiations with Congress on the budget, planned to telephone a number of foreign leaders about Sunday's talks with Gorbachev.

As allied and friendly governments welcomed the East-West unity displayed in Helsinki, Bush worked on a speech he will deliver Tuesday night to Congress and the American people on the confrontation with Iraq and the budget mess at home.

An upbeat Bush told reporters Sunday night on the flight home from Helsinki that he ''couldn't be more pleased'' with the outcome of his hastily arranged summit with Gorbachev.

In a firm if symbolic signal of East-West alignment, Bush and Gorbachev declared themselves ''united in the belief that Iraq's aggression must not be tolerated'' and threatened further unspecified action against Iraq if Saddam refuses U.N. calls to reverse his Aug. 2 takeover of Kuwait.

Though the two leaders essentially reaffirmed their earlier support for U.N. Security Council resolutions condemning the invasion and ordering a virtual trade embargo against Iraq, the show of East-West unity was designed to rachet up the pressure on Saddam.

''Nothing short of the complete implementation of the United Nations Security Council resolutions is acceptable,'' they said. ''Nothing short of a return to the pre-Aug. 2 status of Kuwait can end Iraq's isolation.''

Beneath the veneer of superpower solidarity lay subtle if definable differences, centered on the use of military force and intimidation to push Iraqi troops out of Kuwait.

Bush acknowledged he and Gorbachev did not agree on ''every nuance and

every question,'' but brushed aside their areas of disagreement by touting the ''loud and clear'' message the summit sent to Baghdad.

''There is no rift,'' he said. ''There are some differences, but not on the fundamental point. The fundamental point is there is a clarion call for compliance with these sanctions.''

The language flowing from the summit finale seemed more to follow what Bush characterized as Gorbachev's ''eloquent appeal'' to give diplomacy a chance than the bellicose rhetoric heard in defense of the massive deployment of American military forces in and near the gulf.

Bush was forced to play down U.S. concern about the continued presence of Soviet military advisers in Iraq as well as the American desire for expanded military cooperation to broaden the multinational facet of the U.S.-led containment of Saddam.

Gorbachev asserted the Soviet military advisers in Iraq - ''not so much advisers as specialists or experts working under contract'' - had dropped in number from 196 to 150 and would continue to leave as their projects were completed. Bush minimized that issue as ''not a major irritant.''

On the question of Soviet troops in the gulf region, Gorbachev, who extracted the Soviet Union from an expensive and painful 10-year occupation of Afghanistan, displayed little interest in seeing Soviet and American troops stand shoulder to shoulder on the Arabian Peninsula.

Gorbachev alluded to possible attempts at Soviet mediation and fresh prospects for diplomatic approaches to Iraq, which has been Moscow's closest ally in the Middle East. At the same time, he pointedly noted that the consequence of further military provocation by Iraq ''

Urging Saddam to ''display sobriety'' and ''look carefully at the whole situation,'' Gorbachev said: ''No one has any intention of trying to exclude Iraq from the community of nations. But what the present Iraqi leadership is going is driving it into a dead end, and I hope that President Saddam Hussein will heed this appeal to him.''

Consistent with the Soviet emphasis on a political settlement, the summit discussions dealt at length with the latitude and limits of the five U.N. Security Council resolutions on the conflict between Iraq and Kuwait, which was born of disputes over territory, money and oil.

The summit outcome lacked drama or surprise, but was lauded by a senior U.S. official as the first time the superpowers had been able to confront a Third World crisis ''and really talk with pretty much the same vocabulary.''

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
American Locker Grp (2nd Q 6-30)	
$3,174,000	$2,538,000
a-$106,000 (.09)	$91,000 (.08)
a-Income from continuing operations.	
Dover Indus Ltd (2nd Q 6-30)	
$30,177,000	$30,112,000
$1,314,000 (.38)	$1,329,000 (.39)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
LTX Corp (4th Q 7-31)	
$41,626,000	$28,469,000
d-$1,136,000	d-$9,302,000
d-Deficit.	
Microdyne Corp (3rd Q 7-29)	
$7,468,000	$4,956,000
$66,000 (.02)	$130,000 (.03)
Nu-West Industries (Year 6-30)	
$93,800,000	$154,700,000
ad-$52,900,000	d-$9,400,000
ad-Deficit, after a provision for loss of $36,400,000 on Gulf Coast subsidiaries, Nu-Gulf Industries and Nu-South Industries Inc. The company sold the capital stock of Nu-Gulf on Jan. 31 and Nu-South filed a voluntary petition for liquidation under Chapter 7 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code on Feb. 1.	
d-Deficit.	
Optical Radiation (4th Q 7-28)	
$36,840,000	$30,183,000
a-$3,904,000 (.58)	$3,561,000 (.55)
a-Income from continuing operations.	
TCA Cable TV (3rd Q 7-31)	
$28,721,000	$19,246,000
$1,070,000 (.04)	$2,747,000 (.11)

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OMAHA (SEPT. 10) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 1,500; trading on slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, prices both classes fully 1.00 higher, instances 1.25-1.50 higher than last Tuesday; slaughter cows and bulls steady with last Wednesday; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-3, few 4s 1100-1350 lb 75.00-76.00, near 4 loads 76.25-76.50, select and choice No 2-3 1050- 1250 lb 74.00-75.50, select No 2-3 72.00-74.00; holsteins choice No 2-3 1250-1350 lb 70.00, select and choice No 2-3 1200-1400 lb 68.00-68.75, select 67.00; heifers choice No 2-3, few 4s 975-1175 lb 75.00-76.00, load 76.25, select and choice No 2-3 950-1100 lb 73.00-75.00, select No 2-3 71.00-73.00; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 breaking few 54.00-55.00, boning few 55.00-58.50, canner and low cutter few 50.00- 55.00.

Hogs 2,000; butchers 50-1.00 lower, closing frequently 1.00 lower, No 1-3 230-270 lb 52.50-53.50, after 250 lb and heavier sold early at 53.00-53.50 not much exceeded 53.00 late, No 1-2 210-230 lb 52.00-53.00, No 2-3 270-280 lb 51.50-52.50, 280-310 lb 50.00-51.50; sows 30 percent, under 500 lb firm, over 500 lb weak, No 1-3 350-500 lb mainly 44.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb opened 46.50-47.00, closed 47.00-47.50.

Sheep 100, shorn slaughter lambs 1.00 higher, wooled slaughter lambs and slaughter ewes unchanged, shorn slaughter lambs, choice and prime 120-135 lb No 1-2 pelts 50.00-51.00; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb 47.00-49.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good 13.00-17.00.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - White House and congressional negotiators trying to cut the multibillion-dollar federal deficit were ''going nowhere fast'' Monday, but the administration held out hope an agreement could be reached.

Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady said he was ''not very optimistic'' that the deficit can be reduced enough before mandatory cuts kick in on Oct. 1, the start of the new fiscal year.

''President Bush called for the summit some 90 days ago on the basis that we simply have to reduce our deficit. I would say that talks are going nowhere fast,'' Brady said on the ABC program ''Good Morning, America.''

Little progress was reported in weekend negotiations at Andrews Air Force Base, 15 miles east of Washington, as the deadline for reaching a $500 billion deficit-reduction agreement approached.

Budget negotiators have given themselves an unofficial deadline of Monday to reach an agreement.

Bush had invited House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri, who is taking part in the talks, to the White House for a Monday morning meeting, but that meeting was canceled late Sunday.

At a Monday morning staff briefing, budget director Richard Darman reported on the lack of progress. ''He was not optimistic,'' one official said, ''but left the door open that something could budget today.''

Bush, returning from Finland after a one-day summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, is scheduled to address a joint session of Congress and the American people on Tuesday.

That address would be an ideal time for Bush to try to rally the nation behind the series of difficult and politically unpopular spending cuts and tax increases that are expected to be part of the deficit- reduction package being crafted by negotiators.

Upon arrival in Washington from Helsinki, White House Chief of Staff John Sununu said he had been in touch with the budget negotiators and could report ''not much progress'' in the talks. He said he expected the meetings would continue through Monday.

Democrats have prodded Bush since the talks began on May 15 to tell Americans about the sacrifices that would be needed to cut the soaring federal deficit. Bush has declined, however, saying he would prefer to address the nation after a budget agreement is reached.

If negotiators fail to reach agreement to cut the estimated $168.8 billion fiscal year 1991 deficit, it would on Oct. 1 trigger $105.7 billion in automatic spending cuts split between defense and domestic programs.

Negotiators are trying to craft a deficit-reduction package of $50 billion in fiscal 1991, which begins Oct. 1, and $500 billion over five years.

Both Democrats and Republicans have put several proposals on the bargaining table, but it was unclear Sunday how close or far away they were from final agreement. There had been reports, however, that negotiators had narrowed their differences in several key areas, including defense and domestic spending cuts.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 10) UPI - The Soviet Parliament reconvened Monday for its fall session, facing the difficult task of implementing practical steps to

move toward a market economy while dealing with staggering shortages and widespread unrest.

''In effect, the session marks the end of the preparatory stage of perestroika, which resulted in the disintegration of the old political and economic system,'' the official Tass news agency said.

Monday's meeting of the Supreme Soviet, or Parliament, was devoted to a report by its chairman Anatoly Lukyanov and the consideration of an agenda that included 31 bills.

''We have entered a stage of serious tests,'' Lukyanov said. ''Sharp polemics are under way as to further ways of development of our state.''

The first controversy arose when Leningrad Mayor Anatoly Sobchak, a leader of the so-called inter-regional group of radical deputies, proposed an alternative agenda while saying the official agenda was full of secondary items.

Sobchak called for the resignation of Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov and demanded President Mikhail Gorbachev address Parliament on the state of the country.

''Today we have absolutely no right to leave in office a government that has proved incapable of pulling the country out of crisis,'' Sobchak said.

Preliminary debate on proposals for a move to a market economy was not expected until Tuesday, when Ryzhkov's government was to make its report on the transition to a market and urgent measures needed to stabilize the economy.

During its spring session, the Supreme Soviet rejected the government's previous proposal for ''transition to a regulated market'' and ordered it revised.

Ryzhkov favors a step-by-step transition to some sort of market economy. His revised plan is still conservative and envisages much continued central control, a stand that has led to numerous calls for his resignation.

A rival blueprint for the move to a market economy, developed by economist Stanislav Shatalin and a commission set up by President Mikhail Gorbachev and Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin, calls for much more radical reforms to quickly privatize property and decentralize control.

Although Gorbachev, Yeltsin and other officials have said only one plan should be presented to Parliament, the two proposals had major differences and it was not clear what would finally be presented to the Supreme Soviet.

Ryzhkov told the independent Interfax news agency he would present his plan to Parliament and probably include ''analysis of some articles of the program worked out by Shatalin's group.'' He said he did not know if anyone would present the entire Shatalin program.

Shatalin told Interfax he did not know if his plan would be discussed by Parliament at all, although he was ready to present it if asked.

The Supreme Soviet convened after a summer of shortages of everything from bread to tobacco, and long lines at shops - common in the Soviet Union for years - have recently spawned consumer protests and even riots.

Inter-ethnic clashes and worker unrest have cut production and despite food shortages, much of a record crop is likely to be wasted because of problems with harvesting and transport including fuel shortages.

The country is behind on payments of foreign debt and Moscow has recently been selling hundreds of tons of gold to earn desperatly needed hard currency to pay for even more desperately needed imports.

Besides the economy, the Parliament must consider the idea of a new ''union treaty'' on links between the central government and the 15 Soviet republics, which have nearly all declared independence or sovereignty in the last six months.

Also on the agenda is a bill on freedom of emigration linked by the United States to better economic ties, as well as new laws on military reforms and freedom of conscience.

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YAMOUSSOUKRO, IVORY COAST (SEPT. 10) UPI - Pope John Paul II, praising the ''generosity'' of President Felix Houphouet-Boigny, Monday consecrated a $200 million basilica that the Ivory Coast head of state regards as the crowning achievement of 30 years of one-party rule.

''This basilica has been built, by the head of state, to render homage to Our Lady, to render homage to Christ the Redeemer, who calls all men to join in the union of his body,'' the pontiff told 100,000 people gathered for a three-hour Mass in and outside the vast building.

The basilica, taller than St. Peter's in Rome, towers over the coconut plantations and tin shacks of the country's political capital, Yamoussoukro, 150 miles from the capital of Abidjan.

John Paul, dressed in a white miter and a white cassock, made no direct reference in his homily to the estimated $200 million cost of the Basilica

of Our Lady of Peace, which has 272 pillars and seating for 7,000.

But the Polish pope praised the 85-year-old Roman Catholic president for paying for a hospital and a Catholic university that Houphouet-Boigny agreed to build near the basilica at the request of the Vatican to show the concern of the Holy See that social problems not be neglected.

The pope said that ''thanks to the generosity'' of Houphouet- Boigny, ''close to this sanctuary there has been built a social center, the International Foundation of Our Lady of Peace, to join under the same roof the gatherings of faith and the concrete service of brothers.''

''This service will be carried out by a hospital, of which I will bless the cornerstone at the end of this ceremony, and by an institute for the formation of youth,'' John Paul said.

Hundreds of armed police kept all but 10,000 invited guests outside the acres of formal gardens that surround the basilica. Foreign dignitaries attending the mass included Paris Mayor Jacques Chirac and South African Foreign Minister Pik Botha.

John Paul effectively rejected the controversy over the cost of the building, which was constructed out of the president's personal fortune, at a time when the Ivory Coast, with a Roman Catholic community of only 10 percent of the population, has a foreign debt of $15 billion.

''Every sanctuary is a place chosen to worship God, so that all believers gather in his presence to listen to his word,'' the pope said.

''In every epoch and in all the continents, the sons of the church have consecrated the best of their art to building these visible signs that help understand that God lives in the midst of his people, that the church of Christ is founded on the land of men.''

A choir of 100 sang a mixture of traditional hymns and African songs during the mass, which was attended by 50 cardinals and bishops.

The impeccable organization of the event went awry only once, when a heavy light fell from high on a wall behind the altar during the service and barely was saved by its cable from crashing to the floor.

Police reported no incidents during the mass, which authorities had feared might become a focus for anti-government protests. Houphouet- Boigny agreed in July to accept plans for multi-party democracy.

Yamoussoukro, the birthplace of the aging president, was the last stop on the pope's African tour that also took him to Tanzania, Burundi and Rwanda.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 10) UPI - Sen. John Heinz said Monday he was surprised to find U.S.troops in Saudi Arabia in such good spirits. The troops did, however, question Americans' support of their role in the Middle East.

''What I found was that our young men and women had very good morale, that they felt they were being well provided for in spite of the very harsh conditions,'' said Heinz, R-Pa., at a news conference. ''But they had two questions.

''They wanted to know whether the American people were really behind them. They were a little bit worried this might be Vietnam doubt that's in the back of everybody's mind,'' Heinz said of his Labor Day weekend trip to Saudi Arabia. They also wanted to know what the news was back in the states.

The Pittsburgh senator was in Philadelphia to host a women's conference and meet with a handful of relatives and friends of U.S. soldiers sent to defend Saudi Arabia after Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (SEPT. 10) UPI - The landmark U.S.-Soviet agreement on troop levels in Europe has been ''overtaken by events'' and should be re-examined, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said Monday.

The pact allowing 225,000 U.S. troops and 195,000 Soviet troops was rendered obsolete by the Soviet Union's agreement in July to withdraw all its troops from East Germany within four years, Baker said after a meeting of NATO foreign ministers.

The U.S. and Soviet troop levels, to be incorporated into the Conventional Forces in Europe (CFE) talks in Vienna, were agreed to in February at the Open Skies conference in Ottawa.

''The understandings that were reached in Ottawa have been overtaken by events,'' Baker said. ''So the question of the overall levels of U.S. forces is one that is very much in the air.''

He said he would likely discuss U.S. and Soviet troop levels in Moscow, where he was slated to arrive late Monday after his visit in Brussels.

Baker's comments followed a report that the chief Soviet CFE negotiator told U.S. negotiators that U.S. troop levels should be reduced to between 70,000 and 80,000, due to the slated withdrawal of Soviet forces from

Eastern Europe.

The United States now has about 305,000 troops in Europe.

The Soviets agreed to withdraw their troops within four years in July 16 talks between Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl in the Soviet Caucasus Mountains. The agreement, which allows a united Germany to remain in NATO, also calls for a limit of 370,000 troops in a united Germany within four years.

An overall CFE agreement is sought in time for a Nov. 17 summit, in Paris, of the 35-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe. That conference includes all of Europe except Albania, plus the United States and Canada.

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SANTA BARBARA, CA (SEPT. 10) UPI - Responsible nutritionists have carped about diet and heart disease for more than three decades. The American Heart Association has sermonized about its ''prudent'' (30 percent fat) diet for almost as long. Prevention, the battle cry went. Practice prevention. But prevention is a crusader's game lacking punch. We want cure.

At last, after decades of scholarly bickering and academic hype, we do have the hint of a cure. Dean Ornish of San Francisco and his associates reported recently in the The Lancet, the British medical journal, that a strict, low-fat vegetarian diet, moderate aerobic exercise, stress management training, abstinence from smoking and group support - including meditation, but no medication - can actually turn the disease, atherosclerosis, around.

In work going back more than a decade, another group, led by David H. Blankenhorn of Los Angeles, who also made its evaluations with before-and-after X-rays (angiograms), showed that atherosclerosis in leg arteries and in heart arteries (the coronaries) can be made to regress-another hint of a cure.

Blankenhorn used cholesterol-lowering drugs, however, along with a moderate diet, while Ornish foregoes drugs. His program features a diet with only a third of the fat (10 percent fat) that the American Heart Association has recommended. This 10 percent fat program, by the way, is similar to a regimen advocated by diet expert Nathan Pritikin since the late 1970s without, in Pritikin's case, enough scientific evidence to win over the nutritional establishment.

If the nutrition experts should be persuaded now, their concept and

management of the disease will be changed. Although practicing physicians may have proffered hope, they have believed that atherosclerosis, once evident, advances like a tank force overrunning a village, relentlessly. Hence the stress on prevention; deter the invasion. Therefore we have had the American Heart Association prevention diet, which has been bedeviled by controversy.

There also has been controversy associated with cholesterol control, with some expressing doubt about the life-saving value of low cholesterol intake. Responsible medicine likes good evidence, but its collection on these matters could take decades. Meanwhile, coronary heart disease must be managed.

Current management utilizes drugs and surgery as well as diet and lifestyle advocacy. When they learned that a blood clot may be the final episode that blocks a diseased blood vessel, causing a heart attack, researchers turned to clot-dissolving drugs - as we turn to Drano for a plugged pipe. These important drugs may have reduced heart-attack mortality by as much as 40 percent. One of them, TPA (tissue plasminogen activator), at $2,200 per treatment, became the fastest selling new drug in history. Cholesterol lowering drugs, too, such as the ones Blankenhorn used, play a role, and by reducing the likelihood of heart attacks a whole array of antihypertensive medications have an indirect effect on the ravages of coronary heart disease.

After decades of blundering surgical attempts, prospects for invasive treatment changed dramatically in 1967 with coronary artery bypass grafting. A medical industrial complex of instrument makers, hospitals and practitioners materialized to be nourished by the not quite bottomless resources of medicare and private insurance. Sound reasons for performing this operation emerged slowly. There is evidence, unfortunately, that as many as one-half of the operations, as now practiced, may be unnecessary.

Coronary angioplasty - less invasive, less expensive - has intruded on the bypass terrain with a confusing fanfare of technical innovations and a host of relatively inexperienced practitioners, but without adequate evidence of precisely when it might help. In any case, local repair by either of these invasive techniques is something like putting out small flare-ups while the forest burns. They may be disconcertingly late and temporary; often they are not clearly better than non-surgical management. Thus we return to the possibility of diet as a decisive alternative to both drugs and surgery.

What now? Coronary heart disease, our country's biggest killer, threatens each of us, in the long run, far more vitally than does Iraq or cocaine. By middle age we're apt to harbor a few hardened arteries. If a vegetarian regimen will reverse the dread process in those already disabled, shouldn't we all heed the message and go on the 10 percent diet?

Ornish is cautious. "The point of our study," he says, ''was to determine what is true, not what is practicable." Adherence to the lifestyle program needs to be very good, he adds, for regression to occur. His austere diet provides no animal products except egg white and one cup per day of non-fat milk or yogurt.

His study is sure to come under criticism. It was small (28 patients in the experimental group and 20 in the control group), and it tells us nothing about the most important end point: Does the program prolong life? The only death during the yearlong study occurred in the experimental group, involving what the study described as a patient who greatly exceeded exercise recommendations in an unsupervised gym.

Could the regimen actually harm some people, as may be the case with cholesterol lowering regimens? This isn't known. At any rate, in the program's favor, even if death is not postponed, or postponed only a little, one might hope that restoration of a vigorous blood flow would somehow ease the pain of aging.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - Iraq is offering free oil to third-world countries that want to send tankers to pick it up. The offer is seen as a way to divide countries on the Persian Gulf crisis... but it's unclear what would happen if the tankers try to run the naval blockade around Iraq. Saddam Hussein is engaged in other fence-mending, renewing diplomatic relations with Iran after the two fought a bloody eight-year war.

President Bush is back in Washington as Congressional leaders try to work out a budget deficit compromise before the current fiscal year ends September 30th. Bush listed his own satisifaction with results of yesterday's five-hour summit with Soviet President Gorbachev. The two did NOT agree on everything at the Helsinki talks, but Bush says the results still send a strong message to Iraq.

Two U-S warships and more than 500 sailors arrived in the Soviet port of Vladivostok today. The official visit by the cruiser U-S-S Princeton and the frigate U-S-S Reuben James is the first American port call at the far eastern Soviet city since the lend-lease program of World War Two. It's part of a naval exchange under improved U-S-Soviet relations. Vladivostok is the chief Soviet port and naval facility in the Pacific. Until recently was closed to all foreigners.

Military sources in Warsaw say Poland is considering buying American F-16 or French Mirage 2000 jet fighters. The sources say Poland is turning to the West because Moscow hiked prices for its aviation equipment and is

reluctant to sell it. A newspaper says the Kremlin has turned a cold shoulder to Polish military negotiators who recently conducted talks on the purchase of Soviet MiG- 29 jet fighters.

Pope John Paul continues his latest tour of Africa by consecrating a 200-Million-dollar basilica today in the Ivory Coast, a country with grinding poverty and a 15-BILLION-dollar debt. The church is taller than St. Peter's in Rome and it can hold seven-thousand worshipers. There were 10-thousand guests invited to hear the pontiff... armed police kept everyone else away.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 10) UPI - Complications from balloon angioplasty have not declined despite a decade of experience and improved technology in the surgical procedure used to clear blocked heart arteries, a study showed Monday.

About 250,000 Americans undergo angioplasty annually to reopen the vessels that supply blood to the heart muscle. But 5 percent to 10 percent of those attempts wind up closing down, rather than re-opening, the occluded vessel.

During angioplasty, a thin tube, or catheter, with a tiny deflated balloon on its tip is introduced into a vessel and pushed until the tip reaches the disease-narrowed artery. When the balloon is inflated, the narrowed segment of the artery is dilated, or widened.

Angioplasty is done as an alternative to open-heart surgery, but 35 percent of the patients in whom the procedure fails to keep the blocked vessel open still require bypass surgery, researchers with the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute's angioplasty registry reported in the journal Circulation.

Researchers said closure of the treated artery remains a serious complication, and ''one of the most important risk factors'' for in-hospital deaths and heart attack.

''After hospital discharge,'' they report, ''an excess mortality continued in the occlusion groups.''

Dr. Katherine Detre, an epidemiologist at the University of Pittsburgh directed the study of 1,801 patients who underwent angioplasty during 1985 and 1986 at 15 medical centers in the United States and Canada. She also directed the registry's initial evaluation of the safety of angioplasties performed in 1977-81, when the procedure was first being used in humans.

''We reopened the registry because we wanted to see whether the results had improved,'' Detre said.

Instead, researchers found the rate of complications was unchanged from the first study, mainly because the procedure is now being used in higher risk, older patients with more extensive coronary artery disease.

Dr. Daniel Kulick, cardiologist at Mission Regional Medical Center in Mission Viejo, Calif., said ''virtually 100 percent of the time,'' balloon dilation causes a small tear in the inner lining of the treated vessel. Most of the time there are no adverse results, but the torn lining may form a flap that can close off the artery, blocking blood flow.

''Sometimes when we do angioplasty, we make things worse rather than better, and the vessel goes from being partially blocked to being totally blocked,'' Kulick said.

Recent technology advances have given angioplasty operators better images of the narrowed arteries. Improved catheters as well as metal coils, called stents, that can be left in the artery to keep it open after the balloon has been deflated have been developed, he said.

As a result, the number of patients who need emergency bypass surgery during angioplasty may be much lower in 1990 than it was during the mid-80s when the registry data were collected.

Kulick also says devices that may become available within the next year or two may reduce the need for emergency surgery even further.

Circulation is a journal of the American Heart Association.

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BANGKOK, THAILAND (SEPT. 10) UPI - The Thai cabinet, after years of delays, formally approved Monday a Canadian company's proposal to build a $1.69 billion ''skytrain'' project to ease Bangkok's worsening traffic congestion.

A government statement said the cabinet's economic ministers granted the contract for an elevated railway to the Lavalin International Group - partly owned by the Canadian Government - to construct a modern mass transit system for Bangkok.

The award, after 20 years of studies, delays and changes, appeared to end the hopes of Lavalin's main competitor, the Asia Euro Consortium, to undertake the project.

The award came amid rising public criticism of the government for failure to take effective action against traffic congestion that wastes millions of manhours and millions of dollars each year in massive traffic jams.

Investment in the first phase of the project will be $1.69 billion, the statement said.

The statement said construction was set to begin next year and that service on the first route was expected to start in 1995. The second route of the first stage was scheduled for completion in 1997.

The skytrain project has been under consideration since 1970, but previous Thai governments failed to make any final decisions on the system.

The statement said Thailand promised to grant investment promotion privileges, including tax exemption on overseas loans to Lavalin.

''The government will receive about $3.5 billion in dividends from the project during the period of the 13th to 30th years, for an average return of 21 percent,'' the statement said.

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LONDON (SEPT. 10) UPI - Freed Irish hostage Brian Keenan said Monday he believes Terry Waite, who was taken hostage in Lebanon nearly four years ago, is alive.

For the first time since he was freed last month, Keenan revealed details about Waite's captivity in a basement cell, saying the envoy to the archbishop of Canterbury was being held alone and had been ill at one point.

''I know Terry Waite is alive,'' Keenan told the Independent Television News in an interview from County Donegal, Ireland.

''I know that he has been ill ... I heard him coughing very heavily at night. The illness I do not think is serious.''

Keenan said Waite was held in the same ''apartment'' as he and Briton John McCarthy, and had frequent visits from his captors while he was ill. McCarthy remains in captivity.

Keenan told ITN his door was adjacent to Waite's, and through it he heard the guards frequently call the hostage ''Terry.''

Although he never saw Waite's face, Keenan said he was able to identify him by listening to his English accent and seeing large shoes which he

thought belonged to the tall Briton, who has been called ''a gentle giant.''

''We always counted the number of people being taken to the toilet. We knew there was another hostage. We knew it wasn't Terry Anderson. ''

''When he was being taken to the toilet there was a large pair of shoes to walk about to the bathroom, plastic sandals,'' Keenan said.

Waite had for six years negotiated with Iran, Libya, and Lebanon for the release of Western and other hostages before he disappeared Jan. 20, 1987, on a mission to Lebanon. The year before he was kidnapped, Waite had worked for the release of American journalist Anderson, who is still being held.

The Bergen Record in New Jersey noted in an editorial that Anderson marked his 2,000th day in captivity last Wednesday. Anderson was chief Middle East correspondent for the Associated Press when he was captured March 16, 1985 and has been a prisoner for longer than any of the 13 Western hostages.

The Record said Keenan had described Anderson ''pacing a cell in tattered socks, desperate for conversation. He and the others are leading lives of monotony, of dread, of isolation that brings them near the brink of madness.''

Keenan, in his interview with ITN, said he had seen Waite being interviewed on television several times before he went to Lebanon, and knew he was a tall, soft-spoken man.

He also described some of the conditions under which Waite was held.

''He had been kept for a long time in a room in which there was a small generator to generate electricity because the power situation in Lebanon ... they don't have any,'' he said.

''So he was sitting listening to this six hours a day, pounding, pounding, pounding in his ear.''

While Keenan, 39, was held for most of the 4 1/2 years with McCarthy, whom he said helped make their captivity bearable through his wit and mimicry, Waite was held on his own.

Keenan said he thought Waite must be despondent after being in solitary confinement for three years, eight months.

''I think he must be distressed, and he must have very, very black, painful times.''

Keenan said he was hopeful for Waite and McCarthy would be released because his captors had told him before his release three weeks ago that the British hostages could be freed within months, ITN said.

McCarthy and Keenan were taken hostage by an Islamic group in April 1986 after the U.S. bombing of Libya. No one has claimed responsibility for Waite's capture.

A spokesman for the archbishop of Canterbury, Robert Runcie, told ITN Keenan's remarks about Waite were the ''most concrete news'' of Waite the church had received. Spokesman John Lyttle said he believed the news would inspire Runcie to reinforce his efforts to get Waite released.

''There are considerable indications from Tehran that they are anxious now to dispose of this problem altogether, to use their influence to bring about the release of the remaining hostages,'' Lyttle said.

He praised Keenan's ''enormous spirit.''

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FOXBORO, MA (SEPT. 10) UPI - The Foxboro Co. said Monday it has laid off more than 300 employees at its Foxboro headquarters and expects to slash another 500, also mostly in Massachusetts, by the end of the year.

With another 800 jobs to be eliminated in Europe, the cuts represent more than 12 percent of the process equipment maker's worldwide work force of 6,400.

The announcement came only days after the company was sold to Siebe PLC of England.

Siebe also confirmed that it had dismissed Gary K. Willis, the Foxboro president and chief executive officer who negotiated the sale of his company to Siebe.

On Friday the ''roughly some 300 plus people were let go'' in Foxboro, said John C. Fuller, a company spokesman. ''Not too many people in the manufacturing area'' were dismissed, Fuller said. The cuts were ''a lot of overhead people, a lot of types of functions you just don't have when you're a subsidiary of another company ... some finance, some legal people p.r., functions like that,'' he said.

Foxboro has two plants in Foxboro, one in East Bridgewater and a fourth in Plymouth. The Plymouth plant had already been earmarked for closing.

Foxboro also said it will ''out source'' certain components, that is, buy them from other producers rather than continue making them itself. However the company said it will close a manufacturing plant in Redhill, England, and transfer the work and 180 jobs from it to Foxboro, thus reducing the number of U.S. jobs eliminated.

E. Barrie Stephens, chairman of Siebe, said the ''repositioning was absolutely essential for us'' to take advantage of global markets, improve manufacturing, better focus technology and streamline its infrastructure.

In Europe, Foxboro manufacturing operations in Holland and England will be closed and the company's European headquarters moved from Redhill to Germany.

All laid off employees will receive a minimum of six months' severance pay Fuller said.

Stephens said that ''while the path we have chosen is ambitious and initially painful, especially for the people directly impacted, the results of these actions will be improved prosperity and growth. Increased revenues and income will allow us to invest in future technology and capital equipment....''

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LONDON (SEPT. 10) UPI - Stock prices closed higher Monday on the London International Stock Exchange encouraged by better-than-expected provisional retail price figures and the Helsinki summit.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which added 2.0 points Friday, closed up 24.1 points to 2,147.0. The narrower top 30 industrial average gained 16.6 points to 1,655.1.

Volume amounted to around 296 million shares, compared with 332 million shares changing hands Friday.

Analysts said prices were boosted by a favorable report from the Central Statistical Office showing Britain's retail sales volume fell a provisional 1.6 percent in August from July and was up 0.4 percent from August 1989.

Market watchers said the figures were taken as positive, showing consumer spending was coming under control, which would help in the battle against inflation.

In a seperate report, the CSO reported Britain's producer output prices, or prices of manufactured goods, rose 0.2 percent in August from July

while producer input prices, or prices of raw materials and fuels purchased by manufacturing industry, rose an unadjusted 0.8 percent in August from July.

Analysts were expecting input prices to rise 1.2 percent and output prices to have risen 0.4 percent.

Analysts said prices were also helped by the strong performance in Tokyo where stocks posted their sixth-largest daily gain in percentage terms in history.

Although the Middle East overshadows the market, one market watcher noted the show of unity between Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and President Bush in condemning Iraq over the weekend, helped to boost sentiment.

Among the most widely traded stocks, oil stocks slumped as the price of Brent crude oil slid below $30 a barrel.

London Scottish & Marine Oil fell 18 cents to $8.60 under the price slide and on rumors of a large line on offer.

The oil price fall had a beneficial effect on some industrial shares.

Imperial Chemical Industries gained 32 cents to $16.08, while BOC Group gained 34 cents to $8.87.

Grand Metropolitan gained 21 cents to $10.18 in anticipation of a report on its pub-swapping deal with Elders, while Guinness shares advanced 18 cents to $12.65.

Elsewhere in Europe, stocks closed higher in light trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange in what analysts called a purely technical rally.

The weighted German Stock Index or Dax, which gained 5.8 points Friday, gained 37.53 points to 1,600.45.

Market watchers said prices were boosted by the strong performance in Tokyo.

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#90253u1233 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

SANTA ROSA, CA (SEPT. 10) UPI - An abalone diver got an unusual view of a great white shark: from the inside.

''My head was in its mouth,'' Rodney Orr, 49, said. ''I could see the teeth at an angle.''

Orr was on a paddle board in the Pacific Ocean about 25 yards offshore at Russian Gulch Beach near Jenner, Calif., Saturday when a huge shark rammed the board, knocked him off and gripped him in its jaws.

Orr tried to beat off the shark with a spear gun, but didn't fire the device.

''I resorted to being a cave man and clubbed it,'' he said. ''I was beating on him something fierce. I wasn't going to take this sitting down.''

The shark let go and Orr paddled back to shore, suffering only from a few gashes on his face and neck.

''It was a really frightening experience,'' said Orr in his Santa Rosa home, where he was recovering after receiving numerous stitches at a hospital. ''You think you know what is going to happen to you, but then you really don't.''

The shark's mouth was as wide as a man's shoulders, one official said.

Orr, who survived a similar attack several years ago, said his diving hood probably saved him from more serious injuries.

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LONDON (SEPT. 10) UPI - One of the most revered items in the English gentleman's wardrobe has gone the way of Levis, braces and waistcoats.

Girls at Britain's oldest private school, The King's School in Canterbury, are now wearing wing collars. Until the new autumn term, the distinctive stiff turned-up shirt collar worn with the points turned down over the tie was reserved exclusively for boys.

Formerly, the girls were simply required to wear black and white, or sometimes gray, to complement the boys' uniform, which is a black jacket, pinstriped trousers, white shirt, detachable wing collar and black tie.

Now all girls are expected to wear a specially designed uniform: black jacket, pinstriped skirt and the ubiquitous wing collar.

''The new uniform is not as relaxed as the old one, but it is smart,'' said Beverly Tarr, a senior girl. ''Girls used to look scruffy compared to the boys. It is good to look like the boys and keep up the tradition of the school. After all, the wing collar is synonymous with King's.''

Founded in 597 by St. Augustine, The King's School has been educating boys

for nearly 1,400 years. Past pupils include Christopher Marlowe, Somerset Maugham and, more recently, David Gower, a cricketeer.

Girls have been admitted to King's at age 16 for some time, but this year the school has been made fully co-educational with the arrival of 30 13-year-old girls.

The enrollment is 549 boys and 158 girls. Boarding fees are the equivalent of $17,600 a year.

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#90253u1238 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (SEPT. 10) UPI - War, mismanagement and human encroachment has destroyed more than half of Vietnam's forest cover in the last 40 years and Vietnam is looking for international help to stop the destruction, officials said Monday.

The Vietnam News Agency said senior officials from the Vietnamese Ministry of Agriculture and international agencies met with ambassadors from potential donor countries in Hanoi recently to analyze Vietnam's rapid deforestation.

''It was a very probing kind of meeting. We wanted to explain the seriousness of the situation and find out the interest of international donors in helping Vietnam with its environmental difficulties,'' said Y.S. Rao, regional forestry officer for the Food and Agriculture Organization in Bangkok.

Rao, who addressed the meeting, said the initial reaction was positive, but more work is needed to develop specific project proposals.

He said Vietnam, with 57 percent of its territory covered by forest in 1940, now has only about 24 percent forest cover left.

VNA said forests continued to be destroyed at a rate of more than 770 square miles per year.

The agency said years of war and a doubling of the population were to blame for the deforestation. Other Vietnamese sources have blamed government mismanagement and the failure to give peasants any stake in forest lands as other causes.

''The overall ramifications to Vietnam's forest resources are extremely serious: soil erosion leading to flooding, reduction of fuelwood, energy reduction for industrial use, harmful effects on agriculture, to name a few,'' the agency said.

Rao said the lack of forest cover on much of Vietnam's hill country has sharply increased silting of streams and rivers and has also shortened the useful lives of irrigation and hydropower projects.

He blamed part of the problem on ''shifting cultivation'' by hill tribesmen who cut down forests, plant crops for a few years until the soil is exhausted and then move on to new areas.

''Many slopes are completely bare, but dealing with the hill people is a sensitive political problem,'' he said, adding such mobile farmers are operating in some 38,000 square miles of forest.

Defoliants such as ''Agent Orange'' dumped on parts of Vietnam by U.S. forces during the Vietnam War also had a destructive impact, he said.

Rao said the Vietnamese government has accepted the seriousness of the problems and has begun to take action.

One idea under consideration is to lease forest land to private owners on 30-year leases on the condition they reforest the land for commercial sales to timber and paper mills. There are also programs to encourage better watershed management, he said.

Vietnam has joined the Tropical Forestry Action Plan, a grouping of 66 countries working with U.N. organizations to reduce deforestation.

''The Vietnamese understand that deforestation is a long-term threat to their agriculture,'' Rao said.

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#90253u1252 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 10) UPI - The government-controlled council in the white town of Parys cut off all electricity and most water to a neighboring black township Monday in a bid to force payment of arrears in utility bills.

Council Secretary Joop Ferreira said police had been summoned to patrol the increasingly tense township following the decision to cut all electricity and 90 percent of water to the 40,000 residents of Tumahole, outside the conservative Orange Free State province town.

He said Parys ''is not punishing the township residents for being black,'' but could no longer afford to make payments to utility companies on their behalf.

The town's action coincided with the beginning of a sixth week of bloody factional violence in townships around Johannesburg and the death of seven

people overnight.

Police reported stone-throwing and vehicle-burning early Monday in Katlehong township, to the east, and a Katlehong Hospital official said several people were admitted with gunshot wounds.

In Soweto, unknown assailants shot or stabbed the seven to death in Tladi and Naledi suburbs, a police spokesman said. The casualties pushed to 33 the number of people killed in Soweto over a weekend of sporadic battles and to about 600 the death toll since the fighting began Aug. 13.

The strife is unrelated to payment boycotts, but black leader Nelson Mandela will meet with President Frederik de Klerk Tuesday to discuss ways to stabilize townships and ensure a return to peace.

More than 50 townships nationwide have been boycotting service payments for periods ranging from months to years, at a total cost of about $780 million, over allegations that their racially based local administrations provide poor service.

Tumahole is the second township to face cutoffs. The town of Carolina in the northern Transvaal province ended services to Silobela for two days late in August as a warning measure.

Planning and Provincial Affairs Minister Hernus Kriel formally opened the way for mass cutoffs Aug. 30, when he said the government would stop all bridging finance to local authorities for the provision of services to non-paying neighboring communities.

''We simply couldn't afford to support Tumahole any longer,'' Ferreira said, noting the township owed $78,000 in arrears over the past three months.

The seven town councillors, all members of the ruling National Party, ''are not anti-black... it's that the people of Parys will not stand for it if we keep pouring money into Tumohale,'' Ferreira said.

He noted the council held talks through Monday with township representatives. ''They will be taking the issue to the people. But we have given them weeks of warnings.''

Kriel said last month electricity and water cutoffs would be at the discretion of controlling authorities, which could decide what utilities to curtail and when.

Townships have alleged the services they receive are often not worth the payments required and are sometimes administered by officials insensitive to the needs of poverty-stricken residents.

But the government has replied that regardless of the arguments against payment, it can no longer supply finance to boycott-hit authorities and indifinitely pay for services provided.

Kriel noted the government was ''unhappy'' with developments and said, ''This is a financial issue, not a political issue. If you want services you must pay... it is as simple as that.''

Mandela and a high-level delegation of his African National Congress will meet a government team under De Klerk at the Union Buildings government complex in Pretoria to ''focus on the violence'' which killed the seven people overnight, the ANC said Monday.

Emergency rule imposed in the 27 hardest-hit townships straddling Johannesburg Aug. 26 failed to quell the country's worst-ever suburban internecine conflict. Troops and police enforcing effective martial law have since been accused of excess violence and abusing their authority.

Mandela has branded the three-month renewable emergency measures ''totally useless,'' noting a 51-month-old state of emergency in strife- torn Natal province has failed to stem battles between the ANC and Inkatha which since 1987 have killed up to 4,000 people.

But Mandela has refused to meet directly with Inkatha President Mangosuthu Buthelezi, charging the Zulu chief with fomenting the conflict to undermine the ANC's preeminent position among black movements before formal power-sharing talks with the white minority government.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	382.65	232.12	129.68	24.03	323.40
Opening	385.76	234.57	130.70	24.26	326.06
11 a.m.	385.26	234.39	130.46	24.24	325.63
Noon	385.74	234.29	130.39	24.27	325.96
1 p.m.	385.66	234.36	130.38	24.30	325.93

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 10) UPI - Diamond-mining giant De Beers

has reached agreement with the National Union of Mineworkers on a wage package providing for wage increases of up to 17 percent for some 10,000 workers, De Beers said Monday.

The agreement raises the lowest level wages by 17 percent to a minimum of $300 from $247 per month and highest skilled worker categories received a 16 percent increase.

The deal covers 10,000 workers, most of them represented by the NUM, at five De Beers mines and a geological research section.

De Beers, which mines gem and industrial diamonds, also markets through the Central Selling Organization more than 85 percent of the world's diamond production.

The annual increase put De Beer's lowest paid workers over minimum wage standards in South Africa. NUM, regarded as a prime mover in the push for a statutory minimum wage, already has adopted the minimum wage of $272 as policy.

Independent labor analysts estimate household subsistence levels at $259.

Annual wage negotiations between De Beers and the NUM briefly broke down in 1989, triggering eight days of national strike action - the first in the company's history.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - Dow Jones Averages - 1 p.m.

30 Indus	2648.76	up	29.21
20 Trans	923.08	up	14.80
15 Utils	201.21	up	0.32
65 Stock	920.35	up	9.89

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Indexes - 1 p.m.

Composite	178.75	up	1.24
Industrial	224.11	up	1.63
Transport	142.33	up	1.67
Utility	83.64	up	0.36
Finance	125.74	up	1.01

Equivalent to a gain of 22 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 66,130,000 shares.

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#90253u1264 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEWPORT, RI (SEPT. 10) UPI - A judge Monday sent a 77-year-old woman to prison until she reveals the whereabouts of two granddaughters who have been missing for five years.

Superior Court Judge Mark A. Pfeiffer signed an order that will keep Mary Pigeon of Warwick in jail until she produces Kimberly and Kelly Ann Yates or provides the identities of those who know where the children are, a court clerk said.

Pigeon was sent to the women's unit of the state prison complex.

Pigeon's daughter, Elaine Yates, took the children from their Warwick home in August 1985. Kimberly was 3 at the time, and Kelly Ann was 10 months. Yates' husband, Russell Yates Jr., filed a civil suit against Pigeon in the hope of finding his children.

Pfeiffer told Pigeon last month she would be imprisoned if she did not say where the children are, but Pigeon stuck to her contention that she does not know. The judge has concluded Pigeon does know where the children are and the state Supreme Court has backed him up.

At an Aug. 15 hearing, Pigeon's lawyer, Daniel Schrock, said his client was scared about going to jail, and he hoped Elaine Yates would contact Pigeon and somehow settle the matter.

Russell Yates said he was pleased with the prospect of Pigeon going to prison, but doubted that his mother-in-law would relent unless her daughter tells her to do so.

''She'll sit (in prison) until hell freezes over,'' he said.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - ESPN, without a president and chief executive officer since Roger Werner unexpectedly resigned Aug. 29, will promote Steve Bornstein to the cable network's top spot, United Press International learned Monday.

Television sources said Bornstein, ESPN's executive vice president for programming and production, will take over the largest basic cable network with more than 56 million subscribers.

Bornstein, 38, was overseeing the network's program acquistions and scheduling, programming, ''SportsCenter'' news and highlight shows, engineering and operations departments. He joined ESPN early in 1980 as program coordination manager and became the No. 1 production presence in May 1988.

Under Bornstein, ESPN has won five Emmy and 13 ACE awards for cable broadcast excellence.

Werner, the president and CEO for two seasons, resigned to head Prime Ventures Inc., a new company being formed by television sports mogul Bill Daniels.

Werner's resignation came on the heels of unexpected losses in ESPN's first year of a four-season, $400 million baseball package. Werner now predicts a loss of $40 million this season, about $10 million more than the original forecast.

ESPN, which began televising NFL games in 1987, says it will break even this year on its football investment. The decade-old network paid $446 million for three years of half-season coverage.

''We have a group of people at ESPN who love what they're doing, and we will continue to capitalize on that,'' Bornstein said before the baseball season.

The network, which had pretax 1989 earnings of more than $100 million, expects profits short of that number.

''ESPN is extremely well positioned to have another 10 years of growth, at least,'' Werner said.

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#90253u1331 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - NASA managers could set a new launch date for the shuttle Columbia as early as today now that engineers have replaced leaking fuel pumps aboard the spacecraft. The managers are optimistic Columbia will be ready for another blastoff attempt around September 17th... ending a four-month launch drought.

Convicted double murderer Charles Troy Coleman was executed by lethal injection early today at an Oklahoma prison. The 43-year-old Coleman was the first person executed in that state in 24 years. He requested that several passages be read from the Bible before he was put to death.

Governor James Thompson of Illinois today refused a clemency petition for condemned killer Charles Walker, saying Walker himself has made clear that

he wants to die. The 50-year-old Walker is scheduled to die by lethal injection at 1:01 a-m Wednesday for killing a couple during a 1983 robbery.

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board announced today that mass murderer Richard Speck's petition for parole had been denied without comment. Speck was convicted of killing eight student nurses in Chicago 24 years ago... a crime that shocked the nation. He cannot re-apply for a parole again before September 1993.

A couple of economics researchers at Florida State University of Tallahassee report that most drug abusers apparently are NOT driven by their addictions to commit violent crimes or property crimes. They say a study they conducted for the Florida Legislature disclosed that the drug abusers may be NO more of a threat to society than people who use alcohol.

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#90253u1337 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

JAKARTA, INDONESIA (SEPT. 10) UPI - In the first major breakthrough aimed at ending the 11-year-old Cambodian conflict, the warring factions agreed Monday to unify behind a new United Nations seat and endorsed the world body's peace plan.

Although resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk unexpectedly announced he is taking a six-month leave of absence for reasons of health, his three-party coalition and Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen unanimously supported the formation of a Supreme National Council.

It would embody Cambodian sovereignity and hold the U.N. seat prior to free elections.

''We have now entered a new era when a comprehensive political settlement can be achieved,'' said Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas, who had hosted three unsuccessful peace conferences in Jakarta and co-hosted the international talks in Paris last year.

''A lot of work is still ahead,'' Alatas stressed, and called for the reconvening of the Paris conference.

After two days of negotiations, Hun Sen and Sihanouk's coalition supported equal representation of six members each for the resistance and the Phnom Penh government on the council, plus an option for an elected chairman as the 13th member. The formula provides each of Sihanouk's factions, including the Khmer Rouge, with two members.

Previously, the resistance designated five seats for Phnom Penh and five for each of Sihanouk's parties, a formula rejected by Hun Sen.

Holding up the agreement, Hun Sen declared, ''This document is the best we have ever achieved.''

Formation of the council took on particular urgency with the U.N. General Assembly opening Sept. 18. The seat is currently held by the resistance, but the United States in July withdrew diplomatic recognition out of fear the militarily superior Khmer Rouge could return to power.

''The way has now been paved for the Paris conference to resume and to finish its work,'' said Edwige Avice, French deputy foreign minister and co-host of the Jakarta meeting. ''Finally peace in Cambodia seems to be accessible.''

The council is an essential part of the plan approved by the five permanent members of the U.N. security council last month. Worked out by the United States, Britain, China, France and the Soviet Union, the blueprint for peace includes provisions for separation and disarmament of all forces in Cambodia and a major U.N. supervisory role in running the country pending elections.

''The Cambodian parties accepted the framework document in its entirety as the basis for settling the Cambodian conflict,'' said a joint statement.

The mercurial Sihanouk, 67-year-old head of the rebel factions fighting the Hanoi and Soviet-backed Phnom Penh government, cited poor health for his sudden leave of absence. From his residence in Beijing, he said his son, Prince Norodom Ranariddh, will assume his duties.

The former monarchs coalition includes his own followers, those of former Prime Minister Son Sann and the Khmer Rouge, blamed for the deaths of 1 million Cambodians during their four-year rule prior to the Vietnamese invasion in 1978. The United States provides aid to the non- communist factions of Sihanouk and Son Sann, while China arms the Khmer Rouge.

Althrough Ranariddh said his father made it clear he will not become a member of the council or accept the chairmanship, Khieu Samphan insisted Sihanouk was the man to head the body.

''There is no other person than Sihanouk who can make it work,'' he told a news conference.

Sihanouk reportedly had a heated argument with Chinese Premier Li Peng over Li's refusal to attend the crucial Jakarta session,

Long known for his rapid reversals of position, frequent resignations and leaves of absence, Sihanouk has often resorted to seemingly flighty switches as part of a tactical game meant to maintain his influence.

He announced Saturday he was too sick with kidney stones to fly to Jakarta, bringing skepticism from Hun Sen, who arrived on the condition Sihanouk would participate.

Despite five resignations or long leaves of absence as head of the rebel coalition, Sihanouk is still regarded in international circles as the only person capable of unifying war-torn Cambodia.

Sihanouk first headed to Beijing in 1970, shortly after he was deposed by the U.S.-supported Lon Nol. He returned to Phnom Penh in 1976, only to become the prisoner of the Khmer Rouge. He was not freed until hours before Vietnamese invasion forces entered Phnom Penh in January 1979, and headed back to Beijing.

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#90253u1353 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - President Bush announced Monday that he is nominating Washington lawyer Frederick Porter Hitz to fill the new position of inspector general of the CIA.

Hitz, 50, served as legislative counsel to the director of the CIA from 1978 to 1982. He also held the post of deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs from 1975 until 1977. Hitz is a managing partner with the law firm of Schwabe, Williamson and Wyatt.

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#90253u1362 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW (SEPT. 10) UPI - The Soviet Union, the principal supplier of oil and natural gas to Eastern Europe, Monday said it will cut exports to Poland next year due to a drop in production and because greater control of natural resources is being shifted to individual Soviet republics.

''The Soviet planning commission has informed that because of an anticipated considerable drop in the production of fuels ... it is estimated that only 34 million tons of oil can be exported (to all countries),'' said a statement by Deputy Foreign Trade Minister Stanislaw Amanowicz.

Earlier, a government official said the Soviets wanted to reduce its oil exports to Poland - fixed at 12.8 million tons this year - practically to zero. Each ton equals roughly 7 barrels.

That would cost Poland another $3 billion to $4 billion in addition to the losses of supplies from Iraq because of the U.N. embargo imposed in the wake of the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The statement did not indicate what Poland's final share of the Soviet exports would be.

The Soviet Union cited changed relations between the central government and the individual Soviet republics concerning foreign contacts and suggested that Polish officials deal directly with the republics.

Amanowicz said the Foreign Trade Ministry is making arrangements to establish contacts with the republics with regard to oil, natural gas and also other raw materials.

Moscow is behind in its contractual deliveries of oil and gas this year by about 30 percent and there is little hope the situation will change in coming months.

It has been estimated that 1990 Soviet crude-oil production will decline 600,000 barrels a day from 1989's level to 11.5 million to 11.6 million barrels daily.

The Soviets need western technology and help in finding new oil fields and raising output from old ones.

A group of U.S. businessmen are in Moscow this week to explore possible joint ventures that could eventually increase Soviet production.

Amanowicz also said the Soviet government could only commit itself to 183.6 million cubic feet of natural gas, a sharp drop of 35 percent from this year's contracted delivery of 282.4 million cubic feet.

The Polish government was told to negotiate directly with the republics in this area as well.

Andrzej Charlemagne, spokesman for Poland's Planning Office, said the Soviets indicated during recent business talks in Moscow their desire to completely abandon exports to Poland of oil products - diesel oil, gasoline and others - of which 2.2 million tons were scheduled for this year.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - A blues musician who began his career in backstreet dance halls and an actress who once mended her own costumes in backroom theaters in London were honored on center stage at the White House Monday.

B.B. King and Jessica Tandy were among 12 individuals and one corporation presented the National Medal of Arts by President and Barbara Bush for

their career accomplishments in encouraging the arts through achievement or support.

Others honorees were: Hume Cronyn and George Francis Abbott, both actors and directors; opera singer Beverly Sills; choreographer Merce Cunningham; painters Jasper Johns and Jacob Lawrence and landscape architect Ian McHarg.

''Taken together, today's honorees represent an apparently inexhaustible reserve of creativity,'' Bush said in an East Room ceremony that was followed by a White House luncheon.

''Each is a trailblazer,'' the president said, ''an authentic pioneer who literally helped shape his or her art form.''

In addition to the nine artists, four patrons were also honored. They were: Harris and Carroll Masterson of Houston; David Lloyd Kreeger of Washington, D.C., and Southwestern Bell Corp. of St. Louis.

This is the sixth year of the award that was proposed by President Ronald Reagan, a former actor, and approved by Congress. It is administered, in part, by the National Endowment for the Arts.

This year's recipients included a married couple, Tandy and Cronyn. Tandy, who received an Oscar for her performance last year in ''Driving Miss Daisy,''could not attend the affair so her husband accepted the medal on her behalf.

Bush interrupted his prepared remarks to say: ''I probably shouldn't do this, but I might tell you of a frustration, not an overwhelming frustration, but a frustration that I have.''

''I think that Barbara Bush is secretly in love with Hume Cronyn,'' he said, drawing laughter from the gathering of about 100 people and prompting the first lady to smile and nod.

Cronyn, playing to the crowd, stood and took a bow.

''There they go again,'' Bush howled.

The president noted that this year's recipients come from across the country, many from small towns, and that three were foreign born.

''Today, they are Americans all, striving for the creation of beauty,'' he said. ''They helped define America ... as one of the cultural giants of the world.''

''Most had humble beginnings,'' he said. ''I think of Jessica Tandy sewing

her own costumes in a backroom theater in Soho (in London, of) B.B. King touring backstreet bars and dance halls - on the road for over 20 years before most Americans would ever even hear his name.''

Five of this year's recipients - Tandy, Cronyn, Sills, Cunningham and Johns - now live in New York City. Abbott is from Forrestville, N.Y., King lives in Las Vegas, Lawrence is from Seattle and McHarg lives in Unionville, Pa.

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#90253u1377 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (SEPT. 10) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker, bolstered by the results of Sunday's superpower summit, Monday urged NATO allies to send ground troops to the Persian Gulf to contribute to the U.S. military deployment, but received no promises.

''We would welcome additional ground-based forces in the region should any of the countries see fit to send them,'' Baker said after addressing a meeting of NATO foreign ministers. ''We would welcome them even if only symbolic.''

NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner said the alliance's foreign ministers gave a ''favorable response'' to a long list of Gulf aid requests from Baker, but gave no vows of additional ground forces.

''In his discussions with President Bush, President Gorbachev reaffirmed his commitment to seeing the Iraqi aggression undone,'' Baker said of Sunday's summit in Helsinki, Finland. ''Around the table today, our NATO colleagues also stood united behind the principle of no partial solutions.''

Woerner said the NATO allies ''unanimously and very strongly welcomed the results of the summit meeting in Helsinki.''

Members of the U.S. Congress have urged America's European allies to send ground troops to the Gulf to demonstrate their commitment to forcing Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

Britain and France have already sent ''ground-based forces'' to the Gulf, and NATO member Turkey also has large numbers of ground troops in the region, Baker said.

The U.S. secretary of state said he had received promises of aid from Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates totalling $12 billion through the end of the year.

Half the money, or $6 billion, will directly offset costs of the U.S.

military deployment, with much of it representing ''in-kind'' contributions like food and water. In testimony to Congress last week, Baker said the Pentagon's additional costs this year from the deployment would be about $6 billion.

Other money from the oil-rich states will go largely to helping Egypt, Jordan and Turkey, three countries particularly harmed by economic sanctions on Iraq.

Baker, who was slated to fly from Brussels to Moscow late Monday, also announced he would have Gulf crisis talks on Friday in Syria, a country long on the U.S. list of nations supporting terrorism.

Baker said President George Bush asked him to go to Damascus, because Syria's opposition to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait graphically ''illustrates the isolation of Saddam Hussein.''

The plea for ground troops was just one item on an eight-point list of requests from Baker to NATO allies during a briefing on Sunday's superpower summit in Helsinki.

''There was a unanimous conviction that still more can and will be done'' by the NATO allies, said Woerner.

He said the foreign ministers pledged ''they will not budge one iota'' in seeking complete and unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait through ''watertight'' sanctions on Baghdad.

Among Baker's other requests of NATO allies were additional airlift and sealift support, extension of naval forces into the eastern Mediterranean to protect the southern flank, help for refugees in Jordan and stepped-up enforcement of sanctions.

He also urged financial assistance to Turkey, Egypt and eastern European countries harmed by sanctions on Iraq, and asked that NATO's Civil Emergency Planning committee help coordinate sealift and airlift help from Europe.

Baker said West Germany, Greece, Belgium and Denmark pledged additional airlift or sealift support, to help transport troops or equipment to the Gulf, or to evacuate refugees. Britain, Italy and Portugal offered ships last week to help transport U.S. troops and equipment to the Gulf, but American officials have been disappointed with the overall European response.

Baker was slated to fly on to Moscow and Syria following the meeting at NATO headquarters.

The meeting of alliance foreign ministers is the second since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2 during a dispute over boundaries and oil production.

On Aug. 10, the foreign ministers agreed to adopt U.N. sanctions against Iraq, but took no joint military action due to NATO's restriction against ''out-of-area'' activity.

The out-of-area doctrine, part of the Western alliance's 1949 charter, has been challenged in recent weeks by U.S. officials, who seek a broader interpretation of what constitutes a security threat to NATO members.

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LONDON (SEPT. 10) UPI - An explosion damaged an army recruiting office in a shopping center in Derby Monday, police said.

Derbyshire Police said preliminary investigations indicated the explosion was caused by a bomb placed on a rooftop in Derby, 135 miles northwest of London. An army recruiting center and an adjacent seven- story building were extensively damaged.

No one was injured but debris was showered on the few people who were in the area when the blast occurred at 9:15 a.m., police said.

An army bomb disposal unit was called in to search the shopping center for additional devices.

The attack was suspected by police to be part of the outlawed Irish Republican Army's campaign to drive British troops out of Northern Ireland so that it can be united with the Irish Republic.

Increasingly, the IRA has struck targets on the British mainland. In July, an IRA car bomb killed Ian Gow, a prominent Conservative Party member of Parliament and a strident critic of the IRA.

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ATHENS, GREECE (SEPT. 10) UPI - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz flew home from Tehran Monday after a one-day visit during which the two sides discussed the Gulf crisis and agreed to resume diplomatic ties, the official Islamic Republic News Agency said.

Aziz, who met Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani before his departure, was accompanied by Iraqi Oil Minister Issam Abdul Rahim Chalabi and a high-ranking Iraqi delegation.

An IRNA dispatch monitored in Athens said Aziz held talks with Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati, and the Iraqi visitor ''called for the restoration of diplomatic ties'' and the reopening of the Iranian and Iraqi embassies in Baghdad and Tehran.

The Iraqi news agency later said an agreement had been reached to re-establish ties.

Diplomatic relations between the two sies were broken toward the end of the undeclared 1980-88 Gulf war, and the embassies remained open even while the war raged.

Aziz left Tehran in early afternoon for Baghdad after the one-day trip, the first by a high-ranking Iraqi official since the Islamic revolution of 1979.

Sunday, Aziz held 2 1/2 hours of discussions with Velayati. The two officials focused on the gulf crisis and on efforts to establish a durable peace between Iran and Iraq after eight years of war between 1980 and 1988.

Chalabi held separate discussions with Iranian Oil Minister Gholamreza Aqazadeh and the two oil officials were also present at the foreign ministers' meeting. There was no immediate explanation for Chalabi's presence in Tehran.

An earlier report from Tehran hinted Iraq would ask Iran to break U.N. Security Council sanctions and provide a conduit for some Iraqi oil exports, but there was no immediate confirmation this was discussed.

Iran last month pledged to comply with U.N. sanctions against Iraq for invading Kuwait, but Ayatollah Mohammad Yazdi, a leading Iranian cleric, suggested Iran fall out of step with the rest of the world in applying the sanctions.

IRNA quoted Yazdi as saying ''political disputes and even the issue of war should not overshadow humanitarian considerations such as the health of children and the security of civilians.''

Last week, the Tehran Times, an English-language newspaper that normally reflects Rafsanjani's views, said Iran may assist Iraq with food and medicines. The newspaper said food and medicines were not included in the U.N. sanctions.

Iranian First Vice President Hassan Habibi however said Sunday: ''Iraq should withdraw from Kuwait unconditionally,'' and the Iraq- Kuwait dispute should be settled through negotiations.

''The international borders (between Iraq and Kuwait) should on principle

remain valid and we will not accept any change in the geographical status of the region,'' Habibi said.

Aziz's visit took place at Baghdad's request. The Iraqi media played down the trip and the state-owned Iraqi News Agency waited 24 hours before saying Aziz was in Tehran.

The Iraqi foreign minister invited Velayati to make an official visit to Baghdad, but Iran did not immediately say if it accepted the invitation.

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BOISE, ID (SEPT. 10) UPI - The mother and wife of hostage Jesse ''Jon'' Turner said Monday they are hopeful the Boise native will be released by his Islamic captors in Lebanon during the family's three month reunion in Boise.

''There have been a lot of rumors that there's a possibility that they may release the hostages from Beirut due to the fact that they are not as valuable as bargaining agents as they used to be because we have so many more hostages at the present time and we're hoping that will come true,'' said Estelle Ronneburg, Turner's mother who lives in Boise.

Bader Turner, Jesse Turner's wife said she came to Boise from Dubai, United Arab Emirates, to see her husband.

''I have the feeling he will be released while I'm here,'' Bader said.

Despite her confidence, Bader said she plans to return to her home in Beirut after her stay in Idaho.

''Most probably I'm going back to Beirut,'' Bader said, indicating it was time to return to her home after staying for the past several months with her brother in Dubai. But Bader indicated that if her husband is released during the next several weeks, returning to Beirut would be unlikely.

Turner, 42, is being held along with Alan Steen, 50, of Boston by the Organization of Islamic Jihad for the Liberation of Palestine.

Turner was among four U.S. professors, including Robert Polhill and Indian-born Mitheleshwar Singh, who were abducted by armed men disguised as policemen at the American-affiliated Beirut Unitersity College. Both Singh and Polhill have since been released by their captors.

Twelve Westerners are believed to still be held by Moslem terrorist groups in Lebanon; six Americans, four Britons, two West Germans and an Italian.

Turner, who was captured in Beirut on Jan. 24, 1987, has never seen his daughter Joanne, and the reunion gave Ronneburg her first opportunity to see her 3-year-old granddaughter in person.

Since Bader and Joanne Turner's arrival in Boise Saturday, Ronneburg said the family has been mostly talking and looking at pictures, ''catching up'' on each others lives.

And seeing her granddaughter for the first time was a joy for Ronneburg.

''All I've seen in the past is pictures and, well, I can look at her and see quite a bit of my son in her and that makes it even better,'' Ronneburg said.

Bader Turner said the reunion has been emotional rollercoaster, much like her feelings throughout the past three and a half years. At times she has been very happy while spending time with Ronneburg and her husband Eugene - but at times she is very sad when thinking about her husband.

''For half an hour, I'm happy, then for a half an hour I'm sad,'' Bader said.

The whole family will stay in the Ronneburg's East Boise home for the next two to three months.

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SEOUL, South Korea (SEPT. 10) UPI - Opposition legislators boycotted the opening ceremony of a National Assembly session Monday and said they will stay away from the one-house parliament unless the government party accepts their demands for political reform.

Opposition lawmakers called on the the ruling Democratic Liberal Party to annul 26 laws it rammed through the National Assembly on July 14.

Kim Dae Jung and 78 other opposition legislators resigned to protest that move, but National Assembly speaker Park Jyun-kyu Friday sent back their letters of resignation and urged them to return to parliament.

Kim's Party for Peace and Democracy said Monday the ruling party must apologize for the ''unlawful'' legislation and take disciplinary actions against those who are responsible for the controversy.

The smaller opposition Democratic Party whose eight lawmakers joined Kim's party in the walkout said the ruling party should not only apologize but also agree to dissolve the current assembly and call new elections.

The 26 laws included one placing the entire armed forces under a unified command and another designed to restructure the nation's broadcast system.

The opposition has said the command realignment could weaken civilian control over the military and the broadcast restructuing will put networks under government control.

The government has said the new command system was needed to meet changes in the military situation and the broadcast reorganization was designed to accommodate demands for more varied information and improve management of the existing networks.

The current assembly session must approve a government budget bill for 1991.

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BUCHAREST, ROMANIA (SEPT. 10) UPI - The former commander of the Securitate, ex-dictator Nicolae Ceausescu's dreaded secret police, went on trial Monday for allegedly directing the slaughter of anti-government protesters during the December uprising.

Gen. Iulian Vlad, who faces a charge of complicity in genocide, is one of the highest-ranking military officers of the Ceausescu regime to face trial since the dictator was overthrown and executed Dec. 22.

As chief of the State Security Department, he allegedly ordered Securitate units to fire on demonstrators and rebellious army troops who took to the streets to demand Ceausescu's ouster. More than 1,000 people died in the violence.

The military tribunal presiding over the case heard arguments Monday for combining Vlad's trial with that of a group of more than 20 top-ranking members of the Ceausescu government facing trial on related charges.

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MCALESTER, OK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Convicted double murderer Charles Troy Coleman was put to death early Monday by injection, becoming the first person executed in Oklahoma in 24 years.

Coleman, 43, the son of a sharecropper, was given the injection at 12:25 a.m. and pronounced dead at 12:35 a.m.

''Just tell everyone I love them and I have peace and quiet heart,'' Coleman said in his last statement. He requested that several Bible verses

be read before the injection began.

At 12:26 a.m. he turned to one of his attorneys, Mandy Welch, and mouthed, ''I love you,'' before closing his eyes and taking two or three deep breaths.

Coleman was the first person in Oklahoma to be executed by lethal injection and the 138th person in the United States to be put to death since the Supreme Court restored the death penalty in 1976. The state's last execution, in 1966, was by electric chair.

The Supreme Court refused twice Sunday to consider appeals filed by Coleman's lawyer. Among the eight justices now on the court, only death penalty opponent Thurgood Marshall dissented both times. Justice Harry Blackmun was listed as not participating in either decision.

Coleman's lawyers filed more than 20 unsuccessful appeals in five courts to overturn his sentence. He was moved at 7 a.m. Sunday from his death row cell to an 8- by 15-foot holding cell next to the execution chamber.

The holding cell contains a metal cot with a mattress, sheets, a shower stall and a steel toilet-sink unit.

Coleman was sentenced to death for the February 1979 shotgun killing of a man during a burglary in Muskogee. John Seward and his wife, Roxie, were fatally shot when they surprised Coleman as he burglarized the home of Seward's sister.

He was sentenced to death in October 1979 for the husband's slaying, but was never prosecuted in the death of the wife.

Coleman was captured several hours after the killings, but escaped from jail while awaiting trial. He later allegedly overpowered a police officer in Luther, Okla., and slashed his throat.

The officer survived, but Coleman later used the sidearm he stole from the officer to kill a man in Sand Springs, near Tulsa, and steal his car. Coleman finally was captured in Arizona and also was convicted of murder in the Sand Springs case.

More than 100 protesters of Oklahoma's death penalty rallied Saturday on the steps of the state Capitol. Oklahoma City's Roman Catholic Archbishop Charles A. Salatka delivered to Gov. Henry Bellmon's office Friday an appeal for clemency on behalf of Pope John Paul II.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - Reading Down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Canadian Western Bk (3rd Q 7-31)	
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$412,000 (.10)	$663,000 (.17)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Empire Co (1st Q 7-31)	
$515,497,000	$448,906,000
$9,324,000 (.16)	$9,706,000 (.19)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Entronics (4th Q 4-31)	
$7,138,000	$880,000
d-$457,000	d-$91,000
d-Deficit.	
Heinz H J Co (1st Q 8-1)	
$1,559,243,000	$1,451,949,000
$143,237,000 (.54)	$126,546,000 (.48)
Henley Intl (3rd Q 7-31)	
$6,880,000	$4,697,000
$380,000 (.14)	$169,000 (.10)
Mark's Work Warehse (2nd Q 7-28)	
$48,473,000	$44,923,000
d-$2,546,000	d-$117,000
d-Deficit.	
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
d-Deficit.	
Mayflower Co-Op Bk (1st Q 7-31)	
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$45,000 (.05)	$130,000 (.15)
Newport Corp (4th Q 7-31)	
$16,138,000	$14,632,000
$1,215,000 (.16)	a-$1,741,000 (.21)
a-includes gain on sale of investment equal to (.04).	
T Cell Sciences (1st Q 7-31)	
$2,706,000	$2,089,000
d-$987,000	d-$637,000
d-Deficit.	

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RALEIGH, N.C. (SEPT. 10) UPI - A new variety of soybean is outproducing the Southeast's common varieties and promises to give farmers a greater yield for their investment, a state plant specialist said Monday.

Field tests showed the new variety, called Brim, surpassed Young, the state's most popular kind, by about 6 percent in crop yields.

''If enough farmers grow it, it might increase the overall yield of the crop,'' said Joe Burton, a U.S. Department of Agriculture plant breeder and faculty member at N.C. State University's Department of Crop Science, where the breed was developed.

''The thing is, there are so many different varieties being grown, it's difficult to expect that one will have a huge impact,'' said Burton. ''But for farmers who use (Brim), it should help them, give them a boost in yield that they would normally have.''

Field tests conducted over four years show Brim averaged 48.6 bushels an acre in comparison to Young's 46.6 bushels an acre. Asgrow 6785 averaged 46.6 bushels an acre and Leflore had a yield of 41.1 bushels an acre.

Seed producers will begin growing the new variety next year, and farmers can purchase Brim seed by 1992, Burton said.

North Carolina devotes 1.5 million acres to growing soybeans - more land than any other crop. The 1989 crop of 41.9 million bushels reaped about $232 million.

The higher-yield Brim may not have an impact on price initially, but it will save farmers money by giving them more for their work, said Burton.

''It's more yield for same amount of input,'' he said.

North Carolina exports about half its soybean crop, which is used for cooking oil, livestock and pet foods and human dietary products.

Brim, in comparison to other varieties, produces a greater protein, which will make better oil and food products, said Burton.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 10) UPI - Engineers replaced three suspect fuel pumps aboard the grounded shuttle Columbia Monday, presumably eliminating

a hydrogen leak and clearing the way for yet another launch attempt next week, officials said.

On nearby launch pad 39B, meanwhile, a two-day practice countdown began Monday for the shuttle Discovery, with engineers recommending the ship be launched as is around Oct. 5, despite a slow leak in a critical cooling system.

While Discovery's mission to launch the European Ulysses solar probe is NASA's highest priority, agency managers are especially eager to get Columbia off the pad and into orbit around Sept. 17 to end a four-month launch hiatus.

Columbia's seven-man crew was grounded last week when sensors detected hydrogen gas leaking into the ship's engine room the night before liftoff. Engineers believe the leak came from a package of small pumps used to keep hydrogen circulating through critical engine systems before launch.

The suspect pumps were removed over the weekend and replaced with a spare package.

While initial tests on the original pumps failed to duplicate the leak blamed for grounding the spaceship last week, NASA officials were optimistic more extensive checks at the Johnson Space Center in Houston would resolve the issue once and for all.

''They didn't find a thing,'' NASA spokeswoman Lisa Malone said of tests on the original pump package. ''We shipped it out last night. The new one is in, it's been bolted down and we're making the final connections.''

If all goes well, Columbia's oft-interrupted countdown could resume at 1 a.m. EDT Friday for a launch attempt at 1:27 a.m. Sept. 17, more than three months behind schedule because of repeated fuel leaks and trouble with an on-board telescope.

The Air Force, meanwhile, is believed to be gearing up to launch a powerful unmanned Titan 4 rocket from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station. Launch had been scheduled for around Sept. 17, but whether the flight might be moved up a few days or delayed until after Columbia's flight was not immediately clear.

As for Discovery, launch preparations slipped into high gear Monday with the start of a practice countdown that sets the stage for blast off next month the $750 million Ulysses mission.

Discovery's five-man crew - commander Richard ''Dick'' Richards, 44, co-pilot Robert Cabana, 41, Bruce Melnick, 40, William Shepherd, 41, and Thomas Akers, 39 - reviewed emergency procedures Monday and planned to

climb aboard the shuttle Tuesday for the final hours of the mock countdown.

Engineers decided Monday to recommend that Discovery be cleared for flight as is, without making major repairs to fix a leak in one of the ship's two cooling systems.

To accomplish its mission, Ulysses must be launched between Oct. 5 and Oct. 23 or the flight will have to be delayed for 13 months. It already is running four years late because of the Challenger disaster and the mission currently is NASA's top priority.

Given such a tight, 18-day launch period, or ''window,'' NASA wants to have Discovery ready for takeoff as close to Oct. 5 as possible in case any problems come up at the last minute - a common occurrence for the space agency in recent months.

Over the past two weeks, more than 10 percent of the ship's Freon supply has seeped away because of a leak in one of Discovery's two cooling systems.

To find out if the leak will worsen in flight, engineers deliberately over-pressurized the system overnight Sunday. After debating the issue Monday, they decided test data showed the leak would not get worse in flight and that Discovery could be safely launched without any major repairs.

''They're going to recommend ... flying it as is,'' said NASA spokesman James Hartsfield. ''They're still going to watch it ... and see if it changes any. The test points to the fact that they have a constant, slow leak that is one we can fly with. The only concern was that it could grow. As it is ... it could triple in size and we wouldn't have a problem in flght so we have a lot of leeway.''

It was not immediately clear whether shuttle program director Robert Crippen and other top NASA managers would go along with that recommendation.

The space shuttle uses Freon refrigerant to carry away the heat produced by the ship's myriad electrical systems. Without such a cooling system, the shuttle's electrical systems could fail and the crew would be unable to make a safe landing.

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WARSAW, Poland (SEPT. 10) UPI - The fourth trip of Pope John Paul II to his homeland next year will be his first in free Poland and its leadership will no longer fear his message, Cardinal Jozef Glemp said Monday.

In an interview with the news agency PAP, Glemp said the papal visit will for the first time include participation of the army, police and other institutions whose inclusion was not possible under communist rule.

''The authorities will no longer fear what the pope will say, whether he will not do some harm or go half-a-step too far,'' Glemp said, adding that authorities need no longer pay attention to ''what will the (East Bloc) neighbors say.''

The free atmosphere in turn will lead to ''openness to what the pope will try to tell us, to the spiritual values of his message,'' he said.

On his previous visits, John Paul was careful not to unduly antagonize the communist leadership, for example by not referring directly to the then-banned Solidarity union.

The pope will actually make two visits to Poland next year - in early May, on the 200th anniversary of the proclamation of a democratic constitution in Poland, and the second Aug. 14-15 for a world rally of youth.

The Polish primate said the papal visit will also provide the setting for the first meeting ever of bishops from Germany and Poland, including those of other faiths.

''We have to project a new vision for the years to come and the two churches of both nations can do a lot in this respect,'' he said. ''With this idea in mind we intend to organize a meeting of the episcopates of the two countries, including the Catholic episcopate, the evangelical (faith) and Protestants.''

The papal visit will take place near the 25th anniversary of a letter by Polish bishops to German bishops which paved the way for the reconcilation of both nations. In the letter, the Polish bishops said, ''We forgive, and ask your forgiveness.''

Poland suffered more casualties and damage than any nation except Germany itself as a result of the Nazi attack on Poland that started World War II.

John Paul's fourth visit will coincide with the 200th anniverary of the May 3 constitution, which was modeled on the U.S. constitution and outlined democratic reforms in Poland.

Its progressive elements alarmed Poland's neighbors - Prussia, Russia and Austria - and two years later they partitioned the country off the map. Poland lost its independence for 123 years until the armistice of Nov. 11, 1918, that ended World War I.

The pope will be in the holy shrine of Czestochowa Aug. 14-15 to attend the world rally of youth.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 10) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.61	2.67 3/4	2.60	2.67 3/4	2.62 3/4
Dec	2.78	2.84	2.75 3/4	2.83 1/2	2.79 3/4
Mar	2.90 1/2	2.96	2.88	2.95	2.92 1/4
May	2.95	3.03	2.95	3.03	2.98 1/4
Jly	3.00	3.08 1/2	3.00	3.08	3.03 1/2
Sep	3.11	3.11	3.11	3.11	3.07 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.37	2.40 1/2	2.35	2.39 1/2	2.38 3/4
Dec	2.32	2.35 3/4	2.30	2.34 1/4	2.34
Mar	2.41	2.44 1/4	2.39	2.43 3/4	2.43
May	2.47 3/4	2.51	2.46	2.49 1/2	2.49 1/2
Jly	2.51 1/2	2.54 3/4	2.50 1/2	2.53 3/4	2.53 1/2
Sep	2.52	2.53	2.51 1/2	2.52 1/2	2.53
Dec	2.51 1/2	2.53 1/4	2.51	2.53	2.53 1/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.07 1/2	1.07 1/2	1.06	1.07 1/4	1.08 1/2
Dec	1.17 1/2	1.17 1/2	1.15 1/2	1.17 1/4	1.19
Mar	1.28 1/4	1.29	1.27	1.28 1/2	1.30 1/4
May	1.34 1/2	1.35 1/2	1.34	1.35	1.36 3/4
Jly	1.40 1/2	1.41	1.40 1/2	1.41	1.42 3/4
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	6.07	6.19 1/2	6.05 1/2	6.19 1/2	6.12 1/4
Nov	6.21 1/2	6.33	6.18 1/2	6.32 1/4	6.26 1/2
Jan	6.35	6.47	6.32	6.45 3/4	6.40 1/4
Mar	6.46	6.60 1/2	6.46	6.59 1/2	6.53 3/4
May	6.57	6.68	6.54 1/2	6.67 3/4	6.61 3/4
Jly	6.62	6.74 1/2	6.61	6.74 1/4	6.67
Aug	6.55 1/2	6.65	6.55	6.65	6.59 1/4
Sep	6.33	6.38	6.33	6.38	6.34 1/2
Nov	6.22	6.30	6.21 1/2	6.29 1/4	6.23 3/4
Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Sep	24.00	24.45	23.80	24.43	24.10

Oct	23.91	24.38	23.65	24.35	24.01
Dec	23.98	24.50	23.72	24.45	24.11
Jan	24.10	24.65	23.94	24.62	24.26
Mar	24.35	24.85	24.16	24.82	24.47
May	24.50	25.00	24.36	25.00	24.75
Jly	24.50	25.00	24.44	25.00	24.84
Aug	24.50	24.60	24.45	24.60	24.60
Sep	24.40	24.45	24.10	24.45	24.45

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	178.00	180.70	177.00	180.70	178.90
Oct	178.50	182.40	178.50	182.30	180.60
Dec	182.80	186.50	182.20	186.10	184.20
Jan	184.00	187.80	183.80	187.20	185.60
Mar	187.00	190.20	186.50	190.00	188.20
May	189.50	191.00	189.30	191.00	189.60
Jly	190.50	193.00	190.50	193.00	191.50
Aug	189.00	191.00	189.00	191.00	189.70
Sep	187.00	190.00	187.00	189.50	187.50
Dec	185.00	186.00	185.00	186.00	184.50

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - David Dinkins, mayor of New York City, told a House panel Monday that extending Medicaid eligibility to Americans infected with the AIDS virus but not yet suffering the full effects of the disease would be a move toward ''fiscal wisdom.''

Dinkins used a hearing before the House subcommittee on health and the environment to urge approval of legislation creating Medicaid eligibility for those in the early stages of AIDS. That would provide coverage for certain drugs, outpatient services and doctor visits. New York is home to the largest number of AIDS patients in the nation.

''The old adage certainly applies here: an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure,'' Dinkins testified.

A Bush administration official testified against the measure, introduced by Reps. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., and James Scheuer, D-N.Y.

Gail Wilensky, who heads the Health Care Financing Administration, said it is ''inappropriate to establish Medicaid eligibility on the basis of a specific disease'' and said the measure would cost the government $270 million next year and about $2.9 billion over the next five years.

Dinkins said providing Medicaid reimbursement on the early stages of acquired immune deficiency syndrome could save on expenditures in the

future by emphasizing preventive treatment.

He said the AIDS measure and other Medicaid bills under consideration ''require that we spend reasonably in the present so that we will not be obliged to spend extravagantly in the future. ... This bill of compassion recognizes human suffering and seeks to ease it. The legislation also recognizes fiscal wisdom and embraces it.''

Medicaid is the nation's largest source of health care financing for the poor. Medicaid payments are expected to exceed $40 billion this year alone.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 10) UPI - Iraq's Saddam Hussein threw a curve ball Monday at international trade sanctions against his country by offering to supply third-world countries with free oil, an offer U.S. officials called a transparent attempt to deflect attention from his invasion of Kuwait.

''We declare we are prepared to supply third-world countries with oil free of charge,'' an Iraqi Information Ministry spokesman said Monday on Iraqi television.

The action - taken a day after President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev declared they would work together to pressure Iraq to withdraw forces from Kuwait - was described as an act of solidarity with third-world nations whose economies were being hurt by huge oil prices resulting from the Persian Gulf crisis.

The Iraqi spokesman said that the country's offer of free oil was made without consideration of third-world countries' positions on the conflict and that it did not violate U.N. sanctions because it was being offered free of charge.

The countries should apply to Iraq indicating the quantity and type of oil they want and then should send their own ships to fetch the oil because Iraq would not be able to transport it, the spokesman said.

In Washington, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater asserted the U.N. sanctions against Iraq do not ''delineate between free exchanges or those paid for'' and called Saddam's offer ''a transparent attempt to deflect the focus of world attention from his blatant aggression against another country.''

''It is an affront to all countries for Saddam to think that they would sacrifice the principles of freedom and non-aggression for the Iraqi oil or the oil that he has taken through his naked aggression against Kuwait '' he said.

Thousands of Iraqis marched Monday on the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, Iraq's capital, chanting ''Death to America'' in opposition to the U.S. military presence in the gulf.

Meanwhile, the British Foreign Office announced in London that a joint U.S.-British charter flight on a Iraqi Airways jet is expected to take women and children out of Kuwait and Iraq Wednesday, the British Foreign Office said.

France and the European Commission will begin airlifting some 2,200 to 2,300 Bangladeshis home from the gulf region Monday evening aboard an Air France jet that they will rent for one week, the French Foreign Ministry said.

Secretary of State James Baker said Monday he fly to Syria Thursday for talks about the gulf crisis, despite U.S. criticism of Syria for supporting terrorism.

''We still have difficulties with Syria,'' Baker said in Brussels, but he said President Bush asked him to go to Damascus because Syria's opposition to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait ''illustrates the isolation of Saddam Hussein.''

Iraq had made inroads with at least one Arab neighbor, however. Iraq and Iran have restored diplomatic relations two years after the countries fought an eight-year war, Iraq's official news agenc INA reported Monday.

Iraq several weeks ago gave back territory it took during that war, and Iran said last week it is considering sending food and medicine to Iraq despite the embargo as a humanitarian gesture.

There was no further indication that Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, who negotiated the restoration of relations, had been promised shipments food or other supplies any time soon.

At the White House, press secretary Fitzwater responded to a question about such Iranian shipments by saying: ''It's hard to believe Iran is going to be supportive to a man who murdered millions.''

British officials said it was unclear how many U.S. and British women and children would take up the offer to fly out of the gulf region Wednesday. But the British Broadcasting Corp. was broadcasting messages to British women and children still trapped in Kuwait to get in touch with the British Embassy to arrange their evacuation.

''It is hoped that the 100 or so women and children who could leave Kuwait if they want to will,'' a Foreign Office spokesman said.

The estimate of Britons in Kuwait has dipped to ''three figures'' from more than 1,800 who were trapped when Iraqi troops invaded the emirate, and less than 400 are known to be in Baghdad.

The United States has not said specifically how many women and children are in the two countries, but it says there 1,592 men, women and children in Kuwait, including eight diplomats, and 227 Americans in Iraq, a figure that includes 60 diplomats.

About 500 American, British and French men are being held at strategic locations in Iraq for use as human shields to deter attack by U.S.-led forces, diplomats in the region said.

More than 186 British, 165 American and 32 Irish former hostages arrived at London's Gatwick airport from Baghdad late Sunday aboard a chartered Iraqi Airways jet. Most of the women said they were well treated by their Iraqi guards, although some complained of bad food.

Some 164 freed American hostages are scheduled to fly into Baltimore early Monday evening.

U.S. officials called Iraqi Ambassador Mohammed al Mashat to the State Department Monday morning to protest Iraq's failure to allow embassy officials access to the American reportedly wounded by an Iraqi soldier in Kuwait last week.

British Premier Margaret Thatcher, in her first public comment on Sunday's summit in Finland, applauded the unity Bush and Gorbachev expressed in their summit statement.

''I think it's very good for the world to know that the two great powers, the United States and the Soviet Union, are absolutely at one in saying that what the U.N. said should be done, will be done,'' Thatcher said.

Iraq lambasted Bush for comments made after the summit and said he had displayed his hatred for Arabs. But Iraq refrained from attacking Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

''Bush's statements displayed his hatred for the Arab nation, because Bush ignored the crisis of the Palestinian people who are suffering under the Zionist nightmare,'' the INA news agency quoted a government spokesman in Baghdad as saying.

''It is the policy of big countries to move according to their material interests and election pressures,'' INA quoted the spokesman as saying.

Arab analysts in Cairo said the superpowers had apparently given Saddam a

last chance to abandon his occupation of Kuwait before deciding on further measures against Iraq, which they said could include military force.

The government-run Baghdad Observer newspaper scoffed at Bush Monday, saying he was frightened of Iraq. ''What is all the fuss about?'' the newspaper said.''Iraq is known for its peace policies. It has not committed any aggression against any country in the world.''

Arab radio stations pointed out Bush had pledged to the Soviet leader that U.S. troops would not stay in the Persian Gulf region after the Iraqi danger to the region had ended.

In a clear message to the United States and Palestinian moderates, Egyptian Foreign Minister Boutros Ghali linked Iraq's occupation of Kuwait with Israel's continued hold on the occupied territories.

Ghali said Monday that while Egypt - which has sent troops to help defend the oil-rich gulf states of Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates - praised the outcome of Sunday's superpower summit, in which the U.S. and Soviet leaders declared they would work together to pressure Iraq to leave Kuwait, Cairo wanted to see action against both Iraqi and Israeli aggression.

''The Helsinki summit's statement affirms the inability to separate the concept of aggression or occupation of territories by force, whether this concerns the gulf crisis or the Palestinian issue,'' Ghali said in a statement carried on state-owned Cairo Radio.

Also in Cairo, Arab foreign ministers began an emergency session Monday expected to formally approve the transfer of the headquarters of the 21-member Arab League back to Cairo from Tunis.

About nine Arab states - including Sudan, Libya Tunisia, Yemen, Jordan and the Palestine Liberation Organization, which have bee more or less sumpathetic to Saddam - boycotted the meeting in a show of disapproval. Egypt was still expected to receive a majority of votes in favor of transferring Arab League headquarters to Cairo.

The Arab League voted to transfer its headquarters to Tunis after Egypt signed a controversial peace treaty with Israel in 1979. But Monday's vote was expected to crown Egyptian diplomatic efforts to return to the mainstream of Arab political life.

In a further indication sanctions may be working, Iraq last week executed an Iraqi woman accused of hoarding food, diplomats in the region said Monday. Iraq ordered the death penalty for food hoarders and anyone hiding foreigners in Kuwait or Iraq.

In Jordan, Queen Noor toured sprawling refugee camps in the neutral zone between Iraq and Jordan Monday and also opened a new refugee camp near the border town of Azraq, Amman Radio reported.

Pakistan decided to join India in sending food for its nationals stranded in Kuwait. And a ferry carrying Indian workers who were stranded in Kuwait after Iraq's invasion left for Bombay from the United Arab Emirates port of Dubai Sunday.

In a separate development, a radical Iranian daily urged world Moslems Monday to rise up against the reported dispatch of some 10,000 Egyptian Moslem women to entertain U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia. An Egyptian spokesman described the report as ''nonsense.''

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PARIS (SEPT. 10) UPI - A bottle of French champagne will likely cost 10 to 20 percent more in 1991 largely due to a jump in the price of grapes in eastern France, the largest champagne producer said Monday.

Yves Bernard, president of Moet et Chandon, attributed the increase to a 20 percent rise in the price of grape varieties used in champagne, which resulted after a 30-year contract between grape growers and champagne producers expired.

For the 1990 harvest, grape prices will be negotiated freely between growers and wine producers, replacing a system of fixed prices under the old contract.

''Champagne runs the risk of being more expensive in the next five to 10 years unless there is a serious economic crisis,'' Bernard said, adding that worldwide champagne consumption continues to rise.

A major exception to that trend is in the United States, where champagne consumption is on the decline, he added.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - U.S. consumer credit jumped $4.47 billion in July at an annual growth rate of 7.4 percent after gaining only $116 million in June, the Federal Reserve announced Monday.

Private analysts expected a net increase of $1.5 billion for July following June's weak showing and annual growth rate of 0.2 percent.

''The July increase was concentrated in revolving and 'other' credit

outstanding,'' the Fed's report said. ''Automobile loans contracted while outstanding mobile home borrowings were about unchanged in July.''

By category:

-Automobile loans fell nationwide $534 billion in July after diving by $1.76 billion in June;

-Revolving, or credit card, use advanced nearly $3.77 billion in July after gaining $1.2 billion in June;

-Mobile home loans inched up $33 million in July after falling $83 million in June;

-''Other credit,'' which includes loans by finance companies and retailers increased $1.2 billion in July after adding $753 million in June.

The Federal Reserve also reported that U.S. consumer credit increased $3.65 billion in May at an annual growth rate of 6.1 percent, mainly on credit card loans.

In addition, the Fed also reported Monday that auto finance companies charged 12.68 percent interest for a new car loan in July and 15.96 percent on a used car loan during the month.

In June, the rates on a new car loan and a used car loan were 12.58 percent and 16 percent, respectively.

There were also several figures available for August.

The Fed said commercial banks charged 11.89 percent last month on a 48-month new car loan, 15.46 percent of a 24-month personal loan, 14.09 percent on a mobile home loan and 18.18 percent on a credit card.

Comparable data for July were not provided.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 10) UPI - Arab League ministers met Monday to decide whether to move their headquarters from Tunis to Cairo in a symbolic vote expected to split the organization into two camps on opposite sides of the Iraq crisis.

The twelve of 21 Arab League foreign ministers who arrived in Cairo for the Monday evening conference were expected to unanimously approve the move to Cairo, which has been a staunch supporter of the U.S.-led military effort in the Gulf region.

But nine members, all of them more or less sympathetic to Iraq, boycotted the meeting after letting it be known they disapproved of returning the offices to Egypt.

The League, established in 1945, was moved from Cairo to Tunis in 1979 after Egypt signed a peace treaty with Israel.

Analysts in the Middle East say the Iraq crisis has severely strained relations within the League and that the move to Cairo is symbolic of the widening split between member states.

The rift is not based so much on Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait as it is on the Western response to the takeover of the tiny oil rich emirate. The United States alone has deployed 100,000 troops to the region to guard Saudi Arabia against possible attack by Iraqi troops, a move angrily denounced by some Arab states who see it as Western interference in an Arab problem.

At an Arab League meeting shortly after the invasion, all of the members except Iraq, Yemen and the Palestine Liberation Organization voted to condemn Saddam Hussein's grab for a larger share of the oil- rich Arabian peninsula.

The nine states that boycotted Monday's meeting in Cairo, including Jordan Libya and Tunisia, have criticized the Iraqi invasion, but have been more vocal in their objections to Western troops in the Gulf.

In contrast, Egypt, Syria and Morocco have sent troops to join the U.S.-led force and Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates have allowed the Western soldiers to be deployed on their soil.

The Arab League had acutally decided at an Arab summit this past spring to move the League headquarters to Cairo in October of this year, but the decision became more political when League Secretary General Chedli Klibi, a Tunisian, resigned from his post last week.

Klibi had been criticized by some moderate Arab states, especially Saudi Arabia, for the Leagues response to the Gulf crisis. He was replaced by Acting Secretary General Assad al-Assad, a Lebanese, whose government has long been at odds with Iraq.

Analysts and diplomats say the League will survive this difference of opinion just as it has survived past disputes.

''It is premature to say there is a split and that there will be two leagues,'' said Abdulrazak al-Kandari, the exiled Kuwaiti government's ambassador to Cairo. ''There is a split in the political attitudes over

the invasion. If it continues it will effect the League, but it is too early to say they will break away.''

''This is not a black and white issue. There are lots of shades of gray,'' said a Western diplomat based in Cairo. ''Those on one side of this fence are not in complete agreement with everyone on their side.''

Still the vote Monday, expected to be a formality, is seen as a victory for the moderate, pro-Western policies of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Besides Tunisia, Jordan and Libya, the League members that stayed away from Cairo Monday were Iraq, Sudan, Algeria, Mauritania, the Palestine Liberation Organization and Yemen.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	382.65	232.12	129.68	24.03	323.40
Opening	385.76	234.57	130.70	24.26	326.06
11 a.m.	385.26	234.39	130.46	24.24	325.63
Noon	385.74	234.29	130.39	24.27	325.96
1 p.m.	385.66	234.36	130.38	24.30	325.93
2 p.m.	385.30	234.16	130.28	24.27	325.62
3 p.m.	382.60	232.62	129.45	24.10	323.37

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Gold futures closed 1,090 to 1,300 points lower Monday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	384.50	384.50	378.60	378.60	389.50
Oct	385.00	386.60	377.00	380.30	391.40
Dec	388.70	391.60	381.60	384.80	396.00
Feb	392.50	395.50	385.50	389.00	400.40
Apr	398.00	399.50	390.00	392.90	404.50
Jun	403.00	403.00	395.50	397.10	408.90
Aug	407.50	407.50	399.00	401.00	413.00
Oct	413.30	413.30	405.40	405.40	417.60
Dec	416.00	416.00	406.00	409.80	422.20

Feb	412.00	414.60	412.00	414.60	427.20
Apr	425.00	....	....	419.20	432.00
Jun	430.00	....	....	424.00	437.00

Open interest: 119,268 off 1,697.
Estimated sales: 50,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 4 point higher to 4 points lower. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.95	11.20	10.78	11.20	11.16
Mar	10.78	10.91	10.58	10.90	10.91
May	10.80	10.90	10.61	10.89	10.92
Jly	10.80	10.89	10.68	10.89	10.93
Oct	10.85	10.98	10.75	10.98	10.98

Estimated sales: 24,094 contracts
Open interest: 116,570 off 1,085
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.10

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday unchanged to 3 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.29	23.30	23.28	23.30	23.30
Jan	23.20	23.02	23.01	23.02	23.02
Mar	22.90	22.90	22.87	22.87	22.90
May	22.88	....	....	22.88	22.90
Jly	22.90	....	....	22.91	22.91
Sep	22.88	22.88	22.88	22.88	22.90
Nov	23.00	....	....	22.80	22.80

Estimated sales: 348 contracts
Open interest: 10,435 off 63

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold
London

Previous close fix	387.00 off 2.75
Morning fixing	382.50 off 4.50
Afternoon fixing	384.50 off 2.50
Close	385.25 off 1.75

Paris	384.95 off 4.85
Zurich	385.35 off 2.15
Hong Kong	384.75 off 4.20
New York	
Comex spot close	378.60 off 10.90
Republic cash	379.25 off 11.25
Handy and Harman	384.50 off 0.10

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 385.80 off 0.10 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 405.09 off 0.11 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.755 off 0.045
Republic cash	4.80 off 0.03

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.745 per fine ounce off 0.025

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.77 off 0.025 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.104 off 0.027

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 474.00 off 5.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 574.00 off 5.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 107.00 unchanged per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 122.00 unchanged.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90253u1545 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - Unionized teachers returned to classrooms Monday in Michigan, Pennsylvania and Washington state as 4,700 educators pressed walkouts over wage and classroom issues, disrupting classes for about 73,000 students nationwide.

Strikes by 2,200 teachers in five Michigan school districts prolonged summer vacation for more than 37,000 students. In Ypsilanti, 384 teachers went on strike Monday, while a strike in Cheboygan was settled during the weekend and walkouts moved into a second week in Troy, Saginaw, Gwinn and St. Igance.

A strike by 900 teachers in Saginaw extended summer vacation for 16,000 students. Union leaders said negotiations stalled on ''quality education

issues,'' such as class size, student discipline and use of professional time.

''At this point there are no meetings scheduled. The last bargaining session was Saturday and it broke off,'' said Joel Tanner, a member of the Saginaw Education Association's executive board.

Teachers in Ypsilanti voted to strike Sunday after their school board rejected the recommendations of an independent fact-finder, who suggested a one-year contract with a 5 percent salary increase. Teachers approved the recommendation Thursday, but the school board rejected it as too costly.

Teachers met Sunday and agreed to set up picket lines Monday morning, closing classrooms for about 6,300 students.

Some 2,400 students in the Cheboygan school district were scheduled to return to classrooms Tuesday. The district's 114 teachers agreed to a three-year contract after a 20-hour mediation session that began Saturday afternoon.

No bargaining sessions were scheduled in the Troy school district, where a strike by 700 teachers idled 11,000 students. Both sides in the dispute were awaiting the appointment of an independent fact-finder.

In Illinois, 1,629 students were out of class Monday because of strikes by 109 teachers. About 30 teachers in the rural Dongola unit district went on strike Monday, two weeks after school began for the district's 329 students.

Teachers in western Pennsylvania's Ligonier Valley School District returned to classrooms Monday after reaching a tentative contract settlement to end a four-day strike. A six-hour bargaining session Sunday ended with a proposed five-year contract scheduled for a ratification vote Monday.

The settlement left 898 teachers in six Pennsylvania districts on strike, affecting 12,420 students, officials said.

Three New Jersey school districts were on strike Monday in defiance of back-to-work orders, disrupting classes for nearly 12,000 students.

Some 240 teachers in the Evesham School District in southern New Jersey voted to strike Monday, canceling classes for 3,800 students.

A strike by 303 teachers and 28 secretaries in Deptford Township has disrupted classes for 3,330 students. Substitute teachers were hired in the Deptford School District and in the South Orange-Maplewood School District, where a strike by 390 teachers and 182 support staff affected

4,800 students.

About 50 parents picketed Sunday outside the Deptford Municipal Building, carrying signs saying, ''End it now.''

With classes set to start in two days, teachers in the Exeter-West Greenwich, R.I., school system voted Monday to strike over wages, health benefits and several other grievances. The vote by the 120-member union came after an all-night bargaining session at the state Labor Department.

Teachers had been scheduled to report for orientation Monday and were to begin classes Wednesday. About 1,400 students attend school in the district.

''We're basically hung on six or seven issues: salaries, co-payment of health benefits, class sizes, insurance, association rights, academic freedom and retirement benefits,'' said union bargaining team member Michael Magee.

He said it was difficult to gauge the chances for a settlement in time for the start of classes. ''We're going to be negotiating all night long tonight and have a better feel in the morning,'' Magee said.

In Washington state, some 1,200 teachers returned to school Monday after settling a week-long strike that provided an extra week of vacation for 22,500 students at 32 schools in Redmond, Kirkland and Juanita.

Teachers met Sunday night at Juanita High School and overwhelmingly approved a three-year contract in a near-unanimous vote. The agreement was hammered out Friday by negotiators for the union and the Lake Washington School District.

''We won, let's face it. We kicked their you-know-whats,'' said Doug Lundvall, president of the Lake Washington Education Association.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - Yields were mixed on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Monday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $9.2 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 7.41 percent, up from 7.39 percent last week and the highest since Aug. 27, when the auction yielded 7.49 percent.

The Treasury also sold $9.23 billion of 26-week bills at an average of 7.34 percent, down from 7.36 percent last week and the lowest since Aug. 13 when the yield stood at 7.31 percent.

The investment rate was 7.66 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,812.70 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26- week bill was 7.73 percent at $9,628.90.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Mayor David Dinkins led the defense of New York City Monday by calling it ''still the greatest urban center in the world'' in the wake of a Time magazine cover story headlined ''The ''magazine cover story

The latest issue of the magazine said the current crime wave in New York confirmed what most Americans already believed: New York is ''an exciting but dangerous place'' where deadly violence, once mostly confiend to crime-ridden ghetto neighborhoods ''is now lashing out randomly at anyone, anytime, even in areas once considered safe.''

Dinkins, in Washington for testimony before a House subcommittee, said he was distressed to hear that a Time poll showed a majority of New Yorkers would like to live somewhere else.

''I think that when things are put in perspective, people appreciate the greatness of our city,'' he said. ''It is still the greatest urban center in the world. Unfortunately, we are plagued with violence and crime, as are other jurisdictions within these United States.''

''We don't seek to answer our problems by saying that the grass is not in fact greener elsewhere,'' the mayor said. ''We know that to be the fact. What we do instead is try to resolve our problems.''

Tourism officials were quick to note that the number of conventions held locally had risen this summer, as had the number of tourists, though they acknowledged the industry could suffer in the long run from negative articles like the Time story.

''Crime and violence isn't affecting what tours are already booked, but it might affect what is being booked,'' said Lou Cavalaro, vice president for marketing for Gray Line Tours. ''The gang rape of the jogger in Central Park cost us several groups who were just firming up their plans.''

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#90253u1566 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

COLUMBUS, GA (SEPT. 10) UPI - Eleven protesters entered the second week of a hunger strike outside the gates of Fort Benning Monday, demanding an end to the training of Salvadoran soldiers at the base.

Charlie Liteky, a Vietnam veteran, recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor and a former chaplain at Fort Benning, was among the protesters. Liteky alleged Monday that Salvadoran soldiers trained at the U.S. Army School of the Americas, located at the base, return to El Salvador to participate in death squads terrorizing the country.

''They're being taught torture techniques,'' Liteky said.

The 59-year-old former soldier said that while Salvadorans trained at the facility also are taught humanitarian principles, they soon are forced to disregard that part of their training.

''They almost have to, because (the El Salvador military) is a structure that doesn't respect human rights,'' Liteky said.

Grif Godwin, a public information specialist for Fort Benning, said the protesters had caused no problems for the facility. Beyond that, he could not comment on training, and officials for the School of the Americas were unavailable for comment Monday.

Liteky, who served as chaplain at the base for six months in 1966 and 1967 before the School of the Americas was founded, said the protesters hope to refocus attention on human rights abuses in El Salvador in a time when everyone seems to be concentrating on the crisis in the Middle East.

''El Salvador's government is allowed to go on with its murderous tricks without being subjected to the public eye,'' said Liteky, who traveled to the country with 10 other Vietnam veterans in 1985.

He described El Salvador as ''another Vietnam,'' saying, ''The only thing that's missing is the introduction of U.S. troops. And that could happen anytime.''

Liteky said the protesters have not decided how long they will continue the hunger strike.

''I don't think any of us right now are thinking of a terminal fast. However, that's possible,'' he said.

The 11 protesters, nine members of a core group that planned the hunger strike and two others who joined in the first day, live on a small patch of grass on city property just beyond the boundaries of the base.

One of the two who joined the protest at the last minute is 71- year-old John Shields, a veteran peace activist.

The group originally began Aug. 3 on federal property near the fence, but

moved after Army surveyors plotted the exact property boundary and painted a line the protesters are not supposed to cross.

''We have to say the city police have been very cooperative and haven't hassled us,'' Liteky said.

Members of the group have had nothing but water since the hunger strike began.

''I'm feeling pretty good. We have intermittent periods of extreme weakness,'' Liteky said.

The Vietnam veteran said they have faced some harassment, mostly from young soldiers who blow their horns at night and shout while driving by.

''We understand that,'' Liteky said. ''It's a way for young men to express their manhood, I suppose.''

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#90253u1569 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - President Bush reports to Congress and the American people Tuesday night on the Persian Gulf crisis, heartened by broad backing at home and abroad while guarded about the consequences of a prolonged standoff.

Just back from a quick summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, Bush reported to foreign leaders Monday while drafting a speech for delivery at 9 p.m. EDT Tuesday before a joint session of Congress.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Bush called the leaders of Canada, Egypt, France, Saudi Arabia and Turkey to underscore ''the historic nature'' of the joint statement he and Gorbachev issued Sunday against Iraq.

''All the leaders expressed satisfaction on their concerted efforts against Iraq," Fitzwater said, ''and pledged continued cooperation in this endeavor.''

The televised appearance on Capitol Hill, his third as president, will enable Bush to report on the summit, but go beyond the unified stand he and Gorbachev took Sunday in Helsinki, Finland, against Iraq's armed takeover of Kuwait.

Advised by some members of Congress in recent weeks to take steps to sustain the popular support he has received so far for his actions in the gulf, Bush will again lay out the interests at stake in the showdown with Saddam Hussein.

Since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, that rationale has not always been well defined. Low oil prices, Kuwaiti sovereignty, regional stability and the American ''way of life'' all have variously been mentioned by Bush as reasons for American intervention.

In Helsinki, Bush and Gorbachev agreed on the need to stand united against Saddam, but not spell out why or how. Firmly aligned on the ultimate goal - forcing Saddam to withdraw from Kuwait - they differed over the means.

Gorbachev made no secret of his skittishness over the huge, U.S.- led show of military firepower in and near the gulf and his desire to avoid a violent outcome to the confrontation, which to date has been impervious to diplomatic efforts.

The United States has more than 70,000 troops on the ground in Saudi Arabia and a massive naval force arrayed in and near the gulf, at a current estimated cost of $46 million and more a day.

Bush and Gorbachev also disagreed over whether the crisis, sparked by Iraqi-Kuwaiti disputes over money and oil, should be brought under the umbrella of the broader Middle East peace process, which in effect would link it to the intractable Arab-Israeli conflict over the future status of Palestinians in the occupied territories.

It will be points of U.S.-Soviet agreement that Bush will trumpet before Congress, while acknowledging the financial costs and personal sacrifices Americans may be forced to pay in the drive to repel Saddam.

Left unanswered, however, will be the question left hanging in Helsinki: What the United States and other nations allied against Iraq will do if diplomacy fails and Saddam, feeling the pinch of economic sanctions but armed with Western hostages, settles in for a long siege.

For various reasons, including the absence of a consensus on long- term strategy and a need to keep their options open, Bush and Gorbachev left that point vague Sunday in toughening their stand against Iraq with a threat of further action to reverse its ill-gotten gains.

''Too hypothetical,'' Bush retorted when asked at a news conference about future intentions.

''That would draw us into consequences which we can't at this stage forecast,'' he said when asked what he would do in the absence of an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Those answers may have enabled Bush and Gorbachev to avoid being pinned down at the summit, but the questions are among those fueling domestic

concern about the gulf crisis. Key members of Congress, even the many who support his actions to date, have said Bush must continue to make clear his objectives and their importance to U.S. interests to retain the strong backing he now enjoys, especially if tense confrontation turns to outright armed conflict.

To that end, aides said, Bush will emphasize Tuesday night that the United States is not alone in the challenge to Saddam and is pursuing political solutions through the United Nations and third-party mediation even while massing a huge military force in the region.

Polls show that 70 percent or more of all Americans approve of how Bush has handled the problem. Denied a swift and painless end to the crisis, his speech Tuesday night is viewed as only the latest in what could be a long series of steps to protect that high approval rating from anxiety or frustration.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 10) UPI - BP America Inc. said Monday it will pay 500 minority job applicants an estimated $445,000 and give 25 minorities clerical jobs as part of a settlement of racial discrimination allegations made by the government.

The agreement with the Labor Department's Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs settles alleged discrimination in the hiring and promoting within clerical staffs of BP America and its BP Oil subsidiary.

The government alleged the difference between BP's percentage of minority applicants for clerical positions and the percentage of minorities hired in those positions in 1988 and 1989 constituted discrimination based on race.

BP America, however, said it believed the difference was the result of its ''aggressive programs to reach minority applicants.''

The company said 60.5 percent of the applications for clerical positions in 1988 and 1989 were from minority applicants and 42.4 percent of the applicants hired were minorities.

''While we disagree with the Labor Department's interpretation of the facts in this case, we have voluntarily entered into this agreement in order to remove any question of discrimination in the future,'' President James Ross said. ''We remain steadfastly committed to the principles of equal opportunity and affirmative action and intend to press forward with minority-focused programs.''

BP America said under the agreement about 300 internal and 200 external minority applicants for clerical jobs during 1988 and 1989 will receive a one-time compensatory payment from the company with an average payment of about $900.

And the company said it will give 25 additional clerical positions to qualified minority applicants covered by the agreement.

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#90253u1572 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

GROSSE POINTE, MI (SEPT. 10) UPI - Mercedes-Benz North America said Monday it will pay nearly $18.6 million in penalties this year for not meeting government-mandated corporate average fuel economy (CAFE) standards.

The West German luxury car distributor, during a preview of its 1991 models in the posh Detroit suburb of Grosse Pointe, said its CAFE this year will be 21.2 mpg. The CAFE standard for 1990 is 27.5 mpg, up from 26.5 mpg in 1989.

Last year, Mercedes paid $20.4 million in CAFE penalties because of its overall rating of 21.4 mpg, officials said.

MBNA executives justified the penalties by saying its owners still desire heavy, substantial and safe cars. ''Advanced safety has its weight penalties,'' said Peter Patrone, MBNA's manager of product planning.

Nonetheless, the carmaker plans to counter the fuel penalties with a line of new diesel-engined cars introduced this year that have so far been selling slightly above projected levels of 4,000 a year - although they are prohibited from sale in California because of stricter emission laws.

Mercedes also plans to redesign all of its gasoline engines and adopt more four-valve-per-cylinder designs and new fuel injection systems in coming years, Patrone said.

Also intended to offset some of the mileage fines for 1991 is a new version of its compact 190E line, fitted with a 130-horsepower 2.3 liter four-cylinder engine with either a manual or automatic transmission.

Prices are $28,050 and $28,950 respectively, and they are the first Mercedes offered in two years for under $30,000.

Mercedes cars cost up to $89,300, excluding an owner-paid $1,050 gas guzzler tax, for its 500SL roadster introduced for 1990, though its best selling model is the mid-sized 300E sedan, which costs $47,200.

MBNA announced an average 3.3 percent price late last month.

Albert Weiss, general manager of marketing at the company's Montvale, N.J. headquarters, said Middle East tensions have so far not affected U.S. sales because people still want high-technology, safety and V8 engine power.

''The cost-of-fuel issue does not seem to be a problem at this time,'' Weiss said, but cautioned that limited fuel availability could crimp sales for Mercedes as well as other manufacturers.

Weiss said he expects MBNA's U.S. sales this year to total 75,000 cars as projected, down slightly from 75,714 cars sold in 1989. About 40 percent of those deliveries are for leases.

But Weiss declined to forecast sales for 1991 among its 420 U.S. dealers because of the uncertain economy and unstable geopolitical events.

While most car models are unchanged for 1991, Mercedes will offer three new electronic systems to improve traction and ride comfort.

The traction devices are called ASD and ASR, acronyms derived from German abbreviations that loosely translate into ''automatic locking differential'' and ''automatic slip control.''

ASD, a $1,050 option on selected models, automatically locks the car's rear differential to offer improved traction. ASR, a more sophisticated system offered as an option for between $1,975 and $2,475 depending on model, electronically applies the brakes to the drive wheel or wheels that are about to spin, while reducing engine output to match available traction.

Offered as a $3,800 option on its 300SL and 500SL roadsters is ADS (adaptive damping system), which automatically adjusts the shock absorber settings for optimum ride.

Last July, MBNA announced a corporate restructuring to decentralize its operations and align its marketing areas according more to demographics than geographic sales zones.

The restructuring, the first since MBNA was created in 1965, breaks the country into four regions instead of seven sales zones.

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#90253u1582 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

ALBANY, NY (SEPT. 10) UPI - U.S. Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., Monday characterized the Japanese as greedy profiteers who will not take part in

the Persian Gulf crisis unless there is a buck in it.

''I certainly believe the Japanese have been acting totally within the character that they usually do,'' D'Amato said.

In demanding more participiption, especially financial, from the United States' allies in the gulf, D'Amato also pulled no punches in assessing the participation of West Germany and Egypt.

But he saved his harshest commentary for Japan.

''They are motivated by profit, greed and avarice, and for them to not step forward and make a contribution to this mission is unconscionable,'' D'Amato said.

D'Amato, who sits on the Senate Intelligence Committee, stressed he does not believe the Japanese should, or must, play an active military role but said they should help pay the freight.

He suggested Japan might finance relief efforts for thousands of refugees stranded in camps along the Jordanian-Iraq border.

''That's the kind of effort the Japanese could so easily take up and pay for. (But) they'd try to find a way to swing a deal, to make some money, to keep people from starving or from thirst. Theirs is an attitude that really is repugnent to what is taking place,'' D'Amato said.

D'Amato also criticized the West Germans for not taking a large enough role in containing Iraq's aggression.

''Where are they? It's nice that they've got East Germany. It's nice that they've got unification. It's wonderful they've got a strong economy. But what about their participation in a meaningful way economically?'' D'Amato asked.

He said he believed Egypt should also play a larger military role in Saudi Arabia.

''At certain times we had more congressmen in the sands of the desert in Kuwait visiting than they had troops,'' D'Amato said.

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#90253u1595 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - unchanged to $10 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.10 to 0.75 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.05 to 2.95 cents a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.38 cent to 1.08 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $10.90 to $13.00 an ounce lower for a 100-troy- ounce contract.

Platinum - $24.30 to $24.80 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.70 cent higher to 1.95 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 4.5 to 5.2 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.004 cent higher to 0.004 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90253u1604 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 10) UPI - Monday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.67 3/4-2.68 1/2 up 3 3/4-7.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.19 1/4-6.19 1/2 up 7.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.39 1/4- 2.39 1/2 up 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.39 1/4-2.47 3/4 off 4 3/4.

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#90253u1611 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (SEPT. 10) UPI - Union paperworkers at Abitibi-Price Inc. mills in Ontario, Quebec and Newfoundland set up picket lines Monday, shutting down operations at seven locations, the company said.

Negotiations between the Canadian Paperworkers Union and Abitibi- Price were continuing, with the talks focusing on contract language and salary issues, said company spokeswoman Sharon Paul.

About 4,700 Abitibi-Price workers, union and non-union, were affected by the picket lines.

Two CPU-represented mills in Quebec and four non-CPU mills in Quebec, Manitoba, Georgia and Alabama were continuing to operate, Paul said.

Serge Lord, a union spokesman, said negotiations are ''in a delicate phase''. He said the union is waiting for the company to respond to the CPU's latest proposal.

Lord said the company has accepted a wage proposal, similar to one accepted in July by Stone-Consolidated Inc. of Montreal, which will boost the base rate of 2,350 workers by 5.5 percent each year of a three-year deal. Under the deal, base salaries will increase from $13.06 an hour to $15.34 an hour over the course of the contract.

Lord said the key issues still to be resolved include flexibility for tradesmen and running time on statutory holidays.

The wage package fell short of the union's original objective of 8 percent a year in a two-year contract, plus automatic cost-of-living adjustments.

The two sides began their current set of talks Friday after being called back to the bargaining table by provincial government conciliators. Talks began in April and focused on local issues until negotiations were adjourned in late August.

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#90253u1617 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (SEPT. 10) UPI - Texas Instruments Inc. Monday dismissed a lawsuit by Tandy Corp. challenging the semiconductor maker's patent policies and the royalties received on them as a counterclaim typical in patent cases.

''The main thing is that this lawsuit contains the type of counterclaim that regularly occurs as a defense against a patent assertion,'' said Stan Victor, spokesman for the Texas Instruments, of Dallas. ''Typically, these counterclaims attack the patent's validity. From our point, we believe TI acted appropriately at all times in attaining, obtaining and enforcing its patents.''

Victor said his company would contest the lawsuit.

In its action filed in San Francisco Friday, Tandy, a $4.5 billion consumer electronics company headquartered in nearby Fort Worth, Texas, accused TI of violating antitrust laws. It said TI demanded unreasonably

high royalty payments on its technology and forced Tandy to buy licenses it didn't need to obtain other TI technologies.

Tandy did not specify the damage it was seeking but asked they be trebled and also a ruling that some of the TI patents are invalid. Since 1986, TI has made over $600 million in royalty revenues from companies that use its technology.

Victor said while filing the lawsuit, Tandy also indicated it intended to continue its royalty payments to TI. Those payments, which were not disclosed, are part of a settlement the two reached in the first quarter of this year and relates to microprocessor systems, Victor said.

''Basically we have eight patents that broadly govern how the microprocessor interfaces with other components of the microprocessor systems,'' Victor said.

Tandy said it accepted the agreement because of TI's dominance of the market.

''Because of the number, importance and uniqueness of the patents its owns and controls, TI has the ability to control prices and/or exclude competition in the license market in the U.S.,'' the suit said.

Some analysts contend TI has pursued its patent policy too vigorously and may have antagonized some U.S. companies.

But Victor defended his company's policy, saying the royalty payments have helped TI to invest more in research and development.

''That extra money has helped us go ahead with capital expenditures of over $2.5 billion and make long-term investment in new capacity that will come on stream in the future. If we didn't have this income, we would have been able to take only a short-term view.''

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#90253u1622 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (SEPT. 10) UPI - Arab labor organizers said Monday thousands of Palestinians have been deported from Saudi Arabia and Gulf states, but urged them to try to return to their jobs because little work was available in the Israeli-occupied territories.

The General Federation of Trade Unions in the territories estimated 56,675 Palestinians had been deported from Saudi Arabia and the Gulf region since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. The figure, however, could not be confirmed.

The Palestine Liberation Organization has backed Iraqi President Saddam

Hussein during the Gulf crisis and demonstrations supporting Iraq have erupted in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

During a news conference in East Jerusalem, leaders of the Palestinian labor organization said they were concerned about the return of Palestinians to the territories because few jobs were available to them. They called on wealthy Palestinians to help finance projects in the territories in order to provide more jobs.

''There are no places for them to work,'' said Salah Abu Qutaish, a executive committee member of the General Federation of Trade Unions. ''We must tell them to stay at their jobs and to return to the countries where they used to work.''

Federation members estimated unemployment in the territories at roughly 30 percent and claim the high rate is in part a result of Soviet Jewish immigration.

They estimated 8,000 Palestinians have returned to the territories while another 80,000 remain stranded in Jordan. However, it was not clear how many Palestinians have identification cards that enable them to live in the occupied territories.

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#90253u1649 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.95

60 to 89 days 7.85

90 to 119 days 7.74

120 to 149 days 7.73

150 to 179 days 7.66

180 to 270 days 7.60

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.98 - 7.75

Issuers 30 days 7.93

Issuers 90 days 7.64

Issuers 270 days 7.47

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.00

60 to 89 days 7.99

90 to 119 days 7.95

120 to 149 days 7.95

150 to 179 days 7.95

180 days 7.95

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.125 - 8 3-16

1 month 8.00 - 8.125

3 month 8.00 - 8.125

6 month 8.00 - 8.125

Year 8.125 - 8.25

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.44 - 7.42

6 months 7.38 - 7.36

Year 7.29 - 7.27

Federal Funds: High 8 1-16, Low 8 1-16, Close 8 1-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 7.844 off 0.017.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90253u1657 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (SEPT. 10) UPI - A boy and his sister were seriously injured Monday when a grenade they dug up in the Gaza Strip exploded when they started playing catch with it, Palestinian sources said.

The accident happened in the Israeli-occupied territories on the outskirts of the Gaza Strip town of Khan Younis, the sources said.

An 11-year-old boy lost an arm and leg in the explosion while his 8-year-old sister was in moderate condition with multiple injuries, the sources said.

It was not clear why the Czechoslovakian-made grenade had been buried on the outskirts of the town but it apparently had been in the area for a long time, Israeli military sources said.

Elsewhere in the Gaza Strip, a new Palestinian group identifying itself as the ''Tigers'' has said it would chase down and kill collaborators, Palestinian sources said. The threats were made in slogans written on Rafah area walls, the sources said.

Confrontations erupted in the West Bank Tulkarm refugee camp between supporters of the PLO's Fatah wing and the Islamic fundamentalist Hamas movement, Palestinian sources said.

The sources said 13 Palestinians were wounded during the confrontations, which began last night. The military clamped a curfew on the camp.

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#90253u1660 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	55 5-8	up	3-8
AT&T Company	30 3-8	off	3-4
BCE Inc	x30 3-4	up	1-8

Bell Atlantic	42		off	7-8
BellSouth Corp	49	5-8	off	1-8
Exxon Corp	50	3-8	off	1-2
Ford Motor Co	34	3-4	off	3-8
Genl Electric	61		up	3-8
General Motors	37	3-4	up	1-8
GTE Corp	25	1-2	off	3-8
IBM Corp	105	7-8	up	3-8
Mobil Oil Corp	65	3-8	off 1	1-8
Nynex Corp	68	3-4	off 1	1-4
Pac Gas & Elec	21	3-8	unch	
Pacific Telesis	39	1-4	off 1	
Phila Electric	15	1-8	off	1-8
Sears Roebuck	28	1-2	off	1-4
Southern Co	23	7-8	unch	
Sthwestern Bell	47	5-8	off	5-8
US West Inc	34	5-8	off	5-8

x-ex-dividend.

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#90253u1665 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - Iraqi chemical weapons plants are high priority targets in the event of war, but experts said Monday nerve and mustard gases have been stockpiled in underground concrete bunkers and would be difficult to destroy.

Iraq produces more than 1,000 tons of chemical agents a year - between 250,000 and 500,000 artillery rounds and bombs, depending on the mix of munitions produced - according to a report by Michael Eisenstadt, an analyst with the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, a pro- Israel ''think tank.''

In addition, Iraq is said to be adapting Soviet-built Scud-B surface-to-surface missiles to carry chemical warheads.

These figures mean that Iraq has ''the largest chemical weapons production capability in the Third World,'' said the newly published report, which was written before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. ''Such a production capability is sufficient to support sustained combat operations.''

Iraq began developing a chemical weapons production capability in 1974 and used poison gases against Iranian troops during its eight-year war with Iran and against its own Kurdish rebels. Chemical agents, which were used during World War I with devastating effect, were outlawed in wartime in 1925.

Some Middle Eastern leaders have urged a military solution to the Persian Gulf crisis as a means of ensuring the destruction of Iraq's chemical and biological weapons stockpiles and its fledgling nuclear weapons program. Israel destroyed an Iraqi nuclear reactor in 1981.

''Chemical weapons constitute the backbone of Iraq's strategic weapons capability as well as a key tactical weapon,'' the report said. ''Consequently, it will continue to stockpile chemical weapons and possibly biological weapons for the forseeable future.

''Moreover, it is expected to commence production in the near future of chemical missile warheads, vastly increasing the lethality of its strategic forces.''

Iraq's chief chemical weapons production facility is situated near Samarra about 45 miles northwest of Baghdad, the Eisenstadt report said. In addition, there are several dispersed underground storage sites for the weapons that are hardened against air attack.

Its principal biological weapons research center is situated near Salman Pak, about 20 miles southeast of Baghdad, the study said.

''Iraq is reportedly producing and stockpiling botulin toxin in militarily significant quantities and has reportedly conducted research with anthrax, typhoid and cholera,'' the report said, referring to congressional testimony by CIA Director William Webster 19 months ago.

Botulism, often associated with poisoning from canned food, is a bacterial disease that causes paralysis of the respiratory system and death by suffocation.

Experts knowledgeable about Iraq agree that facilities for the production or development of chemical, biological and nuclear weapons are vulnerable to air attack but that it would be much more difficult to get at weapons stockpiled elsewhere.

''You can't put a chemical plant underground, but the situation is trickier with existing stocks (of chemical weapons),'' said Seth Carus, an analyst with the institute.

The bunkers have been hardened with concrete and decoy bunkers have been built to spoof war planners, he said.

''It's not going to be a simple operation to destroy those bunkers,'' Carus said. ''You would not be able to destroy more than a fraction of their existing stocks. We probably could destroy the ''e probably could destr

Anthony Cordesman, a Middle East analyst for Sen. John McCain, R- Ariz., estimated there were 20 to 30 targets involving chemical and biological weapons sites but that it would take 200 to 300 sorties by strike aircraft to wipe them out. A sortie is one flight by one plane.

A limited air strike of up to 50 sorties could result in some success, he said.

But any planned strike against Iraqi military facilities would carry with it the risk of killing or wounding Western male hostages who are being used as shields against attack.

By comparison to Iraq's chemical weapons production of 1,000 tons a month, the United States has stockpiled 30,000 tons of chemical agents, the Soviet Union 50,000 tons, the Eisenstadt report said.

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#90253u1666 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 11) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Cincinnati - Recalled pitcher Chris Hammond and infielder Billy Bates from Nashville of the American Association (AAA).

BASKETBALL

Albany (CBA) - Named George Karl coach.

FOOTBALL

Pittsburgh - Signed tight end Eric Green to 4-year contract.

HOCKEY

NY Islanders - Signed defenseman Ken Baumgartner to a multi-year contract.

San Diego (IHL) - Named Larry Roberts trainer.

HORSE RACING

New York Racing Association - Suspended jockey Angel Cordero for seven days for careless riding.

SOCCER

St. Louis (MSL) - Announced retirement of goalkeeper David Brcic.

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#90253u1668 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 38 to 108 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	73.60	73.70	72.30	72.58	73.66
Dec	72.95	72.95	71.40	72.06	72.94
Mar	74.15	74.15	72.85	73.35	74.25
May	74.75	74.75	73.80	74.05	74.88
Jly	75.00	75.05	74.17	74.17	75.00
Oct	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.53
Dec	68.50	68.50	68.20	68.27	68.65

Estimated sales: 4,500 contracts
Open interest: 34,809 up 107
The World spot average: 70.77

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#90253u1673 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 10) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Slightly lower in light trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Slightly lower in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed sharply higher in light trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 3/4 to off 1/2, soybeans up 3 1/2 to 7 1/4, wheat up 2 3/4 to 5 and oats off 1 1/4 to 1 3/4.

Cattle Trade - $1 to $1.50 higher; top $76.25.

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#90253u1675 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2615.59	off	3.96
20 Trans	908.10	off	0.18
15 Utils	200.45	off	0.44
65 Stocks	909.29	off	1.17

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#90253u1676 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2615.59	off	3.96	908.10	off	0.18	200.45	off	0.44
Friday	2619.55	up	23.26	908.28	up	16.08	200.89	up	2.64
Week ago	Holiday								
Month ago	2746.78	up	30.20	978.83	up	4.01	203.97	up	0.88
Year ago	2704.41	off	5.31	1469.59	off	4.09	215.61	off	0.37
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90253u1679 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.54	up 0.04
10 Public Utils	90.58	up 0.27
10 Industrials	88.50	off 0.20

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#90253u1693 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	323.21	off	0.56
High Technology	325.73	off	1.16
Capital Goods	349.24	up	0.07
Consumer Goods	389.23	up	1.48
Service	721.09	up	7.06
Retail	1037.03	off	8.87
Financial	376.00	off	0.89

Natural Resources	245.78	off 1.91
Housing-Const-Land	333.77	off 0.68

There was a loss of 2 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	409.19	up 0.22
Mid Atlantic	416.39	up 2.18
No Central	446.15	off 1.78
So Atlantic	929.66	up 0.18
So Central	315.00	off 0.64
Mountain	114.31	off 0.11
Pacific	379.51	off 0.82
Foreign	241.93	off 1.60

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#90253u1694 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos said Monday he has ordered a review of seven agencies that accredited 89 schools, mostly vocational, with the highest student loan default rates.

"I am convinced that any accrediting agency that takes its role seriously must focus on education effectiveness and must be concerned that institutions with high default rates are held accountable," Cavazos said.

The announcement came two days before a Senate subcommittee hearing on schools that continue to be accredited for federal funds despite steep default rates.

"It's no coincidence," a congressional source who requested anonymity said of the timing of Cavazos' action. "The secretary is trying to divert the heat ... the criticism he's going to be getting at the hearing because of all the problems with the student loan program."

Education Department spokesman Rodger Murphey insisted the timing was coincidental, not political. "It would have all the appearances of a simultaneous release, but it is not. There is no cause and effect," Murphey said.

A federal advisory committee recommends to the secretary which accrediting agencies should be recognized. Those agencies, in turn, accredit schools - a necessary step to participating in federal student loan programs.

The secretary ordered the advisory committee to scrutinize the policies of the seven agencies that have accredited the 89 schools, which have the highest percentage of students defaulting on 1988 loans and the highest volume of loans in default.

Cavazos also directed Assistant Secretary Leonard Haynes III to meet with the agencies' top executives and "urge them to review their policies and procedures."

The 1988 loans in default made by the 89 schools total $365 million. Of the 89 schools, 28 have been closed, one is open but no longer participates in federal loan programs and the rest remain active in federal loan programs.

In a written statement, Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the subcommittee said the hearings Wednesday and Thursday will provide "an insider's view of a national scandal in the making," showing how unscrupulous trade school owners make huge profits but offer little or no useful training.

"Far too many of these bad schools continue to be licensed, accredited and certified for federal funds. Obviously, the student loan program as now structured and administered is based on quantity of students rather than on quality of education," Nunn said.

Cavazos said it is reasonable to expect that the level of student loan defaults at a school is related to the quality of its education. A spokesman for one of the seven agencies disagreed.

"Just because a school has a high default rate doesn't mean there's a poor level of education being offered at a school," said Brian Thompson, spokesman for the National Association of Trade and Technical Schools, which has an independent accrediting division. "We use default as one of the many factors to accredit a school. It's not the sole criteria."

The seven agencies under scrutiny are: The Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools; The Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training; The Association of Independent Colleges and Schools, Accrediting Commission; The National Accrediting Commission of Cosmetology Arts and Sciences; The National Association of Trade and Technical Schools, Accrediting Commission; The National Home Study Council, Accrediting Council; and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Occupational Education Institutions.

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#90253u1700 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - President Bush is drafting a speech he'll deliver tomorrow night before a joint session of Congress and the American people. The nationally broadcast address will be a report on the Persian Gulf crisis and the Bush summit with Soviet President Gorbachev yesterday.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz returned home from Tehran today amid Iraqi news reports that he reached an agreement with Iranian officials to

re-establish ties between their countries. Aziz met his Iranian counterpart and Iran's president during his one-day visit.

The African National Congress says Nelson Mandela will be in a delegation to meet with South African officials tomorrow to discuss ways to curb black-on-black violence in black townships. The warfare has claimed about 600 lives since mid-August.

Impeached Arizona Governor Evan Mecham will attempt to resurrect his political career tomorrow as one of five candidates battling for the Republican gubernatorial nomination in the state's primary election.

A Florida crime laboratory expert says technicians are analyzing blood and semen samples as part of the probe into the killings of five college students in Gainesville. Authorities had previously refused to say whether any of the victims were sexually assaulted.

Unionized teachers returned to their classrooms in Pennsylvania, Michigan and Washington state today, even as 47-hundred other teachers marched on picket lines, interrupting classes for about 73-thousand students.

11 protesters- including a Congressional Medal of Honor winner- entered the second week of a hunger strike outside the gates of Fort Benning in Georgia. The protesters are demanding an end to the training of Salvadoran troops at the base.

Blues great B-B King and actress Jessica Tandy were among a dozen individuals and one corporation that were honored on center stage at the White House today. President Bush presented them the National Medal of Arts for their career accomplishments.

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#90253u1706 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 324.59, low 322.89, close 323.21, off 0.56.

There was a loss of 2 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,600,000 shares, compared with 10,135,385 Friday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	none
New Lows	29
Advances	245
Declines	256
Unchanged	257

Total Issues 758

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Microsoft cp	(MSFT)	$53,039,260	55 3/4	off 2
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	38,650,920	29 5/8	up 1 1/4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	38,091,856	32 1/2	up 3/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	31,378,646	67 1/2	off 1/2
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	29,350,138	34 1/8	up 3/8
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	24,175,736	35 3/4	off 5/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	23,596,138	46	up 1 1/4
Oracle Systm	(ORCL)	20,432,788	8 1/2	up 3/8
TeleCommun A	(TCOM)	18,822,334	11 1/4	up 1/8
Conner Prphrls	(CNNR)	17,113,028	23 1/2	up 1 1/4

Composite Index 167.24 up 0.61

NMS volume 72,621,304 shares.

Advances	786
Declines	724
Unchanged	1,311
Total	2,821

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#90253u1710 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Monday - $45,410,000
1990 to date - $7,818,359,000

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#90253u1714 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:
Stocks - 10,600,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,448,040,895
Bonds - $3,330,000
1990 to date - $498,436,000

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#90253u1717 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 10) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	176.71	off 0.80
ASE Market Value Index	323.21	off 0.56
Dow-Jones Industrial	2615.59	off 3.96

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#90253u1723 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Monday	380.57	230.66	128.93	23.92	321.63
Friday	382.65	232.12	129.68	24.03	323.40
Week ago	Holiday				
Month ago	400.06	245.41	135.80	25.74	338.84
Year ago	397.99	318.14	139.67	33.28	347.66
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	362.23	220.36	124.60	22.87	307.06

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#90253u1730 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	382.65	232.12	129.68	24.03	323.40
Opening	385.76	234.57	130.70	24.26	326.06
11 a.m.	385.26	234.39	130.46	24.24	325.63
Noon	385.74	234.29	130.39	24.27	325.96
1 p.m.	385.66	234.36	130.38	24.30	325.93
2 p.m.	385.30	234.16	130.28	24.27	325.62
3 p.m.	382.60	232.62	129.45	24.10	323.37
Close	380.57	230.66	128.93	23.92	321.63
Change	off 2.08	off 1.46	off 0.75	off 0.11	off 1.77

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#90253u1732 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	386.30	379.20	380.57	off 2.08
20 Trans	234.89	230.39	230.66	off 1.46
40 Utils	131.00	127.85	128.93	off 0.75

40 Fncl	24.33	23.87	23.92	off 0.11
500 Stocks	326.53	320.31	321.63	off 1.77

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#90253u1735 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 10) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Monday - 7,513,000

1990 to date - 1,764,974,000

The market closed lower.

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#90253u1737 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Pac Gas & El	3,195,300	21 1/4	off 1/8
Toys 'R Us	2,567,400	22 1/8	off 1
AT&T Company	1,805,300	30 3/8	off 3/4
IBM Corp	1,609,400	105 7/8	up 3/8
Wal-Mart Strs	1,420,100	27	off 1
Genl Electric	1,410,300	61 1/8	up 1/2
Philip Morris	1,405,600	44 7/8	up 1/8
PepsiCo Inc	1,312,600	24 7/8	off 1/4
Boeing Co	1,189,700	47 3/8	up 3/8
Amer Express	1,104,100	24 1/8	up 1/8
Exxon Corp	976,100	50 3/8	off 1/2
Citiorp	928,200	18 5/8	unch
Genl Pub Utils	866,000	41 3/8	up 1/2
Coca Cola Co	862,500	42 1/4	up 3/8
Occidntl Pet	835,400	23 1/4	off 3/8

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#90253u1742 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Paine W Gr wtB	560,500	7 5/8	off 1/2
Salomon wt Jan	541,600	16 3/8	off 5/8
Echo Bay Mines	444,400	12 1/4	off 7/8
Corona Corp A	399,900	5 3/8	off 1/8
Hillhaven	370,900	1 1/2	unch
Salomon wt Feb	361,700	17 3/8	off 5/8

Denmark K wt	324,400	17	off	7/8
Frequency El	256,400	5 3/8	up	1/8
Wang Labs B	252,400	3 1/2	off	1/8
Nabors Inc	236,300	6 1/2	off	1/4

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#90253u1752 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos said Monday he has ordered a review of seven agencies that accredited 89 schools, mostly vocational, with the highest student-loan default rates.

''I am convinced that any accrediting agency that takes its role seriously must focus on education effectiveness and must be concerned that institutions with high default rates are held accountable,'' Cavazos said.

The announcement came two days before a Senate subcommittee hearing on schools that continue to be accredited for federal funds despite steep default rates.

''It's no coincidence,'' a congressional source who requested anonymity said of the timing of Cavazos' action. ''The secretary is trying to divert the heat ... the criticism he's going to be getting at the hearing because of all the problems with the student-loan program.''

Education Department spokesman Rodger Murphey insisted the timing was coincidental, not political.

''It would have all the appearances of a simultaneous release, but it is not. There is no cause and effect,'' Murphey said.

A federal advisory committee recommends to the secretary which accrediting agencies should be recognized. Those agencies, in turn, accredit schools - a necessary step to participating in federal student- loan programs.

The secretary ordered the advisory committee to scrutinize the policies of the seven agencies that have accredited the 89 schools, which have the highest percentage of students defaulting on 1988 loans and the highest volume of loans in default.

Cavazos also directed Leonard Haynes III, an assistant secretary, to meet with the agencies' top executives and ''urge them to review their policies and procedures.''

The 1988 loans in default made by the 89 schools total $365 million. Of the 89 schools, 28 have been closed, one is open but no longer participates in federal loan programs and the rest remain active in federal loan programs.

In a written statement, Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the subcommittee said the hearings Wednesday and Thursday will provide ''an insider's view of a national scandal in the making,'' showing how unscrupulous trade school owners make huge profits but offer little or no useful training.

''Far too many of these bad schools continue to be licensed, accredited and certified for federal funds. Obviously, the student loan program as now structured and administered is based on quantity of students rather than on quality of education,'' Nunn said.

Cavazos said it is reasonable to expect that the level of student loan defaults at a school is related to the quality of its education. A spokesman for one of the seven agencies disagreed.

''Just because a school has a high default rate doesn't mean there's a poor level of education being offered at a school,'' said Brian Thompson, spokesman for the National Association of Trade and Technical Schools, which has an independent accrediting division. ''We use default as one of the many factors to accredit a school. It's not the sole criteria.''

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#90253u1756 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - The free distribution of the promising AIDS drug DDC is being widened to include possibly thousands more patients, a drug company announced Monday.

In June, the Food and Drug Administration gave Hoffmann-La Roche Inc. of Nutley, N.J., permission to provide dideoxycytidine, or DDC, to AIDS patients who cannot take the two currently available drugs to combat the AIDS virus. Those drugs are AZT, the only fully approved AIDS-fighting drug, and DDI, an experimental drug already offered through a similar expanded access program.

About 100 people with AIDS or advanced AIDS-related complex have been receiving DDC through that route, and another 1,000 patients are taking the drug in the more strictly monitored tests required for government drug approval, said Paul Oestreicher, a Hoffmann-La Roche spokesman.

Now, the drug maker is dropping the requirement that a doctor must demonstrate that a patient cannot take DDI before being allowed to start DDC. That move will likely increase the number of patients in the expanded-access program. ''It could potentially be thousands more,'' Oestreicher said.

So far, the most serious side effect of DDC has been pain in the nerves of the feet and hands. About 10 percent of patients eventually have to stop

therapy because of side effects, Oestreicher said.

DDI can cause similar pain, but also poses the risk of potentially life-threatening inflammation of the pancreas. The side effects associated with AZT include bone marrow suppression and anemia, and more than one third of patients have to stop treatment due to side effects.

Preliminary results have indicated therapeutic strategies that alternate the various anti-viral drugs may prove to be less toxic than long-term treatment with one drug.

For patients to receive DDC outside traditional tests, their doctors must contact Hoffmann-La Roche. Patients of doctors who registered with the company earlier this summer will be able to start receiving DDC almost immediately, while it will take ''several weeks'' for those whose physicians must register now, company officials said.

The distribution of DDC, as well as DDI, is considered a prototype for the ''parallel track'' system of testing AIDS drugs proposed by the government in May.

Under the plan, which is not yet final, some experimental AIDS drugs would be provided to AIDS patients who have no other treatment options, but who cannot take part in traditional drug tests for medical or travel reasons. A second track would consist of more strictly monitored tests.

The phone number for information on the DDC distribution plan is 1-800-DDC-21-HIV.

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#90253u1769 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6325	off 50
Vornado Inc	113	up 16 7/8
CapCiti/ABC	476	off 14 1/2
Duke Power pf	84 1/2	off 10
Enron Corp pf	190	up 7 5/8
Rockwell pf	180	up 7
Transcntl Rlty	7 1/4	up 5 1/4
Matsushita El	129	up 3 1/2
Am Brand pfA	138 3/4	up 2 3/4
Va Elec pfI	79 5/8	up 2 3/8
Walt Disney	99 3/4	off 2 1/8

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#90253u1770 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 10) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	249.00	249.20	244.60	245.95	246.70
Dec	251.40	251.50	247.30	248.35	248.90
Mar	....	....	....	251.60	252.15

Previous day volume: 111 contracts.
Open interest: 1,325 up 5

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	328.00	328.00	320.20	321.45	323.65
Dec	332.00	332.20	324.00	325.10	327.40
Mar	334.20	334.20	327.00	328.00	330.40
Jun	....	338.00	330.00	332.10	334.50

Today's estimated volume: 56,431 contracts.
Open interest: 152,768 up 725

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	179.70	180.00	175.80	176.25	177.65
Dec	182.25	182.50	177.85	178.35	179.70
Mar	183.00	183.00	179.65	179.85	181.55

Open interest: 6,131 off 366

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	539.00	541.50	530.50	531.50	535.00
Oct	542.50	543.70	533.00	533.80	537.70

Estimated volume 3,145 contracts.
Open interest: 7,541 up 223

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#90253u1788 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - Negotiators continued squabbling Monday over "virtually every element" of a $500 billion deficit-reduction plan, and it appeared certain that bargainers would miss their unofficial midnight deadline for reaching an agreement.

The bipartisan group of White House and congressional budget negotiators met only briefly Monday with negotiators spending most of the day caucusing in separate party meetings.

And, late in the afternoon, Republicans who had finished their caucus were told they could leave Andrews Air Force Base, Md., where the talks were under way, for up to three hours while Democrats continued meeting. Some Republicans were believed to have returned to Capitol Hill while others headed for the base golf course while awaiting an expected resumption of the talks.

"There are problems everywhere," said an aide to a Democratic negotiator. "There's a debate over virtually every element (of the deficit-reduction plan)." The Democratic aide said that sharp divisions remained over taxes and defense spending levels in particular.

"They (Republicans) continue to cling to a capital gains package that we think is a disgrace," the Democratic aide said. "They want a big tax break for the wealthy."

The aide also said Republicans so far were unwilling to cut defense spending next year by more than about $4 billion - a figure that includes the huge cost of the current U.S. military deployment in the Middle East. Democrats have been insisting on a defense cut of $10 billion or more that would not include the cost of the current deployment.

"We're not going to take $5 (billion cut) in defense," the Democratic aide said. "We're going to take double digits in defense." If the Republicans do not agree, the aide said, "I don't see how we can get an agreement. They (Republicans) are going to have to give on something. ... They have moved on nothing."

"We are waiting for the Democrats," said an aide to one Republican negotiator. "They are doing some negotiating. We're all ready to roll."

White House chief of staff John Sununu attended Monday's session. The budget negotiators gave themselves an unofficial deadline of midnight Monday to agree on how to cut the deficit by $50 billion in fiscal year 1991 and by $500 billion over five years.

Earlier in the day, top administration officials were pessimistic about chances for success of the talks, which began Friday. "I would say the talks are going nowhere fast," Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady said on ABC's "Good Morning America."

Budget director Richard Darman reported on the lack of progress at during a morning staff meeting. "He was not optimistic ... but left the door open that something could budge today," a White House official said.

Later, on Capitol Hill, House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash, acknowledged that the attempt to reach a complicated a budget agreement was "a slow

process," but said "I'm confident we'll get an agreement."

"I'm not sure we're going to get one (Monday), but both sides are earnestly working toward an agreement," Foley said. They've worked very hard since the begining of the weekend. While some progress has been made obviously there was a hope we would make more by this time, but we're going to continue."

Failure to reach and implement an agreement by Oct. 1, the beginning of the fiscal year, would trigger automatic spending cuts of $105.7 billion split between defense and domestic programs.

Those cuts are required under the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law, which sets annual deficit-reduction targets and forces spending to be cut to a level that would meet that year's target. The fiscal year 1991 deficit target is $64 billion, but the projected deficit next year is about $169 billion, according to the administration.

Some programs, such as Social Security and those aiding the poorest Americans, are exempt from the Gramm-Rudman cuts. Cuts in Medicare payments are limited to two percent.

President Bush has exempted military personnel from any Gramm-Rudman cutbacks. Any cuts in Pentagon spending would hit hardest on civilian employees, procurement, and weapons systems.

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#90253u1817 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	11	11	Holiday
New lows	76	69	

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	773	41,804,100
Declines	742	57,754,600
Unchanged	448	20,171,300
Total	1,963	119,730,000

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#90253u1819 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	381.73	up	1.35	H	470.42

Industrial	407.55	up	1.27	o	455.19
Finance	382.44	up	1.20	l	560.38
Insurance	445.33	off	1.37	i	538.82
Utility	513.58	up	3.71	d	746.44
Bank	284.98	up	2.80	a	488.68
Transport	417.03	up	3.06	y	465.34

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 167.24 up 0.61

Industrial Index 161.05 up 0.53

NASDAQ-100 Index 385.30 up 1.70

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#90253u1829 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	385.19	380.39	381.73	up	1.35
Industrial	412.46	407.28	407.55	up	1.27
Finance	383.50	381.78	382.44	up	1.20
Insurance	448.75	444.25	445.33	off	1.37
Utility	518.00	511.33	513.58	up	3.71
Bank	285.39	281.81	284.98	up	2.80
Transport	418.90	414.91	417.03	up	3.06

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-23) 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index 167.24 up 0.61

Industrial Index 161.05 up 0.53

NASDAQ-100 Index 385.30 up 1.70

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share 8.71 up 0.03

Volume 72,621,304 shares

Advances 786

Declines 724

Unchanged 1,311

Total 2,821

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#90253u1833 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 10) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.03	8.13	8.95
91-day Treasury bills	7.66	7.63	7.67
182-day Treasury bills	7.77	7.72	7.65
1-year Treasury bills	7.78	7.73	7.53
3-year Treasury notes	8.23	8.18	8.14
7-year Treasury notes	8.73	8.69	8.15
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.97	8.92	8.06
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.50	9.45	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.97	9.95	9.09
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.21	9.10	9.37
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.50	9.44	9.12
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.50	9.47	9.33
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.49	9.45	9.31

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90253u1835 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	98,258,800
Advances	966
Declines	891
Unchanged	2,402
Total	4,259

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#90253u1837 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	178.88	176.44	176.70	off 0.81

Industrial	224.14	221.41	221.41	off 1.07
Transport	142.37	140.29	140.29	off 0.37
Utility	83.85	82.86	82.86	off 0.42
Finance	125.74	124.44	124.44	off 0.29

Equivalent to a loss of 14 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 119,730,000 shares.

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#90253u1846 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	27.15-27.20	26.60-26.70
North Sea Brent	31.10-31.20	30.40-30.50
West Texas Intermed	31.25-31.35	30.00-30.05
Light Louisiana Sweet	32.85-33.00	31.65-31.75
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	104.05-104.55	103.05-103.55
No. 2 Heating oil	83.90-84.40	82.00-82.50
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	96.55-96.80	95.05-95.55
No. 2 Heating oil	83.10-83.20	81.10-81.25

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#90253u1858 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
OTTAWA (SEPT. 10) UPI - There will be no amnesty for Mohawk Indians suspected of crimes in the eight week standoff between natives and Canadian Armed Forces at a reserve south of Montreal, the Canadian government said Monday.

Indian affairs minister Tom Siddon told reporters at a news conference that Mohawks want to conduct their own investigation into a standoff that began July 11 over a land dispute. Natives have also offered to compensate the Quebec government for damage to rail lines and highways.

But Siddon said such a parallel system of government would be unconstitutional. He said there was only one system of law and it applied to all Canadians, including natives.

Siddon also repeated earlier statements that the federal government would not negotiate with the Mohawks on their land claim until members of the Warriors Society, a militant faction of the Mohawk nation, who are holed up in a detoxification center on the Kanesatake reserve, have surrendered their weapons.

The Indian Affairs minister said he would ask Iroquois chiefs meeting Monday in Ottawa to help bring a peaceful end to the conflict by convincing the Warriors to lay down their weapons.

The eight-week standoff at Oka, Quebec, where the Kanesatake reserve is located, began July 11 when Quebec police stormed a barricade set up around disputed land that Mohawks claimed was an ancient burial ground. A police officer was killed in the action.

Days later, sympathetic Mohawks at the Kahnawake reserve threw up barricades across major highways and the Mercier Bridge, linking the town of Chateauguay to downtown Montreal. The bridge was finally reopened a week ago after Mohawks and the Canadian army agreed to jointly dismantle the barricades.

The standoff has continued however, at the Kanesatake reserve where several hundred soldiers have surrounded a drug treatment center, the last stand for militant Warriors as well as a handful of women and children.

On Saturday, one of the Warriors was severely beaten by soldiers who were conducting reconnaissance behind the Mohawk lines. He was later hospitalized in Montreal.

Siddon said the current standoff by Warriors should not be considered a ''noble endeavour'' and that a few lawless natives were delaying negotiations on land claims and other native issues.

''There is no place in Canadian society for Warriors who use AK-47 (rifles) to achieve their ends,'' Siddon said.

The dispute between Mohawks and the Canadian government has been complicated by contradictory statements and positions put forth by various factions of the Mohawk nation, some supporting the Warriors Society and others opposed to any show of militancy.

On Monday, Oren Lyons, chief of the Onandaga nation south of Syracuse, New York, was one of a small number of people authorized by the Iroquois Confederacy to negotiate with the federal and Quebec governments on behalf of the Mohawks period.

Lyons, who apppeared at a news conference with Kanesatake chief Gabriel

Samson, said that land was the main issue behind the conflict despite attempts by other Mohawk factions to divert negotiations into other area such as additional policing powers for reserves and soveriegnty for the six Iroquois nations.

''There are a lot of agendas out there,'' Lyons said.

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#90253u1859 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - A federal energy expert told Congress today that there could be- what he calls- ''localized shortages'' of gasoline in the months ahead. Energy Information Administration chief Calvin Kent says U-S refineries should be able to meet demands for gasoline and heating oil this year. But Kent reflected concern that the loss of oil from Iraq and Kuwait could have a damaging affect.

The chairman of a key House subcommittee says the Persian Gulf crisis will cause increased resistance to foreign aid programs because of the economic squeeze currently gripping middle-class Americans. Democrat David Obey of Wisconsin- chairman of a foreign operations panel that is the first to see foreign aid proposals- says he expects active opposition to such aid. He says the sluggish economy and cuts in federal spending on education and other domestic programs are adding to moves against foreign aid.

British officials are joining other Western leaders in calling for Japan to give more money to support the multi-national fight against Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. British Foreign Minister Douglas Hurd says Japan's one-BILLION-dollar donation was ''a good start.'' But Hurd says Japan must help those Middle Eastern nations hit hardest by the sanctions against Iraq.

Republican Senator Alfonse D'Amato of New York ripped the Japanese today as greedy profiteers, charging they will NOT take part in the allied efforts in the Persian Gulf unless they can make a profit on it. D'Amato also criticized Egypt and Germany for NOT taking larger roles in containing Iraqi aggression.

Palestinian sources in Jerusalem report that an 11-year-old boy and his eight-year-old sister were seriously injured when a grenade they dug up in the Gaza Strip exploded as they played catch with it. The sources say the boy lost an arm and a leg in the blast, which caused multiple injuries to the girl.

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#90253u1880 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - A late, rumor-driven rally in oil prices wiped

out a day of sharp gains in the stock market Monday, with prices on the New York Stock Exchange closing mixed in light trading.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 23.26 Friday, lost 3.96 to close at 2615.59.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index lost 0.80 to 176.71 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index dropped 1.77 to 321.63. The price of an average share fell 14 cents.

Advances led declines 771-738 among the 1,963 issues traded. NYSE volume totaled 119,730,000 shares vs. 123,802,280 traded Friday.

The Dow opened sharply higher, bolstered by the U.S.-Soviet unity against Iraq shown at the superpowers' summit this weekend. The Dow industrials were up as much as 33 points in early trading.

President Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev declared they were united against the aggression of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein at their daylong summit Sunday in Helsinki, Finland. Gorbachev and Bush threatened further pressure on Iraq if diplomacy failed.

Stocks drifted with those gains for most of the day. But an afternoon, rumor-driven rally in crude oil prices wiped out the rally in stocks.

October crude oil futures, which extended their losses at midday to about $1.20 a barrel and fell below the $29 level, swung wildly and turned higher in late trading. Prices closed up $1.26 to $31.30 a barrel.

Traders cited rumors of military activity in the Mideast - violations of Saudi Arabian airspace and movement of Iraqi troops toward the Jordanian border. But State Department spokesman Jim Smith, part of the task force handling questions about the Gulf crisis, said, ''We have nothing to indicate that's the case.''

Other analysts said the reversal in oil prices began when the White House threw cold water on Saddam's offer Monday of free oil to Third World countries. Saddam said through a spokesman that the offer did not violate U.N. sanctions because the oil was being offered free of charge.

But press secretary Marlin Fitzwater asserted the U.N. sanctions against Iraq do not ''delineate between free exchanges or those paid for'' and called Saddam's offer ''a transparent attempt to deflect the focus of world attention from his blatant aggression against another country.''

''What this shows is that everyone was thrilled with Bush and Gorby hugging and kissing one another but there are still problems out there,'' said Ralph Bloch, chief analyst at Raymond James & Associates in St.

Petersburg, Fla.

The problems ''out there'' continued to keep trading light, as it has been since before Labor Day, as anxiety about the Middle East crisis continued to pin many players to the sidelines. The thin trading made the market vulnerable to rumors, analysts noted.

''Even though these were all rumors coming out of the oil pits, they were enough to throw a scare into the market,'' said Jeff Kaminsky, head of institutional sales trading at Mabon, Nugent & Co.

On the trading floor, Pacific Gas & Electric was the most active issue, down 1/8 to 21 1/4 in dividend-related trading.

Toys ''R'' Us followed, down 1 to 22 1/8. AT&T was third, down 3/4 to 30 3/8.

Among the other blue chips, IBM rose 3/8 to 105 7/8, extending Friday's rally, General Electric added 1/2 to 61 1/8, and Coca-Cola gained 3/8 to 42 1/4. Oil issues were lower despite the surge in oil prices. Exxon fell 1/2 to 50 3/8, Chevron slumped 1 1/4 to 76 3/4 and Texaco lost 1 1/8 to 63 3/8.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 143,892,410 shares, compared with 148,569,970 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices eased in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index fell 0.56 to 323.21. Declines led advances 260-244 among the 773 issues traded. The price of an average share fell 2 cents. Composite volume was 12,604,100 shares vs. 11,839, 385 shares traded Friday.

PaineWebber's call warrants on the Tokyo market's Nikkei index led the Amex issues, down 1/2 to 7 5/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 1.36 to close at 381.74.

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#90253u1886 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST (SEPT. 10) UPI - Liberian President Samuel Doe was killed by Prince Johnson's rebels and his bullet-riddled body displayed at their camp outside Monrovia, news and government reports said Monday.

Witnesses returning to the city center told the British Broadcasting Corp.

that Doe died in a rebel camp where he was taken Sunday after he was wounded and captured by rebel forces in a fierce gun battle in the capital of his war-torn West African nation. Witnesses said Doe's body had been exhibited on Bushrod Island, the city suburb that Johnson has controlled since attacking Monrovia two months ago.

Doe was shot in both legs during the battle, but arrived at Johnson's headquarters alive, they said. It was not clear whether he was shot again later or died from the wounds he had already received.

BBC correspondent Elizabeth Blunt, who was in Monrovia, said it was impossible to to confirm the witnesses' reports at present but they were "almost certainly true."

In Washington, a senior State Department official said, "We have been informed by various parties, including the rebels, that President Doe died of gunshot wounds suffered in a shootout over the weekend." He said the information was sketchy and it is not known who had taken charge of the country since Doe's death.

A spokesman for rival guerrilla leader Charles Taylor told the Cable News Network in a telephone interview that "I have no reason to doubt they may have killed him."

Doe was seized Sunday by forces loyal to Johnson in Monrovia after a firefight at the headquarters of a West African peacekeeping force that has been trying to resolve the civil war that erupted in December.

Witnesses said the peacekeepers had arranged a meeting between Johnson and Doe, who left his heavily fortified mansion for the first time since July. The meeting took in the Monrovia port that has been in Johnson's hands for almost two months.

A spokesman for Johnson said in a BBC interview that an argument erupted after Johnson asked Doe about money he allegedly stole from state funds during his ten years in power. "Doe had invited the peacekeeping force in because he was planning to leave the country and we are not going to have that," the spokesman said.

The diplomatic sources said a gun and grenade fight ensued between government forces and rebel troops, and 64 people were believed killed, mostly members of the presidential guard. Doe was wounded in both legs and taken into custody, and Johnson said he would be "court-martialed."

Even with Doe's death, the country remained in turmoil. After Doe was captured Sunday, the armed forces chief, Brig. Gen. David Nimlay, declared the formation of the National Interim Defense Council. The first task of the council will be to appeal for a cease-fire, he said.

Nimlay has, however, inherited only the tattered remnants of Doe's army and government. Most of the army has either died, deserted, or joined the rebel forces.

Fighting was reported Monday around the presidential mansion between followers of Doe and Johnson. Johnson said he will replace Doe as leader of the country until elections can be held.

Charles Taylor, the rival guerrilla leader whose troops control two-thirds of Liberia, declared he was in charge of the nation after learning of Doe's capture. The two factions have been struggling for months to overthrow Doe. Following reports of Doe's death, Taylor said the two rebel armies should now sit down and talk.

Taylor's spokesman Tom Woweiyu said, "Prince Johnson has been fighting us throughout the past few months. But now we are saying, let's get together and put the guns down. We control 90 percent of this country and Prince Johnson controls about one percent. Let's get together and end the suffering of our people."

While Taylor's spokesman appeared conciliatory, it is unlikely Taylor himself will settle for anything less than the leadership of the interim government. Taylor has been unflinching in his determination to become president by military means.

But severe discipline problems among his forces have revealed the increasing frustration of his young fighters as the war has dragged on and degenerated into a tribal conflict of nightmare proportions.

Johnson does not have sufficient support outside Monrovia to take the country for himself. To do so would require a lengthy war against Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia.

Fears that Americans might be harmed as the fighting escalated in early July prompted President Bush to send four U.S. warships, carrying more than 2,200 Marines, to positions off the coast of Liberia to evacuate Americans as needed.

The West African nation of some 2.5 million people is roughly the size of the state of Oregon. It sits on the coast of the Atlantic Ocean. Liberia was founded around 1822 by U.S. black freedmen who settled there with the assistance of the American Colonization Society, a private organization dedicated to the African repatriation of freed slaves. It became a republic July 26, 1847.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2650.00	2665.35	2600.99	2615.59	off 3.96
20 Trans	921.60	928.44	903.11	908.10	off 0.18
15 Utils	201.58	202.59	198.57	200.45	off 0.44
65 Stock	920.50	926.10	903.64	909.29	off 1.17

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	15,832,500	16,176,400
Trans	2,737,200	3,205,700
Utils	5,326,500	2,285,400
65 Stock	23,896,200	21,667,500

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.54	up 0.04
10 Public Utils	90.58	up 0.27
10 Industrials	88.50	off 0.20

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 132.99 off 0.85.

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#90253u1899 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (SEPT. 10) UPI - A ferry company and seven former employees pleaded innocent to manslaughter Monday in the deaths of 193 people who were aboard a ferry that capsized off the coast of Belgium in 1987.

Their pleas were entered in London's Central Criminal Court on the opening day of a trial that may last up to four months. Charges were filed against three P and O European executives and four seamen.

A coroner's jury previously ruled that the victims died ''unlawfully'' because negligence and carelessnesss caused Britian' worst maritime disaster since the Titanic sunk in 1912.

The stern loading doors on the Herald of Free Enterprise were left open and thousands of tons of water flowed into the ferry when it departed from Zeebrugge, Belgium, March 6, 1987. The ferry with its 540 passengers and crew capsized and 193 of them died, most from drowning.

The company director, the deputy chief superintendent and technical director are charged with manslaughter, along with the ship's master, captain, first officer and bosun.

It is only the second time a firm has been charged with corporate manslaughter in Britain. The first attempt, made 25 years ago against a mining and construction firm, was unsuccessful.

The prosecution is seeking to prove the directing parties of P and O were reckless or grossly negligent. If successful, there is no limit on the fine the judge may impose.

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#90253u1901 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - Congressional anger over America's burden in the Persian Gulf surfaced Monday as the Senate adopted a resolution calling on President Bush to make sure other countries are contributing their fair share to the defense of the region.

In its first day at work after its August recess, the Senate, on a voice vote, approved the resolution as an amendment to a bill appropriating money for the Treasury Department and the U.S. Postal Service.

''Other countries can and should do more,'' said Sen. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., the resolution's sponsor, who singled out Japan and West Germany as shirking their responsibilities.

''The burden and the responsibility must be shared. If not, I do not think the American people will be as willing to support similar operations in the future which also benefit other wealthy countries,'' he said.

The resolution applauds the president for his diplomatic efforts encouraging U.S. allies to share the financial burden of defending Saudi Arabia but calls on him to ''take steps'' to ensure the allies are ''sharing an appropriate portion of their collective defense of theiur interests in the gulf.''

In a reference to Japan and West Germany, whose constitutions limit their military involvement, the measure says Bush also should ensure that countries ''precluded from any overt military participation'' pay for ''an appropriate financial share'' of the effort.

Oil-producing countries that may benefit from the rise in oil prices triggered by the crisis also should be encouraged to shoulder some of the economic burden of the effort, the resolution said.

The resolution was approved as members of Congress from both parties returned to work saying their constituents believe that many U.S. allies - particularly Japan and West Germany - are not doing enough in the Persian Gulf.

''You hear people expressing deep concern about what this going to do to our budget deficit, deep concern about what it's going to do to our economy, deep concern that we're going to get stuck holding the bag and paying the bill as well,'' said liberal Rep. David Obey, D-Wis.

Conservative Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., calling on Japan to contribute $8 billion instead of the $1 billion it has promised to the Gulf effort, put it this way: ''The tokenism of the actions of the Japanese government to date merit nothing but the world's contempt and American hostility.''

The House, meawhile, was to consider a possible amendment Tuesday that would require Japan to pay all of the roughly $7.4 billion it costs to keep about 50,000 troops in Japan and to cut troop strength by 5,000 a year if Japan does not do so. Japan is providing about $2.9 billion of the total price tag.

Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., said the amendment ''gives us a chance to say to our allies: 'The free ride is over. We are willing to be equal participants in defense of common interests. We are not willing to be suckered and pay and pay and pay a subsidy to those who are at least as wealthy as we are.'''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 451.51, off 0.19 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90253u1921 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

TORRANCE, CA (SEPT. 10) UPI - Toyota Motor Corp. may announce plans for a second U.S. car-assembly plant within the next two months, a spokeswoman said Monday.

''We're looking for ways to increase sales,'' said Mindy Geller, spokeswoman for Toyota's U.S. marketing arm. ''But we have not yet settled on anything specific.''

Toyota builds the compact Camry at a factory in Georgetown, Ky., and some Corolla subcompacts at its joint-venture plant with General Motors Corp. in Fremont, Calif.

The Japanese automaker is also planning to open a truck-assembly line at

the California plant next summer that will build 100,000 compact pickups per year.

Toyota, with about 950,000 in annual sales, currently has a market share of more than 9 percent in the United States.

Geller said that several sites are under consideration for the new plant, including one adjacent to the facility in Georgetown.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.30	9.97
Anchor Fund Inv	14.66	15.55
Delaware Mutual	16.86	18.08
Fidelity Fund	16.66	16.66
Investors Mutual	10.98	11.56
Investors Stocks	18.23	19.19
Investors Select	8.26	8.70
IDS Equity Plus	9.00	9.47
Mass Inv Growth	8.41	9.07
Nicholas Fund	3.30	3.30
United Accumulated	6.36	6.95
United Income	17.09	18.68
Vanguard Wellington	16.06	16.06

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#90253u1941 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - A report made public by a pro-Israel group contends that Iraq has the Third World's ''largest chemical weapons production capability.'' But the Washington Institute for Near East Policy says limiting Iraq's potential use of such weaponry is NOT as easy as a military strike. A spokesman for the organization says production facilities could be destroyed, but he said most of Iraq's stockpile of chemical warfare devices would survive.

News and government reports out of Liberia say President Samuel Doe was killed by rebels led by Prince Johnson. Travelers returning to the capital of Monrovia say Doe died in a rebel camp where he was taken yesterday after being wounded in a heated gun battle. They say his badly mutilated body was displayed at the rebel camp outside the capital. Rebel leader Charles Taylor says both rebel groups should now sit down to talks.

It appears certain that White House and congressional budget negotiators will miss their UNofficial midnight deadline for reaching a deficit-reduction agreement. The negotiators disagreed on virtually every

aspect of a 500-BILLION-dollar reduction plan. The two sides talked face-to-face only briefly today, with most of their time spent in separate party meetings.

NASA officials say the path is clear for the shuttle Columbia to take off next week. Space agency technicians replaced three suspect fuel lines during the weekend, presumably repairing the latest glitch grounding the spaceplane. Meanwhile, a two-day practice countdown is underway for the shuttle Discovery in preparation for its scheduled October 5th launch.

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#90253u1965 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 10) UPI - The manufacturer of a promising new AIDS drug says it is cutting some of the red tape that people with AIDS previously had to go through to get the drug. Hoffman-La Roche will NO longer require AIDS patients to prove that they are UNable to take two other AIDS medications in order to qualify for D-D-C. Among the apparent benefits of D-D-C is that it has fewer side effects when compared to other medications available.

Radical deputies in the Supreme Soviet are calling for the forced resignation of Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov. The deputies issued the call as the parliament opened its fall session today... citing Ryzhkov's reluctance to support a quick switch to a market economy. They also proposed changing the agenda of the parliamentary session... charging that the official program was full of secondary items.

Authorities in Gainesville, Florida, refused to comment today on published weekend reports that police had turned up a knife possibly used in the murder of five college students. Investigators did reveal that they are analyzing blood and semen in an attempt to shed light on the brutal homicides. Police have eight suspects. Two are in custody.

Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos says he has ordered a review of seven agencies that continue to accredit schools with a high amount of student loan defaults. The announcement by Cavazos comes two days before a Senate subcommittee hearing on the problem. A congresisonal source who did NOT want to be identified says Cavazos is trying to divert the heat he'll receive because of problems with the student loan program.

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(SEPT 10) CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record

Increased				
TCBY Enterprises Inc	Q	.10	9-25	9-19
Distribution				
Vanguard RE Fund I	Q	.15	10-31	9-26
Vanguard RE Fund II	Q	.15	10-31	9-26
Usual				
AL Laboratories Inc	Q	.04	10-5	9-21
Bristol-Myers Squibb	Q	.53	11-1	10-5
Capstead Mortgage	Q	.57	9-28	9-20
Communications Sys	..	.06	10-1	9-21
CRI Insured Mtge	Q	.27	9-28	9-19
Lowe's Cos Inc	Q	.13	10-31	10-17
MuniInsured Fund Inc	M	.05 1/4	10-3	9-21
Rykoff-Sexton Inc	Q	.15	10-8	9-24
Worldwide Value Fund	Q	.33	10-10	9-26

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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CUPERTINO, Calif. (SEPT. 11) UPI - Tandem Computers Inc., citing economic weakness in several markets, said Monday it expected growth to fall below Wall Street expectations.

Although sales remain strong, the amount of time to close orders has been longer than expected, James Treybig, chief executive officer, said in a statement issued after the close of the stock market.

Tandem has instituted cost control measures to maintain acceptable profit margins during the period of slower growth, Treybig said.

Tandem, which makes fail-safe computers used in banking, airline reservations, stock trading and other markets, said economic slowdowns in several geographic regions, including the Eastern United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, and Australia, made it difficult to forecast results.

In the third quarter ended June 30, Tandem posted earnings of $32.4 million, or 30 cents a share, on revenue of $472 million.

The company said new products, including the year-old Cyclone mainframe computer and the newer Unix-based Integrity S2 system, are selling well, particularly is such high-growth areas as Japan, Southeast Asia, Germany, the Netherlands, Italy and Spain.

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(SEPT 10) UPI - A late rally Monday that may have been triggered by unfounded rumors of Iraqi troop movements toward Jordan and Saudi Arabia wiped out earlier losses and drove U.S. crude-oil prices up more than a $1 a barrel.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery ended the day up $1.26 at $31.30 a barrel after being down on the day as much as $1.69. The Merc was trading WTI near $29 a barrel about an hour before the 3:10 p.m. EDT close.

''There were rumors circulating, although I didn't hear them until after the close,'' said Michael McDermott of Paine Webber Inc. in New York.

''I never heard them until after the close. Nobody knew until after the fact,'' concurred Kirk Kinnear of the Phibro Division of Salomon Brothers, Greenwich Conn. ''It was the craziest thing I ever saw.''

The State Department denied that there had been any unusual movement of Iraqi troops.

Kinnear attributed the rise mainly to traders taking profits on prior short positions staked out in anticipation of prices falling and the rally accelerating as prices passed through key resistance levels.

''The critical factor was short covering. It was a short-covering rally that just got out of hand,'' the analyst said.

Once the WTI price rose through Friday's $30.04 closing price about 15 minutes before the Monday close, the rally picked up momentum and it really picked up speed when prices pierced Friday's $30.85 high, McDermott said.

''There was no news that would justify this move. I think it shows how panic-stricken the market is,'' said Tom Bentz, trading director at New York's United Energy Inc.

Overseas on the European spot market where crude barrels are bought and sold for cash, Britain's North Sea Brent shot up 70 cents to $31.10 a barrel after being down $1.10 earlier.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped primarily to the Far East - gained 55 cents to $27.15 a barrel. Earlier, it was down 80 cents from Friday's quote.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt delivery WTI was quoted at $31.25 a barrel, a rise of $1.25.

On the Merc, October delivery unleaded gasoline was up 1.50 cents to 94.56 cents a gallon after trading as low as 87 cents a gallon.

October home heating oil added 1.91 cents to 85.89 cents a gallon, after being as low as 78.50 cents a gallon.

Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay Ohio unit of USX Corp., raised the posted price it will pay for crude as it comes out of the wellhead by $1.50 to $30 a barrel.

The plunge in crude prices early in the day was attributed to the weekend summit between President Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev not agreeing on military action to oust Iraq from Kuwait, which it has occupied since the Aug. 2 invasion, and Iraq offering free oil to Third World nations.

''Bush and Gorbachev did not issue a joint declaration of war. That's the cute reason,'' said Peter Gignoux of Shearson Lehman Hutton's London office.

A Saddam spokesman on Iraqi television said, ''We declare we are prepared to supply Third World countries with oil free of charge.''

He said the action was being taken as an act of solidarity with Third World nations whose economies were being hurt by the enormous rise in oil prices caused by the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude imposed in the wake of the invasion.

The offer was made irrespective of the countries' positions on the gulf conflict, and that it did not violate U.N. sanctions because it was being offered free of charge, the Iraqi spokesman said.

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#90253u1990 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 10) UPI - Seattle's 40-year-old Ken Griffey and Pittsburgh pitcher Doug Drabek Monday were named Players of the Week in their respective major leagues for last week.

Griffey, united with his 20-year-old son Ken Griffey Jr. on the Mariners after being released from Cincinnati, went 12 for 19 for a .632 batting average last week. He had two doubles, a home run, seven RBI and an .895 slugging percentage.

Drabek pitched the Pirates to two victories last week. He completed one game and allowed just two earned runs on 11 hits over 16 2-3 innings. He struck out nine and walked two.

White Sox reliever Bobby Thigpen, Oakland teammates Mark McGwuire and Rickey Henderson and Minnesota's Kirby Puckett and Shane Mack were also nominated in the AL. Other NL nominees include Mets pitcher Dwight Gooden and rookies Dave Justice of Atlanta and Delino DeShields of Montreal.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 10) UPI - House and Senate negotiators have agreed tentatively on key clean air legislation concerning industrial sources of urban smog, with senators generally accepting tougher House-passed provisions, congressional aides said Monday.

The aides, who asked not to be identified, said staff discussions had produced the preliminary agreement, which still must be formally approved by lawmakers on the House-Senate conference committee working out differences between the versions passed by the two chambers earlier this year.

Aides said it was not yet decided when the conference committee would meet but it could happen this week.

Assuming it holds up, the tentative agreement on industrial sources of smog would mark a key victory for environmentalists as well as a major step forward for the negotiators, who have been criticized for moving too slowly.

Environmentalists say the House position on industrial sources of smog - such as factories, dry cleaners and commercial printing shops - is much more stringent than that passed by the Senate.

In particular, the House bill would place emission controls on facilities releasing as little as 10 tons of smog-causing pollutants each year in the dirtiest cities, such as Los Angeles. In contrast, the Senate bill would regulate only those emitting 100 tons or more per year, no matter how bad a city's smog problem.

The House bill also would require the Environmental Protection Agency to impose pollution cleanup plans on states or cities that drag their feet on costly but necessary emission controls. The Senate bill would allow - but not require - such federal enforcement.

Environmentalists say the threat of a ''federal implementation plan'' is a major factor pushing state and local officials to act on air pollution. They also noted such EPA intervention was required under current law.

On a third key issue, the House bill does not contain a key loophole

inserted in the Senate measure that would allow state and local officials to avoid imposing emission controls costing more than $5,000 per ton of pollutants eliminated.

Environmentalists said that waiver authority would undermine the bill's over-arching requirement that all cities that do not meet federal air quality standards must reduce smog-causing emissions by 3 percent each year until they come into compliance.

They said the waiver authority would allow state and local authorities to avoid economically unpalatable controls even if they were needed to meet the 3 percent annual reduction rule.

The conference committee reportedly also has reached a tentative agreement on provisions requiring all industrial polluters to obtain permits specifying the emission control measures they must take.

Environmentalists say strong permit provisions are essential to ensure federal and state officials have the legal tools to enforce the clean air goals set out by the bill.

However, industry lobbyists say Congress must provide industry with some level of certainty that authorities will not toughen permits after factory operators go through the long process of obtaining them. They also want some flexibility allowing plant operators to change manufacturing processes - and thus emissions - without excessive red tape.

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#90253u2030 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

NORFOLK, Va. (SEPT. 11) UPI - A federal prosecutor charged Monday that the founders of Landbank Equity Corp. defrauded creditors across the country through a massive pyramid scheme that left millions of dollars in unpaid debt.

Landbank, which grew to become one of the East Coast's larger second-mortage firms before folding in 1985, was founded by William and Marika Runnells. The two are standing trial on dozens of fraud charges related to the collapse of the firm, formally based in Virginia Beach, Va.

Joseph Fisher, a special assistant U.S. attorney, told jurors in opening statements that the Runnellses perpetuated a ''massive scheme to defraud savings and loan institutions nationwide,'' as well as ''countless'' other creditors.

''The losses are in the tens of millions of dollars and are still growing '' said Fisher, noting the scheme would ''rob Peter to pay Paul.''

Defense attorneys for the Runnellses acknowledged their clients had made mistakes, but countered they were not part of any scheme to defraud the public and the government.

''It's an American dream which just failed,'' said David Bouchard, an attorney representing Marika Runnells.

The trial in U.S. District Court began nearly 2 1/2 years after the Runnellses were first indicted on charges including bankruptcy fraud, racketeering, conspiracy and tax evasion. Two indictments name William Runnells on some 95 counts.

The couple fled Virginia to avoid prosecution, but U.S. District Judge J. Calvitt Clarke has ruled prosecutors cannot present the information to jurors. The two were arrested in Dallas earlier this year, where they ran hypnosis clinics similar to those they previously had operated in California.

Fisher revealed Monday he will call House Speaker A.L. Philpott, D-Bassett, to testify about Landbank's meddling in the establishment of interest rate caps in Virginia. Fisher noted the Runnellses paid the late state Sen. Peter Babalas $66,000 in an attempt to influence his voting on banking legislation.

Fisher said a proposal several years ago to cap rates at eight points could have helped prevent Landbank from making an additional $60 million in tenuous loans. Babalas had a hand in blocking the legislation, Fisher said.

Fisher said the Runnellses thrived on providing high-interest loans - up to 18 percent - to poor credit risks. The loans at one point reached $200 million.

Fisher said Landbank once operated 33 branches in Virginia, Maryland, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. Insurers based as far away as California and London backed loans.

Bouchard and William Runnells's attorney, Richard Brydges, said creditors and insurers must share blame for Landbank's demise.

''Points are not immoral,'' Bouchard said in reference to interest on loans. ''They're not illegal.''

Brydges said William Runnells, an eighth-grade dropout, deserved credit for developing a major business. He suggested Runnells may have gambled away money in an effort to get back at his wife.

Several Runnells family members and former Landbank executives have been

convicted of various fraud charges in recent years.

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#90253u2036 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

GROSSE POINTE, Mich. (SEPT. 11) UPI - Mercedes-Benz North America said Monday it will pay nearly $18.6 million in penalties this year for not meeting government-mandated corporate average fuel economy (CAFE) standards.

The West German luxury car distributor, during a preview of its 1991 models in the posh Detroit suburb of Grosse Pointe, said its CAFE this year will be 21.2 mpg. The CAFE standard for 1990 is 27.5 mpg, up from 26.5 mpg in 1989.

Last year, Mercedes paid $20.4 million in CAFE penalties because of its overall rating of 21.4 mpg, officials said.

MBNA executives justified the penalties by saying its owners still desire heavy, substantial and safe cars. ''Advanced safety has its weight penalties,'' said Peter Patrone, MBNA's manager of product planning.

Nonetheless, the carmaker plans to counter the fuel penalties with a line of new diesel-engined cars introduced this year that have so far been selling slightly above projected levels of 4,000 a year - although they are prohibited from sale in California because of stricter emission laws.

Mercedes also plans to redesign all of its gasoline engines and adopt more four-valve-per-cylinder designs and new fuel injection systems in coming years, Patrone said.

Also intended to offset some of the mileage fines for 1991 is a new version of its compact 190E line, fitted with a 130-horsepower 2.3 liter four-cylinder engine with either a manual or automatic transmission.

Prices are $28,050 and $28,950 respectively, and they are the first Mercedes offered in two years for under $30,000.

Mercedes cars cost up to $89,300, excluding an owner-paid $1,050 gas guzzler tax, for its 500SL roadster introduced for 1990, though its best selling model is the mid-sized 300E sedan, which costs $47,200.

MBNA announced an average 3.3 percent price increase late last month.

Albert Weiss, general manager of marketing at the company's Montvale, N.J. headquarters, said Middle East tensions have so far not affected U.S. sales because people still want high-technology, safety and V8 engine power.

''The cost-of-fuel issue does not seem to be a problem at this time,'' Weiss said, but cautioned that limited fuel availability could crimp sales for Mercedes as well as other manufacturers.

Weiss said he expects MBNA's U.S. sales this year to total 75,000 cars as projected, down slightly from 75,714 cars sold in 1989. About 40 percent of those deliveries are for leases.

But Weiss declined to forecast sales for 1991 among its 420 U.S. dealers because of the uncertain economy and unstable geopolitical events.

While most car models are unchanged for 1991, Mercedes will offer three new electronic systems to improve traction and ride comfort.

The traction devices are called ASD and ASR, acronyms derived from German abbreviations that loosely translate into ''automatic locking differential'' and ''automatic slip control.''

ASD, a $1,050 option on selected models, automatically locks the car's rear differential to offer improved traction. ASR, a more sophisticated system offered as an option for between $1,975 and $2,475 depending on model, electronically applies the brakes to the drive wheel or wheels that are about to spin, while reducing engine output to match available traction.

Offered as a $3,800 option on its 300SL and 500SL roadsters is ADS (adaptive damping system), which automatically adjusts the shock absorber settings for optimum ride.

Last July, MBNA announced a corporate restructuring to decentralize its operations and align its marketing areas according more to demographics than geographic sales zones.

The restructuring, the first since MBNA was created in 1965, breaks the country into four regions instead of seven sales zones.

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SAN JOSE, Calif. (SEPT. 10) UPI - The semiconductor industry's benchmark indicator dipped in August to its lowest level since November, the Semiconductor Industry Association said Monday.

The closely watched book-to-bill ratio, which compares orders with shipments, fell to 0.99 in August from 1.0 in July, the SIA reported. It was the first time the measure, which is based on a rolling three-month average, had dropped below 1.0 since November 1989, when it was 0.95.

A book-to-bill ratio of 0.99 means that for every $100 of semiconductors shipped to the U.S. market in the three months ended in August, chip manufacturers received new orders worth $99. A ratio of less than 1.0 is considered unhealthy for the industry.

Growth in shipments outpaced growth in orders, the SIA said.

Average monthly bookings, or orders, for the three months ended in August were $1.2 billion, up from $1.19 billion in the three months ended in July the SIA said.

Average monthly billings, or shipments, was $1.22 billion, up from $1.19 billion in the July-ended period, the trade group said.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - Iraq today announced it will provide Third World nations with free oil. An Iraqi Information Ministry spokesman said the offer would NOT go against U-N trade sanctions against Baghdad. But the White House says whether the oil is free or NOT... it would violate the U-N embargo. Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater adds that the offer is an attempt by Saddam Hussein to deflect attention from his aggression in Kuwait.

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Lawmakers returned to the upper chamber today and expressed anger at the lack of involvement... militarily or monetarily... of certain countries in responding to the Persian Gulf crisis. In the first day of activity since the August recess... Senators adopted a resolution calling on President Bush to ensure that other countries shoulder their fair share of responsibilities in th Middle East.

Witnesses in the West African nation of Liberia today said the bullet-riddled body of President Samuel Doe was being displayed at a rebel camp outside the capital of Monrovia. Doe was killed by rebels led by Prince Johnson... one of two guerrilla leaders who had been fighting to oust him. The other rebel leader- Charles Taylor- says the groups should now hold talks to end their differences.

B-P America Incorporated has agreed to pay 445-thousand dollars to settle racial discrimination charges made by the government. The money will go to 500 minority job applicants who were NOT hired for clerical positions. The government says the difference between B-P's percentage of minority applicants and percentage of minority hires constituted racial discrimination. The firm says the difference resulted from its recruitment

of minority applicants.

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#90253u2058 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 10) UPI - Cambodian resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk today told organizers of peace talks in Jakarta, Indonesia, that he's taking a six-month leave of absence for health reasons. Sihanouk says the illness will prevent him from becoming a member of a U-N-sanctioned body that will represent his homeland. Delegates at the talks say they've reached an agreement that could pave the way for an end to Cambodia's 11-year war.

Pope John Paul wrapped up his 10-day African visit today by blessing a massive house of worship in the Ivory Coast. 100-thousand people gathered in and around the 200-Million-dollar Basilica of Our Lady of Peace. The pontiff praised the generosity of the Ivory Coast's Roman Catholic president for constructing the house of worship. The temple was built despite the country's 15-BILLION-dollar foreign debt.

The Canadian government says it will NOT give amnesty to Mohawk Indians suspected of crimes during an eight-week standoff with authorities at a reserve south of Montreal. Officials say the Indians want to set up a parallel government to conduct its own investigation of the confrontation. Canadian officials say a separate government would be UNconstitutional.

A lawyer for the pop music group New Kids on the Block says he will appeal today's decision by a federal judge to dismiss lawsuits against two newspapers that used the group's trademarks to hawk 900-line phone surveys. The Los Angeles judge said the papers were protected by the First Amendment from trademark infringement.

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#90253u2093 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
SEATTLE (SEPT. 10) UPI - A Congressional bill that would place highly restrictive quotas on imported textiles would damage U.S. relationships with international trading partners and hurt American consumers, U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills said Monday.

Hills said the Textile, Apparel and Footwear Act of 1990, which passed the Senate by a 68-32 margin in July and is pending in the House, would reverse years worth of negotiations in breaking down international trade barriers and would open up trade wars that could wreak havoc on developing nations.

The bill, which passed the Senate after heavy lobbying by the U.S. textile industry, would effectively scrap textile and apparel agreements the

United States has negotiated with 38 nations and sharply reduce the growth of textile imports to about 1 percent a year, down from a current annual average of 3.5 percent. Israel and Canada would be exempt from the bill's provisions.

Hills' comments at a luncheon sponsored by the Washington Council on International Trade repeated earlier denunciations of the bill by the Bush administration. President Bush is expected to veto the bill should it be passed by Congress.

''The textile industry wants not to just preserve the three decades of protections that have kept U.S. apparel prices artificially high, but to expand them,'' Hills said.

''The bill before the House would apply quotas to new items and make existing protections permanent. It would eliminate incentives for the industry to adjust to market forces as the rest of American industry must do,'' she said.

Despite the vehement objections of the free-trade oriented administration, however, Hills said she expected the fight over the textile bill to be ''a very tough one.''

If the bill becomes law it will have far-reaching consequences affecting more than just the textile industry, Hills said.

She said countries directly affected by the stiffer quotas would retaliate by raising their tariffs on U.S. exports, such as agricultural goods and high-technology products.

Hills said the cost to American consumers would be high - an estimated $160 billion over the next five years, or about $2,600 a year for a family of four.

She also said it would undercut developing nations with large textile industries, including political allies.

''This would tell our allies that the United States is willing to ignore its obligations at the very moment we are seeking to forge an historic international alliance to confront Iraqi aggression,'' she said, referring to efforts to isolate Iraq because of its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''Passage of the bill would directly abrogate agreements recently entered into with Turkey and Egypt, two countries that are indispensable to our efforts to solidify crucial international cooperation,'' she said.

Hills said the bill would send ''precisely the wrong message'' to the countries involved in the current four-year round of the General Agreement

on Tariffs and Trade, or GATT, the on-going negotiations aimed at easing international trade. The current GATT talks are scheduled to end in December.

''To pass such a piece of protectionist legislation closing the U.S. market after 3 1/2 years of negotiating to open world markets will be seen as the height of hypocrisy - in essence saying to the world, 'Do as we say not as we do.'''

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 10) UPI - Three former Sundstrand Corp. executives wove a web of lies to prevent auditors from uncovering a defense fraud scheme that cost taxpayers millions of dollars, a federal prosecutor said Monday.

''These defendants were sharp,'' Assistant U.S. Attorney Lisa Kate Osofsky told Senior U.S. District Judge Prentice H. Marshall. ''They knew Sundstrand's accounting procedures inside and out and they used their knowledge to confuse government employees.''

But defense attorney Henry Schuelke said the case was the result of semantic wrangling over accounting procedures.

Defendants Joseph McCarthy, 54, and Ralph G. Hamann, 64, both of Rockford, Ill., and Ray John Chapel Jr., 47, of Reston, Va., waived their right to a jury trial, agreeing to have Marshall render the verdict.

They are charged with conspiracy to defraud, scheming to conceal fraudulent practices and making false statements. If convicted, they could face up to five years in jail.

''At the heart of this case are the defendants' lies,'' Osofsky said in the government's opening argument. ''They knew what Sundstrand should have been doing and they knew it wasn't doing it.''

Rockford-based Sundstrand pleaded guilty to five counts of a federal indictment for defense fraud on Oct. 21, 1988, and agreed to pay $115 million in penalties and reparation - the biggest recovery ever in a defense fraud case.

The company also agreed to repay the government an additional $62.3 million on administrative issues regarding its accounting procedures.

Sundstrand, a Fortune 500 company, has 15,000 employees worldwide, including 4,000 in Rockford. It manufactures electronic, mechanical and hydraulic systems for the government and diversified aerospace and industrial markets.

Osofsky said the company often got government contracts by submitting bids at below cost - then recovered the loss and turned a profit by padding overhead expenses.

Under contracting procedures, there are separate accounts for each government contract placed with a contractor. In addition, there is another account for so-called ''overhead costs'' - like adminstrative expenses - that are not specifically associated with fulfilling any single contract.

The overhead costs are then divided based on what percentage of the contractors' business each client provided. If 60 percent of a company's revenues came from defense contracts, 60 percent of overhead costs would be billed to the government.

Osofsky said Sundstrand used these accounts to bill cost overruns on contracts for which it submitted artificially low bids. She also said the company often would bill engineering and design costs through the overhead account so it could retain design rights, which would normally pass to the government.

McCarthy was vice president for finance and administration in the Aviation Division of Sundstrand's Advanced Technology Group. Hamman was a supervisor in the pricing and government accounting section, and Chapel was pricing manager and director of business planning.

''The defendants aren't charged with implementing Sundstrand's faulty cost-accounting procedures,'' Osofsky said. ''What they are charged with and what they did was lie about that faulty practice and conceal it from the United States government.''

She said evidence would show that the illicit procedures were questioned by the defendants' subordinates at least three times between 1980 and 1986 and that, each time, the defendants moved to cover up the improprieties.

One one occasion, she said, McCarthy ordered destruction of a report that said cost overruns were being improperly billed to overhead accounts.

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#90253u2131 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - The Senate returned to work today after its August recess and immediately turned its attention to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Many members of Congress are angered by the huge financial burden the United States has taken on in trying to halt Iraqi aggression in the Persian Gulf.

Senators approved by a voice vote today a resolution that applauds President Bush for his diplomatic efforts on behalf of the U-S operation.

But it also calls on Bush to make sure that other countries are contributing their fair share to the defense of the region.

The measure was sponsored by Arizona Democrat Dennis DeConcini, who says other countries can and should do more to support the effort to drive Iraq out of Kuwait. DeConcini pointed out Japan and West Germany as nations that are shirking their responsibilities.

The resolution also said oil-producing countries that may benefit from the jump in crude prices caused by the crisis should help shoulder the cost.

President Bush is spending the evening putting the finishing touches on the speech he will present to the American public tomorrow night.

The scheduled appearance before a joint session of Congress comes as Bush enjoys UNprecedented public approval for his handling of the situation in the Persian Gulf. But there are rumblings on Capitol Hill that Bush needs to present a clear image of what U-S interests are at stake in the Middle East.

Since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait August 2nd, Bush has justified deploying U-S troops to... preserve low oil prices... to re-establish Kuwaiti sovereignty... to maintain regional stability... and to protect the American ''way of life.''

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Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the president spent today shoring up international support to maintain the pressure against Iraq. Fitzwater said Bush contacted the leaders of Canada, France, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Turkey to stress the unity he and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev displayed yesterday.

However, although the two men showed UNprecedented harmony in opposing Iraqi aggression, there are points of contention. One was Gorbachev's refusal to accept Washington's bid to increase the Soviet miltary presence in the region.

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#90253u2145 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - The reported death of Liberian President Samuel Doe has prompted three groups to declare themselves in control of the western African nation.

Doe was first reported to have been injured in a fierce battle yesterday between his presidential guard and rebels loyal to Prince Johnson. 64 people were said to have been killed in the bloodshed, and Doe was placed under arrest by Johnson's men.

Witnesses and radio reports say Doe later died, although it is NOT clear if his death came from wounds already received or injuries possibly incurred later.

The three groups assuming control include Johnson's rebel group. Another rebel leader... Charles Taylor... says he will take command until elections can be held. Also calling for control on an interim basis is the head of the armed forces, Brigadier General David Nimlay, who declared the formation of the National Interim Defense Council when Doe was seized yesterday.

NO progress was reported today at Andrews Air Force base, where Democratic and G-O-P budget negotiators met in an attempt to pare the fiscal 1991 spending plan by 50-BILLION dollars.

Sources say the day was punctuated by squabbling and what a Democratic aide called the refusal of Republicans to compromise on any points. The bickering made it doubtful that the two sides would piece together a spending package before tonight's self-imposed deadline.

Earlier in the day, White House officials expressed doubt that the talks would lead to any concrete measures. Treasury Secretary Brady said that the sessions were- in his words- ''going NOWHERE fast.''

A White House official also cited Budget Director Richard Darman's pessimism toward achieving a deficit-reduction plan before automatic budget cuts are enacted at the start of the fiscal year, October 1st.

House Speaker Thomas Foley disagreed with the negative assessments, saying an agreement would be reached.

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(SEPT. 10) UPI - There's now evidence that points to a possible sexual assault in the slayings of five students knifed to death in Gainesville, Florida.

A crime laboratory expert revealed today that technicians were analyzing blood and semen samples as part of their investigation into the slayings.

Before today, authorities had refused to say whether any of the victims

had been sexually assaulted.

But Florida Department of Law Enforcement laboratory worker Steve Platt acknowledges that D-N-A tests are being run on semen samples.

Platt says lab experts are going over 500 pieces of evidence gathered from the three apartments where the victims were found two weeks ago. He compares the investigation to putting together three complex puzzles at the same time.

A newspaper report over the weekend says one of those pieces of evidence is a knife that was discovered hidden in a milk carton at the home of suspect Edward Humphrey.

Platt and other authorities today refused to discuss the knife.

The shuttle Columbia has been tentatively cleared for another launch attempt. NASA officials have tabbed September 17th as the tentative date the ailing space plane will lift off and conduct a 10-day astronomical mission.

However, space agency officials concede that the three fuel pumps replaced during the weekend may NOT be the source of the craft's latest problem. Tests conducted on the suspect pumps failed to produce the same leak blamed for grounding the shuttle last week.

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Meanwhile, the shuttle Discovery is in the midst of a two-day practice countdown. Discovery is slated to lift off October 5th with the Ulysses solar probe in its payload.

Technicians are keeping a close eye on Discovery's cooling system to ensure that a slow Freon leak does NOT worsen. Engineers recommended clearing Discovery for its time-limited launch date.

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DETROIT (SEPT. 10) UPI - Iveco Trucks of North America, Inc., a U.S. subsidiary of Italian carmaker Fiat's Iveco S.p.A., confirmed Monday it will pull out of the U.S. market by mid-1991 after 13 years because of intense competition.

Company spokesman Bill Eichner said the Blue Bell, Pa., distributors of medium-duty trucks was told of the decision late last week by Iveco, headquartered in Torino, Italy.

The decision to cease new truck sales was made because Iveco now markets only diesel- powered medium-duty trucks, when its competitors - mostly Japanese nameplates, market a full range of gasoline and diesel trucks, Eichner said.

Iveco will no longer distribute its Italian-built ''Euro'' product line in the United States, effective Dec. 31, 1991. It will continue to accept orders for those models until June 30, 1991.

Iveco spokesmen said it was not technically or economically feasible to continue a product line sold only in the United States, or to develop a new line for the U.S. market.

''The product that they are developing would have to be modified too much to meet U.S. standards,'' Eichner said, adding that Iveco North America will continue to provide parts and service support for models sold in the United States for the next 10 years or so.

Iveco sold 1,442 trucks through the first seven months of 1990, up from 1,134 last year, industry figures show.

The company had slated a series of dealer meetings later this month to announce a sales incentive program to sell remaining 1990 models. Those meetings are still planned, Eichner said, but the main topic among Iveco's 160 U.S. dealers will concern the market withdrawal.

''I'm speechless,'' Dave Busby, an Iveco dealer in San Diego, told trade publication Automotive News. ''They were saying they would have a full line and were serious about this market.''

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RIO DE JANEIRO (SEPT. 10) UPI - Brazilian President Fernando Collor de Mello said he would stand by a U.N. embargo of Iraq despite an Iraqi offer to give petroleum to Third World countries that break the trade ban.

Presidential spokesman Claudio Humberto Rosa e Silva told reporters the president made the decision in a six-hour meeting with ministers and other high government officials Monday afternoon.

Rosa e Silva said that Brazil's standing by the U.N. embargo ''was a consequence of and in accord with the decision of the Security Council of the United Nations'' to ban trade with Iraq and Kuwait following the August 2 Iraqi invasion of its smaller neighbor.

Prior to the outbreak of the Persian Gulf conflict, Iraq was Brazil's chief external source of petroleum. With the U.N. boycott, Brazil lost

petroleum imports of 160,000 barrels per day from Iraq and 30,000 barrels from Kuwait.

Brazil, the largest country in Latin America with the world's fifth largest economy, consumes 1.1 million barrels of crude each day, approximately 500,000 barrels of which is imported. Since the embargo, Brazil has had to increase petroleum imports from Venezuela, Iran and Malaysia to make up for losing the Iraqi crude.

In a surprise televised speech Monday, an Iraqi government spokesman offered Third World countries free petroleum if they would break the U.N. blockade.

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#90253u2168 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - The Soviet parliament opened its fall session today... one which the Tass news agency says ''marks the end of the prepatory stage of perestroika.''

Many of the deputies in the Supreme Soviet made it immediately known that they are ready to get to the working stage of perestroika... calling for Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov's forced resignation.

The radical deputies are angered because they say Ryzhkov is moving too slow toward a market economy.

One deputy said the parliament had NO right to leave in office a government that- in his words- ''has proved incapable of pulling the country out of crisis.''

The Parliament chairman said a NO-confidence vote could only be considered after Ryzhkov presented a revised goernment plan for dealing with a tumbling economy and the move toward a market system. The premier is scheduled to give that report tomorrow.

Soviet President Gorbachev is also set to attend tomorrow's session. The radical deputies want Gorbachev to address the body about the state of the nation.

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#90253u2234 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - The House voted today to partially restore regulation of the cable television industry. Responding to complaints of steep rate increases and poor service... the bill would require the Federal Communications Commission to regulate cable prices.

South African President Frederik de Klerk met leaders of the right- wing Conservative Party today to hear charges that police torture suspected white extremists. Party officials allege police use electric shocks and force prisoners to breathe insecticide.

The Soviet Union said today it will cut oil and natural gas exports to Poland next year. The Soviets blamed the reduction on a drop in production coupled with a greater share sent to Soviet republics.

The World Health Organization reported today that the number of AIDS cases in the western Pacific has nearly doubled over the past year. The report from Manila says Australia, Japan and New Zealand account for most of the reported cases.

A survey published today says most women feel that a celebrity's sexual preference should be kept secret. The survey also found seven out of 10 respondents believe journalists go too far in publishing the sexual secrets of celebrities.

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#90253u2318 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 10) UPI - Secretary of State Baker issued an eight-point request package to NATO allies today in Brussels. Among the requests was the deployment of ground troops and financial aid to bolster the U-S-led effort against Iraqi aggression. NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner said the alliance's foreign ministers gave a ''favorable response'' to Baker's list. But the Western alliance did NOT make vows to send military personnel.

Iraq and Iran... bitter foes who waged a bloody war from 1980 through 1988... agreed today to resume diplomatic relations. Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz called for the resumed bond as he visited Iranian officials in Tehran. Iran's state-run news agency today announced at least symbolically improved relations. There's NO word if Iran will provide an export channel for Iraqi oil.

The fourth planeload of Americans who were detained in Kuwait and Iraq touched down on U-S soil this evening. The 164 passengers... more than half of them children... seemed subdued as they stepped off the plane at the Baltimore-Washington Intrernational Airport. Many of those aboard the flight said they lived in constant fear following the Iraq invasion.

A 77-year-old grandmother received an indefinite prison sentence today from a judge in Newport, Rhode Island, who thinks the grandmother knows the location of her two missing grandchildren. Mary Pigeon is to remain in prison until she reveals the whereabouts of her two granddaughters. Pigeon's daughter took off with the children five years ago. The

children's father initiated the legal proceedings.

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#90253u2334 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 10) UPI - A federal judge today found that California's ban on the sale of assault weapons IS constitutional. The ruling in Fresno dismissed a suit by the National Rifle Association... which claimed that the law violates the Second Amendment right to bear arms. The judge said U-S Supreme Court rulings prevent federal restrictions on gun ownership... but do NOT prevent states from similar action.

Massachusetts Lieutenant Governor Evelyn Murphy withdrew today from the state's Democratic primary for governor. Murphy recently failed in an attempt to use a trip by Governor Michael Dukakis as a chance to issue a series of executive orders to tackle the state's budget deficit. Dukakis postponed his trip when he learned of Murphy's plans and implemented budget cuts of his own.

Freed Irish hostage Brian Keenan says he was held in the same apartment with Anglican church envoy Terry Waite during part of his nearly four years in captivity in Lebanon. Keenan says Waite was ill... but he believes the former hostage negotiator is alive. Keenan says Waite was held alone in a basement cell... but he identified him by his voice.

House and Senate negotiators have come to terms over key clean air legislation concerning industrial sources of urban smog. Congressional aides say senators generally agreed to accept a tougher House-passed clean air provision. The agreement still needs formal approval from lawmakers on the House-Senate conference committee to iron out differences between the two versions of the legislation.

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#90253u2364 09/10/1990 ~United Press International
BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (SEPT. 11) UPI - Federal regulators have turned down the proposed $3 billion sale of Columbia Savings and Loan Association's junk-bond portfolio, the thrift said Monday.

The Office of Thrift Supervision told Columbia, which is insolvent and facing seizure from the government, that the financial institution should also seek bids for the portfolio in other formats.

Columbia announced July 25 that it had reached an agreement with a Canadian investor group - Gordon America L.P., a partnership affiliated with merchant bank Gordon Investment Corp. of Toronto - to sell its entire junk-bond portfolio at a slight premium.

But regulators said they could not approve the proposed sale, which called for Columbia to finance 90 percent of the deal on a so-called non-recourse basis. That provision meant that if the bonds lost more than 10 percent of their value, Gordon could walk away from the deal and leave Columbia with the bonds.

''We are confident that we have obtained from Gordon America L.P. the most favorable bid for the purchase of Columbia's high-yield bond portfolio in a Columbia-financed transaction,'' said Edward G. Harshfield, president and chief executive officer.

''We will now move expeditiously to seek bids designed to address the alternative financial structures for the purchase requested by OTS,'' Harshfield said.

Columbia became insolvent earlier this year after a massive plunge in the junk-bond market produced nearly $900 million in losses in its portfolio since last summer. Harshfield has said previously that the sale of the portfolio was a key to keeping regulators from seizing Columbia, once among the nation's most profitable thrifts.

Columbia lost $591.1 million last year and $429.9 million for the first six months of this year. As of June 30, it had a negative net worth of $352.2 million.

The OTS said in its announcement that it had asked Columbia to seek other bids because the proposed transaction may not have been in compliance with last summer's thrift bailout legislation requiring all thrifts to divest their junk bonds by 1994. The proposed deal would have left Columbia with a 10-year note for the bonds.

The OTS also said that it withheld approval of the sale because Columbia had not sought all-cash bids for the portfolio and had not considered bids that would have preserved Columbia's interest in any future appreciation of the securities.

The agency, however, praised Harshfield, who took over the posts after Thomas Spiegel resigned late last year. ''We appreciate the manner in which the current management of Columbia, headed by Edward Harshfield, has dealt with this an other problems inherited from the Thomas Spiegel era,'' said OTS Director Timothy Ryan.

The OTS is seeking $25 million in restitution and penalties from Spiegel.

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#90253u2378 09/10/1990 ~United Press International

HONG KONG (SEPT. 10) UPI - Three men overpowered a guard and tossed

homemade bombs into a crowded nightclub early Tuesday, setting a blaze that killed at least six people and injured 23 others, police said.

The three men overpowered the guard at the entrance to the restaurant and gambling club in Hong Kong's Hung Hom district just before 3 a.m. and threw gasoline bombs into crowds of people, police said.

The men escaped in a waiting car, police and witnesses said. Authorities said they suspected the incident was a revenge attack by warring organized crime factions.

Forty people escaped from the burning building. Six people died in the blaze and 23 were injured, seven of them were listed in poor condition at a nearby hospital, officials said.

Firefighters battled the blaze for nearly two hours before putting it out and said the building was heavily damaged and filled with smoke.

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LOUISVILLE, CO (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Storage Technology Corp. (NYSE:STK) Tuesday announced and made available software which makes the StorageTek 4400 ACS available to those data centers with large Siemens AG mainframe processors running the BS2000 R.9.5 and above operating systems.

The Siemens Client Software Component was developed by StorageTek's subsidiary in Germany, Storage Technology GmbH. StorageTek will support Siemens users by managing the connectivity from its subsidiary whose principal offices are in Frankfurt.

Several hundred Siemens processors are installed throughout Europe, especially in Germany, France, Italy, the Netherlands, Switzerland and the U.K.

The Storage Server concept allows ACS attachment to non-IBM operating systems. With the increased connectivity, StorageTek customers in heterogeneous (multivendor) environments will be able to take advantage of the 4400 ACS.

A 1989 International Data Corp. survey of the value of installed CPUs indicates StorageTek has the capability to support 90 percent of the large-scale ''mainframe-class'' CPUs installed worldwide.

Jack Scott, StorageTek vice president of OEM (original equipment manufacturer) and new markets, stated, ''StorageTek continues to demonstrate its commitment to supply information storage and retrieval solutions to its customers.

''Now our 4400 ACS technology, which has set the standard for the industry is available to Siemens mainframe users. Siemens is the largest Europe-based EDP (electronic data processing) and mainframe manufacturer.

''Siemens users now have the increased storage flexibility that the 4400 ACS technology has provided to other mainframe users. This is an important advantage for our Europe-based customers and a response to Siemens strong presence in Germany. In addition, in multiprocessor environments, customers now can share the same 4400 ACS among IBM, Siemens and other mainframes.''

StorageTek introduced the 4400 ACS in January 1987. The 4400 ACS automates 18-track cartridge handling, previously a manual function. Each library module holds approximately 6,000 cartridges.

Sixteen modules containing up to 96,000 cartridges can be connected using pass-through ports. The 4400 ACS integrates robotics, software, hardware and microcode into a system that stores and retrieves data cost-effectively.

With the Siemens connectivity, the StorageTek 4400 ACS now is announced for use in 10 operating environments including Control Data Corp., Cray Research, Digital Equipment Corp., Fujitsu, Bull HN/S.A., IBM, International Computers Ltd., Unisys and UNIX.

Storage Technology Corp. manufactures, markets and services, worldwide, information storage and retrieval subsystems for high-performance computers.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Capcom U.S.A. Inc. and Walt Disney Computer Software Inc. have signed a licensing agreement in which the Santa Clara-based designer of video games will produce four more video game titles featuring Disney characters, the two companies announced Tuesday.

''Our relationship with Disney gives us an excellent strategic advantage, particularly in the successful marketing of Capcom titles and the resulting sell-through to consumers familiar with Disney quality entertainment,'' said Joe Morici, Capcom senior vice president.

Under the terms of the agreement Capcom U.S.A. Inc. will produce the

following titles: TaleSpin, based on a new Disney cartoon that will air on the ''Disney Afternoon'' program starting in September; and three Game Boy titles -- DuckTales, Who Framed Roger Rabbit and a game starring Mickey Mouse.

The first Game Boy title slated for release is DuckTales, due out in November 1990, followed by Who Framed Roger Rabbit in January 1991 and the Mickey Mouse product in May 1991.

TaleSpin, which will be developed for the Nintendo Entertainment System, is expected to be released by the first quarter of 1991, according to Morici.

Disney presented Capcom, U.S.A., with an award at the January Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas, Nev., for having produced the two top-selling video games licensed by Disney in 1989 for use with the Nintendo Entertainment System.

Morici expects that Capcom U.S.A.'s sales, which skyrocketed from $30 million to $100 million for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1990, may double on the strength of the Disney titles alone.

Capcom U.S.A. Inc. was founded in 1985 as a manufacturer of arcade games. One of the first companies to produce games for the Nintendo Entertainment System, Capcom is now a leading international video game developer. The company is setting the pace for state-of-the-art video game design and technology.

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AKRON, OH (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. Tuesday announced a price increase for all its major, associate and private label brand tires effective Nov. 1.

''The price increases for Bridgestone, Firestone and Dayton house brands and private label brand tires will vary from 2 percent to 6 percent,'' said James P. McCann, executive vice president of North American tire sales.

''These increases are due to escalating raw material and distribution

costs,'' McCann said.

The details of these increases will be contained in the brand communications to the trades during the next several weeks.

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CINCINNATI (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Star Banc Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:STRZ) announced that the board of directors Tuesday voted a regular quarterly dividend of 24 cents per share.

This dividend is payable Oct. 15 to shareholders of record Sept. 28. The announcement was made by Oliver W. Waddell, chairman and chief executive officer of the Cincinnati-based holding company.

The corporation and its principal subsidiary, Star Bank N.A., Cincinnati, have paid a dividend each year since the bank's founding in 1863.

Star Banc Corp. common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

Star Banc Corp.'s Star Bank subsidiaries operate 159 offices in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana.

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NEW HAVEN, CT (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - First Constitution Financial Corp., the holding company that owns First Constitution Bank, said its board voted to enlarge its size from 11 to 12 members and elected Daniel J. Miglio to serve as a new member.

Miglio is chief financial officer of Southern New England Telecommunications Corp. and its principal subsidiary, The Southern New England Telephone Co. (SNET).

First Constitution's directors serve concurrently as directors of the bank subsidiary, according to John J. Crawford, president and chief executive officer.

''We are pleased that Dan Miglio is joining our board,'' Crawford said.

''For more than 25 years, he has distinguished himself by effectively carrying out increasingly important financial and corporate responsibilities at SNET, as evidenced by his being elected senior vice president of finance and planning in 1984. He has lived in our area for many years and has continually been active in a diversity of community activities and initiatives.

''An experienced corporate director himself, we know we can count on Dan Miglio to add important insights to our board's direction of First Constitution's business.''

Miglio, 50, joined SNET in 1962, following graduation from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, where he majored in economics.

He progressed through a series of financially oriented staff positions, in addition to holding management assignments in operating areas of the company. He serves as a board member of Southern New England Telecommunications, manages financial and investment operations, and directs strategic planning, legislative and regulatory affairs, and corporate communications. His career includes substantial experience in customer relations.

A resident of Branford, Conn., Miglio is a director of the United States Telephone Assoc., chairman of the finance committee of the Connecticut Joint Council On Economic Education, and a director of the New Haven Symphony Orchestra.

First Constitution Bank is a state-chartered, FDIC-insured savings institution with 22 branches in communities in Fairfield and New Haven counties.

The common shares of the holding company are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, where the trading symbol is FCON.

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RESTON, VA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - SprintMail(sm), US Sprint's innovative electronic messaging service, celebrated it's tenth anniversary this month as the world's premier electronic mail service.

SprintMail was introduced in 1980 as Telemail, and was the first major E-mail service on the market. SprintMail, as it is now known, was designed specifically for intra- and inter-company business messaging for large corporations and government agencies.

Its customers today include Baxter Healthcare, GTE Corp., TRW, Upjohn, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and NASA, among many others.

Since 1980, SprintMail has grown from a simple, computer-based mailbox service with a few thousand users to an applications-driven, global messaging service that can be used to reach hundreds of thousands of users on SprintMail itself, and millions more on interconnected systems, services, local area networks (LANs) and by the off-network delivery of messages through telex, fax and the U.S. Postal Service.

The hallmarks of SprintMail service have always been high reliability, adherence to international standards and leadership in bringing advances in E-mail to market.

The company was instrumental in drafting the international X.400 standards for interconnecting E-mail systems, just as it earlier had helped draft the X.25 standards for the underlying data communications networks.

US Sprint was an early pioneer in offering telex and facsimile delivery, batch delivery via the 3780 protocol, and delivery by the U.S. Postal Service.

Unlike most of its competitors, which provide only public E-mail service, US Sprint also sells Telemail electronic messaging systems and licenses SprintMail(sm) software to national telecommunications administrations and other organizations around the world. More than a dozen Post, telephone and Telegraph (PTT) administrations use SprintMail (Telemail) as their country's national, public messaging service.

Through its systems sales, the company has established solid business relationships with PTT administrations and multinational corporate customers around the world. This unusual combination of services and systems expertise has given US Sprint a definite edge in a marketplace that is increasingly global in its nature and scope.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company, based in Kansas City, Mo.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Mountain Network Solutions Inc., an industry leader in data management solutions for high-performance personal

computers, workstations and LANs, Tuesday unveiled a comprehensive software platform that for the first time allows local area network administrators to protect and manage valuable corporate data in a truly distributed manner.

Mountain's FileTalk 2.0 network data management software system is a set of extensive data management tools. It advances Mountain's software from just hard disk backup utilities to a distributed data management software platform supporting multiple operating environments and host computer systems.

When fully configured, FileTalk 2.0 software will provide network managers the flexibility to create a customized environment that is tailored to their individual requirements.

The FileTalk 2.0 system, because of its distributed nature, can be executed on both single-user workstations and network servers.

FileTalk 2.0 software is the first product that addresses network data protection and data management from the perspective of PC users and network managers. It offers flexibility rather than locking users into structured, centralized schemes that overlook the protection of local hard disk data.

While other products offer some of FileTalk's features, no competitive product offers the integrated solution of the graphical user interface, multiplatform support, flexibility in setup and ease of use.

The company was founded in 1977 and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Nakamichi Corp. Mountain Network Solutions has headquarters at 240 Hacienda Ave., Campbell, Calif., with manufacturing and engineering facilities in nearby Scotts Valley and advanced software research and development facilities in San Diego.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The investment banking firm of Van Kasper & Co. Tuesday announced that Bruce P. Emmeluth has been named managing director, corporate finance, effective immediately.

He has also been named to the executive committee and board of directors.

Emmeluth will have headquarters in the firm's new Los Angeles office.

Emmeluth had previously been associated with Seidler Amdec Securities Inc. since 1970, most recently as senior vice president, corporate finance and a member of Seidler Amdec's board of directors. He was also president of its SAS Capital Corp. subsidiary.

Previously, he was a senior investment analyst in the corporate finance department of The Prudential Insurance Company of America for five years.

Van Kasper, chairman, said, ''Bruce Emmeluth's widely recognized expertise in investment banking throughout his 25-year professional career makes him an invaluable addition to Van Kasper & Co.'s senior management.''

A graduate of Claremont McKenna College with a bachelor's degree in economics, Emmeluth received his master's degree in business administration, finance, from UCLA. He is an allied member of the New York Stock Exchange Inc., a director of Yes Clothing Company Inc. and Denar Corp., a member and past president of the Los Angeles Chapter of The Association for Corporate Growth and a member of the board of advisors of the Entrepreneurial Studies Program at UCLA's John E. Anderson Graduate School of Management.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Allwaste Inc. (NASDAQ:ALWS) announced Tuesday that it has completed the sale of its manufacturing operation, Guzzler Manufacturing Inc., to Powerscreen International PLC, a U.K. company, for cash of approximately $18 million.

The sale of Guzzler will result in a one-time gain of nine cents to 10 cents per share.

R.L. Nelson Jr., Allwaste's chairman, stated, ''The sale of Guzzler Manufacturing is a key strategic step which will allow Allwaste to focus 100 percent of its attention on environmental services. The net proceeds from this sale will be used to continue the expansion of our service businesses.''

Allwaste Inc. is a Houston-based environmental services company with over 90 operating locations throughout the United States and Canada.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - GE Capital Transportation & Industrial Funding, a unit of GE Capital that provides financing to manufacturing, industrial, energy and transportation-related companies, has added three vice presidents, one assistant vice president and two operations/portfolio support professionals to its West Coast Corporate Investments Financing Group and has moved into new offices to better serve its clients.

Based in Century City, vice presidents Brandon Blaylock, Lance Rosenzweig and Stephen Zoota, and assistant vice president, Michael Kane, are responsible for originating, structuring and closing transactions in the $20-million-and-above range.

Transportation & Industrial Funding provides financing for all layers of the capital structure for corporate expansion and recapitalizations, leases and capital projects.

Transportation & Industrial Funding's new Los Angeles offices are located at 1999 Avenue of the Stars, 30th Floor, Los Angeles, Calif. 90067; 213/286-0763. Its West Coast operation oversees business transactions in a geographic area covering Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon and Washington. GE Captial has other Transportation & Industrial Funding offices in Chicago, Dallas, New York, Toronto, Stamford, Conn., and an affiliated group in London.

Blaylock has 11 years experience in finance and the energy industry. Prior to coming to GE Capital, Blaylock was a vice president for First Interstate Bank's capital formation and capital markets group. He also worked in a variety of engineering, marketing and managerial capacities for the Exxon Corp., Crocker Bank and Wells Fargo Bank.

Lance Rosenzweig brings substantial expertise in domestic and international corporate recapitalization and acquisitions to his role of vice president. Before joining GE Capital, Rosenzweig was a vice president of corporate finance at Dean Witter Reynolds and senior vice president at the Australian investment bank, Capel Court Pacific Inc. He also was corporate planning manager for international paper and packaging giant Jefferson Smurfit Corp.

Transportation & Industrial Funding is one of 20 separate business components of AAA-rated GE Capital, a subsidiary of Stamford, Conn.-based GE Financial Services. GE Capital, one of the nation's largest diversified financial service companies, has more than $59 billion in assets.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (AUG. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The West Kootenay Power subsidiary of UtiliCorp United (NYSE:UCU) has modified a pending rate increase request to incorporate a three-year schedule of rate relief.

Under the new request, West Kootenay Power is seeking a 5.5 percent, $3.4 million rate increase that would be effective this year, a 5.6 percent, $3.9 million increase effective in 1991, and a 4.9 percent, $3.7 million increase effective in 1992. The 5.5 percent increase for this year is already being collected on a refundable basis.

It is anticipated that the three-year rate relief schedule will mean a substantial savings in hearing costs. It is the first time that West Kootenay Power has sought a three-year schedule of increases. A hearing before the British Columbia Utilities Commission has been scheduled for Oct. 22.

An earlier one-year request that would have raised rates this year by 6.9 percent, or $4.3 million annually, was reduced due to the availability of additional low priced hydro power under the company's purchased power contract.

The increases are needed to pay for increased costs of purchased power capacity, improvements to transmission and distribution facilities and to offset the impact of inflation. Due to significant load growth in its service territory, West Kootenay Power has increased the amount of wholesale power it purchases and has initiated an aggressive energy conservation program aimed at residential, commercial and industrial customers.

Even with the rate increase, West Kootenay Power's rates will remain among the lowest in North America. All of its generating facilities are hydroelectric. The utility serves approximately 65,000 direct customers and another 40,000 wholesale customers in south-central British Columbia.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides electric and gas service to approximately 820,000 customers in eight states and in British Columbia.

Its divisions are Missouri Public Service, Peoples Natural Gas, Michigan Gas Utilities, West Virginia Power, Northern Minnesota Utilities and Kansas Public Service. West Kootenay Power is a Canadian subsidiary. PSI and UtilCo Group are non-regulated subsidiaries engaged in utility and energy related enterprises.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Spear Financial Services Inc. (NASDAQ:SFNS) Tuesday announced that its second largest shareholder, Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. of Boston, has agreed to sell its 1,086,221 shares of Spear stock to the company for approximately $3.4 million cash.

This transaction, which was solicited by Spear, was at a price of $3-1/8 per share. At the close of trading on Sept. 10, the NASDAQ composite bid for Spear shares was $2-1/2. Prior to this transaction, there were approximately 6.9 million shares outstanding.

''The company reported record revenues for the second quarter of 1990,'' said Charles Spear, chairman and chief executive officer. ''We have looked at a number of acquisition opportunities recently, and we believe that our best opportunity is the reacquisition of our own shares.''

The execution of this trade was handled by Weeden & Co.

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SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Plexus Resources Corp. reports that a drilling program to define reserves at its 100-percent-owned Bornite project, a copper, gold and silver deposit in Marion County, near Mill City, Ore., is completed.

Sixteen holes were drilled and to date 29 holes totalling 21,403 feet have penetrated the cylindrical shaped deposit. Highest grade mineralization tends to occur in the perimeter regions of the deposit, and most holes were designed to transect it and thus have more than one mineral intercept.

Jim Alto, project engineer said, ''We are extremeley pleased with the drilling results. Earlier interpretations of the deposit shape have been confirmed by the program, and reserves are expected to increase from earlier estimates.''

Prior drilling had shown the presence of a high-grade breccia pipe located just beneath the surface and extending vertically for approximately 800 feet. Prior to this year's work, indicated geologic reserves were 2.8 million tons grading 2.44 percent copper, 0.020 ounce per ton gold and 0.58 ounce per ton silver at a 1 percent copper cut off.

Another target is indicated about 1,800 feet to the east of the Bornite pipe and geophysical work is scheduled in September to see if drilling is warranted.

Plexus has established a project office in Mill City, from which project planning and permitting actitivies will be run. The permitting process is scheduled to begin this autumn.

Plexus Resources Corp. is an expanding U.S. natural resources organization with precious metals and oil and gas production as well as extensive base metals interests. The company's shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (PXS) and trade in the United States on NASDAQ (PLUSF).

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Informix Software Inc. (NASDAQ:IFMX) announced Tuesday that it plans to deliver its Informix-OnLine database engine as a NetWare Loadable Module (NLM) for Novell's NetWare 386 operating environment in the fourth quarter of 1990.

OnLine is expected to be the first database server for NetWare 386 providing fault tolerant, online transaction processing (OLTP) performance for users on Novell local area networks.

The new database server for NetWare 386 combines the functionality of Informix-OnLine for the UNIX operating system with support for the multi-threading capabilities and 32-bit architecture of the new Novell environment. OnLine is the first OLTP database engine to support multimedia applications.

With OnLine for NetWare 386, users on Novell LANS can store information objects -- such as word processing documents, graphs, spreadsheets, digitized images, facsimiles and voice -- in an SQL-based relational

database.

Any tool from Informix's complete line of professional and end user application tools can be used to build OnLine database applications. These tools include the Informix-4GL family and Informix's Wingz graphic spreadsheet with the HyperScript graphical programming language.

''With Informix-OnLine for NetWare 386 and Informix's powerful fourth generation programming tools, corporate users for the first time can build and run OLTP-caliber client/server applications on Novell local area networks,'' said Jeff Bork, vice president of marketing for Informix.

''Informix's unique combination of sophisticated application tools and high-performance database server technology enables the company to provide complete, corporate-wide data management solutions to customers.

''For ten years, Informix has been the leader in delivering information management products for open systems environments. The delivery of Informix-OnLine for NetWare 386 reinforces our open systems focus by making our leading DBMS technology available on the standard operating environment for local area networks.''

Informix-OnLine for NetWare 386 delivers the high data availability and performance required for critical business applications that must run 24 hours a day/seven days a week. The product offers easy installation and maintenance as well as online archiving, disk mirroring, fast recovery, support for multimedia data types up to two gigabytes in size, multi-threading capabilities and support for distributed database applications.

High data availability is supported through full and incremental archiving which enables system backup to occur while the application continues to run at peak performance. Disk mirroring automatically duplicates data on a separate disk to protect information in the event of a disk failure. Fast recovery features protect the integrity of the database after a system failure.

OnLine includes a state-of-the-art optimizer that ensures optimal performance by determining the most efficient way to handle complex database queries. Informix has also enhanced the performance of OnLine through the use of shared memory and group commits. The group commit capability enables OnLine to send groups of transactions to the disk at the same time.

The new database server for NetWare 386 also includes a multi-threaded architecture for maximum server performance. In a single-threaded architecture, a separate database engine process is launched on the server for each user accessing the database, draining processing power from the

system. With the multi-threaded architecture, several users can share the same database engine process, significantly reducing the drain on the central processor.

The NetWare 386 version of OnLine also offers an easy-to-use interface for installation and maintenance. The product's three-level installation program enables users installing the database engine to specify their skill level as beginner, intermediate or advanced. For users with little technical expertise, the interface will provide a series of basic questions on the organization's database needs.

Based on the answers, the program will then automatically configure complex parameters such as log buffers and shared memory. More advanced database administrators can use the user-friendly interface to configure the systen exactly to their requirements.

Informix-Star, Informix's distributed database software, is bundled with Informix-OnLine for NetWare 386. With Informix-Star, users can transparently share data from OnLine databases on multiple UNIX-or NetWare 386-based servers.

Informix's full line of application tools will work with Informix-OnLine for NetWare 386. These tools include Wingz, Informix's leading graphic spreadsheet with HyperScript. With the DataLink capability in Wingz, users can access information from an Informix database directly into a Wingz spreadsheet or use HyperScript to create custom graphical database applications.

Wingz is currently available for all major graphical environments including the Macintosh, Microsoft Windows 386, OS/2 Presentation Manager, NextStep for the Next Computer, Open Look for Sun workstations, and Motif for UNIX-based platforms.

Informix's application tools also include the Informix-4GL family of fourth generation programming tools; Informix-SQL, a menu-driven relational database management system; and the Informix-ESQL family of development tools for embedding SQL into C, COBOL and Ada programs. These tools are available for DOS-, OS/2-, and UNIX-based platforms.

Informix plans to make Informix-OnLine for NetWare 386 available worldwide through distributors such as TechData and through authorized resellers. The product has a suggested list price of $4995 for an unlimited number of users.

Informix Software Inc. is a leading supplier of information management software providing solutions from the database through the desktop.

Informix products include powerful distributed database management systems

robust application development tools, and graphical- and character-based productivity software for delivering information to every significant desktop platform.

Headquartered in Menlo Park, Calif., Informix has a European headquarters in London and an Asia/Pacific headquarters in Singapore.

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OCEANSIDE, CA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Athens Corp., a developer and manufacturer of chemical purification technology and equipment, and Texas Instruments have entered into an agreement relating to the purification of hydrofluoric acid.

Under the agreement, Athens will supply Texas Instruments with the chemical reprocessing systems and technical know-how to meet TI's internal requirements for ultra-pure HF. The agreement also allows Athens to market the ultra-pure HF purified and packaged by Texas Instruments to other semiconductor device manufacturers, making Athens a new merchant supplier of ultra-pure chemicals.

The new agreement enables the two companies to leverage their investment to attain world leadership in chemical purity and sub part-per-billion analysis.

TI recently completed its new world class Dallas Chemical Center which supplies ultra-pure chemicals to its Texas semiconductor fabrication sites. Athens Corp., a leader in chemical purification and reprocessing technology, will provide TI the capability to meet its current and future ultra-pure HF needs.

''Our relationship with Athens allows the TI Chemical Operations team the opportunity to promptly meet the requirements currently established for 16MB DRAM fabrication and perhaps beyond,'' notes Dale M. Pescatrice, vice president of Texas Instruments' Semiconductor Materials Division.

Under terms of the agreement, Athens will provide its patented HF purification technology for the new TI Chemical Center. Incoming HF will be purified and packaged for internal use by TI, beginning with the Dallas Memory Wafer Fab. In addition, TI will also package ultra-pure HF for exclusive distribution by Athens.

This agreement signals a diversification for Athens which has traditionally marketed their reprocessing systems to end users for yield

enhancement as well as reductions in chemical consumption and associated toxic waste. With the Texas Instruments pact in hand, Athens will soon be in the position to meet the semiconductor industry's demand for high purity packaged chemicals.

''In recent years, U.S. semiconductor materials leadership has moved offshore,'' noted Athens' president and chief executive officer, Tony Jurvetson. ''Coupling Athens' purification technology with Texas Instruments' world class packaging facility returns aqueous HF purity leadership to the U.S. and benefits the entire semiconductor industry.''

The market for ultra-pure chemicals is expected to grow as stricter containment controls are required for wafer geometries below the 1 micron threshold. In the future, Athens' purification technology will be applied to other high purity chemicals essential to submicron device manufacturing as part of Athens' long-term strategy.

Founded in 1985, Athens Corp. is a world leader in the development and manufacturing of on-site chemical purification and management systems for the semiconductor industry. Athens' customers include the leading captive and merchant semiconductor device manufacturers in the United States, Japan and Korea.

Texas Instruments Inc., headquartered in Dallas, is a high-technology company with sales and operations in more than 30 countries. TI develops, manufacturers and markets semiconductors, defense electronics systems, software productivity tools, computer systems, industrial automation and control systems, electrical controls, metallurgical materials and consumer electronics products.

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MILPITAS, CA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - California Micro Devices Corp. (NASDAQ:CAMD) Tuesday reported profits of $1,173,000, or 28 cents per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, compared with a loss of $3,006,000, or 76 cents per share, for the previous fiscal year.

Revenue for the year was up by 17 percent to $32,286,000, vs. $27,605,000 for the last fiscal year.

Net profit for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, was $68,000, or 2 cents per share, on revenue of $6,969,000, compared with a net loss of $1,058,000, or 27 cents per share, on revenue of $8,339,000 for the like period last year.

''The fiscal year results were a significant improvement over the last year with an increase of $4.7 million in revenue and a corresponding increase of $4.2 million in net profit,'' said Chan Desaigoudar, chairman and chief executive officer of the company.

''The increase in revenue for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, is attributed to the expansion of our customer base during the first two quarters of fiscal 1990, as well as the expansion of applications available to the end users of our data processing and telecommunication products.

''The company has achieved higher revenue per employee. Cost reductions, a higher revenue base, increased efficiencies and better yields contributed to the turnaround,'' added Desaigoudar.

''We are optimistic about our inkjet printhead program and our recently introduced BiCMOS product line of very high-speed data acquisition components. We anticipate revenue growth from these two product areas in the latter part of this fiscal year.

''Because current market conditions for the semiconductor industry are uncertain, and due to reduced shipment levels, we are keeping a close check on expenses so that the company may emerge in a strong financial position to fully capitalize on the BiCMOS and inkjet product opportunities.''

A high-performance, microelectronics component technology company, California Micro Devices designs, manufactures and markets a wide range of electronic components through its microcircuits, Vanguard Semiconductor and Thin Film Division. These components are marketed to communications, computer, industrial, medical, aerospace and military customers.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Airlines Tuesday reported that its August traffic rose three-tenths of a percent vs. August 1989.

Continental's 69.2 percent August load factor was based on 4.1 billion revenue passenger miles (RPMs) and 5.9 billion available seat miles (ASMs).

Year-to-date, Continental's load factor is 61.8 percent, which is comparable to the 1989 level. In the January-August period, Continental flew 26.7 billion RPMs and 43.2 billion ASMs.

Continental Airlines
Preliminary Systemwide Traffic Results

AUGUST	1990	1989	Change
RPMs (000)	4,109,314	4,096,409	+ 0.3 percent
ASMs (000)	5,935,713	5,726,752	+ 3.6 percent
Load Factor	69.2 percent	71.5 percent	- 2.3 points

YEAR-TO-DATE	1990	1989	Change
RPMs (000)	26,673,728	26,580,295	+ 0.4 percent
ASMs (000)	43,163,649	42,971,931	+ 0.4 percent
Load Factor	61.8 percent	61.9 percent	- 0.1 points

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. announced Tuesday at NetWorld that it will include Windows Workstation Release 3 from Automated Design Systems Inc. with Microsoft LAN Manager version 2.0, to further enhance the tight integration between Microsoft's network operating system and the popular Windows 3.0 graphical environment.

The recently released update of Windows Workstation consists of a set of graphical utilities that improve users' ability to access network resources. It also allows network administrators to efficiently implement Windows as a consistent, easy-to-use working environment for every user on a LAN Manager-based network, regardless of the size of the LAN. Windows Workstation and Microsoft LAN Manager also offer network administrators centralized control over menus, printers, initialization files and Windows applications.

A five-user version of Windows Workstation is included at no charge with every LAN Manager package under the special promotion. Windows Workstation Enhances LAN Manager Integration With Windows

In addition to supporting Windows workstations as clients in all three Windows modes (real, standard, and enhanced), LAN Manager also includes full support of the Applications Programming Interface (API) for Windows. This means independent software developers can write Windows applications

that are ready to run on LAN Manager and corporate developers can build client-server applications under Windows. Further, the integration of LAN Manager into the Windows shell insulates the user from the network operating system's native commands. Windows users automatically get network-related menus for access to various servers and printers; tasks such as selecting a network printer or a file on the network are reduced to a mouse click.

Windows Workstation tightens the integration of LAN Manager with Windows through the addition of several network-specific utilities. These utilities allow users to more easily access network printers, and use customized network menus; extend network security to protect unattended workstations; and provide more flexibility in sending network messages.

Manage From a Central Location

Windows Workstation enables the administrator to manage these resources from a central location. Using Windows Workstation's menuing facility and script language, the administrator can automatically update or modify each user's initialization file from a central location, for example to upgrade the user environment on a network-wide basis; and to automate basic tasks such as changing access to servers, changing working directories, or running applications. Administrators can also add or subtract individuals from group names, move printer locations, or do similar housekeeping chores, in a way that is transparent to users.

Windows Workstation complements the underlying network administration facilities in LAN Manager to considerably ease the management problems encountered in large network environments, and to leverage Windows' ability to build larger LANs by making them more supportable.

''Windows Workstation follows the LAN Manager philosophy of providing complete functionality in all packages regardless of the size of the user's network,'' said Stan Levine, Automated Design Systems' vice president of engineering.

''Windows Workstation and the LAN Manager administration facilities automate and simplify so much of the daily management duties that companies can now afford to expand their networks as fast as they need to, without having to wait until they can also expand the support staff. And they can scale their software purchases to meet their needs.''

''Two converging trends in our industry are the growth of networks and the growth of Windows,'' said Mike Murray, general manager of the network business unit at Microsoft. ''We are committed to integrating LAN Manager and Windows for the benefit of users. We are delighted to offer our LAN Manager customers a chance to use this award-winning Windows product.'' Windows Workstation was named product of the year in 1990 by LAN Magazine.

Demonstrations of Windows Workstation and Microsoft LAN Manager will be running during NetWorld 1990 at Microsoft's booth (No. 1610), Automated Design System's booth (No. 2653), and Compaq Computer Corp.'s booth (No. 1714).

LAN Manager is Microsoft's industry-standard local area network that provides the foundation for information- and resource-sharing among personal computer users. Windows Workstation Release 3 supports Microsoft Windows environment version 3.0 on LAN Manager and other network operating systems.

A five-user version of Windows Workstation is included with every LAN Manager package. Additional 10-user licenses for Windows Workstation are available for $695 each from Automated Design Systems. Site licenses are also available.

Founded in 1985, the privately held Automated Design Systems Inc. is the leading independent software supplier of Microsoft Windows applications for local area networks.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ: MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems network products, languages, and application programs, as well as books, CD ROM products, and hardware for the microcomputer marketplace.

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- Windows Workstation is a trademark of Automated Design Systems Inc.

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NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FL (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The Securities and Exchange Commission has notified Sun Tech that they have no further comments to the Form 10 registration statement and that said registration statement is deemed effective for all purposes.

In addition, an application has been filed with NASDAQ for listing of the common stock of Sun Tech Enterprises on the NASDAQ system.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - One year after introduction of its Precision 5000 WCVD system for blanket tungsten deposition, Applied Materials Inc. announced that it had met or exceeded all of its aggressive goals for penetrating the tungsten market.

''At the time of introduction we said that we expected to exceed $25 million in system revenue by the end of fiscal 1990. We will not only meet that goal, we have placed systems with 17 of the top 25 semiconductor manufacturers worldwide,'' said Dr. Sass Somekh, vice president of the Applied Conductor Technologies organization.

''Customers are now placing orders for multiple systems, many of which are for full production applications.''

To enhance the system's capabilities, Applied Materials announced in June the availability of an integrated deposition/etchback process, the industy's first fully integrated blanket tungsten process for plug-filling applications.

Since its announcement, the integrated system, which uses an etchback chamber in conjunction with one or more deposition chambers, has been ordered by a number of customers seeking tungsten plug-filling capability.

The single-wafer, multi-chamber system is available with up to four chambers, and systems have been shipped with 4-inch, 5-inch, 6-inch and 8-inch (200mm) wafer sizes.

''The modularity of the Precision 5000 WCVD's multi-chamber design is an obvious benefit to our customers because they can easily tailor the system's processes and capacities to their specific needs,'' Somekh said.

In its first year, the Precision 5000 WCVD has received extraordinary acceptance in the market. After the typical several-month-long evaluation phase, in which customers took delivery of ordered systems and conducted their qualification testing, bookings for the fiscal quarter ending July 29 increased more than 300 percent over the previous quarter, with repeat and multiple-unit orders fueling the growth.

Applied Materials Inc. is a global growth company based in Santa Clara,

and is the leading independent supplier of wafer fabrications systems to the worldwide semiconductor industry. It is a market leader in chemical vapor deposition, dry plasma etching and silicon deposition.

The company is also a leading manufacturer of ion implantation and physical vapor deposition systems.

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VANCOUVER, WA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Innovative Medical Technology has acquired Mono-Lite Corp. and is changing the name to Monolite Industries, reflecting the infusion of new technology and corporate management.

As of Aug. 28, 1990, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the National Quotation Bureau has changed the name from Innovative Medical Technology to Monolite Industries. The new CUSIP number is 609 791 108.

This was a direct one-for-one stock transfer: each share of IMED stock currently held is equivalent to one share of Monolite Industries' stock. The issuance of the new certificates will be at the transfer of ownership, or unless otherwise notified by the Transfer Agent.

Monolite Industries has selected First Interstate Bank to be its new Transfer Agent. Monolite, with its corporate counsel and First Interstate may elect to issue all new certificates.

The board of directors will consist of Ronald Huegli, president; Brian Burgoyne, vice president; and Susan Frost, secretary-treasurer. The leadership changes are due to the infusion of new technology and a mineral deposit by Huegli, yielding an asset base of $3 per share. This change of technological direction requires experienced people appropriate to meet these fresh challenges.

Monolite Industries brings aerospace technology with a widespread application. This technology involves a patented, proprietary monolithic composite panel with extraordinary benefits far surpassing any known products used today. Some of the unique properties and benefits are: longer product life, greater strength, lightweight, high insulation rating fireproof, and waterproof.

The technology has been evaluated by Battelle Northwest and several other leading and respected engineering firms noted for their expertise in the

composite industry. Their findings support the company's claims.

Monolite Industries will receive its new mass-production machinery at the end of the first year of limited production. A subsidiary of Alcoa, the leader in composite equipment for the aerospace industries, will jointly design and fabricate the machinery with Monolite Industries. Additional equipment and personnel will be implemented to minimize the company's sales backlog.

A number of executives from Fortune 500 companies, financial analysts and engineers predict that within a three-year period Monolite Industries will be the leader of composite manufacturing.

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RIVERSIDE, CA. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The directors of Fleetwood Enterprises Inc. (NYSE/PSE:FLE) have declared the company's regular quarterly cash dividend of 21 cents per share of common stock payable Nov. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 5.

Fleetwood is the nation's leading producer of recreational vehicles and manufactured housing. The company operates 20 recreational-vehicle and 26 manufactured-housing plants in 16 states and Canada.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Cipher Data Products Inc. has announced a contract renewal agreement with Arrow Electronics Inc., with headquarters in Melville, N.Y., appointing Arrow as a major Cipher distributor in North America.

Arrow operates 51 selling locations in the United States and Canada dedicated exclusively to the distribution of semiconductors and computer products.

''Cipher wanted one primary national distributor to complement the nine Cipher regional distributors throughout North America,'' said Wes Bankston

Cipher's vice president of North American sales. ''This strategy will allow Cipher to focus on fewer distributors, yet provide effective sales coverage and service to our end users.

''In addition to Cipher's half-inch tape drive lines, Arrow's complementary product lines include quarter-inch drives from Archive.''

Arrow's senior vice president of sales, Bill Smith, said that ''the agreement was an extension of Arrow's previous agreement with Cipher and existing relationship with Cipher's parent company, Archive Corp. Arrow now distributes products for several Archive companies including Archive Technology in Costa Mesa, Cipher Data Products Inc. in San Diego and Maynard in Casselberry, Fla.

Cipher Data Products Inc. is a leading supplier of removable information storage solutions. Founded in 1968, the company designs and manufacutures a broad range of half-inch magnetic tape and cartridge drive systems providing interchange, data backup and permanent storage solutions for a variety of computers.

Cipher is located in San Diego and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Costa Mesa-based Archive Corp.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Furnishings 2000 Inc., a home furnishings retailer with 37 California locations, announced that as a result of its continuing losses, its liquidity has become severely impaired and the company intends, in the near future, to seek protection under the Federal Bankruptcy Code.

The company incurred a net loss of $3.8 million on sales of $23.3 million for the quarter ended July 28 compared with a net loss of $2.8 million on sales of $21.7 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

The net loss for the quarter ended July 28, 1990, was due principally to sales volume below the company's break-even point and a decrease in gross profit as a percentage of sales to 41.6 percent from 45.1 percent due to lowering of prices and general adverse market conditions.

A summary of the company's operating results for the three- and six-month periods ended July 28, 1990, and June 30, 1989, follows: -0-

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BERKELEY, CA. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Andros Analyzers Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ANDY) Tuesday reported record sales of $26,445,200 and record net income of $1,892,500 (55 cents a share) for its fiscal year ended July 29.

Sales were 43 percent higher than last year when sales were $18,549,800 and net income was $390,000 (12 cents a share).

Total medical sales reached a record level of $11,777,200, and represented 45 percent of total sales. Angiotec's fiscal 1990 sales were a record $4,475,100, a 43 percent increase over last year. Medical gas analyzer sales were a record $7,302,100, a 9 percent increase. Total automotive sales were a record $14,668,000, up 68 percent over last year.

Fourth quarter fiscal 1990 sales were a record $8,438,700, up by 77 percent over last year's fourth quarter. Net income was $517,900 (15 cents a share) in fourth quarter fiscal 1990 compared to a loss of $204,400 (6 cents a share) in last year's fourth quarter.

George A. Schapiro, president and chief executive officer, said, ''Fiscal 1990 was a good year for Andros. We saw the resurgence of our automotive market as demand for more sophisticated vehicle test equipment increased in response to intensified Clean Air Act requirements. And we saw satisfying growth in sales and profits in our medical markets as the products which we introduced over the past two years became key components for our customers and for Andros.''

Andros Analyzers designs, manufactures and sells instrumentation to manufacturers of medical systems and automotive test equipment on a world-wide OEM basis.

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DENVER (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Associated Natural Gas Corp. (NYSE:NGA) Tuesday declared a regular quarterly dividend on its common stock.

A cash dividend of 3 cents per share is payable Oct. 31, 1990 to all shareholders of record on Sept. 30, 1990.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Texas Instruments Inc. (NYSE:TXN) made the following statement in response to newswire reports on TI's patent license negotiations with Japanese semiconductor manufacturers:

''As noted in our second-quarter 1990 report to stockholders, discussions are under way with a number of Japanese and Korean manufacturers regarding renewal of semiconductor patent license agreements, most of which expire at the end of 1990.

''It is TI's policy not to comment on ongoing patent license negotiations. These negotiations, by their nature, are not predictable as to outcome or timing. We continue to believe that TI has the opportunity to earn a significant ongoing stream of royalty revenue.''

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Alaska Airlines has received U.S. Department of Transportation approval to inaugurate four new routes to Mexico, the carrier announced Tuesday.

Service on two of the routes -- Los Angeles-Mazatlan-Puerto Vallarta and Los Angeles-Guadalajara -- will begin Oct. 1.

Alaska will offer one daily round trip flight on each route, with nonstop and one-stop segments on the Mazatlan and Puerto Vallarta route alternating between the Mexican cities.

The carrier's two-for-one fare promotion underway on existing Mexico routes will apply to the new routes. Under the promotion, travel must originate by Oct. 31 and be completed by Nov. 7. A one-day advance purchase is required and tickets are non-refundable.

Alaska's other new routes -- San Francisco-Los Cabos and San Diego-Los Cabos -- will be inauguarted Nov. 15. One daily nonstop round trip is planned on each of the routes.

Boeing 727-200 aircraft will be used on all four routes, the airline said.

Alaska also announced today that it has applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation for authority to begin daily nonstop round trip service between Mexico City and Los Angeles.

Seattle-based Alaska Airlines serves 36 cities in Alaska, Mexico and five Western states. Service to Mexico was launched in 1988.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - El Chico Corp. (NASDAQ:ELCH) Tuesday announced financial results for the quarter ended Aug. 20, 1990.

The net income for the quarter increased 15 percent to $353,000, or 8 cents per share, up from $307,000, or 7 cents per share, for the same 12-week period a year ago. Increased restaurant sales, fewer asset write downs, lower interest expense and decreased income-tax expense accounts for the increase in profits. Operating margins declined due to increased restaurant-labor costs.

System-wide sales, including sales from franchised restaurants, were $29,002,000, down 1 percent from $29,309,000 recorded in the prior year. Net sales from company operations were $20,785,000, a decrease of 1.7 percent from the $21,135,000 recorded a year ago.

Both declines were due to a decrease in sales at Pronto Design, a subsidiary specializing in kitchen design and equipment sales, from $1,711,000 to $690,000. Comparable store sales increased 3.1 percent for company-owned restaurants and 6.4 percent for franchised restaurants.

The 50-year-old Dallas-based company owns and franchises a group of 90 full-service ''Tex-Mex'' style Mexican and concept restaurants in 12 states throughout the southern and southwestern regions of the United States.

EL CHICO CORP.
Financial Highlights

	Twelve Weeks Ended Aug. 20, 1990	Twelve Weeks Ended Aug. 21, 1989
System-wide sales	$29,002,000	$29,309,000
Net sales -- company operations	$20,785,000	$21,135,000
Income before income taxes	$ 517,000	$ 511,000
Net income	$ 353,000	$ 307,000

Per-share income	8 cents	7 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,548,545	4,649,981

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Skyline Gold Corp. Tuesday announced a progress report on exploration work under way on the Bronson Creek and Bonanza prospects of its joint venture property with Placer Dome Inc. in the Iskut River region of northwestern British Columbia.

Exploration work in the current season has to date focused on completing surface geological work and evaluating data developed to date prior to developing a comprehensive drilling program to assess the mineralized potential of the prospects.

One deep hole (Hole 975) was drilled to test a strong geophysical conductor on the Bonanza structure. The conductor was interpreted to lie 240 metres down dip from the surface expression of the zone and 120 metres down dip from a 1984 drill hole intercept of the zone.

Gross Contained Metal Value

The Bonanza Zone is felt to be the strike extension of the Twin Zone located on the SNIP joint venture property currently under development for production by Cominco Ltd. Hole 975 is approximately 3 km from the Twin Zone on the SNIP joint venture property.

The Bonanza and Twin Zones are identical in strike and dip, and are hosted by foliated shear zones in dark fine grained volcanic sedimentary rocks. The Bonanza Zone has been traced by geochemistry and trenching 1 km to the northwest and 1 km to the southeast of Hole 975. Mapping and geophysics is in progress to trace the zone a further 1 km to the northwest to the boundary of the SNIP joint venture.

Mineralization encountered in Hole 975 was generally consisted with geological interpretations for the area and confirmed the existence of a 10 metre wide zone which presents the opportunity for significant tonnage. This zone was intersected 320 metres down the drill hole.

Down hole geophysics are being completed on Hole 975 together with additional mapping and surface geophysics in the area before additional drilling is undertaken to assess the full potential of the structure. Step out drilling along the structure will be under taken to identify

areas of higher gold mineralization and increased polymetallic base metal values.

The Vancouver Stock Exchange has not reviewed and does not accept responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of this release.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Oryx Energy Co. (NYSE:ORX) announced Tuesday a transaction with the Glenmede Trust Co. involving 25.3 million shares of common stock.

Oryx Energy purchased 18 million shares at $53-3/4 per share for a total consideration of $968 million, and exchanged 7.3 million shares of convertible preferred stock for a like amount of common. All of the stock acquired from Glenmede was owned by charitable trusts for which Glenmede is a trustee.

The preferred stock is non-voting and convertible into common under certain conditions. Glenmede plans to sell all of the underlying 7.3 million shares of common stock in a broadly based public offering as soon as it is practical.

''We entered into the transaction as a result of the difference between Glenmede's investment objectives, including its desire for higher current yields, and our plan to reinvest cash flow for growth,'' said Robert P. Hauptfuhrer, chairman and chief executive officer of Oryx Energy.

''It became apparent that Glenmede's long-term objectives were incompatible with Oryx Energy's strategic plans. This transaction allows us to devote our full energies and attention to continued enhancement of shareholder value.

''From our standpoint, we believe that the purchase, at $53-3/4 per share, is an excellent investment for such a large block, and we have structured the transaction in such a way so as to preserve our financial strength and to continue with our value-creating business strategies,'' said Hauptfuhrer.

Oryx Energy will initially finance the purchase with new debt, but intends to reduce debt to about current levels by Sept. 30, 1991. While the transaction will temporarily increase the company's debt and interest expense, Oryx is moving quickly to accelerate its ongoing program to divest assets.

Oryx Energy expects to apply some $750 million net proceeds against the debt over the next 12 months. The company also cited increased cash flow resulting from higher oil prices as another source to be used to pay down debt.

''Assuming a reference price of $21 per barrel, set at the July OPEC meeting, we are confident that we can accomplish our financial objectives '' said Hauptfuhrer. ''In this scenario, which translates into an approximate $23 per barrel West Texas Intermediate (WTI) spot price, Oryx would expect to be able to generate approximately $9.70 per share in discretionary cash flow in 1991.

''If you assume a WTI spot price of $27 per barrel, we would expect to be able to generate approximately $11.20 per share in discretionary cash flow next year.''

Oryx said it expects to be able to reduce its debt to about $1.5 billion while maintaining its annual capital spending program in the half-billion range over the next couple of years.

''This will enable us to continue to apply advanced technologies, such as our horizontal drilling program, to find and develop new reserves, to build our domestic offshore position in natural gas and to expand on our internationl base. Operationally, the company has performed well with this level of investment, and it can continue to demonstrate strong business results in this range,'' said Hauptfuhrer.

The company also announced the arrangement of a $1.8 billion credit agreement to replace its previous $1.4 billion credit facility. The purpose of the bank facility is to provide a source of funds for the stock purchase, refinancing for the company's currently outstanding commercial paper and for working capital requirements.

The Glenmede Trust Co. acts as fiduciary for charitable trusts established by the Pew family, founders of Sun Company Inc., the former parent of Oryx Energy. ''The trusts have had a long and successful relationship with this company and we are confident that Oryx has a very bright future,'' said Thomas Langfitt, president and chief executive officer of The Glenmede Trust Co.

Dallas-based Oryx Energy Co. is the largest independent oil and gas company in the world, with assets in excess of $5 billion and proved reserves of more than one billion equivalent barrels.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Packaging Corporation of America (PCA), a subsidiary of Tenneco Inc., Tuesday announced it, together with GE Capital and other major investors, is negotiating with Georgia-Pacific Corp. to acquire from Georgia-Pacific two containerboard mills, 19 box converting plants and approximately 540,000 acres of timberland in Wisconsin, Michigan, Georgia and Florida.

The price of the transaction is expected to be approximately $740 million.

The transaction is subject to definitive documentation and the approval of the boards of directors of Georgia-Pacific and Tenneco.

GE Capital would purchase the paper mills in Valdosta, Ga., and Tomahawk, Wis., and lease them to PCA. J.P. Morgan is financial advisor to Tenneco for this transaction. John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. and Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. have agreed in principle with Tenneco to acquire the timberland and lease it to PCA.

PCA, a Tenneco company based in Evanston, Ill., is a leading manufacturer of containerboard products, recycled paperboard, molded fiber, aluminum foil and plastic packaging. The company also operates more than 60 facilities worldwide including seven wholly owned or joint venture international businesses. Sales in 1989 were $1.3 billion. Operating income in 1989 was $200 million.

Tenneco Inc. (NYSE Symbol: TGT) is a Houston-based diversified industrial corporation with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, automotive parts, shipbuilding, packaging, chemicals and minerals. Sales in 1989 were $14 billion. Net income was $584 million.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Oryx Energy Co. (NYSE: ORX) announced Tuesday that its board of directors adopted a stock purchase rights plan.

The board declared a dividend distribution of one stock purchase right on each outstanding share of the common stock of Oryx, payable Sept. 28, 1990 to holders of record of the common stock of Oryx on that date. A summary of the rights plan will be sent to all stockholders of record on that date.

The rights plan is primarily designed to assure that all Oryx stockholders receive fair and equal treatment in the event of any attempt to acquire the company. Rights plans have been adopted by more than 1,200 U.S. corporations.

The rights plan is not being adopted in response to any specific threat to acquire control of the company, nor is the company aware of any effort to acquire control of the company. ''The purpose of the plan is to help to deter any attempt to acquire the company in a manner or on terms which are not in the best interests of all the stockholders,'' said Robert P. Hauptfuhrer, chairman and chief executive officer of Oryx Energy.

Initially, the rights will be represented by the certificates of Oryx common stock and will trade with the common stock. The rights will not be exercisable unless certain future events occur. The rights will expire Sept. 9, 2000, unless they are earlier redeemed by the company.

The company said each right will entitle stockholders to buy one one-thousandth of a share of the company's newly created Series A preference stock at an exercise price of $150. The rights will be exercisable (A) if a person or group, with certain exceptions, acquires 20 percent or more of Oryx, (B) if a person or group is determined by the board to have intentions toward the company that are not in the long term best interests of the company or the company's stockholders and that person or group has or acquires beneficial ownership of a percentage of the company's common stock in excess of an ownership limitation designated by the board (which limitation may not be below 10 percent) for such person or group, or (C) 10 business days after a person or group announces a tender offer that would result in ownership of a 20 percent or more stake, Oryx said.

The company said if Oryx is acquired or if a person or group (with certain exceptions) acquires 20 percent or more of the common stock of Oryx, each right will entitle its holder to purchase, at the then-current exercise price, a number of the acquiring company's common stock, or of the common stock of Oryx, as the case may be, that would have a market value of twice the exercise price or, if a person or group is determined by the board to have intentions toward the company that are not in the long term best interests of the company or the company's stockholders and that person or group has or acquires beneficial ownership of a percentage of the common stock of Oryx in excess of the ownership limitation applicable to such person or group, each right will entitle its holder to purchase, at the then-current exercise price, a number of shares of the common stock of Oryx that would have a market value equal to two times the exercise price multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is 20 percent and the denominator of which is the lesser of the applicable ownership limitation and 20 percent.

Oryx said it can redeem the rights, at the discretion of the board, at any time before (A) a 20 percent position has been acquired, with certain exceptions, or (B) an applicable ownership limitation has been exceeded by a person who has been determined to have intentions toward the company that are not in the best long term interests of the company or the company's stockholders.

Dallas-based Oryx Energy Co. is the largest independent oil and gas company in the world, with assets in excess of $5 billion and proved reserves of more than 1 billion equivalent barrels. Oryx Energy trades on the New York Stock Exchange with the symbol ''ORX.''

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PORTLAND, OR (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Portland General Corp. (NYSE:PGN) have approved payment of a regular quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share on the company's common stock.

The dividend is payable on Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Sept. 25, 1990.

At the same time, directors approved the regular quarterly dividends on Portland General Electric Co.'s (PGE) six series of preferred stocks. PGE is Portland General's principal subsidiary.

PGE's preferred dividends include 65 cents on the $2.60 series $25 par value preferred issue. Preferred dividends are also payable Oct. 15, 1990 to holders of record as of Sept. 25, 1990.

Portland General is an energy company with businesses offering a range of regulated and commercial energy products and services. PGE serves more than 575,000 retail electricity customers in northwest Oregon, as well as wholesale electricity customers through its ownership of the largest non-government share of the Pacific Intertie transmission line to California.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Micro Devices Tuesday said it will appeal a verdict in the U.S. District Court in San Diego finding that AMD had infringed patents and maskwork rights held by Brooktree Corp.

The case involves microchips known as color palettes which are used to control the display of colors on computer monitor screens.

''This was a very complex case for a jury to decide, and we are shocked and disappointed at the verdict,'' said Richard Previte, president and chief operating officer of AMD.

''AMD absolutely does not condone violations of intellectual property rights. We did not copy Brooktree's designs, and any infringement of their recently issued patents, if infringements occurred, were inadvertent. AMD invented the color palette, and the devices at issue in this case were introduced prior to the issuance of the Brooktree patents '' said Previte.

This case involved recently issued patents on certain integrated circuit features, technical chip design questions and whether patent infringement and maskwork copying occurred. The case was the first-ever jury trial of an alleged violation of the Semiconductor Chip Protection Act.

''Immediately upon entry of the judgment, AMD will file an appeal to the Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit, which was specifically established to hear cases involving intellectual property issues,'' said Thomas Armstrong, AMD vice president and general counsel. ''We believe that the verdict is not supported by the facts of the case.''

Armstrong noted that AMD has a patent infringement case of its own pending against Brooktree in the same jurisdiction. ''The AMD patent is broader than the Brooktree patents,'' said Armstrong.

''The follow-on case will offer another opportunity to demonstrate that AMD's color palette designs are our own and were not copied from Brooktree's devices. In the meantime, we will seek review of this decision through the appellate process,'' Armstrong concluded.

''AMD is now working on advanced color palette designs that will employ different technology,'' said Anthony B. Holbrook, AMD vice chairman and chief technical officer. ''These new devices will avoid patent or maskwork infringement problems. ''Meanwhile, the loose interpretation given the Semiconductor Chip Protection Act by this court decision is contrary to the intent of the act itself,'' Holbrook continued.

''The act was intended to prevent copying while allowing development of competitive engineering solutions that has been the hallmark of this

industry for three decades. The resultant competition has created enormous benefits for the ultimate consumers of products that depend upon semiconductor technology,'' said Holbrook.

Holbrook noted that color palette sales contributed less than one percent of AMD's $1.1 billion in revenues in 1989.

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CARSON, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Nissan Motor Corp. in U.S.A. announced Tuesday the appointment of Sheleme M. Sendaba to the position of vice president, finance and information systems.

Sendaba, 40, was previously comptroller, Truck & Bus Group Janesville, General Motors Corp., and possesses over 11 years of experience in the automotive industry.

He began his career in 1979 in the masters of business administration financial training program at Buick and proceeded to hold various assignments in finance, MIS, marketing, engineering, manufacturing and assembly and strategic business planning.

In 1983, Sendaba became director of general accounting and special studies at the Buick Motor Division in Flint, Mich., and in 1984 was appointed to the same position for the Buick-Oldsmobile-Cadillac Flint Product Team. In 1986, he was named comptroller of B-O-C Chicago, General Motors.

Sendaba holds a bachelor's degree in finance and accounting from the University of Illinois and a masters in business administration degree in international business finance from the Walter Heller Graduate School of Business, Chicago. He is a member of the MBA Association, American Management Association and AICPA, and currently resides in Irvine, Calif., with his wife and three children.

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WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameritech (NYSE:AIT) and Bell Atlantic (NYSE:BEL) and two New Zealand firms Tuesday officially

assumed ownership of the Telecom Corporation of New Zealand Ltd., that country's principal supplier of domestic and international telecommunications services, including cellular mobile and directory services.

Today's transfer of ownership of Telecom by the New Zealand government completes a process that began June 14 when the government selected the consortium of four firms -- Ameritech, Bell Atlantic, Fay Richwhite Holdings Ltd. and Freightways Holdings Ltd. -- and their NZ $4.25 billion bid for Telecom.

''We are delighted to be a part of the teaming of New Zealand Telecom with two top U.S. communications companies,'' said Thomas C. Burns, chairman and managing director of the Ameritech and Bell Atlantic investment companies in New Zealand: Ameritech New Zealand Ltd. and Bell Atlantic New Zealand Ltd.

''This combination of talents and resources will yield significant technological, economic and strategic benefits for Telecom's customers and for New Zealand,'' Burns said.

To maximize New Zealand investor participation in the company and comply with a government condition for the sale, the U.S. firms will reduce their Telecom holdings to 49.9 percent by offering up to 40.1 percent of Telecom shares in public offerings on the New Zealand Stock Exchange and in international equity markets, including the United States, over the next three years.

The New Zealand consortium members will own a total of 10 percent.

Formerly part of the New Zealand Post Office, Telecom was incorporated as a state-owned company in February 1988. It was sold to the New Zealand-U.S. consortium as part of the New Zealand government's ongoing privatization of state-owned enterprises.

Ameritech is the Chicago-based parent of Bell companies serving more than 16 million access lines in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin. Other Ameritech companies provide cellular communications, directory publishing, lease financing, voice messaging and audiotex services.

Bell Atlantic Corp. is the Philadelphia-based parent of telephone companies serving more than 17 million access lines in the mid-Atlantic region of the United States. The corporation also is the parent company of businesses that provide cellular communications, computer maintenance and financial and leasing services in the United States and international markets.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Kodiak Technology, a leading manufacturer of Ethernet-based Netware interface boards, announced it is offering a family of cards for diskless workstations.

The Raven-8 B/R is for thick (ThickNet) and thin wire (ThinNet) Ethernets, while the Raven-8 UTP and the Raven-16 UTP are for 10Base-T networks.

The new cards enable system integrators to purchase any computer and immediately connect it to an Ethernet LAN running Novell Netware. Upon powering up the disk-free workstation, the boot ROM provides automatic communication between the Raven board and the file server allowing the user to log in, collect operating software and have access to data files.

The Raven-8 B/R provides standard Ethernet physical layer interface via ThickNet or ThinNet. The Raven-8 UTP B/R and Raven-16 UTP B/R provide physical layer interface that complies with the most recent draft of the 10Base-T standard.

Raven interface boards reduce total system cost, by allowing network managers to use diskless workstations. Even when configured with powerful CPUs, diskless workstations substantially reduce total system cost. Kodiak's boot ROM option is one half the cost of adding a floppy drive to a node. The boards are certified compatible with Emerald Computers and Wyse Technology diskless workstations.

In addition to the low cost, there is greater system security on a disk free node because access to all software and data files must be made via the network and data are not removeable from the system. Also, data and files are centrally stored and backed up to aid in disaster recovery.

As a complement to the cost and security benefits, the Raven interface cards are supported by Kodiak's commitment to service. All Raven products have a five-year warranty and are covered by a Federal Express next day replacement policy. In addition, Kodiak supplies a technical hotline and dedicated technical service support.

Kodiak Technology, a subsidiary of SEEQ Technology Inc., is a supplier of high performance network solutions, including interface cards (adapter boards) and file servers. Kodiak is located in San Jose.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Computer Systems Inc. (OTC:ASKI) and Ingres Corp. (OTC:RELY) of Alameda, Calif., Tuesday announced the signing of a definitive agreement for Ingres to be acquired by ASK for $9.25 per share in cash, or approximately $110 million.

Simultaneously, ASK announced that EDS Corp. and Hewlett-Packard Company have signed a definitive agreement whereby EDS and HP will acquire ASK common stock for an aggregate of $60 million in cash. Upon completion of the agreement, ASK will have approximately 18,840,000 shares outstanding, of which EDS will hold 19.7 percent and HP will hold 10 percent.

Ingres has a broad array of ''beginning of life-cycle'' products that have been introduced in recent months. These include an intelligent relational database which can perform distributed data management; Windows/4GL, an object-oriented graphical user interface (GUI) development tool; and multi-vendor, multi-database connectivity products.

Under the definitive agreement, EDS and HP have agreed to certain limits on the maximum percentage of outstanding ASK shares they can own. ASK will sell the shares to EDS and HP at an agreed-upon price of $10.78 per share, which represents a 15 percent premium over the average closing price of ASK shares for the 30 trading day period ended Aug. 10, 1990.

Under the agreement with Ingres, a subsidiary of ASK will shortly commence a tender offer for all of the outstanding common stock of Ingres at a cash price of $9.25 per share. The tender offer will be conditioned upon, among other things including the receipt of regulatory approvals, a majority of the Ingres shares being validly tendered and not withdrawn.

The tender offer is to be followed by a merger in which any remaining shares of Ingres common stock will be converted into the right to receive $9.25 per share in cash.

The tender offer is also subject to concluding the financing, through the anticipated sale of ASK common stock to EDS and HP and through bank

funding. ASK stated that its subsidiary has received a commitment from the Chase Manhattan Bank for the financing necessary to consummate the tender offer and the merger.

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WALNUT CREEK, CA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - A lawsuit filed Tuesday in Santa Clara County Superior Court challenges the way Ford forces auto insurance onto a customer and then charges a ''service fee'' in excess of $1,200 for ''arranging'' the deal.

If the court finds that this fee constitutes price gouging, the suit could result in the return of this service fee to all Ford Motor Credit customers for the last three years.

The suit seeks to have all the service charges for ''arranging insurance'' and all other unconscionable charges refunded to all Ford Motor Credit Co.'s customers. In addition, it seeks to restrain Ford from ever conducting this business practice in the future.

The suit arises from the recent experiences of Miguel Valdes, a Contra Costa County man, who, though already fully insured, was, four months after the purchase of a new $8,000 truck, billed a total of $3,364 for an annual comprehensive and theft insurance from an insurance carrier chosen by Ford and an additional $1,200 service charge for arranging the deal.

After challenging the fairness of these charges, Valdes' new Ford Ranger was repossessed, even though Valdes was not in arrears on his loan payments and the truck was fully insured. In addition, Valdes also complains that Ford consistently charged him fees of 24 percent to 84 percent per annum on payments Ford says were late, even though his payments were timely.

Named in the suit are Fremont Ford Sales Inc., of Newark, Calif., where the truck was purchased and Ford Motor Credit Co., a Michigan-based

corporation with offices in San Jose, Calif.

Before filing suit, Valdes made several attempts to meet with Ford in order to discuss his complaints, but Ford refused to speak with him. Lawyer's letters addressed to Ford Motor Credit Co. and Fremont Ford Sales Inc., giving them 30 days to stop these practices and requesting a meeting have also met with no response.

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DEERFIELD BEACH, FLA. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Sensormatic Electronics Corporation (SNSR/NASDAQ) today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of $0.075 per common share.

The dividend is payable October 16, 1990 to shareholders of record on September 25, 1990.

Sensormatic Electronics Corporation is the world leader in loss prevention technology. Sensormatic's electronic article surveillance (EAS) systems are used primarily by retailers to deter shoplifting.

Sensormatic also manufactures and markets closed circuit television systems for retail, commercial and industrial applications, and its POSdata subsidiary is the fastest growing distributor of point of sale bar code scanners in the United States. All of the company's divisions are linked to the largest worldwide sales and service organization in the EAS industry.

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WATSONVILLE, CALIF. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Granite Construction Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:GCCO) announced Tuesday its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per share on the company's common stock.

The dividend is payable Oct. 20, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 28, 1990.

Granite is the fourth largest heavy construction contractor in the United States, focusing on dams, highways, airports and other infrastructure projects in California and across the country.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Storage Dimensions, a leading suppler of hard disk and optical storage systems for DOS, Novell Netware, Macintosh and PC Unix/Xenix desktop computer environments, Tuesday announced it will offer a full two-year, ''system-level'' warranty on all internal and external hard disk subsystems.

The new warranty covers all parts and labor necessary to correct any subsystem malfunction, regardless of the point of origination, within two years of the date of purchase.

Because Storage Dimensions manufactures and warrants its products as complete systems, individual components which may carry a lesser manufacturer's warranty (such as the controller, host bus adapter, or the disk drive) are automatically covered under the company's warranty for a full two years.

In addition, Storage Dimensions maintains single-source accountability for all parts of the subsystem. This approach saves customers the problems associated with determining which component vendor is accountable for the failure and, subsequently, the repair.

''Storage Dimensions has always taken a systems approach to product design and manufacturing,'' said Gene Bowles, vice president of Marketing and Business Planning.

''Our support policies are another way our customers benefit from purchasing a complete storage subsystem, as opposed to a number of individual components which must be integrated together.

The new warranty is the latest addition to the company's comprehensive service and support program which includes a pre-replacement policy on any storage system failure within 60 days of the date of purchase.

Founded in 1985, Storage Dimensions is a leading supplier of hard disk and optical storage subsystems over 100 megabytes (MB) for personal/desktop computers and microcomputer-based networks. The company also produces a family of high-performance fileservers.

Storage Dimensions is a wholly owned subsidiary of Maxtor Corp. Maxtor (NASDAQ:MXTR), founded in 1982, is a leading supplier of a high-capacity storage products.

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ROY, UT (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Iomega Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:IOMG) and Dell Computer Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DELL), of Austin, Texas, have entered into an OEM agreement under which Bernoulli 44-megabyte internal and external removable mass storage drives will be incorporated into Dell Computer's products for sale through its custom manufacturing and direct-to-the-customer marketing system.

The OEM agreement includes Iomega's Bernoulli ''Insider'' and external single-drive 44-megabyte subsystems, which are part of the new Bernoulli Universal family of products. Each incorporates the Small Computer Systems Interface standard and works with the entire range of PC and networking environments supported by Iomega.

Dell Computer Corp. designs, develops, manufactures, markets, services and supports a complete line of personal computers compatible with industry standards. The company is recognized in independent surveys as having the highest level of customer satisfaction in the industry for its line of personal computers. Dell pioneered the direct marketing of personal computers in 1984.

Iomega Corp., Roy, develops, manufactures and sells high-performance removable mass storage products for desktop computers. Iomega's patented Bernoulli Technology provides unlimited data storage capability by combining the removability of floppy drives with the high capacity and performance of rigid drives.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - As part of an ongoing effort to stimulate sales through distribution channels, Ungermann-Bass Tuesday introduced a standards-based network driver which greatly expands the number of application environments in which Ungermann-Bass products can be integrated.

The Net/One NDIS driver, which was unveiled at the NetWorld Tradeshow in Dallas, provides network support for emerging NDIS-compatible applications such as: IBM OS/2 Extended Edition; DEC PCSA; Sun NFS; and Banyan Vines; in OS/2, Windows 3.0 and DOS environments.

The Net/One NDIS driver is based on the Network Driver Interface Specification developed by Microsoft. It transmits and receives packets between NDIS-compliant protocols and Ungermann-Bass' adapters.

All NDIS options, such as interrupt support, loopback, buffering and network management, are included. Ungermann-Bass' NDIS driver is fast and small. The driver can handle up to 7,000 packets per second and requires only seven kilobytes of memory -- the most efficient NDIS driver available today.

Ungermann-Bass' Net/One NDIS driver is available immediately, for $50 per server, single quantity U.S. list.

Founded in 1979, Ungermann-Bass pioneered enterprise networking -- the sharing of data resources among dissimilar computer systems throughout an organization. Today, Ungermann-Bass is a leading international designer and supplier of standards-based networking hardware and software data communications systems.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Software Publishing Corp. Tuesday introduced InfoAlliance, a client/server software product designed to enable PC users on a network to transparently access and easily manipulate data located in disparate databases throughout the organization.

Building on client/server technology, InfoAlliance is the first product in a new PC software category called datasource integration. Key elements of

InfoAlliance include a graphical information interface, an easy-to-use application generator and report-writing capabilities as well as a full set of data security and integrity features. The product was announced at the NetWorld '90 conference in Dallas.

Software Publishing Corp., one of the original personal computer software companies, is a leading international supplier of business productivity software for the IBM Personal Computer and compatibles.

The company currently develops and markets a wide range of decision-critical software for accessing and presenting information, including the market-leading Professional and Harvard series and the recently introduced InfoAlliance products.

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - North Atlantic Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: NATL) today announced the receipt of another order for its Navy Standard Teleprinter (NST) AN/UGC- 143A (V).

The order, in excess of $6.3 million, brings the company's total backlog to over $25 million, a record high. To date, orders received for NSTs total more than $34 million.

North Atlantic received approval for full production in late 1989 and has shipped more than 750 units to the Navy. During the five year contract period, which ends June 1994, the company expects the NST program to account for over $100 million in revenues.

The NST is the most technologically advanced teleprinter on the market. The unit has been fully approved by the Navy and is designed to function in any of four configurations. These include Receive Only (RO), Receive-Only with bulk memory storage, Keyboard Send and Receive (KSR) and the sophisticated Automatic Send and Receive (ASR) version.

North Atlantic Industries designs, manufactures and markets computer, computer peripheral, communications and instrumentation products to government and aerospace industry customers. The company is a leading supplier of TEMPEST printers, MIL-SPEC teleprinters and tape storage systems, as well as phase sensitive instruments.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - RAD Network Devices Inc. (RND) announced Tuesday at NETWORLD, the TRE-8M, a token-ring extender that provides a low-cost alternative for connecting up to eight workstations to a remote token-ring LAN with network management support.

The connection is made using a pair of TRE-8Ms connected by a serial communication link, operating at rates up to 128 Kbps, via a point-to-point link or a public network, such as ISDN.

The TRE-8M operates similarly to a MAC level bridge, performing filtering and forwarding. It is completely transparent to all higher level protocols and operates in any token-ring environment -- Source Routing or Non-Source Routing.

In addition, the TRE-8M can be managed by the same Remote Internetwork Management (RIM) station that manages the rest of tS RND bridge/router network, including remote token-ring bridge/routers (RTBs) and local token-ring bridges (LTBs)

The TRE-8M is immediately available from RND and RND-certified distributors. Customers can select a variety of interface options including V.35, V.24, X.21, V.26, RS-530 and a special built-in short-range modem. Prices for the TRE-8M start at $2,099.

The addition of the TRE-8M gives RND the most extensive line of token-ring internetworking products in the market today. All products are fully IBM compatible and can be managed from a single Remote Internetwork Management Station.

LAN/WAN users can connect 4 Mbps token rings to a 16 Mbps backbone token ring, or several remote token rings via T1 lines, including active loop topologies for load distribution and redundancy.

RND is the technological leader in internetworking products for the local and wide area networking markets. Founded in 1987, the company introduced the industry's first combination bridge/router to provide enterprise-wide networking solutions for the global market.

RND's family of bridge/router products allow users to interconnect local and remote LANs into a single, integrated network for a wide range of applications and vertical market sectors. RND is a member of the RAD Group of Companies.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Ungermann-Bass Tuesday introduced TCP for NDIS, at the NetWorld tradeshow in Dallas.

The high-performance protocol stack, based on the Network Driver Interface Specification (NDIS) from Microsoft, provides the fastest Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) throughput for third-party adapters available in the industry.

''Ungermann-Bass' protocol stacks and applications can now be integrated into existing networks using installed 3COM, Western Digital and IBM adapter cards; and those cards can be managed through a single Ungermann-Bass network management console.

''This simplifies the process of incorporating new users into an enterprise network while preserving their adapter card investment,'' said Roger Bertman, vice president of marketing for Ungermann-Bass.

He added that the NDIS introduction comes on the heels of a push to expand the company's presence through alternate channels and he expects that the NDIS products will enable Ungermann-Bass integrators to break into previously untapped markets.

TCP for NDIS offers throughput of over 650 kilobytes/sec, but even at these high speeds, the powerhouse protocol only requires as little as 80 kilobytes of memory.

The product includes Telnet (a terminal to host protocol) and File Transfer Protocol (FTP) applications, as well as access to LAN Manager and servers.

The stack's network management agent provides configuration, performance and resource management for multiple vendors cards. TCP/IP is supported in DOS, Windows 3.0 and OS/2 operating environments.

NDIS for TCP is available immediately for $395, single quantity U.S. list.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - RAD Network Devices Inc. (RND), Tuesday announced at NETWORLD, the LTB stand alone local token-ring bridge, the first bridge to support the emerging source routing transparent (SRT) bridge standard.

The LTB filters and forwards both source and transparent non-source Routing packets at filtering rates of up to 120,000 frames per second. In addition, by supporting the Spanning Tree Algorithm for transparent bridging, the LTB can be implemented in closed loop topologies, providing built-in redundancy without packet duplication.

Another powerful LTB feature is intelligent traffic control, which allows network managers to build customized, multilayered filters based on packet information such as protocol type and network addresses. These filters provide greater control over network operations and make it possible to fine tune the interconnected LANs for IBM SNA (LU 6.2), NETBIOS, APPC, IPX TCP/IP or any mix of protocols.

The LTB can be managed both locally and remotely using RND's Rim (Remote Internetwork Management) station and the IBM LAN manager. This provides full compatibility with any IBM environment and full support of NetView.

The LTB is available from RND and certified distributors and comes in two models. Prices start at $3,995.

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RND's family of bridge/router products allow users to interconnect local and remote LANs into a single, integrated network for a wide range of applications and vertical market sectors.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Software Publishing Corp. Tuesday announced its first program for value-added resellers, the Authorized Solutions Provider Program.

The program was announced at NetWorld '90 in conjunction with the introduction of InfoAlliance, the company's new datasource integration software product. The Authorized Solutions Provider Program, one of the primary channels for distributing InfoAlliance, is targeted toward VARs with expertise in developing, servicing and supporting client/server applications.

Software Publishing is targeting VARs with the capability to develop and service customized client/server applications. The company plans to limit the number of participants in the Authorized Solutions Provider Program.

The first product in the new PC software category of datasource integration, InfoAlliance leverages OS/2 PM technology and client/server processing to enable PC users on a network to access and manipulate data from various sources throughout the organization. InfoAlliance integrates data through a graphical information interface and includes an easy-to-use application generator.

VARs participating in the Authorized Solutions Provider Program will receive a base discount off the suggested list price of InfoAlliance. Additional rebates and incentives will be available to VARs who develop and support InfoAlliance applications.

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The company currently develops and markets a wide range of decision-critical software for accessing and presenting information, including the market-leading Professional and Harvard series and the recently introduced InfoAlliance products.

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VAN NUYS, CALIF. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Martin Lawrence Limited Editions Inc. (NASDAQ:MLLE) announced Tuesday that it had filed an application with the New York Stock Exchange to list its common stock.

The company's common stock is currently traded on the NASDAQ National

Market System.

In making the announcement, Allen A. Baron, the company's chief financial officer, stated that, ''The company intends to list its common stock on the New York Stock Exchange and is excited by the prospects of being associated with what we believe to be the most prominent stock exchange in the international financial marketplace.''

Baron further stated that the company believes that listing on the New York Stock Exchange also provides the potential for increased visibility for the company.

Martin Lawrence Limited Editions is an integrated publisher, retailer and wholesaler of limited edition serigraphs, lithographs, sculptures and other works of fine art created by internationally renowned and emerging artists.

The company also purchases, for resale, original works of art, as well as limited edition works by recognized artists not published by the company.

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DENVER (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Nevada Goldfields Corp. Tuesday announced significant progress in its continued financial restructuring to eliminate the majority of its long-term debt.

When the company's debt restructuring is completed, it will have US $3.7 million in debenture debt and a US $4 million gold loan outstanding, compared with US $25.5 million in long-term and gold loan debt outstanding one year ago.

As of Aug. 31, 1990, approximately US $6.2 million of Nevada Goldfields US $9.9 million convertible debentures had been converted to common stock of the company. Additionally, the remaining debentureholders have granted the company a two-year moratorium on interest payments on the US $3.7 million of debentures outstanding.

Nevada Goldfields has reached agreement with certain European institutions and investors to facilitate two private equity placements. The initial private placement of US $700,000 has been completed. The placement involved the issuance of 1,750,000 shares of the company's common stock at a price of US $.40 per share. Nevada Goldfields will utilize $200,000 of the proceeds to acquire 1 million shares of the common stock of Antioch Resources Ltd. in the first step of the acquisition of Antioch, which has

an advanced stage gold exploration project in Nova Scotia, Canada.

Two European investment institutions have agreed to proceed with the second equity placement of US $6 million on a best efforts basis. A portion of the placement will be used to repurchase and cancel approximately US $7 million of debt pursuant to an agreement reached with the company's banks.

The remaining US $3.5 million will be primarily utilized in expanding mineable reserves in order to continue operations at the company's Kingston facility and to endeavor to expand reserves at its Aurora Mine sufficient to justify expansion of the facility. The offering memorandum is in the final stages of preparation and will require regulatory approval.

Nevada Goldfields recently completed the first phase of mining at its Manhattan Project in Nye County, Nev. The company's Kingston mill, which processes the Manhattan ore, has been placed on standby. The second phase of the Manhattan Project development will include drilling on the Jumbo deposit and layback of the Keystone pit wall to access additional ore. This work will commence upon completion of the private placements.

Nevada Goldfields Corp. is a Canadian public company with two gold mines in Nevada. Its shares trade on The Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol NGF, on NASDAQ under the symbol NGFCF, and on the Stuttgart Exchange, West Germany, under the symbol NGF SG.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Texasville Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Cine-Source Inc., has delivered the print of ''Texasville'' to Nelson Entertainment, it was announced Tuesday by Cine-Source President Robert Whitmore.

The eagerly awaited sequel to Peter Bogdanovich's 1971 film, ''The Last Picture Show,'' ''Texasville'' will be released nationally on Sept. 28 by Columbia Pictures.

Written, directed and produced by Bogdanovich, ''Texasville'' reunites ''Last Picture Show'' stars Jeff Bridges, Cybill Shepherd, Timothy Bottoms Randy Quaid and Cloris Leachman. Both films were based on novels by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Larry McMurtry.

Cine-Source is in development for three music-driven films: a remake of ''Black Orpheus;'' ''Five-O,'' starring platinum rap musician Kool Moe Dee; and ''Three-Part Harmony, starring Irene Cara. The company also has

recently retained Strategic Growth International Inc., as its financial public relations representative.

An international firm, Strategic will assist Cine-Source in creating interest in the financial community by enhancing communications with investors and shareholders. The company was founded by Wall Street veterans Stanley Altschuler and Richard Cooper.

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SANTA ANA, CA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Amplicon Inc. (NASDAQ:AMPI) Tuesday announced that revenues for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990 were up 67 percent to $46,701,000, compared with $28,015,000 for the comparable period in the prior fiscal year.

Earnings before taxes increased 65 percent to $2,803,000, compared with $1,695,000 for the comparable period in the prior fiscal year. Fourth-quarter net income was $1,728,000, or 29 cents per share, compared with $1,401,000, or 22 cents per share, for the year-earlier period.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, revenues were $158,293,000, as compared with $137,905,000 for fiscal 1989. Net earnings for fiscal 1990 were $5,644,000, or 93 cents per share, as compared with $5,209,000, or 81 cents per share, for fiscal 1989.

Commenting on fiscal-1990 results, Patrick E. Paddon, chairman of the board and president, stated: ''We are pleased with the results achieved during fiscal 1990, particularly with the momentum demonstrated by our strong fourth-quarter results. Throughout the year, our sales force progressively gained needed maturity and we are optimistic as we plan for the future.

''As a company, we continue to be judicious in our use of cash and the management of our balance sheet remains a high priority. With no recourse debt currently outstanding, Amplicon is well positioned within our industry, with the flexibility to make significant future investments in our core business.

''I am confident in the company's ability to continue to achieve high rates of growth and superior rates of return.''

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - CORTEX Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ:CORXU/CORX/CORXW) Tuesday announced the appointment of Vaughan H.J. Shalson, a 15-year healthcare industry veteran, as its new president and chief executive officer.

Shalson, 44, has been since October 1987 president and chief executive officer at Bio-Response Inc., a San Francisco Bay area biotechnology company recently acquired by Baxter Healthcare. Prior to that, he was vice president marketing for Cutter Biological, a division of Miles Pharmaceuticals.

Previously, he served at Baxter International Inc. in various management positions. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Cambridge University in England and, in 1975, a master's in business administration from Harvard Business School.

Shalson is a seasoned and successful healthcare executive whose appointment marks an important milestone for the company. Under his direction, CORTEX looks forward to capitalizing on the tremendous opportunities presented by the rapidly expanding field of neurological pharmaceuticals.

CORTEX, with laboratories in Irvine, is focused on discovery and development of therapeutics for age-related brain and memory disorders including stroke and Alzheimer's disease.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Supermail International Inc. (NASDAQ:SPML) second quarter revenues (June 30, 1990) rose more than 50 percent to $1,026,484, from $677,026 last year, while losses declined by more than half to $74,686 from $183,985, according to Christine A. Umbertino, Supermail president.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company recorded a loss of $154,061, down from last year's six month loss of $433,899, while revenues rose more than 53 percent to $1,927,213, from $1,259,252 last year.

Revenue increases were due primarily to newly acquired locations, but also to an increase in check cashing revenue generated by existing core stores. Other service revenue, including electronic mail, money transfer

commissions and pack and ship, declined in line with the company's shift of emphasis to the more profitable and faster-growing check cashing activities.

While losses declined, the company continued to operate unprofitably, primarily as a result of its acquisition activities, which also resulted in the assumption of debt and ''non-compete'' good will, which is written off against operating profits.

Umbertino said that the profit picture will continue to improve as the company continues to acquire additional locations.

The company considers acquisitions the most efficient and fastest method of expansion. Acquisition terms, while involving cash and the assumption of debt, have been exceedingly favorable for the company, according to Umbertino. She pointed out that the company has acquired several entities with an established significant revenue stream, with profit margins of 25 percent or more.

Supermail International Inc. operates 20 financial and communications centers in California and Nevada. These centers offer a variety of services, including check cashing, Western Union money transfers, money orders, peso exchange, lottery and lotto tickets, food stamps, facsimile and electronic mail, as well as packaging, shipping and postal services. The company is also the largest independent Western Union agent in the west.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The LIVE Specialty Retail Group, a wholly owned subsidiary of LIVE Entertainment Inc. (NYSE:LVE), has named William A. Laupus executive vice president and chief operating officer, it was announced Tuesday by Melvin A. Wilmore, president and chief executive officer for the company.

Laupus will oversee store operations and chain-wide distribution for the 141-store Specialty Retail Group, which includes the 107-store Strawberries Records, Tapes & CDs, the leading specialty music retailer in the New England area and the 34-store Waxie Maxie music chain, a leading specialty music retail chain in the metro-Washington, D.C. and Baltimore areas. He will report directly to Wilmore.

Additionally, Ivan Lipton, who has been with Strawberries for more than 10 years, has been named executive vice president and chief merchandising officer of the Specialty Retail Group, also reporting directly to Wilmore. In his new capacity, Lipton will oversee all buying and sales promotions for the chain.

Prior to joining LIVE, Laupus spent six years with the Zale Corp., a 1,300-store specialty jewelry retail chain, most recently as corporate vice president of stores and operations overseeing 250 stores and 17 regional managers. Previous positions at Zale's included executive vice president and director and senior vice president for the western region.

Prior to Zale's, Laupus spent six years as vice president and store manager with Abraham & Straus Department Stores. In addition, he has held executive positions with John Wanamaker Department Stores, May Company and Gimbel Brothers.

Lipton has spent more than 10 years with Strawberries and was promoted a year ago to executive vice president from vice president, operations. He joined Strawberries in 1980 as a store manager, later serving as a district manager and also as general chain manager.

Said Wilmore: ''Both Bill and Ivan have a wealth of retail experience - at all levels - that makes them invaluable to a broad-based operation such as ours. I look forward to Bill's insights and contributions and to a continuing relationship with Ivan, who has contributed much to the growth and success of this operation. I believe this move puts in place a formidable management team for the LIVE Specialty Retail Group.''

LIVE Entertainment is a diversified entertainment software supplier, distributor and retailer, with headquarters in Los Angeles and is the parent company of Los Angeles-based home video supplier LIVE Home Video Inc.; Minneapolis-based rackjobber Lieberman Enterprises Inc.; the LIVE Specialty Retail Group, with headquarters in Milford, Mass., which includes Strawberries Records, Tapes & CDs, and the Waxie Maxie music chain; and indirect subsidiary VCL/Carolco Communications GmbH, a home video distributor based in Munich, Germany.

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PHOENIX (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - CyCare Systems Inc. (NYSE:CYS) Tuesday announced its plans to begin a stock repurchase program whereby up to 500,000 shares of its common stock may be purchased in the open market from time to time.

The company stated that its board of directors believes that the recent trading prices of the company's stock have been adversely affected by circumstances relating to the stock market and technology companies generally, and that such prices are not reflective of the company's true value. Accordingly, the company's board has authorized the repurchase program to reduce the number of outstanding shares, thereby increasing earnings per share.

The company intends to use the repurchased shares for employee stock option and incentive plans.

CyCare Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Jim Houtz, stated: ''We view this repurchase program as being an attractive use of the company's available cash to enhance reported per share earnings for our shareholders in future periods. This repurchase program is in addition to the 420,000 shares of common stock repurchased in 1989.''

CyCare is one of the nation's leading providers of computerized information processing systems and services to the healthcare industry with over 4,800 clients, including physicians, medical group practices, faculty practice plans, hospitals and managed care organizations.

Headquartered in Phoenix, the company's business, product and sales/service centers are located in Atlanta; Chicago; Dallas; Detroit; Dubuque, Iowa; Houston; Long Island, N.Y.; Minneapolis; Portland, Ore.; San Antonio; San Diego; Wausau, Wis.; and Woodland Hills, Calif.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Nantucket Corp. Tuesday began shipping Clipper 5.0, its application development system for PCs.

The company also announced that Clipper 5.0 now includes a Virtual Memory Management System (VMM), effectively removing any practical limits to the size of DOS applications.

Fulfillment of upgrade orders received to date will proceed in the order they were received and be completed within the next two weeks. Shipments to distributors and resellers will immediately follow. The company is gearing up for its second production run, with current orders already exceeding the first run of 40,000 units.

Nantucket's virtual memory management system automatically stores memory variables and database buffers in a dynamically sized memory space comprised of main memory, expanded memory (LIM 3.2 or higher) and hard-disk swap space. The new memory manager consists of two software subsystems performing different, but related tasks.

The ''segmented'' virtual memory subsystem can address up to 64 megabytes of memory space, in one to 64 kilobyte segments, with the actual maximum amount set by the developer. For database buffering, Clipper 5.0's database driver uses virtual memory up to the available capacity of RAM plus expanded memory, usually eight to nine megabytes.

Complementing the segmented memory is a separate object memory that manages, in the segmented memory, character and array values generated by Clipper 5.0 applications. The object memory subsystem also has garbage collection capabilities, automatically reclaiming memory occupied by values no longer needed. Object memory can address up to 16 megabytes of the segmented virtual memory space.

Clipper 5.0 is the first PC application development system to implement virtual memory management on this scale.

Founded in 1984 and based in Los Angeles, Nantucket is the leading developer of application development systems for microcomputers. Nantucket products are distributed internationally through an office in the Soviet Union, subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, West Germany, Japan and Canada, and a network of full-service distributors throughout the world.

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NEWBURY PARK, Calif. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Semtech Corp. (ASE:SMH) Tuesday announced results for the second quarter and first half of fiscal year 1991.

The company reported revenues of $4,870,000 and net income of $137,000 in the second quarter ended July 29 compared with revenues of $5,054,000 and net income of $332,000 in the second quarter of the previous year.

Revenues of $9,331,000 and net income of $192,000 were reported for the first half of fiscal 1991 compared with revenues of $9,681,000 and net income of $579,000 in the like period of the previous year.

Net income for the current quarter was negatively impacted by $55,000 on lower sales volume and $73,000 in price reductions on commodity products

compared with fiscal 1990. European operating expenses were about $20,000 higher in the second quarter than the previous year.

Additionally, income taxes were $22,000 higher in the second quarter compared with the previous year. Income was higher in Europe during the quarter, which is currently subject to a higher tax rate than the United States because of Semtech's domestic net operating loss carryforward.

Although results for the second quarter are below the results for the second quarter of the previous year, revenues and net income have improved in the past two quarters. Balance sheet ratios continue to improve with the current ratio at 4.8, quick ratio at 2.8 and inventory turns at almost 3.1.

The company reported a cash increase of $550,000 in the second quarter compared with a cash decrease of $200,000 in the second quarter a year ago.

New orders of $5,260,000 were recorded in the second quarter compared with $5,713,000 in the first quarter and $4,387,000 in the second quarter a year ago. The year-to-date book-to-bill ratio is 1.18. The company reported that although new order rates are above the previous year, more orders are being placed for deliveries in the next six to 12 months.

Orders on new products, including microelectronics, have improved steadily over the past six months.

Semtech announced on Aug. 20, 1990, that it has signed a letter of intent with Lambda Electronics Inc. to purchase Lambda Semiconductors located in Corpus Christi, Texas, and Reynosa, Mexico. Semtech said the transaction is conditional upon completing a definitive purchase agreement by Sept. 30 1990.

Subsequent to the completion of the acquisition, Semtech plans to consolidate its silicon foundry business in Corpus Christi. All products produced at Semtech's wholly owned subsidiary, Polycore Electronics Inc., will be moved after safety stocks have been built for all customers and the products have been requalified at the Corpus Christi facility.

Semtech said it expects the move to be totally transparent to its foundry customers.

During the third quarter, Semtech said it expects to record a one-time non-operating charge to earnings of approximately $300,000 to write off the remaining unutilized assets of Polycore Electronics due to its relocation to the Corpus Christi facility.

The building containing Polycore's operations will be sold by Semtech. It is believed the value of the building may exceed net book value, but no

gain can be ascertained with certainty until a sale is completed.

Semtech Corp. was founded in 1960 and is a leading international manufacturer of high-quality silicon rectifiers, high-voltage monolithic capacitors, power hybrids and related devices. Semtech focuses its efforts on producing these precision components for military and commercial customers.

SEMTECH CORP.
Second-Quarter Results
(in thousands except per-share amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	7/29/90	7/30/89	7/29/90	7/30/89
Revenues	$ 4,870	$ 5,054	$ 9,331	$ 9,681
Net income	$ 137	$ 332	$ 192	$ 579
Net income per share:				
Primary	3 cents	8 cents	5 cents	14 cents
Fully diluted	3 cents	7 cents	4 cents	12 cents T

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COSTA MESA, CA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Emulex Corp. (NASDAQ:EMLX), a leading supplier of high-performance storage and networking products for the computer industry, has announced the first in a series of microchip controllers supporting the SCSI-2 standard.

The FAS200 is a high-performance single-microchip controller that provides easy implementation of the emerging fast SCSI-2 standard for computers and peripherals.

It offers sustained synchronous data-transfer rates between the computer and the peripheral device of up to 10 megabytes per second, which is more than twice the rate of present SCSI microchips, according to Kenneth Davis president of Emulex Micro Devices, an Emulex division.

SCSI stands for Small Computer Systems Interface and is an intelligent computer-interface bus for adding peripheral devices, primarily disk or tape-storage subsystems, to computer systems. Its use as a standard interface is growing rapidly among computer vendors, and Emulex is a leader in development of high-performance SCSI products in microchip form for storage peripherals.

The demand for faster performance has led to the fast SCSI-2 standard, which offers a more sophisticated and higher-performance bus and will be

put into high-end systems as soon as possible and eventually used in personal computers.

Emulex designs, manufactures and markets high-performance computer-enhancement products in the areas of system/network connectivity and storage control. Emulex addresses the DEC and IBM PC marketplaces, as well as markets for industry-standard protocols such as SCSI, TCP/IP and X.25.

The company sells worldwide to end users, OEMs, systems integrators and value-added resellers through direct-sales and indirect-distribution channels.

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COSTA MESA, CA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Emulex Corp. (NASDAQ:EMLX), a leading supplier of system and network-enhancement products for the computer industry, has announced two new personal-computer communications products.

The PC01 Smart UNIX Serial Card is designed to enable personal-computer workstations to be used as platforms for multiuser UNIX or XENIX systems, and the DCP-286/MC is a powerful front-end communications processor for personal-computer workstations. Both products are designed for use in IBM or IBM-compatible personal computers.

According to Jon Asahina, Emulex's director of communications marketing, ''Emulex is committed to offering for our customers high-performance connectivity solutions for multivendor environments by supplying products that support widely used computer-bus and network-protocol standards.

''These new PC communications products for IBM PC AT or Micro Channel personal-computer workstations demonstrate that commitment.

''The PC01 allows a PC running the popular UNIX operating system to be used as a multiuser platform for a number of users. It acts as a terminal controller, handling all character input/output and is ideal for use in powerful 386- or 486-based desktop systems.

The PC01 UNIX Serial Card is available now for volume shipment to value-added resellers (VARs) and large end-user customers. The list price is $1,195 for the eight-line board and $1,595 for the 16-line board.

First units of the DCP-286/MC communications board will be available in

September. Primarily intended for original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) it carries a list price of $1,895 for the standard four-port package.

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MANSFIELD, MA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Augat Inc. (NYSE:AUG) Tuesday declared a quarterly dividend of $0.10 per share on the company's common stock.

Payment date is Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 10, 1990.

Augat Inc. is one of the largest manufacturers of electronic connector products in the world. In close partnership with its customers on six continents, Augat develops new interconnection technology and supplies quality products for today's -- and tomorrow's -- communications, automotive and computer industries.

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AGOURA HILLS, Calif. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Fortune Petroleum Corp. (NASDAQ:FPEX) announced Tuesday a new oil and gas field discovery on its Montebello Prospect located near the city of Montebello on the east side of the Los Angeles Basin, a major petroleum province.

Fortune, along with a consortium of other companies, farmed out its Montebello Prospect to a group of companies with Trio Petroleum Inc. of Bakersfield as operator for the group.

By farming out its 20 percent working interest, Fortune retains a 2 percent carried working interest in the new well, Benton Montebello 2-6 Redrill, until payout of the drilling investment when it will convert to an 8 percent working interest.

Trio Petroleum as operator drilled the exploratory well to a total depth of 9,550 feet and completed in one of three productive zones at a rate of 175 net barrels per day 35 API gravity oil and approximately 65 mcf gas per day at pressures and rates that were continuing to improve when the test period was terminated and the well was shut in until necessary permits are obtained to place the well on production.

This is the first of several wells anticipated within the 500 acre land block. Reserves remain to be established by additional drilling.

Working interest participants in the Benton Montebello 2-6 Redrill in addition to Trio Petroleum include Benton Oil and Gas, a Ventura, Calif.-based company; Transpacific Exploration Inc. with offices in Irvine Calif; and Oregon Natural Gas Development Corp. out of Portland, Ore.

Fortune Petroleum is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with its principal properties located in California.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Enron Corp. Tuesday announced that agreements have been signed for power sales, joint venture operations and gas supply for Enron's Teesside, United Kingdom power project, which is one of the world's largest gas-fired, combined cycle gas-turbine heat and power (CHP) projects.

An affiliate of Enron will design, construct and operate the 1725 megawatt(Mw) independent power facility to be located at ICI Chemicals & Polymers Limited's Wilton Works plant near Redcar, on Teesside in Northeast England.

The project, which is dependent on several important pending governmental permission and consent agreements, will add approximately 3 percent to England and Wales' power generating capacity and will supply a substantial portion of ICI's steam needs at Wilton.

Power sales agreements have been executed for all 1725 Mw of firm capacity. Four regional electricity companies and ICI are the primary

purchasers. The regional electricity companies and their respective power commitments are:

Midlands Electricity	500 Mw
Northern Electric	400 Mw
South Wales Electricity	200 Mw
South Western Electricity	200 Mw

ICI has committed to 257 Mw as well as receiving the steam production from the power facility. A marketing company jointly owned by Enron and ICI has committed to the remaining 168 Mw for additional sales to the United Kingdom electricity market.

The power sales agreements have an initial term of 15 years beginning April 1, 1993 with options to extend. The power price provisions of these agreements include fixed escalating components to cover the project's non-fuel costs and effectively pass through the project's primary fuel costs.

The four regional electricity companies are expected to assume a 50 percent equity ownership, with Enron retaining the remaining 50 percent ownership in the joint venture. ICI may purchase up to 10 percent of the equity from Enron after the plant commences commercial operation, and will have as site owner, a special shareholder's interest.

A long-term gas supply contract has been signed with the Amoco/Gas Council Group whose members are affiliates of Amoco Corporation, Amerada Hess Corp. and British Gas Plc. The contract provides for approximately 300 million cubic feet of natural gas per day to be delivered from the North Sea to Teesside for a period of 15 and 1/2 years beginning April 1, 1993.

Price terms on the gas and power contracts were not disclosed.

The natural gas is to come from the development of two new fields, Everest and Lomond, in the Central Graben area of the North Sea. The fields lie about 140 miles east of the U.K. in about 300 feet of water. Everest lies principally in Blocks 22/9 and 22/10a with an extension into Block 22/14a. The Lomond field lies in Block 23/21.

Gas is to be piped to Teesside via a new pipeline system called CATS, the Central Area Transmission System. The proposed CATS system is a 36-inch diameter line with a peak capacity of approximately 1.4 billion cubic feet per day.

The system would be initiated by the development of Everest and Lomond but would be designed to allow significant transportation of gas from other fields yet to be developed in the Central North Sea. Participants in the joint venture formed to develop and own the CATS system are the same as

those in Amoco/Gas Council Group.

Plans for the development of the field and CATS pipeline are subject to approval of the Secretary of State for Energy.

Separate Enron/ICI joint ventures will have rights to transport an additional 300 MMcf/d of gas through the CATS pipeline, and have certain rights to the liquids contained in the natural gas.

The joint venture power company has entered into a fixed price turnkey construction contract with an affiliate of Enron at a purchase price of 595 million pounds (equal to approximately $1.1 billion U.S. dollars).

The fixed price excludes certain U.K. power grid interconnection fees and the pipeline connection as well as interest during construction, financing and legal fees and working capital requirements. Commercial operation of the facility is expected to occur on or before April 1, 1993.

General site contractor bids from U.K. firms have been received and awards are scheduled to be announced shortly in order for site preparation to begin. Major construction activity will commence upon the receipt of relevant permissions from local and national authorities.

The power generation equipment will consist of eight combustion turbines and two steam turbine packages designed by Westinghouse Electric Corporation. Heat recovery boilers for the project will be provided by a U.K. subsidiary of Rolls Royce Plc.

Westinghouse will provide engineering and equipment from its facilities in the U.S. and through its relationship with Mitsubishi Heavy Industries in Japan, and Brush Electric in the United Kingdom.

Financing for the project is in progress. The permanent financing is expected to be non-recourse and off-balance sheet to the joint venture owners and is expected to be underwritten by major international banks.

''We are extremely pleased to bring this project to contractual reality,'' said Kenneth L. Lay, chairman, president and CEO of Enron Corp. ''This project not only represents a major new market for our already large U.S. power generation business but also signifies the role that natural gas can play in providing clean, cost-efficient energy in the independent power production market worldwide.''

Lay also noted that while the project earnings will begin in 1993, certain project development fees are expected to be recognized in income beginning in 1990.

''This combined heat and power project significantly improves ICI's cost

base and strengthens its operations on Teesside as well as improving the environmental air quality in the Northeast England area,'' said Ralph Hodge, chief executive of ICI Chemicals & Polymers Limited.

Hodge also noted that the local area will benefit from the substantial employment to be created during the development of the gas fields and pipeline system and the construction of the power station.

''The overall energy efficiency of this proposed project will be greater than existing fossil fuel power stations,'' said Robert C. Kelly, vice chairman and chief development officer of Enron Power Corp., the Enron subsidiary developing the plant.

''There also are major environmental benefits as natural gas produces virtually no sulphur or particulates and significantly less carbon dioxide emissions than other traditional fuels used for power generation,'' Kelly said.

Enron Corp., America's leading natural gas company with approximately $10 billion in revenues and $9 billion in assets, operates the largest natural gas transmission system in the United States, markets natural gas liquids, crude oil and refined products worldwide, owns 84 percent of Enron Oil & Gas Co., one of the U.S.' largest independent (non-integrated) natural gas production companies, and also is one of the largest independent producers of electricity in the U. S. with extensive experience in combined heat and power installations.

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VALHALLA, NY (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - ComponentGuard Inc., now the world's leading brand name consumer warranty program, has been officially awarded the AAFES (Army & Air Force Exchange Service) military contract, confirmed company Chief Executive Officer Robert Minnick.

The company is a publically traded corporation traded Over-The-Counter, (OTC - PLUG).

AAFES is ranked the 11th largest retailer in the world. For the fiscal year 1989, AAFES' overall worldwide sales were $6.8 billion; $3.71 billion in the continental United States and $3.1 billion overseas. Sales of items to be covered by extended warranties (electronics, cameras, computers, appliances) was approximately $1.36 billion or 20 percent of total sales. AAFES served 14 million authorized patrons in 1989.

The military contract now enables ComponentGuard to offer its warranty protection to the active duty military, government employees and retirees who shop at the 265 military exchanges worldwide, a first in the consumer electronics warranty business, notes Minnick. Of that total, 171 are located in the continental United States and 94 overseas.

ComponentGuard has also been given approval to roll out its program to all Marine Corp. exchanges, as well as the Coast Guard Exchange System.

ComponentGuard's unique access to the worldwide availability of repair service centers located conveniently to the military bases and inovative approach to packaging consumer warranties just like any other consumer product were key factors in its acceptance by the military.

One of the newest features that made the ComponentGuard program a winner was its special ''800'' number arranged through AT&T International. With this innovative feature, warranty owners in the overseas military market may dial the local AT&T operator who in turn will connect them via satellite to the ComponentGuard's 800 number. Wherever the consumer is, they are just a local call away from knowledgeable customer service personnel.

In addition to its newest offerings in cameras and sporting goods, ComponentGuard offers warranty programs for virtually every consumer electronics product available, including car stereo and mobile electronics audio and video products, and key major appliances.

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VALHALLA, NY (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - ComponentGuard Inc., the world's leading brand name extended warranty service plan, has announced the warranty industry's most comprehensive service plan available over the counter to the consumer at retail, according to company chief executive officer Robert Minnick.

The company is a publically traded corporation traded Over-The-Counter, (OTC - PLUG).

Called ComponentGuard's PROTECTION PLUS, this latest in off-the-shelf packaged warranties offers these outstanding benefits for today's value-conscious and on-the-move consumer.

- A toll-free CONSUMER ANSWER LINE, similar in concept to the G.E. answer

line, is staffed by friendly experts whose guiding philosophy is, ''There's no such thing as a dumb question.'' Consumers' anxieties over equipment hook-up, specific programming features (in VCRs and the like), product compatibility (e.g., computers and peripherals), and routine maintenance questions are handled in a helpful, non-threatening fashion by skilled professionals.

- PURCHASE PROTECTION is provided for a full 90 days from date of purchase, covering loss, theft, fire, or accidental breakage of new product. - FREE ANNUAL ''SPEC CHECK'' entitles consumers to bring any audio or video product (except projection TVs) to a service center to determine if the product is meeting a manufacturer's claimed specifications. Products are 'tuned up' to spec.

Product categories covered by The ComponentGuard PROTECTION PLUS Plan include the following: Audio/Video (1, 2 and 4-year totals); Car Stereo (3 year totals); and home office (1 and 2 year).

To validate the ComponentGuard PROTECTION PLUS Plan, the consumer simply returns the GuardCard enclosed in the ComponentGuard package. The company then imprints it with the customer's name, account number and service term. In addition, the company provides special stickers to attach to the equipment.

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PURCHASE, NY (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - IP Forest Resources Co. (IPFR), managing general partner of IP Timberlands Ltd. (IPT), Tuesday announced a cash distribution of 72 cents per Class A Depositary Unit in IPT covering the period July 1, 1990 to Sept. 30, 1990.

The cash distribution is payable Nov. 14, 1990 to holders of record at the close of business on Sept. 28, 1990.

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MERIDEN, CT (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Cenvest Inc. (NASDAQ:CBCT), a bank holding company for Central Bank, First Central Bank, and Meriden Trust and Safe Deposit Co. announced Tuesday that its Chairman, James H. Doak Jr., has informed the board of directors of his intention to retire at year end and that a committee of the board has been formed to search for his successor.

Doak will complete a 31 year career with the institution which was The Meriden Savings Bank when he joined it in early 1960. During his 13 year tenure as chief executive officer the institution has grown in assets from $150 million to $850 million and became a publicly owned multibank holding company.

''It has been challenging work especially since much of it was concentrated in the recent period of extraordinary change and deregulation within the banking industry,'' said Doak. ''I am grateful,'' continued Doak, ''to the board of directors, the staff and officer corps of the institution, and the loyal customers we have served for the opportunity to do meaningful work that has measurably helped the communities we serve.''

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Proteon Inc. Tuesday announced a new series of high performance drivers that enable its ProNET-4/16 network interface cards (NICs) to exploit virtually the full bandwidth of a 16 Mbps token ring network.

Working in tandem with ProNET-4/16's bus master architecture, Proteon RapiDrivers set a new standard for PC LAN performance.

In tests run with Novell NetWare 386, ProNET-4/16 has demonstrated throughput of more than 15 Mbps as measured by Perform-3, the industry standard benchmark for Novell NetWare performance. RapiDriver lets users access up to 95 percent of the 16 Mbps network bandwidth for their applications, giving them the fastest response possible in demanding file server environments.

''Users of such high performance networking environments as Novell NetWare and Microsoft LAN Manager are looking for physical layer connectivity products of equal caliber,'' said Carl Blume, Proteon product manager for network interface cards. ''With RapiDrivers, our ProNET-4/16 products deliver the full performance of 16 Mbps token ring.''

RapiDrivers more than double the performance of the ProNET-4/16 family.

In initial Perform-3 tests under NetWare 386, the Proteon p1990 EISA network interface card achieved throughout 1807 KiloBytes per second, or 15.3 Megabits per second, and the p1390 PC AT network interface card was measured at 1467 KiloBytes per second, or 12 Megabits per second.

The drivers adhere to Novell's Open Data-Link Interface (ODI) standard and support packets as large as 4 KiloBytes. The drivers are designed for complete certification by Novell.

Similar performance gains are achieved for all networking environments supported by Proteon, including Microsoft LAN Manager, Banyan VINES and the IBM PC LAN Program.

All RapiDriver editions use a new beta release of microcode for the Texas Instruments TM$380C16 processor as well as Proteon-developed bus transfer techniques that improve the speed and efficiency of sending data across the PC's I/O bus.

RapiDrivers are designed specifically for ProNET-4/16 network interface cards that support the Micro Channel, EISA and PC AT bus architectures. They come standard with the appropriate ProNET-4/16 network interface cards or cost $75 (US list) if sold separately. They are backward compatible with all ProNET-4/16 network interface cards and will be available by the end of 1990.

Proteon is a leading supplier of reliable token ring solutions that support today's critical applications. Proteon's PC LAN solutions are designed to provide exceptional price/performance and increased network availability which results in a low cost of network ownership.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Proteon Inc. Tuesday expanded its high performance 4/16 Mbps family with the introduction of the p1890 ProNET-4/16 Micro Channel Adapter.

Designed for file server and high performance networking applications, the p1890 provides greater throughput at a lower price than competitive IBM 16/4 adapters. The p1890 also offers the industry's first lifetime warranty for 4/16 Mbps token ring.

The p1890 Micro Channel Adapter uses a nng interface circuit based on the Texas Instrument TMS38053 chip and has been extensively tested by Proteon for interoperability with the IEEE 802.5 standard and the IBM 16/4 Adapter/A.

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LONDON (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of TVS ENTERTAINMENT PLC has declared an interim dividend of 3.0 pence per ordinary share for the first six months of 1990.

Group profits are 7.8 million pounds sterling before exceptional items and taxation, against 13.4 million pounds sterling for the corresponding period of 1988-89. The fall is due to increases in the Channel Four subscription (2.4 million pounds) and the Exchequer Levy (4.8 million pounds) which cut into the profits of TVS Television.

TVS Television's share of Net Advertising Revenue rose during a difficult time for the industry.

The company's U.S. Television production subsidiary, MTM Entertainment, made a trading profit of 0.7 million pounds, after making a trading loss of 8.9 million pounds in the eight months ended Dec. 31, 1989. Staff numbers have been reduced by 25 percent and development and overhead expenditure by 45 percent over the comparable period.

New production and marketing strategies have been introduced. New series include ''Evening Shade,'' a comedy by the creators of ''Designing Women'' and starring Burt Reynolds.

The interim statement will be sent to shareholders. Copies will be available for inspection at the company's head office, 84 Buckingham Gate, London, SW1E 6PD.

The Chairman's Statement Results For The Six Months Ended June 30, 1990
Unaudited figures for the six months ended 30 June show a group profit of 7.8 million pounds before exceptional items and taxation, compared with 13.4 million pounds in the six months ended 30 April 1989. Last year, in common with a number of other television companies, TVS ENTERTAINMENT changed its accounting reference date to 31 December. The latest interim figures do not therefore cover the same calendar months as in the previous

year.

These results relate to an exceptionally difficult period for the television industry. They also underline the strength and resilience of TVS Television.

TVS Television

The trading profit of UK Television is 9.9 million pounds against 15.5 million pounds in the six months to 30 April 1989. The difference is more than accounted for by substantial increases in two areas of cost outside our control. Our Channel Four subscription, which is geared to advertising revenue in the previous year, increased by 2.4 million pounds (17.9 percent) to 15.8 million pounds. The Exchequer Levy went up by 4.8 million pounds (133.3 percent) to 8.4 million pounds. The higher Levy is the result of a change in the basis of calculation from the beginning of this year (the Levy is now based mainly on advertising revenue, not on profit) coupled with the scheduling of some of our major programs.

UK Television's turnover is down 8.7 percent to 105.4 million pounds. Program sales are 13.5 million pounds lower, primarily because of the scheduling of certain programs. Well received TVS productions transmitted in the first half of this year included ''Perfect Scoundrels,'' a comedy drama starring Peter Bowles and Bryan Murray; ''Motormouth,'' the weekend children's series; and a factual children's series ''Art Attack.''

TVS Television's share of net advertising revenue (''NAR'') in the first six months was 11.5 percent, compared with 11.3 percent for the six months ended 30 April 1989. NAR increased by 3.8 percent between the first six months of 1989 and the first six months of this year against an average increase for the industry of 2.9 percent. These figures are a tribute to TVS Television's sales and marketing skills and the quality of its programming.

MTM Entertainment

The US domestic syndication market on which MTM depends for profitabe exploitation of successful series originally made for national television networks, remains difficult. Unfortunately, none of the new MTM series - ''Capital News,'' ''FM,'' and ''City'' - reached its target audience figures and none was renewed by the networks. ''Newhart'' also ended eight successful years on the network as an MTM produced program.

MTM has high hopes for ''Evening Shade,'' a new series starring Burt Reynolds, created, written and produced by Linda Bloodworth-Thomason and Harry Thomason. This successful husband and wife team who were responsible for ''Designing Women'' have been joined at MTM by Graham Kerr whose ''healthy'' cooking program has been sold in advance to sufficient

US independent television stations to justify production. This is MTM's first series for the first-run syndication market. MTM is negotiating new three year agreements with the talented Paul Haggis, a writer and producer of the popular ''thirtysomething,'' and the creative partnership of Mark Egan and Mark Solomon, executive producer of ''Newhart.''

MTM made a trading profit of 0.7 million pounds in the first half of this year, compared with 0.8 million pounds in the six months to 30 April 1989. In the remainder of 1989 MTM made a trading loss of 8.9 million pounds. The decline in profitability was arrested by a rigorous reduction in overhead and development costs and strict budgeting. Comparing the six months to 30 June 1990 with the six months to 30 April 1989, production and administrative staff have been reduced by 25 percent and development and overhead expenditure has been reduced by 45 percent.

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IRVINE, Calif.(SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Matsushita Avionics Development Corp. (MADC), a company that will develop in-flight communications equipment for airline passengers, has been established by Matsushita Electric Industrial (MEI) Co. Ltd., Osaka, Japan.

''Avionics'', as airline passenger information and communciations equipment is known, includes audio systems, television and video systems, as well as in-flight telephones and facsimile units. The demand for avionics equipment is on the rise, due primarily to the current expansion of aircraft manufacturing.

Matsushita entered the worldwide avionics market in 1981, with the establishment of Masushita Avionics Systems (MAS) in Seattle. MAS currently holds the leading market share of in-flight audio systems.

''The new company will work closely with the U.S. aircraft and airline industry on creating an advanced, computerized audio-video entertainment and passenger management system for planes of the future,'' explains Richard Kraft, president of Matsushita Electric Corp. of America (MECA), MEI's North American subsidiary.

''Being in Irvine puts us very near our customers. MADC is an example of Matsushita's worldwide commitment to localized research and development activities.''

MADC, which officially began operations in September, is MEI's seventh U.S. research laboratory. Matsushita's U.S. labs are involved in such projects as speech recognition and sythesis, digital image processing and high density data recording, communciation systems, advanced computers, advanced point-of-sale terminals and HDTV. Equipmemt developed by MADC will be produced in Japan by MEI's Audio Video System Division.

MECA, with 11,000 employees in North America and 29 subsidiaries and affiliates, including 15 factories, markets and produces both consumer and industrial products. MECA's consolidated sales for 1989 reached $5.4 billion.

Established in 1918, MEI is the world's leading manufacturer of consumer and industrial electronics products. Annual sales for the fiscal year ending March 1990, reached $37.75 billion.

MEI has more than 190,000 employees worldwide, with 120 factories and sales offices in 38 countries. Matsushita's 14,000 different electronics products are marketed under the Panasonic, Technics, Quasar and National brand names.

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WAYNE, Pa. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - ECC International Corp. (NYSE: ECC) Tuesday announced that it had signed a new revolving credit agreement with its lead banks, Mellon Bank East, Sun Bank N.A. and Daiwa Bank Ltd.

Under terms of the new agreement, the company's revolving line of credit was increased from $10 million to $20 millon. The company is expecting to see an increase in foreign contracts this year and therefore also negotiated an increase in its standby letter of credit facility.

George W. Murphy, president and chief executive officer, stated that the new banking arrangement would comfortably support the continued growth the company expects to achieve in its new fiscal year, which began July 1.

For the year ended June 30, ECC reported net income of $3,129,000, or 55 cents per share, on record sales of $55,867,000.

The company completed the 1990 fiscal year with an order backlog, including government exercisable production options, of $188.6 million.

ECC International Corp. is a world leader in the design, research and

production of simulators and related training programs for crew, operator and maintenance training.

Through its headquarters and Instructional Systems Development Group in Wayne; its Systems Design and Production Center in Orlando, Fla.; and through a wholly owned subsidiary, ECC Simulation Ltd. in Shoreham, England, the company provides a wide range of products and services used by all branches of the U.S. Department of Defense and by armed forces in 25 foreign countries.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - New features in two IBM typewriters announced Tuesday effectively raised the level of function and performance which businesses should be expect from compact and basic electronic typewriters.

The IBM Wheelwriter(a) 15 and Personal Wheelwriter 2 both include more capabilities than IBM's previous compact and basic office typewriters--and do so at same price.

''The level of price/performance our customers want and expect from typewriters continually increases,'' said Marvin L. Mann, chairman of the IBM's Information Products subsidiary in Lexington, Ky. ''Advances in technology enable us to incorporate richer function in our products while maintaining the same suggested price.''

The enhancements include more flexibility in formatting individual documents; the capability to store a variety of formats for forms, letters and envelopes; versatile letter and line spacing to enhance the look and legibility of documents; and other features designed make typing simpler, easier and faster.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Computer Systems Tuesday announced new products and services that make it easier for customers to manage computers and widely dispersed networks made up of many vendor's products.

''Networked computers are often located in places like retail shops where

there's little technical expertise,'' said Scott Perry, vice president of marketing and strategy. ''AT&T Computer Systems is offering a menu of management systems and services that let customers manage these complex, remote networks from a central site. The offerings are part of a framework called Networked Computing Support, which will help customers cope with a range of management needs from routine operations to disaster recovery.''

The new AT&T StarGROUP(R) Systems Manager provides an easy- to-use graphical interface for managing various networks, systems and routers, including devices that use the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP). When the Systems Manager is used with other StarGROUP tools -- Computer Manager, Network Manager and Router Manager -- customers can manage a nationwide network of computers from a single location. AT&T's Remote Management Package monitors temperature and enviromental conditions around AT&T Intel-based UNIX(R) servers in remote locations.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Philadelphia's Whitman's Chocolates, whose support of American forces overseas dates back to World War I, is sending more than 12 tons of boxed sweets to forces stationed in the Saudi Arabian desert, Whitman's President Jay G. Shoemaker announced Tuesday.

Whitman's is sending more than 50,000 individual boxes of candy -- including its patented Sampler collection -- which will be delivered by military carriers, Shoemaker explained.

He added that the Saudi shipment is in keeping with a company tradition of supporting American forces overseas with a delicious taste of home. ''During both World Wars, Whitman's shipped candies to our soldiers, and many were accompanied by notes of support from our employees. We're proud to continue that fine tradition.''

Whitman's employees are enclosing personal greetings and best wishes, and Philadelphia residents are also being invited to send notes which will be forwarded with the candy.

The candy communications should be addressed to Whitman's Chocolates c/o Treats for Troops, P.O. Box 6070, Philadelphia, Pa. 19114.

Shoemaker said the company had some concerns about shipping chocolates to

the troops, but that the military specifically asked for the sweets.

''The chocolates will be sent in refrigerated storage, so it should be fine until it gets off the plane in Saudi Arabia,'' he explained, ''and then our guess is it won't have time to melt.''

The first shipment of candy is scheduled to leave Philadelphia, Tuesday, Sept. 11, for Fort Bragg, N.C.

Whitman's Chocolates is a division of PET Inc., a Whitman Co.

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LITTLETON, MA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Alliant Computer Systems Tuesday announced an easy and cost efficient way to let users in a Digital VAX local area network access an Alliant supercomputer.

Alliant's new DNX/LAT capability enables FX/Series supercomputers to provide Digital's Local Area Transport (LAT) services to VAX users in a network. LAT is Digital's proprietary network protocol that allows network access for VAX terminals using low cost LAT terminal servers.

DNX/LAT reinforces Alliant's position as a leader in providing supercomputing resources to VAX users. In addition to DNX/LAT, Alliant offers a VAX integration package which includes DNX, a DECnet-compatible working package; DNX-Batch, for batch submission from VAX systems; EDT+, a full-featured EDT editor; and VCL, a DCL command shell.

DNX/LAT provides an easy migration path between Alliant's multiprocessor UNIX environment and the VAX/VMS world. It supports LAT terminal server print services, allowing users to print from both the Alliant supercomputer or VAX host computer.

DNX/LAT also supports remote login functions, letting remote VAX users access supercomputer resources from any location over a telephone connection.

To manage LAT host services and network statistics on the Alliant FX/Series, DNX/LAT includes a LATCP network management program. DNX/LAT is available for Alliant supercomputers running Concentrix 5.0 (or higher) or Concentrix-2800 2.0 (or higher), Alliant's UNIX operating system. DNX/LAT uses a standard Ethernet controller and can run concurrently with TCP/IP.

DNX/LAT is available on the FX/2800 and costs from $15.25K depending on

FX/2800 configuration.

Alliant Computer Systems Corp. manufactures standards-based parallel supercomputers with visualization tools that enable scientists and engineers to quickly interpret and solve complex problems.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Century MediCorp (NASDAQ:CEMC) Tuesday announced that it expects to report that revenues for the year ended June 30, 1990 will be approximately $60,000,000, an increase of approximately 36% from the $43,760,567 in revenues reported in the prior fiscal year.

Net income for the year will be approximately $1.7 million or $.38 per share, including a net operating loss carry-forward of approximately $600,000 or $.12 per share. In the prior fiscal year, net income was $606,542 or $.15 per share including a net operating loss carry-forward of $206,224 or $.05 per share. All earnings per share calculations reflect the one-for-five reverse stock split effected May 11, 1990. Management believes that the substantial increase in net income is primarily the result of increases in enrollment at AmeriMed and its acquisition of VIP Health Plan during April, 1990.

According to Jacob Terner, M.D., President, ''With regard to the outlook for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991, in that Century MediCorp's revenues are currently running at the annualized rate of approximately $90,000,000, we expect that for the year as a whole, both revenues and profitability will be up significantly over fiscal 1990.''

The Company noted that these are preliminary estimates and audited figures will be available by the end of this month.

Century MediCorp operates as a health maintenance organization through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, AmeriMed, based in Pasadena, VIP Health Plan in Oxnard and Loma Linda Health Plan in San Bernardino, all California-licensed HMOs. The HMOs provide comprehensive health care services to their approximately 80,000 Southern Californian members as an alternative to traditional indemnity medical insurance coverage. Century MediCorp also operates East Los Angeles Doctors Hospital, a 128-bed acute care hospital facility.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - ECC Group plc (NASDAQ:ECLAY) announced Tuesday that a second interim dividend of 13.0 pence per ordinary share or 51.99 pence per American Depositary Share (inclusive of U.K. tax credit) was declared for the fifteen months ending December 1990.

The dividend is payable on Dec. 14, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 18, 1990. The payment date for holders of American Depositary Shares is Dec. 21, 1990. One American Depositary Share equals three ordinary shares.

The payment of a second interim dividend this year follows the company's decision, announced in December 1989, to change its year end from Sept. 30th to Dec. 31st, commencing in 1991. The final dividend for fiscal 1990 will be declared in March 1991, payable in June 1991. For the year 1991 and thereafter, ECC will return to its practice of paying two dividends per year, declaring an interim dividend in September, with a payment date in December and declaring a final dividend in March, with a payment date in June.

Year-end results for the twelve months to Sept. 30, 1990 will be announced Nov. 20, 1990.

In a separate development, ECC said that it intends to reduce its level of activity in homebuilding. Sales of land holdings and houses are expected to yield in excess of 200 million pounds in cash flow income to the company over the next three to four years. Further realizations are likely to occur over a number of years after that date at a reduced level.

ECC said it wishes to concentrate on consolidating and extending its mineral extraction and construction materials operations worldwide.

With annual sales of approximately $1.6 billion, U.K.-based ECC Group is a leading producer of industrial minerals for the paper, specialty chemical and ceramic industries worldwide.

It produces kaolin (or china clay), calcium carbonate, ball clay and other

industrial mineral products. The company is also engaged in the production of construction materials, such as concrete building blocks, aggregates and road surfacing. The company's U.S. headquarters are based in Atlanta.

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OTTAWA, ONT. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The Computerized Dispatch Systems division of Gandalf Technologies Inc. has sold two of its Cabmate systems to U.S. taxi companies, in contracts with a combined value of nearly $1.5 million (U.S.).

One of the systems is being installed for a taxi company in suburban Washington, D.C. The other installation is in New York City, where three other Cabmate systems already are in use.

Gandalf's Cabmate computerized dispatching systems reduce waiting time for taxi customers, reduce unproductive driving time for drivers, provide for equitable distribution of fares to drivers, and facilitate fleet operation with a variety of management reports.

Gandalf Cabmate systems are in operation in five cities in Canada and in operation or under installation in 15 cities in the U.S.

Gandalf Technologies Inc. provides computer communications solutions to end users. The company is a leading international designer, manufacturer and supplier of a broad range of computer and communications systems which it markets through subsidiaries worldwide.

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COLUMBUS, OHIO (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Max & Erma's Restaurants Inc. (NASDAQ:MAXE) announced record third quarter revenues and record fully-taxed quarterly earnings resulting in part from a 27 percent gain in total revenues and a lower effective tax rate.

For the third quarter of 1990 the company reported total revenues of $7,246,000, fully-taxed income and net income of $289,000 or 9 cents per share income as compared to revenues of $5,709,000, fully-taxed income of $211,000 or 7 cents per share and net income of $320,000 or 11 cents per

share for the third quarter of 1989.

Net income in the third quarter of 1989 was aided by a $109,000 (4 cents per share) tax benefit of a net operating loss carryforward.

Year-to-date total revenues rose 23 percent to $22,880,000 in 1990 from $18,612,000 in 1989. For the year, fully-taxed income rose 12 percent from $635,000 or 22 cents per share in 1989 to $710,000 or 21 cents per share in 1990. Year-to-date in 1989 the benefit of the loss carryforward increased net income by $327,000 (12 cents per share) to $962,000 or 34 cents per share.

Todd Barnum, president, chief executive officer and chairman of the board said the quarter's results represent the company's best quarterly performance this year. He noted several factors affecting the quarter's results; older units continue to record increased customer traffic counts and record customer satisfaction levels; new units, clustered in existing markets, are beginning to create economies of scale and, as a result, corporate overhead as a percentage of sales reached an all-time low.

Barnum went on to say that the company's performance this quarter is an indication that restaurants opened earlier in the year are beginning to make meaningful contributions to the company's bottom line. The three restaurants opened so far this year are reporting sales close to 10 percent above company average.

He also added that a fourth restaurant, located in Pittsburgh, opened shortly after the end of the third quarter and is off to an excellent start. He said this now brings the Pittsburgh total to three and the company total to 16 in operation.

Max & Erma's Restaurants Inc. operates 16 restaurants in Columbus and Dayton, Ohio; Indianapolis; Detroit; Pittsburgh; and Lexington, Ky.; and franchises one restaurant in Canton, Ohio. Two new restaurants are under construction in Indianapolis and Detroit.

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CHATTANOOGA, TENN. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE)--The board of directors of Signal Apparel Co. Inc. (NYSE:SIA) Tuesday declared a cash dividend on the company's cumulative convertible preferred stock.

A regular quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share will be paid on the cumulative convertible preferred stock on Oct. 10, 1990, to shareholders

of record on Sept. 24, 1990.

Signal Apparel Co. Inc. is engaged in the manufacture and marketing of apparel, including knit sportswear, sweaters and knit shirts for men and boys, and women's apparel. The company's preferred and common stocks are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. The company's symbol is SIA.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Tuesday announced Freelance Graphics for OS/2 with Presentation Manager, a new presentation graphics software package that gives PC business users a fill-in-the-blanks approach to creating presentations.

The product will ship in the fourth quarter of this year.

Freelance Graphics introduces SmartMasters, families of presentation templates that manage graphics design and layout work for users.

In addition to providing professionally designed presentation backgrounds, SmartMasters' fill-in-the-blanks pages prompt users to place text and/or graphics on each page of a presentation. SmartMasters control the sizing, placement and formatting of the information, tasks which usually require graphics design expertise and a significant time investment.

Freelance Graphics also provides many presentation features that enable users to easily create business presentations, such as the ability to treat each presentation as a single file for easy global editing. Powerful charting capabilities, seamless integration with 1-2-3/G -- Lotus' graphical spreadsheet for OS/2 -- and extensive drawing and editing tools are also provided to give users all the graphics functionality they need in a single product.

''Freelance Graphics makes professionally designed presentations instantly accessible to the typical business person, who may have little or no design experience,'' said Tim Davenport, general manager of Lotus' Graphics Products Division. ''Freelance Graphics represents the next major step in Lotus' strategy to provide presentation graphics applications across major PC platforms.''

''With Freelance Graphics, the entire process of creating a presentation -- from start to finish -- is much easier than ever before,'' said Jeffrey A. Kahn, president of GreyMatter International, a Cambridge-based software consulting firm. ''Whatever you need to do -- from giving presentations a

consistent look or changing a typeface on all pages of a file to adding symbols -- is completely quick and painless. Best of all, the end result looks great.''

Presentation Features

SmartMasters come in pre-designed sets. Each set provides nine of the most frequently used presentation page types (such as title page or a one-graph page, for charts or diagrams), a consistent background design, as well as a coordinated color palette and pre-selected typefaces.

To create a presentation with Freelance Graphics, users simply select a SmartMaster design and the page templates they need, and drop their text and graphics into the designated areas on each. Each SmartMaster page prompts the user to ''type text here'' or ''place graphic here.'' As a result, users can create professional-quality presentations quickly and easily.

Thirty professionally designed SmartMaster sets ship with Freelance Graphics. Users may choose any of the existing sets, edit and customize sets to suit their needs, or create new sets. SmartMaster sets can also be switched at any time, even after a presentation has been completed. When the new design is selected, the SmartMaster will automatically transfer existing text and graphics to the new design, placing it in the appropriate location on the new pages.

Users may recycle existing graphics or develop entirely new presentations by opening multiple presentation files and moving and copying pages among them.

Another presentation feature is the Page Sorter, which lets users see miniature versions of their presentation pages in a single view. From this perspective, users may work with their entire presentation, either adding, moving or deleting pages.

Freelance Graphics also includes a spell checker as well as screen show capabilities for displaying presentations on PC monitors. Run-time versions of screen shows may be created and saved to disk for use on DOS machines -- even those without Freelance.

Printed handouts with one to six images per page can be generated automatically from either color or black-and-white presentations.

Charting and 1-2-3/G

Freelance Graphics for OS/2 offers numerous charting capabilities including:

-- More than 50 pre-defined chart styles which can be viewed and selected from the Graph Gallery, a visual menu of chart choices;

-- Mixed chart types, created by selecting individual data sets and specifying their format such as area, bar, or line;
-- Hot links to worksheets in memory for automatic updating of charts;
-- Built-in composition that automatically handles chart design and layout;
-- A variety of customization options for fonts, colors, text attributes, drop shadows and placement of chart components.

Freelance Graphics also offers unique integration with 1-2-3/G, Lotus' graphical spreadsheet for OS/2. When the products are used together, they share common functionality for printing, filing and other routine functions. They also share the Graph Tool for charting capabilities. As a result, those who use both products need to learn only one charting model. Additionally, charts created with Graph Tool can be included in Freelance presentations without losing links to data.

Drawing and Editing Features
Freelance Graphics' complete set of drawing and editing tools help users design and compose better-quality business graphics. They include:

-- An on-screen gallery of more than 500 fully editable symbols;
-- Straight lines, bezier curves, arrows, circles and other graphic primitives for editing existing symbols or for creating new graphics or diagrams;
-- A variety of editing commands and alignment tools help users make precise edits without requiring a lengthy, painstaking editing process.

OS/2 Optimization and User Interface Enhancements
Freelance Graphics for OS/2 complies with IBM's System Application Architecture (SAA) and Common User Access (CUA) guidelines for Presentation Manager applications. It takes full advantage of OS/2 Presentation Manager and supports Dynamic Data Exchange (DDE), the OS/2 clipboard, and Presentation Manager metafiles for the transfer of data and graphics between applications. The mouse is fully supported for direct access to features and any part of a graphic or presentation page.

Freelance Graphics also follows the user interface innovations and enhancements implemented in 1-2-3/G. They include dialog box previews to see the effect of a setting -- from chart types and color choices to font attributes and alignment selections. In Freelance Graphics, double clicking with the mouse on any object will bring up a dialog box, which provides a snapshot of all attributes. System Requirements, Compatibility, Availability and Pricing

Freelance Graphics for OS/2 requires an IBM PC AT, PS/2 model 50Z, 60, 70, P70, 80, a Compaq 286, 386, 386 Portable, or 100-percent compatibles. OS/2 Version 1.2 or higher is required, as is a mouse. Four megabytes of

random access memory (RAM) is also required, five megabytes if users are running 1-2-3/G or network software. Freelance Graphics is designed for use with networks that support OS/2 Version 1.2 or higher.

Freelance Graphics for OS/2 is file-compatible with Freelance Plus 3.0/3.01 for DOS. Freelance Graphics presentation files can be exported to Freelance Plus as a series of .DRW files for each page of the presentation and a Portfolio (.PFL) list of the files. Freelance Plus 3.0/3.01 .DRW and Portfolio files can be read into Freelance Graphics for OS/2, as well.

Freelance Graphics for OS/2 will be available in the fourth quarter through the reseller channel for approximately $400. Freelance Plus 3.0/3.01 users may upgrade to Freelance Graphics for OS/2 for $150. Customers should call 1-800-TRADE-UP for upgrade mailing instructions.

In addition, server and node editions that provide network administration features for controlling concurrent access and security of files will be available 90 to 120 days after the first customer ship of the standard edition of Freelance Graphics for OS/2.

Lotus Development Corp. is the leading developer of application software for personal computers and information services on CD ROM, and a leading provider of application software for workstations, minicomputers and mainframes.

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FRAMINGHAM, MASS. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Dennison Manufacturing Co. (NYSE/DSN) announced that its stockholders have approved the merger of Dennison with Avery International Corp. at a special meeting held Tuesday.

As previously announced, the merger agreement between Dennison and Avery calls for Dennison stockholders to receive 1.12 shares of Avery common stock for each share of Dennison common stock.

Avery's shareholders are meeting later today to vote upon the merger. As previously announced, in order to allow the Antitrust division of the Department of Justice to complete its review of the proposed merger, Avery and Dennison have committed to the Antitrust division that they will not, prior to Sept. 28, 1990, consummate the merger.

Avery and Dennison have also announced that they anticipate being in a position to close the transaction shortly after the Antitrust Division has

completed its review.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Exxon Co., U.S.A. announced Tuesday it will discontinue branded motor fuel marketing in the state of Colorado on March 15, 1991.

Exxon supplies on a direct basis 34 service stations in Colorado, most of which are located in the Denver and Colorado Springs areas. In addition, the market withdrawal will affect four distributors with bulk storage facilities at Akron, Wiggins, Berthoud and Trinidad. This action by Exxon applies only to motor fuel sales and not to the other products sold in the state by the company. With annual motor fuel sales of 2,000 barrels per day, Exxon does not have a major market presence in the state.

Coincident with the market withdrawal, Exxon has agreed to sell its interest in 33 service station properties in Colorado to a group of three trusts created in connection with a series of property exchanges involving a wholly-owned subsidiary of Conoco Inc.

Consistent with federal law, affected dealers, who have not terminated their agreements with Exxon, will be offered the right of first refusal to meet the trust offer and purchase the company's interest in their individual service stations. These dealers will also have the right to continue selling Exxon's branded motor fuels until March 15, 1991.

An Exxon statement said, ''In the normal course of business, Exxon continuallly evaluates the viability of the company's marketing distribution system and its ability to adequately meet the needs of its customers.

''In the case of Colorado, the viability of Exxon's motor fuel operations was found to be disappointing due to our inability to generate acceptable motor fuel margins. The decision to withdraw was prompted by the trust offer and was based on the relative merits of continuing the current operations vs. selling the properties.

''Exxon intends to implement this market withdrawal in an orderly manner. The company expects to convey its service station properties to the new owners over an extended period of time beginning in the middle of November.

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Les Rogers, 713/656-4376

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DALLAS (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Telecom (NYSE:NT) Tuesday introduced DPN Lanscope, a software package for remote management of local area networks over wide-area networks based on the DPN-100 digital data packet networking system.

''Many companies are wrestling with the issue of how best to maintain a rapidly growing population of LANs,'' said William Pfeiffer, vice president, data networks, Northern Telecom Inc. ''DPN Lanscope offers effective, centralized management of multiple LANs over a wide-area data network.''

DPN Lanscope was introduced and demonstrated at the NetWorld '90 Conference and Exhibition in the Dallas Convention Center.

DPN Lanscope provides fault and performance monitoring, resource management, software distribution, and usage tracking for geographically dispersed LANs. Network configuration, status, alarms, and performance information are presented to a centralized LAN administrator through a graphics-based user interface.

DPN Lanscope is being developed by Connect Software Inc. in conjunction with Northern Telecom.

''Lanscope is already the most comprehensive LAN management package on the market today,'' said Tom Kieffer, president, Connect Computer Co. ''By working with Northern Telecom, we bring the same LAN management capabilities to the wide-area network level with DPN Lanscope.''

DPN Lanscope will be available in May 1991. Suggested list pricing for DPN Lanscope begins at $700, with volume discounts available.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of United Industrial Corp. on Sept. 10 declared a quarterly dividend of 16 cents per share on its common stock, payable Nov. 29, to stockholders of record on Nov. 2.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Pacific Corporation today announced that it has reached agreement in principle with the management of Hoare Govett, its London-based stockbroking subsidiary, on a proposal for the sale of 51 percent of the equity of the firm to employees.

This development is a further step in Security Pacific's Alliance Project, which calls for the formation of a global network of securities firms. Under the proposed transaction, Hoare Govett will be split into two groups one of which will focus on the United Kingdom and Continental Europe and the other on the markets of Southeast Asia.

A wide number of employees in each firm will be invited to purchase equity. Both firms will be sufficiently capitalized to continue in current lines of business, as well as allow for future growth. David R. Lovejoy, vice chairman of Security Pacific Corporation, said, ''Hoare Govett will continue to play a crucial role in the Alliance, which gives our domestic and international clients access to the global capital markets.

''Security Pacific Alliance Limited which will hold significant minority interests in Burns Fry in Canada, McIntosh Securities in Australia, and Hoare Govett in Europe and Southeast Asia, has a global network of clients and information which will give each firm, including Security Pacific, a strong competitive advantage.'' Security Pacific Corporation is the fourth largest bank holding company in the United States with more than $94 billion in assets.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Quanex Corp. (NYSE:NX), a leading

manufacturer of specialty metal products, announced Tuesday the sale of Transhield Trucking (Transhield), acquired in August 1989 with the acquistion of Nichols-Homeshield.

Certain of Transhield's assets together with various rights and interests were sold to a subsidiary of Midwest Coast Transport, Sioux Falls, S.D., for immediate cash proceeds of approximately $900,000. Quanex intends to liquidate remaining Transhield assets before fiscal year-end. In a separate transaction, the company said that it had also completed the sale of certain Houston-area real estate for cash proceeds of $1.1 million. Carl E. Pfeiffer, chairman and chief executive officer said, ''We are continually evaluating all of our businesses for strategic fit and profitability. Our specialty metal products are manufactured for niche markets where Quanex has the core strengths to produce a significant competitive advantage and higher returns on our shareholders' investment.

''Businesses and assets without this potential will be sold and the proceeds used to move toward our strategic goal of becoming a specialty materials company.''

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FARMINGDALE, NY (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - VTX Electronics Corp. (AMEX:VTX) announced that it has terminated negotiations to acquire Wallace Electronics of Dallas after failing to agree on final terms.

VTX also announced that it has expanded its operations into Dallas. Its Dallas operation, which commenced in June, 1990 is engaged in the distribution of computer/telecommunications products in the company's traditional end-user marketplace.

VTX designs, distributes and assembles a wide variety of electronic wire, cable and related products used primarily in the data communications networking marketplace.

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Michael Gorin, 516/694-6700

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MIAMI (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - General Development Corp. President Thomas J. Hutchison Monday announced several promotions which he said will round out the new management team at the company and put it in a strong

position to complete its reorganization.

Charles M. Andolsek was named executive vice president and chief financial officer. Andolsek, 43, who is also a member of the board of directors, joined the company in February 1990 as senior vice president and chief financial officer.

Before coming to GDC, Andolsek was executive vice president/finance and chief financial officer of Vinters International Co. Inc. in New York. Prior to that he served in a number of executive positions with Joseph E. Seagram & Sons Inc.

Margaret A. Graff, 39, has been promoted to senior vice president/corporate planning. Graff joined GDC in 1987 as assistant vice president and assistant treasurer. Since March 1990 she has served as vice president/treasurer.

A native of North Wilkesboro, N.C., she received a Bachelor Degree in Economics from Appalachian State University.

Joseph P. Zdon, 48, was named senior vice president/controller. He joined the company in 1973 and has been vice president and controller for the company for the last 10 years.

A native of Minnesota, Zdon obtained a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from the University of Minnesota and a Masters of Science in Finance from Florida International University.

Lisa Davis Anness, 34, has been named vice president of Planning Project Management. She joined GDC in 1978 as a biologist in the Environmental Programs Department and later became director of Environmental Planning and Engineering. She was promoted to assistant vice president in October 1988.

Anness was born in Morocco. She holds a Bachelors degree in biology and a Masters degree in Business Administration both from the University of Miami.

Nelly Medel has been named director of Corporate Communications. Medel, 35 joined GDC in 1987 as administrative coordinator in the Corporate Communications Department.

She was named manager of Corporate Communications in March 1990. Originally from New York, Medel worked in the financial division at Centrust Savings Bank, within the computer sales division of Tandy Corp. and earlier was affiliated with severl South American corporations.

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VIENNA, VA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Children of all ages who have thrilled to the traditional sights and sounds of the legendary Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus soon can experience that excitement year round through a new shopping adventure in malls across the country.

Circus President Kenneth Feld announced here Tuesday (Sept. 11) that his company will launch a new national chain of Circus theme retail stores this fall. The specialty shops are designed around Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey's colorful motif and will feature high quality merchandise ranging from the coolest fashion apparel and interactive toys to authentic handcrafted memorabilia of The Greatest Show On Earth.

Merchandise will be moderately priced.

The new venture, Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Retail Inc., opens its first unit late next month in Fair Oaks Mall at Fairfax, Va. Other stores already are scheduled for West Farms Mall in Farmington, Conn., and The Mall of Short Hills in Short Hills, N.J.

The stores' products have been specially designed and crafted for Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey and will be available exclusively in the retail shops.

Feld said the company has considered for some time how the unique Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey tradition might be brought to life for children and their parents 365 days a year. He said the venture into retailing comes only after long and careful planning to insure something unique for shoppers.

The new retail operation will be directed by President and Chief Operating Officer Kathy Self, former vice president for stores with Ann Taylor, and a 20 year veteran of the industry. Self began her retailing career as an assistant buyer for Carson Pirie Scott and has been associated with a number of other prominent stores, including Bloomingdale's, Lazarus and John Wannamaker's.

Store personnel are trained by Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Clown College graduates to entertain as well as serve customers.

The announcement and preview were staged in the new headquarters building lobby against the backdrop of a mammoth Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus mural by noted artist William Woodward, commissioned by Feld to capture the flamboyance color and excitement of The Greatest Show On

Earth.

The retailing venture will be based in the new corporate world headquarters where Feld directs his global live entertainment empire.

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MARLBORO, MA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Stratus Computer Inc. was ranked number one in customer satisfaction among minicomputer and microcomputer vendors, according to results of the 1990 Mini/Microcomputer Survey released yesterday by the Cowen & Co. brokerage firm and Datamation magazine.

Stratus, which has been ranked number one for five consecutive years, held a significant lead over its closet competitors -- Tandem Computers and Digital Equipment Corp. -- as well as International Business Machines Corp.

Among computer users polled in the independent survey, Stratus customers unanimously indicated that they were not planning or considering a switch to another computer supplier.

Respondents for the survey were U.S.-based computer users in a wide range of industries, including: manufacturing, communications and other utilities, wholesale/retail, banking and brokerage, insurance, business services, education, and government.

Stratus also ranked number one in customer satisfication in a study of European users published by INPUT, a leading international research firm. According to this study, the 1989 Annual Report on Customer Services in Western Europe, issued by INPUT earlier this year, Stratus received the highest satisfaction ranking among customers for hardware and software service. In this survey, Stratus competed against major European computer vendors such as ICL and Siemens, as well as the prominent U.S. computer suppliers.

Banks, manufacturers, retailers, securities firms, and telecommunications companies worldwide depend on Stratus' fault-tolerant XA2000 Continuous Processing Systems to provide uninterrupted and fast processing for critical businessfunctions such as electronic funds transfer, factory floor control, point-of-sale authorizations, stock trading and telephone services.

Stratus Computer Inc., is a leading supplier of fault-tolerant systems for critical online applications, such as online transaction processing and

online data communication and telecommunication applications. The company offers the broadest range of fault-tolerant systems and maintains the highest standard for computer reliability. One of the fastest-growing companies in the industry, Stratus reported revenues of $341.3 million for fiscal year 1989, up 29 percent from $265.3 million in 1988.

The company, whose headquarters are in Marlboro, Mass., U.S.A., has eleven international subsidiaries. Stratus Computer Inc. common stock is traded via the New York Stock Exchange and the Boston Stock Exchange under the trading symbol SRA.

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NEW HYDE PARK, NY (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Bamberger Polymers Inc. (ASE:BPI) Tuesday announced the acquisition, for an undisclosed sum, of Coast Polymers Inc., a west coast resin distributor and trading company.

The company said the business will operate as a separate subsidiary within Bamberger, maintaining its own identity and market niche. Chris Landis and Jerry Malcolm will operate Coast as co-chief operating officers, as well as managing the west coast facility of Bamberger Polymers.

Lawrence Ubertini, president of Bamberger's domestic operations stated that ''this acquisition demonstrates our renewed vigor toward expanding our domestic operations.''

Frank Padula, executive vice president of Bamberger, stated that ''this action aggressively positions Bamberger in the rapidly expanding western market. We look forward to this relationship.''

Bamberger Polymers is an international plastics merchant involved in compounding, distribution and sales of thermoplastic resins, the raw materials for a broad range of plastic products.

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COLUMBUS, OH (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - National City Corporation (NYSE:NCC) announced today that two of its member companies, National Processing Company (NPC) and The First National Bank of Dayton (FNB), have been selected by Food and Nutrition Services of the United States Department of Agriculture to pilot the electronic delivery of Food Stamp Benefits utilizing ''off-line'', ''smart'' card technology.

Under the pilot program, each recipient will receive a plastic card, similar to an automated teller machine (ATM) card. The smart card, called ''smart'' because of a micro processor chip embedded in the card, will differ from an ATM card in that it will contain the clients' benefit balance and deduct the amount of each purchase at the point-of-sale without requiring a call to a central computer.

Both public welfare recipients and retailers will benefit from this program. The program eliminates long delays at food stamp centers and at store check-out counters for recipients. Previously, when a recipient's food stamps were lost or stolen, he or she would have no recourse. With the smart card this risk has been eliminated. Retailers would benefit from decreased check-out time; timely reimbursement for food stamp benefits; elimination of the current cash-back feature; and reduced paperwork.

Approximately 9,000 Dayton households and 70 retailers will participate in the demonstration. If the program is as successful as anticipated, it could be rolled out statewide. Nationwide, there are approximately eight million households who redeem over 2.2 billion food coupons annually at 240,000 authorized food stores.

National Processing Co., Inc. is a leader in the processing and settlement of consumer-to-corporate financial transactions. NPC has over 3,000 employees nationwide and an annual volume of over $137 million in a variety of processing services. The First National Bank of Dayton has 27 offices in the greater Dayton area, with assets of over $1 billion. FNB is in the process of merging with Gem Savings Association, a $1.5 billion thrift located in Dayton.

National City Corporation is a $23 billion bank holding company headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio. The Corporation's principal banking units include National City Bank, Cleveland; BancOhio National Bank, Columbus; and First National Bank of Louisville. Other member banks include National City Bank, Akron; First National Bank, Dayton; Gem Savings Association, Dayton; CommerceNational Bank, Lexington; and Ohio Citizens Bank, Toledo. National City also has 11 community banks serving cities and towns throughout Ohio, Kentucky and southern Indiana.

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LINTHICUM, MD (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Noise Cancellation Technologies Inc. Tuesday announced that its previously announced temporary reduction of the exercise price of 2,493,676 of its outstanding Common Stock Purchase Warrants (the ''Warrants'') from $1.00 per share to 40 cents per share for the period commencing on August 7, 1990 and ending on Sept. 14, 1990, will be extended by the company to Oct. 14, 1990 (The ''Warrant Exercise Price Reduction Offer Period'').

Each Warrant is exercisable to purchase one share of the company's common stock. During the Warrant Exercise Price Reduction Offer Period, holders of Warrants will be able to exercise their Warrants at a reduced warrant exercise price of 40 cents per share. At the conclusion of the Warrant Exercise Price Reduction Offer Period, the warrant exercise price will revert to $1.00 per share through expiration of the Warrants at varying dates through December 1992.

Swartwood, Hesse Inc. is acting as exclusive agent for the company to solicit the exercise of the Warrants for a fee of 2 cents for each Warrant exercised during the Warrant Exercise Price Reduction Offer Period.

Holders who wish to exercise Warrants during the Warrant Exercise Price Reduction Offer Period should complete and execute the form on the back of the Warrant certificate and deliver the same, along with payment of the proper warrant exercise price by hand or by mail to: American Stock Transfer & Trust Co., 99 Wall Street, N.Y., N.Y. 10005, attention: Debra McAuliffe.

While the method of delivery is at the option and risk of the holder, if delivery is made by mail, it is suggested that it be by registered or certified mail properly insured. Payment of the warrant exercise price may be made, at the holder's option, in the form of cash or certified or official bank check made payable to Noise Cancellation Technologies Inc.

In order to obtain the benefits of the reduced warrant exercise price, warrants tendered for exercise must be received in good order by American

Stock Transfer & Trust Co. on or before 5:00 p.m. New York City time on or before the date the Warrant Exercise Price Reduction Offer Period expires.

The company's common stock is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol NCTI. The closing bid price for such Common Stock, as reported by NASDAQ, was $7/16 per share on August 10, 1990.

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Cy E. Hammond, 212/560-1275

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The Home Insurance Co., a subsidiary of AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC), Tuesday announced that it had discontinued negotiations to sell US International Reinsurance Co.

The chairman, president and CEO of The Home, James J. Meenaghan, said the company was taking USI Re off the market because he was confident other options to an outright sale would produce a greater economic benefit to the company.

''After extensive negotiations with potential buyers and the receipt of an offer exceeding the statutory carrying value of USI Re, we decided the net proceeds were not enough because we believe the inherent value of USI Re is greater than the price we could obtain in today's market.

''We are now examining several financial alternatives which we are confident will maximize The Home's equity in the net assets of USI Re,'' according to Meenaghan.

''This decision is consistent with our announcement to sell our Canadian subsidiary, Commonwealth Insurance Co. From a strategic viewpoint, separating The Home from these other insurance operations, allows us to focus our attention and resources on our core business of writing U.S. primary property-casualty business,'' according to Meenaghan.

Meenaghan also said that, effective immediately, USI Re will no longer accept new or renewal reinsurance business, but all existing contracts will be fully honored and serviced.

This decision, as well as the decision to sell Commonwealth, has no effect on the previously announced proposals to sell The Home or a controlling interest in AmBase since all proceeds will be retained in The Home Insurance Co.

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or
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Paul Robitaille, 212/530-7383

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BLUE BELL, PA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. announced Tuesday a new high-performance cache disk storage subsystem for its 1100/2200 line of mainframe computers, the M9740.

The Unisys M9740 supports from 16MB to 64MB of cache memory, and it has a disk storage capacity of 32GB. It features a level of reliability and functional redundancy designed to meet the high- speed, non-stop requirements of On-Line Transaction Processing (OLTP) and information hub mainframe users.

The M9740 design combines many improved component performance characteristics to deliver the fastest input-output response time ever offered to 1100/2200 mainframe users.

Unisys will begin shipping the M9740 in October. An entry-level configuration (consisting of a dual BMC unit, 16MB of cache, and 7.92GB of disk storage) is priced at $275,707. The maximum configuration (dual WDC control unit, 64MB cache, dual SDTs, channel expansion module, and 31.68GB disk) is priced at $762,355.

CONTACT: Unisys, Blue Bell
Ed Johnson, 215/986-5367

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EDEN, NC (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Fieldcrest Cannon Inc. (NYSE: FLD) voted on Sept. 11, 1990 to pay a regular quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share of common stock and 8 cents per share of Class B common stock on Oct. 1, 1990 to holders of record Sept. 21, 1990.

This dividend level is a reduction from the second quarter dividend of 20 cents per share of common stock and 18 cents per share of Class B common stock.

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K.W. Fraser Jr., 919/665-4353

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NASHVILLE, TN (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Surgical Care Affiliates Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SCAF) the Nashville based owner and operator of outpatient surgery centers Tuesday announced it acquired the Scranton Surgery Center in Scanton, Pa.

Joel C. Gordon, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: ''We are pleased to announce that SCA purchased the Scranton Surgery Center and intend to form a joint venture between local physicians practicing in the Scranton area and Surgical Care Affiliates. The center has three operating rooms, two minor procedure rooms, and will serve the outpatient surgery needs of Scranton and the surrounding areas.

''Plans have already been approved by the State to relocate the center to another site and to purchase state-of-the-art equipment for the facility. The Scranton Center is the third facility to be operated in Pennsylvania. The other centers are located in Lancaster and Camp Hill, Pa.''

Gordon added: ''Outpatient surgery is enjoying increased utilization throughout the country. Currently, in excess of 50 percent of all surgery is done on an outpatient basis. This is expected to increase to a 60 percent level in the early 1990s. The acquisition of the Scranton Surgery Center will not only contribute to the overall profitability of SCA, it will further reinforce our commitment to establish a major presence in the mid-Atlantic states. Further acquisitions and new developments are scheduled in this year and throughout 1991.''

Surgical Care Affiliates Inc. currently operates 30 surgery centers located in 16 states, a diagnostic center and an HMO. The stock is traded under the symbol of SCAF in the over-the-counter market of the National List of the NASDAQ system and is listed daily in the Wall Street Journal.

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Joel C. Gordon, 615/385-3541

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CHERRY HILL, NJ (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - THE SCORE BOARD, INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: BSBL), Tuesday announced that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a proposed public offering of 1,000,000 shares of common stock, 300,000 of which is being offered by current shareholders.

Proceeds from the offering, to be managed by Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. Inc., will be utilized by the Company for repayment of bank debt, new product development and general working capital purposes.

The registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such State.

THE SCORE BOARD, INC. is one of the largest distributors of baseball cards and sports-related memorabilia. It also markets the Classic Major League Baseball board game and World Wrestling Federation (WWF) trading cards through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Classic Games, Inc.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Philip Morris Companies Inc. announced Tuesday the appointment of Mr. William I. Campbell as President and Chief Executive Officer of Philip Morris USA, the company's domestic tobacco unit.

Campbell succeeds Mr. Ehud Houminer who has been appointed Senior Vice President of Philip Morris Management Corporation.

The announcement was made by Hamish Maxwell, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Philip Morris Companies Inc.

Campbell joined the company in 1967. He has held positions of increasing responsibility in Benson & Hedges Canada, Philip Morris Asia, Philip Morris USA, and most recently as Senior Vice President Corporate Planning for Philip Morris Companies Inc.

Houminer's new position will involve special projects of a strategic nature, covering various aspects of Philip Morris' businesses. He has held a variety of important positions since joining the company in 1966 in Europe, Asia, and the United States. Just prior to being appointed to President and Chief Executive Officer of PM USA, he was Senior Vice President Corporate Planning.

Both appointments are effective immediately.

CONTACT: Philip Morris Companies Inc., New York
George L. Knox, 212/880-4172

-30- 1436

#90254b0865 09/11/1990 ~Business Wire

STAMFORD, CONN. (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Re Capital Corp., (American Stock Exchange: ''RCC'') (the ''company'') announced Tuesday that is board of directors approved an addional stock buy-back program to purchase for its treasury in the open market up to an additional $2 million worth of its common stock.

The new stock buy-back program supplements earlier buy-back programs under which the company has repurchased 1,224,925 shares of its common stock at a price of approximately $12,523,000.

Approximately $1,677,000 remains available from previously announced buy-back programs, in addition to the $2 million authorized today. The funds for the new stock buy-back program will come from existing corporate funds of the company and/or from bank borrowings. Thus, the buy-back program will not use capital of the company's principal subsidiary, Re Capital Reinsurance Corp. Purchases may be suspended from time to time or be discontinued.

The company's board of directors today also made two amendments to the Rights Agreement currently in effect for the company. The first amendment changes the definition of ''Acquiring Person'' from ''...the Beneficial Owner (as defined) of 20 percent or more of the common shares of the company...'' to ''...the Beneficial Owner (as defined) of 25 percent or more of the Common Shares of the Company...''.

The second amendment adds a provision to the Rights Agreement that if a person (a ''Potential Person'') would become an Acquiring Person solely by reason of the company repurchasing its own Common Stock, then (a) such Potential Person will be allowed a period of thirty (30) days in which to dispose of sufficient shares of common stock so as to not become an Acquiring Person and (b) such Potential Person will have an option, for such thirty (30) day period, to sell to the company the number of shares of common stock necessary so that such Potential Person does not become an Acquiring Person, at a price per share equal to the price paid by the company for the most recent purchase of shares of its common stock which caused such person to become a Potential Person.

Both amendments are effective with regard to persons potentially becoming Acquiring Persons on and after July 1, 1990.

In addition, the board of directors of the company Tuesday granted a conditional approval to a proposed purchase of shares of common stock of the company by John Deere Insurance Group Inc. (''Deere'').

CONTACT: Re Capital Corp., Stamford
Thomas J. Linahan, 203/977-6100

-30- 2728

#90254b0867 09/11/1990 ~Business Wire

LANDOVER, MD (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Herbert H. Haft, chairman of Dart Group Corp. (NASDAQ:DARTA), announced income before extraordinary items for the three months and six months ended July 31, 1990 was $3,214,000, or $1.70 per share and $5,555,000, or $2.93 per share, respectively, compared with $2,611,000, or $1.37 per share and $5,386,000, or $2.84 per share for the same periods last year.

Net income for the three and six months ended July 31, 1990 was $3,214,000 or $1.70 per share and $5,555,000 or $2.93 per share, respectively, compared with $2,611,000 or $1.37 per share and $5,163,000 or $2.72 per share for the same periods last year.

Revenue for the three months increased to $266,762,000 from $226,196,000 and for the six months to $504,600,000 from $434,543,000 when compared with the same periods last year.

CONTACT: Rubenstein, Wolfson & Co. Inc., New York
Stanley Rubenstein, 212/661-4343

-30- 1083

#90254b0874 09/11/1990 ~Business Wire

MIAMI (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Video Jukebox Network Inc. (VJN) (NASDAQ:JUKE) Tuesday announced that it is continuing to negotiate wtih TeleCommunications Inc. (TCI) in an effort to conclude a previously announced stock purchase agreement.

Although, the Aug. 30 date for completion of the purchase stipulated in the agreement in principle has passed, the two companies continue to work actively toward concluding the transaction.

''I am confident that we will successfully conclude our final negotiations and go forward with the sale of the stock to TCI,'' commented VJN President/Chief Executive Officer Andrew H. Orgel.

''The course of completing due diligence and settling the final points of the deal has taken longer than either party anticipated, but we fully expect to complete the sale and begin expanding the distribution of The Jukebox Network to key TCI systems around the country.''

Additionally, the company, through Communications Equity Associates, its investment banker, is continuing discussions with other qualified parties

to complete the remainder of the $10 million private placement.

Video Jukebox Network Inc. is an interactive television company that currently operates 111 units of The Jukebox Network, the leading interactive television network in the country. The Jukebox Network is available in 29 states and reaches 9.8 million households.

CONTACT: Video Jukebox Network, Miami
John Robson, 305/892-3690
or
Pamela Giddon & Co., New York
212/333-7500

-30- 1692
#90254b0877 09/11/1990 ~Business Wire

AVON, MA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Westerbeke Corp. (NASDAQ:WTBK) announced Tuesday the results of its operations for the third fiscal quarter ended July 28, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter ended July 28, 1990, were $4,032,900 compared to $3,969,400 for the quarter ended July 29, 1989, an increase of 2 percent. The company reported a net profit of $62,600, or 3 cents per share, for the quarter ended July 28, 1990, compared to a net profit of $12,300, or 1 cent per share, for the quarter ended July 29, 1989.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1990, the company reported net sales of $12,400,800 compared to $10,970,000 for the first nine months of fiscal year 1989, an increase of 13 percent. The company reported a net profit of $151,300, or 7 cents per share, for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 compared to a net loss of $(259,200) or (13 cents) per share, for the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

Westerbeke Corp. designs, manufactures and markets marine engine and air conditioning products intended principally for recreational marine applications.

CONTACT: Westerbeke Corp., Avon
Mark P. Sullivan, 508/588-7700

-30- 1307
#90254b0878 09/11/1990 ~Business Wire

BATON ROUGE, LA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of United Companies Financial Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:UNCF) declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 15 cents per share.

The cash dividend is payable Oct. 9, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business Sept. 25, 1990.

United companies is a Louisiana based financial services holding company engaged primarily in the businesses of life insurance and mortgage lending.

CONTACT: United Companies Financial Corp., Baton Rouge
Dale E. Redman or Laura T. Martin, 504/924-6007

-30- 716
#90254b0883 09/11/1990 ~Business Wire

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Westpac Banking Corp. (NYSE:WBK) Tuesday announced that it had signed agreements with IBM following IBM's evaluation of Westpac's CS90 technology.

Westpac's Managing Director Stuart Fowler said the signing of the agreements clearly established Westpac as a leader in the development of banking technology.

The agreements:

-- Provide IBM with worldwide marketing rights to certain CS90 technologies.

-- Provide for Westpac services to IBM, initially in transferring Westpac technology through implementation assistance and training, and in due course in product and marketing support.

''With IBM being a major supplier of information technology to the banking industry worldwide, we see this as a significant endorsement of Westpac's investment in CS90 technology,'' Fowler said.

The agreements were signed by Westpac's Chief General Manager, Management Services Bill McInnis with the IBM Corp. headquartered in White Plains, N.Y.

IBM Australia Ltd.'s Managing Director Brian Finn said that IBM plans to use the Westpac technology in conjunction with the IBM Financial Application Solutions architecture for the 1990's and that the technology transfer services will commence immediately at the IBM Services Sector Division development laboratory in Manassas, Va.

''IBM Australia has had a long and close relationship with Westpac for nearly 20 years during which time Westpac has become one of IBM's largest customers in the Asia Pacific region, and we see this latest event as another very positive step in the relationship,'' Finn added.

Westpac Banking Corp. is an international financial service group headquartered in Australia with operations extending offshore to 29 countries. In its home markets of Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, and the South West Pacific, Westpac offers a full range of banking and financial services. Specialized services are provided through the Westpac offices in Asia, Europe, and the United States.

CONTACT: Westpac Banking Corp., Sydney
Bill McInnis, 011-61-2-226-3024
or
IBM Communications Dept., Sydney
011-61-2-634-8809

-30- 2343

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#90254c0002 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:23 that trade in Sizzler Restaurants Int'l (NASDAQ: SIZZ) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 16 3/4. The company is located in Los Angeles, CA.

-30- 366

#90254c0003 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:33 that trade in Collins Food Int'l Inc has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol CF.

-30- 331
#90254c0004 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:39 that trade in Burritt InterFinancial Bancorporation (NASDAQ: BANQ) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 4 3/4. The company is located in New Britain, CT.

-30- 384
#90254c0006 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 11:

Jiffy Lube International Inc. (JLUB) to (JLUBD) - 1 for 10 reverse split
Medical Management of America Inc. (MMOA) to (MMOAV) - W.I. 1 for 3 reverse
split

The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept.10:

Pace Medical Inc. (PMEDU) Uts., Wts. 9/14/90 to Uts., Wts. 7/29/91

-30- 539
#90254c0007 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:27 that trade in Burritt InterFinancial Bancorporation (NASDAQ: BANQ) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/2; down 1 1/4 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 393
#90254c0008 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:37 that trade in Sizzler Restaurants International (NASDAQ: SIZZ) has been resumed. The first sale was 19; up 2 1/4 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 379
#90254c0009 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in

Collins Foods International Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CF. Trading was resumed at 10:30.

-30- 375
#90254c0010 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:48 that trade in Protech Inc.(NASDAQ: PRTC) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 2 1/2, 2 7/8. The company is located in San Antonio, TX.

-30- 340
#90254c0011 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:24 that trade in Spear Financial Services Inc.(NASDAQ: SFSN) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 3/4. The company is located in Glendale, CA.

-30- 363
#90254c0015 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY D.S. LEE OWNS 1,882,915 SHARES (16.50%) OF QUME CORP (TICKER: QUME) OF MILITAS, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990, the company mailed a proxy statement to shareholders. This amendment constitutes amendment no. 10 for David S. Lee, amendment no. 4 for New Qume Corp. and amendment no. 3 for the remaining filers.

PURPOSE:

Distribution of proxy materials.

-30- 569
#90254c0017 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY MARINA HOLDINGS CORP OWNS 1,689,375 SHARES (99.00%) OF AIFS INC (TICKER: AIF) OF SAN FRANCISCO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On June 13, 1990, the second class action suit, Shields v. AIFS Inc. et al, was voluntarily dismissed and a settlement agreement was entered into that was approved by the Delaware court on July 31, 1990. Upon the satisfaction of the merger conditions, Marina was merged into AIFS Inc. on Aug. 31, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Merger.

-30- 656
#90254c0018 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 19

ANNOUNCEMENT:

EUA has extended its offer until Sept. 14, 1990.

-30- 249
#90254c0019 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 20

ANNOUNCEMENT:

EUA has extended its offer until Oct. 26, 1990 in order to allow the SEC and the New Hampshire Public Utilities commission additional time to continue their review of the proposed acquisition.

-30- 426
#90254c0020 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.-based Blockbuster Entertainment Corp.(TICKER: BV), the owner and operator of the nation's largest video-rental chain, has received a $200 million credit line from Security Pacific National Bank, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 10, 1990.

-30- 559
#90254c0021 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - CML Group Inc.(TICKER: CML), an Acton, Mass., holding company, sold its Carol Reed Inc. women's retailing unit Aug. 24 to Carol Reed International Ltd., a subsidiary of Swire Pacific Ltd., for $11.66 million.

CML, which has been shedding assets over the last year, sold its Boston Whaler boat-manufacturing unit last spring in the face of a takeover threat by Minneapolis corporate raider Irwin L. Jacobs.

CML owns the Britches of Georgetown retailing outlets and NordicTrak exercise- machine manufacturers.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 10, 1990.

-30- 767
#90254c0022 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 2, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 17,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90254c0023 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 25,200 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90254c0025 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 15,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

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#90254c0026 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 3,500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90254c0027 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 1,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90254c0028 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 3,400 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90254c0029 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 13, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 1,900 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90254c0030 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 13,300 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90254c0031 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 6,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

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#90254c0033 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 20, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90254c0034 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 34,800 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90254c0035 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 59,500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90254c0036 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 5,200 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90254c0037 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 800 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90254c0038 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 800 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

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#90254c0039 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 1,300 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90254c0041 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, M.I. MONUS, DIR. OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC. (TICKER: BATT), BOUGHT 75,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 476,000.

-30- 316
#90254c0042 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, C.C. HAMPTON, DIR. OF COLONIAL COS. (TICKER: CLAC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 298
#90254c0043 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 2, 1990, C.C. HAMPTON, DIR. OF COLONIAL COS. (TICKER: CLAC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 302
#90254c0044 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB. 12, 1990, B.K. COUGH, DIR. OF BAR HARBOR BANKSHARES BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124.

-30- 312
#90254c0045 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 11, 1990, P.R. AKRE, CHAIRMAN OF CROWN BANCORP. BOUGHT 161 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90254c0046 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, P.R. AKRE, CHAIRMAN OF CROWN BANCORP. BOUGHT 2,807 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,618.

-30- 291
#90254c0047 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, W.T. HICKCOX, CHAIRMAN OF CONTINENTAL HOMES HOLDING CORP.(TICKER: CONH) SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90254c0049 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 20, 1990, R.E. HIRSCHMAN, DIR. OF DROVERS BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,272.

-30- 306
#90254c0050 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 20, 1990, J.F. GUSSIO JR, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL FINL CORP. (MISSISSIPPI) SOLD 2,090 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,725.

-30- 320
#90254c0051 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, D.L. PEIRCE, DIR. OF FIRST WEST CHESTER CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,700.

-30- 299
#90254c0052 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, R.C. STACKHOUSE, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANKS OF

VIRGINIA INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,419.

-30- 328
#90254c0053 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 13, 1990, C.R. FOULGER, DIR. OF ORANGE NATIONAL BANCORP. BOUGHT 370 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,444.

-30- 307
#90254c0054 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:49 that trade in Protech Inc.(NASDAQ: PRTC) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 1/2; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 335
#90254c0055 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, RYAN R GALLI, DIR. OF AMERIBANC INC. (TICKER: ABNK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,850.

-30- 296
#90254c0057 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, CURTIS INVESTMENT CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC.(GA) (TICKER: ABP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90254c0058 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, CURTIS INVESTMENT CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC.(GA) (TICKER: ABP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90254c0059 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CURTIS INVESTMENT CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC.(GA) (TICKER: ABP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,657,307.

-30- 371
#90254c0060 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DAVID K LANIAK, DIR. OF ACC CORP. (TICKER: ACCC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 286
#90254c0061 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOHN R MCMORRIS, VP OF ASSOCIATED COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ACCM), BOUGHT 210 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 329
#90254c0062 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, WILLIAM W LOCKE, OFFICER OF ARMSTRONG WORLD INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ACK), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $35.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,100.

-30- 331
#90254c0063 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 06, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0065 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 07, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0066 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 08, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0067 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 13, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0068 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 13, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90254c0069 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 14, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0070 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 15, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0071 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 95,575 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90254c0073 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 21, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0074 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 27, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0075 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 28, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0076 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 28, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,318,536.

-30- 342
#90254c0077 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 02, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0078 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 13, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL

INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90254c0079 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 13, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $8.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0081 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 19, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0082 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $8.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,365,036.

-30- 344
#90254c0083 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 30, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 477,260 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,098,700.

-30- 366
#90254c0084 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 06, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90254c0085 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 06, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90254c0086 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 07, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90254c0087 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 08, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90254c0089 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 13, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90254c0090 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 14, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90254c0091 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 15, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 319

#90254c0092 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 95,575 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90254c0093 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 21, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90254c0094 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 21, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90254c0095 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 27, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90254c0097 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 28, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,318,536.

-30- 362
#90254c0098 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 02, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90254c0099 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 13, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90254c0100 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 13, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $8.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90254c0101 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 16, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $8.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90254c0102 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 19, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90254c0103 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1988, CHASE INSURANCE HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $8.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,365,036.

-30- 364
#90254c0105 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 23, 1990, R CRAIG SCHAFER, BEN. OWNER OF ADVANCED MARKETING

SERVICES INC. (TICKER: ADMS), SOLD 67,500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90254c0106 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 25, 1990, R CRAIG SCHAFER, BEN. OWNER OF ADVANCED MARKETING SERVICES INC. (TICKER: ADMS), SOLD 52,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90254c0107 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ANTHONY A LACROIX, CHAIRMAN OF THE ADVEST GROUP INC. (TICKER: ADV), BOUGHT 5,006 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,000.

-30- 324
#90254c0108 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, LEEAM LOWIN, BEN. OWNER OF AEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AELN), BOUGHT 11,700 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90254c0109 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LEEAM LOWIN, BEN. OWNER OF AEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AELN), BOUGHT 8,300 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 363,900.

-30- 311
#90254c0110 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LEEAM LOWIN, BEN. OWNER OF AEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AELN), BOUGHT 150,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 551,500.

-30- 313
#90254c0111 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROBERT H AHMANSON, DIR. OF AHMANSON (H.F.) & CO. (TICKER: AHM), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 229,387.

-30- 328
#90254c0113 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1990, KATHLEEN T RYAN, VP OF ALLIED CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: ALLC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90254c0114 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, KATHLEEN T RYAN, VP OF ALLIED CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: ALLC), SOLD 1,750 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,454.

-30- 310
#90254c0115 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WILFRED J CORRIGAN, DIR. OF ALTOS COMPUTER SYSTEMS (TICKER: ALTO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90254c0116 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILFRED J CORRIGAN, DIR. OF ALTOS COMPUTER SYSTEMS (TICKER: ALTO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90254c0117 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JEROME A MATTINGLY, PRES. OF AMERICAN BIONETICS INC. (TICKER: AMBI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 346
#90254c0118 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, HENRY R PEROT, BEN. OWNER OF AMTECH CORP. (TICKER: AMTC), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 605,419.

-30- 313
#90254c0119 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1988, THOMAS F CAFFREY, DIR. OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90254c0121 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1988, THOMAS F CAFFREY, DIR. OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90254c0122 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THOMAS F CAFFREY, DIR. OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 515 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,362.

-30- 327
#90254c0123 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT M HENDERSON, CHAIRMAN OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90254c0124 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ROBERT M HENDERSON, CHAIRMAN OF ANDOVER BANCORP

INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90254c0125 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ROBERT M HENDERSON, CHAIRMAN OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,161.

-30- 342
#90254c0126 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT M HENDERSON, CHAIRMAN OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 339
#90254c0127 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES E MCCOBB JR, PRES. OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,780.

-30- 329
#90254c0129 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GERALD C WOODWORTH JR, PRES. OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 950.

-30- 331
#90254c0130 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, FREDERICK W LANG, CHAIRMAN OF ANALYSTS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ANLY), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293

#90254c0131 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FREDERICK W LANG, CHAIRMAN OF ANALYSTS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ANLY), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90254c0132 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FREDERICK W LANG, CHAIRMAN OF ANALYSTS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ANLY), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,884.

-30- 331
#90254c0133 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MARVIN B RUFFIN, CHAIRMAN OF ALLIED RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: ARAI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 321,062.

-30- 328
#90254c0134 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 19, 1989, WILLIAM C RUSNACK, VP OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO. (TICKER: ARC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $110.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90254c0135 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DAVID S LEWIS, DIR. OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,300.

-30- 297
#90254c0137 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, LAWRENCE K FLEISCHMAN, DIR. OF ARCUS INC. (TICKER: ARKS), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

18,750.

-30- 307
#90254c0138 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, KENNETH C HICKEN, PRES. OF ARMOR ALL PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: ARMR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 319
#90254c0139 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM J ANDRES, PRES. OF AIR WISCONSIN SERVICES INC. (TICKER: ARWS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,840.

-30- 324
#90254c0140 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, HUGH J MORGAN JR, DIR. OF ALATENN RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: ATNG), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90254c0141 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, HUGH J MORGAN JR, DIR. OF ALATENN RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: ATNG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90254c0142 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HUGH J MORGAN JR, DIR. OF ALATENN RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: ATNG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90254c0143 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, HUGH J MORGAN JR, DIR. OF ALATENN RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: ATNG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 324
#90254c0145 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, GEORGE M KELLER, DIR. OF THE BOEING CO. (TICKER: BA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $44.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,375.

-30- 299
#90254c0146 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CARTER H GOLEMBE, DIR. OF BARNETT BANKS INC. (TICKER: BBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 309
#90254c0147 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARTER H GOLEMBE, DIR. OF BARNETT BANKS INC. (TICKER: BBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,450.

-30- 309
#90254c0148 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DAVID STANLEY, DIR. OF BEST BUY CO. (TICKER: BBY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 296
#90254c0149 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:59 that trade in Above Technologies Inc.(NASDAQ: ABVE) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 7/16. The company is located in Santa Ana, CA.

-30- 348
#90254c0150 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 13, 1989, RICHARD SVRLUGA, DIR. OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90254c0151 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 19, 1989, RICHARD SVRLUGA, DIR. OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 547,608.

-30- 319
#90254c0153 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES M MORONEY JR, DIR. OF BELO (A.H.) CORP. (TICKER: BLC), SOLD 32,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 395,928.

-30- 315
#90254c0154 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, KENNETH V PENLAND, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF BLUE CHIP VALUE FUND (TICKER: BLU), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 372
#90254c0155 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, WILLIAM J ARMANINO, PRES. OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE), SOLD 66,667 SHARES AT $0.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,313,924.

-30- 350
#90254c0156 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH H IRANI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BIOMERICA INC. (TICKER: BMRA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,031,269.

-30- 333
#90254c0157 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JANET C MOORE, OFFICER OF BIOMERICA INC. (TICKER: BMRA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,033,269.

-30- 314
#90254c0158 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, EUGENE J SULLIVAN, DIR. OF BORDEN INC. (TICKER: BN), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $32.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,972.

-30- 303
#90254c0159 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROSS A TAIT, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 225 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 325.

-30- 320
#90254c0161 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GERRY A BILLER, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 315
#90254c0162 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, WILLIAM L CARTER, OFFICER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 316
#90254c0163 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DAVID P GORDON, DIR. OF BTR REALTY INC. (TICKER: BTRI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,151.

-30- 304
#90254c0164 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LAWRENCE A ADAMS, VP OF BAY VIEW CAPITAL CORP. (DEL) (TICKER: BVFS), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,025.

-30- 325
#90254c0165 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PATRICIA G KRISS, VP OF BAY VIEW CAPITAL CORP. (DEL) (TICKER: BVFS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90254c0166 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PATRICIA G KRISS, VP OF BAY VIEW CAPITAL CORP. (DEL) (TICKER: BVFS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 320
#90254c0167 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, STEVEN J NELSON, VP OF BAY VIEW CAPITAL CORP. (DEL) (TICKER: BVFS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 326
#90254c0169 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALBERT J THOMPSON, VP OF BAY VIEW CAPITAL CORP. (DEL) (TICKER: BVFS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90254c0170 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ALBERT J THOMPSON, VP OF BAY VIEW CAPITAL CORP. (DEL) (TICKER: BVFS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 326
#90254c0171 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, BARRY STEINHART, VP OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 540 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,365.

-30- 291
#90254c0172 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CARL N KARCHER, CHAIRMAN OF KARCHER (CARL) ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CARL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90254c0173 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CARL N KARCHER, CHAIRMAN OF KARCHER (CARL) ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CARL), SOLD 21,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90254c0174 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CARL N KARCHER, CHAIRMAN OF KARCHER (CARL) ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CARL), SOLD 125,000 SHARES AT $7.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,014,390.

-30- 346
#90254c0175 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, RICHARD A BENSON, VP OF CATERPILLAR INC. (TICKER: CAT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $42.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,131.

-30- 304
#90254c0177 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ABRAHAM S BOLSKY, DIR. OF CAESARS WORLD INC. (TICKER: CAW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 312
#90254c0178 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, JAMES VERLIN DAVIS, VP OF CORROON & BLACK CORP. (TICKER: CBL), SOLD 400 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,784.

-30- 323
#90254c0179 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, B F LOWERY, DIR. OF CRACKER BARREL OLD COUNTRY STORE INC. (TICKER: CBRL), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,320.

-30- 346
#90254c0180 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROCCO A ORTENZIO, DIR. OF CCNB CORP. (TICKER: CCNC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 139,757.

-30- 300
#90254c0181 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, KENNETH P GRIFFIN, OFFICER OF COMPUDYNE CORP. (TICKER: CDC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90254c0182 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, EDWARD H FIEDLER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COMDISCO INC. (TICKER: CDO), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90254c0183 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EDWARD H FIEDLER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COMDISCO INC. (TICKER: CDO), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,734.

-30- 327
#90254c0185 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, LEE R TUCKER, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA JOCKEY CLUB (TICKER: CJ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90254c0186 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, LEE R TUCKER, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA JOCKEY CLUB (TICKER: CJ), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 321
#90254c0187 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RICHARD J OLSEN, OFFICER OF CANDELA LASER CORP. (TICKER: CLZR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,446.

-30- 318
#90254c0188 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROGER T FRIDHOLM, DIR. OF COMERICA INC. (TICKER: CMCA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,100.

-30- 306
#90254c0189 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CARL L PATRICK JR, DIR. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,597.

-30- 318
#90254c0190 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CLYDE H GOSSERT, PRES. OF COMMERCEBANCORP. (CA) (TICKER: COBA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90254c0191 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CLYDE H GOSSERT, PRES. OF COMMERCEBANCORP. (CA) (TICKER: COBA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,286.

-30- 324
#90254c0193 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ACORN FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF COHO RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: COHO), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90254c0194 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ACORN FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF COHO RESOURCES LTD.

(TICKER: COHO), BOUGHT 28,000 SHARES AT $4.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90254c0195 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ACORN FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF COHO RESOURCES LTD.
(TICKER: COHO), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.54 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90254c0196 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ACORN FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF COHO RESOURCES LTD.
(TICKER: COHO), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.54 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90254c0197 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ACORN FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF COHO RESOURCES LTD.
(TICKER: COHO), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.43 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90254c0198 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ACORN FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF COHO RESOURCES LTD.
(TICKER: COHO), BOUGHT 16,500 SHARES AT $4.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 825,000.

-30- 329
#90254c0199 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DONALD E WIDLER, VP OF COLORADO NATIONAL BANKSHARES
INC. (TICKER: COLC), BOUGHT 850 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING
DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,800.

-30- 331
#90254c0201 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DONALD R ROGERS, DIR. OF COSMETIC & FRAGRANCE CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: COSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 343
#90254c0202 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, STANLEY A MILNER, DIR. OF CANADIAN PACIFIC LTD. (TICKER: CP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90254c0203 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, STANLEY A MILNER, DIR. OF CANADIAN PACIFIC LTD. (TICKER: CP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90254c0204 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, STANLEY A MILNER, DIR. OF CANADIAN PACIFIC LTD. (TICKER: CP), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90254c0205 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, STANLEY A MILNER, DIR. OF CANADIAN PACIFIC LTD. (TICKER: CP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90254c0206 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, STANLEY A MILNER, DIR. OF CANADIAN PACIFIC LTD. (TICKER: CP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,500.

-30- 318

#90254c0207 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RICHARD J THOMPSON, VP OF COMPUTER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: CPRD), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 313
#90254c0209 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOSEPH C FOX, DIR. OF CRESTAR FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CRFC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,300.

-30- 311
#90254c0210 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DAVID H RING, OFFICER OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90254c0211 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, DAVID H RING, OFFICER OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90254c0212 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, DAVID H RING, OFFICER OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90254c0213 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID H RING, OFFICER OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,879.

-30- 316
#90254c0214 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 38,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90254c0215 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 22,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90254c0217 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90254c0218 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 24,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90254c0219 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90254c0220 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90254c0221 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90254c0222 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90254c0223 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 110,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90254c0225 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, VINCENT BREITENBERGER, CHAIRMAN OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90254c0226 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, VINCENT BREITENBERGER, CHAIRMAN OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,562.

-30- 331
#90254c0227 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RAND V ARASKOG, DIR. OF DAYTON HUDSON CORP. (TICKER:

DH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $57.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90254c0228 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RAND V ARASKOG, DIR. OF DAYTON HUDSON CORP. (TICKER: DH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $55.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,483.

-30- 313
#90254c0229 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN D KRAFCHUK, SHAREHOLDER OF DOAK PHARMACAL INC. (TICKER: DOAK), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $0.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 467,307.

-30- 333
#90254c0230 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT B PEASE, DIR. OF DQE (TICKER: DQE), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 605.

-30- 276
#90254c0231 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, J P BARGER, PRES. OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 757,223.

-30- 299
#90254c0233 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, OAK INV PARTNERS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 62,500 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 414,526.

-30- 321
#90254c0234 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, OAK INVEST PARTNERS II LTD, BEN. OWNER OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 131,193 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90254c0235 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, OAK INVEST PARTNERS II LTD, BEN. OWNER OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 62,500 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 621,871.

-30- 333
#90254c0236 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, GEORGE R GIBSON, DIR. OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90254c0237 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, GEORGE R GIBSON, DIR. OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 115,200.

-30- 298
#90254c0238 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PAUL E NOBLE JR, VP OF EMC CORP. (MA) (TICKER: EMC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,101.

-30- 294
#90254c0239 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HENRY POSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF EQUIMARK CORP. (TICKER: EQK), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 333,952.

-30- 314
#90254c0241 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, THOMAS G WASHING, DIR. OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,333,158.

-30- 304
#90254c0242 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN M BURKE, VP OF FARR CO. (TICKER: FARC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 245
#90254c0243 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN M BURKE, VP OF FARR CO. (TICKER: FARC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 245
#90254c0244 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN M BURKE, VP OF FARR CO. (TICKER: FARC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 245
#90254c0245 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOHN M BURKE, VP OF FARR CO. (TICKER: FARC), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,175.

-30- 280
#90254c0246 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, EARNEST W DEAVENPORT JR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 637 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,505.

-30- 332
#90254c0247 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, DOTSON R GUINN, DIV. OFFICER OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90254c0249 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN W LOGAN, VP OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,900.

-30- 315
#90254c0250 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MARVIN J VANNATTA JR, VP OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,079.

-30- 327
#90254c0251 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ALEXANDER P WADDELL IV, VP OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,417.

-30- 329
#90254c0252 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ROBERT M BASS, BEN. OWNER OF FOREMOST CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: FCOA), SOLD 485,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,315,600.

-30- 341

#90254c0253 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, FM PARTNERS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF FOREMOST CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: FCOA), SOLD 485,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,315,600.

-30- 343
#90254c0254 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, THOMAS D GLEASON, DIR. OF FOREMOST CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: FCOA), BOUGHT 2,350 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 340
#90254c0255 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT H BOLTON, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCE CORP. (TICKER: FCOM), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 316
#90254c0257 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM & ASSOCS INC, BEN. OWNER OF FREQUENCY ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: FEI), BOUGHT 27,700 SHARES AT $5.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,364,000.

-30- 371
#90254c0258 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RICHARD H MESCHENDORF JR, VP OF FIDELITY BANCSHARES INC. (TN) (TICKER: FFTN), SOLD 453 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 388.

-30- 336
#90254c0259 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT G TODD JR, DIR. OF FLEXTRONICS INC. (TICKER: FLEX), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 540,691.

-30- 311
#90254c0260 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, BRUCE S CHELBERG, DIR. OF FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP. (TICKER: FMBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 324
#90254c0261 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, E DOUGLAS KENNA, DIR. OF FLEET/NORSTAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FNG), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 340
#90254c0262 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, R RICHARD BASTIAN III, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRFD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90254c0263 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, R RICHARD BASTIAN III, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRFD), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90254c0265 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, SAMMY L NEAL, DIR. OF FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRFD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,020.

-30- 324
#90254c0266 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RUSH S DICKSON, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,600.

-30- 307
#90254c0267 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Aug. 30, 1990 date for the stock purchase agreement to be consummated passed without the objective having been attained. Tele-Communications Inc (TICKER: TCOM) and Video Jukebox Network Inc(TICKER: JUKE) continue to negotiate towards the objective.

-30- 479
#90254c0268 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY CONTROL TECHNIQUES USA INC OWNS 513,582 SHARES (50.40%) OF ELECTRONIC CONTROL SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: ELCS) OF FAIRMONT, WV.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 31, 1990, Control Techniques USA Inc. entered into an option agreement pursuant to which Control Techniques USA agreed that prior to Sept. 5, 1990, it would deliver a merger proposal to Electronic Control Systems Inc. providing for a cash payment of $2.43 per share, less any costs associated with the transaction. The option shareholders have agreed to vote their 443,582 shares in favor of the merger and to grant an option to Control Techniques USA Inc. purchase such shares, along with options for an additional 70,000 shares would be exercised by the option shareholders. On Sept. 5, 1990, Control Techniques USA delivered a letter to the board of Electronic Control Systems Inc. setting the expiration of the offer at Sept. 29, 1990 and on Sept. 10 forwarded a form of merger agreement for the board's consideration.

PURPOSE:

Merger.

-30- 1232
#90254c0269 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

S.C. PODARAS OWNS 337,323 SHARES (6.20%) OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP (TICKER: WRO) OF DENVER, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 14, 1990, the company sold its stake in WRO Virginia Corp. S.C. Podaras subsequently resigned as an officer and director of WRO-VA as well as his shares voting control over 200,000 shares in the WRO-VA ESOP.

-30- 536
#90254c0270 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

C.J. PADGETT OWNS 87,000 SHARES (5.30%) OF WINNERS CIRCLE INC (TICKER: WNRS) OF VERNON, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

C.J. Padgett acquired the stock on Aug. 22, 1990 for $435,015.

PURPOSE:

For appreciation.

-30- 415
#90254c0271 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

C.J. PADGETT OWNS 310,000 SHARES (24.70%) OF CONTINENTAL VENTURES INC (TICKER: COVI) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

C.J. Padgett purchased 270,000 shares from Aug. 22 to Sept. 7, 1990 for $1,006,280.

PURPOSE:

For appreciation.

-30- 461
#90254c0273 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The committee delivered on Sept. 7, 1990 consents for 4,200,700 shares, representing 54.3 percent of common stock, to Healthco Int'l Inc. (TICKER: HLCO) to effectuate the removal of the board of Healthco Int'l Inc. On Sept. 6, 1990, an action was commenced seeking a judgement declaring that the current directors have been lawfully removed from office by the shareholders and the committee's nominees elected in their place.

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#90254c0274 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

R. DORSKIND OF CENTRAL ISLIP, NY OWNS 4,593,000 SHARES (19.40%) OF DIGITAL METCOM INC (TICKER: DMET) OF RONKONKOMA, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R. Dorskind owns directly 1,200,000 shares, has a proxy to vote an additional 2,593,000 shares, and has the right to acquire beneficial ownership of an additional 800,000 shares pursuant to options or warrants.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 30, 1990, Digital Metcom Inc. sold 2,500,000 units, each unit consisting of one share of common stock, $.02 par value and one two-year warrant to purchase one share of common stock in a private placement and R. Dorskind purchased 500,000 of such units at a price of $.20 per unit, a total price of $100,000, using personal funds.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 953
#90254c0275 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

A.J. MILLER OWNS 1,654,000 SHARES (7.20%) OF DIGITAL METCOM INC (TICKER: DMET) OF RONKONKOMA, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

A.J. Miller percentage of ownership of Digital Metcom Inc.'s shares decreased upon Digital Metcom Inc.'s issuance of an additional 300,000 shares to one person and 2,500,000 shares pursuant to a private placement.

-30- 529
#90254c0276 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY KELSO MANAGEMENT CO INC OWNS 189,200 SHARES (5.00%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Kelso Management Co. Inc. intend to review continuously each such equity position in Forschner Group Inc. and Kelso Management Co. Inc. may be deemed to be acting together with FIL and others in connection with the acquisition and holding of shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

During the period of July 27, 1990 through Sept. 4, 1990, Kelso Management Co. Inc. purchased 189,180 shares at a price of $5.13 to $9.95 per share.

PURPOSE:

To acquire an equity interest in Forschner Group Inc.

-30- 845
#90254c0277 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY FIDELITY INTL LTD OF BERMUDA OWNS 67,500 SHARES (1.80%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Fidelity International LTD, along with the FMR Investors and Kelso Investors, own a total of 262,039 shares, representing 6.9 percent.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 25 and 26, 1990, FISL and FASST purchased 44,500 and 23,000 shares at a price of $10.01 and $9.71 per share, respectively.

PURPOSE:

To acquire an equity interest in Forschner Group Inc.

-30- 708
#90254c0278 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD OWNS 2,707,000 SHARES (12.98%) OF HENLEY GROUP INC DEL (TICKER: HENG) OF HAMPTON, NH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

During the period of Aug. 27, 1990 through Sept. 7, 1990, Libra Invest & Trade LTD purchased 357,000 shares of common stock at a price of $18.38 to $19.25 per share, or a total price of $6,812,250.

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#90254c0279 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 47

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 6, 1990, Sutton and William Spier filed a motion in the Delaware Court of Chancery for an order awarding fees and expenses in connection with the litigation between them and the company. Prior to filing the motion, representatives of Sutoon had discussed with representatives of the company the possibility of resolving these differences between the parties.

PURPOSE:

Filing of a motion.

-30- 601
#90254c0281 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

M.L. MCDONALD OF DENVER, CO OWNS 210,000 SHARES (3.80%) OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP (TICKER: WRO) OF DENVER, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In his initial report, Mr. McDonald reported beneficial ownership of an additional 300,000 shares of the company's common stock and of those shares, 100,000 shares were owned by Holland & Hart but over which Mr. McDonald had sole voting power through an irrevocable proxy until July 1, 1990; the remaining 200,000 shares are owned by the WRO Virginia Corp. Employee Stock Ownership Plan over which the board of directors of the company, including Mr. McDonald, exercised voting control until Aug. 14, 1990. WRO-VA was a wholly-owned subsidiary of the company until Aug. 14, 1990 when the company sold its stock interest in WRO-VA to a third party and Mr. McDonald resigned as an officer and director of WRO-VA effective as of Aug. 14, 1990. On Aug. 14, 1990, Mr. McDonald ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the company's common stock.

-30- 1207
#90254c0282 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS L P OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,524,500 SHARES (6.34%) OF INTERNATIONAL MICROELECTRONIC PRODUCTS INC (TICKER: IMPX) OF SAN JOSE, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

During the period from July 6, 1990 through Sept. 5, 1990, Institutional Partners LP purchased 404,500 shares at a price of $0.94 to $2.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 593
#90254c0283 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

CO-STEEL INC OF WHITBY, ONTARIO OWNS 2,368,249 SHARES (21.70%) OF TEXAS INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: TXI) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Co-Steel Inc. has acquired 1,216,652 shares in accordance with the provisions of a contingent convertible subordinated debenture entered into on Nov. 25, 1985. The debenture entitled Co-Steel Inc. to a payment on Aug. 29, 1990 of $40 million in partial consideration for the acquisition by Co-Steel Inc. of in 1985 of Texas Industries Inc.'s interest in Chaparral Steel Co. The power to vote the debenture shares is vested with the trustees under a voting trust agreement executed on Aug. 29, 1990 between Robert D. Rogers, Gordon E. Forward and Richard M. Fowler and Co-Steel Inc. Co-Steel Inc. maintains sole dispositive power subject to a right of first refusal agreement entered into on Aug. 29, 1990 between Co-Steel Inc. and Texas Industries Inc.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On May 31, 1990 Co-Steel Inc. received 44,292 shares as a stock dividend.

-30- 1197
#90254c0284 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,276,778 SHARES (6.65%) OF GATX CORP (TICKER: GMT) OF CHICAGO, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 9 and Sept. 6, 1990 Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 184,100 shares and sold 27,200 shares at $19.88 to $46 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 507
#90254c0285 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

M.L. FICKEL OWNS 585,765 SHARES (9.40%) OF SCIENTIFIC NRG INC (TICKER: H.SNRG) OF ANAHEIM, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M.L. Fickel purchased 166,666 shares in an attempt to keep Scientific NRG Inc. from being delisted on NASDAQ due to asset and net worth requirements. Despite the purchase, a revision of the accounting treatment of an inventory repurchase by the company's prior management made compliance with NASDAQ requirements impossible and the company's stock was delisted. Pursuant to a mutual recission agreement dated Aug. 24, 1990, M.L. Fickel's purchase of the 166,666 shares was rescinded and the company cancelled his $50,000 demand promissory note. M.L. Fickel has been appointed to vote as proxy for 358,765 shares owned by Oliver K. Washburn,

a director of the company, but disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares, which are included in the above stake.

-30- 1082
#90254c0286 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

STOREBRAND AMERICA INC OWNS 2,963,100 SHARES (49.90%) OF BELVEDERE CORP (TICKER: BLV) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990, Christiana Holding Co. Inc., on behalf of Storebrand America Inc., extended its offer to merge Christiana into Belvedere Corp. to Oct. 31, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Extension of merger offer.

-30- 534
#90254c0287 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

C.G. SCHIEFELBEIN OWNS 162,603 SHARES (11.20%) OF WATERS INSTRUMENTS INC (TICKER: WTRS) OF ROCHESTER, MN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

C.G. Schiefelbein purchased 10,000 shares on Aug. 29, 1990 for $2.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 454
#90254c0289 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M.D. RATHER OWNS 2,972,000 SHARES (33.00%) OF MACLAND INC (TICKER: MACL) OF TEMPE, AZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M.D. Rather acquired his shares as consideration for his contribution of a business plan to Macland Inc. Macland Inc. commenced an initial public offering of 1,000,000 units on Aug. 27, 1990, with each unit comprised of two shares of common and one common purchase warrant.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares in connection with an initial public offering.

-30- 664
#90254c0290 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY E.H. THOMAS OWNS 2,058,859 SHARES (34.97%) OF RAGEN CORP (TICKER: RAGN) OF NORTH ARLINGTON, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a stock purchase dated Aug. 30, 1990, E.H. Thomas each purchased 500,000 for $1 per share from Ragen Corp. As a result of the purchases, Thomas replaced Ira Lopata as chairman, president and CEO of Ragen Corp., Eugene Lapata resigned as treasurer and Abrishami was elected as a director and president of Ragen Precision Inc. Ira and Eugene Lapata also granted an irrevocable proxy to vote an additional 1,043,859 shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 10, 1990, Thomas transferred by gift 72,000 shares to his adult children and on Aug. 30, 1990, Abrishami sold 10,000 shares at $.38 to $.44 per share.

PURPOSE:

Stock purchase agreement.

-30- 993
#90254c0291 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY PHOENIX PARTNERS OWNS 1,408,591 SHARES (10.33%) OF SUNWARD TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: SUNT) OF SAN DIEGO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 31, 1990, Phoenix Partners purchased 75,000 series A preferred shares for $10 per share, warrants for 562,500 common shares for $7,505 and received 1,408,591 common shares in exchange for its preferred shares held prior to the merger.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 632
#90254c0294 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

J.A. LAMM OWNS 332,888 SHARES (10.10%) OF DATAFLEX CORP (TICKER: DFLX) OF EDISON, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 27, 1990, J.A. Lamm delivered notices to Richard Rose and Gordon J. McLenithan advising them that he had elected to terminate certain stock options that he had previously granted to them pursuant to stock option agreements dated Feb. 28, 1990. Rose had been granted options for 144,000 shares and McLenithan, 96,000 shares.

PURPOSE:

Termination of options.

-30- 677
#90254c0295 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC OF WICHITA, KS OWNS 811,515 SHARES (14.20%) OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO (TICKER: SBP) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Latshaw Enterprises Inc. purchased 142,400 shares from July 10 to Aug. 30, 1990 for $9.13 to $12.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 531
#90254c0296 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:01 that trade in Spear Financial Services Inc.(NASDAQ: SFNS) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 5/8; down 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 370
#90254c0297 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:17 that trade in Above Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: ABVE) has been resumed. The first bid was 7/16; unchanged from the halt and previous close.

-30- 344
#90254c0299 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY L.M. ROSS OWNS 1,698,658 SHARES (14.00%) OF HOTEL INVESTORS CORP & TRUST (TICKER: HOT) OF WOODLAND HILLS, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Registrants have filed a preliminary proxy statement with the SEC and related statements on schedule 14B in connection with the solicitation of proxies for the upcoming annual meetings of Hotel Investors Corp. & Trust in support of the registrants' proposals and nominees for trustees and directors.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 28 through 29, 1990, L.M. Ross purchased 10,800 shares at a price of $3.05 to $3.10 per share.

PURPOSE:

Solicitation of proxies.

-30- 822
#90254c0300 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS L P OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 7,067,900 SHARES (6.85%) OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP (TICKER: NSM) OF SANTA CLARA CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Messrs. Herbert M. Newman and James G. Marquez have ceased to be general partners of the partnerships.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 2, 1990 through Sept. 7, 1990, Institutional Partners LP purchased 1,891,300 shares at a price of $4.38 to $6.35 per share and sold 60,000 shares at a price of $7.27 per share.

PURPOSE:

Transactions in securities.

-30- 742
#90254c0301 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 453,000 SHARES (6.80%) OF SIERRA TUCSON COS INC (TICKER: STSN).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 385
#90254c0302 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 28

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a letter to the chairman and CEO of Lockheed, the president and CEO of NL stated certain of NL's views of Lockheed Corp.(TICKER: LK)'s poison pill or rights agreement.

PURPOSE:

Letter pertaining to company's poison pill or rights agreement.

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#90254c0303 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 21

GROUP LED BY ITM ACQUISITION CORP OWNS 13,250,000 SHARES (44.50%) OF MACK TRUCKS INC (TICKER: MACK) OF ALLENTOWN, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Renault announced on Sept. 11, 1990 that it will begin to mail a supplement to the offer to Mack's shareholders that outlines the merger agreement entered into last week. Renault also extended its offer from Sept. 20 to Sept. 25, 1990.

-30- 578
#90254c0305 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 5, 1990, Mack (TICKER: MACK) and Renault entered into a merger agreement that increases the per share compensation to $6.25 per share. The special committee has determined that the offer is fair and shareholders should tender their shares. A purported class action suit was filed on July

20, 1990 that was subsequently consolidated with the consolidated action seeking to enjoin the offer.

-30- 611
#90254c0306 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOC LP OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 1,664 SHARES (.025%) OF ALLEGHANY CORP (TICKER: Y) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Harris Assoc LP have ceased to own more than 5 percent of Alleghany Corp.'s shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Harris Assoc LP sold 361,316 shares from July 19 to Aug. 28, 1990 for $78 to $86 per share and 208 shares were transferred from Harris accounts on Aug. 10, 1990.

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#90254c0308 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 1,863,000 SHARES (5.30%) OF MENTOR GRAPHICS CORP (TICKER: MENT) OF BEAVERTON, OR.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90254c0309 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - Congress was told today the nation's deposit insurance fund, with a balance of $13.2 billion at the end of 1989 could face an additional drop of $4 billion to $6 billion next year.

The General Accounting Office reviewed 300 banks in its audit of the bank

insurance fund, including the nation's 100 largest banks. It found that 35 banks are in such severe financial condition, that without some form of recapitalization, they are likely to fail in the next year, costing the fund between $4.4 billion and $6.3 billion.

"Not since it was born in the Great Depression has the federal system of deposit insurance for commercial banks faced such a period of danger as it does today," said the GAO report.

The bank deposit insurance fund has sufficient resources to handle anticipated bank failures estimated at a cost of $2 billion in 1990.

But the GAO concluded a worst case scenario suggests over the next few years low levels of reserves coupled with a recession could result in a level of bank failures which exhaust the fund and result in taxpayers assistance.

From 1987 through 1989, the deposit insurance fund fell 28 percent from $18.3 billion to $13.2 billion and its ratio of reserves to deposits fell to an historical low of 70 cents per $100 of deposits.

The Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of of 1989 (FIRREA) has targeted a minimum reserve ratio of $1.25 per $100 of deposits by 1995 but the GAO believes this may be unattainable and insufficient.

"We should not just accept this 1.25 percent," Charles Bowsher, the Comptroller General of the United States, told the Senate Banking Committee. "We are concerned that even if the minimum reserve ratio could be achieved, it would not be sufficent to protect the taxpayers in the event of a recession."

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. recently proposed to increase the annual assessment rates to insured commercial banks from 12 cents per $100 to 19.5 cents per $100, the maximum allowed under FIRREA.

The GAO says other steps are needed in addition to the proposed rate increase to boost the fund's capital position. It urges the Treasury Secretary to determine a reserve ratio target that would protect taxpayers by maintaining the fund in the event of a recession, calls for on-site examinations of problem banks and large banks on an annual basis and seeks a review of accounting procedures so bank management does not have too much discretion in recognizing and determining loss amounts as reported in financial statements.

"Rebuilding the fund and capital of individual banks are top two (priorities)," said Bowsher. "I would not like to say we are in a crisis but I think we are in a stage where timely action is needed."

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#90254c0310 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - Today's weekly auctions of Citicorp Auction (CAPS) Paper set rates of 7.9397% for 91-day paper, up from 7.895% last week, and 7.924% for 182-day paper, up from 7.875% last week.

For the 91-day paper, accepted bids ranged from a low rate of 7.925% to a high rate of 7.94%. A total of $401 million in bids was submitted, of which $50 million was accepted. Citicorp said that 98% of the bids at the high rate were accepted on a pro-rata basis.

For the 182-day paper, accepted bids ranged from a low rate of 7.915% to a high rate of 7.935%. A total of $375 million in bids was submitted, of which $50 million was accepted. Citicorp said that 60% of the bids at the high rate were accepted on a pro-rata basis.

Citicorp will take bids totalling $50 million on new 91-day paper and $50 million on new 182-day paper next Tuesday.

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#90254c0311 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Aspen Leaf Inc.(TICKER: TREE) lost $288,154, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $1.09 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $237,271, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $1.22 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90254c0312 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Rally Ventures Ltd. lost $19,761, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $14,149 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $23,084, or $0.01 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

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#90254c0313 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Summa RX Laboratories (TICKER: SMRX) lost $360,505, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $1.17 million for the quarter ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $16,882, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.42 million for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1989.

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#90254c0314 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Bonray Drilling Corp.(TICKER: BNRY) lost $745,000, or $1.76 per share, on revenues of $7.31 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $488,000, or $1.15 per share, on revenues of $1.87 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90254c0316 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows SFE Technologies (TICKER: SFEM) lost $1.55 million, or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $5.82 million for the quarter ended July 28, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $338,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $8.15 million for the quarter ended July 29, 1989.

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#90254c0317 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ikos Systems Inc.(TICKER: IKOS) earned $649,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $4.84 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $942,000, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $1.76 million for the quarter ended July 1, 1989.

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#90254c0318 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Louis J. Conti, the president and a director of Ajay Sports Inc.(TICKER: AJAY), resigned effective Sept. 6, 1990.

The company has appointed the following officers:

Joseph Hovorka, president; and Robert R. Hebard, secretary, treasurer and chief financial officer. Hovorka and Hebard will constitute the company's board of directors.

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#90254c0319 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows FastComm Communications Corp.'s (TICKER: FSCX) revenues of $1.23 million and net earnings of $161,718 for the first quarter increased by about 150% from the same period in 1989.

The 1989 figures included revenues of $486,120 and a net loss of $598.

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#90254c0320 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Concord Milestone Plus L.P. announced its decision not to participate in the proposed merger of the partnership into Milestone Properties Inc.

The partnership accordingly will not enter into the agreement of merger, as proposed Dec. 28, 1989, and the company will not solicit consents to the merger from the limited partners of the partnership.

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#90254c0321 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Varsity Development Inc. is proposing to offer to sell 15 million shares of its common stock, at $0.02 per share.

The company was organized to engage in the acquisition of any type of assets, properties and business, and primarily to undertake a public offering to create a pool of capital to be used by management to acquire or enter into a business or business opportunity.

It has not been operational since it was incorporated on Dec. 31, 1985, has no specific plan of operation, and has virtually no assets.

If this offering is successful, management will have a "blank check" with respect to investors' funds, since no determination has been made as to how such funds will be used.

Alliance Securities Corp. is underwriting the offering.

Varsity Development Inc. offices are located at 40 South 600 East, Second Floor, Salt Lake City, UT 84102, and its telephone number is (801) 322-0475.

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#90254c0322 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC

shows Zet Resources Inc. is offering to sell up to 2 million shares of its common stock at a cash price of $0.05 per share.

The company is engaged in attempting to acquire assets and properties in one or more as yet unidentified industries, and presently has no specific type of business, asset or property.

The company's address is 3483 South 3170 East, Salt Lake City, UT 84109, and its telephone number is (801) 467-9698.

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#90254c0324 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Winston Financial Inc. is offering to sell 5 million shares of its common stock.

Also offered are 40 million Class A common stock purchase warrants, and 40 million Class B common stock purchase warrants.

One Class A warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of the company's common stock at $0.05 per share during the period ending April 21, 1991.

One Class B warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $0.10 per share during the period ending April 12, 1992.

Eighty million shares of common stock underlying the Class A and Class B warrants are also offered.

The company reports it is in a development stage and has not yet commenced operations.

It was formed April 12, 1988 to acquire a participation interest in one or more business opportunities.

The company's offices are located at Sabana Norte San Jose, Costa Rica, Central America, and its telephone number is (506) 327740.

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#90254c0325 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows United Financial Corp. was authorized effective Aug. 24, 1990 by its board of directors to purchase up to 50,000 shares of its common stock in the open market or in negotiated transactions at such times and such prices as management may decide.

Shares repurchased by the corporation will be reserved for employee benefit plans.

The corporation presently has 2,153,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

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#90254c0326 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Passcard Inc. acquired 1.19 million shares of Lavi Investment, effective Aug. 1, 1990.

This acquisition represents 21.3% of the voting shares.

Consideration for this transaction in the amount of $15,180 was provided by the company's investment banker in the form of a demand loan.

Additionally, Albert N. Esses acquired 3.5 million shares of Lavi, representing 62.7% of the voting shares.

Consideration for this transaction was provided in the amount of $44,820 by the company's investment banker, Hasan, Growney & Co. as a demand loan.

Also on Aug. 1, 1990, David M. Levitt was appointed as chairman of the board of directors and a director of Lavi, and Albert N. Esses was appointed president and director of the company.

Lavi Investment's executive office is located at 17 Battery Place, Suite 2222, New York, NY 10004 and its telephone number is (212) 319-6380.

-30- 1105

#90254c0327 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows LaserMaster Technologies Inc.(TICKER: LMTS), effective June 2, 1990, acquired all the outstanding capital stock of La Societe Anonyme Inc. (LSA).

The company issued 90,000 shares (after adjustment for a 3 for 2 stock split through a dividend payment June 22, 1990) of its common stock to Ronald Subler, Michael Parker and Ann Roe-Hafer, LSA's three shareholders, for all LSA's outstanding common stock.

LaserMaster changed the name of LSA to Digital Typeface Corp.

Immediately before the acquisition by LaserMaster, two shareholders of LSA purchased all LSA's accounts receivable in exchange for cancellation of $310,000 of indebtedness to the company's shareholders and assumption of

substantially all of LSA's other liabilities.

LSA's assets at the time consisted primarily of patents and proprietary rights.

-30- 1048
#90254c0328 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) COMTEX - Citicorp said it will discontinue its weekly commercial paper auctions after next Tuesday's (Sept. 18), noting that consumer deposit growth, balance sheet management and direct placement of commercial paper have eliminated the need for the auctions.

Citicorp currently auctions $100 million per week, divided equally between 91 and 182-day paper. This accounts for less than 1% of its overall funding. In September 1978 when the auction began, the global financial services company auctioned $100 million of 91-day paper every tuesday, accounting for 1.5% of total funding. In the early 1980's, when the commercial paper auction was at the height of its importance to Citicorp, volumes reached $200 million per week and accounted for 2% of total funding.

Since then, consumer deposits have increased significantly in Citicorp's funding mix, reducing the need for higher-cost sources; and balance sheet management has limited asset growth and dependence on traditional funding, particularly through the securitization and sale of credit card receivables, mortgages and other loans.

In its final commercial paper auction next Tuesday, Citicorp will sell $50 million of 91-day and $50 million of 182-day paper.

For Info.: John Maloney (212) 559-4285

-30- 1460
#90254c0329 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows New England Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: NBKC) lost $852,000, or $0.12 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.31 million, or $0.18 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 426
#90254c0330 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Western Standard Corp.(TICKER: WSTD) earned $239,705, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.65 million for the quarter ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $141,223, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.52 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 476
#90254c0332 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Noble Roman's Inc.(TICKER: NROM) announced on Sept. 6, 1990 it earned $11,973, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $2.29 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $84,842, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $1.52 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 493
#90254c0333 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 7, 1990, First Financial Bancorp (TICKER: FFBC) announced the default of several loans by one of the larger commercial lending clients of its lead bank, First National Bank of Southwestern Ohio.

First Southwestern anticipates an immediate charge to earnings of approximately $4.5 million, in order to maintain the present level of the allowance for loan losses.

This action by First Southwestern will result in a negative after tax impact of some $3 million or $0.60 per share on the consolidated earnings of First Financial Bancorp.

-30- 775
#90254c0334 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 5, 1990, Atrix Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: ATRX) appointed Deloitte & Touche as its independent accountants, replacing the firm of Pannell, Kerr Forster.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 881

#90254c0335 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 17, 1990, Walshire Assurance Co.(TICKER: WALS) announced its board of directors approved a stock repurchase program designed to acquire up to 10 percent of the company's issued and outstanding common shares.

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#90254c0336 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Unitog Co.(TICKER: UTOG) earned $948,139, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $34.06 million for the quarter ended July 29, 1990.

This compares with net income of $695,623, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $30.91 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 469

#90254c0337 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Projectavision Inc.(TICKER: PJTV) earned $6,598, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $375,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $220,447, or $0.10 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

-30- 458

#90254c0338 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Varlen Corp.(TICKER: VRLN) earned $2.14 million, or $0.48 per share, on revenues of $52.59 million for the quarter ended July 28, 1990.

This compares with net income of $3.12 million, or $0.69 per share, on revenues of $58.55 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480

#90254c0340 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - P.V. MANNING OF 1913 SACRAMENTO ST, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94109, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,885 SHARES OF DATA SYSTEMS INC. THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 6, 1990.

(DATA SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 215 341-8700)

-30- 399
#90254c0341 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H.K. HAINES OF 1505 APPALOOSA TRAIL, MCHENRY, IL 60050, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF ORTHOPEDIC SERVICES INC.(TICKER: OSII) THROUGH EDWARD D. JONES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 4, 1990.

(ORTHOPEDIC SERVICES INC. TEL: 215 354-9450)

-30- 421
#90254c0342 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B. PAUL OF 1 HAMPTON RD, PURCHASE, NY 10577, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,833 SHARES OF HAWK MARINE POWER INC. THROUGH EMANUEL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 4, 1990.

(HAWK MARINE POWER INC. TEL: 305 932-9230)

-30- 388
#90254c0343 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M. ROSEN OF 1120 OLD COUNTRY RD, PLAINVIEW, NY 11800, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,417 SHARES OF HAWK MARINE POWER INC. THROUGH EMANUEL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 4, 1990.

(HAWK MARINE POWER INC. TEL: 305 932-9230)

-30- 398
#90254c0344 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J. MARTIN FELDMAN OF 20 SOUTHWOODS RD, WOODBURY, NY 11797, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,416 SHARES OF HAWK MARINE POWER INC. THROUGH EMANUEL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 4, 1990.

(HAWK MARINE POWER INC. TEL: 305 932-9230)

-30- 407
#90254c0345 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.W. LANGILL OF 3551 RUFFIN RD #165, SAN DIEGO, CA 92123, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF SUN HARBOR FINANCIAL RESOURCES INC. THROUGH BURNETT GREY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 4, 1990.

(SUN HARBOR FINANCIAL RESOURCES INC. TEL: 619 294-7000)

-30- 452
#90254c0346 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G.G. DEGANO OF 6245 CAMINITO SALADO, SAN DIEGO, CA 92111, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF SUN HARBOR FINANCIAL RESOURCES INC. THROUGH BURNETT GREY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 4, 1990.

(SUN HARBOR FINANCIAL RESOURCES INC. TEL: 619 294-7000)

-30- 451
#90254c0348 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H.K. LEFOLDT JR OF 1226 FERNCREST DR, JACKSON, MS 39211, HAS FILED TO SELL 78,472 SHARES OF HADSON EUROPE INC.(TICKER: HADE) THROUGH GREG FRASCOGNA. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 4, 1990.

(HADSON EUROPE INC. TEL: 405 235-9531)

-30- 409
#90254c0349 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.S. SMITH OF 9045 EAST ALTADENA AVE, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85260, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF BROKEN ARROW PETROLEUM CO.(TICKER: BAPT) THROUGH AMERICAN AEGIS SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 4, 1990.

(BROKEN ARROW PETROLEUM CO. TEL: 602 483-0522)

-30- 443
#90254c0350 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G.G. SMITH OF 256 EAST HAMILTON, SUITE E, CAMPBELL, CA 95008, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,975 SHARES OF HOLOGRAPHIC SYSTEMS INC.9TICKER: HLGH) THROUGH TRI- BRADLEY INVESTMENTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 4, 1990.

(HOLOGRAPHIC SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 370-3910)

-30- 441
#90254c0351 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D. GHELLA OF 5904 EAST IRWIN PLACE, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112, HAS FILED TO SELL 500,000 SHARES OF NORTHERN DANCER CORP. THROUGH RAF FINANCIAL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 4, 1990.

(NORTHERN DANCER CORP. TEL: 714 760-1818)

-30- 406
#90254c0352 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANCIS D R COLEMAN OF 7132 GILLIS RD, VICTOR, NY 14564, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,987 SHARES OF ACC CORP. (TICKER: ACCC) THROUGH EDWARD D JONES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(ACC CORP. TEL: 716 987-3000)

-30- 387
#90254c0353 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL M COOK OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG #1, SUITE 185, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. (TICKER: CMFB) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. TEL: 603 424-9000)

-30- 443
#90254c0354 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - BLAIR D H & CO INC OF 44 WALL STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10005, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,400 SHARES OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(AMERICAN LIST CORP. TEL: 516 466-0602)

-30- 418
#90254c0356 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RODGER E KOLSKY OF 1909 EVVA DR, SCHENECTADY, NY 12303, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF MARROW-TECH INC. (TICKER: MARO) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 05, 1990.

(MARROW-TECH INC. TEL: 914 347-2730)

-30- 406
#90254c0357 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ZESTFUL LTD OF 4444 SOUTH 700 EAST, SUITE 204, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84107, HAS FILED TO SELL 110,000 SHARES OF ALPNET INC. (TICKER: AILP) THROUGH WILSON DAVIS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(ALPNET INC. TEL: 801 265-3300)

-30- 406
#90254c0358 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN G FINN OF 2 BARRY DRIVE, FRAMINGHAM, MA 01701, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(BYTEX CORP. TEL: 508 480-0840)

-30- 387
#90254c0359 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD R MCCRACKEN OF 11 ANGELA DRIVE, LOS ALTOS, CA 94022, HAS

FILED TO SELL 34,000 SHARES OF SILICON GRAPHICS INC. (TICKER: SGI) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(SILICON GRAPHICS INC. TEL: 415 960-1980)

-30- 426
#90254c0360 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DARRYL T BARBE OF 2550 GARCIA AVE, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC (TICKER: SUNW) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC TEL: 415 960-1300)

-30- 419
#90254c0361 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRY L CECCON OF 7 BOND STREET, BOSTON, MA 02118, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CANDELA LASER CORP. (TICKER: CLZR) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(CANDELA LASER CORP. TEL: 508 358-7637)

-30- 411
#90254c0362 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JONATHAN J GOLOVIN OF 49 FAXTON RD, ATHERTON, CA 94027, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(CONSILIUM INC. TEL: 415 691-6100)

-30- 404
#90254c0364 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DE LUXEMBOURG BANQUE OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,610 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 419
#90254c0365 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DARTBURN LTD OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,757 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 408
#90254c0366 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MOHAMMAD A ALARFAJ OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,257 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 416
#90254c0367 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH W CAMERON OF P O BOX 1031, GREAT BAY RD, OSTERVILLE, MA 02655, HAS FILED TO SELL 38,200 SHARES OF FLEXWATT CORP. (TICKER: FWAT) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(FLEXWATT CORP. TEL: 508 291-2000)

-30- 420
#90254c0368 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W E SHERIFF OF 318 APPOMATTOX DR, BRENTWOOD, TN 37027, HAS FILED TO SELL 51,000 SHARES OF ROADWAY MOTOR PLAZAS INC. (TICKER: RDWI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(ROADWAY MOTOR PLAZAS INC. TEL: 716 235-3615)

-30- 436

#90254c0369 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CROWN HENRY EST OF 7733 FORSYTH BLVD, PIERRE LACLEDE CENTER, ST LOUIS, MO 63105, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,500 SHARES OF GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP. (TICKER: GD) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP. TEL: 314 889-8304)

-30- 451
#90254c0370 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN G FINN OF 2 BARRY DRIVE, FRAMINGHAM, MA 01701, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX) THROUGH ADAMS HARKNESS & HILL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(BYTEX CORP. TEL: 508 480-0840)

-30- 389
#90254c0372 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PICKARD ANDERSON & EYRE MERRILL OF TWO PALO ALTO SQ, PALO ALTO, CA 94306, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,390 SHARES OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 05, 1990.

(MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. TEL: 408 720-1700)

-30- 447
#90254c0373 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CATHERINE MULLIGAN OF 1221 HARMON COVE TOWERS, SECAUCUS, NJ 07094, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. (TICKER: PMCX) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. TEL: 517 790-4764)

-30- 427
#90254c0374 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AMERITRUST CO N A TTEE OF 37 WEST BROAD ST, COLUMBUS, OH 43215, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,222 SHARES OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(LANCASTER COLONY CORP. TEL: 614 224-7141)

-30- 445
#90254c0375 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE BRISCOE OF 647 ATLANTIC HILLS AVE, EAGAN, MN 55123, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,000 SHARES OF GRIST MILL CO. (TICKER: GRST) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(GRIST MILL CO. TEL: 612 469-4981)

-30- 402
#90254c0376 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD AKASHI OF 500 NORTH GARFIELD, SUITE 100, MONTEREY PARK, CA 91754, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,686 SHARES OF CANDELA LASER CORP. (TICKER: CLZR) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(CANDELA LASER CORP. TEL: 508 358-7637)

-30- 432
#90254c0377 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD WHITEHEAD OF 143 SOUTHEND AVE, DURHAM, CT 06422, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF SCIENCE MANAGEMENT CORP. (TICKER: SMG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(SCIENCE MANAGEMENT CORP. TEL: 201 647-7000)

-30- 432
#90254c0378 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VALLEY COMPANY INC OF P O BOX 329, ATCHISON, KS 66002, HAS FILED TO

SELL 20,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED POLYMER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: APOS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(ADVANCED POLYMER SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 366-2626)

-30- 442
#90254c0380 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM E TABOR OF 109 WEST HACKNEY RD, GREER, SC 29650, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,680 SHARES OF TABOR ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS INC. (TICKER: TABR) THROUGH R G DICKINSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(TABOR ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS INC. TEL: 803 587-8000)

-30- 446
#90254c0381 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARVEY KRIEGER OF 12 VAUGHN DRIVE, RAMSEY, NJ 07446, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF WARNER COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: WCP) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(WARNER COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 201 692-9400)

-30- 429
#90254c0382 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT BEKOFF OF 17 NURMI DR, FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,338 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 392
#90254c0383 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RALPH WANGER OF 2 NORTH LASALLE ST, SUITE 500, CHICAGO, IL 60602, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF TRIMEDYNE INC. (TICKER: TMED) THROUGH HARRIS ASSOCIATES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(TRIMEDYNE INC. TEL: 714 259-1988)

-30- 405
#90254c0384 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JANICE P AGRON OF 6950 EAST BELLEVIEW AVE #201, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80100, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN CREDIT OPTICAL INC. (TICKER: ACOI) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(AMERICAN CREDIT OPTICAL INC. TEL: 817 332-4008)

-30- 457
#90254c0385 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DIXIE BEVERAGE OF SUMTER PS TR OF 4901 TOWNE CENTRE RD STE 203, SAGINAW, MI 48604, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,197 SHARES OF POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. (TICKER: PMCX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. TEL: 517 790-4764)

-30- 467
#90254c0386 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NICHOLAS P LEVENTIS OF 107 RODBOROUGH RD, COLUMBIA, SC 29212, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. (TICKER: PMCX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. TEL: 803 781-7265)

-30- 428
#90254c0388 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES A SCHULTZ OF 5918 N RIDGECREST DR, PEORIA, IL 61615, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,104 SHARES OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(RLI CORP. TEL: 309 692-1000)

-30- 389
#90254c0389 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERRY L MCCAULEY OF 4611 S 134TH PLACE, TUKWILA, WA 98168, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASS (TICKER: IDEA) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04 1990.

(INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASS TEL: 206 244-6100)

-30- 466
#90254c0390 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - YURY SMOLYANSKY OF 7625 N AUSTIN ST, SKOKIE, IL 60076, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF LIFEWAY FOODS INC. (TICKER: LWAY) THROUGH PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(LIFEWAY FOODS INC. TEL: 312 967-1010)

-30- 415
#90254c0391 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK E BLAZEVIC OF 1798 BRANDYWINE DR, BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48304, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI) THROUGH ADVANTAGE INV SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. TEL: 313 362-2390)

-30- 459
#90254c0392 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WINTERFELT ROLF & JEAN FAMILY TR OF 5777 WEST CENTURY BLVD, SUITE 280,
K LOS ANGELES, CA 92260, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AVON RENT-A-CAR & TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: AVON) THROUGH GENERAL SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(AVON RENT-A-CAR & TRUCK CORP. TEL: 213 645-7645)

-30- 506
#90254c0393 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD J ALLEN OF 165 CHESTNUT ST, NEEDHAM, MA 02192, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,385 SHARES OF POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. (TICKER: PMCX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. TEL: 517 790-4764)

-30- 413
#90254c0394 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANGELA FENNESSY OF 537 ORANGE GROVE AVE S, PASADENA, CA 91030, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH SECURITY PACIFIC INVTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 442
#90254c0396 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRADFORD S LOVETTE OF 431 SEABREEZE AVE, PALM BEACH, FL 33486, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,025 SHARES OF TSS LTD. (TICKER: TSSL) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(TSS LTD. TEL: 201 265-2320)

-30- 391
#90254c0397 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUSAN M RICHMAN OF 3625 REGAL PLACE #13, LOS ANGELES, CA 90068, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,700 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 439
#90254c0398 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE JANZENA OF 6001 N 91ST ST, MILWAUKEE, WI 53225, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF COMMERCE GROUP CORP. (TICKER: CGCO) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(COMMERCE GROUP CORP. TEL: 414 462-5310)

-30- 408
#90254c0399 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INGRID UROSHEVICH OF 2505 FLEETWOOD AVE, CINCINNATI, OH 45211, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF ALPHA SOLARCO INC. (TICKER: ASCO) THROUGH NATIONAL SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(ALPHA SOLARCO INC. TEL: 513 771-1690)

-30- 423
#90254c0400 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN J KEARY JR OF 75 MAPLE AVE, TROY, NY 12180, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(MEGA GROUP INC. TEL: 518 271-6044)

-30- 394
#90254c0401 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, J.M. ALDERSON IV, DIR. OF ALLEGHENY BANKSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 450 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,190.

-30- 308
#90254c0402 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 8, 1990, W.L. GRIFFITH, DIR. OF ALLEGHENY BANKSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,115.

-30- 306
#90254c0404 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 16, 1990, R.H. PACK, DIR. OF ALLEGHENY BANKSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,608.

-30- 298
#90254c0405 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, J.G. AKERS, OFFICER OF F & M BANCORP. (MARYLAND) SOLD 723 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,247.

-30- 297
#90254c0406 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, R.C. BENNA, DIR. OF F & M BANCORP (MARYLAND) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 295
#90254c0407 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, A.H. COHEN, DIR. OF F & M BANCORP. (MARYLAND) BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,166.

-30- 298
#90254c0408 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, J.F. SCARPELLI SR, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED CORP. BOUGHT 118 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,836.

-30- 297
#90254c0409 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, C.B. WARD, OFFICER OF PENNS WOODS BANCORP SOLD 240 SHARES AT $51.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90254c0410 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 3, 1990, KINDER INVESTMENTS LP, BEN. OWNER OF PARLIAMENT HILL CORP BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90254c0412 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, KINDER INVESTMENTS LP, BEN. OWNER OF PARLIAMENT HILL CORP BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,144,286.

-30- 333
#90254c0413 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, J.P. PENHUNE, DIV. OFFICER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,812.

-30- 348
#90254c0414 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 8, 1990, N.M. ELLIOTT, DIR. OF TOWER BANCORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,867.

-30- 296
#90254c0415 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, D.H. CALLAWAY, DIR. OF FIRST OF MICHIGAN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: FMG), SOLD 160 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90254c0416 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, D.H. CALLAWAY, DIR. OF FIRST OF MICHIGAN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: FMG), SOLD 140 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 74,660.

-30- 331
#90254c0417 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF E. HINES LUMBER CO.(TICKER: HINE) BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 188,726.

-30- 339
#90254c0418 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, P.M. BELL, VP OF NORTON CO.(TICKER: NRT) SOLD 8,010 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2.

-30- 276
#90254c0420 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, E.R. VARET, DIR. OF KETEMA INC. (TICKER: KTM), BOUGHT 28,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,018.

-30- 295
#90254c0421 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 20, 1990, A.J. HAYES, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: HNIS) (DELAWARE) BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,500.

-30- 324
#90254c0422 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, A.J. HAYES, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: HNIS) (DELAWARE) SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90254c0423 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, A.J. HAYES, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: HNIS) (DELAWARE) BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90254c0424 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 2, 1990, W.H. NEHILL, SHAREHOLDER OF EXOLON-ESK CO. (TICKER: EXOL) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90254c0425 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, W.H. NEHILL, SHAREHOLDER OF EXOLON-ESK CO. (TICKER: EXOL) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,836.

-30- 312
#90254c0426 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, R.E. CHRISTOPHER JR, DIR. OF NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC (VIRGINIA) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,626.

-30- 320
#90254c0428 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 30, 1988, AMERICAN RANGER INC, BEN. OWNER OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 477,260 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,098,700.

-30- 346
#90254c0429 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, W GREGG KERR, DIR. OF AUTOCLAVE ENGINEERS INC.

(TICKER: ACLV), BOUGHT 290 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,869.

-30- 314
#90254c0430 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM P GARRISON, OFFICER OF ARKANSAS FREIGHTWAYS CORP. (TICKER: AFWY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,242.

-30- 336
#90254c0431 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JOHN Y SCHREYER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERADA HESS CORP. (TICKER: AHC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $48.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 330
#90254c0432 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, TIM S GLASSETT, VP OF AHMANSON (H.F.) & CO. (TICKER: AHM), BOUGHT 540 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 311
#90254c0433 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HERBERT A BLY, OFFICER OF AMERICAN HOME PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: AHP), SOLD 956 SHARES AT $50.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90254c0434 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICANA HOTELS & REALTY CORP. (TICKER: AHR), SOLD 3,400 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324

#90254c0436 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, EDWIN M HALKYARD, OFFICER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $33.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 319
#90254c0437 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT C WINTERS, DIR. OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 309
#90254c0438 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WILLIAM H CLAPP, DIR. OF ALASKA AIR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ALK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90254c0439 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, WILLIAM H CLAPP, DIR. OF ALASKA AIR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ALK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,369.

-30- 317
#90254c0440 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DAVID G JACKSON, CHAIRMAN OF ALTOS COMPUTER SYSTEMS (TICKER: ALTO), SOLD 2,463,266 SHARES AT $8.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90254c0441 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, PETER M GUTMANN, DIR. OF AMERICAN CLAIMS EVALUATION INC. (TICKER: AMCE), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING

INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600.

-30- 336
#90254c0442 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, EDWARD I TISHELMAN, OFFICER OF AMERICAN CLAIMS EVALUATION INC. (TICKER: AMCE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,800.

-30- 350
#90254c0444 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, EUGENE R WHITE, DIR. OF AMDAHL CORP. (TICKER: AMH), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 222,672.

-30- 301
#90254c0445 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GEORGE A SCHAPIRO, PRES. OF ANDROS ANALYZERS INC. (TICKER: ANDY), SOLD 27,000 SHARES AT $7.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 139,144.

-30- 327
#90254c0446 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $16.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90254c0447 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 18,300 SHARES AT $17.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90254c0448 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 6,700 SHARES AT $17.02 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90254c0449 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $16.89 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90254c0450 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 47,300 SHARES AT $17.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90254c0452 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 22,700 SHARES AT $17.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90254c0453 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 3,900 SHARES AT $17.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90254c0454 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $17.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90254c0455 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 23,000 SHARES AT $17.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90254c0456 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $17.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90254c0457 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 82,000 SHARES AT $17.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90254c0458 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $17.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90254c0460 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $17.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90254c0461 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90254c0462 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 4,400 SHARES AT $16.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90254c0463 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 25,600 SHARES AT $16.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90254c0464 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 48,000 SHARES AT $16.54 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90254c0465 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 54,000 SHARES AT $16.54 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90254c0466 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 53,000 SHARES AT $16.54 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90254c0468 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, DIR. OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $16.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 555,438.

-30- 302

#90254c0469 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JACK W EVERSULL, OFFICER OF ATMOS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: ATO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,048.

-30- 316
#90254c0470 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MARY A SAWICKI, VP OF ATMOS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: ATO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 512.

-30- 302
#90254c0471 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, STANLEY SCHMOLLER, VP OF ANDOVER TOGS INC. (TICKER: ATOG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 310
#90254c0472 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RICHARD B ESSER, VP OF AMAX GOLD INC. (TICKER: AU), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90254c0473 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PETER C JAQUITH, DIR. OF AURA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AURA), SOLD 45,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,368,595.

-30- 317
#90254c0474 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, KIRK D BELL, VP OF AVALON CORP. (TICKER: AVAL), SOLD

40,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90254c0476 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, THOMAS P BURNS, OFFICER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90254c0477 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, THOMAS P BURNS, OFFICER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,900.

-30- 331
#90254c0478 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT L RAIN, VP OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 12,998 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90254c0479 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SCOTT E LIPSKY, OFFICER OF BABBAGE'S INC. (TICKER: BBGS), SOLD 550 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90254c0480 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, EDWIN L HEER, OFFICER OF BERKLEY (W.R.) CORP. (TICKER: BKLY), SOLD 3,871 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,355.

-30- 315
#90254c0481 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, EUGENE L BARNETT, CHAIRMAN OF THE BRAND COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BRAN), SOLD 1,436 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,318.

-30- 330
#90254c0482 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, GARY L WILSON, VP OF BELL SAVINGS HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: BSBX), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 314
#90254c0484 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GERALD T FERRARI, VP OF BAY VIEW CAPITAL CORP. (DEL) (TICKER: BVFS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,400.

-30- 332
#90254c0485 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JOHN J DILL, VP OF CONAGRA INC. (TICKER: CAG), SOLD 880 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,497.

-30- 285
#90254c0486 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JAMES W WOGSLAND, DIR. OF CATERPILLAR INC. (TICKER: CAT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $45.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,607.

-30- 307
#90254c0487 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, SHELDON M SCHENKLER, VP OF CAMBEX CORP. (TICKER: CBEX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 301
#90254c0488 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, HAROLD W JANEWAY, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: CBNH), BOUGHT 51,249 SHARES AT $2.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,249.

-30- 334
#90254c0489 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOHN H MULLIN III, DIR. OF CRYSTAL BRANDS INC. (TICKER: CBR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,500.

-30- 316
#90254c0490 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOHN H MULLIN III, DIR. OF CRYSTAL BRANDS INC. (TICKER: CBR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 317
#90254c0492 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, THOMAS H MATSON, VP OF COMMODORE INTERNATIONAL LTD. (TICKER: CBU), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 313
#90254c0493 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DENNIS O GREEN, OFFICER OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 293
#90254c0494 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DAVID BEARMAN, VP OF CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. (TICKER: CDIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 318
#90254c0495 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RUSSELL A GIRARD, VP OF CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. (TICKER: CDIC), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90254c0496 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RUSSELL A GIRARD, VP OF CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. (TICKER: CDIC), SOLD 817 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,493.

-30- 321
#90254c0497 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ANTHONY D WOO, VP OF CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. (TICKER: CDIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90254c0498 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ANTHONY D WOO, VP OF CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. (TICKER: CDIC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,075.

-30- 315
#90254c0500 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LAWRENCE W EARL, DIR. OF CHARTER FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK (VA) (TICKER: CHFD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,597.

-30- 341
#90254c0501 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LAWRENCE W EARL, DIR. OF CHARTER FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK (VA) (TICKER: CHFD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,597.

-30- 343
#90254c0502 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, SUN EQUITIES CORP, BEN. OWNER OF COMPUTER MEMORIES INC. (TICKER: CMIN), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $1.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,717,000.

-30- 340
#90254c0503 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROGER L HEADRICK, DIR. OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK), BOUGHT 850 SHARES AT $39.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 323
#90254c0504 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DANA D GLASGO, VP OF CINCINNATI MICROWAVE INC. (TICKER: CNMW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.48 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,866.

-30- 320
#90254c0505 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LEOPOLD SWERGOLD, SHAREHOLDER OF CONTINENTAL MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CONT), SOLD 4,304 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,000.

-30- 357

#90254c0506 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FRED C MEENDSEN, VP OF CPC INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CPC), SOLD 930 SHARES AT $77.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90254c0508 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $42.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90254c0509 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 4,900 SHARES AT $42.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90254c0510 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), SOLD 444 SHARES AT $42.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90254c0511 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 16,200 SHARES AT $41.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90254c0512 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF

CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90254c0513 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $38.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90254c0514 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, THOMAS G HOOPER, OFFICER OF CORE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 650.

-30- 304
#90254c0516 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HAROLD M MARKO, CHAIRMAN OF CORE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 391,500.

-30- 312
#90254c0517 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HAROLD M MARKO, CHAIRMAN OF CORE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 74,000.

-30- 314
#90254c0518 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, LAWRENCE J MURPHY, OFFICER OF CORE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 308
#90254c0519 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RICHARD T WALSH, PRES. OF CORE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,902.

-30- 305
#90254c0520 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN TARABA, VP OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 300
#90254c0521 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, TONY L MIHALOVICH, OFFICER OF WHITE (DAVID) INC. (TICKER: DAWH), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 677.

-30- 317
#90254c0522 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CATHERINE K WILBER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DRUG EMPORIUM INC. (TICKER: DEMP), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $9.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90254c0524 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, M JOSEPH CANAVAN, DIR. OF DIME FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DIBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,350.

-30- 316
#90254c0525 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DAVID L HIGGINS, PRES. OF DVI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVIC), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 249,500.

-30- 319
#90254c0526 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, DAVID C CUNNINGHAM, VP OF FIRST ALBANY COS. (TICKER: FACT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90254c0527 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ALAN P GOLDBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST ALBANY COS. (TICKER: FACT), BOUGHT 8,450 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 176,687.

-30- 337
#90254c0528 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MICHAEL R LINDBURG, OFFICER OF FIRST ALBANY COS. (TICKER: FACT), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,365.

-30- 323
#90254c0529 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MICHAEL R LINDBURG, OFFICER OF FIRST ALBANY COS. (TICKER: FACT), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90254c0530 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MICHAEL R LINDBURG, OFFICER OF FIRST ALBANY COS. (TICKER: FACT), BOUGHT 149 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90254c0532 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, HURLEY C TURNER JR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 468 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,336.

-30- 324
#90254c0533 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, VICTOR F CONDELLO, OFFICER OF FIRST EMPIRE STATE CORP. (TICKER: FES), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $53.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90254c0534 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, VICTOR F CONDELLO, OFFICER OF FIRST EMPIRE STATE CORP. (TICKER: FES), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $53.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 328
#90254c0535 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, FRANCIS X BOSSLE, VP OF USF & G CORP. (TICKER: FG), BOUGHT 130 SHARES AT $18.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 475.

-30- 290
#90254c0536 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM J D SOMERVILLE JR, VP OF USF & G CORP. (TICKER: FG), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,911.

-30- 307
#90254c0537 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, INGER J FAIR, BEN. OWNER OF FAIR, ISAAC & CO.

(TICKER: FICI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,104,448.

-30- 323
#90254c0538 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FAIR REVOCABLE TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FAIR, ISAAC & CO. (TICKER: FICI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,104,448.

-30- 334
#90254c0540 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, THOMAS J ENGLISH, VP OF FEDERAL-MOGUL CORP. (TICKER: FMO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0541 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THOMAS J ENGLISH, VP OF FEDERAL-MOGUL CORP. (TICKER: FMO), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 306
#90254c0542 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, KENNETH G YOUNGER, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90254c0543 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, KENNETH G YOUNGER, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,080.

-30- 312

#90254c0544 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES H MILLIS, DIR. OF FIRST WACHOVIA CORP. (TICKER: FW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,632.

-30- 309
#90254c0545 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT TAFT JR, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CO. (TICKER: GACC), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90254c0546 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROBERT TAFT JR, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CO. (TICKER: GACC), BOUGHT 1,650 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 337
#90254c0548 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 410,049.

-30- 369
#90254c0549 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JAMES W OBRIEN, OFFICER OF GENESCO INC. (TICKER: GCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 303
#90254c0550 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, HARRIS J ASHTON, CHAIRMAN OF GENERAL HOST CORP.

(TICKER: GH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 884,409.

-30- 318
#90254c0551 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, HARRIS J ASHTON, CHAIRMAN OF GENERAL HOST CORP. (TICKER: GH), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,872.

-30- 320
#90254c0552 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PHILIP B HARLEY, DIR. OF GENERAL HOST CORP. (TICKER: GH), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,000.

-30- 312
#90254c0553 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT L HARVEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GIANT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,945.

-30- 327
#90254c0554 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DOUGLAS A CLARKE, DIR. OF GLENFED INC. (TICKER: GLN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,109.

-30- 301
#90254c0556 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, MARVIN M SPEISER, CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH-CHEM CORP. (TICKER: HCH), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90254c0557 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MARVIN M SPEISER, CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH-CHEM CORP. (TICKER: HCH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90254c0558 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MARVIN M SPEISER, CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH-CHEM CORP. (TICKER: HCH), BOUGHT 16,900 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0559 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MARVIN M SPEISER, CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH-CHEM CORP. (TICKER: HCH), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90254c0560 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MARVIN M SPEISER, CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH-CHEM CORP. (TICKER: HCH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90254c0561 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MARVIN M SPEISER, CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH-CHEM CORP. (TICKER: HCH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90254c0562 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MARVIN M SPEISER, CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH-CHEM CORP. (TICKER: HCH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90254c0564 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES R MCLEAN, DIR. OF HOME FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HFET), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,549.

-30- 316
#90254c0565 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CHARLES E PARKER, DIR. OF HOME FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HFET), BOUGHT 290 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90254c0566 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CHARLES E PARKER, DIR. OF HOME FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HFET), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,179.

-30- 313
#90254c0567 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, KLEMETT L BELT JR, VP OF HORIZON HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: HHC), BOUGHT 66,667 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90254c0568 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ROBERT D CARL III, CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $10.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 607,750.

-30- 322
#90254c0569 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, KEVIN DOW, OFFICER OF HEALTH-MOR INC. (TICKER: HMI),

BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 295
#90254c0570 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, H ROBERT SHARBAUGH, DIR. OF HERSHEY FOODS CORP. (TICKER: HSY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $38.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90254c0572 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DALE MAYNARD SKURDAHL, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP. (TICKER: I), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,748.

-30- 345
#90254c0573 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RONALD D ANDERSON, VP OF INTERNATIONAL FLAVORS & FRAG"R"ANCES INC. (TICKER: IFF), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $71.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90254c0574 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RONALD D ANDERSON, VP OF INTERNATIONAL FLAVORS & FRAG"R"ANCES INC. (TICKER: IFF), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $71.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,996.

-30- 345
#90254c0575 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, HARRIS K WESTON, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL HOLLY CORP. (TICKER: IHK), BOUGHT 225 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90254c0576 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, HARRIS K WESTON, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL HOLLY CORP. (TICKER: IHK), BOUGHT 675 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,170,574.

-30- 330
#90254c0577 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PIERCE LOWREY JR, CHAIRMAN OF INFORMATION MANAGEMENT TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: IMTK), BOUGHT 147,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 666,382.

-30- 383
#90254c0578 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PIERCE LOWREY JR, CHAIRMAN OF INFORMATION MANAGEMENT TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: IMTK), BOUGHT 126,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 775,994.

-30- 385
#90254c0580 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, R SCOTT FETNER, CHAIRMAN OF IOWA NATIONAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: INBS), BOUGHT 210 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 338
#90254c0581 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ERLING A SCHMIESING, VP OF IOWA NATIONAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: INBS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,673.

-30- 333
#90254c0582 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ERNST W WINKLER, VP OF INSITUFORM EAST INC. (TICKER: INEI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90254c0583 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ERNST W WINKLER, VP OF INSITUFORM EAST INC. (TICKER: INEI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,100.

-30- 308
#90254c0584 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOHN D ERNST, OFFICER OF INTERMET CORP. (TICKER: INMT), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90254c0585 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN D ERNST, OFFICER OF INTERMET CORP. (TICKER: INMT), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90254c0586 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN D ERNST, OFFICER OF INTERMET CORP. (TICKER: INMT), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90254c0588 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90254c0589 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $2.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90254c0590 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 480,000 SHARES AT $1.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90254c0591 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $2.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90254c0592 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90254c0593 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 5,750 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90254c0594 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90254c0596 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,150 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,279,541.

-30- 362
#90254c0597 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 02, 1990, JOHN H MOXLEY III, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90254c0598 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 05, 1990, JOHN H MOXLEY III, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90254c0599 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 25, 1990, JOHN H MOXLEY III, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 289
#90254c0600 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, JOHN H MOXLEY III, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 289
#90254c0601 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JOHN H MOXLEY III, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX),

BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 291
#90254c0602 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN H MOXLEY III, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 290
#90254c0604 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DANIEL SIMPSON, VP OF BAKER (J.) INC. (TICKER: JBAK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,250.

-30- 299
#90254c0605 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 56,411 SHARES AT $23.24 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90254c0606 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 22,900 SHARES AT $22.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90254c0607 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 28,866 SHARES AT $23.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90254c0608 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 11,400 SHARES AT $23.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90254c0609 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $22.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90254c0610 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 9,255 SHARES AT $23.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90254c0612 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 25,400 SHARES AT $23.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90254c0613 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 29,184 SHARES AT $23.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90254c0614 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90254c0615 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ALBERT Z PRAW, VP OF KAUFMAN & BROAD HOME CORP. (TICKER: KBH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 912.

-30- 311
#90254c0616 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, ELISABETH M CONSTON, SHAREHOLDER OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 23,429 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90254c0617 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, ELISABETH M CONSTON, SHAREHOLDER OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 250,963 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90254c0618 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, SHIRLEY CONSTON, SHAREHOLDER OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 47,318 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90254c0620 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, SHIRLEY CONSTON, SHAREHOLDER OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 8,732 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90254c0621 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, SHIRLEY CONSTON, SHAREHOLDER OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 93,532 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90254c0622 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, STUART F CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 23,429 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90254c0623 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, STUART F CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 8,732 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90254c0624 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, STUART F CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 250,963 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90254c0625 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, STUART F CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 93,532 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90254c0626 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CYNTHIA C SAVETT, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 23,429 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90254c0628 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CYNTHIA C SAVETT, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 250,963 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90254c0629 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CYNTHIA C SAVETT, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 93,532 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90254c0630 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RONALD L HOOSER, DIR. OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,864.

-30- 332
#90254c0631 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RONALD L HOOSER, DIR. OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 191,155.

-30- 335
#90254c0632 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HOWARD B LANSAW, OFFICER OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,560.

-30- 343
#90254c0633 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, HOWARD B LANSAW, OFFICER OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,152.

-30- 341
#90254c0634 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DONNA D MOORE, OFFICER OF KEYSTONE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: KII), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,212.

-30- 319
#90254c0636 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 98,706.

-30- 343
#90254c0637 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90254c0638 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,207.

-30- 345
#90254c0639 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FRANCIS M HIPP, CHAIRMAN OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $46.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 145,016.

-30- 311
#90254c0640 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, W HAYNE HIPP, PRES. OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $46.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90254c0641 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, W HAYNE HIPP, PRES. OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $47.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90254c0642 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, W HAYNE HIPP, PRES. OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $46.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90254c0644 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN F BURTON, OFFICER OF LEGENT CORP. (TICKER: LGNT), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,165.

-30- 303
#90254c0645 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LEONARD BOXER, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90254c0646 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, LEONARD BOXER, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,611,912.

-30- 314
#90254c0647 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM H MCNEAR, CHAIRMAN OF LAKELAND FIRST FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: LLSL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,682.

-30- 355
#90254c0648 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ROBERT C VANDERBURG, DIR. OF LAKELAND FIRST FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: LLSL), BOUGHT 575 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,496.

-30- 350
#90254c0649 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1990, LIONEL E CROTIN, DIV. OFFICER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90254c0650 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, LIONEL E CROTIN, DIV. OFFICER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,000.

-30- 339
#90254c0652 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $29.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0653 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 25,533 SHARES AT $27.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0654 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $26.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0655 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $26.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0656 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $27.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90254c0657 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90254c0658 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 11,200 SHARES AT $29.65 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0660 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $28.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90254c0661 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 798 SHARES AT $26.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90254c0662 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $27.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0663 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $25.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90254c0664 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0665 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $23.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0666 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $21.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90254c0668 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $23.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90254c0669 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $23.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90254c0670 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90254c0671 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $23.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0672 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,310,025.

-30- 338
#90254c0673 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT N BLAIR, VP OF LSI LOGIC CORP. (TICKER: LSI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,636.

-30- 296
#90254c0674 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SHARON S PETERSON, OFFICER OF LAKE SHORE BANCORP INC

(TICKER: LSNB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 690.

-30- 325
#90254c0676 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN D PRAVDICA, OFFICER OF MIDDLEBY CORP. (TICKER: MBY), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 306
#90254c0677 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GEORGE W BUNN III, DIR. OF MARINE CORP. (IL) (TICKER: MCOR), BOUGHT 259 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 185,785.

-30- 306
#90254c0678 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, MARILYN O MCALEAR, DIR. OF MID-AM INC. (TICKER: MIAM), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,985.

-30- 297
#90254c0679 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, TERRY D GILES, VP OF MICROAGE INC (TICKER: MICA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90254c0680 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, TERRY D GILES, VP OF MICROAGE INC (TICKER: MICA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 254

#90254c0681 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, TERRY D GILES, VP OF MICROAGE INC (TICKER: MICA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 289
#90254c0682 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, TERRY D GILES, VP OF MICROAGE INC (TICKER: MICA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90254c0684 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, SPENCER G POPE, DIR. OF MINERS NATIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: MNBC), BOUGHT 430 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,856.

-30- 332
#90254c0685 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MODINE MANUF CO ESOIP, BEN. OWNER OF MODINE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: MODI), BOUGHT 307 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90254c0686 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MODINE MANUF CO ESOIP, BEN. OWNER OF MODINE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: MODI), BOUGHT 27,812 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90254c0687 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MODINE MANUF CO ESOIP, BEN. OWNER OF MODINE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: MODI), SOLD 11,816 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90254c0688 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT W GALVIN, DIR. OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $73.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90254c0689 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CLARENCE A ABRAMSON, OFFICER OF MERCK & CO. (TICKER: MRK), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $85.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,234.

-30- 309
#90254c0690 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ELEANOR W MORTON, OFFICER OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90254c0692 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT C STEMPEL, DIR. OF NBD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $26.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 304
#90254c0693 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN R MASTANDREA, PRES. OF NDE ENVIRONMENTAL CORP. (TICKER: NDEC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,226,052.

-30- 334
#90254c0694 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, HANS MUELLER, PRES. OF NOVA PHARMACEUTICAL CORP.

(TICKER: NOVX), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,950.

-30- 325
#90254c0695 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, NORMAN H OKSMAN, VP OF NOVA PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. (TICKER: NOVX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,544.

-30- 323
#90254c0696 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HOWARD ARVEY, DIR. OF NUTMEG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NUTM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 303
#90254c0697 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, THOMAS R HIX, OFFICER OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER), SOLD 24,500 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90254c0698 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, THOMAS R HIX, OFFICER OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER), SOLD 30,917 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,000.

-30- 330
#90254c0700 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN M WELLS, DIR. OF ONE VALLEY BANCORP OF WEST VIRGINIA INC. (TICKER: OVWV), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313

#90254c0701 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN M WELLS, DIR. OF ONE VALLEY BANCORP OF WEST VIRGINIA INC. (TICKER: OVWV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,930.

-30- 352
#90254c0702 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, GEORGE WEISSMAN, DIR. OF PARAMOUNT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: PCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90254c0703 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, GEORGE WEISSMAN, DIR. OF PARAMOUNT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: PCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $35.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 333
#90254c0704 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT E MILLER, OFFICER OF PENWEST LTD. (TICKER: PENW), BOUGHT 180 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,880.

-30- 302
#90254c0705 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HARRY H WARNER, DIR. OF PULASKI FURNITURE CORP. (TICKER: PLFC), BOUGHT 874 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,524.

-30- 316
#90254c0706 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES S PASMAN JR, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP.

(TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 314
#90254c0708 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WALTER J SALMON, DIR. OF PROMUS COS INC. (TICKER: PRI), SOLD 151 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 148.

-30- 300
#90254c0709 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, L MARK NEWMAN, DIR. OF PRICE/STERN/SLOAN INC. (TICKER: PSSP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90254c0710 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, L MARK NEWMAN, DIR. OF PRICE/STERN/SLOAN INC. (TICKER: PSSP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90254c0711 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, L MARK NEWMAN, DIR. OF PRICE/STERN/SLOAN INC. (TICKER: PSSP), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 227,750.

-30- 320
#90254c0712 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RUDI G KLOTZ, DIR. OF PARKVALE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PVSA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 318

#90254c0713 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, STEVEN R CARLIN, DIR. OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90254c0714 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, STEVEN R CARLIN, DIR. OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90254c0716 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, STEVEN R CARLIN, DIR. OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90254c0717 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, STEVEN R CARLIN, DIR. OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90254c0718 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, STEVEN R CARLIN, DIR. OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,900.

-30- 309
#90254c0719 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDWARD VILLANUEVA, DIR. OF RICHFOOD HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: RCHF), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 328
#90254c0720 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, EDWARD VILLANUEVA, DIR. OF RICHFOOD HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: RCHF), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 327
#90254c0721 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, SAUL P STEINBERG, CHAIRMAN OF RELIANCE GROUP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: REL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90254c0722 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, SAUL P STEINBERG, CHAIRMAN OF RELIANCE GROUP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: REL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90254c0724 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, SAUL P STEINBERG, CHAIRMAN OF RELIANCE GROUP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: REL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90254c0725 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, SAUL P STEINBERG, CHAIRMAN OF RELIANCE GROUP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: REL), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90254c0726 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, SAUL P STEINBERG, CHAIRMAN OF RELIANCE GROUP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: REL), SOLD 19,900 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE,

BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,853,850.

-30- 350
#90254c0727 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FRED SCHWECKE, OFFICER OF RELM COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: RGCY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,500.

-30- 330
#90254c0728 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PATRICK J BAGLEY, VP OF ROLLINS TRUCK LEASING CORP. (TICKER: RLC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,836.

-30- 321
#90254c0729 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMBOL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $10.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90254c0730 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMBOL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 5,900 SHARES AT $10.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90254c0732 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMBOL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $10.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90254c0733 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMBOL
TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $9.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90254c0734 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMBOL
TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $10.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90254c0735 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMBOL
TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 7,300 SHARES AT $8.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90254c0736 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMBOL
TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90254c0737 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMBOL
TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 6,900 SHARES AT $8.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90254c0738 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMBOL
TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 28,100 SHARES AT $8.11 PER SHARE,
BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,750,734.

-30- 359
#90254c0740 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RONALD H HOFFMAN, VP OF STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: SDRC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 335
#90254c0741 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, BRUCE P BRICKNER, CHAIRMAN OF DEKALB GENETICS CORP. (TICKER: SEED), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 326
#90254c0742 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90254c0743 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90254c0744 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90254c0745 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90254c0746 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90254c0748 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 460,632.

-30- 337
#90254c0749 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, BYRNE A LITSCHGI, CHAIRMAN OF SL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SL), BOUGHT 14,700 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90254c0750 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, BYRNE A LITSCHGI, CHAIRMAN OF SL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90254c0751 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, BYRNE A LITSCHGI, CHAIRMAN OF SL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SL), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,029.

-30- 314
#90254c0752 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MICHAEL J HAMMES, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE OF SOCIETY CORP. (TICKER: SOCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,382.

-30- 332
#90254c0753 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HERBERT STOCKHAM, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 230 SHARES AT $17.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,566.

-30- 308
#90254c0754 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RICHARD J FLAMSON III, CHAIRMAN OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), SOLD 10,500 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90254c0756 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RICHARD J FLAMSON III, CHAIRMAN OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $30.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90254c0757 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RICHARD J FLAMSON III, CHAIRMAN OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), SOLD 4,700 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90254c0758 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RICHARD J FLAMSON III, CHAIRMAN OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,534.

-30- 334
#90254c0759 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HENRY T SEGERSTROM, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,288.

-30- 330
#90254c0760 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DONALD E STEVENSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STEWART & STEVENSON SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SSSS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $33.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 350,602.

-30- 365
#90254c0761 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GARY S WOLF, VP OF STANFORD TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: STII), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,868.

-30- 332
#90254c0762 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLIAM H KLING, DIR. OF THE ST. PAUL COS. (TICKER: STPL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $59.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 300
#90254c0764 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, AMERICAN TELEPHONE & TELEG CO, BEN. OWNER OF SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC (TICKER: SUNW), BOUGHT 4,575,469 SHARES AT $41.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,570,240.

-30- 376
#90254c0765 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MARTIN T FARRIS, DIR. OF SWIFT TRANSPORTATION INC. (TICKER: SWFT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 321
#90254c0766 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, SIBYL N FISHBURN, DIR. OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 181,683.

-30- 308
#90254c0767 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PETER BOOT, OFFICER OF ASHTON TATE (TICKER: TATE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,625.

-30- 298
#90254c0768 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JON C GRIMES, DIV. OFFICER OF TELLABS INC. (TICKER: TLAB), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90254c0769 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, PATRICK A CLIFFORD, VP OF THE TIMES MIRROR CO. (TICKER: TMC), SOLD 850 SHARES AT $26.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,850.

-30- 308
#90254c0770 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, STENDER E SWEENEY, VP OF THE TIMES MIRROR CO. (TICKER: TMC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,448.

-30- 309
#90254c0772 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, LAIRD L LAZELLE, PRES. OF TRISTATE BANCORP (THE) (TICKER: TRIB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,400.

-30- 324
#90254c0773 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOSEPH J FRENCH JR, OFFICER OF TRINITY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 317
#90254c0774 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES D YANCEY, DIR. OF TOTAL SYSTEM SERVICES INC. (TICKER: TSS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,174.

-30- 329
#90254c0775 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BENJAMIN D HOLLOWAY, DIR. OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $88.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 475.

-30- 307
#90254c0776 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $86.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90254c0777 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $84.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90254c0778 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $84.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90254c0780 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $85.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 177,031.

-30- 315
#90254c0781 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROSS J SUTTON, DIR. OF UNITED NATIONAL BANCORP (NJ) (TICKER: UNBJ), BOUGHT 220 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,004.

-30- 328
#90254c0782 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT E WADE, DIR. OF UNITED NATIONAL BANCORP (NJ) (TICKER: UNBJ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,421.

-30- 329
#90254c0783 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ROBERT E WADE, DIR. OF UNITED NATIONAL BANCORP (NJ) (TICKER: UNBJ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,133.

-30- 326
#90254c0784 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, J E MCDONALD, DIR. OF UNITED FINANCIAL CORP. OF SOUTH CAROLINA INC. (TICKER: UNSA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,740.

-30- 359
#90254c0785 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90254c0786 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0788 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $22.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90254c0789 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90254c0790 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283

#90254c0791 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0792 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0793 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0794 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0796 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0797 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283

#90254c0798 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0799 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90254c0800 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0801 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0802 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90254c0804 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287

#90254c0805 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90254c0806 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90254c0807 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0808 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,728,014.

-30- 324
#90254c0809 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 9,100 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90254c0810 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0812 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0813 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0814 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0815 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0816 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0817 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0818 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0820 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0821 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90254c0822 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0823 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0824 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0825 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90254c0826 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 19,300 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90254c0828 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90254c0829 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90254c0830 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,820,714.

-30- 324
#90254c0831 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0832 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90254c0833 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0834 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0836 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90254c0837 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $22.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90254c0838 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 19,300 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90254c0839 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90254c0840 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 10,900 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90254c0841 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90254c0842 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0844 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0845 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,820,714.

-30- 314
#90254c0846 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0847 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0848 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0849 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0850 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0852 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0853 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90254c0854 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0855 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0856 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90254c0857 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90254c0858 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90254c0860 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90254c0861 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0862 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,728,014.

-30- 314
#90254c0863 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 9,100 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90254c0864 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0865 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER:

VIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0866 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0868 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0869 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0870 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0871 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0872 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER:

VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0873 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0874 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0876 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90254c0877 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, MARTIN E KANTOR, CHAIRMAN OF WESTBRIDGE CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: WBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 789,394.

-30- 331
#90254c0878 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, SUMNER L FELDBERG, DIR. OF WABAN INC. (TICKER: WBN), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90254c0879 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, SUMNER L FELDBERG, DIR. OF WABAN INC. (TICKER: WBN), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,793.

-30- 303
#90254c0880 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JAMES HALPIN, OFFICER OF WABAN INC. (TICKER: WBN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,790.

-30- 299
#90254c0881 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, DOUGLAS R EVANS, PRES. OF WOODBINE PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: WDBN), BOUGHT 258,205 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90254c0882 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, DOUGLAS R EVANS, PRES. OF WOODBINE PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: WDBN), BOUGHT 232,895 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,711,067.

-30- 332
#90254c0884 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 27,700 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90254c0885 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 15,900 SHARES AT $11.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 306

#90254c0886 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304

#90254c0887 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 306

#90254c0888 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304

#90254c0889 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90254c0890 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304

#90254c0892 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90254c0893 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90254c0894 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90254c0895 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 457,100.

-30- 338
#90254c0896 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ROSS M PATTEN, OFFICER OF WHEELABRATOR TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: WTI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $39.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,700.

-30- 338
#90254c0897 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ARTHUR J COLLMEYER, PRES. OF WEITEK CORP. (TICKER: WWTK), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 134,460.

-30- 309
#90254c0898 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ANTHONY A MASSARO, VP OF WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORP. (TICKER: WX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $32.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 2,244.

-30- 322
#90254c0900 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GEORGE W RANDALL, CHAIRMAN OF YES CLOTHING CO. (TICKER: YSCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90254c0901 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 26, 1990, GEORGE W RANDALL, CHAIRMAN OF YES CLOTHING CO. (TICKER: YSCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,504,000.

-30- 322
#90254c0902 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 22

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Sept. 10, 1990, Fitchburg (TICKER: FGE) restated that it advises shareholders against tendering their shares to the offer by Eastern Utilities Associates, who extended their offer until Sept. 14, 1990.

-30- 465
#90254c0903 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY CHESTER COUNTY FUND INC OWNS 473,058 SHARES (16.20%) OF GEMCO NATIONAL INC (TICKER: GNL) OF WEST CHESTER, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Chester County Fund Inc. purchased 262,458 shares from Aug. 14-20, 1990 for

$1 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 477
#90254c0904 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

A. DAVID OWNS 1,221,264 SHARES (7.70%) OF SANMARK STARDUST INC (TICKER: SMK).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

A. David reported holdings of 453,750 shares on the original 13D filed in 1981, but had those shares increase to 1,945,601 shares due to stock splits and dividends. A. David also holds 476,695 shares as trustee for two trusts for the benefit of her two daughters.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

A. David sold 724,337 shares on Sept. 5, 1990 for $4 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 689
#90254c0905 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC OWNS 5,203,406 SHARES (26.40%) OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC (TICKER: AWAL) OF PHOENIX, AZ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Transpacific Enterprises Inc. purchased 101,600 shares for $729,487.50

-30- 433
#90254c0906 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

GROUP LED BY D.C. WALENTAS OWNS 731,100 SHARES (14.40%) OF BUILDERS TRANSPORT INC (TICKER: TRUK) OF CAMDEN, SC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Lawrence Budabin has been added as a reporting person.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

D.C. Walentas purchased 400,000 shares on Sept. 7, 1990 for $3,216,000 and sold 5,000 shares at a price of $7 per share.

-30- 541
#90254c0908 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY PARAMOUNT COMMUNICATIONS INC OWNS 500,000 SHARES (19.25%) OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP (TICKER: PRZ) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

PPC holds a warrant to purchase up to 500,000 shares of common stock at a price of $5 per share which become exercisable within 60 days after Sept. 2, 1990; therefore, a schedule 13d filing is required.

PURPOSE:

Warrant, exercisable within 60 days after Sept. 2, 1990, held for investment.

-30- 674
#90254c0909 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

MONTGOMERY MEDICAL VENTURES LP OF SAN FRANCISCO, CA OWNS 968,800 SHARES (6.70%) OF TOKOS MEDICAL CORP DEL (TICKER: TKOS) OF SANTA ANA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The shares of Tokos common stock beneficially owned by MMV were acquired in connection with the merger of Tokos Acquisition Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tokos, with and into Physiologic Diagnostic Service Inc., pursuant to an agreement and plan of merger dated as of June 12, 1990, as amended, by and among Tokos, TAC and PDS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Pursuant to the merger agreement, dated June 12, 1990, the shares of PDS common stock, preferred stock and warrants to purchase shares of PDS common and preferred stock that were held by MMV were converted into an aggregate of 968,800 shares of Tokos common stock with an aggregate value of $3,550,034.

PURPOSE:

Merger acquisition.

-30- 1082
#90254c0910 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

S.M. DEIXLER OWNS 2,587,500 SHARES (26.30%) OF MICROFRAME INC (TICKER: MIFIC) OF EDISON, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The funds used by Mr. Deixler to purchase the additional shares were his personal funds.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On June 20, 1990, Mr. Deixler purchased directly from the company 450,000 shares of common stock at a purchase price of $.10 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90254c0911 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

SMITH TECHNOLOGIES INC OWNS 833,333 SHARES (19.90%) OF FLIGHT INTL GROUP INC (TICKER: FLTI) OF NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Technologies has delivered to The Flight International Group Inc. an undertaking dated Sept. 6, 1990 not to exercise prior to Sept. 30, 1990 its put with respect to the 333,333 1/3 shares of the company's common stock that it presently owns, provided that creditors of the company which have entered into standstill agreements with the company continue until that date to refrain from taking steps to enforce repayment of their loans to the company. To compensate current company management, Technologies' stockholder has entered into an agreement with J. Nelson Happy, COB, President and CEO of the company, to pay management 30 percent of the profits, net of expenses, realized from his indirect investment in the company. Mr. Happy is to receive 25 percent of such profits personally and is to apportion the other 5 percent among the other members of management.

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#90254c0912 09/11/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

WALKER INTL INDUSTRIES INC OWNS 1,000,000 SHARES (8.00%) OF AUTHORIZED DISTRIBUTION NETWORK INC (TICKER: ADNI) OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the merger agreement dated Aug. 31, 1990, RJC acquired all of the issued and outstanding capital stock of Recticon Corp., 1,400 shares, in exchange for the issuance of 1,000,000 shares to the company through the merger of RJC into and with Rection Corp. The company has agreed to limit its dispositions of the shares as follows: 50,000 shares at any time after the registration statement shall have become effective; an additional 25,000 shares during each of the eight (8) calendar quarters next following the day on which the registration statement shall have become effective; and, any or all remaining shares at any time after the end of such eighth calendar quarter.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares pursuant to merger.

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#90254c0913 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A. DAVID OWNS 453,750 SHARES (8.90%) OF SANMARK STARDUST INC (TICKER: SMK).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the agreement, the holders of Sanmark shares received 15 shares of Sanmark Stardust Inc.'s stock for each Sanmark share. No funds were used in this exchange of stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On March 12, 1981 pursuant to an agreement of merger dated Nov. 18, 1980, between Stardust and Sanmark, Annie David owned 453,750 beneficially-owned shares of Stardust and Sanmark; her husband owned 2,145,215 shares; her son owned 756,195 shares; therefore, the David family acquired control of Stardust and Sanmark Inc.

PURPOSE:

Investment enhancement.

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#90254c0914 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY PRUTECH PROJECT DEV PARTNERS OWNS 1,323,150 SHARES (10.70%) OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: BEAM) OF WATERTOWN, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 23 through Aug. 28, 1990, Prutech Project Dev Partners purchased on the open market 549,550 shares at a price of $11 to $11.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

To acquire an equity position in the issuer for long term investment.

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#90254c0916 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - Valley Forge, Pa.-based Alco Standard Corp., (TICKER: ASN) a maker of paper products, aerospace systems and provider of food services, has decided to divest itself of the companies in its Alco Food Systems Group.

No sellers have been identified yet, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 11, 1990.

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#90254c0917 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - Deerfield Beach, Fla.-based Datavision Inc., (TICKER: DVIS) a maker of electronic-security systems, has acquired Titan Security Inc. and Auto Security Inc., from Steven and Karen Zabielinsky, for $500,000 cash and $363,000 in promissory notes.

Titan and Auto Security provide electronic security systems from offices in Miami to southern Florida, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 11, 1990.

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#90254c0918 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - MICA Imaging Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of San Diego-based Medical Imaging Centers of America Inc.(TICKER: MIKA), has acquired magnetic resonance-imaging equipment from Ide Diagnostic Imaging Associates, plus an exclusive right to provide MRI equipment to the New York partnership.

MICA paid $6.7 million cash and issued a two-year warrant to buy 50,000 MICA common shares at $12.68 each, for the deal, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Sixteen of Ide's partners practice medicine in the Rochester, N.Y., area.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 11, 1990.

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#90254c0919 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - Global Software Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Broomfield, Colo.-based Hathaway Corp.(TICKER: HATH), has sold its credit and accounts-receivable management business, located in Chicago, to Walker Interactive Systems of San Francisco, for $6.57 million.

The assets include proprietary software and systems under license, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 11, 1990.

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#90254c0920 09/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY GENERAL ELECTRIC CAPITAL CORP OF STAMFORD, CT 4,750,000 SHARES (14.50%) OF NOBLE DRILLING CORP (TICKER: NDCO) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 28, 1990, GECC converted 3,250,000 shares of preferred stock into an equal number of shares of common stock, and sold 2,800,000 shares of common stock at a price of $9 per share in a registered public offering under a registration rights agreement dated Jan. 29, 1988 between the company and GECC, and pursuant to which the company also sold 5,000,000 shares of common stock for an undisclosed consideration amount. GECC also granted to Salomon Brothers Inc. and Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc. underwriters, the option, exercisable until Sept. 20, 1990, to sell an additional 600,000 shares of common stock.

-30- 1001
#90254d0020 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LIMA (SEPT 11) - Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen met with Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori Tuesday to talk about bilateral economic cooperation, commerce and culture, officials said.

On Monday, Mr. Qian and Peruvian Foreign Minister Luis Marchand launched a labor commission Monday which is to be sealed with China's approval of a seven-million-dollar credit for Peru, a government spokesman said.

Also Monday, China donated 630 million dollars for rural dwellers in the Andes mountains hard-hit by drought.

#90254d0060 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VANCOUVER, Canada (SEPT 11) - Japan indicated Tuesday that it is unlikely to open its doors wider to agricultural imports, as Pacific Rim trade ministers continued seeking ways to salvage the current round of GATT negotiations.

Japanese trade officials quoted Kabun Muto, minister of international trade and industry, as telling his colleagues that Japan had already taken big steps to import more food from abroad.

But he added that Japanese citizens are worried by what they feel is a sagging level food self-sufficiency, saying that Japan now imports 51 per cent of its food needs as measured on a calorie basis.

Agricultural exporters, led by the United States, have been pressuring Tokyo to permit more foreign food on Japanese markets to ease gaping trade deficits with the Asian economic giant.

Trade in farm products is one of the big stumbling blocks in the slow-going Uruguay Round of talks involving the 97 signatory nations of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

Trade ministers from the 12-member Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) group -- which accounts for 60 per cent of all GATT trade -- are meeting in this Western Canadian city until Wednesday in an effort to find some consensus to speed up the Uruguay Round.

Officials fear the four-year round of talks will expire in December as scheduled without guarantees of freer world trade -- the basic aim of the GATT process that dates back to 1947.

"The cost of failure is very great -- lower growth, more protectionism, less confidences in the future, and increased unilateral action," said John Crosbie, Canada's trade minister and chairman of the Vancouver meetings.

Japan's position on agriculture contrasted with an offer by the ASEAN members of APEC to make sweeping concessions, including tariff cuts, to help perk up the Uruguay Round.

Malaysia's minister of trade and industry, Dato' Seri Rafiday Aziz (eds: correct), said the United States in particular "was positive to our proposals about textiles."

APEC groups Australia, Canada, Japan, South Korea, New Zealand, the United States, and the six ASEAN members -- Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the

Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

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#90254d0200 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DAKAR (SEPT 12) - Representatives of an interim government for Liberia left the Gambian capital Banjul on Tuesday for Monrovia to begin organizing an administration following the reported death of President Samuel Doe, according to official sources here.

The government, set up earlier this month under the auspices of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) which has sent an intervention force to Liberia, is to administer the country and hold elections in October 1991.

A spokesman for the interim government, whose full composition has not been publicly announced, said among those those who left for Monrovia were Levy Zangai, general secretary of the Liberian Action Party, and James Fromoyan a Liberian exile who returned to Africa Monday from the United States.

A former Liberian political science professor, Amos Saywer, has been unofficially named interim president.

The interim government representatives are to work with General Arnold Quaino, commander of the ECOWAS peacekeeping force.

Meanwhile it was officially announced in the Ghanaian capital Accra that Ghana was reexamining its participation in the ECOWAS peacekeeping force following the death of Mr. Doe.

With Nigeria, Ghana is the major contributor to the 3,000-strong force.

Mr. Doe has been reported killed Sunday and his mutilated body put on display by a rebel faction led by Prince Johnson.

-30- 1616
#90254d0460 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT 11) - The U.S. Senate overwhelmingly approved a resolution Tuesday calling for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Iraqi leaders to be prosecuted as "war criminals" if hostilities break out in the Gulf.

The Senate passed the nonbinding resolution by a 97-to-2 vote only hours before President George Bush addressed a joint House and Senate session to report on the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Hussein "has violated standards of civilized conduct by willfully

seeking to endanger the lives of foreign civilians in Kuwait and Iraq," the resolution said.

"... In the event of hostilities between the United States and the government of Iraq, it shall be the policy of the United States to pursue Saddam Hussein and other such perpetrators as may be determined responsible in order to bring them to justice as war criminals," it said.

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#90254d0500 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 12) - The KGB, anxious to improve its image, has opened a public relations center, officials of the Soviet secret police and intelligence agency said here Tuesday.

At a news conference in the infamous KGB headquarters building in Moscow, three officials told journalists that the agency wanted new legislation to change its structures and activities.

KGB director Alexander Karbaynov admitted the agency had committed numerous "errors," some "tragic."

But pressed by newsmen, he declined to reveal how many people were still employed by the KGB. "That is a government secret," he said. "If a parliamentary inquiry is opened we will reveal these figures."

He said, however, that the number of informants did not top one percent of KGB personnel.

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#90254d0600 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 12) - Children adopted from Romania have a "great risk" of carrying the AIDS virus, New Zealand's Social Welfare Department said in a report Wednesday.

The report, authored by department deputy director-general Robin Wilson, stressed that tests for the aquired immune deficiency syndrome on children under three were "known to be unreliable."

The report comes as pressure grows on the government here to ease normally tough adoption regulations so New Zealanders can adopt Romanian children. At least 25 New Zealand families have people in Romania currently trying to complete adoption formalities.

Mr. Wilson, who went to Romania to investigate the situation, said that many of the thousands of children in Romanian orphanages were suffering serious respiratory problems.

In the report, which sets out policy suggestions for adoption procedures, Mr. Wilson recommended the New Zealand Government "note that the health and emotional development of the children must be suspect".

"From my own observation most of the children are suffering markedly from the effects of lack of stimulation," he said.

The plight of thousands of children living in abysmal conditions in Romanian orphanages came to light following the fall of that country's late dictator Nicolae Ceausescu.

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#90254d0710 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 12) - Fuji Heavy Industries Ltd., maker of the Subaru car, said on Wednesday it has decided to pay no dividends on its stock for the interim six-month period through September 1990.

Officials of the Japanese firm said the profits from a expected 13 percent sales increase during the April-September period over a year earlier would be eclipsed by increased sales promotion costs for its new mini-vehicles.

The company has yet to decide whether it will pay dividends to stockholders in the second half of the fiscal year, they said.

Fuji Heavy, an affiliate of Nissan Motor Co. Ltd., suffered an operating loss of almost 30 billion yen (200 million dollars) in the year to March, with its net profit plunging 47.3 percent to 5.7 billion yen (38 million dollars).

The company said its poor performance reflected declining sales of small cars, particularly in the United States but also in Japan.

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#90254d0850 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 12) - Citizen Watch Co. said Wednesday it had signed an exclusive agreement with Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp. (NTT) to manufacture and market integrated circuit (IC) cards internationally.

Under the agreement, Japan's second-largest watchmaker will invest one billion yen (7.2 million dollars) to manufacture low-cost, high-performance IC cards, company officials said.

The new IC cards will be priced at 8.00 to 8.50 dollars each against conventional cards costing 21 to 28 dollars each, and distributed through the overseas network of NTT International, an NTT subsidiary, they said.

The cards, containing integrated circuits or large-scale integrated chips, can be used by customers in a variety of sectors such as banking, social insurance, mass-merchandising and the health care fields.

Sales will start in next month, with a target of one million cards sold in the fiscal year beginning April 1991, mainly in West Europe where demand for IC cards has expanded in recent years, they said.

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#90254d5150 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 11) - The number of Japanese over age 100 is to reach a record high of 3,298 by the end of September, an increase of 220 from a year ago, the Health and Welfare Ministry announced Tuesday.

Women account for 2,618 or 79.4 per cent of the total, compared with 680 men.

The number of Japanese centenarians has been increasing since 1971. Women dominate the rankings, holding the top nine places.

The oldest woman is Waka Shirahama, 112, of Miyazaki Prefecture insouthern Japan. Nisaburo Matsuyama of Ishikawa Prefecture is the oldest man at 108.

Mrs. Mitsu Fujisawa, of Nagano Prefecture in northwestern Japan, who had been the nation's oldest person for four consecutive years, died in January at the age of 113.

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#90254d5310 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN SALVADOR (SEPT. 11) - Leftist rebels said they killed 16 government soldiers and wounded 24 others in central El Salvador, where rebels and army troops have been fighting since Sunday.

The clandestine Radio Venceremeos of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) said Monday's "successful military maneuver" raised to 4,062 the number of government casualties during the first eight months of this year.

The radio said FMLN rebels inflicted the latest army casualties in fighting near Tecoluca, some 50 kilometers (30 miles) east of the capital, in the central province of San Vicente. A rebel was killed and a wounded woman guerrilla was captured, the radio said.

However, the army press office, COPREFA, said six soldiers were killed in the fighting and added that five rebels were wounded.

Rebel antiairraft fire damaged a U.S.-made C-47 transport plane and a UH-1H helicopter during the fighting, rebel radio reported.

The rebel radio also said the FMLN captured 236 weapons, shot down eight helicopters and damaged 51 military aircraft with gunfire during the first eight months of this year.

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#90254d5330 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (SEPT. 11) - Security forces killed 10 leftist rebels and captured seven others in various battles across Colombia, the armed forces said.

The army high command said the most violent of the clashes Monday occurred in the southwestern province of Cauca near the town of El Bordo, where rebels of the Colombian Revolutionary Armed Forces (FARC) attacked a police patrol.

Four rebels were killed in the attack, while two guerrillas and a policeman were wounded, the army said.

In the town of Samaniego, in the southwestern province of Narino, soldiers from the army's 3rd Brigade killed three rebels in a gunbattle with another FARC unit, and seized the rebels' weapons and gear.

The army also said its soldiers battled guerrillas of the FARC and the National Liberation Army in the provinces of Cesar, Cordoba and Santander. Three rebels were killed and seven others were captured in those engagements, the army said.

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#90254d5490 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 11) - Australian security group Mayne Nickless Ltd. announced Tuesday it had bought Britain's Compass Security Ltd. for 7.6 million pounds sterling (14.1 million U.S. dollars).

Mayne's managing director Ian Webber said the purchase had established the company as a major force in the guards and alarm monitoring markets in Britain.

It follows recent acquisitions in Spain and the Netherlands in both security and transport services.

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#90254d5810 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 11) - Japanese machinery orders hit a record high of 1.03 trillion yen (9.2 billion dollars) in July, the Economic Planning Agency (Epa) reported Tuesday.

The orders were 22.1 percent higher than in June, for the largest month-to-month rise since April 1984. The figure surpassed the previous record high of 1.01 trillion yen set last April.

Of July's total, foreign machinery orders accounted for more than half, at 508 billion yen, down 5.1 percent, the EPA said.

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#90254d5930 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 11) - Almost 1,500 prisoners throughout New South Wales were locked into their cells Tuesday as officials sought to enforce plans to confiscate personal property and make it harder to conceal AIDS-infected syringes.

Director of custodial services John Horton said that the prisoners had been locked up following riots in Bathurst jail on Monday night which left several guards and inmates injured.

The state government has drawn up a harsh list of banned items following the stabbing of a 21-year old prison warder with a blood-filled syringe in July.

The officer has been confirmed as a carrier of the deadly Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) virus which robs the body of its ability to fight disease.

Among items banned are educational materials, crucifixes and family photographs.

Prison warders went on strike after the stabbing incident to back calls for the segregation of prisoners with AIDS, a demand state officials rejected.

A police spokesman said trouble started at Bathurst Jail when about 290 prisoners lit fires and smashed windows and furniture after a meeting.

Warders fired shots and used teargas to gain control.

Mr. Horton said prisoners at the other jails declared they were "on strike" and had refused to go to work.

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#90254d5950 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Madrid (SEPT. 11) - A car bomb went off in Cartagena late Monday, injuring 17 persons in the latest of a series of bombings in Spain attributed to Basque separatists and leftist terrorists.

Police said Tuesday that the car laden with 70 kilos of explosives had been parked outside living quarters for 400 Guardia Civil personnel and their dependents in the Mediterranean coastal city.

Injuries were due to flying shrapnel, police said.

No group claimed responsibility, but police said the explosives were the same as those used in other bombings by the Eta basque separatist organisation.

The leftist terrorist Grapo organisation claimed responsibility for Monday's bombing of a Spanish Socialist Party office headquarters in Barcelona in which no one was injured.

Police were still looking for clues Tuesday to the bombing of a refinery pipeline in Tarragona.

Meanwhile, bogus bomb threats continued to plague authorities in Madrid. The foreign ministry and federal accounting office were evacuated as a precaution after anonymous phone calls warned of concealed bombs. dpa eg 111130 sep 90

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#90254d6030 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (SEPT. 11) - Two Philippines oil companies have petitioned for average oil price increases of 73 and 45 percent, officials said Tuesday.

The Energy Regulatory Board (ERB) said it had received a petition from Caltex Corp. which demanded an average increase of 3.27 pesos (13 U.S. cents) per liter for its products, a 73 percent increase from the current prices.

It also received another proposal from Shell Corp. which petitioned for a 2.03-peso (eight U.S. cents) per liter increase, a 45 percent increase.

ERB spokesmen said the board still has to wait for a petition from the state-run Petron oil firm before acting on the two petitions.

The Philippines depends on oil for 62.3 percent of its energy needs, and imported 97.4 percent of the 72.79 million barrels it consumed last year, official figures show.

Domestic fuel prices are currently subsidized. Members of Congress have

asked President Corazon Aquino to defer the deregulation of the domestic oil industry, which was scheduled to start next January.

The depletion of the oil industry subsidy and the Gulf crisis has put pressure on the Aquino government, which is wary of raising oil prices because such decisions have traditionally triggered social unrest.

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#90254d6090 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 11) - The Japanese government is divided over the question of sending troops to the Middle East, with most officials opposed to the idea, foreign ministry spokesman Taizo Watanabe said Tuesday.

Mr. Watanabe, asked about a further contribution promised by Tokyo to help enforce the world embargo against Iraq, said a bill was being drafted that would allow Japan to "contribute more" to United Nations-led peace efforts.

But he would not disclose details of the bill, which he said would be ready by the end of September.

The Kyodo news agency, quoting government sources, said Tokyo was considering sending military personnel in a temporary "peace cooperation team" under the foreign ministry to support efforts to defend against further expansionism by Iraq, which annexed Kuwait after invading it on August 2.

Mr. Watanabe would not confirm the report, but acknowledged ongoing "exchanges of view" within the government over the new law.

"Some say the Self Defense Forces (SDF - Japan's army) should be sent, and some are utterly opposed to it," he added, stressing that "a majority is for non-involvement of SDF forces."

The Japanese constitution forbids the use of force to settle disputes.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu on August 29 first mooted the idea of a new law permitting Japan to take part in the U.N. peace efforts when he pledged one billion dollars in logistical support for the U.S.-led multinational force in the Gulf together with 22 million dollars for refugees fleeing Iraq and Kuwait.

Tokyo's Western partners, especially the United States, deemed the program insufficient.

Government spokesman Misoji Sakamoto said on Tuesday that the second part of Japan's aid package would be ready before Mr. Kaifu leaves for a September 29-30 visit to the United States.

Tokyo is expected to pledge a substantial amount of financial aid to countries affected by U.N. sanctions against Iraq, such as Egypt, Jordan and Turkey.

Informed sources here said U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady requested an additional two billion dollars from Japan when he made his lightning visit here last week.

Mr. Sakamoto said Japan's new aid plan would be "in line with" Mr. Brady's request.

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#90254d6140 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Colombo (SEPT. 11) - The Gulf crisis is expected to hurt the Sri Lankan economy badly, affecting the second and third biggest sources of the country's foreign exchange earnings, experts in Colombo say.

Tea exports and remittances from emigrants, the second and third highest foreign exchange sources, respectively, have been adversely affected in Sri Lanka, which was on the path of economic recovery after its civil war with the Sinhala Marxist Janatha Vimukthi Peramuna (people's liberation movement) rebels last year.

Colombo now faces a major unemployment problem, with over 100,000 Sri Lankans employed in Kuwait beginning to return home virtually empty-handed.

Unemployment, which had already reached 18 percent in an estimated population of 16.8 million, is now expected to rise steadily in the coming months as Lankans return from Kuwait. Those workers account for about 20 per cent of the some 500,000 Lankans employed in the Middle East.

The Gulf crisis has shattered Colombo's hopes of reaching the projected 400 million dollar target from foreign exchange remittances by emigrants at the end of this year against the 325 million dollars earned in 1989.

Foreign employment agents in the capital have already recorded a severe drop in migrants for employment in the Mideast, which accounts for over 40 per cent of the foreign job market for Sri Lankan workers. Some of the recruitment agencies have started reducing their staffs.

-30- 1637

#90254d6190 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 11) - Michel Camdessus, managing director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), Tuesday told industrial countries to pursue even more careful policies to "ward off the threat of recession and

inflation" stemming from the Gulf crisis.

In his first public statement on the economic consequences of the August 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq and the ensuing rise in oil prices, Mr. Camdessus said the direct impact of the crisis, on present assumptions about prices, was likely to be "manageable."

He said this was partly due to efforts made over the past two decades to reduce the consumption of hydrocarbons.

However, Mr. Camdessus said, "there is still a serious element of vulnerability which gives the industrial countries an obligation to manage the major macroeconomic balances even more carefully, so as to ward off the threats of recession and inflation."

Addressing a United Nations conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDCs), the IMF chief said the Fund believed, "on the basis of plausible assumptions regarding the oil price increase in 1990 and 1991", that the direct impact of the crisis could be to reduce growth in the industrial countries by about 0.25 percentage point this year and by O.5 percentage point next year.

He said consumer prices could rise by just over 0.25 percentage point this year and by 0.5 to 0.75 percentage point in 1991 compared wioth earlier IMF projections.

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#90254d6200 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (SEPT. 11) - Bangladesh plans to import 27 million dollars worth of crude oil from Saudi Arabia to offset possible fuel shortages caused by the Gulf crisis, official sources said Tuesday.

Necessary import formalities, including letters of credit, were completed with a local bank Monday, the sources said, but they did not say how much crude was to be purchased.

This will be Bangladesh's first import order of crude since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait sparked the Gulf crisis, they added.

Bangladesh needs to import about 1.1 billion tonnes of crude oil annually -- mainly from Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates -- for its single refinery in the southeastern port city of Chittagong.

The Government last month said it had adequate stocks of fuel oil to meet domestic needs for two to three months.

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#90254d6210 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 11) - Malayan Banking Bhd., with assets amounting to 33.53 billion dollars (12.42 billion U.S.), at the end of June last year, heads the list of 23 locally incorporated commercial banks, a merchant bank said Tuesday.

Arab-Malaysian Merchant Bank Bhd. said in a statement to launch its 13th annual Kuala Lumpur Bankers Directory that Malayan Banking, which was also the top bank last year, led in all categories of consolidated accounts.

It had deposits amounting to 22.74 billion dollars (8.42 billion U.S.), shareholders' funds of 1.26 billion dollars (467 million U.S.) and a pretax profit of 181.88 million dollars (67.36 million U.S.).

Bank Bumiputra Bhd. ranked second in terms of assets and deposits which amounted to 30.69 billion dollars (11.37 billion U.S.) and 20.46 billion dollars (7.58 billion U.S.) respectively at the end of March 1989.

Among the 16 foreign incorporated banks operating here Standard Chartered Bank ranked first with assets amounting to 9.93 billion dollars (3.68 billion U.S.) at the end of 1988.

The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corp. was second with assets of 9.43 billion dollars (3.49 billion U.S.) at the end of 1989 while Citibank N.A. followed with 7.18 billion dollars (2.66 billion U.S.) at the end of 1988.

But Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corp. ranked top in terms of deposits and pre-tax profit, which amounted to 4.93 billion dollars (1.82 billion U.S.) and 157.38 billion dollars (58.29 billion U.S.) respectively.

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#90254d6220 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 11) - Sales of new cars increased by 11.4 per cent to 20,460 units compared to July's figure of 18,367, the National Association of Automobile Manufacturers (NAAMSA) said Tuesday.

Compared to the corresponding month in 1989, August's sales show an improvement of 8.5 per cent or 1,600 units.

In a statement here, NAAMSA predicted that sales were expected to remain under pressure for the rest of the year as a result of the prevailing economic climate and the continuing high cost of finance.

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#90254d6240 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 11) - Japan's Honda Motor Co. Ltd. said Tuesday it would form a joint venture with Mitsubishi Corp. and two Philippine partners to assemble vehicles under the Manila government's "people's car" program.

The leading carmaker said it would also set up a separate wholly-owned unit to produce engines for the new Manila-based company, with total investment in the two projects amounting to 4.6 billion yen (33 million dollars).

The joint venture, known as Honda Cars Philippines Inc., will be capitalised at three billion yen (21 million dollars) with Honda holding 47 per cent and Mitsubishi 23 per cent, a statement said. The rest will be shared by investment firm Ayala Corp. and Rizal Commercial Banking Corp. holding 15 per cent each.

Honda said the company would be set up next month ahead of receiving formal approval to take part in the program to provide cheaper cars to the country's middle class. Under the program, the government aims to reduce minimum cost of a car from 260,000 pesos (10,400 dollars) to 175,000 pesos (7,000 dollars).

The joint venture plans to start producing a modified version of the 1200 cc Honda Civic from March next year. Output is targetted at 12,000 cars a year by 1995, about one-third of this year's estimate for the entire Philippine market.

Honda said it would also set up a separate company, Honda Engineering Manufacturing Philippines Inc., to produce engines from the beginning of 1992. The company, a wholly-owned subsidiary capitalised at one billion yen (seven million dollars), will also start operating next month, it said.

The Japanese carmaker, the country's third-biggest, said the Philippines was the only member of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) where Honda cars were not sold. Other ASEAN members are Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand.

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#90254d6330 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 11) - Australia's future corporate watchdog, the Australian Securities Commission (ASC), will investigate 16 companies when it starts work on January 1, Chairman Tony Hartnell said Tuesday.

Mr. Hartnell told a lunch here that Alan Bond's Bond Corp. Holdings, Christopher Skase's failed Qintex group and Laurie Connell's collapsed financier Rothwells would be scrutinized.

The companies were "a natural group for investigation and possibly litigation," he said, adding the ASC would take a hard line on enforcing

corporate law.

"There is no doubt that the enforcement of the law which we have to date has been totally inadequate to deal with a clearly dramatic increase in abuses of company law.

"Clearly there is a public expectation that (the ASC) will deal with the excesses of the past," Mr. Hartnell said.

"That is when people engaged in conduct three or four years ago that was perceived by community mores as normal and appropriate, and is now clearly perceived in retrospective analysis to be wrong and approaching criminality."

Mr. Hartnell admitted insider trading laws were technical and prosecutions hard to obtain.

Australia's reputation was one of "corporate recklessness which has not been adequately checked by either commercial morality or the government," he said.

The speech came the same day that the Brisbane District Court ordered the arrest of Mr. Skase, whose media and leisure empire Qintex Australia Ltd. and 28 associated companies went into receivership in November shortly after making a 1.5 billion U.S. dollar bid for Hollywood studio MGMUnited Artists.

Mr. Connell was recently accused in the Western Australia parliament of milking 324 million dollars (261 million U.S.) from Rothwells before the financier collapsed in late 1988.

Canberra has created the ASC to replace the set-up run by the National Companies and Securities Commission (NCSC) along with each of the states' Corporate Affairs Commissions.

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#90254d6340 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (SEPT. 11) - The first consignment of Zambian copper to be exported through the South African port enclave of Walvis Bay was due to arrive in Namibia Tuesday, a spokesman for the Namibian national carrier Transnamib said.

Transnamib and Zambian Consolidated Mining have signed a contract to transport 30,000 tons of copper a month from the Zambian copperbelt to Walvis Bay until the end of March 1992.

Transnamib spokesman Uno Hengari told the South African news agency SAPA:

"This is the first agreement signed by Namibia as a nation with any land-locked South African Development Coordination Conference (SADCC) nation."

Zambia has previously exported its copper through Dar es Salaam in Tanzania and Beira, Mozambique, a port whose rail links have frequently been sabotaged by the Mozambican rebel movement Renamo.

Namibia became the 10th member of SADCC after gaining independence from South Africa on March 21.

But Namibia has only one viable port - Walvis Bay - which is still part of South Africa, the country whose regional economic dominance SADCC aims to counteract.

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#90254d6360 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Hamburg (SEPT. 11) - The Aral and Esso oil companies of West Germany followed Deutsche Bp's example Tuesday and raised petrol prices by 5 pfennigs (3 U.S. cents) per litre.

Two other companies, Shell and Dea, meanwhile said they were still holding back while they study the market further.

Aral and Esso cited the rise in oil prices on the Rotterdam spot market for their increases, the same reason given by Deutsche Bp, the subsidiary of British Petroleum, for its decision on Monday.

Petrol prices in West Germany are now running 17 pfennigs (11 U.S. cents) per litre higher than before the August 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq.

West German petrol prices now range between an average of 1.31 marks per litre of normal gasoline (3.13 dollars per U.S. gallon) to 1.45 marks for leaded super gasoline (3.47 dollars per gallon).

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#90254d6390 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (SEPT. 11) - A british government inquiry into the December 1988 Lockerbie bombing says passenger planes should be constructed to better withstand the force of a mid-air explosion.

The report by the Department of Transport inquiry into the bombing of PanAm Flight 102 said the force of a blast in the forward cargo hold of the ill-fated Boeing 747 caused sufficient damage that the jumbo jet disintegrated in mid-air.

The plane had just reached cruising altitude of over 30,000 feet on a flight from London to New York on December 21, 1988, when the bomb went off. The plane broke up into several large pieces, which rained down on the town Lockerbie, Scotland, killing a total 270 persons.

Forensics experts traced the blast to plastic explosives concealed in a radio cassette player in luggage in the forward hold, located behind the cockpit and under the first class lower-level deck.

The report said the breakup occurred so quickly that Flight 102's black box registered no sign of an explosion.

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#90254d6410 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (SEPT. 11) - Finland's right-left coalition government painted a gloomy outlook Tuesay when it submitted a draft 1991 budget to parliament predicting a heavy current account deficit and rising unemployment.

Output growth will almost come to a halt, and cost pressures will remain strong as a result of the rise in oil prices, the government said.

The budget, which represents an increase of about 11 percent, or four percent in real terms, over the 1990 budget, totals 157.7 billion markka (42.4 billion dollars).

Social Democrat Minister of Finance Matti Louekoski said the budget would be 8.6 billion markka (2.3 billion dollars) in surplus, giving the government possibilities to pay back foreign loans.

The biggest expenditure item was social security, at 31.5 billion markka (about 8.5 billion dollars) or 20 percent of the total, followed by education, science and culture with 29.1 billion markka.

Defense expenditure would be 9 billion markka, or 5.7 percent of the budget.

Some 0.7 percent of gross national product (GNP) or 3.7 billion markka would go to development aid in line with a U.N. recommendation.

Income tax would go down slightly but at the same time turnover tax would be increased from 17 to 17.5 percent, giving a slight increase in the total tax burden.

Output growth, which last year was five percent, was expected to slow to 2.5 percent this year and a mere half a percent next year, the government said.

The trade deficit would fall but the current account deficit would grow this year by 1.7 billion markka to 23.7 billion (about 6.2 billion dollars), reaching 24.8 billion markka or 4.3 percent of gross national product (GNP) next year.

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#90254d6420 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERN (SEPT. 11) - Switzerland and Austria decided on Tuesday to evacuate their remaining diplomats in Kuwait to Baghdad because of the deteriorating security situation in Kuwait City, a spokesman for the Swiss foreign affairs department said here.

Switzerland only has two diplomats remaining in the Iraqi-occupied capital, charge d'affaires Franco Besomi and the head of the chancellery Bernhard Bischoff.

The spokesman, Michel Pache, said their departure along with the Austrian ambassador was a joint decision with Vienna prompted by the deteriorating security in Kuwait City where "nationals from Asian countries are going on pillaging sprees that are not stopped by the Iraqi troops".

The Austrian Government confirmed that it was preparing to evacuate ambassador Johann Demel "in coordination with the Swiss".

An Austrian Foreign Ministry spokesman said Mr. Demel was the last remaining Austrian diplomat in Kuwait City. He will return home to Vienna via Baghdad, but his departure from Kuwait will "certainly not be today", the spokesman said.

Official sources here said the Swiss and Austrian diplomats were likely to travel out together, perhaps as soon as Wednesday. They said final arrangements still had to be made with the Iraqi authorities.

Sweden and Norway already pulled their diplomats out of Kuwait City last week.

The Bern spokesman said Switzerland had been considering the evacuation for several days, but did not want to take a position different from Austria, on the one hand, or the European Economic Community on the other. Switzerland and Austria are both neutal.

EEC Foreign Ministers meeting in Rome on Saturday decided to maintain their diplomats in Kuwait City as long as their lives were not in danger.

Mr. Pache said a Swiss foreign affairs department crisis committee had "taken all necessary measures to ensure the departure" of its diplomats.

Diplomatic sources said it was not yet known if they could use their cars with diplomatic registration plates or whether they would make the six-hour road journey to Baghdad in cars provided by Iraq.

They too said the journey would not be before Wednesday since "we plan to get the maximum guarantees for their security from Iraqi authorities".

Iraq no longer recognizes the diplomatic status of foreign embassies in Kuwait City after ordering them to close down on August 24.

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#90254d6460 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT 11) - Mongolia's Great Hural (parliament) has appointed Dash Byambasuren as prime minister on the recommendation of President Punsalmaagin Ochirbat, official sources in Ulan Bator said Tuesday.

Mr. Byambasuren, 48, has held the post of first vice-president in the council of ministers since May. He had earlier served as chairman of state of the state price and standardization committee and president of the cadres training college.

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#90254d6630 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOWETO, South Africa (SEPT 11) - Leading churchman the Reverend Frank Chikane toured the strife-torn Naledi district of Johannesburg's largest black township on Tuesday, urging the government to rein in the police.

As police spokesman Colonel Tienie Halgryn reported that another four bodies had brought the death toll in Soweto since Friday to 41, Mr. Chikane warned that the fighting would only stop if the government persuaded police to be impartial.

Squatters at the Tladi camp on the outskirts of Naledi, who lost at least 10 neighbours on Saturday evening when vigilantes from Zulu leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha party swarmed out of the massive Merafe single-sex hostel complex, told him of police bias.

Mr. Chikane, General Secretary of the South African Council of Churches (SACC), said that when he visited Tladi camp early Sunday he found bodies so riddled with bullets that he doubted Inkatha alone could have been responsible.

"You don't waste bullets if they are illegal supplies," Mr. Chikane said.

Several Tladi and Naledi residents said on Sunday they had seen white men disguised as blacks among the heavily-armed Inkatha raiding party,

prompting leading figures including Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu to speculate that a mysterious "third force" was orchestrating violence.

As Mr. Chikane held prayers in the Tladi camp on Tuesday one youth was heard to say: "You can pray but don't close your eyes."

Mr. Chikane warned that the violence might degenerate into total anarchy, saying that the problem was no longer simply between Inkatha and residents but between residents and the police, recalling the worst township violence of 1984.

An AFP correspondent saw police fight running battles with Naledi residents Sunday without any apparent attempt to go into Merafe hostel to interview Inkatha supporters residents blamed for the killing.

A French Roman Catholic priest in Mr. Chikane's party, Father Jacques Anyot, spoke of a pattern emerging from the series of Inkatha attacks around Johannesburg which have sparked South Africa's worst-ever wave of violence, leaving well over 600 dead since August 13.

Fr. Anyot said attackers had been dropped off from white minibuses and picked up again after the slaughter was over.

"These people kill a few people, maim them, and run away," he said.

Mr. Chikane and his team also visited the Merafe hostel to talk to hostel dwellers, amid relative quiet.

Col. Halgryn rejected claims of police bias, saying: "Many more people would have been killed if the poolice were not here."

Asked if the security forces could stop the killing he said: "The police can't get to the root of the cause of the violence."

Meanwhile police spokeswoman Captain Ida van Zweel reported 22 deaths from overnight fighting "between Zulus and Xhosas" at Katlehong, east of Johannesburg, one of the three townships where fighting on August 13 sparked two weeks of carnage around Johannesburg that left more than 500 people dead.

Capt. Van Zweel said most of the victims had been stabbed or hacked to death in clashes that lasted into the morning. Police expected to find more bodies, she said.

A correspondent for the South African news agency SAPA who lives in the township said hostel-dwellers armed with guns began fighting residents in the Ramokonopi and Mosiliki sections of the township, while Inkatha men from the nearby Kwesine hostel vowed to kill all the locals.

African National Congress (ANC) Deputy President Nelson Mandela was due to see President Frederik de Klerk in Pretoria Tuesday afternoon to discuss violence.

ANC spokesman Saki Macozoma told AFP the focus would be on Natal province, where a Zulu civil war between Inkatha and ANC supporters has left more than 4,000 dead since late 1986.

Herman Cohen, U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, was also expected to raise the issue of violence in simultaneous talks in Pretoria with Foreign Minister Pik Botha.

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#90254d6680 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (SEPT 11) - A high-ranking official of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo) Tuesday proposed here an Arab League meeting to discuss again the controversial issue of the league's headquarters.

Faruk Kaddumi, the Plo's foreign affairs chief, called on ''Arab brothers'' to tackle the problem with ''patience and calm'' and debate the issue in Tunis on September 17.

Observers said Kaddumi indirectly rejected Monday's decison by an Arab League foreign ministers meeting, which confirmed the Egyptian capital as the site of the organisation's headquarters. The decision was taken by only 12 nations of the 21-member league.

Monday's meeting was boycotted by Iraq, Jordan, Sudan, Yemen, Libya, Tunisia, Algeria, Mauritania and the Plo.

A move of the headquarters from Tunis back to Cairo was approved in March, but was called into question because of the split in the league over the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait last month.

Cairo is laid down as site of the headquarters in the 1945 league charter. The league had moved its headquarters to Tunis in 1979 in protest after Egypt signed peace with Israel.

Iraq, angered at a recent Egyptian-led move to send league troops to defend Saudi Arabia against a possible Iraqi attack, challenged the headquarters decision on August 10.

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#90254d6760 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT 11) - Over 20 suspected Moslem militants were charred to

death Tuesday when a bus in which they were travelling caught fire following an encounter with Indian security forces in the violence-rocked north Indian state of Kashmir.

The United News of India (Uni) news agency reported that the incident occurred at Thueen town when a Border Security Force patrol intercepted a vehicle on a random check.

As soon as the bus, coming from the tourist resort town of Sonmarg to Gandebal, stopped four radicals got down from it and opened fire.

The security forces returned fire as a result of which the bus caught fire and all the militants on board were burnt alive, Uni said. The authorities later recovered 16 charred bodies from the gutted bus.

The agency quoted official souces in the state capital of Srinagar as saying that the security forces recovered two rocket launchers, seven Ak-47 assault rifles and two rockets from the wrecked vehicle.

India and Pakistan have fought two of their three wars for the control of Kashmir since both nations became independent from British colonial rule in 1947.

India holds nearly three-fourths of the area while Pakistan occupies the rest which Islamabad calls ''Azad Kashmir'' (Independent Kashmir).

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#90254d6780 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 11) - The head of the group ''Sos racism'', which among others represents many Arabs living in France, Tuesday said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein did have the right to represent the poor.

Harlem Desir said Saddam was only ''a dictator'', and he described the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait as ''an act of terrorism and barbarism''.

The Iraqi head of state Monday offered to supply oil free of charge to Third World nations so as to reduce the ''suffering'' they have been caused by the surge in world oil prices during the current Gulf crisis.

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#90254d6830 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 11) - Thai Airways International (THAI) has suspended flights to Dhahran and Riyadh in Saudi Arabia indefinitely because of the Gulf crisis, a senior THAI official said here Tuesday.

THAI had taken the decision "out of concern for the safety of passengers,"

vice president for marketing Nares Hovatanakul said, and services to the two Saudi Arabian destinations would be stopped immediately.

THAI normally operates three flights a week to Dhahran and one to Riyadh.

Mr. Nares said these flights would be resumed as soon as the situation in the Gulf, sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait, returned to normal.

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#90254d6850 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PERTH, Australia (SEPT. 11) - Perth's only afternoon newspaper, the Daily News, was placed in provisional liquidation Tuesday after a fair trade watchdog blocked Alan Bond's bid to buy the paper, union officials said.

The Australian Journalists' Association said 200 staff had been sacked after Canberra's Trade Practices Commission (TPC) barred the bid by Mr. Bond's West Australian Newspapers (WAN).

WAN, publisher of the Perth morning daily newspaper, The West Australian, had said it would call in printing debts of nine million dollars (7.2 million U.S.) if the sale was not approved.

The TPC, which had acknowledged that blocking WAN's bid would result in the newspaper's "probable immediate closure," said the decision was made to avoid a monopoly of the Perth newspaper market.

The Daily News's losses meant the paper would have shed many of its 200 staff anyway, the TPC said.

In a front-page editorial, the Daily News said it faced closure because of a decision by a "naive and misguided bunch of bureaucrats."

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#90254d6860 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 11) - Budget requests from Japanese ministries and government agencies for fiscal year 1991 rose 7.4 percent from 1990 to 71.11 trillion yen (508 billion dollars), officials said Tuesday.

The requests are expected to be slashed when the finance ministry compiles the government's 1991 budget in December, officials said. The fiscal year starts in April.

Budget requests for national defense represented a rise of 5.8 percent, while those for official development assistance (ODA) to developing countries jumped 10.1 percent, the finance ministry said without

specifying the amounts.

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#90254d6890 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 11) - Japanese business confidence remained strong in August but was down slightly from May, mainly reflecting reduced optimism among paper, chemical and ceramic manufacturers, the Bank of Japan said Tuesday.

The central bank's quarterly short-term survey of enterprises showed that most manufacturers had upwardly revised sales and profit forecasts to reflect "strong domestic demand and expectations of moderate export increases."

The outlook for the rest of the year deteriorated slightly but remained strong, despite the recent surge in crude oil prices, the bank said.

Confidence among non-manufacturers meanwhile strengthened with most firms - particularly those involved in personal consumption and construction - predicting "firm sales and steady profit increases."

But the survey also found that Japan's acute labour shortage had worsened during the period and that many companies were predicting higher prices for their goods and services, partly due to higher oil prices.

"Labour conditions of enterprises, regardless of industry or size, have further tightened. Against the background of buoyant domestic demand, the continued tightness in product markets is expected to persist," it warned.

The bank said its diffusion index - the percentage of respondents with a favourable outlook minus the percentage of those with unfavourable views - fell from 48 points in May to 46 points in August for big manufacturers. The forecast for the final three months of the year was 43 points, the bank said.

The index for the basic materials sector was down with the paper, chemicals and ceramic sectors all citing a decline in business conditions while iron and steel along with non-ferrous metal manufacturers said business was unchanged.

Most industries in the processing sector reported improved conditions in the same period, notably manufacturers of metal products, general machinery and precision instruments along with shipbuilders and carmakers.

The diffusion index for small to medium-sized manufacturers meanwhile rose from 3.1 points to 3.2 but was forecast to fall to 2.8 by the end of the year.

In the non-manufacturing sector, the index for large companies rose from 4.8 points to five and was forecast to retreat to 4.9 points by year's end.

The index for small to medium-sized non-manufacturers rose from 3.3 points to 3.4 but was expected to decline to 2.4 in the coming months.

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#90254d6910 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 11) - Some 120 extra police and traffic wardens were called in to enforce draconian new parking regulations which came into force in the traffic-snarled centre of Paris Tuesday.

City authorities decided to introduce "red roads" banning cars from parking along some central boulevards and on the south bank of the river Seine in order to ease the traffic jams in the city centre which have increased by 400 percent in the past 10 years.

The "red roads", on a north-south, east-west axis cover a total 27 kilometres (17-miles). Delivery vehicles are also affected by the new measures, and are only allowed to park on the "red roads" overnight and in the morning.

No longer will Parisians be able to leave their car double parked while they grab a quick coffee in a street cafe, or stop outside a store while a passenger runs inside to do the shopping, police said.

But police on Tuesday took a lenient attitude towards offenders, warning motorists that if they tried to park, or even stop, on the designated roads from Thursday, their vehicles would be towed to the car pound.

Seven motorists on the north-bound boulevard de Sebastopol were fined 230 francs (43 dollars) on Tuesday morning and informed that they would have to pay three times as much, as well as travel to the car pound, if caught from Thursday.

Some store-owners complained to police that they would be unable to receive deliveries, with one threatening to start a protest petition. A police officer explained that special delivery zones had been set up, but admitted that in some parts of the centre, such as the streets where the rag trade is located "it will be difficult to work out".

Paris mayor Jacques Chirac has promised to create a total 130,000 extra fee-paying parking spaces to compensate for the parking ban, which is to be extended to cover 100 kilometres (60 miles) at a later stage.

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#90254d6920 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAPE TOWN (SEPT. 11) - Seven more political prisoners were freed here Tuesday under an accord between the government and the black nationalist African National Congress (ANC), an AFP correspondent said.

Eighteen prisoners have now been released since the second historic session of preliminary talks between the two sides in Pretoria on August 6.

Justice Minister Kobie Coetsee said on August 31, the day before releases were due to start in terms of the accord, that a joint working group had failed to meet to identify candidates, so only 15 prisoners would be freed, instead of the 125 expected by the ANC.

ANC spokesman Saki Macozoma told AFP in Johannesburg Monday that the working group had now begun meeting.

Tuesday's releases included for the first time a prisoner who had not served two-thirds of his sentence and would not normally have qualified for remission, a spokesman for the seven, Anderson Ncivata, told a media conference.

Mr. Ncivata said morale on the notorious Robben Island prison off Cape Town, which had held five of those freed Tuesday, had been high since the signing of the Pretoria Minute, as prisoners now expected to be released.

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#90254d6980 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (SEPT. 11) - The West German government Tuesday again condemned the Iraqi ''aggression'' against Kuwait and called for Iraq's pullout from the oil-rich Gulf state.

The state minister at the foreign ministry, Helmut Schaefer, said Iraq has plunged the world into a deep crisis by invading Kuwait on August 2 and later annexing it.

Speaking at a ceremony in honor of the Iranian ambassador to Bonn, who is to return home at the end of his assignment, Schaefer said West Germany would intensify its cooperation with Iran.

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#90254d7000 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT 11) - The Dalai Lama predicted a breakthrough in Tibet's stalemate with China in the coming decade but warned there was a "serious" danger of Tibetans being pushed aside under swelling Chinese immigration.

"Once the Chinese government's attitude becomes more open, more reasonable,

then there is a real opportunity to discuss" the situation in Tibet, the Dalai Lama said.

"We are not against the Chinese," the exiled spiritual leader of Tibet told reporters during a 45-minute news conference at a hotel near London's Heathrow airport.

"I am hopeful" that a dialogue with Beijing could be opened within five to 10 years, he said.

The Dalai Lama, 55, reiterated that he had no plans to be the leader or a member of a future Tibetan government, saying any Tibetan administration should be elected democratically by the Tibetan people.

"I'm quite sure that within a few years things will change for the better -- that means more democracy, more freedom," he said.

"There is a basic desire that human beings have for democracy and freedom and no force can stop that," the Dalai Lama added.

He said there were "signs of softening on certain points" within China's hardline leadership and asserted that with the fall of the Berlin Wall and the spreading of democracy throughout eastern Europe change in China could no be far behind.

"Outside world opinion makes a tremendous impact on the Chinese mind," he said, adding that Chinese authorities were compelled to lift martial law in Beijing as a result of world pressure.

He confirmed that hundreds of people were killed in Lhasa prior to China's declaration of martial law there on March 8, 1989, but said he had heard of figures ranging from 200 to 800.

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#90254d7010 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (SEPT. 11) - South African Foreign Minister Pik Botha met black African leaders including the Prime Minister of Benin Nicephore Soglo on his two-day trip to the Ivory Coast, his spokesman Pieter Swanepoel confirmed Tuesday.

Mr. Botha held informal talks with the delegations Senegal and Ghana sent to Yamoussoukro for Monday's consecration by Pope John Paul II of the giant Basilica of Our Lady of Peace, the controversial brainchild of Ivory Coast President Felix Houphouet-Boigny.

Mr. Botha also met a French delegation headed by former premier and mayor of Paris Jacques Chirac, Mr. Swanepoel said.

Observers here said the invitation of Mr. Botha to the consecration ceremony was further evidence of the growing acceptance of South Africa by black African nations.

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#90254d7020 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (SEPT 11) - Bangladesh, one of the world's poorest countries, will loose 500 million dollars annually because of the Gulf conflict, the government announced Tuesday.

Finance Minister Abdul Munim said bangladesh would loose 100 million dollars in home remittances from its nationals who worked in Kuwait before the August 2 Iraqi invasion.

If the crisis continues, home remittances lost will be about 250 million dollars annually, he said.

An estimated 80,000 Bangladeshis worked in Kuwait and another 30,000 in Iraq, but officials said over 80 per cent of them want to return home after the invasion.

Losses in exports, mainly fresh food, to the Gulf state account for more than 200 million dollars a year, Munim said.

Finance ministry officials also expressed concern over the fate of 56 million dollars in aid pledged by Kuwaiti for 1990.

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#90254d7080 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (SEPT. 11) - Bangladesh has decided to wind up its embassy in occupied Kuwait and recall home all its diplomatic personnel, a foreign ministry spokesman said Tuesday.

The spokesman said the decision was taken in view of the worsening situation in Kuwait, which was occupied by Iraq on August 2.

''The embassy is unable to function and discharge consular duties,'' he said. Iraqi troops have cut power and water to diplomatic missions in a bid to force them to close.

Bangladesh, however, confirmed that it still recognises the government of exiled Kuwaiti emir Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed as-Sabah.

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#90254d7100 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 11) - British shipping operator Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation (P and O) said Tuesday its taxable profit plunged 22 per cent in the first half of this year to 132.1 million pounds (249 million dollars) from 169.3 million (319 million dollars).

Turnover was up 23 per cent over the first half of last year at 2.35 billion pounds (4.4 billion dollars) from 1.91 billion (3.6 billion dollars), but the group warned that its overall result for the year would be down on last year's level.

"The current difficult conditions at home and abroad, probably extending into 1991, leave few of our activities untouched," group chairman Sir Jeffrey Sterling said.

The profit figure was below market forecasts of as much as 160 million pounds, and the results were "worse than they seem" given that they included profits from the sale of some of P and O's ships, said Charles Pick, an analyst with the Nomura Research Institute.

Earnings per share fell 24 per cent to 21.4 pence but interim dividend improved eight per cent to 13.5.

P and O shares lost 12 pence in early trading in London on the news, but had recovered by midday to stand unchanged at 495 pence, as the market was "quite pleased by the dividend," Mr. Pick said.

First half profit was dragged down by a two-thirds drop in profit in the construction division, to 27 million pounds (50.9 million dollars) from 82.4 million (155.4 million dollars).

The group also saw interest payments rise sharply, to 55.3 million pounds from 31.5 million in the first half of last year.

P and O's best performance came in its ferry and cruise ship operations, which saw profit rise 63 per cent to 47.7 million pounds from 29.2 million.

The improvement was largely thanks to Princess Cruises, which took delivery of two new super-liners and P and O European Ferries, whose market share is increasing, Sir Jeffrey said.

The results were released the day after P and O European Ferries and seven employees went on trial in London on manslaughter charges over the March 1987 sinking of the ferry Herald of Free Enterprise in which 193 people died.

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#90254d7120 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GENEVA (SEPT 11) - The international airlift to repatriate refugees from Iraq begun at the beginning of the month will have flown 42,000 refugees out of Jordan by September 22, the International Organisation for Migration (Iom) announced Tuesday.

An Iom spokesman said there were currently between six to eight flights daily, and that the number of refugees in Jordan, put at 105,000 a week ago, had decreased to about 75,000. The situation is beginning to normalise, the spokesman said.

The first airlift includes 110 flights to Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, the Philippines, Egypt, India and Pakistan. According to the United Nations Disaster Relief Organisation (Undro), which is coordinating the repatriation efforts, the flights don't include those organised by the individual countries themselves.

The Iom spokesman praised not only the work of Undro but also Jordan's assistance and the increased generosity of the donor countries. Some 36 million dollars has been pledged in the space of a week, the spokesman said.

The spokesman added that a Greek and a Pakistani ship - having a combined capacity of about 6,600 passengers - might be used in the repatriation efforts.

The Iom said it did not anticipate another sudden wave of refugees fleeing into Jordan, although approximately 2 million foreign workers are said to have remained in Iraq and Kuwait.

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#90254d7130 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BREMEN, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 11) - A bremen company Tuesday announced plans to convert Soviet tanks for heavy firefghting duty.

The company - Kbl (Coordination Office for Logistics) - plans to experiment initially with two T 55 tanks made available by the Soviet Defense Ministry.

Spokesman Fred Waschkowski said the T 55 was especially suited because of its robustness and simplicity of design.

It would be possible to equip it with tanks for 18,000 litres of water, and send it into the thick of a fotest fire with little risk to the crew, meaning major blazes could be countered at source.

Other possible uses would be fires at nuclear reactors or airports. A

further advantage of the plan was that large numbers of T 55 tanks were available after the Soviet pull-out from East Germany.

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MANAMA (SEPT. 11) - Almost six weeks after the Iraqi invasion of flourishing, wealthy Kuwait, refugees now describe it as a ''dying country''.

Westerners have gone into hiding and live in constant fear of being discovered by Iraqi soldiers. Food is growing increasingly scarce. Electricity and water are being shut off more frequently. All contact with the outside world has been cut off.

Businesses and public buildings are plundered by Iraqi soldiers. ''Everyone is afraid,'' said an Indian who recently left the country for Dubai by boat with 800 of his countrymen.

At night, the quiet is repeatedly shattered by the sound of gunfire and exploding grenades. ''I'm still scared, and whenever I hear a loud noise, I feel it's the gunfire in Kuwait,'' said an Indian woman who fled.

When daylight comes, the charred remains of Iraqi military vehicles are mute testimony of attacks by Kuwaiti resistance groups.

Despite Kuwaiti resistance and international pressure, Iraq's grip on its ''19th province'' is tightening. Kuwait's ambassador to the United Nations reports that Iraqi troops have openly shot and killed civilians and have carried out mass arrests.

Citizens caught concealing foreigners face the death penalty. By Saturday, they must surrender all of their weapons.

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#90254d7200 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (SEPT. 11) - The split in Arab ranks over Iraq's invasion of Kuwait deepened Tuesday after the Arab League defied Baghdad by formally proclaiming the return of its headquarters to the Egyptian capital.

Twelve of the League's 21 members voted unanimously here Monday to return the headquarters to the banks of the Nile by October 31, effectively ending an 11-year exile in Tunis caused by Egypt's 1979 peace treaty with Israel.

The move was taken at an emergency ministerial meeting branded by Baghdad as illegal and marred by the absence of Iraq and eight other members that have either openly backed or refused to condemn the invasion of Kuwait.

Iraq, a strong supporter of Egypt before the Gulf crisis, had been named to head the committee formed to oversee the transfer when Arab ministers decided in March that the League should be moved back to Cairo before July 1991.

The committee's report was originally to have been presented to an ordinary ministerial meeting in Tunis later this month. But the Iraqi invasion, strongly condemned by Egypt which sent troops to the Gulf, turned everything around.

Charging that Egypt was no longer impartial and could not therefore host the Arab League, Iraq called on the body -- which was founded here 45 years ago -- to reconsider its original transfer decision.

The situation is complicated by the fact that Tunisia, a key player in the issue, appears to be in the Iraqi camp and did not take part in Monday's meeting, although it was named to a new committee to oversee the transfer.

Other members that refused to attend were Algeria, Jordan, Libya, the Palestine Liberation Organisation, Sudan, Mauritania and Yemen.

Egypt, which along with Saudi Arabia heads the anti-Iraqi coalition formed after the invasion of Kuwait, moved quickly to ensure that the new split in the Arab world would not scupper plans for the transfer.

The report of the original Iraqi-led committee was to have been heard at an ordinary ministerial conference in Tunis September 17.

But Egypt won a majority vote at a ministerial meeting here on August 30-31 for the transfer to be expedited, despite protests from Iraq and Tunisia, and was able to keep its opponents at bay for Monday's official proclamation.

Cairo was backed by Bahrain, Djibouti, Kuwait, Lebanon, Morocco, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Syria and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) -- all the countries in the anti-Iraqi camp.

Morocco attended at the last minute but voiced caution over proclaiming the transfer amid such a deep split, which had been illustrated by the resignation of League Secretary General Chedli Klibi on September 3 after 11 years in the post.

A new overseeing committee was named with representatives of Egypt, Morocco, Syria, Tunisia and the UAE. But a first meeting scheduled for Tuesday in Cairo was called off to allow preliminary talks with Tunis, Egyptian sources said.

Iraq, effectively expelled from the committee, had already warned those who attended the meeting that their decisions would be "null and void" and the proclamation appeared to cement the current division in Arab ranks.

Returning the headquarters to Cairo follows Egypt's reinstatement to the League in May 1989, after a 10-year suspension, and was to have consecrated the country's diplomatic return as a leading Arab power.

Tunisia, which under the March decision will continue to host several League bodies, is pushing for alternative headquarter status, similar to that of Geneva in the United Nations. A new League building is being built in Tunis.

But the meeting Monday in Tunisia's absence confirmed that Tunis would retain only the Arab State Broadcasting Union, the council of Arab interior ministers and the League's Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organisation.

Finding a new secretary general meanwhile appears impossible as a two thirds majority is necessary to elect a replacement for Mr. Klibi. His deputy, Assaad al-Assaad, has assumed the post on an interim basis.

The next ordinary meeting of Arab League foreign ministers was postponed Monday from September 17 to 27.

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#90254d7240 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (SEPT 11) - Major world powers must continue to put pressure on Cambodia's warring factions if the collapse of a United Nations-brokered peace agreement to end the near 12-year war there is to be avoided, diplomats said here Tuesday.

China, the United States and the Soviet Union have put strong pressure over the past weeks on the guerrilla coalition and the Phnom Penh government leading to a major breakthrough and an agreement here Monday along the lines of the plan drawn up by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council.

The diplomats, who monitor developments in Cambodia, said China, in particular, would have to continue working on the Beijing-backed Marxist Khmer Rouge, the military muscle of the coalition, for it to show the necessary flexibility for a settlement to be finalised.

The Phnom Penh government, supported by Moscow-ally Vietnam, and the coalition, grouping the Khmer Rouge with two U.S.-aided non-communist groups, have accepted the Security Council plan giving the United Nations broad executive powers to keep peace in Cambodia.

They have also formed a Supreme National Council (SNC) under the plan with six seats each going to Phnom Penh and the guerrilla coalition.

China, the Soviet Union and the United States are permanent members of the Security Council, as well as Britain and France.

The Jakarta accord must now be taken to an international conference on Cambodia in Paris to be completed and finalized.

Phnom Penh and the Khmer Rouge, Cambodia's former ruling group driven from power in January 1979 by a Vietnamese invasion, both said Tuesday that swift action should be taken on the agreement reached after a two-day meeting chaired by Indonesia and France.

But, in a sign of possible future problems, the factions were unable to hold a proposed informal meeting of officials to discuss the first meeting of the SNC as the Khmer Rouge did not turn up, Cambodian sources said.

"This is clear evidence of the need for constant pressure to be applied by the world powers on their proteges," one diplomat said.

The SNC meeting is a matter of urgency as the council is due to take over Cambodia's seat in the U.N. formerly held by the guerrillas.

The issue is due to be discussed at the opening of the U.N. General Assembly in New York on September 18.

A senior Phnom Penh official refrained from calling the non-appearance by the Khmer Rouge a snub, but the minister attached to the prime minister's office, Hor Nam Hong charged that "the Khmer Rouge is in no hurry to hold discussions."

Mr. Hor Nam Hong said his group had been prepared to have the first meeting of the SNC, which is to be a largely symbolic body and delegate much of its authority to a U.N. Transitional Authority in Cambodia (UNTAC), as soon as Wednesday or Thursday in Jakarta.

Phnom Penh, he said, had hoped the council could discuss sending a joint delegation to the U.N., self-restraint on the battlefield ahead of a formal ceasefire, and a moratorium on aid to the factions from outside powers.

On leaving here Khmer Rouge delegates said, however, that they wanted the U.N. to move into Cambodia quickly to supervise peace.

China's massive military assistance to the Khmer Rouge has allowed the faction, blamed for the killings of hundreds of thousands during its rule over Cambodia between 1975 and 1979, to remain a powerful guerrilla force

infiltrating most of Cambodia.

Asked what extra action the United States could now take toward peace in Cambodia, one diplomat said it should "help Thailand stop the flow of Chinese arms going to the guerrillas, if not completely, at least the bulk of it."

Thailand has served as a conduit for Beijing's military supplies to the Khmer Rouge and in smaller quantities to the two non-communist groups comprising supporters of former monarch Prince Norodom Sihanouk and those of former prime minister Son Sann.

Among problems that remain to be settled ahead of a final agreement, diplomats identified as particularly difficult the institution of a ceasefire that would hold and the formulation of election regulations that would be accepted by the adversaries.

"The Khmer Rouge, for instance, is in effect required to undergo a somewhat radical transformation from an autocratic, powerful military force to a democratically-inclined political movement," one said.

Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas, who has been given much of the credit for the agreement, warned Monday that a "rough" road lay ahead.

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#90254d7310 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (SEPT. 11) - Soviet and U.S. policy analysts called here Tuesday for Moscow and Washington to join forces to push their respective Korean allies into a stable peace, using the superpower Middle East consensus as an example.

Though from different perspectives, Michael Nossov of Moscow's U.S. and Canada Institute and Benjamin Lambeth of the Rand Corporation called for a superpower alliance of sorts, which would put regional stability above the interests of Seoul and Pyongyang if necessary.

The two men represent think tanks that carry weight within their own countries and often reflect official thinking. They are attending a seminar on the "New Order" in Asia in the 1990s sponsored by the government Unification Board.

Since the creation of the rival republics in 1948, Washington has backed its ally, the capitalist South, while the Soviet Union has done the same for the communist North.

Their arguments came one week after an unprecedented meeting here between the prime ministers of the North and South, a meeting diplomats say was

made possible in part by Soviet pressure on Pyongyang to be open to dialogue.

It also follows a visit to North Korea last week by Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevarnadze, who said after leaving that Pyongyang could not interfere with the development of relations between Moscow and Seoul.

Asked about reports here Monday that Moscow and Seoul would seal ties in November, Mr. Nossov said "let's keep our finger crossed."

He said in the paper he presented that Moscow and Washington should discuss ceasing military activities in the peninsula and the "further cessation of military assistance rendered to the Korean states."

The two superpowers should also agree to "reject any form of aggression on the peninsula," informing both the "South and North leadership about the results of such agreement," Mr. Nossov said.

"Demonstration of Soviet-American consensus on the Korean problem would sufficiently strengthen Soviet and American positions in their dialogue with Korean leaders," the Soviet analyst said.

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#90254d7340 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (SEPT. 11) - After decades of absolute monarchy, Nepal's Constitution Recommendation Commission (CRC) has drafted a document limiting the king's powers and guaranteeing fundamental rights.

King Birendra received the draft constitution at the palace Monday in a ceremony attended by Prime Minister Krishna Prasad Bhattarai, his cabinet colleagues and CRC members representing all political parties.

Under the draft constitution, to be promulgated after its review by the Council of Ministers, the Nepalese monarch will remain a "nominal figurehead" acting on the advice of the council.

Analysts said Tuesday that the document, with 134 articles and sub-articles, appears primarily aimed at curtailing the absolute power of the king while retaining the longstanding dominance of the Hindu religion.

Among its provisions:

- that the king retain emergency powers to be wielded only on the advice of the cabinet

- that parliament must ratify within one month decisions taken under this provision, which cannot be used to scrap the multi-party system

- that the army be controlled by a national defence council headed by an elected prime minister and including the chief of army staff, field marshall, and home, foreign and defense ministers

- that the judiciary be governed by a council headed by the prime minister, who will appoint Supreme Court and other judges on a permanent basis

- that the parliament be empowered to impeach judges

- that capital punishment be abolished except for attempts of the life of the monarch or his family

The document also envisions a bicameral parliament comprising a lower house of 175 elected members and upper house of 60 members, of whom 10 per cent will be nominated by the king on the advice of the government.

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#90254d7360 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (SEPT 11) - West Germany said Tuesday that it would pay a total of 12 billion Deutsche marks (7.5 billion dollars) to Moscow in exchange for the withdrawal of the estimated 380,000 Red Army soldiers from East Germany. The sum will help cover the costs of transporting and resettling the Soviet soldiers, the last of whom are due to leave East Germany by December 31 1994.

On Monday, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze announced that an agreement had been reached in principle but did not name any figure. West Germany Finance Secretary Horst Koehler, who is handling the negotiations with Moscow, went to Moscow on Tuesday to discuss how the sum is to be allocated. The main lines of the troops withdrawal were agreed upon last Thursday by West German and Soviet negotiators but the financial issue was left unresolved.

It took two telephone calls between Chancellor Helmut Kohl and President Mikhail Gorbachev on Friday and on Monday to finalise the agreement just two days ahead of the next round of the "Two-plus-Four" talks on German reunification to be held Wednesday in Moscow.

On Tuesday, a spokesman for the Soviet president said Gorbachev's decision on whether to attend German reunification celebrations on October 3 in Berlin would depend on the outcome of the "Two-plus-four" negotiations.

"President Gorbachev's presence in Berlin is still under discussion. The Chancellor (Helmut Kohl) brought up the matter during their phone call (on Monday)," said Vitaly Ignatenko.

He said the decision depended on the success of the talks between the two German states and the victorious World War II allies: United States, Soviet Union, Britain and France on the external aspects of German unification.

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#90254d7450 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 11) - Bar girls and villagers armed with clubs and bottles halted a leftwing rally against U.S. bases north of here on Tuesday while a similar rally in Manila was dispersed when a riot policeman accidentally dropped a teargas canister.

About 100 bar girls and local people who appreciate the free-spending U.S. servicemen, blocked the road leading to the U.S. Clark Air Base to prevent a group of 70 leftist students from staging a protest rally there, witnesses said.

The demonstrators were forced to retreat after a brief but heated confrontation with the bar girls and went to hold their protest elsewhere.

Communities outside the U.S. bases are often highly dependent on the patronage of base personnel.

Another anti-U.S. bases rally by some 200 leftist students in Manila was dispersed Tuesday when a riot-policeman monitoring the demonstration accidentally dropped the tear-gas canister he was carrying.

Meanwhile, Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus said here Tuesday that talks on the future of U.S. bases in the Philippines would be held here despite reports of security concerns.

He dismissed speculation that the talks which the U.S. Embassy here said would start Monday, would be held outside the Philippines following threats by communist insurgents to attack American personnel.

Communist insurgents, who oppose the presence of U.S. bases in this country killed two U.S. airmen just outside Clark Air Base in the northern Philippines shortly before the first phase of the talks began last May.

Eight U.S. base personnel have been killed by communist insurgents since 1987 and a U.S. Peace Corps worker was kidnapped by the guerrillas early this year.

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#90254d7470 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (SEPT 11) - The United Nations Disaster Relief Organization (UNDRO) announced Tuesday that the number of people living in camps in

Jordan after fleeing Iraq had dropped for the first time since the start of the Gulf crisis.

On Sunday and Monday, 7,160 foreign nationals left Jordan as against 3,078 arriving, a UNDRO spokesman here said.

UNDRO earlier gave details of the number of displaced persons in Egypt, Iran, Turkey and Syria, in what officials described here Monday as a bid to put an end to "often contradictory reports".

On Monday, there were 74,790 people in Jordanian camps, including 38,000 in the Ruweished region bordering Iraq (17,500 at Shalan-1 transit camp, 14,000 at Shalan-2, 3,500 at Shalan-3 and 3,000 at the border post).

In the Amman region there were 37,000 people, mostly on the International Fair Site and at Andalus.

International Organization for Migration (IOM) spokesman Rolf Jenny meanwhile said Tuesday on returning from Jordan that the Geneva-based IOM was currently undertaking between six and eight repatriation flights a day, mainly to Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and the Philippines.

The IOM had also started flying nationals home to Egypt, India and Pakistan at the request of the governments concerned, Mr. Jenny said, adding that he was grateful to donors who had provided a total of 36 million dollars for repatriation operations.

By Monday, the IOM had chartered 24 flights, not including those organized by governments. The IOM has asked other governments to follow the French example of lending a Boeing 747.

"I think we can handle it," if the number of displaced persons increases, Mr. Jenny said, but he added that the situation in the desert transit camps was "still relatively precarious", though international humanitarian organizations were working well together.

On people from Iraq and occupied Kuwait who have gone to other Middle East nations and Turkey, UNDRO has released the following figures:

- Egypt: Some 200,000 Egyptians have returned home and been taken in charge by Red Crescent organizations in 26 districts. There were also 20,000 Kuwaitis in Cairo. UNDRO stated that the situation was "currently in hand" but could deteriorate with more arrivals.

- Iran: By last Thursday, 19,363 foreign nationals from Iraq and Kuwait had crossed into Iran. They included some 13,300 Pakistanis, with Bangladeshis, Sri Lankans, Indians and Afghans.

A U.N. team reported that up to 60,000 people were expected to arrive soon at the Bazargan border post. Thousands of people waiting to cross Iran needed "urgent assistance".

- Syria: Some 50,000 Syrians were back from Iraq and Kuwait, of whom about half needed aid. Syria has also taken in some 10,000 people from other Arab nations, of whom some have been repatriated to Lebanon and Egypt. It is hosting a number of Lebanese and Palestinians.

- Turkey: Most of the estimated 26,000 people who have fled to Turkey have been repatriated by airlift from Adana or overland via Iran. By Thursday, the number of people arriving daily at the Habur border post with Iraq had fallen from more than 1,500 to a few hundred.

On Monday, there ware reportedly 2,000 people on the Iraqi side of the border and up to 60,000 more in Iraq's nearby Zakho region waiting to leave. Turkey has announced that as of Tuesday it can only take in 300 Bangladeshi nationals a day through Habur, since a Red Crescent camp near the border cannot take in more than the current 5,000 Bangladeshis there. Turkish Airways was Tuesday to begin supplementing repatriation flights already undertaken by Bangladesh's Biman carrier.

In addition to the preferred method of relief flights, Mr. Jenny said Tuesday that the IOM was chartering two boats, a Pakistani-flagged vessel with a capacity of 1,600 and a Greek ship capable of carrying 5,000. Both would be used for repatriating Sri Lankans.

Mr. Jenny said there were still some two million foreigners in Iraq, "often in a precarious situation", including some 1.5 million Egyptians, whose plans were not known.

In Kuwait, there remained some 100,000 Sri Lankans, including many women employed as servants.

The U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees meanwhile reported that among those in Jordan were some 500 Ethiopians and Tamils from Sri Lanka who were fearful of returning home. The number of refugees could increase, his office warned. There were also a few dozen Iraqis asking for refugee status.

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#90254d7510 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (SEPT 11) - University students and schoolchildren in Iraq will not have to wear uniforms in the coming academic year because of the economic sanctions against Baghdad, an official source said here Tuesday.

The source said Iraq had decided to suspend a decree that calls for

students as well as public employees to wear uniforms. The decision was taken "because of the current circumstances and the economic embargo against Iraq," he said.

Schools and universities are due to reopen in late September and early October.

Iraq's acting agriculture minister, Abdallah Badr Danouk, said meanwhile that the embargo would fail "just as the military option has failed," referring to the massive U.S.-led military build-up in the Gulf.

Mr. Danouk, quoted by Baghdad newspapers, said his ministry would from mid-September start to distribute plants and fertilizers for Iraqis to grow vegetables in small plots of land or their gardens.

To confront the U.N. embargo imposed after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2, the authorities have exempted agricultural workers from army reservist duty and mounted a campaign to cultivate all arable land.

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#90254d7600 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIRUT (SEPT 11) - Israeli artillery Tuesday shelled positions of Moslem fundamentalist groups in Syrian-policed eastern Lebanon, wounding 10 militiamen, security sources said.

The sources said Israeli artillery installed inside Israel's self-declared security zone fired 150 mm shells on positions of the Islamic Resistance Movement in the villages of Louaizeh and Jabal Safi, 45 kilometres southeast of Beirut.

At least 10 resistance fighters were wounded, the sources added.

The Islamic Resistance Movement, equipped and financed by Iran, advocates fighting Israel until the liberation of south Lebanon and Palestine.

Israel established the security zone in 1985 in order to prevent infiltration attempts by Lebanese and Palestinian guerrillas.

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#90254d7680 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT 11) - The parliament of Boris Yeltsin's Russian republic on Tuesday adopted the so-called Shatalin plan for moves towards a market economy, the TASS news agency said.

The agency said the Supreme Soviet of the largest Russian republic had taken a "big step forward towards a market economy" by adopting the

radical text based on the Russian republican leader Mr. Yeltsin's "500 day" project for sweeping economic reform.

The announcement came as the Soviet parliament was locked in stormy debate over the choice of plans to overhaul the ailing economy.

The Shatalin plan was drawn up by Stanislav Shatalin, economic advisor to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, in a committee headed by Mr. Gorbachev and Mr. Yeltsin.

More conservative proposals have been made by the government of Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov, but were rejected by the Soviet parliament.

The Russian parliament also recommended that the next congress of Russian deputies opening November 19 study any constitutional amendments necessary for applying the Shatalin program, Tass said.

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#90254d7690 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT 11) - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher on Tuesday chaired a ministerial meeting devoted notably to the make-up of British military reinforcements to be deployed in the Gulf, a source close to the government said here.

No official announcement was made after the meeting, which a spokesman for Mrs. Thatcher said was part of a regular series.

Mrs. Thatcher last Thursday told parliament that the government planned to reinforce the naval and air forces deployed in the Gulf since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

She said there was a need for more British forces to be deployed, adding that the government was studying their composition. The remark sparked speculation in political circles that ground troops could be deployed alongside U.S. soldiers in Saudi Arabia.

"If Iraq's aggression were allowed to succeed, no small state could ever feel safe again," Mrs. Thatcher said, opening a parliamentary debate.

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#90254d7780 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT 11) - President George Bush Tuesday was due in a speech to Congress to prepare Americans for the idea of a long-term U.S. troop presence in the Gulf region.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said this would be the main message

of a speech giving a progress report on the troop build-up and U.S.-Soviet relations after Sunday's Helsinki summit.

The New York Times reported that at the summit Bush had removed reservations about an increased Soviet diplomatic role in the Gulf crisis, inviting President Mikhail Gorbachev to do more.

The report said Washington was now also willing to cooperate with Moscow in the whole issue of the Arab-Israeli conflict, and some sort of Middle East peace conference was being considered.

Observers said the Bush administration was generally satisfied about the effectiveness of international sanctions against Iraq, except for concern over Iraq's approaches to Iran for help.

Meanwhile pressure on embassies still open in occupied Kuwait increased, with U.S. officials quoted by the New York Times as saying life had become ''extremely difficult'' in the U.S. mission.

The diplomats - believed to number eight - in the building, surrounded by Iraqi troops, were finding it difficult to get food and stocks were dwindling.

Switzerland said it was withdrawing its charge d'affaires and chancellory chief and moving them to Baghdad, where they would be safer, although Berne did not recognize Iraq's annexation of Kuwait.

Bangladesh also said it was winding up its embassy in occupied Kuwait and recalling all its diplomatic personnel. A foreign Ministry spokesman said this was because of the worsening situation.

The Bangladesh government announced that it would loose 500 million dollars annually because of the Gulf conflict, about half in expatriot workers' remittances, and half in lost food exports.

In Paris exiled Prime Minister Sheikh Saad al-Abdallah as-Sabah said Kuwait would to convene a people's congress to determine ''all aspects'' of the country's future after its annexation.

He said Kuwaitis in exile would accept nothing less than full implementation of U.N. resolutions calling for withdrawal of Iraqi forces and installation of a legitimate government in Kuwait.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said France would provide four ships to help U.S. troop transports to the Gulf. It would also send military planes and a passenger plane to help transport Asian refugees from Iraq and Kuwait back to their home countries.

In Geneva, the International Organisation for Migration (Iom) said the international airlift to repatriate refugees from Iraq will have flown 42,000 refugees out of Jordan by September 22.

A spokesman said there were between six to eight flights daily, and the number of refugees in Jordan, put at 105,000 a week ago, had dropped to about 75,000. The situation was beginning to normalise.

The first airlift included 110 flights to Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, the Philippines, Egypt, India and Pakistan. The United Nations Disaster Relief Organisation (Undro), which is coordinating the repatriation efforts, said the flights did not include those organised by the individual countries themselves.

The Iom spokesman praised not only the work of Undro but also Jordan's assistance and the increased generosity of the donor countries. Some 36 million dollars had been pledged in the space of a week, the spokesman said.

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#90254d7850 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TAIPEI (SEPT. 11) - A strong earthquake measuring 5.7 on the Richter scale jolted central Taiwan late Tuesday, the Central Weather Bureau said.

No damage or casualties were immediately reported.

The earthquake, which struck at 10:09 p.m. (1409 GMT), originated in the mountains in central Taiwan, the weather bureau said.

Its epicenter was 45 kilometers (27 miles) west of Taitung on the east coast at a depth of 34.3 kilometers (20.6 miles), the bureau added.

An earthquake of magnitude six on the open-ended Richter scale can cause severe damage in populated areas.

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#90254d7910 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 11) - Gold continued to fall in London on Tuesday, pulled down by a feeling that Gulf tension was easing and platinum followed suit, hitting its lowest level in two and a half years.

Gold was down to 377.25 dollars an ounce against 378.40 at the morning fixing and 385.25 at Monday's close, after losing 1.75 dollars on Monday.

Platinum, weakened by fears of general recession because it is principally used in industry, plunged 11.75 dollars an ounce over Monday's close to

459.25 dollars, its lowest level since February 1988.

Silver was also lower, at 4.76 dollars an ounce against 4.79 at Monday's close.

Market analysts said that the fall in the gold price was largely due to fluctuations in the oil price and a fading of fears of imminent U.S. military intervention in the Gulf.

Brent North Sea crude oil for October delivery was up to 30.10 dollars a barrel at midday in London from 29.05 at Monday's close, but this was still below Friday's peak of 31.85 dollars, the highest in five years.

The market generally saw the weekend display of superpower unity over the Iraqi question as favouring a diplomatic solution to the Gulf crisis.

But analysts were still moderately optimistic over the future of gold prices, and Mike Long of James Capel was predicting an average price for 1990 of 400 dollars an ounce, against 382 in 1989, with 390 dollars an ounce in the first half and 410 dollars in the second half.

"We expect a firmer price in the fourth quarter as purchases for jewellery pick up for the Christmas trade ... but we do not expect a terrific rise," he said.

Geoff Campbell of Ord. Minnett said he was "quite optimistic" for prices given the instability in the Gulf, and predicted prices would go above 400 dollars, which in turn would stimulate buying interest.

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#90254d7950 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 11) - The exiled dissident Federation for Democracy in China (FDC) will hold its second congress on September 22-24 in San Francisco, California, the FDC officially announced here Tuesday.

According to a document made available to Agence France-Presse, the agenda will include the election of new FDC leaders, amendments to and the adoption of the movement's charter, a political statement and the review of reports from a number of working parties.

Current FDC Chairman Yan Jiaqi, a former advisor to Chinese Communist Party ex-secretary general Zhao Ziyang, has indicated that he does not want to stand again.

The FDC, formed by dissidents exiled after the repression of the Chinese pro-democracy movement in June last year, held its constituent congress in Paris and the Paris suburbs on September 22-24, 1989.

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#90254d7960 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (SEPT 11) - Liberian rebels led by Prince Yormie Johnson are hunting down the remnants of slain President Samuel Doe's army, reports said Tuesday.

British Broadcasting Corporation correspondent Elizabeth Blunt, the sole Western reporter in Monrovia, said some of Doe's followers had been pushed back to the fortified executive mansion, where they were defending themselves with heavy artillery. Others have either surrendered or removed their uniforms in an attempt to escape.

Blunt reported that Doe's closest advisors were desperately trying to negotiate their departure from the country.

In Harara, Zimbabwe, the chairman of the Economic Community of West African States (Ecowas), Dawda Jawara of Gambia, said he had instructed the commander of the Ecowas peacekeeping force in Liberia to grant protection to Doe's followers and relatives.

Doe's wife and children have been in Britain for months.

Doe, who gained power in a bloody coup in 1980, was wounded and captured by Johnson's troops on Sunday. Eyewitnesses said his mutilated corpse was put on display at a clinic on the outskirts of Monrovia.

In a telephone call to the Bbc, Johnson said he would serve as president until a new government was elected. Johnson's rival, Charles Taylor, who began the uprising against Doe on December 24, 1989, announced over radio station Elbc that he had ordered his troops, which claim to hold 99 per cent of the country, to take the capital.

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#90254d8060 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT 11) - Japanese electronics giant Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. said Tuesday it had set up a company in California to develop inflight communications equipment for airline passengers.

The new company, Matsushita Avionics Development Corp., is the company's seventh research unit in the United States and follows the establishment of Matsushita Avionics Systems Corp. in Seattle in 1981.

"The new company will work closely with the U.S. aircraft and airline industry on creating an advanced computerised audio-video entertainment and passenger management system for planes of the future," a statement said.

Equipment developed by the new company will be produced in Japan.

Matsushita, the world's biggest consumer electronics concern, said its Seattle unit already held the leading market share for in-flight audio systems.

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#90254d8070 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 11) - Black leader Nelson Mandela Tuesday warned that factional violence currently wracking South Africa could threaten peace talks between the African National Congress (Anc) and the government.

The Anc deputy president met State President Frederik de Klerk in the capital Pretoria to discuss a power struggle between supporters of the Zulu Inkatha Freedom Party (Ifp) and Anc backers that has claimed some 4,000 lives in four years in eastern Natal province.

''No doubt the peace process is in distress,'' Mandela said, adding that his organisation would do everything in its power to ensure the negotiations remained on course.

The Natal fighting spilt over into townships around Johannesburg in August, and by Tuesday had claimed some 600 lives as Inkatha-supporting migrant workers clashed with local residents, many of whom support the Anc.

The government responded to the violence by declaring emergency rule in 27 townships around Johannesburg, but the Anc has accused police of impartiality in the conflict.

''The government came under heavy attack for its failure to take visible measures to deal with the situation,'' Mandela said.

Meanwhile, the death toll in renewed violence in townships east and west of Johannesburg rose to over 60 by sunset Tuesday, as police reported finding more bodies.

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#90254d8150 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 11) - The U.S. Air Force's deployment in the Gulf region is nearly complete, Pentagon officials said Tuesday without specifying the numbers involved.

"I think the force is about where we needed to go to provide for this type of contingency," said General Jimmie Adams, Deputy Air Force chief of staff for plans and operations.

"We don't want him (Iraqi President Saddam Hussein) to know how many aircraft we've got," he added, stressing he could give no further details.

Analysts estimated the number of U.S. military planes in the Gulf at around 600. Together with land and sea forces, they were dispatched following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and what was perceived as a threat to neighboring Saudi Arabia.

General Henry Viccellio, reponsible for the logistics behind the U.S. military deployment in the Gulf, predicted a "substantial drop-off" in the U.S. military airlift to Saudi Arabia.

The rate of arrivals of U.S. military cargo planes in Saudi Arabia has already been halved from six per hour at the start of Operation Desert Shield.

Since the Gulf crisis began, there have been some 2,500 U.S. Air Force flights to Saudi Arabia carrying 90,000 troops and 72,000 tons of equipment, according to the two Pentagon officials.

Meanwhile, U.S. Army armoured vehicles continued to roll off cargo planes and navy ships. These units should be able to assume offensive positions by the end of October, said other Pentagon sources quoted by the American press.

General Norman Schwarzkopf, commander in chief of the U.S. forces, said in a television interview that 108,000 troops were in the Gulf area, while Defense Department sources requesting anonymity said that number should go up to 200,000 over the coming weeks.

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#90254d8160 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT 11) - Singapore Foreign Minister Wong Kan Seng Tuesday described the Jakarta meeting on Cambodia as ''a major breakthrough'' to end the 11 year-old conflict and urged the immediate convening of the Paris International Conference on Cambodia.

Speaking to reporters, Wong said the agreement of the Cambodian parties to accept the United Nations framework and form a Supreme National Council (Snc) ''is the result of many years of patient work by countries in and outside the region.''

Wong said the peace plan, drawn up by the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council, ''gives the U.N. a major role in administering the country and spells out arrangements in the areas of free elections and guarant ees for Cambodian neutrality, among other things.''

''An end to the long conflict is now in sight, but more work remains to be done and details need to be fleshed out by the permanent members and the Cambodian parties,'' he said.

''I hope the Snc will meet soon and elect Prince Norodom Sihanouk as its chairman for only he has the stature to bring genuine national reconciliation and peace to the country,'' he said.

Wong expressed gratitude to Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas and France for playing a key role in bringing the Cambodian parties together.

He also congratulated the U.N. permanent members for what he called their vision and courage in seizing the opportunity afforded by major international changes.

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#90254d8240 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 11) - The Soviet Union will take part in the annual meetings of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank in Washington in two weeks' time, IMF managing director Michel Camdessus said here Tuesday.

He said he and World Bank president Barber Conable had sent the Soviet government a joint invitation to attend the meetings.

Mr Camdessus said Soviet authorities had still not approached the IMF with a view to joining the Fund. "But they are genuinely interested in doing so " he told Agence France-Presse.

The IMF chief earlier told a news conference he had "very confident and very interesting contacts" with Soviet officials "at all desirable levels" during a visit he paid to Moscow last July at the invitation of the Soviet government.

"I am convinced that these contacts will be expanded over time," he added.

However, Mr Camdessus refused to comment on the progress of work on a joint study of the Soviet economy by the IMF, the World Bank, the Paris-based Organization for Economic Coperation and Development (OECD) and the newly-created European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), which will become operational next year.

He said he would say nothing about this study until he had handed it in, "hopefully before the end of the year", to heads of state or government of the seven major Western industrial countries, who requested it at their Houston economic summit last July.

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#90254d8250 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (SEPT. 11) - The old Arab League headquarters in Cairo began official work for the first time in more than 11 years Tuesday.

In one of the first acts, a committee freed 25 million dollars in assets frozen since 1979 when the legaue moved its headquarters to Tunis after Egypt made a separate peace with Israel.

The Egyptian news agency Mena said an interim secretariart headed by Assad al-Assad from Lebanon discussed the modalities of moving back the league's operations to the Egyptian capital.

Arab foreign ministers Monday confirmed Cairo as the site of the organisation's headquarters, and appointed a committee to supervise the move from Tunisia.

In Tunis, a high-ranking official of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo) proposed that Arab ministers should review their decision, which he said had further deepened the split in the league after Iraq's invasaion of Kuwait.

Farouk Khaddoumi, the Plo's foreign affairs chief, called on ''Arab brothers'' to discuss the issue in Tunis on September 17 when the foreign ministers are due to hold their next regular session.

Observers said Khaddoumi indirectly rejected Monday's decision, which was taken by only 12 of the 21 members of the league. The meeting was boycotted by Iraq, Jordan, Sudan, Yemen, Libya, Tunisia, Algeria, Mauritania and the Plo.

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#90254d8340 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRETORIA (SEPT 11) - Black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela urged the white-minority government here Tuesday to use the army to end the violence he said was now threatening the entire peace process in South Africa.

Mr. Mandela, the deputy president of the African National Congress (ANC), told reporters after a two-and-half hour meeting with President Frederik de Klerk the internecine violence which has claimed well over 600 lives since August 13 would be "a thing of the past" if the army were used.

The government had the capacity to end the violence with the "strong, effective and well-equipped" South African Defence Force (SADF), he said.

The peace process in South Africa had been placed in jeopardy by the

government's failure to stop the killing, Mr. Mandela said.

ANC supporters in black townships around Johannesburg were demanding arms to defend themselves against supporters of the conservative Zulu Inkatha Freedom Party.

"If the government fails to take action and if people continue to demand arms we will find it difficult to to oppose that demand ... The consequences are obvious," Mr. Mandela warned.

Mr. Mandela led 19 senior ANC members into the meeting, called primarily to discuss the virtual civil war in the Natal province where some 4,000 people had been killed in the past four years in battles between ANC supporters and supporters of Inkatha.

Despite a memorandum containing ANC suggestions on how to end the violence, handed to the government two weeks ago, the government had not come up with any positive suggestions on how to end the Natal conflict, Mr. Mandela said.

Mr. De Klerk had told the ANC delegation during Tuesday's meeting the memorandum would receive serious attention.

"We must give them a chance to take action despite the past record of the government," Mr. Mandela added.

Observers believe that a historic accord -- known as the Pretoria Minute -- reached between the ANC and the government on August 6 could soon pave the way for a negotiated peace settlement in South Africa.

Mr. Mandela said the ANC would do anything in its power to keep the peace process on track but the government would have to play its part.

But he added: "No doubt the peace process is in distress".

"Government cannot be allowed to talk peace and negotiations and at the same time wage war against our people," Mr. Mandela said.

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#90254d8400 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (SEPT 11) - Iraq, Jordan and Yemen arranged among themselves to attack Saudi Arabia in the course of a Gulf war and divide up large chunks of it among themselves, a Gulf news report here Tuesday asserted.

''The speed with which the United States deployed troops in Saudi Arabia thwarted the plan. the newspaper al-Khaleej claimed, quoting ''diplomatic sources'' in London. ''Its aim was to divide up large parts of the kingdom

among Iraq, Jordan and Yemen.''

Under the alleged plan, Iraqi troops would have followed their August 2 invasion of Kuwait with a thrust into the Eastern Province of Saudi Arabia, where most of the country's industrial development has taken place.

While the Saudis were tied down resisting the Iraqi advance, Yemeni units would have attacked the south of the kingdom and occupied the Asir, Najran and Jizan regions.

Jordan would have attacked the Northern Province and advanced as far as the Moslem holy cities of Mecca and Medina.

Al-Khaleej asserted that before the Gulf crisis Iraq had sent fighter aircraft to Yemen, though this has been publicly denied by the Yemenis. Since the start of the crisis, Yemen has been said to be sympathetic to Iraq and abstained in the U.N. Security Council during a vote imposing economic sanctions against Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

Jordan has also been charged with an ambivalent position and accused of trying to break the U.N. sanctions, though it denies this.

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#90254d8440 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 11) - The number of British companies falling into the hands of receivers has topped 3,000 in 1990 so far, compared with just 1,720 in the whole of 1989, according to figures compiled by accountancy firm Grant Thornton here.

In 1982, the last peak in receivership appointments, the figure reached 2,190. This year the number of receiver appointments per month has been climbing since the start of the year, with almost 500 taking place in August, and if the trend continues total appointments will top 5,000 for the full 12 months.

This unprecedented number of corporate failures, is put "fairly and squarely" down to the high level of British interest rates by Allan Griffiths of Grant Thornton.

Bank base rates have been at 15 percent since October last year as part of government policy aimed at slowing down the British economy and reducing inflation.

One reason for the rash of failures was the tendency among companies to become more highly borrowed during the boom years of the mid-1980s than they had been before, according to Mr. Griffiths, but he said the main problem stemmed from the effect on consumers of high interest rates.

"The ordinary man in the street has had to take money from spending to pay his mortgage (home loan). This has hit retailers, and in turn manufacturers," he said.

Mr. Griffiths added that receivership figures tend to show only medium and large sized company failures, and that among smaller concerns the failure rate could be even worse.

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#90254d8450 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 11) - U.S. President George Bush will record an eight-to-ten-minutes-long television address to the Iraqi people Wednesday, but Washington doubts whether it will be carried uncensored, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Tuesday.

For that reason the Arabic-subtitled address - taking up an offer from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein - will also be offered to all media worldwide, he said. A radio version was also being prepared.

''We do not believe that the (Iraqi) people generally have a good idea of the Arab League action or the U.N. resolutions, (and) probably very little idea of the refugee situation and the treatment of Kuwaitis and other nationals by the Iraqi government,'' he added.

The address, Fitzwater said, would be a good opportunity for Bush ''to also let them know exactly how the world is aligned against their government''.

In the address, Bush would make clear the people of the United States ''look forward to the day when our two people live in friendship''.

Turning to the resumption of diplomatic relations between Iran and Iraq, Fitzwater said that this was something which ''under normal circumstances we would welcome''.

He went on: ''However, we cannot help but be sceptical about the timing and purpose of yesterday's anouncement. It seems clear that Saddam is making another desperate attempt to find someone who might help him try to circumvent the expressed will of the world community'' and break the United Nations sanctions.

''Iran like all the members of the international community is bound by the mandatory sanctions voted by the U.N.,'' Fitzwater said. ''Iran has publicly stated that it will comply with those sanctions and we expect that it will.''

Asked about the effect of sanctions on Iraqis, Fitzwater said: ''We believe

food supplies at this point have not reached a point where humanitarian help is necessary.''

He said there was no specific or credible threat of terrorist activity originating in Iraq directed against Americans. ''Should such a threat emerge,
 we will make it known,'' he said.

''The U.S, will hold Iraq responsible for any act of terrorism taken by organisations based in Iraq or operating under Iraqi guidance.''

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#90254d8470 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) - Cuba and Romania have signed oil delivery contracts with Iraq while a number of other countries and private businesses have sought to maintain trade with Baghdad despite the U.N.-ordered embargo of that country, according to a State Department report.

The report said Cuba, which has seen its oil deliveries from the Soviet Union substantially reduced, had received an oil shipment from Iraq since the embargo was imposed following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Bucharest expects to receive its oil indirectly from Baghdad, said the report, which was obtained by a U.S. news agency.

The report also said that certain, unnamed, East European countries were attempting to continue their military sales to Iraq.

It said private companies in West Europe, East Asia and Africa were pursuing trade with Iraq as well, but it did not identify any of the firms by name.

It said two West European companies had tried to ship food to Iraq, but apparently were unsuccessful.

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#90254d8490 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (SEPT. 11) - Thousands of exhausted Asians, waiting to begin their journey home after weeks of fighting heat, hunger and scorpions in Jordanian desert camps, are now hopeful that an improved international airlift will speed up their return home.

''For the first time since the crisis began, we can breathe a little as we are repatriating more people than those coming into Jordan,'' the Jordanian Interior Ministry's secretary-general, Salameh Hammad, said Tuesday.

Thousands of Asians fleeing Iraq and Kuwait were flown home or moved from a chaotic and dangerous transit camp as work continued to set up two new camps,
which will host more evacuees starting Wednesday.

Hammad, who heads a committee handling the refugee influx, said only 15,000 people remained at the Shalaan I transit camp in the no-man's-land between Iraq and the Jordanian border post of Ruwaished.

United Nations officials said about 8,000 Asians, mainly Indians, Bangladeshis and Filippinos, had been flown home from Amman. Thousands more remained at Shaalan I.

The International Committee of the Red Cross and the Jordanian Red Crescent Society strove to install tents, water, electricity and health posts at the two new camps designed to take the pressure off the crowded border site.

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#90254d8500 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) - President George Bush's spokesman Tuesday expressed skepticism about the motives behind the announced renewal of relations between Iraq and Iran, describing the move as a "desperate attempt" by Baghdad to evade international sanctions.

Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater also called on Teheran to keep its pledge to respect the economic embargo ordered against Iraq by the United Nations following the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

"Under normal circumstances, we would welcome the announcement of the restauration of diplomatic relations between Iran and Iraq," Mr. Fitzwater said. "However, we cannot help but be skeptical about the timing and purpose of yesterday's announcement."

Monday Iranian radio announced that Teheran had accepted a request by visiting Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz to restore bilateral relations.

"It seems clear that (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein is making another desperate attempt to reach out to find someone, anyone in fact that might help him to try to circumvent the expressed will of the world community. That attempt will ultimately fail," Mr. Fitzwater said.

"Iran, like all members of the international community, is bound by the mandatory sanctions voted by the U.N., Iran has publicly stated that it will comply with those sanctions and we expect that it will," he said, adding that to his knowledge there had been no direct U.S.-Iranian

contacts over the matter.

The White House spokesman also said that the U.N.-ordered sanctions against Iraq had been "almost 100 per cent effective," with only insignificant exceptions.

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#90254d8530 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT 11) - Sikh separatist militants in Punjab shot dead 10 people and abducted as many security guards employed by the government, police said Tuesday.

Sikh separatists opened indiscriminate fire near a colleage in Punjab's Jalandhar district, killing two Sikhs, the Press Trust of India (PTI) quoted police as saying. It did not say when the incident occurred.

PTI said suspected militants killed eight other civilians, almost all Sikhs, overnight Monday elsewhere in Punjab, where the homeland campaign has left more than 1,710 people dead this year.

The ten security men were kidnapped from a government food store in an overnight attack in the Amritsar district by 50 armed Sikh militants.

In a related development, a prominent Sikh politician Tuesday demanded elections in Punjab, saying polls were necessary to "improve" the situation in the border state.

Punjab has been under New Delhi's direct rule since May 1987.

"We have always opposed the extension of president's (federal) rule and forcefully told the prime minister that there should be no further extension," Prakash Singh Badal said here.

The former Punjab chief minister said federal rule had been marked "by widespread (police) repression and corruption."

India accuses neighbouring Pakistan of backing Sikh militants in Punjab but Islamabad has rejected the charges.

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#90254d8590 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) - The United States Thursday called on North Korea to apply international safeguards to its nuclear energy program and to make a "credible promise" that it does not support terrorism.

Speaking at a seminar on "Easing Cold War tensions on the Korean peninsula

" Karl Richardson, the State Department's top Korea expert, said: "By signing the Non Proliferation Treaty (NPT) in 1985, North Korea incurred an obligation to apply International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) safeguards.

"Application of international safeguards and full disclosure of fissile material would help satisfy international concern, not just ours, but of all countries, about North Korea's nuclear energy program."

On terrorism -- North Korea is on a U.S. list of countries said to be supporting terrorism -- he said, "We're not asking for an act of contrition, but we want a credible promise that North Korea does not support terrorism."

Mr. Richardson said these suggestions were among a series of steps Washington had expected Pyongyang to take to reciprocate a series of U.S. actions announced in October 1988 to ease restrictions on bilateral dealings.

Other steps expected from North Korea, he said, were progress in the dialogue between Seoul and Pyongyang, military confidence-building measures,
return of war remains and an end to anti-U.S. propaganda.

"We have not said that these are preconditions to improved relations or that they must all be satisfied at once ... When North Korea takes positive steps toward better relations, we for our part will take further steps," he added.

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#90254d8660 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 11) - The British government has reached a decision in principle to send tank forces to the Gulf but the size of the new contingent is still being studied, British television stations reported Tuesday.

The BBC reported that military leaders wanted to send a unit of 100 tanks to support the multinational forces in Saudi Arabia and elsewhere in the region but politicians were reported to favor a smaller deployment of around 60 tanks.

The independent television station ITN reported that the tank units could be accompanied by troops in a force which could total 7,000 men but it was not clear if those numbers were in addition to British forces already in the Gulf.

The BBC said the exact composition of the latest deployment would be

announced later in the week.

The Ministry of Defence refused to confirm the reports, saying they were "for the moment" only speculation.

The reports come a day after U.S. Secretary of State James Baker called on other North Atlantic Treaty Organization members to deploy ground forces in the Gulf.

The U.S., which has already deployed around 60,000 soldiers in Saudi Arabia,

would welcome additional ground forces even if they were only symbolic, Mr. Baker said.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said in parliament last week that her government had decided that more British troops were needed in the Gulf but made no mention of what kind of forces would be sent.

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#90254d8680 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (SEPT 11) - Pakistan's ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto escaped an assassination attempt during a public meeting in the Punjab capital Lahore 12 days ago, police said Tuesday.

Peshawar police arrested 22-year-old Sabir Mehmud, an electrician, with two grenades on August 31, they said.

Mr. Mehmud confessed Monday he planned to kill Ms. Bhutto because she had failed "to enforce Islam" in the country, police said, adding that Mr. Mehmud told a Peshawar magistrate he bought the hand grenades at an arms market in the northwestern tribal belt bordering Afghanistan.

He planned to set off the grenades on Ms. Bhutto's arrival in Lahore for a public meeting, police quoted him as telling the magistrate.

Ms. Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party (PPP) arranged the meeting after President Ghulam Ishaq Khan fired her and dissolved parliament on August 6, accusing her goverment of corruption and abuse of power.

Mr. Mehmud accused Ms. Bhutto, in power for 20 months, of ignoring her "first and foremost duty of enforcing Sharia (Islamic law)" in Sunni Moslem Pakistan, police said.

"I felt duty bound to remove her from the political scene," he told the magistrate.

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#90254d8720 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 11) - The Gulf crisis will mean an 800 million dollar loss in foreign currency receipts for the Soviet union this year, Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze told the Soviet Parliament on Tuesday.

He said the losses would be incurred by halting the provision of goods to Iraq and Kuwait.

The foreign minister also said that there were still difficulties in evacuating Soviet nationals from Iraq, but added, "there is no basis for saying that they have been turned into hostages."

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#90254d8830 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MECCA (SEPT 11) - The World League of Moslems is considering setting up an Islamic court to try Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, its secretary-general, Abdullah Omar Naseef, said here Tuesday.

Speaking at a conference in this holy city attended by 270 Islamic scholars, some of them Iraqis, he said Baghdad had no right to proclaim an Islamic holy war (jihad) against other Arab governments.

''A holy war can only be proclaimed against enemies of Islam,'' he said. ''You cannot fight against Moslems, occupy their country, drive them from their homes'' and then proclaim holy war.

He said the conference's conclusions were binding on all Moslems. Others at the conference also insisted Saudi Arabia had been correct to call in foreign help after the Iraqi invasion of neighbouring Kuwait on August 2.

''In times of imminent threat Islamic law permits a country to seek aid from Moslem and non-Moslem forces,'' another scholar told the meeting. The scholars attending come from 60 countries.

The Gulf states interpret Baghdad's repeated calls to holy war against the governments in Riyadh and Cairo and against the foreign troops in Saudi Arabia as an attempt to mobilise dissident fundamentalist forces into

action.

Holy war against the infidel was the means whereby Arab Moslem rule made large gains in the first centuries of Islam. In recent years, some theologians have interpreted jihad in a less literal sense as the combating of evil.

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London (SEPT. 11) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1.737,50 (1.732,50) 1.609,50 (1.598,50)
Lead 454,00 (453,50) 459,50 (456,25)
Zinc Sh 1,627,00 (1.607,50) 1,524,00 (1.513,50)
Tin 5.805,00 (5.780,00) 5.917,50 (5.895,00)
Aluminium 2.059,50 (2.093,00) 1.992,50 (2.029,50)
Nickel 11.550,00 (11.425,00) 11.212,00 (11.125,00)

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PRETORIA (SEPT 11) - South Africa's Production Price Index (PPI), a secondary indicator of inflation, fell to an annualised 10.3 percent in July, down from 11.2 percent in June, its lowest rate since October 1984, the Central Statistical Service (CSS) said here Tuesday.

The year-on-year increase for locally-produced goods was 11.6 percent in July, 0.9 percent down on June's annualised 12.5 percent, the lowest since May 1984.

The annualised rise for imported goods fell from six percent in June to 4.7 percent in July, the CSS said.

The monthly PPI increase from June to July was 0.4 percent.

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#90254d9120 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT 11) - The White House Tuesday warned Baghdad it would be held accountable for any terrorist action by pro-Iraqi groups, adding, however, that it now knew of no credible threats of terrorist attack.

"We have been watching for signs of Iraqi-sponsored terrorism since the beginning of the current crisis ... while we are watching the situation carefully, there are no specific and credible threats to the American public at this time," said White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater.

Quoting Saudi sources, The Washington Post Tuesday said security measures surrounding the U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia had been strengthened due to reports that pro-Iraqi terrorist groups had begun keeping potential American targets under surveillance.

Mr. Fitzwater, who refused to comment on the report, stressed that a State Department warning against terrorist actions went out a month ago, at the start of the Gulf crisis.

"Should such a threat emerge, we will make it known," the spokesman added.

"The U.S. will hold Iraq responsible for any act of terrorism undertaken by organizations based in Iraq or operating under Iraqi guidance," said Mr. Fitzwater.

"We will take any steps necessary to protect our servicemen and our citizens wherever we could," he added.

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#90254d9130 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABIDJAN (SEPT. 11) - Liberians, who have endured nearly nine months of brutal civil war, had two self-proclaimed presidents on Tuesday following the violent death, which had yet to be confirmed, of President Samuel Doe.

Breakaway rebel leader Prince Johnson, whose men reportedly killed Mr. Doe and exhibited his mutilated body after capturing him on Sunday, proclaimed himself interim president on Monday.

So did the head of what remains of Mr. Doe's guard, General David Nimley. Neither has been recognized by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), which has peacekeeping troops in Monrovia.

ECOWAS chairman, Gambian President Dawda Jawara, on a visit Tuesday to Zimbabwe, said that the 16-nation body would not recognize any claim to the Liberian presidency by Prince Johnson, "interim or otherwise".

Mr. Johnson operates in part of the Liberian capital and its port area with a few hundred men, while Gen. Nimley commands some 2,000 remaining loyalists at the executive mansion.

Their forces are surrounded by National Patriotic Front (NPFL) rebels, led by former senior civil servant Charles Taylor, who launched his bid to oust Mr. Doe last December and controls most of the West African country.

Mr. Taylor, who opposes intervention by the five-nation ECOWAS 'monitoring group' (ECOMOG), put Monrovia under siege two months ago, but his former aide Johnson moved his men into the city.

Meanwhile, former political science professor Amos Sawyer was unofficially named interim president early this month at a meeting in Banjul, gathering prominent Liberians and exiles under ECOWAS auspices.

Prince Johnson and Gen. Nimley have asked Mr. Sawyer to send a delegation to Monrovia to set up a provisional government, but Mr. Taylor has rejected any solution that would rob him of victory through force of arms.

In Nigeria on Tuesday, ECOWAS Executive Secretary Abass Bundu, accused Mr. Taylor of prolonging the war, which has cost almost 10,000 lives, most of them civilians.

"He has always declared that he was fighting to liberate his country from President Doe's dictatorship. Now that Doe has left the scene, why is he still fighting?," Mr. Bundu asked at a press conference in Lagos.

"He should stop being a rebel leader and start acting like a statesman," Mr. Bundu said. He stressed that other surviving parties to the conflict in the West African nation had agreed to a ceasefire.

Mr. Bundu also gave an account of the circumstances leading to Mr. Doe's death, which was reported Monday by a British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) correspondent and taken up by the U.S. State Department citing "credible sources".

Mr. Doe had turned up unannounced on Sunday for talks with ECOMOG's Ghanaian leader, General Arnold Quainoo, to say that he would not recognize the interim government set up in Banjul, adding that he opposed a ceasefire, Mr. Bundu said.

Prince Johnson and his men arrived shortly after that first direct contact between Mr. Doe and the peace-keeping troops. There was a fight between the two men's bodyguards and Mr. Doe may have been wounded then, Mr. Bundu added. (The BBC said Mr. Doe was shot in the legs and captured.)

Mr. Bundu emphasized that no ECOMOG soldier had taken part in the shooting

and said there was no proof to back reports that a trap had been laid for Mr. Doe. Some reports have said that 64 of Mr. Doe's men were killed in the battle.

In Harare, Sir Dawda said he was "shocked and saddened" by Mr. Doe's death "because when this very bloody skirmish took place I heard that Prince Johnson said he was not going to harm him and that he was going to put him on trial".

For his part, Mr. Taylor responded to news of Mr. Doe's death by saying he would launch an assault on Monrovia "even if it meant levelling the whole city down", the New Nigerian reported in Lagos Tuesday, quoting "agency despatches".

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#90254d9170 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RANGOON (SEPT 11) - A senior Burmese government official Tuesday urged political parties to cooperate with the military junta to build a democratic nation, instead of using confrontational tactics.

Major General Khin Nyunt, first secretary of the ruling State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC), said Burma should not be influenced by elements bent on destroying the nation and efforts should be made towards the drafting of a strong constitution reflecting the wishes of all people.

His remarks were made during a three-hour speech attended by cabinet members, senior government and military officials and reporters.

While urging students not to be swayed by unscrupulous politicians, Maj. Gen. Khin Nyunt also appealed to the Buddhist clergy to assist the SLORC in protecting the nation's peace and tranquility.

Buddhist monks and students spearheaded nationwide pro-democracy protests in 1988 that were brutally crushed by the military. The SLORC seized power in September 1988.

Maj. Gen. Khin Nyunt said political parties should keep to "the path of law and order" to achieve their desired goal, warning them not to use "short-cut measures and quick-cure methods" to bring about a hasty transfer of power.

He said the military junta would eventually hand over power to civilian politicians.

"We shall transfer power systematically according to our promise. We would not have conducted elections if we did not want to do so," the official said.

The military government has acknowledged the landslide victory in May 27 general elections of the National League for Democracy (NLD), but has so far refused to hand over power.

Last weekend, the NLD acting lader Kyi Maung was arrested along with four other NLD members. They were detained after allegedly "divulging classified documents to unauthorised outsiders".

Maj. Gen. Khin Nyunt urged political parties to help in drawing up a new constitution for Burma.

He said the first step should be to solicit the opinions of all national groups as well as mass organizations by means of seminars and polls.

Maj. Gen. Khin Nyunt devoted the major part of his speech to a background of the nation's history beginning from Burma's fight for freedom and independence from British colonial rule.

He stated that foreign interference had been rampant throughout Burma's struggle for independence, which was achieved in 1948.

"They continue to blatantly interfere in our internal affairs," he said.

He blamed foreign meddling for the continued existence of insurgencies in Burma.

Pamphlets, video cassettes and other documents were exhibited during the speech showing alleged attempts by communists to take over power as well as materials linking unrest to foreign interference.

Documents allegedly showing attempts by political parties to split the military were also displayed prominently.

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#90254d9190 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) - Six of seven low-income countries to have benefitted last year from the IMF's Structual Adjustment Facility (SAF) and Enhanced Structrual Adjustment Facility (ESAF) were in sub-Saharan Africa, the IMF says in its annual report published Wednesday.

The International Monetary Fund (IMF) said the sub-Saharan countries were Benin, Kenya, Madagascar, Mauritania, Sao Tome and Principe, and Togo. The seventh beneficiary was Laos.

The structural adjustment facility provides resources on concessional terms to support medium-term macroeconomic and structural adjustments in

low-income countries facing protracted balance of payments problems.

The enhanced facility is a similar, but additional, program.

In Benin, the IMF is using the SAF and ESAF to help finance reform of the government sector (including state-owned companies), the restructuring of the banking system and reducing the fiscal deficit.

The aims of IMF-backed programs in Kenya are to achieve real gross domestic product (GDP) growth of five per cent a year, to reduce the current account deficit and increase employment.

These involve structural fiscal reforms, key trade and industrial reforms and export promotion.

In Madagascar, in addition to poverty-alleviation programs, the IMF is helping finance a strengthening of the private sector. Similarly, in Madagascar, the IMF is hoping to see a reduction in public sector demand especially "by rehabilitating public enterprises" while the government "seeks to further the role of the private sector."

The boosting of the private sector and improving the efficiency of the public sector are also among the top goals of economic reforms in Togo.

In Sao Tome and Principe, the governmment -- in the wake of crop contractions -- is carrying out policies that "include a well-conceived investment program, stronger budgetary management and improved domestic resource mobilization and budgetary control."

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#90254d9240 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (SEPT. 11) - President Najibullah unveiled guidelines Tuesday legalizing the formation of new political parties and repealing laws that enshrined the communist party's monopoly on power in Afghanistan.

Mr. Najibullah, who in recent months has removed the communist tenor from his ruling party, also announced basic ground rules for the formation of social organizations.

Observers said the decision was aimed at peeling the leftist stigma from the groups.

"The basis of the political system in Afghanistan is founded on the plurality of political parties," a Tuesday presidential decree said.

A second decree issued simultaneously repealed restrictions placed on political and second-rung social organizations imposed by his ruling Watan

or Homeland Party, and gave wider freedom for new bodies to come into existence.

"It is a practical law ... it is good," a government spokesman said after the two decrees were announced.

The first decree permits any group of 300 people above the age of 18 to form a party on preconditions that the group pledges to uphold Islam, shuns armed struggle against the state and opposes neo-colonialism, Zionism, apartheid and racism.

"A political party also cannot be organized on the basis of prejudice and tendency to ethnic, tribal, local and the superiority of nationality," the decree said.

It added that new parties would not be allowed to conceal their income or establish headquarters outside the capital, Kabul.

"The name, symbol and slogan of a political party cannot be confined to any single ethnic, tribal or local characteristic," it added.

The much-awaited decree has also given sweeping powers to the Supreme Court to assess applications to form political groups, stipulating however that the judicial body will have to decide each case within a month.

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#90254d9280 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (SEPT. 11) - In a break with tradition, more than 200 tons of Zambian copper Tuesday began a southward trek for export through newly-independent Namibia's South African-controlled Walvis Bay.

An official of the Zambian Consolidated Copper Mines said seven trucks left for Namibia ''in a trial run that will initially ship 1,500 tons monthly, gradually building up to a maximum of 5,000 tons.''

The 1,800-kilometre journey is expected to take seven days. Zambia also exports 28,000 tons a month through Dar es Salaam in Tanzania and 9,000 tons via Beira in Mozambique.

Mining sources said South African railways had approached Zambia to resume moving copper through South Africa's East London Port. Shipments there were halted some time ago for political reasons.

Zambia, which earns 90 per cent of her foreign exchange, produces 420,000 tons of copper annually.

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#90254d9310 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT 11) - Iraqi military activity has been detected close to Turkey and Syria, but it apparently poses no threat, a Pentagon spokesman said Tuesday.

"We are aware of some increase in military activity near the Syrian and Turkish borders, but there is nothing to indicate imminent hostilities," said Pete Williams.

Pressed by reporters for more information, he added "I cannot characterize that activity for you."

He did however indicate that the Iraqi military activity could involve "flights, training flights, that kind of thing," but "not necessarily" increased troop deployments.

The invasion and annexation of Kuwait on August 2 had been preceeded by persistent reports of Iraqi troop concentrations near the Kuwaiti border.

Mr. Williams said there had been no increase or change in the Iraqi military presence in Kuwait, which he put at 265,000 troops and 2,200 tanks.

The makeup of the Iraqi contingent in Kuwait was still defensive in nature, but that could change "very quickly," he added.

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#90254d9450 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
EAST BERLIN (SEPT 11) - As a wrangle continued in East Germany on the fate of secret police files on six million people, the country's defence minister, Rainer Eppelmann, announced Tuesday that East Germany's military intelligence files had been destroyed.

In an interview with the West German newspaper Bild, Eppelmann said the military espionage service had been closed down March 31.

Destruction of its files would be completed by the end of this week so that the Bonn authorities would never find out who the East German spies in their midst had been. Eppelmann said the unit had had 138 spies at work in West Germany.

The secret police files, which are locked up under the supervision of citizens' committees, are not destined to be destroyed. But the East Germans fear that opening up those files could not only compromise many citizens, but also unmask informers.

In the former headquarters of the secret police, known as the Stasi, 25 protesters entered the second week of a sit-in demanding undertakings that agents from Bonn will not peek in the files.

A senior official, Guenther Krause, predicted strict rules would be laid down by Saturday in talks with Bonn to keep the files in East German town halls after the two Germanys unify on October 3.

It was also announced Tuesday by a parliamentary special committee that 1,500 key East German civil servants, among them 10 interior ministry press office staff, had been in the pay of the Stasi - since dissolved - and even had secret police officer rank.

Officials said they would probably be sacked.

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#90254d9510 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VANCOUVER, Canada (SEPT 11) - Canada's trade minister Tuesday warned of dire consequences for the world's economy if the current round of GATT talks fails to find a new consensus on freer trade.

"The cost of failure is very great -- lower growth, more protectionism, less confidences in the future, and increased unilateral action," John Crosbie told 11 fellow Pacific Rim trade ministers.

He spoke during a press photo session as the ministers began a second day of talks aimed at breathing new life into the troubled Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

The four-year Uruguay Round of talks expire in December and there are fears that it may fail in its attempt to further liberalize world trade because of deep differences among GATT's 97 member states.

The Vancouver meeting is an effort by members of the Asia-Pacific Economic Co-operation (APEC) group to find enough common ground among themselves in order for the broader GATT talks to reach a final consensus.

APEC members account for 60 percent of world trade under GATT. It includes Australia, Brunei, Canada, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, New Zealand, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and the United States.

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#90254d9540 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 11) - The employees of United Nations agencies here collected and donated 125,000 dollars Tuesday to aid Asian nationals stranded in Iraq and Kuwait, a U.N. source said.

The money was handed over to the ambassadors of Bangladesh, India, the Philippines and Sri Lanka, who have tens of thousands of nationals in the two countries, the source said.

Indian Ambassador Kamal Bakhshi praised what he called this "humanitarian initiative" but called on the United Nations to allow his country to send supplies to its nationals because of food shortages in Iraq.

The assistant U.N. secretary general for humanitarian affairs, Kofi Annan, said he was to leave Wednesday for New York at the end of a fact-finding mission in Baghdad.

Mr. Annan said he would present a report to Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar on his talks with Iraqi officials and foreign diplomats about the situation of foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait.

The Indian government has reported near-starvation among the estimated 150,000 Indians still in Iraq and Kuwait, and called on the United Nations to act before civilians start dying.)

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#90254d9560 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) - President George Bush will tape a television message to Iraq Wednesday highlighting world opposition to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and stressing his desire for peace, the White House said Tuesday.

The 10-minute message will be given to Iraqi authorities before the end of the week, but White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater expressed "a good deal of skepticism that they will show it."

Mr. Bush last week accepted Baghdad's invitation to address the Iraqi people on television. The Iraqi information ministry had proposed interviewing Mr. Bush, but the White House opted for a taped message.

"We are concerned that they follow through on their invitation," Mr. Fitzwater said.

The invitation followed Mr. Bush's remark last week that he would like to have as much access to the Iraqi people through television as Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had to the American people.

The U.S. Cable News Network broadcast two unedited, lengthy sessions between Mr. Hussein and Western hostages being held in Baghdad, during which the Iraqi leader struck a friendly tone while espousing Iraqi positions.

"To help guard against editing," said Mr. Fitzwater, Mr. Bush's remarks, to be taped in the Oval Office, will be subtitled in Arabic and accompanied by an Arabic soundtrack, Mr. Fitzwater said.

Mr. Fitzwater said the United States had not been in contact with Baghdad on the details of producing and airing the message.

The United States will give Iraqi authorities an unspecified period of time to air the message, before Washington broadcasts it worldwide itself, particularly to Arab countries, Mr. Fitzwater said.

He said the Iraqi Government had "not been forthcoming" in telling its people the truth about the Gulf situation, the United Nations resolutions against Baghdad and mistreatment of the Kuwaitis and foreigners by Iraqi troops.

"This is a very important opportunity for the president to bring not only the message of the United States and the world to the people of Iraq, but also to let them know exactly how the world is aligned against their government in this action."

He said Mr. Bush would point out that "our alliance is with the nations of the world and that we want peace for the people of Iraq and that we look forward to the day where our two peoples can live in friendship."

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#90254d9580 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT. 11) - An envoy of Morocco's King Hassan II arrived Tuesday in the Iraqi capital with a message for President Saddam Hussein, the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported.

Ahmad Reda al-Guedira, a royal adviser, said on arrival that the message concerned "relations between the two brother countries and the current situation in the region," INA reported in a despatch received here.

Rabat has condemned Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and sent troops to Saudi Arabia as part of a multinational deployment to protect the kingdom against a possible Iraqi attack.

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#90254d9590 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT 11) - The Soviet Union will lose 800 million dollars in foreign currency receipts because of the Gulf crisis, Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze told the Soviet Parliament here on Tuesday.

In a report-back on the Gulf crisis and Sunday's Helsinki summit between

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and U.S. President George Bush, he said the losses would be incurred by halting trade with Iraq and Kuwait.

The foreign minister also said that there were still difficulties in evacuating Soviet nationals from Iraq, but added, "there is no basis for saying that any of them have been turned into hostages."

Later, the parliament passed a motion approving both the Helsinki summit and Soviet policy on the Gulf.

It said that parliament supported "the government's position regarding Iraq's aggression against Kuwait, and approves the (Soviet-U.S.) joint statement aimed at a just peace in the Middle East and the Persian Gulf."

It also approved "measures taken to evacuate Soviet citizens from the zone of conflict". Referring to these Soviet nationals, Mr. Shevardnadze said exit visas were being held up.

"There have been incidents with baggage, and there are problems with food " he said -- the first time that a senior Soviet official has acknowledged in public any difficulties in evacuating Soviet nationals from Iraq.

There are still about 6,000 Soviet citizens in Iraq. Mr. Shevardnadze said they included women, but all children had been evacuated.

He said the decision to halt trade with Iraq was "difficult, politically and psychologically", because of Moscow's links with Iraq and the treaty of friendship and cooperation signed by the two countries in 1972.

"This year we will not be receiving oil and foreign currency from Iraq and Kuwait amounting to 800 million dollars," he said.

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#90254d9650 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) - The United States, welcoming the decision by Cambodia's four warring factions to coalesce in a Supreme National Council (SNC), Tuesday said the next step would be for the council to appoint a delegation to represent Cambodia at the United Nations.

"We expect the Council will hold its first meeting in the near future and one of its priorities will be the appointment of a delegation to represent Cambodia at the U.N. General Assembly," said State Department Richard Boucher.

Mr. Boucher said the SNC was then expected to begin consultations with the U.N. Secretary General and the two co-chairmen of the Paris Conference -- France and Indonesia -- "to elaborate a settlement agreement based on" the

peace plan unveiled by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council last month.

The Paris Conference, which groups the U.N. Big Five -- the United States,

the Soviet Union, France, Britain and China -- the four Cambodian parties, the six members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations -- Brunei, Indonesia,

Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand -- Japan and Australia would then be reconvened for the signing of a settlement.

In Jakarta Monday, the Phnom Penh Government and the three guerrilla factions making up the U.N.-recognized Cambodian resistance accepted the U.N. peace plan, which calls for a major U.N. role in administering Cambodia during the transition to U.N.-monitored elections and formation of the SNC.

The four Cambodian parties agreed to form a 12-member SNC, with the Hanoi-backed Phnom Penh Government and the resistance having six representatives each.

Prior to Monday's agreement, the United States had pressed for speedy formation of the SNC to prevent a divisive battle later this month over who should represent Cambodia at the U.N. following Washington's decision in July to withdraw its diplomatic recognition of the Khmer Rouge-dominated resistance.

The U.S. policy shift on Cambodia, which also led to a U.S. dialogue with Hanoi and direct contacts with Phnom Penh in Vientiane, is aimed at preventing a return to power by the Khmer Rouge, who fields the dominant military force in the Cambodian resistance.

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#90254d9920 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAPE TOWN (SEPT 11) - About 170,000 seals have been culled off the Skeleton Coast in Namibia since the season opened there last Friday, the Seal Action Group chairman Mark Leserre claimed here Tuesday.

This figure had not been confirmed, but Sea Lion Products, a company which holds a culling concession at Cape Cross Nature Reserve on the Skeleton Coast, had begun harvesting seals last Friday, Mr. Leserre said.

In July, a storm of protest in South Africa backed by the French actress Brigitte Bardot resulted in the suspension of seal culls off the Cape coast.

The Namibian seals were being culled for commercial purposes and use was being made of "labour off the streets", Mr. Leserre said.

He believed the culling was taking place outside the opening hours of the reserve, in the early morning and late afternoon.

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#90254d9930 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT 11) - The U.N. Security Council's sanctions committee wrestled Tuesday with requests from India, Sri Lanka and the Philippines for food for the thousands of their citizens stranded in tent cities in Iraq.

Such food shipments would technically violate the U.N. mandated embargo on shipments to Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Members of the committee, which corresponds to the 15-member U.N. Security Council, said international organizations would probably be given a dominant role in evaluationg food situation needs in the area, and in distributing any aid send there.

The committee was working Tuesday on a definition of humanitarian criteria for the dispatch of food to the embargoed area.

The U.N. embargo against Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait includes everything but medicine. Humanitarian concerns -- namely feeding people there -- could partially lift the embargo.

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#90254d9970 09/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT 12) - More than 300 Americans and a hundred British nationals are to be evacuated from Kuwait Wednesday on an Iraqi Airways flight to London, Western diplomatic sources said here late Tuesday.

The Boeing 747 would bring them first to Baghdad, from where they would continue to London, the sources said.

The British Foreign Office had announced Monday that it and the American authorities were chartering an Iraqi Airways flight from Kuwait to Baghdad to send home a last group of women who wanted to leave Kuwait with their children.

The sources here also said there would be another Iraqi Airways flight on Friday to take out Westerners, but they did not give numbers or nationalities.

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#90254e0038 09/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
BUDAPEST (SEPT 11) EFE - A Hungarian and a Soviet delegation have held talks in Budapest on the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Hungarian soil, the official Hungarian news agency MTI reported Tuesday.

The talks, held Monday, centered on the legal, economic and financial questions relating to the pull-out.

The Soviet Army claims dlrs 833 million from Budapest for military installations built by their troops in Hungary which will be left behind when they pull out, a figure which Hungary considers excessive.

Some 50,000 Soviet soldiers and a similar number of their relatives began leaving Hungary on March 12 in an operation due to finish by June 30, 1991.

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#90254e0042 09/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
BUENOS AIRES (SEPT 11) EFE - The Argentine government has decided to accept a dlrs 130 million letter of credit from the consortium led by Spain's Iberia airlines for state-owned Aerolineas Argentinas, government officials said Tuesday.

On Monday President Carlos Menem announced his government might start looking for new buyers for the national airline following a court decision last week to suspend the sale after politicians complained that the original sale agreement had been for cash.

The government had refused to accept an arrangement whereby the consortium led by Iberia and backed by Chase Manhattan Bank and domestic carrier Cielos del Sur would finance the down payment with loans from Banco Hispanoamericano.

The consortium would then pay back Banco Hispanoamericano with the sale of six Aerolineas Argentinas planes, which would then be leased back to the airline.

Iberia said it did not want to hand over cash until airline securities deposited several years ago with private banks as debt guarantees had been recovered.

But the impasse was overcome when Peronist Senator Liliana Gurdulich de Correa, who presides over the parliamentary commission controlling privatization, decided that the letter of credit was +irrevocable,+ and that it could be cashed.

The privatization commission "has not fixed a term within which the payment has to made in cash, and accordingly the letter of credit can be cashed at any moment," explained the senator.

The sale of the airline is part of an extensive privatization program to reduce the budget deficit which has so far also included the sale of the national telephone company.

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#90254h0007 09/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SAN JOSE (SEPT. 11) XINHUA - COSTA RICAN FLOWER EXPORTS COULD GENERATE MORE THAN 10.3 MILLION DOLLARS THIS YEAR, INVESTMENTS AND EXPORTS PROMOTION CENTER (CEMPRO) DIRECTOR CARLOS TORRES SAID TODAY.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF FLOWER CULTURES IS PART OF THE EFFORTS MADE BY COSTA RICA IN THE PAST EIGHT YEARS TO PROMOTE EXPORTS OF NON-TRADITIONAL PRODUCTS AS A BASIS OF ITS ECONOMIC GROWTH POLICY.

LAST YEAR, THESE EXPORTS SURPASSED FOR THE FIRST TIME TRADITIONAL CROPS LIKE COFFEE AND BANANAS. HOWEVER, THIS EXPANSION ALSO SIGNIFICANTLY BOOSTED IMPORTS, CAUSING AN INCREASE OF COSTA RICA'S TRADE BALANCE DEFICIT.

IN THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, FLOWER EXPORTS GENERATED EARNINGS OF 5 MILLION DOLLARS FOR COSTA RICA.

THE COUNTRY'S MAIN PURCHASER IS THE UNITED STATES, FOLLOWED BY CANADA, WEST GERMANY, HOLLAND AND IRELAND.

COSTA RICAN FLOWERS ARE CURRENTLY EXHIBITED IN JAPAN, AND THEY HAVE RECEIVED VARIOUS PRIZES.

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#90254h0033 09/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 11) XINHUA - BRITAIN'S RETAIL SALES IN AUGUST FELL SHARPLY, ACCORDING TO THE CENTRAL STATISTICS OFFICE TODAY.

FIGURES SHOWED THAT THE VOLUME OF RETAIL SALES LAST MONTH WAS A PROVISIONAL 1.6 PER CENT LOWER THAN IN JULY, TAKING CITY ECONOMISTS AND THE MARKETS BY SURPRISE.

THERE HAD BEEN EXPECTATIONS THAT SALES VOLUMES WOULD BE FLAT OR REGISTER A SLIGHT INCREASE ON THE MONTH.

OTHER GOVERNMENT FIGURES RELEASED TODAY SHOWED A DECLINE IN THE RATE OF INCREASE IN MANUFACTURERS' PRICES AND A RISE IN PRODUCTION COSTS DUE TO

HIGHER OIL PRICES.

THE RETAIL CONSORTIUM, WHICH REPRESENTS 90 PER CENT OF THE RETAIL INDUSTRY POINTED OUT THAT TODAY'S FIGURES HERALDED A HALT IN SALES GROWTH.

THIS WAS BECAUSE SALES IN AUGUST INCREASED BY 7 PER CENT ON LAST YEAR IN VALUE TERMS, WHILE INFLATION ON RETAIL GOODS WAS RUNNING AT ABOUT THE SAME RATE, IT SAID.

ANALYSTS SAID THE LARGE FALL IN RETAIL SALES IN AUGUST UNDERLINED SIGNS THAT THE U.K. ECONOMY WAS HEADING FOR A RECESSION AFTER ALOMOST A YEAR OF HIGH INTEREST RATES.

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#90254h0048 09/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WUHAN (SEPT. 11) XINHUA - CHINA'S FIRST AQUATIC VEGETABLE RESOURCE GARDEN A LEADING CONSTRUCTION PROJECT FOR THE SEVENTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN (1986-1990) HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND PASSED A STATE ACCEPTANCE TEST.

THE GARDEN IS LOCATED AT THE WUHAN VEGETABLE RESEARCH INSTITUTE. ACCORDING TO VEGETABLE EXPERTS, CHINA HAS RICH RESOURCES OF AQUATIC VEGETABLES. THE VARIETIES IT BOASTS TOP OTHER COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD.

TO PRESERVE SUCH RESOURCES, A DECISION WAS MADE IN 1987 TO BUILD AN AQUATIC VEGETABLE RESOURCE GARDEN IN WUHAN.

COVERING A TOTAL AREA OF 2.3 HECTARES, THE GARDEN HAS ALREADY HOSTED 1,135 PIECES OF AQUATIC VEGETABLE RESOURCES COLLECTED FROM 14 PROVINCES, MUNICIPALITIES AND AUTONOMOUS REGIONS LIKE LOTUS ROOT, WILD RICE STEM, TARO, WATER CALTROP, WATER CHESTNUT AND CATTAIL, AND MOST OF THEM ARE LIVE SAMPLES.

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#90254h0052 09/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

XIAMEN (SEPT. 11) XINHUA - A GROUP OF FOREIGN BUSINESSMEN AT A TRADE FAIR HERE HAVE SIGNED CONTRACTS TO EXPAND THEIR INVESTMENT IN SOUTHEAST CHINA'S FUJIAN PROVINCE.

THE BUSINESSMEN WILL BE COOPERATING WITH THE HENDERSON LAND DEVELOPMENT CO. LTD. FROM HONG KONG, WHICH HAS A SHARE IN POLYAMIDE FIBRE PRODUCTION; THE JOINT VENTURE XIAMEN SANTEXING INDUSTRIAL CO. LTD., WHICH IS INVOLVED IN CEMENT PRODUCTION, AND TIAN'AN CHINA INVESTMENT CO. LTD., WHICH IS ENGAGED IN THE REAL ESTATE INDUSTRY. THE TOTAL INVESTMENT HAS REACHED 100 MILLION US DOLLARS.

BY THE END OF JULY, THERE WERE 1,800 FOREIGN-FUNDED ENTERPRISES IN FUJIAN

PROVINCE. THEIR BUSINESSES HAVE EXPANDED FROM XIAMEN AND FUZHOU IN FUJIAN PROVINCE TO CITIES IN NEIGHBOURING PROVINCES. THEIR INVESTMENT HAS ALSO EXPANDED FROM PROCESSING INDUSTRIES TO THE RUNNING OF HOTELS, REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT, AND FINANCE.

MANY OTHER FOREIGN BUSINESSMEN HAVE ALSO EXPRESSED THEIR INTENTION TO INVEST IN CHINA.

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#90254h0053 09/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 11) XINHUA - THE 1,600 STRIKING HARBOR WORKERS IN NEW ZEALAND WILL BE BACK TO WORK TOMORROW FOLLOWING A RULE BY THE LABOR COURT TODAY.

THE COURT RULED THAT THE STRIKING WORKERS MUST END THEIR ACTION, SAYING THAT THE WORKERS SHOULD GIVE ADEQUATE NOTICE BEFORE THE STRIKE.

THE STRIKING WORKERS HAVE BEEN FIGHTING TO KEEP THEIR NATIONAL AWARD RATHER THAN WAGE AND SALARY INCREASES ON PORT-BY-PORT BASIS.

THE STRIKE WHICH STARTED SUNDAY (SEPTEMBER 9) MIDNIGHT SHUT DOWN 13 PORTS AROUND NEW ZEALAND, DISRUPTED COOK STRAIT FERRIES.

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#90254h0066 09/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 11) XINHUA - SIX MEN DIED AND 23 PEOPLE WERE INJURED IN A FIRE HERE EARLY THIS MORNING WHICH HAS BEEN CLASSIFIED AS ARSON AND HOMICIDE BY HONG KONG POLICE.

THE FIRE BROKE OUT INSIDE A RESTAURANT AND MAHJONG CLUB IN HUNG HOM, KOWLOON, SHORTLY BEFORE 3 AM TODAY, LOCAL POLICE SAID.

INITIAL INVESTIGATIONS REVEALED THAT THREE MEN, ARMED WITH KNIVES, BURST INTO THE RESTAURANT AT ABOUT 2.45 AM AND SUBDUED A MALE STAFF MEMBER.

THEY SET THE FLAT ABLAZE BY THROWING SEVERAL HOME-MADE PETROL BOMBS ONTO THE FLOOR BEFORE FLEEING ON BOARD A PRIVATE CAR PARKED NEARBY.

THE BLAZE WAS EVENTUALLY PUT OUT BY LOCAL FIREMEN AT 4.11 AM. POLICE LATER FOUND SIX PERSONS COLLAPSED WHO WERE CERTIFIED DEAD BEFORE ARRIVAL IN A HOSPITAL.

THEY MIGHT HAVE DIED OF SUFFOCATION AND POST-MORTEM EXAMINATIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED LATER TODAY TO ASCERTAIN THE EXACT CAUSE OF DEATH, POLICE SAID.

ANOTHER 23 PEOPLE, COMPRISING 19 MEN AND FOUR WOMEN, WERE ALSO SENT TO A

HOSPITAL FOR TREATMENT.

THEY SUFFERED SLIGHT BURNS AND INJURIES. SEVEN OF THEM WERE ADMITTED IN POOR CONDITION.

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#90254h0100 09/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 11) XINHUA - INDIA'S INFLATION RATE DURING THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR HAS COME DOWN TO 7.4 PERCENT BY AUGUST END FROM 8.8 PERCENT OF THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR, A SENIOR INDIAN OFFICIAL SAID.

FINANCE MINISTER M.DANDAVATE WAS QUOTED BY LOCAL PRESS TODAY AS SAYING THAT DURING THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THE CURRENT YEAR, BUDGETARY DEFICIT HAS COME DOWN BY 15 BILLION RUPEES (882 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

THE GOVERNMENT ENVISAGED A DEFICIT OF 72.06 BILLION RUPEES (4.24 BILLION US DOLLARS) IN ITS BUDGET FOR THIS YEAR, WHICH WORKS OUT APPROXIMATELY TO 1.5 PERCENT OF THE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCTS.

GIVING AN ACCOUNT OF THE MEASURES FOLLOWED BY HIS GOVERNMENT TO CURTAIL EXPENDITURE, THE MINISTER INTRODUCED THE SYSTEM OF MONTHLY MONITORING. ACTION WAS BEING TAKEN TO ENFORCE A CUT OF 10 PERCENT IN UNCOMMITTED EXPENDITURE OF THE GOVERNMENT, HE SAID.

AS REGARDS INFLATION, THE MINISTER SAID THAT PROCUREMENT PROSPECTS ARE EXCELLENT FOLLOWING A GOOD MONSOON AND THERE SHOULD BE SOME FURTHER RELIEF IN THE PRICE FRONT.

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#90254h0106 09/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT. 11) XINHUA - ONE HUNDRED AIRLINES OF VARIOUS COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD EARNED ABOUT 172 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS LAST YEAR, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST ISSUE OF "THE AIRLINE BUSINESS" MAGAZINE.

THE REVENUE, ACCORDING TO THE MAGAZINE, WAS REALISED FROM 907 MILLION PASSENGERS DURING THE YEAR.

OUT OF THE 100 LEADING AIRLINES, THE 20 TOP-MOST AIRLINES GOT 113.8 BILLION DOLLARS OR 66 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL REVENUE.

TOP ON THE LIST WAS THE AMR CORPORATION AIRLINE (UNITED STATES), WHILE THE ALOHA AIR GROUP INCORPORATION IS AT THE BOTTOM.

EUROPE HAS THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF AIRLINES ON THE LIST WITH 38 IN ALL, FOLLOWED BY 26 AIRLINES IN NORTH AMERICA, 18 IN THE ASIAN AND PACIFIC REGION, 10 IN LATIN AMERICA AND EIGHT IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA.

THE MAGAZINE'S SURVEY WAS BASED ON REPORTS OF AIRLINES IN THE WORLD, THE 1989 REVENUE FIGURES, DATA FROM THE IATA'S WORLD AIR TRANSPORT STATISTICS AND MATERIALS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT.

WHILE THE TOP-100 EMPLOYED OVER 1.5 MILLION STAFF MEMBERS, THE TOP-MOST 20 AIRLINES EMPLOYED 769,000 PEOPLE AND CARRIED 561 MILLION PASSENGERS LAST YEAR.

ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY, ONLY 14 OF THE 100 AIRLINES RECORDED NET LOSS WHILE 86 AIRLINES ACHIEVED A NET PROFIT MARGIN OF 4.3 PERCENT.

DESPITE THE FACT THAT AMERICAN AIRLINES EARNED THE BIGGEST SHARE OF THE REVENUE UNDER SURVEY, SINGAPORE AIRLINE IS REGAR- DED AS THE WORLD'S MOST PROFITABLE CARRIER LAST YEAR, WITH 615 MILLION DOLLARS AS PROFIT IN THE YEAR.

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JINAN (SEPT. 11) XINHUA - THE BIGGEST DRUM IN THE WORLD WAS RECENTLY MADE IN SUZHOU, A CITY IN EAST CHINA'S JIANGSU PROVINCE, AND TRANSPORTED TO THE HOMETOWN OF CONFUCIUS -- QUFU IN SHANDONG PROVINCE.

THE DRUM WAS MADE FOR THE SHANDONG INTERNATIONAL CONFUCIAN CULTURAL FESTIVAL SOON TO BE HELD IN QUFU. CONFUCIUS (541 B.C.-479 B.C.) WAS CHINA'S MOST FAMOUS THINKER AND EDUCATIONIST.

THE DRUM IS IS 3.5 M LONG; ITS WAIST DIAMETER IS 2.5 M AND THE DIAMETER OF ITS TOP IS 1.4 M.

IT WEIGHS 1,500 KG, AND THE CONSTRUCTION INVOLVED THE USE OF 4.5 CU M OF WOOD AND 1,200 COPPER NAILS.

ACCORDING TO A LOCAL OFFICIAL, THE DRUM IS ONE M LONGER THAN THE PREVIOUS BIGGEST DRUM IN THE WORLD, WHICH IS PRESERVED IN THE UNITED STATES.

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SHANGHAI (SEPT. 11) XINHUA - A NEW OIL WELL WAS DRILLED RECENTLY IN THE EAST CHINA SEA, AND IS YIELDING A STEADY SUPPLY OF OIL AND GAS.

THE WELL IS LOCATED 400 KM SOUTHEAST OF SHANGHAI, THE BIGGEST INDUSTRIAL CITY IN CHINA.

THE WELL YIELDS 210 CU M OF OIL AND 269,000 CU M OF GAS A DAY. CHINA HAS BEEN PROSPECTING FOR OIL IN ITS OFFSHORE WATERS SINCE 1974. A TOTAL OF 19

WELLS HAVE BEEN DRILLED, AND EIGHT OF THEM HAVE YIELDED OIL AND GAS FLOWS AND NINE OF THEM HAVE TAPPED INTO OIL AND GAS RESERVES.

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#90254h0125 09/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 11) XINHUA - THE VALUE OF HONG KONG'S TOTAL MERCHANDISE TRADE BY AIR WAS 118.22 BILLION H.K. DOLLARS (15.16 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR, SIX PERCENT HIGHER THAN THAT IN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT STATISTICS RELEASED HERE TODAY, HONG KONG'S AIRBORNE DOMESTIC EXPORTS DECREASED BY ONE PERCENT IN VALUE TERMS WHILE THAT OF IMPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS ROSE BY SIX PERCENT AND 17 PERCENT RESPECTIVELY OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF COMPARISON.

THEIR SHARES IN HONG KONG'S TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS WERE 29 PERCENT, 20 PERCENT AND 17 PERCENT RESPECTIVELY.

IN TERMS OF WEIGHT, HONG KONG'S AIRBORNE IMPORTS AND TOTAL EXPORTS AMOUNTED TO 177,220 TONS AND 188,668 TONS RESPECTIVELY IN THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THIS YEAR WHICH REPRESENTED 16 PERCENT AND ONE PERCENT RESPECTIVELY HIGHER THAN THOSE IN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

DECREASES WERE RECORDED IN THE VALUE OF HONG KONG'S AIRBORNE DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO MOST MAJOR MARKETS INCLUDING THE UNITED STATES, JAPAN, BRITAIN, SWITZERLAND, FRANCE AND THE NETHERLANDS.

HOWEVER, SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES WERE RECORDED IN THE VALUE OF AIRBORNE DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO TAIWAN AND SINGAPORE.

INCREASES WERE ALSO RECORDED IN ITS AIRBORNE RE-EXPORTS TO THE MOST MAJOR MARKETS INCLUDING THE U.S., TAIWAN, JAPAN, SINGAPORE, THAILAND AND SWIZERLAND.

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#90254h0134 09/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HELSINKI (SEPT. 11) XINHUA - TWO BANKS AND A POST OFFICE WERE ROBBED ON MONDAY IN SOUTHERN FINLAND, LOCAL NEWSPAPERS REPORTED TODAY.

UNIDENTIFIED ARMED MEN ROBBED DURING THE DAY ONE BANK IN JURVA TOWN, ANOTHER BANK IN FORSSA TOWN AND A POST OFFICE NEAR HEINOLA. ALL THE ROBBERS ESCAPED FROM THE SPOTS.

ACCORDING TO THE FINNISH POLICE, ABOUT 28 BANK AND POST OFFICE ROBBERY CASES HAVE BEEN RECORDED SO FAR THIS YEAR. THEY SAID THE NUMBER OF CASES OF THIS KIND HAS BEEN INCREASING THESE YEARS.

THE POLICE SAID THAT ONE OF THE REASONS IS THE SHARP INCREASE OF DRUG ADDICTS, WHO OFTEN GO ROBBING WHEN SHORT OF MONEY TO BUY DRUGS.

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#90254h0140 09/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 11) XINHUA - PHILIPPINE PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO SAID THAT FORMER FIRST LADY IMELDA MARCOS SHOULD HAVE TO PROVE FIRST HER SINCERITY TO RETURN HER ILL-GOTTEN WEALTH BEFORE SHE IS ALLOWED TO COME BACK TO THE COUNTRY.

THE PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT WAS IN RESPONSE TO MRS. MARCOS' OFFER TO RETURN PART OF THE WEALTH OF HER HUSBAND, FORMER PRESIDENT FERDINAND MARCOS, IN EXCHANGE FOR PERMISSION TO RETURN TO THE PHILIPPINES.

REPORTS SAID MRS. MARCOS WAS RENEWING HER OFFER ON THE OCCASION OF THE 73RD BIRTH ANNIVERSARY TODAY OF HER LATE HUSBAND IN HAWAII. DURING THE CELEBRATION, MRS. MARCOS SAID SHE WANTED TO RECONCILE WITH PRESIDENT AQUINO "FOR THE SAKE OF THE FILIPINO PEOPLE."

PRESIDENT AQUINO SAID IN A STATEMENT TODAY, "THESE OFFERS ARE BEST FIRST ADDRESSED TO THE PCGG (PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION ON GOOD GOVERNMENT), SPECIFICALLY TO ITS CHAIRMAN, DAVID CASTRO, FOR THE PCGG TO ASSESS IN ALL ASPECTS INCLUDING THOSE OF SINCERITY AND JUSTICE."

THE PCGG IS TASKED TO RECOVER THE ILL-GOTTEN WEALTH STASHED HERE AND ABROAD BY THE MARCOSES AND THEIR BUSINESS CRONIES.

THE AQUINO GOVERNMENT STANDS PAT ON ITS POSITION THAT MRS. MARCOS AND HER HUSBAND'S REMAINS SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO RETURN BECAUSE THEY ARE A SECURITY THREAT.

MRS. AQUINO SAID, "IN THE PAST, IT TURNED OUT THAT THE MUCH PUBLICIZED OFFER OF THE MARCOSES TO DONATE PROPERTIES REFERRED TO THE SEQUESTERED ASSETS THAT WERE NOT SUBJECT TO THE DONOR'S FREE DISPOSITION."

THE PRESIDENT ADDED THAT THE RETURN OF THE MARCOSES WILL HAVE TO WAIT FOR A "MORE PROPITIOUS TIME."

"PRUDENCE DICTATES THAT ADDITIONAL OCCASIONS FOR DEBILITATING AND DISTRACTING ACTIVITIES BE AVOIDED," SAID MRS. AQUINO.

THE MARCOSES WERE TOPPLED BY A CIVILIAN-BACKED MILITARY UPRISING IN 1986 AND FLED TO HONOLULU. FERDINAND MARCOS DIED OF ILLNESS ON SEPTEMBER 28, 1989 AT THE AGE OF 72.

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Nightline (ABC) September 10, 1990 (Transcript #2426)

Strange Bedfellows in the Persian Gulf Crisis: Secretary of State James Baker announced he will visit Syrian President Hafez al-Assad in Damascus, suddenly bridging a previously large diplomatic gulf between the two countries based on Syria's role in terrorist activities. At the same time, Iraq and Iran will exchange ambassadors and reestablish diplomatic relationships after an eight-year war that cost a million lives.

Crossfire (CNN) September 10, 1990 (Transcript #136)

Dangerous Liaisons?: Robert Hunter of the Carter National Security Council and Roger Robinson of the Reagan National Security Council discuss the results of the Bush-Gorbachev summit and the apparent U.S.-Soviet alliance.

Face to Face With Connie Chung September 10, 1990 (Transcript #43)

''Highway Rest Stops: Closet Encounters'' (high-risk sexual encounters between men); ''Cybill Shepherd: Woman of Substance'' (from teen model to movies to TV star, the ups and downs of her career); ''Puppy Mills: Horror Story'' (nightmare journey of puppies bound for pet stores); ''Martha Griffiths: The Politics of Office'' (after three decades of defending women, minority and elderly rights, Michigan Lieutenant Governor is now fighting for her own).

Larry King Live (CNN) September 10, 1990 (Transcript #126)

Telephone Terrorism / Reba McEntire: A discussion with victims of obscene or threatening telephone callers; an interview with country and western singer Reba McEntire.

Moneyline (CNN) September 10, 1990 (Transcript #180)

The budget battle is bogged down; after three months and a $300-million facelift, a New Jersey Ford plant begins producing Ranger pickups; light crude oil -- one of ten different types of crude traded; the giant chip-maker Intel is trying to cope with a series of serious setbacks;

Tokyo stocks skyrocket; the Emeryville School District in California returns from the brink of bankruptcy.

Good Morning America (ABC) September 10, 1990 (Transcript #1106)

Helsinki summit; budget summit; Pete Sampras interview; drug- detecting aerosols; Monday Night Football: 20 years; Kitty Dukakis interview; chameleons; treating minor burns; Meryl Streep interview.

Donahue September 10, 1990 (Transcript #3030)

Deborah Norville: The controversial Today show hostess talks about her career, her motherhood, and the controversy that erupted over her replacement of Jane Pauley on NBC's then top- rated morning news program.

Geraldo September 10, 1990 (Transcript #778)

When Does a Fan Become a Fanatic?: Fans of Kenny Rogers, Cher, Louise Mandrell, Elvis and the New Kids on the Block discuss the extent of their adoration and how far they will go to see their favorite superstar. Kenny Rogers and Louise Mandrell make guest appearances and discuss their feelings about their fans and their fans' feelings for them.

Sally Jessy Raphael September 10, 1990 (Transcript #526)

Shirley and Marty: Shirley Jones and her husband, Marty Ingels, talk about their life together and their many differences and fewer similarities. Also, Ms. Jones talks about her late ex- husband, Jack Cassidy, and her children. Mr. Ingels discusses what led to his nervous breakdown and how he recovered from it.

Oprah Winfrey Show September 10, 1990 (Transcript #1041)

Barbara Mandrell: After months of recovery, Barbara Mandrell tells the whole story behind the accident that changed her life forever. She is joined by her sisters, Louise and Irlene, to tallk about their family life.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) September 10, 1990 (Transcript #166)

Is the Big Apple Rotten?: The Mayor says he wants to wait until next month when a study is completed, before he announces how many new cops he wants to hire. Governor Cuomo says the time for analysis is past and will unveil his plan to deal with New York City's crime crisis tomorrow.

Tuesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Killed by a Police Car Chase Sally Jessy Raphael: Missing Parents Geraldo:

Church Scandal (Part 1) Oprah Winfrey: Kitty Dukakis

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#90254k0048 09/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 11) KYODO - SOUTH KOREA'S OUTSTANDING DEBTS OWED TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES STOOD AT 30.48 BILLION DOLLARS AT THE END OF JULY, UP 1.08 BILLION DOLLARS FROM THE END OF 1989, YONHAP NEWS AGENCY REPORTED TUESDAY.

CITING OFFICIAL FIGURES, THE REPORT SAID SOUTH KOREA HAD EXTERNAL ASSETS OF 26.73 BILLION DOLLARS AS OF JULY 31, LEAVING NET FOREIGN DEBTS OF 3.75 BILLION DOLLARS COMPARED WITH 3.0 BILLION DOLLARS AT THE END OF 1989.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE CONTROL OFFICIALS WERE QUOTED AS SAYING THE COUNTRY'S FOREIGN DEBTS MOVED UP AND DOWN BY LESS THAN 500 MILLION DOLLARS EACH MONTH UNTIL JUNE THIS YEAR.

IN JULY, INCREASED SHORT-TERM DEBTS BOOSTED TOTAL FOREIGN DEBTS BY 1.06 BILLION DOLLARS FROM JUNE, ACCORDING TO THE REPORT.

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#90254k0091 09/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 11) KYODO - HITACHI LTD. HAS CREATED AN ULTRAHIGH VACUUM, WITH THE PRESSURE REDUCED TO ABOUT SEVEN 100 BILLIONTH OF A PASCAL, AS VACANT AS THE SPACE SEVERAL THOUSAND KILOMETERS FROM EARTH, AT A LABORATORY IN IBARAKI PREFECTURE, HITACHI OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

SUCH AN EXTREMELY LOW-PRESSURE VACUUME CAN BE USED IN MAKING ELECTRON MICROSCOPES THAT ARE LESS VULNERABLE TO THE EFFECT OF MOLECULES IN THE AIR AND IN THE PRODUCTION OF MICROCHIPS 1,000 TIMES DENSER THAN THE CURRENT VERSION, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

''BUT ACTUAL APPLICATION TO SUCH DEVICES IS STILL A LONG WAY OFF,'' A HITACHI SPOKESMAN SAID.

HITACHI ACHIEVED THE ULTRAHIGH VACUUM BY USING TWO KINDS OF VACUUM PUMPS -- A TURBO MOLECULE PUMP AND A TITANIUM SUBLIMATION PUMP.

THE PROCESS INCLUDES DIFFUSION OF GAS MOLECULES BY THE TURBO MOLECULE PUMP FROM THE CONTAINER AND CHEMICALLY SOAKING UP THE REMAINING MOLECULES WITH THE TITANIUM SUBLIMATION PUMP.

THE MAIN PROBLEM WITH SUCH A PROCESS HAS BEEN GASSES SUCH AS HYDROGEN AND CARBON MONOXIDE ESCAPING FROM THE SURFACE OF THE CONTAINER IN WHICH THE PRESSURE IS TO BE REDUCED.

HITACHI OVERCAME THIS BY TREATING THE STAINLESS SURFACE OF THE CONTAINER WITH A SPECIAL THERMAL PROCESS TO COAT IT WITH OXIDIZED FILM.

AS A RESULT, THE GENERATION OF GASSES FROM THE SURFACE DROPPED TO ONE TENTH.

THE SUBLIMATION PUMP, MADE OF SUPER PURE TITANIUM, SERVED AS A CRYOGENIC PUMP WHOSE SURFACE WAS COOLED TO 77 K ON THE KELVIN SCALE BY LIQUID NITROGEN, A RELATIVELY HIGH TEMPERATURE FOR THIS KIND OF VACUUM PUMP. THE KELVIN SCALE MEASURES CENTIGRADE UNITS ABOVE ABSOLUTE ZERO WHICH IS 273 DEGREES BELOW ZERO CELSIUS.

CREATING SUCH A VACUUM USUALLY REQUIRES COOLING THE SURFACES OF THE CRYOGENIC PUMPS TO ABOUT 20 K BY MEANS OF LIQUID HYDROGEN OR TO 4 K WITH LIQUID HELIUM.

THE WHOLE PROCESS TOOK NINE DAYS, ACCORDING TO THE HITACHI OFFICIALS. A SEVEN 100 BILLIONTHS PASCAL VACUUM, THE LOWEST EVER ACHIEVED ON EARTH, COULD ENABLE RESEARCHERS TO MANIPULATE MOLECULES AND ATOMS SINGLY, A PREREQUISITE TO THE PRODUCTION OF SUPER DENSE CHIPS, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS.

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#90254k0101 09/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 11) KYODO - NIPPON YUSEN K.K. SAID TUESDAY IT WILL CONSTRUCT A DISTRIBUTION CENTER FOR CARGO CONTAINERS IN JAKARTA NEXT YEAR, JOINTLY WITH THE ASTRA BUSINESS GROUP OF INDONESIA.

THE CENTER TO BE LOCATED IN THE BAY OF TANJUNG PRIOK WILL HAVE WAREHOUSES AND SORTING FACILITIES. BUT THE SCALE OF THE OVERALL VENTURE AND TOTAL INVESTMENT ARE NOT YET KNOWN, NIPPON YUSEN OFFICIALS SAID.

THE CARGO DISTRIBUTION BUSINESS IS NOW BOOMING IN THE REGION, WHERE NINE EXPORT AND IMPORT INDUSTRIAL COMPLEXES HAVE RECENTLY BEEN SET UP, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS.

NIPPON YUSEN, JAPAN'S LEADING SHIPPING FIRM, HAS SET UP SEVERAL CONTAINER DISTRIBUTION CENTERS IN SUCH PLACES AS HONG KONG, BANGKOK, SINGAPORE AND

MALAYSIA. ITS BANGKOK CENTER, FOR INSTANCE, IS CONSTRUCTED WITH AN INVESTMENT OF SOME ONE BILLION YEN AND COVERS ABOUT 44,000 SQUARE METERS.

THE PLANNED CENTER IN TANJUNG PRIOK WILL PROBABLY BE OF THE SAME SCALE OR LARGER, THEY ADDED.

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#90254k0103 09/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 11) KYODO - FOLLOWING THE GOVERNMENT'S RECENT DECISION TO RESUME LENDING TO CHINA, JAPANESE BUSINESSES WILL DISPATCH A POWERFUL MISSION TO THE COUNTRY TO DISCUSS EXTENDING A LONG-TERM BILATERAL TRADE PACT.

THE 60-MEMBER MISSION, WHICH WILL ARRIVE IN CHINA ON SEPTEMBER 16, IS EXPECTED TO DISCUSS A SECOND FIVE-YEAR EXTENSION OF THE BILATERAL AGREEMENT UNDER WHICH JAPAN IMPORTS OIL AND COAL FROM CHINA AND EXPORTS PLANTS AND EQUIPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION MATERALS. THE FIRST PACT COVERING SEVEN YEARS FROM 1979 TO 1985 WAS EXTENDED FOR FIVE YEARS IN 1985.

THE EXTENSION IS SCHEDULED TO BE FINALIZED IN TOKYO IN LATE NOVEMBER OR EARLY DECEMBER IF ALL GOES WELL.

IN THE CURRENT FIVE-YEAR AGREEMENT, ENDING IN 1990, CALLS UPON JAPAN TO IMPORT 8.8-9.3 MILLION TONS OF CRUDE OIL AND 3.7-4.1 MILLION TONS OF COAL FROM CHINA ANNUALLY.

THE PROPOSED SECOND EXTENSION FOLLOWS A REQUEST MADE LAST YEAR BY CHINA, WHICH WAS PLAGUED BY THE LACK OF FOREIGN-CURRENCY RESERVES AND PROGRESS IN ITS INDUSTRIAL MODERNIZATION PROGRAM.

THE DELEGATION WILL BE HEADED BY RYOICHI KAWAI, CHAIRMAN OF THE JAPAN-CHINA ASSOCIATION ON ECONOMY AND TRADE, AND INCLUDE EISHIRO SAITO, CHAIRMAN OF THE FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS (KEIDANREN) AND GAISHI HIRAIWA, KEIDANREN'S VICE CHAIRMAN. THEY WILL MEET WITH OFFICIALS OF THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT TO DISCUSS FUTURE BILATERAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS.

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#90254k0105 09/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 11) KYODO - PHILIPPINE PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO ON TUESDAY REJECTED NEW APPEALS BY THE FORMER FIRST LADY, IMELDA MARCOS, THAT HER FAMILY AND THE BODY OF HER HUSBAND, THE LATE RULER FERDINAND, BE ALLOWED TO RETURN HERE.

AQUINO SAID, IN A STATEMENT, THAT THE RETURN OF THE MARCOSES ''HAS TO WAIT A MORE PROPITIOUS TIME.'' SHE SAID ''PRUDENCE DICTATES THAT ADDITIONAL OCCASIONS FOR DEBILITATING AND DISTRACTING ACTIVITIES BE AVOIDED.''

IMELDA, DURING A MASS IN HAWAII MARKING THE ANNIVERSARY OF HER HUSBAND'S BIRTH, CALLED ON AQUINO TO PERMIT THEM TO RETURN HOME.

MARCOS AND HIS FAMILY FLED TO HAWAII FOLLOWING THE FEBRUARY 1986 UPHEAVAL THAT THRUST AQUINO INTO THE PRESIDENCY. MARCOS DIED SEPTEMBER 28, 1989 IN HONOLULU AFTER A LINGERING ILLNESS.

AQUINO HAS IN THE PAST SPURNED TALKS ABOUT THE POSSIBLE RESETTLEMENT OF THE MARCOSES HERE AND A PHILIPPINE BURIAL FOR THE DEPOSED RULER, CITING NATIONAL SECURITY CONSIDERATIONS.

THE LATEST REFUSAL OF THE MARCOS FAMILY'S REQUEST BY AQUINO COMES AMID SPECULATION OVER THE POSSIBILITY OF A NEW COUP BID. THE GOVERNMENT IS BRACING ITSELF FOR POSSIBLE STREET VIOLENCE WITH THE FORTHCOMING ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW PRICE INCREASES FOR PETROLEUM PRODUCTS RESULTING FROM THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS.

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#90254k0106 09/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 11) KYODO - SINGAPOREAN FOREIGN MINISTER WONG KAN SENG VOICED CONCERN ON TUESDAY ABOUT THE FUTURE ROLE OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN) AFTER THE CAMBODIAN CONFLICT IS SETTLED.

''WITH THE END OF THE CAMBODIAN CONFLICT NOW IN SIGHT, ASEAN MUST FIND NEW RALLYING POINTS TO KEEP US TOGETHER,'' WONG TOLD A MEETING OF LEGISLATORS FROM FIVE OF THE SIX ASEAN COUNTRIES.

FOR THE PAST 11 YEARS, ASEAN HAS HELPED MOBILIZE INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMATIC OPPOSITION FOR VIETNAM'S INVASION OF CAMBODIA AND HAS WORKED TO BRING THE COUNTRY'S FOUR WARRING FACTIONS TO THE NEGOTIATING TABLE.

THE PHNOM PENH GOVERNMENT AND THREE GUERRILLA GROUPS AGREED IN JAKARTA ON MONDAY TO ACCEPT A UNITED NATIONS PEACE PLAN AND FORM A SUPREME NATIONAL COUNCIL THAT WOULD OVERSEE THE TRANSITION TO PEACE AND DEMOCRACY IN CAMBODIA.

ASEAN GROUPS INDONESIA, MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE, THAILAND, INDONESIA, THE PHILIPPINES AND BRUNEI.

WONG URGED THE REGIONAL GROUPING TO SEEK NEW AREAS OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION NOT ONLY AMONG ITS MEMBERS BUT ALSO WITH OTHER COUNTRIES.

APPARENTLY ALLUDING TO RECENT EFFORTS BY SINGAPORE TO CREATE A ''GROWTH TRIANGLE'' LINKING SINGAPORE, MALAYSIA'S SOUTHERN STATE OF JOHOR AND INDONESIA'S RHIAU PROVINCE, WONG SAID ASEAN NEEDS TO ''ENHANCE ITS COLLECTIVE ATTRACTIVENESS TO INVESTORS.''

TURNING TO THE ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION FORUM (APEC) GROUP, WONG SAID ASEAN CAN PLAY A MAJOR ROLE IN SHAPING THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC FORUM.

''WE WILL HAVE TO WORK TO FIND CREATIVE WAYS OF ENSURING THAT APEC COMPLEMENTS ASEAN ECONOMIC COOPERATION,'' HE SAID.

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#90254k0119 09/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 11) KYODO - THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT SAID TUESDAY IT WILL OFFER 99.59 BILLION YEN IN LOANS TO SOUTH KOREA AS THE FINAL PORTION OF A TOTAL OF THE EQUIVALENT OF 1.85 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS WORTH OF LOANS JAPAN AGREED TO IN 1983.

THE TWO COUNTRIES AGREED LAST DECEMBER TO END JAPANESE LOANS AS SOUTH KOREA HAS BECOME A CREDITOR NATION SINCE THE MID-1980S, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SAID.

LOANS FROM JAPAN TO SOUTH KOREA HAVE TOTALED 645.5 BILLION YEN SINCE THE TWO COUNTRIES NORMALIZED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS IN 1965.

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS, THE FINAL LOANS WILL BE USED FOR SEVEN PROJECTS IN SOUTH KOREA. THEY INCLUDE SUBWAY CONSTRUCTION IN SEOUL WORTH 72 BILLION YEN, 11.52 BILLION YEN FOR THE MODERNIZATION OF SMALL- AND MEDIUM-SIZED CORPORATIONS, CONSTRUCTION OF A FEED PLANT WORTH 5.41 BILLION YEN, AND 4.32 BILLION YEN FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH FACILITIES AT SEOUL UNIVERSITY.

THE REPAYMENT TERM IS 25 YEARS, INCLUDING SEVEN-YEAR DEFERMENT. THE INTEREST RATE IS 4.0 PERCENT A YEAR, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THEY SAID THE SOUTH KOREAN ECONOMY HAS GROWN RAPIDLY IN RECENT YEARS, SHOWING TRADE SURPLUSES SINCE THE MID-1980S. THE COUNTRY BECAME A LENDER OF CAPITAL TO SUCH COUNTRIES AS INDONESIA AND NIGERIA FROM 1987.

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#90254k0120 09/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 11) KYODO - SCHRODERS PLC., A BRITISH MERCHANT BANKING GROUP SAID TUESDAY THAT IT HAS ESTABLISHED A FIRM IN LONDON TO ASSIST AN INCREASING NUMBER OF JAPANESE COMPANIES SEEKING TO EXPAND IN EUROPE THROUGH MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS.

THE NEW FIRM, SCHRODERS JAPAN, HAS ALSO OPENED A BRANCH OFFICE IN AKASAKA, TOKYO.

THE LONDON-BASED SCHRODERS, WHICH HAS A WORLDWIDE NETWORK OF BRANCHES IN 21 COUNTRIES, PREVIOUSLY HANDLED SUCH BUSINESS THROUGH THE MERGERS DIVISION OF SCHRODERS SECURITIES IN TOKYO.

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#90254k0121 09/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (SEPT. 11) KYODO - MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO. HAS ESTABLISHED A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY IN IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, TO DEVELOP AVIONICS, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

THE ONE MILLION DOLLAR SUBSIDIARY, MATSUSHITA AVIONICS DEVELOPMENT CO., WILL BEGIN OPERATION IN OCTOBER WITH 30 EMPLOYEES.

THE MOVE IS INTENDED TO STRENGTHEN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF AVIONICS SYSTEMS, INCLUDING AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT IN AIRPLANES, IN THE UNITED STATES WHERE MANY BIG AIRPLANE MANUFACTURERS ARE BASED.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE COMPANY PLANS TO BEGIN DEVELOPMENT OF AVIONICS SYSTEMS NOT ONLY IN PASSENGER CABINS BUT ALSO COCKPITS.

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#90254k0155 09/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MATSUMOTO, NAGANO PREF. (SEPT. 12) KYODO - A SIX-YEAR-OLD BOY WHO RECEIVED A TRANSPLANT OF PART OF HIS FATHER'S LIVER HAD A SUCCESSFUL OPERATION, DOCTORS SAID WEDNESDAY OF THE NATION'S FIFTH SUCH CASE.

THE PARTIAL LIVER TRANSPLANT FOR THE SON OF A NAGANO RESIDENT TOOK 14 HOURS. THE CLOSELY WATCHED OPERATION STARTED TUESDAY MORNING, THE DOCTORS AT THE SHINSHU UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL SAID.

THE OPERATION WAS THE SECOND AT THE HOSPITAL, AND PROGRESSED TWO TO THREE HOURS FASTER THAN THE FIRST OPERATION IN JUNE. THE DOCTORS HAD BECOME USED TO THE OPERATION, THEY SAID.

THE BOY IS THE SON OF A COMPANY EMPLOYEE. HE HAD SUFFERED A CONGENITALLY BLOCKED BILIARY DUCT, AND WAS DIAGNOSED IN JUNE IN A CRITICAL CONDITION WITH A FEW MONTHS TO LIVE, UNLESS HE HAD A LIVER TRANSPLANT. HE HAD TWO OPERATIONS BEFORE.

THE HOSPITAL DETERMINED TO OPERATE ON THE CHILD LAST MONTH AT HIS PARENTS' REQUEST, AFTER APPROVAL FROM THE UNIVERSITY'S ETHICS COMMITTEE.

THE DOCTORS SAID THEY OBTAINED AN INFORMED CONSENT FROM THE PARENTS FOR THE OPERATION AND CONFIRMED THE CONSENT ON AUGUST 25, THE DAY AFTER THE NATION'S FIRST RECIPIENT OF A LIVING LIVER DIED IN SHIMANE PREFECTURE.

THE LATEST OPERATION STARTED JUST AFTER 10 A.M. TUESDAY. THE DOCTORS FIRST EXTRACTED THE SON'S LIVER. A QUARTER OF THE LIVER OF HIS FATHER WHICH WAS EXTRACTED PREVIOUSLY, WAS THEN TRANSPLANTED AT 7 P.M.

BUT DOCTORS SAID THE TREATMENT OF THE CHILD'S INTESTINES, WHICH HAD BEEN OPERATED ON BEFORE, CAUSED A LITTLE SNAG IN THE OPERATION, WHICH ENDED AT 12:32 A.M. WEDNESDAY.

THE LIVER TRANSPLANT OPERATION ON THE NAGANO BOY DREW ATTENTION FROM MEDICAL CIRCLES BECAUSE IT WAS THE FIRST SINCE YUYA SUGIMOTO DIED. HE WAS JAPAN'S FIRST RECIPIENT OF SUCH A LIVING ORGAN, ON AUGUST 24.

A SEVEN-YEAR-OLD GIRL IN MATSUMOTO, NAGANO PREFECTURE, HAD A LIVING LIVER TRANSPLANT OPERATION AT THE HOSPITAL ON JUNE 19.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 12) KYODO - THE SOVIET UNION WILL FORMALLY ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH SOUTH KOREA IN NOVEMBER, THE OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT NEWSPAPER IZVESTIA SAID TUESDAY.

SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND SOUTH KOREAN PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO AGREED TO PROMOTE NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THEIR MEETING IN SAN FRANCISCO LAST JUNE.

SOUTH KOREA'S KOREAN BROADCASTING SYSTEM (KBS) REPORTED ON MONDAY THAT A BASIC AGREEMENT HAD BEEN REACHED BETWEEN MOSCOW AND SEOUL TO ESTABLISH FULL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS IN EARLY NOVEMBER.

IZVESTIA SAID THE PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS WILL FOLLOW FOREIGN MINISTER-LEVEL TALKS IN NEW YORK ON SEPTEMBER 26 AND A SOVIET DELEGATION'S VISIT TO SOUTH KOREA IN OCTOBER.

THE MAJOR PURPOSE OF THE SOVIET DELEGATION TO SEOUL WILL BE TO DISCUSS EXCHANGE OF AMBASSADORS AND PROMOTION OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS, IT SAID.

THE TWO COUNTRIES ALREADY HAVE CONSULAR OFFICES IN EACH OTHER'S CAPITAL. SOVIET-SOUTH KOREAN RELATIONS HAVE THAWED SINCE THE SOVIET UNION SENT A TEAM TO THE 1988 SEOUL OLYMPICS.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT 11) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stock markets are lower: ... The Nikkei loses 476 points to 24,605. ... London stocks are slightly lower in midday trading. ... U.S. stocks trading in London are down, and the EXMI is off 0.60. ... The Dollar surges in overnight trading. ... Crude oil comes off it's highs.

Regulators have blocked the proposed sale of a $3 billion junk bond portfolio by COLUMBIA SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION saying that the S&L failed to get the best value. ... GANNETT CO. says it may be facing its first year of lower earnings for the first time in 22 years. television industry and sends the measure to the SENATE. ... NRC announces a wireless network that connects personal computers through radio waves instead of cables. ... Negotiators for GENERAL MOTORS and the UNITED AUTO WORKERS have reached a tentative agreement on nearly all non-economic issues. ... AMERICAN CYANAMID completes the plan for selling its Shulton Group of consumer products by agreeing to sell its Breck hair care products line to GREYHOUND DIAL. ... PIZZA HUT is opening its first restaurant in the Soviet Union.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

Budget negotiations resume at 10 a.m. EDT this morning at Andrews Air Force Base. ... PRESIDENT BUSH makes a nationally televised address to Congress tonight.

FROM THE BULLS:

"Despite the drop, I feel the Dow has the potential to get to 2700 shortly " says JAY HOHMANN of DONALDSON LUFKIN JENRETTE SECURITIES. "Participation is low, and it won't take much to get the market going on the upside," says Hohmann, who warns that his expected rally may be delayed by events in the Middle East. ("Investor's Daily", 9/11)

"I think it's very easy to be a bull right here," says KENNETH HACKEL, president of SYSTEMIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT. "If one looks past ... the Persian Gulf ... at the value of American equities, they are so overwhelmingly undervalued. Stocks now are selling at about 19 times free cash flow. That's where they typically sell at the bottom of a recession. Stocks are just so, so cheap now." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/10)

"Our warning index is telling us the market had moved to an extreme on the downside and has the potential to move higher," says the head of TRENDSTAT CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, THOMAS BASSO. He says the market may mark time building a foundation, but is committing more cash to the market. He is presently at 62% cash, compared with 71% two weeks ago. ("Investor's Daily", 9/11)

FROM THE BEARS:

"You're getting the same tired leadership that you got last week," says technician EDWARD NICOSKI at PIPER JAFFRAY AND HOPWOOD. "I think that secondary growth stocks are going to lead some kind of continued rally, but it's probably going to be a rally in a bear market." ("The Washington Post", 9/11)

STOCK MARKET:

The dollar's unexpected strength may support stocks on Wall Street this morning, says SHEARSON LEHMAN's MICHAEL BENSON from London. "Initially I would have called for the market to open near 2600, test that level and hold. But with this dollar, we could be down only 5 or 10 points initially and see if we can recover there." (FNN "World Business Update", 9/11)

"The signs [of a coming decline] were there since last August when we started losing the breadth of the market and the momentum of the market," says BERNADETTE MURPHY, a technical analyst at M. KIMELMAN. She says a rally is likely, but also predicts that "we will probably set lower lows before this whole correction is completed." (CNN "Moneyline", 9/10)

"The sentiment in the stock market is much healthier for a rally than in the bond market," says MICHAEL KRAUSS, technical analyst at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/10)

"The psychology seems to be changing here," says RON DORAN of C.L. KING & ASSOCIATES. "A lot of money managers are pretty sure that for the next three to six months the market will be in a downward spiral." ("USA Today", 9/10)

"We're dealing with a confluence of a lot of problems, not just one problem," says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. He lists the Middle East, the budget, a weaker economy and high debt levels as factors buffeting the market. "It's almost too much for the market," says Acuff. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/10)

Investors are staying on the sidelines because there is "no sense of urgency to get their money invested in the market," says HUGH JOHNSON, head strategist for the FIRST ALBANY CORPORATION. "Most investors I talk to, large and small, have said [the market] is too risky. They feel comfortable with large cash positions and will stay on the sidelines until there's a resolution in the Mideast. The light volume is evidence of how uncommitted most investors are." He believes that investors are reacting to "continued concern over how the Middle East problem will be resolved and reports of significant skepticism that a deficit reduction package will be reached before the President speaks" to Congress tonight. Johnson

adds, "It looks like there isn't going to be any military confrontation, but there still is genuine concern about the Middle East." (NYT and WSJ, 9/11)

"I think I'll get a buy signal late this year [or] early '91," says ELAINE GARZARELLI of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. Until then, she looks for a trading range between 2400 and 2850, and is staying in cash. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/10)

STOCK TIPS:

"In the environment of volatility we're seeing," MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY thinks the utilities are a smart investment, both the electrics and telephones. He says their run-up is not yet finished, and says investors should buy "through the end of the year and into early next year." He also likes IBM, "just because so many people don't like it anymore." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/10)

Investors "are trying to reduce their retail exposure all at once. Everyone's trying to get out the door at the same time," says JONATHAN SCHOOLAR, a co-manager of the AIM WEINGARTEN and CONSTELLATION funds. "Some extremely illogical candidates have been sold off. It's pure emotion." STEPHEN POLLING of AMEV ADVISERS agrees, saying, "people are taking a short-term view" of retail stocks. He predicts WAL-MART will enjoy 25% annual growth in the next decade, and calls it "one of the great stocks of the 1990s." Polling also likes TOYS "R" US. "They've indicated their back-to-school business has been slow, but they are in a class by themselves in terms of toy retailing." ("Investor's Daily", 9/11)

DAN DORFMAN writes in "USA Today" that he has learned ARTHUR GOLDBERG has bought about 6% worth of BALLY MANUFACTURING CORP. stock and plans to take an active role in running the company -- with management's blessing. ("USA Today", 9/11)

The impact of the Gulf crisis on world shipping will only be temporary, says PHILLIP DODGE of NORMURA RESEARCH. "There's an excellent trading opportunity followed by a good investment opportunity in OVERSEAS SHIPBUILDING," says Dodge. With winter approaching, Dodge likes natural gas producer COASTAL which also operates pipelines. Expecting the profit margin on gasoline to remain high even if crude prices decline, He recommends SUN, the U.S.'s largest independent refiner. (CNN "Business Day", 9/11)

ELECTRONIC DATA SYSTEMS, which trades as the Class E stock of parent GENERAL MOTORS, has signed more than $6 billion in new business in recent weeks and is seeking to expand to a $25 billion company within the next decade. "The last month, that strategy certainly seems to be bearing fruit," says CHARLES FRUMBERG of MABON, NUGENT. Acquisition of one-half

the reservations system owned by the parent of CONTINENTAL and EASTERN airlines doesn't add much to earnings at first, "but if they can acquire other systems, it really expands their business," says ARTHUR DAVIS of PRESCOTT, BALL & TURBEN. ("USA Today", 9/11)

ORACLE software rebounded 3/8 yesterday after falling Friday on news of the company's first quarterly loss. Oracle warned shareholders of a loss of as much as 20 cents per share for the quarter ended Aug. 31, compared to a year ago profit of 9 cents per share. "The company's credibility is shot and that is something that is going to take at least a couple of quarters" to be re-established, says TERRANCE QUINN of KIDDER, PEABODY. ("Investor's Daily", 9/11)

DANIEL HERSH, airline analyst at BATEMAN EICHLER, HILL RICHARDS in Los Angeles says the weakness in some airline stocks presents a buying opportunity. His recommendations: SOUTHWEST AIRLINE, ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES and AIR MIDWEST. ("USA Today", 9/11)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC 5) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

The dollar surged overnight against the yen, mark and pound, surprising currency options trader LENNY DENDUNNEN of the UNION BANK OF SWITZERLAND. "My only feeling is that people are tired of selling dollars and figured they might buy some for a change," says Dendunnen who finds no evidence of large orders to account for the move up. "Most people are saying [the gains] are off the back of some cross trading." (FNN "World Business Update", 9/11)

"It's looking bad for" the mark, says CLAUS WAGNER, chief trader at CITIBANK in Frankfurt. "I really believe we've seen the worst for the dollar. We've seen all the bad news. If a currency is going to weaken, it's the mark." (WSJ, 9/11)

Investors have begun to move from sterling to the yen as a result of the perceived peak in British interest rates and the recovery in the Japanese stock market, says JAMES McGROARTY of GREENWICH CAPITAL MARKETS. He says the dollar's strength yesterday was "more of an individual currency assessment rather than an overall dollar view." ("Investor's Daily", 9/11)

"If the Fed is thinking of easing right now, their window of opportunity seems to be shrinking, because the market will get a very bad report on

producer price inflation for August on Friday," says WARD McCARTHY, a managing director at STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. "And if the Fed allows this window of opportunity to pass, I think it will bode ill for the economy." He continues, "There are no signs yet of a complete collapse [in the economy], but if policy makers wait for those sorts of signals it will be too late." (NYT, 9/11)

"I think the Fed will lag in easing, I think we're probably talking October-November before they start," says JOSEPH PLOCEK, chief economist at McCARTHY CRISANTI MAFFEI. "But I think the longer they wait the more they will have to ease, and we're probably talking about a 7% Federal fund rate by the end of the year." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/10)

"The budget is the key to what the Fed will or won't do," says JAMES CAPRA a senior vice president at SHEARSON LEHMAN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES. "And if we don't get a budget agreement in the next 24 hours, my feeling is they won't have one until the end of the month, when sequestration will push them into it." (NYT, 9/11)

"I would not read too much in the way of substance," into the junk bond rally yesterday, says JOHN LONSKI, senior economist at MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE INC. If oil prices remain above $30 a barrel when the market opens today, he says, junk bond prices are likely to fall. (WSJ, 9/11)

THE ECONOMY:

Half of the 50 economists surveyed by the monthly newsletter "Blue Chip Economic Indicators" say the economy is in a recession or will be in one by the end of the year. That compares with just 11% who had that sentiment four months ago. "The U.S. economy faces the greatest risks it's seen for at least the past eight years," says ROBERT EGGERT, editor of the newsletter. ("USA Today", 9/11)

"These are very tough markets for investors, because they are so reactive to the political and economic news" says MARY FARRELL of PAINEWEBBER. But she predicts a stable, if not particularly strong, economy. "We will inch by with almost flat real GNP growth and then proceed forward," says Farrell. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/10)

"People are reading the economy too optimistically at this point if you read any optimism into those employment numbers," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." He is worried "that we are getting ourselves into a very difficult situation" with too much outstanding consumer debt "because income to support that credit is growing relatively slowly." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/10)

The FEDERAL RESERVE released a report yesterday showing that consumer credit had risen 7.4%. "There are two explanations" for the sharp

increase, says SUNG WON SOHN, chief economist for the NORWEST CORPORATION in Minneapolis. "One is that it is simply a statistical aberration" and that it will decline in coming months to $1 billion to $2 billion a month. "The other, more important possibly is that consumers are getting pinched right now. Prices were going up in general even before the oil crisis. Wages were not keeping up with prices, so consumers were relying more and more on revolving credit." (NYT, 9/11)

IN WASHINGTON:

"I would say that [budget] talks are going nowhere fast," said TREASURY SECRETARY NICHOLAS BRADY on ABC's "Good Morning America" yesterday. HOUSE SPEAKER THOMAS FOLEY (D. - Wash.) says Brady's comments were "inappropriate and wrong." (WSJ, 9/11)

5 FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. CHAIRMAN WILLIAM SEIDMAN says regulators are working on a plan to let some troubled thrift institutions stay in business even though they do not meet minimum financial safety standards in order to save the federal government the cost of taking them over. ("The Washington Post", 9/11)

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VALLEY, NEB (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Valmont Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: VALM) announced today that 1990 third quarter and total year earnings are likely to be lower than expected and somewhat lower than 1989. For the year 1989, the company earned $20.7 million or $1.78 per share. The company also announced reaffirmation by its board of directors of its stock buy-back program.

William F. Welsh II, company president and CEO, indicated that continued overall slowing of business activity in the U.S. markets, coupled with cessation of sales to Iraq, has resulted in a lowering of the company's earnings expectations. While overall sales activity will be up over the comparable periods of last year, sales are not projected to reach planned levels in any of the three major reporting segments. Earnings will be down compared to last year in the irrigation and industrial products segments.

The company continues to feel positive about its long-term prospects in all three segments, both through internal growth and expansion by acquisition. "In the short-term, we continue to strive for increased efficiencies in our cost structure while not foreclosing any long-term opportunities" Welsh said. "Long-term we are confident that we can generate returns that meet or exceed our financial objectives of 15 percent trendline earnings growth and an average 20 percent return on beginning equity."

Valmont also announced that its board of directors has reaffirmed the stock buy-back authorization of 1987 in light of the recent market downturn. The company is authorized to purchase an additional 350,000 shares of its outstanding common stock in the open market from time to time. The shares will be added to treasury stock and used for stock options, incentive plans, and other corporate purposes.

Valmont Industries manufactures components for the electrical construction industry; is a leading producer of mechanized irrigation systems for worldwide agricultural markets; and owns 80 percent of ValCom Inc., a major distributor of microcomputer products and services.

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PALO ALTO, CA (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Many investors with professionally managed futures accounts had gains from 20 percent to over 50 percent in July and August when the markets were buffeted by the crisis in the Persian Gulf. Profits were propelled by crude oil running from $17 a barrel to almost $30 a barrel, the U.S. dollar dropping relative to most foreign currencies, and long term bonds tumbling in response to rising interest rates and fears of inflation.

While the U.S. dollar and equities markets sank, futures profits soared, displaying the negative correlation between managed futures and the equities markets. Preliminary estimates indicate public futures funds are up 12-14 percent on average for the summer months. Managed futures accounts and funds employ professional managers to make buy and sell decisions, thereby avoiding many of the pitfalls suffered by individual investors.

One fund, Preferred Multi-Advisor Futures Fund II was up 28 percent in July and August. Jonathan Krass, Shearson senior vice president in Palo Alto, who assisted in selecting the fund's six trading advisors, states, "This fund was diversified into energy products and foreign currencies which gave investors profits to offset declines in the securities markets and the purchasing power of the U.S. dollar."

This summer many professional trading advisors made substantial gains for investors. Up over 45 percent in July and August were programs managed by: Colorado Commodities, Hawksbill Capital, John W. Henry, and Visioneering. Firms with programs that gained in excess of 25 percent were: Computerized Commodity Advisory, EMC Capital; Nocra, Pragma; Sjo; Soderquist, Walsh, O'Brien; Spackenkill; TrendLogic Associates; Trendview Management; and Welton Investment Systems.

As the crisis in the gulf vacillates between a negotiated settlement and war, there will be responsive fluctuations in energy prices, currency values, interest rates, and the securities markets. Investors will be affected by all of these. While this may have a negative impact on traditional investments, Ken Tropin, president of John W. Henry & Co., points out that "professionally managed futures investments can benefit from rising or falling markets and, as a result, have performed quite well during these difficult times."

The Managed Futures Trade Association is a non-profit organization formed to disseminate information about the managed futures industry. Further information about the firms mentioned above can be obtained by calling 415-325-4533.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - T2 Medical Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: TSQM) announced today that it has acquired three T2 managed home infusion therapy centers, Atlantic Coast Home Therapeutics Inc. of Virginia Beach, Va., Colonial Home Therapeutics Inc. of Philadelphia, and Georgia Home Therapeutics III Inc. of Atlanta.

The total value of the consideration paid for the three centers was approximately $8,727,800, which was paid through the issuance of 319,516 shares of T2 common stock and an aggregate of $533,000 in cash. These acquisitions will be accounted for using the pooling of interest method of accounting.

With these recent acquisitions, T2 Medical Inc. currently owns/operates 42 home infusion therapy centers and manages 50 physician-owned home infusion therapy centers and sub-centers located in 46 cities and 25 states and the District of Columbia.

T2 Medical Inc. is a leading provider of home infusion therapy centers in the United States. Infusion therapy is the administration to a patient of nutrients, antibiotics and other drugs and fluids, either intravenously or through a feeding tube.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Gemini Partners L.P. announced today that the Delaware Chancery Court has granted its motion for a temporary restraining order requiring Healthco International Inc. (NASDAQ: HLCO) to give Gemini three business days advance notice before undertaking any action not in the ordinary course of business. For the purposes of the temporary restraining order, the Chancery Court preliminarily concluded Gemini had advanced a sufficient claim on the merits that its nominees are the proper members of the Healthco board to warrant the request relief. The Chancery Court also set a Sept. 19 trial date on Gemini's claim that its nominees have been elected to Healthco's board of directors by written consent of the stockholders.

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#90254p3193 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Agency Rent-A-Car, Inc. (NASDAQ: AGNC) the nation's leading automobile insurance replacement company, today reported an increase in earnings per share for the six months ended July 31, 1990, to $.33 per share from $.28 per share for the same period last year, on rental revenues of $138.5 million (earnings per share reflect adjustments for the 5 percent stock dividend paid in June 1990). Record revenues of $72.0 million for the second quarter reflect an increase of 5.6 percent over the same period last year. Net income increased $535,000 to $5.3 million or $.20 per share from $4.7 million or $.18 per share last year.

Sam J. Frankino, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, commented: "The improvement reported in operating margins reflects the efforts to control and reduce costs by all employees. These improvements, along with lower debt levels, should continue to increase margins in quarters to come." Operating margins for the quarter of 10.9 percent reflect an increase from 7.4 percent last quarter and 10.4 percent for the same period last year. Outstanding automobile obligations of $138.9 million at July 31, 1990 are 14 percent lower than last year. Despite increasing competitive pressures, the company has been successful in increasing rates, while maintaining consistent utilization levels and reducing costs.

The company also announced that it has entered into a settlement agreement with Econo-Car International, Inc., which resolves all disputes resulting from the company's acquisition of Econo-Car International in 1980. Federal and state court litigation arising from these disputes will be dismissed with prejudice. Frankino stated that although the agreement precluded him from disclosing the particular terms and conditions of the settlement, he believed that the resolution represented a complete

vindication of the company and all individually named defendants.

For the fiscal year ending Jan. 31, 1991, the company is projecting record revenues approaching $300 million and a rental fleet of 45,000 units.

AGENCY RENT-A-CAR, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Thousands of Dollars, Except per Share Amounts)
(Unaudited)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED JULY 31,	
	1990	1989 REVENUE
Automobile rentals	$72,012	$68,222
COSTS AND EXPENSES		
Direct operating	9,564	9,968
Depreciation and amortization	25,095	23,263
Salaries and employee benefits	15,689	14,773
General and administrative	9,170	8,450
Advertising and promotion	1,976	1,257
Interest	2,669	3,424
Total	64,163	61,135
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	7,849	7,087
Other (expenses) income	30	(163)
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	7,879	6,924
Provision for income taxes	2,600	2,180
NET INCOME	5,279	4,744
EARNINGS PER SHARE	$.20	$.18
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF SHARES OUTSTANDING (000s)	26,338	26,363

	SIX MONTHS ENDED JULY 31,	
	1990	1989 REVENUE
Automobile rentals	$138,498	$129,553
COSTS AND EXPENSES		
Direct operating	20,644	19,250
Depreciation and amortization	48,552	43,548
Salaries and employee benefits	30,244	28,916
General and administrative	18,151	16,765
Advertising and promotion	3,230	3,763
Interest	4,899	6,137
Total	125,720	118,379
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	12,778	11,174
Other (expenses) income	28	(133)
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	12,806	11,041
Provision for income taxes	4,226	3,621
NET INCOME	8,580	7,420
EARNINGS PER SHARE	$.33	$.28
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF SHARES		

OUTSTANDING (000s)	26,308	26,315

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LAGUNA NIGUEL, CALIF. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - OptimumCare Corp. (NASDAQ: OPMC), which operates psychiatric care and chemical dependency units nationwide, announced today that they have signed a long-term contract to operate a psychiatric care unit at Terrace Plaza Hospital in West Covina, Calif.

Edward A. Johnson, OptimumCare's president, said that Terrace Plaza and OptimumCare have formed a joint affiliation with a group of 15 admitting physicians who represent a large referral base for the program. The contract with Terrace Plaza Hospital, which serves primarily Medicare and managed care patients, provides for a flat per diem rate based on patient census. "We believe that this is an excellent market for OptimumCare to pursue, based on the large volume of patients in this category in the state," said Johnson.

Last month OptimumCare announced that they had taken over operation of a chemical dependency unit at Washington Hospital in Culver City, Calif. The Washington Hospital contract could potentially generate approximately $2 million in revenue over its three year term.

The company currently operates six programs throughout the country, including chemical dependency units, women's health centers, and general psychiatric centers. Johnson stated that the company is negotiating similar contracts with other host hospitals and expects to have them in place in the near future.

OptimumCare Corporation establishes and markets in-patient programs for the treatment of psychiatric disorders and chemical dependencies at host health care facilities.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Renault Vehicules Industriels S.A. ("RVI") announced that it will mail today to shareholders of Mack Trucks, Inc. (NASDAQ: MACK), a supplement to the offer to purchase of ITM Acquisition Corp. ("ITM"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of RVI, to

acquire all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Mack not beneficially owned directly or indirectly by RVI. The supplement will reflect, among other things, the terms and conditions of the merger agreement entered into last week by Mack, RVI and ITM, including an increase in the offer price to $6.25 per share, net to the seller in cash. The offer is subject to certain conditions, including that there be validly tendered prior to the expiration of the offer and not withdrawn a number of shares which, together with shares owned by RVI, will constitute at least 90 percent of the outstanding shares of Mack on a fully diluted basis (excluding shares issuable upon exercise by RVI of its warrant) (the "minimum condition"). Jean Pierre Capron, chairman and chief executive officer of RVI, said: "We feel that, having received the recommendation of the special committee with respect to the offer, we have taken a very important step toward completing the offer and we encourage shareholders to physically tender their shares into the offer in order that the minimum condition be met."

RVI also announced today that the offer and related withdrawal rights had been extended until 9:00 p.m., New York City time, on Tuesday, Sept. 25, 1990. The offer had previously been scheduled to expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on Sept. 20, 1990.

As of 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on Sept. 10, 1990, an aggregate of 2,199,341 shares of Mack had been tendered pursuant to the offer by either physical or guaranteed delivery. The tendered shares, together with the Mack shares owned directly or indirectly by RVI, represent approximately 51.9 percent of the total outstanding common stock of Mack.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - TECO Energy, Inc. (NYSE: TE) said today the company is making rapid gains in its efforts to expand its energy-related businesses, including coal, transportation and the production of natural gas from coal seams.

TECO Energy, based in Tampa, is parent company to Tampa Electric, the public utility serving 450,000 customers in Central Florida. A quarter of the company's total income is now derived from its diversified businesses.

The company's transfer facility at the mouth of the Mississippi River is the largest on the Gulf Coast, he said, and will handle record coal volumes this year as U.S. coal exports expand. Guzzle also noted that the company's substantial ocean-going fleet makes TECO Energy the largest U.S.

flag dry bulk carrier.

Total recoverable reserve attributable to the company's TECO Coalbed Methane subsidiary are estimated to be 150 billion cubic feet. All gas produced is committed for sale under a long-term contract.

Guzzel said the company has committed $90 million for coalbed methane development and expects to commit as much as $25 million more by year's end.

Guzzle also said the company's electric utility is performing well. Tampa Electric continues to enjoy the benefits of a stable economy in its service area and a customer growth rate of two percent. In addition, the company has an aggressive cost-containment program, and current operation and maintenance costs per kilowatt hour are equal to what they were seven years ago.

He said a tight power generation situation in Florida is creating opportunities for sales to other utilities. "And the recent run-up in oil prices makes our coal-fired capacity very competitive and should give us improved margins."

Joint Ventures in Coalbed Methane

Project One		Project Two	
Working Interest:		Working Interest:	
TECO Coalbed Methane	64 pct.	TECO Coalbed Methane	44 pct.
Taurus Exploration	16 pct.	Taurus Exploration	12 pct.
Gulf States Paper Co.	20 pct.	Chevron USA	44 pct.
15,000 acres		25,000 acres	
165 to 175 wells		300 wells	

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#90254p3210 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Enron Corp. (NYSE: ENE) today announced that agreements have been signed for power sales, joint venture operations and gas supply for Enron's Teesside, United Kingdom power project, which is one of the world's largest gas-fired, combined cycle gas-turbine heat and power (CHP) projects. An affiliate of Enron will design, construct and operate the 1725 megawatt(Mw) independent power facility to be located at ICI Chemicals & Polymers Limited's Wilton Works plant near Redcar, on Teesside in Northeast England. The project, which is dependent on several important pending governmental permission and consent agreements, will add approximately 3 percent to England and Wales' power generating capacity and will supply a substantial portion of ICI's steam needs at Wilton.

Power sales agreements have been executed for all 1725 Mw of firm capacity. Four regional electricity companies and ICI are the primary purchasers. The regional electricity companies and their respective power commitments are:

Midlands Electricity	500 Mw	Northern Electric	400 Mw
South Wales Electricity	200 Mw	South Western Electricity	200 Mw

ICI has committed to 257 Mw as well as receiving the steam production from the power facility. A marketing company jointly owned by Enron and ICI has committed to the remaining 168 Mw for additional sales to the United Kingdom electricity market.

The power sales agreements have an initial term of 15 years beginning April 1, 1993 with options to extend. The power price provisions of these agreements include fixed escalating components to cover the project's non-fuel costs and effectively pass through the project's primary fuel costs.

A long-term gas supply contract has been signed with the Amoco/Gas Council Group whose members are affiliates of Amoco Corporation, Amerada Hess Corp. and British Gas Plc. The contract provides for approximately 300 million cubic feet of natural gas per day to be delivered from the North Sea to Teesside for a period of 15-1/2 years beginning April 1, 1993. Price terms on the gas and power contracts were not disclosed.

Enron Corp., America's leading natural gas company with approximately $10 billion in revenues and $9 billion in assets, operates the largest natural gas transmission system in the United States, markets natural gas liquids, crude oil and refined products worldwide, owns 84 percent of Enron Oil & Gas Company, one of the U.S.' largest independent (non-integrated) natural gas production companies, and also is one of the largest independent producers of electricity in the U.S. with extensive experience in combined heat and power installations.

CONTACT: Diane Bazelides, 713-853-6285 or E.P. Segner, 713-853-5299, both of Enron

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#90254p3212 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Equifax Inc. (NYSE: EFX) and Telecredit Inc. (NASDAQ: TCRD) jointly announced today that each company has called a special meeting of its shareholders to be held on Nov. 7.

Only holders of record of Equifax common stock and Telecredit common stock at the close of business on Sept. 21 will be entitled to notice of and to vote at the respective special meetings.

At the special meetings, the shareholders of Equifax and Telecredit will consider and vote upon a previously announced merger agreement under which Telecredit will be acquired by Equifax.

Equifax is the leading provider of information services and systems for consumer financial transactions throughout the United States and Canada.

Telecredit provides check authorization, credit card processing and other payment services to retail merchants, financial institutions and others in the United States and Canada.

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#90254p3214 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, Calif. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Carl Karcher Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ: CARL) today reported increases in net income and revenues for the second quarter of fiscal year 1991.

For the 12 weeks ended Aug. 13, 1990, net income advanced 8 percent to $5.1 million, or $.28 per fully diluted share, from $4.7 million, equal to $.25 per fully diluted share, in fiscal 1990. Revenues advanced to $125.0 million from $122.9 million in the same period last year.

Net income for the first half of 1991 was $10.3 million, or $.57 per fully diluted share, compared with $10.4 million, or $.55 per fully diluted share. Revenues for the period rose to $282.1 million from $271.7 million for the first half of fiscal 1990.

"Results for the quarter are encouraging, considering the heavy competitive discounting in the quick-service restaurant sector," said Donald F. Karcher, president and chief operating officer.

Karcher added that revenues increased over last year despite the fact that the company sold or franchised its 40 company-owned restaurants in Arizona during the first and second quarters of 1991 as part of an overall plan to focus more closely on its core California market.

Operating earnings - pretax income before other revenues, interest expense and investment and other income - advanced 18 percent over the prior year's quarter, reflecting results of the company's heightened cost-cutting program. During the quarter administrative espenses other than advertising declined 9.1 percent from the same period is fiscal 1990.

Carl Karcher Enterprises Inc. operates Carl's Jr. restaurants, a regional

quick-service chain known for its varied menu and healthful, premium quality products. Founded in 1941, the company, its franchisees and licensees operate 554 restaurants in California, Nevada, Oregon, Arizona, and Japan.

CARL KARCHER ENTERPRISES INC.
Statement of operations
(In thousands except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Twelve Weeks Ended			
	August 13, 1990		August 14, 1989	
	$	percent	$	percent Revenues
Restaurant sales	$111,988	89.6 per.	$111,204	90.5 per.
Food service sales	11,767	9.4	10,111	8.2 Franchise
revenues	1,265	1.0	1,170	1.0
Other	28	0.0	367	.3
Total	125,048	100.0	122,852	100.0
Cost and expenses:				
Cost of sales:				
Restaurants	92,850	74.2	93,564	76.2
Food service	11,031	8.8	9,495	7.7 General and
administrative	11,411	9.1	11,205	9.1
Interest expense	3,833	3.1	4,472	3.6
Total	119,125	95.2	118,736	96.6
Investment and other income	1,683	1.3	2,851	2.3
Income before income taxes	7,606	6.1	6,967	5.7
Income tax expense	2,548	2.1	2,272	1.9
Net income	$5,058	4.0 perc.	4,695	3.8 perc.
Earnings per share:				
Primary	$.28		$.25	
Fully diluted	$.28		$.25	
Weighted average shares:				
Primary	18,242		18,924	
Fully diluted	18,242		18,924	

	Twenty-Eight Weeks Ended			
	August 13, 1990		August 14, 1989	
	$	percent	$	percent Revenues:
Restaurant sales	$254,983	90.4 per.	$248,331	91.4 percent
Food service sales	24,058	8.5	20,917	7.7 Franchise
revenues	2,433	.9	2,027	.7
Other	647	.2	465	.2
Total	282,121	100.0	271,740	100.0

Cost and expenses:				
Cost of sales:				
Restaurants	214,718	76.1	209,825	77.2
Food service	22,508	8.0	19,268	7.1
General and administrative	23,424	8.3	22,554	8.3
Interest expense	9,584	3.4	9,780	3.6
Total	270,234	95.8	261,427	96.2
Investment and other income	3,793	1.4	5,303	1.9
Income before income taxes	15,680	5.6	15,616	5.7
Income tax expense	5,334	1.9	5,210	1.9
Net income	$10,346	3.7 percent	$10,406	3.8 percent
Earnings per share:				
Primary	$.57		$.55	
Fully diluted	$.57		$.55	
Weighted average shares:				
Primary	18,259		18,821	
Fully diluted	18,259		18,841	

CONTACT: Loren Pannier, CFO, Carl Karcher Enterprises Inc. 714-778-7109.

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#90254p3218 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - In another major step to improve its small business customer focus, AT&T announced it has united its sales and customer service management. Richard S. Cremona was named to head the unified operations for the state of Ohio.

"Our customers told us they wanted a single organization to meet all their communications equipment needs, and that's exactly what we have now," said Cremona, general manager of AT&T's small business equipment division based in Cleveland. "This is but one more example of our continued commitment to our small-business customers. Our new structure will enable us to be more responsive to them."

Toledo-area customers will continue to be served by the same AT&T sales and customer service (installation and maintenance) specialists. The specialists in Ohio will be managed by a single general manager.

"Our customers can still pick up the phone and dial 1-800-247-7000 to get help with any of their needs," Cremona said. "What has changed is that by bringing all aspects of the small business market under a single manager I

will be able to look across our entire sales and service operation to see how we can make it even easier for our customers to do business with us."

AT&T's small business equipment division provides business telephone systems, voice messaging and facsimiles to business customers with two to 80 lines. It also has the only multi-line, cordless business telephone available in the industry.

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#90254p3219 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PURCHASE, N.Y. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM Corporation (NYSE: IBM) and Hogan Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HOGN), today announced that IBM has received a 5 percent equity interest in Hogan Systems, a leading developer and provider of integrated banking applications (IBA) software and services based in Dallas.

Additional details of the equity agreement were not disclosed. The two companies also announced that IBM has extended its existing agreement with Hogan Systems to exclusively market Hogan Systems' IBA products in the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico. These products meet the requirements of large banks and thrifts for their core accounting applications. In addition, the agreement provides for joint product development by IBM and Hogan Systems.

"Our agreement with Hogan Systems is a further indication of IBM's commitment to be a market-driven quality company by providing customers with complete solutions," said William W.K. Rich, IBM vice president and president, services sector division. "This new agreement extends our commitment to integrated banking applications and Hogan Systems, and reinforces IBA's role as a cornerstone of our large banking application strategy."

"We are pleased that IBM is continuing and strengthening its relationship with us," said Patric J. Jerge, president and chief executive officer of Hogan Systems. "In working with IBM, both companies will develop and deliver the best possible solutions for our banking customers."

Hogan Systems, Inc., designs, markets and supports integrated online application software products for use by financial institutions worldwide. The company maintains major sales and support offices in Woking, England; Melbourne, Australia; New York and Dallas. Company stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "HOGN" and is listed in alphabetical quotations as "Hogan" or "HoganSys."

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#90254p3220 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

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Dayton-area customers will continue to be served by the same AT&T sales and customer service (installation and maintenance) specialists. The specialists in Ohio will be managed by a single general manager.

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#90254p3221 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDSBORO, NC (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Goldtex, Inc. (NASDAQ: GLTX) today released its earnings for both the quarter and year ending July 29, 1990. For the quarter, the Company reported a loss from continuing operations of $177,909 or $.08 per share on sales of $5,940,476, compared to a net profit of $95,722 or $.04 per share on sales of $4,634,521 in the same period in 1989. For the quarter, the Company had a gain from discontinued operations of $49,014 or $.02 per share, compared to a loss of $618,488 or $.27 per share in the same period in 1989.

For the year ended July 29, 1990, the Company reported a loss from continuing operations of $481,211 or $.21 per share on sales of $21,699,207, compared to a net income of $882,519 or $.38 per share on

sales of $22,587,899 for fiscal 1989. For fiscal 1990, the Company had a gain from discontinued operations of $49,014 or $.02 per share, compared to a loss of $618,488 or $.26 per share for fiscal 1989.

Will Hopper, President, stated "While the Company is disappointed with the loss in both the fourth quarter and for the total year, extraordinary circumstances during the fiscal year significantly contributed to the loss. The consolidation of the Company's manufacturing operations from Kinston to Goldsboro, which were completed in May 1989, contributed to substantial training and startup costs in the first half of fiscal 1990. The Company believes these problems are now resolved. Additionally, an unsuccessful attempt by the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union to organize the Company's production employees contributed substantial expense and disruption to the second half of the fiscal year. The Company's operations have improved significantly during the first quarter of fiscal 1991, and the Company is optimistic about its results for the period."

Goldtex, Inc., headquartered in Goldsboro, North Carolina, is engaged in the printing, dyeing and finishing of fabrics for others on a commission basis.

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#90254p3226 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

TREVOSE, PENN. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Auto Depot Inc. announced that the Securities and Exchange Commission declared effective its registration statement relating to the offer and sale of 1,806,000 units today. Each unit, priced at $5, will entitle the holder to three shares of the company's Class A common stock, and three redeemable Class A warrants. The Class A warrants are immediately exercisable and transferable separately from the Class A common stock. Each Class A warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase one share of Class A common stock and one redeemable Class B warrant, at an exercise price of $1.875. Each Class B warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of Class A common stock at an exercise price of $3. The NASDAQ symbols for each of the securities are: units, AUTDU; Class A common, AUTDA; Class A warrants, AUTDW. The close of the offering is anticipated to occur on or about Sept. 17, 1990. The Ccmpany will initially receive net proceeds of approximately $7,521,100 from this offering. The company intends to use the proceeds to fund Auto Depot's first six months of operations and the opening of its first three warehouse stores.

Auto Depot will offer a wide selection of quality, brand-name automotive products at discount prices to retail and commercial customers. Auto Depot warehouse stores will average approximately 44,000 square feet, and

will carry an inventory of approximately 15,000 stock keeping units (items), including automotive accessories, batteries, maintenance and repair parts, sound systems, tires, and custom wheels. Each Auto Depot warehouse store will also contain a fully equipped automotive service center staffed with certified technicians.

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#90254p3230 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The M.A. Hanna Company (NYSE/MSE: MAH) today announced that it plans to sell its Day International Printing and Textile Products business. The company also said that its board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to 2.8 million shares of Hanna common stock, representing up to about 10 percent of the outstanding shares.

The company has retained the investment banking firm of Salomon Brothers Inc. of New York to assist in the divestiture of its Day International Printing and Textile unit, which is the world's leading manufacturer of polymer printing blankets and other polymer products used in the offset printing industry. The unit also manufactures polymer-based consumable parts used in textile mills in the production of yarns and fabrics.

Day International Printing and Textile, with annual sales of about $100 million, is headquartered in Dayton, Ohio, and has manufacturing facilities in Asheville, N.C., Three Rivers, Mich.; Dundee, Scotland; Lerma, Mexico and Sao Paulo, Brazil.

"Day International Printing and Textile is a very strong business, but it is outside Hanna's long-term strategy to become a more focused specialty chemicals company," said Hanna Chairman Martin D. Walker. "We believe that Day International will benefit in the long term as part of a company where it is a strategic business."

Walker noted that Day International possesses strong technology and holds a leading world market position. "These strengths, combined with the business's seasoned management team and state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities, result in a major opportunity for prospective domestic and international buyers," Walker said.

Commenting on the stock repurchase authorization, Walker said, "We believe that Hanna common stock at its current price level is greatly undervalued and represents one of the best investments we can make for our shareholders. Given Hanna's strong cash flow and balance sheet, any buyback will in no way impact our ability to fund our growth plans."

Stock purchases may be made in open market transactions or in privately negotiated transactions. Purchased shares will be held as treasury shares and will be available for reissuance in connection with employee benefit plans and other corporate purposes. There are approximately 27.9 million shares of common stock outstanding. On Sept. 10, 1990, the stock closed at $17-5/8 per share.

M.A. Hanna Company is a leading international formulated polymers company with interests in natural resources.

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#90254p3233 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROSLYN HEIGHTS, NY (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Harvey Group Inc. (AMEX: HRA) today reported comparative operating results for the three and six months ended July 28, 1990. Revenues and net income for the second quarter were $10,061,000 and $19,000 ($.01 per share), respectively, compared to $9,382,000 and $415,000 ($.17 per share) for the same quarter in 1989. For the six months ended July 28, 1990, revenues were $20,319,000 and net loss was $153,000 ($.07 loss per share) compared with $18,524,000 and net income of $726,000 ($.30 per share) in the first half of last year. A gain of $599,000 relating to the settlement of certain pension obligations is included in net income for the six and three months ended July 29, 1989.

Consolidated revenues increased 10 percent and 7 percent, respectively, for the twenty-six and thirteen weeks ended July 28, 1990. This was attributable to increase sales in the company's consumer electronics division as a result of two new stores being in operation for the full six months ended July 28, 1990, as compared to only three months for the same period last year, and a new outlet store being opened in February 1990. Additionally, commissions increased in the company's food division due to the addition of new principals as well as new product introductions from existing principals.

The Harvey Group Inc. is engaged in the food brokerage business and the retail sale and service of consumer electronic equipment.

THE HARVEY GROUP INC.
(Consolidated, unaudited)

Periods ended:	Twenty-six weeks		Thirteen weeks	
	7/28/90	7/29/89	7/28/90	7/29/89
Revenues	$20,319,000	$18,524,000	$10,061,000	$ 9,382,000
(Loss) income bef. income taxes	(153,000)	1,052,000(A)	19,000	608,000(A)

Income taxes	--	326,000	--	193,000
Net (loss) income	(153,000)	726,000	19,000	415,000
Net (loss) income per common & common equiv. share:				
Net (loss) inc.	(.07)	.30	.01	.17 (A) --

Includes a gain of $599,000 relating to the settlement of certain pension obligations.

CONTACT: Dennis Wilson, executive vice president & chief financial officer of The Harvey Group, 516-621-3366/

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#90254p3235 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Avondale Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: AVDL) today announced that it has been awarded a contract to construct three river towboats.

The vessels incorporate a number of new engineering improvements designed to provide increased power and maneuverability, greater versatility of use and reduced maintenance costs. The towboats are being purchased by Viking Maritec, a privately owned maritime engineering company headquartered in Pennsylvania, and the developers of the "Viking 2000" series vessels. The vessels will be operated by B&H Towing Inc., of Paducah, Ky., Stokes Towing Company Inc. of Greenville, Miss. and Western Kentucky Navigation Inc. of Paducah, Ky., under contract to National Marine Inc. of New Orleans.

Initial construction of the vessels will start immediately by Avondale's Boat Division at its Westwego, La. facility. Delivery of the first towboat is scheduled for last quarter 1991 with subsequent deliveries planned at two-month intervals. Work on the contract will provide employment for approximately 150 people through 1991.

Albert L. Bossier Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Avondale, commented on the significance of the contract to Avondale. He remarked: "Obtaining this work is in line with our strategy to expand our resources and expertise in marine fabrication into additional commercial applications. We believe vessels such as these towboats designed for inland river operations offer particular potential for Avondale since there has been a considerable aging in the industry's fleet over the past several years. These boats in fact are the first U.S.-built vessels constructed since 1982 within the specified horsepower range."

Bossier said that the towboats, to be known as the "Viking 2000" series,

would be 168 feet long with a beam of 45 feet. The twin-screw boats will be powered by 6,800 horsepower engines. He indicated that the boats have been desinged with a draft to allow operation not only on the lower Mississippi River but also on the upper Mississippi and Ohio Rivers as well.

Avondale Industries Inc., headquartered in metro New Orleans, is one of the nation's leading marine fabricators. In addition to its shipbuilding operations, the company specializes in boat construction and is a major repair contractor for commercial and Navy ships. It is also involved in the modular construction of plants and components for a variety of land-based industries.

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#90254p3236 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Airgas Inc. (NYSE: ARG) today announced the appointment of corporate officers.

Peter McCausland, chairman and chief executive officer, announced the appointments of Britton H. Murdoch to chief financial officer, vice president-finance and treasurer and John P. McNiff to vice president-corporate development.

Murdoch, a resident of Berwyn, Pa., has been with Airgas as vice president-corporate development since 1987. During his tenure in corporate development, Airgas acquired 60 companies and expanded its industrial gas distribution network from 65 locations in 12 states to 230 locations in 29 states and Canada. He was previously with The Philadelphia National Bank where he was vice president and unit manager of the Eastern Corporate Division. Murdoch graduated from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and received his MBA from New York University.

McNiff, a resident of Plymouth Meeting, Pa., has been with Airgas since 1988 in the Corporate Development Department. McNiff is a graduate of Yale University and New York University Law School. He was previously an associate with the law firm of Davis Polk & Wardwell in New York City.

Airgas Inc. is the largest independent distributor of industrial, medical and specialty gases in the United States with more than 230 locations in 29 states and Canada.

CONTACT: Britton H. Murdoch, vp-finance, treasurer and CFO, or John P. McNiff, vp-corporate development of Airgas, 215-687-5253

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CINCINNATI (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Penn Central Corporation (NYSE: PC) announced today that, based on a preliminary count, approximately 11,347,000 shares of its common stock were tendered pursuant to its offer to purchase shares at a price of $23 per share in cash which expired at midnight on Sept. 10, 1990. Approximately 3,047,000 of these shares were tendered subject to guarantees of delivery.

In accordance with the offer terms, Penn Central will accept 11 million properly tendered shares, first from the odd lot holders who tendered approximately 26,000 shares and then from all other tendering shareholders on a pro rata basis. Accordingly, based upon the preliminary count, approximately 97 percent of the shares properly tendered by such other holders will be accepted. Penn Central expects to be able to announce the final proration factor early next week.

Penn Central operates businesses primarily in the areas of industrial manufacturing, defense services, insurance and energy.

CONTACT: Robert M. Burton, manager-investor relations for Penn Central, 513-579-6618.

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#90254p3240 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARUBA, DUTCH CARIBBEAN (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Divi Hotels N.V. (AMEX: DVH) announced today that its exchange offer on its two outstanding issues of debt securities will be extended until midnight, EDT, on Oct. 10, 1990.

The exchange offer was initiated on April 27, 1990, and is being made to security holders qualified to participate in a private placement regarding Divi's $60 million of 14 1/2 percent senior debentures due 1998 and $50 million of 12 3/4 percent subordinated notes due 1996. It was originally scheduled to expire at midnight, EDT, on May 24, 1990, and was previously extended until midnight, EDT, on Sept. 10, 1990.

The terms and conditions of the exchange offer otherwise remain unchanged.

Through Sept. 10, 1990, only a nominal amount of the outstanding debt securities covered by the exchange offer had been validly tendered.

Divi anticipates continued negotiations with the committee of the holders of the two issues of debt securities to determine if more acceptable offer terms can be made available.

CONTACT: Kevin E. Roberts, chief financial officer, or William L. Reed, director of finance, 607-277-3484, both of DIVI Hotels

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DETROIT (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - A new Michigan corporation, My Lawyer, Inc., has been established to offer high-quality, inexpensive legal services to millions of working men and women who otherwise might have to pay steep fees to hire lawyers.

"This is a real breakthrough in terms of serving people from all walks of life," said My Lawyer, Inc. President Joseph C. Spieser. "Statistics show that 70 percent of the people in this country either have no idea of what their legal rights are -- or if they do know, they have no idea how to use them.

"The 10 percent in the upper income group can afford to hire lawyers. The bottom 20 percent get public assistance. That leaves a huge group in between that badly needs help."

Spieser said that My Lawyer, Inc. will target employers and employee groups in Detroit, Wayne County and elsewhere in Michigan and offer a wide range of pay-as-you-go legal services at modest rates on a payroll deduction basis. My Lawyer will publish education newsletters and conduct law seminars for members.

My Lawyer's plan covers varied problems, from consumer affairs to motor vehicle operations, wills and other complicated tasks which require a lawyer's attention. The plan is simple: A client signs on for a modest monthly fee and a provider law firm is available to answer questions, write letters, review documents and represent client and certain other family members either free of charge or at substantially reduced legal fee rates.

"It is our goal to make quality legal service available to people wherever they may need it and, even more importantly, to make them aware of how and when to take advantage of legal representation without having to worry

about dealing with stuffy law firms or intimidating lawyers," Spieser said.

A lifelong Michigan resident and successful Detroit-area businessman, Spieser has spent four years researching various legal service programs which have been offered in Michigan and elsewhere in the United States.

Where did the firm's name originate? That's easy. "What do you hear important people say when they've got a problem?" said Spieser. "I'm going to call my lawyer, right? Well, our clients can say that anytime -- and we'll be ready and eager to help."

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UPPSALA, SWEDEN (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Pharmacia AB today issued the following:

"In May 1990, Procordia AB demanded compulsory acquisition of the remaining Pharmacia AB shares and has offered, aside from the compulsory acquisition demanded, to acquire the remaining Pharmacia shares.

"Trade in Pharmacia shares on the Stockholm Stock Exchange has been very thin of late.

"In view of the above, Pharmacia has requested the Stockholm Stock Exchange to delist all Pharmacia shares as of Monday, Sept. 17, 1990. Pharmacia has also requested that its B-free shares be delisted in New York (NASDAQ) as of the same date and in Tokyo as of Sept. 18, 1990."

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MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: LMTS) announced today that it has dropped its proposed public offering of 1,200,000 shares of common stock because of adverse market conditions.

LaserMaster's chief executive officer, Mel Masters, stated, "We do not believe it is in the best interest of shareholders to sell additional shares under current market conditions." Masters said the company and its investment banker are studying other options to raise capital to fund growth, but that LaserMaster is not planning a public stock offering in

the near future.

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ST. PAUL, MINN. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Bioplasty, Inc. (NASDAQ: BIOP) of St. Paul, Minn. and the MAC Co., Ltd., of Tokyo, Japan announced an agreement today involving MAC's purchase of the Asian marketing rights for Bioplasty's current plastic surgery products and the "first right of refusal" for Uroplastique(TM) in the Asian territory. Uroplastique is Bioplasty's injectable urinary incontinence control product.

The MAC Co., Ltd., markets medical devices in Japan and other Asian countries. Bioplasty has more than a decade of experience in the development, manufacture and marketing of plastic surgery products worldwide. The two companies were introduced by D.H. Blair Company of New York.

CONTACT: Tim Lawin of Bioplasty, 612-636-4112, or Mr. Sunao Kawamura of MAC Co., Ltd., 011-81-03-433-5191

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Viking Office Products Inc. (NASDAQ: VKNG) today reported revenues and net income for the year and fourth quarter ended June 29, 1990.

Revenues for the year ended June 29, 1990, of $157.9 million were a new record and an increase of 19.8 percent over the prior year. Income before extraordinary expenses for the current year was $6.1 million, or $.91 per share, compared to $4.3 million, or $.72 per share, in the same period last year.

Extraordinary expenses, which amounted to $941 thousand (net of tax) in the current year, or $.14 per share, consisted of prepayment penalties and the write-off of deferred financing costs associated with the company's early retirement of debt.

Net income for the year ended June 29, 1990, was $5.2 million, or $.77 per share on average shares outstanding of 6,677,000, as compared to $4.3 million, or $.72 per share on average shares outstanding or 5,936,000, for the prior year.

Revenues for the fourth quarter were $40 million, an increase of 24.3 percent over the prior year. Fourth quarter net income was $1.7 million,

or $.20 per share on average shares outstanding of 8,644,000, compared to $1.2 million, or $.20 per share on average shares outstanding of 5,924,000 in the same period of 1989. Fourth quarter 1990 expenses included start-up costs of Viking's U.K subsidiary.

Irwin Helford, chairman and chief operating officer, noted that the revenue increase was primarily due to an increase in the number of customers actively purchasing from Viking, an increase in the average annual revenue per customer and an increase in catalogs mailed. He further stated that the increase in income, before extraordinary expense, was primarily due to the increase in revenues and a reduction in interest expense. A significant portion of the company's long-term debt was repaid in March 1990 with the proceeds of the company's initial public offering. The remaining long-term debt was refinanced at lower rates on an unsecured basis.

Viking Office Products sells office products to small and medium size businesses nationwide through direct marketing catalogs and programs.

VIKING OFFICE PRODUCTS
(Amounts in thousands except per share items)

	Three months ended		Year ended		
	June 29, 1990	June 30, 1989	June 29, 1990	June 30 1989	
Revenues	$39,998	$32,186	$157,936	$131,887	
Gross profit	$14,985	$13,389	$60,392	$51,514	
Operating income	$3,000	$3,116	$13,897	$12,370	Income before
extraordinary expenses	$1,692	$1,184	$6,106	$4,302	Extraordinary
expenses	---	---	941	---	
Net income	$1,692	$1,184	$5,165	$4,302	Per share
Income before extraordinary expenses	$0.20	$0.20	$0.91	$.72	Extraordinary
expenses	---	---	0.14	---	
Net income	$0.20	$0.20	$0.77	$0.72	
Weighted average shares outstanding	8,644	5,924	6,677	5,936	

CONTACT: Stephen R. Kroll, CFO, Viking Office Products Inc., 213-321-4493

-30- 3444

#90254p3252 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTON, MASS. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Stardent Computer today announced that it has appointed David C. Rowe as corporate vice president and chief financial officer. He replaces Joseph Bronson, who has accepted the

position of chief operating officer with Stardent's technology, manufacturing and distribution partner, Kubota Pacific Computer Inc. Rowe reports to Ian R. G. Edmonds, Stardent's executive vice president and chief operating officer.

Rowe brings to Stardent a wealth of financial experience, having served as a senior financial executive in both large and entrepreneurial companies. For the past several months, Rowe has acted as a consultant to Stardent during the formation of a new operating plan, the consolidation of Stardent's financial operations to its east coast headquarters, and the culmination of a new financial agreement with Kubota Corporation, Stardent's major investor.

In commenting on the appointment, Edmonds stated, "In his role as a consultant, Dave Rowe has proved to be a great addition to Stardent's management team. His comprehensive financial background, and in particular his strong reputation for cost control, will be of real importance to Stardent in meeting our financial performance plans. We are extremely pleased that he has decided to join the company as a permanent member of senior management."

Rowe's background includes the position of chief operating officer of Wellfleet Communications, Inc., where he was a co-founder and remains a member of the board of directors. Previously, he was a founder and served as executive vice president and chief financial officer and a member of the board of directors of Interlan, Inc. Rowe has also held senior financial positions at large, publicly held, international companies, including controller positions at both W.R. Grace & Co. and Charles River Breeding Labs. Earlier he was a senior auditor at Arthur Young and Co.

Rowe holds an MBA degree from the Harvard Graduate School of Business and Adminstration, and a B.A. degree from Dartmouth College.

Stardent Computer Inc., is the leading developer, manufacturer and marketer of visualization systems. These include graphics supercomputers departmental supercomputers, and visualization software. The company markets the leading interactive 3D visualization environment, AVS(tm), which runs on Stardent systems and has been licensed to run on many other hardware platforms.

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TETERBORO, N.J. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - MetPath Inc., a Corning Clinical Laboratory, has agreed to acquire the assets and business of Community

Clinical Laboratories, a clinical laboratory based in Bay Shore, N.Y.
The purchase price was undisclosed.

CCL is a community oriented laboratory with an excellent reputation for providing a high level of service to the New York health care community for more than 20 years. The laboratory provides a full line of clinical laboratory services to physicians, hospitals and industrial clients located in Long Island, Westchester and New York City. The company currently employs more than 160 people at its main facility in Bay Shore and at a number of facilities on Long Island and Westchester.

With regard to the acquisition, David Deutsch and Stuart Schneider, owners of CCL, said, "We strongly believe in this newly created opportunity for all of us at CCL and MetPath. We feel that with CCL's reputation for strong local service and MetPath's outstanding commitment to scientific excellence and total quality, that together, CCL and MetPath can ensure our clients receive the highest quality service on Long Island."

Officials of MetPath said that CCL provides services which are similar to MetPath's and will complement MetPath's role as a leader in the field of clinical laboratory services and as a significant provider in the New York metropolitan area. MetPath's overall organization is divided into four major regions in the United States, and CCL will now be a major part of the Eastern region. MetPath currently employs more than 5,000 people nationwide, 1,800 of which work in the metropolitan area in 15 locations.

MetPath President and CEO Andrew Baker said, "The acquisition of Community Clinical Laboratories is a key opportunity for the continuing development and growth of our Eastern region. We are joining efforts with a healthy and vital organization that has an outstanding group of employees who have built an excellent reputation with a proven track record of success. It also represents another significant step in MetPath's continuing commitment to an overall business strategy of maintaining a strong local presence in each area we service throughout the country."

CONTACT: Jim Lawrence of MetPath, 201-393-5564

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#90254p3259 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW BRITAIN, CONN. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to a recent decline in the price of Burritt InterFinancial Bancorporation (NASDAQ: BANQ) stock on high volume, the bank today issued the following statement:

Burritt has recently experienced deterioration in two major loan relationships. These loans are being reclassified as non-performing. The bank expects to report non-performing loans amounting to between five and six percent of assets of the end of the quarter.

Usually loans are moved to the non-performing list when they are ninety days past due, but in this case action is being taken earlier. Although the loans have a history of prompt payment, future payments are in doubt.

"Many of our non-performing loans are first mortgages which are not yet delinquent," stated John C. Jaynes, president and chief executive officer. "But, in view of declining marketability of real estate throughout the region, prompt recognition and early action on any weakness is important. We are moving on several fronts to improve the situation."

Officials are as yet unable to assess the impact of recent events on earnings, but said they expected a significant decline in the third and fourth quarters. Meanwhile, Burritt's capital position is strong and its financial position is secure. The current shift of loans to non-earning status and a need to contribute to loan loss reserves were stated as reasons for the expected earnings decline.

CONTACT: Barbara J. Bennett, senior vice president and chief financial officer of Burritt, 203-225-7601, before and after hours, 203-225-7606

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#90254p3260 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANGHORNE, PA (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Cabot Medical Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: CBOT) today announced record sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended July 28, 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter increased 32 percent to $7,577,000, compared to $5,748,000 in the prior year. Net earnings for the period were $357,000 or $.05 per share, a 3 percent increase over the prior year's $346,000 or $.05 per share.

For the nine month period, net sales increased 24 percent to $19,452,000, compared to $15,712,000 for the prior year. Net earnings were $1,095,000 or $.15 per share, an increase of 13 percent compared to the prior year's $972,000 or $.14 per share.

Commenting on the third quarter and year-to-date results, Warren Wood, president of Cabot Medical, stated, "We are quite pleased with the earnings increase in light of our decision to expand our marketing and sales activities to capture a significant share of the rapidly growing general surgery market. The resultant expenditures have depressed our short term earnings growth, however, based on the escalating demand and increased sales of Cabot Medical products, we expect accelerated earnings growth in the future."

Cabot Medical Corp. designs, develops, manufactures and markets medical

devices and systems for use in specialized surgical and diagnostic procedures. These products are sold under the Cabot, KLI, Berkeley, Cryomedics and Ultroid brand names.

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AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Wolters Kluwer today issued the following statement:

Wolters Kluwer has reached agreement on the management buy-out of its United Kingdom operating company Eclipse Publications. Eclipse Publications specializes in conferences and journals in the field of industrial relations. Annual sales amount to approximately four million pounds sterling. In recent years, Eclipse activities were moving away from Wolters Kluwer core businesses.

Wolters Kluwer has acquired the publishing list from the German publisher Bardtenschlager (Munich). It involves textbooks for vocational training, especially in the social sciences.

CONTACT: Wolters Kluwer public relations, 0-20-564-5434, or Debra Wasser or Fern Lazar, both of Dewe Rogerson Inc., 212-688-6840 for Wolters Kluwer

-30- 992

#90254p3265 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Edisto Resources Corporation (AMEX: EDS) announced today that Hall-Houston Offshore, a joint venture between Edisto and Hall-Houston Oil Company, received a $20 million prepayment for gas production from several Texas and Louisiana offshore blocks. An additional amount of $4.1 million will be paid over the term of a five-year contract. The purchaser also contracted to buy any excess production over dedicated volumes from designated properties at variable indexed prices. Additional terms of the contract were not disclosed.

Edisto also announced that its previously announced agreement to purchase 13 1/4 percent convertible secured subordinated notes issued by Hall-Houston Offshore closed on Friday, August 31. Edisto purchased the Notes from certain Prudential-Bache Energy Growth Fund Partnerships for approximately $17.2 million in cash. The purchase price included accrued interest attributable to the notes. Simultaneously with the closing, a subsidiary of Hall-Houston Oil Company purchased one-half of the notes from Edisto at Edisto's cost.

Edisto Resources Corporation's consolidated activities include the

production of oil and gas, the exploration for and the development of oil and gas reserves and the transportation and marketing of natural gas.

CONTACT: Rhonda L. Wright, manager-investor relations of Edisto Resources 214-880-9330

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#90254p3266 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, ILL. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola, Inc. (NYSE: MOT), announced today that it has signed an agreement in principle with Siemens A.G. to license each other's essential patents for the Pan-European Digital Cellular Mobile Communications System, as defined in the GSM (Groupe Speciale Mobile) Standard, and for the PCN (Personal Communications Network) (see note).

Both companies are leading providers to worldwide markets of communications equipment.

This agreement with Siemens follows a GSM/PCN crosslicensing patent agreement that Motorola concluded two months ago with Alcatel, another major European telecommunications company.

"This agreement, as well as our recent one with Alcatel, certainly bears out that the appropriate forum for resolving IPR (Intellectural Property Rights) issues for GSM, or any other technology, is among manufacturers through fair bilateral negotiations," said Bernard R. Smedley, senior vice president of Motorola, Inc. and general manager of the Radio-Telephone Systems Group.

Motorola has been awarded several digital cellular systems contracts in Europe, among which are GSM validation systems for Scandinavia, Spain, the United Kingdom and West Germany; GSM pre-operational systems in Spain and the U.K.; and operational systems in Sweden and the U.K. Motorola is also a minority equity owner of the Cable & Wireless-led consortium's Mercury Personal Communications Ltd., which holds a UK PCN license. This system, based on Motorola's technology, will be operational in that country by 1992.

Motorola's digital cellular technology leadership has had other significant recognitions in Japan and the USA, where each country has selected the company's speech coder as the official digital standard.

Motorola is the world's leading designer, manufacturer and supplier of cellular systems, infrastructure equipment and subscriber products. It is also a leading provider of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets, including two-way radios, pagers, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and

industrial electronic equipment, computers, data communications, and information processing and handling equipment.

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information processing and handling equipment.

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#90254p3268 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

STRATFORD, CT (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Science Accessories Corporation (NASDAQ: SEAS), a major manufacturer of sonic digitizers, today reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1990.

The company sustained a loss from operations for the third quarter of $413,554 vs. a loss of $254,880 for the same period last year. The fiscal 1989 period benefited from a non-recurring successful litigation settlement of $925,001 resulting in net income of $420,876, or 10 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $221,934, or 5 cents per share, for the current year's period. Net sales for the fiscal 1990 quarter was $474,172 and sales for the prior year's same three months was $766,979.

The operating loss for the nine months of the current year was $673,900 vs. $514,273 for the initial nine months of last year. Net income for the prior year's nine-month period, including the $925,001 litigation settlement, was $321,815, or 8 cents per share. The company had a net loss of $306,629, or 7 cents per share, for this year's period. Net sales for the nine months were $1,920,710 compared to $2,215,575 for the fiscal 1989 period.

"We continue to invest substantially in research and development activities and the response to our new products and the expanding application of our digitizers make us optimistic about future prospects," S.J. Sindeband, chairman and president, said.

SCIENCE ACCESSORIES CORPORATION

(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
July 31:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$474,172	$766,979	$1,920,710	$2,215,575
Operating (loss)	(413,554)	(254,880)	(673,900)	(514,273)
Litigation settlement	--	925,001	--	925,001
Income (loss) before income taxes	(378,134)	712,846	(559,129)	535,515
Income tax provision (benefit)	(156,200)	291,970	(252,500)	213,700
Net income (loss)	(221,934)	420,876	(306,629)	321,815
Earnings (loss) per common share	$(.05)	$.10	$(.07)	$.08
Weighted average number of shares				

outstanding	4,161,804	4,161,804	4,161,804	4,161,804

CONTACT: S.J. Sindeband of Science Accessories, 203-386-9978

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#90254p3269 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOCA RATON, FLA. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph A. Reilly has joined First Medical International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HUGE), as senior vice president chief financial officer and treasurer. The announcement was made by Roberto Riva, chairman and CEO of First Medical International, Inc.

A graduate of Loyola University and the University of Chicago, Reilly started his professional career as auditor with the Big Eight accounting firm, Peat Marwick and Main. In 1961 he joined Motorola serving in various cost accounting, audit, international controller and production executive positions for the billion-dollar-plus company. He became the CFO for the International Division of Chicago Bridge & Iron in 1968 before joining the American Society of Clinical Pathologists as controller and business manager from 1970-1974.

For the last 15 years, Reilly has been a financial problem solver and turnaround expert for a host of international clients. His outstanding success record has earned him an enviable reputation with both financial institutions and the courts as a no-nonsense, hands-on executive with the background, knowledge and charisma to achieve his bottom-line goals, under budget and ahead of time.

First Medical International (formerly called Humagen) recently acquired Cardio Scan, which provides state-of-the-art Holter Monitor EKG tests for physicians. The Holter Monitor is a patient-worn apparatus, which provides 24-hour special magnetic tape readings of up to 144,000 cardiac cycles vs. 50 to 100 for a standard EKG test.

The company also has the exclusive right to franchise, own and operate Medical Depot Superstores in the U.S.S.R., Mexico and Panama and a non-exclusive right to franchise, own and operate Medical Depot Superstores anywhere else outside the U.S.

CONTACT: Roberto Riva, chairman and CEO of First Medical International, Inc., 407-241-6760

-30- 2067

#90254p3270 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Campeau Corporation today announced that The Edward J. DeBartolo (EJDC) has agreed to extend to September 18, 1990 a previously signed agreement whereby EJDC will not exercise remedies

against certain collateral as a result of defaults arising under loan agreements with the corporation without first giving nine days notice to Campeau Corporation. The previously signed agreement expired Sept. 10. A similar agreement remains in effect with two subsidiaries of Olympia & York Developments Limited.

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#90254p3275 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTWOOD, MASS. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Bird Corporation (NASDAQ: BIRD) announced today that its board of directors authorized it to buy back on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, up to 350,000 of its outstanding shares of common stock over the next six month period at prices available from time to time that the company deems attractive. The authorization was granted because the board believes that a repurchase at today's approximate price levels constitutes a sound investment for the company and will further improve reported earnings per share in the future. Bird, in 1989, had repurchased about 1 million shares of its common stock via a Dutch Tender offer of $11.75 per share.

Bird common stock at yesterday's close was quoted at $10.875 per share high, $10.50 per share low.

Bird Corporation is a US-based manufacturer and distributor of building material products and a provider of environmental services.

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#90254p3276 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Southnet Corp. announced today that it has received an order from Metro Communications Limited of London for 5,000 WORLD CARDS to be delivered to Trans World Airlines.

The cards will be distributed immediately to TWA personnel and members of their frequent flyer club who travel internationally. The company estimates that they will receive $1.8 million annually from this sale.

The WORLD CARD is an internatiional long distance calling service that allows travelers to originate calls from 17 major countries to anywhere in the world. Users of WORLD CARD have pre-approved credit for their calls, no requirement for special phones and no local currency needs. WORLD CARD provides discounts of 30 - 50 percent over traditional international

calling costs.

Southnet Corp., headquartered in Tampa, Fla., is a long distance telecommunications company providing enhanced services throughout the United States. The company's stock is publicly traded on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange and the OTC market.

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#90254p3277 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Microcom, Inc. (NASDAQ: MNPI), a Norwood, Mass., internetworking company, today announced strategic enhancements to the Microcom LAN Bridge(tm) (MLB)(tm) series including the industry's first T1 compression capability and the first combination local/remote bridge function. Micrcom will demonstrate the new MLB capabilities at NetWorld '90, Sept. 11-13, at the Dallas Convention Center, Booth No. 2211 in the Arena Hall.

"These new hardware and software options offer substantial gains in performance and flexibility at little incremental cost," stated Richard Sterry, Microcom's vice president of product marketing. "Because we based our internetworking products on a modular architecture, the new features extend the value of existing equipment for all customers."

The compression feature provides a 4:1 ratio with unprecedented performance up to T1 data speeds. Explained Sterry, "The new generation T1 compression is accomplished through software and specialized hardware. Users now have the option of T1-equivalent service at a fraction of the cost."

For example, on a 386 Kbps fractional T1 link, users could realize throughputs of 1.5 Mbps. This solution is especially well-suited for users of private T1 networks or fractional T1 lines.

Additional enhancements to the MLB series include the introduction of data compression on the MLB/6500(tm) for users of X.25 networks. Announced in May 1990, the MLB/6500 now delivers the 2:1 compression previously available as a standard feature on the MLB/6000(tm) and MLB/5000(tm) bridge products. "In addition to doubling effective transmission rate, compressing data into fewer packets reduces kilopacket or kilosegment charges to the user by a factor of 2:1 as well," stated Sterry. The new compression is particularly valuable to international users who rely on public X.25 networks as a cost-effective alternative to leased line applications.

Another new capability is the combination local/remote bridge feature,

which eliminates the need for separate units in sites that require both types of bridge. For the first time, customers have the option of connecting three local LANs with one bridge or connecting two local LANs with two simultaneous remote links.

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#90254p3278 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of an ongoing strategic plan to reshape Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE), Joseph F. Paquette, Jr., PE chairman and chief executive officer, announced today a major divisional reorganization designed to bring the management of the company's operations closer to its customers.

Paquette named seven general managers to head the company's operating divisions, which during 1991 will be realigned along county boundaries. They are:

Philadelphia South, Malcolm T. Riley Jr., 53, presently manager of PE's Cromby Generating Station in Montgomery County.

Philadelphia North, Garret C. Miller, 46, manager of Philadelphia Transmission and Distribution Operations.

Delaware County, Charles C. Rogala, 43, manager of Customer Service & Accounts in the Department of Commercial Operations.

Chester County, Robert B. Horne, 56, manager of PE's Western Division. Montgomery County, Thomas C. Stapleford, 53, manager of Purchasing. Bucks County, William J. Williams, 49, manager of suburban Transmission & Distribution operations.

Conowingo, Samuel M. Gawthrop, Jr., 47, president and general manager, Conowingo Power Co.

The general managers are expected to take over their new responsibilities by December of this year.

Paquette said the reorganization will, for the first time in more than 50 years, give division general managers direct responsibility and accountability for the quality and reliability of services to customers.

"This move," Paquette said, "represents another step in our strategic plan to change Philadelphia Electric into a strong, competitive utility whose emphasis is on achieving superior customer satisfaction.

"The reorganization," he added, "comes after an in-depth, self- critical review of the way the company does business. That review clearly indicated that the future of Philadelphia Electric will depend to a great degree on our ability to meet our customers' needs and satisfy their concerns.

Corbin A. McNeill Jr., PE president and chief operating officer, said the company intends to accomplish this goal "by delegating more responsibility and accountability to the divisional level, bringing our organization closer to our customers."

McNeill said the new position of division general manager will report directly to him and will have line authority for the distribution of gas and electricity, and for satisfying customer needs, concerns and complaints.

Since prior to World War II, these services have been administered out of the company's headquarters in Philadelphia.

The changes, he said, are designed to improve service reliability through more effective maintenance of gas and electric distribution systems, to effect more timely service calls to customers' homes and businesses, and to resolve more promptly customer concerns and complaints.

Under the reorganization, the remaining central operations at PE headquarters in Philadelphia will continue to supervise the transmission of gas and electricity, and they will provide extensive administrative services to support divisional operations in the field.

The reorganization also will change the existing boundaries of PE's suburban divisions to conform with the geographical boundaries of Delaware Chester, Montgomery and Bucks counties, thereby realigning divisions that now cross county lines.

It will also establish two divisions in the City of Philadelphia, separated generally by Girard Avenue, and it will leave basically unchanged the boundaries of Conowingo Power Co., a PE subsidiary in Maryland serving portions of Cecil and Harford Counties in Maryland and a part of York County in Pennsylvania.

The reorganization will be implemented in stages between Oct. 1, 1990, and Dec. 31, 1991.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Texaco Inc. (NYSE: TX) announced today that its subsidiary, Texaco Petroleum Development Company, has signed a protocol for basic principles of joint work on a feasibility study with Arkhangelskgeologia, a production geological association under the Ministry of Geology of the Soviet Union. The Protocol agreement is a further step toward a joint venture for the exploration and development of oil and gas deposits in the Soviet Union.

At the signing ceremony in Arkhangelsk, Soviet Union, Texaco President and Chief Executive Officer James W. Kinnear said: "The signing of this agreement represents a further step in our proposed joint effort for the development of oil and gas reserves which have been identified and established onshore the Soviet Union.

Texaco announced in mid-August that it had signed an agreement on principles of cooperation with the Ministry of Geology for proposed joint participation in the exploration, development and production of hydrocarbons onshore the Soviet Union. In line with the principles of cooperation, the announcement of the protocol agreement for the feasibility study is a significant step toward a proposed joint venture project. The feasibility study is expected to take approximately six to nine months to complete and will involve the examination of both technical and economic aspects of oil and gas exploration and development of the Timan-Pechora region. During the feasibility study period, the parties will negotiate and prepare the joint venture contractual documents for establishing the project in the Timan-Pechora region.

Exploration and development work in the proposed joint venture project would be carried out primarily by Soviet personnel, supplemented by Texaco technical experts.

In May, Texaco announced that another subsidiary company, Texaco Europe Research Inc., had signed an agreement for research cooperation with Vniizarubezhgeologia, the all-union research institute of the Ministry of Geology of the Soviet Union. As part of that agreement, Texaco and Institute personnel will process geophysical and geological data for the assessment of oil and gas potential in Soviet and other basins.

The protocol agreement for the feasibility study, coupled with the principles of cooperation and the agreement for research cooperation, are significant steps toward establishing a Texaco joint venture in the Soviet Union.

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#90254p3282 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
TORONTO (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Varity Corporation (NYSE: VAT) declared regular quarterly dividends of US$0.325 per share on Class I Series A preferred shares and Cdn. $0.40625 per share on Class II Series A preferred shares, payable Oct. 31, 1990, to holders of record as of the close of business Oct. 19.

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#90254p3284 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. PAUL, MINN. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines today filed an application with the U.S. Transportation Department for the right to fly nonstop between the United States and Sydney, Australia.

In its application, Northwest asked for an "emergency exemption" to open the route because Northwest understands that Hawaiian Airlines plans to suspend its southbound service from Honolulu to Sydney on Sept. 20 and its northbound service on Sept. 21.

Northwest said if Hawaiian plans to abandon the service permanently, it is prepared to begin flights as soon as government approvals are secured. The application did not discuss frequencies, flight schedules or aircraft types Northwest would operate.

Northwest said it should be considered for the route because the airline earlier this year was selected back up carrier to American when that airline was awarded U.S.-Australia rights.

Northwest is America's fourth-largest airline. It serves 135 cities in 40 states, Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, Asia and Europe.

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#90254p3288 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOUISVILLE, KY. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to this morning's announcement that Los Angeles-based franchisee Collins Foods, International, Inc. (NYSE: CF) will sell 209 Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurants to Kentucky Fried Chicken Corp., the following statement was issued by John M. Cranor, president and chief executive officer, Kentucky Fried Chicken Corp.:

"This acquisition reflects our tremendous confidence in the growth prospects for Kentucky Fried Chicken. We believe KFC has an extremely bright future, and we welcome the opportunity to expand our participation

in this way."

"Collins Foods has built a profitable, well-run restaurant system with strong presence in several fast-growing markets. We think these restaurants will fit very well into our company operations, and we're delighted to welcome Collins employees to the KFC corporate family."

CONTACT: Richard M. Detwiler, Director of Public Affairs, Kentucky Fried Chicken Corporation, 502-456-8482

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#90254p3291 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MORRIS PLAINS, N.J. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA/Fannie Mae) has informed Mortgage Access Corp. that it may provide mortgage payment relief to its FNMA customers who have been called out of civilian jobs into active military duty due to the recent crisis in the Persian Gulf, according to Mortgage Access Senior Vice President Albert Engel. This relief is provided for under a little-known federal act called the Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief Act originally enacted in 1940.

The aide policy as announced by FNMA allows the agency's approved mortgage sellers/servicers, such as Mortgage Access Corp., to extend several provisions to FNMA customers. These provisions are designed to reduce mortgage payments and add flexibility to the payment schedules for service personnel currently in active duty.

Under the first provision of the program, Mortgage Access Corp. will automatically reduce the mortgage interest rate charged to its FNMA borrowers to 6 percent if they demonstrate, by a copy of their military orders, that they have been called into active duty. The repayment of this interest debt is totally forgiven, not just deferred. "This reduction in interest rate, thus mortgage payment, will significantly reduce the financial burden the civilian soldier will face during the time of his/her activation," commented Engel.

The Act also provides for a suspension of the mortgage payments if the service member obtains a court order finding that his or her ability to pay has been affected by entry into the military service. This suspension would coincide with the length of the service member's period of active service.

The third aspect of the program provides that property foreclosure proceedings cannot begin or be continued against an activated service member unless he or she has given written consent to the foreclosure, or the court authorizes the foreclosure to take place as a result of its determination that military service was not the cause of nonpayment on the

mortgage loan.

CONTACT: Tanya Bennett of Mortgage Access Corp., 201-605-1502

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#90254p3293 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Graphic Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: GRPH), a leading full service printing and graphic communications company, today reported that sales and earnings were up for the second quarter and first half of this fiscal year.

It was the third consecutive quarter of higher earnings as compared to corresponding periods of the previous year.

For the three months ended July 31, sales advanced 15 percent to $81,469,000 compared with $71,057,000 last year. Net income increased more than 63 percent to $1,076,000 compared with $660,000 a year ago. Earnings per share of common stock fully diluted were $.11 vs. $.07 for the first quarter last year.

For the first half, sales increased 15 percent to $165,680,000 compared with $143,551,000 last year. Net income gained 44 percent to $2,885,000, compared with $2,001,000, while earnings per share of common stock fully diluted advanced to $.30 compared with $.21 last year.

"The improved earnings for the second quarter reflect the determined efforts of our people to meet severe pricing competition and increase market share," said Mark C. Pope III, chairman and chief executive officer of Graphic. "Our people have adjusted to the sluggish economy and strong competition by aggressive marketing and increased productivity as well as substantial cost reductions."

For the year ended Jan. 31, Graphic's sales were up 15 percent to a record $310,330,000, ranking the company 20th among commercial printing firms in North America.

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#90254p3295 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORANGE, CALIF. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - VTN Corp. (NASDAQ: VTNC) earned $1,897,122 ($.14 per share) for the year ending May 31, 1990, vs. a profit of $713,333 ($.05 per share) for the previous year. Sales were $11,101,000 down from $12,373,000 the previous year. The fiscal fourth quarter was VTN's 13th profitable quarter in a row.

VTN's chairman of the board, Daniel C. Montano, stated that the new fiscal year is an unknown. The international activities that VTN is developing are progressing nicely and VTN anticipates signing a major agreement this fiscal year for the development of a major world class resort/retirement community overseas. VTN also anticipates that its efforts in Eastern Europe, the Soviet Union, and other formerly communist countries should start to generate new business in 1991. However, while the international activities are very encouraging, VTN's domestic land development engineering business is feeling the dramatic softness that is occurring across the United States. Steps are being taken to adjust operations. VTN is also actively working to assist financial institutions in the turnaround of their problem real estate.

Montano stated last year was excellent, the future looks promising; however, the current and short-term economic forecast looks very difficult.

VTN has 4 offices in California, located in Orange, San Diego and Los Angeles counties; in addition they have offices in Miami, Boston and Manilla, Philippines.

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#90254p3296 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - 50-OFF Stores, Inc., a San Antonio based off-price apparel retailer, announced it has signed leases for five new stores which are planned for late October or early November openings. With these planned openings, and the seven stores already opened through August, the company intends to add a total of 12 new stores to the chain by the end of its current year and expects to be operating 46 stores at Feb. 1, 1991, its fiscal year end.

Charles Siegel, president and chief executive officer, stated that the company had originally planned 10 new stores for the current fiscal year. However, since year-to-date results were so encouraging; exceeding revenue and income for both last year and projections for this year; and suitable locations were available, the company decided to open the additional stores. All of the new stores will be in existing markets.

The five new stores expected to open will be the company's eighth store in San Antonio; its seventh and eighth stores in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex; its second store in the Shreveport, La. area in Bossier City; and its third store in Oklahoma City.

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#90254p3298 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FL (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Holiday RV Superstores, Inc. (NASDAQ: RVEE) today reported record third quarter fiscal 1990 total sales revenues of $10,422,642, up 22.2 percent over 1989 third quarter revenues of $8,529,869. Earnings for the quarter were $239,628 vs. $251,011 for the same fiscal period last year.

Nine month revenues ending July 31, 1990 were $32,149,124 vs. $33,451,611 for the same period last year. Earnings for the nine month period were $868,522 vs. $995,914 last year, reflecting increased selling, general and administrative expenses (SG&A) needed to stimulate sales momentum during the period.

Newton C. Kindlund, president and chief executive officer of Holiday RV Superstores, Inc. said "Although our net income dropped marginally, we maintained solid sales momentum through expanded market penetration. Sales revenues advanced to their highest level for any prior third quarter reporting period. Our gross profit margins increase; however, higher selling and operating expenses impacted our net profit margin. Despite a general industry turn down, we continue to increase our market share as seen by significant sales and earnings increases during this past month of August."

Holiday RV Superstores, Inc. is the nation's only publicly traded recreational vehicle and marine products dealership that sells and services RVs and boats from major manufacturers. The company operates its dealership network in Florida, Georgia and South Carolina.

HOLIDAY RV SUPERSTORES, INC.

	For Quarter Ended July 31, 1990	For Quarter Ended July 31, 1989
Total Revenues	$10,422,642	$ 8,529,869
Net Income	$ 239,628	$ 251,011
Earnings Per Share	3.3 cents	3.5 cents
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	7,340,000	7,140,000
For Nine Months Ended		
Total Revenues	$32,149,124	$33,451,611
Net Income	$ 868,522	$ 995,914
Earnings Per Share	11.8 cents	13.9 cents
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	7,340,000	7,140,000

CONTACT: Beverly Jedynak of Martin E. Janis & Co., Inc. Public Relations, 312-943-1100, for Holiday RV Superstores, Inc.

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#90254p3304 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Async Corporation, an MCI company and the nation's leading voice mail service bureau, announced today the acquisition of Xerox Corporation's (NYSE: XRX) voice mail service bureau business, a part of the company's Voice Systems Division in Lewisville, Texas.

Under the agreement, Async will provide its voice messaging service to the Xerox voice mail customer base including some internal Xerox voice mail users effective almost immediately. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

According to Async President Regi Campbell: "We are pleased with the recent acquisition of Xerox voice mail. It will give Async a more significant presence on the West Coast and add to our total number of subscribers. As a part of Async, the new customers will also have access to Async's Gateway and Interactive Voice Response services."

Interactive Voice Response allows business professionals to report daily field information via the keypad on any touch-tone phone.

The Async Gateway service is a new product offering unique to the telecommunications industry. It gives mobile professionals the ability to use voice mail, arrange a conference call and make long distance calls by dialing a single 800 number.

Voice mail is used to improve internal business communications through computer technology and the touch-tone phone.

Founded in 1984, Async continues to lead in the domestic voice mail service market. Async is a wholly-owned subsidiary of MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC).

Xerox has provided a voice mail service bureau nationally since 1988.

CONTACT: Carolyn Bradfield, director of marketing, MCI Communications Corporation, 404-993-3393

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#90254p3309 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
BRIDGEWATER, N.J. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Integrated Network Corporation (INC), a designer and manufacturer of advanced networking equipment, today introduced the CM-384/PRI ISDN unit for high-speed dial-up applications. The CM-384/PRI unit provides users with a range of access speeds from 56 to 768 kbps to support rapidly growing network applications such as full motion video, image processing, disaster recovery, on-line vaulting and

LAN-to-LAN communications.

Designed to take maximum advantage of today's high-speed, fiber-based networks, the CM-384/PRI allows users to dial up just the amount of bandwidth needed to support their applications. They do not need to subscribe to fixed amounts of bandwidth that lie idle most of the time. Thus, users gain significant price and performance advantages with the CM-384/PRI compared to present, static, fixed-capacity network configurations. "INC's mission is to deliver products that allow local telephone companies to offer new digitally-based services and allow their customers to gain easy and cost-effective access to these services," said Dr. Yo-Sung Cho, president and co-founder of INC.

"Customer data networks of the 1990s will increasingly be based on the basic building block of a 64 kbps channel -- switched and non-switched -- and INC intends to be a major supplier of equipment for these networks. Thus, the CM-384/PRI represents a continuing expansion of INC's digital data product line building upon the industrywide success of our 1056 products for switched 56/64 kbps applications."

The CM-384/PRI unit accesses digital network services via an ISDN Primary Rate Interface (PRI) channel. The PRI channel is provided over local T-1 lines and supports up to 23 "B" or "bearer" channels at 64 kbps for carrying customer data, and one "D" channel to carry signalling information. Depending on the particular array of capabilities supported by the serving carrier, the PRI channel supports a mix of dedicated and switched services in increments of 56/64 kbps.

INC designs and manufactures intelligent network systems that provide universal access to advanced data and voice services. Products are sold directly to local telephone companies and end-users as well as distributed by major CPE vendors and value-added resellers.

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#90254p3310 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Quanex Corporation (NYSE: NX), a leading manufacturer of specialty metal products, today announced the sale of Transhield Trucking (Transhield), acquired in August 1989 with the acquisition of Nichols-Homeshield.

Certain of Transhield's assets together with various rights and interests were sold to a subsidiary of Midwest Coast Transport, Sioux Falls, S.D., for immediate cash proceeds of approximately $900,000. Quanex intends to

liquidate remaining Transhield assets before fiscal year-end.

In a separate transaction, the company said that it had also completed the sale of certain Houston-area real estate for cash proceeds of $1.1 million.

Carl E. Pfeiffer, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We are continually evaluating all of our businesses for strategic fit and profitability. Our specialty metal products are manufactured for niche markets where Quanex has the core strengths to produce a significant competitive advantage and higher returns on our shareholders' investment. Businesses and assets without this potential will be sold and the proceeds used to move toward our strategic goal of becoming a specialty materials company."

Quanex is a technological leader in the manufacture of steel, aluminum and titanium specialty metal products for transportation, capital equipment, home building and remodeling and energy processing markets.

Latest 12 months sales data: $620.3 million, operating earnings; $52.1 million, net income; $25.2 million, cash from operations; $68.8 million, earnings per primary common share; $1.80, quarterly common dividend rate; 10 cents per share, book value per common share; $11.76, long term debt/capitalization; 30 percent, return on common shareholders' equity; 16.1 percent, common stock price range (52 week High/Low) $18.625 and $11.50.

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#90254p3313 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

INGLEWOOD, CALIF. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Eldon Industries Inc. (NYSE: ELD) reported today that the previously announced Sept. 17, 1990, record date for its special stockholders meeting to consider the merger with Rubbermaid Inc., has been changed to Sept. 24, 1990, to enable the New York Stock Exchange to complete certain notification procedures. The Oct. 29, 1990, date for such special stockholders' meeting remains unchanged.

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#90254p3315 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The trustees of BRNF Liquidating Trust declared the 33rd Trust liquidating distribution in the amount of $2 per unit, payable Oct. 9, 1990, to the Series A, B and C certificate

holders of record at the close of business Sept. 25.

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#90254p3317 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Seligman Select Municipal Fund (NYSE: SEL), a closed-end, tax-exempt bond fund, today declared a common stock dividend of 7 cents per share payable on Sept. 25 to shareholders of record Sept. 20.

J. & W. Seligman & Co. Incorporated, founded in 1864, is an investment manager and advisor with more than $8 billion in assets under management. The firm serves pension plans, institutions and individuals. J. & W. Seligman manges the Seligman Family of Mutual Funds, with 30 portfolios, and Tri-Continental Corporation, the nation's largest diversified equity closed-end investment company, and Seligman Select Municipal Fund.

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#90254p3318 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHESDA, MD. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Realty Investment Trust (NYSE: FRT) announced today that it has increased its regular quarterly cash dividend to 37 cents per share from 35 cents per share.

This represents a 6 percent increase to a new indicated annual dividend rate of $1.48. This marks the 23rd consecutive year in which Federal Realty has increased its dividend rate and the 112th consecutive quarterly dividend paid by the Trust. Over the last 10 years, Federal Realty's dividends paid have grown at a compound annual rate of 10.4 percent.

The increased dividend will be payable Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 25, 1990.

Steven J. Guttman, president and chief executive officer stated, "Our ability to increase our dividend for the 23rd consecutive year underscores the overall strength of the Trust's properties even in a difficult economic environment."

Federal Realty is an equity real estate investment trust which owns and operates neighborhood and community shopping centers in prime locations. Trust properties are located in 10 states concentrated in the mid-Atlantic region between the New York metropolitan area and Richmond, Va.

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Investment Trust, 301-652-3360

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#90254p3322 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of H.J. Heinz Co. (NYSE: HNZ) today raised the quarterly dividend on the company's common stock to 24 cents from 21 cents, a 14 percent increase, for an indicated annual rate of 96 cents per share.

The dividend will be paid on Oct. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 24, 1990.

In addition, the board declared a quarterly dividend of 42-1/2 cents per share on the third cumulative preferred stock, $1.70 First Series, payable Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 24, 1990.

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#90254p3328 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - General Development Corporation (NYSE: GDV) President Thomas J. Hutchison today announced several promotions which he said will round out the new management team at the company and put it in a strong position to complete its reorganization.

Charles M. Andolsek was named executive vice president and chief financial officer. Andolsek, 43, who is also a member of the board of directors, joined the company in February 1990 as senior vice president and chief financial officer. Before coming to GDC, Andolsek was executive vice president/finance and chief financial officer of Vinters International Co. Inc. in New York. Prior to that he served in a number of executive positions with Joseph E. Seagram & Sons, Inc.

Margaret A. Graff, 39, has been promoted to senior vice president/corporate planning. Graff joined GDC in 1987 as assistant vice president and assistant treasurer. Since March 1990 she has served as vice president/treasurer.

A native of North Wilkesboro, N.C., she received a bachelor's degree in economics from Appalachian State University.

Joseph P. Zdon, 48, was named senior vice president/controller. He joined

the company in 1973 and has been vice president and controller for the company for the last 10 years. A native of Minnesota, Zdon obtained a bachelor of science in accounting from the University of Minnesota and a master's of science in finance from Florida International University.

Lisa Davis Anness, 34, has been named vice president of Planning Project Management. She joined GDC in 1978 as a biologist in the Environmental Programs Department and later became director of Environmental Planning and Engineering. She was promoted to assistant vice president in October 1988.

Anness was born in Morocco. She holds a bachelor's degree in biology and a master's degree in business administration both from the University of Miami.

Nelly Medel has been named director of corporate communications. Medel, 35 joined GDC in 1987 as administrative coordinator in the Corporate Communications Department. She was named manager of corporate communications in March 1990. Originally from New York, Medel worked in the financial division at CenTrust Savings Bank, within the computer sales division of Tandy Corporation and earlier was affiliated with several South American corporations.

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#90254p3329 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Compaq Computer Corporation (NYSE: CPQ) today reduced suggested resale prices of many of its desktop personal computers by up to 20 percent and selected memory options by an average of 25 percent.

"Customers who have been considering other products will want to take another look at Compaq," said Mike Swavely, president, North America, Compaq Computer Corporation. "With these price reductions, Compaq is well positioned to take advantage of the fourth-quarter market growth and the accelerated movement to 386- and 386SX-based PCs.

"Compaq was the first company to introduce 386 technology to the industry in 1986. Since then, we have continued to innovate and have introduced a full range of high performance desktop products to meet the most demanding customer needs. This combination of a full product family and new aggressive pricing represents Compaq's commitment to leadership in this market segment," said Swavely.

The price reductions were taken on the following PCs: COMPAQ DESKPRO 386/25e, COMPAQ DESKPRO 386/20e, COMPAQ DESKPRO 386s/20, COMPAQ DESKPRO

386s, COMPAQ DESKPRO 386N and COMPAQ DESKPRO 286N.

Compaq offers customers a full line of 386- and 386SX-based PCs to address these fast growing market segments. According to Storeboard Inc. data, the number of 80386-based units sold through the dealer channel (U.S.) in the second quarter grew 24 percent compared to the same period last year.

In the 386 segment, both the COMPAQ DESKPRO 386/25e and COMPAQ DESKPRO 386/20e offer high performance at a very competitive price. For example, the COMPAQ DESKPRO 386/25e Model 120 and Model 60 are priced $500 lower (SRP) than the IBM PS/2 70-A21 and 70-A61. With two additional megabytes of memory standard, 16-bit VGA and faster fixed disk drives, the COMPAQ DESKPRO 386/25e offers a very attractive alternative.

Compaq also offers customers a full line of 386SX-based PCs: the COMPAQ DESKPRO 386s/20, COMPAQ DESKPRO 386s and COMPAQ DESKPRO 386N. According to Storeboard Inc. data, the number of 386SX-based units sold through the dealer channel (U.S.) in the second quarter grew 442 percent compared to the same period last year.

The lowered prices of the COMPAQ DESKPRO 386s/20 make it a more attractive alternative for performance-conscious users. The very popular COMPAQ DESKPRO 386s will also continue to be in high demand with today's price reductions.

Additionally, the COMPAQ DESKPRO 386N is now even more affordable for entry-level 386SX users who have basic computing needs. The new pricing combined with the popular security features of this product will also greatly benefit users in connected environments.

Compaq Computer Corporation is a world leader in the manufacture of PC systems, and desktop, portable and laptop business personal computers. COMPAQ products are sold in 64 countries through a network of more than 3,000 authorized COMPAQ computer dealers.

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#90254p3332 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

INVER GROVE HEIGHTS, Minn. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Surgidyne, Inc. today announced that it has received 510K approval from the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to market its postoperative orthopaedic autotransfusion system. The Surgidyne Autotransfusion System is comprised of its portable VariDyne battery powered suction pump and a disposable

system for collection and reinfusion of blood back into the patient.

Autotransfusion of a patient's blood following joint replacement surgery is an increasingly common, but relatively new procedure, being done by orthopaedic surgeons. It is most frequently employed in hip and knee replacement procedures, a fast growing segment of the orthopaedic surgery market. The company sees an excellent potential for its proprietary autotransfusion system that employs its patented VariDyne Vacuum Controller.

The company estimates that there will be approximately 500,000 hip and knee surgeries performed in the U.S. in 1991 that offer potential for use of autotransfusion systems. The compound growth of the hip and knee replacement market exceeds 12 percent per year. Dynamic growth is being seen in the sale of autotransfusion systems as surgeons and patients often prefer the use of autologous blood (the patient's own blood) to homologous donated blood from blood banks. Autotransfusion eliminates their concerns about infections from blood with AIDS or Hepatitis B virus. The U.S. market for postoperative autotransfusion products is expected to reach $50,000,000 within a few years.

Surgidyne is continuing to negotiate an exclusive manufacturing/marketing agreement for its VariDyne Autotransfusion System with the V.Mueller Division of Baxter Healthcare Corporation of Deerfield, Ill. The company plans to have its newly approved system available for market introduction at the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons in Anaheim, Calif., in March 1991.

The company designs, develops, manufactures and markets specialty medical and surgical products. The company's common stock is traded in the local over-the-counter market. The company's executive offices are located at 9605 West Jefferson Trail, Inver Grove Heights, Minn. 55077.

CONTACT: Charles B. McNeil of Surgidyne, 612-681-9235.

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Express Corporation (NYSE: FDX) announced today that William J. Razzouk has been promoted to senior vice president-sales and customer information.

Razzouk is responsible for developing and executing sales programs that will enhance the company's position as the world's leading global express company. In addition to administering U.S. and international sales, he will also be responsible for customer automation and invoicing.

Razzouk joined Federal Express in 1983 as vice president-electronic

product sales. He was named vice president-field sales in 1986 and vice president-U.S. sales in 1988, the position he held until his promotion. Prior to joining the company, Razzouk was vice president and general manager of Rolm Corp. in Dallas.

Razzouk received a bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - "The Coaches Show," the FNN:SPORTS cable television program that premiered Sunday, Sept. 9, is just one of the new changes announced this week by UPI SportsNews, the joint venture between United Press International and FNN:SPORTS.

The "Coaches Show" is the first of several new initiatives aimed toward sports fans, sports editors and broadcasters, said Arnie Rosenthal, president of the UPI SportsNews venture with FNN:SPORTS.

Also included now on FNN:SPORTS are the UPI college rankings, a service that began in 1950. The rankings are now released Sundays, prior to the 30-minute "Coaches Show" broadcast Sundays at 11:30 p.m. EDT, 8:30 p.m. PDT.

"The Sunday UPI Coaches Poll results and the new joint programming efforts are the first glimpse of expanded UPI-FNN sports reporting," Rosenthal said.

Rosenthal also announced UPI SportsNews will provide FNN:SPORTS features and investigative reports to UPI print and broadcast media sports clients. During the new services' introduction, said Rosenthal, there will be no additional charges for UPI television clients who ask to receive FNN:SPORTS video material via satellite, or for UPI radio and newspaper clients receiving text versions of FNN:SPORTS stories.

Rosenthal said that among other UPI SportsNews projects nearing completion is 900-number sports polling in collaboration with UPI client newspapers

and Financial News Network. Sports polling will enable newspaper readers and cable television viewers to telephone votes for competitors, beginning in October.

UPI, founded in 1907, is owned by Infotechnology Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ITCH), which also owns 47 percent of Financial News Network Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FNNI). FNN cable television serves more than 35 million subscribers.

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PORT HURON, Mich. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Oil Company today announced it was joining the state of Michigan and the Spill Control Association of America to make spill-response materials readily available to help protect the Great Lakes.

Amoco will provide storage space for spill-response materials at four of its Michigan product terminals which are strategically located around the state's shoreline, said Terry R. Weaver, Amoco's vice president of West Zone Marketing Operations, at a news conference held here this morning.

The Spill Control Association will provide containment booms at the four terminals which can be used to contain any product that might be released into the lakes. In addition, the Michigan state police will provide trailers on which the booms will be stored.

Amoco's terminals are located at Bay City, Cheboygan, Escanaba and Muskegon, Weaver said. Booms also will be stored at a site located near the St. Clair River.

"We currently store and distribute refined products to Amoco marketers from these terminals, which are manned 24 hours a day, every day of the year," Weaver said. "Our terminal personnel will do whatever they can to assist the state and certified responders in dispensing these booms should they ever be needed."

Under the agreement reached between Amoco, the state, and the association, certified state responders will be able to use the booms to contain any product that should escape to any of the Great Lakes.

"The Great Lakes are undoubtedly one of our finest natural resources," Weaver said. "Although no crude oil and very little refined product are transported on the Great Lakes, we believe this cooperative effort will provide Michigan and Michigan residents with a safety net that could be extremely useful if ever needed.

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PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Tele-Communications Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: TCOM) today unveiled 11 new points to The Customer 1st program, TCI's national customer service program, bringing to 33 the number of initiatives included in the company's efforts to better serve its customers.

The announcement was made by members of the TCI Customer Service Committee 14 employees from TCI system, state and division offices across the nation, who are responsible for the development and implementation of The Customer 1st program.

Noting that the program was first announced one year ago, J.C. Sparkman, TCI executive vice president and chief operating officer, stated, "We said at the outset that The Customer 1st program would be an evolving process. It will continue to grow and change as our customers' needs change and we develop better ways to serve them."

The additional points include the establishment of a "Blue Ribbon Committee," comprised of employees from throughout TCI, which will assume the responsibility for the continued development of the Customer 1st program; a national employee survey; the production of a videotape to be made available to new customers and shown on local origination channels which will provide often-requested subscriber information; and the establishment of an 800 number connecting customers to TCI's corporate office if a problem cannot be resolved to their satisfaction locally, advanced employee training programs, and the acceptance of credit cards for installation charges and converter purchases.

Bryant Hill, TCI's recently appointed vice president of customer service, and head of the company's new corporate customer relations department, stated, "The Customer 1st program has been extremely well received throughout TCI -- both by employees and by our customers. Our third annual customer satisfaction survey showed a dramatic rise in customer satisfaction with our service. Additionally, employees appreciate being given the authority to solve problems -- and they have done a great job."

Stressing the importance of focusing on employees, Suzy Dotson, a member of the Customer Service Committee and TCI Central Inc.'s director of training and development, added, "We have learned that we can't serve our customers well without first serving our employees. As part of The Customer 1st program, we have developed several training programs and plan to continue to concentrate on training."

The first 21 points of The Customer 1st program, which include a money-back guarantee, increased authority for customer service representatives and field personnel, a customer call-back program, and a commitment to service by the next business day, "were implemented following last year's announcement," said Hill. "We gave ourselves until December of this year to fully achieve all points. I'm happy to say that we'll beat that deadline by a couple of months."

The 22nd point, the National Cable Television Association (NCTA) Customer Service Standards, was added to the program in February.

Tele-Communications Inc. is traded over-the-counter with Class A common stock and Class B common stock trading separately under the symbols TCOMA and TCOMB, respectively. The company's 11-1/8 percent senior subordinated debentures, 7 percent convertible subordinated debentures, and TCI rights are traded in the over-the-counter markets, the latter two under the symbols of TCOMII and TCOMR, respectively.

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NEW HAVEN, CT (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - First Constitution Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: FCON), the holding company that owns First Constitution Bank, said its board voted to enlarge its size from 11 to 12 members and elected Daniel J. Miglio to serve as a new member. Miglio is chief financial officer of Southern New England Telecommunications Corporation and its principal subsidiary, The Southern New England Telephone Company (SNET).

First Constitution's directors serve concurrently as directors of the bank subsidiary, according to John J. Crawford, president and chief executive officer.

Miglio, 50, joined SNET in 1962, following graduation from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, where he majored in economics.

He progressed through a series of financially oriented staff positions, in addition to holding management assignments in operating areas of the company. He serves as a board member of Southern New England Telecommunications, manages financial and investment operations, and directs strategic planning, legislative and regulatory affairs, and corporate communications. His career includes substantial experience in customer relations.

A resident of Branford, Conn., Miglio is a director of the United States

Telephone Association, chairman of the finance committee of the Connecticut Joint Council On Economic Education, and a director of the New Haven Symphony Orchestra.

First Constitution Bank is a state-chartered, FDIC-insured savings institution with 22 branches in communities in Fairfield and New Haven counties.

The common shares of the holding company are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, where the trading symbol is FCON.

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#90254p3366 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Colorocs Corporation (NASDAQ: CLRX), a developer of full-color electrophotographic copiers and electronic printers based on proprietary technology, today announced that James A. Watts, Jr. is joining the company as vice president and chief financial officer.

Watts has served on Colorocs' board of directors for the past two years. Also, as a partner with the international accounting firm Deloitte Haskins & Sells (now Deloitte & Touche), he worked closely with Colorocs' management during its early years.

Watts' primary duties at Colorocs will include securing additional support from the financial community to fund future expansion as well as enhancing the company's financial control systems to monitor the company's projected growth. He will be assuming some responsibilities from Executive Vice President Alan B. Srochi, who will be focusing on strategic issues.

Charles Muench, president of Colorocs, said, "Jim Watts comes to Colorocs with a working knowledge of the company. In addition, because of his past association with several early stage companies, he has an understanding of the challenges that Colorocs faces in its effort to gain market share in a rapidly growing market segment."

For the past two years Watts was executive vice president and chief financial officer of Integratec, Inc., an Atlanta-based company which provides accounts receivable management services primarily to health care and financial institutions.

Prior to joining Deloitte, Haskins & Sells in 1982, Watts was a partner with Coopers & Lybrand.

Colorocs designs, develops and sells color copiers and electronic

printers. There are over 8,000 units in the field using Colorocs' patented technology under the Sharp Corporation, Savin Corporation, HCS Technology N.V. and Colorocs labels.

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#90254p3369 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEVERLY HILLS, CA. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Kenji Thielstrom has been named vice president, Creative Advertising for Twentieth Century Fox, it was announced today by Cynthia Wick, executive vice president of Marketing. Thielstrom, who reports to Wick, adds the creation of print materials to his continuing responsibilities for creating audio-visual advertising materials.

Joining Fox in September 1986 as a manager and promoted to director of Creative Advertising in 1988, Thielstrom has been involved in creating the campaigns for such films as "Big," "Die Hard," "Working Girl," "The War of the Roses," and "Die Hard 2."

Prior to that he was post-production supervisor for RPG Film and Video. A graduate of the USC School of Cinema/Television, he started working in the industry as a designer of titles and graphics for film and television.

Twentieth Century Fox is primarily engaged in the financing, development, production, marketing and distribution of motion pictures through the world and is a unit of Fox Inc.

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#90254p3370 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Isramco, Inc. (NASDAQ: ISRL), an American company, reported today that the Israeli government had granted the Negev Venture 2 an additional permit for oil exploration on 1,030,000 acres, to be named the Negev Yam North permit, situated offshore along the Mediterranean coast of Israel. The acreage, which stretches 73 miles from Ashdod to Haifa, is in addition to the 300,000 acres of licenses the Negev Venture 2 already holds.

In reporting the additional acreage, Isramco chairman, Joseph Elmaleh, said that plans were under way to secure the funding for a three-well $40 million drilling program to further test the Jurassic formation in which oil was found in the Yam 2 well in the Mediterranean offshore of Ashdod. Two of the wells are expected to be drilled offshore and one is planned

onshore to test the Jurassic to Permian foundations in the coastal plain.

Elmaleh noted that in a press conference held in Tel-Aviv on Sept. 5, Armand Hammer, chairman of Occidental Petroleum, said that he and other private investors participating in his group -- including British publisher Robert Maxwell and Albert Reichman of Olympia and York, the worldwide real estate company, and also a director of Gulf Canada Resources, Ltd., one of Canada's largest oil exploration companies -- would undertake to raise the major portion of the $40 million needed for the program.

Elmaleh said, "Isramco, the operator, is now awaiting approval of the program by all the partners in the Negev Venture 2, which also includes a group of Israeli participants, as well as Isramco and Dr. Hammer's group. Isramco has a 1 percent working interest in the Negev Venture 2 and also holds an overriding royalty of 3.19345 percent after payout. The overriding royalty does not require investment in the costs of exploratory work and drilling."

Hammer also said during his press conference in Tel-Aviv that he believed that Israel could become a net oil exporter by the end of 1990s.

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#90254p3371 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG GROVE, Ill. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Kemper Corp. (NYSE: KEM) today announced it has established reserves totaling $9.3 million in the third quarter to cover tornado-related and hail-storm losses for its property-casualty and reinsurance segments. These reserves will result in an estimated after-tax charge to net income of $6.1 million, or $.13 per share, for the quarter. Net income for the third quarter, expected to be announced on Nov. 1, 1990, will reflect these losses.

"These reserves are based on an estimate of Kemper Corp.'s incurred losses as a result of the recent tornado in the southwest suburbs of Chicago and hail and wind storms in the Denver, Colo., metropolitan area," said Joseph E. Luecke, chairman of the board and chief executive officer. "The loss reserve established for our property-casualty insurance segment reflects the devastating tornado that struck Joliet, Plainfield and Crest Hill, Ill. The loss reserve established for the reinsurance segment reflects not only losses from the tornado, but also the Denver-area storms."

Preliminary estimates indicate that the total property damage from the tornado in the Chicago suburbs could be as high as $400 million, Luecke

said. Colorado Insurance Commission estimates that the insured property damage from the storms in the Denver area could reach $560 million.

THIRD-QUARTER ESTIMATED RESERVES
FOR CATASTROPHE LOSSES

	RESERVES	AFTER TAX
Reinsurance segment	$4.0 million	$2.6 million
Property-casualty insurance segment	$5.3 million	$3.5 million
Total	$9.3 million	$6.1 million

Kemper Corp. is a non-operating holding company with major subsidiaries in life insurance, investment services, reinsurance and property-casualty insurance.

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LOS ANGELES, (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - CF Income Partners L.P. (NYSE: CFI) a Los Angeles-based master limited partnership, announced today the appointment of Dennis A. Sondker as chief administrative officer, Leeann Morein as chief financial officer and Adrine A. Ellouguian as chief accounting officer of CF Management Corp., the general partner of CF Income Partners.

Sondker joins CF Management Corp. from California Federal Bank, FSB, where he was a vice president, and has been a director of the general partner since January 1990. Sondker joined California Federal in 1977 and served in a variety of management positions, including legal counsel for California Federal and CalFed Inc. from 1983 to 1987 and division head-southeast division from 1987 to 1988.

Morein joined California Federal in 1988 as director of real estate syndications accounting and became vice president-financial administration of the general partner in January 1990. From 1983 to 1988 she was employed by Storage Equities Inc. as controller, from 1981 to 1983 as director of accounting for Angeles Corp., and from 1979 to 1981 as audit senior at Price Waterhouse. Morein received her CPA certification in 1981.

Ellouguian joined Cal Fed Enterprises, a subsidiary of California Federal, in 1984, as vice president and controller. She has been vice president and controller of the general partner since January 1990. From 1978 to 1983, she was employed as audit manager for Peat Marwick Mitchell. Ellouguian received her CPA certification in 1980.

CF Income Partners L.P. is a publicly traded master limited partnership which has invested in income producing multi-family residential,

commercial and industrial properties.

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#90254p3374 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Fujitsu Limited announces that it has today commenced marketing of the FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000, a fault-tolerant new-generation communication processor that offers hitherto unavailable levels of reliability for both communications hardware and software, thus making possible uninterrupted operation of network systems.

The Fujitsu system is designed to meet the increasing requirement for 24-hour-a-day on-line networks which need to be fault-tolerant and upgradeable during operation in such fields as global money market trading systems, automatic banking services and cash card services.

Highlights The FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000 is the first major product in the communications processing (CP) domain of Fujitsu's recently introduced mainframe system concept for the 1990s known as MISSION/DC.

The FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000 offers two major modes of operation: - As a current-generation standard communication control processor, it enables the user to implement Fujitsu's latest advances in hardware and software technology without disturbing current network operations.

- More significantly, as a new-generation independent communication node processor, the user can operate the FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000 independently from the host system, thus protecting it from any adverse condition that might affect the host's operation.

Meeting the Customer's Requirements The FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000 addresses the need for continuous processing, fault-tolerant systems that give 24-hour-a-day, 365-days-a- year service. This solution is based on the following concepts:

Continuous operation: Non-stop, even when hardware or software trouble occurs.

Dynamic maintenance and dynamic addition: Enable the replacement of defective equipment, the addition or maintenance of equipment, the addition or maintenance of definitions and the modification of fundamental software - all without stopping the system.

Expansibility: Enables the gradual expansion of performance capacity as and when required.

The FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000 fulfills the need for no-downtime, non- stop processing with a highly reliable network node processor function. It has a connectivity capability for communication with any system, thus facilitating the construction of flexible multi-vendor systems.

The FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000 introduces a message-based client/server model based upon new hardware and software architectures. No longer is it necessary, as with current operating systems, to keep all functions operating in a single processor's main memory. With the new SXO distributed architecture, operating system functions may be divided among the various multiple processors and their respective allocations of the main memory. This results in a high-performance, highly reliable operating system designed to maximize system availability and transaction throughput.

Advanced Remote Maintenance and Supervisory Service (ARMSS) To support the continuous 24-hour-a-day operation of its customers' systems, Fujitsu is now offering a new maintenance service called Advance Remote Maintenance and Supervisory Service, or ARMSS, covering both hardware and software.

When FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000 discovers a problem in system operation, it automatically sidesteps the problem and maintains continuous system operation. At the same time, however, the ARMSS center is automatically informed about the problem. The ARMSS center is directly linked to the customer's Sure installation by ISDN lines and it is constantly prepared to receive information about customer problems and to rapidly carry out maintenance service. With the extra support provided by ARMSS, FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000 users can have complete assurance of uninterrupted 24-hour-a-day operation of their systems.

High Reliability + Maximum Availability Equals Continuous Operation In its hardware, FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000 utilizes the latest technology, including a CPU with 32-bit, high-performance (G MICRO(TM) 300) microprocessors, 4MB DRAMs for memory, and 100,000-gate CMOS gate arrays for LSI logic. Moreover, its advanced architecture includes the following features:

- From two to six processor modules (PMs) can be mounted, each with its own independent CPU. Each PM incorporates its own 16MB or 32MB memory.

- Duplex Shared Storage Modules (SSMs) of up to 64MB each are allocated to the PMs to transfer ongoing processing information and facilitate continuous operation.

- Shared access systems make direct input/output possible from any processor module to any peripheral, such as disk storage, enabling flexible distribution of I/O load and data storage.

- Highly modularized mounting system makes it easy to change or add modules while the system is in operation.

- Battery backup system provides for automatic disk backup of data in the event of a power outage and immediate recommencement of operation when power is restored.

The FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000 incorporates a new concept in operating system software, called SXO. Modularized on a functional basis, SXO allows various software units to be distributed across the available hardware Processing Modules and offers users the following benefits:

- Utilization of multiple processors to manage system throughout requirements results in a high level of performance.

- Ability to duplicate any operating system function in an alternate PM realizes software hot-standby capability, thus ensuring high reliability.

-- Facilitates modification of software functions, which can be implemented and tested on a standby PM while network operation proceeds in normal fashion.

Together, the above software features ensure that should software problems occur, backup software will provide continuous operation and total system failure will be prevented.

Shared access and memory systems make direct input/output possible from any processor. OS functions can be distributed in the most appropriate manner when processors or modules are added, enabling highly flexible, step-by-step system expansion.

- Thanks to its modular hardware system and highly advanced software features, the FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000 offers full "dynamic maintenance." That is to say, it is possible to add or expand hardware or software components and functions without shutting down the system. For example, extra processors and components may be added to enhance processing performance, and extra lines and workstations may be configured without disrupting an existing network.

Open Connectivity To accommodate the open network requirement for connectivity among multi-vendor systems, FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000 supports such international standard communications protocols as Open Systems Interconnection (OSI), TCI/IP, or IBM's Systems Network Architecture (SNA) as well as Fujitsu Network Architecture (FNA).

Independent Network Operation The FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000 has been designed to offer effective linkage with M-Series host systems. Key

linkage features include:

- Support for continuous operation in the event the host system switches to a hot-standby system. Even with high-speed host switching, transaction processing momentarily stops when traditional hot-standby systems are used. This can result in lost or incomplete transactions. With the FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000, however, transaction data to the host is stored during the switch to the hot-standby system and the transactions are not lost. After the host is switched, transaction processing recommences without losing any data.

Corporate Data Exchange System/Extended (CORDEX/E) is provided in the software package for FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000. Linked to the host computer's (CORDEX) package, it makes possible independent network operation, whereby data collection and distribution can be carried out without any influence on the operating time of the host computer. Even when the host computer is not in operation, for example at night or on holidays, data collection and distribution can be efficiently carried out.

- Use of the FUJITSU COMS-I (Corporate Network Management System for Information) product makes it possible to manage the whole network system - from the host system to the most remote workstation, and including the FUJITSU SURE SYSTEM 2000 - in an effective, integrated fashion.

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PALMERTON, PA. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Horsehead Resource Development Co., Inc. (NASDAQ: HHRD), today issued the following statement:

Last Friday, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency withdrew its request for a stay of the mandate in the API (American Petroleum Institute) case. The action gives further technical and regulatory support to Horsehead Resource Development's (HRD) recycling process. In a filing with the court, the EPA stated its belief that "...HTMR (High Temperature Metals Recovery) technology is fully capable of meeting the numerical (land ban) standards based on stabilization." By this action the EPA has recognized that it does not need to promulgate any further rule or regulation in order to comply with the mandate in the API case.

The EPA's action is positive for HRD since the HTMR slag which HRD calls "IRM" readily meets the land ban stabilization standards. HRD's customers may continue to use IRM, which has been sold as a useful product for years, for any application on land or otherwise. The company believes the EPA's action puts to rest any uncertainties with respect to HRD's operations resulting from the API case.

The EPA's action has the effect of establishing HTMR plus the numerical standard as the sole treatment standard for high zinc K061 waste after Aug. 8, 1991, and as the preferred process for such waste until that date.

In its motion for stay of mandate, EPA has noted "EPA does not consider the interim standard (i.e., stabilization and landfilling) to be BDAT because it has no recycling benefits and because it maximizes the amount of hazardous waste to be disposed; rather, the Agency considers HTMR to be superior to stabilization because it addresses recycling and waste minimization." Stabilization and landfilling continue to be an alternative to HTMR for high zinc K061 until Aug. 8, 1991, because of inadequate existing HTMR capacity. HRD is meeting this capacity shortfall with its new HTMR facility in Rockwood, Tenn., expected to be placed in operation during the fourth quarter.

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MT. PROSPECT, IL (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Zenith Data Systems (ZDS), a Groupe Bull company, today reduced the suggested retail prices of select portable personal computers (PCs) by about 15 percent.

"These price adjustments are designed to secure ZDS' position as a value leader in portable PCs as we enter the most active sales period of the year," said Arthur Lambert, ZDS vice president of sales and marketing. "These new prices should create greater excitement at the reseller level for our products."

ZDS lowered the price from $2,799 to $2,399 on its 5.9-pound MinisPort HD, which features a 20-megabyte hard disk and is based on an 80C88 processor.

ZDS also reduced the price of its best-selling SupersPort 286e line of full-function 80C286-based portable PCs with VGA video. The Model 40 with a 40-megabyte hard disk drive is now $3,999, down from $4,699. The Model 20 with a 20-megabyte hard drive is now $3,699, down from $4,399.

ZDS, a Groupe Bull company, is a leading manufacturer and marketer of portable and desktop microcomputers and monitors for single and multi-user applications. With headquarters in Mount Prospect, Ill., and principal assembly operations in St. Joseph, Mich., ZDS has manufacturing and sales facilities in more than 20 countries.

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#90254p3391 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Maritek Corporation (NASDAQ: MRTK) announced today that the shareholders of the corporation at their annual general meeting just held in San Mateo, Calif., elected Sophie Kuo Chiang and Phylo Chiang, L.C. Martin, Sam Shen and Oswald Roels to serve on its board of directors for the year.

Shen, Maritek's president, announced at the meeting that the board of directors of a large Taiwanese institution has approved the application submitted by Maritek Bahamas Ltd. (wholly owned subsidiary of Maritek Corporation) for a substantial loan to greatly expand its mariculture facilities in Long Island, Bahamas, subject to the signing of a final loan document and the provision of adequate collateral. Shen further announced that a marketing program for the company's planned Emerald Beach Resort at its Bahamas property will start immediately with the offering of beach front building lots and condominiums (villas) in the United States and in the Far East.

The reverse stock split, which was proposed in the proxy statement for the annual general meeting, was removed from the agenda of the meeting since NASDAQ altered stock listing maintenance requirements, which would have made this reverse stock split desirable, after the mailing of the proxies. The new NASDAQ proposed stock listing maintenance requirements removed the need for this reverse split of the company's stock. There will, therefore, not be a reverse stock split at this time.

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#90254p3393 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
RALEIGH, NC (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Microwave Laboratories, Inc. (MLI) (NASDAQ: MWAV) announced today that the Government has approved the First Article Test Report for the T1062 Traveling Wave Tube. The Company is now considered a qualified vendor for the T1062 tube and is entitled to begin production and shipments of the tube at this time. The Company currently has a contract for approximately $4.4 million to manufacture T1062 Traveling Wave Tubes for sale to the Navy for its AN/ALQ-99 program.

On July 30, 1990, the Company announced that its T1073 Traveling Wave Tube had completed all required Government environmental qualification testing. However, final approval of the environmental tube is still dependent upon the review and approval by the Government of a First Article Test Report. An additional tube is currently undergoing the required life test. Successful completion of qualification is still dependent upon the approval of the First Article Test Report when submitted and the

acceptance by the Government of the T1073 life test tube. The Company has contracts totalling approximately $9.3 million to manufacture the T1073 Traveling Wave Tube.

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#90254p3395 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Eleven 707-derivative aircraft for the U.S. Navy have been added to the Boeing Commercial Airplane Group announced-order list, Boeing said today. The announcement takes total orders for various types of the original Boeing jetliner over the 1,000 mark.

Ten of those announced today will be E-6 submarine communication aircraft that are added to the six already on the Boeing confirmed order list. The other will be a variation of the E-6 airframe.

These aircraft bring total Boeing orders for the four-engined 707/720 series to 1,010, making it one of only four jetliner series to break the 1,000 mark. The 707/720's order total has been at 999 since November 1987. Deliveries are now 989.

The four series with more than 1,000 orders are the Boeing 707/720, Boeing 727, Boeing 737 and the McDonnell Douglas DC-9/MD-80 series.

E-6 aircraft use a five-mile-long trailing wire as a very-low-frequency antenna to produce a carrier wave that will penetrate the ocean surface and reach submerged submarines anywhere in the world. So far, eight of the E-6s have been delivered.

Including these aircraft, 132 various model 707s and 720s have been ordered for non-commercial use, including governmental missions such as Airborne Warning and Control System, cargo airplanes, troop carriers and airborne refuelers, or for VIP transports. As of today, 111 have been delivered.

Production of commercial versions of the Boeing 707 reached 878 aircraft.

The smaller version of the 707, the -100 series, was the first jetliner to have true trans-Atlantic range. With it, Pan American World Airways inaugurated the first regularly scheduled jetliner service between the United States and Europe beginning Oct. 26, 1958. While the British Comet had been flying in Europe and Africa since 1952, it did not have enough range to make scheduled trans-Atlantic crossings. This series of the Boeing aircraft, which included the -120, -120B, and -220, totalled 146 airplanes.

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NEW HYDE PARK, N.Y. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - G.L. Hodson & Son, Inc. announced today that Michael E. Rothpletz, executive vice president and Eastern Region manager of GLH, has been given additional responsibilities as head of the Large Account Resources Division, a newly formed unit within the region. As such, Rothpletz will have direct responsibility and control over a team of professionals dedicated to the servicing of large accounts and the development of new business from both existing large clients and new clients. Rothpletz continues to report to Stephen A. Crane, president and chief executive officer of G.L. Hodson.

In making the announcement, Crane stated, "The formation of this new unit, and Mike Rothpletz's appointment to supervise its activities, are a reflection of the increasing importance of technical resources and value-added services in the reinsurance intermediary business today. The large account team will be responsible for accessing all resources available to GLH, and no one is more qualified to spearhead this effort than Mike Rothpletz. His years of experience in the stewardship of GLH's important clients will serve us well, indeed", Mr. Crane concluded.

G.L. Hodson & Son, one of the ten largest reinsurance intermediaries in the U.S., was founded in 1924 and was acquired by Corroon & Black Corporation (NYSE: CBL) in 1970. GLH is headquartered in New Hyde Park, New York, and has branch offices in Atlanta, Boston, Burlington, N.C., Los Angeles, Minneapolis, and San Francisco. GLH is primarily a treaty broker but provides facultative reinsurance services through several of its offices.

CONTACT: Stephen A. Crane president and CEO of G.L. Hodson & Son, 516-365-9000

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#90254p3399 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - In a move to further diversify its integrated solid waste management services, Republic Waste Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: RWIN) has acquired Living Earth Technology Inc., of Houston. Living Earth, which produces and markets a wide range of soil mixes and mulches to landscapers and wholesale nurseries, recently acquired Humusoil Enterprises, a Houston company that has been recycling yard wastes into compost for nine years.

James D. Lee, president of Republic Waste, said his company considers this

to be a significant acquisition: "We see Living Earth's composting technology as an important and highly promising form of alternate disposal that can significantly reduce municipal solid waste streams. Estimates are that 20 to 25 percent of residential waste consists of grass, leaves and shrub clippings. By diverting this component into a recycling program, cities can greatly reduce the burden on their landfills, while gaining access to an environmentally sound product in the compost."

According to Bruce Thornton, president of Living Earth Technology, clippings are ideal for recycling: "Yard waste makes excellent compost, in terms of moisture content, nutrients and soil mechanics. If proper techniques are used, the wastes can be converted to compost in about 60 days. Not only does composting convert yard waste into a valuable product, the compost itself promotes vigorous plant growth, reducing the need for fertilizer and the resulting water pollution from fertilizer run-off."

Thirteen states have already banned yard waste from public land- fills, and Republic believes there is a significant need for yard waste recycling. Republic plans to evaluate the feasibility of a Living Earth/Humusoil composting operation at each of its current landfills and at all landfills it acquires in the future.

Republic Waste Industries Inc., is a Houston-based company specializing in collection, processing and disposal of solid waste. Republic focuses on providing long-term, integrated solutions to municipal and industrial nonhazardous waste problems. The company's common stock is traded over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol RWIN.

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#90254p3408 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Exciting fall fashions that capture the spirit of French style, unaffected sophistication and a sense of self-confidence are seen in a national print advertising campaign introduced by Express for its Compagnie Internationale Express brand. The ads mark the first national advertising campaign for the dynamic and fast-growing division of The Limited, Inc., one of the most successful specialty retail companies in the country.

Introduced this fall in the September 30 issue of The New York Times' "Fashions of the Times" and October issues of Elle, Glamour, Vogue, and Vanity Fair, the Express campaign targets the contemporary, spirited and fashion-forward woman who is self-assured and intelligent. The ads appear as two- or eight-page inserts and are set in the romantic countryside in the South of France.

According to Michael Weiss, president of Express, "Our ads reach out to women who want their fashions to reflect the sexy, chic and stylish European looks. Our customers are distinctive and everything we do is geared towards them. They're spirited, modern, up-to-the-minute, and they trust their taste. It's through fashion that they present themselves to the world."

The Express campain? was created by Tarlow Advertising, a young company led by Dick Tarlow who is known for his strategic and creative image advertising. Named "Agency of the Year" in the eastern U.S. by AdWeek in 1989, Tarlow has also created advertising for Revlon, Henri Bendel, Gorham china and silver, Revo sunglasses and Victoria's Secret.

One of the strategies for the Express campaign was to capture and enhance the sophisticated and chic image of the company's extremely successful brand, Compagnie Internationale Express. "Express, the company and the store, is about a brand of exciting and authentic international fashions for today's modern woman. The ad captures not only the beauty and sophistication of the Compagnie Internationale Express brand but the spirit and confidence of the woman who wears it," said Weiss.

The distinctive and soulful images featured in the ad were taken by British photographer Richard Dunkley in Provence, France, which was chosen for its spectacular landscape. Dunkley's fashion photographs have graced the pages of Vogue, Elle, Lears, Esquire and The New York Times.

In keeping with Express' international focus, the five models featured in the ads represent countries around the world. They include Estelle from France, Jade from Denmark, Daniela from Czechoslovakia, Therese from France and Michaela from Israel.

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#90254p3409 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - At its regular meeting today, Fluor Corp.'s (NYSE: FLR) board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of 6 cents per share on the company's common stock, payable Oct. 16, 1990, to holders of record at the close of business on Sept. 25, 1990.

Fluor Corp. is an international engineering, construction and technical services company with investments in coal and lead.

CONTACT: Deborah Land (media), 714-975-3971, or Lila Churney (investors) 714-975-3909, both of Fluor Corp.

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#90254p3410 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSING, MICH. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - When a hailstorm ripped through metropolitan Denver this summer, over 130,000 vehicles were damaged. But owners of Oldsmobile's new plastic-bodied minivans -- the Silhouette -- were far luckier than most.

Silhouette's composite exterior body panels not only are corrosion-resistant, but withstand parking-lot dings and other damage such as that caused by golf-ball-sized hail.

The storm, believed to be the most costly hailstorm in U.S. history, caused over $625 million in damage, but at Emich Oldsmobile-Subaru on the hard-hit south end of Denver, Oldsmobile Silhouette minivans remained undamaged while competing vehicles all around them sustained heavy damage.

"One of the competing vehicles sitting right next to the Silhouette was really messed up, while the Silhouette came through without so much as a dent or even a crack in the windshield," said General Manager Larry Junker.

The only Silhouette known to have sustained damage was a courtesy vehicle owned by Empire Oldsmobile on the east side of town which got caught on the road at the height of the storm. But while vehicles all around it sustained heavy body and glass damage, Empire's Silhouette suffered only two broken taillights, a slightly torn tape stripe on the side of the van, and a few dents to the metal molding around the windshield.

The day after the storm, most body shops in the Denver area had waiting lists of nearly three months to repair storm-damaged vehicles. "Silhouette owners should have felt pretty good," added Emich Oldsmobile's Junker.

The secret to Silhouette's durability are specially designed sheet molded compound (SMC) composite exterior body panels. Silhouette's larger exterior panels are a homogeneous mixture of resin, chopped fiberglass, and filler material which are pressed at high temperatures and then secured to a steel space frame with nearly 2,000 linear inches of adhesive.

The remainder of Silhouette's body panels -- specifically front fenders and front and rear fascias -- are made in a somewhat different manner called reinforced reaction injection molding (RRIM). Two liquids and mineral reinforcement material are injected into a precise mold where they react and harden to form a finished component.

The result of these two processes is an exterior skin that not only is corrosion resistant, but one that also resists normal parking-lot dings and dents and hailstorm damage.

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#90254p3413 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Harry R. Thompson, chairman of Telesphere Communications Inc. (AMEX: TSP), today announced that The Chase Manhattan Bank has agreed to a $120-million underwriting to complete the acquisition of National Telephone Services Inc. of Rockville, Md. The commitment letter, which is subject to standard conditions, provides for both term and revolving credit financing.

National Telephone Services is a leading provider of operator services to hotels, hospitals and pay phones. The acquisition is expected to add approximately $200,000,000 annually to Telesphere's gross revenues.

"The acquisition of NTS will almost double our revenue base, making Telesphere the fourth largest long distance company in the United States," noted Thompson. "We believe this underwriting by one of the best recognized financial institutions in the United States confirms our view of Telesphere's unique strategic position in the telecommunications industry."

Telesphere Communications Inc. operates a nationwide, state-of the- art, digital fiber optic network over which it provides long distance, operator interactive 900 and other enhanced telecommunications services.

The company's common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Eugene Ruiz, executive VP., or Scott L. Drake, chief financial officer, both of Telesphere Communications, 708-954-7700

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#90254p3416 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Searle today announced agreement with the state of California to provide brand-name prescription medications to Medicaid patients in that state at reduced cost. Some of the Searle products have not previously been available without prior authorization to patients who rely on the state-supported aid program for healthcare.

The agreement makes certain Searle products available at a reduced negotiated price to the California Medicaid agency known as Medi-Cal and enables the state to provide several important new prescription medicines to Medi-Cal participants.

Searle corporate senior vice president and president, North American

operations, Dr. Joseph T. Curti said, "We are satisfied that this agreement continues Searle's longstanding commitment to those in need. Searle has made prescription medicines available to the indigent who do not qualify for Medicaid since 1987 and now those patients who do quality for Medicaid in California will have access to the same Searle therapeutics."

Included in the Searle-California agreement are four Searle products not previously available without prior authorization: Calan(R) SR 180 mg (verapamil), Cytotec(R) (misoprostol), Kerlone(R) (betaxolol) and Demulen(R) 1/35 (ethynodiol diacetate with ethinyl estradiol). The Medi-Cal program already includes Searle's Calan(R) SR 240 mg, Theo-24(R) (theophylline) and Demulen 1/50.

While the Searle/Medi-Cal agreement was developed to benefit Medicaid patients, Searle has a history of social responsibility. Through the Patients In Need(R) program, the company makes all its potentially life-saving products available at no cost to those who do not qualify for Medicaid or other third-party assistance and who cannot pay for their medicines. Patients In Need, begun in 1987, was the first in a series of socially responsible programs from Searle which now includes the Patient Promise(R) refund program for any Searle product which in a doctor's view does not achieve its desired therapeutic benefit and Patients In The Know(TM) which provides easy to read information for patients about their Searle medications.

Searle is a research-based developer, manufacturer and marketer of prescription pharmaceuticals worldwide. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of Monsanto Co. (NYSE: MTC).

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#90254p3417 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOWELL, N.J. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Valley Corp. (AMEX: UVC) today announced the closing of an $89 million credit agreement with its lead lender, First Fidelity Bank, Newark, N.J.

The lending agreement assures the company of continued financing for its core homebuilding business.

With its financing now completed, Union Valley Corp.'s Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Herbert E. Wishnick said the company can now focus all of its energies on projects currently under way in several markets.

In New Jersey, the company is currently developing Whittingham, an 1,800

unit, pre-retirement community of townhouses and single family designs located in Monroe Township, N.J. This development features a $5 million, 29,000-square-foot Town Centre Clubhouse, a complete health spa, indoor and outdoor pools, jogging track and five tennis courts. A golf course is under construction.

Concordia is a 1,700 unit pre-retirement lifestyle community that is almost fully occupied and which is located in Monroe Township, N.J., and includes a completed 18-hole golf course, magnificent clubhouse along with indoor and outdoor pools, tennis courts and other amenities. In Jackson Township, N.J., Union Valley is just completing the sellout of 1,086 entry level homes at 60 Acre Reserve.

The scope of Union Valley Corp.'s ongoing development in the Garden State includes Winding Ways, a retirement community in Jackson, N.J.; Francis Mills, an upscale community of single family homes on one acre or larger lots located in Jackson, and Pine Ridge South, an adult community of manufactured homes located in Whiting, N.J. Current building in New Jersey also includes Whiting Station, another lifestyle retirement community in Manchester Township. In addition, the company is developing ongoing projects in both Pennsylvania and Delaware.

In more than 27 years, Union Valley Corp. has developed more than 12,000 homes in New Jersey alone and each of these communities have been expressly designed for a particular segment of the market, whether for first time homebuyers, adult communities, or for retirees. Its successful development of Crestwood Village in Manchester Township of 8,000 units was one of New Jersey's first retirement communities and established Union Valley Corp. as a leader in retirement lifestyle housing.

CONTACT: Gene K. Kolber, president of Gene K. Kolber Advertising, 215-657-4600, for Union Valley Corp., or Ross Wishnick, executive vice-president, or Richard Anderson, chief financial officer of Union Valley Corp., 201-905-9000

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#90254p3419 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CONN. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Aetna Financial Services, Inc., through Aetna Investment Management (Japan) K.K., is participating in an advisory agreement with Daiwa Investment Trust (DIT) in Tokyo for the first yen-based retail funds invested in U.S. mortgage-backed securities.

Since June, three funds totaling 105 billion yen, or approximately $700 million, have been marketed in Japan. Collectively known as the Jumbo Alpha series, each of the funds has a three-year term. A fourth fund is currently being marketed.

The DIT funds invest in mortgage-backed, or pass-through, securities issued by U.S. government agencies. Japanese investors are attracted to U.S. agency mortgage-backed securities because their yields are higher, in yen terms, than fixed-income securities in Japan, and because these securities carry either the direct backing of the U.S. government or that of U.S. government agencies.

"The needs of Japanese investors, whether institutional or retail, have become increasingly global and sophisticated," said Gary G. Benanav, president of Aetna International, Inc. "Daiwa recognized Aetna's expertise in developing and managing mortgage-backed investment strategies and tapped this resource for its clients."

Using its Hartford-based bond investment unit, Aetna Financial recommends securities for the fund to assist DIT in producing a stable return for its clients.

"Mortgage pass-throughs offer tremendous opportunity, but unless carefully monitored, they can produce volatile returns," said Stuart Reese, vice president of Aetna Bond Investors. "We'll continually evaluate all the securities for DIT to ensure that our advice balances risk and return." Approximately $6 billion of Aetna's $19 billion public bond portfolio is invested in mortgage pass-throughs.

Aetna's network of international financial services includes operations in Japan, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Australia, the United Kingdom and Canada.

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#90254p3426 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON, (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Colonial InterMarket Income Trust I (NYSE: CMK), and Colonial Municipal Income Trust (NYSE: CMU), both closed-end investment companies, today released earnings and dividends for the quarter ending Aug. 31, 1990. The results are as follows:

COLONIAL INTERMARKET INCOME TRUST I
THIRD QUARTER EARNINGS
Third Quarter Ending
Aug. 31, 1990

	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$3,350	32 cents
Dividends	(3,468)	(33 cents)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	723	6 cents
Increase in net asset value	605	5 cents
Net asset value:		

Beginning	119,106	10.82
End	$119,711	$10.87
Market price at end of the quarter	---	$10.000

FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE THROUGH AUG. 31, 1990

	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$10,661	98 cents
Dividends	(11,394)	(1.05)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(3,492)	(32 cents)
Decrease in net asset value	(4,225)	(39 cents)
Net asset value:		
Beginning	123,936	11.26
End	$119,711	$10.87
Market price at end of the period	---	$9.750

COLONIAL MUNICIPAL INCOME TRUST
THIRD QUARTER EARNINGS

Third Quarter Ending
Aug. 31, 1990

	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$5,313	20 cents
Dividends	(4,791)	(18 cents)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(1,488)	(6 cents)
Decrease in net asset value from operations	(966)	(4 cents)
Value of shares issed for reinvested dividends	332	N/A
Net asset value:		
Beginning	222,499	8.37
End	$221,865	$8.33
Market price at end of the quarter	---	$8.500

3rd Quarter Ending
Aug. 31, 1989

	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$4,803	18 cents
Dividends	(5,073)	(19 cents)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(6,710)	(26 cents)
Decrease in net asset value from operations	(6,980)	(27 cents)
Value of shares issued for reinvested dividends	499	N/A

Net asset value:		
Beginning	236,864	8.98
End	$230,383	$8.71
Market price at end of the quarter	---	$9.875

	FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE THROUGH AUG. 31, 1990	
	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$14,964	56 cents
Dividends	(14,351)	(54 cents)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(9,115)	(34 cents)
Decrease in net asset value from operatons	(8,502)	(32 cents)
Value of shares issued for reinvested dividiends	1,158	N/A
Net asset value:		
Beginning	229,209	8.65
End	$221,865	$8.33
Market price at end of the period	---	$8.500

	FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE THROUGH AUG. 31, 1989	
	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$15,252	58 cents
Dividends	(15,499)	(59 cents)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(6,914)	(26 cents)
Decrease in net asset value from operations	(7,161)	(27 cents)
Value of shares issued for reinvested dividends	1,681	N/A
Net asset value:		
Beginning	235,863	8.98
End	$230,383	$8.71
Market price at end of the period	---	$9.875

CONTACT: Rich Silver of The Colonial Group, 617-426-3750

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#90254p3428 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - JG Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: JGIN), announced today a net loss of $950,000 for its second quarter ended July 28, 1990, as compared with a net loss of $1,411,000 in the prior year. The loss applicable to common stock (after the impact of preferred stock dividends) was $.21 per share in the current year and $.24 per share in

the prior year. Comparable store sales increased 8.3 percent in the second quarter, as total sales were $48,727,000 as compared with $68,133,000 in the prior year. Stores which were sold or closed accounted for this decline.

The current year to date net loss of $1,082,000 represents a significant improvement over the prior year net loss of $3,364,000. The net loss applicable to common stock was $.29 per share in the current year and $.57 per share in the prior year. Year to date net sales declined to $97,665,000 in the current year from $126,552,000 in the prior year, while comparable stores sales increased 7.8 percent.

JG Industries Inc. is a Chicago-based retailing concern that operates through its various subsidiaries, 11 Goldblatt's department stores in Illinois and Indiana, ten Huffman Koos furniture stores in New Jersey and New York and 137 specialty retail shoe stores nationally.

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#90254p3429 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT.10) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines today reported that its August traffic rose three-tenths of a percent versus August 1989. Continental's 69.2 percent August load factor was based on 4.1 billion revenue passenger miles (RPMs) and 5.9 billion available seat miles (ASMs).

Year-to-date, Continental's load factor is 61.8 percent, which is comparable to the 1989 level. In the January-August period, Continental flew 26.7 billion RPMs and 43.2 billion ASMs.

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES
Preliminary Systemwide Traffic Results

	AUGUST		
	1990	1989	Change
RPMs (000)	4,109,314	4,096,409	+ 0.3 percent
ASMs (000)	5,935,713	5,726,752	+ 3.6 percent
Load Factor	69.2 percent	71.5 percent	- 2.3 points
	YEAR-TO-DATE		
	1990	1989	Change
RPMs (000)	26,673,728	26,580,295	+ 0.4 percent
ASMs (000)	43,163,649	42,971,931	+ 0.4 percent
Load Factor	61.8 percent	61.9 percent	- 0.1 points

CONTACT: Corporate Communications, Continental Airlines, 713-834-5080

-30- 1359

#90254p3430 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - BSN Corp. (AMEX: BSN) today announced that its gross revenues for August set a single monthly record reaching $10.3 million establishing the third consecutive month that gross revenues reached the $10 million level. Mike Blumenfeld, BSN president, stated that "BSN's primary business segments continue to benefit by the economic slowdown in the U.S. New customer growth rate is now exceeding 1,000 accounts each month. It now appears that operating cash flows will exceed $3.5 million for the third quarter ending Sept. 30."

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#90254p3431 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH, (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald R. Keough, 63, has been elected to the board of directors of H.J. Heinz Co. (NYSE: HNZ), it was announced today.

Keough is president, chief operating officer and a director of The Coca-Cola Company (NYSE: KO). In addition, he is chairman of the board of Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc. (NYSE: CCE), the world's largest bottling system.

Keough's tenure with Coca-Cola dates to 1950. He held various positions prior to being named president of the company's food division in 1971. Subsequently, he held the office of the president of Coca-Cola USA and later was given responsibility for the company's business in North and South America.

He was elected president, chief operating officer and a director of the Coca-Cola Company in 1981. Keough was elected chairman of the board of Coca-Cola Enterprises in 1986.

He serves on the boards of National Service Industries Inc. (NYSE: NSI) and the Washington Post and is chairman of the board of trustees of the University of Notre Dame. Additionally, he serves on the boards of various other educational, charitable and civic organizations.

Keough has received various honors, including honorary doctorates from the University of Notre Dame and his alma mater, Creighton University.

CONTACT: L. Michael Kelly, Jr., 412-456-3840, or John E. Kennedy, 412-456-3586, both of Ketchum Public Relations, for H.J. Heinz Co.; or D. Edward I. Smyth, 412-456-5780, or Debora S. Foster, 412-456-5778, both of H.J. Heinz Co.

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#90254p3433 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The chairman of H.J. Heinz Co. (NYSE: HNZ) told shareholders at today's annual meeting in Pittsburgh that "constant regeneration" through Total Quality Management (TQM) would give Heinz the means to extend indefinitely its 26-year string of continuous financial growth.

"The measure of our success to date gives us confidence that our basic strategies are correct," said Dr. Anthony J.F. O'Reilly, Heinz chairman, president and chief executive officer. "You can be assured that Heinz management will continue to strive to enhance the quality of your company and the value of your investment."

O'Reilly pointed to a number of indicators that demonstrated the depth and degree of Heinz's fiscal performance. The most recent was the company's announcement yesterday that it had scored increases of 7.4 percent in sales, 13.2 percent in net income and 12.5 percent in earnings per share for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, compared with the same period last year.

This is consistent with the company's long-term record, particularly during the most recent five-year period. Heinz sales in fiscal 1990 passed the $6 billion mark for the first time.

The success of the Pittsburgh-based food processor has been reflected in its shareholder return, O'Reilly noted. He informed his audience that the board of directors had authorized an increase in the quarterly dividend from 21 cents to 24 cents per share. This represents an increase of 14 percent and an indicated annual dividend of 96 cents per share. Over the past five-year period, split-adjusted per-share dividends have more than doubled.

"The increasing stream of dividends has been a significant component of the total return to Heinz shareholders," Heinz's chairman stated. "Reinvesting dividends from the beginning of fiscal 1981 has produced a total return of 1,221 percent, equivalent to a 29.5 percent compounded annual rate of return. The total return during the same period for ths Standard and Poor's 400 was 16.8 percent."

O'Reilly also took the occasion to welcome the newest member of Heinz's board of directors, Donald R. Keough, who was elected today. Keough is president, chief operating officer and a director of The Coca-Cola Company (NYSE: KO). In addition, he is chairman of the board of Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc. (NYSE: CCE), the world's largest bottling system.

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Edward I. Smyth, 412-456-5780, or Debora S. Foster, 412-456-5778, both of H.J. Heinz Co.

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#90254p3434 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA, (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Geotek Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: GOTK) today declared a cash dividend of $.25 per share on its Series A $2.50 cumulative preferred convertible stock. The dividend will be paid Sept. 12, 1990 to stockholders of record of the preferred stock on July 16 1990.

Geotek manufactures a variety of products for the computer and telecommunication industries including high quality transformers and power supplies. The company also manufactures sophisticated electronic fuzes for munitions and other mechanical defense articles.

CONTACT: Yaron Eitan, president and CEO, Yoram Bibring, CFO, or Jerrold Levy, treasurer, 215-563-0310, of Geotek Industries, or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe, of Wolfe Lombard, Inc., 212-545-8400, for Geotek

-30- 949

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STAMFORD, CONN. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Crompton & Knowles Corporation (NYSE: CNK) today announced that it has completed the acquisition, in cash of the business and certain assets of Atlantic Industries, Inc., a producer of dyes for the textile and paper industries, with continuing sales of approximately $55 million.

"The acquisition broadens our company's existing specialty dyes business in the textile and paper markets, and provides a basis for our continued growth in the business," said Vincent A. Calarco, the company's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Crompton & Knowles is a leading U.S. producer of dyes, specialty ingredients for food and pharmaceuticals, and extrusion equipment for the plastics industry. For the first half of 1990 Crompton & Knowles earned $15.7 million, or 64 cents a share, on sales of $192.7 million. Late last month the company also announced that it expected 1990 earnings to reach a record $1.20 per share, meeting analyst estimates of a 20 percent increase over prior year results of $1.00 per share. The per share figures reflect a two-for-one stock split effective Aug. 24, 1990.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Jim Vincent, Biogen chairman and chief executive officer, announced today the appointment of Kenneth M. Bate to the position of vice president, finance and chief financial officer of Biogen (NASDAQ: BGEN).

Bate joins Biogen from Peter Kiewit Sons, Inc., an Omaha-based diversified corporation where he had been vice president-treasurer since 1986. From 1978 through 1985, Bate held increasingly responsible financial management positions with The Continental Group, Inc. The Continental Group was acquired by Kiewit in 1984.

Previously, Bate worked for International Paper Company and the Lehigh Portland Cement Company in various planning and financial positions. He received his B.A. in chemistry from Williams College in 1973 and his M.B.A. in finance from the Wharton Graduate School, University of Pennsylvania in 1976.

Jim Vincent commented, "Ken's outstanding track record positions him well to be one of the key members of the Biogen senior management team."

Bate is married with two children. He and his family are currently relocating to the Boston area from Greenwich, Conn.

Biogen is a leading biotechnology company principally engaged in developing genetically engineered pharmaceuticals. As a result of its early research, Biogen now derives revenues from five products being sold by its licensees in various countries. Biogen currently directs its research and development into areas where the company has particular strength -- AIDS, cardiovascular, inflammation and selected cancers.

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RIVER EDGE, N.J. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Huffman Koos, Inc. (NASDAQ: HUFK), a leading furniture retailer, today reported net sales for the second quarter ended July 31, 1990 of $19.8 million versus $18.4 million for the second quarter last year. The company posted a net loss of $487,000, or $.12 per share, as compared to a net loss of $1,418,000, or $.35 per share, in the prior year.

For the six months ended July 31, 1990, net sales totaled $38.9 million versus $36.3 million in the same period last year. The company reported a net loss of $459,000, which is equivalent to $.11 per share, compared with a net loss of $2,297,000 or $.57 per share for the six months ended

July 31, 1989.

Huffman Koos Inc. is a full service retailer of high quality furniture and accessories which presently operates eight stores in New Jersey, one in Rockland County, N.Y., and one store in Carle Place, N.Y.

CONTACT: Joseph Albanese of Huffman Koos, 201-343-4300

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MELVILLE, N.Y. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Genovese Drug Stores, Inc. (AMEX: GDXA), a chain of 93 super drug stores with locations in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, today announced that its board of directors declared a $.06 per share regular cash dividend payable on Oct. 15, 1990, to holders of record Sept. 28, 1990.

CONTACT: Jerome Stengel, vice president and treasurer of Genovese Drug Stores, 516-420-1900

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#90254p3448 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - This morning, Federal District Court Chief Judge Sherman Finesilver in Denver approved the final settlement of a securities class action law suit that had been pending since October 1984, against former officers and directors of Storage Technology Corp. (StorageTek).

The suit charged the officers and directors with having made false and misleading statements concerning StorageTek and its products from June 1982 through October 1984, when StorageTek filed a petition in bankruptcy. The settlement comprises $6.3 million in cash and 377,580 shares of StorageTek stock. At the time of preliminary approval of the settlement, the settlement consideration had an aggregate value of more than $18 million. Nicholas E. Chimicles, of Greenfield & Chimicles in Haverford, Pa., lead counsel for the class, stated that more than 70,000 notices were sent to class members and no objections to the settlement were lodged. Class members, who previously had the opportunity to file proofs of claim, will receive a significant amount of their losses from the settlement fund according to Chimicles. StorageTek, which emerged from bankruptcy in 1987 under new management, is not impacted by the settlement.

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LAKE HAMILTON, FLA. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Orange-co, Inc. (NYSE: OJ) announced today that it had signed an agreement to sell for cash a citrus grove totaling about 560 acres in St. Lucie County, Fla. The price will not be disclosed at this time. A closing is expected in October.

This transaction is incremental to the sales completed in August of two citrus groves encompassing 2,200 acres also located in St. Lucie County. Proceeds from those two transactions totaled $27.6 million. All profits from these three transactions will be fully sheltered by the company's tax loss carryforward position that approximates $60 million. These three transactions represent only about 18 percent of the company's book value and approximately 60 percent of the company's present market capitalization.

This transaction represents a continuation of the restructuring plan announced in April by Ron Divin, Orange-co's chief executive officer, which encompasses the sale of approximately 22 percent of the company's Florida real estate and other assets in order to improve its profitability cash flow, balance sheet and return on assets. The restructuring plan will allow the company to improve the productivity of its remaining 17,600 acres of citrus groves, more effectively pursue its institutional beverage company business plan and ultimately pursue diversification within the agribusiness/food complex.

Robert Peiser, Orange-co's chief financial officer, noted that the company's balance sheet has already been strengthened considerably by the groves that were sold in August. This latest transaction, when complete, will result in additional reduction of debt and further balance sheet improvement.

CONTACT: Robert A. Peiser of Orange-co, Inc., 313-540-9040

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EDISON, NJ (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Midlantic National Bank today announced the introduction of an innovative, state-of-the-art data and information system that will enable the bank to provide enhanced service to its corporate and governmental trust clients as well as significantly quicker response to customer inquiries. The announcement was made by James B. Wynsma, executive vice president, trust and financial management, Midlantic National Bank.

The stock transfer computer system -- called CIC/DISC -- provides capabilities for Midlantic that do not exist within any system at any New Jersey bank, according to Wynsma.

"Our new CIC/DISC computer is a technologically advanced system that

provides us increased flexibility and efficiency and, thus, a superior level of service for customers of our shareholder and bondholder services " Wynsma said.

The new computer combines into one network data and functions that previously were performed by several systems.

Among some of the new CIC/DISC system's capabilities are: -- Automated and integrated transaction and item control that enables on-line tracking, control and reporting status;

-- Automated monthly reports showing turnaround, volumes and postage used for mail items;

-- Daily audit reports of all transactions; -- On-line certificate validation and balancing of debits and credits; -- Distribution and reinvestment system with on-line availability of a stockholder's entire history;

-- Fully integrated check reconciliation function; -- Complete proxy system; and -- On-line inquiries displaying: account status, record date holdings, certificate detail and status, debits and credits by window ticket, issue control information, certificate inventory status, reinvestment history.

"At Midlantic, we pride ourselves on providing first-rate trust service for corporations and governmental agencies," O'Connell said. "Our new CIC/DISC system reinforces our firm commitment to providing the best service possible to every corporate trust customer."

Midlantic National Bank is the lead bank of Midlantic Corporation (NASDAQ: MIDL), a $24 billion interstate bank holding company headquartered in Edison, N.J.

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#90254p3463 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) today announced its board of directors has elected Robert L. Wehling, currently vice president-marketing services, to the position of vice president-public affairs, effective Oct. 1, 1990.

Wehling will succeed Gerald S. Gendell who has announced his planned retirement on March 1, 1991, after 36 years of service. Gendell has served as Procter & Gamble's senior public affairs executive since 1981.

Gendell is also president and trustee of The Procter & Gamble Fund, P&G's philanthropic foundation. Wehling will also succeed him in this position.

Wehling, a native of Chicago, graduated from Denison University. He joined the company in 1960 and held positions of increasing responsibility in advertising before being named division manager, general advertising, in 1977. He was elected vice president-marketing services in 1988.

Gendell was born in Stamford, Ct., and is a graduate of New York University. He joined the company in 1954 as an advertising brand assistant, and held a variety of positions of increasing responsibility in advertising before being appointed manager, external affairs division in 1980. He was named to his current position in 1981.

Both Wehling and Gendell are very active in national and local community affairs. Wehling is campaign director for the Advertising Council, currently serves on the executive committee of the Cincinnati Youth Collaborative, and is a trustee and executive committee member of the Cincinnati Community Chest. He has previously served as president of the Greater Cincinnati March of Dimes and the board of trustees of the Joy Resident Education Center.

Gendell is the immediate past chairman of the Washington-based Public Affairs Council, trustee of the Foundation for Public Affairs, trustee of the Joint Council on Economic Education, vice chairman of the board of trustees of The Jewish Hospital, a member of the board of overseers of Hebrew Union College and on the board of governors of the Bankers Club. He served for six years as vice chairman of the Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, and for four years headed the chamber's Blue Chip City Campaign for Economic Development.

CONTACT: Patrick J. Hayes, 513-983-3559; or Sydney L. McHugh, 513-983-4185; both of The Procter & Gamble Company

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#90254p3464 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE, (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Following is the R.O.C. Taiwan Fund (NYSE: ROC) monthly update:

Overview -- the Taiwan Market: As the oldest and largest mutual fund specifically set up for international investment in the Taiwan stock market, the R.O.C. Taiwan Fund offers a convenient and efficient way to participate in one of the strongest markets in the world.

The Taiwan Stock Exchange (TSE) index rose from 549.55 at the beginning of 1980 to 9624.18 by the end of 1989. During the same period, listed

companies expanded from 96 to 181 as market capitalization increased from $5 billion to $236 billion.

Market Environment -- August 1990: The Taiwan Stock Exchange index declined 35.3 percent in August, the steepest drop since the 38.9 percent fall in October 1987. After the 2.7 percent rise in the index to the month's high of 5,771 on Aug. 1, the Middle East crisis then sent the market into a sharp 45.7 percent decline to the month's low of 3,136 on Aug. 24. Gains on four of the last five trading sessions raised the index to 3,635 at month-end. The market was at its most volatile in August. Records were set for single- day rise (6.76 percent) and fall (-6.80 percent) as almost all shares on each occasion reached the daily +/-7 percent limit. In addition, the daily change in the index exceeded 5 percent on 14 of 26 trading sessions. Average daily turnover of about $1.4 billion was down for the sixth consecutive month.

The Middle East crisis was the main concern weighing on investors. The government also revised its economic growth forecast downward from 7.2 percent to 5.2 percent for the year. This would be the lowest growth rate since 1982, when the economy expanded 4.1 percent. The lowered forecast, although issued following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, was influenced by factors that were present before the Middle East crisis. These include the plunging stock market, flat export growth and weak investment. The government is now forecasting that private investment will decline in real terms by 5.5 percent this year.

CONTACT: First Boston Corp., 212-909-2000

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#90254p3466 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHEELING, W.VA. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Members of the United Steelworkers of America (USW) employed by Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp. (NYSE: QWHX) today ratified a new, four-year contract that restores past sacrifices and provides a package of new wage and benefit improvements.

The vote, conducted by secret mail ballot, was 4,615 to approve; 329 to reject. The ballots were counted by officers and members of the 13 USW Local Unions at Wheeling-Pittsburgh sites in Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia.

The contract covers approximately 5,500 workers. The contract runs through March 1, 1994. It becomes effective upon confirmation of a plan of reorganization for the company, which has been operating under protection of the bankruptcy laws since April 15, 1985.

Jim Bowen, director of USW District 23 and secretary of the union's negotiating committee, said the agreement rewards the workers for the

financial sacrifices and other contributions they made over the past eight years to keep Wheeling-Pittsburgh operating.

"Approval of this contract by our members, the union's International Executive Board and Wheeling-Pitt's board of directors clears the way for the company to come out of bankruptcy," Bowen said. "Now it's up to the bankruptcy court to end this five-and-a-half year marathon and approve the reorganization so our members can concentrate on what they do best -- make steel -- without any clouds hanging over their heads.

"The workers nearly single-handedly lifted this company from the brink of liquidation to prosperity, and they deserve every benefit this contract provides them.

"We're looking forward to continued growth and prosperity for our members, the company and our communities. We've demonstrated our commitment to make this a profitable arrangment for all concerned, and we will continue to do so."

CONTACT: Jim Bowen of USW, 304-242-6544, or the USW Communications Department, 412-562-2442

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#90254p3468 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - On Sept. 15, Scandinavian Airlines System (SAS) and Continental Cargo will launch the eastbound Priority Cargo express service from more than 90 U.S. cities to 60 Scandinavian and European destinations.

Boasting a 96 percent on-time delivery rate on its westbound service, Priority Cargo is the most dependable express service available offering next day or second-day airport delivery from the United States to Scandinavia and Europe. The only express service that offers a full money-back guarantee, Priority Cargo promises on-time delivery or a complete refund. SAS and Continental also have developed an exclusive Quick Transfer Service in Newark, N.J., and Copenhagen, Denmark, that provides complete plane-to-plane cargo transfers in less than an hour.

SAS and Continental Cargo initially joined forces in 1989 with the introduction of the westbound Priority Cargo product to the U.S. interior. The westbound product has successfully express-shipped thousands of kilos of cargo from Scandinavia and Europe to the United States.

"We are delighted to announce the expansion of this product," said Per-Johan Orrby, vice president and general manager of SAS Cargo, in a news conference earlier today. "Our westbound product continues to be the best cargo product from Scandinavia to the U.S.; the eastbound product

will match it. We have undergone four months of extensive testing to ensure that the product we offer customers meets the toughest operational standards in the industry."

Orrby and Walt Atkinson, vice president of Continental Airlines Cargo Division, concurred that neither carrier would be satisfied with less than 100 percent compliance to the quality standards.

"Both SAS and Continental have strong quality standards procedures in place to ensure that the eastbound Priority Cargo product, like the westbound, is the best express service offered today," Orrby said.

In the joint presentation, Atkinson pointed out the competitive advantages of Priority Cargo.

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#90254p3472 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, S.C. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Carolina First Corporation (NASDAQ: CAFC) announced today that its Board of Directors approved a five percent stock dividend. This dividend, the second that Carolina First has done will be paid on October 1, 1990 to stockholders of record of September 21, 1990.

Mack I. Whittle, Jr., President of Carolina First, stated, "We are pleased to give our stockholders this dividend. It is due to the loyalty and support of the stockholders of both Carolina First and First Federal that the combined company has the ability to offer this return on their investment."

President Whittle went on to say, "Not only does a stock dividend provide a return to the stockholder on their investment, but the company keeps the capital. We feel that it is very important to retain as much capital as possible.

The retained capital can be used for growth and to make further investments in our communities."

Carolina First Corporation is the parent company of Carolina First Bank, a state-chartered bank, headquartered in Greenville, and of First Federal Savings and Loan of Georgetown. Both are full-service, community-oriented financial institutions offering a broad range of commercial and consumer banking services emphasizing personalized attention to customers. The Company operates, through its subsidiaries, four offices in Greenville County and five in Georgetown County. The

Company was organized in 1986 following an October initial public offering of stock. Through this offering, $15 million in Capital was raised, earning Carolina First the distinction of being the largest bank holding company created in South Carolina.

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#90254p3473 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Gateway Communications (NASDAQ: GWAY) announced that it will be demonstrating the new data compression and high speed file transfer software modules, which were recently added to its popular G/Remote Bridge family of IPX routers, here at Networld Dallas '90 (Booth 1646).

With the new data compression and file transfer features, G/Remote Bridge provides local area network users with substantially increased throughput performance when accessing remote network information.

The new Data Compression Module (DCM) improves user response time in real-time interactive application-dependent operations by condensing the volume of information in data packets before transmission, and decompressing the data after the data packets are received.

The new File Transfer Module (FTM) streamlines batch file transfer for users requiring local processing of files stored on a remote LAN. FTM provides high speed LAN-to-LAN file movement, enabling users to process file-intensive tasks locally with better responsiveness. Once the file has been transferred, the user attends to his tasks locally.

Performance Breakthrough Bert Ott, vice president of Sales, explained that the new DCM and FTM enhancements represent a major breakthrough for IPX router users. "Up until now, the main performance bottleneck for remote LAN communications was due to the overhead in the NetWare IPX communications protocol," Ott said.

Gateway Communications Inc. designs, manufactures and markets a full range of networking and communications products for IBM and compatible personal computers. Gateway products are sold in more than 70 countries worldwide. Corporate and international headquarters are located at 2941 Alton Ave., Irvine, CA 92714; Telephone, 714-553-1555; fax 714-553-1616.

CONTACT: Jean Taber or Bradley Morse, both of Gateway Communications, 714-553-1555

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"DCM and FTM overcome the IPX bottleneck to maximize the speed of movement of data from LAN to LAN across public or private communications lines," he said.

Both data compression and file transfer modules are built-in to the standard G/Remote Bridge family of products and are now shipping. Upgrades for existing G/Remote Bridge users are available for U.S. $300.00.

G/Remote Bridge functions as an IPX router to provide connections between remote NetWare LANs, regardless of LAN topology or vendor. LAN-to-LAN connections are supported via dial, leased or fractional T1 lines, or through public or private data networks at speeds up to 56/64 kbps.

Each bridge server contains modular software providing X.25 protocol, routing, DCM and FTM software modules, and is supported by a WNIM communications coprocessor. G/Remote Bridge is available with either an RS232-C or V.35 interface to connect users to communications networks. The capacity for 128 virtual circuits per bridge provides extended

traffic-carrying capabilities.

Available Now
The G/Remote Bridge family consists of G/Remote Bridge, priced at U.S. $1,595.00, and G/X25 Gateway & Bridge, priced at U.S. $2,495.00, both of which operate at speeds up to 19.2 kbps. For performance at 56/64 kbps, the family includes G/Remote Bridge 64, priced at U.S. $2,495.00, and G/X25 Gateway & Bridge 64, priced at U.S. $3,445.00.

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#90254p3480 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
LANSDALE, PA (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - AEL Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: AELNA) today reported strong earnings growth on sharply higher revenues in its second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Net income for the quarter was $836,000 or $.22 per share on revenues of $39,022,000 compared to revenues of $29,969,000 and a loss of $4,966,000 or $1.28 per share in the second quarter of last year.

For the six months, net income rose to $1,742,000 or $.45 per share on revenues of $72,790,000 compared to a loss of $4,862,000 or $1.25 per share on revenues of $60,834,000 for the comparative period last year. Last year's second quarter and six-month earnings were impacted by a special contract provision that was established in the amount of $8 million to cover an investment commitment by the company on a major development program.

George King, chief financial officer, said, "Profits and revenues showed improved performances in the second quarter -- a period generally impacted by employee vacations -- that should serve as a harbinger of continued solid performances in the second half of the year." King indicated that efforts to improve productivity and increase operating efficiencies remain as the cornerstone of management's primary objective to achieve profitable growth that enhances shareholder value. The company's backlog at the end of the second quarter was $188 million compared to $148 million a year ago.

AEL is a leading supplier of electronic defense systems and subsystems. The company designs and manufactures sophisticated countermeasures,

simulation and radar warning receiving systems, engages in the installation and integration of electronic and avionics equipment into military aircraft and provides state-of-the-art antenna systems, microwave integrated components and hybrid microelectronic circuits.

The Class A common stock of AEL Industries Inc. is traded in the over-the-counter market on the NASDAQ National Market System.

CONTACT: Jesse H. Riebman, vp and treasurer of AEL Industries, 215-822-2929, ext. 2504

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#90254p3482 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALEM, VA. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors has declared a quarterly dividend of $0.04 per share on the common stock of Rowe Furniture Corporation (AMEX: ROW).

This dividend is payable on October 15, 1990 to stockholders of record September 26, 1990.

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#90254p3489 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - VOPLEX Corporation (AMEX: VOT) announced today that its discussions with another automotive plastics company have been terminated without reaching an agreement.

The two companies had been working for several months to reach an agreement that would have combined their automotive plastic groups.

VOPLEX is a Troy-based company that designs, engineers and manufactures interior trim components, modules and systems for the automotive industry and also manufactures blow molded plastic products for the packaging industry.

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#90254p3497 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Warehouse Club, Inc. (NASDAQ: WCLB) announced today the closing of two unprofitable units -- one located in North Versailles, Pa. (a suburb of Pittsburgh), and one located on Indianola Avenue in Columbus, Ohio. The closings were effective as of the close of business on Monday, Sept. 10.

Inventory at the closed units will be transferred to other stores in the company's upper Midwest marketplace. The company anticipates that closing these unprofitable locations will improve its cash flow and enable it to increase its merchandise inventory at its remaining 10 facilities. Memberships at each of the closed locations will be transferred to other facilities in the Columbus and Pittsburgh markets.

The company currently estimates that it will record a closing expense for these two locations of approximately $1.8 million in the financial statements for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1990. The closing expenses include severance pay for terminated employees, the cost of removing merchandise and store fixtures, the write-off of unsalvageable equipment and leasehold improvements and one year's occupancy costs. The company leases the North Versailles location under an agreement expiring in September 1999 and it owns the Columbus location. The company intends to sublet the North Versailles facility and to sell the Columbus facility.

The sale/leaseback refinancing transaction, previously announced by the company on Aug. 15, 1990, pursuant to which the company would sell and leaseback six facilities, has not yet been closed. The purchaser has informed the company that it is having difficulty in securing the required financing because of recent changes in the real estate financing and capital markets. The company cannot at present determine when or whether the transaction will close. The company had previously expected that the closing would take place in early September.

After closing the North Versailles and Indianola Avenue facilities, the company will continue to operate a chain of 10 wholesale cash-and- carry, members-only warehouse stores, selling high-quality merchandise at wholesale or near-wholesale prices in the Chicago, Detroit, Pittsburgh, Columbus, Dayton, and Akron, Ohio, metropolitan areas. The company's customers are comprised of businesses that purchase items for commercial use or resale and selected groups of individual retail customers. The company's objective is to achieve operating efficiencies that permit the sale of products at prices significantly below those members would have to pay to traditional wholesale distributors, discount retailers and supermarkets.

CONTACT: James Walsh, executive VP of Warehouse Club, 708-679-6800

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#90254p3498 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

TIPP CITY, OHIO (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Radio Association Defending Airwave Rights, Inc. (RADAR), a national motorists' rights organization, together with the California State Department of Insurance and the Independent Insurance Brokers Association, has defeated the Government

Employees Insurance Company (GEICO) in its bid to deny insurance coverage to radar detectors owners.

On Sept. 10, the insurance commissioner for the state of California ordered GEICO to:

"immediately...cease and desist" from its practice of discriminating against radar detectors owners, concluding that GEICO'S practice denying insurance to detector owners violates California's insurance law.

"This decision comes at a vital time," said Janice Lee, president of RADAR. "Winning in California is significant because the ruling comes on the heels of a bill that seeks a nationwide ban on radar detectors in commercial vehicles. In both cases, claims erroneously link radar detector use to lack of highway safety."

The California Insurance Commissioner concluded, "No credible evidence was presented that radar detector users as a class are high speed drivers or that as a class they tend to drive in a manner which endangers the safety of themselves or others. Indeed, the evidence did not show that automobile drivers who used radar detectors, as a group, travel faster than the general population of motorists."

"The California decision should help us in our efforts to challenge both state and federal legislative initiatives to not only deny insurance coverage to radar detector owners, but to once and for all attempt to kill initiatives aimed at the complete banning of radar detectors," says Lee.

RADAR is a nonprofit organization founded in 1984 as a motorists' rights association which specifically represents and promotes common interests of the radar detection industry for manufacturers, dealers and distributors of radar detectors. The organization also represents 11,000 individual motorists with an interest in laws governing the use of automotive radar, helps to maintain the legality of the operation and sale of radar detectors, seeks to alert the motoring public to potential abuses of police radar and fosters the proper use of radar for law enforcement purposes.

CONTACT: Jason Richards of RADAR, 513-667-5472

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#90254p3500 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation (Farmer Mac) announced today that Manufacturers Hanover Securities Corporation (MHSC) (NYSE: MHC) has been certified as the first "pooler" (certified facility) in the Farmer Mac program.

MHSC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Manufacturers Hanover Corporation, submitted its application to become certified as a pooler on Aug. 9, 1990, and cooperated with the Farmer Mac review team throughout the evaluation process by providing the data necessary to satisfy all of the requirements of certification.

"Certification of MHSC to be the first Farmer Mac pooler is a significant development in the implementation of the Farmer Mac program that clears the path for the pooling of qualified Farmer Mac loans to actively begin," said Henry D. Edelman, president of Farmer Mac. "MHSC is a highly respected institution with considerable expertise in the securitization of loans. In addition, it has assembled a team that includes The First Boston Corporation, U.S. Agricredit and Manufacturers Hanover Servicing Inc. to facilitate the pooling of loans and issuance of securities under the Farmer Mac program," he noted.

In the Farmer Mac program, poolers will perform the central function of purchasing qualified agriculture real estate or rural housing loans from originators, or originating loans themselves; assembling the loans into pools: and issuing securities backed by the pools of loans. Under the Farmer Mac statute, potential poolers must apply and be certified by Farmer Mac in order to be eligible to perform these functions.

Farmer Mac was created by the Agricultural Credit Act of 1987 to provide greater liquidity and lending capacity to agricultural lenders and to assure a stable supply of credit at competitive interest rates to farmers, ranchers and rural home buyers. It will accomplish this by guaranteeing securities issued by certified poolers backed by qualified agricultural real estate and rural housing loans. The Farmer Mac secondary market will improve agricultural lenders' access to the financial markets for the benefit of agricultural real estate and rural home mortgage borrowers of this nation.

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#90254p3501 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - United Press International, signaling UPI's strategic emphasis on photographic, video and graphics services for news media and corporate clients, has named Leonard Marotta general manager for UPI News Photos & Graphics.

William F. Hackett, UPI senior vice president-news and information products, said, "UPI intends to expand the breadth and depth of our news photos and graphics services, through our own initiatives and in cooperation with such allies as our sister company, Financial News Network.

"The appointment of Len Marotta to this post reflects the increasing strategic importance of this unit," he added.

Marotta, 39, most recently served as marketing manager for UPI Information Services. He led UPI-Financial News Network (FNN) audiotext research projects, contract negotiations with information providers and several news photo development efforts.

Robert W. Carroll, previously general manager, becomes UPI news photos editor.

Noting recent advances, Hackett explained: "UPI in May selected Crosfield's NewsLine electronic picture desk to offer our clients. Pricing delivery and installations preparations are now complete for our Crosfield program. In October, UPI's Crosfield-equipped news photo command center will be installed here in Washington, and the first field installations at client sites will begin in October.

"Meanwhile, we have now also converted more than 90 percent of our photos customers to satellite transmission from telephone land lines. Also, UPI is evaluating two new photo printers and will make our choice by year's end. Either printer will handle our conversion to digital from analog transmission. We expect most UPI photo customers to be converted for digital transmissions by April 1991," Hackett said.

Before joining UPI, Marotta served as product manager for network applications at Telenet Communications Corporation, Reston, Va.; manager of product marketing for Dialcom Inc., Rockville, Md.; training and support specialist for IRIS System Development Corporation, Arlington, Va.; and as quality assurance specialist at Tymshare, Inc., San Francisco. A native New Yorker, Marotta graduated from State University of New York, in 1973.

UPI, founded in 1907, is owned by Infotechnology (NASDAQ-NMS: ITCH), the New York City-based information and communications company that also owns 47 percent of Financial News Network Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FNNI).

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#90254p3513 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Choice Hotels International announced that its parent company Manor Care Inc. (NYSE: MNR) has closed on the purchase of Econo Lodges of America Inc.

The transaction, as announced on Aug. 14, is valued at approximately $60

million.

The Econo Lodge system includes 615 hotels in the United States and Canada. Also included in the transaction are 85 Friendship Inns.

Choice is expanding at a rapid pace. In July 1990, Choice acquired the worldwide rights to Rodeway Inns. The two acquisitions give the company a 25 percent share of the economy segment of the market alone. Choice Hotels International also franchises Quality Inns, Comfort Inns, Sleep Inns, and Clarion Hotels and Resorts worldwide. The company plans to franchise 10,000 hotels by the year 2000.

Choice management also announced plans to market its seven lodging chains as two groups. The company's original brands Comfort, Quality, Clarion and Sleep Inns will comprise one group; Econo Lodge, Rodeway and Friendship Inns will be marketed together.

"As the recognized leader in hotel franchising, the demand for our global marketing and reservations service is stronger than ever," commented company President Gerald W. Petitt.

Choice Hotels International (formerly Quality Inns International) is the world's largest franchise hotel company with more than 2,400 hotels and 223,625 guest rooms in 19 countries.

CONTACT: Lynn O'Rourke Hayes of Choice Hotels International, 301-236-5075

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#90254p3515 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Morton's of Chicago, the country's premier steakhouse with ten national locations, has retained Ogilvy & Mather/Chicago for a national marketing program, according to Allan J. Bernstein, president and CEO of the Roslyn Heights, N.Y., based Quantum Restaurant Group which owns Morton's.

The marketing program, which will be led by Ogilvy & Mather Public Relations, also includes Ogilvy & Mathers Advertising and Ogilvy & Mather Direct.

Morton's of Chicago will open restaurants in Cleveland and Tysons Corner, Va. this fall adding to its locations in Chicago, Washington, D.C., Atlanta, Boston, Philadelphia, Dallas, Denver, New Orleans, Westchester and Rosemont, Ill.

CONTACT: Marilou Hedlund of Ogilvy & Mather Public Relations, 312-988-2685

-30- 974
#90254p3516 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
MISSION VIEJO, CALIF. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Hunter Realty, Inc., a Cleveland-based residential real estate company, has acquired nine Coldwell Banker company-owned offices in Cleveland, and will operate them as members of Coldwell Banker Residential Affiliates, Inc., according to Chandler B. Barton, chairman and chief executive officer of the Coldwell Banker Residential Group. Coldwell Banker Hunter Realty company is now the third largest multi-office firm in the greater Cleveland area.

Hunter Realty Inc. will convert 10 of its present offices to the Coldwell Banker system. With the addition of the nine Coldwell Banker offices, there will now be a total of 19 offices in the greater Cleveland area known as Coldwell Banker Hunter Realty.

Hunter Realty, Inc. was established in 1981 and serves the following areas: Lake, Cuyahoga, Summit, Lorain, Medina and Geauga counties.

Coldwell Banker Chief Executive Officer Barton says, "It's been effective in a number of markets for Coldwell Banker to affiliate successful, reputable brokers such as Hunter Realty Inc., who not only have demonstrated an exceptional understanding of the local market, but also have gained a top market share."

Coldwell Banker Hunter Realty company spokesperson Sue Spalsbury adds, "With this acquisition and with the strength and credibility of the Coldwell Banker name, we expect to become one of the dominant real estate organizations in the greater Cleveland area."

The 19 offices of Coldwell Banker Hunter Realty will have approximately 677 sales associates and provide brokerage, relocation and new homes marketing services.

With a total of 70 offices in Ohio, Coldwell Banker has nearly 1,900 residential real estate offices and more than 40,000 sales associates in North America, and is a member of the Sears Financial Network.

CONTACT: Sue Spalsbury of Coldwell Banker Hunter Realty, 216-892-7040 or 800-777-0793

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#90254p3521 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Pulitzer Publishing Co. (NASDAQ/MSE:PLTZ) declared a quarterly dividend of $0.125 per share on its Common Stock and Class B Common Stock, payable on Nov. 1,

1990 to stockholders of record on Oct. 9, 1990.

Founded in St. Louis in 1878, Pulitzer Publishing is engaged in newspaper publishing and television and radio broadcasting. The company's newspaper operations consist of two major metropolitan dailies, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and The Arizona Daily Star in Tucson, Ariz., and newspapers and shoppers in the Chicago area, including the Southtown Economist, a suburban daily and Sunday newspaper.

Broadcasting operations include seven network-affiliated TV stations: WYFF in Greenville, S.C.; WGAL in Lancaster, Pa.; WXII in Winston-Salem, N.C.; KOAT in Albuquerque, N.M.; KETV in Omaha, Neb.; WLKY in Louisville, Ky.; and WDSU in New Orleans, La.; and two radio stations (KTAR-AM and KKLT-FM) in Phoenix, Ariz.

For further information, contact James V. Maloney, Director of Shareholder Relations, Pulitzer Publishing Co., at 314-622-7000.

CONTACT: James V. Maloney of Pulitzer Publishing Co., 314-622-7000.

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#90254p3522 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIF. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas M. McGivern has been appointed vice president and general manager, business management for McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co.

A 31-year veteran of McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD), McGivern began his career with Douglas Aircraft Co. in 1954 as a statistician. After a few years' hiatus he returned to the company in 1965 to manage contracts for Douglas Aircraft's C5 division.

He soon after transferred to McDonnell Douglas Astronautics Co. (now McDonnell Douglas Space Systems) to manage contracts for the Manned Orbiting Laboratory project and other space programs.

In 1971 he took on the assignment of director of business management for all Huntington Beach missile programs.

Most recently he served as director of contracts for McDonnell Douglas Space Systems.

McGivern earned a bachelor of arts degree in English from Loyola University in Los Angeles.

CONTACT: Sheila Carter or Anne McCauley of McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co., 714-896-1302

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#90254p3523 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The New York Stock Exchange board of directors today approved nine officer appointments and promotions.

Three Executive Vice Presidents Named Among the promotions, three executive vice presidents were named:

-- David L. Domijan, senior vice president and chief financial officer, was named executive vice president and chief financial officer, finance, new listings and corporate liaison.
-- Catherine R. Kinney, senior vice president, equities and audit, was named executive vice president, equities and audit.
-- Edward Kwalwasser, senior vice president, regulation, was named executive vice president, regulation.

All three will continue to report to Richard A. Grasso, NYSE president and chief operating officer.

Two Senior Vice Presidents Appointed The board also approved the promotion of two Exchange vice presidents to senior vice president:

-- Charlotte J. Lee, vice president, was promoted to senior vice president, equity marketing. She will report to Lewis J. Horowitz, executive vice president responsible for equity marketing and the New York Futures Exchange.
-- Salvatore Pallante, vice president, member firm regulation, was promoted to senior vice president, member firm regulation. He will continue to report to Kwalwasser.

Four Vice Presidents Approved
Four managing directors were promoted to vice president:
-- Dennis Covelli was named vice president, post trade services, reporting to Richard A. Edgar, senior vice president, market operations.
-- Edward J. Heaney was named vice president, regional and specialty firms liaison, reporting to Horowitz.
-- D. Wayne Richardson was named vice president, security, reporting to Donald J. Solodar, executive vice president, fixed income, options and administration.
-- Lois Zarembo was named vice president, equity business development, reporting to Kinney. David L. Domijan

CONTACT: Sharon Gamsin, 212-656-8222, or Ray Pellecchia, 212-656-2065, both of the New York Stock Exchange

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#90254p3524 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANDOVER, MD (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Herbert H. Haft, chairman of Dart Group Corporation (NASDAQ: DARTA), announced income before extraordinary items for the three months and six months ended July 31, 1990 was $3,214,000 or $1.70 per share and $5,555,000 or $2.93 per share, respectively, compared with $2,611,000 or $1.37 per share and $5,386,000 or $2.84 per share for the same periods last year. Net income for the three and six months ended July 31, 1990 was $3,214,000 or $1.70 per share and $5,555,000 or $2.93 per share, respectively, compared with $2,611,000 or $1.37 per share and $5,163,000 or $2.72 per share for the same periods last year.

Revenue for the three months increased to $266,762,000 from $226,196,000 and for the six months to $504,600,000 from $434,543,000 when compared with the same periods last year.

DART GROUP CORPORATION
(In thousands except earnings per share)

Periods ended	Three months		Six months	
July 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$266,762	$226,196	$504,600	$434,543
Income before extraordinary items	3,214	2,611	5,555	5,386
Extraordinary items:				
Loss on reacquisition of debentures, net of income tax benefit	--	--	--	(223)
Net income	3,214	2,611	5,555	5,163
Earnings per common share and common share equivalents:				
Income before extra-ordinary items	1.70	1.37	2.93	2.84
Extraordinary items:				
Loss on reacquisition of debentures, net of income tax benefit	--	--	--	(.12)
Net income	1.70	1.37	2.93	2.72
Weighted average shares outstanding	1,894	1,899	1,894	1,895
Dividends per share of Class A common stock	.033	.033	.066	.066

CONTACT: Stanley Rubenstein of Rubenstein, Wolfson & Co., 212-661-4343, for Dart Group

-30- 2237

#90254p3526 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - A new issue of $250 million Texas Utilities Electric Company First Mortgage and Collateral Trust Bonds, 10-5/8 percent Series due Sept. 1, 2020, was offered today at a price of 100 percent, plus accrued interest from Sept. 1, to yield 10.625 percent. The bonds are being offered pursuant to a shelf registration statement filed by the company on July 12, 1990.

Salomon Brothers Inc is lead manager of the underwriting group, with Kidder, Peabody & Co. Incorporated, Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and PaineWebber Incorporated as co-managers.

Net proceeds of the offering, together with funds from operations, will be used to meet expenditures for the company's construction program and for other corporate purposes, which may include the acquisition of certain of its fixed income securities and the repayment of short-term debt.

The bonds are non-redeemable prior to Sept. 1, 1995. The company is the principal operating subsidiary of Texas Utilities Company (NYSE: TXU), and provides electric service in the north central, eastern and western parts of Texas. Executive offices are in Dallas.

CONTACT: Barbara Hynes of Gavin Anderson Doremus, 212-921-1060, for Texas Utilities Electric

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#90254p3530 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS GATOS, CALIF. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Hytek Microsystems Inc. (NASDAQ: HTEK) announced today that its board of directors, at a meeting held on Sept. 10, 1990, declared a distribution to shareholders of record as of Sept. 21, 1990, of approximately $1.8 million, or 65 cents per share along with rights to certain future payments. Such cash amount represents the balance of the cash proceeds of the sales of Hytek's assets located in its Los Gatos facility, after expenses and certain funding being provided to Hytek's ongoing Carson City, Nev. operation.

As a part of this distribution, the company is distributing the rights to certain future royalty payments under both the Interpoint asset sale agreement consummated in July 1990 and the asset sale agreement consummated in December 1989 of certain assets of Hytek's wholly owned subsidiary, Topaz Semiconductor Inc. These rights to future cash will not be transferable. The distribution will be handled by Bank of America pursuant to a Distribution Trust Agreement.

Hytek intends to consolidate its remaining operations at its Carson City, Nev., military certified facility by the end of September 1990. Founded in 1974, Hytek specializes in custom hybrid microelectronics circuits that are used in computer, automotive, communications, medical and military applications.

CONTACT: Alan W. Baldwin or Judith E. Siljander both of Hytek Microsystems, 408-395-2300

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#90254p3532 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BELLEVUE, WASH. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Patricia (Hofeld) Shaheen has been promoted to region general manager -- Mountain Region for U S WEST Paging effective Aug. 16, the company said today. Shaheen, based in Denver, will oversee operations in Denver, Colorado Springs and Salt Lake City.

Shaheen joined U S WEST Paging in 1987. After working in the Phoenix office, Shaheen became branch manager -- Tucson. She served as district manager -- Colorado Springs since April 1989.

Prior to joining U S WEST Paging, Shaheen worked for Mobilecom and Intrastate Radio Telephone, two Los Angeles-based paging operations. Shaheen has more than 19 years experience in the paging business.

"Her history of successful operating management and effective team building has prepared her well for her new responsibilities," said C. David Hayden, U S WEST Paging vice-president/chief operating officer. "We are confident that Shaheen's leadership will result in great successes for the Mountain Region."

U S WEST Paging, which serves more than 147,600 pagers in 58 markets, is a division of U S WEST NewVector Group Inc. (NASDAQ: USWNA). Headquartered in Bellevue, Wash., NewVector has operations in 16 midwestern, western and southwestern states. NewVector is a majority-owned subsidiary of U S WEST Inc. (NYSE: USW), a diversified corporation based in Englewood, Colo.

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#90254p3543 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAYLOR, MI. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Masco Corporation (NYSE: MAS) today declared a quarterly dividend of 14 cents per share on the company's common stock, $1 par value, payable on Nov. 12, 1990, to stockholders of record on Oct. 19, 1990.

CONTACT: John C. Nicholls Jr. of Masco Corporation, 313-274-7400

-30- 485

#90254p3546 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, CO (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Jones Spacelink Ltd. (NASDAQ: SPLKA), today announced results for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990. The company, excluding Jones Intercable Inc., reported a 74 percent increase in revenues, from approximately $14.3 million in 1989 to approximately $24.9 million in 1990.

Jones Spacelink owns and operates cable television systems and owns a controlling interest in Jones Intercable Inc. (NASDAQ: JOIN), one of the nation's 10 largest cable television operators, and holds an 80 percent ownership interest in The Jones Group Ltd., a cable television brokerage company. The company also owns 100 percent of Jones Futurex(TM) Inc., a manufacturer of personal computer security hardware and software, as well as an 81 percent interest in Galactic Radio(TM) Inc.

Operating income before depreciation and amortization increased 121 percent in fiscal 1990, from approximately $6 million reported in fiscal 1989 to approximately $13.3 million reported in fiscal 1990.

While revenues and operating income showed strong growth, increases in expenses, principally depreciation, amortization and interest, relating to the acquisition by Spacelink in September 1989 of the cable television system serving Kenosha, Wis. reduced the 1990 net income (excluding Jones Intercable) to $753,000 or 1 cent per share, a 39 percent decrease from the 1989 net income of $1.2 million.

Subscriber service fee revenues for Spacelink-owned systems totalled approximately $12.3 million for 1990, an increase of 108 percent over the amount reported for 1989. The increase was primarily the result of the 1989 acquisition by Spacelink of the Kenosha system. At May 31, 1990, this system served approximately 19,700 basic subscribers.

Fees for the management of cable television systems owned by Spacelink-sponsored limited partnerships totalled approximately $971,000 for fiscal 1990, compared with $442,000 for fiscal 1989, an increase of 120 percent. This increase is principally the result of the formation and investment in October 1989 of Jones Growth Partners L.P., a limited partnership for which a wholly-owned subsidiary of Spacelink serves as general partner.

In fiscal 1990, operating, general and administrative expenses of Spacelink totalled approximately $11.6 million, an increase of 40 percent over approximately $8.3 million from the prior year. The net increase resulted primarily from an increase in operating expenses associated with

the Kenosha, Wis. and Hilo, Hawaii cable television systems, which were acquired in September 1989 and October 1988, respectively.

Depreciation and amortization totalled approximately $5.7 million for the year ended May 31, 1990, compared with approximately $2.6 million reported in fiscal 1989, an increase of 119 precent. Interest expense for the company was approximately $5.6 million in fiscal 1990, compared with approximately $2.9 million in fiscal 1989. These increases are due largely to the acquisition of the Kenosha system.

CONTACT: Jim Carlson or Nancy Reed Long both of Jones Spacelink Ltd., 303-792-9191

-30- 3318

#90254p3553 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of MNC Financial Inc. (NYSE: MNC) at its meeting today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.29 per share on the corporation's common stock.

The common stock dividend for the third 1990 quarter is payable Sept. 28 to stockholders of record Sept. 21.

MNC further announced that it has approved the stock purchase agreement with Alfred Lerner, an MNC director, related to its previously announced plan to raise about $180 million of new capital through a private placement of preferred stock. The agreement provides that up to 50 percent of the private placement may be subscribed to by other directors of MNC, who are currently considering the potential investment.

Additionally, MNC said that, commencing with the fourth quarter of 1990, its board has approved moving future consideration of the company's dividend declaration to the month following quarter-end.

CONTACT: Daniel G. Finney, senior vp-communications, 301-547-4038, or David W. Spartin, vp and director-investor relations, 301-547-4410, both of MNC Financial

-30- 1295

#90254p3564 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

EATONTOWN, N.J. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntrex Incorporated (NASDAQ: STRX) announced today that it had completed a major financial restructuring program and signed a product and marketing agreement with Olivetti Office USA. Dan Sinnott, chairman and CEO of Syntrex, said, "this major financial restructuring program coupled with a strategic partnership program with Olivetti represents an important step in building

Syntrex as a premier Network System's Integrator."

Sinnott explained the financial restructuring program as having two equally significant components. The first component is the infusion of $3 million of cash into the company. The second component is the restructuring of $4 million of short-term debt into long-term debt. This $4 million debt is payable to the Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) as a result of the company's January 1990 acquisition of the former Lanier Business Systems Division from the Harris Corporation. Sinnott said, "the $3 million infusion of cash together with the long-term extension of the $4 million of Harris debt improves the company's working capital position and provides cash to support the operations of the company."

Sinnott went on to explain the sources of the $3 million infusion of cash. Syntrex has obtained $2 million of subordinated debt financing from Olivetti Holding B.V., an affiliate of Ing. C. Olivetti & C., S.p.a. In addition, the Harris Corporation has paid Syntrex $1 million in connection with the completion of certain matters related to the previously mentioned acquisition. The company also announced that it has reached an agreement with a New Jersey bank that modifies certain terms and covenants of the loan agreements governing $9.2 million of indebtedness owed by the company to the bank. After modification of these loan covenants and giving effect to the transactions with Olivetti and Harris, the company is in compliance with all loan covenants.

Also, Syntrex has signed a $20 million OEM agreement with Olivetti covering the purchase of Olivetti manufactured personal computers, file servers, laser printers, typewriters, and other items over the next two years. Olivetti have signed an agreement to transfer to Syntrex, the Olivetti Advanced Office Automation dealer program in the United States. These dealers specialize in providing PC-based network systems to the legal community.

Leon Harris, Olivetti Office USA's president, said, "this new strategic partnership with Syntrex links Olivetti to one of the industry's premier network integrators. Syntrex's network integration expertise, its system engineering, service, and sales presence in 40 cities nationally, and the addition of Olivetti products to the Syntrex product line, creates a total network offering that is unmatched in the client/server environment." For Syntrex's multi-national customers, Olivetti will provide local service and support in over 17 countries worldwide for Olivetti products.

The $2 million of indebtedness owed to Olivetti plus accrued interest, matures in August 1993. Prior to the restructuring of the Harris debt, the company was required to pay Harris $4 million by January 1991. As restructured, the company is required to pay $2 million of the indebtedness owed to Harris in August 1993 on substantially the same terms as the terms of the company's indebtedness to Olivetti. In addition, the

company signed a new promissory note for the remaining $2 million of indebtness to Harris with payments commencing in August 1991 and ending in August 1992.

In connection with the Olivetti financing and the restructuring of the Harris debt, Olivetti and Harris have both been issued five year warrants to purchase 1,333,333 shares of Syntrex common stock at a price of $1.50 per share. An affiliate of Olivetti Holding, B.V. currently owns 348,140 shares of common stock or approximately four percent of Syntrex's outstanding common stock. In addition, Harris currently owns 150,000 shares of common stock or approximately two percent of Syntrex's outstanding common stock.

The company completed the first quarter of its new 1991 fiscal year on July 29, 1990, and expects to report results for that quarter on or before Sept. 18, 1990.

Syntrex is a national Network System's Integrator. The company designs, implements and supports PC-based networks using Novell NetWare, Banyan Vines, and 3Com 3(plus)Open network operating systems. With system engineering, service, and sales professionals in 40 cities, the company ranked as the fifth largest Network System's Integrator in 1989, according to LAN magazine.

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-30- 4925

#90254p3569 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Mizlou Communications Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: MZLUL, MZLU), today announced that it has sold $1.175 million of its Series B 12 percent senior secured notes to provide additional working capital. The notes are due on Nov. 30, 1990 or earlier under certain circumstances. A portion of the principal of the notes is convertible into 1.175 million shares of Mizlou common stock.

In connection with the consummation of this financing and certain related transactions, certain executive officers of the company have returned 2.1 million shares of common stock of the company to its treasury and the number of shares of common stock issuable on conversion of the company's outstanding 12 percent senior secured convertible notes issued in June 1990, has increased by 2.1 million shares.

The company's Mizlou Sports News Network (SNN), is the nation's first and only 24-hour, seven-day-a-week sports cable news network. On the air since Feb. 1, 1990, Mizlou has signed affiliation agreements in 15 of the top 20 major television markets, and has signed advertising agreements with 35 major sponsors.

CONTACT: Mark Wenzel, chief financial officer of Mizlou Communications, 212-244-3750, or Alex Ross of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Mizlou Communications

-30- 1485

#90254p3571 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - S.A. Megeath, III, former Chairman of the Board of PLM International Inc. (AMEX:PLM), who resigned from the Board on Sept. 3, 1990, said today that he was not told about a secret plan for a management buy-out of the company last March.

Megeath said the failure to advise him of the buy-out plan was only one example of how he was deprived of information during his tenure as a member of the Board of PLMI, making it impossible for him to continue to fulfill his duties as a director in behalf of the company's shareholders.

He said it was also an example of what he views as significant deviation by the company from sound and responsible management and fiduciary standards.

Megeath issued his statement in response to a Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) filing made by PLMI yesterday, which stated: "...he (Megeath) has had full and complete access to the same information as any other director."

As evidence to the contrary, Megeath cited a memorandum, dated March 10, 1990 and included by PLM in its SEC filing. The memorandum was written by the Chief Financial Officer of Transcisco Industries Inc., to Walter E. Hoadley, a member of the Boards of Directors of both PLM International and Transcisco, and Robert Muh, another Transcisco director. Transcisco Industries (AMEX:TNIA, TNIB) owns 36 percent of the common stock of PLMI.

The full text of the memorandum is as follows: "In case it's relevant to your discussion on Wednesday, GE Capital (Corporation) remains interested in doing a management buy-out of PLMI. GECC has had several conversations with Tidball, and is presently trying to schedule another. I don't believe Megeath is aware of these conversations.

"At first blush, more debt doesn't seem to be the solution for PLMI; however, GECC and I both believe it works pretty well because the high payout common dividend would go away as would the ESOP (Employee Stock Ownership Plan) dividends."

Robert N. Tidball has been President and Chief Executive of PLMI since March 9, 1989. In Megeath's letter of resignation as a Director, he singled out Tidball as having been instrumental in misleading and

misinforming him generally and, in particular, with respect to the secret buy-out plan.

Megeath also expressed particular concern in his resignation letter about what he views as a conflict of interest arising out of the service of Hoadley on the Boards of both PLMI and Transcisco.

Megeath is managing general partner of LEF&C Partners of Carson City, Nev. a corporate consulting, risk capital and investments firm.

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-30- 2912

#90254p3574 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KS (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Latshaw Enterprises, Inc. today announced that it had acquired all of the outstanding stock of Latshaw & Company, Inc., a Missouri corporation and a registered broker- dealer, from John Latshaw, the sole shareholder of the company. In the transaction, Latshaw Enterprises, Inc., issued 19,721 shares of its common stock to Latshaw in exchange for the Latshaw & Company, Inc., stock. Mr. Latshaw serves as chairman of the board and president of Latshaw & Company Inc., and as chairman of the board, chief executive officer and managing director of Latshaw Enterprises, Inc.

CONTACT: David G. Carr, Sr. V.P. finance of Latshaw Enterprises, 316-942-7266, ext. 277

-30- 864

#90254p3581 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, FL (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) has announced that it initiated legal action on July 30, 1990 in New Jersey's Federal District Court seeking a declaration by the Court that Harris does not infringe any valid claims of five (5) power MOSFET patents held by International Rectifier Corp. (NYSE: IRF).

Subsequent to the declaratory judgement action filed by Harris, IR last week filed a separate lawsuit in the Federal Court for the Central District of California alleging that Harris infringes two (2) of these patents.

Harris' position is that it does not infringe any valid claims of IR's patents. The Harris products at issue are a small part of a large portfolio of power semiconductor devices acquired through the company's purchase of General Electric Solid State (GESS) in November of 1988. As a result of the acquisition, Harris currently holds about 2,000 patents

for products developed by GESS, including those previously acquired by GE from RCA. Many of these patents are for power technologies and processes pioneered by GE and RCA and include IGBT, SCR, GTO and power MOS products.

Harris said that it will vigorously pursue through the courts any challenge to its position in the power transistor market. Harris also said that even though litigation is underway, IR has agreed to continue discussions that could lead to a mutually beneficial resolution.

Harris Semiconductor is one of four sectors comprising the $3 billion Harris Corporation, headquartered in Melbourne, Fla. The Sector specializes in analog, mixed-signal, and power control semiconductors for signal processing and control applications in all major market segments. In power devices, Harris offers the industry's broadest line of standard and proprietary power MOSFETs and surge suppression devices, as well as an extensive range of optoelectronic products, bipolar power transistors, rectifiers, and high-voltage/high-current IGBT devices.

CONTACT: John S. Allen of Harris Corporation, 407-724-3802

-30- 2226

#90254p3586 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Tri-Continental Corporation (NYSE: TY), the nation's largest diversified, publicly traded equity investment company, today declared a third-quarter dividend of 22 cents per share on the corporation's common stock. The dividend is payable Oct. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record Sept. 21.

The corporation's directors also declared a quarterly dividend of 62.5 cents per share on the $2.50 preferred stock, payable to stockholders of record Sept. 21.

J. & W. Seligman & Co. Incorporated, founded in 1864, is an investment manager and advisor with more than $8 billion in assets under management, serving pension plans, institutions and individuals.

In addition to Tri-Continental, the firm manages the Seligman Family of Funds, with 30 portfolios and Seligman Select Municipal Fund, a closed-end tax-exempt bond fund.

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#90254p3598 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - CIGNA Corp. (NYSE: CI) announced

today that its property-casualty operations will add more than 300 new jobs to the regional marketing center it will open in Philadelphia next year and will implement a comprehensive job-skills training program for its newly hired employees.

The company previously had announced the creation of 600 new jobs in the city.

"The center will now handle marketing and underwriting in 13 northeastern and middle-Atlantic states," said Property and Casualty (P&C) Division President Caleb L. Fowler. The company will now have four marketing centers, rather than five, as was previously announced.

"We looked at several options for a marketing center in the Northeast, but found none that suited us better than Philadelphia," Fowler said. "It made sense economically and in terms of our staffing needs. I am pleased that we can contribute even more aggressively to Philadelphia's business growth."

CIGNA cited city government's support for programs designed to encourage business growth -- the possible creation of a Special Services District, for example -- along with the continuation of a reasonable tax environment for corporations and their employees, as important factors in the decision. Fowler said "although there are obvious concerns regarding the impact of the city's current fiscal problems, finding reasonable solutions is essential if the city is to remain competitive in attracting and retaining employees."

The CIGNA training program is an important element in the company's expansion, according to Richard A. Morrissey, senior vice president-P&C human resources. "We'll need more insurance professionals than the local market can provide. For that reason, we've designed training programs for people with little or no insurance experience, but who meet our other qualifications," Morrissey said.

Four- and six-month training programs will be offered for entry- level underwriting assistants and financial representatives. Eight- month job-training sessions will be held for underwriters.

According to Fowler, by increasing the staff locally, the company will be able to provide more advancement opportunities for a greater number of employees, provide initial job-training and on-going support more efficiently and benefit from improved communication capabilities.

Philadelphia-based CIGNA company employees will total about 5,000 with the addition of the new jobs.

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#90254p3606 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
FT. LAUDERDALE, FLA. (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - QSR Inc. (NASDAQ: QSRI), today reported improved operating results for its fiscal fourth quarter and year ended May 27, 1990.

For the fiscal year ended May 27, 1990, QSR reported a loss of $754,000, or $0.09 per share, compared to a loss of $1,982,000, or $0.60 per share for the previous fiscal year. Total revenues were $14,925,000 compared to $16,293,000 reported for fiscal 1989.

For the quarter ended May 27, 1990, the company reported a loss of $329,000, or $0.03 per share, compared to a loss of $527,000, or $0.16 per share for the year earlier period.

The improved results for fiscal year 1990 were principally due to the company's Mr. Submarine/MIAMI SUBS operations, including revenues from company-operated restaurants and franchise related revenues.

QSR's fiscal 1990 results include the full year's operations of its Taco Viva Mexican food restaurant business, which was sold on May 25, 1990. The company's future operations will consist solely of the development and franchising of the Mr. Submarine/MIAMI SUBS restaurant concept.

The company currently operates two Mr. Submarine/MIAMI SUBS restaurants, is the franchisor of 21 restaurants, and is actively negotiating leases for several additional restaurants in Florida, which would be converted to MIAMI SUBS restaurants.

On Sept. 5, 1990, QSR announced the appointment of C. Ronald Petty, the former president and chief operating officer of Burger King Corporation, to the position of president and chief executive officer of the company. Under the direction of Gus Boulis, QSR's chairman, and Ronald Petty, president, the company intends to expand the MIAMI SUBS restaurant concept throughout the United States.

CONTACT: C. Ronald Petty, president, or Donald L. Perlyn, senior vice president, of QSR, 305-772-4224, or Mark Starr, 212-661-8030 or after 7 p.m. 516-783-4391, or Stephanie Rohlin, 312-266-7800, both of the Financial Relations Board for QSR

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#90254p3622 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - "Lenny," the new half-hour comedy

series on CBS starring Lenny Clarke, posted impressive ratings during its premiere telecast Monday, Sept. 10, winning its time period and garnering the highest rating and share of any CBS show for the evening.

A Witt-Thomas Production in association with Touchstone Television, "Lenny" scored a 12.8 rating, 21 share, according to the national Nielsen ratings, representing a 33 percent rating increase and 24 percent share increase over programming in that time slot for the previous four weeks. It also represents a 13 percent rating increase and 5 percent share increase over the show's lead-in, "Uncle Buck."

"Lenny" begins airing in its regular Wednesday, 8 p.m. (EDT/PDT) time period on Sept. 19.

The series showcases the sharp wit and common-sense wisdom of one of the country's brightest comedic talents, Lenny Clarke, whose rapid-fire commentaries on life and its absurdities have been embraced by nightclub audiences for years.

Set in Lenny's real-life hometown of Boston and paralleling many of the comedian's personal experiences, the series focuses on Lenny Callahan (Clarke), a modern Everyman whose lower-middle class life presents him with a never-ending series of ups and downs to make ends meet. When financial and family concerns mount, Lenny takes direct aim and fires the heavy-humor artillery.

"Lenny" also features a talented ensemble cast including Lee Garlington as Lenny's supportive and loving wife, Shelly; Eugene Roche as his headstrong father, Pat; Alice Drummond as his independent mother, Mary; Peter Dobson as Lenny's slick (but not too swift) brother, Eddie; Jenna von Oy plays Lenny's materialistic and feisty 13-year-old daughter, Kelly; and, Alexis Caldwell is his anxiety-prone, 10-year-old daughter, Tracy.

Paul Junger Witt, Tony Thomas and Don Reo are executive producers. "Lenny" is produced by Witt-Thomas Productions in association with Touchstone Television for CBS.

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#90254p3629 09/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (SEPT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Academy Award winning actress Jodie Foster has entered into a long-term relationship with Orion Pictures, it was announced by Marc Platt, president of production.

The two-year, first-look agreement calls for Foster to star in, direct, and/or produce motion pictures for Orion. The pact becomes effective Oct. 21, following the completion of Foster's directorial debut on Orion's "Little Man Tate," in which she also stars with Dianne Wiest, Harry Connick Jr. and Adam Hann-Byrd.

Also for Orion, Foster stars in the psychological thriller, "The Silence of the Lambs," directed by Jonathan Demme, scheduled for release in early 1991.

Foster, who won an Oscar in 1988 for her performance in "The Accused," has been acting for over 20 years, since age seven. She has starred in such films as "Bugsy Malone," "Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore," "Taxi Driver" (for which she was Oscar-nominated), "Foxes," "Carney," "The Hotel New Hampshire," and, more recently, "Five Corners" and "Stealing Home."

In announcing the agreement, Orion's Platt stated, "Jodie Foster is one of the screen's most gifted and versatile actresses, and now, an exciting new director. We're thrilled to have her as part of the Orion family."

Foster is the latest talent to be brought into Orion's creative fold by Platt, who recently signed overall deals with Alec Baldwin and directors Phil Joanou ("State of Grace") and Frank Oz.

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#90254t1372 09/11/1990 ~ts

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) TASS - AMERICAN AND SOVIET BUSINESS EXECUTIVES AND MILITARY OFFICIALS SAT DOWN ON MONDAY AT A MAJOR U.S.-SOVIET BUSINESS CONFERENCE AT THE ACADEMY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES IN CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS TO DISCUSS WAYS THE COUNTRIES COULD WORK TOGETHER TO IMPROVE TECHNOLOGIES AND RESOURCES.

THE THEME OF THE TWO-DAY CONFERENCE, "SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES, THE NEW SUPERPOWER REALITY," AIMS TO GIVE AMERICAN AND SOVIET OFFICIALS AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS HOW TO MAINTAIN THEIR INDUSTRIAL GROWTH WHILE CUTTING MILITARY PRODUCTION.

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATORS AND RESEARCHERS DISCUSSED HOW INDUSTRIES CAN BE CONVERTED FROM MILITARY- TO CIVILIAN-BASED PRODUCTION. THEY AGREED TO FOCUS ON CONSUMER GOODS, TELECOMMUNICATIONS, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, AND HEALTH CARE. FURTHER DISCUSSIONS TODAY WILL CENTER AROUND HOW SOVIET COMPANIES CAN WORK DIRECTLY WITH AMERICAN COMPANIES IN PURSUING ECONOMIC GOALS.

THE CONFERENCE HAS DRAWN EXPERTS FROM DIFFERENT FIELDS, INCLUDING

TELECOMMUNICATIONS, SPACE, AVIATION, MANUFACTURING, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, AND GOVERNMENT. HEAD OF THE SOVIET DELEGATION ANDREY KOKOSHIN IS FROM THE SOVIET ACADEMY OF SCIENCES.

THE CONFERENCE WAS ORGANIZED BY THE INSTITUTE FOR DEFENCE DISARMAMENT STUDIES (IDDS). THROUGH THE CONFERENCE, IDDS "WILL HERALD THE DAWNING OF A NEW ERA IN WHICH THE MIGHTY DEFENCE INDUSTRIES OF THE SUPERPOWERS ARE REDIRECTED TOWARD MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE HUMAN RACE AND OUR PLANET".

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#90254t1374 09/11/1990 ~ts

LONDON (SEPT. 11) TASS - FIRST DEPUTY COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE SOVIET NAVY KONSTANTIN MAKAROV ARRIVED IN BRITAIN ON A FIVE-DAY VISIT AT THE INVITATION OF THE BRITISH NAVAL COMMAND.

DURING HIS VISIT, HE WILL HOLD TALKS WITH DEFENCE SECRETARY TOM KING, NAVAL CHIEF OF STAFF JULIAN OSWALD, AND OTHER MILITARY LEADERS. HE IS ALSO EXPECTED TO VISIT THE ROYAL NAVAL SCHOOLS IN GREENWICH AND DARTMOUTH AND NAVAL TRAINING CENTERS IN PLYMOUTH AND PORTSMOUTH.

A PRESS RELEASE BY THE DEFENCE MINISTRY STRESSES THAT THE VISIT IS ANOTHER STEP TOWARDS THE DEVELOPMENT OF A DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE BRITISH AND SOVIET ARMED FORCES.

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#90254t1386 09/11/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT. 11) TASS - EAST GERMAN PREMIER LOTHAR DE MAIZIERE, WHO IS ALSO ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER, ARRIVED IN MOSCOW TODAY TO TAKE PART IN THE CONCLUDING ROUND OF "TWO-PLUS-FOUR" TALKS.

THE TALKS, OPENING ON WEDNESDAY TO SETTLE FOREIGN ASPECTS OF GERMAN UNIFICATION, WILL BE ATTENDED BY THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE SOVIET UNION THE UNITED STATES, BRITAIN, FRANCE AND THE TWO GERMANYS.

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#90254t1390 09/11/1990 ~ts

STOCKHOLM (SEPT. 11) TASS - SOVIET HIJACKER MIKHAIL MOKRETSOV, WHO DIVERTED AN AEROFLOT PLANE TO SWEDEN, HAS BEEN SENTENCED TO FOUR YEARS IN PRISON BY THE COURT OF SOLLENTUNA, A STOCKHOLM SUBURB.

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#90254t1392 09/11/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT. 11) TASS - BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY DOUGLAS HURD ARRIVED IN MOSCOW TODAY FOR "TWO-PLUS-FOUR" TALKS ON THE SETTLEMENT OF EXTERNAL

ASPECTS OF GERMAN UNIFICATION, OPENING ON WEDNESDAY. HE WILL ALSO BE ON A WORKING VISIT TO THIS COUNTRY ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY AT THE INVITATION OF THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT.

DURING THE WORKING VISIT, HURD WILL HOLD TALKS WITH HIS SOVIET COUNTERPART EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE. THE TALKS, TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY, ARE EXPECTED TO COVER A WIDE RANGE OF ISSUES, ABOVE ALL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. THE FOREIGN SECRETARY IS ALSO EXPECTED TO MEET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV.

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#90254t1396 09/11/1990 ~ts

TOKYO (SEPT. 11) TASS - GOVERNOR OF JAPAN'S HOKKAIDO PREFECTURE, TAKAHIRO YOKOMICHI, INTENDS TO INVITE SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV TO COME TO THE CITY OF SAPPORO DURING HIS FORTHCOMING VISIT TO JAPAN NEXT APRIL.

THE KYODO TSUSHIN NEWS AGENCY SAID THAT YOKOMICHI, WHO VISITED THE SOVIET UNION IN JUNE, WILL SEND A WRITTEN INVITATION TO GORBACHEV THROUGH THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN JAPAN IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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#90254t1397 09/11/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT. 11) TASS - SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER ALEXANDER BELONOGOV TODAY MET THE AMBASSADORS OF WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES TO INFORM THEM ABOUT THE SEPTEMBER 9 SUPERPOWER SUMMIT IN HELSINKI.

HE SAID THE SUMMIT FOCUSSED ON WAYS TO FIND A POLITICAL SETTLEMENT TO THE GULF CRISIS THROUGH THE FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS.

"THE PRODUCTIVE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE SOVIET AND U.S. PRESIDENTS WILL HELP WORK OUT MEASURES TO SETTLE THE ACUTE CRISIS," BELONOGOV SAID. HE CALLED FOR ACTIVE EFFORTS BY THE ENTIRE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO THIS END.

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#90254u0154 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 11) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Texas at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Detroit at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.

Toronto at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
Oakland at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.
Minnesota at California, 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, 12:35 p.m.
Montreal at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
St. Louis at New York, 7:35 p.m.
Houston at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
Atlanta at San Francisco, 10:05 p.m.

SOFTBALL

North Mankato, Minn. - Men's Major Fast Pitch National Championships

TENNIS

Phoenx, Ariz., - $150,000 Arizona Classic
Tokyo - $150,000 Tokyo International Doubles

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#90254u0227 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 11) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	79	62	.560	-	45-26	34-36	5-5	L-1
Toronto	75	66	.532	4	37-34	36-33	8-2	W-5
Detroit	68	74	.479	11 1/2	34-37	34-37	5-5	W-2
Milwaukee	67	74	.475	12	34-38	33-36	5-5	W-1
Baltimore	63	76	.453	15	32-37	31-39	3-7	L-1
Cleveland	63	79	.444	16 1/2	34-37	29-42	3-7	L-1
New York	57	83	.407	21 1/2	31-38	26-45	1-9	L-5
West								
Oakland	89	51	.636	-	44-24	45-27	8-2	L-1
Chicago	80	60	.571	9	41-29	39-31	5-5	W-1
Texas	74	67	.525	15 1/2	43-29	31-38	8-2	W-6
California	70	71	.496	19 1/2	37-32	33-39	4-6	W-1
Seattle	70	71	.496	19 1/2	37-36	33-35	7-3	W-2
Kansas City	66	75	.468	23 1/2	40-30	26-45	1-9	L-8
Minnesota	65	77	.458	25	35-37	30-40	6-4	L-2

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#90254u0230 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 11) UPI - Iraq Monday offered Third World countries free oil... if they ship it themselves. An Iraqi spokesman said the offer does NOT violate the U- N embargo against Iraq because the oil is free. But the White House responded that the embargo applies to free goods as well as those which are bought. Crude oil prices on world markets dropped today.

Britain Monday added its voice to calls for Japan to kick in more money for the effort to isolate Iraq. Japan announced its one-BILLION dollar contribution last month after a drawn-out domestic debate. But the United States has reportedly asked for twice that amount. British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said Japan's contribution is ''a good start.''

Negotiators say they disagree on almost every point of a plan to reduce the national deficit. White House and congressional budget negotiators met only briefly Monday. They spent most of the day talking in party meetings. An aide to a Democratic negotiator says Republicans cling to what he called a capital gains ''tax break for the wealthy.'' A Republican aide said the G-O-P is waiting for the Democrats.

A man who was released from prison after setting fire to his son went back to prison in San Quentin, California, Monday. Charles Rothenberg was paroled in January after serving half of a 13-year prison sentence for attempted murder and arson. He was convicted of setting fire to a motel room where his six-year-old son was sleeping. Officials say Rothenberg violated his parole by misleading agents assigned to keep him from contacting his son.

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#90254u0239 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 11) UPI - The United States called Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's offer to supply the Third World with free oil a sign of desperation, while Secretary of State James Baker asked NATO countries to send ground troops to the Persian Gulf region.

The Iraqi News Agency INA reported Iraq and Iran had restored diplomatic ties two years after the end of bitter 1980-1988 gulf war and weeks after Iraq, seeking allies where it can find them, announced it would return Iranian prisoners of war and respect Iran's borders.

Saddam, unable to sell his crude because of U.N. sanctions imposed after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, made his oil offer Monday.

''We declare we are prepared to supply Third World countries with oil free of charge,'' an Information Ministry spokesman said on Iraqi television.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the U.N. sanctions do not ''delineate between free exchanges or those paid for.''

''If it's paid for or not, that's irrelevant and another indication of the desperation he is showing,'' Fitzwater said.

The press secretary called Saddam's offer ''a transparent attempt to deflect the focus of world attention from his blatant aggression against another country.''

''It is an affront to all countries for Saddam to think that they would sacrifice the principles of freedom and non-aggression for the Iraqi oil or the oil that he has taken through his naked aggression against Kuwait '' he said.

Saddam's offer - made a day after President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev declared they would work together to pressure Iraq out of Kuwait - was described as an act of solidarity with Third World nations whose economies were being hurt by oil prices driven high by the Persian Gulf crisis.

The Information Ministry spokesman said countries should apply to Iraq indicating the quantity and type of oil they want, and should then send their own ships to fetch it because Iraq would not be able to transport it.

A Western diplomat in Cairo called the offer ''a ploy'' by Saddam to win support from poor countries.

But the offer was welcomed by Jordan, according to the INA. It quoted Jordanian Prime Minister Moudar Badran saying, ''The move will foil efforts by some oil companies and oil-producing states to manipulate the situation to harm the economies of the Third World countries.''

In Brussels, Baker asked foreign ministers of NATO countries meeting Monday to step up sanctions against Iraq and send ground troops to the gulf region to bolster the multinational force assembled to counter Iraqi aggression.

He also asked the ministers to help Eastern European nations suffering economically because of the crisis.

NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner said the alliance's foreign ministers gave a ''favorable response'' to a long list of gulf aid requests from Baker, but gave no vows of additional ground forces.

European Community officials, also meeting in Brussels, said they may try to strengthen the embargo of Iraq by seeking U.N. sanctions against countries that fail to honor U.N. resolutions on Iraq.

Baker announced he would fly to Syria Thursday for talks about the gulf

crisis, despite U.S. criticism of Syria for supporting terrorism.

The secretary said Bush asked him to go to Damascus because Syria's opposition to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait graphically ''illustrates the isolation of Saddam Hussein.''

The U.S. secretary of state said he had received promises of aid from Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates totaling $12 billion through the end of the year.

Half the money, or $6 billion, will directly offset costs of the U.S. military deployment, with much of it representing ''in-kind'' contributions like food and water. In testimony to Congress last week, Baker said the Pentagon's additional costs this year from the deployment would be about $6 billion.

Other money from the oil-rich states will go largely to helping Egypt, Jordan and Turkey, three countries particularly harmed by economic sanctions on Iraq.

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#90254u0240 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 11) UPI - A study today says a decade of experience with the surgical procedure balloon angio-plasty has NOT helped reduce the number of complications. The study says the complications remain, despite improved technology. Balloon angio-plasty is an alternative to open heart surgery in which a thin tube is inserted in a blocked heart artery and inflated to open the passage.

A Cuban national pleaded guilty in Washington Monday to helping plan and carry out the 1976 car bomb assassination of the former Chilean Ambassador. Under a plea agreement.... Jose Dionisio Suarez can be sentenced to no more than 12 years in prison. F-B-I officials contended that Suarez and others were recruited by the Chilean secret police... who wanted the ambassador killed because he was a vocal critic of the Chilean government.

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#90254u0254 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 11) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	83	58	.589	-	42-29	39-30	8-2	W-1
New York	79	61	.564	3 1/2	47-22	32-39	4-6	W-1
Montreal	74	66	.529	8 1/2	39-28	35-38	6-4	W-2

Chicago	65	75	.464	17 1/2	33-38	32-37	3-7	L-2
Philadel.	65	75	.464	17 1/2	35-35	30-40	5-5	L-1
St. Louis	64	77	.454	19	32-40	32-37	4-6	L-1
West								
Cincinnati	79	60	.568	-	38-26	40-34	4-6	L-1
Los Angeles	74	67	.525	6	42-30	32-36	4-6	L-1
San Fran.	73	68	.518	7	40-29	33-38	6-4	W-3
San Diego	65	75	.464	14 1/2	35-39	28-37	4-6	W-2
Houston	63	77	.450	16 1/2	40-27	23-49	5-5	L-2
Atlanta	58	83	.411	22	33-38	24-45	7-3	L-2

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#90254u0281 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 11) UPI - A fast-moving brush fire that apparently was sparked by gunfire damaged five multimillion-dollar homes Monday and consumed more than 2,640 acres in a horse ranching area of northern San Diego County.

The homes, each worth between $1 million and $5 million, were thought to have been destroyed less than three hours after the fire was reported about noon in the Del Dios-Lake Hodges area, but when the smoke cleared, fire officials found the flames only damaged the structures.

California Department of Forestry spokeswoman Carol Stein said the most serious damage was a portion of a roof that caved in over a family room in one of the homes.

''We saved 30 or 40 homes,'' she said.

About 175 residents and scores of horses were evacuated, and the Del Dios Highway was closed. Three vehicles and two bulldozers were destroyed by the flames, and one firefighter injured a knee.

Most of the residents were allowed to return to their homes late in the afternoon.

Stein said the fire was 35 percent contained about 10 p.m. with full containment predicted for 6 p.m. Tuesday. There was no estimate of a time for control.

Officials said the fire was caused by some type of gunfire, but had no details.

About 600 firefighters from state and local departments battled the blaze, but were hampered by steep canyon terrain and temperatures soaring past 100 degrees.

The blaze at first spread quickly, moving from 50 acres at 2 p.m. to 1,500 acres by 3:40 p.m. Because winds were light, thick smoke from the fire rose up in a giant column visible from at least 20 miles away.

As late afternoon winds shifted in from the coast, the smoke spread easterly along canyons and valleys, prompting the Air Pollution Control Board to issue an air quality alert warning children and elderly people to stay indoors.

Animal rescue crews transported 25 Arabian horses from a breeding farm located in the heart of the fire.

More than 100 animals - mostly horses and donkeys - were rounded up for transport to a Humane Society shelter in Poway, but the fire blocked their path. The animals, instead, were moved to a boarding stable in Del Mar, where there is a thoroughbred race track.

A Red Cross emergency evacuation shelter for residents was set up at the Del Dios Middle School, but the shelter was closed late Monday after residents were permitted to return to their homes.

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#90254u0283 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 11) UPI - Don't count the Mets among the six of 10 New Yorkers who would rather live elsewhere.

The Mets, winning their eighth straight at home, did their part to make New York live up to its reputation as ''an exciting but dangerous place'' with a 10-1 pounding Monday night of the St. Louis Cardinals, led by Darryl Strawberry, who drove in three runs and scored twice.

''Being back at home gives me a feeling of comfort,'' Strawberry said.

A cover story in Time magazine headlined ''The Decline of New York'' said 59 percent of the city's residents would leave if they could and called it a place where violence ''is now lashing out randomly at anyone, anytime, even in areas once considered safe.''

The Mets, glad to be home after a 2-6 roadtrip that dropped them out of first place in the National League East, know better. Violence at Shea Stadium is reserved for the suprisingly fat pitches of visiting pitchers.

The Mets went 6-0 on their last homestand and grabbed a half-game lead over Pittsburgh. But then they went on the road, were swept in a three-game series by the Pirates and fell 3 1-2 back.

The victory begins a 10-game homestand that Manager Bud Harrelson calls ''vital.'' They are 47-22 at home.

Away from Shea, the Mets' offense has sputtered. They managed only four runs in six losses on their most recent trip.

''At home we seem to score early but on the road we just don't,'' Strawberry said. ''It's nice to get going in the right direction.''

Frank Viola, 18-9, scattered seven hits over eight innings while giving up one run, no walks, and striking out six.

''I gave them seven hits spaced out a little bit and no walks and made them earn whatever they got,'' Viola said.

Jose DeLeon, 7-16, lasted 5 1-3 innings, giving up eight hits and five earned runs. He walked two and struck out one.

Leading 1-0, the Mets took control with a three-run fourth. Dave Magadan led off with a single and Strawberry hit the first pitch over the center field wall for his 32nd home run of the season. Kevin McReynolds and Howard Johnson hit consecutive singles. McReynolds went to third on a flyout by Boston and scored on Mackey Sasser's RBI groundout.

''Strawberry is hot at just the right time for the Mets,'' St. Louis Manager Joe Torre said. ''How he hits will determine if the race goes to the wire or not.''

Elsewhere in the National League, the Mets downed the Cardinals 10- 1, The Pirates shanghaied the Phillies 3-2, the Expos knocked off the Cubs 7-4, the Padres stumped the Dodgers 5-2 and the Giants dropped the Braves 7-6 in 10 innings.

In the American League it was: Cleveland 3, Chicago 2 in the first game of a double header and Chicago 6, Cleveland 2 in the second; Boston 5, Milwaukee 4 in the first game of a double-header and Milwaukee 6, Boston 1 in the second; Texas 1, New York 0, in 11 innings; Detroit 8, Baltimore 0; Toronto 6, Kansas City 1; Seattle 5, Oakland 2; and California 3, Minnesota 1.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Pirates 3, Phillies 2

At Philadelphia, Bobby Bonilla's ninth-inning sacrifice fly scored Wally Backman and lifting the Pirates to their eighth win in 10 games. Joe Boever, 3-6, took the loss after walking Backman to open the inning. Stan Belinda, 3-4, went the last 1 2-3 innings for the Pirates and held off a

Phillies' threat in the eighth.

Expos 7, Cubs 4

At Chicago, Tim Wallach hit a pair of RBI singles, including the tie-breaker in the fifth, to spoil Mitch Williams' first National League start, lifting Montreal. Rookie Chris Nabholz, 5-0, won his fourth straight game despite falling behind 4-1 after two innings. Tim Burke came on with two out in the ninth to notch his 18th save.

Padres 5, Dodgers 2

At San Diego, Garry Templeton went four-for-four and pinch-hitter Phil Stephenson drove in the winning run with a fielder's choice in the seventh leading the Padres. The Dodgers are six games behind Cincinnati in the NL West. Juan Samuel hit two home runs for the Dodgers, giving him 10. Dennis Rasmussen, 10-13, went seven innings. Tim Crews, 2-5, surrendered two runs and three hits in one inning.

Giants 7, Braves 6, 10 innings

At San Francisco, pinch-hitter Robby Thompson's bunt single with one out in the 10th inning scored Kevin Mitchell to lift the Giants. Kent Mercker, 4-5, took the loss. Steve Bedrosian, 8-8, pitched the 10th inning for the victory.

-30- 4666

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

First Game

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Bradley dh	4	0	0	0	Jefferson cf	4	1	4	0
Fletcher 2b	4	0	0	0	Browne 2b	3	1	0	0
Calderon lf	3	1	1	0	CJames dh	4	0	2	2
Fisk c	4	1	2	1	Maldonado rf	4	0	0	0
Thomas 1b	4	0	2	1	Alomar c	3	0	1	0
Sosa rf	3	0	0	0	Cole Jr pr	0	1	0	0
Pasqua ph	1	0	0	0	Jacoby 1b	3	0	1	0
McCray rf	0	0	0	0	Brookens 3b	2	0	0	0
Johnson cf	3	0	0	0	Fermin ss	3	0	0	0
Grebeck 3b	2	0	0	0	Baerga ph	0	0	0	1
Karkovice ph	1	0	0	0	Webster lf	3	0	1	0
Ventura 3b	0	0	0	0					
Guillen ss	3	0	1	0					
Totals	32	2	6	2	Totals	29	3	9	3

Chicago	010 000 100- 2
Cleveland	000 001 011- 3

DP-Chicago 2, Cleveland 1. LOB-Chicago 4, Cleveland 7. 2B-Jefferson 2, Thomas, CJames, Calderon. HR-Fisk (16). S- Browne, Jacoby.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Hibbard	8	8	2	2	1	4
BJones (L 11-2)	1-3	1	1	1	3	0
Cleveland						
Swindell	8	6	2	2	1	5
DJones (W 5-5)	1	0	0	0	0	2

Swindell pitched to 1 batter in the 9th.

T-2:27.

Umpires-Home, Coble; 1b, Ford; 2b, Evans; 3b, Welke.

Second Game

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
LJohnson cf	5	0	1	0	Cole cf	4	0	0	0
Ventura 3b	4	0	1	0	Jefferson lf	3	1	1	0
Calderon lf	4	1	1	0	Baerga ss	4	1	1	1
Pasqua rf	2	1	1	0	Maldonad dh	4	0	1	1
Thomas ph	1	0	1	0	DJames 1b	4	0	2	0
Sosa rf	0	1	0	0	Jacoby 3b	3	0	0	0
Fisk dh	4	2	2	3	TWard rf	4	0	0	0
CMartinez 1b	4	0	2	2	Skinner c	2	0	0	0
Fletcher 2b	0	0	0	0	Browne 2b	1	0	0	0
Lyons 1b	4	0	1	0	McLemore 2b	2	0	1	0
Karkovice c	3	1	1	1	Alomar c	1	0	0	0
Totals	35	6	11	6	Totals	32	2	6	2

Chicago	300 100 020- 6
Cleveland	000 002 000- 2

E-Guillen. DP-Chicago 1, Cleveland 1. LOB-Chicago 4, Cleveland 6. 2B-Fisk, Baerga, Jefferson. HR-Karkovice (6), Fisk (17). CS-L Johnson. S-Karkovice.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						

King (W 9-4)		6	5	2	2	2	1
Pall		1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Patterson		0	0	0	0	1	0
Thigpen (S 49)	2	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Cleveland							
Nagy (L 0-4)	6	1-3	8	4	4	1	3
Orosco	1	2-3	3	2	2	0	3
Ward		1	0	0	0	0	1

King pitched to one batter in the 7th. Patterson pitched to one batter in the 7th.

Umpires-Home, Ford; 1b, Evans; 2b, Welke; 3b, Coble.

T-2:40. A- 4,781.

TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Pettis cf	4	0	0	0	Kelly cf	5	0	0	0
JoRussell ph	1	0	0	0	Sax 2b	3	0	1	0
Green ss	0	0	0	0	Maas 1b	4	0	0	0
Franco 2b	4	0	0	0	Hall rf	3	0	0	0
Palmeiro 1b	5	0	1	1	JeBarfield rf	2	0	1	0
Sierra rf	4	0	0	0	Nokes dh	3	0	0	0
Daugherty dh	3	0	0	0	Balboni dh	2	0	0	0
Gonzalez dh	1	0	0	0	Meulens lf	3	0	2	0
Incaviglia lf	4	0	1	0	Walewndr pr	0	0	0	0
Petralli c	3	0	0	0	Azocar lf	0	0	0	0
Stanley c	1	0	0	0	Cerone ph	1	0	0	0
Buechele 3b	4	0	2	0	Blowers 3b	3	0	1	0
Belcher pr	0	1	0	0	Tolleson pr	0	0	0	0
Kunkel cf	0	0	0	0	Velarde 3b	0	0	0	0
Huson ss	3	0	2	0	Leyritz c	4	0	1	0
					Espinoza ss	3	0	0	0
Totals	37	1	6	1	Totals	36	0	6	0

Texas	000 000 000 01- 1
New York	000 000 000 00- 0

DP-Texas 2. LOB-Texas 6, New York 9. 2B-Leyritz, Meulens 2. S-Espinoza, Huson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Chiamparino	7	4	0	0	1	4
Arnsberg	2-3	0	0	0	2	0

Rogers (W 8-5)	2	1-3	1	0	0	1	5
Mielke		2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Jeffcoat (S 4)		1-3	0	0	0	0	0
New York							
Eiland	8	1-3	4	0	0	1	5
Guetterman (L 9-6)	2	2-3	2	1	1	1	0

HBP-by Chiamparino (Meulens). WP- Chiamparino, Guetterman. T-3:13. A-17,
048.

Umpires-Home, Shulock; 1b, Merrill; 2b, McClelland; 3b, Denkinger.

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Phillips ss	5	1	1	0	Finley rf	4	0	1	0
Whitaker 2b	5	1	2	3	Ripken 2b	3	0	0	0
Fryman 3b	5	0	2	0	Ripken Jr ss	3	0	1	0
Bergman 1b	2	0	0	0	Gonzales ss	1	0	0	0
Fielder 1b	1	1	0	0	Kittle dh	3	0	0	0
Moseby lf	4	2	1	0	Worthngtn 3b	3	0	2	0
Sheets dh	3	0	0	0	Devereaux cf	3	0	0	0
Coles dh h	0	0	0	0	Melvin c	3	0	1	0
Shelby dh h	2	1	1	0	Anderson lf	3	0	0	0
Lemon rf	4	1	1	2	Segui 1b	3	0	1	0
Heath c	4	0	2	2					
Rowland c	1	0	0	0					
Cuyler cf	4	1	2	1					
Totals	40	8	12	8	Totals	29	0	6	0

Detroit	001 200 500- 8
Baltimore	000 000 000- 0

E-Segui. DP-Detroit 4. LOB-Detroit 9, Baltimore 3. 2B-Phillips, Cuyler,
Worthington. HR-Whitaker (17). SB- Cuyler (1), Moseby (16).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Tanana (W 7-7)	7	3	0	0	0	5
Henneman	1	1	0	0	0	0
Gleaton	1	2	0	0	0	1
Baltimore						
Harnisch (L 10-11)	6	9	6	5	2	4
Hickey	0	0	2	2	2	0
Milacki	2	2	0	0	0	0
Taylor	1	1	0	0	0	1

Harnisch pitched to 3 batters in the 7th, Hickey pitched to 2 batters in the 7th.

HBP-by Tanana (Ripken). WP-Taylor. T-3:11. A-20,688.

Umpires-Home, Reilly; 1b, Garcia; 2b, Hendry; 3b, Palermo.

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
Munoz rf	4	0	1	0	Polonia lf	3	1	2	1
Liriano 2b	1	0	0	0	Ray 2b	4	0	2	0
Gladden lf	4	0	2	0	Davis dh	2	1	0	0
Puckett dh	4	0	1	0	Winfield rf	4	0	3	1
Gaetti 3b	4	0	1	0	Stevens 1b	2	0	1	1
Harper c	4	0	1	0	Parrish c	4	0	1	0
Mack cf	3	0	2	0	Howell 3b	4	0	0	0
Larkin 1b	4	0	2	0	Schofield ss	3	1	2	0
Newman 2b	2	0	0	0	White cf	2	0	0	0
Castillo ph	0	0	0	0					
Hrbek 1b	1	0	0	0					
Leius ss	3	1	1	1					
Bush ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	35	1	11	1	Totals	28	3	11	3

Minnesota	000 000 100- 1
California	002 001 00x- 3

DP-Minnesota 3, California 3. LOB- Minnesota 10, California 8. 2B-Munoz, Mack, Schofield. HR-Leius (1). SB- Polonia (17).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
PAbbott (L 0-3)	6	10	3	3	6	3
Berenguer	2	1	0	0	1	1
California						
JAbbott (W 10-12)	7 2-3	11	1	1	2	1
Harvey (S 21)	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	2

HBP-by JAbbott (Gladden). T-2:38. A- 21,379.

Umpires-Home, Roe; 1b, Barnett; 2b, Kosc; 3b, Morrison.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - The three teenagers convicted of beating and raping a jogger in Central Park will receive tough sentences, possibly the maximum available for juveniles, news reports said Tuesday.

The teens, who were convicted Aug. 18 in the brutal crime that horrified New Yorkers and added to racial tension in the city, were scheduled to be sentenced Tuesday in state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

The Daily News and WNBC-TV reported Justice Thomas Galligan would throw the book at the three, Antron McCray, Raymond Santana and Yusef Salaam, all 16.

If given the maximum term of five to 10 years, they would be eligible for parole after five years.

The trio were convicted of rape, riot, robbery and assault in the April 19 1989, attack on the 30-year-old investment banker, and two others.

Meanwhile, two other defendants, Kharey Wise, 18, and Kevin Richardson, 15 - both of whom made videotaped statements about their involvement in the explosive case - will be tried together, with jury selection to begin Oct. 11, Galligan ruled Monday.

A sixth youth, Steve Lopez, who was fingered by the other defendants as the ringleader of the pack that went ''wilding'' through Central Park the night of the vicious attack, will be tried next year.

A large number of letters have poured into Galligan pleading with him to be lenient with the youths, but according to newspaper and television reports, the judge is expected to give the three the maximum terms available as juveniles.

Galligan also could allow the youths to be sentenced in Family Court, if he chose, where more lenient sentences are generally handed out. Attorneys indicated such a move was unlikely.

The youths were tried as adults, but must be sentenced as juveniles because they were under 16 at the time of their arrest.

All three youths are being held without bail in juvenile detention centers and will serve at least part of their sentence in juvenile prisons in upstate New York. They must be transferred to adult state prison at 21 but could be sent there sooner, depending on their behavior.

At the request of their families, two of the young men will have new lawyers during their sentencing and appeals. McCray will be represented by activist attorney C. Vernon Mason; Salaam's case will be handled by civil rights attorney William Kunstler.

The rape and beating of the Wall Street worker initially shocked the city, but polarized blacks and whites during the trial of the three youths. McCray and Santana both made videotaped statements about their involvement in the attack, while Salaam made statements to police, telling them the attack ''was fun.''

Nevertheless, their attorneys had argued that the statements were coerced, and that police rounded up the black youths indiscriminately, in a rush to bring the explosive case to a conclusion.

The victim - whose identity has generally been shielded from the public - was attacked as she went on a late-night run through Central Park, and then was left bloody and near-death for some four hours in a muddy gully off the jogging path.

She appeared as a prosecution witness against the three youths, but was unable to remember a single detail of the attack.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

ST LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Coleman lf	4	0	0	0	Jefferies 3b	4	0	0	1
OSmith ss	4	0	0	0	Herr 2b	3	0	1	1
Lankford cf	4	0	1	0	Magadan 1b	4	2	2	0
Guerrero 1b	4	0	1	0	Strawberry rf	5	2	3	3
Zeile 3b	4	1	1	0	McReynlds lf	4	2	2	1
Jose rf	4	0	1	0	HJohnson ss	3	2	2	0
Pagnozzi c	4	0	1	0	Boston cf	4	1	1	1
Oquendo 2b	3	0	3	1	Sasser c	3	0	0	1
Deleon p	2	0	0	0	Tabler ph	1	1	1	2
Dayley p	0	0	0	0	Obrien c	0	0	0	0
CWilson ph	1	0	0	0	Viola p	3	0	0	0
Dipino p	0	0	0	0	Teufel ph	1	0	0	0
Niedenfuer p	0	0	0	0	Franco p	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	1	8	1	Totals	35	10	12	10

St Louis 000 010 000- 1

New York 100 301 05x-10

E-H Johnson, Guerrero. DP-St Louis 2, New York 2. LOB-St Louis 6, New York 6. 2B-Magadan, Zeile, Guerrero, Strawberry, McReynolds, Herr. 3B-Oquendo. HR- Strawberry (32). SB-H Johnson (29).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St Louis						
Deleon (L 7-16)	5 1-3	8	5	5	2	2
Dayley	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Dipino	1	3	5	3	2	1
Niedenfuer	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Sherrill	1-3	0	0	0	1	1
New York						
Viola (W 18-9)	8	7	1	1	0	6
Franco	1	1	0	0	0	2

Dipino Pitched To Five Batters In The Eighth.

Umpires- Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, Marsh; 2b, Wendelstedt; 3b, West.

T-2:50. A-26,577.

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Redus 1b	4	1	3	1	Dykstra cf	5	0	0	0
Backman ph	0	1	0	0	Ready 2b	3	0	1	0
Lavalliere c	0	0	0	0	Meadows ph	1	0	0	0
JBell ss	4	0	0	0	Morandini 2b	0	0	0	0
King 3b	5	0	1	0	VHayes lf	3	0	1	0
Bonilla rf	3	0	1	1	Murphy rf	3	0	2	0
Bonds lf	5	1	1	1	Jordan 1b	3	0	0	0
RjReynlds cf	2	0	0	0	Kruk 1b	0	0	0	0
Slaught c	3	0	2	0	CHayes 3b	3	1	1	0
VanSlyke ph	1	0	0	0	RBooker 3b	1	0	0	0
Bilardello c	0	0	0	0	RMcDowell p	0	0	0	0
Bream 1b	0	0	0	0	Daulton c	4	0	1	1
Lind 2b	3	0	1	0	Thon ss	3	1	1	1
ZSmith p	3	0	1	0	Mulholland p	2	0	0	0
SCarter ph	1	0	0	0	Chambrln ph	1	0	0	0
Landrum p	0	0	0	0	Boever p	0	0	0	0
Reuss p	0	0	0	0	Hollins 3b	1	0	0	0
Totals	34	3	10	3	Totals	33	2	7	2

Pittsburgh	100 001 001- 3
Philadelphia	010 100 000- 2

E-King. DP-Pittsburgh 2, Philadelphia 1. LOB-Pittsburgh 11, Philadelphia 8. 2B-Daulton, Redus 2, Slaught. HR-Redus (5), Thon (8), Bonds (27). S-J Bell. SF-Bonilla.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Pittsburgh						
ZSmith	7	6	2	2	2	5
Landrum	1-3	1	0	0	1	0
Reuss	0	0	0	0	1	0
SBelinda (W 3-4)	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	1

Philadelphia						
Mulholland	7	8	2	2	3	0
Boever (L 3-6)	1	1	1	1	1	2
RMcDowell	1	1	0	0	0	0

Reuss Pitched To 1 Batter In The 8th. Boever Pitched To 1

Batter In The 9th.

WP-Reuss. HBP-Bonilla By Mulholland.

Umpires- Home, Crawford; 1b, Harvey; 2b, Demuth; 3b, Gregg.

T-2:54. A-18,970.

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Raines lf	5	0	0	0	Walton cf	5	1	3	0
Deshields 2b	3	2	1	1	Sandberg 2b	1	1	1	0
Galarraga 1b	5	1	1	0	GSmith 2b	2	0	1	0
TWallach 3b	5	1	2	2	DClark ph	1	0	0	0
Fitzgerald c	2	2	1	1	Grace 1b	3	1	1	1
Grissom rf	2	0	0	0	Dawson rf	4	0	1	2
LWalker rf	2	0	1	1	Salazar 3b	4	0	0	0
Roomes cf	1	0	1	1	Dunston ss	3	0	1	1
Nixon cf	3	0	0	0	Girardi c	4	0	0	0
Owen ss	3	1	2	0	Dascenzo lf	3	0	1	0
Nabholz p	2	0	0	0	MiWilliams p	1	1	0	0
Aldrete ph	0	0	0	0	Ramos ph	1	0	0	0
Mohorcic p	0	0	0	0	Long p	0	0	0	0
Burke p	0	0	0	0	Pavlas p	0	0	0	0
					DwSmith ph	1	0	0	0
					RKramer p	0	0	0	0
					Varsho ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	33	7	9	6	Totals	34	4	9	4

Montreal	013 021 000- 7
Chicago	310 000 000- 4

DP-Montreal 1. LOB-Montreal 8, Chicago 9. 2B-Walton. 3B-Roomes, L Walker, Dunston. SB-Deshields (37). S-Mohorcic. SF-Dunston, Deshields.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Nabholz (W 5-0)	5	7	4	4	4	4
Mohorcic	3 2-3	2	0	0	1	3
Burke (S 18)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Chicago						
Mi Williams	3	4	4	3	2	1
Long (L 6-1)	2	4	3	3	3	1
Pavlas	1	0	0	0	0	0
RKramer	3	1	0	0	2	1

Long Pitched To One Batter In The 6th.

PB-Girardi.

Umpires- Home, Pulli; 1b, Rippley; 2b, Darling; 3b, Froemming.

T-3:00. A-26,774.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Javier cf	2	0	1	0	Roberts 3b	5	0	2	0
Gonzalez lf	3	0	1	0	Faries 2b	4	1	0	0
Sharpersn 3b	3	0	0	0	TGwynn rf	3	2	1	0
Murray 1b	4	0	1	0	JaClark 1b	4	0	1	0
Brooks rf	4	0	0	0	Carter cf	4	1	1	0
Dempsey c	3	0	0	0	Santiago c	3	1	1	2
LHarris ph	1	0	0	0	Lynn lf	2	0	1	1
Samuel 2b	4	2	2	2	Abner cf	1	0	0	0
Griffin ss	3	0	0	0	Templeton ss	4	0	4	0
CGwynn ph	1	0	0	0	Rasmussen p	2	0	1	0
Morgan p	2	0	0	0	Stephensn ph	1	0	0	1
Vizcaino ph	1	0	1	0	GHarris p	0	0	0	0
Crews p	0	0	0	0					
Holmes p	0	0	0	0					
Walsh p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	31	2	6	2	Totals	33	5	12	4

Los Angeles	001 100 000- 2
San Diego	000 010 22x- 5

E-Sharperson, Dempsey, Brooks. DP-San Diego 1. LOB-Los Angeles 6, San Diego 14. 2B-Roberts, TGwynn. HR-Samuel 2 (10). SB-Roberts (39), Carter (18). S-TGwynn, Rasmussen. SF-Santiago.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Morgan	6	8	1	0	4	3
Crews (L 2-5)	1	3	2	2	1	0
Holmes	2-3	1	2	2	1	1
Walsh	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
San Diego						
Rasmussen (W 10-13)	7	6	2	2	3	3
GHarris (S 7)	2	0	0	0	0	3

HBP-by Morgan (Faries), by Rasmussen (Sharperson). WP-Holmes. T-2:55. A-11 729.

Umpires-Home, Bonin; 1b, Barnes; 2b, Tata; 3b, Quick.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
LoSmith lf	4	2	1	0	Butler cf	5	1	2	0
Treadway 2b	5	2	3	1	Bass rf	4	1	2	1
Gant cf	4	0	1	1	FOliveras p	0	0	0	0
Justice rf	5	1	3	1	Bathe ph	0	0	0	0
Gregg 1b	3	0	0	0	Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0
Grant p	0	0	0	0	WClark 1b	4	0	1	1
Castillo p	0	0	0	0	Mitchell lf	3	1	1	0
Lemke 3b	1	0	0	0	MaWillims 3b	4	0	2	1
Presley 3b	4	0	1	2	Riles 2b	2	0	0	0
Parrett p	0	0	0	0	Dewey p	0	0	0	0
Mercker p	0	0	0	0	Kennedy c	2	1	1	0
Whitt c	4	0	0	0	Manwaring c	2	0	0	0
Thomas ss	2	0	0	0	Laga ph	0	0	0	0
Blauser ss	1	0	0	0	Benjamin ss	1	1	0	0
Smoltz p	2	1	1	0	Uribe ss	2	0	0	0
MBell 1b	1	0	0	0	Leonard ph	0	0	0	0
					Garrelts pr	0	0	0	0
					Kingery rf	1	0	0	0
					RThmpsn ph	1	0	1	1
					DRobinson p	0	0	0	0
					Oneal p	1	0	0	0
					Litton 2b	3	1	2	2
					Parker 2b	0	1	0	0
Totals	36	6	10	5	Totals	35	7	12	6

Atlanta	300	300	000	0- 6
San Francisco	200	000	301	1- 7

One Out When Winning Run Scored.

E-Uribe, Whitt. DP-Atlanta 1, San Francisco 1. LOB-Atlanta 5, San Francisco 9. 2B-Justice. 3B-Justice. SB-Butler (41). CS-Mitchell. S-Smoltz Kennedy. SF-W Clark, Ma Williams.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Smoltz	6 1-3	7	5	5	2	4
Grant	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Castillo	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Parrett	1 2-3	1	1	0	1	2
Mercker (L 4-5)	2-3	3	1	1	3	0
San Francisco						
D Robinson	1	4	3	3	1	1
Oneal	3	5	3	2	2	2
Dewey	3	1	0	0	1	1
F Oliveras	2	0	0	0	0	3
Bedrosian (W 8-8)	1	0	0	0	0	0

WP-Mercker, Oneal. PB-Whitt.

Umpires- Home, McSherry; 1b, Montague; 2b, Davidson; 3b, C Williams.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - The Blue Jays are on a roll and the Red Sox are getting nervous.

One week ago Monday American League East-leading Boston held a 6 1- 2 game lead over second-place Toronto. After Monday night's 6-1 victory over the Kansas City Royals and Boston's split double-header with Milwaukee, Toronto is behind only four games, and Boston is concerned.

''There's no runaways,'' Boston manager Joe Morgan said. ''Everybody's been telling me how the Blue Jays are fighting among themselves and how they're all done. I don't buy it for a second.''

''It appears (Toronto's) never going to lose again,'' said Boston's Mike Marshall. ''We caught them at a down time, but in the last week they've come right at us.''

The Blue Jays have won five in a row, outscoring their opponents 25-6 during the string.

Both Boston and Kansas City gave credit to Toronto pitcher David Wells, 11-4, for the latest win. Wells allowed four hits over eight innings, striking out two and retiring the last 17 batters he faced. Wells refused to make self-aggrandizing comments in describing his performance.

''It was just going out there and throw the stinking ball,'' Wells said. ''I didn't know how many I'd gotten out in the row or anything. I just wanted to go out and pitch fast. I didn't want the fielder to get back on their heels or anything.''

Royals manager John Wathan was more generous.

''David Wells was outstanding,'' Wathan said. ''He pitched well against us before and has pitched well for them since they put him in the starting rotation.

''We didn't hit the ball well tonight but it was also a lot of David Wells.''

Wells gave up consecutive doubles to Brian McRae and George Brett in the first inning for the Royals only run, but allowed just two singles the rest of the way. He did not walk a batter and did not allow a baserunner after McRae reached on a fielder's choice two outs into the third inning.

''It's been along time since that happened, probably back in high school '' Wells said.

Wells was backed up by Kelly Gruber, who batted in four runs for a total of 96 this season. All of his RBI came off Royals starter Hector Wagner, 0-1, who was making his major league debut.

In other American League action, Texas blanked New York 1-0 in 11 innings, Cleveland edged Chicago 3-2 in the first game, Chicago defeated Cleveland 6-2 in the second, Boston shaded Milwaukee 5-4 in the first game, Milwaukee pounded Boston 6-1 in the second, Detroit pummeled Baltimore 8-0 Seattle beat Oakland 5-2, and California dropped Minnesota 3-1.

In the NL it was: New York 10, St. Louis 1; Pittsburgh 3, Philadelphia 2; Montreal 7, Chicago 4; San Francisco 7, Atlanta 6 in 10 innings; and San Diego 5, Los Angeles 2.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Rangers 1, Yankees 0, 11 innings

At New York, Rafael Palmiero's two-out single scored pinch-runner Kevin Belcher in the 11th inning to send the Texas Rangers to their sixth

straight victory. Left-hander reliever Kenny Rogers, 8-5, hurled 2 1-3 innings of one hit ball to pick up the win. Gary Mielke started the 11th and was touched by a leadoff single but induced Steve Balboni to hit into a double play.

Indians 3, White Sox 2, 1st game
White Sox 6, Indians 2, 2nd game

At Cleveland, Carlton Fisk homered and drove in three runs and Eric King won for the first time in over two months to help Chicago record a 6-2 victory over Cleveland and a split of their double-header. In the first game, Carlos Baerga walked with the bases loaded and one out in the ninth to give Cleveland a 3-2 victory. King improved to 9-4. Bobby Thigpen earned his 49th save of the season. Cleveland starter Charles Nagy fell to 0-3.

Red Sox 5, Brewers 4, 1st game
Brewers 6, Red Sox 1, 2nd game

At Boston, Greg Vaughn stroked a two-run double in the ninth lifting Milwaukee to a 6-1 victory over Boston and a split of their double-header. In the opener, Luis Rivera's two-run double ignited a four-run fourth inning, which carried the Red Sox to a 5-4 triumph over the Brewers. Milwaukee moved ahead 1-0 against Dana Kiecker, 6-8, in the second inning of the nightcap on Dave Parker's homer, his 21st, into the first row of the right-field seats.

Tigers 8, Orioles 0

At Baltimore, Lou Whitaker belted his 17th home run and drove in three runs to power Detroit. Frank Tanana, 7-7, scattered three hits over seven innings to collect his first victory at Baltimore since June, 1986. Tanana struck out five and walked none to outduel Pete Harnisch, 10-11.

Mariners 5, Athletics 2

At Seattle, Ken Griffey Sr. socked a three-run homer and Eric Hanson hurled a six-hitter to lead Seattle. Hanson, 14-9, pitched 8 2-3 innings, walking one and striking out 10, ending Oakland's seven-game winning streak. Keith Comstock got the final out for his second save. Athletics starter Bob Welch, 23-6, took the loss.

Angels 3, Twins 1

At Anahei, Calif. Dave Winfield had three hits and drove in a run to help Jim Abbott win his 10th game of the year, a 3-1 victory for California. Jim Abbott, 10-12, went 7 2-3 innings surrendering 11 hits and at least one hit in each of the eight innings he pitched. He walked two and struck

out one and he did not allow a run until the seventh inning thanks to defensive help as the Angels turned three double plays behind him.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Management and negotiators for the nine unions at the New York Post were set to conduct round-the-clock talks to save the troubled tabloid.

Post management opened its financial records to the accounting firm of Peat Marwick last weekend so the unions could verify publisher Peter Kalikow's claim that he is losing $27 million a year on the paper.

Kalikow has threatened to close down the newspaper Saturday if the unions do not make concessions that will help close the paper's financial gap.

''We have looked at the books and what the Post has told us about its losses is substantially true,'' said Geroge McDonald, president of the Allied Printing Trades Council which represents the unions, at a Monday press conference at the New York Newspaper Guild headquarters.

''But we have some questions and we have sent our accountants back to the Post to ask them. If the wrong answers come back, it could blow the talks out of the water.''

However, McDonald expressed confidence about negotiations, scheduled to begin Tuesday at the Sheraton Centre Hotel. Each union is expected to meet separately with Post negotiators and make concessions it deems necessary ''to save jobs for its members and their families and at the same time save the Post,'' he said.

''Every union is going to have to tighten up its belt to save the Post, it's that bad,'' McDonald said. ''They need relief or they will got out of business. We've only got five days. It could very well come to a cliffhanger.''

Theodore Kheel, a labor expert who is acting as union advisor, said it wasn't just a question of saving the Post but of finding a solution that will ''assure its future so it isn't just a matter of postponing the evil day.''

Kheel also has been involved with contract negotiations at one of the Post's main tabloid competitors, the Daily News, which is trying to obtain major contract concessions with its unions. Unionized workers at the News have been without a contract since March 30.

''New York needs its newspapers,'' Kheel said. ''It's already in danger of

losing the Daily News, a newspaper that seems to have a death wish.''

Kalikow has said he expects the unions to make concessions totaling $17 to $20 million so he can continue to publish the 189-year-old Post, the nation's oldest continuously published daily newspaper.

''We've come to the conclusion that, in principle, we're going to try to give them the relief that they're asking,'' McDonald said, adding that the unions would demand employee stock ownership and seats on the Post's board in return for any concessions.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - Wet weather stalled over Texas for the second day Tuesday, leaving northern sections of the state drenched with 4 inches of rain in 24 hours, while the West remained warm and clear skies covered the East.

Thunderstorms passed from eastern Kansas into Missouri Tuesday, carrying strong rains and winds gusting to 45 mph.

The storms damaged trees and knocked down power lines when they hit Barton County in southwestern Missouri and area residents were warned of high winds and frequent lightning.

In Texas, where storms caused dozens of highway accidents Monday, a flash flood watch was in effect for parts of north Texas, including the cities of Tyler and Waco, as a large area of showers and thunderstorms stretched out into the south central part of the state.

Heavy rains caused by a nearly stationary upper level disturbance that dumped up to 4 inches of rains into the region over 24 hours could drop another 4 inches of water during the day Tuesday.

Mostly clear skies dominated from western Pennsylvania through the Northeast Tuesday, but patches of dense and patchy fog were reported in some valleys and rural areas.

Weak high pressure kept most of the South in unsettled weather, with scattered thunderstorms easing the 90-degree heat. Winds of 45 mph and half inch hail were reported at Duluth, Ga. and three-quarters of an inch of rain fell on Bovina, Miss.

Southern California suffered through another hot day Monday, where the mercury soared to 114 in Palm Springs. Downtown Los Angeles recorded 95 degrees, but it was above 100 in most of the inland suburbs.

The mercury climbed to a near-record 107 degrees in Las Vegas Monday, 10 degrees above normal. High pressure will keep the heat on for the next several days under clear skies.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International: .

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is offering free oil to the Third World. Iraq can NOT sell its crude because of the U-N sanctions. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater calls the offer an act of desperation. He says the U-N embargo prevents Iraq from shipping oil, whether paid for or NOT.

Oil prices increased again yesterday. The price of U-S crude jumped more than one dollar a barrel, wiping out earlier losses. West Texas Intermediate crude closed in New York at 31 dollars 30 cents. The earlier decline was attributed to the lack of military action being decided on at the weekend summit meeting.

NASA engineers are recommending the space agency go ahead with its schedule for launching the shuttle Discovery around October 5th. The shuttle is to take the Ulysses probe into space. The date for Columbia's much-postponed flightstill is undecided. It could be announced today. September 17th or 18th is the target date.

At least six people were killed this morning by bomb explosions in a nightclub in Hong Kong. Police say three men overpowered a guard and tossed gasoline bombs into crowds of people. They escaped in a car. Police believe the attack was an act of revenge by one crime faction against another.

Turmoil is reported in the western African nation of Liberia. Liberian President Samuel Doe was reported killed by rebels. Two rival leaders both claim they are taking charge of the country. Witnesses told the British Broadcasting Corporation rebels on Bushrod Island put Doe's body on display.

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#90254u0392 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 11) UPI - Police in Charlotte, North Carolina, say a 27-year-old man shot and killed three people yesterday and then killed himself. A police officer says there had been friction between the killer, Joseph Belk, and the victims. The first person was shot at a construction site and the others, a married couple, at a their home.

Lieutenant Governor Evelyn Murphy has withdrawn from Massachusetts' Democratic gubernatorial primary. Murphy gained attention last week when she ordered cuts in state spending while Governor Michael Dukakis was overseas. Pre-election polls indicated Murphy was running last in the three-person race.

The House has decided a 1984 bill deregulating the cable television was a mistake. It has passed a bill to again require the Federal Communications Commission to regulate cable t-v prices. It also specifies minimum services that cable companies must provide. The bill now goes to the Senate.

A fast-moving brushfire burned more than four square miles yesterday in northern San Diego County in California. Five houses costing more than one-Million dollars each were damaged. About 175 people were evacuated along with livestock. Authorities say the fire was set off by gunfire.

A United Airlines D-C-10 with 206 people made a safe emergency landing at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport last night. The plane had taken off for San Francisco when the pilot heard a noise and one engine stopped. The excess fuel was dumped into Lake Michigan and the plane landed safely.

New York Mayor David Dinkins is defending his city against a magazine story titled ''The Decline of New York.'' A poll in connection with the article shows most New Yorkers want to live elsewhere. Dinkins admits crime is high in New York. But he said- ''It is still the greatest urban center in the world.''

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 11) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze met Tuesday to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis, disarmament and final details of German unification.

Baker arrived in Moscow Monday night from Brussels, where he briefed NATO allies on the Helsinki summit and asked for more help in the gulf. He is in Moscow for Wednesday's final ''two-plus-four'' negotiations on German unification.

Shevardnadze said Monday he was confident the final agreement between the four World War II victors - the United States, Britain, France and the Soviet Union - and East and West Germany could be signed Wednesday.

The Soviet foreign minister said before his talks with Baker Tuesday they planned to discuss the final details of the two-plus-four agreement as well as the gulf crisis and disarmament.

Asked about a comment by Baker Monday that a U.S.-Soviet agreement on troop levels in Europe was already outdated because of Soviet withdrawals from former East Bloc countries, Shevardnadze refused to say what he thought the new levels should be.

''This issue was discussed and figures were quoted'' at the Open Skies conference in Ottawa in February, Shevardnadze said. ''Maybe, it would be possible to leave them intact.''

The official Tass news agency, which carried the remarks, did not elaborate.

Shevardnadze also planned to meet foreign ministers from the other countries involved in the German unification talks prior to the official meeting Wednesday.

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DUBLIN, GA (SEPT. 11) UPI - A Middle Georgia high school football coach has been suspended for three days without pay for making a player strip to his underwear and T-shirt on the practice field.

The Dublin Board of Education voted 5-3 Monday to impose the suspension against second-year coach Ben Snipes, whose team has an 0-2 mark this season.

Snipes will be allowed to return to the school, about 50 miles southeast of Macon, Friday

The incident occurred Aug. 15 during a summer camp involving Dublin players. Junior Anthony Kellam refused to participate in a drill, saying he had an injured knee.

Snipes then ordered the player to take off his uniform immediately or, ''He said ... the coaches would,'' according to Kellam's mother, Sarah Kellam.

Kellam undressed to his underwear and a T-shirt and was then ordered to walk back to the dormitory. But a booster club member intervened and drove Kellam home.

Kellam quit the team and has not returned to the squad.

The school board called the action ''unprofessional conduct'' and cited Snipes for ''failure to properly provide for the safety and well- being of the students places in his charge.''

Snipes was not available for comment.

Despite the action taken Monday against the coach, Sarah Kellam still believes Snipes should have been fired.

''I don't feel good at all,'' she said. ''It's not over.''

Nearly two weeks ago, Dublin Principal Norman Jarrard ordered Snipes to apologize in person to Kellam, his sister and his mother. However, no meeting took place.

Last season, the Georgia High School Association placed Dublin on ''severe warning'' and fined the school $1,000 for using an illegal volunteer coach who was not an employee of the school system.

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PARIS (SEPT. 11) UPI - France is renting four ships to the United States to ferry American troops to the Persian Gulf, Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said Tuesday.

Dumas also told Radio Monte Carlo that ''France will make available ... several military airplanes'' to help ferry stranded refugees out of Jordan.

He said France was making ''a big effort'' to help the refugees, mostly foreign workers fleeing the region after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait. Monday, an Air France jetliner started taking Bangladeshi refugees home from Jordan's capital Amman.

Asked about a U.S. request by allies to provide more assistance to the U.S.-led multinational force in the region, Dumas said, ''France has already responded positively, since we have given our accord to renting four ships allowing the transport of American troops in the zone.''

The French announcement came as Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement, accused of being too pro-Iraqi and insufficiently hawkish in the crisis, defended his policy saying, ''when you have to take responsibility for human lives, you have to think twice.''

''My idea of a responsible politician is that one must never jump into a void,'' Chevenement said in an interview with TF1-television Monday night. ''You have to keep your head on your shoulders.''

Chevenement's stance has been out of step with strident statements by Prime Minister Michel Rocard and Dumas.

President Francois Mitterrand personally endorsed Chevenement last week.

But political sources say the embattled defense minister may resign, not least because of his jockeying for position on the left of the Socialist Party.

''Events of the last month show that good sense has prevailed and it is best for the French to have a defense minister with a certain sang-froid '' Chevenement said.

In an another development, France's hard-line Communist Party criticized the Soviet Union for not proposing ''political and peaceful solutions'' during the Helsinki summit with President Bush in Helsinki Sunday.

''Our fears and disappointments are unfortunately confirmed by the proposals of Mr. Baker indicating that the common declaration does not exclude the use of force,'' said Maxime Gremetz, a member of the French Communists' Politburo.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - The State Department says information on the death of Liberian President Samuel Doe is sketchy, and it's NOT clear who is in charge in the West African nation. Witnesses say Doe died in a rebel camp where he was taken after being wounded and captured by Prince Johnson's forces Sunday. News reports say it's impossible to confirm the eyewitness reports, but say they're ''almost certainly true.''

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BONN, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 11) UPI - West German Foreign Minister Hans Dietrich Genscher and junior Finance Minister Horst Koehler left Bonn Tuesday for final German unification negotations in Moscow, officials said.

Genscher was to meet with his East German, British, French, Soviet and U.S. counterparts for what is expected to be the last round of negotiations known as the two-plus-four talks on the external aspects of German unification.

The foreign ministers of the two Germanys and the four World War II victorious powers are widely expected to sign an agreement, giving the final go-ahead for Oct. 3 unification.

Genscher left Bonn Tuesday with Koehler. Genscher and his Soviet counterpart, Eduard Shevardnadze said they were confident the agreement will be signed Wednesday at the formal session of the talks in Moscow, the fourth ministerial session in the two-plus-four process, which was devised in February.

A series of bilateral meetings were planned Tuesday, in advance of the formal negotiations.

The major hurdle toward agreement on external aspects of unification was cleared when Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev dropped his objections to a united Germany being a member of NATO.

During a meeting in the Soviet Union in July, Gorbachev and West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl also agreed no NATO troops will be stationed in East Germany until the withdrawal of Soviet forces ends in the next four years.

The agreement also entailed that no nuclear weapons would be deployed on East German territory.

But negotiations appeared to hit a snag last week when the Soviet Union asked for guarantees no dual-capable systems will be deployed on East German territory. Such systems are often armed with conventional weapons, but can also be used with nuclear missiles.

In closely linked talks, Soviet and West German authorities were negotiating the financial participation of a united Germany in the massive cost of withdrawing the 380,000 troops now stationed in East Germany.

Koehler was to discuss final details of the bilateral ''transition agreement,'' which officials in Bonn and Moscow said was almost ready to

be signed.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - Sub and C O R R E C T:

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President Bush gets a chance tonight to report on his summit with Soviet President Gorbachev, and to re-state the main reasons for U-S involvement in the Persian Gulf. He addresses a joint session of Congress in a speech that aides say will focus on points of U-S-Soviet agreement. Bush also is expected to lay out again the rationale for U-S intervention in the Gulf, in a bid to sustain popular support for the move. .

Secretary of State Baker asked NATO foreign ministers meeting in Brussels yesterday to step up sanctions against Iraq. He also wants NATO ground troops sent to the Persian Gulf to bolster the multi-national force being formed to counter Iraqi aggression. Baker is in Moscow and plans to fly to Syria Thursday for more talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. .

Washington has criticized Syria in the past for supporting terrorism. But Baker says President Bush asked him to go to Damascus because Syria's opposition to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait illustrates the isolation of Iraq's President Saddam Hussein.

Illinois Governor James Thompson denied a clemency petition for condemned killer Charles Walker, clearing the way for the state's first execution in nearly three decades. Walker is to receive a lethal injection shortly after midnight tonight... for killing a couple during a robbery in 1983. Yesterday, convicted killer Charles Coleman became the first person executed in Oklahoma in 24 years.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - President Bush addresses Congress and the American people tonight on the Persian Gulf crisis. He will go beyond the statement he and Soviet President Gorbachev made at the end of their Helsinki summit conference on Sunday.

Iraq is offering to give oil to Third World nations. The White House calls the offer evidence of Baghdad's desperation. Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater adds that even if it is free, the oil would violate U-N sanctions against Iraqi exports.

White House and congressional budget negotiators have missed their midnight deadlines for making tough decisions to reduce the deficit. They talked past then, but came up empty handed. An aide to a Democratic negotiator said- ''There are problems everywhere.'' Talks resume today.

Negotiators for nine unions are beginning round-the-clock talks today in an effort to save the New York Post. The newspaper's publisher threatens to close the 189-year-old daily paper on Saturday if the unions do NOT help reduce its financial losses.

Three teen-agers convicted of beating and raping a woman jogger in New York's Central Park will be sentenced today. They face maximum sentences of five to 10 years in prison. Three other defendants are to be tried later.

Charles Rothenberg, who served six years for nearly killing his six-year-old son by setting him on fire, is behind bars again. Rothenberg was returned to California's San Quentin Prison yesterday for violating parole.

Illinois Governor James Thompson has denied clemency for a convicted murderer. Thompson's action clears the way for the execution tomorrow of Charles Walker. It will be Illinois' first execution since 1962.

A group of Chicago officials who are experts on crime leave tomorrow to advise Soviet officials. Richard Ward, a University of Illinois criminology professor, says economic changes have increased Soviet crime.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

Japan is reportedly considering sending up to 2,000 unarmed Japanese troops and civilians to the Middle East in non-combat roles. A Japanese Foreign Ministry spokesman refused to confirm the reports but said a ''hot discussion is going on'' within the government on the issue. Australia, meanwhile, says it will use force against ships breaking embargo and a British envoy is scheduled to travel from Baghdad to Kuwait to arrange the next mercy flight of hostages.

(WASHINGTON) - The United States calls Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's offer to supply the Third World with free oil a sign of desperation, while Secretary of State James Baker asks NATO countries to send ground troops to the Persian Gulf region. Baker also is asking the ministers to help Eastern European nations suffering as a result of the gulf crisis.

NEW YORK - President Bush drops longstanding U.S. opposition to Soviet involvement in Middle East peace efforts during his weekend meeting with President Mikhail Gorbachev. The New York Times quotes administration officials as saying Bush invited Moscow to play a greater diplomatic role in the region, and agreed to consider working with the Soviet Union on problems like the Arab-Israeli conflict.

WITH THE U.S FORCES IN SAUDI ARABIA - U.S. troops from the lowliest foot soldier to the highest ranking commander are pondering their roles in the Persian Gulf crisis. While protecting oil and international law are the basic reasons for the buildup of troops in Saudi Arabia, many U.S. personnel are wondering deeply whether it would be sweet and fitting to die in defense of such concepts.

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WASHINGTON - A federal energy expert says U.S. refineries should be able to meet demand for gasoline and heating oil this year, but there may be ''localized shortages'' of motor fuel in the months ahead. The warning by Calvin Kent, head of the Energy Information Administration, reflects growing concern about the loss of refined products from Kuwait and Iraq.

BAGHDAD, Iraq - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz flys home from Iran

after winning agreement on a restoration of diplomatic relations between the two adversaries in the 1980-1988 Persian Gulf War. Although Aziz received a formal welcome in Tehran, Iranian authorities refused to fly the Iraqi flag and continued to insist that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait.

CAIRO, Egypt - Arab League ministers have agreed to move the organization's headquarters from Tunis to Cairo in a vote that symbolized the rift between the member states over the Iraqi crisis. All 12 of the 21-member Arab League foreign ministers who arrived in Cairo for the Monday evening conference unanimously approved the move to Cairo. Nine member states boycotted the meeting to show they opposed aligning the league more closely with Egypt.

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NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 11) UPI - Mike Cofer saved his best kick for the best moment, one that probably should never have happened.

Cofer hit on a 38-yard field goal with 12 seconds remaining Monday night to propel the San Francisco 49ers to a 13-12 victory over the New Orleans Saints.

That kick came after Cofer had missed three others from 47, 51 and 55 in the game, and after the Saints had blown three opportunities with less than 5 minutes remaining in the game to run out the clock while leading 12-10.

On each possession, the Saints could not muster a first down, giving the ball back to the Niners and giving Joe Montana another chance to pull out the win.

''I think if we had gotten a couple of first downs toward the end, we would have won the football game,'' said a dejected Saints Coach Jim Mora.

The bottom line, said Niners Coach George Seifert was that his team got the job done when it counted.

''The thing at the end of the ball game, our wide receivers and Joe came through as they've done so many times and somehow they got it done,'' said Seifert.

After stopping the Saints with 1:30 left, Montana, who had been sacked six times in the game, led San Francisco downfield with a patented heartstopping drive.

''We came from behind at the end,'' Montana said, ''and showed a little bit of character and pulled it. But I'm not happy with the way I played. I

know that.''

On first down from the 49er 19, Montana connected with John Taylor for 25 yards to the 44. Three plays later, with 35 seconds remaining and facing a third-and-6 at his 48, Montana hit Roger Craig for 11 yards to the Saints 41. On the next play, the quarterback found a streaking Jerry Rice on a post pattern for a 20-yard gain that carried to the New Orleans 21.

''They had the intention of just taking me out of the ballgame,'' said Rice, who had only one other catch all night. ''But I just kept working all night long.''

Two plays after Rice's key catch, Cofer booted the game-winner.

Cofer said the game-winner was similar to one he had missed earlier.

''I felt it was going to get to the pole before it had a chance to get outside of it,'' Cofer said.

The Saints had held a 9-3 halftime lead, but that was quickly erased after the two teams traded turnovers at the beginning of the third quarter.

Montana led the Niners 80 yards in nine plays, capping the drive with a missed-direction toss on third down from the New Orleans 4 to Brent Jones, who was wide open in the endzone. The extra point gave San Francisco the 10-9 lead in the third quarter.

Morten Andersen had put the Saints up 12-10 midway through the fourth quarter when he hit on a 32-yard field goal.

San Francisco got its only points of the first half after Keith DeLong recovered a fumbled punt return by Bobby Morse at the New Orleans 32. Three plays later, Cofer connected on a 52-yard field goal, tying his personal best, to give the Niners the early 3-0 lead.

John Fourcade connected with Brett Perriman on a 24-yard completion and Eric Martin for 18 yards, to help move New Orleans to the San Francisco 26. The drive bogged down from there, and Andersen connected on a 41-yard field goal.

Early in the second quarter, San Francisco faced a third and 2 at their 18 when a Montana pass was tipped by New Orleans linebacker Vaughan Johnson into the hands of defensive back Toi Cook.

The 49ers stiffened, and Andersen hit on a 39-yard field goal for the 6-3 New Orleans lead.

The Saints got a field late in the first half when Fourcade went 4- for-4

for 49 yards on a drive that consumed just 1:25. Andersen hit his third field goal of the half, this one from 28 yards out with 3 seconds remaining, to give the Saints the 9-3 lead.

Motana finished the game 26-of-43 for 184 yards while Fourcade was 12-of-34 for 180 yards.

Andersen's 4-for-4 field goal performance moved him back into first place on the all-time kicking accuracy list, with a 77.43 percentage, compared to 77.40 for Nick Lowery of Kansas City.

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NEW CANAAN, CT (SEPT. 11) UPI - Volunteers visited refugee camps in Jordan Tuesday to help plan two more airlifts of medicines and supplies for tens of thousands of people who fled the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, relief workers said.

AmeriCares, a private foundation which shipped 70,000 pounds of supplies to Jordan last weekend, said it had chartered cargo jets and would make additional flights to Jordan Thursday and Saturday.

Scheduled to leave Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks, the airlifts will help ease ''horrendous'' conditions with donated supplies gathered by the non-profit group, officials said.

Last weekend's airlift ''went beautifully,'' although AmeriCares officials who made the trip to Amman, Jordan, had encountered bureaucratic problems in getting the supplies distributed, said spokesman Steve Norman.

The supplies that left Bradley on Saturday were valued at about $1 million and included food, medicines, water, blankets and materials to build shelters.

The non-profit foundation shipped the supplies to aid the tens of thousands of refugees who have fled into camps along Jordan's border since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

AmeriCares also has airlifted supplies to earthquake victims in Iran and the Philippines this year, while aiding past quake victims in Armenia, Mexico and El Salvador.

The foundation completed the first airlifts to Romania following the revolution to deliver medicines to hospitals where pediatric AIDS patients were being treated.

Each airlift costs between $200,000 and $250,000, and AmeriCares made four

to Iran and three to the Philippines earlier this year, Norman said.

Since it was founded in 1982, AmeriCares estimates it has shipped $365 million worth of medicines and other supplies to people in need in a total of 53 countries.

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#90254u0763 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 11) UPI - The city, desparate to find backers for $375 million in loans needed to stave off bankruptcy, has received a partial vote of confidence from a Swiss bank.

Swiss Bank Corp. Monday agreed to back $50 million worth of the notes, far short of the needs of Mayor Wilson Goode's administration.

City officials and their financial management team, headed by Merrill Lynch Capital Markets, are trying to persuade two other banks to guarantee additional notes, The Philadelphia Inquirer reported Tuesday.

The city's dire financial situation has scared away bankers. City officials have said the city can last no later than January without the cash infusion.

A consortium of foreign banks backed out of a deal after the city failed to find local banks willing to participate.

''We cannot reconcile the associated risk with our bank's ongoing responsibilities to stockholders and other important constituencies,'' said the Reading, Pa-based Meridian Bank, the only one of four local banks to comment publicly.

The lack of guarantors has forced City Hall to trim the note sale from the originally proposed $450 million down to $375 million. The sale itself has also been postponed several times but is expected to take place this week.

The loans are needed to cover the shortfall in revenue until business and property taxes pour in next year. The city has projected a $206 million budget deficit for the current fiscal year which ends next June.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - Secretary of State Baker is in Moscow for tomorrow's final ''two- plus-four'' negotiations on German unification. He met with Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze to discuss German unity, the Persian Gulf crisis and disarmament. Baker arrived last night from Brussels, where he briefed NATO allies on the Helsinki summit, and asked for more help in

the Gulf.

Japan may send UNarmed troops and civilians to the Middle East to provide medical care and other support for peace-keeping forces in the Persian Gulf. Japanese news reports say the Tokyo government is considering sending one-thousand to two-thousand people. A Foreign Ministry spokesman refuses to confirm the reports.

Budget talks between White House and congressional negotiators appear to be moing slowly. The talks at Andrews Air Force Base near Washington broke off early this morning with NO agreement on how to achieve a 500-BILLION-dollar reduction in the deficit. The negotiations resume this morning.

12 more people have been killed in the ongoing violence in black townships near Johannesburg that has claimed more than 600 lives in six weeks. Police say the latest victims were hacked and stabbed to death in an eastern township. The South African government and the African National Congress meet today to discuss the worsening situation.

Former Arizona Governor Evan Mecham attempts a comeback today in a five-way battle for the Republican gubernatorial nomination in the Arizona primary. Polls show Mecham running well behind businessman Fife Symington. Mecham was impeached and removed from office in 1988, after being convicted by the Senate of misuse of an office protocol fund.

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#90254u0788 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 10: Purchases of 371,325 shares and sales of 535,385 shares including 54,488 shares sold short.

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#90254u0796 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - American Airlines President Robert Crandall says failure to win the right to fly lucrative Chicago-to-Tokyo and Los Angeles-to-Tokyo air routes will doom his company to a minor role in the Pacific air market.

''Life would go on,'' Crandall said Monday after he argued American's case before the Department of Transportation in Washington.

''But the fact of the matter is if we don't get the Chicago-Tokyo and L.A.-Tokyo routes the American would be relegated for most of the decade of the '90s to being a niche carrier in the Pacific.''

Deputy Assistant Transportation Secretary Patrick Murphy will decide whether to go along with an administrative law judge's recommendation that United Airlines be awarded the Chicago route and Delta Air Lines get the Los Angeles route.

During the hearing, Crandall criticized a recommendation that American be awarded only one of the six routes it is seeking between the United States and Japan. The department's public counsel earlier had recommended American get the Chicago route.

Crandall also repeated American's assertions that administrative law judge John Mathias had yielded to political pressure from Illinois officials who backed United, which is based in Chicago.

''In establishing this case, the department said it intended to maximize competition and to award new authority to carriers which have limited rights to Japan,'' Crandall said. ''There is no competitive rationale whatsoever for giving United rights to fly from Chicago. In fact, doing so will clearly reduce competition.''

American, based in Fort Worth, Texas, is waging a fierce battle for a market share at Chicago's O'Hare Airport, United's home field, where both airlines maintain hubs.

Crandall testified that United already operates 79 round-trip flights between the United States and Tokyo each week and has the authority to fly another 35 round trips.

Giving United six of the 18 trips now under consideration runs counter to the government's stated goal of increasing competition in the airline industry, he said.

Should American fail to win either the Chicago or Los Angeles routes, the carrier probably would continue its expansion plans on routes to Europe and Latin America, Crandall said.

Representatives of United and Delta Monday urged Murphy to follow Mathias's recommendations.

Joel Burton, an attorney for United, said the decision in favor of United would reduce intergateway competition between Chicago and Dallas- Fort Worth Airport, where American currently operates its only service to Tokyo.

Burton also criticized American's performance on the DFW-to-Tokyo run, noting that American has to cancel its daily flight when one of its two Boeing 747SP aircraft is grounded for maintenance.

Delta attorney James Weiss made the same point in arguing that American should not be given the Los Angeles-Tokyo route.

He said giving Delta the route would be the best way to help the United States gain a bigger share of the huge L.A.-to-Tokyo traffic. Japanese airlines now carry about 75 percent of the passengers on that route.

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#90254u0799 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 11) UPI - A federal judge in California dealt the National Rifle Association a blow yesterday. The N-R-A sued to have California's ban on the sale of assault weapons declared UNconstitutional. But Judge Edward Price denied the request, saying the ban does NOT violate the right to bear arms guaranteed under the U-S Constitution.

The National Institutes of Health has created a women's health office to ensure that females are NOT ignored in medical research. The new office is a response to charges that some research is sexist. A congressional probe found that studies of important health problems such as heart disease focused on men... despite a strong possibility the disease affects men and women differently.

Heavy rain drenched Seoul and neighboring provinces in South Korea again today, claiming more casualties and causing more property damage. The government's Central Disaster Relief Center says 32 people have been killed since the rainstorm began on Sunday. 11 people are missing. More than 53-hundred houses are flooded.

Forecasters say Hurricane Isidore gained strength during the night and is now swirling northwest through the Atlantic at about six miles- an-hour. Maximum sustained winds are near 85 miles-an-hour. The hurricane is currently about one-thousand-60 miles southwest of the westernmost Azores Islands in the North Atlantic.

The House voted yesterday to partially restore regulation of the cable television industry. The bill was passed on a voice vote and sent to the Senate. It's a response to increasing consumer complaints about steep cable t-v rate increases and poor service.

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#90254u0825 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - The nation's current account deficit - a broad measure of trade in goods, services and investments - edged up 0.8 percent to $21.84 billion in the second quarter of 1990, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

Private analysts expected a slightly smaller increase.

In the first quarter of the year, the current account deficit stood at a revised $21.67 billion, according to statistics compiled by the department's Bureau of Economic Analysis.

The first quarter figure was the lowest for the current account deficit since a shortfall of $21.30 billion during the first quarter of 1985, a Commerce Department spokesman said.

For the first six months of the year, the deficit was running at an estimated $43.5 billion, the lowest shortfall since the fourth quarter of 1983 and the first quarter of 1984, the spokesman added.

''In the second quarter, a further decrease in the merchandise trade deficit was more than offset by a shift to a deficit on investment income and an increase in net unilateral transfers,'' the government said.

Net unilateral transfer is the movement of a wide variety of assets overseas, from U.S. government grants to money sent to relatives living abroad.

The Commerce Department said the merchandise trade deficit decreased to $22.58 billion in the second quarter from $26,28 billion in the first quarter, a drop of 14.1 percent.

The balance on services - a surplus - was virtually unchanged at $6 billion, while the balance on investment income slipped to a deficit of $637 million from a surplus of nearly $2 billion, the department said.

Direct investment in the United States by foreigners edged down from $5.54 billion in the first quarter to $5 billion in the second quarter, a decline of nearly 9.6 percent, the government said.

All the figures in the report were adjusted to reflect seasonal factors.

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#90254u0855 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 11) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze says he believes a final agreement on German unification will be signed in Moscow tomorrow. This is called the ''Two-plus-Four'' pact. The two Germanys are involved along with the four allied nations that won World War Two and which technically still have a say over Germany. Secretary of State Baker arrived in Moscow last night for the signing. One obstacle to a united Germany was cleared with an agreement that West Germany will pay toward removing Soviet troops from East Germany. How much money is NOT known.

A federal energy expert says U-S refineries should be able to produce enough gasoline and heating oil. But the expert, Calvin Kent, says there may be local shortages of gasoline in the coming month. Kent heads the Energy Information Administration. An unidentified oil executive says oil supply should catch up with demand. He says OPEC nations are making up for the Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil which is cut off by the U-N embargo.

A Canadian official says there will be NO negotiations about Indian land claims as long as some militant Mohawks are holed up on a reservation in Quebec. Indian Affairs Minister Tom Siddon said there will be NO amnesty for any Indians accused of crimes. The standoff between the Mohawks and Canadian government has gone on for eight weeks.

Brian Keenan, a hostage recently freed in Lebanon, believes fellow hostage Terry Waite is alive. Waite is an envoy for the Church of England who was taken captive nearly four years ago. Keenan says he was held in a cell near Waite and heard his British accent, although he NEVER saw him. Keenan an Irishman, was released last month.

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#90254u0859 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 11) UPI - 12 people were stabbed or hacked to death yesterday in fighting between black factions in a township near Johannesburg, South Africa. Witnesses reported gunfire between residents and migrant workers living in a hostel. A police spokeswoman says police also came under fire. The African National Congress and the government open talks today on curbing South Africa's widespread violence.

Since the first bodies were found in Gainesville, Florida, authorities have refused to say if any victims were sexually assaulted. Yesterday, an investigator admitted analysts are doing D-N-A tests on semen samples as well as blood. He gave NO other details. Five young people were killed in Gainesville, site of the University of Florida. Authorities say they have eight possible suspects.

It will cost more to pop your cork. A French champagne producer says prices probably will rise 10 to 20 percent next year because of a jump in grape prices in eastern France. Grapes have gone up 20 percent. Champagne consumption has been on the rise, except in the United States where it is falling.

The yoga controversy has ended in Toccoa, Georgia. City and county commissioners ruled last night yoga is a religion and approved cancellation of yoga classes in a local recreation center. But the commissioners also voted to let private religious groups rent city and county recreation facilities for meetings and classes. A chiropractor who called the classes government-sponsored devil worship said- ''We're

satisfied.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $378.80, silver base of $4.77 and platinum price of $453.00:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$394.40	400.20
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	202.40	205.30
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	103.90	105.40
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.90	43.60
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	394.40	400.20
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	202.40	205.30
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	104.40	105.90
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.90	43.60
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	400.80	406.70
China Panda .50 troy oz.	206.50	209.50
China Panda .25 troy oz.	107.10	108.70
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.20	46.90
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.60	28.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	394.60	400.30
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	201.60	204.10
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	101.90	103.30
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.90	44.50
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	392.60	398.80
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	203.30	207.40
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	104.30	105.90
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.40	45.10
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	392.40	399.10
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	201.80	205.20
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	85.60	87.00
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.80	45.60
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	22.90	23.20
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.17	$6.19
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,460	$3,480
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,500	$1,500
Platinum		
Australian Koala	474.00	494.00
Isle of Man Noble	463.00	483.00

Canada Maple Leaf	474.00	500.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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KATY, TX (SEPT. 11) UPI - An abandoned newborn baby girl who lay by the side of a rural road for 12 hours covered with fire ants in a plastic bag was recovering in a hospital Tuesday, a day after she was found.

The infant was discovered Monday after her 19-year-old mother told police she had given birth and left the child along a Waller County road. The 6-pound, 12-ounce baby was found 12 hours later, covered with fireants in a plastic bag, authorities said.

The child survived in part because ''there was a periodic rain, and it was a cloud-covered day,'' said San Felipe Police Chief Clyde Grimet. ''I guess God meant it to be that way.''

The infant was in fair condition at Katy Community Hospital. The mother, whose name has not been released, also was admitted to the hospital for observation.

Grimet said an Austin County deputy noticed the woman about 7 a.m. at Stephen F. Austin State Park and spotted blood on the outside of her car.

Inside the car, he found more blood and the afterbirth. The deputy called for an ambulance and the woman was taken to the hospital, where her story began to unfold.

''We didn't even know there was a baby until we took the afterbirth to the doctor. We just thought there was a miscarriage,'' Grimet said.

The baby was found after an extensive search and was taken to the hospital ''kicking, screaming and hollering,'' he said.

''She didn't know what to do,'' Grimet said of the mother, who he described as confused. ''She gave birth to the child in Waller County, left the baby there, then drove to the bridge where the deputy spotted her.

''She maintained that there was no sign of life. She said she just found the bag on the side of the road and put her in it. Fortunately, she didn't seal the bag, or she just didn't have any method to seal the bag up.''

''The deputy and the police department were just elated at the fact the

baby was still alive,'' she said. ''The enthusiasm has gone through the hospital.''

It was unknown whether the mother would face charges in the case.

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#90254u0916 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

DENVER (SEPT. 11) UPI - The Office of Thrift Supervision has rejected arguments by the president's son, Neil Bush, that he cannot be disciplined for his activities as a director of the failed Silverado Banking savings and loan.

''Bush is perfectly capable of becoming a director at another institution and repeating his misconduct there,'' the agency said in a motion filed Monday.

The OTS is seeking to ban Bush, a Denver oilman, from future activities at any federally-insured financial institution. A public hearing is scheduled in Denver Sept. 25.

Silverado was seized by federal regulators in December 1988 and its bailout is expected to cost taxpayers $1 billion. Bush was a director of the thrift from 1985 until he resigned in August of 1988.

Federal regulators have accused Bush of conflict of interest in dealings with former Denver developers Ken Good and Bill Walters, who were major Silverado borrowers. Regulators allege Bush failed to disclose to other board members that Good and Walters were investors in Bush's oil firm.

Also, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. has considered filing a negligence lawsuit against Bush and other former Silverado directors.

Bush's lawyers argued earlier that the government's case should be dismissed because Bush was no longer a director of the thrift. The cease-and-desist order would be meaningless since Bush could no longer effect the future of Silverado, his lawyers said.

The government's reply, filed before administrative Judge Daniel Davidson, said Bush still could become a director of another thrift.

''The reasons that moved a $2 billion institution to invite the then-30-year-old bush, who had no experience in depository institutions, to become a director are even more forceful today,'' the OTS said.

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#90254u0918 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (SEPT. 11) UPI - Campeau Corp. said Tuesday that its creditor Edward J. DeBartolo Corp. agreed to extend to Sept. 18 a notice arrangement that gives DeBartolo the right to exercise remedies against Campeau as a result of a defaulted loan to the troubled real estate and retail company.

The extension was at least the eighth since the arrangement was made public in May. The previous extension expired Monday.

The arrangement requires DeBartolo to give nine days notice to Campeau before taking action against certain collateral, including California-based Ralphs Grocery Co., pledged for an earlier $480 million loan.

The loan was provided by DeBartolo to Campeau's United States holding company and was guaranteed by Campeau. The loan was made several years ago when Campeau took over retailer Federated Department Stores Inc.

Payments on the loan were halted in early March and soon afterwards, Campeau's U.S. holding company, Federated Stores Inc., filed for Chapter 11 reorganization. Earlier, FSI's two retailing subsidiaries, Federated and Allied Stores Corp., also made Chapter 11 filings.

Campeau has been trying to negotiate long-term standstill agreements with DeBartolo and its other key lender, Olympia & York Developments Ltd., for several months. Two similar notice arrangements with Olympia & York subsidiaries remain in effect, Campeau said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 84.50-87.00 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 138.00-141.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $250.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50- 4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $110.00-$111.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $479.50-$487.00; dealer- approx., $481.50-$488.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 275.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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OMAK, WA (SEPT. 11) UPI - The test flight of a new type of helium balloon that four adventurers hope to take on an historic trip around the globe ended about 2,000 miles short of its destination, but was still called a success.

Larry Newman, organizer of the effort and captain of the crew, said the 2-day flight that ended near Omak, Washington Monday was ''flawless.''

He said he never planned to land his Earthwinds balloon in Wisconsin and only had told the Federal Aviation Administration weather patterns might carry them that far.

Newman's unique system, which employs a helium balloon above the cockpit and one filled with pressurized air below as ballast, soared aloft Saturday night from a World War II blimp hangar at Tillamook on the Oregon coast.

The crew initially hoped to land the test craft as far east of the Rocky Mountains as it could journey in two days. But a changing wind current turned the craft northward and Newman finally decided to land Monday morning near Omak.

Newman, a member of the first crews to cross the Atlantic and Pacific in helium balloons, said he was satisfied with the test, adding that he only wanted to make sure the balloon would stay aloft for at least two days.

''This balloon could have easily flown across the Atlantic, the continent and the Pacific all in one flight,'' Newman said.

The big trip is slated for November, with Newman, the leader of the group, and crew members from England and the Soviet Union taking off from Akron, Ohio and riding the jet stream at 35,000 feet elevation. If successful, it will mark the first time anyone has piloted a helium balloon around the world.

For the round-the-world trip, Newman said he will use a helium balloon 10 times larger than the one used for the test. The larger balloon will hold about 1 million cubic feet of helium.

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#90254u0954 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 11) UPI - East Germany's three outdated nuclear plants have been closed indefinitely for security inspections that will be completed after German unification, West German Environment Minister Klaus Toepfer said Tuesday.

Toepfer said he did not expect the plants will ever operate again.

''Speculations about the chances for refueling or restarting the reactors have no basis,'' Toepfer said at a news conference, adding current operating licenses are unlikely to be renewed after they expire in 1992.

He said it did not seem likely the outdated reactors at the Greifswald, Stendal and Rheinsberg plants would satisfy international safety standards set by the European Atomic Organization.

After German unification on October 3, ownership of the three Soviet-designed nuclear plants will transfer to the government of the Federal Republic of Germany - now still West Germany.

The Environment and Finance ministries will be responsible for completing the inspections.

Previous surveys showed the East German nuclear power plants represented a major security risk. Greifswald has been plagued by hundreds of minor incidents and breakdowns since it was built in 1974, including a major fire not reported until after the fall 1989 ouster of the East German Communist leadership.

The nuclear plants provide 10 percent of East Germany's energy needs. Toepfer said a $32 million, oil-based plant is being designed to replace the Greifswald nuclear facility.

''Every facility has already been or soon will be shut down as a precaution,'' Toepfer said.

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BEIJING (SEPT. 11) UPI - Iraq Tuesday attacked moves to oust its athletes from the Asian Games, accusing its Arab foes of bribery and hinting that Iraq might try to undermine the sponsoring Olympic Council of Asia.

Iraqi Embassy counselor Kais al Yacoubi claimed the OCA's executive bureau knuckled under to U.S. pressure when it recommended at an ''illegal meeting'' last weekend that Iraq be suspended from the OCA and the Asian Games, which open Sept. 22.

''This is part of an attempt by very well-known circles to punish Iraq'' for its military conquest of neighboring Kuwait, Yacoubi told reporters summoned to Iraq's embassy.

The Iraqi diplomat identified the ''well-known circles'' only as countries that supported the U.N. Security Council embargo of Iraq. The move was spearheaded by the United States and backed by most of Iraq's neighbors in the Persian Gulf.

The 11-member OCA executive bureau held an emergency meeting in Beijing Saturday night and recommended unanimously that Iraq be suspended from the Asian Games until ''normal Olympic movement'' is possible in Kuwait, where the OCA had maintained its headquarters.

The executive bureau scheduled a Sept. 20 meeting of the OCA general assembly at which the issue of Iraq's participation in the Asian Games will be put to a vote. The games open two days later.

Yacoubi asserted that gulf countries were bribing OCA members to vote against Iraq, but declined to specify which nations and offered no evidence to support his claim.

''Bribery is now going on on the level of whole Olympic committees,'' said Yacoubi, seated beneath a large portrait of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. ''Unfortunately they are paying very big ''fortunately

Yacoubi repeatedly said Iraq has ''other options'' to derail its ouster from the games and possibly to attack the OCA itself, but refused to describe them.

''We haven't declared anything,'' he said. ''We are not in the process of trying to cause any harm to the Olympic Committee but we still have all kinds of options.''

Yacoubi assailed the executive bureau meeting, saying OCA General Secretary C.L. Mehta violated the OCA constitution by allowing the participation of Kuwaiti Sheikh Ahmad Fahad al Sabah, the son of OCA President Sheikh Fahad al Ahmad al Sabah.

Fahad was slain by Iraqi troops in the invasion of Kuwait and his son assumed his seat at the OCA meeting.

Yacoubi also disputed Mehta's assertion that Iraq can be barred from the OCA and the Asian Games by a simple majority of the general assembly, saying OCA rules mandate a two-thirds majority.

The Iraqi diplomat stopped short of saying Iraq would prevail in such a vote, saying only that Baghdad expects broad support. Yacoubi declined to say how many OCA members pledged to back Iraq's participation in the Asian Games.

''We have assurances from certain OCA members that they support Iraq,'' he said. ''It will be clear on the day of the voting.''

Yacoubi made it clear that members of eight Kuwaiti teams still in Kuwait will not be permitted to compete in the Asian Games under the Kuwaiti flag saying they now are Iraqi citizens from ''Kuwait province'' and cannot leave without exit visas.

''If they want to take part in the Iraqi team, then this is something else '' he added.

Five Kuwaiti teams were outside Kuwait during the Aug. 2 invasion and China has said they will compete in the Asian Games.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - AmeriCares, a non-profit, private foundation in Connecticut, plans two more airlifts of medicine and supplies for refugees crammed into overflowing camps in Jordan. The foundation shipped one-Million dollars in goods during the weekend to help the thousands who fled after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. The supplies include food, medicine, water and blankets.

President Bush delivers an update on the Persian Gulf crisis to the nation tonight. The 25-minute speech to a joint session of Congress also is

expected to find Bush detailing efforts to come up with a budget compromise before the next fiscal year begins October 1st. But most of the time will be devoted to outlining efforts to get Iraq out of Kuwait.

Rainy weather stalled over parts of Texas for a second day today, with northern sections of the state drenched by four inches of rain in 24 hours. Other thunderstorms moved from eastern Kansas into Missouri this morning, carrying heavy rains and winds gusting to 45 miles an hour. Authorities in southwestern Missouri say the storms damaged trees and downed some power lines.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - Gambia's president, who heads a West African alliance that raised a peacekeeping force for Liberia, says troops have been ordered to protect the family and supporters of Liberian President Samuel Doe. Doe reportedly has been slain by rebels who captured him on Sunday during a shoot-out at the headquarters of the peace-keeping force in Monrovia.

Police in Charlotte, North Carolina, say a 35-year-old man apparently angry over a failed marriage killed a construction worker, his ex-wife and a friend of hers before turning his gun on himself yesterday. Police say Joseph Ray Belk Junior was described by his father as- quoting now- ''just a dumb old boy so madly in love with a woman you couldn't tell him anything.'' The younger Belk was divorced from his wife Gina less than one year ago.

The heaviest two-day rain in 40 years flooded areas of Seoul and adjacent provinces in South Korea. Authorities say the downpours are expected to continue into tomorrow. They say 32 people are confirmed dead in the storms, with 11 others listed as missing since the rain began late Sunday. Disaster relief officials say at least 18-thousand people have been driven from their homes. Officials say that between 12 and 20 inches of rain have fallen since early yesterday.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 11) UPI - Corn and soybean futures were supported by follow- through buying and the weekly crop report, but wheat prices were lower at midmorning Tuesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Monday's rally in corn and soybeans carried over into the early trading, although the overall volume was light. The Agriculture Department reported some deterioration in the condition of the crops during the past week, and their development continued behind normal.

Traders were squaring their positions in advance of the September crop report coming out Wednesday. Overnight rain in the Delta and forecasts for more rain the rest of the week limited the gains in soybeans.

Corn was fractionally higher with commission houses on both sides of the market.

Wheat turned lower on steady selling activity, but had underlying support from the sale of 99,000 tons to Egypt.

Basis levels generally were mostly steady and country movement was light.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.39 3/4 up 1/4; Dec 2.35 up 3/4; Mar 2.44 1/4 up 1/2.

Soybeans Sep 6.22 up 2 1/2; Nov 6.35 1/2 up 3 1/4; Jan 6.49 1/4 up 3 1/2; Mar 6.61 3/4 up 3 1/4.

Wheat Sep 2.65 1/2 off 2 1/4; Dec 2.82 off 1 1/2; Mar 2.94 1/4 off 3/4.

Oats Sep 1.09 up 1 3/4; Dec 1.18 1/4 up 1; Mar 1.29 1/4 up 3/4.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

SALES

Net Income (per share)

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Agency Rent-A-Car (2nd Q 7-31)	
$72,012,000	$68,222,000
$ 5,279,000 (.20)	$ 4,744,000 (.18)
Amplicon Inc (4th Q 6-30)	
$46,701,000	$28,015,000
$ 1,728,000 (.29)	$ 1,401,000 (.22)
Amre Inc (1st Q 7-31)	
$70,081,000	$62,221,000
a-$3,569,000 (.25)	$ 1,918,000 (.14)

a-Income from continuing operations.

Bowne & Co (3rd Q 7-31)
$51,034,000 $48,705,000
$ 1,746,000 (.10) $ 1,960,000 (.11)

Burlington Coat Fact (4th Q 6-30)
$146,717,000 $106,489,000
d-$4,875,000 d-$3,380,000
d-Deficit.

Cabot Medical (3rd Q 7-28)
$7,577,000 $5,748,000
$ 357,000 (.05) $ 346,000 (.05)

Carl Karcher Enterp (2nd Q 8-13)
$125,048,000 $122,852,000
$ 5,058,000 (.28) $ 4,695,000 (.25)

Fluor Corp (3rd Q 7-31)
$1,767,900,000 $1,556,900,000
$ 40,000,000 (.49) $ 33,900,000 (.42)

Hanson John FSB (4th Q 6-30)
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d-$8,196,000 d-$9,005,000
d-Deficit.

Harvey Group (2nd Q 7-28)
$20,319,000 $18,524,000
d-$153,000 a-$726,000 (.30)
a-Pre-tax income includes a gain of $599,000 relating to the settlement of certain pension obligations.
d-Deficit.

Kit Manufacturing (3rd Q 7-31)
$17,552,000 $17,635,000
$ 277,000 (.19) $ 265,000 (.18)

Laurel Savings Assoc (4th Q 6-30)
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$105,000 (.20) $175,000 (.36)

Semtech Corp (2nd Q 7-29)
$4,870,000 $5,054,000
$ 137,000 (.03) $ 332,000 (.08)

Supermatl Intl (2nd Q 6-30)
$1,027,000 $677,000
d-$75,000 d-$184,000

d-Deficit.

Viking Office Prod (4th Q 6-29)
$39,998,000 $32,186,000
$ 1,692,000 (.20) $ 1,184,000 (.20)

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BONN, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 11) UPI - Eight members of West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's conservative party started legal action in a bid to prevent Germany from formally recognizing Poland's western border, officials said Tuesday.

The eight Christian Democratic Union members want West Germany's constitutional court to request the removal from a treaty that unites East and West Germany of paragraphs that implicitly recognize Germany's loss of its former eastern territories, ceded to Poland after World War II.

Legal experts believe that the suit is unlikely to succeed but that it could delay ratification of the treaty.

The unification treaty, signed by the two German governments, is due for parliamentary ratification in Bonn and East Berlin later this month.

The treaty includes a new preamble to the German constitution that is based on West Germany's basic law.

By stating that unification will be complete when East and West Germany merge on Oct. 3, the preamble recognizes the loss of the former German territories to the east of what is now East Germany.

''We feel we are being gravely restricted in our rights as individual deputies by the fact that the unification treaty - on which one can only vote with a yes or a no - contains fundamental changes of the constitution '' said Herbert Czaja, one of the plaintiffs.

Czaja heads the Bonn-based Expellees Federation, which claims to represent the interests of the millions of Germans - and their descendants - who were expelled from the eastern territories after Germany lost World War II.

Czaja earlier described the recognition of Germany's borders as an ''amputation.''

Kohl said he will ''calmly await the decision'' of the constitutional court.

Hans-Jochen Vogel, who heads the opposition Social Democratic Party,

sharply criticized the eight CDU members for what he called ''a head-on attack against recognition of Poland's western border.''

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#90254u1073 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (SEPT. 11) UPI - The world's largest pizza parlor chain opened its first restaurant in Moscow Tuesday with Muscovites waiting in five-hour lines for a meal.

Diners at the new Pizza Hut about a mile from the Kremlin, one of two opening in Moscow, said the food and the service were very good, but many added they would not return because of the long wait and high prices.

''My feelings are complicated after waiting five and a half hours to get in,'' said Andrei Kolosov as he finished off a pizza and soft drinks with four friends. ''I don't think it was worth it.''

Andy Rafalat, the deputy general director of the joint venture running the Pizza Huts in Moscow, said the company was considering departing from company tradition and using a reservation system because of the long lines.

''We really have to see how things work out,'' he said. ''We will change things as we see how to improve.''

Unlike the recently opened Moscow McDonalds, which can serve thousands of customers quickly, Pizza Hut is a sit-down full-service restaurant and can only cook 3,000 pizzas a day.

Most of the several hundred customers waiting in line outside said they came mostly out of curiosity and would not be willing to wait as long a second time.

''Besides the wait, it is not cheap,'' said Vadim Maximov as he neared the entrance after sharing a four-hour wait with friends. ''I came because it is the first time it is open. We will see.''

Others seemed more resigned to the queue.

''We are used to waiting in lines,'' one woman said. ''It's something of a national sport.''

The Pizza Huts are a joint venture between Pepsico, which owns the pizza chain, and the Moscow city council. Pizza Hut imported employees from all around the world to prepare for the opening and train Soviet staff, but eventually the restaurants will be ''run and staffed solely by enthusiastic Soviet citizens,'' Pepsico Chairman Donald Kendall said before the ribbon cutting.

''Today we hope to begin to revolutionize the food and restaurant industry by providing great tasting pizza and friendly service to the people of Moscow,'' Kendall said.

''This project has positive implications far beyond our two restaurants,'' Kendall said. ''By working together to strengthen the Soviet food netwoork and especially to train more Soviets in the production and transport of large quantities of food, we are taking a big step in improving the local economy and making more food of all kinds available to the families of Moscow.''

Monday, Pizza Hut opened its first restaurant in China, despite the fact Chinese are known to hate cheese. The opening was closed to all but invited guests, but many Chinese on the street said they would return to give pizza a try.

Pizza Hut had planned to open in China last year, but the plans were delayed after the Chinese crackdown on pro-democracy demonstrators in Beijing's Tiananmen Square.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - Animal activists have asked a federal judge to prevent the New England Aquarium from transferring an aggressive male dolphin to a Navy facility in California for military training.

The group, the Citizens to End Animal Suffering and Exploitation, said Monday the transfer of the dolphin named Rainbow was illegal because neither the Aquarium nor the Navy had a required federal permit to keep the dolphin.

''Congress made it clear there was a complete prohibition against capturing marine mammals and set up strict rules for exceptions,'' said Scott VanValkenburg, a spokesman for CEASE. ''Those rules are not being followed.''

Rainbow was taken from the wild in 1983 by the Aquarium at Niagara Falls, N.Y., which had a proper permit, said Steven Wise, president of CEASE. However, he said Niagara Falls sent Rainbow to the New England Aquarium four years later without obtaining a permit.

It would therefore also be illegal for the aquarium to transfer Rainbow to the Navy without a federal permit, Wise said.

John Prescott, the executive director of the aquarium, said previously he is reviewing the decision to transfer Rainbow. Aquarium lawyers are

reviewing the suit, a spokesperson said.

CEASE asked Judge Mark Wolf to issue a temporary restraining order against the transfer. He was expected to hear the case later this week.

The aquarium earlier said it wanted to transfer Rainbow because he had become too aggressive against the other two dolphins - a male and a female - that take part with him in a show at the facility on the Boston waterfront.

Rainbow, an 11-year-old bottlenose dolphin, was to be transferred to the Naval Ocean Systems Center in San Diego to apparently undergo military training.

Andrea Conley, a spokesperson for the aquarium, said the Navy has assured it that Rainbow ''will not be endangered in this program.''

The Navy's dolphin program has come under fire from animal activists, both on ethical and humane grounds.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - Four out of every five mothers with young children surveyed said they use disposable diapers, and most said they would not voluntarily switch to cloth diapers, a recent Gallup poll showed.

During June, Gallup surveyed by telephone a national sample of 803 mothers of children aged 3 and younger. The poll was conducted at the request of the Diaper Manufacturers Group of the New York-based American Paper Institute.

''What's important to mothers is a diaper that allows them to provide the best baby care possible,'' Scott Stewart, public relations director of Procter & Gamble and a member of the Diaper Manufacturers Group, said Tuesday during a telephone interview from New York.

The poll of mothers ''does bring up a voice that is pretty important but seldom heard from,'' he added.

Of those surveyed, 72 percent of the mothers said they use disposables most often, while 7 percent reported they use cloth and 8 percent use both cloth and disposable diapers.

The survey showed most mothers used disposables for health reasons, with 85 percent saying disposables prevent leakage, 83 percent saying disposables keep the baby's skin drier, 62 percent saying disposables help prevent the spread of germs and diseases, and 60 percent saying diaper

rash is less frequent with disposables.

The majority of mothers surveyed said they were more willing to recycle newspapers and plastics, build a compost pile or join a car pool than they were to voluntarily switch from disposables to cloth diapers.

Upon questioning, 71 percent said they were very likely to recycle newspapers, 67 percent said they would be very likely to recycle plastics, 45 percent said they would be willing to build a backyard compost pile and 31 percent said they were extremely likely to take mass transit or car pool to work.

But only 24 percent said they would volunteer to switch to cloth diapers. Seventy-four percent reported they were very likely to support recycling and 69 percent said they were very likely to support composting disposable diapers.

Two industry-funded pilot projects are under way to test the feasibility of reclaiming the paper and plastic used in disposable diapers, Stewart said, adding researchers have found that 60 percent of the nation's total waste stream can be managed through municipal solid waste composting.

The margin of error for the poll is plus or minus 5 percentage points, Gallup executives said.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - Japanese government officials refuse to confirm media reports that the country may send two-thousand unarmed troops and civilians to the Middle East. They would give non-combat support to the troops of other nations already in the area. Japan's constitution prohibits sending armed troops overseas.

The French government says its will rent four ships to the United States that can be used to help move troops to the Persian Gulf area. And it also plans to make several of its military aircraft available to help move refugees out of Jordan.

The New York Times quotes administration officials today as saying that President Bush dropped long-standing U-S opposition to Soviet involvement in Mideast peace efforts. The report says Bush told Soviet President Gorbachev of the decision at the Helsinki summit on Sunday.

President Bush goes before a joint session of Congress this evening to report on his summit meeting with Soviet President Gorbachev. Bush will also talk about efforts to stop Saddam Hussein's aggression in the Persian Gulf. He's spending today conferring with key advisers about the

nationally televised speech.

The bipartisan group of White House and congressional budget negotiators returned to work this morning... still wrestling with a 500-BILLION-dollar deficit-reduction plan. The negotiators allowed their own deadline to expire early this morning without an agreement.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - Oil prices slipped in early trading Tuesday, in reaction to the prior day's ''mystery'' rally in which crude shot up more than a $1 a barrel in the final 10 minutes of trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The Monday rally occurred about the same time as rumors surfaced that Iraqi forces were moving toward Jordan and Saudi Arabia. The State Department later denied there were troop movements.

Traders said they were unaware of the rumors until after the Merc closed at 3:10 p.m. EDT and were at a loss to explain the rally that saw prices zoom more than $2 in the last hour.

Prices were moving lower early Tuesday ''because we were up $1.60 a barrel in 10 minutes yesterday,'' said Richard Redoglia, vice president of Merrill Lynch Energy Futures Inc. in New York.

Asked if anyone had come up with an explanation of Monday's late rally, the trader replied, ''None of us can.''

Randall Rothenberg of Dean Witter Reynolds' Energy Futures Group in New York said the Merc Tuesday ''was down because of the denial of the rumors.''

Rothenberg said he hadn't heard the rumors until after the Merc closed, adding, ''Most people on the trading floor hadn't.''

On the Merc at midday, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery was down 15 cents from Monday's close to $31.15 a barrel.

October-delivery unleaded gasoline had eased off 0.08 cent to 94.80 cents a gallon and October home heating oil was down 0.79 cent to 85.10 cents a gallon.

Overseas on the European spot market, where crude barrels are bought and sold for cash, Britain's North Sea Brent was down 17 cents to $30.93 a barrel.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped primarily to the Far East - was off 5 cents to $27.10 a barrel. On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt-delivery WTI was quoted at $31.15 a barrel, a decline of 10 cents.

Sun Co., of Radnor, Pa., said raised its posted price for crude at the wellhead by $1.25 across the board to $29.75 a barrel for WTI, effective Monday.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - On Sunday, worshippers at St. John's Episcopal Church, just across Lafayette Square from the White House, will bow their heads and ask their God to ''save us from from weak resignation to violence'' and to ''hear, we beseech thee, our prayer for peace in the Middle East.''

The prayer of the faithful at St. John's - also known as the church of the presidents for its proximity to the White House and the string of national leaders who have worshipped there - will be echoed by tens of thousands of other American Christians, who will ask their Lord: ''Help us to love our enemies, not by countenacing their sins, but by remembering our own.''

And that prayer by Christians will mingle with the voices of countless other American Moslems and Jews on their holy days this weekend as they, too, lift up prayers in a unique plea for divine intervention on behalf of peace in the Middle East.

The three prayers are the work of the U.S. Interreligious Committee for Peace in the Middle East, a 3-year-old group of 1,200 Christian, Muslim and Jewish leaders who have labored together to encourage active U.S. involvement in bringing about a negotiated settlement of the Arab-Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

''We are Christians, Jews and Moslems who believe working together for peace is a fundamental moral imperative of our time,'' four leaders of the group said in a joint statement calling members of their faiths to prayer over the Sept. 14-16 weekend.

Signers of the statement were Al-Hajj Dawud Assad, president of the Council of Mosques, USA; Dale Bishop, director of the Middle East office of the National Council of Churches; the Rev. J. Bryan Hehir, counselor, U.S. Catholic Conference; and Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, vice president of the World Jewish Congress.

''While at times religion appears to contribute to Middle East conflicts, we believe the deepest sources in our traditions provide inspiration and

wisdom for resolution of these conflicts,'' the joint statement said.

Ron Young, executive director of the interreligious committee, said each of the three prayers was written by someone deeply immersed in the spiritual tradition of the particular faith.

And they are being widely circulated for use this weekend.

Young said, for example, the Council of Mosques has sent the prayer to 200 mosques and Islamic centers for their use. The National Council of Churches has sent it to the head of each of its 32 member communions as well as the heads of all state and local councils of churches for distribution.

Bishops and regional leaders of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) the Episcopal Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church, the United Church of Christ, the United Methodist Church and the Presbyterian Church (USA) are also circulating the prayers and encouraging their use.

Among Jewish groups, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations has sent the prayer to Reform rabbis for use and Hertzberg has written a letter encouraging all Conservative rabbis to make use of the prayer. The Federation of Reconstructionist Synagogues has has also embraced it.

''What I found so moving in the prayers is that in each of the three, reaching down into the deepest resources of their faith, there is a spirit of which is very complementary.

In their statement encouraging participation in the weekend of prayer, the four religious leaders said: ''At this time of world crisis, when all of us are reminded that our human efforts for peace are inadequate, we are simply asking for your prayers and the prayers of your community.''

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - At least 32 people have died in the worst rains to hit South Korea in 40 years. It began raining on Sunday and forecasts indicate the rains will continue until late tomorrow. The resulting floods and landslides caused heavy property damage and at least 11 people are still reported missing.

A revenge attack by warring organized crime factions is the suspected cause in the bombing of a crowded nightclub in Hong Kong early today. The resulting blaze killed at least six people and injured 23 others. A guard at the entrance was overpowered by three men who then tossed the homemade bombs into the club.

NASA managers are awaiting final test data today and are expected to announce later the date of the fourth launch attempt for the shuttle Columbia. The trouble-plagued astronomy mission is expected to begin its 10-day flight on September 17th or 18th.

Supporters of Ferdinand Marcos marked the birthday of the former Philippine leader by attending servies in a Manila church today. He died almost one year ago in Hawaii. There are reports that his widow has offered to donate part of the family's assets in exchange for her return and that of her husband's body.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 11) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Tuesday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 57-63.

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#90254u1169 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - Chairman Joseph Biden, D-Del., said Tuesday Supreme Court nominee David Souter will have to provide the Senate Judiciary Committee with ''specific answers'' to a range of questions on constitutional issues, including abortion.

Despite exhaustive investigation by the committee staff, Biden said Souter's record provides ''more blank spaces than answers'' and leaves the Senate with ''almost total uncertainty'' about his judicial philosophy.

Biden said that examining Souter's views in depth and at length does not mean asking him ''how he will vote on a future case'' nor would the panel be looking for ''promises'' from President Bush's first nomination to the high court.

In a lengthy Senate speech, Biden said, ''There is nothing wrong with putting to Judge Souter some specific questions about constitutional issues, including religion, speech, civil rights and abortion and expect some rather specific answers.

''At this fateful moment in our history, we have a right to know and I

believe a duty to discover precisely what David Hackett Souter thinks on the great constitutional issues of our time,'' Biden said. ''What is his thought process, how is ge going to arrive at decisions on the great constitutional issues of the day.''

He said the questions are neither a ''litmus test'' nor a ''check list'' of Souter.

Biden spoke in advance of Souter's confirmation hearings scheduled to begin Thursday. The panel chairman said he has made ''no judgement'' on the Souter nomination but added ''some questions have arisen in my mind.''

The issue of abortion, on which Souter does not have a clear record, has dominated discussion about the nomination with both sides apprehensive about the views of the conservative jurist from New Hampshire.

Neither his term as a member of the New Hampshire Supreme Court nor his brief stint at a member of the 1st U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has given a picture of his position.

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., in a speech that preceded Biden's, said Souter should not be judged on any one issue, including abortion. He said there are numerous critical issues facing the court, on any of which Souter could be the deciding vote.

''Interest groups, like litigants, are not entitled to a new justice who they know is predisposed to their views,'' Specter said.

Specter, considered a swing vote on the committee, said the Senate should not ask Souter his ''ultimate views,'' adding he would not ask Souter about issues likely to come before the court - which is certain to be the case on abortion.

Biden said he has seen no intent on Bush's part to politicize the selection of federal judges - unlike President Ronald Reagan - and has voted for all 59 of the president's nominations to the federal bench.

But Biden said that Bush has never recanted the Republican Party platform that calls for the appointment of federal judges who oppose abortion and suggested Souter could be the ''deliverance on this promise'' by the GOP.

''There may be grounds for some fear that politics may be seeping deeper into the process,'' Biden said.

Biden said it is critical to question Souter because there is ''some concern about the administration's approach,'' because the New Hampshire judge could serve well into next century and have a tremendous impact and because ''we know almost nothing about his views of the critical issues of

the day.''

Biden said Souter will not satisfy the committee by just proclaiming himself a ''strict interpretist'' because ''many scholars and jurists travel under this banner'' including the most rigid conservatives.

Biden said ''nobody is entitled to be a Supreme Court justice'' and added that the burden is on Souter is to convince the Senate he belongs in the high tribunal.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - Public services for the 2 million seriously mentally ill are a ''disaster,'' with Hawaii offering the worst services, Vermont the best and Delaware making the most impressive gains, a report issued Tuesday said.

The report, replete with anecdotes of seriously mentally ill people who became injured or died because of poor or no services, was released by the consumer group Public Citizen and the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, an organization of relatives of mentally ill persons.

''One would think that the quality of life of the now 2 million people with serious mental illness in the United States would have improved dramatically from the days of the hospital 'snake pits,''' said Dr. Fuller Torrey of Public Citizen's Health Research Group. ''Yet today, in 1990, services for individuals with serious mental illness ... are a disaster by any measure used.''

Laurie Flynn, executive director of the relatives' group, charged, ''Too many mental health professionals have abandoned the public sector and mentally ill people.''

The American Psychiatric Association took offense, calling the allegations untrue.

''We object strongly to stigmatizing, snide, scapegoating statements that psychiatrists have abandoned the public sector,'' said the group's medical director Melvin Sabshin.

The report was intended as a state-by-state ''consumer's guide'' of public services for the seriously mentally illness, which includes schizophrenia and manic-depressive psychosis, not mental retardation or alcoholism and other drug abuse problems.

The 50 states and Washington, D.C., were rated on delivery of mental heatlh care based on quality of hospital services, outpatient and

community support services, vocational rehabilitation, housing and services to seriously emotionally disturbed children.

Out of a possible 25 points, Vermont was the nation's leader, albeit with 17 points. Following Vermont were New Hampshire and Rhode Island, each with 16 points; Connecticut and Ohio, each with 15 points; Colorado with 14 points; New York, North Carolina and Wisconsin, each with 12 points; and Utah with 11 points.

At the bottom of the list were Nevada and Texas, each with five points; Mississippi and Montana, each with four points; Idaho and Wyoming, each with three points; and Hawaii, earning two points. Hawaii also earned the last-place spot in the previous reports issued in 1986 and 1988.

Delaware made the ''most impressive'' gains, with the following states making ''significant'' improvements: Alabama, Connecticut, Michigan, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Ohio, Vermont, Washington and Wisconsin.

States ''going nowhere'' were Hawaii, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska and South Dakota, and states ''moving backwards'' were California Florida, Indiana and Pennsylvania.

States spending more per capita tend to provide better care, particularly in the areas of vocational rehabilitation, housing and children's services the report said. But those states do not necessarily have better inpatient or outpatient services.

Average state spending on mental health services was 28 cents for every $100 of per capita income. The stingiest states, those spending less than 20 cents per $100, were Arizona, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Kentucky, Nevada and Texas.

The ''best buy'' states - those offering the best quality per dollar spent - were seven of the top 10 state programs: Vermont, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Ohio, Colorado, Wisconsin and Utah, spending $31- $52 per capita on mental health services.

The ''worst buy'' states were Hawaii, New York, Wyoming and Washington, D.C.

The report recommended the following to improve state services:

-Public mental health programs must, as a priority, serve people with serious mental illness, not devote excessive resources to non-disabled citizens.

-All psychiatrists, psychologists and psychiatric social workers should be required to donate one hour each week to public programs.

-A program should be tested in which psychologists, physician assistants and nurse practitioners are given special training and allowed to prescribe psychiatric medication. The American Psychiatric Association opposed this, saying it would further deteriorate quality of care.

-Funding must be overhauled and budgets examined for evidence of theft and misuse of funds.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - Egypt, a U.S. ally in the gulf crisis, bought 99, 200 metric tons of soft white wheat at subsidized prices from a U.S. exporter, the Agriculture Department reported Tuesday.

The grain was worth about $9.7 million based on Chicago prices. At 36.7 bushels to the metric ton, the transaction called for delivery of 3.64 million bushels of wheat in November and December.

Officials said the grain was sold through the Export Enhancement Program, the major U.S. export subsidy program. Exporters were given bonuses worth $1.27 a bushel for making the sale.

Egypt has the opportunity to buy an additional 661,800 tons of wheat at discount prices.

It was the second major sale to Egypt in less than a week. Egypt bought 175,664 tons last Thursday.

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#90254u1197 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 11) UPI - The world of the Pentagon met the world of the desert nomad the other day, and both came away curiously enlightened.

U.S. forces are under orders to keep contact with Arab natives minimal during their mission to defend Saudi Arabia from Iraqi aggression, clearly because Washington is wary of fueling any anti-Western backlash in the conservative Islamic kingdom.

Most foreigners residing in Saudi Arabia are employed on capital projects, but the nation has otherwise been closed to non-Moslems for decades.

While travelling in remote desert regions overnight Monday with scouts for the 24th Mechanized Infantry Division, chance encounters between the young Americans and Bedouin tribesmen proved to be meetings between innocents,

each eager to sample the other's culture.

The scouts have a daily mission of wandering far from their newly constructed but temporary tent city to scour the sands for any enemy activity.

The best dune buggy is outclassed by their Humvees, successors to the jeep which grind through furrows of slush-like sand.

But the four-vehicle force is dwarfed by the landscape of dunes, scrub and eerie rock formations.

Their only company is an occasional escort of A-10 Thunderbolts, chunky, fixed-wing tankbuster aircraft humming overhead on training missions, circling lazily like arrogant vultures.

Nestled between two hills on a rocky plateau sat a Bedouin encampment, vastly different from the classic image romanticized in the tales of the Arabian Nights.

The hardy nomads - who comprise only about 5 percent of the nation's population and fiercely resist government settlement programs - eschew camels for cars, and water tankers have even made them independent of the oasis.

At this camp, a flock of scraggly goats bleated behind a steel barricade, lapping from twisted tin water troughs.

In a bizarre blend of tradition and modernity, a tent had been built on a platform atop a battered Toyota pickup truck, complete with a snug interior of carpets and pillows.

Two Arab youths emerged, obviously wary of the heavily armed soldiers.

''We think its a strange experience, but what about them?'' mused '' about them?'' musediers.erior

Any tension evaporated after two foreign correspondents approached and shook hands with the nomads, who then beckoned the American troopers forth and poured them small cups of heavily-sugared tea.

But apart from the Arab phrase of greeting, ''salam-halaikom,'' the language barrier was total.

The GIs discovered that their army-issue Arabic phrase book, with its translations for such terms as ''surrender'' and ''where is the road to ...,'' was not meant for polite conversation.

''It's so hard, just looking at the phonetics,'' said Sgt. Ricky Chatelain of Colorado Springs, frustrated at his attempts at Arabic which were received with only a smile and a benign shake of the head.

The two nomads departed in their water truck to tend a nearby goat herd. The soldiers strolled up a hill crowned with a fireplace filled with scorched, shattered bones and patches of fur, leftovers of a Beduoin goat feast.

From the goat herd approached another Bedouin on a mule, an almost biblical figure in sandals, brown rough cotton caftan and the traditional red cloth head dress.

He beamed a broad smile and rattled away in staccato Arabic, disappointed he could not converse with the strangers but openly fascinated by their desert- colored fatigues, kevlar helmets, bayonets, pistols and infra-red torches.

Arabs call untrustworthy people ''somebody who does not have time to take tea,'' and the host entered the truck-mounted tent to prepare more of the syruppy concoction for the bemused GIs.

To reciprocate, the Americans handed over packs of cigarettes and cracked open ration packs, the ubiquitous ''Meals, Ready to Eat'' that are fueling Washington's desert army.

The Arab poked gingerly through the sealed contents and opened a caramel candy, which he sniffed suspiciously, nibbled, and then quickly devoured.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Three youths were sentenced Tuesday to the maximum punishment for juveniles in the gang rape of a woman jogger in Central Park, forcing them to serve five to 10 years behind bars.

State Supreme Court Justice Thomas Galligan sentenced each of the youths to two consecutive terms of three and one-third to 10 years in jail, but the actual imprisonment is reduced under state law to a maximum of five to 10 years.

Antron McCray, Raymond Santana, and Yusef Salaam, all 16, will be eligible for parole after five years.

Before imposing sentence, the judge lambasted the youths for wrecking havoc on New York City's most famous refuge from frenzied city life.

''Central Park is an oasis in our city that was turned into a torture

chamber by mindless marauders seeking to 'chill,''' Galligan said.

He rejected the defense argument that he should be merciful to the teens because of their young ages.

''Is it less egregious that a woman has her head bashed with pipes and bricks by a 15 year old rather than a 30 year old?'' the judge asked rhetorically.

Before the judge spoke, he listened to a statement from each of the youths including a rap poem read by Salaam. The youth said he was a victim of white oppression, comparing himself to Nelson Mandela and Martin Luther King.

''I think my debt to society has been paid. This is the price for being a black man,'' Salaam told the judge.

The other two youths thanked their families for supporting them.

''I'm gonna make it,'' McCray said.

A jury in state Supreme Court in Manhattan deliberated 10 days before convicting the trio of rape, riot, robbery and assault in the April 19, 1989, attack on the 30-year-old investment banker, and two male joggers.

Meanwhile, two other defendants, Kharey Wise, 18, and Kevin Richardson, 15 - both of whom made videotaped statements about their involvement in the explosive case - will be tried together, with jury selection to begin Oct. 11, Galligan ruled Monday.

A sixth youth, Steve Lopez, who was fingered by the other defendants as the ringleader of the pack that went ''wilding'' through Central Park the night of the vicious attack, will be tried next year.

A large number of letters have poured into Galligan pleading with him to be lenient with the youths following the Aug. 18 convictions, but the judge stayed true to his reputation as a tough sentencer by delivering the maximum terms available as juveniles.

The youths were tried as adults, but were sentenced as juveniles because they were under 16 at the time of their arrest.

All three youths will serve at least part of their sentence in juvenile prisons in upstate New York. They must be transferred to adult state prison at 21 but could be sent there sooner, depending on their behavior.

At the request of their families, two of the young men had new lawyers during their sentencing and appeals. McCray was represented by activist

attorney C. Vernon Mason, while Salaam's case was handled by civil rights attorney William Kunstler.

The rape and beating of the Wall Street worker initially shocked the city, but polarized blacks and whites during the trial of the three youths. McCray and Santana both made videotaped statements about their involvement in the attack, while Salaam made statements to police, telling them the attack ''was fun.''

Their attorneys, however, had argued that the statements were coerced, and that police rounded up the black youths indiscriminately, in a rush to bring the explosive case to a conclusion.

The victim - whose identity has generally been kept secret by the media - was attacked as she went on a late-night run through Central Park, and then was left bloody and near-death for some four hours in a muddy gully off the jogging path.

She appeared briefly as a prosecution witness against the three youths, but was unable to remember a single detail of the attack.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - Western diplomatic sources in Egypt say the offer of free oil to third world countries is simply a way that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein feels he can get around economic sanctions placed against his country. Iraq now has NO market for the oil it can produce.

Iraq is attacking moves to bar its athletes from the Asian Games scheduled for September 22nd in Beijing. An Iraqi Embassy spokesman in the Chinese capital says his nation's Arab foes in the Persian Gulf region are bribing other nations to vote against Iraqi participation in the games. He said the Olympic Council of Asia gave in to U-S pressure in voting last weekend to bar Iraq from the games.

President Frederik de Klerk of South Africa is meeting with Nelson Mandela and 19 other African National Congress members. The talks center on ways to stop black-on-black violence that is raging in black townships in South Africa. Authorities say another night of violence left 26 more people dead this morning.

Top West German officials are headed to Moscow for a final round of talks on the October 3rd date for German unification. A final agreement could be signed by tomorrow. One question still open is how much will it cost to get 380-thousand Soviet troops out of East Germany. That withdrawal may take four years to complete.

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#90254u1226 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

PRETORIA, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 11) UPI - African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela warned Tuesday that peace talks with the government are in danger of collapse because of the government's failure to crush five weeks of urban internecine violence.

Emerging from more than two hours of talks with President Frederik de Klerk on the mounting violence between rival black movements, Mandela said pressure was mounting on the ANC to arm its supporters and resume the ''armed struggle'' suspended last month.

Mandela's warning came after another round of violence left 28 more people dead since Monday in black townships surrounding Johannesburg in the sixth straight week of fighting between supporters of the ANC and the rival Zulu movement Inkatha.

More than 600 have died since the clashes erupted, defying appeals for peace by the warring factions and the government's imposition of emergency regulations in the hardest-hit areas. The ANC has accused security forces of favoring Inkatha.

''The government came under heavy attack for its failure to take visible means to deal with this situation,'' Mandela said of the meeting with de Klerk. The ANC deputy president headed a 20-member delegation in the talks at the Union Building government complex.

Asked whether the negotiation procees with the government intended to end the country's protracted racial crisis was threatened by the violence, Mandela told reporters, ''No doubt it is.''

''The amount of casualties that have been suffered by our people ... threatens the peace process,'' Mandela said. ''We'll do everything in our power to ensure the peace process remains on track, but the government will have to play its part.

''And if it's dragging its feet, as it is doing now, then the peace process is definitely threatened,'' he said.

Mandela said there was a ''widespread demand among our people that they should be armed'' and that the ANC regarded this as a ''reasonable'' demand. ''It's going to be difficult for us to resist it,'' he said.

Asked whether the violence would force the ANC to resume the armed struggle, Mandela said, ''if the government fails to take action and if the people continue to demand to be armed, we will find it difficult to oppose that demand.''

The ANC suspended its 29-year limited guerrilla war against white minority rule on Aug. 6 in exchange for promises from the government of further racial reforms, including the release of all political prisoners.

Mandela said the delegation was ''disappointed'' de Klerk had not acted on a memoradum submitted nearly two weeks ago on how to end the violence. He said de Klerk promised Tuesday the ''memorandum and what was said today will receive serious attention.''

''We must give them a chance,'' he said. ''The government has the capacity to end the violence and I want them to use that capacity,'' he said.

Police spokeswoman Capt. Ida van Zweel said 23 people died in the eastern township of Katlehong, where heavy street fighting erupted Monday night between Xhosa supporters of the ANC and bitter rivals of the exclusively Zulu movement Inkatha.

Witnesses reported seeing bodies strewn in the township streets and exchanges of gunfire between migrant workers living in the township hostel and residents Monday night. In one incident, a mob set alight a car, burning the driver to death when he refused to name the faction he supported. A wheelchair-bound elderly woman also was among the casualties, witnesses said.

Police also found the bodies of four other people killed in Soweto, putting the death toll in the nation's largest black city in factional violence over the past three days at 41.

A clash also erupted on a train as it entered Johannesburg Monday morning. One man was stabbed to death and hurled from the coach, while another was injured and arrested, police said.

Mandela's delegation discussed with de Klerk both the strife between Inkatha and ANC-linked groups that began in the Indian Ocean Province of Natal in 1987 and its spread to the Johannesburg area since last month.

The delegation was the largest ANC team de Klerk has faced since he lifted a 30-year ban on the movement in February. The team included several people from Natal and four senior national level ANC officials in addition to Mandela, including ANC Foreign Affairs Director Thabo Mbeki.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - The Office of Thrift Supervision will push ahead with efforts to keep the son of President Bush from ever serving again in any capacity at a federally insured financial institution. Neil Bush once

served as a director of Denver's Silverado thrift before it ran into its current difficulties. The agency has rejected his arguments against the ban and a public hearing will be held September 25th in Denver.

A bearded man dressed in a black leather jacket and faded blue jeans handing out money on a downtown Denver street is one thing. Doing so while standing next to a milk cow is another. But that's what witnesses report happened yesterday. The man gave NO name. The cow was described as ''very clean and extremely well groomed.''

Southwestern Bell Telephone is admitting a mix-up in its directory for San Antonio, Texas. Callers who use the non-emergency number to call the San Antonio police get the fire department, and vice versa. Southwestern Bell admits the mix-up and says it may send customers a sticker to put over the directory miscue.

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SAN ANTONIO (SEPT. 11) UPI - Southwestern Bell Telephone customers who dial the non-emergency number in their new directories for the city police department will get the local fire department, instead. And vice versa.

Southwestern Bell readily admits to the mix-up.

''We made an error,'' phone company spokesman Marco Gilliam said. ''We are considering mailing at no charge to all our customers a peel- off sticker to place over (the mistake).''

Company officials still have not determined how the error was made.

The directories are not printed locally.

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RANGOON, BURMA (SEPT. 11) UPI - A top official of the Burmese government denied Tuesday that the ruling junta is trying to cling to power, but outlined a protracted process that would have to take place before there would be any transition to democracy.

''We shall certainly hand over power when a new, firm constitution has been promulgated and a strong government formed under that constitution,'' said Maj. Gen. Khin Nyunt, secretary of the ruling State Law and Order Restoration Council

Khin Nyunt, who is also chief of military intelligence, said the legislators elected in polls May 27 must submit ''truthful election

expense accounts'' and overcome any challenges to their election before they would be allowed to convene.

After the elected members of Parliament have completed discussions on the new draft constitution, he said, they should convene a national convention of all political parties as well as representatives from all ethnic groups.

''The purpose of this convention is to ascertain the wishes of all national races of the country and to seek a broad consensus on the nature of the new constitution,'' he said.

Khin Nyunt indicated the military, which has ruled Burma directly or indirectly since a 1962 coup d' etat, would also have to find the consitution acceptable.

He gave no indication how long this process might take.

Leaders of the National League for Democracy, the party which swept 80 percent of the seats in the legislature, have called for the military to allow the Parliament to meet this month.

They accused the military of adding new conditions to the promised return to democracy in an effort to continue military rule.

The military responded last week by arresting Kyi Maung and Chit Khaing the two acting leaders of the party. The two men, both retired army colonels in their 70s, had themselves replaced the official party leaders, Aung San Suu Kyi and Tin U, arrested in July last year.

In a three-hour long address to reporters and senior government officials Khin Nyunt called on all political parties, students, Buddhist monks and government employees to avoid confrontational activities and to cooperate in paving the way for stable and prosperous country.

Buddhist monks have declared a religious boycott against government leaders for their harsh repression of dissidents - saying no monks perform religious rites for them.

There have also been repeated small-scale student demonstrations in the central city of Mandalay despite martial law orders that ban public assembly by more than five people.

Khin Nyunt lashed out at foreign diplomats and media for reports on the Mandalay demonstrations that were ''nothing but fabrications and distortions.''

Western diplomats quoted by the media said four people were killed by security forces, but the government denied anyone was killed, saying the

only shots fired were into the air.

''It is clear the foreign media have not been using the dispatches sent out by our (Burmese) foreign correspondents here, but using only reports received from so-called diplomatic sources,'' he said.

Since the election, the military government has barred the entry of most foreign correspondents, allowing only reports by the Burmese correspondents of the major news agencies.

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#90254u1270 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 11) UPI - The shuttle Discovery's crew sailed through a smooth practice countdown Tuesday to set the stage for blastoff around Oct. 5, less than 18 days after the shuttle Columbia's fourth launch attempt next week.

With Columbia's seven-man crew running more than three months behind schedule because of hydrogen fuel leaks and payload trouble, NASA managers reviewed test data Tuesday to determine when the veteran spaceplane will be ready for another launch try.

At pad 39A, engineers worked to complete installation of three new hydrogen fuel pumps inside the shuttle's cramped engine room to replace units that leaked last week, grounding the orbiter just eight hours before its planned launch.

A new pump package was bolted into place Monday but work to test the engine system for leakage fell behind schedule overnight with no word on what caused the original pumps to leak explosive hydrogen.

Initial tests on the suspect pumps before they were removed from Columbia found no signs of leakage.

But the problem apparently only shows up in the presence of supercold liquid hydrogen at minus 423 degrees. To find out once and for all, engineers at the Johnson Space Center in Houston began circulating liquid hydrogen through the pump package Tuesday morning.

Initial test results were expected Wednesday. But William Lenoir, NASA's associate administrator for spaceflight, said complete results from the tests were not required to clear Columbia for another launch try.

As it is, engineers are skeptical about whether replacing the pumps will stop the leak. As one official put it: ''I think there's a 50-50 chance it'll leak again.''

With a cloud of uncertainty hanging over Columbia's mission, NASA managers nonetheless hope to launch the ship around Sept. 18 to kick off a 10-day astronomy flight and to clear the decks for Discovery's Oct. 5 to carry the European-built Ulysses solar probe into space.

Whenever Columbia is finally ready to go, engineers will have only a few days to get the spaceplane into orbit. NASA Administrator Richard Truly has said Columbia must get off the ground within a few days of Sept. 17 or the flight will be grounded until after Discovery's mission.

The Ulysses mission has priority because to get the probe on the proper course to the sun, Discovery must be launched between Oct. 5 and Oct. 23 or the mission will face a 13-month delay.

Compounding the problem is a post-Challenger NASA rule requiring three weeks between shuttle flights so data from one mission can be studied before the next flight is launched.

Truly said last week the rule would be waived in this instance, but he made it clear that if Columbia's launch slips much past Sept. 17, the flight will be postponed to get Discovery off the ground.

On launch pad 39B, Discovery's crew strapped in and worked through the final hours of a dress-rehearsal countdown Tuesday that ended at 11:07 a.m. with the simulated ignition and shutdown of the shuttle's three main engines.

Commander Richard ''Dick'' Richards, 44, co-pilot Robert Cabana, 41, Bruce Melnick, 40, William Shepherd, 41, and Thomas Akers, 39, then reviewed emergency escape procedures at the launch pad before returning to Houston.

While Discovery has no known fuel leaks, engineers are carefully monitoring a small Freon leak in one of the shuttle's two cooling systems.

If the leak rate does not get worse, Discovery's coolant supplies will be topped off and the ship will be cleared for launch on a four-day mission as is. If the leak gets worse, repairs could be required that would delay the flight to the last few days of the Ulysses launch period.

NASA's long, launchless summer began May 29 when a hydrogen leak grounded Columbia the night before the crew's planned liftoff.

That leak was blamed on damaged seals inside a massive 17-inch-wide fuel line fitting that allows the shuttle's external tank to be jettisoned in space. A similar problem also grounded the shuttle Atlantis in July.

Columbia has since been equipped with a new ''17-inch disconnect'' assembly and cleared for a second launch attempt Sept. 1. After a delay because of

trouble with an on-board telescope, the crew was cleared for a third launch try Sept. 6, but the mission was delayed by yet another elusive hydrogen leak.

Data indicated the leak involved hydrogen recirculation pumps used to keep rocket fuel flowing through critical engine systems prior to launch.

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LEESBURG, FL (SEPT. 11) UPI - A 10-foot-long alligator grabbed a snorkeler's arm and dragged him to the bottom of a river, but the victim swam through a trail of his own blood and managed to escape.

''I never plan on getting in fresh water again, not until there's something done about the population of gators,'' Jason Smith, 20, said from his home in Leesburg Tuesday, where he was recuperating with 50 stitches to his right arm and a few to the right side of his head.

''I've got bites all over my forearm from my wrist up to my elbow, and I got bites, two bites on the side of my head.''

Smith said he and a friend were snorkeling in the Alexander Run, a spring-fed stream in the Ocala National Forest, on Saturday when the alligator attacked.

''I was just snorkeling, and I turned around and seen the gator's mouth open to get my head,'' Smith said. ''When he done that, I put my arm up. Instead of getting my head, he got my arm, took me under and started spinning me.

''He took me to the bottom and spinned me around. I don't know how I got loose, but when I got to the surface, I screamed to my buddy. ... I could feel him (the alligator) under my feet again.

''I started swimming toward the boat. I thought I'd lost my arm. When I was swimming toward the boat I couldn't feel nothing,'' Smith said.

Smith said he had trouble seeing as he swam the 40 yards to the boat because of blood flowing from his head wound, but he managed to pull himself aboard and ''fill up the bottom of the boat'' with blood while he and his friend paddled to shore.

Once there, another camper, a Seminole County firefighter, administered first aid, Smith said.

''I think if he hadn't quit the bleeding, I'd have probably bled to death '' Smith said.

Smith said he was not sure how he got away from the alligator.

''I think he tried to grab for another bite, for another hold, and I just got away,'' he said.

He said he spotted the alligator a split second before he attacked, ''just enough time for me to throw my arm up in front of my face.''

''It was like he was crushing my arm,'' Smith said.

He said the struggle lasted about 10 seconds.

He said he felt turbulence beneath him as he swam back toward the boat and was afraid the alligator would grab him again.

''I'm sure he tried. I was just swimming too fast,'' he said.

The 10-foot-long alligator was trapped and killed about 12 hours later, he said.

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#90254u1299 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Miss America proved again that a pretty girl is worth a lot of ratings points as the beauty pageant was the most-watched show last week and helped NBC to another prime time win, it was reported Tuesday.

In one of those oddities that prove the devil can quote statistics, the NBC broadcast was the No. 1 show of the week, but its 17.8 rating and 36 share were down from last year, when the pageant was only No. 3 but had a 19.8 rating and a 40 share. That's because last year more people were tube-watching, thanks to early premieres of ''Roseanne'' and ''Chicken Soup'' on ABC.

''The Fanelli Boys,'' the NBC preview of the week, came in fourth, and ''Working It Out,'' in its second airing, tied for 17th.

Both shows were part of some fancy footwork in the NBC programming department. The Saturday prime time evening began with part 1 of a two-part ''Golden Girls,'' followed by ''Working It Out.'' Then came the conclusion of ''Golden Girls,'' followed by ''Fanelli'' and Miss America.

''Parenthood,'' another new NBC show making its second preview appearance, tied for 29th.

''Real Life with Jane Pauley'' had its final broadcast of the series last

week, tying for 33rd. The program has never fallen below a 20 share, which makes it a likely midseason replacement for some faltering show.

While NBC has been previewing new programs, returning shows are still in reruns. Most notably, a repeat of ''The Cosby Show'' tied for 10th place, while a rerun of its new competition, ''The Simpsons'' on Fox, tied for 54th with an ABC Ted Koppel special report.

Fox had some new offerings last week, but they were on the wrong end of the list. ''Parker Lewis,'' the premiere, was in 59th place, which was an improvement on a ''Parker Lewis'' repeat in 66th. Fox's ''True Colors'' was in 65th, ''DEA'' in 76th, a rerun ''DEA'' in 77th and the new ''American Chronicles'' from Lynch/Frost in dead last 87th place.

CBS won the Sunday movie competition with ''Jesse'' tied for 14th. ABC's first television run of the theatrical film, ''Little Shop of Horrors,'' was 36th and NBC's ''A Fight For Jenny'' tied for 51st.

In ratings for the week ending Sept. 9, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., NBC remained in the lead with a 10.7 rating and a 19 share. ABC was second with a 9.4 rating and a 17 share, while CBS posted a 9.2 rating and a 17 share. Fox finished the week with a 6.3 rating and an 11 share.

In the night-by-night competition, NBC won Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, while CBS was No. 1 Sunday and Monday and ABC held Friday.

In the 51-week season-to-date competition, NBC maintained a 12.9 rating and a 23 share. ABC was second with an 11.6 rating and a 20 share, and CBS was right behind with an 11.1 rating and a 19 share. Fox has a season-to-date record of a 6.3 rating and an 11 share.

Dan Rather's high profile in the Middle East did not tumble Peter Jennings from the top spot among news shows. ABC's ''World News Tonight'' was No. 1 for the 35th consecutive week, with a 9.8 rating and a 21 share. ''CBS Evening News'' with Dan Rather was second with an 8.4 rating and an 18 share, while ''NBC Nightly News'' with Tom Brokaw was third with an 8.3 rating and an 18 share.

Each ratings point represents about 921,000 households. A share is the percentage of TV sets in use that are tuned to a particular show or network.

The top programs for the week ending Sunday, Sept. 9, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., were:

1. Miss America pageant (NBC)
2. Golden Girls (NBC)
3. Cheers (NBC)

4. Fanelli Boys (NBC)
5. America's Funniest Home Videos (ABC)
6. 60 Minutes (CBS)
7. (tie) Designing Women (CBS)
8. Roseanne (ABC)
9. Different World (NBC)
10. (tie) Bill Cosby (NBC)
    Unsolved Mysteries (NBC)

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LONDON (SEPT. 11) UPI - Stock prices closed slightly lower in sluggish trading Tuesday on the London International Stock Exchange as major dealers stayed on the sidelines due to the crisis in the Gulf.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which surged 24.1 points Monday, slipped 2.7 points to 2,144.3. The narrower top 30 industrial average eased 4.1 points to 1,651.0.

Volume remained light as an estimated 344 million shares changed hands, compared with 296 million shares traded Monday.

Analysts said prices eased from the opening bell following the poor showing in Japan, where the Nikkei Average lost 1.90 percent, or 476.24 points.

But underlying uncertainty over the Gulf crisis, highlighted by an IMF report saying growth would slow for the developed world due to oil price increases, encouraged a bearish mood.

In a speech in Paris today, IMF head Michel Camdessus warned the Gulf crisis would cut growth in the developed economies by 1/4 percent this year and 1/2 percent next year.

Tight monetary policy in Britain continued to take a bite out of the economy, giving bonds a boost with a half-point gain.

But poor interim company results further damaged investor confidence, although shipping and construction conglomerate P & O bucked the trend. P & O gained 16 cents to $9.09 despite lowered half-year pre-tax profits.

Among some of the day's other highlights, Fisons slipped 4 cents to $6.35 despite an interim report showing a 35 percent profits advance.

Allied Irish continued to tumble, falling 11 cents to $2.79 on debt worries.

British Aerospace gained 9 cents to $10 as investors speculated the company would report better earnings on Wednesday.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices closed lower in thin trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange as surging oil prices dampened enthusiasm.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 37.53 points Monday, slid 23.02 points or about 1.4 percent to 1,577.42.

Traders said prices moved in narrow ranges most of the session in response to climbing oil prices and the weak performance in Tokyo.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - The federal insurance fund that protects depositors from commercial bank failures is facing its greatest danger of depletion since the days of the Depression, the General Accounting Office said Tuesday.

''Not since its birth during the Great Depression has the federal system of deposit insurance for commercial banks faced such a period of danger and uncertainty as it does today,'' said Charles Bowsher, comptroller general of the United States.

''I wish the message were more optimistic,'' Bowsher told the Senate Banking Committee.

The GAO's audit of the Bank Insurance Fund's 1989 financial statement showed a loss of $852 million during the year, marking the fund's second consecutive loss.

Banking regulators, expecting the fund to post an additional loss of as much as $2 billion this year, recommended last month that banks pay greater insurance premiums to slow the fund's steady erosion.

Banking performance worsened in 1989 as the growth in non-performing assets increased and industry earnings declined, the GAO said. The reasons for the decline are many - an increased reliance on real estate loans, stiffer international competition and the growth of non-bank financial services companies.

The GAO audit showed the insurance fund's balance has decreased 28 percent during the past 2 years to $13.2 billion from $18.3 billion due to steady levels of high bank failures.

Overstated appraisal values for foreclosed real estate also could further diminish the insurance fund, the GAO said.

''We are concerned that the fund's cash resources are too low to enable it to deal decisively with problem banks,'' Bowsher said.

The report said the low level of bank reserves, coupled with a recession, ''could lead to a level of bank failures that would exhaust the fund and require taxpayer assistance.''

Bowsher also said a GAO examination of 200 banks found 35 large institutions in such severe financial condition that their doors are likely to close without some form of recapitalization or regulatory assistance.

The 35 banks, mostly in the Northeast and Southwest, have combined assets of $45.1 billion and would cost the insurance fund between $4.4 billion and $6.3 billion should they fail.

''In addition to these 35 banks, we identified a significant number of other large banks that were experiencing severe negative performance trends as of December 31, 1989,'' Bowsher said.

This revelation appeared to stun several members of the banking committee and prompted recollections of the early days of the collapse of the savings and loan industry, which many call the greatest financial debacle since the Depression.

Sen. Donald Riegle, D-Mich., the committee's chairman, said regulators may need to take further protective measures to bolster the insurance fund in addition to increasing premiums.

''I think it would be very dangerous to the psychology of the country to allow this fund to be depleted,'' he said.

''This is not the thrift situation - there is still time to act,'' said Sen. Alan Dixon, D-Ill.

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#90254u1328 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - Amid fresh signs of strong support from the American people, President Bush placed the final touches Tuesday on a prime-time speech outlining U.S. interests and staying power in the tense Persian Gulf.

Before a joint session of Congress and a nationwide television audience, Bush planned to lay out the opportunities as well as the dangers that confront the world in the aftermath of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich neighbor Kuwait.

Bush also held some slim hope of announcing progress in deficit-reduction talks with Congress, which Tuesday entered a fifth day in seclusion at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., after sliding past an informal midnight deadline.

In the likely absence of an agreement, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Bush would underscore ''the need to get our domestic house in order" to provide "a good foundation" at home for dealing with problems abroad.

The emergence of a ''new world order,'' in which Cold War adversaries become superpower partners, and the need to face down Saddam Hussein with military power and economic pressure, were among the themes of the 9 p.m. EDT speech.

It was a chance for Bush to renew his public optimism that Iraq ultimately will capitulate under the weight of economic sanctions ordered by the United Nations, while making clear that repulsing Iraqi aggression will not be done quickly or easily.

''We understand that that will take some time,'' Fitzwater acknowledged in advance of the speech, ''and we're in this until it works.''

As of Tuesday, the United States was one of more than two dozen countries with forces committed to faceoff against Iraq, with an estimated 100,000 soldiers, sailors and airmen and some 58 warships in and around the Persian Gulf at a cost of at least $46 million a week.

A virtual trade embargo, enforced by U.S. and other warships now patrolling shipping lanes to and from Iraq, is denying Saddam oil revenues and imports of vital goods, including military spare parts and industrial equipment.

Despite ''small seepages'' and ''some small infractions around the edges,'' including overland shipments of food from Jordan and the arrival of some goods by air, Fitzwater insisted the sanctions have been ''almost 100 percent effective.''

The catalyst for the speech was Bush's weekend summit in Helsinki, Finland, with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, which ended with a bold show of superpower solidarity against Iraq, once Moscow's closest ally in the Middle East.

The summit outcome, a broad embrace of shared goals that masked continued differences over the means to achieve them, left Bush buoyed that the United States and the Soviet Union, for years protagonists in such regional conflicts, may cooperate in the post-Cold War world to prevent or

resolve them.

Indeed, his willingness to give the Soviets a major role in crisis resolution in the Middle East marked a wholesale reversal of U.S. policy that for more than a decade had sought to limit Moscow's role and influence in the region.

A new Washington Post-ABC News poll showed Tuesday that support for Bush's handling of the gulf crisis has remained high and even increased over the past month to an overall approval rating of 81 percent, though many Americans remain wary of where events might lead.

The poll found sharp divisions over the use of force to push Iraq out of Kuwait, the likelihood of war, and whether the United States should maintain a permanent military presence in the region even if the current conflict ends peacefully.

On balance, Americans appear to share Bush's view the United States has a right and responsibility to lead the international effort against Iraq, if concerned about the costs and levels of participation by Japan and European allies.

It is the uncertain duration of the U.S. intervention in the gulf that has some politicians worried. Bush, however, has been careful to avoid speculation on the likelihood or consequences of a protracted standoff devoid of hostilities.

In what may turn out to be mere escalation of the war of images with Saddam, Bush will videotape an 8- to 10-minute message Wednesday for possible broadcast on Iraqi television.

The White House seized on an invitation Thursday from Baghdad as a chance for Bush to provide his view, unfiltered by Iraqi censors, to the Iraqi people just as Saddam has spoken to Western audiences through interviews and official televised statements.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 11) UPI - The Raiders have agreed to remain in Los Angeles, ending a two-year saga during which the NFL team bargained with four cities for a home, United Press International learned Tuesday.

The Raiders, Coliseum and city officials scheduled a mid-afternoon news conference to announce the deal.

''I think you'll get confirmation this afternoon,'' Coliseum President N. Matthew Grossman told UPI. ''I'm very pleased at this point.''

The Coliseum Commission voted last Wednesday to drop a $58 million breach of contract suit against the team if it agreed by Tuesday to remain in the city.

Under terms of the deal, approved on a 5-2 vote during a two-hour closed-door session, Raiders owner Al Davis will be allowed to keep an advance the panel gave him in 1984 for stadium improvements that has grown to $10 million with interest.

The Coliseum's private manager, Spectacor Management Group, has offered the team another $20 million cash and $145 million in stadium improvements to remain in Los Angeles.

The Raiders also negotiated with surburban Irwindale, Sacramento and Oakland.

The Irwindale deal broke down, first in environmental debates and later after the San Gabriel Valley city could not secure the financing. Davis walked away with a $10 million advance for Irwindale.

The Raiders failed to meet Sacramento's deadline in February for a stadium deal.

Davis announced at the NFL meetings in March he would move the Raiders back to Oakland for the 1991 season. From 1960 to 1981 the Raiders played in Oakland, where they began as an original AFL team and later won two Super Bowls while grooming their silver-and-black image as the league's rebel team.

Oakland officials, facing a public outcry, removed a $604 million package to the Raiders in April before making their new offer in July.

Oakland officials last week gave Davis another month to consider their offer to return to the city he left in 1982. The offer included $127 million for stadium renovations and a $31.9 million loan to the team, payable with interest in two years.

Last week, Grossman said he believed the Coliseum's panel's action removed the final impediment to the city's effort to keep the Raiders.

''It meets every condition they have sought in terms of the litigation,'' Grossman said of the commission's decision to drop its $58 million suit against the team.

The suits stemmed from the Raiders' refusal to build luxury boxes in the stadium after the two sides disagreed on how the commission should use its proceeds from the antitrust judgment it received from the NFL, which tried

to stop the team from moving to Los Angeles.

Commissioners Deane Dana and Mike Antonovich cast the lone dissenting votes, arguing Davis should not be allowed to keep public money.

''As an elected official, I cannot support a gift of public money,'' said Dana, who like Antonovich is a member of the Board of Supervisors.

Antonovich called the proposed deal ''a shotgun marriage that we don't even know will work.''

But Don Webb, one of the chief negotiators for Spectacor, called the commission's action ''constructive.''

The deal was put together with the input of Mayor Tom Bradley and was tentatively approved at the first meeting attended by Commissioner William Robertson since his re-appointment to the panel by Bradley.

Robertson, a local labor leader, was influential in bringing the Raiders to Los Angeles and retains the trust of Davis, who had soured on the city after repeatedly clashing with the commission.

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AUGUSTA, GA (SEPT. 11) UPI - Augusta National Golf Club has accepted its first black member in an apparent attempt to avoid being marked discriminatory following a racial stir over membership policies at an all-white Birmingham, Ala., club.

The reported first black to be admitted to the prestigious host of the Masters golf tournament is close to 50, a native of Texas and belongs to another private club, where he also was the first black member, the Augusta Chronicle reported Tuesday.

The newspaper quoted an unnamed source saying the membership offer was made last Friday. A spokesman at the club would not confirm the move, saying club policy prohibits discussion about members.

''We don't release any information about members,'' general manager Jim Armstrong said, refusing to confirm or deny the report.

The supposed decision came after black groups threatened to demonstrate outside Shoal Creek Country Club during the PGA Championship, held at the club last month.

Under pressure from corporations that threatened to pull some $2 million worth of television advertising from telecasts of the PGA Championship,

Shoal Creek agreed to accept its first black member.

The controversy surrounding Shoal Creek prompted the PGA Tour, PGA of America and the United States Golf Association to adopt guidelines prohibiting discriminatory membership policies against minorities and women at clubs where tournaments are held. The new policy goes into effect in 1991.

Even though the Masters is run independent of the PGA, Augusta National President Hord Hardin, in the midst of the Shoal Creek conflict, said the club had been searching for a black member for the past year.

The first time a black competed in the Masters was in 1975 when Lee Elder was a participant. Until 1982, the first year competitors were allowed to bring their own caddies, all of the tournament caddies were black.

Since the membership edict was handed down by the three main administrative bodies of golf, at least one private club, Old Warson Country Club in St. Louis, has refused to change its membership policies.

The club, as a result, will not be holding the 1991 Southwestern Bell Classic.

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NORRISTOWN, PA (SEPT. 11) UPI - It's been four Christmases, two grandchildren and two family funerals since Joseph Cicippio was taken hostage in Beirut and still his family is keeping vigil without any inkling when he will be freed.

On Wednesday, Cicippio's brother, Thomas, will update the numbers on a sign outside his suburban Philadelphia home to mark the beginning of Cicippio's fifth year of captivity.

Cicippio, deputy controller of American University in the Lebanese capitol was kidnapped Sept. 12, 1986, as he walked to work. Since then, his family has had no contact with him other than sketchy reports from other freed hostages and a videotape released by his captors last year.

''I can remember very distinctly the day he was kidnapped I thought that he would not be held too long, that perhaps they'd let him out in a week or two,'' Cicippio said in an interview Tuesday at his Norristown home.

''It was so close to Christmas, I figured he would be out for the holidays. He's now spent four Christmases in captivity, and I hope he doesn't spend a fifth Christmas,'' said Cicippio, 66,.

Joseph Cicippio will celebrate his 60th birthday Thursday in the hands of the Revolutionary Justice Organization, an offshoot of the Iranian-backed Hezbollah group.

Since 1986, the Cicippio family has lived on a roller-coaster of emotions, depending on the news from the Middle East.

''It seems like there were a number of times before when we thought that the hostages might be released, and something comes up that throws a monkey wrench into it,'' Cicippio said.

The latest monkey wrench may be the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, which has sparked a massive military buildup in Saudia Arabia.

''This situation in the Middle East ... may put a damper on the release of our hostages, but we really don't know. We don't know which way it will go now,'' Cicippio said, who wears a yellow ribbon and button urging ''Free the Hostages.''

Since Joseph Cicippio was abducted, his sister and a brother-in-law have died and two grandchildren have been born. In all that time, Cicippio's relatives have heard from him only once, in the videotape released in August 1989.

''I have written to him,'' Cicippio said. ''I have never gotten answers and have no way of knowing if he received them.''

Outside the family's home, a wooden sign carries the names and length of captivity of all the Americans held hostage in Beirut. The name of one - Col. William Higgins - was boxed in black after the Marine was killed by his captors in July 1989.

Cicippio daily updates the days of captivity for each of the hostages. The longest held is Terry Anderson, a reporter held for 2,006 days.

Cicippio said if he could talk to his brother's captors he would not be critical.

''The first thought that comes to my mind is to thank them for taking care of him,'' Cicippio said. ''I don't know under what conditions they are keeping him, but they are keeping him alive.''

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 11) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev publicly embarrassed Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov by endorsing a rival group's economic plan Tuesday signalling a possible change of government to speed up the transition to

a market economy.

While deputies in the national legislature were embroiled in a political brawl marked by bitter personal attacks, the Russian Federation's parliament adopted a radical economic-reform plan for the republic that takes up three-quarters of the Soviet Union.

''The Russian Parliament today set off at full speed toward a market economy by adopting academician Stanislav Shatalin's daring reform plan, '' the official Tass news agency said.

Gorbachev told deputies in the Supreme Soviet, the national legislature, that he supports Shatalin's program over a more moderate plan developed by Ryzhkov, further enflaming an already heated debate.

''If you ask me, I'm more inclined toward the program developed by the Shatalin group,'' Gorbachev said.

Gorbachev's comment, minutes after Ryzhkov defended his own moderate plan and attacked the more radical Shatalin program, was the latest sign that the prime minister's days at the head of the Soviet government may be numbered.

Deputy Premier Leonid Abalkin, still officially in charge of Gorbachev's economic reforms, later told reporters that moderates and radicals are deeply divided over how quickly and at what costs the country should try to create a market economy.

''There are different options, and they cannot be reconciled,'' Abalkin said during a break in session.

''The question is which way is more realistic, suits current conditions, involves smaller social costs and, although longer, will not produce in several months the kind of shock that will make the people and the government allergic to the market idea for decades to come,'' he said.

Gorbachev and Russian Federation leader Boris Yeltsin agreed to join forces last month and devise an economic-reform plan for the Soviet Union.

They put Shatalin, a radical economist on Gorbachev's Presidential Council in charge of a joint working group of Soviet and Russian government officials. The panel used Yeltsin's bold ''500 Days'' blueprint as a basis for a plan to move the country to a market economoy within 18 months.

Ryzhkov, whose two previous economic-overhaul programs were rejected by parliament earlier this year, continued work on a separate new plan reflecting his more moderate views.

Ryzhkov warned lawmakers Tuesday that the Shatalin program's call to free all prices from central control on Jan. 1 will cause rampant inflation and a sharp drop in living standards.

The prime minister also said that the radical plan's intention to eliminate the government's $204 billion budget deficit by March 1 cannot be achieved without ''infringing on the vital interests of the large masses of the working people.''

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - Conoco Inc. Tuesday said it is boosting its domestic exploration budget by $10 million, making it the first major energy company to respond to the rise in crude oil prices with increased spending.

The Houston-based Du Pont subsidiary has a worldwide exploration budget of about $540 million.

The $10 million will be used to accelerate five prospects in the Gulf of Mexico that had been scheduled for drilling in 1991 and later, a spokesman said. The company did not disclose the location of the planned wells.

Max G. Pitcher, Conoco's executive vice president for worldwide exploration, said the company is making the move despite a drilling service and support industry that has yet to recover from the energy bust of the mid-1980s.

''With the literal dismantling of the exploration infrastruture in the United States during recent years, this country can't expect to see a significant increase in exploratory activity right away,'' Pitcher said.

''It must also be recognized that even if one of these wells is a commercial discovery, it still will be some time before it becomes a source of energy for the nation.

''But, while this single effort will not lessen U.S. dependence on overseas energy right away, it is a step in the right direction toward helping to provide the United States with long-term energy security,'' he said.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 11) UPI - Foreign ministers from the victorious World War II allies and the two Germanys gathered in Moscow Tuesday for a final negotiating session expected to give the formal go-ahead for German

unification Oct. 3.

The formal ''two-plus-four'' meeting between officials from East and West Germany and the United States, Britain, France and the Soviet Union was scheduled for Wednesday, and it is expected a final agreement will be signed then.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze met separately Tuesday with his counterparts from the United States and West Germany as lower- level officials negotiated the final wording of the agreement.

One of the last major obstacles was cleared Monday when Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl agreed on a compromise figure that Germany will pay to help withdraw 380,000 Soviet troops from East German territory.

A West German Finance Ministry spokesman in Bonn said Tuesday the Germans would pay $7.6 billion for the withdrawal, which is to take place over a four-year transition period.

West Germany is paying for part of the cost of withdrawing the Soviet troops and building new housing for them in what West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher has described as ''practically the price of German unification.''

Among the issues that were still being worked on was the Soviet request that a guarantee that nuclear weapons not be deployed in eastern Germany be expanded to include weapons capable of carrying either conventional or nuclear warheads.

The Soviet Union is also asking that no NATO maneuvers be held on East German soil, and experts were still working on the wording of restrictions on Soviet soldiers during the transition period.

''There are several issues that have to be resolved having to do with what might or might not happen on the territory of what was called the German Democratic Republic,'' Shevardnadze said before his meeting with Secretary of State James Baker.

''We'll be working on those together with our other two-plus-four colleagues.

The ''two-plus-four'' process began with an agreement setting up the negotiating mechanisms at the February ''Open Skies'' summit in Ottawa, and since then agreement has been reached on nearly all major issues.

The biggest hurdle in the eight months of work on the agreement on ''external aspects of German unification'' was cleared when Gorbachev

dropped his objections to a united Germany being a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, the Western military alliance.

During a meeting in the Soviet Union in July, Gorbachev and Kohl also agreed that no NATO troops be stationed in East Germany until the complete withdrawal of Soviet forces.

The Germans have also agreed that the combined German army will be cut to 370,000 troops.

In addition to the talks on German unification, Baker and Shevardnadze covered other issues including the Gulf crisis, American economic aid to the Soviet Union and crucial questions about disarmament.

Baker arrived in Moscow Monday night from Brussels, where he briefed NATO allies on the Helsinki summit and asked for more help in the Gulf.

Responding to a report that the Soviets were asking for further U.S. troop cuts in Europe, Baker also said Monday that a U.S.-Soviet agreement on troop levels was already outdated because of Soviet withdrawals from former East Bloc countries.

Shevardnadze said arms control negotiators were working on the issue.

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CAIRO, Egypt (SEPT. 11) UPI - The exiled Iraqi opposition seeking the overthrow of President Saddam Hussein of Iraq will continue an armed struggle against Baghdad and establish a government-in-exile, a group spokesman said Tuesday.

''We are preparing the ground for a government-in-exile that will form a credible alternative to Saddam Hussein,'' Dr. Abo Ali, the London-based official spokesman for the mostly Shiite Moslem Iraqi Islamic Al Daawa party, told United Press International.

''We are trying to work out a formula in which Islamicists, secularists and Kurds can work together on the armed struggle and achieve political cooperation,'' Ali said.

Ali's group was one of six Iraqi opposition groups that signed a declaration in London and the Syrian capital of Damascus last week calling on the Iraqi people to topple their leader to save their country from military confrontation with U.S.-led forces in the Persian Gulf.

The declaration also called for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the opposition pledged to continue the armed struggle against Saddam.

Ali said the diverse Iraqi opposition groups were also in the process of drafting a resolution that would soon be ratified.

The points of the resolution being discussed include the overthrow of Saddam Hussein, free elections and the establishment of a parliamentary, constitutional system with a transitional period for the interim government that would replace Saddam's Revolution Command Council.

The groups are also working toward a post-Saddam administration that would respect the constitution and independence of the executive, legislative and judicial branches of government, grant full rights to Iraq's Kurdish minority, and not discriminate between Iraqi Moslem Shiites and Sunnis, or between Iraqi Arabs and Iraqi Kurds.

The opposition groups involved were the Iran-backed Iraqi Islamic Al Daawa party, the Supreme Council of Islamic Revolution in Iraq, the Iraqi Islamic Action Organization, the pro-Syrian Iraqi Arab Baathist Socialist party, the Kurdistan Front of Iraq and the Iraqi Independent Liberal Democrats.

According to regional analysts, armed opposition to Saddam from the ''Iraqi Front of Revolutionary, Islamic and National Forces,'' consisting of Kurds, exiled Shiites and disaffected members of the ruling Iraqi Baathist party, died down after the ceasefire in the Iran- Iraq war in 1988.

The analysts said a tacit understanding between Iran and Iraq since the cessation of hostilities not to sponsor armed opposition groups meant a decline in the effectiveness of Iran and Syrian-backed groups.

Daawa, led by Sheikh Mohammad Asefi, is the oldest Iraqi opposition group founded in 1958. Daawa sources said the group was responsible for the 1981 bombing of the Iraqi Embassy in Beirut, which killed 53 people, and an assassination attempt the same year in Baghdad against Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz, who escaped with an arm injury.

Groups affiliated to the Iraqi opposition, including the Iraqi Islamic Amal, the Iraqi Hezbollah and the secular Kurdistan Democratic Party, have launched hit-and-run attacks on the Iraqi armed forces and have claimed responsibility for a number of bomb attacks on Iraqi government offices and industrial and military organizations.

Regional analysts believe the Iran-backed Iraqi Kurdistan Democratic Party and Iraqi Patriotic Union of Kurdistan represent the toughest secular opposition to Saddam but operate mainly in Iraq's northernmost province of Kurdistan.

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#90254u1364 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 11) UPI - A report says public services for the two-Million seriously mentally ill Americans are what it terms a ''disaster.'' The report was issued by the consumer group Public Citizen and the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, an organization of relatives of mentally ill individuals. The report says Hawaii offers the worst service, while Vermont rated the best.

Police in Manila say it was an accident after an officer dropped a tear cas canister near leftist students demonstrating for an end to the U-S military presence in the country. The demonstrators fled the area around the U-S embassy when the canister went off. Talks at renewing a treaty over the bases are set to resume next week.

Legal experts in West Germany say they don't expect much will come from a lawsuit that tries to keep a unified Germany from recognizing its eastern borders with Poland. But the suit might delay ratification of the treaty to bring about German unification. The suit was filed by eight members of the conservative Christian Democratic Union party of West German Chancellor Kohl.

Residents of Moscow who are used to standing long hours in line waiting to buy scarce goods are reported waiting for up to five hours to get into the first Pizza Hut to open in the Soviet Union. Those who finally got inside report the food and service were great. But they didn't like the long wait or the prices.

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#90254u1371 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
TALLAHASSEE, FL (SEPT. 11) UPI - Florida Lottery officials raised their estimate Tuesday for this week's Lotto jackpot to $90 million and said frenzied ticket-buying could push it to $100 million by the end of the week.

Sales through 11 a.m. Tuesday were about 100 percent higher than the best week on record, said Lottery Secretary Rebecca Paul, who again urged players to buy their tickets for the Saturday drawing as early in the week as possible.

At least three callers have approached the lottery so far this week about buying 13.9-million tickets at $1 apiece from the central office and covering all possible six-digit combinations, Paul said.

''We get those sort of calls whenever it gets over $50 million, but we won't do it,'' Paul said. ''Technically and philosophically, we can't and

won't. The computer can't print them out fast enough, and it's not fair to those players who are hoping to win the jackpot outright.''

Of course, she added, ''the callers are welcome to spend as much as they want and try to find enough terminals to handle the load.''

A $90 million prize would be the largest Lotto jackpot since the Florida Lottery gaming began and the second-highest amount in U.S. lottery history.

Pennsylvania holds the national record with a $115 million lottery jackpot that was divided among several winners.

The single largest payout to a lottery winner was $55.1 million won two years ago by Sheelah Ryan of Winter Park.

The jackpot opened at $75 million Sunday, when nobody matched all six numbers in the weekly drawing for the fourth consecutive week, and had climbed to $80 million by Monday afternoon.

The jackpot estimate is based on ticket sales projections for the next week, funds from rollovers and projected long-term interest rates, with winnings paid in 20 annual payments. If more than one person matches all six numbers, the winners would split the jackpot.

To play the Lotto, wagerers choose six numbers from one to 49. The odds of any $1 ticket matching all six numbers are one in 13,983,816, lottery officials said.

Sales for this week's drawing will continue until approximately 10:30 p.m. EDT Saturday. The drawing will be at 11 p.m. EDT.

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DEARBORN, MI (SEPT. 11) UPI - Nissan's Infiniti luxury car division said Tuesday it expects to sell about 40,000 units for the 1991-model year, more than double its expected sales of about 17,000 cars this year.

During a new model preview in Dearborn, Infiniti General Manager William R. Bruce said the addition of a small $17,500 luxury sedan called the G20 and the addition of 30 more U.S. dealers to its current count of 70 by late 1991 will help the recently formed division meet next year's sales goal.

''We never said we wanted to be the biggest luxury car franchise - just the best,'' Bruce said, stressing that customer satisfaction, not sales, have always been the top priority at the Carson, Calif.-based company.

By contrast, rival Toyota's Lexus luxury car division, which began operations about a month before Infiniti's November 1989 launch, said recently it is well on its way to selling 60,000 cars this year and expects to increase sales slightly for 1991.

Lexus already has over 100 dealers, with about 123 planned by the end of this year.

While Infiniti never publicly disclosed its 1990 sales targets, Bruce conceded the company did not meet internal sales expectations, partly because of its start during a traditionally slow time of year and a ''brand philosophy'' advertising campaign that ran too long and did not focus on the cars themselves.

He also said Infiniti began with only 50 dealers, 25 less than envisioned, because of an exhaustive selection process.

''This is not a copout or a defensive,'' Bruce insisted, adding that ''Lexus has outsold us by quite a bit.

''But we never aspired to be exactly what (Lexus) wanted to be,'' he said.

Infiniti's long-range plans have not changed, Bruce said. It still plans to have between 150 and 165 dealers by the mid-1990s, with annual sales in the 85,000- to 90,000-vehicle range.

''The whole luxury car segment has growth in it, which runs counter to the general car industry,'' he said, adding he has seen no effect on Infiniti's sales because of Middle East tensions and higher gas prices. ''The luxury car market has traditionally been insulated from economic conditions.''

New to Infiniti's line for 1991 is the G20, a small, front-drive luxury sedan intended as a fuel-efficient ''entry-level product for customers moving into the luxury car segment.''

It will go on sale this month starting at $17,500 with a long list of standard features, including anti-lock brakes - but no driver's air bag. A fully equipped G20 will cost $20,000, including the three extra-cost options: automatic transaxle, leather seats and electric sun roof.

It is powered by a 16-valve, 2-liter, 140 horsepower four-cylinder engine, and should compete with cars like BMW's 3-series and the Mercedes 190 sedans.

Infiniti's flagship Q45 luxury sedan, powered by a 278 hp 4.5-liter 32-valve V-8 engine, will cost $39,000 for 1991, up $1,000 from 1990.

Added as a $4,000 option for 1991 is ''full-active suspension,'' which Infiniti claims to be a first on any U.S. production automobile. Using two computers and hydraulic pumps, it automatically controls the car's suspension to smooth bumps and reduce body lean on turns or while braking.

But there is a 2 mpg penalty for the 120-pound system, which raises the Q45's gas guzzler tax from $500 to $1,050, both of which are included in either the base or option price.

Electronic traction control, which reduces engine power to minimize wheel spin on slippery surfaces, will also be added on the Q45 for 1991 as a $1,500 option.

Also new is a convertible version of its M30 coupe, to cost just over $30,000 when it goes on sale in November. Its top is fully automatic, requiring just one touch of a button to lower or raise.

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ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, IL (SEPT. 11) UPI - Motorola Inc. said Tuesday it has signed an agreement in principle with Siemens A.G., of Munich, West Germany, for the cross-licensing of essential patents for the Pan-European Digital Callular Moble Communications System.

Under the agreement, Motorola will obtain license for use of patented Siemens technology, while Siemens will obtain license to use patented Motorola technology.

The agreement comes on the heals of a similar cross-licensing agreement between Motorola and Alcatel, another major European telecommunications company.

Motorola has been awarded several digital cellular system contracts in Europe.

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#90254u1403 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

EDINBURGH, Scotland (SEPT. 11) UPI - British investigators issued their first official report Tuesday on the 1988 bombing of a Pan Am jumbo jet over Scotland in which they recommended that aircraft be strengthened to withstand bomb blasts.

In its report, which concentrated on technical matters, the British Transport Department's Air Accidents Investigation Branch also recommended improvements in the manufacture of planes' flight-recording systems, saying the ''black box'' aboard Pan Am Flight 103 did not have any record

of the explosion.

The report does not cover criminal or security aspects of the disaster, which are included in separate inquiries. No one has been charged for the attack.

A team of 15 accident inspectors worked for months reconstructing the Boeing 747 that was destroyed 31,000 feet above Lockerbie, Scotland, by a bomb, killing all 259 people on board and 11 on the ground. Wreckage from the aircraft was scattered over 845 square miles.

Police and military search teams, totalling 2,500 people, meticulously combed the area for wreckage and recovered 90 percent of it, including the brass lock that was on the suitcase that contained the radio-cassette player rigged as a bomb. The huge jisgaw was put together in a hanger in Longtown, 20 miles south of Lockerbie.

The British aviation experts built a meticulous and chilling picture of the sequence of the aircraft's disintegration within two to three seconds. The report concluded the bomb had been planted in the left forward cargo hold, 23 inches from the skin of the plane.

The blast blew a large hole in the fuselage and severed the main cabin floor. The cockpit detached within two to three seconds and most of the rest of the plane disintegrated while it was descending nearly vertically from 19,000 feet to 9,000 feet.

Because the Boeing 747 was destroyed so quickly, the investigators recommended that airworthiness authorities and aircraft manufacturers seek methods to make airplanes more structurally sound to mitigate the effects of explosive devices on planes.

''The investigation has enabled a better understanding to be gained of the explosive process involved in such an event and to suggest ways in which the effects of such an explosion might be mitigated both by changes to future design and by retrospective modification of aircraft,'' the report said.

It also revealed that the flight recorder contained no record of an explosion, and suggested alterations to existing recorders and improvements to new ones so that data would be recoverable after a power loss.

The Pan Am flight recorder showed nothing unusual - it simply stoped at 19 hours, two minutes and 50 seconds on Dec. 21, 1988. The cockpit voice recorder stopped at exactly the same time ''with a sudden loud sound,'' the report said.

It was not clear whether the noise was from the explosion or the destruction of the plane.

The report recommends four steps for improving flight recorders, including a Department of Transport-funded study to devise methods of recording explosions.

Regarding the 259 passengers and crew aboard the plane, the report said most of them had suffered severe multiple injuries at different stages ''consistent with the in-flight disintegration and ground impact.''

There was no indication of a fire on board and no evidence that any of the victims had been injured by shrapnel from the explosion.

''There was also no evidence which unequivocally indicated that passengers or cabin crew had been killed or injured by the effects of the blast,'' the report said.

''Of the casualties from the aircraft the majority were found in areas which indicated they had been thrown from the fuselage during the disintegration,'' it said. The bodies of 10 passengers had not been recovered.

Dr. Jim Swire, who lost a daughter in the explosion, said the investigators deserve ''a mammoth pat on the back'' for their work to reconstruct the plane and determine exactly how it was destroyed.

He said, however, that a separate investigation must be conducted to discover the flaw in security that allowed the bomb to be loaded aboard the plane in London. Flight 103 originated in Frankfurt, West Germany, and was headed to New York after a change of aircraft in at London's Heathrow Airport.

The security improvements made in Britain after the disaster are inadequate, he said, adding that equipment designed to detect Semtex, the plastic explosive used in the bomb, should be commonly available in airports.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - The Environmental Protection Agency proposed new rules Tuesday to cut carbon monoxide emissions from cars in cold weather, with EPA studies showing likely pollution reductions of 29 percent a year nationwide.

The EPA said the new regulations were aimed at reducing the big grayish clouds of carbon monoxide emitted by cars in cold weather, particularly

when they start up.

Cars are the major source of excessive carbon monoxide levels in the 41 cities nationwide that now exceed federal air quality standards for the pollutant, which reduces the flow of oxygen in the blood to the brain and other organs.

The proposal would for the first time set a federal limit on carbon monoxide emissions in cold weather, defined as temperatures down to 20 degrees Fahrenheit. Current federal regulations only apply down to 68 degrees Fahrenheit.

EPA officials said agency studies show recent model-year cars meet the current federal carbon monoxide limit of 3.4 grams of pollution per mile at operating conditions of 75 degrees Fahrenheit.

However, at 20 degrees Fahrenheit - where current federal standards are not in force - carbon monoxide emissions can range up to 35.9 grams per mile driven.

The new regulations set a carbon monoxide limit for cars at 10 grams per mile, applicable down to 20 degrees Fahrenheit. The new standards will be phased in, starting with 40 percent of an automaker's 1993-model year fleet and increasing to 100 percent by the 1995 model year.

EPA officials said the 3.4 grams per mile standard would remain in effect for temperatures between 68 degrees and 86 degrees Fahrenheit.

Carbon monoxide emissions result from incomplete combustion of fuel in car engines. The highest emissions occur in the first few minutes after a car is started because the engine needs extra fuel during warmup.

EPA officials say 90 percent of carbon monoxide increases at 20 degrees Fahrenheit come during ''cold starts.''

The agency said the new regulations are expected to reduce cold weather carbon monoxide emissions by 80 percent, compared with older vehicles.

EPA officials said the rules were only interim standards, based on their assessment of technological feasibility and cost-effectiveness in the short term. The agency said it is conducting long-term studies to determine if further reductions would be needed.

EPA analyses indicate the carbon monoxide rules will increase the cost of the average new car by $19 to $31. Agency officials said those additional costs will be offset by improved fuel economy resulting from improved carbon monoxide controls, which will ensure more complete fuel combustion in engines.

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#90254u1419 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 11) UPI - Pakistani refugees who fled to Iran from Kuwait described brutality by Iraqi soldiers, shortages after the Aug. 2 invasion and the pillaging of Kuwait shops, reports from Iran said Tuesday.

The Tehran newspaper Kayhan, circulated in Athens, Greece, quoted the refugees as saying that before they left Kuwait they saw Iraqi troops arresting Kuwaitis in the streets and long queues at bakeries and food stores.

Kayhan said there were some 100,000 Pakistanis in Kuwait before the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion, and another 10,000 in Iraq. Several thousand entered Iran through Turkey, and a few hundred came across the Shalamcheh crossing point on the Iraq-Iran border.

The refugees, interviewed outside the Pakistan embassy in Tehran, said food, though available, was difficult to get in Kuwait before they left, and many of the stores had been stripped of items of daily need.

Kuwaits were being brutalized on the streets of their capital city, and some were taken away for questioning merely on being identified as Kuwaitis, the refugees were quoted as saying.

Abdul Wahid Abdullah, one Pakistani refugees, said several of his compatriots who tried to leave Kuwait through Saudi Arabia were subjected to brutal treatment by Iraqi troops at the border.

He said he knew of one case in which a Pakistani family tried to cross into Saudi Arabia. At the border, Iraqi troops ''killed the father, set the mother free (in the desert) and took the two big daughters away with them,'' Abdullah said.

Another refugee said, ''Iraqi troops in Kuwait do not behave well with women and children of the general public and treat Kuwaitis and Palestinians very badly.''

But he said Palestinians cooperated with the invaders and acted as guides for them in the city. Several Palestinians were ''carrying arms, like the Iraqi troops,'' he said.

The refugees said Iraqi troops looted shops after the invasion, but several foreigners in Kuwait, particularly Palestinians, also participated in the looting.

Kayhan said the Pakistani refugees were being given three-day transit

visas in Iran to enable them to return home overland via Zahedan, near the Iran-Pakistan border.

Bangladeshis, who were being given six-day visas after reaching Tehran, were facing more difficulty getting home, and several were crossing into Pakistan, apparently to try to get back to Bangladesh over Indian territory.

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#90254u1420 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 11) UPI - Those with claims on some 10,000 businesses, from barber shops to factories, seized in 1972 by East Germany take heed: Sept. 16 is the deadline to file for restitution.

Earlier this year, in preparation for the reunification of Germany set for Oct. 3, the German Democratic Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany jointly created laws to assist those whose property was confiscated under the communist regime that controlled East Germany until last year.

But many who may be entitled to make claims - including individuals who held stock in companies that were seized and turned into state- controlled entitities - are unaware of the laws and deadlines, according to the Philadelphia-based law firm of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius.

In addition to the September deadline for those who lost businesses as the result of an unpublished 1972 decree, the cutoff date for filing claims for property lost after the formation of East Germany in 1949 was recently moved up to Oct. 13 from Jan. 31, 1991, a spokesman for the law firm said.

Those who fled the country, who had property confiscated or lost it through fraud, corruption or coercion are entitled to make claims. Additionally, people whose property was seized by the government from 1945 on because they were non-Germans are eligible to file for restitution.

Property covered includes businesses, real estate, mortgages, personal property, bank accounts, and claims against debtors who resided in East Germany.

''The laws and deadlines are not well-known,'' said Markham Ball, whose firm represents individuals and businesses who are making claims against East Germany.

Even U.S. citizens who have won awards against East Germany through the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the Justice Department now should file for compensation directly to East Germany, Ball said.

Some 1,900 awards were granted - out of 4,000 claims filed - by the

commission in 1979 and 1980, but they have yet to be paid by East Germany under a lump-sum settlement agreement.

A State Department representative who asked not to be named said the agency continues to pursue the lump-sum agreement, but recognizes that ''individuals may wish to file under the new laws because they provide an opportunity to get a return of property, which would not be available under the lump-sum agreement.''

In a joint statement issued June 15, both German governments said they are committed to restoring confiscated property to rightful owners, who include the heirs of deceased claimants.

But the goverment has yet to spell out how it will value property, said Robert V. Daly, a lawyer in the Frankfurt office of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius.

''If you had a business taken away, we still don't know if you get the value of the business at that time or now,'' Daly said.

The question of whether interest due to claimants will be paid also remains unanswered, he said.

''Or you may get back a building, but it may be a wreck,'' he said. ''These are issues yet to be resolved.''

Where it is not possible to return property, the German laws provide for monetary compensation.

Additionally, there are provisions to put aside disputed property transactions since last November, when East Germans were first allowed to begin purchasing the property they were living in, Daly said.

''You can ask to have those deals set aside rather than take money back,'' he said.

To receive information about registering claims, the State Department advises contacting the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, Washington D.C. 20579, (202) 653-5883 or the assistant legal adviser for International Claims and Investment Disputes, 2100 K Street NW, Washington D.C. 20037, (202) 632-5040.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 11) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Tuesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	78.60	79.12	78.55	78.95	78.55
Dec	76.77	77.05	76.57	76.97	76.77
Feb	75.35	75.72	75.35	75.60	75.47
Apr	75.90	76.17	75.87	76.02	75.92
Jun	73.80	74.00	73.70	73.95	73.80
Aug	72.25	72.25	72.00	72.00	71.90
Oct	72.20	72.20	72.05	72.05	71.95

Est. sales 16,411 contracts; Monday 11,408; open interest 70,108 off 1,056.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Sep	87.70	87.90	87.65	87.75	87.70
Oct	86.97	87.17	86.72	86.95	87.02
Nov	86.95	87.20	86.82	87.05	87.00
Jan	86.30	86.47	86.05	86.40	86.15
Mar	84.75	84.95	84.65	84.92	84.70
Apr	83.75	83.95	83.65	83.80	83.42
May	82.50	82.70	82.50	82.70	82.25

Est. sales 1,753 contracts; Monday 1,415; open interest 9,999 up 99.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	50.25	50.85	50.15	50.72	50.17
Dec	51.25	51.37	50.80	51.25	51.17
Feb	48.65	48.75	48.35	48.67	48.60
Apr	44.90	45.05	44.65	44.92	44.90
Jun	49.25	49.40	49.15	49.40	49.20
Jly	49.45	49.65	49.25	49.65	49.45
Aug	48.00	48.30	48.00	48.30	48.10
Oct	....	43.70	43.60	43.70	43.70

Est. sales 8,003 contracts; Monday 7,715; open interest 27,956 off 751.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	53.60	53.65	52.40	52.72	53.17
Mar	53.40	53.45	52.25	52.67	52.95
May	53.90	54.30	53.00	53.10	53.60
Jly	53.62	54.50	53.40	53.87	54.12
Aug	....	....	51.60	51.60	52.00

Est. sales --,--- contracts; Monday 2, 623; open interest 6,435 off 79.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Tuesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 118.79 up 24 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 117.75 up 10 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 113.81 up 21 cents, 700-850 lbs. 113.21 up 8 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins and

Boston butts not fully established; skinned hams fully steady; seedless bellies 1.00-2.00 higher in a thin test; loins 14-18 lbs. 117.50; hams 17-20 lbs. 91.00, 20-26 lbs. 90.00-91.00, 26-32 lbs. 89.00, 32 lbs. and up 88.00; bellies 12-16 lbs. 47.00, 16-18 lbs. 43.00.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - In an about-face from their much-publicized 1973 study, researchers Tuesday said they have found drinking four or more cups of coffee a day boosts the risk of heart attack by about 40 percent.

Based on the new research, a team headed by Dr. Arthur Klatzky of Kaiser Permanente Medical Center recommended people prone to heart attacks limit daily coffee consumption to less than four cups.

In the latest study, the researchers studied the relationship between coffee intake and heart attack risk among 101,774 people who underwent general checkups at Kaiser Permanente hospitals in northern California in 1978 through 1985.

During the checkup, patients were given a questionnaire asking if they drank coffee or tea, and, if so, to specify daily intake. About 28 percent of patients said they drank no coffee, about 14 percent drank less than 1 cup, 41 percent drank one to three cups, about 13 percent drank four to six cups and about 4.5 percent drank more than six cups.

After taking into consideration such factors as smoking, age, cholesterol levels, alcohol intake, blood pressure, obesity and blood sugar, researchers found people who drank four or more cups of coffee daily had a 40 percent greater incidence of heart attacks than people who drank lesser amounts.

''We were surprised at this,'' said Dr. Gary Freidman, co-author of the study published in the September issue of the American Journal of Epidemiology. ''But we decided we should not be unwilling to change our minds in the face of the new data.''

The National Coffee Association Tuesday had no immediate comment on the study.

In their 1973 article, which appeared in the Journal of the American Medical Association, the Kaiser Permanente doctors argued it was not necessary to limit coffee for people who have suffered heart attacks or were at risk of heart attacks.

''We still do not advise withdrawal of the solace of a cup or two, but our new study is consistent with the view that heavier coffee use increases

myocardial infarction (heart attack) risk,'' the researchers said. ''We now suggest that persons at high risk of myocardial infarction should limit coffee use to less than four coups a day.''

Friedman emphasized the findings do not prove that coffee directly causes heart attacks. Factors not measured by the study, such as stress or certain dietary habits, may boost both coffee consumption and heart attack risk, he said.

If coffee does act directly to increase heart attack risk, researchers said it appears the culprit is something in the brew other than caffeine. The study found no increased heart attack risk among people who drank four or more cups of tea, which, like coffee, is high in caffeine.

Although some recent studies have found decaffeinated coffee and the boiled coffee common in Scandinavia raises cholesterol levels, the California study said higher cholesterol levels did not appear to be the major reason heavy coffee drinkers had a higher heart attack rate.

The possible link between coffee and heart disease was first raised by a 1963 study. However, that association was later attributed to the tendency of cigarette smokers to drink coffee. Two large studies of hospital patients in the early 1970s turned up ties between heart attacks and coffee drinking independent of smoking, but more studies in the following decade did not find such links and concern about the role of coffee in heart disease waned.

Asked what might explain the contradictory findings of the new study and the work 17 years ago, Friedman said it might stem from the increasing popularity of strong, filtered coffee in California. But more likely, the questionaire used in the latest research was more sensitive than the old questionnaire, which only asked people if they drank more than six cups of coffee a day, he said.

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#90254u1461 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - Preliminary numbers for the 1990 census came up short of estimates, but census officials said Tuesday the totals almost certainly will increase as follow-up work continues.

Some members of Congress, however, are calling the census a failure, one that will have serious economic consequences for many areas and large groups of the U.S. population. They say minorities, in particular, were undercounted.

Census Director Barbara Bryant told a House subcommittee Tuesday that while the initial count is finished, ''the census is still in progress.''

The preliminary population count released two weeks ago was 245,837, 681. That was short of the estimated total of 250 million and Bryant acknowledged that ''some have questioned whether the count is wrong or the estimate is wrong.''

''In any case, the difference between the two figures is less than 2 percent, and will narrow as the census progresses,'' she said.

''The census count will increase in practically every jurisdiction throughout the country because of ongoing coverage improvement programs. We expect to add millions of persons before the count is delivered to the president (by Dec. 31).''

The final figures will be used to apportion representation in the House and determine the amount of federal funds to be received by various areas. Several witnesses said the count is off and probably cannot be corrected.

Rep. Donald Payne, D-N.J., disputed census figures indicating that the predominantly black city of Newark, N.J., lost 27 percent of its population over the last decade.

Rep. Norman Mineta, D-Calif., and others said the Asian-American community was significantly undercounted. That group includes ''over 3 million recent immigrants who are probably the most vulnerable to being missed by the census.''

Rep. Martin Frost, D-Texas, said warnings about the undercount of minorities went unheeded by the Census Bureau and that ''our worst fears have been realized.''

The bureau ''has done an excellent job of counting white suburbanites but, for some reason, cannot count minorities very well.''

Frost cited the case of 16 Texas counties. In eight predominantly white counties ''the 1990 count exceeded the 1988 projection and in each of the heavily Hispanic counties, the 1990 count was less'' than the projection.

''Are we to seriously believe that the Census Bureau consistently found more whites than they estimated but was unable to find even the number of Hispanics that they estimated as of 1988?'' he asked.

Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., said the census ''has failed and ... this failure could have been avoided.''

''New York City epitomizes this tragedy,'' Schumer said. ''Almost everything that could have gone wrong with the census in New York, did.''

The census count came up with a figure of about 7 million people, but city officials ''estimate an undercount of 1 million people, 200,000 missing housing units, and 6,000 blocks with discrepancies in the city alone.''

''Cities from Newark to Atlanta are reporting similar inconsistencies,'' he said.

Bryant said several post-census programs are under way to complete the count, including local government review of the preliminary figures reported last month, plus partial recanvassing and other steps. Schumer said those efforts are inadequate.

In 1980, the local review ''was little more than a minor cosmetic operation that added only 76,000 people to the count nationwide,'' Schumer said.

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OTTAWA (SEPT. 11) UPI - A handful of Mohawk Indians, women and children engaged in a fierce standoff against the Canadian army Tuesday offered to surrender if the government agreed to a joint probe into alleged crimes committed during the eight-week dispute.

Mohawk negotiator Bob Antone said the Indians, who are surrounded by armed soldiers on the Kanesatake reserve south of Montreal, would lay down their weapons and surrender to police if the government accepts their latest offer. The Mohawks previously said they wanted to conduct their own investigation.

''We have offered a very flexible position,'' Antone said.

There was no immediate response to the offer from the federal or Quebec governments.

The government suspended negotiations with the Mohawks two weeks ago and repeatedly said there would be no amnesty for Indians suspected of crimes during the standoff.

The dispute began July 11 when Quebec police stormed a barricade erected by Mohawks on the Kanesatake reserve in Oka around land earmarked for a golf course expansion that the Indians claimed was an ancient burial ground. A police officer was killed in the action.

Days later, sympathetic Mohawks at the Kahnawake reserve set up barricades across major highways and the Mercier Bridge linking the town of Chateauguay to Montreal.

In August, the Quebec government ordered the Canadian army to conduct a peaceful campaign against the natives.

The standoff began to fizzle out two weeks ago when Kahnawake natives and the army agreed to jointly tear down barricades and reopened the bridge. Most of the Warriors Society, a militant faction of the Mohawk nation, fled the Kanesatake reserve, leaving only about 50 militants, women and children holed up in a drug treatment center on the Kanesatake reserves as a last defense.

The Indian negotiator Antone said the Mohawks would agree to surrender to the army and put their weapons in a ''neutral'' location until a joint commission of government representatives and Indians completed an investigation into alleged criminal actions.

Antone made it clear the Mohawks want nothing to do with Quebec police who they fear will take revenge on natives for the standoff.

Canada's top lawmaker, meanwhile, said the rule of law would apply equally to all Canadians, including natives.

Solicitor-General Pierre Cadieux told reporters he could not condone the use of high-powered weapons, violence and law-breaking by members of the Warrior Society.

''Warrior use of heavily-armed forces against law enforcement authorities is unacceptable and will not intimidate governments,'' Cadieux said.

But George Watts, chief of the Nuucha Luth tribal council on Vancouver Island, told a gathering of native chiefs in Ottawa natives should not fall under Canadian law.

''We are not Canadians and we will never be Canadians as long as we live under colonial rule,'' Watts said, adding the government and Canada's aboriginals were on a ''collision course'' because of the failure to resolve major issues such as the sovereignty of Indian nations.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Gold futures closed 170 to 280 points higher Tuesday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	379.00	379.00	379.00	380.50	378.60
Oct	379.00	384.70	378.20	382.00	380.30
Dec	383.80	389.10	382.60	386.60	384.80

Feb	388.00	399.00	387.30	390.90	389.00
Apr	392.70	395.00	392.00	394.90	392.90
Jun	396.50	400.00	396.50	399.20	397.10
Aug	400.00	401.50	399.00	403.20	401.00
Oct	404.40	....	....	407.70	405.40
Dec	411.20	411.20	411.20	412.20	409.80
Feb	413.60	....	....	417.10	414.60
Apr	418.20	....	....	421.80	419.20
Jun	423.00	....	....	426.80	424.00

Open interest: 118,402 off 866.
Estimated sales: 35,000 contracts.

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BY SANA ATIYEH - UPI

AMMAN, JORDAN (SEPT. 11) UPI - If anyone should resent Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, it is Mo'ness Razzaz, whose father Muneef Razzaz was confined to house detention for six years in Baghdad until his death in 1984 because he opposed the execution of Iraqi officials.

But despite the years of psychological torment the junior Razzaz suffered while he was in Beirut awaiting the release of his parents and little sister and dealing with the shock of feeling betrayed by his own people, today he supports Iraq in every step it has taken since it invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

Razzaz's support for Iraq represents a feeling shared by many Jordanian intellectuals despite Saddam's undemocratic methods.

''As democratic Arab intellectuals, we are faced with only two choices: either to support the dictator (Saddam) who is trying to achieve Arab unity and a strong, modern state, or the dictators who are not only inviting, but also buying, Western colonialism in the Arab region,'' said Razzaz, a prominent Jordanian writer and newspaper columnist.

''So if it's a choice between a dictator and traitors - who are also dictators - then the choice can only be to support the dictator who happens to be a genuine Arab patriot,'' Razzaz told UPI.

Not only is the writer - whose father was a high-ranking Jordanian Ba'athist Party official and at one time described as ''Saddam's teacher'' - supporting Iraq in his columns, but he is also willing to enlist and fight alongside the Arab country if confrontation with the U.S.-led military forces should occur.

Razzaz's position, he explained, was subjective, not a ''self-centred or

emotional'' one. He compared himself with a hypothetical situation with Trotsky's son: ''Trotsky's son would not join the Nazis to revenge his father's murder by Stalin; nor would he argue with Stalin over lack of democracy. He would first enlist to defend his country, and the argument over democracy can come later. It's a matter of priorities.''

Growing up in an Arab nationalist home, Razzaz could only support Iraq against any U.S. or Western intervention or aggression. As a former Ba'athist but still believing in its ideology of the one Arab nation, he also supports what he called ''uniting Kuwait with Iraq by force because 750,000 Kuwaiti millionaires would not want to peacefully unite with 14 million Iraqi peasants.''

''Bismarck and Abraham Lincoln united their own countries by force, so there is nothing wrong with that. And I don't want to hear the West talking about the importance of democracy in the Arab World because it never existed anyway,'' the writer commented.

Razzaz, author of ''Confessions of a Gunsilencer,'' a fictitious novel based on his family's experience under Iraqi detention, stressed that the priority was to gain independence from ''Western hegemony and colonialism.''

''Should the Arab nation be squeezed under the boot of the (American) marines, and thus the Arab political decision emerges from under that boot or should the decision emerge as an Arab national one? The answer must be the latter,'' Razzaz said, expressing a wide-spread belief among the intellectuals who were persecuted by the Iraqi regime and critics of Saddam's ''undemocratic measures.''

His columns, however, also carried articles saying that the Gulf crisis and the popular Arab and Iraqi support for Saddam was a good opportunity to introduce democracy into the country.

As someone who knew Saddam on a close and personal level, Razzaz said that ''playing with Saddam is extremely dangerous.''

''Saddam is not a man to pressure because the more he is pushed into a corner, the more vicious he will become. He will not ride the ship and escape, he will burn the ships and himself,'' Razzaz said, adding that the president had begun to withdraw his troops from Kuwait in the first few days after the invasion, but brought in 140,000 soldiers after he was challenged with rapid decisions taken against him.

The writer stressed that from what he knew of Saddam, if war is waged against him, the president was willing to fight until the last Iraqi was left. Razzaz recalled what Saddam had said in front of him and his father before his father was arrested.

Saddam had said: ''If I am ever defeated in a war or coup d'etat, I promise I will fire my machinegun until my arm fails to carry the gun. Then I will shoot the last bullet in my head. If I am caught alive, all you comrades are invited to come and urinate on my grave because I would deserve it.''

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - News reports from Japan say Tokyo may send as many as two-thousand unarmed troops and civilians to support a multi-national force in the gulf region. Japan also says it will increase its more than one-BILLION- dollar contribution to the U-S-led effort against Iraq, but Tokyo is NOT giving a dollar figure.

President Bush will address a joint session of Congress tonight on U- S efforts in the Persian Gulf and his summit with Soviet President Gorbachev. Bush also is expected to touch on the lack of progress in budget talks with congressional leaders in his nationally broadcast speech on Capitol Hill.

New York State Supreme Court Justice Thomas Galligan today stayed true to his reputation as a tough sentencer. Galligan lambasted three youths for turning Central Park into a- quote- ''torture chamber.'' He then sentenced them to serve five to 10 years in prison in the gang rape and beating of a jogger last year.

The Office of Thrift Supervision rejects arguments by Neil Bush that he cannot be disciplined for his activities as head of a failed Colorado savings and loan. The agency wants the president's son banned from any future work at a federally insured financial institution.

The chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee says his panel will try to fill in the blanks about David Souter's judicial philosophy. But Delaware Democrat Joseph Biden says President Bush's U-S Supreme Court nominee will NOT be asked ''how he will vote'' on future cases in hearings that begin Thursday.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	385.25 off 1.75
Morning fixing	378.40 off 6.85

Afternoon fixing	378.50 off 6.75
Close	381.00 off 4.25
Paris	379.03 off 5.92
Zurich	380.50 off 4.85
Hong Kong	379.63 off 5.12
New York	
Comex spot close	380.50 up 1.90
Republic cash	381.50 up 2.25
Handy and Harman	378.50 off 6.00

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 379.79 off 6.01 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 398.78 off 6.31 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.777 off 0.022
Republic cash	4.81 up 0.01

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.775 per fine ounce up 0.03

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.78 up 0.01 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.115 up 0.011

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 457.50 off 16.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 577.50 off 16.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 106.00 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 121.00 off 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 6 to 13 points higher. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	11.30	11.40	11.23	11.33	11.20
Mar	11.05	11.10	10.96	11.01	10.90
May	11.06	11.10	10.98	11.00	10.89
Jly	11.05	11.07	10.99	10.99	10.89
Oct	11.14	11.15	11.04	11.04	10.98

Estimated sales: 19,166 contracts

Open interest: 115,203 off 1,367
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.46

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 2 to 19 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.29	23.29	23.11	23.11	23.30
Jan	22.95	22.95	22.84	22.85	23.02
Mar	22.85	22.85	22.79	22.82	22.87
May	22.85	22.88	22.85	22.86	22.88
Jly	22.85	22.87	22.85	22.87	22.91
Sep	22.85	22.86	22.85	22.86	22.88
Nov	22.80	....	....	22.69	22.80

Estimated sales: 868 contracts
Open interest: 10,229 off 206

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	380.57	230.66	128.93	23.92	321.63
Opening	379.57	230.20	128.76	23.82	320.80
11 a.m.	379.43	230.45	128.77	23.83	320.73
Noon	378.86	229.76	128.56	23.73	320.17
1 p.m.	378.83	229.35	128.52	23.68	320.08
2 p.m.	379.64	230.17	128.67	23.69	320.71
3 p.m.	380.28	230.28	128.86	23.70	321.20

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter turned down the idea of a special round of subsidy payments to wheat farmers Tuesday, arguing the government already is supplying sizable income support to them.

In a letter to a key House Agriculture subcommittee chairman, Yeutter also rejected a suggestion to announce a specific land set-aside requirement for the 1991 wheat crop. He said it would be improper to do so until Congress completes work on the new farm policy law.

With wheat prices in a slump due to bumper crops in the United States and around the world, the Bush administration has faced a series of calls by Wheat Belt congressmen for more government action to prop up wheat prices or limit the size of next year's crop.

This year's crop, estimated at 2.7 billion bushels, is up 33 percent from last year and would be the third largest on record.

''Wheat prices have dropped significantly, more than most experts had expected, and that is a traumatic experience for producers,'' Yeutter said in the letter to Rep. Dan Glickman, D-Kan.

However, Yeutter rejected suggestions of making a special round of crop support payments to wheat farmers in anticipation of continued low prices. Wheat farmers received an advance deficiency payment when they enrolled in the farm program, he noted, and they can put their grain under government loan if they need additional money while waiting. The final deficiency payments will be made in a few months.

''That combination of actions by the government should give most wheat farmers a satisfactory cash flow picture for the year,'' Yeutter said.

Glickman has suggested a 20 percent land set-aside would be appropriate for next year. Sen. Robert Dole, R-Kan., favors 15 percent. This year's set-aside was 5 percent.

Yeutter has said the setaside for 1991 will be in the range of 10 percent to 20 percent.

''That is ... the best I can do for farmers when the legislative outcome is uncertain,'' he said.

Yeutter chastized the idea of a large set-aside or putting large amounts of grain into multiyear storage. Those ideas allow U.S. competitors to expand their share of the market at the expense of U.S. farmers, he said.

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WITH U.S. FORCES IN SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 11) UPI - The men of the U.S. 82nd Airborne Division know that if they are given a mission to fight against Iraq, many will die.

Unlike other units deployed in Saudi Arabia, the crack paratroopers have seen action, having spearheaded the December invasion of Panama.

''There is nothing like the sound of a bullet cracking over your head,'' said Panama veteran Lt. David Woods, 24, of Pittsburgh, manning a foxhole

with a Dragon anti-tank missile aimed at an adjacent road that leads to Kuwait.

But many of the 82nd troopers said during a recent visit to their positions in eastern Saudi Arabia that the action to bag Panama's Gen. Manuel Noriega - in which more than 20 died - would rate as a mere skirmish to the potential bloodshed of a war between Iraq and the American and allied Arab forces.

One officer predicted ''tens of thousands of casualties'' on either side, and this less sanguine view was shared by several other paratroopers in the division which normally has about 12,000 men.

The soldiers declared a total willingness to fight and a strong desire to test their training.

''It'd be highspeed, doing something like a jump,'' said Pvt. Tommy Riner, 19, a TOW anti-tank missileman from Cleveland, Va., manning a position overlooking a vast plateau of sand. ''It's got to be better than sitting around here.''

But a sensitivity to the potential carnage is rooted in the understanding that just as they were the first large-scale defensive deployments in Saudi Arabia, they may be the first units to take on the hazardous mission into occupied Kuwait.

Any ground offensive against Iraq would be spearheaded by M1 Abrams tanks and other heavy-duty items of America's arsenal, a role for which the 82nd with its lighter weaponry, would not be suited.

The paratroopers' task would probably be to exercise their ''forced entry capability,'' military jargon for landing by aircraft or parachute behind enemy lines to capture an objective, which is then held until ground forces hopefully link up, or more airborne troops arrive.

But as the World War II battle of Arnheim showed, when many allied soldiers died because they had been dropped in behind German lines in Holland unrealistically distant from the advance, it could be catastrophic if lightly armed paratroopers were left at the mercy of well-prepared defenders.

Although the 82nd has more firepower than all five allied airborne divisions that existed in World War II, its mission is still daunting.

Armchair strategists have earmarked Kuwait City airport as the likely airborne objective, a location that reports have said is heavily manned by Iraqi troops.

''This division could do that, take it and win,'' Sgt. Bradford R. Leach, a 24-year-old Sheridan tank commander, pondered about the airport operation. ''I would not want to do it because we would lose a lot of men. It would be a real mess of an operation.''

With the 82nd's initial mission of defending Saudi Arabia now being superceded by marines and mechanized units armed with more lethal weapons, its day-to-day role in Saudi Arabia is less defined.

Washington clearly has more options for any Middle East conflagration in keeping the 82nd on hand, but also has limited its rapid deployment capability should a crisis erupt elsewhere in the world.

The division has decided to use the time as a training exercise in desert warfare.

All its equipment can be dropped by parachute, including 17-ton Sheridan tanks and 105 mm howitzers, which come equipped with high explosive, white phospherous and anti-personnel shells.

Humvee jeeps equipped with TOW anti-tank missiles are aimed at fending off any armored attack on the paratroopers. Individual soldiers are armed with shoulder-fired armor piercing devices.

''We are normally the first to get deployed because we are the easiest to move,'' said Major Baxter Ennis. ''And we are ready for combat when we hit the ground.''

That is a situation many GIs await with trepidation.

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#90254u1542 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - An inmate returning to prison from his work release program helped collar two muggers he saw ripping off a woman on a subway car, telling two policemen who joined the chase, ''I'm with corrections!,'' officials said Tuesday.

The convicted drug dealer was riding a train back to prison Monday at 7:40 p.m. when he spotted four men stealing a chain from a rider as the car pulled into a Brooklyn subway station.

In the next car, two undercover Transit Police officers who had been trailing the suspects gave chase as the muggers fled from the subway with the prison inmate in pursuit, said Al O'Leary, a Transit Police spokesman.

''While they were running, the man shouted, 'I'm with corrections!' and they caught two of the four suspects,'' O'Leary said.

While questioning the subway crimebuster, the officers learned that he was returning to a state correction facility in Queens after spending the day on work release.

O'Leary said the man, whom police would not identify, was serving five to 10 years in jail for selling drugs to an undercover police officer.

''He had to make it back to Queens to make 7:30 p.m. roll call,'' O'Leary said. ''So the sergeant gave him a note explaining the delay.''

The man, who had already served five years of his sentence, was slated to have his first parole hearing in 19 months and was planning to get married O'Leary said.

Police arrested Keith Johnson, 19, and Desmond Waters, 16, and charged them with second-degree robbery and second-degree assault. Early Tuesday, Transit Police arrested a third suspect, Archie Forman, 17, on the same charges, O'Leary said.

The fourth suspect was still at large.

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DETROIT (SEPT. 11) UPI - Parents of a teenager who died after a botched illegal abortion Tuesday urged Michigan legislators to reject a bill identical to the Indiana parental consent law they blame for her death.

Karen and Bill Bell of Indianapolis joined the national Fund for the Feminist Majority in an emergency effort, saying the Legislature could vote on the bill as early as Wednesday. The bill, requiring consent of one parent or a judge, went to the Legislature through a referendum and cannot be vetoed.

''This beautiful 17-year-old died needlessly because others for political or moral reasons have seen to it to dictate how young women in this time of crisis must act,'' Bell said.

Bell said their daughter could not bring herself to tell her parents she was pregnant and died ''because we happened to live in the wrong state.''

''We're here to buy some time,'' said Katherine Spiller, national coordinator for the Feminist Majority. ''We're asking the Legislature to delay until they've had time to hear the Bells.''

The ''Becky Bell Campaign - Fighting for Young Women's Lives'' coincides with the second anniversary of Becky Bell's Sept. 17, 1988, death. The

campaign planned stops in Ann Arbor, Lansing, Kalamazoo, Saginaw and Birmingham and candelight vigils are scheduled Monday at six college campuses around the state.

The Bells said they were a close, loving family with no secrets between them until Becky was faced with either telling them, petitioning a judge known to oppose abortions, going 110 miles to Kentucky or having it done illegally in Indianapolis.

Both said parental involvement sounds good and they probably would have favored it two years ago.

''But Becky is a perfect example of how no matter how close, how loving, there are no guarantees,'' Bell said.

''As long as there are those out there willing to write these punishing laws, I'm going to be here,'' Bell said. ''Becky wasn't a theory and her death is going to have some meaning.''

Gov. James J. Blanchard vetoed a consent law passed by the Legislature, and the referendum campaign to place it before the Legislature was launched in response to his action.

Lawmakers could enact it immediately or place it on the statewide ballot for the 1992 election.

Karen Bell said her daughter ''was a good girl'' who fell in love with her first boyfriend and when she told him she was pregnant, thinking he would marry her, ''he said, 'get the hell out of my life.''' Planned parenthood in Indianapolis told he she would have to get the consent of a parent for an abortion.

''If it could happen to our family, it could happen to any family,'' she said. ''Becky didn't want to disappoint us and tried to handle the matter herself. She felt that she had no safe options to get much needed medical care, especially since the judge in Indianapolis did not grant waivers to young women.

''Thinking she had nowhere else to turn, Becky obtained a back alley abortion and died from a massive infection. I would rather not have known about Becky's abortion and have her with me today,'' she said. ''That law killed my daughter.''

The Bells introduced a memorial bracelet, similar to those worn during the Vietnam war, which they said symbolize the impact of restrictive abortion laws.

''This is the Vietnam war for women,'' said Spiller.

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#90254u1563 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - Iraq will ease restrictions slightly on American hostages by permitting Arab-born male U.S. citizens to leave occupied Kuwait with American women and children, the State Department said Tuesday.

The State Department termed the move an ''important development'' and said it had arranged for two more U.S.-chartered Iraqi Airways jetliners to airlift more Americans from Kuwait - one Wednesday, one Friday. They would bring to five the number of American evacuation flights since Friday.

However, the department warned U.S.-born American men hiding out in Kuwait that they ''remain subject to detention and arrest'' by Iraqi troops, who invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

The change by Iraq, which began allowing women and children to leave Kuwait last week, followed the joint superpower demand at the Helsinki summit that Iraq withdraw from the gulf emirate, tightening the diplomatic noose around Baghdad, which already is being choked by economic sanctions that Washington views as nearly 100 percent foolproof.

''In our view, there is absolutely no doubt that the sanctions are effective,'' State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

''Desperate moves such as the Iraqi offer of free oil to some nations, which is an attempt to circumvent the sanctions, are proof that the sanctions are working.''

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein offered free oil to Third World countries that could come and get it - through a naval blockade made up mainly of U.S. warships - in an attempt to crack the trade embargo imposed by the United Nations.

About 1,700 Americans remain trapped in Kuwait, but there was no breakdown of how many are women, children, men born in the United States or men born in Arab countries. Another 100 Americans are in Iraq, Boucher said.

These include ''just under 90'' Americans being detained by the Iraqis in Iraq and Kuwait, he said. Those captives have been described as ''human shields'' for Iraqi military and industrial installations.

About 600 Americans have been evacuated thus far from Iraq and Kuwait, Boucher told a briefing. A U.S. consular official has been traveling from Baghdad to Kuwait to help departing Americans, who must get to the airport themselves for the charter flights, he said.

The U.S. Embassy in Kuwait, surrounded by troops and cut off from water and electricity, is operating under ''extremely trying conditions, '' Boucher said. He declined to provide details.

He said Iraq made the distinction between American-born and Arab-born adult males, indicating it was a unilateral decision rather than the result of negotiations between Iraqi and U.S. officials. Iraq previously has permitted other Arab nationals to depart Iraq and Kuwait.

''It's a decision that we will, of course, take advantage of and try to move as many people out as we can,'' Boucher said. He said the United States continues to press for freedom for the ''large number'' of Americans and other foreign nationals ''who are being held by the Iraqis, who are not being permitted to leave.

Britain and Canada also have chartered evacuation flights.

In addition, an American held by Iraq was released Monday into the custody of the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, Boucher said. The man was not identified.

Further, the Iraqi Foreign Ministry agreed to hand over to the embassy the body of James Worthington, an American who died of a heart attack last week, Boucher said. The body may return to the United States on one of this week's charter flights, he said.

No consular access has been granted to an American shot and wounded by an Iraqi soldier in Kuwait last week and his whereabouts are unknown, Boucher said.

The Voice of America began broadcasting the new appeal Monday for Arab-born U.S. male citizens to break cover and join women and children waiting for flights out of Kuwait, Boucher said.

''U.S. citizen males born in Iraq, Kuwait or any other Arab country should contact the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait immediately as it is our understanding that they may be eligible for departure,'' the announcement said.

''U.S. citizen males born in the United States remain subject to detention and arrest and Iraq will not - repeat, will not - permit them to depart the country,'' it said. ''Indeed, the Iraqi authorities are continuing to pick up and detain U.S.-born American citizens.''

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $15 to $28 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - unchanged to 0.75 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - unchanged to 1.00 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.04 cent to 0.41 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.70 to $2.80 an ounce higher for a 100-troy- ounce contract.

Platinum - $4.60 to $4.70 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.20 cent to 2.05 cents a pound higher for a 15,000- pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 2 to 2.2 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.006 to 0.013 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in light trading.

Bonds - Mostly lower.

American Stocks - Lower in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed slightly lower in sluggish trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Slightly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1/4 to 2, soybeans up 5 to 7 1/4, wheat off 1/2 to up 1 1/2 and oats up 3 to 4 1/4.

Cattle Trade - 50 to 75 cents higher with instances of being $1 higher; top $76.75.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.99

60 to 89 days 7.88

90 to 119 days 7.78

120 to 149 days 7.78

150 to 179 days 7.74

180 to 270 days 7.66

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.00 - 7.70

Issuers 30 days 7.98

Issuers 90 days 7.67

Issuers 270 days 7.42

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.05

60 to 89 days 8.03

90 to 119 days 8.02

120 to 149 days 8.02

150 to 179 days 8.02

180 days 8.02

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

1 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

3 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

6 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

Year 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.42 - 7.40

6 months 7.37 - 7.35

Year 7.28 - 7.26

Federal Funds: High 8 1-16, Low 7 15-16, Close 7 15-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.872 up 0.028.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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AUSTIN, TX (SEPT. 11) UPI - The Texas prison board Tuesday ordered an official review of the use of convicts to train tracking dogs, the same day Vice Chairman Charles Hodge - who was at the center of a controversial ''inmate hunt'' - became acting chair of the panel.

Texas Board of Criminal Justice Chairman Charles Terrell, who announced his intention to leave at the August board meeting, officially presented Gov. Bill Clements his resignation letter Tuesday, effective immediately.

Since Clements has not yet announced his replacement, Hodge said attorneys have advised him that he is now acting chairman.

Hodge declined to comment on whether he anticipates or wants to be appointed Terrell's permanent replacement.

Hodge also declined any further comment on the dog hunts.

''I'm not going to comment about anything on the dog hunts. I've talked about that all I am,'' he said. ''So that's a dead issue as far as I'm concerned.''

Hodge was initially believed to be designated to replace Terrell, but shortly before Clements was expected to announce his appointment, became the focus of the controversy over the use of inmates on dog training ''hunts.''

Hodge in April 1989 invited two bear hunting buddies to participate in a horseback hunt of prisoners using the tracking dogs at the Ellis II Unit in Huntsville. Following the exercise, he presented his friends with jackets that read, ''The Ultimate Hunt.''

The reports prompted the Texas Civil Liberties to call for Hodge's immediate resignation. Critics called the practice dangerous and demeaning.

The governor declined the TCLU request to seek Hodge's resignation, saying the practice was legitimate. However, he said Hodge showed ''poor judgment'' in inviting friends to review the procedure and in ordering the jackets.

The ensuing public outcry, however, prompted Terrell to apppoint a subcommittee of the board to study the dog training program to see if there was any danger to inmates.

On Sept. 4, that three-member panel recommended a full review of policies regarding dog training. It also recommended suspension of inmate-dog ''engagement'' at the conclusion of tracking exercises until headgear could be purchased to supplement other protective clothing issued to convicts.

Prison officials immediately complied with the recommended suspension, which was formally adopted with the other recommendations Tuesday.

At the meeting, prison officials showed board members helmets they have ordered. The helmets, which are used in the sport lacrosse, are similar to baseball batting helmets with a faceguard.

Andy Collins, director of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's institutional division, said prison officials expect to have the helmets for prisoners ''any day now.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1095.9
Monday	1096.7
Week ago	1098.9
Month ago	1119.6
Year ago	1085.7
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 11) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.67 1/4-2.69 off 1/2 to up 1/2.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.25 1/4-6.25 3/4 up 6 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.41-2.41 1/2 up 1 3/4-2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.41-2.49 1/2 up 1 3/4.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - The elderly could pay more for Medicare coverage now that Democrats at the bipartisan budget talks have nearly doubled the amount by which they have offered to cut spending on federal benefit programs.

No specifics were available Tuesday on the possible size of possible cuts in Medicare spending next year - or whether beneficiaries, doctors or hospitals would take the biggest hit.

But larger cuts in benefit program spending could mean higher costs to senior citizens through higher monthly premiums for Medicare coverage and a larger annual deductible - the costs beneficiaries pay before Medicare

kicks in.

Federal payments to doctors or hospitals also are expected to be cut by budget negotiators.

Democrats late Monday night offered to increase from $7.2 billion to $13.9 billion the amount they were willing to cut spending next year on benefit programs such as Medicare, according to an aide to a Democratic negotiator.

Republicans had pushed for even larger cuts in benefit programs, so Democratic negotiators moved closer to the GOP position.

The Democratic aide said Tuesday that while Democrats had nearly doubled their proposed cuts in benefit programs, they had not adopted specific policies to back up the higher number.

''We moved substantially in their direction,'' the Democratic aide said of the Republicans. ''They have moved very little.''

Republicans remained ''absolutely rigid and inflexible'' after Democrats made their new offer, moving toward GOP positions on domestic spending, taxes and defense, the Democratic aide said. Even so, talks were very heated at times.

The aide said Republican negotiators ''were threatening to walk out'' of the talks late Monday night, even after the Democrats offered their new proposal. One Democratic negotiator called the GOP response to the new Democratic proposal ''arrogant,'' the aide said.

Negotiators met again Tuesday at Andrews Air Force Base, about 15 miles east of Washington, a day after their unofficial deadline passed for reaching agreement on a plan to cut the deficit by $50 billion in fiscal year 1991, which begins Oct. 1, and by $500 billion over five years.

No agreement was expected Tuesday and negotiators recessed the talks in midafternoon and returned to Capitol Hill for votes and to listen to President Bush's speech to a joint session of Congress Tuesday night.

Negotiators were expected to return to the bargaining table - a converted bar at the officers club at Andrews - on Wednesday.

Among the choices faced by budget negotiators on Medicare is whether to raise monthly premiums for coverage and whether to raise the deductible - the annual cost paid by beneficiaires before Medicare starts paying.

The administration had initially proposed raising the Medicare Part B annual deductible from $75 to $100, which would raise $360 million next year and $5.3 billion over five years.

The monthly Medicare premium of $28.60 a month may also be raised but it was not clear whether the Medicare co-payment - the 20 percent of doctor and hospital costs paid by beneficiaries - will go up as well.

The biggest possible savings in Medicare payments to hospitals are found in three areas, a Democratic aide said.

One is the market basket, which is how much a bunch of goods or services that cost $1,000 this year will cost next year. The government could raise payments to hospitals by less than the increase in the cost of the market basket.

Bush had originally proposed savings in this area of $600 million next year and about $4 billion over five years.

The second big hospital savings area is capital - payments for big medical equipment purchases and renovation costs. The administration proposed savings of $1.5 billion in this area next year and $10.4 billion over five years.

The third area is in payments for medical education and to medical teaching hospitals. Bush has proposed cutting those payments by $1 billion next year and by $7.2 billion over five years.

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#90254u1603 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

ANKARA, TURKEY (SEPT. 11) UPI - Defense Minister Safa Giray said Tuesday Turkey was aware of an Iraqi troop buildup near its southeastern border and was ''ready to counter any attack.''

Giray said Turkey has not moved more of its own troops to the southeastern region close to the Iraqi border at this stage, but noted ''the (Turkish) 2nd Army is located there.''

Giray told United Press International Ankara was aware Iraq has built up its military strength close to the southeastern border over the past month but he did not go into details.

''We are ready to counter any attack,'' he said.

Earlier reports said Iraq had moved some 30,000 troops from the Iraq- Iran border to areas closer to Turkey, which shares a 200-mile border with Iraq. There was no immediate confirmation of the reports from Turkish sources.

Turkey is the only member state of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization

to share a common border with Iraq, and NATO officials said last month that an attack on Turkey would be considered an attack on the Atlantic Alliance.

Giray said two frigates from the Turkish navy were standing by at the Golcuk naval base near Istanbul, but had not yet received orders to sail to the Gulf to join a multinational force in the region. They would sail if the government ordered them to do so, he said.

Last week, the Turkish Parliament, acting on the recommendations of President Turgut Ozal, voted to give more war powers to the government of Prime Minister Yildirim Akbulut,

Under the new legislation, the government was empowered to send troops into combat abroad and to allow foreign allied forces to be stationed on Turkish soil. The government has not yet sent troops to join the multinational force in Saudi Arabia.

Sources close to the chief of the general staff said although the armed forces would carry out any orders from the civilian government, the military believed Turkey should stay out of an armed conflict with Iraq.

Opposition groups, led by the Social Democratic Populist Party, have strongly criticized the move to give more powers to the government to wage war.

The Social Democrats said only Parliament had the right, under the constitution, to declare war. The party Tuesday challenged the latest legislation in the Constitutional Court. Akbulut said his government had no intention of taking the country into war.

Ankara was one of the first capitals to announce it would comply with U.N. Security Council sanctions against Iraq for invading Kuwait and cut a twin Iraqi pipeline carrying oil to a Mediterranean terminal.

The decision to comply with U.N. sanctions is estimated to have cost Turkey some $2.3 billion in lost trade and revenue from the pipeline, but the Kuwaiti government-in-exile has pledged to help Ankara make good the loss.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 11) UPI - Eleven prostitutes filed an appeal Tuesday with the California Supreme Court contending a 1989 state law mandating AIDS testing of convicted prostitutes or their customers is an invasion of privacy.

The appeal is the first legal challenge to the 1989 law to make it before the high court justices.

A state court of appeal late Monday refused a request by San Francisco public defender Grace Suarez, who represents the 11 prostitutes, to overturn the AIDS testing requirement.

The order refusing to hear the appeal by Suarez also dissolved the stay that had prevented the testing until the issue was resolved.

Suarez said Tuesday, ''I fully expect they (San Francisco) will go ahead with the testing now.''

Only the California Supreme Court could step in at this point to halt the blood tests while the issue is thrashed out.

The prostitutes, nine women and two men, were ordered to undergo the blood tests after convictions for prostitution.

Suarez contended the law amounted to an unconstitutional invasion of privacy.

Superior Court Judge Lucy Kelly McCabe ruled Sept. 5 that she did not believe the law ran afoul of the constitution.

McCabe said it was a matter of ''the right to privacy versus safeguarding the public and I don't see anything that says this law is inappropriate.''

The appeal court left that order intact, prompting the appeal to the state Supreme Court.

Although the law mandates that blood tests should be performed on the people who hire the prostitutes, none of the 11 involved in the pending appeal involves customers.

The Supreme Court could act at any time on the request for a hearing on the appeal.

The law also requires convicted prostitutes and their customers to undergo five hours of AIDS education. Suarez said that part of the law was not being challenged.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	55	3-4	up 1-8
AT&T Company	31	1-8	up 3-4
BCE Inc	30	7-8	up 1-8
Bell Atlantic	42	5-8	up 1-4
BellSouth Corp	49	5-8	unch
Exxon Corp	50	7-8	up 1-2
Ford Motor Co	35	1-8	up 1-4
Genl Electric	62	1-8	up 1
General Motors	37	7-8	up 1-8
GTE Corp	25	3-8	off 1-4
IBM Corp	107	1-2	up 1 5-8
Mobil Oil Corp	65	1-8	off 1-4
Nynex Corp	69		unch
Pac Gas & Elec	x20	5-8	off 1-8
Pacific Telesis	40	1-4	up 1
Phila Electric	15	1-4	unch
Sears Roebuck	28	1-2	off 1-8
Sthwestern Bell	47	1-2	off 1-2
US West Inc	34	1-2	off 1-8

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Tuesday	2612.62	off	2.97	909.39	up	1.29	200.26	off	0.19
Monday	2615.59	off	3.96	908.10	off	0.18	200.45	off	0.44
Week ago	2613.37	off	0.99	896.08	off	5.36	196.05	up	0.12
Month ago	2747.77	up	0.99	967.70	off	11.13	204.48	up	0.51
Year ago	2704.26	up	2.85	1477.06	up	7.47	215.92	up	0.31
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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MIAMI (SEPT. 11) UPI - The court-appointed trustee for Eastern Airlines ended the carrier's 100-day service-improvement campaign Tuesday by declaring victory and unveiled a new strategy to win back lucrative business travelers.

''We didn't promise a quick turnaround,'' Martin Shugrue told employees gathered in an airline hangar for a question-and-answer session with their boss. ''We promised we'd get better, and better we got.''

Shugrue fielded questions while standing in front of a gleaming jet - one of 45 planes with expanded first-class cabins designed to lure business fliers back to the beleaguered carrier.

Eastern said it plans to remodel its entire fleet of 157 jets by October at a cost of $8 million. ''This is not a short-term promotion. This is a fundamental change,'' Shugrue said.

Also Tuesday, Eastern said it will introduce a ''corporate rate'' on Oct. 1 for first-class seats at prices below comparable coach fares on other airlines.

Although Eastern continues to lose money, Shugrue told employees the airline improved its on-time performance, baggage handling and meal service since the 100-day campaign began in June.

''We have a big, deep hole to climb out of. We're not there yet,'' Shugrue told the 1,500 or so assembled employees. ''We still have a long way to go.''

Film crews positioned behind the crowd captured footage for future television commercials featuring Shugrue. Those commercials could begin airing by the end of the month, a spokeswoman said.

Although Shugrue declined to say later how much money Eastern is losing, he said the airline's financial performance improved in August, despite higher fuel costs triggered by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Higher fuel costs have added $5 million to $10 million a month to Eastern's costs, he said.

Shugrue also said Eastern will need to tap into the money set aside from its asset sales before the end of this year, but he declined to predict when this would happen.

The airline has withdrawn $500 million from the account to date, including $50 million withdrawn in August. About $1 billion remains.

Eastern filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in March 1989, five days after its three unions staged a crippling walkout.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Burton Lifland appointed Shugrue to run Eastern earlier this year, after taking control away from Eastern's parent, Continental Air Holdings, formerly known as Texas Air Corp.

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#90254u1651 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST (SEPT. 11) UPI - President Samuel Doe of Liberia, who apparently was killed by rebels in the capital Monrovia Sunday, was about to surrender when he died, diplomatic sources in Monrovia said Tuesday.

After more than eight months of civil war, Doe had left his beachside mansion for the first time since July order to turn himself over to the five-nation peacekeeping force that has occupied much of the city, they said.

Instead, he was wounded in a gun battle and died a hostage of Prince Johnson, one of the two rebel leaders fighting to overthrow the government according to witnesses and the U.S. State Department. His body has not, however, been recovered.

Doe's death leaves the leadership of war-torn West African country in disarray. Four different men have claimed to succeed the president of 10 years - rival rebel leaders Johnson and Charles Taylor, Brig. Gen. David Nimlay, who was Doe's own choice as his successor, and a president-in-exile in Gambia.

''The situation as to who is in charge is very confused,'' said State Department spokesman Richard Boucher in Washington.

U.S. officials said Washington is not ready to recognize any government leader in Liberia and cannot predict whether Doe's ouster of President Samuel Doe will mean a peaceful resolution or more violence.

State Department and White House officials also said they still had not been able to confirm Doe was killed by forces under rebel leader Prince Johnson, although Boucher said ''we accept'' such reports as true.

''We have no way of knowing'' whether the violence in Liberia will end soon, "White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said at his daily briefing. ''It seems unlikely when you still have two rebel forces that are armed and fighting each ''ach

Diplomatic sources said they expected Taylor, who leads the largest force of dissidents, use the confusion to his advantage and win control of the city.

''The next 24 hours are absolutely crucial. Now that Doe is gone and his army is disintegrating, there is nothing to stop Charles Taylor's forces wreaking revenge on all the government forces they can find,'' one diplomat said.

Until now Taylor's forces have been prevented from entering the city by government troops under Doe's control who have held him back on the eastern side of the city.

His troops are stronger than Johnson's and control two-thirds of the country. Johnson, however, has the strategically important city center and the port areas.

When Doe left the mansion to surrender, he put the country under the control of the armed forces chief, Nimlay, diplomats said. Nimlay established the National Interim Defense Council to run the few remaining square miles of government-held territory, and said in an interview with the British Broadcasting Corp. Monday that his first task was to seek a cease-fire.

But a cease-fire now seems extremely unlikely.

''The streets of Monrovia are stangely empty and everybody is in hiding,'' a diplomat said.

A truce between Johnson and Doe agreed Aug. 23 is now seen as a having been a sham that is not likely to be repeated. ''Prince Johnson was playing for time and clearly had no intention of keeping to the cease-fire if he managed to get his hands on Doe,'' a source said.

The two men have fought to topple Doe for eight months. The civil war in the country the size of Oregon state has claimed thousands of lives and driven more than 500,000 Liberians from their country, according to the U.N. Council for Refugees.

Wearied by a battle he clearly was losing, Doe had gone with his bodyguard to the headquarters of the peacekeeping force of the Economic Community of West African States to surrender, the sources said.

He arrived at the same time as Johnson, and fighting broke out. Doe was shot in both legs and 64 people were killed, witnesses said.

They alternately said Doe died from his gunshot wounds, and that he suffered fresh injuries after being taken to Johnson's headquarters where he died Sunday night.

Members of the peacekeeping force did little or nothing to prevent the gun battle breaking out or to prevent Doe from being taken prisoner, said diplomats who had spoken to witnesses.

In Harare, President Dawda Jawara of Gambia, head of the West African alliance that raised the peacekeeping force for Liberia, said troops have

been ordered to protect Doe's family and supporters.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	176.39	off	0.31
ASE Market Value Index	323.01	off	0.20
Dow-Jones Industrial	2612.62	off	2.97

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#90254u1670 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks	-	113,220,000 shares
1990 to date	-	27,746,493,372
Warrants	-	461,700
1990 to date	-	175,621,300

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#90254u1674 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Tuesday	-	$27,330,000
1990 to date	-	$7,845,689,000

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#90254u1680 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 323.32, low 322.60, close 323.01, off 0.20.

There was a loss of 1 cent in the average share price.

Volume 9,120,000 shares, compared with 10,600,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	4
New Lows	34
Advances	225
Declines	265
Unchanged	265
Total Issues	755

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#90254u1681 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

OTTAWA (SEPT. 11) UPI - The union president representing some 4,000 Boeing de Havilland workers urged the Canadian government Tuesday to get ''involved'' in the proposed sale of the division to a European consortium.

Boeing Co. of Seattle announced in July that it was holding discussions with France's Aerospatiale and Italy's Aeritalia, who jointly own Avion de Transport Regional, concerning the future of its Canadian division.

Bob White, president of the Canadian Auto Workers union, met with Canada's industry, science and technology minister Benoit Bouchard to tell him that Canada cannot afford to abandon de Havilland to foreign control.

''This is one of the few industries where Canadians are on the cutting edge of new technology,'' said White.

It makes no sense for the government to ''abandon'' de Havilland after all the public money it has invested in the aircraft manufacturer's development, White added.

The Canadian government bought de Havilland from Britain's Hawker Siddeley Aviation in 1974. In the next 11 years, Canadian taxpayers spent hundreds of millions of dollars on developing de Havilland's short takeoff and landing airline technology.

Since the sale of de Havilland to Boeing in Jan., 1986, the division has continued to receive monies from a government program to assist Canadian companies in the defense and aerospace industries.

White said there are rumors that thousands of jobs will be lost at de Havilland's suburban Toronto location if the sale goes ahead and that contractors across the country could also be affected.

De Havilland manufactures the Dash 8 36-seat Series 100 and 50-seat Series 300 regional airliners.

Analysts have speculated that a purchase by ATR could lead to an end of the Dash 8, resulting in downsizing at de Havilland.

ATR currently manufactures the 28- to 52-seat Air 42s and the 58- to 70-seat Air 72s commuter airliners.

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#90254u1697 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	380.57	230.66	128.93	23.92	321.63
Opening	379.57	230.20	128.76	23.82	320.80
11 a.m.	379.43	230.45	128.77	23.83	320.73
Noon	378.86	229.76	128.56	23.73	320.17
1 p.m.	378.83	229.35	128.52	23.68	320.08
2 p.m.	379.64	230.17	128.67	23.69	320.71
3 p.m.	380.28	230.28	128.86	23.70	321.20
Close	380.23	230.31	128.65	23.64	321.04
Change	off 0.34	off 0.35	off 0.28	off 0.28	off 0.59

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#90254u1700 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	381.25	378.21	380.23	off 0.34
20 Trans	231.74	229.10	230.31	off 0.35
40 Utils	129.24	128.30	128.65	off 0.28
40 Fncl	23.96	23.64	23.64	off 0.28
500 Stocks	322.18	319.60	321.04	off 0.59

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#90254u1719 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 11) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Tuesday - 6,776,000

1990 to date - 1,771,750,000

The market closed lower.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - (Dow Jones has revised the closes)

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2612.62	off 2.97
20 Trans	909.58	up 1.48
15 Utils	200.26	off 0.19
65 Stocks	908.95	off 0.34

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#90254u1730 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 4 to 41 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	72.16	72.65	72.00	72.17	72.58
Dec	71.70	72.30	71.55	71.84	72.06
Mar	73.00	73.55	72.85	73.20	73.35
May	73.70	74.10	73.70	73.94	74.05
Jly	74.10	74.10	74.10	74.13	74.17
Oct	....	....	....	69.65	70.00
Dec	68.20	68.40	68.00	68.05	68.27

Estimated sales: 3,500 contracts
Open interest: 34,849 up 40
The World spot average: unavailable

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#90254u1732 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	$55,803,696	55 1/2	off 1/4
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	51,625,596	34	off 1 3/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	46,582,492	71	up 3 1/2
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	44,210,036	47 1/4	off 1 3/8
Conner Prphrls	(CNNR)	42,715,864	22 1/2	off 1
Intel Corp	(INTC)	36,935,432	32	off 1/2
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	28,047,898	34 1/8	unch
Ingres Corp	(RELY)	25,381,324	9	up 3 1/4
Amgen	(AMGN)	24,021,088	46 1/8	up 1/8
Lotus Devlpmnt	(LOTS)	19,850,072	16 1/2	off 1 1/2

Composite Index 166.21 off 1.03

NMS volume 77,189,904 shares.

Advances	608
Declines	816
Unchanged	1,393
Total	2,817

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#90254u1738 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.51	off 0.03
10 Public Utils	90.59	up 0.01
10 Industrials	88.44	off 0.06

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#90254u1740 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA (SEPT. 11) UPI - A Boeing 727 with 18 people aboard ditched in the northern Atlantic Ocean Tuesday about 180 miles south of Newfoundland, officials of Canada's Transportation Safety Board said.

''It's in the water right now,'' said a board spokesman in Ottawa. There were no immediate reports of casualties.

David Owen, the Board's Atlantic regional manager, said the Peruvian airplane left Keflavik, Iceland earlier Tuesday bound for Gander airport and was reportedly on its way to Miami. The last contact with the plane was believed to be at 2:20 p.m. EDT, he said.

Owen said Canadian search and rescue authorities on Canada's east coast have mounted a search for the jetliner.

The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation reported the plane ran low on fuel after it wandered far off its intended course. The plane was to refuel in Gander, Newfoundland before heading to Miami.

Lloyd Brown, regional marine superintendent of the Canadian Coast Guard, said in a telephone interview from Halifax, Nova Scotia that the plane's pilot last radioed authorities at 2:20 p.m. EDT.

''A mayday was issued. The aircraft was low on fuel,'' said Brown, who was unable to confirm whether the plane wandered off course.

He said the airline was owned by Fawcett Airlines of Peru, a registered company that was established in 1928.

''The pilot said he was ditching,'' said Brown. The plane, with 18 people on board, went down 180 miles southeast of Cape Race, Newfoundland, he said.

Brown said search and rescue officials have mounted a massive hunt for the plane with two Aurora aircraft from Greenwood, Nova Scotia, two Labrador helicopters from Gander, Newfoundland and a Buffalo aircraft dispatched from Summerside, Prince Edward Island.

Other aircraft are on standby, according to Brown, while Coastguard and commercial ships have also responded to the mayday.

There was good visibility in the area of the crash, Brown said, and winds were from the southeast at 10 to 15 miles per hour.

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#90254u1743 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2616.83	2635.64	2586.88	2612.62	off 2.97
20 Trans	908.84	917.53	897.37	909.58	up 1.48
15 Utils	200.08	201.77	198.76	200.26	off 0.19
65 Stock	909.44	916.75	899.50	908.95	off 0.34

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Tuesday	Monday
Indus	12,718,400	15,832,500
Trans	2,422,200	2,737,200
Utils	2,157,700	5,326,500
65 Stock	17,298,300	23,896,200

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.51	off 0.03
10 Public Utils	90.59	up 0.01
10 Industrials	88.44	off 0.06

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 133.39 up 0.40.

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#90254u1744 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (SEPT. 11) UPI - Negotiations to end a day-old strike by union paperworkers at seven Abitibi-Price Inc. newsprint mills in eastern Canada broke off Tuesday, the company said.

Spokeswoman Sharon Paul said Canadian Paperworkers Union representatives will be taking the company's latest offer to the membership.

Paul declined to say whether the break off in talks was positive or negative, saying, ''We have presented what we believe is a very fair offer.''

On Monday, union members at mills in Ontario, Quebec and Newfoundland set up pickets, shutting down seven of the company's nine mills in eastern Canada. The strike affected about 4,700 workers, Paul said, 4, 500 of whom

belong to the CPU.

The union's chief negotiator, John McInnes, confirmed in a statement that negotiations broke down and that ''bargaining committees will be reporting to their membership throughout the week.''

Mills in Iroquois Falls and Thunder Bay, Ontario; Chandler, Quebec, and Grand Falls and Stephenville, Newfoundland were closed Monday. The mills collectively produce 1.18 million ton of newsprint a year, or roughly 62 percent of Abitibi-Price's total output, Paul said.

Paul said the company's offer ''reflects the pattern settlement, reached at Stone-Consolidated Inc. of Montreal in July, plus significant improvements in the areas of vacation pay and day work schedules.''

The CPU's 2,350 workers at Stone-Consolidated voted 56 percent in favor of a contract that will see raise wages by 5.5 percent each year of a three-year deal. Under the deal, base salaries will increase from $13.06 an hour to $15.34 an hour over the course of the contract.

On Monday, a union spokesman said the company had accepted the union's wage package and that talks were focused on two issues: tasks assigned to tradesman and running time on statutory holidays.

Operations at four Abitibi-Price mills in Manitoba, Quebec, Georgia and Alabama have not been affected by the strike, Paul said.

Contracts between the CPU and Abitibi-Price expired on April 30.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Tue	Mon	Tue	Mon
Argntn austral	.000174	.000177	5733.00	5635.00
Australia dlr	.8170	.8165	1.2240	1.2247
Austria schill	.0894	.0899	11.18	11.12
Belgium franc-c	.0306	.0308	32.65	32.45
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0152	.0152	65.81	65.81
Britain pound	1.8465	1.8510	.5416	.5402
Britain 1-mo	1.8356	1.8404	.5448	.5434

Britain 3-mo	1.8259	1.8202	.5477	.5494
Britain 6-mo	1.7897	1.7927	.5588	.5578
Canada dollar	.8591	.8602	1.1640	1.1625
Canada 1-mo	.8559	.8570	1.1683	1.1669
Canada 3-mo	.8527	.8538	1.1727	1.1712
Canada 6-mo	.8430	.8443	1.1862	1.1844
Chile peso-f	.003303	.003300	302.75	303.00
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001931	.001933	517.83	517.41
Denmark krne	.1648	.1657	6.0675	6.0355
Ecudr sucre-z	.001154	.001148	866.25	871.20
Egypt pound	.3707	.3714	2.6973	2.6924
Finlnd mrkka	.2675	.2693	3.7390	3.7130
France franc	.1876	.1886	5.3295	5.3025
France 1-mo	.1873	.1883	5.3380	5.3110
France 3-mo	.1866	.1876	5.3577	5.3312
France 6-mo	.1853	.1865	5.3958	5.3630
Greece drach	.006447	.006484	155.12	154.23
Hollnd guildr	.5580	.5605	1.7920	1.7841
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1287	7.7685	7.7675
India rupee	.0566	.0567	17.68	17.65
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000541	1854.00	1847.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.6860	1.6945	0.5931	0.5901
Israel shekel	.5023	.5023	1.9910	1.9910
Italy lira	.000843	.000847	1186.00	1181.00
Japan yen	.007151	.007181	139.85	139.25
Japan 1-mo	.007152	.007181	139.82	139.25
Japan 3-mo	.007154	.007207	139.79	138.75
Japan 6-mo	.007168	.007244	139.50	138.05
Jordan dinar	1.5375	1.5375	.6504	.6504
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000347	2878.00	2881.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6185	.8175	1.6168	1.6194
Norway krne	.1631	.1640	6.1325	6.0970
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000003	.000003	403,850	398.925
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escud	.007171	.007214	139.46	138.61
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5659	.5661	1.7672	1.7665
S.Africa rand	.3891	.3899	2.5703	2.5645
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010025	.010086	99.75	99.15
Sweden krona	.1718	.1727	5.8200	5.7920
Switzrl franc	.7544	.7590	1.3255	1.3175

Switzrl 1-mo	.7545	.7591	1.3254	1.3174
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7543	.7587	1.3258	1.3180
Switzrl 6-mo	.7520	.7571	1.3298	1.3209
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.91	26.91
Turkey lira	.000373	.000374	2683.00	2673.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0208	.0208	48.02	48.02
W.Ger Mark	.6283	.6321	1.5915	1.5820
W.Ger 1-mo	.6283	.6320	1.5917	1.5822
W.Ger 3-mo	.6281	.6317	1.5922	1.5831
W.Ger 6-mo	.6264	.6301	1.5963	1.5871
Yugosl dinar	.0924	.0924	10.82	10.82

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	245.80	247.00	245.30	246.10	245.95
Dec	248.60	249.20	247.90	248.50	248.35
Mar	251.35	252.00	251.00	251.75	251.60

Previous day volume: 244 contracts.
Open interest: 1,343 up 18

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	321.90	322.85	319.80	321.75	321.45
Dec	325.60	326.50	323.50	325.40	325.10
Mar	328.00	329.10	326.50	328.40	328.00
Jun	....	333.00	331.00	332.20	332.10

Today's estimated volume: 61,884 contracts.
Open interest: 156,853 up 4,085

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	176.55	177.30	175.70	176.75	176.25
Dec	178.75	179.20	177.65	178.65	178.35
Mar	180.25	180.50	179.25	180.25	179.85

Open interest: 6,510 up 379
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	532.50	535.20	530.00	534.45	531.50
Oct	536.00	537.10	532.75	536.75	533.80

Estimated volume 3,226 contracts.
Open interest: 7,786 up 245

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#90254u1755 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

GUATEMALA CITY (SEPT. 11) UPI - Inflation has reached an all-time high in Guatemala, and the problem is expected to worsen in September, a National Statistics Institute official said Tuesday.

Neftali Hernandez, the institute's manager, said the cost of living rose 50 percent between January and August this year. This rate is ''without precedent in our history,'' she said.

Hernandez estimated that there will be this month ''a significant increase in prices, considering the rise in the price of oil.'' Gasoline prices went up 40 cents a gallon last week.

Inflation for 1989 was reported as 20.17 percent by the statistics institute -nearly 30 percent less than price increases for the first eight months of 1990.

Prices of food staples have risen substantially in 1990, with eggs and rice increasing by nearly 200 percent and beans by 300 percent.

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#90254u1760 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (SEPT. 11) UPI - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said Tuesday that Iraq may attack Israel if war breaks out in the Persian Gulf with the aim of showing the Arab world that it is the only country capable of defeating Israel.

In comments to visiting former Norwegian Prime Minister Kare Kristiansen, Shamir said Israel must be prepared for any possibility and was prepared. He told the visiting Norwegian dignitary that an attack probably would come either through Jordan, which has common borders with both Israel and Iraq, or through bombing runs by air, Shamir aides said.

''This is not up to us, but it is possible Iraq will try to attack us in order to demonstrate to the Arab world that they are the only state that has the capability to defeat Israel,'' Shamir told Kristiansen.

Shamir also said that when the gulf crisis ends, it may be easier for Israel to find Palestinians willing to negotiate a settlement to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

''I'm optimistic that with the end of the crisis it will be easier to find partners with Palestinians,'' he said. ''And the Americans will not pressure us for inclusion of the PLO'' in negotiations.

Shamir told Kristiansen he believed Palestinians understood that violence would not achieve anything, ''but every night there are deaths not by our army, but by the Arabs.''

In a related development, Defense Minister Moshe Arens said Tuesday he expected significantly more aid from the United States to Israel in light of the gulf crisis. The issue of aid will be discussed during his visit to the United States next week, he said.

Arens, speaking to the Knesset Security and Foreign Affairs Committee, said Israeli arms superiority did not exist at the moment because the United States was selling the same arms both to Israel and the Arab states. But he said there was an understanding in Washington of Israeli defense needs.

''We have been in contact with the United States about our defense needs, and we do feel there will be significantly more aid to Israel from the United States,'' Arens said. ''I hope that this (understanding) will be reflected in additional aid.''

The defense minister said Israel's financial situation does not allow it to produce all the arms it has developed and he hopes to get the United States to sponsor additional projects like the ''Arrow'' anti- ballistic missile program.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	379.49	off	2.24	381.67	471.86
Industrial	404.79	off	2.76	408.13	457.77
Finance	380.24	off	2.20	382.74	560.93
Insurance	444.76	off	0.57	445.68	536.39
Utility	511.19	off	2.39	511.04	747.16
Bank	282.19	off	2.79	286.77	489.28
Transport	416.96	off	0.07	409.51	463.63
Composite	1990 High 469.60				

1990 Low 360.22
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 166.21 off 1.03
Industrial Index 159.89 off 1.16
NASDAQ-100 Index 381.93 off 3.37

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	323.01	off	0.20
High Technology	322.56	off	3.17
Capital Goods	349.24	unchanged	
Consumer Goods	390.09	up	0.86
Service	722.61	up	1.52
Retail	1017.14	off	19.89
Financial	375.54	off	0.46
Natural Resources	246.37	up	0.59
Housing-Const-Land	336.59	up	2.82

There was a loss of 1 cent in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	411.26	up	2.07
Mid Atlantic	417.08	up	0.69
No Central	442.12	off	4.03
So Atlantic	930.94	up	1.28
So Central	314.36	off	0.64
Mountain	113.61	off	0.70
Pacific	378.24	off	1.27
Foreign	241.82	off	0.11

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Salomon wt Jan	462,000	16 3/4	up	3/8
Morgan Foods	367,500	1 1/8	up	1/8
Carnival Crs	331,000	16 3/8	off	7/8
Denmark K wt	325,900	17 3/4	up	3/4
ENSCO	310,000	3 5/8	off	1/8
Corona Cp A	306,400	5 3/8	unch	
Tubos De Ac	253,100	5 5/8	up	1/8
Amdahl Corp	217,500	12 1/2	off	1/4

Paine W Gr wtB	214,700	7 7/8	up	1/4
Echo Bay Mines	209,300	12 5/8	up	3/8

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.03	8.13	8.93
91-day Treasury bills	7.64	7.66	7.62
182-day Treasury bills	7.73	7.77	7.60
1-year Treasury bills	7.77	7.78	7.63
3-year Treasury notes	8.20	8.23	8.12
7-year Treasury notes	8.69	8.73	8.14
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.93	8.97	8.09
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.30	9.50	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.95	9.97	9.09
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.18	9.21	9.12
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.46	9.50	9.09
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.49	9.50	9.29
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.47	9.49	9.28

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	100,066,700
Advances	754
Declines	989
Unchanged	2,516
Total	4,259

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#90254u1799 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	381.74	378.11	279.49	off 2.24
Industrial	407.53	403.18	404.79	off 2.76
Finance	382.70	379.42	380.24	off 2.20
Insurance	445.49	441.72	444.76	off 0.57
Utility	511.93	505.51	511.19	off 2.39
Bank	284.86	281.58	282.19	off 2.79
Transport	419.39	415.77	416.96	off 0.07

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-23) 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	166.21 off 1.03
Industrial Index	159.89 off 1.16
NASDAQ-100 Index	381.93 off 3.37
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.68 off 0.03
Volume	77,189,904 shares
Advances	608
Declines	816
Unchanged	1,393
Total	2,817

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#90254u1814 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - A man and woman climbed atop the Times Square recruiting office for the U.S. armed forces, setting fire to an American flag after dousing the building with a flammable liquid, authorities said.

The pair, who claimed to be members of a group called, ''Refuse and Resist '' was nabbed and the blaze extinguished before flames could engulf the recruiting center at Times Square, said Sgt. Fernando McLean, the officer in charge.

''They're fanatics. They should be sent to Iraq,'' McLean said.

An office worker spotted the couple, who both wore bandanas around their heads, about 8:40 a.m. near the flagpole on the roof of the one- story building, the sergeant said.

''They were dousing the building with some type of a flammable liquid and proceeded to light the flag,'' McLean said

The worker then called police at the nearby stationhouse.

''They wanted to set the whole building on fire, but it wasn't a minute or two before we had the police officers here,'' he said.

The protesters were identified as Joseph Urgo of Paramus, N.J., and Shawn Eichman of Manhattan.

Both were charged with attempted arson, criminal trespass, resisting arrest, burglary and assault, police said.

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#90254u1815 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NORFOLK, VA (SEPT. 11) UPI - F-14 Tomcats and other aircraft from the carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower made a roaring return to Virginia Tuesday after Middle East duty in support of Operation Desert Shield.

Three squadrons flew into Oceana Naval Air Station at Virginia Beach and another returned to the Norfolk Naval Air Station. About three dozen aircraft were greeted at the installations by family and friends.

Aviators said jets were flying night and day after Iraq invaded Kuwait. The Eisenhower battle group's scheduled six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea was altered as part of the U.S. military buildup in the Persian Gulf region.

The Eisenhower and its support ships were some of the first to maneuver in support of Operation Desert Shield.

The Eisenhower and the guided-missile cruiser USS Ticonderoga, carrying a total of more than 5,000 sailors, were to return Wednesday to Norfolk Naval Station.

During deployment the Eisenhower and support ships traveled through the Suez Canal into the Red Sea shortly after the invasion of Kuwait, to bolster a U.S. embargo against Iraq.

They remained in the region until being relieved by ships from the carrier USS Saratoga battle group.

Several other vessels from the 11-ship Eisenhower battle group began returning to East Coast ports late last week. The ships departed on March 8.

More than 30,000 military personnel from southeastern Virginia have been deployed in the midst of the Middle East crisis. Reservists have had to take over a large share of military support activities in the region.

The aircraft from Carrier Air Wing 7 that returned to Hampton Roads

Tuesday included Attack Squadron 34, Fighter Squadron 142, Fighter Squadron 143 and Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron 121. The aircraft included F-14s, A-6s and E-2s.

Aircraft from the carrier air wing also returned to bases in Florida and Washington.

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#90254u1819 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - The dollar again strengthened in New York trading Tuesday as currency investors bought it on the perception that the Federal Reserve will not lower short-term interest rates any time soon.

Currency traders said participants continued to cover short positions - deals to sell the dollar made earlier when it was falling in value - in a general adjustment of positions following the release of last week's U.S. jobless data.

Before these stronger-than-expected figures came out, investors saw a Fed easing of short-term rates as imminent. Lower interest rates would cut the return on dollar holdings, undermining the unit.

But now most analysts don't see the Fed easing - pumping up the money supply - until recessionary signs are a lot stronger or until inflation comes off the boil.

Late in the New York session, the dollar traded at 1.5850 German marks, up from 1.5815 Monday, and 140.25 Japanese yen, up from 139.55.

Last week's unemployment data ''didn't give us any serious cues for the near term,'' said Shearson Lehman Brothers analyst Lisa Finstrom. So the market sees the dollar as firm unless more bad economic news is in hand.

Morris Armstrong, a Girozentrale Vienna vice president, said there was ''very, very good commercial demand for the dollar,'' pointing to importers, big corporations and other non-investment currency players.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3210 Swiss francs, up from 1.3165; 5.3100 French francs, up from 5.2980; and 1,182 Italian lire, up from 1,181.60.

The British pound eased to $1.8565 from $1.8585.

In Europe, the dollar closed stronger as Persian Gulf tensions eased and the currency market concluded U.S. interest rates would hold steady.

''The perception is that peace will be given a chance,'' said George Magnus, an analyst with S.G. Warburg Securities. ''So the market is

unwinding down from an initial flight into Swiss banks and sterling.''

But the dollar can be expected to continue soft despite feelings U.S. interest rates would not come down in the near future, Magnus warned.

In London, the pound kept sliding against the dollar, reflecting the market's annoyance with British hesitation over bringing sterling into the exchange rate mechanism of the European Monetary System.

Britain's pound sterling ended at $1.8505 vs $1.8560.

The dollar rose in Frankfurt, to 1.5925 German marks from Monday's close of 1.5825, and in Zurich, to 1.3305 Swiss francs from 1.3185.

The U.S. unit moved up in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively: 5.3420 French francs vs. 5.2800, 32.74 Belgian francs vs. 32.48, and 1,188.25 Italian lire vs. 1,175.40.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar inched up from the 11-month low it set against the yen the previous day. Cautious dealers bought the dollar on fears it might have been oversold, lifting it to 139.85 yen vs. 139.43.

But Daiwa Bank dealer Tsuyoshi Kojima said investor sentiment toward the U.S. currency remained bearish, given U.S. economic prospects.

Gold closed lower in Zurich, to $380.50 an ounce from $385.35, and in London, to $381 an ounce from $385.25.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $381.50 an ounce, up from $379.25 Monday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $380.50 an ounce, aheady from $378.60.

Silver rose in Zurich, to $4.80 an ounce from $4.7850, and in London, to $4.82 an ounce from $4.79.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.81 an ounce, up from $4.80. Comex silver ended at $4.777 an ounce, up from $4.755.

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#90254u1822 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	26.45-26.55	27.15-27.20

North Sea Brent	30.25-30.35	31.10-31.20
West Texas Intermed	30.75-30.80	31.25-31.35
Light Louisiana Sweet	32.30-32.40	32.85-33.00
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	103.10-103.60	104.05-104.55
No. 2 Heating oil	81.25-81.50	83.90-84.40
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	95.10-95.35	96.55-96.80
No. 2 Heating oil	80.20-80.30	83.10-83.20

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	8	11	11
New lows	94	76	94

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	604	40,958,700
Declines	829	57,210,000
Unchanged	511	15,051,300
Total	1,944	113,220,000

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	4
New lows	34

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	225	3,675,700
Declines	265	2,853,100
Unchanged	265	2,861,200
Total	755	9,120,000

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#90254u1869 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 11) UPI - A spokesman says the exiled Iraqi opposition seeking the ouster of Saddam Hussein plans to set up a government-in- exile. Six Iraqi opposition groups in London and Damascus signed a declaration last week to continue an armed struggle against Baghdad.

Reports today from Iran give a grim picture of life in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. Pakistani refugees who fled to Iran from Kuwait are quoted as saying Iraqi soldiers were treating Kuwaitis brutally... and that food was scarce.

Soldiers and weapons are NOT the only U-S goods heading to the Persian Gulf. Philadelphia candymaker Whitman's Chocolates is sending more than 12 tons of chocolates and other sweets to soldiers in the Middle East.

All the participants are ready for a ''two-plus-four'' meeting tomorrow between East and West Germany and the World War Two allies. The foreign ministers held a final negotiating session today expected to give the formal go-ahead for German unification.

Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov faced public embarassment when President Gorbachev endorsed a rival group's economic plan today. The Tass news agency says Gorbachev likes a radical economic-reform plan over a moderate one developed by Ryzhkov.

Voters went to the polls in Arizona in sweltering heat today to decide if impeached former Governor Evan Mecham should be given another chance. Mecham is in a five-way race for the Republican nomination for governor in the primary election.

The Environmental Protection Agency wants to phase in new standards to cut carbon monoxide emissions from cars in winter. The E-P-A proposal would, for the first time, set a federal limit on carbon monoxide emissions in cold weather.

A Gallup poll found four out of every five mothers surveyed said they would NOT switch from disposable to cloth diapers. The majority of moms polled said they'd rather recycle newspapers or join a car pool than use cloth diapers.

An abandoned newborn baby girl is reported in fair condition, recovering in a hospital in Katy, Texas, one day after she was left by the side of a rural road for 12 hours. The six-pound, 12-ounce infant was discovered yesterday covered with fire ants in a plastic bag.

Denver scientists report a site picked for the city's new airport in 1993 was once a tropical forest. 65-Million-year-old fossilized trees and sub-tropical ferns were accidentally uncovered last May by construction workers.

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#90254u1879 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	176.54	175.72	176.39	off 0.31
Industrial	221.21	220.46	221.20	off 0.21
Transport	140.59	139.97	140.46	up 0.17
Utility	82.89	82.63	82.79	off 0.07
Finance	124.08	123.34	123.34	off 1.10

Equivalent to a loss of 5 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 113,220,000 shares.

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#90254u1895 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Tuesday was 450.07, off 0.33 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90254u1898 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - The auto industry, fearing Middle East oil jitters may stampede Congress into ''panic'' energy conservation measures, launched a major lobbying effort Tuesday to halt a Senate bill to raise fuel economy standards for cars.

In a rare show of unity, U.S. and foreign automakers held a joint news conference to denounce the bill, which would require car manufacturers to increase the average fuel efficiency of their fleets to 40 miles per gallon by 2001, up from the current 27.5 mpg.

The automakers also released letters to Congress from Energy Secretary James Watkins and Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner expressing the Bush administration's strong opposition to the bill. The White House budget office also issued a statement saying President Bush's senior advisers would recommend he veto the bill.

The letters echoed the automakers' main argument that the bill would effectively require the production of more smaller, lighter cars. The result, they said, would be reduced safety, lower sales, fewer jobs for auto workers and less choice for Americans at the car lot, particularly

for those seeking big cars.

That argument was disputed by Sen. Richard Bryan, D-Nev., main sponsor of fuel economy bill, at a House hearing where environmentalists and a congressional expert on cars said better fuel economy is possible with current technology and without major ''down-sizing.''

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The fuel economy legislation has received a major boost from the Persian Gulf crisis, which has re-ignited national concern over America's heavy dependence on foreign oil, which reached record levels earlier this year.

Supporters of the fuel economy bill say the nation will not be able to wean itself from imported oil unless motor vehicles - the largest single oil-using sector - become more efficient.

However, automakers charged Bryan's bill is technologically unfeasible unless new cars were made much smaller and lighter than current models, which already are 1,000 pounds lighter than in the 1970's.

Beyond further size reductions, ''there is no secret or magic technology on the shelf to drastically increase fuel economy,'' said Thomas Hanna, president of the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association of the United States.

Hanna acknowledged the industry had a credibility problem in making those

arguments, given its warnings in the 1970's about inevitable down- sizing.

''I recognize we have a problem,'' Hanna said. ''Manufacturing companies have done better than they thought they would (in meeting current fuel economy standards).''

Still, Al Slechter, Chrysler's government affairs director, told reporters the public must realize that ''we are at a different plateau than we were in 1975.''

''In 1975, we had fat cars,'' he said. ''(Today) we are getting about everything we can get.''

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#90254u1923 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

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#90254u1942 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

ORLANDO, Fla. (SEPT. 11) UPI - The average price of gasoline sold nationwide rose 2.1 cents a gallon in the past week, to the second highest level since the Persian Gulf crisis began, the American Automobile Association said Tuesday.

The AAA said the average price of regular gasoline sold at self- service pumps rose to $1.294 a gallon, up 21.9 cents since Aug. 1, the day before Iraq invaded Kuwait and sent the crude oil prices soaring.

Although the average price nationwide rose since last Wednesday, it is still below the high of $1.307 reached on Aug. 29, the association said.

The AAA said gas prices in the Middle Atlantic states, the Midwest and the Southwest rose the fastest during the past week.

Price increases were smallest in the Southeast, the AAA said.

The AAA calculates the average price based on a nationwide spot check of gasoline stations conducted by Computer Petroleum Corp. of St. Paul, Minn.

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#90254u1976 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 11) UPI - Airline passengers, disgruntled and stranded by overbooked flights, have the power to sue airline companies in state courts for the inconvenience, a federal appeals court ruled Tuesday.

Deregulation of the airlines did not wipe out the rights of the victims of overbooking to take their complaints to state courts around the country, according to the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

The decision held that federal laws regulating airline rates, routes and services do not preempt state law claims that airlines must act in good faith and deal fairly with customers.

The ruling could have broader implications for the airline industry if it allows consumers to challenge other service-related problems regulated by states, according to Alan B. Morrison, attorney for William West, a Northwest Airlines, Inc. rider bumped from a Great Falls, Montana, flight.

Morrison said some states have been attempting to regulate such things as advertising by airlines but have been put off by claims that federal law preempts state power to issue regulations.

Northwest Airlines, based in Minneapolis, contended the Federal Aviation Administration has the sole authority to regulate rates, routes and service.

Northwest maintained that ''services'' included boarding practices. The airline also argued that all state laws that affect airline services, even tangentially, would be preempted by federal regulation.

The appeal court rejected that claim as overbroad and sided with West.

Judge Dorothy Nelson wrote, the Montana state law simply imposes ''a duty on all persons entering into contracts to act with good faith and fair dealing. The fact that this duty is applicable to airlines as well as the general public does not invoke federal preemption,'' she wrote.

West now may take his claim back to state court in Montana to pursue a suit against Northwest.

West was on a flight from Great Falls to Arlington, Va., when he was

bumped.

Northwest had decided to reduce the size of the aircraft to be used in the flight from a Boeing 727, which carries 146 passengers, to a DC- 9, which carries 78 people.

Although Northwest offered West an alternative flight arriving the next day at 3 a.m. he chose to delay his business trip for two weeks.

West is seeking damages for the loss of business and inconvenience and ''in large part to teach the airline a lesson,'' Morrison said.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI -

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Federal Rlty Investmnt	Q	.37	10-15	9-25
Heinz (HJ) Co	Q	.24	10-10	9-24
Distribution				
IP Forest Resources A	..	.72	11-14	9-28
Usual				
Augat Inc	Q	.10	10-31	10-10
Fieldcrest Cannon Inc	Q	.10	10-1	9-21
Fieldcrest Cannon cl-B	Q	.08	10-1	9-21
First AmFed Corp	..	.20	10-10	9-30
Fleetwood Enterprises	Q	.21	11-14	10-5
Fluor Corp	Q	.06	10-16	9-25
Genovese Drug Stores	Q	.06	10-15	9-28
Granite Construction	Q	.05	10-20	9-28
Sensormatic Electron	Q	.07 1/2	10-16	9-25
Star Banc Corp	Q	.24	10-15	9-28
United Industrial Corp	Q	.16	11-29	11-2

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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#90254u1992 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - The nation's crude-oil and gasoline inventories rose last week, the American Petroleum Institute reported Tuesday, indicating that the day of reckoning from the Persian-Gulf crisis has yet to arrive.

Distillate heating oil supplies also rose a whopping 5 million barrels in the oil industry's survey for the week ended Sept. 7.

Crude oil inventories rose 2.1 million barrels to 374.3 million barrels from 372.2 million barrels in the prior week and remained well above year-ago levels of 338.6 million barrels.

Crude oil imports edged up to 6.9 million barrels a day from 6.8 million barrels a day in the previous week and were substantially higher than year ago imports of 6.5 million barrels a day.

Because it takes tankers five to six weeks to reach the United States from the Gulf, analysts have said the effect of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait and the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude would not be felt on U.S. crude imports until mid September.

Gasoline supplies increased to 211.1 million barrels from 210.5 million barrels in the prior week but remained below year-ago levels of 218.4 million barrels.

Gasoline imports increased to 261,000 barrels daily from 192,000 barrels daily in the previous week but were less than year-ago imports of 272,000 barrels daily.

Stocks of unleaded gasoline, which accounts for 90 percent of the domestic market, also increased to 163.0 million barrels from 162.3 million barrels a week earlier and remained higher than year-ago levels of 157.6 million barrels.

Gasoline production held steady at 7.3 million barrels daily, the same level as in the previous week but higher than year-ago output of 7.2 million barrels daily.

U.S. refineries operated at 93.5 percent of capacity last week, compared with 92.0 percent a week earlier and 92.0 percent a year ago.

Imports of refined products edged up to 2.0 million barrels daily from 1.9 million barrels daily in the preceding week but were less than year-ago imports of 2.1 million barrels daily.

Inventories of distillate - used for home-heating oil and diesel fuel - rose 5 million barrels to 131.7 million barrels from 126.7 million barrels a week earlier and were well above year-ago levels of 119.8 million barrels.

Distillate production slipped to 3.0 million barrels daily from 3.1 million barrels daily in the preceding week and was below year-ago output of 3.1 million barrels daily.

Distillate imports fell to 242,000 barrels a day from 354,000 barrels a day in the previous week but were less than year-ago imports of 379, 000

barrels a day.

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#90254u2002 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - Customs officials in Saudi Arabia are confiscating pictures of naked women and some religious materials from mail sent to U.S. troops in the desert kingdom, Gen. Colin Powell said Tuesday.

The acknowledgement came during questioning by Sen. James Exon, D- Neb., a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said that some mail containing pornographic material, pictures of ''naked women'' and religious materials had been confiscated from the mail sent to American GIs in Saudi Arabia.

Under Saudi customs, no pornographic material, religious items ''contrary to'' the Islamic faith, alcohol, or pork or pork byproducts may be sent into Saudi Arabia via the mail.

Powell said servicemen and women who took Bibles with them when they shipped out for Operation Desert Shield most likely still have them, but that Bibles or other religious items sent through the mail could be confiscated by Saudi customs officials.

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#90254u2010 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney told Congress Tuesday the U.S. military operation in Saudi Arabia will cost about $15 billion in the 1991 budget year, but he expects ''about half of that'' to be offset by other nations.

Members of Congress, however, expressed anger at what they called an ''appalling ... insulting'' lack of financial or military support for Operation Desert Shield from two key U.S. allies - West Germany and Japan.

Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, testified before the Senate Armed Services Committee in their first congressional appearance since the U.S. military operation began Aug. 7.

Powell, repeating the word ''well'' for emphasis, disclosed that ''we have well, well in excess of 100,000'' ground and naval forces in Saudi Arabia and the surrounding region. The buildup will continue until the Pentagon is satisfied American troops are there in sufficient numbers to face the threat posed by Iraqi forces, he said.

''We are not there yet. ... We need to continue our buildup for some time to come,'' Powell said, adding that this has been ''the largest, most complex deployment of U.S. forces since World War II.''

Powell said there were about 173,000 Iraqi troops in occupied Kuwait, and a Pentagon spokesman said there were another 92,000 Iraqi troops in southern Iraq, along with 2,200 tanks.

Senators were unanimous in support of the American involvement in trying to deter Iraqi aggression against Saudi Arabia, but they were anxious to hear about the expected cost and how much financial support U.S. allies might provide.

Cheney said the U.S. military operation will cost $2.7 billion through Sept. 30, the end of fiscal 1990, and an additional $15 billion through fiscal 1991 - if there is no fighting.

''If conflict occurs, these costs would multiply manifold,'' he said in his statement.

Referring to financial help by U.S. allies and Arab nations in the region, Cheney said: ''I don't want to leave anybody with the impression that the total costs to the United States are going to be offset, but I think a significant amount will be.''

''The estimated $15 billion addition cost that we came up with for 1991. ... We think we can offset about half of that from these other sources,'' Cheney added.

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., said he was ''appalled'' that it took the OPEC countries a month to decide to increase oil production to make up for the shortfall produced by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

Kennedy said he also found it ''enormously distressing'' that West Germany had agreed to pay as much as $8 billion to house Soviet troops who remain in what is now East Germany after the Oct. 3 unification.

Sen. William Cohen, R-Maine, agreed and described Japan's offer of $1 billion to help support Operation Desert Shield ''a mere bagatelle. ... They've got to do more.''

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said Japan and West Germany were expected to ''pick up a significant amount of the burden'' and he repeatedly pressed Cheney as to whether he agreed with that statement.

''The responses we have gotten have been more than we've ever gotten before'' from other nations, Cheney replied in his second attempt at an

answer.

''But,'' he added, ''it may well be inadquate.''

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ORLANDO, FL (SEPT. 11) UPI - The average price of gasoline sold nationwide rose 2.1 cents a gallon in the past week, to the second highest level since the Persian Gulf crisis began, the American Automobile Association said Tuesday.

The AAA said the average price of regular gasoline sold at self- service pumps rose to $1.294 a gallon, up 21.9 cents since Aug. 1, the day before Iraq invaded Kuwait and sent crude oil prices soaring.

Although the average price nationwide rose since last Wednesday, it is still below the high of $1.307 reached on Aug. 29, the association said.

The AAA said gas prices in the Mid-Atlantic, Midwest and Southwest regions of the country rose the fastest during the past week.

Price increases were smallest in the Southeast, the AAA said.

The AAA calculates the average price based on a nationwide spot check of gasoline stations conducted by Computer Petroleum Corp. of St. Paul, Minn.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - Almost two-thirds of the U.S. companies that export products expect to achieve higher sales abroad in coming months, according to a survey released Tuesday.

Among those anticipating higher exports over the next 12 months, 71 percent said they expect to increase exports to Western Europe, according to the Dun & Bradstreet Corp.-conducted survey.

Another 52 percent expect to increase exports to Japan, and almost 30 percent said they expect to increase exports to Eastern Europe or the Soviet Union.

''These three areas, namely Western Europe, Japan and the Soviet Union, including Eastern Europe, are undergoing radical structural changes, which should make their markets more open to imports from the United States,'' said Joseph W. Duncan, D&B corporate economist and chief statistician.

The survey showed 64 percent of the exporting companies surveyed in June

expect sales to increase over the next 12 months.

Another 33 percent said they expect sales to remain the same and 3 percent forecast a decline, the survey showed.

Of the nation's largest export companies, which includes those with more than 10,000 employees, 75 percent said they expect export sales to continue to grow, the survey showed.

''The D&B survey shows that the export sector should remain strong and may even pick up a bit of strength in the months ahead,'' said Duncan.

''The relatively weak U.S. economy has been growing primarily because of external demand, meaning that the U.S. has been satisfying the needs of other countries,'' he continued.

Recent developments in the Middle East will have a negative impact on the U.S. merchandise trade deficit because of higher fuel costs, he noted.

The manufacturing sector accounts for more than 56 percent of the exporting companies in D&B's sample of 5,000 firms.

Transportation and public utilities ranked a distant second at 19 percent.

The sample of 5,000 companies is drawn from a D&B database of more than 9 million U.S. companies, the New York-based business information company said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - The first official attempts at human gene therapy won final approval from the National Institutes of Health Tuesday, and researchers expect to start the historic tests in sick children by month's end.

As expected, NIH Acting Director William Raub followed the lead of an NIH advisory panel, which in July endorsed two plans to use gene therapy to treat children with depressed immune systems and cancer patients.

The gene therapy project in immune-suppressed children technically could start immediately because the Food and Drug Administration had ''no objections'' during its standard 30-day review period, the FDA's Dr. Henry Miller said.

However, the NIH researchers said they agreed not to start treating the youngsters until they received a verbal go-ahead from top FDA officials, which they anticipated within days.

''It could start this week. We're ready to go within a few days,'' after getting the FDA nod, said Dr. W. French Anderson, who heads the NIH team that plans to use gene therapy to treat children stricken by the extremely rare immune disorder that afflicted the famed Texas ''bubble boy.''

Anderson said he definitely expects to treat the first patient before the end of the month.

The FDA is still reviewing the proposal of Dr. Steven Rosenberg of the National Cancer Institute, who applied two weeks ago to use gene therapy to enhance another experimental therapy in patients suffering from melanoma, a rare, deadly type of skin cancer, Miller said.

Jeremy Rifkin, president of the non-profit Foundation on Economic Trends in Washington, criticized the plan to use gene therapy in children.

''We feel the experiment is premature and we question whether it has any redeeming value as an experiment,'' said Rifkin, who for 13 years has called for tighter regulation of genetic research to prevent misuse.

Rifkin noted the current enzyme replacement drug is marginally effective to very effective in the sick children, and even the researchers caution that gene therapy might trigger cancer or cause antibiotic resistance.

''Technology is rushing way ahead of the willingness of the government to make sure it is not abused and does not run amuck,'' he said.

Every person has about 100,000 genes bearing the instructions for everything from eye color to the risk of developing certain diseases. Gene therapy involves inserting genes with correct information into cells that contain defective genes, or putting in new genes that code for disease-fighting substances.

Although the first two government-sanctioned plans for gene therapy involve relatively rare diseases, the work could pave the way for development of a new breed of treatments for a wide range of illnesses.

In their work, Anderson, Michael Blaese and Kenneth Culver want to correct a childhood immune system deficiency, caused by a flawed gene's failure to code for an enzyme called adenosine deaminase, by inserting correct copies of the gene into patient's blood cells.

The disease affects no more than 20 children worldwide at any given time, and in the past, some affected youngsters lived in plastic bubbles to guard against life-threatening infections. Now, most such children undergo bone marrow transplants or receive injections of the missing enzyme.

Anderson's team plans to perform gene therapy on three to four children annually who do not have siblings who can donate bone marrow and who are not responding well to enzyme replacement.

The proposal has gone through more than three years of review, responding to critcs who fear gene therapy could lead to ethically questionable attempts at genetic engineering.

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HOLLYWOOD (SEPT. 11) UPI - Moviegoers have paid more than $3.5 billion so far this year at the domestic box-office, nearly matching last year's record-setting pace.

The final total for 1989's domestic box-office receipts topped $5 billion.

With the suprise hit ''Ghost'' and courtroom drama ''Presumed Innocent'' helping to keep sales from lagging in the late summer, the year-to-date box office total reached $3.51 billion over the weekend, according to Daily Variety.

This compared with $3.56 billion for the same period last year. In 1988, the total at the same juncture stood at $3.18 billion.

The top 10 movies of the weekend, led by ''Ghost'' and horror- thriller ''Darkman,'' drew $26.6 million during the three days, off 42 percent from the four-day total of $45.5 million registered over the Labor Day weekend.

The lukewarm performance reflected the fact that no major new releases made it into the top 10.

For the week, the total domestic box-office reached $82.4 million, off from the $91.5 million of the year-ago week. In 1988, the corresponding weekly figure was $88.2 million.

During the weekend, ''Ghost'' became the second-highest grossing movie of the year, as it has now taken in $133.4 million in nine weeks. It trails Disney's ''Pretty Woman,'' which has sold $170.3 million in 26 weeks and was still showing at 872 screens last week.

New Line Cinema's ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles'' has taken in $133 million in 24 weeks, while Paramont's ''Hunt for Red October'' has grossed $120.6 million in 28 weeks.

Carolco's ''Total Recall,'' which was the leading summer release until a few weeks ago, earned $117.2 million in 15 weeks and Fox's ''Die Hard 2'' pulled in $111.1 million in 10 weeks.

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#90254u2091 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 11) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange Tuesday approved implementation of two phases of a plan to develop off-hours trading.

The phases are known as crossing sessions, one of which will allow traders to execute securities trades on closing prices from 4:15 p.m. to 5 p.m. The other allows traders to cross program trades based on aggregate prices from 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m., the exchange said.

Under review are auction pricing sessions and continuous 24-hour trading, the exchange said.

''The off-hours trading plan reflects the NYSE's commitment to provide innovative services for its customers and position the exchange competitively in the evolution of a 24-hour marketplace,'' said Richard A. Grasso, president and chief operating officer.

The board also approved a series of rules for off-hours trading, which refers to order entry and execution of trades after the exchange's regular hours of 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., the exchange said.

The proposed rules will be sent to the Securities and Exchange Commission for approval.

The exchange's board of directors also approved the start of a market for trading unregistered securities under the SEC's new rule 144A, which was adopted in April and eases restrictions on trading unregistered securities in the private placement market.

The new system for trading unregistered securities could be implemented in early 1991, the exchange said.

In addition, the exchange approved nine officer appointments and promotions, including three executive vice presidents: David L. Domijan, Catherine Kinney and Edward Kwalwasser.

Appointed senior vice presidents were Charlotte J. Lee and Salvatore Pallante.

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#90254u2098 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - An administratiive law judge for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission issued findings of fact Tuesday saying the Iroquois natural-gas pipeline is needed to meet the Northeast's energy

needs.

Judge Walter Aspin, ruling after evidentiary hearings held in August, said the pipeline is needed to meet projected demand in the region and would not displace U.S. natural-gas supplies. The judge said some suppliers of liquified natural gas and fuel oil could be displaced, however.

Overall, the judge said: ''Current and projected increasing annual and peak demands for natural gas, and demands by existing, on-line and planned electric generators and cogenerators, will not be met by currently available supplies and service and by alternative energy sources. There is a need for the project.''

The 370-mile pipeline is supposed to carry 575.9 million cubic feet of Canadian natural gas per day to 20 gas utilities and power generators in Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, New Hampshire and Rhode Island.

Opponents have questioned the need for the pipeline and charged its construction could hurt the environment.

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#90254u2120 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (SEPT. 11) UPI - About 200 National Guardsmen and other military people and state employees will be used to search wooded areas near the apartments where five University of Florida students were found stabbed to death.

The 10-square-mile area also is near the Gainesville apartment of one of the suspects in the case, Edward Humphrey, 18, a freshman at the university. Witnesses have told investigators Humphrey liked to go into the woods by himself.

Authorities would not say whether they were searching for anything specific.

''We're just going to explore it and see what happens,'' police Lt. Sadie Darnell said. ''We don't know everything we need to know about every suspect.''

But Darnell acknowledged that the search was an attempt to ''either connect (Humphrey) as a suspect or rule him out as a suspect.''

The 200 searchers, troops called out by the National Guard, other military units and the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, were expected to begin their grid search of the woody, swampy areas later this week, Darnell said. She said they would use dogs.

The area to be searched is in southwest Gainesville, near where five college students were found stabbed to death two weeks ago.

Christina Powell, 17, and Sonja Larson, 18, were found dead in their apartment on Aug. 26. Christina Hoyt, 18, was found dead the next day. All three had been stabbed to death and mutilated. Tracy Paules, 23, and Manual Tabouda, 23, were found stabbed to death in the apartment they shared on Aug. 28.

Darnell would not say whether investigators believed the massive search would uncover evidence that the killer might have removed from the crime scenes.

Shortly after the last victims were found, members of the 175-member serial killer task force searched Hogtown Creek, which runs behind Humphrey's apartment, but authorities have refused to comment on any evidence recovered.

Humphrey remained in the Brevard County Detention Center Tuesday on $1 million bond, charged with aggravated battery in the beating of his grandmother on Aug. 30, two days after the last two Gainesville victims were found.

Authorities have refused to identify Humphrey as their prime suspect, saying instead that he is one of eight.

''This search and everything that has led up to now does not denote that Edward Humphrey is the suspect,'' Alachua County Lt. Spencer Mann said.

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#90254u2123 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 11) UPI - Canada has mounted a massive hunt for a Boeing 727 that ditched in the northern Atlantic Ocean with 18 people aboard. The Peruvian airplane left Iceland earlier and was reportedly on its way to Miami. The plane's pilot radioed a mayday, saying the craft was low on fuel before going down 180 miles southeast of Newfoundland. There was NO immediate word of casualties.

Turkey says it is aware of an Iraqi troop build-up near its southeastern border and is- in the words of the nation's defense minister- ''ready to counter any attack.'' Earlier reports said Iraq had moved about 30-thousand troops from the Iraq-Iran border to areas closer to Turkey. However, there was NO immediate confirmation of the reports from Turkish sources. .

Israel also says it is ready for any possible Iraqi moves. Prime Minister

Shamir says Iraq may attack Israel if war breaks out to show the Arab world that it can defeat Israel. But Shamir says Israel is prepared for any Iraqi assault. Israel's defense minister says he expects more U-S aid in light of the gulf crisis.

Lawmakers raised a stink today over the on-going census count. At a House subcommittee hearing today in Washington... Democratic Representative Martin Frost of Texas said the Census Bureau ''has done an excellent job of counting white suburbanites,'' but NOT minorities. Representative Donald Payne of New Jersey disputed figures that the mostly black city of Newark lost 27 percent of its population during the last decade.

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#90254u2197 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

AMMAN, Jordan (SEPT. 11) UPI - For Chalam Milla, the long journey from Kuwait - with its six days of waiting in the desert on the Jordanian border - was nearly over.

The 32-year-old secretary had what tens of thousands of Asian refugees stranded in Jordan desired - a plane ticket home.

''We are very happy really to be leaving,'' said Milla, who had worked in a furniture company before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. ''We never suffered like this in our lives. This is a very good lesson for all of us. Now we know what suffering is.''

Hundreds of Indians, Pakistanis and Filipinos stood in noisy lines at the International Fair grounds tuesday waiting for buses to take them from the makeshift refugee camp on the outskirts of Amman to the airport.

Once a Jordanian policeman gave them permission to board a bus, the refugees scrambled to load their bulging suitcases on top of the vehicle and piled in.

The estimated 1,500 refugees who left the sprawling fair grounds were among 6,000-7,000 displaced persons, mostly Asians, to leave Amman Tuesday for home.

Relief officials overseeing the repatriation of thousands of workers who fled Kuwait and Iraq expressed guarded optimism that the tide may be beginning to turn.

''Things are looking good,'' said Regina Boucault, spokeswoman for the International Organization for Migration, which is overseeing transportation for the refugees. ''But nobody knows what will happen on the other side of the (Iraqi) border.''

IOM plans to evacuate 31,500 people by Sept. 20. The organization scheduled 107 flights out of Amman after $30 million was pledged by the international community.

About 68,000 Asian refugees are in Jordan with as many as 15,000 entering the country every day, according to relief officials.

''The international effort is becoming more effective,'' said Maroofi Yahya, deputy chief of the IOM Amman office. ''It looks better because of improved coordination and awareness.''

If the number of incoming refugees continues to drop, officials hope they can begin to reduce the total number of expatriates languishing in the Hashemite kingdom.

But those who departed Tuesday left tens of thousands of refugees behind living in squalid, cramped conditions in hastily built camps.

At the fairgrounds, 19,749 people from eight Asian countries spend the hot September days waiting in line for food, water and their turn to return home.

''The movement of evacuation is accelerating a little bit, but it is still not as it should be,'' said Hisham Al Ish, volunteer spokesman at the fair grounds, adding that Jordan would like most of the refugees sent home by Oct. 1 when the rainy winter weather starts.

Most of the refugees now are in tents, but several hundred still have only sheets and blankets rigged on poles to shelter them. A few thousand are camped inside the large exhibition hall.

Although the conditions are primitive, the refugees say they are much better than those in the camps on the Iraqi border, where food and water are scarce and there is little shelter available.

The smell of human excrement and garbage pervades much of the camp and people must wash where they can. Behind the exhibition hall, a man in a brown sarong washed his bare chest, using water from a yellow bucket while nearby nearly 75 people stood in line waiting to use the bathrooms. Those who cannot wait climb a hill behind the nearly 20 acres of fair grounds to find a secluded spot.

Officials say the refugees are depressed that they cannot leave, but add there have been few problems of fights or violence. No outbreaks of serious diseases have been reported, they said.

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#90254u2275 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 11) UPI - Canadian transportation officials say the color of a Peruvian 727 is slowing the search for the jetliner that ditched in the northern Atlantic Ocean. Officials say the craft's white color makes it difficult to spot from the air. The plane with 18 Peruvians aboard ditched about 180 miles south of Newfoundland this afternoon... after apparently running low on fuel.

President Bush tonight will give a nationally broadcast speech expected to spell out the dangers and the opportunities of the Middle East crisis. Bush is optimistic that Iraq will give in... but he is expected to maintain that it will NOT happen quickly or easily. The White House says Bush will address the federal deficit by emphasizing the need to get the U-S ''domestic house in order.''

Defense Secretary Cheney estimates that the tab for keeping U-S troops in Saudi Arabia will be 15-BILLION dollars for fiscal year 1991. Cheney told Congress today he expects about half of that to be paid by other nations. Senators were UNanimous in support of the deployment. But some were outraged at what they called an ''appalling'' lack of financial or military support from two key U-S allies- West Germany and Japan.

The State Department says Iraq will allow American men to leave Kuwait if they were born in Arab countries. The department terms the move an ''important development'' and has chartered two more Iraqi Airways jetliners to get Americans out of Kuwait... one on Wednesday and one Friday. But the department warns U-S-born American men in Kuwait that they remain subject to Iraqi arrest.

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#90254u2281 09/11/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 11) UPI - South African President Frederik de Klerk says during talks today with Nelson Mandela, he reiterated ''deep concern'' about violence between rival black groups. De Klerk says he told the African National Congress leader that the government is taking steps to maintain law and order. Mandela earlier warned that the bloodshed is threatening talks to end the nation's racial conflict.

The National Institutes of Health today gave its final approval to the first official attempts at human gene therapy. The historic tests on sick children are expected to begin by the end of the month. But the Washington-based NON-profit Foundation on Economic Trends criticized the plan as premature, calling instead for tighter regulation of genetic research to prevent misuse.

A judge in Chicago today rejected a last-ditch effort to prevent the execution of convicted double-murderer Charles Walker. The head of the

Illinois Coalition Against the Death Penalty had filed suit to keep the state from spending taxpayers' money for the execution... scheduled for early tomorrow. Motions for stays also are pending before the Illinois and U-S Supreme courts.

Florida Governor Bob Martinez is adding a note of caution to the frenzy surrounding the state's Lotto jackpot, which has climbed to 90- Million dollars. Martinez says he's worried that people may ''over- extend themselves trying to win'' the prize that could total 100-Million dollars by week's end. A 90-Million-dollar prize would be the second- highest jackpot in U-S lottery history. The drawing is Saturday night .

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - Showers and thunderstorms doused east of the Rockies Tuesday, tornadoes hit a remote area in Wisconsin and the Southwest sizzled in a suffocating heat wave.

The precipitation fell over parts of Wisconsin, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Tennessee and Alabama.

The National Weather Service said tornadoes hit an area in northwest Wisconsin Tuesday. No injuries were reported. Authorities were assessing the extent of property damage.

Temperatures remained hot over portions of the Southwest, reaching into the upper 90s and 100 degrees over southern Arizona and southeast California.

Workers in the Arizona Department of Education building in Phoenix were sent home Tuesday because the air conditioning broke down. The temperatures in the building were in the 90s and it was rising well into the 100s.

In Texas, where storms caused dozens of highway accidents Monday, a flash flood watch was in effect for parts of north Texas, including the cities of Tyler and Waco.

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#90254u2299 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia (SEPT. 11) UPI - A Peruvian Boeing 727 with 15 people aboard ditched in the northern Atlantic Ocean Tuesday about 180 miles south of Newfoundland, Canadian aviation authorities and airline officials said.

There were no immediate reports of casualties. Canadian Coast Guard planes and ships planned to search through the night for the aircraft.

''There has been no location. We're continuing to search all night until we find her,'' Coast Guard spokesman Chip Chase said in a telephone interview from Halifax, Nova Scotia.

''It's in the water right now,'' said a spokesman of Canada's Transportation Safety Board in Ottawa.

The airplane owned by Faucett Airlines of Peru left Malta earlier Tuesday and refueled in Reykjavik, Iceland, before heading for Gander airport. The plane was due to land in Miami later in the day.

Faucett Airlines officials originally said 18 people were aboard the aircraft, but later changed the number to 15 because three people left the plane when it refuelled in Iceland.

Faucett spokeswoman Betty McDaniels said those aboard included crew members, mechanics and their families and all were Peruvians.

Another company spokesman said the plane was equipped with lifeboats and lifevests, ''all emergency things for a ditching.''

David Owen, the Board's Atlantic regional manager, said Canadian search and rescue authorities on Canada's east coast have mounted a search for the jetliner, and a Coast Guard spokesman in Halifax said the search was hampered by the plane's white color, which makes it difficult to spot it from the air.

The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation reported the plane ran low on fuel after it wandered far off its intended course. The plane was to refuel in Gander, Newfoundland before heading to Miami.

Lloyd Brown, regional marine superintendent of the Canadian Coast Guard, said that the plane's pilot last radioed authorities at 2:20 p.m. EDT.

''A mayday was issued. The aircraft was low on fuel,'' said Brown, who was unable to confirm whether the plane wandered off course.

Faucett Airlines of Peru is a registered company that was established in 1928.

''The pilot said he was ditching,'' said Brown. The plane, with 18 people on board, went down 180 miles southeast of Cape Race, Newfoundland, he said.

Brown said search and rescue officials have mounted a massive hunt over a

wide area for the plane with two Aurora aircraft from Greenwood, Nova Scotia, two Labrador helicopters from Gander, Newfoundland and a Buffalo aircraft dispatched from Summerside, Prince Edward Island.

Other aircraft are on standby, according to Brown, while Coast Guard and commercial ships have also responded to the mayday.

There was good visibility in the area of the crash, Brown said, and winds were from the southeast at 10 to 15 miles per hour.

A spokesman for the Canadian Coast Guard said the plane was equipped with emergency locator transmitters.

''We had one hit from a satellite located over England which gave us a position for the search,'' and another position was provided by a commercial airline travelling over the north Atlantic which picked up the Peruvian jet on its radar and followed its approximate course.

However, the two positions were quite far apart, according to the spokesman, forcing search planes to cover an area of 40,000 square miles.

Bill Johns, another spokesman for the Canadian Coast Guard in Halifax, said the plane could sink, immediately break up on impact or it might float for minutes or hours.

''The tail may break up, but the wreckage would be there. A 727 is a big airplane,'' Johns said.

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#90254u2318 09/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - Backed for the moment by the American people, President Bush vowed Tuesday to drive Iraq from Kuwait through concerted international action and hailed the ''new partnership of nations'' that has risen to oppose the aggression of Saddam Hussein.

''We stand today at a unique and extraordinary moment,'' Bush said in a nationally televised speech to a joint session of Congress. ''The Persian Gulf crisis, as grave as it is, also offers a rare opportunity to move toward an historic period of cooperation.''

Touting American resolve and the emergence of ''a new world order'' from the tragedy of the first major conflict of the post-Cold War era, Bush laid out the challenges and the vital interests at stake in the 5-week-old showdown in the Middle East.

America, he said, ''must defend common vital interests'' - not the least of which is access to oil - and take the lead in standing up to those who

flaunt ''the rule of law'' and pursue aggression against their neighbors.

In the case of Kuwait, he insisted that Iraq ''is literally trying to wipe a country off the face of the Earth'' while in the process grabbing control of 20 percent of the world's known oil reserves. ''We cannot permit a resource so valuable to be dominated by one so ruthless,'' he said. ''And we won't.''

''In the face of tyranny, let no one doubt American credibility and reliability. Let no one doubt our staying power,'' he declared. ''We will stand by our friends. One way or another, the leader of Iraq must learn this fundamental truth.''

The speech afford Bush the chance to renew his prediction that Iraq ultimately will capitulate under the weight of U.N.-ordered economic sanctions, while making clear that repulsing Iraqi aggression will not be done quickly or easily.

To those concerned that the United States is being forced to go it alone in the gulf, foresaken by friends and allies, Bush noted that he has sought from the outset ''to fashion the broadest possible international response'' to the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and said, ''The level of cooperation and condemnation of Iraq is unprecedented.''

The catalyst for the speech was Sunday's summit in Helsinki between Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, which ended with a historic show of superpower solidarity squarely directed against Saddam.

Though their embrace of shared goals masked continued differences over the means to achieve them, Bush remained buoyed that the United States and the Soviet Union, for years protagonists in such regional conflicts, may now cooperate in the post-Cold War world to prevent or resolve them.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 11) UPI - Highlights of President Bush's address to a joint session of Congress on the crisis in the Persian Gulf:

The Challenge: ''The test we face is great - and so are the stakes. This is the first assault on the new world we seek, the first test of our mettle. ... America and the world must defend common vital interests. And we will.''

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Budget deficit: ''To revitalize our leadership capacity, we must address our budget deficit, not after election day, next year, but now.''

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''We stand today at a unique and extraordinary moment,'' Bush said in a nationally televised speech to a joint session of Congress. ''The Persian Gulf crisis, as grave as it is, also offers a rare opportunity to move toward an historic period of cooperation.''

Touting American resolve and the emergence of ''a new world order'' from the first major conflict of the post-Cold War era, Bush laid out the challenges and responsibilities at stake in the 5-week-old Persian Gulf crisis.

America, he said, ''must defend common vital interests'' - not the least of which is access to oil - and take the lead in standing up to those who flout ''the rule of law'' and pursue aggression against their neighbors.

In the case of Kuwait, he insisted that Iraq ''is literally trying to wipe a country off the face of the Earth'' in a bid to control 20 percent of the world's known oil reserves. ''We cannot permit a resource so valuable to be dominated by one so ruthless,'' he said. ''And we won't.''

''In the face of tyranny, let no one doubt American credibility and reliability. Let no one doubt our staying power,'' he declared. ''We will stand by our friends. One way or another, the leader of Iraq must learn this fundamental truth.''

Interrupted frequently by applause, Bush renewed his prediction that Iraq

ultimately will capitulate under the weight of U.N.-ordered economic sanctions, while making clear that repulsing Iraqi aggression will not be done quickly or easily.

To those concerned that the United States is being forced to go it alone in the gulf, foresaken by friends and allies, Bush noted that he has sought from the outset ''to fashion the broadest possible international response'' to the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and said, ''The level of cooperation and condemnation of Iraq is unprecedented.''

In the Democratic response, House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., signaled no change in the broad bipartisan backing Bush has enjoyed agreeing the situation constitutes ''a cause worth standing and fighting for.''

''We are now in the Persian Gulf not simply for oil or to save emirs and kings,'' he said, ''but to defend the most fundamental values of a more stable and decent world.''

At the same time, Gephardt called on wealthy U.S. allies, particularly Japan and West Germany, to ''respond to our potential sacrifice of lives with at least a financial sacrifice of their own'' by making bigger contributions to the gulf effort.

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NO agreement yet between budget negotiators trying to come up with a plan to cut the federal deficit. But sources close to the talks at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington say they've narrowed key differences on taxes, defense and domestic spending cuts and could finish up tomorrow or early Thursday. .

Negotiators broke from their talks this afternoon to vote on Capitol Hill and listen to President Bush's nationally broadcast speech to a joint session of Congress tonight.

A spokesman for the Canadian Coast Guard says planes and ships will search through the night for a Peruvian jetliner with 15 people aboard that ditched today in the northern Atlantic... about 180 miles south of Newfoundland. .

The Boeing 727... owned by Faucett Airlines of Peru... left Malta earlier today and refueled in Reykjavik, Iceland, before heading for Gander airport. The plane was to land in Miami later in the day. All 15 people aboard were Peruvians.

Quebec's premier is saying NO to an offer from Mohawk Indians to end their eight-week standoff against the Canadian army at a reserve south of Montreal. The government rejected the demand for a joint probe into alleged crimes committed during the dispute.

A number of tornadoes hit parts of Wisconsin tonight. NO injuries are reported. Twisters are reported to have touched down in Barron County in the northwestern part of the state. A sheriff's department dispatcher says one tornado in the city of Rice Lake caused ''major damage.'' NO further details were available.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - Officials in San Antonio, Texas, say three high school students were wounded today in what some witnesses say was a gang-related shooting. But police say it's too early to tell if that's the case. Three other students were arrested.

A newborn girl is recovering in a Katy, Texas, hospital after lying along

a rural road for 12 hours covered with fire ants in a plastic bag. The baby was found yesterday after her 19-year-old mother told police she'd given birth and left the child by the road. NO word on whether the mother will face charges.

New York police arrested a man and a woman today after the pair climed atop the Times Square recruiting office for the U-S armed forces and set fire to an American flag. Says one officer- ''They're fanatics. They should be sent to Iraq.''

Four people were injured today when police in central Yugoslavia broke up demonstrations by ethnic Serbs protesting alleged persecution by Moslems. It's the latest in a series of outbreaks of unrest involving Serbs... Yugoslavia's largest ethnic group.

About 300 leftist students marching on the U-S Embassy in Manila to protest American military bases in the Philippines scattered today when a police officer accidentally dropped a tear gas cannister. Talks on the renewal of U-S basing rights are set to resume next week.

Some areas of Seoul, South Korea, are under as much as five feet of water... thanks to the heaviest downpours in 40 years that have triggered floods and landslides in the area. Authorities say 39 people are confirmed dead and 18 more reported missing.

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A major upset could be in the works in today's Democratic mayoral primary in Washington D-C. Early returns in the race to choose a likely successor to Marion Barry show Sharon Pratt Dixon with a substantial lead over her four opponents- all veteran politicians. Dixon has NEVER held elected office and trailed badly in recent polls. The winner will face former city police chief Maurice Turner, a Republican, in the November general election. Turner is popular, but Washington's Democratic primary has in the past been considered tantamount to the general election.

Nightfall has NOT ended the search for a Peruvian Boeing 727 that ditched in the northern Atlantic about 180 miles south of Newfoundland. The flight originated in Malta, refueled in Iceland, and was headed for Miami by way of Gander airport. The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation reported that the plane ran low on fuel after wandering far off-course. A Canadian Coast Guard official says he's UNable to confirm whether the plane was off course, but said the pilot issued a mayday and that the aircraft was low on fuel.

A former Israeli intelligence agent tells U-P-I that Israeli agents visited him in Canada, offering to pay him NOT to publish a book. Victor Ostrovsky's book contains numerous charges against the Mossad intelligence service... including allegations that it knew in advance of the October 1983 terrorist bombing of U-S Marines headquarters in Lebanon. Ostrovsky claims the Mossad hoped the attack that killed 241 Marines would ruin U-S-Arab relations.

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(SEPT. 11) UPI - El Salvador today re-shuffled its military command, but kept the same bloc of politically powerful officers in control. Three members of the ruling Tandona bloc were assigned to foreign countries- a move likened to being put out to pasture. A top officer says the changes were NOT forced by U-S pressure to clean up the military. A leftist leader calls the changes merely ''cosmetic.''

The task force investigating the killings of five college students in Gainesville, Florida, plans to search the woods near one suspect's home. Authorities say 200 National Guardsmen and other workers this week will search a 10-square-mile area near the apartment of suspect Edward Humphrey. Witnesses have told investigators that Humphrey liked to go into the woods by himself.

In New York today, a 12-year-old boy severely burned earlier this year in an attack by a neighborhood teen-ager recounted the incident in public for the first time. David Opont testified that his attacker pretended to be a detective trying to find drug users in luring him to an abandoned building. Opont spoke at a hearing to determine the fate of the 14-year-old suspect charged with juvenile delinquency.

A teacher at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, says he avoids a grim approach in trying to educate students about AIDS. Reginald Fennell says he uses humor in the hopes that getting people to laugh will make them more open to ideas. Students at the unversity followed up on Fennell's teachings today by passing out condoms with slogans reading- ''Cover me, I'm going in.''

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DENVER (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Hamilton Oil Corp. Wednesday announced that the United Kingdom Department of Energy has given formal approval for development of the Bruce field located in Quadrant 9 of the U.K. sector of the North Sea.

The Bruce field spans three blocks, 9/8A, 9/9A and 9/9B, and is

approximately 240 miles northeast of Aberdeen, Scotland. It is the largest development currently underway in the U.K. North Sea with estimated reserves of over 2.5 trillion cubic feet of natural gas and 220 million barrels of liquids.

Natural gas production from the Bruce field will be sold to British Gas plc (90 percent) and Corby Power Ltd. (10 percent). The natural gas will be transported via the Frigg pipeline system and delivered to St. Fergus. The liquids production will be transported via a new 24-inch pipeline which will join the Forties pipeline system about 144 miles south of the Bruce field.

Full development of the Bruce field is estimated to cost up to 1.5 billion pounds. Production is scheduled to start in October 1993. Average production levels will reach 80,000 barrels of liquids and 520 million cubic feet of natural gas per day in 1994. Development drilling in the Bruce field is currently in progress and contracts for various project components are being awarded.

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WICHITA, KAN. (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - High Plains Corp. (NASDAQ:HIPC) Wednesday announced that it has met the qualifications for listing on NASDAQ's National Market System.

High Plains will begin trading on the National Market System on Sept. 18, 1990, allowing the stock to trade on margin and enabling shareholders and brokers easier access to stock quotes and trading volumes.

High Plains Corp., headquartered in Wichita, is one of the largest ethanol producers west of the Mississippi River and the only publicly traded pure play investment opportunity in the industry.

Made from sorghum and corn, Ethanol is added to gasoline to raise the octane level and decrease automotive pollutants going into the atmosphere without increasing gasoline's price at the pump.

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REDMOND, WA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. announced

Wednesday a marketing promotion that will enable millions of spreadsheet users and users of Microsoft Windows applications to easily access Microsoft SQL Server, and to share a common database on a local area network (LAN).

The Microsoft announcement allows current users of SQL Server, and those who purchase SQL Server between now and Dec. 31, 1990, to obtain several key software packages free of charge: Lotus Development Corp.'s new interface software packages that link SQL Server to LotusR 1-2-3; and Pioneer Software Q+E, a general query and reporting tool that can link SQL Server to Microsoft Excel and other applications designed for the Windows graphical environment version 3.0.

''For the first time, users of the industry's leading spreadsheets as well as a large number of Windows applications can share access to Microsoft SQL Server databases,'' said Dwayne Walker, senior product manager at Microsoft for SQL Server. ''With this program, Microsoft is making network computing easier, especially for existing PC applications found in many organizations today.''

Lotus DataLens Links 1-2-3 Spreadsheets to SQL Server

The Lotus DataLens Driver for SQL Server links Lotus 1-2-3 to the SQL Server environment, allowing users to query, extract and update data on the network database. The Lotus DataLens driver links 1-2-3 Release 3, 3.1 and 1-2-3/G users to SQL Server. Also included in the program is Lotus SQL, an add-in that provides complete data access to SQL Server from 1-2-3 Release 2.01 and 2.2.

DataLens, a Lotus-developed technology, is designed to provide a consistent and transparent means by which users can easily move data into their applications for analysis and manipulation.

''The Lotus DataLens Driver for SQL Server links the powerful database facilities built into 1-2-3 directly to tables in SQL Server,'' said Tad Staley, DataLens product manager for Lotus Development. ''Using familiar 1-2-3 commands, our users can access data in SQL Server transparently, as though it were on the spreadsheet.

''With its array of administrative tools preserving data integrity, SQL Server is a particularly good complement to 1-2-3. Using the Lotus Data Access Products, our users get the best of two worlds: the powerful data analysis capabilities of Lotus 1-2-3 coupled with the data integrity and control of SQL Server.''

Pioneer Q+E Software Links Windows 3.0 Applications to SQL Server

Pioneer Software's Q+E is a graphical database query, edit and reporting

tool that allows users to browse through databases and easily change, add or delete records in the database; and also to select, sort and join databases or files, easily extracting information from numerous sources.

Developed by Pioneer and licensed by Microsoft, Q+E version 2.5 supports SQL Server, and links Microsoft Excel for Windows and other Windows applications to external databases, including dBASE-compatible databases and ASCII text files in addition to SQL Server. Q+E works well with Microsoft Excel. When Q+E is installed, needed commands are automatically added to the Microsoft Excel data menu, allowing Microsoft Excel users to query SQL Server right from their spreadsheet.

Q+E allows Microsoft Excel users to browse or sort data before importing it into the spreadsheet, allows several files to be viewed on screen at once, and provides continuous, real-time updating of SQL Server data in the Microsoft Excel spreadsheet.

''Q+E provides a powerful, easy-to-use interface to the system administration functionality of SQL Server for any Windows 3.0 application '' said Richard Holcomb, vice president at Pioneer Software. ''With Q+E, users can access the server data to create dynamic linked spreadsheets or documents.''

Q+E allows any version 3.0-based application that supports dynamic data exchange (DDE) to access SQL Server.

Q+E is available from Pioneer Software, and Microsoft Excel for Windows with Q+E version 2.5 is available as an integrated package from Microsoft. The Microsoft program announced today provides a copy of Q+E as a stand-alone product, for use in linking any Windows environment version 3.0 application to SQL Server. It is also useful alone as a SQL Server query and edit tool.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ: MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, hardware and CD ROM products for the microcomputer marketplace.

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LONGMONT, CO (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Staodyn Inc. (NASDAQ:SDYN) Wednesday reported that the company anticipates a loss of $275,000-$300,000 for the fiscal second quarter ending Sept. 1, 1990.

Sales for the quarter were down 18 percent from the same period last year. ''We have initiated the necessary steps to turn the sales picture around, but it may take the rest of the year. Changes in the market, plus our own mistakes, make the achievement of the earlier 20 percent increase impossible.

Medical professionals who will prescribe this product are also prescribers of TENS and muscle stimulation. The new product will be used by patients who are also prime candidates for the company's wound healing product, to be submitted to the FDA for approval in late 1990.

''We are in active marketing partner discussions with two large divisions of multi-billion dollar medical companies. They are both enthusiastic about the Dermapulse wound healing technology,'' Gibson said.

Staodyn is a leading manufacturer of medical electronic products, primarily TENS (Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulation) devices used for the relief of chronic and acute pain, and NMES (Neuromuscular Electrical Stimulation) devices used in physical and sports medicine for muscle re-education and rehabilitation.

The company has been engaged in an extensive clinical investigation using electrotherapy for wound care, which when approved for sales within the United States, is likely to become a major portion of the company's business.

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EL MONTE, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Marshall Industries (NYSE:MI) Wednesday reported estimated operating results for its first fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

The company estimated net sales for the first quarter to be about $146 million compared with $127 million for the same period a year ago. Net income was estimated to be approximately $4.9 million, or 58 cents per share, vs. $4.7 million, or 50 cents per share, in the first quarter of the prior year.

The estimated results for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, include a gain of 3 cents per share related to the sale of a facility. The current year's net

income per share figure also reflects 845,000 fewer shares outstanding as the result of the repurchase of company stock in November and December 1989.

The company expects to release final results for the first quarter early next week.

Marshall Industries is a leading national distributor of industrial electronic components, computer products, electronic test instruments and production supplies.

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ANAHEIM, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - A name change from Replatec Co. to Green Tree Plastics Technology Inc., a start-up company, was announced Wednesday by the firm's co-founders -- William Baskind, president, and Vice President G.P. ''Skip'' Humphrey Jr.

Baskind said: ''The new name was selected because it more accurately describes the company's activities. The former name, Replatec, was changed because it was not available.''

Green Tree will produce a line of ''HI-MOD'' plastic lumber to replace items made of chemically treated and other lumber. The new environmental laws regarding toxic materials create an opportunity for use of plastic lumber products. Green Tree Plastics lumber products have been in laboratory development for over 2 years and are now ready for production.

Baskind noted, ''Several municipalities now mandate the use of plastic lumber to avoid toxic hazards of chemically treated lumber, especially the problems they represent to the environment by leaching into the water supply.''

HI-MOD plastic lumber is totally resistant to many devastating wood-eating insects such as termites and other wood borers. Wood rot is also no longer a problem.

This material has two advantages, first, it reduces plastic waste materials entering land fills. Second, it opens an opportunity to produce usable products from the waste stream.

This creates a chance for sheltered workshops to produce saleable products for the community and industry. These include park benches, playground equipment, fence stakes and posts, fruit tree supports and other secondary structural items.

Markets for ''HI-MOD'' plastic lumber already exist and include agriculture, civil engineering, marine, horticulture, garden products and special industrial items that can use this type of material as a wood substitute.

What makes ''HI-MOD'' plastic unique is its special manufacturing process which integrates the various heretofore imcompatible plastic materials into a uniform, integrated mass, making it the strongest wood substitute available. Products can be made by extruding or by injection molding method.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Santa Fe Energy Partners L.P. announced Wednesday that unitholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990 would receive a cash distribution of 20 cents per unit payable on Nov. 15, 1990.

This is the twentieth cash distribution since the Partnership's inception in January 1986.

Santa Fe Energy Partners L.P. is a publicly traded limited partnership affiliated with Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. a Houston-based independent oil and gas exploration and production company. The partnership units are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SFP.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - URS Corp. (NYSE:URS) Wednesday reported revenues for the fiscal third quarter ended July 31, of $27.7 million a 19 percent increase over revenues of $23.3 million in the like 1989 period.

Loss from continuing operations in the third quarter was $400,000, or 12 cents per share, as compared to a $7.5 million loss, or $8.54 per share, in the 1989 period.

The 1989 loss included a $2.3 million write-down in the company's investment in its former international subsidiary. Net loss for the period was also $400,000, as compared to a net loss of $8.9 million in 1989 which included $1.4 million in losses from discontinued operations.

The company said improved performance in the 1990 third quarter resulted from increasing revenues, significantly lower general and administrative expenses, and lower interest costs due to lower debt.

Increased revenues in the fiscal third quarter resulted primarily from activities related to U.S. Navy environmental engineering and remediation work in the Northwest and Alaska, two U.S. Environmental Protection Agency contracts, civil engineering at the new Denver International Airport and hospital design and architectural work in Southern California.

At the end of the third quarter, the company's backlog of signed contracts was $123 million, a 70 percent increase over the $72 million in signed contracts at the beginning of 1990.

Revenues for the nine months ended July 31 were $73.5 million, three percent ahead of the prior year's $71.7 million. Loss from continuing operations, which included a one time $3.2 million charge related to the company's financial restructuring, was $5.5 million, or $2.62 per share.

This is compared with a $12.6 million loss from continuing operations, or $14.35 per share, in the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

Net loss for the nine months was $15.2 million, or $7.28 per share, which included a $9.7 million loss from discontinued operations due primarily to the shutdown of the company's Mitchell Management Systems subsidiary.

This compares with net income of $11.2 million, or $12.88 a share, in the 1989 nine-month period, which included a $5.3 million charge to discontinued operations and a $29.1 million extraordinary gain from the exchange of a new series of subordinated debentures and common shares for previously issued convertible subordinated debentures.

As a separate matter, the company also announced that it has reached a settlement with IBM relating to matters resulting from the discontinuation of Mitchell Management Systems.

URS Corp. is a publicly owned company whose shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Its subsidiary, URS Consultants Inc., is a nationwide consulting firm with over 25 offices which provides planning, architectural, engineering and program and construction management services to a variety of public and private clients.

Utilizing staff resources of more than 1,000 professionals, URS meets the

challenges of today's complex hazardous waste/environmental, water resources, transportation, architectural and construction management projects.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Steven L. Isenberg, associate publisher of Newsday, will join the Los Angeles Times as executive vice president, marketing, effective Jan. 1, 1991, announced David Laventhol, publisher and chief executive officer.

Isenberg, 49, will succeed Don Clark, 64, who will continue as an executive vice president during 1991 to ensure an orderly transition.

''Steve Isenberg is one of Time Mirror's most talented newspaper executives and brings a special dimension of skills to this challenging assignment,'' Laventhol said.

Isenberg will be responsible for advertising, circulation, promotion and marketing research as well as the marketing operations of The Times' daily regional editions in Orange County, San Diego and the San Fernando Valley. He will report to Laventhol.

''Don Clark has led The Times' marketing departments with great distinction during the past three years,'' Laventhol said. ''Under his leadership, The Times has had record-breaking years in circulation and revenues.''

''Don was classified advertising director for seven years prior to his current assignment,'' Laventhol added. ''In that capacity, his accomplishments included the complete reorganization of the sales, administration and operation departments within classified and many record-breaking years in revenue and linage at America's largest classified advertising department.''

Isenberg has been associate publisher of Newsday, a Times Mirror newspaper, since September 1986, where he has special responsibilities for New York Newsday. Prior to that, Isenberg was publisher of the Stamford Advocate and Greenwich Time, two Times Mirror newspapers in Connecticut. He began his newspaper career with Newsday in 1982 as assistant to the publisher.

Isenberg previously practiced law in New York and served as chief of staff and assistant to former Mayor John V. Lindsay.

With this new assignment, Isenberg returns to Los Angeles, where he grew up and attended local public schools. He received a bachelor's degree in English from the University of California at Berkeley. He also holds a

bachelor's and master's degree in English language and literature from Worcester College Oxford, England, and a J.D. from the Yale Law School.

He is a member of the executive board of the College of Letters and Sciences at the University of California at Berkeley; the senior advisory board of the Joan Shorenstein Barone Center on the Press, Politics and Public Policy at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government; and the Council on Foreign Relations.

Clark, who has been with The Times for 37 years, was named to his current position in 1988. He joined the newspaper as an automotive division sales representative in classified, subsequently serving in a variety of management positions in the department. He was promoted to director of classified in 1981.

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RIVERWOODS, IL (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Sears Mortgage Corp. (SMC) announced Wednesday that it has acquired the $6.7 billion residential mortgage-servicing portfolio of Southeast Mortgage Co. (SEMCO) and five of SEMCO's loan-origination offices in Florida.

Pursuant to a formula agreed upon by the parties, the purchase price for the SEMCO assets will result in a payment in excess of $100 million.

The five Florida loan-origination offices are located in Ft. Lauderdale, Ft. Myers, Jacksonville, Kendall/Miami and Lake Worth (West Palm Beach). Prior to the acquisition, SMC had nine loan-origination offices in Florida. Some 28 SEMCO loan officers will also move to SMC as part of the acquisition.

Additionally, beginning Nov. 1, SMC will operate a servicing facility in the SEMCO headquarters building in Miami. It will be staffed by approximately 25 former SEMCO employees who will provide collection and customer-service functions for the combined Florida and Georgia SMC mortgage-loan servicing portfolio, a total of some 83,000 loans.

Each SMC office will offer a complete line of conventional, FHA and VA mortgage loans, including 15- and 30-year fixed-rate as well as adjustable loans. Jumbo loans will also be offered.

SMC offices will offer a variety of mortgage-loan programs, including: ApprovalFirst (sm), which provides the home shopper with approval for a specific monthly home payment before house hunting; Sears National Accelerated Processing (SNAP), which guarantees 14-day processing on conventional loans,

given certain documentation; and a personalized computer analysis to compare mortgage options.

With the acquisition, SMC's portfolio will include more than 190,000 mortgage loans totaling nearly $14 billion, and the company's network of branches in 33 states will include 100 retail mortgage-origination locations.

Sears Mortgage, based in Riverwoods, is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Coldwell Banker Real Estate Group and a business unit of Sears, Roebuck and Co.

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - In an effort to meet the continuously increasing demand for its products, Toshiba America Information Systems Inc. (TAIS) Wednesday announced plans to further expand manufacturing for both its laptop personal computers (PCs) and state-of-the-art ''surface mounted'' printed circuit boards (PCBs) at its headquarters facilities in Irvine.

The announcement was made Wednesday by Kiichi Hataya, president of TAIS.

Beginning Dec. 1, TAIS will increase laptop production capacity to 25,000 units each month, up from the present 15,000. Additionally, the company will increase production capacity of its PCBs to 5,000 sets per month effective Oct. 1. Hataya estimates that by April 1991, production of the PCB boards will double to 10,000 sets per month.

The expansion in production equipment and capabilities is part of the company's ongoing corporate strategy of increased domestic manufacturing capabilities.

In April, the company announced a $9 million investment for leasehold improvements and start-up costs to initiate surface mounting of PCBs for use in TAIS business-related products. The PCB is a fundamental part of a laptop computer, integrating semiconductors and other electronic components on a single board.

The company initially began production of its PCBs in April at 1,000 sets per month and laptops in August 1987 at 5,000 per month.

To meet the specific needs of the American marketplace, the company has also expanded research and development activities at its Irvine headquarters where product innovations are being conceived that increasingly reflect U.S. market thinking and demands.

By integrating TAIS' innately American, market-driven approach to product development with the technological expertise of the company's parent, Toshiba Corp., TAIS is hoping to exceed $1 billion in sales in 1990, according to Hataya.

With headquarters in Irvine and 1989 sales exceeding $900 million, TAIS manufactures and markets a wide range of business and information-oriented products in the United States. The current product mix currently manufactured in the United States includes laptop and desktop computers, plain paper copiers, facsimile systems, electronic key telephones and PBX systems and cellular mobile phones.

Toner and developer products for copying systems are manufactured at the company's Mitchell, S.D., plant. TAIS also markets printers and disk drives.

TAIS is an independent operating company, owned by Toshiba America Inc., a subsidiary of the $29 billion Toshiba Corp., world leader in high-technology products with 71 major subsidiaries worldwide.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Oryx Energy Co. has announced that it filed a registration statement today with the Securities and Exchange Commission for an offering of 7,259,394 shares of common stock.

All of the common stock is being offered by certain Charitable Trusts, including the Pew Memorial Trust, for which The Glenmede Trust Co. acts as trustee. The shares subject to the offering are the underlying common shares of the convertible preference stock given by the company as part of the recently announced transaction with Glenmede involving the repurchase of 25,259,394 of the company's common stock.

Of the total, 5,809,394 of the shares will be offered in the United States and Canada, and 1,450,000 will be offered internationally. The offering will be made through underwriters led by Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc. and Morgan Stanley International.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Trimble Navigation Ltd. of Sunnyvale Calif., which became a publicly held company in July, is pleased to announce the new position of vice president of sales and marketing.

Ron P. Haley, former president and chief executive officer of Tolerant Systems/Tolerant Software joined Trimble on Sept. 4.

Haley has had extensive field and home office experience with Prime Computer during its rapid growth period from 1978 through 1988 in successively responsible sales and marketing roles. This experience ideally qualifies him to lead Trimble's sales and marketing efforts through its next critical growth phase.

Trimble is the world leader in the emerging commercial market for satellite-based navigation and position data products using the U.S. Government-funded Global Positioning System. Trimble designs, manufactures and markets electronic instruments for determining precise geograpic location.

These products are sold in a variety of markets including survey and mapping, GIS, marine, aviation, vehicle tracking, military applications and differential GPS systems.

The company, founded in 1978 and locted in the heart of Silicon Valley, Calif. has been selling GPS to the world market since 1984.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Trimble Navigation Ltd. Wednesday announced that it had received contracts for the delivery of ''Trimpack'' hand-held GPS receivers, totaling over $7 million, from various agencies of the U.S. Government.

This is a follow-on of a $4 million contract which was awarded in July 1989 and completed in March 1990. It is anticipated that the majority of the products under the new contracts will be delivered during the company's fourth quarter ended Dec. 31.

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PALO ALTO, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Watkins-Johnson Co. (NYSE:WJ) announced Wednesday that it has been awarded a contract valued at $12.3 million by Hughes Aircraft Co., Missile Systems Group, Tucson, Ariz.

Under the contract, W-J will deliver radio-frequency processors and data-link receivers for Lot IV of the AIM-120 Advanced Medium-Range Air-to-Air Missile (AMRAAM).

Watkins-Johnson is a diversified corporation specializing in defense-electronics manufacturing, commercial-equipment production and environmental-consulting services, with annual sales of approximately $300 million.

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HAYWARD, Calif. (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Larry Harikian M.D., president and chief executive officer of Occupational Medical Corporation of America Inc. (NASDAQ:OMCA) Wednesday announced the operating results for the fourth quarter and year ended June 30.

Fourth quarter results are an after-tax loss of $72,221 or 3 cents per share compared with an after-tax profit of $452,689 or 18 cents per share for the corresponding quarter of fiscal year 1989. Fourth quarter loss from continuing operation was $8,469 vs. income of $452,689 for fiscal year 1989. Earnings and loss per share are based on the average number of shares outstanding of 2,519,550 shares.

OMCOA also announced the closing of CHx, its medical bill review company. Due to uncertainties in the market caused by current and impending lawsuits filed against other review companies and a longer than expected start-up period, OMCOA has decided to close CHx. The closing of CHx resulted in a loss from discontinued operations net of tax effect of

$47,616 and a loss from disposal of discontinued operations net of tax effect of $41,489.

Year end results are an after-tax profit of $135,340 or 5 cents per share compared with an after-tax profit of $1,452,519 or 58 cents per share for fiscal year 1989. Income from continuing operation was $224,445 vs. $1,452,519. Loss from discontinued operation (CHx) net of tax was $47,616. Loss from disposal of discontinued operations totaled $41,489. Earnings and loss per share are based on the average number of shares outstanding of 2,519,550 shares.

Revenues for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 were $1,647,048 compared with $1,959,875 for the corresponding quarter of fiscal 1989. Revenues for the year ended June 30 were $6,521,063 compared with $7,207,045 for the year ended June 30, 1989. The aftermath of the Oct. 17 earthquake and the absence of an orthopedist for the second half of the year account for a substantial portion of the reduction in the Bay Area Clinics. An orthopedist was hired in July 1990.

Expenses for the quarter ended June 30 were $1,617,331 compared with $1,415,886 for the corresponding quarter in fiscal year 1989. Expenses for the year ended June 30 were $5,998,377 compared to $5,424,526 for the year ended June 30, 1989. Lawsuit settlement losses amounted to $56,821 for the fourth quarter and $138,241 for the year ended June 30.

OMCOA operates 8 occupational medical centers and three rehabilitation centers in the state of California, Oregon and Washington.

OMCOA
Financial Results

Earnings Digest
Fourth Quarter Comparison

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Revenues	$1,647,048	$1,959,875
Expenses	1,617,331	1,415,886
Lawsuit settlement losses	56,821	
Profit (loss) from continuing operations	(27,104)	543,989
Income tax (benefit)	(18,635)	91,300
Profit (loss) after taxes from continuing operations	(8,469)	452,689
Loss from discontinued operations	22,263	0
Loss from disposal of discontinued operations	41,489	0

Net income	$(72,221)	$452,689
Shares outstanding	2,519,550	2,519,550
E.P.S. from continuing operations	0 cents	18 cents
E.P.S.	(3 cents)	18 cents

Earnings Digest
Year to Date Comparison

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Revenues	$6,521,063	$7,207,045
Expenses	5,998,377	5,424,526
Lawsuit settlement losses	138,241	
Profit (loss) from continuing operations	384,445	1,782,519
Income tax (benefit)	160,000	330,000
Profit (loss) after taxes from continuing operations	224,445	1,452,519
Loss from discontinued operations	47,616	0
Loss from disposal of discontinued operations	41,489	0
Net income	$135,340	$1,452,519
Shares outstanding	2,519,550	2,519,550
E.P.S. from continuing operations	9 cents	58 cents
E.P.S.	5 cents	58 cents T

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Software Publishing Corp. Wednesday announced its intention to enter into a co-development agreement with Micro Decisionware Inc. of Boulder, Colo.

The two companies intend to collaborate to develop connectivity products that will work in conjunction with Software Publishing's recently announced InfoAlliance product and Micro Decisionware's Database Gateway product.

Using Micro Decisionware's gateway technology, the co-developed products will provide InfoAlliance users with access to data located on IBM and other mini and mainframe computers.

Kevin Conway, vice president and general manager of Software Publishing Corp.'s information access division, said, ''With InfoAlliance, we're

addressing the problem of data accessibility. Micro Decisionware has the technology and expertise to help us link InfoAlliance users to critical data sources located on mini and mainframe systems.''

Said John Quinlan, president of Micro Decisionware, ''Software Publishing has taken an important step toward connecting users with the data they need. We believe that together we can take the next step and link organizations with an even wider range of data sources.''

The first product in the new PC software category of datasource integration, InfoAlliance leverages OS/2 PM technology and client/server processing to enable PC users on a network to access and manipulate data from various sources throughout the organization. InfoAlliance integrates data through a graphical information interface and includes an application generator.

As part of the co-development agreement, Software Publishing and Micro Decisionware plan to share in training, marketing, sales and support activities for the jointly developed products.

Software Publishing Corp., one of the original personal computer software companies, is a leading international supplier of business productivity software for the IBM Personal Computer and compatibles. The company currently develops and markets a wide range of decision-critical software for accessing and presenting information, including the market-leading Professional and Harvard series and the recently introduced InfoAlliance products.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Ramtek Corp. Wednesday announced that its net revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30 were $17,600,000 as compared to $19,271,000 (including $3,100,000 for non-recurring sales of technology) for fiscal year 1989.

The company reported a loss before extraordinary credit of $444,000, or 10 cents per share, for fiscal year 1990 as compared to a loss of $180,000, or 5 cents, for fiscal year 1989.

Net income was $11,647,000, or $2.68 per share, which included an extraordinary item of $12,091,000, or $2.78 per share, related to a gain from the company's emergence from Chapter 11. The company had net income of $217,000, or 5 cents per share, which included an extraordinary item related to the utilization of a net operating loss carry forward of

$397,000, or 10 cents per share, for fiscal year 1989.

Jim Swanson, president, said: ''Fiscal year 1990 was a year of significant milestones for Ramtek as it emerged from Chapter 11 and introduced its new product, the Millennium.

The Millennium product is a high resolution, high performance system designed to provide UNIX-based workstations with powerful image processing capability for remote sensing, geophysical, medical and other image processing applications. Excluding the sale of technology, the company's revenues from products and services increased 9 percent between fiscal years 1990 and 1989.

Ramtek Corp., headquartered in San Jose, designs and manufactures high-performance imaging and graphics display systems and peripherals.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Setting aside protests initiated by unsuccessful bidders, the state of California has authorized the award of the first major statewide fingerprinting equipment contract to Identix Inc. (NASDAQ:IDXX) of Sunnyvale.

The action follows an ''intent to award'' announcement by the state's Department of Justice on June 28.

The CAL-ID Live-Scan equipment contract, which is the largest fingerprinting equipment contract ever awarded, calls for Identix to provide up to 600 of its TouchPrint fingerprint scanning systems to California state, county and city law enforcement authorities. The state will pay the majority of costs for cities and counties that install the machines.

''California has always been a leader in applying high-tech solutions to law enforcement problems,'' commented Fred Wynbrandt, California assistant director of the Division of Law Enforcement. ''The installation of the TouchPrint system will significantly enhance our ability to more quickly and accurately identify suspect individuals' fingerprints on a statewide basis.''

The TouchPrint system allows law enforcement authorities to electronically scan and print fingerprints at the point of booking. Simultaneously, the fingerprints can be transmitted over telephone lines to a computer system for identification matching in a fraction of the time it currently takes

through manual processing.

According to Identix President Randy Fowler, the contract is expected to contribute up to $40 million to Identix revenues over the next five years. ''The contract is significant not only to Identix but to the industry overall,'' said Fowler. ''It confirms that this technology provides real solutions to law enforcement problems.''

The first TouchPrint systems are scheduled to be installed in next month in Sacramento and Los Angeles County.

Fowler added: ''California is often on the leading edge, so we expect that other states will be issuing requests for proposals for similar applications over the next few years.''

Identix Inc., located in Sunnyvale, designs, manufactures and markets a family of identity verification systems that combine high accuracy with user friendliness.

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PURCHASE, N.Y. (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - John A. Georges, chairman and chief executive officer of International Paper, Wednesday announced the appointment of three vice presidents.

Newland A. Lesko was named vice president - coated papers, Paul T. Stecko was named vice president - manufacturing, Hammermill and pulp divisions and David A. Bailey was named staff vice president and director - quality management.

Lesko joined International Paper in 1967 and has held several positions in the company's coated papers business, including mill manager of the Androscoggin mill near Jay, Maine.

He most recently served as staff vice president and director - quality management.

In his new position, Lesko is repsonsible for the coated papers business marketing and manufacturing activities.

His responsibilities include operations at the Androscoggin mill and the

Hudson River mill in Corinth, N.Y. as well as coated paper operations at the Pine Bluff mill in Pine Bluff, Ark.

He will report to Dana G. Mead, executive vice president - pulp and paper businesses.

Stecko joined International Paper in 1977 and has held positions in the company's procurement operations and white papers business, including manager of the company's Ticonderoga mill in Ticonderoga, N.Y. He most recently served as manufacturing manager - Hammermill division.

In his new position, Stecko will continue to be responsible for manufacturing operations at the Erie mill in Erie, Pa., the Lock Haven mill in Lock Haven, Pa., the Oswego mill in Oswego, N.Y., and the Riverdale mill near Selma, Ala. He will continue to report on those duties to Jeffrey F. Kass, vice president - Hammermill division.

International Paper, headquartered in Purchase, is a worldwide producer of paper and forest products. The company is a major producer of wood pulp, printing and writing papers, paperboard and packaging products, and wood products.

The company also operates specialty products businesses and distributes paper and wood products. International Paper has manufacturing operations in 22 countries and exports its products from the United States to more than 100 nations.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - California Beach Restaurants (NASDAQ:CALB) reported its first quarterly results since changing its name from IHV and its acquisition of several major California restaurants.

The company recently announced the acquisition of Gladstone's 4 Fish and R.J.'s the Rib Joint as the first step in the development of a series of Southern California waterfront restaurants. Robert Morris, founder, and Richard Stevens completed the purchase after acquiring control of IHV, a small public company, in June of 1989.

Revenues for the quarter ending July 31, 1990, were $5,723,631 compared with $464,710 for the prior year. Income from operations increased to $697,267 from $148,114. Net income for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, was $73,594 vs. $111,153. Increased interest expense, amortization of

goodwill and and covenant not to compete, income taxes and start-up costs impacted the net earnings.

California Beach Restaurants has entered into an amended letter of intent with Grand American Inc. (''Grand American'') to acquire a subsidiary of Grand American which owns the leasehold for a restaurant to be built on the waterfront in Santa Monica, Calif.; and a management contract to manage a restaurant in Marina del Rey, Calif.; as well as options to acquire five restaurants owned by Grand American or its affiliates at various locations in California.

The purchase price for this subsidiary is $1 million which the company will pay by way of issuing its seven-year subordinated convertible debentures bearing interest at the rate of 10 percent per annum and convertible into the Registrant's common stock at $1.50 per share.

If this transaction is consummated, California Beach Restaurants would be required to expend approximately $1 million to furnish, equip and open the Marina del Rey and Santa Monica Pier restaurants, which amount would probably be expended during the current fiscal year. It is anticipated that this amount would be borrowed from the company's current lender.

The company also set Oct. 9 at 10 a.m. for its annual meeting to be held at Gladstone's 4 Fish located on the Pacific Ocean at the western termination of Sunset Boulevard. Gladstone's, the largest volume independent restaurant in California, anticipates record gross income in fiscal year 1991, according to a company spokesperson.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Richard Stevens, president, California Beach Restaurants, 17351 Sunset Boulevard No. 404, Pacific Palisades, Calif. 90272, 213/459-9676.

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LENEXA, KS (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Syntro Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:SYNT) announced Wednesday that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has issued an official notice of allowance for a patent on PRV/Marker, a novel veterinary vaccine manufactured and marketed by Syntro's animal health subsidiary, SyntroVet Inc.

PRV/Marker provides a unique combination of efficacy, safety and diagnostic features to combat pseudorabies, a serious and economically important disease of swine.

''Since its introduction in 1988, PRV/Marker has captured a significant market share,'' said Dr. J. Donald Todd, Syntro's president and chief executive officer. ''The patent underscores both the product's uniqueness and Syntro's ability to apply our advanced technology to the marketplace.''

Todd added that it is extremely rare for a veterinary vaccine to benefit from strong patent protection.

This will be the second patent resulting from Syntro's success in custom designing pseudorabies vaccines, and several additional patent applications are pending. Syntro's first patent dealt with the elimination of disease-inducing genes from wild-type pseudorabies viruses as a means of developing safe and effective vaccines.

PRV/Marker was the subject of a recently resolved patent dispute involving Syntro, SyntroVet and The Upjohn Co. In March 1989, Upjohn filed suit against Syntro and later against SyntroVet claiming that PRV/Marker infringed an Upjohn patent relating to a virus with a gene deletion.

Upjohn and Syntro announced in August that they had agreed to settle their dispute by cross-licensing each other under their respective patents related to pseudorabies vaccines under terms described by Syntro as positive for the company.

Syntro Corp., founded in 1981, is a Lenexa and San Diego-based biotechnology company engaged in the development and commercialization of technology in the health sector. SyntroVet, a wholly owned animal health subsidiary of Syntro, was established in 1985 to manufacture and market products resulting from Syntro's research program.

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ALBANY, NY (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - At the Sept. 11 meeting, the board of directors of National Savings Bank of Albany declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 30 cents per common share.

The dividend is payable on Oct. 15 to shareholders of record Oct. 1.

National Savings Bank of Albany is an FDIC insured regional savings bank with 8 offices serving northeastern New York from the Capital District to the Canadian border. The stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol NSBA.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - United Asset Management Corp. (UAM) announced Wednesday that it has completed the previously announced acquisition of Newbold's Asset Management Inc., a subsidiary of Provident Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Philadelphia.

Newbold's Asset Management manages approximately $4.4 billion in equity accounts for retirement plans, endowments, mutual funds and individuals. Newbold's Asset Management adhers to an investment philosophy that emphasizes low valuations relative to both the market and current earnings with strict selling disciplines.

Newbold's Asset Management will continue to operate under its own name and with its own investment philosophy, and will maintain its business independence in keeping with UAM's long-standing policy with regard to its affiliates.

Provident Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Philadelphia and its subsidiaries market a variety of life insurance and financial products to both individuals and organizations. The company has consistently earned a rating of ''A+'' (Superior) from A.M. Best Co., Inc., an independent insurance rating authority. Newbold's Asset Management will continue to serve as the investment adviser for several Provident Mutual accounts.

United Asset Management Corp. provides investment management services, primarily to institutional clients, through 24 operating firms which manage approximately $41 billion for 3,700 clients located throughout the United States and abroad.

UAM is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol: UAM.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Harlyn Products Inc. (AMEX:HRN) Wedensday announced record sales and earnings for the fiscal year ended June 30.

Sales rose to $31,303,000 from $24,787,000 for fiscal 1989. Net income was $1,919,000 or 51 cents per share, up sharply from the $1,460,000, or 40 cents per share, reported for fiscal 1989.

Commenting on these substantial gains, Harold Weisbrod, chairman, stated, ''The implementation of our agressive growth strategy has been realized with the extremely satisfying record results achieved during the latest fiscal year. We have continued to expand our market size and penetration.

''This trend continues, giving us every confidence that the current fiscal year will again produce substantial growth in sales and earnings,'' Weisbrod concluded.

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NORTH STONINGTON, CONN. (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Analysis & Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:AATI), which specializes in submarine and antisubmarine warfare (ASW) professional and technical services, won over $10.9 million in contracts and contract enlargements during August, 1990, A. T. Mollegen Jr., president and chief executive officer announced Wednesday.

The company's total contractual backlog at the end of August stood at approximately $299 million, about 8 percent above the $277.0 million at Aug. 31, 1989.

A $2.5 million ceiling increase and seven-month contract extension was awarded by the Naval Regional Contracting Center. This award extends A&T's support to the Trident Command and Control System Maintenance Activity in Newport, R.I. for engineering and technical services in support of performance evaluation, fleet site support, and system problem resolution support.

A $2.0 million contract ceiling increase was awarded by the Naval Underwater Systems Center (NUSC). This award extends A&T's support of

systems analysis and systems engineering for ASW systems or subsystems.

NUSC also awarded A&T a $1.0 million contract ceiling increase and six-month extension for technical and analytical support for surface ship sonar signal processing.

In addition, A&T received a variety of subcontracts, smaller awards, and add-ons during August. These total $5.4 million and extend for periods up to four years.

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SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Carl Thompson Associates has been retained by Xsirius Superconductivity Inc. (NASDAQ:XSCIA) to implement a national investor relations program.

Highlights of Xsirius Superconductivity include:

- Xsirius Superconductivity is one of the first publicly held companies devoted exclusively to the commercial development of superconductivity technology.

- Superconductivity technology has wide commercial potential in areas such as power generation and transmission, microwave communications, transportation, medicine and computers.

- Xsirius Superconductivity recently licensed a patent from MIT that presents the company with significant joint venture and licensing opportunities with major technology companies.

- The company is finalizing R&D agreements with Los Alamos National Laboratory to explore commercialization of superconductors in power generation, storage and transmission.

- Xsirius Superconductivity's strategy is to utilize the marketing, engineering and manufacturing efficiencies of joint venture partners, thus enabling the company to maintain its intense focus on leading edge research and on commercializing its product development.

- The company's Israel-based subsidiary recently entered into a joint development agreement with a major Israeli company to develop and produce advanced superconducting microwave components for aerospace and other commercial telecommunications applications.

- Xsirius Superconductivity is debt free.

Carl Thompson Associates is currently arranging meetings with management nationwide. If you are interested in learning more about Xsirius Superconductivity, call Joseph Diaz Jr. with your questions.

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FREMONT, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - DSP Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: DSPT DSPTU) announced Wednesday that it received a $53,000 initial order from a West German car manufacturer for the company's combustion analysis system.

The product will be used by the manufacturer for combustion testing, analysis and development of engine powerplants for the future.

F. Gil Troutman, president of DSP Technology, said, ''We believe this initial order will help this car maker, a leader in the application of technology to the development of automotive powertrains, to speed their development efforts.''

Troutman said that depending upon configuration, DSPT's advanced combustion analysis systems sell for $40,000 to $150,000. He added that during the past several months, the company has delivered over $230,000 of these systems to other European automotive manufacturers.

DSP Technology Inc. designs, manufactures and markets data acquisition systems which enable its customers to capture data from occurrences lasting from millionths of a second to several days.

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SANTA ANA, CALIF. (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - B/E Avionics Inc. (NASDAQ:BEAV) Wednesday announced record results for its fiscal year and fourth quarter ended July 29.

For the 12-month period, BEA posted its highest revenues ever reaching $22,944,000, a gain of 36 percent vs. the 1989 full year pro forma combined level of $16,900,000. The company acquired the Avionics Division of EECO, Incorporated in August 1989. For year-to-year comparability, the 1990 actual results have been compared with 1989 pro forma operations, which assume that this acquisition had occurred on August 1, 1988.

Fiscal year 1990 operating earnings of $4,889,000 advanced to a new record while reversing the $86,000 pro forma combined loss for 1989. Net income and earnings per share in fiscal 1990, after extraordinary charges, were $1,590,000 and 29 cents vs. losses of $2,415,000 and 50 cents in 1989.

The excellent gains reflected the strong revenue growth and a substantial increase in gross margin during 1990 to 50 percent vs. the prior year's 37 percent.

As of July 29, 1990, BEA's stockholders' equity reached $16,193,000 compared with the 1989 fiscal year-ending level of $2,331,000. Average 1990 and 1989 shares outstanding were 5,425,000 and 4,813,000, respectively.

Fourth quarter revenues for 1990 were $5,456,000, ahead by 22 percent vs. the 1989 pro forma combined level of $4,464,000. Fourth quarter 1990 operating earnings rose to $994,000 vs. a $91,000 operating loss in 1989. The gains again are due primarily to both the strong revenue growth and a substantial increase in gross margin from 33 percent in 1989 to 51 percent in 1990.

Fourth quarter net income and earnings per share of $54,000 and one cent in 1990 after the extraordinary charges associated with prepayment of all of the company's institutional debt were up from losses of $645,000 and 13 cents in the 1989 final quarter.

As previously announced while fourth quarter earnings were positively affected by the elimination of interest expense, the company recorded a one-time, extraordinary charge in the quarter equal to $723,000 (after taxes), or 14 cents per share on a fiscal year basis. The charge related to the prepayment at face value of all the company's institutional debt, which had been booked with an original issue discount. Proceeds from BEA's initial public offering of common stock in April were used early in the fourth quarter for the debt retirement.

''We are extremely pleased with our full year results. They are in line with our own aggressive expectations and keep us well on target to achieve our growth objectives,'' said BEA chairman and chief executive officer Amin J. Khoury.

''In 1990, we strategically positioned ourselves for the future with our

EECO acquisition, our IPO and our debt elimination. The company's financial position is solid. Our installed base representing over 4,000 planes -- by far the industry's largest -- rose to $81 million during the year and represents a 70 percent share of all PCU installations.''

With more than 150 commercial airline customers, B/E Avionics Inc. is the world's leading supplier of passenger control units for in-plane audio and video entertainment and service systems.

BE Avionics Inc.
Financial Highlights
(unaudited)
($000, except per share)

	Three Months Ended		
	July 31, 1989	July 31, 1989	
	July 29, 1990	pro forma combined	actual 1989
Net sales	$5,456	$4,464	$1,064
Cost of sales	2,693	2,980	769
Gross profit	2,763	1,484	295
Operating expenses:			
selling, general and administrative	951	885	335
Research and development	540	331	36
Total operating expenses	1,491	1,216	371
Operating earnings before amortization	1,272	268	(76)
Amortization	278	359	158
Operating earnings	994	(91)	(234)
Interest expense	3	554	111
Earnings (loss) before income taxes and extraordinary item	991	(645)	(345)
Income taxes (estimated for 1990)	214	----	----
Earnings (loss) before extraordinary item	$777	$(645)	$(345)
Extraordinary loss on early extinguishment of debt, net of income taxes of $373	723	----	----
Net earnings (loss)	$ 54	$(645)	$(345)
Per common share:			
Earnings (loss) before extraordinary item	$.11	$(.13)	$(.07)
Net earnings (loss)	$.01	$(.13)	$(.07)
Average shares outstanding (000)	7,321	4,813	4,813

	Fiscal Year Ended		
	July 31, 1989	July 31, 1989	
	July 29, 1990	pro forma combined	actual 1989
Net sales	$22,944	$16,900	$4,127
Cost of sales	11,375	10,628	2,568
Gross profit	11,569	6,272	1,559
Operating expenses:			
selling, general and administrative	3,425	3,304	1,004
Research and development	1,952	1,684	272

Total operating expenses 5,377 4,988 1,276
Operating earnings before amortization 6,192 1,284 283
Amortization 1,303 1,370 566
Operating earnings 4,889 (86) (283)
Interest expense 1,564 2,329 354 Earnings (loss) before
income taxes and extraordinary item 3,325 (2,415) (637)
Income taxes (estimated for 1990) 1,012 ---- ----
Earnings (loss) before extraordinary item $2,313 $(2,415) $(637)
Extraordinary loss on early extinguishment of debt, net of income
taxes of $373 723 ---- ----
Net earnings (loss) $1,590 $(2,415) $(637) Per common share:
Earnings (loss) before extraordinary item $.43 $(.50) $(.13)
Net earnings (loss) $.29 $(.50) $(.13) Average shares
outstanding (000) 5,425 4,813 4,813

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MURFREESBORO, TN (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - National HealthCorp L.P. (ASE:NHC), one of the nation's largest providers of long-term health care, will pay a cash distribution of 30 cents per unit on Nov. 15.

The cash distribution will be paid to unitholders of record on Sept. 28.

NHC, a publicly traded limited partnership now operates 73 long-term health care centers with a total of 8,767 beds. The company's other services for the nation's elderly include Alzheimer's units, homecare programs and retirement apartments.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Dun & Bradstreet Corp. announced Wednesday that it has signed an agreement with Goskomstat, the State Committee on Statistics of the USSR, to market data on Soviet businesses to firms in the West.

''The information made available by this agreement will help Western firms to evaluate emerging business opportunities in the Soviet Union,'' said Charles W. Moritz, chairman and chief executive officer of The Dun & Bradstreet Corp.. ''We're delighted to be able to offer directory and trade data on Soviet businesses as part of the expanding global

information resources of Dun & Bradstreet.''

James E. Rutter, executive vice president responsible for D&B's worldwide Business Information Group, added, ''We're pleased that this agreement has been successfully concluded, during this period of dramatic transition in the USSR.''

Discussions between D&B and Goskomstat were initiated in early 1988 by Joseph W. Duncan, vice president, corporate economist and chief statistician for D&B. Duncan also negotiated the final agreement for D&B. The formal contract is with the Information & Publishing Center of Goskomstat.

The information to be published by D&B will be offered in four directories. The Directory of Operational Joint Ventures will include the names and addresses of all operational joint ventures, in both Russian and English. Information on the types of activities in which the firms are engaged also will be provided, as defined by standard statistical classifications. Data on the scale of each activity will be defined by such measures as employment, assets and/or export sales.

The Directory of the Largest 500 Machinery Enterprises in the USSR will be a general directory of the 500 largest Soviet manufacturing businesses, with data on names and addresses in both Russian and English, standard classification codes on their activities, and characterizations of scale based on employment, assets, and/or sales.

The Directory of USSR Enterprises Involved in Export will provide the names and addresses of Soviet export enterprises, including data on the commodities, products or services exported, as well as the volume of exports when available.

Finally, D&B will publish USSR Import and Export Trade Statistics, a reference publication containing annual historical Soviet import and export trade statistics for 1988, 1989 and 1990, and quarterly data for 1991 forward.

The data will be provided in a time series format, containing the export or import product code, the starting date of the time series, an indication of whether the data are price- level data or ratio data, the price date of the currency on which the data are issued and the data themselves. In addition, for each import and export product code provided the English name, followed by a description in English of the import and export data, are included.

Publication of the directories will commence in the fourth quarter of 1990.

The Dun & Bradstreet Corp. is the world's largest marketer of business

information and related services, with worldwide operating revenue of $4.3 billion in 1989.

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ROCKY HILL, CT (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Ames Department Stores Inc. (NYSE:ADD), Wednesday reported a loss of $152.5 million, or $4.15 per share, including non-recurring charges of $73.1 million for the second quarter ended July 28.

For last year's second quarter, the loss was $11.1 million, or 38 cents per share.

Ames said the loss for the quarter, before non-recurring charges, was $79.4 million which was significantly less than the company's earlier expectations.

The non-recurring charges primarily consisted of non-cash provisions including: $40 million for the estimated adjustment of pre-petition accounts payable amounts during the bankruptcy claims filing process; a $20 million additional reserve for inventory markdowns anticipated in connection with previously announced special promotions; and a $9.1 million write off of certain management information systems installed as part of the Zayre stores consolidation and deemed no longer beneficial.

Ames reported total sales for the quarter of $563.3 million, a 33 percent decline from last year's adjusted total. The 1989 adjusted sales, excluding sales from 221 stores closed during this year's second quarter, totalled $852 million.

Stephen L. Pistner, Ames' chief executive officer, said, ''We began the second quarter with a poor in-stock position on seasonal merchandise and had suspended circular advertising. However, the $79.4 million loss before non-recurring charges, was significantly less than we had anticipated because of better-than-expected summer clearance sales.

''We essentially restarted the business during the quarter. Our most important priorities were to restore the flow of merchandise to our stores and to resume our advertising program,'' he said. ''We achieved both by the end of the quarter.''

Ames resumed weekly circulars July 29, Pistner said, because of dramatically improved stock positions and vendor shipments.

Ames filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code

April 25. The company sought court protection to restructure its business and finances. Ames operates 461 discount department stores in 17 Northeastern states.

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STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Pitney Bowes Inc. today announced the election of Michael J. Critelli as vice president, secretary and general counsel, and chief personnel officer.

As a corporate officer and member of the corporate management committee, Critelli will retain his responsibilities for the company's legal affairs, and corporate safety and environmental affairs. He assumes additional responsibilities for corporate-wide employee relations policies, wage and salary policies, benefits programs, and personnel development.

Critelli joined Pitney Bowes in May 1979 as counsel. He was promoted in 1983 to senior counsel, in 1984 to assistant general counsel, in 1986 to associate general counsel, and in July 1988 to vice president, secretary and general counsel. Critelli graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1970 with a B.A. in communications and political science and from the Harvard Law School with a J.D., cum laude, in 1974. Critelli currently resides in New York City.

Pitney Bowes is a $2.9 billion multinational manufacturing and marketing company which provides mailing, shipping, dictating, copying, and facsimile systems; item identification and tracking systems and supplie; mailroom, reprographics and related services; and product financing.

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NATCHEZ, MISS. (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Callon Consolidated Partners L.P. (NASDAQ/NMS:CCLPZ) announced Wednesday that at a special meeting of voting unitholders held on Sept. 10, 1990, an amendment to its partnership agreement revising the investment objectives and policies of the partnership was adopted by a majority of its voting unitholders.

Approximately 87 percent of the units voted were in favor of the

amendment. The amendment to the partnership agreement became effective Sept. 10, 1990.

As a result of the amendment, the business and purpose of the partnership will be expanded to allow the acquisition of oil and gas properties for cash, supplemented by borrowings, and the drilling of development type wells, thereby changing the character of the partnership from a depleting entity to an ongoing operation engaged in the acquisition, development and production of oil and gas properties.

Based on current levels of the partnership's cash flow, the expected annual budget for such activities is $3.5 million.

Callon Petroleum Co., the general partner of the partnership, is actively engaged in the acquisition of producing oil and gas properties for its own account and on behalf of institutional investors. It is anticipated that the partnership will participate in some of such future acquisitions. In addition to acquiring producing properties, the partnership will actively seek development drilling opportunities.

As of Dec. 31, 1989, the partnership's oil and gas reserves were estimated at 2.8 million barrels of oil and 8.6 billion cubic feet of natural gas. Using prices in effect at that time ($20 per barrel of oil and $1.52 per thousand cubic feet of natural gas), the estimated present value (using a 10 percent discount factor) of future cash flow from such reserves was $30 million.

The partnership has made cash distributions during every quarter since its formation in April 1987. An aggregate of $19 million has been distributed to unitholders. The partnership's latest quarterly distribution of 15 cents per unit was paid on Aug. 31, 1990.

The partnership produces oil and natural gas from domestic onshore properties located primarily in the Gulf Coast region. The partnership's 5.9 million depositary receipts for units of limited partnership interest trade on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CCLPZ.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Qintex Entertainment Inc. (QEI) (NASDAQ:QNTXQ) Wednesday reported court approval of the sale of the company's entertainment assets to RHI Entertainment Inc. for approximately $42.4 million and the assumption of certain obligations of QEI.

The sale includes the QEI library, accounts receivable, development projects and substantially all other programming assets.

The entertainment assets sale to RHI is subject to obtaining further bankruptcy court orders approving the transfer of contracts and other rights of QEI. The company believes that these approvals can be obtained prior to the end of October 1990. The purchase price is subject to final adjustments at closing.

The company has earlier reported court approval for the sale of QEI's interest in HR Broadcasting Inc. (HRBC). HRBC owns two television stations that are being sold to ABRY Communications for over $40 million, of which QEI will receive approximately $20 million for its interests. The ABRY transaction is scheduled to close following transfer of FCC licenses, which is expected to occur in November 1990.

The assets sales were approved in U.S. Bankruptcy Court by Judge Lisa Fenning. Qintex filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in October 1989.

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CINCINNATI (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The United States Shoe Corp. (NYSE:USR) Wednesday announced that its board of directors has voted to expand the number of directors from 11 to 14, and has elected Charles S. Mechem Jr., Phyllis S. Sewell and Thomas Laco to the new positions.

Mechem, age 60, retired in May as chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the Great American Broadcasting Co. (formerly Taft Broadcasting Co.). He continues to serve as a director and as chairman of the company's executive committee. Mechem has returned in an of counsel capacity to the firm of Taft, Stettinius and Hollister, where he was a partner prior to joining Taft Braodcasting in 1967.

Mechem currently serves as a director of Star Bank N.A., Star Banc Corp., Eagle-Picher Industries Inc., Mead Corp., J.M. Smucker Co. and Ohio National Life Insurance Co. Mechem is a graduate of Miami University and of Yale Law School. He also has been prominent in local civic and cultural organizations, including service as president of the Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, co-chairman of the Cincinnati Business Committee and trustee of the Cincinnati Art Museum and Museum of Natural History.

Sewell, age 59, retired in 1988 as senior vice president of Federated

Department Stores, where she was responsible for research, planning and management information systems. She currently serves as a director of Pitney Bowes Inc. and Lee Enterprises Inc. She is a graduate of Wellesley College. Sewell's many contributions to the Cincinnati community include service as a trustee of the United Way and Community Chest, the Jewish Federation, the Jewish Vocational Service and the Cincinnati Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Laco, age 61, retired in 1989 as vice chairman and a director of the Procter & Gamble Co., where he ws employed for 35 years. He currently serves as a director of Atkins and Pearce Co. and U.S. Playing Card Co. He is a graduate of the University of Missouri. Laco's civic activities include service on the boards of The Christ Hospital and the Queen City Club, and co-chairman of Cincinnati's Year 2000 Plan Review Committee.

''With the election of Mr. Mechem, Mrs. Sewell and Mr. Laco, we have added significant depth of management and experience in consumer industries to the overall management of U.S. Shoe,'' said Bannus B. Hudson, president and chief executive officer. ''These individuals will complement our directors by contributing additional expertise in management, marketing and strategic planning within major corporations.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Inc. (NYSE:AR) Wednesday announced a four-cent increase in the domestic spot selling price of electrolytic copper.

Its new price, which is effective immediately, is $1.42 per pound for cathodes on a delivered basis.

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SPARTANBURG, SC (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - TW Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ:TWFS) announced Wednesday that it is making two prepayments totaling $70 million on senior debt out of current cash flow, reflecting better-than-anticipated operating performance.

A prepayment of $40 million made today was applied ratably to four

quarterly prinicpal payments of Term A senior debt scheduled to begin Dec. 1, 1990. The remaining $30 million, expected to be paid on Sept. 13, will be used to reduce the bridge portion of the senior bank loan to $267.5 million. Proceeds from planned asset sales and real estate financings previously announced are scheduled to retire the balance by Dec. 1, 1990.

TW Services, which became a wholly owned subsidiary of TW Holdings on Dec. 6, 1989, is the fourth-largest food service company in the United States based on 1989 revenues of $3.5 billion.

The company is engaged in contract food and vending services, recreational services and restaurant operations through its Canteen, Hardee's, Quincy's Denny's and El Pollo Loco business units.

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BILLERICA, MA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Unitrode Corp. (NYSE:UTR), a manufacturer of electronic components and subsystems, Wednesday announced that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 2 million shares of its common stock from time to time in the open market or in private transactions.

Whether any such repurchases will be made, and the number of shares purchased, will depend upon the availability of shares at acceptable price levels. Unitrode is a manufacturer of superior quality electronic components and subsystems, including discrete semiconductors, power management integrated circuits, switching power supplies, and data conversion products.

Its products are sold throughout the world for a variety of defense/aerospace, industrial, computer/telecommunications, data processing, and consumer applications.

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STOUGHTON, MA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Bertram M. Lee, a businessman

with interests in sports, communications and finance, has been elected to the board of directors of Reebok International Ltd., it was announced Wednesday by Paul Fireman, chairman and CEO.

Lee's election expands Reebok's board to 10 members.

Lee, 51, is chairman of the board of BML Associates, a Boston holding company. His ownership interests and positions include chairman and treasurer of Albimar Management, which owns two radio stations in the east and midwest, including WKYS in Washington D.C.; chairman and treasurer of the Denver Nuggets National Basketball Association franchise; chairman of the Boston Chamber of Commerce; president of KELLEE Communications Group.

''We are delighted to have Bert Lee join the Reebok board,'' Fireman said. ''Bert and I met last spring when we accepted the assignment to host Nelson Mandela's visit to Boston. Together we helped to form a celebration and fund-raising activity that was truly a unique experience for Boston -- and indeed the New England community.

''Bert's dedication to human rights, his business acumen and entrepreneurial spirit fit well with Reebok, as we strive to build a company committed to making a difference,'' he said.

From 1978-86, Lee was president and member of the board of directors of New England Television Corp., parent company of Boston's WNET-TV (now WHDH-TV), which was the first minority-controlled CBS network affiliate. He was a member of the board of directors of Shawmut National Bank of Boston from 1984-89.

He is chairman of TransAfrica Forum, a leading anti-apartheid non-profit organization, and is a member of the board of directors of the Jackie Robinson Foundation; the Martin Luther King Center for Nonviolent Social Change; the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies; the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation; the National Association for Sickle Cell Disease and the Drew Child Development Corp.

A native of Norfolk, Va., Lee holds a BA in political science from North Central College, Naperville, Ill. He served in the U.S. Army 1963 - 1965. He is married to Laura Murphy Lee, has three children, and lives in Chicago.

Reebok International Ltd., headquartered in Stoughton, is the leading designer and marketer of active lifestyle and performance products, including footwear and apparel.

The company's operating units include the AVIA, Boston Whaler, Reebok, Rockport and Apparel Products (including the Ellesse sportswear brand) divisions. Sales for 1989 totaled $1,822 billion.

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LIBERTY CORNER, NJ (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Gary J. Norman has been promoted to vice president and business director, ''Paas'' Seasonal Products.

He was formerly vice president, OTC/Seasonal Sales. He is located here, site of the company's administrative headquarters.

Norman is responsible for sales, marketing, manufacturing and distribution for the ''Paas'' Seasonal Business, which includes Easter and Halloween products.

The resident of Rumson, N.J., joined the company in 1979. He holds a bachelor's degree in business and government from Ohio University in Athens, Ohio. Norman is a native of Chicago.

Schering-Plough HealthCare Products has some of the best known brands in North America, including the No. 1 family of suncare with ''Coppertone,'' ''Shade,'' ''Tropical Blend'' and ''Solarcaine'' brands; the No. 1 foot care line with ''Dr. Scholl's''; and such leading OTC products as ''Afrin'' and ''Duration'' nasal sprays; ''Coricidin'' and ''Drixoral'' cold and decongestant tablets; ''Correctol'' laxative; ''Chlor-Trimeton'' antihistamine; ''Lotrimin AF'' and ''Tinactin'' antifungals; and ''Paas'' holiday products.

Schering-Plough is a research-based company engaged primarily in the discovery, development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceutical and health care products worldwide.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - American Express Travel Related Services (NYSE:AXP) Wednesday announced that the company will place Airline Computerized Ticketing (ACT) electronic ticketing machines

(ETMs)in its prime corporate sites.

According to Joanne Stewart, chief executive officer of ACT, the move by American Express/Eastern Region makes the company the first to install the Orange County-based firm's revolutionary airline self-ticketing machines.

''American Express has always been at the forefront in developing sophisticated technology to assist our clients,'' said James Yasinski, vice president of business travel operations, Eastern Region. ''We have been testing this product since 1989 and we're delighted that the first installations on customer premises will take place within our Eastern Region,'' he said.

The ACT ETMs provide a computerized airline self-ticketing network that allows travellers to electronically receive airline tickets, boarding passes and itineraries in 25 seconds from anywhere in the country and to be able to make last-minute, trouble-free changes around the clock.

Commented Jim Thompson, vice president of facilities and automation, ''The ACT ETMs are a tool that move American Express into a whole new generation of customer-service technology.''

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Angela O'Mara or Benjamin Epstein, 714/760-1522

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Ehrlich Bober & Co. Inc. announced Wednesday that Dennis Cross, head of the firm's health and education finance group during the past two years, has been named manager of the firm's New York Public Finance Department.

Cross, a twenty-year industry veteran, joined Ehrlich Bober two years ago from Kidder Peabody where he was a member of their Health Finance Group.

Cross began his career with The First Boston Corp. where he headed their health finance efforts.

Burtt R. Ehrlich, chairman and chief executive officer of Ehrlich Bober, commented that ''We have given Dennis this assignment because as the business expands, we felt that we needed someone with industry experience and expertise to manage our New York operation.

Ehrlich Bober & Co. Inc. is the investment banking and broker/dealer subsidiary of Ehrlich Bober Financial Corp. and specializes in the origination, underwriting, trading and marketing of municipal securities.

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Neil S. Baritz, 212/856-4304

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BOSTON (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Boston Bancorp (NASDAQ:SBOS) announced Wednesday that its Board of Directors has authorized the Company to purchase up to an additional 600,000 shares of its outstanding commons stock under its current stock repurchase program.

Repurchases will be made from time to time over the next 12 months in open market or privately negotiated transactions based on then current market prices.

No shares will knowingly be purchased from directors or officers of the Company or from persons who hold in excess of 5 pct. of its outstanding shares.

In February 1990 the Board authorized the purchase of up to 300,000 shares of common stock, of which approximately 249,600 have been acquired to date.

Richard R. Laine, Chairman and CEO, stated, ''The Board of Directors continues to consider Boston Bancorp's stock to be an attractive investment. Our objective in increasing the number of shares sought in the repurchase program is to improve the overall return to our shareholders by increasing the earnings per share of those shares of Boston Bancorp stock that remain outstanding after the repurchases, as well as enhancing market value generally.''

Boston Bancorp, which presently has 6,821,922 shares of common stock outstanding, is the holding company for South Boston Savings Bank, a Massachusetts-chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank headquartered in South Boston, Massachusetts. On July 31, 1990, Boston Bancorp had total assets of $1.6 billion and stockholders' equity of $97.3 million. Boston Bancorp reported consolidated net income of $10.655 million for the nine months ended July 31, 1990.

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Morgen-Walke Associates, New York
Edward Nebb, 212/986-5900

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STATEN ISLAND, NY (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Gateway Bancorp Inc.

(NASDAQ:GBAN), the holding company for Gateway State Bank, Staten Island, announced Wednesday that at the September regular meeting of its board of directors the board declared a 15 cents per share cash dividend on its common stock payable on Oct. 9, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 2, 1990.

CONTACT: Gateway Bancorp Inc., Staten Island
Mark D. Curtis, 718/979-4000

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SHELTON, CT (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Shelton Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:SSBC) the parent company of Shelton Savings Bank, announced Wednesday that its board of directors has voted to increase the amount of the company's common stock repurchase plan from 3.5 percent of total issured shares, to 10 percent, or 113,742 shares.

As the company had purchased 39,800 shares prior to this increase, the maximum number of shares that the company may repurchase within the next 12 months is 73,942 shares.

The company's president and treasurer, Kenneth E. Schaible, stated that ''Highly publicized earnings problems at banks throughout the region have shaken investor confidence, causing a drop in the market price of most New England bank stocks. Despite the fact that Shelton Bancorp has been profitable for 32 straight quarters, the market price of our stock has recently fallen below its June 30, 1990, book value of $12.71 per share.''

Schaible added that, ''After reviewing other investments and given our strong capital position, we felt that an increase in our stock repurchase plan would be in the best interest of both the company and its stockholders.''

Shelton Bancorp Inc. is the parent company of Shelton Savings Bank, a Connecticut-chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank. Since its founding in 1919, Shelton Savings Bank has specialized in retail banking, with specific emphasis on residential mortgage lending.

The bank is headquartered in Shelton and operates five full service offices within eastern Fairfield and southwestern New Haven counties. The company has issued 1,137,420 shares of common stock, and 1,097,620 shares are outstanding.

CONTACT: Shelton Bancorp Inc., Shelton
Ralph J. Rodriguez, 203/924-4801

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MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Michele J. Hooper, president of Ontario, Canada-based Baxter Corporation, was today elected to a new position on the board of directors of Dayton Hudson Corporation during a regular board meeting.

As president of Baxter Corporation, Hooper oversees Canada's largest health care and laboratory supplies company. Baxter Corporation is the second largest global subsidiary of Illinois-based Baxter International.

Prior to her appointment as president in 1988, Hooper served as vice president, corporate planning for Baxter International in Deerfield, Illinois. She joined Baxter in 1976 as a senior financial analyst and served in various management positions before being named president.

Hooper is a certified public accountant and holds a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Pennsylvania and an MBA in finance from the University of Chicago. She is a member of the Young Presidents' Organization in Canada and the Health Committee of the Toronto Board of Trade.

Hooper's election brings the number of Dayton Hudson directors to 15. Shareholders will consider Hooper for a three-year term on the board at the 1991 annual meeting in May.

Dayton Hudson Corporation is one of America's largest retailers. Its Target, Mervyn's and Department Stores divisions operates 696 stores in 33 states.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - STARS (Satellite Transmission and Reception Specialists) Vice President, Bill Hynes, announced Wednesday that Kim Kent has joined the company's Los Angeles facility as a major account executive.

Kent will provide videotape and production marketing services to customers in the West Coast region.

Prior to joining STARS, Kent was associated with SkyLink and was involved in such projects as ''Live-Aid,'' ''The Jerry Lewis Telethon,'' and ''Comic Relief.''

Kent attended the University of Kansas with a major in broadcast news.

STARS owns and operates an international voice, video, and data satellite communication network and maintains offices, transmission and production facilities in Los Angeles, Houston, New York, Denver and Mexico City.

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Richard Ames, 713,438-3600

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SANTA ANA, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. has named Hans J. Kintsch vice president and chief financial officer effective June 30.

In his new role, Kintsch will be responsible for directing all accounting, banking, treasury and financial-reporting functions for Novadyne. In addition, Kintsch will be responsible for contracts and administration as well as management information systems (MIS).

Novadyne is one of the largest independent field service and computer-systems-distribution organizations in North America, with over 1000 professionals located in over 100 offices.

Kintsch has spent the past 14 years in the financial and management arenas. He joined Novadyne (previously McDonnell Douglas Field Service Co.) in 1985 as controller, where he directed all accounting functions, developing and implementing a general ledger and inventory-control system which merged three divisions' accounting into one.

From 1979 to 1985 Kintsch was the vice president of finance for the Breagen Corp., a $30 million corporation where his responsibilities included streamlining the accounting and MIS groups, automating the general ledger system and installing on-line accounts-payable processing systems.

Kintsch started his career at Cal Comp in 1973, where he worked until 1979 as divisional accounting manager.

Graduating from the University of California at Irvine (UCI) in 1973, Kintsch earned a master's of science degree in administration. He received a bachelor's of science degree in 1971 from UCI.

Born in Austria in 1948, Kintsch moved to the United States at age eight. He presently resides in Anaheim Hills with his family.

Novadyne provides on-site repair and maintenance services on mainframes, minis, CAD/CAM workstations, PCs, micros and peripherals and communications networks. Revenues in 1989 exceeded $100 million.

CONTACT: Novadyne Computer Systems Inc., Santa Ana
Pat Dwight, 714/566-4965

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DALLAS (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Bytex Corp. (NASDAQ:BYTX), based in Southborough, Mass., Wednesday announced a price reduction and introduced several new options for its industry leading local-area network (LAN) protocol analyzer, the Bytex ATS 1000.

The ATS 1000 is currently being exhibited at NetWorld Booth 2843.

Along with the price reduction, several new options include a lower-cost configuration of the base system; a remote option; and lease and rental programs.

''Now customers can enjoy superior functionality and performance at reasonable prices and in a variety of configurations,'' says Joseph S. Skorupa, Bytex director of LAN marketing. ''During the past few months, we invested significant time in talking with our customers about their LAN analyzer requirements.

''In the course of those discussions, we learned that in addition to highly reliable and fully functioning products, customers require flexible purchasing and packaging options in order to meet the challenges of a rapidly changing LAN environment. Today's announcement demonstrates Bytex's singular willingness and ability to meet all requirements.''

Base System Price Reduction

Bytex has improved the affordability of the ATS 1000 by lowering the price on existing base systems from $17,995 to $16,995. Base systems include a portable microcomputer with detachable keyboard and monitor, a network interface, turn-key system software and an ATS 1000 system diskette with pre-defined data collection and analysis applications. New Configuration

Bytex now offers a lower-cost configuration of the base system. Customers may purchase the ATS 1000 system without the detachable keyboard and monitor for $13,995. The new configuration allows customers to recycle keyboards and monitors while savings $3,000 off the price of the an ATS 1000. Remote Option

A new remote option allows organizations with geographically dispersed LANs to manage multiple LANs from a central location.

With the installation of the remote unit and a communications link, users can access the complete suite of ATS 1000 applications and features as if working with a locally installed ATS 1000 or IBM PC-AT or PC-compatible.

The remote option, available now for $15,390, includes an ATS 1000 system without keyboard and display monitor, ATS remote option software, PC AnyWhere and ATERM software, two Fastcomm FDX Series modems and a DB-25 to DB-25 cable.

LEASING PROGRAM

The new ATS 1000 leasing program allows customers to lease systems at fixed monthly rates over either 36 or 48 months.

Benefits of the program include improved cash flow and debt capacity (leased equipment is generally treated as an operating rather than a capital expense), flexibility in mitigating the risk of product obsolescence, and easy budgeting and protection against inflation. Rental Program

Additionally, a rental program is now available. Users may rent the ATS 1000 for $175 per day for a minimum of five days with an option to purchase. Up to 50 percent of rental payments may be applied toward the purchase of an ATS 1000.

Bytex is the world's leading supplier of fault-tolerant electronic matrix switching systems and related data communications products. The company recently entered the LAN marketplace with the acquisition of Vance Systems Inc. of Chantilly, Va. Vance Systems originally developed and marketed the ATS Series of LAN protocol analysis systems.

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Mike Lumpkin, 703/471-9402

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CULVER CITY, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Gary Lieberthal has entered into a new agreement as Chairman of Columbia Pictures Television (CPT), a Columbia Pictures Entertainment (CPE) company, and will be elected to the Board of Directors of CPE, it was announced today by Alan J. Levine, President and Chief Operating Officer of CPE's Filmed Entertainment Group.

Lieberthal will continue to be based at CPT headquarters in Burbank and report to Levine.

Lieberthal, working with CPT President Scott Siegler and other members of his management team, has forged the strongest and most highly visible creative roster in the industry with the recent signing of such renowned talent as Bruce Paltrow, Hugh Wilson, David Milch, Ed. Weinberger, Norman Lear, Norman Steinberg, Michael Landon and James L. Brooks.

Mr. Lieberthal assumed his Chairmanship of CPT shortly after Columbia Pictures Entertainment was formed in December 1987. He had been named chairman and chief executive officer of Embassy Communications in July 1986 and was named to the same position with Columbia/Embassy Television, a division of Coca-Cola Television, in November 1986.

Previously, Mr. Lieberthal was President of Embassy Telecommunications from 1982 to 1986, where he was responsible for syndication of Embassy programming. Before joining Embassy, he was Senior Vice President -- Syndication for T.A.T. Communications from 1980 to 1982 and vice president of that company from 1976 to 1980.

Prior to that, Mr. Lieberthal held key sales and marketing management positions with Arbitron Corporation and Timebuying Service, Inc. He was graduated from Cornell University with a B.S. degree.

Columbia Pictures Entertainment is an entertainment industry leader with major presences in: motion picture production and distribution; television programming and syndication; theatrical exhibition; distribution of filmed entertainment worldwide; and other key businesses.

CONTACT: Columbia Pictures, New York
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or
Columbia Pictures, Los Angeles
Don DeMesquita 213/460-7400

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Aon Corporation (''Aon'') announced Wednesday that it has advised Corroon & Black Corporation (''Corroon'') of its interest in acquiring Corroon in a negotiated transaction for $40 per share in cash or approximately $840 million.

Corroon is currently a party to a Merger Agreement with Willis Faber p.l.c. (''Willis'') providing for a stock-for-stock transaction. The Merger Agreement is currently scheduled to be submitted to a vote of the stockholders of Corroon on September 28, 1990. Based upon market quotations for Willis shares and exchange rates as of September 11, 1990, the consideration to be received in the pending transaction with Willis has a current value of $33.49 per share on an ''equivalent share basis.''

Under the terms of the Merger Agreement with Willis, Corroon is permitted to participate in negotiations with, and provide information to, any third party which proposes a transaction which the Board of Corroon ''reasonably believes will result in a Superior Proposal.'' Corroon is also permitted to terminate the Merger Agreement in order to accept a superior proposal, but must first give Willis 45 days notice.

In a letter (a copy of which is attached to this press release) delivered earlier today from Patrick G. Ryan, Chairman of Aon, to Richard H. Miller, Chairman of Corroon, Mr. Ryan stated, ''We are not interested in pursuing any transaction which is opposed by your Board of Directors. Nevertheless, we believe that your Board will conclude, as our Board and financial advisors (Salomon Brothers Inc and William Blair & Company) have concluded, that $40 in cash per share from Aon Corporation represents a superior proposal to the proposed merger with Willis.''

Mr. Ryan added, ''The many excellent professionals of Corroon and our brokerage subsidiary, Rollins Burdick Hunter Group, Inc., would together create one of the four largest brokerage firms in the world - sharing the same culture, enhancing the career prospects of executives at all levels in both our firms, providing the highest standards of quality service to all clients, enjoying instant access to world markets and generating combined annual brokerage and related revenues approaching $1 billion.''

Aon Corporation is an insurance holding company listed on the New York, London and Midwest Stock Exchanges with assets in excess of $9.8 billion. Revenues for fiscal 1989 exceeded $2.3 billion, with net income of $232 million. Shareholders' equity at June 30, 1990 totaled $1.5 billion. Aon subsidiaries have operations throughout the United States and Canada, as well as Europe and the Pacific. In addition to Rollins Burdick Hunter Group, Inc., the principal subsidiaries of Aon Corporation are Combined Insurance Company of America, The Life Insurance Company of Virginia, Ryan Insurance Group, Inc. and Union Fidelity Life Insurance Company. -0- CONFIDENTIAL BY MESSENGER Mr. Richard M. Miller Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Corroon & Black Corporation Wall Street Plaza New York, New York 10005 Dear Dick:

We are aware that Corroon & Black Corporation (''Corroon'') has called a special meeting of its stockholders to be held on September 28, 1990 to consider and vote upon an Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of June 1, 1990 (the ''Merger Agreement'') among Corroon, Willis Faber p.l.c. (''Willis'') and one of its affiliates, providing for the conversion of each common share of Corroon currently outstanding (together with certain related rights) into the right to receive 7.8 shares of Willis, as represented by ADRs. Based upon market quotations for Willis shares and exchange rates as of September 11, 1990, the consideration to be received in the proposed merger has a current value of $33.49 per share on an

''equivalent share basis''.

We have recently reviewed the proxy materials distributed by Corroon in connection with such special meeting and certain other publicly available information regarding Corroon. As a result of this review, we believe that there are significant potential advantages from a combination of Corroon and our insurance brokerage subsidiary, Rollins Burdick Hunter Group, Inc. ("RBH"), as well as significant potential benefits to be derived by our respective stockholders, customers and employees. A combination of our two organizations would create one of the largest insurance brokerage and risk management service firms in the United States. More importantly, it would create a U.S.-based firm which would be undoubtedly one of the premier professional organizations in our industry in the world. This fine organization would preserve both the Corroon and Rollins names.

With this in mind and so that you may consider an alternative transaction, the Board of Directors of Aon Corporation has authorized me to express to you our interest in acquiring all of the outstanding common shares of Corroon for $40 per share in cash, or approximately $840 million. The funds to enable us to complete this transaction would come from cash on hand and borrowings which we believe we can demonstrate to your satisfaction are readily available to us.

We contemplate structuring the transaction as a cash merger which could, if you wish, be preceded by a cash tender offer. Our transaction would be subject to the negotiation, execution and delivery of a definitive written agreement customary for the acquisition of a public company. Based upon our review of the Merger Agreement, we do not anticipate any significant difficulty in negotiating a mutually acceptable definitive written agreement. Financing would not be a condition.

We are not interested in pursuing any transaction which is opposed by your Board of Directors. Nevertheless, we believe that your Board will conclude, as our Board and financial advisors (Salomon Brothers Inc and William Blair & Company) have concluded, that $40 in cash per share from Aon Corporation represents a superior proposal to the proposed merger with Willis for the following principal reasons: CONTACT: Aon Corporation, Chicago
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WOODLAND HILLS, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Amwest Insurance Group Inc. (ASE/PSE:AMW), Wednesday announced that the board of directors has increased the quarterly cash dividend to be paid for the third quarter of 1990 by 40 percent.

The new quarterly dividend of 7 cents per share will be paid on Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 30, 1990.

Amwest is a Woodland Hills-based insurance holding company, specializing in surety bonds, including contract performance, court, contractors' license and sales tax bonds.

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Phillip E. Huff, 818/704-1111

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Blackstone Advantage Term Trust Inc. (NYSE:BAT) September 1990 monthly update:

Distribution Information: Amount Payable Date Record Date Declaration Date ------ ---------- ---------- $0.0813 Sept. 28, 1990 Sept. 14, 1990 Sept. 4, 1990 T

Investment Adviser Commentary

o The Blackstone Advantage Term Trust's investment objective is to manage a portfolio of high quality securities that will return $10 per share to investors on or shortly before Dec. 31, 2005 while providing high monthly income.

o The fixed income markets reacted negatively to the events in the Middle East in August following quiet trading in July. From the end of June to the close of August, 30-year Treasury bonds rose from an 8.40 percent yield to more than 9.00 percent. Fears that higher oil prices could aggravate inflationary pressures caused investors to reduce their holdings of longer maturity assets and instead purchase shorter maturity securities which caused a steepening of the yield curve.

o Due to this development, the value of the Trust's investments decreased from a net asset value of $9.66 on June 29 to $9.41 on August 31. This is a decrease of 2.59 percent compared to the June month-end valuation. This decrease is less than the decline in overall fixed income markets due to a combination of the steepening yield curve and the narrowing of mortgage yield spreads to the treasury yield curve.

o The Trust continued to distribute its high monthly dividend of 8.13 cents per share which was earned fully from investment income.

Portfolio Databank (As of 8/31/90):

Portfolio Composition	Current Percentage
Mortgage Pass-Throughs	51 percent
CMO Residuals	23 percent
Zero Coupon Bonds	19 percent
High Quality Money Market Securities	7 percent

Performance Update

	Aug. 31	July 31	June 29
NAV	$9.41	$9.74	$9.66
Stock Price	$9.75	$9.88	$10.13

	On initial Offering Price ($10.00)	On Aug. 31 Stock Price ($9.75) Annualized
distribution rate	9.75 pct.	10.01 pct.
Annualized bond equivalent distribution rate	9.95 pct.	10.22 pct.

General Overview

The Blackstone Advantage Term Trust Inc. is a closed-end fund whose primary objective is to generate high monthly income using high quality mortgage securities and return $10 per share to investors on or shortly before Dec. 31, 2005. The Trust is rates AAAf by Standard and Poor's Corp. The Trust is advised by Blackstone Financial Management L.P., a registered investment adviser based in New York. Additional information on the Trust's assets and performance is contained in the Semi-Annual Report for the period ended June 30.

CONTACT: Blackstone Advantage Term Trust Inc., New York
212/214-3332

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Blackstone Income Trust Inc. (NYSE:BKT) September 1990 Monthly Update:

Distribution Information:

Amount	Payable Date	Record Date	Declaration Date
$0.0875	Sept. 28, 1990	Sept. 14, 1990	Sept. 4, 1990

Investment Adviser Commentary

The Blackstone Income Trust Inc. is fully invested in a diversified portfolio of mortgage-backed securities.

The fixed income markets reacted negatively to the events in the Middle East in August following quiet trading in July. From the end of June to the close of August, 30-year Treasury bond rose from an 8.40 percent yields to more than 9.00 percent. Fears that higher oil prices could aggravate inflationary pressures caused investors to reduce their holdings of longer maturity assets and instead purchase shorter maturity securities which caused a steepening of the yield curve.

The value of the Trust's investments rose during this period from a net asset value of $8.28 on June 29 to $8.30 on August 31. This is an increase of 0.24 percent compared to the June month-end valuation and reflects the steepening of the yield curve and the narrowing of mortgage yield spreads to the Treasury yield curve.

The Trust continued to distribute its high monthly dividend of 8.75 cents per share which was earned fully from investment income.

Portfolio Databank (As of 8/31/90):

Portfolio Composition	Current Percentage
Mortgage pass-throughs	51 pct.
Multiple class mortgage pass-throughs	12 pct.
Stripped mortgage-backed securities	8 pct.
CMO residuals	25 pct.
High quality money market securities	4 pct.

Performance Update

	Aug. 31	Jul. 31	Jun. 29
NAV	$8.30	$8.41	$8.28
Stock price	$8.13	$8.25	$8.25

	On initial offering price ($10.00)	On Aug. 31 stock price ($8.13)
Annualized distribution rate	10.50 pct.	12.92 pct.
Annualized bond equivalent distribution rate	10.73 pct.	13.27 pct.

General Overview

The Blackstone Income Trust Inc. is a closed-end fund whose primary objective is to generate high monthly income using high quality mortgage securities. The Trust is advised by Blackstone Financial Management L.P., a registered investment adviser based in New York. Additional information on the Trust's assets and performance is contained in the Semi-Annual Report for the period ended April 30, 1990.

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212/214-3332

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Blackstone Target Term Trust Inc. (NYSE:BTT) September 1990 Monthy Update:

Distribution Information: Amount Payable Date Record Date Declaration Date ------ ---------- ---------- ---------- $0.0792 Sept. 28, 1990 Sept. 14, 1990 Sept. 4, 1990

Investment Adviser Commentary o The Blackstone Target Term Trust Inc. is invested in a diversified portfolio of zero coupon bonds and mortgage-backed securities. The Trust's assets include $955 million of zero coupon bonds to meet the the Trust's objective of returning $10 per share to investors in December 2000.

o The fixed income markets reacted negatively to the events in the Middle East in August following quiet trading in July. From the end of June to the close of August, 30-year Treasury bonds rose from an 8.40 percent yield to more than 9.00 percent. Fears that higher oil prices could aggravate inflationary pressures caused investors to reduce their holdings of longer maturity assets and instead purchase shorter maturity securities which caused a steepening of the yield curve.

o Due to this development, the value of the Trust's investments decreased from a net asset value of $9.23 on June 29 to $9.07 on Aug. 31. This is a decrease of 1.73 percent compared to the June month-end valuation. This decrease is less than the decline in overall fixed income markets due to a combination of the steepening yield curve and the narrowing of mortgage yield spreads to the treasury yield curve.

o The Trust continued to distribute its high monthly dividend of 7.92 cents per share which was earned fully from investment income.

Portfolio Databank (As of 8/31/90):

Porfolio Composition	Current Percentage
Mortgage Pass-Throughs	33 percent
Multiple Class Mortgage Pass-Throughs	2 percent
Stripped Mortgage-backed Securities	5 percent
CMO Residuals	24 percent
Zero Coupon Bonds	31 percent

High Quality Money Market Securities and Municipal Bonds	5 percent

Performance Update

	Aug. 31	July 31	June 29
NAV	$ 9.07	$ 9.28	$ 9.23
Stock Price	$ 9.63	$ 10.00	$ 9.88

	On Initial Offering Price ($10.00)	On Aug. 31 Stock Price ($9.63)
Annualized Distribution Rate	9.50 percent	9.87 percent
Annualized Bond Equivalent Distribution Rate	9.69 percent	10.08 percent

General Overview

The Blackstone Target Term Trust Inc. is a closed-end fund whose primary objective is to generate high monthly income using high quality mortgage securities and return $10 per share to investors on Dec. 31, 2000. The Trust is rated AAAf by Standard and Poor's Corp. The Trust is advised by Blackstone Financial Management L.P., a registered investment adviser based in New York. Additional information on the Trust's assets and performance is contained in the Semi-Annual Report for the period ended April 30, 1990.

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212/214-3332

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ELMSFORD, NY (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - AFP Imaging Corp. (NASDAQ: AFPC) Wednesday reported increased profits for the fourth quarter and twelve months ended June 30.

The company reported record sales of $48,292,005 for the twelve months of fiscal 1990, compared to $45,449,978 for the twelve months ended June 30, 1989, an increase of 6 percent.

The company reported a net profit of $422,359, or 8 cents per share, for the year, compared to a net loss of $191,962, or 4 cents per share. This is the third consecutive quarter of profitability.

For the quarter ended June 30, the company reported record net sales of $13,360,283 compared to $11,535,505 in the fourth quarter fiscal 1989. The company reported a net profit of $315,689, or 6 cents per share, for the current quarter compared to a net loss of $26,639, or 1 cent per share

in the comparable period last year.

The fourth quarter net profit is after a one-time and nonrecurring $500,000 charge to reduce inventory for slow moving items. The company does not anticipate that any further reserves or write-offs will be required.

The company has continued to improve profitability through increased medical and dental processor and accessory sales. The new, lower cost, molded units have been well received.

Management is continuing their efforts to contain expenses and believes the company has made significant improvements from the prior year. With increasing competition and technological changes in the industry, the company has found its market niche and has aggressively pursued it. The company is continuing to seek out additional new equipment and accessory items to add to its growing base of imaging products as it is also reviewing new treatment and diagnostic product areas for future offerings.

AFP Imaging designs, manufactures and markets equipment and systems to hospitals radiologists, cardiologists, dentist and other medical specialists used to generate, record, process and view hard copy diagnostic images under the AFP and DENT-X trademarks. The company also provides a broad line of pre-press image making equipment to the international printing and graphic arts industry under the LOGETRONICS, FOROX and KENRO brands. AFP products are distributed worldwide by three different dealer networks.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Michael F. Hope, 41, has been named Andersen Consulting's Area Utility Industry Director for Europe to develop the Utility Industry Practice which realized 50 percent annual European growth over the past three years.

As director, Hope will lead the growth of Andersen Consulting's Utilities Practice for the Europe/Middle East/Africa region, help foreign clients invest with European utilities through joint ventures and strategic alliances, and focus on helping clients capitalize on advances of new products and services in the utilities industry.

Previously, Hope served as director for the Western Region Utility Industry - Americas. Hope brings over 15 years of experience in financial and management reporting, integrated planning processes and productivity

measurement to his position.

Hope joined Andersen Consulting in 1973 where he has spent most of his career planning, designing and implmenting management information systems for companies in the utilities, manufacturing, construction, healthcare, telecommunications, and other high-tech industries. He became a partner in 1985. Hope is a graduate of the University of Santa Clara in California where he received a Bachelor of Science in Accounting.

The Andersen Consulting Utilities Industry Practice consists of more than 2,000 professionals worldwide and serves over 175 utilities' projects annually. The practice blends industry knowledge, application development skills and technical expertise to provide practical, visionary and resilient business solutions for the utilities industry.

Andersen Consulting has helped organizations apply technology for competitive advantage since 1954 when it installed the first computer application for commerical use. The organizaton helps clients use information in all phases of their management activities - strategic, operations and financial.

Andersen Consulting's worldwide client base has access to more than 20,000 highly trained professionals serving clients through 157 offices in 45 countries. Andersen Consulting is a business unit of the Arthur Andersen Worldwide Organization.

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FERNANDINA BEACH, FL. (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Stephen Giordanella, president of American Body Armor & Equipment Inc. (NASDAQ:ABAE) announced Wednesday that the company has received an order of $370,000 from an elite special forces unit in the U.S. Military.

There may be a follow-up order in the near future. However, no guarantee of this future order has been given.

American Body Armor is a leading manufacturer of bullet resistant vests, high speed armored patrol boats and structural armor.

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Stephen G. Giordanella, 904/261-4035

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FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE:PIR), reported Wednesday that sales for the fiscal second quarter ended Sept. 2 increased 10.9 percent to $149,593,000 from $134,855,000 a year earlier.

Comparable store sales were 4.1 percent under last year.

Earnings for the quarter will be released on Sept. 27.

Pier 1 Imports is a specialty retailer of decorative home furnishings with 541 stores in North America.

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Robert G. Herndon, 817/878-8200
by
Makovsky & Co., New York
Allan E. Jordan or Juliet Singh, 212/532-6300

-30- 794
#90255b0791 09/12/1990 ~Business Wire
WESTBORO, MASS. (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Visual Technology Inc., a Hambrecht & Quist Co., Wednesday became the first manufacturer to break the $1000 price barrier for a true X terminal with the introduction of its X-14/ES Display Station priced at U.S. $995.

Ronald A. Smith, president and chief executive officer of Visual, said, ''Market demand for a low-cost, sophisticated X Window System solution is exploding. Visual has taken the leadership position by providing the first true X Display Station for under $1000.''

Carmen T. Reitano, Visual's vice president of channel marketing, commented, ''The X-14/ES represents Visual's continuing commitment to provide our team of authorized resellers with the largest range of affordable solutions of their end users. This sets a whole new price/performance threshold, giving more people benefits of seamless file access on disparate networked computers. Breaking the $1000 price barrier significantly increases the size of the market for X terminals by
helping end user organizations either begin or expand their use of this graphic networked display technology.''

The Visual X-14/ES Display Station is a small footprint, low-cost networked X graphic display terminal that complies fully with the X11R4-X server specification recently announced by the X Consortium, the industry-recognized X standards group at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The X-14/ES provides a powerful yet economical alternative to an entry level character based terminal. It supports the X Window System, DECwindows, OSF/Motif,

OPENWindows, OPEN LOOK, Open Desktop, and Xview.

Visual Technology Inc., founded in 1978, is the price, performance and technology leader in the X terminal marketplace. In 1988 Visual shipped the world's first X terminal, the Visual V640 X Display Station. The company offers a full line of hardware and software X technology solutions including the X-14/ES, X-15, X-15 Turbo, X-19 and X-19 Turbo X Display Station models.

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or
Redgate Communications Corp., Burlington
Brenda Nashawaty, 617/229-6500

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CHARLOTTE, NC (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Based on unaudited results, Harris Teeter Inc. announced Wednesday that sales for the August period (Aug. 8 - Sept. 4) were $92.5 million, up 7.9 percent over 1989 sales of $85.7 million.

Same store sales for the period were ahead 4.2 percent. At the end of the period, 130 stores were in operation, compared to 128 at the end of the like period in 1989.

Harris Teeter operates a group of 130 supermarkets in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee. Harris Teeter is a subsidiary of Charlotte-based Ruddick Corp., a diverse group of North Carolina companies, including American & Efird Inc., Jordan Graphics Inc. and Ruddick Investment Co.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of J.P. Morgan & Co. Inc. declared a regular quarterly dividend of 45-1/2 cents per share on the common stock (NYSE:JPM) for the quarter ending Sept. 30, payable Oct. 15 to stockholders of record on Sept. 24.

A dividend has also been declared on the Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A (NYSE:JPM Pr A) at the rate of 5 percent per annum and in the amount of $1.25000 per share for the quarter ending Sept. 30, payable on Sept. 30, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 24.

CONTACT: J.P. Morgan & Co. Inc., New York

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - In his first network interview since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, former President Jimmy Carter sits down with CNN's principal Washington anchor Bernard Shaw to share his views on the Persian Gulf crisis.

Carter will discuss what he sees as the economic, military and political implications for the United States, Middle East and international community as a whole.

The interview, conducted in Atlanta at the Carter Presidential Center, airs Sunday, Sept. 16, in a special edition of CNN's NEWSMAKER SUNDAY. The interview program airs 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. (ET).

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Melinda McIntire, 404/827-1790
Alison Hill, 213/558-7455 (Los Angeles)
Chris Cathcart, 212/714-7871 (New York)
Lisa Dallos, 202/898-7625 (Washington)
Gretchen Sorensen, 852/5290-356 ext. 303 (Hong Kong)
Piper Parry, 44/7-1-637-6700 (London)

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MIAMI (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Capital Acquisition Co. (the ''Company'') Wednesday announced that the Expiration Date of its outstanding Common Stock Purchase Warrants (the ''Purchase Warrants'') has been extended by the board of directors of the Company to Dec. 31, 1991.

As previously announced, the Purchase Warrants may not be exercised until such time as the Company files a post-effective amendment to its registration statement.

CONTACT: Capital Acquisition Co., Coconut Grove, Fla.
Jack Sullivan, 305/856-5050

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DALLAS (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The X.400 Application Program Interface Association (XAPIA), an association of leading computer and communications vendors, and X/Open, the international open systems organization, Wednesday

jointly announced the availability of specifications for electronic messaging applications development.

These programming interface specifications enable software developers to write electronic mail applications that are based on international standards, and that can operate independent of computer system, operating system, or communications network.

The specifications announced today cover X.400 messaging, X.500 directories, and object management. They are:

-- Messaging Gateway Application Program Interface (API) Version 2; an API providing definitions for interfacing proprietary mail systems to an X.400 Message Transfer Agent. This is an update

to the XAPIA specification published in June 1989 and adds support for the CCITT 1988 series of recommendations.

-- Messaging Application API; an API that enbles X.400 messaging capabilities such as submission, delivery, and retrieval to be incorporated directly into non-messaging applications such as word processing and spreadsheets.

-- Directory Services API; an API that enables global mail directories based on the X.500 standard to be accessed from within these same applications.

-- Object Management API; an API used by the other APIs to provide tools for manipulating complex information objects, such as messages and the results of directory inquiries.

These specifications are the culmination of over a year of work by the XAPIA member companies, including more than six months of collaborative work with the X/Open organization on the X.500 and object-management APIs. The work between the 25 XAPIA member companies and with X/Open was managed by Jim White of Rapport Communication Inc., technical coordinator for the XAPIA.

''The definition of these APIs represents a major step forward implementing global electronic messaging systems,'' said Ed Owens, XAPIA chairman. ''The XAPIA member companies and X/Open worked cooperatively and aggressively to produce specifications as standards that will be widely embraced by the industry.''

''X/Open's work in the development of these APIs demonstrates our commitment to open networking communications specifications and the creation of an integrated open operating environment,'' said Petr Janecek, manager of Connectivity Strategy at X/Open and chairman of its X/Network committee.

''These APIs will help provide implementations of an open platform for portable electronic mail systems that allows easy access to a broad range of

directory services. As the focal point of the open-systems groups, X/Open, along with the XAPIA, will ensure that these standards are maintained and that they are widely accepted by the world's largest vendors and electronic mail suppliers.''

X/Open and the XAPIA intend to submit the joint API specifications to the IEEE and to work with the IEEE toward the approval of the API specifications as IEEE standards.

''The electronic messaging end-user community is encouraged by the work of XAPIA and X/Open on these specifications,'' said Don Gilbert, chairman of the Electronic Mail Association's Interconnect Committee and Information Systems Director of the American Petroleum Institute.

''The definition and rapid adoption of practical standards by major providers of electronic mail products is extremely important to the many organizations implementing systems for broad internal and external communication.''

The XAPIA plans to continue its established defect-reporting process to monitor and facilitate implementation of the published specifications. In addition, the association is planning further work including the development of an API for electronic data interchange (EDI); defining a subset of functionality for non-messaging applications requiring a basic messaging capability; and an API to the X.400 P7 protocol for retrieving stored messages.

The X.400 Application Program Interface Association was formed in January 1989. Current members are: AT&T, Banyan Systems Inc., British Telecommunications plc., cc:Mail Inc., Data Access Corp., Data Connection Ltd. Digital Equipment Corp., Enable Software Inc., GSI/Danet Inc., Hewlett-Packard Co., Indisy Software Inc., Lotus Development Corp., Microsoft Corp., NCR Corp., Novell, NTT America Inc., OSIware Inc., Retix, Soft-Switch Inc., Sun Microsystems Inc., US Sprint Communications Co., Tandem, TITN Inc., Touch Communications Inc., and 3Com Corp.

X/Open Co. Ltd., founded in 1984, is an independent, non-profit corporation made up of international computer systems vendors, user organizations and software suppliers who are investing business, technical and marketing resources in the specification of the X/Open Portability Guide (XPG), a vendor and product independent, open operating environment based on de facto and international standards.

X/Open members currently include AT&T, Bull, Digital Equipment Corp., Fujitsu Ltd., Hewlett-Packard, Hitachi Ltd., International Business Machines, ICL, NCR Corp., NEC Corp., Nixdorf, Nokia Data, Olivetti, Open Software Foundation, Philips, Prime Computer, Siemens, Sun Microsystems, Unisys, and Unix International Inc.

The API specifications can be ordered from Omnicom Inc., 115 Park St. S.E.,

Vienna, Va., 22180, 703/281-1135.

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or
X/Open Company Ltd.
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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Sprint, the nation's second-largest independent long-distance company, and American Healthcare Systems (AmHS), one of the nation's largest healthcare alliances, have signed a major three-year agreement valued at more than $36 million.

The contract calls for U.S. Sprint to design and implement a Virtual Private Network (VPN) linking AmHS's nearly 1,100 facilities across the United States as well as providing public pay phone, patient calling and employee benefit-related services.

''Our contract with U.S. Sprint will benefit our shareholders' facilities by providing the most modern and efficient long-distance network available at very competitive prices,'' said Deborah Kloman, project manager of telecommunications for AmHS.

''When an organization with the reputation and geographic diversity of AmHS selects our services, we take that as a confirmation of the excellence and innovation U.S. Sprint has worked to build into our people, our network and our products,'' said John Polumbo, regional national account director of U.S. Sprint. ''We are extremely pleased to welcome AmHS to our growing list of major customers.''

U.S. Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified telecommunications company with headquarters in Kansas City, Mo.

AmHS represents facilities in 46 states and Washington, D.C., with combined revenue of more than $18 billion. AmHS operates one of the nation's largest healthcare group purchasing programs and is involved in a healthcare capital fund, liability insurance, a national research and educational institute, a capital finance corporation and a wide range of healthcare businesses.

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Berkman & Daniels, San Diego
Charles E. Day, 619/234-6151

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ANAHEIM, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - General Automation Inc. (ASE:GA) announced Wednesday that Larry Michels, president and co-founder of The Santa Cruz Operation Inc. (SCO), has joined its board of directors.

SCO is a privately held business that sells the Unix System V/386 and Xenix operating systems, along with the Open Desktop interface, to value-added resellers. These operating systems provide the industry-leading multiuser, multitasking business-system capability for industry-standard microcomputers.

It is believed that SCO's 300,000-plus licenses account for 80 percent of the desktop Unix market. Larry Michels is a well-recognized authority within the computer industry, particularly in the Unix market, and is a leading industry strategist.

In making the announcement, Len Mackenzie, General Automation's president, commented: ''We are delighted that someone of Larry's stature and experience has joined our board.

''Over the last 20 months, beginning with our involvement with Sanderson Electronics, there have been several significant and positive changes in the General Automation company and I see this appointment as a further stage in this development.

''It is obvious that our strategy to address the Unix market and our ability to meet our customers' needs, on a global basis, will be dramatically enhanced with Larry's guidance, counsel and involvement. Clearly, I have to be very excited when the founder of the leading Unix supplier joins forces with one of the foremost Pick-based companies, and I look forward to working with Larry.''

General Automation designs and manufactures computer systems for the database-oriented business-systems market. Its systems, related applications software and field-service capability are distributed through a multinational network of computer marketing and service-support companies in the United States, United Kingdom, Europe, Latin America and the South Pacific/East Asia (SGA).

General Automation's proprietary GA/Maxial Hotel Property Management system is presently installed in 14 countries. Annual revenues of the multinational group are now in excess of $100 million.

CONTACT: General Automation Inc., Anaheim
Len Mackenzie, Don Rutherford or John Howorth,
714/778-4800

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Sue Wong International Inc.(TICKER: SUEW) earned $15,135, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $1.13 million for the quarter ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $800,673, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $633,051 for the same period in 1989.

The company's executive office is located at 434 South San Pedro Street, Los Angeles, CA 90013 and its telephone number is (213) 614-1888.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Agrolife Corp.(TICKER: FICO) lost $429,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $2.48 million for the quarter ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $202,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.11 million for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows QVC Network Inc.(TICKER: QVCN) lost $4.50 million, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $158.82 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $813,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $54.92 million for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Orexana Corp.(TICKER: XXAU) earned $65,667, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $13.84 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $48,829, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $45.49 million for the same period in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows VIMRx Pharmaceuticals Inc.(TICKER: VMRX) lost $369,041, or $0.13 per share on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $623,775, or $0.13 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

The company is a development stage firm and effected its initial public offering of 1 million units on July 25, 1990. Each unit consisted of five shares of common stock and five Class A warrants, at a price of $5.00 per unit.

The company's executive office is located at 1177 High Ridge Road, Stamford, CT 06905 and its telephone number is (203) 321-2115.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Crestmont Federal S&L Assn.(TICKER: CRES) lost $21.94 million, or $5.76 per share, for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $6.31 million, or $1.66 per share, in fiscal 1989.

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STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:55 that trade in Memmbers Service Corp.(NASDAQ: MSCX) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 7/16, 9/16. The company is located in Houston, TX.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 10:

Auto Depot Inc. - Cl. A (AUTDA)

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 11 due to an insufficient number of active market makers:

Modern Controls Inc. (MOCOV)

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 10:

Altos Computer Systems (ALTO); Acquired by Acer America Corp.
Biotech Research Laboratories Inc. (BTRL); Acquired by Cambridge Biotech Corp. (CBCX)

Export Tyre Holding Co. (TYRE); No longer 12 (g) registered

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 12:

Southmark Corp. (SMRKV) to (SMRK)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 11:

BSD Medical Corp. (BSDM) to (BSDME)
Cansorb Industries Inc. (CJBFC) to (CJBCF)
Gemini Capital Corp. (GEMI) to Gemini Energy Corp. (GEMI)
Utilitech Inc. - Wts. 12/31/90 (UTLWE) to Wts. 1/15/91 (UTLWE)

The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 10:

Cambridge BioScience Corp. (CBCX) to Cambridge Biotech Corp. (CBCX)

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STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:47 that trade in Gulfstates Utilities Co. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol GSU.

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STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:15 that trade in Gemini Energy Corp.(NASDAQ: GEMI) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 4, 4 3/16.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Ripley Co. Inc.(TICKER: RIPY) increased the number of directors on its board from four to nine.

The board also elected several new members, effective July 31, 1990, as follows:

Kenneth W. MacCormac, Stillman A. Loomis, Worth Loomis, George D. O'Neill and Grover O'Neill Jr., all of whom are designees of Ripley Acquisition Co. (RAC).

The action was in conjunction with the purchase by RAC on July 31, 1990, of 460,315 shares of common stock, or 77.85% of the company's 591,219 shares of common stock.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Bow Valley Industries Ltd.(TICKER: BVI) announced that on Sept. 5, 1990, H.W. Dalton was appointed to the board of directors of the company, replacing D.H. Ebdon, who resigned.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Phlcorp. Inc.(TICKER: PHX) announced Sept. 5, 1990, the results of a new study of projected redemptions applicable to trading stamps issued by a subsidiary, consistent with the results of a prior study stating that recorded liability for future trading stamp redemptions is in excess of required amounts by approximately $34 million.

The company reports that it is likely that the amount of stamps to be redeemed is less than had been expected, but noted that results of such studies are inconsistent with previous studies.

Leucadia National Corp.(TICKER: LUK) holds 66% of Phlcorp's outstanding common shares.

The company is amortizing the apparent excess over a five-year period beginning January 1, 1990. Results of operations for the interim periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, will reflect pre-tax income of approximately $4.50 million.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Synovus Financial Corp.(TICKER: SNV) signed an agreement Aug. 16, 1990, to acquire $130 million in assets of Citizens Federal Savings and Loan

Association in Rome, Georgia.

Synovus also announced that it has signed a letter of intent to acquire Sea Island Bankshares Inc., the holding company of the $130.4 million asset Sea Island Bank, in Statesboro, Georgia.

On Sept. 7, 1990, Synovus announced the termination of its previously announced negotiations to acquire Fairbanco Holding Co., parent company of the $70 million asset, Fairburn Banking Co., of Fairburn, Georgia.

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#90255c0020 09/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Total System Services Inc.(TICKER: TSS) on Sept. 7 declared its intent to provide credit card processing services for Circuit City Stores Inc.(TICKER: CC) of Richmond, Virginia.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows a subsidiary of Unocal (TICKER: UCL), PureGro Co., three of its employees and one of its former employees on Sept. 7, 1990, were cited in a criminal indictment alleging certain violations of federal law connected with transportation, storage and disposal of hazardous waste.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Waste Technology Corp.(TICKER: WTEK), on Aug. 9, 1990, acquired all of the outstanding and issued stock of Solid Waste & Recovery Systems Inc. (SWRS), by agreement with Ted C. Flood.

The company is engaged in the distribution of waste management and recycling equipment in Florida and southern Georgia.

The purchase price for the SWRS stock was $50,000, to be paid to Flood in 24 monthly installments in exchange for his agreement not to compete.

Additionally, $25,000 was paid at closing on Aug. 23, 1990, and the balance with a promissory note made by Waste Technology payable Jan. 15, 1991 with interest at the rate of 9% per annum.

In the event that during the first 12 months after the closing, the operating profits of SWRS are less than $50,000, the purchase price will be reduced to the same ratio as the actual operating profits bears to

$50,000, such reduction to be apportioned between the cash and stock which constitute the purchase price.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Flea Fair USA on Aug. 13 approved creation of a new Class C warrant, and on Aug. 14, approved the reduction of the exercise prices of its Class A and Class B warrants.

Each Class A and Class B warrant will now be exercisable into one share of the company's common stock at an exercise price of $2 per share.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows APF Industries Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Tussik Inc., filed a motion Aug. 31, 1990 to convert its Chapter 11 filing in bankruptcy court to Chapter 7.

Tussik does not anticipate receiving any proceeds upon the liquidation of APF.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that on Sept. 4, 1990, D.W. McGowan retired from the position of director and chairman of the board and president of Ohio Bancorp(TICKER: OHBC). McGowan also retired from the position of director of the Dollar Savings and Trust Co.(TICKER: DSVG), and director and chairman of the board and president of Florida Trust Services of Ohio Bancorp.

T.R. Hollern was elected director, chairman of the board and president of Ohio Bancorp.

He remains in his position of director, chairman of the board, and president of the Dollar Savings and Trust Co., Ohio Bancorp's largest subsidiary.

Also at the Sept. 4 meeting, the following officers were elected:

Carl A. Nunziato, executive vice president and secretary; William G. Weber vice president and chief financial officer; and David J. Lucido, vice president and comptroller

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows ProBac International Corp.(TICKER: PBAC) announced that it has signed a worldwide contract with Pro-Vet Inc. for the distribution and sales and marketing of ProBac's Grease Elimination Process (GEP).

The company reports the contract has significant milestones that could significantly affect the profitability of ProBac International.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Andrew J. McKelvey on Sept. 5, 1990, exercised his option to purchase all of the shares of National Media Holding Co. Inc. from Ronald P. LaRoche and Ronald C. Monroe.

The purchase makes McKelvey the majority stockholder of the company with control of approximately 80% of the issued and outstanding common shares.

McKelvey received 271.77 million shares of common stock from LaRoche, and 138.23 million shares from Monroe.

The option cost $10,000, and McKelvey paid the remaining $16,000 to LaRoche and Monroe.

Both will continue as president and executive vice president of the company, respectively, for one year, but will not be permitted to purchase or acquire any common stock or other company securities prior to Jan. 1, 1992.

-30- 982
#90255c0029 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Acquisition Industries Inc. on Aug. 16, 1990, terminated negotiations concerning a proposed merger with U.S. Mint Inc.

Additionally, Acquisition has again granted an extension to U.S. Nursing and subsidiaries on a promissory note for funds loaned by Acquisition.

The original loan balance has been reduced from $175,000 to approximately $74,038, including expenses, and is payable on demand by Acquisition.

However, all of the principal and interest is due no later than Nov. 13, 1990.

-30- 735
#90255c0031 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows C.H. Heist (TICKER: CHHC) on Aug. 28, 1990, announced a five-for-four stock distribution on its common stock, to be distributed in the form of a stock dividend on Oct. 12, 1990 to shareholders on Dec. 13, 1990.

On Aug. 27, 1990, the board of directors of Heist approved a change in the company's fiscal year from the 52-week period ending on the last Sunday in June to a 52-week calendar year ending the last Sunday in December.

The change is to take effect beginning Dec. 31, 1990.

-30- 734
#90255c0032 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Gregory A. Kearns resigned from CCR Inc.'s (TICKER: CCRC) board of directors on Aug. 20, 1990, due to the press of other business matters and time constraints.

A vacancy exists on the board, since no one was elected to replace Kearns.

-30- 436
#90255c0033 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Global Software Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hathaway Corp.(TICKER: HATH), sold its credit and accounts receivable management business (CARMS) located in Chicago, to Walker Interactive Systems of San Francisco, effective Aug. 31, 1990.

The sale price was $6.58 million. Assets sold included proprietary software and systems under license, as well as other property and equipment used in the business.

-30- 638
#90255c0034 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows NL Industries Inc.(TICKER: NL) and Valhi Inc.(TICKER: VHI) on Sept. 5, 1990, agreed to a merger in which Valhi would acquire the remaining equity interest in NL Industries and holders of NL's common stock other than Valhi will receive 1.6 shares of Valhi's common stock for each share of NL's common stock.

-30- 517
#90255c0035 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Jan. 26, 1990, Dixon Capital Corp. replaced its former accountant, William H. Langley, with John M. Hanson & Co., P.C., as the certifying accountants to audit Dixon's financial statements.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 620
#90255c0036 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Secom General Corp.(TICKER: SECM), effective Sept. 4, 1990, has relocated its corporate offices to space within its operating subsidiary, Micanol Inc. at 48602 Downing Street, P.O. Box 497, Wixom, MI, and the telephone number is (313) 349-8970.

-30- 449
#90255c0037 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that on Sept. 3, 1990, S.A. Megeath III resigned as a director of PLM International Inc.(TICKER: PLM), citing denial of access to information about PLM and other reasons.

PLM states that it disagrees with Megeath's claims made in his letter of resignation in general, and in particular with his of denial of access to information.

PLM reports that it has not terminated Megeath's contract.

The company says its board has not decided to refuse to renominate Megeath as a director.

The company also states its support for another director mentioned in Megeath's letter.

-30- 809
#90255c0039 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:52 that trade in Corroon & Black Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol CBL.

-30- 328
#90255c0040 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:00 that trade in Gemini Energy Corp. (NASDAQ: GEMI) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 4, 4 1/32 unchanged from the halt, up 3/16 points from the previous close.

-30- 365
#90255c0041 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (13:32) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Gulf States Utilities has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol GSU. Trading was resumed at 13:32.

-30- 353
#90255c0042 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 11, 1990, Kansas Gas & Electric (TICKER: KSGE) announced that it has begun negotiations with an unnamed third party which contemplate the possible acquisition by such company of KG&E. KG&E also announced that it has offered to make available information that is being provided to other parties.

-30- 545
#90255c0046 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Aon Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol AOC. Trading was resumed at 14:11.

-30- 337
#90255c0047 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Corroon & Black Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CBL. Trading was resumed at 14:11.

-30- 361
#90255c0049 09/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Continental Materials Corp.(TICKER: CUO) reported that to date, no offer has been received by the company for selling its concrete and concrete aggregates business in Colorado Springs, CO.

A press release issued Aug. 17, 1990 proposed the engagement of an industry related investment firm to explore the possibility of the sale.

-30- 566
#90255c0051 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Sunward Technologies (TICKER: SUNT), on Aug. 31, 1990, was merged with and into Information Magnetics Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Computer & Communications Technology Corp.

According to terms of the merger, each outstanding share of common and preferred stock of Sunward, other than shares constituting "dissenting shares" was converted into shares of Sunward's common stock pursuant to certain conversion provisions set forth in the plan of merger.

Information Magnetics subsequently changed its name to Sunward Technologies Inc.

Sunward Technologies designs, assembles and sells magnetic recording head products for the data storage industry.

-30- 891
#90255c0064 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRY E HAGERTY JR OF 1025 THOMAS JEFFERSON ST NW, SUITE 115, WASHINGTON DC 20007, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CCAIR INC. (TICKER: CCAR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 05, 1990.

(CCAIR INC. TEL: 704 527-7670)

-30- 412
#90255c0065 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT J NIELSON OF 46 WEST 300 SOUTH, SUITE 235, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84101, HAS FILED TO SELL 797,942 SHARES OF AMERALIA INC. (TICKER: AALA) THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(AMERALIA INC. TEL: 801 596-2622)

-30- 413
#90255c0066 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALTER CIENKE OF 99 PALISADE AVE, GARFIELD, NJ 07026, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: DIPC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(DIGITAL PRODUCTS CORP. TEL: 305 564-0521)

-30- 412
#90255c0067 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DIANE GREENE OF 300 EAST 59TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BARRIE (RICHARD) FRAGANCES INC. (TICKER: RBFI) THROUGH EMANUEL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(BARRIE (RICHARD) FRAGANCES INC. TEL: 516 324-0950)

-30- 441
#90255c0068 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HELFRIED KUEHU OF 6115 NE 82ND AVE, VANCOUVER, WA 98662, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,750 SHARES OF CELEREX CORP. (TICKER: CEXY) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(CELEREX CORP. TEL: 206 623-0225)

-30- 395
#90255c0069 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OPENSHAW KEITH & MARILOU TTEES OF 301 NORTHWEST 63RD ST STE 500, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73116, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,151 SHARES OF COACHMAN INC. (TICKER: CINC) THROUGH SECURITY PACIFIC INVTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(COACHMAN INC. TEL: 405 840-4667)

-30- 456

#90255c0071 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK SCHAIFER OF 3901 INDEPENDENT AVE, BRONX, NY 10463, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,216 SHARES OF CORTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: CORX) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(CORTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 714 727-3157)

-30- 439
#90255c0072 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALVIN L SWANSON JR OF 3422 54TH STREET WEST, BILLINGS, MT 59106, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF GRUBB & ELLIS CO. (TICKER: GBE) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 04, 1990.

(GRUBB & ELLIS CO. TEL: 415 956-1990)

-30- 412
#90255c0073 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT S TEUTENBERG OF 650 LOCKSLEY, ST LOUIS, MO 63119, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: TRCI) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH CORP. TEL: 813 535-0572)

-30- 429
#90255c0074 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT S TEUTENBERG OF 650 LOCKSLEY, ST LOUIS, MO 63119, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,500 SHARES OF TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: TRCI) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH CORP. TEL: 813 535-0572)

-30- 429
#90255c0075 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT BEKOFF OF 17 NURMI DR, FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301, HAS FILED TO SELL

2,338 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 392
#90255c0076 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C HAROLD GAFFIN OF 343 STATE ST, ROCHESTER, NY 14650, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,036 SHARES OF EASTMAN KODAK CO. (TICKER: EK) THROUGH CHASE LINCOLN 1ST BRKG. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(EASTMAN KODAK CO. TEL: 716 724-4332)

-30- 409
#90255c0077 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VINCENT A CALARCO OF 27 FOREST GLEN DR, 0, WOODBRIDGE, CT 06525, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. TEL: 203 353-5400)

-30- 438
#90255c0079 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLINTON H HOWARD OF 1300 EAST ROCHELLE BLVD, 0, IRVING, TX 75062, HAS FILED TO SELL 38,000 SHARES OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 214 541-2278)

-30- 450
#90255c0080 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD R SEAMAN OF 2500 MONTEREY ST, SARASOTA, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PROBAC INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PBAC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(PROBAC INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 813 957-3530)

-30- 426
#90255c0081 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAURICE CHAPPELLE OF 6501 22ND AVE W, BRADENTON, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PROBAC INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PBAC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(PROBAC INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 813 957-3530)

-30- 429
#90255c0082 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACQUELINE GORDON OF 809 LEONARD RD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90049, HAS FILED TO SELL 97,000 SHARES OF SECURITY ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS I (TICKER: SENV) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(SECURITY ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS I TEL: 213 431-8486)

-30- 458
#90255c0083 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LUCIAN L VESTAL OF 244 CEDAR PARK CIRCLE, SARASOTA, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF PROBAC INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PBAC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(PROBAC INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 813 957-3530)

-30- 429
#90255c0084 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES H BUTLER OF 150 2ND AVE NORTH ST, ST PETERSBURG, FL 33701, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF NOVA CORP. OF ALBERTA (TICKER: NVA) THROUGH BURNS FRY LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(NOVA CORP. OF ALBERTA TEL: 403 290-6000)

-30- 422
#90255c0085 09/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - LEON C HIRSCH OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 401
#90255c0087 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD M HERMAN OF 2920 N COMMONWEALTH, CHICAGO, IL 60614, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,158 SHARES OF CELLCOM CORP. (TICKER: CLCM) THROUGH WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(CELLCOM CORP. TEL: 207 808-1121)

-30- 401
#90255c0088 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - I-TECH R&D L P OF 9248 CAMBRIDGE MANOR CT, POTOMAC, MD 20854, HAS FILED TO SELL 300,000 SHARES OF COMVERSE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CMVT) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(COMVERSE TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 516 921-0470)

-30- 438
#90255c0089 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALTON TRUST OF 1900 OAK TERRACE LANE, THOUSAND OAKS, CA 91320, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,810 SHARES OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(AMGEN INC. TEL: 805 499-5725)

-30- 387
#90255c0090 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALTON TRUST #2 OF 1900 OAK TERRACE LANE, THOUSAND OAKS, CA 91320, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY.

THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(AMGEN INC. TEL: 805 499-5725)

-30- 394
#90255c0091 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILIP S VANDAM OF 1981 N E 153RD ST, 0, N MIAMI BCH, FL 33162, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,110 SHARES OF PLASTIGONE TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GONE) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(PLASTIGONE TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 305 274-1233)

-30- 453
#90255c0092 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK MOLDENHAUER OF 8745 WEST 14TH AVE #216, LAKEWOOD, CO 80215, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF FOLIAGE PLUS INC. (TICKER: FOLI) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(FOLIAGE PLUS INC. TEL: 708 362-8210)

-30- 422
#90255c0093 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD FRIEDMAN OF 100 EAST 42ND ST, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 44,000 SHARES OF AMERIFAX INC. (TICKER: AFAX) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(AMERIFAX INC. TEL: 913 451-1080)

-30- 400
#90255c0095 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RUDOLPH B FRITZHAND OF 34-11 47TH AVE, LONG ISLAND CITY, NY 11101, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 433
#90255c0096 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT LYMAN OF 1044 NORTHERN BLVD, ROSLYN, NY 11576, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 414
#90255c0097 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES F JORDAN OF 270 STONEHEDGE, HILLSBOROUGH, CA 94010, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF TELEBIT CORP. (TICKER: TBIT) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 06, 1990.

(TELEBIT CORP. TEL: 408 745-3003)

-30- 398
#90255c0098 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HERMAN J OBERMAYER OF 4114 N RIDGEVIEW RD, ARLINGTON, VA 22207, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,135 SHARES OF MOLECULON INC. (TICKER: MBIO) THROUGH LEGG MASON WOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(MOLECULON INC. TEL: 617 577-9900)

-30- 408
#90255c0099 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEWISH COMMITTEE AMERICAN OF 165 EAST 56TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,365 SHARES OF MOLECULON INC. (TICKER: MBIO) THROUGH LEGG MASON WOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(MOLECULON INC. TEL: 617 577-9900)

-30- 408
#90255c0100 09/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - WAYNE INOUYE OF 783 KENT AVE, 0, SAN CARLOS, CA 94070, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,391 SHARES OF THE GOOD GUYS INC. (TICKER: GGUY) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(THE GOOD GUYS INC. TEL: 415 259-5200)

-30- 409
#90255c0101 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WAYMAN F SMITH III OF 69 LADUE ESTATES DR, ST LOUIS, MO 63141, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,012 SHARES OF ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. (TICKER: BUD) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. TEL: 314 577-2000)

-30- 418
#90255c0103 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERNEST G LUDY OF 777 EAST EISENHOWER PKWY STE 500, ANN ARBOR, MI 48108, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,300 SHARES OF MEDSTAT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MDST) THROUGH PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(MEDSTAT SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 313 996-1180)

-30- 436
#90255c0104 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFF FISHMAN OF 2122 HUBBARD ST, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84108, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,000 SHARES OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. TEL: 801 532-7526)

-30- 417
#90255c0115 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FRANCIS D R COLEMAN, OFFICER OF ACC CORP. (TICKER: ACCC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90255c0116 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRANCIS D R COLEMAN, OFFICER OF ACC CORP. (TICKER: ACCC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90255c0117 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FRANCIS D R COLEMAN, OFFICER OF ACC CORP. (TICKER: ACCC), SOLD 4,987 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90255c0118 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, STEVEN M VAN DICK, OFFICER OF ADAC LABORATORIES (TICKER: ADAC), BOUGHT 4,600 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90255c0119 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DIRK E SONNEBORN, OFFICER OF ADVANCED MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ADVA), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 341
#90255c0121 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CRAIG A BRUMFIELD, VP OF ATLANTIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGH), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90255c0122 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CRAIG A BRUMFIELD, VP OF ATLANTIS GROUP INC. (TICKER:

AGH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,542.

-30- 309
#90255c0123 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, PETER W KLEIN, VP OF ATLANTIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90255c0124 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PETER W KLEIN, VP OF ATLANTIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 988.

-30- 299
#90255c0125 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, CHARLES D KLEIN, DIR. OF AMETEK INC. (TICKER: AME), BOUGHT 875 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90255c0126 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CHARLES D KLEIN, DIR. OF AMETEK INC. (TICKER: AME), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90255c0127 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CHARLES D KLEIN, DIR. OF AMETEK INC. (TICKER: AME), BOUGHT 15,250 SHARES AT $10.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90255c0129 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, CHARLES D KLEIN, DIR. OF AMETEK INC. (TICKER: AME),

BOUGHT 1,850 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90255c0130 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES D KLEIN, DIR. OF AMETEK INC. (TICKER: AME), BOUGHT 2,425 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 297
#90255c0131 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CHARLES D KLEIN, DIR. OF AMETEK INC. (TICKER: AME), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 298
#90255c0132 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, GARY R PETERSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMWEST INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: AMW), SOLD 1,042 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,989.

-30- 356
#90255c0133 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ERVIN F LYON, DIR. OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $43.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 201,668.

-30- 334
#90255c0134 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 23,100 SHARES AT $2.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90255c0135 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $2.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90255c0137 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90255c0138 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90255c0139 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90255c0140 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90255c0141 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90255c0142 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90255c0143 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 28,000 SHARES AT $2.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90255c0145 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90255c0146 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 18,800 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90255c0147 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 32,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90255c0148 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90255c0149 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90255c0150 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 7,900 SHARES AT $3.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90255c0151 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90255c0153 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ASHLAND OIL LEVER ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), SOLD 4,416 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90255c0154 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ASHLAND OIL LEVER ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), SOLD 4,400 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90255c0155 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ASHLAND OIL LEVER ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), SOLD 6,100 SHARES AT $33.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90255c0156 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES B BENSON, VP OF AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC. (TICKER: AUD), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $50.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,300.

-30- 331
#90255c0157 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, SETH BAKER, CHAIRMAN OF BAKER COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: BAKR), SOLD 14,545 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 561,455.

-30- 329
#90255c0158 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILBUR H GANTZ, PRES. OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 199,720.

-30- 320
#90255c0159 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WARREN D JOHNSON, SHAREHOLDER OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 6,062 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,617.

-30- 335
#90255c0161 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RONALD GALE, DIR. OF BETHLEHEM CORP. (TICKER: BET), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90255c0162 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RONALD GALE, DIR. OF BETHLEHEM CORP. (TICKER: BET), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90255c0163 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RONALD GALE, DIR. OF BETHLEHEM CORP. (TICKER: BET), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,300.

-30- 294
#90255c0164 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RONALD H LAUTZENHEISER, VP OF BIG O TIRES INC. (TICKER: BIGO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 321
#90255c0165 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DEALEY D HERNDON, DIR. OF BELO (A.H.) CORP. (TICKER: BLC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90255c0166 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD A CRAMER, DIR. OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90255c0167 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD A CRAMER, DIR. OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $7.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,000.

-30- 325
#90255c0169 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, BERNARD W REZNICEK, PRES. OF BOSTON EDISON CO. (TICKER:

BSE), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 662.

-30- 311
#90255c0170 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD E DAUCH, VP OF CHRYSLER CORP. (TICKER: C), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90255c0171 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RICHARD E DAUCH, VP OF CHRYSLER CORP. (TICKER: C), SOLD 13,700 SHARES AT $13.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90255c0172 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RICHARD E DAUCH, VP OF CHRYSLER CORP. (TICKER: C), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90255c0173 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD E DAUCH, VP OF CHRYSLER CORP. (TICKER: C), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90255c0174 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RICHARD E DAUCH, VP OF CHRYSLER CORP. (TICKER: C), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90255c0175 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD E DAUCH, VP OF CHRYSLER CORP. (TICKER: C), SOLD

5,300 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,120.

-30- 295
#90255c0177 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90255c0178 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90255c0179 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90255c0180 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90255c0181 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90255c0182 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL

SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90255c0183 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 174,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90255c0185 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,246,420.

-30- 368
#90255c0186 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 349
#90255c0187 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 12,800 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 349
#90255c0188 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 349

#90255c0189 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 349
#90255c0190 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 349
#90255c0191 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90255c0193 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90255c0194 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90255c0195 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90255c0196 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90255c0197 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90255c0198 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90255c0199 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90255c0201 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $8.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90255c0202 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $8.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90255c0203 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $8.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90255c0204 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90255c0205 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 61,000 SHARES AT $8.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 349
#90255c0206 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 17,500 SHARES AT $11.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 350

#90255c0207 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 17,500 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 350
#90255c0209 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90255c0210 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 38,000 SHARES AT $10.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,754,000.

-30- 389
#90255c0211 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STANLEY SEVILLA, DIR. OF CAESARS WORLD INC. (TICKER: CAW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 312
#90255c0212 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, SETH A RESNICOFF, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: CBNH), BOUGHT 155 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,589.

-30- 329
#90255c0213 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BRUCE M DAYTON, DIR. OF CHANCELLOR CORP. (TICKER: CHCR), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,820.

-30- 307
#90255c0214 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, AGRI INTERNATIONAL INC, BEN. OWNER OF GOLDEN POULTRY CO. (TICKER: CHIK), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,126,890.

-30- 337
#90255c0215 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PABLO D VALENZUELA, VP OF CHIRON CORP. (TICKER: CHIR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 171,739.

-30- 303
#90255c0217 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GORDON A CAMPBELL, PRES. OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90255c0218 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GORDON A CAMPBELL, PRES. OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90255c0219 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GORDON A CAMPBELL, PRES. OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.24 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90255c0220 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GORDON A CAMPBELL, PRES. OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90255c0221 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, GORDON A CAMPBELL, PRES. OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90255c0222 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, GORDON A CAMPBELL, PRES. OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,528,530.

-30- 336
#90255c0223 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CONSOLIDATED NG ALT THRIFT TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), BOUGHT 12,624 SHARES AT $45.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 352
#90255c0225 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, FRANK J DISANTO JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COPYTELE INC. (TICKER: COPY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 239,475.

-30- 332
#90255c0226 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RICHARD J KENNEY, OFFICER OF CONSOLIDATED PAPERS INC. (TICKER: CPER), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $33.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,564.

-30- 328
#90255c0227 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, H E AARON, OFFICER OF CAL REP BANCORP. (TICKER: CRBI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90255c0228 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, H E AARON, OFFICER OF CAL REP BANCORP. (TICKER: CRBI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,773.

-30- 311
#90255c0229 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RODNEY NAHAMA, OFFICER OF CAL REP BANCORP. (TICKER: CRBI), BOUGHT 632 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 312
#90255c0230 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, LEO J PIERUCCI, CHAIRMAN OF CAL REP BANCORP. (TICKER: CRBI), BOUGHT 337 SHARES AT $19.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,232.

-30- 319
#90255c0231 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT L HUNT II, OFFICER OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 15,900 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90255c0233 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT L HUNT II, OFFICER OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL

INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 7,900 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,992.

-30- 338
#90255c0234 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WESTERN & SOUTHERN LIFE INS CO, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90255c0235 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WESTERN & SOUTHERN LIFE INS CO, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90255c0236 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WESTERN & SOUTHERN LIFE INS CO, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 717,200.

-30- 367
#90255c0237 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 24, 1989, CARL H MURRAY, DIR. OF CXR CORP. (TICKER: CXR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.84 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90255c0238 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, CARL H MURRAY, DIR. OF CXR CORP. (TICKER: CXR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,800.

-30- 289
#90255c0239 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, CARL H MURRAY, DIR. OF CXR CORP. (TICKER: CXR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 291
#90255c0241 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ANDREW DALOIA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF DAWN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: DAWN), SOLD 65,000 SHARES AT $0.46 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,587,000.

-30- 361
#90255c0242 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WARREN K NOVICK, CHAIRMAN OF DAWN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: DAWN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90255c0243 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WARREN K NOVICK, CHAIRMAN OF DAWN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: DAWN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $1.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90255c0244 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WARREN K NOVICK, CHAIRMAN OF DAWN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: DAWN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,625,000.

-30- 324
#90255c0245 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ERWIN D OKUN, OFFICER OF DISNEY (WALT) CO. (TICKER: DIS), SOLD 4,400 SHARES AT $103.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276

#90255c0246 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MAX A LENNON, DIR. OF DELTA WOODSIDE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DLW), BOUGHT 931 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,051.

-30- 318
#90255c0247 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BUCK A MICKEL, DIR. OF DELTA WOODSIDE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DLW), BOUGHT 931 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 351,143.

-30- 321
#90255c0249 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ROBERT C MATHIS, DIR. OF DIGITAL MICROWAVE CORP. (TICKER: DMIC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $13.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90255c0250 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90255c0251 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90255c0252 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 9,700 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90255c0253 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90255c0254 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 670,459.

-30- 320
#90255c0255 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, C HAROLD GAFFIN, VP OF EASTMAN KODAK CO. (TICKER: EK), SOLD 2,036 SHARES AT $39.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 98.

-30- 301
#90255c0257 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN E SCOTT, CHAIRMAN OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 787,500.

-30- 352
#90255c0258 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, STEPHEN LAZOVITZ, DIR. OF THE ENSTAR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ENST), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $0.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 318
#90255c0259 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF ERIE LACKAWANNA INC. (TICKER: ERIE), BOUGHT 4,597 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 97,812.

-30- 345
#90255c0260 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, TTEE OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $60.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90255c0261 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, TTEE OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), BOUGHT 9,297 SHARES AT $53.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90255c0262 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, TTEE OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), SOLD 6,800 SHARES AT $60.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90255c0263 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RICHARD A CHENOWETH, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP. OF OHIO (TICKER: FBOH), SOLD 25,500 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,199.

-30- 337
#90255c0265 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, PHILIP GREER, DIR. OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90255c0266 09/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PHILIP GREER, DIR. OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $38.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90255c0267 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PHILIP GREER, DIR. OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,878.

-30- 309
#90255c0268 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FRANK M HENRY, DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 181,999.

-30- 338
#90255c0269 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THOMAS C BLAKE, PRES. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,634.

-30- 326
#90255c0270 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THOMAS C BLAKE, PRES. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,210.

-30- 328
#90255c0271 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RICHARD E WEINMAN, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 130 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 2,550.

-30- 342
#90255c0273 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WALTER A DODS JR, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 4,667 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90255c0274 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WALTER A DODS JR, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 266,717.

-30- 327
#90255c0275 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LOUIS H WILSON, DIR. OF FLUOR CORP. (TICKER: FLR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $33.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 295
#90255c0276 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90255c0277 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90255c0278 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90255c0279 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90255c0281 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $5.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90255c0282 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90255c0283 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES AT $4.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90255c0284 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 55,000 SHARES AT $5.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90255c0285 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90255c0286 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 215,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90255c0287 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90255c0289 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DON P RUNDLE, DIR. OF FIRST FEDERAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: FTFC), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 225.

-30- 323
#90255c0290 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, TORRENCE E HEMBY JR, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 315
#90255c0291 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GREGORY C THOMAS, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CO. (TICKER: GACC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,019.

-30- 339

#90255c0292 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, GREGORY C THOMAS, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CO. (TICKER: GACC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90255c0293 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, GREGORY C THOMAS, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CO. (TICKER: GACC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90255c0294 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, GREGORY C THOMAS, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CO. (TICKER: GACC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 340
#90255c0295 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, EQUITY HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90255c0297 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, NORMAN M FIELD, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90255c0298 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, NORMAN M FIELD, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 2,000,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,168,725.

-30- 345
#90255c0299 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RONALD L GLASS, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90255c0300 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RONALD L GLASS, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 2,000,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,168,725.

-30- 345
#90255c0301 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ARTHUR A GREENBERG, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90255c0302 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ARTHUR A GREENBERG, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 2,000,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,169,725.

-30- 352
#90255c0303 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM K HALL, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90255c0305 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JODELL A KEPPLER, OFFICER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV

INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90255c0306 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JODELL A KEPPLER, OFFICER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 2,000,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,168,725.

-30- 359
#90255c0307 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, B ANN LURIE, BEN. OWNER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90255c0308 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, B ANN LURIE, BEN. OWNER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 2,000,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,168,725.

-30- 358
#90255c0309 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, PATRICIA MEGAHAN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90255c0310 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, PATRICIA MEGAHAN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 2,000,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,168,725.

-30- 347
#90255c0311 09/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JERRY J PEZZELLA JR, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90255c0313 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, SHELI Z ROSENBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90255c0314 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, SHELI Z ROSENBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 2,000,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,169,725.

-30- 381
#90255c0315 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GERALD A SPECTOR, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90255c0316 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, GERALD A SPECTOR, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 2,000,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,168,725.

-30- 349
#90255c0317 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, SAMUEL ZELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90255c0318 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, SAMUEL ZELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), SOLD 2,000,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,172,725.

-30- 367
#90255c0319 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GENESEE CORP. (TICKER: GENB), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 187,637.

-30- 331
#90255c0321 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, RONALD A DUNCAN, PRES. OF GENERAL COMMUNICATION INC. (TICKER: GNCM), SOLD 69,999 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,039,781.

-30- 335
#90255c0322 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, ROBERT M WALP, DIR. OF GENERAL COMMUNICATION INC. (TICKER: GNCM), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90255c0323 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, ROBERT M WALP, DIR. OF GENERAL COMMUNICATION INC. (TICKER: GNCM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90255c0324 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, ROBERT M WALP, DIR. OF GENERAL COMMUNICATION INC.

(TICKER: GNCM), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,233,688.

-30- 329
#90255c0325 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, ROBERT M WALP, DIR. OF GENERAL COMMUNICATION INC. (TICKER: GNCM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90255c0326 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, ROBERT M WALP, DIR. OF GENERAL COMMUNICATION INC. (TICKER: GNCM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,208,688.

-30- 328
#90255c0327 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, H JOSEPH GERBER, CHAIRMAN OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90255c0329 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, H JOSEPH GERBER, CHAIRMAN OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 98,975.

-30- 331
#90255c0330 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JAMES T HENDERSON, DIR. OF GRIFFIN TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GRIF), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90255c0331 09/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JAMES T HENDERSON, DIR. OF GRIFFIN TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GRIF), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90255c0332 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES T HENDERSON, DIR. OF GRIFFIN TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GRIF), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,301.

-30- 323
#90255c0333 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JEFF J FISHMAN, PRES. OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90255c0334 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JEFF J FISHMAN, PRES. OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90255c0335 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JEFF J FISHMAN, PRES. OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 872,000.

-30- 323
#90255c0337 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DAVID L WHELAN, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90255c0338 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID L WHELAN, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90255c0339 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DAVID L WHELAN, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90255c0340 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DAVID L WHELAN, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90255c0341 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DAVID L WHELAN, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,286,305.

-30- 340
#90255c0342 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, T SKIPWITH LEWIS, OFFICER OF HARTFORD STEAM BOILER INSPECT & INSUR CO. (TICKER: HSB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $54.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90255c0343 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, T SKIPWITH LEWIS, OFFICER OF HARTFORD STEAM BOILER INSPECT & INSUR CO. (TICKER: HSB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $53.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90255c0345 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, T SKIPWITH LEWIS, OFFICER OF HARTFORD STEAM BOILER INSPECT & INSUR CO. (TICKER: HSB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $53.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,534.

-30- 366
#90255c0346 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, STEVEN B BING, PRES. OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 240 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,240.

-30- 291
#90255c0347 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN A FRANCO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 70,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 470,000.

-30- 324
#90255c0348 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MARTIN H RUBY, VP OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 273,990.

-30- 293
#90255c0349 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HOWARD O WOLTZ JR, PRES. OF INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: III), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 104,376.

-30- 318
#90255c0350 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN E WOLTZ, DIR. OF INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: III), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 368,426.

-30- 311
#90255c0351 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ARTHUR E VAN LEUVEN, DIR. OF IMO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IMD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 310
#90255c0353 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN C STISKA, PRES. OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90255c0354 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, QUANTUM FUND NV, BEN. OWNER OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90255c0355 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, QUANTUM FUND NV, BEN. OWNER OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90255c0356 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, QUANTUM FUND NV, BEN. OWNER OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90255c0357 09/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, QUANTUM FUND NV, BEN. OWNER OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $24.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90255c0358 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, QUANTUM FUND NV, BEN. OWNER OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90255c0359 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, QUANTUM FUND NV, BEN. OWNER OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), BOUGHT 950 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90255c0361 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, QUANTUM FUND NV, BEN. OWNER OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), SOLD 850 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90255c0362 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, QUANTUM FUND NV, BEN. OWNER OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90255c0363 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, QUANTUM FUND NV, BEN. OWNER OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $28.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 273,500.

-30- 321

#90255c0364 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GARY A POKRASSA, OFFICER OF INFORMATION MANAGEMENT TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: IMTK), BOUGHT 8,400 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,400.

-30- 380
#90255c0365 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90255c0366 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $2.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90255c0367 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 480,000 SHARES AT $1.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90255c0369 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90255c0370 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 5,750 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90255c0371 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90255c0372 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 4,850 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90255c0373 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,150 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,479,666.

-30- 357
#90255c0374 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MICHAEL J ROZEN, DIR. OF JACOR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: JCOR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 190,441.

-30- 332
#90255c0375 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, RICHARD A KIRSTEIN, DIR. OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,840.

-30- 324
#90255c0377 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CLARK H JOHNSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOHNSON & JOHNSON

(TICKER: JNJ), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $65.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,800.

-30- 340
#90255c0378 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 56,411 SHARES AT $23.24 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90255c0379 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 22,900 SHARES AT $22.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90255c0380 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 28,866 SHARES AT $23.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90255c0381 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 11,400 SHARES AT $23.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90255c0382 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $22.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90255c0383 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 9,255 SHARES AT $23.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90255c0385 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 25,400 SHARES AT $23.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90255c0386 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 29,184 SHARES AT $23.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90255c0387 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90255c0388 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CHARLES CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 221,608 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90255c0389 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CHARLES CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 44,561 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90255c0390 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CHARLES CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 20,887 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90255c0391 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CHARLES CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 8,732 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90255c0393 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CHARLES CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 477,319 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90255c0394 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CHARLES CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 223,728 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90255c0395 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CHARLES CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 93,532 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90255c0396 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CHARLES CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 47,318 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90255c0397 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CHARLES CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 23,429 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90255c0398 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CHARLES CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 506,843 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90255c0399 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CHARLES CONSTON, DIR. OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 250,963 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90255c0401 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, CONSTON CHARLES TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF CONSTON CORP. (TICKER: KCS), SOLD 477,319 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90255c0402 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, YANK D COBLE JR, DIR. OF KOGER EQUITY INC. (TICKER: KE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,600.

-30- 302
#90255c0403 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ALEX D GEORGE, DIR. OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,327.

-30- 336
#90255c0404 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, EARL L WRIGHT, DIR. OF NICHOLS INSTITUTE (TICKER: LAB), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,924.

-30- 310
#90255c0405 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID J ZUVER, DIR. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,463.

-30- 317
#90255c0406 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 10, 1988, R HAL DEAN, DIR. OF LABARGE INC. (TICKER: LB), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,721.

-30- 293
#90255c0407 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, BARRY L EDWARDS, VP OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $45.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,462.

-30- 296
#90255c0409 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, PORTER B ROSE, OFFICER OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $45.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,720.

-30- 304
#90255c0410 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM D SPRAGUE, OFFICER OF LUKENS INC. (TICKER: LUC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $29.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 299
#90255c0411 09/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, TULLY MICHAEL FRIEDMAN, DIR. OF MATTEL INC. (TICKER: MAT), BOUGHT 184,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90255c0412 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, TULLY MICHAEL FRIEDMAN, DIR. OF MATTEL INC. (TICKER: MAT), BOUGHT 23,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90255c0413 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, TULLY MICHAEL FRIEDMAN, DIR. OF MATTEL INC. (TICKER: MAT), BOUGHT 9,200 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90255c0414 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, TULLY MICHAEL FRIEDMAN, DIR. OF MATTEL INC. (TICKER: MAT), BOUGHT 920 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90255c0415 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, TULLY MICHAEL FRIEDMAN, DIR. OF MATTEL INC. (TICKER: MAT), BOUGHT 4,600 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90255c0417 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, TULLY MICHAEL FRIEDMAN, DIR. OF MATTEL INC. (TICKER: MAT), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90255c0418 09/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, TULLY MICHAEL FRIEDMAN, DIR. OF MATTEL INC. (TICKER: MAT), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90255c0419 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, TULLY MICHAEL FRIEDMAN, DIR. OF MATTEL INC. (TICKER: MAT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90255c0420 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, TULLY MICHAEL FRIEDMAN, DIR. OF MATTEL INC. (TICKER: MAT), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90255c0421 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, TULLY MICHAEL FRIEDMAN, DIR. OF MATTEL INC. (TICKER: MAT), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90255c0422 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, TULLY MICHAEL FRIEDMAN, DIR. OF MATTEL INC. (TICKER: MAT), BOUGHT 320 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90255c0423 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, TULLY MICHAEL FRIEDMAN, DIR. OF MATTEL INC. (TICKER: MAT), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 743,272.

-30- 312

#90255c0425 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 21,161 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,032,422.

-30- 324
#90255c0426 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90255c0427 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 652,503.

-30- 318
#90255c0428 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT A LAWRENCE, DIR. OF MCCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: MCAW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,205.

-30- 350
#90255c0429 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES J HARRISON JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCCORMICK & CO. (TICKER: MCCR), SOLD 1,433 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,226.

-30- 337
#90255c0430 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES J HARRISON JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCCORMICK & CO.

(TICKER: MCCR), SOLD 4,300 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,331.

-30- 336
#90255c0431 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, GERALD NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 710.

-30- 326
#90255c0433 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF MERCHANTS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MCHN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 408,188.

-30- 362
#90255c0434 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN R WORTHINGTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCIC), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $36.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90255c0435 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 05, 1990, JOHN R WORTHINGTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCIC), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $35.54 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 121,300.

-30- 360
#90255c0436 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, BETTY L MALONEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS INC. (TICKER: MNI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90255c0437 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, BETTY L MALONEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS INC. (TICKER: MNI), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,842.

-30- 378
#90255c0438 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ERWIN R POTTS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS INC. (TICKER: MNI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,823.

-30- 372
#90255c0439 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, SEYMOUR S GOLDBERG, DIR. OF MEDICAL PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: MPP), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 325
#90255c0441 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN A WINDOLF, DIR. OF MONTCLAIR BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MSBI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,750.

-30- 324
#90255c0442 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STEVEN A BALLMER, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $60.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90255c0443 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STEVEN A BALLMER, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 90,000 SHARES AT $60.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90255c0444 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STEVEN A BALLMER, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 55,000 SHARES AT $60.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90255c0445 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, STEVEN A BALLMER, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $60.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,017,004.

-30- 308
#90255c0446 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOACHIM KEMPIN, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 21,544 SHARES AT $53.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90255c0447 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DARIUS W GASKINS JR, DIR. OF THE MID-SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: MSRR), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 315
#90255c0449 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH R ALOSA, DIR. OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SAVINGS BANK CORP. (TICKER: NHSB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90255c0450 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOSEPH R ALOSA, DIR. OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SAVINGS BANK CORP. (TICKER: NHSB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,500.

-30- 338
#90255c0451 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM T BALLANTINE, DIV. OFFICER OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: NPRS), BOUGHT 44,000 SHARES AT $1.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,000.

-30- 349
#90255c0452 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM W GOODSON JR, DIR. OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: NPRS), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $1.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 330
#90255c0453 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN J GRAHAM, DIR. OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: NPRS), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $1.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,528.

-30- 322
#90255c0454 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MATTHEW W HARDEY, OFFICER OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: NPRS), BOUGHT 25,700 SHARES AT $1.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,722.

-30- 331
#90255c0455 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOHN W KLUGE, DIR. OF NAC RE CORP. (TICKER: NREC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,019,438.

-30- 302
#90255c0457 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CHARLES B EVANS, DIR. OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90255c0458 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, THOMAS R HOLLERN, VP OF OHIO BANCORP. (TICKER: OHBC), BOUGHT 235 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 964.

-30- 298
#90255c0459 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RAYMOND S WATERS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ONE PRICE CLOTHING STORES INC. (TICKER: ONPR), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 219,433.

-30- 365
#90255c0460 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN W KLUGE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ORION PICTURES CORP. (TICKER: OPC), BOUGHT 24,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,062,740.

-30- 349
#90255c0461 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, METROMEDIA CO, BEN. OWNER OF ORION PICTURES CORP. (TICKER: OPC), BOUGHT 24,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,062,740.

-30- 334
#90255c0462 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, STUART SUBOTNICK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ORION PICTURES CORP. (TICKER: OPC), BOUGHT 24,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,077,740.

-30- 355
#90255c0463 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM L FROST, DIR. OF OVERSEAS SHIPHOLDING GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSG), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 337
#90255c0465 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WILLIAM K REZTER, SHAREHOLDER OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90255c0466 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, WILLIAM K REZTER, SHAREHOLDER OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 374
#90255c0467 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, PHILIP M BURCH, OFFICER OF PARKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: PKD), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 313
#90255c0468 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, WILLIAM W PRITCHARD, VP OF PARKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: PKD), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,733.

-30- 313
#90255c0469 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, R MICHAEL STILL, VP OF PARKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: PKD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 82,000.

-30- 311
#90255c0470 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ALTON L MONTGOMERY, DIR. OF PONDER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNDR), BOUGHT 2,250 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,527.

-30- 320
#90255c0471 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, MACK M PONDER, PRES. OF PONDER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNDR), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,851.

-30- 312
#90255c0473 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, STANLEY R RAWN JR, DIR. OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), SOLD 19,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,630.

-30- 322
#90255c0474 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CHARLES E GATES, PRES. OF PRICE/STERN/SLOAN INC. (TICKER: PSSP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 86,634.

-30- 325
#90255c0475 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOSEPH CHADWICK, DIR. OF PULSE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PULS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,700.

-30- 316
#90255c0476 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ALEX R RODRIGUEZ, OFFICER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90255c0477 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ALEX R RODRIGUEZ, OFFICER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90255c0478 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ALEX R RODRIGUEZ, OFFICER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90255c0479 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ALEX R RODRIGUEZ, OFFICER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90255c0481 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ALEX R RODRIGUEZ, OFFICER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,900.

-30- 335

#90255c0482 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, AG MASON DIRICKSON, OFFICER OF RICHFOOD HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: RCHF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 327
#90255c0483 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, MARTHA B WARD, OFFICER OF RICHFOOD HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: RCHF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 317
#90255c0484 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DONALD C PLATTEN, DIR. OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 327
#90255c0485 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON BANCORPORATION (TICKER: SBOS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90255c0486 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON BANCORPORATION (TICKER: SBOS), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 779,331.

-30- 341
#90255c0487 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JERRY H GUINN, PRES. OF SERVICE FRACTURING CO. (TICKER:

SERF), SOLD 42,600 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,605.

-30- 315
#90255c0489 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT M AUSTIN, VP OF SILICON GENERAL INC. (TICKER: SILN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90255c0490 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT M AUSTIN, VP OF SILICON GENERAL INC. (TICKER: SILN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,300.

-30- 314
#90255c0491 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JEROME J GOLDSTEIN, CHAIRMAN OF SCOTTS LIQUID GOLD INC. (TICKER: SLIQ), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.51 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,481,332.

-30- 343
#90255c0492 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, KENNETH E HAUGHTON, DIR. OF SOLECTRON CORP. (TICKER: SLTN), SOLD 3,034 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,300.

-30- 314
#90255c0493 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ARTZI AMATZIA BEN, OFFICER OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303

#90255c0494 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ARTZI AMATZIA BEN, OFFICER OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90255c0495 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ARTZI AMATZIA BEN, OFFICER OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90255c0497 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MICHAEL M CLAIR, OFFICER OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90255c0498 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, MICHAEL M CLAIR, OFFICER OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90255c0499 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, MICHAEL M CLAIR, OFFICER OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 184,564.

-30- 342
#90255c0500 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RONALD V SCHMIDT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90255c0501 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RONALD V SCHMIDT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90255c0502 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RONALD V SCHMIDT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90255c0503 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RONALD V SCHMIDT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 698,000.

-30- 365
#90255c0505 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, NICHOLAS B BINKLEY, OFFICER OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $27.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,546.

-30- 332
#90255c0506 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN F KOOKEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,364.

-30- 343
#90255c0507 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DAVID R LOVEJOY, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER:

SPC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $26.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,912.

-30- 321
#90255c0508 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT H SMITH, SHAREHOLDER OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 103,272.

-30- 334
#90255c0509 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CLEM W FAIRCHILD, DIR. OF STUART HALL CO. (TICKER: STUH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,333.

-30- 316
#90255c0510 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, GEORGE B GAUL, DIR. OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 15,200 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 151,512.

-30- 324
#90255c0511 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MANFRED STEINFELD, CHAIRMAN OF SHELBY WILLIAMS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SY), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,550,000.

-30- 342
#90255c0513 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GARY G HENDRIX, VP OF SYMANTEC CORP. (TICKER: SYMC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,485.

-30- 301
#90255c0514 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LEIGH R WEINER, BEN. OWNER OF TOOTSIE ROLL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90255c0515 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LEIGH R WEINER, BEN. OWNER OF TOOTSIE ROLL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90255c0516 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LEIGH R WEINER, BEN. OWNER OF TOOTSIE ROLL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TR), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $34.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90255c0517 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LEIGH R WEINER, BEN. OWNER OF TOOTSIE ROLL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90255c0518 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LEIGH R WEINER, BEN. OWNER OF TOOTSIE ROLL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 294,575.

-30- 329
#90255c0519 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOHN A MISIASZEK, OFFICER OF TRANSMATION INC. (TICKER: TRNS), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,072.

-30- 320
#90255c0521 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, MELVIN H STEIN, OFFICER OF U.S. HEALTHCARE INC. (TICKER: USHC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90255c0522 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, MELVIN H STEIN, OFFICER OF U.S. HEALTHCARE INC. (TICKER: USHC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90255c0523 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, MELVIN H STEIN, OFFICER OF U.S. HEALTHCARE INC. (TICKER: USHC), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 320
#90255c0524 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, LEON C HIRSCH, CHAIRMAN OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $43.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90255c0525 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, LEON C HIRSCH, CHAIRMAN OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $43.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90255c0526 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LEON C HIRSCH, CHAIRMAN OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER:

USS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $43.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90255c0527 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LEON C HIRSCH, CHAIRMAN OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $43.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90255c0529 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LEON C HIRSCH, CHAIRMAN OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $43.02 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90255c0530 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, LEON C HIRSCH, CHAIRMAN OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $44.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90255c0531 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LEON C HIRSCH, CHAIRMAN OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $46.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,706,602.

-30- 325
#90255c0532 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MARIANNE SCIPIONE, OFFICER OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $47.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,108.

-30- 322
#90255c0533 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN W TUCKER JR, DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90255c0534 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN W TUCKER JR, DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90255c0535 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN W TUCKER JR, DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90255c0537 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, RONALD D ORDWAY, OFFICER OF VIDEO DISPLAY CORP. (TICKER: VIDE), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90255c0538 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, RONALD D ORDWAY, OFFICER OF VIDEO DISPLAY CORP. (TICKER: VIDE), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,660,844.

-30- 325
#90255c0539 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ARTHUR N DEWINTER, VP OF WAHLCO ENVIRONMENTAL SYS INC. (TICKER: WAL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 330

#90255c0540 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GARY J FERNANDES, DIR. OF WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: WCTV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90255c0541 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, GARY J FERNANDES, DIR. OF WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: WCTV), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $9.17 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90255c0542 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, GARY J FERNANDES, DIR. OF WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: WCTV), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,000.

-30- 340
#90255c0543 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, CHRISTINE G LIVENGOOD, VP OF WOODBINE PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: WDBN), BOUGHT 71,417 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 118,117.

-30- 332
#90255c0545 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, STANLEY COHEN, DIR. OF WORDSTAR INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WDST), BOUGHT 350,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 427,500.

-30- 326
#90255c0546 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, C FRAYER KIMBALL III, DIR. OF THE WISER OIL CO. (TICKER: WISE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90255c0547 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, C FRAYER KIMBALL III, DIR. OF THE WISER OIL CO. (TICKER: WISE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,128.

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FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DON L WILHELM, DIR. OF WASHINGTON NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: WNT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

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#90255c0549 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF WOLF FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: WOFG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

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#90255c0550 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF WOLF FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: WOFG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 438,343.

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#90255c0551 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RONALD D JEANCON, DIR. OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO), BOUGHT 4,600 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

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#90255c0553 09/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, MAXWELL M POWELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EXOVIR INC. (TICKER: XOVR), BOUGHT 33,766 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 365,016.

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#90255d0970 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 12) - China has made promising oil finds in northwestern Xinjiang province and announced the opening of a new offshore oil and gas well in the East China Sea.

The official China Daily said more than 20 exploratory wells had tapped oil and dozens of others appeared promising in Xinjiang's Tarim basin, considered China's richest oilfield.

The state-run China National Oil and Gas Corp. estimated last year that the 560,000 square kilometer (224,000 square mile) basin harbored some 10.1 billion tonnes in petroleum reserves, or a sixth of the country's total.

The official New China News Agency (NCNA) meanwhile reported that a new offshore oil and natural gas well had been opened some 400 kilometers (250 miles) southeast of Shanghai in the East China Sea.

The well, the 19th tapped since China began offshore oil exploration in 1974, has a capacity of 210 cubic meters of oil and 269,000 cubic meters of gas per day, the agency said.

China has said it would soon allow foreign oil companies access to the East China Sea. They are currently limited to the Bo Hai Gulf and the South China Sea.

Foreign firms are still not authorized to exploit China's onshore fields, the source of more than 99 percent of the 136 million tonnes (2.7 million barrels per day) of crude oil produced by China last year.

China, a net exporter of oil, does not appear to be significantly affected by the Gulf crisis which has pushed the international oil price to above 30 dollars per barrel from 21 dollars before Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90255d0980 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (SEPT. 12) - The Australian Government will redeem 515 million U.S. dollars in outstanding bonds on the United States market as the next stage of its foreign debt redemption program, Treasurer Paul Keating said Wednesday.

Mr. Keating said in a statement that U.S. merchant bank Salomon Brothers would tender for the bonds.

Australia expected to redeem a significant amount of the targetted bonds ahead of their maturity dates, he said.

The tender was "another step in the government's overall strategy of using surpluses to repay both foreign currency and domestic debt," Mr. Keating said.

As a percentage of gross domestic product, Canberra's external debt has fallen from 5.8 percent at June 30, 1986 to 1.8 percent at June 30, 1990, the treasurer said.

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#90255d1010 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 12) - Singapore Aerospace (SA), a defense company recently floated as part of the government's privatisation program, has announced its third joint venture in a month to penetrate the U.S. and European markets.

The company, which specialises in aircraft maintenance and modification, will invest six million U.S. dollars in a venture to overhaul engines on Boeing 727 aircraft before they are leased or sold to airline operators worldwide.

A statement issued Tuesday said SA would take up a 20 percent stake in the V-One Aircraft Leasing Company, a tie-up with International Aircraft Services,

Valsan Partnership, Christiana Bank and Bank Brussels Lambert Aviation.

It said the deal was aimed at giving SA a "strategic foothold" in the engineering and aircraft management markets of the United States and Europe, but provided no other details.

There was no indication where the company would be based. SA officials were unavailable for comment.

Singapore Aerospace, an aviation arm of the government-run Singapore Technologies, last month announced plans to buy a 20 million U.S. dollar installation in the southern U.S. state of Alabama to service Boeing 747 jets and grab a foothold in the American market.

It announced plans last week to form a 50-50 joint venture with Britain's Aviation Group to create Qualitair Rotables Services, which will

specialise in the management and supply of spares for Boeing 737 aircraft.

SA, which was listed on the local stock market last month, has said it would use part of the flotation proceeds of about 145 million Singapore dollars (82 million U.S.) to invest in companies "at current attractive prices."

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#90255d1060 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 12) - BMW Japan Corp. anticipates record sales in Japan this year, corporate president Hans-Peter Sonnenbonn said here Wednesday.

Speaking at a news conference unveiling a new coupe sport model, the BMW 850-I, Sonnenbonn said the sales situation continued to be rather ''favorable'' this year.

Sonnenbonn said BMW japan estimated total sales volume to amount to around 34,000 units by the end of the year, a 15 percent increase over last year.

In addition, he said, 4,000 units also will be registered by parallel importers, bringing total sales to a record of around 38,000 units.

The BMW 850-I, employing the 5-litre, 12-cylinder eingine, is the second 12-cylinder automobile made in Germany after the BMW 750-I, introduced in 1986.

The new coupe will be priced at 14.5 million yen (103,570 dollars) as of November due to the depreciation of the Japanese yen against the Deutschmark, the president explained.

BMW A.G.'s total production of 850-I cars next year will be limited on 11,000 units worldwide, of which 1,300 units or 12 percent are allocated for Japan, he said.

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#90255d1080 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Moscow (SEPT. 12) - The Soviet parliament began deliberations here Wednesday on Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's economic reform strategy which combines the approaches of embattled Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov and radical economist Stanislav Shatalin.

The Soviet leader was to unveil details of the scheme for a 500-day transition period to a free enterprise economy.

In stressing the urgency of making the transition, Gorbachev indicated Tuesday that he leaned more towards Shatalin's ideas, but said it was up to

parliament to hammer out the differences between his and those of Ryzhkov, whose proposals he called unconvincing.

''We must make an effort to come to a unified document,'' Gorbachev told parliament. ''We are coming closer to this solution.''

Gorbachev said he was ''personally more impressed by the Shatalin project'' in which the interests of the individual Soviet republics are given greater consideration.

''If what is at stake is a real plan to stabilise the financing, the money in circulation, the ruble and the market, then one must accept Shatalin's ideas,'' the Kremlin leader said.

''Just how our society will look in the period ahead will depend on which choice we make,'' Gorbachev said.

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#90255d1230 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAMMU, India (SEPT. 12) - Six Moslem militants were among 12 people killed in continuing violence in India's northern Kashmir state, where Moslems are campaigning for secession, officials said Wednesday.

All the killings were reported overnight Tuesday.

The six militants were shot dead by security forces in Kashmir's Uri sector when they sneaked into India from neighbouring Pakistan, an official spokesman said in this winter capital of Jammu and Kashmir state.

The killings came hours after at least 29 people were killed when Moslem militants travelling in a bus fought a fierce gunbattle with security forces in the Kashmir valley.

Moslem separatists also shot dead four civilians and two paramilitary troopers elsewhere in Kashmir, India's only Moslem-majority state, which borders Pakistan and China.

One soldier of the paramilitary Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) was killed in a gunbattle with militants in Srinagar, the urban hub of the homeland campaign and Kashmir's summer capital.

Two security personnel and eight civilians were wounded in the fight.

Another CRPF trooper wounded in an earlier gunbattle also died late Tuesday, the spokesman said.

At least 1,576 people have died this year in the Moslem secessionist

campaign in Kashmir. India accuses Pakistan, with which it has fought two wars over Kashmir, of arming and supporting the militants.

Pakistan, which disputes Kashmir and controls one-third of the province, denies the charges, but gives overt moral support to the militants.

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#90255d1340 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 12) - At least 74 people were killed and 352 injured when Typhoon Dot ripped through China's southeastern province of Fujian last weekend, a local official said Wednesday.

Officials had earlier put the death toll at 60.

The typhoon affected more than 4.2 million residents and destroyed 45,000 houses, a foreign ministry spokesman in Fujian said by telephone.

Typhoon Cecil had killed 43 people and injured 135 last week in neighbouring Zhejiang province, where 159 people also died and 538 were injured in two typhoons last month.

Separately, the People's Daily said Wednesday that forest fires in August had killed one person and injured about 15 in drought-stricken Sichuan province in the southwest.

The newspaper added that Guizhou and Hunan provinces and Guangxi region in the south were also hit by drought and were at risk of fires.

The English-language China Daily said Tuesday that Hubei and Hunan provinces in the south were suffering the most serious drought in 10 years and added that more than 3.2 million hectares (7.9 million acres) of farmland were threatened.

The semi-official China News Service said in early September that 737,000 hectares (1.8 million acres) of farmland had totally dried up in the southern province of Guangdong.

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#90255d1350 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 12) - Syarikat Telekom Malaysia Bhd. (STM), Malaysia's privatised telecommunications company, said Wednesday it would float 470.5 million shares next month despite uncertainty in the Middle East.

STM chairman Rashdan Baba told a news conference that the company had been given approval to issue 470.5 million new par value shares of one dollar

each (37 U.S. cents) priced at five dollars (1.85 U.S. dollars).

Mr. Rashdan said that the company had decided to go ahead with the listing despite uncertainty over the Gulf crisis because it felt that the Malaysian economy was fundamentally strong and telecommunications stocks were generally very resilient.

Details of the allocation of the share issue and the dates of the offer, which represents 23.9 percent of the company's enlarged share capital, and the listing, expected in early November, would be announced later, he said.

Deputy Prime Minister Ghafar Baba said last month that the government had decided to sell an unspecified number of STM shares to foreign investors at a price higher than that fixed for local buyers.

The company's issued and paid-up capital would be increased from the current level of 500 million dollars (185 million U.S.) to 1.5 billion dollars (556 million U.S.) through a two for one bonus issue to its current shareholder, the Ministry of Finance Inc.

This will be further increased to 1.97 billion dollars (729 million U.S.) with the new share issue.

Mr. Rashdan said the proceeds of the issue would be used to pre-pay 1.8 billion dollars (667 million U.S.) of the company's borrowings from the government, as well as add to its working capital and fund its expansion programme.

He said STM's loans from the government totalled 3.9 billion dollars (1.44 billion) at the end of last year.

The company has forecast a pre-tax profit of 550 million dollars (204 million U.S.) for this year and 900 million dollars (333 million) in 1991. It made a pre-tax profit of 365 million dollars (136 million U.S) last year.

STM is the first public utility entity and the largest government corporation to go public. It was corporatised in 1987 to prepare for public listing.

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#90255d1360 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 12) - China has signed joint venture agreements totalling over 1.3 billion U.S. dollars at the four-day Fujian Investment and Trade Symposium, with its rival Taiwan heading the list, a newspaper reported here Wednesday.

Of the 1.356 billion U.S. dollar contracts signed for 723 projects, foreign investments stood at 1.037 billion U.S. dollars, the Wen Wei Po said.

It added that Taiwan topped the list of investors with contracts worth 621 million U.S. dollars, despite Taipei's recent legislation limiting Taiwan investment on the mainland.

The symposium, which closed Tuesday in Xiamen, one of China's four major special economic zones in eastern coastal Fujian province, was attended by nearly 1,500 foreign businessmen from 28 countries and regions including Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan.

The report said Hong Kong and Macau shared second place in amounts invested, totalling 498 million U.S. dollars.

Southeast Asian countries accounted for 6.29 per cent of the investments, and other countries 11.6 per cent, including the United States, Britain and Western Europe.

During the first day of the symposium, contracts worth a total of 170 million U.S. dollars were signed with foreign investors from Hong Kong, Taiwan, the United States, Japan, the Philippines and Macau in the fields of light industry, textiles, construction, electronics, machinery, metallurgy and petrochemicals, Wen Wei Po said.

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#90255d1390 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 12) - Saudi Arabia has donated five million dollars to help Bangladeshi and other Moslem refugees living in Jordan after fleeing Iraq and Kuwait, the Saudi Press Agency said Wednesday.

The offer of assistance by King Fahd has been communicated to the international organizations concerned, the agency said.

Tens of thousands of refugees, most of them from South Asia, are living in precarious conditions in several overcrowded transit camps around Amman and on the Iraqi-Jordanian border, often short of food and water.

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#90255d1450 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (SEPT. 12) - Total foreign investment in Vietnam, mainly from Europe, has doubled in the past year to surpass 1.2 billion dollars, official figures released here Wednesday showed.

Investment in Vietnam amounted to 636.8 million dollars in the previous year. Hanoi started allowing foreign investment in December 1986.

Foreign experts said that investment could see a major rise -- mainly from so far relatively wary Asian countries -- if a solution is reached to the war in Cambodia, where Hanoi backs the Phnom Penh government.

"Vietnam has given approval up to now for 183 foreign firms to invest in the country, with a total capital of more than 1.2 billion dollars," the State Committee for Cooperation and Foreign Investment reported.

"Thirty other foreign investment projects in different sectors are currently being studied," the committee added, without specifying the amount involved.

According to a study by Western experts, two thirds of the investment -- mostly in oil exploration, agriculture and marine products -- was made by European countries.

Britain topped the list of capitalist nations investing in Vietnam last year, accounting for 30.01 percent, followed by France with 21.44 percent, and the Netherlands with 19.03 percent, the study said.

The three focused their investment on oil exploration, it added.

The study revealed that Asian investment in the same period remained weak -- save for India and Australia accounting for 10.99 percent and 9.08 percent respectively -- with Japan representing only 0.03 percent of the total.

South Korea accounted for 0.72 percent, Singapore 0.54 percent, Thailand 1.11 percent and Hong Kong 5.63 percent.

Asian countries' lack of investment and the non-existence of American capital in Vietnam is a result of the Cambodian civil war and a U.S. economic embargo imposed on Hanoi after its December 1978 invasion of Cambodia.

But a breakthrough agreement between the warring factions reached Monday in Jakarta that adopted a U.N. peace framework could lead to peace in Cambodia,
one of Washington's preconditions for restoring ties with Hanoi.

Meanwhile illegal trade between Vietnam and other Asian countries is flourishing, with contraband reaching southern Vietnam in the first six months of 1990 worth 100 million dollars and 24 tonnes of gold, official reports say.

Experts expect an influx of Asian investment in Vietnam after a resolution in Cambodia, starting with Thailand.

Thai Prime Minister Chatichai Choohavan said in 1988 that he wanted to turn the battlefields of Indochina into economic markets.

Such efforts would also be helped by a return of aid from international lending organizations to Vietnam, frozen since Hanoi's invasion of Cambodia.

Vietnam can expect a substantial quantity of such aid once the Cambodian issue is resolved, as its total debt to these bodies at present amounts only to some 300 million dollars.

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#90255d1460 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN (SEPT. 12) - The Swedish Volvo and French Renault auto companies might buy the Czechoslovak Skoda or Tatra car manufacturers, the Goeteborg Posten newspaper reported on Wednesday.

The managing director of Volvo Pehr G. Gyllenhammar and the head of Renault Raymond Levy were due to be members of a delegation which would visit Prague within the next few days during an official visit by French President Francois Mitterrand, the report said.

Renault has for long had its eyes on Skoda while Volvo would prefer the two companies to buy Tatra, the report said.

Skoda produces about 200,000 cars per year and Tatra about 5,000. Volvo and Renault have established a close corporate relationship.

The Volvo management was quoted as saying that "it is quite normal that the two partners should participate jointly in preparing a possible project to buy an auto company".

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#90255d1540 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Seoul (SEPT. 12) - Floods spawned by two days of torrential rainfall have claimed at least 70 lives and left more than 66,000 people homeless in South Korea, with the toll expected to rise Wednesday.

The sun was out in Seoul Wednesday for the first time since the weekend, but the rain-swollen Han River was still a record 11.27 metres above flood stage.

The river breached a 5-metre-high dam west of the capital early Wednesday, putting over 5,000 hectares of rice paddies under water, police said.

Some 45,000 farmers were forced to leave their homes early Wednesday, and a short time later only rooftops were visible above swirling brown flood waters.

Hundreds of volunteers paddled through the waters in rubber boats in search of people and livestock overtaken by the flooding.

Torrential rainfall and gusty winds gave the South Korean capital its worst pounding since the devastating rain storm of 1984. Schools were closed and many neighbourhoods experienced flooding.

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#90255d1580 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 12) - A blast rocked the offices of the ruling National Party (Np) in the South African capital Pretoria early Wednesday, causing damage but injuring no-one, party officials said.

The party's regional secretary, Danie Labuschagne, said commercial explosives had been placed in a drum near the window of the office, situated in the suburb of Waterkloof.

This is the third attack on Np offices this year.

White supremacists opposed to the government's reform policies and its negotiations with the black liberation movement, the African National Congress (Anc), were suspected of planting bombs at Np offices in Johannesburg in July.

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#90255d1590 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (SEPT. 12) - Czechoslovakia is looking into "the possibility of providing military assistance to Egypt and medical aid to Saudi Arabia," President Vaclav Havel said in an interview Wednesday with AFP.

He said Prague had "firmly and unambiguously" condemned Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and was resolved "to take part in the embargo against Iraq despite the enormous sums that country owes us and which we could otherwise exchange for the oil which we so sorely need."

He said Czechoslovakia "knows only too well from past experience where policies of appeasement and concessions to the forces of evil are likely to lead".

In this respect, he said visits which French President Francois Mitterrand and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher will make here this week took on "a symbolic importance" almost 52 years to the day since the Munich

agreement of September 29 1938 by which France and Britain endorsed Hitler's seizure of Sudetenland.

The visits would "close the book on an unhappy chapter of our history even if this is not their main purpose" President Havel said.

On relations with France, he said a "broad political consensus" was not reflected in the development of economic ties where he said West Germany was leading the field in cashing in on Czechoslovakia's economic reforms.

"This has nothing to do with any political desire on our part but results from their dynamism and sometimes more advantageous offers..... After all, business is business."

However he said Czechoslovaks should avoid allowing their country to become "once again the private reserve of a single country. We want balanced political and economic relations with European and non-European powers."

President Havel said that as part of its "opening up to Europe" Czechoslovakia was hoping to be chosen as the site of the permanent headquarters of the Conference for Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE).

The decision to set up a permanent secretariat was taken at a summit of the 35 CSCE states (all Europe excluding Albania plus the United States and Canada) in Paris last November.

He said his government already had in a mind a palace near the Prague presidency to house the CSCE staff. But he said Prague "can just as well host any other specific organisation created under the Helsinki process, for example an environmental centre or a body concerned with democracy and free elections".

On domestic policy, he said he was "following very closely" the preparations and first stage of privatisations in Czechoslovakia. The rules "will shortly be finalised" for the first phase which concerns small firms nationalised by the communists. "We must create conditions favourable to the former owners and workers" of privatised inns, restaurants, shops and workshops, and "avoid a takeover by traffickers and people who got rich under the communists".

On municipal elections scheduled for November 23 and 24, President Havel said the purpose was above all to "install decentralised administrations and competent and honest officials".

This was "more important than the percentage of votes" obtained by the ruling coalition, the president said.

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#90255d1620 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (SEPT. 12) - Vietnam, which has opened its doors to foreign investment, will stage its first international ruby auction in Hanoi next month, a Thai company official said Wednesday.

''The ruby comes from a previously undiscovered source,'' said Steve Reynolds, who is organizing the unprecedented auction for B.H. Mining Company,
a Thai firm.

B.H. Mining signed a joint venture with the Vietnamese government in December, 1988, for a gem mining concession in Luc Yen district, about 270 kilometres north of Hanoi.

''We were the first mining company to sign a deal with the Vietnamese government,'' said Frits Ariesen, general manager of B.H. Mining.

Although so far the company has failed to discover any huge single deposits of rubies, precious stones indigenous to Southeast Asia, enough gems have been found to hold an auction in late October. A firm date had not yet been set.

''The amount of ruby rough we will be offering for sale is quite sizeable. The total weight is 225 kilograms which is equal to 1,125,000 carats,'' said Reynolds.

Vietnam opened its doors to foreign investment in late 1987, when it passed a foreign investment code.

So far the communist country has licensed 183 foreign investment projects with total capital of nearly 1.21 billion dollars, the Vietnam News Agency (Vna) reported Wednesday.

''Investors whose total investment exceeds 100 million dollars are from Britain, Canada, Holland, Hong Kong, France and Australia. Most of them invest in oil and gas exploration,'' said Vna.

A u.S.-led embargo prohibits American and to some extent, Japanese companies from investing in Vietnam.

-30- 1839
#90255d1640 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAHORE, Pakistan (SEPT. 12) - Pakistan's interim government Wednesday filed two new complaints against ousted premier Benazir Bhutto as police arrested a second of her ministers.

The complaints, filed in a special court in Lahore on behalf of President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, concern a land deal and allotment of a contract for liquified petroleum gas.

Official sources said hearings were to start Saturday in a special court headed by Justice Rashid Aziz Khan, who must decide whether the complaints carry enough weight to merit filing charges against the former premier.

The single-judge court is already handling a case of alleged illegal bank transactions by Ghulam Mohammed Maneka, formerly a minister in Ms. Bhutto's 20-month government.

The government Monday filed two complaints against Ms. Bhutto in a special court in Karachi in connection with the appointment of a consultant for an Asian Development Bank power project and awarding of a contract for the export of cotton at below-market prices.

If convicted, Ms. Bhutto could be disqualified from participating in politics for seven years, officials said.

Of the cases filed Wednesday, one involves the sale of 287 acres of valuable land in the capital Islamabad for a nominal price on which a hotel was to be built, the sources said.

The other involves the alleged awarding of liquefied gas contracts to favorites, they said.

According to the official Associated Press of Pakistan (APP), the cases filed in Karachi involve alleged decisions by Ms. Bhutto that would have caused a loss of more than 9.17 million dollars in foreign exchange to the public exchequer.

In a related development, police Tuesday arrested a second minister from Ms. Bhutto's ousted government as he went to register his candidacy for Pakistan's October 24 elections, official sources said Wednesday in Quetta.

Baz Mohammad Khetran was accused of misappropriating four million rupees (180,000 dollars) during his term as minister for environment and local governments, they said.

Another former minister, Mohammed Akbar Lasi, was arrested September 1 on charges of misappropriating government funds.

At least seven of Ms. Bhutto's former ministers are facing corruption charges, along with her businessman husband Asif Ali Zardari who has been accused of illegal financial dealings.

Ms. Bhutto has expressed no confidence in the courts and said the accountability process was aimed at keeping her Pakistan People's Party out of next month's elections.

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#90255d1660 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 12) - Malaysia's Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad met with South Korean President Roh Tae-Woo here Wednesday and agreed the two countries should increase bilateral economic cooperation, a presidential spokesman said.

During an hour-long meeting at the Blue House, South Korea's presidential residence, they agreed the two countries should cooperate especially in joint development of resources, he said.

They also agreed that Kuala Lumpur and Seoul should strengthen bilateral cooperation in international fora, including the United Nations, and make joint efforts for the security and prosperity of the Asia-Pacific region.

Dr. Mahathir, who arrived here Tuesday on a four-day official visit, earlier met with Prime Minister Kang Young-Hoon.

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#90255d1680 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 12) - A Chinese dissident group in exile has expressed concern over the fate of a Chinese pilot sent back to China after he landed a plane in the Soviet Union in a bid to defect.

The Federation for Democracy in China, in a statement released here Tuesday,

said it had no further news of Fan Baoyu, an air force pilot who landed a MiG-19 in Vladivostok last month and was expelled by Soviet authorities on August 29.

The pilot had said he was hoping to seek political asylum in the United States.

The Federation for Democracy in China "strongly condemned" the Soviet decision to order the pilot home where it said he could face the death penalty.

The organization in exile called the Soviet move a "serious blow to human rights principles" and said it would have preferred to see the Soviet Union "treat the affair in a humanitarian way."

The group said its spokesman had lodged a protest before the second International Human Rights Conference held in Leningrad early this month.

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#90255d1700 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 12) - A bomb exploded inside a church-run Manila university Wednesday, causing slight damage and no injuries, the school's chief security officer said.

The blast came about 17 hours after an explosion in an army camp triggered fears of a renewed bombing campaign by suspected rebel soldiers.

Night-time blasts rocked government and private targets in late August but died down early this month after the military intensified patrols.

The explosive device which went off Wednesday had a timing device and was planted on a table inside the main building of the University of Santo Tomas,

damaging the table, university security supervisor Alfonso Cuarteron said.

"It was meant to frighten people," he said over radio station DZMM, adding that the school had been receiving "almost daily" telephoned anonymous bomb threats prior to the blast, the 24th recorded in and around the capital in the past month.

Mr. Cuarteron said classes were not disrupted.

Meanwhile, army chief Major General Guillermo Flores Wednesday blamed right-wing military rebels for a bomb blast which damaged a tennis court and a car parked inside the Fort Bonifacio army headquarters in suburban Manila late Tuesday, the official Philippine News Agency said.

The army camp blast occurred two days after the military foiled an attempt by military renegades to steal a cache of firearms from a military hospital armory in preparation for a new coup attempt.

President Corazon Aquino has weathered six coup attempts in the past four years.

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#90255d1810 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 12) - Nine criminals were executed after being condemned to death in Shanghai between September 7 and 10, the city's Liberation Daily reported.

Six of the criminals were thieves, two were murderers and one was a pimp, according to the newspaper's Tuesday edition, which reached Beijing Wednesday.

The newspaper said the pimp, Yao Wenjie, had spent three years in prison and with two accomplices forced 12 women to work as prostitutes in the southeastern provinces of Guangdong and Fujian.

The activities earned them 30,000 yuan (6,330 U.S. dollars), it said.

White slavery is one of the "six vices" identified in an ongoing anti-crime drive. The others are pornography, drug trafficking and abuse, gambling, "feudal superstitions" and prostitution.

The anti-crime drive has led to at least 1,000 executions since it was launched in May, according to reports in the official press.

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#90255d1860 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRID (SEPT. 12) - The closure of Iraqi pipelines through Turkey has already cost Ankara four billion dollars, Turkish President Turgut Ozal said in an interview published in the Spanish press Wednesday.

He told the Madrid daily ABC that Turkey "is not planning to ask the West for compensation" but he noted that if Ankara had not agreed to comply with U.N. sanctions, "Iraq could survive the embargo".

Mr. Ozal said Western governments were "the main beneficiaries of our losses. How and to what degree they will provide compensation depends on them."

He said if the embargo continued to be enforced in its present form "the risk of war may recede."

The Turkish leader said war against Iraq should be a "last resort" and he believed there was a "99 percent chance of peace".

On Turkey's chances of joining the European Economic Community (EEC), Mr. Ozal said he believed Turkey was better placed for this than such countries as Poland or Czechoslovakia.

The latter "have a long way to go before they reach the same level of democracy and readiness (for EEC membership) as ourselves," he said.

In a related development, Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash arrived Wednesday in Ankara to discuss the application by the Cypriot government in Nicosia to join the EEC.

Mr. Denktash is leader of the breakaway Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus which only Turkey recognises.

Mr. Denktash noted that under an agreement signed in London in 1960, Cyprus "may not join an economic union of which Turkey is not a member". If Cyprus were allowed to join the EEC, this would signify EEC acknowledgement of the partition of Cyprus, said Mr. Denktash quoted by the Turkish semi-official agency Anatolia.

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#90255d1930 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (SEPT. 12) - Foreign Minister David Levy Wednesday hailed what he called a new climate of confidence between Israel and the United States and expressed the hope that Moscow would soon resume ties with the Jewish state.

"The excellent talks I had with President George Bush and Secretary of State James Baker established a new climate of confidence between Jerusalem and Washington," Mr. Levy said on his return from a nine-day visit to the United States.

The Israeli foreign minister particularly welcomed what he said was Washington's view that "there should be no link between resolving the Gulf crisis and other problems," in an apparent reference to the Palestinian issue.

Last week, during his trip, Mr. Levy said he had obtained promises that Washington would continue to ensure Israeli military superiority in the Middle East and "work for an end to Arab belligerence against Israel."

Turning to Israel's relations with the Soviet Union, Mr. Levy told reporters at Ben Gurion airport that he hoped diplomatic ties broken off by Moscow in June 1967 would be restored soon.

He said he would be meeting in two weeks time with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze as well as with Mr. Baker at the opening of the United Nations General Assembly in New York.

Mr. Levy did not rule out a role for Moscow in the peace process, after the normalisation of its ties with Israel, but reiterated his government's opposition to the Soviet call for an international Middle East peace conference.

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#90255d2030 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 12) - Malaysia Airlines (MAS) and All-Nippon Airways (ANA), one of Japan's three major airlines, will jointly launch two services a week between Kuala Lumpur and Nagoya from November.

A statement issued by the Japan Information Service here Wednesday also said that Japan Airlines would increase flights between Tokyo and Kuala Lumpur from five to six a week from November 1991.

MAS will also increase flights between Kuala Lumpur and Fukuoka from two a week to three a week from April next year.

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#90255d2070 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 12) - Japan's exports to Iraq and Kuwait plunged in August as the impact of trade sanctions began to bite, but imports from the two countries fell less sharply, the Finance Ministry said Wednesday.

Exports to Iraq tumbled 78.3 percent from a year earlier to nine million dollars and were also down sharply from 43 million dollars in July, the ministry said.

Shipments of Japanese goods to Kuwait plummetted 86.6 percent to seven million dollars, down from 62 million dollars the previous month.

"Japanese companies started to limit sales of goods to those nations in early August before Tokyo issued the trade embargo," a ministry official said.

The government banned Japanese companies from trading with the two nations in mid-August following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

The ban had less impact on imports, however.

Imports from Iraq dropped only 30.6 percent from a year earlier to 82 million dollars and were up from 60 million dollars in July. Imports from Kuwait fell 32.3 percent to 124 million dollars, down from 215 million dollars the previous month.

"The impact of the trade embargo on imports will be felt after the impact on exports," the official said.

He explained that the latest trade figures included crude oil which was mostly shipped before August and took up to a month to reach Japan.

Japan's overall imports of crude oil came to 1.86 billion dollars in August,

down 0.5 percent from a year earlier but up from 1.54 billion dollars in July,
 the ministry said.

The average price of crude was 16.33 dollars a barrel, down from 17.19 dollars a year earlier but up from 15.40 dollars the previous month.

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#90255d2100 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 12) - North Korean President Kim Il-Sung is expected in Beijing Thursday for unannounced talks with Chinese leaders about improved relations with South Korea, the German Press Agency dpa learned Wednesday.

Well-informed North Korean sources told dpa Kim was also expected to discuss the impending normalization of ties between Moscow and Seoul and the warming in relations between China and South Korea.

Kim met secretly with Chinese Communist Party General Secretary Jiang Zemin in China Tuesday, according to a report Wednesday by South Korea's Yonahap news agency.

Their meeting took place in the northeastern Chinese city of Shenyang, the agency said. Yonhap, quoting what it called a reliable source, said Kim and the Chinese leader had discussed inter-Korean prime ministers' talks held in Seoul last week.

The South Korean news agency also said they talked on Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze's visit to Pyongyang earlier this month and the possible establishment of full diplomatic ties between Seoul and Moscow.

Also on the agenda in their talks was their cooperation for the upcoming Asian Games, starting September 22 in Beijing, the agency said.

Kim visited China in November last year and met China's top leader Deng Xiaoping to discuss democratic reforms in East Europe.

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#90255d2110 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 12) - South Korea said Wednesday it expected trade partners to allow Seoul to keep protecting its domestic rice market, as concessions on food security would be "complete surrender to foreign pressure."

South Korean rice farmers are so uncompetitive they could not cope with imports, said Kim Jong-Yong, director general for international cooperation at the Ministry of Agriculture.

In other areas South Korea is ready to fully open its markets, he said. But non-trade issues such as the need for self-sufficiency in rice, the most important staple here, had to be considered by trade negotiators currently meeting in Geneva.

The Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) is scheduled to end in December and aims at producing the most far-ranging world trading order ever devised.

"We cannot give up on rice due to its importance for security and its importance to our farmers," Mr. Kim said at a luncheon at the Seoul Foreign Correspondents' Club.

"I don't expect the Uruguay Round to say no in the case of rice. I believe they will positively consider that it is too crucial," he said.

The South Korean government heavily subsidizes its rice industry, buying 80-kilogram (176-pound) bags, or suks, from farmers for around 96,000 won (134 dollars) and selling it to retailers for 55,000 won (77 dollars).

The result has been a surplus expected to reach 11 million suks at the end of the year, Mr. Kim said. But without the subsidies, much cheaper rice from Southeast Asia would flood the market.

"If we fail to secure food security, that means complete surrender to foreign pressure. If we give up that last one, it would mean the total collapse of our agriculture," he said.

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#90255d2140 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 12) - British conglomerate BTR whose interests include Dunlopillo mattresses and Slazenger sports racquets said Wednesday its taxable profit rose seven percent in the first six months of this year to 530 million pounds (one billion dollars) from 497 million (937 million dollars).

Turnover for the group whose activities range from building materials to auto equipment was up 2.5 percent over the first half of last year at 3.47 billion pounds (6.5 billion dollars) from 3.39 billion (6.3 billion dollars).

The profit improvement came after a strict cost-control exercise which saw the payroll reduced by six percent, or 7,000 jobs.

The figures were in line with market forecasts of profit of between 520 and 550 million pounds, but BTR shares fell 12 pence on the news to 346 pence.

This was largely due to the fact that the group had changed its way of calculating exchange rate fluctuations which had added 14 million pounds to the profit figure, and the fact that interim dividend rose only four percent to seven pence from 6.7.

Earnings per share rose five percent to 17.4 pence from 16.5.

The market also reacted negatively to the announcement of a free isue of warrants to subscribe for ordinary shares.

But BTR said it was confident it could cope with worsening economic conditions provoked by the Gulf crisis because of the diversity of its activities and its markets.

"Priority is being given to the maintenance and improvement of margins," the group said.

The industrial goods, construction and transport sectors showed only a slight profit improvement in the first half, but the electrical division saw operating profit rise 42 percent while that in consumer goods was up nine per cent.

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#90255d2150 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ZURICH (SEPT. 12) - Swissair said Wednesday it was dropping plans to sell its stake in the Swissotel hotel chain to the Japanese group Aoki-Westin because of the uncertain situation on international financial markets.

The two sides had agreed in principle on the sale of Swissair's stake in Swissotel's 17 luxury hotels worldwide in March.

But negotiations were broken off by mutual agreement on Tuesday, Swissair said.

The airline said in a statement it intended to "keep all options open" and had decided not to go ahead wit the sale "in view of recent uncertainty in world financial market conditions."

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#90255d2260 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA, Sept 12 (AFP) - The Australian government on Wednesday removed

the 2.5 billion dollar (2.04 billion U.S.) ceiling on Australian Wool Corporation (AWC) borrowings to help it protect the wool floor price.

In what was seen as a rescue package, Primary Industries Minister John Kerin also announced measures aimed at forcing the wool industry to make plans to cut production and better manage its current crisis.

The industry had until October 1 to create a plan for managing its potential exposure for the rest of the 1990-91 season, Mr. Kerin said in a statement.

The minister also said he would lead an overseas wool mission to the Soviet Union and China to try to encourage these countries to resume wool purchases.

Despite wool farmers' opposition, Mr. Kerin on May 31 ordered the floor price to be cut from 8.70 dollars (7.10 U.S.) a kilogram to 7.00 dollars (5.71) in an effort to entice foreign buyers back into the market.

The AWC earlier this week asked the government to lift its borrowing limit, claiming that further stockpiling to protect the current floor price would exhaust its funds by December.

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#90255d2280 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 12) - Matsushita Electric Company (M) Berhad will invest 50 million Malaysian dollars (18.5 million U.S.) to build its fourth manufacturing plant in the country early next year, a company official said Wednesday.

Managing Director Tadashi Akita said the plant would cater to increased export demand and relieve the congestion at its plants in Shah Alam and Bangi in Selangor state.

He said the new plant, to be situated on a 17-acre site, would produce home appliances such as electric fans, rice cookers, gas cookers, blenders, heaters, vacuum cleaners and dry batteries for export to Japan and other countries.

All the products are now manufactured at the main plant in Shah Alam, while refrigerators and washing machines are produced at Bangi. A third plant at Port Klang manufactures electric irons and parts for other products.

Mr. Akita said the company would invest 20 million dollars (7.4 million U.S.) to upgrade its washing machine production at the Bangi plant.

He said the company exported about 5,000 washing machines per month to

Japan and 2,000 units per month to West Asia, while another 7,000 units were sold locally.

Matsushita Electric Co. (M) reported a 12.9 percent rise in group pre-tax profit in the year to March to 41.9 million dollars (15.5 million U.S.) on a 10.9 percent increase in turnover to 322.4 million dollars (119.4 million U.S.).

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#90255d2300 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 12) - Bank of Japan governor Yasushi Mieno Wednesday welcomed the yen's recent strength as a means of offsetting higher oil prices.

Mr. Mieno told a news conference that the yen's appreciation in recent weeks represented a "correction" from the Japanese unit's sharp decline to more than 160 to the dollar earlier this year.

"It is good that higher oil prices will be offset by a higher yen," he said.

The central bank governor added that the impact of higher oil prices on the Japanese economy would in any case be small compared with previous oil shocks, even if prices stabilized at around 30 dollars a barrel.

The yen rose to a 13-month high in heavy trading in Tokyo Wednesday, hitting 138.25 to the dollar at one stage before closing at 138.30.

Dealers said that life insurance firms and other institutions sold dollars amid fears that the U.S. Federal Reserve Board will let interest rates fall in an attempt to prop up a slowing economy.

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#90255d2360 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (SEPT. 12) - President Rauf Denktash of the breakaway Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (Trnc) warned here Wednesday that the ''Cyprus problem will be solved on a two-Cyprus basis if the European Community (E.C.) accepts the membership application of the Greek Cypriot government''.

He issued the warning on arrival for talks with Turkish President Turgut Ozal and government officials before the E.C. foreign ministers decide Monday whether to refer the Greek Cypriot application to the E.C. commission.

Denktash said if the Greek Cypriots eventually have their way, there will

be a southern Cyprus which is a member of the E.C. and a separate state in the north which is not.

Meanwhile Turkish Foreign Ministry spokesman Murat Sungar said the Turkish side would wait for the decision of the E.C. ministers before adopting countermeasures.

After the Greek Cypriot application to the E.C., Turkey and Trnc agreed on possible lifting of passport requirements for visits, a move that would consolidate the de-facto union between them.

As for the resumption of the U.N.-mediated talks between him and Greek Cypriot President George Vassiliou, Denktash said there would be no point in negotiating any further unless the Greek Cypriots accept Turkey's right to intervene as a guarantor power.

The talks for a federal settlement failed when the two leaders failed to bridge their differences in New York earlier this year.

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#90255d2390 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (SEPT. 12) - Nearly 14,000 Bangladeshis who fled Kuwait for Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Turkey have been brought home safely in an international airlift, but they know there is nothing for them here.

"It's nice to be here," said Nizam Uddim, 26, adding with a smile: "But I'm jobless."

He was one of 467 refugees flown in from Amman on the first of five flights arranged by the French government and the Geneva-based International Migrations Organisation.

He had been in Kuwait City eight years, working in a garage for 180 dinars (about 675 dollars) a month. Every month he sent his family in Bangladesh 100 dinars (375 dollars).

Bangladesh is a big exporter of manpower, and at the beginning of the Gulf crisis had 300,000 nationals there, about 80,000 of them in Kuwait and 10,000 in Iraq, according to diplomatic sources here.

According to a snap survey carried out in refugee camps in Jordan, each expatriate was supporting eight to 10 people back home.

They were bringing in 750 million dollars a year for the mother country, and their repatriation could produce a loss of up to 500 million dollars, Finance Minister M.A. Munim told the local press.

That would be a big blow for a country where the average per capita income barely reaches 120 dollars.

"First I want to visit my family," Nizam Uddim said, looking out with no apparent emotion through the window as the Boeing 747 made its approach to the airport. "But I hope to have a chance to get away, in another country. I'm ready to pay for it."

In 1982, he had to pay out more than 1,800 dollars to his boss to get his first two-year contract in Kuwait, to say nothing of the many intermediaries involved.

Now he has to start all over again.

His companion, Mohamad Adul-Awal, 27, who also spent eight years in Kuwait, said everybody needed another chance and would like to have one.

"We all dream about America," he confided.

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#90255d2460 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (SEPT 12) - Iraqi soldiers have blown up a private house in Kuwait killing at least 25 civilians, a Bahraini newspaper reported Wednesday.

Al Ayam, citing eyewitnesses who have fled to Saudi Arabia, said the attack was carried out in the district of Rawda late Monday night or early Tuesday morning. Other houses have also been blown up recently, it said.

According to the exiled Kuwaiti news agency Kuna, Iraqi soldiers attacked another private house on Saturday, mowing down 15 Kuwaiti civilians with machineguns. Kuna gave no reason for the attack, which may have been in retaliation for the house having been used as a hide-out for Kuwaiti resistance fighters.

Other sources reported that Iraqi soldiers have been hunting down juveniles at night, whose bodies are found littering the streets during the day. The sources said the victims' relatives were frequently forbidden to bury the corpses.

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#90255d2470 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 12) - The French government has put anti-terrorist units on top alert and has taken "a certain number of precautions against the danger of attacks linked to the Gulf crisis", French Interior Minister Pierre Joxe said on Wednesday.

In a radio interview the minister, who did not give details of the measures, said that since the beginning of August his experts had appreciated the scale of the danger, and he stressed that there was a high level of international cooperation in the fight against terrorism.

He had urged security forces to be particularly vigilant.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tarek Aziz, in an interview with the French newspaper Le Figaro on August 31, implicitly threatened France, the United States and Britain with terrorist attacks.

On Friday, officials in Washington said that Iraq had increased its support for various terrorist groups, and particularly for some radical Palestinian groups, and warned Iraq that any attack mounted on Iraqi initiative would be considered with the utmost gravity.

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#90255d2490 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 12) - Leading world business figures, trade ministers and the media will meet in Germany in October to press the case for reform of the world trading system, New Zealand Prime Minister Mike Moore said here Wednesday.

The meeting will be convened by the Eminent Persons Group on world trade which Mr. Moore coordinates. It includes a number of leading politicians from around the world lobbying for free trade.

Mr. Moore said the meeting will be held in Frankfurt on October 31 and will send a vital signal to the world on the need for progress in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT)'s Uruguay Round, due to wind up in Brussels in December.

"There are vested interests trying to hold back the momentum of GATT but there are a larger amount of people, businesses and countries with something to lose if the talks fail," Mr. Moore said in a statement.

"While the need for global free trade rules has been widely accepted, it has been the protected minority who have yelled the loudest. Europe's farmers have banded together to stubbornly guard their protection", he said.

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#90255d2510 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ALBUQUERQUE, New Mexico (SEPT. 12) - A small jet crashed here, killing a surgeon and an assistant flying to pick up a donor heart for a patient's second transplant, authorities said.

The plane crashed on a remote mesa west of Albuquerque on Tuesday just after take-off from Double Eagle Airport on a flight to Las Cruces, New Mexico, they said.

Thomas Hoyt, 49, medical director of the transplant program at Presbyterian Hospital, was flying the jet to Las Cruces to pick up a donor's heart at a hospital there, Presbyterian Hospital spokeswoman Teresa Whiteman said.

Bill Cobb, 30, a physician's assistant, was with him when the plane crashed,
she said.

Later, it was too late to retrieve the organ, Ms. Whiteman said.

Diane Williams, 43, who was to receive the heart, expressed her condolences to Dr. Hoyt's family. "I am having trouble understanding why he had to die " she said.

"Everybody is devastated," said Bob Luther, administrator of the Presbyterian Hospital. "He obviously was a great human being, a superb person and an outstanding heart surgeon."

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#90255d2520 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 12) - North and South Korea will start working-level talks Thursday to discuss Pyongyang's proposal that the two rivals join the United Nations and share a single seat, officials here said Wednesday.

Kim Yong-Hwan, Seoul's top liaison official to inter-Korean prime ministerial talks, sent a message to his Northern counterpart Choi Bong-Chun, accepting his proposal that they meet at the border truce village of Panmunjom.

In the first meeting of prime ministers held here last week, the South told the North that it would study Pyongyang's proposal if it offered details on the plan to share a single seat at the United Nations.

The Korean seat in the United Nations is currently vacant.

The two sides also agreed last week that they would urge their respective Red Cross societies to resume talks on the reunions of families seperated by the division of the Korean peninsula in 1945.

In a related development, the South Korean Red Cross Society on Wednesday refused to accept a letter from the North addressed to dissidents in the South, the society announced.

The letter, whose contents were not known, was from the preparatory committee for a pan-national rally in the North.

The letter will not be helpful in improving North-South ties but only create unnecessary friction, the society was quoted as saying in a message to its Northern counterpart.

South Korean dissidents attacked Seoul authorities for blocking them from going to Panmunjom to attend the pro-unification rally at Panmunjom.

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#90255d2560 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 12) - Bangkok's infamous red light districts could be plunged into semi-darkness under energy saving measures planned by the government, the state-owned Thai News Agency (TNA) said Wednesday.

The energy conservation package, which has to be approved by the cabinet, provides for switching off neon advertising, including signs in Bangkok's notorious red light districts of Pat Pong and Soi Cowboy, at nine p.m., the agency said.

It also includes doubling the road tax on cars of 2,000 cc engine capacity or larger, and stricter enforcement of the speed limit, the agency said.

The measures also call for a 10 percent reduction of energy consumption by government agencies through strict control of vehicle usage, the installation of more facsimile transmission machines and greater use of the postal service.

Thais will be encouraged to use public transport more, while traders will be urged to use rail and river services for freight transportation in a bid to cut use of trucks by some 25 percent, THA said.

Government offices were also instructed to install the more economical fluorescent lighting, switch off air-conditioning for one hour during the lunch break and regularly service their air-conditioners to save energy.

A government official said Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan had already ordered air conditioning at Government House to be switched off at noon Wednesday, and other ministries had followed suit.

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#90255d2570 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (SEPT. 12) - A woman has been held in East German psychiatric hospitals for more than 20 years while her identity was used as a cover for

an East German spy who rose to the key post of secretary to a former West German economy minister, the weekly magazine Quick reported Wednesday.

The woman is Sonja Lueneburg, whose identity was reportedly used by the secretary of the same name who worked for the former West German economy minister, Martin Bangemann, in Bonn from 1975 to 1985.

The "spy" Sonja fled Bonn in 1985 at the same time as the double-agent Hans-Joachim Tiedge, a senior member of the West German secret service. Quick said she was now in hiding in the Soviet Union.

The magazine published photographs of both women, the real Sonja today a ravaged old woman with serious mental problems who has lost the will to live and has never been told the truth about her passport, the magazine said.

The saga started in 1950, before the erection of the Berlin Wall in 1961. A native of East Berlin, she married a West German and settled in West Berlin. The marriage fell apart, but in 1966 she met a Frenchman, remarried and moved to Paris.

When this marriage also broke up, she moved back to East Berlin with her mother, despite the Wall.

On her arrival, however, authorities confiscated her passport and unbeknownst to her, a spy with her same name turned up in West Berlin a month later.

Quick said the real Sonja was forced into retirement at 42 and kept under surveillance. She tried to contact the French Embassy in hopes of returning to the west.

One morning in 1968, two men in civilian clothing arrived at her home and took her to a psychiatric hospital for "schizophrenia", according to the magazine, which said she was medicated, given shock treatment and has remained hospitalized ever since, today living on a monthly pension of 100 Deutsche marks (60 dollars).

Her sister, who also lives in East Germany, reportedly learned that Sonja's identity had been used by the spy when the stories of the spy's escape to the east hit the newspapers in 1986. She kept it to herself until this year, fearing reprisals, the magazine said.

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#90255d2630 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 12) - Phnom Penh Prime Minister Hun Sen Wednesday arrived in Bangkok in search of a motor and sail for the Cambodian ship of state.

''The boat has been built, the passengers are on the boat, but we are in need of a motor and sail,'' he said upon arrival at Bangkok airport.

Hun Sen and the three Cambodian resistance factions at a meeting this week in Jakarta unanimously endorsed a United Nations-sponsored plan to set up a Supreme National Council (Snc), including all four factions, to represent Cambodian sovereignty with a ''Namibia-style'' solution in the war-torn country.

Thai Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan, a key participant in efforts to resolve the Cambodian conflict, promising to change the battlefields of Indochina into marketplaces, invited Hun Sen to Bangkok upon his return trip from Jakarta.

''I am meeting with Chatichai to discuss how to start the boat and how to make it sail,'' said Hun Sen, in reference to the Snc.

A major question in the setting up of the Snc involves Prince Norodom Sihanouk, the head of the resistance movement, who refused to attend the Jakarta talks, reportedly for health reasons.

At a press briefing in Bangkok the prince's son Ranaridh indicated that Sihanouk could be persuaded to become chairman of the Snc and act as chief representative of Cambodia in the U.N.

Hun Sen and Chatichai are scheduled to meet informally at the Thai prime minister's house.

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#90255d2660 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 12) - The international affairs committee of the Russian parliament Wednesday urged suspension of the 1972 Soviet-Iraqi friendship and cooperation treaty.

The deputies called for the ''immediate withdrawal of all Soviet military specialists from Iraq''.

In a statement quoted by the Soviet news agency Tass they said that ''in the present circumstances the committee considers any contact in the militrary sector with the aggressor to be unacceptable and immoral''.

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#90255d2720 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 12) - The British government is expected to announce soon that it is sending a "significant" number of soldiers to the Gulf to dig

in under the desert sun and strengthen U.S. forces.

The government will announce within a few days that it is sending additional forces, probably comprising soldiers, to join the British naval and air force presence in the Gulf, sources close to the government said Wednesday after a ministerial meeting.

No official statement was made after the meeting, but well-informed sources said that agreement in principle on the deployment of ground troops was assured and that decisions were being studied on which units to send.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said Thursday that she intended to send additional forces to the Gulf.

Observers said that the time being taken to decide on which units should be sent was evidence of the complexity of the operation.

This has raised much speculation on the options available for the despatch of troops and, or of additional naval and air units.

Defence experts said the deployment of troops would be as much a political as a military decision to show that Britain stood shoulder to shoulder with the United States which has asked its allies to send ground forces.

But such a move could provoke political disagreement since the stationing of ground forces could be considered to be more offensive than defensive. The move could also raise questions over the cost, and would pose technical problems.

One question concerns the number of military personnel who could be deployed.

The chiefs of staff are believed to be studying the despatch of an entire brigade of 4,000 soldiers. A brigade could be withdrawn from the British Army on the Rhine, and would have to be supported by more than 100 tanks.

Another option would be to send a unit of 2,000, or of 1,000 men, and about 50 tanks or units of light infantry.

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#90255d2740 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 12) - After year's of problems with its Superphenix plant at Creys-Malville, France's fast-breeder reactors were in more trouble Wednesday with the breakdown of the Phenix plant at Marcoule in south eastern France.

The incident marks a further setback for the state EDF electricity board

whose Superphenix plant, the biggest breeder-reactor in Europe, has been halted for several months for repairs. The plant, which was hailed as milestone in nuclear technology, has operated at full power for only 175 days since it went into service in January 1986, according to a recent report.

Nuclear safety officials on Wednesday said the fault at the Marcoule reactor was "on the basis of a first analysis" due to a bubble of argon gas in the reactor core. This had caused a reduction of power and led to the automatic shut-down of the reactor on Sunday.

The incident had been given a Number-2 gravity rating on a six-grade scale of nuclear accidents, officials said.

The Marcoule plant, which went into service in 1973, had to be shut down three times last year after similar breakdowns. On one occasion it was out of action for three months.

The Superphenix plant in the Alpine region of eastern France, commissioned as the "jewel" of the French nuclear industry, has been plagued by problems from its inception. It has produced only 1,300 megawatts of electricity in nearly four years and at a price far higher than conventional nuclear plants.

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#90255d2750 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SAO PAULO (SEPT. 12) - Antonio Eustaquio, the man who discovered a mass grave of people believed butchered by Brazil's military rulers, has gone into hiding with his family, newspapers reported here Wednesday.

Eustaquio, his wife and two children have not been seen for two days. Threatening telephone calls have plagued Eustaquio, who is administrator of the Dom Bosco Cemetery in the city district of Perus.

He had reported to police finding a grave with 1,700 skeletons in it, most believed to be people killed during the country's dictatorship from 1964 to 1985. Sao Paulo Mayor Luiza Erundina has ordered special protection for the Eustaquio family.

The Sao Paulo state government has meanwhile retracted a request to the state forensic laboratory Iml to identify the remains. Relations of the victims protested that Iml falsified death certificates for the military. A university will do the job instead.

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#90255d2770 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (SEPT. 12) - Taiwan has pledged to contribute 100 million U.S. dollars to share the cost of the U.S. build-up in the Gulf against Iraq, the Chinese-language United Evening News reported here Wednesday.

In a dispatch from Washington, the paper quoted sources as saying that Taiwan Vice Foreign Minister Chen Chien-jen, who is currently visiting Washington, was expected to finalize details of the contribution with U.S. officials before leaving the U.S. capital on September 18.

President George Bush was "gratified and commended" Taiwan for the contribution, the paper added.

The United States switched diplomatic recognition from Taipei to Beijing in 1979 but remains Taiwan's largest trading partner and main arms supplier.

Taiwan's foreign ministry and the American Institute in Taiwan, which represents U.S. interests here in the absence of diplomatic relations, denied knowledge of the report.

But Feng Tai, deputy director of the Department of West Asian Affairs of the Foreign Ministry, said it has been the "intention of this government to help countries in the Middle East."

Taiwan Foreign Minister Fredrick Chien said last week that Jordan would be the first to receive aid, if any, from the island.

Last month, Jordan helped evacuate close to 200 Taiwan nationals stranded in Kuwait following the Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate on August 2.

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#90255d2800 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (SEPT. 12) - Rebels of the Mozambique National Resistance (RENAMO) killed two Zambians and seriously injured two others when they ambushed and torched two trucks in eastern Zambia on Monday, a government minister said Wednesday.

Secretary of Defence and Security Alex Shapi said the government was now contemplating using troop-escorted convoys on the road to Eastern Province, which has been the scene of a number of RENAMO attacks in the past three months.

In the latest ambush, "the rebels waylaid the trucks ferrying maize from eastern province to lusaka then opened fire, killing the two men, and set the grain and the vehicles on fire," said Mr. Shapi.

He said the government would increase patrols in the border area with mozambique "although of late the bandits have become elusive because they

are moving in small groups which makes it difficult to monitor their whereabouts".

Two months ago, the rebels burnt seven Zambians to death on the same road after waylaying and setting ablaze seven vehicles.

They reportedly left pamphlets at the scene saying the attack was to avenge the deaths of RENAMO fighters killed by Zambian soldiers who had pursued them into Mozambique after attacks on Zambian border villages.

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TAIPEI (SEPT. 12) - Taiwan economic and financial authorities are to provide small- and medium-sized firms easier access to loans to help them tide over the island's economic slowdown, officials said Wednesday.

The measures, effective immediately, were approved at a meeting Tuesday between Central Bank Governor Samuel Shieh, Finance Minister Wang Chien-shen and Economic Minister Vincent Siew, they said.

Under the package, greater access to a total of 85 billion Taiwan dollars (3.11 billion U.S.) in loans - mainly from the Central Bank - is expected to alleviate local businessmen's financial strains, the officials said.

The Bank of Taiwan on Wednesday lowered its prime lending rate by 0.25 percentage points to 10 percent annually to support the government's efforts to spur economic activity. Other banks are expected to follow suit.

The reduced rate, meant to cushion manufacturers' debt burden, is the lowest since the Central Bank launched across-the-board credit-tightening measures in May last year to check inflation and money supply growth.

In addition to injecting more liquidity into domestic banking institutions, under fire for being too conservative in lending, the Central Bank is also considering a relaxation of its ceiling of loans against land mortgage in effect since February 1989, the officials said.

Vice Economic Minister Chiang Pin-kun said Wednesday that his ministry would soon propose the appropriation of 10 billion Taiwan dollars (366.3 million U.S.) to finance small- and medium-size firms in upgrading their operations.

The Council for Economic Planning and Development has said it would include the development of the enterprises in the country's national construction plan in the next six years.

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PARIS (SEPT. 12) - British and French farmers' representatives on Wednesday agreed to urge Brussels to adopt a package of emergency measures to prevent tensions over meat imports escalating into a full-scale "trade war".

Speaking after talks here between the French and British farmers' unions,

the chairman of the French FNSEA federation Raymond Lacombe said both sides had agreed that financial measures were needed in addition to tighter controls on meat imports from eastern Europe.

The talks were the first face-to-face negotiations between the British National Farmers' Union (NFU) and FNSEA since French farmers began hijacking foreign meat imports in June to protest the fall in lamb and beef prices.

"West European farmers are paying the bill for German unification," Mr. Lacombe told a news conference here, complaining of lower-priced beef and lamb from East Germany which has been blamed for depressing the market in France.

Commenting on the French breeders' violent protest actions, during which more than 200 British lambs were burned alive, Mr. Lacombe said that he did not support violence, "but I cannot condemn men and women who are in distress".

French President Francois Mitterrand had on Tuesday in the southwest Dordogne region criticised the French breeders' "excesses" but said that the government would try to "understand the cause" of their actions.

The NFU chairman, Sir Simon Gourlay, said at Wednesday's news conference that the French farmers' actions had not been allowed "to cloud, or overshadow" the negotiations.

He expressed satisfaction at the "tremendous increase" in French government efforts since last week to "keep trade rolling".

Sir Simon noted that threats of a British boycott of French products were "receding". "We are not going to solve the problem by retaliating," he said, but added that he "fully understood" such action taken at local initiative.

The British union leader said that in addition to the immediate measures outlined Wednesday, the European Economic Community should also consider longer-term solutions to satisfy the farmers protesting the lack of a long-term policy which would provide economic stability.

Mr. Lacombe said the chairmen of farmers' unions from the 12 EEC countries would meet in Brussels Friday before formally submitting their demands to European commissioners.

He added that the union representatives had not calculated the costs of the package to Brussels, but argued that due to administrative savings there was plenty of spare cash available.

In a further sign that both Britain and France had decided to cooperate over the crisis, two other British farmers' delegations were holding talks in Cherbourg and Calais in northern France on Wednesday.

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#90255d2950 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ZURICH (SEPT. 12) - Swissair said Wednesday it was dropping plans to sell its 49 percent stake in the Swissotel hotel chain to the Japanese group Aoki-Westin because of the uncertain situation on international financial markets.

The two sides had agreed in principle on the sale of Swissair's stake in Swissotel's 17 luxury hotels worldwide in March.

But negotiations were broken off by mutual agreement on Tuesday, Swissair said.

The airline said in a statement it intended to "keep all options open" and had decided not to go ahead with the sale "in view of recent uncertainty in world financial market conditions."

One of the main reasons was the strengthening of the Swiss franc against the yen since March, which had seen the price in Swiss franc terms rise 15 per cent, said Swissair spokeswoman Susanne Bilger.

"We have tried to renegotiate, but have not found a solution," she said, without giving any figure for the purchase price.

The uncertain situation on world financial markets and financing difficulties in the U.S. property sector, had also left Aoki-Westin less interested in embarking on major investments, Mrs. Bilger said.

Swissair had acquired the 49 percent stake in Swissotel from Nestle last year through its subsidiary Swissair Participations.

It could now decide to retain the stake, seek another buyer, or sell off part of it, Mrs. Bilger said.

Swissair made a loss of 99 million Swiss francs (75 million dollars) in the first half of the year.

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#90255d2970 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ADDIS ABABA (SEPT. 12) - President Mengistu Haile Mariam said Wednesday that the Ethiopian government's main pre-occupation was the threat to peace posed by continuation of war in the north.

Addressing a mass rally at Revolution Square here to mark the 16th anniversary of the revolution which overthrew the monarchy in Ethiopia, the president said government forces have been locked up in a protracted war against the Eritrean People's Liberation Front (EPLF).

He said the EPLF wants to seize Ethiopia's Red Sea coastal province of Eritrea in the war which has lasted more than 28 years.

Another guerrilla group, the Tigre People's Liberation Front (TPLF), has also in recent months launched attacks.

The government says the TPLF's objectives are to spread civil war in the country, declare Tigre a republic and facilitate the secession of Eritrea.

Lieutenant-Colonel Mengistu said war against the guerrillas had forced a virtual halt to development because it had tied up resources and government attention.

The critical issue was the theat to Ethiopian unity which should be averted by all means, Col. Mengistu argued and called on his people to stand up and "save Ethiopia".

On the EPLF's attack against Ethiopia's Red Sea port of Massawa last February and its subsequent closure, Col. Mengistu said Massawa had been a target of Ethiopia's foreign enemies in the past and accused EPLF of being a tool of external Ethiopian enemies whose intention was to strangle it by denying it an outlet to the sea.

Col. Mengistu accused both the EPLF and TPLF guerrillas of spreading false propaganda about being concerned with peace and the well-being of the people and dismissed what he called their attempt to put the blame on his government for all the problems the country faced.

Rather than engaging in such sterile propaganda, he said, they should "present whatever issues they have at a peaceful forum in the presence of observers" and the conclusion reached would be submitted to the people for decision.

Col. Mengistu did not elaborate the precise issues that would be submitted to the people or how they would decide on the issues.

Col. Mengistu dismissed as self-serving rebel claims that Ethiopia's problems would be solved if the government "stepped aside", meaning its relinquishing power.

"If that indeed were the case, there would be no sense in choosing to suffer the painful conflagrations of war", he said.

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#90255d3000 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 12) - The Chinese Government plans to lease millions of hectares (acres) of pastureland to herdsmen for up to 15 years to prevent the depletion of land resources, the official China Daily reported Wednesday.

The reform, effective immediately, is designed to make herdsmen responsible for the land and will be implemented gradually, the daily quoted Li Shoude an Agriculture Ministry official, as saying.

The English-language newspaper quoted Mr. Li as saying the plan was crucial for the maintenance and even the survival of over-grazed and neglected pasture.

Under the terms of the reform, herdsmen will pay an annual rent of three to 15 yuan (60 U.S. cents to 3.2 U.S. dollars) per hectare (2.47 acres) under 10 to 15-year contracts with the government, the newspaper said.

It said they would have the option of renewing the contracts and of raising livestock on the leased plots for as long as they want.

However, the reform will only be introduced gradually, area by area, because most herdsmen lead nomadic lives, the newspaper said.

It did not say how many shepherds would be involved, but quoted Mr. Li, the deputy director of the ministry's grassland division, as saying that the plan would probably take "more than 10 years to be implemented nationwide."

Over-grazing and desertification have cost China about 660,000 hectares (1.63 million acres) of pasture annually in recent years.

The newspaper added that the lease system was introduced in 1985 in Inner Mongolia, where 53 million hectares (130.9 million acres) of pasture - or 84.9 percent of the region's usable land - had been leased to herdsmen.

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#90255d3010 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 12) - The deputy chairman of Jaguar Plc of Britain said here Wednesday that his company plans to expand car sales in Japan to 10,000 a year by the mid-1990's.

John A.M. Grant told reporters he expected sales of 2,600 in Japan this year, up 45 percent from last year, making the country Jaguar's third biggest market after the United States and Britain.

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#90255d3030 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 12) - France's expeditionary force in the gulf is costing it about 150 million francs (nearly 30 million dollars) a month, the army's chief spokesman said Wednesday.

The cost includes the aircraft carrier Clemenceau, which is being used as a helicopter carrier -- there are 42 helicopters on board -- along with 200 paratroopers and a land-based helicopter unit made up of six helicopters and 100 men, said the spokesman, General Raymond Germanos.

Not included in the cost are the 4,000 troops based in Djibouti and the personnel aboard the French fleet in the Indian Ocean, he said.

Britain spent about 140 million dollars to send fresh forces to the Gulf and these are costing about two million dollars a day.

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#90255d3060 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (SEPT 12) - The United States will provide Israel with 10 CH-53 military transport helicopters and 60 F-16 fighters, U.S. Ambassador to Israel William Brown, said Wednesday.

Mr. Brown, speaking in Hebrew during a ceremony to deliver two U.S.-made Apache helicopters at a base in southern Israel, said he hoped Israel would also obtain Stinger shoulder-fired missiles, as well as equipment to improve the performance of F-15 aircraft and additional materiel for the army and air force.

"Israel is an important ally of the United States, on which we can rely, as well as a stabilizing element in the region," he said.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, who attended the ceremony, said the Israeli army and air force "would be victorious in the first stages of combat if Israel is attacked".

Fear of attack has been triggered by Baghdad's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and threats that it could incinerate parts of Israel with chemical weapons if the Jewish state launched a preemptive strike on Iraq.

The two Apache combat choppers, from a total order of 18 costing 350 million dollars, arrived in Israel on Tuesday. They are to be assembled by Israeli air force technicians.

Israel becomes the first foreign recipient of the Apache, which can reach speeds of 360 kilometers per hour (225 miles) and can function both night and day.

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#90255d3130 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 12) - Japan will become the world's most aged society by 2025 with more than one in four people aged 65 or older, a population institute said in a survey released Wednesday.

The survey by Tokyo's Nippon University Population Research Institute found that in 2025, 26.55 percent of the people here will be at least 65 years old, compared with 12 percent now.

The ratio would surpass that in Switzerland, which is expected to rise to 25.9 percent, the institute added.

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#90255d3140 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 12) - The British balance of payments on current account showed a deficit of 4.9 billion pounds (9.2 billion dollars) in the second quarter, representing an increase of 300 million pounds on the first quarter figure of 4.6 billion pounds (8.6 billion dollars), official figures showed on Wednesday.

The figures were a seasonally-adjusted revision of statistics published earlier which put the second quarter deficit at 4.3 billion pounds and the first quarter deficit at 4.7 billion pounds.

The deficit for the first half of the year totalled 9.6 billion pounds compared with 19.1 billion pounds for the whole of last year and a governmental target of 15 billion pounds for this year.

Between April and June the trade balance showed a deficit of five billion pounds compared with 5.8 billion pounds in the first quarter, and invisible earnings from financial services resulted in a surplus of 57 million pounds compared with 1.2 billion pounds. The oil account showed a surplus of 600 million pounds.

The surplus on invisible earnings in the second quarter was significantly below the 600 million pounds initially estimated. But the central statistical office, which published the figures, said that the figures for this factor, which were frequently incomplete, were likely to be matched overall by substantial errors and omissions.

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#90255d3170 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (SEPT. 12) - A senior Sri Lankan government official returned home Wednesday after seeking Baghdad's permission to airlift food to thousands of Sri Lankans stranded in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Labour Minister G.M. Premachandra, who visited Kuwait and Iraq during a one week Middle East tour, told Agence France-Presse that Colombo had also asked approval from Baghdad to airlift the stranded workers home direct from Kuwait.

"We have requested the Iraqi government to allow us to airlift food to Kuwait and also to help us evacuate our workers," Mr. Premachandra said.

"We are waiting for a response. If they agree we could evacuate the Sri Lankans (from Kuwait) in about a month's time."

More than 80,000 Sri Lankan workers have been trapped in Kuwait following Iraq's August 2 invasion of the tiny emirate. Thousands of other Sri Lankans have fled Kuwait to neighbouring states in an attempt to return home.

Mr. Premachandra said that during his visit to Kuwait, he found that there was a severe shortage of food, a fact which he had stressed in his talks with Iraqi officials.

"They (the Iraqis) are considering our request to airlift food to Kuwait," Mr. Premachandra said, adding "our aircraft would be allowed to land either in Kuwait or Iraq."

He proposed that if charter flights of the national carrier, Air Lanka, are allowed to evacuate Sri Lankans from Kuwait, Basra and Baghdad, medicine and food for remaining workers could be airlifted on the same flights.

An Air Lanka spokesman here said the carrier was ready to give top priority to any evacuation plan aimed at bringing back Sri Lankans direct from Kuwait.

Meanwhile, a Foreign Ministry statement said the Sri Lankan mission at the United Nations has made representations to the Security Council to ensure

that Sri Lankans would be given priority "in the event of mass repatriation becoming necessary."

The four-page statement also said the European Economic Community (EEC) has provided Sri Lanka with a bilateral grant for the repatriation of stranded Sri Lankans from the Middle East.

The Air Lanka spokesman said the first EEC-funded Air Lanka charter arrived in Sri Lanka on Tuesday carrying 232 passengers from Amman where more than 4,000 Sri Lankans are being accomodated at refugee camps.

Mr. Premachandra described the camps as "very crowded" but said Sri Lankan officials were attending to the welfare of their stranded nationals in Jordan.

During his visit to Kuwait, Mr. Premachandra met more than 5,000 Sri Lankans, mostly housemaids, who have pitched camp at a school near the Sri Lankan embassy.

The Foreign Ministry said the U.N.-sponsored International Organisation for Migration (IOM) has so far provided 11 charter flights bringing 1,980 Sri Lankans from Amman to Colombo.

"It is expected that IOM charters will come to Sri Lanka every other day carrying 180 (passengers) on each flight."

To expedite the repatriation process in Jordan, which has the largest number of Sri Lankan refugees, Colombo has set up a temporary resident mission in Amman to assist the Sri Lankan consulate there.

Hundreds of Sri Lankan refugees are in camps in Riyadh and to a lesser extent in Cairo, Abu Dhabi, Ankara and Teheran. Colombo is also hoping to evacuate 250 Sri Lankans from Cairo by a charter funded by a church agency.

According to the Foreign Ministry, it has contacted Sri Lanka's missions abroad and shipping agents in Colombo to charter aircraft and vessels to bring back the country's refugees.

"The Foreign Minister (Harold Herat) also expects to meet members of the diplomatic corps to seek further assistance to meet the present crisis in regard to Sri Lankan refugees in the various capitals," the statement added.

A total of about 4,500 Sri Lankans have already been flown home on special Air Lanka and IOM-organised flights.

If the Gulf crisis is not resolved, Sri Lanka will lose at a conservative estimate about five million dollars a month in foreign exchange remittances

from its nationals working in Kuwait. Following the U.N. trade embargo on Baghdad, the country also lost 20 per cent of its tea exports to Iraq which annually buys 2,500 million rupees (62.5 million dollars) worth of tea.

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#90255d3200 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (SEPT. 12) - Violent clashes have broken out between rival Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories, where the Gulf crisis has deeply split factions in the Palestinian uprising, Arab sources said Wednesday.

The sources said dozens of Palestinian militants have been wounded in the past few days in a series of fights between PLO supporters and members of the Sunni Moslem fundamentalist group Hamas in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The attacks, involving brutal fist-fights and attacks with knives, axes and steel bars that have terrorised refugee camps, have been accompanied by death threats against Palestinian figures and vicious propaganda campaigns.

The PLO-backed Unified Leadership, the main underground coordinator of the 33-month old Palestinian uprising, is sympathetic to Iraq and believes the priority in the Gulf crisis is a withdrawal of Western forces from the region.

Hamas -- already opposed by the nationalist, secular PLO for its religious fundamentalism -- wants on the other hand an Iraqi pullout from Kuwait.

"We demand before anything else that the Iraqi forces withdraw immediately from Kuwait," senior Hamas leader Abdel Aziz Rantisi told Agence France-Presse.

For Dr. Rantisi, who was released from an Israeli jail last week, the Iraqi invasion is the same "as Israel's occupation of the Palestinian land."

The split on the Gulf crisis appears to have ruined 18 months of efforts by Palestinian leaders to patch up differences between the two sides and form a common front in the struggle against Israeli occupation.

In the West Bank camp of Tulkarm Sunday and Monday, about 20 Palestinians were wounded in pitched knife and axe battles between masked activists loyal to Hamas and Fatah, the mainstream PLO group, the sources said.

Tension has been even higher in the Gaza Strip, where Hamas has the support of 30 per cent of the population. Large groups of demonstrators have clashed in the Jabaliya and Bureij camps in the past few days, witnesses said.

On Saturday, a nurse at the Ahli hospital in the Gaza Strip was stabbed and struck with metal bars by a group of 10 Hamas militants who entered the facility's operating room, the Palestinian sources said.

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#90255d3290 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (SEPT. 12)- Lebanon's Christian military chief, General Michel Aoun, Wednesday called on the nation to revolt against the country's pro-Syrian leaders.

Aoun, who commands a 15,000-strong army, vowed that he would not relinquish powers to President Elias Hrawi.

The general, at a press conference at the presidential palace in Baabda, said he continued to consider himself as Lebanon's sole legitimate leader.

Hrawi and his cabinet were elected as a result of a peace accord worked out by the Lebanese parliament in Saudi Arabia last October.

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#90255d3330 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 12) - Top officials in the Russian republic have urged the Soviet parliament to withdraw Soviet military experts from Iraq and to cancel a bilateral friendship and co-operation treaty, the Soviet TASS news agency reported on Wednesday.

The call was made by the committee for international affairs and external economic relations of the Russian federation parliament.

Recent official Soviet statements have said that about 150 Soviet military advisers were still in Iraq.

The Russian parliamentarians called on the Soviet federal parliament, the Supeme Soviet, to "urgently examine the question of the friendship and co-operation treaty with Iraq", signed in 1972.

They expressed support for the position of the government and for the statement made in Helsinki by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and U.S. President George Bush insisting on the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

"The committee considers immoral the continuation of any contact in the military field with the aggressor -- it is necessary rapidly to recall all Soviet military experts who are now in Iraq," the Russian deputies said.

The position taken by the Russian parliament is more radical than that adopted by the Supreme Soviet which on Tuesday expressed approval of the action of the government and said that the evacuation of Soviet nationals from the region of the crisis should be continued, without referring specifically to military experts.

The Russian parliament has no constitutional powers over foreign policy.

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#90255d3400 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (SEPT. 12) - Total foreign investment in Vietnam, mainly from Europe, has doubled in the past year to surpass 1.2 billion dollars, official figures released here Wednesday showed.

Investment in Vietnam amounted to 636.8 million dollars in the previous year. Hanoi started allowing foreign investment in December 1986.

Foreign experts said that investment could see a major rise - mainly from so far relatively wary Asian countries - if a solution is reached to the war in Cambodia, where Hanoi backs the Phnom Penh government.

"Vietnam has given approval up to now for 183 foreign firms to invest in the country, with a total capital of more than 1.2 billion dollars," the State Committee for Cooperation and Foreign Investment reported.

"Thirty other foreign investment projects in different sectors are currently being studied," the committee added, without specifying the amount involved.

According to a study by Western experts, two thirds of the investment - mostly in oil exploration, agriculture and marine products - was made by European countries.

Britain topped the list of capitalist nations investing in Vietnam last year, accounting for 30.01 percent, followed by France with 21.44 percent, and the Netherlands with 19.03 percent, the study said.

The three focused their investment on oil exploration, it added.

The study revealed that Asian investment in the same period remained weak - save for India and Australia accounting for 10.99 percent and 9.08 percent respectively - with Japan representing only 0.03 percent of the total.

South Korea accounted for 0.72 percent, Singapore 0.54 percent, Thailand 1.11 percent and Hong Kong 5.63 percent.

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#90255d3470 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 12) - The BP France oil company on Wednesday reported a 72 per cent fall in profits in the first half of this year compared with the same period in 1989, attributing the reduction to notional losses on stock valuations before the Gulf crisis.

The managing director Raymond Bloch said that fluctuating oil prices had caused considerable stock losses, and reported a net consolidated profit of 186 million francs (35 million dollars) compared with 725 million francs (136 million dollars) in the first half of 1989. He said this was a "satisfactory" outcome if stocks were excluded.

The value of stocks fell by 770 million francs (145 million dollars).

For the first time since 1986 the company had made a first-half profit on oil operations, to the extent of 170 million francs, compared with a loss of 165 million francs one year earlier.

This had been achieved through a major programme of restructuring, particularly concerning the French distribution network, and at least 200 badly sited service stations of low profitability were due to be closed, out of a total of 1,200 at the end of 1989.

Mr. Bloch said that the Gulf crisis and its effect on the prices of oil products had not yet caused the French subsidiary of British Petroleum to revise its strategy, and that the effect on profits at the end of the year was unclear because of volatility in the price of oil.

Finance director Pierre Dupont said that profits would be higher as oil prices rose.

Mr. Bloch said that some governments were mistaken in considering that they might release oil from strategic reserves if shortages arose. There was no shortage now, but if tension worsened and oil markets ran into severe difficulties, the use of stocks might be justified to steady prices.

Although stocks held by BP of 1.8 million tons were greater than the level of 1.2 million tons, equivalent to 90 days of sales, required by the state, he said that his company and other oil companies would not deplete stocks.

Oil companies would decide to use stocks only if the government removed the 90-day requirement, he said.

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#90255d3490 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN (SEPT. 12) - Iran signed no commercial accord with Iraq to help

it circumvent a U.N.-backed embargo during a weekend visit here by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz, an informed government source said Wednesday.

Mr. Aziz ended an unprecedented visit to Teheran on Monday receiving assurances only that severed Iranian-Iraqi ties would be resumed, the official media reported.

Iran and Iraq fought a bitter eight-year war that ended with a United Nations-sponsored cease-fire in August 1988. They only severed ties in 1987.

A foreign ministry communique issued at the end of Mr. Aziz's visit said nothing about the possibility of Iran providing its former foe with food and medicine to beat the U.N. sanctions, which were imposed after Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

But the English-language daily Teheran Times, considered close to President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, said Wednesday that Iranian officials had begun studying the issue and were convinced that "Moslem Iraqi people should not pay for the mistakes of their government."

"But once Iran finalizes its decision and starts shipping food and medicine to Iraq, political circles here believe, Iraq will have an outlet in its present strapped position," the paper said.

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#90255d3600 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DURBAN, South Africa (SEPT. 12) - Senior South African Communist Party (SACP) member Billy Nair was released from security detention on Wednesday after suffering a heart attack, police said.

The SACP claimed he had been assaulted at the start of his term in detention under section 29 of the Internal Security Act (ISA) on July 23, and said it was holding the government responsible for Mr. Nair's health.

Mr. Nair suffered the heart attack on Tuesday while in a local hospital where he underwent an operation to his knee, state-run radio said.

Police were not sure whether he will be charged, the radio added.

"The stressful conditions of indefinite detention (provided for by the ISA) and treatement meted out to him are responsible for the heart attack," SACP spokesman Essop Pahad told Agence France-Presse.

Mr. Pahad said he believed Mr. Nair was currently in an intensive care unit at a local hospital.

The government had come "within a hair's breadth of being implicated in yet another Section 29 tragedy", Mr. Pahad said.

"Under the Pretoria Minute there was no reason for the continued detention of (another SACP member) Mac Maharaj and all the other political detainees " Mr. Pahad said.

The Pretoria Minute is an accord reached on August 6 between government and the black nationalist African National Congress, of which Mr. Nair is also a member, which paves the way for constitutional negotiations.

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#90255d3610 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 12) - Rebels of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) on Wednesday said they had taken control of the small Spriggs Payne airport in Monrovia, in a Liberian radio broadcast monitored by the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC).

The rebels, led by Charles Taylor, added that they were holding the J.F. Kennedy hospital in the Liberian capital.

The BBC reported that Mr. Taylor's forces, coming from the east, were moving in on the executive mansion of president Samuel K. Doe, who was reported killed Monday by a rival rebel group led by Prince Johnson.

Mr. Johnson's forces were meanwhile closing in on the executive mansion from the west. The BBC said that Doe loyalists were firing back from the building.

The BBC had no details of troop movements by the five-nation peacekeeping force sent into Liberia by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS).

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#90255d3690 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 12) - The European Community's Council of Ministers Wednesday granted special powers to the E.C. Commission to begin implementing Community law in East Germany immediately upon German unification on October 3.

The European Parliament, which approved the move Tuesday in Strasbourg, plans to pass it on second reading Thursday.

About 80 per cent of E.C. legislation will then apply to former East German territory. The remaining laws, primarily in the areas of agriculture and the environment, are to take effect at times to be arranged later.

The accelerated integration procedure was necessitated by the imminent unification of the Germanys. The normal process would have taken too long, making East German territory a legal ''grey zone''.

Meanwhile, foreign ministers Sten Andersson of Sweden and Kjell Magne Bondevik of Norway said Wednesday they were considering applying for E.C. membership by 1993. The remarks came at the conclusion of a two-day meeting of the Nordic Council in Molde, Norway.

Finnish Foreign Minister Pertti Paaslo indicated a few weeks ago that the dissolution of the political blocs had removed the main obstacle to his country's joining the E.C.

Iceland's foreign minister did not attend the meeting. The fifth member of the Nordic Council, Denmark, already belongs to the E.C.

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#90255d3700 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 12) - Coal production fell for the first time this year in August after weak demand from industry forced smaller mines to cut output, an official report said Wednesday.

Coal output fell 2.8 percent in August on a year-on-year basis to 85.84 million tons, the China Daily said, adding that production for the first eight months of the year was up 4.2 percent to 688.7 million tons.

The coal industry began to feel the effects of an economic austerity plan in July, when production rose only 1.9 percent.

China produced a record 1.04 billion tons of coal last year.

Electricity production, a government priority, increased significantly in August to 53 billion kilowatt hours, a five percent increase from the same month in 1989, the paper said.

It rose 6.3 percent in the first eight months of the year to 403 billion kilowatt hours.

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#90255d3720 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 12) - U.S. and Saudi Awacs, the crucial surveillance aircraft being used in the Gulf crisis, are being jammed by French-made equipment used by Iraq, according to the Financial Times which said Washington had asked Paris for help in the matter.

The report said U.S. military chiefs depended heavily on these airborne early-warning radar planes made by the Boeing company to keep track of Iraqi movement, and were concerned by the development.

Though U.S. electronic experts were studying ways to avoid the jamming by the sophisticated French-made equipment, the Bush administration has asked France to supply direct information, the paper said.

But it was uncertain whether -- or how much -- France would cooperate in giving details on the jamming equipment, which was supplied by Thomson-CSF, the state-owned military electronics group.

In the past, the "Americans have been generally willing to share sensitive electronic technology with the British and Germans, but have withheld access to the French", the paper said.

France is not part of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) integrated military command.

The report added that U.S. military experts initially thought the jamming of the Awacs' surveillance equipment was due to Soviet-made material, but "attention soon turned to France, which for years has ranked second only to the Soviet Union as a military supplier to Iraq."

The Financial Times noted that the Thomson-CSF group is one of the biggest French suppliers of military equipment, while adding that the company "refuses to comment on its links with the Baghdad regime".

At least 16 of its employees are said now to be held hostage in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

In France, some 26 Iraqis are now under special government surveillance, including "eight who were on a recent training course in radar countermeasures at Thomson's Brest plant", the Financial Times said.

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#90255d3730 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (SEPT. 12) - The leader of the Iranian revolution, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, Wednesday lashed out here against the U.S. military presence in the Gulf and against its allies in the region for inviting American troops into their countries.

''Confronting the aggression, ambitions and schemes of the U.S. to encroach upon the Persian Gulf is considered Jihad (holy war) and any one killed for this purpose is a martyr,'' the Iranian New Agency Irna quoted him as saying.

Khamenei vowed that Moslem nations would never allow Washington to set up a security and defence system in the Gulf.

''The U.S. must have learnt a lesson from past events... The Americans must have remembered how a number of committed Moslem youths drove them out of Lebanon,'' he said in an allusion to bloody bomb attacks in 1983 and 1984 which prompted U.S. forces to pull out from this country.

The Iranian leader reiterated his opposition to what he called ''Washington's outrageous policies'' and stressed that preserving the security in the Gulf rested solely with regional states.

He indirectly criticised Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates,

Qatar and Oman by saying: ''Those government defending themselves with the help of foreigners have humiliated their nations.''

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#90255d3800 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Colombo (SEPT. 12) - Suspected members of the rebel Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (Ltte) shot dead four Tamil youth for allegedly providing information to the army in the Batticaloa district of eastern Sri Lanka, military sources said Wednesday.

The bullet riddled bodies were dumped on a street in the heart of Batticaloa town after they had been shot dead on the previous day.

Following the incident troops, launched a house-to-house search in the district Wednesday morning.

In a related development, representatives of opposition political parties who visited refugee camps in the eastern province over the weekend told the government Wednesday that urgent steps should be taken to provide more food and medical supplies to these refugees displaced in the north-east war which has entered its fourth month.

The representatives - who met a ministerial committee appointed by President Ranasinghe Premadasa to look into the problems of over one million persons displaced by the war between government troops and Tamil rebels in the north-east of the country - also pointed out a series of shortcomings in these refugee camps.

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#90255d3820 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (SEPT. 12) - Ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto of Pakistan on Wednesday filed papers seeking candidacy in the October 24 elections as a

special court here began hearing corruption charges against her.

Ms. Bhutto filed nomination papers from her ancestral town of Larkana, 350 kilometers (210 miles) north of here before a home crowd chanting slogans, witnesses said.

She described the two cases against her in Karachi Monday and two in Lahore Wednesday as "deplorable."

The cases, filed on behalf of President Ghulam Ishaq Khan who dismissed her government on August 6 citing abuse of power, seek to disqualify Ms. Bhutto from the elections.

Rejecting the charges Ms. Bhutto lashed out at the caretaker government, which she dubbed as an "anti-people" group working against the national interest.

"Just to damage the Pakistan People's Party which believes in democracy, freedom and the federal system, the so-called champions of Pakistani ideology in the Islamic Democratic Alliance (IJI) have sided with those who do not believe in federation," said Ms. Bhutto.

The cases filed here on Monday allege an attempt to change the consultancy contract for a Karachi power project to be financed by the Asian Development Bank, while the second deals with a cotton sale contract to Rally Brothers Ltd. for below-market rates.

Justice Wajihuddin Ahmed, hearing the government attorney, observed that some of the documents mentioned in the reference were missing.

He asked the counsel for the state to supply copies of the documents and adjourned the proceedings until Tuesday when the second case concerning the cotton export deal will also be heard.

Ms. Bhutto said here Monday she would challenge these charges in court as they were "without any basis."

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#90255d3830 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 12) - Iraq lashed back at U.S. President George Bush on Wednesday, accusing him of using lies and distortions to pursue a goal of world domination.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz, responding to Mr. Bush's remarks to Congress and the American people on Tuesday, charged that the address "confirmed American imperialist tendencies."

"The speech is the archetypical discourse of an arrogant and imperialist government that seeks to dominate the world through lies and distortion," he charged.

Mr. Bush, describing Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as "ruthless," vowed that Iraq's seizure of Kuwait August 2 was destined to fail in the face of a new partnership of nations that could point to a new world order.

The foreign affairs commentator for the official Iraqi News Agency wrote that the address showed Mr. Bush's determination "to rule the world alone" and revealed "beyond the slightest doubt that aggressive tendencies and evil continue to dominate the spirit of the man."

The president chose to ignore "the policies of intervention and aggression of the United States, which were apparent in Grenada, Panama and Nicaragua " the commentator stressed.

Citing Iraq's control of 20 per cent of the world's oil resources, after the capture of Kuwait, Mr. Bush asserted: "We cannot permit a resource so vital to be dominated by one so ruthless."

Mr. Aziz responded: "Before August 2 Iraq had 10 per cent of world oil reserves and did not threaten the interests of anyone, including the United States -- which bought a third of the Iraqi output."

"What then has changed now that Iraqi resources amount to 20 per cent of world reserves?" he asked.

Mr. Aziz also dismissed U.S. claims that Iraq had threatened Saudi Arabia.

"American satellites can uncover the truth and the U.S. military itself has noted the defensive nature of Iraqi military preparations (on the Saudi border)," he said.

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#90255d3920 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 12) - The Kashmir Valley was paralysed Wednesday by a mass closure of shops following an outcry that the Indian security forces in the area were harassing bus drivers and conductors.

In a related development, authorities stopped over 10,000 Hindu students holding a ''long march'' by bus from entering the mountain valley from the plains for fear of a bitter Hindu-Moslem communal flareup in the area, the United News of India news agency said.

The call to down shutters in Kashmir came a day after over 30 suspected Moslem militants were burned to death when a bus in which they were travelling caught

fire following an encounter with Indian security forces, according to Uni.

The incident occured Tuesday at Thueen town when the paramilitary Border Security Force flagged down a bus on a random check. As soon as the vehicle stopped four radicals reportedly stepped out of it and opened fire.

The security forces returned fire as a result of which the bus caught fire.

Uni said that although the transport union did not issue a special appeal for a closure, shops and business houses closed as a mark of protest.

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#90255d3960 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT. 12) - Lawyers from seven Arab countries will participate in a trial held in Baghdad of U.S. President George Bush "for crimes against humanity," the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported Wednesday.

Citing leading Iraqi attorney Hamed Raoui, INA said the trial would take place in the first half of October and would be attended by attorneys from Jordan, Yemen, Libya, Algeria, Mauritania, Tunisia and Palestine.

Three working groups of legal experts have been selected to prepare the indictment, which will include legal, political and economic sections, INA said.

The measure is in reaction to the Western -- notably U.S. -- military buildup in the Gulf, sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, in addition to sweeping U.N.-backed sanctions against Baghdad.

Arab and international figures have been invited to participate in the trial, Mr. Raoui said, adding that the steering committee had received "several complaints against the American president for his crimes against the Arab people and his attempts to wipe out the human race in several parts of the world."

Iraqi lawyers earlier this month announced that they would hold a "public trial" of Mr. Bush "in accordance with the Human Rights Charter."

On September 2, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher denounced Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as a "loser" with no regard for human life and said he should face a Nuremberg-style trial at the end of the Gulf crisis.

Her criticism of Mr. Hussein was sparked by Baghdad's move to hold foreigners hostage in Iraq and Kuwait to deter a possible attack by the United States and its Western allies.

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#90255d4030 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CHERBOURG, France (SEPT. 12) - The French navy has boarded an Iraqi container ship in the Channel to enforce a U.N. military and trade embargo voted in the wake of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, authorities said here Wednesday.

It was the first time that an Iraqi vessel in French waters had been intercepted under the August 6 embargo. The French navy and other naval authorities had received instructions to ensure the embargo was enforced off French coasts at the beginning of this month.

The navy boarded the Bahamas-registered Gur Mariner, belonging to the Iraqi Lines company, off Cherbourg in the southern Channel to check documents as the vessel was on its way to Rotterdam after being refused entry to Port Said in Egypt under the international embargo.

Eighteen per cent of world trade transits via the Channel.

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#90255d4060 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) - U.S. Defence Secretary Dick Cheney has confirmed here reports that the Pentagon has formulated plans for a possible attack on Iraq, while President George Bush again urged Baghdad to pull out its troops from Kuwait.

Cheney late Tuesday told the Senate's armed services committee that Bush would order an American military action against Iraq only after an Iraqi ''provocation''. He did not say what kind of Iraqi action would be considered a provocation.

The defence secretary added that in case of war, U.S. forces in the Gulf would not take into consideration the possiblity of Soviet military advisers or civilian experts working at strategic sites in Iraq.

Cheney vowed that more U.S. troops would be deployed in the Gulf and the chief-of-staff of the U.S. armed forces, General Colin Powell, said 160,000 troops were involved in Operation Desert Shield to defend Iraq from a feared Iraqi attack against Saudi Arabia.

Powell said 75,000 troops were now deployed in Gulf Arab states, 30,000 to 40,000 were nearby on ships and the rest were on their way to the crisis region.

Bush reiterated the U.S. objectives in the Gulf, namely that Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait completely, immediately and without condition, that Kuwait's legitimate government be restored, and that stability in the Gulf be assured.

Speaking to both houses of Congress, he proclaimed a ''new partnership of nations'' following his summit meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in Helsinki last Sunday. A dictator (Iraqi President Saddam Hussein) could no longer count on confrontation between West and East, he added.

In New York, the members of the United Nations Security Council were still divided on whether and under what conditions food deliveries to Baghdad should be permitted despite the embargo imposed against Iraq because of its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90255d4080 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 12) - Indian authorities recovered Wednesday 80 bodies from a shipping accident in the northern state of Uttar Pradesh.

The United News of India news agency reported that there were over 100 people in the boat when it capsized Monday in the Mohaba River. The victims were on their way to a village fair.

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#90255d4100 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAMMU, India (SEPT. 12) - Hundreds of Hindu students were arrested Wednesday when police halted a banned march into the Kashmir valley dubbed as a bid "to save Kashmir" from Moslem secessionists, police said.

Thousands of Moslems meanwhile closed shops and universities to protest the deaths of 29 Moslem bus passengers killed Tuesday in the crossfire between security forces and Moslem militants in the Kashmir valley, police reported.

The would-be marchers, of the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP), were taken into custody in the garrison town of Udhampur, 64 kilometers (40 miles) from the winter capital, they added.

Witnesses said dozens protesting the government ban on the 180-kilometre (112-mile) march to Srinagar, the state's violence-torn summer capital, were injured and a curfew had been imposed in Udhampur.

A spokesman of the ABVP, the student wing of the pro-Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party, said that 300 party activists had been jailed out of the 10,000 who took part to challenge the militants in India's sole Moslem-majority state.

As an apparent state government compromise, seven ABVP members have reportedly been flown into Srinagar to unfurl the Indian flag as a symbolic protest even though a Moslem militant warned against doing so.

Tuesday's slaughter on a Srinagar-bound bus carrying 54 people triggered calls for an enquiry in parliament in New Delhi Wednesday.

Twelve of those who died were caught in the crossfire in a fight between four Moslem militants and border security forces while nine burned to death when explosives carried by the militants caught fire.

Meanwhile 12 people, including six militants shot dead by para-military forces were reported killed Wednesday, taking the death toll in the bloody secessionist campaign to 1,576 since the beginning of the year.

India has accused Pakistan, which controls one-third of the valley and disputes India's control over the rest, of aiding the militants.

Pakistan has denied the charge but professes sympathy with the Moslem militants.

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#90255d4120 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 12) - Talks under way here between member nations of the International Cocoa Organization (ICCO) are focussed on a proposal to fund research and promotion schemes for the product throught the sale of a small part of the organization's cocoa stock.

On the third day of a week of talks Wednesday, ICCO council chairman Peter Baron, who made the proposal, said that it had received "a positive response from delegates" although he added that there were "significant technical difficulties to be overcome."

The ICCO holds some 246,000 tons of cocoa, the remnant of its role as a market stabilizing organization before operations were suspended in February 1988.

In the absence of a consensus on a way to revive the ICCO's market regulating operations, many delegates now see research and promotion as its future role.

Baron said funding for his scheme would require only one or two thousand tons of the stock to be sold.

The cocoa industry is without doubt in need of a promotional boost.

According to commodities brokers Gill and Duffus, low prices are already boosting consumption and curtailing production.

But the latest ICCO forecasts indicate that supply will exceed demand for the sixth year running this year, and that world cocoa stocks will reach

1.1 million tons by the end of 1990, equivalent to more than six months' consumption.

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#90255d4140 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (SEPT. 12) - Bodo tribesmen from the far northeast Wednesday pressed demands for a separate state within the Indian union, saying that if ongoing talks here broke down, Assam state would "burn again."

"Nothing less than a separate state will do," Sansuma Khunggur Bwiswmutiary, president of the powerful All Bodo Students Union (ABSU), said at a press conference during a day's suspension in the tripartite talks.

"These will be the last (talks)," he said, repeating an earlier warning that if this session of negotiations between the Bodos, the Assam government and the central government broke down, the Bodo would not return to the table.

The session is the eighth held since August last year to try to solve the Bodo tribal fight for a separate state to be carved out of oil-rich Assam which borders Bhutan and Bangladesh and whose hills are dotted with tea estates.

So far the Bodo have won New Delhi's recognition that they need more autonomy, but no definite plan to implement a greater degree of self-government.

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#90255d4160 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 12) - Morocco is tendering to buy 14,000 tons of raw sugar for early 1991 delivery, trade sources said here Wednesday.

Syria will tender on Sept. 25 for 24,000 tons of white sugar for October shipment, and on Sept. 26 for 24,000 tons of raw sugar, also for October shipment, they added.

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#90255d4270 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KABUL (SEPT 12) - Renewed fighting between mujahedeen resistance fighters and government forces was reported from several Afghan provinces Wednesday breaking a temporary lull in the conflict in Afghanistan.

A government spokesman said the mujahedeen had attacked government security posts in the provinces of Zabul, Paktiya, Nangahar and Gazni, but give no exact details.

Saudi mercenaries and Afghan rebels launched a joint attack on southern Gazni province, but government troops managed to repulse the assault, he

said without giving details of the casualties.

Afghan government troops also repulsed a similar rebel attack with artillery fire and aerial fire in southern Zabul province and halted a mujahedeen advance in Paktiya in the country's east, the spokesman added.

He said an army convoy carrying food and ammunition had reached western Badgis province, which witnessed fierce combat between government forces and rebels belonging to the Jamiat-i-Islami.

The army has launched a mopping-up operation in Badgis, which borders the Soviet Union, to flush out the mujahedeen assault troops, the spokesman said, adding that the battle situation in the area had improved for the government.

Mujahedeen guerrillas led by Ismail Khan launched a frontal assault in Badgis in the beginning of the month in an effort to capture provincial capital Qalayi Naw, but the attack reportedly failed.

The spokesman said the rebels also attacked the war-shattered eastern province of Nangarhar, bombarding security belts with rocket fire. The local Jalalabad garrison had ordered retaliatory attacks on mujahedeen posts.

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#90255d4310 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (SEPT 12) - Romania's former state security police chief General Julian Vlad ordered his men not to fire on anti-Ceausescu demonstrators here, witnesses said Wednesday on the third day of his trial for alleged complicity in genocide.

Colonel Octavian Nae of the Fifth Securitate Directorate, among the first witnesses to take the stand, told the Supreme Court that Gen. Vlad had instructed him on December 22: "Don't shoot, spare human lives ... There has already been enough bloodshed!"

Col. Nae, then responsible for the security of Nicolae Ceausescu, who fled the capital with his wife Elena that day as a mass protest against his regime turned into an uprising, added that Gen. Vlad gave the order before the couple's helicopter took off.

The 59-year-old general, head of the Securitate for two years, pleaded not guilty on Tuesday. He is accused of carrying out orders by Mr. Ceausescu to fire on demonstrators between December 17 and 22 in the western city of Timisoara and in Bucharest.

Another witness, Colonel Florea Lazarescu, said the Securitate could on

December 22 have turned Palace Square in front of the headquarters of the communist party's central committee into "Tiananmen Square", a reference to the crackdown on protest in Beijing on June 4 last year.

"But Gen. Vlad gave orders not even to fire warning shots and to allow the demonstrators free access to the central committee headquarters," testified Col. Lazarescu, head of the technical service of the Fifth Directorate.

The colonel however added that armed civilians had been given orders to "fire on everything that moves" by Securitate Colonel Emil Radulescu and Dumitru Mazilu, a former official to the United Nations sacked by Mr. Ceausescu in 1988 and taken in for questioning by the Securitate last December 21.

"The young people did not know how to handle weapons. Some of them were drunk and killed each other," Col. Lazarescu said. The witnesses said Gen. Vlad had on the night of December 22 tried to find out who had done the shooting and confined his forces to barracks.

Last August, the public prosecutor announced that Gen. Vlad and four officers including Col. Radulescu would be tried for the "illegal arrest" of Mr. Mazilu, who was released on December 22.

The trial continues Thursday.

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#90255d4320 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 12) - A new contract on high-protein soya flour will be opened on the Baltic Futures Exchange (BFE), James Gray, a spokesman for the London futures market, said Wednesday.

The market's current contract, on soya flour with a lower protein level, will be maintained for the time being, he added. If dealers' interest turns mainly to the new contract, the old one could be gradually phased out.

The high-protein soya must conform with specifications set down in the contract. This stipulates a minimum protein and oil level of 49 percent, a maximum fiber level of 3.5 percent, a maximum humidity level of 13.5 percent, and maximum sand and silica levels of 3.5 percent.

The soya flour must also come from either Europe or the United States.

The flour is one of the main components used in making feed for poultry and pork production.

BFE said the new contract is aimed primarily at European dealers, to help

them cover financial risks in a "very volatile" feed market.

Like the old market, transactions will be made in pounds sterling and involve lots of 20 tonnes.

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#90255d4340 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 12) - Deputies of the Soviet parliament Wednesday got down to studying draft economic reform programmes, working in some 15 committees to choose between one by Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov and a more radical one by Stanislav Shatalin, economic adviser to President Mikhail Gorbachev.

They are expected to need several days before they can meet in full session to take a decision.

The crucial debate on the pace of economic reform and moves toward a free market erupted with a stormy session of parliament Tuesday which saw Mr. Ryzkhov threatening to resign if his government's proposals were not implemented and Mr. Gorbachev banging his fist on the table to restore order.

The Soviet leader expressed a preference for the shock programme of Mr. Shatalin, who co-chairs a special economic reform commission with the president of the Russian Federation, Boris Yeltsin. Their 1,500-page plan calls for wide-ranging privatisation and a lifting of price controls.

Mr. Ryzkhov's plan, already rejected by the Supreme Soviet or parliament in June, calls for some price rises but under state control and accompanied by measures to soften their social impact. The prime minister argued for it in the light of failure to agree on other plans.

Mr. Gorbachev does not want the Ryzhkov government to resign for the meanwhile however, and persuaded the deputies to vote overwhelmingly for keeping the present prime minister in his job.

The president wants to maintain the present government until a new treaty between the various Soviet republics is signed, which should be in December, although analysts expect the deputies finally to go for an amended version of the Shatalin plan.

Tuesday's stormy session underlined the subtle role Mr. Yeltsin is playing, for at the same time the parliament of the Russian Federation adopted the Shatalin programme. That vote by the most important component of the Soviet Union puts the Supreme Soviet before something of a fait accompli.

Mr. Yeltsin simultaneously asked deputies of the Russian Federation to drop their demand for Mr. Ryzhkov's resignation, and this could be seen as a concession by Mr. Yeltsin to Mr. Gorbachev in exchange for implementation at

Soviet Union-level of the Shatalin programme.

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#90255d4380 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VIENNA (SEPT 12) - Albania has decided to raise the salaries of its lowest-paid workers, fixing a minimum wage of 450 lek (64 dollars) a month the Albanian news agency ATA said in a report monitored here Wednesday.

All wages of below 450 lek a month will be raised by 20 percent from October 1, with a guaranteed minimum of 450 lek, according to a decision by the government.

Those earning between 450 and 550 lek (64 and 78 dollars) a month will see their wages increased by 10 percent.

As a result of the increases, the average wage will stand at 570 lek (81 dollars) a month, ATA.

The increases will affect some 480,000 workers in industry and other sectors and 162,000 agricultural workers, and are aimed at "encouraging the working population to improve productivity and increase production."

Prime Minister Adil Carcani had in May launched an economic reform programme, criticising the hold of central planning on the country's economy.

He also stressed the need to motivate workers to "produce more and better and not to produce for the sake of producing as in the past."

The economic reform plan, due to go into effect next year, is aimed at decentralising decision-making power in economic matters so as to "lead Albania on the road to progress without turning away from socialism."

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#90255d4420 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT 12) - The deficit in Great Britain's balance of payments rose higher during the second quarter than had been expected, government figures released Wednesday show.

The deficit increased to 4.9 billion pounds, about 800 million pounds more than anticipated. A smaller than expected surplus in commercial services transactions was given the blame. (The dollar-pound cross rate was pegged at 1.85 Wednesday).

The surplus in commercial services transactions from April to June was 57 million pounds, as compared to government estimates of 900 million pounds.

The reason for the decrease in the surplus was said to be smaller net revenues from travel and sea transportation. A spokesman for the export council for commercial services expressed doubt at the reliability of the government's figures.

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#90255d4440 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 12) - The French navy has inspected an Iraqi freighter in the English Channel, the first such action in this part of the world involving the international economic boycott of Iraq, reports said here Wednesday.

They added that the Bahamas-registered ''Gur Mariner'' was checked off Cherbourg by policemen and later allowed to proceed.

The freighter was returning with its original cargo of containers from the Mideast to Rotterdam, The Netherlands, after an international fleet off Port Said forbade it to pass through the Egyptian Suez Canal, the reports said.

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#90255d4550 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MARSEILLES, France (SEPT. 12) - About 300 guns, assault rifles and rocket-launchers were illegally brought into France by police working at the French Embassy in Lebanon, court sources said here Wednesday.

Twenty-four people, including 13 police officers and two para-military gendarmes, have so far been charged in connection with the arms trafficking and a total 120 weapons along with ammunition retrieved, the sources said.

The investigation is currently focusing on whether some of the weapons were collectors' items and if they were sold to gangsters.

French police responsible for the security of diplomats in Beirut allegedly bought weapons over a five-year period in Lebanon which were sent to France aboard military planes. Investigators suspect that some of the weapons were used in hold-ups on armoured security vehicles.

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#90255d4570 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) - Despite major progress toward a negotiated settlement in Cambodia, non-lethal U.S. aid to the non-communist Cambodian resistance must continue until peace is actually achieved, a top administration official told Congress Wednesday.

Robert Kimmitt, the under secretary of state for political affairs, made the remarks while briefing a congressional committee on the diplomatic efforts that led to Monday's acceptance of a U.N. peace plan by Cambodia's four warring parties.

"As we make diplomatic progress ... It is vital that the United States sustain our current non-lethal aid program for the non-communist organizations of Prince (Norodom) Sihanouk and the Khmer People's National Liberation Front (KPNLF) until an overall settlement is actually achieved," he said.

The amount of the covert aid to these two groups, which are allied with the communist Khmer Rouge in a U.N.-recognized coalition, is classified but is believed to be on the order of 50 million dollars per year.

"Cutting off aid to the non-communists (as some congressmen have suggested) would undercut their position and our credibility just as the diplomatic process appears to be moving toward a conclusion," Mr. Kimmitt said.

He told members of the House of Representatives' Asian and Pacific Affairs subcommittee that allegations that some of the U.S. aid was being diverted to the Khmer Rouge or was enhancing their combat capacity were unfounded.

"I assure you that we will immediately cease our material support for any non-communist resistance organization if reliable intelligence demonstrates that the legal prohibition applies," he added.

Mr. Kimmitt described as a "major step ... toward a comprehensive political settlement" Monday's decision by the four Cambodian parties in Jakarta to accept the peace plan crafted by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council last month.

The Hanoi-backed Phnom Penh Government and the tripartite resistance formed a 12-member Supreme National Council (SNC), with an equal number of representatives for the two sides.

Under the peace plan, the U.N. is also to play a major role in administering Cambodia during the transition to free and fair elections.

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#90255d4590 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Addis Ababa (SEPT. 12) - Ethiopian President Mengistu Haile Mariam has called on the People's Liberation Fronts of Eritrea (Eplf) and Tigray (Tplf) to put an end to the bleeding and suffering of the people and present their grievances at the negotiating table in the presence of international observers.

In a speech marking the 16th anniversary of the Ethiopian revolution,

Mengistu told 30,000 to 40,000 people assembled Wednesday at the vast Revolution Square in Addis Ababa that the fundamental and pressing problem confronting the Ethiopian people at present was the threat to peace and national unity as a result of separatist and terrorist activities in the northern part of the country.

The Eplf has been fighting for 29 years for an independent state of Eritrea, while the Tplf has been fighting for 15 years for the overthrow of the government.

Preliminary peace talks with the Eplf collapsed last November in Nairobi and with the Tplf last December in Rome.

Last February, the Eplf started a major offensive which brought almost all of Eritrea with the exception of the provincial capital Asmara under its control.

The simple fact was that the government considered the defence of national unity and the security of the people to be of utmost importance, while the enemy was just as resolutely committed to bringing about the country's fragmentation, Mengistu declared.

For the first time since the government abandoned Marxism-Leninism last March, Mengistu did not use Marxist vocabulary as at earlier anniversaries and the usual sea of red flags was also absent.

Young officers deposed ageing Emperor Haile Selassie on September 12, 1974. After several bloody purges among themselves, Mengistu emerged two-and-a-half years later as Ethiopia's new strongman. dpa wo 121845 sep 90

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#90255d4640 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT. 12) - Main points of the German reunification treaty signed here Wednesday by the two Germanies and the World War II allies of the Soviet Union, United States, Britain and France:

ARTICLE 1 - The united Germany shall comprise the territory of the Federal Republic of Germany, the German Democratic Republic and the whole of Berlin ... The united Germany and the Republic of Poland shall confirm the existing border between them in a treaty that is binding under international law ... The governments of the FRG and GDR shall ensure that the constitution of the united Germany does not contain any provision incompatible with these principles.

ARTICLE 2 - ... According to the constitution of the united Germany, acts tending to and undertaken with the intent to disturb the peaceful relations

between nations especially to prepare for aggressive war, are unconstitutional and a punishable offence ...

ARTICLE 3 - The Governments of the FRG and the GDR reaffirm their renunciation of the manufacture and possession of and control over nuclear, biological and chemical weapons. They declare that the united Germany, too, will abide by these commitments ...

The Government of the FRG, acting in full agreement with the government of the GDR, made the following statement on 30 August 1990 in Vienna at the negociations on Conventional armed forces in Europe: "The governement of the FRG undertakes to reduce the personnel strength of the armed forces of the united Germany to 370,000 (ground, air and naval forces) within three or four years ...

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#90255d4680 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (SEPT. 12) - More than 17,500 foreigners, Asians for the most part, have been flown out of Jordan since early Tuesday, while during the same period some 15,000 entered the country from Iraq, official sources said here late Wednesday.

They said an estimated 40,000 refugees remained stranded in Jordan but added that international air and sea operations to repatriate them were continuing.

On Monday United Nations officials said there were some 74,000 people waiting to leave Jordan.

The number of refugees staying in makeshift transit camps at the Ruweished border post 270 kilometers (170 miles) east of here had declined to 21,059 on Wednesday from more than 50,000 on Saturday, according to official Jordanian sources.

More than half a million people fleeing Iraq and Kuwait have passed through Jordan on their way home since August 5, three days after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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#90255d4710 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAHORE, Pakistan (SEPT 12) - A special tribunal here indicted a former minister close to ousted premier Benazir Bhutto on Wednesday for recommending that a power plant contract go to Mistubishi, even though the Japanese firm was not the lowest bidder.

Tareq Rahim, former parliamentary affairs minister in Ms. Bhutto's deposed

government, has been summoned to appear in court on September 22, the official Associated Press of Pakistan (APP) said.

If he fails to do so, he will be "judged guilty" of having tried to influence the national Water and Power Development Authority (WAPDA) into awarding a contract to Mitsubishi, the news agency said.

The project involved a 300-megawatt power plant in the southern city of Guddu, and Mitsubishi's offer "was not the lowest," APP said, quoting the petitioner who acted in the name of President Ghulam Ishaq Khan.

If Mr. Rahim's "written" recommendation to the head of WAPDA had been acted on, the state would have lost 90 million rupees (4.13 million dollars), APP said.

The former minister's lawyer said meanwhile that the letter in question had no signature, date, or destination.

If convicted, Mr. Rahim faces disqualification from public life for seven years and a ban on running in scheduled October 24 general elections under rules established last month after parliament was dissolved and the government ousted.

However, the same tribunal, presided over by Judge Munir A. Sheikh, on Wednesday declared as "inadmissable" a complaint against former oil minister Jehangir Badar, which was also filed in the president's name.

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#90255d4770 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (SEPT 12) - Bangladesh President Hussain Mohammad Ershad left here Wednesday for Ankara to oversee the evacuation of Bangladeshis stranded in Turkey after fleeing Kuwait and Iraq, officials said.

Mr. Ershad was accompanied by Foreign Minister Anisul Islam Mahmud. They are to visit Diyar Baker, a Turkish town near the Iraqi border where more than 10,000 Bangladeshis were waiting in camps for repatriation, the officials said.

During his two-day visit, Mr. Ershad will also have talks with Turkish President Turgut Ozal on the repatriation of Bangladeshis as well as the Gulf crisis.

A Foreign Office spokesman told reporters here Wednesday that the president would fly to Saudi Arabia from Turkey to hold talks with King Fahd.

Dhaka sent a military contingent to Saudi Arabia last week.

Turkey has been operating 17 chartered flights from Adana and Diyar Baker to airlift Bangladeshi refugees back to Dhaka.

The Foreign Office spokesman also said that the United Nations was expected to name a coordinator for relief operations in the Gulf, adding that the step was "timely and appropriate."

Dhaka, he said, considered Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's proposal for an international conference on the Gulf crisis "useful for finding a solution to the problem which was going beyond all proportions."

Bangladesh, which backed U.N. Security Council resolutions against Baghdad,

had some 80,000 of its nationals, mostly workers, in Kuwait and at least another 10,000 in Iraq at the time of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of the tiny emirate.

More than 40,000 Bangladeshis have since fled Kuwait and taken shelter in neighbouring Saudi Arabia, Jordan and Turkey, officials here said.

Since evacuations began on August 22, more than 18,000 had been airlifted to Dhaka by early Wednesday.

France meanwhile was exploring the possibility of chartering two ships to evacuate Bangladeshi and other South Asian nationals in Jordan and Turkey refugee camps, the Bangladesh's official BSS news agency said.

French Minister for Humanitarian Action Bernard Kouchner told BSS in Paris Wednesday that his country would also make available two more aircraft for the evacuation, according to the agency.

-30- 2451
#90255d4840 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Bonn (SEPT. 12) - The West German government denied Wednesday that it had hired any former East German ''Stasi'' secret service agents.

Minister of State Lutz Stavenhagen told parliament that the Bonn government had stopped all intelligence work in East Germany in spring, adding that there could be no comparing West Germany's intelligence service with the ''Stasi''.

He was reacting to accusations by the main opposition Social Democrats that Bonn had hired former Stasi agents, and that East Germany's Interior Minister Peter-Michael Diestel was shielding former Stasi agents and still giving them key jobs.

The Christian Democrats of Chancellor Helmut Kohl countered that the Social

Democrats were merely trying to thwart Diestel's chances in forthcoming elections in East Germany, in which he is candidate as Prime Minister of the new state of Brandenburg.

In East Berlin, 24 civil rights campaigners who have been occupying the former Stasi headquarters announced they were going on hunger strike to press their demands for East Germans to be allowed access to former Stasi files, and that these files not be removed to Bonn after German unity on October 3.

The ruling Council of Ministers meanwhile demanded that a commission supervising the dissolving of the Stasi apparatus should immediately demand from Diestel's interior ministry and other ministries a list of former Stasi officers still believed to be on active service, or in service until recently.

A left-wing faction announced that it would be tabling a motion in the Volkskammer - East Germany's parliament - Thursday demanding that Diestel resign because he had failed properly to supervise the dissolution of the Stasi. The motion was expected to get majority support.

-30- 1946

#90255d4900 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (SEPT 12) - Fighting was continuing Wednesday in the Liberian capital Monrovia, where the two rebel factions were trying to extend their territory before the arrival of a provisional government set up by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS).

The National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) of Charles Taylor said Wednesday in a radio broadcast that it had taken control of the small Spriggs Payne Airport in Monrovia and a hospital and was moving in on the presidental Executive Mansion from the east, according to the British Broadcasting Corp. (BBC).

The rival rebel force led by Prince Johnson was reported by the BBC to be moving in on the building from the west.

Forces loyal to President Samuel Doe, killed Monday by the Johnson faction, were said to be returning fire from the presidency.

In Lagos, a high-level delegation of Nigeria's military government set out Wednesday on a "fact-finding mission" to Liberia, described as "confidential", a reliable source there said. The exact destination of the mission was not disclosed.

There has not been any formal assent from the warring parties to the setting up of a provisional government, and no assurance that the

peace-keeping force sent into Liberia by ECOWAS will be better able to ensure its security than it did that of Mr. Doe, kidnapped under its nose by the Johnson forces Sunday.

Named to head the interim administration is political science professor Amos Sawyer, who backed Mr. Doe in his early years in power and oversaw the drawing up of a constitution. He later returned to the opposition with his Movement for Justice in Africa (MOJA), which fought President William Tolbert.

According to an officer of the Nigerian contingent of the ECOWAS force, its largest component, Mr. Taylor's forces are observing some kind of truce with the peace-keeping force.

Prince Johnson, a breakaway rival of Mr. Taylor's, has said he is prepared to work with the provisional government. But on Monday he also declared himself interim president. Mr. Taylor has for his part been calling himself Liberia's president since July.

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#90255d4920 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (SEPT. 12) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1.796,00 (1.737,50) 1.603,50 (1.609,50)
Lead 455,00 (454,00) 461,50 (459,50)
Zinc Hg 1,607,50 (1.627,00) 1,507,00 (1.524,00)
Tin 5.805,00 (5.805,00) 5.922,50 (5.917,50)
Aluminium 2.075,00 (2.059,50) 2.001,50 (1.992,50)
Nickel 11.625,00 (11.550,00) 11.212,00 (11.212,00)

(Last three in dollars per ton)

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#90255d4970 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (SEPT 12) - Iran is capitalizing on the Gulf crisis -- playing the EEC against Iraq -- by threatening to circumvent a United Nations embargo on Baghdad if efforts to resume normal ties with the community bog down.

As Iran and Iraq agreed Monday to resume diplomatic ties severed in the eight-year Gulf war, the European Economic Community announced it was "very close to an agreement" to resolve the Salman Rushdie affair, which triggered the current rift between Teheran and the 12 European states.

Analysts here said the unprecedented visit by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz, who met his Iranian counterpart Ali Akbar Velayati on Sunday, could have yielded better results if the impending Iran-EEC rapprochement had not claimed equal attention.

Mr. Aziz left Teheran on Monday with only the assurance of restored Iran-Iraq relations, despite a dramatic peace offer made by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on August 15.

The two countries, whose war began in September 1980, did not formally sever relations until October 1987. They agreed to a United Nations-monitored cease-fire in August 1988.

Progress toward a permanent peace accord was held up until August 15 this year when Mr. Hussein, hoping to enlist Iranian support in his standoff with the West, agreed to accept Iran's terms for a formal conclusion to the conflict.

The Iraqi decision led to an exchange of prisoners of war and made possible Mr. Aziz's visit. Iran and Iraq have swapped 66,248 POWs since August 17 under Red Cross supervision.

The official communique on Mr. Aziz's visit from the Iranian Foreign Ministry made no reference to Teheran's willingness to help Baghdad elude a United Nations embargo, which was imposed to protest Baghdad's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

And a government source told Agence France-Presse that no agreement on the issue had been signed between Teheran and Baghdad during the visit by Mr. Aziz.

But the English-language Teheran Times, considered close to President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, reported that such assistance may be forthcoming.

-30- 2285

#90255d4990 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Nairobi (SEPT. 12) - A report dealing with the assassination of former Kenyan foreign minister Robert Ouko will not be published, the country's current foreign minister said here Wednesday.

Wilson Ndolo Ayah told the British Broadcasting Corporation that the report will be used as material for future Kenyan police investigations about the murder which occurred on February 16.

Superintendent John Troon and two other colleagues from London's Scotland Yard were asked to investigate the case and spent several weeks in a

region in western Kenya, where Ouko's charred body was found with a bullet in the head.

The report is still at the British High Commission, or embassy, in Nairobi. Kenya's Attorney-General, Mathiew Muli, said he wanted Troon to deliver the document personally to him.

Kenya's press has been eagerly waiting for the report to be published and has speculated it would confirm that Ouko's murder was politically motivated.

-30- 1132

#90255d5050 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 12) - Several hundred oil rig workers in the North Sea began a 24-hour strike Wednesday to press demands for recognition of their union, improved safety conditions and rehiring of fired strikers, a union official said.

Shell and British Petroleum, the two companies hit by the strike, said production was not affected.

Five similar strikes occurred last month.

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#90255d5060 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 12) - Sikh militants wounded five passengers when they opened fire on an express train in Punjab while 16 people died in violence elsewhere in the northern state, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said Wednesday.

Sikh militants fired on the Frontier Mail as it passed through Beas-Rayya en route to Amritsar from Bombay late Tuesday, PTI said.

A child and four other passengers were injured, it added.

The news agency said 16 people died in violence linked to the Sikh separatist campaign in the last 24 hours, including four members of a farmer's family shot dead by militants at Batala in Punjab's Gurdaspur district.

More than 1,700 people have died so far this year in Punjab in violence linked to the Sikh campaign for an independent homeland in Punjab.

-30- 952

#90255d5160 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT 12) - Eleven Bhutanese nationals of Nepalese descent launched a one-day hunger strike here Wednesday, alleging violation of

human rights and discrimination by the Bhutanese government.

"We want the Indian government to speak for us and highlight the atrocities inflicted on us by the Bhutanese government," Bhutan Peoples Party (BPP) general secretary D.K Rai said.

The strikers demanded the unconditional release of political prisoners, judicial reforms, freedom of press and religion and equal rights for all ethnic groups in the country.

While expressing support for Bhutan's King Jigme Singye Wangchuk, Mr. Rai said they wanted to change the "absolutist" monarchy to a "constitutional one on the lines of the Nepalese system."

The tiny Himalayan mountain monarchy of Bhutan, bordering the eastern Indian states of Assam and West Bengal, is inhabited by 1.4 million people the majority being Buddhists but with some 25 per cent Hindus of Nepalese origin.

The government has denied any human rights abuses or racial discrimination pointing to several administrative posts held by nationals of Nepalese origin.

The BPP spokesman alleged that 10,000 Bhutanese had so far "escaped to India to escape the Bhutanese army atrocities," a figure which was denied last week by Bhutanese and Indian officials here who put the number at a few hundred.

Bhutan, which under a treaty with India "coordinates" its foreign relations with New Delhi, is one of the seven members of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation.

-30- 1764

#90255d5200 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (SEPT. 12) - Police arrested 52 people in the central Yugoslavian republic of Bosnia and Herzogovina on Tuesday and Wednesday to stop clashes between Serbs and Moslems, Tanjug news agency reported.

The town of Foca, with more than 10,000 inhabitants, has been tense for several months in light of a prolonged strike in a transport enterprise, which risks degenerating into ethnic clashes.

A state of emergency was imposed on Monday.

On Tuesday, police using truncheons and tear gas broke up a gathering of several hundred Serbs defying a ban against demonstrations.

Tanjug said that 43 Serbs and nine Moslems had been arrested in the past two days.

Moslems make up more than 40 per cent of the republic's population of some 4.5 million. Most of them are descendants of Serbs and Croats converted to Islam during centuries of Ottoman domination.

Police also prevented clashes Wednesday between Serbs and Moslems at Novi Pazar, 180 kilometres (about 110 miles) south of Belgrade, as several thousand Moslems held a counter-demonstration to match a rally by supporters of the Serbian Renewal Movement, Tanjug said.

In all, Moslems constitute some 20 per cent of Yugoslavia's 23 million people.

-30- 1397

#90255d5210 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 12) - The 1991 French defense budget will rise by 3.3 percent overall compared with this year, according to the draft budget unveiled here Wednesday.

But the equipment budget has been rolled back by six billion francs (1.14 billion dollars) over an original plan, in accordance with an economy ministry directive, to keep the equipment increase at 1.03 percent.

Based on a projected inflation rate of 2.8 percent, the defence budget increase is of less than one percent.

France's defence budget, the largest after education and totalling 238.4 billion francs (45.4 billion dollars) next year, makes up 18.6 percent of civilian and military spending in the overall budget.

The 1991 defence budget was prepared amid accelerated disarmament moves after the political upheavals in eastern Europe but before the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

It calls for increased operational spending, excluding pensions, to rise to 91.4 billion francs (17.4 billion dollars), up 4.6 percent compared to 3.53 percent this year.

The funds were earmarked as the French army is about to embark on a modernisation plan providing for troop cuts of some 9,750 men, mostly among conscripts.

A total 2.14 billion francs (4 million dollars) were set aside for salary increases.

The defence budget is a transitional one, as legislation on France's

military programme runs to 1993.

But the planned equipment adjustments, out of a total equipment budget of 103 billion francs (19.6 billion dollars) could hit certain programmes already under way such as the new Rafale fighter bomber aircraft and an additional aircraft carrier for the fleet to be called the Charles de Gaulle.

-30- 1912
#90255d5260 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) - When Mayor David Dinkins came to office early this year he promised to be tough on crime and bring new racial harmony to New York.

But for many New Yorkers, a record-breaking crime wave sweeping America's largest city seems to be more than the new executive can handle.

"David Dinkins, do something!" blared a newspaper headline recently, while its inside pages were filled with the gory details of a typical day in the Big Apple.

The latest details include a 22-year old man stabbed through the heart by a rebuffed panhandler, 10 children hit by stray bullets in two months and nightly assaults on taxi drivers -- not to mention the headline-seeking Zodiac serial killer and the young Utah tennis fan knifed by a group of teenage robbers during a visit to the city to see last week's U.S. Open tennis championships.

A vexing cocktail of problems for the city's first black mayor, who's election last November brought hopes for long-sought-after racial harmony in this proverbial melting pot.

The summer-long trial of three black youths sentenced this week for raping and severely beating a white woman jogger in Central Park underscored the wide racial chasm still splitting the city.

Even if newspaper reports carefully avoid mentioning skin color of victims and assailants, the photographs relentlessly bring home the fact that the majority of arrests involve blacks or hispanics from the ghettos.

To top it all off, an opinion poll in this week's Time magazine announced that six out of 10 New Yorkers would move out of the city if given the chance.

Mr. Dinkins quickly counterattacked by questioning the poll's accuracy and accusing the publication of painting an overly bleak picture.

As the criticism mounts, the Harlem-raised, 62-year-old mayor seems increasingly bent on defying the city's reputation as crime capital of the

world by flaunting himself in non-stop public appearances.

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#90255d5360 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (SEPT. 12) - Iraq's supreme religious authority on Wednesday issued a decree calling on Moslems to wage jihad, or holy war, to rid the Gulf of the U.S. military presence, the Iraqi news agency INA reported.

The deployment of U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia "sullies the holy places and does harm to the honor and dignity" of Moslems, the agency said in a dispatch received here.

The United States has stationed 100,000 air and ground forces in Saudi Arabia, where the sacred Islamic cities of Mecca and Medina are located, in the aftermath of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Saudi Arabia requested the deployment to help defend itself against a possible attack from Iraqi forces in Kuwait. Iraq repeatedly denied that it initended to move into Saudi Arabia.

Wednesday's fatwa, or religious decree, was issued by a group of ulema, senior Moslem theologians.

Earlier in the day Iranian Spiritual Guide Ayatollah Ali Khamenei called on Moslems to combat the U.S. presence in the Gulf and said such a struggle would constitute holy war.

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#90255d5420 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DAMASCUS (SEPT 12) - Syrian President Hafez al-Assad on Wednesday denounced the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait as "unforgivable."

"The invasion of Kuwait, its annexation and suppression are a terrible catastrophe (for the Arab nation) and an unforgivable mistake," Mr. Asaad said at a military ceremony.

"In the face of so grave an event, Syria cannot stand by with its arms folded, without taking a stand," he asserted.

Syria, at an Arab summit August 10, eight days after the invasion, supported a resolution -- backed by 12 of the Arab League's 21 members -- that condemned the Iraqi move and approved the deployment of Arab forces in Saudi Arabia.

Even before the Gulf crisis, Syria had been Iraq's principal rival for stature in the Arab world.

-30- 941
#90255d5520 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT 12) - As rebel factions battled to gain ground in Liberia on Wednesday before an interim government team arrived, the United Nations was set to place the West African nation on the list of least developed countries (LDCs).

Informed sources close to a U.N. conference here on the LDCs said the decision that Liberia will become the 42nd such nation had already been taken and should be ratified within the next two or three weeks by the U.N. General Assembly.

Iron ore is Liberia's principal resource, accounting for more than 70 per cent of foreign exchange income, but the mines based mostly in northeastern Nimba county have been shut down by the civil war that began last December with a rebel incursion.

Liberian President Samuel Doe was reported killed on Monday by one of the rebel factions. Delegates from an interim government set up under the auspices of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) left the Gambian capital Banjul on Tuesday, officials there said.

-30- 1202
#90255d5610 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (SEPT 12) - The European Community Commission Wednesday proposed making some 1.6 billion dollars aid available for Egypt, Turkey and Jordan between now and the end of 1991.

Half would come from E.C. funds and half in voluntary contributions by E.C. states. The commission said the money would be to compensate the three allied countries hardest hit by a stop in trade with Iraq following the imposition of sanctions.

In Strasbourg, the European Parliament called on the 12 E.C. states to join the United Nations and humanitarian organisations in starting an airlift of refugees from occupied Kuwait to their homelands.

The parliament also urged a special summit of E.C. leaders to seek a peaceful settlement of the Gulf crisis.

-30- 945
#90255d5750 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (SEPT 12) - Nineteen workers were killed Wednesday in an explosion in a goldmine 2,000 metres (6,600 feet) underground and another 18

miners were injured in the blast, mine officials said.

A further 86 people were overcome by gas and under observation, the medical superintendent of the Val Reefs mine, 180 kilometres (110 miles) from here, said.

Three of the injured were critical and eight were described as in serious condition.

The Val Reefs mine is owned by the giant Anglo-American Corporation (AAC).

Divisional manager Nap Mayer said it was difficult to determine the cause of the explosion. Explosive experts were investigating, as was a government mining engineer, he said.

The blast occured in a newly opened-up area and so production was not affected he added.

The National Union of Mineworkers (NUM) said the "racist attitude of government and mine bosses" were at the root of "the annual carnage" in South African mines.

It severely criticised the attitude of managers of the Anglo-American Corporation towards Wednesday's casualties as "insensitive and arrogant".

The NUM was upset at not being "treated as one of the main parties involved" and invited to join management executives who went underground for an on-site inspection after the blast, the union statement said.

Its officials have however been invited to visit the scene Thursday morning.

"It is shocking to learn of this tragic incident hardly two weeks after 10 mineworkers died at AAC's President Steyn Gold Mine. In Klerksdorp alone, 92 mineworkers lost their lives since January this year," the NUM statement said.

It added that black mineworkers were "forced to work in places they considered dangerous" and that despite the "excessively high annual death rates", no commission into mine safety had been held since 1963.

"The mine inspectorate treated accidents superficially without probing into deeper health and safety of the mines in general, and the law is extremely inadequate on health and safety issues," the NUM said.

Laws governing mine health and safety were "outdated and heavily biased against workers".

The union called on the government and the Chamber of Mines to establish a national forum where the union could address such problems.

-30- 2523
#90255d5780 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SANAA (SEPT 12) - Yemeni President Ali Abdallah Saleh on Wednesday pledged his country's support for any Arab state that comes under attack by foreign forces.

"In the past, we contributed with our blood to the defense of the Arab nation. We are now prepared to do even more for any Arab country that is the victim of foreign aggression," he told a meeting organized by the General Union of Yemeni Women on means to confront foreign intervention in the Gulf region.

Yemen has not backed Arab League and United Nations Security Council resolutions condemning the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

There have been several public demonstrations here to denounce the deployment of U.S. and Western forces in the Gulf that followed the Iraqi invasion.

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#90255d5790 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (SEPT 12) - A military court here has sentenced to death 29 suspected coup plotters following a failed April 22 coup attempt against the government of General Ibrahim Babangida, reliable sources said here Wednesday.

The sentences have yet to be confirmed by the military government's Armed Forces Ruling Council, to which the court submitted its verdict Wednesday, the sources said.

Forty-two people have already been executed, on July 27, in connection with the abortive coup after being sentenced by the same military court.

The court on Wednesday also sentenced 11 people to life imprisonment and nine others to lesser prison terms, the sources said.

Those executed in July included the leader of the plotters, Major Gideon Orkar eight other officers and 33 other ranks, including seven ex-servicemen.

-30- 1017
#90255d6360 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LIMA, (SEPT 12) - Beijing wants an immediate withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis, Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen said here Wednesday.

Wrapping up a three-day visit to Peru, Mr. Qian told reporters Iraq's August 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait constituted "impermissible acts."

"We favor a peaceful solution within the framework of the U.N. Security Council and the Arab world," Mr. Quian said.

He also announced that Beijing would provide the Peruvian Government with a credit totaling 6.3 million dollars for small, yet-to-be-defined projects and an in-kind grant of 630,000 dollars worth of products.

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#90255d6430 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST, (SEPT 12) - Ganz-Hunslet Budapest, a Hungarian-British joint venture is set on vying to win a slice of the underground railway construction projects in Taipei and Kaohsiung, Taiwan's two largest cities, the Hungarian news agency MTI reported Wednesday quoting company General Director Harold A. Codd.

Ganz-Hunslet came out just Monday with its latest product, a brand new six-carriage underground train of which the first was put into service in Budapest.

Until now exclusively Soviet-made underground trains were used in the Hungarian capital. Compared to them the Ganz-Hunslet new low-consumption train saves 17 per cent of electricity.

Ganz-Hunslet was set up nine months ago with a starting capital of 701 millon forints (11.5 million dollars) with 51 per cent staked by British Hunslet, and 49 per cent shared among Hungarian shareholders, such as Budapest Bank, Hungarian Credit Bank and the State Development Institute.

-30- 1153

#90255d6440 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO, (SEPT 13) - An air search for a Cessna 206 sea plane with five persons on board missing in a mountainous region in southern Norway was stopped Wednesday after darkness and bad weather set in.

The small plane was carrying four reindeer hunters into the mountains. Its owner said the 25-year-old pilot was very experienced and that he still hoped the plane may have landed on a small lake.

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#90255d6510 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (SEPT 12) - President George Bush Wednesday named Harmon Kirby, a 56-year-old career diplomat, to replace Rush Taylor as U.S. Ambassador to Togo.

Mr. Kirby, currently head of the State Department's Office of Performance

Evaluation, has served in U.S. missions in Geneva, Madras, New Delhi, Brussels, Khartoum, and Rabat.

His nomination is subject to Senate approval.

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#90255d6640 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT 13) (AFP) - President Saddam Hussein has authorized the return of a U.S. student held in Iraq after receiving a letter from the young man's mother, official sources said Wednesday.

The mother of Thomas Hart Eiwald, in a letter which is to be made public Thursday, asked the Iraqi leader to release her son who suffers from asthma, the sources said. The letter was sent in care of the Iraqi Embassy in Washington.

Mary Eiwald wrote that she was in favor of understanding between Arabs and Americans and had written poems and organized meetings to help U.S. citizens learn more about Islamic civilization, the sources said.

Mr. Hussein on August 31 ordered the release for health reasons of six Americans detained in Kuwait following an intervention by U.S. Democratic politician Jesse Jackson.

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#90255d6650 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (SEPT 12) - The U.S. House of Representatives, exasperated by the sluggish response of American allies in the Gulf crisis, passed legislation Wednesday to force them to pay a greater portion of the overall defense bill.

By a 370-53 vote, the House approved an amendment to a 283 billion dollar defense bill that would require Japan to pay all costs of stationing 50,000 U.S. troops in that country.

The United States now spends 4.5 billion dollars a year, with Japan contributing 2.9 billion dollars, to maintain the U.S. force in Japan.

For each year that Japan does not pay the full cost, 5,000 U.S. troops would be withdrawn, under the terms of the amendment, which still must be reconciled with the Senate version of the defense bill.

"Collective security means collective responsibility," said Representative David Bonior, a Michigan Democrat who sponsored the amendment.

He said Wednesday's vote sent a clear message to Japan, and other U.S. allies.

"This is a wake-up call," he said. "This is a real wake-up call for the new world order."

Japan has drawn heavy criticism during congressional debate in recent days on the defense budget for fiscal 1991, which begins October 1.

But other allies have been slapped for reluctance to respond to the U.S. call for assistance in stopping Iraqi aggression in the Gulf.

The House agreed to prohibit use of any Defense Department funds for building a new air base at Crotone, Italy, for the 401st Tactical Air Wing of F-16 jet fighters.

-30- 1733

#90255d6860 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 12) - State Department officials Wednesday sprang to the defense of U.S. ambassador to Iraq April Glaspie amid allegations that she misread signals in late July that Iraq planned to invade Kuwait.

Ms. Glaspie, who left Baghdad for Washington via London one day before Iraqi forces rolled into the oil-rich emirate August 2, has been on consultations with the State Department since her return here.

One week before the Iraqi invasion, the ambassador held a meeting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and his foreign minister, Tareq Aziz, during which the Kuwaiti-Iraqi border dispute was discussed.

Allegations that Ms. Glaspie, a 48-year-old career diplomat, was warned of an imminent Iraqi invasion during the July 25 meeting in Baghdad were aired in an ABC television documentary late Tuesday.

ABC cited a transcript of that meeting provided by the Iraqis that purported to show that Mr. Hussein made it clear to the U.S. envoy that he would use force if upcoming Saudi-sponsored talks between the two sides did not meet his demands.

In an interview with the New York Times published Wednesday, Ms. Glaspie said: "Obviously, I didn't think, and nobody else did, that the Iraqis were going to take all of Kuwait. Every Kuwaiti and Saudi, every analyst in the Western world was wrong too. That does not excuse me. But people who now claim that all was clear were not heard from at the time."

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#90255d6920 09/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT 12) - Iraq refused Thursday to allow international organizations to distribute food to hundreds of thousands of

foreign workers stranded in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Iraq's Ambassador to the United Nations, Abdul Amir al Anbari said that allowing international organizations to distribute the food is "not only humiliating, but demoralizing for the population."

Mr. al Anbari had met earlier with U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar after a U.N. sanctions committee failed to find a way to allow food to be delivered to stranded foreigners without breaching the trade embargo against Iraq.

The United Nations imposed the trade embargo following the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The committee was said to be torn between those countries intent on a no-exceptions embargo and those -- primarily India, Sri Lanka and the Philippines -- who wanted to get food to a large number of their expatriate workers stranded in tent cities within the embargoed region.

Yemen and Cuba, the two security council members that abstained from all anti-Iraq resolutions, favored food shipments but opposed any stipulation that they go only to foreign workers.

The other 13 members were said to be concerned that any food entering Iraqi-controlled areas would likely not go to foreigners, and would more probably be channeled to the Iraqi military.

After days of discussing the dilemma, the sanctions committee sent the matter to the Security Council for consideration Thursday. With the exception of Cuba and Yemen, council members have supported international control over food distribution.

Meanwhile, an Indian ship was waiting to deliver 10,000 tons of food to some 175,000 Indian nationals in Iraq and Kuwait.

"Some members of the security council are holding this ship as a hostage. We will cooperate with India," said Mr. Al Anbari. "Food distrtibution will be through Iraqi authorities."

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#90255e0010 09/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Algeciras, Spain (SEPT. 12) EFE - Hundreds of people attacked and slightly injured two Spanish Civil Guards on a beach in southern Spain as they tried to arrest a group of suspected cigarette smugglers, government officials said Wednesday.

They said some 500 people Tuesday beat off the two guards with a hail of

stones as they attempted to arrest the smugglers who were allegedly unloading cigarettes on a beach near the city of Cadiz, some 500 km south of Madrid.

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#90255e0013 09/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

San Salvador (SEPT. 12) EFE - Salvadoran government and leftist rebel representatives open a fresh round of peace talks Thursday amid fears that an ongoing row over the future of the Armed Forces may spark a new wave of violence in the decade-old civil war.

The government +has not moved even a milimeter+ on the issue of the Armed Forces, said guerrilla negotiator Salvador Samayoa on Tuesday.

But Samayoa and the other Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) rebel delegates to the five-day talks in Costa Rica have indicated they may soften their stance of demanding the disbandment of the Armed Forces and the formation of a civilian police force.

"It is a proposal for negotiation, which means it cannot be rigid," Samayoa told EFE by phone from Mexico, where the FMLN team Monday ended two days of preliminary talks with delegates from El Salvador's major political parties.

"We think the (Costa Rica) meeting could mean an advance in the negotiation process," Samayoa said.

"But it does not depend only on us," he added.

Even if the rebels modify their proposal that the Armed Forces be disbanded, they are bound to insist on a purge of senior military officers who human rights groups claim run right-wing death squads.

The paramilitary death squads are held responsible for more than half the estimated 75,000 deaths in the civil war.

In order to stave off a second successive failure in the U.N.- sponsored series of monthly negotiations, both sides are expected to seek agreement this week on less contentious issues, such as electoral and judicial reform.

Observers reckon failure would bring dangers of a new military offensive by both sides.

The FMLN last November called off peace talks after a trade union headquarters was bombed, and days later launched its largest-ever offensive.

On its side, the Army has in recent weeks stepped up its raids on rebel positions.

But in an apparent concession to the rebels, the right-wing government has reshuffled its military high command over the past 10 days, removing or demoting several hardliners.

"The government's position is to give some concessions to the FMLN" at the Costa Rica talks, said Deputy Security Minister Col. Inocente Montano on Tuesday.

But President Alfredo Cristiani has said, "We are in no way going to discuss the existence of the Armed Forces."

This week's Costa Rica meeting will be the fifth round of talks since negotiations were resumed in May.

The two sides had agreed to work for a cease-fire agreement by September 15, but this is now considered way beyond reach.

Both sides will doubtless bear in mind the possibility of the U.S. government cutting its proposed military aid package for the 12 months from October 1, currently set at some dlrs 85 million.

Opposition Democrat legislators in Washington have proposed a 50 per cent cut in the package, but have said it could be fully restored if the FMLN either withdraws from the peace process or steps up its armed campaign.

The U.S. Congress is to debate the issue later this month.

Washington has throughout the 1980s backed the Salvadoran government to the hilt in its anti-insurgency campaign, but the country's appalling human rights record has brought a review of policy in recent months.

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#90255e0018 09/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
NICOSIA (SEPT 12) EFE - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker is to set aside Washington's long-standing condemnation of Syria for allegedly supporting international terrorism as he seeks in his trip to Damascus Thursday to consolidate Syrian support against Iraq.

Washington has alleged that Syria supported the 1988 bomb attack on a Pan Am commercial jet which exploded over the Scottish village of Lockerbie killing hundreds of people.

But the main item in Baker's agenda of talks with Syrian President Hafez Al Assad is to further capitalize on the Syrian president's personal and political antagonism towards his Iraqi counterpart Saddam Hussein.

Syria has condemned Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and sent troops to Saudi Arabia to join a U.S.-spearheaded military intervention in the Gulf.

According to U.S. officials, Washington considers important Syria's support in making Iraq back off given Al Assad's political astuteness and his ability to wreak havoc from afar.

Damascus has become the center for anti-Saddam opposition groups an in the event of the Gulf conflict dragging on, the United States would prefer Saddam to be overthrown internally rather than through a costly and bloody war.

Washington knows well that there is no love lost between Saddam and Al Assad, who supported Iran in the 1980-88 Gulf War and wants to wrest undisputed leadership of the Baath party from the Iraqi president.

In exchange for Syrian support, U.S. diplomats in the region have hinted that Washington might be prepared to remove Syria from its black list of countries supporting terrorism.

But an agreement would still have to be reached over Syria's alleged links with Ahmed Yibril's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, which is widely believed to have carried out the Lockerbie attack.

Syria has recently agreed to send more troops to the Gulf and the Iraqi news agency INA claimed Tuesday that Al Assad had offered U.S. warplanes the use of Syrian airspace.

But Al Assad's greatest use to Washington may lie in Damascus' support for the anti-Saddam opposition front drawn from the five main Kurdish rebel groups, leftists and Islamic fundamentalists and dissident members of Saddam's Baath party.

In a recent statement released in Damascus, the opposition front pledged to set up a government-in-exile and to "coordinate joint action to depose the dictator (Saddam)."

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#90255e0021 09/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

STRASBOURG, FRANCE (SEPT 12) EFE - Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti Wednesday called on Iraq to respect the United Nations Security Council decisions on the Gulf crisis in a bid to avoid war.

During a European Parliament meeting on the Gulf situation, Andreotti said it was Iraq's responsibility to heed Security Council resolutions and avoid "the tragic risk of a devastating war."

Among other Gulf resolutions, the Security Council has demanded Iraq's evacuation of Kuwait and the release of all foreign hostages by Iraqi authorities.

During the debate, Andreotti and European Commissioner Jacques Delors said they wanted the European Community to send a message of solidarity to all Arab countries so that new links can be forged between Europe and the Arab world.

Italy currently holds the six-month-long presidency of the EC.

Delors emphasized the importance of aiding countries badly hit by the U.N. trade embargo of Iraq and of giving help to the hordes of refugees which have swarmed into Jordan following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The EC last week decided to send dlrs 19 million to aid the worst-affected countries, most of which will go to Egypt, Jordan and Turkey, and pledged that a further dlrs 39 million would be added soon.

Delors said that if Iraq is defeated or persuaded to leave Kuwait, Western policy towards the Middle East must change so as to "achieve a greater development throughout the region."

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#90255e0030 09/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (SEPT 12) EFE - Angry residents of a working-class area of the

Spanish capital, whose homes have been threatened with expropriation by the city council, Wednesday declared their neighborhood an independent kingdom and said they would ask the United Nations to recognize it as a separate nation.

At a news conference, the "provisional government" of the "Kingdom of Belmonte" presented its 33-article constitution, its program of government flag, and coin.

The kingdom is made up of the areas of Cerro Belmonte, Villamil and Pena Chica on the northern outskirts of Madrid, where 60 families face compulsory purchase orders on their houses.

The homes are then to be demolished to make way for the building of a new housing complex.

The provisional government's spokeswoman Esther Castellanos said Wednesday that it would ask the United Nations Decolonization Committee for recognition of its statehood.

She said that the throne of Belmonte would be offered to Spain's King Juan Carlos, but added that the government would be willing to rejoin Spain "as soon as the expropriation order is annulled."

The fledgling nation's economy will be based on income earned from a casino, duty free shops and tourism.

Its currency, the belmonte, is to be worth between dlrs 30 and 50, the price the city council has offered residents per square meter for their homes.

The provisional government, whose mandate will run for a year until free elecions are held, is to set up eight ministries including ministries to encourage ecology, folklore and art.

The constitution is based on "justice, equality, political pluralism and happiness" and expressly forbids the compulsory purchase of any house.

Any other Madrid residents who feel aggrieved by the council will be offered political asylum if they explain their grouse and sing the new nation's anthem which makes a disparaging reference to Madrid Mayor Agustin Rodriguez Sahagun.

Rodriguez Sahagun and six other municipal officials have been declared "persona non grata" by the kingdom.

The city council has set a period of a year in which to hold dialogue with the residents as it says the houses they are to be moved to will not be

built for 12 months.

Twenty-four of the neighborhood's residents last month spent a 10-day visit in Cuba after they symbolically requested political asylum in the communist-ruled island.

The Cuban government paid the expenses of the trip for 12 of the group and partially funded the other 12.

The residents were treated to a meal with Cuban President Fidel Castro but only one has said he would take up Castro's offer to live in Cuba.

Their visit took place amid a diplomatic row between Spain and Cuba over Cuban asylum-seekers who had taken refuge in the Spanish embassy in Havana.

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#90255e0039 09/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

GUADALAJARA, MEXICO (SEPT 12) EFE - Unknown gunmen armed with sub-machineguns have shot dead three Mexican students bringing to eight the number of people killed in the Mexican city of Guadalajara over the last week, judicial state police said Wednesday.

A police spokesman said the three students were killed Tuesday outside university buildings by gunmen with AK-47 sub-machine guns.

Last week gunmen, also with AK-47s, shot dead in Guadalajara three other students, a wealthy farmer and his son.

Police believe the murders may be connected to drug-trafficking.

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#90255e0040 09/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT 12) EFE - Lithuania and Azerbaijan, both of which have declared their independence from the Soviet Union, Wednesday signed an agreement establishing direct links between the republics during the transition to a market economy without intervention from Moscow.

The economic accord also included a scientific-technical and cultural cooperation agreement, the official news agency TASS reported.

Lithuanian Vice Prime Minister Alguirdas Brazauskas said that the agreement had been welcomed by businesses in both republics.

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#90255e0043 09/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT 12) EFE - Iraqi Oil Minister Isam Abdar-Rahim ash-Shalabi met with ambassadors of Third World countries in Baghdad Wednesday to discuss Iraq's recent offer of free oil to developing countries, the Iraqi state news agency INA reported.

Without giving details on which ambassadors the minister met, INA, citing ash-Shalabi, said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's "generous offer" Monday would consolidate the policies the country held towards the Third World.

"The current crisis stems from the difficulty these (developing) countries have in obtaining oil together with the rise in crude prices," said ash-Shalabi.

The INA report, monitored in Nicosia, said Iraq was willing to satisfy the petroleum demands of developing countries regardless of their stance towards the United Nations-ordered trade embargo with Baghdad.

The U.N. imposed the sanctions following Iraq's August 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of its oil-rich neighbor Kuwait.

Meanwhile, the Amman daily Ad Dustour reported Jordanian Energy Minister Thabet Tahir has welcomed Saddam's offer and said the oil supply would help his country which he said "had been severly hit by the economic impact of the Gulf crisis."

Jordan, in a tug-of-war over its relations with both Baghdad and Washington, has been reluctant to strongly criticize Saddam while at the same time it has vowed to uphold the U.N. embargo.

Since Monday, the country's media has called on developing countries to take up Saddam's oil offer and has slammed the anti-Iraqi postures of United States, Britain and Saudi Arabia claiming the conflict was between rich and poor countries.

In contrast the Saudi press denounced the offer as "an hypocritical act of desperation."

"There is no doubt that Saddam Hussein does not want to help the Third World," wrote the Asharq al-Awsat.

Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer said the offer contradicted Iraq's traditional demand to up oil prices, which would be harmful to developing countries.

Saudi Arabia, one of the world's major oil producers, has emerged as Iraq's principal opponent in the region following its decision to allow U.S. forces onto its territory to deter any possible Iraqi aggression following the invasion of Kuwait.

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#90255e0053 09/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

GIBRALTAR (SEPT 12) EFE - A British Air Force lieutenant Wednesday crossed into Spain which he hopes to jog across in less than two weeks.

Lt. Geoff Russell, 41, is to begin the 1,000 km trek to the northern town of Villa de Bares on Friday from the southern Atlantic coastal town of Tarifa.

Russell said he had spent a year in training for the marathon run, adding that he would be the first to accomplish the feat.

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#90255f2147 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 12) UPI - Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and

Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	246.20	246.60	244.70	246.25	246.10
Dec	247.20	248.70	247.20	248.65	248.50
Mar	....	....	....	251.75	251.75
Jun	....	....	....	254.75	254.75

Previous day volume: 56 contracts.

Open interest: 1,340 off 3

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	322.00	322.60	319.50	322.15	321.75
Dec	326.00	326.20	323.00	325.70	325.40
Mar	328.50	329.00	326.00	328.60	328.40
Jun	329.00	333.40	329.00	332.40	332.20

Today's estimated volume: 62,510 contracts.

Open interest: 155,543 off 1,310

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	176.90	177.40	175.55	176.95	176.75
Dec	178.70	178.95	177.20	178.55	178.65
Mar	180.35	180.35	180.05	180.15	180.25

Open interest: 6,200 off 310

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	533.50	535.80	531.20	535.20	534.45

Oct 536.00 537.90 533.80 537.65 536.75
Estimated volume 3,013 contracts.
Open interest: 7,945 up 159

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#90255f2149 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austral	.000170	.000174	5880.00	5733.00
Australia dlr	.8197	.8170	1.2200	1.2240
Austria schill	.0894	.0894	11.18	11.18
Belgium franc-c	.0307	.0306	32.58	32.65
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0152	.0152	65.81	65.81
Britain pound	1.8610	1.8465	.5373	.5416
Britain 1-mo	1.8503	1.8356	.5405	.5448
Britain 3-mo	1.8308	1.8259	.5462	.5477
Britain 6-mo	1.8037	1.7897	.5544	.5588
Canada dollar	.8618	.8591	1.1603	1.1640
Canada 1-mo	.8584	.8559	1.1650	1.1683
Canada 3-mo	.8556	.8527	1.1688	1.1727
Canada 6-mo	.8462	.8430	1.1818	1.1862
Chile peso-f	.003303	.003303	302.75	302.75
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001929	.001931	518.33	517.83
Denmark krne	.1654	.1648	6.0450	6.0675
Ecudr sucre-z	.001154	.001154	866.25	866.25
Egypt pound	.3694	.3707	2.7072	2.6973
Finlnd mrkka	.2689	.2675	3.7190	3.7390
France franc	.1876	.1876	5.3295	5.3295
France 1-mo	.1874	.1873	5.3374	5.3380
France 3-mo	.1870	.1866	5.3463	5.3577
France 6-mo	.1856	.1853	5.3865	5.3958
Greece drach	.006463	.006447	154.72	155.12
Hollnd guildr	.5582	.5580	1.7915	1.7920
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1287	7.7693	7.7685
India rupee	.0566	.0566	17.68	17.68
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000539	1854.00	1854.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.6910	1.6860	0.5914	0.5931
Israel shekel	.4883	.5023	2.0480	1.9910

Italy lira	.000842	.000843	1187.50	1186.00
Japan yen	.007250	.007151	137.93	139.85
Japan 1-mo	.007261	.007152	137.73	139.82
Japan 3-mo	.007306	.007154	136.88	138.79
Japan 6-mo	.007439	.007168	134.43	139.50
Jordan dinar	1.5352	1.5375	.6514	.6504
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000347	2878.00	2878.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6218	.6185	1.6082	1.6168
Norway krne	.1634	.1631	6.1200	6.1325
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000003	413,700	403,850
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escud	.007161	.007171	139.64	139.46
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5652	.5659	1.7693	1.7672
S.Africa rand	.3889	.3891	2.5715	2.5703
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010035	.010025	99.65	99.75
Sweden krona	.1723	.1718	5.8025	5.8200
Switzrl franc	.7579	.7544	1.3195	1.3255
Switzrl 1-mo	.7579	.7545	1.3194	1.3254
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7574	.7543	1.3203	1.3258
Switzrl 6-mo	.7563	.7520	1.3223	1.3298
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.91	26.91
Turkey lira	.000371	.000373	2693.00	2683.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0208	.0208	48.02	48.02
W.Ger Mark	.6301	.6283	1.5870	1.5915
W.Ger 1-mo	.6300	.6283	1.5872	1.5917
W.Ger 3-mo	.6296	.6281	1.5884	1.5922
W.Ger 6-mo	.6283	.6264	1.5917	1.5963
Yugosl dinar	.0918	.0924	10.89	10.82

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90255f2151 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 451.88, up 0.40 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90255f2153 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.34	10.02
Anchor Fund Inv	14.64	15.53
Delaware Mutual	16.94	18.17
Fidelity Fund	16.70	16.70
Investors Mutual	10.94	11.52
Investors Stocks	18.29	19.25
Investors Select	8.26	8.70
IDS Equity Plus	9.02	9.49
Mass Inv Growth	8.34	8.99
Nicholas Fund	3.30	3.30
United Accumulated	6.36	6.95
United Income	17.11	18.70
Vanguard Wellington	16.11	16.11

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#90255h0003 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NEW DELHI (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - DESPITE THE PRESENT GULF CRISIS, INDIA HAS BEEN ABLE TO GET ITS FULL IMPORT QUOTA OF 1.7 MILLION TONS OF CRUDE PER MONTH FROM VARIOUS SOURCES TO KEEP ITS OIL REFINERIES FULLY OPERATIONAL, LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY.

ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL SOURCES, EGYPT HAS FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE LAST TWO OR THREE MONTHS SUPPLIED 710,000 TONS OF CRUDE, AND THE IMPORT PICTURE FOR THIS MONTH CONTINUED TO BE PROMISING WITH BAHRAIN AGREEING TO SUPPLY MORE THAN 200,000 TONS AND THE SOVIET UNION MAKING AVAILABLE OVER 3,500 TONS OF CRUDE.

THESE ARRANGEMENTS ARE IN ADDITION TO THE NORMAL CRUDE SHIPMENTS BEING MADE FROM IRAN, WHICH HAD LAST MONTH PROVIDED 1.4 MILLION TONS.

IN 1989-90, INDIA PRODUCED 34 MILLION TONS OF CRUDE OIL, AND IMPORTED 19.9 MILLION TONS FROM ABROAD, OUT OF WHICH ABOUT FORTY PERCENT CAME FROM KUWAIT AND IRAQ.

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#90255h0009 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
WELLINGTON (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - WOMEN IN NEW ZEALAND WILL TAKE PART IN THE ARMY'S REGULAR FORCE CADET SCHOOL FOR THE FIRST TIME FROM JULY NEXT YEAR, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY.

THE INCLUSION OF WOMEN IN REGULAR CADET TRAINING SHOWED THE ARMY'S COMMITMENT TO EQUAL EMPLOYMENT, SAID MAJOR GENERAL BRUCE MELDRUM, LOCAL PRESS REPORTED.

WOMEN'S ARMY CORPS WAS DISBANDED IN 1976. BUT SINCE THEN THE ARMY HAS BEEN INTEGRATING WOMEN INTO ALL BRANCHES OF THE SERVICE EXCEPT COMBAT TRADES AND THE REGULAR FORCE CADET SCHOOL, THE GENERAL SAID.

HE SAID THE ARMY INTENDED INTRODUCING WOMEN CADET IN 1990 BUT THIS WAS DELAYED BECAUSE RECRUITING WAS TEMPORARILY STOPPED DUE TO COST CUTTING.

BUDGET CUTS ALSO SHORTENED MILITARY TRAINING COURSE FROM 12 TO SIX MONTHS, HE SAID.

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#90255h0010 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - THE THAI PUBLIC HEALTH MINISTRY WILL RECRUIT 6,000 MORE DOCTORS AND HEALTH PERSONNEL NEXT YEAR TO PROVIDE BETTER MEDICAL SERVICES FOR RURAL COMMUNITY PEOPLE, ACCORDING TO A REPORT OF THE MINISTRY TODAY.

THE REPORT NOTED THAT THE MINISTRY WOULD ALSO ACQUIRE MORE MODERN MEDICAL EQUIPMENT FOR RURAL COMMUNITY HOSPITALS.

THE MINISTRY HOPES TO SPEED UP THE ISSUE OF NEW MEDICAL CARDS FOR LOW-INCOME EARNERS. THE OLD CARDS, ISSUED THREE YEARS AGO, HAVE BENEFITED ABOUT 8 MILLION LOW-INCOME EARNERS. THE NEW CARDS WILL ENTITLE ABOUT 12 MILLION HOLDERS TO MEDICAL CARE.

THE REPORT SAID THAT THE MINISTRY WILL ALSO SEEK 490 MILLION BAHT (19.6 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) TO PROVIDE FREE MEDICAL SERVICE FOR ELDERLY PEOPLE IN THE COUNTRY.

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#90255h0019 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WARSAW (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - THE NUMBER OF JOBLESS IN POLAND HAD SWOLLEN TO 820,000 BY THE END OF AUGUST, A FIGURE DOUBLING THE EARLIER OFFICIAL ESTIMATES AND PUSHING THE NEW ESTIMATES UP TO ONE OR 1.2 MILLION FOR THIS YEAR.

THE LATEST FIGURE OF THE JOBLESS, WHICH ACCOUNTED FOR ABOUT 4.5 PERCENT OF POLAND'S TOTAL WORK FORCE, WAS DISCLOSED BY LABOR AND SOCIAL POLICY MINISTER JACEK KURON IN A TELEVISED SPEECH TUESDAY EVENING.

KURON CALLED ON THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO SHARE THE BURDEN BY MAPPING OUT WHAT HE CALLED "LOCAL PROGRAMS" TO REDUCE THE DETERIORATING UNEMPLOYMENT

ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

THE GOVERNMENT, FOR FEAR OF CONFRONTING A RESULTING SOCIAL UNREST, HAS ALREADY PROVIDED THE UNEMPLOYED WITH A MONTHLY RELIEF FUND OF 350,000 ZLOTY (ABOUT 36 U.S. DOLLARS) PER PERSON.

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#90255h0025 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - THE MARKET DEVELOPMENT OF AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY IN INDONESIA IS VERY PROMISING THIS YEAR, LOOKING AT THE SALES RECORD DURING THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS, THE "INDONESIA TIMES" REPORTED TODAY.

AGUS SUSANTO, GENERAL MANAGER OF MARKETING OF PT MULTI-FRANCE MOTOR, WAS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT THE SALES OF BOTH COMMERCIAL AND PASSENGER CARS IN INDONESIA DURING THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS WAS 50 PERCENT MORE THAN THAT IN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

"THE FIGURE IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE CONTINUOUSLY TILL THE END OF THE YEAR " HE ADDED.

PT MULTI FRANCE MOTOR OF ASTRA GROUP WILL PRESENT ITS PEUGEOT 405 SR AS OF NEXT MONTH TO MEET THE DEMAND OF CAR CONSUMERS IN INDONESIA AND TO COMPLETE THE CURRENT PEUGEOT 405 SR ALREADY ON THE ROAD. THE COMPANY'S PLANT WILL PRODUCE 300 UNITS OF BOTH TYPES NEXT MONTH.

THE SALES OF PASSENGER CARS IN THE COUNTRY SHOWED A 75 PERCENT INCREASE BETWEEN JANUARY AND JULY THIS YEAR, SUSANTO SAID, ADDING THAT "PEUGEOT ITSELF MADE A 35 PERCENT SHARE OF THAT AMOUNT."

ACCORDING TO THE PLAN, PEUGEOT WILL PRODUCE 250 UNITS MONTHLY FOR INDONESIAN CONSUMERS.

DATA FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF THE INDONESIAN AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY NOTED THAT 177,698 UNITS OF CARS WERE PRODUCED LAST YEAR AND, DURING THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS THIS YEAR, 95,812 UNITS WERE SOLD.

IN THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS THIS YEAR, 143,943 UNITS WERE SOLD, REPRESENTING A 50-PERCENT INCREASE. THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF CARS TO BE SOLD THIS YEAR IS EXPECTED TO REACH 250,000 UNITS, THE PAPER SAID.

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DHAKA (SEPT. 12) XINHUA -- BANGLADESH WILL LOSE 5 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS BY NOT ALLOWING IRAQ TO IMPORT ITS TEA IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE TRADE EMBARGO IMPOSED BY THE UNTIED NATIONS, ACCORDING TO TEA EXPORTERS.

THE TOTAL QUANTITY OF IRAQI ORDER FOR BANGLADESHI TEA THIS YEAR WAS 3,000 TONS, FOR WHICH SALE AGREEMENT HAD ALREADY BEEN SIGNED AND A LETTER OF CREDIT OPENED.

IT IS LEARNED THAT BANGLADESH MAY REQUEST THE WORLD BODY TO REPLENISH THE LOSS IN ITS TEA EXPORT INCURRED DUE TO THE U.N SPONSORED EMBARGO.

MEANWHILE, THE GULF CRISIS HAS BEGUN TO TRIGGER A DOWNTREND IN THE PRICE OF TEA ON LOCAL MARKET. THE PRICE OF ONE KILOGRAM OF TEA AT THE TEA AUCTION HELD LAST WEEK IN THE PORT OF CHITTAGONG WAS BELOW 50 TAKA (ABOUT 1.42 U.S. DOLLARS). IT DROPPED BY AT LEAST TWO TAKA IN A WEEK.

BESIDES, THE GULF CRISIS HAS ALSO OFFSET THE POSSIBILITIES OF EXPORTING SUBSTANTIAL QUANTITY OF TEA TO SEVERAL NEW BUYERS IN THE REGION.

BANGLADESH HAD A BUMPER HARVEST OF 46,000 TONS OF TEA THIS YEAR. TEA IS ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S MAJOR EXPORT ITEMS.

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HANGZHOU (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - ZHEJIANG CORPORATION OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION SENT 398 TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL WORKERS IN THE PERIOD OF JANUARY TO JULY THIS YEAR, EARNING 820,000 U.S.DOLLARS OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

THIS IS AN INCREASE OF TWO HUNDRED PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

ESTABLISHED IN 1984, THE CORPORATION PROVIDES PERSONNEL ENGAGED IN ARTS AND CRAFTS, SPORTS, MACHINERY, ELECTRONICS, PLANTING, METHANE-GENERATING AND MEDICAL TREATMENT SINCE 1986.

IN 1988, THE CORPORATION SENT ITS FIRST GROUP OF TEN MEDICAL WORKERS TO FIJI IN PACIFIC OCEAN TO HELP MEDICAL TREATMENT THERE. SECOND GROUP HAS ALSO BEEN ASSIGNED THERE THIS YEAR.

IN 1988, THE CORPORATION ALSO SENT A GROUP OF METHANE-FERMENT EXPERTS TO MOROCCO IN NORTH AFRICA AND HELPED SET UP 13 METHANE-FERMENT PITS IN THAT COUNTRY.

COOPERATED WITH YUHUAN, WENLING AND TONGTOU AND ZHOUSHAN FOUR FISHING CENTERS, THE CORPORATION HAS ASSIGNED 906 WORKERS ABROAD SINCE LAST OCTOBER, EARNING 580,000 U.S. DOLLARS OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

IN APRIL THIS YEAR, THE CORPORATION ALSO SENT 18 WORKERS TO SERVICE IN A LARGE HOTEL SET UP BY OVERSEAS CHINESE IN YUGOSLAVIA FOR ONE YEAR. THIS IS THE FIRST NON-GOVERNMENTAL LABOR EXPORTATION THE CORPORATION CONDUCTED

WITH OTHER COUNTRIES.

THIS YEAR, THE CORPORATION HAS SENT EIGHT GROUPS OF PERSONNEL TO JAPAN, AUSTRIA, CAMEROON, AND HONG KONG TO WORK IN FIELDS OF MECHANIC PROCESSING, INDOOR DECORATION, BUILDING MATERIALS AND MEDICAL TREATMENT.

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#90255h0071 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - THE NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT IS MOVING TO LIBERALIZE AIR SERVICES BETWEEN NEW ZEALAND AND FIJI WHICH WILL HAVE FLOW-ON BENEFITS FOR LINKS TO OTHER PARTS OF THE PACIFIC AND ASIA.

ACCORDING TO NEW ZEALAND TRANSPORT MINISTER BILL JEFFRIES, THIS IS AMONG LIKELY RESULTS FROM THE LATEST AVIATION TALKS BETWEEN OFFICIALS OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS.

IN A STATEMENT TODAY, THE MINISTER SAID, "THE BENEFITS ARE GREATER OPPORTUNITIES FOR AIR LINKS BETWEEN THE PACIFIC AND ASIA INCLUDING SOUTH KOREA."

UNDER THE ARRANGEMENTS REACHED DURING THE TALKS, AIR NEW ZEALAND AND AIR PACIFIC WILL EACH BE ABLE TO OPERATE AS MANY SERVICES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AS THEY CONSIDER COMMERCIALLY APPROPRIATE.

AIR PACIFIC, AS WELL AS ITS CURRENT SERVICES TO AUCKLAND, NORTH ISLAND, WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE WELLINGTON AND CHRISTCHURCH IN SOUTH ISLAND. FLIGHTS TO EITHER ONE OF THESE CITIES WILL BE IN ALLIANCE WITH AIR NEW ZEALAND.

THE ARRANGEMENTS WILL ALSO ALLOW AIR NEW ZEALAND TO GAIN ACCESS BEYOND FIJI, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH AIR PACIFIC, TO THE FAST GROWING TOURISM SOURCE AND TRADE CENTER OF SEOUL ONCE A BILATERAL AGREEMENT IS CONCLUDED WITH SOUTH KOREA, JEFFRIES SAID.

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#90255h0077 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - CHINA WILL SPEED UP THE DEVELOPMENT OF CIVIL AIRCRAFT IN THE COMING EIGHTH FIVE-YEAR-PLAN PERIOD (1991-1995), AS A MAJOR GOVERNMENT ENDEAVOR TO MEET THE NEEDS OF ITS RAPIDLY GROWING CIVIL AVIATION SERVICES, THE AERONAUTICS INDUSTRY MINISTRY ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY.

FIRST PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO THE MANUFACTURE OF AIRLINERS FOR MAJOR DOMESTIC AND OVERSEAS ROUTES, SAID WANG ANG, THE MINISTRY'S CHIEF ENGINEER AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY.

ACCORDING TO WANG, CHINA WILL DEVELOP THE 150180-SEAT AIRCRAFT THROUGH

INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION.

HE DISCLOSED THAT NEGOTIATIONS TO THIS EFFECT ARE WELL UNDERWAY BETWEEN THE CHINESE AVIATION INDUSTRY AND MAJOR WESTERN AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURERS.

MEANWHILE, THE CHIEF ENGINEER SAID, CHINA WILL DEVELOP A NEW GENERATION OF LIGHT AIRCRAFT, AND UPDATE EXISTING PLANES, INCLUDING THE YUN-7 AND YUN-8 TRANSPORTERS. THE YUN-8 PRESSURIZED AIRCRAFT, AND THE YUN-7-200A AND YUN-7-200 PLANES ARE EXPECTED TO BE PUT INTO SERVICE IN THE EARLY 1990S.

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#90255h0083 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LUSAKA (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - THE PREFERENTIAL TRADE AREA FOR EAST AND SOUTHERN AFRICA (PTA) HAS DECIDED TO SET UP ITS FIRST TRIPLE SUPERPHOSPHATE FERTILIZER PLANT IN TORORO, UGANDA, THE ZAMBIAN NEWSPAPER "DAILY MAIL" REPORTED TODAY.

THE DECISION WAS MADE AT A MEETING IN KAMPALA, UGANDA, ON SEPTEMBER 3-4 BY PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS FROM KENYA, TANZANIA, UGANDA, SUDAN AND THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (ADB).

A COMPANY IS TO BE FORMED BEFORE THE END OF THIS YEAR TO IMPLEMENT THE PROJECT WHICH WAS ESTIMATED TO COST 127.3 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS. THE CONSTRUCTION WILL BEGIN BY SEPTEMBER NEXT YEAR.

THE ANNUAL CONSUMPTION OF FERTILIZERS IN THE PTA SUB-REGION IS ESTIMATED AT 1.3 MILLION TONS. AFTER THE PLANT IS PUT INTO OPERATION, THE AMOUNT IS PROJECTED TO RAISE TO 1.8 MILLION TONS BY 1995 AND TO 2.5 MILLION BY THE YEAR OF 2000.

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#90255h0097 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

URUMQI (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - THE CHINESE AND SOVIET RAILWAY SYSTEMS WERE JOINED UP ON THE SINO-SOVIET BORDER IN CHINA'S XINJIANG UYGUR AUTONOMOUS REGION TODAY, FORMING THE SECOND EURASIAN RAIL BRIDGE.

A CEREMONY WAS HELD, WITH CHINESE VICE-MINISTER OF RAILWAYS SUN YONGFU TIGHTENING THE LAST BOLT OF THE CHINESE SECTION'S LAST SPAN OF TRACK AND EXCHANGING SPANNERS WITH HIS SOVIET COUNTERPARTS. THE 10,800 KM NEW RAILWAY ROUTE WILL CONNECT THE PORT OF LIANYUNGANG ON CHINA'S EAST COAST WITH THE PORT OF ROTTERDAM IN THE NETHERLANDS, AND IS EXPECTED TO GO INTO OPERATION IN 1992.

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#90255h0104 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHIJIAZHUANG (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - CARVINGS FROM QUYANG COUNTY, NORTH CHINA'S HEBEI PROVINCE, HAVE BEEN EXPORTED TO MORE THAN 70 COUNTRIES AND REGIONS IN EUROPE, AMERICA AND SOUTHEAST ASIA.

THE COUNTY EARNED FIVE MILLION U.S. DOLLARS LAST YEAR FROM EXPORT OF THE CARVINGS, HEAD OF THE COUNTY LI XIAOTIE SAID AT A STONE AND WOOD CARVING FAIR, WHICH ENDED TODAY.

THE COUNTY'S CARVINGS ARE ALSO POPULAR IN TAIWAN, HONG KONG AND MACAO. LOCAL CRAFTSMEN WORKED FOR THE MONUMENT TO THE PEOPLE'S HEROES AND MAO ZEDONG MEMORIAL HALL AND OTHER WELL-KNOWN CHINESE BUILDINGS. THEIR CARVINGS HAVE ALSO BEEN USED TO DECORATE PUBLIC BUILDINGS IN ZAIRE, JAPAN, HONG KONG AND TAIWAN. SOME WORKS HAVE BEEN COLLECTED BY THE STATE AS NATIONAL TREASURES.

THE COUNTY'S STONE CARVING HAS A HISTORY OF 1,900 YEARS. NOW THERE ARE 10 LARGER FACTORIES AND 1,000 WORKSHOPS DEVOTED TO STONE AND WOOD CARVING IN THE COUNTY.

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#90255h0108 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHENYANG (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - THE NORTHEAST CHINA PHARMACY GROUP COMPANY, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN CHINA, WAS FOUNDED TODAY IN SHENYANG, CAPITAL OF NORTHEAST CHINA'S LIAONING PROVINCE.

THE GROUP COMPRISES EIGHT LARGE PHARMACEUTICAL FACTORIES, WHICH INTEND TO TAKE UNIFIED ACTION IN MANAGEMENT, PLANNING AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

ZHAO FENG, GENERAL DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY, SAID THAT IT WILL SET UP A BASE FOR THE PRODUCTION OF PENICILLIN AND DEVELOP MORE THAN 10 KINDS OF NEW PRODUCTS IN THE COMING FIVE YEARS.

ZHAO ALSO PREDICTED THAT THE COMPANY WILL MAKE 100 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS EACH YEAR IN FOREIGN CURRENCY FROM EXPORTS IN THE SAME PERIOD.

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#90255h0109 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHENZHEN (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - SHENZHEN HAS HAD AMPLE POWER SINCE JULY THIS YEAR.

THE SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE IN SOUTH CHINA'S GUANGDONG PROVINCE HAS BEEN ABLE TO MAKE ITS SUPPLY OF ELECTRIC POWER CATCH UP WITH ITS RAPID ECONOMIC GROWTH BY COLLECTING FUNDS AND SETTING UP MORE POWER PLANTS.

ACCORDING TO LOCAL OFFICIALS, THE SHENZHEN MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT HAS DRAWN UP A LONG-TERM PROGRAM TO DEVELOP THE POWER INDUSTRY SO THAT IT CAN MEET

THE NEEDS OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT HERE.

NOW THE DAILY ELECTRICITY SUPPLY IN SHENZHEN HAS REACHED 10.73 MILLION KWH WHICH IS 1.5 TIMES THAT IN THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

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#90255h0114 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - THE BEIJING ZOO HAS SUCCEEDED IN ARTIFICIALLY INCUBATING AN IBIS, A NEARLY EXTINCT SPECIES LISTED FOR TOP-PRIORITY PROTECTION BY THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT.

TODAY THE ZOO DIRECTOR LI YANGWEN SAID THE IBIS HATCHED JUNE 10 THIS YEAR AND ITS WEIGHT HAS NEARLY REACHED THAT OF AN ADULT IBIS AFTER CAREFUL BREEDING.

IBISES WERE ONCE DISTRIBUTED IN THE SOVIET UNION, JAPAN, KOREA AND CHINA. BUT SINCE THE 1960S THEY HAVE DISAPPEARED FROM THE SOVIET UNION AND KOREA, AND ONLY TWO ARE KNOWN TO BE ALIVE IN JAPAN.

LI SAID THAT IT WAS THOUGHT UNTIL RECENTLY THAT THE BREED WAS ALSO EXTINCT IN CHINA, BUT A STUDY GROUP FROM THE INSTITUTE OF ANIMALS OF THE CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES FOUND SEVEN IBISES IN SHAANXI PROVINCE IN 1981.

AS A RESULT OF CAREFUL REARING OF THE RARE BIRDS, CHINA NOW HAS 40 IBISES.

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#90255h0121 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - HONG KONG'S TRADE IN JULY THIS YEAR TOTALLED 111,083 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (14,241 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), A 10 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF 1989, ACCORDING TO THE GOVERNMENT STATISTICS RELEASED HERE TODAY.

OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF COMPARISON, ITS DOMESTIC EXPORTS DECREASED BY THREE PERCENT TO 20,409 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (2,616 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) AND ITS RE-EXPORTS UP BY 15 PERCENT TO 36,194 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (4,640 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

HONG KONG'S TOTAL EXPORTS CAME TO 56,603 MILLION H.K. DOLLORS (7,256 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), EIGHT PERCENT UP, WHILE ITS IMPORT REACHED 54,479 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (6,984 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), A 12 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF 1989.

IN THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, HONG KONG'S MERCHANDISE TRADE TOTALLED 686,550 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (88,019 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), SEVEN PERCENT UP COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD 1989.

ITS TOTAL EXPORTS VALUED AT 340,238 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (43,620 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), AND ITS IMPORTS AT 346,312 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (44,398 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), WHICH REPRESENTED EIGHT PERCENT AND SIX PERCENT MORE THAN THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR RESPECTIVELY.

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#90255h0126 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - INDIA'S TEXTILE EXPORTS DURING THE THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS (APRIL-JULY) OF THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR INCREASED BY 37 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

THE MAXIMUM INCREASE IN THIS SECTOR HAS BEEN ACCOUNTED FOR BY COTTON YARN, READYMADE GARMENTS, COTTON FABRICS AND MADE-UPS AND, ON A COMPARATIVELY SMALL SCALE, WOOL AND WOOLLENS.

ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL SOURCES, THE ONLY FALL THAT HAS BEEN NOTICED IS IN JUTE, WHERE PROVISIONAL EXPORTS IN THE FOUR MONTHS WERE PLACED AT 690 MILLION RUPEES (40 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), AGAINST 820 MILLION RUPEES (48.2 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

THE PRODUCTS WHICH SHOW A VERY POSITIVE TREND ARE READYMADE GARMENTS AND TEXTILES, THE SOURCES SAID.

IN THE CASE OF READYMADE GARMENTS, AGAINST A TARGET OF 39 BILLION RUPEES (2.3 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FOR THE YEAR, EXPORTS DURING APRIL-JULY HAVE GONE UP TO 14.18 BILLION RUPEES, SHOWING AN INCREASE OF 56 PERCENT OVER THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

IN THE CASE OF COTTON FABRICS AND MADE-UPS, THE EXPORTS HAVE INCREASED BY 41.6 PERCENT TO 4.37 BILLION RUPEES (257 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

BUT INDIAN PRESS HELD IT IS TOO EARLY TO SAY WHETHER THE TARGET OF 88.2 BILLION RUPEES (5.18 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FOR THE CURRENT YEAR WILL BE ACHIEVED, BECAUSE ALL DEPENDS ON THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC SCENARIO, ESPECIALLY AFTER THE GULF CRISIS.

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#90255h0136 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - A 10-POINT CODE OF CONDUCT WAS ISSUED HERE YESTERDAY FOR ALL RANKS OF THE NIGERIAN POLICE FORCE TO RAISE ITS EFFICIENCY AND PUBLIC IMAGE.

SPEAKING AT THE LAUNCHING CEREMONY, INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF THE POLICE ALIYU ATTA SAID THAT THE CODE OF CONDUCT WILL BE DISPLAYED AT ALL POLICE STATIONS AS GUIDELINES IN DAILY PERFOR- MANCE FOR THE POLICE.

THE 10-POINT CODE DEMANDS THAT A POLICEMAN CONSIDER HIMSELF AS A SERVANT INSTEAD OF A MASTER OF THE PUBLIC.

THE CODE OF CONDUCT ALSO REQUIRES THE POLICEMEN TO RESPECT THE DIGNITY OF INDIVIDUALS THEY CONTACT, BOTH AT AND OUTSIDE THE POLICE STATIONS AND BOTH WHEN ON AND OFF DUTY.

A POLICEMAN IS NOT ALLOWED TO "KNOWINGLY OR RECKLESSLY USE FIREARMS IN A MANNER THAT WILL ATTRACT NEGATIVE PUBLICITY TO THE FORCE AND HE MUST NOT ENGAGE IN CORRUPT PRACTICES".

MEANWHILE, AN ASSISTANT INSPECTOR-GENERAL TOLD JOURNALISTS THAT THE POLICE ARE DETERMINED TO ENSURE THAT BAIL FOR SUSPECTS IS FREE.

HE CALLED ON THE PUBLIC TO STOP OFFERING BRIBES TO POLICEMEN SO AS TO MINIMIZE CORRUPTION AMONG THE POLICE IN THE COUNTRY.

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#90255h0140 09/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINE FAMILY PLANNING ACCEPTORS REACHED 303,175 IN THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS OF THIS YEAR UNDER THE NEW FOUR-YEAR NATIONAL FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM, THE PHILIPPINE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY.

THE NATIONAL FAMILY PLANNING EFFORTS HAVE SO FAR REGISTERED A TOTAL OF 1,226,662 ACCEPTORS NATIONWIDE, HEALTH UNDERSECRETARY MARIO TAGUIWALO TOLD THE PRESS.

ACCORDING TO TAGUIWALO, THE FOUR-YEAR NATIONAL FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM IS AIMED TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF FAMILY PLANNING ACCEPTORS ANNUALLY FROM 1.4 MILLION IN 1990 TO 2.2 MILLION IN 1994, TO INCREASE THE PROPORTION OF WOMEN OF REPRODUCTIVE AGE PRACTICING FAMILY PLANNING FROM 35.9 PERCENT IN 1989 TO 53.4 PERCENT IN 1994, TO LOWER THE DROP-OUT RATE AMONG ACCEPTORS OF FAMILY PLANNING FROM 50 PERCENT THIS YEAR TO 37.5 PERCENT BY 1994, AND TO PROVIDE CONTINUING SERVICE TO 36 PERCENT OF MARRIED COUPLES OF REPRODUCTIVE AGES WHO AVAIL THEMSELVES OF FAMILY PLANNING METHODS.

AS OF MAY 1, THIS YEAR, THE PHILIPPINE POPULATION IS ABOUT 60.5 MILLION WHICH MAKES THE COUNTRY ONE OF THE FAST GROWING NATIONS IN ASIA WITH A 2.3 PERCENT ANNUAL GROWTH RATE, ACCORDING TO A REPORT ON THIS YEAR'S CENSUS OF POPULATION AND HOUSING, ISSUED LAST MONTH.

PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO SAID EARLIER THAT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD PROMOTE INFORMATION AND EDUCATION CAMPAIGN ON THE FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM.

THE COUNTRY'S INFLUENTIAL CATHOLIC CHURCH, HOWEVER, IS AGAINST

CONTROVERSIAL FORMS OF CONTRACEPTION SUCH AS STERILIZATION.

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OTTAWA (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - HOUSING STARTS ACROSS CANADA FELL IN AUGUST TO THE LOWEST LEVEL IN FOUR AND A HALF YEARS AS A RESULT OF HIGH INTEREST RATES, CANADA MORTGAGE AND HOUSING CORPORATION REPORTED TUESDAY.

TOTAL HOUSING STARTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY SLIPPED IN AUGUST TO 163,000 UNITS ON A SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL BASIS -- THE LOWEST LEVEL SINCE THE BEGINNING OF 1986. THE FIGURE ALSO MEANT A DECLINE OF 7 PERCENT FROM JULY AND A 24.8 PERCENT DROP FROM A YEAR EARLIER.

THE CORPORATION'S CHIEF ECONOMIST MARK BURCHINSHAW ATTRIBUTED AUGUST'S PERFORMANCE TO HIGH MORTGAGE RATES IN THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS OF 1990 AND A DETERIORATION IN CONSUMER CONFIDENCE.

IN ITS EFFORT TO FIGHT INFLATION, THE BANK OF CANADA HAS BEEN PURSUING A HIGH INTEREST RATE POLICY, WHICH HAS BEEN LARGELY BLAMED FOR SLOWING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CANADIAN ECONOMY. THE CENTRAL BANK'S TREND-SETTING INTEREST RATE IS NOW 12.82 PERCENT.

THE MORTGAGE AND HOUSING CORPORATION WARNS THE SLUMP WILL DEEPEN IN THE MONTHS TO COME AS LONG AS INTEREST RATES REMAIN HIGH. MEANWHILE, HOME-BUILDING INDUSTRY LEADERS SAID THE DOWNTURN HAS ALREADY LED TO THOUSANDS OF LAYOFFS ACROSS CANADA.

THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IS CANADA'S LARGEST BUSINESS. ROUGHLY 7 PERCENT OF THE PEOPLE EMPLOYED IN THE COUNTRY ARE DIRECTLY ENGAGED IN CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY. BESIDES, AN EVEN GREATER NUMBER ARE ENGAGED IN PRODUCING, TRANSPORTING AND MERCHANDISING CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT.

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Frontline Special September 11, 1990 (Transcript #3)

The Arming of Iraq: United States troops are facing an Iraqi military force largely equipped with Western-made weapons, including those very recently sold to Iraq by American companies. Despite a putative arms embargo, Western governments have been tacitly encouraging extensive sales of sophisticated weapons to Saddam Hussein for the last 10 years.

ABC News Special September 11, 1990 (Transcript #16)

A Line in the Sand: Peter Jennings hosts an in-depth look at the Persian Gulf crisis, including segments detailing: the geography of the Middle East and Saddam Hussein's accumulation of political and military power; the U.S. aid given to Hussein while he was considered a moderating force with Iran, which continued after his threatening stance became apparent; Hussein's financial motives for invading Kuwait; a chronology of the year before the invasion; and the preparedness of U.S. troops stationed in the Arabian desert.

Nightline (ABC) September 11, 1990 (Transcript #2427)

Bush Addresses Congress on Iraq, Helsinki: Iraqi Ambassador Mohamed al-Mashat, Senator Alan Simpson and former hostage Debbie Hadi discuss the President's address to Congress chiding the Ambassador and Saddam Hussein for lying, Iraqi atrocities in occupied Kuwait, and whether the U.S. will should intervene on land or by air and naval force only.

Crossfire (CNN) September 11, 1990 (Transcript #137)

The New World Order: Democratic Senator Howard Metzenbaum of the Intelligence Committee and Minority Whip Senator Alan Simpson discuss the ''new world order'' in which the U.S. is allied with the Soviet Union.

Inside Corporate America (FNN) September 11, 1990 (Transcript #62)

Energies Industry Overview: A look at what top energy industry management has to say about the Persian Gulf crisis, the oil and natural gas pricing structures, the environment, and U.S. energy consumption versus its supply.

Moneyline (CNN) September 11, 1990 (Transcript #181)

General Accounting Office says 35 major U.S. banks are likely to fail this year; rumors of widening effort to break U.N. sanctions against Iraq; Charles Bowsher (General Accounting Office) says the United States bank insurance fund is facing as much danger now as when it was created during the Great Depression; New Jersey Governor Florio's tax on trucks backfires; concern over investors moving out of stocks and bonds into money market mutual funds; Nikkei drops; possible breakthrough in budget reduction talks.

Adam Smith's Money World September 11, 1990 (Transcript #629)

Main Street Versus Wall Street: A report on takeover battles and the new Pennsylvania anti-takeover bill -- supporters say companies will no longer be at the mercy of Wall Street, critics say that management will be responsible to no one.

Good Morning America (ABC) September 11, 1990 (Transcript #1107)

Congress and the Gulf crisis; Americans back from Kuwait; crime in New York; Shirley MacLaine interview; Joan gets bugged; Jett Williams interview; Kitty Dukakis interview (Part 2); marital savings plan; Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio interview.

Nova (WGBH) September 11, 1990 (Transcript #1707)

The Genius That Was China (Part 2): Empires in Collision: Second in a four-part series on Chinese technological innovations and the repeated efforts by western religious, commercial and political entities to crack China's one-way trade wall. This policy takes its toll, however, as the Industrial Revolution gives rise to British imperialism and colonialism.

Oprah Winfrey Show September 11, 1990 (Transcript #1042)

Kitty Dukakis: The First Lady of Massachusetts talks about her life, her years of alcoholism and addiction to diet pills and her daily struggle to remain sober.

Donahue September 11, 1990 (Transcript #3031)

Killed by a Police Car Chase: Under what circumstances should police go all out to pursue fleeing cars? Is it worth the hazard to public safety to engage in high-speed chases of minor offenders? Law enforcement officials debate the question with relatives of victims of fatal automobile crashes connected to police officers' hot pursuits.

Geraldo September 11, 1990 (Transcript #779)

Church Sex Scandal (Part 1): The Failure of Celibacy?: Two women who were seduced by priests and two married priests discuss the legitimacy of celibacy as a requirement for Catholic priests.

Sally Jessy Raphael September 11, 1990 (Transcript #527)

Missing Parents: Adults whose parents disappeared when they were younger tell their stories. One woman's relatives know where her father is, but won't tell her; another's mother went on a trip and never returned; and another is searching for her biological father.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) September 11, 1990 (Transcript #167)

Crime Solutions: Brooklyn Assemblyman Roger Green (D), Bronx District Attorney Robert Johnson and political strategist David Garth discuss a few of the many plans put forth to solve New York City's crime problem.

Wednesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report)
Donahue: Soap Stars: Behind-the-Scenes Secrets Sally Jessy Raphael: Families Apart... and in Conflict Geraldo: Church Sex Scandal (Part 2) Oprah Winfrey: Marital Counseling Follow-Up

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TOKYO (SEPT. 12) KYODO - JAPAN DECIDED ON WEDNESDAY TO EXTEND UP TO 676 MILLION YEN IN GRANTS TO DJIBOUTI TO HELP FINANCE ITS PROJECTS TO DEVELOP STOCK-FARMING AND EXPAND ITS BROADCASTING SYSTEM AND ALSO PROVIDE 150 MILLION YEN IN FOOD AID, JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SAID.

THE GRANT AID COMPRISES 55 MILLION YEN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF STOCK-FARMING IN THE NORTHWEST REGION AND 621 MILLION YEN FOR A PROJECT TO EXPAND A TV BROADCASTING CENTER. THE 150 MILLION YEN FOOD AID WILL BE USED TO PROVIDE THAI RICE, IN LINE WITH THE 1986 FOOD AID CONVENTION.

THE TWO COUNTRIES EXCHANGED DIPLOMATIC NOTES ON THE AID PROGRAM THE SAME DAY. DJIBOUTI PRESIDENT HASSAN GOULED APTIDON IS CURRENTLY VISITING JAPAN.

THE FOOD AID IS EXPECTED TO ALLEVIATE THE AFRICAN COUNTRY'S FOOD SHORTAGE CAUSED BY FLOODING EARLIER THIS YEAR, AND THE INFLUX OF REFUGEES FROM SOMALIA AND OTHER NATIONS.

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VANCOUVER, CANADA (SEPT. 12) KYODO - JAPAN IS HOPING FOR A LAST-MINUTE

SOLUTION BY SATURDAY TO A DISPUTE WITH THE UNITED STATES OVER AMORPHOUS METALS, INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY MINISTER KABUN MUTO SAID HERE TUESDAY.

HE SAID JAPAN WILL RESPOND POSITIVELY TO THE ISSUE OF TESTING AMORPHOUS METALS MADE BY ALLIED-SIGNAL INC., AN AMERICAN COMPANY, TO SMOOTH THEIR ENTRY INTO THE JAPANESE MARKET.

''BUT THERE IS NO ROOM FOR COMPROMISE ON A SPECIAL EXTENSION OF THE PATENT'' FOR ALLIED-SIGNAL, MUTO SAID.

HE SAID HE WILL EXPLAIN THE JAPANESE STAND TO U.S. TRADE REPRESENTATIVE CARLA HILLS IF SHE RAISES THE MATTER DURING A BREAKFAST MEETING WITH HIM ON WEDNESDAY.

''WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO RESOLVE THE ISSUE,'' MUTO SAID. HILLS HAS UNTIL SATURDAY TO DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT SHE WILL ACCEPT THE RE-FILING OF AN UNFAIR TRADING PETITION BY ALLIED-SIGNAL UNDER THE SECTION 301 OF THE 1988 U.S. TRADE ACT.

U.S. OFFICIALS SAY SHE WILL ACCEPT THE PETITION TO LAUNCH A SEVEN-MONTH INVESTIGATION INTO ALLIED-SIGNAL'S ALLEGATIONS THAT JAPAN HAS DENIED THE COMPANY FAIR ACCESS TO ITS MARKET FOR AMORPHOUS METALS, USED FOR A NEW GENERATION OF ELECTRICAL TRANSFORMERS.

MUTO AND HILLS ARE HERE TO ATTEND A THREE-DAY MEETING OF TRADE MINISTERS FROM 12 ASIAN-PACIFIC NATIONS.

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HIROSHIMA (SEPT. 12) KYODO - A SOVIET TAXI DRIVER EXPOSED TO RADIATION IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE 1986 CHERNOBYL NUCLEAR DISASTER WILL RECEIVE A CHECKUP IN OCTOBER AT HIROSHIMA UNIVERSITY, OFFICIALS SAID WEDNESDAY.

ANDRIES ILLAK, 29, FROM ESTONIA, WILL CHECK IN TO THE UNIVERSITY'S RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR NUCLEAR MEDICINE AND BIOLOGY FROM OCTOBER 16-18 FOR AN EXAMINATION INCLUDING TESTS ON HIS THYROID GLAND.

HE WILL BE THE FIRST CHERNOBYL VICTIM TO RECEIVE A CHECKUP IN JAPAN. ILLAK WAS EXPOSED TO RADIOACTIVITY DURING THE FOUR MONTHS HE SPENT ON A CHERNOBYL CLEANUP CREW. HE JOINED THE CLEANUP EFFORT IN JUNE 1986, TWO MONTHS AFTER THE NUCLEAR DISASTER.

HE WAS FOUND TO HAVE A DAMAGED THYRATTEND THE MEETING OF A CIVIC GROUP IN KAWASAKI, KANAGAWA PREFECTURE, NEAR TOKYO, ON OCTOBER 13 AND 14.

THE MEETING WILL ALSO BE ATTENDED BY A SOVIET DOCTOR, PEETER MARDONA, 53,

WHO IS STUDYING BETTER WAYS OF TREATING VICTIMS OF THE CHERNOBYL DISASTER.

ILLAK AND MARDONA WILL RETURN HOME ON OCTOBER 21.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) KYODO - MOTOROLA INC. CHAIRMAN GEORGE FISHER SAID TUESDAY THE U.S. COMPANY WILL STRENGTHEN ITS BUSINESS TIES WITH TOSHIBA CORP. OF JAPAN IN THE FUTURE.

BOTH COMPANIES ARE CURRENTLY PLANNING TO JOINTLY MANUFACTURE MICROPROCESSORS AND DYNAMIC RANDOM ACCESS MEMORY (DRAM) CHIPS DENSER THAN ONE MEGABIT IN JAPAN, FISHER INDICATED IN AN INTERVIEW WITH KYODO NEWS SERVICE.

MOTOROLA AND TOSHIBA SET UP A JOINT VENTURE IN 1989 TO MANUFACTURE ONE-MEGABIT DRAMS.

A MICROPROCESSOR IS THE BRAIN OF A COMPUTER. A DRAM IS AN INTEGRATED CIRCUIT USED TO STORE INFORMATION USED IN COMPUTERS, OFFICE EQUIPMENT AND HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES.

REFERRING TO JAPAN'S TELEPHONE MARKET, FISHER SAID A JAPANESE FIRM, NIPPON IDOU TSUSHIN CORP. (IDO), WILL START CELLULAR PHONE SERVICE USING MOTOROLA'S ANALOG PORTABLE TELEPHONE THROUGHOUT JAPAN. IDO HAS BEEN OPERATING CELLULAR PHONE SERVICES SINCE OCTOBER 1988 UNDER THE NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. (NTT) SYSTEM.

ORIGINALLY, MOTOROLA'S PORTABLE TELEPHONE WAS RELEGATED TO BE USED ONLY IN THE KANSAI DISTRICT AND WESTERN JAPAN. HOWEVER, UNDER A 1989 ACCORD BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN, IDO HAS HAD TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE SYSTEM TO ENABLE MOTOROLA'S PHONE TO BE USED.

FISHER VOICED HOPE THAT MOTOROLA'S SYSTEM WILL BE USED IN A BURGEONING DIGITAL PORTABLE PHONE SERVICE AS WELL.

HE EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THE SHARE OF FOREIGN MICROCHIPS IN THE JAPANESE SEMICONDUCTOR MARKET IS STILL BELOW THE TARGET ALLEGEDLY SET UNDER THE 1986 U.S.-JAPAN SEMICONDUCTOR AGREEMENT, WHICH EXPIRES NEXT AUGUST. THE BILATERAL AGREEMENT SHOULD BE EXTENDED, HE SAID.

THE U.S. SAYS THAT UNDER THE AGREEMENT, THE FOREIGN SHARE OF SEMICONDUCTORS IN THE JAPANESE MARKET IS TO INCREASE TO 20 PERCENT BY NEXT YEAR.

JAPANESE OFFICIALS HAVE ARGUED THAT THEY DID NOT GUARANTEE FOREIGN MANUFACTURERS A 20 PERCENT MARKET SHARE IN THE AGREEMENT BY 1991. U.S.

OFFICIALS HAVE SAID THAT JAPAN PROMISED FOREIGN SEMICONDUCTOR MAKERS 20 PERCENT OF THE JAPANESE MARKET IN A SPECIAL SIDE LETTER TO THE AGREEMENT.

FOREIGN SEMICONDUCTORS, DURING THE APRIL-JUNE PERIOD, INCREASED THEIR MARKET SHARE TO 13.3 PERCENT, 0.3 PERCENTAGE POINT UP FROM THE PREVIOUS QUARTER, ACCORDING TO WORLD SEMICONDUCTOR TRADE STATISTICS DATA.

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SEOUL (SEPT. 12) KYODO - NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA AGREED TO HOLD WORKING-LEVEL TALKS ON UNITED NATIONS MEMBERSHIP IN THE TRUCE VILLAGE OF PANMUNJOM ON THURSDAY, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE SOUTH KOREAN NATIONAL UNIFICATION BOARD SAID WEDNESDAY.

SOUTH KOREA HAS ACCEPTED A PROPOSAL FOR THE TALKS MADE BY NORTH KOREA'S SENIOR LIAISON OFFICIAL, CHOE BONG CHOON, EARLIER IN THE DAY, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

NORTH KOREAN PRIME MINISTER YON HYONG MUK AND HIS SOUTH KOREAN COUNTERPART KANG YOUNG HOON, AGREED TO CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE U.N. MEMBERSHIP ISSUE DURING THEIR HISTORIC MEETING IN SEOUL ON SEPTEMBER 5 AND 6.

THE GOVERNMENT IN SEOUL HAS ARGUED FOR SEPARATE, SIMULTANEOUS ENTRY INTO THE U.N. FOR BOTH KOREAS, WHILE PYONGYANG HAS INSISTED THAT THEY SHOULD SHARE A SINGLE SEAT IN THE WORLD BODY.

THE OFFICIALS OF NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA ARE EXPECTED TO DISCUSS PROCEDURAL MATTERS CONCERNING THE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE U.N. MEMBERSHIP ISSUE.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 12) KYODO - JAPAN'S IMPORTS OF MANUFACTURED GOODS JUMPED 8.1 PERCENT IN THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR OVER A YEAR AGO TO 55.18 BILLION DOLLARS DUE MAINLY TO BRISK SHIPMENTS FROM THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, THE JAPAN EXTERNAL TRADE ORGANIZATION (JETRO) SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE TOTAL FOR THE JANUARY-JUNE PERIOD PUSHED UP THE NATION'S RATIO OF MANUFACTURED GOODS TO ALL IMPORTS TO AN ALL-TIME HIGH 51.0 PERCENT, JETRO SAID.

IMPORTS OF MANUFACTURED GOODS SUCH AS AIRCRAFT AND COMPUTERS FROM THE U.S. POSTED A 15.7 PERCENT EXPANSION TO 15.61 BILLION DOLLARS, AND THOSE OF BRAND NAME CLOTHES AND AUTOMOBILES FROM THE 12-NATION EUROPEAN COMMUNITY CLIMBED 26.1 PERCENT TO 14.57 BILLION DOLLARS.

IN CONTRAST, IMPORTS FROM ASIAN COUNTRIES, EXCLUDING CHINA, DECLINED 3.4

PERCENT TO 12.47 BILLION DOLLARS BECAUSE OF SLUGGISH SHIPMENTS FROM NEWLY INDUSTRIALIZING ECONOMIES (NIES), JETRO SAID.

''NIES LIKE SOUTH KOREA AND TAIWAN ARE LOSING THEIR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVENESS DUE TO THEIR CURRENCIES' ADVANCES AGAINST THE U.S. DOLLAR AND THE YEN AND RISING LABOR COSTS,'' A JETRO ANALYST SAID.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 12) KYODO - ANTI-OLYMPIC GROUPS FROM CANADA AND JAPAN JOINED HANDS WEDNESDAY TO OPPOSE HOLDING THE OLYMPIC GAMES IN THEIR HOME LANDS SHORTLY BEFORE THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE (IOC) EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

''BREAD, NOT CIRCUSES, TORONTO'S ANTI-OLYMPIC COALITION'' IS RALLING AGAINST TORONTO'S BID TO HOST THE 1996 GAMES AND ''THE ANTI-NAGANO-WINTER-OLYMPICS PEOPLE'S NETWORK'' OPPOSES HOLDING THE 1998 WINTER OLYMPICS IN NAGANO.

AT A JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE HERE, JAN BORROWAY, FORMER CANADIAN OLYMPIC FIELD HOCKEY PLAYER AND A SPOKESWOMAN FOR THE GROUP REPRESENTING 56 SMALL PARTIES, SAID SHE AND DAVID KIDDE, WHO ALSO PARTICIPATES IN ANTIPOVERTY MOVEMENTS, CAME TO TOKYO TO TELL THE IOC OFFICIALS THAT OPPOSITION IN TORONTO IS GROWING AND GETTING STRONGER.

TORONTO IS AMONG THE SIX CITIES CAMPAIGNING TO HOST THE 1996 OLYMPICS AT THE IOC TOKYO SESSION. THE OTHER FIVE CITIES ARE ATHENS, ATLANTA, MELBOURNE, BELGRADE, AND MANCHESTER.

''IN AN OPINION POLL CONDUCTED THIS WEEK IN TORONTO, LESS THAN HALF OF THE CITIZENS SUPPORT THE OLYMPICS. AND 47 PERCENT SAY NO TO HOLDING THE GAMES IN TORONTO,'' BORROWAY SAID.

BESIDES ENVIRONMENTAL HURDLES, THE GROUP CLAIMS THAT THE MAJOR REASON FOR OPPOSING TO THE 1996 OLYMPICS IS THAT TORONTO IS IN THE MIDST OF SEVERE HOUSING AND POVERTY CRISES.

''TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND PEOPLE ARE HOMELESS AND 15,000 HAVE TO LINE UP AT FOOD BANKS,'' SAID BORROWAY. ''PUBLIC MONEY AND ENERGY SHOULD BE DEVOTED TO SOLVING THESE PROBLEMS.''

HOWEVER, BURROWAY AND KIDDE SAID THEY ARE NOT OPPOSED TO THE OLYMPICS ITSELF.

''WE'RE NOT ANTISPORTS. WE BELIVE THAT ALL PEOPLE, MEN, WOMEN, CHILDREN, THE DISABLED...EVERYBODY MUST HAVE EQUAL ACCESS TO SPORTS,'' KIDDE SAID.

BORROWAY SAID DURING THEIR STAY IN TOKYO UNTIL NEXT TUESDAY THEY WILL TRY TO CONTACT IOC OFFICIALS DAILY AND REQUEST MEETINGS WITH THEM.

THEY ARE ALSO SCHEDULED TO TAKE PART IN DEMONSTRATIONS WITH THE NAGANO GROUP.

TETSUO HONDA, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE NETWORK CONSISTING OF 23 SMALL GROUPS, SAID THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT WILL BE GREATLY HARMED BY HOSTING THE OLYMPICS IN THE CENTRAL JAPAN CITY.

ALTHOUGH NAGANO CITY OFFICIALS EXPLAINED THAT EXISTING FACILITIES WILL BE USED IF THEY HOST THE WINTER GAMES, HONDA SAID THE VENUE IMPROVEMENT CONSTRUCTION WORKS HAVE ALREADY BEGUN AND ARE DAMAGING THE AREA.

HONDA ALSO SAID THE BIDDING CAMPAIGN IS BEING CARRIED OUT IN AN UNDEMOCRATIC WAY.

''THE OLYMPICS IS A PUBLIC EVENT, BUT SO FAR, THERE HAVEN'T BEEN ANY MEETINGS TO EXPLAIN THE PLANS NOR HAVE THERE BEEN OPPORTUNITIES TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEMS WITH THE PUBLIC,'' HONDA SAID.

''SOME SAY THE OLYMPICS WILL INCREASE INCOME FROM TOURISM, BUT ACTUALLY, WE DON'T THINK THAT WILL DIRECTLY BENEFIT THE CITIZENS THEMSELVES,'' HONDA SAID. ''ALREADY, THE LAND PRICES IN FRONT OF NAGANO STATION HAVE JUMPED BY 85 PERCENT IN ONE YEAR. THIS WILL BE A BURDEN FOR THE CITIZENS.''

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SEOUL (SEPT. 12) KYODO - MALAYSIAN PRIME MINISTER MAHATHIR MOHAMAD DECLINED WEDNESDAY TO GIVE AN IMMEDIATE ANSWER TO A REQUEST BY SOUTH KOREA FOR ADDITIONAL OIL SUPPLIES, SOUTH KOREAN OFFICIALS SAID.

IN A MEETING WITH SOUTH KOREAN PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO, MAHATHIR DECLINED TO IMMEDIATELY ACCEPT THE REQUEST, MADE BY THE PRESIDENT, TO BOOST EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM TO SOUTH KOREA FROM 80,000 BARRELS PER DAY TO 110,000 BARRELS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

MAHATHIR CITED REASONS CONCERNING MALAYSIA'S CURRENT CAPACITY OF OIL PRODUCTION, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

DURING THE TALKS, ROH HAILED THE BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP, WHICH SOON WILL MARK 30 YEARS OF NORMALIZATION.

ROH URGED MAHATHIR, IN SEOUL FOR A FOUR-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT SINCE TUESDAY, TO GIVE SUPPORT TO STRENGTHEN TIES BETWEEN SOUTH KOREA AND THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN) IN HIS CAPACITY AS THE CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF ASEAN, OFFICIALS SAID.

ROH AND MAHATHIR ALSO DISCUSSED BILATERAL COOPERATION AS WELL AS EXCHANGING VIEWS ON THE GULF CRISIS, CAMBODIAN PEACE INITIATIVES, AND OTHER WORLD TOPICS, THEY SAID.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 12) KYODO - PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU MOVED WEDNESDAY TO NAME TWO NEW MINISTERS TO REPLACE TWO MEMBERS OF HIS SEVEN-MONTH-OLD SECOND CABINET WHO RESIGNED EARLIER IN THE DAY DUE TO ILLNESS.

YUJI OSADA, 73, FORMER STATE MINISTER IN CHARGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, IS TIPPED TO REPLACE JUSTICE MINISTER SHIN HASEGAWA. HASEGAWA WAS HOSPITALIZED MONDAY AFTER SUFFERING A STROKE THAT LEFT HIM UNCONSCIOUS AND PARALYZED ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF HIS BODY.

FORMER CONSTRUCTION MINISTER YOSHIAKE KIBE, 64, IS THE CHOICE AMONG PARTY LEADERS TO REPLACE SHIGETAMI SUNADA AS STATE MINISTER IN CHARGE OF HOKKAIDO AND OKINAWA DEVELOPMENT.

SUNADA HAS BEEN ABSENT FROM CABINET SESSIONS SINCE LATE AUGUST DUE TO A CHRONIC ILLNESS.

KAIFU WAS WEIGHING THE TWO CHOICES IN A WHIRLWIND ROUND OF DISCUSSIONS WITH LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP) SECRETARY GENERAL ICHIRO OZAWA AND FACTION LEADERS.

ONE MAJOR CONSIDERATION IN THE SELECTION PROCESS IS TO MAINTAIN THE BALANCE BETWEEN THE LDP'S MAJOR POLITICAL FACTIONS, POLITICAL ANALYSTS SAID.

KIBE IS AN EIGHT-TERM MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM SHIZUOKA PREFECTURE. BOTH HE AND SUNADA ARE MEMBERS OF THE FACTION OF MICHIO WATANABE, A FORMER FINANCE MINISTER.

OSADA IS A FOUR-TERM MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF COUNCILLORS FROM CHIBA PREFECTURE. LIKE HASEGAWA, HE IS A MEMBER OF THE LDP FACTION LED BY FORMER PRIME MINISTER NOBORU TAKESHITA, THE LARGEST IN THE PARTY.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 12) KYODO - JAPAN'S FOURTH-LARGEST CAR MANUFACTURER ISUZU MOTORS LTD. HAS ADMITTED TO DELAYS OF UP TO 15 MONTHS IN NOTIFYING CUSTOMERS OF DEFECTS IN FIVE DIFFERENT MODELS SLATED FOR RECALL AND REPAIR TRANSPORT MINISTRY OFFICIALS REVEALED WEDNESDAY.

THE MINISTRY HAD ISSUED A STRONG WARNING TO ISUZU AND WILL FOLLOW UP WITH A FURTHER INVESTIGATION, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

ISUZU OFFICIALS HAVE SAID THE DEFECT, IN THE STEERING WHEEL OF THE GEMINI SERIES, COULD CAUSE A SUDDEN LOSS OF THE ABILITY TO STEER.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT 12) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stocks move higher: The Nikkei adds 2.5% with 611 point move. stocks overseas are also moving higher. The EXMI is up a strong 1.16. ... The Dollar is down sharply against the yen, but is up against the sterling. ... Bond prices are higher with the yield backing down to 8.90%. ... North Sea crude is up 35 cents in London to $30.15. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports the U.S. current- account deficit edged up 0.8% to $21.84 billion in the second- quarter. ... The NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE approves two more phases in its five-step plan for 24-hour trading. ... JAMES JONES, head of the AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE, says the globalization of securities markets probably will lead to a shakeout among smaller U.S. exchanges, leaving more than three in business a decade from now. ... ASK COMPUTER SYSTEMS will buy software manufacturer INGRES CORP. for $110 million, and GENERAL MOTORS CORP.'s EDS unit and HEWLETT-PACKARD will acquire 30% of ASK for $60 million. ... COLLINS FOOD INTERNATIONAL is selling its 209 KENTUCKY FRIED CHICKEN stores to PEPSICO in exchange for $122 million in the soft drink company's stock.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE is scheduled to release a report on the consequences of the budget deficit at 9:45 a.m. EDT. CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE DIRECTOR ROBERT REISCHAUER to testify before the Senate Banking Committee on the condition of the banking industry. ... The FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION meets to discuss revisions to its natural gas pipeline construction rules. ... The FEDERAL RESERVE Board of Governors meets in open session at 10 a.m. EDT.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I have turned bullish intermediate term," says ANDREW ADDISON, publisher of the "Addison Report," a long term bull who had recently been very cautious. "I think that the market has done a very good job of discounting all but the worst with respect to the Middle East situation."

Addison says he sees a number of positive divergences, and was encouraged to see oil stocks remain sluggish during the oil price spike two days ago. "Any close over 2630 would generate a much stronger advance and could take us over 2700." (FNN "World Business Update", 9/12)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I think [that] along about next Monday through the 24th of September, or thereabouts, is the place where the most risk extends in the market, and I'm hoping we're going to see a very major low in the market by the 24th of September, perhaps a low for the entire year," says MICHAEL JENKINS, editor and publisher of "Stock Cycles Forecast." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/11)

STEVEN EINHORN, chief strategist at GOLDMAN SACHS & CO., says he is bearish on stocks partially because he is alarmed at the slowing rate of dividend growth. "In 1991, we think dividend growth will be at about 5% on the S&P 500." Measured against their inflation forecast of 5.5%, the inflation-adjusted dividend "growth" will be -0.5% in 1991. That would be the first time since 1984 that real dividend growth turned negative. "If we're right, the powerful dividend thrust of the market is about to disappear." (WSJ, 9/12)

STOCK MARKET:

The mood of the market is "pretty bearish," says ROBERT FREEDMAN, chief portfolio manager for JOHN HANCOCK's mutual funds. "There's not any real interest in buying. ... The low volume is just a reflection of everybody sitting on the sidelines," says Freedman. "It's a trading market rather than an investing market. It's come down so far that a lot of damage has been done to a lot of individual stocks and we need a period of settling down. Investor confidence has been upset, and it'll take some time to rebuild it." He continues, "The most negative thing short term is that the price of oil seems to affect the market on a daily basis. The market hates uncertainty, and we have a lot of that right now. If things get settled, if there's some movement on the budget deficit, that's positive, and if we have some stability on oil prices in the near term, that's positive. Long term, we certainly want to see some stability in interest rates." On a more hopeful note, he maintains that "later this fall, if all these things settle down, I think we could probably have a pretty good rally." (NYT, 9/12)

"Most people are sitting on their hands and are afraid to make a commitment to socks because of uncertainty in the Middle East and the economy," says JEFFREY MALET of PACIFIC CENTURY ADVISERS. He describes himself as "somewhat bearish" because he predicts a weak economy will lead to further earnings disappointments. ("Investor's Daily", 9/12)

KURT SCHULTZ, senior stock-index analyst at REFCO GROUP in Chicago, says the stock market is nervously vulnerable because of the Mideast situation, with much of the jitters showing up first in stock-index futures trading. "Even institutions have a trading mentality," he says, and investors can either trade against one another or hover on the sidelines. "Everyone is afraid to explore new territory. Do you sell at new [intraday] lows? Do you buy at new highs? Not likely." (WSJ, 9/12)

JAMES ANDREWS of JANNEY, MONTGOMERY SCOTT says the market is likely to remain in a fog until there is a development in the Middle East or the U.S. economy spurs investors into action. "You have buyers on one side, sellers on the other, and nobody wants to cross the line," says Andrews. ("USA Today", 9/11)

"The thing I make of this market is that it's aimless, it's wandering and the most significant thing you can see about it is the very light volume you are experiencing," says MONTE GORDON, director of research for the DREYFUS CORP. "It is quite obvious that the market is moving on whims and on rumors without really any regard for the fundamentals. ... It's not a market on which you can make a basic, fundamental decision." He says the only people who should be buying now are those with an investment horizon of 18 to 24 months. He says it will be that long before you see "any stable, disciplined situation. Any investment that you make has to have that perspective in time." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/11)

STOCK TIPS:

CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT fell two points on triple its average volume, but according to ALEX. BROWN & SONS' W. CHRISTOPHER MORTENSON, there is no good rationale for the drop. After investigating the stock, he says "I confirmed my belief that this business is absolutely fine," and reiterated his buy recommendation. The only explanation Mortenson could offer was that there is a substantial short position,

which he says could cause sharp, seemingly unexplained drops in the stock price. ("Investor's Daily", 9/12)

STEPHENS INC. recommends TYSON FOODS, an Arkansas-based producer of poultry products. The brokerage says 1990 earnings should grow 19% to $120 million, or $1.81 a share, as the company continues to expand through new products such as kids' meals and microwaveable sandwiches. ("USA Today", 9/11)

"Don't count on AMERICAN TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH being a good buy anytime soon," writes JOHN KELLER in the "Heard on the Street" column. Wall Street analysts are cutting their earnings estimates on the stock. "The economy is softening and the outlook for improvement in the near term, particularly with the Mideast crisis, isn't good. AT&T isn't immune to

this, especially in its equipment business," says JACK GRUBMAN, a PAINEWEBBER analyst. Grubman estimates that AT&T profits have been strained by annual pretax losses of $500 million in computers and office phone systems. JOEL GROSS of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE says, "In a full recession of negative 2%, AT&T could hit the low single digits or even flatten in terms of [revenue] growth." (WSJ, 9/12)

DURR-PHILAUER is a distributor of surgical and pharmaceutical products, and one of ANDREW ADDISON's favorite picks for conservative investors. "They are in an industry that is recession proof and growing," says Addison who likes the company's 20 consecutive years of earnings growth. The stock set a new high one month ago and Addison projects it to move into the low 30s. CONNER PERIPHERAL was down 1-1/2 yesterday but Addison says the stock is "in an excellent buy zone" for more speculative investors. With downside risk at 19, the stock should move back to 30 on the strength of explosive earnings growth, says Addison. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/12)

MONTE GORDON, director of research for the DREYFUS CORP., says investors should be looking out 18 months to two years for stocks to buy. From that perspective, he says he would be a buyer of "issues like WAL-MART and MERCK and DISNEY and P & G and DuPONT and WESTINGHOUSE - companies like that - on the premise that I would buy a little now. I may buy some more as the market goes through some of its decline in here, but I would be building positions" as the oil situation is resolved and the fundamentals of the economy begin to show an uptick. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/11)

Natural gas prices have not moved up with oil prices and there's no reason they should, says DAVID FLEISCHER, industry analyst at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. "There's a big surplus of natural gas during the off season. During the winter it's a very different story." Natural gas consumption actually declined 25% from 1973 to 1986, but Fleisher is very optimistic about the prospects for the industry over a long term, 3-5 year horizon. He thinks COLUMBIA GAS and ENRON still have room to move up. (CNN "Business Morning", 9/12)

"We're optimistic about the long term for West Germany, but there might be many obstacles in the meantime," says CHARLES DE VAULX, a portfolio manager at the French bank SOCIETE GENERALE. "The bottom line is [the German market] is not a real value opportunity right now," says TOM ROBINSON, chief international stock strategist at MERRILL LYNCH. PENNY DOBKIN, manager of FIDELITY'S EUROPE mutual fund agrees that "you don't want to rush into this market. But you have to separate the next 12 months from the next five years, because the next five years look great." ("USA Today", 9/12)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

TREVOR OPPELT of MMS INTERNATIONAL says a possible Fed easing is only one reason the dollar is weak. "Technically the dollar is weak, and the underlying fundamentals for the U.S. economy are still very bearish for the dollar," according to Oppelt. (FNN "Marketwatch", 9/12)

"I don't really think there's too much speculation of an imminent Fed easing," says JULIAN CALLOW of CHASE INVESTMENT BANK in London. But Callow says Greenspan's upcoming Congressional testimony will be watched very closely. (FNN "Marketwatch", 9/12)

Good news on the budget negotiations helped the bond market move higher yesterday in light trading, but many security investors are still cautious. "There have been too many times in the past when unrealistic economic assumptions have been used to achieve budget savings," says DAVID DUERSON, manager of the Government trading desk at the SECURITY PACIFIC BANK in Los Angeles. "Once you have cut through those assumptions you find out you really haven't done very much. But the news was enough to move the market because trading was so thin." He adds, "Positive action on the budget would have a very beneficial effect on business and public psychology irrespective of the economic effects of what is proposed." (NYT, 9/12)

THE ECONOMY:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT report released yesterday shows that exports are on the rise. "The very positive thing in the midst of all the gloom and doom in the U.S. economy is that, with the exception of Canada and to some extent Britain, the rest of our trading partners are growing quite strongly." On the negative side, he adds, "Oil is the big clinker." (WSJ 9/12)

"We are in a dividend recession," says ARNOLD KAUFMAN, editor of S&P's "Outlook" newsletter. "There are too few profits, and there's too much debt." (WSJ, 9/12)

Basically, the longer the situation [in the Middle East] is not resolved, the longer and the higher [oil] prices will go," says JAMES O'MEALIA of N.Y. LIFE. He says if the current stalemate continues, the U.S. could face oil shortages this winter. "We could see oil prices reaching 35-40 dollars this winter, with no resolution," according to O'Mealia. (CNBC "World Business", 9/12)

IN WASHINGTON:

The GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE says the FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. fund that protects depositors when banks fail is dwindling so rapidly that it could be wiped out by a recession or a single big bank failure. ("The Washington Post", 9/12)

"Not since its birth during the Great Depression has the federal system of deposit insurance faced such a period of danger and uncertainty as it does today," says COMPTROLLER GENERAL CHARLES BOWSHER. "We have a lot of situations out there that could wipe the fund out." Bowsher says there are several billion dollars in losses that banks have yet to report. ("Investor's Daily", 9/12)

"It's an issue of overspending," says U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE President RICHARD LESHER about the budget deficit. He says the budget process has become far too politicized, and thinks the only solution is a "political revolution" that would solve the deficit "by keeping spending in line with revenue." Lesher believes that the budget could be balanced by merely eliminating spending growth, avoiding any actual cuts. ("Investor's Daily", 9/12)

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#90255p3684 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA BARBARA, CA (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Geodynamics Corp. (NASDAQ: GDYN) announced today that its board of directors has approved a cash dividend of 6 cents for the first quarter of fiscal 1990, pursuant to its quarterly dividend policy. This dividend will be payable on or before Oct. 3, 1990, to all shareholders of record as of Sept. 21, 1990.

Geodynamics Corp. is a major supplier of specialized systems engineering, systems integration, software development, and studies and analyses in support of U.S. Government command, control and intelligence applications.

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#90255p3685 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal court jury of six persons ruled yesterday that Advanced Micro Devices (NYSE: AMD) infringed three patents owned by Brooktree Corp. and also infringed mask work rights of Brooktree under the Semiconductor Chip Protection Act.

This is believed to be the first verdict under the Semiconductor Chip Protection Act since the Act became law in 1984. The Act is intended to

protect layouts of circuits in semiconductor chips against unauthorized duplication, thus encouraging innovation, research, and investment in the semiconductor industry. The infringement by AMD involves the mask works of Brooktree in the static RAM cells in the Bt451 and Bt458 chips.

The three patents infringed by AMD describe and protect (1) the static RAM in Brooktree's RAMDAC chips including the Bt451 and Bt458 chips, (2) the digital-to-analog converters (DACs) included in most of Brooktree's DAC and RAMDAC chips and (3) the dual-mode (voltage and current) reference generators in Brooktree's Bt471 and Bt478 chips. Major applications of these chips are in graphics for engineering workstations and high-end personal computers. Brooktree is a recognized leader in such graphic applications.

In its suit, Brooktree is seeking injunctive relief, as well as restitution for damages arising from infringing actions by Advanced Micro Devices. The jury will hear damages evidence beginning today, Sept. 12.

Brooktree designs, manufactures, and markets mixed-signal integrated circuits (IC) products for applications in computer graphics, electronic imaging, and automatic test equipment (ATE). The company is headquartered in San Diego.

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#90255p3688 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - In a series of announcements today, the Steel Can Recycling Institute (SCRI) announced the election of William M. Heenan Jr. to the position of president.

Formerly chairman of the board for the SCRI, Heenan officially will assume responsibilities as president on Oct. 1.

The election follows the resignation of Kurt Smalberg, current SCRI president. Smalberg will retain his position through Sept. 30, and will thereafter continue to serve on the SCRI board of directors.

Heenan most recently was general manager of tin mill products for the USS Division of USX Corp. (NYSE: X), a position he assuemd in 1988. He had been with the company for 19 years, initially at the South Works in Chicago. He moved to Pittsburgh headquarters in 1981 as a senior analyst in tin mill products, and was named manager of tin products marketing four years later. Heenan currently is the district chairman for Allegheny Trails Council of the Boy Scouts of America and a member of the board of directors of Keep America Beautiful.

He has served on the SCRI board of directors since August 1988, and was elected to the position of chairman in April 1989. As president, he will oversee the SCRI staff which is implementing a broad-based recycling infrastructure in cooperation with public and private entities throughout the nation.

The SCRI concurrently announced the election of James B. Bruhn, formerly vice chairman of the SCRI board, to the position of chairman, and Lawrence A. Purks, member of the board, to the position of vice chairman.

Bruhn has been with Weirton Steel since 1987, when he joined the company in his current position. He was appointed to Weirton Steel's board of directors in 1990. Bruhn has 25 years of sales experience with the metals industry, primarily in steel. He was formerly with the USS Division of USX Corp. -- where he held sales and marketing positions, including that of general manager of tin mill products; and with Titanium Metals Corporation of America -- where he was vice president of sales and marketing.

The Steel Can Recycling Institute is an industry association with the mission of promoting and sustaining steel can recycling. It is the primary information and technical resource for legislators, municipalities, recyclers, businesses and other entities interested in steel can recycling or in developing steel can recycling programs.

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#90255p3690 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Forstmann & Company, Inc. has extended until midnight, New York time, on Tuesday, Sept. 25, 1990, the expiration date, withdrawal rights and proration period relating to its exchange offer for up to $60 million aggregate principal amount of the $100 million outstanding of its 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999 for an equal principal amount of its new split coupon (accrued interest) senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999.

As of Sept. 11, 1990, approximately $145,000 in outstanding principal amount of the 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes had been tendered for exchange and not withdrawn.

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#90255p3693 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROSLYN, NY (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Cheyenne Software, Inc. (AMEX: CYE)

today announced that Irwin Magnetic Systems, Inc. of Ann Arbor, Mich., will offer a custom version of Cheyenne's ARCserve(R) data backup and restore solution for 286 and 386 NetWare networks on Irwin's 4mm and 8mm backup storage systems. Irwin will market the product under the name EzARC(TM) software.

Alan Kaufman, vice president of sales and marketing at Cheyenne, commented "The rapid growth of high-performance network file servers is creating a corresponding need for fast, high-performance data backup systems. We're very pleased that Irwin selected ARCserve, because it illustrates ARCserve's power, reliability and flexibility in supporting backup to an increasing number of data storage systems."

Edwin F. Carlson, president of Irwin, stated, "Irwin is committed to providing our customers with superior backup and archiving solutions. We chose Cheyenne as a joint development partner because ARCserve software integrates seamlessly with our storage systems, and provides our end users with a new level of performance and flexibility in backup and restore."

Irwin Magnetic Systems, Inc., is the world's largest manufacturer of minicartridge tape backup systems for microcomputers. Irwin is a subsidiary of Archive Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ACHV) of Costa Mesa, Calif. the world's largest manufacturer of tape backup systems. Archive products include 1/4-inch minicartridge drives, 1/4- and 1/2- inch data cartridge drives, and optical and WORM drives.

In addition to ARCserve, Cheyenne's Network Products Group offers Monitrix(R), the first full-function network management and control program; and the Cheyenne Utilities for NetWare (including NetBack/R/), a set of integrated utilities for NetWare 286, 386 and portable NetWare networks. Cheyenne's Business Analysis Group offers the Organization Analyst(R), a PC-based software product which is used for corporate restructuring.

CONTACT: Eli Oxenhorn, president, or Elliot Levine, vice president and CFO, 516-484-5110, of Cheyenne Software

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#90255p3695 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHATSWORTH, CA (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Diodes Inc. (AMEX: DIO), a full-line semiconductor rectifier supplier, today announced sales and operating results for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

First quarter sales were $3,733,738, an increase of 17 percent compared with sales of $3,202,591 for the first quarter of the prior year. Net earnings for the quarter were $205,618, or 5 cents per share, compared to $17,990, or 0.5 cents per share for the first quarter of last year.

In commenting on the announcement, David Lloyd, president and chief executive officer, stated: "The greatly improved performance in the first quarter is attributed partly to our reorganized and expanded sales and marketing force, and partly to aggressive purchasing which has increased our gross margin to 33 percent for the quarter compared to 28 percent for last year's first quarter. Bookings are continuing at a very satisfactory level and backlog is increasing. We expect the increased sales and earnings to continue in the second quarter."

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#90255p3697 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Ecolab Inc. (NYSE: ECL) and HENKEL KGaA, Dusseldorf, West Germany, announced that on Sept. 11, 1990, they agreed to form a joint venture of their respective European cleaning and sanitizing businesses. In addition, Ecolab will acquire Henkel's cleaning and sanitizing businesses in 18 other countries outside of Europe and expects to acquire Henkel's interest in its cleaning and sanitizing businesses in several other countries.

As previously announced, on Dec. 11, 1989, Ecolab issued $110 million of its Series A Convertible Preferred Stock to Henkel as an initial step in this endeavor. As a result of subsequent negotiations, Ecolab and Henkel have agreed to combine their European cleaning and sanitizing businesses in a joint venture with each partner having a 50 percent economic interest. Henkel will serve as managing partner. The joint venture will have its own manufacturing facilities, its own R&D activity for technical service and product development and will be autonomous from its parents. The joint venture's administrative headquarters will be located in Dusseldorf.

Regulatory approvals are required in various jurisdictions before the agreements can be consummated. It is anticipated that the closing will occur the beginning of 1991.

As a result of the formation of the Henkel-Ecolab joint venture and Ecolab's purchase of Henkel's cleaning and sanitizing businesses in other countries, Henkel will receive 5.6 million shares of Ecolab's common stock and approximately $74 million, subject to adjustment. Henkel will receive an additional $110 million, reflecting its investment in the Ecolab Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, which will be retired concurrently with the closing.

Upon consummation of the transaction, Henkel's resulting equity ownership in Ecolab will represent approximately 19 percent of Ecolab's then

outstanding common shares. Henkel's ownership of these shares will be subject to an agreement containing restrictions pertaining to, among other things, maximum share holding, transfer and voting rights. Henkel will be permitted to purchase Ecolab shares in the open market which, including the shares to be received in the transaction, could increase its total position up to a maximum of 26 percent of Ecolab's outstanding common shares. Over time Henkel will have the ability to own up to 30 percent. Henkel will have representation on Ecolab's board of directors proportionate to its Ecolab stock ownership.

Pierson M. Grieve, Ecolab chairman and chief executive officer, commented, "It is with great excitement and anticipation that we announce our agreement with Henkel which culminates 10 months of extensive study, analyses, negotiations, planning and organization.

"The primary change will occur in Europe with the creation of Henkel-Ecolab, owned jointly by both partners. Initially, this business will have approximately $750 million in revenues, solid earnings and cash flow, and employ some 3,500 personnel. Even more important, the joint venture will have the size and breadth of product offerings to permit it to compete vigorously and successfully in the unified European market of 1992.

"In addition, Ecolab's purchase of most of Henkel's remaining worldwide cleaning and sanitizing operations will initially increase Ecolab's revenues by over $50 million in Asia and Latin America and give us new positions in countries where we have not had a presence."

Pierson M. Grieve concluded, "While there will be start-up costs in 1991, we believe the growth of these businesses and the potential synergies will offset them and that there should be no dilution of Ecolab's 1991 per share earnings. Of greater importance, we expect that future years will benefit from increased earnings."

Dr. Helmut Sihler, president and chief executive officer of Henkel, stated "The anticipated successful completion of this transaction is a major step in the development of both companies' marketing opportunities in the European market of 1992. We are pleased to be working with Ecolab in this endeavor."

Ecolab is a leading worldwide developer and marketer of premium cleaning, sanitizing and maintenance services for the hospitality, institutional and residential markets. For the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, Ecolab reported sales of $1.3 billion and earnings of $34.2 million, after preferred dividends, or $1.25 per share, excluding a one-time charge of $31.5 million, or $(1.15) per share. Earnings in 1989 were $2.7 million, or $0.10 per share. Ecolab's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange under the symbol ECL.

Henkel is the world's largest manufacturer of oleochemicals made from natural fats and oils, offers the largest range of adhesives and is a leading producer of metal treatment products. Henkel ranks among the top companies in Europe for detergents and cleaning agents, institutional hygiene and industrial cleaning, personal care and cosmetic products. Sales in 1989 were DM11.6 billion, or $6.2 billion; net earnings were DM404 million, or $217.2 million.

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#90255p3698 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - National Intergroup Inc. (NYSE: NII), announced today that, in accordance with its previous announcement, it had amended the terms of its pending tender offer for all outstanding cumulative convertible preference units representing limited partnership interests of Permian Partners, L.P., to extend the term of the contingent value rights ("CVRs") offered thereby for an additional year, until June 30, 1993, and to provide that any deferred payments (as defined) that may become due and payable under the terms of the CVRs will be made at 100 percent during the entire term of the CVRs, rather than in accordance with the declining percentages set forth in the supplement dated Aug. 8, 1990, containing the original terms of the CVRs. The revised terms of the CVRs are set forth in the second supplement dated Sept. 12, 1990, amending the terms of the offer.

In connection with amending the terms of the CVRs, NII also announced that it is extending the tender offer until midnight (New York City time) on Sept. 25, 1990, subject to NII's right to extend the offer further. The tender offer was previously scheduled to expire at midnight (New York City time) on Sept. 11, 1990. NII said that the second supplement containing the amended terms of the CVRs is being filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission today and will be mailed to holders of preference units promptly.

As of the close of business on Sept. 11, 1990, approximately 8,591,001 preference units (including 1,517,799 preference units pursuant to notices of guaranteed delivery) had been tendered and not withdrawn pursuant to the offer. The offer is conditioned upon, among other things, there being tendered and not withdrawn prior to the expiration of the offer at least 7,875,001 of the publicly held preference units, representing a majority of the publicly held preference units.

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#90255p3699 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Tosco Corporation (NYSE: TOS) today announced the redemption of its Series E Preferred Stock has been completed.

As a result of the Aug. 10, 1990 call for redemption, in excess of 99 percent of the Series E Preferred voluntarily converted to Tosco common stock. Tosco, therefore, now has approximately 31 million common shares outstanding.

Tosco, which expects a strong third quarter (in line with or better than second quarter results) also announced that its program to acquire its own equity securities, which had been suspended during the redemption period, will now be resumed, as Tosco deems appropriate. The corporation has currently authorized approximately $20 million for the acquisition of such securities from time to time.

Tosco is a large independent oil refiner engaged in the refining and marketing of wholesale petroleum products on the West Coast of the United States and one of the largest U.S. manufacturers and wholesale distributors of phosphate-based fertilizer products.

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#90255p3701 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Santa Fe Pacific Corporation ("SFP") (NYSE: SFX) announced today that it has accepted for exchange $215.6 million principal amount of its 16 percent senior subordinated debentures due 2003. Deadline for participation in the exchange was midnight, Sept. 11.

Debenture holders will receive 67.25 shares of SFP common stock (with cash in lieu of fractional shares) plus cash in the amount of $26.67 per $1,000 principal amount of debentures accepted for exchange. SFP will issue approximately 14.5 million shares of its common stock in the exchange offer.

Based upon a preliminary count subject to final verification, approximately $260 million aggregate principal amount of debentures were tendered by midnight Sept. 11, including tenders by notice of guaranteed delivery. The $215.6 million aggregate principal amount of debentures are being purchased on a pro-rata basis. The definitive proration factor is expected to be announced on or about Sept. 18, 1990.

SFP is continuing with its plan to refinance and redeem the remaining $565

million in outstanding debentures on or about Oct. 31, 1990, through issuance of long-term debt at the parent company and proceeds of an offering made Sept. 6 of variable rate exchangeable debentures at its pipeline subsidiary.

The company anticipates completion of the refinancing in early October. "We will then be in a position for our board to consider the spinoff to our stockholders of our ownership in Catellus, our real estate subsidiary, and Santa Fe Energy Resources, our oil and gas subsidiary," said Robert D. Krebs, chairman, president and chief executive officer.

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#90255p3707 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - General Chairman James R. Grady, president, Borg-Warner Automotive, has announced plans for a special presentation commemorating the 50th anniversary of climate control at the 1990 SAE Passenger Car Meeting & Exposition, it was announced today.

The meeting is scheduled for Sept. 17-20 at the Hyatt Regency in Dearborn, Mich.

Paul E. Anglin, manager of advanced planning, ITT Higbie Manufacturing Co. will organize the all-day Wednesday session entitled, "50 Years of Climate Control." Gerald L. Elson, general manager, Harrison Radiator Division, GMC, will introduce the presentations with a brief keynote address. A special climate control display in the passenger car exhibit is also planned.

The meeting kicks off Monday, Sept. 17, with a keynote luncheon featuring Arvin F. Mueller, corporate vice president and group director of engineering, Chevrolet-Pontiac-GM of Canada. Mueller will examine the "International Automotive Industry in the 1990s." Some 25 sessions will follow, including multi-session conferences on engines, transmissions, advanced manufacturing technology, maintenance and suspensions.

James F. Bere, Borg-Warner chairman and CEO, will be the featured speaker for the annual Passenger Car Banquet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday in the Hubbard Ballroom. Presentations of several prestigious awards will take place during the banquet: the Colwell Awards for the best SAE papers of 1989, the Cole Award for Automotive Engineering Innovation, and the SAE Henry Ford II Distinguished Award for Excellence in Automotive Engineering. David C. Smith, editor-in-chief, Ward's Auto World, will serve as toastmaster.

Banquet table, exhibit, car display or session information can be obtained

by contacting M.J. Asensio Jr., at SAE Troy, Mich., 313-649-0420. For copies of the meeting program, please contact the SAE Communications Division, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, Pa. 15096, phone: 412-772-7131.

CONTACT: Barbara Pontello of SAE, 412-776-4841

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#90255p3713 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARSIPPANY, NJ (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Armco Inc. (NYSE: AS) announced today that it has extended the expiration date for its pending consent solicitation and offer to purchase its 13-1/2 percent senior notes due 1994 from consenting noteholders to 5:00 p.m., New York time, Wednesday, Sept. 19, 1990. The solicitation and offer was originally scheduled to expire at 5:00 p.m., New York time, on Thursday, Sept. 6, 1990 and was extended to 5:00 p.m., New York time, on Wednesday, Sept. 12, 1990.

Armco is seeking the consent of the noteholders to amend provisions of the indenture relating to the Notes which currently prohibit payment of dividends on its common stock. Armco said it needs approval from holders of 50.1 percent of the Notes outstanding to amend the indenture. There are currently $164 million of notes outstanding.

As of the close of business on Sept. 11, 1990, consents representing approximately $53,132,000 of principal amount of the notes outstanding had been deposited. Of this amount approximately $21,302,000 principal amount of the notes outstanding had been tendered and deposited.

Armco also stated that it was considering amending its pending consent solicitation and offer to purchase on or prior to Sept. 19, 1990. If any amendment is made, the consent solicitation and offer to purchase will be extended further.

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#90255p3716 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CONN. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc. (UCC&P) and ARCO Chemical Company (NYSE: RCM) today announced completion of the transaction for the acquisition by ARCO of UCC&P's urethane polyols and propylene glycols businesses.

Urethane polyols are used to make polyurethane foam found in furniture cushioning and other products. Propylene glycols are used to make personal care products and cosmetics, automotive antifreeze, pet foods, liquid detergents, unsaturated polyester resins and various functional

fluids.

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both of Union Carbide

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#90255p3717 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHELTON, CONN. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - In a statement today, Data Switch Corporation (NASDAQ: DASW) said that IBM's System 390 announcement last week will greatly expand market opportunities for the company's switching products.

"We had anticipated and welcome IBM's announcement of fiber channels and the new switching capability," said Robert G. Gilbertson, president and chief executive officer. "This announcement has stimulated and revitalized what some had considered to be a mature switch market. In fact, we expect that by the mid-1990s, even data centers with a single mainframe will need a switch."

"IBM's announcement of fiber channels and the inclusion of switching as a key component of its new Enterprise System Connect (ESCON) architecture provides substantial growth opportunity for our current switching and fiber extension products, as well as for the new products we have under development," said Gilbertson. "As customers incorporate IBM's new fiber technology, they will require switching solutions for both their current and new channel architectures."

Data Switch is recognized as a market leader in channel extension and switching products, having pioneered the first fiber-optic channel extender in 1985. The company was the first to develop a large-scale dynamic switch for IBM mainframe channels and a "fault-tolerant" channel matrix switch.

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#90255p3720 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CORTLAND, N.Y. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Marietta Corporation (NASDAQ: MRTA) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the re-purchase of up to a maximum of 10 percent of its outstanding shares of common stock. The timing of such purchases, if any, will depend on market conditions, and will be made at management's discretion.

Marietta currently has 3,723,671 shares of common stock outstanding. Marietta Corporation specializes in the design, manufacture, packaging, marketing and distribution of guest amenity programs to the travel and

lodging industry in the United States and abroad, and provides customized "sample-size" and "unit-of-use" packaging products and services to major consumer products companies in the toiletries, cosmetics and pharmaceutical industries.

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#90255p3721 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS (N.J. SEPT. L2) PR NEWSWIRE - Capital Holding Corporation (NYSE: CPH), one of the nation's largest stockholder-owned, insurance companies, today announced the formation of a new foreign currency investment advisory and asset management company, Capital Holding Currency Advisors (CHCA). CHCA will be run jointly by Andrew J. Krieger, 34, and Jonathan M. Berg, 41, as managing directors and will be part of Capital Holding's Accumulation and Investment Group.

"The formation of CHCA broadens our diversification in the fee- based money management business and expands our international investment expertise," said Joseph Tumbler, president of Capital Holding's Accumulation and Investment Group. CHCA will also manage a portion of Capital Holding's non-traditional investment portfolio in addition to funds from its other clients.

Krieger will supervise asset management activities, with Berg taking responsibility for marketing and operations.

Krieger established a successful track record trading currencies in the spot and option markets for Bankers Trust, Salomon Brothers and Soros Management throughout the l980s. It was widely reported in the press that, at Bankers Trust, his trading led to l987 profits of more than $300 million for the company.

Since l988 Krieger had been the president of Krieger Investments Ltd., an asset management and advisory firm based in Englewood Cliffs, N.J.

Capital Holding Currency Advisors will offer asset management and advisory services to institutional investors, central banks and high net worth individuals throughout the world.

Capital Holding Corporation is one of the nation's five largest stockholder-owned life insurance organizations, with over $l5 billion in assets and $45 billion of life insurance in force.

Capital Holding, with headquarters in Louisville, Ky., has more than 8,500 employees and is organized into four major units reflecting its Accumulation and Investment, Agency, Direct Response, and Banking

operations.

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#90255p3727 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Mercury Air Group Inc. (AMEX: MAX) today announced the planned addition of 30,000 square feet of mechanized cargo handling facilities to the company's current 20,000 square foot cargo operations at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX).

Already one of the largest LAX-based providers of cargo containerization and palletization services, Mercury Air plans to install highly sophisticated cargo operations and increase its customer base of international airlines through the addition of the new facilities. The expansion project will begin in early January 1991 and is expected to be completed by March 1991.

"The enlarged capacity will enable Mercury Air to rapidly grow as an international air cargo handler. In fact, we are already negotiating for the airfreight cargo business of several additional international airlines based on this expansion," said Seymour Kahn, chairman of Mercury Air Group.

"An important aspect of this project is the steady growth of U.S. air cargo deliveries, particularly from the Far East. In addition, LAX has expanded to handle more international airline companies than any U.S. airport. The new facilities will enable Mercury Air to take advantage of these favorable trends," Kahn explained.

Mercury Air Group Inc. provides fueling, cargo handling, and ground support for commercial, military and general aviation aircraft. These services are handled through the company's main operations at Los Angeles International Airport, five fixed-base operations in Nevada and California and 15 U.S. military bases in America and abroad.

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#90255p3731 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHESDA, MD (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Martin Marietta Corporation (NYSE: ML) announced today that it has acquired Perry Technologies, a developer of underwater systems, from the Perry Group Inc., a privately held company located in Riviera Beach, Fla. Terms were not disclosed.

Martin M. Koshar, president of Martin Marietta Aero & Naval Systems, said: "Acquisition of Perry Technologies offers Martin Marietta an ideal opportunity to continue to expand its position in undersea systems and supports our work in anti-submarine warfare and in unmanned underwater vehicles specifically."

Martin Marietta has developed a Mobile Undersea Systems Test laboratory for demonstrating unmanned underwater vehicle technologies to which Perry Technologies contributed.

Perry Technologies in an international leader in the design, manufacture, and operation of manned and unmanned undersea work systems, including remotely operated vehicles and equipment for undersea reconnaissance, recovery, and maintenance.

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#90255p3734 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Mayor's Jewelers, Inc., said today it is withdrawing its planned initial public stock offering because of the current uncertainty in the stock market.

Sam Getz, Mayor's president, said the company -- a leading upscale retailer of fine jewelry and watches with 21 stores throughout Central and Southeast Florida -- has made "other financial arrangements" to help fund expansion, and that the company will continue to remain private for the foreseeable future.

"We've been monitoring the stock market closely the last several weeks, and decided that expanding our capital base through a public offering became less desirable than other options," said Getz.

CONTACT: Bruce S. Rubin of Bruce Rubin Associates, Inc., 305-448-7450, for Mayor's Jewelers, Inc.

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TROY, MI (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) today unveiled a new retail identity symbol, signaling change and innovation for the 2,300 Kmart store network.

"Kmart has always had a strong and highly recognizable image," said Kmart Chairman Joseph E. Antonini. "We want our retail identity to represent what Kmart's about today. This new symbol keeps Kmart in step with the

times and reflects the dynamism and excitement of the company's commitment to renewal. We are particularly delighted to be unveiling this new identity symbol at one of our new prototype stores for the '90s here in Oak Park, Mich."

Kmart Corporation announced in February 1990 an accelerated five- year, $2.3 billion new store opening, enlargement and modernization program. This aggressive program involves building approximately 250 new full-size Kmart stores, enlarging 620 current stores, relocating 280 others and refurbishing the remaining 1,260 to bring their layout and fixturing up to new store standards.

The new red and white logo captures the company's strategic plan for the '90s with the bold red "K" incorporating the word "mart" into the design. The main building sign will be illuminated, carrying more impact. Made of acrylic and aluminum, it will be stronger and easier to maintain than the existing sign.

The identity program created by AGP includes new color, typography, standards and guidelines for all media, including signs, employee apparel, advertising, tags, etc.

Kmart would prefer all stores to have the new retail logo in place today. However, since that is physically impossible, the program will be rolled out in phases. All newly built and expanded stores will carry the new logo in external and internal signage and details. Other stores will have new signage in place as they are refurbished. The company, however, expects the program to be completed simultaneously with the store modernization program in 1995.

Kmart's new retail identity symbol is part of its ongoing program to create more effective communications with its customer base, including marketing and advertising. In 1987, the company reorganized its hard goods buying departments into six well-defined divisions to develop departments with category dominance. They include Kitchen Corner, Bed and Bath Shops, Home Care and Horticulture departments, Apparel and Sporting Goods and Automotive Accessories departments. In early 1988, the company began distributing seven-day-duration ad circulars once a week rather than the previous twice-a-week distribution.

Kmart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,331 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse, Inc. and The Sports Authority. Kmart stock is traded on the New York, Pacific, Midwest and Tokyo stock exchanges. Its trading symbol is KM.

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RIVERTON, WYO. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Energy Corporation (NASDAQ: USEG, CBAG) and its 44 percent owned subsidiary, Crested Corporation announced a 2 million pound uranium oxide (U3O8) sales contract -- valued at $30 million -- with a major U.S. utility. This marks the seventh contract with eight major U.S. utilities entered into by U.S. Energy and Crested Corp. (USE/CC) on behalf of Sheep Mountain Partners, a 50/50 partnership between USE/CC and Cycle Resource Investment Corp. Cycle Resource Investment Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of NUKEM, Inc. of Stamford, Conn.

John L. Larsen, president of U.S. Energy said, "This contract brings the total future contracted deliveries of SMP to about 11 million pounds through the year 2000 and the revenues from all contracts are estimated to be $190 million."

USE/CC and SMP continue to bid on additional contracts for the sale of uranium domestic and foreign utilities to meet the large amount of their unfulfilled requirements during the 1990s.

U.S. Energy and Crested Corp. are diversified mineral companies with interests in major uranium resources in joint ventures with Kennecott Uranium Company and Cycle Resource on properties located in south-central Wyoming. The companies also have interests in molybdenum, gold and other base and precious metals properties.

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#90255p3748 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Archer Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: QSNDF; Toronto: AAZ) announced today that it has entered into a five year distribution agreement with Capcom Co. Ltd. ("Capcom") of Osaka, Japan, for the distribution of Archer's proprietary integrated QSound video game chips (''QSound Chips'').

Archer will receive a non-refundable signing fee of $2,000,000 (U.S.) for granting Capcom the exclusive worldwide rights for distribution of QSound Chips within the coin-operated video game industry. $1,000,000 (U.S.) is due within 30 days and the balance is due upon delivery of the first QSound Chips.

Capcom has agreed to sell a minimum of 500,000 QSound Chips during this initial five year term.

Capcom is a leading manufacturer of coin-operated video games, and one of the top three designers of Nintendo video games.

Archer's proprietary QSound technology allows a player to interact with discretely placed sounds within the listening environment.

CONTACT: Donald J. Robertson, VP-investors, or Anthony Ghitter (media), both of Archer Communications Inc., 403-269-9007

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#90255p3749 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP) today filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a public offering of $200 million of senior notes due Oct. 1, 2000, and $200 million of senior debentures due Oct. 1, 2020.

Lehman Brothers and Merrill Lynch Capital Markets will be the underwriters. The company said it intends to use the net proceeds from the offering for the repayment of short-term borrowings and other outstanding debt.

The Coastal Corporation is a Houston-based energy holding company. It has consolidated assets of $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal and chemicals, and independent power production.

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#90255p3754 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas-New Mexico Power Company today announced that Unit 1 of its lignite-fueled electric generating plant located in Robertson County, Texas, (TNP One) is in commercial operation. Company officials said the unit has satisfied the predetermined requirements for "commercial operation." Texas-New Mexico Power Company is the wholly owned subsidiary of Fort Worth-based TNP Enterprises, Inc. (NYSE: TNP).

"This event marks an important milestone on the history of our company," said James Tarpley, president and chief executive officer of the company. "The technology utilized by TNP One is state-of-the-art and provides clean, cost-efficient generation of power," he added.

TNP One is a two-unit 300 megawatt electric generating station capable of burning natural gas and western coal in addition to its primary fuel, Texas lignite. The facility was constructed under a unique, turnkey contract by a consortium consisting of Westinghouse Electric Corporation, H.B. Zachry Company and Combustion Engineering. Unit 2 is approximately 70 percent completed and scheduled to reach commercial operation in mid-1991.

To this date, TNP One is the largest electric generating facility in the United States to utilize the environmentally superior "circulating fluidized-bed" (CFB) technology. The CFB technology eliminates the need for expensive scrubbers required by "pulverized coal" generating units to remove sulphur. Because of a lower operating temperature, the CFB unit eliminates slagging problems and controls nitrous oxide emissions.

According to company officials, Unit 1 is currently providing a firm and stable supply of electricity to customers.

In another development, the company also announced that, at a pre- hearing conference conducted on Sept. 6 and 7, an administrative law judge at the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) denied the company's request for interim approval of deferred accounting treatment (DAT) for Unit 1. The company intends to file a motion appealing the administrative law judge's decision directly to the PUCT commissioners, which can be heard as early as Sept. 19.

Texas-New Mexico Power Company, an electric utility serving 90 towns and cities with 200,000 customers in Texas and New Mexico, is the principal, wholly owned subsidiary of TNP Enterprises, Inc.

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#90255p3755 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Qintex Entertainment Inc. (QEI) (NASDAQ: QNTX) today reported court approval of the sale of the company's entertainment assets to RHI Entertainment Inc. for approximately $42.4 million and the assumption of certain obligations of QEI. The sale includes the QEI library, accounts receivable, development projects, an substantially all other programming assets.

The entertainment assets sale to RHI is subject to obtaining further bankruptcy court orders approving the transfer of contracts and other rights of QEI. The company believes that these approvals can be obtained prior to the end of October 1990. The purchase price is subject to final adjustments at closing.

The company has earlier reported court approval for the sale of QEI's

interest in HR Broadcasting, Inc. (HRBC). HRBC owns two television stations that are being sold to ABRY Communications for over $40 million, of which QEI will receive approximately $20 million for its interests. The ABRY transaction is scheduled to close following transfer of FCC licenses, which is expected to occur in November 1990.

The assets sales were approved in U.S. Bankruptcy Court by Judge Lisa Fenning. Qintex filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in October 1989.

CONTACT: Daniel Saks of Russell Communications, 213-823-3622, for Qintex Entertainment Inc.

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#90255p3762 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines today said it will offer gift certificates for air travel and WorldVacations packages.

Northwest said the gift certificates, which can be purchased in any amount up to $500, now are available at its airport ticket counters, city ticket offices and by mail.

"We wanted to begin offering the certificates now as people begin considering gifts for the coming holidays," said Martha Kling-Circele, manager of leisure travel programs. "Travel can be a wonderful gift."

Recipients can redeem certificates for flights on Northwest Airlines and Northwest Airlink and to purchase Northwest WorldVacations packages.

The certificates are fully refundable and are valid for a year from the issue date.

Northwest is America's fourth largest airline. It serves 135 cities in 40 states, Canada, Mexico, the Carribean, Asia and Europe.

CONTACT: Doug Miller or Bob Gibbons of Northwest Airlines, 612-726-2331

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#90255p3770 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Stewart & Stevenson Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: SSSS), a leading manufacturer of diesel and gas turbine-powered equipment, announced that in its meeting of Sept. 11 the board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.06 a share payable Nov. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Oct. 31.

CONTACT: David R. Stewart of Stewart & Stevenson Services, 713-868-7657.

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#90255p3774 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
WHITE PLAINS, NY (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Texaco Inc. (NYSE: TX) announced today that Earl L. Johnson has been named president of Texaco Exploration and Production Company, the division responsible for Texaco's exploration, production and natural gas activities in the United States. The company also announced that Dr. William P. Doyle has been named president of the company's Middle East/Far East Division and will be elected a vice president of Texaco Inc. upon assumption of his new position. Both appointments are effective Dec. 1.

Johnson, who will continue to serve as a corporate vice president of Texaco Inc., and who will be located in Houston, Texas, succeeds Gerald F. Rome, a Texaco vice president, who is retiring from Texaco after more than 47 years with the company.

Dr. Doyle, since 1988 vice president of exploration and producing for Texaco Latin America/West Africa (LA/WA), a Texaco Inc. division, succeeds Johnson, president of Middle East/Far East (ME/FE) since 1987. Doyle will relocate from the Coral Gables offices of LA/WA to the company's worldwide headquarters in Harrison, N.Y.

In 1979, Johnson returned to Middle East responsibilities and then in 1983 was named senior vice president of the Texaco Europe Division.

Johnson was elected a vice president of Texaco Inc. in 1986 and was named president of the company's Middle East/Far East Division in January 1987. The Middle East/Far East Division is responsible for Texaco's upstream activities and units in Indonesia, the Middle East and the Pacific Basin.

Dr. Doyle was appointed deputy managing director of Texaco Limited, located in London, in 1977 and managing director there for exploration and producing in 1981. He was named vice president of exploration and producing for the Texaco Europe division of Texaco Inc. at its Harrison office in 1987, and took on his current assignment in the Latin America/West Africa Division in 1988.

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#90255p3777 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Battle Mountain Gold Company (NYSE: BMG) today announced that plant construction is well under way at its new San Luis gold mine in Costilla County, Colo.

BMG Chairman Karl E. Elers said the plant is designed to process 5,000 tons of ore per day to produce approximately 60,000 ounces of gold per year. Plant completion is expected late this year with the first gold pour early in 1991.

The company has approximately 12,150,000 tons of proven and probable gold reserves at the San Luis mine, grading .04 ounces per ton, or about 490,000 ounces of gold. Expected mine life is approximately eight years.

Gold production next year from the San Luis mine of about 50,000 ounces is expected to help the company boost its total 1991 gold output to 380,000 ounces, compared with an estimated 340,000 ounces this year.

Battle Mountain Gold common stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange, the Australian Stock Exchange Limited, the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, the Swiss Stock Exchanges and the Toronto Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Les Van Dyke of Battle Mountain Gold Company, 713-653-7248

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#90255p3779 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Mazda officially announced its 1991 line-up in a three-city preview Sept. 11-12, where it unveiled the all-new Mazda Navajo sport utility vehicle and revealed 1991 prices for its extensive line of sport cars, family sedans, minivans and trucks.

The Navajo, powered by a potent 4.0-liter V6 engine, marks Mazda's first entry into the sport utility segment. For the adventurous at heart, the two-door Navajo is comprehensively equipped and features such amenities as power windows and locks, power mirrors, power steering and rear-wheel ABS as standard equipment.

In the minivan category, 1991 brings about the introduction of a leather-trimmed special edition of Mazda's award-winning MPV multi- use vehicle. Included in the special edition are leather-trimmed seating surfaces, leather-wrapped steering wheel, an exclusive Whisper Green Mica/Prestige Silver Metallic two-tone paint treatment and forged alloy wheels.

Family Sedans. For first-time buyers, Mazda's entry-level 323 hatchback continues to offer spacious interior room and numerous standard features in 1991. Completely redesigned for the 1990 model year, the 323 is available in 323 and 323 SE grades, with all models comprehensively equipped including five-speed manual transmission, electronic multi-port fuel injection, rear window defogger, full door trim, rear package tray and locking glove box. SE models add body color bumpers, tinted glass, dual door mirrors, cloth seating and door trim, full wheel covers and

all-season tires.

Introduced in 1990, the Protege four-door sedan has set new standards in its first year for spaciousness, performance, value, and sophistication within its class. For 1991, Mazda has replaced the SE model with the new DX which includes upgraded interior appointments for classy comfort. The Protege is also available in luxurious LX and traction-enhancing 4WD models.

For family-car buyers in 1991, Mazda's popular 626 line continues to offer a diverse range of models, including a roomy four-door sedan and an extremely practical five-door with a large, easy-to-load hatchback. The four-door sedan is available in DX and upscale LX models. The five-door sedan is available in upscale LX and the sporty turbocharged GT versions.

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#90255p3781 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Fabrics and Fibers Co. and Nippon Petrochemicals Co., Ltd., of Japan announced today the formation of a joint venture for the production and marketing of a new nonwoven fabric called CLAF(TM).

The new company, headquartered in Atlanta, is called ANCI for Amoco Nisseki CLAF Inc. Company officials say that the incorportion of ANCI marks the culmination of two years of discussions between Nippon and Amoco.

"The first production line will provide total capacity of approximately 200 million square yards per year," said Frank Andrusko, chief executive officer of ANCI. "This will provide employment for about 100 people, and if this business grows as expected, additional capacity will be required. We are very excited about the market prospects for this product."

CLAF fabric was developed through a proprietary process by Nippon Petrochemicals, a subsidiary of Nippon Oil Co., Japan's largest oil company. It has been successfully marketed in Japan for the last 17 years.

"We are very pleased to have Amoco as our partner in our first joint venture outside of Asia," said Yutaka Katayama, president of Nippon Petrochemical Co., Ltd. "We are looking forward to a long and successful relationship."

According to ANCI officials, CLAF fabric offers outstanding uniformity, strength, and tear resistance, without additional bulk or weight. The fabric will be used primarily as a reinforcement to packaging materials

such as paper, plastic or foil. Amoco Fabrics and Fibers Co. will be the exclusive marketing agent for ANCI.

Atlanta-based Amoco Fabrics and Fibers Co., a subsidiary of Amoco Chemical Co., employs more than 7,000 people, primarily in Georgia and Alabama. It is a manufacturer of polypropylene industrial fabrics, fibers and yarns and carpet backings for a variety of textile-related industries.

Nippon Petrochemicals Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of Nippon Oil Co., Ltd., employs approximately 2,000 people in Japan. It is a manufacturer of polypropylene and polyethylene resins, as well as a variety of petrochemical products.

CONTACT: William L. Huntington or Richard K. Judy, both of Amoco, 404-698-2440

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#90255p3786 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Media General, Inc. (AMEX: MEG) today issued the following operations report for August.

	August 1990			Year to Date		
Division	1990	1989	Change	1990	1989	Change
Revenues (000s)	$50,800	$49,320	$1,480	406,445	$394,015	$ 12,430
Newspapers (a)	24,549	24,360	189	194,441	197,618	(3,177)
Newsprint	11,016	11,180	(164)	86,973	87,473	(500)
Broadcast	12,848	11,589	1,259	100,097	91,929	8,168
All other	2,677	3,121	(444)	27,945	22,401	5,544
Less intercompany sales	(290)	(930)	640	(3,011)	(5,406)	2,395
Newspapers Ad Revenue ($000)	$20,242	$19,606	$ 636	$159,643	$160,159	($516)
Richmond	7,275	7,389	(114)	56,963	58,495	(1,532)
Tampa	10,357	9,574	783	82,398	80,581	1,817
Winston-Salem	2,610	2,643	(33)	20,282	21,083	(801)
Newspaper Ad Inches	737,256	753,556	(16,300)	5,653,030	5,893,104	(240,074)
Richmond	297,495	307,582	(10,087)	2,259,366	2,342,077	(82,711)
Tampa	262,912	258,692	4,220	2,012,598	2,090,759	(78,161)
Winston-Salem	176,849	187,282	(10,433)	1,381,066	1,460,268	(79,202)
Newsprint Production (Tons)						
Garfield	19,046	19,627	(581)	153,619	142,495	11,124

NOTE: ALL DATA ARE SUBJECT TO LATER AUDIT ADJUSTMENTS. AD INCHES INCLUDES PART-RUN INCHES COUNTED IN TERMS OF ITS FULL-RUN EQUIVALENT. (A) 1989 AND 1990 YEAR TO DATE DATA INCLUDE RESULTS OF THE WEST COAST
WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS WHICH WERE SOLD IN APRIL 1990

CONTACT: David L. Jordan, Senior Vice President, 804-649-6280, of Media General, Inc.

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#90255p3790 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSING, MICH. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard A. Lund, chief operating officer for Cade Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CADE), announced today that its Auto-Air subsidiary has received orders for engine test cell equipment from two international airlines for a total value of $1.5 million.

THAI AIRWAYS INTERNATIONAL LTD. (BANKOK, THAILAND) Placed an order for fabrication of the Pratt & Whitney 4000 Engine test cell equipment valued at $655,000. These engines will be used on Airbus A300-600 Aircraft which have been purchased to keep pace with the rapid growth in Southeastern Asia Routes. Lund said, "This represents an initial order in the ever-growing Thailand market and further expansion into Southeast Asia by Auto-Air."

CANADIAN AIRLINES INTERNATIONAL LTD. (VANCOUVER, B.C.) Placed an order for test cell equipment to be used in monitoring engines during overhaul and is valued at $400,000. The equipment will be provided to test CFM56-5A engines which will be utilized in Airbus A320 Aircraft, a new addition to the Canadian Air Fleet.

"These two contracts, Lund concluded, provide us with continued strength in our current sales backlog now in excess of $45 million; thus, giving further impetus to Cade's major worldwide role in design, development and manufacture of high-technology composite components for the aerospace and transportation industry."

CONTACT: F.W. Bennetts or E.B. Stephens of Cade Industries, Inc., 517-394-1333

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#90255p3792 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CASS CITY, MI (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Walbro Corporation has declared a third-quarter dividend of 10 cents per share, payable Oct. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record Sept. 28, 1990. The dividend will be paid on approximately 4,289,161 shares outstanding.

Walbro Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: WALB) is a designer and manufacturer of

automotive and small engine fuel system components. Walbro is headquartered in Cass City, and has subsidiaries and joint ventures throughout the world, including the United States, Japan, Singapore, West Germany, Mexico, Korea and Hong Kong. Walbro common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol WALB.

WALBRO CORPORATION

Quarters Ended	Dividends Per Share	Shares Outstanding
Sept. 30, 1990	$0.10	4,289,161 (est.)
June 30, 1990	0.10	4,289,161
March 31, 1990	0.10	4,289,161
Dec. 31, 1989	0.10	4,289,161
Sept. 30, 1989	0.10	4,289,436
June 30, 1989	0.10	4,289,436
March 31, 1989	0.10	4,053,186

CONTACT: L.E. Althaver, Gary Vollmar or Forrest Walpole of Walbro Corporation, 517-872-2131

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#90255p3796 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways today reported that scheduled traffic last month increased 7.5 percent, from 3.147 billion revenue passenger miles to 3.383 billion, representing the highest RPM level ever recorded for any month in the company's history.

Available seat miles were up 5.1 percent, from 4.139 billion to 4.351 billion, and load factor was up 1.8 points, from 76.0 percent to 77.8 percent.

Traffic statistics include Pan American World Airways' operations only, and do not include the Pan Am Shuttle or Pan Am Express flights.

Atlantic RPMS were up 8.7 percent, ASMs were up 4.0 percent, and load factor increased 3.6 points, from 77.7 percent to 81.3 percent.

In Latin America, RPMs were up 13.8 percent, ASMs were up 13.9 percent, and load factor declined slightly, from 72.1 percent to 72.0 percent.

In U.S. domestic markets, RPMs were down 0.4 percent, ASMs were up 1.6 percent, and load factor, at 74.4 percent, was down 1.5 points.

Scheduled freight ton miles were up 5.9 percent, from 53.8 million to 57.0 million.

Year to Date For the first eight months of the year, scheduled traffic was up 10.0 percent, from 19.461 billion RPMs to 21.403

billion RPMs. Capacity was up 6.6 percent, from 30.082 billion ASMs to 32.071 billion ASMs and load factor, at 66.7 percent, showed an increase of 2.0 points.

Scheduled freight ton miles were up 0.7 percent, from 489.0 million to 492.3 million.

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#90255p3803 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (NYSE: CHV) announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $1.75 per barrel was effective yesterday, Tuesday, Sept. 11, at 7:00 a.m.

Chevron will now pay: $30.00 for West Texas Intermediate $28.00 for West Texas Sour $30.00 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E48. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Sherri Zippay, 415-894-4581; or Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440, both of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

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#90255p3805 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Express today announced to business travelers a deal they can't afford to refuse.

On Oct. 15, the Eastern Airlines subsidiary will become Florida's largest commuter airline with the opening of its Tampa hub and 12 new routes, Eastern Express president Jack E. Robinson announced today in Tampa.

The new routes will link Tampa to Tallahassee, Daytona Beach, Naples, Fort Myers, Fort Lauderdale, Key West, Jacksonville, Melbourne and West Palm Beach, with connections available to flights elsewhere in the state and the Bahamas.

The announcement packs an extra punch to Miami-based Eastern Express' previously revealed plans to begin the "Expressway," also on Oct. 15. The "Expressway" will offer hourly flights between Miami and Tampa from 7

a.m. to 8 p.m. daily -- and will be the first and only hourly service in Florida primarily for the business traveler.

Not only will Eastern Express' fares be competitive on the new routes, they will be -- unlike those of competitors -- unrestricted, with no advance-purchase requirements or penalties for last-minute changes.

The fleet of 22 aircraft will include the 35-passenger Saab 340, 19-passenger Beechcraft 1900 and 15-passenger Beech C99.

This expansion will increase Eastern Express' daily flights to 184, serving 14 Florida cities and six Bahamian desitnations -- Nassau, Freeport, Rock Sound, Governors Harbour, Marsh Harbour and Treasure Cay.

The route network will allow connections between and among key Florida and Bahamas destinations, allowing travelers to make roundtrip flights in one business day throughout the state.

CONTACT: Laura Bennett of Bennett & Co., 305-932-8000, for Eastern Express

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#90255p3806 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG GROVE, IL (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Kemper Corp. (NYSE: KEM) announced today that its management is in talks with its 39 percent stockholder, Lumbermens Mutual Casualty Co., about a long-term joint venture to sell claim and risk management services and expand Kemper's presence in these businesses.

While no binding contract yet exists, the preliminary framework being negotiated calls for Kemper Corp. to contribute to the joint venture the stock of its risk management subsidiary, National Loss Control Corp. (NATLSCO), as of Jan. 1, 1991, following a distribution to Kemper Corp. of NATLSCO's stockholders' equity. The proposed venture would also involve a 30 year agreement under which Lumbermens would commit to continue to provide claim personnel and services to NATLSCO at cost, to continue to refer business to the joint venture and not to separately compete in the claim and risk management service businesses.

Under this joint venture concept, Kemper Corp. and Lumbermens would each have equal control, although the sharing of NATLSCO's profits/losses would be phased in over the next four years. Kemper Corp.'s profit share would decrease from 100 percent in 1990 to 87 1/2 percent in 1991, 75 percent in 1992, 62 1/2 percent in 1993 and 50 percent in 1994 and thereafter. Beginning in 1991, any capital needs of the joint venture would be equally contributed by Lumbermens and Kemper Corp.

While Kemper Corp. management believes some agreement along the above lines is likely, any binding contractual arrangement would be subject to, among other conditions, negotiation of definitive agreements and approval by the boards of both companies. There is no assurance that all conditions will be met, and the negotiated structure may vary from what has been proposed.

In 1989, NATLSCO, with revenue of $74.2 million and net income of $16.1 million, accounted for 2.7 percent of Kemper Corp.'s revenue and 5.2 percent of Kemper Corp.'s consolidated net income. In the first half of 1990, NATLSCO had revenue of $39.1 million and net income of $8.0 million, and Kemper Corp. had revenue of $1.5 billion and a net loss of $72.3 million. Excluding special charges totaling $161.1 million taken in the second quarter, Kemper Corp. would have had net income of $88.8 million in the first half of 1990.

NATLSCO markets claims management, safety, health and laboratory services to companies which self insure and therefore need claims management, and to other companies' risk managers and safety directors who want to keep commercial insurance costs down while reducing injuries and accidents. NATLSCO has approximately 270 employees and also historically has utilized the services of numerous Lumbermens claim department employees at Lumbermens' claims offices nationwide. Nearly 82 percent of NATLSCO's 1989 revenue came from its claim management services, and most of these clients are insureds of Lumbermens.

Kemper Corp., a non-operating holding company, is investor owned. Major subsidiaries operate in life insurance, investment services, reinsurence and property-casualty insurance.

CONTACT: Ira Nathanson, 708-540-4463, or Janice Kalmar, 708-540-4465, both of Kemper Corp

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MIAMI (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Southeast Banking Corporation (NYSE: STB) has completed the sale to Sears Mortgage Corporation of the residential servicing portfolio and certain related assets of Southeast Mortgage Company (SEMCO). The sales price, including other related assets, was in excess of $100 million.

In making the announcement, Southeast pointed out that it will remain active on an ongoing basis in the Florida mortgage origination business, having sold its servicing portfolio, certain origination offices and other related assets of SEMCO.

The potential sale of SEMCO was originally announced in March. A

preliminary agreement was announced in June with Sears Mortgage Corporation, a subsidiary of the Coldwell Banker Real Estate Group and a business unit of Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S).

Southeast Banking Corporation is the parent company of Southeast Bank, N.A. Southeast Banking Corporation had total assets of $15.8 billion and total deposits of $12.5 billion at June 30, 1990. Southeast provides financial services from more than 230 locations throughout Florida.

Other Southeast businesses include: First National in Palm Beach, a division of Southeast Bank, N.A., providing full commercial, private banking and trust services; Southeast Bank Leasing Company, with commercial leasing and financing services; Southeast Bank Brokerage Service Inc., providing discount brokerage services; Southeast Credit Insurance Company, which reinsures credit insurance policies on loans made by Southeast Bank; and Southeast Mortgage Company.

CONTACT: Ida L. Roberts, 305-375-7278, (media) or Donae Ceja, 305-375-7981, (analysts), both of Southeast Banking Corporation

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OAK BROOK, ILL. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - GTE Airfone and COMSAT Aeronautical Services today announced the signing of a service agreement that will let airline passengers make telephone calls while flying anywhere in the world. The companies will start operating the global, satellite-based aircraft-communications system in mid-1991. Terms and conditions of the agreement were not disclosed.

Under the agreement, GTE Airfone will use COMSAT's network of ground earth stations in Southbury, Conn., and Santa Paula, Calif., to expand passenger telephone service on international flights. COMSAT will also provide the space segment through the International Maritime Satellite Organization (INMARSAT) global satellite network.

Currently, users of the GTE Airfone service can place an Airfone(R) service call while flying over the U.S. and southern Canada, including Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, or within 200 miles of the U.S. coastline. To date, more than 8 million calls have been placed by air travelers using the terrestrial-based Airfone service.

COMSAT Aeronautical Services has been constructing specially equipped ground earth stations for aeronautical communications, both data and voice since 1989. COMSAT also began handling the commissioning process for aircraft seeking approval from INMARSAT for their on-board satellite equipment (known as the Aircraft Earth Station), with the first such commissioning taking place this past August. There are several U.S., as

well as European and Asian airlines, currently making plans to equip their planes to provide both data and voice services.

Based here, GTE Airfone includes GTE Railfone, a provider of public telephone access on major AMTRAK routes. It is part of the GTE Mobile Communications Group. The group also includes GTE Mobilnet, which operates cellular systems in nine states serving 34 major metropolitan areas and five rural-service areas; and, the National Markets organization which provides nationwide cellular service.

COMSAT Aeronautical Services is a business unit of the Communications Satellite Corp. (COMSAT), headquartered in Washington. COMSAT is a publicly traded corporation that provides international, domestic, and mobile-communications and entertainment services, and conducts research on advanced communications techniques. In addition to being the largest owner and U.S. participant in the global INMARSAT system, COMSAT also represents the U.S. in the International Telecommunications Satellite Organization (INTELSAT).

CONTACT: Kevin Petschow of GTE Airfone, 708-575-1448, or after 6 p.m.: 708-612-8531, or Patricia Whalen of COMSAT, 202-863-6157; or in Washington: Julia Spicer for GTE, 202-463-5206

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DOWNERS GROVE, ILL. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - C. William Pollard, chairman and chief executive officer of ServiceMaster Limited Partnership (NYSE: SVM), and Dean L. Buntrock, chairman and chief executive officer of Waste Management, Inc., announced today that ServiceMaster and Waste Management have reached an agreement in principle for the creation of a new partnership, to which Waste Management will contribute its pest control business and the TruGreen lawn care business and to which ServiceMaster will contribute its consumer services business, including the ServiceMaster residential and commercial cleaning services; the Terminix termite and pest control businesses; the Merry Maids maid service business; and the American Home Shield home service warranty business. The name of the new partnership will be ServiceMaster Consumer Services Limited Partnership.

Waste Management will receive common equity in the partnership representing 19.9 percent of the total equity of the partnership and a preferred interest which is convertible into another 2.1 percent of the common equity of the partnership. ServiceMaster will initially hold 80.1 percent of the common equity and will hold 78 percent of the common equity if the preferred is converted. The two businesses being transferred to the partnership by Waste Management and the value of the partnership interest and convertible preferred to be received by Waste Management have

been valued in the transaction at approximately $180,000,000.

ServiceMaster is a leader in providing the services of professional cleaning, termite and pest control, maid service, lawn care, appliance and other home mechanical repair and maintenance to residential and commercial customers. These services are offered through a worldwide network of over 5,000 ServiceMaster, Terminix and Merry Maids company- owned and franchised branches, and the leading home service contract business, American Home Shield. ServiceMaster is also the leading company in the United States providing supportive management services to health care, educational and industrial facilities. These services include management of plant operations and maintenance, housekeeping/custodial services, grounds care, laundry and linen services, clinical equipment maintenance, and food service.

Waste Management, Inc. operates through more than 450 divisions and subsidiaries in the United States, Canada and a dozen countries overseas.

CONTACT: Roger N. Ervin of ServiceMaster, 708-964-1300; or Hal Gershowitz, senior vice president, or Jim Koenig, vice president and CFO, of Waste Management 708-572-8880

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#90255p3820 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

GERMANTOWN, MD. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - RYMAC Mortgage Investment Corp. (AMEX: RM) today declared a 40-cent per share dividend for the thirbcUarter of 1990 to be paid on Oct. 15 to stockholders of record on Sept. 28.

Since its formation in September 1988, RYMAC has declared eight consecutive 40-cent quarterly dividends. Representatives of management are very pleased with the outstanding performance of the portfolio, especially since it has exceeded management's initial expectations, and they are encouraged that future projections indicate that dividends in this range are likely.

Management's strategy of a self-hedged portfolio of mortgage derivatives has proven itself to be effective over a wide range of interest rate movements. This strategy was implemented by the company at the time of its initial public offering.

CONTACT: Thomas Ruck for RYMAC Mortgage Investment, 703-761-2000

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#90255p3821 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - General Re Corporation (NYSE:

GRN) announced that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.38 per share on the common stock of the corporation payable Sept. 28, 1990 to stockholders of record Sept. 24, 1990.

CONTACT: Edmond F. Rondepierre, VP, general counsel and secretary of General Re, 203-328-5000

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ST. LOUIS, MO (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of General Dynamics Corporation (NYSE: GD) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the company's common stock, payable on Nov. 16, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 16, 1990.

CONTACT: Christopher R. Schildz of General Dynamics, 314-889-8577 or 314-351-1820

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#90255p3826 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Charles G. Carson III has been named general manager of tin mill products for the USS division of USX Corp. (NYSE: X), succeeding William M. Heenan Jr., who has been elected president of the Steel Can Recycling Institute here.

The appointment of Carson was announced by Thomas C. Graham, president of USS.

Carson, a native of Dothan, Ala., and a resident of Murrysville, Pa., has served since 1988 as manager of tin mill product marketing, development and technology for USS.

"Chuck Carson has broad-based expertise in all elements of our tin mill commercial efforts -- including product technical development, marketing and promotion strategies, and the industry's increasingly successful steel can recycling campaign," said Graham. "We congratulate Bill Heenan on his election as president of the SCRI -- where he'll do a fine job in a crucial post. We at USS are fortunate to have someone as capable as Chuck Carson ready to move up as general manager of tin mill products," Graham added.

Carson earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Williams College and master's and doctorate degrees in metallurgy from the Pennsylvania State University, where he was a United States Steel Foundation Fellow.

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and management positions. In 1985, Carson moved to USS Tin Mill Products as manager of product development.

He was next named manager of tin mill product technology and, in 1988, he was promoted to the post as manager of marketing, development and technology, which he leaves to assume his new duties as general manager.

An authority on the technology of tin mill products and production, Carson has presented numerous papers and talks on the technical and marketing aspects of that product line. He is active in a variety of trade associations, and in the domestic steel industry's steel can recycling effort.

CONTACT: R. W. Glenn of USX, 412-433-6792

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#90255p3827 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HILLSIDE, ILL. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Wallace Computer Services, Inc. (NYSE: WCS) today reported record earnings and sales for the fiscal year and fourth quarter ended July 31, 1990. Fiscal year 1990 represented the 29th consecutive year of increased earnings and sales for the company.

Net income for the 1990 fiscal year increased 7.3 percent to $39.6 million from $36.9 million in fiscal 1989. Earnings per share in the 1990 fiscal year were $1.86 compared with 1989 fiscal year earnings of $1.76, a 5.7 percent increase. Net sales for fiscal 1990 were $448.7 million, an increase of 4.6 percent from $429.0 million in the previous year.

For the 1990 fiscal fourth quarter, net income was $10.7 million, a 6.6 percent increase over 1989 fiscal fourth quarter income of $10.0 million. Earnings per share in the 1990 fiscal fourth quarter were 50 cents compared with 48 cents in the previous year's period. Sales for the 1990 fiscal fourth quarter were $112.1 million, a 2.2 percent increase over 1989 fiscal fourth quarter sales of $109.7 million.

"Fiscal 1990 was perhaps the toughest year we have been through, even though we posted our 29th consecutive year of increased sales and earnings " said Ted Dimitriou, chairman and chief executive officer of Wallace.

"Our Business Forms Division, Label Division and Wallace Press performed well although not reaching sales dollar goals. Our TOPS(R) Division and Direct Mail Division posted poor results in fiscal 1990. Results for fiscal 1990 are due to unstable paper prices, a change in the way office products are marketed and severe competitive pricing."

Wallace Computer Services, Inc. is a leader in the computer services and supply industry. The company's products and services include business

forms, commercial printing, computer hardware and software, computer labels and accessories, machine ribbons and other office products. Wallace has sales offices, and manufacturing and distribution facilities throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Michael J. Halloran of Wallace Computer Services, 708-449-8600

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CONTACT: R. W. Glenn of USX, 412-433-6792.

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#90255p3835 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Quaker Oats Company (NYSE: OAT) today announced that its board of directors declared a 11 percent increase in the quarterly common stock dividend from 35 cents to 39 cents a share. With the increased dividend, Quaker's indicated annual dividend will be raised from $1.40 to $1.56 a share.

The increased dividend will be paid Oct. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 21, 1990. This is the 24th consecutive year in which Quaker has increased its common stock dividend.

CONTACT: Ronald G. Bottrell of Quaker Oats Company, 312-222-7388

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#90255p3843 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TX (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - SEMATECH announced today the signing of a contract with Applied Materials, Inc. of Santa Clara, Calif., and National Semiconductor Corp. for an Equipment Improvement Program (EIP) to evaluate Applied Materials' blanket tungsten chemical vapor deposition (WCVD) system.

The long-term scientific study of the WCVD system will be conducted at National Semiconductor's Fairchild Research Center in Santa Clara.

Tungsten hexafluoride is the source gas used in tungsten CVD systems, and is one of the most expensive semiconductor process gases. Tungsten gas is used in deposition -- the process of depositing metals or refractories between the layers of semiconductor wafers for dielectric applications.

U.S. Rep. Norman Y. Mineta (D-Calif.), praised the development. "This is another fine example of SEMATECH's unique ability to work with the U.S. semiconductor industry to help it maintain its technological pre-eminence. It's good news for America, and good news for America's international competitiveness."

"These programs are intended to focus on existing equipment used in semiconductor manufacturing," explained Dr. Turner E. Hasty, chief operating officer of SEMATECH. "SEMATECH studies the current capabilities of selected equipment in the context of immediate and short-term needs of semiconductor manufacturers. SEMATECH then works with the equipment manufacturer to facilitate identified improvements."

"We introduced the Precision 5000 WCVD in 1989. Its selection for this program underscores the significant range of potential applications for this system," said Jim Bagley, president of Applied Materials. "We welcome this opportunity to demonstrate the system's full range of capabilities while working with SEMATECH and National Semiconductor to improve the U.S. semiconductor industry's manufacturing technology."

Klaus Feldmeier, manager of technical support, will act as Applied Materials' project manager on the EIP. He will be assisted by a full-time process engineer and other staff on a part-time basis, said Moris Kori, Applied Materials' product manager for tungsten/metal CVD. Data obtained from the EIP will be shared with SEMATECH members.

SEMATECH, a consortium of 14 American semiconductor manufacturers and the U.S. Department of Defense, has the mission of restoring U.S. semiconductor manufacturing leadership capability.

CONTACT: Joe Leguenec of SEMATECH, 512-356-3953; or Steven Taylor of Applied Materials, 408-748-5896

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#90255p3844 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIALEAH, Fla. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - S.O.I. Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: LAMP) announced higher revenues and earnings for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. Sales increased 31 percent to $8,145,291 from $6,198,340 the previous year. Net income after minority interest and taxes rose 25 percent to $347,603 (.04 share) vs. $277,413 (.03 share).

CONTACT: Donald E. Courtney of S.O.I. Industries, Inc., 305-835-2214.

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#90255p3846 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Night Flight Entertainment Inc., (OTC "Pink Sheets") announced today that it has formed a wholly owned subsidiary, Binder Communications Inc., to be run by nationally recognized producer-director Steve Binder, according to Jeff Franklin and Steve Waterman, co-chairmen of Night Flight.

Night Flight also acquired the rights to exclusively distribute certain Binder-produced and or controlled television programs.

"Night Flight's creation of Binder Communications Inc., begins to position Night Flight as an emerging growth entertainment entity," Franklin said. "Also, Binder is a major established independent player in the entertainment industry. This is our first move to build a company of established and profitable entertainment entities."

Night Flight Entertainment Inc., a public company traded in the Pink Sheets, produces television programs for network, cable and syndication. It has an existing, extensive film library containing more than 3,000 hours of programs, many of which have played in worldwide territories on broadcast and cable television including the USA Network. Night Flight will be broadcasting its current weekly two-hour late night show to more than 80 markets in the United States beginning Sept. 29, 1990.

"Night Flight is a proven winner with a proven track record," Franklin said. "We intend to acquire television and motion picture libraries, manage these programs, and secure appropriate distribution and syndication arrangements. Binder Communications is the first line on our blueprint to success."

Franklin is one of the largest independent television producers in America. He also founded American Talent International Ltd., in 1970, one of the top three concert booking agencies in the world, which he sold to International Creative Management in 1985.

Franklin has been an agent for superstars Neil Young, Bob Seger, John Cougar Mellencamp, KISS and scores of others. Franklin was also co-founder of Casablanca Records and Filmworks with Neil Bogart and Peter Guber.

Steve Binder will function as president and chief executive officer of Binder Communications Inc. Binder has produced and directed for more than 25 years. He is widely known in the entertainment industry and has won both Emmy and ACE awards. Examples of his production credits include "Pee Wee's Playhouse," "The Emmy Awards" from 1980 through 1984, several Diana Ross specials including, "Diana Ross in Central Park," and the "Elvis '68 Comeback Special."

CONTACT: Mark Phillips of Night Flight Entertainment Inc., 213-470-4550

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#90255p3848 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

OMAHA, Neb. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - America First Participating/Preferred Equity Mortgage Fund (PREP Fund) (NASDAQ: AFPFZ) announced today that holders of record as of Sept. 30, 1990, will receive a special distribution of $2 per unit on Oct. 31, 1990. This special distribution represents approximately two-thirds of the HUD insurance proceeds from the assignment of the mortgage on Casa Sandoval. Casa Sandoval, is a senior living center located in Hayward, Calif. Because this distribution will reduce the partners' capital, the annual cash distribution rate will be adjusted to $1.15 per unit, beginning with the

distribution to holders of record as of Oct. 31, 1990, payable Nov. 30, 1990.

The remaining proceeds will be used to buy back up to 100,000 units of the Fund from time to time on the OTC market, and to purchase additional GNMA securities and other short-term investments for the Fund.

CONTACT: Maurice Cox of America First Participating/Preferred Equity Mortgage Fund (PREP Fund), 402-444-1630.

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#90255p3850 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Enercorp Inc. (OTC) said today that Cine-Source Inc., an Enercorp investee company, made the following announcement on Sept. 10, 1990 which has been reproduced in part.

TEXASVILLE' PRINT DELIVERED BY CINE-SOURCE TO NELSON ENTERTAINMENT FOR SEPT. 28 COLUMBIA PICTURES RELEASE

Texasville Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cine-Source Inc. has delivered the print of "Texasville" to Nelson Entertainment, it was announced today by Cine-Source President Robert Whitmore.

The eagerly awaited sequel to Peter Bogdanovich's 1971 film, "The Last Picture Show," "Texasville" will be released nationally on Sept. 28 by Columbia Pictures. Written, directed and produced by Bogdanovich, "Texasville" reunites "Last Picture Show" stars Jeff Bridges, Cybill Shepherd, Timothy Bottoms, Randy Quaid and Cloris Leachman. Both films were based on novels by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Larry McMurtry.

Cine-Source is in development for three music-driven films: a remake of "Black Orpheus"; "Five-O" starring platinum rap musician Kool Moe Dee; and "Three-Part Harmony" starring Irene Cara.

Enercorp, is a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended and owns 237,825 shares of Cine-Source common stock.

CONTACT: Joseph W. Hovorka of Enercorp Inc., 303-290-9371.

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#90255p3862 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - American Airlines has denounced a decision announced today by the Federal Aviation Administration that grants United Airlines special scheduling privileges at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport.

American said that the FAA action is a blatant example of unlawful agency favoritism and reflects a flagrant disregard of the agency's legal obligations. American said it would immediately file suit with the U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington to overturn the decision.

Since 1969, takeoffs and landings at O'Hare, as well as at JFK, LaGuardia and Washington National, have been regulated by the FAA's High Density Slot Rules. The purpose is to reduce air traffic congestion at these airports by assigning a specific number of slots, or departure and arrival times, during designated half-hour or one-hour intervals.

The FAA's ruling gives United permission to operate at times other than when it holds slots for a period in excess of three months, beginning Oct. 1, 1990, and ending Jan. 15, 1991.

From time to time, during the past several years, the FAA has conducted meetings with all carriers serving a particular slot-controlled airport to formulate industry-wide agreements allowing all carriers certain scheduling flexibility.

"Never, before today," said American, "has the FAA unilaterally granted one carrier, and one carrier only, a special dispensation from the slot rules."

"The FAA's decision blesses a 'sweetheart' deal struck behind closed doors in August between the FAA and United and allows the Chicago-based carrier to leapfrog American's schedules at O'Hare at critical times of the day," said Anne H. McNamara, American's senior vice president and general counsel. "This outrageous action by the FAA gives United, already the dominant carrier at O'Hare, an unfair and illegal competitive advantage."

McNamara said American learned of this secret deal on Aug. 17 and objected the same day. The FAA responded by convening, on less than 24 hours' notice, an "industry" meeting in Washington on Aug. 24. At that meeting, the FAA insisted that American respond in only three and one-half days to a "proposal" from United allowing that carrier to deviate substantially from the slot rules. Further, the FAA refused to permit American or any other carrier to submit any counter-proposals.

"This discriminatory treatment of American and other carriers serving Chicago cannot be justified on any grounds," McNamara said. "While today's action by the FAA is billed as needed to deal with a supposed increase in congestion at O'Hare, it is clearly not American which has caused any problem that might exist. American's schedules are in strict compliance with the high density slot rules. It is United's which are not.

"To the extent that there is any congestion problem at O'Hare, it can be solved very easily, and lawfully, by making all carriers, and not just

United's competitors, abide by the FAA's rules," McNamara said. "If the FAA does not believe that strict compliance with its own rules works, then it should follow a lawful process to reshape those rules rather than accord privileged treatment to a single airline."

As confirmation that there has been a pre-existing private arrangement for some time between United and the FAA, American noted that United published on Aug. 27 schedules based upon the FAA, American noted that United published on Aug. 27 schedules based upon the FAA approval which it received today. On Aug. 27, American won a temporary restraining order in U.S. District Court in Fort Worth that compelled United to withdraw those schedules and substitute others that it could lawfully fly.

"Unless this decision by the FAA is vacated immediately, American will suffer severe competitive injury at O'Hare," McNamara said.

CONTACT: John Hotard of American Airlines, 817-963-2010.

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#90255p3873 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX) today announced it has sold substantially all the assets of its beverage group to a new corporation formed by Bart Brodkin, former president of the Westinghouse beverage group, institutional investors and other members of the management organization.

The sale completes a transaction announced in April. Westinghouse purchased a 15 percent interest in the new venture. Other terms were not disclosed.

Headquartered in Vernon, Calif., the beverage group consists of two divisions. The western division includes facilities and bottling franchises in southern and central California; Las Vegas; Phoenix and Tucson, Ariz.; and Albuquerque, N.M. The Caribbean division includes Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The world's largest bottler of 7-Up, the beverage group bottles and distributes a wide variety of other beverages. In addition to 7-Up, its portfolio of nationally branded trademarks includes RC Cola, A&W Root Beer Sunkist Orange and Hawaiian Punch. It also distributes Seagram's Wine Coolers, and Perrier and Evian bottled water.

The beverage group employs about 2,000 people. The new owners are expected to offer employment to all of the employees affected by the sale.

CONTACT: James P. Schmitt of Westinghouse Electric, 412-642-4642; or Maria Contreras-Sweet, 213-267-5853, or Lou Janicich, 213-267-5844,

both of Westinghouse beverage group

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SOUTHFIELD, MICH. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - D.O.C Optics Corporation (NASDAQ: DOCO) announced today the grand opening of D.O.C SportVision(TM) in Royal Oak, Mich., at the southwest corner of Woodward Avenue and 14 Mile Road.

D.O.C SportVision is a new concept in optical and sports accessories retailing created by D.O.C Optics Corporation. "It's the country's first-ever store devoted exclusively to meeting the needs of pro and amateur athletes, as well as the everyday sports enthusiast with eyewear and accessories designed to enhance performance in all sports, protect eyes from injuries and offer the latest in styles. It's unlike anything else we or any other optical retailer in this country has ever done," explained Richard S. Golden, president and chief executive officer of D.O.C Optics Corporation.

"It's always been D.O.C's history and culture to experiment with breakthrough marketing and retailing concepts that will best meet with customers' needs. D.O.C SportVision maintains that tradition by being the first store concept to completely fulfill the diverse and highly specialized eyewear needs of the sports market," Golden said.

D.O.C SportVision is expected to create a new market demand by bringing together previously fragmented groups of consumers into one product category. Three main consumer niches are expected to make up the store's customer base: (1) The serious athlete or avid sports enthusiast looking for performance, acuity and function; (2) the "trendy" consumer buying designer names and stylish or high-tech products; and (3) the "practical" buyer looking for safety and value.

D.O.C SportVision is an optical retail concept committed to improving its customers' sports vision needs by offering the most innovative products and eyecare. It is owned by Southfield-based D.O.C Optics Corporation, one of the nation's largest optical retailing chains.

D.O.C Optics Corporation's common stock is traded on the over-the- counter market, under the NASDAQ symbol DOCO. Systemwide sales for 1989 were $49,512,000, the highest ever achieved by D.O.C Optics Corporation.

CONTACT: Judy Rawlins of D.O.C Optics Corporation, 313-354-7100, ext. 2229; or Barbara Palazzolo, APR, of Brogan & Partners, 313-353-9160, for D.O.C Optics Corporation

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - QVC Network Inc. (NASDAQ: QVCN), has announced that Emmy Award-winning television personality Joan Rivers has selected the QVC cable shopping channel to launch her new line of fashion jewelry.

The announcement was made at a press conference yesterday at New York's Plaza Hotel.

In making the announcement, Rivers said, "I think QVC is a wonderful way for people to shop for great products at terrific prices. I know, because I've shopped with QVC myself and I love it."

According to Joseph M. Segel, QVC chairman and chief executive officer, the Joan Rivers Classics Collection of fine fashion jewelry will be personally introduced by Rivers during a special, three-hour QVC program to be broadcast on Saturday, Sept. 29, from 9 p.m. to midnight, Eastern time (6-9 p.m., Pacific time).

"We're very happy that Joan Rivers has chosen QVC to launch her wonderful jewelry collection," Segel said. "We think her selection of QVC says a lot about televised shopping as a retailing force...and about QVC's position as America's premier cable shopping channel."

Rivers added, "I'm especially excited about introducing my jewelry collection on QVC because I can introduce it myself, in my own words, to women all over America."

The QVC shopping channel is broadcast live, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. QVC currently reaches more than 34 million cable homes as well as nearly 3 million satellite dish owners across the entire United States, from Hawaii to the Caribbean.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Magnetech Corporation (NASDAQ: TAPE) announced sales and earnings for their fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. Revenues were $2,475,719 vs. $1,294,199 at June 30, 1989 and net earnings were $231,308 vs. $205,527 (.01 share both years). Jack Brown, president said that all expenses associated with their move into new and larger facilities and the installation of additional equipment were charged and accounted for in the June 30 fiscal numbers. He also confirmed that orders on hand were at record levels.

CONTACT: Donald E. Courtney of Magnetech Corporation, 305-835-2214

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SCARBOROUGH, ME (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Hannaford Bros. Co. (NYSE: HRD), Northern New England's largest food retailer, reported today that its sales and other revenues for the four weeks ended Aug. 25, 1990, were $138,278,000, an increase of 12.2 percent over the $123,226,000 for the same period a year ago.

Sales and other revenues for the 34 weeks ended Aug. 25, 1990, were $1,090,358,000, up 12.8 percent over the $966,846,000 achieved during the first 34 weeks of 1989.

CONTACT: Charles H. Crockett of Hannaford Bros. Co., 207-883-2911

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MIAMI (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - SafeCard Services, Incorporated (NYSE: SSI) reported record revenue for the third quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1990.

SAFECARD SERVICES, INC.

THIRD QUARTER

	Ended July 31,	
	1990	1989
Revenue	$ 35,224,000	$ 28,550,000
Net Earnings	$ 7,927,000	$ 5,783,000
Earnings per Share (A)	$.26	$.20
Average Shares	29,999,000	28,253,000

NINE MONTHS

	Ended July 31,	
	1990	1989
Revenue	$ 98,614,000	$ 85,166,000
Net Earnings (B)	$ 19,577,000	$ 18,663,000
Earnings per Share (A):		
Primary	$.68	$.61
Fully Diluted	$.65	--
Average Shares	29,134,000	30,646,000

(A) -- Fully diluted earnings per share are not presented for the third quarters of fiscals 1990 and 1989 and for the nine months of fiscal 1989 because the amounts would be the same as primary earnings per share.

(B) -- Nine months of fiscal 1989 include a pre-tax gain of $1,950,000 from a litigation settlement.

CONTACT: Peter Halmos of SafeCard Services, Inc., 305-776-2501

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ATLANTA, (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Contel Corp. (NYSE: CTC) today announced that it has signed a letter of intent to sell its Contel Office Communications subsidiary to OPUS Telecom Corp.

Terms of the proposed sale were not disclosed. Contel in June announced it had engaged Atlanta-based Focus Associates Inc. to seek a buyer for Contel Office communications, a subsidiary that serves more than 1,100 customers with more than 50,000 lines in 14 major metropolitan areas. Contel Office Communications is the largest provider of shared telecommunications services to tenants of high-rise office buildings and is a leading manager of customer-owned telecommunications systems.

OPUS Telecom Corp. is a privately held Atlanta-based firm that provides facilities management of telecommunications products and systems for medium and large business customers located primarily in the Southeast U.S.

The proposed sale is subject to the negotiation and execution of a definitive purchase agreement, expected by mid-October, and review by state and federal regulatory agencies. The transaction is expected to close by year-end 1990. No material effect on Contel's consolidated financial results is expected.

Contel, a company with more than $3 billion in revenues and sales, provides a broad range of telecommunications products and services.

CONTACT: Brian Farley of Contel Corp., 404-391-8217 or Charles McNamee of OPUS Telecom, 404-859-9020

-30- 1641

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VOORHEES, N.J. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Glendale Bancorporation (NASDAQ-NMS: GNBC), the holding company of Glendale National Bank of New Jersey and Glendale Bank of Pennsylvania, today declared a cash dividend of $.10 per share to shareholders of record as of Sept. 24, 1990, with a payable date of Sept. 28.

CONTACT: Diane C. Strang, executive vice president of Glendale Bancorporation, 609-346-8400

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#90255p3909 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Enron Oil & Gas Co.'s (NYSE: EOG) board of directors today declared a regular third-quarter dividend of five cents per share on the company's common stock, payable Oct. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Oct. 15, 1990. The indicated annual rate is 20 cents.

Enron Oil & Gas Co. is one of the largest independent (non-integrated) oil and gas companies in the United States in terms of domestic proved reserves. The company's reserve base is 91 percent domestic and 91 percent natural gas. Enron Oil & Gas is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and is traded under the ticker symbol, "EOG."

CONTACT: Diane Bazelides, 713-853-6285; or E.P. Segner, 713-853-5299, both of Enron Oil & Gas Co.

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#90255p3910 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
RICHMOND, VA. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Media General, Incorporated (AMEX: MEG) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.11 per share on common stock payable Dec. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 14.

Media General is diversified communications company with newspapers, broadcast, cable, newsprint manufacturing, and related operations.

CONTACT: John Stewart Bryan III, chairman and president of Media General 804-649-6000

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#90255p3915 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
PORTLAND, OR. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - NERCO Inc.'s (NYSE: NER) board of directors today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 16 cents per share, payable Nov. 15 to shareholders of record on Oct. 31.

NERCO is one of the leading U.S. and North American producers of coal, gas oil, gold and silver. Approximately 82 percent of NERCO's common stock is indirectly owned by PacifiCorp (NYSE: PPW), a diversified electric utility.

CONTACT: Robert S. Hess, 503-731-6678, or Richard T. O'Brien, 503-731-6732, both of NERCO Inc.

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#90255p3916 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OHIO (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T and TRZ Sports Services, Inc. announced today the introduction of TRZ's Telephone Broadcast Service, an 800 telephone number service that allows fans to listen to live play-by-play radio broadcasts of 30 college and 22 NFL football teams' games during the 1990 season.

TRZ's Telephone Broadcast Service is an interactive voice response service that uses AT&T CONVERSANT(r) 2 Systems technology in conjunction with AT&T 800 service. Through this innovative service, fans dial the specific AT&T 800 number for their favorite team on a touch-tone phone, enter their Visa or Mastercard number and expiration date and are connected to a live broadcast of their team's game from anywhere in the United States or Canada exclusively on the AT&T long distance network.

This past weekend, TRZ handled calls for 26 college games and 17 NFL games during opening of the NFL season. The response to this service was excellent.

TRZ provides the 800 service while fans are billed from 20 cents to 50 cents per minute for the service. Using a declining rate card, fans pay less per minute the longer they listen. The cost of listening to a game for three hours will be $36.50. Fans can get the phone number for their favorite team by calling the TRZ Telephone Broadcast Service Information Line at 1-800-CALL-321 or national newspaper advertisements.

"This service attracts displaced sports fans who move away from home but remain loyal to their old teams, those who are traveling and have access to a pay phone, a car phone or a hotel phone, but have no live access to those games via radio or television," said Thomas Zawistowski, president of TRZ Sports Services, Inc.

"AT&T has been responsive and innovative in their approach to making this technology work for my business," he added. "As a result, this service has the potential to be very successful."

TRZ Sports Services, Inc. is the largest distributor of live telephone broadcast services in the country. TRZ successfully instituted this exciting telecommunications technology last spring during the 1990 National Invitational Tournament and the 1990 NHL Stanley Cup playoffs.

CONTACT: Stuart J. Vosler of AT&T, 216-328-3072; or John Lindesmith of TRZ Sports Services, Inc., 216-678-8386

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#90255p3921 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Infinite Graphics Incorporated today announced year-end results for the fiscal year ended April 30, 990.

The fiscal 1990 year-end results showed a net loss of $2,592,212 or a loss of $1.17 per share on sales of $4,603,719. This is in comparison to a net loss of $1,052,603 or 47 cents per share on sales of $6,049,122 in fiscal 1989.

Sales for the fourth quarter were $823,533 compared to $1,272,554 for the same quarter last year. The company reported a fourth quarter net loss of $1,389,804 or 63 cents per share compared to a net loss of $661,360 or 30 cents per share in the fourth quarter a year ago.

The Engineering Services Division sales increased 1 percent during fiscal 1990, paralleling the general electronics industry. Sales for the Engineering Services Division were $2,672,000 in fiscal 1990 compared to $2,647,000 in 1989. Software Systems Division sales declined 43 percent to $1,932,000 in fiscal 1990 versus $3,402,000 in 1989.

The company realized in the middle of the fiscal year that planned sales for its mechanical software on the MacIntosh platform were not going to materialize. Based upon this, the company implemented expense reductions and focused on generating more revenue from the precision graphics market by opening a sales and small production office in New Hampshire to service the Boston marketplace.

Infinite Graphics Incorporated is a total solutions precision graphics company that has served the engineering and manufacturing marketplace since 1969. Infinite Graphics develops and markets engineering graphics services and products for precision graphics and printed circuit board: manufacturing, design and testing. Headquartered in Minneapolis, the company markets its services and products in the United States, Canada, and Western Europe.

CONTACT: Lee Miller, CFO, of Infinite Graphics, 612-721-6283

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#90255p3923 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CONSHOHOCKEN, PA (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Quaker Chemical Corp. (NASDAQ: QCHM) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.115 per share, payable on Oct. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 19.

CONTACT: Karl H. Spaeth, vice president and corporate secretary of Quaker Chemical, 215-828-4250

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#90255p3931 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Entergy Corp. (NYSE: ETR) filed today a request with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) seeking further authorization to repurchase a portion of the company's common stock.

The filling, required under provisions of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, asks the SEC to grant Entergy the ability to repurchase up to 10 percent of its common stock. The 10 percent limitation would be applied to the number of shares issued and outstanding as of Oct. 31. The request seeks authority to repurchase the stock through open market or negotiated transactions, or tender offers through Dec. 31, 1992.

The requested authorization is supplemental to existing SEC authorization for stock repurchases. In 1989, Entergy requested and received SEC authorization to repurchase through Dec. 31, 1991, up to 20,458,109 shares of its outstanding common stock. Under this authorization, Entergy has repurchased over 14.8 million shares of its common stock at a total cost of nearly $295 million. These repurchases have reduced the number of shares outstanding to appoximately 189.7 million.

CONTACT: Cyril Guerrera of Entergy, 504-569-4238

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#90255p3940 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
PLEASANTVILLE, N.J. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Atlantic Energy Inc. (NYSE: ATE) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.74 per share on its common stock, payable Oct. 15, 1990, to holders of record Sept. 21.

The dividend rate is equivalent to $2.96 on an annual basis. The board of directors of Atlantic City Electric Co., the utility subsidiary of Atlantic Energy Inc., declared regular quarterly dividends on all series of its preferred stock, payable Nov. 1, 1990, to holders of record Oct. 5.

This information is not given in connection with any sale, offer for sale or a solicitation of an offer to buy any securities.

CONTACT: J.G. Salomone, 609-645-4411, or J.D. McCann, 609-645-4418, or Lois F. Jennings, 609-645-4247 all of Atlantic Energy

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#90255p3941 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
WALTHAM, MA. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - BEI Golembe Inc., a leading provider of

consulting services to banks and thrifts nationwide, announced that Robert C. Mansmann joined the firms' consulting staff as vice president.

In addition to utilizing his bank expertise in a consulting capacity, Mansmann will have responsibility for managing client relationships and business development in the New England region, according to Robert J. Listfield, managing director of BEI Golembe.

In conjunction with the announcement, Listfield stated: "As an experienced banker, Mr. Mansmann brings with him expertise in many areas including lending marketing, data processing, and correspondent banking. He will be a valuable addition to our organization as we continue to expand our client base throughout New England." Prior to joining BEI Golembe, Mansmann held positions with Mellon Bank, Shawmut Bank and Bank of New England.

BEI Golembe Inc., a subisidary of BEI Holdings, Ltd. (NSADAQ: BEIH) is a diversified consulting firm offering specialized services to banks, thrifts, credit unions and regulatory agencies. Specific areas of expertise include earnings improvement, strategic planning, mergers and acquisitions, regulatory advice, real estate services and human resource consulting. Since its inception, BEI has served over 800 financial institutions in the U.S. and abroad. BEI is headquartered in Atlanta with offices throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Robert J. Listfield, BEI Golembe managing director, 617-890-0977

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#90255p3945 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - ARCO (NYSE: ARC) announced today it has entered into an agreement with the State of Alaska resolving all major claims relating to royalty issues on ARCO's Alaskan North Slope crude oil production dating back to 1977.

Under the agreement, ARCO will pay the State $287 million. Based on a previously established reserve, the settlement will result in an after-tax charge of approximately $25 million in ARCO's 1990 third quarter.

The settlement agreement resolves all major claims regarding ARCO's North Slope oil production that were raised by the State in ongoing royalty litigation which originated in 1977 with a lawsuit against all North Slope oil producers.

In addition, the agreement provides a methodology for calculating future oil royalties on most of the company's current Alaskan North Slope leases. "This methodology is intended to reduce the potential for future conflict and provide an effective means of resolving issues," said William E. Wade Jr., vice chairman of the board of directors of ARCO Alaska Inc., a wholly owned

subsidiary of Los Angeles-based ARCO.

"As a result of the settlement negotiations, substantial progress was made not only in resolving the royalty issues in dispute, but also in promoting the development and nurturing of better communications and constructive working relationships between ARCO and the State of Alaska.

CONTACT: Albert Greenstein of ARCO, 213-486-3384

-30- 1654

#90255p3949 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T announced today it has installed public telephones at a temporary tent city at Rhein-Main Air Force Base in West Germany so service men and women stopping over on their way to the Middle East can call home.

Installation of the six telephones in a portable room is part of a contract AT&T won last spring to provide public telephones and AT&T's USADirect(R) Service to military bases in eight European countries. In addition to the six phones for the tent city, up to 18 phones will be installed elsewhere at Rhein-Main.

AT&T said it accelerated work at Rhein-Main and decided to add phones when the base became one of the main refueling stops for planes carrying Middle East-bound service personnel. Until now, callers using the public phones at Rhein-Main had to have a pocketful of German coins -- scarce among those just passing through -- making the phones virtually useless.

But the new phones are set up so service men and women hit only one button to give them instant access to USADirect Service, which directly connects the caller to an AT&T operator in the U.S., avoiding the inconvenience of using foreign coins and the language difficulties of communicating with foreign operators.

"We're delighted to give these men and women a chance to speak to loved ones during their brief stops at Rhein-Main," said Keith Springen, vice president-international, for AT&T Federal Systems. "And this couldn't have happened so fast without a great deal of cooperation between AT&T and the military people who helped get this project moving."

"Being able to call home from a tent city is something service men and women don't expect so they really appreciate it," said Lt. Col. Mike Reagan, Commander, 435th Service Squadron. "We're delighted AT&T moved so quickly to get the phones installed. Now we can offer not only a hot shower and a place to sleep, but a call home."

AT&T was awarded a three-year contract in march by the Army-Air Force Exchange

Service to establish calling centers at U.S. military installations in Germany Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium, Spain, United Kingdom, Greece and Turkey.

CONTACT: Jim McGann, 202-457-3942 or (home) 301-585-5519, or Rick Reser, 202-457-2736 or (home) 301-495-4960, both of AT&T

-30- 2497

#90255p3954 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLYMOUTH MEETING, PA. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Charter Power Systems Inc. (AMEX: CHP) has announced that net income for its second fiscal quarter, ended July 31, 1990, rose 84 percent to a record $1,372,000 or 24 cents a share, from $744,000 or 13 cents a share, earned in the second quarter of 1989.

Sales for the period increased 6 percent to a record $42.6 million from $40 million in the prior year.

"Although slow economic activity is affecting the industries we serve, technical manufacturing improvements, production and purchasing efficiencies, targeted marketing and sales successes and changes in late 1989 to a new debt structure, all implemented by management, have helped produce the improved results for Charter Power," stated Robert Alvine, the company's chairman and chief executive officer.

For the six months, net income rose 95 percent to a record $2,714,000 or 48 cents a share, up from $1,395,000 or 25 cents a share, compared to the same period in the previous year. Sales for the first half of the fiscal year were a record $83.1 million, 5 percent higher than sales of $79.5 million reported in the first six months of last year.

"The foundation for this strong performance was higher standby power sales for both the three- and six-month periods, coupled with a second quarter increase in motive power sales that offset a decline in the first quarter. Our standby power results were even more impressive, because they were achieved despite our continuing to provide for rebates against current sales as a result of the Round Cell contract extension terms still under discussion with AT&T," Alvine said.

The company's net cash flows provided by operating activities for the six months ended July 31, 1990, were $6,852,000, down moderately from the record performance in the same period a year ago. For the seventh consecutive quarter, long-term debt was reduced, reaching a record low of $43,058,000. This combined with more favorable terms negotiated last year and lower rates, lowered the company's interest expense by 28 percent to $1,115,000 from $1,549,000 during the same period last year.

"Increasing overall economic weakness in the U.S. and Canadian economies is expected to affect second half results, but our enhanced operational

effectiveness should mitigate the impact of this weakness on the company's performance," added Alvine.

CONTACT: Donald L. Nevins Jr. (financial), 215-834-7334, or Robert Schechter (shareholders), 212-421-3125, both of Charter Power Systems

-30- 2741

#90255p3955 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLYMOUTH, MINN. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - In Home Health, Inc. (NASDAQ: IHHI) today announced that the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy has granted the company's request for a provisional pharmacy license. This will allow the company to provide pharmacy services for home infusion therapies. The infusion pharmacy will be located in the same building as the company's Tempe, Ariz., branch and is expected to begin serving patients around Oct. 15, 1990.

As a result of the growth and expansion in the Phoenix market during fiscal 1990, the company plans to open a second office located in the west area of Phoenix on Oct. 1, making it the 10th branch of In Home Health, Inc. The Tempe branch became the company's largest during fiscal 1990, growing from $700,000 in revenue in fiscal 1988 to over $3.5 million in revenue in fiscal 1990. The new infusion pharmacy will serve both the Tempe and west Phoenix branches.

Richard Smith, MS, RPh will become general manager-Infusion for the Phoenix and Tempe branches effective Sept. 17, 1990. His initial responsibilities will include assisting with the initial pharmacy setup and sales and marketing of infusion services in the Phoenix-Tempe market.

Smith comes to In Home Health, Inc. with more than eight years experience in the management and supervision of a local hospital pharmacy. He started that hospital's infusion team, which is comprised of pharmacist and nurses and has become a model for other hospitals.

Smith has a bachelor of science degree in pharmacy and a masters degree in hospital pharmacy from the University of Arizona, Tucson. He is a member of the American Society of Hospital Pharmacists, the American Pharmaceutical Association, the Arizona Pharmaceutical Association and a fellow of the American Association of Consultive Pharmacists.

In Home Health, Inc. provides quality home health care to people of all ages in their own homes. Home health care is currently a $12 billion industry in the United States and is expected to grow to $30 billion by the mid 1990s.

CONTACT: Judy Figge or Pat Platto of In Home Health, 612-545-0102

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#90255p3966 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - American Real Estate Partners, L.P. (NYSE: ACP) today announced that it has declared its regular quarterly distribution of 50 cents per depositary unit. The distribution is payable on Nov. 15, 1990 to holders of record as of the close of business on Sept. 28. Distribution of 50 cents per unit have been paid each quarter since the formation of the partnership.

American Real Estate Partners, L.P. is a master limited partnership engaged in acquiring and managing real estate with a primary focus on office, retail and industrial properties.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Finn, senior vice president, 212-353-7775, or Patricia S. Bennett, 212-353-6207, both of American Real Estate Partners

-30- 898

#90255p3967 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of J.C. Penney Co. Inc., the major department store and catalog retailer, declared today the regular quarterly dividend of 66 cents per share on the company's outstanding common stock payable Thursday, Nov. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business Wednesday, Oct. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: J. Duncan Muir of J. C. Penney Co., 214-591-1329

-30- 571

#90255p3970 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
LA JOLLA, CALIF. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Agouron Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ: AGPH) reported that David Henry, Ph.D., has resigned his post as vice president and director of research to pursue other interests.

Agouron Pharmaceuticals Inc., based in La Jolla, is developing new drugs to treat a number of major diseases including cancer and AIDS. Using and advanced technology called "three-dimensional, protein structure-based drug design," the company's scientists design drugs to interact specifically with proteins that play key roles in human disease.

CONTACT: Peter Johnson, president of Agouron Pharmaceuticals Inc., 619-535-5500, or Susan Noonan or Anthony J. Russo, Ph.D., both of Noonan/Russo Communications Inc., 212-979-9180, for Agouron Pharmaceuticals Inc.

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#90255p3973 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
GARDENA, CALIF. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - American Honda Motor Co. Inc. has

announced prices for its 1991 Honda Automobile Division.

Manufacturer's suggested retail prices for Honda's 1991 line-up of Accord, Civic, Prelude and CRX automobiles reflect an average increase of 1.0 percent or $140 per car.

Prices for 1991 Honda automobiles start at $6,895 for the standard Civic 3-door Hatchback. The CRX line of 2 passenger coupes starts at $9,145 for the fuel-efficient CRX HF, and ranges to $11,130 for the sporty CRS Si.

The 1991 Accord line-up starts at $12,345 for an Accord 2-door Coupe DX with 5 speed manual transmission, to $17,545 for an Accord 4-door Sedan EX with 4-speed automatic transmission. The Prelude line of sporty coupes starts at $14,945 for the Prelude 2.0 Si with 5-speed manual transmission, and runs to $19,450 for the Prelude Si 4-speed automatic equipped with the Anti-Lock Braking Option Package.

CONTACT: Kurt Antonius, 213-604-2584, or Bob Butorac, 213-604-2844, of American Honda

-30- 1170

#90255p3975 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Ronald A. Cass, chairman of Hospital Staffing Services, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HSSI), today announced that the company's recently acquired home healthcare operation, Alternative Care Medical Services, is experiencing strong growth in its key Florida market. Cass noted that the division, which had annualized sales of approximately $27 million when acquired in July of 1990, is projected to contribute in excess of $35 million to Hospital Staffing Services' revenues in fiscal year 1991. Cass further stated that he expects Alternative Care Medical Services to make a strong positive contribution to the company's profits during fiscal 1991.

Alternative Care Medical Services' strong growth is due, in large part, to significant increases in activity at the division's three South Florida home healthcare offices. Skilled visits from the three offices combined now total approximately 12,000 visits per month, as compared to less than 1,000 visits at the time of the division's acquisition. This unusually rapid increase in activity is largely attributable to a tremendous rise in the amount of Medicare business conducted by each of these offices, which stems from Hospital Staffing's long term position in and familiarity with the South Florida healthcare market.

Hospital Staffing Services also announced that it recently signed an agreement with the Pacific Health Alliance (PHA), an association of approximately 30 member hospitals in Northern California, whereby the company will serve as the primary supplier of local supplemental nurse staffing to PHA member hospitals. In order to meet the current and projected demand, Hospital Staffing has

already opened a new staffing office in Sacramento, Calif. and plans to open an office in San Jose, Calif. during September and one in Walnut Creek during November. This will bring the total number of offices in California to seven although additional offices are planned to be opened in fiscal 1991.

Commenting further, Leonard J. Cass, president of Hospital Staffing Services, said, "Alternative Care Medical Services' share of the Medicare market has increased dramatically since we acquired the division two months ago and we expect these increases to continue throughout the next year. Starting from a base of nearly zero, Medicare now accounts for a majority of the business being conducted by each of our South Florida offices. As such, we expect these three offices alone to contribute between $2.5 and $3 million to our total revenues during the five month period from July through the end of our fiscal year. Just as importantly, we were also able to quickly secure Medicare approval to be paid under its 'Periodic Interim Payment' (PIP) system which, by virtue of its bi-weekly payment cycle, materially shortens the payment cycle for Medicare related business. We anticipate substantial Medicare growth in our other Alternative Care offices in fiscal 1991, ultimately reaching 40-50 percent of Alternative Care's total revenues. In addition, it should be noted the Alternative Care Medical Services division is currently generating positive cash flow.

"The agreement we have signed with the Pacific Health Alliance," Cass continued, "actually represents two important new sources of growth for the company. First, we will be able to significantly increase our presence in the temporary nurse staffing business. Second, as we build strong relationships with each PHA member hospital, we hope to expand the home healthcare side of the business as we will be in a position to offer the same high level of care to each hospital's home-bound patients that we will be providing to their admitted patients.

In this respect, it is important to note that, in most instances, the hospital administrator who is responsible for staff relief referrals also has responsibility for home nursing referrals. Our principal thrust for fiscal 1991 will be to increase and consolidate the South Florida and California markets by our ability to present a diversified, but interrelated product offering, including local supplemental staffing, travel nurses and home healthcare services.

"Finally," Cass concluded, "we are proud to report that we have largely completed the process of automating and decentralizing the payroll and billing operations at each of Alternative Care's branch offices. In addition to significantly reducing corporate overhead, it will allow us to lower the average collection time on outstanding accounts receivable."

Hospital Staffing Services, Inc. is a leading professional recruitment and home healthcare services organization specializing in the placement of medical personnel, on a temporary, interim and permanent basis, in hospitals and other

healthcare facilities located throughout the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom; and the provision of nursing services to patients at home and in healthcare institutions through a national network of home healthcare offices.

CONTACT: Leonard J. Cass of Hospital Staffing Services, Inc., 305-771-0500; or Barry A. Rothman of Profile Communications, Inc., 305-742-2086, for Hospital Staffing Services, Inc.

-30- 5468

#90255p3980 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRISTOL, VA (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Assets of Charter Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: CHFD) totaled $918 million at June 30, 1990, as compared with $1.1 billion at June 30, 1989. The reduction in total assets is called for in the Savings Bank's Business Plan. Stockholders' equity was $31.3 million at June 30, 1990 and $38.8 million at June 30, 1989. Book value per share was $8.57 at June 30, 1990 and $10.62 at Juen 30, 1989.

Charter Federal announced a net loss of $6.6 million or $1.81 per share on 3,656,297 average shares outstanding for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, as compared with a net loss of $5.3 million or $1.44 per share on 3,653,447 average shares outstanding for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989. A net loss of $1.2 million or 32 cents per share on 3,656,297 average shares outstanding was incurred in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, while $2.7 million or 73 cents per share on 3,653,447 average shares outstanding was lost in the same quarter of fiscal 1989.

"Charter Federal's performance in fiscal 1990 was disappointing, but we are encouraged by the improvements realized in the last six months of the year over the first six months. Of the $6.6 million loss for the year, only $9,000 was lost in the last two quarters," said Chairman and Chief Executive Officer E.L. Byington, Jr. The primary causes of the fiscal 1990 loss were (a) provisions for loan losses and reserves totaling approximately $3.9 million relating mostly to the credit card portfolio which was sold in the third quarter, (b) the loss resulting from an embezzlement scheme, the discovery of which was disclosed in a news release in July 1990, and (c) the continued narrowing of the spread between cost of funds and the yield on earning assets resulting from the high level of competition in Charter Federal's market area and general economic conditions.

With regard to the embezzlement scheme, Byington said that the total aggregate amount lost was approximately $1.5 million, and that because the scheme had been carried out over a period of years, the financial statements for those years, including 1985 through 1989, had been re-stated to reflect the losses incurred through that scheme for each of those years. $450,000 of the total loss was attributed to fiscal 1990 and was recognized during the fourth quarter. "Although generally accepted accounting principles required us to

charge off this total loss as soon as it was discovered, the Board and management of Charter Federal believe strongly that the fidelity bond insurance maintained by the Savings Bank should rightly compensate it for the loss, and we are vigorously pursuing all avenues to full recovery of the loss, less the deductible," said Byington.

Charter Federal is continuing to follow the Business plan filed with the Office of Thrift Supervision ("OTS") in March 1990, although the Plan has not yet been acted on by the regulators. The Savings Bank does not presently meet the three new capital standards established by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act which became law in August 1989. The Board and management continue to be confident that, if OTS approves the Business Plan, and if general economic conditions do not radically deteriorate Charter Federal can be brought into compliance with all regulatory capital requirements by the Plan target date of December 31, 1992. The Plan calls for (a) significant reduction of operating expenses, which have declined noticeably since implementation of the Plan, (b) reduction of assets to $783 million by December 1994, (c) elimination of high cost funding, (d) restructuring of certain high cost operations for greater efficiency, and (e) obtaining an infusion of new capital. "We have made significant progress in pursuit of these goals since the inception of the Plan earlier this year, and we will continue to focus our attention on bringing those goals to full fruition," said Byington.

Charter Federal, which began operation in 1920, is a federally-chartered stock Savings Bank headquartered in Bristol, Virginia, with 34 offices throughout Southwest and Southside Virginia and the Knoxville, Tennessee area.

CHARTER FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK
AND SUBSIDIARIES
SELECTED QUARTERLY DATA
Dollars in Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Twelve Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Interest Income	$3,097	$3,163	$11,256	$15,129
Net Gain (Loss) on sale of credit cards GNMA, FHLMC, other loans and marketable equity securities	526	---	3,204	759
Other Income	1,657	597	4,019	3,785
Other expense	6,459	6,408	25,117	24,940
Net Income (Loss)	$(1,179)	$(2,648)	$(6,638)	$(5,267)
Net Income (Loss) Per Share	$(.32)	$(.73)	$(1.81)	$(1.44)
Average Number of				

Common Shares Outstanding	3,656,297	3,653,447	3,656,297	3,653,447

CHARTER FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK
AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
(Dollars in Thousands)

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
ASSETS		
Cash:		
Interest bearing	$10,002	$ 5,812
Noninterest bearing	14,780	15,298
Federal funds sold	9,850	16,828
Investment securities	103,603	107,089
Investment in joint venture	2,959	2,286
Loans receivable, net and mortgage-backed certificates	675,025	835,508
Direct finance leases	25,781	--
Office properties and equipment, net	7,368	8,536
Real estate owned, net	8,392	8,957
Cost in excess of fair value of net assets acquired	48,244	50,885
Prepaid and other assets	12,316	12,093
Total Assets	$ 918,320	$1,063,292
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Liabilities:		
Savings deposits	$664,768	$782,826
Short-term borrowings	106,890	142,908
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	1,325	1,959
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	7,905	5,341
Checks outstanding on disbursement account	6,111	6,422
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank and other borrowings	100,000	85,000
Total Liabilities	$886,999	$1,024,456
Stockholders' Equity:		
Preferred stock	$ ---	$ ---
Common stock	37	37
Additional paid-in capital	9,475	9,475
Retained earnings	26,443	33,081
Net unrealized loss on marketable equity securities	(4,584)	(3,707)
	$31,371	$38,886
Less cost of treasury stock	50	50
Total Stockholders Equity	$31,321	$38,836
total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	$918,320	$1,063,292

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#90255p4001 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MI (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Dennis J. Gormley, chairman and chief executive officer of Federal-Mogul Corporation (NYSE: FMO), today announced the company has acquired a 50-percent interest in Glyco AG for an undisclosed amount. Glyco is a privately held manufacturer of automotive and diesel engine bearings headquartered in Wiesbaden, West Germany. Federal-Mogul is also continuing its discussion for purchase of the balance of the outstanding shares of Glyco.

"This investment continues our announced program of seeking business opportunities and relationships in Europe," Gormley said. "This alliance will broaden the global technological and product offering base of both Glyco and Federal-Mogul."

Headquartered in Southfield, Federal-Mogul operates 37 plants, more than 70 distribution centers and four major research facilities throughout the world. Its products range from a variety of precision parts for the transportation, farm equipment, construction and manufacturing industries to aerospace components.

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#90255p4013 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Profit Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: PRTE) has extended the expiration date of its Class B common stock purchase warrants until 5 p.m. on March 12, 1991. The company has also reduced the exercise price of those warrants to $3.50, subject to future adjustments as provided in the governing warrant agreement. Without the extension, the Class B warrants would have expired today at 5 p.m.

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#90255p4016 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Workingmens Corporation (NASDAQ: WCBK), the parent company of Workingmens Cooperative Bank, today announced results and related financial data for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990. The corporation reported a loss of $7.7 million or $6.42 per share, compared to earnings of $195,000 or 16 cents per share for the same period last year.

The loss for the quarter is due primarily to an increase in provision for possible loan losses by the corporation's subsidiary, Workingmens Cooperative Bank, and writedowns and losses on other real estate owned and acquisition, development and construction loans which amounted to $8.0 million for the quarter. Real estate owned totaled $9.1 million and non-performing loans were $13.5 million at July 31, 1990.

President and Chief Executive Officer John E. McDonald, said, "The additional reserves and writedowns were taken as a result of the continuing review by management of our construction, residential and commercial real estate loan portfolio, our acquisition, development and construction loans and our real estate owned."

"The primary focus of our efforts will continue to be towards the resolution of our non-performing loans and real estate owned. Although we are working diligently to improve the bank's performance, the timely and successful disposition of properties will be dependent upon market conditions which are beyond our control," said McDonald.

Consolidated assets of Workingmens Corporation were $241.7 million on July 31, 1990, as compared to $248.1 million at April 30, 1990. The book value per share was $11.04.

Workingmens Corporation is the holding company for Workingmens Cooperative Bank, a Massachusetts chartered co-operative bank with five offices in Greater Boston. The bank's deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and the Share Insurance Fund (SIF) of the Co-operative Central Bank.

Workingmens Corporation is traded in the NASDAQ system under the symbol WCBK.

WORKINGMENS CORPORATION
Selected Consolidated Financial and Statistical Data
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	At July 31, 1990	At April 30, 1990
	(unaudited) FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS	
Total Assets	$241,664	$248,065
Stockholders' equity	$13,253	20,932
Stockholders' equity as a percent of assets	5.48 pct.	8.44 pct.

	Quarter ended July 31, 1990	1989
	(Unaudited)	
Net income (loss)	$(7,703)	$195
Earnings (loss) per		

share	(6.42)	16 cents
Annualized return (loss) on average assets	(12.56 pct.)	0.30 pct.
Annualized return (loss) on average equity	(166.34 pct.)	3.12 pct.
Interest rate spread	2.01 pct.	2.54 pct.
Net yield on average earning assets	2.00 pct.	2.82 pct.
Net interest margin to operating expenses	51.00 pct.	86.61 pct.
OPERATING DATA		
Interest and dividend income	$5,315	$6,350
Interest expense	4,216	4,642
Net interest income	1,099	1,708
Provision for possible loan losses	(5,675)	(250)
Net gain (loss) on sale of mortgage loans	(11)	165
Loan servicing fees	186	127
Net gain on sale of securities	--	304
Write-down of other real estate owned and acquisition, development and construction loans	(2,361)	--
Gain on sale of other real estate owned, net	50	--
Other non-interest income	114	91
Non interest expense	(2,155)	(1,972)
Income (loss) before income taxes	(8,753)	173
Benefit for income taxes	(1,050)	(22)
Net income (loss)	$(7,703)	$195

CONTACT: Kevin J. McGillicuddy, chief operating officer of
Workingmens Corp., 617-451-1000

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#90255p4032 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, IDAHO (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - William J. Agee, president, chairman and chief executive officer of Morrison Knudsen Corp. (MK) (NYSE: MRN) today announced that MK has acquired CF Systems Corp., a Boston-based advanced environmental technology firm.

MK purchased CF Systems from Arthur D. Little Inc., Environmental Systems Co. and 17 individual stockholders.

Agee said that CF Systems has developed several technologies for reduction and remediation of hazardous wastes. "This acquisition affords MK the capability of significantly expanding our already major involvement in serving the hazardous waste industry through our Environmental Services Group," Agee said.

The uniqueness of CF Systems' primary technology is the ability to extract harmful contaminants and recycle other products, such as water, oil or grease, back to the manufacturing or refining process by a totally enclosed solvent extraction system operating at ambient temperature.

EPA has designated the solvent extraction system as an acceptable Best Developed Available Technology (BDAT) for remediation of petroleum sludges.

Morrison Knudsen Corp. is an international engineering, design, environmental, construction, rail systems and mining company.

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#90255p4034 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, N.J. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Liposome Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: LIPO) announced today the appointment of James G. Andress to its board of directors. Andress is the former chairman of the pharmaceuticals group, Beecham Group, Plc and the former president and chief operating officer of Sterling Drug, Inc. He fills a new board seat created through the expansion of the current board from seven to eight members.

Andress began his pharmaceutical career at Abbott Laboratories, Inc., in 1974. During his ten years with the company, he held several positions which included responsibility for the Canadian and the Pacific & Far East operations. He became president, Home Health Care Division in 1981. Andress served as president and chief operating officer for Sterling Drug, Inc. from 1984 to 1988. He left Sterling after its acquisition by Eastern Kodak Co., Inc. to become chairman, pharmaceuticals, of the Beechman Group, Plc (United Kingdom).

Andress currently serves as president and chief executive officer of Information Resources, Inc., a consumer products marketing research company. He also serves as a director for Genelabs, Inc., Redwood, Calif., a biotechnology company.

"Jim Andress is an extremely valuable addition to our board of directors," commented Charles A. Baker, chairman of the board of The Liposome Company. "Two of our key objectives are making the transition into a fully integrated

pharmaceutical company and the formation of corporate alliances with major pharmaceutical companies. With Jim's knowledge of all aspects of the business and his contacts throughout the pharmaceutical industry, we expect that he will be a real help to us in meeting these objectives."

Earlier this year, The Liposome Company announced the appointment of Dr. Horst Witzel, former chairman of the board of executive directors of Schering AG, Berlin (West Germany) to its board.

The largest company dedicated exclusively to the development of liposome-based pharmaceuticals, The Liposome Company is primarily focused on developing advanced liposomal drugs for the treatment of cancer and serious infectious diseases.

CONTACT: Anne Van Lent, senior vice president of the Liposome Company, 609-452-7060, or Claudia Mueller or Anthony J. Russo, of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for the Liposome Company

-30- 2559

#90255p4038 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

RIVERWOODS, ILL. (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears Mortgage Corp. (SMC) announced today that it has acquired the $6.7 billion residential mortgage servicing portfolio of Southeast Mortgage Co. (SEMCO) and five of SEMCO's loan origination offices in Florida. Pursuant to a formula agreed upon by the parties, the purchase price for the SEMCO assets will result in a payment in excess of $100 million.

The five Florida loan origination offices are located in Ft. Lauderdale, Ft. Myers, Jacksonville, Kendall/Miami and Lake Worth (West Palm Beach). Prior to the acquisition, SMC had nine loan origination offices in Florida. Some 28 SEMCO loan officers will also move to SMC as part of the acquisition.

Additionally, beginning Nov. 1, SMC will operate a servicing facility in the SEMCO headquarters building in Miami. It will be staffed by approximately 25 former SEMCO employees who will provide collection and customer service functions for the combined Florida and Georgia SMC mortgage loan servicing portfolio, a total of some 83,000 loans.

Each SMC office will offer a complete line of conventional, FHA and VA mortgage loans, including 15- and 30-year fixed rate as well as adjustable loans. Jumbo loans will also be offered.

SMC offices will offer a variety of mortgage loan programs, including: ApprovalFirst(SM), which provides the home shopper with approval for a specific monthly home payment before house hunting; Sears National Accelerated Processing (SNAP), which guarantees 14-day processing on conventional loans, given certain documentation; and a personalized computer analysis to compare

mortgage options.

In explaining the acquisition, SMC Chairman and President Walter C. Klein, Jr. said, "Florida is one of the fastest growing residential areas in the country. This acquisition will allow SMC to extend our quality service to many more customers."

Klein explained that "The acquisition is consistent with our strategic plan to reinforce the Coldwell Banker Real Estate Group and the Sears, Roebuck and Co. commitment to building SMC as an industry leader, not only in mortgage loan production, but in mortgage loan servicing as well."

With the acquisition, SMC's portfolio will include more than 190,000 mortgage loans totaling nearly $14 billion, and the company's network of branches in 33 states will include 100 retail mortgage origination locations.

Sears Mortgage Corp., based in Riverwoods, Ill., is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Coldwell Banker Real Estate Group and a business unit of Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S).

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#90255p4039 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Maxwell, chairman of Maxwell Communications, today issued the following statement at the annual general meeting held in the rotunda, Mirror Building, Holborn, London, ECIM 2NE on Wednesday Sept. 12, 1990.

At a well attended meeting of shareholders all resolutions were passed nem. com., and Maxwell speaking to shareholders on currant trading and prospects for the group including what measures the group plans in connection with reducing its present high level of gearing said:

"The company is in excellent health. Less than two months ago in my annual report to shareholders I was able to confirm:

"1. The successful restructuring of debt at interest rates of less than 10 percent and capped.

"2. The early repayment of $575 million of our short-term debt had already taken place.

"3. Our intention to further reduce the debt by sales of non- strategic businesses to the value of $800 million and surplus property to the value of

$150 million.

"I can now confirm that negotiations are well advanced in a number of transactions involving the disposal of non-strategic businesses which we expect to complete very shortly. We shall also shortly by repaying some $400 million of the remaining short term facility provided by our syndicate banks led by Credit Lyonnais had Swiss Bank Corporation on or before its due date Oct. 23, 1990.

"We do not enjoy being a highly leveraged business. We want to get back to being as we always have been, an equity led business.

"Over the last 18 months our achievements have been the successful acquisitions of Macmillan and OAG which have transformed this company from one where in 1988 it derived 2/3 of sales from printing to now being acknowledged amongst the world's top international publishers which has transformed the quality of earnings that MCC now enjoys.

"This has been strongly confirmed in our current trading position. "Our publishing and professional information operations are continuing to trade strongly particularly in North America which businesses now represent over 80 percent of our sales and assets and where profits from these operations are ahead of budget.

"This strength reflects the fact that we derive less than 10 percent of our revenues from businesses dependent on advertising which explains why we are 'bucking the trend' which is affecting many other publishers and provides support to our contention that Maxwell Communications now has arguably the finest quality of businesses in the publishing and professional information services industry.

"We are very confident that the fast changing international environment will present new opportunities to our existing businesses whose managers have the requisite skills and often unique experience to capitalize on these opportunities for the benefit of both shareholders and employees.

"My board and I are determined to bring down the gearing of this company of one to one or below just as quickly as possible and we are confident of being able to do so."

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#90255p4059 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Lancaster Colony Corporation (NASDAQ: LANC) today reported record annual net sales with net sales for the year ended

June 30, 1990 totaling $504.9 million, a three percent increase over the fiscal 1989 total of $492.2 million. The 1990 net earnings of the company, which were impacted by a pretax litigation charge of $6,750,000, declined to $16,050,000 or $1.36 per share compared to $21,911,000 or $1.81 per share for fiscal 1989. Operating income of the company in fiscal 1990, however, showed improvement over fiscal 1989.

The litigation charge arose from a Sept. 11, 1990 ruling issued by the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals in Washington, D.C., involving patent litigation matters. The company is uncertain as to what further avenues of appeal, if any, it may pursue beyond this point. John B. Gerlach, president of Lancaster Colony, stated that the products which were the subject of the litigation are not significant to the company's ongoing business.

The results for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990 reflected a sales decrease of two percent compared to the quarter ended June 30, 1989 as current quarter sales totaled $126.2 million compared to $128.4 million a year ago. The current quarter results also include the litigation charge with net income for the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter amounting to $542,000 or $.05 per share vs. $6,226,000 or $.52 per share in the fiscal 1989 fourth quarter. Fourth quarter results were also adversely impacted by certain charges incurred to settle examinations of prior year tax returns.

LANCASTER COLONY CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY OF SALES AND EARNINGS

	Year Ended June 30,	
	1990 (B)	1989
Net sales	$504,945,000	$492,174,000
Income before income taxes	$ 27,637,000	$ 35,076,000
Provision for income taxes	$ 11,587,000	$ 13,165,000
Net income	$ 16,050,000	$ 21,911,000
Earnings per common share (A)	$1.36	$1.81
Cash dividends per common share	$ .75	$ .71
Weighted average common shares outstanding	11,835,442	12,119,795

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	1990 (B)	1989
Net sales.....	$126,154,000	$128,418,000
Income before income taxes.....	$ 2,330,000	$ 9,803,000
Provision for income taxes.....	$ 1,788,000	$ 3,577,000
Net income.....	$ 542,000	$ 6,226,000
Earnings per common share (a).....	$ .05	$ .52
Cash dividends per common share...	$ .19	$ .18
Weighted average common shares outstanding.....	11,671,874	11,896,671

(A) -- Based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding

during each period.
(B) -- Includes pretax litigation charge of $6,750,000.

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#90255p4062 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
SEATTLE (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Carol R. Sanders has been named manager of real estate services for Univar Corp. (NYSE, PSE: UVX), the nation's largest chemical distributor, the company said today. Sanders will have primary responsibility for the purchase, sale and leasing of real estate for the company.

Sanders brings to the company a wide variety of experience in real estate and environmental law. Prior to joining Univar, she was in the real estate department of the law firm of Preston Thorgrimson Shidler Gates & Ellis. Prior to that, she worked for the Port of Seattle, where she was general counsel and subsequently managed marine real estate transactions and supervised operation of the Shilshole Bay Marina and Fishermen's Terminal. Sanders has also worked for five years with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Sanders holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin and a J.D. degree from George Washington University. She is admitted to the bar in Washington state and the District of Columbia.

Univar Corp., headquartered in Seattle, distributes chemicals to the food, pharmaceutical, cosmetic, coatings and ink, electronics, chemical compounding and professional pest control industries through two subsidiaries, Van Waters & Rogers Inc. in the United States, and Van Waters & Rogers Ltd. in Canada.

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#90255p4064 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
RICHARDSON, TEXAS (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Hyundai Corp. of Korea, an eight billion dollar international trading company that provides products and services that include industrial plants, automobiles, machinery, ships, electronic products and telecommunications equipment, and Intelect Inc., a U.S. developer and manufacturer of voice and data communications equipment, have signed a distribution agreement.

The agreement makes Hyundai the sole authorized distributor of Intelect

products in the Republic of Korea and any other mutually agreed to country, territory or project.

The products to be distributed by Hyundai include those based upon Intelect's "Special Services Switching System"(TM) "S4"(TM) digital architecture such as conferencing systems, air defense switches, air traffic control switches and integrated services digital network switch enhancers. Data-Above-Voice transmission systems and analog switches will also be distributed.

Intelect will be training Hyundai personnel in Oct. 1990 which will be the kick-off for a major marketing effort in Korea.

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#90255p4070 09/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEVELAND (SEPT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Park Corporation, a Cleveland-based, privately held company, announced today it has signed a letter of intent to purchase Teledyne Ohio Steel, Lima, Ohio, for an undisclosed amount. The purchase will involve, in addition to the real estate and buildings, all the physical assets of the 71.4 acre facility including machinery and support equipment used in the production of iron, forged, and spin cast rolls for the steel industry. Teledyne had previously announced its decision to close the plant because of a decreasing market and declining product prices.

One of Park Corp.'s activities is industrial development, and it has long been active in the Lima, Ohio area. In 1965, Park purchased a facility from G. S. A. which, later, Park completely renovated and sold to Ex-Cell-O Corp. In 1967, Park also acquired the former Davidson Enameling facility in Lima which was renovated and subsequently sold as a continuing operation.

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#90255t1447 09/12/1990 ~ts
TYUMEN, WEST SIBERIA (SEPT. 12) TASS - A LARGE OIL DEPOSIT HAS BEEN DISCOVERED DEEP BELOW URENGOI, WHERE MORE THAN HALF OF ALL SOVIET NATURAL GAS IS EXTRACTED. THREE OIL FOUNTAINS HAVE GUSHED OUT FROM THREE-KILOMETER WELLS SUNK BY YAKOV KALAKUN'S DRILLING TEAM. THE OUTPUT OF EVERY WELL IS ABOUT ONE HUNDRED TONS A DAY.

"OUR FORECASTS ABOUT THE POTENTIAL RESERVES OF TYUMEN AREA WERE ON TARGET " CHIEF GEOLOGIST OF THE TYUMENGEOLOGIYA CONCERN ANATOLY BREKHUNTSOV SAYS. "WE ARE SURE THIS IS NOT THE LAST POOL TO BE FOUND. IT IS CONVENIENTLY LOCATED NEXT TO ALREADY TAPPED DEPOSITS AND TRANSPORT ROUTES."

"WEST SIBERIA IS VERY PROMISING AS REGARDS OIL AND GAS. COOPERATION WILL BE STARTED THERE SOON WITH FOREIGN COLLEAGUES. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE AMERICAN CONOCO FIRM ARE EXPECTED TO COME HERE SHORTLY.

"WE WILL DISCUSS WITH THEM THE POSSIBILITY OF LAUNCHING A JOINT VENTURE, INVOLVING OIL EXTRACTION. WE HAVE ALSO RECEIVED INTERESTING PROPOSALS FROM CANADA AND BRITAIN. SEVEN AREAS HAVE BEEN SELECTED IN THE NORTH OF THE REGION AND IN THE OB AREA WHERE JOINT PROSPECTING AND EXTRACTION WILL BE STARTED."

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#90255t1454 09/12/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT. 12) TASS - BY TASS CORRESPONDENTS IGOR AGABEKOV AND YURI KOZMIN:

THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT LED BY PRIME MINISTER IVAN SILAYEV TODAY BEGAN TALKS WITH THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION OF INDEPENDENT TRADE UNIONS. THE TRADE UNION DELEGATION IS LED BY FEDERATION CHAIRMAN IGOR KLOCHKOV.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT KLOCKHOV WILL DESCRIBE THE STRUCTURE, AIMS AND TASKS OF THE FEDERATION. GRIGORI YAVLENSKY, CHAIRMAN OF THE ECONOMIC REFORM COMMISSION, WILL SPEAK ABOUT MOVES TOWARDS A MARKET ECONOMY.

THE SIDES WILL DISCUSS AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE TRADE UNION FEDERATION AND THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT ON SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ISSUES FOR 1991.

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#90255t1458 09/12/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT. 12) TASS - "RAPIDLY EXPANDING TRADE AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND ITALY REQUIRE FURTHER ADJUSTMENT OF CREDIT AND FINANCIAL BACKING," PRESIDENT ROBERTO MAZZOTTA OF CARIPLO BANK, TOLD THE AUDIENCE AT THE OFFICIAL CEREMONY TO OPEN THE BANK'S PERMANENT OFFICE IN MOSCOW.

MAZZOTTA SAID THAT THE OPENING OF THE OFFICE HERALDED A NEW STAGE IN COOPERATION BETWEEN THE BANKING SYSTEMS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES.

BANKO CARIPLO IS BASED IN ITALY'S INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL CENTER, MILAN, AND RUNS 450 SUBSIDIARIES IN ITALY, LONDON, NEW YORK, PARIS, BERLIN AND OTHER WORLD CAPITALS.

MORE THAN 1,800 BANKS MAINTAIN CORRESPONDENT RELATIONS WITH CARIPLO. THE ACTIVITY OF THE ITALIAN BANK WAS HAILED BY THE BOARD CHAIRMAN OF THE USSR STATE BANK, VIKTOR GERASHCHENKO, WHO SPECIALLY NOTED THAT THE BANK BEGINS OPERATIONS ON THE SOVIET FINANCIAL MARKET AT A DIFFICULT TIME FOR THE

COUNTRY.

THE BANK'S DIRECTOR GENERAL SANDRO MOLINARI, HOWEVER, SOUNDED AN OPTIMISTIC NOTE, SAYING THAT THE OPENING OF CARIPLO'S MOSCOW HOUSE PROVIDED IT WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO ESTABLISH CORRESPONDENT RELATIONS NOT ONLY WITH THE USSR STATE BANK, AT WHICH IT IS ACCREDITED, BUT ALSO WITH MANY REPUBLICAN AND COMMERCIAL BANKS IN THE SOVIET UNION.

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MOSCOW (SEPT 12) TASS - "WITH THE SIGNING OF THIS TREATY THAT DEMONSTRATED THE GOOD WILL OF ALL PARTICIPANTS, THE UNITED GERMANY GAINS SOVEREIGNTY OVER ITS INTERNAL AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. WE PERCEIVE THIS SOVEREIGNTY AS A DUTY TO EUROPE," WEST GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTER HANS-DIETRICH GENSCHER SAID AT A JOINT NEWS CONFERENCE OF THE SIX-NATION FOREIGN MINISTERS HELD HERE UPON THE SIGNING OF A TREATY ON THE FINAL SETTLEMENT WITH RESPECT TO GERMANY.

GENSCHER EXPRESSED GRATITUDE TO THE PRESIDENTS OF THE USSR, THE UNITED STATES, FRANCE AND TO THE BRITISH PRIME MINISTER FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PROCESS.

"GERMANS WANT THEIR NEW UNITY TO SERVE PEACE," GENSCHER SAID. "IN THE TREATY THAT WE CONCLUDE, WE GERMANS AFFIRM THAT ONLY PEACE WILL EMANATE FROM GERMAN SOIL. THE UNITED GERMANY'S POLICY WILL BE DEFINED BY THE COMMITMENT TO PEACE, FORMULATED IN THE WEST GERMAN CONSTITUTION AND IN THE UNIFICATION TREATY.

"WE WILL MAKE OUR CONTRIBUTION TO PEACE AND STABILITY IN EUROPE IN THIS SPIRIT. THE STATE UNITY OF GERMANY SIGNIFIES A GREAT RESPONSIBILITY FOR US RATHER THAN A DESIRE FOR GREATER POWER," GENSCHER EMPHASISED.

"OUR COMMON TASK IS TO ESTABLISH A NEW EUROPEAN ORDER. OUR RELATIONS WITH EAST EUROPEAN NEIGHBOURS AND ESPECIALLY THE SOVIET UNION ARE ASSUMING NEW IMPORTANCE. THE BULKY TREATY THAT SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE AND I WILL INITIAL IN MOSCOW WILL SERVE ALL THE AFORESAID. THIS IS A DAY OF JOY, A DAY OF MEMORY AND GRATITUDE FOR US," GENSCHER SAID.

GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC PRIME MINISTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER LOTHAR DE MAIZIERE SAID, IN TURN: "THE GERMAN UNITY OVERWHELMS THE GDR RESIDENTS AND ME PERSONALLY WITH JOY AND SATISFACTION. THE TREATY IS AN HISTORIC DOCUMENT THAT ADDS A STONE TO THE FOUNDATION OF THE EDIFICE OF A NEW EUROPE. OVERCOMING THE DIVISION OF GERMANY HELPS ELIMINATE THE POLARIZATION OF EUROPE. TODAY, EUROPE IS ENTERING ITS AGE OF PEACEABLENESS TRUST AND GOOD NEIGHBOURLINESS."

DE MAIZIERE EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT THE FUTURE UNITED GERMANY WOULD

BEGIN DEVELOPING ITS RELATIONS WITH EAST EUROPEAN NEIGBOURS EVEN MORE INTENSIVELY.

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MOSCOW (SEPT 12) TASS - ADDRESSING A NEWS CONFERENCE HERE TODAY UPON THE COMPLETION OF THE "TWO PLUS FOUR" MEETING, U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER SAID THAT THE UNITED STATES HAD NEVER RULED OUT AND DID NOT RULE OUT NOW THE POSSIBILITY OF USING AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE TO SETTLE THE PALESTINIAN QUESTION.

ASKED IF THE FOREIGN MINISTERS NOW IN MOSCOW WERE PREPARED TO SOLVE COLLABORATIVELY THE PALESTINIAN PROBLEM AT THE UNITED NATIONS AS THE GULF CRISIS IS BEING SOLVED, BAKER NOTED THAT OVER SOME TIME IT WOULD POSSIBLY BE RIGHT TO BEGIN THIS PROCESS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE GROUP OF FIVE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL.

SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE ADDED THAT THE PALESTINIAN PROBLEM WAS DISCUSSED VERY THOROUGHLY AT THE SOVIET-U.S. WORKING SUMMIT IN HELSINKI. HE SAID THE SIDES REACHED THE UNDERSTANDING THAT ACTIVE CONSULTATIONS WOULD BE STARTED AT SOME STAGE TO ADVANCE A GLOBAL SETTLEMENT OF THE MIDDLE EASTERN PROBLEM.

SHEVARDNADZE SAID THAT THIS QUESTION WAS ALSO DISCUSSED AT TUESDAY'S MEETING WITH BAKER. ACCORDING TO SHEVARDNADZE, THEY REACHED THE CONCLUSION THAT WORK HAS TO BE INTENSIFIED BOTH ON THE BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL BASIS TO REMOVE THE DANGERS AND THREATS EXISTING IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND ACHIEVE A JUST SOLUTION TO THE PALESTINIAN QUESTION.

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MOSCOW (SEPT 12) TASS - PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV SAID ON WEDNESDAY WORK ON A COMMON PROGRAMME OF TRANSITION TO A MARKET HAD BEEN COMPLETED AND THE DOCUMENT HAD BEEN SENT TO THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT AND THE PARLIAMENTS OF UNION REPUBLICS.

IN A TELEVISED INTERVIEW, GORBACHEV SAID THE PROGRAMME IS BASED ON THE WORK OF A GROUP HEADED BY ACADEMICIAN SHATALIN. AT THE SAME TIME, HE NOTED THAT THIS IS "A DIFFERENT DOCUMENT", WHICH HAS ACCUMULATED MANY IDEAS CONTAINED IN THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAMME AND OTHER ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMMES.

THE PRESIDENT SAID THE DOCUMENT COMPRISES MANY PROPOSALS, VOICED BY UNION REPUBLICS.

THE CHOICE, WHICH IS TO BE MADE IS "NOT THE CHOICE MADE BY A MAN OR A GROUP OF MEN". IT SHOULD BE MADE BY THE WHOLE COUNTRY, THE PRESIDENT SAID.

ACCORDING TO GORBACHEV, IT WILL BE THE MOST DIFFICULT TRANSITION, COMPARED TO EVERYTHING THAT WAS DONE DURING ALL PERESTROIKA YEARS. HE NOTED TO THE NEED TO ENSURE SOCIAL PROTECTION OF THE POPULATION FROM CHALLENGES THAT IT WILL FACE ESPECIALLY ON THE FIRST STAGE OF THE TRANSITION TO A MARKET.

ASKED ABOUT HIS RECENT TELEPHONE CONTACTS WITH WEST GERMAN FEDERAL CHANCELLOR HELMUT KOHL, GORBACHEV SAID THEY HAD DISCUSSED "SPECIFIC" ISSUES CONNECTED WITH SIGNING A NEW BIG TREATY BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND THE FUTURE UNITED GERMANY.

"ALL THAT WE HAVE ACCUMULATED DURING COOPERATION WITH THE TWO GERMAN STATES, SHOULD BE RETAINED AND DEVELOPED IN RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED GERMANY IN THE INTERESTS OF OUR TWO PEOPLES AND IN THE INTERESTS OF EUROPE AND THE WORLD", GORBACHEV SAID.

HE DESCRIBED AS "IMPORTANT" THE GERMAN LEADERSHIP'S STATEMENT THAT IT VIEWS SOVIET SERVICEMEN WHO WILL TEMPORARILY STAY ON GERMAN TERRITORY AS "REPRESENTATIVES OF A FRIENDLY COUNTRY".

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MOSCOW (SEPT 13) TASS - SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE DESCRIBED THE RESULTS OF THE "TWO PLUS FOUR" TALKS THAT ENDED IN MOSCOW ON WEDNESDAY AS "AN HISTORIC, MAJOR EVENT IN WORLD HISTORY, WHICH IS OF IMMENSE IMPORTANCE TO THE FUTURE OF THE EUROPEAN PEOPLES AND THE SOVIET PEOPLE".

IN A SOVIET TELEVISION INTERVIEW BROADCAST IN THE PRIME TIME EVENING NEWS PROGRAMME VREMYA, SHEVARDNADZE SAID: "I THINK THAT WE HAVE MADE CORRECT, CONSIDERED AND JUST DECISIONS ON THE EXTERNAL ELEMENTS OF BUILDING GERMAN UNITY."

RECALLING THAT A BIG TREATY ON THE PRINCIPLES OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED GERMANY AND THE SOVIET UNION WILL BE INITIALLED ON THURSDAY, SHEVARDNADZE EMPHASISED THAT, BY AND LARGE, SUCH STRUCTURES WERE BEING FORMED, WHICH MET THE INTERESTS OF ALL PEOPLE OF THE SOVIET UNION AS WELL AS THE INTERESTS OF ALL EUROPEAN STATES.

"THE ADOPTION OF THESE IMPORTANT AND COMPLEX DECISIONS BECAME POSSIBLE THANKS TO CHANGES THAT HAVE OCCURRED IN EUROPE AND ALL OVER THE WORLD ON THE BASIS OF NEW POLITICAL THINKING, ON THE BASIS OF THE PRINCIPLES THAT BEGAN TO UNDERLIE THE SOVIET UNION'S NEW FOREIGN POLICY," SHEVARDNADZE SAID.

APPRAISING THE "TWO PLUS FOUR" TALKS AND THEIR RESULTS, INCLUDING THEIR IMPORTANCE TO SOVIET-U.S. RELATIONS, SHEVARDNADZE SAID THAT THE MINISTERS WORKED IN THE ATMOSPHERE OF GOOD MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING.

"WE HAVE GAINED A UNIQUE EXPERIENCE, INCLUDING FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF THE FURTHER IMPROVEMENT OF SOVIET-U.S. INTERACTION," SHEVARDNADZE STRESSED.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Kansas City - Recalled outfielder Gary Thurman from Omaha of the American Association (AAA).

Milwaukee - Sent minor-league pitcher Kevin Carmody to New York Mets to complete Aug. 31 deal for catcher Charlie O'Brien.

New York (AL) - Activated first baseman Don Mattingly; purchased contract of pitcher Rich Monteleone from Columbus of International League (AAA).

New York (NL) - Obtained minor league pitcher Kevin Carmody from the Milwaukee Brewers to complete an August 31st trade for catcher Charlie O'Brien.

St. Louis - Purchased the contract of pitcher Ernie Camacho from Louisville of the American Association.

BASKETBALL

Albany (CBA) - Named Don Bassett and Terry Stotts assistant coaches.

Houston - Signed free-agent guard Kennard Winchester.

Minnesota - Acquired forward Brian Rowsom on waivers from Charlotte.

COLLEGE

Georgia Southern - Named Michael Stokes men's assistant basketball coach.

Hiram - Named Jimmy Gooden assistant basketball coach.

Iona - Named Steve Post part-time assistant basketball coach.

Lasalle - Named Joe Simon women's tennis coach and George Mecherly men's tennis coach.

NCAA - Declared Arizona defensive back McCann Utu ineligible.

Trenton State - Named David Denure assistant athletic director and Brenda

Zabriskie women's senior administrator and women's basketball coach.

Xavier (Ohio) - Announced forward Dave Minor left basketball team.

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Waived quarterback Hugh Millen; resigned quarterback Gilbert Renfroe.

Dallas - Released running back Tim Smith; signed free-agent running back Judd Garrett.

Houston - Signed wide receiver Leonard Harris; waived defensive back Quintin Jones and wide receiver Pat Coleman.

Miami - Signed wide receiver Jim Jensen to a two-year contract.

NY Jets - Placed running back A.B. Brown on injured reserve; signed defensive back Don Oregard.

Philadelphia - Signed wide receiver Marvin Hargrove and quarterback Ben Brown.

Pittsburgh - Placed cornerback Delton Hall and defensive back Delton Hall on injured reserve; resigned cornerback Richard Shelton.

Phoenix - Placed defensive tackle Bob Clasby on injured reserve with torn knee ligament; signed free agent Dick Chapura.

Washington - Acquired defensive end Eric Williams from Detroit Lions for running back James Wilder and a fourth-round draft choice.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - The House voted Tuesday to temporarily keep the Navy from closing a port facility at Staten Island, New York. The move came during debate on the House Armed Services Committee's 283-BILLION-dollar version of the fiscal 1991 defense authorization bill. The panel is expected to vote Wednesday on getting other nations to pay more of the expense of keeping U-S troops based overseas.

A recent survey of mothers with young children has seemingly conflicting results. The Gallup poll of 803 mothers nationwide shows that four out of every five use disposible diapers. And a majority of them support recycling. Yet most of them said they'd rather recycle newspapers and plastics, build a compost pile or join a car pool than switch to cloth diapers. Two diaper industry-funded projects are under way to test the

feasibility of reclaiming the paper and plastic used in disposibles.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	84	58	.592	-	42-29	40-30	8-2	W-2
New York	80	61	.567	3 1/2	48-22	32-39	4-6	W-2
Montreal	74	67	.525	9 1/2	39-28	35-39	5-5	L-1
Chicago	66	75	.468	17 1/2	34-38	32-37	4-6	W-1
Philadel.	65	76	.461	18 1/2	35-36	30-40	4-6	L-2
St. Louis	64	78	.451	20	32-40	32-38	4-6	L-2
West								
Cincinnati	80	60	.571	-	39-26	40-34	5-5	W-1
Los Angeles	74	68	.521	7	42-30	32-37	4-6	L-2
San Fran.	74	68	.521	7	41-29	33-38	7-3	W-4
San Diego	66	75	.468	14 1/2	36-39	28-37	5-5	W-3
Houston	63	78	.447	17 1/2	40-27	23-50	4-6	L-3
Atlanta	58	84	.408	23	33-38	24-46	6-4	L-3

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JOLIET, Ill. (SEPT. 12) UPI - Convicted double-murderer Charles Walker was executed by lethal injection early Wednesday - the first condemned man to be put to death by the state in nearly three decades.

Walker, 50, of Belleville, was pronounced dead 12:12 a.m., 11 minutes after executioners began administering the lethal combination of chemicals.

Walker looked straight at the 23 people witnessing the execution, until he found his minister, Jessie Mathes of the Jesus is the Way Prison Ministry of Champaign and then turned his gaze upward.

''Tell Jessie and tell Vi that I will see them later,'' Walker said to Warden Thomas Roth just before the lethal injection was started. ''You're a good man.''

It was unclear to whom Walker was referring when he mentioned Vi.

Walker appeared nervous, licking his lips frequently and moving his head from side to side four times. He closed his eyes, took four heavy breaths and then appeared to breathe very shallowly for about seven minutes until his breathing stopped altogether.

Walker had said he was ready to die and prefered death to life imprisonment. He was convicted and condemned in 1985 for the deaths of Kevin Paule and Sharon Winker. The couple had befriended Walker while all three were fishing along Silver Creek near Mascoutah. Walker shot the pair after robbing them of $40 for beer.

''I ain't never shed a tear - not for them I killed and not for me,'' Walker said at a 1988 news conference.

Walker was strapped to a gurney in a room that used to house the electric chair, the state's former method of execution. The death appeared peaceful with Walker seeming to be asleep before he stopped breathing.

Corrections spokesman Nic Howell said Mathes had met with Walker throughout the day and spent the final 30 minutes before the execution in Walker's cell.

''Charlie really hasn't changed much day. He's calm. He's collected. He's resigned ... Charlie has thought this thing out. It's something he's been looking for for five years now,'' Howell said.

Hundreds of protesters - both supporters and opponents of the death penalty - gathered outside Stateville Penitentiary as the execution took place.

Last-minute court action Tuesday failed to avert the first execution since 1962 when James Dukes was electrocuted in Chicago for killing a police officer.

Walker, an admitted alcoholic, rejected all appeals on his behalf and the courts ruled if he did not want to appeal his sentence, no one could do it for him.

Walker was served a last meal of fried wild rabbit, biscuits and blackberry pie about 5:30 p.m. He was the lone inmate in the cellhouse housing the execution chamber.

State troopers set up roadblocks and frisked demonstrators, who were then allowed to walk to a fenced-in area outside the prison walls, with death penalty opponents outnumbering those favoring execution by at least four-to-one.

Death penalty advocates cheered loudly as word filtered out that Walker was dead. Those against execution raised their candles in silent protest.

As the number of protesters increased, so did the intensity. Death penalty opponents stood silently with lit candles as execution advocates walked

circles around them, singing ''Nah Nah, Hey Hey, Goodbye.''

Earlier in the day, a Cook County judge, the state Supreme Court and the U.S. Supreme Court rejected appeals for Walker.

The Supreme Court rejected an appeal filed by the MacArthur Justice Center. A spokesman for the court said the justices voted 6-1 to reject the request to delay the execution.

Gov. James R. Thompson Monday rejected a clemency petition filed on Walker's behalf, saying he saw no reason for mercy, although he said he would be available should Walker change his mind.

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#90255u0297 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (SEPT. 12) UPI - The Khmer Rouge guerrilla group has called on Cambodia government troops to desert because the recent peace agreement means the end of Vietnamese military backing for the Phnom Penh army.

Khmer Rouge radio, in a broadcast Tuesday, said the agreement on a U.N. peace plan signed by the four Cambodian factions in Jakarta this week ''means that the Hanoi authorities must withdraw all their aggressor forces from Cambodia under UN supervision.''

The radio said thousands of Cambodians had been forced to serve the Vietnamese-installed government.

''Since the world community is forcing the Vietnamese aggressors to withdraw from Cambodia, you should quickly flee back home to be with your relatives and wives,'' the broadcast urged.

It refrained from warning of new Khmer Rouge attacks even though the Khmer Rouge leadership has not yet accepted the Cambodian government' s call for a ceasefire.

''If you do not flee, you will one day die either from malaria or from hitting land mines and booby traps,'' it said.

Meanwhile, Vietnam officially welcomed the Cambodian peace agreement and called for the early convening of a major international conference on Cambodia in Paris.

''Vietnam welcomes the Sept. 10 decision of the Cambodian parties in Jakarta in response to the agreement of the five permanent member countries of the UN Security Council on a political solution to the Cambodian issue,'' an official Hanoi radio commentary said Tuesday night.

''Together with countries participating in the Paris International Conference on Cambodia, Vietnam will do its utmost to contribute to the success of the conference and to attaining a comprehensive political solution to the Cambodian issue,'' the radio said.

It said Vietnam supported an early reconvening of the conference which is expected to work out the details of implementing the peace agreement.

The Khmer Rouge are the most powerful of the three groups in the resistance coalition fighting the government. The tough Chinese-backed group was ousted by the 1978 Vietnamese invasion after three and one- half years of radical communist rule that led to the deaths of more than 1 million Cambodians.

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#90255u0298 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 12) UPI - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu will visit the front-line states in the Persian Gulf crisis in early October and may carry with him an aid package worth up to $2 billion, news reports said Wednesday.

Japan is expected later this week to put a price tag on its promised contribution to the Middle East nations which are bearing the brunt of the burden in carrying out U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq.

No official announcement has been made concerning Kaifu's trip or the Japanese aid, but the Japanese media are widely reporting that Kaifu will offer up to $2 billion to Egypt, Jordan, Turkey, Saudi Arabia and Oman during his visit that begins Oct. 1.

A spokesman in Kaifu's office said the trip has not been set yet and he could not comment on the reports.

The news reports said Kaifu is expected to visit He had originally planned to visit those nations in August but postponed the trip after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Japan has already pledged to contribute $1 billion to support the international military forces in the Gulf and $22 million to aid refugees in Jordan.

On Tuesday, Japanese officials said they are considering sending up to 2,000 non-combat, unarmed troops and civilians to the Gulf.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - Voters in Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Hampshire and Vermont decided primary elections as two sitting governors opted to retire and two others faced re-election battles in the wake of New England's slumping economy.

In Rhode Island, millionaire business leader Bruce R. Sundlun handily defeated two mayors in the Democratic gubernatorial primary, setting up his third consecutive race against Republican Gov. Edward D. DiPrete.

Unofficial results showed Sundlun with 40 percent of the primary vote compared with 32 percent for Warwick Mayor Francis X. Flaherty and 28 percent for Providence Mayor Joseph R. Paolino.

''Here we go again,'' said DiPrete, whose popularity has plummeted because of perceived mismanagement by his administration and the faltering economy.

''This obviously is reminiscent of 1986 and 1988 ... I'm sure each of us will have a story to tell to the voters of this state, and I look forward to it.''

DiPrete, seeking his fourth two-year term, won the Republican nomination over controversial radio personality Steve White. The talk show host's 31 percent showing in a primary race the governor and the public essentially ignored was further evidence of DiPrete's slip in voter confidence.

In Rhode Island's 2nd House District, political maverick Edward P. Beard, the former housepainter who went to Congress in 1975, lost his bid to regain the seat he held for three terms. Democratic state Sen. John F. Reed of Cranston easily won his party's nomination over Beard and two other opponents.

He'll face Republican environmentalist Trudy Coxe in a race for GOP Rep. Claudine Schneider's seat. Schneider is challenging incumbent Democratic Sen. Claiborne Pell.

In Connecticut, Rep. Bruce A. Morrison won the Democratic nomination for governor, defeating state Rep. William J. Cibes Jr. in the party's first gubernatorial primary in 12 years.

Unofficial results showed Morrison, a four-term congressman, defeating Cibes, who ran on a pro-income tax platform, by nearly a 2-1 margin.

Morrison faces Rep. John G. Rowland, the Republican nominee, and former GOP Sen. Lowell P. Weicker Jr., now an independent, in the race to replace outgoing Gov. William A. O'Neill.

In New Hampshire, anti-abortion GOP Congressman Bob Smith and former Sen.

John Durkin apparently managed to translate their Washington experience into primary victories in the race for retiring Republican Sen. Gordon Humphrey's seat.

The conservative Smith, a three-term U.S. representative, defeated three other opponents with 64 percent of the vote, according to unofficial returns.

Durkin won a much closer race against fellow Democrats Jim Donchess, the mayor of Nashua, and Colby-Sawyer College professor John Rauh.

Gov. Judd Gregg breezed to victory in the Republican primary, and prepared for a challenge from either former state Democratic party chairman Joseph Grandmaison or Senate Minority Leader Robert Preston, who were less than a point apart at midnight Tuesday.

Next door in Vermont, former Gov. Richard Snelling won the GOP primary and will face Democrat Peter Welch. They are vying to replace Gov. Madeleine Kunin, who is retiring after three terms.

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PHOENIX (SEPT. 12) UPI - Millionaire businessman and political novice Fife Symington won the Republican nomination for governor of Arizona Tuesday, ending the comeback hopes of the impeached Evan Mecham.

Mecham, making his sixth bid for the office that he held for 15 months before being removed following a 1988 impeachment trial, admitted defeat with less than half the votes counted as Symington held a convincing lead in the five-way race.

With just over half of the votes counted, Symington had 45 percent of the votes to 23 percent for Mecham. Former legislator Fred Koory trailed with 17 percent, former Congressman Sam Steiger had 12 percent and little known Bob Barnes collected less than 2 percent of the votes.

Symington will face Democrat Terry Goddard, a former Phoenix mayor, in the November general election.

Gov. Rose Mofford, Arizona's veteran Democratic secretary of state who was thrust into office when Mecham was convicted by the state Senate, decided earlier this year not to run for a full term.

Speaking at his campaign headquarters in nearby Glendale, Mecham said he lost because he, Fred Koory and Sam Steiger split the ''conservative'' vote allowing the ''liberal'' candidate to win.

He said he would support Symington in the general election.

Symington, speaking to his supporters moments later at a downtown Phoenix hotel, asked support from the four losing candidates, saying the Republicans must be unified in order to return Arizona ''to the paty of progress and prosperity.''

Symington also took his first swipe at Goddard.

''My Democratic opponent is a professional politician, a tax and spend Dukakis liberal Democrat and I am a Goldwater conservative and I'm proud of it.''

Goddard said he was prepared for the ''hardest hitting campaign in the state.''

Symington, a real estate developer and cousin of former Sen. Stuart Symington, D-Mo., was making his first bid for political office. A sharp critic of Mecham's administration, Symington became the first to enter the gubernatorial race and put some $1.4 million into the campaign, more than all the other GOP candidates combined.

Mecham, elected governor on his fifth attempt in 1986, was removed from office in April 1988 when the state Senate convicted him of two of three charges brought by the House. Both legislative chambers were controlled by Republicans.

Mecham, an ultra-conservative, was convicted of improperly loaning money from a governor's protocol fund to his automobile dealership and hindering a criminal investigation. Mecham later was tried but acquitted on criminal charges of violating state campaign finance laws.

Mecham's administration was marked by one controversy after another, including his decision to rescind a paid state holiday to honor slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. The battle over the holiday is continuing and is to be decided in a referendum vote in November.

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#90255u0324 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 12) UPI - Democrat Gov. Rudy Perpich defeated a former cabinet member in his fourth bid for governor and Jon Grunseth, a conservative businessman, won the Republican nomination in a three-way primary election.

Mike Hatch, 42, former commerce commissioner, challenged Perpich, 62, who got the Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party endorsement. Hatch conceded Tuesday's race and said he would support his former boss.

Perpich faced a conservative Republican and claimed the DFL was now the centralist political party. ''We have the center back unified with the DFL '' he said.

With 2,693 of 4,131 precincts reporting, Perpich had 119,691 votes to Hatch's 93,799.

In the hotly contested Republican governor's primary race, party- endorsed Jon Grunseth, 44, a St. Paul businessman, defeated state Auditor Arne Carlson, 55, who had been ahead nearly 2-1 in most polls. Darkhorse Doug Kelley, 43, a former U.S. attorney and moderate Republican like Carlson, trailed a distant third.

''When you tally all the votes, the moderates did well, but you cannot divide the moderate vote,'' Carlson said.

Republican Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, 59, easily defeated darkhorse John Zeleniak to win Senate primary by a 7-1 margin. DFL-endorsed Paul Wellstone, 46, defeated state Agriculture Commissioner Jim Nichols, 44. Wellstone claimed victory but Nichols declined to concede.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Oakland at Seattle, 3:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at Boston, 6:05 p.m.
Texas, at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit, at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago, at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto, at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
Minnesota, at California, 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Philadelphia at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Atlanta at San Francisco, 3:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh at New York, 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
Houston at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.

SOFTBALL

North Mankato, Minn. - Men's Major Fast Pitch National Championships

TENNIS

Phoenix, Ariz., - $150,000 Arizona Classic
Tokyo - $150,000 Tokyo International Doubles

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Pettis cf	2	0	0	0	Kelly cf	3	1	0	0
JoRussell ph	0	0	0	0	Sax 2b	4	1	1	0
Reimer ph	1	0	1	1	Maas 1b	3	1	0	0
Huson pr	0	1	0	0	Hall dh	4	2	3	2
Franco 2b	3	0	0	0	Barfield rf	3	0	1	0
Palmeiro 1b	4	0	2	1	Meulens lf	3	0	1	0
Sierra rf	4	1	1	0	Azocar lf	0	0	0	0
Gonzalez dh	4	1	1	2	Leyritz c	2	0	1	3
Incaviglia lf	4	0	1	0	Geren c	0	0	0	0
Stanley c	2	0	0	0	Blowers 3b	3	0	0	0
Belcher lf	1	1	0	0	Velarde 3b	0	0	0	0
Buechele 3b	2	0	0	0	Espinoza ss	2	0	0	0
Petralli ph	1	0	0	0	Nokes ph	1	0	0	0
Coolbaugh ph	1	0	0	0	Tolleson ss	0	0	0	0
Daugherty ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	32	4	7	4	Totals	28	5	7	5

Texas	000	020	020-	4
New York	010	000	22x-	5

DP-Texas 1, New York 1. LOB-Texas 4, New York 3. 2B-Leyritz, Incaviglia. 3B-Reimer, Hall. HR-Gonzalez (3). CS- Kunkel. S-Barfield. SF-Leyritz.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Witt (L 15-9)	8	7	5	5	2	7
New York						
Cary	7	4	3	3	2	7
Robinson	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Cadaret	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Habyan	0	1	1	1	1	0
Guetterman (W 10-6)	1-3	1	0	0	0	0

Righetti (S 31)	1	1	0	0	0	0

Cary pitched to 1 batter in eighth; Habyan pitched to 2 batters in eighth.

PB-Leyritz.

Umpires-Home, Merrill; 1b, McClelland; 2b, Denkinger; 3b, Shulock.

T-2:56. A-19,413.

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 1b	5	0	0	0	Reed 2b	3	0	1	0
Brock 1b	0	0	0	0	Quintana 1b	4	0	0	0
Gantner 2b	4	1	1	0	Boggs 3b	4	1	1	0
Sheffield 3b	3	1	1	0	Burks cf	4	1	0	0
Parker dh	4	1	2	1	Greenwell lf	4	0	2	1
Yount cf	2	1	1	2	Brunansky rf	4	0	2	1
Surhoff c	2	0	0	1	Marshall dh	3	0	0	0
Vaughn lf	4	0	0	0	Pena c	3	0	1	0
Felder lf	0	0	0	0	Rivera ss	3	0	0	0
Deer rf	4	0	0	0					
Spiers ss	4	0	1	0					
Totals	32	4	6	4	Totals	32	2	7	2

Milwaukee	000	002	020-	4
Boston	000	200	000-	2

E-Gantner, Gardner, Surhoff. DP- Milwaukee 1. LOB-Milwaukee 6, Boston 8. 2B-Boggs. HR-Yount (15). SB-Sheffield (25), Vaughn (7), Gantner (16), Pena (4). S- Yount. SF-Surhoff.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Robinson (W 10-3)	7	4	2	1	4	2
Plesac (S 23)	2	3	0	0	0	2
Boston						
Lamp	5	3	2	2	3	1
Gardner (L 3-7)	3	3	2	2	0	2
Andersen	1	0	0	0	0	1

Lamp pitched to 2 batters in the 6th.

HBP-by Robinson (Marshall). T-3:09. A- 27,778.

Umpires-Home, McCoy; 1b, Phillips; 2b, Clark; 3b, Hirschbeck.

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
Mack cf	4	0	1	0	Polonia lf	5	1	3	0
Gladden dh	4	0	0	0	Ray 2b	5	1	1	0
Puckett lf	4	0	0	0	Davis dh	4	1	3	1
Gaetti 3b	4	0	1	0	Winfield rf	4	2	2	2
Harper c	2	0	0	0	Stevens 1b	4	0	1	0
Larkin 1b	3	0	2	0	Parrish c	4	0	1	0
Munoz rf	3	0	0	0	Howell 3b	3	1	1	1
Leius ss	3	0	0	0	Schofield ss	4	1	1	0
Newman 2b	3	0	0	0	White cf	4	2	2	1
Totals	30	0	4	0	Totals	37	9	15	5

Minnesota	000	000	000-	0
California	200	130	03x-	9

E-Puckett. DP-Minnesota 1, California 1. LOB-Minnesota 4, California 5.
2B-Ray. HR-Winfield (16). SB-Mack (10), White (18).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Tapani (L 11-7)	3	3	2	2	0	1
Smith	3	8	4	4	0	1
Wayne	1	1	0	0	0	1
Savage	1	3	3	1	1	1
California						
Langston (W 9-16)	9	4	0	0	1	6

Umpires-Home, Barnett; 1b, Kosc; 2b, Morrison; 3b, Roe.

T-2:19. A-21,908.

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Phillips 3b	3	1	1	0	Finley rf	4	1	1	1
Whitaker 2b	4	0	1	0	BRipken 2b	3	0	1	0
Trammell ss	4	0	2	2	Hulett 2b	1	0	0	0
Fielder 1b	3	0	0	0	CRipken ss	4	0	1	0
Moseby lf	4	0	1	0	Kittle dh	4	0	2	0
Sheets dh	3	0	1	0	Gallagher dh	0	0	0	0
Coles dh	1	0	1	0	Tettleton c	2	0	0	0
Shelby rf	3	0	1	0	Worthngtn 3b	3	0	1	0
Lemon rf	1	0	0	0	Devereaux cf	3	0	0	0
Rowland c	4	0	0	0	Orsulak ph	0	0	0	0
Cuyler cf	3	1	2	0	Melvin ph	1	0	0	0

					Anderson lf	4	0	0	0
					Segui 1b	4	0	0	0
Totals	33	2	10	2	Totals	33	1	6	1

Detroit	000	000	020-	2
Baltimore	000	000	100-	1

E-Fielder, Rowland, Johnson. DP-Detroit 1, Baltimore 1. LOB-Detroit 6, Baltimore 8. 2B-Moseby, Ripken, Sheets, Trammell. HR-Finley (2). SB-Gallagher (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Searcy	6	4	0	0	3	5
Gibson (W 5-4)	1	1	1	1	0	0
Henneman	1	1	0	0	0	1
Gleaton (S 10)	1	0	0	0	0	1
Baltimore						
Johnson	7	6	0	0	2	3
Schilling (L 1-1)	0	2	2	2	0	0
Ballard	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Olson	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Price	1	1	0	0	0	0

Schilling pitched to 2 batters in the 8th.

T-3:11. A-26,836.

Umpires-Home, Garcia; 1b, Hendry; 2b, Palermo; 3b, Reilly.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Johnson cf	4	0	0	0	Jefferson lf	4	0	2	1
Ventura 3b	3	0	1	0	Webster cf	4	0	0	1
McCray pr	0	0	0	0	DJames dh	4	0	0	0
Grebeck 3b	0	0	0	0	Maldonado rf	4	0	1	0
Calderon lf	4	0	0	0	Alomar c	4	1	1	0
Pasqua dh	4	0	0	0	Brookens 3b	3	0	1	0
Fisk c	3	2	3	0	Browne ph	1	0	0	0
Bradley rf	0	0	0	0	Manto 1b	2	1	1	1
Thomas 1b	3	1	2	1	Cole pr	0	0	0	0
Lyons 1b	0	0	0	0	Fermin ss	2	1	1	0
Fletcher 2b	3	0	1	2	Baerga ph	1	1	1	0
Sosa rf	3	0	0	0	McLemore 2b	3	0	1	0
Willard ph	1	0	0	0	DiJames ph	0	0	0	0
Karkovice c	0	0	0	0	Jacoby ph	1	0	1	1

Guillen ss	4	0	0	0					
Totals	32	3	7	3	Totals	33	4	10	4

Chicago	000	100	200- 3
Cleveland	010	020	001- 4

E-Brookens, Maldonado. DP-Chicago 1, Cleveland 1. LOB-Chicago 6, Cleveland 6. 2B-Thomas, Jacoby. S-Fermin, Lyons.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Edwards	4 1-3	7	3	3	0	1
Pall	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Hillegas	2	1	0	0	1	1
BJones (L 11-3)	2-3	1	1	1	1	0
Patterson	0	1	0	0	0	0
Cleveland						
Candiotti	6	3	1	1	0	5
RWard	1-3	3	2	2	0	0
Valdez	2-3	0	0	0	1	0
Walker	1 2-3	1	0	0	1	0
Orosco (W 5-4)	1-3	0	0	0	0	1

Valdez pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

HBP-By Candiotti (Fisk). WP-Candiotti.

T-3:08. A-4,903.

Umpires-Home, Evans; 1b, Welke; 2b, Coble; 3b, Ford.

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PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Backman 2b	3	1	1	1	Dykstra cf	4	0	1	0
McClendn ph	1	1	1	2	Ready 2b	4	0	0	0
Belliard 2b	0	0	0	0	McElroy p	0	0	0	0
Ryal ph	1	0	0	0	VHayes lf	3	0	0	0
Power p	0	0	0	0	Murphy rf	4	0	1	0
Bell ss	5	0	0	1	Kruk 1b	4	1	1	1
VanSlyke cf	4	0	0	0	CHayes 3b	4	0	3	0
Bonilla rf	4	0	2	1	Thon ss	3	0	0	0

Bonds lf	3	0	1	0	Nieto c	3	0	0	0
Bream 1b	4	0	1	0	Grimsley p	0	0	0	0
LaValliere c	3	0	1	0	Cook p	2	0	1	0
Cangelosi pr	0	1	0	0	Carman p	0	0	0	0
Bilardello c	0	0	0	0	Campusan ph	1	0	0	0
King 3b	2	1	0	0	Malone p	0	0	0	0
Tomlin p	2	1	1	0	Greene p	0	0	0	0
Reynolds ph	1	0	0	0	Boever p	0	0	0	0
Heaton p	0	0	0	0	Booker 2b	0	0	0	0
Lind 2b	0	0	0	0					
Totals	33	5	8	5	Totals	32	1	7	1

Pittsburgh	002	000	201-	5
Philadelphia	010	000	000-	1

E-Greene. DP-Pittsburgh 2, Philadelphia 2. LOB-Pittsburgh 7, Philadelphia 5. 2B-Tomlin, LaValliere, Bonds. 3B-Backman, Bream. HR-Kruk (5), McClendon (2). S- Lind.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Tomlin (W 3-2)	6	5	1	1	1	2
Heaton	2	2	0	0	0	0
Power	1	0	0	0	0	1
Philadelphia						
Grimsley (L 1-2)	2 2-3	4	2	2	2	2
Cook	4 1-3	3	2	2	1	3
Carman	1	1	0	0	0	0
Malone	0	0	1	0	2	0
Greene	0	0	0	0	0	0
Boever	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
McElroy	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Malone pitched to 2 batters in 9th; Greene pitched to 1 batter in 9th.

Umpires-Home, Harvey; 1b, Demuth; 2b, Gregg; 3b, Crawford.

T-2:57. A-20,289.

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Raines lf	4	1	1	1	Walton cf	4	1	1	0
DaMartinz cf	3	0	0	0	Dunston ss	2	1	1	0
Santoveni ph	1	0	0	0	Ramos ss	2	0	0	0
Alou cf	1	0	0	0	Grace 1b	2	1	0	1
DeShields 2b	4	1	3	2	Dawson rf	4	1	1	2

Wallach 3b	4	0	0	0	Wilson p	0	0	0	0
Walker rf	2	1	0	0	Bielecki p	1	0	0	0
Galarraga 1b	4	1	1	3	May lf	2	3	1	2
Goff c	4	0	1	0	Salazar 3b	4	1	3	1
Foley ss	3	1	2	0	Berryhill c	4	1	1	2
Hall p	0	0	0	0	GSmith 2b	4	1	1	1
Aldrete ph	1	0	0	0	Nunez p	0	0	0	0
Frey p	0	0	0	0	DwSmith ph	1	1	1	1
Gross p	0	0	0	0	Pavlas p	1	0	0	0
Rojas p	0	0	0	0	Dascenzo rf	1	0	0	0
Owen ss	1	1	0	0					
Totals	33	6	9	6	Totals	32	11	10	10

Montreal	4	1	0	000	100- 6
Chicago	0	(10)	0	000	10x-11

E-Goff, Rojas, Frey. DP-Montreal 2, Chicago 1. LOB-Montreal 5, Chicago 5. 2B-DeShields, Berryhill, DwSmith, Dawson, May. 3B-Salazar. HR-Galarraga (19). SB-Raines (42), Dunston (23), GSmith (1). S-Gross.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Gross (L 8-11)	1	5	6	6	3	0
Rojas	1	3	4	3	1	0
Farmer	3	0	0	0	1	2
Hall	2	1	1	1	2	0
Frey	1	1	0	0	0	0
Chicago						
Nunez	2	4	5	5	2	1
Pavlas (W 2-0)	4	3	0	0	0	2
Wilson	2-3	1	1	1	1	1
Bielecki	2 1-3	1	0	0	1	1

Gross pitched to six batters in the second.

WP-Wilson. HBP-By Rojas (Dunston).

Umpires-Home, Rippley; 1b, Darling; 2b, Froemming; 3b, Pulli.

T-2:55. A-18,984.

ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Thompson lf	4	1	2	0	Jefferies 3b	5	1	0	0
OSmith ss	5	1	3	2	Herr 2b	4	1	1	1
Lankford cf	4	0	2	0	Magadan 1b	5	0	0	0

Guerrero 1b	5	1	2	1	Strawberry rf	5	1	2	2
Jose rf	4	2	2	0	McReynlds lf	3	3	3	1
Zeile 3b	4	1	2	3	Johnson ss	4	1	1	0
DiPino p	0	0	0	0	Boston cf	3	3	1	0
Terry p	0	0	0	0	O'Brien c	1	0	1	3
Hudler ph	1	0	0	0	Valera p	2	0	1	2
LSmith p	0	0	0	0	Ojeda p	0	0	0	0
Pagnozzi c	4	1	1	1	O'Malley ph	1	0	0	0
Oquendo 2b	4	0	0	0	Darling p	0	0	0	0
Hill p	2	0	0	0	Tabler ph	0	0	0	0
Wilson ph	1	1	1	1	Sasser ph	0	0	0	1
Camacho p	0	0	0	0	Franco p	0	0	0	0
Pendleton 3b	1	0	0	0					
Totals	39	8	15	8	Totals	33	10	10	10

St. Louis	010	104	002-	8
New York	020	301	112-	10

E-Zeile. LOB-St. Louis 7, New York 5. 2B-O'Brien, Zeile, Jose, Herr, Boston, Thompson. HR-Zeile (14), McReynolds (22), Strawberry (33). SB-McReynolds (9). S-O'Brien. SF-O'Brien, Sasser.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Hill	5	6	5	5	1	2
Camacho	1	1	2	1	1	2
DiPino	1 1-3	2	1	1	1	0
Terry	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
LSmith (L 3-4)	1-3	1	2	2	1	0
New York						
Valera	5	7	3	3	2	0
Ojeda	1	5	3	3	0	0
Darling	2	0	0	0	1	1
Franco (W 5-1)	1	3	2	2	0	0

Valera pitched to 1 batter in 6th, Camacho pitched to 1 batter in 7th.

T-3:14. A-25,126.

Umpires-Home, Marsh; 1b, Wendelstedt; 2b, West; 3b, Hirschbeck.

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Young cf	2	0	0	0	Larkin ss	4	1	1	0
Ramirez ss	5	0	2	0	Duncan 2b	3	0	0	1
Cedeno pr	0	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	4	0	2	2

Biggio c	5	1	2	0	EDavis lf	3	1	1	1
GDavis 1b	4	1	1	2	Braggs rf	2	0	1	0
Caminiti 3b	5	0	0	0	Myers p	1	0	0	0
Stubbs lf	3	1	0	0	Oliver c	4	0	1	0
Davidson rf	3	0	0	0	Bates pr	0	1	0	0
Candaele 2b	4	0	1	0	Winnnghm cf	0	0	0	0
Agosto p	0	0	0	0	Morris 1b	1	1	0	0
Meyer p	0	0	0	0	Hatcher cf	2	1	0	0
Deshaies p	2	0	1	1	Doran ph	1	0	1	1
Yelding ph	1	0	0	0	Reed c	0	0	0	0
Clancy p	0	0	0	0	Charlton p	3	0	0	0
Rohde 2b	1	0	0	0	Dibble p	0	0	0	0
					O'Neill rf	1	0	0	0
Totals	35	3	7	3	Totals	29	5	7	5

Houston	000	120	000-	3
Cincinnati	010	300	01x-	5

E-Braggs, Duncan. LOB-Houston 11, Cincinnati 8. 2B-Braggs, Oliver.
HR-EDavis (20), GDavis (21). SB-Stubbs (14), Larkin (27). SF-Duncan.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Deshaies (L 6-12)	6	4	4	4	6	3
Clancy	1 1-3	2	1	1	1	2
Agosto	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Meyer	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati						
Charlton (W 12-7)	7	5	3	3	3	4
Dibble	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Myers (S 29)	1 2-3	1	0	0	3	3

PB-Oliver. T-2:56. A-19,507.

Umpires-Home, Layne; 1b, Winters; 2b, Hohn; 3b, Davis.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Javier cf	4	0	1	0	Cora 2b	4	0	1	0
Sharpersn 3b	3	0	1	0	Templeton ss	3	1	0	0
Gibson lf	4	0	0	0	TGwynn rf	3	1	1	2
Brooks rf	4	0	0	0	JaClark 1b	3	1	1	2
MHatcher 1b	3	0	0	0	JCarter cf	4	0	1	0
Scioscia c	3	0	0	0	Lynn lf	4	0	1	0
Samuel 2b	3	0	2	0	Santiago c	4	0	1	0
Offerman ss	2	0	0	0	Pagliarulo 3b	3	1	2	0

Dempsey ph	1	0	0	0	Hurst p	2	0	0	0
Gott p	0	0	0	0					
Hartley p	1	0	0	0					
Holmes p	0	0	0	0					
Gonzalez ph	1	0	0	0					
Walsh p	0	0	0	0					
Vizcaino ss	1	0	1	0					
Totals	30	0	5	0	Totals	30	4	8	4

Los Angeles	000	000	000-	0
San Diego	000	220	00x-	4

DP-San Diego 2. LOB-Los Angeles 4, San Diego 6. 2B-Samuel. 3B-T Gwynn.
HR-Ja Clark (22). SB-J Carter (19). S-Hurst.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Hartley (L 6-3)	4 2-3	5	4	4	2	4
Holmes	1-3	0	0	0	1	1
Walsh	2	2	0	0	0	1
Gott	1	1	0	0	0	0
San Diego						
Hurst (W 9-9)	9	5	0	0	1	7

WP-Hartley.

Umpires- Home, Barnes; 1b, Tata; 2b, Quick; 3b, Bonin.

T-2:50. A-13,758.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
LoSmith lf	2	0	1	0	Butler cf	3	0	2	0
Treadway 2b	3	0	1	0	Litton 2b	3	0	0	0
Gant cf	4	0	0	0	Uribe ss	0	1	0	0
Justice rf	4	0	1	0	WClark 1b	4	0	2	0
Gregg 1b	3	0	0	0	Mitchell lf	4	1	2	2
Presley 3b	4	0	1	0	MaWillims 3b	3	0	1	0
Whitt c	4	0	0	0	Bass rf	4	0	0	0
Blauser ss	3	0	0	0	RoThmpsn 2b	0	0	0	0
Marak p	1	0	0	0	Kennedy c	2	0	1	0
MBell ph	1	0	0	0	Benjamin ss	1	0	0	0
Grant p	0	0	0	0	Riles ss	2	0	0	0
					Kingery rf	1	0	0	0
					Garrelts p	4	0	0	0
					Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0

Totals	29	0	4	0	Totals	31	2	8	2

Atlanta	000	000	000-	0
San Francisco	000	000	20x-	2

E-Gregg, Gant. DP-Atlanta 1, San Francisco 2. LOB-Atlanta 7, San Francisco 10. 2B-Presley, Butler. 3B-Mitchell. HR-Mitchell (34). SB-Treadway (2). CS- Butler.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Marak	6	6	0	0	4	2
Grant (L 2-3)	2	2	2	2	1	3
San Francisco						
Garrelts (W 12-10)	8	4	0	0	5	8
Bedrosian (S 12)	1	0	0	0	0	0

Garrelts Pitched To Two Batters In The Ninth.

Umpires- Home, Montague; 1b, Davidson; 2b, C Williams; 3b, McSherry.
T-2:31. A-11,791.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	79	63	.556	-	45-27	34-36	4-6	L-2
Toronto	76	66	.535	3	37-34	37-33	9-1	W-6
Detroit	69	74	.482	10 1/2	34-37	35-37	6-4	W-3
Milwaukee	68	74	.479	11	34-38	34-36	6-4	W-2
Baltimore	63	77	.450	15	32-38	31-39	2-8	L-2
Cleveland	64	79	.440	15 1/2	35-37	29-42	4-6	W-1
New York	58	83	.411	20 1/2	32-38	26-45	2-8	W-1
West								
Oakland	90	51	.638	-	44-24	46-27	9-1	W-1
Chicago	80	61	.567	10	41-29	39-32	4-6	L-1
Texas	74	68	.521	16 1/2	43-29	31-39	7-3	L-1
California	71	71	.500	19 1/2	38-32	33-39	5-5	W-2
Seattle	70	72	.493	20 1/2	37-37	33-35	6-4	L-1
Kansas City	66	76	.465	24	40-31	26-45	1-9	L-9
Minnesota	65	78	.455	26	35-37	30-41	5-5	L-3

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - Nelson Mandela says pressure is mounting for members of his African National Congress to re-arm its supporters. Mandela met for two hours yesterday with South African President Frederik de Klerk to discuss racial violence. He said the government is NOT crushing black factional violence and the power sharing negotiations could collapse.

About a dozen tornadoes were spotted yesterday in Barron County in northwestern Wisconsin. Property damage was widespread, but NO injuries were reported. Worst hit was the community of Canton. A police chief said the storm system took more than two hours to pass over the town of Rice Lake.

Gunfire broke out during lunch hour yesterday at a high school in San Antonio, Texas. Three students were wounded. A school official says the wounded students accused the attackers of belonging to a gang. A police spokeswoman said a feud was going on among some school groups. Three students were arrested.

Researchers say drinking four or more cups of coffee a day increases the risk of heart attack by about 40 percent. The study involved 100- thousand people who had general checkups at hospitals in northern California. The research team recommends people prone to heart disease cut coffee consumption to less than four cups daily.

Preliminary 1990 census numbers doN'T add up to as many people as earlier estimates projected. Some members of Congress are calling the once-a-decadepopulation head count a failure. They say minorities were undercounted. But Census Director Barbara Bryant told a House hearing yesterday the total will rise as follow-up work continues.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - Despite some shaky moments, Randy Myers got the job done.

The Reds reliever escaped a few hairy situations Tuesday night to gain his 29th save in Cincinnati's 5-3 victory over the Houston Astros. Myers took over in the eighth with one out and runners on first and third and retired the side without allowing a run.

In the ninth, Myers walked Glenn Davis to load the bases with two outs. Ken Caminiti then grounded back to the mound, but Myers failed to field the ball cleanly. He had just enough time to recover and nail Caminiti at first by a step to end the game.

''I just didn't get a good grip on the ball at first, but I knew I had to relax and get it over to first,'' said Myers, who struck out three and walked three in 1 2-3 innings. ''It was close, but we got him, and that was the big thing.''

The victory gave the National League West-leading Reds a seven-game advantage over the Los Angeles Dodgers and San Francisco Giants who are tied for second.

Cincinnati starter Norm Charlton, 12-7, struck out four and walked three in seven innings. Rob Dibble retired one batter in the eighth.

Loser Jim DeShaies, 6-12, gave up four hits in six innings, striking out three and walking six.

''I had no command of my change-up and I was trying to spot my fast ball '' DeShaies said. ''I was struggling and I didn't have much tonight.''

Cincinnati took the lead for good in the fourth. With the score tied 1-1, Hal Morris, Billy Hatcher and Barry Larkin walked. Morris scored on Mariano Duncan's sacrifice fly and Hatcher took third. Larkin stole second and Sabo singled, scoring Hatcher and Larkin to give the Reds a 4-1 lead.

Myers was also the victim of manager Lou Piniella's mishandled double switch in the eighth. Myers batted fifth and led off the eighth instead of Piniella's intended choice of pinch-hitter Paul O'Neill.

''I guess Skip (Piniella) wanted some power in there batting fifth,'' said Myers, with a tongue-in-cheek chuckle. ''We needed a clutch hit, but they pitched me tough and I grounded out.''

In other National League action, Chicago pounded Montreal 11-6, Pittsburgh pummeled Philadelphia 5-1, New York caged St. Louis 10-8, San Diego blanked Los Angeles 4-0 and San Francisco dropped Atlanta 2- 0.

In the American League it was: New York 5, Texas 4; Milwaukee 4, Boston 2; Detroit 2, Baltimore 1; Cleveland 4, Chicago 3; Toronto 8, Kansas City 4; Seattle 10, Oakland 2; and California 9, Minnesota 0.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Cubs 11, Expos 6

At Chicago, Damon Berryhill, Andre Dawson and rookie Derrick May each hit two-run doubles in a 10-run second inning, sparking Chicago. Rookie Dave Pavlas, 2-0, pitched four innings of relief for the win, giving up three hits and striking out two. Kevin Gross dropped to 8-11 and has lost his last seven decisions. He served up five hits and walked three in one-plus

inning.

Pirates 5, Phillies 1

At Philadelphia, pinch-hitter Lloyd McClendon hit a two-run home run to help Pittsburgh win for the ninth time in their last 11 games. Rookie Randy Tomlin, 3-2, who made his eighth major-league start, gave up five hits and one run in six innings in beating the Phillies for the second time this season. Phillies starter Jason Grimsley dropped to 1-2.

Mets 10, Cardinals 8

At New York, Darryl Strawberry's 33rd homer, a two-run blast with one out in the bottom of the ninth inning lifted the Mets. Strawberry's blast scored Tommmy Herr and helped New York remain 3 1-2 games behind the NL East leading Pirates. John Franco pitched the ninth for the win, improving to 5-1.

Padres 4, Dodgers 0

At San Diego, Bruce Hurst hurled a five-hitter, Jack Clark slugged a two-run homer and Tony Gwynn added a two-run triple to pace the Padres to their third straight victory. Hurst, 9-9, who notched his third shutout of the season, has not allowed an earned run in his last 18 innings. The left-hander struck out seven and walked one as he faced just four batters over the minimum.

Giants 2, Braves 0

At San Francisco, Scott Garrelts allowed four hits over eight innings and Kevin Mitchell took the National League home run lead, leading the Giants. Garrelts, 12-10, walked four and struck out eight. Steve Bedrosian came on with two on and none out in the ninth and recorded his 12th save. Atlanta reliever Mark Grant, 2-3, pitched two innings, giving up both runs on two hits.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 12) UPI - Another Roman Catholic priest said he gave money from his charitable fund to a woman whose sexual relationship with former Archbishop Eugene A. Marino led to the priest's resignation.

Officials of the archdiocese of Atlanta said Tuesday the Rev. John Walsh notified Bishop James P. Lyke he gave between $1,000 and $2,000 from his parish assistance fund to Vicki R. Long.

Church officials would not give any details of the payments, and Walsh,

pastor of St. Pius X Church in Conyers, said only that he had given his report to the bishop.

There is no indication, officials said, that Walsh was sexually involved with Long, 27, of Riverdale.

The Rev. Peter Dora, spokesman for the archdiocese, said a lay panel has been appointed by Lyke to investigate the fiances of two other parishes, and the archdiocese will audit the Conyers parish.

The panel is headed by Coca-Cola president Donald R. Keough and will talk to pastors in all 63 parishes to find out whether they know of other money given to Long, whose two-year relationship with Marino led to his resignation last summer.

The Rev. Michael Woods, a Sandy Springs priest, also resigned after confessing to an ''intimate'' relationship with Long, who denied the relationship was sexual.

Officials said Woods gave Long a small amount of money from his charitable discretionary funds. They also said the archdiocese paid about $15,000 in medical bills for Long and Marino gave her up to $1,500 a month of his personal money.

Walsh was an assistant pastor to Woods at St. John the Evangelist from June 1979 until June 1983, when Walsh was assigned to St. Jude the Apostle. He was assigned to St. Pius in 1987 and became its pastor in 1988.

Controversy has surrounded Long since the revelation of her affair with Marino, who is in seclusion in a hospital in upstate New York. She claimed she was molested by a nun while working at a Catholic hospital in Columbus Ga., and filed suit against the Rev. Donal Keohane, a Columbus priest, in 1987, alleging that he fathered her daughter, now 4. Blood tests later indicated Keohane was not the father.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

BATTING (Minimum 335 at-bats)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	437	107	143	.327
Palmeiro, Tex	522	64	168	.322
Brett, KC	492	75	158	.321
Trammell, Det	514	67	162	.315

Boggs, Bos	551	82	171	.310
McGriff, Tor	478	84	148	.310
Puckett, Min	487	79	149	.306
Harper, Min	435	58	133	.306
Parker, Mil	540	66	165	.306
Burks, Bos	507	79	154	.304

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	526	97	177	.337
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Magadan, NY	384	66	126	.328
Murray, LA	484	80	152	.314
Gwynn, SD	561	77	173	.308
Grace, Chi	513	60	158	.308
Dawson, Chi	462	58	142	.307
LSmith, Atl	396	59	121	.306
Bonds, Pit	459	93	140	.305
Larkin, Cin	544	77	165	.303

HOME RUNS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 45; McGwire, Oak 37; Canseco, Oak 36; McGriff, Tor 34 and Deer, Mil 27.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Mitchell, SF 34; Sandberg, Chi and Strawberry, NY 33; Bonilla, Pit 31; Williams, SF 29.

RUNS BATTED IN

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 116; McGwire, Oak 101; Gruber, Tor 97; Canseco, Oak 92; Parker, Mil 87.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Williams, SF 108; Carter, SD 105; Bonilla, Pit 104; Bonds, Pit 103; Strawbery, NY 97.

DOUBLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Brett, KC 43; Jo.Reed, Bos 42; Boggs, Bos 41; Harper, Min 39; Puckett, Min and and Calderon, Chi 38.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Jefferies, NY 37; Dykstra, Phi 35; Bonilla, Pit and Johnson, NY 34; Sabo, Cin, Roberts, SD, Presley, Atl and Wallach, Mtl 33.

TRIPLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fernandez, Tor 16; Sosa, Chi 9; Burks, Bos 8; Johnson, Chi, Liriano, Min, Pettis, Tex and Eisenreich, KC 7.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Duncan, Cin 11; Coleman, StL 9; Dunston, Chi, Gwynn, SD and Smith, Atl 8; Thompson, StL, Butler, SF 7.

STOLEN BASES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 59; Sax, NY 36; Kelly, NY 34; Pettis, Tex 33; Calderon, Chi 30.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 55; Bonds, Pit 45; Nixon, Mtl 43 and Raines, Mtl 42.

RUNS SCORED

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 107; Fielder, Det 92; Yount, Mil 90; Franco, Tex 86; McGriff, Tor and Phillips, Det 84.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Bonilla, Pit 104; Sandberg, Chi 100; Dykstra, Phi 97; Gant, Atl and Bonds, Pit 93.

HITS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Boggs, Bos 171; Palmeiro, Tex 168; Griffey, Jr, Sea 165; Parker, Mil 165; Trammell, Det 162.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Dykstra, Phi 177; Gwynn, SD 173; McGee, StL 168; Larkin, Cin 165; Sandberg, Chi and Wallach, Mon 164.

VICTORIES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Welch, Oak 23; Clemens, Bos 20; Stewart, Oak 19; Stieb, Tor 18; Finley, Cal 17.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Drabek, Pit 19; Viola, NY 18; Martinez, LA 17; Gooden, NY 16; Smoltz, Atl and Browning, Cin 13.

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 115 innings pitched)

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 1.98; Finley, Cal 2.51; Stewart, Oak 2.77; Stieb, Tor 2.78; McCaskill, Cal, 2.81.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Whitson, SD 2.37; Tudor, StL 2.43; Viola, NY 2.56; Drabek, Pit 2.63; Z. Smith, Pit 2.91; Martinez, Mtl 2.92.

STRIKEOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 204; Ryan, Tex 197; Witt, Tex 196; Hanson, Sea 185; Johnson, Sea 177; Langston, Cal 168.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 200; Cone, NY 193; Gooden, NY 189; Smoltz, Atl 157; Fernandez, NY 156; Viola, NY 155.

SAVES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Thigpen, Chi 49; Eckersley, Oak 42; Jones, Cle 34; Righetti, NY 31; Olson, Bal and Schooler, Sea 30.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Franco, NY 31; Myers, Cin 29; Smith, StL 25; Lefferts, SD and Smith, Hou 23.

COMPLETE GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Stewart, Oak and Morris, Det 8; Clemens, Bos 7; Gordon, KC, Brown and Witt, Tex, Leary, NY and Young, Sea 6.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 9; Maddux, Chi, Drabek, Pit, Martinez, Mtl, Hurst, SD and Viola, NY 7.

SHUTOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 4; Appier, KC and Stewart, Oak 3; 11 players tied with 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner and Boyd, Mtl, Viola, NY; Whitson and Hurst, SD 3.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - Rain pounded the already saturated Midwest as thunderstorms that produced damaging tornadoes continued while hot weather prevailed in the West and clouds covered the East.

Western and northern Wisconsin took the brunt of storm system that slammed the area Tuesday night and stayed into Wednesday, getting hit with at least 12 tornadoes and heavy rains.

Storms moved eastward Wednesday, extending over from just north of Wausau to Marinette, located on Green Bay, and the strongest storms were in Forest and Florence counties.

About a dozen tornadoes whipped through rural Barron County in western Wisconsin Tuesday night downing telephone lines and damaging buildings while heavy rains caused flooding, but no injuries were reported, authorities said.

Rice Lake Police Chief Emmett Ingstrum said many tornadoes were spotted in the area, but few touched down. One tornado touched down in the nearby village of Canton, which was hit hard by the storms, and there was a report a twister tipped over a trailer home a mile from Rice Lake, Ingstrum said.

Thunderstorms hit the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, southeast Illinois and west central Indiana Wednesday, where torrential rain prompted the National Weather Service to issue flood an urban and small stream flood advisory.

Weak high pressure stalled over the South, keeping the hot weather in the region. Scattered thunderstorms accompanied by scattered hail gave some relief in Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi and coastal North Carolina.

Hot weather clear skies were common in most of the West, except for low clouds along the coast of Washington and Oregon. In some communities surrounding Los Angeles, temperatures hovered at 100.

Las Vegas registered 107, which is 11 degrees above normal. In Arizona high readings were at near-record levels, and high temperatures were reported throughout Utah, Idaho and Colorado.

Thickening clouds moved through western Pennsylvania, while skies remained mostly clear in western New York and throughout the Northeast Wednesday. Patches of fog developed in several coastal areas.

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SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 12) UPI - Former state Rep. Genevieve Atwood and former state Sen. Karl Snow easily captured Republican nominations Tuesday in Utah's primary election for Congress.

Atwood, a two-term former state lawmaker who became the nation's first woman state geologist in 1981, beat Salt Lake City businessman and former Rep. Dan Marriott by more than 6,000 votes in the 2nd District race.

In the final unofficial tally, Marriott, who left his House seat after four terms in 1984 in an unsuccessful bid for governor, received 15,711 votes against Atwood's 22,089.

Atwood will face 8-year Rep. Wayne Owens, D-Utah, Independent Party candidate Larry Topham and Eleanor Garcia of the Socialist Workers Party in the November general election.

Marriott said the results were ''skewed'' by independents and Democrats who crossed over to vote for his opponent. Utah election laws do not

require voters to register by party.

''The crossover between independents and Democrats proved to be what we lost it by,'' Marriott said, adding he will ''absolutely support'' Atwood in her bid to unseat Owens. ''The enemy is Wayne Owens,'' he said.

In the 3rd District race, Snow defeated businessman and former California state senator and interim lieutenant governor John Harmer by nearly a 2-1 margin. Snow received 29,187 votes to 14,891 for Harmer.

Snow advances to the November general election against Democrat Bill Orton Robert Smith of the American Party and Anthony Dutrow of the Socialist Workers Party. The winner replaces retiring four-term GOP Rep. Howard Nielson.

In the 1st District, Democrat Kenley Brunsdale and Reva Marx Wadsworth of the American Party will face five-term Rep. James Hansen, R-Utah, in the November general election.

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (SEPT. 12) UPI - Gunmen fired on a yellow taxi they mistook for a same-colored police vehicle, killing three civilians during factional violence in black townships overnight after attackers fired on a police car and killed a lawman, police said Wednesday.

The attacks south of Johannesburg, in the nation's largest black township of Soweto, coincided with raging battles in three settlements to the east and the death of at least 21 people in clashes between rival groups.

Business Day newspaper reported several policeman saying they were ''too scared'' to go into the townships to quell the fighting, which has defied emergency measures and effective martial law imposed Aug. 26.

The latest violence followed a warning Tuesday from black leader Nelson Mandela that talks aimed at ending white minority rule may collapse if the government fails to crush the wave of internecine strife which has killed some 630 people since flaring Aug. 12.

Police said a gunman fired with an AK-47 assault rifle on the mini- bus taxi, painted the same shade of yellow as police vehicles, outside the flashpoint Nancefield migrant-worker hostel in Soweto.

Another gunman standing by later fired several rounds at the wreck of the vehicle, they said.

The three people died instantly and four were seriously injured, spokesman

Lt. Govindsamy Mariemuthoo said, after ''the attacker obviously made the mistake of thinking the van was police issue.''

Mariemuthoo said a number of attackers earlier ambushed a police patrol vehicle after it was lured into Soweto's Deipkloof squatter camp to investigate a complaint people were carrying AK-47 assault rifles.

''When they arrived, they were told the people had left, but as they were driving down a side road, they hit the ambush,'' he said.

Their vehicle took ''plenty of rounds,'' he added, noting one constable died on the way to hospital and another three were seriously hurt.

Police said at least 21 people died in clashes in Vosloorus, Tembisa, and Thokoza since late Tuesday, many when Zulu hostel-dwellers and supporters of the Inkatha movement rampaged through townships randomly attacking residents - predominantly Xhosa followers of Mandela's African National Congress.

Mandela told President Frederik de Klerk in a two-hour meeting Tuesday pressure was mounting on the ANC to arm its supporters and resume the ''armed struggle'' suspended last month after 29 years.

Despite assurances from de Klerk police were acting impartially and that the government was deeply concerned about the violence, Mandela said Pretoria must use its capacity to bring back calm or face a possible breakdown of fledgling talks between it and the ANC on ending 42 years of white minority rule.

Mandela did not specify steps to be taken, but has branded the three-month renewable emergency measures imposed in the 27 hardest-hit townships straddling Johannesburg ''totally useless.''

He has noted a 51-month-old state of emergency in strife-torn Natal province has failed to stem battles between the ANC and Inkatha, which since 1987 have killed up to 4,000 people.

But Mandela has refused to meet directly with Inkatha President Mangosuthu Buthelezi, charging the Zulu chief is fomenting the conflict to undermine the ANC's preeminent position amonth black movements before formal power-sharing talks with the government.

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BEIJING (SEPT. 12) UPI - An underground group of activists from the pro-democracy movement last year, some recently freed from prison, has publicly broken with two exiled student leaders and accused them of

''money grubbing'' in their activities overseas.

The group delivered the criticism in a printed statement obtained this week by United Press International. The statement was relayed by other known activists in last year's student-led protests, some of them associates of the two exiled leaders.

The statement, dated Sept. 9, was attributed to ''former inmates of Qincheng and other prisons, along with Beijing teachers and students who participated'' in the six weeks of demonstrations for greater freedom, crushed by the government June 3-4 1989.

As many as 200 students and intellectuals were once held in the top-secret Qincheng Prison north of Beijing over their activities during the unrest. Most have been released except for about 40 students who may be tried, according to former detainees.

The statement attacked the student leaders Wu'erkaixi and Li Lu, both of whom managed to flee China after the crackdown via an ''underground railroad.'' Both have been prominent in exile dissident activities since then.

The group called both ''unconvertible scoundrels'' and dissociated itself from the charismatic pair.

''University students in Beijing never elected Wu'erkaixi or Li Lu as their 'leaders,''' the statement said.

''The pronouncements and behavior of Li Lu and Wu'erkaixi by no means represents Beijing university students. They are responsible for their own actions and we especially cannot tolerate their deceitful money grubbing abroad,'' it said.

The statement went on to accuse the two former student activists of ''despicable conduct'' and even of espionage.

''(Li Lu) said he was a student from Nanjing University, but he had no student I.D.,'' it said. ''Students who were in contact with him at the time were disgusted by his wild words and deceitful conduct.''

''Some people offered evidence that (Li) was a spy who infiltrated the student movement in order to destroy it,'' the activists charged.

The tone of the statement sounded similar to propaganda attacks on exiled dissidents by China's government and state press, but it also recalled the frequent fierce infighting among the student activists themselves throughout last year's movement.

The Chinese government has smugly reported tales of dissident excess abroad, claiming the flashy behavior of individuals such as Wu'erkaixi characterizes the misguided nature of the student-led movement as a whole.

Wu'er and Li, former university students who frequently grabbed the spotlight during the 1989 protests, eluded a massive manhunt for leading democracy activists that followed the June 4 crackdown. They surfaced in Paris and later in the United States.

Wu'er and Li became key figures in the Federation for a Democratic China, an international organization formed by exiled dissidents to unite overseas opposition to China's hard-line government.

But both the activists and the organization have fallen into disfavor following factional infighting and revelations of extravagant spending.

Wu'erkaixi, a 22-year-old native of China's remote Xinjiang province, was accepted at Harvard University but dropped out after several months.

Recent interviews with Wu'er by the Western press paint an unflattering picture of a gluttonous, abrasive opportunist who speaks more often of his personal loves - food and women - than any abiding dreams of democracy.

The anonymous statement accused both Wu'er and Li of breaking their fasts during a week-long student hunger strike in Beijing's Tiananmen Square at the height of the democracy movement.

The government made similar accusations, releasing surveillance footage of Wu'er eating at a restaurant.

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#90255u0514 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 12) UPI - Stock prices rebounded sharply on the Tokyo Stock Exchange Wednesday on new hopes the United States will act to address its budget deficit following a speech to Congress by President Bush.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues jumped 611.48 points, or 2.5 percent, to 25,216.14. The Nikkei lost 476.24 points Tuesday.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all leading shares, which lost 22.58 points Tuesday, gained 33.02 points to 1, 913.72.

Volume rose sharply, as an estimated 530 million shares changed hands, compared with 406 million shares Tuesday.

The market opened quiet and charged ahead around midday as Bush's speech reached the trading floor, analysts said.

Investors interpreted the speech to mean that Bush expects to forge an agreement on cutting the U.S.'s towering budget deficit ahead of a looming deadline, market watchers said.

''That would mean a better chance that the Federal Reserve will ease interest rates, and that might relieve some of the pressure here,'' said broker Julian Jones of W.I. Carr Securities.

Also boosting the market were rumors of a substantial new investment fund entering the market.

If true, it would represent the first substantial infusion of fresh funds since the middle of the summer, analysts noted.

Buying was broad with all sectors except communications on the rise. Communications continued to be weighted down by the Nippon Telegraph and Telephone issues, which fell sharply.

Within the sectors, investors snapped up low-priced shares, especially those that had fallen steeply in recent weeks.

Additionally, there were heavy arbitrage-related purchases of the 225 issues that make up Nikkei average.

Analysts said those stocks were purchased for use in arbitrage against futures based on the Nikkei.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks rose in light trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange amid indications of a lowering of U.S. interest rates.

The key Hang Seng Index, which slipped 4.17 points Tuesday, rebounded 20.47 points to 3,105.04.

Among the narrrower indexes, financials gained 12.33, utilities rose 15.40 industrials climbed 23.75 and properties jumped 42.57 points.

Volume remained light as an estimated 650 million shares changed hands, compared with 480 million shares Tuesday, which was the lowest volume in more than eight months.

Analysts said reports Bush indicated during a speech before Congress that the Federal Reserve would ease interest rates sparked a limited rally.

''It seems that the Federal Reserve will definitely have to ease monetary policy to stave off a resession,'' said David Harman of Morgan Grenfell. ''We are looking for lower interest rates over the next week.''

However, brokers said trading remained spotty in the face of continued uncertainty in the Gulf, with buying focusing on a limited number of blue chips.

In Bangkok, stock prices fell sharply on the Thailand Stock Exchange in slow trading for the second straight day amid concerns over surging world oil prices.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index, which slipped 11.64 points Tuesday, lost another 23.70 points or about 2.9 percent to 804.46.

Volume amounted to around 1.7 billion shares, compared with 1.4 billion shares Tuesday.

''The market fell because investors were uncertain about the situation in oil rich Middle East,'' said Suwit Mapaisansin, of Phatra Thanakit Co., Ltd.

''Oil price increases caused everything to become worse, particularly since laborers have begun to ask for higher wages,'' Mapaisansin added.

In Singapore, stocks rose in thin trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange sparked by hopes the United States will cut its huge budget deficit.

The closely-watched Straits Times Industrial Index, which eased 3.32 points Tuesday, rebounded 5.56 points to 1,248.74. The narrower All Singapore Index rose 0.93 point to 351.17.

An estimated 65.3 million shares changed hands, compared with 47.6 million shares Tuesday.

Analysts said investors were encouraged by Bush's comments indicating the United States's budget deficit would be adressed and that oil supplies would be unaffected by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

There was also a spurt of bargain hunting following Tuesday's decline.

On tye trading floor, Far East Shipping paced the advancing issues followed bySungei Way and Shangri-la.

IMC Holdings Ltd. led the declining stocks followed by Hong Leong Industies and Development Bank of Singapore (foreign) shares.

In Australia, stock prices closed sharply higher on the Sydney Sharemarket on Bush's comments oil supplies would be unaffected by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The All Ordinaries Index, which eased 0.5 point Tuesday, rebounded 13.2

points to 1,512.6.

Volume remained well below average as only 77.8 million shares changed hands, compared with 62.6 million shares Tuesday.

Bush's comments triggered a rally in Tokyo and the Sydney market followed suit.

On the trading floor, market heavyweight BHP Oil led the rally rising 10 cents to $11.50.

Other blue chips to perform well included CRA gaining 25 cents to $11.55, MIM adding 6 cents to $2.38, Brambles climbing 30 cents to $13.80 and Lend Lease adding 10 cents to $14.00.

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#90255u0527 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - She started drinking six years ago, and now the 19-year-old Sioux woman's daily routine is sharing a case of beer with her friends despite her pregnancy, now in its fifth month.

She doesn't like beer, but she says it gives her something to do on the South Dakota Indian reservation. And besides, ''It makes me feel good.''

A couple of weeks ago, the woman, who wished to remain anonymous, experienced abdominal pains and learned the reality of guzzling about five bottles of beer a day while pregnant - fetal alcohol syndrome.

''I went to the hospital and they said my blood-alcohol level was above what it should have been. They said it was over 0.4,'' she said matter-of-factly in a telephone interview just minutes before boarding a bus for a Denver inpatient treatment program.

In most states a blood-alcohol level of 0.1 is sufficient to be charged with driving while intoxicated. Sandy Cuny, the Sioux woman's counselor, said most people with 0.4 would be in a coma or a coffin, but the woman's body apparently had ''adjusted'' to the daily assault of beer.

There are no precise figures but the government says the incidence of fetal alcohol syndrome is about two to four times higher for Indians than for the general population. There are fewer than 4 million Indians, and the condition is present in an estimated 4 to 7 of every 1,000 births.

When a pregnant woman drinks, the alcohol reaches the fetus within a few minutes. Depending on the amount consumed, the baby probably will suffer fetal alcohol syndrome, or the less serious fetal alcohol effects.

Unless the mother suffers a miscarriage or stillbirth, the most frequent characteristics of fetal alcohol syndrome are: growth retardation; mental retardation; abnormal facial characteristics, such as flat face, short nose and no groove between the nose and mouth; limited finger and arm movement; malformed teeth; heart problems and poor coordination.

Babies diagnosed with fetal alcohol effects exhibit some, but not all, of those characteristics.

Nearly everyone in the Sioux woman's immediate and extended family drinks to kill time. Nobody told her that her alcohol consumption could kill her baby or affect its physical and mental development.

''I want to get help now. When I started having pain, I thought I was going to lose my baby,'' said the unmarried woman who has no job or high school diploma. ''I hope things turn out better (after treatment). I'm going to try to stop drinking.''

Her story is being repeated at alarming rates, especially among the native American population, which suffers from massive unemployment, crowded housing, acute poverty, limited health care and education on the condition.

''You hear about crack babies because crack babies exist where the national media exists. You don't find much media (on) reservations. Their problem is forgotten. No, not forgotten. It has never been understood,'' Sen. Thomas Daschle, D-S.D., said in an interview.

Although he sometimes feels nobody is listening, Daschle persists in trying to reach the public, the government and his congressional colleagues in his efforts to provide education for young Indians about the problem and encourage more responsible use of funds to fight it.

''The Indian Health Service may understand the problem, but they are virtually incompetent in dealing with it,'' Daschle said, citing budget cuts. ''They've prioritized, and unfortunately, fetal alcohol syndrome doesn't fit within their priorities.''

At his urging, a Senate Finance subcommittee plans hearings on fetal alcohol syndrome before Congress adjourns Oct. 5.

The Indian Health Service, part of the Department of Health and Human Services, distributed $350,000 in fiscal year 1990 among 12 area offices to deal with fetal alcohol syndrome. Of that, $100,000 was sent to the University of Washington for research projects.

''Our goal, certainly, is to prevent the problem. Prenatal care is available to everyone,'' said Dr. Jerry Lyle, an Indian Health Service pediatrician in Washington, D.C.

But Daschle said he ''couldn't disagree more'' with Lyle's contention that there are enough counselors on reservations or in Indian communities as did Jeaneen Grey Eagle, director of Project Recovery on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation where the Sioux woman lives.

The reservation, with 18,000 tribal members, has no on-site treatment center, has insufficient funds for preventive education and has just two midwives and three gynecologist-obstetricians.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - East and West Germany moved a step closer to unification today with the signing of the ''Two-plus-Four'' accord in Moscow. The agreement on external aspects of German unity was signed by foreign ministers from the victorious World War Two allies, plus the two Germanys. The four wartime allies are the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain and France. German re-unification is set to take place October 3rd.

President Bush delivered a tough message to Iraq last night in a nationally broadcast speech to Congress. He said Iraq will NOT be allowed to annex Kuwait, and he stressed that the U-S focus is on President Saddam Hussein- NOT on the Iraqi people. Bush is expected to deliver the same sort of message when he tapes a speech today for future broadcast on Baghdad television. .

Lawmakers last night interrupted the president's speech about 35 times for applause. In the official Democratic response, House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri said he supports the president's stand. He said the United States is in the Persian Gulf ''NOT simply for oil,'' but to defend the fundamental values ''of a more stable and decent world.''

The October 1st deadline is nearing for agreement on a deficit- cutting plan, and White House and congressional budget negotiators apparently are moving closer. Budget talks at Andrews Air Force Base near Washington resume this morning, and one source says the both saids are prepared to bargain all night if necessary. Differences on taxes and spending cuts reportedly have been narrowed.

An Illinois death-row inmate who said he was ready to die, was executed this morning by lethal injection at the Stateville Penitentiary in Joliet. Charles Walker is the first person executed in Illinois in 28 years. He was convicted of killing a couple in 1983 after robbing them of 40-dollars for beer. The 50-year-old Walker had rejected all appeals on his behalf.

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#90255u0580 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 12) UPI - Millionaire businessman Fife Symington won the Republican nomination for governor of Arizona yesterday, ending the comeback hopes of Evan Mecham. Former Governor Mecham conceded defeat with less than half the votes counted. He was impeached in 1988. In Washington, D- C, political novice Sharon Dixon won the Democratic mayoral primary, and is likely to succeed Marion Barry.

Three youths were given the maximum jail term for juveniles yesterday for their convictions in New York's Central Park jogger rape case. State Supreme Court Justice Thomas Galligan sentenced each of the trio to five to 10 years in prison, which means they'll be eligible for parole in five years. Defense Attorney William Kunstler calls it ''a legal lynching,'' and accused the judge of racial bias.

Hearings on Supreme Court nominee David Souter begin tomorrow before the Senate Judiciary Committee, and the chances of confirmation appear good. Liberal activists, including abortion rights activists, have voiced questions about Souter. But Judiciary Committee Chairman Joseph Biden says his staff found few specifics- positive or negative- about Souter's judicial philosophy, despite a thorough investigation.

The race is on to try to save the New York Post, with a new Friday deadline looming. Publisher Peter Kalikow says he is losing 27-Million dollars a year on the paper. He threatens to close the 189-year-old Post Friday if the unions do NOT make concessions that will help close the financial gap. Union chief George McDonald says he is optimistic a deal can be worked out.

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#90255u0652 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 12) UPI - Three weeks from today there may be just one Germany. Foreign ministers from East and West Germany and the four Allied nations of World War Two signed a treaty in Moscow today allowing re-unification on October 3rd.

President Bush says bluntly- ''Iraq will NOT be permitted to annex Kuwait.'' That was his main message last night in an address to Congress. Bush added- ''That's NOT a threat or a boast; that's just the way it is going to be.'' Today. Bush tapes a message to be broadcast in Iraq. He's expected to be equally firm.

Judge David Souter appears tomorrow before the Senate Judiciary Committee which will recommend whether he should go to the Supreme Court. Abortion rights advocates have been the most critical of Souter's nomination.

The General Accounting Office says the federal fund insuring bank deposits

is in its greatest danger since the Great Depression. The fund lost 852-Million dollars in 1989. Regulators say this year's loss will be even worse.

Thre F-A-A says communications breakdown caused a United Airlines D- C-10 and a commuter plane to fly dangerously close to each other over southern Wisconsin this week. The National Air Traffic Controllers Association says the jets came within 100 feet of each other on Monday.

NASA engineers still doN'T know why hydrogen leaked in the shuttle Columbia last week. Tests on pumps from Columbia have ruled them out as the cause. The space agency has scheduled a new launch date next Tuesday.

Political newcomer Sharon Dixon is expected to become the next mayor of Washington, D-C. She won yesterday's five-person Democratic primary. Her opponent in November, Maurice Turner, is a longshot because Washington has few Republican voters.

Convicted double murderer Charles Walker was executed by injection in Illinois this morning. Walker said he wanted to die and his last words to warden Thomas Roth were- ''You're a good man.''

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#90255u0671 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 12) UPI - At least four people claim they are running the west African nation of Liberia. An end to fighting between two rebel groups is NOT in sight. A diplomat says Monrovia is empty and people are in hiding. President Samuel Doe was shot and killed Sunday.

Colombia turned over two drug trafficking suspects to U-S agents yesterday. They are the first extradited since the new Colombian president took over last month.

Georgia's Augusta National Golf Club, site of the Masters, has admitted its first black member. Civil rights groups have threatened protests at segregated golf courses that host professional tournaments.

Exxon says it is dismantling its oil spill clean-up force in Alaska for the winter. Some oil remains from the Exxon Valdez accident in March 1989. But an Exxon spokesman says in general the shorelines look good.

Victor Ostrovsky, a former agent who has written a book about Israeli spying, fears Israeli agents will kill him. His publisher says he is in hiding in Canada. Israel won an injunction in an Ontario court banning his book.

Four years ago today, Joseph Cicippio was taken hostage in Lebanon. His

family in Norristown, Pennsyvlania, says the only word since his kidnapping was a videotape one year ago.

Atlanta Roman Catholic officials say a second priest gave money Vicki Long the woman linked to a sex scandal with an archbishop who resigned. The priest allegedly gave her one- to two-thousand dollars from his parish charity fund.

The Texas prison board has ordered a review of the use of convicts in training tracking dogs. A controversy arose when a vice chairman invited friends to a hunt of prisoners by guards using the dogs.

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#90255u0697 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

COPENHAGEN, DENMARK (SEPT. 12) UPI - A twin-engine Cessna 441 plane carrying eight people on a Greenland airlines flight to Canada disappeared west of Greenland and search efforts were underway Wednesday, Danish officials said.

The twin-turboprop aircraft operated by the small Greenland airline Nuna Air was flying from Sondre Stromfjord, Greenland to Goose Bay, Canada when it disappeared from radar screens Tuesday, said air traffic authority spokesman Sten Bersan.

''We do not know what has happened to it or where it is,'' Bersan said of the plane carrying six passengers and two pilots. ''We lost contact with it ...''

Bersan said Danish Air Force aircraft and Greenland commercial planes were searching for the missing plane, but were hampered by bad weather.

''The weather conditions are not very good,'' he said. ''It is raining and there is possibility for snow. The visibility is poor.''

A search for the Cessna, which can carry as many as 10 people, started Tuesday evening, but the search planes turned around when it became dark and returned Wednesday at dawn.

''We will continue the search as long as there is a hope of finding them alive,'' Bersan said.

He would not reveal the identity or nationalities of the crew and passengers.

Word of the missing plane came a day after Canadian authorities reported a Peruvian Boeing 727 flying from Iceland to Canada with 15 people aboard went down Tuesday in the northern Atlantic Ocean about 180 miles south of

Newfoundland.

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#90255u0715 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 11: Purchases of 379,517 shares and sales of 482,229 shares including 76,904 shares sold short.

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#90255u0738 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 12) UPI - The four victorious World War Two allies gave their blessing today to German unification, signing an accord that clears the way for re- unification October 3rd. The agreement was signed in Moscow by foreign ministers from France, Britain, the United States and the Soviet Union, plus representatives from East and West Germany. .

One of the last major obstacles to German unification was cleared Monday when Soviet President Gorbachev and West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl agreed on a compromise sum to be paid by Germany. The united Germany will pay more than seven-BILLION dollars to help withdraw 380-thousand Soviet troops from what's now East Germany.

President Bush tapes a message today for use on Iraqi television. It's in response to an invitation from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein , and will give Bush an opportunity to explain to the Iraqi people the world's response to the invasion of Kuwait. The White House doubts Saddam will allow the message to be aired.

Defense Secretary Cheney says the U-S military operation in Saudi Arabia will cost nearly three-BILLION dollars through September 30th, the end of fiscal 1990. He told a Senate panel yesterday it will cost another 15-BILLION dollars through fiscal 1991, if there is NO fighting. He expects about half the cost to be offset by other nations.

The House is expected to vote today on the question of getting other countries to pay more of the costs of keeping U-S troops based overseas. It's part of the debate on the 1991 defense authorization bill. Yesterday, the House voted to temporarily bar the Navy from closing a port facility in Staten Island, New York.

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#90255u0741 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
MANILA, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 12) UPI - President Corazon Aquino suspended military operations against communist rebels Wednesday in the capital and

areas devastated by an earthquake as a step toward the resumption of peace talks.

But the guerrillas, in a special issue of their underground publication Liberation, denounced the gesture, saying the ''solution to the crisis gripping the nation lies not in cease-fires, whether selective or nationwide.''

The rebel publication said the government should address ''the basic issues of foreign domination, land reform, massive poverty and mounting repression.''

The military, meanwhile, reported two militia members were killed and two police officers wounded in clashes Wednesday with the communist rebel New People's Army in Catbalogan in the central island of Samar.

Talks with the 19,000-strong communist rebel army, which is leading the rebellion for a Marxist state over the past 21 years, bogged down in February 1987 after the guerrillas demanded to share power.

Aquino ordered the suspension of military operations in the capital and the provinces of Nueva Viscaya, Mountain Province and the highland resort of Baguio ravaged by the July 16 quake.

But she said law enforcement should be maintained to ensure peace and order.

The suspension order was released during a meeting between her representatives and church and human rights groups proposing a cease- fire with all rebel forces as a step toward national reconciliation.

Peace advocates said the truce would allow the country to concentrate on efforts to rebuild areas damaged by the temblor and address the impact of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Justice Secretary Franklin Drilon said rebel soldiers, who have tried six times to oust Aquino since she came to power in February 1986 after the ouster of President Ferdinand Marcos, were not included in the latest truce because they have ''opted not to participate but resume their hostilities.''

Also Wednesday, Vice President Salvador Laurel, excluded by Aquino in a consultative council Friday to discuss national problems, convened his own ''crisis forum'' that tackled the effects of the gulf crisis.

A resolution released by the Laurel's forum recommended any increase in oil prices should be shouldered by the government to avoid worsening the Philippine economy.

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#90255u0751 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 12) UPI - Preliminary numbers for the 1990 census came up short of estimates, but officials say the totals probably will increase as follow-up work continues. Census Director Barbara Bryant told a House panel yesterday ''the census is still in progress,'' with the final count to be delivered to the president by December 31st. .

Initial figures put the nation's population at 245-Million 837- thousand- short of the estimated 250-Million. The final figures are used to apportion representation in the House and determine federal funds for various areas. Some lawmakers call the census a failure, and say minorities were undercounted.

A Los Angeles jury awarded nearly two-Million dollars to a former Hughes Aircraft worker who was fired after he accused the company of overcharging the government. The jury yesterday found that Hughes discriminated against Bobby Coffey, and upheld his claim that the firm overcharged the government on defense contracts.

Israel yesterday welcomed its 100-thousandth immigrant this year, a retired Jewish shoemaker from Leningrad. A ranking government official says he hopes the same number of immigrants will arrive before the year's end. Almost 90-thousand of the new immigrants this year came from the Soviet Union.

California researchers say a new study shows that drinking four or more cups of coffee a day boosts the risk of heart attack by about 40 percent. That's a reversal of results from a 1973 study by researchers at the Kaiser-Permanente Medical Center in Oakland. The 1973 survey found NO link between coffee and heart attacks.

The first official attempts at human gene therapy won final approval yesterday from the National Institutes of Health. Researchers expect to begin the historic tests in sick children by the end of the month. N-I-H researchers agreed NOT to start the treatments until they get a verbal go-ahead from top Food and Drug Administration officials. That's expected within days.

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#90255u0761 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
HOUSTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - ComputerCraft, the Houston-based computer retailer that expanded with the advent of the personal computer and then drastically cut back in the mid-1980s, is moving its headquarters to San Jose, Calif.

ComputerCraft will close its Houston headquarters by Oct. 15 and move in with its parent company, San Jose-based Businessland, to help improve operating efficiences, ComputerCraft President Brian Leeland said Tuesday.

ComputerCraft was founded in Houston in 1977, and was bought by Businessland in 1988.

The number of ComputerCraft stores has dropped from 23 to 20 in recent months and is about to shrink again, Leeland said. The company plans to close or consolidate five stores, leaving it with 15 stores, of which five are in Houston.

Once known as the world's largest Apple Computer dealer, ComputerCraft had about 60 stores and 650 employees by 1985 but had to drastically cut back as the U.S. computer industry hit a sales dip.

Since Businessland bought the company, its accounting, planning and marketing operations in Houston have been separate from Businessland's computer buyers, who handle purchases for all Businessland stores, Leeland said.

ComputerCraft's purchasing operations will be combined with Businessland's to increase sales and marketing efficiencies.

''Initially, I was convinced we would leave it (the headquarters) down there, but it became obvious that we need better integration,'' Leeland said.

Only two ComputerCraft employees decided to transfer to San Jose. Several employees have joined Armand Shapiro, former ComputerCraft president, at his new company, Garden Ridge Pottery.

Shapiro resigned from ComputerCraft in April and now is chairman of Garden Ridge.

Some ComputerCraft employees have joined Businessland. Leeland said several turned down jobs in California because of the higher cost of living there.

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#90255u0778 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

EAST BERLIN (SEPT. 12) UPI - Several thousand Berliners Wednesday cheered former President Reagan as he crossed from West to East Berlin near the spot where he once urged Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to ''tear down this wall.''

Shouts of ''Danke, Herr Reagan'' - ''Thank you Mr. Reagan'' - echoed under the arches of the Brandenburg Gate, where the former president made the now historic speech in June 1987.

This time, Reagan and his wife Nancy could not see the wall from the 12-pillared monument, long a symbol of the Iron Curtain that divided East and West.

Just over two years after Reagan stood at the Brandenburg Gate and urged ''Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall,'' the Berlin Wall was opened for free travel on Nov. 9, 1989. Since then, much of it has been torn down.

''I'm not going to miss it and I don't think you will either,'' a beaming Reagan told a group of Germans who greeted him after he crossed from West to East Berlin.

Later in the day, Reagan signed the East Berlin visitors book at the Staatsrat - a building formerly used by the communist head of state, in which parliamentary President Sabine Bergman-Pohl now receives foreign guests.

Reagan offered his help to a united Germany.

''If by any chance they need outside help, I would be happy to be of assistance,'' he said.

In a brief remark in the crisis in the Persian Gulf, Reagan said the standoff had brought about more international unity ''than I can recall ever in the world ... over a problem like this.''

The former president and his wife walked from the Reichstag - the former German parliament - to the Brandenburg Gate, along the area where the wall used to be. They were accompanied by West Berlin Mayor Walter Momper and West German parliamentary President Rita Suesmuth.

They paused briefly on the western side of the Brandenburg gate, where a man in the crowd played military marching tunes on a trumpet.

More than 2,000 people, many cheering and waving, welcomed the group on the eastern side of the gate, where Reagan shook hands and chatted with several Berliners and visitors.

''What a wonderful surprise. We did not even know he would be here,'' said Petra van Klugt, a Dutch national in her early sixties, proudly showing a piece of paper bearing Reagan's autograph.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - The crack cocaine epidemic appears to be causing a rash of strokes among young users, and smoking crack may be like playing ''Russian roulette'' for people with weakened blood vessels in the brain, researchers said Wednesday.

A study involving 28 people who suffered strokes within 72 hours of using crack found a strong link between drug use and the appearance of brain-damaging hemorraghes and blockages of blood vessels.

People who have abnormalities in brain blood vessels, such as weaknesses in the vessel walls, may be especially prone to crack-induced strokes, said the study's director, Dr. Steven Levine of the Henry Ford Hospital and Health Science Center in Detroit.

Levine said about 1 percent of the population has such abnormalities, but in most they go undetected and do not cause health problems.

For some of these people, however, smoking crack may amount to playing ''Russian roulette'' with the risk of stroke, he said, adding ''We'd like to get the word out: 'Folks, no joke, crack causes stroke.' ''

Crack is a potent form of cocaine that is made by heating a liquid solution of cocaine hydrochloride with sodium bicarbonate or ammonia. The resulting substance generally is smoked.

Despite the widespread use of crack and reports dating to the late 1970s linking crack use with strokes, little had been known prior to the new study about the clinical aspects of crack-associated strokes, Levine and colleages reported in The New England Journal of Medicine.

They said the crack users in the study, 10 women and 18 men who ranged in age from 23 to 49, suffered from various kinds of strokes. In 18 people, the blood supply was choked off to blood vessels in different parts of the brain while in the remaining 10, blood vessels hemorraghed.

In those people who suffered ''ischemic'' strokes, in which the blood supply was interrupted, the vessels were blocked in some cases and in others, had contracted, ''clamping off'' the blood, said Levine. He said diagnoses were made through use of computed tomography, or CT, scans and magnetic resonance imaging, which create electronic images of the brain.

Levine said 15 of the stroke patients had severe headaches as early symptoms. Other symptoms included seizures, loss of consciousness, lethargy, loss of voice, loss of vision and confusion.

Two of the stroke victims died - one 72 hours after using crack and another 10 days after consuming large amounts of the drug, the researchers

said.

An autopsy performed on one of those who died revealed arteries on the left side of the brain that were smaller than their counterparts on the right side, but Levine said the researchers do not know what role, if any, this abnormality might have played in the stroke.

Some of the patients were left with permanent stroke-related impairements, but most recovered fully, which Levine credits to their relatively young ages. ''Most young stroke victims do quite well,'' he said.

Levine said he thinks the number of strokes in the United States that have been linked to crack use may only represent the tip of the iceberg. ''We believe there are a lot more cases than have so far been reported,'' he said.

Because strokes in people under 45 are unusual, representing only about 5 percent of the total, Levine said doctors caring for young stroke victims would be well advised to screen them for drug use.

Although the study did not directly address the question of which people might be more prone to have crack-related strokes, the scientists said the research suggests that people with blood vessel abnormalities such as ''cerebral aneurysms or vascular malformations may be more likely to have intracranial hemorrhage after using cocaine.''

They said more study is needed to tell whether other factors, such as high blood pressure, cigarette smoking, alcohol use or genetic influences, also might predispose people to crack-related strokes.

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#90255u0803 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 12) UPI - Three years ago President Reagan stood at the Berlin Wall and directed this message to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev- ''Tear down this wall.'' The wall came down last year. The former president and his wife, Nancy, returned to Berlin today and stood near where the wall used to be. Thousands of East and West Berliners, who will soon be citizens of the same country, cheered. In Moscow today, foreign ministers of six nations signed a treaty clearing the way for German re-unification three weeks from today.

A Washington source close to the budget negotiations says there's ''general agreement'' for new taxes amounting to 130-BILLION dollars over the next five years. The Democrats and Republicans still have differences over the makeup of the tax package. The source also reports general agreement on defense cuts that are closer to the Democratic position than the Republican one. Sources say a plan for reducing the deficit may be

ready as early as today.

The auto industry is fighting a Senate attempt to make cars get more miles to the gallon. A bill in the Senate would require carmakers to increase their average fuel efficiency to 40 miles a gallon by 2001. The current standard is 27 and one-half miles. The automakers argue they would have to build smaller, lighter cars. The result would be reduced safety, lower sales and lost jobs.

The fuel pumps NASA engineers believed were responsible for leaks on the shuttle Columbia were flown to Houston yesterday and tested. They leak all right, but NOT enough to account for the problem. More tests are scheduled. Bascom Murrah, a space agency manager, says there are NO guarantees the leak problem has been solved. But the space agency has set a launch date of next Tuesday for the much delayed Columbia flight.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $383.50, silver base of $4.86 and platinum price of $456.00:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$399.30	394.40
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	204.90	202.40
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.20	103.90
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.50	42.90
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	399.30	394.40
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	204.90	202.40
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.70	104.40
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.50	42.90
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	405.70	400.80
China Panda .50 troy oz.	209.00	206.50
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.40	107.10
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.80	46.20
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.00	27.60
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	399.40	394.60
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	204.10	201.60
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.10	101.90
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.40	43.90
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	397.60	392.60
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	205.80	203.30
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.60	104.30
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.90	44.40
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	397.40	392.40
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	204.40	201.80
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.70	85.60

Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	44.80
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.10	22.90
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.25	$6.17
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,520	$3,460
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,525	$1,500
Platinum		
Australian Koala	479.00	474.00
Isle of Man Noble	467.00	463.00
Canada Maple Leaf	479.00	474.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - Cambodian leaders are calling for a voluntary cease-fire among the various fighting groups. They have stopped their war of words against each other. Rebel groups and the government have accepted a U-N peace plan. But a cease-fire under that agreement is NOT expected until November. As part of the agreement, the four parties have established a Supreme National Council.

Three civilians were killed during the night in a black township of South Africa when gunmen fired on a yellow taxi they apparently thought was a police car. Four others were seriously injured. Other attackers fired on a police car and killed an officer. A newspaper quotes South African police as saying they are too scared to go into black areas to stop the fighting.

A federal appeals court says a hearing must be held to determine whether a Georgia man who pleaded guilty to murder 21 years ago was mentally competent. The court says Joel Tiller's rights were violated when the plea was accepted despite evidence of incompetency. Tiller is serving a life sentence in Georgia. The appeals court says if a competency hearing can NOT be held, Georgia will have to free Tiller or re-try him.

The New England Aquarium in Boston will wait before sending a dolphin to the U-S Navy. Animal rights activists are trying to block the move and a hearing in a federal court is scheduled next week. The aquarium says it will await results of the hearing. The aquarium says the male bottlenose dolphin, Rainbow, is too aggressive with other dolphins. The navy

apparently would train it for military purposes.

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#90255u0827 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - Packaging Corp. of America, a subsidiary of the Houston-based Tenneco, is negotiating with Georgia-Pacific Corp. to acquire a package of mills, plants and more than 540,000 acres of timberland for $740 million.

The deal, announced late Tuesday, would make PCA one of the 10 largest paper products makers in the world. It involves timberland in Wisconsin, Michigan, Georgia and Florida.

PCA, based in Evanston, Ill., is working with GE Capital and other major investors. The transaction is subject to a definitive agreement and approval of directors of Tenneco and Georgia-Pacific.

Under preliminary terms, GE Capital would buy paper mills in Valdosta, Ga. and Tomahawk, Wis., and lease them to PCA.

Similarly, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. and Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. will buy the timberland and lease it to the Tenneco subsidiary.

Tom Slocum, Tenneco's executive director of corporate communications, said the deal represents a major revenue boost for PCA, already a star performer at Tenneco.

''It's going to make them a much bigger player in that industry,'' Slocum said. ''We look at it as nothing but an opportunity for PCA.''

The Tenneco unit, which last year reported revenues of $1.3 billion and operating income of $200 million, already operates more than 60 plants and mills in the United States and manages thousands of acres of forestland.

PCA, employing 9,000 people, makes paper, plastic and cardboard products, including egg cartons, fast-food trays, tissue paper and detergent boxes.

Company officials declined to detail the lease arrangements or say how much they will cost Tenneco. Slocum said the leasing approach is a way to hold down the debt load at Tenneco.

''We think it's an innovative financial move that allows PCA to use the assets and still protect its balance sheet,'' Slocum said. ''Maybe down the road there could be an option to buy.''

The Georgia-Pacific assets have been for sale since May when the paper and

timber giant completed its $3.8 billion buyout of Connecticut- based Great Northern Nekoosa Corp.

While the deal solidified Georgia-Pacific's standing as the world's largest forest products company, it also brought on $1.3 billion in debt previously owned by Great Northern.

Sheila Weidman, Georgia-Pacific's manager of corporate communications, said the holdings now at the center of the Tenneco discussions were put up for sale because they did not fit in with the post-acquisition Georgia-Pacific.

Weidman said the company's debt as a percent of its capital has risen as a result of the Great Northern Nekoosa acquisition. The company is aiming for a 40 percent to 45 percent debt-to-capital ratio, she said.

Weidman said Georgia-Pacific also is trying to sell a mill in Toledo, Ore. and box plants in Modesto, Calif., and Olympia, Wash.

The company wants to sell those assets as a package, she said.

Georgia-Pacific employs more than 60,000 workers.

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JERUSALEM (SEPT. 12) UPI - Foreign Minister David Levy said Wednesday greater Soviet involvement in the peace process could come if Moscow stopped selling arms to Arab nations and pressured those countries to make peace with Israel.

Levy's comments came as a high-level Israeli Foreign Ministry delegation left for talks in Moscow at the invitation from Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze. The mission was described by one government source as ''the most important visit in some time'' from a political standpoint.

The Soviet Union severed ties with Israel after the 1967 Israeli-Arab war. Relations between the two have warmed in recent years with an exchange of consular missions and cultural exchanges.

After the superpower summit meeting with President Bush in Helsinki Sunday Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev said he had received assurances Washington no longer opposed greater Soviet involvement in the Middle East.

Subsequently, The New York Times suggested Bush had moved away from long-standing U.S. efforts to limit Soviet participation in the region.

As the foreign minister addressed the issue of greater Soviet involvement

in the Middle East, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir welcomed the arrival of the first of 18 U.S.-made advanced Apache helicopters.

Shamir said the shipment indicated Washington's obligation to maintain Israel's ''qualitative edge'' in the region and foreshadowed the arrival of additional military hardware in the coming weeks and months.

''There is a risk of war of course and we hope there will not be war in this area,'' Shamir said of the Persian Gulf crisis. ''But we have to take into account the existing risks.''

Levy, returning from his first meeting with Secretary of State James Baker in Washington, also told reporters U.S.- Israeli relations had been strengthened and each side had a better understanding of the other's needs.

On the issue of Moscow's role in the Arab-Israeli peace process, Levy said increased participation by Moscow could come ''if they end the delivery of arms to the Arab countries and preach (to) them, direct them and put pressure on them to make peace with Israel.''

''Then (Moscow) will be a welcome partner, not based on our determination but on her policy,'' he said.

Israel has steadfastly opposed calls for an international peace conference which under one scenario has been envisioned to include the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, including the Soviet Union. Levy told reporters he and Baker did not discuss an international peace conference and the United States knew of Israel's firm preference for direct negotiations.

Levy said ''there exists a possibility'' for an international conference but Israel does not agree to one ''under any circumstances.''

''We demand the elementary thing ... direct negotiations, and on this the United States will work in order that the situation that will be created after the crisis, will be a situation of peace, development and progress '' he said.

Levy and Baker also agreed there would be no ''linkage between the crisis in the Gulf and any other subject,'' the Israeli foreign minister said.

Asked about changes in Israel's qualitative edge given the military hardware Washington's Arab allies were receiving in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, Shamir said the subject was part of Israeli-U.S. talks but declined to comment further.

At a noisy official welcome of two of 18 U.S.-made Apache helicopters that Israel bought for approximately $350 million, Shamir told reporters, ''The

United States is obliged to maintain the qualitative edge of Israel in this part of the world and we are together looking for ways to maintain it and assure it.''

Considered the most modern attack helicopters and especially equipped to knock out tanks, the Apaches contained 16 Hellfire laser-guided missiles, 70-mm rockets and a 30-mm rocket fire cannon.

Israel ordered the helicopters before the invasion of Kuwait. After the welcome ceremony at an undisclosed Israeli military base, Shamir said the helicopters arrived at a time when they were badly needed by Israel and when the government was concerned over the risks in the region.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Following are mid-morning prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	55 7-8	up 1-8
AT&T Company	30 3-8	off 3-4
BCE Inc	31	up 1-8
Bell Atlantic	42 3-4	up 1-4
BellSouth Corp	49 3-4	up 1-8
Exxon Corp	50 3-4	off 1-8
Ford Motor Co	35	off 1-8
Genl Electric	62	off 1-4
General Motors	37 3-4	off 1-8
GTE Corp	25 1-8	unch
IBM Corp	107 3-8	off 1-8
Mobil Oil Corp	65 1-8	off 1-8
Nynex Corp	68 1-2	off 1-4
Pac Gas & Elec	20 3-4	unch
Pacific Telesis	40 1-8	off 1-8
Phila Electric	15 1-4	unch
Sears Roebuck	28 1-2	unch
Southern Co	23 3-4	unch
Sthwestern Bell	47 1-2	unch
US West Inc	34 1-2	unch

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NORFOLK, VA (SEPT. 12) UPI - The carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower and guided- missile cruiser USS Ticonderoga, two of the first ships to bolster Operation Desert Shield in the Middle East, sailed home Wednesday after a rugged deployment.

The Eisenhower battle group's scheduled six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea was altered as part of the U.S. military buildup in the Persian Gulf region.

Rear Adm. Thomas Lynch, commander of Cruise-Destroyer Group Twelve and Battle Force Sixth Fleet, credited the carrier battle group with causing Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein to blink shortly after its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Military anaylsts have said the first days after the Iraqi invasion were critical because it was not know whether Iraq would attack Saudi Arabia.

''We were really the only U.S. forces that were ready at that time to interdict a further Iraqi aggression into Saudi Arabia,'' Lynch told reporters aboard the Eisenhower.

The Eisenhower and support ships transitted the Suez Canal August 8 and patrolled the Red Sea until August 24.

''I think it had to cause him (Hussein) to hesitate, to stutter and I think when he did that he lost the initiative,'' said Lynch.

In addition to providing a deterrant at sea, the Eisenhower and its air wing were available to provide air cover for U.S. forces deploying in Saudi Arabia.

Ike and its battle group remained in the region until being released by ships from the USS Saratoga battle group.

The ships return more than 5,800 sailors to Norfolk Naval Station. The Ticonderoga returned at about 10 a.m. EDT, and the carrier was to make port later in the afternoon.

Several other vessels from the 11-ship Eisenhower battle group began returning to East Coast ports late last week. The ships departed March 8.

F-14 Tomcats and other aircraft from the Eisenhower made a roaring return to Virginia on Tuesday. Three squadrons flew into Oceana Naval Air Station at Virginia Beach and another returned to the Norfolk Naval Air Station.

Aviators said jets were flying night and day after Iraq overran Kuwait.

More than 30,000 military personnel from southeastern Virginia have been deployed in the gulf crisis. Reservists have had to take over a large share of military support activities.

The aircraft from Carrier Air Wing 7 that returned to Hampton Roads on Tuesday included Attack Squadron 34, Fighter Squadron 142, Fighter

Squadron 143 and Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron 121.

Aircraft from the carrier air wing also returned to bases in Florida and Washington.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - A study of heart transplant patients indicates overactivity by part of the nervous system may be a cause of chronic high blood pressure, researchers said Wednesday.

Research into the role the anti-rejection drug cyclosporine plays in boosting blood pressure of heart recipients may help solve an long- standing controversy about whether the so-called sympathetic nervous system is involved in causing high blood pressure, or hypertension, said Dr. Ronald Victor.

An estimated 58 million Americans suffer from high blood pressure, which kills about 30,000 yearly and is directly related to many heart attacks and strokes. In about 10 percent of cases, disorders such as kidney disease, heart problems and adrenal gland tumors are involved in high blood pressure. But in the remaining 90 percent, the cause is unknown.

Although use of cyclosporine, which is derived from a fungus, has greatly enhanced long-term survival of heart recipients by suppressing the body's natural rejection of foreign organs, it also is largely responsible for the fact that over 90 percent of heart transplant patients have moderate to severe high blood pressure, said Victor, of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas.

But although the link between cyclosporine and increased blood pressure is clear, Victor said doctors do not understand why the drug has this harmful side effect. The new study indicates a possible explanation lies in the drug's ability to stimulate nerves that constrict blood vessels, making it more difficult for blood to flow through them, Victor and his colleagues reported in The New England Journal of Medicine.

Using a novel technique that involved placing tiny recording needles through the skin, the scientists were able to monitor the electrical activity of nerves that make up the sympathetic nervous system in five heart transplants recipients who were not receiving cyclosporine and 14 who were.

While the brain and spinal cord comprise the central nervous system, ''everything else is the peripheral nervous system,'' said Victor, and one part of it is the sympathetic nervous system.

The researchers found that among the heart recipients receiving cyclosporine, blood pressure not only was higher than among those not receiving the drug,

but the rate at which the nerves in their peripheral nervous system fired electrical bursts was an average of nearly three times higher.

Victor said the scientists also found similar, but considerably smaller, elevations in blood pressure and nerve-firing rates among eight people with myasthenia gravis, a disease of the immune system characterized by muscle weakness, who were receiving cyclosporine.

When the sympathetic nervous system becomes overactive, blood vessels constrict, making blood pressure go up, he said. The effect is ''like stepping on a garden hose,'' he said, blocking the flow of water and increasing water pressure behind the obstruction.

The next step for researchers is to try to discover whether something other than a drug, such as stress, can cause sympathetic nervous system overactivity which in turn could lead to long-term high blood pressure.

Prior studies involving middle-aged people with high blood pressure ''indicated their sympathetic nerves fired normally,'' Victor said, but scientists now are aiming to repeat the tests with younger people to see if abnormal nervous system activity could be a precursor to hypertension.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Negotiators for the New York Post and its nine unions stepped up the pace of their talks Wednesday after publisher Peter Kalikow moved up his deadline for closing the newspaper by 28 hours.

Kalikow, a real estate millionaire, set a new Friday 8 p.m. deadline to save the nation's oldest continuously published daily after negotiators met at the Sheraton Centre Hotel for 90 minutes Tuesday. He previously had threatened to close the Post Saturday midnight.

Post officials and representatives of the Allied Printing Trades Council went into an eight-hour session at the hotel at 11 a.m. Wednesday under increased pressure to find a solution to Kalikow's dilemma. He bought the paper from Rupert Murdoch in 1988 for $37.6 million and has since lost about $93 million operating it.

At the time of the purchase, Kalikow got $22 million in concessions from employees, mostly through elimination of jobs and wage cuts.

Kalikow has projected a $27 million loss for 1990 and wants the paper's 850 unionized employees to make more concessions which would give him at least $17 million in savings. In return, the unions are asking for a share in Post ownership, possibly 49 percent of the stock and several seats on the board.

The Post's circulation as of March was 504,720 as of March, down about 30,000 from last year. But the paper has seen its advertising linage drop 16 percent in the past year.

After learning that Kalikow moved up the deadline, George McDonald, head of the unions' council, said, ''He wants to be able to have an editorial in the Saturday paper saying, 'We're here, we're going to be around for a long time, thanks to the unions,' or, 'We're sorry we didn't make it. Goodbye to the people of New York'.''

In the meantime, management of the city's other financially troubled tabloid, the Daily News, announced that they will seek the same relief from its unions that the Post might get. Theodore Kheel, a labor expert who is advising the newspaper unions, called the News action ''one of desperation.''

Newspaper Guild President Barry Lipton charged that News managment was trying to undermine Post negotiations by making the announcement. He said there was no legal basis for such a demand and characterized it as ''an attempt to force the demise of the Post.''

Labor contracts at the News expired in March, and negotiations continue there between unions and management.

Bus posters and billboards were going up around the city Tuesday with the message: ''Daily News Is Bad News for Its Workers.''

The campaign does not have the complete support of some News employees, however, who have objected to the negative tone.

News features writer Alan Mirabella was quoted in the newspaper Tuesday saying, ''It would be better to say '2,800 News employes are working hard to make sure the paper survives. We hope you'll support them.''

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ROCKVILLE, MD (SEPT. 12) UPI - University of Maryland men's basketball coach Gary Williams has been sentenced to probation before judgment in a Montgomery County court for his arrest in May for drunken driving, a school official said Wednesday.

Williams was sentenced Tuesday to one year probation, and he also must attend alcohol rehabilitation classes and pay $295 in fines, said Maryland athletic department spokesman Herb Hartnett.

Williams, who will begin his second season as the Terps' head coach this

fall, was pulled over by police on the Capital Beltway near Washington about 1:50 a.m. May 12. He failed a Breathalyzer test.

He was charged with driving under the influence, failing to maintain his lane, driving 65 mph in a 55 mph zone and driving without a valid license.

Probation without judgment means Williams' guilt or innocence will not be determined by a court.

The invalid license charge was dropped because Williams had a valid Ohio license, Hartnett said.

In a statement Tuesday, Williams said, ''This is a first-time incident and measures have been taken to make sure it never happens again.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 84.50-87.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 139.00-141.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $240.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $110.00-$111.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $479.50-$487.00; dealer- approx., $481.50-$488.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 275.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 12) UPI - When Pvt. Wade Merritt wrote a touching letter to his mother explaining why he believed American military moves against Iraq were just, he did not expect to be quoted to the nation by President Bush.

''For a soldier it is the highest honor to be bestowed to be mentioned by his commander-in-chief,'' the 26-year-old trooper from Knoxville, Tenn. told UPI Wednesday. ''But I was more happy for my parents, especially my mother. She was hysterical. She is a very proud American.''

Merritt said he had not yet heard which parts of his letter Bush had quoted in a nationally televised congressional address Tuesday. Military authorities were trying to get him a video or audio tape of the event.

Bush said, ''A soldier, PFC Wade Merrit of Knoxville, Tenn., now stationed in Saudi Arabia, wrote his parents of his worries, his love of family and his hopes for peace. But Wade also wrote: ''I am proud of my country and its firm stand against inhumane aggression. I am proud of my ''oud of my

''Let me just say, Wade, America is proud of you. And grateful to every soldier, sailor, Marine and airman serving the cause of peace in the Persian Gulf,'' Bush said.

The private, dressed in desert fatigues and sporting a close crew- cut, said he decided to articulate his feelings about going to Saudi Arabia in a letter after receiving orders to take part in the mission against the armies of Saddam Hussein.

He said it was written with an eye on posterity in case he did not return.

''I said that I was very proud to be in the army, that I was working with very fine soldiers, and that our cause was just and right, and that we should not take our freedom in America for granted,'' the straight-

talking soldier explained as the message of his letter.

Merritt, who has studied history and politics, said he understood the strategic importance of protecting oil, but for him, the mission was more a matter of principle, of upholding international law and not allowing territorial aggrandizement by Saddam, who invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

''I don't like to feel that I'm here putting my life on the line for economic reasons. An economy can be fixed, and we can get oil anywhere,'' he said. ''The main hope is to restore freedom to the Kuwaiti people.''

Merritt's mother showed the 1 1/2-page letter to neighbors and work collegues. They recommended she send it to the White House, where officials saw the value in publicizing Merritt's message.

The soldier has been deployed in the kingdom for more than two weeks as a communications expert for the 24th Mechanized Division (Infantry), and said his initial experiences had not changed his views.

''There has been a lot of anxiety, but my feelings are still there,'' he said. ''It is still just. It will be until the process is restored.''

For the moment, the private with the languid southern drawl was adjusting to new-found notoriety.

''We got a call from the White House at about 2 a.m. asking about you,'' said Capt. Michael Sherman, the chief press liason officer, shaking Merritt's hand.

''They asked 'who is this guy? does he exist? did you guys make him up?' It was good what you did. It's important that it all gets back to the boss '' Sherman said.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 12) UPI - Liquidation and profit-taking pressured grain and soybean futures Wednesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Midmorning prices were narrowly mixed in lackluster trading.

The volume was expected to be light ahead of the September crop report. Traders expect the Agriculture Department to raise the corn production estimate and the soybean number to be virtually the same as last month.

Commercial and commission house selling was countered by scattered buying activity across the floor.

Traders were disappointed that President Bush has not offered export credit guarantees or a food aid package to the Soviet Union. Some had expected an announcement when the President addressed a joint session of Congress Tuesday night, even though officials had said the Soviets must first approve changes in their emigration policy.

Overnight rain in the Delta contributed to the weakness in soybeans.

Country movement was light and basis levels were firm.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.40 3/4 off 3/4; Dec 2.34 3/4 off 1 1/4; Mar 2.44 off 1 1/4.

Soybeans Sep 6.25 3/4 up 1/4; Nov 6.38 3/4 unch; Jan 6.52 1/2 off 1/2; Mar 6.66 off 1/2.

Wheat Sep 2.67 off 1/4; Dec 2.83 1/4 off 3/4; Mar 2.96 off 1/2.

Oats Sep 1.11 1/2 unch; Dec 1.21 unch; Mar 1.32 unch.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - Sales of U.S. Savings Bonds increased by 4 percent in August to $653 million from $629 million in July, in one of the best showings in four years, the Treasury Department reported Wednesday.

Last month's increase was also a gain of 5 percent over August 1989, when the government sold $622 million of the popular investments, which are ''backed by the full faith and credit of the United States.''

''August's results were the best for the month since 1986, when $1.1 billion worth were sold,'' the Treasury Department said.

The increase in sales comes in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, which caused havoc in financial markets. But a government spokesman said he had no way of knowing if the gain was caused by investors seeking a safe haven.

During the first 11 months of fiscal 1990, sales totaled $7.23 billion, an increase of $35 million over sales in the first 11 months of fiscal 1989.

The Treasury Department also said that at the end of August, the total value of savings bonds held by the public was $123.14 billion, an increase of 7 percent over the previous 12 months.

Bonds held five years or longer currently earn a semi-annual market- based

rate of 7.01 percent, which will change Nov. 1. The government guarantees a minimum market-based rate of 6 percent.

''Bonds held since the beginning of the market-based interest program in November 1982 have earned 8.25 percent annually since that time,'' the Treasury Department said.

Prior to 1982, interest on the bonds, which are exempt from state and municipal taxes, was fixed.

Savings bonds are sold in denominations of $50, $75, $100, $200, $500, $1,000, $5,000 and $10,000. The purchase price is equal to half of the bond's maturing value. For example, a $100 bond costs $50.

Annual purchases are limited to $15,000, or $30,000 face value.

Savings bonds purchased after Dec. 31, 1989, are also exempt of federal income taxes if redeemed to pay tuition at a college, university or technical school.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - President Bush has videotaped an eight-minute message to the people of Iraq, one the White House hopes will be aired on Iraqi television. Bush said his argument is NOT with the Iraqi people but with its leaders. Whether the message is ever broadcast is an open question. But aides say Bush welcomes even the most remote chance at explaining what is going on.

Exxon says it is demobilizing its Alaska oil spill clean-up force today, though some workers will be working until Friday. Exxon said at the end of its second summer of clean-up work that the operation is a success, even though some oil remains in the once-pristine environment. The tanker Exxon Valdez hit a charted reef in March 1989, dumping nearly 11-Million gallons of crude oil into Prince William Sound and the Gulf of Alaska.

A new survey of obstetricians and gynecologists shows that fears of being sued for malpractice apparently continue to lead to the doctors avoiding procedures that often trigger lawsuits. The survey for the College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists found that more than 39 percent of the doctors had made some change in their practice. 12 percent said they had abandoned their obstetrical practice.

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#90255u0943 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (SEPT. 12) UPI - Firing squads in China have executed more than 500

people this year in the country's most severe crackdown on crime since 1983, Amnesty International says.

The executions included people convicted of counterrevolutionary religious activities and alleged violence during the pro-democracy protests of spring 1989. At least hundreds of civilians were killed in Beijing's Tiananmen Square June 3, 1989, when the communist leadership ordered a crackdown on the 2-month-old protests.

Courts have been ordered to impose ''severe and swift'' sentences and the scope of the death penalty has been broadened, in what some officials have said was an attempt to ''clean up crime'' before the Asian Games start in Beijing Sept. 22, said a report prepared for release Thursday.

''Those executed are among the 1,100 people we know have been sentenced to death in the past 12 months,'' Amnesty said. ''And while that number is high, it is only the tip of the iceberg.''

The London-based group has repeatedly urged the Chinese government to put an end to all death sentences and executions and renewed its appeal in a telex to Prime Minister Li Peng.

The number of executions recorded by the international human-rights organization this year was the highest since 1983, when a major anti- crime campaign resulted in an estimated 5,000 to 10,000 executions.

Courts also have been ordered to toughen up on crimes including drug trafficking, embezzlement, gang robberies and theft in the fourth such sweeping attack on crime in the past eight years.

The organization expressed concern over what it called the ''dramatic increase'' in death sentences in China ''bacause China's trial system falls far below international standards.''

Most of those executed this year have been tried under emergency regulations that give them virtually no chance to prepare their defense and let lower courts pass death sentences. Some of them were executed within two weeks, the report said.

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#90255u0944 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - President Bush will not attend a historic Oct. 3 celebration in Berlin marking the reunification of Germany, the White House announced Wednesday.

Hailing the signing of the accord clearing the way for German reunification, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Bush

would not be able to accept the invitation from West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl to attend the festivities.

''We have other commitments,'' Fitzwater said. ''There is no question about the president's ... interest ... but unfortunately we just won't be able to attend.''

Fitzwater, who said Bush had conferred with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on the question, made the announcement shortly after the foreign ministers from the victorious World War II allies - the Soviet Union, the United States, Britain and France - and the two Germanys on Wednesday signed the historic pact.

Gorbachev attended the ceremony.

Lauding the treaty signing, Fitzwater said the outcome was ''a tribute to the hard work and good faith of all the parties involved.''

''Today's treaty signing makes the dream of a unified free and democratic Germany just a short step away,'' he said. ''In the glare of today's Persian Gulf crisis, it is easy to forget the anxiety and turmoil for East and West during the enfolding of these events. But they were successfully managed and today we can look forward to a unified Germany that is a partner with its neighbors and committed to fostering new world order.''

Fitzwater said Bush ''wanted to wait before saying publicly we couldn't go until this treaty was agreed to so there'd be no question about our support for the effort and about the president's intense personal involvement in this over the last several months.''

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - Published reports indicate that investigators are looking for more than 30 specific items that may be connected with the slayings of five University of Florida students in Gainesville. The items are listed in search warrants that name Edward Humphrey of Gainesville, one of eight possible suspects in the slayings.

Convicted double killer Charles Walker was pronounced dead at 1:12 a- m, E-D-T... the first person put to death in Illinois since 1962. The 50-year-old Walker died by lethal injection at the Stateville Penitentiary in Joliet, where hundreds of demonstrators gathered to support and oppose the death penalty. Walker had rejected all appeal attempts, saying he would rather die than spend the rest of his life in prison.

Surprisingly there are NO reports of either deaths or injuries after at least 12 tornadoes were spotted in Wisconsin as heavy storms pounded the

Midwest. Most of the twisters remained aloft, but some telephone lines were downed and there is the report of a trailer home damaged near Rice Lake, Wisconsin.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Amer Tech Ceramics (4th Q 6-30)	
$5,149,000	$5,877,000
$183,000 (.05)	$376,000 (.10)
Ames Dept Stores (2nd Q 7-28)	
a-$563,318,000	$1,219,042,000
d-$152,534,000	d-$11,081,000

a-Figures do not include the second quarter results of the 221 stores closed on June 23, 1990.
d-Deficit.

Harlyn Products (Year 6-30)	
$31,303,000	$24,787,000
$1,919,000 (.51)	$1,460,000 (.40)
ILIO Inc (1st Q 7-31)	
$10,826,473	$6,937,643
$334,856 (.12)	$87,206 (.06)
Intertrans Corp (3rd Q 7-31)	
$52,335,000	$43,506,000
$1,590,000 (.31)	$1,333,000 (.26)
Parkland Indus (4th Q 6-30)	
$37,200,000	$32,800,000
a-$529,000 (.10)	$656,000 (.12)

a-Income from continuing operations.

Ramsay-HMO Inc (4th Q 6-30)	
$30,829,000	$23,100,000
$952,000 (.22)	d-$6,070,000

d-Deficit.

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GROTON, CT (SEPT. 12) UPI - Electric Boat shipyard said it will lay off about 1,000 white-collar workers before Christmas and could chop half its workforce in the next five years if defense budget cuts continue.

Declining submarine orders by the U.S. Navy have prompted the latest layoffs, which will come Oct. 1 with 60 days notice, the General Dynamics Corp. division said Tuesday.

Most of the layoffs will come at the company's submarine shipyard in Groton, Conn., but some cuts will also be made at smaller facilities in Quonset Point, R.I., Charleston, S.C. and Avendel, N.J., officials said.

The company told employees in a bulletin that between 4 percent and 5 percent of its 23,000 workers - a total of 920 to 1,150 mostly salaried employees - will be laid off this year.

The company also warned that in a ''worst-case scenario,'' as many as 10,000 more employees, or about half the workforce, could lose their jobs by the mid-1990s if current trends toward Navy submarine budget cuts continue.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - The ''new gold rush'' sweeping Nevada and other Western states provided a glittery, yet plausible script. The stock market crash in late 1987 provided an eager, susceptible audience.

That was all it took for professional con artists operating out of ''boiler rooms'' in Southern California and Las Vegas to give a modern twist to an ancient mining swindle and turn it into one of the the most profitable frauds in recent decades.

The ''dirt-pile'' gold scams of the late 1980s bilked small investors out of at least $21 million in losses documented by state securities agencies in 38 states, according to a new survey. Experts, however, estimate actual losses ran into the hundreds of millions of dollars.

''It just sold itself,'' said Scott Stapf, an investment education adviser for the North American Securities Administrators Association in Washington.

Authorities have dubbed these bogus investments ''dirt-pile'' schemes because of the way they work.

Promoters contact their victims by telephone and, using high-pressure sales pitches, solicit them to purchase a large quantity of unprocessed ore, typically 100 tons, guaranteed to contain 20 ounces of microscopic ''no-see-um'' gold.

The potential investor is offered the gold at a price far below the going market value for refined bullion and is told the discount is possible because the gold is still in the ground.

For an additional fee, the fast-talking swindlers promise to extract the gold from the ore and refine it for the investor using a ''secret,'' new process.

The delivery date for the gold is then set 15 or 18 months in the future, allowing ''time to take investors' money and get out before the investors realize what's happened," said Judith Allen of the Nevada Securities Division.

''Sometimes they'll even set it up so that investors make monthly payments '' she said.

Adding credibility to the scams are slick brochures, prospectus sheets and in some cases, documents to validate actual mining claims. Such documents are relatively easy to obtain from the government under federal mining laws, which allow private citizens or businesses to freely prospect on public land.

Like most convincing forms of fraud, the dirt-pile scheme is rooted in truth.

Its success was largely an outgrowth of the new gold rush of the West, where advanced minining techniques have made possible the extraction of minute quantities of gold and silver from previously worthless ore, Stapf said.

This technology has been an economic boon for Nevada, where annual gold production has increased nearly ten-fold during the past decade - from 525,000 ounces in 1981 to 5.05 million ounces last year.

Nevada, traditionally known as the Silver State, now accounts for 60 percent of domestic gold production, making the United States the world's third largest producer after South Africa and the Soviet Union, said Russell Fields of the Nevada Department of Minerals.

Other states propsering from the new gold extraction methods are California, Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Colorado, New Mexico, Montana and Alaska.

Compared with other ''boiler room'' schemes - so named because they traditionally operate out of low-rent office space - the dirt-pile scam was ''one of the more successful we've seen,'' Stapf said.

The basic attraction was ''the traditional lure of gold,'' but its real

success was fueled by the Wall Street crash in October 1987, which shook confidence in ''paper investments,'' he said.

''People who left the market after 1987 fled right into the arms of these con artists. ... It just hit investor psychology perfectly,'' Stapf said.

He added, ''The fact that the market crashed gave them (swindlers) a national audience, rather than just a regional audience'' in the West.

Indeed, investors in all 50 states got stung, Stapf said.

''One case promoted out of California had victims in 41 states and three foreign countries,'' he said.

The boiler rooms, he said, were operated mostly out of Southern California Las Vegas and Phoenix, with the alleged mines usually located in Nevada, California, New Mexico and northern Texas.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - LIST: UPI COLLEGE FOOTBAL TOP 25

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Notre Dame (30) (0-0)	666	2
2.	Florida State (10) (1-0)	647	3
3.	Auburn (4) (1-0)	619	4
4.	Southern Cal (1) (1-0)	479	5
5.	Michigan (0-0)	462	6
6.	Tennessee (2-0-1)	441	8
7.	Brigham Young (2) (2-0)	430	18
8.	Nebraska (1) (2-0)	421	9
9.	Colorado (1-0-1)	305	7
10.	Miami (0-1)	290	1
11.	Virginia (2-0)	272	13
12.	Texas A&M (1-0)	188	11
13.	Pittsburgh (2-0)	140	19
14.	Ohio State (1-0)	114	14
15.	Arkansas (0-0)	79	15
16.	Arizona (1-0)	48	z
17.	(tie) Texas (1-0)	25	23
17.	(tie) Illinois (0-1)	25	12
19.	Clemson (1-1)	21	10
20.	Washington (1-0)	20	16

21. Florida (1-0)	18	23
22. Michigan State (0-0)	15	23
23. Fresno State (2-0)	12	22
24. Arizona State (1-0)	8	z
25. Georgia Tech (1-0)	7	z

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Others receiving votes: Maryland, Oregon, South Carolina, Southern Mississippi.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances and postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches. Those schools are Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 12) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Wednesday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 57-63.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 12) UPI - The four victorious allies of World War II and the two Germanys formally wrapped up the war Wednesday with a treaty that clears the way for a united Germany and declares "only peace will emanate from German soil.''

The treaty signed by the foreign ministers from East and West Germany and the United States, Britain, France and the Soviet Union relinquishes the four powers' rights in Germany and gives the Germans full sovereignty for the first time since 1945.

''We have drawn the line under World War II and have started counting time

of a new age,'' Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze declared after the signing.

The treaty specifies that the current borders of East and West Germany will remain the borders of a united Germany and declares that Germany ''has no territorial claims whatsoever against any other states and shall not assert any in future.''

''The governments of the Federal Republic of Germany and the German Democratic Republic reaffirm their declarations that only peace shall emanate from German soil,'' the document read.

The article specifying the strict borders of unified Germany was included to allay fears of renewed German hegemony in Europe. The treaty specifically refers to the German-Polish border and says the two countries would confirm the existing frontier in a separate treaty.

The treaty officially becomes effective only after ratification by the legislatures of the countries involved - the four World War II victors and the united Germany - but it clears the way for the Oct. 3 German unification.

In Washington, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater hailed the signing of the treaty as ''an historic event,'' but said that President Bush would not be attending the Oct. 3 unification celebration in Berlin.

''Today's treaty signing makes the dream of a unified free and democratic Germany just a short step away,'' Fitzwater said.

"In the glare of today's Persian Gulf crisis, it is easy to forget the anxiety and turmoil for East and West during the enfolding of these events '' he said. ''But they were successfully managed and today we can look forward to a unified Germany that is a partner with its neighbors and committed to fostering new world order.''

The six foreign ministers proclaimed in a news conference after the signing that the ''Treaty on the Final Settlement with Respect to Germany'' closed the book on the horrors of World War II.

''In this hour we remember the victims of war and totalitarian domination, the agony of the people,'' West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said. ''We're particularly thinking of the Jewish people. We would never want that agony to be repeated.

''To us Germans this is a day of joy and jubilation, but at the same time a day of remembrance and a day of gratitude.''

East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere, who also holds the foreign

ministry portfolio since the previous foreign minister left the Cabinet, said the treaty ''opened a new chapter, an age of peace.''

Secretary of State James Baker added that the event was ''truely a rendezvous with history.''

''Let our legacy be that 45 years after the end of World War II we have finally got the political arithmetic right: Two plus four adds up to one Germany in a Europe that's whole and free,'' Baker said.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev looked on as the six foreign ministers signed the treaty at the elegant Oktyabrskaya (October) Hotel, recently converted from a guest house for top Communist Party officials.

The foreign ministers later appeared at a news conference backed by the flags of the six countries, with the West and East German flags side-by-side.

The officials had gathered in Moscow on Tuesday for the final negotiating session of the talks convened to give the Allies' blessing to reuniting the German people under a single national flag after more than four decades of formal separation.

Germany and the Soviet Union still need to finalize three separate treaties dealing with overall bilateral relations, conditions for a transition period while Soviet troops are pulled out of East Germany and scientific, economic and cultural cooperation.

One of the last major obstacles was cleared Monday when West Germany agreed to pay a compromise sum of $7.6 billion toward the withdrawal of 380,000 Soviet troops from the territory of present East Germany.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78- 81 and mediums 63-66.

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OMAHA (SEPT. 12) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and calves 450; trading on limited mid-week run rather slow; slaughter steers and heifers lightly tested, few sales 50 higher than Tuesday; slaughter cows uneven, weak to 1.00 lower; steers choice 2-4 1100-1300 lb 76.00-77.00, load and package 77.25-77.50; heifers choice 2-3 few 4 1000-1100 lb 76.00-77.00, pen 77.25; cows boning 52.00-57.00, canner and low cutter 50.00-52.00.

Hogs 1,200; butchers 50 higher; No 1-3 220-260 lb 54.50-54.75, No 1-2 210-230 lb 52.00-54.00, No 1-3 260-280 lb 53.00-54.00, around 260 lb instances 54.50, No 2-3 270-300 lb 51.00-53.00; sows unevenly steady; No 1-3 350-500 lb 44.50-45.00, some 475 lb and heavier 46.00, No 2-3 500- 650 lb 46.50-47.00.

Sheep 50; steady; shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-135 lb No 1-2 pelts 50.00-51.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good 13.00-17.00.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - Dashing hopes one genetic flaw might hold the answer to Alzheimer's disease, a landmark study showed Wednesday that the mystifying brain disorder apparently has multiple causes like heart disease and cancer.

Recent research had indicated a defective gene on chromosome 21 may be the primary cause of Alzheimer's disease, especially in the minority of patients stricken before age 65.

But other scientists had argued that Alzheimer's is not a single disease, like measles or cystic fibrosis, but an array of disorders produced by a variety of factors that cause similar symptoms and brain destruction.

A single cause may have made it easier to find ways to prevent and treat the devastating disease that afflicts as many as 4 million Americans.

An international team of more than 65 leading scientists analyzed genetic material from patients from 48 families with a history of Alzheimer's to look for signs of genetic defects in the suspect region of chromosome 21.

Although some patients with early onset Alzheimer's appeared to have genetic flaws on chromosome 21, most patients had none - suggesting their disease is caused by different genetic factors, environmental influences or possibly both.

''What we have done is provide the first really solid evidence that there is more than one cause, more than one way in which you can get Alzheimer's,'' said Peter St. George-Hyslop of Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, who

co-authored the study published in the British scientific journal Nature.

Alzheimer's disease is a gradual, irreversible erosion of brain cells that control thought and memory. Patients begin with difficulty remembering simple things and regress to an infant-like state, needing continuous attention. The disease usually strikes after age 65, but in some families it typically appears as early as age 35.

The symptoms appear to be caused by tangles in cells of the brain, destruction of other cells and strange bodies of protein found inside cells. What starts the process is unknown, and there is no treatment for the disease.

''It would not surprise me if Alzheimer's turns out to be something very similar to the complexity of heart disease, with more than one single genetic defect or a mixture of genetic predisposition and environmental factors or in some cases totally environmental factors causing the same illness,'' St. George-Hyslop said.

''The implications of this study are that we are now going to have to enlarge our research to find those other causes,'' he said.

The international team, which pulled together rival scientists from England, Belgium, France, Italy, Mexico, West Germany, the Soviet Union, Canada and the United States, are now trying to see if their large group of families may have genetic defects on chromosome 19. A team headed by Allen Roses of Duke University in Durham, N.C., recently reported their studies indicate a gene for inherited, late-onset Alzheimer's disease may be located on that chromosome.

Although their general locations are known, neither the suspect gene on chromosome 21 nor the one on chromosome 19 has been pinpointed. That means scientists cannot yet determine what protein the genes code for - a crucial step in designing strategies to treat the disease.

Creighton Phelps, vice president of scientific affairs with the Alzheimer's Association in Chicago, said people who expected a simple way to cure or prevent Alzheimer's probably will find the latest results ''discouraging and frustrating.''

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BY STENY HOYER - WRITTEN FOR UPI

(SEPT. 12) UPI - Programs don't run without people, and if the people are furloughed the programs will suffer.

Imagine, if you will, the following scenario. Mr. and Mrs. Smith live on a

fixed income - his monthly Social Security check supplemented by a few investments. Everything is budget. They always pay their bills on time - part of their financial ethic.

One day in November they go to the mailbox expecting their monthly Social Security check. Social Security Administration employees have been furloughed and the check isn't on time. Mr. Smith calls the mortgage company, the phone company and the power company to explain why he can't pay his bills.

The Smiths put off their weekly trip to the grocery. (If they did go, they would find a greater supply of fruits, vegetables and meat uninspected because the Food and Drug Administration inspectors would have had to cut back on the number of goods they can inspect.)

Late in the afternoon the phone rings. It's the Smith's daughter who lives in California. Her house near the national park is threatened by fire. What should she do? Agriculture and Interior department firefighters are on furlough and there aren't enough people to fight the fires.

Oh, and by the way, her husband who works for the Air Force has been working around the clock to ship supplies to the Persian Gulf. Today, he got his furlough notice - 14 days without pay.

All this upheaval upsets Mr. Smith chronic heart condition and he heads for the VA hospital - only to be met by a sign saying because of staff furloughs, walk-ins are not being seen.

A trip to the park always calms his soul. You know the rest of the story, his park bench has been vandalized and the park closed early because park rangers have been furloughed.

Maybe this scenario seems corny or far-fetched, but if federal employees are furloughed, this scenario and others like it could be real. Here are some other realities that may come to pass:

-The flow of drugs across our borders may increase because Border Patrol personnel will be furloughed.

-Air Traffic Controllers employed by the Federal Aviation Agency will have staffing problems - especially during the upcoming heavy holiday travel season.

The impact of furloughs on federal programs will be significant. We will all feel it.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - President Bush videotaped an eight-minute message to the Iraqi people today, hoping the tape will be broadcast on official Iraqi T-V. Bush made an overture to the Iraqi people the morning after drawing praise and applause in pledging to Congress that the United States will NOT allow Iraq to annex Kuwait.

White House and congressional budget negotiators were scheduled to get back to work this morning, spurred on by the insistence of President Bush that ''now it is time to produce.'' Sources close to the talks say the negotiators are near an agreement on a 500-BILLION-dollar deficit-reduction plan.

The shuttle Columbia seems back on track for a possible launch next Tuesday. Engineers think they may have found what caused the leak that grounded Columbia last week- a fuel line seal that was partially crushed. But they still want to find out if something else might be responsible.

The jackpot in this weekend's Florida Lotto drawing is climbing faster than a space shuttle mission. The total is estimated at more than 90-Million dollars and still going up. And it is bringing a lot of out-of-state players. One man flew from Atlanta to Jacksonville, bought 14-hundred tickets and flew home.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - A group of 241 Roman Catholic priests urged the nation's bishops Wednesday to scrap their proposed pastoral statement on women, saying it is ''guilty of misogyny.''

''Do not continue this sad tale,'' the priests, organized by the independent group, ''Priests for Equality,'' said in an open letter to the U.S. hierarchy.

''Abandoning the pastoral at this point would be unique, human and a wonderfully Christ-like graced moment,'' the priests said.

The role of women in the Catholic church has been one of the most bitterly debated topics in the church for the last decade, touching on a wide range of issues from birth control and abortion to the ordination of women to the priesthood.

The National Conference of Catholic Bishops - the nation's more than 300 Catholic bishops - has been struggling with a pastoral letter on the role of women in society and the church since 1982, when Bishop Michael McAuliffe of Jefferson City, Mo., first proposed such a formal statement.

It has been an arduous and controversial process since then and the fate of the statement's current incarnation - a 99-page document called ''One in Christ Jesus: A Pastoral Response to the Concerns of Women for Church and Society'' - is to be decided this week during a meeting of the bishops' conference's administrative board.

The 50-member board is meeting this week to set the agenda for the November meeting of the NCCB and its social policy arm, the U.S. Catholic Conference.

In urging the bishops to scrap the proposed statement, the priests said the letter is ''now at a point beyond which no amount of rewriting or amending can recoup the damage done.''

''The second draft is misogynous,'' said the Rev. Joseph Dearborn, national secretary of Priests for Equality, ''when ... it implies that woman's sin is greater than man's and quotes Genesis 3:16 to reinforce the point.''

That passage, following the story of Eve's temptation by the serpent in the Garden of Eden, has God telling her, ''I will greatly multiply your pain in childbearing. ...''

''Not only is this the only quote from the Old Testament in the document but it is so abused by misogynists,'' Dearborn said, that it is used to argue that pain in chilbirth is a more severe punishment than man's punishment to labor with the soil and thus to argue that ''woman's sin is greater than man's.

''This use of scripture reflects no textual analysis, no reference to the writing of contemporary scholarship, yet alone acknowledgment of feminist scriptural critique,'' Dearborn said.

Dearborn noted that the current draft of the statement has been criticized by Archbishop Rembert Weakland of Milwaukee, Wis., that the Leadership Conference of Religious Women has called for scrapping the project and that two members of the committee charged with drafting the document have resigned.

The draft under consideration, released in April, was widely criticized at the time of its release as less forceful in its support of women's equality than an earlier version of the statement and strongly reaffirms the church's tradition of an all-male priesthood.

It also appeared to abandon a promise made in the first draft to ''foster a dialogue'' with those who oppose the church ban on birth control.

But it does continue to label ''sexism'' a sin.

In their letter to the bishops, the Priests for Equality said the hierarchy should acknowledge that their pastoral letter itself is permeated with sexism and such an admission ''of fact is the most powerful and hopeful measure you can deliver to women given the circumstances of the moment.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - For members of Congress who dream of everlasting fame by having a building on Capitol Hill named after them, the pickings are getting slim. Former President Gerald Ford and former Speaker Thomas O'Neill have just picked off two of the last.

Many federal buildings around the country bear the names of the senators or congressmen who represented the state or district where they are located, but an edifice in the Capitol complex is something special, mainly because there are so few of them.

This week, the House approved a resolution, sponsored by Rep. Clay Shaw, R-Fla., naming two out-of-the-way office buildings after Ford, who led a palace coup to become the Republican leader in 1965, and O'Neill, who served in the House 34 years, including the last 10 as speaker.

Previously, the two buildings were known simply as Annex 1 (O'Neill) and Annex 2 (Ford). They house hundreds of committee staff and the residence for pages.

Although neither the O'Neill nor the Ford buildings are viewed as choice by members of Congress, there is precious little real estate left that does not already have a name.

''It is quite an honor to have a House building named after you,'' said Rep. William Broomfield, R-Mich. ''There are plenty of post offices, highways and schools out there. But there are very few House office buildings.''

According to the Office of the Architect, all that remains is the seven-story Capitol Police Headquarters and a building five blocks from the Capitol that houses the the congressional day care facilities.

The Capitol Police Headquarters is physically located on the Senate side of the complex but it is one of the few under joint Senate-House jurisdiction - a situation that certainly would provoke a fight if either the Senate or House tried to put a name on it.

Nor is there any prospect for any new buildings to rise despite Congress's

penchant for expansion.

''The architect some years ago put out a master plan saying if there is a need for more office buildings, this is where they should go,'' a spokesman said. ''But there is nothing on the drawing board right now.''

The six major office buildings - three for the Senate and three for the House - were named long ago.

The House buildings were named in honor of the speaker serving when they were built - Joseph Cannon, R-Ill., Nicholas Longworth, R-Ohio, and Sam Rayburn, D-Texas.

The Senate, which made do with two office buildings for many years after the House built the Mussolini-style Rayburn edifice, simply called them the old and the new Senate Office Buildings.

But in the 1960s, Democrats and Republicans decided they would each name one - the Democrats honoring Sen. Richard Russell, D-Ga., their dean and leader of the Southern bloc, and Sen. Everett Dirksen, R-Ill, the veteran GOP leader.

The opulent third building was named after Sen. Phil Hart, D-Mich., one of the best-liked members of the Senate, just before he died of cancer.

The number of buildings are so few that the Senate and House long ago began naming rooms in the Capitol after their most esteemed colleagues.

The office of the Democratic Steering and Policy Committee on the third floor already bears O'Neill's name, allowing him to share with Rayburn the honor of having both a building and a Capitol room named after him. On the second floor is the Sam Rayburn room, the official House reception room.

The House Appropriations Room, on the ground floor, is named after former Rep. George Mahon, D-Texas, its long-time chairman.

The Senate has been more free with the naming of rooms, including ones named for Presidents John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson, that, unfortunately, are in an area off limits to tourists.

Also on the second floor is the large meeting and party room named after Sen. Mike Mansfield, D-Mont, who served longer than any person as Senate majority leader, and where his imposing portrait presides.

The offices now occupied by Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell are named after his predecessor, Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., and those that house Senate Republican leader Robert Dole bear the name of his predecessor, Sen. Howard Baker, R-Tenn.

And on the ground floor are two small restaurant rooms named after Sen. Hugh Scott, R-Pa., a former GOP leader, and Sen. Arthur Vandenberg, R-Mich., chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

And this summer, the Senate named a table in the Senate dining room after the late Sen. Spark Matsunaga, D-Hawaii, who unfailingly took his constituents to lunch when they visited the Capitol.

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BANGKOK, THAILAND (SEPT. 12) UPI - Cambodian rebel and government leaders, following up on their breakthrough acceptance of a U.N. peace plan, were calling for a voluntary cease-fire and began winding down radio propaganda battles Wednesday.

The peace agreement meanwhile was endorsed by both China, which has backed the hard-line communist Khmer Rouge rebel faction, and Vietnam, which supports the Cambodian government. China also said it was ready for the first time to establish contact with the Cambodian government.

Prince Norodom Ranariddh, commander of a second of three resistance factions, said, ''Even before a formal agreement is reached, all Cambodians, if they really want peace, should create a peaceful, safe environment for implementation of a peace agreement.''

''I am very favorable for a self-restraint cease-fire,'' he told reporters.

Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen, made a similar call for a voluntary cease- fire before leaving Jakarta, Indonesia where the four Cambodian groups - who have waged a guerrilla war for more than a decade - Monday agreed to accept a U.N. peace plan.

The breakthrough accord, designed to establish a transition administration so that a cease-fire can take effect and free elections can be held, sets up a four-party Supreme National Council and commits the factions to a major United Nations role in the interim government.

Hun Sen, who arrived in Bangkok Wednesday, called it a good start towards peace but said further steps were needed. In a government radio broadcast, he repeated his call for a voluntary cease-fire, as well as a rapid meeting of a Supreme National Council.

''The boat has been built, the passengers are on ..., but we have not yet set sail,'' he said.

In talks late Wednesday with Thai Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan, Hun

Sen proposed the first Council meeting take place at the former Cambodian embassy in Bangkok on Monday, Thai spokesman Suvit Yodmanee told reporters.

Suvit quoted Hun Sen as saying the meeting should elect a chairman and decide on a delegation to represent Cambodia at the U.N. General Assembly meeting.

Chatichai replied if the other three factions agreed, he would be happy to make the arrangements for the meeting, he said.

While a cease-fire is part of the U.N. plan, the plan is not expected to be implemented until it is formally ratified at an international conference unlikely to be convened until at least November.

Ranariddh quoted Khieu Samphan, leader of the Khmer Rouge, as saying he would prefer to wait for that conference before agreeing to a cease- fire, but that an interim cease-fire ''may be'' possible.

Ranariddh said the voluntary cease-fire should be decided at the first Supreme National Council meeting, which he said should be held ''as soon as possible'' before the opening of the U.N. General Assembly later this month.

One of the first duties of the Council will be to name a new joint delegation to represent Cambodia at the U.N. General Assembly.

Even before a cease-fire, Ranariddh predicted a defacto reduction in hostilities, and a truce in a radio propaganda war waged by all factions.

Regular listeners of Khmer Rouge radio said Wednesday, the station dropped a regular series of anti-Vietnamese slogans for first time since it began broadcasting in 1983. The radio also said it would no longer describe crimes committed by Vietnamese troops in Cambodia, but leave them to be judged by the Cambodian and Vietnamese people.

A Chinese Foreign Ministry statement meanwhile, also was markedly conciliatory and devoid of anti-Vietnam statements in welcoming the "breakthrough" accord.

''China is ready to establish and keep contacts with all the parties in the Supreme National Council,'' said the statement carried by the official Xinhua news agency.

It was the first time Beijing has expressed readiness to have contact with the Phnom Penh government, installed by Hanoi after Vietnamese troops invaded Cambodia in December 1978 and toppled a bloody Khmer Rouge regime.

China, as key backer of the Khmer Rouge, is believed to have pressured the

group to accept the settlement formula and framework.

But a signed commentary carried by Xinhua also reiterated Chinese complaints that Vietnam, despite having officially withdrawn its troops from Cambodia last year, still has forces in the country.

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AUSTIN, TX (SEPT. 12) UPI - The Texas Supreme Court ruled Wednesday Gulf States Utilities Co. is not entitled to a second hearing on the prudency of its investment in a nuclear power plant.

The high court, in a 7-2 opinion, said financially troubled GSU had its chance to prove its prudency claims in a 1988 rate case and that the Texas Public Utility Commission cannot consider the matter again.

To permit reconsideration ''would allow a public utility to secure victory not by the strength of its case but simply by outlasting its opponents,'' the court said.

Susan Gilley, a spokeswoman for Beaumont, Texas-based GSU, said company lawyers were still reviewing the opinion and the utility had no immediate comment.

But consumer lawyer Jim Boyle said the Supreme Court order should assure ''reasonable rates for the forseeable future'' for Gulf States' more than 560,000 customers in Texas and Louisiana.

PUC spokesman Bill Dunn said the three-member utility regulatory agency had already suspended hearings in the GSU case under a prior court order, but may appealing the ruling.

''We're going to have to get with our counsel and see if we want to pursue some motion for rehearing or some sort of an appeal,'' he said.

GSU sought in a rate case first filed in 1986 prove that its $4.5 billion investment in the River Bend Nuclear Power Plant at St. Francisville, La., was a prudently incurred cost that should be passed on to its subscribers.

But in granting the utility a $59.9 million rate hike in May 1988, the PUC found that only $2.27 billion was prudently and reasonably incurred. It did not specifically disallow the additional $1.45 billion in capital costs, but held it in abeyance.

The case represented the first in Texas in which a utility sought a rate increase to help defray the construction costs of a nuclear plant.

In a new $88 million rate case filed by GSU in March 1989, the PUC voted 2-1 to allow the utility a second chance to prove the prudence of the remaining $1.45 billion investment in River Bend.

That action prompted a lawsuit by the Coalition of Cities for Affordable Utility Rates, a group of GSU customers that argued the company should not get a second chance.

In the high court's majority opinion, Justice Lloyd Doggett said GSU failed to meet its burden of proof the first time and is not entitled to a second hearing to present more evidence.

''All parties were entitled to a straightforward decision from the PUC the first time this case was presented,'' he said. ''The same finality that benefits the utility investors can serve the interests of consumers who know that if a utility is once denied relief because of its failure to prove its case, it may not return repeatedly one the same facts until the PUC yields.''

News of the Supreme Court decision caused GSU's stock prices to decline Wednesday, but Boyle said Wall Street should have been prepared for the ruling.

''It (ruling) takes away the uncertainty over the next few years and adds stability to the rates,'' said Boyle. ''Overall, it will be helpful to GSU. The market - Wall Street - has taken into account the disallowance already.

''I think they are going to do alright. The company, over time, will become healthier,'' he said. ''Most importantly for ratepayers, they should have reasonable rates for the forseeable future.''

GSU filed July 24 for a temporary $56.5 million rate increase which the company claims does not contain any nuclear plant costs. But Boyle, who represents eight cities served by GSU, said that claim is likely to be ''hotly debated'' in PUC hearings.

The PUC ordered its staff last week to expedite hearings on the case, saying it hoped to make a decision by November. The company filed for the temporary 10 percent increase, citing the lengthy delay in getting a final decision on the permanent $88 million rate hike requested last year.

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ASPEN, CO (SEPT. 12) UPI - The price of housing in this capital of the rich and glitzy has gotten so high - more than $1 million for the average home - that the city's housing director was forced to quit.

Jim Adamski resigned as director of the Aspen-Pitkin County Housing Authority because he said he couldn't afford to buy a ''real home.'' Adamski left his $46,500 job this week to become housing director in Yakima, Wash.

''We would still like to own an American dream,'' Adamski said before leaving Aspen. He said he plans to buy a four-bedroom home in Yakima for $98,000, a figure that wouldn't touch any house in Aspen.

Like most people who work in Aspen, Adamski and his wife lived ''down valley,'' in their case a 45-minute commute away in Carbondale. Most homes in Aspen itself are owned by people who use them only a portion of the year.

The city is trying to ease the housing crunch by building 13 single-family homes in a subsidized employee housing project. The three-bedroom homes will sell for $186,000. The homes will be sold through a lottery to permanent residents.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - Larry Hysong of Lebanon, Indiana, was more than shocked by his July telephone bill. It showed long distance calls totaling 19-hundred-94 dollars. The calls were traced to the Boone County Jail where four inmates somehow got hold of his telephone credit card number. Hysong is now waiting for the August bill.

Italian Prime Minister Andreotti says the Persian Gulf crisis makes the political unification of Europe more necessary than ever. Andreotti called in a speech to the European Parliament meeting in France for closer ties between Europe and the Arab world.

Authorities in San Diego harbor arrested three people in a sea-going protest mounted by the Greenpeace environmental group. Two protesters were arrested after they chained themselves to the rudder of the tanker Exxon Mediterranean... the former Exxon Valdez, the ship responsible for the worst oil spill in American history.

Former President and Mrs. Reagan walked from West to East Berlin today, passing through where the Berlin Wall once stood. It was in June of 1987 when Reagan called on Soviet President Gorbachev to tear down the symbol of division in Europe. Gorbachev didn't have to. The Germans did it for him.

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MONTREAL (SEPT. 12) UPI - More than 4,500 paperworkers at Canadian Pacific Forest Products Ltd. were poised Wednesday to strike, adding to thousands of others already on the picket line in eastern Canada.

Pierre Despres, a spokesman for the Montreal-based company, said the company's 4,500 to 5,000 workers belonging to the Canadian Paperworkers Union were in a legal strike position. He said the company expected to hear from the union later Wednesday or Thursday.

He said the company was awaiting word from the CPU concerning a ''final offer'' made last week. He declined to outline details of the offer.

Despres said a strike would affect three newsprint mills in Trois Rivieres Ind Gatineau, Que. and Dalhousie, N.B. which account for 1.2 million tonnes of newsprint production a year, or 66 percent of the company's total output.

On Tuesday, talks between the CPU and another paper maker, Abitibi- Price Ltd., broke down after several days of intense negotiations failed to produce a settlement.

CPU workers at Abitibi-Price mills in Ontario, Quebec and Newfoundland set up pickets Monday, shutting down seven of the company's nine mills in eastern Canada. There are 4,500 CPU members at the nine mills.

The mills collectively produce 1.18 million tons of newsprint a year, or roughly 62 percent of Abitibi-Price's total output, the company said.

The sticking issues in the Abitibi-Price talks are focused on flexibility in assigning tasks to tradesman and running time on statutory holidays.

The Abitibi-Price offer reflects a settlement reached at Stone-Consolidated Inc. of Montreal, plus improvements in the areas of vacation pay and day work schedules, the company said.

In July, the CPU's 2,350 workers at Stone-Consolidated accepted a contract that will raise wages by 5.5 percent each year of a three-year deal. Under the deal, base salaries will increase from $13.06 an hour to $15.34 an hour over the course of the contract.

Meanwhile, about 1,200 paperworkers at the Quebec & Ontario Paper Co. Ltd. in Baie-Comeau, Quebec reportedly ratified a new three-year deal Tuesday.

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BEIRUT, LEBANON (SEPT. 12) UPI - Britian's ambassador in Beirut, David

Tathem, Wednesday paid a visit to the spiritual leader of the pro-Iranian Hezbollah as part of London's efforts to win the release of Britons held captive by Shiite Moslem extremists.

Tathem told reporters as he emerged from the hour-and-a-half meeting with Sheiekh Mohammed Hussein Fadlallah at his residence in southern Beirut that he conveyed to the Shiite fundamentalist leader Britain's ''special concern'' over the fate of three British hostages.

The British diplomat said that he asked Fadlallah during the encounter to ''do whatever he can to win the release of the hostages.''

While Tathem expressed optimism regarding a near end to the plight of Western hostages, he said he had no tangible clues to authenticate recent reports about an imminent release of British captives.

Recent Lebanese media reports suggested that either Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite or another British captive would be freed soon.

The three Britons are held hostage along with 10 other foreigners, including six Americans.

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#90255u1086 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 12) UPI - Three civilians in a taxi apparently mistaken for a police car and a police officer responding to a call from a top African National Congress leader were killed by gunmen in continuing factional violence in black townships, police said Wednesday.

The separate attacks south of Johannesburg, in the nation's largest black township of Soweto, coincided with raging battles in three settlements to the east which killed at least 46 people and led to the burning of some 400 shacks in the Phola Park squatter camp.

The newspaper Business Day quoted several police officers as saying they were ''too scared'' to go into the townships to quell the black vs. black factional fighting, which has continued despite emergency measures and what is effectively martial law imposed Aug. 26.

The latest violence followed a warning Tuesday from black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela that talks aimed at ending white minority rule in South Africa may collapse if the government fails to crush the internecine strife, which has killed some 630 people since Aug. 12.

Mandela's African National Congress has blamed the violence on the predominantly Zulu Inkatha movement, which the ANC says is seeking to gain the upper hand over the ANC and its predominantly Xhosa tribal members.

Elsewhere, a bomb thought to have been planted by right-wing extremists rocked the regional office of the ruling National Party in Pretoria's Waterkloof constituency early Wednesday. There were no casualties. It was the fourth bombing of NP offices since President de Klerk in February launched his sweeping program of racial reform.

Police said the three civilians died after a gunman fired with an AK-47 assault rifle on a mini-bus taxi, painted the same shade of yellow as police vehicles, outside the flashpoint Nancefield migrant-worker hostel in Soweto.

Another gunman standing by later fired several rounds at the wreck of the vehicle, they said.

The three people died instantly and four were seriously injured, police spokesman Lt. Govindsamy Mariemuthoo said, after ''the attacker obviously made the mistake of thinking the van was police issue.''

Mariemuthoo said a number of attackers earlier ambushed a police patrol following up on a report that people in Soweto's Diepkloof squatter camp were carrying AK-47 assault rifles.

''When they arrived, they were told the people had left, but as they were driving down a side road, they hit the ambush,'' he said.

Their vehicle took ''plenty of rounds,'' he added, saying that one constable died on the way to hospital and another three were seriously hurt.

Senior police spokesman Brig. Vic Haynes said the report the patrol had been sent to investigate had been relayed to police by Walter Sisulu, the internal leader of the ANC.

Haynes said that, while no armed men were discovered, ''We do not at all say that Mr. Sisulu deliberately led the policemen into an ambush.''

Sisulu said in a statement released through the ANC that he made the report in good faith and, regardless of Haynes' disclaimer, ''totally'' rejects the ''police insinuation'' that he was in any way linked to the ambush.

Police said at least 46 people had died in clashes in Vosloorus, Tembisa, and Thokoza since late Tuesday, many when Zulu hostel-dwellers and supporters of Inkatha rampaged through the townships randomly attacking ANC followers.

Mandela told President Frederik de Klerk in a two-hour meeting Tuesday pressure was mounting on the ANC to arm its supporters and resume the

''armed struggle'' against apartheid suspended last month after 29 years.

Despite assurances from de Klerk police were acting impartially and that the government was deeply concerned about the violence, Mandela said Pretoria must use its capacity to bring back calm or face a possible breakdown of fledgling talks between it and the ANC on ending 42 years of white minority rule.

Mandela did not specify steps to be taken, but has branded the three-month renewable emergency measures imposed in the 27 hardest-hit townships straddling Johannesburg ''totally useless.''

He has noted a 51-month-old state of emergency in strife-torn Natal province has failed to stem battles between the ANC and Inkatha, which since 1987 have killed up to 4,000 people.

But Mandela has refused to meet directly with Inkatha President Mangosuthu Buthelezi, charging the Zulu chief is fomenting the conflict to undermine the ANC's pre-eminent position among black movements before formal power-sharing talks with the government.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - Forget, for the moment, the tanks, troops and warships in the Persian Gulf. President Bush opted Wednesday for a more potent weapon - television - to drive a wedge between Saddam Hussein and the Iraqi people.

The satellite-transmitted war of images that has become so much a part of the Persian Gulf crisis escalated as Bush, seizing on a vague invitation from Baghdad, videotaped an 8-minute message for broadcast on Iraqi television.

The intent, aides said, was to reach beyond the propaganda heard in Baghdad with assurances that economic and military pressure unleashed against Iraq has not been aimed at punishing the Iraqi people, but taming Saddam.

The possibility, however, was that the taping may turn out to be just another exercise in television-age diplomacy, to be seen and heard almost everywhere but in the Iraqi households Bush would like to see turn against Saddam.

Despite an ambiguous Iraqi offer late last week to air some videotape of Bush on state-run television, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater admitted there had been nothing official from Baghdad to suggest he will see airtime.

The White House, however, was determined to go through the motions as if a formal invitation had been extended, preparing a videotape with Arabic subtitles and dubbing under the direction of Bush media adviser Sig Rogich.

''It's personal,'' Fitzwater said of the message, ''and it's directed towards the people of Iraq and the hardship they've had to bear in this matter. It provides a very candid but personal description of our involvement and our goals and objectives in the region.''

Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger was to deliver the tape Wednesday or Thursday to Iraqi Ambassador Mohamed Al-Mashat. What Al-Mashat would do with the unsolicited package was anybody's guess.

Iraqi Embassy officials had no immediate comment. As a hedge against uncertainty, the White House planned for other copies of the tape to be delivered to Iraqi officials through diplomatic channels in Baghdad.

''We expect that Iraq will honor its invitation to allow this to be addressed to the Iraqi people,'' Fitzwater said. ''And we will ask them to provide us airtime within the next five days.''

That the nature of the original offer was subject to interpretation seemed not to matter. Depicted in some reports last week as merely a request to send an Iraqi crew to interview Bush, the White House saw it as an opportunity at least to place the Iraqi government on the defensive by challenging it to broadcast the U.S. side of events in the gulf and at best a chance to paint doubts in the minds of the Iraqi people about the true motives and risks of Saddam's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

If the message is not aired within five days, Fitzwater said it will be widely released to news agencies in the United States, the Arab world and elsewhere to show what Bush would have told the Iraqi people if permitted.

In contrast to the occasionally sharp tone of Bush's televised speech Tuesday night to a joint session of Congress, Fitzwater said the message taped Wednesday was not so much ''an attack'' on Saddam as an explanation of the dire consequences his aggression may hold for the Iraqi people, whose economy may soon begin to suffer from a virtual U.N.-ordered trade embargo.

The principal themes, Fitzwater said, are ''that we have no quarrel with the Iraqi people, that the Iraqi government has forced incredible hardship on the people of Iraq by virtue of their naked aggression against Kuwait, that we are in the Persian Gulf to defend Saudi Arabia and that we want a peaceful resolution, we want peaceful coexistence with the Iraqi people.''

Those overtures were strikingly similar to assurances Bush directed toward

the people of Panama last year in a bit of psychological warfare that climaxed with the Dec. 20 invasion, inviting them to turn against Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega as the cause of their dire economic straits and increasing isolation from the world community.

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#90255u1116 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

AMMAN, JORDAN (SEPT. 12) UPI - Louis Coelho vows he will never go back to Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, even if he could have back his $500 a month job as a clerk.

''We were very settled in Kuwait with good jobs,'' the 27-year-old Bombay native said as he prepared to leave Jordan. ''Now, we have to think about doing something else in India, like opening a shop, or going somewhere else, but not back to Kuwait.''

Coehlo was one of lucky thousands of mostly Asian refugees who departed this week on an internationally coordinated airlift that has begun to reduce the mass of workers stranded in Jordan in the wake of the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

On Wednesday, 2,590 Bangladeshis, Sri Lankans and Filipinos left on eight chartered flights, said Antony Vassiliadis, head of the Amman office of the International Organization for Migration, which is overseeing the repatriation of the refugees.

Now, that daily charter flights are in operation, Jordanian and relief officials are hoping that they have seen the worst of the refugee problem.

''We are trying to increase the number of flights,'' he said. ''But everything is much better - the (food) relief and travel arrangements.''

As some refugees went to the airport, hundreds more were transfered from the border camps to Amman. In the city's Islamic Scientic College Street, dozens of Filipinos, carrying bags covered with desert dust, poured out of a line of eight buses into the Philippines Embassy's evacuation center.

According to the most recent estimates, about 67,000 Asian refugees remain in overburdened, makeshift camps or other facilities. However, reports indicated that the number of workers crossing the border from Iraq had dropped considerably.

Jordan Radio, citing the Saudi news agency, reported that Saudi Arabia had pledged $5 million to help Bangladeshis and other Moslems return home.

Relief officials still worry that thousands of Asian workers from Iraq and Kuwait may flood across the border.

To those who attempt the journey, Coehlo can testify to its perils. He said he spent nearly a week in a camp between the Jordanian and Iraqi borders where food, water and shelter from the desert sun were scarce.

''In the desert we suffered a lot,'' he said as he waited for a bus to take him from the refugee center at the Amman International Fair Grounds to the airport. ''It was the worst experience of my life.''

The bearded refugee said Iraqi soldiers had robbed many refugees.

''The Iraqis were opening our bags and taking whatever they wanted,'' he said, adding that the Jordanian soldiers had behaved well.

Asked if he blamed Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, Kuwait or the United States for his plight, Coehlo said it was none of his business.

''We are not politicians. We are working people,'' he said as a circle of companions, who had made the grueling journey from Kuwait with him, nodded in agreement.

''We don't know anything about politics. This is the work of ministers and leaders.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - Farmers from the Carolinas to Texas described huge crop losses from hostile weather - a problem little noticed with bumper crops nationwide - but it was unclear Wednesday if Congress could do much to help.

''For many farmers, there will be little, if any, money to pay bills at season's end,'' Harry Bell, president of the South Carolina Farm Bureau, said after describing stunted crops in his state.

Cotton farmer Bobby Webster from Burke County, Ga., said the need for a disaster-relief program ''is made clear when we see 70 percent of the counties in the Southeast suffering major losses.'' Webster said cotton yields in Alabama could be among the lowest in modern times.

Tommy Funk, of Harlingen, Texas, said some of his best cotton land produced 125 pounds an acre, 600 pounds less than normal. As president of the National Cotton Council, Funk called for congressional passage of a disaster relief law similar to the programs that spent $5.5 billion to compensate farmers for losses in 1988 and 1989.

Members of the House Agriculture Committee expressed sympathy for farmers'

plight and the desire to provide aid. They also noted that pressure to curtail federal spending might handcuff attempts to pass a new disaster law.

''It raises the question ... is there going to be any money?'' said Rep. Glenn English, D-Okla.

At the same time, committee members said the government was not doing enough under its existing programs to help farmers through a tough time.

Rep. Charles Hatcher, D-Ga., said the programs, which range from low- cost loans to cost-sharing on livestock feed ''don't begin to face the need we have experienced.'' Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Texas, agreed and said the low participation rate on crop insurance meant, ''There's a lot of folks slipping through the cracks.''

Georgia's agriculture commissioner said crop losses were estimated at $474 million at the end of August in his state.

''I feel the programs in place at (the Agriculture Department) can meet the needs of the farmers that have been affected by adverse conditions in 1990,'' said Daniel Shaw, deputy administrator of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

The Farmers Home Administration has made 2,500 low-interest emergency loans totaling $95 million in counties with large-scale farm losses. The ASCS has provided $7 million in cost-share payments for livestock feed, $32 million to rebuild land damaged by disasters, and given farmers in 474 counties in 26 states permission for haying and grazing on crop set- aside land.

In addition, Shaw said, farmers in areas that experienced flooding had the chance to switch some of their land to the so-called Zero-92 program, which allows farmers to collect a crop support payment even if no crop is planted.

Norton Strommen, the Agriculture Department's chief meteorologist, said the ''highly favorable'' 30-day forecast indicated a chance for crop-restoring rains in the South and warm, dry weather to spur crop development in the central states.

''The final yields across the Corn Belt will depend on warm September temperatures while yield potential across the Southern states can still benefit from late-season rain,'' Strommen said.

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SAVANNAH, GA (SEPT. 12) UPI - The Savannah Area Chamber of Commerce appealed to the public Wednesday to donate towels, lip gloss, eye drops and other items needed by U.S. soldiers to cope with the heat and grit of the Saudi Arabian desert.

A 40-foot container ship reserved by Carolina Shipping Co. is to carry the supplies to Saudi Arabia in mid-October for distribution to the Army's 24th Infantry Mechanized Division and Victory Brigade.

The 24th Infantry is based at Fort Stewart in nearby Hinesville, and its Victory Brigade is based at Hunter Army Airfield in Savannah. Most of the 24th Infantry's 18,000 troops have been deployed to Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield, the U.S. military operation to defend that country against a possible attack by Iraq.

''The troops are in real need of very simple incidental items,'' said Ron Worthington, chairman of the chamber's military/civilian relations council. ''We want the community to help these troops in our own way by providing these items.''

Worthington said 17 drop sites will be set up around Chatham County to collect donations for the ''Operation Savannah Cares'' project. Donated items will be accepted between Oct. 1 and Oct. 5.

The chamber's wish list includes powdered Gatorade, preferably lemon- lime flavor; white or beige towels; unwaxed dental floss (waxed floss melts in high temperatures); toothbrushes; plain stationery; lip gloss; and saline eye drops.

''One big hit item (among thirsty soldiers) is the Gatorade in lemon- lime flavor, said Burt Sappenfield, owner of Coastal Chem-Dry, which helped coordinate the project. ''This is extremely good to go along with ''go along with

Worthington said the requested supplies would help soldiers ''tolerate the heat, the grit and the grime throughout this operation.''

The Red Cross is to assist in distributing the supplies to soldiers, he said.

''Things like this are needed.... But, more important than the actual donations is the support they represent,'' said Lt. Col. Bob Oakley, commander of Hunter Army Airfield.

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#90255u1153 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 12) UPI - German impresario Wolfgang Sawallisch, whose

asociation with the Philadelphia Orchestra dates back 24 years, Wednesday was named musical director of the world-renown orchestra.

''Please, trust me to make everything possible, to work with you, to make music with you,'' Sawallisch said in a thick accent brimming with emotion and enthusiasm during a news conference.

Sawallisch, director of Germany's Bavarian State Opera in Munich, will take over the Academy of Music podium in the 1993-94 season. He replaces Riccardo Muti, who will end a 12-year reign with the Philadelphia Orchestra after the 1992 season.

Displaying the exacting professionalism for which he is known, Sawallisch, 67, called for building a new concert hall, a proposal backed by orchestra board President Theodore Burtis.

Sawallisch said he accepted the offer to become the orchestra's sixth musical director primarily because of its high-caliber musicians and for the opportunity to tour the world with the orchestra. During the 1992-93 season, as music director designate, he will lead the orchestra on a tour of the United States and Asia.

Sawallisch is no stranger to the Academy of Music podium, having debuted here as guest conductor in 1966 and appeared frequently during Muti's tenure.

''I remember very well the first days and weeks after the invitation by Maestro (Eugene) Ormandy (in 1966) and we had a lot of discussions and personal speeches about the tradition of this orchestra founded in 1900,'' Sawallisch said.

Sawallisch's dedication to Philadelphia made him the outstanding choice among the 230 candidates screened by the orchestra's search committee, said John Christy, committee chairman.

Sawallisch vowed to place his own imprint on the orchestra by playing pieces seldom heard in the city, as well as operas and more American music.

Under his initial three-year contract, Sawallisch will be on the podium for 60 concerts a year and will spend 15 weeks in the city and at the orchestra's summer home in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. Muti, who will become conductor laureate after he steps down, has been criticized for spending a mere 13 weeks in the city each season.

Sawallisch will leave his post with the Bavarian State Opera in 1993 but will keep his home near Munich. He also intends to maintain commitments to concert centers throughout Europe.

Sawallisch conducted the Augsberg symphony orchestra for six years before a five-year stint as musical director at Aachen ending in 1958. He then went on to become musical director of the Wiesbaden orchestra and the Cologne Opera and was the principal conductor of the Vienna Symphony Orchestra from 1960 to 1970.

In 1971, he he was named director of the Bavarian State Opera.

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#90255u1183 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - In the first congressional action on the issue, a House panel approved a bill Wednesday to revoke the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's new policy relaxing disposal rules for some low-level radioactive waste.

By voice vote, the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee passed legislation that would negate the NRC's June 27 announcement that it would deregulate the disposal of slightly radioactive wastes considered ''below regulatory concern'' by NRC experts.

In addition, the bill would give states the right to regulate any wastes that might be deregulated by the NRC under any revised BRC policy. That provision is particularly important because it would open the first ''states' rights'' loophole in the Atomic Energy Act, which currently empowers the NRC to override any state policies concerning nuclear safety.

''Rapid enactment of the bill is necessary because the (BRC) policy would permit the disposal of radioactive waste from nuclear reactors in ordinary landfills rather than licensed radioactive waste sites,'' said Rep. George Miller, D-Calif., prime sponsor of the bill. ''This defies common sense.''

The committee also approved an amendment by Rep. Nick Rahall, D- W.Va., that would require the NRC to notify the governor of any state due to receive a shipment of deregulated low-level waste.

The bill now goes to the House Energy and Commerce Committee, where it has broad support.

With only a few weeks left in this year's congressional session, aides to the interior panel said the bill may not make it through the House this year.

However, one aide said, ''This thing is going to become law, if not this year, than next year.''

In the Senate, Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine has expressed support for giving states the right to regulate low-level nuclear waste disposal, but there has been no action to date.

Currently, all low-level radioactive waste must be sent to specially designed landfills with stringent environmental safeguards to prevent leakage of contaminants into groundwater.

However, under the ''below regulatory concern'' policy, waste generators could apply to the NRC for exemptions that would allow disposal of some wastes in ordinary municipal landfills.

Low-level waste includes such items as contaminated protective clothing worn by nuclear plant workers, animal carcasses and from medical laboratories and diagnostic instruments from hospitals.

NRC officials say any wastes that might be deregulated under the policy carry such low levels of radioactivity - well below that received in a medical X-ray - that they pose little or no risk to public health. They note the commission already has deregulated disposal of some items, such as home smoke detectors.

The agency said the deregulatory policy is needed to free up NRC personnel to work on more serious radiation dangers.

But opponents charge the NRC policy could result in multiple exemptions for several different kinds of wastes, meaning significant amounts of radioactivity could accumulate in some landfills and eventually leak into ground water used as drinking supplies.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - World War Two has been all but formally ended with the signing of a treaty in Moscow. It clears the way to unite East and West Germany next month. The treaty ends the rights the four Allied powers have held since 1945. It specifies the current borders will be the borders for a united Germany and that the country makes NO claims for any other territory, now or in the future.

Calls for a holy war are being made by Iranian spiritual leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. He says that U-S troops will NOT be allowed to remain in Saudi Arabia and that Moslem countries in the region should be responsible for security in the Persian Gulf. The call comes amid signs that former enemies Iran and Iraq are drawing closer to each other.

A high-level Israeli delegation is off to Moscow for talks described as very important. The trip is being made at the invitation of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze. Diplomatic relations between the two broke after the 1967 Arab-Israeli war but have warmed in recent years. Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy has called on Moscow to stop supplying arms to Arab nations.

Researchers from Detroit warn that smoking crack cocaine is like playing ''Russian roulette.'' They've found evidence linking crack usage to an increase in strokes among people under the age of 45. And they warn that if the strokes don't kill you, they could leave you permanently incapacitated.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - Canadian and American planes and Coast Guard vessels are searching a 300-thousand-square-mile area in the northern Atlantic Ocean, hunting for a Peruvian Boeing 727. The plane ditched in the north Atlantic with at least 15 people aboard on a flight that originated in Milan, Italy. A Canadian spokesman says two American planes and five Canadian are taking part in the search, along with five U-S Coast Guard and Canadian Navy vessels.

Rebel and government leaders in Cambodia are calling for a voluntary cease-fire today... the day after their break-through agreement on a United Nations peace plan. The warring sides in Cambodia also are winding down their radio propaganda conflict. And word also came today that China and Vietnam are endorsing the agreement. China and Vietnam each backed different factions in the civil war, which has raged for more than a decade.

Publisher Peter Kalikow moved up his deadline by 28 hours as negotiators for the New York Post and its nine unions picked discussed ways to save the nation's oldest continuously published newspaper. Kalikow- a real estate Millionaire- advanced from Saturday midnight to 8 p-m Friday the deadline to save the paper. Kalikow is seeking new wage and job concessions, saying he has lost 93-Million dollars since buying the Post in 1988.

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DETROIT (SEPT. 12) UPI - Despite reports that bargaining between the United Auto Workers and General Motors Corp. is again moving well, the union is apparently preparing to strike selected plants if no agreement is reached by the Friday midnight deadline.

Meanwhile, a GM spokesman declined comment on a report by the Detroit Free Press Wednesday that the company would formally announce before the deadline that five plants it now describes as ''indefinitely idled'' will indeed be permanently closed.

Those plants include ones in Pontiac, Mich., its Leeds plant in Kansas

City, Mo.; Framingham, Mass.; Lakewood, Ga.; and Harrison, N.Y.; as well as a small tool and die operation in Detroit and five warehouses.

''I am aware of no such announcement,'' said John Maciarz, a spokesman for GM's labor relations.

UAW Vice President Stephen P. Yokich, who is heading the union's negotiations with GM covering about 330,000 active and idled workers, was slated to meet with GM Chairman Robert Stempel on Wednesday. The meeting could be critical to the outcome of the bargaining.

Earlier this week, talks reportedly stalled over the core issue of job security, with sources saying GM wanted to limit a no-layoff pledge to workers with 20 years' or more seniority, which is just over half the automaker's workforce. The UAW wants to guarantee the jobs of all GM workers.

But GM and the UAW agreed on a new attendance policy, under which workers who are absent without permission 16 times within a 12-month period would be subject to a five-step disciplinary procedure that could result in dismissal.

Still at issue is GM's desire to scrap a contract provision that forces it to hire one worker for every two who quit, retire or die.

Industry experts say GM, which has seen its share of the U.S. auto market shrink nearly 10 points to about 36 percent during the last decade, must still close more plants to get production in line with demand.

The union, which has seen its total membership shrink from 1.5 million to fewer than 900,000 during the 1980s, has been bargaining since mid-July for new contracts covering about 500,000 hourly workers at GM, Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp.

Late last month it chose GM as its strike target this year in hopes of negotiating a contract which can be used as a pattern at the other top U.S. carmakers.

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#90255u1241 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

RANGOON, Burma (SEPT. 12) UPI - Burma's military government, citing an increase in foreign investment and trade, denied Wednesday it has brought the resource-rich country to the brink of bankruptcy.

''There have been allegations that we have no foreign exchange, that we don't know how to earn it, and that our country is economically bankrupt, but these allegations are definitely false,'' said Maj. Gen. Khin Nyunt,

secretary of the ruling military junta.

Khin Nyunt, speaking at a press conference Tuesday, said the regime's foreign enemies have tried to make the economic situation appear worse than it is in an effort to destabilize the regime which has so far delayed handing over power to opposition deputies elected to control the legislature in May.

He said several foreign companies have begun operations in Burma following the military takeover in September 1988.

These enterprises include onshore oil and gas exploration and production, fishing, timber extraction and industrial production, he said.

The foreign investors have included South Korean manufacturers, U.S., British and Canadian oil firms, and Thai fishing and timber companies, he said.

Khin Nyunt said he was optimistic that the current high rate of inflation will fall when more goods and services are produced by newly formed private enterprises and coperatives.

He said inflation was running at about 16 percent per year, but the Asian Development Bank has put the rate at more than 70 percent.

The military leader said the 10 foreign oil firms which have signed production-sharing contracts with the government, will invest a total of $320.54 million in the first three years of operations.

He said the volume of two-way trade with China amounted to $2.3 million since it was reopened in December 1988.

Khin Nyunt said exports had risen from $129.5 million in 1988-89 to $150.3 million in 1989-90.

He said the government has planned major irrigation projects to boost agricultural production.

One project, in the Mu valley in central Burma, will take 16 years to complete and cost $1 billion, he said.

The project is expected to provide 30 megawatts of hydro-electrocity and supply water to irrigate over 500,000 acres of farmland.

''We have been carrying out development work throughout the country - building roads, bridges, etc. - and have so far spent $342.4 million in foreign exchange,'' he said.

Khin Nyunt's speech was seen by many as a public relations exercise timed for the second anniversary of direct military rule on Sept. 18.

The military crushed pro-democracy demonstrators and seized direct power from the military-backed socialist government.

The military government yielded to demands to hold elections and to change the socialist economic system to a market economy.

So far, however, the military has rejected calls to allow the Parliament to meet this month and has made only slow progress in liberalizing the economy.

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#90255u1250 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 12) UPI - Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar appointed arepresentative Wednesday to oversee the resettlement of tens of thousands of refugees stranded in the Persian Gulf because of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

U.N. spokesman Francois Giuliani said Sadruddin Aga Khan, who is responsible for the resettlement of millions of Afghan refugees, will assist the foreignnationals, mostly Asian workers suffering from a severe food shortage and unable to leave Kuwait or Iraq.

Giuliani said Perez de Cuellar made the decision ''given the multi- faceted nature and magnitude of the challenge and the need to contain human suffering as far as possible.''

He said several U.N. agencies and a number of non-governmental organizations have worked together to bring humanitarian aid to the nationals along borders of countries neighboring Iraq and Kuwait.

Aga Khan is currently residing in Geneva and may travel soon to the Persian Gulf to investigate the situation.

Aga Khan's appointment was made as the U.N. Security Council's sanctions committee ended a series of meetings to hear complaints from countries severely affected by the U.N. trade and military embargo against Iraq. The embargo was imposed Aug. 6 four days after Iraq invaded Kuwait.

The committee had been discussing requests from India, the Philippines and Sri Lanka to unilaterally send ships with food and medicine to their nationals stranded mostly in Kuwait and to take them home. The committee wanted U.N. control over food shipments to Iraq or Kuwait because of the U.N. embargo.

The Iraqi government of President Saddam Hussein has been holding foreign

nationals, including more than 20,000 Westerners, as hostages against possible reprisals by the U.S.-led multinational force stationed in the gulf region.

Saddam also wanted to trade the freedom of these nationals for food supplies that fell under strict U.N. sanctions.

The committee, however, could not get a consensus on India, the Philippines and Sri Lanka's requests after hours of closed-door discussions because of the opposition from Cuba and Yemen, which rejected U.N. control over any humanitarian operations. Committee Chairman Marjatta Rasi of Finland has requested the 15-nation Security Council meet and take a vote on the requests.

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#90255u1293 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

RANGOON, BURMA (SEPT. 12) UPI - Burma's military government, citing an increase in foreign investment and trade, denied Wednesday it has brought the resource-rich country to the brink of bankruptcy.

''There have been allegations that we have no foreign exchange, that we don't know how to earn it, and that our country is economically bankrupt, but these allegations are definitely false,'' said Maj. Gen. Khin Nyunt, secretary of the ruling military junta.

Khin Nyunt, speaking at a press conference Tuesday, said the regime's foreign enemies have tried to make the economic situation appear worse than it is in an effort to destabilize the regime which has so far delayed handing over power to opposition deputies elected to control the legislature in May.

He said several foreign companies have begun operations in Burma following the military takeover in September 1988.

These enterprises include onshore oil and gas exploration and production, fishing, timber extraction and industrial production, he said.

The foreign investors have included South Korean manufacturers, U.S., British and Canadian oil firms, and Thai fishing and timber companies, he said.

Khin Nyunt said he was optimistic that the current high rate of inflation will fall when more goods and services are produced by newly formed private enterprises and coperatives.

He said inflation was running at about 16 percent annually, but the Asian Development Bank has put the rate at more than 70 percent.

The military leader said the 10 foreign oil firms which have signed

production-sharing contracts with the government, will invest a total of $320.54 million in the first three years of operations.

He said the volume of two-way trade with China amounted to $2.3 million since it was reopened in December 1988.

Khin Nyunt said exports had risen from $129.5 million in 1988-89 to $150.3 million in 1989-90.

He said the government has planned major irrigation projects to boost agricultural production.

One project, in the Mu valley in central Burma, will take 16 years to complete and cost $1 billion, he said.

The project is expected to provide 30 megawatts of hydro-electrocity and supply water to irrigate over 500,000 acres of farmland.

''We have been carrying out development work throughout the country - building roads, bridges, etc. - and have so far spent $342.4 million in foreign exchange,'' he said.

Khin Nyunt's speech was seen by many as a public relations exercise timed for the second anniversary of direct military rule on Sept. 18.

The military crushed pro-democracy demonstrators and seized direct power from the military-backed socialist government.

The military government yielded to demands to hold elections and to change the socialist economic system to a market economy.

So far, however, the military has rejected calls to allow the Parliament to meet this month and has made only slow progress in liberalizing the economy.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

SALES

Net Income (per share)

Latest Period Year Earlier

A L Van Houtte (1st Q 7-21)

$7,312,000 $7,075,000
$796,000 (.18) $599,000 (.15)

Enclean Inc (4th Q 6-30)
$16,326,000 $10,296,000
$865,000 (.20) $312,000 (.14)

Meyer Fred Inc (2nd Q 8-18)
$562,668,000 $487,668,000
$8,631,000 (.35) $7,442,000 (.30)

Safecard Services (3rd Q 7-31)
$35,224,000 $28,550,000
$7,927,000 (.26) $5,783,000 (.20)

Wallace Computer Sv (4th Q 7-31)
$112,119,000 $109,707,000
$10,682,000 (.50) $10,023,000 (.48)

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 12) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	78.85	78.92	78.65	78.85	78.95
Dec	76.90	76.90	76.60	76.75	76.97
Feb	75.55	75.62	75.35	75.47	75.60
Apr	75.90	76.15	75.90	76.02	76.02
Jun	73.70	73.97	73.70	73.90	73.95
Aug	72.00	72.22	72.00	72.10	72.00
Oct	72.20	72.20	72.10	72.10	72.05

Est. sales 9,237 contracts; Tuesday 16,471; open interest 71,069 up 961.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Sep	87.70	87.80	87.55	87.60	87.75
Oct	86.80	87.00	86.57	86.62	86.95
Nov	86.85	87.10	86.65	86.80	87.05
Jan	86.25	86.45	86.05	86.22	86.40
Mar	84.90	84.90	84.65	84.75	84.92
Apr	....	83.75	83.60	83.60	83.80
May	82.62	82.62	82.55	82.55	82.70

Est. sales 1,005 contracts; Tuesday 1,834; open interest 9,912 off 87.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	50.75	50.95	50.52	50.67	50.72
Dec	51.15	51.57	50.95	51.47	51.25
Feb	48.55	48.90	48.52	48.80	48.67

Apr 44.92 45.20 44.90 45.10 44.92
Jun 49.55 49.60 49.45 49.60 49.40
Jly 49.70 49.75 49.65 49.75 49.65
Aug 48.40 48.40 48.20 48.40 48.30
Oct .... 43.50 43.30 43.40 43.70 Est. sales 5,327 contracts; Tuesday 9,131; open interest 26,574 off 1,382.
Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 53.00 54.70 52.50 54.60 52.72
Mar 52.80 54.60 52.50 54.47 52.67
May 54.10 55.10 53.40 55.10 53.10
Jly 54.05 55.50 53.80 55.42 53.87
Aug .... 52.35 .... 52.35 51.60 Est. sales 3,913 contracts; Tuesday 2,551; open interest 6,228 off 207.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.63 up 40 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 118.54 up 37 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 114.75 up 33 cents, 700-850 lbs. 113.85 up 13 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow to moderate; demand good; fresh pork loins not fully established but a lower undertone was noted; Boston butts not tested; skinned hams 50-1.00 higher; seedless bellies firm in a thin test; loins 14-18 lbs.119.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 91.00-91.50, 20-26 lbs. 90.50-92.00; bellies 14-18 lbs.47.00.

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#90255u1306 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
WARSAW, POLAND (SEPT. 12) UPI - Solidarity Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki's first year in office was a balanced mix of success and failure but his personal popularity has not faded despite his tough economic austerity measures, the Polish media said Wednesday.

''He has been a moderate politician which is the rare case as regards the winners,'' commented Trybuna, the newspaper of the former Communist Party which is in opposition to Mazowiecki's government.

Following a landslide win by Solidarity in the June 1989 parliamentary elections and the failure of the ruling communists to form a government, Solidarity leader Lech Walesa and the union forwarded Mazowiecki as its candidate for premier.

He was almost unanimously elected by parliament and announced his cabinet on

Sept. 12, 1989.

Mazowiecki took over after 45 years of communist rule which devastated economy through mismanagement, bureaucracy and subjugation to Moscow. Poland owes the west $42 billion and Moscow $6 billion.

Mazowiecki, Walesa's former aide, launched Poland's ''Big Bang'' of economic reforms on Jan. 1. But the cautious premier, in Walesa's opinion at least, has been slower on political reform.

Walesa has called for the ouster of President Wojciech Jaruzelski by the end of the year, the only leading figure of the former communist system still in power, and new parliamentary elections. Walesa has suggested he will run for president, while Mazowiecki has not ruled out running against him.

Poland's Roman Catholic primate, Cardinal Jozef Glemp, apparently on the recommendation of Polish-born Pope John Paul II, invited both Walesa and Mazowiecki to meet Sept. 18 to iron out differences that may jeopardize internal stability.

Mazowiecki has removed about 60 percent of communist officials from the state administration - a figure Walesa has said is too low - and has allowed former communists to take over small enterprises.

Leszek Balcerowicz, his finance minister, has brought the threat of hyperinflation under control, but prices are still rising at a 200 percent annual rate, currently the highest in Europe.

As the result of the higher prices on most commodities, the living standard has dropped by more than 30 percent and unemployment soared to more than 800,000 in a country of 39 million.

But lines in front of shops have disappeared and many kinds of fancy western products are on sale in Polish shops now.

Although Mazowiecki personally remains popular, some of his ministers have come under increasing criticism recently.

The avalanche of changes in all walks of life has produced a series of shocks for the Polish people, and Mazowiecki's government spokeswoman, Malgorzata Niezabitowska, is under fire for failing to explain them to the public.

''Niezabitowska as a woman is more attractive than Jerzy Urban,'' said Trybuna referring to the witty and acerbic former communist spokesman. ''The journalists, however, prefer news to nice views.''

The independent daily Gazeta Wyborcza also rated Niezabitowska and Building Minister Aleksander Paszynski as failures in Mazowiecki's cabinet, but praised

Balcerowicz for his stringent finacial policy.

A recent poll conducted by the state-controlled CBOS public survey office said Mazowiecki had more credibility among those polled than Walesa.

But the public picked up Walesa as the man who has the biggest potential to introduce a new wave of bold political reforms if he became president.

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#90255u1327 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 12) UPI - Engineers replaced a crushed seal in a fuel line valve aboard the shuttle Columbia, presumably eliminating an elusive hydrogen leak and allowing NASA managers Wednesday to formally clear the ship for a fourth launch try Tuesday.

Columbia's oft-interrupted countdown is scheduled to begin at 1 a.m. EDT Saturday for a launch attempt at 1:28 a.m. Tuesday to kick off a 10- day astronomy mission running more than three months late because of hydrogen leaks and trouble with an on-board telescope.

At the same time, NASA announced the shuttle Discovery had been tentatively cleared for takeoff around Oct. 8 to carry a European-built solar probe into space. The flight had been planned for Oct. 5.

Columbia's target date was announced after the Air Force apparently agreed to reschedule the launch of a Titan 4 rocket and after engineers replaced a damaged seal in the shuttle's engine compartment that appears to explain the hydrogen leak that grounded Columbia last week.

The seal, in a fuel line valve leading to main engine No. 3, apparently was damaged during installation earlier this year. The problem was not discovered until weekend tests indicated trouble with the washer-like seal, slightly larger than a silver dollar.

''It was crushed, flattened and misaligned 45 degrees around,'' said an engineer who requested anonymity. ''They say that was enough to account for the total leak. Do you believe that? I think that's great!''

Henry Pohl, director of engineering at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, was more cautious.

''I don't think there's any doubt that that's a big part of the problem,'' he said in a telephone interview. ''Does it explain all of the data? I don't know that we can say that yet.''

But technicians were unable to find any major leaks in a set of fuel pumps removed from Columbia over the weekend that originally were thought to have

leaked during fueling last Wednesday, forcing NASA to ground the shuttle for the third time in three months.

The discovery of a seriously damaged seal in Columbia's engine room would appear to resolve the issue, although gun-shy NASA officials were reluctant to make any predictions after a launchless summer of false hopes and repeated delays.

The launch date announcement was held up Tuesday because of a scheduling conflict between NASA and the Air Force, which had planned to launch a powerful Titan 4 Monday night from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station to carry a classified military satellite into orbit, sources said.

Early Wednesday, a reliable source said the Titan launch had been rescheduled, keeping Columbia on track for an early Tuesday liftoff.

Commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46, plan to fly to Florida Sunday for final preparations.

Space agency managers are under considerable pressure to launch Columbia as soon as possible to clear the decks for Discovery's flight next month to carry the European-built Ulysses solar probe into space.

The Ulysses mission has priority because to get the probe on the proper course to the sun, Discovery must be launched between Oct. 5 and Oct. 23 or the mission will face a 13-month delay.

Columbia originally was scheduled for launch May 30, but the flight was grounded the night before when sensors detected hydrogen gas spewing into the ship's engine room.

Subsequent tests traced the problem to damaged seals inside a massive 17-inch-wide fuel line ''disconnect'' fitting that allows the shuttle's external tank to be jettisoned in space. A similar leak grounded the shuttle Atlantis in July.

In the meantime, Columbia was equipped with a new disconnect fitting but a second attempt to launch the ship Sept. 1 was scuttled by problems with an on-board telescope. The crew's third takeoff try ended in failure last Wednesday when hydrogen was again detected leaking into the engine room.

But this time around, the 17-inch disconnect fitting was leak free, focusing suspicion on three fuel pumps used to circulate supercold hydrogen rocket fuel through critical engine systems prior to launch.

The pumps were replaced over the weekend and shipped to the Johnson Space

Center in Houston for analysis.

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#90255u1331 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (SEPT. 12) UPI - The government weighed plans Wednesday to reinforce Britain's military presence in the Persian Gulf with ground troops and tanks, touching off angry demonstrations in Baghdad where the Union Jack was burned.

About 500 Iraqis chanted anti-British slogans and battered an effigy of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, stomping it to the ground in front of the British Embassy in Iraq, the British Broadcasting Corp. said.

They also shouted their support for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, burned the British flag and danced through the flames.

The demonstration reflected mounting anti-Western sentiments in the Gulf as the United States and Britain pledged to bolster their military presence in the region until Iraq withdraws from Kuwait.

Iran's spiritual leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, urged Moslems Wednesday to fight a holy war to force U.S. troops out of the Gulf.

Thatcher and members of her Cabinet's Overseas and Defense Committee ministers met this week to examine options such as sending tanks, infantry and air mobile troops to the Gulf to strengthen the defensive shield set up in Saudi Arabia by the United States.

Among the possibilities under review was sending an armored brigade of up to 100 tanks and 1,000 to 7,000 support staff to the Gulf from Germany, according various news reports.

The Ministry of Defense declined to comment on the reports, saying, ''No decision has been taken yet.''

''What you read in the press is total, total speculation at this point. Final decisions have not been taken on what else might be sent,'' a spokesman said.

Britain was responding to the United States' appeal for a stronger international military presence in the region. U.S. Secretary of State James Baker called Monday for NATO allies to add their troops to the thousands of U.S. soliders in the Gulf.

Citing informed sources at Thatcher's meeting, the Independent newspaper said the government's main goal was to demonstrate solidarity with the United States.

Thatcher was expected to announce Britain's plans Friday before flying to

Eastern Europe for a visit.

Britain now has 3,000 military personnel in the Gulf ''theater of activity,'' and another 2,000 either on their way to the region or just outside it, adefense spokesman said.

The 5,000 include members of the Royal Navy, Royal Air Force and a small number of army signals staff.

Britain has 11 naval and support ships in the Gulf region, three squadrons of combat aircraft and a detachment of maritime patrol aircraft.

It is the largest movement of British forces since they battled Argentine troops for the Falkland Islands in 1982.

American troops based in Saudi Arabia said they welcomed reports that Britain may add more forces, the British Broadcasting Corp. said.

''The more you have, the better it is ... the easier to defend,'' U.S. Army Capt. Mike Sherman told the BBC.

More than 100,000 U.S. troops are in and near Saudi Arabia, and U.S. Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney has said the mobolization will continue for an undetermined length of time.

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#90255u1335 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 12) UPI - Prior commitments will keep President Bush from traveling to Berlin October 3rd for what is now expected to be a historic celebration of Germany's re-unification. The announcement from the White House comes after the Allied powers signed a treaty in Moscow that gives up rights they have had since 1945.

The carrier U-S-S Dwight D. Eisenhower and the guided-missile cruiser U-S-S Ticonderoga sailed back home to Norfolk, Virginia, today after a six-month deployment. The ships were deployed to the Mediterranean Sea for six months, but the mission was altered because of the Persian Gulf build-up. The vessels were ordered to the Persian Gulf when Iraq invaded Kuwait.

President Bush today is videotaping a message he hopes will be broadcast to the Iraqi people by the state-run media in Iraq. A U-S crew is taping the message, which will feature sub-titles in Arabic. Officials said previously that it would be made available to broadcast world-wide, including several other Arab nations and the Voice of America.

The Texas Supreme Court ruled 7-2 today that Gulf States Utilities Company

is NOT entitled to a second hearing on whether it's prudent for it to pass on to consumers the cost of a nuclear power plant. The Texas Public Utility Commission ruled in a first hearing that only two-point-two-BILLION of the four-point-five-BILLION-dollar cost could be passed on.

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#90255u1355 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 12) UPI - Federal prosecutors in New Jersey may ask that the courtroom be closed during part of the trial of two research scientists charged with trying to sell drug manufacturing secrets. The request comes in a move to keep trade information from becoming public knowledge during the trial. The defendants were arrested after they sold documents to undercover F-B-I agents in Atlanta.

Nine arrests have now been made in a Greenpeace demonstration in San Diego Harbor. Protestors surrounded the tanker Exxon Mediterranean as it prepared to sail to the Middle East. The tanker is the renamed and refitted Exxon Valdez, held responsible for the worst oil disaster in the nation's history. Charges against those arrested could run from trespassing to creating a disturbance.

A firm announcement is expected sometime today on a launch date for the troubled shuttle Columbia. Next Tuesday seems to be the best bet at this time. But there's a conflict possible with the Air Force which reportedly plans a secret, unmanned mission on Monday. It normally takes two days between major flights to reset tracking radars and other criticial pieces of equipment.

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#90255u1363 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

BEVERLY HILLS, CA (SEPT. 12) UPI - A federal bankruptcy court has approved the proposed $42.4 million sale of Qintex Entertainment Inc.'s television programming assets to producer Robert Halmi, Qintex said Wednesday.

Halmi's RHI Entertainment Inc. of New York will acquire the Qintex library, which includes the hit CBS miniseries ''Lonesome Dove.'' Other assets include accounts receivable, development projects and other programming assets.

Qintex, a TV programmer which filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection last October, said it expected to close the deal by the end of October.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Lisa Hill Fenning approved the sale Tuesday following a 90-minute hearing which featured appearances by attorneys for actors and producers who have agreements with Qintex.

The company has earlier reported court approval for the sale of Qintex's

interest in HR Broadcasting Inc., which owns two television stations - WTTO of Birmingham, Ala., and WCGV in Milwaukee. The stations are being sold to ABRY Communications for over $40 million, with Qintex receiving about $20 million.

The ABRY transaction was expected to close in November.

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#90255u1371 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 28 to 33 points lower. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	11.13	11.15	10.85	11.00	11.33
Mar	10.85	10.88	10.60	10.73	11.01
May	10.85	10.86	10.65	10.68	11.00
Jly	10.86	10.86	10.69	10.68	10.99
Oct	10.75	10.84	10.75	10.75	11.04

Estimated sales: 24,904 contracts

Open interest: 113,595 off 1,608

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.06

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 4 to 16 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.10	23.11	22.89	22.95	23.11
Jan	22.85	22.85	22.70	22.72	22.85
Mar	22.82	22.82	22.76	22.77	22.82
May	22.85	22.85	22.80	22.80	22.86
Jly	22.85	22.85	22.80	22.80	22.87
Sep	22.83	22.83	22.78	22.80	22.86
Nov	22.65	22.65	22.65	22.65	22.69

Estimated sales: 757 contracts

Open interest: 10,112 off 117

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#90255u1373 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (SEPT. 12) UPI - Canadian Autoworkers rejected Wednesday the first monetary proposal put forward by Ford Motor Co. of Canada Ltd., but said it was a ''step in the right direction''.

CAW president Bob White said the union was ''rejecting'' the offer, but that it would be used as a basis for further discussions.

Ford Canada spokesman Jim Hartford said the company made ''an economic offer''

to the union that dealt with ''elements such as wages, income security, cost-of-living allowance, (and) vacation time.''

Hartford said the two sides adjourned for a short period of time but later returned to the bargaining table.

CAW spokeswoman Peggy Nash said the union's rejection of the offer ''doesn't mean we are breaking off talks.''

Nash said the union believes the offer was ''a step in the right direction''.

''I think it's safe to say that in just about every area there was some movement in what we call the right direction we want the company to go, but the amount of movement was very small,'' Nash said.

The union's key issues at the outset of the talks included security against contracting work out and against technological changes, income security, better protection against plant closings and shorter work time.

Talks between the two began in earnest a week ago after the CAW chose Ford as its target in negotiations with the Canadian operations of the Big Three U.S. auto companies. The current agreements expire at midnight Friday.

Ford Canada employs 12,800 CAW members at assembly and manufacturing plants and a parts depot across the province of Ontario.

Ford workers overwhelmingly voted last month in favor of strike action, if one is required.

The CAW - which broke away from the United Auto Workers of America during the mid-1980s - also represents 36,500 General Motors Canada workers and 11,300 Chrysler Canada workers at various assembly and parts plants in Ontario and Quebec.

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#90255u1381 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

RALEIGH, NC (SEPT. 12) UPI - Red, white and blue bunting and an abundance of tender loving care were assembled Wednesday for the arrival Thursday of more than 300 Americans freed from the fists of Iraqi strongman Saddam Hussein.

A Northwest Orient 747 carrying 330 U.S. citizens held hostage in oil-rich Kuwait under Iraqi forces was scheduled to arrive at the Raleigh-Durham International Airport at about 4:30 p.m. EDT after dropping off about 100 Europeans in London earlier in the day.

The Americans, held in Kuwait since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion, will be welcomed home by Red Cross workers ladened with yellow carnations and lots of tender

loving care in the form of food, medical care, clothing, emergency loans, child care, hotel accomodations, airline tickets home, mental health counseling and even veterinary service for their pets.

Children will be given teddy bears and other toys donated by toy companies and stores across North Carolina and a church day care center has promised to babysit while parents go through immigration and other processing services.

''Basically, we're set up for whatever they need,'' said Renee Hoffman, spokeswoman for the state Crime Control & Public Safety Department.

''If they want to go to a hotel and get a good night's sleep, we can do that. If they need a change of clothes, we can do that,'' she said. ''Mental health counselors will be there if anyone just wants to sit down and talk about what they've been through.''

The plane load represents the fourth and largest group of returning Americans since Saddam Hussein permitted women and children to flee Kuwait where food has been reported scare.

Most of the returning U.S. citizens are women and children. American men and other foreign men, many in hiding from Iraqi soldiers, are prohibited from leaving and likely will be used as human shields against a possible attack.

Ham radio operators are volunteering to relay messages for the returning Americans to anywhere in the country. Students from the North Carolina State School of Veterinary Medicine will tend to pets.

''A lot of hostages brought animals with them,'' Hoffman said.

Fresh fruits, soups, salads, sandwiches and an ample supply of beverages will also be on hand, said Red Cross spokesman Pete Montague.

''We'll have plenty of Pampers, baby food, a complete array of things we understand that they may not be able to get,'' Montague said.

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#90255u1385 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Gold futures closed 150 to 160 points higher Wednesday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	380.50	....	....	382.10	380.50
Oct	382.10	385.00	381.50	383.50	382.00
Dec	387.00	389.70	385.80	388.10	386.60
Feb	392.00	393.30	391.60	392.40	390.90

Apr	397.00	397.00	396.00	396.40	394.90
Jun	400.10	400.80	400.10	400.70	399.20
Aug	405.00	406.00	402.60	404.70	403.20
Oct	407.70	....	....	409.20	407.70
Dec	412.50	....	....	413.70	412.20
Feb	417.10	....	....	418.60	417.10
Apr	421.80	....	....	423.30	421.80
Jun	426.80	....	....	428.30	426.80

Open interest: 118,627 up 225.
Estimated sales: 33,000 contracts.

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#90255u1395 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	381.00	off 4.25
Morning fixing	380.65	off 0.35
Afternoon fixing	382.05	up 1.05
Close	381.50	up 0.50
Paris	381.57	up 2.54
Zurich	382.00	up 1.50
Hong Kong	380.65	up 1.02
New York		
Comex spot close	382.10	up 1.60
Republic cash	383.00	up 1.50
Handy and Harman	382.05	up 3.55

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 383.35 up 3.56 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 402.52 up 3.74 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.801	up 0.024
Republic cash	4.83	up 0.02

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.81 per fine ounce up 0.035

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.82 up 0.04 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.157 up 0.042

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 458.00 up 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 558.00 up 0.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 106.00 unchanged

per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 121.00 unchanged.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90255u1432 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - On the eve of Senate hearings, the White House expressed optimism Wednesday that David Souter would be confirmed for the Supreme Court, while members of the Judiciary Committee differed over how intensely the New Hampshire jurist should be questioned about abortion.

One day before President Bush's choice to replace Justice William Brennan was to go before the 14-member Democrat-dominated panel, the president and his nominee met over a private lunch in Bush's study.

''We're very hopeful that the confirmation process will go well. There is no indication of any problem,'' said White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater.

Bush later praised Souter as ''a tough, a fair-minded, intellectually brilliant judge'' and called on the Senate to ''act swiftly so that he can take his place as the only career prosecutor on the court, in time for the court's first sitting'' next month.

Amid growing speculation about how far committee members will go in trying to pin Souter down on his abortion views, Fitzwater noted that while the lawmakers can ask Souter any questions they want, ''we do remind them that they were opposed to our use of any kind of a litmus test in terms of selection of a nominee and we assume they'll respect that same feeling as they examine the qualifications of the candidate.''

In fact, there were considerable differences among committee members concerning how far the panel should go in trying to determine Souter's judicial philosophy, especially regarding his views on whether he would vote to overturn the Roe vs. Wade decision that guaranteed abortion rights.

With the court a single vote away from reversing that 1973 decision, abortion is considered the main single issue that could derail Souter's confirmation hopes.

In the past several days, various abortion rights activists have demanded the Judiciary Committee intensely question the 50-year-old Souter about whether the Constitution protects rights that are not specifically mentioned, and whether a right to abortion is guaranteed.

Committee Chairman Joseph Biden, D-Del., stressed Tuesday that ''there is nothing wrong with putting to Judge Souter some specific questions about constitutional issues, including religion, speech, civil rights and abortion

and expect some rather specific answers.''

But some senators said they did not think it would be proper to push Souter for specific views on issues he would deciding as a member of the high court.

''I don't think you should ask questions about matters he could be facing, when he could be voting on reversing Roe vs. Wade,'' said Sen. Howell Heflin, D-Ala., considered a swing vote on the committee.

Instead, Heflin, a former chief justice of the Alabama Supreme Court, said he believed the questioning should center on Souter's broader judicial philosophy.

In a lengthy floor speech, Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, a key Republican on the committee, warned that continued efforts to question a nominee on his specific judicial views could undermine the independence of the judiciary.

''Judge Souter is not running for political office. Nor has the president nominated him to a policymaking position in the executive branch. He has been nominated for the highest court in a co-equal branch of the federal government '' said Hatch.

''While senators are free to ask a nominee any question they wish, a Supreme Court nominee should answer questions related only to his ethics, competence, legal ability, general view of the Supreme Court in our federal system and independence of mind,'' Hatch added.

''My fear is that if the Senate continues the trend begun in the 1950s, which seems to have accelerated since then, with both liberal and conservative senators pressing Supreme Court nominees beyond the bounds ... we could permanently undermine the independence of the judicial branch,'' added Hatch.

For his part, Souter - labled by some senators as the ''stealth'' nominee because of his lack of a voluminous record - kept a low profile the day before his hearings began.

At a photo opportunity with Souter in the Oval Office, Bush refused to take questions from reporters and patiently explained his policy to Souter, who said he also did not answer questions at such sessions.

''It helps a lot if you don't look over,'' Bush joked. Souter replied, ''My eyes are directly on you.''

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $31 to $38 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.55 cent to 2.25 cents a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.65 cent higher to 0.70 cent a pound lower for a 25,000- pound contract.

Cotton - 1.73 cent higher to 0.05 cent a pound lower for a 50,000- pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.50 to $1.60 an ounce higher for a 100-troy- ounce contract.

Platinum - $2.20 to $3.70 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.45 cent to 2.60 cents a pound lower for a 15,000- pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 2.3 to 2.4 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000- troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.028 to 0.033 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

NYSE Stocks - Slightly higher in sluggish trading.
Bonds - Mostly lower.
American Stocks - Slightly higher in thin trading.
London Stocks - Closed slightly lower in moderate trading.
Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.
Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.
Gold Futures - Slightly higher.
Cotton - Mostly higher.
Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 3/4 to 2 1/4, soybeans up 1 to 3, wheat off 1 to up 1/2 and oats unchanged to down 1 3/4 cent.
Cattle Trade - 50 cents to $1 lower; top $77.25.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 12) UPI - First it was the environmentalists, then the environment itself that refused to allow the ill-starred former Exxon Valdez to set sail Wednesday.

A quirky fog bank that kept the giant oil tanker penned up for a time finally

lifted to allow the ship to leave harbor at 11:45 a.m., escorted by a flotilla of Coast Guard and harbor police boats.

The ship, renamed the Exxon Mediterranean when repaired after causing the nation's worst oil spill, was already delayed about three hours by protesters from the environmental activist group Greenpeace.

Asked if the tanker might be jinxed, Harbor Police Chief Arthur LeBlanc said, ''Just coincidence. I don't think this is a bad-luck ship. I have no comment on the luck of the ship.''

The tanker was scheduled to sail at sunrise, en route to its new assignment in the Middle East.

But even before sunrise, Greenpeace protesters in inflatable boats surrounded the tanker, climbing her sides to unfurl a banner and chaining themselves to her rudder.

Harbor Police using bolt cutters freed two protesters who had chained themselves to the tanker's rudder some 20 feet above the surface of the water.

LeBlanc said nine people were arrested on a variety of misdemeanor charges ranging from trespassing to creating a disturbance.

Cynthia Rust of Seattle, one of the two people on the rudder, said after being cited and released, ''Our objective was to delay the vessel's departure for as long as possible. We were prepared to stay on it for days. As it turned out, we kept the boat in dock for several hours and we feel very proud of that.''

Greenpeace spokesman Bill Walker predicted the tanker will continue to be a target of worldwide environmental protest. ''Exxon can change the name and move it halfway around the world and it will still be a notorious symbol of oil destruction. I don't think people will ever let Exxon forget what they did to (Alaska's) Prince William Sound.''

Kelly Quirke, a Greenpeace spokesman who monitored the protest from a hotel across San Diego Bay, said the protesters, including one who fell and suffered an arm injury, hung a banner from the side of the ship that read ''Sane Energy: When?''

They also unsuccessfully attempted to hang another 20-by-40-foot banner reading ''From Alaska to Iraq, America is dying for oil,'' he said.

Protesters also floated an oil boom and a 20-foot inflatable globe about the ship, Quirke said.

''We wanted to blockade the Valdez to call attention to the fact it represents a battleship in the war on the environment,'' Quirke said. ''It has put us in

the precarious position of being on the brink of war in the Middle East.

''If George Bush wants to fight an oil war, he should fight the war against the root of oil addiction.''

Fred Hallett, vice president of the National Steel and Shipbuilding Co. that first built and then refitted the tanker, said divers inspected the underside of the ship after the protest to ensure nothing had been left behind to restrict its propeller. ''The ship checked out fine,'' he said.

The 987-foot tanker demonstrated its seaworthiness in 10 days of ocean trials that ended last week, executives with Exxon Shipping Co. and NASSCO said.

The Valdez ran aground in Prince William Sound March 24, 1989, disgorging 11 million gallons of crude oil and tearing up one-third of its hull.

The resulting spill coated hundreds of miles of pristine coastline with thick crude, killing thousands of birds and other wildlife. Numerous lawsuits filed against Exxon by Alaskan officials and others are still pending.

The crippled tanker was brought to San Diego four months after the spill to begin a $30 million, year-long repair job.

A special crew of 300 workers, working from the inside out, used nearly 3,000 tons of new steel to replace the ship's mangled hull.

Along with its new name, the ship was given a new coat of paint, a new skipper a new crew - and, finally, a new shipping route taking it away from the continent where it had wreaked havoc.

Exxon executives denied that the changes were aimed at improving the image of the ship - and of its owner.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.99

60 to 89 days 7.87

90 to 119 days 7.75

120 to 149 days 7.74

150 to 179 days 7.67

180 to 270 days 7.62

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.00 - 7.72

Issuers 30 days 7.99

Issuers 90 days 7.66

Issuers 270 days 7.42

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.04

60 to 89 days 7.99

90 to 119 days 7.97

120 to 149 days 8.00

150 to 179 days 8.00

180 days 8.00

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

1 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

3 month 8.00 - 8.125

6 month 8.00 - 8.125

Year 8.125 - 8.25

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.38 - 7.36

6 months 7.32 - 7.30

Year 7.24 - 7.22

Federal Funds: High 8, Low 7 15-16, Close 7 15-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7.840 off 0.024.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90255u1482 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (SEPT. 12) UPI - More than 30,000 people massed in central Belgrade Wednesday for an opposition rally which warned Serbia's ruling communists to organize democratic elections or face a boycott in the balloting for the assembly of Yugoslavia's largest republic.

At the end of the one-hour, anti-communist rally in Belgrade's Republic Square an opposition leader read a letter of ''last warning'' to Serbia's President Slobodan Milosevic.

The letter asked Milosevic, the 49-year-old communist who in July renamed his ruling organization the Serbian Socialist Party, to meet with the opposition to work out guidelines for ''decent and free elections'' to be supervised by all the parties, not just the communists.

If Milosevic fails to meet the demand within 10 days, the opposition parties will organize a boycott of the elections, the letter said.

The rally, which blocked traffic in downtown Belgrade for more than an hour, was the biggest ever held to demand an end to 45 years of communist rule of Serbia.

On June 13, an estimated 10,000 to 30,000 people attended a rally organized by the then-illegal opposition parties. Since then, the communist leadership has allowed the parties to become formally registered but has not fixed a date for Serbia's first multi-party elections in 45 years.

Police estimated the size of the rally at about 30,000 people while opposition organizers put the figure at 60,000.

The opposition also is demanding equal access to the state-controlled news media, including two hours broadcast time each evening on Belgrade television.

Kosta Cavoski, the executive president of the Serbian Democratic Party who read the letter, said Belgrade's major publishing house and radio and television stations are ''the public relations and advertisment agency'' for Milosevic and his communist government.

Cavoski said opposition members must be included in commissions monitoring the balloting and counting votes at the next elections.

Two of Yugoslavia's six republics, Croatia and Slovenia, held multi- party elections in the spring, the first democratic balloting since the communists took power in 1945.

Croatia and Slovenia now have non-communist governments and a weak left-wing opposition in their respective assemblies.

Serbia and the other republics in the loose Yugoslav federation are to hold free elections later this year or early in 1991.

Supporters of opposition parties arrived at Wednesday's rally in Belgrade from towns and villages all over Serbia. There were no reports of disturbances.

The event began with a rendition of the national anthem of the former Serbian Kingdom, played publicly for the first time in 45 years. Some in the crowd carried Yugoslav flags that lacked the traditional red star, the communist symbol.

Milan Komnenic, of the extreme nationalist Serbian Renewal Movement, told the rally Yugoslavia's 8.5 million Serbs ''have been squeezed between the Roman Catholic plot in the West and Islam in the East.''

The Rev. Zarko Gavrilovic, of the Saint Sava Party, said Serbia ''badly needs free elections to regain freedom'' it lost in 1918 when it helped creating Yugoslavia. ''Serbia needs the free elections to get rid of the communists and to install parliamentary democracy,'' Gavrilovic said.

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#90255u1503 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1099.2
Tuesday	1095.9

Week ago	1101.6
Month ago	1122.7
Year ago	1090.5
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90255u1508 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - Some U.S. warships in the Middle East are nuclear-capable and may be carrying tactical nuclear weapons, but military analysts rule out the liklihood they ever would be used against Iraq.

''There is nothing Saddam Hussein could do that would provoke the use of tactical nuclear weapons by the United States,'' said retired Adm. Eugene Carroll, an analyst at the Center for Defense Information.

''It is simply beyond the pale. It would be a political, military and economic disaster if we used tactical nukes. We would no longer be accepted among the community of nations ... we would certainly end whatever influence we now have in the Persian Gulf,'' Carroll said.

U.S. government policy is to neither confirm nor deny the presence of nuclear weapons aboard ships or in the field, or to publicly rule out the possibility of their use in a conflict.

''We hope and trust there are no nuclear weapons in the Persian Gulf,'' Carroll said.

The only nuclear-capable U.S. warship in the Persian Gulf, he said, is the battleship USS Wisconsin, which can fire either conventional or nuclear-tipped Tomahawk cruise missiles.

But, he added, he doubts the Pentagon has put nuclear weapons in the region because they would be put at risk while having ''no utility.'' A simple accident at sea - not necessarily detonation - could cause radioactive material to be scattered around the gulf, he said.

Other than the Wisconsin, U.S. aircraft carriers can carry nuclear weapons - bombs for attack aircraft and also depth charges, Carroll said.

The United States has three aircraft carriers in the region - the USS Independence in the Gulf of Oman, the USS Saratoga in the Red Sea and the USS John F. Kennedy in the eastern Mediterranean.

A Pentagon official who asked not to be identified said the use of nuclear weapons in populated areas of Kuwait or Iraq would be impractical, because the smallest nuclear shell, fired by Howitzers, would kill anything in an area

nearly one-half mile across.

Francis West, president of Gama Corp., a Falls Church, Va., consulting firm that conducts war games for the Defense Department and private industry, said U.S. conventional forces are strong enough to rule out the use of nuclear weapons.

''There is no military reason, no political reason to get into those kinds of things. ... We have a very strong conventional force,'' West said.

''I think over the course of the last 45 years, the United States and the Soviet Union have worked out a very, very cautious understanding of the uses and the deterrent theory of nuclear weapons.

''The whole question of precedent is such that there is absolutely no military reason - and plenty of political reasons - not to even consider such things,'' he said, noting tactical nuclear weapons were never used in Korea or Vietnam.

The same holds true for chemical weapons, he said.

West's military planners conducted a war game for ''a client'' a year ago in which an enemy force, using two or three scenarios, employed chemical weapons against U.S. troops in the Middle East.

''In each case, the conventional power of the United States to respond is so overwhelming ... we were unable to find a case where an aggressor did not end up saying, 'This is a loser for us and we're not going to do it.'

''The aggressor ends up worse off for having done it than in the first instance,'' West said. ''It's one thing for him (Saddam) to murder helpless Kurdish tribespeople; it's an entirely different case to attack American military forces.

''We were unable to to find a case in which an aggressor could militarily receive an advantage over U.S. forces by using chemical weapons, given what the U.S. responses could be at the conventional level (with airpower),'' he said.

Carroll said chemical weapons ''are never decisive in warfare'' and that Saddam would not be able to ''decide the final outcome of the military conflict, if it comes, with chemical weapons.''

He also said chemical weapons would be ''a nightmare logistically'' for U.S. forces to deploy, because of precautions the troops would have to undertake.

''It's my personal opinion, from a military point of view, that there is no reasonable possibility that we would resort to chemical weapons,'' Carroll said. ''Using them would be retaliating with terror against terror.''

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#90255u1515 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 12) UPI - The spiritual leader of Iran today dramatically undercut his nation's condemnation of the Iraqi annexation of Kuwait. He called on Moslems to fight a holy war to drive American forces from the Persian Gulf region.

The four victorious allies of World War Two and the two Germanys formally ended the conflict today. The foreign ministers of East and West Germany and the United States, Britain, France and the Soviet Union signed a treaty returning sovereignty to Germany for the first time since 1945.

NASA workers replaced a crushed seal in a fuel line valve on the shuttle Columbia, presumably fixing a hydrogen leak and putting the ship on track for launch next week. At Cape Canaveral, Florida, a NASA spokeswoman says the faulty seal most likely caused the leak that grounded Columbia last week.

Governor Bob Martinez of Florida is to visit the South Florida Water Management District headquarters in West Palm Beach to endorse a plan to clean up the Everglades. The plan was hammered out yesterday and could eliminate years of appeals and foot-dragging. It puts most of the burden of paying for the clean-up on Florida taxpayers.

Former Pakistani leader Benazir Bhutto faces more charges of power abuse after the government added two new charges today. If convicted of any of them, she could be barred from politics for up to seven years. The charges were filed on behalf of President Khan who ousted Bhutto last month, accusing her administration of corruption and nepotism.

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#90255u1521 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (SEPT. 12) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.66 3/4-2.68 off 1/2-1.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.28 1/4 up 2 1/2-2 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.39 1/4 off 1 3/4-2 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.39 1/4-2.47 1/4 off 1 3/4-2 1/4.

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#90255u1526 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 12) UPI - Police say a four-year-old girl was killed by Albanian border guards firing into a group of 19 Albanians who fled in motorboats to Yugoslavia. Officials say the refugees were trying to make their way across a lake into Yugoslav territory when their escape attempt was discovered. In the past three months, thousands of Albanians have fled the Stalinist state.

Philippines President Aquino moved toward resuming peace talks with communist rebels by suspending military operations in quake-ravaged areas. But the rebels used their underground publication to denounce Aquino's move. They argue Aquino should address ''basic issues of land reform, massive poverty and mounting repression.''

Hurricane Isidore's 80-mile-an-hour winds churned in the Atlantic Ocean today, but forecasters say it poses NO threat to land. At last report, Isidore was located about 11-hundred-60 miles west southwest of the westernmost Azores Islands. Forecasters expect the storm to undergo little change in strength for the next 24 hours.

Police say they have solved the mystery of an eight-millimeter movie camera and the supposed portrayal of a killing it contained. Authorities say they determined that the film was shot in Chicago and subsequently learned that it was a music video depicting the death of the lead singer of the Cleveland band ''Nine Inch Nails.''

The price of housing in rich and glitzy Aspen, Colorado, has gone so high- more than one-Million dollars for the average home- that the city's housing director was forced to quit. Jim Adamski says he could NOT afford to buy what he termed ''a real home'' in Aspen.

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#90255u1553 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2625.74	up	13.12
20 Trans	908.65	off	0.93
15 Utils	201.71	up	1.45
65 Stocks	912.41	up	3.46

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#90255u1560 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2625.74	up	13.12	908.65	off	0.93	201.71	up	1.45
Tuesday	2612.62	off	2.97	909.58	up	1.48	200.26	off	0.19
Week ago	2628.22	up	14.85	897.74	up	1.66	198.44	up	2.39
Month ago	2748.27	up	0.50	961.68	off	6.02	205.17	up	0.69
Year ago	2679.52	off	27.74	1469.24	off	7.82	214.10	off	1.82
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90255u1563 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.49	off 0.02
10 Public Utils	90.53	off 0.06
10 Industrials	88.46	up 0.02

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#90255u1570 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

STRASBOURG, FRANCE (SEPT. 12) UPI - The European Parliament voted Wednesday to convene an extraordinary meeting of the Council of Europe to prepare a Common Market ''plan of action'' to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis peacefully, officials said.

The vote by 305 to 37 with 49 abstentions at the Strasbourg assembly of the European Community also called for the rapid organization of a ''conference on security in the Mediterranean and the Gulf region.''

The resolution adopted stated that ''Euro-Arab dialogue could contribute, after the re-establishment of the independence of Kuwait, to an equitable resolving of the Middle East problems in general and the Gulf in particular.''

This conference would work toward ''the restoration of full sovereignty and territorial integrity for Lebanon, and recognition of legitimate rights of the Palestinian people and of the state of Israel, in keeping with the resolutions of the United Nations.''

The resolution praised U.S. and European efforts ''aimed at stopping Iraqi aggression'' and asked that an emergency meeting of the Council of Europe be held to try and work for a peaceful solution of the face-off. It called for full implementation of the embargo on Iraq except for food and medicines

essential ''for the survival'' of the Iraqi population.

The vote followed a debate in which Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, calling for closer ties between Europe and the Arab world, told the European Parliament Wednesday the Gulf crisis made political unification on the Old Continent more necessary than ever.

''The crisis risks being long, sacrifices will impose themselves. This will be the price to pay for re-establishing international legality,'' the Christian Democrat Andreotti said in a keynote address in his role as rotating president of the European Community.

Andreotti said it was ''totally understandable that the United States intervened first in reply to the appeals by Saudi Arabia.''

Members of the European Parliament applauded when former French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing said ''only the firmness and the speed of the United States have avoided the costly reconquest of Saudi Arabia.''

There was considerable unity among European Deputies during the debate though French right-wing extremist Jean-Marie Le Pen charged that ''the U.S. intervention has aggravated the crisis when it is only inter- Arab.''

Le Pen accused Washington of playing a role ''of firemen disguised as pyromaniac.'' The former paratrooper also lashed out at what he termed ''the U.N. dictat,'' which he said tends ''to regiment nations.''

Discordant notes also were sounded by the Greens and the hardline French Communists.

European Commission chief Jacques Delors said nothing would be the same in the Middle East after the crisis.

''Israel must take note of this and also all the parties implicated in Lebanon.''

Andreotti expressed satisfaction with the European response. ''The European Community has reacted with rapidity and in a concrete fashion.''

''Europe must be the pivot for any negotiated solution,'' the veteran ''e
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Evoking ties between Europe and the Arab World, Andreotti said ''we will not permit that they be thrown into question. The crisis on the contrary must allow us to reinforce them.''

The gulf stand-off made European political unity all the more urgent, he said, adding that ''it is a historic necessity that must be seized.''

Andreotti called on the Iraqis ''to go into reverse'' and urged strict adhesion to the embargo against Baghdad. ''Maintaining the embargo remains the only alternative to the conflict.''

Delors urged European parliamentarians to reflect on what is ''beyond the crisis.''

Delors said that it was lamentable that countries in the Gulf region devote 40 percent of their oil revenues to purchasing arms but only 25 percent to their economic development.

''Is it not time to think of a new way of organizing the petroleum market?'' the French head of the European Commission asked.

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#90255u1579 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - For the first time ever, the Army is calling up about 450 retired Army personnel and reservists for duty in support of Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia, it was announced Wednesday.

These retirees are in addition to the previously announced plan by the Pentagon to call up nearly 50,000 military reservists and National Guard members through Sept. 30.

It is the first time the Army has called up retired personnel since the Retiree Recall Program was developed in 1981, the Army said.

''Retirees are needed to fill critical requirements as doctors, nurses, linguists, aviators and water-purification specialists,'' the Army said. ''Of the number recalled, approximately 250 will perform medical-related duties and 150 will provide family support services.''

No more than 50 of these people are expected to be sent to the Middle East, an Army spokeswoman said, and the vast majority will remain on duty in the continental United States.

She said ''family support services'' would involve helping family members of deployed reservists understand their new military benefits and to provide enrollment in medical and insurance programs.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	177.09	up	0.70
ASE Market Value Index	323.19	up	0.18

Dow-Jones Industrial 2625.74 up 13.12

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 323.55, low 322.06, close 323.19, up 0.18.

There was a gain of 1 cents in the average share price.

Volume 9,260,000 shares, compared with 9,120,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	3
New Lows	32
Advances	249
Declines	264
Unchanged	256
Total Issues	769

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Indexes - close.

Composite	177.09	up 0.70
Industrial	222.16	up 0.96
Transport	139.96	off 0.50
Utility	83.22	up 0.43
Finance	123.43	up 0.09

Equivalent to a gain of 12 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 129,890,000 shares.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - United Press International Tuesday announced an agreement with the Tandy Corporation allowing clients who purchase UPI's newsroom computer software - UPI-BASYS PC NewsDesk - to buy Tandy 2500 XL computers at discounted prices with the software installed.

''Broadcasters making the transition to the computerized newsroom are the big winners in UPI's support agreement with Tandy Corporation's Radio Shack stores and service centers,'' said Richard Cohen, UPI senior vice president for marketing.

''The UPI/BASYS PC NewsDesk represents UPI's response to broadcast news directors' growing need to manage the ever-expanding flow of news and information,'' Cohen said.

In March, UPI announced an agreement with BASYS Inc., to provide multi-user, multi-newswire capabilities in newsroom computer software that would allow users to eliminate broadcasters' reliance on printer ribbons and paper.

The new service is meant to enhance that option by providing PC NewsDesk already installed and backed by the Radio Shack service network, Cohen said.

Tandy has more than 7,000 retail outlets and service centers.

UPI multi-user customers who purchase the Tandy 2500 XL will receive PC NewsDesk training and software services from UPI staff, Cohen said.

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#90255u1602 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 9,260,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,466,420,895
Bonds - $2,360,000
1990 to date - $503,286,000

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#90255u1605 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 129,890,000 shares
1990 to date - 27,876,383,372
Warrants - 682,300
1990 to date - 176,303,600

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#90255u1612 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Wednesday - $32,210,000
1990 to date - $7,877,899,000

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#90255u1617 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	$55,784,420	32 3/4	up 3/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	55,685,264	57 3/8	up 1 7/8
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	41,720,808	73	up 2
Amgen	(AMGN)	38,521,028	48	up 1 7/8
Ohio Casualty	(OCAS)	34,283,656	39 1/2	off 1/2
Autodesk Inc	(ACAD)	30,501,988	46 1/2	off 1/2
Apple Computer	(AAPL)	28,477,512	34	unch
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	23,435,108	33 7/8	off 1/4
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	22,185,114	28 3/8	off 3/8
Conner Perphrls	(CNNR)	21,520,040	22 1/4	off 1/4

Composite Index 166.57 up 0.36

NMS volume 76,061,800 shares.

Advances	700
Declines	676
Unchanged	1,441
Total	2,817

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 12) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Wednesday - 7,449,000

1990 to date - 1,779,199,000

The market closed slightly higher.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
30 Indus	2621.53	2639.11	2592.33	2625.74	up	13.12
20 Trans	910.69	918.27	898.11	908.65	off	0.93
15 Utils	200.83	202.40	199.51	201.71	up	1.45
65 Stock	911.44	918.11	901.35	912.41	up	3.46

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	14,544,400	12,718,400
Trans	3,945,400	2,422,200
Utils	2,655,300	2,157,700
65 Stock	21,145,100	17,298,300

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.49	off 0.02
10 Public Utils	90.53	off 0.06
10 Industrials	88.46	up 0.02

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 133.25 off 0.14.

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CANBERRA, Australia (SEPT. 12) UPI - Environmental demonstrators chained themselves to a wall of the Japanese Embassy Wednesday to protest continued driftnet fishing in the South Pacific by Japanese trawlers.

Police moved in and arrested 13 protestors who later appeared in the Australian Capital Territory Court charged with offensive behaviour and were remanded to appear in court in October, police said.

The protestors, organized by members of the Greenpeace Foundation, also draped fishing nets around the embassy building. Six of the protestors had to be cut free of their chains, police said.

Greenpeace coordinator Mollie Olsen requested a meeting with Japanese Ambassador Hiromu Fukada, who declined to receive the demonstrators.

''We wanted to ask the ambassador when Japan planned to pull out of driftnet fishing internationally,'' Olsen said.

Environmentalists say drift nets are ecologically devastating because the nylon mesh - almost invisible in the water - stretches out over miles of ocean catching virtually all animal life passing by. The United Nations has called for the elimination of drift nets within the next few years, but not all fishing nations have agreed to abide by that decision.

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#90255u1633 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 173 points higher to 5 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	72.30	74.17	72.00	73.90	72.17
Dec	71.80	72.60	71.62	72.54	71.84
Mar	73.15	73.95	72.95	73.77	73.20
May	73.80	74.55	73.75	74.55	73.94
Jly	74.10	74.70	74.00	74.60	74.13

Oct	69.75	69.75	69.75	69.88	69.65
Dec	68.00	68.00	68.00	68.00	68.05

Estimated sales: 4,800 contracts
Open interest: 34,349 off 500
The World spot average: 70.79

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#90255u1636 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

AMMAN, Jordan (SEPT. 12) UPI - A conference of political and union activists from around the Arab world opposed to the U.S.-led military intervention in the Persian Gulf opens Saturday under the patronage of Jordan's King Hussein.

Jordanians have publicly expressed support for Iraq and its leader Saddam Hussein following the U.S.-led military intervention in the region and the U.N.-imposed sanctions against Iraq.

The Jordanian monarch, however, has tried to maintain a balance by complying with the sanctions and by refusing to accept Iraq's aggression and annexation of Kuwait.

One political analyst described the king's patronage of the conference as a message to the West, particularly the U.S. leadership that ''democratically-elected personalities condemn Western intervention although their unelected leaders at the Arab League summit invited the West to come in.''

President Bush has repeatedly stated that he had the support of the Arab League to ''defend Saudi Arabia and the Gulf from Iraqi aggression, '' while Saddam Hussein throughout the crisis has been calling for the Arab and Moslem masses to rise up against their pro-Western leaders.

Organizers said the three-day conference is expected to discuss and find popular methods to confront the Western forces in the gulf and the Israeli occupation of Arab lands.

According to a spokesman from the Arab Nationalist Democratic Coalition, the organizers of the conference, the meeting will be attended by more than one hundred political and union activists from the Arab World.

The spokesman Mamdouh Abbadi also includes opposition party and union leaders from countries who have supported the U.S.-led military intervention in the region such as Syria, Egypt and Morocco.

Whether King Hussein would actually attend the opening of the conference was not clear, but analysts said the fact that he accepted the patronage of such a conference indicates the narrowing of the gap between the leadership of the

small kingdom and its political activists.

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#90255u1638 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Wednesday	381.96	229.94	129.87	23.64	322.54
Tuesday	380.23	230.31	128.65	23.64	321.04
Week ago	384.35	231.27	129.20	24.05	324.39
Month ago	401.38	244.61	136.71	25.82	340.06
Year ago	395.38	315.89	139.28	32.98	345.46
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	362.23	220.36	124.60	22.87	307.06

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#90255u1643 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg
400 Ind	382.10	378.48	381.96	up	1.73
20 Trans	230.87	227.94	229.94	off	1.07
40 Utils	129.87	128.52	129.87	up	1.22
40 Fncl	23.72	23.43	23.64	unch	
500 Stocks	322.55	319.60	322.54	up	1.50

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#90255u1645 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	323.19	up	0.18
High Technology	323.24	up	0.68
Capital Goods	346.94	up	0.22
Consumer Goods	388.87	off	1.22
Service	727.59	up	4.98
Retail	1021.58	up	4.44
Financial	373.00	off	2.54
Natural Resources	246.16	off	0.21
Housing-Const-Land	341.51	up	4.92

There was a gain of 1 cent in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	413.92	up	2.66
Mid Atlantic	416.86	off	0.22

No Central	440.03	off 2.09
So Atlantic	933.51	up 2.57
So Central	314.49	up 0.13
Mountain	115.06	up 1.45
Pacific	378.84	up 0.60
Foreign	241.75	off 0.07

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#90255u1665 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Alcan Aluminum	3,482,700	22 1/8	up	1/2
Coroon & Black	3,033,800	37 1/2	up	6 5/8
Tandem Computer	1,941,400	11 5/8	up	1/8
Brown Ferris	1,920,200	33	off	1 1/2
Sn Fe So Pac	1,878,000	14 7/8	off	1/2
Gulf St Utils	1,705,800	10 1/8	off	1 3/8
AT&T Company	1,525,000	30 5/8	off	1/2
PepsiCo Inc	1,434,600	25 1/2	up	3/8
Wal-Mart Strs	1,411,600	26 1/2	off	1/4
Toys 'R Us	1,343,100	22 3/4	off	3/4
Exxon Corp	1,297,300	51 3/8	up	1/2
MNC Fncl	1,265,700	7 7/8	up	3/8
Waste Mangmnt	1,258,200	35 1/2	off	3/4
Prime Motor	1,214,000	2 1/8	off	1/2
Texas Instrum	1,205,800	28 1/2	off	5/8

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#90255u1675 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Hillhaven	452,700	1 5/8	up	1/8
Rhone Loulenc	429,500	10 3/8	up	1/2
Salomon wt Jan	352,800	15 7/8	off	7/8
ENSCO	305,200	3 5/8	unch	
Denmark K wt	303,400	17	off	3/4
BAT Indus	287,300	10 5-16	up	1-16
Salomon wt Feb	246,800	16 7/8	off	3/4
Fruit of Loom	230,100	10 1/2	off	1/4
Paine W Gr wtB	229,400	7 5/8	off	1/4
Americus t2 sc	197,300	6 1/4	off	3/8

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#90255u1677 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - American Airlines Chairman Robert Crandall warned Wednesday of tough times ahead for the U.S. airline industry in view of rising costs and fierce competition over fares.

''The eye of the storm - the fundamental problem facing all the world's airlines - is how to provide the service, safety, comfort and convenience the public clearly wants - while simultaneously keeping costs low enough to make enough money to justify making the huge investments our business requires,'' Crandall said in a speech to members of the industry.

American is among the most profitable airlines, reporting last year revenues of $10.5 billion - a 22 percent increase over 1988 - and hefty profits of $454.8 million, moving ahead of UAL Corp.'s United Airlines as the No. 1 U.S. carrier.

American also is the largest airline in the world in terms of revenues, ahead of United, Japan Air Lines, Delta Air Lines and British Airways.

Crandall, also chairman of the carrier's parent AMR Corp., cited the Iraqi conflict, soaring fuel oil prices and a weaker U.S. economy as short-term factors expected to negatively affect the airline industry.

''The real bad news is not that the short-term looks discouraging but that it is getting harder to be optimistic about the long term,'' Crandall said.

He listed the high capital of new aircraft, the deterioration of air transportation facilities, mounting environmental concerns and increasing labor costs among the long-term factors negatively affecting airlines.

''New airplanes are extraordinarily expensive,'' Crandall said. ''The industry's capital spending requirements in the decade ahead will be stupendous.''

He also pointed out that the ''industry's infrastructure is both undersized and wearing out,'' requiring major fresh investments from the airlines, mainly as U.S. cities are increasingly reluctant to fund airport construction andexpansion projects.

Crandall also lashed out at the federal government.

''The unwillingness of the government to spend enough on aviation's infrastructure is reflected in today's acute shortage of airspace and airport capacity,'' he said.

''The cost of delay is currently estimated at between $4 and $5 billion a year

- and things will get worse since the Federal Aviation Administration figures that by 1997, 89 of the nation's top 100 airports will have annual delays of more than 20,000 hours.''

Crandall described Washington's policy toward the industry as a long- term threat to airlines and the entire U.S. economy.

Crandall warned that a return to tighter regulation of the industry would only spell higher fares and criticized Washington for enforcing restrictions that he said prevent U.S. airlines from effectively competing on the international scene.

''Another troubling factor - perhaps the most troubling of all - is labor-cost pressure,'' he said. ''Now the industry is rife with agreements which move away from - or abandon - the market-rate approaches which helped hold costs in check.''

He advocated tough negotiations with labor unions, increased pressure at government levels and a better process for informing the public in order to prevent a deterioration of the industry.

Crandall, who appears on the Sept. 24 issue of Fortune magazine, has targeted overseas markets to ensure the growth of the No. 1 U.S. airline. According to Fortune, he has committed an $11 billion budget to expand its foreign routes over the next five years.

The plan is particularly ambitious for the airline, whose profits shrank this year with second-quarter earnings down 27 percent to $129 million.

Crandall also briefed New York-based airline industry analysts on American's strategy, as investors have expressed concerns over a sharp decline in the price of AMR stock, currently trading in the $44 range, down from a high of $107.25 a share last fall.

American, which said it generates about 30 percent of its revenues from international routes, including new routes to 15 Latin American countries, has based its foreign strategy on forecasts that Asian and European markets will grow at a faster rate than the domestic market.

Crandall's main achievement so far is the Sabre airline and hotel reservation network, the world's largest, operated by seven IBM mainframes. Sabre, which provides information and booking for more than 650 airlines, 20,000 hotels and 50 rental-car companies around the world, contributes a substantial share of the airline's revenues.

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#90255u1687 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 12) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6300	up 40
Coroon & Black	37 1/2	up 6 5/8
CapCiti/ABC	485	up 5
Pitney pf	147	off 4 3/8
GSU pfD	50 1/2	off 3 3/4
GSU pfK	95	off 3 3/4
PSEG pf	87	up 3 5/8
Atl Rch pfC	328 5/8	up 3 3/8
Phila El pf	95 1/2	off 3 1/4
GSU pfN	34 1/4	off 3 1/4
GSU pfM	37	off 2 5/8

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#90255u1692 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Average yields for money market mutual funds were mixed in the latest reporting week, while rates at competing savings and loan institutions also were mixed, financial information services that track these yields and rates said Wednesday.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were unchanged at 7.47 percent, and 30-day simple yields fell to 7.48 percent from 7.49 the previous week.

The average maturity of fund portfolios was 47 days, up from 46.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money market deposit accounts, 5.89 percent, unchanged; Super-Now accounts, 4.97 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.49 percent, down from 7.51 percent; 1-year CDs, 7.59 percent, down from 7.61; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.68 percent, up from 7.67; and five-year CDs, 7.80 percent, up from 7.79.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.26 percent, down from 8.28 percent.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.71 percent from 9.77, while the average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage also dropped, to 10.02 percent from 10.08.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was 12.23 percent, down from 12.26 percent.

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#90255u1700 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	25.85-25.90	26.45-26.55
North Sea Brent	30.92-30.97	30.25-30.35
West Texas Intermed	30.95-31.00	30.75-30.80
Light Louisiana Sweet	32.60-32.70	32.30-32.40
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	102.85-103.35	103.10-103.60
No. 2 Heating oil	80.85-81.10	81.25-81.50
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	94.60-95.10	95.10-95.35
No. 2 Heating oil	79.70-79.80	80.20-80.30

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	2
New lows	32

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	249	3,486,200
Declines	264	4,044,000
Unchanged	256	1,729,800
Total	769	9,260,000

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago

New highs	10	8	12
New lows	90	94	64

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	756	66,157,500
Declines	640	46,130,400
Unchanged	545	17,602,100
Total	1,941	129,890,000

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#90255u1749 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - The dollar was mostly higher Wednesday in New York trading, except against the Japanese yen, but analysts said its rise was only temporary and reflected positioning by players awaiting fresh cues.

Currency trading was dominated by the yen's continued rise after the recent hike in Japan's official discount interest rate, analysts said. Against the Japanese currency the dollar lost nearly two yen.

But against European currencies the dollar, a frequent intermediary in deals in other units, rose on the yen updraft. Players also bought dollars to take a profit after heavy selling in Asian and European markets.

Analysts predicted, though, that the dollar would skid as soon as the Federal Reserve steered short-term interest rates lower - which it is seen as obliged to do in light of the country's worsening economic plight.

Late in the New York session, the dollar traded at 1.5915 German marks, ahead from 1.5850 marks Tuesday, and 138.05 Japanese yen, off from 140.25.

''The only thing that is keeping this dollar at current levels is the (Gulf) situation overseas,'' said Carl Amendola, assistant vice president of the Bayerische Hypotheken-und Wechsel Bank.

Amendola said the dollar would probably hold in its present range until there is a Fed easing move or fresh news in the standoff between the United States and Iraq over the latter's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3285 Swiss francs, up from 1.3210; 5.3295 French francs, up from 5.3100; and 1,187 Italian lire, up from 1, 182.

The British pound eased to $1.8585 from $1.8565.

In Europe, the dollar eased slightly as dealers bought Japanese yen on fresh expectations of a decline in U.S. interest rates, stirred by President Bush's statement of determination to cut a budget deficit deal.

''It's a significant bull run for the yen which should continue in the short term,'' said analyst Geoffrey Dennis of James Capel Co.

In London, the pound closed higher against the dollar at $1.8670 compared with Tuesday's close of $1.8505.

The dollar fell in Frankfurt to 1.5840 German marks from 1.5925. It also fell in Zurich, to 1.3190 Swiss francs from 1.3305.

The dollar dropped slightly in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to 5.3065 French francs vs. 5.3420, 32.59 Belgian francs vs. 32.74, and 1,182.90 Italian lire vs. 1,188.25.

In Tokyo, the U.S. dollar dropped to a new 13-month low. Dealers said it was sold off on expectations of lower U.S. interest rates. It ended at 138.30 yen, down 1.55 yen from Tuesday's close of 139.85 yen.

Dealers said President Bush's remarks indicating his determination to cut the U.S. budget deficit fed speculation of a Fed rate cut.

''Almost everyone went to buy the yen and sell the dollar,'' said Fuji Bank dealer Eshin Narayama.

Gold closed higher in London at $381.50 an ounce vs. $381. It also was higher in Zurich, at $381.50 an ounce compared with $380.50.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $383 an ounce, up from $381.50 Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $382.10 an ounce, up from $380.50.

Silver closed unchanged in London at $4.80 an ounce vs. $4.82. But it moved up in Zurich, to $4.85 an ounce vs. $4.80.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.83 an ounce, up from $4.81. Comex silver ended at $4.801 an ounce, ahead from $4.777.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.02	8.08	8.89
91-day Treasury bills	7.62	7.64	7.54
182-day Treasury bills	7.69	7.73	7.61
1-year Treasury bills	7.75	7.77	7.54
3-year Treasury notes	8.19	8.20	8.14
7-year Treasury notes	8.70	8.69	8.19

30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.95	8.93	8.14
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.30	9.30	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.97	9.95	9.14
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.18	9.18	9.10
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.46	9.46	9.12
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.47	9.49	9.32
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.45	9.47	9.29

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	381.19	378.18	380.32	up 0.83
Industrial	407.09	404.02	406.45	up 1.66
Finance	380.68	378.46	379.33	off 0.91
Insurance	445.10	439.90	442.46	off 2.30
Utility	513.31	507.68	513.31	up 2.12
Bank	282.95	279.63	280.57	off 1.62
Transport	419.32	414.21	417.38	up 0.42

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-23) 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	166.57 up 0.36
Industrial Index	160.55 up 0.66
NASDAQ-100 Index	384.71 up 2.78
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.69 up 0.01
Volume	76,061,800 shares
Advances	700
Declines	676
Unchanged	1,441
Total	2,817

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#90255u1755 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - Postmaster General Anthony Frank announced on Capitol Hill Wednesday that troops serving in Operation Desert Shield will be permitted to mail letters home postage free.

Frank, who made his announcment at a subcommittee on postal operations, acted in response to legislation rapidly making its way through Congress that ordered up free mailing privileges for the forces in and around Saudi Arabia.

Many of the troops have complained to visiting congressmen about the lack of stamps and the fact that what stamps are available become stuck together in the heat and humidity of the Saudi desert.

The free mail is a privilege available to U.S. troops in combat areas as far back as World War I.

Rep. William Ford, D-Mich., chairman of the Post Office and Civil Service Committee, said in a statement that ''getting mail from home - and being able to write home - provides purpose and motivation for the men and women in our armed forces.''

He noted the complaints of the soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen about mail and added that providing free mail will ''make their load a little lighter.''

Frank said the free mail will apply only to letters or audio tapes sent to the United States. No parcels can be accepted under the free mailing privileges.

All a serviceman or woman need do is sign their name in the upper right hand corner of the envelope where a stamp would ordinarily go, and put their rank and serial number in the upper left hand corner where the return address goes.

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#90255u1767 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	98,467,600
Advances	890
Declines	809
Unchanged	2,560
Total	4,259

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#90255u1772 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
BEIRUT, Lebanon (SEPT. 12) UPI - Renegade Christian military leader Gen.

Michel Aoun declared Wednesday he would not surrender power to President Elias Hrawi and called on the disintegrated nation to revolt against the pro-Syrian leadership.

Aoun, who held a news conference at the presidential palace in the suburban region of Baabda, said he continued to consider himself the legitimate leader of the country.

''The people has no confidence in that government (of Hrawi) because it was not elected by the people,'' Aoun said, adding, ''we are the guards of the legitimacy and (the presidential palace of) Baabda.''

The Christian Maronite general said he anticipated no imminent flare- up of military confrontations with the predominantly-Moslem Syrian- backed camp.

''There will be no wars as of today, and the situation in the region tends to be calm,'' said Aoun, responding to reports by pro-Syrian sources that a big battle would break out soon to oust him.

Aoun, who commands a 15,000-strong army, has refused to relinquish powers to Hrawi, also a Christian Maronite, or leave the presidential palace in Baabda, 5 miles southeast of Beirut.

The general blamed pro-Syrian leaders for the worsening economic situation, branding the cabinet ministers as ''thieves.''

Lebanon's economy this year has dramatically deteriorated as a result of a spiraling inflation, the crumbling of the value of the Lebanese pound and the lack of law-and-order.

The U.S. dollar has been valued at more than 1,100 pounds, hiking the prices of all essential products and foodstuffs.

''For how long will the people remain silent regarding their (ministers') robberies?'' said Aoun, alluding to the pro-Syrian leadership. ''The people should revolt against the Taif band.''

Hrawi and the cabinet of Sunni Moslem Prime Minister Selim Hoss were elected as a result of a peace accord that was worked out by the Lebanese parliament in Taif, Saudi Arabia, last October.

Aoun has rebuffed the agreement for failing to ensure a speedy withdrawal of Syria's 35,000 troops from the country.

Sources close to Hrawi have reported a planned military thrust into the Christian enclave by the 20,000-man army of pro-Syrian army commander Gen. Emile Lahoud.

But independent analysts have noted that Syria appeared to oppose a big operation against Aoun while it was involved in the Gulf crisis.

Syria, along with Egypt, was reportedly intending to jointly deploy a 50,000-strong force in Saudi Arabia to back up an international force entrusted with foiling a possible Iraqi attack against the kingdom.

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#90255u1784 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - Farmers will harvest a huge corn crop of 8.12 billion bushels - the fifth-largest crop ever - the government said Wednesday, while slightly lowering its soybean forecast due to drought in the Southeast.

The corn estimate called for a record 121.7 bushels an acre, 5.5 more than last year. The corn estimate was boosted by 3 percent from a month ago due to hot August weather that accelerated crop maturity.

The September crop report also called for a wheat harvest of 2.76 billion bushels, up 2 percent from August and 35 percent larger than 1989. It would be the third-largest wheat crop on record, including a record 580.6 million bushels of spring wheat.

Soybean output was pegged at 1.83 billion bushels, down 2 million bushels from the August estimate. Lower yields are projected in the Delta and Gulf Coast regions ''as hot and, especially, dry conditions prevailed during August,'' the department said.

Hot and dry weather has wilted crops from the Carolinas to Texas, but has made little impact on U.S. production due to good conditions in the rest of the country and an increase in the amount of land under cultivation this year. Overall, grain production was forecast to rise 10 percent this year.

The Southeast is the only region where significant amounts of the corn, soybean and cotton crops are reported in very poor condition.

By coincidence, the crop report was released on the same day the House Agriculture Committee looked into crop losses due to bad weather. The National Cotton Council asked for a new version of the disaster relief laws that paid $5.5 billion to farmers for losses in 1988 and 1989.

Cotton output is pegged at 14.7 million bales, down 1 percent from August but 21 percent larger than last year, due mainly to a 20 percent increase in acreage. Yields, forecast for 616 pounds an acre, would be 2 pounds higher than 1989.

The department said cotton output in the Southeast was likely to be 17 percent lower than thought in August. Georgia's yields were forecast to drop 181

pounds an acre from last year's 631 pounds.

Corn, wheat and soybeans are the three major field crops grown in the United States and are the basis for most of the food consumed by Americans.

Wheat is used in bread, pastries and bakery products, as well as being a livestock food. Corn and soybeans are used in meat and dairy production, besides having food uses of their own.

The corn crop would be the largest since 1986. The record is 8.87 billon bushels in 1985. The September estimate called for a crop 8 percent larger than the 7.5 billion bushels reaped last year.

The government raised its estimate of yields to 135 bushels an acre in Iowa, up seven from last month and 134 in Illinois, up six.

A wet spring and cool summer has delayed crop maturity in the central states, prompting concern about corn and soybean losses if there is an early frost. Norton Strommen, the department's chief meteorologist, said the ''highly favorable'' 30-day forecast calls for warm, dry weather to spur crop maturity in the Midwest and rain to help Southern crops.

''This outlook would limit further deterioration of crop yield potential for all summer row crops in the South,'' Strommen said. ''The final yields across the Corn Belt will depend on warm September temperatures while yield potential across the Southern states can still benefit from late-season rain.''

Iowa was forecast to again lead the nation in corn production with 1.66 billion bushels. Illinois was projected, for the second year in a row, to be No. 1 in soybeans, with 345 million bushels.

Kansas is displacing North Dakota as the top wheat state, with a record 472 million bushels.

The fall harvest season is just getting under way, so there may be revisions in the government estimates for many crops, which are based on Sept. 1 conditions. The wheat harvest, however, is nearly complete.

The abundant crops may have little direct impact on food prices because of the amount of time needed to process them and the relatively small role crop prices play in food costs. Food prices rose an unusually sharp 5.8 percent last year. An increase of 5 percent to 7 percent is expected this year.

Market prices for wheat have slumped in the face of huge crops worldwide. The government estimated farmers would be paid about $1 a bushel less for this year's crop than the $3.72 a bushel average for last year's crop.

Corn and soybean prices were projected to hold steady or rise slightly.

The wheat harvest was projected to include 2.05 billion bushels of winter wheat, 120.5 million bushels of durum wheat and 580.6 million bushels of spring wheat. The durum forecast was up 12 percent from August and the spring wheat estimate up 7 percent due to improved prospects in Minnesota and the Dakotas.

The wheat crop was projected to tie the 1983 record of 39.4 bushels an acre.

Sorghum production was estimated at 572 million bushels, up 5 percent from August but 7 percent less than last year.

Oat production was pegged at 365 million bushels, 2 percent less than 1989. Barley output was forecast for 409 million bushels, up 1 percent from 1989.

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CARMEL, CA (SEPT. 12) UPI - Oak Tree Savings Bank, the New Orleans savings and loan subsidiary of Landmark Land Co. Inc., has been placed under federal supervision for failing to meet capital requirements, Landmark said Wednesday.

Oak Tree Savings signed a supervisory agreement with the Office of Thrift Supervision that restricts its ability to make loans, enter into material transactions or pay dividends, Landmark said.

Landmark, of Carmel, Calif., has been unable to find buyers for Oak Tree's estimated $1.1 billion in real estate holdings, which must be sold under the savings and loan guidelines passed by Congress last year.

Landmark said it was reviewing several bids for the properties, which include such major golf and resort holdings as the PGA West, Mission Hills and La Quinta resorts in the Palm Spings, Calif., area. The properties also include several large tracts of undeveloped residential land in Southern California and resorts in Carmel, Calif., West Palm Beach, Fla., and Kiawah Island, South Carolina.

Landmark reached an agreement in April to sell most of the properties to Southern California developer Barry Hon for $967 million, but the deal collapsed after federal regulators objected to the terms, which would have required Landmark to finance more than 75 percent of the price.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 12) UPI - U.S. political asylum has been granted to a former high-ranking Peruvian prosecutor who disclosed evidence of Peruvian military involvement in human rights abuses including the 1988 massacre of 28

peasants.

Carlos Escobar, appointed to investigate charges of guerrilla culpability for the killing of peasants in the Andean region of Ayacucho, became the target of assassination attempts after he accused the military of involvement in the deaths.

The U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service granted Escobar political asylum last week based on his fear of persecution in Peru, Escobar's attorney Marc Van Der Hout said Wednesday.

Escobar's 1988 probe uncovered 572 human rights violations involving disappearances.

He also allegedly found evidence that a general overseeing Ayacucho, one of the nation's poorest regions, was behind a May 1988 massacre in which 28 peasants from the village of Cayara were hacked to death as they returned from the fields. Another 41 villagers were missing.

He also charged that nine of his witnesses to the attack were killed or missing.

Escobar went on Peruvian television to denounce the killing of witnesses and place responsibility on the general. After that, death threats against him increased.

Escobar, who has been living in Pleasant Hill, Calif., since November, made it clear during a press conference Wednesday that he plans to go back to Peru when it is safe.

''I want to thank the authorities of the United States for permitting me to stay in this country until the situation permits me to return,'' he said.

''The policies of my government are in error,'' he said through a translator.

The Peruvian government denounced his claims, took him off the investigation and closed his office, ostensibly for lack of funds. A Peruvian Congressional report praised the general's efforts against attacks by guerrillas of the Sendero Luminoso, or Shining Path.

Escobar said that during the 1988 probe he was forced to duck gunfire for 20 minutes while on a military base, was threatened and became the subject of intimidation.

Peruvian officials formally protested Escobar's application for asylum when he filed it in March.

President Alberto Fujimori, who took the helm of the Peruvian government in

June, has given the military control of 50 percent of the countryside, largely the rural regions, Escobar said.

Van Der Hout said he was pleased the American government granted asylum, despite U.S. support of the Peruvian government.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - The government this week is sending $32 million to Panama, the largest component to date of a $420 million aid package promised by the Congress in the aftermath of the U.S. invasion, officials said Wednesday.

Delays in the promised U.S. aid package had prompted Panamanian President Guillermo Endara to stage a 13-day fast in March, but U.S. officials blamed delays over the past four months on the need for legislative approvals in Panama.

''Not $he least (of the reasons for the delays in Panama) relates to the fact that there are a number of requirements that had to be met, including putting together an overall economic plan and putting together a budget, and the Panamanian government is rather new to all this,'' said Gussie L. Daniels III, the desk officer for Panama in the U.S. Agency for International Development.

''If they had moved faster, the money would have moved faster,'' said Daniels, who said his agency has just cleared $32 million in aid for Panama and expects to send the money sometime this week.

A State Department spokesman, who declined to be identified, portrayed the delay as evidence of the democracy he said has flourished in Panama since U.S. forces invaded in December and removed military leader Manuel Noreiga.

''It took five months in our Congress, and another four months for their procedures,'' the spokesman said. ''This is coalition politics down there.''

Officials at the Panamanian Embassy in Washington could not be immediately reached for comment.

The money being sent this week is part of a $420 million Panamanian aid package approved by the Congress in May.

The promised funds include $130 million to pay Panama's arrears to international financial institutions, $113 million for public sector development, $107 million for private sector development, and $70 million for various other projects including strengthening democratic institutions and environmental protection.

Congress earlier had approved a separate $32 million in grants and $10 million in loans to pay primarily for costs directly related to the U.S. invasion, including the reconstruction of affected homes and businesses.

The only money from the $420 million aid package previously sent to Panama was about $11 million used for scholarships, police training and public administration, Daniels said.

The additional $32 million being sent this week is targeted for private sector development and private sector credit, Daniels said.

The U.S. government plans to ''audit'' Panama's use of the money, but has placed no specific limits on its use other than general U.S. restrictions against usages such as gambling and abortion, he said.

Daniels defended the decision to avoid further restrictions, saying the agency decided the need to show faith in the new Panamanian government was more important than any risk the funds might not reach those most in need.

''Those concerns were raised repeatedly, but the judgment that was reached was that we don't want to do too much in the way of handholding for the government of Panama,'' Daniels said.

''That is a sovereign government,'' he said. ''It has to stand on its own.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - Stocks closed higher Wednesday in yet another day of light trading as optimism about a plan to cut the budget deficit and a bout of bargain hunting boosted prices late in the session.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which lost 2.97 Tuesday, gained 13.12 to 2625.74.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.70 to 177.09 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index added 1.50 to 322.54. The price of an average share added 12 cents.

Advances outpaced declines, 784-628, among the 1,942 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 129,890,000 shares, up from 113, 220,000 traded Tuesday.

Analysts said some bargain hunting late in the session and optimism about a deficit-cutting plan led the market out of its day-long weakness.

''We've exhausted the sellers and are getting some bargain hunting and nibbling by people who are getting tired of waiting for cheaper prices,'' said

Michael Metz, analyst at Oppenheimer & Co.

Metz also said there seems to be some ''nascent optimism'' about movement toward a plan to cut the budget deficit. ''Some feeling this may really happen is creeping into market psychology,'' he said.

White House and congressional budget negotiators, meeting for a sixth day Wednesday at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington, are considering a possible new tax on luxury items such as expensive cars, private boats and airplanes, furs, jewelry and electronic equipment.

While no final decisions have yet been made - talks are expected to continue all night Wednesday and into Thursday - Democrats have reportedly proposed a 10 percent luxury levy while Republicans are said to be considering a 5 percent tax.

''And lastly,'' Metz said, ''every day the market doesn't go down in the face of no improvement in the fundamentals provides encouragement that it has hit bottom. There's a lot of money on the sidelines with no urgency to recommit itself but there is some rebuilding of confidence so some money is creeping back in.''

On the trading floor, Alcan Aluminium was the most active issue, up 1/2 to 22 1/8.

Corroon & Black followed, surging 6 5/8 to 37 1/2 after receiving a cash merger offer from another insurer, Aon Corp., which lost 1 1/2 to 33.

Tandem Computers was third, up 1/8 to 11 5/8. It sank Tuesday after warning late Monday its growth rate might not meet Wall Street's expectations. It also said it would take steps to cut costs to hold onto profit margins.

Analysts were said Tuesday to have cut earnings estimates for Tandem's fiscal quarter ending this month.

Browning-Ferris Industries was also active, down 1 1/2 to 33. Analysts are said to be cutting earnings estimates for the company. Santa Fe Southern Pacific was the fifth most active stock, down 1/2 to 14 7/8. The company said it has accepted $215.6 million of a $260 million debenture issue in a debt-for-equity swap, under which it will issue 14.5 million common shares.

Among the blue chips, AT&T fell 1/2 to 30 5/8 in active trading. Analysts were quoted in the Wall Street Journal as saying they don't expect it to be a good buy any time soon, citing recession fears and promotion expenses for its new credit card.

Elsewhere, IBM rose 3/8 to 107 7/8, Sears lost 3/8 to 28 1/8 and Eastman Kodak gained 1/2 to 41 1/2. Oil issues gained as oil prices closed higher. Texaco

jumped 1 3/4 to 64 3/8, Chevron rose 1 to 77 1/8 and Exxon added 1/2 to 51 3/8.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 157,487,620 shares, compared with 136,363,710 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices closed sharply higher in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index rose 0.18 to close at 323.19. Declines led advances 264-246 among the 770 issues traded. The price of an average share rose 1 cent. Composite volume totaled 10,820,200 shares, compared with 10,860,200 shares traded Tuesday.

Hillhaven led the Amex issues, up 1/8 to 1 5/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 0.83 to 380.32.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - President Bush pushed his long-stalled anti-crime bill Wednesday and threatened to veto an alternative House measure that he said would protect the criminal and handcuff the police.

''The American people are fed up,'' Bush said. ''I urge Congress to heed the voices of our people, our police and our prosecutors and send me a crime bill that will help take back the streets.''

Bush is headed for a showdown with Capitol Hill. He earlier threatened to veto the Senate-passed version of his bill because it contains a provision that would outlaw nine types of semiautomatic assault weapons.

Speaking to hundreds of state and local prosecutors gathered on the White House south lawn in a show of support for his anti-crime package, Bush made no mention of the volatile gun control issue.

Instead, he raised such matters as the little-used death penalty, the lengthy appeal process and ''scales of justice (that) are unfairly loaded against dedicated lawmen and women like you.''

Bush's Comprehensive Violent Crime Control Act has been on Capitol Hill for more than a year, during which the nation has experienced a surge in drug-related violence and a near-record murder rate.

His bill would expand the number of federal crimes punishable by death, including major drug dealing, streamline the appeal process and eliminate

''loopholes'' that limit police search and seizure powers.

The Senate approved much of the package, but added the provision outlawing certain assault weapons. The House bill, now in committee, does not include such a ban.

But it would, the administration complains, increase the appeal process and thus effectively eliminate the death sentence. The House version, unlike Bush's bill, also does not extend the ''good faith'' exception in warrantless searches.

Attorney General Dick Thornburgh called the House measure a ''pro- criminal bill'' and ''a step backwards'' in effective law enforcement.

The full chamber is expected to vote on the measure within a few days.

Bush said, ''We will not accept a crime bill that is tougher on law enforcement than it is on criminals. I will not sign a bill that handcuffs police.''

Many lawmen have been at odds with the administration over gun control. They have urged Bush to outlaw semiautomatic assault weapons and to back a waiting period for purchase of handguns.

In fact, the 6,500-member National District Attorneys Association, which was out in force Wednesday in support of Bush's bill, recently passed a resolution in favor of restrictions on semiautomatics.

''We didn't bring it up with the president today,'' said Richard Ieyoub, the association's president. ''We came here to talk about his crime bill.''

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 12) UPI - An estimated 116,000 natural gas and pipeline workers nationwide may be subjected to random drug testing without violating constitutional privacy rights, a federal appeals court ruled Wednesday.

The unanimous 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals decision upheld a Transportation Department random urine testing program even though the department could show ''neither the existence of widespread drug problems in the pipeline industry nor a direct linkage between drug impairment and the possibility of accidents.''

In rejecting the invasion of privacy claims, the appeals court said pipeline and natural gas facility workers have lowered expectations of privacy based solely on their employment in an industry highly regulated to ensure safety.

Judge Joseph Sneed wrote the privacy expectations of the workers in the pipeline industry is ''outweighed by the government's interest in detecting and deterring drug use.''

''Random drug testing, as compared to other forms of testing, offers the best potential deterrent to drug use,'' Sneed wrote.

The ruling adds pipeline workers in the natural gas industry to the growing list of workers who may be subjected to random urine testing.

Among those courts say may be randomly tested are airline industry personnel, prison guards, army civilian guards, nuclear power workers, civilian army chemical weapons plant workers, Justice Department employees with top secret clearance, police officers carrying firearms and mass transit workers.

The 1988 Transportation Department regulations, proposed by the Research and Special Programs Administration, specifically cover natural gas, liquified natural gas and hazardous liquid pipeline workers.

Along with random testing, the program also called for pre-employment testing, post-accident testing, tests when reasonable suspicion of drug use exists and rights for retesting.

Several AFL-CIO unions challenged the random testing aspect of the plan as an unconstitutional invasion of privacy and illegal search and seizure.

Sneed noted the program requires ''all reasonable steps'' be taken to collect a urine sample even if an employee is ''injured, unconscious, or otherwise unable to (give consent.'')

Sneed said, although that requirement was called ''highly draconian'' by the unions and is unprecedented among other transportation-related accident testing programs, the unions abandoned challenges to post- accident testing.

The entire plan applies to workers engaged in operation, maintenance or emergency response functions of the pipeline industry.

Sneed was joined in his decision by Judges Jerome Farris and Ferdinand Fernandez.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (SEPT. 12) UPI - The Kansas City Royals have re-signed manager John Wathan for the 1991 season, Royals General Manager John Schuerholz said Wednesday.

Schuerholz announced the signing of the one-year contract at a late afternoon

press conference at Royals Stadium. No terms of the deal were announced.

Wathan, 40, who was hired Aug. 27, 1987, as the team's ninth manager. He will begin his fourth full season as the club's manager next year. Wathan also played 10 years in the major leagues, all with Kansas City.

Before Wednesday night's game against the Toronto Blue Jays, the Royals were mired in a nine-game losing streak. They had a 66-76 record and were in sixth place in the American League West, 24 1/2 games behind the first-place Oakland Athletics. Many prognosticators had expected the team to challenge Oakland for the division title.

Schuerholz said he and Wathan will determine the status of the coaching staff at the end of the season.

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(SEPT. 12) UPI - Military analysts say there is NO chance that the United States will use nuclear arms against Iraq... even though some U-S warships in the Mideast are nuclear-capable and may be carrying tactical atomic weapons. U-S policy is to neither confirm nor deny the presence of nuclear weapons aboard any vessels in the field or to publicly rule out their use in a conflict. .

For the first time ever, the Army is calling up about 450 retired Army personnel and reservists for support the Operation Desert Shield build-up in Saudi Arabia. The Pentagon says the forces are in addition to the nearly 50-thousand military reservists and National Guard members already called up.

About 30-thousand people jammed an opposition rally in Belgrade to warn Serbia's ruling communists to hold democratic elections or face a boycott of the balloting. Leaders of the anti-communist rally want Serbia's president to meet with opposition forces to work out guidelines for elections supervised by all parties, NOT just the communists.

A Canadian Coast Guard spokesman says the search area for a Peruvian Boeing 727 jetliner that ditched in the north Atlantic was expanded to about 300-thousand square miles. The spokesman says the area was expanded because satellite signals believed to be from the plane turned out to be from other sources. The plane ditched with about 15 people aboard.

An ex-trade school owner jailed for bilking the federal student loan program told Congress he could probably run the scam again if he were freed today. A Senate panel heard from convicted felon Tommy Downs and government investigators on how schools manage to be certified to participate in student loan programs, despite a record of loan defaults. Taxpayers are holding the bag for about two-BILLION dollars in student loans now in default.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 12) UPI - Lockheed Corp. said Wednesday that it has denied a request by Texas investor Harold Simmons to appear before its board to argue that the company's ''poison pill'' anti-takeover provision should be eliminated.

Simmons, who controls a 19.8 percent stake in the aerospace giant through NL Industries, recently asked Lockheed to redeem its poison pill plan, which can be activated when an investors obtains more than 20 percent of the stock.

Simmons, who has been seeking control of Lockheed for more than a year, has asked for the redemption to boost his stake to 35 percent by buying shares at $35 each from the company's Employee Stock Ownership Plan.

Lockheed's stock closed up 12.5 cents at $25.375 a share Wednesday on the New York Stock Exchange.

Simmons lost an acrimonious proxy battle in March for control of the Lockheed board, but 56 percent of voting shareholders approved an advisory vote asking for redemption of the poison pill plan. He subsequently sued Lockheed and its officers to overturn the board election results, alleging that the ESOP shares were improperly voted in support of management.

A special committee of the Lockheed board met Tuesday to consider redemption of the poison pill, and will meet again Sept. 21, spokesman Scott Hallman said. The full board is due to meet on Sept. 24.

Lockheed Chairman Daniel Tellep, in a recent letter to NL Industries President J. Landis Martin, said that NL's request to appear could not be honored, although submission of written material would be allowed.

Simmons had also asked to review any Lockheed studies on the issue, but Tellep said that some of the material considered by the committee is ''privileged.'' He also said that Simmons' access to the committee and documents is ''complicated'' by the lawsuit.

Tellep also pointed out that since a large number of shares were not voted, the proposal was not approved by a majority of outstanding shares.

Martin, in a recent letter to Tellep, charged that the board has staged an ''elaborate charade'' to avoid compliance with the resolution. The letter was contained in a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

''As Lockheed's shareholders recognize, the Lockheed poison pill only serves to reduce management accountability and harm stock values, a fact that has

been all too evident since the annual meeting,'' wrote Landis, noting the company's stock has recently traded at a nine-year low.

''In light of this, the Board of Directors should be anxious to raise the stock price,'' Landis said. ''Redeeming the poison pill in one step that should be taken''.

''The Lockheed poison pill purports to protect shareholders, but the Company's shareholders have sent a clear message that they do not want the type of protection' imposed,'' Landis wrote.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - NASA released three new pictures taken by the Hubble Space Telescope as investigators Wednesday continued to trace the exact cause of the observatory's embarrassing defect.

The images of a distant quasar, an exploded star and a star cluster demonstrate the ability of Hubble to perform some valuable research despite an inability to sharply focus starlight, NASA said.

The quasar picture, taken by the telescope's European-built Faint Object Camera, provides ''astronomers with the most detailed image ever taken'' of a so-called gravitational lens, NASA said.

The image of the quasar shows four versions of the object, which is located about 8 billion light years from Earth. The multiple images are created by the light of the quaser being bent by the gravitational field of a galaxy located only about 400 million light years from Earth in a phenomenon known as a ''gravitational lens,'' NASA said.

A quasar is a powerful, distant object that contains extremely high amounts of energy and may be the nuclei of ancient active galaxies.

''Detailed analysis of this facinating Faint Object Camera image and others to be observed later with the Hubble Space Telescope will provide a wealth of information on the details of lensing galaxies, as well as the process of gravitational lensing itself,'' the space agency said in a statement.

The picture of a star cluster known as R136 is the most detailed and clearest picture ever taken of the cluster in the Large Megallanic Cloud, about 170,000 light years from Earth.

''The Faint Object Camera image highlights the high resolution of the Hubble Space Telescope by separating stars far more clearly than even the best conventional ground-based photographs,'' NASA said.

The image of the exploded star is a close-up of supernova 1987a, a star that exploded in February 1987 about 170,000 light years from Earth, and shows a ring of material circling the remains.

''This is the first time that the exploding outer envelope of (the supernova) has been photographed directly - a feat that clearly demonstrates the power of the Hubble Space Teleescope,'' the statement said.

''The presence of this ring .. provides astronomers with an important clue for determining the nature and history of the progenitor star that exploded,'' the statement said.

Meanwhile, an investigative panel headed by Lew Allen of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena Calif., began the latest in a series of two-day meetings in Danbury, Conn., to try to nail down the specific cause of the flaw.

The panel was focusing on a rod used to measure a device, known as a ''null corrector,'' used to test the telescope's main mirror when it was built by Perkin-Elmer Corp. 10 years ago, said NASA spokeswoman Sarah Keegan.

''They are looking at one of the measuring rods as possibly having been the problem,'' she said.

The panel previously found the null corrector was set slightly wrong, causing the supposedly perfect 94-inch mirror to be shaped incorrectly. That prevents the telescope from focusing starlight sharply.

The misshapen mirror, which was discovered about a month after the long-awaited $1.5 billion telescope was ferried into space in April, set off a storm of criticism of NASA.

NASA officials have said the problem can be corrected when a camera is replaced by a space shuttle mission in 1993. However, they stressed the telescope could still conduct valuable research in the meantime and began releasing pictures to demonstrate its abilities.

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EAST BERLIN (SEPT. 12) UPI - Former President Ronald Reagan took chisel in hand Wednesday and chipped at the ruins of the Berlin Wall, which he had once dramatically urged Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to tear down.

Shouts of ''Danke, Herr Reagan'' - ''Thank you Mr. Reagan'' - echoed under the arches of the Brandenburg Gate, where the former president made his now historic speech in June 1987.

Reagan said fragments of the demolished wall now being hawked by vendors on

the street ''testify to the determination of the East German people to regain their freedom.''

''Now the wall is gone, destroyed by freedom's light,'' he said in an address he delivered at the West Berlin Congress Hall.

After his speech, Reagan found a stretch of wall that had not been torn down yet, and, with hammer and chisel, contributed to its demolition.

Just over two years after Reagan stood at the Brandenburg Gate and urged ''Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall,'' the Berlin Wall was opened for free travel on Nov. 9, 1989. Since then, much of it has been torn down.

''I'm not going to miss it and I don't think you will either,'' a beaming Reagan told a group of Germans who greeted him after he crossed from West to East Berlin.

Reagan also signed the East Berlin visitors book at the Staatsrat - a building formerly used by the communist head of state, in which parliamentary President Sabine Bergman-Pohl now receives foreign guests.

Reagan offered his help to a united Germany.

''If by any chance they need outside help, I would be happy to be of assistance,'' he said.

In a brief remark in the crisis in the Persian Gulf, Reagan said the standoff had brought about more international unity ''than I can recall ever in the world ... over a problem like this.''

The former president and his wife walked from the Reichstag - the former German parliament - to the Brandenburg Gate, along the area where the wall used to be. They were accompanied by West Berlin Mayor Walter Momper and West German parliamentary President Rita Suesmuth.

They paused briefly on the western side of the Brandenburg gate, where a man in the crowd played military marching tunes on a trumpet.

More than 2,000 people, many cheering and waving, welcomed the group on the eastern side of the gate, where Reagan shook hands and chatted with several Berliners and visitors.

''What a wonderful surprise. We did not even know he would be here,'' said Petra van Klugt, a Dutch national in her early sixties, proudly showing a piece of paper bearing Reagan's autograph.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - Forget, for the moment, the tanks, troops and warships in the Persian Gulf. President Bush opted Wednesday for a more potent weapon - television - to drive a wedge between Saddam Hussein and the Iraqi people.

The satellite-transmitted war of images that has become so much a part of the Persian Gulf crisis escalated as Bush, seizing on a vague invitation from Baghdad, videotaped an eight-minute message for broadcast on Iraqi television.

The intent, aides said, was to reach beyond the propaganda heard in Baghdad with assurances that economic and military pressure unleashed against Iraq has not been aimed at punishing the Iraqi people, but taming Saddam.

The possibility, however, was that the taping may turn out to be just another exercise in television-age diplomacy, to be seen and heard almost everywhere but in the Iraqi households Bush would like to see turn against Saddam.

Despite an ambiguous Iraqi offer late last week to air some videotape of Bush on state-run television, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater acknowledged there had been nothing official from Baghdad to suggest he will see airtime.

The White House, however, was determined to go through the motions as if a formal invitation had been extended, preparing a videotape with Arabic subtitles and dubbing under the direction of Bush media adviser Sig Rogich.

''It's personal,'' Fitzwater said of the message, ''and it's directed towards the people of Iraq and the hardship they've had to bear in this matter. It provides a very candid but personal description of our involvement and our goals and objectives in the region.''

NBC News reported that the message was not make a personal attack on the Iraqi leader, and instead emphasized the facts that he believes Saddam has withheld from the Iraqi people. The network also reported Bush said 26 nations, including many Arabs, are allied against Iraq.

Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger was to hand the tape over Thursday morning at the State Department to Iraqi Ambassador Mohamed Al-Mashat. What Al-Mashat would do with the unsolicited package was anybody's guess.

Iraqi Embassy officials had no immediate comment. As a hedge against uncertainty, the White House planned for other copies of the tape to be delivered to Iraqi officials through diplomatic channels in Baghdad.

''We expect that Iraq will honor its invitation to allow this to be addressed to the Iraqi people,'' Fitzwater said. ''And we will ask them to provide us

air time within the next five days.''

That the nature of the original offer was subject to interpretation seemed not to matter. Depicted in some reports last week as merely a request to send an Iraqi crew to interview Bush, the White House saw it as an opportunity at least to place the Iraqi government on the defensive by challenging it to broadcast the U.S. side of events in the gulf and at best a chance to paint doubts in the minds of the Iraqi people about the true motives and risks of Saddam's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

If the message is not aired within five days, Fitzwater said it will be widely released to news agencies in the United States, the Arab world and elsewhere to show what Bush would have told the Iraqi people if permitted.

In contrast to the occasionally sharp tone of Bush's televised speech Tuesday night to a joint session of Congress, Fitzwater said the message taped Wednesday was not so much ''an attack'' on Saddam as an explanation of the dire consequences his aggression may hold for the Iraqi people, whose economy may soon begin to suffer from a virtual U.N.-ordered trade embargo.

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#90255u2202 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 12) UPI - An Iranian cleric's call for a holy war against the U-S military force in the Persian Gulf dampened stock trading around the globe. Iran's spiritual leader said a jihad... or war against the enemies of Islam... is needed to dislodge the American presence in the region. Today's declaration was felt on Wall Street and other trading centers as an earlier upward motion tapered off. Analysts note that trading institutions are waiting for decisive action in the area.

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The European Parliament has voted by an overwhelming majority to hold a rare meeting of the so-called Council of Europe. The European Community legislature will convene to prepare a ''plan of action'' to ease tensions in the Persian Gulf. Besides Kuwait's sovereignty, the conference also is scheduled to consider Lebanon's territorial integrity and the rights of both the Palestinian people and the state of Israel.

Lawmakers trying to reach a compromise budget plan are considering a new tax on luxury items. The action would raise the cost of items such as jewelry, furs, expensive cars and electronic equipment. One Democratic aide estimated that the tentative tax would raise two-BILLION dollars the first year and eight-BILLION dollars during the next five years, and would offset the federal deficit. The Andrews Air Force Base meeting is expected to go through tomorrow.

NASA officials have set Tuesday as the launch date for the shuttle Columbia.

The ailing spaceplane has been grounded more than three months. But space agency officials say engineers have resolved Columbia's glitches. The way was cleared for the latest lift-off try after technicians replaced a 250-dollar seal in a fuel line valve. Also today, NASA said the shuttle Discovery has been scheduled to take off around October 8th.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - The Senate approved a mandatory seafood inspection program Wednesday, bringing fish and shellfish under the same standards now applied to beef, pork and poultry.

In a bitter fight, which split both parties, the Senate voted 59-39 to have the Agriculture Department carry out the new program, despite the vehement protests of senators who backed the Commerce Department and Food and Drug Administration.

The bill passed by voice vote and sent to the House but Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, said it would be vetoed.

Seafood is a big and growing industry. Americans spent $28.3 billion on fish and shellfish last year and another $2.4 billion worth was exported.

The bill would set federal standards for unsafe levels of contaminants, and sanitation and labeling; mandatory inspections; uniform standards for domestic and imported products; and promote research.

The legislation would assign primary responsibility for the program to the Agriculture Department, which nows carries out inspections of all other flesh foods.

The FDA and the Commerce Department would play support roles. FDA would set tolerances for contaminant levels and the Commerce Department, through two of its agencies, would be responsible for policing fish and shellfish growing and harvesting areas.

In the substitute proposal, which was rejected, the Agriculture Department would have played no role in the inspection program.

''In establishing a mandatory, publicly funded inspection program under the USDA, the bill ensures that the fishing industry will be treated equitably with respect to the meat and poultry industries,'' Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell said.

He added, ''For the first time, the inspection of all flesh foods would be consolidated in a comprehensive program under USDA.''

The two Alaska senators, Stevens and Frank Murkowski, R-Alaska, as well as Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee, fought to keep the Agriculture Department out of the program.

Stevens and Murkowski suggested that meat and poultry interests were behind the effort to invest the power in the Agriculture Department.

Stevens said ''the motivation is fear that we are moving out'' and that fish is going to take away even more markets from meat and poultry.

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#90255u2255 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - Farm-state congressmen strongly urged the Bush administration Wednesday to order a 15 percent land set-aside for the 1991 crop - a step the administration said it has no authority to take.

In a letter, 35 congressmen, including the leaders of the House Agriculture Committee, said farmers ''need a specific setaside figure'' so they can plan their operations.

Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter has repeatedly said he cannot announce a set-aside until Congress passes the new farm policy bill. A department official said the letter would not change the department's view that it lacked authority to declare a set-aside figure.

Yeutter has said the set-aside is likely to between between 10 percent and 20 percent.

The Senate passed legislation Tuesday that would mandate a 15 percent setaside.

''Our farmers just can't wait any longer for Congress to pass a new farm bill or for the federal government to spell out program details,'' said Senate Republican Leader Robert Dole of Kansas, the bill's sponsor.

Farmers have begun seeding the winter wheat crop.

The September crop report pegged the wheat crop at 2.76 billion bushels, the third largest crop on record. With exports projected to fall 108 million bushels from last year's level, the U.S. stockpile of wheat was estimated to reach 946 million bushels by next June 1 - up 410 million bushels in one year.

In their letter, the congressmen offered to work with Yuetter ''to ensure that a 15 percent wheat (set-aside) is consistent with the final farm bill package.''

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#90255u2260 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 12) UPI - House and Senate negotiators have tentatively agreed on a bill broadening circumstances under which the government can draw oil from its Strategic Petroleum Reserve to meet the nation's emergency energy needs, congressional aides said Wednesday.

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Keeping the reserve in operation and expanding the president's discretion to use it in times of oil supply disruptions has grown ever more crucial since Iraq invaded Kuwait, threatening western access to Persian Gulf oil.

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Under current law, the president can order the government to draw on the reserve only in the case of a ''severe interruption'' of oil imports. This authority has never been invoked.

The compromise struck by conference negotiators would further allow the reserve to be tapped in the event of a domestic supply disruption that is ''comparable in scope and duration'' to the type of energy crisis for which the reserve was originally created, a Senate staffer said.

The House previously had taken the position, opposed by the Senate, that oil from the reserve should be made available under even less severe circumstances ''likely to become a national or regional energy emergency.''

Another key feature of the agreement is a provision that for the first time would require a portion of the reserve, now made up entirely of crude oil, be devoted to refined petroleum products, such as heating oil or gasoline.

But to ward off a threatened veto, storage of refined products would be authorized only as a three-year pilot program rather than as a permanent part of the petroleum reserve as the House intended, the staffer said.

This provision was designed to speed delivery of gasoline or heating oil in the event of a shortage, shortening the time it would otherwise take to refine the petroleum before it can be shipped.

The White House also had threatened a Senate-passed provision to expand the size of the reserve to 1 billion barrels. Instead, the conference negotiators agreed to language authorizing such an enlargement after 1996, when the reserve's existing capacity of 750 million barrels is expected to be reached.

The reserve now holds about 590 million barrels of crude oil, stored in salt caverns on the Gulf Coast of Louisiana and Texas.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 12) UPI - A state appeals court judge late Wednesday rejected a request by one of the Central Park jogger rapists that he be set free on bail.

State Appellate Division Justice Sidney Asch rejected Yusef Salaam's request that he be granted bail, meaning he will remain incarcerated in the Spofford Juvenile Center in the Bronx.

Salaam, Antron McCray and Raymond Santana - all 16 - were sentenced Wednesday to a maximum term of five to 10 years for the brutal assault and rape of the Central Park jogger.

The youths were tried as adults, but were sentenced as juveniles because they were under 16 at the time of their arrest.

A jury last month convicted the trio of rape, riot, robbery and assault in the April 19, 1989, attack on the 30-year-old Wall Street banker and two male joggers.

They were part of a gang of as many as 30 youths who went ''wilding'' in the park, randomly throttling and robbing anyone who crossed their path. They converged upon nine victims, including the petite woman jogger who was brutally beaten and left for dead in a muddy gully.

State Supreme Court Justice Thomas Galligan had rejected the defense argument that he should be merciful to the teens because of their young ages.

''Is it less egregious that a woman has her head bashed with pipes and bricks by a 15-year-old rather than a 30-year-old?'' the judge asked rhetorically.

Before the judge spoke, he listened to a statement from each of the youths, including a rap poem read by Salaam. The youth said he was a victim of white

oppression, comparing himself to Nelson Mandela and the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

''I think my debt to society has been paid. This is the price for being a black man,'' Salaam told the judge.

The other two youths thanked their families for supporting them.

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#90255u2331 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 12) UPI - Although minorities and the poor represent the fastest growing segment in the nation's increasingly high-tech workforce, they are being shortchanged in mathematics and sciences education, a study released Wednesday said.

The study by the RAND Corp., a think tank, identified two key factors thwarting the education of minorities and low-income students in those areas: their relegation by the education system to low-ability courses and low-quality teaching and facilities in the schools those students attend.

Without a change in academic policy and a more equitable distribution of resources, such learning obstructions are likely to contribute to a future workforce incapable of meeting the nation's technological demands, the study, titled ''Multiplying Inequalities,'' concluded.

The study was based on a 1986 National Science Foundation survey of 1,200 public and private schools and more than 6,000 of their teachers.

It found that minority and low-income students are placed in low- ability math and science courses at disproportionately high numbers compared to white middle- and upper-middle class students.

Such placements, known as academic tracking, often occur at secondary and elementary school levels and are meant to respond to students' aptitude and achievements. But the report found that by tracking their academic courses, ''schools actually limit some students' opportunities to learn.''

''Groupings (of children by ability levels) are easily and commonly confounded with race and social class,'' the study said.

Moreover, it found that students placed on low-ability tracks have difficulty excelling to higher tracks for a number of reasons, one being that teachers tend to ''limit'' their instruction, rather than ''fine- tune it in ways to accommodate differences in ability and educational experience.''

Of elementary schools in the survey - at those where minorities comprised 90 percent to 100 percent of the student body - low-ability classes accounted for 28 percent of science and math courses. At predominantly white elementary schools, only seven percent of the classes were low-ability, or slow track, the study said.

From seventh to 12th grade, where most classes are tracked, advanced courses make up 12 percent of the science and math classes at minority schools, but comprise 34 percent of those courses at predominantly white schools.

Minority and low-income students are also less likely to have well- qualified teachers in math and science than their wealthier, white counterparts - another factor contributing to a lack of achievement in those areas, the study found.

Generally, schools place their best qualified teachers in fast-track courses, and their least qualified in low-ability courses, where students also have less access to science equipment and laboratories, computers and material which could make their learning exprience more stimulating, the report said.

The study found that slow-track teachers place less emphassis on problem-solving skills and developing students' interests in math and sciences.

''Although schools may think that they (should) ration good teaching to those students who can most profit from it, we find no empirical evidence to justify unequal access to valued science and mathematics curriculum, instruction and teachers,'' the report said.

''While not all students have the interests or aptitude to become scientists and mathematicians, the disparities for African-American and Hispanic minorities and the poor are so great that considerable science and mathematics talent is undoubtedly being lost from these groups,'' it said.

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#90255u2352 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 12) UPI - The State Department has assumed a wait-and-see stance toward a call to arms by Iran's religious leader to oppose the U-S presence in the Persian Gulf. Department spokesman Richard Boucher says Washington anticipates that Iran will abide by U-N-imposed sanctions against Iraq. Ayatollah Ali Khamenei called today for a jihad- or holy war- to chase American troops from the region.

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Nearly 300 Americans evacuated from Iraqi-occupied Kuwait are slated to touch down tomorrow in North Carolina. Their scheduled arrival follows the return to the United States earlier this week of hundreds of U-S citizens who had been detained as a result of the Middle East conflict. The State Department says some 14-hundred U-S nationals remain in Kuwait, while another 200 are estimated to be in the Iraqi capital.

East and West Germany moved closer to union today as the two states and the four allied powers that quelled the Nazis in World War Two signed an agreement granting tentative sovereignty to a united Germany. The treaty does NOT become effective until it is approved by each nation's legislature.

President Bush today called upon Capitol Hill lawmakers to enact his anti-crime bill. Speaking to hundreds of state and local prosecutors at the White House, Bush said America wants- in his words- ''a crime bill that will help take back the streets.'' The chief executive threatened to veto a House anti-crime package because he says it grants criminals more rights than law enforcement officials.

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#90255u2390 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (SEPT. 12) UPI - About 450 foreigners, including at least 286 Americans and 68 Britons, reached freedom in London Wednesday from six weeks as hostages of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The U.S.-U.K. chartered Iraqi Airways flight with mostly women and children aboard arrived at Gatwick Airport, southwest of London, shortly before 11:30 p.m.

The passengers looked tired and drained at the end of a journey that took them from Kuwait to Baghdad, where they picked up exit visas allowing them to leave Iraq.

The Americans were taken to hotels where they will spend the night before flying to North Carolina Thursday, a U.S. Embassy spokeswoman said.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said at least 286

Americans, mostly women and children, were among the approximately 450 people who left Kuwait.

A Foreign Office spokesman said although British diplomats had made provisions for 100 Britons, only 68 boarded the flight.

Canadians and a small number of French also were believed to have been aboard but details were not immediately available.

Before the flight left Baghdad, some British women told Independent Television News they had been reluctant to leave Kuwait but were forced to because of worsening conditions and lack of medical supplies.

''I didn't want to go actually, if it was up to me I'd stay there. But I've got children, and things are getting worse,'' one woman told ITN.

Another woman said her trip from Kuwait to Baghdad was the first time she had come out of hiding since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 in a land and oil dispute.

''I've been hiding. I didn't see daylight for six weeks. I was scared to go out,'' she said.

The Americans planned to spend the night in London before boarding a chartered Northwest Airlines flight bound for Raleigh, North Carolina, Thursday, the U.S. spokeswoman said.

The U.S. State Department said Tuesday Iraq had agreed to ease restrictions slightly on American hostages by permitting Arab-born male U.S. citizens to leave occupied Kuwait with American women and children.

The United States has arranged another charter for Friday, which would bring to five the number of American evacuation flights since Sept. 7.

About 1,400 Americans remain trapped in Kuwait, according to updated U.S. figures. There was no breakdown of how many are women, children, men born in the United States or men born in Arab countries.

Another 200 Americans, including diplomats, are in Iraq, double the previous estimate, Boucher said. The increase from earlier figures was apparently due to the fact that some Americans, afraid to contact the U.S. Embassy earlier, were now doing so as the situation grows more desperate.

The State Department believes ''about 80'' Americans have been detained by the Iraqi authorities in Iraq, and Americans in Kuwait have reported increased harassment from Iraqi authorities.

About 600 Americans were evacuated from Iraq and Kuwait prior to Wednesday.

The British Foreign Office said it had no accurate estimate of the number of Britons remaining in Iraq and Kuwait. A spokesman said an updated figure would be released, possibly by Friday.

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#90255u2538 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 12) UPI - A chartered Iraqi jet landed tonight at Gatwick airport near London... carrying about 450 foreigners who had been trapped in Iraq- occupied Kuwait. The passengers included at least 286 Americans, who will be flown back to the United States tomorrow. .

The United States has arranged another charter out of Kuwait for Friday... bringing to five the number of American evacuation flights since last Friday. Updated U-S figures show that about 14-hundred Americans remain trapped in Kuwait.

President Bush videotaped an eight-minute message today that he hopes will be shown on Iraqi television. The tape... which includes Arabic subtitles and dubbing... will be hand-delivered to the Iraqi ambassador in Washington tomorrow. .

The White House describes the message as ''personal'' and ''directed towards the people of Iraq.'' A report says Bush does NOT attack Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein on the tape, but instead emphasizes the facts he believes Saddam has withheld from his people.

On Capitol Hill today...

The Senate voted 59-39 today for a mandatory seafood inspection program... bringing fish and shellfish under the same standards now applied to beef, pork and poultry. Public Voice for Food and Health Policy calls the vote the biggest food-safety victory for consumers in 20 years.

The House voted 370-53 today to notify Tokyo that if it does NOT start covering more of the seven-BILLION dollars it costs to support U-S troops in Japan, the United States will start withdrawing the protective shield. Japan now pays about two-point-four-BILLION dollars of the bill.

Aides say congressional negotiators have tentatively agreed on a bill widening circumstances under which the government can draw oil from its Strategic Petroleum Reserve to meet the nation's emergency energy needs.

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#90255u2540 09/12/1990 ~United Press International
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Yusef Salaam was one of three 16-year-olds sentenced yesterday to a maximum term of five to 10 years for the attack on a 30-year-old woman and two male joggers.

U-S officials say 32-Million dollars in aid will be sent to Panama this week. It's the largest component yet of a 420-Million-dollar package approved in May by Congress. Officials blame delays in sending the money on the need for legislative approvals in Panama.

Thunderstorms pounded parts of Texas today, raising the threat of flooding. Flood watches were posted over much of the Texas Gulf Coast and eastern Texas... already soaked from recent rains.

The heavy rain that has inundated South Korea since Sunday ended today but continues to take a toll. Authorities say a rain-swollen river north of Seoul demolished hundreds of dikes... forcing tens of thousands of people to flee. At least 66 people are confirmed dead from three days of downpours.

First the environmentalists, then the environment kept the former Exxon Valdez from leaving San Diego, California, today. The oil tanker's departure was delayed three hours by protesters. Nine were arrested. Then fog rolled in. The ship finally left just before noon... en route to its new assignment in the Middle East.

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#90255u2647 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 12) UPI - President Bush sat before cameras today as he made a videotaped message for the Iraqi public. Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says Bush opted for a ''candid but personal description'' of the U-S response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. A televised report says Bush did NOT attack Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. Instead, it is reported that Bush stressed the fact that 26 nations are allied against Iraqi aggression.

Former President Reagan was greeted by a chorus of ''Danke, Herr Reagan'' as he marched to a remaining section of the Berlin Wall today. Reagan... who called upon his Soviet counterpart Mikhail Gorbachev to dismantle the wall three years ago... chipped at the structure for a memento. Reagan said he ''would be happy to be of assistance'' as the two Germanys prepare for union.

The feeling on Capitol Hill that wealthy allies are NOT doing their fair share to offset U-S costs associated with the crisis in the Persian Gulf extended into a House vote today. Lawmakers voted 370-53 to warn Tokyo that UNless it covers more of the roughly seven-BILLION dollars it costs to keep U-S forces in Japan, those forces will be withdrawn. Currently, Japan pays about two-point-four-BILLION dollars toward the upkeep of 50-thousand U-S troops.

A Senate panel has refused to provide 300-Million dollars in disaster relief

to the 16 American cities hardest hit by the AIDS epidemic. The House had O-K'd emergency relief for fiscal 1991, but the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Labor said it had NO money to support the proposal. The head of the San Francisco AIDS Foundation was puzzled by the lack of money considering the BILLIONS of dollars set aside for the savings and loan crisis.

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#90255u2669 09/12/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 12) UPI - A New York judge today temporarily banned sale and distribution of a book on Israel's intelligence agency by a former Mossad agent. The Israeli government asked for the restraining order that bars St. Martin's Press from selling the book. The book reportedly says the agency knew in advance of the 1983 terrorist bombing of the U-S Marine barracks in Beirut, but did NOT warn Washington in hopes of ruining U-S- Arab relations.

Tests conducted by the Food and Drug Administration found NO serious problems in 24 drugs likely to jeopardize patients' health if improperly made. The F-D-A analyzed more than 400 samples of generic and brand-name versions of the drugs for birth control, high blood pressure and other conditions requiring precise dosages. The generic drug industry is recovering from a scandal that followed the bribery convictions of some F-D-A employees.

Scientists are planning to study one of the most contaminated spots on Earth- the Rocky Mountain Arsenal in Colorado... home of bald eagles, deer and other wildlife. The Army and several other agencies say they want to see what happens to the animals as a clean-up of the area continues. Deadly pesticides, nerve gas and mustard gas were made at the arsenal bordering the northeast corner of Denver. But the arsenal remains home to 143 animal species.

Eastern Airline's boast of improved on-time performance didN'T help its court-appointed trustee to arrive on time to brag about the company's good record. The Boeing 727 jet that trustee Martin Shugrue took to Atlanta today was delayed about two hours in Miami by a computer problem. Shugrue was flying to Atlanta to talk about the success of Eastern's 100-day service improvement plan.

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#90256b0005 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire

MURRAY HILL, NJ (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - C.R. Bard, Inc. (NYSE:BCR) said today that it has entered into an agreement to sell its Shield Healthcare Centers subsidiaries to a United States subsidiary of Kobayashi Pharmaceutical Company.

Shield Healthcare Centers, located primarily in California, sell medical supplies and equipment for patient care at home.

The Shield subsidiaries had combined sales in 1989 of approximately $30 million. George T. Maloney, Bard's President and Chief Executive Officer, indicated that Bard had been reviewing the strategic fit of Shield for several years, and decided last year to look for a buyer. ''The sale of Shield, which distributes primarily non-Bard products, will improve our focus on developing products in cardiology, urology and surgery -- our core business,'' he said.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed but Bard reported it will realize a one-time after tax gain of several million dollars.

The exact gain will be determined in the fourth quarter after an independent audit as of September 30, 1990 is completed. Cash proceeds from the sale will be used to reduce Bard's short-term debt. Kobayashi Pharmaceutical Company, headquartered in Osaka, Japan, is a privately-held manufacturer and distributor of household and medical products. The acquisition will be made by Kobayashi Enterprises Inc., a Delaware corporation.

C.R. Bard, Inc., headquartered in Murray Hill, is a leading multi-national developer, manufacturer and marketer of health care products.

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#90256b0018 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire
SCOTTS VALLEY, CA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Borland International Inc. (NASDAQ:BORL) has announced an agreement with Prentice Hall, part of the Simon & Schuster Higher Education Group, to develop special course and education materials for college instructors teaching the latest relational database techniques.

The new tutorial and applications material will be developed around Paradox 3.0, Borland's award-winning relational database management software. Paradox's combination of powerful features and intuitive, easy-to-use interface makes it ideally suited for teaching PC database management techniques to first-time and advanced users.

This agreement is part of an effort by both companies to prepare college students for career advancement in a professional workforce that increasingly relies upon computer-based information.

''Borland makes state-of-the-art database software, and Prentice Hall is the leading textbook publisher. By teaming together, we will bring the power of Paradox to higher education in a form that's accessible to users at every level of the curriculum.''

As part of the agreement, Prentice Hall will publish textbooks addressing

three different skill levels: an introductory text designed for beginning microcomputer students, a comprehensive text for semester-long courses on relational database management techniques, and an advanced Paradox tutorial/casebook for upper-division courses on database management theory and practice.

Borland will provide Prentice Hall with the Paradox Academic Version, to be distributed to instructors adopting the Prentice Hall texts. Borland will also provide coupons that enable students to purchase the Academic Version of Paradox at a special price.

Simon and Schuster, the publishing arm of Paramount Communications Inc., is engaged in consumer, educational and professional information publishing worldwide.

Borland International Inc. is a leading developer of high-performance software products. Borland offers some of the world's most widely used business applications and software development tools, such as Paradox, Quattro Pro, Sidekick, Turbo Pascal, Turbo C, Turbo C++ and Turbo Debugger & Tools.

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#90256b0024 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire
HOUSTON (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. announced Thursday that stockholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990 would receive a cash dividend of 4 cents per share payable on Oct. 15, 1990.

This is the second cash dividend paid by Santa Fe Energy since its initial public offering in March of this year.

Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. is a large independent oil and gas exploration and production company with headquarters in Houston. Its stock is traded on the NYSE under symbol SFR.

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#90256b0035 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire
DENVER (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Aspen Exploration has announced significant progress on a placer gold operation and two lode gold projects in Alaska.

Cambior Alaska, operator of the Valdez Creek placer gold operations in central

Alaska, has commenced the resumption of mining activities, which will be continued throughout the winter. Aspen has a block of 50 mining claims leased to the Cambior group, with the claims covering a substantial part of the main gold-bearing channels upstream from the present mine location.

R.V. Bailey, president of Aspen, stated that gold resources on Aspen's claims are estimated at more than 300,000 ounces.

Resumption of mining was delayed in 1990 until permits were obtained for the diversion of Valdez Creek, a stream equivalent in size to many Rocky Mountain area rivers. A new and improved system to recover gold from the gravels will be installed, with operating costs expected to be $265 per ounce.

Mining is expected to commence in 1990 on non-Aspen claims and, in 1991, will proceed onto claims in which Aspen holds a royalty interest. Approximately 80,000 ounces of gold are expected to be produced in 1991. Aspen currently holds in inventory 628 raw ounces of placer gold which was paid as a royalty from Valdez Creek operations during 1989.

In Alaska's Seward Peninsula near Nome, Tenneco Minerals has made significant exploration progress in two projects, Anvil Creek and Rock Creek, in which Aspen is a joint venture partner. Tenneco's field crew, headed by project geologist Ted Eggleston, commenced work on the two projects in June 1990, and has taken approximately 6,000 soil geochem samples on 400 line miles of grid covering 17 square miles.

A number of high gold and arsenic anomalies have been found and follow-up trenching and drilling is being carried out, with some outstanding early results. Trench T-90-7, a new discovery in the Anvil Creek area, encountered a mineralized zone 110 feet wide which contained 0.13 ounces gold per ton.

At a separate locality, trench T-90-15 contained three mineralized intervals, including 30 feet of .16 opt and 10 feet of .26 opt. Trench T-90-24 contained a zone with 35 feet of .12 opt gold.

Aspen management regards these discoveries as extremely encouraging and looks forward with anticipation to the results of additional trenching and drilling which is currently underway. Aspen's interest, which varies from about 9 percent to 27 percent depending on which property is involved, is carried to a production decision.

Aspen also recently announced two additional joint ventures with Great Basin Exploration and Mining for projects in the Nome area.

Aspen Exploration is involved in gold, oil and gas exploration and development and is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ASPN.

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SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - One of the largest pipeline construction projects undertaken in Utah in recent years has been completed, creating a link that will improve the movement of natural gas to customers in Utah and the nation.

The new $22 million, 81-mile, 20-inch pipeline joins two transmission systems of Questar Pipeline Co., a subsidiary of Questar Corp. (NYSE:STR)

Questar Pipeline's northern transmission system runs from Craig, Colo., through Rock Springs, Wyo., to Utah's Wasatch Front. The company's southern transmission system starts west of Rifle, Colo., and runs south of Vernal, Utah, through Price to Payson, Utah.

The recently completed pipeline, designated Main Line 80, runs from Fidlar compressor station south of Vernal to the Kastler compressor station near the Utah-Wyoming border south of Rock Springs. Capacity on the line is about 86 million cubic feet of gas per day.

According to Questar Pipeline President A.J. Marushack, the new line ''provides increased flexibility'' to Questar Pipeline in meeting the needs of its sales-for-resale customer, Mountain Fuel Supply Co.

Mountain Fuel, also a Questar Corp. affiliate, is a retail natural gas distribution company serving nearly 490,000 customers in Utah and southwestern Wyoming.

The pipeline also offers current and potential transportation customers a competitively priced transportation option, Marushack said.

''We continue to look for ways to facilitate the interstate movement of natural gas,'' Marushack said. ''Main Line 80 enhances our role as an interstate transportation pipeline company.''

Planning for the pipeline began more than three years ago. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approval was granted in December 1989. Most construction on the pipeline began in June; however, crossing of croplands east of Vernal was completed in February to avoid the planting season. Contractor for the pipeline was Gregory Cook Inc., Houston, Texas.

The project was completed ahead of schedule and included a major pipeline river bore. Contractors drilled horizontally under the Green River near Jensen, Utah, and pulled a pre-welded 1,000-foot section of the 20-inch diameter pipe beneath the riverbed. The boring was undertaken in part to

minimize disruption of the river's fisheries. Questar Pipeline was commended throughout the project for its attention to environmental impacts and received an award from the American Fisheries Society for its efforts.

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SUNNYVALE, CA. (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The acquisition of Silicon Compiler Systems by Mentor Graphics brought new technology for integrating simulators.

The LSIM Simulation Manager, a software backplane developed by SCS, will be used to integrate all of the Mentor Graphics and third party simulators into a single, unified environm Release 7.0 environment. The companies believe these changes will result in increased interest in the large installed Mentor Graphics customer base currently using Release 7.0.

The Release 7.0 integration strategy will also enhance the efforts of Mentor Graphics Japan which is currently selling the IKOS simulator under an OEM agreement.

IKOS Systems Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and supports advanced hardware-assisted simulation systems for the application-specific integrated circuit and systems design markets.

Headquartered in Sunnyvale, the company employs more than 100 people worldwide.

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RIVERSIDE, CALIF. (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Rastra Building Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:RAST) and McDonald's Restaurants have jointly announced construction of the first McDonald's facility in the United States to be built using the patented Rastra recycled polystyrene/cement building system.

The Rastra material, developed in Austria in 1968 and currently being manufactured in eight countries around the world, will be used for construction of the exterior wall sections of a new, company-owned McDonald's restaurant in Tempe, Ariz., and will actually utilize, or recycle, some of McDonald's own foam/polystyrene packaging.

The Rastra process grinds the foam polystyrene into small beads, coats the beads with a cementious ''skin,'' and then forms the coated beads into a long

cinder-block-like construction element. An average Rastra element can measure 16 inches x 14 inches x 10 feet, depending on application. Ordinary portland cement is poured into open cavities in the Rastra Building System.

The result is an exceptionally strong, fire-resistant wall or ceiling material that also provides high insulation value and excellent soundproofing.

''The 5,000-square-foot restaurant is part of McDonald's McRecycle USA program announced last April,'' reports Sue Parkes, regional marketing manager of McDonald's Corp., Phoenix. ''The use of the Rastra material further demonstrates McDonald's commitment to recycling and the use of recycled materials.''

Parkes also pointed out that, annually, in excess of 600 new McDonald's are built worldwide and 1,800 are remodeled. The McRecycle USA program will spend $100 million domestically on recycled products.

Negotiations continue for the use of the Rastra Building System in other planned McDonald's locations and will be announced when completed.

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FULLERTON, CA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Genatron Inc., an OTC Pink Sheet company, announced that it has taken control of a 60 percent interest in Clean Air Resins Inc., an established business in Santa Ana, through a tax-deferred stock exchange for 10 percent of its outstanding, but not yet issued, authorized treasury stock.

Additionally, Genatron released to Clean Air the first funds as committed in an on-going line of credit, which are supported by a corporate note and secured by way of a UCC-1 blanketing the Clean Air assets.

With a proprietary process, Clean Air is manufacturing one-component water-based linear polyurethane resins for: high-quality clear and pigmented paints; primers; foams; chaulkings; roof, deck and waterproofing coatings; and others. All exceed Environmental Protection Agency regulations and are non-toxic and non-volatile.

As stated by Michael Marzicola, president, Genatron: ''Business and industry are in extreme need for these types of products to comply with air, health and safety standards. These needs will translate into excellent returns for both entities.

''Clean Air and Genatron are preparing to immediately market products not only

domestically where large orders and distributorships are already being negotiated, but also to foreign prospects sharing similar ecological and safety concerns.''

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SAN MATEO, CA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Principal Maturity Trust (NYSE:FPT), a $219-million, closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers Inc., Thursday announced a monthly dividend of 7.25 cents ($.0725) per share payable on Oct. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 28, 1990.

Franklin Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources, Inc. (NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $43-billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.7 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo 94404.

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SAN MATEO, CALIF. (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Multi-Income Trust (NYSE:FMI), a $64-million closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers Inc. Thursday announced a monthly dividend of 8.95 cents ($.0895) per share payable on Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 28, 1990.

Franklin Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $43-billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.7 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, Calif., 94404.

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SAN MATEO, CA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Universal Trust (NYSE: FT), a $270-million, closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers Inc., Thursday announced a monthly dividend of 9.3 cents ($.093) per share payable on Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 15, 1990.

Franklin Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources Inc.

(NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $43-billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.7 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, Calif., 94404.

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WOODLAND HILLS, CA (SEPT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Zenith National Insurance Corp. (ZNT) Thursday declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 22 cents per share on its outstanding shares.

The dividend is payable on Nov. 15 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 31.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Lawrence M. Higby, president of the Los Angeles Times Orange County Edition and a vice president of The Times, and William A. Niese, vice president and general counsel for the newspaper, have been promoted to senior vice presidents, David Laventhol, publisher and chief executive officer, announced Thursday.

''These changes are part of our ongoing strengthening of Times management's organizational structure,'' Laventhol said.

As senior vice president, consumer marketing, Higby will have responsibility for circulation, promotion and cable marketing programs at The Times, as well as marketing operations at the newspaper's daily Orange County, San Fernando Valley, Ventura and San Diego regional editions. He continues in his position of president of the Orange County Edition. He reports to the executive vice president, marketing.

As senior vice president, law and human resources, Niese will oversee The Times' employee relations and legal departments. He reports to Laventhol.

Higby, 45, came to The Times in 1989 from Times Mirror Cable Television, where he was senior vice president of marketing, programming and sales. He has also served as president of America's Pharmacy; senior vice president, marketing and sales for Taco Bell and vice president of marketing for Pepsi-Cola USA, both divisions of PepsiCo Inc.

He worked in the White House during Richard M. Nixon's administration as deputy assistant to the President. Higby holds a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of California at Los Angeles, where he also attended the graduate school of business administration.

He resides in Tustin, Calif., with his wife, Dee, and their four children.

Niese, 54, has been vice president and general counsel of The Times since 1985. He joined Times Mirror, The Times' parent company, in 1966 as an attorney, subsequently serving as assistant secretary for the company and assistant general counsel before being named associate general counsel in 1982. Prior to joining Times Mirror, he practiced law in Phoenix.

Niese received a bachelor of science degree in industrial and labor relations from Cornell University and graduated cum laude from the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law.

Niese and his wife, Ann, reside in Diamond Bar and have three children.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Microwave Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DMIC) announced Thursday the establishment of DMC Laboratories, a separate division focused on advanced development and new technologies.

Robert E. Friess, executive vice president and chief technical officer of Digital Microwave Corp. will be responsible for the overall direction of the laboratories.

In a coordinated move Digital Microwave Corp. announced the appointment of Richard (Dick) Moore to Vice President of Engineering for Digital Microwave Corp. Moore brings more than 29 years of engineering and management experience to his new position, including president and chief executive officer of Excelan Inc., which he took public in 1987.

Most notably, Moore spent 23 years in engineering and general management at Hewlett-Packard Co. Moore holds a B.S. from Princeton University and an M.S.E.E. from the University of California at Berkeley.

''This is an important step for Digital Microwave Corporation,'' commented William E. Gibson, president and chief executive officer of Digital Microwave Corp. ''Technical innovation and engineering leadership are the lifeblood of the company and the establishment of DMC Laboratories under Bob Friess and the appointment of Dick Moore are essential elements in continuing the company's

technical leadership,'' continued Gibson.

Headquartered in San Jose, Digital Microwave Corp. is a leading supplier of high-performance short-haul transmission products to domestic and international markets.

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WALNUT CREEK, CA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Integral Systems Inc., a leading human resource management and and financial applications software company based in Walnut Creek, Thursday announced that it had filed a lawsuit in federal court in San Francisco against PeopleSoft Inc., a private Walnut Creek-based developer of payroll and personnel applications software, and against David Duffield, PeopleSoft's chief executive officer, and Albert Duffield, a former Integral officer who recently joined PeopleSoft in an executive capacity.

The complaint alleges that PeopleSoft's product infringes Integral's copyrights and was developed through illegal copying and use of copyrighted and proprietary material belonging to Integral. In addition, the complaint alleges that PeopleSoft has misappropriated valuable trade secrets belonging to Integral.

Brian M. Aspland, Integral's president and chief executive officer, said, ''We have never favored litigation, but the company has a responsibility to its shareholders, employees and customers to prevent unauthorized use of our proprietary software and other materials, which have been developed and are maintained at great expense.

''We believe that PeopleSoft's products were developed with access to and reliance on Integral's proprietary applications, and that the structure, sequence and organization of PeopleSoft's products are substantially similar to Integral's products and infringe our copyrights.''

In the lawsuit, Integral is seeking both an injunction preventing PeopleSoft from continuing to infringe Integral's copyrights and from using in any manner Integral's trade secrets and proprietary information, and an award of monetary damages.

Integral designs, develops and markets human resources and financial management applications for IBM systems users. The company is committed to leading the industry in delivering enterprise-wide, SAA-compliant computing solutions that satisfy the core business management requirements of medium to large organizations. Recognized as one of the most successful IBM Application

Enabling Business Partners, Integral earned IBM's Outstanding Achievement Award for sales of its DB2 products.

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LAKEWOOD, CO (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Capital Associates Inc., a major financial services and asset management company, announced Thursday that it is reporting a $16.8 million loss ($1.88 per share) on revenues of $151.4 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares to $8.6 million of net income (91 cents per share) on revenues of $138.2 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1989. For the fiscal fourth quarter ended May 31, 1990, the company reported a loss of $16.4 million ($1.82 per share) on revenues of $31.2 million.

This compares to the fiscal fourth quarter ended May 31, 1989, when the company reported net income of $2.5 million (26 cents per share) on revenue of $40.8 million.

The fiscal year 1990 loss is principally related to a $22.1 million provision for losses recorded in the fourth quarter statement of operations. Aftertax, this charge is approximately $14 million. The pretax charge includes a provision of approximately $13 million related to assets under lease.

This provision was established primarily where management believes the lessee does not have the ability to make scheduled lease payments. These lessees are experiencing a significant weakening in their financial condition.

The provision for losses also includes a provision of approximately $8 million to write down the value of retained residual interests and assets held for either sale or lease. These assets are principally computer equipment.

The remainder of the pretax provision, approximately $1 million, primarily represents a loss on sale of a portion of the net assets of the company's Leastec subsidiary.

The company's operations in the fourth fiscal quarter ended May 31, 1990, before consideration of the loss provision resulted in a pretax loss of approximately $7 million. This loss is principally attributable to two causes.

The first is a delay in the expected late May 1990 closing of a major transaction to early June 1990, causing revenues to be deferred into the first fiscal quarter of 1991. The second principal cause is non-recurring general and administrative expenses related to the completion of the company's

internal organizational plans.

The company amended its operating results for the first, second and third fiscal quarters of 1990 (ending Aug. 31, 1989; Nov. 30, 1989; and Feb. 28, 1990, respectively). In total, the effects of the adjustments on pretax income, net income and earnings per share are a reduction of $2.8 million; $1.7 million; and 19 cents, respectively.

The adjustments were made principally to correct errors made in the accumulation of information related to equipment sale transactions.

Capital Associates Inc. has arranged approximately $2 billion of asset financing. The company provides its predominantly Fortune 1000 customers with innovative and customized solutions for their equipment financing needs. Capital Associates is headquartered in the greater Denver area and maintains 20 offices nationwide and in Japan.

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EMERYVILLE, CA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Cetus Corp. (NASDAQ:CTUS) Thursday announced the appointment of new corporate officers.

William G. Gerber, M.D., was promoted to senior vice president, PCR division. Frank McCormick, Ph.D., was promoted to vice president, research, and Shing Chang, Ph.D., was named vice president, preclinical development. The three officers also have been appointed to the company's operating committee.

Gerber, 44, is responsible for Cetus' PCR division, a business unit focused on the commercialization of the company's innovative GeneAmp polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technology. He joined Cetus in 1987 as senior director, corporate ventures.

Previously, he served as director of marketing and sales for Intelligent Medicine, a Colorado medical device company, and prior to that he was medical director in the health services division of Humana.

McCormick, 40, has served as senior scientist and director of Cetus' department of molecular biology. Widely recognized as a leader in oncogene research, McCormick's most recent publications have focused on the activities of ras proteins.

McCormick has led Cetus' oncogene program for six years and also has guided the company's mammalian gene expression work. He joined Cetus in 1981 after conducting postdoctoral work at Imperial Cancer Research Fund, London.

Chang, 45, an expert in gene cloning and expression, joined Cetus in 1978 after his postdoctoral work at Stanford University and the University of Wisconsin. He most recently headed the research division and will now have responsibility for Cetus' development, pharmacology and toxicology organizations.

Cetus Corp., founded in 1971, is based in Emeryville, and also operates EuroCetus in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 13) BUISNESS WIRE - Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. announced Thursday that its board of directors has declared a contingent dividend distribution of preferred stock purchase rights payable to holders of record as of the close of business on Nov. 30, 1990.

Effectiveness of the dividend rights is subject to the distribution of all of the shares of common stock of the company held by Santa Fe Pacific Corp. to its stockholders (the ''spin-off condition''). The dividend rights will be effective on the later of Nov. 30, 1990, and the date on which the spin-off condition is satisfied, but not later than Jan. 29, 1991.

If the spinoff condition is not satisfied by Jan. 29, 1991, the board of directors presently intends to adjust the record date and payment date so that the dividend distribution may be effective as promptly as practicable after the spin-off. The dividend will be distributed at the rate of one right for each common share.

The rights plan is designed to deter coercive takeover tactics and to prevent an acquiror from gaining control of the company without offering a fair price to all of the company's stockholders. The rights will expire one year from the date the spin-off condition is satisfied, but not earlier than Nov. 30, 1991.

James L. Payne, president of Santa Fe Energy, said the rights plan is intended to protect the interests of the company's stockholders in the event the company is confronted with coercive or unfair takeover tactics.

He noted that such tactics include ''a partial or two-tiered tender offer that does not treat all stockholders equally, the acquisition in the open market or otherwise of shares constituting control without offering fair value to all stockholders, or other coercive or unfair takeover tactics which are common in today's takeover environment and which the board of directors believes are not in the best interest of the company's stockholders.''

Payne stressed, however, that the plan ''is not intended to prevent an acquisition of the company on terms that are favorable and fair to all stockholders, and will not do so. The plan is designed to deal with the very serious problem of unilateral actions by hostile acquirors which are calculated to deprive the company's board of directors and its stockholders of their ability to determine the destiny of the company.''

Each right will entitle stockholders, in certain circumstances, to buy one one-hundredth of a share of newly issued junior participating preferred stock of the company at an exercise price of $40. The rights will be exercisable only if a person or group (1) acquires beneficial ownership of 20 percent or more of the company's common stock (an ''acquiring person''), other than pursuant to a ''qualifying offer,'' or (2) commences a tender or exchange offer upon consummation of which such person or group would be an acquiring person.

If any person becomes the beneficial owner of 20 percent or more of the company's common stock, each right not owned by such person or certain related parties will entitle its holder to purchase, at the right's then current exercise price, shares of the company's common stock (or, in certain circumstances as determined by the board, cash, other property or other securities) having a value of twice the Right's exercise price.

However, the rights will not become exercisable if common stock is acquired pursuant to a ''qualifying offer.'' Generally, a ''qualifying offer'' is an all cash tender offer for all shares, pursuant to which the acquiror has received written commitments for the full amount of financing necessary to consummate such tender offer, and the acquiror owns more than 80 percent of the common stock after such tender offer and agrees to effect an all cash merger, on the same terms of such tender offer, for the remaining outstanding shares of common stock.

In addition, if, after a person becomes an acquiring person, the company is involved in a merger or other business combination transaction with another person in which it is not the surviving corporation or in which it is the surviving corporation but its common stock is changed or converted, or if the company then sells 50 percent or more of its assets, cash flow or earning power to another person, each right will entitle its holder to purchase, at the right's then current exercise price, shares of common stock of such other person having a value of twice the right's exercise price.

The company will generally be entitled to redeem the rights at 1 cent per right at any time until the tenth business day (subject to extension) following public announcement that a person has become the beneficial owner of 20 percent or more of the company's common stock.

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GARDEN GROVE, CA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Dense-Pac Microsystems Inc. (NASDAQ:DPAC) has received an order for design improvements and manufacture of 2,500 hand-held, forward-looking infrared scanners from GTS Enterprises, a California-based marketing firm specializing in the law-enforcement field.

The contract, which exceeds $450,000, began contributing to revenues in August 1990. The compact high-tech, hand-held units are perfectly suited to Dense-Pac's high-density design and manufacturing capabilities and further orders are expected before year end.

The product is expected to be widely used in law enforcement and perimeter security, as well as search-and-rescue applications.

According to James G. Turner, chairman of Dense-Pac, this project represents a good growth opportunity that is consistent with the company's strategy of diversifiying into non-D.O.D. niche market areas that utilize the company's strengths.

Dense-Pac designs and manufactures a full range of digital and memory surface mount components and subsystems utilizing the latest CMOS technology. Proprietary packaging technology gives the company a range of products that achieve the highest speeds with the greatest savings of space, weight and cost for its customers.

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REDWOOD CITY, CA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Network Equipment Technologies Inc. (NYSE: NWK) Thursday announced that its board of directors has authorized the company to repurchase up to 15 percent of its $75 million outstanding convertible debentures on the open market from time to time at price levels the company deems appropriate.

The company may discontinue its purchases at any time it determines additional purchases are not warranted.

N.E.T. develops, manufactures, markets and supports advanced communication products and services that enable large, information-intensive organizations to build and manage wide area networks.

These networks interconnect computer and communications devices among

geographically dispersed locations, enabling organizations to utilize their information systems to competitive and economic advantage.

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TEMPE, AZ (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas E. Sawyer, 43, has been named chief operating officer of Health Advancement Services Inc. (NASDAQ:HASI).

Sawyer formerly served as vice president of HealthPartners, the company which implements the programs marketed by HAS. Sawyer had been with HealthPartners since 1988.

Sawyer has 20 years of experience in the health field. He spent 10 years in service delivery, four years in preventive health and ran a private consulting practice in health psychology for 10 years.

A Texas native, Sawyer holds undergraduate degrees in psychology and sociology from Texas Tech University. He graduated from the University of Arizona, where he earned his master's degree in counseling psychology and sociology. He earned his doctorate in health psychology from Arizona State University.

Sawyer replaces William R. Thorne Jr., HAS executive vice president and chief operating officer, who has left the company as a result of a management streamlining and cost reduction plan implemented this week.

Dr. Glenn M. Friedman remains chairman of the board.

Tempe-headquartered HAS is one of the first companies in the United States to implement cost containment through a health risk management program. It has served more than 80,000 individuals and more than 250 employers with operations in Arizona, California, Texas and Pennsylvania.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - American Building Maintenance Industries Inc. (NYSE:ABM) Thursday reported third quarter net income and

revenues for the three months ended July 31.

Net income for the third quarter increased 12 percent to $2,761,000, compared to $2,473,000 for the like period last year. Earnings per share for the quarter were 69 cents, compared to the 63 cents per share for the like quarter of the prior year. Revenues increased six percent to $173,736,000, compared to $164,045,000 for the like period last year.

Net income, before an extraordinary gain, for the nine months ended July 31 was $6,623,000, an increase of 13 percent as compared with $5,885,000 for the nine-month period in 1989. Earnings per share for the nine-month period were $1.67, compared to $1.52 for the like period of the prior year. Revenues for the nine months of fiscal 1990 increased six percent to $502,587,000 against $472,485,000 in 1989.

As a result of an insurance settlement for damage caused by the earthquake of Oct. 17, 1989 to the company's headquarters in San Francisco, an extraordinary gain of $1,387,000, net of income taxes, was recorded in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. The extraordinary gain amounted to 35 cents per share.

ABM employs over 35,000 and is one of America's leading facility service contractors, providing elevator, engineering, janitorial, lighting, mechanical parking, pest control, security and janitorial supply services to hundreds of communities in the United States and Canada.

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MONROVIA, CA. (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - World Vision, the Christian international relief and development agency, has expanded its commitment to Persian Gulf refugees from $25,000 to $65,000, including an airlift scheduled to fly emergency supplies to Jordan at midnight Thursday.

In addition to the initial $25,000 for food, water and supplies for refugees in the Jordanian capital of Amman, World Vision is providing another $15,000 for similar aid, including tents, blankets and mattresses.

World Vision's initial $25,000 commitment provided more than 400 tents, among other relief items, to refugees from Iraq and Kuwait -- primarily peoples from Yemen, the Philippines, Bangladesh, Pakistan, India and Sri Lanka, said World Vision President Robert A. Seiple.

On top of these programs, an airlift of $25,000 in World Vision relief supplies was scheduled to leave Bradley International Airport in Hartford, Conn., at midnight Thursday. Among the supplies are aluminum cookware sets,

tarps, water purification tablets, water containers and blankets.

World Vision is a Christian humanitarian agency working in 89 countries with nearly 5,500 projects that assist some 17 million people. Donors may send contributions for the Middle East refugees to World Vision, Box O, Pasadena, CA 91109-9949, or call 800/423-4200.

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LONDON (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Sept. 13, The RTZ Corporation (NYSE:RTZ), headquartered in London, Thursday announced that its net attributable profit on ordinary activities in the first half of 1990 was 269 million pounds sterling, 4 percent lower than the record first half of 279 million pounds sterling in 1989.

The interim dividend has been increased to 6.0 pence per share (1989: 5.0 pence per share).

The principal items in the unaudited profit and loss account for the six months to June 30 are:

	1990	1989	Change
Group Turnover	2,657m	3,277m	-19%
Group Profit Before Tax	475m	617m	-23%
Net Attributable Profit	269m	279m	- 4%
Earnings Per Share	27.3p	31.7p	-14%
Interim Dividend (Net)	6.0p	5.0p	+20%

Note: All amounts are pounds sterling, except EPS and interim dividend.

Group sales revenue at 2,657 million pounds sterling in the first half of 1990 was 620 million pounds sterling lower, of which 441 million pounds sterling related to businesses sold in the second half of last year. The sales revenue of continuing businesses decreased by 6 percent reflecting principally lower base metal prices, particularly for aluminum and copper.

Profit before tax at 475 million pounds sterling was closely in line with the second half 1989 figure but below the 617 million pounds sterling in the first half. As usual several offsetting factors were involved, although a 126 million pounds sterling reduction in the contribution from aluminum, copper and gold, largely due to the lower aluminum and copper prices, was the most significant item.

Earnings per share were 14 percent lower at 27.3 pence due to the larger number of shares in issue following the July 1989 rights issue.

The interim dividend is being increased to 6.0 pence (1989:5.0 pence). However, the percentage increase is not to be taken as an indication for the year as a whole. The board wishes to improve the balance between the interim and final dividends.

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LAS VEGAS (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Sept. 13, MarCor Resorts, Inc. (NASDAQ: MAAR) today announced that the Nevada Gaming Control Board has recommended approval of the company's exchange of limited partnership interests in the Rio Suite Hotel & Casino.

The decision is subject to final approval from the Nevada Gaming Commission, which is scheduled to consider the matter at the end of the month.

On June 1, MarCor offered to exchange equity in MarCor for limited partnership interests in MarCor Resorts, L.P. V, the limited partnership which owns and operates the Rio Suite Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas, and owns 125 acres in nearby Henderson, Nev.

The company accepted tenders from limited partnership interests valued at approximately $36 million, which will increase MarCor's ownership in the Rio partnership to more than 95 percent, from its present level of 34.9 percent.

MarCor stockholders approved the proposal at the company's annual meeting of stockholders on Sept. 10.

MarCor Resorts, Inc. through a wholly-owned subsidiary, is the principal owner and operator of the first all-suite hotel/casino in the country, the Rio Suite Hotel & Casino, located in Las Vegas.

MarCor and controlled entities own 165 acres in the greater Las Vegas areas zoned for the development of future gaming resorts and ancillary uses.

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BELLEVUE, WASH. (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - First Mutual Savings Bank (NASDAQ:FMSB) announced Thursday it will take an after-tax write down resulting from a change in accounting treatment that will be recorded as a $1,174,284 charge against earnings in the third quarter ending Sept. 30.

The bank said its net worth ratio will be approximately 7%, which is above the FDIC regulatory minimum of 6%.

''This accounting change will have the effect of stating our deferred servicing rights more conservatively and will actually increase earnings in future years,'' said Bruce F. Baker, president.

On July 25, First Mutual announced that it had determined to make a change in the method of applying an accounting principle for valuing the bank's deferred servicing rights for loans serviced by the bank for others. The method First Mutual had been using in applying this accounting principle is one that has been used for many years by the thrift industry.

The bank also announced in July that recent purchases by its Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) of 10.1% of First Mutual's outstanding common stock would reduce capital. First Mutual lent its ESOP $1.5 million and the ESOP purchased 139,600 shares of First Mutual's outstanding common stock. For reporting purposes, the ESOP purchases do not impact First Mutual's earnings; however, the bank's balance sheet does reflect the dollar amount of shares purchased by its ESOP since the purchase amount is charged directly against shareholder's equity in the quarter the purchases are made. The ESOP purchased $686,000 worth of stock in the second quarter of 1990 and $778,000 worth of stock in the third quarter of 1990.

Headquartered in Bellevue, First Mutual Savings Bank operates five full service branches in the Seattle metropolitan area known as the ''Greater Eastside.'' First Mutual's shareholder equity at June 30, 1990, was $14.6 million, book value was $10.47 per share, and the bank had total assets of $178.1 million.

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VENTURA, CALIF. (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Benton Oil and Gas Co. (OTC:BNTN) Thursday announced two new discoveries.

A new field has been discovered on its Chateau Prospect, located in Sacramento County in the southern Sacramento Basin. A new pool discovery has been made on its Montebello prospect, located near the city of Montebello on the northeast side of the prolific Los Angeles Basin.

The new field discovery well, the Benton Herzog 2-1, was drilled to a total depth of 8,400 feet and was completion-tested in the Upper Cretaceous Winters Formation. Perforations from 7,814 feet to 7,819 feet (of an estimated 34-foot pay zone) flowed at a stabilized rate of 870,000 cubic feet of gas per day, dry, on an 8/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 2,900 pounds per square inch.

Very little drawdown pressure was experienced during this 48-hour test indicating a highly permeable and prolific reservoir. Calculated absolute open flow exceeds 100 million cubic feet per day. Winters reservoirs in the area are commonly produced at rates exceeding 5 million cubic feet per day. Benton Oil and Gas operates the well on this approximately 1,760-acre prospect.

The new pool discovery well, the Benton Montebello 2-6 Redrill, was drilled to a total depth of 9,550 feet. The well was completed flowing through 120 feet of perforations in the Upper Miocene Yorba formation. Thirty-five API gravity oil flowed at the rate of 140 barrels of oil per day with approximately 65,000 cubic feet of gas per day on a 24/64 choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 150 pounds per square inch.

Oil and gas flow rates and pressures were continuing to improve when the test was terminated.

Numerous other shows were encountered in the well but not tested. These shows indicate potential zones which may offer promise for future development. Benton and its partners control approximately 200 acres on this prospect and geologic mapping indicates that numerous wells can be drilled updip to this significant new pool discovery. Trio Petroleum is the operator of this well.

Benton Oil and Gas, based in Ventura, is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with operations in California, Colorado, Oklahoma, Texas and Louisiana.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Inmac Corp. (NASDAQ:INMC), the world's leading direct response marketer of computer aftermarket data communications equipment and computer accessory products, Thursday announced net sales of $288,422,000, up 15.6 percent, for the year ended July 28 and net

income of $3,562,000, or 38 cents per share.

This compares with net sales of $249,515,000 and a net loss of $6,414,000, or 69 cents per share, last year. Last year's figures included a $12,251,000 pre-tax charge for restructuring of operations and other non-recurring items.

For the fourth quarter ended July 28, Inmac recorded net sales of $71,283,000, up 19.3 percent, and net income of $766,000, or 8 cents per share. This compares to net sales of $59,758,000 and a net loss of $9,179,000, or 99 cents per share, for last year's comparable quarter.

The company disclosed in recent news releases that the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 included pre-tax charges totaling $1,051,000 for the downsizing of its U.S. manufacturing operation and restructuring of its corporate overhead functions.

Inmac Corp. markets its products directly to microcomputer and minicomputer users in nine countries through its full color catalogs. The company offers over 4,000 items, substantially all of which carry the Inmac brand name.

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WEST PATERSON, NJ (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Prospect Park Financial Corporation (NASDAQ:PPSA), the parent company of Prospect Park Savings Bank, Thursday reported a net loss of $69,000, or $0.02 per share, for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended July 31, 1990. The recent results compared with net income of $1.1 million, or $0.39 per share, for the first three months of last fiscal year.

Prospect Park's net interest income was $3.4 million in the fiscal 1991 first quarter, compared with $4.4 million (after loan loss provision) in the same period of last year. This decrease was primarily related to the higher level of non-performing assets compared with the year-ago quarter.

Total other income was $736,000 in the recent three month period, versus $1.2 million in the year-ago first quarter. The decrease was mainly attributable to lower gains on sales of loans and securities, which amounted to $167,000 in the fiscal 1991 first quarter, compared with $724,000 in the same period of last year. This was partially offset by improvement in losses from real estate operations, which declined to $2,000 in the recent quarter from a $74,000 loss in the same fiscal 1990 period.

Operating expenses totaled $4.2 million and $3.8 million for the quarters ended July 31, 1990 and 1989, respectively. The increase was primarily related to an additional branch opened in March 1990, employee severance expense, and costs associated with non-performing loans and real estate owned. However, Mr. Frignoca noted that an aggressive cost cutting program, including decreases in executive compensation, reductions in staff positions, more economical health care benefits and other measures, is expected to sharply reduce expenses in future quarters.

The deposits of Prospect Park Savings Bank increased by 3.9% during the first quarter of fiscal 1991, to total $504.6 million. Loans receivable were $402.0 million at the end of the recent quarter, compared with $413.4 million at April 30, 1990. Total assets rose nominally to $545.5 million at July 31, 1990, from $543.8 million three months earlier.

Prospect Park Financial Corporation is the holding company for Prospect Park Savings Bank, SLA. The Bank, founded in 1926, operates eight full-service branches in Northern New Jersey. Its deposits are insured to the full extent of the law by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

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DENVER (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Bond International Gold Inc. (NYSE:BIG; TSE:BG) Thursday announced that it will phase out its Denver corporate office over the next nine months, with the exception of an exploration staff.

It is anticipated that the elimination of the office will result in significant cost savings without a corresponding reduction in management services. The company will enter into a mangement contract with LAC Minerals Ltd., which owns 65 percent of the company, to provide management services out of LAC's Toronto office.

Bond and LAC have had mutual officers since late 1989, when LAC acquired its interest in Bond, and several corporate departments have provided services to both companies.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - VIVRA Inc. announced Thursday that it has signed an agreement to purchase seven dialysis centers located in Virginia, West Virginia and Washington D.C. for $5 million.

The purchase is to be effective Oct. 1, 1990. This will bring to 103 the number of centers VIVRA operates.

VIVRA is a healthcare service company which owns and operates dialysis centers throughout the United States and a home health care business in California. The stock of VIVRA is traded on the New York Stock Exchange, symbol V.

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RALEIGH, NC (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Ron E. Doggett, chairman and chief executive officer of GoodMark Foods Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:GDMK), Thursday announced revenues for the first fiscal quarter ended Aug. 26, 1990, of $36,350,000, up 5 percent over revenues of $34,627,000 for the first quarter last year.

Net income for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was $466,000, or 11 cents per share, compared with net income of $1,322,000, or 30 cents per share, in the year-earlier period.

Doggett said: ''As we discussed in a preliminary release in August, we entered fiscal 1991 with a budget based on continued high meat costs, a planned increase in marketing expenses, and the expectation that sales would begin to grow at a faster pace.

GoodMark Foods is the nation's leading producer and marketer of meat snacks. The company is also a regional producer of packaged meat products, cookies, crackers, brownies and other snacks. Its principle brands include Slim Jim, Penrose, and Pemmican meat snacks; Jesse Jones packaged meats; A Whale Of A Snack cookies and crackers; Rachel's Brownies; and Andy Capp's snacks.

GoodMark Foods Inc.
Financial Highlights
Thirteen Weeks Ended

	9/26/90	9/27/89	Percent Change
Net sales	$36,350,000	$34,627,000	5.0
Income before income taxes	764,000	2,167,000	-64.7
Net income	$ 466,000	$ 1,322,000	-64.8

Net income per share	11 cents	30 cents	-63.3
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,302,000	4,396,000	- 2.1

Note to Editors: Slim Jim, Penrose, Pemmican, A Whale Of A Snack, Rachel's and Andy Capp's are registered trademarks.

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SAN DIEGO, CA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Alliance Pharmaceutical Corp. and Dana-Farber Cancer Institute Inc. announced that they have entered into a research support agreement to study the use of perfluorooctylbromide (PFOB) in tumor and metastasis control.

Cancerous tumors typically receive very little blood flow, and therefore little oxygen. Higher doses of radiation are required to kill poorly-oxygenated cells than are required to kill well-oxygenated cells.

Perfluorochemical emulsions have been shown to improve the tumor oxygenation both by serving as a carrier for oxygen and by increasing tumor blood flow. The research will generally focus on the anticancer potentiating effects of PFOB emulsions used in conjunction with radiation, hyperthermia and selected chemotherapeutic agents.

Under the terms of the agreement, Dana-Farber granted Alliance an option to obtain an exclusive license to practice any invention or discovery resulting from the research. Alliance estimates the potential U.S. market for the emulsion product to be approximately $150 million annually for this application.

Alliance is involved in the development, manufacturing and early-stage marketing of medical and pharmaceutical products. It is pursuing the commercial development of products in four fields of application: contrast agents for diagnostic imaging; oxygen-carriers, including for use as a temporary blood substitute; cell growth factors and regulators; and immunology products.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The Southland Corp. said Thursday that its previously announced exchange offers have been extended to expire at midnight New York time on Tuesday, Sept. 25, 1990, unless further extended.

The company also announced that Ito-Yokado Co. Ltd., Seven-Eleven Japan Co. Ltd. and Southland have mutually agreed to extend the termination date of their previously announced stock purchase agreement to Sept. 25, 1990.

As of midnight on Sept. 12, the following securities had been tendered: 13-1/2 percent Senior Extendible Reset Notes -- 92.67 percent, or $488,925,703 principal amount ($255,098,600 by guarantee); 15-3/4 percent Senior Subordinated Notes -- 67.65 percent, or $236,792,000 principal amount ($35,812,000 by guarantee); 16-1/2 percent Senior Subordinated Discount Notes -- 65.27 percent, or $262,540,000 principal amount ($89,634,000 by guarantee); 16-3/4 percent Subordinated Debentures -- 49.77 percent, or $248,873,000 principal amount ($67,482,000 by guarantee); 18 percent Junior Subordinated Discount Debentures -- 53.42 percent, or $39,155,000 principal amount ($10,340,000 by guarantee); and 15 percent Cumulative Exchangeable Preferred Stock -- 94.53 percent, or 13,050,054 shares (1,746,080 by guarantee).

Clark Matthews, Southland's chief financial officer, said: ''Over the past two weeks, we've succeeded in identifying the vast majority of Southland security-holders who have not yet tendered their securities. Over the next eight days, we will intensify our efforts to communicate with them, to explain the merits of the proposed restructuring and to urge them to tender their securities.''

Under the exchange offers, Southland bondholders and preferred stockholders are being offered new debt securities and approximately 25 percent of newly issued Southland common stock. Existing stockholders would retain approximately 5 percent of the Company's common stock, and, following consummation of the exchange offers, Ito-Yokado and Seven-Eleven Japan would purchase 70 percent of the stock for $430 million in cash.

In addition, Southland announced that the special meeting for holders of its preferred stock was adjourned to 10 p.m. Dallas time on Tuesday, Sept. 25, 1990, at 2711 North Haskell Avenue, Southland's headquarters in Dallas. Recordholders of preferred stock as of the close of business on July 13, 1990, will be eligible to vote at the meeting in person or by proxy.

If the exchange offers are extended again, the company intends to further postpone or adjourn the special meeting so that it will occur on the expiration date of the exchange offers.

This announcement does not constitute an offer to sell or to buy any security or the solicitation of any consents or proxies, which offers and consent or proxy solicitation shall only be made by means of a proxy statement/prospectus.

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MORRISTOWN, N.J. (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Network Systems Thursday won a $12 million dollar order to supply the Arab Republic of Egypt with its first two 5ESSR digital switches.

AT&T will deliver the switches to ARENTO, Egypt's National Telecommunications Organization.

Each of the 5ESS switches will have an initial capacity of 30,000 lines and will provide telephone service to highly populated areas of Cairo that have not had telephone service before. Installation of the switches is scheduled to be completed in September, 1991.

''We are gratified that ARENTO has selected AT&T Network Systems. Our selection was based on the proven quality and reliability of our digital switch and our demonstrated long-term commitment to the Arab Republic of Egypt '' said H.L. Cassady, Jr., AT&T Network Systems International Sales Vice-President. ''This is the latest chapter in a continuing and fruitful partnership between AT&T and ARENTO.''

AT&T has maintained an office in Cairo since 1979 and has, to date, installed over 300,000 lines of 1A electron- ic switching equipment in Egypt.

Other suppliers bidding on the contract were Northern Telecom of Ontario, Canada, and the National Account Management Group, Incorporated, of Maryland.

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CLINTON, NJ (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Foster Wheeler Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Foster Wheeler Corp., has been awarded a contract from Ontario Hydro for the design and manufacture of heat exchangers with an approximate value of $17 million (U.S.).

The eight Moderator Heat Exchangers are for Ontario Hydro's Bruce Nuclear Generating Station at Kincardine, Ontario. Work will begin immediately and shipments will be made between March 1992 and August 1993.

Foster Wheeler Limited, established in St. Catharines in 1926, is a designer, manufacturer and constructor of steam generator and utility head exchanger equipment.

Foster Wheeler Corp. is a worldwide organization offering a broad range of design, engineering, construction, manufacturing, management, real estate development and environmental services. The corporation's headquarters are at Clinton.

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ENGLEWOOD, N.J. (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Nutrition Inc. (NASDAQ:MENU) Thursday announced revenues and net income for the second quarter ended July 31, 1990.

Revenues were $315,500 and net income was $5,591 as compared to revenues of $1,073,343 and net income of $430,063 for the comparable period in 1989 and for the six months ended July 31, 1990 revenues were $926,285 and net income was $103,686 compared to revenues of $1,550,048 and net income of $533,249 for the comparable period.

Arnold M. Gans, president of Medical Nutrition, explained that ''the decline in both revenues and earnings in the current period and for the six months ended July 31, 1990 reflects in large part a one-time sale of approximately $610,000 of the company's non-prescription smoking cessation program 'Smo-quits' to Amway Corp. during the second quarter in 1989.''

The small decline in revenues from sale of weight loss foods was due principally to the adverse publicity surrounding the weight loss industry and in particular those programs emphasizing low calories and quick weight loss. Despite the decline in weight loss food sales during the first half of the year, Gans noted that the company's program emphasizing moderate weight loss with supporting clinical data is positioned to take advantage of the weight loass trends in the next decade.

Gans also announced that the company has entered into a letter of intent with Family Weight Loss Centers Inc. (FWLC) to acquire all of the issued and outstanding stock of FWLC for 900,000 shares of the company's common stock and the assumption of certain debt. FWLC operates 50 weight loss centers in 9 midwestern states.

For the year ended May 31, 1990, FWLC had revenues of approximately $8,500,000 and operating income of approximately $240,000. The acquisition is subject to the execution of a definitive agreement and appropriate approvals.

Gans stated the company is very excited about the potential synergy from the acquisition. The transaction, if completed, would enable the company to immediately increase the number of clinics utilizing its portion control medical foods and further provide it with the opportunity through these center to introduce new products.

In addition, Gans disclosed that the company had entered into a working arrangement with a medical device products company selling, among other products, a device to meadure body fat composition. The company has a 26 person sales marketing and distribution network and, to date, in excess of 1,700 physicians have purchased the device to measure body fat composition.

Gans noted that Medical Nutrition's portion control medical foods would complement that concern's products and that with an installed base of over 1,700 physicians this arrangement offers a significant potential for revenue generation for the company.

Medical Nutrition is engaged in the development and marketing of medically supervised weight management programs emphasizing disease prevention and health programs.

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BASKING RIDGE, N.J. (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T has the answer for shoppers looking for a convenient, hassle-free way to order almost anything by telephone: the 1991 edition of the AT&T Toll-Free 800 Directory.

Directory listings help consumers find toll-free numbers in categories ranging from the familiar, including airlines, florists and hotlines, to the unique, such as billiards, novelties and weather vanes.

AT&T 800 Service, introduced in 1967, handled more than eight billion calls last year. The popular guide to free calling has been issued annually since 1984 in separate versions for consumers and businesses. Together, this year's editions list some 200,000 toll-free numbers.

''AT&T's 800 service basically created the telemarketing industry, bringing the marketplace into the home and office,'' said Dave Williams, product manager for AT&T 800 Directories. ''Today's busy consumers expect to enjoy the ease and economy of placing free calls when they shop by phone.''

The consumer directory is being sent free to more than one million households and the business version, beginning in late September, will be sent to more than one million businesses.

AT&T 800 Service subscribers who choose to be listed receive alphabetical and Yellow Pages listings at no charge in the directory of their choice. They can also purchase additional listings and other advertising in the Yellow Pages section where companies and organizations are grouped by the type of goods or services offered. The directories also include a full-color advertising section.

The consumer edition sells for $9.95 and the business edition for $14.95, plus tax, shipping and handling. Bulk discounts for ordering 50 copies in any combination are $2.50 per copy for the consumer book and $3.50 for the business version, plus tax, shipping and handling. Orders may be placed by calling 1-800-426-8686. Directories also are available at AT&T Phone Centers.

AT&T 800 Service subscribers who want to be included in the next edition of the directories should call AT&T at 1-800-562-2255.

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SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The U.S. District Court for the district of Arizona has issued another decision favorable to Go-Video in its antitrust lawsuit against Japanese VCR manufacturers.

The court denied the defendants' request for a delay of trial and for reconsideration of their motion for summary judgement.

The court confirmed that Go-Video had presented sufficient evidence thus allowing the case to go to jury trial. As a result of their decision, the defendants will stand trial before a jury in Phoenix to answer Go-Video's charges that they have conspired in violation of federal antitrust laws to block the marketing of Go-Video's dual-deck VCR in the U.S.

''The court's affirmation of its July ruling is a significant victory for Go-Video,'' said Joseph Alioto of the law firm Alioto and Alioto, representing Go-Video. ''This ruling means that Go-Video will have the opportunity to present its case against the defendants before a jury. We are hopeful of

starting trial by the end of this year.''

''In a broader context, this ruling represents a victory for all American businesses,'' Alioto continued. ''Go-Video's challenge will be the first time an American company has brought the Japanese to trial on a major conspiracy charge.''

The defendants remaining in the case are Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd., (Panasonic, National), Victor Company of Japan Ltd. (JVC), Sony Corp., Sanyo Electric Co. Ltd., and NEC Corp.

Go-Video introduced its dual-deck VCR, the VCR-2, to consumers this summer. One of Popular Science magazine's 100 best new products of the year, the VCR-2 can play one tape while recording on another, duplicate tapes with incredible quality, edit from tape to tape, and record two different TV programs simultaneously. Other features include the exclusive HQ Copy circuitry, a 155-channel cable-ready tuner, multi-channel TV sound, an advanced remote control and on-screen programming.

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LITTLETON, MASS. (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Alliant Computer Systems Thursday announced the sale of its first parallel supercomputer to an Eastern Bloc country.

The Alliant supercomputer will be used by the University of Budapest in Hungary for mathematical computation and scientific research.

''This first sale of a parallel supercomputer to the University of Budapest underscores the dramatic economic and political changes which have occurred in the Eastern Bloc,'' said Kolja Kuse, an Alliant representative in W. Germany. ''These changes have enabled the university to acquire a leading supercomputer, and opened up a brand new market of countries eagerly seeking the advanced computing technologies of the west.''

According to Dr. Laszalo V. Franjo, professor of veterinary science, University of Budapest, the Alliant supercomputer will be shared primarily by four university departments. The chemistry department will perform molecular modeling research; the physiology department will conduct biological modeling; and the bio-mathematics and bio- statistics departments will use the system for mathematical computations.

The Alliant supercomputer will also be used to manage local area networking through an Ethernet connection to the Hungarian HUNINET network, which is

further connected to an international network. The long term goal of the University is to use the machine as a departmental supercomputer at the computational research center, ultimately providing supercomputing resources for other Hungarian universities.

Alliant Computer Systems Corp. manufactures standards-based parallel supercomputers with visualization tools that enable scientists and engineers to quickly interpret and solve complex problems.

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NORWALK, CT (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Alcide Corp. (NASDAQ:ALCD) Thursday announced that financial figures for the fiscal year ended May 31, showed net sales, including R&D income, were $2,714,268.

Net product sales were $2,592,098, a decrease of 12 percent from the previous fiscal year's $2,958,916.

The decrease in fiscal year 1990 sales was due primarily to a 13 percent decrease in dairy line products sales. Primarily loss per share was 7 cents per share, down from 10 cents for fiscal years ended May 1989 and May 1988.

Speaking for the board of directors, Thomas L. Kempner, chairman, stated that, ''sales comparisons with the prior year in the animal health product area tend to be misleading because our major distributor purchased substantial inventory in May of 1989 but made little or no product purchases in June, July or August of 1989, thereby inflating fourth quarter 1989 sales and deflating first quarter 1990 sales. The pattern of purchases in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 and the first quarter of 1991 should conform more closely to actual distribution demand.''

Kempner also stated that, ''We anticipate an encouraging trend in the financial picture of Alcide Corporation. Recent financial results of the company have improved considerably. Fourth quarter 1990 net sales were $905,851, slightly better than third quarter 1990 sales of $897,101, each greater than the entire first half's sales of $789,146. Further, the company anticipates that first quarter 1991 sales will increase substantially as compared with first quarter 1990 sales.''

Alcide Corp. develops and markets unique disinfecting systems based upon its patented technology. Current markets include the animal health, health care,

automotive and food-processing industries. Alcide Corp. has development/marketing agreements incorporating Alcide technology with The Procter & Gamble Co. for oral care products and with Ciba Vision Corp. for a contact lens disinfectant.

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ORANGE, CT (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Hubbell Inc. (AMEX) Thursday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 37 cents per share on the company's Class A and Class B common stock.

The dividend will be paid on Oct. 11, to shareholders of record on Sept. 24.

Hubbell Inc. is an international manufacturer of quality electrical and electronic products for commercial, industrial, utility, and telecommunications markets. With annual revenues exceeding $650 million, the company has compiled a 29-year record of consecutive annual increases in income from continuing operations. Hubbell Inc. operates manufacturing facilities in the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, Singapore, and the United Kingdom, and has its corporate headquarters in Orange, Conn.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - American Software (NASDAQ:AMSWA) announced Thursday a joint marketing agreement with Syntellect Inc. (NASDAQ:SYNL) of Phoenix.

Under this agreement, the company will offer AMSOFT Touch utilizing Syntellect's voice response technology.

American Software will offer Touch with basic gateway interfaces between their systems and Syntellect's INFOBOT(R) systems. Operating anywhere touch tone telephones are used, Touch transforms the telephone into the terminal and the screen for AMSOFT applications products.

Touch also operates with all applications not requiring terminals or screens, expediting information anad reducing the costs of such operations as sales orders and stores' parts entries, work-in-progress status, credit inquiries and general ledger account balances in addition to accounts payable approvals and inquiries.

Headquartered in Atlanta, American Software develops, markets and supports business application software for a wide range of industries including manufacturing, utilities, financial institutions, health care, telecommunications and distribution concerns.

CONTACT: American Software, Atlanta
Carla Watson, 404/264-5395

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DALLAS (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Interphase Corp. (NASDAQ:INPH) Wednesday announced record revenues of $7,501,278 for the third quarter of fiscal 1990, ending July 31.

Revenues were up from $7,184,331 for the previous quarter and $5,577,050 reported for the third quarter last year. Revenues for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 increased 38 percent to $19,945,105 compared to $14,418,041 for the same period last year.

The company incurred a net loss of $2,780,298, or 83 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990 as compared to a net profit of $177,375, or 3 cents per share, in the same quarter of fiscal 1989. The company's net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $3,999,813 as compared to a net profit of $223,300 for the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

The loss in the third quarter is due to a combination of losses from consolidating the operations of OMNI Solutions Inc. and a one-time write-off of assets associated with the decision to cease further operations at OMNI.

Interphase President Michael E. Cope stated, ''As announced earlier this month our third quarter figures reflect a one-time write-off of our investment in OMNI Solutions Inc. Interphase core business remained profitable during this period, and we expect to report a profit for the fourth quarter, ending Oct. 31.''

Interphase is a leading manufacturer of high performance network controllers, disk and tape controllers and SCSI host adapters for the VMEbus, EISA and Multibus markets, and the Sun Microsystems aftermarket.

Interphase Corp.
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations

	Three Months Ended April 30,		Nine Months Ended July 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$7,501,278	$5,577,050	$19,945,105	$14,418,041

Pretax Income (Loss)	(3,854,298)	159,378	(5,803,813)	306,803
Net Income (Loss)	(2,780,298)	117,375	(3,999,813)	223,300
Net Income (Loss) per common & common equivalent share	(83 cents)	3 cents	(1.20)	7 cents
Weighted average common & common equivalent shares	3,334,064	3,381,816	3,332,413	3,058,529

CONTACT: Interphase Corp., Dallas
Mark A. Floyd, 214/919-9000

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Amoco Production Co. said Thursday that a subsidiary, Amoco Eurasia Petroleum Co., has signed a protocol with the state gas business concern of the U.S.S.R., which could lead to development of petroleum resources in the soviet union.

The protocol provides an opportunity for Amoco, following the completion of a preliminary study, to conduct a detailed study of the technical and economic feasibility of developing and producing several fields in western Siberia in cooperation with soviet organizations. The protocol also enumerates many of the guiding principles which would be incorporated in an eventual joint venture agreement.

Amoco believes that the oil and gas resource potential of the fields is significant, according to Robert L. Blanton, president of Amoco Eurasia.

''Amoco technology and expertise in drilling, well completion and production practices should enhance the commercial potential of these fields,'' Blanton said. ''Our objective is economic development of these fields in a manner which is consistent with environmental concern and recognizes the interests of the local native population.''

The protocol was signed in Moscow by V. S. Chernomyrdin, chairman of the State Gas Business Concern, and by Blanton, representing Amoco. This protocol is the most recent in a series of protocols resulting from discussions on this project which were initiated in July 1989.

Amoco also is engaged in ongoing discussions with several Soviet organizations concerning petroleum exploration and development in other areas of the U.S.S.R. Amoco has been discussing potential joint venture opportunities with Soviet officials since early 1988.

Amoco Production Co. is the worldwide petroleum exploration and production subsidiary of Amoco Corp.

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Mike Thompson, 312/856-5566
C. T. Geary, 312/856-5388

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DALLAS (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Publishers Equipment Corp. Thursday announced a net loss of ($1,993,000) for the second quarter of 1990 on revenues of $28,703,000.

These results compare to net income of $634,000 on revenues of $15,238,000 for the second quarter of 1989. Net loss for the first six months of 1990 totalled ($3,152,000), compared to net income of $966,000 for the first half of 1989.

Publishers Equipment Corp.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ending June 30,		Six Months Ending June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$28,703	$15,238	$46,157	$27,691
Net income	$(1,993)	$ 634	$(3,152)	$ 966
Earnings (loss) per common share	$ (.42)	$ .14	$ (.66)	$ .22
Average shares outstanding	4,774,722	4,385,003	4,766,408	4,383,167

In announcing the second quarter results, Evans Kostas, chairman and chief executive officer, cited the continued slow-down in the printing equipment markets served by the company and noted that the company is taking appropriate steps to reduce operating expenses.

Publishers Equipment Corp., a Dallas, Texas based public company, specializes in the design, manufacture, and marketing of web-fed presses and associated auxiliary equipment through its subsidiaries Motter Corp., King Press Corp., Solna Web AB and Solna Web, Inc.

CONTACT: Publishers Equipment Corp., Dallas
Roger R. Baier, 214/931-2312.

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SAVANNAH, GA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Savannah Electric and Power Co. (NYSE:SAVPrA) Thursday declared a quarterly dividend of

$.59375 per share on its 9.5 percent preferred stock.

Dividends are payable Oct. 15 to shareholders of record Sept. 28.

CONTACT: Savannah Electric and Power Co., Savannah
Corporate Communications, 912/238-2267

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#90256b0761 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire

BASKING RIDGE, NJ (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Thursday announced that it is setting up a service that will enable family and friends of American military personnel serving in the Middle East as part of Operation Desert Shield to send facsimile greetings to the troops free of charge.

AT&T will begin accepting messages Sept. 21 at its 400 Phone Centers.

AT&T is offering free use of its network to transmit letters and drawings one-way to troops in the Mideast as part of a morale-boosting effort it calls DESERT FAX. The duration of the free DESERT FAX service will depend on several factors, including cost, volume of messages and benefits to military personnel and their families.

Because the fax messages will be sent electronically, the time required to reach their destinations will be significantly reduced.

''DESERT FAX will provide a quick and easy way for family and friends to send a half-page home leave to U.S. service people in Operation Desert Shield,'' said Robert Dalziel, AT&T vice president -- Global Networks. ''We are honored to be providing this service in full cooperation with the military postal service.''

A facsimile or fax machine takes an ordinary printed page and translates it into electronic signals that are sent through the phone network and reprinted by a distant facsimile machine.

With AT&T's Enhanced FAX Service, messages are stored electronically within the AT&T network, then transmitted at high speed to one or more designated fax machines.

After the fax messages are sent from the Phone Centers to the Mideast, the military postal service will deliver the messages to service people in Operation Desert Shield at regular mail calls.

The concept for DESERT FAX was proposed by Sen. Alan Cranston (D-Calif.) as a means of bolstering the morale of troops in the Mideast. When AT&T completes final testing of equipment next week, the service will have progressed from concept to start-up in only about two weeks.

The special fax forms that AT&T will provide at Phone Centers will not be available there until Sept. 21. People wil fill in the forms with the name of a person stationed in the Mideast, the APO/FPO address, and the person's military identification number. A designated space for a written message or drawing occupies three-fourths of the form. Without a valid APO/FPO address, the AT&T Phone Centers will not be able to accept and send messages. The addresses of AT&T Phone Centers can be obtained by calling 1-800-555-8111, Ext. 36.

EDITORS'S NOTE: In any article you print, please be sure to include the information that the Phone Centers will not accept fax forms until Sept. 21.

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Mike Miller, 201/953-7139 (office) or 201/879-4212 (home)
Rick Wallerstein, 201/953-7911 (office) or 201/771-9570 (home)

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#90256b0762 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire

CANTON, MA - (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Instron Corp. (ASE:ISN) said Thursday that Stephen G. Rabinovitz, as general partner of Cenith Partners L.P., claiming to be a shareholder of Instron, has filed suit against the company, purportedly on behalf of all shareholders of the company as a class, in the Superior Court for Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

The suit purports to seek a declaration that the plaintiff and the class are entitled to the issuance of right certificates under the company's shareholder rights plan, and have the right to exercise such right certificates for the purchase of stock at a discount from market value.

The company noted its previous announcement that no right certificates should or will be issued pursuant to the shareholder rights plan in response to a previous demand of Cenith Partners. The company also stated that it expects to defend the lawsuit vigorously.

Instron Corp. is a leading producer of instruments and systems for advanced materials testing.

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#90256b0764 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire

DANVERS, MA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Notice is hereby given to all holders of record as of Sept. 20, 1990, that a dividend of 7-1/2 cents per share will be payable on Oct. 1, 1990.

Selecterm Inc. is a Massachusetts corporation providing computer maintenance services and computer products nationally. For information about Selecterm Inc., please contact the office of Mr. David Gravel.

CONTACT: Seleterm Inc., Danvers
David Gravel, 508/777-5202

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#90256b0792 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire

KINGSTON, NY (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - BESICORP GROUP INC. (NASDAQ:BESI), announced Thursday results for the fiscal year ending May 31.

Revenues were $4,905,435 compared to $2,377,494 for the year ending May 31, 1989. Net loss for the year was $851,092 as compared to a net loss of $970,448 for the year ending May 31, 1989.

According to Besicorp President, Michael F. Zinn, ''During Fiscal 1990, Besicorp continued to add value to its power project portfolio. We have substantial ownership of power projects, with 36 megawatts operating, 100 megawatts under construction, and 470 additional megawatts under development. Our near term reported results do not, in the opinion of management, reflect on our long term values. We feel completely comfortable with our strategy of development of long lead time power generating projects.''

BESICORP GROUP INC.
Financial Highlights
Year ending May 31,

	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 4,905,435	$ 2,377,494
Net income (loss)	(851,092)	(970,448)
Per common share net income (loss)	(.06)	(.07)
Weighted number of shares outstanding (in thousands)	17,886	17,559

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Sharon B. Anderson, 914/338-8400

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - As reported on Sept. 4, Sanifill Inc. (ASE:FIL) completed five acquisitions, four of which will be accounted for as poolings-of-interests requiring the restatement of previously reported consolidated results as follows (in thousands except earnings per share).

	For the six months ended June 30,		For the year ended Dec. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$19,377	$12,923	$29,392	$23,674
Earnings from Continuing operations	3,409	1,446	3,859	2,343
Net income	3,409	(388)	2,025	1,457
Earnings per share:				
Continuing operations	$ 0.37	$ 0.17	$ 0.44	$ 0.27
Net income	$ 0.37	$ (0.04)	$ 0.23	$ 0.17

One of the acquired companies discontinued its aggregate crushing and washing operations in June 1989. A plan of liquidation was adopted anticipating completion of the phase out of the aggregate business in 1990. Sanifill has terminated negotiations on a previously announced letter of intent.

Sanifill Inc., headquartered in Houston, is an environmental services company specializing in nonhazardous waste disposal.

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Al Warrington or John Sanders, 713/865-9800

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#90256b0802 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire

BIRMINGHAM, AL (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Birmingham Steel Corp. (NYSE:BIR) Thursday announced that the company's board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.125 (twelve and one-half cents) per share payable Oct. 24, 1990, to stockholders of record on Oct. 10, 1990.

Birmingham Steel operates steel mini-mills producing steel and steel products, primarily reinforcing bar, and is the largest U.S. manufacturer of steel roof support systems used in underground coal mining. The common stock of Birmingham Steel Corp. is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ''BIR.''

CONTACT: Birmingham Steel Corp., Birmingham
Phillip E. Casey, 205/985-9290 ext. 245.

-30- 889
#90256b0803 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire

LYNBROOK, NY (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of First Central Financial Corp. (ASE:FCC), in accordance with its previously announced dividend program, has declared a dividend of 2-1/2 cents (($.025) per share of the company's common stock payable Nov. 13 to shareholders of record at the

close of business on Oct. 23.

First Central Financial Corp. underwrites property and casualty insurance through its wholly owned, A-rated subsidiary, First Central Insurance Co.

CONTACT: First Central Financial Corp., Lynbrook
Ralph Sapperstein, 516/593-7070 ext. 264
or
Monaghan Communications, New York
Jean E. Monaghan, 212/473-3466

-30- 846

#90256b0811 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire

AGOURA HILLS, CA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Electronic Clearing House Inc. (NASDAQ:ECHO) Thursday announced the sale of 1,000 Electronic Banker Series 9 systems to American Express Integrated Payment Systems.

The initial order is in excess of one half a million dollars, said Don Anderson, president of Electronic Clearing House.

The systems are comprised of a transaction processing terminal and a proprietary printer designed and manufactured by its wholly-owned subsidiary, Computer Based Controls (CBC).

The systems, which have been specifically designed to print and dispense American Express money orders automatically, will be delivered to American Express Integrated Payment Systems over the next four months.

Electronic Clearing House and its manufacturing subsidiaries provide credit card and check guarantee processing services to some 3,200 merchants, primarily in California. It also designs and manufactures point-of-sale equipment for various other financial and industrial purposes.

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Don Anderson, 818/706-8999

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#90256b0815 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire

WALTHAM, MA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Cambex Corp. Thursday reduced list prices by approximately 30 percent on its line of central and expanded memory storage systems used with IBM System/3090 mainframe computers.

The move lowers the price of a 64-megabyte module of Cambex STOR/9000 central storage from $290,000 to $190,000 and a 64-megabyte unit of STOR/9000 expanded storage from $105,000 to $75,000. STOR/9000 products compete with IBM devices that enable users of IBM's largest computers to expand memory capacities to

handle additional workloads and functions.

The price reduction responds to a recent IBM pricing action, to the historical pattern of memory manufacturing costs which tend to decline at a predictable rate each year, and to the increasing use of more cost-effective four megabit memory devices, especially in central memory units, the company said. Cambex introduced the four-megabit memory chips in March in its central storage units and IBM did so two weeks ago.

''By making price adjustments at this time, both IBM and Cambex are bringing new pricing stability to the market as well as stimulating customer demand,'' Joseph F. Kruy, Cambex president, stated.

''Cambex's new prices allow it to maintain a 25 percent or more price advantage over IBM,'' Kruy stated. The company has shipped over 25 billion bytes of STOR/9000 products to IBM System/3090 users in the past two years.

Cambex Corp., a publicly held company headquartered in Waltham, Mass., has designed and manufactured memory storage systems for five generations of IBM mainframes during the past 20 years.

CONTACT: Cambex, Waltham
Lynne Murray, 617/890-6000

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#90256b0820 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire

RALEIGH, NC (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - First Citizens BanchShares Inc. has received final regulatory approval to acquire Catawba SavShares Inc., the parent company of Mutual Savings and Loan Association, based in Charlotte.

The acquisition is expected to be finalized Oct. 1, according to James B. Hyler Jr., First Citizens BancShares president, who made the announcement Thursday. He said that First Citizens currently plans to operate Mutual Savings and Loan as a separate thrift entity.

Mutual Savings and Loan has assets of approximately $250 million and operates six offices in Charlotte and one in Matthews.

Hyler said the acquisition of Mutual would provide an excellent business opportunity for First Citizens. ''Mutual is North Carolina's oldest and one of its most respected savings and loan institutions, with an extremely well positioned branch network in one of the primary growth markets of the Southeast,'' he said.

First Citizens BancShares Inc. is the parent company of First Citizens Bank, a $3.8 billion statewide financial institution that operates 303 offices in 159 North Carolina towns and cities.

CONTACT: First Citizens BancShares, Raleigh
Noel McLaughlin, 919/755-2716

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#90256b0823 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Gary L. Tooker, president and COO of Motorola Inc., Schaumburg, Ill., has been elected 1991 chairman of the board of directors of the American Electronics Association (AEA).

The action was taken here today at the national technology trade group's board of directors meeting.

Also elected were Robert G. Gilbertson, secretary, and Arnold N. Silverman, treasurer. Gilbertson is president and CEO, Data Switch Corp., and Silverman is chairman of ICOT Corp. J. Richard Iverson of McLean, Va., was re-elected the association's president and CEO.

Michael E. McQuade was re-elected AEA senior vice president. William H. Phillips Jr., John J. Baumeister, Michael T. Elliott, John B. Hatch, Pat Hill Hubbard, William K. Krist, John F. Mancini and John P. Stern were re-elected vice presidents.

In addition to Tooker, Iverson, Gilbertson and Silverman, the 1991 AEA executive committee will include 1990 AEA Chairman Mitchell E. Kertzman, president and CEO of Powersoft Corp.; Alexander C. Stark, senior vice president, AT&T; Ronald Rosenzweig, president and CEO, Anadigics; and John M. Fluke Jr., chairman, John Fluke manufacutring Co. Inc.

The American Electronics Association is the nation's leading electronics trade group, representing some 3,500 companies in high technology centers throughout the United States. For almost half a century, AEA has been the accepted voice of the U.S. electronics industry.

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John B. Hatch, 202/682-4430
408/987-4232 (messages)

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#90256b0836 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire

VALHALLA, NY (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - ComponentGuard Inc.'s common stock and publicly traded warrants will continue to be included for quotation in the National Association of Securities Dealer's Automated Quotations System (NASDAQ) via an exception from the Capital and Surplus requirements.

While ComponentGuard Inc. failed to meet this requirement as of April 30, the

NASD has granted a temporary exception from this standard subject to ComponentGuard Inc. meeting certain conditions.

While the company believes that it can meet these conditions, there can be no assurance that it will do so. If at some future date the company's securities should cease to be quoted on the NASDAQ System, they should continue to be quoted in the over-the-counter market. For the duration of the exception the company's NASDAQ Symbol for the common stock will be PLUGC and for the warrants will be PLUWC.

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or
Market Makers, Santa Barbara, Calif.,
Jimmy Caplan, 805/569-6919

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#90256b0847 09/13/1990 ~Business Wire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Proler International Corp. (NYSE:PS) Thursday reported results for the second quarter and six months ended July 31, 1990.

The board of directors also declared a regular quarterly cash dividend in the amount of 13 cents per share payable Oct. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990.

For the second quarter ended July 31, 1990, consolidated net sales were $32,427,134 compared with sales of $28,112,457 for the second quarter ended July 31, 1989. Consolidated net earnings were $83,863, or 2 cents per share, compared with $4,097,660, or 87 cents per share, for the second quarter last year.

Proler's share of pre-tax earnings from joint operations for the second quarter was $1,961,558 compared with $5,134,461 the year-earlier quarter.

For the six months ended July 31, 1990, net sales were $56,250,229 compared with $55,809,027 in the same period a year ago. Net income was $535,417, or 12 cents per share, compared with $7,499,243, or $1.59 per share, last year. Proler's share of pre-tax earnings from joint operations for the six months was $4,168,383 compared with $8,651,772 for the same period last year.

Commenting on the results, Herman Proler, chairman of the board, said, ''The lower earnings in the first half of fiscal 1991 compared with the year-earlier period were primarily attributable to lower sales prices received for the company's principal products in both domestic and international markets.

''Sales prices during August and September have shown improvement from the

second quarter. We are optimistic that this improvement will continue and result in improved profitability for the third quarter.''

Proler International Corp. is an environmental company primarily involved with recovering, recycling and processing ferrous and non-ferrous metals for shipment to domestic and foreign users.

Through eighteen processing plants operated either directly or through joint ventures, Proler is a leading provider of high quality raw materials to industrial users.

The company's non-ferrous operations produce reusable premium quality non-ferrous scrap, including copper, brass, aluminum, stainless steel and nickel alloy. Premium grade steel scrap from its state of the art detinning operations is sold to the steel and foundry industries and tin is sold for use in many different industrial applications.

Proler also distributes new prime and used line pipe and off-spec pipe for a wide range of industrial and commercial uses. The common stock of Proler is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol PS.

CONTACT: Proler International Corp., Houston
   David W. Sonnier, 713/675-2281

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     #90256c0002 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:36 that trade in Chyron Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol CHY.

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     #90256c0003 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 11:

Creative Technologies Corp. (CRTV)
Rocky Mountain Helicopters Inc. (RMHI)

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     #90256c0004 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 12:

Dreyers Grand Ice Cream Inc. (DRYRV); insufficient number of regular market makers - security never quoted (stk div)

The following issues were deleted Sept. 12 because of an insufficient number of active market makers:

Empire State Life Insurance Co. (ESLI)
Management Co. Entertainment Group Inc. - Class B Wts. (MCELE)
Omnitec Inc. (OTEC)

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 11:

Quantum Chemical Corp. - 6% Exch. Sub. Dbs. Due 2011 (CUECG); Co. request - capital and surplus below minimum

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#90256c0005 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 13:

Schield Management Co. (SMCCC) to (SMCDC) (1 for 5 rev split)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 12:

L.A. Entertainment Inc. (LAET) to (LAETE)
Summa RX Laboratories Inc. (SMRX) to (SMRXE)
Universal Security Instruments Inc. (USECE) to (USEC)

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#90256c0006 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Chyron Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CHY. Trading was resumed at 10:05.

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#90256c0008 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows NEC Corp.(TICKER: NIPN) earned $539,36 million, or $0.33 per share, on revenues of $22.18 billion for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with a total profit of Y64,477, or Y40.87 per share, on revenues of Y3,126,764 (figures reported in millions of Japanese yen except for in earnings per share).

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#90256c0009 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Royalpar Industries Inc.(TICKER: ROYL) on Aug. 27, 1990, agreed to a settlement between the company and William J. Smith, formerly president and chief executive officer of Royalpar.

Smith has agreed to act as a consultant to Chase Adams Inc. until Aug. 27, 1991.

In consideration for his services, Royalpar has agreed to to pay Smith $8,500 per month, and in exchange, Smith has agreed to relinquish all rights he had to acquire additional shares of the company's common stock under a plan of reorganization dated June 28, 1989.

Additionally, on Aug. 28, 1990, Royalpar's board of directors approved in principle the merger of the company into a wholly-owned subsidiary of Raycomm Transworld Industries Inc.

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#90256c0010 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows UST Corp.'s (USTB) wholly-owned subsidiary, UST Savings Bank, F.S.B. acquired on Sept. 7, 1990 certain assets and liabilities from the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) of Home Owners Savings Bank, F.S.B. in Burlington, Massachusetts.

This included 17 former Home Owners branches in eastern Massachusetts with aggregate deposits of approximately $1.9 billion.

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#90256c0011 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Farmer & Lang Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Daylight Industries Inc. (TICKER: STON), on Aug. 23, 1990, received 216,000 shares of Daylight's common stock from Robert B. Lang in exchange for certain assets.

As a result of this exchange, Harry W. Farmer, stockholder and director and chief executive officer of Daylight, and William D. Moorhead III, president, now are in a position to control the management and policy decisions of Daylight Industries.

Additionally, on Aug.23, 1990, Daylight entered into an agreement and plan of corporate separation and reorganization with Farmer & Lang Inc., Lang Asset Management Inc. and Robert B. Lang.

Terms of the plan require Daylight to transfer certain assets of Farmer & Lang Inc. (including Lang's current clients and certain of its liabilities) into a

separate corporation (Lang Asset Management Inc.).

The transfer is for Robert B. Lang in exchange for all of Lang's stock in Daylight.

Daylight retains Farmer & Lang, with its name changed to Farmer & Associates Inc., to pursue its own plan.

Assets transferred to Lang Asset Management include cash, prepaid expenses, accounts and notes receivable, certain office equipment and furnishings and client files and listings.

Liabilities include a line of credit with Chattachoochee Bank, all accounts payable and payroll taxes.

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#90256c0012 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 4, 1990, Media Development Industries Inc.'s(TICKER: MDIL) principal accountants, Peterson, Siler & Stevenson, resigned.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

M. Bernstein, C.P.A., P.C., was approved by the board of directors as the company's new accountant.

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#90256c0013 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 20, 1990, the Superior Court for the State of New Jersey issued an Order for Seizure and Restraints against Grayhound Electronics.

The Order was issued against the company in connection with a Complaint issued against the Chairman of the Company, Carmen Ricci, by the State of New Jersey, Court Docket Number C-OC7205, 06, 07, 08-90. The Complaint, which does not name the Company, accuses Mr. Ricci of engaging in or promoting certain gambling-related and racketeering charges.

Please note: It was earlier reported that the Court has seized certain issues. That information is incorrect. Comtex regrets the error.

-30- 878
#90256c0014 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows James Madison Ltd.(TICKER: JML) will not contest the decision by the U.S. Department of the Treasury to terminate the participation of one of its banking subsidiaries, United Bank of Washington, from the Treasury Department's Minority Bank Deposit Program.

The company had previously stated its intention to contest the determination.

United National is still minority-managed, but no longer minority-owned.

-30- 651
#90256c0016 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows United Satellit/America Inc.(TICKER: SAMI) agreed on June 30, 1990 to a plan of reorganization whereby it would acquire all the outstanding stock of Great Plains Cable TV Inc. (GPC)

In the arrangement, 3,000 shares of GPC would be exchanged for 350,000 convertible shares of United's $9 Series C Cumulative convertible preferred stock.

This would make GPC a wholly-owned subsidiary of United.

-30- 636
#90256c0017 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Ampal-American Israel(TICKER: AMPL) and Bank Hapoalim B.M. agreed Aug. 14, 1990 that the bank would acquire substantially all of Ampal's loan portfolios of three of its industrial banking subsidiaries in Israel.

-30- 446
#90256c0018 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Nissan Motor Co. Ltd.(TICKER: NSAN) earned $734 million, or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $35.73 billion for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of Y114,625 on revenues of Y4.81 billion for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1989 (figures reported in Japanese yen).

-30- 515
#90256c0019 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:53 that trade in

Philadelphia Suburban Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol PSC.

-30- 334

#90256c0020 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:59 that trade in Telzon (NASDAQ: TLZN) has been resumed. The first sale was 10 3/8; up 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 327

#90256c0021 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:16 that trade in Hilton Hotels Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol HLT.

-30- 317

#90256c0022 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Trustbank Savings F.S.B.(TICKER: TRBK), earned $2.03 million, or $0.40 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $2.16 million, or $0.43 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 452

#90256c0024 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Integrated Resources American Insured Mortgage Investors(TICKER: AIMB) earned $2.48 million, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $5.23 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $4.63 million, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $5.48 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 554

#90256c0025 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Unity Healthcare Holding Co. Inc.(TICKER: UNTY) lost $2.78 million, or $0.43 per share, on revenues of $4.12 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total profit of $2,706, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.12 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 525
#90256c0026 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Novell Inc.(TICKER: NOVL) earned $26.15 million, or $0.38 per share, on revenues of $131.14 million for the quarter ended July 28, 1990.

This compares with a total profit of $11.78 million, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $101.77 million for the quarter ended July 29, 1989.

-30- 500
#90256c0027 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that on Sept. 5, 1990, Atrix (TICKER: ATRX) dismissed Pannell, Kerr, Forster of Denver as the company's certified public accountant.

The company appointed Deloitte & Touche of Denver as its principal accountant, on Sept. 5, 1990.

-30- 435
#90256c0028 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Medical Imaging Centers of America (TICKER: MIKA) on Aug. 30, 1990, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, MICA Imaging Inc., acquired magnetic resonance imaging equipment from, and the exclusive right to provide, MRI equipment on a fee-per-use basis in the future, to IDE Diagnostic Imaging Associates, a New York general partnership of 16 radiologists.

MICA paid IDE $6.70 million in cash and issued a two-year warrant to purchase 50,000 shares of MICA common stock at $12.68 per share.

MICA estimates that by Dec. 31, 1990, its total investment in this transaction will be approximately $11 million.

-30- 848
#90256c0029 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Robert D. McFarlane, president and chief operating officer of Scientific Software - Intercomp Inc.(TICKER: SSFT), resigned his position for personal reasons effective Sept. 1, 1990.

E.A. Breitenbach, a founder of Scientific and chairman of the board and chief executive officer, assumed the vacant position effective Sept. 1, 1990.

-30- 565
#90256c0030 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Philadelphia Suburban Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol PSC. Trading was resumed at 12:47.

-30- 366
#90256c0032 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Aerial Acquisitions Inc. entered an agreement on Aug. 24, 1990 with Edward M. Long, Robert Tierney, George Money and Jay Rutherford to issue 132.40 million shares of its common stock in exchange for 47.45 million shares of the restricted common stock of Ultra Shield Products International Inc.

These shares were collectively owned by the above-mentioned parties.

Additionally, Long transferred to Ultra Shield 30 million of his 32 million restricted shares of common stock of Aerial for the sum of $50,000.

Long then resigned as an officer of Aerial. Tierney was elected as chief executive officer, president and a director of Aerial.

Money was elected vice president and a director of Aerial, and Rutherford was elected a vice president and director.

The percentage of voting securities of Aerial now owned directly or indirectly by Tierney, Money and Rutherford is 80%.

-30- 1109
#90256c0035 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California approved on Aug. 27, 1990, the plan of reorganization filed by Maxon Industries Inc.(TICKER: MAXN).

Maxon filed for reorganization March 9, 1990, and under the company's plan of reorganization, Maxon will pay the general unsecured trade claims in full, with interest, at the rate of 5% per annum over five years or less, or if the claims are paid in four years, without interest.

General unsecured product liability insurance claims will be funded by semi-annual deposits of $26,300 until all allowed claims have been paid in full.

Not more than three persons may contribute to the capital of Maxon not less than $250,000 in exchange for all new equity securities of the company.

-30- 959
#90256c0036 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows US WATS INC. has undergone a change in control as a result of a merger Aug. 10, 1990.

US WATS had 535,000 shares of one class of common stock issued and outstanding out of 20 million shares of one class of common stock authorized.

Anna Rozzi owned 250,000 shares, or 46.7% of the 535,000 shares outstanding.

Richard Rozzi owned 250,000 shares, or 46.7% of the 535,000 outstanding shares.

Anna Rozzi contributed 250,000 shares to treasury and now does not own any shares.

Richard Rozzi continues to own 250,000 shares, but resigned as secretary and treasurer of US WATS.

As a result of the merger and in conversion of their shares of the constituent corporation with and into the company, Aaron R. Brown owns 3.10 million shares (30.1%); Stephen J. Parker owns 3.10 million shares (30.1%); Murray Goldberg owns 1.83 million shares (17.8%); and Sol Cohn owns 920,000 shares, or 8.9%.

Brown, Parker and Donald P. Flynn comprise the board of directors, since the resignation of the Rozzis from the board Aug. 10, 1990.

Brown is president and treasurer, and Stephen Parker is secretary of US WATS.

-30- 1339
#90256c0039 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:14 that trade in Rastra Building Systems Inc.(NASDAQ: RAST) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 1/2, 9/16. The company is located in Riverside, CA.

-30- 366
#90256c0040 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:19 that trade in Applied Biosystems Inc.(NASDAQ: ABIO) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 8 1/4. The company is located in Foster City, CA.

-30- 352
#90256c0041 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:58 that trade in Applied Biosystems Inc.(NASDAQ: ABIO) has been resumed. The first sale was 8 1/4; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 354
#90256c0042 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 12, 1990, the purchaser sent a letter to Kansas Gas & Electric (TICKER: KSGE) expressing appreciation for allowing the purchaser access to non public information.

-30- 391
#90256c0047 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

ENTWISTLE COMPANY OF HUDSON, MA OWNS 151,400 SHARES (10.30%) OF ESPEY MFG & ELECTRONICS CORP (TICKER: ESP) OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 10, 1990, The Entwistle Co. sold 68,000 shares of Espey MFG & Electronics Corp.'s common stock at a price of $15.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 543
#90256c0048 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 11, 1990, Mrs. Collins ceased to own any shares. On Sept. 6, 1990, Mrs. Collins contributed 116,400 shares of class B stock to the capital of WG B LP of which she was a general partner. On Sept. 10, 1990, Mrs. Collins was removed as a general partner of the partnership and received from the partnership $1,047,600 in cash, representing her capital contribution to the partnership.

-30- 620

#90256c0051 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - Congressional banking leaders are seeking the swift passage of legislation giving the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. a free reign to boost premiums it charges to banks to keep the nation's bank insurance fund at safe levels.

House Banking Committee Chairman Henry Gonzalez's (D-Texas) declaration today that he was introducing legislation to "increase deposit insurance premiums as much as necessary to keep the fund solvent" comes one day after his Senate counterpart, Democrat Donald Riegle, issued a similar call.

These moves follow reports from the General Accounting Office on Tuesday and the Congressional Budget Office yesterday that the bank insurance fund is under severe stress.

The GAO said a recession or a single large bank failure could be enough to deplete the fund and the CBO forecasts the FDIC will spend $30 billion to $35 billion through 1993 to pay for 631 bank failures.

A number of factors including depressed real estate prices, highly leveraged portfolios, and loans to Third World nations resulted in a record number of bank failures which saw the FDIC fund fall 28 percent from $18.3 billion in 1987 to $13.2 billion at the end of 1989 leaving its ratio of reserves to deposits at an all-time low of 70 cents per $100 of deposits.

The Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of of 1989 (FIRREA) has set a minimum reserve ratio of $1.25 per $100 of deposits by 1995 but the GAO and CBO believe this target is unreachable without increasing bank assessment fees above current law. The FDIC has already proposed to raise annual bank assessments from 12 cents per $100 of deposits to 19.5 cents per $100, the maximum allowed under FIRREA.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, appearing this morning before the House Banking Committee, confirmed the federal deposit insurance system is facing difficulties but said there is no cause for alarm.

Rep. Chalmers Wylie (R-Ohio) used the description "under stress but no reason

to panic" to characterize the fund and Greenspan replied, "I would certainly agree with that phraseology."

Greenspan said comparing this situation to the thrift industry, in which taxpayers are facing a minimum $130 billion in costs to bail out failed savings and loan institutions, is unfounded.

"The major difference is capital balance in banks is signficantly higher than in thrifts," Greenspan said. "If you look at the similar economic environment, failure rates among banks are smaller than thrifts. This says the chances of having the types of problems were having with thrifts is significantly lower."

Gonzalez said he will introduce a "comprehensive bill on deposit insurance reform" before Congress adjourns next month and has scheduled a series of hearings on the topic over the next three weeks.

-30- 3085
#90256c0052 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G. THOMPSON OF 204 SCHERER ST, LAS VEGAS, NV 89128, HAS FILED TO SELL 1,370,000 SHARES OF CELESTA CORP. THROUGH G K SCOTT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 11, 1990.

(CELESTA CORP. TEL: 702 878-2443)

-30- 380
#90256c0053 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.D. FRAME OF 934 LONGVIEW DR, SUGARLAND, TX 77478, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,000 SHARES OF DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. (TICKER: DREAf) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 11, 1990.

(DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. TEL: 403 463-2065)

-30- 423
#90256c0054 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERIC F HYDEN OF 2200 CANTERBURY, FORT WORTH, TX 76107, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,999 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 387
#90256c0055 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GREGORY E PETSCH OF P O BOX 692000, HOUSTON, TX 77269, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,825 SHARES OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ) THROUGH OLDE DISCOUNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 713 370-0670)

-30- 418
#90256c0057 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD LESSER OF 65 POKONOKET AVE, SUDBURY, MA 01776, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,500 SHARES OF TJX COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: TJX) THROUGH GRUNTAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(TJX COMPANIES INC. TEL: 508 390-1000)

-30- 402
#90256c0058 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES R TOLONEN OF 16 FOOTHILL PLACE, PLEASANTON, CA 94566, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF NOVELL INC. (TICKER: NOVL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(NOVELL INC. TEL: 801 379-5900)

-30- 393
#90256c0059 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MILFORD TRADING LTD OF 601 WYTHE ST #202, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(CEL-SCI CORP. TEL: 703 549-5293)

-30- 407
#90256c0060 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - GRAHAM WILLIAM W TRUST OF 1150 15TH ST NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20071, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF THE WASHINGTON POST CO. (TICKER: WPO) THROUGH RUANE CUNNIFF & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(THE WASHINGTON POST CO. TEL: 202 334-6620)

-30- 442
#90256c0061 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALTER GILBERT OF 14 CAMBRIDGE CTR, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF BIOGEN INC. (TICKER: BGEN) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(BIOGEN INC. TEL: 617 864-8900)

-30- 392
#90256c0062 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RTI LTD OF C/O LARRY LEVINSON, 5610A RODMAN ST, HOLLYWOOD, FL 33023, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CANCER TREATMENT HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: CTHI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(CANCER TREATMENT HOLDINGS INC. TEL: 305 321-9555)

-30- 448
#90256c0063 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW W MILLER OF 210 BURLINGTON PLACE, NASHVILLE, TN 37205, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF) THROUGH EQUITABLE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. TEL: 615 385-3541)

-30- 445
#90256c0065 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FIRST CHICAGO INVESTMENT CORP OF THREE FIRST NATIONL PLAZA, SUITE 1330, CHICAGO, IL 60670, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF CONSOLIDATED STORES

CORP. (TICKER: CNS) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(CONSOLIDATED STORES CORP. TEL: 614 224-1297)

-30- 482
#90256c0066 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW W MILLER OF 210 BURLINGTON PLACE, NASHVILLE, TN 37205, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. TEL: 615 385-3541)

-30- 449
#90256c0067 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREDERICK A KREHBIEL OF 505 SOUTH COUNTY LINE RD, HINSDALE, IL 60521, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX) THROUGH WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(MOLEX INC. TEL: 708 969-4550)

-30- 404
#90256c0068 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALTON J BRANN OF 360 N CRESCENT DR, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,612 SHARES OF LITTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: LIT) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(LITTON INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 213 859-5000)

-30- 412
#90256c0069 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES E REVANE OF 730 CLARENCE AVE, MOUND, MN 55364, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,300 SHARES OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(ANGEION CORP. TEL: 612 559-3370)

-30- 389
#90256c0070 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLEN R MUESSE OF 504 W AVENUE DE LOS LOBOS, SAN CLEMENTE, CA 92672, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,374 SHARES OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(DYNATECH CORP. TEL: 617 272-6100)

-30- 414
#90256c0071 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MORRISON ASSOCIATES LP OF 6751 OXFORD ST, ST LOUIS PARK, MN 55426, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF DIGI INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DGII) THROUGH JOHN G KINNARD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(DIGI INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 612 922-8055)

-30- 442
#90256c0073 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM T BURGIN OF 270 DEDHAM STREET, DOVER, MA 02030, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,334 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH WESSELS ARNOLD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 434
#90256c0074 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREA B EPSTEIN OF 50 WASHINGTON ST, WESTBOROUGH, MA 01581, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF NEW ENGLAND CRITICAL CARE INC. (TICKER: NECC) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(NEW ENGLAND CRITICAL CARE INC. TEL: 508 836-3610)

-30- 453
#90256c0075 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - MWV COMPANY N V OF 224 RUE DEJEAN P O BOX #5C, LAFAYETTE, LA 70505, HAS FILED TO SELL 73,561 SHARES OF OFFSHORE LOGISTICS INC. (TICKER: OLOG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(OFFSHORE LOGISTICS INC. TEL: 318 233-1221)

-30- 439
#90256c0076 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD W MOORE OF 105 SOUTH WOODCREST AVE, 0, LONGPORT, NJ 08403, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF TOYS 'R' US INC. (TICKER: TOY) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(TOYS 'R' US INC. TEL: 201 262-7800)

-30- 418
#90256c0077 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK BEDDOR JR OF 4400 GULF SHORE BLVD N, ARDISSONE #602, NAPLES, FL 33940, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BANTA CORP. (TICKER: BNTA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(BANTA CORP. TEL: 414 722-7777)

-30- 404
#90256c0078 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AMERICAN HOSITAL OF PARIS FDN OF 70 PINE STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10270, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN INTL GROUP INC. (TICKER: AIG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(AMERICAN INTL GROUP INC. TEL: 212 719-1590)

-30- 464
#90256c0079 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T HUNT PAYNE OF 649 GREENWICH LN, FOSTER CITY, CA 94404, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS.

THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(KOMAG INC. TEL: 408 946-2707)

-30- 389
#90256c0081 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH L LAY OF P O BOX 1188, HOUSTON, TX 77251, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ) THROUGH SANDERS MORRIS MUNDY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 713 370-0670)

-30- 412
#90256c0082 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT L SARNOFF OF RR #1, P O BOX 867, VALLEY VIEW, WOODSTOCK, VT 05091 HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SURVIVAL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: SURV) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(SURVIVAL TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 301 656-5600)

-30- 451
#90256c0083 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAZENOVE & CO OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 403
#90256c0084 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BROOKS D STEWART OF 543 GARRATY RD, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78209, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,022 SHARES OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(FOREST OIL CORP. TEL: 814 368-7171)

-30- 404
#90256c0085 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAKE CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST OF 7 POWDER HORN LANE, WARREN, NJ 07060, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CELGENE CORP. (TICKER: CELG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(CELGENE CORP. TEL: 201 271-1001)

-30- 437
#90256c0086 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MELVYN R KALAS OF 30 WESTWOOD LANE, LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,300 SHARES OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX) THROUGH STERLING INVTMT SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 312 948-2000)

-30- 427
#90256c0087 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARILYN A BEDDOR OF 4400 GULF SHORE BLVD N, ARDISSONE #602, NAPLES, FL 33940, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BANTA CORP. (TICKER: BNTA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(BANTA CORP. TEL: 414 722-7777)

-30- 407
#90256c0089 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK S WYLE OF 128 MARYLAND ST, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF WYLE LABORATORIES (TICKER: WYL) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(WYLE LABORATORIES TEL: 213 322-1763)

-30- 407
#90256c0090 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ANNETTE FUNICELLO OF 16102 SANDY LANE, ENCINO, CA 91436, HAS FILED TO SELL 435,000 SHARES OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. TEL: 415 589-8088)

-30- 450
#90256c0091 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAMQUIST OF 1 BUSH STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 400
#90256c0092 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INDEPENDENT INVESTMENT CO PLC OF 15810 NORTH 28TH AVE, PHOENIX, AZ 85023 HAS FILED TO SELL 48,188 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 438
#90256c0093 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S STEEL & CARNEGIE PENSION F OF 600 GRANT ST, PITTSBURGH, NY 10530, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,725,000 SHARES OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(USX CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 421
#90256c0094 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILMINGTON TRUST CO OF 1007 MARKET ST, WILMINGTON, DE 19898, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF DUPONT (E.I.) DE NEMOURS & CO. (TICKER: DD) THROUGH

FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(DUPONT (E.I.) DE NEMOURS & CO. TEL: 302 774-1000)

-30- 459
#90256c0095 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ASSET MGMT PARTNERS OF 2275 EAST BAYSHORE, SUITE 150, PALO ALTO, CA 94303, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(AMGEN INC. TEL: 805 499-5725)

-30- 418
#90256c0097 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H & Q VENTURES INTL CV OF 1 BUSH STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 429
#90256c0098 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90256c0099 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.59 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0100 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 30, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0101 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 30, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0102 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90256c0103 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90256c0105 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, V.J. JAMESON, DIR. OF DNB FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $70.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,300.

-30- 291
#90256c0106 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, A.H. COHEN, DIR. OF F & M BANCORP. (MARYLAND) BOUGHT 1,442 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,608.

-30- 298
#90256c0107 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, J.H. KINNARNEY, DIR. OF FNB FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,696.

-30- 319
#90256c0108 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, H.L. COHODAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICHIGAN FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: MHFC) BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90256c0109 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, H.L. COHODAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICHIGAN FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: MHFC) BOUGHT 1,187 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 127,368.

-30- 333
#90256c0110 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, H.L. COHODAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICHIGAN FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: MHFC) BOUGHT 582 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101,700.

-30- 327
#90256c0111 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, W.L. COHODAS, DIR. OF MICHIGAN FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: MHFC) BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90256c0113 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, W.F. MILLER, PRES. OF ORANGE NATIONAL BANCORP. SOLD 338 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,458.

-30- 308
#90256c0114 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, J.R. BEYSTER, CHAIRMAN OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 5,242 SHARES AT $9.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,015,233.

-30- 343
#90256c0115 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, W.H. DEMISCH, DIR. OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 333
#90256c0116 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, D.R. HEEBNER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $9.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 137,255.

-30- 348
#90256c0117 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, W.M. LAYSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,314.

-30- 352
#90256c0118 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, C.E. FRENCH, PRES. OF SHENANDOAH TELECOMMUNICATIONS CO. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $95.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90256c0119 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, C.E. FRENCH, PRES. OF SHENANDOAH TELECOMMUNICATIONS CO. BOUGHT 160 SHARES AT $88.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,575.

-30- 321
#90256c0121 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, W.F. GLAVIN, DIR. OF NORTON CO.(TICKER: NRT) SOLD 1,275 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90256c0122 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, D.P. GRUBER, VP OF NORTON CO.(TICKER: NRT) SOLD 11,500 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 284
#90256c0123 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, R.B. PERRY III, DIR. OF READING CO.(TICKER: RDGC) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,000.

-30- 295
#90256c0124 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF SAN JUAN RACING ASSN INC.(TICKER: SJR) BOUGHT 6,900 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 503,390.

-30- 354
#90256c0125 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, D.R. HUNTER, PRES. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTI), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90256c0126 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, D.R. HUNTER, PRES. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTII), SOLD 5,600 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 409,400.

-30- 317
#90256c0127 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, F.S. HARKINS JR, PRES. OF HORIZON BANK (TICKER: HRZB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,297.

-30- 304
#90256c0129 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 3, 1990, R.T. ROGERS, DIR. OF HORIZON BANK (TICKER: HRZB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90256c0130 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 2, 1990, J.M. GREGG, PRES. OF NORTH COUNTY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBH), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 133,086.

-30- 320
#90256c0131 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 13, 1990, I. ANDERSON, DIR. OF POTASH CORP OF SASKATCHEWAN INC. (TICKER: POT), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 326
#90256c0132 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, R.L. BOOTH, OFFICER OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS), SOLD 6,600 CLASS A SHARES AT $11.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90256c0133 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, W.S. GHEGAN, VP OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS), SOLD 1,500 CLASS A SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90256c0134 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, W.S. GHEGAN, VP OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS), SOLD 900 CLASS A SHARES AT $13.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90256c0135 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, W.S. GHEGAN, VP OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS), SOLD 600 CLASS A SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 334
#90256c0137 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, F.L. SALIZZONI, DIR. OF H & R BLOCK INC.(TICKER: HRB) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 303
#90256c0138 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PAUL W CHELLGREN, DIR. OF ASHLAND COAL INC. (TICKER: ACI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 311
#90256c0139 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL L ZAFFARONI, OFFICER OF ACXIOM CORP. (TICKER: ACXM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 303
#90256c0140 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MARTIN J REID, PRES. OF ALPHA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AHA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,837.

-30- 308
#90256c0141 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBIN C DUKE, DIR. OF AMERICAN HOME PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: AHP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $44.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,600.

-30- 318
#90256c0142 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM C ADAMS, DIR. OF AMCAST INDUSTRIAL CORP. (TICKER: AIZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 319
#90256c0143 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ANTHONY A SIRNA III, DIR. OF AMETEK INC. (TICKER: AME), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90256c0145 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANTHONY A SIRNA III, DIR. OF AMETEK INC. (TICKER: AME), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,660.

-30- 301
#90256c0146 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT M BOND, OFFICER OF AMERICAN EDL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: AMEP), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 86,646.

-30- 322
#90256c0147 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MARSHALL GELLER, DIR. OF ANGELES CORP. (TICKER: ANG), BOUGHT 550 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90256c0148 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MARSHALL GELLER, DIR. OF ANGELES CORP. (TICKER: ANG), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90256c0149 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MARSHALL GELLER, DIR. OF ANGELES CORP. (TICKER: ANG), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90256c0150 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, MARSHALL GELLER, DIR. OF ANGELES CORP. (TICKER: ANG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90256c0151 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, MARSHALL GELLER, DIR. OF ANGELES CORP. (TICKER: ANG), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,300.

-30- 293
#90256c0153 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THOMAS E MALLOY, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN REPUBLIC BANCORP. (TICKER: ARBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,250.

-30- 343
#90256c0154 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STEPHEN J GIOVANISCI, VP OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO. (TICKER: ARC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $131.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90256c0155 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STEPHEN J GIOVANISCI, VP OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO. (TICKER: ARC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $132.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90256c0156 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, STEPHEN J GIOVANISCI, VP OF ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO. (TICKER: ARC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $133.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90256c0157 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, FREDERICK J W HEFT, DIR. OF ALLTEL CORP. (TICKER: AT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,988.

-30- 303
#90256c0158 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MEL SCHNELL, DIR. OF ANDOVER TOGS INC. (TICKER: ATOG), BOUGHT 2,320 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90256c0159 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, MEL SCHNELL, DIR. OF ANDOVER TOGS INC. (TICKER: ATOG), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90256c0161 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CAROLYN S BURGER, VP OF BELL ATLANTIC CORP. (TICKER: BEL), SOLD 672 SHARES AT $49.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 321.

-30- 302
#90256c0162 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM L ROGERS, DIR. OF BISCAYNE HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: BHA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90256c0163 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, WILLIAM L ROGERS, DIR. OF BISCAYNE HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: BHA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90256c0164 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, WILLIAM L ROGERS, DIR. OF BISCAYNE HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: BHA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,799.

-30- 324
#90256c0165 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM W ROCHE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING

CO. (TICKER: BIN), SOLD 465 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 387,838.

-30- 345
#90256c0166 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LAN C BENTSEN, DIR. OF BMA CORP. (TICKER: BMAC), BOUGHT 111 SHARES AT $33.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,001.

-30- 288
#90256c0167 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, STEPHEN P AHERN, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 1,127 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,127.

-30- 316
#90256c0169 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, F PATRICK MCFADDEN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 347
#90256c0170 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, FAYE H STEWART, DIR. OF BOHEMIA INC. (TICKER: BOHM), BOUGHT 571 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 353,658.

-30- 300
#90256c0171 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ALVIN W TRIVELPIECE, DIR. OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $59.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 313
#90256c0172 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DONALD J DANTUONO, VP OF BOWATER INC. (TICKER: BOW), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90256c0173 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DONALD J DANTUONO, VP OF BOWATER INC. (TICKER: BOW), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,110.

-30- 295
#90256c0174 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, PAUL C BARKLEY, DIR. OF BURNHAM PACIFIC PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BPP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90256c0175 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PAUL C BARKLEY, DIR. OF BURNHAM PACIFIC PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BPP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,648.

-30- 335
#90256c0177 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN SHERWIN JR, DIR. OF BRUSH WELLMAN INC. (TICKER: BW), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,795.

-30- 308
#90256c0178 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, WELCOM H WATSON, DIR. OF CALFED INC. (TICKER: CAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 298

#90256c0179 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT LEBUHN, DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90256c0180 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN G L CABOT, DIR. OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 431,067.

-30- 298
#90256c0181 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 23, 1990, MAKS L BIRNBACH, DIR. OF CARNIVAL CRUISE LINES INC. (TICKER: CCL), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90256c0182 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, MAKS L BIRNBACH, DIR. OF CARNIVAL CRUISE LINES INC. (TICKER: CCL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90256c0183 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, MAKS L BIRNBACH, DIR. OF CARNIVAL CRUISE LINES INC. (TICKER: CCL), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90256c0185 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN B MCCOY, DIR. OF CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. (TICKER: CDIC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,346.

-30- 327
#90256c0186 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN A BOYLAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHOICES ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: CECS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 366
#90256c0187 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, W PHILIP WOODWARD, PRES. OF CHALONE INC. (TICKER: CHLN), BOUGHT 6,700 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,576.

-30- 307
#90256c0188 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, EARL D HOLTON, DIR. OF CMS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CMS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 300
#90256c0189 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LESTER D JOHNSON, VP OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), SOLD 726 SHARES AT $47.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,702.

-30- 326
#90256c0190 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GEORGE J TANKERSLEY, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), SOLD 2,613 SHARES AT $46.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,940.

-30- 341
#90256c0191 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DAVID E WEATHERWAX, VP OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO.

(TICKER: CNG), SOLD 399 SHARES AT $47.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,167.

-30- 331
#90256c0193 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EUGENE L BARR, DIV. OFFICER OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: COFI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,532.

-30- 342
#90256c0194 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90256c0195 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $2.67 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90256c0196 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 8,300 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90256c0197 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90256c0198 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $2.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90256c0199 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90256c0201 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90256c0202 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 5,800 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90256c0203 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 34,000 SHARES AT $2.72 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,424,900.

-30- 363
#90256c0204 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 2,243 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90256c0205 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $12.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90256c0206 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,225,326.

-30- 339
#90256c0207 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GILBERT L FARLEY, BEN. OWNER OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,114.

-30- 345
#90256c0209 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, SIMEON C HIXSON, BEN. OWNER OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,440.

-30- 346
#90256c0210 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GERALD I RICH, BEN. OWNER OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 336
#90256c0211 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, LEON F WINBIGLER, DIR. OF COOPER TIRE & RUBBER CO. (TICKER: CTB), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 19,200.

-30- 331
#90256c0212 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, EVERGREEN CAPITAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90256c0213 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, EVERGREEN CAPITAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90256c0214 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, EVERGREEN CAPITAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90256c0215 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, EVERGREEN CAPITAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90256c0217 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, EVERGREEN CAPITAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90256c0218 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, EVERGREEN CAPITAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF C-TEC CORP.

(TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,197.

-30- 328
#90256c0219 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90256c0220 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90256c0221 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90256c0222 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90256c0223 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90256c0225 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90256c0226 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 146,648.

-30- 305
#90256c0227 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90256c0228 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLIAM B SORDONI, DIR. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90256c0229 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM B SORDONI, DIR. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90256c0230 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM B SORDONI, DIR. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90256c0231 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM B SORDONI, DIR. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90256c0233 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, WILLIAM B SORDONI, DIR. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90256c0234 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, WILLIAM B SORDONI, DIR. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,992.

-30- 303
#90256c0235 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID D PETERSON, CHAIRMAN OF CONSOLIDATED-TOMOKA LAND CO. (TICKER: CTLC), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 342
#90256c0236 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WALTER F RAAB, DIR. OF DAUPHIN DEPOSIT CORP. (TICKER: DAPN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 311
#90256c0237 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MICHAEL I GINSBERG, DIR. OF DAWN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: DAWN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 332

#90256c0238 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, MICHAEL C BOWEN, VP OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $79.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,097.

-30- 331
#90256c0239 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ARTHUR ROCK, DIR. OF DIASONICS INC. (TICKER: DIA), SOLD 297,266 SHARES AT $2.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,984,168.

-30- 301
#90256c0241 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MAURICE LATHOWERS JR, OFFICER OF DVI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVIC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,500.

-30- 326
#90256c0242 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FREDERICK H SCHULTZ, DIR. OF TRANSCO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: E), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $43.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90256c0243 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FREDERICK H SCHULTZ, DIR. OF TRANSCO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: E), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $43.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 313
#90256c0244 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FREDERICK H SCHULTZ, DIR. OF TRANSCO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: E), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $43.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90256c0245 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FREDERICK H SCHULTZ, DIR. OF TRANSCO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: E), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $43.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 314
#90256c0246 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, CHARLES T FRANCIS, DIR. OF EASTLAND FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: EAFC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 329
#90256c0247 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, BENJAMIN F ROBELEN, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 300
#90256c0249 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, STANLEY K STYNES, DIR. OF ENERGY CONVERSION DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ENER), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,885.

-30- 331
#90256c0250 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, GEORGE S WEST, PRES. OF ESI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ESI), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90256c0251 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, GEORGE S WEST, PRES. OF ESI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER:

ESI), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,700.

-30- 295
#90256c0252 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GEORGE S WEST, PRES. OF ESI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ESI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90256c0253 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, GEORGE S WEST, PRES. OF ESI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ESI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 299
#90256c0254 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90256c0255 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90256c0257 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, HARRY L THURMON, OFFICER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,000.

-30- 312
#90256c0258 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, THOMAS L CASSIDY, DIR. OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. (TICKER: FBO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90256c0259 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, THOMAS L CASSIDY, DIR. OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. (TICKER: FBO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,408.

-30- 328
#90256c0260 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DONALD M LAMBERT, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP. OF OHIO (TICKER: FBOH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,199.

-30- 342
#90256c0261 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, STEPHEN E MYERS, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP. OF OHIO (TICKER: FBOH), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,432.

-30- 320
#90256c0262 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, EDWARD R NAUMES, VP OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 334
#90256c0263 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, MARTIN ROSSKAMM, CHAIRMAN OF FABRI CENTERS AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FCA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 156,357.

-30- 339
#90256c0265 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, LEE A BUTZ, DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,471.

-30- 331
#90256c0266 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLIAM F HYLAND, DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,837.

-30- 340
#90256c0267 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ANTHONY P TERRACCIANO, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 5,100 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,100.

-30- 357
#90256c0268 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HERBERT E WOLFF, VP OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90256c0269 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HERBERT E WOLFF, VP OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,880.

-30- 313
#90256c0270 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JACK H MILLER, DIR. OF FIRST MICHIGAN BANK CORP. (TICKER: FMBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,660.

-30- 326
#90256c0271 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, THRIFT SVGS ESOT FMC, BEN. OWNER OF FMC CORP. (TICKER: FMC), SOLD 5,968 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90256c0273 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JEROME J BUSHMAN, DIR. OF F & M FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP.(WI) (TICKER: FMFS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,006.

-30- 339
#90256c0274 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, WILLIAM A JULIAS, DIR. OF F & M NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FMNT), SOLD 850 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,500.

-30- 308
#90256c0275 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, NANCY J WEAVER, DIR. OF FORTUNE FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FORF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 328
#90256c0276 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN E ANDERSON, PRES. OF FRP PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: FRPP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 320
#90256c0277 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN T NEWTON, DIR. OF FIRST SECURITY CORP.(KY) (TICKER: FSKY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,019.

-30- 322
#90256c0278 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WILLIAM W WIRTZ, DIR. OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90256c0279 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WILLIAM W WIRTZ, DIR. OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $26.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90256c0281 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLIAM W WIRTZ, DIR. OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90256c0282 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLIAM W WIRTZ, DIR. OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 9,200 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 502,000.

-30- 302
#90256c0283 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM W BRADLEY, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER:

FTU), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90256c0284 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM W BRADLEY, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90256c0285 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM W BRADLEY, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90256c0286 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM W BRADLEY, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90256c0287 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM W BRADLEY, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90256c0289 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ALVIN L SWANSON JR, DIR. OF GRUBB & ELLIS CO. (TICKER: GBE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 127,971.

-30- 316
#90256c0290 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, WILLIAM L DAVIS JR, DIR. OF GENESCO INC. (TICKER: GCO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,750.

-30- 301
#90256c0291 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GENESEE CORP. (TICKER: GENB), BOUGHT 475 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90256c0292 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GENESEE CORP. (TICKER: GENB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,546.

-30- 325
#90256c0293 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOSEPH D GIOFFRE, CHAIRMAN OF GREENWICH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GFCT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,351.

-30- 337
#90256c0294 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BURCHARD K MOLLER, DIR. OF GREENWICH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GFCT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90256c0295 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, BURCHARD K MOLLER, DIR. OF GREENWICH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GFCT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90256c0297 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BURCHARD K MOLLER, DIR. OF GREENWICH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GFCT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,000.

-30- 330
#90256c0298 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JAMES S GLEASON, PRES. OF GLEASON CORP. (TICKER: GLE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,095.

-30- 301
#90256c0299 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, GENERAL MOTORS SVGS TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 8,687 SHARES AT $35.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90256c0300 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, GENERAL MOTORS SVGS TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 81,639 SHARES AT $19.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90256c0301 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RICHARD F OBRIEN, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 2,068 SHARES AT $31.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90256c0302 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DAVID R JACKSON, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $53.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,562.

-30- 287

#90256c0303 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, BARRY D WESTON, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $53.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,778.

-30- 285
#90256c0305 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, FREDRIC K ROSEN, VP OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90256c0306 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FREDRIC K ROSEN, VP OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 315
#90256c0307 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FREDRIC K ROSEN, VP OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 317
#90256c0308 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES J APOSTOLAKIS, DIR. OF GROW GROUP INC. (TICKER: GRO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,050.

-30- 318
#90256c0309 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES J APOSTOLAKIS, DIR. OF GROW GROUP INC. (TICKER: GRO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

103,550.

-30- 317
#90256c0310 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, STEVEN D BENCH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 315,000.

-30- 340
#90256c0311 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CHRISTINA WILKINS, OFFICER OF HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HB), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $37.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 321
#90256c0313 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1988, WILLIAM G FOSTER, DIR. OF HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC INDS INC. (TICKER: HE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $30.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90256c0314 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 20, 1989, WILLIAM G FOSTER, DIR. OF HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC INDS INC. (TICKER: HE), SOLD 3,100 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90256c0315 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 21, 1989, WILLIAM G FOSTER, DIR. OF HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC INDS INC. (TICKER: HE), SOLD 1,900 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,362.

-30- 331
#90256c0316 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CLYDE WYANT JR, DIR. OF HAWKINS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: HECI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,481.

-30- 314
#90256c0317 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, E ROGERS JACKSON, OFFICER OF HEEKIN CAN INC. (TICKER: HEKN), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 316
#90256c0318 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ZELLA A KAISER, CHAIRMAN OF H & H OIL TOOL CO. (TICKER: HHOT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 463,216.

-30- 322
#90256c0319 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JAMES HOWARD DAVIS, PRES. OF HORSEHEAD RESOURCE DEV CO. (TICKER: HHRD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 336
#90256c0321 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, LAWRENCE D BEANE, VP OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,890.

-30- 323
#90256c0322 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DAVID M BLAIR, VP OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER:

HNIS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,730.

-30- 320
#90256c0323 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RICHARD B COVELL, CHAIRMAN OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 339
#90256c0324 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, DAVID P CURREY JR, CHAIRMAN OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,050.

-30- 338
#90256c0325 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RONALD FEINSTEIN, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 2,205 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,410.

-30- 329
#90256c0326 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT F MAHAR, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,025.

-30- 326
#90256c0327 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK D GREENWADE, DIR. OF HOUSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOU), SOLD 189 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 373.

-30- 308
#90256c0329 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVIDSON D A & CO, BEN. OWNER OF THE ROCKIES FUND INC. (TICKER: ROCF), BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90256c0330 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, BENJAMIN L HOLMES, VP OF HEWLETT-PACKARD CO. (TICKER: HWP), SOLD 229 SHARES AT $39.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,506.

-30- 308
#90256c0331 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, BENJAMIN L HOLMES, VP OF HEWLETT-PACKARD CO. (TICKER: HWP), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $47.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,236.

-30- 308
#90256c0332 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PHIL S ROGERS, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANKGROUP INC. (TICKER: IBGI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90256c0333 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, PHIL S ROGERS, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANKGROUP INC. (TICKER: IBGI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,164.

-30- 324
#90256c0334 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ROBERT N MATTSON, OFFICER OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP. (TICKER: IBM), SOLD 178 SHARES AT $103.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90256c0335 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, TERRY J BAKER, DIR. OF ARCTIC ALASKA FISHERIES CORP. (TICKER: ICE), SOLD 12,100 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90256c0337 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, TERRY J BAKER, DIR. OF ARCTIC ALASKA FISHERIES CORP. (TICKER: ICE), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 885,958.

-30- 333
#90256c0338 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LLOYD W JONES, PRES. OF INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ICSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90256c0339 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, LLOYD W JONES, PRES. OF INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ICSI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90256c0340 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, LLOYD W JONES, PRES. OF INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ICSI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 343
#90256c0341 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 12, 1986, RALPH W STACY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ICSI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90256c0342 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 12, 1986, RALPH W STACY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ICSI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90256c0343 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 12, 1986, RALPH W STACY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ICSI), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90256c0345 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 04, 1987, RALPH W STACY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ICSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,300.

-30- 363
#90256c0346 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES G FIFIELD, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL MULTIFOODS CORP. (TICKER: IMC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 329
#90256c0347 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN D HARDING, PRES. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: INBC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90256c0348 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN D HARDING, PRES. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: INBC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,005.

-30- 334
#90256c0349 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, KAREN MATHIASEN, OFFICER OF INDEX TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: INDX), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 323
#90256c0350 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RAYMOND W MARSHALL, DIR. OF INFOTRON SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: INFN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 325
#90256c0351 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT W REED, VP OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC), SOLD 9,819 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90256c0353 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF INTELOGIC TRACE INC. (TICKER: IT), BOUGHT 9,700 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90256c0354 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF INTELOGIC TRACE INC. (TICKER: IT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90256c0355 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF INTELOGIC TRACE INC. (TICKER: IT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,454,502.

-30- 330
#90256c0356 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEVEN S HELMS, BEN. OWNER OF INNOVET INC. (TICKER: IVET), BOUGHT 150,000 SHARES AT $0.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 920,000.

-30- 317
#90256c0357 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOHN W BATTIN, PRES. OF IRT CORP. (TICKER: IX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90256c0358 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOHN W BATTIN, PRES. OF IRT CORP. (TICKER: IX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 251
#90256c0359 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOHN W BATTIN, PRES. OF IRT CORP. (TICKER: IX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 251
#90256c0361 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PHILIP ROOTBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JG INDUSTRIES INC.

(TICKER: JGIN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 327
#90256c0362 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JPM STOCK FD TRUST DPSP, BEN. OWNER OF MORGAN (J.P.) & CO. (TICKER: JPM), SOLD 7,049 SHARES AT $35.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90256c0363 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JPM STOCK FD TRUST DPSP, BEN. OWNER OF MORGAN (J.P.) & CO. (TICKER: JPM), SOLD 2,994 SHARES AT $32.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90256c0364 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JPM STOCK FD TRUST DPSP, BEN. OWNER OF MORGAN (J.P.) & CO. (TICKER: JPM), SOLD 4,971 SHARES AT $33.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,296,720.

-30- 351
#90256c0365 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MORGAN GUARANTY TRUST CO OF NY, BEN. OWNER OF MORGAN (J.P.) & CO. (TICKER: JPM), SOLD 7,049 SHARES AT $35.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90256c0366 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MORGAN GUARANTY TRUST CO OF NY, BEN. OWNER OF MORGAN (J.P.) & CO. (TICKER: JPM), SOLD 2,994 SHARES AT $32.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90256c0367 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MORGAN GUARANTY TRUST CO OF NY, BEN. OWNER OF MORGAN (J.P.) & CO. (TICKER: JPM), SOLD 4,971 SHARES AT $33.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,296,720.

-30- 366
#90256c0369 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, DAVID FOX JR, DIR. OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,078.

-30- 330
#90256c0370 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CONRAD A CONRAD, PRES. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,892.

-30- 314
#90256c0371 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MARK T FUKUHARA, PRES. OF LASER PHOTONICS INC. (TICKER: LAZR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,600.

-30- 322
#90256c0372 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, T MICHAEL JANNEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LASER PHOTONICS INC. (TICKER: LAZR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,505.

-30- 343
#90256c0373 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90256c0374 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90256c0375 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90256c0377 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DAVIS W SIMPSON, VP OF LUBY'S CAFETERIAS INC. (TICKER: LUB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,255.

-30- 318
#90256c0378 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 01, 1987, COLLEEN C BARRETT, OFFICER OF SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO. (TICKER: LUV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90256c0379 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, FRED M BUTLER, PRES. OF MANITOWOC INC. (TICKER: MANT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,105.

-30- 304
#90256c0380 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, TRUEMAN E TRYHUS, DIR. OF METROPOLITAN FINANCIAL CORP.

(TICKER: MFC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,946.

-30- 337
#90256c0381 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, MICHEHL R GENT, DIR. OF MICROFRAME INC. (TICKER: MIFI), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 144,444.

-30- 308
#90256c0382 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RONALD S BEARD, DIR. OF LAWRENCE (MARTIN) LTD EDITIONS INC. (TICKER: MLLE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 341
#90256c0383 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HAMISH MAXWELL, CHAIRMAN OF MORRIS (PHILIP) COS. (TICKER: MO), SOLD 65,000 SHARES AT $47.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 502,063.

-30- 325
#90256c0385 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, DAVID R CLARE, DIR. OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $75.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90256c0386 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, DAVID R CLARE, DIR. OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $75.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90256c0387 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN F MITCHELL, DIR. OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $74.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90256c0388 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN F MITCHELL, DIR. OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $74.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90256c0389 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN F MITCHELL, DIR. OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $75.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90256c0390 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN F MITCHELL, DIR. OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $75.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90256c0391 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN F MITCHELL, DIR. OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $75.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90256c0393 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN N NADOLSKI, PRES. OF MARIETTA CORP. (TICKER: MRTA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 308
#90256c0394 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, DAVID F MARQUARDT, DIR. OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $62.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90256c0395 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DAVID F MARQUARDT, DIR. OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $62.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90256c0396 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DAVID F MARQUARDT, DIR. OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $65.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90256c0397 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DAVID F MARQUARDT, DIR. OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $65.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90256c0398 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DAVID F MARQUARDT, DIR. OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $65.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90256c0399 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DAVID F MARQUARDT, DIR. OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $64.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90256c0401 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PAUL W CHELLGREN, DIR. OF MELAMINE CHEMICALS INC. (TICKER: MTWO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 328
#90256c0402 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 3,388 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0403 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 2,041 SHARES AT $19.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0404 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 2,695 SHARES AT $19.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0405 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 1,155 SHARES AT $19.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0406 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 385 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324

#90256c0407 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 3,850 SHARES AT $19.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0409 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 1,925 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0410 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 1,925 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0411 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 1,082 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0412 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 652 SHARES AT $19.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0413 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 861 SHARES AT $19.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 324

#90256c0414 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 369 SHARES AT $19.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0415 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 123 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0417 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 984 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0418 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 615 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0419 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 615 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0420 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 1,091 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 328

#90256c0421 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 657 SHARES AT $19.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0422 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 868 SHARES AT $19.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0423 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 372 SHARES AT $19.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0425 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 1,240 SHARES AT $19.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0426 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 992 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0427 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 620 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324

#90256c0428 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 620 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0429 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 2,297 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0430 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 1,383 SHARES AT $19.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0431 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 1,827 SHARES AT $19.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0433 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 261 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0434 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 2,610 SHARES AT $19.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 328

#90256c0435 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 2,088 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0436 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 1,305 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0437 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 1,305 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 972,271.

-30- 367
#90256c0438 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 942 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0439 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 567 SHARES AT $19.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0441 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 321 SHARES AT $19.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0442 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 107 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0443 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 1,070 SHARES AT $19.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90256c0444 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 856 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0445 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 535 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0446 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 535 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90256c0447 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ARNOLD VANZANTEN, OFFICER OF NATIONAL CONVENIENCE STORES INC. (TICKER: NCS), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90256c0449 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, PETER S WILLMOTT, DIR. OF NICOLET INSTRUMENT CORP. (TICKER: NIC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90256c0450 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, PETER S WILLMOTT, DIR. OF NICOLET INSTRUMENT CORP. (TICKER: NIC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,692.

-30- 326
#90256c0451 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WALTER J SALMON, DIR. OF THE NEIMAN-MARCUS GROUP INC. (TICKER: NMG), SOLD 291 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,942.

-30- 323
#90256c0452 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDAH KEATING, OFFICER OF NEWPARK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: NPRS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 314
#90256c0453 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RONALD L BORNHUETTER, PRES. OF NAC RE CORP. (TICKER: NREC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,249.

-30- 313
#90256c0454 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GARY P ARNOLD, DIR. OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP.

(TICKER: NSM), SOLD 7,350 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90256c0455 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MICHAEL P MALONEY, VP OF ORION CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: OC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,675.

-30- 306
#90256c0457 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 226 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90256c0458 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 105 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90256c0459 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 216 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90256c0460 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90256c0461 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING

LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 244 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90256c0462 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90256c0463 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90256c0465 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90256c0466 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90256c0467 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 210 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,561,248.

-30- 374
#90256c0468 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LEWIS W WATSON, DIR. OF OEA INC. (TICKER: OEA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 284
#90256c0469 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, D W MCGOWAN, CHAIRMAN OF OHIO BANCORP. (TICKER: OHBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,720.

-30- 312
#90256c0470 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALLEN G ROSENSHINE, DIR. OF OMNICOM GROUP INC (TICKER: OMC), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,635.

-30- 319
#90256c0471 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $28.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90256c0473 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 7,400 SHARES AT $29.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90256c0474 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90256c0475 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $30.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90256c0476 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90256c0477 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90256c0478 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90256c0479 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $29.17 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90256c0481 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90256c0482 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90256c0483 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, DANIEL C WEARY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PURITAN-BENNETT CORP. (TICKER: PBEN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 355
#90256c0484 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, GILBERT H BISHOP, VP OF THE PRICE CO. (TICKER: PCLB), SOLD 13,512 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90256c0485 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, EDWARD J MAZESKI JR, VP OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), SOLD 1,463 SHARES AT $52.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,626.

-30- 301
#90256c0486 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WALTER R WOODS, SHAREHOLDER OF PICO PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: PPI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90256c0487 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, WALTER R WOODS, SHAREHOLDER OF PICO PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: PPI), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 131,500.

-30- 316

#90256c0489 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, DAVID J MCDONNELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 677 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90256c0490 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, DAVID J MCDONNELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90256c0491 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, DAVID J MCDONNELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 1,653 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,697.

-30- 356
#90256c0492 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, FRANKLIN J CORNWELL JR, VP OF RALSTON PURINA CO. (TICKER: RAL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $98.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,852.

-30- 319
#90256c0493 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DONALD B HAUK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF REPUBLIC AUTOMOTIVE PARTS INC. (TICKER: RAUT), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,300.

-30- 357
#90256c0494 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, LARRY C LUMME, VP OF REPUBLIC AUTOMOTIVE PARTS INC. (TICKER: RAUT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 330
#90256c0495 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, KEITH M THOMPSON, PRES. OF REPUBLIC AUTOMOTIVE PARTS INC. (TICKER: RAUT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,300.

-30- 343
#90256c0497 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOE D PENTECOST, DIR. OF REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: RBNC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 133,080.

-30- 325
#90256c0498 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HAROLD J SCOTT, VP OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 3,504 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90256c0499 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HAROLD J SCOTT, VP OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90256c0500 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HAROLD J SCOTT, VP OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 5,400 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90256c0501 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HAROLD J SCOTT, VP OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 12,400 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 321
#90256c0502 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RON BERGER, CHAIRMAN OF RENTRAK CORP. (TICKER: RENT), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90256c0503 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RON BERGER, CHAIRMAN OF RENTRAK CORP. (TICKER: RENT), SOLD 8,500 SHARES AT $5.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 392,537.

-30- 302
#90256c0505 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,588 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90256c0506 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 8,443 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90256c0507 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,835 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90256c0508 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,589 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90256c0509 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 385 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90256c0510 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 5,075 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90256c0511 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 9,338 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90256c0513 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 5,074 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,311,558.

-30- 351
#90256c0514 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ALAN D LIPSKY, VP OF ROCK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RFIN), SOLD 480 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,424.

-30- 304

#90256c0515 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ALAN D LIPSKY, VP OF ROCK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RFIN), BOUGHT 480 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90256c0516 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ALAN D LIPSKY, VP OF ROCK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RFIN), SOLD 480 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90256c0517 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ALAN D LIPSKY, VP OF ROCK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RFIN), BOUGHT 480 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,280.

-30- 309
#90256c0518 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, WILLIAM T MCCORMICK JR, DIR. OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 334
#90256c0519 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, EUGENE J RUDNIK JR, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 331
#90256c0521 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SCHWAB CHARLES ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF SCHWAB (CHARLES) CORP. (TICKER: SCH), BOUGHT 4,173 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 2,537,498.

-30- 348
#90256c0522 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT A CERVONI, DIR. OF SPEAR FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SFNS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,500.

-30- 328
#90256c0523 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RONALD E WALKER, VP OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), SOLD 2,639 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,076.

-30- 295
#90256c0524 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ALLAN C KRAMER, DIR. OF SILICON VALLEY BANCSHARES (TICKER: SIVB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,816.

-30- 334
#90256c0525 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, BARRY TURKUS, DIR. OF SILICON VALLEY BANCSHARES (TICKER: SIVB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,392.

-30- 326
#90256c0526 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, DARYL L RENSCHLER, PRES. OF SL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,825.

-30- 308

#90256c0527 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RICHARD T DOERMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90256c0529 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JAMES TULIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SWANK INC. (TICKER: SNKI), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,500.

-30- 314
#90256c0530 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, PETER S CROSS, OFFICER OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90256c0531 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, PETER S CROSS, OFFICER OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90256c0532 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, PETER S CROSS, OFFICER OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 113,948.

-30- 339
#90256c0533 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WILLIAM J RUEHLE, VP OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90256c0534 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WILLIAM J RUEHLE, VP OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 109,348.

-30- 333
#90256c0535 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, CHARLES E MARSHALL, DIR. OF SUNDSTRAND CORP. (TICKER: SNS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 313
#90256c0537 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MALCOLM R MYERS, DIR. OF THE STANDARD PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: SPD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,875.

-30- 310
#90256c0538 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID P RODGERS, OFFICER OF SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SQNT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $24.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 166,566.

-30- 346
#90256c0539 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PAUL D SMITH, VP OF SUMMAGRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: SUGR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90256c0540 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, SYLVIA MILLER, VP OF SUMMIT HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: SUHC), SOLD 814 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90256c0541 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JUDSON D TODD, PRES. OF SYNTRO CORP. (TICKER: SYNT), BOUGHT 68,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,500.

-30- 300
#90256c0542 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HAROLD C DEHART, VP OF TANDY BRANDS INC. (TICKER: TAB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90256c0543 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, J S B JENKINS, VP OF TANDY BRANDS INC. (TICKER: TAB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90256c0545 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, PATRICIA J JACQUES, OFFICER OF TIS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: TIS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 339
#90256c0546 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LORRAINE O LEGG, PRES. OF TIS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: TIS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 334

#90256c0547 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM R AMMANN, VP OF TRINOVA CORP. (TICKER: TNV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90256c0548 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, WILLIAM R AMMANN, VP OF TRINOVA CORP. (TICKER: TNV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,174.

-30- 294
#90256c0549 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, A PAUL FUNKHOUSER, DIR. OF TRINOVA CORP. (TICKER: TNV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 306
#90256c0550 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JAMES E KLINE, VP OF TRINOVA CORP. (TICKER: TNV), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,896.

-30- 290
#90256c0551 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, ERIC T CLARKE, DIR. OF TECH/OPS LANDAUER INC. (TICKER: TO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,162.

-30- 315
#90256c0553 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 23, 1990, LEE M PARKER, VP OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 268

#90256c0554 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, LEE M PARKER, VP OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 303
#90256c0555 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1990, LEE M PARKER, VP OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90256c0556 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, LEE M PARKER, VP OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,057.

-30- 303
#90256c0557 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, L TERRELL SOVEY JR, CHAIRMAN OF TEXFI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TXF), BOUGHT 767 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90256c0558 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, L TERRELL SOVEY JR, CHAIRMAN OF TEXFI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TXF), BOUGHT 969 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,329.

-30- 315
#90256c0559 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, L DENNIS KOZLOWSKI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TYCO LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TYC), BOUGHT 214 SHARES AT $61.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90256c0561 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, W MICHAEL BLUMENTHAL, CHAIRMAN OF UNISYS CORP. (TICKER: UIS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,768.

-30- 313
#90256c0562 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRANK R MCPIKE JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNIVERSITY PATENTS INC. (TICKER: UPT), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90256c0563 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRANK R MCPIKE JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNIVERSITY PATENTS INC. (TICKER: UPT), SOLD 5,600 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,838.

-30- 347
#90256c0564 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT J PETRIK, VP OF THE U.S. SHOE CORP. (TICKER: USR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,207.

-30- 299
#90256c0565 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PETER BURTSCHER, OFFICER OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $43.24 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90256c0566 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PETER BURTSCHER, OFFICER OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $44.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90256c0567 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PETER BURTSCHER, OFFICER OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $45.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90256c0569 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, PETER BURTSCHER, OFFICER OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $46.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90256c0570 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, PETER BURTSCHER, OFFICER OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $47.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,322.

-30- 313
#90256c0571 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, FRANCIS X MESSINA, DIR. OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 384,136.

-30- 298
#90256c0572 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, FRANCIS X MESSINA, DIR. OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90256c0573 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, FRANCIS X MESSINA, DIR. OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90256c0574 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, FRANCIS X MESSINA, DIR. OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90256c0575 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FRANCIS X MESSINA, DIR. OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90256c0577 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT L GABLE, CHAIRMAN OF UNITRODE CORP. (TICKER: UTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,000.

-30- 310
#90256c0578 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ANDREW V SMITH, DIR. OF UNIVAR CORP. (TICKER: UVX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 297
#90256c0579 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROGER E STANGELAND, CHAIRMAN OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,000.

-30- 331
#90256c0580 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DONALD P NIELSEN, DIR. OF VWR CORP. (TICKER: VWRX),

BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,950.

-30- 295
#90256c0581 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CHARLES S ARLEDGE, DIR. OF WAHLCO ENVIRONMENTAL SYS INC. (TICKER: WAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 335
#90256c0582 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HENRY N HUTA, PRES. OF WAHLCO ENVIRONMENTAL SYS INC. (TICKER: WAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 330
#90256c0583 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, PETER J DEANGELIS, DIR. OF WORLDWIDE COMPUTER SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WCSI), BOUGHT 6,600 SHARES AT $1.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,615.

-30- 338
#90256c0585 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, SAMUEL C WHEELER, DIR. OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 692,632.

-30- 324
#90256c0586 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BENJAMIN R WHITELEY, DIR. OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $42.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 318
#90256c0587 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DENNIS R MANGINO, VP OF WEIRTON STEEL CORP. (TICKER: WS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 307
#90256c0588 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLIFFORD W DINSMORE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WASHINGTON SCIENTIFIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WSCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90256c0589 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLIFFORD W DINSMORE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WASHINGTON SCIENTIFIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WSCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,625.

-30- 371
#90256c0590 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ROBERT J BOREL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WORTHINGTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WTHG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 341
#90256c0591 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ROBERT J KLEIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WORTHINGTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WTHG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $21.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90256c0593 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOSEPH H STEGMAYER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WORTHINGTON

INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WTHG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,618.

-30- 347
#90256c0594 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MARTY R KITTRELL, VP OF EXIDE ELECTRONICS GRP INC. (TICKER: XUPS), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,000.

-30- 328
#90256c0595 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 01, 1990, ROBERT W ZAK JR, VP OF Y & A GROUP INC. (TICKER: YGRP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 300
#90256c0596 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, PETER S WILLMOTT, DIR. OF ZENITH ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: ZE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90256c0597 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, PETER S WILLMOTT, DIR. OF ZENITH ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: ZE), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,500.

-30- 326
#90256c0598 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 16

GROUP LED BY D.C. WALENTAS OWNS 731,100 SHARES (14.40%) OF BUILDERS TRANSPORT INC (TICKER: TRUK) OF CAMDEN, SC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On September 12, 1990, counsel to the independent stockholders' committee of Builders Transport, Inc. sent a letter to the board of directors of the company and counsel to the company informing the board of the committee's reactions to the proposed offer by Trism Inc. to acquire all of the common stock of the company.

-30- 664
#90256c0599 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

CORPORATE DATA SCIENCES INC OF MANHATTAN BEACH, CA OWNS 22,119,256 SHARES (72.40%) OF ARIL GROUP THE (TICKER: ARILE) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 30, 1990 CDS acquired 16,900,000 shares of Aril Group's common stock from Aril Group in accordance with the terms of an exchange agreement, as amended, pursuant to which, CDS transferred to Aril Group all of the outstanding common stock of Medallion Kitchens of Minnesota Inc., and Medallion Kitchens, Inc. Aril Group loaned $400,000 to CDS and agreed to guarantee a note payable to CDS to the former owner of Medallion of $40,000. The loan is evidenced by a note receivable of $525,013, which sum includes additional advances in the amount of $125,013 made by the issuer to CDS through August, 1990; the note is due Jan. 31, 1991 and bears interest at 12 percent. The exchange was consummated as part of a corporate restructuring and upon completion, CDS intends to divest itself of the shares of Aril Group through a distribution or spin-off of such shares to CDS's shareholders on a pro-rata basis. As a result of the spin-off, CDS will be left with a single subsidiary, CPC, and will not be conducting any operations unrelated to CPC and afterwhich, CPC will merge into CDS and it will engage in operations solely in the paper industry.

PURPOSE:

Exchange consummation as the first part of the restructuring process.

-30- 1620
#90256c0601 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

TNI INC OWNS 3,790,389 SHARES (74.20%) OF NASTA INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER:

NAS) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release, dated Sept. 11, 1990, Tyco Toys Inc. announced it has signed an agreement to purchase the business of Playtime Products Inc. for the purchase price of $15 million, with additional contingent payments of up to $6 million through 1993, depending on the performance of Playtime. The purchase is expected to be completed by late October. Tyco also extended, from Sept. 11 1990 until Sept. 28, 1990, its offer to purchase any and all common shares of Nasta International Inc. for $1 per share in cash.

-30- 836
#90256c0602 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY SOUTH CAROLINA TEES INC OF COLUMBIA, SC OWNS 867,685 SHARES (18.00%) OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: ONA) OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 18, 1990 through Sept. 5, 1990, South Carolina Tees Inc. acquired 96,400 shares at a price of $6.69 to $8.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares.

-30- 547
#90256c0603 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

C.J. WALSH OWNS 74,070 SHARES (13.65%) OF STEPHAN CO (TICKER: STCP) OF FT. LAUDERDALE, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 14, 1990, Walsh released 15,000 shares covered under an existing option agreement, cutting the total number of shares under the option to 49,970.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 486
#90256c0604 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

CORPORATE DATA SCIENCES INC OF MANHATTAN BEACH, CA OWNS 2,604,833 SHARES (90.00%) OF CONSOLIDATED PACKAGING CORP (TICKER: CLPC) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 30, 1990, CDS acquired 16.9 million common shares of ARIL Group Inc. in exchange for all the outstanding shares of Medallion Kitchens of Minnesota Inc. and Medallion Kitchens Inc. ARIL loaned CDS $400,000 and agreed to guarantee a $40,000 note of CDS payable to the former owner of the Medallion companies. In connection with the note, CDS issued 60,000 of its common shares to Medallion and transferred 57,854 common shares of CPC to ARIL. CDS has the option to purchase the company shares for an aggregate of $1,000 upon repayment of the note. CDS plans to divest itself of the ARIL shares through a spin-off to CPC shareholders that will leave CDS with CPC as its only subsidiary. CDS will merge the company into itself and will engage in operations related to the paper industry.

PURPOSE:

Restructuring of the filer to allow the company to function as a public entity.

-30- 1285
#90256c0605 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

E.J. SCHAEFER OWNS 1,395,826 SHARES (23.30%) OF FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO (TICKER: FELE) OF BLUFFTON, IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT: On Aug. 24, 1989, the company consummated a plan of recapitalization pursuant to which each old share owned by E.J. Schaefer was reclassified into one share plus shares of class A and B cumulative preferred shares. The recapitalization did not result in a change of the number of shares held by E.J. Schaefer. On Oct. 28, 1988, and amended Dec. 12, 1988,

E.J. Schaefer entered into a stock redemption agreement with the company limiting the sale or transfer of his shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

E.J. Schaefer purchased 70,000 shares in May and June 1990 for $63,000.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 932
#90256c0606 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990, Manville Corp. (TICKER: MVL) and the Trust announced, pursuant to a previous court order, that an agreement in principal had been reached with respect to the funding of the Trust by Manville. The agreement provides for the series A preferred stock to be converted into 72 million common shares, resulting in the Trust holding 80 percent of the common stock, Manville would thereafter pay special distributions to all holders of common stock as follows: $125 million payable 90 days after the later of Sept. 30, 1991 or the entry of final court orders rearranging the methods for settlement of claims; $125 million one year later; and $50 million payable in each of the third and fourth years, Manville would make additional payments in the fourth through seventh years if certain agreed upon profitability thresholds are exceeded, and the terms of the bond and second bond would be amended to enhance the ability of the Trust to sell all or portions of them.

PURPOSE:

Restructuring agreement.

-30- 1262
#90256c0607 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY SUTER PLC OWNS 1,270,000 SHARES (9.90%) OF SUDBURY INC (TICKER: SUDS) OF CLEVELAND, OH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 10, 1990, Sudbury's board elected A.G.V. Owen, a director of Suter PLC and managing director of Suter Industrial Group, to its board and Mr. Abell was invited to attend board meetings with the possibility that another board seat may be created in the future. Owen ran for election at the request of Sudbury Inc.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Longform purchased 50,000 shares from Aug. 16-23, 1990 for $1.88 to $2 per share.

-30- 744
#90256c0609 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J.C. KERR OWNS 856,068 SHARES (11.50%) OF TESCORP INC (TICKER: TESCC) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the reorganization of American Century Corp., Tescorp Inc. acquired ACC convertible debentures on July 11, 1990 in exchange for Tescorp common, preferred and common warrants. In the transaction, J.C. Kerr received 47,900 common shares, 49,628 preferred shares, and 192,248 warrants to purchase common stock. Also on July 11, 1990, J.C. Kerr purchased 56,216 shares from the chairman of Tescorp for $2.47 per share in cash and exercised options for 188,304 shares for a total exercise price of $3,764.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 867
#90256c0610 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY J.M. DAVIS OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 3,831,899 SHARES (27.00%) OF CORTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC (TICKER: CORX) OF IRVINE, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 2 to Aug. 31, 1990, J.M. Davis purchased 90,492 and sold 54,600 common shares $.65 to $1 per share, purchased 67,100 and sold 42,600 class A shares for $.19 to $.30 per share and purchased 46,100 and sold 13,758 units for $2.71 to $4.50 per unit.

-30- 628
#90256c0611 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The companies have been advised by Hershey (TICKER: HSO) that on Aug. 29, 1990 Hershey was merged with and into HO Acquisition Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of American Exploration Co., pursuant to the terms of an amended and restated agreement and plan of merger, dated as of May 9, 1990, among Hershey Oil Corp., American Exploration Co. and HO Acquisition Corp. On the same date, each share was converted automatically into the right to receive the acquisition consideration pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement and the companies ceased to beneficially own the shares.

-30- 799
#90256c0612 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GLENMEDE TR CO OF PHILADELPHIA, PA OWNS 9,665,329 SHARES (11.10%) OF ORYX ENERGY CO (TICKER: ORX) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 11, 1990 Oryx repurchased from the Charitable Trusts 18 million shares of common stock at a price of $53.75 per share. Of the total purchase price, $367,500,000 was paid in cash and $600,000,000 in the form of an Oryx note (the Bridge Note); also on Sept. 11, 1990, Oryx exchanged 7,259,394 shares for an identical number of shares of a newly-authorized series B junior cumulative convertible preference stock which is convertible, share for share, into common stock. Glenmede and Oryx entered a registration rights agreement dated Sept. 11, 1990 and executed a stock purchase agreement of the same date. Glenmede's John G. Pew Jr., director, and Albert E. Piscopo, chief financial officer, resigned on Sept. 11, 1990 and Oryx's board adopted a stock purchase

rights plan and declared a dividend distribution of one stock purchase right on each outstanding share of common stock entitling stockholders to buy shares of a newly-created series of preference stock of Oryx, which rights will be exercisable if certain groups or persons acquire 20 percent or more of the common stock.

PURPOSE:

Disposition of common stock.

-30- 1488
#90256c0613 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990, Qume Corp.(TICKER: QUME) mailed to all stockholders of record on Aug. 21, 1990 a proxy statement, notice of annual meeting of stockholders and proxy card relating to the merger.

PURPOSE:

Mailing of proxy materials.

-30- 445
#90256c0614 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 2,285,000 SHARES (5.20%) OF AMETEK INC (TICKER: AME) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 393
#90256c0615 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 316,000 SHARES (5.10%) OF TELEBIT CORP (TICKER: TBIT).

-30- 311
#90256c0617 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - Nestor Inc.(TICKER: NEST), a Providence, R.I., maker of computer systems, has raised $704,128 with the sale of 352,064 newly created series A preferred shares to Siligos S.A. of France, for $2 each according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The preferred shares are convertible into common shares on a one-to-one basis.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 13, 1990.

-30- 603
#90256c0618 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - Tampa, Fla.-based Bicoastal Corp. (TICKER: SIGP) has sold its Link-Miles Ltd. subsidiary to Thomson (U.K.) Holding Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Thomson-CSF, for $100 million, including $70 million cash.

Link-Miles, which is based in Lancing, Britain, develops and manufactures military and commercial-aircraft simulators, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The deal was approved by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Tampa, which has jurisdiction over Bicoastal.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 13, 1990.

-30- 769
#90256c0619 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - San Antonio, Texas-based The Exploration Co. (TICKER: TXCO) received leasehold interests in 30,155 acres in Zavala and Maverick counties, Texas, plus $500,000 cash from its major shareholder, Spectrum Resources Inc., in exchange for 20.4 million restricted common shares.

As part of the Aug. 28 deal, Exploration Co. will repay about $280,000 in outstanding accounts to Spectrum Resources, according to a Securities and

Exchange Commission filing.

The acreage, though nonproducing, is located in the highly publicized Austin Chalk trend, which is undergoing extensive drilling.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 13, 1990.

-30- 866

#90256c0620 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - Chicago-based North Shore Gas Co. has signed an administrative order and consent with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency requiring the company to implement and conduct an investigation and feasibility study of waste removal for a site in Waukegan, Ill.

North Shore Gas, a subsidiary of Peoples Energy Corp., had conducted manufactured-gas and coking operations at the site.

Under the terms of the order, North Shore Gas is responsible for the cost of the investigations and study, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The company believes it will recover some of the costs from other parties responsible for the site.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 13, 1990.

-30- 985

#90256c0621 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - Scottsdale, Ariz.-based Stan West Mining Corp.(TICKER: SWMC) has agreed to trade a controlling 80 percent interest in the company to Frenchurch Group Inc. in exchange for Frenchurch's subsidiary, First International Acceptance Corp., according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 13, 1990.

-30- 562

#90256c0622 09/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - Dallas-based Halter Venture Corp. has acquired two parcels of land totalling 8.5 acres in Eagle Park industrial park in DeSoto, Texas, from Argent Arbre Inc. for $901,500, according to a

Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 13, 1990.

-30- 498
#90256c0623 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 13) COMTEX - Arkla Inc.(TICKER: ALG), a Shreveport, La., energy-pipeline company, and the Arkansas Public Service Commission have been sued by an Arkansas resident who alleges that both parties engaged in racketeering in connection with a 1982 deal between Arkla and Arkoma Production Co.

The suit, filed in federal court in Little Rock by Bill Cullum, claims that Arkla and the PSC participated in a conspiracy to defraud Arkla ratepayers in a series of deals connected with the 1982 transaction, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Cullum is seeking class-action status for the suit.

Cullum is seeking $100 million in actual damages, which would be trebled to $300 million under federal racketeering statutes, plus $1 billion in punitive damages.

Arkla said it believes the suit is without merit and will defend itself against the action.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 13, 1990.

-30- 1148
#90256c0625 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

D.C.W. YEH OF KOWLOON, HONG KONG OWNS 7,118,664 SHARES (65.14%) OF UNIVERSAL MATCHBOX GROUP LTD (TICKER: UMG) OF KOWLOON, HONG KONG.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is being filed to correct an overstatement of the number of shares held by D.C.W. Yeh that resulted from the failure to subtract 854,000 shares previously subject to conversion rights under the 10 percent convertible notes due 1992 held by him.

-30- 625
#90256c0626 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY PRUTECH PROJECT DEV PARTNERS OWNS 1,323,150 SHARES (10.70%) OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: BEAM) OF WATERTOWN, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Prutech Project Dev Partners sold 549,550 shares from Aug. 23-28, 1990 for $11 to $11.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

To obtain equity investment for long term investment.

-30- 533
#90256c0627 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 13, 1990, RVI announced that it and the other defendants to the consolidated shareholder class actions has entered into a memorandum of understanding setting forth the terms of a settlement.

-30- 405
#90256c0628 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an agreement and plan of merger between Millyard Holding Corp., Millyard Acquisition Corp. and Shaer Shoe Corp. (TICKER: SHS) on Aug. 22, 1990 each of Shaer Shoe Corp.'s shares were converted into the right to an

unspecified amount of cash. Effective Aug. 28, 1990, such shares were cancelled.

PURPOSE:

Conversion of shares due to merger.

-30- 570
#90256c0629 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an agreement and plan of merger between Millyard Holding Corp., Millyard Acquisition Corp. and Shaer Shoe Corp.(TICKER: SHS) on Aug. 22, 1990, each of Shaer Shoe Corp.'s shares were converted into the right to an unspecified amount of cash. Effective Aug. 28, 1990, such shares were cancelled.

PURPOSE:

Conversion of shares due to merger.

-30- 565
#90256c0630 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an agreement and plan of merger between Millyard Holding Corp., Millyard Acquisition Corp. and Shaer Shoe Corp.(TICKER: SHS) on Aug. 22, 1990, each of Shaer Shoe Corp.'s shares were converted into the right to an unspecified amount of cash. Effective Aug. 28, 1990, such shares were cancelled.

PURPOSE:

Conversion of shares due to merger.

-30- 570
#90256c0631 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY SBSF NDE GROUP LP OWNS 1,120,565 SHARES (32.90%) OF NDE ENVIRONMENTAL CORP (TICKER: NDEC) OF TORRANCE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In connection with the issuance of series A preferred stock and the issuance of warrants, two executive officers of Spears, Benzak were elected to NDE Environmental Corp.'s board. On July 10, 1990, Spears, Benzak entered into a consulting and financial advisory agreement with NDE Environmental Corp. for a period of two years to provide consulting and financial advice on all financial matters of NDE Environmental Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 10, 1990, 1,000 shares of series A preferred stock were acquired for an undisclosed purchase price by NDE Group and warrants to purchase 55,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of $6.25 per share were acquired by Spears, Benzak.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1090
#90256c0635 09/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

HARRIS CORP OF MELBOURNE, FL OWNS 1,483,333 SHARES (15.80%) OF SYNTREX INC (TICKER: STRX) OF EATONTOWN, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The warrant to purchase 1,333,333 shares was issued to Harris on Sept. 11, 1990, in connection with the amendment of certain terms of the LBSD acquisition. The exercise price under the warrant, $1.50 per share, is payable either in cash or by surrender of all or part of a note payable to Harris by Syntrex Inc. Harris and Syntrex Inc. are parties to registration rights agreements pertaining to the acquisition of shares as a result of exercising the warrants and relating to the 150,000 shares acquired by Harris concerning

the LBSD transactions.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 903
#90256d0020 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CRETEIL, FRANCE (SEPT. 13) - A well-connected Iraqi appeared in court in a Paris suburb Thursday accused of sawing up an Indian friend with a bread knife spraying the body in blue and dumping the pieces on a rubbish dump.

Aziz Allawi, 62, who told police he was "more famous than the president of Iraq", is accused of murdering his Indian landlord, 40-year-old Abdul Rahmani, in April 1988.

Mr. Allawi, who initially confessed to the killing, later retracted.

Witnesses said that the Iraqi was about to be evicted from his lodgings.

Mr. Rahmani's mutilated body was identified after being found in plastic bags on a rubbish dump at a local market.

Mr. Allawi is from a wealthy family of Baghdad tradesmen. One of his sisters is married to the assistant governor of the Bank of Iraq.

-30- 982
#90256d0040 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANJUL (SEPT. 13) - A delegation of the ECOWAS-backed interim Liberian government will shortly visit Sierra Leone, Ghana and Nigeria for top-level talks, officials said here Thursday.

Officials gave no dates for the tour, but informed sources said the team would probably go after talks here with the Executive Secretary of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), Abass Bundu.

A reliable source said the Liberian delegation would probably be led by Amos Sawyer, a political science professor who was appointed leader of the interim administration in talks among Liberian factions here early this month.

A first interim government team, led by Levy Zangai, another academic and head of the Liberia Action Party, left the Gambian capital for Monrovia on Tuesday, a day after President Samuel Doe was reported killed by rebels.

Informed sources here said the interim government was awaiting the green light from an ECOWAS peace-keeping force in Monrovia before disembarking in the

Liberian capital, where rival rebel factions led by Prince Johnson and Charles Taylor and Doe loyalists commanded by General David Nimley were still fighting after the death of Mr. Doe.

Prince Johnson and Gen. Nimley, head of Mr. Doe's presidential guard, have both proclaimed themselves acting president.

Mr. Taylor, who has been calling himself president since July, is the only one of the three to oppose ECOWAS imtervention. His ill-disciplined forces control most of Liberia outside the capital.

ECOWAS Executive Secretary Bundu was expected in Banjul later Thursday. He was Wednesday in Ghana for talks with head of state Jerry Rawlings and was due in other capitals of the five nations that have contributed to the peace-keeping force.

Meanwhile in Strasbourg, the European Parliament called on Thursday for an "immediate end to the fighting" in Liberia and the convening of a "national conference" among all parties concerned to seek a "political solution".

-30- 2182

#90256d0050 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (SEPT. 13) - Italy had a trade surplus in July of 1,931 billion lire (1.65 billion dollars), the National Statistics Institute reported on Thursday.

The figure is an improvement on the surplus of 1,250 billion lire (1.06 billion dollars) scored in June.

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#90256d0070 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Sydney (SEPT. 13) - Nineteen women taking part in a golf tournament in Newcastle, Australia, were struck by lightning Thursday.

Some of the women were thrown to the ground, others suffered electric shocks. Ten of the women were taken to the hospital, where their injuries were said to be minor.

''All of a sudden a huge streak of lightning came down and there was an enormous clap of thunder,'' said Deborah Snelson, manager of the Belmont Golf Club. The tournament is to be reheld at a later date.

-30- 674

#90256d0080 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (SEPT. 13) - Greece has decided to try a suspected Palestinian terrorist rather than extradite him to the United States, Greek Justice

Minister Athanase Canellopoulos said Thursday.

Mohammed Rashid, whom the United States blames for the bombing of a Pan Am airliner over Hawaii in which one Japanese died and fifteen other passengers were injured, was arrested in May 1988.

Mr. Rashid has denied any role in the bombing and claims he is actually Mohammed Hamdan. A leftist Greek politician has said he is close to Yasser Arafat, the leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

His case has become a domestic issue in Greece since he was arrested. The Greek Supreme Court agreed to extradite him in May 1989, but the Socialist government of the time did not carry out the order.

The next two governments, which were conservative, also decided to stall on the issue, partly because of opposition from the Communist Party.

Meanwhile, Mr. Rashid has successively been sentenced to five months in jail for entering Greece on a false passport and eight months for illegal possession of a weapon.

Greece has signed the Montreal Convention on terrorism, which provides for trials of a suspect to take place either in the country that asked for extradition or the country in which he or she was arrested.

-30- 1507

#90256d0110 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HABUR, TURKEY (SEPT. 13) - Ten thousand Bangladeshi refugees will be airlifted home to Dacca under an agreement disclosed on Thursday between the United Nations Disaster Relief Organization and Turkish Airlines.

UNDRO's coordinator, Edmund Cain, said 3,000 Bangladeshis have already been airlifted home, 1,000 of them through UNDRO. He said the whole program will cost almost seven million dollars.

Turkish President Turgut Ozal, who was Thursday touring the border area here with Bangladeshi President Mohammed Ershad, said Turkey was ready to speed up the airlift.

There are 7,000 Bangladeshis awaiting repatriation in camps in Turkey along the Iraqi border, and another 20,000 are estimated to be waiting to enter Turkey from Iraq.

-30- 934

#90256d0380 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT. 13) - Libyan leader Colonel Moamer Kadhafi met Thursday with

visiting Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmad al-Sabah in Tripoli, the Libyan news agency JANA reported.

The agency in a dispatch received here said Sheikh Sabah later left Libya. The report did not dislcose the substance of the talks.

Libya voted against a resolution adopted by the Arab League August 10 that condemned the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait eight days earlier.

Colonel Kadhafi on September 1 called for the deployment of United Nations forces in Kuwait to replace those from Iraq.

-30- 746
#90256d0390 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (SEPT. 13) - More than one million Soviet Jews will emigrate to Israel in a period of two years starting in 1991, the daily Davar reported here Thursday.

The social democratic daily quoted sources from inside a government committee on immigration as saying that about 400,000 Soviet Jews would settle in Israel in 1991 and some 650,000 during the following year.

These figures were in contrast to the version of Israeli Premier Itzhak Shamir's government, which recently said about 150,000 Soviet Jews would emigrate to Israel this year and 250,000 in 1991.

The official figures were based on current transportation capacities due to the fact that Jews were leaving the Soviet Union mainly via Hungary and Romania.

Experts said the emigration wave could rise when a direct air link is established between Moscow and Tel Aviv, thus putting more economic strain on current settlement plans.

-30- 1098
#90256d0440 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 13) - Japan and the European Economic Community (EEC) are discussing limiting Japanese car exports to Europe but have not yet reached an agreement, Japanese and European officials said Thursday.

"The talks are exploratory and have not yet concluded," said Michael Lake, counselor at the European Commission's delegation to Japan.

Officials at the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) also said the talks were exploratory and had not finished.

A Japanese newspaper reported earlier that car exporters planned to adopt "voluntary restraints" towards the EEC during a five-year transitional period before the complete liberalization of the European car market in 1998.

The Mainichi Shimbun said the Japanese car industry would adopt the restraints apparently similar to those which already restrict exports to the United States, following the 1992 abolition of internal trade barriers in the EEC.

The report, quoting a draft agreement between Tokyo and Brussels, said the adoption of the restraints depended on agreements by five countries including France, Italy and Spain to abolish existing import quotas.

Under the agreement, the Japanese Government would continue monitoring exports to the EEC every quarter under a system launched in 1986.

Tokyo and Brussels have also agreed to set up a working group to discuss industry issues and ensure the smooth liberalization of the market, the report said.

-30- 1642

#90256d0450 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (SEPT. 13) - Angolan and South African officials emerged from bilateral talks here agreeing to look into "direct channels of communication", a South African spokeswoman said Thursday.

The agreement follows an Angolan claim that a South African naval vessel in Zaire was off-loading supplies to the rebel National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA).

The explanation from Pretoria, in a diplomatic note that was apparently never received in Luanda, was that a South African task force was being sent to help the Zairean navy upgrade its facilities.

"Both sides keenly want direct contact but it's far too early for diplomatic ties. Right now it means phones and faxes," the spokeswoman said.

South African foreign affairs Director-General Neil van Heerden stressed at Wednesday's talks that the two countries were "destined to be partners", she said.

The talks were frank and "we talked openly out of our hearts about things that worried us ... in an engaged fashion", he said. A follow-up meeting was likely within the next day, the spokeswoman added.

The bilateral talks preceded a two-day meeting which began here Thursday of a joint commission comprising South Africa, Angola, Cuba and Namibia to discuss conflict in the region and the withdrawal of Cuban troops from Angola.

Satisfaction that the withdrawal was on course was reportedly expressed by delegates to the commission, who are to issue a joint communique later Thursday.

The Cuban forces, which had numbered some 50,000, were assisting the Luanda government counter the U.S.-backed UNITA rebels led by Jonas Savimbi. The Cuban soldiers are due to have left by July 1991.

The commission was established in 1988 to oversee a U.S.-brokered regional peace accord for Namibian independence and the Cuban withdrawal. Namibia became a member of it on acceding to independence on March 21.

In an opening address to the session, Namibian Foreign Affairs Minister Theo-Ben Gurirab said peace in south-western Africa and southern Africa were indivisible.

An area of major concern was the continuing "bleeding, suffering and destruction" in Angola, he said, while prospects for a peaceful solution in South Africa were increasingly being blurred by mounting violence there.

The Namibian minister described America's covert aid to UNITA in the 15-year-old Angolan civil war as "unwarranted and increasing". Such material assistance constituted "interference" in Angola's domestic affairs.

But Assistant U.S. Secretary of State for African Affairs Herman Cohen reportedly said support to UNITA would encourage the Angolan government to negotiate a fair settlement.

Angolan deputy defence minister and chief-of-staff General Antonio dos Santos Franca Ndalu said continued American support to UNITA had a negative effect on the withdrawal of Cuban forces from his country.

Mr. Van Heerden, heading the South African delegation to the meeting, said that although the Angolan government was suspicious because of Pretoria's "diplomatic support" of UNITA, "we can work with each other".

But relations could never be normalised until there was national reconciliation in Angola, he added.

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#90256d0460 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 13) - South African Airways (SAA), the national carrier, announced here Thursday it would impose an eight percent fuel levy on all domestic flights from Monday in response to "unusual" hikes in fuel prices.

The fixed aircraft fuel price for September was 33.5 percent up on August's

price, SAA spokesman Leon Els said, following the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent Gulf blockade by western nations.

Indications were that the October price could be 55 percent up on the August level, Els said.

The levy would have to be 12.6 percent to cover the higher costs, but SAA had decided to peg it at eight percent and save money by scrapping the 24 least used of its 684 weekly domestic flights.

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#90256d0500 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (SEPT. 13) - More than 1,600 Pakistanis stranded in Kuwait and Iraq arrived here Thursday by ship from the Jordanian port of Aqaba, officials said.

Many of the returnees burst into tears as they disembarked, witnesses said.

About 44,000 Pakistanis have returned from Kuwait and Iraq by air, land and sea, the official Associated Press of Pakistan reported.

There were now no more stranded Pakistanis in Turkey and Jordan, it said, but their arrival via Iran was continuing.

At the time of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, 90,000 Pakistanis were in the sheikhdom and 30,000 in Iraq.

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#90256d0510 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) - The White House Thursday rejected congressional attempts to link the future of U.S. troops stationed in Japan with Tokyo's willingness to contribute to the costs of the U.S. military deployment in the Gulf.

"We don't see any linkage between the situation with our forces in Japan and the situation in the Persian Gulf," said presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater.

He was reacting to an vote Wednesday in the House of Representatives, where deputies angered over Tokyo's perceived reluctance to help pay for the Gulf deployment demanded that Japan pay the total costs of keeping some 50,000 U.S. troops in Japan.

The House resolution, an amendment tacked onto a vote on the U.S. defense budget, called for the withdrawal of 5,000 U.S. troops per year from Japan if Tokyo does not shoulder the full cost for the troops.

"We don't believe it's an appropriate way to conduct the foreign policy or to gage our relationship with Japan," Mr. Fitzwater said of the House vote.

President George Bush's spokesman acknowledged that the House vote "does express the sentiment of the Congress and I think Japan is aware of the general feeling in the Congress towards some of their activities."

"But we do not think it's appropriate in terms of making judgement about the defense of Japan," he added.

"We note that Japan has been quite helpful in other areas, they've been helpful in the Persian Gulf, they have been responsive and indicate they are going to be more responsive in terms of burden-sharing," he said.

Following the House vote, Japan's Foreign Ministry Thursday said Tokyo would continue to search for ways of increasing its share of the cost of maintaining U.S. forces in Japan.

Japan's contribution to the cost of maintaining U.S. troops in the country rose from 2.1 billion dollars in fiscal 1989 to 2.3 billion dollars in fiscal 1990 starting in March.

The United States is contributing 4.5 billion dollars a year.

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#90256d0580 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 13) - The Soviet Union proposed Thursday that the Supreme National Council (SNC) set up in Jakarta by the four Cambodian factions occupy the Cambodian seat at the United Nations.

In a communique distributed by Tass news agency, the Soviet Foreign Ministry said it considered the creation of the SNC "an important step towards national reconciliation in the country" and called for the U.N. seat to go the SNC.

The communique praised the decision by the Cambodian parties to form the SNC and their decision to approve the agreement on a solution to the Cambodian conflict put forward by the United Nations Security Council.

"We call upon the Cambodian parties to continue to act in the spirit of good will that they showed at the Jakarta meeting," the communique said.

"For us, the question today is to immediately end hostilities in Cambodia, bring an end to foreign military aid to all the Cambodian parties and establish a United Nations mechanism in the country," the foreign ministry said.

Representatives of Cambodia's four warring factions announced Thursday they

will hold consutations in Bangkok ahead of next week's United Nations General Assembly session.

The U.N.-brokered peace accord worked out in Jakarta calls for a cease-fire and the formation of the SNC as an interim authority including all four warring factions. It also calls for the SNC to occupy the U.N seat now held by the tripartite Cambodian resistance.

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#90256d0630 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (SEPT. 13) - France's President Francois Mitterrand suggested Prague would make a good site for "permanent institutions" in the new Europe, as he began a two-day visit here Thursday.

It is his first trip to Czechoslovakia since the collapse of the communist regime last November.

At an official luncheon after private talks with President Vaclav Havel, Mr. Mitterrand expressed wholehearted support for his host and Czechoslovakia's return to what he called its place in a no-longer divided Europe.

His statements were seen as an indirect response to Mr. Havel, who earlier this week expressed hope that Prague might become home for the future permanent secretariat of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE).

"Czechoslovakia and Prague are particularly qualified, for geographical and historical reasons, to receive permanent institutions," Mr. Mitterrand said.

French presidential spokesman Hubert Vedrine said the forthcoming CSCE summit in Paris in November had been a key point of the two leaders' morning meeting.

In his luncheon statement, Mr. Mitterrand also proposed Prague for any European "forums" called to examine French proposals for a confederal-style "new Europe" aimed at bringing together all the countries of the continent.

Mr. Havel has expressed interest in the idea, which on Thursday he called "one of the most brillant proposals for the future of Europe".

The Czechoslovak president also referred to the recent Iraqi "aggression against Kuwait", and recalled the 1938 Munich Agreement signed by then-British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain and Hitler that led to Czechoslovakia's occupation and dissolution by the Nazis.

Baghdad's action "revived the old lesson of Munich: that the politics of apeasement cannot have any long-term success. On the contrary, it is detrimental," Mr. Havel said.

But he believed the support seen for the "unprecedent action of the United Nations" in voting an embargo on Iraq showed that the world had "taken a step forward".

Mr. Mitterrand too said it was time to renew relations between France and Czechoslovakia "worthy of the period before the painful rupture".

He hailed the two countries' cultural ties, but said trade and economic cooperation between the two countries was "not yet up to our expectations or possibilities".

In a clear reference to Germany, Mr. Havel replied that it would not be "wise to have economic relations only with out closest neighbors" and that "France could become a much more important partner".

"Only a united and stronger Europe will be able to ward off the threat of instability that has not disappeared and contribute, politically and economically to the world's equilibrium," said Mr. Mitterrand, stressing that the forthcoming CSCE summit was "capital" in this respect.

He also hailed the "Two-plus-Four" accords signed in Moscow Wednesday, which he said "answered our concerns, notably about recognizing the intangibility of borders".

Later Thursday, Mr. Mitterrand will address the Czechoslovak parliament -- the first Western leader to do so since before World War II.

He is also due to meet Prime Minister Marian Calfa.

Mr. Mitterrand, who is accompanied by five ministers and several business leaders, will travel Friday to Bratislava.

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#90256d0690 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) - The Baghdad government Thursday refused to allow independent organisations distribute food in Iraq approved by the United Nations for humanitarian reasons, as the U.S. meanwhile said it would take months to deploy sufficient troops in the Gulf to ensure Saudi Arabia's security.

Iraqi U.N. Ambassador Abdul Amir al-Anbari said that in the current situation his country could not permit foreign authorities to control an important aspect of its economy. ''It would not only be utterly humiliating but demoralising to the population,'' he stated.

Under the U.N. embargo imposed August 6, food may be delivered to Iraq only

''in humanitarian circumstances''. Reports said thousands of Asians living in Iraq and Iraqi-annexed Kuwait were threatened by starvation.

The commander of American forces in the Gulf, General Norman Schwarzkopf, Thursday was quoted by the daily Washington Post as saying that it would take another two months until sufficient troops had been deployed in the Gulf.

Problems had arisen in transporting heavy equipment by ship, causing a week's delay, Schwarzkopf said. The airlifting of troops and equipment must also be slowed because many of the Air Force's planes are older models that can not take the strain.

''But give me a few more months, and then we'll surely have the ground troops we need to defend Saudi Arabia against any attack (the Iraqis) may be planning '' he added.

In Washington, an indirect call for Jihad, or holy war, against U.S. troops in the Gulf issued Wednesday by Iranian spiritual leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei met with a cautious response by State Department spokesman Richard Boucher.

The State Department was still waiting for the full text of Khamenei's address he said. As long as there was no evidence to the contrary, the U.S. continued to assume that Iran would abide by the U.N. resolutions and observe the embargo against Iraq as promised earlier.

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#90256d0750 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (SEPT. 13) - A special court hearing accusations against ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto on Thursday deferred consideration of a misuse of power case until Tuesday due to the lack of some documents, court sources said.

Four cases against Ms. Bhutto, which could disqualify her from elections, have been filed in special courts here and in Lahore, about 1,000 kilometers (620 miles) north of Karachi.

The second case was presented on Thursday in the court of Justice Wajihuddin Ahmed and involved allegations of abuse of power in awarding a contract for the purchase of cotton.

After a preliminary statement from the counsel for state on behalf of President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, further consideration of the case was adjourned until Tuesday pending submission of documents.

On the same day, another case will come up pertaining to an attempt to change a consultancy contract for the Asian Development Bank-financed Karachi electric supply scheme.

If the cases are admitted, notice would be issued to Ms. Bhutto to appear either in person or through a counsel.

If she decides to boycott the proceedings, a decision could be taken against her which may lead to her disqualification from politics for seven years.

Ms. Bhutto has described the cases as deplorable and intimidation to keep her out of politics. She has vowed to challenge the charges in court.

The president dismissed Ms. Bhutto on August 6 after charging her with corruption and abuse of power. The former prime minister charged that the president was acting under pressure from the military.

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#90256d0760 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 13) - British merchant banking concern Kleinwort Benson Group announced on Thursday the appointment of former Bank of Japan Deputy Governer Takeshi Ohta as a non-executive director.

Mr. Ohta, who retired from his position with the Japanese central bank earlier this year, will have special responsibility for advising the group on development of its Japanese business.

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#90256d0800 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEVERS, France (SEPT. 13) - French farmers protesting the fall in meat prices armed with clubs and hurling missiles, injured five policemen in clashes Thursday during a demonstration by 10,000 people, police said.

Police retaliated with tear gas against groups of angry farmers who marched past the central administrative headquarters here pelting them with eggs and empty beer bottles, witnesses said.

The demonstrators also set fire to piles of tyres and ripped up road signs as they made their way through this central town where schools were closed for the day and many stores kept their shutters down.

The protest march was the latest action by the French farmers who want further measures by Paris and Brussels to compensate for their loss in earnings due to the sudden fall in lamb and beef prices, which they blame on imports from East Germany.

In Paris, meanwhile, French Agriculture Minister Henri Nallet told a news conference that the government was putting the finishing touches to a fresh package containing "significant emergency aid" for breeders.

But he warned that "to work effectively, calm must be restored."

The minister on August 31 offered the farmers a total 1.2 billion francs (226 million dollars) in aid.

But the breeders said the measures were insufficient as they were only earmarked for those affected by drought, or farmers in 44 regions out of a total 100 in France.

In an interview Thursday with the daily La Nouvelle Republique du Centre-ouest published in the centre-west region where many French breeders are located, Mr. Nallet also said that the European Commission and "German government" had agreed to send East German meat surpluses to third countries.

A total 100,000 tonnes of meat "should thus get out of the common market", for countries such as the Soviet Union, he said.

Mr. Nallet's remarks came after Monday's announcement in Berlin by West German Agriculture Minister Ignaz Kiechle that both Germanies had agreed to export 255,000 tonnes of East German beef and pork to the Soviet Union, instead of western Europe.

The British and French farmers' unions, which had been at loggerheads since June when French breeders began hijacking British and eastern European lamb and beef imports, on Wednesday agreed to urge Brussels to tighten controls on East German imports into the European Economic Community.

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#90256d0830 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 13) - The U.N. Security Council was set to meet Thursday to seek agreement on how to provide humanitarian aid to hundreds of thousands of foreign workers stranded in Iraq and Kuwait.

The Security Council ruling was needed because a U.N. sanctions committee failed to find a way of allowing food shipments into Iraq and Kuwait without undermining a U.N.-mandated trade embargo slapped on Iraq for its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The debate would also deal with whether emergency food deliveries would be handled by specialized international organizations to ensure that they reached only the neediest.

Iraq's ambassador to the United Nations, Abdul Amir al Anbari, Wednesday refused to allow international organizations to distribute the food, saying it would be "not only humiliating, but demoralizing for the population."

U.N. resolution 661, adopted August 6, allows only medical supplies into

Baghdad, but also provides for food shipments on humanitarian grounds.

The U.N. sanctions committee was said to be torn between those countries intent on a no-exceptions embargo and those -- primarily India, Sri Lanka and the Philippines -- who wanted to get food to a large number of their expatriate workers stranded in tent cities within the embargoed region.

Iran, with which Iraq resumed diplomatic relations only this week, has also indicated it favors providing humanitarian aid to Baghdad.

Yemen and Cuba, the two Security Council members that have abstained from all resolutions condemning the Iraqi aggression, favored food shipments but opposed any stipulation that they go only to foreign workers, insisting that humanitarian aid be available to all those suffering from the embargo.

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#90256d0890 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 13) - Aluminium continued its recent strong climb on the London Metal Exchange (LME) here Thursday.

Three-months metal was quoted at 2,035 dollars per tonne on the afternoon kerb against 2,034 in afternoon ring deals and 2,002 on Wednesday.

Cash metal, at 2,124 dollars per tonne Thursday, stands at a 15-month high, and has climbed almost 400 dollars per tonne to in the past four weeks.

Sentiment has been boosted by supply concerns connected with the Gulf crisis. Aluminium is the only base metal with significant refining capacity in the Gulf area.

Some 2.5 percent of western world supplies, about 450,000 tons per year, are refined there, mostly in Dubai and Bahrain.

Copper came off its recent highs as profit-taking set in. Three-months metal was quoted at 1,571 pounds per tone on the kerb against 1,586 on the ring and 1,604 on Wednesday.

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#90256d0910 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (SEPT 13) - Iranian media Thursday welcomed a new era of relations between Teheran and Baghdad, and praised a speech by Iran's spiritual leader, which it interpreted as a call for a Jihad or holy war against the United States.

The English-speaking daily Kayhan International said in an editorial that recent developments in Teheran-Baghdad relations would benefit the people and

enhance the chances for peace in the Gulf.

''For sure, political cooperation between Teheran and Baghdad will safeguard the area's tranquility and also prevent the influence and domination of foreign forces in the Persian Gulf,'' it said.

Iran, because of its good ties with both Kuwait and Iraq, has an opportunity to solve the Gulf crisis peacefully, the daily added.

The Persian-language dailies Abrar and Jomhuri Eslami interpreted a speech on Wednesday by Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, the spiritual leader of the Islamic revolution, as containing a call for a Jihad against U.S. troops in the Gulf.

U.S. troops are not in the region to fight aggression, but their very presence in the region is ''a blatant aggression against sacred Moslem lands and Moslems' resources'', Abrar said.

''Confronting the aggression, ambitions and schemes of the U.S. to encroach upon the Persian Gulf is considered Jihad and any one killed for this purpose is a martyr,'' the Iranian News Agency Irna quoted Khamenei as saying.

Khamenei criticised the U.S. military presence in the Gulf and condemned those states who invited American troops to their countries. He said Moslem nations would never allow Washington to set up a security and defence system in the Gulf.

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#90256d1000 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) - Iraq has deployed a new, mobile missile delivery system increasing the reach of its chemical and high-explosive warheads, the Washington Times reported Thursday, quoting U.S. intelligence agents.

The system consists of special missile-launchers which can be mounted on any flat-bed tractor-trailer truck, allowing chemical and conventional warheads to be carried closer to Iraq's borders before being fired.

The intelligence agents, who requested anonymity, said the new system was capable of launching Soviet-made Scud-B surface-to-surface ballistic missiles with a range of some 400 kilometers (250 miles), and home-made modified versions of the same missile with a 650-950 kilometer range (400-600 miles).

Beside the new missile delivery system, the Iraqi's are thought to have close to 40 Scud-B mobile launchers and as many as 60 fixed launchers at several bases around the country.

U.S. intelligence also estimates the Iraqis have some 200 ballistic missiles, which can be tipped with chemical or explosive warheads.

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#90256d1070 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGUI (SEPT 13) - Police in the Central African Republic raided a private house early Thursday and arrested 22 people for holding an unauthorized political meeting, several separate sources said here.

The police had surrounded the Bangui home of Aristide Sokambi on Wednesday and finally smashed the door down and moved in with tear gas early Thursday.

They arrested Mr. Sokambi and 21 other members of a coordinating committee seeking to organize a national conference on introducing multi-party politics in this single-party state.

Those detained included Abel Goumba, leader of the opposition Oubanguian Patriotic Front (FPO), Henri Maidou, the last prime minister under the Emperor Bokassa and vice-president under David Dacko, who ousted the self-proclaimed monarch in 1979, and Francois Pehoua and Simon Narcisse Bozanga, also former members of the Dacko government.

The police post where the 22 were being held was Thursday under siege by members of their families, including numerous women, an Agence France-Presse correspondent said.

A reliable source said legal proceedings had already been opened.

Mr. Dacko was toppled by the current head of state, General Andre Kolingba, in a military coup in September 1981.

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#90256d1120 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FREETOWN (SEPT 13) - A Ghanaian delegation left here late Wednesday by sea for Monrovia to visit West African peacekeeping troops there, Ghana's High Commissioner A.K. Twumasi said Thursday.

Ghana, together with Nigeria, the Gambia, Guinea and Sierra Leone, has contributed troops to the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) force, which landed in the Liberian capital's port on August 24.

The 11-man Ghanaian delegation, led by Deputy Foreign Secretary Ibn Chambas left aboard the Ghanaian navy ship, Yogaga, will return to the Sierra Leone capital on Saturday, the high commissioner said.

Brigadier Twumasi said ECOWAS troops were "in no way to blame" for the capture Sunday and reported death of Liberian president Samuel K. Doe by rebels of Prince Johnson's faction, right outside their headquarters.

"It (Mr. Doe's death) was tragic and we are all concerned", he said, adding that the ECOWAS force, known as ECOMOG, was not prepared for the president's unannounced call on its commander General Arnold Quainoo of Ghana.

He said most of the peacekeeping troops had been sent into the city away from the port where the ECOWAS Monitoring Group (ECOMOG) headquarters have been set up.

Meanwhile, Sierra Leone army chief Mohamed Tarawalli said on Thursday that three Sierra Leone soldiers sent as part of the ECOMOG force had been caught by Mr. Johnson's rebels and were sent home on Tuesday.

Major-General Tarawalli said ECOMOG troops have been "expanding their operations cautiously and steadily to avoid casualties".

ECOMOG soldiers in Freetown were Thursday loading 1,000 bags of rice for the peacekeeping troops onto the Nigerian naval vessel Ambe which is to set sail for Liberia on Friday or Saturday.

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#90256d1130 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (SEPT. 13) - The Kuwaiti embassy in Abu Dhabi, loyal to the deposed emir Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, Thursday called on Kuwaiti exiles in the United Arab Emirates to enlist in the Kuwaiti army.

In an appeal carried by the emirates' official news agency WAM, the embassy urged Kuwaitis to come to its military office to join "the Kuwaiti armed forces within the limits of the homeland."

Part of Kuwait's army, which fled the country when Iraq invaded it on August 2 has been based in neighboring Saudi Arabia, Kuwaiti sources have said.

The housing minister of the exiled Kuwaiti government, Yahia Fahd al-Samit, said Tuesday his government planned to establish training camps for Kuwaitis abroad who wished to join the anti-Iraqi resistance movement.

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#90256d1170 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bonn (SEPT. 13) - West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Thursday that his country would help the U.S. in the Gulf crisis.

Kohl made the remarks during a joint press conference with former U.S. President Ronald Reagan, who is on a private European tour with his wife, Nancy.

The chancellor said he did not want the Germans to get the reputation of being strong on exports but weak on solidarity. ''That's not my policy,'' he said.

Some U.S. allies, West Germany included, have been severely criticised in the U.S. Congress for what is perceived to be insufficient support for the American-led military buildup in the Gulf following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Kohl said he would discuss details of German assistance with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker on Saturday during the latter's visit to West Germany.

Earlier Thursday, the Reagans met in Bonn with West German President Richard von Weizsaecker and his wife, Marianne. On Thursday evening, the Reagans flew back to Berlin. They are to travel on to Warsaw Friday.

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#90256d1230 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT 13) - A Canadian missionary who disappeared in Pakistan five days ago is being held by bandits in tribal zones along the Afghan border, a Canadian diplomat said here Thursday.

Paul Campbell Murdoch, 37, was seized Sunday by three armed men from Peshawar in northwestern Pakistan as he returned home from taking his children to school, police said.

Local authorities believe Mr. Murdoch, treasurer of an evangelical mission, was kidnapped by bandits operating in the Khyber region, a tribal zone along the Afghan border, the diplomat said.

The English-language daily Frontier Post said the primary suspect in Mr. Murdoch's disappearance, Ahmed Sher, and an accomplice were killed by security forces Tuesday as negotiations between authorities and the kidnappers got under way.

The kidnappers intended to use Mr. Murdoch to secure the release of some of their colleagues, the Canadian diplomat said.

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#90256d1240 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAVANA (SEPT. 13) - Cuba has recalled the chief of its military force in Angola and appointed him commander of the army's largest domestic division, it was announced here Thursday.

Defense Minister Raul Castro - President Fidel Castro's brother - said the current military situation in Angola and peace negotiations between the Angolan Government and U.S.-backed rebel forces had allowed General Leopoldo Cintras

Frias to be relieved of his command nine months ahead of schedule.

Gen. Cintras will take over command of the Army of the West, a post he had held before being sent to Angola in June of last year.

His replacement as head of the Army of the West, General Arlando Ochoa -- who had himself just come from serving in Ethiopia and Angola -- was charged almost immediately after his appointment with drug-trafficking and was executed.

Cuban opposition circles here and in the United States alleged that Gen. Ochoa was killed for having attempted a coup against President Castro.

The Army of the West had been headed since June 1989 by General Ramon Pardo Guerra.

Gen. Castro said General Samuel Rodiles Planas had been placed in command of Cuban forces in Angola, which are due to pull completely out of the African country by June 1991.

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#90256d1260 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AZRAQ, Jordan (SEPT 13) - Mostly Asian refugees fleeing Iraq and Kuwait, who had been stranded with little food, water or shelter in a transit camp on the Iraq-Jordan border, began moving into a new camp here Thursday, correspondants said.

Five hundred Indians were among the first to be moved into the new camp, known as Azraq 1, set up some 90 kilometres (56 miles) east of Amman by the International Committee of the Red Cross.

Some 1,000 Bangladeshis were taken to another camp, Azraq 11, administered by the Jordanian Red Crescent society, they said.

Jordanian authorities meanwhile said they expected large transfers of refugees by bus during the evening and asked the two humanitarian organizations to stand by to receive the new arrivals "at all hours of the day and night."

Thousands of foreigners, mainly Asians, have been transiting through Jordan since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2, with an estimated 50,000 having gone through the Shaalan I transit camp on the Iraqi-Jordan border.

Many have been sent home but the influx has strained Jordanian resources and officials in Amman have continued to ask for international assistance to help pay the cost of sheltering and repatriating the refuges.

Reliable sources said that although 21,000 Asians remained in Shaalan I on Wednesday, the camp would be closed down in a matter of days.

Opening of the Azraq camps, scheduled for last week, was delayed because of problems with drainage. The site was then moved about 15 kilometers (nine miles) to the town of Azraq.

The Azraq I camp was designed to receive up to 30,000 people and is made up blocks of tents each capable of sheltering 5,000 residents, divided according to nationality to ease administration.

An alley divides each tents block which has been equipped with water and sewage facilities, both of which are lacking at the Shaalan transit camp.

Similar facilites have been installed at the Azraq II camp which can house 20,000 refugees.

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#90256d1280 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 13) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,757.50 (1,796.00) 1,585.50 (1,603.50)
Lead 457.00 (455.00) 462.50 (461.50)
Zinc Hg 1,615.00 (1,607.50) 1,512.50 (1,507.00)
Tin 5,785.00 (5,805.00) 5,905.00 (5,922.50)
Aluminium 2,123.00 (2,075.00) 2,033.00 (2,001.50)
Nickel 11,250.00 (11,625.00) 10,912.00 (11,212.00)

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#90256d1320 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (SEPT. 13) - The United Nations Disaster and Relief Organisation (Undro) said Thursday it expects a new wave of refugees will try to flee Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait in the near future.

An Undro spokesman said 45,000 refugees from these two countries were housed in camps in Jordan, where the situation is now relativly normal after weeks of

chaos.

A total of 350,000 to 400,000 refugees had crossed the border from Iraq since the Baghdad sent its troops into Kuwait on August 2, he said. About 70 per cent of the refugees are Egyptians.

Meanwhile, U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar's personel envoy for humanitarian questions in the Gulf crisis is due to travel to the region over the weekend.

Observers believe that the envoy, Prince Sadruddin Agha Khan, will also travel to Baghdad. His mission is to focus on the thousands of Western civilians held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait.

In London, the Foreign Office urged all remaining British women and children still in Kuwait to leave the country on Friday on board a Jumbo Jet chartered by the United States.

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#90256d1340 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 13) - Indian Foreign Secretary Muchkund Dubey will go to Washington on Saturday for talks on the plight of thousands of Indians trapped in Kuwait, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said Thursday.

The news agency said officials here, however, had described Mr. Dubey's week-long visit as part of annual bilateral consultations between India and the United States.

The issue of supplying food and medicine to more than 150,000 Indians still stranded in Kuwait after the August 2 Iraqi invasion of the country was expected to dominate his talks, the agency said.

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#90256d1350 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELLINZONE, Switzerland (SEPT. 13) - Two Lebanese-born brothers, Jean and Barkev Magharian, were sentenced to four and a half years each in prison by a court here Thursday for laundering two billion Swiss francs (1.51 billion dollars) in drug profits.

The two brothers were also each ordered to pay a fine of 50,000 Swiss francs (38,000 dollars)

Lawyers for the defendants had urged that they be acquitted while the prosecutor had sought a prison term of eight years.

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#90256d1430 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (SEPT. 13) - The Iraqi government announced Thursday the confiscation of all Kuwaiti government funds and property in and outside the country, and said any dealing in these assets would be illegal without prior authorisation from Baghdad.

A statement issued by Iraq's acting finance minister, Mohammed Mehdi Saleh, said the decision affects the funds of Kuwait's ruling family deposited in Arab and foreign banks as well as those of the Kuwaiti government and the cabinet.

The statement, read over Baghdad radio, said the decision was retroactive to August 8 when the two countries were ''reunited''. Iraq annexed Kuwait on that date.

The Iraqi decision came after the finance minister of the exiled Kuwaiti government, Ali al-Khalifa al-Athbi as-Sabah, said Kuwait's foreign assets had been unfrozen and the government had full management over them.

Official assets are estimated at more than 100 billion dollars, while private assets of the royal family and other Kuwaitis is thought to amount to more than 200 billion dollars.

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#90256d1570 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT 13) - French Economics and Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy announced Thursday evening that fuel prices would be decontrolled as of next Saturday.

The move puts an end to controls ordered on August 9, in the wake of Iraq's takeover of Kuwait and a surge in oil prices.

A joint communique issued by the Economics and the Industry Ministries said that "The return to price freedom has been discussed with people in the business", who expressed "a desire to avoid any market disorder".

It added that "It is vital for the market to avoid any speculative phenomena or abnormal price swings".

The government is asking oil companies to limit their margins to the level existing before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

The joint communique said "The government will be extremely attentive to price trends for oil products in the next few weeks. It calls on the sense of responsibility of all operators on the oil market to avoid a new resort to controls".

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#90256d1800 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROTTERDAM, Netherlands (SEPT 13) - Royal Dutch Oil Company announced Thursday that it would pay an interim dividend for financial 1990 of 3.35 guilders (1.88 dollars) per ordinary share, up 3.1 percent from the 1989 interim payment of 3.25 guilders.

The communique issued by N.V. Koninklijke Nederlandsche Petroleum Maatschappij said the dividend would be paid on September 25, adding that the company's shares will be traded ex-dividend on the Amsterdam stock market as of next Tuesday.

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#90256d1830 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (SEPT. 13) - Baghdad will hold U.S. President George Bush and his allies personally responsible for any attack against Iraq and reserves the right to respond in kind, the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported Thursday.

INA, in a dispatch received here, said the message was conveyed to Washington in a memorandum handed by Deputy Foreign Minister Nizar Hamdoun to the U.S. Charge d'Affaires, Joseph Wilson.

It was in response to a U.S. message Mr. Wilson gave Mr. Hamdoun late Wednesday, INA said.

The agency reported that Mr. Wilson's message said Washington knew several terrorist organizations based in Iraq were preparing attacks on U.S. and allied targets.

The U.S. message also warned Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that he would be held responsible if the terrorist attacks took place.

"If the U.S. administration is seeking a pretext to commit aggression against Iraq and confuse the issues before international public opinion, Iraq will then hold President Bush, his agents and the Zionist entity (Israel) which lit the spark of conspiracy and aggression in the region personally responsible," it said.

The agency said Iraq reserved the right to defend itself and retaliate firmly against all attack, in accordance with the principles of reciprocity.

More than 100,000 U.S. troops have been deployed in the Gulf alongside forces from Britain, Egypt, Syria and Morocco since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

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#90256d1840 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HABUR, Turkey (SEPT 13) - Turkish President Turgut Ozal, visiting a refugee camp here Thursday with his Bangladeshi counterpart Hussain Mohammad Ershad, announced plans to help speed up the repatriation of Bangladeshis from the Gulf.

Both heads of state said at a camp close to the Iraqi border, packed with some 5,000 refugees from Iraq and Kuwait, that Turkish Airlines would undertake between 60 and 70 flights to transport Bangladeshis from Turkey's Diyarbakir airport to Dhaka.

Neither president gave details of the plans, but it is understood here that the flights will be organized largely by international bodies and financed with donations from the United States and the European Economic Community (EEC).

A representative of the United Nations Disaster Relief Organization (UNDRO) told Agence France-Presse that an accord had already been reached with Turkish Airlines for 50 flights.

Mr. Ershad got a rapturous welcome from Bangladeshis in the refugee camp, which is run by the Turkish Red Crescent organization. He thanked "friend and brother" Turkey for its assistance to his compatriots, as refugees shouted "Long live Turkey, long live Bangladesh!"

UNDRO coordinator Edmund Cain said 3,000 Bangladeshis have already been airlifted home, 1,000 of them through UNDRO. The whole programme, repatriating a current total 10,000 people, will cost almost seven million dollars, he added. Biman, the Bangladeshi airline, is using two planes for daily shuttle flights.

Some 8,000 Bangladeshis from Iraq and Kuwait had crossed into Turkey by late Thursday. Bangladeshi sources said that of an estimated 80,000 in Iraq and Kuwait when Iraqi troops invaded the emirate on August 2, some 20,000 had left Baghdad and Kuwait City and 12,000 of those were on the Iraqi side of the Turkish border.

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#90256d1880 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (SEPT 13) - India's trade deficit rose by just under 20 million dollars in the first four months of the current financial year, a government release here said Thursday.

The deficit for April to July came to 1.35 billion dollars, compared with 1.33 billion dollars in the same period last year, the release said.

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#90256d2140 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (SEPT 13) - Nearly 500 Japanese, Americans and Europeans have been moved to strategic and military installations in Iraq as "human shields" against possible foreign attack, well-informed sources in Baghdad contacted by telephone said Thursday.

The sources said that 80 Americans, 200 Britons, 60 French nationals, about 130 Japanese, two Irish nationals and 10 West Germans were being held hostage at those locations.

Several of the Americans were employed by an engineering consulting firm while a number of the Frenchmen were executives for various firms and were in Baghdad when Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2, they said.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has allowed hundreds of Western women and children who resided in Kuwait and Iraq before the invasion, as well as a handful of Western men in ill health, to leave via Iraq.

(In Washington, the Iraqi ambassador to the U.S., Mohammad al-Mashat, said his country was preventing U.S.-born males from leaving Iraq and Kuwait because of U.S. "offensive forces" threatening Iraq.

(He was referring to the massive foreign, notably U.S., military buildup in the Gulf sparked by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.)

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#90256d2340 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT 13) - The State Department Thursday denied allegations that the United States believed Romania was importing Iraqi oil in violation of a U.N.-mandated trade embargo imposed on Iraq to force it roll back its August 2 takeover of Kuwait.

Responding to reports that Romania was on an alleged U.S. list of sanction busters, department spokesman Richard Boucher said: "There's no truth to reports that the State Department believes Romania is importing Iraqi oil or otherwise violated the sanctions.

"In fact, Romania has been a strong supporter of the sanctions from the outset and has played a very positive role on a number of issues related to the Gulf crisis."

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#90256d2350 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT 13) - The United States is in contact with Iran through a

third country about U.N. sanctions against Iraq, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Thursday.

Mr. Fitzwater did not disclose any details of the contacts, but reiterated that the United States expected Iran to keep its promise to respect the international trade embargo against Iraq.

The spokesman noted that the daily Teheran Times had reported Wednesday that Iran was considering the possibility of supplying Iraq with food and medicines, but on Thursday contradicted its report.

The Iranians have "said that they will abide by the sanctions," Mr. Fitzwater said.

At the State Department, spokesman Richard Boucher commented on remarks by Iran's supreme religious leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, suggesting that an Islamic "holy war" was justified to drive the massive U.S. military force out of the Gulf region.

"The Iranian position appears to be based on a misunderstanding of what we mean by regional security structures and arrangements" as spelled out by Secretary of State James Baker in a congressional testimony here last week.

"The United States has no intention of imposing itself, but rather of finding mutually acceptable arrangements which will help guarantee peace and prosperity" in the Gulf, Mr. Boucher said.

"We're on the ground in Saudi Arabia at the request of the Saudi Government to deter an attack from Iraq and to help defend Saudi Arabia if necessary. We will leave...when that mission is accomplished or whenever we might be asked to leave by the Saudi Government," he added.

On the sanctions, Mr. Boucher said: "We have no evidence at this time that commodities have been exchanged in any significant way between Iran and Iraq," said Mr. Boucher.

The United States will continue to monitor the enforcement of the sanctions, Mr. Fitzwater said.

"We have contacts (with Iran) through third countries," he said.

Asked whether the contacts focused on the sanctions, Mr. Fitzwater replied, "On all issues."

The United States and Iran do not have direct diplomatic relations. U.S. interests are represented by Swiss officials in Teheran.

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#90256d2480 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (SEPT 13) - The West German parliament Thursday approved legislation reducing compulsory military service from 15 to 12 months from October 1 - two days before German unification.

The legislation also provides for a five-month reduction to 15 months in community service, which is performed as an alternative to military service.

The upper house of parliament is expect to give its approval on September 21.

Earlier this month, the defence ministry announced that the army of a united Germany would have 370,000 troops - 320,000 from West Germany and 50,000 from East Germany.

This would mean cutting troop strength in the West by 80,000 and in the East by 50,000.

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#90256d2500 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT 13) - Visiting American businessmen here expressed enthusiasm for prospects in the Soviet Union, saying that "capitalism is arriving" and calling the changes in this country "fascinating" and "extraordinarily significant."

The senior executives of 15 major American firms were here on an official delegation asked by U.S. President George Bush to promote cooperation between American and Soviet companies.

The businessmen were all enthusiastic about prospects for such cooperation, but did not announce any important agreements.

They were speaking at a press conference led by U.S. Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher, following a four-day visit to Leningrad and Moscow.

James Jameson, head of a U.S. association of young business leaders, said: "I would like my partners in the United States to know as well as they (the Soviet businessmen) do what they want. They learn very fast . . . Capitalism is arriving in the Soviet Union."

Mark Hungerford, president of utility vehicle firm Transisco Industries Inc. of San Francisco, announced signature of an agreement with a Soviet-U.S.-Finnish firm for production of 1,000 tank-trucks worth 50 million dollars.

Mr. Mosbacher, who met with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev for more than three hours Thursday afternoon, said that the Soviet leader "seems to have

confidence in the fact that things are going to move forward."

He said the Soviet Union is trying to reduce the 1.2 billion dollars it has in overdue payments to U.S. business.

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#90256d2690 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT 13) - Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar Thursday said he was "deeply concerned" that increased fighting in Liberia was preventing U.N. humanitarian relief operations in that West African country.

"He renews his fervent appeal to the warring factions to respect the human rights of the population, halt the senseless slaughter, negotiate their differences peacefully, and allow safe passage for desperately required humanitarian assistance," said U.N. spokesman Francois Giuliani

Rebels led by Charles Taylor and a breakaway group led by Prince Johnson have turned the area around the presidential residence in Monrovia into a battleground, the British Broadcasting Corporation reported.

The rebel groups are battling for control of the Liberian capital following the death of president Samuel Doe, who was captured by Mr. Johnson's forces Sunday.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar also expressed regret that the intensification of fighting by Liberian rebels had prevented the U.N. special coordinator for emergency relief operations in Liberia, Michael Heyn, from leaving Monrovia last weekend.

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#90256d3140 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT 13) - The U.N. Security Council was preparing Thursday to hold consultations before voting on a resolution spelling out conditions that would permit humanitarian food deliveries to Iraq.

A Security Council ruling was needed because a U.N. sanctions committee failed to find a way of allowing food shipments into Iraq and Kuwait without undermining a U.N.-mandated trade embargo slapped on Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait for Baghdad's August 2 invasion of the emirate.

U.N. Resolution 661, adopted August 6, allows only medical supplies into Baghdad, but also provides for food shipments on humanitarian grounds.

Proposed resolutions being floated within the Security Council -- which coincides with the U.N. sanctions committee -- said the committee should ensure

that foodstuffs sent to Iraq "be provided through appropriate humanitarian agencies and distributed by them or under their supervision in order to ensure that they reach the intended beneficiaries."

The sanctions committee is charged with ensuring compliance with Resolution 661.

The draft resolution presented by the Security Council's five permanent members -- Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union, and the United States -- asks that Iraq abide by its international obligations by guaranteeing the security and well-being of thousands of foreigners trying to depart Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

The committee's draft declaration also called on U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to provide the sanctions committee with a detailed description of the food situation in Iraq, with a special emphasis on the condition of children younger than 15 years old, pregnant women and new mothers.

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#90256d3180 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (SEPT 14) - President Frederik de Klerk late Thursday promised new measures to counter South Africa's worst-ever violence that has claimed over 700 black lives around Johannesburg in a month.

New steps to "supplement the comprehensive measures already taken" would be announced next week, he said in a statement here.

"The violent events of the past week, in which many people have lost their lives, have brought our country to an unfortunate turning point...

"The latest wave of violence, unrest, arson and damage to property is something that cannot be tolerated in any civilised country," he said.

"There are forces which do not wish peaceful negotiations to succeed," he warned, appealing to people who wanted peace to "stand together to identify and counter these forces."

In an apparent bid to counter allegations that police and soldiers have fuelled the violence, he appealed to "all leaders" to "give the government and the security forces their full support to counter crime and maintain law and order," adding, "accusations will achieve nothing."

He warned the perpetrators of violence that they were "greatly mistaken if they believe that the government's search for a peaceful solution is a password to lawlessness, unrest and murder."

He said the government would not allow the country to "degenerate into anarchy."

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#90256d3240 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (SEPT 14) - Lebanese President Elias Hrawi on Thursday appealed to King Fahd of Saudi Arabia to lead a campaign to provide Arab financial assistance to Lebanon, the official Lebanese news agency reported.

In a message addressed to the Saudi monarch, Mr. Hrawi said that Lebanon had been hard hit by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The Syrian-backed president cited the return from Kuwait of 40,000 Lebanese workers, who he said had formerly supported thousands of families in Lebanon,

and Lebanon's compliance with the international embargo against Iraq, which accounts for an estimated 30 per cent of Lebanese industrial exports.

"Lebanon urges you to come to its assistance, for it is threatened by famine and misery," concluded Mr. Hrawi.

The Lebanese pound has lost some 60 per cent of its value in relation to stronger currencies since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2. The constitution of a two billion dollar Arab and international assistance fund for Lebanon, which was to have been decided on September 11, has been postponed indefinitely.

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#90256d7290 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 13) - Japan will likely limit car exports to the European Economic Community (EEC) for five years after the unification of Europe in 1992, the Mainichi Daily News reported Thursday.

The English-language daily said it had opbtained a copy of a secret draft between Japan and the EEC showing they had agreed to a five-year grace period before the European market is totally liberalized for Japanese cars.

The start of the grace period will depend on an agreement with five EEC countries, including France, Italy and Spain, to abolish their own import quotas on Japanese cars, it said.

The agreement also foresees that the Japanese government will continue monitoring exports from Japan to the EEC to curb any sudden increase, the report said.

The monitoring system began in 1986, with the Japanese Ministry of

International Trade and Industry checking car exports to the Common Market once a quarter.

Japan and the European Commission also agreed to set up working-level consultaions to promote dialogue for a smooth liberalization of the car market from 1998, it said.

MITI officials confirmed that Japan and and the EEC are holding talks on Japanese car exports to the EEC after 1992, but said no agreement had yetr been reached.

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#90256d7310 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 13) - South Korea's giant Pohang Iron and Steel Co. (POSCO) will branch out into the semiconductor industry under its policy of diversification a POSCO spokesman said Thursday.

POSCO will set up a joint venture with MEMC of the United States and South Korea's Samsung Electronics Co. to produce silicon wafers.

An agreement signed in May calls on POSCO to have a 40 percent share of the joint venture, which will be initially capitalized at more than 120 million dollars, the spokesman said.

MEMC will also have a 40 percent share, while Samsung will shoulder the remaining 20 percent.

"This is in line with our policy of diversifying into other businesses," the spokesman said. "We cannot expand permanently by sticking to steel and the world trend in the steel industry is toward diversification."

The plant, which will be set up by mid-1991 either in Chonan, in the central province of Chungchong, or in the western port city of Inchon, will mainly produce large-caliber, six- and eight-inch silicon wafers.

South Korea relies on foreign imports for large-caliber wafers and buys 80 million to 90 million dollars' worth every year from abroad.

POSCO posted a profit of 202 million dollars on sales of six billion dollars in 1989, but this year's profit and turnover were expected to be thinner, reflecting a worldwide slowdown in steel and iron industry, he said.

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#90256d7420 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Kuala Lumpur (SEPT. 13) - Asian diplomats Thursday hailed the signing of a pact in Moscow the day before paving the way to a united Germany.

Diplomats told the German Press Agency dpa that the whole world now awaits German Unity Day October 3 and ratification of the treaty next year.

''The historic signing has set the stage for a stronger Europe and the cornerstone for world peace through negotiations,'' said a Japanese diplomat.

''A unified Germany has brought both democracy and communism closer together - ending the cold war and halting the arms race,'' he said.

''All freedom-loving nations should rejoice over the marriage between East and West Germany which has even received the full blessing of the Soviet Union,'' said an Indian diplomat.

''There is no reason why some nations should voice reservations over their so-called fears of the potential threat of a nation of 80 million Germans in the heart of Europe,'' he added.

A malaysian diplomat said: ''Now that democracy and communism have united in what was once a divided Germany, the world today is a safer place to live in.''

In neighbouring Singapore, an official welcomed the unification pact as ''a major victory for not only East and West Germany, but for the whole of Europe, the Soviet Union and the United States''.

The agreement, hammered out by the four victorious World War Ii allies and the two Germanys, allows a united Germany to be a full Nato member with a 370,000-strong limit to its armed forces and a self-imposed ban on nuclear weapons.

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#90256d7450 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 13) - A crew member on board a Panamanian tanker died after fire broke out on the vessel about 600 kilometres north-east of Singapore in the South China Sea, officials said Thursday.

A passing South Korean fishing vessel, responding to distress calls Wednesday, rescued all of the other 25 crew members from the stricken tanker Caribica, which was still afloat.

The 19,400-ton tanker, on a voyage from Taiwan to Singapore, was not carrying cargo.

A rescue official here said all vessels in the vicinity were immediately ordered to render assistance to the distress vessel.

''Also involved in the search were marine officials from Malaysia, the

Philippines and Hong Kong,'' the official said.

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#90256d7460 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 13) - Authorities in Shenzhen, China's largest special economic zone, are cracking down on the rampant trading of illegal shares on the stock exchange, a newspaper reported here Thursday.

Some firms in the zone bordering Hong Kong, responding to increasing demand for shares on the Shenzhen bourse, have started selling so-called "internal shares" issued without the approval of the People's Bank of China which administers the exchange, the Wen Wei Po daily said.

Despite the crackdown launched May 28, several firms continue to trade the unauthorized shares believed worth more than five million yuan (one million dollars), the paper said, adding that speculation in the shares was rife.

The paper said authorities could adopt additional measures to curb the illegal trading such as freezing any capital raised through sales of unauthorized shares.

The trading of the illegal shares is a new headache for Shenzhen stock exchange authorities, already battling a thriving black market trade in share certificates.

Share prices and volume in Shenzhen bourse grew explosively in the first half of the year buoyed by the black market, as authorities took steps to curb speculation and market volatility.

The measures included limiting daily prices swings to a one per cent rise and five per cent fall and imposing a six per cent tax on share transactions.

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#90256d7560 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (SEPT. 13) - Trade between Taiwan and Eastern Europe totalled 339.2 millon U.S. dollars in the first eight months of this year, a 40 percent rise over the same period of 1989, the Board of Foreign Trade (BOFT) said Thursday.

Exports to the nine countries of Eastern Europe in the January-August period grew 96 percent to 126.4 million dollars while imports from the region surged 20 percent to 212.8 million dollars, the BOFT said.

The Soviet Union was the largest of the island's East European trading partners for the eight months, registering a two-way trade of 69.2 million dollars, up 36 percent, it said.

Exports to Soviet Union rose 309 percent to 33.5 million dollars while imports from the country tumbled 16 percent to 35.7 million dollars, the BOFT said.

The export-oriented island sold products worth 13.3 million dollars to East Germany, the second largest buyer of Taiwan-made products in the region.

Bilateral trade between Taiwan and Yugoslavia in the first eight months surged a whopping 345 percent over a year earlier to 25.5 million dollars.

To boost the island's substantial relations with Eastern Europe, Taiwan has pledged to provide economic aid to countries in the area through its International Development Fund while encouraging local businessmen to invest there to make computer products and consumer goods.

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#90256d7600 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 13) - The Singapore Petroleum Company Co. Pte. Ltd. (SPC) is proceeding with plans for a public share offer despite the volatility of the market sparked by the Gulf crisis, SPC officials said.

"The groundwork has already been done, and we are waiting for the right time to launch it," the oil refiner's deputy chairman Soh Kim Soon told local journalists Wednesday.

"If the market stabilizes it will be very soon," he was quoted as saying in the Business Times.

Mr. Soh was not available for elaboration Thursday. But SPC sources confirmed that the company, 62.7 percent owned by the government-controlled DBS Bank, would go ahead with the share offer.

Mr. Soh told reporters that DBS was negotiating to sell 12 percent of SPC's capital, about 40 million shares, to the local steelmaker, National Iron and Steel Mills Ltd. This would be in line with government policy to progressively privatise state holdings.

There was no official word on how many SPC shares overall would go on the block, but press reports put the number at an estimated 80 million shares -- about a quarter of the company's enlarged share capital.

Newspapers have put the offer at 1.25 dollars (71 U.S. cents) a share, but Mr. Soh said Wednesday that no final decision had been made.

In addition to the DBS stake, 31.5 percent of SPC is owned by the local firm Oceanic Petroleum (Asia) and the rest by Japan's C. Itoh trading group.

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#90256d7750 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OSLO (SEPT. 13) - A Norwegian Cessna 306 seaplane, reported missing in the mountains in southern Norway Wednesday, was found upside down in a small lake Thursday morning.

Five persons had been aboard the plane when it took off, but rescue crews found no survivors when they reached the site.

The wreackage was spotted by a German military patrol plane which had taken part in the air search all through the night.

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#90256d7770 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 13) (AFP) - Amgold, the investment company in the Anglo American stable, announced a 500 million rands (193.5 million dollars) rights issue on Thursday in order to "take advantage of attractive investment opportunities".

The directors of the company, which has gold interests in South Africa, South America, Australia and the Far East, said in a statement that the rights offer confirmed their confidence in the gold mining industry.

The announcement comes barely a week after Amgold posted a 38 percent fall in earnings a share for the six months to August 1990.

The directors said part of the capital raised by the rights offer would be used initially to repay Amgold's short-term borrowings of 127 million rands (49 million dollars).

Other capital would be used to fund the establishment of mining operations in the Moab area, adjoining Anglo's Vaal Reefs gold mine near Klerksdorp, 160 kilometres (100 miles) west of here.

The statement disclosed that government permission had been granted to mine the 2,149 hectare (5,308 acres) Moab site, which is held principally by Anglo and its associates.

The government decision meant the full development costs of Moab could be written off against Vaal Reefs' tax base, the statement said.

Anglo chairman Julian Ogilvie Thompson said in a statement that in view of current economic uncertainties, prudence required that projects of Moab's magnitude be "continually evaluated in the light of changing circumstances" -- like the gold price and the ability to control costs.

In their statement, Anglo's directors warned that under United States and

Canadian securities' regulations the Amgold rights offer may not be made to shareholders with registered addresses in those two countries.

These shareholders' rights will, if possible, be sold on the International Stock Exchange in London or the Johannesburg Stock Exchange through an independent merchant bank for the account of such shareholders, they added.

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#90256d7840 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Dhaka (SEPT. 13) - Two Soviet citizens working in Bangladesh have sought political asylum here claiming that they had been kept under detention and tortured by Soviet embassy officials for being anti-communist, interior ministry officials said Thursday.

The asylum seekers have been identified as Victor Tulchinski, 31, and his wife Anna, 24, both employed as Russian-language teachers at the Soviet cultural centre.

The couple have been working in Bangladesh since 1988 but they complained that they were being forcefully returned to Moscow for expressing dissident views.

They said they were kept locked in the cultural centre in west Dhaka's elegant Dhanmondi residential district for a week and were physically tortured. The couple sought refuge in a neighbouring police station after escaping from the centre Wednesday morning.

Meanwhile, Soviet Ambassador Vitaly Smirnoff called upon the Bangladesh government to return the two Soviets, claiming that they are drug addicts.

A senior Bangladesh official said the government was considering the request for asylum by the two Soviet citizens.

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#90256d7870 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 13) - The Japan-Korea Trade Association said Thursday it would send an economic mission to North Korea to discuss ways to improve bilateral economic ties.

The week-long visit starting October 8 was planned following disclosures that two Japanese delegations, from the Conservative and Socialist parties, are to visit Pyongyang in late September.

The mission is expected to discuss North Korea's 70 billion yen (five million dollars) cumulative debts to Japan and the opening of trade representative offices in both countries.

It is also expected to talk about the rescheduling of North Korean debt repayments to Japan. But North Korean officials are likely to demand cancellation of the payment as compensation for Japan's colonial rule in the Korean peninsula in 1910-45, according to the association sources.

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#90256d7910 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (SEPT. 13) - Some 400 Britons and Americans who arrived here overnight from the Gulf aboard a chartered Iraqi Airlines jumbo jet brought with them tales of terror and brutality at the hands of Iraqi occupation forces in Kuwait.

Most of the new arrivals were U.S. citizens, 83 were Britons, according to a Foreign Office spokesman. That brought to 750 the total number of arrivals here. The spokesman said another planeload of refugees was expected to leave Kuwait Friday for London.

One woman from northern England said on arrival that Iraqi troops in Kuwait took delight in teasing and terrifying British citizens who had been marooned in the country after the August 2 invasion.

''One man was taken off into the desert, blindfolded and told to get out of the car, and then they threatened to kill him,'' recalled Elizabeth Walters. ''He was then pushed back into the car, and they drove him round again and did the same, threatening to kill him again.''

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#90256d8010 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 13) - Spring readings in the southern hemisphere suggest that the earth's protective ozone layer will suffer another serious loss this year, the Australian Bureau of Meteorology said Thursday.

Paul Lehmann, head of the bureau's ozone science unit here, said that measurements taken in August indicated that the loss might be as big as in 1987 and 1989, when large holes appeared in the ozone shield.

The readings were taken at Macquarie Island, half-way between the south coast of Australia and the Antarctic Circle, where the hole in the ozone shield was first detected in 1985.

The ozone layer is a natural screen against deadly doses of solar radiation. The hole starts to form in spring in the southern hemisphere, August or September, disappearing several months later.

The bureau's monitor on the island tracks the movement of clouds carrying ozone towards the South Pole, Dr. Lehmann said.

Temperatures in the upper atmosphere over the Antarctic Circle seemed to be slightly higher than last year.

If this were the case, he said, it would help to limit the destruction of the ozone layer.

Chlorine is released into the atmosphere by the deterioration of CFC's, or chloro-fluoro-carbons, gases commonly used in aerosols and refigerators.

"Chlorine in molecular form is no trouble," Dr. Lehmann said. "Molecular chlorine builds up during the winter, when molecules attach themselves to ice crystals in the stratosphere over the South Pole.

"But once the polar dawn comes, a peculiar chemistry occurs and chlorine is liberated as atoms. A single chlorine atom can destroy hundreds of thousands of ozone molecules."

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#90256d8060 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 13) - Defence industry plants, mainly located in western China are to refocus on civilian production in order to boost development in remote areas and support the national economy, the China Daily said Thursday.

A five-year project to "re-orient the sprawling defence industry in interior China to civilian production," was announced Wednesday by the State Planning Commission, State Science and Technology Commission and Commission of Science, Technology and Industry for National Defence.

Local governments in southwest, northwest and central China, where most military factories are located, are to invest more than 210 million dollars in the project over the next five years, the English language daily said.

The provinces of Hubei, Guizhou, Shanxi and Sichuan will be especially involved in the project, the newspaper said.

The value of civilian products manufactured by the defense industry climbed to 66 per cent of the defence industry's total production value last year, compared to 8.1 per cent in 1979, the China Daily said.

To date, the defence industry has manufactured more than 10,000 civilian products, specialising in automobiles, medical equipment, textile machinery, household appliances and cigarettes.

According to Chinese officials, the conversion of People's Liberation Army-run factories to civilian production, begun in the early 1980s, followed a decline in demand for military equipment. However, Western sources say official

defence spending figures should be treated with caution.

Since the introduction of political reform, the army has turned over many airports, railways, ports and hospitals to the civilian sector as well as supplying aeroplanes to civilian airline companies.

The army itself has undergone radical changes, with total strength in 1986 being reduced from 3.2 million men to 2.2 million.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 13) - Japan's Toyota Motor Corp. said Thursday it planned to buy a computer system from Tandem Computers Inc. of the United States for 780 million yen (5.6 million dollars) to streamline internal communications.

The system will be introduced in February on a limited basis, covering 1,500 employees and 900 terminals worldwide, and is expected to be fully operational within five years, the company said.

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#90256d8080 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 13) - Japan's Toshiba Corp. unveiled a new hard-disk drive for small personal computers Wednesday, claiming it more than doubled the capacity of conventional 2.5-inch drives currently available on the market.

The new drive has a memory capacity of 43 megabytes (roughly 43 million words) compared with the maximum storage capacity of around 20 megabytes on existing 2.5-inch hard-disk drives, the company said.

"Toshiba expects the main market for the drive to be in lap-top computers," a statement said, adding that it would be launched in the domestic market next month at a retail price of 100,000 yen (714 dollars).

The company plans to invest 2.5 billion yen (17.9 million dollars) to expand production of hard-disk drives. Total investment in magnetic desks is expected to reach 15 billion yen (107 million dollars) by 1994 by which time sales are projected to quadruple to 100 billion yen (714 million dollars) a year.

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SYDNEY (SEPT. 13) - Australia's major retailer Coles Myer Ltd. Thursday blamed the country's economic slowdown for a 5.9 percent slump in its net annual profit to 365 million Australian dollars (297 million U.S.) for the year to June 30.

The group's gross operating profit slid 8.9 percent to 555.6 million dollars (452 million U.S.).

The fall in net profit for the country's ninth largest capitalised company, which compared to 388 million dollars (316 million U.S.) previously, was despite a 5.1 percent jump in revenue to 14.7 billion dollars (12 billion U.S.).

Chairman Brian Quinn in a statement blamed the profit slide on "slowing sales growth as a result of current economic conditions.

"Although the company believed that substantial sales increases would be difficult to achieve in the short term, action was being taken to improve profit levels," he said.

The retail trading profit as a percentage of sales slid from 4.2 percent in 1989 to 3.66 percent in 1990.

The company said in its announcement to the stock exchange that: "Although trading conditions are expected to be difficult due to the current economic conditions in Australia and New Zealand, the company is well placed to benefit from recovery in the economies of both countries when this occurs.

"Strong competition and modest sales increases as a result of difficult economic conditions in Australia impacted on all businesses, particularily department stores."

But the group's discount chain Target had performed well in the past year, the company said.

Retailers have complained of falling sales since Treasurer Paul Keating boosted interest rates late last year, his answer to Australia's perpetual current account deficits, inflation and huge foreign debt.

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#90256d8130 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (SEPT. 13) - Taiwan is to open a new trade office in Hong Kong to boost its business ties with China and the British colony, an economic official said Thursday.

The island's China External Trade Development Council, a semi-official trade promotion unit, is responsible for the overall planning of the new office to be named "Taiwan Trade Center" or "Taipei Trade Center," the official said.

The office, to be opened in one year, is to provide more trade information and offer other services mainly to promote trade and economic activities across the Taiwan Strait, he said.

The Taipei government has allowed only indirect commerce between Taiwan and the mainland.

Trade transhipped through Hong Kong between the two sides boomed to 3.4 billion U.S. dollars last year, a 28 percent growth over 1988.

Opening the new office signified Taiwan's commitment to strengthen its unofficial presence in Hong Kong after the British colony reverts to Chinese rule in 1997, he said, adding that the Economic Ministry would send staff to the new office, which would be registered as a business corporation.

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#90256d8150 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (SEPT. 13) - Taiwan and Australia are soon to exchange landing rights in an effort to boost tourism in the two countries, Queensland's Minister of Tourism, Sport and Racing Rob Gibbs said here Thursday.

Mr. Gibbs, promoting tourism in what he called Australia's "sunshine state" of Queensland, told a news conference before returning home that he met Taiwan Communications Minister Clement Chang Wednesday to exchange views on the opening a new air route between Taipei and Sydney and Brisbane.

He arrived here from Seoul Tuesday.

Mr. Chang was "keen" on the exchange of landing rights, but no timetable had been set, Mr. Gibbs said.

At present, there are no direct flights between Taiwan and Australian cities and no Taiwan commercial aircraft can land there due to lack of diplomatic relations.

The Australia Asia Airlines, a subsidiary of Australia's national flag carrier Qantas Airways, had been established to fly between the two countries, the minister said.

But Taiwan's national flag carrier, China Airlines (CAL), has yet to set up a sister company to serve the new route, he said.

Qantas and CAL have to establish subsidiaries to fly the route to avoid protests from Taipei's rival, Beijing, with which Australia has diplomatic ties.

Mr. Gibbs said possible protests from Beijing had been "addressed in a mutually satisfactory way."

Mr. Gibbs also said the Queensland Tourist and Travel Corp. will open an

office in Taipei before December to promote tourism.

The number of outbound Taiwan tourists hit a record 2.1 million in 1989, up 31.6 percent from the preceding year, and about 21,000 of them had visited Australia, a 40 percent increase over 1988.

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#90256d8390 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 13) - Rolls Royce, the British company which manufactures aero engines and luxury cars, on Thursday reported pre-tax interim profits of 115 million pounds (213 million dollars), representing an increase of 14 percent over the figure in the first half of 1989.

The result disappointd city analysts who had expected profits to total between 120 million and 130 million pounds. The company reported sales of 1.59 billion pounds (2.94 billion dollars), representing an increase of 42 percent over the previous figure.

Rolls Royce shares lost 13 pence to 185p.

Earnings per share were 9.9 pence compared with 10.1 pence. The interim dividend was increased by 10.8 percent to 2.55 pence.

The turbine division reported an operating profit down from 70 million pounds to 68 million pounds, but energy engineering showed an increase of 94 percent to 33 million pounds compared with 17 million pounds earlier. The general engineering section showed operating profits of 11 million pounds compared with five million.

Management said that it had a record order book worth more than six billion pounds, and that the arms division was to be re-organised in response to declining profits.

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#90256d8490 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 13) - Thai Airways International (THAI) has cancelled an option for four McDonnell Douglas MD-11 passenger planes after the U.S.-based manufacturer postponed delivery for another year, a THAI spokeswoman said here Thursday.

THAI's board of directors on Wednesday decided to terminate an option for purchasing a second batch of MD-11's worth some 400 million U.S. dollars, after determining that the delays were detrimental to the airline's expansion plans, the spokeswoman said.

According to the original agreement, McDonnell Douglas was supposed to deliver

the first lot of four aircraft by the end of this year, but then had requested to deliver two of them in March and April next year, and the other two in January and February of 1992, she said.

"Our executives fear that actual deliveries could be made much later than requested," she said, adding that such delays could pose complex problems for the airline's expansion plan.

THAI's executives were also worried about the MD-11's fuel consumption using General Electric engines, as it was much higher than agreed upon, she said.

The executive said there was a strong possibility that THAI may decide to purchase more Boeing 747-400's.

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#90256d8690 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (SEPT. 13) - Herties, the third biggest West German store chain, is to co-operate with the British Barclays bank to launch a joint credit card, Hertie said here on Thursday.

From January 1 Hertie will replace its traditional client card with a new card which can be used as a credit card giving access to such facilities as insurance.

Some 450,000 Hertie customers use the client card to settle bills totalling 415 million Deutsche marks (262 million dollars) in 1989.

Barclays Bank is the biggest issuer of credit cards in Europe, accounting for 14 million cards, Hertie said.

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#90256d8910 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 13) - Senior finance officials of leading Western countries and Japan met here Thursday for day-long talks centering on the consequences of the six-week old Gulf crisis for world economic growth and finance.

The same group of high-level policy-makers and central bank officials agreed Wednesday, in a committee of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), on the need for governments to stick to anti-inflationary policies in the wake of the oil price increase.

The officials were meeting Thursday as deputies of the Group of Ten (G10) finance ministers to look at the fall-out from the crisis from a broader angle, delegation sources said.

The G10 is the caucus that coordinates the position of the leading industrial

countries in the policy-making bodies of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank.

The "deputies", chaired by Bank of Italy director general Lamberto Dini, were planning to review the latest IMF report on the world economic outlook assessing the prospects for both developed and developing countries.

The sources said they were also expected to take stock of progress achieved in implementing the current debt strategy for highly-indebted middle income countries, based on the 18-month old "Brady initiative", presented by U.S. Treasury secretary Nicholas Brady.

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#90256d8970 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (SEPT. 13) - West Germany has agreed to provide an interest-free loan of three billion Deutsche marks (nearly two billion dollars) to the Soviet Union to finance the withdrawal of 380,000 Soviet soldiers stationed in East Germany governmental sources said here on Thursday.

The loan is in addition to the sum of 12 billion marks (7.6 billion dollars) which Germany has agreed to pay for the stationing, and withdrawal, of the Soviet army from Germany by December 31 1994.

Late on Wednesday Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev said that West Germany was to pay the Soviet Union costs of 15 billion marks.

The sources said that of the 12 billion marks, 7.8 billion marks would be spent on the construction of homes for the families of Soviet military personnel returning to the Soviet Union.

West Germany will also contribute three billion marks to a fund for the upkeep of Soviet troops who will remain in Germany during the next four years.

A sum of one billion marks will finance the removal of soldiers and their families and of equipment, and a further 200 million marks will be spent on re-training soldiers.

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#90256d9030 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRID (SEPT. 13) - The Spanish state-owned holding company INI has sold 60 percent of the ENASA commercial vehicle manufacturer to the Italian Fiat auto company, the two companies announced on Thursday.

ENASA manufactures lorries sold under the Pegaso name, and was initially earmarked for sale to the West German companies of Mercedes-Benz and Daimler until the West German cartel (monopolies) office objected.

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#90256d9140 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT. 12) - Iran and Syria, solid allies during the Gulf war, now appear to be coming down on different sides in the current standoff between Iraq and the West.

At the same time, both the United States and Iraq are cultivating their former foes in Damascus and Teheran as they scramble for the diplomatic and strategic advantage in the aftermath of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Syrian President Hafez al-Assad, who has bristled under repeated U.S. accusations that he supports terrorism, was Thursday preparing to receive U.S. Secretary of State James Baker.

Mr. Assad on Wednesday delivered a scathing attack on the Iraqi invasion, descibing it as "unforgivable," and minimized the impact of the massive U.S. and Western troop deployment in the Gulf.

Just hours ahead of the Syrian leader's remarks, Iranian Spiritual Guide Ayatollah Ali Khamenei announced that Moslem popular resistance to U.S. troops in the Gulf would constitute holy war and said those who died in the struggle would be martyrs.

Syria was virtually Iran's only backer during the eight-year war Gulf war with Iraq. But while Damascus in the present Gulf crisis has maintained its long-standing antipathy to Baghdad, Iran is now showing signs of moving closer to its former adversary.

Ayatollah Khamenei's call for resistance to U.S. "hegemony" came as the influential Teheran Times newspaper, with close links to the government, reported that Iran was considering supplying Iraq with food and medicine in defiance of a United Nations trade embargo.

Iran condemned the Iraqi seizure of Kuwait but has now responded positively to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's appeal for a jihad, or holy war, against the presence of U.S. troops stationed in Saudi Arabia.

In addition to a shared repugnance toward foreign military intervention, Iran may also be responding to a dramatic announcement by President Hussein on August 15 in which he in effect accepted Teheran's terms for a formal end to the Gulf war.

The announcement made possible a visit to Iran last Sunday by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz as part of Baghdad's campaign to enlist Iranian support in its confrontation with the West.

Ayatollah Khamenei's remarks Wednesday coincided with a statement by Iraq's supreme religious authority calling on Moslems to wage jihad against the United States and to drive its forces from Saudi Arabia, where Islamic holy sites in Mecca and Medina are located.

The presence of U.S. troops, the committee of Moslem clergymen declared, "sullies the holy places and does harm to Moslem dignity and honor."

The committee also ruled that Islam prohibited appeals for help to "unbelievers," a reference to requests for military assistance issued by Saudi Arabia following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

But an international Moslem organization, the World Islamic Congress, shortly afterwards declared at a meeting in Mecca that Saudi Arabia was in fact authorized by Islamic law to call for help in its self-defense.

The Congress, made up of clergymen and thinkers and linked to the Organization of the Islamic Conference, argued that there were no foreigners at the holy sites in Mecca and Medina.

The estimated 100,000 U.S. troops have been deployed in the desert in eastern Saudi Arabia, where they are reported to have little or no contact with Saudi civilians.

In Damascus, President Assad dismissed concern over the presence of foreign forces in the Gulf, stressing that "the critical problem does not stem from their presence but is instead a strictly Arab problem -- the occupation of Kuwait."

For years a regional antagonist of the United States, Syria has been praised by Washington for its rejection of the Iraqi invasion and the visit of Mr. Baker to Damascus signals a dramatic improvement in its relations with the West.

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#90256d9200 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (SEPT. 13) - British Minister for Overseas Development Lynda Chalker said here Thursday she would urge British Airways and other European national carriers to help repatriate thousands of foreigners stranded in Jordan after fleeing Iraq and Kuwait.

"There are still people waiting to go home and international relief organisations cannot cope" with the influx, Mrs. Chalker told a press conference.

More than half a million foreigners fled to Jordan following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

Mrs. Chalker said Jordanian officials still expected a potentially catastrophic migration via the kingdom as an estimated 360,000 Egyptians and Asians wait in Iraq for their repatriation.

Her press conference was not attended by Jordanian journalists, who are boycotting British officials to protest what they contend are London's anti-Arab policies.

Local reporters walked out of a press conference here September 5 given by Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd.

Mrs. Chalker, who met with Interior Minister Salem Masa'deh, was due to leave for London on Friday.

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#90256d9270 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAMPALA (SEPT. 13) - The current Organisation of African Unity (OAU) chairman Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni, received on Wednesday a message from the Emir of Kuwait Sheikh Jaber al-Sabbah.

Radio Uganda on Thursday said the message was delivered by the Kuwait Minister for Communication Habib Hayat at state house in Entebbe. Its contents were not disclosed.

On Tuesday, Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi received a special message from the emir. Mr. Moi told Mr. Hayat that Kenya was against Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait and that "Kenya stood by all United Nations resolutions and was against any kind of aggression."

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#90256d9280 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 13) - Namibian Foreign Minister Theo-Ben Gurirab Thursday said his government had spurned Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's weekend offer of free oil to Third World countries.

In an interview with South African SABC radio broadcast here, Mr. Gurirab said his government had condemned the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait as "unprovoked naked aggression".

"We saw it a blatant violation of the charter of the United Nations and therefore we supported the resolutions of the Security Council condemning Iraq and calling upon (it) to withdraw its forces so that the lawful government of Kuwait could be restored," he said.

The United States government has said the "free oil" offer made by Mr. Hussein

reflects his desperation over economic sanctions imposed on Baghdad.

The Iraqi leader early this week offered Third World countries free oil if they made their own arrangements for shipping to get around a United Nations embargo.

Last week, higher world crude oil prices forced Namibia to put its petrol prices up by 10 cents a litre to 1.26 rand (49 U.S. cents) a litre.

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#90256d9300 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT. 13) - The Soviet Union's deepening economic crisis could spark a military coup, according to reports here Thursday.

''The military-industrial complex will use its computers to calculate all the possibilities,'' said Literaturnaya Gazeta, ''and will come up with the computation that the safest and cheapest solution is a military coup.''

A key factor in such calculations is the spectre of ''tens of thousands of unemployed and homeless'' former troops and dependents following impending troop withdrawals from Eastern Europe.

The newspaper chided radical pro-reform activists for acting as though the Soviet army no longer exists.

''It is just amazing how we let the genie out of the bottle and then tug on his beard and think they can coax him back inside whenever we please,'' the newspaper observed.

In event of a coup, the Soviet paper added, ''The generals could only count on support from conservatives in society,'' meaning that pro-reform activists ''would have their toes stepped on.''

The weekly newspaper Moskovskiye Novosti, meanwhile, published a chronology for a potential military takeover, quoting representatives of the ''Shchit'' (Shield) organisation.

Under that plan, the paper said, liberal officers in the Soviet Army would hand over power to military officials on ''X-Day.'' Broadcast facilities would be seized and ''foreign mass media neutralized.''

Martial law would be imposed if any form of opposition arose, according to the paper.

''The rationalization would be that perestroika is in danger, that Gorbachev is leading the country to ruin and had wrecked the economy and betrayed the ideals of socialism,'' the paper wrote.

''An 'X-Day' may not even be necessary,'' it added, ''because the Soviet Union is already edging closer and closer to martial law - it is already a daily fact of life in many troubled redions.'' Continued economic malaise could make the populace ''beg for imposition of martial law.''

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#90256d9320 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WOLFSBURG, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 13) - West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl warned here Thursday against the European Community (E.C.) being opened to membership by all nations of Europe, saying the body could lose its political effectiveness.

At the opening session of the first International Partnerhip Initiative (Ipi) congress, Kohl said the E.C. must remain restricted to a few countries, otherwise it would degenerate into being merely a customs union.

Kohl was speaking to some 500 politicians, industrialists and economists from 36 countries meeting for two days for the first Ipi congress, titled ''Europe and The World In Upheaval''.

Earlier, Martin Bangemann, deputy chairman of the European Community Commission, said that the E.C. would be open to all democratic countries of Europe, including those of Eastern Europe.

But the E.C. first wanted to complete its ''Single Market'' project and so only starting after 1993 can consideration be given to taking on new members, Bangemann said.

Another speaker at the opening session, Czechoslovak Finance Minister Vaclav Klaus said Czechoslovakia will join the International Monetary Fund (Imf) and World Bank next week.

Klaus said the legislation for the Imf and World Bank memberships will be passed by the Czechoslovak parliament later Thursday.

He said that Czechoslovakia would rigorously pursue market economic reforms. Prices, capital transfers and foreign trade will be liberalised.

The Ipi congress on Friday will review North-South issues, with speakers including former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt, Club of Rome President Alexander King, and representatives sent by developing countries.

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#90256d9370 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONTPELLIER, FRANCE (SEPT. 13) - Some plant species can communicate with one

another chemically and even warn of attackers, a South African zoologist claimed said here Thursday.

Speaking at the International Colloquium on the Tree, Wouter van Hoven of the University of Pretoria supported his thesis with his study of 3,000 antelopes that died of tannic acid poisoning in 1985 after dining on acacia leaves.

Van Hoven said he discovered that an acacia tree releases ethylene to warn other plants that it is being munched on. Ethylene is a gaseous substance important in many aspects of a plant's metabolism.

''This message can carry 50 metres'' van Hoven said. ''In less than 15 minutes the neighbour that's been warned increases the concentration of tannin in its leaves, which thereby become poisonous.''

Even plants of different species can communicate chemically, he said. Van Hoven's colleagues warned of making premature generalisations, however.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 13) - The International Olympic Committee (IOC) reaffirmed Thursday that only African nations could determine when South Africa had gone far enough towards racial integration to be allowed back into the Olympics.

The IOC executive board, hearing a report from its commission on apartheid, agreed that the time was not yet right for South Africa's return to the Olympic movement.

The commission considered that legislation on racial segregation is still in force in South Africa and "it is not the time to alleviate sanctions," IOC director of information Michel Verdier said.

But she said the time was right for the IOC to make clear that "it is ready to open the door if significant changes take place" in South Africa's apartheid policy.

South Africa was expelled from the Olympics in 1970 because of apartheid and most other sports organizations later followed the IOC's lead.

The IOC executive board, which opened a four-day meeting here Thursday in the run-up to an annual full IOC session, stressed "it was up to the African sports organizations to tell the IOC when it will be time to have South Africa back," Verdier said.

IOC president Juan Antonio Samaranch has repeatedly said that a "solution will come from Africa," she added.

Samaranch said in Stockholm last week that South Africa would probably be re-admitted to the Olympics for the 1996 Games.

But an international conference on apartheid in the Swedish capital called for the boycott of South African sport to contine until satisfactory progress was made in dismantling apartheid.

Primo Nebiolo, president of the International Amateur Athletic Federation, said in Athens on Sunday the African athletic federation would hold talks with South Africans in Dakar after the African track and field championships in October.

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#90256d9400 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 13) - West Germany and the Soviet Union initialed a treaty here Thursday spelling out future ties between the two countries - and guaranteeing the Soviet Union billions of Deutschmarks for the upkeep and housing of its troops.

In the ''treaty of good neighbourliness, partnership and cooperation'', the two nations promised ''never to use armed forces first against one another or against third nations'' and agreed to hold a summit every year.

They are also to provide the most favourable conditions for one another's business ventures.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and Bonn counterpart Hans-Dietrich Genscher set their initials to the accord a day after the signature of an historic treaty between the Germanys and the four main World War Two allies on ''external aspects'' of German unity.

Wednesday's signing happened to take place precisely 35 years after West Germany and the Soviet Union established diplomatic relations. The Soviet-German treaty is to be formally signed by Chancellor Helmut Kohl and President Mikhail Gorbachev later.

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#90256d9430 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (SEPT. 13) - Manfred Woerner, the secretary general of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, arrived here on Thursday for the first official visit to Poland by a NATO chief.

His four-day visit will center on "security in Europe", as well as "Poland's desire for a rapprochement with NATO", official sources said.

Mr. Woerner, who was met at the airport by Foreign Minister Krzysztof

Skubiszewski, will address the Polish parliament later in the day.

On Thursday and Friday he will have meetings with President Wojciech Jaruzelski and Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki.

The leader of the Atlantic Alliance will also travel to the northern port of Gdansk for talks with Solidarity leader Lech Walesa.

Poland saw NATO as "an essential factor in the stability" on the continent, official sources said.

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#90256d9730 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRAZZAVILLE (SEPT. 13) - Police armed with clubs swept into the headquarters of the Congo's CSC trade union confederation on Thursday to stop protests a day after President Denis Sassou-Nguesso disbanded a CSC congress.

Witnesses saw other police units take up positions around the Brazzaville labour exchange, where trade union leaders tend to organize meetings and rallies.

General Sassou-Nguesso scrapped the CSC congress, which opened last Friday, because top unionists had refused to discuss leadership changes with him, officials said.

The confederation, a specialized organ of the ruling Labour Party ((PCT), had during its session called for the immediate introduction of multi-party politics and a national conference to debate democracy.

Delegates recommended the re-election of long-serving secretary-general Jean Michel Bokamba-Yangouma, but wanted all party central committee members holding CSC leadership posts expelled, as part of a bid to become independent of the government.

The Labour Party politburo had earlier agreed to an independent role for the confederation, conditional on changes to the constitution.

But it turned down the calls for political pluralism and at a meeting late Wednesday decided to scrap the confederation's permanent secretariat, party spokesman Paul Ngatse said.

The secretariat was replaced by a coordinating committee formed to run union affairs, but the politburo was not making the membership public, he said.

The party's number two, Lekoundzou Itihi Ossetoumba, said Gen. Sassou-Nguesso had taken the unionists' refusal to meet him as a "personel affront" and had "therefore decided to annul the congress", which had been due to end Thursday.

The Congo's military ruler opened the CSC congress with a warning to those too "impatient" to install a multi-party system. Constitutional changes and the legalization of new political parties are slated for early next year, after a PCT congress.

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#90256d9740 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (SEPT. 13) - Former Petroleum Resources Minister Tam David-West was Thursday arraigned before a special Nigerian military tribunal charged with corrupt enrichment while he was in office.

David-West, 54, was accused of abusing his office and contributing to the economic adversity of Nigeria by allowing Stinnes Interoil Inc., an American firm, to unlawfully withold 57,117,443 dollars.

That was the amount outstanding of a total of 157,117,443 dollars, the total value with interest of Nigerian crude oil lifted by Stinnes under an offshore processing agreement between it and the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (Nnpc).

The charge alleged that Stinnes paid only 100 million dollars of the 157,117,443 dollars and that David-West allowed the company to unlawfully withold the balance under the false claim that the outstanding amount ''represented the settled payment of damages for Nnpc breach of the 1984 contract with Stinnes despite strong evidence given that the alleged contract was non-existent.''

David-West, a professor of virology at Nigeria's prestigious University of Ibadan, vehemently expressed his innocence and pleaded not guilty to the charges.

Tribunal chairman, Justice Bello Gusau, ordered that David-West be remanded in prison custody until Monday when the tribunal would decide whether to grant David-West bail for the period of his trial.

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#90256d9750 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (SEPT. 13) - Seven officials of the Iraqi embassy in Egypt and their families were briefly detained at Cairo airport early Thursday as they were to board a regular Royal Jordanian flight to Amman, airport sources said.

About 20 diplomats and dependents were at first told they would be prevented from leaving but were later authorized to depart after contacts between the airport and foreign ministry, they said.

Officials gave no explanation for the hold-up.

A ministry official said earlier that Egyptian diplomats posted in Kuwait had abandoned the embassy there last week when vital supplies ran out.

But he stressed that the evacuation of embassy premises did not signal any change in Egypt's refusal to recognize Iraq's annexation of Kuwait.

Eight of the 22 embassies in Kuwait that defied an Iraqi order to shut down and relocate to Baghdad by August 24 have now been forced to announce provisional closures.

Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2 and later annexed the oil-rich emirate.

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#90256d9760 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (SEPT. 13) - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz met here Thursday with PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat to discuss the Gulf crisis, the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported.

Mr. Aziz and Mr. Arafat "examined the situation in light of the U.S. and Zionist presence on Arab land and in the holy sites of Nejd and Hejaz (Iraq's term for Saudi Arabia), as well as the danger and threat this presence represents for Arab national security," INA said.

The agency was referring to a massive, notably U.S., military buildup in Saudi Arabia and neighboring Gulf states sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Arafat arrived here Wednesday from Jordan where he held talks with King Hussein in a bid to seek a political solution to the confrontation between Iraq and the West.

The Palestine Liberation Organization has sided with Iraq on the divisive invasion issue and voted against the deployment of Arab troops in the region during an emergency Arab summit in Cairo on August 10.

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#90256d9770 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DUESSELDORF, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 13) - Some 250 cubic metres of diesel oil spilled into the Rhine River after two tanker ships collided Thursday, creating an oil slick 37 kilometres long.

The Duesseldorf city government sounded the so-called Rhine alarm, causing the water works along the lower Rhine to stop drawing drinking water.

According to the river police in Duisburg, the captain of the 1,000-tonne ship that leaked the oil was able to pump part of the cargo into undamaged tanks. But the rest of the oil flowed into the river for six hours until a lighter arrived for reloading.

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#90256d9790 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (SEPT. 13) - The North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) on Thursday hailed the signing of the "Two plus Four" treaty in Moscow Wednesday as "a milestone in overcoming the division of Europe and in the building of a new European architecture."

"This historic agreement paves the way for the unification of Germany and prepares its return to full sovereignty," a statement said.

The agreement, concluded after seven months of negotiation, allows for Germany to belong to the NATO alliance.

West Germany has also agreed to pay 12 billion Deutche marks (seven billion dollars) towards the cost of repatriating Soviet troops from East Germany.

-30- 852
#90256d9900 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GRONINGEN, NETHERLANDS (SEPT. 13) - The Dutch posts, telephone and telecommunications undertaking on Thursday reported a net interim profit of 742 million guilder (417 million dollars).

This represented an increase of 11 percent on the corresponding period of 1989 while sales rose by five percent to 6.8 billion guilder from 6.5 billion guilder.

Both postal and telecommunications operations contributed to the improvement, the company said.

Management said that it expected the second-half profit to be at least as big as during the first half.

The group employs 94,900 people of whom more than 60 percent work in the postal service.

Since Jan. 1, 1989 the management functions of the group have been made individually accountable, and operations have been separated into specialist companies.

The state remains the sole shareholder and has reserved the right to sell shares on the open market in coming years.

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#90256d9910 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT. 13) - Highly toxic gas poured into the atmosphere after an explosion touched off a fire in a factory producing fuel for a nuclear plant in the Soviet Central Asian republic of Kazakhstan, the Tass news agency reported.

It said authorities issued an emergency warning to residents to stay shut tight in their homes after the incident Wednesday, and the factory's ventilation systems were cut off to avoid contaminating the area.

The explosion occurred in the unit producing beryllium, a heat-resistant metal used in the construction of nuclear reactors, according to Tass which said both the fire and the gas leaks were brought under control in an hour-and-a-half.

The factory was situated in Oust-Kamenogorsk, near the city of Semipalatinsk.

Tass said there were only a few minor injuries and no one had been contaminated, but authorities would continue to test air samples.

It said beryllium production could produce "very toxic" gas leaks but that the level of radiation was normal.

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#90256d9940 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 13) - North Sea Brent crude oil prices continued to rise here on Thursday because of increased nervousness about the Gulf situation, analysts said.

Brent for October delivery was trading at 31.25 dollars a barrel in the early afternoon, against 30.70 at the opening and 30.55 dollars at the Wednesday close.

Alan Sinclair, an analyst at Smith New Court brokerage, said that the gain was a continuation of the uptrend that got under way on Wednesday after Iranian spiritual guide Ayatollah Ali Khamenei called on all Moslems to fight the U.S. deployment of troops in the Gulf region.

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#90256d9960 09/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (SEPT. 13) - Iraq has allowed Philippine Airlines (PAL) planes to land in Baghdad to evacuate Filipinos, the Manila government said Thursday as the state-run airline reported that it has evacuated 7,000 Filipinos from the Gulf.

The figure, which does not include those evacuated by foreign countries and relief organizations, represented less than 10 per cent of the total stranded in Kuwait and Iraq since the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Iraqi ambassador to the Philippines Ali Sumaida informed Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus that Baghdad has approved PAL landing at Baghdad airport to evacuate Filipino refugees and bring in food and medicine for the rest, foreign department spokesmen here said.

Philippine President Corazon Aquino also decided Thursday to ask Jordan to accredit more Filipino diplomats to augment the Philippine Embassy in Amman which is burdened by the huge influx of refugees, the foreign department said.

A statement by government-run PAL said it flew in Monday 373 passengers from the Gulf, bringing the total to 7,000, and that more are expected to arrive here later in the day via a PAL plane diverted from Europe.

PAL said it scheduled 11 more evacuation flights between September 14 and October 1, and that about 4,200 refugees can be accomodated on those flights.

On Wednesday a total of 478 contract workers and dependents, including four infants, arrived aboard a Boeing 747 chartered by the International Organization for Migration (IOM) following an appeal from Manila for international help.

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#90256e0005 09/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Beijing (SEPT. 13) EFE - China has sent no food or medicines to Iraq since Baghdad ordered the invasion of Kuwait over a month ago, but it has not ruled out doing so in the future, a Foreign Ministry spokeswoman said Thursday.

The spokeswoman pointed out that the United Nations embargo against Iraq does not include humanitarian aid, reiterating the position taken by his government last week.

She said she knew nothing about Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yasin Ramadan's supposed attempts to arrange for food and medicine shipments during his visit to China last week.

Western diplomats have said China might try to secure the exit of an estimated 5,000 Chinese trapped in Iraq and Kuwait with the shipment of food and medicine to Baghdad.

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#90256e0008 09/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (SEPT 13) EFE An Israeli military court Thursday opened the trial of a group of Palestinian guerrillas accused of launching an aborted attack in May on an Israeli beach resort.

Four of the 16-member attack force, who are alleged members of Abu Abbas' Palestine Liberation Front (PLF) guerrilla group, were shot dead by Israeli security forces as they attempted to land May 30 on the crowded beach near Tel Aviv.

According to a report Thursday by the Israeli daily Haaretz, the guerrilla group was also planning to attack the U.S. embassy, which is close to the beach, and several Jewish religious sites in Jerusalem.

Haaretz said the group had spent 18 months training in Libya prior to the attempted attack.

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#90256e0009 09/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (SEPT 13) EFE - The ex-head of Israel's Mossad secret service has claimed that Iraq is planning to use radical Palestinian guerrillas to kill Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Saudi Arabian King Fahd.

"Mubarak has acted bravely but this might cost him his life," former Mossad chief Rafi Eitan told Tel Aviv daily Haaretz in an interview published Thursday.

Egypt has been at the forefront of the Arab nations that are opposed to Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and Mubarak has sent troops to Saudi Arabia to protect it from a possible Iraqi attack.

Eitan said that King Fahd might also be targeted for allowing the huge U.S. military presence on his soil.

Quoting another, unnamed, intelligence source, Haaretz said Israel has received information that Palestinian guerrilla leaders Abu Abbas, Abu Nidal, Abu Ibrahim and Abu Salam were all "cooperating" with Baghdad.

All those guerrillas have at one point belonged to the radical Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

Abu Abbas was believed to be reponsible for an aborted seaborne attack on a crowded Israeli beach in May.

An Israeli military court Thursday began the first day of the trial of 12 alleged memebrs of Abu Abbas' Palestine Liberation Front charged with the beach assault.

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#90256e0018 09/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
DUSSELDORF, WEST GERMANY (SEPT 13) EFE - Two tankers collided on the Rhine Thursday close to the industrial city of Dusseldorf, spilling 250 cubic meters of gasoline and creating a 37 kilometer-long slick, police said.

The authorities in Dusseldorf, 80 km north of Bonn, immediately declared an international alarm.

But emergency services were unable to contain the leakage and gasoline poured from the two ships for six hours until the remaning fuel was pumped into a support vessel.

The two ships were carrying a total of 1,000 tons of gasoline, and the cause of the accident is unknown, police said.

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#90256e0030 09/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT 13) EFE - The foreign ministers of the Soviet Union and West Germany Thursday signed a friendship pact, agreeing never to use their armies against each other and not to side with an aggressor who attacks the other.

The agreement is perfectly in accord with the historic Two Plus Four treaty signed Wednesday, under which East and West Germany agreed that after unification their armies would be used "only in agreement with the constitution and the United Nations charter."

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl are to sign the treaty after it has been ratified by their respective parliaments.

The friendship agreement also calls for wide-ranging cooperation in other areas, including politics, culture, society and ecology.

West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said that the relations between the united Germany and the Soviet Union will be "much more than the simple sum of the relations between Moscow with Bonn and East Germany."

The new Germany is expected to become one of the Soviet Union's most important trading partners.

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#90256f1969 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Thursday 379.44 off 5.27.

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#90256h0025 09/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - BRITAIN IS NEGOTIATING A MULTI-BILLION-POUND DEAL WITH SAUDI ARABIA TO SUPPLY CHEMIAL WEAPON PROTECTION SUITS TO THE ARABIAN COUNTRY AS TENSION WAS MOUNTING IN THE GULF REGION, BRITISH OFFICIALS SAID TODAY.

THEY SAID THE CONTRACT BEING DISCUSSED INVOLVES EQUIPPING AND TRAINING AS MANY AS 10 MILLION PEOPLE WITH NUCLEAR, BIOLOGICAL AND CHEMICAL SUITS.

SAUDI ARABIA PLANS TO SEEK THE PROTECTION OF EVERY CITIZEN AS BRITAIN DID DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR WITH DISTRIBUTION OF GAS MASKS TO EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD.

THE EQUIPMENT, CONSISTING OF A SUIT, GAS MASK, GLOVES, BOOTS, AND DETECTION AND DECONTAMINATION PACKS, WOULD COST 500 POUNDS (930 DOLLARS) FOR EACH.

THE NEGOTIATIONS IN SAUDI ARABIA FOR THE CONTRACT ARE BEING CONDUCTED BY BRITISH AEROSPACE (BAE) IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE EMBASSY'S DEFENSE SUPPLY OFFICE.

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#90256h0026 09/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 13) XINHUA - THE SOVIET UNION HAS BEGUN IMPORTING GASOLINE FROM WORLD MARKET FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE WORLD WAR TWO, OIL TRADERS SAID TODAY.

THE SOVIET UNION NORMALLY CUT BACK ITS GASOLINE EXPORTS DURING THE SUMMER. BUT COMPLETE VANISHING OF THEIR EXPORTS "IS VERY IRREGULAR," THE REUTERS QUOTED A TRADER AS SAYING. "WE HAVE NEVER SEEN THIS BEFORE," HE ADDED.

THE SOVIET UNION'S IMPORT OF GASOLINE FROM THE NORTHWEST EUROPEAN (NWE) MARKETS WAS REGARDED AS ONE OF THE REASONS FLARING UP THE GASOLINE PRICES.

ANALYSTS SAID THE SOVIET UNION, WHICH HAS ONE OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST OIL SECTORS, WOULD CONTINUE TO IMPORT GASOLINE IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER. BUT IT MAY BE FINDING IT DIFFICUT TO COME UP WITH THE CASH TO PAY FOR THE IMPORTS, THEY SAID.

OIL EXPERTS ARE PUZZELED WHY THE SOVIET UNION TURNED TO THE WORLD GASOLINE MARKET. TECHNICAL PROBLEMS, STRIKES AND LACK OF INVESTMENT ARE AMONG THE SPECULATED REASONS.

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#90256h0027 09/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 12) XINHUA - AFTER ALOMST 200 YEARS OF THE DEATH OF GREAT COMPOSER WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART, A BRITISH MEDICAL RESEARCH SAID TODAY THAT HE DIED OF KIDNEY DISEASE, DEFUSING THE ALLEGATION THAT HE WAS POISONED BY A RIVAL.

"THE EVIDENCE LENDS NO SUPPORT TO THE IDEA THAT HE WAS POISONED," THE LATEST ISSUE OF THE JOURNAL OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE SAID.

SALIERI, CONSIDERED MOZART'S GREAT RIVAL, CONFESSED IN OLD AGE TO POISONING THE YOUNG COMPOSER AT HIS AGE OF 35 ON DECEMBER 5, 1791, BUT LATER HE RETRACTED.

DR. MARY WHEATER, OF HINCHINGBROOKE HOSPITAL, HUNTINGDON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE, SAID IN HER ARTICLE PUBLISHED IN THE JOURNAL THAT HER EVIDENCE ENTIRELY EXONERATED SALIERI.

FROM HER REVIEW OF BIOGRAPHICAL AND HISTORICAL EVIDENCE, DR WHEATER FOUND THAT MOZART WAS A MAN BLIGHTED BY A SERIES OF ILLNESSES THAT BEGAN IN INFANCY.

YOUNG MOZART WAS A FRAIL, SICKLY CHILD WHO ALMOST DIED AT THE AGE OF TEN FROM WHAT WAS PROBABLY TYPHOID FEVER. HE HAD SMALLPOX WHEN HE WAS 12 AND JAUNDICE WHEN HE WAS 16.

"HE OFTEN WROTE UNTIL TWO IN THE MORNING AND ROSE AGAIN AT FOUR. THESE HABITS OF WORK ARGUE A ROBUST CONSTITUTION. THEY ARE NOT CONSISTENT WITH CHRONIC, DEBILITATING DISEASE," SHE WROTE.

BY JULY 1789, MOZART WAS COMPLAINING OF DEPRESSION, HEADACHES, TOOTHACHE AND MALAISE, AND HIS PRODUCTIVITY DECLINED, SHE SAID.

SHE SAID IF HE HAD BEEN POISONED, HIS SYMPTOMS WOULD HAVE INCLUDED SKIN BLEMISHES, THICKENING NAILS AND BURNING PAINS IN THE MOUTH AND THROAT, BUT THESE WERE NOT PRESENT.

"MY BELIEF IS THAT HE DIED AS A RESULT OF KIDNEY FAILURE," SHE SAID. IF HE HAD BEEN LIVING TODAY, HIS LIFE WOULD HAVE BEEN SAVED BY RENAL DIALYSIS OR A KIDNEY TRANSPLANT, SHE ADDED.

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#90256h0042 09/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

FREETOWN (SEPT. 13) XINHUA - AS A CIVIL WAR DRAGS ON IN LIBERIA, AN EPIDEMIC DISEASE CHOLERA BROKE OUT IN SOME PARTS OF THE CAPITAL CITY OF MONROVIA ACCORDING TO REPORTS FROM THE LIBERIAN CAPITAL REACHING HERE.

THE REPORTS SAID THAT AT THE END OF LAST WEEK, FOUR PEOPLE DIED OF CHOLERA IN A COMMUNITY WHERE SOME 2,000 REFUGEES STAY.

ISOLATED CASES OF CHOLERA WERE ALSO REPORTED IN OTHER PLACES OF THE CITY.

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#90256h0052 09/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 13) XINHUA - THE GULF CRISIS HAS FORCED NEW ZEALAND DAIRY EXPORTS TO THE MIDDLE EAST DOWN 20 PERCENT OR ABOUT 2.5 MILLION N.Z. DOLLARS (1.55 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN THE PAST TWO WEEKS, THE LOCAL PRESS REPORTED.

THE FALL DID NOT INCLUDE THE EFFECTS OF THE TRADE BAN WITH IRAQ AND KUWAIT, ACCORDING TO NEVILLE NARTIN, SPOKESMAN FOR THE DAIRY BOARD OF NEW ZEALAND.

"UNCERTAINTY AMONG BUYERS AND REDUCED LENDING BY ARAB BANKS SEEMED TO HAVE CAUSED THE DROP IN SALES," MARTIN SAID.

IRAQ AND KUWAIT HAD BEEN EXPECTED TO TAKE 35 MILLION N.Z. DOLLARS (21.7 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) WORTH OF NEW ZEALAND DAIRY PRODUCTS IN THE REST OF THIS SEASON.

THE FALLOUT FROM THE CRISIS HAD ALSO SPREAD TO OTHER MIDDLE EAST MARKETS, WHICH ON AVERAGE BOUGHT A TOTAL OF 6 MILLION N.Z. DOLLARS (ABOUT 1 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) OF BUTTER, CHEESE AND MILK POWDER A WEEK FROM NEW ZEALAND.

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#90256h0075 09/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 13) XINHUA- HONG KONG WILL CONDUCT A POPULATION CENSUS FROM MARCH 15 TO 24 NEXT YEAR.

A RECRUITMENT PROGRAM WILL BEGIN NEXT WEEK TO DRAW IN TEMPORARY ENUMERATION STAFF FOR THE CENSUS, BENJAMIN MOK, COMMISSIONER FOR CENSUS AND STATISTICS OF HONG KONG, SAID AT A LUNCHEON MEETING OF THE LIONS CLUB HERE TODAY.

DURING THE 10-DAY CENSUS PERIOD, CENSUS OFFICERS WILL VISIT ALL HOUSEHOLDS IN HONG KONG TO OBTAIN BASIC INFORMATION OF EACH FAMILY MEMBER SUCH AS AGE, SEX AND RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF THE HOUSEHOLD.

THE POPULATION OF HONG KONG AS AT THE END OF JUNE WAS ESTIMATED AT 5.8 MILLION BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

HE SAID POPULATION DATA COLLECTED BY A CENSUS WAS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE PLANNING OF GOVERNMENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND TO THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

"THE POPULATION CENSUS IS ESSENTIAL FOR PLANNING THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG.

"THE DATA WILL BE USED BY GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS TO FORMULATE POLICIES AS WELL AS TO PRIORITIZE ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES IN PROVIDING PUBLIC SERVICES.

"THE INFORMATION WILL ALSO BE USED BY THE BUSINESS SECTOR TO APPRAISE MARKET CONDITIONS AND BY ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS TO CONDUCT RESEARCHES," HE SAID.

OVER 14,000 TEMPORARY ENUMERATION STAFF WILL BE REQUIRED TO CARRY OUT THE FIELD OPERATION.

THE RECRUITMENT PROGRAM WHICH RUNS FROM NEXT WEEK TILL MID-OCTOBER, IS TARGETED AT TEACHERS AND SENIOR STUDENTS IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS.

TRAINING WILL BE ARRANGED FROM THE END OF 1990 TO EARLY 1991 TO EQUIP THE ENUMERATION STAFF WITH THE NECESSARY KNOWLEDGE FOR CONDUCTING THE CENSUS PROPERLY.

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#90256h0076 09/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LHASA (SEPT. 13) XINHUA - PEOPLE IN LHASA, CAPITAL OF THE TIBET AUTONOMOUS REGION, ARE NOW ABLE TO MAKE TELEPHONE CALLS TO 500 CHINESE CITIES AND 100 FOREIGN COUNTRIES, AS A DIRECT-DIALLING AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE SERVICE WENT INTO OPERATION TODAY.

TO DATE, ALL CHINESE CITIES SERVING AS PROVINCIAL AND AUTONOMOUS REGIONAL CAPITALS HAVE ACCESS TO DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE COMMUNICATIONS VIA DIRECT DIALLING.

IN THE PAST IT TOOK SEVERAL HOURS OR EVEN LONGER TO MAKE A LONG-DISTANCE CALL TO LHASA FROM OTHER CITIES IN THE COUNTRY.

THIS IMPROVEMENT IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS WILL HAVE A PROFOUND IMPACT ON THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT OF TIBET, AN OFFICIAL FROM THE MINISTRY OF POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS SAID.

NOW, 606 CHINESE CITIES HAVE ACCESS TO DOMESTIC AUTOMATIC LONG-DISTANCE TELEPHONE SERVICES, AND 218 CITIES HAVE DIRECT-DIALLING HOOK-UPS TO 182 COUNTRIES AND REGIONS.

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#90256j0001 09/13/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

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Nightline (ABC) September 12, 1990 (Transcript #2428)

A Critical Look at U.S. Persian Gulf Policy: Iraq is suffering $2.5 billion a month in lost oil revenues and the flow of industrial, military and other supplies into the country has slowed to a trickle, which analysts say will soon affect transportation, utilities and other services. Reports of an agreement between Iraq and Iran for oil to go to Iran in exchange for shipments of food and medicine bring up arguments about the embargo failing and journalists clamoring for war.

Crossfire (CNN) September 12, 1990 (Transcript #138)

Is It Token Aid from Tokyo?: Republican Senator Alfonse D'Amato from New York and Kiyohiko Arafune, Japanese Consul-General to Los Angeles, discuss whether American allies and particularly Japan are doing enough to support U.S. operations in the Persian Gulf.

Larry King Live (CNN) September 12, 1990 (Transcript #128)

Paranormal Warfare: A Secret Military Power? / Carrie Fisher: A discussion with author and international crime specialist James Mills on the possibility of nations using paranormal techniques against other nations; actress and author Carrie Fisher discusses her new book, Surrender the Pink.

Bill Moyers' Specials September 12, 1990 (Transcript #6)

Amazing Grace: A look at what the hymn Amazing Grace means to singers, clergy members and the general population, especially with regard to the fact that it was written by John Newton, a former slave trader. Included are interviews with singer Judy Collins, country singer Johnny Cash and the Director and members of the Harlem Boys' Choir.

South Africa Now (PBS) September 12, 1990 (Transcript #27)

The all-white ruling National Party may be desegregating in response to a call from President De Klerk; Iraq may be turning to Pretoria for continued secret military help; elements of South African police criticized for contributing to political violence; thousands march through Lasaka, calling for a return to a multiparty system; some American businessmen are looking into investment opportunities and ways to help Angola recover from the ravages of war; South African Tourist Board launched a major advertising campaign in an effort to woo the travel industry with receptions in Los Angeles and New York; the continuing violence in South Africa is creating big problems for peaceful change; a profile of the South African group Ladysmith Black Mambazo.

Moneyline (CNN) September 12, 1990 (Transcript #182)

Optimism over budget talks shattered after negotiators discuss taxes and latest projections for 1991 deficit; Kuwait Airways is establishing an airline in exile, with headquarters in Cairo; if a recession does hit, U.S. business might be doing well enough to survive it, but the economy may be more vulnerable; advertising spending is expected to top $130 billion this year -- good, but not quite like the boom years of the '80s; the Soviet Union has found some economic relief in this year's record wheat harvest.

Good Morning America (ABC) September 12, 1990 (Transcript #1108)

A soldier's letter; the President's speech; Dick Williams interview; health care for the poor; Carrie Fisher interview; Barbara Bush interview; a child's secret (Joey DiPaolo, AIDS patient); James Earl Jones interview; propagating evergreens; Thai cuisine.

Geraldo September 12, 1990 (Transcript #780)

Church Sex Scandal (Part 2): The Betrayal of Trust: Men who claim they were secually abused by priests when they were younger share their experiences. Experts discuss the causes of pedophilia and sexual abuse in the church and what can be done to prevent it.

Donahue September 12, 1990 (Transcript #3032)

Soap Stars: Behind-the-Scenes Secrets: The stars of the new Broadway show Quiet On the Set discuss the play, which is the story of actors appearing in a soap opera while living out their own personal dramas.

Sally Jessy Raphael September 12, 1990 (Transcript #528)

Families Apart and in Conflict (Repeat-#447): A 30-year-old woman who hasn't seen her parents in 14 years reunites with them on the show. They talk about where their relationship went wrong and what they have learned from it. They also meet their son-in- law and two granddaughters for the first time. A woman and her 16-year-old son, who has just left home, talk about the problems in their relationship.

Oprah Winfrey Show September 12, 1990 (Transcript #1043)

Marriage Counseling Follow-Up: Two wives who knew they needed marriage counseling appeared on a recent show with their husbands who would not agree to seek therapy. The husbands accepted an offer to go through Dr. Harville Hendrix's workshop, and now that they have completed the workshop, they return with Dr. Hendrix to talk about what they learned.

See Also: Oprah Winfrey #987, 6/26/90, ''When Your Mate Won't Seek Counseling''.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) September 12, 1990 (Transcript #168)

Taking Back New York: Mayor Dinkins met with police brass in the Bronx to talk about how community groups and block organizations can join the fight to take back our streets from thugs. John Roland and guests discuss community involvement to prevent crime.

Thursday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Why Half of All Priests are Sexually Active Sally Jessy Raphael: Natalie Cole: Big Break Geraldo: Zsa Zsa: The Last Word Oprah Winfrey: Campus Rapes

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#90256k0010 09/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 13) KYODO - SONY IS THE WORLD'S MOST HIGHLY REGARDED BRAND NAME WHILE COCA-COLA IS THE MOST WELL-KNOWN, ACCORDING TO A SURVEY CONDUCTED BY A BRITISH FIRM.

THE SURVEY WAS CONDUCTED BY THE IMAGE CONSULTANCY LANDOR ASSOCIATES AMONG 10,000 CONSUMERS IN THE U.S., JAPAN, AND NINE EUROPEAN COUNTRIES ASKING THEM WHAT THEY KNEW OF AND THE IMAGES CONVEYED BY SOME 6,000 BRAND NAMES.

U.S. AND JAPANESE BRAND NAMES OUTSHONE THEIR EUROPEAN COUNTERPARTS, TAKING MOST OF THE TOP RANKINGS.

ON THE LIST OF THE MOST ESTEEMED BRAND NAMES, SONY, MERCEDES BENZ, AND ROLLS ROYCE WERE THE TOP THREE. COCA-COLA CAME SIXTH AND PANASONIC 10TH.

IN TERMS OF BEING KNOWN, COCA-COLA WON FIRST PLACE, FOLLOWED BY MACDONALDS AND PEPSI-COLA. TOYOTA TOOK SIXTH PLACE AND HONDA NINTH.

THE SURVEY SHOWED THE JAPANESE CONSUMERS' TASTE FOR IMPORTED GOODS. FIRST ON THE JAPANESE LIST FOR HIGHLY REGARDED BRAND NAMES WAS ROLLS ROYCE, FOLLOWED BY MERCEDES BENZ AND PORSCHE. NEXT IN LINE WERE SONY, ROLEX, BMW. BURBERRY TOOK 10TH PLACE.

-30- 1199
#90256k0037 09/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 13) KYODO - MITSUI TAIYO KOBE BANK LTD. SAID THURSDAY IT HAS AGREED ON AN INFORMATION EXCHANGE CONTRACT WITH THE TRADE AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT OF THE PHILIPPINES.

THE DEAL, TO BE SIGNED FRIDAY, IS AIMED AT INCREASED COOPERATION BETWEEN JAPANESE AND PHILIPPINE COMPANIES IN THE FIELDS OF TRADE AND DIRECT INVESTMENT THROUGH THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND OPINIONS.

THE MAJOR COMMERCIAL BANK EXPECTS THE AGREEMENT TO LEAD TO IMPROVED SERVICES TO JAPANESE COMPANIES PLANNING TO ADVANCE INTO THE PHILIPPINE MARKET.

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#90256k0069 09/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
SINGAPORE (SEPT. 13) KYODO - A JAPANESE PROFESSIONAL DIVER HAS BEEN KILLED IN AN UNDERWATER EXPLOSION ON THE SOUTHWESTERN COAST OF SINGAPORE, A POLICE SPOKESMAN SAID THURSDAY.

TADAYOSHI DOI, 46, WAS KILLED ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON WHILE USING A CUTTING TORCH TO REMOVE A SECTION OF A CONCRETE PILE ON WHICH COMMERCIAL EXPLOSIVES MEANT FOR CLEARING THE SEABED HAD BEEN PLACED, HE SAID. THE BLAST HIT DOI DIRECTLY IN THE FACE.

ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE, EXPLOSIVES WERE USED ON SEPTEMBER 5 TO DEMOLISH A CONCRETE PILE ON THE SEABED. BUT SOME HAD NOT GONE OFF.

DOI, WHO COMES FROM IN EHIME PREFECTURE, HAD BEEN WORKING FOR A SINGAPORE-BASED UNDERWATER DREDGING COMPANY CALLED EAST MARINE WHICH IS MAJORITY OWNED BY JAPANESE.

DOI, WHO HAS MORE THAN 20 YEARS EXPERIENCE AS A PROFESSIONAL DIVER, WAS WORKING WITH EIGHT OTHER LOCAL DIVERS WHEN THE INCIDENT OCCURRED, ACCORDING TO A SOURCE FROM HIS COMPANY.

SINGAPORE'S MARINE POLICE ARE STILL INVESTIGATING THE CASE.

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#90256k0086 09/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 13) KYODO - THE HEAD OF KDD, AN INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS GIANT, EXPRESSED INTEREST THURSDAY IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SATELLITE NETWORK BETWEEN JAPAN AND NORTH KOREA.

KDD PRESIDENT TAKAZO ISHII TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE THAT THE COMPANY IS

POSITIVE TOWARD THE PROJECT, A POSSIBLE ITEM ON THE AGENDA DURING A VISIT BY A RULING PARTY DELEGATION LED BY FORMER DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER SHIN KANEMARU TO NORTH KOREA FROM SEPTEMBER 24.

''WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY REQUEST FROM THE GOVERNMENT (TO JOIN THE DELEGATION). BUT IF WE RECEIVE IT, WE ARE WILLING TO HANDLE IT POSITIVELY,'' ISHII SAID.

THE PROPOSED FORMATION OF A SATELLITE NETWORK IS NOT ONLY INTENDED TO IMPROVE TELECOMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES BUT ALSO SEEN AS A SYMBOL OF BILATERAL EFFORTS TOWARD BETTER RELATIONS BETWEEN THEM, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

NORTH KOREA IS THE ONLY COUNTRY JAPAN IS STILL COMMUNICATING WITH THROUGH SHORTWAVE RADIO. SINCE THERE ARE ONLY FOUR LINES, THREE FOR TELEPHONE AND ONE FOR TELEGRAPH, IT USUALLY TAKES FOR AN INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE CALL BETWEEN 30 MINUTES AND AN HOUR TO BE CONNECTED.

THE ABSENCE OF BILATERAL SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS IS DUE MORE TO THE LACK OF POLITICAL TIES BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS THAN TO TECHNICAL PROBLEMS, THE SOURCES SAID. NORTH KOREA HAS ALREADY OPENED SATELLITE LINES WITH WEST GERMANY, FRANCE, CHINA, SINGAPORE, AND HONG KONG.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 13) KYODO - THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) SAID THURSDAY IT WILL SET UP AN ADVISORY PANEL TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS INVOLVING AUTOMOBILES.

THE PANEL, NAMED "FORUM ON THE AUTOMOBILE SOCIETY," WILL TACKLE PROBLEMS THAT SHOULD BE OVERCOME TO REALIZE A WELL-BALANCED DEVELOPMENT OF AN AUTOMOBILE SOCIETY IN JAPAN, MITI SAID.

SPECIFICALLY, THE PANEL WILL DISCUSS TRAFFIC SAFETY, ROADS AND PARKING LOTS, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, COST EFFICIENCY, AND AUTO DEALERSHIPS, IT SAID.

THE 17-MEMBER PANEL WILL HOLD ITS FIRST MONTHLY MEETING NEXT MONDAY, THE MINISTRY SAID.

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JAKARTA (SEPT. 13) KYODO - FOREIGN COMPANIES ARE NOW PERMITTED TO SET UP ELECTRICITY PLANTS IN INDONESIA, MINISTER OF MINING AND ENERGY GINANDJAR KARTASASMITA WAS QUOTED BY ANTARA NEWS AGENCY AS SAYING THURSDAY.

THE MOVE IS AN ATTEMPT TO OVERCOME A SHORTAGE IN GOVERNMENT FUNDS FOR ELECTRICITY SUPPLY.

SOME OF THE 18 COMPANIES CURRENTLY PROPOSING TO INVEST IN THE ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY ARE FOREIGN, ANTARA QUOTED GINANDJAR AS SAYING.

THE MINISTER SAID PARTICIPATION BY PRIVATE INDONESIAN COMPANIES WOULD BE LIMITED TO THOSE WITH BIG CAPITAL RESOURCES AND JOINT COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN COMPANIES IS UNAVOIDABLE. HE DID NOT DISCLOSE WHICH COMPANIES HAVE PROPOSED SETTING UP NEW ELECTRICITY PLANTS.

HOWEVER, IN EARLY AUGUST, ANTARA REPORTED PREPARATORY MOVES TOWARD NEW ELECTRIC POWER GENERATION BY PRIVATE INTERESTS, INCLUDING SUMITOMO CORP., A MAJOR JAPANESE TRADING HOUSE.

THE GOVERNMENT POLICY OF ALLOWING THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO TAKE ON THE PRODUCTION OF ELECTRICITY ANTICIPATES AN ANNUAL 20 PERCENT INCREASE IN ELECTRICITY DEMAND WHEREAS THE GOVERNMENT IS ONLY ABLE TO INCREASE SUPPLY BY 15 PERCENT ANNUALLY.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 13) KYODO - THE GROWTH PACE OF JAPAN'S PERSONAL SAVINGS SLOWED DURING THE APRIL-JUNE QUARTER FOR THE FIRST TIME IN NEARLY TWO YEARS, REFLECTING A SHRINKAGE IN POSTAL SAVINGS AND A SLUMP IN INVESTMENT TRUSTS, THE BANK OF JAPAN (BOJ) SAID IN A PRELIMINARY REPORT THURSDAY.

THE CENTRAL BANK SAID THE NATION'S NEW PERSONAL SAVINGS ROSE 12.39 TRILLION YEN DURING THE PERIOD, BUT THE PACE OF GROWTH DROPPED 3.8 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER, THE FIRST DECLINE IN THE GROWTH RATE SINCE THE JULY-SEPTEMBER PERIOD IN 1988.

AT THE END OF JUNE, THE BALANCE OF PERSONAL SAVINGS TOTALED 722.89 TRILLION YEN, UP 10.5 PERCENT FROM THE YEAR-EARLIER LEVEL.

THE SLOWER GROWTH IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE SHIFT OF FUNDS FROM POSTAL SAVINGS TO OTHER FINANCIAL VEHICLES AS WELL AS DECLINES IN INVESTMENT TRUSTS AGAINST THE BACKDROP OF THE WOBBLY STOCK MARKET, THE REPORT SAID.

DURING THE SECOND QUARTER OF THIS YEAR, POSTAL SAVINGS FELL 1.44 TRILLION YEN.

THE FOUNDERING STOCK AND BOND MARKETS LED THE BALANCE OF INVESTMENT TRUSTS TO SHOW A NET DECREASE OF 1.2 TRILLION YEN. THE BALANCE OF PUBLIC AND CORPORATE BONDS ALSO FELL 88.9 PERCENT.

IN CONTRAST, DEPOSITS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR REGISTERED AN EXPANSION OF MORE THAN 10 TRILLION YEN, OR AN 81.1 PERCENT YEAR-ON-YEAR LEAP, AS INVESTORS POURED THEIR MONEY INTO THE POPULAR SMALL-LOT MONEY MARKET CERTIFICATES (MMCS) AND LARGE-LOT TIME DEPOSITS BECAUSE OF THEIR HIGHER YIELDS.

ASSESSING THE DATA, A BOJ OFFICIAL SAID THE DECLINE IN POSTAL SAVINGS AND THE BOOMING PRIVATE-SECTOR DEPOSITS DEMONSTRATE THE PREVALENCE OF INTEREST RATE-ORIENTED INVESTMENT, WHICH HE SAID HAS HEIGHTENED THE FLUIDITY OF FUNDS.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 13) KYODO - ERICK A. REICKERT, A VICE PRESIDENT OF CHRYSLER CORP., IS DUE IN JAPAN ON SUNDAY TO PROMOTE SALES OF AUTO PARTS, AUTO INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID THURSDAY.

THE SOURCES SAID HE IS COMING MAINLY TO ATTEMPT TO SELL AUTO PARTS MANUFACTURED BY ACUSTAR INC., WHICH HE CONCURRENTLY CHAIRS. ACUSTAR, A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF CHRYSLER, PRODUCES A WIDE VARIETY OF AUTO PARTS, RANGING FROM SPEED CHANGERS TO ENGINE COMPUTERS.

WHILE HERE FOR A WEEK, REICKERT INTENDS TO MEET THE PURCHASING OFFICERS OF EIGHT AUTO PRODUCTION FIRMS, INCLUDING TOYOTA MOTOR CORP., NISSAN MOTOR CO., AND HONDA MOTOR CO.

REICKERT IS ALSO DUE TO HOLD AN EXHIBITION IN TOKYO TO INTRODUCE HIS FIRM'S PRODUCTS.

OFFICIALS AT SOME MAJOR AUTOMOTIVE FIRMS HERE SAID REICKERT'S BIGGEST OBSTACLE WOULD BE CONVINCING THEM THAT HIS FIRM IS WILLING TO TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN THEIR FIRMS' DESIGN PROCESS FOR NEW PARTS FROM THE DEVELOPMENT PHASE.

OF THE THREE MAJOR U.S. AUTOMAKERS, GENERAL MOTORS CORP. LEADS IN PARTS SALES IN JAPAN.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 14) KYODO - A SUBSIDIARY OF NOMURA SECURITIES CO. SAID FRIDAY IT IS LOOKING FOR INVESTORS TO PAY 1 MILLION DOLLARS EACH FOR A MAXIMUM COMBINED TOTAL OF 100 MILLION DOLLARS TO JOIN IN A MOVIE VENTURE IN THE UNITED STATES.

THE SUBSIDIARY, NOMURA BABCOCK AND BROWN CO., SAID THE INVESTMENT WILL BE IN FOUR OR FIVE MOVIES TO BE MADE IN THE U.S. OVER THE NEXT SEVEN YEARS BY INTERSCOPE COMMUNICATIONS INC.

THEY WILL BE DISTRIBUTED ON THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET BY WALT DISNEY CO., WHICH WILL MATCH THE AMOUNT PROVIDED BY JAPANESE INVESTORS, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE JAPANESE FIRM SAID.

THE INVESTMENT IS LIKELY TO YIELD AROUND 20 PERCENT ON A PRETAX BASIS IF THE MOVIES EARN AVERAGE REVENUES, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE NOMURA SUBSIDIARY OFFERED A SIMILAR INVESTMENT IN A LINKUP WITH A U.S. MOVIE COMPANY LATE LAST YEAR.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 13) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stocks are flat to lower: ... The Nikkei is off 141 points. ... The FTSE is down 4 at midday. ... U.S. stocks trading in London are off slightly, with tobacco issues hurt by speculation of new tobacco taxes. ... Bonds are down to yielding 8.95%. ... North Sea crude is 50 cents higher. ... Budget negotiators resumed talks this morning at 8 a.m. EDT at Andrews Air Force Base. ... SEN. PHIL GRAMM (R. - Texas), who heads the Senate Budget Committee planned to address the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE on the budget at 7:45 a.m. EDT this morning. says the airline industry is in for a period of turbulence. ... ATLANTIC RICHFIELD agrees to pay ALASKA about $285 million to settle part of a 13-year-old suit over oil royalties.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

Leaders of UNITED AUTO WORKERS locals at GENERAL MOTORS plants have been summoned to a Monday meeting in Detroit amid speculation that a contract agreement might be near. ... ENERGY SECRETARY JAMES WATKINS is scheduled to testify before the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee on the Gulf situation at 9:30 a.m. EDT. ... FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN will testify before the House Banking Committee on the banking deposit insurance system beginning at 10 a.m. EDT.

FROM THE BULLS:

"Everyone's hesitant to do anything," says MARSHALL ACUFF, SMITH BARNEY portfolio strategist. "The market just bounces from perception to perception. It's just a very quiet market. Sentiment is negative, people are depressed, hesitant and that to me is probably the most bullish thing going." Acuff notes that any positive developments could spark a buying spree. (Reuters, 9/12)

"According to our technical analysts, we could expect a move here of anywhere from 100 to 200 points on the Dow Jones Industrial Average and it could be that the announcement [of a budget accord] could be a trigger for that rally," says HILDEGARD ZAGORKSI, market analyst for PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/12)

FROM THE BEARS:

"There's generally no positive news and no expectation of positive news on the horizon," says CHRISTOPHER PEDERSEN, director of trading at TWENTY-FIRST SECURITIES. "There's no reason to buy" and sellers are having a hard time getting out at desirable prices. (WSJ, 9/13)

STOCK MARKET:

"The stock market's trend is sideways at this time," says RAO CHALASANI, chief investment strategist with PRESCOTT, BALL & TURBEN INC. "I feel the downside risk is perhaps 2400 in the Dow, the upside potential 2900. His firm's model portfolio is 30% cash, an unusually high level. The rest is allocated to 40% stocks and 30% bonds. ("Investor's Daily", 9/13)

The market is being driven by news and rumor, says NEWTON ZINDER, market analyst at SHEARSON LEHMAN. How stocks move on the next big volume day could indicate the near-term direction, says Zinder. "I suspect we're going to be bored to death for a while. There's no great incentive for investors to step in and do any aggressive buying." With light volume on down days, Zinder says stocks are sold out. He sees support in the mid-2500s with heavy resistance in the ^{mid-2600s. Even if that is taken out, Zinder says 2700 is the best stocks could do. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/13)

"The market is absorbing this litany of one negative development after another and is holding pretty firm," says ROBERT STOVALL, president of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. "Either it sees through all these nearby negatives and finds reason to hold or to buy, or it will break under the weight of pessimism." (NYT, 9/13)

"Even if we can break back out to the upside, I think that would be short-lived and I am not all that confident that upside breakout will occur," says technical analyst WALTER MURPHY of MERRILL LYNCH. "We may have done what we need to do just over the course of the past couple of days." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/12)

The market "is basically in a trading range. It is almost a stable market," says MONTE GORDON, director of research of the DREYFUS CORP. He believes that the market is beginning to accept $30-a-barrel oil. "I don't think extreme bearishness is warranted at this particular point. I think we are stronger and better able to deal with our problems than many people give us credit for." (FNN's "Marketwrap", 9/12)

"The market's still in the same quandary," says RICHARD MEYER, head of institutional trading at LADENBURG, THALMANN & CO. "Without news, the market

has no direction in which to go." (WSJ, 9/13)

"It was a pretty slow day [Wednesday] but I think the market wants to go higher," says technical analyst PAUL KRONLOKKEN of PIPER JAFFRAY & HOPWOOD. Block trader JOHN SCHRAFF at DAIWA SECURITIES says, "All told, the market is going to stay in the range of Dow 2590-2650 until something big happens." ("The Washington Post", 9/13)

"The market's dull, choppy, and everybody's just watching the news," says JIM O'NEILL, co-manager of OTC trading for ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. (WSJ, 9/13)

"People won't want to put more money to work or raise cash until they get a better idea how the Middle East will unfold and what will come out of the budget negotiations," says SID DORR, trader at CHARLES SCHWAB. ("USA Today", 9/13)

"There's extreme investor apathy," says EDWARD SHOPKORN, general partner in charge of MABON NUGENT's institutional equities. If this Mideast thing doesn't get resolved the [stock] market has no place to go but down." (Reuters, 9/12)

"The market does get used to things" like the $30-a-barrel oil, says AL FRANK of "The Prudent Speculator." "We can be in this trading range and go up to "2700ish" as a rebound from the big selloff and then see how much the market is held hostage by Mideast affairs and by oil. If things really settle down then the price of oil is too high, for the amount of oil being produced now and that is in the world. [The high oil price] is anticipating troubles which we may or may not have." He says if there is a resolution the Dow could go to 3200 this year. (FNN's "Marketwrap", 9/12)

STOCK TIPS:

Concerns about IBM's new mainframe computer and the threat of Japanese competition have depressed the stock's performance. But STEPHEN SMITH, computer analyst for PAINEWEBBER, says company management successfully addressed those issues last week. "Even in a down market, IBM is going to be a significant outperformer over the next few months," says Smith who sees the stock headed to 130-140 per share. While a recession could threaten demand, a weaker dollar could help export sales of U.S. computer and telecommunications equipment. For long-term investments he likes "quality" computer stocks like HEWLETT-PACKARD, which has been down recently, and TANDEM, a recent earnings disappointment. (CNN "Business Morning", 9/13)

"USA Today" focuses on health care companies this morning in its "industry spotlight" feature. Relying on a number of analysts, the paper lists these "healthy stocks" - U.S. HEALTH CARE, UNITED HEALTH CARE, CAREPLUS, NICHOLS INSTITUTE, HOME NUTRITIONAL SERVICES, NATIONAL HEALTH LABS, NEW ENGLAND CRITICAL CARE and UNITED MEDICORP. ("USA Today", 9/13)

JOSEPH McALINDEN, director of securities research at DILLON READ, believes that higher oil prices stemming from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait will trigger more capital spending for energy-related investments. Oil drilling and related storage and transmission equipment is one obvious example. Specifically, McAlinden recommends CBI INDUSTRIES INC. which supplies processing equipment to the energy and paper industries. Their net income was up 60% in the first half of this year. (WSJ, 9/13)

GOLDMAN SACHS analyst RICK SHERLUND and SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS analyst DAVID READERMAN repeated their buy recommendations on MICROSOFT CORP. Mr. Sherlund expects that sales of Microsoft's highly successful Windows 3.0 software this quarter could rapidly accelerate from the June quarter according to the Dow Jones Professional Investor Report. (WSJ, 9/13)

"If I were trading stock I might want to be out of the airline stocks," says AL FRANK of "The Prudent Speculator." He also says that he sold a few of his oil stocks. "They are fully priced and we don't want to take the chance that they are going to be hit too hard." Among the stocks that he likes are CALIFORNIA MICROWAVE and MARK IV INDUSTRIES. He would buy California Microwave up to 8 1/2 a share "because it is trading for 8 times the next four quarters earnings." He notes that this stock is under a little pressure because it is a defense stock. Mark IV Industries he would buy up to 10 3/8. "It is very cheap. It is selling for 6.6 times earnings." (FNN's "Marketwrap" 9/12)

"The Middle East crisis is a moderate positive for metals, assuming there is little or no escalation in hostilities," says CLARENCE MORRISON, analyst at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES. ("USA Today", 9/13)

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RICHMOND, VA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Mt. Vernon Plastics Corporation, a subsidiary of Reynolds Metals Company (NYSE: RLM), today opened a $15 million plastics thermoforming plant in Sparks, Nev., that will employ 150 people by year's end.

The 128,000 square-foot facility will produce a variety of products including injection-molded plastic overcaps for canned coffee, margarine tubs, canned nuts and tennis ball cans; thermoformed plastic containers for margarine, yogurt and deli products; and plastic microwave trays.

"This expansion further positions Reynolds in the plastic container market," says Robert L. Waldrop, vice president and general manager of Reynolds Flexible Packaging Division. "The expansion will offer potential for new plastic consumer products and further strengthen Reynolds broad mix of foodservice and direct customer packaging products."

Waldrop emphasized that the expansion also is in line with Reynolds commitment to diversify its packaging product mix. "This new plant emphasizes that Reynolds is a full-service packaging company," he says. "In addition, with a major plastics operation in Nevada, our West Coast customers can be more efficiently and economically served."

Mt. Vernon Plastics operates as a unit of Reynolds Flexible Packaging Division and has sales of about $50 million. Its Mt. Vernon, Ky., plant, similar in operation to the new Sparks facility, has over 400 employees.

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PHOENIX, ARIZ. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Hospitality Capital Corp. ("HCC") (Philadelphia: HCCX) announced that it has acquired International Environmental Corp. ("IEC"), headquartered in Phoenix.

IEC, a privately held company founded in 1987, is a leading regional provider of asbestos abatement services in the West and Southwest. IEC's clients include state agencies, school districts, and Fortune 500 clients.

On a preliminary basis, IEC had net income of $84,700 on revenues of $6,010,000 for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989 compared with a loss of $229,700 on revenues of $1,570,500 in 1988. IEC has approximately $2,500,000 in assets and a net worth of approximately $900,000. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, IEC had revenues of $509,400 and a loss of $120,500.

IEC spent most of the first six months of the year in acquiring larger bonding capability to allow it to comply with a change in bonding procedures for government and larger private projects. This strategy is designed to permit IEC to bid on such jobs, which have relatively fewer bidders than smaller contracting jobs. To implement its plan, IEC required additional capital, which was obtained in conjunction with its transaction with HCC.

In the transaction, HCC acquired all of the issued and outstanding shares of IEC for 18,800,000 restricted shares of HCC common stock, which makes IEC a wholly owned subsidiary of HCC. In connection with the foregoing transaction HCC also completed a private placement to reduce debt and increase its working capital through the sale of approximately 7,600,000 restricted shares.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - John G. McMillian, chairman and chief executive officer announced today that Allegheny & Western Energy Corporation's (NASDAQ: ALGH) ("the company") wholly owned subsidiary, TEX-HEX Corp., recently completed a horizontal well, the Lane No. 4 (on the acreage acquired from Tipperary Oil and Gas Company in November 1989), in the Austin Chalk formation located in LaSalle County, South Texas. McMillian said, "The initial results of this well are extremely encouraging and support the viability of the company's new direction into horizontal drilling." The Lane No. 4 well tested at a rate of 2,050 barrels of oil per day and 920 thousand cubic feet of natural gas per day. The well had a horizontal extension of 4,400 feet in the Austin Chalk.

Two other wells recently drilled and completed, the Dickson No. 5 and the Brown "A" No. 5R, both located in Frio County, are also on the acreage acquired from Tipperary. The Dickson No. 5 tested at a rate of 385 barrels of oil per day and 240 thousand cubic feet of natural gas per day as well as 262 barrels of water per day. The Brown "A" No. 5R has been completed but is awaiting a potential test. Both wells are still recovering water attributable to drilling operations. The company is also drilling two wells in Dimmit County on approximately 19,000 gross mineral acres located in Dimmit and Zavala counties in Texas acquired in February of this year in which the company is the operator and has approximately a 50 percent working interest. This acreage is different from the 8,000 net mineral acres acquired from Tipperary.

The company's after payout net revenue interest in the three recently drilled wells on the Tipperary acreage ranges from approximately 19 percent to 31 percent and its working interest ranges from approximately 25 percent to 50 percent. TEX-HEX is the operator of all of the company's Austin Chalk acreage. Its net revenue interest in future wells currently ranges as high as 80 percent and its working interest ranges as high as 100 percent.

McMillian went on to say "The company is well positioned with mineral rights to approximately 35,000 gross acres which have been acquired since November 1989 and are under lease by TEX-HEX Corp." The company's acreage is located in Frio, Dimmit, LaSalle, Zavala and Gonzales counties in Texas. Included in the company's gross acreage are mineral rights to approximately 7,200 gross acres recently acquired in Gonzales County in two contiguous blocks in which the company has a 100 percent working interest. Wells drilled by others within five miles of the Gonzales prospect have been tested successfully including one that tested at 12,254 barrels per day in May 1990; however, no assurances can be given as to the company's production from this prospect.

Allegheny & Western Energy Corporation, based in Charleston, W. Va., conducts oil and gas exploration and development in Texas and West Virginia and owns Mountaineer Gas Company, the largest gas distribution utility in West Virginia

operating approximately 3,600 miles of natural gas distribution pipeline.

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MIDLAND, MICH. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dow Chemical Company (NYSE: DOW) Board of Directors today announced a quarterly dividend of $.65 per share, payable Oct. 30 to shareholders of record Sept. 28.

Dow has paid 315 consecutive quarterly dividends to its shareholders since 1912 and has maintained or increased the dividend throughout that time.

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MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - VeriFone Inc. (NASDAQ: VFIC) today convened its second annual Transaction Automation Industry Conference, bringing together senior executives from the company's global customer base. The theme of this year's conference, "Mapping the Next Decade: New Strategies for Adding Value," will provide a platform for the open discussion of new technologies, relationships, markets and opportunities for all users and providers of Transaction Automation products and services.

"We launched this event last year to give our customers an opportunity to focus on key issues facing our industry in the 1990s, exchanging ideas with us and with each other," explained Hatim Tyabji, president and chief executive officer of VeriFone. "Our company's growth and success are the direct result of listening to our customers and responding to their needs. The Transaction Automation Industry Conference allows us to reinforce our strategic partnerships with these companies, many of which are the leaders of their respective industry segments. Together we can drive the Transaction Automation market worldwide."

The conference participants represent a variety of Transaction Automation market segments, from banking, retail and network services to petroleum, health care and government benefits. Industry Speakers

The featured speaker at the conference will be James Treybig, president and chief executive officer of Tandem Computers Inc., the leading supplier of computer systems and networks for on-line transaction processing (OLTP), large data base applications, and the UNIX(R) systems marketplace. Treybig's address, to be delivered after a special dinner on Thursday, will focus on OLTP in the 1990s and its implications for Transaction Automation.

On Friday morning, Russell Hogg, the former president and chief executive officer of MasterCard International and now an industry consultant, will discuss global trends and issues in card acceptance.

The conference will also include presentations from VeriFone management, including Tyabji and Ashok Narasimhan, vice president of market and product development. Dich Tran, director of vending, will discuss prepaid cards as an emerging market opportunity for Transaction Automation. Panel Sessions

A number of VeriFone customers will participate in panel discussions to be held during the two-day conference. Representatives from the end-user community will discuss Transaction Automation applications for supermarkets and the international petroleum industry. A panel of transaction service providers will present their views on the use of value-added services to gain a competitive advantage, and a panel of telecommunications service providers will examine various innovative technologies that are now available for expanding the Transaction Automation market. The Company

VeriFone Inc., based in Redwood City, Calif, is a leading supplier of Transaction Automation systems used to deliver payment processing and other financial services to the retail and petroleum industries worldwide. In addition, VeriFone is developing new market segments for Transaction Automation, such as fast food, health care and government. The company has 30 offices located throughout North America and in London; Paris; Madrid; The Hague; Sydney; Taipei; Singapore; and Bangalore, India. VeriFone has shipped more than 1.5 million Transaction Automation systems to date.

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ROWAYTON, CT (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Baldwin Technology Company, Inc. (AMEX: BLD), announced today that the board of directors of the company has declared a regular quarterly dividend to stockholders of record, as of the close of business on Sept. 28, 1990 payable on Oct. 12, 1990. Class A common stockholders will receive $.03 per share and Class B common stock stockholders will receive $.0285 per share. At the close of business on Sept. 10, 1990, there were 15,057,096 shares of Class A common stock and 1,994,000 shares of Class B common stock outstanding. The company stated that the dividend represents an approximate 20 percent increase over the dividend for the prior quarter.

Baldwin Technology Company, Inc. is a leading multi-national manufacturer of materials handling accessory and control equipment for the printing industry.

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#90256p4122 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, ORE. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - FPS Computing (NYSE, PSE: FLP) today reported third quarter revenue of $11.5 million, compared to $11.8 million for the second quarter, and a loss of $2.9 million compared to a second quarter loss of $1.9 million.

During the quarter, the company received $14.5 million from the sale of 9.67 million shares of preferred stock to an institutional investor. Proceeds from this financing will be employed primarily as working capital as the company continues its intensive product development program and expands its sales and marketing activities. Long term debt has been reduced by $2.7 million from the financing proceeds.

"During the quarter we announced an important new working relationship with Sun Microsystems," said Howard Thrailkill, FPS Computing's President and Chief Executive Officer. "Our agreement with Sun allows us to provide widely accepted SPARC(TM) technology to customers for our next generation of UNIX(TM) supercomputer systems. Current FPS customers have generally applauded this new direction with the migration tools we are providing, and the broad base of initial demand from the SPARC user community has been very gratifying," he stated. "It is difficult to predict how this will affect the Company's quarterly revenue levels as we bring these new systems to market early next year, but our recently announced sales and marketing agreement with Sun should provide momentum to their launch." FPS also acknowledged that joint sales calls and marketing seminars have begun with Sun and that its relatively high levels of product development and marketing expenditures would be continued.

During the quarter, FPS announced sales of Model 500EA UNIX supercomputer systems to customers in the United States, Japan and Europe, including sales to Lockheed Missiles & Space Co. Inc., Canon Sales Co. Inc. and ETH Zurich. The company also stated that its growing installed base of Model 500 systems has begun to offer a significant source of upgrade, add-on and maintenance revenue.

FPS Computing has one of the largest installed bases of high performance computing equipment in the industry. The firm designs, manufactures and markets high performance computing solutions for scientific, engineering and technical applications. The FPS Computing product line includes UNIX supercomputers and array processors. Founded in 1970 as Floating Point Systems Inc., FPS Computing is headquartered in Beaverton and is listed on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

NOTE TO EDITORS: UNIX is a registered trademark of AT&T. SPARC is a trademark of SPARC International Inc.

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LAWRENCEVILLE, N.J. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Imo Industries Inc. (NYSE: IMD) has declared a third quarter dividend of $.125 per share, payable on Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 25.

IMO supplies analytical and optical instruments, electronic and mechanical controls, engineered power products and their support services to industrial and defense customers worldwide.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William T. McCormick Jr. today urged Congress to amend the Public Utility Holding Company Act (PUHCA) for the purpose of expanding future electric supply options in the electric generation market and increasing competition in the electric industry.

Speaking on behalf of a coalition of independent power producers, industrial energy users, natural gas interests and utilities, McCormick stated that amending the nation's holding company act governing utilities will benefit electric customers by providing the most efficient, clean, reliable and low-cost electricity available.

The group is calling for specific modifications to PUHCA that would allow for independent power plants to be built along with qualifying facilities and traditional rate-based plants, giving consumers the benefits of a more competitive system. Specifically, the group urges:

- New Class of Exempt Facilities - Independents, utility subsidiaries and registered and exempt utility holding company subsidiaries should be able to build and operate IPPs without being subjected to the regulatory burdens of PUHCA or without jeopardizing their status as QFs under the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA). Purchases from IPPs should only be voluntary and should be eligible for market pricing.

- Enhanced Competition - To ensure the maximum benefit to consumers, there must be enhanced competition in the market. PUHCA legislation must not result in a market that is biased in favor of, or subject to the control of, any power producer. Regulatory authority should be relied on, if necessary, to ensure that the market results in arm's-length, competitive transactions.

- Transmission - The group recognizes that enhanced competition in power generation has raised the issues of transmission access and pricing. They also recognize the significant activity on these issues, such as the Office of Technology Assessment Report, the FERC Transmission Task Force Report, proposals made by a number of utilities and others, and proceedings of state commissions. The group believes that the provision of transmission service should be nondiscriminatory - that is, they embrace the principle that the provision of transmission services should not be used to unfairly advantage any power generator in the competition for wholesale electric generation contracts.

The enactment of PURPA in 1978 stimulated competition in the electric industry. During the past decade, qualifying facilities (QFs) under PURPA have reliably supplied over 31,000 megawatts of electric generating capacity, or nearly 25 percent of our nation's new electric generating capacity over that period. The U.S. Department of Energy and others agree that our nation will require an additional 100,000 to 150,000 megawatts of new electric generating capacity by the year 2000. This rapidly growing demand means that unnecessary regulatory constraints on independent power generation must be eliminated. The restrictions on size, location and technology imposed by PURPA limit the ability of electric power suppliers to provide adequate, efficient and economical energy to meet this demand.

In July 1989, Sen. J. Bennett Johnston introduced the competitive Wholesale Electric Generation Act. Congressmen Billy Tauzin, Tom Bliley and Rick Boucher introduced similar legislation in the House in November 1989.

The group applauds Sen. Johnston and Congressmen Tauzin, Bliley and Boucher for their introduction of PUHCA reform legislation. The group has two primary goals: 1) to assist Congress as it grapples with the complex policy considerations involved in this issue; and 2) to demonstrate that many in the energy community are united on a number of these issues as well as in their determination to seek these changes.

While differences of opinion may exist among group members about the details of PUHCA reform, all are committed to the expansion of competition in wholesale power generation.

CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS) is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services. CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth-largest combination utility.

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#90256p4131 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - David O. Maxwell, chairman and chief executive officer of Fannie Mae (Federal National Mortgage Association (NYSE: FNM), today said the Treasury/OMB proposal to set capital standards for government-sponsored enterprises (GSEs) should now be dropped and replaced by a comprehensive discussion among all parties interested in the careful regulation and adequate capitalization of the enterprises.

In remarks at an investor conference sponsored by Smith Barney, Maxwell pointed out Moody's Investors Service had rejected the Treasury/OMB proposal that private rating agencies establish capital standards for GSEs.

In a letter made public yesterday, Moody's Executive Vice President Thomas J. McGuire wrote: "While Moody's understands the desire for increased financial responsibility for GSEs, we do not believe it is appropriate to use credit ratings as such in pursuit of this objective....The ratings that Treasury would get -- although superficially objective -- would in reality reflect the political and social biases of a group of unelected individuals who have no particular competence to make political judgments." The letter was addressed to Henry B. Gonzalez, chairman of the House Banking Committee.

Maxwell pointed out that, when the Treasury/OMB originally proposed its GSE plan, Fannie Mae, and others, "said it was poor public policy."

"Now Moody's has stated its emphatic agreement with this position," he said.

At the end of the second quarter of 1990, Fannie Mae's capital was $4 billion, including $494 million in loan loss reserves. Maxwell said the company was well on its way to the goal he announced in February of adding $2.0 to $2.5 billion to capital in 1990 and 1991, through a combination of retained earnings and growth in loan-loss reserves.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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#90256p4133 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Prism Entertainment Corporation (AMEX: PRZ) today announced the election of Barrier Collier as chairman. He replaces Paul Levinson who did not stand for re-election as a director of the company.

Collier has been president, chief operating officer and a director of Prism

since its inception in 1984 and was named chief executive officer in 1985.

Prism Entertainment Corporation is a home video company which markets videocassettes of theatrical and television films, children's programming, concert performances of music and comedy artists and other programming in the United States and Canada.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Southland Corporation said today that its previously announced exchange offers have been extended to expire at midnight New York time on Tuesday, Sept. 25, 1990, unless further extended. The company also announced that Ito-Yokado Co., Ltd., Seven-Eleven Japan Co., Ltd. and Southland have mutually agreed to extend the termination date of their previously announced stock purchase agreement to Sept. 25, 1990.

As of midnight on Sept. 12, the following securities had been tendered: 13-1/2 percent senior extendible reset notes -- 92.67 percent, or $488,925,703 principal amount ($255,098,600 by guarantee); 15-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes -- 67.65 percent, or $236,792,000 principal amount ($35,812,000 by guarantee); 16-1/2 percent senior subordinated discount notes -- 65.27 percent, or $262,540,000 principal amount ($89,634,000 by guarantee); 16-3/4 percent subordinated debentures -- 49.77 percent, or $248,873,000 principal amount ($67,482,000 by guarantee); 18 percent junior subordinated discount debentures -- 53.42 percent, or $39,155,000 principal amount ($10,340,000 by guarantee); and 15 percent cumulative exchangeable preferred stock -- 94.53 percent, or 13,050,054 shares (1,746,080 by guarantee).

Under the exchange offers, Southland bondholders and preferred stockholders are being offered new debt securities and approximately 25 percent of newly issued Southland common stock. Existing stockholders would retain approximately 5 percent of the company's common stock, and, following consummation of the exchange offers, Ito-Yokado and Seven-Eleven Japan would purchase 70 percent of the stock for $430 million in cash.

In addition, Southland announced that the special meeting for holders of its preferred stock was adjourned to 10:00 p.m. Dallas time on Tuesday, Sept. 25, 1990, at 2711 North Haskell Ave., Southland's headquarters in Dallas. Recordholders of preferred stock as of the close of business on July 13, 1990, will be eligible to vote at the meeting in person or by proxy. If the exchange offers are extended again, the company intends to further postpone or adjourn the special meeting so that it will occur on the expiration date of the exchange offers.

This announcement does not constitute an offer to sell or to buy any security or the solicitation of any consents or proxies, which offers and consent or proxy solicitation shall only be made by means of a proxy statement/prospectus.

CONTACT: Cecilia Stubbs Norwood of Southland, 214-828-7272; or Lynn Guggenheimer of the Sawyer/Miller Group, 212-303-2520, for Southland

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#90256p4136 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) and OfficeMax, Inc. today announced an agreement in principle for the purchase by Kmart of an approximate 22 percent interest in OfficeMax, an office supply superstore chain, for an undisclosed amount of cash. OfficeMax also agreed to acquire the Office Square business of a Kmart subsidiary.

The agreement is subject to completion of definitive agreements and to approval of the directors of the respective companies and shareholders of OfficeMax, as well as to any required governmental approvals.

Provisions of the agreement give Kmart the right to acquire additional equity in OfficeMax within specified time frames.

Kmart Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Joseph E. Antonini said, "Kmart's investment in a minority ownership position of OfficeMax represents a partnership of two fine organizations. Large- size office supply stores represent an exciting growth opportunity for Kmart. Our investment in such a well-established company will enhance our position in this rapidly expanding business. These superstores are expected to capture an increasing share of the growing office supply and equipment market in the years ahead."

OfficeMax is a privately held suburban Cleveland-based office supply superstore chain operating 34 stores in seven states, with previously announced plans to grow to approximately 65 stores by the end of its July 1991 fiscal year. OfficeMax was founded in April 1988 by Michael Feuer, the company's president, and Robert Hurwitz, chairman. The company opened its first store in July 1988 in a Cleveland suburb and today is the dominant office supply superstore operator in the Midwest. OfficeMax stores average approximately 23,000 square feet and feature over 6,000 office supply items, furniture and electronics at everyday low prices which are typically 50 percent less than the manufacturers' suggested list price.

Kmart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,330 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse Clubs and The Sports Authority. Kmart Corporation's stock is listed on the New York,

Pacific, Midwest and Tokyo stock exchanges. Its trading symbol is KM.

CONTACT: Orren F. Knauer of Kmart Corporation, 313-643-1040; or Michael Feuer of OfficeMax, Inc., 216-349-3733

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#90256p4137 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Chambers Development Company Inc. (AMEX: CDVB), a leading national environmental services firm, today announced that it has agreed to acquire the stock of Remote Landfill Services Inc. in Oliver Springs, Anderson County, Tenn., near Knoxville and Oak Ridge.

Remote Landfill Services Inc., has a permit from the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment to construct and operate a 135-acre sanitary landfill, located on a 260-acre site, in Anderson County.

The landfill will be constructed using modern technology, employing a double synthetic liner over a two-foot clay base.

The Anderson County facility which will meet or exceed proposed federal standards and all Tennessee regulations, is located approximately 25 miles west of Knoxville, company officials said, adding the landfill is expected to be operational by mid-1991.

Chambers anticipates completing the acquisition after the resolution of certain litigation that currently is outstanding against Remote Landfill Services.

Company officials reported that engineers have performed stringent geotechnical tests and determined that the site is environmentally excellent for landfill use.

"The site's outstanding characteristics and its service area make it a valuable asset for environmental safety in Tennessee and to Chambers," said Alexander Rangos, Chambers executive vice president.

Rangos said the landfill represents an important opportunity for Chambers to enter a new market area and an important step in the company's strategy to offer services in major markets.

The acquisition marks Chambers first activity in Tennessee. Chambers Development Company, headquartered in Pittsburgh, with a major regional office in Atlanta, offers services in recycling, collection, hauling, disposal and landfill development. The company's southern operations include landfills, as well as collection and hauling operations in Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Texas and Mississippi.

The company also provides security services through its wholly owned subsidiary, Security Bureau Inc., one of the largest U.S. security firms.

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#90256p4144 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Courier Dispatch Group Inc. (NASDAQ: CDGI) today reported results for the fourth fiscal quarter ended June 30.

Operating revenues were $13,082,000 compared to $12,307,000 for the same quarter last year. Net income for the quarter amounted to $166,000 or $.07 per share vs. $188,000 or $.07 per share for last year.

For the 12 months ended June 30, operating revenues were $50,355,000 or 7 percent over last year's $47,068,000. Net income was $458,000 or $.18 per share compared to $723,000 or $.28 per share for the same period last year.

In commenting on the quarter, Paul R. Dean, president and chief executive officer, stated: "Although the results for the year were below original expectations, we were able to see some improvement in earnings performance for the final quarter which was in line with more current expectations."

Dean went on to say: "Operating revenues continued to be somewhat flat through the fourth quarter, in part reflecting continuing pricing pressures from competition in most of the company's markets. Insurance costs, in addition to other operating expenses, continue to increase at rates presently beyond our ability to keep pace through improved operating revenues. Fuel prices were in line with expectations for both the quarter and the year. Looking into the new fiscal year, we have seen sharply rising fuel prices following the August Mid-East crisis, yet to this point, we have been able to offset these increases by passing them along to our customers in the form of temporary fuel surcharges. Needless to say, we're watching the changing situation very closely," Dean commented.

With respect to certain of its operating divisions, Dean stated: "The company's Minnesota operation continues to show improvement and is now consistently profitable. Our New England operation, however, continues to be unprofitable although it has shown much lower losses going into the new fiscal year due to improved operating efficiencies as well as strengthened sales results. We hope to see profitability during the new fiscal year.

"All major operating units are presently profitable with the exception of New England. The company as a whole has been strengthened by the acquisition of two courier companies in the fourth quarter. In particular, the acquisition of Birmingham, Ala.-based Errand Express has shown exciting profit results from

inception," said Dean.

In closing, Dean also announced the recent change in responsibility of its Chairman and Founder Patrick L. Connolly, age 76. "Mr. Connolly will continue as chairman of the board but will no longer be involved in the day-to-day operations of the company. The company is grateful to Mr. Connolly for his past contributions and looks forward to continuing its relationship on this new basis."

Courier Dispatch Group Inc. is a full service courier organization providing both scheduled and on-call ground and air courier services for transporting time-sensitive documents of its customers. The company conducts air courier services in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Hampshire, North Carolina, North and South Dakota, and Rhode Island.

COURIER DISPATCH GROUP INC.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

3 months ended	6/30/90	6/30/89
Operating revenues	$13,082,000	$12,307,000
Earnings before income taxes	301,000	369,000
Income taxes	135,000	181,000
Net earnings	166,000	188,000
Earnings per share	$.07	$.07
Wtd. avg. shares outstanding	2,525,000	2,606,467
12 months ended	6/30/90	6/30/89
Operating revenues	$50,355,000	$47,068,000
Earnings before income taxes	910,000	1,415,000
Income taxes	452,000	691,000
Net earnings	458,000	723,000
Earnings per share	$.18	$.28
Wtd. avg. shares outstanding	2,580,921	2,620,379

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WITCO CORP. PROMOTES FULLWOOD TO VP OF FINANCE AND RUTLEDGE TO TREASURER

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Witco Corporation (NYSE: WIT) announced the promotions of Michael D. Fullwood to group vice president- finance and administration and James M. Rutledge to corporate vice president and treasurer effective October 1.

Fullwood, 43, joined Witco in 1987 as senior attorney. He presently holds the

position of treasurer, a post he was appointed to in 1989. Fullwood, with a bachelor's degree in history from the University of Wisconsin and a law degree from Harvard University, is a member of the American Bar Association, state and city bar associations, the Financial Executives Institute and the National Association of Corporate Treasurers. Fullwood makes his home in New York City.

Rutledge, 38, is presently assistant controller. A certified public accountant, he joined Witco in 1979 after several years at a Big Eight accounting firm. Rutledge holds a bachelor's degree in mathematics from Assumption College and a master's degree in business administration from Rutgers University. He is an officer on the board of directors of the New Jersey chapter of the Financial Executives Institute and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants. Rutledge makes his home with his wife and two daughters in Verona, N.J.

Witco manufactures specialty chemical and petroleum products and engineered materials with annual sales of approximately $1.6 billion.

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#90256p4146 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANTON, OHIO (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Diebold, Incorporated (NYSE: DBD) and International Business Machines Corporation (NYSE: IBM) today announced completion of their joint venture, named InterBold(TM), which will provide automated teller machines (ATMs) and financial self-service systems worldwide. Terms of the joint venture agreement were not disclosed.

Diebold owns the majority of InterBold with IBM owning the remaining substantial minority. InterBold will begin operating immediately from its headquarters in North Canton, Ohio.

InterBold will offer a full complement of products, from low-end, cash-dispensing equipment to high-end, full function ATMs. In the United States, InterBold will market the full product line with assistance from Diebold and IBM. Outside the United States, IBM will market and service the combined product line.

InterBold will conduct its own research and development at Diebold's current North Canton, Ohio location and at current IBM sites in Charlotte, N.C. and Boeblingen, Germany. InterBold owns all rights to manufacture products and initially will contract manufacturing with Diebold's current facility in Newark, Ohio, and IBM's facilities in Charlotte, N.C., Berlin, Germany and Jarfalla, Sweden.

IBM vice president and president, services sector division William W.K. Rich said, "Formation of InterBold strengthens IBM's commitment to ATM and financial self-service system solutions. InterBold will permit IBM to be a significant part of a better, forward-looking ATM business." He added, "With the combined resources of IBM and Diebold, InterBold will be able to improve worldwide responsiveness to both industry and customer needs."

Diebold and IBM also announced the members of InterBold's governing committee. They are Barone; William T. Blair, Diebold vice president, customer services; Robert J. Warren, Diebold vice president and treasurer; John P. Cunningham, IBM directeur general des plans and des services techniques, World Trade E/ME/A; and Robert M. Stephenson, IBM vice president and assistant general manager, finance and planning, IBM U.S.

Diebold's agreement to purchase IBM's U.S. ATM servicing business, which was announced in July along with the joint venture agreement, has not yet been completed.

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#90256p4147 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Brown-Forman Corporation (AMEX: BF.A BF.B) announced today that its Board of Directors has approved the purchase by the company of $20,000,000 (333,333 shares) of its Class B Common Stock from an estate. The price represents $60 per share, which was the closing price of the stock yesterday.

Brown-Forman Corporation is a diversified producer and marketer of fine quality consumer products, including Jack Daniel's Tennessee Whiskey, Southern Comfort Liqueur, Korbel California Champagnes, Lenox China and Crystal, and Hartmann Luggage.

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#90256p4148 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME), the Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT), and Reuters Holdings PLC (NASDAQ: RTRSY) announced today that they expect to launch GLOBEX in the first quarter of 1991. GLOBEX is the automated, after-hours trading system for futures and options.

Reuters and the Exchanges are pleased with the results of testing of the GLOBEX system's functions and capacity to date. However, this testing is

taking longer than anticipated and it has also been necessary to make systems modifications in support of the exchanges' combined volume and instruments.

Reuters and the exchanges therefore look forward, subject to completion of negotiations between the two exchanges and Reuters, and subsequent approval by the CBOT board and membership, to a successful launch in early 1991 of a GLOBEX system serving both Chicago exchanges.

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#90256p4149 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANTON, OHIO (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Diebold, Incorporated (NYSE: DBD) and International Business Machines Corporation (NYSE: IBM) have named their new joint venture InterBold(TM). InterBold, which begins operations immediately, will provide automated teller machines (ATMs) and financial self-service systems worldwide.

InterBold Chief Executive Officer Robert P. Barone said, "The name InterBold incorporates two names that are well known in the financial self-service industry -- International Business Machines (Inter) and Diebold (Bold) -- and signifies that the joint venture brings together the worldwide strengths of each company to provide a single focus on self-service systems."

He added, "The name InterBold also conveys that we are launching an international partnership that is bold in its products, marketing efforts and outlook."

Diebold, Incorporated is a world leader in the automation of self- service transactions, security products, software and service for these systems. Headquartered in Canton, Ohio, Diebold maintains offices worldwide.

IBM is in the business of applying advanced information technology to address specific needs of customers around the world. The company provides solutions incorporating information processing systems, software, communications systems and other products and services. These solutions are provided by IBM's worldwide marketing organizations, as well as through the company's business partners, including authorized dealers and remarketers.

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#90256p4150 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Washington

Post Co. (NYSE: WPO) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $1.00 per share, payable on Nov. 9 to shareholders of record on Oct. 12.

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#90256p4162 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - On Wednesday, Sept. 12, 1990, the board of directors of Justin Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: JSTN), declared a cash dividend of 10 cents per share on its $2.50 par value common stock, payable Oct. 5, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 26, 1990.

Justin Industries includes Justin Boot Company and Nocona Boot Company -- makers of the famed Justin(R) and Nocona(R) footwear; Acme Brick Company -- the top domestically owned U.S. manufacturer of face brick; Ceramic Cooling Tower Company -- designer/builder of cooling systems for utility and commercial users, manufacturer of Permalite(R), Ultralite(R), and Unilite(R) cooling towers plus Tradewinds(R) evaporative air coolers for residential and commercial needs; Featherlite Building Products Corporation -- leading Southwest producer of concrete masonry products; and Northland Publishing Company -- publisher of fine books focused on the art and history of the American West.

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#90256p4163 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRYAN, OHIO (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE -- In response to growing business volumes in north central Ohio, CF Motor Freight, one of the nation's largest long-haul trucking companies, relocated its Bryan terminal operation to a new eight-door facility.

The new facility, located at 1902 Progress Dr., serves current CF customers in Bryan, Defiance, Napoleon and Wauseon. The terminal is the area's link to CF Motor Freight's nationwide freight-flow system, a 697-terminal network serving virtually every business address in the United States and Canada, including Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

Prior to the opening of the new Bryan terminal, CF Motor Freight's local customers were served through a three-door facility, located at 302 Toy St. Current CF Motor Freight customers in the Bryan area include Spangler Candy, Sauder Wood Working, American Gauge and Anderson Vreeland. Among the commodities transported are candy, fiber board cabinets, calibration equipment and printing machinery.

The new terminal has six employees -- three drivers and three office workers -- and uses three tractors and 10 trailers.

Like all CF Motor Freight terminals, Bryan is tied into the company's freight-flow system through a sophisticated nationwide computer freight tracking and data management network. The company's system enables Bryan customers to obtain instant status of their shipments, whether inbound or outbound, as well as pricing, volume and other freight profile and logistics information that helps customers manage their businesses.

The company also provides related computer programs and services utilizing a customer's own computer resources. These include OMNIRATE, a personal computer-based software program that simplifies the pricing of freight shipments; LOGISTICS MANAGER, a PC-based program that streamlines shipping functions by automatically preparing bills of lading and shipping labels; and CF DIRECT, a telecommunications link that allows customers to directly access CF's computer network for shipment information and specialized reports.

CF Motor Freight provides intermediate and long-haul transportation of less-than-truckload freight, which are commercial and industrial shipments generally weighing less than 10,000 pounds. The company is based in Palo Alto Calif.

CONTACT: Doug Kline, 415-494-2900; or Janet Saunders, 419-636-4229, both of CF Motor Freight

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#90256p4164 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAGUNA HILLS, CA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Advantage Life Products Inc. (NASDAQ: ADVT) today reported results for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990.

Revenue for the period totaled $2,136,000 versus $2,440,000 for the quarter ended July 31, 1989. Net income for the quarter totaled $33,040, or $0.01 per share, as compared to $260,000, or $0.05 per share, for the like period last year.

Sleichter also noted that the company had experienced delays in re-shipping product to Ames Department Stores, due to their filing for chapter 11 protection in late 1989 and that re-shipment of those orders will begin in the second quarter of fiscal 1991.

Advantage Life Products is the leading marketer and distributor of over-the-counter smoking cessation and smoking alternative products.

ADVANTAGE LIFE PRODUCTS
Summary of Operations

(Unaudited)

	Three months ended July 31, 1990	Three months ended July 31, 1989
Total Revenues	$2,136,511	$2,440,268
Operating Income	$59,336	$406,830
Net Income	$33,040	$260,144
Earnings Per Share (fully diluted)	$0.01	$0.05
Fully diluted stock and stock equivalents	4,831,633	4,857,176

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#90256p4168 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, Texas (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Justin Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: JSTN), Fort Worth, Texas, and Tony Lama Company, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: TLAM), El Paso, Texas, jointly announced today that the applicable waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Act expired at 11:59 p.m., EDT, yesterday with respect to the Federal Trade Commission's review of Justin's proposed acquisition of Tony Lama.

Tony Lama's principal business is the design, manufacture and marketing of western boots and leather accessories under its "Tony Lama" trademark.

Justin Industries includes Justin Boot Company and Nocona Boot Company - makers of famed Justin(R) and Nocona(R) footwear; Acme Brick Company - the top domestically owned United States manufacturer of face brick; Ceramic Cooling Tower Company - designer/builder of cooling systems for utility and commercial users, manufacturers of Permalite(R), Ultralite(R), and Unilite(R) cooling towers plus Tradewinds(R) evaporative air coolers for residential and commercial needs; Featherlite Building Products Corporation - leading Southwest producer of concrete masonry products; and Northland Publishing Company - publisher of fine books focused on the art and history of the American West.

CONTACT: Richard J. Savitz, vice president-finance of Justin Industries, 817-390-2412.

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#90256p4169 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MASS. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Tecogen Inc. (AMEX: TGN) has developed a compressed natural gas (CNG) engine that achieves performance comparable to a gasoline-powered engine, but with substantially lower emissions. The first school bus powered by this engine, called TecoDrive(tm)

was introduced today as it was readied to go to California for further testing.

Under a program funded by Southern California gas company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, and Pacific Gas & Electric Company, Tecogen, in cooperation with General Motors, has modified a GM 427-cubic-inch V8 engine to run on natural gas. By optimizing the engine's internal components to take advantage of the high octane level of natural gas, the TecoDrive engine is nearly as powerful as its gasoline-powered counterpart. Dual-fuel versions, designed to run on CNG or gasoline, are approximately 40 percent less powerful than CNG-dedicated engines.

The cleaner-burning characteristics of natural gas, along with a specially configured carburetor and fuel system, keep exhaust emissions from the TecoDrive engine significantly below the EPA's tightened 1991 emissions standards for California -- 50 percent less nitrous oxides and 14 times less carbon monoxide.

Tecogen's CNG-powered school bus will be delivered to the California utilities next month where it will be used as a demonstration model for school districts in the region. Enroute to California, the bus will be displayed and test-driven in Washington, D.C., at "The Drive for Clean Air" natural gas vehicle conference to be held later this month.

Vehicles powered by clean-burning and readily available natural gas from domestic supplies can play an important role in meeting President Bush's proposals for an alternative fuels program to improve the nation's air quality and reduce our dependence on foreign oil.

Tecogen Inc. manufactures, markets, and services packaged cogeneration and commercial cooling systems fueled principally by natural gas. The company also conducts research and development on low-emmission natural gas engines for vehicles; pump, compressor, and electric generator drives; as well as advanced systems for clean-coal combustion and other high-efficiency gas-fueled devices. Tecogen is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

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#90256p4170 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TRENTON, N.J. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Base Ten Systems, Inc.'s (NASDAQ: BASEA) President, M. M. Kranzler, announced nine month results today: "Net profits in the third quarter of 1990 were $335,000 or nine cents per share on revenues of $10,742,000. Nine months net profits were $1,308,000 or 37 cents per share on revenues of $35,318,000.

"Our efforts have been intensified toward developing products for commercial markets. The company's strong engineering and product management skills are focusing on non-defense opportunities while still working to generate sales in today's markets for weapons control systems and the expanding contract manufacturing field.

"One of the new opportunities open to us, since we are experienced and recognized for high reliability electronics, is in the growing field of satellite electronics. In June we were awarded a contract of almost $1 million for power supplies for a commercial satellite. This was our initial entry into this market and one which is helping to establish us as a competitor.

"Our manufacturing division recently accepted a small contract to produce circuit boards for a medical electronics company. We have grown our "Privacy of Information" market to include additional sales for both peripheral equipment and the proprietary interface units we developed this year. Our sales indicators are positive and we are aiming at several million dollars of new sales next year with growth to follow.

"On Sept. 13, 1990, we held a press conference in Eching, Germany announcing the entry of our German subsidiary into the field of environmental controls, another area where our electronic and software skills are expected to give us a competitive edge.

"The company is recognized as a leading supplier of missile control systems for such weapons as the Sidewinder and Stinger missiles and believes the current world situation, including recent events in the Middle East, afford new opportunities for sales of these products since their cost effectiveness should be attractive to defense planners.

"Our immediate goals are to sustain our revenues with contract manufacturing and weapons control business while developing new products and new markets, to accumulate cash and to continue profitability. We have demonstrated our ability to accomplish this by having converted a $3 million telemetry business in 1975 into a $49 million weapons control business in 1989.

"Third quarter performance was affected by cost overruns on a U.K. contract, soon to be concluded, and a slowdown in shipments in Trenton because of delays in order writing.

"As a result, revenues for 1990 are now forecast at about $45 million with pretax operating profits of approximately $2.5 to $2.75 million. 1991 performance is dependent on results of current marketing programs and will not be clear enough to forecast for several months. What is clear, however, is that we have taken positive steps towards a transition intended to lift our revenues and bring earnings growth without dependence on defense contracts. We have also resized our company to accommodate the current market reducing

costs by over $1.5 million per year.

"Our engineering and management skills are ideally suited to the future and, despite the possibility of variations along the way, we expect to exceed our successes in the defense market and to see our products in tomorrow's satellites, environmental protection installations and secure communications systems."

Financial Highlights:

BASE TEN SYSTEMS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

Period ended	Nine Months		Three Months	
July 31,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$35,318,000	$33,208,000	$10,742,000	$11,596,000
Earnings from continuing oper. before inc. tax	2,108,000	1,809,000	538,000	1,056,000
Income taxes	800,000	850,000	203,000	136,000
Earnings from continuing operations	1,308,000	959,000	335,000	920,000
Adjustment to loss of discontinued operations	---	(A)1,363,000	---	(A)63,000
Net earnings	1,308,000	2,322,000	335,000	983,000
Net earnings per share(B):				
Continuing Operations	$.37	$.27	$.09	$.26
Discont. Operations	$.--	$.39	$.--	$.02
	$.37	$.66	$.09	$.28

(B)Based upon 3,515,553 weighted average shares outstanding in 1990 and 1989 respectively.
(A)The adjustment reflects the actual results of the discontinued operations compared to the forecasted loss for the period.

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#90256p4171 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Catalina Lighting, Inc. (AMEX: LTG) announced today that on Sept. 10, 1990, it filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the public offering of 1,010,477 shares of its common stock $0.01 par value. All of the shares will be offered by selling stockholders of the company including the holders of warrants for 101,583 shares. To the extent that the warrants are exercised, Catalina will use the proceeds of $418,791 for working capital purposes.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time

the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

Copies of the preliminary prospectus relating to the offer and sale of these securities will be available soon from the company.

Catalina Lighting, Inc. is engaged in the design, importation, warehousing, marketing and distribution of lighting fixtures, security devices, ceiling fans and other consumer products. Catalina's common stock is listed on the American Stock Exchange (Symbol: LTG).

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#90256p4175 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDISON, N.J. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Midlantic National Bank today announced a program designed to provide loans for small businesses that may not be able to qualify for traditional bank financing.

The announcement was made by Marshall L. Wolf, executive vice president of Midlantic Corporation (NASDAQ: MIDL), the parent company of Midlantic National Bank. Wolf is responsible for Community Reinvestment Act activities and the coordination of public and political affairs.

"The U.S. Small Business Administration Loan Program which Midlantic is providing will allow us to better serve our communities by giving promising small businesses the chance to grow and prosper," Wolf said.

The bank has already closed its first SBA loan under this program. The loan provides $500,000 in financing for Electronic Manufacturing Company of Newark, a manufacturer of electronic tubes components and specialty metal parts.

"The financing will allow the company to expand and increase its number of employees," said Allan R. Juleus, an assistant vice president and lender at Midlantic National Bank, asset based financial services department.

Juleus added the bank is waiting for approval from the SBA on two other loans. One would permit a small company to construct a fast-serve oil change and lubrication operation in Piscataway. The other would provide financing for a Linden-based company owned by two women who silk screen and design high-end fashion t-shirts.

In addition, Midlantic National Bank/North, based in Paterson, is test

marketing the SBA loan program in the Clifton and Passaic areas, noted Joseph P. Barbato, the bank's SBA liaison officer.

The SBA guarantees loans under the program, allowing Midlantic to provide financing to businesses that might not be able to qualify for a traditional bank loan or that might need extended repayment terms. The bank, as well as the SBA, must approve the loans.

To be eligible for consideration, a business must be operated for profit; be independently owned and operated; and qualify under SBA size standard criteria.

Loans may be made to assist an established business or to start a business. For a new business, the applicant must provide a reasonable amount of his or her own funds (cash or equipment) so the operation is adequately capitalized. The SBA requires a minimum capital contribution of 30 percent to 50 percent by the principals in new business start-ups. Equity in personal assets does not qualify as capital. The applicant must also meet other requirements, including Midlantic's credit standards.

Midlantic Corporation is a $24 billion interstate bank holding company headquartered in Edison. The company operates a network of 514 offices primarily in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and New York.

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#90256p4176 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, N.Y. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Comptek Research, Inc. (AMEX/BSE: CTK) today announced the resignation of Jack E. Wagner as chairman, president and chief executive officer, effective immmediately. Dr. John R. Cummings, a founder and director of Comptek since 1968, has been elected chairman and appointed acting president and CEO. The executive committee of the board of directors will conduct a search over the next several months to find a permanent replacement for Wagner.

"Comptek has made trememdous progress over the past two years and is in excellent financial condition," stated Wagner. "A very capable management team is in place to continue Comptek's strategy of developing cost-effective and creative products and services, primarily for the defense electronics industry. This is an appropriate time for me to move on to other challenges."

Beginning as electrical engineer, Wagner had worked at Comptek since his graduation in 1969 from the State University of New York at Buffalo's School of Engineering. In his 21 years at Comptek, Wagner held several management positions, culminating in 1988 with his election as chairman, president and CEO.

In fiscal 1990 (March), Comptek achieved a 147 percent increase in net income to $1,352,000, or $0.63 per share, on a 3 percent increase in sales to $49,584,000. At year end, the company's backlog was at $49,472,000, up 53 percent from the same date in 1989.

Cummings, age 57, has been an officer and director of Comptek Research since its formation. Most recently he was vice president and chief scientist. After receiving a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Cummings went on to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for master of science and doctor of science degrees in electrical engineering.

"Mr. Wagner's resignation has been accepted with regret, and he will be missed " stated Cummings. "We are however, very pleased with the condition of the company, management structure and prospects for the future."

Comptek Research, Inc., with thirteen offices and subsidiary locations in the U.S., develops Command, Control Communications and Intelligence systems and electonic warfare systems, primarily for the Department of Defense. Related activities include providing specialized technical services and manufacturing precision electronics.

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#90256p4182 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHESDA, MD. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Martin Marietta Corporation (NYSE: ML) has been awarded a $9.2 million U.S. Navy contract to maintain and support towed array sonar systems that are used to detect and track enemy ships and submarines.

The three-year contract covers installation and removal of hydrophone arrays, evaluation of operating procedures, testing, technical assistance and maintenance of depots for parts and supplies.

The contract will be carried out by Martin Marietta Aero & Naval System field sites in New London, Conn.; Norfolk, Va.; Charleston, S.C.; San Diego; and at Pearl Harbor.

Towed arrays are manufactured at Martin Marietta Aero & Naval Systems in Glen Burnie, Md. The company is the U.S. Navy's largest supplier of towed array sonars for both surface ships and submarines.

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#90256p4191 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Turner Corporation (AMEX: TUR), the United States' leading general builder, announced today that its subsidiary, Turner International Industries, Inc. (TIII), New York, has formed a new company with Karl Steiner Ltd. of Zurich, Switzerland, to pursue construction-related opportunities in Europe.

Support for the new company, Turner Steiner Europe Inc. (TSEI), will be shared equally by each parent company. Headquartered in Brussels, Belgium, TSEI will offer consulting and management services related to general contracting, design/build and project development to a broad base of clients with building plans in Europe.

"We at Turner are extremely enthusiastic about the alliance we have formed with the Karl Steiner company and about the potential it provides for Turner's expansion in a growing European market," commented Alfred T. McNeill, chairman of The Turner Corporation. According to McNeill, the linkage with the Steiner company "allows us to offer a unique combination of European building expertise together with Turner's time- tested approach to construction management to American clients with plans for new construction projects on the Continent as well as to European organizations with building programs."

Karl Steiner Ltd. is among the leading general contracting and design/build companies in Switzerland. Its organization includes subsidiaries operating in France, Germany and Italy. Other business concerns handled by the Steiner group include the manufacture of construction-related materials and building systems, and real estate development.

TIII, directly or through subsidiaries, currently has consulting and construction projects under way in Bermuda, Bulgaria, England, Japan, Kuwait, Singapore, Taiwan and Yugoslavia. Building a wide variety of public and private structures throughout the world, TIII is headquartered in New York. It has completed numerous commercial, institutional and light industrial projects for both public and private clients over the past 25 years.

Based in New York, The Turner Corporation, through Turner Construction Company and other construction subsidiaries, is the United States' largest builder of commercial, industrial, hospital and health care, institutional, government building and multi-unit housing projects.

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#90256p4194 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
AGORDO, ITALY (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Luxottica Group S.p.A. (NYSE: LUX)

announced today that at its board meeting yesterday, they were joined for the first time by two new board members. During the extraordinary shareholders meeting in July, Tancredi Bianchi and Lucio Rondelli, both personalities in the Italian economic and banking industries, were elected to the board.

At the meeting, the board evaluated the progress of Luxottica's business in the first eight months of 1990.

Sales of eyeglass frames increased compared to a year ago, and are in line with what the company had indicated to the financial community earlier this year. Specifically, from January to August 1990, sales rose by 18.9 percent (13 percent in units). On a geographical basis, sales increased 9.6 percent in the United States (-0.2 percent in units), 62.8 percent in Italy (39.2 percent in units), and 44.6 percent in the rest of the world (32.6 percent in units).

The board said that it reviewed the situation in markets where Luxottica operates, paying specific attention to the United States. They noted that the commercial activity of Luxottica has not been influenced by recessionary trends in any of the world economies, thanks to the group's highly diversified customer base.

Luxottica Group is a world leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of high quality eyeglass frames in the middle and premium- priced categories. The company's products, which are designed and manufactured in Italy and include over 850 styles available in a wide array of colors and sizes, are sold through wholly-owned distributors in the U.S., Canada, Italy, France, Spain, Portugal, Sweden and West Germany and 50 percent-owned distributors in the United Kingdom and Japan.

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#90256p4195 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES PLAINES, ILL. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of United Stationers Inc. (NASDAQ: USTR) declared the regular quarterly dividend on its common stock of $0.10 per share payable Oct. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business Sept. 28, 1990. As of today, 15,504,606 shares are outstanding.

Cash dividends on the company's common stock have been paid every year since 1972.

United Stationers Inc. is the nation's largest wholesaler of office products to resellers. Through its computer-based physical distribution system, it makes more than 25,000 items available substantially within 24 hours through

distribution points in 55 major hub cities.

CONTACT: Marshall A. Gardner, executive vice president-finance, or Kathleen S. Dvorak, manager-investor relations, both of United Stationers, 708-699-5000

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#90256p4200 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OHIO (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Telxon Corporation NASDAQ/NMS: TLXN) announced today that it has purchased, in open market transactions at substantial discounts from par, an aggregate of $8 million face amount of its 7-1/2 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2012.

The purchase represents approximately 23 percent of the outstanding issue, leaving approximately $28 million face amount outstanding.

The company was assisted by First Boston Corporation, New York, and McDonald & Company Securities Inc., Cleveland, and depending on market conditions, may make additional bond purchases.

The company also announced that it is raising its previously announced earnings estimates for the fiscal 1991 second quarter and year.

"Earnings per share from second-quarter operations will be in excess of $.20, and revenue will be more than $43 million," said Raymond D. Meyo, Telxon president and chief executive officer. "We estimate fiscal 1991 revenue will be in the $170 million to $175 million range, and earnings per share from operations for the year in the $.70 to $.75 range. The ranges exclude an approximate $.09 gain from the company's bond purchase announced today and the $.16 extraordinary gain from purchases made earlier this year."

Telxon portable tele-transaction computers gather, process and store on-site, real-time data which is communicated to host computer. These systems incorporate the company's proprietary operating and applications software, associated peripheral equipment and communications devices.

Telxon's executive and engineering offices are located in Akron, Ohio, and its manufacturing facility is in Houston. Telxon customers are served by 41 sales and services offices worldwide.

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#90256p4211 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of The "Shell" Transport and Trading Company, p.l.c. (NYSE: SC) today announced an interim dividend for the

year 1990 of 8.4p per ordinary share (50.4p per New York Share). This represents an increase of 9.1 percent over the 1989 interim dividend of 7.7p (46.2p).

The amount to be paid to holders of New York Shares will be determined by the dollar/sterling exchange rate and the advance corporation tax (ACT) rate on Nov. 15, 1990. At the current rate of 1 pound sterling equal $1.85 approximately and ACT of 25/75ths, the interim dividend and tax credit together is equivalent to $1.2432 per New York Share.

The interim dividend will be paid on Nov. 23, 1990 to holders of record of New York Shares as at Oct. 11, 1990. The shares become ex- dividend in New York on Oct. 5, 1990.

Shareholders resident in the United Kingdom are entitled to a tax credit equal to the amount of ACT referable to their dividends. At the current rate of ACT of 25/75ths, the tax credit referable to the proposed interim dividend of 8.4p per ordinary share (50.4p per New York Share) is 2.8p (16.8p) and the dividend and tax credit together amount to 11.2p (67.2p).

The current Double Taxation Conventions between the United Kingdom and the United States of America and Canada provide for the payment to qualifying United States and Canadian residents of an amount equal to the relevant tax credit, less United Kingdom income tax at the rate of 15 percent on the sum of the dividend and the tax credit. A shareholder who pays United States or Canadian Federal income taxes may claim credit for the income tax withheld at 15 percent.

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#90256p4213 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TREVOSE, PA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Betz Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ: BETZ) today declared a dividend of 27 cents per common share, payable on Nov. 8, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 25.

CONTACT: R. Dale Voncanon, vp-finance of Betz Laboratories, 215-355-3300

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#90256p4219 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORANGE, CA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Admar Group Inc. (NASDAQ: ADMR) today announced operating results for the second quarter and six months ended July 31, 1990, which exceeded all previous quarters.

Admar announced record pretax income for the quarter and six month periods ended July 31, 1990. Pretax income for the six months ended July 31, 1990, increased 83 percent to $416,000 as compared to $227,000 for the comparable six months in 1989. Net income for the six months was $237,000 or $.006 per share in fiscal 1990, a 99 percent increase over $119,000 or $.003 per share for the comparable six months in the prior year. revenues for the six months ended July 31, 1990, increased one percent to $5,275,000 from $5,219,000 in the prior year.

Pretax income for the quarter increased by 97 percent to $199,000 from $101,000 for the comparable quarter last year. Net income for the quarter was $113,000 or $.003 per share a 126 percent increase over $50,000 or $.001 per share for the comparable quarter in the prior year. Revenues for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, increased 4 percent to $2,712,000 from $2,601,000.

In commenting on the results, Richard H. Toral, the company's chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "We are very encouraged by the results for the quarter and six month periods ended July 31, 1990. Pretax income was at record levels for both the three month and six month periods. This is the result of increased revenues and various cost cutting measures previously implemented. Admar has increased its emphasis on marketing by hiring Donald Cummins, a new vice president of Marketing. Additionally, Admar has increased the emphasis at its regional offices from strictly service to marketing and service."

The Admar Group Inc. develops markets and administers managed health care services which facilitates the delivery and manages the cost of providing health care through contracted insurance carriers and self-insured employer groups. Admar's services are marketed as an adjunct to employee health care benefit plans. Programs include alternate delivery systems comprised of group medical and workers compensation preferred provider organizations and exclusive provider organizations; the HealthWatch Medical Review System, designed to ensure appropriate use of hospitalization for medical/surgical, substance abuse, mental health, catastrophic illness and injuries; and Advantage Benefits Company, a third party administrator providing services to self-insured employers.

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#90256p4220 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Centel Corp. (NYSE: CNT) announced today that Patricia E. Simmons has been elected to the new position of vice president-federal legislative affairs.

In her new position, Simmons, who has been general manager-government relations at Centel since 1987, directs Centel's government relations efforts

in Washington, serving as a liaison between the company and Congress, executive agencies and trade associations. She will continue to work out of Centel's Washington office.

"This change reflects Centel's growing presence and scope in the federal political arena," said David A. Bohmer, Centel's senior vice president-government relations. "Ms. Simmons has been an effective representative for Centel and has been instrumental in our increased efforts in Washington. In her new position, she will have additional responsibilities in dealing with Congress and other agencies."

Prior to joining Centel, Simmons spent 13 years on Capitol Hill as an aide to six congressmen. Her most recent position was as legislative director to then-U.S. Rep. Dan Coats (R-Ind.), who was a member of the Commerce Subcommittee on Telecommunications. Coats has since become a U.S. senator, filling the seat vacated when Dan Quayle was elected vice president.

Simmons is a graduate of the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville. Chicago-based Centel Corp., which had 1989 revenues of $1.19 billion, provides local exchange telephone service through more than 1.6 million access lines in nine states; operates cellular communications franchises that serve nearly 150,000 access lines in 45 markets in 15 states, and supplies electric power to more than 136,000 customers in two states.

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#90256p4221 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Myrias Corporation today delivered the first Myrias SPS-3, its latest high-performance parallel system, to the Canadian Network for Space Research (CNSR). Acquired with CNSR funds, this SPS-3 contains 32 Motorola 68040 microprocessors. This is the first delivery of a commercial product that incorporates 68040-microprocessor technology.

Among several Networks of Centers of Excellence funded by the Federal Government, the Canadian Network for Space Research consists of seven private sector companies, five university-based research groups, and two government laboratories. The University of Alberta Space Physics Group, part of the CNSR, will be operating the system for the center.

The Myrias SPS-3 computer will assist the researchers in their ongoing study of the acceleration of ionized particles in deep space, responsible for such natural phenomena as the northern lights. A practical consequence of these studies will be a better understanding of the damaging effects these solar-terrestrial interactions have on man-made systems such as operational satellites and large-scale power grids at high latitudes.

The SPS-3 parallel computer is well-suited to modelling the space plasma environment. This was demonstrated last December, when Myrias successfully ran the largest-known particle-in-cell simulation, consisting of 22 million particles on a 4096 x 4096 grid, on a 1024-processor SPS-2, an earlier version of the Myrias parallel computer.

Myrias and University researchers look forward to a close working relationship together pushing the boundaries of parallel processing and penetrating the unknowns of the space environment.

Myrias develops and manufactures high-performance parallel computing systems.

CONTACT: Ken Gordon of Myrias Corporation, 403-428-1616; or Gordon Rostoker of CNSR, 403-492-3521

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#90256p4224 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, S.C. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The resignation of James T. Lynagh as President and Chief Operating Officer of Multimedia, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MMED) was announced today by Walter E. Barlett, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Lynagh also resigned from Multimedia's Board of Directors and Executive Management Committee. He will continue with Multimedia in the capacity of consultant to the Chief Executive Officer. Bartlett said, "I count heavily on Jim Lynagh's advice and I expect him to continue to serve a very important role in the Company." Bartlett will assume the additional title of President of Multimedia, Inc.

Lynagh stated that he was resigning to pursue personal objectives. He said, "While I have chosen to retire from full time media work after 39 years, I am pleased to continue my association with Multimedia on a consultative basis at least through 1991. The Company is now well positioned for future growth, has a talented group of senior managers and is properly diversified for continued excellent performance. I am grateful to Walter Barlett, the Company's Chairman and CEO, and the Board of Directors for their support and encouragement during the past nine and a half years. This change affords me the opportunity to continue contact with my associates and friends in the broadcast and other media businesses. However, I will also be free to explore other fields in which I have been interested but lacked the time to pursue in the past."

Barlett said, "It is with great regret that Multimedia accepted Jim Lynagh's decision not to continue in his full time position. He is an outstanding executive and as President of Multimedia, Inc. and formerly President of Multimedia Broadcasting, has been an important member of our management team. We have enjoyed a close working relationship over the years and I look forward to our future assocation. I am greatly pleased his expertise will continue to be available to us in his new assignments with the Company."

Bartlett added that Lynagh will play a major consultant's role in the selection of programming, news presentation and promotion at the Mutimedia television stations. He will also participate in the development of television programming for national syndication and for sale to cable networks by the Multimedia Entertainment division.

Multimedia, Inc., is a diversified media communications company headquartered in Greenville, S.C., which publishes 13 daily and 49 non-daily newspapers, owns and operates four television and eight radio stations and a video production company, operates more than 100 cable television franchises in four states, and produces and syndicates quality television programming, including the Phil Donahue and Sally Jessy Raphael shows.

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#90256p4225 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Trinity Industries, Inc. (NYSE: TRN) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.20 per share on its $1 par value common stock.

The quarterly cash dividend, Trinity's 106th consecutive, is payable Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 15.

Trinity Industries, with headquarters in Dallas, manufactures and markets a wide variety of metal products, principally in six business segments: railcars, containers, structural products, marine products, metal components and leasing.

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#90256p4231 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, N.Y. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Task Group, Inc. (CTG) (NYSE: TSK) today announced that it has acquired a firm specializing in networking systems integration -- Connolly Data Systems, Inc., (CDSI) of Lowell, Mass.

In its five-year strategic plan, CTG -- the consulting, systems integration and professional services firm -- targeted networking, communications and connectivity as areas of high growth. CTG acquired CDSI as part of its strategic commitment to communications and networking. CDSI is New England's largest independent networking systems integrator, and was recently ranked the 25th largest U.S. networking systems integrator by LAN Magazine.

"Communications and networking have become urgent needs for our clients," said David N. Campbell, chairman and chief executive officer of Computer Task Group. "Our corporate commitment to these areas is an important part of our strategy. CTG has a strong team of networking experts in our consulting group -- Telecommunications Management Consultants (TMC) -- and the CDSI acquisition will add an important dimension to our service."

The CDSI acquisition will broaden CTG's market presence into systems integration and product-related services. The acquisition more than doubles CTG's communications staff.

"This acquisition positions CTG at the forefront of the communications market as connectivity issues become essential to the strategic positioning of many firms," Campbell continued.

Across industries, the demand for connectivity between personal computers, workstations and mainframes has been explosive. CDSI helps firms bring together differing technologies into cohesive enterprise networks. CDSI's services, coupled with the services of CTG's TMC, offer clients a single source of support for connectivity. Jointly, their services would include consulting, systems integration, education, software development, hardware support and maintenance.

Founded in 1976 by Patrick H. Connolly, CDSI's chief executive officer, the firm will operate as a wholly owned division of CTG.

Listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol TSK, CTG's 3,800 experienced systems professionals serve 85 of the Fortune 100 through a network of more than 60 offices worldwide. CTG is in its 25th year of business.

CONTACT: Samuel D. Horgan, vice president and chief financial officer, 716-887-7300; or Joanne Starr, 716-887-7276; both of Computer Task Group

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today issued the following debenture announcement.

Date of Offering:	Sept. 14, 1990
Issue Date:	Sept. 19, 1990
Term:	5 years
Callable on or after:	9/19/91
Amount (millions):	$300
Maturity Date:	9/19/95
Date of First Interest Payment	

(then semi-annually): 3/19/91
Date interest rates
and prices will be
announced: Sept. 13, 1990

The debentures of Sept. 19, 1995 are redeemable on or after Sept. 19, 1991 in whole or in part at the option of the corporation at any time (and from time to time) on or after the initial redemption date at a redemption price of 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption.

The net proceeds of this offering will be added to the working capital of the Federal National Mortgage Association and used for general corporate purposes.

Debentures will be issued in book-entry form only. The minimum purchase is $10,000 and multiples of $5,000 thereafter. The offering is being made through Fannie Mae's Senior Vice President - Finance and Treasurer, Gary L. Perlin, and Vice President and Assistant Treasurer, Linda K. Knight, 3900 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016, assisted by a nationwide selling group of recognized securities dealers.

The issues that are offered on Sept. 14, 1990, will be free to trade at 8:20 a.m. EDT.

CONTACT: Tom Marder of Fannie Mae, 202-752-7608

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GREENVILLE, S.C. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - First Union National Bank of South Carolina has pledged one million dollars to the City of Greenville's New Home Ownership Program for low- and moderate-income families.

Since its inception in 1986, the program has helped 26 families purchase new homes by offering affordable mortgages. The National Conference of Mayors, the National Center for Public Productivity at Rutgers University, The Journal of Housing, and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) have all honored the program with national awards for its work in the community.

In brief remarks at a meeting today with bank and city officials, and representatives from HUD, Greenville Mayor W.D. Workman praised First Union and others who have entered into partnerships with the City.

We are excited by your efforts to increase affordable housing opportunities for low- to moderate-income residents of Greenville," Workman said. We can't do it alone, and we count on public/private ventures to help these people."

Representing First Union National Bank of South Carolina was Chairman and Chief Executive Sid Tate. "It is an excellent opportunity for us to reinvest in the communities we serve," Tate said. "This partnership with the City of Greenville is just one way we're able to do that."

Approximately $250,000 will be set aside immediately for about ten homes in the Green Avenue area. "You may think ten homes is just a drop in the bucket. But the shortage of affordable housing is tremendous, and we're going to tackle it one drop at a time, one bucket at a time, one home at a time," said Tate.

The loans will have an adjustable interest rate, with no loan origination fees or appraisal fees. The city will refer applicants to First Union.

The program also provides incentives to developers to encourage the construction of single-family homes that are affordable, and to help families build equity in a home of their own. Individual mortgages will not exceed $25,000, and the city will provide for a maximum subsidy of $12,000 per homeowner.

First Union National Bank of South Carolina is headquartered in Greenville and operates 56 banking offices in more than 32 communities across the state.

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#90256p4242 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Vista Concepts, Inc., a NYNEX company (NYSE: NYN), today announced the licensing of its securities processing software to the International Stock Exchange (ISE), the leading trading exchange in Europe. Vista's software will be the cornerstone of the ISE's new TAURUS system, which will automate securities settlement.

The ISE is the second European depository to employ Vista software. A license to the Amsterdam Depositary was announced earlier this year.

TAURUS (The Automated Registration of Uncertified Stock) is a paperless system for handling share ownership and transfer. It will be fully integrated with the ISE's TALISMAN system, which handles material stocks, and will provide a complete settlement system and an electronic depository.

Five online, real-time Vista software packages are included in the deal. Vista staff will work with the TAURUS project team to customize the software to meet specifications developed by the ISE in consultation with the securities industry. The software system is scheduled to be operational by October 1991.

According to John Watson, the ISE's project director for TAURUS, "Having conducted a thorough analysis of possible options, we invited suitable companies to tender. Vista offers the best fit for our requirements and operational environment. We are confident that it will enable us to build the system necessary to take U.K. settlement forward, and building onto an established framework will give us a better opportunity to meet the demanding timetable.

"Vista software has a proven track record and is designed in a way which facilitates our developments to comply with the Group of Thirty's recommendations," Watson continued. "It allows the phased addition of planned future functionality such as rolling settlement, same-day trade confirmation and delivery vs. payment. The TALISMAN system will continue to operate for material stocks, and existing TALISMAN facilities required for the longer term will by utilized within the Vista design concept."

Vista Concepts, Inc., a NYNEX Information Solutions Group business unit, specializes in securities software packages and consulting services for banks and other financial service institutions. Vista clients include some of the world's largest and most prestigious securities processing organizations, with installations in the U.K., Netherlands, United States and Canada. NYNEX Information Solutions Group, Inc., a subsidiary of NYNEX Corporation, is a leading worldwide provider of financial services software, information technology consulting and operations support.

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#90256p4243 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILSONVILLE, OR (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - CF Motor Freight, one of the nation's largest long-haul trucking companies, has opened a 5-door Wilsonville terminal, which will enable the company to provide improved freight transportation services to its customers in southwest Portland.

The new facility, located at 9730 S.W. Hillman Ct., serves businesses in Canby McMinnville, Newberg, Sherwood, Tualatin, Wilsonville and Woodburn. The terminal is the area's link to CF Motor Freight's nationwide freight-flow system, a 697-terminal network serving virtually every business address in the United States and Canada, including Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

"By opening this terminal, we are moving closer to our Wilsonville area customers," said Bill McDonald, Wilsonville terminal manager. "This enables us to provide our customers here with more responsive and efficient freight transportation services."

The Wilsonville facility is a spin-off of the company's Beaverton terminal, which has served local businesses for three years. Current CF Motor Freight customers in the Wilsonville area include Nike, Coca-Cola, G.I. Joe's Department Stores, Payless Shoes, SR Smith and ADEC. Among the commodities transported are consumer products, industrial goods and dental equipment.

The new terminal has 10 employees -- six drivers and four office workers -- and uses six tractors and 15 trailers to carry freight for its customers.

Like all CF Motor Freight terminals, Wilsonville is tied into the company's freight-flow system through a sophisticated nationwide computer freight tracking and data management network. The company's system enables Wilsonville customers to obtain instant status of their shipments, whether inbound or outbound, as well as pricing, volume and other freight profile and logistics information that helps customers manage their businesses.

"Comprehensive and accurate shipment information is very important today, particularly for businesses involved in just-in-time retailing and manufacturing," McDonald said. "The ability of a carrier to provide consistent, error-free service often can make the difference between a production line operating efficiently, or a retailer having the proper goods in time for a sale."

CF Motor Freight provides intermediate and long-haul transportation of less-than-truckload freight, which are commercial and industrial shipments generally weighing less than 10,000 pounds. The company is based in Palo Alto Calif.

CONTACT: Doug Kline, 415-494-2900; or Bill McDonald, 503-682-8780, both of CF Motor Freight

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#90256p4244 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - James L. Hailey and Henry H. Scott have been elected presidents of the women's and children's divisions, respectively, of J.C. Penney Company, Inc., it was announced today by William R. Howell, chairman of the board.

Hailey, who has headed up the children's division since August 1987, succeeds John A. McConville, who is retiring after 39 years with the company.

In other management changes, which are also effective Nov. 1, Kenneth T. Russo has been elected a vice president and named director of international sourcing a new position, and Gerald L. Shores has been named to succeed him as director of merchandising, women's accessories. Shores, who has served as director of coordination for JCPenney stores since April 1988, has also been elected a divisional vice president.

In the children's division, with the combining of the marketing and merchandising functions, two new positions have been established. Andrew Cumming, who has been responsible for marketing, becomes director of merchandising for boys' and girls' lines. He continues as a divisional vice president. Tice Siegel has been elected a divisional vice president and named director of merchandising for infants, toys, children's catalog, and children's shoe lines. Both Cumming and Siegel report to Scott.

Hailey, Scott, and Russo report to W. Barger Tygart, executive vice president and director of merchandising.

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#90256p4245 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHBROOK, ILL. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors yesterday declared the regular quarterly cash dividends of Pittway Corp. (AMEX: PRY) for the third quarter in the amount of 15 cents per share of common stock and 27-1/2 cents per share of Class A stock.

The payment date for each is Oct. 2, 1990 to holders of record on Sept. 24 1990.

The dividend on Class A Stock includes an increase of 10 cents per share, which will be effective for each of the next ten quarters in connection with last year's merger of Pittway and Standard Shares, Inc.

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#90256p4247 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEDFORD, MA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Atex Publishing Systems, the leading supplier of computer-aided publishing systems with installations in more than 750 newspapers worldwide, today announced it will implement Atex Investment Management Services (AIM) -- a comprehensive program to integrate the wide range of service offerings the company currently provides.

"The services that Atex will provide under the AIM umbrella not only will allow our customers to prolong their use of Atex equipment, but also will enable them to maximize their investment," said Harland K. LaVigne, president, Worldwide Distribution.

"One of the major benefits that Atex will offer is the ability to integrate the many Atex services into customized support plans for our customers," LaVigne added. "These customized plans are being designed to meet not only

our customers' immediate needs, but also to enable our customers to meet their long-term objectives."

While not yet ready to announce the complete deatils of the program, present plans call for the AIM umbrella to include:

-- AIM Software Services (AIM Soft);
-- AIM Hardware Services (AIM Hard);
-- AIM Networking Services;
-- AIM Consulting Services;
-- AIM Training Services;
-- AIM Documentation Services; and
-- AIM Customer Support Center.

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BEDFORD, MASS. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE -- Atex Publishing Systems, the leading supplier of computer-aided publishing systems with installations in more than 750 newspapers worldwide, today announced the establishment of the centralized Atex Investment Management Services (AIM) Customer Support Center for all newspaper and commercial publishing customers.

The new telephone support center for customers in the United States and Canada directed by Gerry Angeli, vice president of Customer Service and Quality, will be staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All support calls --- to the toll-free number 1-800-USA-ATEX --- will be routed through the center and directed to the most appropriate technical resource. The toll-free number for customers in Massachusetts and Canada is not yet available; those customers should call 1-508-670-3063 until the new number is available.

The program will be phased in on a region-by-region basis beginning Sept. 24. When the program rollout is completed, hardware and software service calls will no longer be taken by Atex regional offices.

Many Benefits for Atex Customers "The establishment of the centralized AIM Customer Support Center will provide a number of important benefits to Atex customers," said Harland K. LaVigne, president, Worldwide Distribution.

"Most important, the customer will always speak to an Atex representative ... a live person and not an answering service. Moreover, the customer needs only to explain the problem or request once because those details will be logged and tracked in a database.

"Every customer call will be addressed because each job will be monitored by customer center personnel to ensure completion. All calls will be escalated

internally as necessary so that the customer receives the most appropriate resource," LaVigne noted.

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#90256p4250 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company today reported the following sales figures:

	1990	1989	Pct. Change	Memo: Selling Days 1990	1989
Total Vehicles					
Sept. 1-10	66,869	64,437	+ 3.8	7	7
Jan. 1-Sept. 10	2,418,145	2,657,761	- 9.4	213	212
Total Cars					
Sept. 1-10	38,198	38,601	- 1.0		
Jan. 1-Sept. 10	1,386,261	1,607,755	-14.2		
Imported Cars					
Sept. 1-10	1,381	1,557	-11.3		
Jan. 1-Sept. 10	46,368	57,320	-19.3		
Total Trucks					
Sept. 1-10	28,671	25,836	+11.0		
Jan. 1-Sept. 10	1,031,884	1,050,006	- 2.2		
Light Trucks					
Sept. 1-10	27,571	25,024	+10.2		
Jan. 1-Sept. 10	998,481	1,007,718	- 1.4		

Note: Percentage changes are based on daily selling rates.

CONTACT: Joel Pitcoff, 313-337-3753, or June Larsen, 313-337-3755, both of Ford

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#90256p4251 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, Idaho (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Idaho Power Co. (NYSE: IDA) today declared common stock dividend of $0.465 per share, payable Nov. 20 to holders of record at the close of business on Oct. 25.

Directors also declared quarterly dividend on four percent preferred stock of $1.00 per share, payable Feb. 1, 1991 to holders of record at the close of business on Jan. 15, 1991.

Directors also declared dividend on 7.68 percent serial preferred stock, first series, $100 par value, of $1.92 per share, payable Nov. 15 to holders of record at the close of business on Oct. 25.

Directors also declared dividend on 9.50 percent serial preferred stock, without par value, of $2.375 per share, payable Nov. 20 to holders of record at the close of business on Oct. 25.

CONTACT: Daniel K Bowers of Idaho Power Co., 208-383-2263.

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#90256p4257 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are unit sales for the 10-day period, Sept. 1-10, for Lincoln-Mercury Division:

	Current	Year-ago
Grand Marquis	2,960	2,231
Cougar	1,051	2,122
Sable	1,373	1,734
Topaz	1,255	1,305
Tracer	1,078	1,058
Capri	206	---
Lincoln Town Car	2,760	2,337
Mark VII	356	282
Continental	1,476	809
XR4Ti	---	48
Scorpio	---	29
TOTAL	12,515	11,955

CONTACT: Edda LaFramboise of Lincoln-Mercury Division, 313-446-4368

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#90256p4259 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRYN MAWR, PA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Suburban Corp. (NYSE: PSC) today announced its decision to more actively pursue a water services strategy.

In this connection, the company announced its intention to dispose of its non-water services businesses, consisting of its information services, telemarketing, and energy engineering and software operations.

The company also stated that it would be making a special charge to earnings in the third quarter of approximately $2.6 million or approximately $.34 per share. This charge will include a write-off of certain computer software products and other assets. The company said it does not anticipate a loss on the ultimate disposition of its non- water services operations.

John W. Boyer Jr., president and chairman of Philadelphia Suburban Corp., stated that the company's present potential for growth lies in its ability to

capitalize on the opportunities now available in water services.

"It is our expectation that the decisions we have made will put the company's future earnings on a more predictable basis," Boyer said.

Philadelphia Suburban Corp. is a diversified company. PSC's largest subsidiary is Philadelphia Suburban Water Co., which serves 234,000 customers in portions of Delaware, Chester and Montgomery counties, north and west of Philadelphia. PSC's nonregulated subsidiaries presently offer services to a broad base of customers with an emphasis on the utility and public sector markets.

CONTACT: Roy H. Stahl, vice president and general counsel of Philadelphia Suburban, 215-645-1035

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#90256p4260 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors dealers in the United States today reported the following vehicle sales:

	Period Sept. 1-10		Calendar Year(a) Jan. 1-Sept. 10	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Vehicles	108,582	109,156	3,589,525	3,729,892
Percent Change Per S/D	-0.5	---	-3.8	---
Total Cars	74,069	69,279	2,379,201	2,515,357
Percent Change Per S/D	+6.9	---	-5.4	---
Total Trucks	34,513	39,877	1,210,324	1,214,535
Percent Change Per S/D	-13.5	---	-0.3	---

Division	Period Sept. 1-10		Calendar Year Jan. 1-Sept. 10	
Total Vehicles	1990	1989	1990	1989
Chevrolet	53,617	55,184	1,925,756	1,947,810
Pontiac	18,217	12,764	483,660	499,531
Oldsmobile	12,054	15,088	379,351	443,160
Buick	12,823	10,747	371,418	388,538
Cadillac	4,974	5,776	177,333	182,701
GMC	6,897	9,597	252,007	268,152
Domestic Sales Cars	70,697	66,445	2,245,376	2,393,420

Lt. Duty
Trucks 33,655 39,052 1,183,158 1,181,968
NOTE: Seven selling days (S/D) in the Sept. 1-10 period this year and last year.

(a) -- Year-to-year percent change is not adjusted for selling days.

CONTACT: Terrence Sullivan of General Motors, 313-556-2019

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#90256p4266 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
HANOVER, Md. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Continuing a long-standing tradition, Ford Aerospace recently presented Junior Achievement of Central Maryland a cash contribution for its in-school economic education programs.

In addition, Ford Aerospace, WDL Division, also reaffirmed its commitment providing professional assistance to Anne Arundel County (Md.) school teachers in the presentation of Junior Achievement's courses.

Jim Green, director, Ford Aerospace Strategic Systems Operations, recently presented the company's annual cash contribution to Pat Perry, executive director, Junior Achievement of Central Maryland at Ford Aerospace's Hanover facility. In May, Ford Aerospace supported three teams in Junior Achievement's "Bowl-a-Thon," the organization's largest fund-raising event. In addition, Ford Aerospace's Jim Micek continues his service on the board of directors for Junior Achievement in Anne Arundel County.

Junior Achievement of Central Maryland is part of the nation's oldest privately funded economic education organization. It provides three in-school economic education programs: "Business Basics" for fifth and sixth grades; "Project Business" for eighth and ninth grades; and "Applied Economics" for 11th and 12th grades. In 1989-90 Junior Achievement of Central Maryland served more than 14,000 students in 58 high schools, 55 middle schools and 60 elementary schools.

At its Hanover location, Ford Aerospace is involved in high technology communications systems in support of the Department of Defense. The local work force develops software, systems design, integration, test, training, and operations and maintenance for large computer-based communications systems.

Ford Aerospace, a wholly owned subsidiary of Ford Motor (NYSE: F), is a leader in command, control, communications and intelligence systems; tactical weapon systems; satellites and space systems; and professional and technical services. The corporation is headquartered in Newport Beach, Calif., with major operations in California, New Mexico, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas and the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area in addition to Colorado.

CONTACT: Christopher Clough of Ford Aerospace, 703-685-5593.

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#90256p4267 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Graphic Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: GRPH), a leading full service printing and graphic communications company, has declared a quarterly dividend of $.0175 per share of common stock, payable on Oct. 5 to shareholders of record on Sept. 21, Mark C. Pope III, chairman and chief executive officer, announced.

Graphic reported second quarter net income was up 63 percent over a year ago with sales advancing 15 percent. First half sales were $165,680,000 compared with $143,551,000 last year and net income was up 44 percent to $2,885,000 for the six months. Graphic's operating companies in 17 local marketplaces provide corporate, commercial and financial printing, reprographic services, point-of-purchase materials, direct mail and education services.

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#90256p4269 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Russ Togs, Inc. (NYSE: RTS), a leading apparel manufacturer, today reported a net loss for the 13 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990, of $2,948,000, or $.41 a common share, as compared to earnings, before an extraordinary income item, of $231,000, or $.02 a share, last year. Net sales for the quarter were $46,334,000, as compared to $62,817,000 for this period a year ago.

Net earnings for the quarter last year, including an extraordinary income item of $1,550,000, totalled $1,781,000, or $.23 a common share.

For the 26 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $4,433,000, or $.62 a common share, as compared to earnings of $997,000, or $.12 a share. Including an extraordinary income item of $1,550,000, net earnings in the prior year were $2,547,000, or $.33 a share. Net sales for the current period were $96,350,000 as compared to $119,799,000.

RUSS TOGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Summary of Earnings
(Unaudited)

Periods ended:	26 weeks		13 weeks	
	8/4/90	7/29/89	8/4/90	7/29/89
Net sales	$96,350,000	$119,799,000	$46,334,000	$62,817,000
Earns. (loss) bef. income taxes	(6,533,000)	1,584,000	(4,007,000)	381,000
Income taxes				

(refund)	(2,100,000)	587,000	(1,059,000)	150,000
Earns. bef. extraord. item	(4,433,000)	997,000	(2,948,000)	231,000
Extraord. item (net of inc. taxes)	--	1,550,000	--	1,550,000
Net earns. (loss)	(4,433,000)	2,547,000	(2,948,000)	1,781,000
Earns. (loss) per common share:				
Operations	$(.62)	$.12	$(.41)	$.02
Extraord. item	--	.21	--	.21
Net earns. (loss)	(.62)	.33	(.41)	.23
Cash div. per shr. of common stock	$.10	$.30	$.05	$.15
Avg. no. of shrs. used in computations	7,345,000	7,282,000		

CONTACT: Bob Perilla Associates, 212-581-5775, for Russ Togs

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#90256p4270 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, Conn. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Savin Corporation (NYSE: SVB) today announced that it has been awarded a series of "Cost per Copy Service" contracts by the General Services Administration to supply approximately 4,000 photocopiers to the United States Navy and various other government agencies effective Oct. 1, 1990. These awards are renewable annually for up to a total of five years. According to the terms of this contract, Savin will provide copiers, supplies, training and service.

Brian L. Merriman, Savin president, commented, "We are pleased by the confidence expressed by the General Services Administration in awarding Savin this performance contract, which is one of the largest single awards made to a contractor under this program. Savin's ability to service all the machines at 16 different domestic locations was essential to the contract."

William T. Smith, vice chairman and chief operation officer, explained, "In 1990, a company strategic focus was to increase its copier rental base. This award is a major step in the fulfillment of this strategy. Savin equipment is also being used by the other branches of the military; for example, significant quantities of our copiers were sent to Saudi Arabia for use by the Army and the Marines."

Savin Corporation, founded in 1959, distributes a full line of office copiers and facsimile products through a North American network of ten company-owned branches and over 380 dealers at more than 500 selling and servicing locations. Savin is also a non-exclusive distributor of a full-color copier: the PrismTMI. Savin is the only distributor of copier products in North America offering the customer a choice of toner technologies.

CONTACT: Alexandra Raine of Savin, 203-967-5193 or 5500.

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#90256p4271 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEVERLY HILLS, CA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Hilton Hotels Corp. (NYSE: HLT) announced today that based on results for July and August, net income from operations for the third quarter is expected to decline approximately 50 percent from the comparable 1989 period. Net income from operations for the 1989 quarter was $30.5 million or 63 cents per share.

The decline in net income is primarily attributed to a reduction in gaming revenues at the Las Vegas Hilton. Increased competition in Las Vegas adversely impacted both premium and table play revenues at the Las Vegas Hilton.

The Flamingo Hilton-Laughlin was opened as scheduled on Aug. 1, 1990, and, despite the traditionally slow summer period, is showing good results.

Hotel income contribution is expected to decline slightly due in large part to a soft summer in New York City, one of the company's principal markets.

Other factors contributing to the decline are extraordinary adjustments to interest income and income taxes recorded in the 1989 quarter.

CONTACT: Maurice J. Scanlon, Sr. VP-Finance of Hilton Hotels Corp., 213-278-4321

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#90256p4272 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Division today reported the following 10-day sales figures:

	Sept. 1-10		Month-to-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Selling days	7	7	7	7
Ford	2,961	2,097	2,961	2,097
Thunderbird	1,637	2,654	1,637	2,654
Taurus	5,298	5,617	5,298	5,617
Tempo	3,954	3,694	3,954	3,694
Escort	7,186	6,310	7,186	6,310
Festiva	1,175	1,480	1,175	1,480
Mustang	2,355	2,627	2,355	2,627
Probe	1,117	2,167	1,117	2,167
Total cars	25,683	26,646	25,683	26,646
Bronco	896	1,242	896	1,242

Bronco II/Expl	4,238	2,267	4,238	2,267
Club Wagon	328	335	328	335
Van	2,786	2,850	2,786	2,850
Aerostar	2,850	3,271	2,850	3,271
Ranger	6,742	5,084	6,742	5,084
F-Series	9,731	9,975	9,731	9,975
Heavy	1,100	812	1,100	812
Total trucks	28,671	25,836	28,671	25,836

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	1990	1989
Selling days	213	212
Ford	79,240	81,788
Thunderbird	74,681	89,278
Taurus	223,094	251,383
Tempo	156,117	160,361
Escort	195,618	247,150
Festiva	40,552	51,237
Mustang	89,587	128,409
Probe	88,103	99,244
Total cars	946,992	1,108,850
Bronco	36,929	42,885
Bronco II	110,873	75,434
Club Wagon	15,027	18,276
Van	109,647	122,352
Aerostar	130,976	139,933
Ranger	204,299	195,298
F-Series	390,730	413,540
Heavy	33,403	42,288
Total trucks	1,031,884	1,050,006

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - A new superspeed centralized digital printing system was announced today by Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK). The new system is designed to be "the most dramatic advance in office productivity since the mouse," according to the company's Copy Product's Division.

Kodak described the system as a "quantum leap in productivity for users of PCs Macintosh computers and workstations."

Operating at speeds up to 92 pages per minute, and supporting PostScript page description language, the superspeed digital printing system is driven by LionHeart's revolutionary 1.0 advanced printing software. The software enables users of PCs, Macintosh computers and workstations to be networked to the superspeed printer either directly or through a print server.

Also announced was LionHeart's guarantee, which accompanies every product in the LionHeart family: Customers will experience measurable improvements in productivity or the system may be returned.

The announcements were made jointly by Charles L. Trowbridge, vice president and general manager, Copy Products Division, and by Michael J. Murray, vice president and general manager, marketing, Copy Products Division.

"Guaranteed productivity in the office or central reproduction department is the promise behind the name LionHeart," said Trowbridge. "Over the next year, we will introduce a number of new products under the LionHeart banner. Each will meet the standard of guaranteed productivity for our customers.

"The name LionHeart," said Murray, "represents an important advance in office productivity. This is true when productivity is measured by the speed at which documents can be printed, duplicated and finished. It is also true when productivity is measured by how powerfully those documents convey information due to their superior appearance."

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Fiat Group's (NYSE: FIA) industrial vehicles subsidiary, Iveco, has agreed to buy a 60 percent stake in Spanish truck-maker Enasa from the Spanish state-owned holding company INI (Institute Nacional de Industria).

The agreement, signed on Sept. 12, includes a medium- and long-term industrial plan for the development of Enasa. The plan calls for the strengthening of Enasa's manufacturing facilities and the maintenance of its workforce at current levels.

Fiat's Iveco will adopt the measures necessary to broaden Enasa's product range in both the heavy and light vehicles sectors with the aim of improving the competitive position of Enasa's commercial network.

INI and Iveco have begun the process of obtaining regulatory approval for the operation.

Cesare Romiti, president and CEO of Fiat Group and chairman of Iveco, said: "The finalization of this agreement with INI strengthens Iveco's operations in Europe, adding the Spanish plants to those in Italy, France, Germany and Great Britain. This transaction is a further step in the internationalization strategy of Fiat Group, after the recently signed agreements with Ford vis-a-vis the farm equipment business and Nippondenso for the joint production

of car air conditioners and heaters," Romiti said.

In 1989, Iveco net consolidated revenues were $6.4 billion, up 9 percent from the previous year. Operating income was 7.6 percent of revenues. Last year the industrial vehicles sector of the Fiat Group produced 139,300 units. Iveco's European market share was approximately 20 percent.

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POTSDAM, N.Y. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Clarkson University and International Business Machines Corporation (NYSE: IBM), today announced a major partnership called Workstations in Science and Engineering (WISE), designed to improve engineering, science and management education not only at Clarkson but across the country.

The partnership is being initiated by a gift of an IBM 4381 mainframe computer and a joint study including 150 of IBM's RISC System/6000 family of workstations. The approximate value of this equipment, which will be delivered over the next two years, will be $5 million.

These computer tools will enhance the Clarkson "living and learning" environment and enable students and faculty to increase their current computer capabilities.

The advanced workstations will greatly increase the computing power of students, faculty and researchers at Clarkson. One model of these workstations has three times the computing capability of a larger computer currently used by the University. The new workstations will allow faster computation of complex engineering problems as well as increase the capability of students and faculty to communicate via computer with their counterparts on campus and around the world.

The workstations will be showcased in Clarkson's new Center for Advanced Materials Processing (CAMP) facility which is nearing completion on the "hill campus." They will also be incorporated into the undergraduate instructional curricula, thus preparing tomorrow's engineers and scientists with the most up-to-date equipment.

Commenting on the new partnership, Clarkson President Richard H. Gallagher stressed that the partnership is important to the future of the University. "IBM has long been a leader in the computer manufacturing world," he said. "Its generosity and interest in education also makes it a leader in transforming education to meet today's technological challenges."

Nicholas M. Donofrio, IBM vice president and president, Advanced Workstations

Division, and member of Clarkson's Board of Trustees, commented that the use of educational computers should not be for computing so much as for enhancing the productivity and learning process. "They should enable professors and teachers to interact creatively with students," he continued.

Donofrio added that the partnership with Clarkson translates into providing first rate training for future IBM employees. There are nearly 1,000 Clarkson alumni employed by the company.

Clarkson will call upon various IBM resources to explore the most effective ways to use computers to enhance learning. The company's consulting scholars educators who are computer experts in specific disciplines, will visit Clarkson to share their expertise in using computers as instructional tools.

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#90256p4280 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Eaton Vance Corp. (NASDAQ: EAVN), a holding company owning all of the shares of Eaton Vance Management, Inc., a Boston-based investment management firm, reports total earnings of $2,928,000 and per share earnings of 78 cents for the quarter ended July 31, 1990. This compares with total earnings of $3,524,000 and per share earnings of 95 cents for the same quarter in the previous year. For the nine months ended July 31, Eaton Vance earned $6,869,000 and $1.82 per share compared with $6,508,000 and $1.75 for the same period in 1989.

The three months earnings include a 5 cent loss in 1990 and a 32 cent gain in 1989 from realized and unrealized gains and losses on gold mining securities held in two partnerships sponsored by Eaton Vance. Net income excluding those gains and losses totalled 83 cents per share in the three month period, up 32 percent from 63 cents in the comparable 1989 period. In the nine month periods ended July 31, similar net income per share figures were $2.45 in 1990 and $1.84 in 1989.

Assets under management of Eaton Vance rose to $7.2 billion on July 31, 1990 from $5.5 billion a year earlier.

3 Months Ended July 31	1990	1989
Net Income	$2,928,000	$3,524,000
Net Income Per Share	78 cents	95 cents
Average Shares Outstanding	3,773,000	3,724,000
9 Months Ended July 31		
Net Income	$6,869,000	$6,508,000
Net Income Per Share	$1.82	$1.75
Average Shares Outstanding	3,771,000	3,715,000

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#90256p4282 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Walt Disney Studios and Interscope Communications in partnership with Nomura Babcock & Brown have entered into a joint venture to produce and market numerous motion pictures over the next four years, it was announced today by Jeffrey Katzenberg and Richard Frank, chairman and vice president, respectively, of The Walt Disney Studios; Ted Field and Robert W. Cort, chairman and president of Interscope; Ichiro Tsunoda president of Nomura Babcock & Brown, and Richard Koffey, managing director of Babcock & Brown.

This new arrangement is an outgrowth of the successful creative collaboration between Disney and Interscope that has resulted in numerous hit films over the past five years. The Interscope/Nomura Babcock & Brown partnership and Disney will each contribute a minimum of $50 million to the joint venture. The Interscope/Nomura Babcock & Brown partnership can increase such initial contributions to $100 million, which Disney is committed to match. This will bring the total aggregate production and marketing fund to $200 million. At their option, the Interscope/Nomura Babcock & Brown partnership have the right to make additional contributions with Disney again committed to match.

Nomura Babcock & Brown will sell partnership interests to its customers in Japan in order to provide funds to the partnership for production and marketing.

Under the terms of the agreement, the Interscope/Nomura Babcock & Brown partnership may elect to co-finance the films that Interscope produces or executive produces for The Walt Disney Studios. These films will be marketed and distributed under the studio's Touchstone Pictures, Hollywood Pictures and Walt Disney Pictures production banners.

Some of the initial projects to be co-financed will be drawn from the sixteen projects that Interscope already has in development with Disney. In addition, Disney may offer projects to the Interscope/Nomura Babcock & Brown partnership for funding and production under the new arrangement. All projects owned and controlled by Interscope will continue to be shown first to Disney, under the company's existing first-look deal with the studio, and will be available for co-financing by the joint venture. The Interscope/Nomura Babcock & Brown partnership retains the right to co-finance films for other major studios if Disney elects not to become involved with a particular project.

In making the announcement, Katzenberg stated, "We have always had tremendous respect for Bob Cort and Ted Field and this new joint venture gives us the opportunity to expand our successful relationship with them. We look forward to this unique financial partnership with Interscope and Nomura Babcock &

Brown and feel it will result in an increased flow of quality motion pictures."

Ted Field, chairman of Interscope, called the joint venture a "huge step forward for our company. Having successfully produced seventeen movies over the past four years, we feel ready to increase our involvement beyond producing to encompass an equity stake." Cort added, "Our time-tested relationship with Disney with its very equitable and reasonable give-and-take, gives us great confidence for the success of the joint venture."

Tsunoda of Nomura Babcock & Brown commented, "We are very happy as this deal provides us with the best and strongest combination of Disney as a studio/distribution organization and Interscope as a producer. We are confident that this is a good deal for our investors."

Koffey of Babcock & Brown said, "The joint venture with Disney provides our investors with an extraordinary opportunity. We had surveyed leading production companies and determined that Interscope, based on personnel and track record, offered our investors the optimum combination of creative talent fiscal responsibility and production acumen as our film partner. The arrangement Interscope has concluded with Disney is early evidence that we made the right choice."

Nomura Babcock & Brown was founded jointly by Nomura Securities Co., Ltd., Japan's largest securities firm, and Babcock & Brown, a leading U.S. investment banking firm, in March 1988. This combination enables Nomura Babcock & Brown to introduce Japanese investors and business managers to international investment opportunities and the latest financing methods.

Babcock & Brown is a San Francisco-based company that arranges asset-based financings worldwide. Including its affiliates, Babcock & Brown arranged financing for $8.5 billion in assets in 1989 and projects a $9 billion activity for 1990.

Interscope is an independently-financed supplier of product for the motion picture, television, cable and videocassette marketplace. The company is privately owned by Ted Field who founded it in 1982. Robert W. Cort joined Interscope in 1985 as president and chief operating officer.

Interscope has produced a number of highly-successful feature films in the last six years. "Three Men and a Baby," starring Tom Selleck, Ted Danson and Steve Guttenberg, "Cocktail," starring Tom Cruise, and "Outrageous Fortune," starring Bette Midler and Shelly Long, were all released by Touchstone Pictures. "Three Men and a Little Lady," the sequel to "Three Men and a Baby " which is currently in post-production, will also be released by Touchstone Pictures later this year. "Bird on a Wire," the 1990 summer smash Interscope-produced film starring Mel Gibson and Goldie Hawn, was released by Universal. "Revenge of the Nerds" and its sequel, "Revenge of the Nerds II," were released by Twentieth Century Fox, as will be the upcoming "Class Action

" starring Gene Hackman and Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio. Interscope's surprise comedy hit of 1989, "Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure," which was released by Orion, further evidences the company's unique success with comedies. Production starts on January 3rd on the sequel, "Bill and Ted go to Hell."

Interscope movies have collectively grossed over three quarters of a billion dollars of box office gross worldwide. In addition, Interscope currently has forty-five projects in active development, twenty-five of these are in conjunction with the major studios, sixteen of those with Disney.

The Walt Disney Studios is a business segment of The Walt Disney Company.

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#90256p4284 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MI (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Manatron, Inc. (NASDAQ: MANA) today announced a 167-percent rise in net income along with a moderate 2-percent increase in net revenues for its first quarter ended July 31, 1990.

The company reported revenues of $2,129,219 for the quarter just ended compared to $2,092,121 in the year earlier quarter. Operating income was $50,623, vs. a $21,021 loss -- an improvement of more than $71,000.

Net income was $96,817, or five cents a share, vs. $36,234, or two cents a share. Affecting net income in the recent quarter was $96,194 of other income primarily interest earned on investments, compared to $73,255 in the year earlier quarter. Income taxes were recorded at the 34 percent statutory rate in this quarter as opposed to 31 percent a year ago.

There were 2,130,944 weighted average shares outstanding in the recent quarter compared to 2,114,674 weighted average shares in the year earlier.

"This quarter's results attest to many of Manatron's strengths," said Allen F. Peat, chairman and president. "The nature of our business means we are generally able to grow profits faster than revenues. Our gross profit margin expanded this quarter to 49 percent from 42 percent as we restructured our product mix. Also, our improving cash position means that we are generating additional interest income.

"We are, however, using our strong financial position to maintain a fairly high level of investment in marketing and advertising. We have continued to expand and improve profitable services for our customer base," Peat continued.

"A recent move to improve customer service is our newly created Map Lab which consolidates all information and personnel supporting our Geographic Information System. Users call directly to the Map Lab for any kind of support. This has been so successful that we expect to move toward this lab concept for other major systems.

"A new agreement with Endata, Inc., Nashville, Tenn., gives Manatron the ability to market state of the art laser printing, bar encoding and microfilming services. This means that government can be more efficient in areas such as the processing and storage of property tax bills, voter records or other important documents. We will market this process to the public sector in areas served by our national sales offices," said Peat.

"Our financial condition is still solid as we balance investment for growth and maintain the financial strength we believe is important. Working capital of $4.5 million on July 31, was up from $4.2 million on April 30. Book value per share stood at $2.79, higher than today's stock price which we believe

represents an opportunity for the long term investor," Peat said.

"As we are now into the second quarter, our confidence that we will continue to meet growth targets is strengthened," he concluded.

Manatron designs, markets, installs and maintains advanced computer based turnkey data processing systems for local governments, using its own specialized proprietary software and hardware from leading manufacturers.

MANATRON, INC.
STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	Three Months Ended July 31, 1990	
Net revenues	$2,129,219	$2,092,121
Cost of revenues	1,076,895	1,219,017
Gross profit	1,052,324	873,104
Operating expenses	1,001,701	894,125
Operating income	50,623	(21,021)
Other income	96,194	73,255
Pretax income	146,817	52,234
Income tax expense	50,000	16,000
Net income	$ 96,817	$ 36,234
Earnings per share	$ 0.05	$ 0.02
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,130,944	2,114,674

BALANCE SHEET HIGHLIGHTS

Current assets	$7,479,132
Property & equipment, net	565,641
Other assets	1,347,677
Total	$9,392,450
Current liabilities	$2,999,219
Deferred taxes	398,000
Long term debt	50,000
Shareholders' equity	5,945,231
Total	$9,392,450

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#90256p4286 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Publishers Equipment Corp. today announced a net loss of ($1,993,000) for the second quarter of 1990 on revenues of $28,703,000. These results compare to net income of $634,000 on revenues of $15,238,000 for the second quarter of 1989. Net loss for the first six months

of 1990 totalled ($3,152,000), compared to net income of $966,000 for the first half of 1989.

PUBLISHER'S EQUIPMENT CORP.

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$28,703	$15,238	$46,157	$27,691
Net income	$(1,993)	$ 634	$(3,152)	$ 966
Earnings (loss) per common share	$ (.42)	$ .14	$ (.66)	$ .22
Average shares outstanding	4,774,722	4,385,003	4,766,408	4,383,167

In announcing the second quarter results, Evans Kostas, chairman and chief executive officer, cited the continued slow-down in the printing equipment markets served by the company and noted that the company is taking appropriate steps to reduce operating expenses.

Publishers Equipment Corp., a Dallas-based public company, specializes in the design, manufacture, and marketing of web-fed presses and associated auxiliary equipment through its subsidiaries Motter Corp., King Press Corp., Solna Web AB and Solna Web Inc.

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#90256p4293 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Renault Vehicules Industriels S.A. (RVI) announced today that the shareholder class actions that had been brought challenging RVI's offer to acquire all of the common stock of Mack Trucks, Inc. (NASDAQ: MACK) not owned directly or indirectly by RVI have been settled.

RVI and the other defendants to these actions have entered into a memorandum of understanding setting forth the terms of a settlement of the litigation. The shareholder class actions had previously been consolidated for discovery and pre-trial purposes in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. The settlement is subject to consummation of the offer, final court approval of the settlement, and dismissal of the consolidation action with prejudice.

The offer is being made by ITM Acquisition Corp., an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of RVI. On Sept. 6, 1990, RVI announced that it had entered into an agreement with Mack to acquire all of the common stock of Mack not owned directly or indirectly by it at an offer price of $6.25 per share, net to the seller in cash.

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#90256p4295 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. car and truck manufacturers planned to produce 214,133 vehicles this week, up 20.3 percent from last week's actual output of 177,973 during the Labor Day-shortened workweek, Ward's Automotive Reports said today.

Ward's added that this week's scheduled vehicle production is up 1.4 percent from the 1989 same-week build of 211,051.

Scheduled U.S. car production for this week is 136,828 units, bringing the year-to-date estimate for 1990 to 4,351,620, 88.7 percent of like-1989's output of 4,908,460 cars, according to Ward's.

U.S. truck output for this week is estimated at 77,305, up from last week's build of 66,100, Ward's said. Estimated year-to-date truck output through the end of this week is 2,766,616, 92.6 percent of year-ago's total of 2,989,109.

Of this week's estimated U.S. car output, General Motors Corp.'s share was 47.6 percent; Ford Motor Co., 19.1 percent; Chrysler Corp. 13.0 percent; Honda of America Mfg. Inc., 6.2 percent; Toyota Motor Mfg. USA Inc., 3.2 percent; Diamond-Star Motors Corp., 3.0 percent; Mazda Motor Mfg. (USA) Corp., 3.0 percent; New United Motor Mfg. Inc., 2.9 percent; Nissan Motor Mfg. Corp., 1.4 percent; and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc., 0.6 percent.

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#90256p4296 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Immune Response Inc. (OTC) announced that it has extended the exercise term of its Class A and Class B warrants, set to expire on Sept. 16, 1990, for a period of six months.

Accordingly, each Class A common stock purchase warrant is exercisable at $.015 per share until 5 p.m., mountain time on March 16, 1991. Each Class B common stock purchase warrant is exercisable at 2 cents per share until 5 p.m. mountain time on Mar. 16, 1991.

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#90256p4297 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
DETROIT (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors and the International Union of Electronic Workers (IUE) announced today that they have agreed to extend their present labor agreement beyond the Sept. 14, 1990, expiration date so that bargainers could continue negotiating a new National Agreement and local supplemental agreements.

GM Vice President Alfred S. Warren Jr. and IUE-GM Conference Board Chairman Frank A. Sollitto said the contract extension could be canceled by either party following a written three-day notice.

The IUE represents more than 24,000 GM hourly employees at facilities in Warren, Dayton, Kettering, and Moraine, all in Ohio; Rochester, N.Y.; New Brunswick, N.J.; and Clinton and Brookhaven, Miss.

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#90256p4301 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOSTON (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of PaineWebber Independent Living Mortgage Fund, Inc., today announced the declaration of a dividend of $.25 per share of common stock, payable on Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 28, 1990. This dividend equates to a 10 percent annualized rate of return and is the fifth consecutive quarter for which this dividend will be paid.

PaineWebber Independent Living Mortgage Fund, Inc.'s objectives are to make first mortgage loans that will provide current income, preserve and protect capital, and to maximize dividends through participation in annual gross revenues and the appreciation of the real estate securing the loans. The loans will be secured by rental housing complexes designed for independent senior citizens.

The fund has invested in six participating mortgage loans and has approved a seventh loan for an additional property. The fund's portfolio of properties is performing ahead of schedule. Two existing properties, Crowne Pointe in Omaha, Neb., and Sedgwick Plaza, in Wichita, Kan., were acquired by Angeles Housing Concepts in March 1990 from the Heritage Corporation. Since acquisition, Angeles Housing marketing efforts have increased occupancy at Crowne Pointe from 95 percent to 100 percent plus a 6 percent wait list and at Sedgwick Plaza from 82 percent to 95 percent. Independence Villages in East Lansing, Mich., and in Winston-Salem, N.C., are in their lease-up phase and their leasing is currently on schedule with 78 and 68 leased units, respectively. Two Independence Villages are under construction in Peoria, Ill. and Raleigh, N.C. Pre-leasing activity has been excellent in Peoria with 33.5 percent pre-leased with an October opening scheduled. Raleigh is 16

percent pre-leased and is scheduled to open in December. Crowne Villa in Omaha is scheduled to begin construction soon.

John S. Moody, president of PaineWebber Properties, which acts as advisor to PaineWebber Independent Living Mortgage Fund, Inc., said: "After thorough research, we recognized a compelling demographic phenomena -- the aging of America -- and the need for quality senior rental housing at moderate prices. We elected to form our REIT to provide funding to the senior housing industry with the belief that this format would allow our clients to capitalize on the dynamic growth of this industry. Angeles Housing Concepts was chosen as the borrower and manager of the senior housing properties financed by the REIT because of their preeminence in the senior housing market and their experienced senior management team. PaineWebber Independent Living Mortgage Fund's performance confirms our convictions. We are very pleased with its performance."

CONTACT: Anthony C. Perkins, senior vice president of PaineWebber Properties, 617-439-8122

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#90256p4303 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Fidelity National Financial, Inc. (AMEX: FNF), a leading title insurance underwriter, today reported an 11 percent increase in net income.

For the quarter, net income was $1,850,000 or $.59 per share, as compared to $1,669,000 or $.50 per share, recorded for the comparable fiscal 1989 quarter. Revenues for the quarter were $46,863,000, up 3 percent from the $45,560,000 in revenues for the prior-year third quarter.

Net income for the nine months of 1990 increased 41 percent to $3,622,000 or $1.10 per share, versus $2,561,000, or $.72 per share, for the first nine months of fiscal 1989. Revenues for the nine-month period were $133,942,000, up 15 percent from the $116,639,000 recorded for the year earlier nine-month period.

William P. Foley, II, president and chief executive officer, said: "Third quarter earnings continued strong despite modest revenue growth in the latest quarter." Foley emphasized that Fidelity continued to focus on its direct operations, which accounted for $111,794,000 in revenues for the nine months ended July 31, 1990, up 19 percent over the $94,244,000 in the prior year's nine months. Similarly, Foley added, the company has continued to decrease the number of its independent agents and has concentrated on larger and more established agents.

The company's fourth quarter outlook remains positive despite a softening real estate market in some areas of California. Foley stated that strong markets

in Northern California, the Central Valley region of California, Oregon and Texas should maintain overall company profitability.

Fidelity National Financial, Inc., issues title insurance and performs other title-related services in 31 states and the District of Columbia.

CONTACT: Frank P. Willey, executive vice president and general counsel of Fidelity National Financial, 714-852-9770, or Cindy Knoebel, 212-661-8030, or Holly Goldin, 312-266-7800, both of the Financial Relations Board, for Fidelity National Financial

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#90256p4304 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Government has awarded Trans World Airlines an exclusive one-year contract, with a two-year extension option, to train all Air Force One B-747 pilots, TWA announced today.

Effective Oct. 1, the contract will include flight crew training at New York's Kennedy Airport. Air Force One pilots will complete TWA's standard 747 training course, which includes a 69-hour ground school course and 16 hours of simulator.

Besides having trained pilots on the former Air Force One B-707 during the late '60s and early '70s, TWA currently trains all E-4B (a military 747) pilots.

TWA's primary flight operations training facility is located in St. Louis with additional facilities in New York and Kansas City.

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#90256p4313 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWPORT BEACH, CA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - J.M. Peters Co. Inc. (AMEX: JMP) today reported second quarter financial results for the period ended Aug. 31, 1990.

For the second quarter, revenue from housing sales was $51.1 million, compared to the $56.6 million reported for the corresponding period of fiscal 1990.

The decline in revenues resulted in net loss for the second quarter of $451,000, or a loss of $.03 per share on 13,980,000 shares outstanding, compared to net income of $3.5 million, or $.25 per share on 13,980,000 shares outstanding, for the prior year's comparable period.

For fiscal 1991's second quarter, the company reported new orders (homes

contracted for sale less cancellations), for 79 homes. At Aug. 31, 1990, the company's backlog was 197 homes valued at $79.0 million. For the same period of the prior year, the company recorded new orders for 322 homes, with a backlog consisting of 552 homes valued at $236.8 million.

The company's second quarter financial results are reflective of the continued downturn in sales for single family move-up market housing in most areas of Southern California. The company's fiscal 1991 second quarter results were also negatively impacted by increased finance and marketing costs on inventory homes and land in various stages of development.

Gross profit percentages on housing sales for the second quarter were 14.8 percent, versus 19.7 percent for the comparable period of fiscal 1990.

J.M. Peters Co. Inc. with total assets in excess of $565 million, is one of Southern California's premier builders of homes for the "move-up" market -- upper income buyers who have previously owned a principal residence. The company, which operates in Orange County, Calif., and adjacent counties, closed 775 homes in fiscal 1990.

CONTACT: J.M. Peters Co. Inc., 714-854-2500

-30- 2033

#90256p4315 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLENDALE, CA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - In a limited portion of the Western states only, Carnation Company has completed the voluntary withdrawal from all retail stores of all Contadina Seasoned Bread Crumbs when two 9-ounce containers of one production code were found to contain a single fragment of glass.

This is a precautionary measure. There has been no report of any injury, or fragments in any other containers by consumers.

Produced by Quality Bakery Products Inc., Detroit, Mich., the first five characters of the single production code are LD013 located on the bottom of the container. Distribution was limited to Southern California, Nevada, Arizona, Albuquerque and El Paso. No other areas, codes or Contadina products are involved.

New stocks are currently being placed on store shelves and the process is expected to be completed shortly.

Any consumers with the product bearing the code involved are asked to return the product to their grocery store for a replacement or full refund.

CONTACT: Dick Curd of Carnation Co., 818-549-6251

-30- 1251
#90256p4319 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
BENSALEM, Pa. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - David Wachs, chairman and chief executive officer of Charming Shoppes Inc. (NASDAQ: CHRS), the retail women's apparel chain, announced today that the board of directors has declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of 3 cents per share, payable on Oct. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 24.

CONTACT: Bernard Brodsky, vp and treasurer of Charming Shoppes, 215-638-6719.

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#90256p4320 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
BENSALEM, PA. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - David Wachs, chairman and chief executive officer of Charming Shoppes Inc. (NASDAQ: CHRS), the retail women's apparel chain, announced today that the board of directors has declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of 3 cents per share, payable on Oct. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 24.

CONTACT: Bernard Brodsky, vp and treasurer of Charming Shoppes, 215-638-6719

-30- 596
#90256p4332 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS, (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Interphase Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: INPH) today announced record revenues of $7,501,278 for the third quarter of fiscal 1990, ending July 31, 1990. Revenues were up from $7,184,331 for the previous quarter and $5,577,050 reported for the third quarter last year. Revenues for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 increased 38 percent to $19,945,105 compared to $14,418,041 for the same period last year.

The company incurred a net loss of $2,780,298 or $0.83 per share for the third quarter of 1990 as compared to a net profit of $117,375 or $0.03 per share in the same quarter of fiscal 1989. The company's net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $3,999,813 as compared to a net profit of $223,300 for the first nine months of fiscal 1989. The loss in the third quarter is due to a combination of losses from consolidating the operations of OMNI Solutions, Inc. and a one-time write-off of assets associated with the decision to cease further operations at OMNI.

Interphase President Michael E. Cope stated, "As announced earlier this month, our third quarter figures reflect a one-time write-off of our investment in OMNI Solutions, Inc. Interphase core business remained profitable during this period, and we expect to report a profit for the fourth quarter, ending Oct. 31."

Interphase is a leading manufacturer of high performance network controllers, disk and tape controllers and SCSI host adapters for the VMEbus, EISA and Multibus markets, and the Sun Microsystems aftermarket.

CONTACT: Mark A. Floyd, vice president, finance of Interphase, 214-919-9000

-30- 1783

#90256p4333 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

GARDENA, CA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - American Honda Motor Co. Inc. today announced first 10-day sales figures for Sept. 13, 1990, for domestic-built automobiles:

HONDA DIVISION

	1990	1989
Domestic Total	10,234	5,412
Civic	2,409	2,458
Accord	7,825	2,954
Domestic Year-to-Date	337,769	269,299
Civic	142,317	119,608
Accord	195,452	149,691

CONTACT: Kurt Antonius of American Honda Motor Co. Inc., 213-604-2584

-30- 819

#90256p4335 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST PALM BEACH, FL (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Dycom Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: DYCO), today reported record operating results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

Revenues for the fourth quarter increased to $39.9 million, compared with $24.2 million for the same period last year. Net income was $2.7 million, or $0.29 per share, compared with net income of $1.2 million, or $0.17 per share, a year earlier.

Revenues for the full fiscal year amounted to $166.7 million, a 39 percent increase over the $119.9 million revenue reported in fiscal 1989. Net income was $9.6 million, or $1.10 a share compared with the prior year's $5.6 million or $0.81 a share. These numbers reflect the 3-for-2 stock split which was effective Aug. 22, 1990.

Commenting on fourth quarter and year end results, Thomas R. Pledger, president and CEO said, "We are extremely pleased with fiscal 1990's record performance. We are now well positioned to capitalize on the rapid growth and expansion of markets in the fiber optics and telecommunications industries, and look forward to another year of continued growth and profitability."

Today, the company announced that its common stock will commence trading on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol DY, beginning Sept. 24, 1990.

Dycom provides fiber optic transmission systems and master contract installation services to the telecommunications industry. The company operates nationwide through wholly owned subsidiaries.

CONTACT: Thomas R. Pledger, president and CEO of Dycom Industries, 407-659-6301, or Cynthia A. Bond of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545 for Dycom

-30- 1819

#90256p4338 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAYNE, PA. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - 202 Data Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: TOOT) reported a loss for the nine months ended July 31, 1990, of $56,587 or $.02 per share as compared to a net profit of $175,547 or $.05 per share for the first nine months of the previous year.

The loss is primarily the result of the company's acquisition by its wholly owned subsidiary, Nurion Industries Inc., of substantially all of the assets of Nurion Inc. and its investment in that subsidiary to upgrade current product technology and develop new products. Nurion Industries Inc. specializes in the design and manufacture of proprietary products for the blind and visually impaired.

202 DATA SYSTEMS
(Unaudited)

Nine months ended July 31	1990	1989
Total revenues	$229,200	$400,080
Net income (loss)	(56,587)	175,547
Primary and fully diluted earnings (loss) per share	($.02)	$.05
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	3,368,443	3,368,443
Three months ended July 31	**1990**	**1989**
Total revenues	$89,945	$173,731
Net income (loss)	(36,255)	60,284
Primary and fully diluted earnings (loss) per share	($.01)	$.02
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	3,368,443	3,368,443

CONTACT: Bill Rosen of 202 Data Systems, 215-647-2700

-30- 1685

#90256p4348 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MICH. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) has

notified dealers that it has increased the manufacturer's suggested retail prices on its 1991 cars by an average of 1.9 percent over comparably equipped 1990 models, and the 1991 models introduced earlier this year.

"We have held down price increases on our new cars as much as possible, only partially recovering increasing costs, to give the best value to our customers " said Robert L. Rewey, vice president - North American Sales Operations. "We believe potential customers in this highly competitive market will recognize that many of our products are priced hundreds of dollars below the major competition.

"The early reaction to our 1991 models has been very good and we believe these highly competitive price positions will reinforce their outstanding overall value."

Prices are effective Sept. 17 for all 1991 cars except Ford Escort and Crown Victoria, and Mercury Tracer and Grand Marquis; price increases for these cars are effective Sept. 27.

CONTACT: David Krupp of Ford, 313-337-3864

-30- 1260

#90256p4349 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOKFIELD, WI. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Bando McGlocklin Capital Corporation (NASDAQ: BMCC), a small business investment company, announced today that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a public offering of 1.2 million shares of common stock. The shares to be offered will consist entirely of newly issued primary shares.

The shares will be offered by Dain Bosworth Incorporated and Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated pursuant to the Prospectus filed as part of the Registration Statement. The net proceeds will be initially used to reduce amounts owing on the company's outstanding line of credit, if any, and then to reduce outstanding commercial paper. Bando McGlocklin will make additional secured loans to small businesses with the increase in available funds.

Bando McGlocklin provides secured financing to small businesses and is a Federal Licensee under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958.

CONTACT: Cynthia Garland of Garland Public Relations, 617-522-7708 or 414-964-0126, for Bando McGlocklin

-30- 1247

#90256p4350 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A. Inc., today announced combined domestic Corolla and Camry sales of 3,277 (1,307

Corollas and 1,970 Camrys) for the first 10 days of September, compared to last year's figure of 1,917 (749 Corollas and 1,168 Camrys).

Toyota's calendar year-to-date domestic sales total 248,360 versus 136,511 sold a year ago.

CONTACT: Mindy Geller or Christi Abe of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A. Inc., Torrance, Calif., 213-618-5204/5297

-30- 643

#90256p4353 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PONTIAC, MI (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Spurred by record Sunbird and Grand Am sales and a strong performance by Firebird, Pontiac Division posted a 42.7-percent sales increase for the Sept. 1-10 period, compared with the same period last year.

Pontiac dealers delivered 18,217 vehicles in the early September period, compared with 12,764 units in the comparable period in 1989.

On a year-to-year basis, Sunbird continues to pace Pontiac with record sales of 4,759 units in the Sept. 1-10 period -- an increase of 181 percent over last year. Though there are two more 10-day reporting periods in the 1990 model year, Pontiac dealers have already delivered more than 6,500 1991 model Sunbirds. For the model year, Sunbird sales are up 18 percent.

Grand Am sales for the 10-day period also were a record 6,161 units, up 35 percent over the year-ago period. Similar to Sunbird, Pontiac dealers are delivering 1991 models with 8,200 sold through Sept. 10.

Firebird sales increased 27 percent from last year's Sept. 1-10 period, while LeMans was up 14.4 percent and Grand Prix 7.5 percent.

CONTACT: Reg Harris of Pontiac Division, 313-857-1572

-30- 1333

#90256p4355 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

FOSTER CITY, CA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Applied Biosystems Inc. (ABI) (NASDAQ: ABIO) today announced plans to relocate its liquid chromatography components operation from New Jersey to California. As a result of costs related to this action, ABI expects to record a one-time pre-tax charge of approximately $5 million in its first quarter ending Sept. 28, 1990.

ABI expects the consolidation to be completed by early 1991. Management believes this consolidation will enable ABI to enhance its ability to support its customer base, more effectively coordinate new product development efforts and improve its overall cost structure.

The research and development, marketing, manufacturing, and support functions for liquid chromatography components located in Ramsey, N.J., will be merged with ABI's other bioseparations business in San Jose, Calif. The one-time charge is primarily due to severance costs and the relocation of certain employees and assets. The operation in New Jersey currently employs 113 people.

Applied Biosystems Inc. is a leading supplier of systems and services for life science research and related applications.

CONTACT: G. Bradley Cole of Applied Biosystems Inc., 415-570-6667

-30- 1397

#90256p4357 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Largo Entertainment has announced that "Riders on the Storm," currently filming in Los Angeles under the direction of Kathryn Bigelow and starring Patrick Swayze, Keanu Reeves, Gary Busey and Lori Petty, has been retitled "Point Break." The film is being distributed by Twentieth Century Fox.

In "Point Break," young FBI agent Johnny Utah (Keanu Reeves), investigating a string of near-perfect bank robberies, goes undercover among the maverick fringe who surf the Southern California beaches. Locked in a psychological tug-of-war with Bodhi (Patrick Swayze), his charismatic prey, Utah discovers that if you want the ultimate thrill, you have to pay the ultimate price.

"Point Break" is the first film in production from Largo Entertainment headed by Lawrence Gordon, chairman and chief executive officer. A Kathryn Bigelow Film, "Point Break" is directed by Bigelow, from a screenplay co-written by Bigelow and executive producer James Cameron, from a screenplay by W. Peter Iliff, based on an original story by Iliff and Rick King. The film's producers are Peter Abrams and Robert L. Levy.

Largo Entertainment is a joint venture between Lawrence Gordon and JVC Entertainment Inc. that develops, produces, finances and distributes theatrical motion pictures for all markets throughout the world.

CONTACT: Terry Clifford of 20th Century Fox, 213-203-2497; or Mark Pogachefsky for 20th Century Fox, 213-278-7955

-30- 1643

#90256p4366 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PINELLAS PARK, FL (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The next generation of recycling systems was unveiled today when officials of Waste Management of North America Inc. (NYSE: WMX) formally dedicated the company's Suncoast Recycle America

Center.

The plant, a processing center for recyclables, features a "super sorter" that separates recyclable materials faster and more efficiently than traditional manual methods.

The advanced sorting machine is called the BRINI classifier. The classifier is part of a waste recovery and recycling system that Waste Management Inc. owns.

"Built for the future" is how Rick Justice, Suncoast's general manager, describes the machine. "It gives us the flexibility to respond to the dynamics of the recycling industry. We can process a greater variety of materials, in larger quanities, and in less time."

Suncoast is the first facility of its kind in the country to employ the BRINI technology in its operation.

Suncoast is what's known in the recycling industry as a MRF. The acronym, pronounced "murf," stands for materials recovery facility. Papers, plastics, metals and glass recovered from household and business recycling programs are sorted at a MRF and prepared for shipment to manufacturers.

For most MRFs to work, any newspapers that are collected from residential programs must first be isolated from other recyclables. (To be marketable, used papers must follow a different "path" in the sorting process from glass, metals and plastics.) Normally, the papers must be separated either at the pickup point -- by the householder or the collector -- or by the workers at the processing center.

At Suncoast, the BRINI classifier eliminates this time-consuming step. The machine does it, instead.

CONTACT: Lynda Long, region director-corporate and public affairs of Waste Management of North America Inc., 305-771-9850

-30- 2066

#90256p4367 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI, (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR) announced today that the holders of certain notes who had previously agreed to defer payments due such holders from Aug. 23, 1990, to Sept. 13, 1990, have agreed to extend the deferment to Sept. 28, 1990 to enable Jacor to continue discussions with such holders and other creditors to restructure Jacor's obligations.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, currently owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta,

Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

CONTACT: R. Christopher Weber or Jon M. Berry, 513-621-1300, both of Jacor Communications, Inc.

-30- 967

#90256p4368 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLAINS, PA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Magic Years Child Care and Learning Centers Inc. (NASDAQ: KIDS), today reported operating revenues of $4,039,674 for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

This performance represents a 9 percent advance from the same period in 1989. Magic Years net loss for the six months ended June 30, 1990, was $146,895 which compares to a net loss of $353,619 for the same six- month period of 1989. As a percentage of sales, the net loss declined from 9.5 percent in the first half of 1989 to 3.6 percent for the first six months of 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, Magic Years revenues totaled $2,024,941, an 8 percent gain from the $1,876,835 recorded in the same period a year ago. The loss for the second quarter decreased to $80,899 (4 percent of revenues) compared to $290,213 (15 percent of revenues) in the second quarter of 1989. General and administrative expense decreased from $588,938 (16 percent of revenues) to $448,841 (11 percent of revenues) in the six months ended June 30, 1990.

Discussions continue to proceed toward a merger agreement with Children's Discovery Centers of America Inc., notwithstanding the expiration of the letter of intent on Aug. 15, 1990.

MAGIC YEARS CHILD CARE AND LEARNING CENTERS INC.

Six months ended June 30	1990	1989
Operating data:		
Operating revenues	$4,039,674	$3,708,749
Operating profit	407,177	306,769
Net loss	(146,895)	(353,619)
Per-share data:		
Loss per common share	($.09)	($.22)
Weighted average common shares	1,717,475	1,606,624

CONTACT: John F. Patton, controller of Magic Years, 717-825-5437

-30- 1901

#90256p4375 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Commenting on Tuesday's announced August sales figures for Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ: GROS), Jay Shidler of the

Shidler/Holman Group issued the following statement:

"Grossman's August sales decline was no surprise to us. Wall Street has already voted on management's 'merchandise intensification program' with a $3 share price. More importantly, unless immediate steps are taken to redirect Grossman's operating strategy, we believe the decline will continue.

"We believe that choice facing stockholders is clear, a vote for the Shidler/Holman Group, who is committed to a turnaround of Grossman's and a higher stock price, or a vote for the status quo which is not working."

The Shidler/Holman Group is leading a stockholder consent solicitation to replace Grossman's current board of directors with its own nominees. The group has been the beneficial owner of more than 1.2 million shares of Grossman's stock for the past year and eight months. The group previously made proposals to acquire all of the company's common shares on June 9, 1989, for $10.25 per share and 83 percent of the common shares for $9 on Oct. 21, 1989.

CONTACT: Ian Killips of the Shidler/Holman Group, 808-531-3000, or Jennifer Wall or Richard De May, of D.F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for the Shidler/Holman Group

-30- 1519

#90256p4378 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - As reported on Sept. 4, 1990, Sanifill Inc. (AMEX: FIL) completed five acquisitions, four of which will be accounted for as poolings-of-interests requiring the restatement of previously reported consolidated results as follows (in thousands except earnings per share).

SANIFILL INC.

	For the six months ended June 30,		For the year ended Dec. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$19,377	$12,923	$29,392	$23,674
Earnings from Continuing operations	3,409	1,446	3,859	2,343
Net income	3,409	(388)	2,025	1,457
Earnings per share:				
Continuing operations	$ 0.37	$ 0.17	$ 0.44	$ 0.27
Net income	$ 0.37	$ (0.04)	$ 0.23	$ 0.17

One of the acquired companies discontinued its aggregate crushing and washing operations in June 1989. A plan of liquidation was adopted anticipating completion of the phase out of the aggregate business in 1990. Sanifill has terminated negotiations on a previously announced letter of intent.

Sanifill Inc., headquartered in Houston, is an environmental services company

specializing in nonhazardous waste disposal.

CONTACT: Al Warrington or John Sanders both of Sanifill Inc., 713-865-9800

-30- 1605

#90256p4379 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Rolls-Royce Turbomeca RTM322 helicopter engine has gained its U.K. military type approval certificate, allowing it to be used in the EH101 helicopter.

Type approval is a significant achievement in the RTM322 development program, proving that the Anglo-French engine meets all the certification requirements of the British Ministry of Defense.

More than 10,000 hours test running have been completed on RTM322 engines in Britain and France. Installation design work is now being undertaken by Rolls-Royce Turbomeca in preparation for engines to be fitted to PP4, the EH101 pre-production aircraft being used for engine integration work.

Rolls-Royce Turbomeca aims to obtain civil certification of the engine during 1991 as the next step towards RTM322 becoming the standard powerplant for all civilian and military EH101 customers, as well as the new NH90 military helicopter.

Rolls-Royce is a world leader in the design, development and manufacture of civil and military aviation, marine and industrial gas turbine engines.

CONTACT: Robert Stangarone, 703-318-9002, Dick Dalton, 703-318-9005, both of Rolls-Royce

-30- 1349

#90256p4380 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - PacTel Cellular has purchased an additional 35 percent ownership interest in the Athens, Ga. market area.

PacTel acquired the interest for $2.781 million from General Cellular Corp., which was the largest remaining minority shareholder in the Athens market.

Industry studies estimate the population of the Athens metropolitan statistical area (MSA) at 144,000.

The purchase increases PacTel's ownership share in the market to 85.09 percent. The company previously held a 50.01 percent ownership interest.

Don Harris, vice president for corporate development for Irvine- based PacTel Cellular, said the purchase helps bolster PacTel's position in the Georgia

marketplace.

"The Athens and Atlanta areas are a good market for cellular. The purchase gave us the opportunity to consolidate our interest at an attractive price," Harris said.

In addition to owning a cellular system in neighboring Atlanta, PacTel Cellular also operates systems in Los Angeles, San Diego, San Francisco, San Jose, Sacramento and Detroit, serving some 450,000 customers.

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, a worldwide diversified telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

CONTACT: Michael Runzler of PacTel, 714-222-7113

-30- 1476
#90256p4383 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Pratt & Whitney is developing a new burner for its JT8D engine family which will enable airline operators to meet increasingly tougher environmental standards worldwide.

The advanced technology burner is expected to reduce oxides of nitrogen (NOx) by up to 25 percent of current JT8D levels, and hydrocarbons (HC) and carbon monoxide (CO) emissions each by up to 65 percent -- all well below the emissions levels standard set by the International Civil Aviation Organization (71-76.5 g/kN for NOx, 19.6 g/kN for HC and 118 g/kN for Co).

The burner will be a single annular design, replacing the nine can-annular configuration on the current JT8D and JT8D-200 models. It incorporates burner and fuel system technology used in Pratt & Whitney's higher bypass engines. The result is a more efficient combustion process, producing significantly less NOx, HC and CO emissions.

The annular design, with more than twice the number of burning zones as current JT8Ds, results in a quieter engine.

The advanced technology burner is scheduled to be certified by the Federal Aviation Administration in mid-1993.

The JT8D, legendary in the industry for its excellent reliability record, powers more than half the world's transports. More than 13,500 JT8Ds are in service with some 350 operators around the globe.

Pratt & Whitney is an operating unit of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX) of Hartford, Conn.

CONTACT: Peggy Ford of Pratt & Whitney, 203-565-9600

-30- 1711

#90256p4384 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Philip Morris International today announced that it will supply the Russian Republic with the largest single export order in the company's history. A total of over 20 billion cigarettes will be shipped by year-end 1991. Shipments will commence by the end of September 1990.

Cigarettes produced for Russia will be manufactured in Philip Morris factories in the United States and in other manufacturing facilities around the world.

Philip Morris International also announced the signing of two protocols. One provides for the continuing supply of significant quantities of cigarettes to the Russian Republic for the period 1992 to 1995. The second provides for long-term cooperation with the state agencies of both the USSR and the Russian Republic in developing the Soviet cigarette industry.

Russian officials asked for Marlboro and other Philip Morris brands to satisfy consumer demand. Marlboro is the best-selling cigarette in the world and the most popular international brand in the Soviet Union.

"This export order continues our tradition of trade with the Soviet Union that first began almost 20 years ago," said Aleardo G. Buzzi, Philip Morris International's president and chief executive officer. "The Soviet Union is the third-largest cigarette market in the world, and we are pleased to help satisfy the Russian consumers' pent-up demand. We are delighted to extend our concrete assistance to the Soviet Union," he notes.

Philip Morris International accounts for nearly 60 percent of United States cigarette exports. All told, tobacco exports brought the United States $5 billion in 1989. For the first six months of 1990, total industry cigarette exports increased more than 14 percent. Philip Morris exports through August 1990 are up 20 percent. The 1990 and 1991 export orders and the protocols further assure Philip Morris International's future of continued growth.

Philip Morris International Inc. is a subsidiary of Philip Morris Companies Inc. (NYSE: MO) whose products are sold in more than 170 countries and territories. Philip Morris International exports cigarettes around the world. It manufactures and markets the company's products through affiliates and licensees in 57 countries and territories.

CONTACT: John Dollisson, 212-880-3706, or Robert Kaplan,
212-880-3708, of Philip Morris International

-30- 2601

#90256p4394 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, NJ (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - GE American Communications, Inc. (GE Americom) announced today that Andreas M. Georghiou has been named director business development and marketing. In his new position, he will direct all activities related to business development and marketing functions at GE Americom, a leading provider of domestic satellite transmission services.

"Mr. Georghiou has established strong credentials in the broadcast and cable satellite markets," said W. Neil Bauer, senior vice president of commercial operations. "He also has a keen awareness of international opportunities that will be important as communications technology expands worldwide."

Georghiou has been employed within the GE/RCA businesses for 14 years. He has held management positions with corporate staff in the areas of financial and strategic planning and management information systems. Prior to this appointment Georghiou was director of business and broadcast services for GE Americom.

Georghiou received his bachelors and masters degrees in business and operations research from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, Fulbright Scholar.

Georghiou, his wife and three children reside in Holland, Pa. GE American Communications, Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of the General Electric Company (NYSE: GE). Headquartered in Princeton, GE Americom operates the nation's largest fleet of commercial satellites which includes the Satcom series of C-Band and Ku-Band satellites.

CONTACT: Susan Bennett of GE American Communications, 609-987-4202

-30- 1768

#90256p4399 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - TransTechnology Corporation (NYSE: TT) announced today that Michael A. F. Roberts, a managing director of Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co., had been elected as a new member to the board of directors of the diversified manufacturing firm. He was elected at the company's annual shareholders' meeting in New York City on Sept. 12. "We are pleased to have a person of Mr. Roberts' professional stature and personal capabilities join our board," said Chairman Dr. Arch Scurlock. "His experience and expertise will be a valuable resource."

Roberts, 48, joined Smith Barney, Harris Upham in 1969. He is currently responsible for the corporate finance activities of the firm's insurance group.

TransTechnology is a diversified manufacturer of aerospace products, advanced technology products and industrial products. Smith Barney, Harris Upham is an investment banking and brokerage firm, founded in 1873, with more than 100

offices worldwide. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of Primerica Corporation (NYSE: PA), a diversified financial services company and one of the 30 Dow Jones Industrial Average companies.

CONTACT: Lee M. Parker, vice president, investor relations, TransTechnology Corporation, 703-836-4490

-30- 1437

#90256p4404 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - At 3 p.m. (EDT) today, Dean S. Marriott, senior deputy comptroller for Bank Supervision, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), declared First National Bank of Kennedale, Kennedale, Texas (Bank), insolvent.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) was appointed as receiver. The bank received a national bank charter on June 16, 1986. The bank operated no branch offices. As of July 31, the bank had total assets of approximately $26 million.

First National Bank of Kennedale became a concern to the OCC in 1989. Problems included poor quality loans, lack of timely and adequate problem loan identification, and poor underwriting standards. The bank did not comply with board resolutions adopted to resolve earlier problems, and as a result, a formal agreement was placed upon the bank by the OCC. The bank's condition continued to worsen, and full compliance with the formal agreement was never achieved. Deterioration in the local real estate market compounded the problems and worked against recovery efforts. Eventually, losses mounted and the bank's capital funds were exhausted, resulting in insolvency.

The FDIC is expected to release additional information later today.

CONTACT: Frank Vance of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 202-447-1800.

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ELMSFORD, N.Y. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Magnetic Products Division of Fuji Photo Film U.S.A. (NASDAQ: FUJIY), Inc. announced today that it has been named the "Official Videotape of the National Football League." The announcement is part of a three-year, multi-faceted program with Fuji Tape and the National Football League.

Fuji is also the "Official Videotape" of the upcoming Super Bowls XXV, XXVI and XXVII, the AFC-NFC Pro Bowls 1991-93, along with the 28 individual NFL member clubs.

"The combination of videotape and football is a natural," said Stan Bauer, general manager of Fuji's magnetic products division. "Sporting events are the second most popular programming consumers tape off-the- air. This association with the NFL will strengthen Fuji brand loyalty more than ever.

"More than 75 million people watch NFL games each week," added Bauer. "When combining the best videotape with America's most-watched sport, you create an unbeatable marketing team."

Building on this association, Fuji will soon announce an array of consumer promotions and merchandising programs, including free-standing inserts and sweepstakes.

This partnership continues Fuji's long association with sports. Fuji currently sponsors tennis pros Stefan Edberg and Gabriela Sabatini and the U.S. Swimming Federation. Fuji was also the "Official Film" of the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics, the "Official Film" of the 1988 Paralympics in Seoul, Korea, and the "Official Film and Videotape" of Major League Baseball from 1985-1988 as well as the 1989 Pan Am Games for Physically Disabled Youth. In 1987, Fuji sponsored the America's Cup in Australia and the Second World Championships in track and field, held in Rome. Fuji was also the sponsor of the World Cup 1990 in Italy and "Official Film" of the 1990 Asian Games.

Fuji Photo Film U.S.A. Inc., is the U.S. marketing subsidiary of Fuji Photo Film Co., Ltd. of Tokyo, a leading manufacturer of imaging and information products. These include professional and consumer film and cameras, minilabs color copies, photographic paper and photofinishing supplies, professional motion picture film, professional and consumer videotape, audiocassettes, computer floppy disks, microfilm and other micrographic products, graphic arts film, plates, equipment and chemistry, a color proofing system, a monotone scanner system and reprographic films.

CONTACT: Thomas H. Shay or Herb W. Baer of Fuji Photo Film, 914-789-8145, or Matthew Afflixio or Adam Sohmer of the National Football League, 212-768-0550

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#90256p4411 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Varity Corporation (NYSE: VAT) said today it has purchased at par a total of U.S. $40.5 million of Kelsey-Hayes 13.25 per cent subordinated notes due 1992 in the past several weeks. This represents approximately 20 per cent of the 1992 notes issued in 1989 to help finance the company's acquisition of Kelsey-Hayes, of Romulus, Mich., a major supplier of automotive products.

Neil D. Arnold, senior vice president and chief financial officer, has indicated that Varity expects to reduce corporate debt by $150 million in fiscal 1990 as a major element of this program to generate value for

shareholders.

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#90256p4414 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Humana, Inc. (NYSE: HUM) and Prime Health Management Services, Inc. signed documents today to close an agreement whereby a subsidiary of Humana has acquired Prime Health's Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) in Kansas City. The agreement, which was preceded by a letter of intent signed by both parties in May, is effective today.

Under the agreement, the Humana subsidiary has assumed the operation of Prime Health HMO, which has approximately 80,000 members in Missouri and Kansas. Members' coverage will not change as a result of this acquisition through the end of their current contracts. The health care services currently available will continue from Prime Health providers.

Humana, based in Louisville, owns and operates 85 hospitals and has 1.2 million members in health benefit plans for employee groups and Medicare recipients.

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#90256p4416 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Battery Technologies Inc., (BTI) of Mississauga, Ontario took pleasure in announcing today the launch of a Canadian test marketing program for the revolutionary rechargeable alkaline manganese (RAM) battery. The initiation of this program is a direct result of the positive in-house testing conducted at BTI. The test market involves 300 test kits, containing AA batteries and chargers, and will now give the general public the opportunity to use RAM batteries for the first time. Families across Canada will use the batteries in all applications currently utilizing single use disposable batteries. This initial test market will begin this October and will be followed by a full scale consumer test marketing program scheduled for the second quarter of 1991.

In addition to consumer testing, BTI, in association with several outside companies, is also conducting tests utilizing RAM batteries in various original equipment applications. One such test uses "D" batteries in the new Bo-ox barbecue, which recently won gold and silver medals at the Paris International Fair of Inventors. RAM batteries may be the ideal battery for this innovative product because of the technologies ability to work at high temperatures, its' low self discharge rate and the cost and environmental benefits of being rechargeable. The new Bo-ox barbecue uses the "D" size

batteries to power a micro air compressor which in turn allows the Bo-ox to light instantly, become hot in less than one minute, to cook food much faster than conventional barbecues and to be fueled by only two small pieces of wood.

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#90256p4417 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Value Line, Inc. (NASDAQ: VALU) reported net income of $4,865,000 or $.49 per share as compared with a loss of $927,000 or $.09 per share in the corresponding period of the previous fiscal year.

Revenues of $16,088,000 for the three months ended July 31, 1990, were 3.1 percent above revenues recorded for the previous fiscal year. This increase is largely reflective of an increase in the Value Line Investment Survey's circulation level - a result of both increased new orders for the product and a higher renewal rate with respect to expiring subscriptions.

Jean B. Buttner, chairman and chief executive officer, said "I'm pleased to note, that despite substantially less than optimal market conditions, our first quarter's results indicate that fiscal 1991 is off to a good start. The Value Line Investment Survey, our flagship product, has performed well. Looking beyond the short-term, we are exploring opportunities for international expansion and developing products aimed at significantly increasing out penetration of the institutional markets."

VALUE LINE, INC.
CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL RESULTS
(In thousands except per share amounts)

Three months ended July 31	1990	1989
Revenues	$16,088	$15,607
Operating income (loss)	5,522	(7,088)(A)
Investment income	2,324	5,684
Income (loss) before taxes	7,846	(1,404)(A)
Net income (loss)	4,865	(927)(A)
Earnings (loss) per share	.49	(.09)(A)

(A) Includes non-recurring loss

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#90256p4418 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRINGTON PARK, N.J. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - United Water Resources (NYSE: UWR) will postpone the meeting at which shareholders will vote on the proposed purchase of the water operations and related assets of Pennsylvania

Enterprises, Inc. (PEI) and its subsidiary, Pennsylvania Gas & Water Company (PG&W). The disclosure was made today by Donald L. Correll, United Water's vice president and chief financial officer, during hearings at the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on the proposed acquisition.

Correll stated that the transaction is continuing to move forward, but said the nature and complexity of the agreement and the amount of disclosure requiring the review and clearance by the Securities and Exchange Commission have necessitated a change in the date for the shareholder meeting, originally scheduled for September 24. A new meeting date is likely to be in October or as soon as practicable thereafter, and will be announced at a future time, Correll said.

The proposed water acquisition is part of a transaction which also contemplates the merger of PEI into NUI Corporation (NUI). The Asset Purchase Agreement signed on April 23 provides for United Water's acquisition of the water operations and related assets of PEI for approximately $220 million, subject to adjustment for several factors, including among others, the level of expenditures associated with the construction program currently underway by PEI. United Water anticipates that it will require about $248.5 million to finance the acquisition.

In a related matter, United Water has been notified by the Federal Trade Commission of early termination of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, which had been one of the prerequisites for the transaction.

The consummation of the transactions is conditioned upon receipt of regulatory approvals, satisfaction or waiver of the conditions of the PEI/NUI merger agreement, approval by shareholders of PEI, PG&W and United Water, and upon certain other conditions.

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#90256p4425 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOSCOW (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - While participating in a Presidential Business Development Mission in Moscow, Sea-Land chairman and chief executive officer Alex J. Mandl announced several new cooperative initiatives between the U.S.-based global ocean carrier and Soviet transportation authorities. The initiatives build upon protocols signed in May by Sea-Land and Soviet rail sea and air authorities, strengthening Sea-Land's partnership with the Soviet Union for transportation purposes.

As a result of these developments, Sea-Land will place personnel within the Soviet Union, have space on Soviet vessels available to it, and establish

direct electronic communication between Sea-Land's Soviet agents and Sea-Land offices worldwide.

Mandl was part of a delegation of 15 CEOs from major U.S. corporations participating in a Presidential Business Development Mission to the U.S.S.R., led by Secretary of State James A. Baker III and Secretary of Commerce Robert A. Mosbacher. The mission's purpose was to demonstrate support of market economy Perestroika and President Bush's efforts to build a stronger, more active commercial relationship with the Soviet Union.

"Based on what I have learned on this visit, meeting with President Gorbachev and other top Soviet economic officials, and given the strong support of Commerce Secretary Mosbacher, Sea-Land is now prepared to move aggressively and concretely on a number of mutually beneficial Soviet ventures," Mandl said.

"Sea-Land/Soviet collaboration can help accelerate the pace of activity in world markets. Also, eventual improvements in the Soviet transportation infrastructure -- upgraded terminal facilities, communications and information linkages -- can provide important benefits to the U.S.S.R. and its ability to distribute foodstuffs, energy products and consumer goods domestically," he added.

Mandl said Sea-Land has successfully concluded Connecting Carrier Agreements with two of the major Soviet shipping companies: the Baltic Shipping Company, based in Leningrad, and Black Sea Shipping Company, headquartered in Odessa. The agreement with Baltic Shipping calls for Sea-Land to make use of space on Baltic's vessels sailing to/from points in North Europe and Leningrad. The agreement will enable Sea-Land to serve the Soviet market from Europe, the United States and other parts of the world.

Sea-Land Service Inc., a unit of CSX Corporation (NYSE: CSX), Richmond, Va., is a world leader in international intermodal freight transportation and related trade services. Sea-Land operates more than 60 container ships and 128,000 containers in the United States and foreign trade and serves 80 ports and 70 countries and territories.

CONTACT: Richard Nicholson (Moscow), 001-7-095-255-4848, or Elizabeth Gabrynowicz, 201-603-2569, both of Sea-Land

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#90256p4426 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIR LAWN, N.J. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Warner Computer Systems, Inc. (NYSE: WCP) today announced revenues and net income for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

For the three months ended July 31, 1990, the company realized record revenues of $11,861,273 as compared to $7,377,034 for the same period last year, and

net income for the three months ended July 31, 1990, of $371,685 ($0.06 per share) as compared to $634,500 ($0.10 per share) for the comparable period in 1989. For the nine months ended July 31, 1990, the company's revenues increased to $34,078,899 as compared to $18,994,602 for the comparable period of the prior fiscal year. Net income for the nine months was $1,089,657 ($0.16 per share) compared to $1,577,636 ($0.24 per share) for the comparable period of the prior fiscal year. The increases in revenues, as well as costs and expenses, were principally attributed to the company's contract with the JUA and related subcontracting costs.

On Aug. 22, 1990, Warner announced that it had reached an agreement with the New Jersey Department of Insurance to act as a servicing carrier for the Market Transition Facility of New Jersey (MTF) for a three year period starting when the MTF replaces the JUA on Oct. 1, 1990. Under the provisions of the agreement, it is expected that the number of policies the company services will increase significantly from the current level due to the termination of one of the JUA servicing carriers and Warner's award of additional policies from that carrier. This new contract, including the servicing fee for the additional policies, may result in an additional $35 to $45 million in revenues over the three year period (including fees to Warner's claims subcontractor).

Warner Computer Systems, Inc., provides administrative and data processing services to insurance companies; data bases to the financial community and investors, and sales and maintenance of microcomputers to business and professional users.

WARNER COMPUTER SYSTEMS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
July 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$11,861,273	$7,377,034	$34,078,899	$18,994,602
Costs & expenses	11,214,588	6,317,034	32,204,742	16,318,466
Inc. bef. inc. taxes	646,685	1,060,000	1,874,157	2,676,136
Income tax provision	275,000	425,500	784,500	1,098,500
Net income	371,685	634,500	1,089,657	1,577,636
Net inc. per shr.	0.06	0.10	0.16	0.24
Weighted avg. no. of common shares outstanding	6,620,000	6,632,000	6,620,000	6,627,000

CONTACT: Bradley J. Hughes, vice president - finance and administration of Warner Computer Systems, 201-794-4800

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#90256p4427 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
STATE COLLEGE, PA. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard E. Perry, chairman, president and chief executive officer of C-COR Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CCBL), today announced that COMLUX has been merged into a wholly owned subsidiary of C-COR under the name C-COR/COMLUX Inc.

In an agreement dated Dec. 1, 1989, C-COR agreed to fund the development, by COMLUX, of digital fiber optic equipment for use in CATV systems. Under the terms of the agreement, C-COR has paid COMLUX $1,000,000 to fund the development project. On June 4, 1990, C-COR exercised the option to acquire all of the outstanding shares of COMLUX in exchange for a number of shares of C-COR common stock equal to approximately 4 percent of the outstanding shares of C-COR. On Sept. 13, 1990, the merger was completed. All principals of COMLUX will remain with C-COR/COMLUX Inc.

Commenting on the merger, Perry stated, "This is an exciting time for C-COR and the entire cable industry. C-COR/COMLUX Inc. will give customers the product reliability, quality and service for which C-COR is so well known, and the innovation and experience in digital fiber optics offered by COMLUX."

Added C-COR/COMLUX President Joe Hawkins, "We're excited to become a part of the C-COR team, and together, look forward to serving the total system needs of cable operators worldwide."

C-COR, founded over 35 years ago, designs and manufactures high quality electronic equipment used in cable television and data communication systems. C-COR's headquarters is in State College, Pa., with production facilities in Tipton and State College, Pa. C-COR Electronics Canada Inc., a subsidiary of C-COR Electronics Inc., is located in Ontario, Canada, and C-COR Europe B.V., C-COR's European marketing arm, is located in The Netherlands. C-COR's common stock is listed in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CCBL.

COMLUX, founded in 1986, designs and manufactures fiber optic transmission systems and associated communications products. The company serves broadcast and cable television, research and industrial markets with high data-rate, digital systems for transmission of video, audio and data signals. COMLUX has headquarters and production facilities in Mountain View, Calif.

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#90256p4441 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOHEMIA, NY (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Symbol Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: SBL), the leading supplier of portable bar code reading equipment, announced today that the company has entered into a definitive licensing agreement with Hand

Held Products Inc. of Charlotte, N.C., a leading manufacturer of portable terminals and a long-time Symbol customer.

Under the agreement, Symbol has granted to Hand Held Products a license under certain Symbol patents to manufacture and sell a one-piece laser scanning battery-operated portable terminal for reading bar code symbols and collecting the encoded data. Symbol is presently producing and selling the scanning portion of the terminal to Hand Held Products.

The agreement calls for Symbol to receive a royalty of 7.5 percent of Hand Held Products sales of the licensed product. The agreement is non-transferable, and is similar to previous licenses on one-piece laser scanning terminals granted to Telxon Corporation and INTERMEC Corporation in previous years.

Symbol Technologies, Inc. is the world leader in bar code-based data capture systems with over one million scanners and terminals installed. The company designs, manufactures and markets bar code reading equipment, portable data terminals and radio frequency data communications products which are used as strategic building blocks in data collection systems for retail, military, manufacturing, distribution, health care and many other applications.

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#90256p4443 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HILLS, N.Y. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Pall Corporation (AMEX: PLL) today reported completing its 19th consecutive record year in sales, orders and earnings.

Sales for the year ended July 28, 1990, were $564,498,000, up 13-1/2 percent over the previous year's $496,997,000. Orders for the year were $583,300,000, up 15-1/2 percent over the previous year's $505,900,000. Earnings per share grew 14 percent to $1.72 compared to last year's $1.51 per share. Sale for the fourth quarter were $168,613,000, up 17 percent over the same period last year. Orders were $165,050,000, up 18-1/2 percent over last year. Earnings were 66 cents per share, an increase of 6-1/2 percent, compared to last year's fourth quarter earnings of 62 cents per share.

In commenting on the results, Maurice G. Hardy, president and chief executive officer, said, "The low rate of earnings increase in the fourth quarter as compared to last year's fourth quarter was mainly due to new plant start-ups in Britain and to a higher effective tax rate in 1990. Present expectation for fiscal 1991 is for sales growth of over 15 percent with somewhat higher rate of increase in earnings.

"It should also be noted that adjusted for the 1989 payment in settlement of a

patent infringement indemnity obligation (11 cents per share), and for the effect of hurricane damage in Puerto Rico on 1990 earnings (5 cents per share) earnings per share growth in 1990 over 1989 would be 9 percent rather than 14 percent."

Fourth quarter ended:	July 28, 1990	July 29, 1989	Pct. incr.
Sales	$168,613,000	$143,959,000	17
Earnings before income taxes	$ 37,366,000	$ 34,295,000	9
Earnings	$ 25,409,000	$ 23,835,000	6-1/2
Average shares outstdg.	38,644,000	38,547,000	
Earnings per share	$0.66	$0.62	6-1/2
Year ended:	July 28, 1990	July 29, 1989	Pct. incr.
Sales	$564,498,000	$496,997,000	13-1/2
Earnings before income taxes	$ 97,403,000	$ 84,069,000	16
Earnings	$ 66,235,000	$ 57,681,000	15
Average shares outstdg.	38,588,000	38,301,000	
Earnings per share	$1.72	$1.51	14

Pall Corporation is the leader in the design, production and marketing of fine disposable filters and other fluid clarification products for the Health Care, Aeropower and Fluid Processing markets. The company's shares are listed on the American Stock Exchange and the London Stock Exchange.

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#90256p4451 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - International Technology Corp. (NYSE: ITX) (IT) announced today the signing of a definitive agreement with MetaTRACE Inc. (MetaTRACE), a wholly owned subsidiary of TRC Companies Inc., to acquire certain assets of MetaTRACE's analytical laboratory located in St. Louis for $4,500,000 in cash. The acquisition, which is subject to certain conditions, including the completion of an environmental audit and survey, is expected to close by the end of the month.

MetaTRACE's laboratory performs analytical testing of hazardous and mixed waste substances. The laboratory facility encompasses 27,000 square feet of space, employs approximately 60 people and contains a complete range of analytical testing equipment. Although the laboratory was suspended by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) from participation in its Contract Laboratory Program in March 1990, IT's ability to operate the laboratory is not impacted by this USEPA action.

"MetaTRACE's mid-western location is complementary to the geographical

coverage of our existing laboratory network," said Murray H. Hutchison, chairman and chief executive officer. "This laboratory, combined with our mixed waste laboratories in Oak Ridge, Tenn. and Richland, Wash., positions IT to capture a significant share of the projected high growth mixed waste analytical market."

International Technology Corp., based in Torrance, is a leading environmental management company providing services to government and industry. The company's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ITX.

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#90256p4452 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - At 4 p.m. (EDT) today, Dean S. Marriott, senior deputy comptroller for Bank Supervision, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), declared Western National Bank of Texas, Fort Worth, Texas (Bank), insolvent.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) was appointed as receiver. The bank received a national bank charter on Jan. 3, 1983. The bank operated no branch offices. As of July 31, the bank had total assets of approximately $36 million.

Western National Bank of Texas became a concern to the OCC in 1989. Problems were the result of inadequate supervision by management and board, poor credit administration and underwriting standards, and lack of problem loan identification. The board entered into a formal agreement with the OCC on Sept. 18, 1989, which addressed the problems. Full compliance was never achieved. Deterioration in the local economy compounded the problems and worked against recovery efforts. Eventually, losses mounted and the bank's capital funds were exhausted, resulting in insolvency.

The FDIC is expected to release additional information later today.

CONTACT: Frank Vance of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 202-447-1800

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#90256p4457 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. automakers are scheduled to produce 136,978 units this week, 22.30 percent above last week's production of 111,998 and 3.18 percent below the year-ago week, Automotive News reported today.

Year-to-date U.S. car production is 4,332,987, which is 11.77 percent below

the 4,910,847 units produced at this time last year.

Domestic truck production is scheduled at 79,043 this week, which is 15.94 percent above last week's production of 68,174 and 10.49 percent above the year-ago week.

Year-to-date truck production is 2,836,599, which is 6.39 percent below last year's pace of 3,030,082.

U.S. estimated car production for this week is shared as follows: General Motors, 47.53 percent; Ford Motor Co., 19.04 percent; Chrysler Motors, 12.99 percent; Honda of America Manufacturing Inc., 6.22 percent; Toyota Motor Manufacturing, 3.20 percent; Diamond-Star Motors Corp. -- 3.02 percent; Mazda Motor Manufacturing (USA) Corp., 3.00 percent; New United Motor Manufacturing Corp., 2.92 percent; Nissan Motor Manufacturing Corp., 1.37 percent; Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc., 0.60 percent, and Saturn Corp., 0.11 percent.

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#90256p4460 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONGWOOD, FL (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - US Sage, Inc., supplier of MainLan networking products for small and medium-sized businesses, has annnounced a 10 Mbps Ethernet adaptor card for networking IBM Personal System/1 (PS/1) computers. The new card, MainLan for PS/1, fits inside the PS/1 computer to enable linkage in either peer-to-peer or file server environments. Cards are compatible with MainLan's own operating system and with Novell.

"Many companies including IBM, are recognizing the potential of the PS/1 as a cost-effective networked computer and we are the first in the world to develop a network adaptor compact enough to fit into it. Users can now have a fully networked IBM office for an unbelievably low-cost, a fact which should interest corporate users as well as our traditional small- to medium-sized business users," says US Sage, Inc. President Alex DuBrow.

The compact size of the PS/1 results from Sage's use of its proprietary "ENZO" chip in the design. The ENZO chip is a dedicated chip designed to carry out network functions normally performed by several chips, thus reducing the amount of card "real estate" required for the chip.

MainLan for PS/1 is available as part of a complete starter pack or as a separate card. The starter pack includes two 10 Mbps Ethernet cards specially designed for the PS/1 and the MainLan's peer-to-peer operating system software. The cards are also Novell- compatible. The system is designed for ease of installation and use, high performance and low RAM overhead. It occupies only 30K for conventional PC workstations, or 15K in workstations utilizing EMS. The software also runs with MicroSoft Windows(R).

List price for a PS/1 starter pack is $499. In addition to two PS/1 Ethernet cards and MainLan NetBIOS compatible system software, the starter kit includes 16.5 feet of thin coaxial cable and a detailed manual.

Purchased separately, MainLan 8-bit PS/1 Ethernet cards with Novell drivers are $199 each. MainLan 3.12, peer-to-peer operating system software for unlimited use is $199.

Users wanting to network PS/1s in a file server environment may use the same cards with US Sage, Inc.'s MainLan 386 operating system. MainLan 386 is $599 for 2-4 users, $999 for 2-8 users and $1,499 for unlimited use.

US Sage Inc. unveiled MainLan for PS/1 during NetWorld on Sept. 11, in Dallas and will exhibit it at the COMDEX 1990 Fall Show, in Las Vegas, NV, Nov. 12-16. It will be available for shipping in October.

US Sage, Inc., established in 1989, is a Longwood, Fla.-based subsidiary of The Sage Group, plc, headquartered in Newcastle, England.

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#90256p4461 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Super Club today announced the completion of its new $115 million revolving credit and term loan facility. First City, Texas -- Super Club's lead bank in the United States -- acted as agent in syndicating the loan.

In making the announcement, Darrell Baldwin, president and CEO of Super Club said, "The proceeds of this increased credit facility will be used to consolidate the operating debt existing within Super Club's numerous acquisitions and provide funding for further expansion. It represents a major step in Super Club's overall strategic plan for developing financially strong and cohesive operations in North America because it will provide us with: greater flexibility in utilizing the borrowing capacities of each subsidiary; increased efficiency in our banking relations; and tighter, overall financial control. More specifically, we will continue to develop and expand our retail base -- and encourage the synergistic flow of resources among our audio and video experts that, among other things, has been responsible for launching our audio retail program...internally in Super Club's video retail stores and externally to Best Video's customers."

He added, "We enjoy a satisfying relationship with First City -- and take pride in working with their team of high-caliber professionals."

Super Club currently owns over 435 audio and video stores in 26 states. Its

subsidiaries include Alfalfa/Movietime, Best Video, Movies At Home, Record Bar/Tracks, Turtles, and Video Towne Entertainment.

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#90256p4466 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, S.C. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - SCANA Corporation (NYSE: SCG) announced today that at a special meeting held September 12, 1990, the common stockholders of Peoples Natural Gas Company of South Carolina ("Peoples") approved an Agreement and Plan of Merger with SCANA Corporation. The proposed merger was approved by approximately 82.3 percent of the 484,000 common shares of Peoples outstanding and entitled to vote. The merger is also subject to certain regulatory approvals and other conditions, including the transfer of operating authority for Peoples' gas utility properties by The Public Service Commission of South Carolina (PSC). A public hearing is scheduled to be held by the PSC on September 13, 1990.

On May 15, 1990, SCANA and Peoples signed a definitive Agreement and Plan of Merger under which Peoples would be acquired by SCANA through a tax-free exchange of common stock valued at approximately $19 million. Peoples, a regulated public utility headquartered in Florence, S.C., distributes natural gas to approximately 9,600 residential, commercial and industrial customers in Florence, Darlington, Hartsville, and Sumter, S.C. and surrounding areas. Peoples also has a wholly-owned subsidiary, Supertane Gas Company, that sells and distributed liquefied petroleum gas to approximately 4,200 customers in a seven-county area of the state.

Following consummation of the merger, the gas utility assets formerly owned by Peoples will be merged into SCANA and operated pursuant to an operating agreement with South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G), SCANA's principal subsidiary. The acquisition of Peoples represents a strategic extension of SCANA's retail natural gas and propane businesses.

SCANA Corporation, headquartered in Columbia, S.C. is a diversified holding company with approximately 4,300 employees and annual revenues of approximately $1.1 billion. SCE&G, SCANA's principal subsidiary, is a regulated utility that serves approximately 441,000 electric and 205,000 retail natural gas customers in portions of South Carolina.

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BRANCHBURG, N.J. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Air & Water Technologies Corporation (AMEX: AWT) reported operating income of $12 million for its third

quarter ended July 31, 1990 which represents a 10 percent increase over the comparable 1989 period. For the quarter, the company reported earnings per share before extraordinary items of 20 cents vs. 29 cents in 1989. Included in the third quarter 1989 results was a pre-tax gain of $7 million from the sale of 850,000 of the company's shares of Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc., while the third quarter of 1990 includes a pre-tax gain of $2.8 million from the issuance of approximately 207,000 shares of Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc. in the recent acquisition of Petrolgroup Inc. For the nine months ended July 31, 1990 operating income increased 23 percent over the nine month 1989 results to $33.5 million.

AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
For the Three Month and Nine Month Periods ending July 31, 1990 and 1989
(Unaudited)
(In thousands except earnings per share data)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	7/31/90	7/31/89	7/31/90	7/31/89
Sales	$163,415	$155,325	$432,283	$456,633
Cost of sales	118,921	118,442	308,147	355,825
Gross margin	44,494	36,883	124,136	100,808
Selling, general and administrative exp.	31,136	24,682	86,547	69,580
Amort. of goodwill	1,387	1,322	4,135	3,941
Operating income	11,971	10,879	33,454	27,287
Interest expense	(9,751)	(9,859)	(28,450)	(28,132)
Interest income	2,926	552	4,111	1,723
Gain on insurance of subsidiary stock	2,776	7,001	2,776	7,001
Other expense, net	(561)	(142)	(259)	(513)
Income before income taxes, minority interest and extraordinary items	7,361	8,431	11,632	7,366
Provision for income taxes	2,623	3,054	5,617	4,824
Minority interest in affiliate	(646)	(601)	(2,160)	(1,396)
Income before extraordinary items	4,092	4,776	3,855	1,146
Extraordinary items	(27,606)	1,924	(27,606)	1,924
Net income (loss)	($23,514)	$6,700	($23,751)	$3,070
Preferred dividends	---	$1,426	---	$4,086

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - WestAir's Atlantic Coast Division, which operates as United Express, today announced that it will increase its existing service from Washington's Dulles Airport to Stewart/Newburgh, N.Y.; Raleigh/Durham, N.C.; and Allentown/Bethlehem/Easton, Pa.

Additional service to all three cities will commence Oct. 15.

"Our expanded service to these three markets is directly attributable to strong community support for the United Express product. Our response, with additional frequency to Washington's Dulles Airport exemplifies the United Express commitment to each of the communities we serve," said Kerry Skeen, president of WestAir's Atlantic Coast Division.

United Express will add two additional daily roundtrips from Washington-Dulles to both Steward/Newburgh, N.Y. and Raleigh/Durham, N.C., for a total of six and eight daily roundtrips, respectively. In addition, service between Dulles and Allentown/Bethlehem/Easton will increase from four daily roundtrips to five. The increased service in all three markets will be scheduled for timely connections to and from United Airlines' flights at Washington-Dulles.

As a marketing partner with United Airlines, United Express offers it customers many United Airlines benefits, including worldwide reservations, advance seat selection and boarding passes. Members of United's popular Mileage Plus frequent flier program earn a minimum of 500 miles on all United Express flights, and senior citizens may participate in United's Silver Wings program which offers a variety of travel-related discounts.

WestAir's Atlantic Coast Division, which operates as United Express, began service from Washington-Dulles in December 1989, with 48 daily departures to six cities. Since that time, the division has tripled in size, currently serving 20 cities in seven states from Dulles. In addition to today's announcement, United Express previously announced that it will begin service between Binghamton, N.Y., and White Plains, N.Y., Sept. 14; and between Charlotte, N.C., and Washington-Dulles, Oct. 15. These additions, combined with today's announcement, will bring the total number of cities served from Washington-Dulles to 21, and total daily departures to 185.

WestAir, a subsidiary of WestAir Holding, Inc. (AMEX: WAH), operates as United Express and consists of two divisions -- the Atlantic Coast Division, with hub operations at Washington-Dulles, and the Pacific Coast Division, with hubs at Los Angeles; San Francisco; Portland, Ore.; Seattle, Wash.; Sacramento and Fresno, Calif. Headquartered in Fresno, WestAir Holding, Inc. is the largest regional airline company in the United States, operating over 850 daily flights to 64 cities in 14 states and the District of Columbia. In early 1989 the company was named "Regional Airline of the Year" by Air Transport World Magazine.

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SALISBURY, NC (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Food Lion, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FDLN) announced the latest unaudited sales information for the periods ending September 8, 1990 and September 9, 1989 as follows:

Period Ending	Sept. 8, 1990	Sept. 9, 1989	Pct. Increase
4 Weeks	$446,542,762	$372,593,490	19.8
Third Quarter (12 Weeks)	$1,319,416,281	$1,106,285,628	19.3
Year-to-date (36 Weeks)	$3,794,868,499	$3,186,573,757	19.1
Number of Stores	728	622	

As of September 8, 1990, Food Lion, Inc. was operating in ten states, with principal locations in the Southeast. Same store sales increased 6.0 percent for the four weeks, 4.9 percent for the quarter and 5.4 percent year-to-date.

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - International Mobile Machines Corp. (NASDAQ: IMMCC) announced today the appointment of Richard A. Guttendorf Jr. as senior vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer of the company.

Guttendorf was previously employed as executive vice president and chief financial officer of Atlantic Financial, an $8 billion, multi- state financial institution headquartered in Philadelphia. While at Atlantic Financial, Guttendorf implemented a number of innovative capital market financing transactions both domestically and in Europe and was responsible for overseeing the company's merger and acquisition activities.

Chief Operating Officer Richard Pryor commented, "We are pleased to have Dick Guttendorf as a member of our senior management team. His extensive background in corporate finance, mergers and acquisitions, and financial and strategic planning will be a major asset to IMM as the company continues to grow and expand. His management skills and cost control experience will assist greatly in meeting the company's goal of profitability."

A Certified Public Accountant who was formerly employed by Arthur Young & Co.,

Guttendorf is a graduate of St. Francis College and holds a master's degree in accounting and finance from the Pennsylvania State University. He is active in community affairs and presently serves on the boards of the Pennsylvania Economy League and the American Red Cross-Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter.

Guttendorf replaces Sidney D. Rosenblatt, who resigned as senior vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer on June 30, 1990, to purchase a privately held candy manufacturing company.

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#90256p4478 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRANCHBURG, NJ (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: METC) reported earnings today of 26 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990 compared to 30 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989. Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 of 89 cents per share were 10 percent higher than the comparable period of 1989.

Gross revenues in the third quarter were slightly lower than the comparable period in 1989 due to lower direct project expenses (costs which are passed through to the company's clients) primarily on the Peace Shield project in Saudi Arabia. Net revenues, which represent work the company performs directly, of $51 million were 25 percent higher than the comparable third quarter of 1989. Cost of sales as a percent of net revenues increased from 44 percent in the third quarter of 1989 to 48 percent in the third quarter of 1990, primarily due to changes in business mix. General and administrative expenses increased as a percent of net revenues from 36 percent for the third quarter of 1989 to 37 percent in the third quarter of 1990, reflecting increased labor-related costs and increased marketing, sales and project development expenditures.

Eckardt C. Beck, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Metcalf & Eddy Companies, noted that, "As we had anticipated in our second quarter earnings report, the municipal market, particularly in the Northeast, has experienced a slowdown. Economic conditions in that section of the country have placed pressure on governmental budgets and expenditures which in turn have resulted in project slowdowns and delays. Furthermore, the recent hostilities in the Middle East have impacted the company. Metcalf & Eddy Companies has a long history of involvement in the Middle East, including current work in Saudi Arabia, Egypt, the United Arab Emirates, and other countries. This includes the Peace Shield joint venture contract with the U.S. Air Force under which we have been providing oversight of the construction of defense infrastructure facilities for the Royal Saudi Air Force. We continue to monitor these events carefully."

Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc., an Air & Water Technologies company (AMEX: AWT)

provides a comprehensive range of environmental treatment services to governmental, commercial and industrial clients directed principally at the protection of the integrity of water resources. Air & Water Technologies Corporation provides comprehensive solutions to air and water environmental issues and is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol AWT.

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#90256p4486 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A. Inc., today announced combined domestic Corolla and Camry sales of 3,277 (1,307 Corollas and 1,970 Camrys) for the first 10 days of September, compared to last year's figure of 1,917 (749 Corollas and 1,168 Camrys).

Toyota's calendar year-to-date domestic sales total 248,360 versus 136,511 sold a year ago.

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#90256p4496 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Scandinavian Airlines System (SAS) and Continental Airlines Holdings, Inc. (AMEX: CTA), today announced that they have completed a previously announced transaction making SAS the largest single shareholder of Continental Holdings.

SAS signed agreements on Aug. 9 to acquire Jet Capital Corporation, with its significant interest in Continental and to purchase 2.25 million shares of newly issued common stock from Continental.

As a result of today's transactions, SAS holds 16.8 percent of Continental's equity, up from 9.8 percent, and 18.4 percent of the voting stock, up from 6.5 percent.

The transaction was approved by the board of SAS and by Jet Capital's shareholders. It also cleared regulatory review by U.S. authorities.

Under the terms of the arrangements, Frank Lorenzo has sold his investments in Continental and stepped down as chairman and chief executive officer of the company. He will remain as a director.

Hollis L. Harris, formerly president of Delta Airlines, has become the new president and CEO of Continental and has joined the board.

Carl Pohlad, a long-time Continental director, has been elected chairman of the board and Robert Garrett as chairman of the executive committee.

When the agreements were signed the Continental board of directors invited Jan Carlzon, president and CEO of the SAS Group and a member of Continental's board, to assume the position of non-executive chairman of Continental.

"I have seriously considered the invitation," said Carlzon. "However, while I intend to continue contributing fully in my role as director, I cannot reconcile the additional time and responsibilities of chairmanship with my extensive duties in Scandinavia. I believe that in Carl Pohlad and Hollis Harris we have an excellent combination to guide Continental to a great future."

SAS will appoint a total of three directors to the 15-member Continental board. In addition to Carlzon, they are Lars Bergvall of Sweden, who is chief operating officer of SAS, and Roberto Mendoza of the United States, vice chairman of J.P. Morgan.

Carl Pohlad in a statement thanked Lorenzo for the 18 years service he had dedicated to Continental and wished him success in his new endeavors.

"The entire board is confident that Continental is poised for a new era of great success with its new shareholding and management structure, which has been welcomed by the financial community, employees, travel agents and the traveling public," said Pohlad.

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#90256p4498 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir will officially open the new USAir Club on Concourse C at Charlotte/Douglas International Airport on Saturday, Sept. 15.

This new and expanded club replaces a smaller facility destroyed by Hurricane Hugo about a year ago.

The new club occupies 4,920 square feet, substantially larger than the former club. Charlotte Airport now has three separate USAir Clubs -- one each on B, C and D concourses, more than any other airport on the USAir system.

The new two-level, Concourse C club features three conference rooms, increased phone capacity, expanded reception and check-in areas, seating for 144 members departure screens, a larger bar area, facsimile machine, restrooms and two

television sets. It is also designed for handicapped accessibility.

More than 4,000 local Charlotte-area residents are members of the USAir Club.

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213-417-1294 (Western Region)

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#90256p4501 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNETONKA, MN (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Advance Circuits, Inc., Minnetonka-based manufacturer of printed circuits, forecasted sales for its fiscal year ended Aug. 25, 1990, would be in excess of $88 million and net income of $1.42 to $1.47 per common share.

Thomas F. Leahy, chairman, indicated that the company was continuing to experience very high demand in order flow for its military division products but that recently demand for its commercial division products had somewhat softened.

He indicated that the company expected the first quarter of fiscal 1991 to be less than the first quarter of fiscal 1990, because 1990 included a $400,000 life insurance benefit and higher than customary first quarter demand.

The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ national market system under the symbol: ADVC.

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#90256p4510 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Retirement Living Communities, L.P. (RLC) announced today that the offer to purchase beneficial unit certificates (BUCs) evidencing ownership in Retirement Living Tax-Exempt Mortgage Fund Limited Partnership expired at midnight, EDT, yesterday.

As of midnight Sept. 12, 561,136 BUCs, which is approximately 44.4 percent of the total outstanding, had been tendered.

On Sept. 5, RLC announced it had waived a condition of the offer which required a majority of certificates to be tendered for a successful offer. RLC said it has accepted for payment all BUCs validly tendered pursuant to the offer, and payment will be made as promptly as practicable after valid delivery of all BUCs tendered by guaranteed delivery.

RLC, the general partner of Retirement Living Tax-Exempt Mortgage Fund Limited

Partnership, is an affiliate of Capital Realty Group of Dallas.

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#90256p4513 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PONTIAC, MI (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - First Federal Bancorp, Inc. (AMEX: FFB) of Pontiac, the holding company for First Federal Savings Bank and Trust (FFSBT) of Pontiac, reported a net loss of $33 million, or a loss of $9.15 per share for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, compared to net income of $3.5 million, or $0.95 per share for the previous fiscal year.

The announcement was made by Leo D. Ottoni, president and CEO of FFB. The loss resulted from provisions for loan losses of $23.5 million and the write-off of $8.7 million of goodwill, which no longer counts as capital pursuant to the Financial Institution Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989, in addition to the $1.9 million of scheduled goodwill amortization.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, the net loss was $16.5 million, or $4.57 per share, compared to net income of $344,000 or $.09 per share in its previous fourth quarter.

The fourth-quarter loss included provision for loan losses of $15.8 million and an additional charge for goodwill expense of $1.2 million.

The large provision for loan losses which was recorded in the final two quarters of the fiscal year resulted from certain loan concerns identified by FFSBT and its regulators, the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) in its recently completed exam, and a desire by the OTS to have the bank significantly increase its general reserve for loan losses.

At June 30, 1990, total general reserves for loan losses were $13.5 million and specific reserves for loan loss were $4.7 million for a total of $18.2 million.

The level of loan loss reserves as a percentage of consumer and commercial loans approximates 5.5 percent, a level which exceeds industry standards. FFSBT plans to appeal the level of loan loss reserves required by the OTS.

During the fiscal year the company charged off all of the $9.3 million of remaining goodwill from its Florida subsidiary, Citizens Federal Savings Bank (CFSB). The goodwill write-off resulted from the changes in federal regulations which forced the elimination of certain goodwill from capital and management's decision, as previously announced, to sell CFSB.

Net interest income for the fiscal year decreased by $2.1 million, or 8.1

percent resulting from a planned reduction in total assets. For the fiscal year total assets were reduced to $1.27 billion at June 30, 1990, from $1.58 billion at June 30, 1989, a reduction of 19.7 percent.

Average interest earning assets were $1.36 billion for fiscal year 1990 compared to $1.45 billion for fiscal year 1989; a reduction of 6.2 percent. The reduced average interest earning assets were partially offset by an increase in the average interest rate spread to 1.88 percent for the current year from 1.81 percent for the prior year.

First Federal Bancorp is traded in the American Stock Exchange under the symbol FFS.

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#90256p4516 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

AZUSA, CALIF. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Optical Radiation Corp. (NASDAQ: ORCO) today declared a special cash dividend of $2.00 a share. The dividend will be paid Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 12, 1990.

Optical Radiation designs and manufactures a wide variety of precision optical components and systems for medical, industrial and scientific applications.

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#90256p4518 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHORT HILLS, N.J. (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T and Kokusai Denshin Denwa Ltd. (KDD), of Japan, will donate to the U.S. and Japanese scientific community a portion of TransPacific Cable-1, the first undersea cable system to span the Pacific.

The 26-year-old cable, which carried up to 138 simultaneous telephone conversations, was replaced in April 1989 by a fiber-optic cable with a capacity of 40,000 simultaneous calls. It continued to function as a backup system until last month.

The retired copper cable will be given to the Earthquake Research Institute of the University of Tokyo and the Incorporated Research Institute for Seismology (IRIS) in the United States on Nov. 1.

The two groups will use the 2,656-kilometer cable system the backbone of an undersea observation system to monitor acoustical waves, geomagnetism, water pressure and temperature, speed of water current, and other seismological factors. The cable had formerly been used to handle telephone traffic between Japan and Guam.

The system will make it possible for scientists to study the sea bed between the Philippine Plate and the Pacific Plate, where earthquakes occur frequently. It is expected to increase the accuracy of earthquake and tidal wave forecasting and to advance understanding of the inner structure of the earth.

AT&T Bell Laboratories scientists, who developed the cable, predict that the vacuum tubes in the system's underwater amplifiers will, after 25 years of telecommunications life, now have a scientific lifetime of 50 or even hundreds of years.

"This cable, which has served to bring the cultures and economies of the U.S. and Far East closer together, will continue to serve scientists in their search for fuller understanding of the scope and implications of the natural mysteries of our planet," said James Barrett, deputy director, AT&T International Communications Services.

At its retirement last month, TransPacific Cable-1, state-of-the-art technology in 1964, was still functioning reliably as part of an overall system from California to Japan. Its replacement digital optical system was built by AT&T and KDD for their international information service needs as well as those of a consortium of 20 additional owners.

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#90256p4533 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Visa International said it will bring together bankers from Canada, France, Norway, and the United Kingdom to share data on smart card programs at a special forum in London, Sept. 20-21.

The group, Visa International Integrated Circuit Card Users Group, was formed to provide a forum for Visa member financial institutions with smart or integrated circuit card programs to share information and address issues of common interest. Three group forums will be scheduled annually.

Smart cards contain imbedded computer micro chips for storage and manipulation of information such as a cardholder's account balance. In addition to point-of-sale-use, smart cards can be used in telephones or vending machines

and other devices equipped to read the chip.

Visa International, with 230 million cardholders, is the world's largest consumer card payment system.

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#90256p4546 09/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

REDMOND, WASH. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - ECOVA Corp., an environmental cleanup firm which uses biotechnology, today announced its shareholders have approved a major recapitalization of the company.

The recapitilization was inititated in October 1989 and funded by a $3.5 million credit facility from ECOVA's primary investors. They are Cable & Howse Ventures of Bellevue, Wash.; the European conglomerate Italimprese; T. Rowe Price of Baltimore; and HLM Management Co. and John Hancock Venture Capital of Boston. Under terms of the recapitilization, the number of stockholders is reduced and ECOVA is now a private company.

Most of the recapitalization funds were made available to the company late last year as a loan. Since then, the funds have been used primarily to stengthen the company's balance sheet and support the continued commercialization of remediation technologies. The loan has now been converted to equity.

ECOVA gross revenues increased from $4.8 million in 1988 to $7.2 million in 1989, while 1990 revenues are projected to reach $8.0 million. Net service revenues (gross revenue less outside direct costs) have more than doubled in the first half of 1990 compared with the first six months of 1989. Staff reductions, attrition and overhead reduction measures have contributed to a dramatic improvement in net profitability. A loss of $5.3 million in 1989 has been reduced to a projected loss of less than $1.0 million this year. Rogers said he expects the company to move into the black next year.

ECOVA is internationally recognized for its development and application of "bioremediation," an innovative technology which uses naturally occurring micro-organisms to clean up hazardous wastes. The company is the industry leader in the application of the technology, having cleaned up more than 800,000 cubic yards of contaminated soil and millions of gallons of contaminated water since it was founded in 1986.

Locally, ECOVA is cleaning up the old Seattle marketing fuel terminal near Pier 70, the largest bioremediation project currently underway in this state. The company also is conducting remediation of more than 300,000 cubic yards of petroleum-contaminated soil at a California tank farm site, a project Rogers said may be the largest on-site bioremediation project ever conducted in the

United States.

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#90256t1532 09/13/1990 ~ts
JURBARKAS, LITHUANIA (SEPT 13) TASS - AN ARMY TRUCK OVERTURNED TODAY IN THE SETTLEMENT OF PASALTONIS OF JURBARKAS DISTRICT IN LITHUANIA, KILLING 11 SOLDIERS AND WOUNDING SEVEN.

ENTERING A SHARP CURVE AT A HIGH SPEED, THE TRUCK OVERTURNED AND EXPLODED. LOCAL RESIDENTS MANAGED TO PUT OUT THE FIRE AND EXTRACTED SOLDIERS FROM UNDER THE TRUCK. SEVEN SOLDIERS WERE TAKEN TO HOSPITAL WITH BURNS. TWO OF THEM ARE IN A SERIOUS CONDITION.

THE MILITARY PROCURATOR'S OFFICE HAS BEGUN INVESTIGATION.

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#90256t1548 09/13/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT 13) TASS - ACCORDING TO THE INFORMATION OF THE USSR STATE COMMITTEE FOR STATISTICS, THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC SITUATION DETERIORATED IN AUGUST, IZVESTIA WROTE TODAY. DURING THE EIGHT MONTHS OF THE CURRENT YEAR INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT WENT DOWN BY 0.7 PERCENT AS AGAINST THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 1989, WHILE THE FIGURE FOR AUGUST ALONE WAS 1.7 PERCENT.

ACCORDING TO DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE COMMITTEE FOR STATISTICS VLADIMIR TOLOKUSHIN, THE DISINTEGRATION OF ECONOMIC TIES BOTH ON THE UNION AND REPUBLICAN LEVELS, AS WELL AS DIRECT TIES BETWEEN SEPARATE ENTERPRISES, IS ONE OF THE REASONS EXPLAINING THIS SITUATION.

INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT WAS NOT REDUCED ONLY IN BYELORUSSIA, MOLDAVIA AND TADZHIKISTAN. IN ESTONIA IT REMAINED ON THE LEVEL OF 1989. IN THE REST OF THE REPUBLICS THE AUGUST FIGURES SHOWED THE DECLINE OF INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT.

ACCORDING TO TOLOKUSHIN, THE PRESENT CONCLUDING OF AGREEMENTS MAY DETERMINE THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC SITUATION IN THE NEXT YEAR. HOWEVER, NOT MUCH HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED SO FAR: AGREEMENTS COVER ONLY 25 PERCENT OF THE INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT THAT ENTERPRISES INTEND TO INCLUDE IN THEIR PLANS. THIS HAS HALF THE AMOUNT FOR SEPTEMBER 1, 1989.

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#90256t1551 09/13/1990 ~ts
TALLINN (SEPT 13) TASS -- "WE HAVE GOT TO TELL THE PEOPLE HONESTLY THAT LIFE WILL BECOME STILL HARDER IN THE FUTURE," ESTONIAN PRIME MINISTER EDGAR SAVISAAR TOLD TALLINNERS AT A MEETING HERE TODAY.

HE CALLED ON THE POPULATION TO REJECT ILLUSIONS AND UNDERSTAND THAT THE SOONER THE CRISIS COMES TO A HEAD, THE SOONER IT WILL BECOME POSSIBLE TO PULL THE REPUBLIC OUT OF IT. ACCORDING TO THE PRIME MINISTER, THE WAY OUT OF THE CRISIS IS INEVITABLY LINKED WITH UNPOPULAR MEASURES BY THE GOVERNMENT.

HE SAID THAT ONE SUCH UNPOPULAR MEASURE IS THE ANNOUNCED SENDING RETAIL PRICES FOR MEAT AND DAIRY PRODUCTS UP BY 300 TO 400 PER CENT FROM OCTOBER 1. ANOTHER IS RAISING THE INCOME TAX RATE, A MOVE NOT AS YET ENDORSED BY THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT.

URGENT STEPS TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT TO OVERCOME THE CRISIS ARE SURE TO ENTAIL A HARD DROP IN LIVING STANDARDS. MANY FOODSTUFFS, INCLUDING SUGAR, FLOUR, MACARONI AND NOODLES, CEREALSAND ALCOHOLIC DRINKS ARE BEING RATIONED. RATIONING CARDS FOR FURNITURE, RADIO AND HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT ARE DISTRIBUTED AT WORK.

NEW RATIONS ARE TO BE INTRODUCED SOON, THE POPULATION HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED CARD PADS MARKED WITH LETTERS A, B, C ETC. THE ANNOUNCEMENT AS TO WHAT GOODS THESE CARDS ENTITLE ONE TO BUY IS EXPECTED SOON.

SAVISAAR WAS BACKED BY PRESIDENT ARNOLD RUUTEL WHO CALLED PARTICIPANTS IN THE MEETING TO GRANT THE GOVERNMENT A CREDIT OF TRUST AND WIDER POWERS IN ORDER TO OVERCOME THE ECONOMIC CRISIS.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (SEPT. 13) UPI - Engineers believe they have finally fixed an elusive hydrogen leak that grounded the shuttle Columbia last week, clearing the way for NASA to formally clear the ship for a fourth launch try Tuesday.

With time running out before a higher-priority October mission by the shuttle Discovery, NASA plans to restart Columbia's countdown at 1 a.m. EDT Saturday for a launch attempt at 1:28 a.m. Tuesday to finally kick off a 10-day astronomy mission originally set for takeoff in May.

If Columbia's seven-man crew fails to make it into orbit within a few days of the new target date, the flight will be delayed until after Discovery's launch around Oct. 8 to carry the European-built Ulysses solar probe into space.

Columbia was grounded last week when hydrogen gas built up in the shuttle's engine compartment during fuel loading the night before a planned Thursday launch try.

Engineers removed and replaced three suspect fuel pumps before discovering a damaged seal in a fuel line valve leading to main engine No. 3 that appears to

explain the leak.

The washer-like seal, slightly larger than a silver dollar, apparently was damaged during installation earlier this year. The problem was not discovered until alert technicians became suspicious following weekend tests.

''It was crushed, flattened and misaligned 45 degrees around,'' said an engineer who requested anonymity. ''They say that was enough to account for the total leak. Do you believe that? I think that's great!''

Henry Pohl, director of engineering at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, was more cautious.

''I don't think there's any doubt that that's a big part of the problem,'' he said in a telephone interview. ''Does it explain all of the data? I don't know that we can say that yet.''

But technicians were unable to find any major leaks in the once- suspect fuel pumps, and the discovery and replacement of a seriously damaged seal in a fuel line would appear to resolve the matter once and for all.

The new launch date was announced after NASA and the Air Force settled a scheduling conflict involving Columbia and an unmanned Titan 4 rocket that sources said had been set for launch Monday night from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station.

Early Wednesday, a reliable source said the Titan launch had been rescheduled, keeping Columbia on track for an early Tuesday liftoff.

Shuttle commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46, plan to fly to Florida Sunday for final preparations.

Space agency managers are under considerable pressure to launch Columbia as soon as possible to clear the decks for Discovery's flight next month to carry the Ulysses probe into space.

The Ulysses mission has priority because to get the probe on the proper course to the sun, Discovery must be launched between Oct. 5 and Oct. 23 or the mission will face a 13-month delay.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - Army Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, the top U.S. military commander in Saudi Arabia, said the full buildup of U.S. forces needed to combat the Iraqi threat will not be completed for two more months,

The Washington Post reported Thursday.

In an interview, Schwarzkopf said the buildup has been slowed down because of breakdowns of ships carrying heavy combat equipment. He also said the Air Force will be required to reduce its airlift of troops and equipment to the region in coming weeks because the operation has taxed aging transports and many must have engines replaced.

The buildup of forces on the Arabian Peninsula also has been delayed because of sealift problems.

The four-star general said U.S. forces currently are adequate to provide a defense of Saudi Arabia, but will be even stronger soon.

''Give me another couple of months, and we will surely have the forces on the ground that we need to defend Saudi Arabia against any attack they (the Iraqis) could possibly have,'' he told the Post.

Based on Schwarzkopf's comments, it appears that the U.S. buildup will come about one month after the mid-October target reported by several congressmen who were briefed earlier this month with top U.S. commanders in Saudi Arabia, the Post said.

Schwarzkopf said that although the massive movement of troops and hardware operated smoothly in the first weeks of the mission, less than one-third of the Army's heavy combat armor has arrived in Saudi Arabia. The military has been forced to contract slower ships to transport some tanks and heavy artillery because of mechanical problems with some of the Navy's eight fast sealift vessels.

''The good news is that at the most dangerous time, everything went great,'' Schwarzkopf said. ''The bad news is it has slowed up, but it doesn't matter as much as it did before.''

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#90256u0163 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 13) UPI - Talks between White House and congressional budget negotiators are expected to continue through Friday as they look for ways to help bring down the federal deficit. NO final decisions have been made. But one possibility reportedly being debated is a new tax on luxury items... such as expensive cars, private boats and airplanes, furs jewelry and electronic equipment. The sessions are taking place at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington.

A set of quadruplets were in serious, but stable condition after being born earlier Wednesday at the University of California Irvine Medical Center. What's so UNusual about these babies is that their mother did NOT take

fertility drugs. The obstetrician who delivered the three girls and a boy says the odds of having spontaneous quadruplets are about half-a-Million to one.

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LANSING, Mich. (SEPT. 13) UPI - Opponents of a newly passed law denying abortions to girls under 18 without parental consent are fighting the measure in the courts, their only recourse for the veto-proof legislation.

The law, passed by the Legislature Wednesday, made Michigan the 34th state to legally limit a minor's access to abortion and was quickly challenged on the grounds it violates constitutional equal protection guarantees.

No court date was set for the lawsuit filed in Ingham County Circuit Court in Lansing Wednesday by Zolton Ferency, a criminal law professor at Michigan State University.

The measure, passed 28-9 in the Senate and 61-40 in the House, will go into effect April 1, 1991. Because it was introduced into the Legislature by a petition drive, not by a legislator or the governor, it cannot be vetoed.

The law would require written permission from a parent or guardian before an abortion could be legally performed on a girl under age 18. Girls who are reluctant to bring the issue up with a parent could seek a waiver by a probate court judge.

A similar measure passed by both houses of the Legislature was vetoed on Feb. 23 by Gov. James Blanchard, prompting the anti-abortion group Right to Life of Michigan to begin the petition drive that led to the law passed Wednesday.

Sen. Jack Welborn, a Republican who is one of the Legislature's most ardent abortion opponents, argued that the parental consent law will lead youngsters to use birth control or abstain from sex.

''It will be used as a deterent to pregnancy,'' he said.

Bill Bell of Indiana, whose 17-year-old daughter, Becky, died in 1988 from a botched illegal abortion she received because she was apparently afraid to tell her parents that she was pregnant, flatly denounced such attitudes.

''I would like to have them acknowledge that laws are not going to regulate teen-age sexuality,'' Bell said. ''What I would like to see is the proponents of these laws that limit the rights of kids who are pregnant tell the public where the money is funneled into sex education to provide the proper information about sex and birth control.''

Abortion rights advocates said they were not surprised that the measure was

passed, and believed the move would help spur opponents of the law into action.

''This was not unexpected,'' said Rep. Maxine Berman, a Democrat who had spoken on the floor of the House for nearly 10 minutes urging her colleagues to defeat the measure. ''A lot of teen-agers are going to be in a horrible position as a result of this.''

Margy Long of Planned Parenthood said she believed abortion rights advocates have been slowly gaining ground for the past year but still have a long way to go. The result of the parental consent law, she said, will be an increase in the number of low birthweight babies and more girls showing up in hospitals suffering the effects of illegal or self- inflicted abortions.

''But, as you say, it will be difficult to keep statistics, but it's going to be the same as we've seen after Medicaid-funded abortions were cut,'' Long said.

Right to Life of Michigan President Barbara Listing said that a parental consent law would bring Michigan in line with the U.S. Supreme Court's 1989 Webster vs. Reproductive Services decision that gave states greater leeway in restricting abortions, and she said more such legislation could be coming.

Right to Life of Michigan gathered more than 200,000 signatures to bring the measure before the Legislature, well over the 191,726 needed. The signatures were validated on Monday, and the measure officially was introduced on Tuesday. The Legislature had 40 days to act, or the initiative would have automatically been placed on the 1992 general election ballot.

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#90256u0174 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (SEPT. 13) UPI - Salvadoran government and rebel representatives Thursday were to pick up where they left off in a fifth round of peace talks halted by failure to reach agreement on demilitarization.

The new round of talks will be held in Costa Rica, which also hosted the third and fourth rounds of the negotiations aimed at ending more than 10 years of civil war in El Salvador.

President Alfredo Cristiani said this week that government negotiators would arrive at the talks carrying the same proposals for military reforms that were rejected in two previous meetings by rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, known as the FMLN.

The rebels are insisting that both their guerrilla army and the government's 55,000-strong armed forces must be dismantled to allow for lasting peace.

''The FMLN is not going to accept cosmetic or merely quantitative changes in

the military. We know better than that,'' rebel negotiator Salvador Samayoa said in an editorial published last week by the Los Angeles Times.

Describing the Salvadoran military as ''corrupt'' and ''brutal'', Samayoa said ''total demilitarization is absolutely necessary if we are to construct a modern democratic state.''

He defined demilitarization as a ''gradual, symmetrical and simultaneous process to dismantle and eliminate both armies and create a new civilian police force.''

In the opening rounds of talks, the rebels had demanded reductions in the armed forces and the removal of a large number of military officers.

Citing constitutional restrictions, Cristiani has repeatedly said in public that ''the government is not willing to put the existence of the armed forces on the table.''

On the eve of the talks, Cristiani said ''we maintain our proposal, but that does not mean we are going into (the talks) with an inflexible position.''

He said he was optimistic progress could be made in this, the fifth round of talks since the peace process began in May, but added his optimism was based on the possibility that the FMLN will change its position.

''We have heard some commentaries that could lead to optimism that the FMLN will come to this meeting with a more flexible position than the past one, which was totally radicalized,'' Cristiani said.

The Salvadoran government has offered to implement major military reductions after the war ends and has proposed that the country's three highly militarized police forces be transferred to civilian control and that the rag-tag Civil Defense forces that operate in rural areas be disbanded.

The rebels refuse to release their troop figures, but foreign diplomats estimate their strength at some 6,000 combatants.

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#90256u0184 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - Amid a nationwide surge in drug-related violence and murder, President Bush is headed for a showdown on Capitol Hill over his long-stalled anti-crime package.

Within the next few days, the full House is expected to vote on a much-revised version of the president's bill that Bush threatened to veto Wednesday as being pro-criminal and anti-police.

''We will not accept a crime bill that is tougher on law enforcement than it is on criminals,'' Bush told hundreds of state and local prosecutors gathered on the White House south lawn in a show of support for his sweeping bill.

Bush's Comprehensive Violent Crime Control Act, first submitted to Congress in May 1989, would expand the number of federal crimes punishable by death, including major drug dealing. It would also streamline the appeal process and eliminate ''loopholes'' that limit police search and seizure powers.

The Senate passed a version of Bush's bill. But he threatened to veto the measure because it contains a provision that would outlaw nine types of semiautomatic assault weapons.

The president has refused to ban the guns, despite pleas from police groups that say the semiautomatic has become weapon of choice among drug dealers and has no legitimate sporting use.

This anti-gun control stand is likely to be an issue in this fall's congressional elections. Voters view the rising crime rate as a top concern, particularly since the nation is expected to reach a record a number of homicides this year.

Among those who have lobbied for tougher gun control is Jim Brady, press secretary under President Ronald Reagan, who was wounded in the 1981 assassination attempt.

Brady backs a bill that would impose a seven-day waiting period for the purchase of a handgun. The administration opposes the measure. It says the bill would be ineffective since most criminals buy guns on the black market.

Speaking to the state and local prosecutors Wednesday, Bush made no mention of the volatile issue of gun control.

Instead, he raised such matters as the little-used death penalty, the lengthy appeal process and ''scales of justice (that) are unfairly loaded against dedicated lawmen and women like you.''

''The American people are fed up,'' Bush said. ''I urge Congress to heed the voices of our people, our police and our prosecutors and send me a crime bill that will help take back the streets.''

The House bill, now in committee, does not include a ban on semiautomatics.

But it would, the administration complains, lengthen the appeal process and thus effectively eliminate the death penalty. The House version, unlike Bush's bill, also does not extend the ''good faith'' exception in warrantless searches.

Many lawmen have been at odds with the administration over gun control. They have urged Bush to outlaw semiautomatic assault weapons and to back a waiting period for purchase of handguns.

In fact, the 6,500-member National District Attorneys Association, which was out in force Wednesday in support of Bush's bill, recently passed a resolution in favor of restrictions on semiautomatics.

''We didn't bring it up with the president today,'' said Richard Ieyoub, the association's president. ''We came here to talk about his crime bill.''

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	84	59	.587	-	42-29	40-31	7-3	L-1
New York	81	61	.570	2 1/2	49-22	32-39	4-6	W-3
Montreal	75	67	.528	8 1/2	40-28	35-39	6-4	W-1
Chicago	67	75	.472	16 1/2	35-38	32-37	5-5	W-2
Philadel.	65	77	.458	18 1/2	35-36	30-41	3-7	L-3
St. Louis	64	79	.448	20	32-40	32-39	4-6	L-3
West								
Cincinnati	80	61	.567	-	39-27	40-34	4-6	L-1
San Fran.	75	68	.524	6	42-29	33-38	8-2	W-5
Los Angeles	75	68	.524	6	42-30	33-37	4-6	W-1
San Diego	66	76	.465	14 1/2	36-40	28-37	5-5	L-1
Houston	64	78	.451	16 1/2	40-27	24-50	4-6	W-1
Atlanta	58	85	.406	23	33-38	25-47	5-5	L-4

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - CBS and the Public Broadcasting Service both won 10 news and documentary Emmy awards, the most among both network and cable stations, the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences announced.

ABC took six awards at the Wednesday night ceremony at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, while NBC followed with five, and the Turner Broadcasting System garnered four.

Cable News Network, Fox, Home Box Office, MTV and syndicated programs all were awarded one Emmy each for news and documentary presentations.

Among the winning programs for CBS were its ''48 Hours'' program's ''Hurricane Watch,'' which won for outstanding general coverage of a single breaking news

story; and ''Face the Nation's'' interview with John Tower, and ''Saturday Night With Connie Chung's'' interview with Marlon Brando.

Winning for outstanding individual achievement in writing were CBS's Perry Wolff, for ''The Moon Above, The Earth Below,'' and Charles Kuralt and Peter Freundlich, writing for ''Sunday Morning with Charles Kuralt's'' ''Milepost - Student Stopping Tank in Beijing.''

In total, CBS's ''48 Hours'' program was named in two awards; ''Face the Nation'' was named in one; ''Saturday Night with Connie Chung,'' two; ''CBS Evening News'' with Dan Rather, two; ''The Moon Above, The Earth Below,'' two; and ''Sunday Morning with Charles Kuralt,'' one.

PBS's ''The Aids Quarterly'' was named in two awards - including its ''The Education of Admiral Watkins'' that won for outstanding background-analysis of a single current story; ''The Power of the Word with Bill Moyers,'' one; ''P.O.V.,'' two; ''The American Experience,'' one; ''National Geographic Special,'' two; ''Frontline,'' one; and ''The Public Mind with Bill Moyers,'' one.

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#90256u0259 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 13) UPI - Last week the Pittsburgh Pirates' three-game sweep of New York left the Mets spinning in self-recrimination, but Wednesday night David Cone and a raucous home crowd helped the Mets regain their pennant race equilibrium.

Cone fired a three-hitter and Dave Magadan doubled home two runs in the first inning to lift the Mets to a 2-1 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The victory, the Mets' 10th straight at home, moved New York to within 2 1-2 games of the front-running Pirates in the NL East.

''This was a huge, huge game tonight for us,'' said Cone, who outdueled Pittsburgh starter John Smiley. ''My only other bigger game was the 1988 (playoff) game when we were eliminated if we lost.''

Cone improved his career record to 5-0 against the Pirates and improved his mark to 12-8 on the season. He struck out eight, including cleanup hitter Bobby Bonilla three times. He retired 13 straight batters from the fourth to the eighth innings en route to his fifth complete game of the season.

Cone got a scare in the ninth when Sid Bream hit a long fly to right that Darryl Strawberry caught at the wall.

''I was lucky Bream's did not go out,'' Cone said. ''I looked at Darryl and thought he had a bead on it. He's 6-foot-6 and can jump six feet and I hoped

he didn't need to. I was lucky.''

''I didn't hit it great but I thought I had enough,'' Bream said.

''We got outdueled,'' said Pittsburgh third baseman Wally Backman, a former Met. ''We had some opportunities we didn't take control of. You have to tip your hat (to Cone).''

The Mets improved their home record to a majors' best 49-22. Thursday night, Pittsburgh will send Doug Drabek to the mound against Dwight Gooden.

The two teams also play three times in Pittsburgh at the end of the season.

Smiley, 8-9, allowed just five hits. The left-hander went the distance for the second time this year. By beating him, the Mets raised their record to just 23-27 against lefty starters.

Gregg Jefferies opened the first by drawing a walk against a staff that has allowed the fewest bases on balls in the league. Keith Miller followed with a single and Magadan hit the first pitch into right- center, scoring both runners. Magadan said he changed his usual pattern at the plate.

''I have a reputation for taking a lot of pitches,'' Magadan said. ''I like to get used to a pitcher. But with the runners on I decided to swing at the first pitch. He was trying to get ahead of me and laid a fastball tight in.''

Pittsburgh pulled within 2-1 in the third. Smiley singled and Wally Backman forced him. Cone then walked Jay Bell, Andy Van Slyke and Bonilla, forcing home a run. Barry Bonds ended the inning with a popup.

Pittsburgh has scored just two runs in Smiley's last five losses.

--- AROUND THE NL ---

Elsewhere in the National League, Chicago pounded Philadelphia 9-3, San Francisco blitzed Atlanta 8-3, Montreal topped St. Louis 6-2; Houston edged Cincinnati 3-1; and Los Angeles crushed San Diego 10-3.

Cubs 9, Phillies 3

At Chicago, Andre Dawson ignited a six-run Chicago first with a two- run single and later added a solo homer to lead the Cubs. The first seven batters reached base safely against Phillies starter Jose DeJesus, 5-7. Chicago scored 10 runs in the second inning of an 11-6 victory Tuesday against Montreal. Greg Maddux, 13-13, allowed eight hits and one walk for the win. Ryne Sandberg hit his 34th homer of the year for the Cubs.

Giants 8, Braves 3

At San Francisco, Matt Williams hit a three-run homer and Gary Carter had three hits and two RBI to help the Giants extend their winning streak to five games. John Burkett, 12-7, scattered 10 hits over 7 2-3 innings to earn his first win since Aug. 11. Francisco Oliveras got four outs for his first major league save. Atlanta starter Charlie Leibrandt, 8-9, took the loss.

Expos 6, Cardinals 2

At Montreal, Delino DeShields drove in a career-high four runs to lift the Expos. Dennis ''Oil Can'' Boyd, 10-5, won his third game in a row, allowing five hits in seven innings. Bob Tewksbury, 10-6, was the loser. DeShields hit an RBI single, a two-run double and his fourth home run. Tim Raines had three hits and scored twice for the Expos.

Astros 3, Reds 1, 13 innings

At Cincinnati, rookie Mike Simms delivered his first major league hit - and RBI single - in the 13th inning to lift the Astros. With Eric Yelding on second, Simms lined a single to center to score Yelding and the Astros added another run on wild pitch by Tim Layana, 5-3. Juan Agosto, the Astros' fourth pitcher, 7-7, worked the final two innings for the victory.

Dodgers 10, Padres 3

At San Diego, pinch-hitter Kal Daniels hit a tie-breaking three-run double in the eighth, and Eddie Murray scored four runs and had three hits, including his 23rd homer of the year, to help the Dodgers remain in a tie for second place in the NL West. Tim Crews, 3-5, pitched 1-3 inning in relief of Jim Neidlinger, who allowed three runs and seven hits in 6 2-3 innings. Jay Howell pitched the final two innings for his 15th save. Atlee Hammaker, 4-8, took the loss.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... U-P-I brings you the latest news. .

Nearly 300 Americans who were airlifted out of Kuwait are to fly to North Carolina today. They arrived in London last night, along with other foreign hostages, including 68 Britons. The State Department in Washington says at least 286 Americans, mostly women and children, are in the group. .

The links between Iraq and its former enemy, Iran, apparently are strengthening. Iran's spiritual leader called for a holy war against U-S forces in the Persian Gulf, saying it's up to the Moslem nations in the region to deal with Iraq's occupation of Kuwait. The two nations earlier agreed to

resume diplomatic ties.

Today is a big one for David Souter, the man President Bush nominated to succeed Justice William Brennan on the Supreme Court. Souter goes before the Senate Judiciary Committee for confirmation hearings that the White House hopes will go smoothly. He is almost certain to face tough questions about his views on abortion.

Budget negotiators are considering a possible new tax on luxury items in their bid to agree on a plan for cutting the huge federal deficit. White House and congressional negotiators meet again today at Andrews Air Force Base near Washington. The talks are expected to continue through tomorrow.

A new Michigan law restricting a minor's access to abortion is drawing fire from abortion rights activists. A Michigan State University law professor filed a suit challenging the measure on grounds that it violates the constitution. The new law, passed yesterday, denies abortions to girls under 18 without parental consent.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - The Salvadoran government and leftist rebels meet again today to try to end El Salvador's 10-year-old civil war. The fifth round of peace talks is being held in Costa Rica, the site of the third and fourth rounds. The rebels say their guerrilla army and the the Salvadoran armed forces must be dismantled.

Lottery fever is raging in Florida, where the estimated prize for this week's jackpot is now a staggering 96-Million dollars. Retailers in some locations say customers are waiting in line for more than an hour to buy lottery tickets. It's the second largest lottery prize in U-S history.

A New York state judge yesterday temporarily banned the sale of a book about the Mossad, Israel's intelligence agency. The temporary restraining order was requested by the Israeli government. It forbids sale of the book ''By Way of Deception: The Making and Unmaking of a Mossad Officer.'' It was written by a former agent, and includes embarrassing allegations.

The House wants the Japanese government to pay more of the cost of supporting the 50-thousand U-S troops now in Japan. Lawmakers voted 370- 53 yesterday to put Tokyo on notice that Washington will start withdrawing its troops unless things change. Japan now pays about two- point-four-BILLION dollars of the roughly seven-BILLION-dollar annual bill.

Cameras apparently are going to be allowed in U-S courtrooms, at least on a limited basis. The Judicial Conference of the United States voted yesterday to authorize a limited, three-year experiment allowing cameras in selected

courtrooms for coverage of civil proceedings. The experiment starts July 1st, 1991.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

Batting
(Minimum 335 at-bats)
American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	437	107	143	.327
Brett, KC	496	77	162	.327
Palmeiro, Tex	525	65	170	.324
Trammell, Det	518	67	162	.313
Boggs, Bos	556	83	173	.311
Burks, Bos	511	79	157	.307
McGriff, Tor	482	84	148	.307
Parker, Mil	544	66	167	.307
Puckett, Min	487	79	149	.306
Harper, Min	435	58	133	.306

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Dykstra, Phi	529	97	178	.336
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Magadan, NY	387	66	128	.331
Murray, LA	488	84	155	.318
Dawson, Chi	466	60	145	.311
LSmith, Atl	401	61	124	.309
Gwynn, SD	566	77	175	.309
Grace, Chi	517	61	158	.306
DeShields, Mon	437	64	133	.304
Sandberg, Chi	547	102	166	.303

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 45; McGwire, Oak 37; Canseco, Oak 36; McGriff, Tor 34 and Deer, Mil 27.

National League - Mitchell, SF and Sandberg, Chi 34; Strawberry, NY 33; Bonilla, Pit 31; Williams, SF 30.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 117; McGwire, Oak 101; Gruber, Tor 99; Canseco, Oak 93; Sierra, Tex and Parker, Mil 87.

National League - Williams, SF 111; Carter, SD 105; Bonilla, Pit 105; Bonds, Pit 103; Strawbery, NY 97.

Doubles

American League - Brett, KC 43; Jo.Reed and Boggs, Bos 42; Calderon, Chi 40;Harper, Min 39; Puckett, Min 38.

National League - Jefferies, NY 38; Dykstra, Phi 35; Bonilla, Pit and Johnson, NY 34; Sabo, Cin, Roberts, SD, Presley, Atl and Wallach, Mtl 33.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 16; Sosa, Chi 9; Liriano, Min and Burks, Bos 8; Johnson, Chi, Brett, KC, Pettis, Tex and Eisenreich, KC 7.

National League - Duncan, Cin 11; Coleman, StL 9; Dunston, Chi, Gwynn, SD and Smith, Atl 8; Thompson, StL, Butler, SF 7.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 59; Sax, NY 36; Kelly, NY 34; Pettis, Tex 33; Calderon, Chi 31.

National League - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 56; Bonds, Pit 45; Nixon, Mtl 43 and Raines, Mtl 42.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 107; Fielder, Det 92; Yount, Mil 90; Franco Tex 86; Phillips, Det 85.

National League - Bonilla, Pit 104; Sandberg, Chi 102; Dykstra, Phi 97; Gant, Atl and Bonds, Pit 93.

Hits

American League - Boggs, Bos 173; Palmeiro, Tex 170; Parker, Mil 167; Griffey, Jr, Sea 166; Trammell, Det 162.

National League - Dykstra, Phi 178; Gwynn, SD 175; McGee, StL 168; Sandberg, Chi 166; Larkin, Cin and Wallach, Mon 165.

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 23; Clemens, Bos 20; Stewart, Oak 19; Stieb, Tor 18; Finley, Cal 17.

National League - Drabek, Pit 19; Viola, NY 18; Martinez, LA 17; Gooden, NY 16; Smoltz, Atl and Browning, Cin 13.

Earned Run Average
(Minimum 115 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 1.98; Finley, Cal 2.51; Stewart, Oak 2.77; Stieb, Tor 2.78; McCaskill, Cal, 2.81.

National League - Darwin, Hou, 2.04; Whitson, SD 2.42; Tudor, StL 2.43; Viola, NY 2.56; Drabek, Pit 2.63; Z. Smith, Pit 2.91; Martinez, Mtl 2.92.

Strikeouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 204; Ryan, Tex 197; Witt, Tex 196; Hanson, Sea 185; Johnson, Sea 177; Langston, Cal 174.

National League - Cone, NY 201; Martinez, LA 200; Gooden, NY 189; Smoltz, Atl 157; Fernandez, NY 156; Viola, NY 155.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi 49; Eckersley, Oak 42; Jones, Cle 34; Righetti, NY 31; Olson, Bal and Schooler, Sea 30.

National League - Franco, NY 31; Myers, Cin 29; Smith, StL 25; Lefferts, SD and Smith, Hou 23.

Complete Games

American League - Morris, Det 9; Stewart, Oak 8; Clemens, Bos 7; Gordon, KC, Brown and Witt, Tex, Leary, NY and Young, Sea 6.

National League - Martinez, LA 9; Maddux, Chi, Drabek, Pit, Martinez, Mtl, Hurst, SD and Viola, NY 7.

Shutouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 4; Appier, KC and Stewart, Oak 3; 11 players tied with 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner and Boyd, Mtl, Viola, NY; Whitson and Hurst, SD 3.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - Steve Adkins performed like a car with a faulty transmission.

Making his major league debut, the rookie walked eight of the 11 batters he faced in 1 1-3 innings Wednesday night, giving up three runs to help the Texas Rangers to a 5-4 victory over the New York Yankees.

''I kept missing the strike zone. I knew I would not get the calls from the umpires because I was all over the place,'' Adkins said. ''I thought I would cool off after the first inning (when he walked three) but then the wheels came off. I've just got to work on my mechanics. You've got to be a controlled pitcher to be effective in the major leagues.''

Texas took a 3-1 lead in the second when Adkins, 0-1, walked the final five batters he faced, allowing three runs without a base hit.

The Rangers drew a club-record 14 walks from five New York pitchers.

''I don't care how we score as long as we cross the plate,'' said Texas manager Bobby Valentine. ''I saw his (Adkins) minor league stats and I saw that he walks a lot of people.

Adkins walked 98 batters in 177 innings this season with Columbus (AAA) posting a 15-7 record and a 2.90 ERA.

Texas extended its lead to 5-2 in the fourth when, with two out, Rafael Palmeiro singled and scored on Ruben Sierra's double. Juan Gonzalez followed with a single up the middle, scoring Sierra.

Charlie Hough, 12-10, pitched 5 1-3 innings for the victory. Kenny Rogers, the fifth Rangers pitcher, recorded four outs to earn his 14th save.

Hough can commiserate with Adkins. He allowed 10 bases on balls, August 27 at California, to set the Rangers record.

The Yankees scored runs in the fifth and sixth on solo homers by Kevin Maas and Hensley Meulens. The homer was Maas' 17th of the season and the first of Muelens' major-league career.

--- AROUND THE AL ---

In other American League action, Oakland pounded Seattle 9-3, Boston pummeled Milwaukee 6-1, Baltimore edged Detroit 2-1, Cleveland routed Chicago 12-2, Kansas City downed Toronto 7-5, and California dropped Minnesota 8-6.

Athletics 9, Mariners 3

At Seattle, Terry Steinbach delivered a pinch-hit, two-run double to highlight a five-run sixth inning and lift Oakland. Scott Sanderson, pitching on two

days rest, allowed six hits over six innings to run his record to 16-9. Seattle rookie Mike Gardiner, 0-1, making his first major league start, allowed eight runs in 5 1-3 innings.

Red Sox 6, Brewers 1

At Boston, Mike Boddicker, receiving his first runs of the season while pitching against Milwaukee, tossed a seven-hitter and Luis Rivera slapped a two-run single carrying Boston. Boddicker, 15-8, fanned three and didn't walk a batter en route to his fourth complete game. Boston broke through in the first with its first run of the season against Teddy Higuera, 10-7.

Orioles 2, Tigers 1

At Baltimore, Jeff McKnight hit his first major-league home run and Cal Ripken singled in a run in a two-run eighth inning leading Baltimore. Ben McDonald, 7-4, earned the victory after Tiger starter Jack Morris took a two-hitter into the eighth. Morris gave up both runs and dropped to 11-18.

McDonald allowed three hits, struck out seven and walked three. It was his second complete game.

Indians 12, White Sox 2

At Cleveland, Brook Jacoby went 4 for 4 and Alex Cole collected four hits, tripled twice and scored three runs to power Cleveland. Bud Black, 11-10, allowed eight hits and two runs in seven innings. He struck out a season-high eight and did not walk a batter. Melido Perez, 12-14, allowed five runs and nine hits in 5 1-3 innings for the loss.

Royals 7, Blue Jays 5

At Kansas City, Mo., Bo Jackson hit a three-run home run and drove in another run and George Brett collected four hits helping Kansas City snap a nine-game losing streak. The decision cost the Blue Jays a game in the standings as Boston defeated Milwaukee 6-1 to move its AL East lead back to four games.

Tom Gordon, 11-10, carried a two-hitter into the seventh inning but was touched for four runs in the inning and had to be relieved by Steve Crawford.

Angels 8, Twins 6

At Anaheim, Calif., Devon White delivered a solo homer and two-run single to lift California. Rookie Joe Grahe, 2-3, earned the victory despite surrendering five runs on nine hits in his six innings. Willie Fraser pitched the final three innings for his third save. Twins' reliever Tim Drummond, 3-5, gave up four runs on five hits in his 1 2-3 innings to get the loss.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 13) UPI - Share prices on the Tokyo stock market eased Thursday in mixed trading.

The bellwether Nikkei average of 225 selected stocks rose in the morning but fell back under arbitrage selling to close down 141.06 points at 25,075.08.

The Nikkei had surged 611.48 points the day before.

The broader Tokyo Stock Price Index, which jumped 33.02 points Wednesday, barely moved, closing with a loss of 1.04 points at 1,912.68.

Volume continued to climb as an estimated 550 million shares changed hands, up marginally from 546.45 million the day before.

The market faced a tug-of-war through much of the day as investment trust buying wrestled with arbitrage selling to determine the market's direction, brokers said.

Despite the loss, analysts were unsure which way the market is poised to go. They pointed out that the much smaller loss in the TOPIX index of all major shares indicated that arbitrage - which centers on the Nikkei - was the major impetus for selling.

''The market was simply hovering,'' said analyst Tomoko Shimizu of Kokusai Securities Co.

Buyers went after so-called incentive-backed issues - those which promise gratis dividends or high earnings.

Selling hit some larger-capital stocks and banking shares lost widely.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Baseball

American League
New York at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Baltimore at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Boston at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Seattle, at California, 10:35 p.m.

Minnesota, at Oakland, 10:35 p.m.

National League
Philadelphia at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Pittsburgh at New York, 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
Houston at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.

Boxing

Duluth, Minn. - Aaron Davis vs. Billy Durbin, 10, welterweights;
Ricardo Cepeda vs. Albert Rendon, 10, featherweights.

Golf
Oakville, Ontario - PGA Canadian Open
Seattle - $300,000 LPGA Safeco Classic

Shooting
Fort Benning, Ga. - National 300-meter Rifle Championships

Softball
North Mankato, Minn. - Men's Major Fast Pitch National Championships

Tennis
Phoenix, Ariz. - $150,000 Arizona Classic
Tokyo - $150,000 Tokyo International Doubles

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Jennings lf	2	0	1	1	Reynolds 2b	3	0	0	0
Steinbach ph	1	0	1	2	Brumley cf	1	0	0	0
Lewis lf	1	1	1	0	Griffey lf	2	1	1	1
McGee cf	5	1	1	0	Cotto lf	0	0	0	0
Canseco rf	4	1	1	1	Griffey Jr cf	4	1	1	2
Bordick 3b	0	0	0	0	Schaefer 2b	0	0	0	0
Baines dh	3	1	0	1	Davis dh	3	0	1	0
McGwire ph	1	0	0	0	Buhner ph	1	0	0	0
Hassey ph	1	0	0	0	O'Brien 1b	3	0	1	0
Howitt 1b	4	2	1	1	TMartinez 1b	1	0	0	0
Randolph 3b	4	1	1	0	Briley rf	4	0	0	0
Quirk c	5	0	1	1	EMartinez 3b	3	0	1	0
Blankenship 3b	3	2	0	0	Sinatro c	1	0	0	0
Gallego ss	3	0	1	1	Valle c	1	1	1	0
					Bradley 3b	2	0	0	0

					Vizquel ss	2	0	1	0
Totals	37	9	9	8	Totals	31	3	7	3

Oakland	200	015	100	- 9
Seattle	200	010	000	- 3

E-O'Brien, Reynolds, Medvin. DP-Oakland 2. LOB-Oakland 8, Seattle 5. 2B- McGee EMartinez, Steinbach, O'Brien. 3B- Canseco, Howitt. HR-Griffey Jr (19). S-Vizquel. SF-Jennings.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Sndrsn (W 16-9)	6	6	3	3	2	2
Nelson	1	1	0	0	0	0
Klink	1	0	0	0	1	1
Chitren	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seattle						
Grdnr (L 0-1)	5 1-3	5	8	6	3	3
Lovelace	1-3	1	0	0	1	0
Medvin	1 1-3	2	1	0	0	0
Burba	2	1	0	0	1	2

WP-Sanderson, Medvin. HBP-By Gardiner (Gallego).

Umpires-Home, Kaiser; 1b, Johnson; 2b, McKean; 3b, Voltaggio.

T-2:33. A-14,427.

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 1b	4	1	1	0	Reed 2b	2	1	0	0
Gantner 2b	4	0	1	1	Quintana 1b	5	1	3	1
Sheffield 3b	4	0	1	0	Boggs 3b	5	1	2	1
Parker dh	4	0	2	0	Burks cf	4	0	3	2
Yount cf	4	0	1	0	Greenwell lf	4	0	1	0
Deer rf	4	0	0	0	Brunansky rf	4	1	1	0
Surhoff c	3	0	1	0	Marshall dh	4	0	0	0
McIntosh c	0	0	0	0	Pena c	3	2	2	0
Vaughn lf	3	0	0	0	Rivera ss	4	0	1	2
Spiers ss	3	0	0	0					
Totals	33	1	7	1	Totals	35	6	13	6

Milwaukee	000	001	000-	1
Boston	120	012	00x-	6

E-Deer, Higuera, Quintana, Spiers. DP-Milwaukee 2, Boston 2. LOB-Milwaukee 5, Boston 9. 2B-Boggs. 3B-Gantner, Molitor.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Milwaukee						
Higr (L 10-7)	6	12	6	5	3	3
Brown	2	1	0	0	0	1
Boston						
Bddckr (W 15-8)	9	7	1	1	0	3

HBP-by Brown (Reed). WP-Higuera 2, Brown.

T-2:18. A-29,098.

Umpires-Home, Phillips; 1b, Clark; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, McCoy.

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TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Kunkel ss	1	0	0	1	Kelly cf	3	1	1	1
Huson ss	3	0	0	0	Sax 2b	5	0	1	0
JoRussell dh	2	0	0	1	Maas 1b	4	1	1	1
Reimer dh	0	0	0	0	Hall dh	2	0	0	1
Pettis dh	1	0	0	0	Balboni dh	2	0	0	0
Palmeiro 1b	3	1	2	1	Barfield rf	4	0	0	0
Sierra rf	3	1	1	1	Meulens lf	4	1	2	1
Gonzalez cf	5	0	2	1	Leyritz 3b	3	1	1	0
Incaviglia lf	4	0	0	0	Dorsett c	3	0	1	0
Stanley c	1	1	0	0	Nokes ph	0	0	0	0
Petralli c	2	0	1	0	Cerone c	1	0	0	0
Buechele 3b	3	1	0	0	Espinoza ss	2	0	1	0
Coolbaugh 3b	2	1	0	0	Geren ph	1	0	0	0
					Daugherty ph	0	0	0	0
					Green ss	0	0	0	0
Totals	30	5	6	5	Totals	34	4	8	4

Texas	030	200	000-	5
New York	110	011	000-	4

E-Coolbaugh. DP-New York 2. LOB-Texas 14, New York 9. 2B-Sierra, Petralli.
HR-Maas (17), Meulens (1). S-Hall, Stanley. SF-Kelly.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Hgh (W 12-10)	5 1-3	5	4	4	1	1
JeRussell	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Jeffcoat	1	0	0	0	0	0
Arnsberg	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Rgrs (S 14)	1 1-3	1	0	0	1	2

New York							
Adkns (L 0-1)	1	1-3	0	3	3	8	1
Leiter	3	2-3	3	2	2	1	2
Hawkins	1	1-3	2	0	0	2	1
Cadaret	1	1-3	1	0	0	2	1
Robinson	1	1-3	0	0	0	1	1

HBP-by Hough 2 (Espinoza, Leyritz), by Leiter (Incaviglia).

WP-Hough, JeRussell, Arnsberg.

T-3:22. A-18,624.

Umpires-Home, McClelland; 1b, Denkinger; 2b, Shulock; 3b, Merrill.

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Phillips 3b	2	1	0	0	Finley rf	4	0	2	0
Whitaker 2b	4	0	1	0	Anderson cf	3	0	0	0
Trammell ss	4	0	0	0	CRipken ss	3	0	1	1
Fielder 1b	4	0	2	1	Horn dh	3	0	0	0
Sheets dh	4	0	0	0	Tettleton c	4	0	0	0
Ward lf	2	0	0	0	Hulett 3b	3	0	0	0
Shelby rf	3	0	0	0	Worthington 3b	0	0	0	0
Heath c	3	0	0	0	McKnight lf	3	1	1	1
Cuyler cf	3	0	0	0	Segui 1b	2	0	1	0
					BRipken 2b	3	1	0	0
Totals	29	1	3	1	Totals	28	2	5	2

Detroit	100	000	000-	1
Baltimore	000	000	02x-	2

E-Fielder. DP-Detroit 2, Baltimore 1. LOB-Detroit 4, Baltimore 6. 2B-Segui.
HR-McKnight (1). SB-Anderson 2 (10).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Mrrs (L 11-18)	8	5	2	2	4	8
Baltimore						
McDnld (W 7-4)	9	3	1	1	3	7

WP-Morris. T-2:35. A-23,350.

Umpires-Home, Hendry; 1b, Palermo; 2b, Reilly; 3b, Garcia.

TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
MWilson cf	5	1	2	1	Thurman rf	5	1	2	1
Fernandez ss	4	0	0	0	Seitzer 3b	4	0	0	0

Gruber 3b	4	0	1	2	Brett 1b	4	2	4	0
Bell dh	4	1	0	0	Jackson dh	3	2	2	4
McGriff 1b	4	0	0	0	Eisenreich lf	4	0	0	0
Ducey lf	3	1	2	1	Schulz rf	3	0	1	1
Hill lf	1	0	0	0	McRae cf	1	1	1	0
Borders c	4	0	1	0	Stillwell ss	4	1	1	0
Williams pr	0	0	0	0	Boone c	3	0	1	0
Diaz c	0	0	0	0	Shumpert 2b	0	0	0	0
Lee 2b	3	1	1	0	Jeltz 2b	3	0	2	1
Felix rf	3	1	1	1	Totals	35	5	8	5

Totals 34 7 14 7

Toronto	000	100	400-	5
Kansas City	300	120	01x-	7

E-McGriff, Seitzer, Felix. DP-Toronto 2, Kansas City 1. LOB-Toronto 6, Kansas City 7. 2B-Stillwell, Jackson, Ducey, MWilson, Borders. 3B-Brett 2. HR-Jackson (24).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
TStttlmyr (L 13-15)	5	10	6	6	2	1
Cerutti	2 2-3	4	1	1	1	0
Acker	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Kansas City						
Grdn (W 11-10)	6 2-3	6	5	4	3	6
Crawford	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
MDavis (S 6)	2	2	0	0	0	2

HBP-by TStottlemyre (Shumpert). T-2:51. A-20,135.

Umpires-Home, Cooney; 1b, Brinkman; 2b, Cousins; 3b, Reed.

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
Munoz lf	3	1	1	0	Schofield ss	5	1	3	0
Gladden lf	2	0	0	0	Ray 2b	5	2	2	1
Liriano 2b	4	2	1	1	Downing dh	2	1	1	1
Gaetti 3b	5	1	3	1	Winfield rf	3	1	2	0
Hrbek 1b	5	0	1	0	Bichette lf	4	1	1	0
Larkin rf	3	0	0	0	Stevens 1b	2	1	1	1
Mack cf	3	1	2	2	Parrish c	4	0	0	0
Bush dh	4	0	0	0	Howell 3b	3	0	0	1
Ortiz c	3	1	2	0	White cf	4	1	3	3
					Newman ss	0	0	0	0
					Gagne ss	3	0	1	1
					Moses ph	1	0	0	0
					Harper c	0	0	0	0

Totals 36

6 11 5	Totals	32	8 13	7		
Minnesota			100	022	100-	6
California			300	013	10x-	8

E-Schofield, Bichette, Parrish, Stevens. DP-Minnesota 2, California 3. LOB-Minnesota 7, California 6. 2B-Schofield, White. 3B-Liriano. HR-White (11), Ray (4). S-Winfield. SF-Stevens.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Casian	5	6	4	3	2	2
Drmmnd (L 3-5)	1 2-3	5	4	4	1	2
Wayne	0	0	0	0	1	0
Leach	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	1
California						
Grahe (W 2-3)	6	9	5	4	1	4
Fraser	2	2	1	0	1	0
Harvey (S 22)	1	0	0	0	1	1

HBP-by Grahe (Larkin). PB-Ortiz. T- 2:54. A-21,480.

Umpires-Home, Kosc; 1b, Morrison; 2b, Roe; 3b, Barnett.

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MANILA (SEPT. 13) UPI - Communist guerrillas Thursday proposed a national dialogue involving all political forces to discuss the future of U.S. military bases, the debt crisis and reforms in the troubled armed forces.

''Its a positive development,'' said President Corazon Aquino's deputy press secretary Horacio Paredes. ''They want to talk and I think it will be considered seriously by the government.''

Meanwhile, Aquino said Thursday she has taken measures to mitigate the imminent increase in cost of petroleum products in the wake of the Persian Gulf crisis. She also said she has enough powers to deal with expected protests ''without invoking martial law.''

The latest rebel proposal was contained in a statement sent to news agencies a day after Aquino suspended military operations against the guerrillas in Manila and areas devastated by the July 16 earthquake as a step toward the resumption of peace talks.

''We wish to go beyond two-way talks between Aquino and us,'' said the statement by the National Democratic Front, an umbrella organization for 14

leftist groups.

''The nation's problems are so serious and so basic that they are beyond the two parties to fully resolve,'' it said.

''We propose a national dialogue that will involve all political forces, whether above ground or underground,'' said the statement. It said it could include opposition parties, businessmen, Moslem separatists and rebel soldiers who have tried six times to oust Aquino.

''The agenda should be the fundamental problems plaguing the country today - U.S. military bases and national sovereignty, the implementation of genuine land reform and national industrialization, the financial crisis and foreign debt and aid and the reform of the AFP (Armed Forces of the Philippines),'' it said.

''Within this framework, we are open to a cease-fire,'' said the Front, which represented the communist New Peoples Army in peace talks that broke down in February 1987 over rebel demands for power-sharing.

The Philippines hosts six strategic U.S. facilities, including the sprawling Clark Air Base and Subic Bay Naval Complex. Talks on the renewal of U.S. basing rights were expected to resume on Monday.

All off-base leave and non-essential travel have been indefinitely suspended for some 41,000 servicemen stationed at the facilities following threats from the NPA, which has vowed to kill Americans until Washington withdraws its forces.

At least 10 Americans have been killed since October 1987 in attacks blamed on the 19,000-member NPA, which has been seeking the establishment of a Marxist state in the Philippines for 21 years .

Mutinous soldiers were not covered by Aquino's cease-fire directive because they have allegedly resumed hostilities against the government. The rebel soldiers have been blamed for a string of several dozen bombings in the capital.

In other developments, the military said suspected NPA assassins gunned down a constabulary sergeant outside Manila on Wednesday. A bystander was wounded.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - Summer refused to end in the West and Northeast Thursday as hot weather prompted a fight in Colorado among weather forecasters competing for the highest temperature while dense fog covered the Midwest.

Strong thunderstorms hit central and eastern Upper Michigan, and extended into Lake Superior, dumping heavy rain near Marquette and over Grand Island. A special marine warning was in effect for the area.

Showers also hit western North Carolina, where a thunderstorm with heavy rain hit Statesville, and Georgia, where low level flooding was reported as a large area of slow moving thunderstorms moved across the northwestern part of the state.

It was so hot in Colorado the National Weather Service said fighting broke out Wednesday among reporting stations for the highest temperatures. The contest was won by the town of Rifle with 98 degrees.

Except for the Oregon and Washington coasts, warm and hot weather prevailed Thursday in most of the West. Temperatures generally were expected to cool down to normal as the weekend approached.

Thick fog that cut visibility to near zero in some areas covered much of Ohio, northern Kentucky, Indiana and Lower Michigan. Visibility at Michigan's Flint Bishop airport dropped to half a mile, but reports of zero visibility were common across the region.

Summer-like temperatures and humidity persisted around New York City and Boston early Thursday, while thundershowers threatened and patchy fog was reported in western portions of New York state.

In western Pennsylvania, clouds moved in and threatened a slight chance of rain by later Thursday.

A weak high pressure system that has been stalled over the South moved slowly eastward, but humid weather broken by scattered thundershowers remained.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 13) UPI - Delta Air Lines said it will raise all fares 4.2 percent on Oct. 1, bringing the total increase in ticket prices to 9.5 percent since Aug. 30.

Delta is the second major airline to announce another fare increase this month to offset fuel costs that have escalated sharply in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Pan American World Airways has said it will raise fares 4.4 percent next Tuesday. Other major carriers, American, United, Eastern, Northwest and TWA, said they were considering fare increases.

Delta, which is based in Atlanta, said Wednesday its fuel costs rose 33 1/2 cents a gallon since July 31, which would amount to an annual cost increase of

$670 million.

Analysts said the fuel-price increase will cut deeply into airline earnings this year, changing what would have been a profitable year for the industry into a loss.

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BEIJING (SEPT. 13) UPI - China Thursday denounced as ''slander'' an Amnesty International report that 1,100 Chinese had been sentenced to death in a sweeping year-old crackdown, and again accused the human rights group of meddling in China's internal affairs.

Amnesty International's latest report said a roundup of criminal suspects and the exceptionally large number of executions comprised the most severe nationwide crackdown since 1983.

The latest crackdown began in the wake of China's violent suppression of nationwide pro-democracy protests.

China's Foreign Ministry normally rebuffs questions about domestic affairs,but typically prepares harsh responses to the London organization's accusations of human rights abuses, and the response delivered Thursday was no exception.

''On the question of human rights, there are always differing interpretations '' ministry spokeswoman Li Jinhua said at a weekly news briefing.

''Some organizations like Amnesty International have always tried to interfere in China's internal affairs on the human rights count. Their slandering and attacking of China is totally groundless,'' she said.

Li refused to comment on group's the specific charges.

The Amnesty report said 1,100 Chinese are known to have been sentenced to death in the last year and more than 500 have been executed this year alone.

The group expressed concern about a ''dramatic increase'' in death sentences ''because China's trial system falls far below international standards.''

''Those executed are among the 1,100 people we know have been sentenced to death in the past 12 months,'' Amnesty said. ''And while that number is high, it is only the tip of the iceberg.''

Among those receiving capital sentences were Chinese convicted of ''counterrevolutionary'' religious activities and of violence connected to last year's crushed pro-reform movement.

Most of the death sentences appear to have been meted out to people convicted of crimes of violence rather than of politics.

Many Chinese news accounts of the anti-crime crackdown have attributed it to a government desire to ''make China safe'' for this month's Beijing Asian Games.

Executions in China usually are carried out immediately upon conviction, typically by means of a pistol or rifle shot to the base of the neck.

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DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (SEPT. 13) UPI - Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, planned Thursday to tour U.S. military positions in eastern Saudi Arabia to assess the American forces.

Officials said America's highest-ranking serviceman would give a news conference later in the day, but security rules prevented them from revealing exact details of his itinerary.

Powell was to review American troops who were moved into Saudi Arabia following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2 and was scheduled on Friday to visit a U.S. naval vessel in the Persian Gulf before departing from the area.

Air Force Chief of Staff Michael Dugan has spent the last two days touring American-operated air facilities in the kingdom.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - The publisher of a book about the Mossad, Israel's intelligence agency, said a temporary ban on its sale is an unprecedented act of censorship by a foreign government.

State Supreme Court Justice Michael Dontzin on Wednesday ordered St. Martin's Press to stop both publication and distribution of the book, ''By Way of Deception: The Making and Unmaking of a Mossad Officer,'' by ex-agent Victor Ostrovsky and a Canadian journalist Claire Hoy.

Thomas McCormack, chief executive officer of St. Martin's, said he believed the judge's action ''marked the first time an American publisher or any media has been effectively muzzled by a foreign government.''

''We're distressed and angry that a foreign nation's attempt to enlist the support of an American court in banning a book has so far met with success,'' he said.

McCormack said he hoped to have the decision reversed by the Appellate

Division of New York State Supreme Court on Thursday, or at the latest, in a state Supreme Court hearing on Friday.

''The revelations in 'By Way of Deception' are astonishing and should be made public,'' McCormack said. ''They are profoundly embarrassing to the Israeli leadership. It is therefore not surprising that the Israeli government should want this book suppressed, but is surprising that an American court would assist it.''

The ruling on the 300-page book by Ostrovsky, a Canadian native who moved to Israel at age 2 and who was a Mossad agent from 1984 to 1986, came just one week after the Israeli government won a similar injunction from a court in Ontario, Canada.

Meanwhile, Ostrovsky's publisher said his client, who lives in Canada with his wife and two children, has gone into hiding after receiving a threatening visit from Israeli agents. Ostrovsky said he was offered money to stop publication of his book and now fears the spy agency may try to kill him.

The New York Times Thursday said it had reached Ostrovsky through the Canadian publisher, Stoddart Publishing Co., and that the author said he was ''sleeping in a different place every night'' after the visit by two former Mossad bosses.

The book says the Mossad knew in advance of the Oct. 23, 1983, terrorist bombing of U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut, Lebanon, but did not warn Washington because it hoped the attack would ruin U.S.-Arab relations. The Beirut explosion killed 241 servicemen. Israeli government sources have denied the story.

''The general attitude about the Americans was: 'Hey, they wanted to stick their nose into this Lebanon thing, let them pay the price,''' it said.

The book also details a June 1981 Israeli air raid against an Iraqi nuclear research facility in Baghdad. Israel was said to believe the facility was to be the base of an Iraqi effort to develop nuclear weapons.

The New York restraining order was issued as about 18,000 copies of the book were en route to bookstores. An additional 30,000 books were being withheld because of the order. Selected reviewers received copies last week.

Senior Israeli sources Tuesday told the Jerusalem newspaper Maariv that attempts to prevent the publication of Ostrovsky's book were a mistake.

But the newspaper also quoted sources close to Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir as saying the attempts to stop the publication were taken not only because the book could damage the Mossad and state security, but also because it would set a serious precedent.

The 1971 Pentagon Papers case - when the government of the United States failed to stop publication of confidential government documents - produced a ruling that it must be demonstrated a book will result in ''direct, immediate and irreparable damage'' to the nation or its people if its publication is to be stopped.

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#90256u0489 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 13) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed mixed Thursday amid a volatile last trading session for the September futures and options contracts.

The bellwether Nikkei Average of 225 selected stocks, which surged 611.48 points Wednesday, slipped 141.06 points to 25,075.08 in arbitrage selling.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, which jumped 33.02 points Wednesday, barely moved, closing with a loss of 1.04 points at 1,912.68.

Volume continued to climb as an estimated 550 million shares changed hands, up marginally from 547 million shares Wednesday.

Advances outnumbered declines 538 to 421, while 167 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange slipped in light, directionless trading with the Gulf crisis continuing to dampen action.

The Hang Seng Index, which gained 20.47 points Wednesday, shed 11.07 points to 3,093.93.

Among the narrower indexes, financials shed 8.55 points, utilities lost 9.53, industrials dropped 11.46, properties fell 18.27 points.

Volume remained light as an estimated 657 million shares changed hands, compared with 650 million shares Wednesday.

In Singapore, stocks dipped in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in line with the drop in Tokyo as institutional investors stayed away amid the ongoing stalemate in the Middle East.

The key Straits Times Industrial Index, which gained 5.56 points Wednesday, fell 6.94 points to 1241.80. The broader-based All Singapore Index slipped 0.75 points to 350.42.

An estimated 51.6 million shares changed hands, compared with 65.3 million shares Wednesday.

In Australia, stocks closed lowqer in light trading on the Sydney Sharemarket

amid some disappointing corporate earnings.

The All Ordinaries Index, which gained 13.2 points Wednesday, fell 17.8 points to 1,494.7. The Gold Index fell 3.1 points to 1,483.0.

An estimated 59.8 million shares changed hands, compared with 77.8 million shares Wednesday.

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#90256u0525 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 13) UPI - In the Philippines, communist guerrillas today proposed a national dialogue to discuss the future of U-S military bases, the debt crisis and other issues. A spokesman for President Aquino calls it ''a positive development,'' and says he thinks ''it will be considered seriously by the government.'' The rebel offer comes one day after Aquino suspended military operations against the guerrillas.

NASA plans to re-start the countdown Saturday for the launch of the shuttle Columbia. Engineers think they have finally fixed an elusive hydrogen leak that grounded Columbia last week. The shuttle is scheduled to lift-off before dawn Tuesday to kick off a 10-day astronomy mission originally set for May. Fuel leaks have been the main cause of delay.

A new study indicates Alzheimer's disease apparently has multiple causes, like heart disease and cancer. A researcher at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston says his international team found ''the first really solid evidence that there is more than one cause'' for the ailment. The findings were published yesterday in the British scientific journal Nature.

Union and management negotiators have two days left to agree on economic concessions that might save the New York Post. Publisher Peter Kalikow has set tomorrow night as the deadline for reaching agreement, or folding the paper. Kalikow said that he wants to keep the paper open, but is NOT willing to put more money into it. He says the Post has cost him more than 100-Million dollars since he acquired it in 1988.

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#90256u0557 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (SEPT. 13) UPI - The International Monetary Fund is confident the Gulf crisis will not push the United States into a recession, IMF Senior Adviser Charles Gardner said Thursday.

''Previously, we were not anticipating any recession and even with the Gulf crisis we still do not think a U.S. recession is in the cards,'' Gardner said after releasing the IMF's annual report for the year ended April 30.

Gardner said that prior to the outbreak of the Gulf crisis, there was some hope of an improvement in the U.S. fiscal position.

''In 1987 and 1988, the U.S. in fact managed to reduce its government deficit by a significant two percentage points of gross national product. But now more needs to be done,'' he said.

Gardner said on the basis of the IMF's preliminary calculations based on oil prices at $25 a barrel, inflation and interest rates in the industrial countries were likely to rise by about half a percentage point each in 1990 and 1991.

The hike in oil prices was expected to place additional pressure on the IMF's projection - made before the outbreak of the crisis - of a 4.5 percent inflation rate for the world economy in 1990 and in 1991.

''However, it is very difficult to gauge the actual situation as we do not know how high the oil prices will wind up and for how long they will stay there,'' Gardner said.

''But if the Gulf situation really persists and is prolonged, the inflationary rate would not only be higher but would tend to reduce growth levels globally, even below the figures we have projected.''

He said the positive effect of higher oil prices on oil-exporting debtor developing countries far outweighed the negative impact the crisis would have on oil-importing debtor developing countries.

''Contrary to what was imagined, the impact on debtor developing countries, as a group, could still be positive,'' Gardner said.

He said debtor developing countries which are heavily dependent on oil imports would be assisted in meeting their oil-import bills by the IMF and others.

On the outlook for the world economy over the next two years, Gardner said, ''The scenario will be a slowing economy but accompanied by a stabilizing rate of growth in inflation.''

He said developing countries as a group were expected to experience a strong resumption of growth from 1991 after slower growth as a result of a tightening of their economies and monetary and budgetary policies over the past few years.

''They can depend on growth speeding up in the years ahead,'' Gardner said.

Regarding world trade, Gardner said the IMF had predicted growth in terms of volume would also decline somewwat this year after softening to 7.5 percent in 1989 from 9 percent in 1988.

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#90256u0601 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 13) UPI - Nearly 300 Americans who were trapped in Kuwait are scheduled to arrive in Raleigh, North Carolina, today. One woman said her trip from Kuwait to Baghdad was the first time she had come out of hiding since the Iraqi invasion on August 2nd. .

Iraq and Iran are putting nearly 10 years of hostility behind them and teaming up against the U-S presence in the Persian Gulf. Iran's spiritual leader says Moslems ''will NOT permit'' American forces to stay in the region.

The Senate Judiciary Committee opens hearings today on the Supreme Court nomination of David Souter. Some committee members say they expect specific answers from Souter regarding his view on abortion and other matters.

Abortion rights supporters in Michigan are gearing up for a legal battle to overturn a newly passed law requiring girls under 18 to get parental consent before obtaining an abortion. The Michigan Legislature passed the veto-proof bill yesterday.

White House and congressional budget negotiators will meet through tomorrow in an effort to fashion a deficit-reducing agreement by October 1st. One proposal includes a luxury tax on such items as expensive cars, private boats and furs.

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#90256u0602 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

CUSTER, SD (SEPT. 13) UPI - Firefighters from several volunteer departments and state and federal agencies Thursday battled a fast-moving blaze that has engulfed an estimated 5,000 acres of land in the Black Hills.

Officials Wednesday night evacuated a number of homes in the Bluebell and Mt. Coolidge area as winds and high temperatures fueled the fire, said Charlene Heilman, spokeswoman for the Custer County Sheriff's office. Officials also evacuated the Bluebell Lodge and a youth forestry camp, she said.

''It's going real fast and far,'' Heilman said. ''One firefighter estimated it has covered 5,000 acres. We've had such a lush and beautiful summer, the undergrowth is thicker than usual. But now that it's becoming fall, the brush is drying out,'' she said.

So far, the blaze has not claimed any structures, she said. It was not known exactly how many families were evacuated since many of the homes were summer residences and may not have been occupied, Heilman said.

''About 20 of the families have gone to the Custer Armory, but a lot have gone to stay with family and friends,'' she said.

The fire Wednesday night jumped state Route 87 and spread into Custer State Park, Heilman said.

Fire officials, concerned about a possible explosion, pumped out a 3, 000 gallons of gasoline from a tank at the Bluebell Lodge, she said.

Todd Phillipe, National Forest Service Public Service information director, said the fire is burning ''really hot'' because of high temperatures, low humidity and winds of 10 to 15 mph.

The fire, believed to be ''human caused,'' was first reported at about 10:30 a.m. Wednesday on National Forest Service land near the Battle Mountain Lookout station, Phillipe said.

Two air tankers from Denver were dispatched to help fight the fire, which is being handled by fire trucks, bulldozers, helicopters and a crew of about 60 firefighters. A third tanker is being sent but it was not known when it would be on the scene to help battle the fire.

Crews fighting the blaze include firefighters from Custer, Pringle and Hot Springs and crews from the South Dakota National Guard, Wind Cave National Park, Custer State Park, the National Forest Service, and the state Division of Forestry.

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#90256u0604 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 13) UPI - London-based Amnesty International says Chinese firing squads have executed more than 500 people this year during the most severe crackdown on crime since 1983. The human rights organization adds the scope of the death penalty has been broadened.

NASA engineers say they've repaired the hydrogen leak aboard the shuttle Columbia and are ready to clear the way for a fourth launch attempt on Tuesday morning. The new countdown is set to begin Saturday morning.

More health warnings for people who smoke crack cocaine. Researchers in Boston say there's a strong link between crack use and strokes among young users. The scientists say it's like playing ''Russian roulette'' with the brain's blood vessels.

In Gainesville, Florida, today, about 200 National Guard troops, reserve officers and police will search for clues to the murders of five young college students in the woods near a chief suspect's apartment.

The 16th child to be hit by random gunfire in New York City remains in satisfactory condition after being shot last night. Police say the 12-year-old

boy was playing outside when he heard shots, dived for cover and was grazed in the head.

A set of quadruplets born in Irvine, California, yesterday are reported to be in serious but stable condition. What makes the multiple birth of three girls and one boy so unique is that the mother did NOT take fertility drugs.

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#90256u0619 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 13) UPI - Survivors of the U.S. atomic bomb attack on Hiroshima said Thursday they have written a protest letter to the pilot of the plane that dropped the device who was reported to have toured the United States selling A-bomb memorabilia.

The Japan Confederation of A- and H-bomb Sufferers Organizations sent a letter to Paul Tibbets, pilot of the Enola Gay, asking him to stop trying to make a profit from their tragedy that killed ''innocent people like mere worms in the hellish configuration.''

''A news report says that you have started a tour of booty, hawking 'A-bomb goods,''' said the letter dated Sept. 7. ''In the name of humanity, and along with all the people who love peace, we strongly condemn this anti-human and immoral behavior.''

''We want to ask you, Mr. Paul Tibbits, how do you see the fact that some 65 percent of the people who died in agony from the bombing ... were children, women and the elderly,'' said the letter, signed by Satoru Konishi, the director of the group's international commission and himself a victim of the Hiroshima bombing.

The group also sent Tibbets two volumes of eyewitness accounts of the Aug. 6, 1945, bombing that killed 140,000 people.

The Asahi Shimbun, a major Japanese newspaper, published a story in August, saying Tibbets was touring the United States selling A-bomb memorabilia. The group wrote Tibbets in response to the news story, a spokeswoman said.

The Japan Confederation of A- and H-bomb Sufferers Organizations has approximately 200,000 members. They estimate there are 360,000 people suffering from the aftereffects of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki still living in Japan.

''You and President Harry Truman killed those innocent people like mere worms in the hellish conflagration,'' the letter said. ''An another hundreds of thousands who barely escaped the immediate death, had to suffer from acute symptoms and delayed effects of the A-bomb radiation.

''Have you ever turned your ears to the appeal from the Hibakusha (bomb victims),'' the letter asked.

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#90256u0632 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (SEPT. 13) UPI - Cambodian leaders, who this week reached a breakthrough agreement on a peace plan, tentatively agreed Thursday to hold the first meeting of a council joining the four battling factions on Monday in Bangkok, officials said.

Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen said the Supreme National Council should name Cambodia's new joint delegation to the United Nations, appoint a Council chairman, consider a moratorium on foreign arms aid and discuss a voluntary cease-fire.

All four questions may be difficult for the opposing groups to settle, but there were no signs of pulling back from the agreement reached in Jakarta, Indonsia on Monday to form the Council and follow a U.N. peace plan to end the 11-year-old conflict.

Thai foreign ministry officials said representatives of the three resistance factions met Kasem Samosorn Kasemsi, the permanent secretary of the ministry, to discuss opening the first Council meeting in Bangkok.

''From the attitude of the representatives, it looks like it will probably go ahead on Monday, but they have to officially report to their superiors before the date and venue can be confirmed,'' said one official.

Thai Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan told reporters that since the Council was Cambodian, it should meet at the former Cambodian embassy.

Work crews began cleaning out the embassy building that has rarely been used since the U.S.-backed Cambodian government fell to the hard- line communist Khmer Rouge in 1975. The Khmer Rouge regime, which has been accused of killing at least 1 million Cambodians, was ousted by a 1978 Vietnamese invasion that installed the current Cambodian government of Hun Sen.

Hun Sen proposed the date and venue for the meeting in discussions with Chatichai Wednesday night.

He left for home Thursday, but said he and the other five government representatives on the 12-man Council were ready to return to Bangkok by Monday.

Continuing an analogy of getting all four factions aboard the same boat headed towards a peace settlement, he said ''the most important thing is to get the boat to go. Now we have the key to start the engine, but we don't know whether

it will start or not.''

Hun Sen said without a formal peace agreement, any cease-fire would have to be based on self-restraint. He said assistance from the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, who worked out the U.N. peace plan, would be invaluable for a workable cease-fire.

The leader of the Vietnamese-installed government reacted coolly when asked whether he would agree to having resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk as chairman of the Supreme National Council.

''Right now we respect his decision to take a rest. We do not want to bother him,'' he said.

Sihanouk refused to attend the Jakarta meeting and then announced he was taking a six-month leave of absence from all duties because of health problems.

Hun Sen met with senior diplomats from France and the Soviet Union, but Chinese, British and U.S. diplomats turned down his invitations for meetings.

A U.S. embassy spokesman said Ambassador Daniel O'Donohue had declined the invitation, but noted the U.S. Ambassador to Indonesia John Monjo had met Hun Sen in Jakarta and the charge d' affairs at the U.S. embassy in Laos had meetings with Cambodian embassy officials earlier this month.

The meetings were the first political meetings between U.S. officials and officials of the government that was installed by Vietnam.

China, which is the main backer of the Khmer Rouge resistance faction, announced Wednesday it was prepared to meet with Hun Sen's government for the first time, but gave no further details.

Strong pressure from China and the Soviet Union, which supplies the Hun Sen government, has been credited with bringing the opposing parties closer together after more than 11 years of bitter conflict.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	89	63	....
Anchorage cy	61	52	.44
Asheville ts	83	65	.48
Atlanta cy	88	72	.43
Baltimore cy	86	68	.03
Billings pc	93	56	....

Birmingham ts	94	71	.77
Bismarck w	92	63	....
Boston sy	77	65	....
Brownsville ts	90	74	.90
Buffalo pc	79	56	....
Burlington Vt. pc	82	59	....
Charleston S.C. pc	85	76	....
Charlotte pc	87	72	.09
Chicago sy	85	63	....
Cincinnati sh	75	65	.03
Cleveland pc	81	63	....
Columbus Ohio pc	77	67	1.53
Dallas cy	88	69	....
Denver sy	92	61	....
Des Moines sy	88	64	....
Detroit pc	83	65	....
Duluth ts	73	50	.01
El Paso sy	93	59	....
Evansville ts	79	68	.06
Fargo w	88	71	....
Hartford sy	81	63	....
Honolulu pc	89	76	.01
Houston ts	80	73	.05
Indianapolis pc	80	67	....
Jackson Miss. ts	87	71	.05
Jacksonville pc	91	71	....
Kansas City sy	88	78	....
Las Vegas sy	106	74	....
Little Rock ts	89	70	.22
Los Angeles f	94	69	....
Louisville cy	75	70	.34
Memphis ts	87	70	2.27
Miami Beach pc	85	78	.04
Milwaukee sy	85	66	....
Minneapolis w	90	69	....
Nashville ts	78	70	.09
New Orleans ts	78	72	2.06
New York cy	82	70	....
Oklahoma City sy	85	68	.01
Omaha sy	91	63	....
Orlando pc	92	75	.01
Philadelphia cy	86	71	....
Phoenix sy	105	83	....
Pittsburgh pc	74	64	.07
Portland Me. cy	65	61	....
Portland Ore. f	71	50	....
Providence sy	73	64	....
Richmond ts	86	69	....

St. Louis sy	86	69	....
Salt Lake City hot	99	59	....
San Antonio ts	85	70	1.33
San Diego pc	80	62	....
San Francisco pc	78	57	....
San Juan pc	88	75	....
Seattle sy	66	54	....
Spokane sy	75	49	....
Tampa pc	93	76	.02
Washington cy	86	70	.03
Wichita sy	87	65	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90256u0647 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 12: Purchases of 354,325 shares and sales of 531,246 shares including 110,852 shares sold short.

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#90256u0664 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (SEPT. 13) UPI - An unemployed youth broke into the cockpit of an Indian Airlines Boeing 737 passenger plane Thursday and made an abortive attempt to hijack the aircraft to Sri Lanka, the Press Trust of India news agency said.

The incident occurred moments after a state-owned Indian Airlines plane took off from Coimbatore, about 1,250 miles south of New Delhi, bound for the southern Indian city of Bangalore, the news agency said.

A passenger, later identified as T. Mahalingam, broke into the cockpit and ordered the pilot to fly to Colombo, the capital of the nearby Indian Ocean island nation of Sri Lanka, the agency said.

The Press Trust said that Mahalingam, an unemployed youth, displayed a round object which he claimed was a hand grenade, and threatened to blow up the plane if the pilot failed to do as he was told. The object later turned out to be a bar of soap, the news agency said.

The pilot convinced the hijacker the plane was enroute to Colombo, but landed on schedule at Bangalore, where the youth was arrested by police, the Press Trust said.

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#90256u0666 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled 382,000 for the week ending Sept. 1, an increase of 12, 000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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#90256u0685 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 13) UPI - The Italian grain trading firm that was the target of an emergency order in the July 1989 soybean futures contract at the Chicago Board of Trade has filed suit against the exchange.

Ferruzzi Finanziaria and its Central Soya unit, in a petition filed Wednesday, accused former CBOT Chairman Karsten Mahlmann and other officials of ''manipulating soybean prices downward ... to avoid losses to their firms,'' the Chicago Sun-Times reported Thursday.

Mahlmann had a conflict of interest because he presided over a trading firm that ''was in a precarious financial condition and might have failed had the order not been issued,'' the lawsuit said.

Mahlmann resigned his positions as chairman of the Stotler Group and the CBOT on the same day.

The petition seeks at least $30 million in damages and said Ferruzi faces disciplinary action by the exchange based on its trading of soybean futures contracts in the summer of 1989.

The CBOT board issued an emergency order requiring liquidation of large positions in July 1989 soybean futures, fearing that Ferruzzi was trying to corner the market.

CBOT counsel Scott Early told the newspaper there is no basis for the lawsuit.

''The litigation is the last act of a desperate company,'' he said. ''We will resist it fully. We're not going to let these kind of spurious lawsuits interfere with our obligation to protect our markets.''

In a separate petition, Ferruzzi asked the court to block a disciplinary hearing that exchange officials have scheduled for next week.

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#90256u0692 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 13) UPI - General Colin Powell is touring U-S military positions in eastern Saudi Arabia today to get a first-hand look at American troop deployments in the region. Officials say Powell, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, will hold a news conference later today. He's to visit a U-S naval vessel in the Persian Gulf tomorrow. .

Iran's spiritual leader wants Moslems to join in a holy war to force U-S troops out of the Persian Gulf. Ayatollah Ali Khamenei issued the call yesterday, undercutting Iran's earlier condemnation of Iraq's annexation of Kuwait. Khamenei says any Moslem killed in the holy war against Americans will be considered a martyr.

China accuses the human rights group Amnesty International of meddling in its internal affairs. The charge follows Amnesty's latest report saying there's been a ''dramatic increase'' in death sentences in China. Amnesty says 11-hundred people were given death sentences in the past year, and more than 500 have been executed.

Salvadoran peace talks resume today in Costa Rica. El Salvador's President Alfredo Cristiani says the government will present the same proposals for military reforms that were rejected by the rebels in two previous rounds of talks. It was failure to agree on demilitarization that stalled the previous talks.

A U-S military team goes to Hanoi today to pick up suspected remains of 20 Americans missing in action in Vietnam. The remains will be brought to a U-S identification lab in Hawaii for examination in hopes of making individual identifications. 16-hundred-77 Americans are still listed as missing in Vietnam.

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#90256u0695 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 13) UPI - Mayor Wilson Goode said Wednesday the city would delay its sale of $375 million in short-term loan notes for at least a week.

The notes were due to go on sale Wednesday but things went awry when a Swiss bank withdrew its backing for $50 million of the notes. Swiss Bank Corp. was the only outside backer of the issue.

Goode, in an evening news conference, said more time was needed to attract interest in the bond sale.

The $375 million is needed to cover a cash shortage until property and business tax revenues begin coming in next year.

Without the cash from the notes, the city may run out of operating cash this fall, according to city officials and financial experts.

The city had been trying unsuccessfully to get local bank backing for the notes. While the Swiss bank had agreed to guarantee $50 million worth of the notes, the city was forced to serve as sole backer for the remaining $325 million.

Swiss Bank Corp. officials said Wednesday they opted out of the deal when the city failed to meet certain conditions stipulated in the agreement. Those conditions were not disclosed.

The notes, if issued, must be paid off on May 31. In the face of the city's $206 million budget deficit projected for this year, many investors may be concerned over whether the notes will be paid off.

Goode said he has ordered the city's finance department to set aside city funds in secured accounts to cover long-term-debt payments should the loan-note sale not go off.

Goode said he has also ordered the finance department to make a list of extraordinary budget measures that could be instituted to keep the city from running out of cash.

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#90256u0714 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $382.30, silver base of $4.82 and platinum price of $457.40:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$398.10	399.30
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	204.20	204.90
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	104.90	105.20
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.30	43.50

Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	398.10	399.30
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	204.20	204.90
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.40	105.70
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.30	43.50
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	404.50	405.70
China Panda .50 troy oz.	208.40	209.00
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.10	108.40
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.70	46.80
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.90	28.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	398.20	399.40
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	203.50	204.10
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	102.80	103.10
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.30	44.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	396.70	397.60
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	205.30	205.80
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.40	105.60
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.80	44.90
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	396.50	397.40
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	203.90	204.40
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.50	86.70
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.30	45.40
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.10	23.10
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.22	$6.25
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,500	$3,520
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,525	$1,525
Platinum		
Australian Koala	490.00	479.00
Isle of Man Noble	469.00	467.00
Canada Maple Leaf	460.00	479.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90256u0720 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 13) UPI - GLOBEX, the automated after-hours trading system for futures and options, is expected to be in operation during the first quarter of 1991, officials said Thursday.

The Chicago Mercantile Exchange, Chicago Board of Trade and Reuters Holdings

PLC are developing GLOBEX as a joint venture.

Officials said they are pleased with the results of testing of the system's functions and capacity.

''However, this testing is taking longer than anticipated and it has also been necessary to make systems modifications in support of the exchanges' combined volume and instruments,'' according to a news release.

Subject to completion of negotiations and the subsequent approval by the CBOT Board of Directors and membership, GLOBEX should be launched early next year.

Original plans were to implement the system this fall.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - Each year, out of a defense budget of $300 billion, the United States spends as much as $170 billion to defend Europe, Japan, Korea and other allies.

That drain on the treasury - a legacy of the Cold War - has grated on a Congress struggling with rising deficits, trade imbalances and a national debt that now tops $3.16 trillion.

And the fact that Germany and Japan - beneficiaries of U.S. defense spending over the years - have done relatively little to help bear the cost of massive military response to the Persian Gulf crisis has added fuel to the debate during consideration of the $283 billion 1991 defense authorization bill.

Wednesday, the House sent a strong message of dissatisfaction to Japan, voting 370-53 to put Tokyo on notice that if it does not start covering more of the roughly $7 billion it costs to support the 50,000 U.S. troops in Japan, the United States will start withdrawing the protective shield. Japan now pays about $2.4 billion of the $7 billion bill.

It was one of several votes on the general topic. Members rejected, 265-157, a move to cap the number of troops in South Korea at 30,000, requiring a cut of an additional 6,000 above the 7,000 now due to be pulled out over three years.

Another vote saw a 249-174 endorsement of the bill's demand that the 401st Tactical Air Wing of 72 F-16s, now being forced out of Spain, come back to the United States. The bill orders the Pentagon to drop plans for a new base for the planes at Cretone, Italy, on the southern flank of the NATO alliance. It also would require ''dual-basing,'' or rotating troops through Europe on short tours, rather than permanently basing units there.

The House was also refighting the battle of how much money to give to the

Strategic Defense Initiative. The bill provides $2.9 billion of the $4.6 billion the administration sought for ''Star Wars'' work, and the Senate's version of the bill provides $3.57 billion.

The issue was put over for a decision until Thursday. The amendment likely to prevail - over ones to slash the program back to $1.5 billion or to boost spending to the Senate level - would cut it back to $2.3 billion. That would give the House leverage in negotiations with the Senate.

Also discussed briefly was earmarking $200 million of the bill for the start of a program to help in the economic conversion of U.S. defense industries and defense workers as the military budget declines.

For any number of reasons, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the bill would be veto material for President Bush because of its proposed cuts in his requests for weapons, troops and flexibility in restructuring U.S. defenses.

Of the vote to pull American troops out of Japan, Fitzwater said, ''We don't think that's an appropriate way to conduct foreign policy or gauge our relationship with Japan.''

During the burden-sharing debate, Rep. Patricia Schroeder, D-Colo., noted that on the issue of financing gulf operations, Germany ''told us to take a walk: No troops, no ships, no money. Nein.''

Rep. David Bonior, D-Mich., author of the amendment to cut troop levels in Japan if it does not start paying the bill for the U.S. forces there, noted that Japan relies heavily on Persian Gulf oil, but has made only a small contribution to the operation - $1 billion, with conditions.

He told the House that ''collective defense means collective responsibility. ... It is a clear message that Japan must pay its share of the burden. ... We're tired of carrying the Japanese economy on the backs of American workers.''

''We should not be subsidizing our toughest trading partner,'' said Bonior, calling his amendment ''a wake up call, a real wake up call, for the new world order.''

Rep. David Martin, R-N.Y., countered Bonior, saying, ''Those 50,000 troops are there for our defense and not the defense of Japan. ... However you feel about the Japanese and their lack of contribution today, please don't make a decision that is going to hurt our national security.''

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BANGKOK, THAILAND (SEPT. 13) UPI - A giant U.S. Air Force C-5 Galaxy transport plane missed a Qantas airliner with 382 people aboard by only 50 feet in a near collision over southern Thailand, the Australian airline said Thursday.

''Qantas has launched a full investigation into a near miss between one of its (Boeing) 747-400s and a United States Air Force C-5 Galaxy over Thailand on Tuesday,'' said the statement issued by the Qantas office in Bangkok.

A spokesman for the U.S. embassy said he had no information about the incident.

The Qantas statement said the C-5, the largest aircraft used by the U.S. Air Force, was heading in a northerly direction when it passed directly above the Qantas aircraft, which was heading east.

The statement said pilots of the two aircraft estimated they missed each other by only 50 feet. The incident occurred at 4:31 p.m. above Phuket, about 450 miles south of Bangkok, it said.

The Qantas plane, flight Qf10 from London to Singapore, was carrying 360 passengers and 22 crew members, it said.

In Washington, Air Force Capt. George Assilia said, ''Apparently an Air Force C-5 and a Qantas Airways 747, both traveling at 37,000 feet and in control on Bangkok (Thailand) center, had a near collision or came too close. I don't have specifics.''

''Both planes continued on their routes and there was no evasive action and no injuries,'' Assilia said, adding his information was based on a report from Qantas airline. He also said he did not know destination of the C-5.

There was speculation the American plane may have been involved in the operation to bring troops and supplies to U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf. Earlier this month, Thai officials said the United States had asked permission for refueling in Thailand for flights to the gulf area.

The Qantas statement indicated the near collision may have resulted from an error in the timing of the flights. It said Thailand Air Traffic Control said the Qantas flight was expected over Phuket at 4:31 p.m., while the Air Force plane was expected in the same position at 4:13 p.m.

A Qantas official in Bangkok said both planes were flying at about 37,000 feet.

The Qantas statement quoted Ted Radford, the airline's deputy chief executive, as saying he already dispatched a Qantas safety inspector to Thailand investigate the incident.

''We are treating this near miss with the utmost concern,'' he said.

Radford said the airline was working with the Australian Bureau of Air Safety Investigation ''to find out what happened and how we might prevent a recurrence.''

Phuket air traffic control was involved in another near collision in 1987, when a Thai domestic airliner maneuvered to avoid a Dragonair plane from Hongkong. The planes avoided colliding, but the Thai aircraft stalled and plunged into the sea, killing all 83 people aboard.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 13) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis has torn down the foreign-policy facade that Japan so carefully erected at the Houston summit in July, reviving doubts whether the nation can play a full role as a member of the Western alliance.

In Houston, Japan boldly proclaimed an independent line on China and resisted German efforts at a consensus on aiding the Soviet Union.

Weeks later, Japan trailed its allies in slapping sanctions on Iraq for invading Kuwait and then bogged down over what to do next.

Snarled as much by bureaucratic and political inertia as by its anti- military constitution, Japan appears to have reverted to its familiar policy of trying to find the minimum concession needed to satisfy its allies, especially the United States.

After nearly a month of wrangling over what contribution Japan might make to the U.S.-led multinational force in Saudi Arabia, Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu announced in late August that Japan would send 100 medical personnel, some civilian transport and $1 billion for logistical support.

While the United States welcomed the statement as a ''first step,'' Kaifu said it was the maximum his nation could offer.

Two weeks later, with the U.S. Congress making angry noises, Japan reportedly has agreed to double the figure and has revived the idea of sending 1,000 or more non-combat troops to the gulf.

Foreign Ministry officials have expressed frustration at the apparent lack of appreciation in the West of Japan's contributions.

They noted with alarm that Americans responding to a Newsweek poll pointed to Japan as the country that had been least helpful in the crisis, trailing even the Soviet Union, which has not contributed any funds and still maintains military advisers in Iraq.

''If they could see how hard everyone is working, day and night in all the different ministries, they would not think so (little of Japan's effort),'' said Taizo Watanabe, the ministry's chief spokesman.

What he failed to say, though, was that much of that hard work was going into fighting with the other ministries.

The gulf crisis has highlighted how remarkably weak and fractured Japan's government really is.

When Kaifu joked and debated with the leaders of major Western countries in Houston, the Japanese media applauded him for filling the role of a strong, assertive leader that had so often been lacking in Japan.

But Kaifu then was acting on two issues on which the Japanese establishment had already reached consensus - normalizing relations with China and keeping the Soviets at bay.

When the gulf crisis broke, Kaifu simply lacked the power to line up his bureaucracy and party behind a policy.

Kaifu is extraordinarily weak in that he has no power base within the Liberal Democratic Party, over which he nominally presides. But even a comparatively strong figure like former Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone was unable to prod the government into a positive reaction in the gulf shipping crisis of 1987 during the Iran-Iraq war.

Despite Japan's 70 percent dependence on Middle East oil, Nakasone could not win approval for sending minesweepers to the gulf to protect oil tankers.

Key members of his Cabinet feared to do so would upset Japan's Middle East policy - to tilt toward the Arabs rather than Israel, but otherwise not take sides in a regional conflict that might threaten the flow of oil.

This has since come to be known in Japan as the ''clean hands'' policy among those who want the nation to maintain an independent role in the gulf crisis, one primarily concerned with the release of 141 Japanese hostages in Iraq.

The ''clean hands'' people tend to overlap with those who believe Japan's Constitution - which bars the use of force in international conflicts - disqualifies the nation from doing anything, even giving money, to help confront Iraq.

Notable among these is Takako Doi, the charismatic leader of the nation's largest opposition party, the Japan Socialists.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Colin Powell, is scheduled to tour U-S military positions in Saudi Arabia today, and a U-S naval vessel in the Persian Gulf. Officials say security rules prevent them from revealing Powell's exact location, but they say he will give a news conference later today. Powell is the nation's highest-ranking serviceman. .

Looking tired and drained, hundreds of foreigners arrived in London last night following a long journey that began in Kuwait. Among the foreigners were 300 Americans who are traveling to North Carolina this morning. One former hostage said she hid out in Kuwait for six weeks because she was too scared to venture outside. Another said conditions are getting worse in the occupied country and medical supplies are in short supply.

Witnesses in South Africa say authorities trying to end a utility payment boycott shutoff electricity to two black townships today. The cut-offs affect some 500-thousand people in two satellite cities east of Johannesburg that have been rocked by black-on-black fighting. Volunteer doctors and social workers say there's total ''chaos'' with people panicking in the streets.

David Souter goes before the Senate Judiciary Committee today for hearings on his nomination to the U-S Supreme Court. Committee members on the Democrat-dominated panel are expected to question the 50- year-old New Hampshire judge on a wide range of issues, including abortion. The White House has expressed confidence the Senate will approve Souter.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - William Zeckendorf, one of the key players of the New York real estate market in the 1980s, has been hit by the crisis affecting the industry, the Wall Street Journal said Thursday.

''In New York City's tottering real estate market, apparently no one is immune '' the daily business newspaper said. ''Zeckendorf is being forced to restructure loans on two of his biggest projects.''

The developer has been meeting for three months with his lenders, Bank of Montreal and Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, to restructure loans which are part of Zeckendorf's liabilities estimated at $5 billion, the newspaper said.

Tighter credit and declining New York real estate values negatively affected Zeckendorf's business, regarded among the most soundly established throughout the 1980s, the Journal said.

The developer currently is in Tokyo to negotiate with Japanese builder Tobishima Corp. the sale of a substantial chunk of his New York properties,

the newspaper said, adding that the deal was far from completed.

Zeckendorf's problems, which reflect the crisis affecting the industry, involve a number of leveraged real estate acquisitions which are not generating enough revenues to cover interest payments on the financing loans.

The developer has failed to rent out since February more than 300,000 square feet of office space at the Zeckendorf Towers at Union Square, and there is vacant space totaling more than 200,000 square feet at another building at Times Square, with no potential tenants due to the sluggish business environment in New York, the Journal said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - New York Post union and management respresentatives went into down-to-the-wire negotiations Thursday in an effort to agree on economic concessions that might save the nation's oldest daily.

Daylong talks began with a morning strategy meeting at the Sheraton Centre Hotel of the Allied Printing Trades Council, which represents nine unions with some 850 members employed by the Post.

Although council president George McDonald said there was little progress made in more than eight hours of negotiations Wednesday but he remained ''optimistic'' that an agreement could be reached by the Friday deadline for the Post's closure.

However, union negotiators appeared gloomy and Barry Lipton, president of the Newspaper Guild, said his union was unwilling to accept the huge salary cuts demanded by Post publisher Peter Kalikow.

''We're going to keep at it anyway,'' Lipton said, adding that the Post had effectively demanded a 46 percent cut in wages and benefits from the 352 newsroom, advertising and circulation personnel represented by the Guild.

Negotiators met separately Wednesday with some of the paper's nine unions. Kalikow has set a Friday 8 p.m. deadline for reaching agreement.

''I desperately want to keep it open,'' Kalikow said Thursday. But he said he was no longer willing to put more money into the paper, which he said had cost him more than $100 million since he acquired it in 1988.

It was necessary for the Post to negotiate individually with the unions rather than their umbrella organization, the Allied Printing Trades Council, because settlements with each union will vary according to the type of concessions the Post needs to ensure survival, McDonald said.

''The unions have been asked for $17 million in economic concessions and the Post has said to each union what concessions it needs,'' McDonald said. ''That's what we're negotiating now.''

Originally Kalikow, a real estate tycoon said to be worth more than $400 million, had set Saturday midnight as the deadline for concluding negotiations successfully. He announced hat he was moving the deadline up 28 hours on Tuesday after his representatives had met with the unions for only 90 minutes.

McDonald said union accountants had gone over the Post's books and reported Kalikow's claim that he would lose $27 million publishing the paper this year appeared valid. Kalikow bought the paper from Rupert Murdoch for $37.6 million.

At the time of the purchase, Kalikow got $22 million in concessions from employees, mostly through elimination of jobs and wage cuts.

Kalikow now wants the paper's 850 unionized employes to make more concessions that would give him at least $17 million in savings this year. In return, the unions are asking for a share in Post ownership, possibly 49 percent of the stock and several seats on the board.

The Post's circulation as of March was 504,720 as of March, down about 30,000 from last year. But the paper has seen its advertising linage drop 16 percent in the past year amid a weakening regional economy.

Management at The New York Times said Thursday it expects to seek to gain concessions as well to the extent they are related to adverse economic conditions that have affected both the Post and News, that newspaper reported Thursday.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 13) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze resumed talks Thursday after the American side said aircraft and troop levels may be dropped from a conventional forces agreement.

The two met Thursday afternoon on the last day of a three-day Baker visit to Moscow. On Wednesday he participated in the signing of the treaty on external aspects of German unification.

Both Baker and Shevardnadze said Wednesday they would take up issues of arms control and a conventional forces agreement in their talks before Baker left for Syria to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis.

Speaking at a news conference after the signing of the treaty on German unification, Baker said there are still ''substantial differences'' between

the American and Soviet positions on aircraft limits in Europe.

''Our preference would be to find a way to bridge those differences so that we could have aircraft included in a conventional forces agreement,'' Baker said. ''But we would want a conventional forces agreement in any event.

''Much has already been agreed upon,'' Baker said. ''What has been agreed upon could serve as the basis for a rather substantial conventional forces agreement.''

Both Baker and Shevardnadze have said that an agreement on American and Soviet troop levels reached in Ottawa in February had been ''overtaken by events'' after the Soviet agreements to withdraw from East Germany and other former East Bloc countries.

Although American disarmament officials have generally referred in the past to the Ottawa agreement in the context of the CFE talks, Baker said it ''has never been intended that manpower generally be part of the initial conventional forces agreement.''

In Ottawa, the United States and Soviet Union agreed to a limit of 195,000 Soviet and 225,000 U.S. troops in Europe, but the Soviets have reportedly asked that in the aftermath of Soviet withdrawals U.S. troops now be limited to 70,000 to 80,000.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Base Ten Systems (3rd Q 7-31)	
$10,742,000	$11,596,000
a-$335,000 (.09)	$920,000 (.26)
a-Income from continuing operations.	
Charter Fedl Svgs (4th Q 6-30)	
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d-$1,179,000	d-$2,648,000
d-Deficit.	
FPS Computing (3rd Q 7-31)	
$11,539,000	$14,446,000
d-$2,909,000	d-$9,860,000
d-Deficit.	

Goodmark Foods (1st Q 8-26)
$36,350,000 $34,627,000
$466,000 (.11) $1,322,000 (.30)

Inmac Corp (4th Q 7-28)
$71,283,000 $59,758,000
$766,000 (.08) d-$9,179,000
d-Deficit.

Prism Entertainment (2nd Q 7-31)
$3,838,000 $2,907,000
a-$119,000 (.06) $81,000 (.04)
a-Income from continuing operastions.

Prospect Park Fncl (1st Q 7-31)
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d-$69,000 $1,137,000 (.39)
d-Deficit.

URS Corp (3rd Q 7-31)
$27,700,000 $23,300,000
d-$400,000 d-$8,900,000
d-Deficit.

Virco Manufacturing (2nd Q 7-31)
$52,722,000 $51,248,000
$1,593,000 (.47) a-$668,000 (.20)
a-After $220,000 loss from discontinued operations.

Workingmen's Corp (1st Q 7-31)
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d-$7,703,000 $195,000 (.16)
d-Deficit.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - Budget negotiators continue their talks at Andrews Air Force outside Washington today. White House and congressional leaders are racing against time to come up with a deficit-reducing plan by October 1st... or face automatic across-the-board cuts. Negotiators are considering a luxury tax that would be applied to items such as expensive cars, jewelry, private boats and furs.

The Senate yesterday approved a mandatory seafood inspection program, bring fish and shellfish under the same standards as beef, pork and poultry. Only a fraction of the seafood consumed by Americans is inspected under a voluntary system currently in place. The bill would set standards for UNsafe levels of

contaminants, sanitation and labeling. The seafood industry supports mandatory inspection.

Summer-like temperatures continue to hover over the West and Northeast today with readings expected to stay in the high 90's until the weekend. Strong thunderstorms hit central and eastern Upper Michigan today, dumping heavy rain and prompting a marine warning. Thick morning fog cut visibility to near zero in parts of Ohio, northern Kentucky, Indiana and lower Michigan.

Lottery fever is burning hot in Florida where the jackpot stands at an amazing 96-Million dollars and climbing. The prize is the nation's second largest behind last year's 115-Million-dollar jackpot in Pennsylvania. Retailers along the Florida-Georgia border say customers are waiting in line for more than an hour to buy tickets. At Lottery headquarters in Tallahasee, one man purchased 10-thousand dollars worth of tickets.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 13) UPI - The Boeing Co. used its ''financial and political clout'' to delay enforcement of environmental laws at its hazardous waste disposal site in Kent, Wash., a former Boeing waste management expert testified.

Boeing used its influence with congressmen, legislators and regulators, and knew nearly 20 years ago of serious pollution problems at the site, Peter M. Ricca testified Wednesday in a federal civil trial in Seattle.

Ricca took the witness stand on behalf of insurance companies that have refused to pay Boeing's $97.5 million bill for federally ordered cleanup projects at two disposal sites.

In some of the most damaging testimony against Boeing, Ricca said it was a ''given fact'' among company officials that pollution laws were being violated at Western Processing.

Ricca, who now works for Alyeska Pipeline Co. of Alaska, said he first became aware of pollution at Western Processing when he visited the 13-acre site in December 1970.

''What I found at the site was really quite dramatic and what one would call ghastly,'' Ricca said.

He said he first noticed contamination in the parking area and the more he walked through the site, ''the more ghastly it got.''

''It was sort of like watching a disaster happen in slow motion,'' he said, citing poor equipment, rusted storage drums and pits with damaged and

''extremely thin'' plastic lining.

Ricca headed a Boeing task force that documented the pollution problems.

His testimony bolstered the key argument of the insurers, who maintain that Boeing should not be compenstated because the company knew it was causing pollution when it dumped 24 million gallons of hazardous wastes into lined and unlined ponds at Western Porcessing and Queen City Farms, a second disposal site, between 1957 and 1967.

Boeing is suing the companies for the cleanup costs, saying the pollution was unexpected and accidental.

Ricca said he was assigned in late 1970, a time when Boeing was experiencing a severe economic downturn, to head an 11-member task force that was asked to explore the company's methods of disposing of its industrial wastes.

Western Processing, which was the only hazardous waste disposal site in the Northwest, faced increasing pressure from the state Department of Ecology to improve the site and was in danger of closing, he said.

Early in the project, Ricca said, the task force, which included two top Boeing pollution-control officials, was well aware that pollution violations were occurring at Western Processing.

''It was more of a dump than a processing operation,'' Ricca said, disputing Boeing's claim that company officials believed Western Processing was recycling much of its wastes.

In a report completed five months later, the task force concluded that to keep Western Processing in operation, Boeing would have to ''intercede'' with the state Department of Ecology to insure that Boeing would only have to pay for ''minimal improvemnts'' to keep the dump in business.

''It was general knowledge that The Boeing Company had financial and political clout,'' with state ecology officials, Ricca said.

Boeing had the power to help Western Processing stay in business, Ricca said.

In general, Ricca testified, Boeing officials could speak to congressmen and ''say we need more time'' to deal with environmental problems.

Boeing could also influence legislators and pollution control boards, he said.

The federal Environmental Protection Agency shut down Western Processing in 1983 after discovering dozens of toxic and cancer-causing chemicals pollution in the soil and groundwater.

Queen City Farms, which Boeing used from 1957 to 1974, was also closed by the EPA in the early 1980s.

Boeing, the biggest customer of the sites, and other companies were directed under a court-ordered consent decrees to pay cleanup costs.

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COLOMBO, SRI LANKA (SEPT. 13) UPI - Soldiers backed by jets and helicopters crossed a narrow waterway in rubber boats Thursday and battled their way through rebel lines to relieve about 200 troops trapped inside a 300- year-old Dutch fort on the northern Jaffna peninsula.

Part way through the operation, a Sri Lankan jet went out of control while flying bombing sorties around the fort and crashed into Jaffna Lagoon, killing the pilot, officials said. The pilot reported a mechanical problem moments before the plane went down.

About 360 soldiers in rubber boats crossed the narrow waterway from Mandaithivu island shortly after daybreak despite heavy fire from Tamil guerrillas and fought their into the fort on the eastern edge of the northern port of Jaffna, defense officials said.

As the soldiers crossed the waterway, Sri Lankan pilots in Italian- made jets flew bombing sorties while helicopters mounted with 50-caliber machine guns strafed rebel positions to provide covering fire, military sources said.

The Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam fired mortars, rocket-propelled grenades and 81mm guns at the advancing troops, the sources said. At least 12 Sri Lankan soldiers were killed in the fighting and 40 were wounded, the Defense Ministry said.

The ministry said more than 100 Tamil rebels had been killed in the fighting. It was not possible to independently confirm the rebel casualties, and military sources have routinely reported rebel death tolls several times higher than their own.

The Tigers have been fighting since 1983 to create an independent Tamil homeland in the north and east of the country. But the situation in the teardrop-shaped Indian Ocean island had remained relatively quiet for a year before the latest outbreak of warfare in June.

The minority Tamils, who are mostly Hindu, claim a separate state is necessary because of years of oppression by the majority Sinhalese, who are predominantly Buddhist and control the Colombo government.

''Four companies of about 360 soldiers fought their way into the fort camp

shortly after daybreak today,'' a military official said. ''The old Dutch fort camp and its environs are under our control, but there is still enemy resistance.''

''The assaulting battle groups have now successfully relieved the fort and are consolidating and clearing adjacent areas,'' a Defense Ministry statement said. ''Heavy resistance by the LTTE terrorists has been reported.''

The attack capped a massive military operation, dubbed ''Operation Fort,'' that was launched Aug. 22. Military officials initially believed they would seize control of the area around the 17th century Dutch fort within three days.

The offensive quickly bogged down because of stiff resistance and diversionary attacks by the Tigers, who control the northern Jaffna peninsula and are fighting for an independent Tamil homeland in the north and east of the country.

The military indefinitely suspended Operation Fort Sept. 2, but continued to build up their forces, clear mines and stage attacks in a bid to relieve the 200 troops trapped inside the star-shaped military complex.

The military formally resumed Operation Fort at daybreak Thursday, when authorities ordered an area curfew and warned residents to remain indoors by dropping leaflets and broadcasting announcements on state-run radio.

''With air cover, our troops entered the fort around 7:30 a.m. Now we have consolidated ourselves on the ground. We have begun mopping up operations. We have cleared several terrorist bunkers in the area,'' a defense official said.

A military source in Colombo said Ranjan Wijeratne, minister of state for defense, flew to Jaffna Thursday and had lunch with the soldiers and police trapped inside the fort since hostilities broke out in mid-June - when the Tigers launched simultaneous attacks on four army camps in the eastern part of the country.

Since then, more than 2,600 soldiers, rebels and civilians have been killed in the fighting.

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NEW DELHI (SEPT. 13) UPI - The secretary-general of the 50-nation Commonwealth organization said Thursday he supports the ''sovereignty and integrity of Kuwait,'' but the association has not tried to involve itself in the gulf crisis.

''I am for the security of small countries, so I am for the sovereignty and integrity of Kuwait,'' Ameka Anyaoku, the Commonwealth secretary-general, told

a news conference.

''There is as yet no Commonwealth program or initiative into the matter,'' he added. ''The Commonwealth has not decided on how the situation should be tackled.''

Anyaoku's comments came at the end of a three-day visit to New Delhi. The Commonwealth is an association of former British colonies whose member nations represent more than a quarter of the world's population. Queen Elizabeth is the symbolic head of the organization.

Anyaoku said the events unfolding in the gulf should be the concern of all members of the international community and the crisis should be resolved through the United Nations.

The secretary-general said he was concerned that the citizens of so many Commonwealth countries were suffering as a result of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent U.N. embargo against the two countries.

Hundreds of thousands of people from the Commonwealth nations of India, Bangladesh, Pakistan and Sri Lanka were working in Kuwait and Iraq at the time of the invasion. Thousands have been forced to flee their homes and have become refugees throughout the Mideast.

Anyaoku met with several Indian leaders during his visit in New Delhi, including Prime Minister V.P. Singh, President Ramaswamy Venkataraman and Vice President Shankar Dayal Sharma.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 13) UPI - The September crop report and moderating weather conditions prompted widespread selling Thursday of grain and soybean futures.

Midmorning prices were lower to sharply lower on the Chicago Board of Trade, but had recovered from session lows.

Although the soybean estimate was virtually the same as last month, prices were lower on profit-taking and liquidation following moderate gains earlier this week.

Soybeans also were pressured by the weakness in soybean oil and meal.

Commercial and commission house selling of corn and wheat was based on higher production estimates from the Agriculture Department. Trading was active, and prices had rallied from the lows at midmorning.

Widespread cash protection across the Grain Belt contributed to the weakness

across the floor.

The new five- and 10-day weather outlooks call for normal temperatures and rainfall throughout most of the major production areas.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.33 3/4 off 5 1/2; Dec 2.27 1/4 off 7; Mar 2.36 3/4 off 6 1/2.

Soybeans Sep 6.25 1/4 off 3 1/4; Nov 6.37 off 4 1/4; Jan 6.51 off 3 3/4; Mar 6.64 1/4 off 3 3/4.

Wheat Sep 2.62 1/4 off 4 1/2; Dec 2.77 1/2 off 5 1/2; Mar 2.91 off 4 3/4.

Oats Sep 1.08 1/2 off 3; Dec 1.16 1/4 off 3; Mar 1.27 1/2 off 3.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Enron Oil & Gas	Q	.05	10-31	10-15
Gateway Bancorp	Q	.15	10-9	10-2
General Re Corp	Q	.38	9-28	9-24
Jamesway Corp	Q	.02	10-19	10-1
Mobile Gas Service	Q	.21	10-1	9-21
NewHampshireThrift	Q	.05	10-22	9-28
Penney (JC) Co	Q	.66	11-1	10-10
Petrolite Corp	Q	.28	10-26	10-5
Riggs Natl Corp	Q	.31 1/4	10-15	9-28
So NewEngl Telecom	Q	.44	10-15	9-24
Triangle Corp	Q	.05	10-16	9-28
US Shoe Corp	Q	.13	10-15	10-1
Vermont Fincl Svcs	Q	.25	10-25	9-26
Walbro Corp	Q	.10	10-31	9-28

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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INDIANOLA, MS. (SEPT. 13) UPI - Some 1,200 production and maintenance workers walked off their jobs at the world's largest catfish processor, the first major labor dispute in nearly a decade in Mississippi's $875 million catfish industry.

Frank Dininger, international vice president of the Memphis, Tenn.- based United Food and Commercial Workers Union Local 1529, said the workers walked off their jobs at midnight Wednesday. He said picket lines went up at two plants owned by Delta Pride Inc. at Indianola.

''We don't have any idea how long we'll be here. We're prepared for the long haul,'' said Dininger.

Earlier this week, union members had voted 410-5 against the company's final three-year contract offer. Contract negotiations got under way Aug. 9.

Carolyn Ann Sledge, assistant marketing director at Delta Pride, said the plants reopened for business as usual Thursday. She said the main question right now is how many of the company's 1,670 producers would remain off their jobs. She said less than 40 percent of the workers are dues-paying union members.

''We don't have a good handle on how many showed up for work, but business is going on as usual,'' Sledge said.

Sledge said the company is prepared to turn to the Mississippi Employment Service office in Indianola to hire temporary workers to fill vacant jobs and reopen a closed plant in Sunflower, Miss., to maintain production volume.

Delta Pride Chief Executive Officer Larry Joiner said the company had bargained in good faith and made ''a fair and final offer.''

He said the company offered pay increases ranging from 35 cents to 90 cents per hour over three years. He said the 45-cent per hour minimum wage increase, which would have gone into effect April 1, was factored into the offer. The package would cost $2.5 million to $3 million, he said.

The highest paid workers make $4.30 an hour. The union had demanded raises totaling 19 1/2 cents per hour over three years.

Delta Pride has four plants in the Mississippi Delta, but plants at Belzoni and Sunflower are non-union.

Bill Allen, president of the Catfish Institute in Belzoni, said Delta Pride produces 30 to 40 percent of the industry's catfish. The company, which can process over 2 million pounds a week, has an annual payroll of $20 million.

Other area processors fear the industry may not ship enough catfish fillets if output falls at Delta Pride. As a more distant concern, processors fear erratic prices could develop at the wholesale level.

Restaurant chains and grocery wholesalers throughout the nation every month

buy nearly 20 million pounds of catfish grown and processed into fillets by a 7,000-employee industry located chiefly in the Mississippi Delta.

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ORACLE, AZ (SEPT. 13) UPI - Four men and four women ranging in age from 30 to 66 have been selected to spend two years isolated in a prototype of a space colony.

The environmental experiment, sponsored by the private firm Space Biospheres Ventures, will require the eight to live inside Biosphere 2, a 3-acre geodesic frame of glass and steel that is hermetically sealed from all but the light and energy of the environment of Earth. The names of the eight inhabitants were announced Wednesday. The experiment is to begin Dec. 5.

Margaret Augustine, president of Space Biospheres Venture, said the eight represent the ''international scope'' of the project which has been in the planning stages for five years.

''All of the crew members have held key staff and management positions on the project since its beginning,'' Augustine said. ''''Each ''

The eight will have to get their food and water from inside the self-contained structure. Electricity and information will be provided and only information will be allowed to flow out.

Named to participate in the experiment were Linda Leigh, 38, a botanist and University of Arizona graduate; Bernd Zabel, 41, an electrical engineer from Munich, West Germany and captain of the Biosphere 2 crew; Sally Silverstone, 35, a native of Walthamstow, England, and director of information systems within Biosphere 2; Jane Paynter, 28, a native of Surrey, England, who will manage the agricultural sector; Dr. Roy Walford, 66, a research gerontologist, nutritionist and professor of pathology at the UCLA School of Medicine; Abigail K. Alling, 31, a marine biologist from Maine who will direct the project's marine ecological systems; Taber Kyle MacCallum, 26, of Albuquerque, N.M., who is in charge of the analytical laboratory, and Mark Van Thillo, 29, of Wilrijk-Antwerp, Belgium, who has been in charge of construction quality control.

Sponsors say the structure not only is a prototype for an eventual habitat on Mars, but could be used for research for environmental problems on Earth.

The $30 million project is financed by Edward Bass, a Texas oil man. It has seven climatic regions, including a rain forest, a savannah, an ocean, fresh and saltwater marshes, a desert, an agricultural area and an apartment complex and laboratories.

The dome is in a rugged canyon on the 2,500-acre SunSpace Ranch near Oracle in the foothills of the Santa Catalina Mountains north of Tucson.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - The chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff will tour forward U-S military positions in eastern Saudi Arabia during the day. General Colin Powell also is to hold a news conference... but security rules won't allow for release of exact details of where he is going or when.

Supreme Court nominee David Souter appears before the Senate Judiciary Committee today as the panel opens his confirmation hearings. President Bush nominated Souter to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Justice William Brennan. The White House expressed optimism yesterday that the 50-year-old New Hampshire jurist will win easy confirmation.

The highest ranking Israeli delegation to visit the Soviet Union since 1967 is in Moscow for meetings with Soviet counterparts. The official purpose for the one-day meeting is to set up details for talks later this month between Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze and Israeli Foreign Minister Levy. Relations between the two countries were broken in 1967 by the Arab-Israeli war.

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#90256u0867 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 13) UPI - China accuses the Amnesty International organization of meddling in its internal affairs with a report that a year-old crackdown against dissidents resulted in death sentences for 11-hundred Chinese. China calls the report slander. Executions in the country normally are carried out right after sentence is passed.

Firefighters from several volunteer departments and South Dakota state and federal agencies are battling a fast-moving fire that already has consumed about five-thousand acres in the Black Hills. Authorities say a number of homes have been evacuated, as strong winds and hot temperatures helped the fire grow. Officials say about 20 families moved into the armory in Custer, South Dakota, but other evacuees moved in with relatives and friends.

A senior adviser to the International Monetary Fund says the I-M-F is confident that the Persian Gulf crisis will NOT push the United States into a recession. I-M-F Adviser Charles Gardner says in an annual report for the year ended April 30th that inflation and interest rates are likely to rise in the industrialized nations in 1990 and '91. Gardner says based on a 25-dollar-a-barrel oil price, inflation and interest rates are likely to rise one-half percentage point in each year.

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#90256u0870 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 13) UPI - Major-league owners Thursday unanimously approved Robert Nederlander to succeed George Steinbrenner as general partner of the New York Yankees.

The vote by 26 owners from the American and National Leagues followed the recommendation of baseball's ownership committee. The vote came on the second and last day of the quarterly meeting.

''I am honored that major-league baseball has approved me and given me the opportunity to serve as the general partner of the New York Yankees baseball club,'' Nederlander said in a statement.

Nederlander, 57, was the choice of the Yankees' limited partners when they met in Cleveland Aug. 15 to name a candidate for the post. Nederlander is the president of the Nederlander Organization. He has been a limited partner in the Yankees since 1973.

The owners voted to transfer the Yankees' general partner's position from Steinbrenner to Nederlander. He needed nine votes of approval from AL owners and a majority from National League owners to be confirmed.

Steinbrenner was ordered by Commissioner Fay Vincent to give up control of the Yankees by Aug. 20.

American League owners also voted to extend the contract of league President Dr. Bobby Brown for two years.

Brown originally was elected to the AL presidency for a term of five years beginning January 1984 and he was given a two year extension, which was to expire Dec. 31, 1990.

The AL owners also indicated that the league's Board of Directors shortly would begin a search for a successor to Brown, with the design to name a president-elect by Jan. 1, 1992.

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#90256u0877 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
OMAHA (SEPT. 13) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and calves None.

Hogs 1,200; butchers unevenly 25 lower, trading moderate; No 1-3 220- 260 lb 54.25-54.50, few 212 lb 53.00, No 2-3 260-280 lb 53.50-54.00, few 280-300 lb 51.50-52.50, few 320 lb 49.00; sows steady to 50 lower; No 1- 3 350-500 lb

44.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 46.50, some near 500 lb 46.00.

Sheep None.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in light trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Lower in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in lackluster trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in moderate trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Higher.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90256u0889 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
GENEVA (SEPT. 13) UPI - The League of Red Cross Societies said Thursday it has agreed to supply medicines to Iraq for ''the most vulnerable civilian groups'' and that ''every effort'' would be made to establish genuine need.

U.S. Assistant Secretary of State John Bolton said earlier that strict controls were necessary to prevent the possible use of medical products for chemical weapons or other military purposes.

The United States, meanwhile, pledged an additional $27 million Thursday in aid for some 76,000 displaced people in camps in Jordan fleeing Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

League Secretary General Per Stenbaeck said in a statement that the medicines bound for Iraq would be for ''the most common ailments and diseases'' and be supplied to the member Red Crescent society of Iraq.

The Geneva-based League is an umbrella coordinating agency for all national Red Cross organizations and the equivalent Red Crescent in Moslem countries.

It makes up the International Red Cross together with the International Committee of the Red Cross, the all-Swiss agency responsible for protecting civilians and prisoners in times of armed conflict.

Stenbaeck of Finland said he agreed on medical supplies for Iraq at a meeting in Amman, Jordan, Wednesday with Iraqi Red Crescent President Dr. Ibrahim Al-Nouri.

''The League has agreed to supply medicines to the Iraqi Red Crescent for the most vulnerable civilian groups in Iraq,'' he said. ''The Iraqi society will be provided with medicines to treat the most common ailments and diseases.''

''Medicines are not subject to U.N. sanctions but we shall make every effort to establish real need and to see that supplies reach their intended destination,'' he said.

Bolton, who is in charge of International Organization Affairs, said Washington ''fully supports'' the appointment of Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan as special U.N. delegate to assess food and medical needs of trapped third country nationals.

Bolton said Sadruddin will fly this weekend to the region and also visit Baghdad because ''his mandate includes help for what could be as many as 2 million (people) inside as well as those who have left.''

While around 76,000 persons are in camps in Jordan on the border with Iraq, Bolton said, there is no available estimate for numbers on Iraqi borders with Turkey and Iran.

Bolton told a coordination meeting of United Nations and non- governmental aid agencies that Washington would be donating $13 million in food to the World Food Program. He said an additional $10 million would go to the International Organization for Migration to help repatriate those fleeing Iraq and Kuwait.

Another $4 million will be allocated according to need among involved U.N. and other relief agencies, he said.

Bolton said the United States has already given $300,000 to the International Committee of the Red Cross and $700,000 has been provided to the government of Jordan.

U.S. support and contributions are conditional, he said, on distribution of supplies by international agencies and not by Iraq, which could mean relief going to Iraqi armed forces, he said.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78- 81 and mediums 63-66.

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#90256u0930 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
BOGOTA, COLOMBIA (SEPT. 13) UPI - Colombia's foreign minister has said relations with the United States will no longer be based on the battle against cocaine trafficking.

Foreign Minister Luis Fernando Jaramillo told Congress on Wednesday the emphasis of President Cesar Gaviria will be on commercial relations.

Colombia must ''de-narcotize its relations with the United States because you cannot continue to talking with that country only about narcotics trafficking '' Jaramillo said.

U.S.-Colombian relations will be based on agreements reached at the Feb. 15 anti-drug summit in Cartagena, Colombia, attended by the presidents of the two countries along with those of Peru and Bolivia, he said.

President Bush at the summit promised to consider the trade proposals of the three South American nations to strengthen their economies and help battle the powerful cocaine industry.

Gaviria is pushing the United States and other industrial nations for special trade treatment for Colombian products. He argues the opening of markets to Colombian goods is needed to help improve the nation's economy that has been hurt by its battle against the cocaine cartels.

''We do not want a hand-out, nor the charity of anyone,'' Jaramillo said.

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LONDON (SEPT. 13) UPI - Stock prices closed lower in lackluster trading

Thursday on the London International Stock Exchange under the combined effects of the continuing crisis in the Gulf and grim financial forecasts and results from a number of companies.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which eased 2.0 points Wednesday, closed off 15.2 points to 2,127.1. The narrower top 30 industrial average fell 10.4 points to 1,632.9.

Volume amounted to around a light 335 million shares compared with 435 million shares changing hands Wednesday.

Analysts said prices drifted lower from the opening bell as a barage of local earnings reports failed to inspire institutional investors.

Dealers said trading activity remained depressed by a view that London's markets will not soon be able to recover to pre-Gulf crisis levels, even world leaders were able to forge an early solution.

Market concerns were compounded by a new rise in the price of North Sea Brent crude and an opening decline on Wall Street.

Fears that Britain's inflation could move through the ten percent level Friday also curbed trading, dealers said.

On the local ecomonic front, the the Department of Employment reported Britain's unemployment in August rose by 22,300 to a seasonally adjusted 5.8 percent of the work force from 5.7 percent in July but down from 6.1 percent in August 1989.

The report compared with market expectations of a 13,500 rise in unemployment from the previous month.

In a seperate report, the Department of Employment reported the underlying annual rate of increase in average earnings in Britain during July was 10 percent, unchanged from June.

Average earnings as a whole were up a seasonally adjusted 0.1 percent in July from June but were up 9.8 percent from July 1989, the government said.

Market watchers said both reports, which were inline with expectations, were ignored by investors.

Among the most widely traded stocks, in the building sector, John Laing shares plunged 66 cents to $3.79 after its chairman warned that it may be forced to cut its dividend because of 63 percent fall in pre-tax profits.

The warning from Laing, one of Britain's major builders, shook the entire sector. Higgs Hill lost 20 cents to $5.31 in sympathy.

RTZ, Britain's largest mining company, eased 2 cents to $8.05 after announcing its net profits to shareholders fell 3.6 percent.

Rolls-Royce, the airplane engine maker, tumbled 32 cents to $3.24 after reporting its pretax profits rose 14 percent, well below market expectations.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed lower in thin trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which climbed 20.92 points Wednesday, fell 15.39 points to 1,582.95.

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New York (SEPT. 13) UPI - The New York Mercantile Exchange, the world's largest oil exchange, Thursday said it had begun a probe of whether members had profited by planting rumors to drive up oil prices during the Persian Gulf crisis.

A Merc spokeswoman, who asked not to be identified, said the exchange's compliance department was looking into Monday's trading when prices soared $1.60 a barrel in the last 10 minutes and $2.60 a barrel in the last hour.

The surge may have been triggered by unfounded rumors of Iraqi troops moving toward Jordan and Saudi Arabia, although most Merc traders said they were unaware of them until after the exchange closed at 3:10 p.m. EDT.

The investigation will ''see if rumors drove the market. We're trying to find out if that is true or not. We don't know in fact if this was the case,'' the spokeswoman said.

She said the Merc has never prosecuted a member for spreading false rumors and that the investigation ''is not a major exchange issue.''

''It's being blown out of proportion,'' the spokeswoman said, although she could not say when the exchange had last launched such an investigation.

If found guilty of falsely spreading rumors, a trader could be fined $250,000 and face possible suspension, the spokeswoman said.

Tom Bentz, director of trading for United Energy Inc. in New York who had said Monday he was unaware of the rumors until after the close of Merc trading, said, ''I don't know how they're going to find out who started the rumor and who passed them on.''

The trader said, ''I heard that the rumor originally came from the financial

market - either the New York Stock Exchange, or bond markets - and not the Merc. It may have been a case of someone coming in from the outside.''

News and rumors about the Middle East have been playing a part in oil markets since the Persian Gulf crisis was triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait and the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo of exports from the two nations threw markets into turmoil.

Monday's rumor was denied by the State Department and prices initially fell Tuesday, but then rose around midday because of another rumor that Iraqi troops were fighting Syrian troops.

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams later said U.S. intelligence had detected an ''increase in Iraqi military activity along the Syrian and Turkey borders, but nothing to indicate imminent hostilities.''

Friday, another unfounded rumor, apparently from Japan, that Iraq's President Saddam Hussein had been ousted in a coup helped drive down crude prices by as much as $2 a barrel.

''Rumors that popped up on the Tokyo Stock Exchange resulted in a morning of self-doubt on oil markets,'' Peter Gignoux of Shearson Lehman Hutton's London office said at the time.

No immediate comment on the Merc investigation could be obtained from the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, the federal agency regulating the exchange.

In July, the CFTC charged three East Coast brokers and a futures trader with fraud in connection with a year-long criminal and civil probe of trading practices at the Merc and three other New York commodity exchanges.

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#90256u0952 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - The Senate Judiciary Comittee hearings into David Souter's nomination to the Supreme Court were disrupted briefly Thursday by several protesters who identified themselves as members of the AIDS activist group ACT-UP.

As Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, delivered his opening statement, a man in the audience stood up and shouted, ''Judge Souter is unacceptable.'' Several other people then threw leaflets in the air.

The protesters, continuing to shout, were removed from the room by security officials.

Several committee members joked about the disruption and Souter sat through it

with a small smile.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 13) UPI - Thousands of refugees poured out of war-torn black townships east of Johannesburg Thursday amid a resurgence of factional fighting and after authorities cut off electricity in response to a boycott of utility payments.

Women, children and infants crowded into the halls, passages and stairwells of clinics and a major hospital, collapsing with exhaustion after their flight from the internecine strife - which in its sixth week left more than 700 people dead and hundreds of homes destroyed.

''These people are terrified... there must be at least 3,000 of them looking for safety here and in clinics,'' said a matron at the Natalspruit Hospital, which serves the townships of Thokoza and Katlehong. ''All they want is a ''

The refugees refused to return to areas of Thokoza and Katlehong and the decimated squatter camp of Phola Park after the savage fighting surged late Tuesday and authorities cut off their power supplies.

In the nation's largest black township of Soweto, south of Johannesburg, police reported firing teargas and birdshot to separate marauding rival groups but continued to find bodies in isolated spots. Township dwellers, apparently beginning to target police, have shot or stabbed to death at least four lawman this week - two on Thursday.

The African National Congress has accused police of siding with its arch rival, the exclusively Zulu Inkatha, and senior members said township residents were becoming increasingly hostile to security forces as South Africa's worst-ever suburban fighting, which flared Aug. 12, raged almost out of control.

Refugees from Phola Park alleged a white man, whom they thought to be a policeman, was among a marauding Inkatha group late Wednesday. ''We saw him and we killed him,'' one male refugee said, but did not know what had happened to the body.

Winnie Mandela, wife of ANC leader Nelson Mandela, asserted in Thokoza that ''police bullets'' were killing the people.

Trains passing through the hardest-hit townships straddling Johannesburg came under petrol-bomb and stone attacks overnight and into Thursday, and some connections were delayed several hours.

Authorities earlier Thursday further panicked the townships' residents when

they cut off electricity supplies in a bid to force an end to a boycott of service payments.

The cutoffs to some 500,000 people followed two days of renewed violence across the eastern townships which police said killed at least 96 people, left row upon row of houses flattened by fire and the residents homeless, and pushed the total death toll to over 700.

The end to the power supplies led to ''chaos here, chaos... people were first fearing for their lives and now they don't even have the basics of a reasonable existence,'' volunteer doctor Michael Markham said in Thokoza. ''They're lighting fires in the streets to warm their food.''

Police said they were trying to quell the region's battles between Zulu migrant workers and residents, who are predominantly Xhosa supporters of the ANC, but noted patrols could not blanket the areas.

The fighting in the townships has defied emergency rule and effective martial law imposed by President Frederik de Klerk Aug. 26. ANC leader Nelson Mandela warned Tuesday it was threatening talks between anti-apartheid groups and the government on ending 42 years of white minority rule.

Defending the electricity cutoffs, officials said the action was designed not to exacerbate the situation, but to enforce payment after combined losses in Thokoza and Katlehong of some $4.2 million this year.

More than 50 townships nationwide have been boycotting water and electricity payments for periods ranging from months to years, at a total cost of some $780 million, over allegations that their local administrations provide poor service.

The cutoffs in the two townships followed similar action in at least two others in Transvaal province.

Mandela told de Klerk at a meeting on Tuesday pressure was mounting on the ANC to arm its supporters and resume the ''armed struggle'' against white rule it suspended last month after 29 years.

Despite assurances from de Klerk that police were acting impartially and that the government was deeply concerned about the violence, Mandela said Pretoria must use its capacity to bring back calm or face a possible breakdown in talks on ending apartheid.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 13) UPI - Dr. John Marshall Branion, a doctor convicted of killing his wife and who served as physician to Martin Luther King Jr. and

later Ugandan dictator Idi Amin has died following a lengthy illness.

Branion, 64, who fled the country after being sentenced to 20 to 30 years for murder, died at the University of Illinois Hospital last Saturday, hospital officials said Thursday.

The body was cremated Tuesday.

Branion, convicted in 1968 of killing his wife, Donna, fled to Uganda while his case was under appeal. In Uganda, he served as Idi Amin's doctor until he was arrested in 1983 and returned to the United States to serve his prison term.

Supporters had been trying to re-open the murder case, saying the conviction was racially motivated. They said it would have been impossible for Branion to have killed his wife on Dec. 22, 1967, between the time he left a hospital and the time police were called to the murder scene.

Branion had been King's personal doctor when the civil rights leader was in Chicago. Branion's trial took place during the riots that followed King's assassination in 1968.

Branion suffered from a brain turmor and heart ailment. Gov. James R. Thompson commuted his sentence to time served on Aug. 7.

Branion is survived by his second wife, Shirley, and four children.

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#90256u0974 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (SEPT. 13) UPI - An Israeli delegation arrived in Moscow Thursday on the highest-level official visit since the Soviet Union cut diplomatic relations in 1967, an Israeli diplomat said.

An Israeli government source said in Jerusalem Wednesday that the trip by the Israeli Foreign Ministry delegation was ''the most important visit in some time'' from a political standpoint.

Israel Mey-Ami, the No. 2 representative in the permanent group of Israeli diplomatic officials based at the Dutch Embassy in Moscow, said the visiting delegation would hold talks with Soviet Foreign Ministry officials Friday at the level of experts.

''It is the first official delegation since 1967,'' Mey-Ami said. ''This is the first time that there has been this kind of experts' meeting.''

As the official delegation arrived, Israeli Housing Minister Ariel Sharon left Moscow to end a private weeklong visit to the Soviet Union, Mey-Ami said.

The Soviet Foreign Ministry said that Sharon, Israel's former defense minister was invited by a construction cooperative for a visit ''supported'' by the Moscow City Council, which is now controlled by political radicals.

Sovetskaya Rossiya, the official newspaper of the Russian Federation's government, called Sharon a "butcher" because of his past policies as Israeli defense chief. Russian leader Boris Yeltsin told deputies that his government should disassociate itself from the newspaper because of its conservative views.

The Soviet Union broke diplomatic ties with Israel in 1967 after the Six Day War between Israel and Egypt, then a close ally of Moscow.

Soviet-Israeli relations have steadily improved since Mikhail Gorbachev assumed power in March 1985 and began a reform drive including increased emigration of Soviet Jews.

Mey-Ami declined to say specifically what the expert-level delegations from the two countries' foreign ministries would discuss.

''Naturally, we will be discussing the problems of our region and, of course, bilateral relations between our two countries,'' Mey-Ami said.

The independent Interfax news agency said the delegation included two deputy director-generals of the Israeli Foreign Ministry, Joseph Govrin and Eitan Ben-sur, and Department of Political Analysis chief David Afek. An Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman in Jerusalem and Mey-Ami confirmed those names.

Interfax quoted an unidentified Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman as saying that ''the consultations will proceed within the framework of the continuing dialogue between the Soviet Union and Israel.''

Mey-Ami said the official purpose of the one-day meeting was to prepare for talks in New York next week at the U.N. General Assembly session between Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and his Israeli counterpart, David Levy.

Mey-Ami acknowledged, however, that such contacts at U.N. sessions in the past have not been preceded by expert-level preparatory meetings.

Levy said Wednesday that the Soviet Union could have greater involvement in the Middle East peace process if it stopped selling arms to Arab nations and pressured those countries to make peace with Israel.

Moscow cut off arms shipments to Iraq, its former ally, on Aug. 2 after Baghdad invaded Kuwait and has strongly condemned the aggression. After meeting with Gorbachev in Helsinki on Sunday, U.S. President George Bush

indicated the Soviet response in the gulf crisis has earned it a larger role in the Middle East.

A Soviet consular delegation was set up in Israel in July 1987. Mey-Ami is part of Israel's consular delegation to Moscow that began its mission in July 1988.

The Soviet consular group works out of the Finnish Embassy in Tel Aviv. The Israeli group in Moscow is under the control of the Dutch Embassy, which handles Israeli visa applications from Soviet citizens.

The Israeli group moved into its country's former embassy in June last year, but it cannot fly the Israeli flag and the building is formally administered by the Dutch government.

Israeli officials in Jerusalem said that Sharon came to Moscow to investigate possible cooperation with Soviet companies to build housing for the quickening flow of Soviet Jewish emigrants to Israel.

''Now this butcher is strolling around Red Square and the streets of Moscow,'' Sovetskaya Rossiya said. ''Do our cooperators (private businessmen) and newly brought-to-light 'democrats' know whose hand they are shaking, with whom ... they want to make a deal?''

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - C O R R E C T I O N:

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The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Colin Powell, is scheduled to tour U-S military positions in Saudi Arabia today, and a U-S naval vessel in the Persian Gulf. Officials say security rules prevent them from revealing Powell's exact location, but they say he will give a news conference later today. Powell is the nation's highest-ranking serviceman. .

Looking tired and drained, hundreds of foreigners arrived in London last night following a long journey that began in Kuwait. Among the foreigners were 300 Americans who are traveling to North Carolina this morning. One former hostage said she hid out in Kuwait for six weeks because she was too scared to venture outside. Another said conditions are getting worse in the occupied country and medical supplies are in short supply.

Witnesses in South Africa say authorities trying to end a utility payment boycott shutoff electricity to two black townships today. The cut-offs affect

some 500-thousand people in two satellite cities east of Johannesburg that have been rocked by black-on-black fighting. Volunteer doctors and social workers say there's total ''chaos'' with people panicking in the streets.

David Souter goes before the Senate Judiciary Committee today for hearings on his nomination to the U-S Supreme Court. Committee members on the Democrat-dominated panel are expected to question the 50- year-old New Hampshire judge on a wide range of issues, including abortion. The White House has expressed confidence the Senate will approve Souter.

Budget negotiators continue their talks at Andrews Air Force outside Washington today. White House and congressional leaders are racing against time to come up with a deficit-reducing plan by October 1st... or face automatic across-the-board cuts. Negotiators are considering a luxury tax that would be applied to items such as expensive cars, jewelry, private boats and furs.

The Senate yesterday approved a mandatory seafood inspection program, bringing fish and shellfish under the same standards as beef, pork and poultry. Only a fraction of the seafood consumed by Americans is inspected under a voluntary system currently in place. The bill would set standards for UNsafe levels of contaminants, sanitation and labeling. The seafood industry supports mandatory inspection.

Summer-like temperatures continue to hover over the West and Northeast today with readings expected to stay in the high 90's until the weekend. Strong thunderstorms hit central and eastern Upper Michigan today, dumping heavy rain and prompting a marine warning. Thick morning fog cut visibility to near zero in parts of Ohio, northern Kentucky, Indiana and lower Michigan.

Lottery fever is burning hot in Florida where the jackpot stands at an amazing 96-Million dollars and climbing. The prize is the nation's second largest behind last year's 115-Million-dollar jackpot in Pennsylvania. Retailers along the Florida-Georgia border say customers are waiting in line for more than an hour to buy tickets. At Lottery headquarters in Tallahasee, one man purchased 10-thousand dollars worth of tickets.

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DAMASCUS, SYRIA (SEPT. 13) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker flew to Syria Thursday in the first such diplomatic visit in almost a decade, indicating relations between Damascus and Washington have thawed as the Gulf crisis has heated up.

Baker, due to arrive in Syria at 10:30 p.m. (3:30 p.m. EDT) on a flight from Moscow, was scheduled to hold intensive talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad on the crisis, touched off Aug. 2 when Iraq invaded its tiny oil-rich

neighbor Kuwait.

His visit coincides with an announcement by Assad that Syria was prepared to dispatch more troops to serve in a U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the Gulf region to deter Iraqi aggression.

Syria, Iraq's main rival in the Arab world because the two countries are governed by rival wings of the Baath socialist party, has already sent 3,000 troops to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emriates.

Assad has also joined the United States in condemning the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and demanding the immediate withdrawal of troops from the occupied emirate.

Such cooperation with U.S. policy has made Washington take a fresh look at Syria, long on its list of countries that support terrorism. The State Department's most recent report on human rights describes Syria as a country ''ruled by an authoritarian regime which does not hesitate to use force when it is threatened.''

Nevertheless, the Bush administration announced Baker would travel to Damascus in the first trip to Syria by a Secretary of State since George Schultz visited in the early 1980's.

The visit to Damascus could open a new chapter in relations between Syria and the United States, which had reached a low ebb prior to the Iraqi invasion.

''The visit could be a signal the United States is ready to cooperate with Syria to solve the Middle East crisis,'' one Western diplomat in Cairo said.

''It is obvious now that Syria would be qualified to play a role in Middle East affairs in the future,'' he said. ''This role would be decided according to Damascus response to the U.S. policy in the Middle East.''

Baker held talks earlier Thursday with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze in Moscow. He held a round of talks with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev during a three-day visit to the Soviet Union and participated in the signing of an historic treaty on German unification.

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (SEPT. 13) UPI - The European Community, faced with increasing U.S pressure to contribute to the Persian Gulf effort, is split over whether to set a precise figure for the aid at a meeting next week, diplomats said Thursday.

Some countries led by Britain said a firm EC aid figure at next Monday's

meeting of foreign ministers could limit subsequent aid from other countries by providing a too-convenient formula.

Other nations, including EC president Italy, feel the wealthy Community should set an aid figure right away to show Europe's commitment to the U.S.-led opposition to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The split, though largely tactical, coincides with increasing U.S. pressure for European allies to contribute far more to the gulf crisis, and EC diplomats acknowledged that a delay in aid at next week's meeting could send the wrong signal to Washington.

''We think it's important to send a clear political message right away by setting aid figures. We should show the Community is ready to commit itself,'' said an official of the EC executive Commission.

At a special meeting in Rome last Friday, the EC foreign ministers approved aid in principle but left the exact figure to next week's regular monthly meeting in Brussels.

The EC Commission has proposed aid through 1991 of $1.95 billion for Egypt, Turkey and Jordan, three countries particularly hard-hit by economic sanctions on Iraq.

Commission officials say those three countries stand to lose about $9 billion through lost trade and higher oil prices through 1991. Other estimates put the pricetag far higher.

The EC should cover part of their loss, but the bulk should come from oil-rich Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, the Commission says.

Britain feels the EC would make a tactical mistake next Monday by ''publicizing'' the three countries' needs, an aid formula and the EC's share, because it would tend to set ''ceilings'' on contributions from the rich Gulf states and other donors.

Behind-the-scenes negotiations should first take place between the gulf states the EC and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, British officials say.

Joining the British position are Belgium, Denmark, Holland, Greece and West Germany, said British diplomatic sources. Italy and France have been most supportive of the Commission position.

''We want to see what our partners from the rest of the world intend to do,'' said a spokesman for Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens. ''As there is not yet a consensus of what other western and Arab countries will contribute, an EC figure would seem to be premature.''

A spokesman for Italy, which holds the rotating EC presidency through December said, ''We are ready to take a decision next Monday. We would like to have a proposal approved at that meeting.''

The issue is being hotly debated this week, however, and the sources said positions could change by Monday's meeting.

On a less fractious matter, the EC foreign ministers are expected to easily approve a Commission proposal for $58.5 million in humanitarian aid for refugees stranded as a result of the crisis.

EC officials said Monday's long-scheduled meeting comes at an inopportune time just a week after Secretary of State James Baker visited Brussels and asked for greater financial and military help from America's European allies.

Commentators in the United States have described Europe, particularly unification-preoccupied West Germany, as terribly stingy in the crisis.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - C O R R E C T I O N:

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Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee are questioning the nominee President Bush wants to have replace U-S Supreme Court Justice William Brennan. New Hampshire Judge David Souter was told he'll have to prove he is the best person for the job.

The Australian airline Qantas confirms one of its Boeing 747 jumbo jets with 382 persons on board almost collided with a U-S Air Force C-5 Galaxy transport over southern Thailand. The pilots estimated the two aircraft missed each other by only 50 feet Tuesday. The Qantas 747 was flying from London to Singapore.

Secretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze are holding a third and final day of talks in Moscow. The two are discussing arms control and a conventional forces agreement before Baker leaves the Soviet capital for Syria for talks about the Persian Gulf crisis.

Breakdowns by some of the ships carrying heavy combat gear to Saudi Arabia will delay full deployment of U-S troops by another month. That's the assessment from the man who should know, Army General Norman Schwarzkopf. He is the top U-S commander on the Saudi Arabian front.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - The White House says a 283-BILLION-dollar 1991 defense authorization bill being considered in the House will likely prove to be veto material for President Bush. A spokesman says Bush objects to proposed cuts in his requests for weapons, troops and flexibility in restructuring U-S defenses.

Work crews are busy cleaning the rarely used Cambodian embassy in Bangkok, Thailand, ahead of the first meeting of a council that is supposed to bring the four warring factions in Cambodia together for the first time. It follows a breakthrough agreement earlier this week on a possible Cambobian peace plan.

Summer is refusing to end in parts of the nation. Hot weather prevailed today in most of the West, with high temperatures and humidity persisting around New York City and Boston. Elsewhere, thunderstorms hit upper Michigan and showers fell in North Carolina and Georgia, where low level flooding was reported.

Police in Houston are trying to determine if there have been any homicides in which the victim was missing an arm. Police issued a nationwide bulletin after finding a dismembered human arm in the home of two men who apparently used it in cult rituals. One of the men said he bought the arm at a flea market.

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#90256u1037 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - The Senate voted Tuesday to relax restrictions on exports of sophisticated technology, helping open new markets for American producers in Eastern Europe and other areas.

The Senate approved the bill, which extends controls through 1990, to the House that has passed its own version of the bill.

The measure adopted by the Senate would bring U.S. restrictions on the sale of high-tech goods to Eastern Europe in line with those adopted this summer by the 17-nation Coordinating Committee for Multilateral Export Controls (Cocom).

The controls, first adopted in 1979, were designed to keep computers and other sophisticated technology with potential military use away from the Soviet Union and countries behind the now-demolished Iron Curtain.

The bill would make it easier to export the high-tech goods to Central and Eastern European countries - although not to the Soviet Union - and also would sharply reduce the number of items subject to controls.

The legislation would also permit the federal Export-Import Bank to finance military sales for the first time in 20 years.

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BALTIMORE (SEPT. 13) UPI - Scientists have discovered a hormone that may play a key role in the development of high blood pressure, it was reported Thursday.

The hormone appears to slow movement of sodium out of cells, which can cause blood vessels to constrict and blood pressure to increase, said researchers from The Upjohn Co. in Kalamazoo, Mich., and the University of Maryland.

The findings could lead to tests to identify people prone to high blood pressure and better ways to treat a leading risk factor for strokes and heart attacks that affects some 60 million Americans, the researchers said.

''We think the implications are profound,'' said Dr. Mordecai Blaustein of the University of Maryland School of Medicine in Baltimore, who was involved in the research.

''I think that this substance plays a major role in causing the elevation of blood pressure,'' he said before presenting the findings at an American Heart Association meeting.

Scientists plan to study the hormone to get a better understanding of what it does naturally in the body, its relationship to blood pressure and potential therapeutic uses, he said.

''This opens up major new avenues for research,'' he said.

The substance was dubbed ''ouabin-like compound'' because it appears virtually identical to a hormone called ouabin that occurs naturally in a plant. Ouabin is similar to the digitalis drug used to treat congestive heart failure, he said.

''That's startling. That will raise lots of eyebrows. Nobody knew the substance was produced in the human body,'' Blaustein said.

The hormone was discovered by analyzing blood plasma until scientists isolated a small amount of the substance, he said.

''We have learned in the last 20 or 30 years that every cell in our bodies has a receptor for digitalis compounds. So there's long been interest in finding a endogenous compound that interracts with that receptor,'' he said.

The discovery of the substance may lead to better ways to identify peopleprone to high blood pressure because there is evidence the levels of the substance increase before blood pressure goes up, he said.

''It may be a predictor of future development of high bloood pressure. You might know early on who's salt sensitive and who you should put on a low-salt diet,'' he said.

Scientists may be able to find ways to block the action of the hormone, which may be produced by the adrenal gland, he said.

''If you know that this hormone acts on the sodium pump in various cells to promote high blood pressure then you want to interact with the synthesis or secretion of this hormone or block its action,'' he said.

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#90256u1042 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 13) UPI - Amoco Production Co. Thursday announced an agreement with the Soviet Union that could eventually lead to a joint-venture for development of oil fields in western Siberia.

Amoco Production said its Amoco Eurasia Petroleum Co. subsidiary has signed a protocol with the Soviet state gas industry to study the technical and economic feasibility of developing several oil fields in western Siberia as a joint venture with Soviet organizations.

''Amoco technology and expertise in drilling, well completion and production practices should enhance the commercial potential of these fields,'' said Amoco Eurasia President Robert Blanton.

''Our objective is economic development of these fields in a manner which is consistent with environmental concern and recognizes the interests of the local native population,'' Blanton said.

He said the company believes the oil and natural gas resources of the western Siberian fields is significant.

The protocal signed in Moscow by Blanton and V.S. Chernomyrdin, chairman of the Soviet state gas consortium, enumerates guiding principles that would be incorporated in a joint venture agreement for development of the fields.

Amoco has been involved in discussions of possible joint ventures with Soviet officials since 1988. The ongoing talks also concern possible petroleum exploration and development in other areas of the Soviet Union.

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#90256u1050 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, India (SEPT. 13) UPI - President Ramaswami Venkataraman approved a bill Thursday intended to grant autonomy to state-owned radio and television, fulfilling an electoral promise of Prime Minister V.P. Singh's National Front

government.

State-run All-India Radio said the president gave his approval to the government plan to set up an autonomous ''Prasar Bharati'' broadcasting corporation to run the government's All-India Radio and Doordarshan television.

Information and Broadcasting Minister P. Upendra promised to set up the corporation by March 31, 1991, All-India Radio reported.

The Prasar Bharati bill earlier was passed unanimously by members of the Lok Sabha, Hindi for the lower house of parliament, and was adopted by the Rajya Sabha, or the upper house of parliament.

Singh's five-party National Front alliance promised prior to the November 1989 parliamentary general elections that if voted to power, the alliance would grant autonomy to the tightly controlled government electronic media.

The alliance made the promise amid widespread criticism that the former government of Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi was using the radio and television to promote the interests of his Congress (I) Party.

Gandhi during his prime ministry rejected calls to confer autonomous status on All-India Radio and Doordarshan, the only broadcasting entities allowed to operate in the world's largest democracy.

Singh's National Front alliance won the 1989 election, ousting Gandhi's government. The Thursday approval of the government media bill is the fulfillment of an electoral pledge.

Some newspapers and opposition Congress (I) Party have in recent days accused Singh's government of manipulating the radio and television to give prominence to ruling party's views.

Others have contended the government will continue to maintain tight control over the electronic media because top officials of the Prasar Bharati broadcasting corporation would be appointed by the government.

Newspapers and magazines in India are mostly privately owned and free of government control.

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#90256u1081 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - The New York Mercantile Exchange, the world's largest oil exchange, Thursday said it had begun a probe of whether members had profited by planting rumors to drive up oil prices during the Persian Gulf crisis.

A Merc spokeswoman, who asked not to be identified, said the exchange's compliance department was looking into Monday's trading when prices soared $1.60 a barrel in the last 10 minutes and $2.60 a barrel in the last hour.

The surge may have been triggered by unfounded rumors of Iraqi troops moving toward Jordan and Saudi Arabia, although most Merc traders said they were unaware of them until after the exchange closed at 3:10 p.m. EDT.

The investigation will ''see if rumors drove the market. We're trying to find out if that is true or not. We don't know in fact if this was the case,'' the spokeswoman said.

She said the Merc has never prosecuted a member for spreading false rumors and that the investigation ''is not a major exchange issue.''

''It's being blown out of proportion,'' the spokeswoman said, although she could not say when the exchange had last launched such an investigation.

If found guilty of falsely spreading rumors, a trader could be fined $250,000 and face possible suspension, the spokeswoman said.

Tom Bentz, director of trading for United Energy Inc. in New York who had said Monday he was unaware of the rumors until after the close of Merc trading, said, ''I don't know how they're going to find out who started the rumor and who passed them on.''

The trader said, ''I heard that the rumor originally came from the financial market - either the New York Stock Exchange, or bond markets - and not the Merc. It may have been a case of someone coming in from the outside.''

News and rumors about the Middle East have been playing a part in oil markets since the Persian Gulf crisis was triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait and the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo of exports from the two nations threw markets into turmoil.

Monday's rumor was denied by the State Department and prices initially fell Tuesday, but then rose around midday because of another rumor that Iraqi troops were fighting Syrian troops.

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams later said U.S. intelligence had detected an ''increase in Iraqi military activity along the Syrian and Turkey borders, but nothing to indicate imminent hostilities.''

Friday, another unfounded rumor, apparently from Japan, that Iraq's President Saddam Hussein had been ousted in a coup helped drive down crude prices by as much as $2 a barrel.

''Rumors that popped up on the Tokyo Stock Exchange resulted in a morning of

self-doubt on oil markets,'' Peter Gignoux of Shearson Lehman Hutton's London office said at the time.

No immediate comment on the Merc investigation could be obtained from the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, the federal agency regulating the exchange.

In July, the CFTC charged three East Coast brokers and a futures trader with fraud in connection with a year-long criminal and civil probe of trading practices at the Merc and three other New York commodity exchanges.

John Heine, a spokesman for the Securities and Exchange Commission in Washington, said it was SEC policy not to confirm ''the existence or non-existence of commission investigations.''

New York Stock Exchange spokesman Ray Pellechia said, ''Our policy is to investigate unusual market activity ... It's also policy not to comment on investigations.''

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HERSHEY, PA (SEPT. 13) UPI - An army colonel who was a hostage in Iran 10 years ago said President Bush should not let concern for the current hostages prevent him from taking military action, if necessary, in the Middle East.

Col. Charles Scott, former chief military officer of the U.S. Embassy in Tehran, was one of 52 hostages held for 444 days in 1979-80.

''We're going to lose people. Usually they wear khaki outfits or blue outfits. We need to take a more callous view,'' he said in comments to the Pennsylvania Petroleum Association in Hershey Wednesday night, and reported by The Patriot-News of Harrisburg.

''If it's in America's national interest to do something, under no circumstances should we let hostages stand in the way,'' he said.

Hundreds of Americans and other Westerners remain trapped in Kuwait and Iraq following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of the neighboring country, apparently to discourage military action by the United States.

Scott said his hostage experience, which included nine months in solitary confinement, strengthened and rejuvenated him.

''People say, 'How can you spend nine months in solitary confinement?' I tell them I'm in good company,'' he said.

He praised Bush's handling of the situation, but warned the president should

not hesitate to declare war if border conflicts erupt ''so we don't have another Vietnam.''

Besides the hostages in Iraq and Kuwait, six Americans remain in Beirut, Lebanon, captives of a variety of fractious Islamic fundamentalist groups.

Among them is Norristown native Joseph Cicippio, who marked his fourth year in captivity Wednesday. The longest held is Associated Press correspondent Terry Anderson, who was kidnapped in March 1985.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Circuit Systems (1st Q 7-31)	
$14,892,000	$7,092,000
$191,000 (.04)	$163,000 (.03)
Consol Northland Oils (4th Q 5-31)	
$214,000	$76,000
$45,000 (.02)	d-$151,000
d-Deficit.	
Courier Dispatch Grp (4th Q 6-30)	
$13,082,000	$12,307,000
$166,000 (.07)	$188,000 (.07)
Fidelity Natl Fncl (3rd Q 7-31)	
$46,863,000	a-$45,560,000
$1,850,000 (.59)	$1,669,000 (.50)

a-Restated to include investment gains and losses in accordance with a new financial accounting standards board regulation.

Hartco Enterprises (2nd Q 7-28)	
$45,395,000	$40,727,000
$610,000 (.11)	$934,000 (.17)

Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Interphase Corp (3rd Q 7-31)	
$7,501,000	$5,577,000
d-$2,780,000	$117,000 (.03)

d-Deficit, net loss is due to a combination of losses from consolidating

the operations of Omni Solution Inc. and a one-time write-off of
assets associated with the decision to cease further operations at Omni.

Jetronics Indus (2nd Q 7-31)
$10,586,000 $11,573,000
d-$72,000 $71,000 (.03)

d-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.
National Healthcare (4th Q 6-30)
$53,000,000 $57,540,000
$990,000 (.06) $416,000 (.04)

North Hills Electronics (2nd Q 7-31)
$4,006,000 $3,048,000
$132,000 (.05) $75,000 (.03)

Peters J M Co (2nd Q 8-31)
$52,701,000 $58,274,000
d-$451,000 $3,496,000 (.25)
d-Deficit.

Russ Togs Inc (2nd Q 8-4)
$46,334,000 $62,817,000
d-$2,948,000 $231,000 (.02)
d-Deficit.

SL Indus (4th Q 7-31)
$18,355,000 $19,490,000
d-$2,752,000 $842,000 (.13)

d-Deificit, reflects pre-tax charge of $3,500,000 to remediate ''old
environmental problems.''

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (SEPT. 13) UPI - Youths armed with guns and knives
rampaged through a train near Johannesburg, killing at least 20 commuters and
wounding dozens more in a bloody surge of black factional violence Thursday,
witnesses said.

The attack came Thursday evening after thousands of refugees poured out of
black townships east of Johannesburg seeking safety from renewed strife which
has razed hundreds of homes and pushed the death toll in the sixth week of
battles to more than 700.

The youths opened fire and hacked out at commuters on a train bound from
Johannesburg to satellite black townships, according to radio reports and

witnesses.

The witnesses said the dead and injured were strewn on the tracks and described scenes of terror aboard the train, including people jumping from windows for safety. They said about six black youths carried out the attack.

''It's a slaughter house out there, a bloody slaughter house,'' paramedic Joe van Wyk said. ''It looks like about 25 dead.'' Later reports said the death toll could be slightly lower, but that dozens were injured.

Police sealed off the train and launched a massive hunt for the attackers. Dozens of ambulances were summoned from across the city to ferry the injured from staging points near the train to nearby hospitals in and around Johannesburg.

In eastern townships, women, children and infant refugees from violent clashes crowded into the halls, passages and stairwells of clinics and a major hospital, collapsing with exhaustion.

They refused to return to areas of the stricken townships of Thokoza and Katlehong and the decimated squatter camp of Phola Park after savage fighting surged late Tuesday and authorities cut off their power supplies.

In the nation's largest black township of Soweto, south of Johannesburg, police reported firing teargas and birdshot to separate marauding rival groups but continued to find bodies in isolated spots. Township dwellers, apparently beginning to target police, have shot or stabbed to death at least four lawman this week - two on Thursday.

The African National Congress has accused police of siding with its arch rival the exclusively Zulu Inkatha, and senior members said township residents were becoming increasingly hostile to security forces as South Africa's worst-ever suburban fighting, which flared Aug. 12, raged almost out of control.

Refugees from Phola Park alleged a white man, whom they thought to be a policeman, was among a marauding Inkatha group late Wednesday. ''We saw him and we killed him,'' one male refugee said, but did not know what had happened to the body.

Winnie Mandela, wife of ANC leader Nelson Mandela, asserted in Thokoza that ''police bullets'' were killing the people.

Trains passing through the hardest-hit townships straddling Johannesburg came under petrol-bomb and stone attacks overnight and into Thursday, and some connections were delayed several hours.

Authorities earlier Thursday further panicked the townships' residents when they cut off electricity supplies in a bid to force an end to a boycott of

service payments.

The cutoffs to some 500,000 people followed two days of renewed violence across the eastern townships which police said killed at least 96 people, left row upon row of houses flattened by fire and the residents homeless, and pushed the total death toll to over 700.

The end to the power supplies led to ''chaos here, chaos... people were first fearing for their lives and now they don't even have the basics of a reasonable existence,'' volunteer doctor Michael Markham said in Thokoza. ''They're lighting fires in the streets to warm their food.''

Police said they were trying to quell the region's battles between Zulu migrant workers and residents, who are predominantly Xhosa supporters of the ANC, but noted patrols could not blanket the areas.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Gedale Horowitz, senior executive director of Salomon Brothers Inc., has been nominated as 1991 chairman of the Securities Industry Association, the association said Thursday.

Horowitz was director of SIA in 1984-1986 and 1988-1990 and he was teasurer of the association in 1987.

Horowitz served as chairman of the Public Securities Association in 1977. If SIA's board ratifies his nomination, he will become the only person to serve as chairman of both securities industry trade associations.

Horowitz will succeed Robert N. Downey, a partner at Goldman Sachs and Co. Downey will continue as an officer and a director of SIA.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 13) UPI - American consumers can expect to pay more for peanut butter this winter as a result of a hot, dry summer that has left the Southeast with its worst crop of peanuts in a decade, an industry trade group reported Thursday.

Peanut farmers in Georgia, Florida and Alabama are expected to suffer losses of $575 million, and consumers can expect price hikes of at least 10 percent for peanut butter by January, the Peanut Advisory Board said.

Mitch Head, a spokesman for the trade association, said the price increase was determined through surveys of manufacturers' needs and shellers' on-hand supply of nuts.

The region's peanut harvest, which is now in progress, is expected to total 1 million tons, down 23 percent from last year - and the lowest since 1980.

The board's predictions were borne out in part by the Georgia Agricultural Statistics Service, which Thursday reported a 24 percent decline in peanut production.

Agriculture officials blame the decline on the lack of rain and above normal temperatures in the Southeast this summer. Heavy infestations of insects, spider mites and army worms also have caused problems.

Peanuts grown in the three-state Southeastern region account for 65 percent of the total U.S. harvest and for nearly all the peanuts typically used in peanut butter and confectionary products. Georgia alone produces nearly half of the peanuts grown in the United States.

The price of peanuts jumped 4 percent to $760 a ton Thursday, up from $731 a day earlier, Head said. In the last seven days alone, peanut prices have increased 12 percent to $731 a ton, and more dry weather and worm infestations could push the price up higher, he said.

The board said some of the crop shortfall will be made by farmers in Virginia, North Carolina and Texas, where growing conditions were better this year.

The national peanut harvest is expected to total 1.7 million tons, down 11 percent from last year but sufficient for domestic needs, the board said.

Americans used 1.5 million pounds of peanuts last year, half of that for peanut butter. Another 500,000 tons were exported.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 13) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	78.90	79.15	78.60	78.70	78.85
Dec	76.85	77.00	76.45	76.52	76.75
Feb	75.57	75.65	75.07	75.10	75.47
Apr	76.00	76.00	75.65	75.65	76.02
Jun	73.90	73.90	73.57	73.65	73.90
Aug	72.20	72.20	71.95	71.95	72.10
Oct	72.20	72.30	71.90	71.90	72.10

Est. sales 14,049 contracts; Wednesday 9, 703; open interest 71,015 off 54.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Sep 88.00 88.35 87.95 88.20 87.60
Oct 86.95 87.10 86.80 86.95 86.62
Nov 87.00 87.15 86.60 86.65 86.80
Jan 86.35 86.40 86.17 86.25 86.22
Mar 84.80 84.92 84.75 84.87 84.75
Apr 83.75 83.95 83.75 83.75 83.60
May 82.75 82.85 82.75 82.75 82.55 Est. sales 1,408 contracts; Wednesday 900; open interest 9,998 up 86.
Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
Oct 50.50 51.22 50.17 50.62 50.67
Dec 51.30 51.60 50.95 51.00 51.47
Feb 48.45 48.75 48.25 48.32 48.80
Apr 44.92 45.20 44.80 44.90 45.10
Jun 49.55 49.60 49.15 49.32 49.60
Jly 49.55 49.75 49.55 49.62 49.75
Aug 48.45 48.20 48.30 48.40
Oct 43.60 43.60 43.20 43.40 43.40 Est. sales 7,210 contracts; Wednesday 6,012; open interest 26,837 up 263.
Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 54.30 54.70 52.60 53.00 54.60
Mar 54.10 54.52 52.70 52.97 54.47
May 54.90 55.25 53.55 53.82 55.10
Jly 54.00 54.80 53.50 53.82 55.42
Aug 54.00 54.00 51.90 51.90 52.35 Est. sales 3,285 contracts; Wednesday 3,685; open interest 6,219 off 9.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 120.49 up 28 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 119.03 up 40 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 114.62 off 34 cents, 700-850 lbs. 113.80 off 15 cents.

Pork carlot trading moderate to active; demand moderate to good; fresh pork loins steady to weak in a light test; Boston butts not tested; skinned hams generally steady- 1.00 higher; seedless bellies mostly 2.00 higher; loins 14-18 lbs. 115.50-121.50; hams 17-20 lbs. 90.00-92.00, 20-26 lbs. 89.00-93.00, 32 lbs. and up 88.00-89.00; bellies 16-18 lbs. 46.00, 18-20 lbs. 42.00, 20-25 lbs.40.00.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 13) UPI - The top executives of the Chicago Board of Trade said Thursday the exchange will contest two lawsuits filed against the CBOT in U.S. District Court by the Ferruzzi Group.

One seeks to stop the CBOT from proceeding with hearings to consider charges against Ferruzzi of market manipulation and violations of other exchange rules. Those charges arose from the emergency action taken by the CBOT board in the July 1989 soybean futures market.

The other seeks damages of $30 million on charges the CBOT manipulated the market and conspired to drive market prices downward because of the emergency order.

''The CBOT will resist these lawsuits to the fullest extent of the law,'' Chairman William O'Connor said. ''We will not permit them to interfere with our responsibility to protect the integrity of the market through our disciplinary process.''

Ferruzzi and its Central Soya unit, in a petition filed Wednesday, accused former CBOT Chairman Karsten Mahlmann and other officials of ''manipulating soybean prices downward ... to avoid losses to their firms.''

It also said Mahlmann had a conflict of interest because he presided over a trading firm that ''was in a precarious financial condition and might have failed had the order not been issued.''

Mahlmann resigned his positions as chairman of both the Stotler Group, of Chicago, and the CBOT last month.

''These lawsuits are obviously frivolous and without merit,'' CBOT President and Chief Executive Officer Thomas Donovan said. ''The Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the General Accounting Office conducted separate investigations and concluded there were no conflicts of interest.''

In July 1989, the CBOT board issued an emergency order requiring liquidation of large positions in July 1989 soybean futures, fearing that Ferruzzi was trying to corner the market.

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WARSAW, POLAND (SEPT. 13) UPI - NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner, in the first visit to Poland by a chief of the alliance, said Thursday ''no partial solutions are acceptable'' in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Woerner called for continued commitment and burden-sharing by the international community to end Iraqi aggression, and echoed a warning by President Bush Tuesday that if sanctions did not force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, other means would be used.

''We cannot rest until Iraq has withdrawn from Kuwait and freed the hostages '' the former West German defense minister told members of the Foreign Affairs

and Defense committees of the Polish parliament, or Sejm.

''No partial solutions are acceptable,'' he said.

Woerner said the international community must continue its commitment to sanctions against Iraq in the 6-week-old crisis, as well as assisting nations that are making sacrifices to implement the sanctions.

''The price will be high, but we cannot afford the even higher price of allowing Iraq to escape with impunity,'' he said.

Poland had contracts with Iraq for oil deliveries which were meant as payment against Iraqi debt to Poland, but only about one-fourth of the contracted shipments arrived before the embargo.

Poland is expected to lose $205 million in buying the lost oil on the world market and $2 billion overall as a result of the economic sanctions.

Woerner said NATO's aim is a Europe in which military aggression ''becomes materially impossible and politically meaningless.''

But he cautioned that this does not mean the alliance will disappear as the Council for Security and Cooperation in Europe, which is concluding disarmament talks in Vienna, takes on a greater role.

''The CSCE can certainly enhance security, but it cannot substitute for the Atlantic Alliance,'' he said. ''It does not have the means to take sanctions or ensure their implementation.''

He called for a new relationship between Poland and the NATO countries.

''The hostility and mistrust of the past must be buried,'' he said. ''We need to work together. Only in this way can we build the Common European Home or the European Confederation or the New European Order, call it what you will.''

He promised NATO help as Poland attempts to rebuild its shattered economy.

''We must now allow a division of Europe to continue according to wealth, for such a gap would ultimately undermine the stability and prosperity of all of us,'' he said.

Woerner was in Prague last week as part of NATO's effort to establish bilateral ties with the Warsaw Pact nations. Poland established permanent diplomatic contacts with NATO last month.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - The Florida state lottery jackpot has rolled over the 100-Million- dollar mark and is making a challenge to become largest in U-S history. The record is held by last year's 115-Million-dollar jackpot in Pennsylvania. The Florida total is expected to grow tomorrow and Saturday, usually the best days for sales.

High temperatures and low humidity are helping feed wildfires that have swept an estimated five-thousand acres in the Black Hills of South Dakota. The fire jumped state route 87 last night and spread into Custer State Park. A number of homes have been evacuated and two air tankers have been sent from Denver to help firefighters contain the flames.

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TALLAHASSEE, FL (SEPT. 13) UPI - Florida's Lotto jackpot soared to $100 million Thursday and was still climbing as psychologists warned players about the ''lottery fantasy syndrome,'' a form of depression that can occur in some ticket buyers.

Dr. Robert R. Butterworth, a Los Angeles psychologist who has researched the syndrome, said some players firmly believe they are going to win and begin making plans, usually involving drastic life changes, on how they are going to spend their winnings.

''People purchase a ticket, ignore the odds (1 in 13.98 million) and start thinking of the impossible: quitting their jobs, buying items that they've always wanted, going places that they have never been, and some even think of divorcing their spouses and starting their lives completely over,'' Butterworth said.

Failure to win results in ''the same old reality as before,'' he said. ''Life becomes more difficult, depression and apathy can occur - just because someone buys a lottery ticket.''

Florida's lottery prize is the second largest in U.S. history, the largest being a $115 million Pennsylvania jackpot split by 14 winners in April 1989.

Lottery officials said players were buying the $1 Lotto tickets at a rate of more than $24,000 a minute - 450 to 500 tickets a second - Thursday morning, about five times higher than the best Thursday on record.

That pace, if it continues, could exceed the central lottery computer's capability of handling 33 million entries a day. Lottery Secretary Rebecca Paul said sales Thursday should easily surpass the previous high for daily sales in Florida of 22 million and could surpass the national record of 28 million.

Lottery officials added another 30 computer terminals Wednesday and Thursday at retail outlets along the Florida border with Alabama and Georgia where all but three of the state's top 20 sales outlets are located.

The additional terminals brought the total statewide to about 7,480 outlets and close to the lottery computer's capacity of 7,500 outlets.

Paul said the fevered pace of sales caused her to believe there is ''only a slim chance that there will be no winner'' in Saturday's drawing.

''We had 90 percent of the combinations played last week when the jackpot was $55 million,'' she said.

Ticket sales end at 10:30 p.m. Saturday, 30 minutes before the drawing. Paul said the computer should be able to determine whether there was a winner or winners by noon Sunday, but it would not be able to determine the locale where the winning ticket or tickets were sold until Monday afternoon, because of the volume of tickets involved.

The ticket-buying frenzy is expected to get even worse Friday and Saturday since those are traditionally the days when sales increase. Approximately 75 percent of Lotto ticket sales take place on those days, in part because many players get paid at the end of the week or buy their tickets while doing grocery shopping.

Several outlets reported earlier this week that customers are having to wait up to two or three hours to purchase tickets, so lottery officials Thursday urged last-minute buyers to wear comfortable shoes and bring along a book to read and an umbrella for protection from sun and rain.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 13) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.60	2.62 1/2	2.57 1/2	2.59 3/4	2.66 3/4
Dec	2.74	2.79	2.71	2.76 1/2	2.83
Mar	2.85	2.92	2.85	2.90	2.95 3/4
May	2.93	2.99 3/4	2.93	2.97 1/2	3.03 1/4
Jly	3.00	3.07	3.00	3.06 1/4	3.09 1/2
Sep	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.12 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.33	2.34	2.31 3/4	2.33 1/4	2.39 1/4
Dec	2.28	2.28	2.24 3/4	2.25 3/4	2.34 1/4

Mar	2.36 1/2	2.37 1/4	2.34 1/2	2.35 1/4	
May	2.42 3/4	2.43 3/4	2.41	2.41 3/4	2.49 3/4
Jly	2.47	2.47 3/4	2.45 1/4	2.46	2.53 3/4
Sep	2.45 1/2	2.46 3/4	2.45	2.45 3/4	2.52 1/4
Dec	2.47 1/2	2.48	2.45 3/4	2.47	2.52 1/2

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	1.07	1.08 1/2	1.07	1.07	1.11 1/2
Dec	1.14 1/2	1.16 1/2	1.14 1/2	1.14 3/4	1.19 1/4
Mar	1.25 3/4	1.27 1/2	1.25 1/2	1.25 1/2	1.30 1/2
May	1.32	1.33 3/4	1.32	1.32 1/2	1.36 3/4
Jly	1.39	1.40	1.39	1.39 1/4	1.42 3/4

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	6.22	6.26 1/2	6.15	6.23	6.28 1/2
Nov	6.32 1/2	6.39 1/2	6.27	6.34	6.41 1/4
Jan	6.47	6.53	6.41	6.47 3/4	6.54 3/4
Mar	6.60	6.65 3/4	6.54 1/4	6.61 1/4	6.68
May	6.69 1/2	6.74	6.62 1/2	6.69 3/4	6.75 3/4
Jly	6.74	6.80	6.69	6.75 1/4	6.81 1/2
Aug	6.70	6.71	6.64	6.67 1/2	6.74
Sep	6.47 1/2	6.47 1/2	6.40	6.40	6.47
Nov	6.33 1/2	6.36 1/2	6.30 1/2	6.36 1/4	6.35 1/4

Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Sep	24.07	24.11	23.57	23.77	24.30
Oct	24.00	24.00	23.42	23.60	24.21
Dec	23.98	24.11	23.53	23.71	24.26
Jan	24.15	24.30	23.78	23.90	24.47
Mar	24.40	24.55	24.04	24.17	24.68
May	24.50	24.75	24.25	24.35	24.87
Jly	24.56	24.80	24.35	24.42	24.91
Aug	24.45	24.70	24.15	24.15	24.60
Sep	24.15	24.70	24.00	24.07	24.45
Oct	23.90	23.90	23.80	23.90	24.20

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	184.00	185.30	182.40	184.10	186.40
Oct	184.80	186.70	183.60	185.60	187.30
Dec	188.50	190.50	187.00	189.30	190.90
Jan	189.50	191.70	188.60	190.40	191.80
Mar	191.50	194.00	191.30	192.50	194.00
May	193.00	194.50	192.50	193.70	194.80
Jly	193.50	196.00	193.50	194.50	196.00
Aug	195.00	195.00	192.50	192.70	194.50
Sep	192.00	192.50	191.00	192.00	193.00
Oct	187.00	187.50	187.00	187.50	188.00

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GUATEMALA CITY (SEPT. 13) UPI - The supreme court ordered electoral officials to allow former military ruler Gen. Efrain Rios Montt to file an application to run for president in November elections, judicial officials said Thursday.

The decision by the court allowed Rios Montt to present to the country's registry his formal request to be accepted as a candidate. Electoral official still must decide whether his application will be accepted.

The electoral tribunal had originally rejected Rios Montt candidacy, saying that a clause in Guatemala's constitution prohibiting anyone who has led a military coup from running for president applied in his case.

Rios Montt led a coup by junior officers in March, 1982 and ruled the country until being ousted in August the following year. His presidency was marked by a sharp increase in brutal human rights violations in Guatemala.

Candidates had until midnight Wednesday to file their applications to run for president in the Nov. 11 general elections. The Citizen's Registry was notified at 11:30 p.m. local time of the court's decision permitting Rios Montt to register.

In their decision, the court judges said, ''The decision of the Electoral Tribunal of Sept. 3 is to be suspended and all the candidates (nominated by the three parties supporting Rios Montt) should register today.''

The court said the appeal of the electoral tribunal decision filed by Rios Montt had to be granted provisionally in order to guarantee that fundamental rights, including the right of appeal, are respected.

The decision was signed by supreme court president Edmundo Vasquez and six other judges. Two voted against the decision.

A total of 13 candidates, including Rios Montt, have presented their applications to run for president. The Registry will analyze all of the requests and determine which candidates have the legal right to run.

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#90256u1183 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
ATLANTA (SEPT. 13) UPI - Delta Air Lines said Thursday it will raise fares by an additional 4.2 percent on Oct. 1 because of the rising cost of jet fuel, and spokesman for several other major carriers said they were studying the move.

''We are still kind of studying the precise application, but we expect to go

along,'' said Jim Ashlock at Eastern Airlines in Miami.

''There is no question that the fuel situation is of such magnitude that it has to be passed through,'' he added. ''So Eastern will be a part of that, and can be expected to match the Delta action.''

Delta and other major U.S. carriers raised fares by 5.3 percent on Aug. 30 to cover higher fuel costs triggered by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2.

But airline spokesman have said that increase failed to make up for the added expense. In the meantime, jet fuel prices have continued to rise.

''When we announced the 5.3 percent increase, fuel at that time was up between 10 and 12 cents a gallon,'' said Delta spokesman Neal Monroe. ''There has been a continuing dramatic increase in fuel prices since then.''

Monroe said Delta's fuel costs have risen by 33 1/2 cents a gallon on a systemwide basis, adding about $670 million to the airline's annual fuel bill.

Other airlines have experienced similar increases.

The court-appointed trustee for Eastern Airlines said this week the price of jet fuel had risen from 56.5 cents a gallon to 84.5 cents since Aug. 1, adding $5 million to $10 million to the airline's monthly fuel bill.

Delta is the second major airline to announce an additional increase. Pan American World Airways earlier announced plans to raise fares by 4.4 percent on Tuesday, but the increase was delayed until Sept. 21, a spokeswoman said.

Spokesman for American Airlines, in Dallas, Washington-based USAir and Minnesota-based Northwest said their airlines were studying Delta's fare increase. United Airlines, in Chicago, declined to comment.

''We're aware of it and we're studying it,'' said American spokesman Tim Smith.

Smith said the earlier 5.3 percent fare hike probably hurt business, but because the increase coincided with the traditional fall traffic slump, American was not able to gauge its true impact.

''Domestic travel in August was already down, international travel up. That trend has been continuing,'' Smith said. ''We have been seeing flat or slightly negative growth in domestic travel.''

Major airlines imposed the earlier 5.3 percent increase only after several weeks of uncertainty and delay. Several airlines scrapped proposals to hike fares by 10 percent when competitors failed to match those hikes.

Monroe at Delta said further surcharges are possible, based on what fuel

prices do over the next several weeks and months.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 13) UPI - Southland Corp. Thursday extended for the third time its offer to exchange $1.8 billion of publicly-held debt for new securities as part of a massive restructuring leading to sale of 70 percent of the company to Japanese partners.

The new deadline, unless further extended, is Sept. 25.

For the plan to go through, at least 95 percent of the outstanding notes must be tendered, as well as two-third of the outstanding preferred stock.

But Southland, which operates the 7-Eleven store chain, has already met the target for the preferred stock.

''Over the past two weeks, we've succeeded in identifying the vast majority of Southland security-holders who have not yet tendered their securities,'' said Clark Matthews, Southland's chief financial officer. ''Over the next eight days, we will intensify our efforts to communicate with them, to explain the merits of the proposed restructuring and to urge them to tender their securities.''

Once the exchange offer is successfully completed, Southland's Japanese partners, Ito-Yokado Co. Ltd. and Seven-Eleven Japan Co. would acquire 70 percent of the company's new common stock in return for a capital infusion of $430 million.

Of the remainder of the new common stock, the bond and preferred stock holders will get 25 percent and Southland's existing sharehoders the other 5 percent.

The $1.8 billion debt, mostly in junk bonds, is part of the $4.9 billion debt incurred by Southland's founding Thompson family when it too the company private in 1987.

Simultaneously with the latest announcement, Southland said its Japanese partners had agreed to extend the termination date of their stock purchase agreement to the same Sept. 25 deadline.

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#90256u1208 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (SEPT. 13) UPI - Railway drivers held a one-hour wildcat warning strike Thursday over a pay dispute, delaying several dozen passenger trains in the most serious labor unrest for the Solidarity-led government since farmers' protests last summer.

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Neither the Solidarity union nor OPZZ, the formerly communist-run federation of trade unions, participated in the action.

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#90256u1219 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (SEPT. 13) UPI - The European Community is considering a German draft of a transatlantic declaration stressing the EC's special relationship with the United States, diplomats said Thursday.

The declaration would call for cooperation in science and technology, drugs, the environment and security matters. It would also call strongly for free trade, said a diplomatic source who had seen the draft prepared by West Germany.

''It provides a general overview of the relation between the U.S. and the European Community in the political and economic spheres,'' the source said. ''It seeks to underline the importance of the relationship in light of all the recent changes in Europe, to stress that a special relationship exists.''

A draft declaration will likely be reviewed by EC leaders at a summit in Rome next month, and be taken by the EC president, Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, to the United States in early November for negotiation over the language, sources said.

Initial discussion of the document could begin at next Monday's meeting of EC foreign ministers in Brussels, diplomats said.

The declaration stems from U.S. Secretary of State James Baker's much-cited speech in Berlin last fall and from a June EC summit in Dublin, both of which called for closer transatlantic ties.

West Germany forwarded its draft to the EC executive Commission, which has also received suggestions from other EC delegations.

''A transatlatic declaration is the logical next step,'' said an EC Commission spokesman. ''It would send a political message that both parties are eager to identify areas of continuing cooperation.''

No opposition to such a declaration is expected from EC member states, though Britain is concerned such a statement could look silly if the current round of trade-liberalization talks collapse late this year.

The trade talks, known as the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, have been deadlocked over the issue of EC agricultural supports, and the United States has been the EC's leading critic. The talks are due to conclude in Brussels in December.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Gold futures closed 30 to 80 points higher Thursday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	381.50	....	....	382.90	382.10
Oct	383.00	385.80	382.50	384.20	383.50
Dec	387.50	390.40	386.90	388.80	388.10
Feb	391.80	394.20	391.80	393.00	392.40
Apr	395.80	398.50	395.50	397.00	396.40
Jun	400.10	401.20	400.10	401.20	400.70
Aug	404.10	405.10	404.10	405.10	404.70
Oct	408.60	409.50	408.60	409.50	409.20
Dec	413.80	413.80	413.80	414.10	413.70
Feb	418.00	419.00	418.00	419.00	418.60
Apr	422.70	423.70	422.70	423.70	423.30
Jun	427.70	428.70	427.70	428.70	428.30

Open interest: 115,614 off 3,013.
Estimated sales: 28,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	381.50	up	0.50
Morning fixing	382.15	up	0.65
Afternoon fixing	382.20	up	0.70
Close	383.75	up	2.25
Paris	383.28	up	1.71
Zurich	382.50	up	0.50
Hong Kong	382.35	up	1.70
New York			
Comex spot close	382.90	up	0.80
Republic cash	383.75	up	0.75
Handy and Harman	382.20	up	0.15

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 383.50 up 0.15 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 402.16 up 0.16 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.773	off	0.028
Republic cash	4.81	off	0.02

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.79 per fine ounce off 0.02

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.805 off 0.015 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.141 off 0.016

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 459.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 559.00 up 1.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 106.00 unchanged per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 121.00 unchanged.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90256u1242 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	381.96	229.94	129.87	23.64	322.54
Opening	380.55	228.57	129.70	23.54	321.43
11 a.m.	379.90	227.72	129.71	23.45	320.89
Noon	380.57	228.10	130.23	23.44	321.49
1 p.m.	380.70	228.37	130.68	23.43	321.71

2 p.m.	379.23	227.56	130.21	23.35	320.49
3 p.m.	377.23	226.86	129.62	23.24	318.85

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#90256u1250 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

TALLAHASSEE, FL (SEPT. 13) UPI - The Florida Supreme Court ruled Thursday that the state constitution's guarantee of privacy gives incurably ill patients the right to refuse life support.

The court ruled in a unanimous decision that if the patient is unable to make such decisions for himself, but previously expressed his wishes in writing or in remarks to friends or loved ones while he was in a competent state, his guardians can withhold sustenance for him.

The opinion written by Justice Rosemary Barkett says essentially that the state has no business regulating private medical decisions, even for people who are mentally incapacitated.

''The right involved here is one of self-determination that cannot be qualified by the condition of the patient,'' Barkett wrote.

''We are persuaded that when the patient has taken the time and the trouble to specifically express his or her wishes for future health care in the event of later incapacity, the surrogate need not obtain prior judicial approval to carry out those wishes.''

The ruling applies regardless of whether there is an actual written living will. The court said that it is sufficient if a patient has expressed the desire not to be kept alive by artificial means.

The court said that such decisions need not be made solely by a legally designated guardian, but may also be made by family members or close friends. Additionally, persons holding proxies to make medical decisions for incompetent patients were given the authority to withhold life support.

The court recognized that its ruling might be open to abuse, but rejected the state's arguments that judges should be consulted.

''We are loath to impose a cumbersome legal proceeding at such a delicate time in those many cases where the patient neither needs nor desires additional protections,'' the court said.

The court's ruling stems from a suit filed by the guardians of Estelle Browning, an elderly woman from Pinellas County. A judge had refused to permit her legal guardian to carry out the terms of Browning's ''living will'' stipulating that she did not want to be kept alive artificially.

Browning died July 16, 1989. The court said it was deciding the case anyway to clarify the legal issues under the constitutional right to privacy.

The long-awaited ruling came under privacy language inserted in the Florida Constitution through a 1978 referendum. The court used the same language one year ago to uphold the right of women and teenaged girls to seek abortions.

''We're buoyed by the decison, certainly, and will look for the continued extension of privacy rights within the state of Florida,'' said Robyn Blumner, director of the Florida chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union.

The court did say that the surrogate must make sure the patient signed any living will willingly and without undue influence, or that any oral declaration is reliable; that there is no reasonable possibility of recovery; and that any limitations in the written or oral declarations are satisfied.

In meeting those obligations, the court ruled, the surrogate may rely upon a certificate signed by three doctors.

The court said it would permit legal challenges only on the question of whether a patient is really terminally ill or suffering an incurable illness, whether he or she has had a change of mind since making the declaration, or whether the particular details of the patient's declaration are being honored.

The focus should be on what the patient would have wanted, the court said, and not on what the guardian wants.

In 1986, at age 86, Browning suffered brain damage in a stroke that left her unable to swallow. She was placed in a nursing home where she required constant care and had to be fed through tubes, according to court records.

Two years later, with Browning plagued by physical difficulties including numerous episodes of vomiting and bleeding, her cousin and only living relative, Doris Herbert, asked a circuit judge to have her feeding tube removed.

However, the judge ruled Browning's condition was not covered under Florida's living will law because her illness was not technically terminal and the law did not provide for withdrawal of sustenance, although it has since been changed to cover situations such as hers.

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#90256u1265 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan urged lawmakers Thursday to be cautious in their efforts to reform the federal deposit insurance system, which runs the risk of depletion should the economy worsen or a major bank fail.

Greenspan's comments came amid reports from the General Accounting Office and the Congressional Budget Office that the $13.2 billion insurance fund, which protects depositors when banks fail, is facing its greatest danger since the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. was created in 1933, at the depth of the Great Depression.

''Reform is required. So is caution,'' Greenspan told the House Banking Committee.

''If we were starting from scratch, the board believes it would be difficult to make the case that deposit insurance coverage should be as high as its current $100,000 level,'' Greenspan said.

Greenspan also said he supports requiring banks to maintain higher levels of capital as a way to ease the strain on the deposit insurance system. Such a move also would tend to speed the move toward bank consolidation and slow bank asset growth.

''Higher capital standards should go a long way toward inducing market-like behavior by banks,'' Greenspan said.

The GAO said the fund's 1989 financial statement showed a loss of $852 million during the year, marking its second consecutive loss. A GAO audit showed the fund's balance declined 28 percent during the past two years to $13.2 billion from $18.3 billion due to steady levels of high bank failures.

Although the bank insurance fund is under considerable stress, Greenspan said there is no need to panic.

Several members of the committee told Greenspan they believed banks are following the same disasterous path as the thrift industry.

''There is a great dal of fear in Congress and the country that we are going through this whole thing all over again,'' said Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y.

But Greenspan disagreed, noting that the banking industry, overall, is better capitalized than thrifts and that banks face tougher federal supervision.

''The order of the magnitude of the size of the problem is quite different,'' Greenspan said.

Greenspan also repeated his suggestions that the Federal Reserve would move to ease interest rates should the White House and lawmakers agree to a substantial reduction in the federal budget deficit.

''If there is enacted a credible, enforceable budget agreement, such that the markets perceive this is real and not just goals that are vague, it is my

judgment that long-term interest rates will go down,'' he said.

He told the panel that the Fed's easing in June was prompted by the independent tightening by banks of consumer credit. Although he said a substantial portion of the credit pullback was good, he believes bankers went overboard.

''In the last couple of months it was more restrictive than necessary,'' he said.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - Iraq's ambassador to the United States now says an eight-minute videotape made by President Bush will get an airing, if it is sent to Baghdad through the proper channels. Bush made the tape yesterday to tell the Iraqi people just why the rest of the world is against their government's move into Kuwait. The ambassador says the tape will be broadcast in Iraq five times and then released to the rest of the world.

The 50-member nations of the Commonwealth organization support Kuwait , but the organization will NOT become involved in the Persian Gulf crisis. Hundreds of thousands of people from the former British colonies making up the Commonwealth worked in the area when Iraq invaded Kuwait. Thousands made it back to their homes, but thousands more are still trapped by the conflict.

The questioning of U-S Supreme Court nominee David Souter has begun in Washington... and the major question now is- how far will members of the Senate Judiciary Committee go in trying to find out everything they can. Committee Chairman Joseph Biden says that while he won't push for specific answers, he wants to know the principles and philosophies that Souter embodies.

A small army of searchers are using everything from metal detectors to trained dogs as they go over every inch of ground near the area where five University of Florida students died last week. Searchers plan to cover one-thousand to two-thousand acres of land within a 10-square-mile area of the Gainseville murder scenes looking for anything they can. They have instructions to mark anything suspicious but to touch nothing.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - Energy Secretary James Watkins said Thursday the world faces an ''uncertain'' oil supply situation later this year and that a decision is possible by October on tapping government-held strategic petroleum reserves to offset the loss of Middle East oil.

Watkins, appearing before the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee to

discuss the cutoff of Kuwaiti and Iraqi oil, also announced a new 14-point program to encourage energy conservation, promote fuel- switching and boost domestic oil production over the next 18 to 24 months.

Among those ''medium-term'' measures, Watkins asked Congress to approve legislation to open up Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil exploration - an effort that has been stalled since the Exxon Valdez oil spill in March 1989.

The program also calls for:

-Speeding up government approval of natural gas pipeline projects and incinerators that burn garbage to produce energy.

-A presidential order directing federal agencies to buy more alternative-fuel cars and increase energy efficiency in government buildings.

-A national advertising campaign to encourage Americans to conserve oil by reducing electricity use, replacing inefficient furnaces and using lower-octane gasoline.

On a related issue, Watkins urged caution on bills to penalize price- gouging at the pump by oil companies. He said that while gasoline prices had gone up suspiciously fast, similar price-gouging charges were made last winter about heating oil, but a subsequent government investigation showed no abuses.

As for the overall oil supply outlook, Watkins said there were no immediate concerns, partly because the world still had access to Kuwaiti and Iraqi oil shipped before the world imposed an embargo on Iraq as punishment for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

But he said there could be a squeeze when the full impact of the trade embargo against Iraq kicks in later this fall.

''The full effects of the oil embargo will not be fully evident until late September,'' Watkins said. ''We view the current market as relatively stable, but uncertain about future supply.''

''I don't like to say now there is going to be a shortage because that's a self-fulfilling prophecy,'' he added. ''I believe we can manage this.''

Watkins said the United States and its allies were taking aggressive measures to improve conservation and raise oil production, with Saudi Arabia, Venezuala and other oil-producing nations pledging major increases.

But he said there was still a shortfall that currently was being covered by draw-down of existing commercial oil stocks. He said commercial stocks were very high earlier this year, but quickly were being depleted and likely would

reach ''normal'' levels by the end of September.

He said the world community would review the oil supply situation - and the possible use of government-held strategic petroleum reserves - at a meeting of the International Energy Agency scheduled for late September.

''That will be a very key meeting as to whether the (conservation) measures we all agreed to are doing the job,'' Watkins said.

He said the status of commercial oil stocks would be a crucial factor in determining whether the U.S. government, Japan, West Germany and others begin selling off their strategic reserves.

''It's going to be a stocks issue,'' he said. ''I don't think any of us want to use it (strategic reserves) too quickly. It's a finite resource.''

Watkins said the administration would not open up its 590-million- gallon Strategic Petroleum Reserve - half of all government-held strategic stocks - unless other countries took similar action.

Short of tapping its strategic reserve, Watkins said the Energy Department already had achieved substantial success in reducing U.S. oil imports with various ''short-term'' conservation and production initiatives announced Aug. 15. Those ranged from higher output from Alaskan oil fields to pleas that Americans keep their car tires properly inflated to ensure optimum gas mileage.

All told, Watkins said he hoped to cut U.S. oil imports by over 1 million barrels a day to help offset the loss of 4.3 million barrels of Kuwaiti and Iraqi oil daily.

Among the 14 new ''medium-term'' energy security initiatives, Watkins urged Congress to act on several administration legislative proposals, including more tax incentives for exploratory drilling and the bill to open up the Arctic wildlife refuge to oil companies.

''The time has come to move forward on the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in an environmentally sound manner,'' Watkins said. ''The coastal plain of the refuge should be explored, and if significant resources are found, it should be developed without damage to wildlife.''

The Senate energy panel approved legislation authorizing exploration in early March of 1989, but the bill was shelved following national outrage over the grievous environmental damage caused by the Exxon Valdez disaster.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - In Denver, an administrative law judge has turned down a

motion by Neil Bush that he cannot be disciplined in the failure of the Silverado Banking savings and loan. President Bush's son had asked that a cease- and-desist order sought by government regulators be dismissed because the thrift NO longer exists. But the Office of Thrift Supervision argued Bush could become the director of another thrift in the future. The case will begin later this month.

Colombia is just saying NO to relations based on the battle against cocaine trafficking with the United States. Colombia's foreign minister says his nation wants to ''de-narcotize'' its ties with Washington and focus on commercial relations instead. Colombia is asking for help to improve an economy hurt by its battle against the cocaine cartels.

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JERUSALEM (SEPT. 13) UPI - Israeli officials Thursday played down U.S. Secretary of State James Baker's visit to Syria, but analysts wondered whether the new alliances forged by the gulf crisis would not place greater pressure on Israel.

Baker's scheduled Friday meeting with Syrian President Hafez Assad is the first such diplomatic visit in almost a decade and coincides with Syria's announcement it was prepared to send more troops to the gulf region to deter Iraqi aggression.

Foreign Minister David Levy has said Baker assured him no decision would be taken during the visit ''behind Israel's back or at Israel's expense.'' Among Israel's Arab neighbors, Syria is the most steadfast foe.

''I don't see any sign of any pressure on Israel nor do I see any need for any pressure since we issued a public invitation to Mr. Assad to come and talk peace with us,'' said Yossi Olmert, director of Israel's Government Press Office and an expert on Syria. ''We don't need anyone to pressure us to do it again.''

Earlier this year, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir issued an appeal to Arab leaders, particularly to Assad, to negotiate peace with Israel. Egypt is the only Arab nation to have made peace with Israel, with the signing of the 1978 Camp David Accords.

While the gulf crisis and Syria's role is expected to be at the top of Baker's talks with Assad, the Israeli-Arab conflict would be on the back burner and ''certainly as general thoughts for the future,'' Israeli analyst Amos Gilboa said.

''The central question that will begin to concern (Israel) from now is - will there be a softening of the harsh Syrian standpoints with regards a settlement

with Israel?'' Gilboa wrote in a front-page commentary in the Ma'ariv newspaper. ''Or in fact will the position of strength that Assad is to be found in at the moment strengthen his harshness and motivate him to pressure the United States to draw compromises from Israel?

''I tend to the second possibility. We will wait and see,'' Gilboa said.

If the gulf crisis pushes Syria into a more moderate position toward Israel and into a peace process, Olmert said, Damascus ''would be most welcome.''

''But I think there is a fundamental problem here that we ought to pay attention to. Coalitions, alliances and new order, all these nice terms that people attach to the current situation in the Middle East, are all determined by the gulf situation,'' he said.

''I would caution if people think that those coalitions are going necessarily to survive beyond the crisis and to become a permanent set of life in the Middle East.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 1 point higher to 9 points lower. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	11.06	11.10	10.87	10.91	11.00
Mar	10.75	10.78	10.62	10.64	10.73
May	10.73	10.75	10.64	10.67	10.68
Jly	10.74	10.76	10.64	10.68	10.68
Oct	10.78	10.82	10.76	10.76	10.75

Estimated sales: 16,890 contracts

Open interest: 115,448 up 1,853

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.94

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday 9 points higher to 3 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	22.90	22.95	22.87	22.95	22.95
Jan	22.70	22.72	22.63	22.70	22.72
Mar	22.76	22.76	22.73	22.75	22.77
May	22.79	22.80	22.76	22.77	22.80
Jly	22.79	22.80	22.77	22.80	22.80
Sep	22.89	22.89	22.89	22.89	22.80
Nov	22.70	22.70	22.70	22.70	22.65

Estimated sales: 830 contracts

Open interest: 10,192 up 80

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#90256u1306 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (SEPT. 13) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev, facing a chorus of demands for Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov's resignation, is on the verge of taking urgent steps to stabilize the economy, a senior aide said Thursday.

Nikolai Petrakov, Gorbachev's personal economic adviser, also told reporters that the Soviet leader wants to see the beginning of a market economy established by Jan. 1 with a partial freeing of prices from state control.

''We are drawing the line under the command-administrative methods of management that dominated our economy,'' Petrakov said. ''We believe that these methods did not stand the test of time. They have discredited themselves. The best proof of which methods are better is the end result. We are going through a deep economic crisis.''

In an interview broadcast Thursday evening on national television, Boris Yeltsin, radical leader of the Russian Federation, accused Ryzhkov of blocking fundamental economic change and called again for the prime minister to resign along with his central government.

''We do not have any time left,'' Yeltsin said. ''Time today is our biggest shortage.''

The Russian republic's Parliament headed by Yeltsin, which Tuesday approved a radical economic program to take effect Oct. 1, continued its aggressive campaign by setting up free enterprise zones in several areas in the huge republic that takes up three-quarters of the Soviet Union.

The central government, meanwhile, released new statistics showing that the Soviet economy weakened further in August with a 1.7 percent drop in industrial production, the steepest monthly fall this year.

Amid a host of other shortages, a government official said state- owned presses that print newspapers, passports and currency are running out of ink and may have to shut down in several weeks.

Petrakov said that Gorbachev within several days will likely create an ''emergency inter-republican economic council'' that will be accountable to him and charged with coordinating urgent measures implemented by presidential decree.

Petrakov's disclosure indicated that Gorbachev may not wait for action by the Soviet Parliament, which has been bogged down in bitter debate over competing economic-reform plans.

Yeltsin supports the creation of an emergency council under Gorbachev's command, Petrakov said.

''I believe, and my opinion is shared by Yeltsin, that the new body should be responsible to the Soviet president, especially if we take into account that, according to the Constitution, he can quickly issue decrees,'' Petrakov said.

Petrakov was part of a 13-member panel set up last month by Gorbachev and Yeltsin, which used Yeltsin's bold ''500 Days'' program for Russia as the basis of a plan for the whole country.

The radical strategy has been opposed by Ryzhkov, who warned the Soviet Parliament Tuesday that it would cause rampant inflation, unemployment and a sharp drop in living standards. Ryzhkov is pushing his own program, which keep central pricing and maintain a large degree of central control over the economy.

Yeltsin has vowed to implement the radical plan in the Russian Federation on Oct. 1 whether or not the Soviet legislature has approved it by then. He said Thursday that the first 100 days would be focused on stabilizing the ruble, the Soviet currency that has become virtually worthless in its own country.

Petrakov also said the first emergency steps taken by Gorbachev should be to stem the ruble's decline, but neither he nor Yeltsin provided details on how it might be strengthened.

Moscow Mayor Gavriil Popov added his voice to the chorus of demands for Ryzhkov's resignation, telling the independent Interfax news service that Gorbachev will not be able to implement radical reforms as long as Ryzhkov is in power.

Petrakov sharply rebutted Ryzhkov's criticism of the radical economic program, accusing his government of pursuing a ''scorched earth'' policy of obstruction.

''The market must begin on Jan. 1, 1991,'' Petrakov said. ''We cannot leave this business to the ministries. The ministries must go.''

Yeltsin said the huge central ministries that have run the Soviet economy for seven decades must be eliminated. He said the Russian republic will eventually be administered by just four or five ministries, with most power wielded by local authorities.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - The Senate voted Thursday to relax restrictions on exports of sophisticated technology, helping open new markets for American

producers in Eastern Europe and other areas.

The Senate approved the bill, which extends controls through 1990, to the House that has passed its own version of the bill.

The measure adopted by the Senate would bring U.S. restrictions on the sale of high-tech goods to Eastern Europe in line with those adopted this summer by the 17-nation Coordinating Committee for Multilateral Export Controls (Cocom).

The controls, first adopted in 1979, were designed to keep computers and other sophisticated technology with potential military use away from the Soviet Union and countries behind the now-demolished Iron Curtain.

The bill would make it easier to export the high-tech goods to Central and Eastern European countries - although not to the Soviet Union - and also would sharply reduce the number of items subject to controls.

The legislation would also permit the federal Export-Import Bank to finance military sales for the first time in 20 years.

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#90256u1342 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - The 2,500-man 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit capable of amphibious landings and special operations has moved into the Persian Gulf, posing a seaborne threat to Iraqi forces occupying Kuwait.

The 13th MEU, based at Okinawa, is supported in the gulf by the battleship USS Wisconsin, whose powerful 16-inch guns can bombard enemy positions if a conflict erupts and it is decided to land U.S. forces on Kuwaiti beaches.

The Marine unit, codenamed Amphibious Ready Group Alpha, is described in messages to the Pentagon as being ''special operations capable,'' which a defense official said meant the Marines had been trained in hostage-rescue situations and in seizing key posts.

In addition, at least nine amphibious ships carrying the 15,000-man 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade from Norfolk, Va., were in the Gulf of Oman Thursday and on their way to the Persian Gulf.

This will be the final 15,000-strong Marine unit to arrive in the region, where some 30,000 Marines are already holding down forward positions on the ground in northern Saudi Arabia, authorities said.

Defense officials have refused to publicly disclose numbers of U.S. troops or forces in the region, other than to say there are ''well over 100,000 military personnel'' in the area, including more than 55 American warships.

Pentagon officials who asked not be identified said there are more than 140,000 U.S. military personnel in Saudi Arabia and the Middle East. This includes between 30,000 and 40,000 naval forces aboard the 55 warships, and another 30,000 Air Force personnel. The remaining 70,000 are ground troops.

Air Force Gen. John Loh disclosed in a speech this week that the Air Force has the equivalent of five tactical fighter wings committed to Operation Desert Shield. There are 72 planes in a wing, meaning there are at least 360 F-15s, F-16s, A-10s and F-117A stealth fighters in the region.

In addition, Loh said, ''Long-range strategic B-52 bombers are poised in the region capable of striking at the heart of Iraqi's industry and leadership if required.''

The Navy's three aircraft carriers in the region carry another 70 combat aircraft each, for a total of 210 aircraft. That means there are about 600 U.S. Navy and Air Force fighters, bombers and attack aircraft in the area.

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#90256u1353 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

OTTAWA (SEPT. 13) UPI - Federal government policies and weakening growth could plunge Canada's largest provinces into a recession before the end of the year, the Conference Board of Canada warned Thursday.

The organization, a respected economic think tank, said the manufacturing sector, based mainly in Ontario and Quebec, was already in recession because of the sluggish U.S. economy, a highly-priced Canadian dollar and weakening domestic consumption.

Gilles Rheaume, spokesman for the Board's forecasting and analysis group, also warned that Atlantic Canada and the four western provinces, which have posted economic growth well above the national average this year, will follow central Canada into a recession in 1991.

''Overall, the Canadian economy is entering a very difficult period of sluggish growth and potential recession,'' Rheaume said.

The Conference Board report followed an admission last week by Finance Minister Michael Wilson that the country was possibly heading into a recession. Wilson made the comment after Statistics Canada figures showed the economy had shrunk for the first three months of this year after nearly four years of growth.

''It's a possibility, but it's too early to say,'' Wilson said when asked whether the country was headed into a recession.

Canada last suffered a recession, technically defined as two consecutive

quarters of declining gross domestic product, in 1981-82. At that time, the economy declined for six quarters, before rebounding.

Rheaume said the Bank of Canada, the country's central bank, would likely continue its strict monetary policy, including high interest rates, at least until late 1991 to stave off inflation.

Rheaume said no province would escape the effects of high interest rates, which include lower consumer spending, housing and capital spending.

In addition, he said the federal government's plan to implement an eight percent tax on goods and services next January 1 would restrict personal spending and housing in all provinces in 1991.

The combination of high interest rates and the new tax ''will lead to weak growth in all parts of Canada in 1991,'' he said.

Meanwhile Thursday, the Bank of Canada dropped its trend-setting rate to 12.70 percent from 12.82 a week ago, the 12th such decline in as many weeks.

In response, the Bank of Montreal dropped its lending rate on prime loans to 13.75 percent from 14 percent.

John Crow, governor of the Bank of Canada, said the slight progress in battling inflation could be upset by the recent surge in oil prices and the proposed goods and services tax. If inflationary pressures intensify, he said, the Bank of Canada will respond with higher interest rates.

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#90256u1369 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

BETHESDA, MD (SEPT. 13) UPI - The first official effort at human gene therapy is expected to start Friday when government scientists insert genes into the cells of a 4-year-old child to correct an immune system defect, officials said Thursday.

National Institutes of Health researchers will attempt the ground- breaking therapy ''pending Food and Drug Administration approval, the clinical status of the child, and readiness of the gene-corrected cells for infusion,'' according to an NIH statement.

The child suffers from a condition known as ADA Deficiency, a rare childhood immune system deficiency that afflicted the famed Texas ''bubble boy.''

The disease affects no more than 20 children worldwide at any given time, and in the past, some affected youngsters lived in plastic bubbles to guard against life-threatening infections. Now, most such children undergo bone marrow transplants or receive injections of the missing enzyme.

The disorder is caused by defect in a gene that prevents the production of an enzyme known as adenosine deaminase.

Dr. W. French Anderson of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute and Dr. R. Michael Blaese of the National Cancer Institute lead a team of scientist who plan to insert correct copies of the gene into the young patient's white blood cells and then put the cells back into the body.

Anderson's team plans to perform gene therapy on three to four children annually who do not have siblings who can donate bone marrow and who are not responding well to enzyme replacement.

The proposal has gone through more than three years of review to address concerns of critics who worry gene therapy could lead to ethically questionable attempts at genetic engineering.

Although the first two government-sanctioned plans for gene therapy involve relatively rare diseases, the work could pave the way for development of a new breed of treatments for a wide range of illnesses.

An NIH advisory panel in July endorsed two plans to use gene therapy to treat children with depressed immune systems and cancer patients.

The FDA is still reviewing the proposal of Dr. Steven Rosenberg of the National Cancer Institute, who applied two weeks ago to use gene therapy to enhance another experimental therapy in patients suffering from melanoma, a rare, deadly type of skin cancer.

Jeremy Rifkin, president of the non-profit Foundation on Economic Trends in Washington, has criticized the plan to use gene therapy in children.

''We feel the experiment is premature and we question whether it has any redeeming value as an experiment,'' said Rifkin, who for 13 years has called for tighter regulation of genetic research to prevent misuse.

Rifkin noted the current enzyme replacement drug is marginally effective to very effective in the sick children, and even the researchers caution that gene therapy might trigger cancer or cause antibiotic resistance.

''Technology is rushing way ahead of the willingness of the government to make sure it is not abused and does not run amok,'' he said.

Every person has about 100,000 genes bearing the instructions for everything from eye color to the risk of developing certain diseases. Gene therapy involves inserting genes with correct information into cells that contain defective genes, or putting in new genes that code for disease-fighting substances.

Ten years ago, without the government's approval, Dr. Martin Cline from the University of California-Los Angeles unsucessfully tried gene transplant techniques on two women with an inherited blood disorder. The NIH severely reprimanded Cline, and there has been an unofficial moratorium on such experiments since.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1092.1
Wednesday	1099.2
Week ago	1110.4
Month ago	1121.4
Year ago	1096.8
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.01

60 to 89 days 7.89

90 to 119 days 7.76

120 to 149 days 7.75

150 to 179 days 7.66

180 to 270 days 7.61

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.00 - 7.70

Issuers 30 days 7.99

Issuers 90 days 7.67

Issuers 270 days 7.42

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.06

60 to 89 days 8.01

90 to 119 days 7.99

120 to 149 days 8.01

150 to 179 days 8.01

180 days 8.01

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

1 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

3 month 8.00 - 8.125

6 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

Year 8.125 - 8.25

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.36 - 7.34

6 months 7.28 - 7.26

Year 7.20 - 7.18

Federal Funds: High 8, Low 7 15-16, Close 7 15-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7.840 off 0.024.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - As of Thursday, the United States had committed the following forces to Saudi Arabia and nearby waters in support of Operation Desert Shield. The forces in the gulf region or designated to go include:

Navy
Joint Task Force-Middle East
(In the Persian Gulf - 13 ships)
1 Joint Task Force Command ship: USS LaSalle
1 Battleship: USS Wisconsin
1 Amphibious command ship: USS Blue Ridge, flagship for the commander of U.S. naval forces, U.S. Central Command.
2 Cruisers: USS England and USS Antietam
2 Destroyers: USS David R. Ray, one other
3 Frigates: USS Robert G. Bradley, USS Barbey, one other. Three Amphibious ships carrying the 2,500-man 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit, or Amphibious Ready Group Alpha, from Okinawa.

Independence Battle Group
(In the Gulf of Oman - 18 ships)
1 Carrier: USS Independence
1 Cruiser: USS Jouett
1 Destroyer: USS Goldsborough
2 Frigate: USS Reid and USS Brewton
4 Supply ships
9 Marine amphibious ships carrying the 15,000-man 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade headed for the Persian Gulf.

(In the Gulf of Aden)
Five amphibious ships of the 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade are trailing behind, in the Gulf of Aden.
Saratoga Battle Group

(In the Red Sea - 8 ships)
1 Carrier: USS Saratoga
2 Cruisers: USS Philippine Sea and USS Biddle
1 Destroyer: USS Sampson
3 Frigates: USS Elmer Montgomery, USS Thomas C. Hart and USS Samuel B. Roberts
1 Fast combat ship

Kennedy Battle Group
(In the Mediterranean - more than 15 ships)
1 Carrier: USS John F. Kennedy
4 Cruisers: USS Mississippi, USS San Jacinto, USS Thomas S. Gates, one other
2 Destroyers: USS Moosbrugger, one other
4 Auxiliary ships
4 Amphibious ships, Mediterranean Amphibious Ready Group 3-90, carrying the 2,500-man 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit.
Other U.S. warships, including the 6th Fleet flagship, the USS Belknap, are in the Mediterranean.

Air Force
Military Airlift Command (MAC) C-141, C-5 and C-130 cargo aircraft are involved in moving personnel and equipment to the Middle East
-Strategic Air Command (SAC) KC-135 and KC-10 aerial tankers are refueling aircraft en route to the Middle East.
-F-15 Eagle fighters from 1st Tactical Fighter Wing, Langley Air Force Base, Va.
-F-15E Eagle fighters from 4th Tactical Fighter Wing, Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, N.C.
-F-16 Fighting Falcon fighters from 363rd Tactical Fighter Wing, Shaw Air Force Base, S.C.
-E-3 Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) planes from 552nd Airborne Warning and Control Wing, Tinker Air Force Base, Okla.
-RC-135 reconnaissance aircraft.
-F-117A stealth fighter-bombers from 37th Tactical Fighter Wing, Tonopah Test Range Airfield, Nev.
-A-10 Thunderbolt II ground-attack aircraft from 354th Tactical Fighter Wing, Myrtle Beach Air Force Base, S.C.
-F-111F fighter-bombers from 48th Tactical Fighter Wing, Royal Air Force, Lakenheath, England.
-F-4G Wild Weasel fighters from 35th Tactical Fighter Wing, George Air Force Base, Calif.
-C-130 Hercules cargo aircraft from 435th Tactical Airlift Wing, Rhein Main Air Base, West Germany; 317th Tactical Airlift Wing, Pope Air Force Base, N.C.; and 314th Tactical Airlift Wing, Little Rock Air Force Base, Ark.
-Air Transportable Hospitals from MacDill, Langley, Shaw, Seymour Johnson and Myrtle Beach Air Force bases.
-F-16 jets from 401st Tactical Fighter Wing, Torrejon Air Base, Spain, to Qatar.

Army - Elements of:
-1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas
-2nd Armored Division, Fort Hood.
-82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C.

-24th Infantry (Mechanized) Division, Fort Stewart, Ga.
-101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Ky.
-1st Corps Support Command, Fort Bragg, N.C.
-197th Infantry Brigade (Mechanized), Fort Benning, Ga.
-3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Bliss, Texas.
-11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, Fort Bliss, Texas.
-101st Aviation Brigade, Fort Campbell, Ky.
-Headquarters, 3rd U.S. Army, Fort McPherson, Ga.
-3rd Corps Artillery, Fort Sill, Okla.
-7th Medical Command, West Germany.
-13th Corps Support Command, Fort Hood, Texas.
-12th Combat Aviation Brigade, West Germany
-3rd Armored Division, West Germany

Marines - Elements of:
-1st Marine Expeditionary Force, command element from Camp Pendleton, Calif.
-1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade, Marine Corps Air Station, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.
-4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade, headquartered at Norfolk, Va.; includes units of 2nd Marine Division and 2nd Force Service Support Group from Camp LeJeune, N.C., and the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing at Cherry Point and New River, N.C.
-7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade, Twenty-Nine Palms, Calif.; includes units of 1st Marine Division and 1st Force Service Support Group, Camp Pendleton, Calif.; 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, El Toro, Calif.

In addition, the hospital ship USNS Comfort is now in the Persian Gulf.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	56 5-8	up 3-8
AT&T Company	30	off 5-8
BCE Inc	30 7-8	unch
Bell Atlantic	44	up 1-2
BellSouth Corp	50 3-8	up 1-8
Exxon Corp	50 3-4	off 5-8
Ford Motor Co	34 7-8	off 5-8
Genl Electric	60 1-4	off 1 3-4
General Motors	38 1-4	unch
GTE Corp	25 1-2	unch
IBM Corp	105	off 2 7-8
Mobil Oil Corp	65 3-4	off 1-4
Nynex Corp	69 5-8	up 3-8

Pac Gas & Elec	20 5-8	off 1-4
Pacific Telesis	41 3-8	up 1-8
Phila Electric	15	off 1-4
Sears Roebuck	27 3-4	off 3-8
Sthwestern Bell	47 3-4	up 1-8
US West Inc	34 1-2	off 3-8

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2582.67	off 43.07
20 Trans	898.11	off 10.54
15 Utils	200.08	off 1.63
65 Stocks	899.89	off 12.52

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#90256u1435 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (SEPT. 13) UPI - A divorced woman Thursday lost her landmark court battle for exclusive custody of ''my babies'' - the seven frozen embryos she hoped to donate to another couple against her ex-husband's wishes.

The Tennessee Court of Appeals struck down Blount County Circuit Judge W. Dale Young's unprecedented ruling that awarded custody of the fertilized eggs to Mary Sue Davis Stowe rather than her ex-husband, Junior Davis.

Young ruled last September that the embryos are ''human beings,'' even if formed in a laboratory dish, and cannot be destroyed as mere tissue.

But the appeals court pointed out that the eggs were fertilized through ''mechanical manipulation'' and that ''at this juncture there is no development of the nervous system, the circulatory system, or the pulmonary system.''

The appeals court sent the case back to Young and ordered him to award the couple joint custody of the embryos they created at an in vitro fertilization center before deciding to divorce last year.

''On the facts of this case, it would be repugnant and offensive to constitutional principles to order Mary Sue to implant these fertilized ova against her will,'' the appeals court ruled.

''It would be equally repugnant to order Junior to bear the psychological, if not the legal, consequences of paternity against his will. Jointly, the parties share an interest in the seven fertilized ova.''

Lawyers for Mary Sue Davis Stowe could not be reached. But Junior Davis's

lawyer, Charles Clifford, said the ruling means the embryos will be held in frozen storage indefinitely unless the couple agree on their use.

''It's precisely what we had asked the trial and appeals courts for,'' Clifford said. ''We hope she accepts this opinion as just. They should have equal say. Neither of them has the right to compel the other to live with the disposition.''

During the custody trial, Stowe, who is childless, called the seven fertilized eggs ''my babies,'' and urged Young to let her have them implanted in her womb.

But in appeals court papers filed in May, Stowe, who since has remarried, told the court she wanted ''to donate the embryos so that another childless couple may use them.'' Stowe, 28, refused to say why she changed her mind.

Junior Davis, 30, who was raised in a broken home, argued during the custody trial that use of the embryos would force him into unwanted fatherhood. He wanted the eggs frozen indefinitely unless he and his ex- wife agreed on their use.

After his ex-wife filed the appeals court papers, Davis objected to use of the eggs by another couple, telling reporters his ex-wife had a serious drinking problem and consumed a six-pack of beer at a sitting even after she entered the in vitro fertilization program at Fort Sanders Medical Center in October 1988.

''The court needs to know it,'' Davis said. ''If they rule against me and allow these to be donated, these things could possibly be defective because of alcoholism. I don't want another couple to have them just as I don't want her to have them.''

Stowe's family denied she had a drinking problem.

The custody trial focused the nation's attention on the moral dilemmas posed by in vitro fertilization. In making his ruling, Young acknowledged there were no laws to guide him. The nation's population of frozen embryos exceeds 4,000 but no state has established rules for their handling or disposition.

Junior Davis's appeal argued that Young overstepped his authority in determining that ''life begins at conception'' and awarding the embryos the protection generally accorded human life.

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#90256u1436 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Thursday	2582.67	off	43.07	898.11	off	10.54	200.08	off	1.63
Wednesday	2625.74	up	13.12	908.65	off	0.93	201.71	up	1.45
Week ago	2596.29	off	31.93	892.20	off	5.54	198.25	off	0.19
Month ago	2681.44	off	66.83	939.78	off	21.90	202.59	off	2.58
Year ago	2664.89	off	14.63	1443.28	off	25.96	213.78	off	0.32
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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#90256u1440 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (SEPT. 13) UPI - Gen. Colin Powell toured U.S. military positions in eastern Saudi Arabia Thursday, and was questioned by American soldiers about how long they might be stationed in the hot and dusty desert as a bulwark against the armies of Saddam Hussein.

The chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff said during a press conference there were now ''well, well over 100,000'' U.S. personnel involved in the operational theater being constructed.

He said there had been ''glitches'' in the massive logistical operation to move further heavy armor into the kingdom, but refused to comment on a Washington Post report that delays had meant full deployment would not be until November.

''There have been certain parts of the deployment that have been slower than we would have expected,'' America's highest ranking serviceman said, explaining that the holdups were mostly maritime. ''But you have to stand back from those glitches and see what we have been able to accomplish in five weeks.''

The four-star general also refused to be drawn by several questions about when the American military may have adequate forces to stage an offensive and end the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait, which began with Baghdad's Aug. 2 invasion.

''The only mission I have been assigned is to deter and defend,'' he said. ''The force is being structured for that purpose.''

The four-star general toured an air base and a hospital before traveling by helicopter to desert positions of the 24th Infantry Division (Mechanized), which has the M1 tanks regarded as vital should the Bush administration and allied Arab forces decide it time to advance against Iraq. He then traveled to a port facility and a final air base, where he met personnel of the Marine Air Wing and was given a briefing.

At most stops, the senior soldier was repeatedly asked by low-ranking personnel when they might be leaving from their new deployments, which began full-scale Aug. 8.

At a hospital lab he shook hands with Sgt. Robert Tate, who, when asked how he was doing, replied, ''I would be better if I was at home.''

''Me too,'' replied Powell.

One staffer called out as the general was leaving the ward, ''Are you going to get us out of here, sir?''

Powell said that he was ''trying to get everybody out of here fast.''

At the 1st Tactical Air Wing, Powell told a group of troopers, ''Don't have any second thoughts about the importance of your mission ... I wish I could tell you when it will be over. Everybody wants that answer. I just don't have it yet.''

The soldiers gave a barely audible, ''Yes, sir,'' when asked if they were getting regular mail and showers. But when Powell asked if they wanted to return to their base in Virginia, they bellowed an affirmative response.

Powell told reporters that the Pentagon was investigating rotating troops through if the stay is long term. Free mail was probable, and authorities were also trying to make available for service personnel telephone calls home and a facsimile service, he said.

Powell also said the chain of command between the U.S. forces and allied Arab ground troops was ''clean and clear and precise.'' Assignment by geographical sector and exchanging liaison officers were ways of making the vastly different militaries more compatible, he said.

He said the Iraqi forces were stationed in Kuwait in a circular formation along the coast and border.

''We have learned with Mr. Saddam Hussein not to simply look at his positions on the ground and think we are seeing the whole truth,'' Powell said. ''It is right now a robust defense, but has the capability to become an offensive operation.''

Powell was scheduled Friday to visit a U.S. naval vessel in the Persian Gulf before leaving the area.

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#90256u1443 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 13) UPI - The Senate Judiciary Committee today opened its confirmation hearing of Supreme Court nominee David Souter with a stern warning for the New Hampshire jurist. The Democrat-dominated panel told Souter that he has to prove he deserves a spot on the nation's highest court at this- quote- ''critical constitutional crossroad.'' .

The hearings were briefly interrupted by members of the AIDS activist group ACT-UP. A man in the audience stood up and shouted- in his words- ''Judge Souter is unacceptable.'' Several other people began shouting and throwing leaflets in the air before security officials removed them from the room.

A Northwest Airlines jet is flying 263 Americans who had been held in Iraq home to the United States. The plane took off this morning from Gatwick Airport near London, where the Americans arrived late yesterday on a flight with other foreign hostages. The Northwest flight is to arrive in Raleigh, North Carolina, this afternoon. .

The top U-S military commander in Saudi Arabia says problems in transporting equipment to the region is causing a delay in the full buildup of American forces. Army General Norman Schwarzkopf says the operation will take two more months because ships carrying heavy combat equipment are breaking down.

Thousands of South Africans fled black townships near Johannesburg when officials cut power in response to a boycott of utility payments. Women and children filled halls of clinics and a major hospital as they fled renewed internecine fighting and the lack of electricity. More than 700 people have died in nearly six weeks of violence involving rival black groups.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	175.16	off	1.93
ASE Market Value Index	322.01	off	1.18
Dow-Jones Industrial	2582.67	off	43.07

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#90256u1462 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	322.01	off	1.18
High Technology	318.12	off	5.12
Capital Goods	346.19	off	0.75
Consumer Goods	387.43	off	1.44
Service	725.31	off	2.28
Retail	1006.99	off	14.59
Financial	372.93	off	0.07
Natural Resources	245.91	off	0.25

Housing-Const-Land 341.60 up 0.09

There was a loss of 4 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS		
New England	414.03	up 0.11
Mid Atlantic	416.49	off 0.37
No Central	435.32	off 4.71
So Atlantic	929.21	off 4.30
So Central	312.76	off 1.73
Mountain	113.61	off 1.45
Pacific	374.66	off 4.18
Foreign	241.43	off 0.32

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#90256u1469 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks	-	123,270,000 shares
1990 to date	-	27,999,653,372
Warrants	-	701,400
1990 to date	-	177,005,000

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#90256u1474 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks	-	9,720,000 shares
1990 to date	-	2,476,140,895
Bonds	-	$3,010,000
1990 to date	-	$506,296,000

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#90256u1480 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - The United States admitted 107,000 refugees in 1989, the most since 1981, with the largest group coming from the Soviet Union the government said Thursday.

Refugees are people who fled their country because of political, religious or nationality persecution and are eligible for U.S. financial assistance. Immigrants, on the other hand, left their country of origin for economic or other reasons and are ineligible for automatic financial aid.

The figures were included in the Refugee Resettlement Program's annual report to Congress. The program, which falls under the Department of Health and Human Services, reimburses states and private sector groups for the cost of providing cash, medical assistance and social services to help the refugees become employed and self-sufficient. Total funding in 1989 was $380 million.

The 107,000 refugees admitted to the United States in 1989 represented the largest wave of admissions since 1981, when 158,000 came to America. It was also an increase of 31,000 over the 1988 level of 76, 800 refugees.

While the 1989 figure was relatively high, it did not reach the refugee ceiling of 116,500 set by the government for 1989.

Of the 107,000, 39,414 came from the Soviet Union, double the 1988 number and the largest yearly total ever recorded for that group. The bulk of the Soviet refugees were Jews, with the remainder primarily Pentecostal Christians and Armenians.

New York was the most popular destination for the Soviet refugees, especially the Jews, while Northwestern states became home for most of the Pentecostals and California for the Armenians.

Others making up the 107,000 refugee pool included 37,066 Southeast Asians, 8,721 Amerasians (children with a Vietnamese mother and American father); 4,826 Iranians; 3,808 Cubans; 3,579 Polish; 3,282 Romanians; 2, 220 Cambodians; 1,745 Afghans and 1,724 Ethiopians.

The nearly 46,000 Southeast Asian and Amerasians represented a 29.2 percent increase from 1988 but just shy of the 50,000 ceiling set for both groups. Not surprisingly, 38.6 percent of the Southeast Asians and Amerasians settled in California, with about a dozen other states receiving much smaller numbers.

Of the total 107,000 refugees, California received the most, with 31, 089; followed by New York, 20,033; Illinois and Florida, each receiving 5,000-6,000; Texas, Washington, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts, each receiving 3,000-5,000; New Jersey, 2,000-3,000, with other states receiving the rest.

''A key to refugee resettlement success is our actions to address the distinctive problems of newly arrived refugees,'' said Jo Anne Barnhart, Health and Human Services Assistant Secretary for Family Support.

''With the success of programs such as vocational training and English language training last year, over 24,000 refugees were placed in unsubsidized employment. These individuals and their families are now repaying this country through with work efforts and their tax dollars,'' she said.

Since 1975, the United States has admitted more than 1.3 million refugees.

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#90256u1481 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday.

Stock		$Volume	Close	Chg.
Conner Perphrls	(CNNR)	79,439,896	20 5/8	off 1 5/8
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	56,891,120	72 5/8	off 3/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	50,117,928	48 1/2	up 1/2
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	37,206,748	57 1/2	up 1/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	30,543,424	47 1/4	off 5/8
Apple Computer	(AAPL)	27,662,886	33 3/4	off 1/4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	27,084,634	32 1/4	off 1/2
TeleCommun A	(TCIC)	23,237,424	10 7/8	unch
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	22,640,712	33	off 7/8
Price Cos	(PCLB)	21,375,274	31 1/4	off 1/2

Composite Index 164.70 off 1.87
NMS volume 80,234,704 shares.

Advances	527
Declines	921
Unchanged	1,368
Total	2,816

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#90256u1486 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Thursday - $31,760,000
1990 to date - $7,909,659,000

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#90256u1489 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (SEPT. 13) UPI - Two gangs armed with guns and machetes rampaged through a train near Johannesburg, killing at least 26 commuters and wounding more than 100 in a bloody surge of black factional violence Thursday, authorities said.

Police expected the death toll to climb as patrols discovered more bodies.

The attack came after thousands of refugees poured out of black townships east of Johannesburg seeking safety from renewed strife which has razed hundreds of houses and shacks.

The train slaughter pushed the death toll in the sixth week of battles to more than 720.

Six men boarded the train at Jeppe station near Johannesburg and began gunning down and hacking commuters, sending people jumping from the carriages for safety and leaving dead and injured strewn on the seats and between the tracks police spokesman Col. Frans Malherbe said.

A second gang jumped on at Benrose station, down the line, and attacked the fleeing and panic-stricken people with machetes, Malherbe added.

He said both gangs fled the scene together.

''They were madmen, they wanted to kill us all and we screamed like animals,'' passenger Gladys Mncini shouted as paramedics dressed a gash in her arm while she lay beside the rails.

Fourteen-year-old David Mokaba, breathless with fear and hugging two younger sisters in a makeshift aid station, panted, ''I kicked open the doors... I was so scared... we all jumped out together.''

Paramedic Joe van Wyk said, ''It's a slaughter house out there, a bloody slaughter house'' and a nurse at the Hillbrow hospital reported the injured ''are coming in wide-eyed and stunned, like automatons.''

Malherbe said 15 people were killed and the hospitals reported 11 other deaths.

Paramedics estimated a calculation by Malherbe of at least 100 injuries was conservative and said scores more people might have been hurt while jumping but had not come in for treatment.

Police sealed off the train and launched a massive hunt for the attackers. Dozens of ambulances were summoned from across the city to ferry the injured from staging points near the train to nearby hospitals in and around Johannesburg.

Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok expressed his ''shock and revulsion'' at the massacre and promised police would do everything in their power to find those responsible.

In eastern townships, women, children and infant refugees from violent clashes crowded into the halls, passages and stairwells of clinics and a major hospital, collapsing with exhaustion.

They refused to return to areas of the stricken townships of Thokoza and Katlehong and the decimated squatter camp of Phola Park after savage fighting surged late Tuesday and authorities cut off their power supplies.

In the nation's largest black township of Soweto, south of Johannesburg, police reported firing teargas and birdshot to separate marauding rival groups but continued to find bodies in isolated spots. Township dwellers, apparently beginning to target police, have shot or stabbed to death at least four lawman this week - two on Thursday.

The African National Congress has accused police of siding with its arch rival

the exclusively Zulu Inkatha, and senior members said township residents were becoming increasingly hostile to security forces as South Africa's worst-ever suburban fighting, which flared Aug. 12, raged almost out of control.

Refugees from Phola Park alleged a white man, whom they thought to be a police officer, was among a marauding Inkatha group late Wednesday. ''We saw him and we killed him,'' one male refugee said, but did not know what had happened to the body.

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#90256u1492 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 323.20, low 321.42, close 322.01, off 1.18.

There was a loss of 4 cents in the average share price.

Volume 9,720,000 shares, compared with 9,260,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	2
New Lows	44
Advances	166
Declines	331
Unchanged	280
Total Issues	777

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#90256u1507 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.65	up 0.16
10 Public Utils	90.63	up 0.10
10 Industrials	88.68	up 0.22

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#90256u1509 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - The Bush Administration brought its appeal for energy conservation to the public Thursday with a new multi-media advertising assault urging consumers to cut down their oil use in response to the Mideast crisis.

The hastily developed radio, print and billboard campaign was unveiled by Energy Secretary James Watkins and Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner at the National Association of Broadcasters convention in Boston.

The campaign, expected to air in several segments over the next year, was produced for the government under the auspices of the non-profit Ad Council and was designed by the New York-based Bozzell adversiting agency.

Included in the package of public service spots were four brief radio ads, all finishing with the tag line, ''President Bush asks that you do your part: Drive smart.''

The ads contain many of the same urgings the federal government made during the 1970s oil crisis. They included driving 5 mph slower than usual, filling tires, using car pools and public transportation, and using the lowest octane fuel possible.

The ads seek to ''change the culture of our society at this time and try to put peer pressure - local peer pressure - on our side'' in the fight to make up for the oil lost in the Iraq and Kuwait embargo, Watkins said.

Federal officials hope the messures, which also include suggestions for home heating oil and industrial conservation, can reap a 530,000 barrel per day savings by December 1991.

''There's no real change in lifestyle necessary - we're just saying do your part,'' Watkins said.

The secretary deflected questions about the public relations message sent by the president's much publicized use of his gas-guzzling cigarette boat during his recent vacation, saying the query had been repeatedly answered by Bush.

Another group criticized the campaign for not going far enough, saying the president should push for real gas-saving measures such as placing fuel efficiency requirements on new cars.

''We think the Bush Administration needs to take concrete action to improve energy efficiency instead of just relying on public relations,'' said Alan Nogee, director of the Massachusetts Energy Program for the Public Interest Research Group.

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#90256u1512 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2623.02	2629.21	2570.54	2582.67	off 43.07
20 Trans	905.70	911.80	891.64	898.11	off 10.54
15 Utils	201.46	202.02	198.69	200.08	off 1.63
65 Stock	910.90	914.17	894.73	899.89	off 12.52

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	13,939,700	14,545,900
Trans	3,247,700	3,945,400
Utils	3,336,900	2,655,300
65 Stock	20,524,300	21,146,600

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.65	up 0.16
10 Public Utils	90.63	up 0.10
10 Industrials	88.68	up 0.22

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 132.15 off 1.10.

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#90256u1517 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 13) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Thursday - 7,606,000

1990 to date - 1,786,805,000

The market closed broadly lower.

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#90256u1528 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	381.96	376.21	376.88	off 5.08
20 Trans	229.24	226.05	226.69	off 2.55
40 Utils	130.83	129.34	129.68	off 0.19
40 Fncl	23.64	23.18	23.25	off 0.39
500 Stocks	322.54	318.02	318.65	off 3.89

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#90256u1533 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

400 Ind 20 Trns 40 Util 40 Fncl 500 Stocks

Previous	381.96	229.94	129.87	23.64	322.54
Opening	380.55	228.57	129.70	23.54	321.43
11 a.m.	379.90	227.72	129.71	23.45	320.89
Noon	380.57	228.10	130.23	23.44	321.49
1 p.m.	380.70	228.37	130.68	23.43	321.71
2 p.m.	379.23	227.56	130.21	23.35	320.49
3 p.m.	377.23	226.86	129.62	23.24	318.85
Close	376.88	226.69	129.68	23.25	318.65
Change	off 5.08	off 2.55	off 0.19	off 0.39	off 3.89

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#90256u1541 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - The dollar plunged against all the major currencies in heavy trading Thursday after Alan Greenspan, the Federal Reserve chairman, remarked on the possibility of lower U.S. short-term interest rates.

Currency dealers market participants, who had pushed the dollar up in recent sessions for mainly technical reasons, also dumped the currency in expectation of further negative U.S. economic data in the morning.

The sell-off snowballed on remarks from a Federal Reserve governor who told a Kansas City gathering that recession risks were high, traders said.

In late New York trading the dollar was quoted at 1.5672 German marks, down nearly 2 1/2 pfennigs from 1.5915 marks Wednesday, and at 136.10 Japanese yen, off nearly 2 yen from 138.05 yen the day before.

That brought the dollar to nearly a 14-month low against the yen, said Ann Mills, a Shearson Lehman Brothers currency analyst.

''It was a pretty wild day,'' said Barry O'Sullivan, a trader with Union Bank of Switzerland. ''The dollar went straight down.''

He said the selling binge was triggered by Greenspan's testimony to the House Banking Committee. The Fed chairman said interest rates could fall if Congress and the White House substantially trimmed the federal deficit.

O'Sullivan said Greenspan's comments caught a number of European players with too many dollars on their hands, prompting wild stop-loss selling. ''Most of the market was caught long'' on dollars, he said.

Trader Radhika Rajan of Manufacturers Hanover said players also were short of German marks and Swiss francs, which had shown weakness in recent days as big investors shifted through the dollar to the Japanese yen.

Added O'Sullivan, ''The yen has been strong all week and basically everything else caught up today.''

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3020 Swiss francs, off from 1.3285; 5.2500 French francs, down from 5.3295; and 1,169.50 Italian lire, off from 1,187.

The British pound shot up to $1.8820 from $1.8585.

In Europe, the dollar rose against most of the major monies in quiet trading influenced mainly by technical factors, dealers said.

London and Zurich dealers said the dollar was helped by cross-trading between the yen and the mark, as well as from a weakened Swiss franc.

George Magnus, a currency economist with Warburg Securities in London, said dealers were looking to a batch of economic indicators set to be released in the United States Friday for direction on the U.S. unit.

''There's not an awful lot of significant trade today, the dollar is thrashing around in narrow ranges,'' Magnus said. He said poor U.S. data would ''certainly cause us to see some more (dollar) wobbles.''

In Frankfurt, the dollar softened to 1.5750 marks vs. 1.5840. But in Zurich, it rose to 1.3195 Swiss francs from 1.3190.

In London, the pound recovered, moving up to $1.8750 vs. $1.8670.

The dollar gained in Paris, Brussels and Milan to close at 5.3315 French francs vs. 5.3065, 32.74 Belgian francs vs. 32.59, and 1,186.45 Italian lire vs. 1,182.90.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar kept falling as institutional investors carried out the second leg of European-to-yen transactions which used the dollar as an intermediary, by selling dollars for more desirable yen.

The dollar closed at 137.65 yen, off 0.65 yen from 138.30 yen Wednesday.

''Investors continued to dump European currencies in favor of the yen,'' said Junpei Ishii, a Mitsu Taiyo Kobe Bank vice president.

Gold closed higher in Zurich at $382.50 an ounce vs. $381.50, and also was up in London at $383.75 an ounce vs. $381.50.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $383.75 an ounce, up from $383 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $382.90 an ounce, ahead from $382.10.

Silver closed lower in Zurich at $4.80 an ounce vs. $4.85, but was unchanged in London at $4.82 an ounce.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.81 an ounce, off from $4.83. Comex silver ended at $4.773 an ounce, down from $4.801.

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#90256u1549 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - Budget talks are ''down to the end point'' with near agreement on defense, domestic spending and benefit program cuts, but deep divisions remain over a Republican call for a capital gains tax cut, sources said Thursday.

Sources familiar with activity at the White House and congressional budget talks, taking place at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington, said that the GOP push for cutting the capital gains tax on profits from the sale of assets remained ''a continuing battlefield'' that has delayed agreement.

''That is a sticking point,'' a source said when asked about capital gains. ''I can't see a lot of progress.''

A democratic source said that Republicans insistent on having a capital gains cut in the final package ''want something that we aren't going to give them'' unless Republicans, in return, agree to raise income tax rates on the wealthy. The GOP has refused to accept any income tax rate hikes.

In many other areas, including what to do about Medicare and other federal benefit programs, called entitlements, differences have been significantly narrowed, sources said.

''We have closed almost to the point of total agreement on entitlements; we have closed almost to the point of total agreement on defense; we have closed almost to the point of total agreement on domestic discretionary (spending levels,'' a source said.

''There's not that much room left to narrow the differences. We only have a few outstanding issues left and those seem to be as wide as ever. We're down to the end point.''

After spending several hours at the talks Thursday, House Speaker Thomas Foley D-Wash., said ''it's going to take a couple more days'' before negotiators reach final agreement.

''They're making progress,'' he said. ''I think it'll be done the end of this week or this weekend.''

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said budget director Richard Darman does not think there will be a budget agreement until Monday or Tuesday.

Negotiators have been trying since talks began May 15 to reach agreement on a

plan to cut the federal budget deficit by $50 billion in fiscal year 1991, which begins Oct. 1, and by about $500 billion over five years.

Failure to cut the deficit significantly by Oct. 1 would trigger $105.7 billion in across-the-board spending cuts, split between defense and domestic programs. Those cuts are required under the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law as a penalty for failing to meet annual deficit reduction targets.

The fiscal 1991 target is $64 billion.

Negotiators, who have been meeting in seclusion at Andrews since last Friday, had moved toward including in their final package new taxes on energy, alcoholic beverages and luxury items, such as expensive cars, boats, jewelry and electronic equipment, the source said.

It was still uncertain, however, whether negotiators would also include an increase in the current 16 cents-a-pack cigarette tax.

The source also said Republicans appeared to be ''backing off'' a proposal first submitted by Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, to make wealthier senior citizens pay higher annual premiums for their Medicare coverage.

If implemented, such a change would, for the first time, turn Medicare into a ''means tested'' program in which costs would vary based on a beneficiary's ability to pay. Currently, all Medicare participants get the same benefits at the same cost, regardless of outside income.

Democrats have questioned how means-tested Medicare proposal would be administered and Republican have had trouble answering those questions, the source said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - The U.S. Agency for International Development announced a $50 million program Thursday to combat measles among children in developing countries.

The program is aimed at reducing the number of deaths from measles by 95 percent by 1995, primarily by increasing the number of children who get vaccinated against the disease from the current level of 60 percent to 90 percent.

The money will be used to improve equipment to ensure the measles vaccine is kept cold enough to be potent, improve health care workers' training and public education about the importance of vaccination.

''People feel measles is not harmful, but it kills by devastating a child's

immune system, opening the way for a host of other illnesses and infections,'' said agency director Dr. Ronald Roskens. ''It is especially deadly to children in developing countries.''

Measles is caused by a virus. It usually causes a rash, fever and cold-like symptoms. Patients normally recover after about a week. But the disease can lead to more serious, potentially deadly complications, such as pneumonia and brain infections.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	376.18	off	4.14	378.78	468.78
Industrial	402.14	off	4.31	404.48	454.81
Finance	375.41	off	3.92	380.80	558.25
Insurance	440.13	off	2.33	444.15	531.24
Utility	504.30	off	9.01	507.87	739.93
Bank	275.89	off	4.68	282.40	486.38
Transport	415.46	off	1.92	408.03	462.66

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 164.69 off 1.88

Industrial Index 158.78 off 1.77

NASDAQ-100 Index 379.44 off 5.27

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#90256u1573 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Tandem Computer	1,898,100	11 5/8	unch	
Canadian Pac	1,635,400	15 3/4	up	1/8
AT&T Company	1,581,600	30 1/8	off	1/2
Digital Eqpt	1,341,700	59 1/4	off	2 3/8
Exxon Corp	1,232,600	50 3/4	off	5/8
Coroon & Black	1,171,900	36 1/4	off	1 1/4
Philip Morris	1,127,200	44 7/8	off	1/2
Wal-Mart Strs	1,121,400	26 1/2	unch	
Waste Mangment	1,101,900	34 7/8	off	5/8

IBM Corp	1,078,000	105	off	2 7/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,060,300	29 7/8	up	1/2
Hilton Hotel	1,043,800	29 1/4	off	2 1/4
San Fe So Pac	983,000	15 1/8	up	1/4
PepsiCo Inc	934,300	25	off	1/2
Genl Electric	906,600	60 3/8	off	1 5/8

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	26.45-26.50	25.85-25.90
North Sea Brent	31.00-31.10	30.92-30.97
West Texas Intermed	31.05-31.10	30.95-31.00
Light Louisiana Sweet	33.00-33.10	32.60-32.70
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	101.10-101.60	102.85-103.35
No. 2 Heating oil	81.15-81.65	80.85-81.10
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	94.35-94.60	94.60-95.10
No. 2 Heating oil	80.65-80.85	79.70-79.80

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
ENSCO	430,200	3 1/2	off	1/8
Contl Air	363,800	5	off	1/8
Wang Labs B	343,400	3 3/8	off	1/4
Diasonics Inc	326,800	2 1/4	off	1/8
Salomon Phibro	315,700	3 7/8	up	1/4
Salomon wt Jan	314,300	16 5/8	up	3/4
Salomon wt Feb	277,300	17 5/8	up	3/4
Fruit of Loom	266,600	10 1/2	unch	
Paine W Gr wtB	253,800	8 1/8	up	1/2
Denmark K wt	218,600	17 5/8	up	5/8

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#90256u1589 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	11	10	14
New lows	92	90	81

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	420	23,240,100
Declines	1,007	84,780,300
Unchanged	513	15,249,600
Total	1,940	123,270,000

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	246.25	246.30	243.00	243.65	246.25
Dec	248.50	248.60	245.30	245.80	248.65
Mar	....	....	....	248.80	251.75
Jun	....	....	....	251.80	254.75

Previous day volume: 257 contracts.
Open interest: 1,339 off 1

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	322.50	322.80	317.70	318.55	322.15
Dec	326.00	326.40	321.15	321.90	325.70
Mar	328.55	329.00	324.50	324.80	328.60
Jun	....	333.00	328.50	328.60	332.40

Today's estimated volume: 78,161 contracts.
Open interest: 157,360 off 1,817

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	177.00	177.35	174.60	175.10	176.95
Dec	178.70	178.90	176.00	176.55	178.55
Mar	180.50	180.50	177.75	178.10	180.15

Open interest: 6,515 up 315

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	535.30	535.50	527.30	527.70	535.20

Oct 537.20 537.50 529.80 529.90 537.65
Estimated volume 2,916 contracts.
Open interest: 7,804 off 141

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#90256u1597 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 13) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 2
New lows 44

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	166	3,140,200
Declines	331	4,170,700
Unchanged	280	2,409,100
Total	777	9,720,000

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#90256u1604 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 13) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6200	off	100
Atl Rch pfA	934	up	23 3/4
CapCiti/ABC	472	off	13
Atl Rch pfC	336	up	7 3/8
Coastal pfB	135	up	5
Nucor Corp	61 3/4	off	4 3/8
TRW pfD	139	off	4
Lilly Eli wt	72 1/2	off	3 1/2
CBS Inc	169 5/8	off	3 1/4
IBM Corp	105	off	2 7/8
McDon-Douglas	53 3/4	up	2 7/8

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#90256u1607 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (SEPT. 13) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney acknowledged problems with aging transport ships Thursday, but said the overall deployment of U.S. forces to combat the Iraqi threat to Saudi Arabia has been smooth.

''Some (Navy ships) have not been maintained as well as we would have liked,'' Cheney said. ''But to suggest there has been a fundamental breakdown does not fit reality at all.''

Cheney was commenting on an article in Thursday's Washington Post, in which Army Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, chief of the U.S. Central Command, said the buildup of U.S. forces has been slowed about a week by breakdowns of ships carrying heavy combat equipment.

The article said that because of sealift delay and other logistical problems, the full buildup will come about one month after the mid- October target reported by several congressmen who were briefed earlier this month with top U.S. commanders in Saudi Arabia.

But Cheney said at a news conference that the tone of the story did not accurately reflect the interview with Schwarzkopf.

''Certainly there are problems,'' he said, but delays have been ''relatively minor.''

Cheney acknowledged that some of the 41 mothballed Ready Reserve Force ships called on for Persian Gulf duty ''had not been maintained as well as we liked.'' He also said some are steam-powered, and that many of today's naval crews are not experienced at operating steam vessels.

''I'm sure there is a lesson to learn from this exercise,'' Cheney said. ''But I think in balance it has been a tremendous performance.''

Speaking later to a luncheon meeting of the Comstock Club and Air Force Association, Cheney said some 5 billion tons of cargo has been sent or is en route to the Persian Gulf and the Middle East.

In Washington, Pentagon spokesman Bob Hall said there are 75 sealift ships currently en route to the Middle East and that only two have experienced breakdowns. ''It's going very well; it's not perfect,'' he said.

Cheney talked to reporters during a three-day California trip that includes meetings with civic groups and with the media in Sacramento, San Francisco and Palm Desert.

Cheney also blasted a House vote that would force him to abandon efforts to shut down 35 domestic military installations that he announced in January he was considering closing.

The House voted 287-134 Wednesday to require him to come up with a new, bipartisan method to select the military bases that should be closed to accommodate defense budget cuts desired by Congress and the administration.

Cheney said that Congress in effect told him, ''Yes, Mr. Secretary, cut the defense budget ... and oh, by the way, don't close the base in my district.

''That's garbage,'' he said.

Cheney said overhead costs will be the first to go in his budget cutting so that he can ''first and foremost protect military capability.''

''We want to be as fair and equitable as we can,'' he said. ''But the bottom line is I've been told to cut the defense budget.''

In response to a question following his luncheon speech, Cheney said he will announce within the next couple of weeks ''well over 100'' foreign military facilities with U.S. forces that he plans to close over the next couple of years.

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#90256u1608 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	105,651,100
Advances	672
Declines	1,105
Unchanged	2,480
Total	4,257

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#90256u1611 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	176.73	175.16	175.16	off 1.93
Industrial	221.46	219.43	219.43	off 2.73
Transport	140.01	138.77	138.77	off 1.19
Utility	83.55	82.90	82.90	off 0.32
Finance	123.09	121.94	121.94	off 1.49

Equivalent to a loss of 34 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 123,370,000 shares.

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#90256u1631 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

RALEIGH, N.C. (SEPT. 13) UPI - A ragtag band of weary women and children held hostage by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for more than a month arrived

Thursday in the United States, met by anxious relatives, teddy bears and tears.

The passengers included 147 children under age 12, including 37 infants; one person in a wheelchair, five cats and one woman who was 8 1/2 months pregnant and accompanied by her four children.

Altogether, there were 263 Americans and 47 Canadians aboard the Northwest Airlines flight that left London at 9:10 a.m. EDT and reached American soil at 4:54 p.m. Nearly all were women and children.

Marlene Boland, of suburban Cincinnati, Ohio, burst into tears when the plane touched down.

On board were the three sons - ages 9, 5 and 3 - she had left in Kuwait with her husband in June when she and their 11-year-old daughter returned to the United States.

''I've waited so long,'' she sobbed. ''I haven't seen them in three months. I love them and thank God.''

A repatriation center with medical, financial and traveling assistance was set up to receive the weary former hostages, each of whom was to receive a yellow carnation. The Red Cross had teddy bears for the children.

The plane had left Baghdad Wednesday, dropping off British citizens in London, where several British women told the British Broadcasting Corp. of the increasingly desperate situation in Kuwait with looting, food shortages and Iraqi violence against Kuwaitis.

''They're crazy, they're going mad, they're killing Kuwaitis,'' one British woman said of the Iraqi troops.

''They're taking them out of their homes. They're doing terrible things to them ... everybody talks about the shortage of food. They're making people really suffer. They're torturing them,'' she said.

''The resistance - these are young boys and men trying to defend their country and it's a terrible situation.''

Elizabeth Waters said she was forced by the Iraqis to leave her 19- year-old son in Baghdad after Iraqi soldiers ordered him to stay because of his age.

''I fought for a long time, saying he's a student. They say, 'No, he's 18, he's a man, he will stay,''' Waters said.

The BBC said about 750 Britons have been evacuated so far from Iraq and Kuwait with approximately 1,000 still there.

The United States has arranged another charter for Friday, which will bring to five the number of American evacuation flights since Sept. 7.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman in London said the flight would follow the same procedures as Wednesday's flight, heading from Kuwait via Baghdad to London, and would be open to Britons and probably other foreign nationals, too.

About 1,400 Americans remain trapped in Kuwait, according to updated U.S. figures. There was no breakdown of how many are women, children, men born in the United States or men born in Arab countries.

Another 200 Americans, including diplomats, are in Iraq - double the previous estimate, officials said. The increase from earlier figures was apparently due to the fact that some Americans, afraid to contact the U.S. Embassy earlier, were now doing so as the situation grows more desperate.

The State Department believes ''about 80'' Americans have been detained by the Iraqi authorities in Iraq, and Americans in Kuwait have reported increased harassment from Iraqi authorities.

About 600 Americans were evacuated from Iraq and Kuwait prior to Wednesday.

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#90256u1645 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - A temporarily banned book about the Mossad, Israel's chief spy agency, says up to 27 Israeli intelligence agents operate in the United States chiefly to gather data about the Arab world but that U.S. companies and citizens have been targeted for information.

The agents recruit, organize and carry out covert activities, mainly in New York and Washington, as part of a top secret unit of the Mossad known as Al, the Hebrew word for ''above'' or ''on top,'' said the book, ''By Way of Deception: The Making and Unmaking of a Mossad Officer.''

Further, the book said the Mossad believes that the official U.S. version of President John F. Kennedy's assassination Nov. 22, 1963, ''was pure, unadulterated hokum.''

The 361-page book by Victor Ostrovsky, who was born in Canada, has dual Canadian-Israeli citizenship and was a Mossad operative from 1984- 1986, and Claire Hoy, a Canadian journalist, discloses a host of secrets and some chilling details of the spy agency's worldwide activities.

Ostrovsky's father, Syd Osten, lives in Omaha, Neb. Ostrovsky, who wrote that he quit the Mossad after it used him as a scapegoat in the failure to capture Arab terrorist leaders, is said to be hiding in Canada.

In a foreward, Ostrovsky wrote that he was ''laying my life on the line'' in publishing the account.

The book, whose distribution temporarily was blocked in New York state and Canada at the request of Israel's government, threatened to confront Israel with its biggest embarrassment since nuclear engineer Mordechai Vanunu revealed in 1986 that Israel has stockpiled weapons- grade plutonium at its nuclear plant in Dimona. Vanunu was caught by Mossad agents in Rome and has been jailed in Israel.

But galleys of the book were made available for review by its publisher, St. Martin's Press of New York City.

The spokeswoman for the Israeli Embassy in Washington, Ruth Yaron, declined to comment about the book, citing the court action.

But she said Israel asked for the court injunction because Ostrovsky violated his contract with the Mossad by not first clearing the book for publication and because her government ''feels that there are details that could harm the security of Israel and Israelis.''

If the first person accounts of Mossad operations, training procedures and organization are true - it was virtually impossible to verify them immediately - the book provides the most complete portrait ever presented publicly of Israel's most significant intelligence agency.

''Mossad'' is an acronym for The Institute for Intelligence and Special Operations. The agency's operatives, who the book says number no more than 1,200, including secretaries, refer to it simply as ''the office.''

The Al unit that operates in the United States with 24 to 27 employes ''is so secretive, and so separate from the main organization, that the majority of Mossad employees don't even know what it does and do not have access to its files on the computer. But it exists,'' the book said.

''Their primary task,'' it said of the operatives, ''is to gather information on the Arab world and the PLO, as opposed to gathering intelligence about U.S. activities. But as we shall see, the dividing line is often blurred, and when in doubt, Al doesn't hesitate to cross over it.''

One example was the theft of research material from some major U.S. defense contractors to help Israel get a five-year $25.8 million contract in 1986 to supply the Navy and Marines with unmanned reconnaissance drones known as the Mazlat Pioneer I, the book said.

As for the Kennedy assassination, the book said the Mossad's ''theory was that the killers - Mafiosa hit men, not Lee Harvey Oswald - actually wanted to murder Texas Gov. John Connally. Oswald was seen as a dupe in the whole thing

and Connally as the target of mobsters trying to muscle their way into the oil business.''

Connally was in Kennedy's car in the Dallas motorcade and was wounded.

The Warren Commission, the official body that investigated the assassination, said that Oswald acted alone in killing Kennedy and there had been no conspiracy.

Ostrovsky did not support the contention that organized crime may have been behind Kennedy's killing.

But he wrote that the Mossad carried out a simulated exercise using better, more powerful weapons than Oswald's 6.5mm rifle and telescopic sight and couldn't hit a moving target from the 88-yard distance Oswald was from the motorcade.

''A single bullet is supposed to have gone through the back of Kennedy's head, out his chest and into Connally,'' the book said. ''If you look at the film (of the assassination), you'll see those points were not aligned. If ever a bullet could do a Waltzing Matilda, that was it.''

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.93	8.03	8.90
91-day Treasury bills	7.59	7.62	7.56
182-day Treasury bills	7.64	7.69	7.55
1-year Treasury bills	7.68	7.75	7.46
3-year Treasury notes	8.17	8.19	8.04
7-year Treasury notes	8.70	8.70	8.10
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.96	8.95	8.11
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.30	9.30	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.97	9.97	9.12
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.18	9.18	9.06
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.44	9.46	9.08
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.47	9.47	9.29
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.45	9.45	9.27

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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MEXICO CITY (SEPT. 13) UPI - A proposed meeting of five Latin American and Caribbean oil producers, to have been held this weekend in Trinidad and Tobago was canceled Thursday, a Mexican Energy Ministry official said.

The official said the decision to call off the meeting, intended to discuuss the international oil situation following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, was made when several ministers said they could not attend.

The proposal was for an informal meeting with no agenda, attended by representatives from Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, Venezuela and Trinidad and Tobago.

Latin America, which produces about 6.4 million barrels of oil a day, has proven reserves of about 115 billion barrels, with Mexico and Venezuela controlling 90 percent of the total.

Venezuela and Ecuador are the only Latin American members of the 13- nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

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#90256u1691 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

DAMASCUS, Syria (SEPT. 13) UPI - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker arrived in Syria Thursday night for talks with President Hafez Assad in an apparent indication that relations between the two countries have thawed as the gulf crisis has heated up.

Damascus and Washington, long at odds with each other over Middle East policy, have found themselves in the same trench in the tense crisis touched off by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of its oil-rich neighbor Kuwait.

Baker, greeted at the airport by Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al- Sharaa', was scheduled to hold intensive talks with Assad Friday on their common response to the Iraqi invasion.

His visit coincides with an announcement by Assad that Syria was prepared to dispatch more troops to serve in a U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the gulf region to deter Iraqi aggression.

Syria, Iraq's main rival in the Arab world because the two countries are governed by rival wings of the Baath socialist party, has already sent 3,000 troops to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emriates.

Assad has also joined the United States in condemning the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and demanding the immediate withdrawal of troops from the occupied emirate.

Such cooperation with U.S. policy has made Washington take a fresh look at Syria, long on its list of countries that support terrorism. The State Department's most recent report on human rights describes Syria as a country ''ruled by an authoritarian regime which does not hesitate to use force when it is threatened.''

Nevertheless, the Bush administration announced Baker would travel to Damascus in the first trip to Syria by a secretary of state since George Shultz visited in the early 1980s.

The visit to Damascus could open a new chapter in relations between Syria and the United States, which had reached an ebb prior to the Iraqi invasion.

''The visit could be a signal the United States is ready to cooperate with Syria to solve the Middle East crisis,'' one Western diplomat in Cairo said.

''It is obvious now that Syria would be qualified to play a role in Middle East affairs in the future,'' he said. ''This role would be decided according to Damascus response to the U.S. policy in the Middle East.''

Baker held talks earlier Thursday with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze in Moscow. He held a round of talks with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev during a three-day visit to the Soviet Union and participated in the signing of a historic treaty on German unification.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - The Hubble Space Telescope's flaw apparently was caused in part by a measuring rod being used upside down while assembling a critical device used to test the observatory's mirrors, officials announced Thursday.

A NASA investigative team led by Lew Allen of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., traced the foul-up to a blunder with a ''metering rod'' used to carefully align a device known as a ''null corrector.''

The $1.5 billion telescope had been expected to revolutionize astronomy by studying the deep corners of the universe in greater detail than ever before from high above Earth's atmosphere.

But about a month after the long-awaited instrument was placed into space in April, NASA discovered the telescope's supposedly perfect 94- inch main mirror

was slightly misshapen, preventing the telescope from sharply focusing.

The investigative team previously announced they had found the original ''null corrector'' in the Hughes Danbury Optical Systems Inc. in Danbury, Conn., where the mirror was built 10 years ago when the company was called Perkin-Elmer Corp.

The ''null corrector,'' a sophisticated optical device used to measure the shape of the mirror to make certain it met extremely precise specifications, was off by 1.3 millimeters - enough to have caused the problem.

On Thursday, after the latest in a series of meetings at the plant, the panel announced the null corrector had been reset just before the mirror's construction began using devices known as ''metering bars'' or ''metering rods.''

''The metering bars were used by reflecting a focused beam of light off their ends. To ensure that the beam of light was reflected off the very center of the bar's end, a field stop, or end cap, was used with a 'pin-hole' in its center to hold the light beam centered,'' Allen said in a statement.

''It appears now that there was a reflective region around the pinhole and that the light beam was reflected off that surface rather than the end of the metering bar,'' he said.

In addition, the chances ''this type of problem'' caused the error ''was increased by the fact that the two ends of the metering bars are slightly different and there is strong evidence that the bar was used in an inverted position,'' he said.

In trying to explain how such an error could have escaped detection until the telescope was placed into orbit 380 miles above Earth, Allen noted that the ''assembly of the null corrector involved many precise and subtle steps.''

When the panel issues its final report, probably by November, it will ''address the question'' of ''various indications'' during the mirror's construction ''which could have revealed the problem but weren't recognized at properly at the time,'' he said.

Discovery of the telescope's defect triggered a storm of criticism of NASA and came amid a series of setbacks for the space agency, including the grounding of the space shuttle fleet due to fuel leaks.

NASA officials have said the telescope can be fixed when a camera is replaced by a space shuttle mission in 1993, and stressed the telescope could still conduct valuable research in the meantime.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 13) UPI - The Philadelphia 76ers have signed a 30-year lease to play their games in a new arena to be constructed in either Philadelphia or New Jersey.

The agreement between the 76ers and the operators of the Spectrum, which was signed Wednesday, clears the way for a decision to be made on the site of the new facility and ends chances that Sixers owner Harold Katz could take his team to a new arena by himself.

Spectacor, the corporation that owns the Philadelphia Flyers, must now decide whether to build a new arena on the present site of JFK Stadium in south Philadelphia or along the waterfront in Camden, N.J.

Both the 76ers and Flyers now play at the Spectrum, a 23-year-old facility managed by Spectacor that is located next to JFK Stadium, but Katz last year said he wanted to build a new arena because of his costly lease.

Katz and the Flyers soon joined forces and agreed to move jointly to a new arena and the city of Philadelphia and the state of New Jersey have made financial offers to the teams.

The city, with help from the state, has agreed to pay the costs of tearing down JFK Stadium but Spectacor would be required to pay most of the costs for constructing a new facility.

New Jersey, meanwhile, has proposed covering the construction costs through a bond issue that would be repaid through taxes collected from the new arena and its offer is believed to be more financially attractive.

Katz first announced in June that he had agreed on a new lease but the signing was delayed by haggling over contract language. The new agreement would provide the 76ers with revenues from advertising, parking, concessions and luxury suites.

The Spectrum has also modified its current lease with the 76ers, which will continue in effect until a new building opens, when the new 30-year agreement would begin.

Spectacor officials have been reluctant to say how soon they will pick a site for the new arena. They had predicted a decision would be made by early September but that deadline, like many others throughout the tedious process, was missed.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - The United Arab Emirates, whose oil policies may have spurred Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, expects its economy to grow 11 percent this year as a result of the Persian Gulf crisis, it was reported Thursday.

The Opecna news agency of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries reported the UAE's planning ministry has projected the nation's gross domestic product as growing from $27.7 billion in 1989 to $30.8 billion this year.

The agency quoted UAE financial officials as saying the rise was due mainly to the increase in crude oil prices to nearly $32 a barrel since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion and the resulting U.N. embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports.

Abdul Malik al-Hamar, governor of the UAE's central bank, last week said oil revenues of the tiny Gulf emirate would rise from $10 billion last year to $13 billion in 1990.

Since the invasion, the UAE has raised production to help offset the oil lost because of the U.N. embargo.

Prior to the invasion Iraqi President Saddam Hussein charged both the UAE and Kuwait had damaged his nation's economy by producing too much crude oil and holding world prices low.

All three nations belong to the OPEC cartel, which attempts to support prices by limiting its members' output. The cartel pumps more than a third of the world's crude.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 447.55, off 0.96 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90256u1810 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Stocks closed sharply lower Thursday in very dull trading as program selling extended losses tied to fears about an escalation of conflict in the Mideast and anxiety about the economic data due out Friday.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 13.12 Wednesday, tumbled 43.07 to close at 2582.67, the lowest close since it bottomed out in late August at about the 2500 level.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 1.93 to 175.16. The price of an average share lost 34 cents. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 3.89 to 318.65.

Declines led advances 1,006-421 among the 1,939 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to about 123,370,000 shares, down slightly from the 129,890,000 traded Wednesday.

Analysts blamed the decline on computerized program selling, used to profit on price differences between stocks and stock-index futures. But they said the programs were sparked by fears of hostilities in the Mideast and nervousness about what the economic data due out Friday may show.

''That old wild card, the Middle East, hit us again,'' said Dale Tills, manager of institutional equity trading at Charles Schwab & Co.

Tills cited a report that Iraq had issued a warning to U.S. officials about possible terrorist attacks against American interests as fanning fears about the possible outbreak of hostilities in the region.

''It brings the fear of war back into everybody's minds and then we sold off after crude oil ran up,'' he said. October crude oil futures closed up 10 cents to $31.07 a barrel.

Worries about Friday's economic reports, especially the report on August producer prices, also pressured stocks, analysts said.

The nervousness was heightened by the fact that the producer price report will be the first inflation data to reflect the surge in oil prices since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2. Analysts are looking for a 1.4 percent rise.

Hopes that a plan to cut the federal budget deficit might be near buoyed the market earlier this week. But negotiators still have not reached an agreement and talks are expected to continue through Friday, which weighed on the market as well, analysts said.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Thursday the Bush administration was ''still optimistic'' that an agreement could be reached in the next few days. Reports quoted an administration official, however, as saying the negotiators had not yet begun to wrestle with key issues, such as which taxes should be raised.

On the trading floor, Tandem Computers was the most active issue, unchanged at 11 5/8.

Canadian Pacific followed, up 1/8 to 15 3/4. AT&T was third, down 1/2 to 30 1/8.

Digital Equipment was also active, down 2 3/8 to 59 1/4. Analysts have reportedly been lowering earnings estimates on the company this week.

In the banking sector, Chase Manhattan fell 3/8 to 16 3/4 after falling Wednesday because of a poorly received note auction. Other banks were also lower. BankAmerica fell 5/8 to 21 3/4, Chemical Banking lost 1/2 to 20 7/8 and J.P. Morgan fell 1/2 to 32 1/8.

Among the other blue chips, IBM slumped 2 7/8 to 105, General Electric sank 1 5/8 to 60 3/8, Coca-Cola lost 1 1/8 to 41 1/4, Eastman Kodak fell 1 1/8 to 40 3/8 and Merck dropped 1 1/8 to 80.

Elsewhere, Hilton Hotels sank 2 1/4 to 29 1/4 after saying it expects a decline in third-quarter net income.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 148,040,300 shares, compared with 157,487,620 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index lost 1.18 to 322.01. Declines led advances 331-168 among the 779 issues traded. The price of an average share fell 4 cents. Composite volume totaled 11,700,900 shares vs. 10, 820,200 traded Wednesday.

Energy Service led the Amex issues, off 1/8 to 3 1/2.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 4.14 to 376.18.

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MEXICO CITY (SEPT. 13) UPI - Mexico will invest $1.4 billion in its petrochemical industry and could inject $300 million more if plans to export an oxygenating compound for gasoline go ahead, the state-owned Pemex oil company announced Thursday.

Francisco Rojas, director of Petroleos Mexicanos, made the announcement in Coatzacoalcos at the inauguration of the Morelos industrial park, located adjacent to a petrochemical plant.

Pemex will spend $25 million to modernize the Cangrejera and Pajaritos plants and invest $170 million in the unfinished plant on the Morelos estate, where Pemex will produce acetaldehyde, propylene, polypropylene and acrylonitrile, Rojas said.

He said the country will also invest $1.2 billion in new petrochemical plants.

Rojas said Pemex is studying the feasibility of investing a further $300 million in plants to produce an oxygenating compound recently introduced into Mexico's leaded gasoline to improve combustion and reduce air pollution. The investment would be aimed at exporting the compound.

A fourth series of projects involves the possible production of bases for biodegradable detergents. The investment being considered on this was estimated at $35 million, with an additional $65 million to be sought from private investors.

Rojas said the new investments were aimed at satisfying national demand for primary and secondary petrochemical products.

In a report published in March, Pemex said production of basic petrochemicals jumped to 16.882 million metric tons in 1989, up 9.2 percent from 1988 levels.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (SEPT. 13) UPI - Energizer Bunny - that tireless, drum-beating rabbit marching through spoofs of television commercials - soon will appear on the silver screen on behalf of Eveready Battery Co.

The character's appearance in a 60-second movie trailer beginning Sept. 21 is an extension of Eveready's Energizer award-winning campaign that is built around a pink stuffed rabbit wearing thongs and sunglasses.

The company plans to add print advertising and in-store promotions featuring the Eveready Bunny as it attempts to appeal to consumers' hearts, said Michael Rivard, marketing category manager of advertising and promotions at Eveready, a division of Ralston Purina Co. in St. Louis.

''He's doing that in a number of ways - in TV, now he's going to be breaking onto the big screen, and is going to shortly be seen in our packaging and in every facet of our marketing communication mix,'' Rivard said.

The company will introduce three television commercials on network television beginning Monday.

The bunny character will show up in a parody of a movie preview, interrupting a seemingly romantic interlude between a ballet dancer and her lover in ''Dance with Your Feet.''

The trailer will be shown in 52 markets nationwide through Oct. 18. A condensed version will air on television.

The new parody commercials will show the rabbit interrupting ads for a

long-distance telephone company, ''Chug-A-Cherry'' soda, and ''Airdale'' air freshener.

In the ''Chug-A-Cherry'' spot, the rabbit marches onto the ceiling, along with a man dancing upside down on the ceiling to tout a soft drink. In ''Airdale,'' the rabbit wears a gas mask.

''The personality and tone is very upbeat, very likable, very positive,'' Rivard said.

Consumer reaction to the campaign has been positive, Rivard said, citing research that shows ''unaided brand awareness'' increased 33 percent and long-lasting recall 49 percent.

Barbara Lippert, ad critic for Adweek, said Eveready is not overdoing the parody concept with its new TV commercials and the movie trailer.

''I think people always laugh when they see these parodies of commercials, and they're still surprised. They're not primed to think it's the bunny,'' she said Thursday. ''The reason these are so wonderful is they're not offensive or annoying. They're funny and they say, 'We know you're smarter than most commercials.' ''

Lippert, who noted that Duracell, a rival battery brand, used a campaign for years showing toys that did not stop because they were powered by Duracell batteries, said one of the most important things for an advertiser is to maintain a constant image.

Rivard said reports are incorrect that the Energizer campaign is benefiting Duracell, which also has ads featuring a rabbit.

''If we look at the most recent numbers, the EB campaign is being identified by consumers as Energizer by over 60 percent of consumers,'' he said. ''About 30 percent were identifying it as a Duracell campaign.''

Initially, Eveready's campaign was a comparison of the two products, he said.

''Now, at this point, because we've been able to tell people that nothing lasts longer than the Energizer, we're no longer interested with the competitor's campaign,'' Rivard said.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - The Senate Judiciary Committee today opened its confirmation hearing for Supreme Court nominee David Souter by telling the New Hampshire jurist he must prove that he deserves a spot on the bench. The committee said it would NOT ask Souter how he would vote in specific cases.

The Florida Supreme Court today issued a ruling that unanimously upholds a terminally ill person's right to die. The court says the state constitution's gurantee of privacy gives the patient or their family the right to refuse life support.

The White House and State Department have mixed reactions to Iraq's invitation for President Bush to make a videotaped speech to its people. Officials say they are glad the Iraqis agreed to broadcast the tape but are annoyed by the Iraqis' rigid procedures for getting the tape to Iraq. .

An army colonel who was a hostage in Iran 10 years ago says President Bush should NOT let concern for Americans now held by Iraq keep him from taking military action, if needed. Colonel Charles Scott of Hershey, Pennsylvania, says his experience strengthened him.

An industry group warns peanut butter will cost more this winter because the hot, dry summer left the Southeast with the worst peanut crop in a decade. The Peanut Advisory Board says peanut butter prices will rise at least 10 percent.

Little progress is being reported as tomorrow's deadline nears for negotiations between the New York Post and its employees' unions. The Post wants wage and benefits cuts of up to 46 percent from its unionized employees.

As the jackpot for this weekend's Florida Lotto climbs past the 100-Million-dollar mark, psychologists are warning about ''lottery fantasy syndrome.'' They say some people are so sure they'll win they fall into a deep depression when it doesn't occur.

An unemployed youth tried to hijack a Indian Airlines Boeing 737, ordering the pilot to Sri Lanka. Officials say the pilot convinced the youth he was flying to Colombo, but landed the jetliner in southern India.

Sri Lankan forces crossed a narrow waterway in rubber boats today, fighting through rebel lines to relieve 200 troops who were trapped in a Dutch fort on the northern Jaffna peninsula. At least 12 soldiers died in the fighting.

Serbian police in helicopters and armoured vehicles traded gunfire with ethnic Albanians for several hours today. At least two people died in the worst violence in three months in Yugoslavia's troubled Kosovo province.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock				

Falcon Products Inc	..	10PC	10-18	9-25
Increased				
Baldwin Tech cl-A	Q	.03	10-12	9-28
Baldwin Tech cl-B	Q	.0285	10-12	9-28
Pittway Corp cl-A	Q	.27 1/2	10-2	9-24
Usual				
Betz Laboratories	..	.27	11-8	10-25
Charming Shoppes Inc	Q	.03	10-15	9-24
Dow Chemical Co	Q	.65	10-30	9-28
Fkln Multi-Income Tr	M	.0895	10-15	9-28
Fkln Principal MT	M	.0725	10-15	9-28
Fkln Universal Trust	M	.093	10-31	10-15
Graphic Industries	Q	.01 3/4	10-5	9-21
Hubbell Inc cl-A&B	Q	.37	10-11	9-24
Idaho Power Co	Q	.46 1/2	11-20	10-25
Imo Industries Inc	Q	.12 1/2	10-15	9-25
Justin Industries Inc	Q	.10	10-5	9-26
MacNeal-Schwendler	Q	.10	12-5	11-24
NAC Re Corp	Q	.05	10-11	9-27
PaineWebber Indep LMF	..	.25	10-1	9-28
Pittway Corp	Q	.15	10-2	9-24
Santa Fe Energy Rscs	..	.04	10-15	9-28
Selecterm Inc	..	.07 1/2	10-1	9-20
Trinity Industries	Q	.20	10-31	10-15
United Stationers Inc	Q	.10	10-15	9-28
Washington Post Co	Q	1.00	11-9	10-12
Zenith Natl Insurance	Q	.22	11-15	10-31

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Prosecutors Thursday submitted a sentencing report for former junk bond king Michael Milken, who is scheduled to be sentenced next month for admitted securities law violations.

Contents of the report, filed with U.S. District Court Judge Kimba Wood, were not released publicly.

Prosecutors have requested the report be kept sealed until names of unindicted co-conspirators could be deleted.

Milken's attorneys are seeking to have the report sealed until his sentencing, set for Oct. 1, to avoid prejudicing the case.

Representatives of the news media objected to keeping the report sealed, and the judge gave them until Monday to file their objections with the court.

Milken tearfully pleaded guilty in April to six felony counts and agreed to pay $600 million in penalties.

As part of his plea bargain, he agreed to allow prosecutors to release the memorandum at the time of the sentencing.

Milken was indicted last year on 98 counts of securities law violations and racketeering. He reached the plea agreement with prosecutors to avoid a new and broader indictment.

In pleading guilty to charges of conspiracy and securities and mail fraud, Milken admitted manipulating stock prices and illegally eluding regulatory requirements.

The former head of the high-risk, high-yield bond department at Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., Milken pioneered the use of so-called junk bonds in fueling corporate takeovers in the 1980s. From 1984 to 1987, he earned $1.1 billion in compensation.

He faces a possible prison sentence of 28 years if the maximum terms were to be served consecutively. However, prosecutors have agreed not to ask that they be served consecutively.

Milken was implicated by former Wall Street financier Ivan Boesky, who pleaded guilty to one felony and agreed to pay the government $100 million. Boesky was sentenced to three years in prison and agreed to become an informant for the government.

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#90256u1962 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (SEPT. 13) UPI - Economic factors are leading to cuts in the size of Central America's armies, but the idea of a completely demilitarized region is a long way off, analysts and diplomats say.

Large reductions in weapons and troop strength by the year 2000 have been forecast, and the U.S. presence in Central America and Panama is also expected to be reduced to next to nothing.

''It is impossible to achieve the social and economic development that our countries need, and at the same time maintain current military levels,'' Nicaraguan Foreign Minister Enrique Dreyfus said.

He said the future of Central American security lies in economic rather than military strength.

Some, like Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro, have said they want to reduce and change the role of the militaries, making them internal police

forces similar to that of Costa Rica.

Others, like Honduran President Rafael Callejas and Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani, advocate eventual reductions, but maintain support for the continued existence of defensive military forces.

''Certainly, the Costa Rican model is a worthy goal, but it is utopian in any foreseeable time frame,'' said a Western diplomat based in San Jose, Costa Rica.

The changes have already begun to take shape and Vice Defense Ministers from five Central American countries met this week in El Salvador to discuss further reductions.

Nicaragua, with its war against Contra rebels over, has been the first to initiate major cuts, from 95,000 last year to the current 35, 000. Honduras, which has the smallest army in the region - about 20,000 - has also reduced its armed forces in the past year, although it still has the most powerful air force in the region with its U.S.-supplied jet fighters and helicopters.

Panama has been excluded from Central American regional meetings in recent years, but figures prominently in the region's concerns because of its proximity and the presence of some 10,000 U.S. troops of the U.S. Southern Command.

A Panama-based military analyst, however, estimated that not only will the U.S. honor its commitment under the Panama Canal treaties to withdraw the Southern Command by Dec. 31, 1999, but that it will probably do so before deadline.

With the Panamanian Defense Forces of former military ruler Manuel Antonio Noriega now disbanded, Panama would be left with a 12,500-member National Police Force.

The Guatemalan military has been among the most reluctant to change. Despite recent rumors of a coup attempt by the military, the army announced last week that it will ''respect and ensure respect'' for Nov. 11 presidential elections.

The Guatemala army continues to control the civilian government, and frequent killings by members of the military go unpunished despite the fact that the guerrilla threat has been greatly diminished since the early 1980s.

''The insurgency in El Salvador remains the nut that has to get cracked before any regional demilitarization comes about,'' a military analyst said.

Demilitarization is the key issue in ongoing negotiations between the Salvadoran government and the FMLN, which resumed Thursday in San Jose.

''Although reduction of the armed forces is a necessity, it has to correspond to the action taken by the FMLN and the threat represented by the FMLN,'' said Col. Mauricio Ernesto Vargas, the No. 2 man in the Salvadoran joint chiefs-of-staff.

Reductions in the Salvadoran military would be likely to bring more reductions in the militaries of both Honduras and Nicaragua.

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska (SEPT. 13) UPI - Alaska Gov. Steve Cowper said Thursday that Exxon must return in 1991 to continue cleaning up the oil spilled by the tanker Exxon Valdez 18 months ago.

Exxon has declared the cleanup a success and pulled its crews off Alaska shores for the winter as it packs up to leave Alaska. But Cowper told a news conference that Exxon cannot consider its job finished while so much oil remains in the environment, much of it buried beneath the surface.

''There are areas that are heavily oiled,'' Cowper said. ''Those areas have to be treated. If you leave them alone, they will continue to leach toxic substances for a long, long time. If we treat them, then the period of recovery will be considerably less.''

More than 61 miles of coastline remain oiled after two summers of extensive cleanup, according to state Department of Environmental Conservation surveys released by the governor. The survey said 11.5 miles of shore have medium or heavy concentrations of oil and the rest is lightly oiled.

Some 1,200 miles of shoreline were hit by crude oil in March 1989 when the Exxon Valdez smashed into Bligh Reef and broke open, spewing 11 million gallons of crude into a pristine wilderness in the nation's worst spill.

''I think there's been a big improvement in Prince William Sound due to the people's efforts who worked there this summer,'' Cowper said. ''At the same time, it is clear ... that there's more work to do next summer.''

Exxon and Alaska Coast Guard spill coordinators have said that spring shoreline surveys will determine what, if anything, the oil company must do next year. But Cowper said he planned to give Exxon work orders.

''We're going to make a list of specific areas that we want Exxon to clean up and specify the methodology, how they clean it up,'' Cowper said.

But Cowper acknowledged that Alaska lost some key cleanup battles over the summer when the Coast Guard overruled state objections about treatment of certain beaches.

In the most glaring example of such a disagreement earlier this month, the Coast Guard ordered Exxon to dig up the shores of Ushagat Island in the Gulf of Alaska to let waves wash away buried oil. Cowper cabinet members angrily accused the Coast Guard and Exxon of releasing several thousand gallons of crude into the water in what amounted to a new spill that no one cleaned up. The state had urged that the oil be picked up and taken away.

Cowper criticized the Coast Guard and showed a video proving state claims that the cleanup-caused spill put more oil in the water and that sea birds died. The same video showed the governor reaching down into a ''cleaned'' beach last week and pulling out his hand - covered with oil.

Cowper also rejected Exxon claims that a record 1990 Prince William Sound salmon season could be used show that spill damage was over. The governor said fish caught this summer were spawned in 1988 and that it will take years before scientists know whether oil has had a lasting effect on fishing.

Oil's impact on native subsistence food gathering continues for Aleut villagers who live in the spill impact zone, Cowper said.

''Sure the subsistence harvest has been affected,'' he said. ''Some of the smaller villages, Tatitlek, Chenega Bay, utilize the islands and beaches that were directly hit by the oil. They have noticed a decline in certain animals that they use'' such as otters and deer.

If Exxon had put more effort into its second season of cleanup, the beaches would be in better shape, Cowper said. ''Perhaps there should have been more people and more equipment.''

Exxon staged its own spill wrap-up show Tuesday night, presenting videos, making speeches and declaring its $2 billion cleanup a success. Thursday, Exxon repeated its claims of a successful cleanup, dismissing state concerns while heralding a successful fishing season, making claims that wildlife was abundant in the spill zone and asserting that remaining oil was virtually harmless.

With no more dead animals flashing on national TV screens, and Exxon and the Coast Guard trumpeting a successful operation while showing increasing signs of restlessness and impatience at continuing state demands, Cowper said, ''We're the people who have gotten the role of trying to push the cleanup along.''

''I don't know if we've lost our audience or not,'' Cowper said. ''We haven't lost our oil on the beach and that's what we have to treat next summer. We're in for the long run whether we like it or not and so it's up to us to apply whatever pressures and whatever authority we have to make sure that the oil is cleaned up as best we can do it. We have to keep pushing.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - David Souter, trying to prove he deserves a seat on the Supreme Court, told the Senate Judiciary Committee Thursday he believes Americans have far broader rights than those in the Constitution, but he avoided any hint of how he would vote on the issue of abortion.

On the first day of the committee's examination of President Bush's choice to replace liberal Justice William Brennan, Souter, a quiet New Hampshire jurist, went to great lengths to dispel criticism that he may be out of touch with the problems of average Americans.

Showing an unexpected display of emotion, Souter, a 50-year-old bachelor, stressed his Yankee independence and argued that the Constitution is grounded in a sense of limited governmental power and a belief that Americans had many unspecified rights, including a right to privacy.

A right to privacy is one of the underpinnings of the court's 1973 Roe vs. Wade decision that women have a right to seek an abortion. While Souter said he believes in the privacy guarantee, he refused several times, under questioning from committee Chairman Joseph Biden, D-Del., and others to specifically say whether he would vote to uphold the abortion ruling.

Souter conceded that his unknown view on the abortion case ''has been on everyone's mind and everyone's lips since the moment of my nomination,'' but he stressed it would be inappropriate to say whether he would vote to preserve or throw out that decision.

Souter's refusal to answer any specific questions indicating how he would rule on Roe vs. Wade was in part because it is considered improper for a sitting judge to comment on pending cases and, perhaps even more important, because both sides in the intense abortion debate have implicitly agreed not to let the issue be a single-issue ''litmus test'' in the confirmation process.

But abortion was the subject that provided the most emotional exchange of the day.

When Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, pushed Souter on whether he could empathize with women who are struggling with whether to have an abortion, Souter recounted an experience from 24 years ago in which he spent two hours counseling a woman who was considering aborting a pregnancy by herself.

''I learned that afternoon what was at stake,'' Souter said. ''I hope I have learned since then what is at stake on both sides of the controversy.''

In that exchange and others, Souter spent much of his day trying to show he

can relate to problems of average Americans.

In his opening statement, he said judges must remember that ''at the end of our task, some human being is going to be affected. Some human life is going to be changed in some way by what we do.''

''If, indeed, we are going to be trial judges whose ruling will affect the lives of other people and who are going to change their lives by what we do, we had better use every power of our minds and our hearts and our beings to get those rulings right,'' he added.

''What you want to avoid is a judge who will not listen,'' said Souter. ''I think I have a record as a judge that indicates that I will.''

The comments appeared to have an impact on several senators, including Biden, who said, ''I think you've given us a little glimpse of your heart.''

''You are a good listener and that leaves me with a very good feeling,'' added Sen. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., considered a swing vote on the panel.

Metzenbaum, a staunch liberal, said he still was not sure of Souter's judicial philosophy, but noted he was satisfied Souter was ''a man of sincerity, integrity and conscience.'' For Souter to take a seat on the high court, he must first go through an examination by the Democratic- majority Judiciary Committee and be approved by the full Senate.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday that the basic U.S. money supply, narrowly defined under the name of M1, rose $4.4 billion in the latest reporting week. The broader aggregates M2 and M3 also went up.

M2 increased by $12.7 billion and M3 rose by $11.0 billion.

M1, which is made up of cash, checking accounts and NOW accounts - money that is available for immediate spending - rose to a seasonally adjusted average of $820.0 billion in the week ended Sept. 3 from a revised $815.6 billion the week before.

Over the latest 13 weeks, M1 averaged $812.1 billion, a 3.2 percent rate of increase from the previous 13 weeks, the Fed reported.

The broader measure of money, M2, averaged an estimated $3,316.4 billion in the latest week, up from a revised $3,303.7 billion. M2 includes M1, plus passbook savings, small time deposits, including money market deposit accounts consumer money market mutual funds and certain other short-term assets.

M3, which includes M2 plus large time deposits, repurchase agreements longer than one day at banks and thrifts, and institutional money market funds, averaged $4,103.4 billion in the latest week, up from a revised $4,092.4 billion, the Fed said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 13) UPI - Assets of the nation's 522 money market mutual funds rose by $474.2 million to $407.01 billion in the week ended Wednesday, the Investment Company Institute reported Thursday.

The Washington-based institute said broker-dealer fund assets increased $608.2 million to $165.57 billion, assets of general purpose funds increased $118 million to $143.8 billion and institutional fund assets fell $252 million to $97.64 billion.

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were unchanged at 7.47 percent, and 30-day simple yields fell to 7.48 percent from 7.49 the previous week.

The average maturity of fund portfolios was 47 days, up from 46.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money market deposit accounts, 5.89 percent, unchanged; Super-Now accounts, 4.97 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.49 percent, down from 7.51 percent; 1-year CDs, 7.59 percent, down from 7.61; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.68 percent, up from 7.67; and five-year CDs, 7.80 percent, up from 7.79.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.26 percent, down from 8.28 percent.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.71 percent from 9.77, while the average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage also dropped, to 10.02 percent from 10.08.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was 12.23 percent, down from 12.26 percent.

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(SEPT. 13) UPI - South African authorities say at least 26 people were killed and 100 more were injured as two gangs armed with guns and machetes rampaged through a train near Johannesburg. But police expect the death toll to climb as patrols discover more bodies. Police say the attackers fled the scene, described as a ''slaughter house'' by one paramedic. The attack came as thousands of refugees fled black factional fighting in black townships east of Johannesburg.

As Secretary of State Baker travels to Syria today, many analysts are wondering if such alliances forged by the gulf crisis place greater pressure on Israel to pursue Middle East peace talks. But Israeli officials are playing down Baker's visit to Syria. They say Baker has assured them NO decisions will be made behind Israel's back or at Israel's expense.

A senior Soviet aide says President Gorbachev is on the verge of urgent steps to stabilize the economy. Gorbachev's personal economic adviser says the president wants to see the beginning of a market economy established by the first of next year... along with a partial freeing of prices from state control. He says Gorbachev will likely create an ''emergency inter-republican economic council.''

Government health officials say mammograms can help prevent about one-third of breast cancer deaths in women over 40. But the officials say many doctors fail to recommend women take the test. A federal survey of 980 women found 45 percent of them who never had a mammogram said their doctor never recommended the procedure.

Sources in Lebanon report fighting erupted between Israeli troops and Lebanese resistance fighters near a Syrian-policed area, 31 miles southeast of Beirut. Security sources quote an Lebanese Resistance Movement communique as saying ''10 Israeli soldiers were killed or wounded.''

Government doctors are expected to start the first official effort at human gene therapy tomorrow by inserting genes into the cells of a four- year-old child. National Institutes of Health doctors say the child suffers from a rare immune system defect. Doctors plan to insert correct copies of the gene in the child's white blood cells, then put the cells back into the body.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 13) UPI - A federal appeals court Thursday expanded national environmental law to require the U.S. Forest Service to consider the effects of logging on ''biological diversity,'' not simply a single species such as the spotted owl.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling said the Forest Service violated the National Environmental Policy Act by failing to study the impacts of

logging on biological diversity.

Nathaniel Lawrence, attorney for the Natural Resources Defense Council, hailed the ruling as a ''landmark victory in the fight to stop the destruction of our native forests.''

''It is the first decision to force the government to take heed of the biological diversity of the ancient forests of the Pacific Northwest,'' Lawrence said.

The decision requires the Forest Service to study the impact of a proposed 3,000-acre timber salvage and harvest plan on an area burned during a 1987 fire that swept through 15,000 acres in the Klamath National Forest.

Environmentalists argue preserving biological diversity requires protection of a forest so that sufficient numbers of all plant and animal life can survive to sustain the diversity of an area.

The environmental groups asked that the Forest Service consider creation of a biological corridor between the Marble Mountain and Red Butte wilderness areas to allow animal species and even plants to migrate from one forested area to another.

Judge Alfred Goodwin wrote for the majority that the Forest Service failed to take a ''hard look'' at the biological corridor issue and settled on the half-mile wide strip without ''any apparent study or supporting documentation.''

Goodwin, a former justice on the Oregon Supreme Court and now chief judge of the 9th Circuit, ordered the Forest Service to study the corridor issue and the impact on biological diversity.

Wesley Higbie, attorney for the timber firms named in the lawsuit, said, ''I think the circumstances really do not permit a seemingly endless analysis of environmental impacts.''

Higbie said the proposed biological corridors around Marble Mountain could take in virtually all stands of old growth timber that have not been harvested. He said there is no proof species would use the corridors to migrate from one area to another.

Activists say the connecting corridors could allow creatures such as wolves, bears, mountain lions and spotted owls to sustain gene-pool diversity.

The northern spotted owl has become a focal point in the battle over the future of old-growth forests in the Pacific Northwest. The Fish and Wildlife Service listed the owl as a threatened species this summer, forcing the government to draft a plan on how to operate the forests to preserve the owl.

The Bush administration appointed a special inter-agency task force with the goal of saving the owl while mininizing job losses to loggers.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - The Senate passed and sent to the White House Thursday a bill giving the president new discretion to draw oil from the strategic petroleum reserve during a domestic energy crisis or an oil import disruption.

Final congressional action on the measure came two days before the Energy Department's authority under existing law to purchase and store oil for the reserve was due to expire.

The legislation, a compromise that reconciles differing House and Senate versions of the bill passed months ago, cleared the House, 391-0, and passed the Senate on a voice vote about an hour later.

The White House had issued veto threats against both the original House and Senate versions of the bill. However, a Senate staff member who asked not to be identified said the administration signaled Thursday that President Bush would sign the compromise measure into law.

''The way it was put to me is: 'There was no veto threat,''' the staffer said.

The White House had no immediate comment on the bill.

Maintaining the reserve and expanding the president's authority to use it in times of national energy emergencies has taken on greater importance since Iraq invaded Kuwait last month, threatening Western access to Persian Gulf oil.

''This is much needed legislation,'' said Senate Energy Committee Chairman Bennett Johnston, D-La. ''It happens to be the only part of a domestic energy policy that this country has that makes any sense.''

Johnston used the occasion to repeat earlier calls to increase domestic oil and gas exploration to help ''change from a policy of imports to a policy of 'made in America.'''

The strategic petroleum reserve was established in 1975 following the Arab oil embargo to ensure the United States an emergency supply of oil. The reserve now holds about 590 million barrels of crude oil, stored in salt caverns on the Gulf Coast of Louisiana and Texas.

Under current law, the president can order the government to draw on the reserve only in the event of a severe cut-off of imported oil or if such a

disruption is imminent. This authority has never been invoked.

The legislation goes further by allowing the president to tap the reserve if a severe interruption in domestic oil supplies occurs or is likely. However, such use would be limited to 30 million barrels of oil for up to 60 days.

The original House bill would have allowed the president to draw up to 50 million barrels of oil for up to 90 days.

The White House had threatened to veto the original Senate bill because of a provision to expand the size of the reserve to 1 billion barrels. Congress instead adopted language authorizing such an enlargement after 1996, when the reserve's existing capacity of 750 million barrels is expected to be reached.

Another key feature of the compromise bill is a provision that for the first time would require a portion of the reserve, now made up entirely of crude oil be devoted to refined petroleum products, such as heating oil or gasoline.

But to ward off a veto threat triggered over this issue, storage of refined products would be authorized only as a three-year pilot program rather than as a permanent part of the petroleum reserve as the House originally intended.

The stockpile of refined products is to make up roughly 10 percent of the overall reserve and is to be ''located on national distribution systems that can meet the needs of those areas that are particularly dependent on foreign products.''

This provision was designed to speed delivery of gasoline or heating oil in the event of a supply shortage, shortening the time it would otherwise take to refine the petroleum before it can be shipped.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 13) UPI - With fiscal disaster looming, city officials Thursday began to explore ways to reassure jittery investors and cut costs following the collapse of its $375 million sale of short-term loan notes on Wall Street.

The maneuvering came as the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce called on Mayor Wilson Goode, Gov. Robert P. Casey and members of City Council and the state Legislature to attend a budget summit next week. The city is facing a $206 million deficit this year that is expected to double next year.

City Council member Lucien Blackwell, a likely mayoral candidate next year, charged that bankers are holding the city ''hostage,'' even though the city has never missed a bond payment, because City Council refused to raise taxes this year.

''Donald Trump missed a payment,'' Blackwell said. ''They reorganized his finances and gave him money at 2 percent interest. They tell us ... with 1.6 million people, that we have to pay 9 percent.''

City Finance Director Betsy Reveal, in her first comments to local reporters in seven weeks, painted a stark picture of the city's financial future if the notes cannot be sold.

''We will be out of money in 12 to 18 weeks,'' Reveal said. ''One hundred percent of city services are at risk.''

Reveal said the city would look at possible cash saving measures next week. That could include leaving positions vacant, postponing payments to vendors, and delaying planned payments to the city's pension board.

For seven weeks the city has been trying to find backers for its note sale, and after seeming to get a commitment for $50 million from Swiss Bank Corp., set the sale for Wednesday. Then the Swiss had second thoughts, leaving the city with no collateral, and the sale was off.

Reveal said the city had a signed committment from the bank for the support, and hinted officials might take legal action.

''We believe the breach (of contract) to be actionable, and we are pursuing all our options for appropriate redress,'' Reveal said.

''Clearly their inability to access the market is of significant concern,'' said Michael Johnston, a regional vice president of Moody's Investors Service.

Moody's, which last month dropped its rating on the city's long-term notes to Ba - just above junk bond status - is considering possible further rating action.

On Thursday, Fitch Investors Service Inc. lowered its rating of the city's bonds from BBB to B, which is junk bond level.

Reveal said it is now up to state and local elected officials to take steps to reassure investors.

''At a minimum, elected officials at the state and local level have got to say they will do everything within their power to be sure the city avoids insolvency and pays back the notes,'' Reveal said.

She blamed the crisis on ''a collective failure over 2 1/2 years to do everything that was necessary to ensure the city did not come up to the brink of insolvency.''

At an impromptu news conference, Casey sidestepped the question of a regional sales tax for the city, saying, ''It's not helpful to talk in terms of a hypothetical situation.''

A half-cent increase in the state sales tax to support the regional transit authority was proposed in the General Assembly by Philadelphia Democrat Rep. Dwight Evans earlier this year. Sources said the governor was strongly opposed to any tax increase proposal.

Casey reiterated his stance that the city's political and civic leaders have to reach agreement on a resolution to Philadelphia's financial crisis before the state's role can be defined.

The governor said it would not be possible for the state to loan the city money because its budget has already been passed.

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#90256u2142 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia (SEPT. 13) UPI - Canadian Coast Guard officials were trying to determine Thursday whether five hard-packed Styrofoam cylinders retrieved from the northern Atlantic Ocean came from a Boeing 727 that ditched with 16 people aboard.

Canadian Coast Guard spokesman Capt. Ross Brown told United Press International that officials would not know for several hours if they have located material from the Peruvian plane that ditched Tuesday southeast of Cape Race, Newfoundland after it ran low on fuel.

The cylinders were spotted floating in the ocean by one of several search planes and retrieved by a Coast Guard vessel.

''It could be anything. The ocean has its fair share of foreign objects,'' Brown said. He said the cylinders measured 14 inches by 4.75 inches and could have been discarded by a passing ship.

Meanwhile Thursday, worsening weather conditions, including winds and high waves, hampered search efforts for the 727.

Canadian Coast Guard spokesman Chip Chase said in an interview that an international force of nine aircraft, including two U.S. Air Force Reserve Hercules, one from Iceland and the other from Greenwood, Nova Scotia, and a Royal Airforce long range Nimrod joined Canadian planes in the search. Five ships are also participating in the hunt, he said.

Despite the massive effort, searchers have been unable to pinpoint the plane or any wreckage.

Chase said searchers were conducting an ''electronic sweep'' of a 300,000-square-mile area, but were hampered by deteriorating weather conditions, including winds of 25 miles per hour and 16-foot high waves. Visibility has also decreased and the area was being hit with rain and fog, Chase added.

The aircraft, with 15 Peruvian adults and one infant aboard, ditched Tuesday in the north Atlantic Ocean after its pilot issued a mayday call about 180 miles south of Newfoundland. There were no immediate reports of casualties.

The plane, owned by Faucett Airlines of Lima, Peru, a company established in 1928, was equipped with lifeboats, lifevests and emergency locator transmitters.

The plane was on loan to Air Malta for the summer and had been painted white and red, the colors of the European airline. The aircraft left Milan, Italy Tuesday and refuelled in Iceland. It was scheduled to refuel in Gander, Newfoundland before continuing to Miami.

But Chase said the plane ran low on fuel and ditched before reaching Gander.

Rescuers also continued searching Thursday off the Labrador coast for a smaller Cessna aircraft with six passengers and two crew aboard that went missing Tuesday.

The plane last made contact with authorities 15 minutes after takeoff from Greenland. It was enroute to Laborador.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 13) UPI - Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher and top American executives said Thursday they expect Soviet-American business cooperation to skyrocket despite some major remaining impediments to foreign investment.

Speaking at a news conference after a four-day presidential trade mission to the Soviet Union, the business leaders said they hoped American companies could quickly catch up with European firms in the amount of business done in the Soviet Union.

''This mission is extraordinarily significant, perhaps a watershed in our trade relations,'' said Dwayne Andreas, chairman and chief executive of Archer-Daniels-Midland Co. ''This is the first time in my memory that a president has said emphatically that he would like us to do all the business here that is appropriate and profitable.

''Those words alone will allay the fears and inhibitions of many of our corporate people who have been very reticent during the Cold War.''

Mosbacher said he felt the trade mission, which included chief executives from 15 U.S. companies, had ''accomplished a great deal.''

But he added that there were still major impediments to foreign investment in the Soviet Union, such as the lack of real private property rights, the confusion over the respective authority of central and local governments and the shortcomings in ''physical and legal infrastructure'' including the lack of a convertible currency.

''One other thing that needs to be accomplished of course is the passage of the (Soviet) emigration bill so that the president can send to Congress a recommendation for a Jackson-Vanik waver (of trade restrictions) and allow the most-favored nation process to work,'' he said.

President Bush said at his summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in Helsinki Sunday that the Soviet stand on the Gulf crisis had encouraged him to ask Congress to aid Moscow. But there has been no indication since then that U.S. conditions for improved trade status have changed.

The United States has demanded that the Soviets make concrete moves to implement a market economy and pass a new law allowing free emigration before beneficial trade laws are enacted.

But the business leaders who wrapped up their visit to Moscow Thursday said they were confident the obstacles to better trade would soon fall.

Andreas said Gorbachev had assured the group that the Soviet Union was committed to the move to a market economy and also planned to pass the emigration bill in the next several months.

A proposed law to allow 100 percent foreign ownership of businesses in the Soviet Union was also an encouraging sign, the executives said.

''There are some political and economic issues yet to be resolved but it is my opinion based on discussions that we had this week that those are moving forward with dispatch,'' said Lodwrick Cook, chairman of the Chevron Corp. ''The attitude is very positive for developing opportunities for joint ventures in a number of fields, particularly in the energy field.''

The Soviet Union is suffering from a decline in its oil and gas production, with a corresponding drop in badly needed hard currency earnings, and a major focus of the trade mission was the energy industry. Of the 15 executives, six were from energy companies, and Mosbacher made his fortune in the oil industry.

Members of the delegation met with Gorbachev and other top officials of the central government as well as radical local politicians seeking to wrest economic control away from the Kremlin. They also met with Soviet business

leaders and several said they were near completion of new deals.

Mosbacher also announced a new program called the Soviet-American Business Internship Training Program under which the 15 companies in the mission and other businesses would host Soviet businesspeople for three to six months of training in Western business practices.

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#90256u2162 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 13) UPI - A group of American and Canadian women and children arrived in Raleigh, North Carolina, this afternoon after being held in Iraq for more than a month. There were 263 Americans and 47 Canadians aboard the Northwest Airlines flight from London. A group of anxious relatives greeted the former hostages who were each given a yellow carnation as they filed through a repatriation center providing medical and financial assistance.

American soldiers in Saudi Arabia had some questions for U-S Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman General Colin Powell during his visit today. The troops asked Powell how long they might be stationed in the Saudi desert to deter Iraq's army. Powell answered that he was trying to get everybody out of the region fast. There are more 100-thousand U-S military personnel in the area.

South African authorities say two gangs armed with guns and machetes attacked a trainload of people near Johannesburg... killing at least 26 commuters. More than 100 others were wounded in this latest bloody surge of factional fighting in black townships near Johannesburg. The first gang attacked the train as it stood a station... the other assailants attacked it near a station further down the line.

Sources close to the White House-congressional budget talks at Andrews Air Force Base outside of Washington say negotiators have neared agreement on several issues. They say there has been significant progress on defense, domestic spending and benefit program cuts. But there are reported to be deep divisions over a Republican call for a capital gains tax cut.

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#90256u2175 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) UPI - Five Eastern European nations can buy U.S. rice at subsidized prices, the government said Thursday in a step taken to offset the loss of the Iraq market and to counter European Community subsidies.

The offer of up to 100,000 metric tons of rice at discount prices to Hungary, Yugoslavia, Romania, Czechoslovakia and Poland was one of the largest rice offers in the history of the Export Enhancement Program.

''We will continue to use the EEP aggressively to counter subsidized

commodities from the European Community,'' Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter said in a statement. ''This effort will move U.S. rice, which will help our farmers and the people of Eastern Europe.''

An aide said the offer also would ''help out rice farmers who have traditionally sold rice to Iraq.'' Sales have been cut off as part of the international trade embargo against Iraq.

Iraq was the No. 1 market for U.S. rice exports, buying 20 percent of the U.S. total in fiscal 1989. It purchased 302,254 tons of rice in the first eight months of this fiscal year.

The EEP is the major U.S. export subsidy program. U.S. officials have complained the European Community unfairly subsidizes its farm exports and distorts world trade. The United States has made elimination of export subsidies a goal in world trade reform negotiations.

Arkansas, California, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri and Texas are the major rice-growing states.

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BOCA RATON, FL (SEPT. 13) UPI - Both professional and college players will make up the 1992 U.S. Olympic basketball team, and the squad will be directed by an NBA coach, a committee devising guidelines decided Thursday.

C.M. Newton, athletic director at Kentucky and chairman of the games committee of the U.S. Basketball Council, said players on the team would be selected by the committee and the coaching staff. There will be no Olympic trials as there have been in the past.

Newton; Dave Gavitt of the Boston Celtics and president of USA Basketball; and Russ Granik, an NBA deputy commissioner and vice president of USA Basketball, appeared in behalf of the full committee to announce the developments after the opening day of the annual NBA meetings.

They said they did not reach any decision as to how many NBA players and how many college players would be on the roster. Teams are allowed to take 12 players to the Olympics, but the original roster was expected to be larger than that to allow for injuries and other problems.

''Our recommendation is that they not all be professional in this transitional period,'' Newton said.

Newton said the head coach would have to have eight years of coaching experience, three of them as an NBA head coach, and must have been active in the NBA in two of the last three years at the time of his selection.

He said no names were brought up during the meeting of the 12-member committee on Thursday. Among coaches rumored to be prospects are Pat Riley, who resigned as head coach of the Los Angeles Lakers earlier this year.

Assistant coaches would include one NBA head coach and two active college coaches, with at least one of them possessing international experience.

The guidelines will be presented to the 17-member USA Basketball Council for approval and then must be approved by the U.S. Olympic Committee.

''We will reconvene in November and start putting this into action,'' Newton said.

He said he hoped to select the coaching staff ''as quickly as possible.'' As for the players, he said, ''It is our hope that through the NBA players association and general managers we will know by February who has an interest. We will have the best players and the best coaching, which has not been available to us before.''

The United States has struggled in international competition recently, using young college players against internationally seasoned competition. It won its last Olympic gold medal in Los Angeles in 1984.

The international basketball federation voted last year to allow professional players in the Olympics.

Newton said the team's first competition would be in the Olymypic Qualification Tournament for the Americas at an undetermined site in the United States. The zone qualifying must be completed by July 5. Four teams would be selected from the 10 teams competing.

It is anticipated that tournament would take about a week and would start only a week or two after the NBA championship series is over.

Play in the Olympics starts at Barcelona Aug. 26.

''We don't have any choice in terms of timing,'' said Newton, a former head coach at Vanderbilt and Alabama.

Newton said he expected wide participation by NBA players.

''Rolando Blackman, who is also a vice president of the players Association, and Quinn Buckner sat in on our meeting, and their input was invaluable for helping us understand things from a player's perspective,'' Newton said.

He said Blackman said at the meeting that he would play on the team if selected.

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#90256u2189 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 13) UPI - Supreme Court nominee David Souter testified at a Senate hearing today, saying he believes Americans have far broader rights than those in the U-S Constitution. Souter told the Senate Judiciary Committee, the Constitution is grounded in a belief Americans have the many UNspecified rights, including the right to privacy. The right to privacy is one of the underpinning's of the Supreme Court's 1973 Roe versus Wade decision that women have a right to seek an abortion.

Government officials say the United States admitted 107-thousand refugees in 1989, with the largest group coming from the Soviet Union. Refugees are those who fled their country due to political, religious or nationality persecution and are eligible for U-S financial aid. Of the 107-thousand refugees admitted last year, nearly 40-thousand fled the Soviet Union, with the bulk of them Jews and the remainder primarily Pentacostal Christians or Armenians.

Tobacco giant Philip Morris International announced plans to ship 20- BILLION cigarettes to the Soviet Union where riots have erupted in protest of a national tobacco shortage. Company officials in New York it is the largest single export order in its history. Plans call for the shipments, schedule to last throught 1991, to go the Soviet Union's sprawling Russian republic.

A divorced woman lost her court fight for custody of seven frozen embryos she hoped to donate to another couple against her former husband's wishes. A Tennesse Appeals Court at Knoxville struck down a lower court ruling awarding custody of the fertilized eggs to Mary Sue Davis Stowe... rather than her ex-husband Junior Davis. The appeals court ordered a lower court judge to award the couple joint custody of the embryos created in a laboratory dish before they divorced last year.

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#90256u2310 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 13) UPI - A number of waiting relatives burst into tears this afternoon when a Northwest Airlines jet carrying Americans who had been trapped in Iraqi- occupied Kuwait landed in Raleigh, North Carolina. There were 147 children among the 263 Americans aboard the flight from London. 47 Canadians were also on the plane. The weary women and children left behind about 16-hundred Americans still trapped in the oil-rich emirate.

Secretary of State Baker arrived in Syria this evening for talks with President Hafez Assad. After long being at odds over Middle East policy, Damascus and Washington have become more closely alligned in the face of the Persian Gulf crisis. Baker was greeted at the airport by Syria's foreign minister and will meet with Assad tomorrow.

A NASA investigative team says the flaw in the Hubble Space Telescope was apparently caused in part by a measurement blunder. Officials say a measuring rod was used upside down while assembling a critical optical device that tests the observatory's mirrors. The device was off by one- point-three millimeters... causing the mirror to be mis-shapen and unable to focus.

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#90256u2326 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 13) UPI - A New York state appeals court today cleared the way for the distribution of a book on the Mossad, Israel's spy agency. The appellate court lifted a lower court's ban on distribution of the book, ''By Way of Deception: The Making and Unmaking of a Mossad Officer''... saying the Israeli government did NOT prove that its intelligence agents would be endangered by the book. The book was written by a former Mossad agent.

Officials say Round Five of peace talks between Salvador's government and rebels has been slowed by failure to reach a deal on de-militarizing the armed forces. The negotiations aimed at ending 10 years of civil war in El Salvador resumed today in Costa Rica. The rebels insist both their army and the government's forces be dismantled to reach a lasting peace.

University of Pennsylvania researchers say a new transplant method eventually may help avert rejection and curb the use of immune- suppressing drugs. So far only tests on laboratory animals have been done. Researchers developed the method in an attempt to find a way to keep pancreatic cells from being rejected in diabetics. A doctor who led the study says the technique ''has potential in humans.''

Fast-food giant McDonald's is into recycling with plans to open its first restaurant made from recycled polystyrene... including some of its own foam-molded food packaging. The Tempe, Arizona, restaurant is scheduled to open in three weeks with exterior wall sections built by Rastra Building of Riverside, California. The firm uses a process to ground foam polystyrene into small beads, which are then formed into construction blocks.

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#90256u2490 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 13) UPI - The 263 Americans and 47 Canadians who arrived late today in

Raleigh, North Carolina, told of widespread looting by Iraqi occupation forces in Kuwait. They say Iraqi soldiers are making house-to-house searches for Kuwaiti resistance fighters and are using the opportunity to loot. .

A West Virginian woman who had lived in Kuwait for nine years with her husband and two children said her Kuwaiti neighbors kept asking her- ''When are the Marines going to arrive?''

David Souter faces a second day of hearings tomorrow before the Senate Judiciary Committee on his nomination to the Supreme Court. Today, he refused to discuss where he stood on the issue of abortion- saying it would be ''inappropriate.''

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Final congressional action on the measure comes two days before the Energy Department's authority to buy and store oil for the reserve was to expire. A Senate staff member says the White House has indicated that President Bush will sign the bill.

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#90256u2493 09/13/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 13) UPI - In South Africa, at least 26 people were killed and more than 100 wounded when two gangs of men armed with guns and machetes rampaged through a train near Johannesburg today. The slaughter pushes the death toll in the sixth week of black factional battles to more than 720.

Belgrade Radio says the worst violence in three months in Yugoslavia's troubled Kosovo province killed at least two people today. The radio says an attempt by Serbian police to search for illegal weapons in ethnic Albanian villages sparked the clashes.

A one-hour wildcat strike by Polish railway drivers today delayed dozens of passenger trains in the most serious labor unrest for the Solidarity-led government since last summer. The engine drivers' union have called a second warning strike tomorrow.

Thousands of French farmers protesting low prices and foreign livestock imports clashed with police today. The largest protest... in the city of Nevers, 147 miles southwest of Paris... injured 14 officers, but brought a

promise of action from the agriculture minister.

Firefighters continue to battle a fast-moving blaze that has engulfed an estimated five-thousand acres of land in the Black Hills of South Dakota. Officials say the fire has destroyed five cabins in Custer State Park.

Bad news for peanut butter lovers. The Peanut Advisory Board says a hot, dry summer has left the Southeast with its worst crop of peanuts in a decade. That means price hikes of at least 10 percent for peanut butter by January.

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#90256u2590 09/13/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 13) UPI - Acting Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger is making some demands regarding President Bush's videotaped message to the Iraqi people. Eagleburger insists that the tape be shown in the evening hours and in its entirety- without any editing. Iraq's ambassador to the United States promises the tape will air five times on state-run television. The State Department will send the tape to Baghdad by diplomatic courier in the next few days.

The U-S-O and retailing giant Montgomery Ward say they are developing a program dubbed ''Operation Better than a Letter.'' The two-Million- dollar program will allow U-S troops stuck in the Middle East or aboard a ship during Christmas to send home video-taped messages. World U-S-O President Chapman Cox believes the program will do wonders for the troops' morale.

Canadian Coast Guard officials say five Styrofoam cylinders recovered from the northern Atlantic Ocean are NOT from a missing Peruvian airliner. Says spokesman Captain Ross Brown- ''We're back to square one. The search is continuing.'' Meanwhile, worsening weather is hampering the hunt for the Boeing 727 with 16 people aboard that ditched southeast of Newfoundland Tuesday.

Agents with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms today arrested a Miami Florida, man they say provided the weapons that Moslem rebels used to stage July's coup attempt in Trinidad. Officials say Louis Haneef used a wad of 100-dollar bills to buy dozens of assault rifles as federal agents looked on. But the agents could do nothing until they confirmed the weapons had been shipped out of the country.

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#90257b0003 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire
SHEPHERD, MONT. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Third quarter earnings of $126,479 or 2 cents per share, were reported by United Tote Inc. (NASDAQ:TOTE), a leading supplier of wagering systems for the pari-mutuel and sports betting industries with more than 320 customer facilities worldwide.

Chairman of the Board Lloyd Shelhamer said revenues for the three months ended July 31, 1990, totaled $19.8 million, a 172 percent increase over the same period of fiscal 1989.

Most of the revenue increase was provided by Autotote Ltd., a Delaware-based wagering systems firm acquired by the company in December of last year.

Management is currently addressing an antitrust action brought against the company by the U.S. Department of Justice following the Autotote purchase. The suit is scheduled for an Oct. 17 trial in Delaware Federal Court.

Third quarter revenues of $19.8 million and earnings of $126,479, or 2 cents per share, compare with revenues of $7.3 million and earnings of $881,802, or 29 cents per share, for the third quarter of last year.

Through nine months of fiscal 1990, United Tote reported total revenues of $48.1 million and a loss of $1.2 million, or 23 cents per share, on 5.3 million shares.

The company attributed much of the loss to increased interest, depreciation and amortization expenses resulting from the Autotote acquisition, legal costs arising from the Justice Department action and delays in international sales.

Revenues from long-term service contracts - the company's main revenue source - and equipment sales were $14.5 million and $2.8 million respectively for the third quarter. Contract revenues totaled $31.1 million and equipment sales, $5.9 million through the first nine months of the fiscal year.

Revenues from ownership and management of racetracks generated $2.5 million for the third quarter and $10.7 million for the first nine months of fiscal 1990. These compare with $1.9 million and $10.4 million for the same periods last year.

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PORTLAND, OR (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Joseph J. Barclay, president and chief executive officer of Cascade Corp. (NASDAQ:CASC), reported operating results for both the second quarter and six month period ended July 31, 1990.

Consolidated net sales of $41,680,000 for the second quarter of 1990 were up 6 percent when compared to sales of $39,225,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income for the second quarter of 1990 was $2,200,000, or 36 cents per share, compared to 1989 second quarter net income of $2,975,000, or 50 cents

per share.

For the six months ended July 31, 1990, net sales of $84,135,000 were also 6 percent higher than 1989 sales of $79,520,000. Net income for the first six months of 1990 totaled $4,580,000, or 76 cents per share, compared to net income of $5,705,000, or 95 cents per share, for the corresponding 1989 period.

Barclay noted that the benefit from higher sales volume in both the second quarter and first six months was more than offset by lower gross margins associated with increased costs for raw materials and purchased components, a shift in product mix, and higher selling and administrative expenses.

Cascade Corp., with headquarters in Portland, is a leading international manufacturer of materials handling attachments for lift trucks and hydraulic cylinders.

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PIKEVILLE, KY (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlin Coleman, chairman of Pikeville National Corp. (NASDAQ:PKVL), and James E. Whitlock, chairman of First Federal Savings Bank, Campbellsville, Ky., announced Friday that Pikeville National Corp. and First Federal have entered into an agreement in principle pursuant to which Pikeville National Corp. would acquire First Federal.

In connection with the acquisition, Pikeville National Corp. intends to issue and sell approximately 120,000 shares of its common stock. The proceeds of the sale, expected to be approximately $3 million will, be contributed to the capital of First Federal by Pikeville National Corp.

First Federal also announced that its board of directors will adopt a proposed plan to convert First Federal, a Federally chartered mutual savings bank to a Federally chartered capital stock savings bank. Following the conversion, First Federal will be merged with a wholly owned subsidiary of Pikeville National Corp.

Pikeville National Corp. will offer its common stock to eligible depositors of First Federal, eligible directors and officers of First Federal, eligible Pikeville National Corp. shareholders, and to the Pikeville National Corp. Employee Stock Ownership Plan. Any stock remaining after completion of the offering described above may be sold in a public offering or private placement.

The conversion and the merger will be subject to approvals of various regulatory agencies, including the Office of Thrift Supervision and the

Federal Reserve Board.

Depositors of First Federal will continue to hold their accounts at First Federal following its conversion, with no changes in dollar amount, rate of return and other general terms, and all such accounts will continue to be insured by the Savings Association Insurance Funds of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

Borrower's loans will also be unaffected by the conversion, and the amount, rate, maturity, security and other conditions will remain contractually fixed as they existed prior to the conversion.

''We have the highest respect for James Whitlock and his staff,'' Coleman said. ''There will be no change in management, employees or directors. First Federal Savings Bank will continue to do business under its present name and its management will continue to respond to the needs of its customers, employees and community. We look forward to a great and exciting future and welcome Jim Whitlock and his people to our team.''

''We believe this is a very positive step for First Federal,'' Whitlock said. ''Current banking laws and regulations require us to operate more like a commercial bank. Pikeville National Corp. can help us respond to the needs of our customers and community as well as the regulatory changes and demands. We look forward to becoming a member of
a much larger team.''

First Federal had assets of $145,034,258 and capital of $3,970,174, as of June 30, 1990. In addition to its Campbellsville offices, First Federal has branches in Columbia, Jamestown, Greensburg, Edmonton and Somerset.

Pikeville National Corp. is a bank holding company with assets of approximately $970 million. Pikeville National Corp. owns banks in Pikeville, Whitesburg, West Liberty, Mount Sterling, Williamsburg, Flemingsburg and Ashland.

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BURLINGTON, MA (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Semicon Inc. (OTC-Pink Sheets) Friday announced results for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Net sales decreased 35 percent to $10,015,000, down from $15,324,000 in the prior year. Net income decreased from $1,550,000 in 1989 to a net loss of $4,248,000. Income per share decreased from 50 cents to a loss per share of $1.31 in 1990.

Net sales in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 were $2,171,000 compared to $3,480,000 in the same period last year. Net income decreased from $227,000 a year ago to a net loss of $3,974,000 this quarter. Net income per share decreased from 7 cents to a loss of $1.22 per share in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990.

Results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year were significantly affected by one time charges aggregating $3,679,000. Charged to earnings in the fourth quarter were a $2,328,000 provision for estimated restructuring expenses, a $776,000 charge for discontinued operations, and a $575,000 charge for product requalifications.

Harold W. Mahar Jr., president and chief executive officer of Semicon, said, ''Although the reserves were significant, we felt they were necessary to address the problems facing Semicon.''

Mahar continued, ''The operating losses for the fourth quarter and the year, without regard to reserves, were distressing. However, we have continued our efforts to reduce costs in order to operate at lower revenue levels. Our cost reduction program has included significant employee reductions, consolidation of operations to one building and management reorganization. Despite these efforts, we expect to report a loss for the first quarter ending September 30, 1990. We still face the necessity of restructuring our long term debt to continue as a going concern.''

Semicon manufactures discrete semiconductor devices in Burlington, Massachusetts.

Semicon Common Stock is listed on the ''Pink Sheets'' in the over-the-counter market.

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REDONDO BEACH, CALIF. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Daniel S. Goldin, vice president and general manager of the TRW Space & Technology Group, has announced the following reassignments and promotions within his organization.

The TRW Space & Technology Group specializes in the design and production of spacecraft systems and instruments and technologies, lasers and propulsion systems.

Dr. Paul W. Mayhew, has been named vice president and assistant group general manager for programs reporting directly to Goldin. Mayhew was formerly vice

president and general manager of the Space & Technology Group's Engineering and Test Division. In his new role, Mayhew will be responsible for the oversight of all group programs and in the startup of new commercial and international activities.

Edward J. Nowacki, former vice president and program manager of Advanced Technology Programs, succeeds Mayhew as president and general manager of the Engineering and Test Division. The division designs, develops and fabricates, assembles and tests spacecraft equipment and subsystems.

Donald C. Winter has been named vice president and general manager of a consolidation of the former Space and Technology Group Advanced Technology Programs, Defense Projects Division and Strategic Mission Programs. This new division, the Defense Systems Division, will manage special programs. Winter was formerly vice president and manager of Strategic Mission Programs.

Dr. Joseph Miller replaces Gerard W. Elverum, who has retired, as vice president and general manager of the Applied Technology Division. Miller was formerly assistant general manager of the division, which produces electro-optical and instrument systems, propulsion subsystems, high-energy lasers and laser technology, advanced payloads technology, superconductivity technology and performs research in the physical sciences.

Edward C. Rea, has been named vice president and general manager of the Ballistic Missiles Division, which provides systems engineering to the U.S. Air Force on the Minuteman, Peacekeeper and Small ICBM and Advanced Systems programs. Rea replaces J. Michael Gorman, who retired earlier this year. Rea was formerly assistant general manager and project manager for the division's work on the Small ICBM.

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PHOENIX (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - DATAPHAZ Inc. (NASDAQ:DPHZ) Friday announced operating results for the second quarter and six month period ended July 31, 1990.

Sales and revenues for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 declined 31.4 percent to $20,379,000 from the $29,702,000 reported in the year earlier period. Net income of $195,000, or 5 cents per share, was reported for the current quarter compared to a loss of $309,000 or 8 cents per share, reported in the second quarter of the prior year.

Sales and revenues for the six months ended July 31, 1990, declined 26.4 percent to $39,928,000 from the $54,271,000 reported in the prior year period.

Net income of $215,000, or 6 cents per share, was reported for the current six month period, compared to a net loss of $868,000, or 23 cents per share, for the comparable prior year period.

Same store sales and revenues declined $3.8 million between the comparable quarter and six month periods. This decrease results in part from moving $2.6 million and $4.3 million in normal customer sales during the current quarter and six month period, respectively, to the ComputerLand Assisted Sales Program (CAS). These transactions do not appear as sales in the financial statements; rather fees were recorded for arranging the sale and delivery of the equipment.

Using CAS in combination with normal sales transactions, the company was able to increase total sales activity between the comparable six month periods from its primary market in Phoenix. However, sales and revenues did decline in the company's remaining markets as a result of slowing economic conditions, reorganizations in the Las Vegas and Denver stores, and the company's decision to limit bids and participation in highly discounted business which does not meet the criteria for CAS.

The improved net income results for the current quarter and six month period were attributed to the disposition of the Albuquerque and Dallas/Ft. Worth operations, an increased mix of service and support revenues, the company's decision to limit bids and participation in highly discounted business, a decrease in same store selling, general and administrative expenses and interest savings resulting from a reuction of average short-term borrowings.

DATAPHAZ presently operates five ComputerLand locations in three states and continues to be one of ComputerLand Corp.'s largest domestic franchisees. The company's corporate offices are located at 15002 N. 25th Drive, Phoenix, Ariz. 85023.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint is presenting the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) National Leadership Award to Acadian Ambulance Service Inc., which serves 1.5 million people in southern Louisiana.

The award will be presented Sunday during the 1990 EMS Management Academy at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Kansas City.

Acadian, based in Lafayette La., was honored for its pioneering contributions to the emergency medical services field, including its work in developing subscription/membership plans and customer service programs.

Steven P. Akin, president of the Consumer Services Group for US Sprint, will present the award. US Sprint sponsored the annual award in conjunction with Fitch & Associates Inc., the largest emergency medical services consulting firm in the country. Both companies are headquartered in Kansas City.

''This prestigious award recognizes Acadian's exceptional leadership in the emergency medical services industry,'' said Joseph J. Fitch, Ph.D., president of Fitch & Associates. ''Other public and private ambulance providers have adopted Acadian's programs in their own communities with great success.''

In addition to their model efforts in both air medical and ground ambulance services, Acadian has developed customer subscription programs that have proven successful in financing ambulance operations in the company's service region, as well as in other rural areas.

''People may not think about paramedics until they are involved in an emergency situation,'' Akin said. ''Leaders of emergency medical services systems are often the unsung heroes in their communities. US Sprint is delighted to recognize the efforts of those who provide vital community service.''

More than 150 ambulance service officials from across the United States participated in the sixth annual EMS academy, held each year in Kansas City.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The key architect of Apple Computer's desktop mapping campaign is joining Strategic Mapping Inc. as director of marketing, the company announced Friday.

Cesar Melgoza, who, as an Apple solutions marketing manager, focused on promoting Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and other information management tools, joins Strategic Mapping just as the software company has unveiled major new products for both the Macintosh and IBM PC.

Melgoza will spearhead the company's drive to establish the use of GIS as a widely used business and government planning and decision support tool

enabling users to analyze and display geographic data from spreadsheets and databases.

''For most business users, desktop mapping and GIS are brand new technologies, and Cesar Melgoza brings with him a detailed knowledge of how to help users understand and apply this software,'' said Stephen Poizner, president of Strategic Mapping Inc.

Geographic information systems enable users to link maps and data to optimize sales territories, plan distribution channels, evaluate site locations, and perform other types of geographic or demographic analyses. Geographic information systems provide ''visual databases'' which allow users to make queries by clicking on parts of the map with a mouse, or to change the displayed map by editing the underlying data.

As marketing director, Melgoza's primary role will be to plan and implement the company's overall marketing strategy, establishing broader markets for its line of desktop mapping and GIS products.

Melgoza will create marketing plans for the two newly released products, ATLAS MapMaker 4.5 for the Macintosh, and ATLAS GIS for IBM PCs, as well as Strategic Mapping's existing product line, which includes ATLAS Graphics, ATLAS Draw, and a complete library of map boundary and data files. Melgoza will also play a key role in identifying new product opportunities for Strategic Mapping.

Strategic Mapping Inc., formerly Strategic Locations Planning, is headquartered in San Jose, Calif. The company's desktop mapping products are used by more than half the Fortune 500 companies as well as thousands of other businesses, universities, government agencies and research organizations. For more information contact the company at 4030 Moorpark Ave., Suite 250, San Jose, CA 95117, 408/985-7400.

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ZEELAND, MI (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - AmeriMark Corp. announced Friday that its wholly owned subsidiary, AmeriShop, has entered into an agreement with Midway Airlines to provide benefits to their frequent flyer passengers.

This program was designed for Midway Airlines by AmeriShop. The program offers Midway's customers a unique discount shopping service that provides them high quality brand name merchandise at substantial savings. Each member will have toll-free telephone access to a centralized computer data base with over 60,000 merchandise products.

Flyers First members will be offered an incentive to pay a smaller annual fee based on the type of membership level they have earned. The program will offer a unique ''double the difference price guarantee'' assuring each member the lowest possible price on merchandise purchased in the United States.

To further promote this program, a new airline in-flight catalog is being designed which offers preselected merchandise to non-members as well as members. Members will have special discounted pricing available to them.

AmeriMark Corp. is presently the second largest electronic buying service company in the United States. AmeriMark is one of only a few companies that maintain a sophisticated centralized computer product data base.

AmeriMark is a publicly held company trading on the over the counter market.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Falcon Cable Systems Co., a California limited partnership (ASE:FAL), announced a regular quarterly distribution of 54 cents per unit, payable Nov. 14 to unitholders of record Sept. 28.

Falcon Cable Systems owns, operates and develops "classic" cable television systems serving approximately 163,000 subscribers in over 100 communities in California and Oregon that do not receive a wide variety of clear television broadcast reception.

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FULLERTON, CA (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Ropak Corp. (NASDAQ:ROPK) has been awarded distribution rights to a line of collapsible plastic materials-handling bins owned by North American Van Lines Inc.

The agreement, initially for one year, gives Ropak worldwide marketing rights in all industries except the household-moving business.

North American Van Lines' shipping and storage bins stand approximately 8 feet high and are on 44-by-44-inch or 44-by-88-inch bases. The two sizes have 95 and 190 cubic feet of interior space, respectively, and can be fitted with shelves for the movement or storage of furniture, appliances, office records

and the like. Each of the bins can be collapsed to about one-fourth its full size.

Ropak's present product line includes similar collapsible materials-handling containers in sizes ranging from 32 cubic feet down to 2.5 cubic feet. Management believes this to be the industry's broadest line of collapsible, multiple-use, recyclable plastic containers.

The company's pallet-size JIT collapsible plastic bins support ''just-in-time'' manufacturing and inventory-control systems and have come into widespread use in a number of businesses, including automotive, agriculture, raw materials, textiles and foodstuffs. Multiple-trip containers eliminate costly disposable packaging and significantly reduce landfill waste.

Ropak is a leading multinational maker of plastic packaging and handling products for foods, coatings and a variety of agricultural and industrial materials.

Ropak also distributes, for a company in which it holds a one-third equity interest, a line of test kits for the measurement of the human eye-and-skin-irritation potential from raw ingredients and finished formulations in cosmetics and household chemicals. Ropak has 10 plants in the United States, Canada and Japan.

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REDONDO BEACH, CALIF. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Philip N. Papaccio, deputy general manager of the TRW Systems Integration Group, has also assumed responsibility for all activities related to the Global Change Initiative for the TRW Space & Defense Sector.

As TRW's newly named vice president and program executive for the Global Change Initiative, Papaccio is overseeing all aspects of this far-reaching environmental program at TRW. He will develop and implement a sector-wide strategy and coordinate the many activities TRW has that are related to global change.

The Global Change Initiative is a worldwide effort to collect information on the Earth's natural processes and study records of past environmental changes to establish a sound scientific data base to develop policies on global change issues.

As part of the Global Change Initiative, NASA is sponsoring Mission to Planet Earth. This far-reaching program will place instruments and sensors aboard

U.S., European and Japanese as well as U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) polar orbiting platforms to provide long-term measurements of environmental conditions.

The program also includes activity by the Departments of Commerce, Energy, Interior, Defense and Agriculture; the Environmental Protection Agency; and the National Science Foundation.

''Phil will provide leadership for TRW's participation in this critical global environment program,'' said Edsel D. Dunford, executive vice president and general manager of the Space & Defense Sector. ''He will be the executive interface to our customers and other industry participants, and will coordinate a wide range of TRW initiatives in space- and software-based systems.''

TRW Space & Defense Sector provides a broad range of products and services for space, defense, electronics and information technology. With headquarters in Redondo Beach, the sector employs about 27,000 people worldwide. Cleveland-based TRW Inc. is an international company that provides high-technology products and services to the space and defense, automotive and information systems markets.

The company's 1989 sales totaled more than $7 billion.

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TULSA, OK (AUG. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - ONEOK Resources Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of ONEOK Inc., has entered into a joint exploration agreement with Helmerich & Payne Inc., Tulsa, Okla., for the purpose of drilling and developing prospects for oil and gas in the Arkoma Basin of eastern Oklahoma.

The primary prospects will be in Pittsburg, Haskell, Latimer, and LeFlore Counties, as well as others.

Helmerich & Payne will serve as operator of the program with ONEOK owning a 30 percent interest. The agreement, effective July 16, calls for joint activities over a two-year period.

The first well under the program is currently drilling.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Transco Energy Co. said today that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has issued a decision in the so-called ''Transition Cost Proceeding'' of its subsidiary, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corp. (TGPL).

The decision affirmed an earlier administrative law judge (ALJ) decision which would require TGPL to refund approximately $48.5 million, together with interest, associated with gas costs incurred by TGPL during the 1985-86 period.

The decision also would require TGPL to forego recovery of $26.5 million associated with gas costs incurred by TGPL during the same period and would require a refund of approximately $36.7 million of transportation revenues, together with interest from May 31, 1989, which TGPL earned in transporting certain quantities of gas during such period.

Transco President and Chief Executive Officer George S. Slocum said: ''Transco steadfastly believes that the actions taken by TGPL and its affiliates in 1985-86 did not violate either the letter or the spirit of the law or the FERC's regulations, and were entirely consistent with the Commission's policies of increasing customer access to market responsive gas supplies. Consequently, we will seek court review of the FERC's decision.''

Slocum continued, ''This decision denies TGPL the right to pass through to its customers gas costs which were found to be reasonable in earlier phases of the proceeding. Two different ALJs, in the earlier phases of the proceeding, had agreed that TGPL was legally entitled to pass these costs on to its customers. However, the effect of the FERC's decision is inconsistent with such findings.

''TGPL's actions were designed to reduce its then-escalating take- or-pay exposure resulting from the FERC's issuance of Order 380, which essentially relieved customers of their obligations to purchase pipeline gas supplies,'' Slocum noted. ''The FERC's decision gives no consideration to the significant reduction in take-or-pay costs which otherwise would have been substantially borne by TGPL's customers had TGPL not engaged in the transactions in question.

''TGPL, without enriching itself, achieved the dual purpose of substantially improving its ability to perform its commitments to its producers-suppliers during the chaotic period following Order 380 while, at the same time, providing low cost gas to its customers.

''The record evidence on these savings is clear and uncontradicted. One customer alone calculated that it had reduced its gas costs almost $20 million by participating in TGPL's programs. For the FERC now to impose a large penalty on TGPL for undertaking such actions in a period of market transition is inexplicable and indefensible.''

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Materials Inc. Friday announced the opening of its Applied Implant Technology (AIT) customer demonstration and applications lab in Santa Clara.

With a new Precision Implant 9200 installed in a Class-10 cleanroom facility, the company now has demonstration facilities in Santa Clara; Horsham England; and Narita, Japan.

The facility occupies a total of 3,300 square feet, with 600 square feet rated as Class-10 cleanroom and the remaining area as Class-1000. The lab's Precision Implant 9200 is fitted with the latest options and enhancements, including the Automated Variable Angle Implant feature, and can handle the full range of wafer sizes, including 200mm (8-inch) wafers.

''The new facility is part of our increasing commitment to the U.S. ion implant market. Our customers will now be able to utilize the Precision Implant 9200 in a Class-10 environment for joint development of customer-specific applications. We will also be using the lab for demonstrations for potential new customers,'' said John Stewart, vice president of the Applied Implant Technology organization.

Since its introduction in late 1985 as the first ''new generation'' automated implanter, the Precision Implant 9000/9200 has steadily gained acceptance and is the leader in the fully automated, high-current implant market.

Applied Materials Inc. is a global growth company based in Santa Clara, and is the leading independent supplier of wafer fabrication systems to the worldwide semiconductor industry. It is a market leader in chemical vapor deposition, dry plasma etching and silicon deposition. The company is also a leading manufacturer of ion implantation systems and recently launched its entry into the physical vapor deposition market.

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CINCINNATI (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Fifth Third Bank announced Friday the completion of its acquisition of Barney Rapp Travel, effective Sept. 15.

Barney Rapp Travel is merging with Fifth Third Travel Inc. The combined sales of Fifth Third Travel Inc. and Barney Rapp Travel exceed $52 million, resulting in one of the largest travel agencies in Greater Cincinnati.

Clement L. Buenger, chairman and chief executive officer, Fifth Third Bancorp, states: ''Fifth Third Bank is pleased that Barney Rapp Travel is part of the Fifth Third Travel team. Barney Rapp's group and leisure travel departments complement Fifth Third Travel's strong commercial travel expertise.''

Ruby Rapp, president of Barney Rapp Travel adds, ''We're excited to expand our customer base while at the same time offering our existing customers the strength and experience of Fifth Third Travel's commercial travel division.''

The Barney Rapp Travel name is being retained in conjunction with the group and leisure division and will operate as: Barney Rapp Travel, a Division of Fifth Third Travel Inc.

Fifth Third now operates nine travel offices in Greater Cincinnati, Dayton, Columbus, Piqua, Ohio and Connersville, Ind.

Fifth Third Travel Inc. is a subsidiary of Fifth Third Bank, which is an affiliate bank of Fifth Third Bancorp. Fifth Third Bancorp has $7.3 billion in assets and has 11 affiliate banks with 212 banking locations throughout Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana.

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CARLSBAD, CALIF. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Cardiotronics Systems Inc. (OTC) announced it has extended the exercise period of its Class B warrants for an additional 30 days.

Accordingly, each Class B common stock purchase warrant is exercisable at 20 cents per share until 5 p.m. mountain time on Oct. 15, 1990.

The company has recently filed an amendment to its original prospectus, relating to recent business developments. Therefore, the company has extended the redemption period for its Class C common stock purchase warrants until 5 p.m. on Oct. 15, 1990.

For further information, contact Tim J. Way, executive vice president, at 619/431-9446.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - National Medical Enterprises Inc. (NME) (NYSE/PSE/LoSE:NME) Friday announced it will redeem all extendable notes due 1999 that have not been tendered for repayment on or before Oct. 1, 1990.

There are currently $98 million in principal amount of notes outstanding. NME issued the notes in October 1984.

The company said it will redeem the notes on Oct. 15, 1990, at 100 percent of the principal amount. Interest accrued through Oct. 14, 1990, will be paid to holders of record on Sept. 30, 1990. The current interest rate is 9.4 percent and the current interest period expires Oct. 14.

Holders have the option of tendering the notes for repayment on or before Oct. 1, 1990. Notes so tendered will be repurchased on Oct. 15, 1990, at 100 percent of the principal amount plus accrued interest through Oct. 14, 1990.

The option of tendering for repayment arises when a new interest period and rate for the notes is established. Under the terms of the notes NME is required to establish a new interest period and rate for the period beginning Oct. 15, 1990, although all notes will be tendered or redeemed. NME has set a rate of 8.65 percent for the five-year period beginning Oct. 15, 1990.

NME noted that official notices of redemption and of the resetting of the interest rate and right to tender have been mailed to all holders of record.

The trustee for the notes is The Bank of New York. The addresses for tendering for repayment and redemption are included in the official notices.

National Medical Enterprises, one of the nation's largest health care services companies, owns, operates and manages acute, psychiatric and physical rehabilitation hospitals and substance abuse treatment centers throughout the United States and internationally.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - TVN Entertainment Corp.'s launch of its Satellite Movie Rental service is set for Friday when it uplinks 10

pay-per-view movies on AT&T's Telstar 303 satellite.

TVN is the first DBS service to offer 10 pay-per-view channels, each featuring one of Hollywood's top 10 movies.

Highlighting TVN's opening lineup are Academny Award winners ''Born on the Fourth of July'' and ''My Left Foot.'' Also included in the initial cinematic package are Warner Bros.' ''Hard to Kill'' and ''Men Don't Leave,'' Paramount's ''Internal Affairs'' and ''Flashback,'' Touchstone/Disney's ''Blaze,'' Columbia's ''Revenge,'' Universal's ''Tremors,'' and ''Ski Patrol'' from Epic.

TVN will operate its 10 channel movie service, implementing its state-of-the-art ordering and authorization system which utilizes AT&T's Automatic Number Identification (ANI) technology.

TVN also announced that it will begin taking subscription orders next month for its service that includes a package of basic and premium services. ''We have completed negotiations for the four initial cable programming services which will anchor TVN's monthly subscription package,'' said Stuart Levin, TVN's president and chief executive officer. Documents are currently being signed and TVN will then announce its opening slate of services.

As soon as TVN's subscription programming package is announced, TVN will be taking orders from subscribers. TVN has already received more than 60,000 calls for subscription information at its AT&T Transtech facility.

TVN's electronic in-home video rental service will be initially targeted at America's 3 million home satellite dish owners. TVN's films will be transmitted from T303 transponders 1-9 and 20, in scrambled format, using TVN's proprietary D-Code encryption system. TVN will also continue transmitting its 24-hour unscrambled promotional channel on T303, transponder 24.

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PUEBLO, CO (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - CF&I Steel Corp. (NASDAQ:CFIP) announced Friday that it will be unable to make a $12.3 million payment to its pension trust fund.

This payment was to be made on Sept. 15, 1990. CF&I Steel, as was noted in the 1989 annual report, has been discussing its underfunded pension plan liability with the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. (PBGC) for some time.

Also CF&I has held discussions with the United Steelworkers of America in order to explore various alternatives to the company's pension funding problems. CF&I is also seeking an investor or investment group to supply necessary capital to upgrade production facilities.

Founded in 1872, CF&I is currently the nation's largest producer of railroad rails and the only manufacturer of seamless oil country pipe west of the Mississippi. The company also produces wire, rod and rolled products. CF&I is headquartered in Pueblo.

CONTACT: CF&I Steel Corp., Pueblo
Mike Kraska, 719/561-7271.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Fred C. Wendorf has been named director of federal affairs and manager of the new Washington office of Central and South West Services Inc., a subsidiary of Central and South West Corp. (NYSE:CSR).

Wendorf had been head of Wendorf and Associates Inc. since 1988. He worked primarily as a consultant and Washington representative for Central and South West Services, Oklahoma Gas and Electric Co., SCANA Corp. and other clients.

For the previous 10 years, Wendorf was a management consultant and lobbyist in energy-related fields. Earlier, he was a legislative assistant for U.S. Sen. James Sasser of Tennessee and an administrative assistant for Texas Rep. John Bryant.

Wendorf studied public administration during two years of graduate work at Southern Methodist University and holds a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Denver.

He reports to Thomas M. Hagan, vice president of governmental affairs for Central and South West Services.

Central and South West Services Inc. provides support services to Central and South West Corp. and its subsidiaries. Central and South West is a Dallas-based public utility holding company that owns four electric operating companies that serve parts of Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas. It also owns an Oklahoma intrastate natural-gas pipeline company.

CONTACT: Central and South West Services Inc., Dallas
Gerald R. Hunter, 214/754-1165

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - International Microelectronic Products Inc. (NASDAQ:IMPX) Friday reported that George Gray has resigned as an employee and chairman of the company's board of directors to pursue other interests.

Gray will continue to serve as a member of the board.

International Microelectronic Products Inc. designs and manufactures application-specific integrated circuits and application-specific standard products. The company uses its proprietary cell-based design methods and CMOS design process technologies to supply value-added mixed analog and digital and complex digital chips to customers, primarily in the computer and communications markets.

CONTACT: International Microelectronic Products Inc., San Jose
Charles S. Isherwood, 408/432-9100
by Silverman, Heller Associates, Los Angeles
Eugene G. Heller, 213/208-2550

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DENVER (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Bayly Corp. reported a net loss of $4,219,000 for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 which ended July 31.

This represents a $3,245,000 change from the $974,000 loss experienced in the same quarter of fiscal 1989. The change is largely attributable to a decrease in net sales and gross margins of $7,893,000 and $3,490,000, respectively.

Gross margins for the third quarters of fiscal 1990 and fiscal 1989 were 10 percent and 23 percent, respectively. Although gross margins were considerably lower for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 when compared to the same quarter of fiscal 1989, the gross margin achieved in the first nine months of fiscal 1990 of 26.5 percent is comparable to the 26.8 percent achieved for the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

Net sales decreased by $7,893,000 from the third quarter of fiscal 1989 to the third quarter of fiscal 1990. The decrease was primarily the result of reduced sales of Op and private-label products of $3,340,000 and $4,602,000, respectively.

Cancellations of orders by major customers and delays in deliveries from contracted sources affected the company's ability to achieve expected sales levels. Also, a general softening of the retail market negatively impacted both Op and private-label net sales. The company's backlog of unshipped orders as of the end of the third quarter of fiscal 1990 is down $9.2 million (56 percent) from the same time during fiscal 1989.

The reduction is primarily in the Op product line ($5.1 million) but private-label product orders are also lower ($3.2 million). The softening of the retail market is causing customers to place orders much nearer to the delivery date than in past years.

Also, due to the soft retail market, major producers who have used Bayly as a source for overflow production for their own product lines during past summers have had excess capacity themselves and, therefore, have not placed work with the company.

Administrative, selling, and distribution expenses remained under tight control and at fairly constant levels during the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 1990 compared to the same periods of fiscal 1989. Interest expense decreased $296,000 and $414,000 from fiscal 1989 to fiscal 1990 for the quarter and nine months, respectively.

Headquartered in Denver, Bayly Corp. (NASDAQ:BAYL) designs, manufactures and sells young men's wear under license from Ocean Pacific (Op) Sunwear Ltd., men's and boys' sportswear under the nationally known brand name of O'Neill, as well as private-label apparel.

Bayly's customers include major department and specialty stores for its branded products and mass merchandisers and other retailers for its private-label apparel.

CONTACT: Bayly Corp., Denver
David Houseman, 303/773-3850.

-30- 3005
#90257b0226 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

DENVER (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Homefree Village Resorts Inc. has announced the re-election by shareholders of the present board of directors for another term, at its annual meeting held yesterday (9/13/90) in Denver.

Re-elected were Craig M. Bollman Jr., president, Homefree Village Resorts Inc.; Phyllis A. Bollman; W. Phillip Marcum, Boettcher & Co.; Michael T. Oliver, PRA Securities Advisors L.P. and Anthony B. Petrelli, Neidiger Tucker Bruner Inc.

Re-elected as Homefree's officers for another term were Craig M. Bollman Jr., president; B.J. Sullivan, senior vice president; Sheridan L. Ellis, treasurer and Bruce E. Haun, corporate secretary. The shareholders also voted to retain Deliotte & Touche as auditors.

Homefree is a Denver-based developer and operator of themed, entertainment-oriented communities for the active, over 50 age group.

CONTACT: Homefree Village Resorts Inc., Denver
Bruce E. Haun, 303/573-7110.

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - American Savings Bank is launching its most extensive sales campaign ever, which will reward customers with free or discounted travel tickets to Europe, Mexico, the United States and Hawaii.

Continental Airlines is American Savings' partner in the travel campaign and is supplying tickets to all destinations it serves.

The new campaign, which runs from Sept. 17 to Dec. 15, will be supported by an extensive multifaceted advertising campaign including prime-time television commercials, radio and print.

The television spots are a romantic fantasy with a silhouetted couple dancing to the song ''Dancing the Continental'' against a backdrop of Big Ben, the Eiffel Tower, Fount Fuji and the Statue of Liberty.

American Savings' three- or six-month option adjustable rate mortgage (ARM) loan awards two free round-trip tickets to anywhere in the United States, Hawaii or Mexico. The offer is available for purchases or refinances with a minimum loan amount of $50,000.

Customers who open a six-month CD with a minimum deposit of $20,000 in new money earn a free round-trip companion ticket to France, England, Japan, Hawaii or to 87 cities in the contiguous United States.

A new six-month $10,000 CD nets the customer a 75 percent discount on a companion ticket. A minimum deposit of $2,500 will earn a customer a 50 percent discount on a round-trip companion ticket.

A $20,000 tax-deferred annuity, purchased through ASB Financial Services, gives a 75 percent companion ticket discount, and a $10,000 annuity brings a bonus of a 50 percent companion ticket discount.

Money market checking accounts or American Savings Bank VISA Gold or Classic cards also offer travel bonuses with discounts from $25 to $100 on round-trip tickets to any of Continental's 87 U.S. destinations.

Residential and income property loan applications must be received by Dec. 15 and funded by Jan. 18, 1991. Tickets are valid for round-trip travel from Sept. 18 to Sept. 1, 1991.

CONTACT: American Savings Bank, Irvine
Dianne Nelson, 714/252-4262

Richard Guiss, 714/252-4210.

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#90257b0234 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire
BEAUMONT, TX (SEPT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Gulf States Utilities Co. Friday withdrew its temporary rate request.

A Public Utility Commission of Texas examiners' order provides for a resumption of hearings in the company's permanent rate proceeding based on a Supreme Court of Texas decision on Wednesday.

GSU filed a motion with the PUCT in July for a temporary rate increase because of the long delay in the rate case filed in March 1989. Wednesday's Texas Supreme Court ruling prohibits the PUCT from considering the prudence of River Bend construction costs in the suspended case. The commission can continue hearings into other phases of the case, company officials explained.

Under the November 1989 Examiners' Order No. 47, hearings into Docket 8702 -- the case GSU filed in March 1989 -- will begin about Oct. 12. A hearing into GSU's temporary rate request was scheduled for Oct. 9.

In a letter to the PUCT filing clerk, the company withdrew the temporary request and asked that all related hearings be canceled.

The company has said that it can justify $126 million in additional revenues to cover expenses not related to the diputed part of River Bend. Under GSU's Regional Recovery Plan, the company requested a net first-year increase of $67.5 million. The temporary rate request was for $56.5 million, an amount the PUCT staff had said the company could justify.

CONTACT: Gulf States Utilities Co., Beaumont
Susan H. Gilley, 409/839-2846.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Classified Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:CLSS), a property casualty insurance holding company, announced that its shareholders had approved on Sept. 14 the previously-announced proposal to merge Classified Financial (CFC) into CFC's majority-owned (63.1 percent) subsidiary, Rathbone, King & Seeley Inc. (RKS).

RKS, through its subsidiaries, American Star Insurance Co. and Rathbone, King & Seeley Insurance Services Inc., operates property casualty insurance and related businesses primarily in the Western states.

RKS stock will remain unchanged in the merger, and shareholders of CFC will

receive their pro rata shares of CFC's net cash and of the common stock of RKS held by CFC.

As a result of the merger, RKS common stock will become registered under Section 12(g) of the Securies Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

The merger is expected to be completed on Sept. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Classified Financial Corp., San Francisco
Furman K. Stanley Jr., 415/989-6521

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#90257b0254 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN MATEO, CA (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN) announced Friday a 10-cent quarterly cash dividend, payable on Oct. 12, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 28, 1990.

This dividend is equivalent to the dividend paid for the quarter ended June 30 1990.

Franklin Resources' primary business is the 56-member Franklin Group of Funds with approximately $44 billion in assets owned by over 1.8 million shareholders. The company is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, Calif. 94404.

CONTACT: Franklin Resources Inc., San Mateo
Susan McMullen, 415/378-4508

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DALLAS (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - BANK ONE, TEXAS Friday assumed all the deposits and certain other liabilities and purchased certain assets of Capitol City Federal Savings Association of Austin, announced Harvey R. Mitchell, chairman and chief executive officer of BANK ONE, TEXAS, and William J. Renfro chief executive officer of BANK ONE's Austin office.

Capitol City Federal Savings, with $250 million in deposits at June 30, 1990, was closed Friday by the Office of Thrift Supervision, which appointed the Resolution Trust Corp. as receiver. The main office is located at 919 Congress.

The eight offices of Capitol City Federal Savings will be open Monday during their normal hours doing business as usual, with no interruption of services for customers.

Mitchell noted that the Capitol City Federal Savings acquisition is a part of

BANK ONE's ongoing strategy of expanding its presence in the Texas marketplace and enhancing its convenience and service for customers.

Renfro said: ''This expansion is not only an outstanding opportunity for BANK ONE, but also a new opportunity for the customers to bank with one of the nation's strongest financial institutions. We welcome our new valued customers with our pledge to provide quality service and innovative products.''

Customers of Capitol City Federal Savings should continue to use their checks and make deposits and loan payments as before. All deposits were transferred intact to BANK ONE and remain insured to the applicable limits by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. Savings Association Insurance Fund.

BANK ONE, TEXAS' previous acquisitions this year include Bright Banc Savings Association (Dallas); American Bank of Arlington; The Everman National Bank (Fort Worth); Trinity National Bank (Dallas); First State Federal Savings Association (San Antonio); United Bank of Waco; and Northside Bank (San Antonio).

BANK ONE, TEXAS, NA had assets of $13.1 billion, including $2.1 billion of assets in the special collection pool, and deposits of $10.9 billion at June 30, 1990. BANK ONE, TEXAS has more than 110 offices statewide and is an affiliate of BANC ONE CORPORATION, which reported assets of $27.9 billion and common equity capital of $2.69 billion at June 30, 1990.

CONTACT: BANK ONE, TEXAS, Dallas
George A. McCane, 214/290-5177

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PORTLAND, OR (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific First Financial Corp. today announced it has purchased certain Oregon assets and liabilities of Williamsburg Federal Savings and Loan Association from the Resolution Trust Corp. for $3.28 million.

Williamsburg Savings operates 12 branch locations in Oregon primarily in the mid-Willamette Valley and has 22,000 deposit accounts. As of June 30, 1990, deposits in Oregon totaled $120.7 million. The company has been in federal conservatorship since Jan. 26, 1990.

''This latest expansion underscores the financial soundness of Pacific First Bank,'' said Dr. Jerry E. Pohlman, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Pacific First. ''Our strong financial position allows us to continue our growth, while enabling us to serve additional customers from Williamsburg in the same tradition we've served Oregonians since 1936.''

Pacific First Financial is part of the Royal Trustco Ltd. group of financial

service companies with a network of operations throughout Canada, the western United States, and in the United Kingdom, Europe, the Caribbean and Asia. Royal Trust has assets under administration of $140 billion (CDN).

Pacific First Financial, parent to Pacific First Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, has 180 locations in Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada and Utah. Pacific First meets current financial requirements mandated under the Financial Institution Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989. With combined assets of $7.5 billion, Pacific First is the largest savings institution headquartered in the Pacific Northwest.

CONTACT: Pacific First Financial, Seattle
Michael K. Rogers, 206/224-3420

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#90257b0343 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Commercial International Corp. Friday reported a consolidated net loss of $3,047,345, or 74 cents per share, for its fiscal year ended May 31.

Commercial International Corp.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Audited)
Fiscal year ended May 31

	1990	1989
Revenues	$40,099,810	$62,035,914
Loss before income taxes	(3,044,945)	(4,146,054)
Income taxes (credit)	2,400	(479,422)
Net loss	$(3,047,345)	$(3,666,632)
Net loss per share	(74 cents)	(89 cents)

Commercial International Corp. conducts its business through its wholly owned subsidiary, West Coast Growers and Packers Inc., a processor and international seller of raisins.

The decrease in revenues is primarily attributable to the sale of the company's produce and specialty food commodity businesses, which were sold in the second and third quarters of fiscal 1990.

CONTACT: Commercial International Corp., Los Angeles
Sid Schuman Jr., 213/477-0466

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - RCM TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (NASDAQ Symbol: RCMT, RCMTZ; BSE Symbol: RMT) Friday announced operating results for the third

quarter and nine months ended July 31.

For the third quarter ended July 31, revenues increased 16 percent to $7,082,052 from $6,059,769 reported for the third quarter ended July 31, 1989. Net loss for the quarter ended July 31, was $88,598, or $(0.00) per share, compared to a net loss of $149,913, or $(0.01) per share, reported in the same period a year ago.

Revenues for the nine months ended July 31, increased 23 percent to $20,060,521 from $16,334,905 for the nine months ended July 31, 1989. Net loss for the nine months ended July 31, was $444,544, or $(0.03) per share, compared to a net loss of $574,741, or $(0.04) per share, for the nine months ended July 31, 1989.

Commenting on the results, Robert Sackett, chairman and CEO of RCM TECHNOLOGIES, INC. stated, ''The company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Intertec Design, Inc. continued to show solid progress for the third quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1990.

Sackett continued, ''We anticipate that revenues for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1990 will exceed $28 million, as compared to revenues for fiscal 1989 of $22.7 million. In addition, we expect that the loss for the year will be less than $400,000, almost half of last year's loss of $774,166, or $0.06 per share.''

Sackett concluded, ''We anticipate that RCM will become profitable in fiscal 1991, as we continue to market RCM's System 99 for reducing hazardous emissions from coal-burning plants. In addition, we expect that the System 99 could potentially generate annual revenues of $600 to $700 million within 10 years.''

RCM TECHNOLOGIES, INC. is involved in the development and marketing of its patented ''System 99'' which is designed to control hazardous emissions from smoke stacks, a major cause of acid rain. RCM also provides professional engineering and technical services, through 13 offices nationwide, to major corporations in aerospace, chemical and industrial manufacturing.

CONTACT: RCM Technologies Inc., Los Angeles
Robert Sackett, 213/657-4670
or

Keith Lippert Associates Inc.,New York
Jeffrey Volk, 212/838-3777

-30- 2477

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PROVO, UTAH (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Earl K. Cook, president and chief executive officer of ATNN Inc. (NASDAQ:ATNN) announced Friday that Gary G. Cochran and John B. Knight have been appointed to the ATNN board of directors.

Cook stated: ''Gary G. Cochran is president and chairman of the board of directors of ABS Inc. and IDMI International Inc., direct marketers of products and seminars, and John B. Knight is president and chairman of the board of directors of Sunshine Western Inc., a petroleum supplier and waste recycling transporter in the western United States.

''These are companies which we have entered into agreements to acquire in the near future. Gary and John are both very successful businessmen and we consider ourselves fortunate to have them on our board of directors.''

ATNN Inc. also announced it has recently submitted a plan to the NASD which it expects will resolve the company's NASD capital and surplus deficiency previously reported. The plan includes the receipt by the company of $546,250 resulting from the following: (1) A debtor of the company, whose major stockholder is Cook, chairman and chief executive officer of ATNN Inc., converted $440,000 of indebtedness owed to it by the company into 293,333 shares of the company's common stock; (2) one of the companies, ABS Inc., which ATNN has entered into an agreement to acquire, purchased 66,667 shares for $100,000; and (3) a holder of options exercised the options for $6,250.

CONTACT: ATNN Inc., Scottsdale, Ariz.
Wilma Meador, 602/998-9059

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LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE)--Megamation Inc. (NASDAQ Symbols: MEGI, MEGIW) Friday announced financial results for the year ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported net sales for the year of $2,298,254 as compared to net sales of $768,469 reported in the prior fiscal year. The net loss for the year was $1,067,464, or $(0.13) per share, based on 8,236,000 shares outstanding, compared to a net loss of $572,634, or $(0.10) per share, based on 5,656,000 shares outstanding, reported in fiscal 1989.

The increase in shares outstanding during fiscal 1990 is due to the issuance of 3,450,000 new shares in September-October 1989.

The company noted that it is hopeful that it will realize repeat orders from its expanded customer base as well as attract additional customers in the coming year.

MEGAMATION INC. manufactures, markets and sells automated multiple head robotic assembly systems known as the MEGA 1 System. The company designed and developed the MEGA 1 System primarily for small parts assembly and handling applications in the electronics, light manufacturing, automobile and other industries.

MEGAMATION INC.
Consolidated Income Statement
Year Ended

	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net sales	$2,298,254	$ 768,469
Cost of sales	1,700,593	585,818
Gross profit	597,661	182,651
Selling, general and administrative expenses	1,385,415	508,797
Research and development costs	172,945	133,914
Interest expense	209,154	121,555
Interest income	(102,389)	(8,981)
	1,665,125	755,285
Net income (loss)	(1,067,464)	(572,634)
Net income (loss) per share(a)	$ (0.13)	$ (0.10)
Average shares outstanding	8,236,000	5,656,000

(a) Per share results reflect the issuance of a total of 3,450,000 new shares in September-October 1989.

CONTACT: Megamation Inc., Lawrenceville
Fred Jacobs, 609/799-4473
by
Keith Lippert & Associates Inc., New York
Jeffrey Volk, 212/838-3777

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TUSTIN, CA (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Trimedyne Inc. (NASDAQ:TMED) Friday announced it has completed the sale of its non-medical laser-manufacturing subsidiary in Florida to a venture-capital group based in Orange County for $450,000.

Trimedyne received an immediate payment of $300,000 and a note for $150,000, with the proceeds to be received over a period of 24 months beginning in October 1990.

The company recorded a $650,000 provision for the loss on the sale of this subsidiary in its third quarter ending June 30, 1990. This writedown was a non-cash charge, and the company does not expect to recognize any additional loss on the transaction.

The company further reported it has negotiated an early termination of the lease for its 70,000-square-foot office and manufacturing facility in Tustin, which relieves the company of a lease obligation of approximately $6.3 million over an eight-year period.

The company will relocate at the end of 1990 to approximately 48,000 square feet of office and manufacturing space in nearby Irvine at a significant cost savings.

Trimedyne's president and chief executive officer, Howard K. Cooper, said: ''The sale of our non-medical laser subsidiary is consistent with our plans to divest facilities outside our core medical business. The sale of this subsidiary, which has been losing money, will help to reduce our expenses. We are presently planning for an additional divestiture and instituting further cost-cutting measures.''

Cooper further stated: ''We are significantly reducing operating costs on our core medical business. These cost reductions will become effective with the beginning of our next fiscal year, Oct. 1, 1990, and will not delay the development of our new Holmium ('Cold') laser system for treating cardiovascular disease.''

Trimedyne is the leading manufacturer of proprietary and patented lasers and laser catheters for removing blockages from blood vessels as an alternative or an adjunct to bypass surgery and balloon angioplasty.

CONTACT: Trimedyne Inc., Tustin
Richard Demmer, 714/259-1988

-30- 2278
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SEATTLE (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Jay Jacobs Inc. (NASDAQ: JAYJ) Friday reported unaudited sales and earnings for its quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Net sales for the second quarter of 1990 were $30,642,000, an increase of 21 percent over sales of $25,300,000 in the second quarter of 1989. Net earnings from continuing operations for the second quarter of 1990 were $899,000, or 15 cents per share, up 32 percent from net earnings of $683,000 or 12 cents per share, in the second quarter of 1989.

As previously announced, the company discontinued its wholesale division during the first quarter of the current fiscal year as it had generally been unprofitable for the past three years. During 1989, the wholesale division reported a profit in the second quarter of $793,000, its only profitable quarter in fiscal 1989. Because the wholesale division had no operations during the second quarter of 1990, net income decreased by 39 percent.

Douglas A. Swerland, president of Jay Jacobs Inc., said: ''We are pleased with the second quarter results in view of today's difficult retailing environment. During the second quarter of 1990, eight new stores were opened and one store was closed, bringing the total number of stores in operation at Aug. 31, 1990, to 186. The company plans to open approximately 15 stores during the balance of the fiscal year.''

Jay Jacobs sells fashion forward merchandise to young women and men through its 186 apparel stores located principally in regional shopping malls in 11 Western states and three Midwestern states.

CONTACT: Jay Jacobs Inc., Seattle
Craig Bohman, 206/622-5400

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PHOENIX (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Gregory J. Petras, president and chief executive officer of National Health Enhancement Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:NHES) Friday announced financial results for the three and six months ended July 31, 1990.

Petras reported that the company had its most profitable quarter and six months in the company's history.

Petras stated that the company has experienced improved operating performance during its second fiscal quarter due to the success of its two new products, The Professionals and Centramax, and as a result of the sale of its Riskcan health risk appraisal, a minor product line, for $150,000 to a major publishing company.

Net revenues for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 were $1,047,270 compared to $929,717 for the corresponding quarter last year. The company's net income for the three months ended July 31, 1990, was $192,181, or approximately 12 cents a share, compared to net income of $29,699, or approximately 2 cents a share, for the same period last fiscal year.

For the six month period ended July 31, 1990, net revenues increased approximately 8 percent, to $1,942,218 compared to $1,788,380 for the same period last year. Net income was $63,611 or approximately 4 cents a share, compared to net income of $40,340 or approximately $.025 a share, for the same six month period of last fiscal year.

Petras also reported that the company obtained $125,000 in capital from an independent group of investors in a recently closed loan transaction. Petras indicated that the improved operating results and additional capital have improved the company's financial position.

National Health Enhancement Systems Inc. is a developer and distributor of marketing systems for the healthcare industry.

National Health Enhancement Systems Inc.
Statement of Operations

	Three Months Ended July 31		Six Months Ended July 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$1,047,270	$ 929,717	$1,942,218	$1,788,380
Net income	$ 192,181	$ 29,699	$ 63,611	$ 40,340
Net income per share (rounded to nearest 1/2 cent)	12 cents	2 cents	4 cents	$ .025
Weighted average shares outstanding	1,641,208	1,635,390	1,639,666	1,635,390

CONTACT: National Health Enhancement Systems Inc., Phoenix
Jeffrey T. Zywicki, 602/230-7575

-30- 2720
#90257b0638 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

LOUISVILLE, KY. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Vencor Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:VCOR) Friday announced that it has signed an agreement to lease and operate the 72-bed Atlanta Hospital in Atlanta.

The acquisition represents the eleventh facility in Vencor's network of hospitals and expands the company's operations into an eighth state.

W. Bruce Lunsford, chief executive officer, noted that this expansion marks the third hospital Vencor has acquired thus far this year. Lunsford said: ''The facility, to be operated as Vencor Hospital Atlanta, brings the total number of licensed beds in Vencor's network of hospitals to 720, representing a 71 percent increase since the start of 1990. Like our other hospitals, Vencor Hospital Atlanta will specialize in providing long-term hospital care to patients suffering from catastrophic illnesses.''

Lunsford remarked: ''This acquisition follows our general strategy of focusing Vencor's expansion on the nation's largest markets. Each of our long-term hospitals is located in one of the top 40 markets in the U.S. We are pleased with this opportunity to bring Vencor's long-term hospital services into the greater Atlanta area and are confident about the demand there for quality, long-term healthcare in an acute-care environment.''

Vencor specializes in providing long-term hospital care for patients who suffer from catastrophic illness. The company has 11 hospitals located in Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana and Texas.

CONTACT: Vencor Inc., Louisville
W. Earl Reed III, 502/569-7300

-30- 1767
#90257b0641 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

HINTON, Va. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - WLR Foods, Inc. (NASDAQ:WLRF) announced Friday that it will market all of its poultry products for distribution in the United States under a single brand name, Wampler-LongacreR effective January 1991.

The Company's chicken products have been sold primarily under the RockinghamR brand name, while most of its turkey products are offered under the Wampler-LongacreR label. As a result of the brand consolidation, WLR Foods becomes one of the few companies to distribute both chicken and turkey products under one brand name.

Effective September 11, 1990, the Company announced that its Rockingham Poultry subsidiary was renamed Wampler-Longacre Chicken, Inc. Its turkey subsidiary Wampler-Longacre was renamed Wampler-Longacre Turkey, Inc.

James L. Keeler, President and Chief Executive Officer, commented: ''These actions were taken after thorough study of our markets and will enable us to promote one strong regional poultry brand throughout our entire marketing area. In addition, the economies of scale we can achieve will allow us to be more aggressive in our promotional efforts.''

As a result of the brand consolidation, RockinghamR product labels will undergo a series of changes over the next few months. Extensive consumer communication will familiarize customers with the transition.

''The consumer will still see the same fresh chicken products long associated with the RockinghamR brand in retail store meat cases throughout our market area,'' Mr. Keeler noted. ''They will simply carry a new label. We will continue our rigorous quality and customer service standards through the product line. And, of course, we will make the transition to the new labels and truck signage with plenty of support behind the brand.''

Mr. Keeler concluded: ''There are important strengths and synergies in offering our broad line of more than 250 fresh and value-added chicken and turkey products to customers under the Wampler-LongacreR label. We have taken an important step forward with our brand decision.''

An exception will be made in the export market and for certain products sold to the military. The RockinghamR brand is well-established and popular in export markets, especially in Hong Kong, China, Singapore and Japan, and products sold there will continue to carry the RockinghamR label.

WLR Foods is the eighteenth largest chicken producer and ninth largest turkey producer in the United States, with processing and further processing plants in Virginia, West Virginia and Pennsylvania. Its primary market area extends from Massachusetts to North Carolina.

WLR Foods, Inc. is engaged in fully integrated turkey and chicken production, processing, further processing and marketing. The Company is the eighth largest poultry processor/further processor in the United States.

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BURBANK, Calif. (SEPT.14) BUSINESS WIRE - CADAM, an IBM company, Friday announced MICRO CADAM 3D, the first integrated 3D software package providing a full range of 3D capabilities including wireframe, NURBS surfaces, solids and parametric design capabilities in a single module under DOS.

''MICRO CADAM 3D is a powerful engineering tool that allows companies to test the integrity of a product design at the conceptual stage in the development process,'' said Frank Puhl, president of CADAM. ''PC CAD users can now move from design concept to completion with fewer physical prototypes in an extremely cost-effective way.''

MICRO CADAM 3D is the newest product in the MICRO CADAM software family. The MICRO CADAM product line provides a wide range of design and drafting features in a flexible, easy-to-use system. The 3D package is used with MICRO CADAM PLUS, a design tool that harnesses the power and speed of the 80386 chip to bring high productivity 2D capabilities to the PC.

''MICRO CADAM 3D's features are designed and optimized to ensure high user productivity in real-world design and product environments,'' said David Brazier, director of strategic marketing. ''The product also protects the user's 2D expertise and investment by providing the ability to create 3D models from 2D data,'' said Brazier.

MICRO CADAM 3D integrates the functions for working with wireframe, surfaces and solids in a single module. By integrating all 3D capabilities into one system, users eliminate the need for switching between different software products or user interfaces.

MICRO CADAM 3D can quickly display fully shaded, high definition images of both surfaces and solids. ''Dynamic Rendering'' is achieved because the product's performance is high enough to generate high resolution pictures without having to employ separate rendering applications.

In addition, the product provides three color shading options - including Gouraud shading - which match speed, resolution and hardware. Key elements of the 3D display technology are provided by HOOPS graphics subsystem.

MICRO CADAM 3D's unique parametric design of solids allows users to quickly develop solid models by parametrizing the distances between pairs of planar features and later changing the distances by simply entering new values. The product's ability to manipulate solid objects eliminates the need to re-construct the object numerous times.

MICRO CADAM 3D implements Non-Uniform Relational B-Spline (NURBS) surfaces which can be input in a variety of methods. NURBS technology is a highly flexible architecture for MICRO CADAM 3D, as well as a foundation for future product developments.

MICRO CADAM 3D can organize individual design components into an assembly so users can separate the items and quickly produce definitive ''exploded'' views. Such views may take hours to produce manually.

To further increase productivity, users can review simultaneously multiple orientations of a single model, such as top, front, isometric or true views, within an arrangement of viewports. Special pop-up viewports can also be moved or sized dynamically.

As a 3D extension to MICRO CADAM's powerful ''detail'' feature, MICRO CADAM 3D lets users create, use and save 3D ''details'' of a drawing. Copies of these collections of 3D geometry and text can even be associative with the master version, immediately reflecting any changes to the master.

The MICRO CADAM user interface provides instant access to several powerful design functions including 2D/3D toggle; pan/zoom/rotate functions using keystrokes or menus; element and volume analysis; and ''screen plot'' which lets users file the current screen contents for later plotting via HP-GL or PostScript.

Additional features include 2D/3D point markers, 3D text and Dimensions, 3D Library creation and user On Line ''Help.''

MICRO CADAM 3D runs in conjunction with MICRO CADAM PLUS and will be available in November 1990.

With over 200,000 users operating 75,000 computer terminals in production worldwide, CADAM is a leader in the computer-aided design and manufacturing software arena. CADAM produces CAD/CAM/CAE software for mechanical, electrical, and AEC applications operations on mainframes, workstations and personal computers.

In January of 1990, IBM acquired CADAM as part of its expanding CIM solution

strategy. IBM has been a strategic partner of CADAM since 1978. CADAM is now a wholly owned subsidiary of International Business Machines Corp. (IBM).

CADAM's corporate headquarters is located at 1935 N. Buena Vista St., Burbank, Calif., 91504.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Adobe Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ADBE) announced its fiscal 1990 third quarter operating results.

Revenue for the third quarter ended Aug. 31 was $42,832,000, up 43 percent from the $30,027,000 reported in the third quarter of fiscal 1989. Net income was $10,004,000 compared to $9,104,000 reported in the third quarter fiscal 1989. Earnings per common share were 45 cents for the quarter, compared to 41 cents reported in the third quarter of fiscal 1989.

Revenue for the nine months ended Aug. 31 was $115,360,000, a 38 percent increase from the $83,655,000 reported for the like period in fiscal 1989. Net income was $28,029,000, compared to $23,665,000 for the like nine months of fiscal 1989, an increase of 18 percent.

Earnings per common share were $1.28 for the nine months of 1990, a 19 percent increase over the $1.08 reported for the first nine months of 1989.

Apple Computer remained the company's largest customer accounting for approximately 21 percent of Adobe's total revenue for the quarter and 22 percent for the nine months. Royalty revenue totaled $28,152,000, an increase of 32 percent compared to $21,297,000 in the third quarter of fiscal 1989.

The company received a royalty payment from an existing customer of approximately $3 million for Display PostScript software to upgrade the customer's installed base of workstations. For the nine months ended Aug. 31, royalty revenue was $73,422,000, a 27 percent increase over the $57,857,000 reported for the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

Application product revenue of $12,500,000 increased 65 percent over the $7,576,000 reported in the third quarter fiscal 1989. Application product

revenue for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 was $35,694,000, a 63 percent increase over the $21,856,000 for the like period last year.

During the quarter, the company continued to enhance its position in the PC market with initial shipments of Adobe's PostScript cartridge for the H-P Laserjet II series printers, as well as the announcement of Adobe Type Manager for Windows 3.0. On the Macintosh platform, the company also announced Adobe Illustrator 3.0, a significant new revision to its award winning graphics application software.

Adobe Type Manager 2.0 software also began shipping in August giving Macintosh users significant enhancements in performance and quality.

In early September, Adobe announced a letter of intent for a new and expanded technology licensing agreement with Apple Computer, which calls for the two companies to work closer together to provide new products based on Adobe's PostScript software and printer technology developed by Apple Computer. In July, Apple began shipping a new PostScript printer, the Personal LaserWriter NT.

Adobe's board of directors declared a cash dividend for the third quarter of 6 cents per common share for shareholders of record as of Sept. 20, payable on Oct. 4.

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Adobe Systems Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(unaudited)
(In thousands except per share data)

	Quarter ended		Nine months ended	
	8/31/90	9/01/89	8/31/90	9/01/89
Revenue	$42,832	$30,027	$115,360	$83,655
Costs and expenses:				
Direct costs	7,761	4,276	19,972	13,320
Research, development and contract costs	5,635	3,493	13,810	9,331
Sales, marketing and customer support	10,265	6,702	27,747	17,937
General and administrative	3,731	2,441	9,979	6,777
Total costs and expenses	27,392	16,912	71,508	47,365
Operating income	15,440	13,115	43,852	36,290
Interest income	960	896	2,727	2,400
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Income before income taxes	16,400	14,011	46,579	38,690
Income tax expense	6,396	4,907	18,550	15,025

Net income	$10,004	$9,104	$28,029	$23,665
Net income per common share	45 cents	41 cents	$1.28	$1.08
Shares used in per share calculation	22,061	21,948	21,908	21,887

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(In thousands)

	Unaudited 8/31/90	Audited 12/01/89
Assets		
Cash and short-term investments	$53,069	$49,666
Receivables	32,476	24,019
Inventory	1,648	1,507
Deferred income taxes	1,388	2,117
Property and equipment (net)	12,301	9,557
Typeface production costs (net)	4,435	3,818
Other assets	23,477	3,455
Total assets	$128,794	$94,139
Liabilities and shareholders' equity		
Accrued expenses	$16,860	$15,981
Income taxes payable	4,496	5,854
Other payables	4,169	4,561
Deferred revenue	5,905	7,668
Capital lease obligations, less current portion	350	496
Deferred income taxes	934	754
Common stock	13,192	232
Retained earnings	82,888	58,593
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	$128,794	$94,139

Note to Editors: PostScript, Display PostScript, Adobe Illustrator and Adobe Type Manager are registered trademarks of Adobe Systems Inc. All other brand or product names are trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective holders.

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SANGER, CA (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Riverbend International Corp. (ASE:RIV) a vertically integrated fresh food and food products company Friday reported earnings for the third quarter of 1990.

Revenues for the quarter ended July 31 were $21,879,000, compared to $26,368,000 for the like period 1989. Net income for the third period was

$484,000, or 8 cents per share, compared to $1,661,000, or 29 cents per share, for the like quarter last year.

For the nine months ended July 31, revenues were $57,211,000, compared to $60,132,000 for the like period in 1989. Net income for the current nine months was $792,000, or 14 cents per share, compared to $2,007,000, or 36 cents per share, for the like period last year.

Headquartered near Fresno, Calif., Riverbend is a vertically integrated food products company that produces, handles and markets fresh fruits, processed fruit products and processed tomatoes.

The company markets its products directly to national and larger regional supermarket chains, distributors and bulk users through a worldwide network consisting of its own sales personnel as well as independent agents and distributors.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - AM International Inc. Friday reported results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended July 31.

For the fourth quarter, the company had revenues of $238.2 million, up 3.9 percent from the $229.3 million in the fourth quarter of last year. Net income to common shareholders was $6.9 million, or 15 cents per share, vs. $11.7 million, or 23 cents per share, last year. The fourth quarter includes the results of AM Wohlenberg, acquired in September 1989.

For the fiscal year, revenues rose 3.1 percent to $876.5 million compared to $850.6 million in fiscal 1989. The net loss to common shareholders was ($48.4) million, or ($1.00) per share, compared to net income to common shareholders of $24.1 million, or 47 cents per share, in the prior year.

The year-end loss includes a non-recurring $40 million charge associated with implementation of the company's strategic plans for the 1990's. The charge, which was recorded in the third quarter, covers planned plant consolidations, workforce restructurings and withdrawal from non-core or unprofitable business lines.

AM International, with world headquarters in Chicago, sells and services a wide range of design, display, reproduction and finishing products and supplies to the worldwide graphics industry.

The company conducts its business through three divisions, 17 subsidiaries and

a dealer organization located in over 100 countries. AM International's annual revenues are about $900 million. AM International's common and preferred shares are traded on the New York, Pacific and Midwest Stock Exchanges under the ticker symbol ''AM.'' The company's warrants are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol ''AML.WS.''

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NASHVILLE, TN (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Dana C. McLendon Jr. has resigned from First American Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:FATN) and will leave the company during the first part of November.

''I am planning to leave First American at some point in the next few weeks,'' McLendon said. ''After a tremendous amount of personal relection, I have come to the decision that, as First American Corp. moves into the future, the chairman of the company must have the flexibility to hand pick his management team. I have made this decision to leave in order to give the orgranization's management that flexibility as they work to restore the corporation's level of profitability.

''My parting will not be abrupt. I intend to remain on the job over the next few weeks, and will function with the same levels of authority and responsibility I have held.

''I am fully supportive of the actions now underway to return First American Corp. to an appropriate level of profitability, and I am most appreciative of Chairman Jim Smith's cooperation and willingness to work with me through my decision.

''First American Corp. is a strong banking organization, and one with which I am proud to have shared an association.''

Commenting on McLendon's decision, Chairman James F. Smith Jr., said: ''Dana McLendon has been a valued member of the First American team and has a strong record of accomplishments with the company. His decision to leave First American has been made in the interest of opening up options for himself, as well as the bank. He will not be leaving immediately, since we intend to secure his assistance with certain bank business during the month of October.

''I want to stress that the relationship First American and Dana McLendon have shared has been totally satisfactory, and I fully respect the decision he has made.

''We express to him our thanks and wish him every success in his future

endeavors,'' Smith concluded.

Since joining First American in 1988, McLendon has served as president and chief executive officer of First American National Bank of Nashville and regional president-Middle Tennessee, as well as president of the Specialized Banking Group of First American National Bank.

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FEDERAL WAY, WASH. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Nuclear Systems Inc. announced that its Nuclear Packaging subsidiary has been awarded Engineering Services Support contracts by Westinghouse Electric Corp., Columbia, S.C., and Battelle Pacific Northwest Laboratories, Richland, Wash.

Under these contracts, which have a total initial value of approximately $200,000, Nuclear Packaging will provide engineering support services for evaluation and analysis of several radioactive material transportation packages.

Nuclear Packaging engineers and designs the containers for the transport and handling of radioactive and other hazardous materials.

Pacific Nuclear Systems Inc. and its subsidiary companies (Nutech Inc.; NuPac Services Inc.; Nuclear Packaging Inc.; PN Services Inc.; and Alaron Corp.) provide a wide range of services to the nuclear industry. The company, founded in 1983 and headquartered in Federal Way, is traded in the NASDAQ - National Market System under the symbol PACN.

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NEWPORT, KY. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - After nearly 30 months of engineering construction, and installation, Newport Steel Corp. celebrated the start up of its new continuous slab caster with the casting of the first slab on Thursday, Sept. 6, 1990.

The company's new reheat furnance was also completed in the first week of September, and is reheating slabs purchased on the outside market to

supplement the start up of the caster. The caster and reheat furnance project is the single largest capital investment made by Newport in its history, at a cost of $45 million.

Clifford R. Borland, president and chief executive officer of NS Group Inc. (NYSE:NSS), the parent of Newport Steel, noted ''We couldn't be more pleased with the outcome of the project. The caster was completed on budget and start up actually occurred a couple of weeks ahead of schedule. We now look forward to a speedy and successful break-in period of the new equipment.''

Newport's plans call for casting one to two heats per day for the first couple weeks of operation to allow for proper testing of the machinery and integrity of the product. The company anticipates producing approximately 40 percent continuosly cast material by December of this year and 100 percent by June of 1991.

Mannesmann Demag, designer and manufacturer of the caster equipment, will have personnel on site through December to assist company personnel with the operation and analysis of the equipment.

NS Group Inc. is a holding company that owns four operating subsidiaries: Newport Steel Corp., a tubular steel producer; Kentucky Electrical Steel Corp. a producer of steel bars; Erlanger Tubular Corp., a processor of tubular products; and Imperial Adhesives Inc., an adhesives manufacturer.

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WAYNE, NJ (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Camp Corp. and Chase Packaging Corp. jointly announced that Union Camp will acquire all the common and preferred stock of Chase Packaging for approximately $86 million.

Commenting on the transaction, Gene Cartledge, chairman and chief executive officer of Union Camp, said, ''Chase Packaging is an excellent fit. It will significantly expand Union Camp's bag business by increasing our participation in a high-value-added segment of that business, multiwall and specialty bags. Chase also extends our product line and geographic reach.''

In his own comments on the acquisition, William F. Luddington, president and chief executive officer of Chase, said, ''Since 1847, we at Chase have worked hard to continuously improve for the benefit of our customers. We have developed a reputation for quality products and dependability. We are pleased to join forces with a company that shares our emphasis on those values. I will continue to be active in the business following the merger as

will most of our key operating people.''

Under the terms of the merger agreement which has been signed, Chase common stockholders may choose Union Camp common stock or cash in exchange for their shares. Francis H. Luddington, sole trustee of family trusts that together owns 55 percent of Chase, said that the trusts fully support the transaction and would elect to take Union Camp stock.

Discussing the benefits of the transaction, Cartledge explained that the product lines of Chase and Union Camp ideally complement each other. ''There is almost no overlap. Union Camp is a major manufacturer of bags for consumer products such as pet food and charcoal, while Chase is a major bag supplier to the seed, feed and agricultural chemical industry, and a leader in bags for microwavable products. Chase is also a major producer of high performance polyethylene industrial packaging plastic shipping sacks.''

''Through Chase we will have the capability to produce coated and laminated packaging products. And it gives us West Coast bag manufacturing facilities '' Cartledge said. ''There are also synergies that will allow us to substantially lower costs and improve profitability.''

Union Camp earned $299 million on sales of $2.8 billion in 1989. Chase Packaging earned $6.9 million on sales of $183 million in 1989.

The merger is subject to regulatory approvals, formal approval by Chase shareholders and procedures for the exercise by Chase directors and the aforementioned trustee of their fiduciary duties. It is expected that a Chase shareholders meeting will be held during the fourth quarter and that the merger will be effective shortly after that meeting.

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DUBLIN, OHIO (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - ACCEL International Corp. announced Friday that its board of directors declared a 5 cents cash dividend.

The dividend was declared on Sept. 11, and is payable on Nov. 1, to shareholders of record on Oct. 1.

R. Max Williamson, chairman of the board and president, commented that this dividend was warranted in light of the record revenues and earnings for the second quarter, and was consistent with the policy adopted by the board in June of this year to pay a 20 cents annual dividend.

ACCEL International Corp. is a Dublin based insurance holding company that provides specialty insurance products and services through its life and casualty subsidiaires, operating throughout the United States.

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FAIRFIELD, N.J. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Ramada Assured Income Associates, a Delaware limited partnership (RAIA), announced Friday that it had been advised that Prime Motor Inns Inc. is currently negotiating with certain of its creditors to restructure its indebtedness and, if such negotiations are unsuccessful, it may file for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code.

Prime's subsidiaries, RAM Investors Inc. and TexInns Inc. are, as a result of Prime's acquisition of Ramada, the general partner of RAIA and the manager of RAIA's properties, respectively.

If such a filing is made, it may result in RAM Investors Inc. ceasing to make certain required capital contributions and TexInns Inc. ceasing to make working capital loans to RAIA, which could have a material adverse effect on RAIA and would result in lesser distributions to its unitholders.

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MADRID, SPAIN (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Telefonica, the Spanish telecommunications authority, and AT&T announced Friday an agreement to expand cooperation between the two companies, including participation of Telefonica in AT&T Network Systems International, headquartered in the Netherlands.

The agreement was reached by AT&T Chairman Robert E. Allen and Telefonica Chairman Candido Velazquez during Mr. Allen's visit to participate in the opening of a new development and manufacturing center for AT&T Network Systems Espana, at Tres Cantos.

While some details of the agreement are still to be worked out, Telefonica

will exchange its shares in AT&T Microelectronica de Espana, a joint venture with AT&T for the manufacture of microchips, for a 6-percent equity share in AT&T Network Systems International. (AT&T nows holds 59 percent of AT&T NSI, STET 20 percent, Philips 15 percent, and Telefonica 6 percent.)

''We are delighted to have Telefonica's participation and counsel,'' said Mr. Allen, ''which will enable us to broaden our European and global perspectives.''

Mr. Velazquez called the agreement an important step forward in Telefonica's internationalization effort. He said the agreement would ''enable our company to participate directly in a European-oriented telecommunications supplier, in which other European partners are already participating.''

AT&T-NSI is AT&T's management company for the development, manufacture and marketing of public telecommunications equipment in Europe, and selected markets outside of Europe. It has subsidiaries in six European countries and employs more than 5,000 persons. The company is majority owned by AT&T Network Systems, the world's largest telecommunications equipment manufacturer and supplier.

Together, Telefonica and AT&T will explore global needs for new services and service improvements, and cooperate in the area of network planning. Both companies will explore commercial opportunities in international markets of mutual interest.

In a related development, AT&T Network Systems Espana, a joint venture company of AT&T Network Systems International (51 percent) and Amper (49 percent), today inaugurated a new facility for development and manufacture of public telecommunications equipment in Tres Cantos.

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PORT WASHINGTON, NY (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Compuflight Inc. (NASDAQ:CMFL) supplier of computerized flight planning services to airlines, commercial carriers and corporate aircraft operators worldwide, Friday reported moderate revenue and income increases during the company's fiscal third quarter and nine months ended July 31.

For the recent quarter, net income amounted to $56,136, down 17 percent from $67,628 reported for the comparable three months of 1989. Revenue from service fees for the period was $380,462 as compared with $352,868 for the three

months ended July 31, 1989, an increase of 7.8 percent. Total revenue (service fees and other income, primarily interest income) was $389,271 in the recent quarter, up 7.5 percent from $362,277 in the prior-year period.

For the nine months ended July 31, 1990 net income totalled $175,106, up 13.1 percent from $154,829 for the corresponding 1989 period. Service fees were at $1,095,735, up 0.9 percent from the $1,085,916 reported for the comparable nine months of 1989. Revenue (service fees and other income, primarily interest income) was at $1,123,141, as opposed to $1,110,868 in the prior-year nine month period, an increase of 1.1 percent. -0- T

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BROOKLYN, N.Y. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Administrative Law Judge presiding over the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's hearing, to view certain market and rate issues regarding the Iroquois natural gas pipeline, has issued 'Findings of Fact'' which emphatically state:

o The Iroquois pipeline is needed to meet the energy needs of the Northeast;

o No U.S. gas supplies would be displaced by the operation of Iroquois;

o The Iroquois growth rate projection and capital and rate structures are reasonable.

The FERC will rule on the merits of the Iroquois pipeline, after review of the Judges ''Findings of Fact'' and the parties briefs on market and rate issues. The FERC certificate order is expected no later than November 1990.

Robert B. Catell, president and chief operating officer of Brooklyn Union, said that ''the Findings of Fact reaffirms so many of the positive aspects of the Iroquois pipeline.''

He points out that the Iroquois pipeline would displace 30 million barrels of imported oil annually, reduce sulfur emissions by more than 75,000 tons a year and provide critically needed pipeline capacity to meet the growing clean-energy needs of the Northeast.

''When the gas from Iroquois begins flowing in the winter of 1991 - '92, our customers and environment will be the winners,'' Catell said.

Through is subsidiary, North East Transmission Co. Inc., Brooklyn Union has the largest distribution company ownership in the Iroquois project.

The methane recovery plant at Fresh Kills, Staten Island, the world's largest landfill, resumed production this month, after a six-month shutdown due to an operating review by New York City. Methane Development Corp., a company subsidiary, is a 50 percent owner of the plant, which began operating in 1982 and can produce up to 5 million cubic feet of gas daily, or enough energy to heat approximately 10,000 homes annually.

Under the more restrictive operating regulations set forth by the City, gas production from the landfill could be reduced, thereby affecting the profitability of plant operations. The company is concerned about this new, stringent regulations and will be examining its option pending an evaluation of production results in the near future.

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SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - In view of the widespread media reporting about Channel 10, and speculation concerning the viability of Northern Star Holdings Ltd. and the possible impact upon the banking syndicate of Citibank, Commonwealth Bank, and Westpac, the managing director of Westpac Banking Corp. (NYSE: WBK), Stuart Fowler, on behalf of the three banks concerned, makes the following announcement to clarify the issues involved.

-- ''The Board of Northern Star, following a meeting this afternoon, has requested the appointment of a Receiver, and Westpac Banking Corp., acting on behalf of the three banks involved, has appointed Mr. Millar and Mr. Dunn of Ernst & Young as Receivers and Managers.

-- The syndicate banks believe there is a substantial value associated with the license to operate a TV station.

-- Subject to the Receivers' investigations and plans for recovery, the banking syndicate proposes to continue to provide financial support to the Receivers to effect the viable recovery of Channel 10.

''The syndicate banks are committed to two fundamental principles of policy which we have conveyed to the Receivers.

''Firstly, the Ten Network will continue to operate and continue to provide an adequate and comprehensive service.

''Secondly, there will be no question of the Proprietors of competing Networks having any interest in, or ongoing role with respect to, the Ten Network.''

Westpac Banking Corp. is an international financial services group headquartered in Australia, with operations extending offshore to 29 countries. Westpac ranks among the top 65 banks worldwide in terms of assets. In its home markets of Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and the South West Pacific, Westpac offers a full range of banking and financial services. Specialized services are provided through Westpac offices in Asia, Europe and the United States.

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SHREVEPORT, LA & MINNEAPOLIS, MN (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Arkla Inc. (NYSE:ALG) and Diversified Energies Inc., jointly announced Friday that the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvement Act of 1976 relating to the merger of Arkla and DEI has expired without a request for additional information.

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WORTHINGTON, OH (SEPT. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The Liqui-Box Corp. (NASDAQ:LIQB) board of directors has announced a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per common share.

This cash dividend is payable on Oct. 15, to holders of record on Oct. 1.

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MOONACHIE, N.J. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - AEP Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:AEPI)

reports sales for the quarter ended July 31, 1990 of 28,904,000, a decline of $244,000 or 1 percent from the $29,148,000 reported for the same quarter of 1989.

The decrease in net sales was the result of a 14 percent decrease in average sales prices combined with a 17 percent increase in volume sold. Sales of specialty products increased 15 percent over the same quarter last year.

Net income for the quarter was $317,000, or 7 cents per share as compared to $1,337,000 or 28 cents per share for the corresponding quarter in 1989. The weighted average number of shares outstanding for the 1990 third quarter was 4,767,486, compared to 4,724,756 for the same quarter in 1989.

Sales for the nine months ended July 31, 1990 totaled $83,171,000, a 7 percent decrease from the $89,620,000 reported in the 1989 period.

Net income for the current nine month period was $2,796,000, or 59 cents per share based on 4,759,064 average number of shares outstanding, compared to $3,542,000, or 77 cents per share based on 4,621,742 shares outstanding for the period in 1989, a 23 percent decrease.

AEP Industries Inc. manufactures, markets and distributes an extensive range of polyethylene film products nationally, which includes shrink bundle film, agricultural row covers, mulch films and stretch films.

The company also offers a complete line of converted products and film for the converting industry.

AEP operates four manufacturing plants located in Moonachie; Waxahachie, Texas; Matthews, N.C.; and Los Angeles.

AEP Industries Inc.
Financial Highlights

Third Quarter Ended July 31	1990	1989
Sales	$ 28,904,000	$ 29,148,000
Net income	$ 317,000	$ 1,337,000
Average shares	4,767,486	4,724,756(a)
Shares earnings	$ .07	.28

Nine Months Ended July 31	1990	1989
Sales	$ 83,717,000	$ 89,620,000
Net income	$ 2,796,000	$ 3,542,000
Average shares	4,759,064	4,621,742(a)
Shares earnings	$ .59	$ .77

(a) Adjusted to reflect the effect of a 3 for 2 stock split effective Dec. 7, 1989.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Friday announced a five-cent decrease in the domestic spot selling price of electrolytic copper.

Its new price, which is effective immediately, is $1.37 per pound for cathodes on a delivered basis.

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PARAMUS, NJ (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Drivefone Inc. (NASDAQ:DFON) announced that the company has submitted applications with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) requesting licensing to develop Personal Communications Networks in the cities of New York, Philadelphia and Boston.

Michael A. Pfeffer, president and chief executive officer of Drivefone, stated ''Industry experts expect that Personal Communications Networks (PCNs) will be the next wave in wireless communications, and Drivefone is among the first few companies in the country to apply for licensing of this exciting new technology.''

''PCNs offer solutions to many of the problems and limitations encountered with other forms of communication,'' Pfeffer continued. ''The smaller size of PCN handheld phones, and the smaller amount of power they need to operate, offer clear advantages over today's portable communications equipment.

''Handsets will be so small and lightweight that they can be carried in a shirt pocket and, through advance software programmed into a 'smart card,' they can incorporate variations and options not presently available in cellular equipment,'' he said.

Pfeffer explained that a ''smart card'' can be programmed with encrypted security codes and personal identification numbers. By inserting a ''smart card'' into any handset, the user will be able to access any PCN phone or terminal, whether at home or on the road.

''PCN technology will finally make it possible for a caller to communicate by virtue of his or her number, rather than being tied to a specific phone or location,'' stated Pfeffer. ''The PCN's handset screen may also access and display data and graphics, FAX messages, and large amounts of up-to-the-minute information such as stock prices,'' he said.

According to Pfeffer, PCNs will offer other advantages, as well. ''Our plan is to develop PCNs with higher transmitter density, providing for many times the number of users, simultaneous frequency usage, and the ability to jump from frequency to frequency in order to eliminate call interference.

''Yet projections are that the costs of PCN equipment and service will eventually be substantially less than current systems, and that the monthly usage cost could be about half that of cellular,'' he stated.

Drivefone is presently negotiating with suppliers of PCN equipment. Subsequent to FCC approval of the company's licenses, initial construction and testing of its PCNs is expected during 1991.

A pioneer in cellular phones since 1984, Drivefone Inc. has been ranked the nation's ninth largest cellular agent by Radio Communications Report. The company is a national distributor of cellular telephones, accessories and pagers.

Additionally, Drivefone Inc. is a national activator of cellular numbers, and manufactures and distributes the LuxCel line of transportable phones, antennas and accessories.

Headquartered in Paramus, N.J., Drivefone Inc. has branch offices in Norwalk, Conn. and Waltham, Mass.

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SEYMOUR, CT (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Summagraphics Corp. (NASDAQ:SUGR) responded to Calcomp's recently announced price reductions Friday with channel incentives and promotional programs of equivalent cost.

The marketing step was taken in response to price cutting by Calcomp Inc., a Lockheed subsidiary. These amount to 16 percent for desktop digitizers and six percent for pen plotters.

William J. Lifka, chief executive officer, stated, ''It is still too early to predict the full impact of this price reduction on second quarter and full year performance.''

''While we believe Calcomp's actions are among the least advisable they could take, we foresee an excellent opportunity for Summagraphics to increase its already dominant market share in digitizers and to greatly increase its share of the large format plotter market,'' he said.

The company's fiscal quarter ended August 31 will not be affected in any way by the new pricing structure.

Summagraphics Corp. is a leading manufacturer of computer peripheral products used principally in computer graphics, computer-aided design and other advanced applications.

Summagaphics, founded in 1972, is the pre-eminent designer, developer, and marketer of digitizers through its Summagraphics Digitizer Division, which offers brand names including SummaSketch, Bit Pad, and Microgrid.

Through its Houston Instrument Division, the company manufactures computer peripheral devices including the popular DMP 50/60 series of penplotters and the recently announced LDS 4000 wide format scanner.

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QUINCY, MA (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - (OTC-XCEL) - Charles R. Simpson Jr., president and chief executive officer of Excel Bancorp Inc., announced Friday that the board of directors declared a cash dividend of 5 cents per share on the company's common stock.

The cash dividend of 5 cents per share will be payable on Oct. 19, 1990, to stockholders of record on Oct. 5, 1990. The payment of 5 cents per share is reduced from 17 cents per share for the previous quarter.

Simpson commented, ''The board of directors feel that the company's strong capital position warrants continuation of the dividend payment; however, a reduction in the dividend payment is prudent during these uncertain times and reflective of the company's earnings performance in recent periods precipitated by the depressed state of the Massachusetts economy.''

Further, in a related matter, the board elected to reinstate its fourth stock buy-back program that was suspended on April 27, 1990. As previously announced, this program contemplates the purchase of outstanding stock from

time to time in the open market. Prior to the suspension, 129,000 shares were purchased. The stock buy-back program announced on Jan. 4, 1990, authorized the repurchase of 500,000 shares. To date, the company has repurchased 1,629,000 shares or 22.9 percent of the original 7,108,414 shares issued in September of 1986.

Excel Bancorp Inc. is the holding company for Quincy Savings Bank, a state chartered stock savings bank, headquartered in Quincy, Mass., and Lincoln Trust Co., a state chartered commercial bank, headquartered in Hingham, Mass. The subsidiaries conduct business through 17 offices located on the South Shore of Massachusetts.

Quincy Savings Bank and Lincoln Trust Co. are members of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC). Quincy is also a member of the Deposit Insurance Fund of Massachusetts (DIFM).

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MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Sept. 14, Pacific Dunlop Limited (NASDAQ:PDLPY) Friday announced a record profit of A$300.5 million after tax attributable to shareholders and before abnormals for the year ended June 30, up 14 percent on the previous year.

Earnings per share increased by 6.2 percent to 42.6 Australian cents. This gives a compound growth in earnings per share of over 15.4 percent a year for the past five years.

Operating profit before tax of A$410.4 million was 8.7 percent higher on sales of A$5 billion, an increase of 12.4 percent.

Return on average shareholders' equity was 25.6 percent and exceeds 20 percent for the fourth successive year.

Directors have declared an increased final dividend of 10.5 Australian cents per share, fully franked, making a total of 20 Australian cents per share for the full year. The dividend last year was 17 Australian cents.

Total dividend payout for the year of A$142.4 million is 23 percent higher than last year. The dividend will be paid on November 8, to shareholders registered at the close of business on October 8.

Pacific Dunlop strengthened its balance sheet in 1989/90. The continued focus on cash generation enabled the company to achieve its previously stated intention of reducing gearing.

Funds generated exceeded A$630 million before tax, compared with A$517 million in the previous year. Cash was also generated through the sale of underperforming assets and the reduction of stocks and debtors.

Gearing (net interest-bearing borrowings to shareholders' funds) declined to 46.5 percent from 61.1 percent at balance date last year, and net borrowings were A$87 millon lower. This was achieved notwithstanding the expenditure of A$311 million on new business growth during the year. This comprised A$77 million on acquisitions and A$234 million in capital expenditure, including major new production facilities for Ansell in Sri Lanka and Olex Cables in Shenzhen, China. Interest cover (EBIT/net interest) was 8.6 times.

Performance Summary

The chairman, Sir Leslie Froggatt, said the results were commendable in view of the current difficulties in the Australian economy and the uncertainty of the world economy. The results illustrated how well Pacific Dunlop was positioned in its markets.

He said the prime focus during the year was on productivity improvement and consolidating the gains of recent years. In the case of some businesses this meant altering strategic direction to meet changing market circumstances or divesting those which did not fit the company's long term requirements. This has been achieved without compromising capital needs for the future.

Commenting on the business groups, Sir Leslie said Pacific Brands was the most affected by the downturn in Australian consumer markets. However, major rationalization and restructuring have since improved economies of scale in Australia and provided greater flexibility in product sourcing. Pacific Brands has emerged a much slimmer group, with fewer profit centers and higher productivity.

Ansell maintained its world market leadership in latex and synthetic glove products despite a period of market instability which led to product oversupply and severe price competition. The market stabilized in the second half, and Ansell's plants are now operating at full capacity again. Ansell is in the process of opening a new plant in Sri Lanka, its sixth in Asia. The integration of Edmont, the industrial glove maker, has been an outstanding success.

The distribution group made good progress, consolidating the electrical businesses and integrating the Repco Australia and New Zealand operations. Slowing economic activity, however, began to affect profit margins in the second half. The Shell Shop wholesaling business, acquired during the year, is being merged with Repco and the combination is expected to produce considerable benefits over the next two years.

GNB Batteries continued the major rationalization of its United States and

Australian operations as part of a long term program to improve earnings. This has led to a more efficient manufacturing operation, but progress in the United States is being hampered by excess capacity in the automotive battery industry. Lead recycling in the United States became an increasingly important and profitable part of GNB's operations during the year. The ''dumping'' of automotive batteries in Australia adversely affected sales and profits and, if ongoing, may require dramatic rationalization of GNB's manufacturing facility in Elizabeth, South Australia.

The Industrial Foam and Fibre group achieved excellent results. Results include for the first time those of Tecbelt Pacific, a joint venture with Goodyear in steel cord conveyor belting and the Hunter Douglas plastic extrusion business in Brisbane. Foam and Fibre group results were outstanding particularly in polyurethane foam and bedding.

Olex Cables continued to improve productivity and generate strong cash flow. Olex has forged a successful partnership with Telecom Australia, winning a tender for a large telecommunications contract in Pakistan. It also won a significant underground high voltage cable contract from the State Electricity Commission of Victoria. The Olex 75 percent joint venture telecommunications cable plant in Guandong province, China, was recently commissioned and initial orders indicate production will be at a strong level.

The Medical group made a good contribution to results. Telectronics consolidated its position as a world leader in implantable heart pacemakers and defibrillators for regulating heart rhythm, and Cochlear received U.S. Food and Drug Administration approval to extend the use of its hearing implants to children aged 2-17.

South Pacific Tyres, the joint venture with Goodyear, took two significant steps towards higher productivity with the aim of achieving a world standard operation by 1992. These were the agreement with employees and unions for greatly increased utilization of productive capacity, and the commissioning of a new world standard steel truck radial tire plant at Somerton in Melbourne which will reach full capacity by late 1991.

Sir Leslie Froggatt said that although the Australian economy was going through a difficult period, Pacific Dunlop had finished the year an even leaner and more competitive company. The company's policy of maximizing offshore opportunities and focusing on international competitiveness within each business remains vital for the future.

The recent acquisition of Burton Cables and the Roberts flooring group, the offer for Vita Pacific and the commissioning of strategically located new production facilities in Asia and Australia are also part of this positioning. From this sound base, directors are confident of Pacific Dunlop's ability to perform creditably in the current difficult Australian economy and uncertain world environment.

Pacific Dunlop is a global company which manufactures and markets consumer and industrial products including batteries, footwear and apparel, tires and latex and medical products.

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FAIRFIELD, NJ (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Prime Motor Inns Inc. (NYSE:PDQ) announced Friday that it met with its secured bank group yesterday to discuss Prime's liquidity problems.

Prime asked the bank group to restructure its outstanding indebtedness to provide an additional $25 million loan, to extend the maturity date of its existing loans and to allow Prime to retain a portion of the proceeds from the sale or refinancing of certain of its assets now pledged to the bank group. While the bank group indicated it would consider extending the maturity date of the existing loans from March 1991 to July 1991 and allowing Prime to retain a portion of the proceeds from certain asset sales and refinancings, the bank group expressed reluctance to extend any additional loans.

Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, the agent for the banks, has, however, indicated that it would consider and ask the other banks to consider providing an additional loan of $25 million secured by certain designated assets upon further review of those assets by the banks. Prime stated that unless such loan and other relief was granted, it would seriously consider filing a petition for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code.

As part of its proposed restructuring, Prime announced it will suspend payment of its dividends on its Common Stock and expects that it will not make interest payments on its 7% Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2013 and 6-5/8% Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2011 while it negotiates a restructuring of that and other indebtedness.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Publishing Group Inc. (OTC:WPGI)

Friday reported sales and earnings for the second quarter and the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990.

Revenues for the second quarter and the first half of fiscal 1991 were $107.9 million and $212.1 million, respectively, compared with $102.9 million and $210.8 million for the same periods in fiscal 1990.

Net earnings for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 were $1.1 million, or 4 cents per share compared with $1.4 million, or 6 cents per share.

Net earnings for the first half of fiscal 1991 were $3.2 million or 13 cents per share compared with $5.1 million or 22 cents per share. The 4 cents per share and 13 cents per share for the current quarter and six months are after the one time charge of 3 cents per share for the costs incurred in acquiring Sight & Sound Inc. in July.

All per share figures are based upon approximately 21.1 million shares outstanding.

The acquisition of Sight & Sound Inc. is being accounted for on a pooling of interests basis and Western Publishing Group's previously reported sales and net earnings have been adjusted accordingly.

In the absence of the 3 cents per share one time charge for the costs incurred in the acquisition, earnings for the current quarter and six months would have been 7 cents and 16 cents per share.

Richard A. Bernstein, chairman and chief executive officer of Western Publishing Group Inc., said ''We are pleased with the sales increase in the quarter and six months which is due to sales increases in Western Publishing Company's core businesses as well as in its Sight & Sound Inc. subsidiary.

''The acquisition of Sight & Sound, a publisher of children's interactive electronic story books, toys and games that feature sound effects, music and voice, was accounted for as a pooling of interests. The one time costs associated with the acquisition, approximately $600,000, were expensed in this quarter and reduced earnings for the quarter and six months by $.03 a share.''

Bernstein added that''Our Penn Corporation subsidiary experienced sales increases as a result of the continued success of our Beach and Contempo paper table products.''

Bernstein said, ''Our business continues its long term trend of greater sales and profits in the second half of the year. The acquisition of Sight & Sound will continue that trend. We are, concerned,'' he said, ''about the recession which appears to be affecting the retail trade's inventory commitment for the fourth quarter holdiay period. In spite of this, however, we are confident that sales and profits for the second half will be ahead of last year.''

Through its Western Publishing Co. subsidiary, Western Publishing Group Inc. is the nation's largest creator, publisher, printer and marketer of story books and other activity books and products for children.

These products are sold principally under the GOLDEN and GOLDEN BOOK names. The company is a major producer and marketer of puzzles, games, children's video and special interest books for adults.

Western Publishing Co. also ranks among the largest commercial printers in the United States, offering a wide range of printing, graphic and creative services to customers in industry and government.

Western Publishing Group Inc., through the Beach Products and Advertising Specialty Divisions of its subsidiary, Penn Corp., is engaged in the manufacture and sale of disposable paper tableware and party goods, stationery and advertising specialties and promotional business products.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - G-III Apparel Group, Ltd. (GIII:NASDAQ) today announced that two separate purported class actions against the Company have been commenced in Federal Court in New York.

The actions allege violations of certain securities laws in connection with certain statements made by the Company in SEC filings and press releases.

The Company denies the allegations and intends to vigorously defend these actions.

G-III Apparel Group designs, manufactures and markets an extensive range of leather apparel including coats, jackets, pants, skirts and other sportswear items. The products are sold under the names G-III, Siena and Cayenne, as well as private labels.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of General Cinema Corp. (NYSE: GCN) Friday voted to increase the quarterly cash dividend on the common stock from 11 cents per share to 12 cents per share, an increase of 9.1 percent.

The board also voted to increase the quarterly cash dividend on the company's series A stock from 11.75 cents per share to 12.75 cents per share, and to increase the quarterly cash dividend on the company's class B stock from 9.9 cents per share to 10.8 cents per share. These cash dividends are payable on Oct. 31, 1990 to stockholders of record on Oct. 15, 1990.

This is the 22nd consecutive year in which the board has increased the cash payment to shareholders and is the 121st consecutive quarter in which the company has paid cash dividends.

General Cinema Corp. operates one of the largest theatre circuits in the United States. The company also is a leading specialty retailer through The Neiman Marcus Group, whose operations include Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman and Contempo Casuals.

General Cinema owns nearly 17 percent of the ordinary shares of Cadbury Schweppes p.l.c., an international marketer of soft drinks and confectionery. The company holds approximately $1.1 billion in cash and short-term investments.

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HOLLYWOOD, FL (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Suncoast Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ:SCSL) reported Friday and unaudited net loss for its fiscal year ended June 30 of $3.3 million or $1.80 per share.

Included in the fiscal year 1990 net loss is an after-tax adjustment of $4.4 million, or $2.36 per share, stemming from unexpected prepayment experience related to mortgage loan servicing assets created from loans sold in several prior years.

Excluding the adjustment, the Association's net income for fiscal year 1990 was $1.03 million or 56 cents per share. For the 1989 fiscal year, Suncoast reported net income of $2.0 million or $1.05 per share.

The adjustment was recorded entirely in the fourth quarter, resulting in a reported loss of $4.2 million or $2.25 per share for the quarter ended June 30. For the like period last year Suncoast reported net income of $669,414 or 35 cents per share.

Albert J. Finch, chairman of the board of Suncoast said, ''It is important for our shareholders to note that this loss is the result of economic circumstances which are not expected to recur. This adjustment does not impair the safety and soundness of the Association and Suncoast continues to meet all of the current regulatory capital requirements.''

Albert J. Finch also said, ''The primary reason for the adjustment is a changed perception and treatment of mortgage banking related assets by thrift regulators and accountants.

''We have always been able to generate income from the creation or purchase and later sale of mortgage servicing rights, but FIRREA has effectively prevented that by creating a glut of servicing for sale and by taking thrifts out of the market as buyers.

''The effect of this has been a 25 percent reduction in the market price of servicing. The Association has previously recognized as income the estimated present value of excess servicing fees created when mortgages were sold.

''As a result of dropping interest rates during the past winter and spring, combined with appreciation in some housing markets, increased prepayments have shortened the estimated life of a portion of the Association's servicing assets.

''Our servicing has a tremendous economic value to the Association. We believe that this adjustment to the carrying value will result in increased future earnings for the Association by reducing the amount of amortization on the remaining premium.''

Assets at June 30 were $267.0 million, as compared to $293.9 million a year ago. Deposits were $243.4 million, compared to $253.5 million last June. Total mortgage loans serviced at June 30 amounted to $2.83 billion. Shareholder's equity of $11.6 million on 1.85 million shares is equivalent to $6.27 per share.

Suncoast Savings and Loan Association is one of the largest mortgage servicers in the southeastern United States. The company and its subsidiaries are engaged in purchasing and originating mortgage loans for resale into the secondary market.

Suncoast operates five full-service branches in Hollywood, Hallandale, Pembroke Pines, Deerfield Beach and Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, Fla. The Association also operates loan production offices in Hollywood, Boca Raton, Orlando and Tampa, Fla. and Laguna Hills and Walnut Creek, Calif.

Suncoast common stock trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''SCSL.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Global Government Plus Fund Inc. September 1990 Monthly Update:

Investment Adviser Commentary:

The board of directors of The Global Government Plus Fund Inc. declared on Sept. 12 a regular quarterly distribution of 20 cents per share. The distribution is payable on Oct. 12 to shareholders of record on Sept. 28. The Fund's portfolio return is generally comprised of interest income on securities and any gains or losses from currency or capital price movements. As a result of currency losses that have reduced the amount of investment income available for distribution a portion of the current distribution is being paid from the Fund's paid-in-capital. While the final determination of the tax status of the full year's distributions will not be made until after Dec. 31, cumulative currency losses have lessened recently due to the decline of the U.S. dollar. Based on current market levels, it is anticipated that approximately 25 cents per share of the year's, 80 cents per share of distributions will be derived from the Fund's paid-in-capital.

The board of directors of the Fund will review the Fund's dividend policy on a quarterly basis and will consider the appropriate level of the Fund's quarterly distribution at its next regularly scheduled meeting in December, based on the then current market conditions.

Portfolio Databank (As of 8/31/90):
Average Bond Quality: AAA/Government

Country	Percent of Portfolio	Percent Including Currency Hedges
United States	44.1 pct.	38.4 pct.
Canada	11.7	4.4
Japan	10.5	20.4
United Kingdom	7.1	7.1
Netherlands	11.4	11.4
France	7.8	7.8
Denmark	1.5	1.5
Switzerland	0.3	3.4
ECU	1.0	1.0
Ireland	3.2	3.2
Norway	1.4	1.4
Total	100.0 pct	100.0 pct.

Performance Update

	Aug. 31	June 29	July 31
NAV Per share	$ 7.95	$ 7.85	$ 8.07
Price per share	$ 7.00	$ 6.88	$ 7.25

General overview

The Global Government Plus Fund Inc. is a closed-end investment company invested in debt securities issued or guaranteed by governments, semi-governmental entities, government agencies, supranational entities, and other governmental entities in the United States and in 20 other major countries and denominated in the currencies of such countries.

The Fund's manager is Prudential Mutual Fund Management Inc. and investment advisory services are provided by The Prudential Investment Corp. Additional information on the Fund's assets and performance is contained in the annual report for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989. For further information on the Fund, call 212/214-3334.

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RICHMOND, VA. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - James River Corp. (NYSE: JR) announced Friday that the board of directors of its European affiliates, JA/MONT N.V. and JA/MONT-NOKIA N.V., approved an aggressive program for building new tissue production capacity in the highly competitive European market.

The board approved a $12 million project to completely rebuild the tissue machine at the Allo Mill of Sarrio Tisu S.A., its Spanish subsidiary. This project will increase the capacity by about 5,000 metric tons and equip the 5 meter machine with the latest technology for improving quality and reducing cost.

During 1991, construction is planned to begin on a new tissue machine in Iberia. The exact size and location are still being evaluated.

At the Gien Mill of Kaysersberg, the largest French subsidiary, a new 25,000 ton tissue machine is now in the process of starting up. This machine is the first to commercialize a new technology from James River Corp. aimed at the production of higher quality, lower cost tissue products.

In addition, work is planned to begin on a new 50,000 ton machine at Kaysersberg's Hondouville Mill in Normandy later this year or early next year.

In Turkey, the Ipek Kagit subsidiary is in the middle of constructing a new

25,000 ton machine at its Karamursel facility.

JA/MONT N.V. and JA/MONT-NOKIA N.V. are joint venture companies of James River Corp. of the U.S., Montedison (Gruppo Ferruzzi) of Italy, and Nokia Corporation of Finland.

The ventures have consolidated sales of approximately $1.7 billion of tissue and related hygienic products with operations in France, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Belgium, Netherlands, Spain, Italy, Greece, Turkey, and Finland.

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ALBANY, N.Y. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - National Savings Bank of Albany (NASDAQ:NSBA) announced Friday that the bank's board of directors, at its regular meeting held on Sept. 11, 1990, amended Article I of the bank's by-laws to provide procedures to be followed in nominating persons for election as directors and presenting new business to be voted on by shareholders at annual meetings of shareholders.

The procedures, which are utilized by many publicly traded companies, are designed to ensure that all shareholders receive sufficient informaiton and have ample opportunity to consider matters to be placed before the shareholders for action.

As amended, the by-laws provide generally that a shareholder wishing to nominate an individual (or individuals) for election to the board at an annual meeting of sharehodlers must provide certain information regarding himself and his nominee(s) to the SEcretary of the bank not less than 90 nor more than 120 days prior to the anniversary date of the bank's proxy statement release to shareholders in connection with the previous year's annual meeting of shareholders. A shareholder wishing to present new business to be voted on by shareholders at an annual meeting of shareholders must provide certain information regarding himself and his proposal to the Secretary of the bank not less than 90 days prior to the anniversary date of the bank's proxy statement release to shareholders in connection with the previous year's annual meeting of shareholders. Under this amendment, shareholder nominations and proposals to be considered at the bank's 1991 annual meeting of shareholders must be received by the secretary of the bank no later than Oct. 15, 1990.

National SAvings Bank of Albany is a New York chartered stock savings bank headquartered in Albany, N.Y. with total assets of approxiamtely $548 million at June 30, 1990.

CONTACT: National Savings Bank of Albany, Albany
Russell G. Melton, 518/472-6848

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#90257b0789 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

COLUMBUS, OH (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Max & Erma's Restaurants Inc. (NASDAQ:MAXE) announced Friday that it's board has authorized the purchase from time to time through March 15, 1991, for its treasury of up to $1 million worth of its common stock by means of open market purchases or through privately negotiated transactions.

Todd B. Barnum, chairman and chief executive officer, said Max & Erma's board of directors authorized the purchase of the securities because ''the company's shares are undervalued and consequently represent an excellent investment for the company.''

Max & Erma's presently has 3.2 million shares outstanding. Over the past 52 weeks, Max & Erma's stock has traded as high as 8-1/2 to a recent low of 3-7/8 and closed Thursday, Sept. 13, 1990 at 4 percent.

CONTACT: Max & Erma's Restaurants Inc., Columbus
William C. Niegsch Jr., 614/258-5000

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#90257b0794 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

HARRISON, AR (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Arkansas Freightways Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:AFWY) Friday announced that it has been named a ''1990 Quality Carrier'' by Distribution magazine for the fifth consecutive year.

The magazine conducted a nationwide poll of shippers and asked them to rate carriers they use regularly according to four key measurements of quality: service, convenience, price and sales effectiveness.

Distribution's Quest For Quality program recognized those transportation companies that:

-- Identify shipper needs and develop innovative services to meet them.

-- Perform those services reliably and consistently.

-- Offer those services at reasonable prices.

-- Make doing business with them convenient.

-- Sell their service only after learning about the shipper's business.

President and Chief Executive Officer of Arkansas Freightways, Sheridan Garrison, commented, ''What makes the award so gratifying is that it is from the view of our customers.''

Arkansas Freightways Corp. is a scheduled, for hire, common and contract motor carrier transporting primarily less-than-truckload shipments of general commodities, serving all points in Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, western Tennessee, and the Chicago metropolitan area.

Arkansas Freightways Corp. operates a fleet of more than 4,000 pieces of revenue equipment from 100 terminals.

CONTACT: Arkansas Freightways, Harrison
James R. Dodd, 501/741-9000

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#90257b0799 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

LOUISVILLE, KY (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Kentucky Medical Insurance Co. (NASDAQ/NMS:KYMDA) said Friday it knows of no undisclosed developments within the company relating to the recent activity in the company's stock.

Carl L. Wedekind Jr., president and chief executive officer, said: ''There are no unreported developments within the company which would account for the significant drop in our stock's price over the past few days. During the third quarter, Kentucky Medical continues to make progress consistent with our reported results for the first six months.''

Wedekind also said Kentucky Medical has received a number of reports that a large holder of its stock, who is not related to KMIC or any of its principals is being forced to sell in order to meet margin requirements. ''This action appears to be placing a great deal of downward pressure on our stock at this time,'' Wedekind said.

Kentucky Medical Insurance Co. is the major medical liability insurance carrier for Kentucky's doctors. The company insures hospitals, healthcare facilities, dentists, oral surgeons and other healthcare professionals. It also offers investment, leasing and other insurance services to the Kentucky medical community.

CONTACT: Kentucky Medical Insurance Co., Louisville
Thomas W. Mueller, 502/459-3400

-30- 1508

#90257b0800 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

GAINESVILLE, FLA. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Quadrex Corp. (NASDAQ:QUAD) of Gainesville, Fla. initially closed its private financial offering Friday after successfully exceeding its goal of raising $1.5 million, it was announced Friday.

While the initial goal has been met, the offering is due to remain open until the end of September to allow more time for participation. For the initial phase, the company received subscriptions in excess of $1.5 million from approximately 15 existing stockholders and other qualified investors.

Funds raised from the offering will be used by Quadrex for working capital, general corporate purposes, and for investing in related business activities.

Shares offered in this transaction were not registered under the Securities Act of 1933 or any applicable state securities laws, but are subject to restrictions in accordance with the provisions of the Private Placement Memorandum, related documents, and applicable securities laws.

Quadrex Corp. provides technical support, waste disposal, recycling and decontamination services to utilitites, industrial companies, institutions and government agencies. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol QUAD.

CONTACT: Quadrex Corp., Gainesville
Charles Scheer, 904/373-6066

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TERRE HAUTE, IND. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Valley Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ:VAFB), headquartered in Terre Haute, released its earnings for the year ended June 30, 1990.

Edward L. ''Jack'' Goebel, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of the bank, announced net income of $714,416 for the year ended June 30, 1990. These results compare very favorably with the $80,324 net income reported for the year ended June 30, 1989. Similarly, net income per share increased to 68 cents from 8 cents per share in the previous year.

Net income for the fourth quarter of FY '90 was reported at $203,344 compared with a loss of $520,247 for the corresponding period of 1989. Net income per share in the fourth quarter was 19 cents compared to a negative 49 cents per share for the fourth quarter in 1989.

''Management is quite pleased with the results of certain strategies formulated and set in place in April, 1989. These programs continue to yield positive results as demonstrated by the growth in earnings this fiscal year,''

said Goebel.

''Earnings over the past twelve months are particularly satisfying when one considers that there has been a significant reduction in the dividends paid the bank on stock held in the Federal Home Loan Bank in Indianapolis and there has simultaneously been a substantial increase in the assessments to the bank by the Office of Thrift Supervision.

''Despite these constraints, and coupled with the negative publicity that pervades the industry, Valley Federal has managed to improve earnings by approximately nine times over the previos year. In addition, we are pleased to report that positive operating results have been achieved while measurably decreasing the sensitivity of the bank's net interest margin to changes in interest rates.

Valley Federal is a federally chartered stock savings bank founded in 1890, which conducts its business from its main office in Terre Haute, and 11 full-service offices. Valley Federal's stock is traded on the NASDAQ system under the symbol ''VAFB.''

CONTACT: Valley Federal Savings Bank, Terre Haute
Lynn E. McCool, 812/232-0311

-30- 2355
#90257b0814 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

HACKENSACK, NJ (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Alpine Group, Inc. (ASE:AGI) Friday reported financial results for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990.

For the quarter ended July 31, 1990, the Company reported a net loss of $1,212,000, or $.21 per share, compared with a net loss of $126,000, or $.04 per share for the same period in the prior fiscal year.

The current quarter included a loss from continuing operations of $928,000, or $.16 per share, compared to a loss of $1,232,000, or $.29 per share, for the prior comparable quarter. The prior comparable period loss of $126,000 included income from discontinued operations of $700,000, or $.16 per share and an extraordinary gain on extinguishment of debt of $406,000, or $.09 per share.

The average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the quarter ended July 31, 1990 was 5,844,596, compared to 4,294,911 for the quarter ended July 31, 1989, such increase being due principally to shares issued in the October 1989 Exchange Offer.

Steven S. Elbaum, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Alpine, stated that ''The determination to sell General Plasma has resulted in that unit being characterized as a discontinued operation. As a result, continuing operations

reflect a much diminished operating base and a disproportionately high corporate and other expense structure.

''We believe that this will be temporary as the Company transitions itself from a highly leveraged diversified business with a strong research and development commitment in its PolyVision flat panel display technology program to a focused information display business predicated upon building growth in information display operations and commercialization of our PolyVision technology.''

General Plasma achieved record revenues and operating profits for the first quarter. The Company has received numerous expressions of interest from potential purchasers and expects to conclude a transaction in the near future.

Elbaum further stated that pending a sale of General Plasma and retirement of a significant amount of its outstanding indebtedness with the proceeds of such sale, future results would continue to be impacted by relatively high interest expense, including $1.5 million annually of non-cash accretion and deferred financing charges.

The Company's financial emphasis will be on operating and cash flow improvements, while at the same time progressing its PolyVision flat panel display technology through research, development and commercialization.

The Alpine Group, Inc. is a holding company with continuing operations in information display related businesses. Alpine is developing PolyVision, a proprietary flat panel display technology, for commercial applications in a wide variety of markets.

Flat panel display technologies are utilized for the electronic display of information and graphics on screens and other display media including video displays, outdoor and indoor signage, point of purchase displays, public information, instrumentation and other media.

Alpine's information display activities also include the manufacture and sale of menuboard display systems and components to fast food, convenience store and restaurant markets through its Posterloid Corporation subsidiary and programmable controllers and other specialized products used in multi-image audio visual presentations through its Audio Visual Laboratories, Inc. subsidiary.

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-or-
The Equity Group Inc., New York
Tamara Ehlin, 212/836-9607

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#90257b0820 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

LA BELLE, FL (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Mr. Ben Hill Griffin III, president and chairman of the board of Alico Inc. (NASDAQ:ALCO) announced Friday that Alico and Properties & Lands of Florida Inc. have terminated their discussions concerning the possible renegotiation of the contract for the prospective sale of Alico's 11,000 acres in Lee County, Fla.

Properties & Lands' previous contract with Alico required either a closing of the contract for $110 million cash on Aug. 31, or the payment of a $500,000 non-refundable deposit for the privilege of extending the contract an additional 90 days. Neither of these events occurred on Aug. 31.

On Aug. 31, Alico had temporarily extended the original contract to permit discussions regarding a possible renegotiation of the contract. Griffin stated that, ''After a thorough review of alternative proposals, the company decided not to accept a revised contract.'' This action allows the original contract to terminate.

Marketing of the property, which is located in the rapidly expanding area between Fort Myers and Naples, Fla., will continue with Florida Real Estate Consultants Inc. of Naples.

CONTACT: Alico Inc., La Belle
W. Bernard Lester, 813/675-2966.

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#90257b0822 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

ASHLAND, KY (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Appalachian Mining Inc. has been awarded a long-term contract to supply coal to American Electric Power Service Corp.

Appalachian Mining, a subsidiary of Ashland-based Addington Resources (NASDAQ/NMS:ADDR), will supply coal to AEP's Mountaineer Plant in New Haven, W.Va., beginning in July 1991, the company said. The agreement calls for Appalachian Mining to ship at least 11.32 million tons of coal to the plant over an initial term of 15 years. The coal will be produced from Appalachian Mining reserves in the West Virginia counties of Fayette and Kanawha.

The coal has a Btu content of 12,000 per pound, 7 to 8 percent moisture, approximately 13 percent ash and a maximum sulfur dioxide content of 1.2 pounds per million Btu.

Addington Resources mines and markets coal and is engaged in developing and operating integrated solid waste disposal systems. Its stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol ADDR.

CONTACT: Addington Resources Inc., Ashland
R. Douglas Striebel, 606/928-3433.

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#90257b0825 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

RICHMOND, Va. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - James River Corp. (NYSE: JR) Friday announed that its European affiliate, JA/MONT N.V. and JA/MONT-NOKIA N.V., has unified its management and appointed Ronald L. Singer as chief executive officer of both companies.

Singer is senior vice president and group executive of James River's International Hygenics Products and, prior to that, was senior vice president/group executive U.S. Towel and Tissue Business. Singer will be based in Brussels.

JA/MONT N.V. and JA/MONT-NOKIA N.V. are joint venture companies of James River Corp. of the U.S., Montedison (Gruppo Ferruzzi) of Italy, and Nokia Corp. of Finland. The ventures have consolidated sales of about approximately $1.7 billion in tissue and related hygienic products with operations in France, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Belgium, Netherlands, Spain, Italy, Greece, Turkey and Finland.

The two ventures previously had operated with different management leadership because shareholder ownership and control was different for the two companies. The shareholders jointly decided that unified management under a single leader would best build and strengthen the companies' businesses for the future.

In addition, Jean-Pierre Quere has been appointed president, directeur general of JA/MONT'S key subsidiary, Kaysersburg.

Jean-Pierre Quere formerly was secretary general of Beghin-Say, a large French sugar company. He will be based in Paris.

James River Corp., with headquarters in Richmond, is a major integrated manufacturer of pulp, paper, converted paper and plastics with a sales rate of approximately $6 billion for its fiscal year which ended April 29, 1990.

CONTACT: James River Corp., Richmond Elise Lemmond, 804/649-4277

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#90257b0826 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

MITCHEL FIELD, N.Y. (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Net sales for the quarter ended July 31, 1990 were $13,029,000, compared to $13,885,000 for the prior year, representing a decrease of 6 percent.

Net loss for the period was $528,000 compared to a net profit of $575,000 for the same period last year. The loss resulted from higher than anticipated design costs on commercial satellite programs.

In spite of severe DOD cutbacks and stretch-outs, Frequency expects to be profitable for fiscal year ended April 30, 1991.

CONTACT: Frequency Electronics Inc., Mitchel Field Martin B. Bloch, 516/794-4500

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#90257b0828 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

TINTON FALLS, NJ (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation announced today that it will not make an interest payment of approximately $4.7 million, due September 15, 1990, to holders of its Senior Subordinated Notes due 1998.

Concurrent stated that its bank group has exercised its right to block payments on the subordinated notes because the company, based on its recently reported financial results, is unable to satisfy certain financial covenants of the bankd credit agreement.

Concurrent has $55 million in senior bank debt and approximately $110 million in subordinated debt outstanding. A principal payment of $15 million and an interest payment of approximately $1.7 million on the bank debt is due on September 28, 1990.

The company stated that it has been in discussion with its bank group and, as previously announced, has retained Goldman, Sachs & Co. to assist in restructuring its capital. In that regard, Concurent will hold discussions with its bank group concerning obtaining adjustments or waivers of the financial covenants and payments of principal and interest, and intends to enter into discussions with its noteholders as soon as possible.

Earlier this week, Concurrent announced that Denis R. Brown had been appointed as the company's new chief executive officer. Mr. Brown said, ''I took this position to turn the company around; and I plan to be here for the long haul. Concurrent is a proven leader in the real-time computing market. Our current financial difficulties are largely a result of our over-leveraged capital structure which limits our ability to realize the company's full potential. I was completely aware of the need for capital restructuring at the company and it is my number one priority.''

Brown emphasized, ''I intend to make whatever operational changes are necessary to ensure that the company's commitments to its customers and suppliers are met as expected and to return Concurrent to profitability and growth. I am confident that we can accomplish this goal.''

Concurrent Computer Corporation is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through the Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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#90257b0843 09/14/1990 ~Business Wire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - COMSAT Corp. (NYSE:CQ) announced Friday that the United States District Court, Southern District of New York has issued an opinion and order dismissing in its entirety an antitrust lawsuit brought against COMSAT by Pan American Satellite (PanAmSat).

At the time the lawsuit was filed COMSAT expressed confidence that it had no merit and was groundless. COMSAT pointed out that the suit was particularly ironic because it was COMSAT itself that worked successfully on PanAmSat's behalf in the INTELSAT (International Telecommunications Satellite Organization) consultative process to facilitate the coordination necessary for PanAmSat to begin operations.

COMSAT Chairman and CEO Irving Goldstein, commenting on the dismissal said, ''We are absolutely delighted that the court found no basis for allowing this suit to continue. COMSAT competes fairly, legally and effectively. We now look forward to putting this matter behind us and getting on with our business.''

COMSAT is a publicly traded corporation which provides international, domestic and maritime communications and information services and conducts research on advanced communications techniques.

COMSAT represents the U.S. in the International Telecommunications Satellite Organization (INTELSAT) and the International Maritime Satellite Organization (INMARSAT).

CONTACT: COMSAT, Washington D.C.
Robert W. Hunter, 202/863-6800.

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#90257c0004 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:34 that trade in Prime Motor Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol PDQ.

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#90257c0005 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:36 that trade in Prime Motors Inns Inc. Limited Partnership has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol PMP.

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#90257c0006 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:57 that trade in Rastra Building System Inc.(NASDAQ: RAST) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 1/2, 3/4; unchanged from the halt, and up 1/32 point from the previous close.

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#90257c0008 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - QTV Communications Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to register 616,899 shares of its Class A common stock for public offering.

Of the 616,899 shares to be offered, 280,000 shares are being offered by the company with an additional 304,899 shares registered for future sale by certain stockholders of the company.

The initial public offering price is $5.00 per share.

Robert Todd Financial Corp. is underwriting the offering.

QTV is engaged in the development and sale of alternative advertising.

At present, the company's efforts focus on the exploitation of a network of continuous display and interactive audio visual kiosks the company calls its "Airport Video Network."

The company's executive office is located at 275 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016 and its telephone number is (212) 972-9800.

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#90257c0009 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows SBT Corp.(TICKER: SBTC) lost $1.51 million, or $1.57 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $130,501, or $0.13 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90257c0010 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - Century Energy Corp.(TICKER: CECF) filed a Form 20-F with the NASD stating it earned $4,500, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $106,412 for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989.

This compares with a loss of $8,421, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $99,960 in fiscal year 1988.

The company is engaged in the oil and gas business and its executive office is located at 27 Queen Street East, Toronto, Canada M5C 2M6.

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

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#90257c0011 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Laser Recording Systems Inc.(TICKER: LRSI) lost $46,435, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $707,850 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $25,038, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $332,775 for the same period in 1989.

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#90257c0012 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Growth Development Corp.(TICKER: GRDC) earned $38,934, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $916,345 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $302,593, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $37,081 for the same period in 1989.

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#90257c0013 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - Franklin Capital Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 500,000 units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one common stock purchase warrant.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

Franklin Capital Inc.'s executive office is located at 6160 South Syracuse Way Suite 310, Englewood, Colorado 80111 and its telephone number is (303) 741-0400.

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#90257c0014 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - LM Ericssson Telephone Co. has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts.

Each American Depositary Share represents one non-restricted B share nominal value Swedish Kronor 10 each of the company.

The depositary bank is Citibank, N.A. and its telephone number is (212) 657-7691.

Eighteen million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $5 per unit.

The registration fee is $225.

NOTE: The unit price of $5 is estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee.

Each unit represents 100 American Depositary Shares.

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#90257c0016 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Weldotron Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol WLD. Trading was resumed at 10:41.

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#90257c0017 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Prime Motor Inns Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol PDQ. Trading was resumed at 11:01.

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#90257c0018 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Prime Motor Inns Inc. Limited Partnership has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol PMP. Trading was resumed at 11:02.

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#90257c0019 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Digital Metcom Inc.(TICKER: DMET) sold 2.50 million units in a private placement.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one two-year warrant to purchase one share of common stock.

The agent for the sale was Global Capital Securities Inc., an exclusive placement agent for the sale of all the units.

Prior to the transaction, 20.35 million shares of the company's common stock were issued and outstanding.

Robert Dorskind, chairman of the board and chief executive officer and president of the company, purchased 500,000 units in the private placement.

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#90257c0020 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Selfix Inc.(TICKER: SLFX) voted to change the company's current May 31 fiscal year to a fiscal year ending Dec. 31.

The company reports the change was made for operational reasons and to conform to a more natural business year shared by many of Selfix's customers.

The company will begin the new cycle with the next fiscal quarter, ended Sept. 30, 1990, versus Aug. 31, 1990.

Results of operations for the transformation month of June will be reported in 10-Q form for Sept. 30, 1990, and the 10-K report will be filed covering the seven months ending Dec. 31, 1990.

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#90257c0021 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows California Financial Holding Co.(TICKER: CFHC) on Aug. 31, 1990, agreed to a senior debt financing with the Chase Manhattan Bank (National Association) as the lender, in the amount of $25 million.

The company has the option to borrow an additional $5 million from Chase prior to Feb. 28, 1991.

Proceeds of the loan were advanced by California Financial to its wholly-owned subsidiary, Stockton Service Corp., in order to permit Stockton to repay borrowings from Stockton Savings Bank, FSB.

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#90257c0022 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Michael Baker Corp.(TICKER: BKR) on Aug. 22, 1990, acquired all the outstanding shares of capital stock of MO Inc. from MO's sole shareholder, Michael Gibbs.

On the same date, the company, through a newly formed limited partnership, acquired substantially all the net assets of MO Project Services Inc. (MOPS) for an aggregate of 100,000 shares of Michael Baker capital stock held as treasury shares and $2.71 million in cash (the combined purchase price for stock in MO and net assets in MOPS).

Partners in the limited partnership are subsidiaries of Michael Baker.

Assets in MO and MOPS consist primarily of liquid items consistent with the service-oriented nature of the respective businesses.

Accounts receivable and unbilled revenue receivables typically represent more than 50% of the companies' assets.

Remaining assets consist of cash, miscellaneous current assets, motor vehicles and equipment.

MO and MOPS provides operations, maintenance and support services to the natural gas, oil and petrochemical and power generating industries.

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#90257c0024 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows USBANCORP Inc.(TICKER: USBP) announced on Aug. 24, 1990 that its board of directors restored the quarterly cash dividend on the company's common stock of $0.05 per share.

The dividend is payable Oct. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Sept. 5, 1990.

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#90257c0025 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Utilitech Inc.(TICKER: UTLL) announced that on July 28, 1990 Jacqueline B. Cotsen resigned from the company's board of directors.

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#90257c0026 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows UNSL Financial Corp.(TICKER: UNSL) has increased the number of shares of the company's common stock authorized for repurchase by UNSL to up to 230,000 shares.

The company has repurchased 163,500 shares as of Aug. 28, 1990, and is authorized to purchase an additional 66,500 shares.

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#90257c0027 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:30 that trade in Roy F Weston Inc.(NASDAQ: WSTNA) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7 7/8. The company is located in West Chester, PA.

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#90257c0028 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:36 that trade in AEP Industries Inc.(NASDAQ: AEPI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 9 3/4. The company is located in Moonachie, NJ.

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#90257c0029 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hamilton Digital Controls Inc.(TICKER: HDIG) lost $112,817, or $0.07 per share on revenues of $875,446 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $52,292, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.55 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90257c0030 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Granite State Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: GSBI lost $2.36 million, or $1.41 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $430,000, or $0.18 per share, for the same

period in 1989.

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#90257c0032 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Industrial Acoustics Co.(TICKER: IACI) earned $1.08 million, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $22.74 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.24 million, or $0.43 per share, on revenues of $21.27 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90257c0033 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Televideo Systems Inc.(TICKER: TELV) lost $3.33 million, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $12.41 million for the quarter ended July 29, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.90 million, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $7.19 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 488
#90257c0034 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows B.B. Walker Co.(TICKER: WLKR) lost $500,000, or $0.47 per share, on revenues of $10.34 million for the quarter ended July 28, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $10.37 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 473
#90257c0035 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mid Am Inc.(TICKER: MIAM) earned $2.21 million, or $0.51 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.87 million, or $0.44 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 411
#90257c0036 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows U S West NewVector Group Inc.(TICKER: USWN) lost $3 million, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $70.10 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $3.40 million, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $44.21 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 496

#90257c0037 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Paul Mueller Co.(TICKER: MUEL) earned $2 million, or $1.71 per share, on revenues of $22.66 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $766,000, or $0.66 per share, on revenues of $20.14 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 471

#90257c0038 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:46 that trade in Roy F Weston Inc.(NASDAQ: WSTNA) has been resumed. The first sale was 7 1/2; down 3/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 349

#90257c0040 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:47 that trade in Suncoast Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ: SCSL) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 1/2. The company is located in Hollywood, FL.

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#90257c0041 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - Bancinsurance Corp. (BCIS) began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 12.

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#90257c0042 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 13:

Diversified Retail Group Inc. - Units 9/19/90 (DRGUQ); Warrants expire 9/19/90

Jiffy Lube International Inc. - Wts (JLUBW); Insuff. No. of active market makers

William Controls Inc. - Wts (WMCOW); Insuff. No. of active market makers

-30- 471
#90257c0043 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 13:

Digitext Inc. (DIGT) to (DIGTE)
Humagen Inc. (HUGE) to First Medical International Inc. (HUGE)
Visual Industries Inc. (VISCE) to (VISC)

-30- 369
#90257c0044 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:05 that trade in JMB Realty Trust (NASDAQ: JMBRS) has been resumed. The first sale was 4; down 1 3/4 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 346
#90257c0045 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 28, 1990, the boards of directors of Raycomm Transworld Industries Inc. (TICKER: RACM) and Royalpar Industries Inc.(TICKER: ROYL) agreed in principle to merge Royalpar into a wholly-owned subsidiary of Raycomm.

If Raycomm stockholders approve the authorization of a new class of preferred stock and shareholders of Royalpar approve the merger, Raycomm will, pursuant to the agreement, issue .75 of a share of its common stock, and 1.50 shares of the to-be-authorized Series C Preferred Stock for each outstanding share of Royalpar's common stock.

As of June 30, 1990, Raycomm and Royalpar have 9.44 million and 4.68 shares, respectively, of common stock outstanding.

Raycomm reports that when the agreement and plan of merger are executed, it will file a registration statement on form S-4 with respect to its securities to be offered on the merger.

-30- 1083
#90257c0046 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows shareholders of Wyoming National Bancorporation's (TICKER: WYNB) common stock approved a plan of merger with Norwest Corp.(TICKER: NOB) of Minneapolis on Sept. 5.

The merger is subject to regulatory approval, meeting of certain tangible net worth requirements, and that there be no warrants of Wyoming National

outstanding at the time of closing.

-30- 568
#90257c0048 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of WLR Foods Inc.(TICKER: WLRF) on Aug. 28, 1990, declared a dividend of $0.075 per share on the company's common stock, payable on Oct. 26, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Oct. 12, 1990.

On that same date, the title of offices held by Douglas L. Flory was changed from chief operating officer to secretary.

Flory retains his title of executive vice president.

The title of offices held by Delbert L. Seitz was changed from secretary to treasurer.

Seitz retains his title as chief financial officer.

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#90257c0049 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Utah Medical Products Inc.(TICKER: UTMD) was subpoenaed Aug. 29, 1990, to produce documents related to any form of business combination between Utah Medical and Baxter Healthcare Corp. before a federal grand jury for the Central District of Utah.

Utah Medical reports that it was informed by an assistant U.S. attorney with the Justice Department that the company is not the target or subject of the investigation being conducted by the Justice Department and the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Utah Medical states, however, that it has not been informed that senior management is not the target or subject of investigation, and that it accordingly believes that certain senior management of Utah Medical are under investigation.

The company reports that it has not been informed that any particular person is the subject of investigation, however, and that it refuses to speculate on these matters.

-30- 1164
#90257c0050 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Western Acceptance Corp. (WACP) acquired the assets of Auto Prem Plan and its partners

on June 7, 1990 for $1.36 million.

WACO reports Auto Prem notified Western Acceptance of its desire to sell to WACO all of its property and assets, including the insurance premium finance business it owns and operates, all related assets necessary to the operation of such business, and the business name, business and goodwill.

The purchase price included WACO stock and notes. As of closing, WACO reports each holder of Auto Prem Plan's notes payable to partners and others had the option of exchanging all or any portion of his or her note for WACO shares or convertible notes.

Additionally, each partner of Auto Prem had the option of exchanging any or all of partner equity for WACO's shares or for convertible notes.

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#90257c0051 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Consolidated Energy Systems Inc. reported that on Aug. 30, 1990, Consolidated Energy was notified that a previous purchase agreement with Thermodynamic Engineering Inc. had been rescinded and cancelled.

David Brown, controlling shareholder and chief executive officer of Theromodynamic Engineering, informed Consolidated Energy that pursuant to the terms of the June 30, 1990 purchase agreement, Brown and Thermodynamic Engineering rescinded and cancelled the agreement.

The acquisition announced by Consolidated Energy in a prior 8-K report has therefore been cancelled and no shares or cash have been paid by Consolidated to Thermodynamic.

Consolidated Energy reports that discussions are continuing to complete the acquisition on different terms and conditions than those set forth in the June 30 agreement.

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#90257c0052 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Tufco International Inc., formerly Coastech Inc., announced Aug. 30, 1990 that a change in control of the company has occurred.

The persons who acquired company control are as follows:

Donald L. Cox, with 1.54 million shares, or 40% ownership; Lucille M. Cox, 769,560 shares, or 20% ownership; and Russell D. Cox, 769,560 shares, or 20% ownership.

The change in control was pursuant to an exchange agreement in which the shareholders of Coastech Inc. issued 3.08 million shares of common stock for all the issued and outstanding shares of Tufco International Inc. Prior to closing of the agreement, Coastech changed its name to Tufco International Inc.

Tufco International has been in the business of installing floors in manufacturing, industrial plants and other high use locations for over 30 years.

As of Aug. 30, 1990, Tufco has 3.85 million shares of common stock issued and outstanding.

The company's executive office is Post Office Box 456, Gentry, AR 72734, and its telephone number is (501) 736-2201.

-30- 1252

#90257c0053 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Automated Scanning Inc.(TICKER: ATSN) reported Aug. 17, 1990 that it has been unable to file its annual report on form 10-K for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989, due to a lack of financial resources with which to pay its auditors and accountants.

Due to this inability to pay accountants for past and future services, Automated states it is unable to obtain financial advice for preparation of financial statements.

The company says it anticipates improving its operations to obtain additional working capital and anticipates the 10-K and 10-Q forms for 1990 will be filed in the fall of 1990.

-30- 851

#90257c0054 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows PNB Financial Group (TICKER: PNBF) received permission Aug. 20, 1990 from the Federal Reserve System to invest $500,000 in Merchant House Overseas Financial Group Ltd. (MOFG). MOFG will be a wholly-owned by PNB.

MOFG is an Irish financial services company which will be located in the Custom House Docks area of Dublin, Ireland.

MOFG will be chiefly engaged in loan brokerage activities and in providing services to assist persons and corporations investing in Eurodollar certificates of deposit and Eurobonds.

Additionally, PNB announced that as of Aug. 15, 1990, four potential new directors were discussed as additions to the board: Martin T. Hart, Ronald R. Helm, Michael LeM. Kennedy and Ronald C. Waranch.

PNB announced Aug. 31, 1990 the resignation of its president and chief executive officer, Donald L. Solsby, and his decision to accept employment at another bank.

Larry L. Luckey was appointed as acting president and chief executive officer of PNB's subsidiary, Pacific National Bank, and Terry M. Giles was appointed president and chief executive officer of the company.

-30- 1353
#90257c0056 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY TWEEDY BROWNE CO L P OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 94,045 SHARES (8.77%) OF SUPREME EQUIPMENT & SYSTEMS CORP (TICKER: SEQP) OF BROOKLYN, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 8 and Sept. 5, 1990 Tweedy Browne Co. LP sold 5,025 shares at $.50 to $.63 per share.

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#90257c0057 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FIDELITY INTL LIMITED OF HAMILTON, BERMUDA OWNS 1,972,728 SHARES (6.32%) OF KANSAS GAS & ELECTRIC (TICKER: KSGE) OF WICHITA, KS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 24 and Aug. 1, 1990 Fidelity Int'l Limited purchased 30,000 shares at $24.78 to $24.94 per share.

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#90257c0058 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GROUP LED BY VENDAMERICA BV OF GROUP LED BY AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS OWNS 8,964,491 SHARES (25.20%) OF DILLARD DEPT STORES (TICKER: DDS) OF LITTLE ROCK, AR.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 14, 1990 an issuer registration statement filed for the purpose of registering 4 million class A shares, 3 million of which were to be sold by Vendamerica, became effective. On Aug. 22, 1990 the shares were sold to Morgan Stanley and Co. Inc. as representative US underwriter for $81.65 per share. Vendamerica entered into a letter agreement with Dillard Department Stores regarding the sale of the shares on Aug. 1.

-30- 815
#90257c0059 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY H.D. BASILE OWNS 513,582 SHARES (50.40%) OF ELECTRONIC CONTROL SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: ELCS) OF FAIRMONT, WV.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 31, 1990, Control Techniques USA entered into an option agreement with H.D. Basile pursuant to which CTUSA agreed that on or prior to Sept. 5, 1990, it would deliver in writing an offer to Electronic Control Systems Inc. proposing a merger of CTUSA or an affiliate with Electronic Control Systems Inc., with each common share to be redeemed for $2.43 per share minus the aggregate costs incurred by Electronic Control Systems Inc. H.D. Basile have agreed to vote in favor of such an agreement. Michael Basile and CTUSA have also entered into a consultancy agreement in which Basile agreed to provide advice and assistance to the management of Electronic Control Systems Inc. should a merger take place. On Sept. 5, 1990, CTUSA delivered a letter to the board of directors of Electronic Control Systems Inc. setting forth the offer, which terminates on Sept. 29, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Option agreement.

-30- 1283
#90257c0060 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:00 that trade in RF&P Corp. (NASDAQ: RFPCK) has been halted pending news. The last bid- ask was

30 1/2, 31 1/2. The company is located in Richmond, VA.

-30- 338
#90257c0061 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:05 that trade in Kentucky Medical Insurance Co.(NASDAQ: KYMDA) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 9 3/4. The company is located in Louisville, KY.

-30- 366
#90257c0062 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Nutramax Products Inc.(TICKER: NUPI) lost $472,900, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $379,200 for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $859,600, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $347,800 in fiscal 1989.

-30- 449
#90257c0064 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Cell Technology Inc.(TICKER: CELL) lost $617,456, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $267,708 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $782,272, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $405,086 for the same period ended a year earlier.

-30- 469
#90257c0065 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Decision Systems Inc.(TICKER: DCSN) lost $39,380, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.10 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $19,735, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.14 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 474
#90257c0066 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Golden Quail Resources Ltd.(TICKER: GQRV) lost $348,414, or $0.04 per share, on no revenues for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $428,697, or $0.06 per share, on no revenues in fiscal 1989.

Golden Quail is a development stage firm engaged in the exploration, development, mining and milling of gold.

The company is incorporated in the province of British Columbia, Canada.

-30- 638

#90257c0067 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pit Stop Auto Centers Inc.(TICKER: PSAC) lost $100,085, or $0.31 per share, on revenues of $294,942 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1,292, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $607,726 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 482

#90257c0068 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Critical Industries Inc.(TICKER: FYBR) lost $72,908, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $10.79 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $615,518, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $12.94 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480

#90257c0069 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 7, 1990, Sea Galley Stores Inc.(TICKER: SEAG) appointed BDO Seidman as its independent accountants, replacing Ernst & Young.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 845

#90257c0070 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Petrolite Corp.(TICKER: PLIT) earned $2.75 million, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $73.53 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $3.28 million, or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $71.92 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 494

#90257c0072 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mikron Instruments Co. Inc.(TICKER: MIKR) earned $10,131, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.29 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $43,758, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.19 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 499

#90257c0073 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Boston Digital Corp.(TICKER: BOST) lost $518,788, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $3.14 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $251,153, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $5.68 milion for the same period in 1989.

-30- 468

#90257c0074 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hydro Flame Corp.(TICKER: HFLM) earned $120,918, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $7.78 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $159,450, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $7.83 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480

#90257c0075 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Chefs International Inc.(TICKER: CHEF) earned $335,623, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $4.36 million for the quarter ended July 29, 1990.

This compares with net income of $322,573, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $4.46 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480

#90257c0076 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Missouri Research Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: MRES) lost $165,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $4.48 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $375,000, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $4.66 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 490

#90257c0077 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Orbit Gas Co.(TICKER: OGHS) earned $34,306, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $1.64 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $43,387, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $1.51 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 456

#90257c0078 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Western Star Inc.(TICKER: WTAR) earned $11,172, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $445,399 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $116,644, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $499,235 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 464

#90257c0080 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Astro-Med Inc.(TICKER: ALOT) earned $551,015, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $7 million for the quarter ended July 28, 1990.

This compares with net income of $500,867, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $6.27 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90257c0081 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Falcon Products Inc.(TICKER: FLCP) earned $874,868, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $9.81 million for the quarter ended July 28, 1990.

This compares with net income of $852,628 (including an extraordinary gain of $314,111), or $0.31 per share, on revenues of $9.49 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 520
#90257c0082 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Petroleum Helicopters Inc.(TICKER: PHEL) earned $2.01 million, or $0.33 per share, on revenues of $50.82 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $905,044, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $46.45 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 497
#90257c0083 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Security Tag Systems Inc.(TICKER: STAG) earned $468,411 (including an extraordinary gain of $157,000), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $4.17 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $289,434, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.45 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 529
#90257c0084 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows K Med Centers Inc.(TICKER: KMED) earned $1.06 million, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $2.98 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $412,444, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $716,808 in fiscal 1989.

-30- 461
#90257c0085 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D. EHRLICH OF 3089C CLAIRMONT DR #330, SAN DIEGO, CA 92117, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF SOCAL RESOURCES INC. THROUGH WHITEHALL INVMT SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 4, 1990.

(SOCAL RESOURCES INC. TEL: 619 759-7601)

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#90257c0086 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D. SALERNO OF 21 SOUTH END AVE, APT 337, NEW YORK, NY 10280, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,300 SHARES OF CARE CONCEPTS INC. THROUGH WESTMINSTER SECS CORP. THE

FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 7, 1990.

(CARE CONCEPTS INC. TEL: 602 274-1432)

-30- 406
#90257c0088 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JORDAN FAMILY TRUST OF 3311 S JONES BLVD STE 211, LAS VEGAS, NV 89102, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF VANDERBILT GOLD CORP. THROUGH TITAN VALUE EQUITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 12, 1990.

(VANDERBILT GOLD CORP. TEL: 702 362-3152)

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#90257c0089 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G. ANDERSON OF 4025 FERRY ST, EUGENE, OR 97405, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,575 SHARES OF W-W CAPITAL CORP. THROUGH VSR FINANCIAL SERVICES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 11, 1990.

(W-W CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 316 225-5722)

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#90257c0090 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AZTEC CAPITAL CORP OF 3165 TIFFANY TERRACE, COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80920, HAS FILED TO SELL 61,852 SHARES OF U.T. INC. THROUGH HANIFEN & IMHOFF INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 10, 1990.

(U.T. INC. TEL: 407 775-3500)

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#90257c0091 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.W. DAVIS OF 363 VALLEY VIEW LANE, CHESTER SPRINGS, PA 19425, HAS FILED TO SELL 250,000 SHARES OF VENCOR INTERNATIONAL THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 10, 1990.

(VENCOR INTERNATIONAL TEL: 619 438-1701)

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#90257c0092 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - N. CRUCIANO OF 2 NORTH MARKET #444, SAN JOSE, CA 95113, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,375 SHARES OF FONE AMERICA INC. THROUGH KOCH CAPITAL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 11, 1990.

(FONE AMERICA INC. TEL: 800 344-1988)

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#90257c0093 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K.J. WOLF OF 1616 17TH ST #362, DENVER, CO 80802, HAS FILED TO SELL 322,000 SHARES OF COPILOT ELECTRONIC PRODTS INC. THROUGH PRINCETON FINANCIAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 10, 1990.

(COPILOT ELECTRONIC PRODTS INC. TEL: 913 780-1221)

-30- 433
#90257c0094 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.J. KLEE OF 8060 E GIRARD AVE #316, DENVER, CO 80231, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000,000 SHARES OF OZO DIVERSIFIED AUTOMATION INC.(TICKER: OZOD) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 11, 1990.

(OZO DIVERSIFIED AUTOMATION INC. TEL: 303 368-0401)

-30- 451
#90257c0096 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WAYNE PALMER OF 612 FORT WORTH CLUB BLDG, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,166 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 402
#90257c0097 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES CUMMINGS OF 8999 DICKSON RD, FORT WORTH, TX 76179, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 390
#90257c0098 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORWEST BANK MN-NATL ASSOC TTEE OF 4666 FARIES PARKWAY, BOX 1479, DECATUR, IL 62526, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND TEL: 217 424-5200)

-30- 472
#90257c0099 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LARY L EVANS OF 15450 SW KNOLL PKWY, BEAVERTON, OR 97006, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,500 SHARES OF SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SQNT) THROUGH BLACK & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 503 626-5700)

-30- 436
#90257c0100 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREDERICK DEMATTEIS OF 12 MEADOW RD, OLD WESTBURY, NY 11568, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF HOME DEPOT INC. (TICKER: HD) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(HOME DEPOT INC. TEL: 404 433-8211)

-30- 406
#90257c0101 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A WEYERS OF RT #3, LOST DAUPHIN RD, DEPERE, WI 54115, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,170 SHARES OF BRUSH CREEK MNG & DEV CO. (TICKER: BCMD) THROUGH J

ALEXANDER SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(BRUSH CREEK MNG & DEV CO. TEL: 916 477-5961)

-30- 441
#90257c0102 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JONATHAN J GOLOVIN OF 640 CLYDE CT, MTN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(CONSILIUM INC. TEL: 415 691-6100)

-30- 404
#90257c0104 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TURI JOSEFSEN OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 399
#90257c0105 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVT-BERATUNGS MITTELSTANDISCHE OF 2710 STEMMONS FWY, 800 N TOWER, DALLAS, TX 75207, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,000 SHARES OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE (TICKER: SPCL) THROUGH CAPITAL INVMT GROUP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE TEL: 214 630-9825)

-30- 499
#90257c0106 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCOTT CORPENING OF 1612 SUMMIT #330, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,706 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 336-2400)

-30- 395
#90257c0107 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAROLD H ROBINSON III OF 601 CALIFORNIA ST STE 900, 9TH FLOOR, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94108, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. TEL: 415 391-7700)

-30- 460
#90257c0108 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LLOYD TRUST OF 25495 WHITESELL ST, HAYWARD, CA 94545, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF NELLCOR INC. (TICKER: NELL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(NELLCOR INC. TEL: 415 887-5858)

-30- 390
#90257c0109 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THERMEDICS INC OF 470 WILDWOOD ST, WOBURN, MA 01888, HAS FILED TO SELL 85,000 SHARES OF THERMO CARDIOSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TCA) THROUGH LAZARD FRERES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(THERMO CARDIOSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 617 932-8668)

-30- 428
#90257c0110 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK AZZOLINO OF 3 SHERLOCK LANE, WESTFORD, MA 01886, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 438

#90257c0112 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANGELO J BRUNO OF 300 RESEARCH PKWY, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35211, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF BRUNO'S INC. (TICKER: BRNO) THROUGH C J LAWRENCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(BRUNO'S INC. TEL: 205 940-9400)

-30- 390
#90257c0113 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES T HAGEL OF 1010 MILL RIDGE, 0, MCLEAN, VA 22102, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: VCEL) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 919 282-3690)

-30- 443
#90257c0114 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES T HAGEL OF 1010 MILL RIDGE, 0, MCLEAN, VA 22102, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,000 SHARES OF VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: VCEL) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 919 282-3690)

-30- 443
#90257c0115 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES T HAGEL OF 1010 MILL RIDGE, 0, MCLEAN, VA 22102, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: VCEL) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 919 282-3690)

-30- 441
#90257c0116 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES T HAGEL OF 1010 MILL RIDGE, 0, MCLEAN, VA 22102, HAS FILED TO

SELL 10,000 SHARES OF VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: VCEL) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 919 282-3690)

-30- 443
#90257c0117 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES T HAGEL OF 1010 MILL RIDGE, 0, MCLEAN, VA 22102, HAS FILED TO SELL 42,500 SHARES OF VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: VCEL) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 919 282-3690)

-30- 443
#90257c0118 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK J GALLAGHER OF 4 MAYFLOWER RD, WINCHESTER, MA 01890, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 444
#90257c0120 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DALE F DORN OF 4040 BROADWAY, SUITE 603, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78209, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,235 SHARES OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(FOREST OIL CORP. TEL: 814 368-7171)

-30- 407
#90257c0121 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PADUCAH ORTHOPAEDIC MONEY PP PLN OF 3532 EPHRAIM MCDOWELL DR, P O BOX 3588 LOUISVILLE, KY 40232, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,200 SHARES OF KENTUCKY MEDICAL INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: KYMD) THROUGH ADVEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(KENTUCKY MEDICAL INSURANCE CO. TEL: 502 459-3400)

-30- 503
#90257c0122 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - YEUNG TERRY AU OF 7620 SW BRIDGEPORT RD, PORTLAND, OR 97224, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF BIOJECT MEDICAL SYSTEMS LTD. (TICKER: BJCT) THROUGH HERZOG HEINE GEDULD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(BIOJECT MEDICAL SYSTEMS LTD. TEL: 503 639-7221)

-30- 444
#90257c0123 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALD J BRATTER OF 2110 DWIGHT LANE, MINNETONKA, MN 55343, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,000 SHARES OF CYBEROPTICS CORP. (TICKER: CYBE) THROUGH MILLER JOHNSON & KUEHN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(CYBEROPTICS CORP. TEL: 612 331-5702)

-30- 417
#90257c0124 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAX KASPER OF 7515 KEYSTONE, SKOKIE, IL 60076, HAS FILED TO SELL 400,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH PITTOCK FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 213 468-8867)

-30- 421
#90257c0125 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JON T HILEMAN OF 6812 BATTLECREEK, FORT WORTH, TX 76116, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH EDWARD D JONES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 396

#90257c0126 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER M JOOST OF 201 MAIN, SUITE 2000, FT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF ENTERRA CORP. (TICKER: EN) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(ENTERRA CORP. TEL: 713 864-8700)

-30- 395
#90257c0128 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD B DOZIER OF 26441 VIA DE ANZA, SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA 92675, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,636 SHARES OF NICHOLS INSTITUTE (TICKER: LAB) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(NICHOLS INSTITUTE TEL: 714 661-8000)

-30- 427
#90257c0129 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN F GRIBI OF 20555 SH 249, HOUSTON, TX 77070, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,685 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 456-4500)

-30- 420
#90257c0130 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L LOWE OF 400 FIRST CITY BANK TWR, 201 MAIN ST, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: WEXC) THROUGH JOHNSON RICE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. TEL: 817 335-4701)

-30- 452
#90257c0131 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES S GIBSON OF 15450 SW KOLL PARKWAY, BEAVERTON, OR 97006, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,588 SHARES OF SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SQNT) THROUGH BLACK & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 503 626-5700)

-30- 443
#90257c0132 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES M BOLAND OF 1980 THISTLEWOOD, OKEMOS, MI 48864, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,125 SHARES OF NEOGEN CORP. (TICKER: NEOG) THROUGH EQUITABLE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(NEOGEN CORP. TEL: 517 372-9200)

-30- 387
#90257c0133 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAM D SCHWARTZ OF 31225 LA BAYA DR, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91362, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF JETBORNE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: JETS) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(JETBORNE INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 305 635-6060)

-30- 435
#90257c0134 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEA A KATHOL OF #55 VIA VERDE, WICHITA, KS 67230, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF HIGH PLAINS CORP. (TICKER: HIPC) THROUGH BROWN CHURCH SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(HIGH PLAINS CORP. TEL: 316 269-4310)

-30- 400
#90257c0136 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW W MILLER OF 210 BURLINGTON PLACE, NASHVILLE, TN 37205, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. TEL: 615 385-3541)

-30- 447
#90257c0137 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENT M HOLCOMB OF 4490 SIR RICHARD AVE, NORTH ROYALTON, OH 44133, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF RB & W CORP. (TICKER: RBW) THROUGH HUNTINGTON COMPANY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(RB & W CORP. TEL: 216 357-1200)

-30- 401
#90257c0138 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT F PETERS OF 2000 EASTMAN DR, MILFORD, OH 45150, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH COR (TICKER: SDRC) THROUGH ROBERTSON COLMAN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH COR TEL: 513 576-2000)

-30- 453
#90257c0139 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK I CROKE OF 1537 N JEFFERSON ST, ARLINGTON, VA 22205, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,000 SHARES OF AGRIPOST INC. (TICKER: AGRI) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(AGRIPOST INC. TEL: 305 971-9167)

-30- 397
#90257c0140 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEON MALIN OF 3220 HARVEST MOON DR, PALM HARBOR, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MSYS) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 813 576-6311)

-30- 449

#90257c0141 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRIMSTONE ISLAND CO LP OF 83 WALNUT ST, WELLESLEY HILLS, MA 02181, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH WESSELS ARNOLD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 456
#90257c0142 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES R IRVIE OF P O BOX 780, DAHLONEGA, GA 30530, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF GWINNETT BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: GBSI) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(GWINNETT BANCSHARES INC. TEL: 404 497-9797)

-30- 424
#90257c0144 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROSCOE E WALKER OF 825 MAIN ST S, NEW ELLINGTON, SC 29809, HAS FILED TO SELL 43,400 SHARES OF ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING & TESTI (TICKER: EMON) THROUGH G K SCOTT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING & TESTI TEL: 803 652-2718)

-30- 455
#90257c0145 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MELVENA ALEXANDER OF 6564 SMOKE TREE LANE, PARADISE VALLEY, AZ 85253, HAS FILED TO SELL 282,468 SHARES OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH) THROUGH R J STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 602 948-5883)

-30- 435
#90257c0146 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TEDHAMS JUNIPER TRUST OF 743 N ECKHOFF ST, ORANGE, CA 92668, HAS FILED

TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF VARCO INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: VRC) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(VARCO INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 714 978-1900)

-30- 431
#90257c0147 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARJORIE A SMITH OF 4931 MARILYN DR, STE 712, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84117, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(GOLD STANDARD INC. TEL: 801 328-4452)

-30- 423
#90257c0148 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C RICHARD HARRISON OF 88 LINCOLN DR, WAYLAND, MA 01778, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 437
#90257c0149 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEVI LITMANOVICH OF 23443 PARK HERMOSA, CALABASAS, CA 91302, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF UTILITECH INC. (TICKER: UTLL) THROUGH FIRST AFFILIATED SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(UTILITECH INC. TEL: 213 441-4119)

-30- 411
#90257c0150 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHYE SOL & SARA TRUST OF 10880 WILSHIRE BLVD #602, LOS ANGELES, CA 90024 HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF UTILITECH INC. (TICKER: UTLL) THROUGH FIRST AFFILIATED SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(UTILITECH INC. TEL: 213 441-4119)

-30- 431
#90257c0152 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT C GANNAWAY III OF 780 3RD AVE, SUITE 1501, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,000 SHARES OF UNITED SHOPPERS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: USOA) THROUGH MARCHE SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(UNITED SHOPPERS OF AMERICA INC. TEL: 407 578-0077)

-30- 471
#90257c0153 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALEXANDER S LOEB OF 168 NORTH MERAMEC, SUITE 300, CLAYTON, MO 63105, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0213)

-30- 435
#90257c0154 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD E GREENE OF ONE ENTERPRISE DR, SHELTON, CT 06484, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(DATA SWITCH CORP. TEL: 203 926-1801)

-30- 409
#90257c0155 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MORSE LIVING TRUST OF 1220 CHARLESTON RD, PO BOX 7393, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,600 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

-30- 422

#90257c0156 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRY M OSULLIVAN OF 606 ROCK CREEK, 0, RED OAK, TX 75154, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,820 SHARES OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE (TICKER: SPCL) THROUGH KNIBBE FNCL GRP INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE TEL: 214 630-9825)

-30- 465
#90257c0157 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GAY FAMILY TRUST OF 3000 LAKESIDE DR, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF SILICON VALLEY BANCSHARES (TICKER: SIVB) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(SILICON VALLEY BANCSHARES TEL: 408 980-0766)

-30- 448
#90257c0158 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH A STIEFLER OF 855 YORK ST, DENVER, CO 80206, HAS FILED TO SELL 268,000 SHARES OF GREASE MONKEY HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: GMHC) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(GREASE MONKEY HOLDING CORP. TEL: 303 534-1660)

-30- 436
#90257c0160 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAMCO CAPITAL CORP OF 1 BUSH ST, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 408
#90257c0161 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD AKASHI OF 500 NORTH GARFIELD, SUITE 100, MONTEREY PARK, CA 91754,

HAS FILED TO SELL 2,686 SHARES OF CANDELA LASER CORP. (TICKER: CLZR) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(CANDELA LASER CORP. TEL: 508 358-7637)

-30- 431
#90257c0162 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS H ROBERTS JR OF 3100 SYCAMORE RD, DEKALD, IL 60115, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PRDE) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES INC. TEL: 713 871-8567)

-30- 434
#90257c0163 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAULSELL FREDERICK O JR TTEE OF 10809 120TH AVE N E, KIRKLAND, WA 98083, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH FOSTER-PAULSELL-BAKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 459
#90257c0164 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW D STERN OF 172 ELMWOOD RD, NEEDHAM, MA 02192, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF CSP INC. (TICKER: CSPI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(CSP INC. TEL: 617 272-6020)

-30- 380
#90257c0165 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KRISTEN M STERN OF 172 ELMWOOD RD, NEEDHAM, MA 02192, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF CSP INC. (TICKER: CSPI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(CSP INC. TEL: 617 272-6020)

-30- 381
#90257c0166 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L T SANDS OF 951 VIA LOS PADRES, SANTA BARBARA, CA 93111, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,546 SHARES OF W.C.W. WESTERN CANADA WATER ENTE (TICKER: WCWE) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(W.C.W. WESTERN CANADA WATER ENTE TEL: 604 681-3445)

-30- 459
#90257c0168 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NICHOLS BYRON J TRUST OF 22000 GARRISON AVE, DEARBORN, MI 48124, HAS FILED TO SELL 38,117 SHARES OF NATIONAL TECHTEAM INC. (TICKER: TEAM) THROUGH RONEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(NATIONAL TECHTEAM INC. TEL: 313 277-2277)

-30- 432
#90257c0169 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALLACE D RILEY OF 86 LOTHROP RD, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MI 48236, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,870 SHARES OF NATIONAL TECHTEAM INC. (TICKER: TEAM) THROUGH RONEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(NATIONAL TECHTEAM INC. TEL: 313 277-2277)

-30- 421
#90257c0170 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DLNB LIMITED OF 705 WEST SIXTH AVE, SUITE 201, ANCHORAGE, AK 99501, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF GEONEX CORP. (TICKER: GEOX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(GEONEX CORP. TEL: 907 277-4334)

-30- 399

#90257c0171 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KELLMAN JOEL D MPP PLAN TRUST OF 1780 RESEARCH PARK WAY, SUITE 116, LOGAN, UT 84321, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,000 SHARES OF GLOBESAT HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: GSAT) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(GLOBESAT HOLDING CORP. TEL: 801 753-2303)

-30- 476
#90257c0172 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOEL WILENTZ OF 5811 SW 33 TERRACE, FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33312, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF POLYMERIX INC. (TICKER: PLXX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(POLYMERIX INC. TEL: 414 722-3451)

-30- 407
#90257c0173 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JUDITH H LANGE OF 1101 GREEN ST #1704, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94109, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,667 SHARES OF SHAREDATA INC. (TICKER: SHRD) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(SHAREDATA INC. TEL: 602 961-7519)

-30- 407
#90257c0174 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDUARD BARUCH OF 1750 SOUTH LANE, FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33316, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,656 SHARES OF WILDEY INC. (TICKER: WILD) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(WILDEY INC. TEL: 203 355-9000)

-30- 393
#90257c0176 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, P.B. RAEDER, SHAREHOLDER OF BENJAMIN MOORE & CO. SOLD 1,723 SHARES AT $43.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,057.

-30- 308
#90257c0177 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, LOEWS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BULOVA CORP. BOUGHT 8,800 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,447,236.

-30- 287
#90257c0178 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, W.A. PETER JR, CHAIRMAN OF DATA MEDICAL CLINICAL SUPPORT SERVICES INC. BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $0.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90257c0179 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 5, 1986, M.H. BUSSE, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,394.

-30- 324
#90257c0180 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, A. ALYASSINI, PRES. OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NPSI) BOUGHT 2,142,857 SHARES AT $0.07 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,201,480.

-30- 349
#90257c0181 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, GLOBAL FINANCIAL RES LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC. BOUGHT 2,142,857 SHARES AT $0.07 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,201,480.

-30- 350
#90257c0182 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, F.G. CROCKER JR, VP OF NORTON CO.(TICKER: NRT) SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90257c0184 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, W.T. HOLLOWAY JR, DIR. OF VOLUNTEER BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: VOLB) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,431.

-30- 331
#90257c0185 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, L.E. REED, CHAIRMAN OF HORIZON BANK (TICKER: HRZB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,616.

-30- 303
#90257c0186 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, R.G. FOUNTAIN, OFFICER OF M.A. HANNA CO. (TICKER: HNM) BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,875.

-30- 309
#90257c0187 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, R.A. ALLEN, DIR. OF USBANCORP INC. (TICKER: USBP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90257c0188 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 6, 1990, R.L. BUCKINGHAM, OFFICER OF WANG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: WAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90257c0189 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, R.L. BUCKINGHAM, OFFICER OF WANG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: WAN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90257c0190 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, R.L. BUCKINGHAM, OFFICER OF WANG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: WAN), BOUGHT 500 CLASS B SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 336
#90257c0192 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT W SALTMARSH, OFFICER OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $40.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 938.

-30- 327
#90257c0193 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MICHAEL H SPINDLER, VP OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90257c0194 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MICHAEL H SPINDLER, VP OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $37.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 319
#90257c0195 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, WILLIAM J BOLT, OFFICER OF ABIOMED INC. (TICKER: ABD),

SOLD 2,100 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90257c0196 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WILLIAM J BOLT, OFFICER OF ABIOMED INC. (TICKER: ABD), SOLD 12,900 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 302
#90257c0197 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAY R FUCHS, VP OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 4,600 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90257c0198 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JAY R FUCHS, VP OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,100.

-30- 337
#90257c0200 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FORBES H BURGESS, VP OF ARMSTRONG WORLD INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ACK), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $31.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90257c0201 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, FORBES H BURGESS, VP OF ARMSTRONG WORLD INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ACK), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 325
#90257c0202 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WILLIAM H ABBOTT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $41.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90257c0203 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DONALD J BURCH, OFFICER OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $44.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90257c0204 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DONALD J BURCH, OFFICER OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $44.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90257c0205 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ROBERT V MCCORMICK, OFFICER OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN), SOLD 13,820 SHARES AT $44.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90257c0206 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ROBERT V MCCORMICK, OFFICER OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $44.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90257c0208 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, S ROBSON WALTON, DIR. OF ACXIOM CORP. (TICKER: ACXM), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 301
#90257c0209 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES P RIGAS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,038,430.

-30- 385
#90257c0210 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, MICHAEL J RIGAS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,802,766.

-30- 386
#90257c0211 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ARNOLD E AMSTUTZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE ADVEST GROUP INC. (TICKER: ADV), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90257c0212 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ARNOLD E AMSTUTZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE ADVEST GROUP INC. (TICKER: ADV), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90257c0213 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ARNOLD E AMSTUTZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE ADVEST GROUP INC. (TICKER: ADV), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90257c0214 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ARNOLD E AMSTUTZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE ADVEST GROUP INC. (TICKER: ADV), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90257c0216 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WARREN W KANTOR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 319 SHARES AT $9.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 202,847.

-30- 324
#90257c0217 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LOUIS A HAZOURI JR, OFFICER OF AMERICAN FAMILY CORP. (TICKER: AFL), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,326.

-30- 328
#90257c0218 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 262,973.

-30- 314
#90257c0219 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90257c0220 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 213,940.

-30- 318
#90257c0221 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GLADYS SAKOWICH, CHAIRMAN OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL)

(TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 335
#90257c0222 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, A STANTON WELLS JR, OFFICER OF BARNES GROUP INC. (TICKER: B), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,000.

-30- 313
#90257c0224 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RUBEN F METTLER, DIR. OF BANKAMERICA CORP. (TICKER: BAC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 312
#90257c0225 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RAYMOND A JONES JR, DIR. OF BB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BBTF), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,368.

-30- 318
#90257c0226 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID R LAFAR III, DIR. OF BB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BBTF), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,024.

-30- 317
#90257c0227 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, RES & DEV PRTNRSHP PRUTECH II, BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90257c0228 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RES & DEV PRTNRSHP PRUTECH II, BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90257c0229 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RES & DEV PRTNRSHP PRUTECH II, BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 3,350 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90257c0230 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RES & DEV PRTNRSHP PRUTECH II, BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90257c0232 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RES & DEV PRTNRSHP PRUTECH II, BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90257c0233 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RES & DEV PRTNRSHP PRUTECH II, BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 52,950 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90257c0234 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RES & DEV PRTNRSHP PRUTECH II, BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 76,750 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90257c0235 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RES & DEV PRTNRSHP PRUTECH II, BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 40,500 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90257c0236 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RES & DEV PRTNRSHP PRUTECH II, BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 112,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90257c0237 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RES & DEV PRTNRSHP PRUTECH II, BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 34,900 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90257c0238 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RES & DEV PRTNRSHP PRUTECH II, BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 44,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90257c0240 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90257c0241 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 1,900 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90257c0242 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90257c0243 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90257c0244 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 38,500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90257c0245 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $13.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90257c0246 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RICHARD SVRLUGA, SHAREHOLDER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $13.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90257c0248 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, MARTIN SUKENICK, CHAIRMAN OF BROADWAY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BFCP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,189.

-30- 333
#90257c0249 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RICHARD J TESTA, DIR. OF BOSTON FIVE BANCORP. (TICKER: BFCS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,809.

-30- 321
#90257c0250 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, RICHARD COHN, DIR. OF BIG B INC. (TICKER: BIGB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90257c0251 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, RICHARD COHN, DIR. OF BIG B INC. (TICKER: BIGB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 290
#90257c0252 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOE E DAVIS, DIR. OF BMC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BMC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 297
#90257c0253 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ALTA III LP, BEN. OWNER OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 62,665 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 539,093.

-30- 331
#90257c0254 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, TROILO FAMILY 1986 TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BIRD MEDICAL

TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 174,427 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500,571.

-30- 362
#90257c0256 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOMAS J WILLIAMS, VP OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 4,300 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,989.

-30- 320
#90257c0257 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, GERALD GRINSTEIN, PRES. OF BURLINGTON NORTHERN INC. (TICKER: BNI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0258 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, GERALD GRINSTEIN, PRES. OF BURLINGTON NORTHERN INC. (TICKER: BNI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 226,894.

-30- 331
#90257c0259 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, HENRY L FOSTER, VP OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), SOLD 9,800 SHARES AT $64.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90257c0260 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, HENRY L FOSTER, VP OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $64.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,984.

-30- 304
#90257c0261 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CARL E SASSANO, VP OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), SOLD 2,250 SHARES AT $64.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,710.

-30- 306
#90257c0262 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JAMES L HALL JR, DIR. OF BANKS OF MID-AMERICA INC. (TICKER: BOMA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90257c0264 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90257c0265 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90257c0266 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $7.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90257c0267 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90257c0268 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90257c0269 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90257c0270 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90257c0272 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,900.

-30- 298
#90257c0273 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90257c0274 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 300
#90257c0275 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GARY E MARTINELLI, DIR. OF COMPUTER ASSOCIATES INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,600.

-30- 352
#90257c0276 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, SAMUEL S KAHN, DIR. OF CAERE CORP. (TICKER: CAER), BOUGHT 1,355 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 290,362.

-30- 295
#90257c0277 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, SHERWOOD J TARLOW, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90257c0278 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, SHERWOOD J TARLOW, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 768,822.

-30- 333
#90257c0280 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JEFFERSON J DAVIS, DIR. OF CASCADE CORP. (TICKER: CASC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 177,048.

-30- 303
#90257c0281 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 05, 1988, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 8,888 SHARES AT $3.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0282 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 12, 1988, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 14,814 SHARES AT $3.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,695,062.

-30- 331
#90257c0283 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1988, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 8,600 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90257c0284 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1988, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 11,400 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,718,764.

-30- 332
#90257c0285 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 31, 1990, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 37,239 SHARES AT $3.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,493,373.

-30- 331
#90257c0286 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 05, 1989, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $10.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90257c0288 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1989, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC.

(TICKER: CE), SOLD 92,433 SHARES AT $6.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,437,611.

-30- 331
#90257c0289 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, PHILIP H ESSNER, OFFICER OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,092.

-30- 324
#90257c0290 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN D HAY, DIR. OF CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CELL), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90257c0291 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN D HAY, DIR. OF CELL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CELL), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 422,998.

-30- 309
#90257c0292 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, MILTON A KOFFMAN, CHAIRMAN OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 43,500 SHARES AT $1.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 725,716.

-30- 315
#90257c0293 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, LARRY D SPROUSE, VP OF CULLEN/FROST BANKERS INC. (TICKER: CFBI), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,270.

-30- 320

#90257c0294 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JACK A SOLOMON JR, SHAREHOLDER OF CIRCLE FINE ART CORP. (TICKER: CFNE), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90257c0296 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM M SILVER, OFFICER OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90257c0297 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLIAM M SILVER, OFFICER OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 308
#90257c0298 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, EDWARD E PENHOET, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHIRON CORP. (TICKER: CHIR), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 145,000.

-30- 330
#90257c0299 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ALLAN S HOLDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90257c0300 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ALLAN S HOLDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90257c0301 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ALLAN S HOLDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $10.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90257c0302 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ALLAN S HOLDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90257c0304 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALFRED H SMITH JR, CHAIRMAN OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90257c0305 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ALFRED H SMITH JR, CHAIRMAN OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90257c0306 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALFRED H SMITH JR, CHAIRMAN OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90257c0307 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ALFRED H SMITH JR, CHAIRMAN OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90257c0308 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ALFRED H SMITH JR, CHAIRMAN OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90257c0309 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ALFRED H SMITH JR, CHAIRMAN OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90257c0310 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ALFRED H SMITH JR, CHAIRMAN OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 722,462.

-30- 339
#90257c0312 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HARRY R SMITH, DIR. OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90257c0313 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HARRY R SMITH, DIR. OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0314 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HARRY R SMITH, DIR. OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90257c0315 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, HARRY R SMITH, DIR. OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90257c0316 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HARRY R SMITH, DIR. OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0317 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, HARRY R SMITH, DIR. OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 803,184.

-30- 327
#90257c0318 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, SHELDON N LEWIS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE CLOROX CO. (TICKER: CLX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $40.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,069.

-30- 325
#90257c0320 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 06, 1990, TERRENCE L ROCK, VP OF CONVEX COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CNX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90257c0321 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 12, 1990, TERRENCE L ROCK, VP OF CONVEX COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CNX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,049.

-30- 312
#90257c0322 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ALONZO H POLL, DIR. OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: COFI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 324
#90257c0323 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ROBERT H CASTELLINI, DIR. OF COMAIR HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: COMR), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90257c0324 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ROBERT H CASTELLINI, DIR. OF COMAIR HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: COMR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 329
#90257c0325 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, BRAD C SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 69,053 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,936,103.

-30- 328
#90257c0326 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 69,053 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,941,303.

-30- 328
#90257c0328 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90257c0329 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $36.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90257c0330 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $34.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90257c0331 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 33,000 SHARES AT $32.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90257c0332 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $35.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90257c0333 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 21,000 SHARES AT $35.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90257c0334 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $36.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90257c0336 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0337 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0338 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0339 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0340 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0341 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 4,900 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0342 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0344 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90257c0345 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0346 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0347 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0348 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90257c0349 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0350 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90257c0352 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HUGH F CULVERHOUSE, DIR. OF CHIQUITA BRANDS INTL INC. (TICKER: CQB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 335
#90257c0353 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RALPH B PERRY III, DIR. OF CRAIG CORP. (TICKER: CRG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 297
#90257c0354 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RODNEY D KNUTSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CROWN RESOURCE CORP. (TICKER: CRRS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 26,715.

-30- 342
#90257c0355 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, LEON S ANGVIRE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,500.

-30- 358
#90257c0356 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, GERALD D BARRONE, PRES. OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 335
#90257c0357 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JACK R BORSTING, PRES. OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90257c0358 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JACK R BORSTING, PRES. OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.64 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 330
#90257c0360 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, MAURICE MANN, PRES. OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.64 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90257c0361 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MAURICE MANN, PRES. OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 327
#90257c0362 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, GWENDOLYN A POWERS, PRES. OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,800.

-30- 337
#90257c0363 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, HAROLD B STARKEY, PRES. OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $3.64 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 332
#90257c0364 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, CAROL WHITFIELD, OFFICER OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,913.

-30- 315
#90257c0365 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, B D ALLEN, PRES. OF CONSOLIDATED-TOMOKA LAND CO. (TICKER: CTLC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,960.

-30- 325
#90257c0366 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF QUANTUM

CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: CUE), BOUGHT 8,689 SHARES AT $14.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90257c0368 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: CUE), BOUGHT 1,314 SHARES AT $13.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90257c0369 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: CUE), BOUGHT 10,372 SHARES AT $10.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90257c0370 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, J ANGUS MCKEE, OFFICER OF CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD. (TICKER: CXY), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,892.

-30- 350
#90257c0371 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, KENNETH ZIFFREN, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 310
#90257c0372 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SCOTT J WILCOTT, VP OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), SOLD 250 SHARES AT $31.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,354.

-30- 290
#90257c0373 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALTER F BAUER, DIR. OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90257c0374 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, WALTER F BAUER, DIR. OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,561.

-30- 337
#90257c0376 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, KENNETH W BITTICKS, DIR. OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 293,035.

-30- 345
#90257c0377 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RICHARD R JANSSEN, PRES. OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90257c0378 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, RICHARD R JANSSEN, PRES. OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 535,442.

-30- 345
#90257c0379 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GEORGE L OHRSTROM JR, DIR. OF DOVER CORP. (TICKER: DOV), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $34.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90257c0380 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GEORGE L OHRSTROM JR, DIR. OF DOVER CORP. (TICKER: DOV), SOLD 190,000 SHARES AT $35.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 672,542.

-30- 307
#90257c0381 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ALAN M EISNER, VP OF DREYFUS CORP. (TICKER: DRY), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 293
#90257c0382 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, S EDWARD CHRISTIANSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EQUIPMENT CO. OF AMERICA (TICKER: ECOA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,766.

-30- 363
#90257c0384 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN F WALTER, VP OF ERC ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY SERVICES CO. (TICKER: ERCE), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90257c0385 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM F KAISER, VP OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,832.

-30- 308
#90257c0386 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM F KAISER, VP OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $11.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90257c0387 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM F KAISER, VP OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,166.

-30- 305
#90257c0388 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, W WOODROW STEWART, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL BANCORP. (GA) (TICKER: FBAC), SOLD 688 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,760.

-30- 333
#90257c0389 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JOHN L FRYE, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP.(NC) (TICKER: FBNC), SOLD 1,250 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,567.

-30- 327
#90257c0390 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, JOHN L FRYE, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP.(NC) (TICKER: FBNC), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 87,660.

-30- 326
#90257c0392 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0393 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0394 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0395 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0396 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0397 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0398 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0400 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 128,075.

-30- 331
#90257c0401 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ALBERT G HANDSCHUMACHER, DIR. OF FIRST EXECUTIVE CORP. (TICKER: FEXC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,339.

-30- 337
#90257c0402 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ROBERT F BELDEN, DIR. OF FIRSTFEDERAL FINANCIAL SVCS CORP. (TICKER: FFSW), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90257c0403 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES L BOWMAN, DIR. OF F & M NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FMNT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 187,377.

-30- 314
#90257c0404 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN A MORAN, DIR. OF FORTUNE FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FORF), BOUGHT 480 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90257c0405 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN A MORAN, DIR. OF FORTUNE FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FORF), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293

#90257c0406 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JOHN A MORAN, DIR. OF FORTUNE FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FORF), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90257c0408 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN A MORAN, DIR. OF FORTUNE FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FORF), BOUGHT 1,120 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0409 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN A MORAN, DIR. OF FORTUNE FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FORF), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,650.

-30- 326
#90257c0410 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MARTIN A MASSENGALE, DIR. OF FIRSTIER FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: FRST), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 325
#90257c0411 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WILLIAM F FARLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), SOLD 3,750,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,250,000.

-30- 339
#90257c0412 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LEONARD G HERRING, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90257c0413 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LEONARD G HERRING, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,408.

-30- 314
#90257c0414 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, DIR. OF FIRST WACHOVIA CORP. (TICKER: FW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90257c0416 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, DIR. OF FIRST WACHOVIA CORP. (TICKER: FW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,259,661.

-30- 323
#90257c0417 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, DIR. OF FIRST WACHOVIA CORP. (TICKER: FW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $39.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90257c0418 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, DIR. OF FIRST WACHOVIA CORP. (TICKER: FW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $38.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,660,573.

-30- 321
#90257c0419 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, LANE INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL BINDING CORP. (TICKER: GBND), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,618,937.

-30- 331
#90257c0420 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT A GUNST, PRES. OF THE GOOD GUYS INC. (TICKER: GGUY), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90257c0421 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROBERT A GUNST, PRES. OF THE GOOD GUYS INC. (TICKER: GGUY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90257c0422 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT A GUNST, PRES. OF THE GOOD GUYS INC. (TICKER: GGUY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90257c0424 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ROBERT A GUNST, PRES. OF THE GOOD GUYS INC. (TICKER: GGUY), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 311
#90257c0425 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, HAMILTON ROBINSON JR, DIR. OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON CO. (TICKER: GHX), SOLD 2,708 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286

#90257c0426 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, HAMILTON ROBINSON JR, DIR. OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON CO. (TICKER: GHX), SOLD 677 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90257c0427 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, HAMILTON ROBINSON JR, DIR. OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON CO. (TICKER: GHX), SOLD 7,057 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90257c0428 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, HAMILTON ROBINSON JR, DIR. OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON CO. (TICKER: GHX), SOLD 1,764 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90257c0429 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, HAMILTON ROBINSON JR, DIR. OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON CO. (TICKER: GHX), SOLD 235 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90257c0430 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, GERRITY ROBERT CO, BEN. OWNER OF GERRITY OIL & GAS CORP. (TICKER: GOIL), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 713,438.

-30- 345
#90257c0432 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES H ERHART JR, DIR. OF GRACE (W.R.) & CO. (TICKER: GRA), SOLD 12,600 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90257c0433 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES H ERHART JR, DIR. OF GRACE (W.R.) & CO. (TICKER: GRA), SOLD 1,033 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,654.

-30- 317
#90257c0434 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ARCH C SCURLOCK, BEN. OWNER OF GREATER WASHINGTON INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: GWA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 450,500.

-30- 360
#90257c0435 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 6,430 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90257c0436 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 333 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90257c0437 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 10,016 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0438 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 19,506 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0440 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 2,694 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90257c0441 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 5,821 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90257c0442 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, INFOTECHNOLOGY INC, BEN. OWNER OF HADRON INC. (TICKER: HDRN), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $0.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90257c0443 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, INFOTECHNOLOGY INC, BEN. OWNER OF HADRON INC. (TICKER: HDRN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,527,397.

-30- 323
#90257c0444 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MARK R ADAMS, OFFICER OF HECHINGER CO. (TICKER: HECH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90257c0445 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, MARK R ADAMS, OFFICER OF HECHINGER CO. (TICKER: HECH),

BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 298
#90257c0446 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, SENECA VENTURES, BEN. OWNER OF HELIAN HEALTH GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 381,600.

-30- 343
#90257c0448 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT L FROME, OFFICER OF UNITED CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: ICU), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0449 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT L FROME, OFFICER OF UNITED CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: ICU), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90257c0450 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT L FROME, OFFICER OF UNITED CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: ICU), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 312
#90257c0451 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GEOFFREY M DOBSON, OFFICER OF IMO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IMD), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90257c0452 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, GEOFFREY M DOBSON, OFFICER OF IMO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IMD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 308
#90257c0453 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOHN W STANTON, DIR. OF INTERPOINT CORP. (TICKER: INTP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,000.

-30- 308
#90257c0454 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, SAM N WILSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERTRANS CORP. (TICKER: ITRN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0456 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID B SMITH, VP OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $51.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90257c0457 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID B SMITH, VP OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $51.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,574,171.

-30- 325
#90257c0458 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, M LEE PEARCE, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90257c0459 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, M LEE PEARCE, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 13,100 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90257c0460 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, M LEE PEARCE, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90257c0461 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, M LEE PEARCE, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90257c0462 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, M LEE PEARCE, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90257c0464 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, M LEE PEARCE, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90257c0465 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, M LEE PEARCE, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $9.83 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90257c0466 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, M LEE PEARCE, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90257c0467 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, M LEE PEARCE, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 251
#90257c0468 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, M LEE PEARCE, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90257c0469 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, M LEE PEARCE, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90257c0470 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, M LEE PEARCE, DIR. OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $10.46 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 225,000.

-30- 293
#90257c0472 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, GLENN R JONES, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES INTERCABLE INC. (TICKER: JOIN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90257c0473 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GLENN R JONES, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES INTERCABLE INC. (TICKER: JOIN), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90257c0474 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, GLENN R JONES, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES INTERCABLE INC. (TICKER: JOIN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90257c0475 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, GLENN R JONES, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES INTERCABLE INC. (TICKER: JOIN), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90257c0476 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, GLENN R JONES, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES INTERCABLE INC. (TICKER: JOIN), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 368,416.

-30- 370
#90257c0477 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JONES INTERNATIONAL LTD, BEN. OWNER OF JONES INTERCABLE INC. (TICKER: JOIN), BOUGHT 18,397 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 186,933.

-30- 357
#90257c0478 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JONES SPACELINK LTD, BEN. OWNER OF JONES INTERCABLE INC. (TICKER: JOIN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90257c0480 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JONES SPACELINK LTD, BEN. OWNER OF JONES INTERCABLE INC. (TICKER: JOIN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90257c0481 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JONES SPACELINK LTD, BEN. OWNER OF JONES INTERCABLE INC. (TICKER: JOIN), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90257c0482 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JONES SPACELINK LTD, BEN. OWNER OF JONES INTERCABLE INC. (TICKER: JOIN), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,000.

-30- 341
#90257c0483 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EUGENE L HARTWIG, VP OF KELLY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: KELY), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 297
#90257c0484 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, EUGENE L HARTWIG, VP OF KELLY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: KELY), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 301
#90257c0485 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HENRY S HEMINGWAY, DIR. OF KEYCORP (TICKER: KEY), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90257c0486 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HENRY S HEMINGWAY, DIR. OF KEYCORP (TICKER: KEY), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 303,104.

-30- 303
#90257c0488 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, KOBE STEEL USA HLDG INC, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90257c0489 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, KOBE STEEL USA HLDG INC, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90257c0490 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, KOBE STEEL USA HLDG INC, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 270,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90257c0491 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, KOBE STEEL USA HLDG INC, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90257c0492 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, KOBE STEEL USA HLDG INC, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90257c0493 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, KOBE STEEL USA HLDG INC, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90257c0494 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, KOBE STEEL USA HLDG INC, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,286,557.

-30- 332
#90257c0496 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, KOBE STEEL USA HLDG INC, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90257c0497 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DALE F DOEHRMAN, DIR. OF LINCOLN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LFIN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,005.

-30- 325
#90257c0498 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, STEPHEN S PENLEY, OFFICER OF LINDBERG CORP. (TICKER: LIND), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 311
#90257c0499 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90257c0500 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90257c0501 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90257c0502 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,000.

-30- 319
#90257c0504 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90257c0505 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90257c0506 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,000.

-30- 326
#90257c0507 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DANIEL H CHICOINE, SHAREHOLDER OF MAGNA INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MAGA), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $3.24 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,861.

-30- 338
#90257c0508 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MICHAEL DOOLING, CHAIRMAN OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $22.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90257c0509 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MICHAEL DOOLING, CHAIRMAN OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 303,690.

-30- 323
#90257c0510 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HERBERT MOSKOWITZ, BEN. OWNER OF MARROW-TECH INC. (TICKER: MARO), SOLD 32,066 SHARES AT $5.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,530,510.

-30- 328
#90257c0512 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BATTERY VENTURES LP, BEN. OWNER OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 40,958 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

777,118.

-30- 327
#90257c0513 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PAUL A MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 13,267 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 776,207.

-30- 314
#90257c0514 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, L STANTON WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 437.

-30- 315
#90257c0515 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID A LEFEVE, SHAREHOLDER OF MERRILL LYNCH & CO.INC (TICKER: MER), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90257c0516 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID A LEFEVE, SHAREHOLDER OF MERRILL LYNCH & CO.INC (TICKER: MER), SOLD 2,726 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 976.

-30- 329
#90257c0517 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID A LEFEVE, SHAREHOLDER OF MERRILL LYNCH & CO.INC (TICKER: MER), SOLD 235 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90257c0518 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID A LEFEVE, SHAREHOLDER OF MERRILL LYNCH & CO.INC (TICKER: MER), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90257c0520 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, FRANK W JONES, DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 322
#90257c0521 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GRAEME MARSH, DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0522 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GRAEME MARSH, DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500,970.

-30- 320
#90257c0523 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WILLIAM D JOBE, VP OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS), SOLD 59,600 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 311
#90257c0524 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT W HAYDEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE MIDLAND CO. (TICKER: MLA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $27.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400,012.

-30- 329
#90257c0525 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR L ANDLAUER, DIR. OF MULTIBANK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: MLTF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,356.

-30- 329
#90257c0526 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90257c0528 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90257c0529 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 777,493.

-30- 327
#90257c0530 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90257c0531 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI),

BOUGHT 65,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90257c0532 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90257c0533 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 984,738.

-30- 303
#90257c0534 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90257c0536 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90257c0537 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,342,861.

-30- 297
#90257c0538 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, MORRIS H FAIR, DIR. OF M.S. CARRIERS INC. (TICKER:

MSCA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 310
#90257c0539 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JEROME F SHELDON, DIR. OF MEDICINE SHOPPE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MSII), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90257c0540 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JEROME F SHELDON, DIR. OF MEDICINE SHOPPE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MSII), SOLD 26,000 SHARES AT $23.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90257c0541 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JEROME F SHELDON, DIR. OF MEDICINE SHOPPE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MSII), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90257c0542 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JEROME F SHELDON, DIR. OF MEDICINE SHOPPE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MSII), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $23.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,525.

-30- 342
#90257c0544 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HOWARD W HINTON, OFFICER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), SOLD 274 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,469.

-30- 324
#90257c0545 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 175,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90257c0546 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 787,900 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90257c0547 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0548 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90257c0549 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90257c0550 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90257c0552 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90257c0553 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 50,400 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0554 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 65,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0555 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 24,900 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0556 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 21,900 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0557 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0558 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0560 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90257c0561 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90257c0562 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90257c0563 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 137,200 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90257c0564 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90257c0565 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 22,100 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0566 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90257c0568 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,490,200.

-30- 328
#90257c0569 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90257c0570 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90257c0571 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 264

#90257c0572 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 18,700 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90257c0573 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90257c0574 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 50,400 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90257c0576 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 24,900 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90257c0577 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 21,900 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90257c0578 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266

#90257c0579 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90257c0580 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90257c0581 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90257c0582 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90257c0584 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 137,200 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90257c0585 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264

#90257c0586 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 22,100 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90257c0587 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90257c0588 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 7,900 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90257c0589 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,490,200.

-30- 299
#90257c0590 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RICHARD J SHARPLES, OFFICER OF MAXUS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: MXS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,011.

-30- 322
#90257c0592 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES M BOLAND, VP OF NEOGEN CORP. (TICKER: NEOG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90257c0593 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CHARLES M BOLAND, VP OF NEOGEN CORP. (TICKER: NEOG), SOLD 7,125 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,750.

-30- 295
#90257c0594 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ROGER C FERGUSON, VP OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90257c0595 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROGER C FERGUSON, VP OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.84 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90257c0596 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROGER C FERGUSON, VP OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $10.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 215,000.

-30- 321
#90257c0597 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN F TALLMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90257c0598 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN F TALLMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN), BOUGHT 570 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,570.

-30- 326
#90257c0600 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90257c0601 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90257c0602 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90257c0603 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.54 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90257c0604 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90257c0605 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90257c0606 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90257c0608 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90257c0609 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90257c0610 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 1,221 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90257c0611 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 13,400 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90257c0612 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90257c0613 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 882,083.

-30- 306
#90257c0614 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BRYAN C HANSEN, PRES. OF NAPA VALLEY BANCORP. (TICKER: NVBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,310.

-30- 324
#90257c0616 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 25, 1990, STEPHEN E ONEIL, DIR. OF NOVACARE INC. (TICKER: NVCR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,050.

-30- 301
#90257c0617 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FRANK C BLODGETT, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,200.

-30- 319
#90257c0618 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JAYE F DYER, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90257c0619 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JAYE F DYER, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 307
#90257c0620 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LUELLA G GOLDBERG, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,845.

-30- 320
#90257c0621 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RICHARD M KOVACEVICH, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0622 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RICHARD M KOVACEVICH, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0624 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RICHARD M KOVACEVICH, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0625 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, RICHARD M KOVACEVICH, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,500.

-30- 325
#90257c0626 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN E PEARSON, CHAIRMAN OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90257c0627 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN E PEARSON, CHAIRMAN OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,554.

-30- 324
#90257c0628 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, STEVEN W WISHART, OFFICER OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,199.

-30- 324
#90257c0629 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 05, 1990, WALTER G VANBENTHUYSEN, VP OF THE QUAKER OATS CO. (TICKER: OAT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $45.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90257c0630 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 14, 1990, WALTER G VANBENTHUYSEN, VP OF THE QUAKER OATS CO. (TICKER: OAT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $50.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90257c0632 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CONSTANTINE G CARAS, DIR. OF OGDEN CORP. (TICKER: OG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,500.

-30- 299
#90257c0633 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES B BRIGGS, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), SOLD 19,000 SHARES AT $13.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90257c0634 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES B BRIGGS, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $13.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 208,684.

-30- 322
#90257c0635 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES D MOSELEY JR, DIR. OF ONE PRICE CLOTHING STORES INC. (TICKER: ONPR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,874.

-30- 345
#90257c0636 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, EDWARD A JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF OPTIMUMCARE CORP. (TICKER: OPMC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 339,380.

-30- 321
#90257c0637 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES W KERRIGAN, OFFICER OF PDA ENGINEERING (TICKER: PDAS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.57 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,813.

-30- 320
#90257c0638 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HOWARD S SCHILDHOUSE, OFFICER OF PROGRESSIVE CORP.(OH) (TICKER: PGR), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $49.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,538.

-30- 328
#90257c0640 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ANDREW S ROSEMORE, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $4.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 345,432.

-30- 360
#90257c0641 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, STEVEN C WALSKE, PRES. OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC), SOLD 16,500 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90257c0642 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, STEVEN C WALSKE, PRES. OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,000.

-30- 336
#90257c0643 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, THOMAS MARSHALL, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,095.

-30- 314
#90257c0644 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), SOLD 24,200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90257c0645 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), SOLD 17,154 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,071,150.

-30- 340
#90257c0646 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FREDERICK A KLINGENSTEIN, DIR. OF POGO PRODUCING CO. (TICKER: PPP), BOUGHT 97,400 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 669,492.

-30- 332
#90257c0648 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FREDERICK A KLINGENSTEIN, DIR. OF POGO PRODUCING CO. (TICKER: PPP), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,015,437.

-30- 338
#90257c0649 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, DENNIS C ODELL, VP OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $36.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,202.

-30- 291
#90257c0650 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, THOMAS S STELLINGER, OFFICER OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,599.

-30- 342
#90257c0651 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RICHARD A FISHER, CHAIRMAN OF QUADRAX CORP. (TICKER: QDRX), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90257c0652 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RICHARD A FISHER, CHAIRMAN OF QUADRAX CORP. (TICKER: QDRX), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 192,076.

-30- 314
#90257c0653 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ANDREW J MACGOWAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUADRAX CORP. (TICKER: QDRX), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90257c0654 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ANDREW J MACGOWAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUADRAX CORP. (TICKER: QDRX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 213,079.

-30- 331
#90257c0656 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, O WAYNE ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,405 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90257c0657 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, O WAYNE ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 8,104 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90257c0658 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, O WAYNE ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,762 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90257c0659 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, O WAYNE ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,405 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,810,219.

-30- 352
#90257c0660 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, KURT B KARMIN, CHAIRMAN OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90257c0661 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, KURT B KARMIN, CHAIRMAN OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90257c0662 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, KURT B KARMIN, CHAIRMAN OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90257c0664 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, KURT B KARMIN, CHAIRMAN OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 225,900.

-30- 351
#90257c0665 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DANIEL S BAGLEY III, DIR. OF SEAHAWK DEEP OCEAN TECHN INC. (TICKER: SDOT), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90257c0666 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DANIEL S BAGLEY III, DIR. OF SEAHAWK DEEP OCEAN TECHN INC. (TICKER: SDOT), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.64 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90257c0667 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DANIEL S BAGLEY III, DIR. OF SEAHAWK DEEP OCEAN TECHN INC. (TICKER: SDOT), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90257c0668 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DANIEL S BAGLEY III, DIR. OF SEAHAWK DEEP OCEAN TECHN INC. (TICKER: SDOT), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90257c0669 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DANIEL S BAGLEY III, DIR. OF SEAHAWK DEEP OCEAN TECHN INC. (TICKER: SDOT), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,745,000.

-30- 344
#90257c0670 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DANN V ANGELOFF, DIR. OF STORAGE EQUITIES INC. (TICKER: SEQ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90257c0672 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90257c0673 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90257c0674 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90257c0675 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90257c0676 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90257c0677 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,250.

-30- 325
#90257c0678 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLIAM E DARK, DIR. OF SWIFT ENERGY CO. (TICKER: SFY), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $12.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90257c0680 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VIRGIL N SWIFT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SWIFT ENERGY CO. (TICKER: SFY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90257c0681 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VIRGIL N SWIFT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SWIFT ENERGY CO. (TICKER: SFY), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90257c0682 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, VIRGIL N SWIFT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SWIFT ENERGY CO. (TICKER: SFY), SOLD 5,600 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 271,885.

-30- 333
#90257c0683 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PRESTON L SMITH, PRES. OF S.K.I LTD. (TICKER: SKII), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 661,505.

-30- 298
#90257c0684 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, COLORADO STATE BANK TTEE, TTEE OF SCOTTS LIQUID GOLD

INC. (TICKER: SLIQ), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.51 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 960,701.

-30- 349
#90257c0685 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, NATHANIEL L SILLS, DIR. OF STANDARD MOTOR PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: SMP), BOUGHT 23,200 SHARES AT $10.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90257c0686 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, NATHANIEL L SILLS, DIR. OF STANDARD MOTOR PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: SMP), BOUGHT 34,300 SHARES AT $10.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90257c0688 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN F SHEA JR, DIR. OF SOCIETY FOR SAVINGS BANCORP. (TICKER: SOCS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,153.

-30- 334
#90257c0689 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, W KENDRICK UPCHURCH JR, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 230 SHARES AT $17.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,268.

-30- 314
#90257c0690 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JAY S GOULD, VP OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $27.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 350.

-30- 302
#90257c0691 09/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WALTER J SALMON, DIR. OF THE STRIDE RITE CORP. (TICKER: SRR), SOLD 584 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,056.

-30- 307
#90257c0692 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROGER W STONE, CHAIRMAN OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000,365.

-30- 329
#90257c0693 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, WILLIAM T ODONNELL JR, CHAIRMAN OF SIERRA TUCSON COS INC. (TICKER: STSN), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,708,469.

-30- 343
#90257c0694 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, LUBRIZOL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYNTRO CORP. (TICKER: SYNT), SOLD 903,949 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50.

-30- 305
#90257c0696 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ALEXANDER V DARBELOFF, PRES. OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 8,800 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90257c0697 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ALEXANDER V DARBELOFF, PRES. OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90257c0698 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ALEXANDER V DARBELOFF, PRES. OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 939,465.

-30- 317
#90257c0699 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90257c0700 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90257c0701 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 13,300 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90257c0702 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90257c0704 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 38,500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90257c0705 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 30,400 SHARES AT $13.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90257c0706 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90257c0707 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90257c0708 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90257c0709 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90257c0710 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90257c0712 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90257c0713 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90257c0714 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90257c0715 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, TRW STOCK SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 23,364 SHARES AT $42.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0716 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, TRW STOCK SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 14,100 SHARES AT $42.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0717 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, TRW STOCK SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 14,500 SHARES AT $40.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0718 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, TRW STOCK SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $40.97 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0720 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, TRW STOCK SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 14,129 SHARES AT $40.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0721 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, TRW STOCK SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 21,500 SHARES AT $36.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0722 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TRW STOCK SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 13,500 SHARES AT $36.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0723 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TRW STOCK SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $37.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0724 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, TRW STOCK SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $38.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0725 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, TRW STOCK SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 10,466 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90257c0726 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, I UNIVERSAL EPST T, BEN. OWNER OF TEXAS INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: TXN), BOUGHT 16,046 SHARES AT $31.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90257c0728 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PHILIP SCHEIN, PRES. OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 24,700 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90257c0729 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PHILIP SCHEIN, PRES. OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0730 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PHILIP SCHEIN, PRES. OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90257c0731 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PHILIP SCHEIN, PRES. OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 9,200 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90257c0732 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MALCOLM R CURRIE, DIR. OF UNOCAL CORP. (TICKER: UCL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $32.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 299
#90257c0733 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RICHARD C GREEN JR, PRES. OF UTILICORP UNITED INC. (TICKER: UCU), BOUGHT 1,242 SHARES AT $16.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,433.

-30- 324
#90257c0734 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RONALD T NISHIMURA, PRES. OF UNIONFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UFF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,199.

-30- 331
#90257c0736 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GENE M BETTS, VP OF UNITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: UT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 324
#90257c0737 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, EARL R NICK, OFFICER OF UNITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: UT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 999.

-30- 330
#90257c0738 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM S DAVILA, PRES. OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 292,869.

-30- 320
#90257c0739 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MICHAEL F HENN, VP OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 329,638.

-30- 308
#90257c0740 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TIMOTHY P HORNE, CHAIRMAN OF WATTS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WATT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90257c0741 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FRED F CANNING, DIR. OF WALLACE COMPUTER SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WCS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 324
#90257c0742 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, THOMAS P KOWALSKI, OFFICER OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC. (TICKER: WHLS), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $2.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 325
#90257c0744 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, FRANCIS E FERGUSON, DIR. OF WICOR INC. (TICKER: WIC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90257c0745 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FRANCIS E FERGUSON, DIR. OF WICOR INC. (TICKER: WIC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $20.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 881.

-30- 297
#90257c0746 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ROBERT W PATIN, CHAIRMAN OF WASHINGTON NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: WNT), BOUGHT 106 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,068.

-30- 327
#90257c0747 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ROBERT W PATIN, CHAIRMAN OF WASHINGTON NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: WNT), BOUGHT 145 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,345.

-30- 325
#90257c0748 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, KENNETH S MARTIN, OFFICER OF WTD INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WTDI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 311
#90257c0749 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, TORE STEEN, OFFICER OF WTD INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WTDI), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90257c0750 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, TORE STEEN, OFFICER OF WTD INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER:

WTDI), BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 302
#90257c0752 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, PETER T BOWER, OFFICER OF WYMAN-GORDON CO. (TICKER: WYMN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 314
#90257c0753 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JACK R INGRAM, PRES. OF XETA CORP. (TICKER: XETA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90257c0754 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JACK R INGRAM, PRES. OF XETA CORP. (TICKER: XETA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90257c0755 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JACK R INGRAM, PRES. OF XETA CORP. (TICKER: XETA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90257c0756 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JACK R INGRAM, PRES. OF XETA CORP. (TICKER: XETA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,500.

-30- 295
#90257c0757 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PATRICK J SCANNON, PRES. OF XOMA CORP. (TICKER: XOMA), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90257c0758 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PATRICK J SCANNON, PRES. OF XOMA CORP. (TICKER: XOMA), SOLD 8,125 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,056.

-30- 300
#90257c0760 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY N.R. TRUST OWNS 303,181 SHARES (11.10%) OF CONTINENTAL BANCORP (TICKER: CBRP) OF LAUREL SPRINGS, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 385
#90257c0761 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

CAP ADVISERS LTD OWNS 211,700 SHARES (4.20%) OF TAUNTON TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: TTEK) OF MONROE, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 12, 1990, CAP Advisers ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than 5 percent of the common stock of Taunton Technologies Inc.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 12, 1990, CAP America disposed of 42,400 shares of common stock of Taunton Technologies Inc. at a price of $6.63 per share in a private placement.

-30- 650

#90257c0762 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 427,224 SHARES (11.20%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 6 through Sept. 11, 1990, Fidelity International LTD, FISL/FASST, purchased 74,000 shares at a price of $6.59 to $6.97 per share.

-30- 489
#90257c0763 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY KELSO MANAGEMENT CO INC OWNS 427,224 SHARES (11.20%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 5 through Sept. 12, 1990, Kelso Management Co. Inc. purchased 92,085 shares at a price of $6.59 to $7.12 per share.

-30- 484
#90257c0764 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

C.H. HOWARD OWNS 2,010,703 SHARES (31.00%) OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC (TICKER: CARN) OF IRVING, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

During the current month, two broker-dealers, as pledgees, have sold an aggregate of 22,000 shares of common stock, following margin calls pursuant to the default provisions of the agreements under which Howard had pledged such shares. Howard has been advised by three broker-dealers, which have made

margin calls that Howard did not meet, that such broker-dealers intend to sell up to an estimated 44,300 additional shares of common stock previously pledged by Howard. Also, Howard has pledged to the Partnership shares of his personal common stock as security for his obligation to repurchase the limited partnership interest of the limited partners of the Partnership. The beneficially owned shares include warrants to purchase an additional 6,339 shares of common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 12, 1990, Mr. Howard sold 5,000 shares of common stock at a price of $9.25 per share and from June 26 through June 27, 1990, he purchased, in open market transactions, 12,000 shares of common stock at a price of $22.50 to $23.75 per share.

-30- 1406
#90257c0765 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY L. CAMEL JR OWNS 4,814,000 SHARES (66.46%) OF GOLD COIN MINING INC (TICKER: GLCN) OF SPOKANE, WA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In addition to 3,650,000 shares of Gold Coin Mining Inc. issued or to be issued to L. Camel Jr. in exchange for 1,000 shares of Dolphin Inc. stock, L. Camel Jr. have been granted proxies to vote 1,164,000 shares of Gold Coin Mining Inc. to authorize, among other things, amendment of Gold Coin Mining Inc.'s articles of incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares to 400,000,000; the merger of PDC Industrial Coatings Inc. with Gold Coin Mining Inc.; and the election of new directors of Gold Coin Mining Inc. In connection with the proposed merger, L. Camel Jr. will receive additional stock of Gold Coin Mining Inc. in exchange for PDC stock which they own, and L. Camel Jr. intend to vote in favor of the merger which is expected to be completed within the next 270 days. The proxy is valid until July 26, 1991.

PURPOSE:

To acquire control of Gold Coin Mining Inc.

-30- 1242
#90257c0766 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Palette ACQ Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of ASK Computer Systems Inc., has made a tender offer to purchase all common shares of Ingres Corp. (TICKER: RELY) at $9.25 per share pursuant to an offer to purchase dated Sept. 14, 1990.

-30- 453
#90257c0768 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY H.M. HOFFMAN TRUSTEE OWNS 675,200 SHARES (10.60%) OF H.H. ROBERTSON CO (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The estate of Anthony Pedone has withdrawn from the group made up of DAK Securities Corp., Douglas Kass, H.H.R. Acquisition Corp. and the estate. The group had previously held an aggregate of 997,500 shares, representing 15.7 percent, including the shares held by H.M. Hoffman Trustee. On Aug. 17, 1990, Anthony Pedone died and H.M. Hoffman Trustee became the executors of the estate. The estate is continuing to have discussions with the remaining members of the group with respect to participating in the proxy solicitation proposed by the group.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

H.M. Hoffman Trustee sold 128,400 shares on Sept. 11, 1990.

PURPOSE: Withdrawal of the estate from the group.

-30- 1044
#90257c0769 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.S. REIBEL OWNS 568,852 SHARES (5.10%) OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD (TICKER: PY) OF WILTON, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.S. Reibel received 244,116 shares on Sept. 6, 1990 as a dividend from Four Winds Inc. and purchased 324,625 shares for $7.53 per share in a public offering of 3 million shares of stock owned by Four Winds pursuant to a prospectus dated Sept. 6, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 620
#90257c0770 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

NEWELL CO OWNS 675,000 SHARES (5.60%) OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP (TICKER: LANC) OF COLUMBUS, OH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 10, 1990, Newell filed a notification under the HSR Act seeking permission to acquire in excess of $15 million, up to 15 percent, of Lancaster Colony Corp. In 1986 Newell acquire the assets of the aluminum cookware division of the company and more recently, the CEOs of Newell and Newell Co. have discussed the possible advantages of combining all or part of their glassware businesses.

PURPOSE:

Filing of notification seeking permission to acquire up to 15 percent of Lancaster Colony Corp.

-30- 829
#90257c0771 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY BRANDES & SINGER OF PALO ALTO, CA OWNS 3,430,776 SHARES (13.60%) OF COOPER CO INC (TICKER: COO) OF MENLO PARK, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Brandes & Singer purchased 150,253 shares from Aug. 14 to Sept. 12, 1990 for $2 to $2.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 486
#90257c0772 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY N. PELZ OWNS 50,939,181 SHARES (87.80%) OF AVERY INC (TICKER: AVRY) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 5, 1990, N. Peltz entered into a memorandum of understanding settling the action challenging their proposal to acquire the remaining shares of Avery Inc. for $.35 per share. N. Peltz have agreed to increase their offer to $.43 per share and is subject to pretrial discovery proceedings and to the consummation of a merger of Avery with a company owned by N. Peltz.

PURPOSE:

Settlement of N. Peltz's court action.

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#90257c0773 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The HSR waiting period for the offer expired on Sept. 12, 1990.

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#90257c0775 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,879,600 SHARES

(60.00%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990 WG B acquired 116,4000 shares of Cass B stock as a result of a capital contribution of such shares to WG B by Dorothy Dann Collins, who became a general partner of WG B on Sept. 6, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 23, 1990, Walsh Greenwood & Co. purchased 32,600 shares of Class A common stock for an undisclosed consideration.

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#90257c0777 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 588,900 SHARES (76.39%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990 WG B acquired 116,4000 shares of Cass B stock as a result of a capital contribution of such shares to WG B by Dorothy Dann Collins, who became a general partner of WG B on Sept. 6, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 23, 1990, Walsh Greenwood & Co. purchased 32,600 shares of Class A common stock for an undisclosed consideration.

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#90257c0778 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

EAST ROCK PARTNERS LP OWNS 105,700 SHARES (3.90%) OF A P GREEN INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: APGI).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 4, 1990 East Rock Partners LP sold 53,500 shares at a price of $23.50 to $23.75 per share.

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#90257c0779 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 31, 1990, control Techniques USA entered into an option agreement, dated as of Aug. 29, 1990, among control Techniques USA, the shareholder and other persons, pursuant to which Control Techniques USA agreed that on or prior to Sept. 5, 1990, Control Techniques USA would deliver in writing an offer to Electronic Control Systems Inc. (TICKER: ELCS) proposing a merger of Control Techniques USA or an affiliate of Control Techniques USA with Electronic Control Systems Inc. On Sept. 5, 1990, Control Techniques USA delivered a letter to Electronic Control Systems Inc.'s board setting forth the offer which terminates on Sept. 29, 1990, and on Sept. 10, 1990, Control Techniques USA forwarded to Electronic Control Systems Inc. a form of merger agreement for its consideration.

PURPOSE:

Option agreement.

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#90257c0781 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 4,744,710 SHARES (9.75%) OF KEMPER CORP (TICKER: KEM) OF LONG GROVE, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 22 through 31, 1990, Fidelity International LTD purchased 4,100 shares at a price of $29.75 per share and sold 7,600 shares at a price of $29.75 to $33.70.

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#90257c0782 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

NECO ENTERPRISES INC OF PROVIDENCE, RI OWNS 140,000 SHARES (5.12%) OF GREAT BAY BANKSHARES INC (TICKER: GBBS) OF DOVER, NH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between April 9 and Sept. 11, 1990 Neco Enterprises purchased 140,000 shares at $6.38 to $7.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90257c0783 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 13, 1990 the sale by USA Holdings of the 1,035,461 shares representing a 44.3 percent interest in Wiener Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: WPB) was consummated. As a result of the sale, Boots Co. PLC no longer hold any common stock.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

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#90257c0784 09/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 1,972,728 SHARES (6.32%) OF KANSAS GAS & ELECTRIC (TICKER: KSGE) OF WICHITA, KS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 17 and July 24, 1990 FMR Corp. purchased 203,200 shares at $19.72 to $24.84 each. Between July 10 and Aug. 14, 1990 FMR Corp. sold 472,400 shares at $19.63 to $25.06 per share.

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#90257d4010 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (SEPT. 14) - South Korea's GoldStar Co. Ltd is to set up a joint venture with Indonesia's Astra Group in the suburbs of Jakarta to produce color televisions and refrigerators, a GoldStar spokesman said Friday.

Under an agreement signed in Jakarta on Thursday, GoldStar and Astra will invest a total of 14 million dollars on a 50-50 basis.

The plant will have an annual production capacity of 150,000 TV sets and 70,000 refrigerators. Production will start in mid-1991, he said.

GoldStar plans to develop the joint venture into a comprehensive electronics operation exporting to Southeast Asian countries.

The plant, GoldStar's ninth overseas joint venture, will spare GoldStar high tariff rates for exports of major parts into Indonesia and will allow it to sell more under its own brand name.

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#90257d4030 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WELLINGTON (SEPT. 14) - The Soviet Union still owes New Zealand 25 million New Zealand dollars (15 million U.S.) for wool exports, a marketing official said here Friday.

Executive manager for the New Zealand Council of Wool Exporters Bill Carter said the outstanding wool debt was of major concern.

He said the Soviets had just said they were sorry, but they could not pay.

Moscow had not made a wool payment to New Zealand since June, though Mr. Carter understood it had used a European credit line to make a recent South American payment.

"The Soviet Union is not bankrupt. It is not a Mexico, Argentina or Brazil, but its political and economic structure is falling to pieces, its economic structure is paralysed," he said.

The Soviet Union has been New Zealand's second biggest single customer for

wool behind China in the past, taking 15 to 17 per cent of the clip, worth up to 300 NZ million dollars (186 million U.S.) a season.

Moscow also owes money for New Zealand butter exports which Dairy Board spokesman Neville Martin said ran to "several millions". It was board policy not to specify the amount, he said.

The Soviets had continued to make butter payments -- the most recent was last week -- but they were way behind, Mr. Martin said.

"It's been understood for some time that it (getting paid) would be a struggle. We have had to chip, chip, and chip, but we have faith that we will be paid."

The head of the Soviet trade mission in New Zealand, Alexandr Kovalev, said there was nothing positive he could say at this stage.

The Soviet Union was undergoing enormous change and the transition to a market-led economy was painful, he said.

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#90257d4080 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 14) - South Korea's trade deficit will balloon above initial expectations to five billion dollars this year, due to the Gulf crisis, floods and other factors, the Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI) said Friday.

The director general of MTI's trade bureau, Hwang Doo-Yun, said the government had changed its trade balance forecast for the third time this year due to unforeseen events, raising the expected deficit.

Forecasts at the beginning of the year that the deficit would be two billion dollars were revised in June to four billion dollars.

The expected trade deficit in 1990 will be the first since 1985. Last year South Korea posted a 4.5 billion dollar trade surplus.

"Our exports will be sluggish for many reasons," Mr. Hwang said in an interview. Imports will be higher than 70 billion dollars, against exports of at most 65 billion dollars, he said.

Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and its subsequent annexation have substantially increased the international price of oil. South Korea imports all its oil and depends on it for 54 per cent of its energy needs.

"Our oil bill has gone up," Mr. Hwang said. "The Gulf crisis has not only affected Iraq and Kuwait, but other neighboring countries as well."

South Korea's main trade partners, Japan, the United States and the European Economic Community, have also been holding back on imports, adding to South Korea's woes, Mr. Hwang said.

"If you look at U.S. imports for the first half of the year, they were very slow," he said. "Japan and the EC have visible and invisible trade barriers... footwear and home appliances are under restriction."

In addition, floods caused by torrential rains this week are expected to further affect exports, the ministry said. Raw materials and industrial plants in Seoul's surrounding region, where most of the rain fell from late Saturday to late Tuesday, were submerged by the floods.

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#90257d4160 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 14) - The National Australia Bank (NAB) announced Friday a 0.25 percent cut in its prime interest rate to 16.75 per cent from September 24.

The NAB said in a statement that lower interest rates were possible because the cost of funds had fallen since the Reserve (central) Bank eased monetary policy in August.

But the bank's charges are higher than those of the government-run Commonwealth Bank, which earlier this week cut its prime rate 0.5 percentage points to 16.5 percent.

Treasurer Paul Keating recently accused the banks of failing to follow the Reserve Bank's lead in cutting interest rates.

The NAB also said it would cut its floating home loan rate from 16.25 per cent to 16 percent from October 1.

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#90257d4180 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 14) - New Zealand's terms of trade, a measure of the purchasing power of the country's exports, were at their highest level since June 1974, Finance Minister David Caygill said Friday.

"As a trading nation that means we are in a stronger position than for any other time in the last 16 years," he said in a statement.

He was reacting to Friday's release by Government Statistician Steve Kuzmicich figures showing that the index for the year ended June 1990 increased by 3.2 per cent to 1175, the highest annual level since the trade year ending June 1974 when the index stood at 1447.

But the index fell 1.8 per cent in the June quarter from the March quarter. Mr. Caygill said this fall and an expected further decline in the next quarter was due to increased oil prices.

"It is important to keep in mind that any fall in our terms of trade due to the oil shock will be from a relatively high level. There is also some evidence to suggest that any decline may not be as significant as first thought," he said.

He said Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait had reduced world oil refining capacity, causing the price of refined petroleum to increase by more than the price of crude oil.

"As New Zealand exports synthetic fuel and imports crude oil the price, but not volume, indices will move in our favour", he said.

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#90257d4210 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 14) - Japan's overall wholesale prices rose 0.3 percent in August from July and 1.1 percent from a year earlier, the Bank of Japan said Friday.

The central bank said that it was the first monthly rise in four months.

Bank officials attributed the rise to the increased cost of crude oil and other imported products.

Domestic wholesale prices went up 0.2 per from July and 0.6 percent from the same month of 1989.

Import wholesale prices were up 1.3 percent from a month earlier and 3.6 percent from a year ago.

Export wholesale prices declined 0.1 percent from July but rose 2.5 per cent from a year before, the bank said.

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#90257d4310 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 14) - Consumer prices in France rose 0.6 per cent in August, the statistical office INSEE reported Friday.

Inflation is now running at an annual rate of 3.5 per cent, with prices rising 2.5 per cent since the beginning of the year.

Before the Gulf crisis and the steep rise in oil prices, INSEE had predicted

an inflation rate for 1990 of 3.1 per cent.

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#90257d4380 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ATHENS (SEPT. 14) - Customs officers have arrested a drug trafficker carrying 20 kilograms (44 pounds) of cocaine worth 130 million dollars in a suitcase, police announced Friday.

Brazilian-born Zaffan Gahlil, aged 59, was arrested Thursday night at Athens airport as he prepared to fly to Lebanon, where he lived. The cocaine originated in Brazil and was to be processed in Lebanon for sale in Western Europe, the police said.

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#90257d4390 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
COLOMBO (SEPT. 14) - Fierce hand-to-hand fighting raged Friday between government troops and Tamil rebels as the death toll rose to 175 in the battle for the Jaffna fort army camp in northern Sri Lanka, officials said.

A military spokesman here said that troops killed more than 150 guerrillas of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) in their offensive to break a rebel siege of the fort from early Thursday but admitted heavy casualties on the government side.

He said that the surprise assault on rebel targets in the fort area cost an air force pilot and 24 soldiers including five officers killed and 130 wounded.

Fierce hand-to-hand fighting was continuing in the area, the spokesman said, adding that the close quarter battle erupted after troops engaged in intense house-to-house combat near the old colonial fort.

Colombo claimed that it broke the three-month siege of the fort Thursday after landing some 400 troops by powered rubber dinghies from the nearby military-controlled Mandativu island on the Jaffna peninsula.

But a spokesman from the LTTE's Paris office told Agence France-Presse by telephone that the fort was still under siege and "heavy fighting was going on" in the area.

Officials said that most of the army units were moved into the Dutch-built fort to relieve the siege which "rescued and saved from death" more than 200 soldiers and policemen holed up inside the camp since June 11.

The large-scale military operation was the first such assault in the vicinity of the imposing 17th century fort which is surrounded by many fortified bunkers from where rebels have been firing mortar rounds and rockets into the

camp.

The air force pilot was killed when his bomber crashed into the Jaffna lagoon during the three-pronged onslaught involving ground, air and sea units, officials said.

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#90257d4440 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 14) - Saudi Arabia Friday accepted its first shipment of Australian live sheep following continued rejections since April, livestock officials said.

David Coombes, spokesman for the Australian Meat and Livestock Corp. (AMLC), said the 63,000 sheep were the first accepted since recent guidelines were set up to allow the trade to resume.

But Mr. Coombes said that following the recent hiccups the trade would probably not reach its peak of three million animals a year achieved in 1988.

"No figure is being talked about but we expect substantially less than that," he said.

Live sheep exports to Saudi Arabia recently ceased after Riyadh banned four shipments totalling 172,000 sheep, claiming the animals were either too old or sick.

Mr. Coombes said that no sheep over three years old would be exported and tougher screening for scabby mouth and foot rot would be carried out before the sheep left Australia.

Australia stopped selling live sheep to Saudi Arabia for four months last year following the Saudis' rejection in 1989 of six boatloads of sheep totalling 395,000 animals.

The usual reason given is scabby mouth disease which Canberra has claimed "is not a serious disease."

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#90257d4540 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 14) - Thai Airways International (THAI) airline has signed a contract to buy five new BAE 146-300 aircraft worth 128 million U.S. dollars from British Aerospace, a THAI spokeswoman said here Friday.

The spokeswoman said the contract was signed Wednesday in Hong Kong by THAI's President Air Chief Marshal Weera Kitchathorn and Dewi Rowlands, executive vice president of marketing and sales at British Aerospace Commercial Aircraft

Airlines Division.

The first of the new aircraft is to be delivered next May, she said.

THAI's new BAE 146-300s will be equipped with a number of advanced features including an Electronic Flight Instrument System which displays information to the flight crew using CRTs (television screens) as opposed to electro-mechanical instruments.

Currently, the airline has five BAE 146s, four Series 300s and one Series 100, which were acquired on lease in 1989 and have been used to introduce jet services to some of Thailand's principal regional centers, the spokeswoman said.

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#90257d4550 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 14) - Australia's rubber manufacturer Pacific Dunlop reported a 14 percent rise in its annual profit result on Friday to 300.5 million Australian dollars (248 million U.S.) for the year to June 30.

The company reported that gross operating profit rose 8.7 percent to 410.4 million dollars (339 million U.S.).

The rise in the net result, which compared to 263 million dollars (217 million U.S.) previously, was achieved despite a downturn in the Australian economy, chairman Leslie Froggatt said, adding he was confident the company was well placed for the future.

"Whilst the Australian economy was going through a difficult period, Pacific Dunlop had finished the year an even leaner and more competitive company.

"Directors are confident of Pacific Dunlop's ability to perform creditably in the current difficult Australian economy and uncertain world environment."

"Major rationalisation and restructuring has since improved economies of scale in Australia and provided greater flexibility in product sourcing," he said of the Australian operations Pacific Brands.

"Ansell maintained its world market leadership in latex and synthetic glove products despite a period of market instability which lead to product oversupply and severe price competition.

"Ansell is in the process of opening a new plant in Sri Lanka, its sixth in Asia," he said.

The group's sales jumped 12 percent to five billion dollars (4.1 billion U.S.).

Gearing (net interest bearing borrowings to shareholder's funds) was cut from 61.1 percent to 46.5 percent at balance date this year.

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#90257d4560 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 14) - The Liberian rebel faction led by Prince Johnson said Friday it had driven away the rival movement of Charles Taylor and captured the presidential executive mansion in the capital Monrovia, the BBC reported.

Mr. Johnson's Independent National Patriotic Front said it was also holding hostage 60 soldiers of the West African peacekeeping force so as to oblige the Economic Community of West African States ''to take more decisive action''.

ECOWAS supplied the five-nation force, and Mr. Johnson, who named himself President at the weekend after his rebels killed President Samuel Doe, has welcomed its arrival.

The BBC said the rebels had massacred members of Mr. Doe's tribe.

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#90257d4570 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 14) - South Korea's car exports will increase by an average of 11.5 per cent annually over the next decade, topping one million units by the year 2000, a report obtained Thursday said.

The report by the state-backed Korea Institute for Economics and Technology (KIET), an influential think tank, said that South Korea's automobile exports would reach 450,000 units next year.

The report was based on a survey of South Korea's five car makers, commissioned by the local car manufacturers' association.

It also said that South Korea's annual car production capacity would reach 2.2 million units by 1995 if expansion plans by the country's five automakers are carried out as scheduled.

This would cause a market glut with an oversupply of 600,000 cars in 1995, the report said.

Due to efforts by local auto manufacturers to diversify markets, the United States and Canada will absorb by the year 2000 only 67 percent of South Korea's car exports, down from 79 percent in 1989.

However, South Korean cars would achieve a 6.3 percent market share in the United States in the year 2000, almost double the 3.4 percent in 1989.

In Western Europe, the market share is expected to reach 1.1 percent in 2000, up from 0.2 percent in 1989.

The domestic automobile market will expand by 10 percent, with domestic demand reaching two million units in 1995 and 3.2 million in 2000, the report said.

An official of the Ministry of Trade and Industry said however that "this report draws too rosy a picture."

During the first eight months to August this year, South Korea exported 181,502 automobiles, including 177,652 passenger cars, 16.2 percent down from the same period last year, the official said.

Though car exports were on the increase in the beginning of 1990's second half this year's industry target of 370,000 units will not be easy to achieve, he said.

Industrial sources said that South Korean cars, which once enjoyed booming sales in the United States, have lost much of their competitive edge.

The price gap between South Korean-made compact cars and their Japanese counterparts has been reduced from 1,000 dollars for each to less than 500 dollars, the official said.

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#90257d4610 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (SEPT. 14) - Some 41,000 people displaced by the Gulf crisis are still stranded in Jordan, while another 16,900 others have already been evacuated in 61 flights, according to United Nations figures released Friday.

The office of the U.N. Disaster Relief Coordinator (UNDRO) said the Jordanian government has asked for urgent cash contributions to cover the costs of water food and transportation for the refugees.

It said 34,000 people should be repatriated "in two to three weeks".

More than 85 million dollars so far have been contributed to help the refugees fleeing Iraq and occupied Kuwait, including 42.5 million used to pay repatriation costs and 42.6 million for relief aid, UNDRO said.

These figures, however, did not cover the cost of additional services and goods volunteered in helping the refugees.

UNDRO said overall there had been a "generous" response to the different appeals, but said an additional 12 million dollars must still be found because of the "rapidly changing situation".

This new sum would go primarily towards providing temporary shelters, medical equipment, water and urgently needed sanitary facilities to avoid the spread of disease, UNDRO said.

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#90257d4620 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (SEPT. 14) - Inflation in Portugal is likely to total 13 per cent in 1990, Finance Minister Miguel Beleza has forecast here. In 1989 the rate was 12.7 percent.

Mr. Beleza said on Thursday that the government would reduce its investment in non-financial state-owned companies by 15 percent in 1991 in order to make resources available for the private sector.

But state companies would receive 20 percent of money raised through past privatisation programmes.

This money, estimated to total 36 billion escudos (257 million dollars), was likely to be attributed mainly to the transport sector including railways, urban transport and underground railways.

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#90257d4640 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 14) - John Elliott's Harlin Holdings Friday announced plans to sell a 19.99 percent stake in brewing and agricultural giant Elders IXL to Japan's Asahi Breweries for 960 million Australian dollars (792 million U.S.).

Harlin said in a statement it would sell 446.6 million shares of the world's fourth largest brewer at 2.15 dollars each.

Elders shares closed Friday at 1.56 dollars before the Harlin release.

Analysts said the deal would reduce debt-laden Harlin's stake in Elders to 35 percent, or 46 percent on a diluted basis.

"It's a major breakthrough," Viktor Shvets of Baring Securities said. "It will give a greater degree of stability to Elders."

The move is subject to goverment approval in Japan and Australia, said Harlin, the company used last year as a management takeover vehicle by Elders chairman Mr. Elliott and other Elders executives.

Concern about Harlin debt, estimated at 2.85 billion dollars (2.35 billion U.S.), has undermined Elders shares which in August sagged to a three year low of 1.35 dollars.

Elders, anxious to avoid debt problems, had earlier this year announced that it would sell its resources and finance arms, float its agricultural business and keep its brewing assets under the name of its main beer Fosters'.

Analysts have tipped that the June sale of its resources arm and abnormal losses incurred by its agricultural division could result in Elders losing one billion dollars (830 million U.S.) for the year to June 30.

Mr. Shvets said that the sale would give Elders more time to proceed with its assets sales but that "Harlin was not yet out of the woods.

"Harlin will still be funding deficient but the level of this deficiency will be greatly reduced," he said.

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#90257d4660 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 14) - China's chemical industry production fell by two per cent in August compared to July, following a 15.9 per cent drop over the previous monthly period, the China Daily said Friday.

However, the sector's output reached 1.3 billion dollars in August, up by 2.7 per cent over the same month last year, the official English-language newspaper added, quoting China's Ministry of Chemical Industry.

From January to August this year, the chemical industry's output came to 11 billion dollars, up by 5.4 per cent on the corresponding period in 1989, the newspaper said.

Ministry officials blamed the output fall in August, against July, on weak domestic demand, and on a shortage of capital and electricity, the newspaper said.

But customs statistics showed chemical exports rose to 1.6 billion dollars in the first six months of 1990, up by 14 per cent on the same period last year, the daily said.

Chemical imports fell by 24.8 per cent to 2.98 billion dollars over the same period, it added.

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#90257d4810 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Moscow (SEPT. 14) - An explosion and fire at a Soviet plant for nuclear fuels spewed toxic substances into the air and sent clouds of black smoke over the city of Ust-Kamenogorsk near the Chinese border, according to reports here Friday.

Many of the 500,000 residents fled the city in panic, and pedestrians and motorists were seen wearing gas masks following the explosion in the Kazakhstan republic. The plant processes highly poisonous beryllium, said a report in Izvestia.

Initial reports said several people were injured but no one died in what was believed to have been an explosion of hydrogen gas. Several government commissions had been set to work to establish just how big the accident had been.

Elsewhere in Kazakhstan, an explosion at a coal-fired power plant killed three people and critically injuring four others, according to Pravda Friday. The blast and subsequent fire occurred Wednesday at the Ekibatos plant.

Leaking hydrogen produced an explosion so powerful that one turbine was blown apart, the paper said.

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#90257d4870 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (SEPT. 14) - General Vo Nguyen Giap, Vietnam's deputy prime minister, will visit China this weekend, the foreign ministry said here Friday.

The visit, at the invitation of the Beijing Asian Games Organizing Committee, would be the first to China by a Vietnamese official of Gen. Giap's rank since the border war between China and Vietnam in early 1979.

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#90257d4910 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (SEPT. 14) - The first combined balance of payments figures for East and West Germany showed a surplus of 628 million Deutsche marks (400 million dollars) in July, according to provisional figures issued Friday by the Bundesbank.

It is the first time the central bank has published figures covering both East and West Germany, where the Deutsche mark became the official currency on July 1.

In June West Germany alone had a balance of payments surplus of almost 1.3 billion Deutsche marks.

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#90257d5200 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (SEPT. 14) - Two ethnic Albanians were killed and a policeman seriously injured overnight when police tried to make an identity check on a car in Kosovo province, Tanjug news agency said.

The incident occurred one day after two other people died in a shootout between police and residents in a Kosovo village deeply hostile to Serbia, which controls the province.

Thursday night's clash was on the road from Klina to Pristina. Tanjug said the police tried to stop the car to make an identity check, when its occupants opened fire, injuring the policeman.

A second policeman then fired back, killing the two Albanians, according to the agency.

The earlier shooting had occurred in the village of Palatna near the northern city of Podujevo, when police arrived at dawn to search for illegal arms, Radio Belgrade reported. Twenty-five people suspected of taking part in the shoot-out were being questioned.

Twenty-three people were arrested and an unspecified quantity of arms seized in a similar search Monday night in the nearby village of Trnava.

Kosovo's majority ethnic Albanians object to the province's control by the Republic of Serbia. Tension has risen following Serbia's decision to dissolve the Kosovo parliament on July 5 after it proclaimed Kosovo's independence from Serbia and asked to be considered a full republic.

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#90257d5230 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) - Philip Morris and R.J. Reynolds have announced a deal to supply billions of cigarettes to the Soviet Union, whose smokers are enduring a severe cigarette shortage.

Philip Morris said Thursday it had signed an agreement with the Russian republic to provide 20 billion cigarettes, including Marlboros and other well-known brands, by the end of next year. The shipments will begin at the end of this month.

The company, which described the order as the biggest in its history, said it would be paid in hard currency and in counter trade items, which it did not specify.

"The Soviet Union is the third-largest cigarette market in the world, and we are pleased to help satisfy Russian consumers' pent-up demand," said Aleardo Buzzi, president and chief executive of Philip Morris International.

R.J. Reynolds Tobacco International Inc., a subsidiary of RJR Nabisco Inc., said it signed a separate agreement to supply the Soviet Union with 14 billion cigarettes, including Winston and other brands, over the next year.

Neither company disclosed disclosed the value of their respective deals.

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#90257d5260 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANGELES, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 14) - A retired American airman was found murdered here Friday after a fire gutted his home in this northern city, police and fire department officials said.

Investigators suspect that retired Air Force Master Sergeant John Floyd, 47, was killed by his 20-year-old Filipino brother-in-law, Roberto Villaester, who burned down the house before fleeing.

Mr. Floyd's Filipina wife, Aida, said her brother and her husband had been fighting at their house late Thursday and that she had gone to summon district officials to help pacify them.

But when they returned to the house, they found it aflame, she said.

Mr. Floyd's body was found in the ruins the next day. An autopsy showed he had suffered a stab wound in the chest and a fractured skull from a blow.

Lawmen are searching for Mr. Villaester in the nearby province of Bulacan.

-30- 1068

#90257d5280 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 14) - Mine production of lead was up nearly four percent during the first seven months of 1990 compared with the same period of last year, but zinc mine output was only slightly higher.

The latest statistics released by the International Lead and Zinc Study Group (ILZSG) showed that lead mine production increased by 3.8 percent to 1.352 million tons in January-July 1990, as output in Australia continued to expand.

Mine output of zinc was only 0.5 percent higher at 2.967 million tons, with decreases in Europe and Canada balanced by rises in Australia and the United States.

Production of refined lead fell by nearly 3 percent to 2.491 million tonnes, while consumption remained slightly above the 1989 level at 2.565 million tons.

Production of refined zinc showed a small increase to 3.011 million tons, but consumption weakened by nearly 2 percent to 2.976 million tons.

Stocks of refined lead held by producers totalled 165,000 tons at the end of July, a monthly fall of 14,000 tons. But producer-held stocks of zinc

increased by 8,000 tons during July to 311,000 tons, halting the continuous fall seen since the beginning of the year.

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JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 14) - South Africa's Finance Minister Barend du Plessis will leave for Europe Saturday on his way to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) meeting in Washington later this month, his office said Friday.

In Europe, he will meet bankers and business leaders in Germany, France and the United Kingdom and will address an international business conference in London on September 20, a statement said.

The IMF-World Bank meeting in Washington begins on September 25. Mr. Du Plessis will attend in his capacity as a governor of the IMF and governor of the South African Reserve Bank, Dr. Chris Stals will attend as a governor of the World Bank, the statement said.

Other members of the South African delegation include Dr. Jan Lombard, senior deputy governor of the Reserve Bank, James Cross, head of the gold and foreign exchange division of the Reserve Bank, Dr. Piet Koornhof, the South African ambassador to Washington, Gerhard Croeser, director-general of Finance, and Dr. Frans le Roux, South Africa's permanent representative at the IMF.

Mr. Du Plessis is expected to return to South Africa on October 3.

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#90257d5310 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT. 14) - The West African troops sent to Liberia to end the nine-month civil war ''have been given new orders to fight back advancing rebels'', the Nigerian government paper Daily Times reported Friday.

The five-nation monitoring group raised by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) was originally instructed to be strictly neutral, but has been under attack by the main rebel force led by Charles Taylor. In addition, the rival rebel faction of Prince Johnson has taken some soldiers hostage.

Quoting military sources, the paper said the 4,000-strong force would now ''resist Charles Taylor's rebels''. It added that the troops were now considered a ''peace-enforcing force'' and no longer a ''peacekeeping force''.

In Banjul, Gambian Foreign Minister Omar Sey left for Guinea-Bissau and the Cape Verde islands to brief their governments on the ECOWAS operation, and reliable sources said Bissau might supply a contingent.

Gambia is currently ECOWAS chairman. The minister was accompanied by its executive secretary Abass Bundu.

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#90257d5320 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SRINAGAR, INDIA (SEPT. 14) - Kashmiri militants opened fire on a Central Reserve Police Force (CPRF) post in the border town of Barramullah late Thursday, killing one Indian trooper and wounding 10, police sources said Friday.

The sources said the attackers used light rockets and machine guns in the half-hour engagement, which left the post heavily damaged, but there was no immediate official confirmation of the report.

The sources said the wounded had been brought to Srinagar, summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir and urban hub of the violent secessionist movement in India's only Moslem majority state.

In Srinagar city and the surrounding valley, transporters struck for the third straight day demanding a thorough enquiry into the shootout between troops and militants Tuesday in which explosives blew up a bus killing some 29 of the 54 passengers aboard, four of them militants.

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#90257d5460 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 14) - Japan will send an advance medical team to Saudi Arabia to evaluate the need for medical personnel in the region, the Japanese Foreign Ministry said Friday.

The 17-member team, scheduled to leave Tokyo Tuesday, is part of a larger group of 100 doctors and nurses that Japan pledged to send to the Gulf as part of its aid programme announced by Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu on August 29.

Japan was making a "positive contribution in personnel" to the multinational force deployed in the Gulf to enforce the embargo on Iraq, foreign affairs spokesman Taizo Watanabe said.

Part of the advance team would remain in the Gulf, while the others would report back to the Japanese authorities on the situation in the region, Mr. Watanabe said.

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#90257d5470 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 14) - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze may again visit Japan before Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev makes his first trip to

the country in April next year, Soviet diplomatic sources said Friday.

"The Soviet Union has not ruled out the possibility of Mr. Shevardnadze visiting Japan in February or March," one of the sources said.

Mr. Shevardnadze announced the date of Mr. Gorbachev's visit while he was in Japan last week. The historic tour is expected to pave the way towards a bilateral peace treaty formally ending World War II hostilities.

Japan's Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama is expected to visit the Soviet Union in December or January.

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#90257d5490 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 14) - Gas stations in Pakistan were closed Friday as part of a government drive to conserve energy amid a fuel shortage caused by the ongoing Gulf crisis, witnesses said.

The closure, the first in the country's history, follows a government decision this week that fuel stations would observe a weekly holiday on Fridays to conserve energy and make up for the oil shortfall resulting from Iraq's annexation of Kuwait.

Gas stations in all cities and towns will remain closed for 24 hours from 7:00 a.m. Friday to 7:00 a.m. Saturday. Officials however said facilities at highways have been exempted from the ban for long haulage vehicles.

The closure came into effect with little publicity, causing problems for consumers.

Officials said Pakistan was feeling a serious pinch from the Gulf crisis after its Kuwaiti source, catering to 40 per cent of the country's oil needs at concessional rates, was depleted.

Pakistan has not responded to President Saddam Hussain's offer of free oil to Third World countries, having already committed 5,000 troops for the defence of Iraq's adversary, Saudi Arabia.

It has recently contacted friendly countries and officials of the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank, the European Economic Community and the United Nations Development Programme to explain severe strains on its economy.

Pakistan envisages a balance of payment loss of 1.1 billion dollars, the paper said, citing initial estimates.

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#90257d5500 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STRASBOURG, FRANCE (SEPT. 14) - The European Parliament here Friday adopted a resolution calling for standardizing speed limits for all vehicles throughout the European Community.

Speed limits for all vehicles would be set at 50 kilometres per hour (30 miles per hour) in towns and cities, 80 kph (50 mph) on country roads, 100 kph (60 mph) on expressways and 120 kph (75 mph) on major highways.

Asked to give their opinions on a committee report on limiting speed limits for commercial transport, the deputies went further and asked that the limits be extended to all vehicles for safety, economic and environmental reasons.

The committee was proposing standardizing speed limits for buses, trucks and vehicles pulling trailers to 80 to 100 kph on highways and 50 kph on town and city roads.

The European Parliament resolution, passed by a 91-67 majority with four abstentions, will be transmitted to the EEC Commission, which is not however compelled to support the opinion of the parliament in formulating a directive on the matter.

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#90257d5530 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (SEPT. 14) - Vietnamese Deputy Premier Vo Nguyen Giap will visit China this weekend, the foreign ministry said here Friday.

"General Giap will go to China on Saturday or Sunday at the invitation of the Asian Games organizing committee," a ministry spokesman said.

It was unclear how long the visit would last, but the Asian Games will open in Beijing on September 22 and go through October 7.

(Beijing made no official announcement of the visit Friday.)

The deputy premier will be the highest-ranking Vietnamese official to visit China since relations were strained in 1979, and a well-informed Chinese source close to Beijing's embassy here said the invitation was made on Hanoi's request.

Relations between the two countries chilled after China provoked a brief but bloody border war in early 1979 to protest Vietnam's invasion of Cambodia and the ouster of the Beijing-backed Khmer Rouge regime there.

The two sides also disagree over their land border and sovereignty over the South China Sea island chains of the Paracels and the Spratleys.

Lower-ranking officials have exchanged visits in the past two years as the factions in the Cambodian civil war moved closer to a settlement.

Vietnamese Deputy Foreign Minister Dinh Nho Liem has visited Beijing three times in the past two years, the last time in May, while a senior Chinese Foreign Ministry official, Xu Duxin, came here in June.

Since then, the two countries have continued talks on normalizing relations through their embassies.

China has made a comprehensive settlement of the Cambodian conflict and the withdrawal of Vietnamese forces from Cambodia the main conditions for better ties, and Hanoi announced a total troop pullout in September last year.

Beijing has kept its support behind the Khmer Rouge, which after its fall from power became the strongest faction in the resistance against against the Vietnam-installed government in Phnom Penh.

On Thursday, China said it was willing to open a dialogue with Phnom Penh and reaffirmed its willingness to normalize relations with Vietnam.

The announcement came after the warring Cambodian parties achieved a breakthrough in peace talks on Monday, agreeing to enter into an interim authority known as the Supreme National Council (SNC) before U.N.-organized elections are held.

The United Nations will also supervise a cease-fire and the disarming of the factions in the 11-12-year war.

Gen. Giap was one of the chief architects behind North Vietnam's victory over the U.S.-backed South in 1975 and led the Vietnamese victory over French forces at Dien Bien Phu in 1954.

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#90257d5540 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 14) - Thailand is to evacuate about 1,800 workers from Iraq, a Thai Foreign Ministry official here said Friday.

The decision was taken after some of the workers warned the ministry that a possible confrontation between Iraq and countries implementing the U.N. embargo on the Gulf was becoming more likely.

The Foreign Ministry and the Labour Department were working together to organise the evacuation of the workers, stranded since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, the official said.

The ministry has instructed its embassy personnel in Baghdad to negotiate with

the Iraqi government for an easing of visa regulations to facilitate a swift evacuation.

Nearly 6,000 Thais have already returned home from Kuwait via Jordan and Saudi Arabia during a massive air-lift operation run by the Thai government from August 14 to September 8.

Between 1,800 and 2,000 workers remain in Iraq, while some 20 to 30 workers have opted to remain in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

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#90257d5660 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 14) - Cambodia's interim ruling authority, the Supreme National Council (SNC), is to hold its first meeting here Monday, Cambodian sources said Friday.

Thai officials have informed factions involved in the Cambodian conflict that the meeting is to take place at the former Cambodian Embassy here, the sources said.

The meeting is to discuss such issues as sending a delegation to the United Nations, instituting a cease-fire and the SNC chairmanship, they added.

The SNC was formed in Jakarta last Monday as the first step of an agreement between the resistance coalition and the Phnom Penh government to try to end the 12-year civil war. It is to serve as a transitional authority.

The decision to go ahead with the meeting was taken as key players in the war continued intensive negotiations here Friday on the role of resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk in the SNC.

The 68-year-old former monarch, one of two non-communist faction leaders allied with the marxist Khmer Rouge against Phnom Penh, on Friday urged Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen to accept him as chairman of the SNC.

The council is to take over Cambodia's seat at the United Nations, now held by the resistance.

It was not immediately clear whether the prince would attend Monday's meeting, which comes one day before a meeting of the U.N. General Assembly opens in New York.

The resistance is dominated by the Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge, which was driven from power in Phnom Penh by Vietnam's invading forces in January 1979.

The formation of the 12-member SNC, split equally between representives of Phnom Penh and the resistance, was agreed upon last Monday when the warring

factions agreed in Jakarta to back a U.N.-brokered peace plan.

Mr. Hun Sen was expected to attend Monday's meeting as one of Phnom Penh's six SNC representatives.

In keeping with the peace plan drawn up by the five U.N. Security Council permanent members, the SNC is to embody Cambodia's sovereignty until elections are held.

But the plan delegates sweeping executive powers to a U.N. Transitional Authority in Cambodia (UNTAC) to administer the war-torn country of some seven million people.

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#90257d5710 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (SEPT. 14) - More than 100 Thai soldiers have been working around the clock to repair years of neglect that turned the once-splendid Cambodian embassy building here into a jungle-covered, desolate building.

The house has lain hidden behind thick undergrowth and scores of wild banana trees which had turned the once-manicured garden into a jungle.

But now with the first meeting of Cambodia's newly formed interim ruling authority set here for Monday, a transformation is in progress.

The renovation, which will cost "several million" baht, is expected to be finished by Saturday and will be ready for the meeting of the Supreme National Council (SNC), a senior government official said.

The work at the embassy includes landscaping to replace undergrowth and the banana trees with grass and flowers, floor and toilet repairs and the installation of electric and communication facilities.

"It's a tremendous job given we have only three days to finish all the work. That's why we have to ask the army for help," the official said.

The embassy, located on a prime plot of Bangkok land worth up to 500 million baht (20 million dollars), was closed after the Khmer Rouge, condemned for its human rights record, came to power in Cambodia in 1975.

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#90257d5740 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GENEVA (SEPT. 14) - The World Health Organization on Friday reported that tests on Kemron, a drug used to treat AIDS which has been touted as a "miracle" find in some parts of Africa, were inconclusive.

Kemron, made with weak doses of interferon alfa and administered orally, won some fame after experiments conducted by the Kenya Medical Research Institute on 200 people with AIDS over a 10-week period.

The institute concluded that most of the patients were much recovered at the end of the trial and capable of resisting secondary infection. The HIV virus which leads to AIDS destroys the body's immune system.

"We might reasonably have expected that these first (Kenyan) results would be confirmed in a series of trials in other African countries," the WHO said in its report. "The results obtained up until now are not conclusive."

WHO experts noted, nevertheless, that treatment with Kemron could increase the number of white blood corpuscles, which would increase resistance to secondary infection.

Interferon alfa is already used to help people with AIDS, but it is generally administered by injection in much higher doses, in a burdensome treatment process.

Kemron has been commercially marketed in East Africa after it was launched on July 27 by Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi, who said it "may not be the all-out cure" but that "we would be doing humanity a disservice" if it were not made available.

Davy Koech, who headed the Kenyan research team, dismissed scepticism about Kemron expressed by some scientists who have argued that further tests were needed to evaluate its usefulness.

Lobe Monekosso, WHO regional director for Africa, speaking at the launching ceremony in July, said "this is a claim which must be taken seriously."

He said WHO was ready to help in the "further refining" of the drug, which he described as a "new weapon" against AIDS, and was already organising trials of Kemron and AZT under way in several African countries.

Unlike AZT, another interferon-based drug, Kemron is reported to have minimal side-effects.

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#90257d5780 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (SEPT. 14) - Air Lanka will launch a "mercy mission" Saturday to evacuate thousands of Sri Lankans stranded in the Middle East after President Ranasinghe Premadasa set up a special team headed by him to expedite the repatriation process.

An Air Lanka spokesman said Friday that the national carrier would operate

approximately 15 flights per week to Amman during the "mercy mission" to bring back more than 4,500 Sri Lankan refugees stranded at a Jordanian camp.

The Sri Lankans fled to Jordan from Kuwait, where they were employed, in the aftermath of the August 2 invasion of the tiny emirate by Iraqi troops.

The current evacuation of thousands of refugees, mostly Asians, from Amman has not emptied the camps which continue to be congested with an increasing number of Asians fleeing Kuwait every day.

According to the Air Lanka spokesman, the airline has appointed a special task force "to organise and coordinate the transport of refugees" from the Middle East.

The spokesman said there would probably be two flights a day with each flight bringing back a full load of some 230 refugees from Amman.

Colombo has also asked Baghad's permission to evacuate more than 80,000 Sri Lankans direct from Kuwait. Iraqi officials have said they would consider the request.

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#90257d5810 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (SEPT. 14) - Indonesian Mines and Energy Minister Ginanjar Kartasasmita is confident OPEC will survive despite disputes among its member states triggered by the Gulf crisis, the Suara Pembaruan daily said Friday.

"Even though there are often differences of opinion and various problems among its members, I am confident OPEC will continue to survive," Mr. Ginanjar told the daily in an interview.

Speaking on the eve of the 30th anniversary of the Organisation of Oil Exporting Countries, Mr. Ginanjar said his conviction was based on the fact that OPEC had survived several wars, including some between member countries.

"All OPEC members, including Indonesia, have a large interest in OPEC ... I am confident that those with differing opinions within OPEC will remain committed to the existence of the organisation," Mr. Ginanjar said.

OPEC, founded in Baghdad in 1960, groups Algeria, Ecuador, Gabon, Indonesia, Iraq, Iran, Kuwait, Libya, Nigeria, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Venezuela.

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#90257d5820 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (SEPT. 14) - A few anonymous bouquets of flowers at the foot of a

flagpole were the only public reminder in Zimbabwe's capital of the day white colonists first raised the British flag here 100 years ago this week.

The black-majority government, whose leaders waged a bitter and bloody war to overthrow the descendants of those settlers just over a decade ago, ignored the centenary.

Any celebrations among the remaining white community of some 100,000 were discreet -- an extra pink gin on the verandah at sundowner time, perhaps.

But a ceremony was planned for this weekend just across the Limpopo River in South Africa, where many whites fled when the country the colonists called Rhodesia became independent Zimbabwe in 1980.

A gathering in the border town of Messina has been organised by the Rhodesia Association of South Africa to commemorate the flag-raising on September 13 1890 on the spot the pioneers called Fort Salisbury -- now Harare.

One man travelling south to attend will be former prime minister Ian Smith, who led Rhodesia into a unilateral declaration of independence from Britain in 1965 rather than accept majority rule.

"It is a very important occasion," he told Agence France-Presse in a telephone interview from the Harare home he uses when not on his farm in Shurugwi, some 300 km south-west of the capital.

"When one looks back through history it makes me realise, and I think it makes all decent people realise, what a fantastic thing it was -- this bringing of Western democratic civilisation to the dark continent."

Mr. Smith, 71, who once predicted that the country's blacks would not rule "in a thousand years", said no ceremony was being held inside Zimbabwe because attempts in recent years to commemorate other events in colonial history had been "broken up by absolute barbarous methods".

The head of the history department at the University of Zimbabwe, Professor Ngwabi Bhebe, said of the arrival of the white settlers: "We want to forget it as much as possible -- just like one of those statues we are throwing away."

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#90257d5850 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 14) - Foreign investment in the Philippines totalled 258 million dollars in the first half of 1990, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) said here Friday.

SEC officials would not give comparative figures for the same period last year but noted the total for all of 1989 was 935.7 million dollars.

Direct foreign equity investments in new and existing firms totalled 2.731 billion pesos (117.2 million dollars) in the first half of 1990 compared with 4.7 billion pesos (213.6 million dollars) posted for the whole of 1989.

The Japanese topped the list of foreign investors, pouring in 896.5 million pesos (38.5 million dollars), while Taiwan ranked second with 347.5 million pesos (14.9 million dollars) in the first half of this year.

While foreign investment in the Philippines has risen steadily since 1986,

growth has been sluggish due to restrictive regulations, political uncertainty and a poor infrastructure.

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#90257d5860 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 14) - The South African state on Friday withdrew all charges against a guerilla of the African National Congress (ANC) at whose home police found a large arms cache in July.

Bhekumuza Jabulani Ximba, who sought refuge in the United States consulate here on July 23 during a crackdown on activists, left the Durban Regional Court a free man with a fist clenched in a black power salute.

Mr. Ximba surrendered himself to police after two days at the consulate and was released on bail after appearing in court for the first time two months ago. The state gave no reason for dropping the charges.

A large arms cache, including hand grenades and limpet mines, were uncovered at his home in the Umlazi township, which borders this eastern port city.

Mr. Ximba is a sub-lieutenant in the ANC's military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe (Spear of the Nation).

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#90257d5920 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 14) - Papua New Guinea is likely to be an oil exporter by 1992, but development efforts will have to deal with the thorny issue of compensation for local residents, an oil company official said here.

Bradley Ledu, land and government relations manager for Chevron Niugini Pty. Ltd., said that talks were proceeding on social aspects of the South Pacific state's first oil development project.

"Sensitivity to the need for local involvement cannot be overemphasised and must be addressed by every developer," he said in a paper to an oil seminar held here Thursday.

Papua New Guinea is still suffering from a drive by local landowners for compensation from an Australian-run copper mine on the island of Bougainville. Their claims mushroomed into a bloody guerrilla war for secession.

Chevron is a member of a group holding a prospecting licence for exploration in the Southern Highlands province where potentially lucrative oil fields were discovered in 1985 near the remote Lake Kutubu.

Mr. Ledu said if licenses were issued this year, construction could begin immediately and production of crude could start up in two years. "In all likelihood Papua New Guinea will become an oil exporting nation by the end of 1992," he said.

"It is our hope and the stated desire of the government that the Kutubu project will provide encouragement for other upstream petroleum companies to invest and find new fields for development," he added.

Mr. Ledu said the project would involve development of three oil fields in the region about 550 kilometres (330 miles) northwest of the Papua New Guinea capital of Port Moresby.

"Recoverable resources are currently estimated to be 170 million barrels and we foresee a field life of 10-12 years," he said.

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#90257d5940 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (SEPT. 14) - Some 1,500 Bangladeshis were dead or missing following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, according to a refugee who returned home Friday.

Tajul Islam, president of the Bangladesh Association in Kuwait, told Agence France-Presse that at "every moment people, including Bangladeshis, were being killed (by Iraqi soldiers) or dying due to lack of food."

"The situation in the invaded emirate (Kuwait) is terrible," he said.

Mr. Islam, a naval architect, was among 400 Bangladeshis who returned to Dhaka on Friday from Jordan on a special Air France flight, the third such flight sponsored by the French government.

He said as head of the association he monitored fellow expatriate Bangladeshis in Kuwait, but after Iraq's August 2 invasion of the emirate he found many of them missing.

They were also absent in Jordanian refugee camps, where he ended up after a gruelling desert journey, he added.

Mr. Islam said he estimated 1,500 Bangladeshis were dead or missing, basing the figure on accounts of indiscriminate firing by Iraqi troops on foreigners, including Bangladeshis, and reports of many deaths in Kuwait and the camps due to lack of food.

Foreign Office sources had said earlier that death reports could not be confirmed as there was no direct communication with Kuwait. Bangladesh has suspended the operation of its embassy in the emirate.

There were 75,000 Bangladeshis employed in Kuwait at the time of invasion.

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#90257d5960 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (SEPT. 14) - The chairman of the U.S. joint chiefs-of-staff, General Colin Powell, on Friday warned Iraq against attacking Saudi Arabia, the Gulf News Agency (GNA) reported.

Speaking to U.S. forces deployed in the Gulf, Gen. Powell said if Iraq decided to attack Saudi Arabia, it would put itself in a state of war.

Gen. Powell, who met here Friday with the emir of Bahrain for talks on the Gulf crisis on the second leg of a tour to inspect U.S. forces in the Gulf, said the deployment was meant to prevent any Iraqi attack against countries in the region.

On Thursday, Gen. Powell met top Saudi officers and inspected U.S. troops deployed in Saudi Arabia.

The Washington Post, citing official sources, reported Thursday that more than 50,000 U.S. troops would be dispatched to the Gulf in the coming weeks to complement 143,000 already present.

The United States, joined by Western and Arab allies, has engaged in a massive military build-up in the Gulf since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

Gen. Powell said Tuesday in Washington that a meeting would be held in Bahrain

grouping commanders of the various fleets massed in the Gulf to determine their respective zones of responsibility and coordinate their communications procedures.

The armada has been implementing a United Nations-approved embargo against Iraq.

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#90257d5970 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 14) - Saudi Arabia's Prince Faisal Fahd Abdul Aziz has reaffirmed his country's opposition to Iraq's participation in the Asian Games which start in Beijing on September 22.

"We cannot condone what Iraq has been doing. I can't imagine the Iraqis will ever set foot in Beijing," he said after arriving in Tokyo on Friday to attend the annual International Olympic Committee (IOC) meeting.

On Thursday, the IOC executive board expressed support for Kuwait's athletes and national Olympic committee despite its invasion and annexation by Iraq.

But it took no stand on a move by the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) to bar Iraq from the Asian Games, which is patronized by the IOC but governed by the OCA.

An OCA general assembly meeting in Beijing on September 20 will decide on a recommendation to bar Iraq from the regional games and OCA membership.

The Saudi prince held talks at a Tokyo hotel with Kuwait's Sheikh Ahmad al-Sabah, the eldest son of IOC member and OCA president Sheikh Fahad al-Ahmad al-Sabah, who was killed when Iraqi troops attacked Kuwait August 2.

The son is now president of the Kuwait national Olympic committe in exile.

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#90257d5980 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 14) - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said Friday that the Soviet Union and Britain have agreed to increase pressure on Iraq in a bid to force it out of Kuwait.

He said after a meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev that the talks did not touch on Western or Soviet military action in the Gulf, where British, French, U.S. and other forces have been deployed to prevent a possible Iraqi attack against Saudi Arabia.

Hurd welcomed Japan's recent pledge to raise its financial support for the Western military involvement in the Gulf.

On developments in Europe, Hurd indicated that neither British Premier Margaret Thatcher nor Queen Elizabeth Ii would attend ceremonies marking German unification in Berlin on October 2. These celebrations must remain an internal issue, he said.

Hurd arrived in Moscow Wednesday for the signing ceremony of an international treaty opening the way for German unification.

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#90257d5990 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 14) - The European Commission on Friday said it wants to increase emergency food aid for the tens of thousands of refugees in Jordan who have fled the Iraqi annexation of Kuwait.

A spokesman for the European Economic Community's executive said the proposed aid would be bigger than the 3.51-million-dollar tranche allocated in early August, which was estimated to be enough to feed 300,000 people over two months.

The EEC and its member states have already contributed more than 32 million dollars of the estimated 150 million dollars in international commitments towards the refugees.

This money has helped provide shelter and transport home for thousands of Egyptians and Asians. EEC foreign ministers on Monday are to discuss the Commission's proposals to increase the aid by another 39 million dollars.

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#90257d6030 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (SEPT. 14) - The Indonesian attorney general's office ordered the detention on Friday of a former Bank Duta top executive for questioning over possible improprieties in the bank's dealings, a newspaper reported.

The Suara Pembaruan daily cited sources at the attorney general's office as saying that an order of detention was issued late Thursday for former Bank Duta vice president, Dicky Iskandar Di Nata, 39.

Officials at the attorney general's office declined to comment on the report.

Mr. Di Nata was summoned to the attorney general's office for questioning Thursday morning and his detention took effect Friday, the sources said.

Summons had also been issued to former directors of the bank and top officials of the Central Bank responsible for bank supervision to help with the investigation, the sources added.

Bank Duta, one of Indonesia's top private banks with assets of more than one billion dollars at the start of 1990, was put under tight supervision last week by the Central Bank after it was found to have incurred large foreign exchange losses.

The bank is controlled by three charity foundations chaired by Indonesian President Suharto.

The prime shareholder in the same week dismissed Bank Duta's management board, headed by chief commissioner Bustanil Arifin, who is cooperative minister and related by marriage to Mr. Suharto's wife, Hartinah.

Mr. Arifin said last week that Bank Duta had suffered heavy losses because sizable funds deposited with the National Bank of Kuwait were frozen in the wake of the Gulf crisis.

State Secretary Murdiono denied Mr. Arifin's statement on Thursday.

Central Bank Governor Adrianus Mooy has said there was a possibility of "off balance sheet" transactions behind the losses.

The prime shareholders have injected new funds to bail the bank out, and Duta is back in operation under a new board of management.

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#90257d6050 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (SEPT. 14) - Petrol is being rationed in Vietnam's economic capital of Ho Chi Minh City, where supplies have been interrupted for several days, the daily Saigon Giai Phong said in a report seen here Friday.

The petrol shortage has caused prices to soar on the free market in Ho Chi Minh City, with the cost of a litre doubling to 3,000 dong (45 U.S. cents) from a few days earlier, the newspaper said in its Tuesday edition.

The interruption to petrol supplies is mainly due to a cut in shipments from the Soviet Union, which has provided almost 80 per cent of the country's needs up to now, Western experts said.

They said Vietnam was buying petrol from Singapore and Japan to meet demand.

Vietnamese authorities are limiting petrol sales to three litres for mopeds and 20 litres for cars, buses and trucks while the sale of petrol in cans has been forbidden, the newspaper said.

Hanoi had also been affected. A litre of petrol now costs 1,750 dong (27 cents) on the free market, up from 1,100 dong (18 cents) earlier.

Vietnamese sources said the reduction in purchases from the Soviet Union was likely because Hanoi now has to pay for some imports in hard currency and also because Moscow might have cut shipments in the wake of the Gulf crisis.

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#90257d6060 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 14) - The two houses of the Philippine congress passed a bill Friday changing the tax on oil products from value-added to specific taxes, a move which paves the way for an increase in oil prices.

The change from value-added to specific taxation will cushion the effect of any retail price hike since, under the new system, the tax on oil products will not rise with any hike in its price.

The executive department has been waiting for passage of the bill before allowing oil prices to rise, but the presidential palace has not said when President Corazon Aquino will sign it into law.

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#90257d6070 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 14) - Indonesia has informed the Japanese oil industry of its decision to raise crude oil prices by an average 8.84 dollars a barrel from the level in August, industry sources said Friday.

The markup will boost the price of Minas, a benchmark Indonesian crude, to 28.03 dollars a barrel for September shipments to Japan compared with 19.19 dollars for August shipments, the sources said.

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#90257d6090 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENNA (SEPT. 14) - The Soviet Union, acting as if the Warsaw Pact no longer existed, is asking to keep 40 per cent of the conventional weapons at stake in talks here, incurring the opposition of all the other countries involved, diplomats said Friday.

Moscow is asking to keep, for example, 16,000 tanks out of the 20,000 that could be allotted to the seven nations of the Warsaw Pact out of a total of 40,000 for both the Pact nations and the 16 nations of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

"The Soviets are reasoning as if the Warsaw Pact no longer existed," a diplomat said. "Moscow is completely isolated within its own alliance on this question."

As a result, Hungary and Czechoslovakia have proposed that no country be allowed to keep more than 30 per cent of the total figure of conventional weapons, which include artillery, armor, troops and aircraft.

The Warsaw Pact nations are to meet in Bratislava, Czechoslovakia, before the end of the month to try to reach an agreement on how to share their half of the weapons.

A first meeting in early September failed because of Moscow's intransigence.

The French delegate to the talks, Francois Plaisant, said, "no solution can be achieved that would enshrine such imbalances."

The hardening of the Soviet position came two months before a summit meeting of the 35 nations of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE), which includes all European nations minus Albania plus the United States and Canada.

Speaking on Wednesday in Moscow, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said the negotiations on two major problem areas -- the share of weapons question and the number of warplanes -- could be postponed to a new round of talks on conventional weapons that would start here in January.

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#90257d6140 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 14) - A senior French official on Friday said the outlook was good that an international conference to end the Cambodian civil war would take place this year, probably early November, and would be successful.

Edwige Avice, the deputy foreign minister, spoke at her return from a meeting on Cambodia in Jakarta that was co-chaired by France and Indonesia.

"There is a very strong determination on the part of the Five to end the crisis," she said.

She was referring to the five permanent members of the security council (the Soviet Union, the United States, France, Britain and China), of which three are deeply involved in the conflict.

The United States gives non-military aid to the two non-communist forces fighting the Vietnamese-installed Phnom Penh regime; China supports the Khmer Rouge and Moscow is the principal ally of Phnom Penh and Hanoi.

China, Mrs. Avige said, is displaying "a reasonable and constructive attitude."

"The four (Cambodian) factions have lost the unconditional support of their backers, who want to lance the abcess," she said.

China is anxious to end the ostracism it incurred because of its repression of dissent. Vietnam want to renew ties with China and, to a lesser extent, with the United States.

The Gulf crisis also helped, she said. It gave Beijing an opportunity to join the mainstream of nations and it also burnished the image of the United Nations, of which Phnom Penh and Hanoi were deeply suspicious because it chose the resistance to represent Cambodia at the world body.

The Paris conference is to bring together the four Cambodian factions, the five superpowers and the six non-communist countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations as well as Vietnam, Laos, Japan and Australia.

Meanwhile, in Strasbourg, eastern France, Son Sann, the leader of one of the two non-communist guerrilla groups, said at the European parliament that he expected U.N.-supervised elections could take place "in a year."

The modalities could be defined at the Paris conference, he said.

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#90257d6210 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) - The United States is prepared to consider joint use of two key U.S. military bases in the Philippines, whose future will be negotiated in Manila next week, administration officials indicate.

At stake in the formal negotiations is whether the United States will be allowed continued access to Clark Air Base, Subic Naval Base and four smaller installations after September 16 1991, when the 1947 Military Bases Agreement (MBA) expires.

The first round is scheduled for September 17 and 21. For security reasons, the State Department will not say when U.S. chief negotiator Richard Armitage and his team will leave for Manila. U.S. officials say they fear attacks by communist rebels.

Clark Air base and Subic Naval Base, the oldest and largest U.S. military facilities on foreign soil, are the cornerstone of the U.S. security network in Asia and U.S. officials insist that their importance cannot be overstated.

"If we are not wanted, we'll leave and we have alternatives... But clearly, we'd like to stay...Our military presence is a stabilizing factor in the region," said one administration official, who asked not to be named.

"We are quite flexible. We want a new relationship and a new treaty which will emphasize equality and Philippine sovereignty. Concepts like joint use, commercialization of existing facilities are things which we will consider

very seriously. it's their (Philippine) call," the official added Thursday.

On a report that Manila was likely to propose U.S. forces vacate Clark by September next year and stay at Subic for three more years, the official said: "This is a cute theory...Our position is that we would like to remain (at Clark as well) ."

"You could have the Philippine Air Force there, commercialization to develop industries in the Central Luzon area and use Clark as an air freight terminal " he added.

"Ultimately, the Filipinos are interested in turning Clark into an international airport that would be financed by selling off valuable real estate now being used by the military in the southern end of Manila. We are sympathetic to that," the official said.

Subic, the main ship repair and maintenance facility of the Japan-based U.S. 7th fleet is seen as more important than Clark, home to the 13th air force which includes two tactical squadrons of F-4 phantom fighters, military transports and other aircraft.

"Making the bases increasingly open to the Philippine Air Force and Navy represents an option that I feel the United States would welcome," said Richard Fisher, a policy analyst at the Heritage Foundation, a local think tank.

U.S. officials however stress that the ball is in the Philippine court and that the real bargaining has yet to start.

They note that most opinion polls in the former U.S. colony indicate that most Filipinos favor retention of the U.S. bases as do the Philippines's neighbors.

Some officials however voice concern about strong anti-base sentiment in the 23-member Philippine Senate, which will have to ratify any new treaty.

"One detects among some Philippine senators anti-U.S. feelings and as a result an unrealistic set of expectations designed to lead to failed negotiations," said Mr. Fisher.

U.S. officials say that a precipitous U.S. withdrawal would have a catastrophic impact on the Philippines.

It would mean not only the loss of more than 500 million dollars a year and unemployment for 79,000 people, but more importantly a devastating loss of confidence in President Corazon Aquino's government and Philippine democracy.

For the U.S. military, which has been in the Philippines since 1898 when the United States captured the country during the Spanish-American War, less attractive alternatives to Clark and Subic would involve scattering facilities

in the Pacific territories of Guam, Tinian, Saipan and Palau.

U.S. officials stress that an agreement in principle reached earlier this year to deploy U.S. warplanes and military personnel on Singaporean soil was a supplement not a substitute for the bases in the Philippines.

Manila and Washington held a preliminary round of bases talks last May.

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#90257d6220 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (SEPT. 14) - Iran is abiding by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries' (OPEC) pre-Gulf crisis production quota and price rises have boosted revenues by up to 800 million dollars a month, Oil Minister Gholamreza Aqazadeh said.

"Under the present circumstances, we are exporting oil according to our OPEC-decreed quota and Iranian crude is in large demand," he was quoted by the official IRNA news agency as saying.

He said Iran was selling its crude oil for 28 dollars per barrel on international markets.

He made his comments during a visit Thursday to the industrial Semnan region east of Teheran, IRNA said.

Persistent rumors in oil circles say Iran may have concluded a secret deal with longtime foe Iraq to export Iraqi crude oil via Iranian refineries.

If confirmed, Iran would be violating sweeping sanctions imposed by the United Nations Security Council on August 6, four days after Iraq invaded neighboring Kuwait.

But the English-language daily Teheran Times, considered close to President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, on Thursday blasted the reports saying they were unfounded.

"An informed source strongly denied that the Iranian government has made a deal with Iraq to sell that country's oil, or to buy cheap oil from Iraq," the paper said.

The source was reacting to reports by foreign media that Iran had reached an agreement with Iraq to exchange food and medicines for Iraqi oil and cash, the paper said, adding that the source "scoffed at the report and said it was totally baseless."

He said a decision had not yet been reached on whether to ship food amd medical supplies to Iraq, although Iranian officials did not see such shipments

as a violation of the embargo.

The Iranian government "keeps its options open on that," the official said, noting that a decision to send Iraq the needed supplies would only be made "out of humanitarian considerations."

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#90257d6310 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (SEPT. 14) - Iran on Friday called up Revolutionary Guards militiamen for exercises to confront what it called Western "provocation," an apparent reference to the U.S.-led military buildup in the Gulf.

Members of several land units as well as reservists were ordered in a communique read out at the end of Moslem prayers at Teheran University to gather by Wednesday at a large barracks in the capital.

The call-up was "to prepare to confront the provocative actions of oppression " a term Iran normally uses to refer to the United States and the West.

The communique said the exercises would last four days, but it gave no details on the number of troops involved. The order apparently applied only to land forces of the Revolutionary Guards based in Teheran.

Iran's spiritual guide, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, said Wednesday that Moslem resistance in the U.S. deployment in the Gulf would constitute holy war and said those who died in the struggle would be martyrs.

The ayatollah thus aligned himself with opponents of President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani's more moderate position toward the West, who view the U.S. buildup as a threat to Iran.

Leaders of the Revolutionary Guards are among the anti-Western hardliners.

Iran's former chief justice, Ayatollah Abdol-Karim Ardebili, said at Friday prayers that "the struggle against American soldiers in Saudi Arabia, where they are given alcohol, is a religious duty."

Washington is the only party that stands to gain from the Gulf crisis because it is "selling arms, making its allies pay, has seized oil reserves and now has a military presence" in the Gulf region, he said.

The crowd interrupted with cries of "Death to America," as the ayatollah added that Iran "condemns the Iraqi aggression against Kuwait but also condemns the presence of foreign troops in Islam's holy places."

The United States has deployed more than 100,000 troops in the Gulf region, mainly in Saudi Arabia, to deter further Iraqi aggression after the August 2

invasion of Kuwait.

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#90257d6370 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (SEPT. 14) - Sri Lanka has agreed to set up three refugee camps for its Tamil poulation in a bid to prevent them from streaming into southern of India, it was announced here Friday.

A foreign Office spokesman said Indian Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh was told of the plan by India's High Commissioner in Colombo, N.N. Jha, who is currently in New Delhi for consulations.

The official said the camps would be set up at Vavunia, Mannar island and Madu Church area in northwestern Sri Lanka.

Since the withdrawal of the Indian Peace Keeping Force from Sri Lanka in March more than 10,000 Tamil refugees have crossed into Tamil Nadu state in southern India in the wake of bitter fighting between Sri Lankan troops and Tamil separatists.

The Indian official said the camps at Vavunia and Mannar island would be organised by the International Committee of Red Cross and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. The Madhu Church one would be jointly set up by the Indian and Sri Lanka governments.

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#90257d6380 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
COPENHAGEN (SEPT. 14) - The World Health Organisation (WHO) needs 30 to 45 million dollars in the next 18 months to fight deteriorating health conditions in eastern and central Europe, a WHO official said here Friday.

Dr. Joe Eirik Asvall, director of WHO's regional European bureau, said after the 40th European session of the bureau that the health situation in central and east European countries was deteriorating by the month.

The 32 European member WHO member states had drawn up a five-year health plan for the region, accompanied by a fund-raising and publicity campaign aimed at governments and individuals in Europe, the United States and Japan, he said.

In an interview with Agence France-Presse, Dr. Asvall said Romania, Poland and the Soviet Union were among the countries worst hit by AIDS and other infectious diseases, infant mortality, abortion, suicides and accidents.

Vaccines and modern hospital equipment are badly needed, he said, adding that the former Iron Curtain countries were forced by serious economic problems to give a low priority to health issues.

Dr. Asvall said WHO's European bureau planned to devote three million dollars by 1993 to health aid for Eastern Europe.

But this was a drop in the ocean compared to the region's need for up to 45 million dollars -- nearly as much as WHO's 47 million dollars annual budget for the whole of Europe.

"Our aim is to reduce the gap between health facilities in eastern and western Europe as much as possible," he said. The organisation hoped to wipe out the difference by the turn of the century.

Dr. Asvall also cautioned that developing countries were worried about what they perceived as a concentration of resources from the world's rich countries into eastern Europe.

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VIENNA (SEPT. 14) - Safety at nuclear power plants, possible sanctions against Israel and South Africa, and finance will be on the agenda when the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) conference opens Monday in Vienna.

Reflecting recent sweeping political changes in Europe, for the first time safety at east European nuclear power plants will be a leading issue for delegates to the 34th annual IAEA conference, IAEA sources said Friday.

IAEA experts will be making trips to plants at Bohunice in Czechoslovakia, Kosloduj in Bulgaria and Novoronej and Kola in the Soviet Union in the coming months to study safety measures and procedures at nuclear power plants.

An agreement on the establishment of an international scientific research center in the radiation-blighted Chernobyl region of the Ukraine, proposed last year by the Soviet Union, will also be signed at the five-day conference.

The interim report of a study by 100 international experts evaluating the effects on health and the environment of the 1986 nuclear catastrophe at Chernobyl is expected to be presented at the conference, IAEA sources said.

The Gulf crisis is not expected to have any major impact on the conference, an IAEA source said.

The IAEA has ended technical assistance to Iraq in compliance with U.N. Security Council resolutions, but both Iraqi and Kuwaiti delegations are expected to take part in the conference.

The question of sanctions against Israel and South Africa is also expected to be discussed during the conference. Israel has refused to renounce holding

nuclear weapons or to allow IAEA inspections of its nuclear facilities.

South Africa has avoided exclusion from the IAEA at earlier conferences by expressing an interest in rejoining the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, but has so far avoided actually signing the treaty.

IAEA funding is a matter of grave concern, with the United Sates and Japan, the largest contributors to IAEA coffers, still in arrears for their 1990 payments, while the Soviet Union has made only half of its 1990 payment.

As a result, the IAEA is short of 74 million dollars, or almost half of its 156 million dollars annual budget, a reliable IAEA source said.

With the Mediterranean region expected to be short about of 10 million cubic meters of fresh water a day by the year 2000, the conference will also discuss a report on the economic and technical possibilities of desalinating water.

On the sidelines of the conference, as in other years, the IAEA will hold a special seminar on Nuclear Power Plant Upgrading and Life Extension.

The IAEA conference begins Monday with the election of a conference chairman, expected to be the deputy chairman of the Hungarian nuclear energy commission Gyorgy Vajda, and a declaration by IAEA director-general Hans Blix.

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#90257d6530 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 14) - An Indian ship with 6,000 tons of food for thousands of Indian nationals stranded in the Gulf is due to leave for Iraq Saturday, a foreign ministry spokesman said.

The Vishwa Siddhi will leave the southern Indian port of Cochin with rice, lentils, wheat flour and other emergency supplies following a United Nations decision to allow the ship through the naval blockade of Iraq, the spokesman said Friday.

The ship is expected to reach the Iraqi port of Umm Qasr, near Basra, in five to six days, he said.

It will be the first consignment of food to sail to Iraq since the U.N. blockade was enforced following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Earlier reports from southern India had said the Vishwa Siddhi would leave by early Sunday with about 10,000 tonnes of food supplies to the Jordanian port of Aqaba.

The U.N. sanctions committee Friday authorised India to send a shipload of food for its nationals in Iraq and Kuwait and distribute it through U.N. or

other international or humanitarian organisations.

The spokesman said an Indian Red Cross team will accompany the ship, which is also expected to evacuate Indian nationals to Bombay or Dubai, in the United Arab Emirates.

He said food would also be distributed to needy nationals of other foreign countries.

Asked if the government feared Iraqi authorities might confiscate the ship's contents, the spokesman said: "They are not short of food. It is the aliens who are short of food."

India had some 172,000 nationals in Kuwait and 10,000 in Iraq at the time of the invasion and annexation, which has resulted in a massive exodus of refugees to Jordan.

Thousands of Indians are now in Jordanian refugee camps which a minister here described as "hell holes", and thousands more are reportedly still in Iraq and Kuwait.

India has been at the forefront of Asian countries with nationals trapped in the Gulf urging a "food-window" in the blockade.

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#90257d6590 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LIBREVILLE (SEPT. 14) - All international telecommunications links with the Congo were cut from midday on Friday.

The interruption of services could be due to a general strike called by the Congolese trade unions in a conflict between the labour confederation and the government, an informed source here in Gabon said.

President Denis Sassou-Nguesso halted a congress of the confederation Wednesday and replaced its permanent secretariat with a coordinating committee after the union body pressed for independence from the sole and ruling Congolese Labour Party (PCT).

Just before communications links went down, a central committee member of the PCT, Simon Pierre Guounimba Nczari, was appointed head of the coordinating committee, according to an official Congolese source.

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#90257d6730 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 14) - Japan announced Friday it would provide an additional three billion dollars in financial aid to the U.S.-led multinational forces in

the Gulf and the countries hardest hit by the Gulf crisis.

One billion dollars will go to the multinational forces, while two billion dollars in economic assistance will go to Egypt, Jordan and Turkey, officials said.

Japanese opposition parties strongly criticised the decision and called for its retraction. They said the move violated Japan's post-war constitution which prohibits the country from dispatching troops overseas for settling disputes.

The additional three billion dollars brought to 4.22 billion dollars the aid pledged by Japan to offset the impact of the Gulf crisis sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

U.S. President George Bush, informed of the decision by Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu by telephone, called it "very good news," according to Japanese officials.

It is a "very welcome decision," Mr. Bush was quoted as saying from Washington where Japan has been accused of failing adequately to support U.S. Gulf efforts despite its interests in the region.

Mr. Kaifu said the additional Middle East aid was in line with the interests of Japan, which is completely dependent on imported oil.

The main opposition Socialist Party said that "the government should retract the decision."

The Communist Party also criticised the move, while Komeito, the number two opposition party, said the financial aid should be used only for non-military purposes.

Of the two billion dollars aid to so-called "frontline" nations hit especially hard by the United Nations embargo against Iraq, 600 million dollars will be in low-interest loans repayable over 30 years, the officials said.

The 600 million dollars emergency aid would be supplied as soon as possible, they said. Details would be decided before Mr. Kaifu's visit to the Middle East in early October.

The remaining 1.4 billion dollars will be medium-term economic aid, including grants, the officials said.

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#90257d6810 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BULAWAYO (SEPT. 14) - The Zimbabwe Congress of Trade Unions (ZCTU) is opposed

to government plans to create a one-party state, the organisation's acting president, Gibson Sibanda, said Friday.

The semi-official Ziana news agency quoted him as telling the opening session of the ZCTU's third congress that the winds of change which had swept through Eastern Europe could not be resisted.

"We witness today an unprecedented demand for political pluralism as the one-party autocratic regimes have been rejected one after another," he said.

The official policy of Zimbabwe's ruling ZANU-PF (Zimbabwe African National Union - Patriotic Front) party, led by President Robert Mugabe, is to turn one of the African continent's few multi-party democracies into a one-party state.

Mr. Sibanda told some 200 delegates to the congress in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe's second largest city, that the ZCTU's general council had resolved "that political pluralism be maintained in Zimbabwe."

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#90257d6820 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (SEPT. 14) - Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi leaves here Saturday for a four-day state visit to South Korea starting September 17, the official Kenya News Agency (KNA) said.

The visit is at the invitation of the South Korean government, KNA said.

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#90257d6830 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (SEPT. 14) - Iraqi opposition groups are to meet next week in Damascus to prepare President Saddam Hussein's overthrow and the establishment of democracy in Baghdad, a Kurdish guerrilla chief announced Friday.

Jellal Talibani, leader of the Patriotic Union of (Iraqi) Kurdistan, said in an interview from the Syrian capital that contacts were underway to form a wide-ranging coalition against the Iraqi president.

He told the Kuwaiti newspaper Al-Qabas, edited in Saudi Arabia since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2, that a new leadership would use dialogue "to settle differences between brothers" in Iraq and Kuwait.

In the Iranian capital, an Iraqi Shiite opposition leader, Mohammad Baqer al-Hakim, told Agence France-Presse that "the bell tolls for the regime of dictator Saddam Hussein."

"The action of Saddam Hussein is doomed to failure because it has no popular support and harms Islam and the interests of the region's Moslem people," said

the head of the Supreme Council of the Islamic Revolution of Iraq.

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#90257d6850 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (SEPT. 14) - The European Community sharply condemned Friday the unauthorised entry of Iraqi troops into various Western embassies in Kuwait.

In a joint resolution, the E.C. said break-ins at the French and Dutch embassies and the seizure of E.C. citizens and diplomats was a serious violation of the Geneva Convention of 1961, to which Iraq also is a signatory.

''The Community and its member states demand the immediate release of all kidnapped foreign nationals and urge Iraqi authorities to respect international law,'' the declaration read.

The E.C. said the Iraqi actions were unacceptable and appropriate diplomatic steps would be taken.

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#90257d7040 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
COLOMBO (SEPT. 14) - Army soldiers were engaged in fierce hand-to-hand fighting with Tamil rebels Friday as the death toll rose to 175 in the battle for the Jaffna fort army camp in northern Sri Lanka, officials said.

More than 150 guerrillas of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) have so far died during the army offensive that was launched on Thursday to break the blockade on the Jaffna fort, a military spokesman here said.

Government casualties were high, the spokesman admitted.

At least 25 troops including an air force pilot and five army officers were killed in the three-pronged surprise attack by ground, air and sea units against rebels entrenched in well-fortified bunkers near the fort.

Military officials said that ground troops were facing massive rebel resistance in the vicinity of the army garrison which had been under siege since June 11 after violence erupted in the predominantly Tamil northeast.

"But our men are giving them (the Tigers) the works," a senior army officer here said, referring to the hundreds of troops said to be swarming all over the fort area.

An official communique Friday quoted military officials as saying that the navy had intercepted several high-powered boats "carrying fleeing terrorists" and destroyed them off the northern coast.

LTTE rebels laid siege to most army outposts in the densely-populated northern province after fighting flared up between government troops and the guerrillas in June.

The government said that the siege on the fort was broken Thursday, but the LTTE denied this and said "heavy fighting was still going on."

Officials said army reinforcements were moved into the Dutch colonial-built fort where some 200 soldiers and policemen had been trapped for the past three months.

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#90257d7090 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT. 14) - Twenty-seven more coup plotters were executed by firing squad for their complicity in an abortive coup on April 22, a spokesman for the Nigerian military government said Friday.

The spokesman told reporters that 27 were executed Thursday.

He said they were military personnel, and that they were among 31 suspects whose retrial was ordered by the Armed Forces Ruling Council (Afrc) after they had earlier been tried along with other suspects by a special military tribunal.

The total figure brings to 69, the number of military personnel executed in connection with the coup attempt. Forty-two were executed last month after the Afrc had sanctioned their death sentences.

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#90257d7150 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LINTHICUM, MD (SEPT. 14) - Just when he thought he was safely home after a desert trek out of Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, 64-year-old William Longthorne had to face and armed robber who stole his 200-dollar wristwatch.

"It didn't faze me until after it was over," said the mechanical engineer, adding that he felt no fear of the mugger's gun after seeing "all those Iraqi guns" back in Kuwait.

He said the mugging took place last Tuesday in a hotel parking lot here.

Mr. Longthorne, who three weeks ago drove cross-desert out of Kuwait with two other men, said the robber told him he was hungry and took his wristwatch after learning he had no money.

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#90257d7200 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAMPALA (SEPT. 14) - At least 200 people have died of meningitis in western Uganda's Mbarara district, Acting District Administrator Henry Rwigyemera said Friday.

He said virtually all parts of the district had reported cases of meningitis which broke out in Birere sub-county three months ago.

On Friday, Isingiro County member of parliament John Kigyagi said in a statement broadcast over radio Uganda that atleast 20 people had died in an epidemic in Oruchinga valley refugee settlement.

The settlement has an estimated 30,000 people all of them Rwandese and is located near Kagera river on the Uganda-Tanzania border. Mr. Kigyagi said all schools in the settlement had been closed following the outbreak.

The acting district administrator said Friday that the epidemic could not be contained because of vaccine shortages. He however said medical authorities in the country expected drugs to be delivered in the area next week.

Mr. Rwigyemera said the district with a population of over 800,000 people had only received vaccines enough for 90,000 people and that his office was receiving reports of more deaths in Yabushozi, Ibanda and Ntungamo areas.

Nineteen people were reported to have died in Ntungamo last week of the epidemic prevalent in the district's 30 sub-counties.

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#90257d7230 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGUI (SEPT. 14) - Police on Friday broke up demonstrations by the families of 20 opposition figures arrested in the capital of the Central African Republic on Thursday for holding an unauthorized political meeting.

The French ambassador here, Antoine Frasseto, meanwhile confirmed by telephone from Libreville that Simon Narcisse Bozanga, a former prime minister, had taken refuge in the embassy.

Informed sources said that Mr. Bozanga had fled to the embassy after police raided the meeting in a private house of people seeking a multi-party system.

The police on Friday used teargas to disperse groups of a few people who gathered outside a gendarmerie post close to the presidential palace where the dissidents were being held.

Women at the demonstration wore red headbands and carried a banner reading: "In the name of democracy, free our husbands". Police broke up a similar protest on Thursday.

In a raid on the home of Aristide Sokambi in the early hours of Thursday, police arrested 22 members of a coordinating committee seeking a national conference with a view to introducing multi-party politics.

All were signatories to an open letter to President Andre Kolingba in May calling for the conference. Of those detained after police smashed in the door of Mr. Sokambi's home, 20 were still detained Friday, informed sources said.

They included Mr. Sokambi, together with Abel Goumba, leader of the opposition Oubanguian Patriotic Front (FPO), Henri Maidou, the last prime minister under Emperor Bokassa and vice-president under David Dacko, who succeeded the monarch in a 1979 coup, and Francois Pehoua, an ex-member of the Dacko government.

Mr. Frasseto told Agence France-Presse that negotiations concerning Mr. Bozanga's presence in the embassy in Bangui were "on the point of a result", but declined to say more.)

Initially, Mr. Bozanga, who was prime minister in the Dacko government, was said to have been among those arrested.

There have been no details of the two people freed.

Public Security Minister Thomas Mapouka on Thursday confirmed the arrests in a radio announcement, adding that legal proceedings had begun against the detainees.

The current head of state General Kolingba toppled Mr. Dacko in a military coup in September 1981.

In an earlier development, the Central African government asked the country's Appeal Court to disqualify prominent lawyer Nicolas Tiangaye for making "seditious statements" in court on July 2 while defending two senior army officers charged with breaching state security.

Mr. Tiangaye had been due to appear before the court's disciplinary chamber on Tuesday, but officials in Cameroon of the African Jurists' Association (AJA) on Thursday told Agence France-Presse that the lawyer was not in detention.

Informed sources in Gabon have said the Appeal Court hearing has been postponed until next Tuesday, but there was no comment on the matter from the the CentraAfrican government.

Mr. Tiangaye, 34, was one of the 253 signatories to an open letter sent on May 15 to General Kolingba calling for a national conference on multi-party democracy.

He is also defence lawyer for opposition figure General Francois Bozize, who has been jailed since July last year after being extradited from Benin in circumstances that remain unclear.

There has been no indication that Gen. Kolingba envisages a multi-party system though like other African leaders his government has faced unrest this year, including strikes by teachers, students, schoolchildren and hospital staff.

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#90257d7260 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 14) - Fifteen black commuters were injured Friday when they were pushed off a moving train by a rampaging gang, or jumped fearing a repeat of the massacre that left 26 people dead the night before, police said.

Police spokesman Colonel Frans Malherbe said shots were fired in Friday's attack between Jeppe and Ellis Park stations but that nobody was hit.

Ambulance spokesman Efraim Kraner said none of the casualties was seriously injured, and nobody had died. The gang struck as city workers were returning to outlying townships for the weekend.

A large contingent of troops descended on the station shortly after the incident.

"Jeppe station is crawling with troops, police and railway security armed with shotguns", eyewitnesses said. All the injured were taken to the city's Hillbrow Hospital.

Thursday's massacre also started at Jeppe station, where gunmen had shot dead six black commuters in a random killing spree the previous Thursday.

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#90257d7330 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT. 14) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Friday assured President Ibrahim Babangida and the international community that Iraq would not turn the Gulf crisis into an all-out war.

In a message delivered by special envoy Omid Medhat, the Iraqi leader restated his government's commitment to a peaceful resolution of the crisis.

He said Iraq was well aware of the painful consequences of war and would still welcome a negotiated settlement of the issues involved, within an arab framework.

President Hussein warned, however, that although Iraq was in dire need of peace, it would not accept pre-conditions for the resolution of the crisis,

and would be forced to defend itself if attacked.

President Babangida told the envoy that Nigeria would support any initiative that would facilitate the peaceful resolution of the crisis triggered by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90257d7410 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 14) - Government offices and banks reopened Friday in the northern Indian state of Himachal Pradesh after authorities invoked two tough laws in an attempt to end a strike by thousands of employees protesting caste-based job quotas.

The state government invoked the Essential Services Maintenance Act (ESMA) and the National Security Act (NSA) late Thursday, on the 10th day of the strike, news reports said.

But the employees continued their protest Friday to demand the scrapping of a federal order reserving 49.5 per cent of jobs in the government and public sector throughout the country for lower castes.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) said armed policemen were posted outside banks and government offices in the hill state, particularly its capital Shimla, to prevent strikers from picketing the buildings.

Striking employees can be dismissed from service and jailed for between six months and two years under the NSA and EMSA. But strike leader Rameshwar Gripta announced that the protest would continue regardless.

The August 7 job reservation concession by New Delhi has sparked nationwide student protests, in which at least 25 people have died and several hundred have been wounded.

In Himachal Pradesh, ruled by the right-wing Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), thousands of government employees joined the student protests, crippling the administration.

The BJP is an ally of Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh's National Front government, which has refused to dilute the job quota policy that it says will benefit millions of underprivileged.

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#90257d7440 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 14) - Natural rubber prices were dull due to a lack of demand over the past week on the London physical market, but losses were prevented by uncertainties regarding the situation in the Gulf, traders said Friday.

The price for Ribbed Smoked Sheet No. 1 (RSS 1) for September delivery closed at 527.5 pounds per tonne against 525 pounds the previous Friday.

Current lack of interest and the prospect of a further fall in tyre industry offtake due to a slowdown in the automobile industry were responsible for underlying weakness, traders said. An expected pickup in demand in September failed to materialise.

However, slight support was provided by uncertainty over the situation in the Gulf, because extensive commodity purchases are likely to be made in the event of war, they added.

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#90257d7450 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 14) - Demand for large tankers loading in the Middle-East Gulf continued unabated over the past week, despite high oil prices, London brokers E.A. Gibson said Friday in their latest report.

This activity reflected consumers' desire to replenish inventories, in fear of future disruption to supplies, they added.

Reported fixtures of large vessels in the Gulf amounted to 23 units of nearly 6.5 millions tonnes, and as a result rates improved. But demand for smaller vessels was very low.

The trend was hesitant out of West Africa, where rates drifted lower after a steady start, but made a recovery ahead of the week-end.

Conditions showed little change for crude carriers loading in the Mediterranean, but rates improved for clean carriers due to lack of tonnage.

An incrase in enquiry enabled shipowners in the Caribbean to obtain improved rates, but very little change occurred in the slow North Sea market.

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#90257d7470 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

East Berlin (SEPT. 14) - East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maziere Friday stripped Interior Minister Peter-Michael Diestel of responsibility for disbanding of the former Stasi secret police.

De Maziere replaced Diestel, under fire for alleged failure in the task, with interior ministry under-secretary, Eberhard Stief, a government spokesman said.

The move followed reports this week that several ministers of the present East German government had in the past worked for the former Communist regime's

secret police.

One of them was alleged Thursday to be Environment Minister Karl-Hermann Steinberg.

Chairman of the East German parliamentary committee responsible for examining the Stasi past of politicians, Peter Hildebrand, said several of the present ministers were known to have had links with the secret police.

Hildebrand gave no names. Informed sources said a total of four ministers were involved.

After a meeting with de Maiziere, Steinberg agreed to contact the parliamentary investigating committee and to an eventual public statement by it. Similar investigations are to be made into accusations against other ministers.

Meanwhile, Diestel announced that more than 60 former Stasi officers till lately employed in East German ministries and other authorities have since been dismissed or suspended from their jobs.

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#90257d7530 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 14) - Aluminium prices continued to climb on the London Metal Exchange (LME) here Friday.

Three-months metal was quoted at 2,088 dollars per ton in after-hours kerb trading, against 2,090 on the ring and 2,034 on Thursday.

But copper turned lower on weekend profit-taking, with the pound's firmer trend on foreign exchange markets adding to downward pressure in the sterling-quoted metal.

Three-months copper was quoted at 1,552 pounds per ton on the kerb, against 1,547 on the ring and 1,586 on Thursday.

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#90257d7540 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT 14) - Ten Asians, mostly Sri Lankans, were killed and 12 injured in a road accident Friday near the border with Iraq, the Jordanian news agency Petra reported.

Most of the casualties were Sri Lankans who had fled Kuwait and Iraq. They were being driven in a bus from a desert transit post to a camp at Azrak, 90 kilometres (55 miles) east of Amman.

The bus driven by a Thai national crashed into a tanker, the agency said. The driver and nine passengers were killed, and 12 injured. Two army helicopters evacuated the casualties to hospital.

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#90257d7610 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (SEPT 14) - The World Bank will loan Argentina four billion dollars over four years to help finance the government's economic reform program, World Bank Vice President Moen Qureshi said here Friday.

The first tranche of the loan will be made available next month, Mr. Qureshi said.

The international banker said the government of President Carlos Menem had taken "very brave and decisive steps" to control inflation and described the government's economic reform efforts as "functioning well."

Thursday Mr. Qureshi met with Economic Minister Antonio Erman Gonzalez and several economists and business leaders.

He also had lunch with Mr. Menem, who since coming to power last year has carried out a draconian austerity program that has included privatizing a broad range of state-owned enterprises.

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#90257d7650 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (SEPT. 14) - The West German government Friday protested to Iraq over the arrest of 31 German nationals in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, and demanded their immediate release.

Secretary of State Juergen Sudhoff summoned Iraqi charge d'affaires Mudhafar Abdulla Amin to the Foreign Ministry to deliver the protest.

He demanded the free exit of all Germans and other foreigners being held against their will in Iraq and occupied Kuwait, and condemned the latest action by Iraqi troops against diplomatic missions in Kuwait as a ''flagrant violation'' of international law.

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#90257d7690 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 14) - More than 350 Western women and children left Baghdad on Friday aboard an Iraqi Airways plane bound for London, aviation sources here said.

The Boeing 747 took off at 8.45 p.m. (1645 GMT) with 355 people on board,

including Americans, Canadians, Britons and other European nationals, the sources said.

The sources said some of the passengers had been picked up by the same plane from Kuwait earlier Friday.

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#90257d7710 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROME (SEPT. 14) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker Friday arrived here for talks during which he is expected to ask for a stronger European Community and Italian envolvement in the Gulf region.

Baker, who is to confer Saturday with Italian Premier Giulio Andreotti, was welcomed at the airport by his Italian counterpart Gianni de Michelis. Italy currently holds the E.C. presidency.

Earlier, the government in Rome said it would send more warships and eight Tornado fighter jets to the Gulf to defend Italian ships already there and strenghten the economic boycott of Iraq.

Andreotti has repeatedly said Italy supported a peaceful solution of the Gulf crisis, which began when Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2, thus prompting the U.S. and other nations to deploy troops in the region to prevent a possible Iraqi attack against Saudi Arabia.

Baker is to continue Saturday to Bonn, where he is due to discuss the Gulf crisis with West German offcials.

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#90257d7930 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BELGRADE (SEPT. 14) - A civil war is looming in the Yugoslav region of Kosovo observers said here Friday following armed clashes between Albanians and police that left four dead and three injured.

Some 90 per cent of the population of Kosovo, a province of the eastern Yugoslav republic of Serbia, is Albanian. Kosovo is resisting Serbian authority and demanding independence.

In the latest violence early Friday, two ethnic Albanians were killed and a policeman badly injured when police tried to stop a car for an identity check and its occupants opened fire, the news agency Tanjug said.

The two were killed when police returned fire. The incident occurred on the road from Klina to Pristina, capital of Kosovo.

Two more ethnic Albanians were killed and two policemen injured early Thursday

in a gun battle lasting nearly six hours in the village of Palatna, near Podujevo in northern Kosovo, a bastion of Albanian nationalism.

A police communique said 25 people suspected of opening fire on security forces were questioned. Police seized large quantities of arms and ammunition, radio gear and other "military equipment" during a search of the village.

The clash occurred as police were combing ethnic Albanian villages in Kosovo in search of illegal weapons possessed by Albanian nationalists.

On Monday, about 20 people were questioned and a large amount of weapons seized when a special police unit searched the nearby village of Trnava, near Podujevo, the newspaper Vecernje Novosti reported.

It said this followed the arrests in Slovenia of two ethnic Albanian arms traffickers from Trnava.

Ethnic tensions between Albanian nationalists and the Serbian authorities took a turn for the worse on July 2 when the Kosovo parliament proclaimed Kosovo's independence from Serbia and asked to be considered a full republic.

Three days later Serbia dissolved the parliament. But on September 7 it met in secret to adopt a "constitution for the Republic of Kosovo".

Serbian authorities consider Kosovo an integral part of Serbia, despite its overwhelmingly ethnic Albanian population. But the Albanian nationalists make no secret of their wish to be reunited with Albania, just across the border.

"We have lost all hope of finding a solution to the problems of Kosovo in the context of Yugoslavia," the writer Jussuf Buxhovi, secretary of the Democratic Union of Kosovo, told Agence France-Presse.

The union claims 700,000 members -- not much less than half the total 1.7 million population of ethnic Albanians in Kosovo.

Mr. Buxhovi maintained that the separation of Kosovo from Albania was "artificial", and that its reunification with the "mother country" was all the more likely since the Yugoslav federation "hardly exists any more".

The process of reform and democratisation in Albania would help this process, Mr. Buxhovi said.

The support of Kosovo's population for the Albanian nationalist cause was illustrated by a general strike in Kosovo on September 3 and a demonstration of several thousand people against the Serbian authorities on August 29.

The Serbian authorities of former communist party members are facing a general revival of nationalist and anti-communist sentiment.

Earlier this week, Serbian opposition leaders drew frantic applause at a mass rally in the Yugoslav capital when they threatened to boycott an election due to be held by the year-end unless they were given a share in organising it.

In more strains in Yugoslavia's fractious republics this week, police arrested 52 people in the central republic of Bosnia and Herzogovina to stop clashes between Serbs and Moslems.

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#90257d7940 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 14) - A week of International Cocoa Organisation (ICCO) talks were due to finish here Friday evening without taking any decision on a proposal to finance research and promotion of the product by sale of some of the organisation's stock cocoa.

Speaking ahead of the final council session here Friday, Peter Baron, the council's chairman, who proposed the scheme, said that the sale of ICCO stocks would not be on the agenda.

Earlier a spokesman for producer members of the ICCO had rejected the method of finance put forward in the proposal.

"We feel that the base for such finance (for the scheme) should take direct contributions from member governments", said Kuame N'Guessan, Ivory Coast delegate and producer spokesman.

Earlier this week, Mr. Baron proposed that 1,000 or 2,000 tonnes of the ICCO's stocks should be sold to finance cocoa promotion and genetic research.

His proposal is part of the ICCO's search for a new role since its market support operations collapsed in February 1988.

The ICCO is short of funds, and its 246,000-ton buffer stock is its only real asset.

Meanwhile the world cocoa market remains extremely depressed. The latest ICCO forecasts indicate that the amount supplied will exceed the amount demanded for the sixth year running this year, and that world cocoa stocks will reach 1.1 million tonnes by the end of 1990, equivalent to more than six months' consumption.

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#90257d7970 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 14) - A Thai military delegation arrived in Rangoon Friday for an official visit, state-run Radio Rangoon said in a report monitored here

Friday.

The delegation headed by Lieutenant General Naruedon Dejpradiyuth held talks with Burmese army chief General Than Shwe and senior Burmese military officials in Rangoon shortly after its arrival, the radio said.

The delegation was welomed at the airport by Burmese military intelligence chief Major-General Khin Nyunt and members of the ruling State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC), it said.

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#90257d8000 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT. 14) - In what was seen as a diplomatic breakthrough, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev received two Israeli ministers here Friday.

It was the first time a Kremlin leader has received top Israelis since Moscow broke diplomatic relations in 1967 in protest over the six-day war.

Finance Minister Izchak Moda'i and Energy Minister Juval Ne'eman are in Moscow at the invitation of the Soviet Chamber of Trade, for talks with the Finance Ministry and Academy of Sciences, Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov said.

Sources in Jerusalem said the two are expected to discuss a plan by U.S. Jewish millionaire businessman Armand Hammer to develop a Soviet-Israeli civil airliner with U.S.-made engines.

Gerasimov, announcing the visit by the two ministers, also said that Moscow was taking up ''contacts of a new kind with Saudi Arabia''. He did not elaborate.

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#90257d8030 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DAMASCUS (SEPT 14) - Foreign Minister Farouk al-Shara said Friday at the end of a visit by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker that Syria would investigate the Lockerbie bombing.

"We have agreed to follow the Lockerbie incident and we made it clear that if there was hard evidence against Jibril or any other Palestinian group staying in Syria, those responsible would be brought to trial," he said.

Mr. Baker said at a joint press conference before his departure that Syria and the United States differed on the "sufficiency of the evidence" after the explosion of the Pan Am jet over Lockerbie, Scotland, in December 1988.

Washington suspects the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General

Command, led by Ahmad Jibril and based in Damascus, was responsible for the mid-air explosion that killed 270 people.

Mr. Baker, who held more than four hours of talks with President Hafez al-Assad, said the United States had a "real problem" with Syria on the issue of terrorism.

"Our policy cannot and will never be immoral. We have close relations only with countries which share our values," Mr. Baker said. Syria is on a U.S. State Department list of countries said to support terrorism.

The Syrian foreign minister said: "We hope that our relations will improve to serve the interests of the two countries, and the peace and stability of the region."

Mr. Baker said that apart from terrorism, his talks with President Assad focussed on cooperation in the Gulf crisis.

"We talked at length about the Gulf crisis and about ways in which we can cooperate in order to implement the U.N. resolutions for an unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait," he said.

"We have a common goal and a common interest in this case."

Syria has deployed 3,000 troops in Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates as part of the U.S.-led military build-up in the Gulf to counter the Iraqi takeover of Kuwait, and will dispatch another 15,000, a Western diplomat said.

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#90257d8180 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT 14) - The Philippines could lose 63.08 million dollars in overseas workers remittances this year alone due to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, Press Secretary Tomas Gomez said here Friday.

The statement also noted there were some 60,000 Filipino contract workers in Kuwait during the August 2 invasion and that their return to this country may increase the unemployment rate, presently 10.7 percent.

Mr. Gomez noted that in 1989, the Philippines officially received 973 million dollars in remittances from overseas workers. About twice the official amount is believed remitted through unofficial sources, such as couriers.

Mr. Gomez said despite the Iraqi invasion, the government was still hoping that about 1.041 billion dollars would be remitted home this year.

He said that some 7,500 Filipinos had already been evacuated from the Gulf adding that the Philippines was eyeing Taiwan, Hong Kong, Japan and Saudi

Arabia to absorb at least 80,000 Filipino workers displaced by the Gulf crisis.

With this in mind, the government has launched a "job exchange program for displaced overseas workers," which will pinpoint alternative jobs for the workers.

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#90257d8220 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW, (SEPT 14) - Israeli Finance Minister Yitzhak Modai and Energy Minister Yuvai Neeman held talks here Friday with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, Soviet television reported.

It was the first meeting at such a level between the two countries in 23 years. Observers said it was a gesture on the part of the Soviet president linked to the Gulf crisis.

Moscow broke off diplomatic relations with Israel in 1967 following the Six-Day War, and has made their restoration conditional on Israeli acceptance of an international conference on the Middle East.

But contacts between Israel and the Soviet Union have been growing in recent years and an Israeli consular delegation has been working in Moscow for more than a year.

The Israeli ministers, who arrived here from Vienna Friday, are visiting the Soviet Union at the invitation of the Soviet Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Soviet television, in a brief report with no pictures, said the two sides discussed "questions of mutual interest".

Also on Friday, a delegation of four Israeli foreign ministry officials held talks at the Soviet foreign ministry.

Those talks were considered preparatory to a forthcoming meeting between Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and his Israeli counterpart, David Levy, at the United Nations in New York at the end of September.

An informed Israeli source said Friday's meetings had been set up by a Soviet Jew who emigrated to Israel, identified as M. I. Zentsov.

The source said the intermediary interviewed Mr. Gorbachev for a book he was writing. The Soviet news agency Tass identified Mr. Zentsov as an adviser to the Israeli ministry of energy.

Earlier this month, Mr. Shevardnadze called for an international conference on the Middle East that would first focus on Iraq's invasion of Kuwait but subsequently deal with the Israeli-Arab conflict.

He then expressed a wish to hold talks with the Israeli government up to ministerial level.

Israel reacted quickly with an official refusal to take part in any international conference dealing with Israeli affairs. The United States also rejected any link between the Gulf crisis and the Palestinian issue.

The Soviet Union has recognised the proclamation of a Palestinian state, and given official recognition to the Palestinian Liberation Organisation at embassy level.

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#90257d8330 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEP 14) - Nayef Hawatmeh, Secretary General of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (Dflp), warned Friday that the coming phase in the Gulf crisis could result in ''the changing of the geo-political map'' in the region, and warned of Israeli involvement in a possible confrontation.

Hawatmeh, who arrived earlier in the day on an official visit to Amman for the first time in 20 years, called for convening an international peace conference that would link the Gulf crisis with the Palestine problem.

''We need a broad-based international conference that would group the Gulf problem with the Palestinian problem, to solve these conflicts within the international law and resolutions,'' Hawatmeh told a press conference.

He warned that U.S. and Nato forces deployed in the Gulf ''did not come for a picnic...they are here on a predetermined plan to spread their hegemony on the region and its resources''.

He said Israel ''has massed troops'' near the Um Qais area in the northern part of Jordan ''in preparation for a possible attack on Iraq from Jordanian territory''.

Hawatmeh said this Israeli deployment of forces ''is in preparation for an Israeli involvement in the second phase of confrontation in the Gulf.''

He explained that the first step would be ''an American air strike against Iraq accompanied by an assault of ground forces to invade Kuwait and then to open bridgeheads within Iraqi territory.

Hawatmeh did not reveal the source of his information, but said the Palestinian resistance ''would fight alongside the Jordanian and Iraqi armies and peoples to repel such an Israeli assault''.

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#90257d8410 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) - The Iranian government has released an American businessman held since October 1984 on charges of misusing foreign currency, the State Department said Friday.

It said the prisoner, Erwin David Rabhan, apparently served his entire term in an Iranian prison and would be leaving Teheran Friday for the United States.

Officials said they did not read any improvement in U.S.-Iranian relations into the release.

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#90257d8660 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 13) - Kuwait's representative to the United Nations conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) called Friday for the expulsion of Iraq from international organizations and denounced the "violation" by Iraqi troops of Western embassies in Kuwait City.

Ambassador Tareq Razzouqi told a plenary session of the parley that President Saddam Hussein's regime "does not represent the Iraqi people."

Delegates of Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) also denounced the latest Iraqi action, in particular the invasion of the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait City.

They were speaking in a debate on a report by the conference's credentials committee which rejected an Iraqi bid to have the Kuwaiti government-in-exile and Israel ousted from their seats.

The U.S. delegate, Laurance Bond, said there was "no basis" for questioning the "legitimate right" of either of these states to take part in the conference.

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#90257d8670 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT 14) - A plenary session of the Soviet Communist Party central committee will be held early next month to focus on the transition to a market economy, the official Soviet news agency Tass reported Friday.

It said the meeting had been decided by the party's political bureau during an "animated" discussion Thursday on economic reform.

Tass said the meeting would help the party establish its position amid "intense" research on how to embark on radical reform of the Soviet economy, and it would also discuss ways to protect workers during this reform.

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#90257d8680 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) - U.S., British and French ships with nuclear capabilities participating in the multinational naval deployment in the Gulf region are carrying about 450 nuclear weapons, according to the ecological-pacifist organization Greenpeace.

In a statement released Friday, Greenpeace said three U.S. aircraft carriers -- the USS Saratoga, Independence and Kennedy -- patrolling respectively the Red Sea, the Sea of Oman and the Mediterranean Sea, are each carrying 100 nuclear bombs or nuclear anti-submarine charges.

The group said the French aircraft carrier Clemenceau was transporting between eight to 18 nuclear bombs and medium-range ground-to-air missiles.

Two British vessels, the destroyer Gloucester and the frigate Battleaxe, were each equipped with two to four nuclear anti-submarine missiles, the group said.

The U.S. battleship Wisconsin and several U.S. cruisers and destroyers are also equipped with a total of about 50 Tomahawk cruise missiles with nuclear capability, the statement said.

In addition, according to Jane's Fighting Ships, the Soviet cruiser Udaloy is fitted with eight 533-millimeter torpedoes with nuclear capability and eight SS-N-14 missile launchers that could also be equipped with a nuclear warhead.

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#90257d8700 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RIYADH (SEPT. 14) - King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and Pakistani Prime Minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi discussed the Gulf crisis in the western city of Jeddah on Friday, Saudi officials said.

The Saudi foreign minister, Prince Saudi al-Faisal, and his Pakistani counterpart Sahabzada Yaqub Khan also took part in the talks.

Mr. Jatoi, who attended Friday prayers in the Moslem holy city of Medina, was also expected to visit Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates on his first trip abroad since last month's change of government in Pakistan.

Pakistan has condemned the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, demanded restoration of Kuwait's independence and backed United Nations resolutions on sanctions against Baghdad.

Islamabad has also decided to send more than 5,000 troops for the defence of Saudi Arabia.

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#90257d8710 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT 14) - Black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela told a 2,000-strong congregation at a synagogue here Friday he hoped Jews would play a meaningful role in building a new South Africa as a home for all.

Invited to the Temple Shalom to dispel the perception that the ANC's support for the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) amounts to anti-Semitism, Mr. Mandela compared the Nazi execution of six million Jews to the forced removal of four million black South Africans under apartheid.

The African National Congress (ANC), of which Mr. Mandela is deputy president, "condemns all forms of racism including any manifestation of anti-Semitism," he said, pointing out that many Arab countries had withheld support for the ANC because it accepted Jews as members.

"The rich history and traditions of the South African Jewish community has much to contribute to the process of transformation now underway," he said.

Asking his audience to listen attentively, he said: "If Zionism means the right of Israel to seize territories and deny the Palestinian people their right to self-determination, and suppress by brute force their right to self-expression, then we condemn Zionism in the strongest terms.

"But if Zionism means the right of the Jewish people to live in secure boundaries ... to live in a land that affords them the right to fully express their culture, religion and tradition, then we consider that a healthy movement. This is indeed what we understand Zionism to be."

He went on: "The people of Palestine also have the right to nationhood in the land of their birth.

"Our shared experience with the PLO of racial intolerance, forced removals, demolition of homes, detention, torture and repeated massacres of course results in firm bonds of friendship."

Calling for bridge-building both in the Middle East and South Africa, he said: "We hope that the Jewish community looks to South Africa as their home, their future, a country to which they belong as a right.

"We believe that South Africa belongs to all who live in it, black and white, irrespective of race, colour or creed."

To warm applause he said: "We have every confidence that individually and as a community you will play a very meaningful role in building a democratic South Africa."

Rabbi Adi Assabi warned his congregation to think very hard before branding anyone an anti-Semite, and urged the Israeli government to invite Mr. Mandela to Israel.

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#90257d8780 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT 14) - South Africa faces "a full scale civil war" if the country's worst-ever wave of violence continues unabated, African National Congress (ANC) deputy president Nelson Mandela warned here Friday.

At the end of a day during which he had crisis talks in Pretoria with President Frederik de Klerk on the killings which have left well over 700 dead around Johannesburg in the past month, Mr. Mandela told a 2,000-strong congregation at a synagogue here: "We are on the very threshhold of freedom.

"This moment holds great possibilities but also very great dangers. On the eve of real negotiations forces determined to wreck the peace process have implemented a strategy of destabilisation which has resulted in the very real and terrifying prospect of a full-scale civil war breaking out," he said.

"There is no doubt in my mind that the police and sectors of the government are working with a variety of vigilante forces including Inkatha," Zulu leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's party.

Inkatha supporters, mainly Zulu migrant workers, have been accused of using the single-sex hostels in the townships as springboards for attacks on the locals.

He recalled the ANC's decision in its historic second round of preliminary talks with the government on August 6 to suspend its 29-year-old campaign of violence, but warned: "We have not forfeited our right to self-defence."

"If the strongest measures are not taken against the perpetrators of this violence, including elements of the South African Police, we will be forced to reconsider our present policies," Mr. Mandela said.

He had earlier told a media conference at ANC headquarters here that Mr. De Klerk would unveil a "comprehensive plan" Monday aimed at bringing troublemakers to book.

"One of the significant statements he made was that the government is convinced that this is no longer a clash between black and black, it is no longer a clash between Inkatha and the ANC or between Zulus and Xhosas. There is some hidden hand here, which the government intends to track down."

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#90257d8850 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OTTAWA (SEPT. 14) - The Canadian government announced Friday it is sending a squadron of Cf-18 aircraft to the Gulf to support two destroyers and a supply vessel already sent there.

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney said it would mean between 400 and 500 more personnel joining the 900 crew aboard the naval vessels, which were crossing the Mediterranean and would enter ''active service'' Saturday.

Opposition Liberal Party spokesman Lloyd Axworthy hit out at the decision to commit more Canadian forces, saying the ''decision to escalate'' had come not from the United Nations but from Washington.

Canada should instead concentrate on a political settlement of the Gulf crisis he said, warning that Iraqi President Saddam Husein ''is not going to disappear in a puff of smoke''.

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#90257d8910 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) - President George Bush sent to Congress Friday a bill that would forgive some seven billion dollars -- more than half the amount owed -- of Latin American and Caribbean debt to the U.S. Government.

Mr. Bush was also preparing a measure that would lower trade barriers with Mexico. That measure could be submitted Monday when administration trade officials testify before the House-Senate Joint Economic Committee.

The bill to forgive much of the Latin American and Caribbean debt totalling 12 billion dollars also provides for creating a special fund to step up Western investment in that region.

The bill would earmark 100 million dollars over the next five years to the Inter-American Development Bank to provide services to help western companies to invest in Latin America and the Caribbean.

The measure would be the first concrete step of Mr. Bush's "Americas Initiative Act" announced in June. It was aimed at developing free enterprise in Latin America and trade between the Americas.

"We believe these measures together will boost trade, investment and growth in our hemisphere, Mr. Bush said.

"This legislation is good for our neighbors, it's good for our hemisphere and It believe it is very good for the United States," he added.

Mr. Bush was also pushing for approval of his bill to lower trade barriers

with Mexico in time for his November visit with Mexican President Carlos Salinas in Mexico City, said officials who asked not to be identified.

Mexico, with the world's eighth largest oil reserves, could step up its production to offset the shortfall caused by the Gulf crisis with a free-trade pact with the United States.

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#90257d8940 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 14) - The United States Friday called for an immediate end to the bloody violence in South Africa and urged all parties to stop blaming each other.

"We see the violence of the past few days in South Africa, particularly the incident on a commuter train (near Johhanesburg Thursday) in which at least 26 people, were killed as a horrible tragedy which the parties should bring to a halt immediately," said State Department Richard Boucher.

"It is absolutely imperative, in our view, that all parties put political considerations aside and work together to develop a strategy for ending the violence," he told a press briefing.

The violence in South Africa's black townships is pitting migrant workers who support conservative Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Zulu Inkatha Movement against followers of Nelson Mandela's African National Congress.

The ANC and townships residents have charged that the violence is being instigated by white extremists collaborating with Zulu migrant workers.

Asked for comment, Mr. Boucher said the cause of the violence was deep-rooted and called on all parties to stop blaming each other and to resolve their differences through negotiations.

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#90257d8970 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARLSRUHE, West Germany (SEPT. 14) - West German police have discovered in Hanover what they believe is a safe house used by members of an Irish Republican Army (IRA) team which shot dead two Australians in the Netherlands last May, prosecutors here said Friday.

According to the prosecutors, the apartment was used as a hideout by the IRA gunmen who killed the two Australian tourists in the belief that they were off-duty British soldiers.

The IRA acknowledged after the shooting that it had been a case of mistaken identity and expressed its regrets.

The underground organization launched a campaign against British servicemen stationed in West Germany in 1987.

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#90257d9050 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (SEPT. 14) - Hungarian Prime Minister Jozsef Antall, who is on an official visit to Italy, on Friday confirmed that his country intended to leave the Warsaw Pact military alliance "before the end of 1991."

"Before next June the Russians will leave Hungary and our sovereignty will be total; we are ready to renew our historic links with the centre of Europe," Mr. Antall was quoted as telling Italian Prime Minister Guilio Andreotti.

A spokesman for Mr. Andreotti also said the two sides had signed a 10-year industrial and technological cooperation agreement, under which Hungary is to gain "preferential" access to Italy, notably in the fields of investment and patent protection and the creation of joint ventures.

The spokesman added that Mr. Antall had reaffirmed Hungary's desire to become an associate member of the European Economic Community before the end of next year, with a view to starting talks on full membership, if possible by January 1993.

Italy currently holds the revolving presidency of EEC institutions.

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#90257d9130 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) - The United States Friday called on the Salvadoran rebels to agree to an immediate ceasefire as proposed by the San Salvador Government in on-going U.N.-mediated talks in San Jose.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said U.N.-mediated talks that resumed Thursday "offer the best chances in years to end the war and we're confident they can succeed if both sides ... are flexible and serious."

Mr. Boucher also accused rebels of the leftist Farabundo Marti Liberation Front (FMLN) of preparing a new offensive in their decade-long war against the U.S.-backed government.

"We urge the FMLN to respond positively to the (Salvadoran) government call for an immediate ceasefire and to permit the U.N. mediator to put forth compromise proposals as both sides agreed in their initial session," he added.

Showing little hope of any breakthrough in this latest round of talks, Colonel Mauricio Vargas, who represents the army at the negociations, warned that

"lack of progress ... could lead to increased warfare."

The negotiations began a year ago, then were halted in November by a major guerrilla offensive that left thousands dead and injured. Talks were reconvened in April.

The guerrillas have refused to lay down their weapons until the Salvadoran army and police forces are phased out and replaced by civilian-controlled police, something the government of rightist President Alfredo Cristiani has refused.

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#90257d9430 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT 15) - Ahmad Ben Bella, the former Algerian president and independence war leader, arrived here late on Friday en route for Baghdad for talks on the Gulf crisis, officials said.

Mr. Ben Bella, who was given an official welcome at Amman airport, was due to fly on to the Iraqi capital on Saturday for a meeting with President Saddam Hussein, an Iraqi diplomatic source said.

The Baghdad visit comes less than two weeks before Mr. Ben Bella is due to return to Algiers after nine years in exile in Switzerland.

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#90257d9510 09/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH (SEPT 15) - French Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement arrived here early Saturday for a 24-hour visit which was to include meetings with the Saudi defense minister and King Fahd.

Mr. Chevenement refused to comment on the violation on Friday of the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait City by Iraqi troops and the brief seizure of three French nationals from the property.

He was accompanied by the French army chief of staff Maurice Schmitt.

Mr. Chevenement was scheduled on Saturday to visit the port city of Yanbu, where 104 French troops from the 3rd combat helicopter regiment and the 1st infantry regiment are stationed along with six helicopters.

He will then meet with his Saudi counterpart Prince Sultan Ibn Abd Al-Aziz and with King Fahd.

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#90257e0007 09/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Lima (SEPT. 14) EFE - Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori has said his country would resume payments on its dlrs 600 million World Bank debt on October 1, in a move aimed at making peace with its disgruntled international creditors.

Fujimori made the announcement late Thursday following a meeting with the World Bank's vice president for Latin America and the Caribbean, Shahid Husain.

The president said his talks with Husain were positive and would +lead to normal relations between Peru and the World Bank+.

Fujimori did not give details of the payment plan.

Five years ago, former president Alan Garcia enraged the international financial community by declaring that payments on Peru's foreign debt would be restricted to just 10 per cent of export earnings.

As a result, relations with the Inter-American Development Bank and the World bank deteriorated and the International Monetary Fund declared Peru ineligible for financial aid.

Peru's total foreign debt currently stands at some dlrs 19 billion.

Fujimori Thursday also said he did not rule out new negotiations with the United States over a dlrs 36 million aid package to help Peru fight the drug trade if Washington allowed Peru to use some of the funds to combat leftist rebels.

On Wednesday Fujimori had said his nearly two-month-old government would not sign the anti-drug accord which he dubbed +inconvenient+ because it did not take into account the role of leftist rebel groups in the drug trade.

Peru is the world's largest producer of coca leaf, the raw material for the manufacture of cocaine, and Maoist +Shining Path+ guerrillas are suspected of helping traffickers battle government forces.

"Everyone in the region knows that the problem is not only one of drug trafficking but also terrorism," Fujimori said Thursday.

He said U.S. Ambassador to Peru Anthony Quainton informed him that the deadline for signing the accord was last Friday, but added that he hoped negotiations of such a nature would be given more flexibility.

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#90257e0008 09/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Seoul (SEPT. 14) EFE - At least 106 people were killed and another 40 went missing in the torrential rains and floods that swept through South Korea

earlier this week, officials said Friday.

The South Korean Disaster Relief Center said Friday that an estimated 160,000 people were made homeless during the flooding in the South Korean capital of Seoul and nearby towns.

The damage to homes, public buildings and highways has been estimated at dlrs 240 million.

Parts of Seoul were still without electricity and running water Friday, two days after the rainstorm ended.

South Korean authorities have mobilized more than 300,000 people, mainly soldiers and civil servants, to clean up the city, restore order and repair the damage caused by the three-day rainstorm.

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#90257e0011 09/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Santiago de Compostela, Spain (SEPT. 14) EFE - The northwestern region of Galicia was cut off by road from the rest of Spain Friday for the second day running as thousands of farmers blocked major highways with tractors to protest low milk prices.

Traffic was scarce in most Galician cities and no food supplies reached local markets.

At least four people were reported injured in clashes Friday between angry motorists and the farmers, who are demanding a near 30 per cent raise in the price of milk and government subsidies to the sector.

Seven people were injured late Thursday when a car collided with tractors blocking a road near Santiago de Compostela.

The only major Galician highway open to traffic Friday was the one linking the southern province of Pontevedra with Portugal, while access to the region's airports was also made difficult by the blockade.

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#90257e0015 09/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT 14) EFE - The parliament of the Soviet republic of Latvia has called for the expulsion of Iraqi military officials training in the republic under a Soviet-Iraqi cooperation agreement, the daily Komsomolskaya Pravda reported Friday.

Referring to Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, the parliament passed a motion late Thursday strongly "protesting the presence in (Latvian) territory

of soldiers from the Iraqi Army which is an aggressor."

Komsomolskaya Pravda cited Soviet military officials in the Latvian capital of Riga as saying the Iraqis, along with other foreign military officials, were receiving training on the maintenance of warship defensive equipment.

Some 140 Soviet military advisers are still in Iraq under the cooperation agreement between Baghdad and Moscow.

But Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev assured his U.S. counterpart George Bush during a summit last weekend in the Finnish capital that the advisers were not abetting Iraqi aggression.

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#90257e0016 09/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PARIS (SEPT 14) EFE - Iraqi troops Friday entered the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait and took away four people, including the French military attache, to an unknown location, Foreign Ministry officials said.

The other three seized were not diplomats but had been in hiding at the residence since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, the ministry said.

The French government summoned the Iraqi ambassador in Paris to demand an explanation of the incident which a ministry spokesman termed "an intolerable attack on the Vienna Convention."

The convention guarantees diplomatic immunity and privileges.

Iraq ordered all embassies in Kuwait to close down late last month, saying that it would not recognize the diplomatic status of embassy staff.

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#90257e0020 09/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MALAGA, SPAIN (SEPT 14) EFE - Spanish veterinarians are investigating 18 recent mystery horse deaths in the south of the country to determine if they are linked to the deadly African equine fever which has threatened equestrian events at the Barcelona Olympic Games in 1992, police said Friday.

Among the dead horses were five which died suddenly in the province of Malaga on Thursday night and Friday morning.

The majority of the dead horses were colts which had not been vaccinated against equine fever although vaccinated full-grown horses appeared among the dead, the Andalucian Commission for Agriculture and Fishing said Friday.

The first of the recent deaths was reported at the beginning of this month.

As the cause of deaths is still unclear, local officials have intensified their efforts to vaccinate colts against the fever and have sent the bodies of the dead horses to Madrid for further analysis.

Meanwhile, the Olympic Organizing Committee is to present a report Monday to the International Olympic Committee saying that equine fever is under control and that there is no threat of a new outbreak.

The conditional ban on Olympic horse events at the Barcelona games expected to be lifted after Monday's meeting.

In July, Spanish authorities presented the members of the International Equine Federation with a report on their attempts to eradicate the disease, which seemed to show complete success.

However, previous attempts to eradicate the fever after some 200 horses died in 1987 failed as more cases of the disease appeared in 1988 and last year.

The fever is transmitted by mosquitoes and is believed to have crossed into Spain from North Africa.

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#90257e0026 09/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT 14) EFE - Iraqi authorities Friday began rationing bread as the effects of the United Nations embargo, imposed following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, began to bite harder.

The government said it would distribute coupons allowing Iraqis to purchase six kg of bread per month, or about three pieces of Arab pita bread a day.

Sugar, olive oil, flour, meat and other basic foods have already been rationed to offset shortages resulting from the U.N. sanctions.

Iraqi grocery stores were reportedly near empty and the authorities have announced that shopkeepers would be given the death sentence if they sold food on the black market or larger quantities than the government coupons allowed.

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#90257e0036 09/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (SEPT. 14) EFE - The Madrid stock exchange's general index dropped to its lowest point this year, a fall blamed on the latest developments in the Gulf crisis.

The general index slipped down 2.53 points to end trading at 233.42.

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#90257e0038 09/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Brasilia (SEPT. 14) EFE - The Brazilian government is seeking to increase from 16 to 30 the number of financial institutions that will take part in debt rescheduling talks next month.

Finance Minister Zelia Cardoso de Mello made the announcement Thursday, after signing a letter of intent with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to secure a dlrs two billion loan.

The letter said Brazil would open an escrow account and begin setting aside interest owed to commercial banks, although it made no promise that the government would resume interest payments on its dlrs 114 billion foreign debt.

Brazil suspended interest payments in June 1989 and will not begin servicing its debt again until it reaches a new rescheduling agreement, the economy minister said.

Rescheduling talks are set to begin in October with Brazil's bank creditor committee, which includes representatives of the 16 largest creditors, but the government will try to include 14 additional financial institutions with smaller stakes in Brazil's debt.

Observers said the move is aimed at making the talks easier, since the smaller lenders have proved more flexible in previous negotiations.

Of Brazil's dlrs 114.7 billion foreign debt, drls 72.1 billion is owed to private banks, dlrs 6.5 billion is held by foreign branches of Brazilian banks and the rest is owed to international financial organizations like the World Bank and the countries that make up the Paris Club.

Brazil's largest private creditor is the U.S.-based Citicorp (dlrs 3.4 billion), followed by Chase Manhattan (dlrs 2.3 billion) and Bank of America (dlrs 1.8 billion).

As of July 31, Brazil owed dlrs eight billion in back interest to private banks and dlrs two billion to the Paris Club.

The debt rescheduling talks in October will take place simultaneously with private banks, the IMF and the Paris Club.

Since taking office in June, President Fernando Collor de Mello has imposed severe austerity measures aimed at slashing inflation and getting the debt-laden economy back in the good graces of the international financial community.

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#90257e0040 09/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Madrid (SEPT. 14) EFE - The Spanish government is to send an Airbus jet to Jordan next week to evacuate Filipinos, Egyptians and Pakistanis who have fled to the country following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait last month, diplomatic sources said Friday.

The plane is to take the Asians from Amman airport to Karachi in Pakistan and then return to Amman to pick up a group of Egyptians and take them to Cairo.

The Filipinos will make their way home from Karachi by other means, the sources said.

The Airbus is expected to leave Monday, the sources said.

Tens of thousand of refugees, mostly migrant workers who held jobs in oil-rich Iraq and Kuwait before the August 2 invasion, are living in squalid conditions in makeshift camps in Jordan.

A Spanish Hercules military transport plane took a group of Egyptians home from Jordan on August 29.

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#90257e0051 09/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
LISBON (SEPT. 14) EFE - Portuguese intelligence services have evidence that terrorist groups backed by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein are plotting attacks on U.S. interests in Spain and Portugal, Portuguese press reported Friday.

The daily Publico reported that Portuguese authorities were investigating five people travelling on Moroccan passports who entered Portugal during the last two weeks of August.

The magazine O Jornal said that five followers of Abu Nidal, head of what is considered by Western intelligence services as one of the most dangerous Palestinians groups, were currently in the southern Algarve region, in southern Portugal, to carry out attacks on U.S. interests in Portugal and Spain.

O Jornal also reported that the five were carrying Moroccan passports and were identified in the northern coastal city of Oporto after stealing a car.

The Portuguese police are keeping tabs on a dozen people from the Iraqi embassy in Lisbon and the around 150 Iraqis residing in Portugal, Publico said.

An Interior Ministry spokesman said the police had been on alert since the Gulf crisis erupted six weeks ago and that "all of the necessary measures have been taken" to prevent terrorist activity.

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#90257h0012 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 13) XINHUA - THE WORLD BANK IS HELPING THE REPUBLIC OF YEMEN IMPROVE A MAJOR ROADWAY THAT CONNECTS IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL AREAS TO COASTAL CITIES, THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (IDA) ANNOUNCED TODAY.

IDA, AN AFFILIATE OF THE WORLD BANK THAT LENDS ON CONCESSIONAL TERMS TO THE POOREST COUNTRIES, IS SUPPORTING THE PROJECT WITH A CREDIT EQUIVALENT TO 30 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

THE PROJECT INCLUDES UPGRADING THE 157-KILOMETER HARAD- HUTH ROAD IN THE COUNTRY'S NORTHWESTERN REGION. ROAD IMPROVEMENTS WILL GIVE FARMERS IN THE REGION EASIER ACCESS TO MARKETS IN YEMEN'S MAJOR COASTAL CITIES AND IN SAUDI ARABIA.

IT ALSO INCLUDES MEASURES AIMED AT IMPROVING THE OPERATIONS OF KEY PORTS AND CIVIL AVIATION AGENCIES, IDA SAID.

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#90257h0050 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - PAKISTAN HAS DECIDED TO SUSPEND OIL SUPPLY EVERY FRIDAY FROM TODAY IN ORDER TO SAVE ENERGY, AN OFFICIAL SOURCE HERE SAID.

THE DECISION WAS MADE AT A MEETING AT THE OFFICE OF THE OIL COMPANIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN KARACHI THURSDAY. IT REQUESTED THE CUSTOMERS TO COOPERATE WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

UNDER THE DECISION, ALL PETROL PUMPS SITUATED WITHIN THE MUNICIPAL AND CANTONMENT LIMITS WILL REMAIN CLOSED ON FRIDAYS FROM SEPTEMBER 14.

OIL PRICES WERE AVERAGELY FIXED AT ABOUT 7.5 RUPEES (ABOUT 0.3 U.S. DOLLAR) PER LITER IN PAKISTAN. THE GOVERNMENT HAS SO FAR NOT RAISED THE PRICE BUT APPEALED TO ALL INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL UNITS AND CONSUMERS TO USE THE ENERGY AS ECONOMICALLY AS POSSIBLE TO COPE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL OIL CRISIS CAUSED BY THE GULF TENSION.

EARLIER REPORTS SAID PAKISTAN HAS TO INCREASE IMPORTS TO 60,000 BARRELS OF OIL A DAY FROM SAUDI ARABIA TO MEET THE SHORTAGE RESULTING FROM THE STOPPAGE OF OIL SUPPLY FROM KUWAIT. IT IS EXPECTED TO SUFFER A LOSS OF 1 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS TO BALANCE THE PAYMENTS BECAUSE OF THE GULF CRISIS.

PAKISTAN'S DAILY OIL REQUIREMENTS ARE ABOUT 200,000 BARRELS, OF WHICH, 60,000 BARRELS ARE PRODUCED BY PAKISTAN ITSELF.

BEFORE KUWAIT'S FALL ON AUGUST 2, 60,000 BARRELS WERE IMPORTED FROM KUWAIT, 40,000 BARRELS FROM SAUDI ARABIA, 10,000 BARRELS FROM IRAN, 10,000 BARRELS FROM UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (UAE) AND 20,000 BARRELS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES.

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#90257h0052 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - INDIA WAS URGED TO TAKE MEASURES TO CONTROL THE FEMALE FETICIDE, BEFORE IT COULD CONTRIBUTE SIGNIFICANTLY TO DEMOGRAPHIC IMBALANCE.

THIS WAS STATED BY AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT BROUGHT OUT ON THE OCCASION OF THE SOUTH ASIAN ASSOCIATION FOR REGIONAL COOPERATION (SAARC) YEAR OF THE GIRL CHILD. THE DOCUMENT WAS AVAILABLE HERE TODAY.

THE DOCUMENT NOTED THAT MORE THAN ONE FOURTH OF THE 12 MILLION GIRLS BORN IN INDIA EVERY YEAR DO NOT SURVIVE BEYOND THEIR 15TH BIRTHDAY, AND THAT ONE SIXTH OF FEMALE DEATHS ARE DUE TO GENDER DISCRIMINATION. REGION, RELIGION AND CASTE TOO EXERCISE AN INFLUENCE OVER MORTALITY RATES.

APPROXIMATELY ONE QUARTER OF INDIA'S POPULATION OF 810 MILLION COMPRISES GIRLS UP TO THE AGE OF 19 AND, DESPITE BEING BIOLOGICALLY STRONGER THAN BOYS, ALMOST 300,000 MORE GIRLS DIE ANNUALLY, IT SAID.

THE DOCUMENT OBSERVED THE RATIO OF FEMALES PER THOUSAND MALES IN THE COUNTRY HAS BEEN DETERIORATING FROM DECADE TO DECADE IN THE 20TH CENTURY, FROM 972 IN 1901 TO 933 IN 1981.

AGE SPECIFIC DEATH RATES REVEAL THAT UP TO THE AGE OF 35 MORE FEMALES THAN MALES DIE.

THIRTEEN PERCENT OF FEMALE DEATHS BEFORE THE AGE OF 24 YEARS ARE DUE TO COMPLICATIONS OF PREGNANCY AND CHILD BIRTH, IT ADDED.

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#90257h0057 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LUANDA (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - ANGOLAN OIL TANKER "PETRANGOL" WITH 1,300 TONS OF OIL ON BOARD WILL ARRIVE AT NAMIBIA'S PORT LUDERITZ TOMORROW.

IT IS THE FIRST TIME FOR ANGOLA TO EXPORT OIL TO NAMIBIA. ACCORDING TO "ANGOLA DAILY" REPORTS, ANGOLA WILL EXPORT OTHER 1,800 TONS OF OIL TO NAMIBIA LATER THIS MONTH IN ACCOR- DANCE WITH A CONTRACT CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE ANGOLA OIL COMPANY AND THE SHELL NAMIBIA.

DURING A VISIT TO NAMIBIA TWO MONTHS AGO, A DELEGATION OF THE ANGOLA OIL COMPANY DISCUSSED WITH THE NAMIBIAN AUTHORITIES THE POSSIBILITY OF EXPORTING ANGOLAN OIL TO NAMIBIA.

ANGOLA IS THE SECOND LARGEST OIL PRODUCER IN AFRICA SOUTH OF SAHARA WITH A PRODUCTION OF 500,000 BARRELS A DAY.

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#90257h0059 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - HONG KONG NARCOTICS BUREAU OFFICERS SEIZED FIVE LITERS OF AMPHETAMINE IN LIQUID FORM IN VARIOUS PLACES IN KOWLOON ON THURSDAY WHILE ARRESTING FOUR MEN AND ONE WOMAN, LOCAL POLICE SAID HERE TODAY.

IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE DRUG SEIZED IS INTENDED TO BE SOLD IN JAPAN WITH A MARKET VALUE OF ABOUT 37.5 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (4.8 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

THE CASE WAS DISCOVERED AFTER THREE MONTHS OF INVESTIGATION. NARCOTICS BUREAU OFFICERS THURSDAY INTERCEPTED THREE MEN AND ONE WOMAN OUTSIDE HUNG HOM RAILWAY STATION AND FOUND WITH THEM NINE SHAMPOO BOTTLES CONTAINING THE DRUG.

THEY RAIDED VARIOUS PLACES IN KOWLOON AND ARRESTED ONE MORE MAN LATER. A POLICE SPOKESMAN SAID THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT THE POLICE FOUND AMPHETAMINE IN LIQUID FORM.

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#90257h0060 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - HONG KONG'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE REMAINED STABLE AT A LOW LEVEL WHILE THE UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE INCREASED FROM MAY TO JULY THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL LABOR FORCE FIGURES RELEASED HERE TODAY.

THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE DURING THE PERIOD WAS 1.7 PERCENT, WHICH REPRESENTED A 0.5 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD A YEAR EARLIER.

THE LATEST FIGURES GIVEN BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT SHOW THAT FROM MAY TO JULY THIS YEAR THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS IN HONG KONG WAS ESTIMATED AT 46,700 COMPARED WITH 34,100 IN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

THE UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE FOR MAY-JULY 1990 WAS ONE PERCENT, COMPARED WITH 0.7 PERCENT FOR BOTH THE THREE MONTHS ENDING APRIL 1990 AND THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD A YEAR EARLIER.

THE ESTIMATED NUMBER OF UNDEREMPLOYED PERSONS IN MAY-JULY 1990 WAS 26,800, COMPARED WITH 19,200 IN THE THREE MONTHS ENDING JULY 1989.

PERSONS WHO WORKED LESS THAN 35 HOURS A WEEK DUE TO ECONOMIC REASONS SUCH AS SLACK WORK, MATERIAL SHORTAGE, MECHANICAL BREAKDOWN AND INABILITY TO FIND FULL-TIME WORK WERE REGARDED AS UNDEREMPLOYED ONLY IF THEY WERE EITHER SEEKING OR AVAILABLE FOR MORE WORK.

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#90257h0063 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
JINAN (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - A NOVEL TITLED, "A BIOGRAPHY OF CONFUCIUS" WILL BE PUBLISHED BY THE SHANDONG FRIENDSHIP PUBLISHING HOUSE DURING THE SHANDONG INTERNATIONAL CONFUCIAN CULTURAL FESTIVAL LATER THIS MONTH.

CONFUCIUS (551-479 B.C.), A NATIVE OF WHAT IS NOW QUFU IN SHANDONG, WAS A FAMOUS PHILOSOPHER AND EDUCATOR DURING THE SPRING AND AUTUMN PERIOD (722-481 B.C.). HIS WORKS HAD A PROFOUND INFLUENCE ON CHINESE CULTURE.

THE BIOGRAPHY WAS WRITTEN BY QU CHUNLI, A VISITING PROFESSOR AT SHANDONG UNIVERSITY AND DIRECTOR OF THE JINING CITY FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICE.

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#90257h0074 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
MANILA (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINES HAS DECIDED TO GET 125 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN FRESH LOANS FROM THE WORLD BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND REHABILITATION OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE DAMAGED BY THE JULY 16 KILLER EARTHQUAKE.

THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (NEDA) ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY THAT THE DECISION WAS REACHED AT A NEDA BOARD MEETING THURSDAY NIGHT. PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO CHAIRS THIS IMPORTANT AGENCY, WHICH OVERSEAS FOREIGN BORROWINGS FOR GOVERNMENT PROJECTS.

THE WORLD BANK LOANS ARE EXPECTED TO BE RELEASED AFTER THE COMPLETION OF ITS PROCESSING BY OCTOBER 15 THIS YEAR, THE NEDA ADDED.

THE JULY 16 KILLER EARTHQUAKE REPORTEDLY CLAIMED THE LIVES OF ABOUT 2,000 PERSONS AND DESTROYED PROPERTIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE WORTH ABOUT ONE BILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

THE PHILIPPINE CONGRESS EARLIER APPROVED A BUDGET OF 400 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM, BUT NO MONEY HAS BEEN RELEASED BECAUSE OF A FUND SHORTAGE.

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#90257h0092 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BAGHDAD (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - IRAQ WILL BEGIN BREAD RATIONING FROM SATURDAY THE RULING BAATH PARTY NEWSPAPER "AL-THAWRA" REPORTED TODAY.

THE MINISTRY OF TRADE HAS ISSUED AN ORDER ASKING ALL BAKERIES AND BREAD SHOPS TO OBSERVE THE RATIONING SYSTEM, UNDER WHICH EACH IRAQI IS ENTITLED TO SIX KILOGRAMS OF WHEAT FLOUR EACH MONTH, IN THE FORM OF FLOUR OR BREAD.

IRAQIS MUST PRESENT THEIR BREAD COUPONS TO DESIGNATED BREAD SHOPS TO RECEIVE THEIR ALLOCATIONS, THE PAPER SAID.

IRAQ HAS ALSO ORDERED A RATIONING SYSTEM FOR OTHER BASIC FOOD ITEMS SUCH AS RICE, SUGAR, TEA AND OIL.

RATIONING COUPONS ISSUED IN IRAQ WOULD ENABLE EACH PERSON TO HAVE A MONTHLY ALLOCATION OF 1.5 KILOGRAMS OF RICE, 1 KILOGRAM OF SUGAR, 100 GRAMS OF TEA AND ONE-HALF KILOGRAM OF OIL.

THE NEW SYSTEM FOLLOWED THE U.N.-IMPOSED ECONOMIC AND TRADE EMBARGO AGAINST IRAQ FOR ITS INVASION OF KUWAIT EARLY LAST MONTH. THE EMBARGO BARS THE IMPORT OF GOODS FOR IRAQ AS WELL AS ITS EXPORT OF OIL, ITS CHIEF SOURCE OF REVENUE.

THE IRAQI GOVERNMENT ISSUED A DECREE LAST WEEK, STIPULATING THAT ANYONE WITHHOLDING FOOD COMMODITIES FROM MARKETPLACE OR CHARGING HIGHER THAN NORMAL PRICES FOR SCARCE FOOD WILL FACE JAIL TERMS OF UP TO 15 YEARS.

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#90257h0093 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - OPPORTUNE RAINS IN INDIA HAS BRIGHTENED THE PROSPECTS OF A BUMPER CROP, AND A RECORD PRODUCTION OF FOODGRAINS IS EXPECTED THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL SOURCES.

THE PRODUCTION IS EXPECTED TO BE HIGHER THAN IN 1989-90, WHICH WITNESSED A RECORD PRODUCTION OF 172.50 MILLION TONNES, THE SOURCES SAID.

THE FOODGRAINS PRODUCTION TARGET FOR 1990-91 HAS BEEN FIXED AT 176.50 MILLION TONNES. THE YEAR IS ALSO LIKELY TO WITNESS A RECORD PRODUCTION OF SUGARCANE AND COTTON AND A GOOD CROP OF PULSES AND COARSE CEREALS LIKE MAIZE AND JOWAR (ALSO CALLED INDIAN MILLET), THE SOURCES SAID.

RICE PRODUCTION IN THE CURRENT KHARIF (SUMMER) SEASON IS EXPECTED TO BE 65 MILLION TONNES, TWO MILLION TONNES MORE THAN THE EARLIER RECORD, MAINLY BECAUSE OF VERY GOOD RAINFALL IN ALL RICE GROWING AREAS.

THE PROSPECTS FOR PULSES ARE ALSO VERY GOOD DUE TO ADEQUATE RAINS IN THE PULSES GROWING AREAS INCLUDING THOSE OF MADHYA PRADESH, MAHARASHTRA AND UTTAR PRADESH.

IT COULD BE A REPEAT PERFORMANCE OF 1989-90 IN COTTON WHEN THE COUNTRY HAD A RECORD PRODUCTION OF 11.5 MILLION BALES. THE AREA UNDER THE CROP WAS REPORTED TO BE 6.7 MILLION HECTARES AND THERE HAS BEEN NO REPORT SO FAR ABOUT ANY INCIDENCE OF PESTS AND DISEASES.

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#90257h0098 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NEW DELHI (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - ENGINEERING EXPORTS INCLUDING ELECTRONICS DURING THE FIRST THREE MONTHS OF 1990-91 (APRIL-JUNE) WERE UP BY 71.8 PERCENT, REACHING 9,510 MILLION RUPEES (559.4 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY.

QUOTING OFFICIAL SOURCES, THE REPORT SAID COMMODITY-WISE DATA FOR THE FIRST QUARTER ALSO SHOWED THAT EXPORTS OF CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS AND OF LEATHER AND LEATHER GOODS ROSE BY 34.6 PER CENT AND 50.2 PERCENT RESPECTIVELY, STANDING AT OVER 7,640 MILLION RUPEES (449.4 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), AND AT 5,693 MILLION RUPEES (334.9 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

OTHER SECTORS WHICH SHOWED AN UPWARD TREND DURING THE PERIOD WERE TEXTILES (49.1 PERCENT), PLANTATIONS (14.6 PERCENT), AGRICULTURAL AND ALLIED PRODUCTS (22 PERCENT), PROCESSED FOODS (13.7 PERCENT), MARINE PRODUCTS (27.2 PERCENT) AND HANDICRAFTS (26.3 PERCENT).

HOWEVER, THE REPORT NOTED, THERE HAS BEEN NO PERCEPTIBLE IMPROVEMENT IN THE BALANCE OF TRADE DESPITE THE OVERALL GROWTH IN EXPORTS BY 14.7 PERCENT IN DOLLAR TERMS, FROM 4,989 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS TO 5,722.70 MILLION DOLLARS DURING THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR.

THE TRADE DEFICIT IN DOLLAR TERMS AMOUNTED TO 1,354 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS AGAINST 1,334 MILLION DOLLARS IN THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THE LAST FINANCIAL YEAR, SHOWING A MARGINAL INCREASE OF 1.5 PERCENT.

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#90257h0102 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NEW DELHI (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - THE WORLD BANK IS CONSIDERING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR INDIA AND SOME OTHER COUNTRIES TO ENABLE THEM TO MEET THE CHALLENGE THAT HAS ARISEN TO THEIR ECONOMIES IN THE WAKE OF THE GULF CRISIS.

THE BANK SOURCES WERE QUOTED BY LOCAL PRESS REPORTS TODAY AS SAYING THAT ITS STAFF IS CURRENTLY ASSESSING THE IMPACT OF THE DEVELOPMENTS ON A COUNTRY-BY-COUNTRY BASIS AND ITS REPORT WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE BANK'S ANNUAL MEETING LATER THIS MONTH.

LOCAL PRESS REPORTS CLAIMED INDIA'S ANNUAL OIL IMPORT BILL WOULD GO UP BY 2.4 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS AS A RESULT OF THE CRISIS IN THE GULF.

BESIDES, THE SANCTIONS WOULD ADVERSELY AFFECT INDIA'S EXPORTS. PROJECTED EXPORTS FROM INDIA TO IRAQ WERE OF THE ORDER OF THREE BILLION DOLLARS IN THE PAST DECADE. THE CURRENT YEAR'S LOSS ON THIS COUNT IS EXPECTED TO BE AROUND 400 BILLION DOLLARS.

INDIA WILL ALSO SUFFER A LOSS OF REMITTANCES FROM ITS NATIONALS IN THE GULF TO

THE EXTENT OF 400 MILLION DOLLARS PER YEAR.

IN ADDITION, INDIA HAS TO BEAR THE EXPENSES OF BRINGING THEIR NATIONALS BACK HOME AND HELP IN THEIR REHABILITATION.

IT WAS REPORTED THAT THERE WERE 200,000 INDIAN NATIONALS IN KUWAIT BEFORE THE IRAQ AGGRESSION.

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#90257h0103 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

COLOMBO (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - SRI LANKAN PRESIDENT RANASINGHE PREMADASA TODAY APPEALED TO HEADS OF FOREIGN MISSIONS HERE TO PROVIDE MATERIAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN WHATEVER WAY THEY COULD TO THE CHALLENGE SRI LANKA IS FACING AS A RESULT OF THE GULF CRISIS.

ADDRESSING THE HEADS OF DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS IN COLOMBO, PREMADASA, WHO IS NOW PERSONALLY LOOKING INTO THE IMMEDIATE REPATRIATION OF SRI LANKANS STRANDED IN THE MIDDLE EAST AFTER THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT, SOUGHT THE ASSISTANCE OF ALL COUNTRIES TO HELP BRING BACK THOSE SRI LANKANS.

HE POINTED OUT THAT MORE EFFORTS AND RESOURCES WOULD BE NEEDED AT THIS STAGE OF REHABILITATION.

THE PRESIDENT SAID THAT SRI LANKA'S PROBLEMS CAUSED BY THE GULF SITUATION IN FINANCIAL AND MATERIAL TERMS WERE CRITICAL.

HE NOTED THAT THERE WERE 100,000 SRI LANKANS IN KUWAIT WHEN IT WAS OCCUPIED BY IRAQ ON AUGUST 2, MOST OF THEM WERE HOUSEMAIDS.

SO FAR NEARLY 4,500 LANKANS WHO HAD BEEN WORKING IN KUWAIT HAVE BEEN BROUGHT BACK. THOUSANDS OF SRI LANKANS STRANDED IN THE MIDDLE EAST HAVE YET TO BE FLOWN BACK.

INFORMED SOURCES SAID THAT PRESIDENT PREMADASA THURSDAY TOOK UPON HIMSELF PERSONALLY THE TASK OF HELPING THE STRANDED SRI LANKANS IN KUWAIT.

HE HAS APPOINTED A TOP LEVEL COMMITTEE OF REPATRIATION COMPRISING SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. THE TASK OF THE COMMITTEE WOULD BE TO WORK OUT THE SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS OF THE STRANDED SRI LANKANS AND REPORT BACK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO THE CABINET COMMITTEE HEADED BY PRIME MINISTER D.B. WIJETUNGE.

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#90257h0104 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

FREETOWN (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - FIGHTING DIED DOWN IN MONROVIA THURSDAY AFTER TWO DAYS OF BATTLE BETWEEN SOLDIERS LOYAL TO LATE PRESIDENT SAMUEL DOE AND TWO FACTIONS OF THE NATIONAL PATRIOTIC FRONT OF LIBERIA (NPFL), REPORTS FROM MON-

ROVIA SAID TODAY.

THE TWO FACTIONS, ONE LED BY PRINCE JOHNSON AND THE OTHER BY CHARLES TAYLOR ADVANCED TOWARDS THE PRESIDENTIAL MANSION AFTER PRESIDENT DOE'S DEATH ON SUNDAY. THE TWO FORCES WERE CONFRONTED EACH OTHER IN THE AREAS AROUND THE PRESIDENTIAL MANSION FOR A WHILE.

A SPOKESMAN OF PRINCE JOHNSON SAID THAT HIS TROOPS HAS FORCED TAYLOR'S FORCE TO RETREAT AND TAYLOR'S MEN HAVE WITH- DRAWN FROM THE AREA.

WITH THE APPROVAL OF PRINCE JOHNSON, THE PEACE-KEEPING FORCE OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES (ECOWAS) GOT A PASSAGE TO THE PRESIDENTIAL MANSION TO HELP EVACUATE SOME 1,000 FOLLOWERS, RELATIVES AND ASSOCIATES OF LATE PRESIDENT DOE FROM THE MANSION TO THE PORT AREA CONTROLLED BY THE ECOWAS FORCE TO AVOID TRIBAL KILLING.

MEANWHILE, PRINCE JOHNSON'S FORCE HAS REPORTEDLY ROUNDED UP SOME 30 TROOPS OF THE PEACE-KEEPING FORCE AS HOSTAGES TO FORCE THEM TO PLAY A MORE ACTIVE ROLE IN RESTORING PEACE IN LIBERIA AND TO MAKE THE INTERIM GOVERNMENT SET UP IN BANJUL, GAMBIA ON SEPTEMBER 2, MOVE INTO LIBERIA SOON.

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#90257h0105 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - INDONESIA'S NON-OIL EXPORTS IN THE FIRST FIVE MONTHS OF THIS YEAR INCREASED BY 10 PERCENT FROM THOSE IN THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR, SAID INDONESIAN NATIONAL PLANNING MINISTER SALEH AFIFF.

ACCORDING TO A REPORT BY THE JAKARTA POST TODAY, SPEAKING IN A HEARING AT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES' BUDGETARY COMMISSION IN JAKARTA THURSDAY, AFIFF SAID THAT THE PROSPECTS OF INDONESIA'S NON-OIL EXPORTS THIS YEAR WILL NOT BE AS BRIGHT AS THOSE LAST YEAR, DUE MAINLY TO THE FALLING PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL AND MINING COMMODITIES ON THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET.

BY COMPARISON, HE SAID, THE TOTAL NON-OIL EXPORTS IN THE FIRST FIVE MONTHS OF LAST YEAR ROSE BY 22.5 PERCENT FROM THOSE IN THE SAME PERIOD IN 1988.

HE SAID, HOWEVER, THE GROWTH OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT EXPORTS BETWEEN JANUARY AND MAY THIS YEAR REMAINED HIGH, REACHING 44 PERCENT AS COMPARED WITH THE FIGURE OF THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

DESPITE THE DIMMER PROSPECTS FOR THE NON-OIL EXPORTS, THE COUNTRY WILL STILL BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN HIGH ECONOMIC GROWTH, HE SAID.

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#90257h0125 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ATHENS (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - THE ATHENS APPEALS COURT COUNCIL HAS DECIDED TO

FREE ALLEGED ITALIAN TERRORIST MAURIZIO FOLINI, ACCORDING TO LOCAL REPORTS HERE TODAY.

THE ATHENS APPEALS COURT COUNCIL HAS REJECTED AN ITALIAN REQUEST FOR THE EXTRADITION OF FOLINI AS UNACCEPTABLE.

THE 37-YEAR-OLD ITALIAN WAS ARRESTED AUGUST 2 FOLLOWING A TIPOFF FROM INTERPOL AND REMANDED IN CUSTODY AUGUST 3 FOR 30 DAYS DURING WHICH ITALY HAD TO SEND THE RELEVANT EXTRADITION PAPERS.

THE COURT COUNCIL SAID THAT CHARGE AGAINST FOLINI WAS NOT SUPPORTED BY THE DOCUMENTS AND WARRANTS SENT BY THE ITALIAN AUTHORITIES.

FOLINI WAS ALSO ARRESTED ON JUNE 22, 1987 IN ATHENS ON CHARGE S OF ENTERING GREECE ON A FALSE PASSPORT. IN SEPTEMBER OF THE SAME YEAR, THE GREEK SUPREME COURT RULED IN FAVOR OF HIS EXTRADITION TO ITALY BUT THE RULING WAS NEVER CARRIED OUT AND HE WAS RELEASED IN FEBRUARY 1988 BY THE THEN SOCIALIST PASOK GOVERNMENT AND GIVEN ASYLUM IN GREECE.

FOLINI TOLD THE APPEALS COURT COUNCIL THAT HE INTENDED TO REMAIN PERMANENTLY IN GREECE.

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#90257h0127 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ATHENS (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - A BRAZILIAN WAS ARRESTED TODAY AT ATHENS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FOR POSSESSING 20 KILOS OF COCAINE WORTH ABOUT 1.6 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

KHALIL ZAFAN, A 59-YEAR-OLD BRAZILIAN OF LEBANESES ORIGIN, WAS ARRESTED IN THE AIRPORT TRANSIT LOUNGE AFTER ARRIVING FROM SAO PAOLO, BRAZIL EN ROUTE TO LEBANON.

DRUG SQUAD OFFICERS FOUND 10 PACKAGES IN ZAFAN'S SUITCASE, EACH CONTAINING 2 KILOS OF COCAINE.

THE COCAINE WAS PACKED IN SUCH A WAY THAT POLICE SNIFFER DOGS WERE UNABLE TO DETECT IT AND IT DID NOT SHOW UP ON THE SPECIAL SCANNER. THE PACKAGES WERE WRAPPED IN SHEETS OF CARBON PAPER AND INSULATING TAPE AND PLACED IN SPECIAL QUILTS.

UPON ARRIVING IN LEBANON, ZAFAN WOULD HAVE SPLIT THE COCAINE INTO SMALLER PACKAGES AND ARRANGED ITS SALE IN VARIOUS EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, INCLUDING GREECE POLICE SAID.

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#90257h0132 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DAMASCUS (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - PRESIDENT HAFEZ AL-ASSAD TODAY HELD TALKS WITH U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER, WHO ARRIVED HERE LAST NIGHT ON THE FIRST TRIP BY A U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE TO DAMASCUS IN TWO YEARS.

THE TALKS DEALT WITH THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST REGION, ESPECIALLY THE GULF CRISIS CAUSED BY THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT, AS WELL AS ISSUES OF MUTUAL INTEREST AND BILATERAL RELATIONS.

WESTERN DIPLOMATIC SOURCES IN DAMASCUS SAID THE TALKS ALSO FOCUSED ON THE PROSPECTS OF TAKING MORE ACTIONS TO TIGHTEN THE U.N.-IMPOSED ECONOMIC BLOCKADE ON IRAQ.

THEY SAID DURING THE TALKS BAKER STRESSED THE NEED TO OBTAIN SYRIAN SUPPORT FOR A U.S. PROPOSAL CALLING FOR SETTING UP AN ARAB-U.S. FORCE TO STAND UP TO IRAQI THREATS AGAINST THE GULF STATES.

BAKER ALSO DISCUSSED WITH SYRIAN OFFICIALS THE PROSPECTS OF ESTABLISHING AN ARAB-U.S. ALLIANCE, WHICH INVOLVES SAUDI ARABIA, EGYPT AND SYRIA, AND HOW SYRIA COULD CONTRIBUTE TO SUCH AN ALLIANCE.

THE TWO SIDES ALSO DISCUSSED THE ISSUE OF SENDING MORE SYRIAN TROOPS TO THE GULF AND TAKING FURTHER JOINT ACTIONS IN THE REGION FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS CALLING FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE IRAQI TROOPS FROM KUWAIT.

ON WEDNESDAY, AL-ASSAD SAID SYRIA OBJECTS TO THE U.S. AND WESTERN MILITARY PRESENCE IN THE GULF. BUT HE SAID THAT SUCH A PRESENCE HAS BEEN THE OUTCOME OF THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT AND AN IRAQI WITHDRAWAL FROM KUWAIT WOULD MAKE SUCH A PRESENCE UNJUSTIFIED.

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#90257h0133 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WINDHOEK (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - CUBA HAS COMPLIED WITH THE TIME -- TABLE FOR ITS TROOP WITHDRAWAL FROM ANGOLA, SAID A PRESS RELEASE ISSUED HERE THURSDAY AT THE END OF THE ONE-DAY MEETING OF THE JOINT COMMISSION OF ANGOLA, CUBA, NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA.

THE CUBAN DELEGATION INFORMED THE COMMISSION OF THE PROGRESS OF ITS TROOP WITHDRAWAL FROM ANGOLA AS STIPULATED IN THE NEW YORK AGREEMENT SIGNED BY CUBA AND ANGOLA ON DECEMBER 22, 1988.

CONFERENCE SOURCES SAID THAT CUBA HAD WITHDRAWN 37,000 TROOPS BY THE END OF AUGUST THIS YEAR AND WOULD PULL ITS REMAINING 15,000 FORCES OUT OF ANGOLA BY THE MIDDLE OF 1991.

PARTICIPANTS OF THE MEETING COMMENDED CUBA FOR COMPLYING WITH THE TIME-TABLE FOR ITS TROOP WITHDRAWAL.

ANALYSTS REGARDED CUBAN'S DECISION OF CONTINUING THE WITHDRAWAL OF ITS TROOPS AS A SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENT OF THE MEETING, BECAUSE SO MANY RUMOURS HAD BEEN CIRCULATED BEFORE ON THE POSSIBLE DELAY OF THE PULLOUT.

THE RUMOURS CAME AS A RESULT OF THE FAILURE ON THE RECENT PEACE TALKS IN LISBON BETWEEN THE ANGOLAN GOVERNMENT AND THE ANTI-GOVERNMENT NATIONAL UNION FOR THE TATOL INDEPENDENCE OF ANGOLA (UNITA).

DURING THE PEACE TALKS THE UNITA INSISTED THAT THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD RECOGNIZE IT AS A LEGAL OPPOSITION PARTY BEFORE A CEASE- FIRE COULD BE REALIZED. BUT THE GOVERNMENT REFUSED THE UNITA DEMANDS, SAYING THAT ANGOLA IS A ONE-PARTY NATION STIPULATED BY THE CONSTITUTION.

ANGOLA ALSO ACCUSED EXTERNAL FORCES OF HELPING THE UNITA ATTACK GOVERNMENT FORCES AND ACCUSED SOUTH AFRICA OF SENDING MUNITIONS TO THE UNITA WITH THREE SHIPS GOING THROUGH ANGOLA'S TERRITORIAL WATERS. UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES, ANGOLA SAID, IT MIGHT BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR CUBA TO WITHDRAW ITS TROOPS AS SCHEDULED.

DURING THE TALKS BETWEEN ANGOLA AND SOUTH AFRICA, SOUTH AFRICAN DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS MR. VAN HEERDEN SAID THAT HIS COUNTRY HAD SENT THREE SHIPS TO ZAIRE BY TRANSITING ANGOLAN COAST. BUT IT WAS NOT AN ACTION TO SEND MUNITIONS FOR UNITA.

VAN HEERDEN ALSO SAID THAT SOUTH AFRICA HAD MANY MENAS TO SUPPORT UNITA IF IT WANTED TO. BUT NOW SOUTH AFRICA SINCERELY WISHED THAT ANGOLA WOULD HAVE AN INTERNAL PEACE AND IT WAS COMMITTED TO ITS PROMISE IN THE AGREEMENT.

AT THURSDAY'S MEETING PARTICIPANTS TRIED TO FIND A COMPROMISE TO RESOLVE OBSTACLES TO PEACE IN ANGOLA. THEY SUGGESTED THAT THE ANGOLAN GOVERNMENT RECOGNISE UNITA AS A LEGAL MOVEMENT NOT A PARTY. BUT LUANDA HAS NOT MADE ANY RESPONSE TO THE PROPOSAL YET.

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#90257h0134 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MAPUTO (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - MOZAMBICAN PRESIDENT JOAQUIM CHISSANO RETURNED HERE TODAY AFTER A TWO-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO SWITZERLAND WHICH WAS AIMED AT STRENGTHENING COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

DURING HIS STAY IN SWITZERLAND, PRESIDENT CHISSANO HELD A PRIVATE MEETING WITH HIS SWISS COUNTERPART ARNOLD KOLLER.

MR. KOLLER TOLD PRESIDENT CHISSANO THAT HIS COUNTRY IS SATISFIED WITH THE DIRECT TALKS BETWEEN THE MOZAMBICAN GOVERNMENT AND THE MOZAMBICAN NATIONAL RESISTANCE (MNR) IN AN ATTEMPT TO BRING ABOUT PEACE.

"THESE FIRST STEPS TESTIFY YOUR ENGAGEMENTS IN PEACE IN MOZAMBIQUE AND THE MERIT IS YOURS FOR HAVING TAKEN THE INITIATIVES GOOD FOR THE FUTURE, ADDED MR. KOLLER.

AFTER THE MEETING, PRESIDENT CHISSANO TOLD REPORTERS THAT THE THIRD ROUND OF TALKS BETWEEN HIS GOVERNMENT AND THE MNR WILL TAKE PLACE AS SOON AS THE MNR IS READY FOR IT.

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#90257h0138 09/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 14) XINHUA - AN AUTOBUS CARRYING SRI LANKAN REFUGEES FROM JORDAN'S BORDER TOWN OF RUWEISHID WITH IRAQ COLLIDED TODAY WITH A TANKER ALONG AL-AZRAK ROAD, CAUSING THE DEATH OF 10 PERSONS AND THE INJURY OF 12 OTHERS.

THE JORDANIAN NEWS AGENCY REPORTED THAT THE DRIVER OF THE TANKER, A THAI NATIONAL, WAS ALSO KILLED.

JORDAN SENT AIR FORCE PLANES TO CARRY THE INJURED TO THE HUSSEIN MEDICAL COMPLEX IN AMMAN, SOME 100 KILOMETERS FROM THE SCENE OF THE INCIDENT, FOR TREATMENT.

THE INCIDENT IS THE FIRST OF ITS KIND SINCE THE OPENING OF JORDANIAN BORDERS WITH IRAQ FOR ARAB AND FOREIGN EVACUEES COMING FROM IRAQ AND KUWAIT IN THE WAKE OF THE GULF CRISIS WHICH ERUPTED EARLY LAST MONTH.

HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF FOREIGNERS, MAINLY ASIANS AND EGYPTIANS, WHO LEFT IRAQ AND OCCUPIED KUWAIT EARLIER, ARE NOW STRANDED IN JORDAN, WAITING FOR TRANSPORT TO TAKE THEM HOME.

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48 Hours (CBS) September 13, 1990 (Transcript #126)

Murder, U.S.A.: Americans are killing each other more than ever before -- an average of one murder every 24 minutes. As murders mount and fears rise, people are asking what is triggering this rampage and what can be done to

reduce this peculiarly American tragedy.

Nightline (ABC) September 13, 1990 (Transcript #2429)

Syria's Persian Gulf Role / David Souter: The U.S. will work with President Hafez al-Assad and Syria despite a history of pro- terrorist, anti-American activity. The Senate Judiciary Committee questions Supreme Court nominee David Souter, who says he supports the constitutional right to privacy and is aware judicial opinions affect human beings, but won't discuss abortion because he might have to rule on it.

Crossfire (CNN) September 13, 1990 (Transcript #139)

David Souter: The Judge on Trial: Eleanor Smeal of the Fund for the Feminist Majority, former Justice Department official Terry Eastland and American University Law professor Herman Schwartz discuss the confirmation hearings of Judge David Souter to the Supreme Court.

Newsline New York (WNYW-TV) September 13, 1990 (Transcript #169)

The Case Against Prozac: A year ago, Joseph Wesbecker went on a shooting rampage in Louisville, Kentucky, that left eight people dead. His sons are now suing the makers of Prozac, the drug their father was taking for depression.

Primetime Live (ABC) September 13, 1990 (Transcript #158)

''Nature in a Bottle'' (eight people prepare to spend two years in Biosphere II, a privately-funded experiment in closed ecological systems); ''The Rotten Apple'' (is crime in New York City really as bad as we think it is?); ''The Hackman Connection'' (a profile of actor Gene Hackman); also: the U.S. issues ''know-your-enemy'' pamphlets to soldiers in Saudi Arabia; Navy Commander Barbara Vernosky leaves her husband and children for the Persian Gulf.

Moneyline (CNN) September 13, 1990 (Transcript #183)

The Dow Jones Industrials were battered by program selling and thin trading; brokerages are taking another look at the annual maintenance fees they charge on IRA's and they're finding new ways to clean up; higher crude oil prices are convincing many that natural gas is the best alternative to imported oil; Moscow may be lowering barriers to Soviet immigration; high oil prices are a windfall to oil companies; higher oil prices are forcing airlines to boost their fares for business travelers.

Good Morning America (ABC) September 13, 1990 (Transcript #1109)

Souter confirmation hearings; Iraq-Iran alliance; the safety business; dropping out; Dennis Quaid interview; POWs in Vietnam; Florida lottery; learning to vote; new directions in denim; Steve's winning ticket.

Oprah Winfrey Show September 13, 1990 (Transcript #1044)

Campus Rapes: Two college women who were raped by someone they knew share their stories. Dr. Claire Walsh (Rape Treatment Center, University of Florida) joins the panel to explain that campus rape is on the increase.

Larry King Live (CNN) September 13, 1990 (Transcript #129)

Cybill Shepherd: The actress discusses her life and career.

Sally Jessy Raphael September 13, 1990 (Transcript #529)

Natalie Cole: Big Break: Natalie Cole talks about growing up as the daughter of the legendary Nat King Cole. She talks about her career and how her addictions to heroin and cocaine nearly destroyed her. She also discusses her new TV show, Big Break, which is a showcase for undiscovered talent.

Geraldo September 13, 1990 (Transcript #781)

Zsa Zsa... The Last Word: Zsa Zsa Gabor discusses her three days in jail and her 120 hours of community service after being convicted for hitting a police officer. She tells about the way she was treated in jail, the food, the cell and the people. She also discusses her enlightening experience working in an agency for the homeless and working in a school for retarded children.

Friday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Crime and Punishment: Was the Jogger Defendants' Sentence Fair? Sally Jessy Raphael: I Can't Stop Saying I Do Geraldo: Children of Notoriety: The Price of Privilege Oprah Winfrey: Flatliners: Near-Death Experiences

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#90257k0075 09/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 14) KYODO - PRIME MINISTER MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID FRIDAY MALAYSIA WILL SELL MORE CRUDE OIL TO SOUTH KOREA, BUT WAS UNABLE TO SAY HOW MUCH.

"WE WILL GIVE THEM AS MUCH AS WE CAN," HE TOLD REPORTERS ON HIS RETURN FROM A FOUR-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO SOUTH KOREA.

HOWEVER, ECONOMISTS SAY THAT IT CANNOT BE MUCH. MALAYSIA HAS A MAXIMUM PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 650,000 BARRELS PER DAY. IT UPPED ITS PRODUCTION FROM 595,000 TO 605,000 LAST MONTH AND COMMITTED THE INCREASE TO NONOIL PRODUCING NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES LIKE THE PHILIPPINES AND THAILAND.

THIS LEAVES ABOUT 45,000 BARRELS PER DAY LEEWAY. MALAYSIA HAD EARLIER ALSO AGREED TO SELL OIL TO BANGLADESH, PAKISTAN AND INDIA.

SOUTH KOREA CURRENTLY IMPORTS AN AVERAGE OF 43,000 BARRELS PER DAY FROM MALAYSIA AND WANTS AN ADDITIONAL 30,000 BARRELS PER DAY. SOUTH KOREAN PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO CONVEYED THE REQUEST TO MAHATHIR DURING A MEETING WEDNESDAY.

PETRONAS, THE STATE-OWNED PETROLEUM PRODUCER, IS ALSO HOLDING DISCUSSIONS WITH KOREAN GAS CORP. TO SELL LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS (LNG).

SOUTH KOREA HAS AGREED TO DOUBLE ITS PURCHASE OF LNG FROM INDONESIA.

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#90257k0092 09/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 14) KYODO - ASAHI BREWERIES LTD. SAID FRIDAY IT WILL PAY 110 BILLION YEN FOR A 19.99 PERCENT EQUITY STAKE IN AUSTRALIA'S LARGEST BEER BREWER, ELDERS IXL LTD.

THE BASIC AGREEMENT WITH HARLIN HOLDING PTY LTD. OF AUSTRALIA, THE BIGGEST SHAREHOLDER IN ELDERS, MARKS THE LARGEST EQUITY BUY-IN EVER UNDERTAKEN BY A JAPANESE FOOD COMPANY, ASAHI OFFICIALS SAID.

THE FORMAL SIGNING BETWEEN ASAHI AND HARLIN WILL TAKE PLACE IN LATE OCTOBER, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE PARTNERSHIP IS EXPECTED TO PAVE THE WAY FOR ASAHI TO DEVELOP INTO AN INTERNATIONAL FOOD CONCERN.

THE ELDERS GROUP, CONSISTING OF THREE AFFILIATED BREWERIES ACROSS THE WORLD, CURRENTLY HAS A 3.5 PERCENT SHARE OF THE WORLDWIDE BEER MARKET, WHILE CARLTON AND UNITED BREWERIES, ELDERS' WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY, HAS A 48 PERCENT SHARE IN THE AUSTRALIAN BEER MARKET.

UNDER THE PACT, ASAHI WILL BECOME THE SECOND BIGGEST SHAREHOLDER OF ELDERS AFTER HARLIN, WHICH HAS A 56 PERCENT STAKE.

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OSAKA (SEPT. 14) KYODO - SHARP CORP. SAID FRIDAY THAT IT IS BUILDING A NEW COLOR TV PLANT NEAR BARCELONA, SPAIN.

THE PLANT WILL HAVE A CAPACITY OF ONE MILLION SETS PER YEAR BY FISCAL 1993, COMPARED WITH 300,000 SETS AT ITS PRESENT SPANISH PLANT OPERATED BY ITS SUBSIDIARY SHARP ELECTRONICA ESPANA S.A., COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THERE IS NO SPACE TO EXPAND THE CURRENT PLANT, IN SAN CUGAT DE VALLES NEAR BARCELONA. THE NEW PLANT IS BEING BUILT ABOUT ONE KILOMETER AWAY.

CONSTRUCTION ON THE NEW PLANT GOT UNDER WAY EARLY IN SEPTEMBER AND IT IS SCHEDULED TO OPEN IN JANUARY 1992.

THE NEW PLANT IS ESTIMATED TO COST 5 BILLION YEN. A DISTRIBUTION WAREHOUSE AND AN OFFICE BUILDING WILL BE BUILT ON THE SITE OF THE PRESENT PLANT.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 14) KYODO - THE JAPANESE AUTO INDUSTRY INTENDS TO ASK CHINA TO RELAX REGULATIONS ON AUTO AND MOTORCYCLE IMPORTS IMPOSED THIS PAST MAY, SOURCES AT THE JAPAN AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION SAID FRIDAY.

THE REQUEST WILL BE CONVEYED BY A POWERFUL BUSINESS MISSION ORGANIZED BY THE JAPAN-CHINA ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMY AND TRADE, WHICH WILL LEAVE FOR BEIJING SUNDAY IN A BID TO BREAK AN IMPASSE IN ECONOMIC TIES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WHICH HAS EXISTED SINCE THE TIANANMEN SQUARE INCIDENT IN JUNE LAST YEAR, THE SOURCES SAID.

IN MAY, CHINA SLAPPED TIGHTER QUALITY INSPECTIONS ON IMPORTS OF NINE PRODUCTS, INCLUDING AUTOS AND MOTORCYCLES, WHICH WOULD EFFECTIVELY SHUT JAPANESE AUTOS OUT OF THE CHINESE MARKET.

THE SOURCES SAID JAPANESE AUTOMAKERS WANT BEIJING TO IMPLEMENT SUCH INSPECTIONS ''FLEXIBLY,'' TO ALLOW IMPORTS OF JAPANESE AUTOS.

''IT'S DIFFICULT TO MAKE CARS MEETING ALL THE CHINESE STANDARDS. IT'S NOT A REALISTIC SYSTEM,'' ONE SOURCE SAID.

THE 60-MEMBER BUSINESS MISSION, WHICH WILL INCLUDE EISHIRO SAITO, CHAIRMAN OF THE FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS (KEIDANREN), WILL MEET COMMUNIST PARTY SECRETARY GENERAL JIANG ZEMIN, PREMIER LI PENG AND OTHER CHINESE LEADERS.

TRADE BETWEEN JAPAN AND CHINA HAS BEEN ON THE WANE IN THE WAKE OF ECONOMIC SANCTIONS IMPOSED AGAINST BEIJING FOR ITS MILITARY CRACKDOWN ON PRO-DEMOCRACY MOVEMENTS IN JUNE LAST YEAR.

TWO-WAY TRADE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR WAS DOWN 21 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO SOME 7.8 BILLION DOLLARS, ACCORDING TO TRADE STATISTICS COMPLIED BY THE FINANCE MINISTRY.

IN PARTICULAR, EXPORTS TO CHINA DWINDLED 41 PERCENT TO ABOUT 2.7 BILLION DOLLARS IN THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD, THE STATISTICS SHOW.

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NAGOYA (SEPT. 14) KYODO - TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. SAID FRIDAY IT WILL PICK UP A SITE FOR A SECOND AUTO ASSEMBLY PLANT IN THE UNITED STATES AFTER THE U.S. OFF-YEAR ELECTIONS IN NOVEMBER.

A TOP TOYOTA EXECUTIVE INDICATED THAT THERE ARE A FEW SITES UNDER CONSIDERATION, INCLUDING LAND ADJACENT TO THE PRESENT FACTORY IN GEORGETOWN, KENTUCKY.

THE EXECUTIVE, WHO WISHED TO BE UNNAMED, SAID THE COMPANY IS CLOSELY WATCHING THE U.S. POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SITUATION AND TRENDS IN U.S. CAR DEMAND.

TOYOTA HAS SET A U.S. SALES TARGET FOR 1994 OF 1.5 MILLION CARS, HALF OF WHICH WILL BE ASSEMBLED IN THE U.S.

TOYOTA'S CURRENT U.S. PRODUCTION CAPACITY IS 400,000 CARS PER YEAR. TO MEET THE 1994 GOAL, ANOTHER PLANT WILL HAVE TO BE BUILT, THE TOP JAPANESE AUTOMAKER SAYS.

TOYOTA HOPES TO BRING THE NEW FACTORY INTO OPERATION IN 1993, WITH AN INITIAL CAPACITY OF 200,000 CARS PER YEAR.

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CANBERRA (SEPT. 14) KYODO - AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER BOB HAWKE SAID FRIDAY HE WOULD WELCOME A POSSIBLE JAPANESE MILITARY ROLE IN THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS.

HAWKE, SPEAKING TO JAPANESE REPORTERS HERE IN ADVANCE OF HIS VISIT TO JAPAN SEPTEMBER 16-20, SAID HE HAS TOLD PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU THAT THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD WELCOME A JAPANESE DECISION TO SEND MINESWEEPERS OR GET INVOLVED MILITARILY IN OTHER WAYS.

HAWKE ALSO SAID HE TOLD KAIFU OF HIS APPRECIATION OF JAPAN'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE MULTINATIONAL FORCES DEPLOYED IN THE GULF REGION TO CONFRONT IRAQ FOLLOWING ITS INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

NOTING THAT HE IS WELL AWARE OF JAPAN'S CONCERNS THAT ANY MILITARY ACTIVITY ON ITS PART WOULD CAUSE SUSPICION AMONG ASIAN NATIONS, HAWKE SAID HE TOLD KAIFU THAT HE NEED NOT WORRY ABOUT AUSTRALIA IF JAPAN DECIDES ON SOME MILITARY COMMITMENT IN THE GULF CRISIS.

JAPAN HAS THUS FAR REFRAINED FROM TAKING ANY MILITARY ACTION IN THE GULF CRISIS, CITING ITS CONSTITUTIONAL BAN ON THE USE OF FORCE TO SOLVE INTERNATIONAL DISPUTES.

AUSTRALIA WAS AMONG THE FIRST NATIONS TO SEND WARSHIPS TO THE GULF REGION AT THE OUTBREAK OF THE IRAQI AGGRESSION.

TURNING TO AGRICULTURAL ISSUES, HAWKE URGED JAPAN TO SETTLE PENDING ISSUES IN THE CURRENT URUGUAY ROUND MULTINATIONAL TRADE TALKS.

ALL NEGOTIATING NATIONS MUST SUBMIT BY OCTOBER 15 A LIST OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS THEY WILL LIBERALIZE. JAPAN HAS BEEN HARSHLY CRITICIZED FOR ITS INSISTENCE ON CONTINUING TO BAN RICE IMPORTS.

ON THE SELECTION OF THE SITE FOR THE 1996 SUMMER OLYMPICS, REPORTEDLY THE TOP PRIORITY FOR HIS VISIT, HAWKE WAS ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT HOSTING THE GAMES IN MELBOURNE. HE WILL ATTEND THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SCHEDULED IN TOKYO SEPTEMBER 17-21 TO URGE MEMBERS TO SELECT THE AUSTRALIAN CITY.

HAWKE LAST VISITED JAPAN IN DECEMBER 1987.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 14) KYODO - JAPAN WOULD BE PREPARED TO MEDIATE BETWEEN IRAQ AND THE UNITED STATES IF IRAQ PULLED OUT OF KUWAIT AND RELEASED ALL FOREIGN HOSTAGES, FOREIGN MINISTER TARO NAKAYAMA SAID FRIDAY.

NAKAYAMA MADE THE REMARKS IN A NATIONALLY-BROADCAST TELEVISION INTERVIEW.

''IF IRAQ REQUESTS JAPAN TO ACT AS A MEDIATOR WITH THE U.S., WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO DO SO AS LONG AS IT WITHDRAWS IT FORCES FROM KUWAIT AND RELEASES ALL FOREIGNERS,'' NAKAYAMA SAID.

NAKAYAMA CALLED ON THE JAPANESE PUBLIC TO UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST FOR JAPAN TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE MULTINATIONAL MILITARY EFFORTS IN THE PERSIAN GULF AIMED AT COUNTERING IRAQI AGGRESSION.

HE DENIED THAT JAPAN'S PLEDGE OF 2 BILLION DOLLARS FOR THE MULTINATIONAL FORCES INFRINGES ON THE CONSTITUTIONAL RENUNCIATION OF THE USE OF FORCE TO RESOLVE INTERNATIONAL CONFLICTS.

NAKAYAMA STRESSED REPEATEDLY THAT JAPAN WAS NOT ''PRESSURED'' BY WASHINGTON INTO EXTENDING FUNDS TO THE MILITARY EFFORTS.

AS AN ALLY OF THE U.S., HE SAID, JAPAN CANNOT JUST STAND IDLY BY WHILE AN TENS OF THOUSANDS OF U.S. YOUTHS LIE READY IN THE SUFFERING HEAT OF SAUDI ARABIA TO

DEFEND INTERESTS SHARED BY THE JAPANESE PEOPLE.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 14) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The LABOR DEPARTMENT reports this morning that the PRODUCER PRICE INDEX rose 1.3% in August. Excluding food and energy, wholesale prices were up 0.3%. The consensus expectation had been for a 1.4% increase, according to the Dow Jones Capital Markets Report. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT says retail sales fell 0.6% in August. Excluding automobiles, sales were up 0.4%.

The Nikkei drops 178 points to close at 24,897. ... In London, the FTSE is down 18 points in the early afternoon. ... After yesterday's drop, the dollar is at 136.66 yen in London trading. ... Long bond prices continue to slip, yield is at 8.97%. ... Auto sales increased 6.7% in early September over the same period last year, but light truck sales fell 4.4% -- translating to an overall rise for both of 2.5%. ... SCANDINAVIAN AIRLINES SYSTEMS completes a $50 million deal that makes it the largest shareholder of CONTINENTAL AIRLINES HOLDINGS.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The FEDERAL RESERVE issues industrial production and capacity utilization figures later this morning. ... WALT DISNEY CO. and Japanese-backed INTERSCOPE COMMUNICATIONS are forming a joint venture worth up to $200 million to produce and distribute films.

FROM THE BULLS:

"My feeling is the stock market has seen the worst," MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER & CO. "I think the Dow is only a few percentage points from a bottom. I don't see a big crack in the market, but instead a tedious base-building process. I think the market is telling us the urgent sellers are gone." He continues, "So, I expect very little liquidation pressure. Most investors have raised cash. If the market does stabilize, I expect to see an upward bias. Also, if there is a credible budget agreement, the Federal Reserve will inject funds into the system, and that will help stocks." ("Investor's Daily", 9/14)

This is the time to begin looking to buy, says long-time bear JAMES DINES of the "Dines Letter." He says his research shows an ever- deepening oversold condition that often precedes important rallies. Dines is betting on a

peaceful resolution of the Gulf crisis and the return of an oil glut. "[That] could send the DJI skyward in a startling rally, also triggering a short covering panic." (CNBC "World Business", 9/14)

"All of the timid investors have now sold out," says CARLTON LUTZ in the "Cabot Market Letter" where he describes the drop in stock prices as "a sharp correction ... but only a correction." Lutz says a higher market usually follows a crisis. "We are in a major bottom area that is thoroughly sold out. ... The next major advance could begin at any time." (CNBC "World Business", 9/14)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I think we have to worry a lot more than we've ever had to in our investment lifetime," says CLAUDE ROSENBERG, head of RCM CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. "We think you'll be able to buy at lower prices this year, maybe around 2300 in the Dow " says MICHAEL KEILHOLZ of ADIG INVESTMENT, the German mutual fund. ("USA Today", 9/14)

"I think the market's negative tone [comes from] what we're hearing about interest rates, the banking system, the economy in general [and] oil prices, but the extended downturn -- 40-plus points -- is the exacerbated impact of program trading," says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA, associate director of research at GRUNTAL & CO. He remains bearish, thinking the market is fully priced at 2600 on the Dow and "due for a correction. What we were hoping for was a very shallow recession that would be offset by lower inflation and lower interest rates. Unfortunately, a prolonged problem in the Middle East will exacerbate the downturn." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/13)

STOCK MARKET:

"I think there are some opportunities coming forth here now, but it's a little bit early for the conservative to get into this market since we haven't established an absolute, decisive bottom," says EUGENE PERONI JR., director of technical research at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT. "It's more for the risk-oriented client right now." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/13)

"From a longer-term point of view I think the market is bottoming out barring any actual military confrontation or military fighting in Iraq," says JAMES KALIL of COMPUVAL. He says that now is the time to step up and take a position in this market on some issues. "This will not last forever. The crisis will be over sometime, and looking ahead to next year I think that a lot of the stories that seemed to hit us with the force of a hammer will be a long forgotten memory." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/13)

"There have been stories about terrorism and wild rumors about an imminent invasion of Israel, but what really matters is that people continue [to be] cautious and afraid to make commitments," says block trader LAWRENCE GREENWALD

of SANFORD C. BERNSTEIN. "There is still no volume and that's the key here. There's very little feature and we've seen weakness pretty much across the board. When you've got political instability at home -- there is yet no sign of a federal budget accord -- and there are serious problems overseas, you can't expect to 'call' the markets." ("The Washington Post", 9/14)

"There's just very, very little to do and it's obviously frustrating," says THOMAS WALSH, head of equity trading at NIKKO SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL. "Most people were enthusiastic that they would have that [budget agreement] settled by the end of this week. That doesn't seem to be the case any more." (WSJ, 9/14)

"All together it was too much," says trader NED COLLINS of DAIWA SECURITIES, suggesting that Mideast uncertainty, unresolved budget talks and anticipation of today's economic reports combined to kill stock market volume yesterday. ("USA Today", 9/14)

"It doesn't mean anything," says INTERSTATE JOHNSON LANE's NELSON GOLD of yesterday's falling market. "People are just doing the minimum they have to do" because of concern about budget talks and events in the Middle East. (WSJ 9/14)

"The Wall Street Journal" reports this morning that a year-long investigation by three major exchanges into alleged program-trading abuses has found no evidence of large-scale illicit activity. (WSJ, 9/14)

STOCK TIPS:

"USA Today" reports this morning that Wall Street "is starting to get a fix on which [defense] companies will see better action" and finds that LORAL and E-SYSTEMS are two popular picks. Analyst MICHAEL LaTRONICO of LABE, SIMPSON & CO. has a buy recommendation on both and says both could rise about 20% within a year. ("USA Today", 9/14)

ELAN CORP., a drug company, is the "Stock of the Week" in "Investor's Daily." "The important thing is that [Elan] has made a decided effort to become a direct marketer and developer of its own products," says JEFFREY BERG of Dallas-based WILLIAM K. WOODRUFF & CO. According to the article, this strategy met with skepticism in the marketplace at first but strong earnings growth in 1990 has vindicated that strategy, and many investors are now getting back on board for what analysts say should be an uphill ride. ("Investor's Daily", 9/14)

Bank stocks in California have "wildly over-reacted," says GOLDMAN SACHS banking analyst ROBERT ALBERTSON. There he likes WELLS FARGO. "I think Texas is truly unique as a banking opportunity," says Albertson, recommending BANC ONE and NCB. Albertson is tantalized by money center banks and thinks they are cheaper than they should be. He would take CITICORP with it's 10% yield

and has no fear that the dividend will be cut. "I'll be paid to wait." (CNN "Business Morning", 9/14)

"I think there are a lot of bargains," says JAMES KALIL of COMPUVAL. "One way to hedge is with the oil stocks." His favorite pick among the oil stocks is UNOCAL. Mr. Kalil also likes some foreign stocks such as TELEFONICA de ESPANA and SEAGRAM'S. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/13)

"AMGEN, in my opinion, is the number one biotech company in the country, and that's been my opinion for about five years," says JEFFREY CASDIN, an analyst with OPPENHEIMER & CO., who repeated his buy recommendation for the company. ("Investor's Daily", 9/14)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"The dollar came under intense pressure," says JOHN McCARTHY, chief currency dealer at AMSTERDAM ROTTERDAM BANK's office in New York. "We say a pretty substantial sell-off. Volume was very, very heavy. I would characterize it as brisk with a capital B." ("Investor's Daily", 9/14)

"If there is a meaningful budget agreement -- and that means a good $50 billion being knocked off [the budget deficit] -- the Fed will have to lower the funds rate by 50 if not 75 basis points," says TOM BENFER of the BANK OF MONTREAL. Benfer says budget cuts will contribute to the slowdown in the U.S. economy, thus stimulating Fed easing. Looking at the dollar, Benfer says 135 yen will be a crucial test. "If Japanese rates continue to move higher ... we could even break that 135 barrier," says Benfer who has heard talk that Japanese institutions are repatriating cash. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/14)

"Despite the weak economic data of late, bond yields haven't declined and the yield curve has steepened considerably," says PAUL BOLTZ, chief economist at T. ROWE PRICE ASSOCIATES INC. "With short rates lower and bond yields steady to higher, the yield curve has steepened, whereas flat or inverted curves preceded previous economic slowdowns since World War II. The Fed will be inclined toward further [policy] ease in the coming weeks and months. Avoiding a recession will be its principle objective." He continues, "However, easing while inflation is held up by sharply higher oil prices will require a deft touch. The Fed will have to move gingerly lest bond yields go even higher and make more difficult the task of avoiding a recession." ("Investor's Daily", 9/14)

"We've been seeing investors who have moved out of [bank issued] commercial paper and [certificates of deposit] and into Treasury bills" for months, says WILLIAM BRACHFELD, manager of trading at DAIWA SECURITIES AMERICA INC. (WSJ, 9/14)

THE ECONOMY:

"Higher capital requirements and prompt corrective action will not eliminate bank failures," says FED CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN. "An insurance fund will still be needed, but we believe that with a fund of reasonable size, the risk to taxpayers should be reduced substantially." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/13)

Auto industry analyst MICHAEL LUCKEY, of THE LUCKEY CONSULTING GROUP in East Tappan, N.J., says he was surprised to see vehicle sales up 2.5% in early September "because consumer confidence fell off a cliff in August and the economy's growth has been slow," says ("Investor's Daily", 9/14)

"With the uncertainty in the Middle East and the rise in gasoline prices, a lot of people would have expected to see [auto buying] consumers move to the sidelines, yet you are not seeing that," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN JR., a senior vice president at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. (NYT, 9/14)

"We view the current [oil] market as relatively stable, but uncertain about future supply," says ENERGY SECRETARY JAMES WATKINS. "Should the situation warrant it, we are prepared to implement a coordinated drawndown of the more than 1 billion barrels in strategic [oil] stocks" held by the United States and other members of the INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY. (NYT, 9/14)

"As time goes on, it seems more and more people think the only solution is some type of military action" in the Mideast, says CRAIG WHITLEY, futures analyst at BOONER & MOORE in Houston. He says a crude oil price of $32 or $33 a barrel "is not out of the question." (NYT, 9/14)

"The weakness in New England real estate is moving south," says PAUL GETMAN, economist at REGIONAL FINANCIAL ASSOCIATES in Philadelphia. "It's enveloping whole regions very quickly." ("USA Today", 9/14)

IN WASHINGTON:

STAN COLLANDER, director of federal budget policy at PRICE WATERHOUSE, says the $25 billion being talked about in new taxes in a deficit reduction agreement is "a fairly substantial reduction in the deficit for one year and when you match that with about $24 billion or $25 billion in spending cuts, I don't know how much more Wall Street can really expect under the circumstances." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/13)

The ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY says pending legislation to strengthen the Clean Air Act would substantially reduce the nation's dependence on foreign oil by providing incentives to switch from oil to cleaner burning fuels. (NYT 9/14)

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NORCROSS, GA (SEPT. 14) /PRNEWSWIRE/ -- Immucor Inc. (NASDAQ: BLUD), maker of blood bank reagent systems and related products, announced today it has signed a definitive purchase agreement to acquire 100 percent of its German distributor.

The distributor, with current annual revenues in excess of $7 million, will continue to be run by its president and founder Josef Wilms. Wilms will also be named to Immucor's board of directors.

The purchase price is approximately $4.4 million plus warrants to purchase 250,000 shares of Immucor's common stock at a fixed price of $11.62 and exercisable 25 percent per year beginning September 1991. Closing is expected on or before Sept. 28, 1990.

Founded in 1984, the German company markets blood collection bags, HLA products, and Immucor's blood bank reagents and Capture(R) products. Approximately 40 percent of the company's revenues are Immucor products.

Commenting on the acquisition, Edward L. Gallup, president, said: "A reunified Germany and the potential for economic growth in Eastern Europe offer Immucor a unique opportunity to become more internationally focused. We will enter this growing, European market on a direct basis at a time when political developments are extremely attractive, and Immucor will be properly positioned when the European Economic Community comes together in 1992."

Founded in 1982, Immucor manufactures and sells a complete line of reagents and systems used primarily by hospitals and blood banks in a number of tests performed to detect and identify certain properties of the cell and serum components of human blood prior to blood transfusion.

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#90257p4576 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BAKERSFIELD, CA (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Nahama & Weagant Energy Co. (NASDAQ: NAWE) recorded sharply higher revenues and improving profits in the second quarter ended July 31, 1990.

Second quarter revenues advanced to $614,000, up from $342,000 a year ago. Net income amounted to $59,000, equal to 1 cent per share, compared with the prior year's net loss of $3,000 or 0 cents per share.

For the first six months of the fiscal year, revenues climbed to $1,138,000 from $628,000 in the first half of fiscal 1990. Net income for the period totaled $96,000 equal to 2 cents per share, as against a net loss of $129,000 or 3 cents per share one year earlier.

Rodney Nahama, president and chief executive officer, said: "We are pleased by the company's continuing progress. First half profits showed a positive swing of $225,000 from last year's loss. Gains reflected higher sales of oil and natural gas for both the second quarter and first six months of the fiscal year, primarily due to our three new field discoveries. We expect that production for the second half will continue to increase as additional wells from these new discoveries are placed on production. In addition, we are benefiting from the sharp rise in oil prices as a result of the Middle East situation.

"Nahama & Weagant is one of the most active exploration companies in California, and we are hopeful that the 15-20 exploratory wells to be drilled in the second half will again produce favorable results and increased reserves. At the same time, we are continuing our efforts to acquire reserves from others."

Based in Bakersfield, Nahama & Weagant Energy Company (NASDAQ: NAWE) is an independent engaging in oil and gas exploration and production primarily in California and Oregon.

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TALLAHASSEE, FLA. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Killearn Properties Inc. (AMEX: KPI), today announced its financial information for the quarter ended July 31.

Revenues were $5,055,341 compared to $4,013,775 for the quarter ended July 31, 1989. Net earnings for the current quarter were $332,379 (23 cents per share) compared to a profit of $249,241 (17 cents per share) for the quarter a year ago.

Earnings per share are calculated based upon 1,439,034 fully diluted shares for the quarter ended July 31 and 1,441,947 for the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

The recent implementation of the Growth Management Act in Florida, together with a related proposed order from the State of Florida, Department of Community Affairs, could adversely affect sales and cash flow from the Florida operations, as is more fully explained in the information contained in the Form 10-Q, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The income for the quarter is not necessarily indicative of the results expected for the year.

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INDIANAPOLIS (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Hurco Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: HURC) said its board authorized the purchase of up to 650,000 shares of the company's outstanding common stock.

The Indianapolis-based company said the purchases will be made from time to time in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, subject to availability, at prices it deems appropriate. The shares purchased will be held in its treasury.

Hurco Companies, Inc. currently has approximately 5.5 million common shares outstanding.

Hurco Companies, Inc. is one of the largest United States based manufacturers of computer numerical control systems for stand-alone machine tools. The end market for the company's products consists primarily of independent job shops and short-run manufacturing operations within large corporations in industries such as the aerospace, defense, medical equipment, energy, transportation and computer industries. The company is based in Indianapolis and has additional manufacturing facilities in Detroit and High Wycombe, England, and has a sales application engineering and service subsidiary in Munich, West Germany. Products are sold through 120 independent agents and distributors in the United States and 26 other countries. The company also has direct sales forces in the United States, the United Kingdom and West Germany.

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PICHLER NAMED CHAIRMAN OF KROGER CO.; BERE PRESIDENT & C.O.O.

CINCINNATI (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Kroger Co. (NYSE: KR) announced today

a series of executive promotions:

-- Joseph A. Pichler, currently Chief Executive Officer, has been elected to the additional position of Chairman of the Board;

-- Richard L. Bere, currently a Senior Vice President, has been elected President and Chief Operating Officer, as well as a member of the Board of Directors;

-- Patrick J. Kenney, currently President of the Texas Operating Group of Kroger Food Stores, was elected a Senior Vice President, succeeding Bere;

-- William J. Sinkula and David B. Dillon were elected Executive Vice Presidents. Sinkula will remain Kroger's Chief Financial Officer, and Dillon will continue as President and Chief Executive Officer of Dillon Companies, Inc.

With the additional duties of Chairman of the Board, Pichler is assuming the dual role of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer that has been held by Lyle Everingham for the past 11 years. Everingham, 64, announced his retirement at Kroger's annual shareowners' meeting in May, and Pichler became CEO on June 17.

Everingham will remain a member of the Board of Directors, and was elected Chairman of the Executive Committee. He will serve in that position until he retires in January, 1991.

Bere, a 33-year Kroger veteran, was elected a Senior Vice President of the Company in May, 1989. He holds a Doctorate in agricultural economics from Ohio State University, and has held a variety of company positions at both the corporate and division level. Prior to his election as Senior Vice President, Bere was Vice President of Kroger's retail divisions in Atlanta and Nashville, Tennessee.

Kenney, who is succeeding Bere, joined Kroger in 1955 and has supervised the Company's retail operations in Texas since 1985. Previous to that assignment, Kenney was Vice President of Kroger's retail stores in northeast Ohio. In his new position, Kenney will be responsible for about half of the Company's Kroger Food Stores retail operations.

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#90257p4588 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Investor's Daily announced today it will open its sixth printing facility in six years on Sept. 18, 1990, in Melbourne, Florida and will now offer same-day delivery to most Florida business people and investors.

William J. O'Neil, chairman and founder, said the Florida location was selected because of the state's high percentage of wealthy investors and business executives.

"Investor's Daily fills an important void that other publications don't address by providing proprietary data such as, performance rankings of all stocks," O'Neil said.

"There is a high demand for this type of data among executives and investors. Because we provide data that none of our competitors has, not even The Wall Street Journal, the Florida area will be an excellent market for us."
Same-day delivery should stimulate circulation in Florida, O'Neil believes. National circulation now stands at 105,000.

In support of its Florida expansion, Investor's Daily will offer, beginning in October, free 90-minute seminars throughout the state. Topics will include the outlook for the economy, how investors should handle today's difficult market conditions, and the effect on stocks of events such as the Persian Gulf crisis.

Also speaking besides O'Neil will be David Ryan, a three-time winner of the U.S. Investing Championships, a national stock competition, who achieved a 3,317 percent compounded gain in his personal trading account in five years.

O'Neil said, "We're here to help investors safeguard their investments. The information we publish will enable individual investors to compete with large investment institutions and portfolio managers, giving them a new edge in the market."

Investor's Daily, a national business and investment newspaper that competes with The Wall Street Journal, began publication in April 1984. In six years, the company has opened printing facilities in Somerset, New Jersey; Chicago; Columbus, Ohio; Dallas; and now, Melbourne, Florida.

CONTACT: Kathy Sherman of Investor's Daily, 213-207-1832

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#90257p4593 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
VEVEY, SWITZERLAND (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Nestle S.A. today announced the following:

In its 1990 six-months profit and loss account, Nestle S.A. reports consolidated sales of SFr. 22,694 billion during the first half of the year. In spite of the negative currency evolution -- the dollar and the pound lost 10 percent and 11 percent, respectively, of their value relative to the Swiss Franc during that time, the yen lost 21 percent -- the sales figure remains virtually unchanged as compared to the figure of the corresponding period of

1989, recalculated according to International Accounting Standards.

The Group notes with satisfaction that in spite of these unfavorable currency factors the trading profit is up 9.8 percent, while the cash flow increased by 7.9 percent. Nevertheless, the net profit for the first six months amounts to SFr. 975 million, down 4.7 percent from the previous year (SFr. 1,023 million). This divergence is mainly due to the fact that profit development was particularly favorable in countries with high fiscal charges. As the share capital remained unchanged from the previous year, profit per share, at SFr. 265 versus SFr. 278 in 1989, moved in parallel to the net results.

The present political and economic situation makes it impossible to forecast currency developments during the second semester and therefore sales and profit figures for the whole year with any degree of reliability. The Group nevertheless expects the growth in quantitative sales to be stronger during the second half of the year; it also expects the effective progress of the Group business, expressed in local currencies, to continue at the same satisfactory level as during the first half of the year.

CONTACT: Matthew J. Harrington of Dewe Rogerson, in New York, 212-688-6840, for Nestle

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#90257p4595 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD, ILL. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Premark International, Inc. (NYSE: PMI), today announced it has settled its disputes with Weldotron Corporation (AMEX: WLD) concerning food-wrapping machine patents. The settlement will result in an $11.9 million payment from Premark to Weldotron in exchange for Weldotron's dismissal of lawsuits and agreement not to attempt to enforce the patents against Hobart, a Premark susidiary that produces a broad line of food equipment including food-wrapping machines.

Weldotron sought total damages in excess of $200 million in two lawsuits filed in the U.S. District Court of New Jersey alleging patent infringement by Hobart. Hobart denies any improper activity or infringement on its part, and had counterclaimed that the patents were invalid and unenforceable. Premark says it decided to settle the suits to avoid the uncertainty and additional costs of further litigation.

Premark International is a $2.6 billion multinational company that markets premium products under leading brands such as Tupperware, West Bend, Wilsonart Hobart, Vulcan, Precor, Florida Tile and Hartco. The company's stock is listed on the New York, Pacific and London Stock Exchanges.

CONTACT: Bob Matha of Premark, 708-405-6251

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#90257p4597 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
MEMPHIS, TENN. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Perkins Family Restaurants, L.P. (NYSE: PFR) announced today that it has declared a cash distribution for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 in the amount of 30 cents per limited partnership unit, payable on November 15, 1990 to unitholders of record as of the close of business on Sept. 30, 1990.

Perkins Family Restaurants, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, currently operates 114 Perkins Family Restaurants and franchises an additional 277 restaurants in 29 states and Canada.

CONTACT: Michael P. Donahoe, Investor Relations Department, Perkins Family Restaurants, L.P., 901-766-6400

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#90257p4599 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROCHESTER, N.Y. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Paul E. Gray, president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (M.I.T.), was elected to the Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) board of directors today at meeting of the board.

Gray, 58, a recognized leader in engineering education and university administration, has been president of M.I.T. since 1980. He will become chairman of M.I.T.'s board of trustees (the M.I.T. Corporation) on Oct. 15.

From 1982 to 1986, he served as a member of the White House Science Council, and is presently vice-chairman of the Council on Competitiveness, a Washington-based, non-profit organization.

Expanding educational opportunities for women, for blacks, and for other minority groups has been among Gray's major concerns. He served from 1974 to 1979 he as a member of the Committee on Minorities in Engineering of the Assembly of Engineering in the National Research Council.

A native of Newark, N.J., Gray received his bachelor's, master's and doctorate degrees, all in electrical engineering, from M.I.T. He served on the M.I.T. faculty and in the academic administration, including responsibilities as associate provost, dean of engineering and chancellor before becoming the school's 14th president.

CONTACT: Ronald C. Roberts of Eastman Kodak Company, 716-724-4513

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#90257p4600 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Recognition Equipment Incorporated (NYSE: REC) announced today that it had reached an out-of-court settlement in the

lawsuit filed by Paul Carlin, former postmaster general of the United States Postal Service (USPS).

Carlin had filed a civil suit against the company and two former company officers in May 1989 based on the allegations in the criminal proceedings which ended last November in an acquittal.

Under the settlement agreement, Recognition paid an undisclosed amount in return for the release of all claims against the company and its former officers.

Recognition, headquartered in Dallas, and its wholly owned subsidiary, Plexus Software, Inc., manufacture, sell and service image and data capture hardware and software systems for customers throughout the world.

CONTACT: Jenny Haynes of Recognition, 214-579-6024

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#90257p4601 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVONIA, MICH. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Fretter, Inc. (NASDAQ: FTTR) today reported a net loss of $658,000 (5 cents per share) for the three-month period ended July 31, 1990. This compares to net earnings of $714,000 (5 cents per share) for the three-month period ended July 31, 1989. The company reported a net loss for the six-month period ended July 31, 1990, of $1.9 million. This compares to net earnings of $864,000 for the six-month period ended July 31, 1989.

The company reported a 9.1-percent decline in net sales to $48.0 million for the three-month period ended July 31, 1990. This compares to net sales of $52.8 million at July 31, 1989. This decrease reflects a decline in comparable store sales of $6.0 million (12.3 percent) for the three-month period ended July 31, 1990. For the six-month period ended July 31, 1990, the company reported a decline in net sales of 10.7 percent to $90.4 million at July 31, 1990. This compares to net sales of $101.3 million at July 31, 1989. This decline reflects a decline in comparable store sales of $12.7 million (13.7 percent) for the six-month period ended July 31, 1990. A comparable store for a given fiscal period is a store that was open for all of that period as well as all of the prior fiscal period of which a comparison is being made.

The company attributes the decline in net sales and the decline in net earnings primarily to a weak speciality retail environment in general, coupled with highly competitive marketing areas.

Fretter, Inc. is a leading specialty retailer of home entertainment products, consumer electronics and appliances with 57 store locations in Michigan, Illinois, Ohio, Indiana and Massachusetts.

CONTACT: Dale Campbell of Fretter, Inc., 313-353-8511

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#90257p4604 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Jose J. Coronas, recently appointed general manager of Eastman Kodak Company's (NYSE: EK) Clinical Products Division, has been elected a company vice president by the Kodak board of directors, effective Oct. 1.

Coronas, 48, is currently president and chief executive officer of Genencor International, Inc., a joint venture company of Kodak and Cultor Ltd. of Finland. He joined Kodak in 1966 and served in various management positions in the U.S. and Europe. His most recent assignment at Kodak was as general manager and vice-president of Kodak's Bio-Products Division.

A native of Cuba, Coronas received a BS degree in industrial engineering from the University of Miami and an MBA degree from the University of Rochester. He is a resident of Pittsford, N.Y.

CONTACT: Paul C. Allen of Eastman Kodak Company, 76-724-5802

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#90257p4606 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (SEPT. 14,) PR NEWSWIRE - Winthrop Insured Mortgage Investors II (AMEX: WMI), A Limited Partnership (the "Fund"), today declared a third quarter distribution of 32 cents per Assignee Unit. The distribution will be paid by the Fund on Oct. 15, 1990, to Unitholders of record as of Sept. 28, 1990. The Fund's units trade on the American Stock Exchange under the ticket symbol "WMI". The General Partners are affiliates of Winthrop Financial Associates, A Limited Partnership, a Boston-based real estate investment firm.

CONTACT: Doris Kelly of Winthrop, 617-330-8600, ext. 8164

-30- 768

#90257p4607 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATHLONE, IRELAND (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Elan Corporation, plc (AMEX: ELN) said today it agreed to purchase all the outstanding shares of privately held Drug Delivery Systems Inc., a New York-based developer of electrically assisted transdermal drug delivery systems.

Terms call for an initial payment of $4.5 million at the closing, with potential additional payments to be made in the future based on the performance of DDS's technology.

DDS, formed in 1983, has spent the past seven years developing technology for electro transdermal drug delivery. It has filed for broad patent coverage in some 30 countries and has submitted six Investigational New Drug Applications to the U.S. FDA.

"The development work carried out by DDS will broaden and strengthen Elan's electro transdermal drug absorption technology base," said Donald E. Panoz, Elan's chairman and CEO. "The experience and expertise of the DDS development programs in this field," he added.

Elan Corporation plc is a leader in the specialized health care field of advanced reformulation and drug delivery, concentrating on improved drug absorption and utilization. Elan operates research and manufacturing facilities in Athlone, Republic of Ireland; Enschede, Netherlands; Manila, Philippines; Gainesville, Ga.; Brea, Calif. and Cambridge, Mass.

CONTACT: Thomas Redington of Redington, Inc., 203-222-7399, or 212-926-1733, for Elan

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#90257p4610 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST ORANGE, N.J. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Micro Healthsystems, Inc. (NASDAQ: MCHS), today announced it signed a contract with the Hackensack (N.J.) Medical Center to install Bedside Nursing Patient Care Systems for 48 of its 510 beds. This initial order, valued at $197,000, marks the first time that an IBM Clinical Workstation utilizing Micro Healthsystem's MedTake(TM) software has been installed in a hospital.

As a result of its new Business Partner agreement with IBM, Micro Healthsystems is the first company in the country to supply a fully functional software package for the newly introduced IBM Clinical Workstation by transporting its MedTake Bedside Nursing Patient Care System to this hardware.

"By offering MedTake software on the IBM Clinical Workstation we intend to fulfill the desire of hospitals that want automation at the bedside and that wish to maintain primarily IBM 'shops,'" according to S. M. Caravetta, chairman of Micro Healthsystems.

Micro Healthsystems already markets its MedTake Bedside Nursing System on its economical proprietary computer hardware. With more than 4,000 beds installed or contracted for, it is clearly established as the dominant factor in this new technology.

New Jersey has put into effect a statewide effort calling for a total of $20 million in one- and two-year grants to be awarded to hospitals for innovative systems that aid patient care and help alleviate the nursing shortage by allowing hospitals to make better use of the nurses they have. Under this

program the Hackensack Medical Center was awarded a grant to install IBM Clinical Workstations with MedTake Bedside Nursing Patient Care System software.

The bedside computerized units enhance nurses' productivity, providing time savings of up to 1 and 1-1/2 hours per nurse per shift. They also provide valuable documentation for malpractice coverage. The units record all vital signs, diet, hygiene, safety, drugs administered, nurses' care plans and other patient information, according to Caravetta.

CONTACT: S. M. Caravetta, chairman, or James Pesce, president of Micro Healthsystems, 201-731-9252

-30- 2346

#90257p4614 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines today said it flew 1.64 billion revenue passenger miles and had a 72.2 percent load factor in August. Capacity was 2.27 billion available seat miles; passenger boardings were 2.18 million.

Eastern said its traffic has climbed steadily during the spring and summer, with load factors growing each month since May.

The August results are not comparable with August, 1989 levels when the airline's operations were greatly diminished by a March 4 strike. One year ago capacity was 1.27 billion available seat miles and the airline flew 959.0 million revenue passenger miles with a 75.6 percent load factor. Passenger boardings were 1.2 million.

Eastern currently operates about 800 daily flights to some 85 cities.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, 305-873-3773, or 305-873-6360

-30- 1014

#90257p4616 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARAHAN, LA. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Wiener Enterprises Inc. (AMEX: WPB) announced today that the previously announced sale by Ward White U.S.A. Holdings Inc., an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of The Boots Co. PLC, a United Kingdom corporation, of the 1,035,461 shares (or 44.3 percent of the outstanding shares) of common stock of Wiener held by Ward White was consummated on Sept. 13 pursuant to the terms of a Stock Purchase Agreement dated as of Aug. 16.

Gordon R. Solway, Dean M. Haulton, Philip C. Keevil, James S. Lyons and James E. Morrow have resigned as directors of Wiener. Martin J. Bogdanovich,

Frederick C. Ermel, David S. Lawson and Harold J. O'Keefe have been appointed as directors of the company, filling four of the five vacancies created by the resignations. Bogdanovich was elected chairman of the board, and Ermel was elected vice chairman of the board.

CONTACT: Michael Doherty of Wiener Enterprises, 504-733-7055

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#90257p4618 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - PLM Equipment Growth Fund, a California limited partnership (AMEX: GFX), today announced its quarterly cash distribution of $.575 per outstanding growth fund depository unit. The distribution is payable Nov. 15, 1990, to unitholders of record as of Sept. 28 1990.

PLM Equipment Growth Fund is a $120 million income-oriented limited partnership formed in May 1986 to acquire, manage and lease a diversified portfolio of used transportation equipment. The Fund was listed for trading on the American Stock Exchange June 1, 1989.

San Francisco-based PLM International (AMEX: PLM) is an integrated equipment leasing company engaged in the leasing and management of transportation equipment and in operating leases domestically and internationally, as well as the syndication of capital equipment leasing investments. The company operates and manages over $1.3 billion of transportation equipment and related assets for its account, various sponsored partnerships and other third party accounts.

CONTACT: Paula Brown of PLM International Inc., 415-544-8460

-30- 1286

#90257p4623 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Kenan Transport Company (NASDAQ: KTCO) declared a five and a quarter cents ($.0525) per share quarterly cash dividend payable October 15, 1990 to stockholders of record on September 28, 1990.

CONTACT: William L. Boone, Vice President-Finance, Kenan Transport Company, 919-967-8221

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#90257p4627 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MICH. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Upjohn Dermatology Division has signed an agreement with Owen/Galderma Laboratories, Inc., to co-promote Upjohn's dermatology products.

Under terms of the agreement, which was signed on Sept. 7, Upjohn and Owen/Galderma will co-promote Rogaine Topical Solution and the Cleocin T product line in the United States. The agreement takes effect on Jan. 1, 1991.

"This represents another commitment to the future of our dermatological products, Rogaine and Cleocin T," said Ley S. Smith, corporate executive vice president.

Rogaine is the only medication scientifically proved effective in the treatment of male pattern baldness. It was cleared for marketing by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in August 1988. The Cleocin T product line for acne includes Cleocin T Topical Solution, Cleocin T Topical Gel and Cleocin T Topical Lotion.

Owen/Galderma was chosen by Upjohn to co-promote these brands because of its proven performance and expertise in the dermatological area.

"We feel this focus on dermatologists will help with the continued growth of Cleocin T and Rogaine," Smith said.

The Upjohn Dermatology Division was created on Aug. 1 to maximize Rogaine and Cleocin T opportunities and to actively pursue licensing opportunities, acquisitions or joint ventures in the field of dermatology.

The Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care products, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

CONTACT: Laura B. Harwin of The Upjohn Company, 616-323-4501

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#90257p4628 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGH POINT, N.C. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Preferred Savings Bank, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PSLA), headquartered in High Point, North Carolina, today announced that the institution experienced a fourth quarter loss of $527,000, bringing the year-to-date loss to $8,251,000 or $4.48 per share for the year ended June 30, 1990. This compares to a loss of $4,893,000 or $2.66 per share for fiscal 1989. At year end assets were $233 million compared to $309 million a year ago. Regulatory capital is now a negative $1.7 million.

CONTACT: Charles L. Huff, Jr., Preferred Savings Bank, Inc., 919-889-3132

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#90257p4630 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Energy Service Company, Inc. (ENSCO) (AMEX: ESV) and R.D. Smith and Company, Inc. announced today an agreement to sell 33 land drilling rigs from Penrod Drilling Corporation's fleet of 79 land and offshore rigs. The land rigs, which are located throughout seven states, will be sold by Penrod to Diamond M Holding Corporation for $14.9 million. The sale is expected to close on or before Sept. 21.

As previously announced, agreements have been reached to sell five of Penrod's semi-submersible rigs and six jack-up drilling rigs. An option has also been granted for the sale of three more of Penrod's semi-submersible rigs. These previously announced sales are subject to various regulatory approvals and completion of the acquisition of the remaining 31.3 percent of Penrod's senior debt and equity securities that are not already owned by ENSCO and its affiliated group of investors, and by affiliates of R.D. Smith. Certain other asset sales are under discussion in connection with the recapitalization of Penrod.

The ENSCO group and affiliates of R.D. Smith expect to complete the acquisition of the remaining Penrod interests on or before Oct. 31. Following the acquisition of the remaining Penrod interests and completion of the Penrod rig sales, it is expected that the Penrod fleet will consist of approximately 18 jack-up drilling rigs built since 1976, eight to 10 land rigs and two large anchor handling supply vessels. After the acquisition of the remaining Penrod interests, it is contemplated that Penrod will continue to operate as a separate entity for the foreseeable future and that ENSCO, at the direction of its affiliate group of investors and R.D. Smith, will oversee the day-to-day operations of Penrod.

The ENSCO group of investors, which will own interests in 58.6 percent of Penrod's senior debt and equity after completion of the purchase of the remaining Penrod interests, consists of ENSCO; Natural Gas Partners, L.P.; Rainwater, Inc.; PMJ Investment Corp.; The Goldman Sachs Group, L.P.; and a subsidiary of Bankers Trust New York Corporation. A group led by R.D. Smith, a New York-based investment firm, will own interests in the remaining 41.4 percent of the senior debt and equity.

ENSCO, headquartered in Dallas, is engaged in providing contract drilling and related energy services to the international petroleum industry.

CONTACT: Richard LeBlanc of ENSCO, 214-922-1500

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#90257p4634 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - John K. Ziegler, chairman and chief executive officer of Willcox & Gibbs, Inc. (NYSE: WG) announced that on Sept.

11 the company's board of directors declared a cash dividend of $.05 a share to be payable on Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Sept. 28.

Willcox & Gibbs is a distributor of industrial products and is a specialty manufacturer of covered yarn.

CONTACT: Richard J. Mackey, president of Willcox & Gibbs, 212-869-1800

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#90257p4635 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CALIF. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Marrow-Tech Inc. (NASDAQ: MAROA) today announced the addition of Jack L. Heckel to fill a new seat on its board of directors. Heckel is president and chief operating officer of GenCorp (NYSE: GY), a $2 billion technology-based company with strong positions in aerospace, automotive and related polymer products. Heckel has also served as chairman and chief executive officer of Aerojet, a division of GenCorp, and is a director of WD-40 Co. (NASDAQ: WDFC).

Arthur J. Benvenuto, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Marrow-Tech stated, "Marrow-Tech plans to introduce its first commercial products this year. The company is fortunate to have the benefit of Jack Heckel's broad operations and manufacturing experience in this important transition period."

In addition to Heckel and Benvenuto, Marrow-Tech's board of directors include Coy Eklund, retired chairman, president and chief executive officer of Equitable Life Assurance Society; John Pappajohn, president of Equity Dynamics Inc., a financial consulting firm, and sole owner of Pappajohn Capital Resources, a venture capital company; William B. Walsh,

M.D., president and chief executive officer and founder of The People-to-People Health Foundation, which is a parent organization to Project HOPE; Dr. Gail K. Naughton, senior vice president and chief scientific officer of Marrow-Tech; and Ron Cohen, M.D., vice president, clinical and regulatory affairs for Marrow-Tech.

Marrow-Tech is engaged in the growth of human tissue outside the body. The company's proprietary tissue culture system has a number of potential therapeutic and laboratory applications. To date, the company has successfully grown bone marrow, skin and liver tissue.

CONTACT: Arthur J. Benvenuto, chairman, president and CEO of Marrow- Tech, 619-450-5735

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#90257p4636 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boston Globe has awarded a total of $1,292,495 in college tuitions for 1990 through its "Paper Route to College" program for newscarriers. The grants are helping 320 students attend schools and colleges throughout the United States.

The 1990 payments bring the total of tuition awards made by the Globe to $2,899,189 since the start of the Paper Route to College program, with 730 youngsters being helped by the program.

Begun by the Globe in 1986, the Paper Route to College program offers one-year's tuition up to $5,000 for carriers who satisfactorily deliver the Globe for three years in a home-delivery route. The first awards in the program were made July 1, 1988, when the first group of carriers became eligible.

The Globe awarded $624,719 in 1988 and another $981,975 in 1989. The average grant per recipient now exceeds $4,000, with the payment sent directly to the school.

The program was established to provide an incentive for youngsters to become and remain newscarriers for an extended period, the tuition award is in addition to the regular compensation that carriers receive for delivering the Globe.

The Globe's Paper Route to College program for newscarriers is unique among newspapers nationwide in that every carrier with a home delivery route can become eligible for the award.

The Paper Route to College is the largest of several tuition assistance programs the Globe sponsors every year. Some are awards as part of the Globe's Public Affairs programs, such as the Boston Globe Scholastic Arts Awards and the Mass. State Science Fair.

Others include the Boston Globe Scholar-Athlete program, Co-operative Education Scholarships, and the John I. Taylor and William Davis Taylor Outstanding Scholars Program, a joint program providing full scholarships to selected students of the Boston Public Schools to the University of Massachusetts at Boston.

CONTACT: Richard P. Gulla of The Boston Globe, 617-929-3288

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#90257p4638 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MICH. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company's investment of $177 million for research and engineering facilities will produce long-range benefits of great value to Ford customers, to the environment, and to the automotive industry, Ford Chairman Harold A. Poling said today.

Speaking at a ceremony here marking the expansion and renovation of the company's Scientific Research Laboratories and the groundbreaking for a new Advanced Engineering Center, Poling said that "the combined significance of these two projects cannot be overstated."

Keynote speaker Dr. Allan Bromley, assistant to President Bush for Science and Technology, said that research and development are essential to the long-term health of industry and the country.

"I don't think any country is better positioned to succeed in the new world economic order than is the United States," he stated.

The Scientific Research Laboratories are being expanded and modernized to accommodate the sweeping change in the focus of Ford's research and engineering efforts over the past three decades. A 125,000-square-foot addition will provide space for research in response to environmental needs, consolidation of engineering activities from other buildings, and a joint project between Ford's Electronics Division and the integrated circuit laboratory.

The 236,000-square-foot Advanced Engineering Center -- to be built on Ford's Dearborn research campus -- will provide a central facility where Ford engineers will carry out intensified research and engineering development to reduce noise, vibration, and harshness in vehicles in an effort to enhance the overall customer driving experience.

"In the next couple of decades, we'll be facing worldwide challenges of enormous magnitude," Poling said. "And the actions we're launching today ... will play a constructive role in helping us to meet these challenges head on."

According to Poling, one of the biggest competitive concerns, excess worldwide automotive capacity, will make some manufacturers more vulnerable than others. The work carried out in these two facilities "will be a crucial element" in Ford's quest to be included in the select group of manufacturers who are global winners, he said.

CONTACT: Linda Becker of Ford, 313-337-2456

-30- 2494

#90257p4642 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Steven A. McMichael, president of Tiempo Equities, Inc. and Clifford B. Meacham, president of Atrix, Inc. today announced that, pursuant to a previously announced letter of intent, the companies have entered into an agreement to merge.

Consummation of the merger is subject to various conditions, including the

approval of both the Tiempo and Atrix shareholders. It is currently anticipated shareholders will vote on the proposed transaction at special meetings of both companies to be held on Oct. 11, 1990. Following consummation of this transaction, Atrix shareholders would own approximately 45 percent of the total outstanding stock of Tiempo.

Minneapolis-based Tiempo Equities, Inc., is a blind investment pool formed in August 1987 to raise capital for the acquisition of, or investment in, a single business enterprise meeting management's criteria.

Atrix, Inc. is a Burnsville-based, privately financed company organized in June 1981 and is presently engaged primarily in the business of assembling and marketing hand tools and customized hand tools kits, as well as the manufacture and marketing of vacuums, printed circuit board cases, and electrostatic discharge and static-control components and accessories to customers principally involved in the electronics and computer industry. Sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, were over $4.3 million, and the company is currently profitable.

CONTACT: Steven A. McMichael or Harley L. Handegard of Tiempo Equities, Inc., 612-545-1000

-30- 1714

#90257p4649 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MICH. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - International Controls Corp. has extended the expiration date of its exchange offer to its debenture holders from 5 p.m. Sept. 17 to 5 p.m. Oct. 2.

Rothschild Inc., financial advisor to the committee of debenture holders, is conducting its due diligence and is preparing to report to the committee. The company expects to meet shortly with representatives of the committee or their advisors.

As of 5 p.m. on Sept. 12, $5,109,000 of the subordinated discount debentures (AMEX: INCA) and $4,000 of the 12-3/4 percent debentures (AMEX: INCB) had been tendered. Debenture holders who desire further information about the committee may contact Wilbur L. Ross Jr., senior managing director of Rothschild Inc., at 212-757-6000.

CONTACT: Kevin Hanley of International Controls Corp., 616-343-6121, or William Catacosinos or Marisa Heine, of D.F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for International Controls

-30- 1113

#90257p4651 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Vaughn Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ:

VGHN) today reported net income in the second quarter of $58,988 or $.02 per share, on net sales of $6,688,599 for the period ended July 31, 1990. This compares with a net loss of $(845,745) or $(.33) per share, on net sales of $6,781,208 during the prior year's second quarter. Included in the prior year's second quarter results was a loss from discontinued operations of $986,653.

The company also reported it has completed its previously announced sale of Vaughn Broadcasting Group's last remaining radio stations in La Crosse, Wis., and Sioux Falls, S.D., and Vaughn Communications Group's Minneapolis Equipment Sales and Service division.

Vaughn Communications Group continues to support the broadcast industry through its Vaughn Broadcast Rental division and through its Vaughn Duplication Services division, which provides high-speed videotape duplication services to a wide spectrum of industry users. Vaughn Display Group manufactures display, promotion and gift products.

VAUGHN COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	7/31/90	7/31/89	7/31/90	7/31/89
Revenue	$6,688,599	$6,781,208	$12,602,001	$13,070,074
Income from continuing operations	58,988	140,908	82,806	160,575
Loss from discontinued operations	--	(986,653)	--	(1,073,391)
Net gain (loss)	$58,988	$(845,745)	$82,806	$(912,816)
Income (loss) per share of common stock:				
Continuing operations	$.02	$.06	$.03	$.06
Discontinued operations	--	(.39)	--	(.42)
	$.02	$(.33)	$.03	$(.36)

CONTACT: E. David Willette of Vaughn Communications, 612-835-5050

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PRINCETON, N.J. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Cytogen Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTO) today announced the payment of a quarterly dividend on its $2.50 convertible exchangeable preferred stock (NASDAQ: CYTOP) to holders of record on Sept. 28, 1990.

The dividend of $.625 per share will be paid on Oct. 15. Cytogen Corp. is a biopharmaceutical company which has developed proprietary systems for linking drugs and diagnostic agents to monoclonal antibodies in order to optimize the function of the antibody as a delivery vehicle. With major emphasis on human cancer, current product development efforts at Cytogen are focused on improved cancer diagnostic imaging agents and the targeted delivery of cancer therapeutic agents directly to tumor sites.

CONTACT: Cheryl Shipley Coyle of Cytogen, 609-987-8221

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OAKBROOK TERRACE, ILL. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Telesphere Communications Inc. (AMEX: TSP) and Kennedy Space Center SPACEPORT USA today announce the availability of a new 900 number for NASA Space Shuttle launch information. The service was contracted by TW Recreational Services Inc., operating company of SPACEPORT USA, the visitor center at Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

The new number (900-321-LIFT-OFF) (75 cents per call) is available in the continental United States and will be promoted to visitors on central Florida billboards and in all printed promotional material distributed by SPACEPORT USA. The hotline is designed to enhance public interest in America's space program and promote visitor attendance at SPACEPORT USA. Information provided during the one-minute message includes date and time of the next scheduled launch, an overview of the mission and crew and a brief description of SPACEPORT USA activities.

"We feel the traveling public will appreciate being able to learn in advance about upcoming Space Shuttle launches that may occur during their central Florida vacation," says H.B. Chambers, division vice president and general manager. Dennis Houlihan, senior vice president of Telesphere's Information Services/900 Business Unit, observes the new hotline as an example of a creative 900 number application. "Innovative organizations, such as TW Recreational Services, are finding new ways to use 900 service to reach consumers. The Space Shuttle information line will serve as an extremely effective marketing vehicle for SPACEPORT USA, as well as provide an important visitor service."

Available activities at SPACEPORT USA include two-hour bus tours of Kennedy Space Center and presentations of the spectacular IMAX movie "The Dream is Alive." Parking and admission to the complex are free; a nominal fee is charged for the bus tour and IMAX movie. In hosting over three million visitors during 1989, SPACEPORT USA ranks as the fourth most popular visitor destination in Florida.

Telesphere Communications Inc. operates a nationwide, state-of-the- art digital fiber optic network over which it provides long distance, operator,

interactive 900 and other enhanced telecommunications services.

CONTACT: Eric Fridman of Telesphere, 708-954-7700

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MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Vaughn Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: VGHN) today reported net income in the second quarter of $58,988 or $.02 per share, on net sales of $6,688,599 for the period ended July 31, 1990. This compares with a net loss of $(845,745) or $(.33) per share, on net sales of $6,781,208 during the prior year's second quarter. Included in the prior year's second quarter results was a loss from discontinued operations of $986,653.

The company also reported it has completed its previously announced sale of Vaughn Broadcasting Group's last remaining radio stations in La Crosse, Wis., and Sioux Falls, S.D., and Vaughn Communications Group's Minneapolis Equipment Sales and Service division.

Vaughn Communications Group continues to support the broadcast industry through its Vaughn Broadcast Rental division and through its Vaughn Duplication Services division, which provides high-speed videotape duplication services to a wide spectrum of industry users. Vaughn Display Group manufactures display, promotion and gift products.

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#90257p4674 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST CHESTER, PA (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Roy F. Weston Inc. (NASDAQ: WSTNA) (WESTON) announced today that it expects to report a profit for the third quarter 1990, however earnings will be less than anticipated.

"WESTON's consulting business remains stable in general but segments have been affected by increasing anticipation of an economic slowdown, particularly in the Northeast," said William J. Marrazzo, president and chief operating officer.

"The company has also experienced delays in the start-up of several large multi-disciplinary commercial projects, as well as two large federal projects which have since gotten underway. Additionally, laboratory revenues, while steady, have not grown as expected."

In the remediation sector, due to process modifications to its Transportable Incineration System, the company's wholly owned subsidiary, Weston Services, Inc., has achieved production improvements at its Paxton Avenue (Illinois EPA)

project. However, the difficulties experienced to date on the project and the potential of yet unforeseen circumstances have prevented WESTON from recognizing any improvement in profitability.

"Overall we are encouraged by continued growth in the environmental management industry, nontheless, national economic factors could affect our future growth " said Marrazzo.

"We have shown a strong recovery during 1990. The factors that are currently detracting from higher earnings appear to be external rather than operational. While these economic trends may continue, we expect to remain profitable during the fourth quarter."

"Supporting these expectations are recent significant contract awards including U.S. EPA Emergency Response Service (TAT) for $116.5 million, a Corps of Engineers $15 million contract for on-site incineration of explosive-contaminated soils at the Savanna Army Depot and the exercise of an additional option year on the Department of Defense Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management (OCRWM) contract valued at $16.4 million. During 1990 new contract bookings are up 18 percent compared to the same period in 1989."

WESTON is headquartered in West Chester, and operates a network of four analytical laboratories and 44 offices, including Los Angeles, Houston, Chicago, Atlanta, Boston, New York and Washington, D.C.

CONTACT: Robert W. Brandl, vice president and treasurer of Roy F. Weston, 215-524-4650

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#90257p4675 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
MELBOURNE, FLA. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - DBA Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: DBAS), a Melbourne, Fla. based defense electronics firm, announced today that:

Boeing Defense and Space Group has exercised an option to purchase Avenger Automatic Video Tracker equipment. This equipment is used in the U.S. Army component of the Avenger Day/Night Missile System which is the "line of sight " rear component of the U.S. Army Forward Area Defense System (FAADS). The option is worth approximately $2 million and extends into 1992.

Boeing is a prime contractor on the Avenger Air Defense System. The program is based at Boeing operations in Huntsville, Ala.

The Automatic Video Tracker makes use of DBA's fabrication and assembly capabilities and incorporates existing standard product design technology in the field of Automatic Video Tracking.

The contracts will be performed at DBA's Electronic Systems Division in Melbourne, Fla.

CONTRACT: John L. Slack, chairman of the board, president and CEO of DBA Systems, Inc., 407-727-0660, Ext. 2535

-30- 1235

#90257p4682 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAWRENCE, MASS. (SPET. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - First Essex Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: FESX) announced today that its board of directors has declared a dividend of 5 cents per share payable Oct. 13, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 28, 1990. This dividend compares to 9 cents per share in the prior quarter and represents the company's 12th consecutive quarterly dividend following its initial public offering in August 1987.

Leonard A. Wilson, president and chief executive officerstated: "In view of the deterioration of this region's economy the board of directors' action in reducing the quarterly dividend from 9 cents to 5 cents is a prudent step."

First Essex Bancorp, Inc. is the holding company for First Essex Savings Bank and First Essex Savings Bank of New Hampshire. First Essex Bancorp subsidiaries have 10 bank offices in northeastern Massachusetts and two offices in southern New Hampshire. As of June 30, 1990, First Essex Bancorp total assets are $599 million and its capital to assets ratio is 14.7 percent.

CONTACT: C. Frederick Rossbach, executive vice president and treasurer of First Essex Bancorp, Inc., 508-681-7500

-30- 1342

#90257p4683 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir today announced plans to increase fares in domestic markets by 4.2 percent effective Oct. 1.

The airline said the fare action is necessary to recover increases in the cost of jet fuel, which have been exacerbated by recent events in the Persian Gulf.

Cost of jet fuel continues to fluctuate and in recent weeks has periodically risen more than 30 cents per gallon above the average price of 58.5 cents per gallon reported by USAir for the second quarter of 1990.

Each 1 cent increase equates to an annual cost of $13 million to USAir, which purchases about 1.3 billion gallons of jet fuel annually.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, 703-418-5100, or 213-417-1294 (Western Region)

-30- 911

#90257p4684 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ed Wilson has been named to the newly-created position of senior vice president, syndication, Columbia Pictures Television, it was announced today by Barry Thurston, president, syndication, to whom he will report.

Prior to joining Columbia, Wilson served six-and-a-half years at Paramount Domestic Television, the last three based in New York as vice president, Eastern regional manager.

In his new post, Wilson will oversee Columbia's syndication and basic cable sales efforts for its extensive library of off-network television series and feature film packages.

The newly-created position effectively restructures the reporting lines for Columbia's sales force, which previously was overseen directly by Thurston. Under the new structure, the company's regional sales offices will report to Wilson, allowing Thurston to concentrate on strategic planning and management oversight of the entire syndication division.

"Ed brings to Columbia more than a decade of hands-on syndication sales and management experience, in addition to background as a station executive," noted Thurston. "He has relationships with stations across the country, an intuitive understanding of the marketplace and a track record of obtaining competitive prices and time slots."

While at Paramount, Wilson spearheaded major market, East Coast sales for such highly-successful first-run launches as "Star Trek: The Next Generation," "Arsenio Hall," "Geraldo," "Joan Rivers" and "Hard Copy" and obtained critical renewals and upgrades for "Entertainment Tonight."

Wilson joined Paramount in 1985 as Southwestern division manager based in Dallas. He was promoted to vice president, Southern regional manager in 1986. During his stint in Dallas, he headed the regional sales efforts for the off-network launches of "Cheers," "Family Ties" and "Webster." Prior to joining Paramount, Wilson was sales manager for KATV, the ABC affiliate in Little Rock, Ark. In 1982, Wilson was named divisional manager, Midwest division for Viacom, where he previously served as account executive and sales trainee in the Southwest division.

He holds a bachelor of science degree in finance from the University of Arkansas.

Wilson will be based in the company's Burbank, Calif., office. Columbia Pictures Television is a Columbia Pictures Entertainment Company.

CONTACT: Chris Ender of Columbia Pictures Television, 213-460-7634

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ONTARIO, CALIF. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - United Parcel Service broke ground today for its new $53 million Ontario Hub.

The Ontario facility will combine an air express package sorting center serving the West Coast and a local ground delivery operation on 160 acres of land located adjacent to the Ontario airport. UPS will relocate its aircraft to a 50-acre concrete ramp for loading and unloading.

A 500,000-square-foot, one-story building for processing air packages and housing UPS delivery vehicles will also be constructed. Plans call for the new facility to begin operating in late 1992.

More than 1,400 people will be employed at the Ontario facility with an annual payroll in excess of $29 million.

According to Al Barnes, UPS Southeast California district manager, "This new facility will accommodate approximately 22 flights daily and process 40,000 packages per hour."

UPS's main air facility is located in Louisville, Ky. Besides Ontario, UPS operates other domestic air hubs in Dallas and Philadelphia.

Hong Kong serves as UPS's Pacific Rim hum while Cologne, West Germany handles European air sorting operations.

UPS, based in Greenwich, Conn., is a worldwide company serving all 50 states and more than 180 countries and territories. With a volume of 2.8 billion packages and documents in 1989, and revenue of more than $12 billion, UPS is the world's largest package delivery company.

CONTACT: Ken Churchill, 714-984-1045, or Bob Kenney, 203-862-6122, both of UPS

-30- 1682

#90257p4687 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael H. Blumenthal, a prominent expert in the field of scrap tire recycling and solid waste management, has been named executive director of the Rubber Manufacturers Association's new Scrap Tire Management Council, it was announced today.

Blumenthal will relocate to Washington from New York, where he formerly was a solid waste planner and project administrator with Malcolm Pirnie Inc., a

prestigious environmental engineering firm. He will assume his new post Oct. 1.

"We are fortunate to have someone of Mike Blumenthal's training and considerable experience for this important new position," said John R. Serumgard, vice president, RMA's Tire Division, in making the announcement. "His background will prove to be of great benefit in directing the Council's technical and marketing programs aimed at scrap tire disposition."

RMA is the national trade association of the tire and rubber industry, headquartered in Washington. It has 200 member and affiliate member companies that manufacture over 40,000 products.

Last June, the RMA board of directors established the Scrap Tire Management Council to launch a broad-based program to develop and promote the use of scrap tires as a valuable resources in an environmentally and economically sound manner.

In carrying out its five-year business plan, the Council plans to work with tire dealers, retreaders, recyclers, waste haulers and others on a range of scrap tire initiatives to foster greater recycling, reuse and recovery projects.

As a solid waste planner for Malcolm Pirnie Inc., Blumenthal prepared waste tire disposal plans for several cities nationwide, including a regional plan for the state of Ohio.

Prior to that, Blumenthal was associated with Oxford Energy Co., which operates the nation's only whole tire energy recovery facility, based in Westley, Calif. He assisted in preparing solid waste management permit applications for Oxford's original facility and its new waste tire-to-energy facility planned in Sterling, Conn.

CONTACT: Ed Lewis of the Rubber Manufacturers Association, 202-783-1022

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#90257p4708 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Genencor International today appointed Robert E. Leach president and chief executive officer, effective Oct. 1.

Leach previously served as vice president and general manager of technology and industrial enzymes at the company, one of the world's leading industrial biotechnology firms.

The company was formed in September 1989, as a joint venture between the bio-products divisions of Eastman Kodak Company and Cultor, Ltd., of Finland.

In March of this year the venture acquired Genencor, Inc., where Leach had served as president since its inception in 1982. The venture took the name Genencor International to capitalize on Genencor's world-renowned biotechnology research.

Leach succeeds Jose J. Coronas, who has been named vice president and general manager of Kodak's Clinical Products Division. In addition, Coronas will maintain a relationship with Genencor International as a member of its board of directors.

"Genencor International has already established itself as the industrial biotechnology company of the future," said Leach. "As a totally integrated company with international capabilities, we have tremendous opportunities before us. We will continue to move ahead aggressively in the areas we've targeted for growth."

Genencor International has focused its efforts on a broad spectrum of industrial enzymes and specialty chemicals. The company also is a major player in the field of diagnostic reagents, and has achieved global recognition with its Snomax snow inducer.

Leach began his career with Corning, Inc., and filled a series of marketing and general management positions, with an emphasis in new business management and strategic planning. There, he sponsored the original concept of an industrial biotechnology venture between Corning and Genentech, Inc., which was named Genencor, Inc.

Headquartered in Rochester, N.Y., Genencor International also has facilities in South San Francisco, Calif., and Schaumburg, Ill. In addition, the company has three manufacturing plants in Finland, as well as processing facilities at various sites in the United States. A new large-scale production facility, now under construction in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is expected to be on-line in 1991.

CONTACT: Larry E. Drumm of Genencor International, 716-256-5236

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ABBOTT PARK, ILL. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Abbott Laboratories (NYSE: ABT) today declared a quarterly common dividend of 21 cents per share.

This marks the 267th consecutive quarterly dividend to be paid by Abbott since 1924. The dividend will be payable on Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 15, 1990.

Abbott Laboratories is a worldwide manufacturer of health care products

employing some 42,000 people. In 1989, the company's sales and net earnings were $5.4 billion and $860 million, respectively, with earnings per share of $1.93.

CONTACT: Don Braakman, 708-937-1237 or Ellen Walvoord, 708-937-8943, both of Abbott Laboratories

-30- 869

#90257p4728 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - JMB Realty Trust (the trust) (NASDAQ: JMBRS) announced today that it notified the National Association of Securities Dealers to cease carrying quotes on the trust's shares on NASDAQ as of Oct. 1, 1990. As previously announced, on Nov. 7, 1988, the trust's shareholders adopted a plan of liquidation and termination (the plan) providing for the sale of the trust's real estate investments and the distribution of the trust's cash and proceeds of sale to the trust's shareholders.

The plan provided for the creation of, and the transfer of assets to, a liquidating trust (the liquidating trust) in the event the trust had not liquidated all of its assets within twenty-four months after the date of adoption of the plan. The trust plans to transfer its remaining assets to the liquidating trust on or before Nov. 6, 1990.

Beneficial interests in the liquidating trust will not be transferable. Oct. 1, 1990 has also been set as the record date for determining the identity of shareholders entitled to receive beneficial interests in the liquidating trust.

CONTACT: Jayne Schreibert of JMB Realty Corp., 312-440-4800 or 312-915-1926

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Texaco Inc. (NYSE: TX), on behalf of a subsidiary, Texaco Petroleum Maatschappij, Nederland, B.V., operating in China with Agip Overseas Ltd., Chevron Overseas Petroleum Limited and the Nanhai East Oil Corporation, announce that oil production commenced Sept. 13 in the Huizhou 21-1 offshore field.

This oil field, 160 kilometers (100 miles) southeast of Hong Kong, is the first commercial oil field in the Pearl River Mouth Basin of the South China Sea, and is operated by ACT Operators Group staffed by Texaco, Chevron and Agip. The field was jointly developed by Nanhai East Oil Corporation of the China National Offshore Oil Corporation; Texaco Petroleum Maatschappij, Nederland, B.V.; Agip Overseas Ltd.; and Chevron Overseas Petroleum, Ltd.. Texaco, Agip and Chevron each hold an equity interest in the field of 16.3 percent, with the China National Offshore Oil Corporation having a 51 percent interest.

Huizhou 21-1 field is expected to reach a peak production rate of about 30,000 barrels of oil per day (4,000 tonnes per day) in early 1991.

The field production facilities include a four-leg production and work-over drilling platform, pipelines between the platform and a single-point mooring system (SPM) with a 250,000 dead-weight-ton storage and processing tanker. The storage tanker can be disconnected through a buoyant turret mooring (BTM) system in case of an approaching typhoon. The oil is transferred from the storage tanker to shuttle tankers for transportation to terminal locations.

A second oil field, Huizhou 26-1, 24 kilometers (15 miles) southwest of the Huizhou 21-1 oil field, jointly being developed by Texaco, Agip, Chevron and the Nanhai East Oil Corporation, will begin production in September 1991, sharing the production facilities at the single-point mooring system and storage tanker with Huizhou 21-1 oil field.

Peak production from the combined oil fields is expected to occur in early 1992 at about 80,000 barrels of oil per day (10,700 tonnes per day).

CONTACT: Anita M. Larsen of Texaco, 914-253-4155

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#90257p4738 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - First Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: FFUT) announced today that it is expanding its board of directors to nine members and that Donne F. Fisher and Jon A. Salquist have been nominated for election to the new seats at the upcoming annual meeting of stockholders.

Fisher, who owns approximately 10 percent of First Federal's stock, is the senior vice president, treasurer and chief financial officer of Telecommunications Inc., a telecommunications company located in Denver.

Salquist is the president and chief executive officer of Vista Development Inc. a real estate development company located in Portland, Ore.

"The entire board of directors looks forward to working with Mr. Fisher and Mr. Salquist," Gerald R. Christensen, president of the Bank stated. "They are individuals of considerable business experience who will add to the institution."

First Federal has total assets of over $300 million and exceeds all applicable capital requirements.

CONTACT: Richard A. Fisher of First Federal Savings Bank, 801-366-2202

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#90257p4741 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
KANSAS CITY, MO. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Drue Jennings, president and chief executive officer of Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCPL) (NYSE: KLT), today sent the following letter to Wilson K. Cadman, chairman of the board and president of Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE):

"I am writing to ask your help in expediting the timely receipt by KCPL of the non-public information you offered to make available in your letter of September 11, 1990. Our advisers contacted yours early on September 12 to obtain the confidentiality agreement you referred to and as of this morning we have not yet received a draft.

"Since your board has authorized the furnishing of this information to us, we frankly cannot understand the delay. We are prepared to enter into a reasonable confidentiality agreement immediately provided that it does not inhibit our ability to pursue our current offer. I have instructed our legal advisers to deliver to your advisers this afternoon a form of confidentiality agreement we are prepared to execute today.

"Frankly, Wilson, your board's position as to the inadequacy of our $27 offer presents practical difficulties for KCPL. We view your board's willingness

to provide non-public information as a desirable first step. We need to explore with your people our analysis of the synergies which we expect to achieve in a number of areas, including reductions we can achieve together in the costs of generating electricity in a combined system, savings we can achieve in planning system expansions to meet future demand and other savings in joint costs which can be achieved consistent with our undertaking to honor existing labor and employment agreements and maintain existing levels of compensation and benefits. As we have repeatedly stated, we believe that no layoffs will result from the combination of our two companies.

"We need to know more about the values which your board sees that led to their conclusion as to the inadequacy of our offer. If additional values that we have not taken into account can be demonstrated and can benefit our shareholders, we are prepared to explore ways to reflect those additional values in a negotiated transaction. This process which we are anxious to begin can only benefit your shareholders and customers and it is a surprise and somewhat disquieting to us at KCPL that there has been such a delay in starting this process.

The tender offer is scheduled to expire today at 7 p.m., New York City time.

CONTACT: J. Turner White of Kansas City Power & Light, 816-556-2997, or Joele Frank of Adams & Rinehart, 212-557-0100, for Kansas City Power & Light

-30- 2873

#90257p4744 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Today is a "lost Friday" for millions of employees and their employers in California and the United States. If you're planning a story about this phenomenon -- in which nearly everyone in the country gets their paycheck on the same day -- you may want to know that Wells Fargo is in the midst of a campaign to promote direct deposit services to its branch customers. We can provide spokespeople to you, who can give you facts and figures on how this affects both employees and employers.

"Lost Fridays occur with some regularity. On those days, financial institutions everywhere are packed with people, who are taking extra time out of their workday to deposit their pay," says Sea Houston, executive vice president of Wells Fargo's checking account division. "Those people are losing time and their employers are losing productivity dollars worth an estimated $5 billion dollars a year."

The bank's campaign is aimed at encouraging its customers to ask their employers to use direct deposit of paychecks. "Direct deposit saves time for employees and employers, provides convenience -- which is a strong employee benefit, and gives employees immediate access to their money," says Houston. "We think it makes good business sense."

Currently, only 15 percent of American employees use direct deposit, compared to a 90 percent participation rate in Europe, according to the Calwestern Automated Clearing House Association (CACHA).

CONTACT: Kim Kellogg of Wells Fargo Bank, 415-396-3606

-30- 1738

#90257p4745 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Olympic Victor Enterprises Inc. (OV) today announces that it has agreed to acquire all of the outstanding shares of PRIME LASERTECH INC. (PRIME) a private California company, from Intelligence Integrators Inc. in exchange for 5,500,000 of OV's common shares. These shares will be performance escrowed, and earned at the rate of one share per $ 0.10 of audited after tax cash flow. OV intends to raise working capital to finance the growth of PRIME LASERTECH INC. through a private placement of 750,000 units at $0.10 per unit, each unit consisting of one OV common share, and a warrant to acquire an additional OV common share at $ 0.15 until March 1 1992.

It is the intention of OV to sell all of its bingo related assets to Victor Vaseleniuk after the purchase of PRIME LASERTECH INC., and to continue only in Prime's business in the future.

PRIME LASERTECH INC. has developed a line of equipment based on laser diode microtechnology. This technology has multi-market applications and to date acceptance. PRIME's systems are sold to law enforcement surveillance users, to audio-visual markets, and to recreational gun owners through firearm stores.

In the surveillance market, the company's potential clients 3/8include police departments, SWAT teams in major U.S. metropolitan centres, the Drug Enforcement Agency, FBI, U.S. Marshals Office, RCMP, Canada and U.S. Customs. PRIME has also received product enquiries from law enforcement agencies in Europe. The law enforcement products include "Viper" an infra-red video periscope that contains a transmitter with a camera that is mounted on an extendable stalk for seeing around corners or into attics and basements in conditions of no light (zero lux). The video signal from the Viper is capable of being broadcast up to 1.5 miles from the investigation scene to a control centre or for recording to be used as evidence. To date the Viper is in use by the LAPD SWAT team, and several U.S. police departments. Viper has generated significant interest since it was introduced at recent law enforcement equipment shows.

Law enforcement buyers have also been excited by PRIME's "LaserCam," a zero lux video camera which, using invisible laser light illuminates a subject in total darkness to photograph the target as if the images were taken in broad daylight. The LaserCam camera, which itself is only 4" long by 1.5" square, can be fitted with a telephoto lens to extend its useful range. This camera

is now in use by the DEA and other agencies.

CONTACT: Robert A. Paul, president of PRIME LASERTECH INC., 714-586-9131

-30- 2844

#90257p4746 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

OWENSBORO, KY. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Kentucky Gas Co. (WKG) announced today that the Kentucky Public Service Commission (KPSC) has granted an annual rate increase of $1.018 million or 1 percent overall in its natural gas rates, effective immediately.

The company had applied for an annual increase of $8.9 million, or an overall increase of 8 percent, on Feb. 13, 1990. The increase was the first sought by WKG since 1986. The rate filing was made because of the need to restructure rates, recover increased operating and maintenance expenses and earn a reasonable return on plant additions.

"The company is currently evaluating the commission's order. I am encouraged by the KPSC's recognition of the need to restructure our rates. However, the company disagrees with the overall amount granted and the treatment given some of the major items in the case. We are exploring our options, including filing a motion for rehearing," said WKG President Earl Fischer.

The company has 20 days to file a motion for a rehearing. The commission's independent management audit of the company completed earlier this year cited WKG as one of the best managed and lowest cost providers of natural gas service in Kentucky. WKG was also cited as having the lowest number of customer inquiries of any utility in the Commonwealth. However, Fischer said the company is concerned about the impact of the order on the company's ability to continue to provide high quality service to its customers.

WKG serves approximately 150,000 customers in the western two-thirds of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. WKG is a division of Atmos Energy Corporation (NYSE: ATO) of Dallas.

CONTACT: Jay Carnahan of Western Kentucky Gas, 502-685-8006.

-30- 1913

#90257p4749 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Torotel, Inc. (AMEX: TTL), the manufacturer of magnetic electronic components, today announced the company experienced increases in all key performance measures for the three months ended July 31, 1990.

Net Sales Up 22 Percent; Net Earnings Increase Nearly 22 Times Net sales for the first quarter rose 22 percent to $2.6 million from $2.2 million for the

same period last year. Operating earnings jumped to $248,000, a 151 percent increase from the $99,000 shown in last year's first quarter. Net earnings for the latest quarter were $175,000 or 6 cents per share, a more than 2,000 percent increase from $8,000, equal to zero cents per share, for the prior year.

Financial Condition Continued to Improve Measures of Torotel's financial condition also showed improvement. The company's current ratio was 3.0 at the close of the quarter, compared with 2.7 a year ago. Torotel's debt-to-equity ratio was 2.2:1 at July 31, 1990, compared with 2.7:1 for the same date in 1989. Stockholders' equity increased 8 percent in the latest quarter of $1,895,000. The company cut its short-term debt nearly 40 percent to $151,000 and decreased its interest expense by 11 percent due to a lower aggregate debt level.

Higher Shippable Backlog Brought Operational Advances Commenting on the quarter, Alfred F. Marsh, Torotel's president, said, "Our sales increase came from a higher backlog at the beginning of the quarter: $6.7 million compared with $4.9 million at the beginning of last year. Torotel's backlog was higher because of the competitive pricing strategies we developed in the latter part of fiscal 1989, which have helped us increase our market share. Backlog continued to grow throughout the quarter, reaching $7.2 million at July 31, 1990, an 8 percent increase since the beginning of this fiscal year and a 22 percent rise from the $5.9 million we had at July 31, 1989.

"Although the first quarter's mix yielded lower profit margins, this was largely offset by higher sales volume," Marsh added. "We expect gross margins will improve during the course of fiscal 1991."

Fiscal 1991 Results Should Exceed Fiscal 1990's "The 6 cents per share we earned in the first quarter is nearly half of the 13 cents we saw for the whole of last fiscal year," Marsh explained. "We expect our performance this year will easily overshadow fiscal 1990 for a number of reasons. First, because of the situation in the Middle East, we are receiving requests from many Department of Defense contractors to step up production. We also are building more customer-financed prototypes for new, advanced missile programs, with production requirements imminent. As a result, our backlog will remain strong. Second, we are seeing a pattern of larger orders. One example is the $2.3 million contract we received from Rockwell International after the close of the first quarter. This represents the first installment on a four-year contract. Shipments already have begun on this project, which represents 25 percent of our total revenues for fiscal 1990. Third, the product line we acquired last year has generated a lot of interest among and orders from existing and new customers. This line will make a significant contribution to revenues and earnings in fiscal 1991.

"All of these factors reinforce the two points we have maintained all along: that cuts in defense spending will not have a major impact on Torotel and that

defense electronics will gain a larger share of the remaining defense budget, offering plenty of opportunities for Torotel to grow," Marsh concluded.

Torotel, Inc. specializes in the design and high-volume manufacture of a broad line of precision magnetic components used in military and industrial electronic systems. These components, which include transformers, chokes and toroidal coils, are sold to original equipment manufacturers for use in such programs as avionic equipment, marine communication and navigation, telecommunications and weapons fire control systems. The company has a customer base of more than 400 companies and over 85 percent of its sales are for defense applications.

CONTACT: Al Marsh, president of Torotel president, 816-761-6314, or Lynne Franklin or Holly Goldin, 312-266-7800, or Regina Ryan, 212-661-8030, all of the Financial Relations Board, for Torotel

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#90257p4751 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Texaco Inc. (NYSE: TX) announced today that the quarterly dividend rate on its Series C preferred stock for the period from Oct. 1 to Dec. 31, 1990, will be 8.60 percent.

The Series C preferred stock incorporates a variable dividend rate which is reset quarterly. The dividend rate is based upon the highest prevailing yields of the three U.S. Treasury maturities (three-month, 10-year and 30-year), less 0.375 percent.

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TULSA, OK (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - ONEOK Resources Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of ONEOK Inc., (NYSE: OKE) has entered into a joint exploration agreement with Helmerich & Payne Inc., (NYSE: HP) Tulsa, for the purpose of drilling and developing prospects for oil and gas in the Arkoma Basin of Eastern Oklahoma.

The primary prospects will be in Pittsburg, Haskell, Latimer, and LeFlore Counties, as well as others.

Helmerich & Payne will serve as operator of the program with ONEOK owning a 30 percent interest. The agreement, effective July 16, calls for joint activities over a two-year period.

The first well under the program is currently drilling.

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#90257p4776 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - BankAtlantic (NASDAQ-NMS: ASAL) branches in seven Broward locations will serve as collection points for clean blankets which will be distributed to homeless individuals in Broward County. Currently, an estimated 4,900 individuals are homeless in Broward County. The BankAtlantic Blanket Drive for the Homeless begins Monday, Sept. 17 and continues through the end of October.

The BankAtlantic Drive is being conducted in cooperation with The Broward Coalition fro the Homeless and Volunteer Broward. The goal of the Blanket Drive is to collect 20,000 blankets.

Blankets may be dropped off at the following BankAtlantic banking offices in Broward County:

South Andrews Office
1601 South Andrews Ave.
Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
North Andrews Office
4295 North Andrews Ave.
Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
Sunrise Office
1750 East Sunrise Blvd.
Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
Hollywood
4351 Hollywood Blvd.
Hollywood, Fla.
Tamarac
5600 North University Drive
Tamarac, Fla.
McNab
1501 South Federal Highway
Pompano Beach, Fla. Galt Office
3564 North Ocean Blvd. Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Headquartered in Fort Lauderdale, BankAtlantic has assets of $1.9 billion and operates 46 banking offices in Broward, Palm Beach and Dade counties.

CONTACT: Sandy Carr of BankAtlantic, A Federal Savings Bank, 305-760-5316

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ANAHEIM, CA (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Distributed Logic Corporation (NASDAQ: DLOG) today announced quarterly financial results for the third quarter of its fiscal year.

Consolidated revenues for the three months ended July 31, 1990, totaled $10,955,513, a 14.3 percent decrease from the $12,780,664 reported for the third quarter of the previous year. The company reported a loss for the current period of $482,749, versus a profit of $7,229 in the prior year's comparable quarter. On a per share basis, this amounted to a $.19 loss per

share for 1990, as compared to a $.01 profit per share in 1989.

Consolidated revenues for the nine months ended July 31, 1990, totaled $33,415,430, a 12 percent decrease from the $37,923,381 reported for the comparable period of the prior year. The company reported a loss of $2,163,447 or $.86 per share for the current period, versus a profit of $34,315 or $.03 per share for the nine months ended July 31, 1989.

"Our bottom line third quarter results were disappointing due to a soft order rate encountered in the late spring, which has subsequently improved," commented Glenn C. Salley, DILOG chairman and chief executive officer. "These numbers reflect continued competitive pressures on our sales volume and a shortage of working capital," he added. "Reduced gross margins were offset by a $400,000 reduction in overall operating expenses over the prior period, due to cost cuts made in prior quarters.

"Our continued high level of interest-bearing debt significantly impacted the quarter, as interest expense increased from $282,918 in fiscal 1989 to $515,238 in the current fiscal quarter," he said. "Foreign currency gains of $351,042 for the current quarter of 1990 compare favorably with a loss of $73,122 for the third quarter of 1989.

"During the quarter we signed two significant technology acquisition agreements and entered into a joint development effort with a major university " Salley added. "We expect these agreements to provide the basis for product range and market breadth increases over the coming quarters.

"As indicated previously, management is diligently pursuing solutions on several fronts that will increase the company's working capital and reduce its interest-bearing debt," he concluded. "These efforts, if successful, will improve gross margins in the future, as our product mix improves, and allow us to take advantage of higher volume discounts in our OEM purchases."

DISTRIBUTED LOGIC CORPORATION
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	7/31/90	7/31/89	7/31/90	7/31/89
Net sales	$10,955,513	$12,780,664	$33,415,430	$37,923,381
Cost of sales	7,267,546	7,924,882	21,921,458	23,485,882
Gross profit	3,687,967	4.855,782	11,493,972	14,437,499
Operating expenses:				
Selling	2,103,171	2,507,950	6,538,156	7,519,948
Engineering & development	889,282	668,025	2,271,015	2,117,643
General & administrative	1,054,486	1,275,509	3,441,571	3,891,084
Total operating				

expenses	4,046,939	4,451,484	12,250,742	13,528,675
Operating income (loss)	(358,972)	404,298	(756,770)	908,824
Non-operating items:				
Interest expense	515,238	282,918	1,448,048	807,283
Interest income net of other items	(40,419)	41,029	(18,400)	152,167
Foreign currency (gain) loss	(351,042)	73,122	(52,971)	(84,941)
Total non-operating items	123,777	397,069	1,376,677	874,509
Income (loss) before income taxes	(482,749)	7,229	(2,133,447)	34,315
Provision for income taxes	---	---	30,000	---
Net income (loss)	($482,749)	$7,229	($2,163,447)	$34,315
Earnings (loss) per common & equivalent shares	($.19)	$.01	($.86)	$.03
Weighted average number of common & equivalent shares	2,507,228	2,794,687	2,507,228	2,704,216

CONTACT: Glenn C. Salley, Chairman & CEO, or John F. Wilson, President & COO, both of Distributed Logic Corporation, 714-937-5700

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#90257p4791 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROADVIEW, IL. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Bosch Group, through Robert Bosch Corporation, has acquired the operations of Airflow Research and Manufacturing Corporation of Watertown, Mass., and the related Airflow Products Division of Molmec, Inc. in Belleville, Mich.

Airflow designs, manufactures and distributes air movement systems for automobile engine cooling. Its products include automobile radiator cooling fan assemblies, alternator fans, air conditiong fans and computer cooling fans. Airflow employs 200 people in its engineering facility in Watertown and the production facility in Belleville. 1989 sales were approximately $40 million.

This acquisition complements the Bosch Group's activities in the field of motor vehicle blowers. Engine cooling and heater blowers are produced by the Bosch Group's Automotive Equipment Division responsible for bodywork electric and electronic products. This division and BG Automotive Motors, Inc., Hendersonville, Tenn., a joint venture with General Electric Company, build motors used in connection with these systems.

Robert Bosch Corporation, the U.S. subsidiary of Robert Bosch GmbH, employs more than 5,000 people at subsidiaries and affiliates in 23 cities and 15 states. In 1989, Bosch sales in the United States exceeded $1 billion.

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#90257p4795 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CA. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Marrow-Tech Inc. (NASDAQ: MAROA) reported, as expected, a net loss of $1.4 million for the second quarter ending July 31, 1990. Total net loss for the first half of the fiscal year ending July 31, 1990 was $2.5 million. Arthur J. Benvenuto, chairman, president and chief executive officer of the company noted that "the results for the second quarter and the first half of year were anticipated. They reflect further development of our manufacturing processes and facilities in preparation for commercialization of the company's first product this year." In corresponding periods of the last fiscal year, the company reported a net loss of $1 million and $1.8 million respectively.

The new loss per share was 9 cents and 11 cents for the three months ended July 31, 1990 and 1989, respectively, and 17 cents and 19 cents for the six months ended July 31, 1990 and 1989, respectively. The lower loss per share in the current fiscal year reflects additional shares outstanding in 1990 from the exercise of the company's Class A Warrants in late 1989.

As previously reported, Marrow-Tech is actively pursuing applications of its core technology and anticipates introducing its first product, a toxicology screening kit in the current fiscal year. The kit will contain cultured human skin tissue, and will be used to test the toxicities of various cosmetic, pharmaceutical and chemical compounds. In August, the company filed in Investigational Device Exemption with the Food and Drug Administration for the company's dermal replacement product. Approval of the application will allow the company to begin clinical trials of the dermal replacement product with burn patients.

Marrow-Tech is engaged in the growth of human tissue outside the body. The company believes that its proprietary tissue culture system has a number of potential therapeutic and laboratory applications. To date, the company has successfully grown skin, bone marrow and liver tissue.

CONTACT: Rand P. Mulford, VP finance of Marrow-Tech, 619-450-5726

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#90257p4797 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Genesee Corporation (NASDAQ: GENBB) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend

of 30 cents per share, payable Oct. 1, 1990 to class A and B shareholders of record Sept. 25, 1990.

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#90257p4802 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - United Press International, responding to the industry's desire for new and different reports at ever-lower costs, said today it is creating new editorial services by shifting resources to areas of greatest interest to clients, increasing staff in some editorial units while reducing others and expanding alliances with other media.

UPI Executive Vice President-Editorial Operations Pieter VanBennekom said: "Extensive editorial changes are now possible, thanks to UPI's Aug. 29 switchover to our new worldwide computer system in Virginia, replacing the Dallas system after a two-and-a-half year, multimillion- dollar development effort. The new system gives us vastly more flexibility and speed in communicating with an increased number of news sources, and breaks a long-standing communications logjam that hampered efforts to provide reports tailored to individual clients' needs."

"These changes enhance UPI editors' ability to direct more than 3,000 current staff members and stringer-correspondents they command in the United States, alone," he continued. "We are now free to concentrate UPI's most talented staffers and editors on producing news reports that bring sharply into focus the significance of the events we report."

"Our accelerated operational and organizational changes are a direct result of feedback from UPI clients and other media," VanBennekom said. UPI provides news and information to more than 3,100 news media outlets worldwide.

"A primary goal of this initiative is to position us to expand our editorial services for each of the 50 states," VanBennekom said, "Editorial enterprise is the cornerstone of this plan. The other key element calls for UPI to be a major value-added editorial supplier of specialized news and information reports developed by UPI allies," he explained.

VanBennekom emphasized UPI's unfolding editorial plan calls for staff increases in UPI sports and business-finance units. Within the core editorial unit, meanwhile, some staff members not chosen for priority assignments are being dismissed.

"These strategic chances are essential to the growth of UPI in the 1990s as we respond to wrenching changes in the news media marketplace," he added.

Under the plan, UPI is increasing coverage through editorial joint ventures

and use of subcontractors. UPI is emphasizing interpretative reporting of breaking news and trends, and producing more stories and background information on such focal points as defense, economics, lifestyles and demographics, healthcare and the environment.

UPI is owned by Infotechnology, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ITCH), the New York City-based information and communications company that also owns 47 percent of Financial News Network Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FNNI).

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#90257p4803 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUTTE, MONT. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Montana Power Co. (MPC) (NYSE: MTP) today was granted a $6.3 million annual increase in natural gas revenues on an interim basis by the Montana Public Service Commission (PSC), the company announced. MPC filed June 27 for a total increase of $9.6 million in natural gas revenues, and requested a $5.6 million interim increase. The interim order exceeds the company's request principally because the Commission allowed recovery of tax settlement amounts which were not requested in the interim filing.

On Aug. 29, the PSC authorized a $30.5 million interim revenue increase for MPC's electric utility. The company had asked for $30.6 million of its total $60.7 million electric request on an interim basis.

Both increases were effective immediately. PSC rules require that interim rate increase requests be calculated in accordance with the Commission's most recent final order and that the rate impact of controversial issues be removed. The interim increases were granted pending a final determination in the company's general rate increase request, subject to refund with interest should the final increases allowed be less than the interim increase. A final order is expected in June 1991.

CONTACT: Russell J. Cox of Montana Power Co., 406-723-5421, ext. 2240

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#90257p4804 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Virginia Retirement System (VRS) and CSX Corp. (NYSE: CSX) announced today that they had proposed to RF&P Corp. (RF&P) (NASDAQ: RFPCK) a transaction initiated by the VRS in which CSX would acquire RF&P's railroad operations in exchange for a portion of its RF&P shares and the VRS would acquire CSX's remaining shares, in both cases for $35 per share.

In addition and subject to favorable government rulings, the proposal includes a self-tender by RF&P for a portion of its shares not held by CSX or VRS at $35 per share in cash.

RF&P is a Virginia-based holding company which owns RF&P Railroad Co. and RF&P Properties Inc. RF&P has approximately 17.6 million shares outstanding. CSX Corp. controls, through an affiliate, 62.7 percent of RF&P's voting shares and 38 percent of RF&P's total shares, including dividend obligations. VRS is the second largest independent shareholder of RF&P owning approximately 28 percent of the combined voting and non- voting shares.

This transaction as initiated by VRS is subject to the approval of RF&P's board of directors and the board of directors of CSX and trustees of VRS. It is also subject to the execution of definitive agreements among all parties and customary due diligence. The transaction will also require certain governmental rulings and approvals and an appropriate shareholder vote, but would not require approval by the Virginia legislature.

Over the past several months, VRS has sought to enhance its investment in RF&P. To achieve this goal, VRS recently proposed a transaction to CSX which involved the following parts:

1. VRS would support an exchange of the stock of a newly formed RF&P subsidiary which will hold the railroad operating assets of the Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac Railroad, exclusive of property not needed for railroad purposes, to CSX for $135 million, which would be paid by exchange of approximately 3.9 million shares of RF&P dividend obligations valued at $35 per share.

2. VRS would buy CSX's remaining RF&P shares for $35 per share in cash. 3. Subject to favorable government rulings, RF&P would make a self- tender for a portion of its shares not owned by VRS and CSX at $35 per share in cash.

After CSX indicated that the basic framework of VRS's proposal was acceptable to it, they jointly presented the plan to RF&P.

As contemplated, the proposed transaction would result in RF&P retaining all of its real estate and transferring to CSX only its railroad operations in a tax-free transaction. RF&P directors affiliated with CSX would resign and the VRS would become the largest RF&P shareholder.

CONTACT: Thomas E. Hoppin of CSX, 804-782-1449, or Glen D. Pond of VRS, 804-786-3831, or Susan H. Buffington of RF&P, 804-257-3386

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#90257p4809 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal International, Inc. announced

today that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the sale of 975,000 shares of its new common stock, $.05 par value. The shares will be sold to the public through an underwriting group headed by Craig-Hallum, Inc. Of the shares being offered, 925,000 shares will be sold by the company and 50,000 shares by one shareholder. The company expects the offering to become available to the public in mid-October, at a price of $6 per share.

Immediately prior to and contingent upon the consummation of the offering, the company's currently outstanding Class A voting and Class B non-voting stock will be converted into the new common stock, which will have full voting rights, and a 4-for-1 stock split will be effected. After giving effect to the conversion and stock split, the company will have 2,392,000 shares of new common stock outstanding prior to the offering and 3,317,000 after the offering.

Minneapolis-based Universal International is one of the nation's largest buyers and sellers of quality "close-out" merchandise.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This notice shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

Copies of the preliminary Prospectus are available through Win Holland, Craig-Hallum, Inc., 10th Floor, 701 Fourth Ave. So., Minneapolis, MN 55415-1655.

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#90257p4810 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Federal Bank (NYSE: SFB) was the leading home mortgage lender in the four-county area of Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Washtenaw for the month of June, as well as the first six months of 1990.

According to Lawyer's Title Insurance Company, Standard Federal recorded 1,417 residential mortgage loans of $250,000 and under for a total of $76,210,475 for the month of June. The bank recorded a total of $444,044,604 for the first six months, which was more than the combined total of its next two

closest competitors.

Residential Mortgage Recordings January-June 1990	
Standard Federal Bank	$444,044,604
Comerica	$230,923,666
First Federal of Michigan	$194,417,352

"Standard Federal continues to be one of the Midwest's leading home mortgage lenders," noted Thomas R. Ricketts, president and chairman of Standard Federal. "Our competitive interest rates, fast approvals and flexible financing alternatives help us maintain our competitive edge."

Standard Federal Bank, headquartered in Troy, has assets of approximately $9.7 billion and operates 115 branches throughout Michigan and Indiana.

CONTACT: William R. Yaw Jr. of Standard Federal Bank, 313-643-9600, or in Michigan, 800-482-3930, or in Indiana, 800-874-3716

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#90257p4815 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST BRUNSWICK, N.J. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Specialty Retail Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: SRSI), announced today the signing of a letter of intent for the asset acquisition of a "professional" hair care manufacturer.

Murray Steinfink, CEO, stated, "while this acquisition is not a significant financial transaction for the company, it represents an important step in our corporate strategic objective of becoming a major vertical integrated beauty products company. The products lines acquired will be merged into our Zachi International marketing organization enhancing sales internationally while minimizing costs."

Specialty Retail Services, Inc. is a marketer of a broad range of professional beauty products, including hair care, nail care, cosmetics, skin care, and other beauty accessories to salons, independent and chain drug stores, supermarkets, mass merchandisers, warehouse clubs and other retail distributors. Specialty Retail Services, Inc. completed its initial public offering of common stock in August 1989.

CONTACT: Murray Steinfink, CEO of Specialty Retail Service, 201-390-1050

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#90257p4820 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELKIN, N.C. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Brendle's Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: BRDL), an upscale discount department store headquartered in Elkin, N.C., announces the Grand Opening at 10 a.m., September 21st of its new Greenville, S.C., store

located in the Crosspointe Plaza Shopping Center at 840 Wood's Crossing Road. This new location replaces the Congaree Road store and will feature the new raceway design for ease of shopping.

The store manager for the new Crosspointe Plaza store will be Mr. John Mitchell, the former manager of the Congaree Road store.

Brendle's also has a store located on Wade Hampton Boulevard in Taylors, S.C., managed by Mr. J.P. Stevens, for your shopping convenience.

This new Greenville, S.C. store will be the eleventh of sixteen new stores Brendle's will open during its aggressive 1990 campaign, bringing their total to 59 stores throughout North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee and Georgia.

Brendle's, Inc. is a public company traded over the counter under the symbol BRDL.

CONTACT: Dave Brendle of Brendle's Incorporated, 919-526-5600

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#90257p4822 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - American Barrick Resources Corporation (NYSE: ABX) announced today that its board of directors have declared a dividend of (CDN) five cents per common share payable Dec. 17, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 30.

American Barrick's shares are traded on the Toronto, Montreal, and New York stock exchanges, the Paris Bourse, and the Swiss stock exchanges (ABR).

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#90257p4827 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBORO, MASS. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Data General Corporation (NYSE: DGN) announced today that it has settled, subject to court approval, both the Malanka vs. Data General class action suit and the derivative Lewis vs. de Castro suit. Both were filed in 1985.

In both cases, the company and certain of its officers and directors had been named as defendants.

The company said that the conclusion of the suits will have no adverse effect on its business or have any significant impact on its financial condition. Neither the company nor any of the individual defendants admitted any liability.

The overall settlement of both cases will involve payments of an aggregate of $6 million, a portion of which will be covered by insurance.

"We are pleased to be able to bring this longstanding litigation to a close on reasonable terms" said Data General President Ronald L. Skates.

In an unrelated matter, Data General confirmed that a class action suit has been brought against the company and its board of directors by a plaintiff, purportedly representing the company's shareholders.

The suit was filed in the U.S. District Court in Boston and alleges that Data General made misleading statements about the state of its business earlier this year. The company said that the suit is without merit and believes it will not have any material effect on its business or financial condition.

CONTACT: Jim Dunlap of Data General, 508-870-8162

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#90257p4829 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Detroit Edison today announced record monthly electricity sales to the industrial sector of 1.7 billion kilowatthours (kWh) in August, up 6 percent from a year ago.

The all-time monthly sales record was set through the addition of 76 new industrial customers during the past year, combined with a longer billing period in August, to offset declining sales to automotive and steel producers.

Total August sales of 3.7 billion kWh were down slightly, 0.6 percent, from a year ago.

Residential sales of 1 million kWh were down 7 percent from last August, despite an additional 21,500 customers. Cooler temperatures, which resulted in reduced air conditioning usage, contributed to the decrease.

August sales to commercial customers of 772 million kWh were the second highest for any August in the company's history, up 0.2 percent from a year ago. An increase of 3,300 commercial customers in Detroit Edison's southeastern Michigan service area contributed to the continued growth in commercial sales.

CONTACT: Martin L. Bufalini II, 313-237-8808, or Lorie N. Kessler, 313-237-8807, both of Detroit Edison

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#90257p4837 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH ANDOVER, MASS. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Software Services of America, Inc. (NASDAQ: SSOA), today announced year-end results for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

The net loss for fiscal 1990 was $1,900,750 or 85 cents per share on revenues of $1,808,724 vs. net income of $231,610 or 11 cents per share on revenues of $6,067,638 reported in fiscal 1989.

The substantial net loss in fiscal 1990 was due to the decline in sales and increase in expenses experienced during the transition in the company's product and marketing direction. In the past, the company has focused on the sale of its proprietary software sold separately and as part of a complete system with IBM's 4700 financial communication systems equipment. Over the past year and a half the company has been developing a new Branch Automation System for IBM's personal computer-based Consumer Transaction System.

Accordingly, the company considers the fiscal 1990 loss a reflection of its significant investment in its future product and marketing direction and not indicative of any adverse trend. The company has projected that first quarter 1991 results should be at or near break even or profitable.

Software Services of America, Inc. is a developer of electronic banking software, supporting branch automation and retail funds transfer systems, utilizing mainframe computers, financial terminal systems and personal computers.

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#90257p4840 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANHAM, MD (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Schwartz Brothers, Inc. (NASDAQ: SWAR A), one of the nation's leading independent distributors of audio and video home entertainment software, reported net income for the second quarter ended July 31, 1990, of $52,538 or $.03 per share on revenues of $26,283,029 compared to $164,885 or $.09 per share on revenues of $21,549,578 in the same period last year.

For the first half, net income was $182,449 or $.10 per share on revenues of $56,172,088 compared to $271,907 or $.15 per share on revenues of $45,232,640 in the first six months of the previous year.

Results for the second quarter reflect an increased provision for doubtful accounts related to certain retail customers, higher interest expenses and increased overhead costs. Schwartz Brothers officials said they are pleased with the continuing increase in revenues, particularly in light of this year's economic climate. Based on results to date, the company is optimistic about

revenues gains for the year ending Jan. 31, 1991.

In a major step to improve profitability, the company announced that Patrick A. Labriola, former treasurer of Woodward & Lothrop, a leading department store chain, has become senior vice president of operations and chief financial officer of Schwartz Brothers, Inc. Labriola is responsible for finance, operations, information services and human resources. "We believe that Pat Labriola's experience and knowledge will help provide the financial and administrative controls which are so essential to make our operations more efficient and enable us to continue our expansion," according to Stuart and James Schwartz, chairman and president, respectively.

Schwartz Brothers, Inc., headquartered in Lanham, Md., in the Washington, D.C. area, has offices in Atlanta, serving the southeast; Cleveland serving the midwest; Cherry Hill and West Caldwell, N.J., serving the northeast and the Middle Atlantic states. Its common stock is traded over-the-counter (NASDAQ symbol SWAR A).

SCHWARTZ BROTHERS, INC.
Consolidated Statement of Earnings
(Unaudited)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Six Months	
July 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$26,283,029	$21,549,578	$56,172,088	$45,232,640
Net earnings	52,538	164,885	182,449	271,907
Earnings per share	$.03	$.09	$.10	$.15

CONTACT: Schwartz Brothers, Inc., public relations, 301-459-8000

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#90257p4841 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHANTILLY, VA. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Fairchild Industries Inc. today reported sales of $124 million and $442 million for the fourth quarter and fiscal year 1990 periods ended June 30, 1990.

Net earnings from continuing operations are $6.2 million for the quarter and $14.6 million for the 12-month periods ended June 30, 1990. All three business segments made strong contributions to sales and earnings in the fourth quarter as well as for the year. In addition, sales and earnings benefitted from the inclusion of the Specialty Fasteners Division in the fiscal year 1990 periods subsequent to the merger with Banner Industries (NYSE: BNR) in August 1989. (The Specialty Fasteners Division was contributed to the company by Banner Industries as part of the merger.)

Fairchild changed its fiscal year-end as of June 30, 1989, as a result of the merger, therefore the prior year fiscal period is a six-month period. Sales were $81 million and $158 million for the quarter and six-month periods ended

June 30, 1989. Net losses were reported in the prior year fourth quarter of $12.8 million and $11.1 million for the six month period principally due to the restructuring and acquisition costs incurred during these periods.

The following table presents financial information for the quarters and the 12-month and six-month periods ended June 30, 1990, and June 30, 1989, respectively.

Fairchild will file its annual report on Form 10-K with the Securities & Exchange Commission by the close of business on Sept. 28, 1990. Copies of Form 10-K will be available upon written request to the Corporate Secretary, Fairchild Industries Inc., P.O. Box 10803, Chantilly, Va., 22021.

Fairchild is a subsidiary of Banner Industries Inc. with interests in aerospace fasteners, tooling for plastics and communications services. The company's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (FEN PrA).

FAIRCHILD INDUSTRIES INC.
Consolidated Operating Results
(In thousands)

	Three months ended		12 months ended	Six months ended
	Successor(A) June 30, 1990	Predecessor(A) June 30, 1989	Successor(A) June 30,1990	Predecessor(A) June 30, 1989
Sales	$124,314	$80,602	$442,384	$157,997
Pretax Earnings from continuing operations	11,836	(22,829)	29,714	(23,590)
Income Tax Provision (benefit)	5,608	(8,778)	15,066	(9,019)
Net Earnings from continuing operations	6,228	(14,051)	14,648	(14,571)
Earnings from discontinued operations	--	1,258	--	3,458
Net Earnings	6,228	(12,793)	14,648	(11,113)

(A) The consolidated operating results for the three-month and 12-month periods ended June 30, 1990, are labeled as Successor Company to indicate the new basis of accounting. Information in the prior periods are labeled as Predecessor Company.

CONTACT: Brig. Gen. H.R. Johnson USAF (Ret.) of Fairchild Industries, 703-478-5807/

-30- 3530

#90257p4842 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Systems & Computer Technology Corp. (NASDAQ: SCTC) (SCT), a computing management and applications software company today announced that it will increase its reserves for doubtful accounts by approximately $700,000, the majority of which is to cover a delinquent account in its Puerto Rican operations.

The company said it is no longer providing computing and administrative services to a former client in Puerto Rico that has not paid for certain services previously rendered by the company.

"We regret having controversies with any of our clients," said Eric Haskell, senior vice president-finance and administration, and chief financial officer. "However, we are determined to protect the company's financial interests, and we intend to take vigorous action to collect this money. While we cannot predict the outcome of these situations, SCT's balance sheet continues to be strong, even with the addition of these reserves."

SCT also said that it is continuing to consider repurchases of its common stock, depending on market conditions and price. The company has recently repurchased a total of 95,000 shares of stock. The purchases will be funded from available cash.

SCT is a leading provider of computing management services and applications software for educational institutions and government jurisdictions nationwide. The company is headquartered at 4 Country View Road, Malvern, Pa., 19355.

CONTACT: Eric Haskell, senior vice president of SCT, 215-640-5175

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#90257p4846 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) has opened an office in Laguna Hills, Calif., offering Kodak electronic components that can be linked to computer systems for managing images and data.

According to Michael Lebeda, Western district sales manager for components in Kodak's Imaging Information Systems marketing unit, the new sales office will target systems integrators and value-added resellers of computer products. Lebeda's district includes the states of California, Alaska, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Washington, and the Canadian province of British Columbia.

Components offered include two optical-disk storage products:

-- The Kodak optical disk system 6800, which provides high-volume image and data storage on 14-inch write-once, read-many (WORM) disks. The system includes media, disk drives and automated

disk libraries.

-- The Kodak automated disk library, model 560, which stores any combination of up to 61 5 1/4-inch WORM or erasable disks in a compact 3-square-foot cabinet.

In addition, Lebeda said the office will provide other components for electronic imaging and information systems on a phase-in basis.

Systems integrators or value-added resellers should contact Michael Lebeda of Eastman Kodak, 25251 Paseo de Alicia, Suite 200, Laguna Hills, Calif., 92653, 714-454-1198.

CONTACT: Jeanne K. Eason of Eastman Kodak Company, 716-724-1630

-30- 1664

#90257p4848 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Global Income Plus Fund, Inc. (NYSE: GLI), a closed-end management investment company seeking current income and capital appreciation through investments in U.S. and foreign debt securities, today announced its performance for the period ended July 31, 1990, the third quarter of its 1990 fiscal year.

During the quarter ended July 31, 1990, the Fund's earnings from net investment income were $6,314,104, equal to $0.25 per share. Net realized and unrealized gains were $14,594,963, equal to $0.59 per share for the same period. This compares to net investment income of $6,283,613, equal to $0.25 per share, and net realized and unrealized losses of $1,962,597, equal to $0.08 per share, incurred during the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

Year-to date, the Fund's earnings from net investment income were $18,285,698, equal to $0.74 per share. Total net realized and unrealized gains were $13,702,225, equal to $0.55 per share. This compares to net investment income of $18,105,825, equal to $0.74 per share, and total net realized and unrealized losses of $7,745,889, equal to $0.31 per share, for the same nine month period ended July 31, 1989.

On July 31, 1990 total net assets of the Fund were $240,254,144. The net asset value per share was $9.74 based on 24,668,715 shares outstanding. After adjusting for the dividend of $0.25 paid on July 27, 1990, the net asset value per share increased 9.3 percent from the net asset value per share of $9.14 based on 24,668,715 shares outstanding on April 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Frank J. Maresca of Paine Webber, 212-713-2421, for Global Income Plus Fund

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#90257p4849 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Geriatric & Medical Centers, Inc. (NASDAQ: GEMC) has today reported certain recent events related to Medicaid audit adjustments and business use and occupancy tax assessments previously disclosed. Pending the company's right to seek administrative resolution with the commonwealth of Pennsylvania or resolution through judicial process, the commonwealth is seeking audit adjustments to cost reports for fiscal years ending 1986 and 1987 which, if extended on the same basis to periods commencing after fiscal 1987, could result in a charge to income of up to $10,000,000. The impact of business use and occupancy tax assessments could result in a charge to income of up to $2,130,000.

The company is presently unable to obtain audited financial statements for its year ended May 31, 1990, due to its inability to develop acceptable accounting estimates for the matters described above. However, the company has prepared and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a draft Form 10-K, including unaudited financial statements, subject to the determination of applicable reserves for Medicaid audit and business use and occupancy tax assessments.

These events have caused the company not to be in compliance with certain financial covenants in its loan agreements with its primary lenders. If the non-compliance is not cured by obtaining an unqualified report from its independent certified public accountants by Sept. 28, 1990, its lenders may declare the loans in default, cease funding and call all indebtedness under their various loan agreements immediately due and payable.

While there is no assurance as to the ultimate result, and resolution may not occur by Sept. 28, 1990, the company will continue its efforts to reach satisfactory settlements with the applicable administrative agencies and to cure, if necessary, any non-compliance in its loan agreements.

Geriatric & Medical Centers, Inc. is a leading provider of home health care, as well as a supplier of health care management and support services to hospitals, HMO's physician groups and long-term care facilities in the Mid-Atlantic region.

CONTACT: Robert F. Carfagno, senior vice president finance and chief financial officer of Geriatric & Medical Centers, 215-748-6869, or Robert P. Borchert of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Geriatric & Medical Centers

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#90257p4852 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) has opened a new sales office in Englewood, Colo., offering Kodak electronic components that can be linked to computer systems for managing images and data.

According to Darell L. Meyer, Central district sales manager for components in Kodak's Imaging Information Systems marketing unit, the new sales office will target systems integrators and value-added resellers of computer products. Meyer's district includes the states of Colorado, Arizona, Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas and Wyoming, and the Canadian provinces of Alberta, Manitoba and Saskatchewan.

Components offered include two optical-disk storage products:

-- The Kodak optical disk system 6800, which provides high-volume image and data storage on 14-inch write-once, read-many (WORM) disks. The system includes media, disk drives and automated disk libraries.
-- The Kodak automated disk library, model 560, which stores any combination of up to 61 5 1/4-inch WORM or erasable disks in a compact 3-square-foot cabinet.

In addition, Meyer said the office will provide other components for electronic imaging and information systems on a phase-in basis.

Systems integrators or value-added resellers should contact Darell L. Meyer, Eastman Kodak, One Inverness Drive East, Englewood, Colo., 80112, 303-799-3326.

CONTACT: Jeanne K. Eason of Eastman Kodak, 716-724-1630

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#90257p4856 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - First Executive Bank announced today that the bank had determined to increase its loan loss reserve to 3 percent of the loans outstanding.

This represents an addition of approximately $935,000 to existing reserve of $467,000 bringing it to a total of approximately $1.4 million. The increase resulted primarily from a review of certain loans to individuals whose assets and businesses are concentrated in real estate and real estate development and the impact of general economic and banking regulatory conditions. It is expected that the increase in loan loss reserves will eliminate the bank's profitability for 1990. The bank will be continually reviewing its loan portfolio and will adjust its loan loss reserves accordingly. This interim adjustment is unaudited.

First Executive Bank opened for business in November 1988. Located at 1513 Walnut St. in Center City Philadelphia, it is a state-chartered bank and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Its deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC). First Executive Bank is a wholly

owned subsidiary of ExecuFirst Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: FXBC).

CONTACT: Zvi H. Muscal of First Executive Bank, 215-564-3300

-30- 1405

#90257p4858 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Flexible Bond Trust, Inc. (AMEX: FLX), a closed-end management investment company seeking total return through investments in income-producing securities with the potential for capital appreciation, today announced its performance for the period ended July, 31, 1990, the third quarter of its 1990 fiscal year.

During the quarter ended July 31, 1990, the fund's earnings from net investment income were $1,832,900, equal to $0.24 per share. Net realized and unrealized gains were $3,604,325, equal to $0.46 per share, and net realized and unrealized gain of $1,094,149, equal to $0.14 per share, incurred during the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

Year-to-date, the fund's total net investment income was $5,305,311, equal to $0.69 per share. Total net realized and unrealized losses for the same period were $1,518,435, equal to $0.20 per share. This compares to total net investment income of $4,010,663, equal to $0.52 per share, and total net realized and unrealized gains of $762,862, equal to $0.10 per share, for the same period ended July 31, 1989.

On July 31, 1990 total net assets of the fund were $68,452,151. The net asset value per share was $8.82 based on 7,760,753 shares outstanding. After adjusting for dividends totalling $0.13 which went ex-dividend during the quarter ended July 31, 1990, the net asset value per share increased 8.48 percent from the net asset value per share of $8.25 based on 7,760,753 shares outstanding on April 30, 1990.

As previously announced, the fund's shareholders have approved the conversion of the fund from a closed-end to an open-end investment company. It is currently anticipated that the conversion to open-end status will become effective during the first calendar quarter of 1991.

CONTACT: Frank J. Maresca of PaineWebber, 212-713-2421

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#90257p4868 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Fidelity Savings (NASDAQ-NMS: FSVA) announced today that in order to more accurately portray its business, Fidelity has changed its name from Fidelity Savings Association to Fidelity Savings Bank and that its corporate logo has been redesigned to reflect the name change.

Fidelity has consistently been among the strongest Pittsburgh area savings and loan institutions, a Fidelity spokesman said. Over the years Fidelity has expanded its financial services, and the wide variety of services now offered is consistent with those available through a commerical bank. Fidelity's new name and logo reflect this expansion and the changing nature of the company's business.

"Our new name reflects our past success while also enabling us to more accurately portray our business and to position ourselves for the future," said William L. Windisch, Fidelity's president and CEO.

Fidelity Savings Bank has assets of $163 million and operates six branch offices located in Allegheny and Butler counties.

CONTACT: Richard G. Spencer, chief financial officer of Fidelity Savings Bank, (412) 931-4300.

-30- 1310

#90257p4870 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENNIS, TEXAS (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Kenneth A. McCrady, chairman of the board of Ennis Business Forms Inc. (NYSE: EBF), announced today that the board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 18 cents a share on its common stock. The dividend is payable on Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 15, 1990.

CONTACT: Kenneth A. McCrady of Ennis Business Forms, 214-875-6581

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#90257p4873 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - For the third consecutive year, Entrepreneur has bucked the industry trend in newsstand sales, racking up a 7.8 percent increase in single copy sales for the first six months of 1990.

The fastest growing business magazine in America, Entrepreneur outsold all other business monthlies, averaging over 104,000 copies per issue on the nation's newsstands according to the latest Audit Bureau of Circulation (ABC) report. The magazine also posted a 7.9 percent total circulation gain over the same period in 1989, averaging 332,170 in overall circulation.

"In a year when many magazines are experiencing a circulation downturn, Entrepreneur's newsstand performance indicates strong consumer interest in the magazine, adding to its value for advertisers. It's no coincidence that Entrepreneur is number one in newsstand sales as well as number one in ad pages among business monthlies," said James L. Fitzpatrick, publisher, adding that the magazine's circulation rise is a reflection of the explosive growth

of the small business market.

Effective with the January 1991 issue, Entrepreneur will raise its guaranteed circulation rate base from 325,000 to 340,000. In addition, full page advertising rates will increase to $18,160 for 4-color and $13,625 for black and white. "Based on Entrepreneur's overall performance, we feel fully confident raising the circulation rate base for the magazine in 1991," said Fitzpatrick.

Entrepreneur is the flagship publication of the Entrepreneur Group, the nation's leading small business authority. The Irvine, Calif.-based company also publishes "Entrepreneurial Woman," "Homebased Business," and "New Business Opportunities" and the "Be Your own Boss" series of reference guides.

CONTACT: Ravelle Brickman Public Relations, (212) 645-1590, for Entrepreneur.

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#90257p4876 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - First Interstate Bank of Denver today announced it will launch a major advertising campaign Sunday, Sept. 16 that will allow families to save up to $600 on round-trip tickets through Continental Airlines.

Under the new campaign, "Call First Interstate Bank and Fly Continental For Less," consumers can simply call the bank to open a new account by phone.

With a qualifying deposit, consumers can receive discount certificates worth up to $100 each on round-trip tickets to anywhere Continental flies in the continental U.S. and Hawaii. To receive two certificates, consumers can deposit $500 into a new checking account; deposit $1,000 into a new or existing savings account; or make a $2,500 deposit into a new or existing market interest account. To receive four certificates, consumers can open or renew a six-month Certificate of Deposit with $5,000. There is a limit of six certificates per household.

Certificates are good anytime from now through Sept. 21, 1991 including holidays.

"The beauty of this offer is that our customers can save a substantial amount of money on airline tickets at a time when airfares are soaring," explains Frances Draper, First Interstate's senior vice president of Retail Banking.

"Plus, there are no restrictions on the use of these certificates during holidays," Draper said. Discount tickets may be used on any published fare, and any class of travel from first class to economy. A Saturday night stay and a minimum seven-day advance purchase are required.

Discounts are based on the price of the round-trip tickets and only one certificate may be applied to each round-trip ticket. Customers can save $25 on tickets between $150 and $200; $50 on tickets costing $201 to $350; and $100 on tickets priced at $351 or more.

CONTACT: Lisa K. Kelley of First Interstate Bank of Denver, 303-293-5465

-30- 2089

#90257p4893 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Angeles Corp. (AMEX: ANG) has approved an offering which would give Angeles unitholders of record on Sept. 15, 1990, the opportunity to exchange a portion of their units (AMEX: ANG.E) for Angeles common stock. The exchange, entirely voluntary on the part of the unitholders, will be available through Oct. 15, 1990.

Angeles will accept up to 20 percent of units held by each beneficial holder and exchange the debt portion of these units for Angeles common stock. Each unit, which includes one-half share of common stock, would be exchanged for a minimum of three shares of common stock. The rate is subject to adjustment so that the exchange will provide a premium of at least 25 percent to tendering unitholders based on the trading prices of the common stock and the unit during the 10 business days immediately preceding the offering expiration date. In no event, however, will the exchange rate exceed 3.5 shares of common stock per unit.

Unitholders may tender more than 20 percent of their units, but acceptance of the excess units for exchange cannot be determined until the end of the offering. Since the exchange offer is for 20 percent of all outstanding units, excess units tendered by individuals will be accepted for exchange on a pro rata basis until the overall 20 percent is reached. In no event will Angeles accept more than 30 percent of the total outstanding units.

An exception is made for unitholders with less than 100 units who, in order to participate, must tender all of their units, all of which will be accepted for exchange.

Each Angeles unit consists of one-half share of Angeles common stock, and subordinated indebtedness in the form of one fiftieth of a $1,000 12 1/2 percent subordinated debenture maturing in 2005 and the cash payment of a total of $1.00 of principal to be paid over the four-year lifetime of the units. Friday's closing market price of units was $10.25. Angeles common stock closed at $4.50.

Participation in the exchange offer does not affect the previously announced distribution of $1.375 per unit to be paid Oct. 15, 1990, to all unitholders of record on Sept. 15, 1990.

Angeles believes the exchange will be beneficial to the company because a portion of its long-term debt will be converted to equity, it will report a gain on the debt converted and its annual interest expense will be reduced.

Angeles Corp. is a diversified investment management company whose subsidiaries manage in excess of $4 billion of securities, real estate, mutual fund and leased equipment assets for corporations, institutions and 130,000 individual investors.

CONTACT: Steve Leach of Angeles Corp., 800-421-4374, ext. 598, or 213-284-3598

-30- 2966

#90257p4894 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Fred C. Wendorf has been named director of federal affairs and manager of the new Washington, D.C., office of Central and South West Services, Inc., a subsidiary of Central and South West Corporation (NYSE: CSR).

Wendorf had been head of Wendorf and Associates, Inc., since 1988. He worked primarily as a consultant and Washington representative for Central and South West Services, Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company, SCANA Corporation and other clients.

For the previous 10 years, Wendorf was a management consultant and lobbyist in energy-related fields. Earlier, he was a legislative assistant for U.S. Senator James Sasser of Tennessee and an administrative assistant for Texas Representative John Bryant.

Wendorf studied public administration during two years of graduate work at Southern Methodist University and holds a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Denver. He reports to Thomas M. Hagan, vice president of governmental affairs for Central and South West Services.

Central and South West Services, Inc., provides support services to Central and South West Corporation and its subsidiaries. Central and South West is a Dallas-based public utility holding company, which owns four electric operating companies that serve parts of Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas. It also owns an Oklahoma intrastate natural-gas pipeline company.

CONTACT: Gerald R. Hunter of Central and South West Services, 214-754-1165

-30- 1678

#90257p4906 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, ORE. (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - NERCO Inc. (NYSE: NER) announced that subsidiaries of its coal unit, NERCO Coal Corp., today filed suit for declaratory judgement against Wisconsin Public Service Corp. (WPSC), Green Bay Wisc., in Federal District Court in Indianapolis.

The parties had executed a 20-year contract in 1985, with coal deliveries beginning in 1986. The coal supply agreement provides for shipments of between 375,000 to 800,000 tons of coal annually for the first 10 years of the contract.

Over the course of the past 14 months, the parties have been negotiating over the impact of obligations under the agreement given Wisconsin acid rain legislation that is slated to become effective in 1993.

According to NERCO, settlement negotiations reached an impasse this week when the WPSC board of directors declined to approve a tentative agreement between the parties.

NERCO Coal Corp. President C.C. Adams noted, "We are hopeful that we will be able to resolve these matters through negotiations between the parties."

NERCO Coal Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of NERCO Inc., a major North American producer of coal, gas, oil, gold and silver. Approximately 82 percent of NERCO's common stock is indirectly owned by PacifiCorp (NYSE: PPW), a diversified electric utility also based in Portland.

CONTACT: Robert S. Hess, 503-731-6678, or Richard T. O'Brien, 503-731-6732, both of NERCO Inc.

-30- 1615

#90257p4907 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Deltona Corporation (NYSE: DLT) today announced that the temporary waiver granted by its lenders expired on Aug. 31, 1990. The temporary waiver included deferral of approximately $566,000, representing interest due Aug. 1, 1990 and a portion of the interest that had been due July 1, 1990.

The company has requested an extension of the temporary waiver to Sept. 30, 1990. Such request includes a request for waiver of compliance with certain coverage and ratio tests under the company's loan agreement, as well as for the deferral of approximately $1 million of interest for the two and a half month period.

The lenders are considering the company's request. It is likely that the company will be required to seek additional temporary waivers throughout the remainder of 1990. It is also necessary that the company resume negotiations for more liberal terms of its loan agreement. There can be no assurance that

the request for the extension of the temporary waiver or any similar future requests will be granted or that the negotiations will be successful.

Deltona also announced that it received a proposal today from Empire of Carolina, Inc. (AMEX: EMP), which holds approximately 39 percent of Deltona's common stock, regarding Empire's April 1990 arrangement with Deltona's board to loan the company the sum of $350,000 and, in addition and subject to Empire's sole discretion, Deltona negotiating more liberal terms of its loan agreement and Deltona achieving appropriate overhead reductions, to loan Deltona up to an additional $4,650,000 over the next 20 months. Empire has, since May 1990, loaned Deltona the aggregate sum of $750,000 under that arrangement. The loan was to have been secured by a mortgage receivable on certain of Deltona's property but, to date, is unsecured.

Deltona further noted that other states are also tightening their regulation of real estate developers. The company reported that it has taken steps to modify its marketing programs and registration applications in the face of such increased regulation, but has incurred additional costs and delays in the process. Deltona also expressed concern that the current national and international economic and political situation was not aiding its efforts to increase retail land sales already depressed because of adverse publicity concerning the indictment and bankruptcy of another major Florida real estate developer. The company is hopeful that its new deed and mortgage sales program will help bolster retail land sales by restoring purchaser confidence.

CONTACT: Michelle R. Garbis of The Deltona Corporation, 305-854-1111.

-30- 2863

#90257p4909 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Datapoint Corporation (NYSE: DPT) today reported a net loss of $82.8 million on revenue of $267.3 million for its fiscal year ended July 28, 1990. This compares with a net loss of $29.2 million on revenue of $312.5 million for fiscal year 1989. During 1990, the company incurred $67.5 million in charges associated with the restructuring of its worldwide operations. These restructuring charges consisted of $33.3 million in write-downs of investments in the company's international operations, $10.3 million of employee severance accruals, $10.1 million in write-downs of capitalized software, $6.8 million in write-downs of fixed assets, $5.0 million of office closing accruals and $2.0 million in other charges.

The restructuring charges in 1990 consisted of $62 million in operating charges and $5.5 million in non-operating charges. Excluding restructuring charges, the company had operating income of $4.9 million during 1990. During 1989, the company had $11.1 million in restructuring charges, all of which impacted operating income. Excluding these restructuring charges, the company had an operating loss of $8.9 million in 1989.

The net loss for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 was $52 million, on revenue of $72.6 million, compared with a net loss of $8.9 million, on revenue of $79.0 million, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. During the fourth quarter of 1990, the company recorded $55.2 million in restructuring charges. Excluding these charges, the company had net income of $3.2 million for the fourth quarter. Also, during the fourth quarter of 1990, the company's investment portfolio recorded a gain of $2.0 million. In addition, the company's cash and investments also increased $6.1 million over the third quarter of 1990. There were no restructuring charges during the fourth quarter of 1989.

"Restructuring measures taken during the fourth quarter, when coupled with the other actions taken over the past 18 months, will significantly reduce the company's future costs," said Michael M. Michigami, Datapoint president and chief executive officer. "Also during 1990, the company reduced its debt by $26.6 million and generated $12.6 million of positive cash flow from operations."

Datapoint Corporation develops, manufactures, and markets computer and communication products for integrated network systems worldwide.

CONTACT: Tom Drohan of Datapoint Corp., 512-699-7900

-30- 2670

#90257p4910 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARKERSBURG, WV (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Manville Corp. (NYSE: MVL) announced today that 235 jobs at its Parkersburg plant could be lost as early as next week unless a new contract is ratified this weekend by its union which walked off the job Aug. 17.

Manville said that Ford Motor Company's lack of confidence in Manville's Parkersburg plant's ability to maintain satisfactory production rates as a result of the prolonged strike has prompted it to begin removing tooling for Explorer truck topliners from the plant.

Ford also has said that it will now have the product manufactured by a Manville competitor. Twenty-eight jobs were lost immediately Friday. In addition, Ford said that they will be forced to remove all remaining tooling next week in order to keep their assembly lines running, unless the strike is resolved. If this occurs, 235 jobs at Parkersburg will be eliminated next week.

Ford indicated that their reasons for this action were:

-- That it believes that it is unlikely that the strike will be resolved in the near future given the breakdown in negotiations.

-- Ford's concern over Parkersburg's ability to maintain satisfactory production rates under current conditions.

-- Ford's concern that the strike conditions will worsen; and
-- The potential shutdown of Ford's Louisville assembly plant should the situation at Parkersburg not be resolved.

The Ford Explorer truck is one of Ford's best-selling vehicles. Manville's Parkersburg plant has produced 70 percent of the topliner shells for this vehicle.

"The imminent loss of our customers poses dire consequences to the future of Manville's ability to continue as a major employer in Parkersburg," said Bob Mason, manager of the Parkersburg plant. "We believe that it is imperative that the union membership have a clear understanding of the potential serious consequences if the strike continues and that the union members be offered an opportunity to immediately vote on the company's final offer as presented to the union bargaining committee on Aug. 30."

"Manville has negotiated in good faith with the union," Mason added. "We believe that we have presented a fair and mutually beneficial solution to the issue of employee health care benefits and rising medical costs."

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Manville Corp., 303-978-2000

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#90257p4912 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - DWG Corporation (AMEX: DWG) announced today results of operations for the three months ended July 31, 1990.

Revenues in the three months ended July 31, 1990 were $297 million compared to $302 million in the same period of the year, and the company had a net loss of $2.3 million or $.09 per share (primary and fully diluted) compared to a net loss of $3.3 million or $.14 per share (primary and fully diluted) in the same quarter of the prior fiscal year.

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#90257p4914 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The strong Canadian dollar, increased low-cost competition from the United States and the lack of an economic log supply are forcing Fletcher Challenge Canada to seek a buyer for its Delta Plywood division.

The company announced today it is beginning a consultative process involving employees, the IWA and municipal and provincial governments to exit from the coastal plywood industry by selling Delta Plywood and by closing a smaller production facility at Fraser Mills on Nov. 30.

Des Gelz, group vice president of the company's Coast Wood Products, said the two plywood facilities were consolidated in April 1989 and the company invested $1.5 million in new equipment to modernize the operations.

''Despite our very best efforts, the benefits we hoped to achieve through consolidation have been largely erased by external factors beyond our control '' Gelz said.

''These factors include the stronger Canadian dollar, entry of lower cost producers into traditional markets and an increasingly scarce economic log supply on the B.C. Coast.

''Future tariff reductions as a result of the Canada-U.S. free trade agreement will only make this picture worse for us.''

However, Gelz said the company is optimistic it can find a buyer for Delta Plywood, the newer of the two operations, because it is a stand alone facility. The Fraser Mills panel operation shares a common site with a company sawmill. The 94 employees displaced there will be offered early retirement, severance pay or job opportunities elsewhere in the company, he said.

The company has prepared a prospectus to help attract potential buyers for the Delta operation. Gelz said the company will specify as a condition of sale that the new owner be required to employ as many existing workers as possible to meet its new manpower requirements.

Today, 155 of a total workforce of 259 employees are on the job while the balance remain on layoff.

Gelz said the company has already talked with one potential buyer. It would also consider an offer of purchase from employees and will provide an independent financial consulting service if sufficient interest is indicated.

Fletcher Challenge Canada is a leading producer of sheathing plywood grades and will continue to manufacture these products at its B.C. Interior operations at Kelowna and Armstrong, Gelz said.

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#90257p4917 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Ferruzzi Group today said it was disappointed to be denied a restraining order, but noted that the petition was simply the first step in seeking judicial redress of the Chicago Board of Trade's unfair treatment of Ferruzzi.

The Ferruzzi Group stated: "We are, of course, disappointed by the decision. But we appreciate the judge's careful and thorough review."

On Wednesday, Ferruzzi filed its suit seeking a preliminary injunction against a CBOT disciplinary hearing planned for next Monday. Ferruzzi had argued that the CBOT had prejudged Ferruzzi, had a financial stake in the outcome of the hearing, and was incapable of providing an impartial hearing.

U.S. District Court Judge James B. Zagel denied that request earlier today on the grounds that Ferruzzi had not yet exhausted its administrative remedies. He said that before they could be considered by a federal court, Ferruzzi's charges of bias against the CBOT should first be heard before the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, the federal agency responsible for overseeing the exchanges.

Judge Zagel also said that, in his view, disciplinary hearings such as that scheduled to begin Monday at the CBOT would appear to be subject to due process requirements.

Also on Wednesday, Ferruzzi filed a damages suit charging the CBOT with manipulating the market and conspiring to drive market prices downward when it issued its liquidation order in the July 1989 soybean futures contract.

"We look forward to having a court address the issues in Ferruzzi's damages suit, which will provide a full public review of the CBOT's July 11, 1989 so-called emergency order," Ferruzzi said.

CONTACT: Larry Friedman of Hill & Knowlton Inc., 312-853-2037, or 718-454-6997 (weekends), for The Ferruzzi Group

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#90257p4920 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO, (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Follett, chairman of Follett Corp., and Edward J. Brennan Jr., chairman and founder of Brennan College Service Inc., today announced an agreement for the purchase of BCS by Follett Corp.

Brennan College Service operates 57 college bookstores and is headquartered in Springfield, Mass. Follett Corporation, headquartered in Chicago, operates about 300 college bookstores in the United States and provides a range of distribution and software services to educational institutions.

It is anticipated that the acquisition will be completed in 60 days. The terms and price were not disclosed. Follett began as a single bookstore in 1873. The company continues to be privately held by descendants of Charles W. Follett and employees.

Brennan College Service was founded by Edward Brennan in 1967. Following the sale to Follett, Brennan will continue to operate from its current facilities while both companies develop plans for the future. Combined sales of Brennan and Follett will exceed $475 million.

Edward Brennan plans to retire as chairman of Brennan College Service following completion of the purchase. Lyman Wood, president and chief executive officer of Brennan, has agreed to continue in that position following the acquisition.

Robert Follett praised the accomplishments of the Brennan organization. ''I have known and respected Ed Brennan for many years,'' Follett said, ''and I am delighted that he chose to combine his organization with Follett. We expect the combination of these two strong companies to result in even better service to our college and university customers.''

CONTACT: Wayne Larson, of Selz, Seabolt & Associates, Inc., 312-372-7090 for Follett Corporation

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#90257p4936 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE, (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Washington Mutual (NASDAQ: WAMU), a Federal Savings Bank today announced that it has acquired from the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC) certain assets and liabilities of the Washington operations of Williamsburg Federal Savings and Loan Association of Salt Lake City.

Washington Mutual, a Federal Savings Bank is a wholly owned subsidiary of Washington Mutual Savings Bank.

Under the terms of the agreement, Washington Mutual assumed, as of 6 p.m. today, Williamsburg's Washington deposit liabilities which total approximately $45.8 million. The assets acquired by Washington Mutual include an exclusive option on Williamsburg's Washington branch facilities. Washington Mutual paid a purchase premium of $1.25 million.

"This acquisition is in keeping with our strategy of making in-market acquisitions," said Kerry Killinger, president and chief executive officer of Washington Mutual Savings Bank. "This addition brings more than $43.7 million in core retail deposits to our deposit base, increases our customer base by more than 7,900 accounts, and should add to our profitability."

The RTC had managed Williamsburg since it went into receivership on Jan. 26, 1990. The acquisition was approved by the Office of Thrift Supervision, the primary federal regulator of Williamsburg and Washington Mutual, a Federal Savings Bank.

Williamsburg operated three branches in Washington, all in the strong Puget Sound market. One is in Seattle's Wallingford area, another in Des Moines (south of Seattle) and the third in North Bend (east of Seattle). All of the branches will reopen as Washington Mutual financial centers on Sept. 17.

"The Williamsburg branches are in the active Puget Sound region, which is our most significant market," Killinger said. "We are pleased to offer our current customers, and our new ones, the added convenience of even more locations where they can meet their financial needs."

Washington Mutual Savings Bank and its subsidiary Washington Mutual, a Federal Savings Bank operate 71 financial centers in Washington and an additional 17 home loan centers in the Pacific Northwest.

With assets of approximately $7.3 billion, Washington Mutual is the largest independent financial institution in Washington.

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#90257p4938 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMIA (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Quadra Logic Technologies Inc. (QLT) (Toronto, Vancouver: QLT) announced today that there are no fundamental changes in the company or in its ongoing clinical programs designed to demonstrate the safety and efficacy of Photodynamic Therapy using PHOTOFRIN. The company knows of no reason to account for the recent change in the stock price.

In fact, QLT is encouraged by the progress being made in the clinical development of Photodynamic Technology as evidenced by the results of data presented at two recent international conferences on PDT. In one study by a group from the Tokyo Medical College, the clinical efficacy of Photodynamic Therapy using PHOTOFRIN in early stage lung cancer was evaluated on 26 patients. All patients initially showed complete remission and 16 patients have been apparently disease-free from 21 to 112 months. Recurrence was recognized in only three cases.

In another study, part of which was originally published in Chest, a U.S. medical journal, an article entitled ''Detection of Early Lung Cancer Using Low Dose PHOTOFRIN" demonstrated the sensitivity and specificity of Photodynamic Imaging for the diagnosis and detection of disease. Twelve of the 18 patients enrolled in this study had tumors that were invisible and undetected by current diagnostic methods. By using Photodynamic Imaging, 100

percent sensitivity (finds all known cancer) and 92.5 per cent specificity (finds only cancer or pre-cancerous cells, as opposed to infection) was achieved.

Human clinical trials evaluating the safety and efficacy of PHOTOFRIN are continuing in 42 centers in North America, 21 centers in Europe and nine centers in Japan. Pre-clinical studies in venereal warts, bone marrow purging and viral inactivation of blood as well as Phase II studies in Photodynamic Imaging are progressing in accordance with the Company's expectations.

Quadra Logic Technologies is a biopharmaceutical company principally engaged in the development and commercialization of photosensitive drugs that are activated by light. The focus of the company is in Photodynamic Technology (PDT), using light-activated drugs for the diagnosis and treatment of disease. The company has emphasized its product development in the areas of cancer, imaging, sexually transmitted diseases, viral inactivation in blood and atherosclerosis. The company's long term strategy is to establish the capabilities to manufacture and distribute drugs developed and commercialized by the company.

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#90257p4940 09/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY, (SEPT. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - First Security Corp. (NASDAQ: FSCO) has acquired from the Resolution Trust Corp. $57.6 million in deposits from the Utah operations of Williamsburg Savings and Loan Association, Salt Lake City. The acquisition was a $725,000 cash transaction. The deposits represent more than 12,000 customer accounts, which were transferred to First Security Bank of Utah at the close of business on Friday, Sept. 14, 1990.

Scott Nelson, chairman and chief executive officer of First Security Bank of Utah, said, "Williamsburg customers can continue to bank as usual. The former Williamsburg Savings offices in Utah will be open for business during their regular banking hours through Sept. 28. Williamsburg customer accounts remain fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. up to a maximum of $100,000.

"Beginning Monday, Oct. 1, Williamsburg customers will be able to do all their banking at any First Security Bank of Utah office. We have 94 branches conveniently located in 53 communities statewide. The former Williamsburg office in Kanab will open for business on Sept. 17 as a new brach of First Security Bank of Utah.

"Williamsburg customers will find a wider range of banking and financially related products and services to meet their individual and business needs at

First Security. Our HandiBank automated teller machines enable customers to transact most the their banking any time of the day or night seven days a week."

Spencer F. Eccles, chairman and chief executive officer of the parent First Security, said, "First Security Bank of Utah is locally managed and can draw on the more than $6 billion in resources represented by the First Security family of banks. We are delighted to welcome Williamsburg's Utah customers to the First Security organization. They will find First Security employees totally committed to 'giving 110 percent.' 'Currently giving 110' is more than our current advertising theme. It's an attitude and a way of life found at every First Security office.

"This acquisition extends our coverage of six strategic markets in Utah. We have completed four acquisitions in the last year to strengthen our coverage of growing markets in Utah, Idaho and Wyoming and to enter profitable new markets in Oregon. Two other acquistions are pending, awaiting required approvals."

First Security is the largest financial services organization headquartered in the Intermountain West. It is the oldest continuously operating multi-state bank holding company in the United States. First Security operates 183 full-service banking offices in Utah, Idaho, Oregon and Wyoming. Other subsidiaries include a leasing company, two insurance companies, an investment management firm and a discount brokerage.

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#90257t1602 09/14/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW SEPTEMBER 14 TASS -

STRIKES AND MASS ABSENTEEISM DUE TO ETHNIC AND SOCIO- POLITICAL CONFLICTS COST THE SOVIET ECONOMY TEN MILLION MAN-DAYS IN THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 1990, THE SOVIET STATISTICS COMMITTEE REPORTS. THIS WAS TANTAMOUNT TO 75,000 PEOPLE FAILING TO REPORT TO WORK EVERY DAY, RESULTING IN A PRODUCTION SHORTFALL OF NEARLY ONE BILLION ROUBLES.

IN ADDITION, THERE WERE ALSO AUTHORISED LOSSES OF THE SAME KIND, TOPPING 124 MILLION MAN-DAYS.

THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WERE TAKEN OFF THEIR REGULAR JOBS AND SENT TO THE COUNTRYSIDE TO HELP FARMERS GATHER HARVESTS OR TO SHORT-HANDED AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE STORAGES TO PRE-PACKAGE VEGETABLES FOR SHOPS.

MORE THAN 20 MILLION MAN-DAYS WERE SPENT TO HELP ON CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AT THE REQUEST OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES. SUMMONS TO MILITARY RESERVE REGISTRATION

OFFICES, COURTS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS DEVOURED EVEN MORE TIME.

WORKER ASSISTANCE TO POLICE IN PATROLLING STREETS TOOK ANOTHER TWO MILLION MAN-DAYS FROM PRODUCTION, WHILE WORK AT CHILDREN'S SUMMER CAMPS SPONSORED BY VARIOUS ORGANISATIONS ADDED UP TO MORE THAN SEVEN MILLION MAN-DAYS.

SPORTS COMPETITIONS AND PERFORMING ARTS EVENTS STAGED DURING WORKING HOURS COST OVER 1.5 MILLION MAN-DAYS. CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS NOT DIRECTLY ASSOCIATED WITH AN ORGANISATION'S LINE OF WORK RESULTED IN THE LOSS OF 2.4 MILLION MAN-DAYS.

THESE AND OTHER FORMS OF OFFICIALLY SANCTIONED ABSENTEEISM MEANT THAT 400,000 PEOPLE WERE OFF THEIR JOBS DAILY LAST YEAR.

BUT THE SITUATION IS IMPROVING. IN 1987, FOR INSTANCE, THE NUMBER WAS 700,000.

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#90257t1611 09/14/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT 14) TASS - IN CONNECTION WITH REPORTS THAT APPEARED RECENTLY IN FOREIGN MASS MEDIA ABOUT THE ALLEGEDLY UNSATISFACTORY CONDITION OF THE SHELTER FACILITY AT THE CHERNOBYL NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN GENNADY GERASIMOV MADE PUBLIC THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION OF THE SOVIET MINISTRY OF NUCLEAR POWER ENGINEERING.

THE SHELTER FACILITY WAS BUILT AT THE CHERNOBYL NUCLEAR POWER PLANT IN 1986 IN ORDER TO PREVENT THE LEAKAGE INTO THE ENVIRONMENT OF RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE FROM THE DAMAGED REACTOR AND TO PROTECT THE NEARBY TERRITORY FROM PENETRATING IRRADIATION. THE FACILITY WAS MADE OF METAL STRUCTURES. THE REMAINING PARTS OF THE BUILDING OF POWER UNIT NO.4 WERE USED AS SUPPORTS FOR THEM. ACCORDING TO THE USSR STATE COMMITTEE FOR CONSTRUCTION, THE FACILITY'S SERVICE LIFE WILL BE 30 YEARS.

THE BUILDING STRUCTURES ARE BEING KEPT UNDER CONTINUOUS OBSERVATION. ALL CHANGES IN THEIR STATE ARE BEING REGISTERED BY AN AUTOMATED CONTROL SYSTEM. THE SETTINGS AND INCLINATIONS OF THE STRUCTURE DO NOT EXCEED ACCEPTABLE NORMS. THERE WERE NO CHANGES IN THE POSITION OF THE STRUCTURE AND THE DESTROYED REACTOR AS A RESULT OF THE EARTHQUAKE OF MAY 30 AND 31, THIS YEAR.

ACCORDING TO THE MINISTRY OF NUCLEAR POWER ENGINEERING, AT PRESENT SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS ARE WORKING OUT WAYS OF A FINAL BURIAL OF THE DAMAGED POWER UNIT.

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#90257t1612 09/14/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT 14) TASS -- SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV PRAISED THE INTERNATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE OF SOVIET-BRITISH DIALOGUE DURING HIS MEETING IN THE KREMLIN TODAY WITH BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY DOUGLAS HURD.

THERE IS EVERY REASON AND STIMULUS TO STEP UP ITS INTENSITY AT THIS MOMENT, HE SAID.

GORBACHEV PROPOSED THINKING TOGETHER ABOUT WHETHER THE TIME WAS RIPE TO PUT ON RECORD THE HEADWAY MADE IN SOVIET-BRITISH RELATIONS, WHICH HAVE REACHED A CERTAIN MARK, ON THE INTERNATIONAL LEGAL PLANE.

THE EUROPEAN PROCESS, THE SOVIET PRESIDENT SAID, ESPECIALLY IN CONNECTION WITH THE EMERGENCE OF A UNITED GERMANY, IS ACQUIRING NEW ASPECTS. THE TASK OF PROTECTING THIS PROCESS FROM DISRUPTIONS AND DISTORTIONS, OF INCREASING ITS POSITIVE CONTENT, CALLS FOR VIGOROUS INTERACTION OF ALL ITS PARTICIPANTS, INCLUDING, NATURALLY, THE UNITED STATES.

IN THIS RESPECT, THE INTERACTION BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND GREAT BRITAIN IS OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE, HE SAID.

THE PRESIDENT STRESSED THAT JUDGING BY SOME ALARMING EVENTS, CERTAIN FORCES IN SOME EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES WANT TO MINIMISE THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TRANSFORMATIONS NOW UNDER WAY THERE AND TREAT THEM AS NO MORE THAN AN IDEOLOGICAL REVENGE.

THIS IMPERILS NOT ONLY THE DEMOCRATIC NATURE OF THESE TRANSFORMATIONS BUT ALSO THE MOVEMENT OF STATES AND PEOPLES TOWARDS A NEW EUROPE, THE SOVIET PRESIDENT EMPHASIZED.

MIKHAIL GORBACHEV BRIEFED THE BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY ON THE DIALOGUE WITH THE U.S.PRESIDENT AND FAMILIARISED HIM WITH THE IDEAS AND ARGUMENTS THE HELSINKI SUMMIT HIGHLIGHTED.

MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND DOUGLAS HURD EXCHANGED VIEWS ON POSSIBLE OPTIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PERSIAN GULF SITUATION AND THE WAYS TO ACT IN THIS SITUATION THE TWO SIDES VIEWED MOST ADVISABLE.

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#90257t1617 09/14/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT 14) TASS -- IT WAS ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY THAT A YAK-42 PASSENGER AIRLINER HAD CRASHED NEAR THE CITY OF SVERDLOVSK IN THE URALS ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13.

THE AIRCRAFT, BELONGING TO THE VOLGOGRAD AVIATION ENTERPRISE OF THE NORTH-CAUCASIAN CIVIL AVIATION DIRECTORATE, HIT THE EARTH TWO KILOMETERS FROM SVERDLOVSK AERODROME, WHERE IT WAS SCHEDULED TO LAND, AT 23:58 ON THURSDAY, KILLING ONE CREW MEMBER AND THREE PASSENGERS OUT OF 123 ON BOARD.

A COMMISSION OF THE USSR GOSAVIANADZOR (STATE AIR TRAFFIC SUPERVISION SERVICE) IS INVESTIGATING THE ACCIDENT.

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#90257t1621 09/14/1990 ~ts
TALLINN (SEPT 14) TASS -- NADEZHDA (HOPE) IS THE NAME OF A NEW INDEPENDENT RADIO BROADCASTING STATION THAT HAS GONE ON THE AIR IN ESTONIA.

PEOPLE ACROSS THE REPUBLIC CAN TUNE IN TO THE STATION IN THE MORNING AND AFTER WORKING HOURS. PROGRAMMES ARE PREPARED BY INTERMOVEMENT ACTIVISTS, MAINLY RUSSIAN SPEAKERS RESIDING IN ESTONIA.

"FOR ALL OUR OPENNESS AND PLURALISM," AN INTERMOVEMENT LEADER, ESTONIAN PEOPLE'S DEPUTY YEVGENY KOGAN, TOLD TASS, "WE HAVE NO ACCESS TO MASS INFORMATION OUTLETS HERE IN THE REPUBLIC. WE UNDERSTAND THAT WE CANNOT GO ON LIVING LIKE THAT".

"WE FEEL THE NEED TO CONDUCT WORK AMONG PEOPLE WHOM SOME FORCES SEEK TO MISLEAD AND SPLIT. THIS IS WHY AN ALTERNATIVE RADIO BROADCASTING STATION WAS NEEDED SO BADLY," KOGAN SAID.

THE USSR COMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY HAS ALLOTTED FREQUENCIES FOR US TO GO ON THE AIR. THE USSR STATE COMMITTEE FOR TELEVISION AND RADIO BROADCASTING HAS TENTATIVELY REGISTERED US AS ITS BRANCH," KOGAN SAID.

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#90257t1622 09/14/1990 ~ts
LENINGRAD (SEPT 14) TASS -- THE ESTONIAN GOVERNMENT AND THE LENINGRAD CITY AND REGIONAL COUNCIL OF PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES SIGNED A GENERAL AGREEMENT HERE TODAY TO DEVELOP BROAD-SCALE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, CULTURAL AND LEGAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THIS SOVIET BALTIC REPUBLIC AND THE SECOND LARGEST CITY IN THE SOVIET UNION.

THEY INTEND TO MAINTAIN DIRECT ECONOMIC AND OTHER TIES AND TO ESTABLISH AN ESTONIAN CULTURAL CENTRE IN LENINGRAD AND A LENINGRAD CULTURAL CENTRE IN ESTONIA.

DURING THE DISCUSSION OF THE DRAFT AGREEMENT ON THURSDAY, THE SIDES DECIDED TO WORK OUT AND ADOPT A BILATERAL AGREEMENT ON THE STATUS OF THE ECONOMIC BORDER BETWEEN THE LENINGRAD REGION AND ESTONIA.

ACCORDING TO THE SIDES, THIS WILL ENABLE THEM TO PROTECT THE MUTUAL INTERESTS OF THEIR CONSUMER MARKETS, BLOCK THE CHANNELS OF PROFITEERING AND HELP BILATERAL ECONOMIC NORMALIZATION.

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#90257t1623 09/14/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT 15) TASS - SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER ERNEST OBMINSKY RECEIVED ON FRIDAY G.TRANT, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE U.N. WORLD FOOD COUNCIL.

THEY DISCUSSED QUESTIONS DEALING WITH THE SOLUTION OF THE WORLD FOOD PROBLEM, THE ELIMINATION OF HUNGER IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE WORLD AND THE IMPROVEMENT OF COORDINATION OF ACTIONS BY THE WORLD COMMUNITY IN THIS SPHERE.

IT WAS STRESSED THAT THE NEED TO RESOLVE THE FOOD PROBLEM CALLS FOR CONSTRUCTIVE COOPERATION OF ALL COUNTRIES ON THE BASIS OF ACTIONS ON THE NATIONAL AND MULTILATERAL LEVELS SUPPLEMENTING EACH OTHER.

THEY ALSO DISCUSSED THE CONSOLIDATION OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND THE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL.

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#90257u0165 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 14) UPI - A soon-to-be released book about Israel's spy agency says the Mossad believes that the official U-S account of the assassination of President Kennedy is ''pure, unadulterated hokum.'' The book... whose distribution was temporarily barred in New York state and Canada... says the Mossad's theory was that the killers- Mafioso hit men- were after Texas Governor John Connally, so the mob could muscle into the oil business. The spy agency says Lee Harvey Oswald was a dupe. Connally was in Kennedy's car in the Dallas motorcade and was wounded.

British Prime Minister Thatcher says her most criticized characteristics would be praised if she were a man. But in an interview in Friday's edition of Woman's Journal, she says being a woman has some advantages in international politics. In Thatcher's words- ''If we have a big international conference, they will always know the president of the United States, they will always know the president of the Soviet Union and, being a woman, I'm the other one they will automatically recognize.''

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#90257u0175 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
LUBBOCK, TX (SEPT. 14) UPI - David Klingler threw five touchdown passes, the first coming 63 seconds into the game Thursday, sending the Houston Cougars to a 51-35 Southwest Conference victory over the Texas Tech Red Raiders.

Klingler passed for 435 yards and Chuck Weatherspoon rushed for 120 yards in Houston's potent offense - known as the run-and-shoot - directed last year by Heisman Trophy winner Andre Ware.

Klingler ran his touchdown total to 10 after two games despite not having

favorite receiver Manny Hazard available for the game. Hazard, who set an NCAA record with 22 touchdown receptions last year, was out with a dislocated shoulder.

Houston improved to 2-0, while Texas Tech dropped to 0-2.

Klingler threw 54 yards to Verlund Brown for a touchdown on the fifth play of the game. He threw a 40-yard TD pass to Sherman Smith late in the first quarter and a 15-yard scoring pass to Craig Alexander in the second period to boost Houston to a 28-11 halftime lead.

Patrick Cooper caught a 31-yard touchdown pass from Klingler's in the third period. Klingler's fifth TD pass came with only 42 seconds remaining, when the Cougars could have killed the clock. Instead Klingler threw 16 yards to Brown for the final points.

Houston's other points came on a 6-yard run by Weatherspoon with 21 seconds to go in the first half and field goals of 26, 40 and 33 yards by Roman Anderson.

Texas Tech managed field goals of 47 and 52 yards by Lin Elliott, scoring runs of 2 and 7 yards by Anthony Lynn and touchdown throws of 6 yards from Jamie Gill to Rodney Blackshear and 16 yards from Robert Hall to Chris Naughton.

Lynn's first touchdown, followed by a two-point conversion, got Texas Tech within 14-11 with 8:56 to play in the first half. But the Cougars ran off 24 straight points.

Houston drove 80 yards in 10 plays for the score that started the rout. During the drive, Klingler hit Good with a 34-yard throw and Brown with a 14-yarder that set up the scoring pass to Alexander.

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#90257u0177 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (SEPT. 14) UPI - Exxon has declared its 18-month cleanup of the nation's worst oil spill a success, but Gov. Steve Cowper said the oil giant must return next year because 60 miles of beach remain contaminated.

Exxon has pulled its crews off Alaska shores for the winter and is packing up to leave, but Cowper told a news conference Thursday the company cannot consider its job finished while so much oil remains in the environment, much of it buried beneath the surface.

''There are areas that are heavily oiled,'' Cowper said. ''Those areas have to be treated. If you leave them alone, they will continue to leach toxic substances for a long, long time. If we treat them, then the period of recovery will be considerably less.''

More than 60 miles of coastline remain oiled after two summers of extensive cleanup, according to state Department of Environmental Conservation surveys. The department said 11.5 miles of shoreline have medium or heavy concentrations of oil.

About 1,200 miles of shoreline were fouled by crude oil in March 1989 when the Exxon Valdez smashed into Bligh Reef in Prince William Sound and broke open, spewing 11 million gallons of crude into the pristine wilderness.

''I think there's been a big improvement in Prince William Sound due to the people's efforts who worked there this summer,'' Cowper said. ''At the same time, it is clear ... that there's more work to do next summer.''

Exxon and Coast Guard spill coordinators have said that spring shoreline surveys will determine what, if anything, the oil company must do next year. But Cowper said he planned to give Exxon work orders.

''We're going to make a list of specific areas that we want Exxon to clean up and specify the methodology, how they clean it up,'' Cowper said.

But Cowper acknowledged that Alaska lost some key cleanup battles over the summer when the Coast Guard overruled state objections about treatment of certain beaches.

In the most glaring example of such a disagreement earlier this month, the Coast Guard ordered Exxon to dig up the shores of Ushagat Island in the Gulf of Alaska to let waves wash away buried oil. Cowper cabinet members angrily accused the Coast Guard and Exxon of releasing several thousand gallons of crude into the water in what amounted to a new spill that no one cleaned up. The state had urged that the oil be picked up and taken away.

Cowper criticized the Coast Guard and showed a videotape backing up state claims that the cleanup-caused spill put more oil in the water and killed sea birds. The video showed the governor reaching down into a ''cleaned'' beach last week and pulling out his hand - covered with oil.

Cowper also rejected Exxon claims that a record 1990 salmon season in Prince William Sound could be used show that damage from the spill has ended. The governor said fish caught this summer were spawned in 1988 and that it will take years before scientists know whether oil has had a lasting effect on fishing.

Oil's impact on native subsistence food gathering continues for Aleut villagers who live in the spill impact zone, Cowper said.

''Sure the subsistence harvest has been affected,'' he said. ''Some of the smaller villages, Tatitlek, Chenega Bay, utilize the islands and beaches that were directly hit by the oil. They have noticed a decline in certain animals

that they use'' such as otters and deer.

If Exxon had put more effort into its second season of cleanup, the beaches would be in better shape, Cowper said. ''Perhaps there should have been more people and more equipment.''

Exxon staged its own spill wrap-up show Tuesday night, presenting videos, making speeches and declaring its $2 billion cleanup a success. Thursday, Exxon repeated its position that the cleanup has been successful, dismissing state concerns while heralding a successful fishing season, claiming that wildlife was abundant in the spill zone and asserting that remaining oil was virtually harmless.

With no more dead animals appearing on national TV screens, and Exxon and the Coast Guard trumpeting a successful operation while showing increasing signs of restlessness and impatience at continuing state demands, Cowper said, ''We are the people who have gotten the role of trying to push the cleanup along.''

''I don't know if we've lost our audience or not,'' Cowper said. ''We haven't lost our oil on the beach and that's what we have to treat next summer. We're in for the long run whether we like it or not and so it's up to us to apply whatever pressures and whatever authority we have to make sure that the oil is cleaned up as best we can do it. We have to keep pushing.''

The Exxon Valdez sailed out of Long Beach, Calif., Harbor Wednesday, renamed the Exxon Mediterranean and headed for its new assignment in the Mideast following a year-long, $30 million repair job.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 14) UPI - The government must take into account the ''biological diversity'' of the Pacific Northwest's ancient forests when considering the effects of logging - not just the effect on threatened animals a court said in a landmark environmental ruling.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals expanded national environmental law Thursday to require the U.S. Forest Service to consider the effects of logging on all plant and animal life in the woods, not simply a single species such as the endangered spotted owl.

''The courts have repeatedly ruled in our favor in cases involving ancient forests and the spotted owl,'' said Nathaniel Lawrence, attorney for the Natural Resources Defense Council. ''But endangered species are just the tip of the iceberg. We've been losing the battle to protect biological diversity and thus have been impoverishing the landscape.''

The court said the Forest Service violated the National Environmental Policy

Act by failing to study the impacts of logging on the entirety of life in an area.

Lawrence hailed the ruling as a ''landmark victory in the fight to stop the destruction of our native forests.''

''It is the first decision to force the government to take heed of the biological diversity of the ancient forests of the Pacific Northwest,'' he said.

The decision blocks a proposed 3,000-acre timber salvage and cutting plan on an area burned during a fire that swept through 15,000 acres of the Klamath National Forest in 1987, and requires the Forest Service to study the impact the plan will have on a biological corridor linking two wilderness areas.

The environmental groups said the biological corridor between the Marble Mountain and Red Butte wilderness areas allows animals and plants to migrate from one forested area to another.

The Forest Service plan called for only a half-mile-wide strip of forested land to act as a biological corrider, and the court ruled that decision was reached without adequate study.

Judge Alfred Goodwin wrote in the 3-0 decision that the Forest Service failed to take a ''hard look'' at the biological corridor issue, and ordered the agency to further study the issue, as well as the impact on biological diversity.

Goodwin is a former justice on the Oregon Supreme Court and now chief judge of the 9th Circuit.

Wesley Higbie, attorney for the timber companies named in the lawsuit, said, ''I think the circumstances really do not permit a seemingly endless analysis of environmental impacts.''

Higbie said the proposed biological corridors around Marble Mountain could take in virtually all stands of old-growth timber that have not been harvested. He said there is no proof species would use the corridors to migrate from one area to another.

Activists say the connecting corridors could allow creatures such as wolves, bears, mountain lions and spotted owls to move over a large enough area to sustain gene-pool diversity.

The northern spotted owl has become a focal point in the battle over the future of old-growth forests in the Pacific Northwest. The Fish and Wildlife Service listed the bird as a threatened species this summer, forcing the government to draft a plan on how to manage the forests to preserve the owl.

The Bush administration appointed a special inter-agency task force with the goal of saving the owl while mininizing the number of job losses in the logging industry.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	80	64	.556	-	46-27	34-37	4-6	L-1
Toronto	76	68	.528	4	37-35	39-33	6-4	L-2
Detroit	69	76	.476	11 1/2	34-38	35-38	4-6	L-2
Milwaukee	68	75	.476	11 1/2	34-38	34-37	5-5	L-1
Baltimore	65	77	.458	14	33-38	32-39	5-5	W-2
Cleveland	65	79	.451	15	36-37	29-42	5-5	W-2
New York	59	84	.413	20 1/2	32-39	27-45	3-7	W-1
West								
Oakland	91	52	.636	-	44-25	47-27	8-2	L-1
Chicago	81	62	.566	10	42-29	39-33	4-6	W-1
Texas	75	68	.524	16	43-29	32-39	7-3	W-1
California	73	71	.507	18 1/2	40-32	33-39	6-4	W-4
Seattle	70	74	.486	21 1/2	37-38	33-36	5-5	L-3
Kansas City	67	76	.469	24	41-31	26-45	1-9	W-1
Minnesota	66	79	.455	26	35-37	31-42	5-5	W-1

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UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 14) UPI - The U.N. Security Council Thursday night authorized distribution of food to refugees stranded in Iraq and Kuwait, provided the efforts are supervised by the Red Cross or international relief agencies.

But the council also said it would scrutinize individual relief operations to make sure they are being conducted strictly under ''humanitarian circumstances.''

Just before midnight, the 15-nation council voted 13-2 to adopt the measure in response to urgent requests by India, the Philippines and Sri Lanka that they be allowed to send food to tens of thousands of their nationals trapped in Kuwait, which has been occupied by Iraqi troops since Aug. 2.

Under provisions of the U.N. trade and arms embargo imposed to punish Iraq for annexing Kuwait, it would be a violation of the ban to send food to the gulf

countries unless it were for ''humanitarian circumstances.''

Cuba and Yemen voted against the measure. They fought unsuccessfully for two days against the decision, which is contained in a resolution worked out by the United States, the Soviet Union, China, France and Britain - the five permanent members of the council.

Following adoption of the resolution, the Security Council's sanctions committee was to call for an international operations to help ''hundreds of thousands'' of Asians and other foreigners stranded in Kuwait and Iraq.

The committee, chaired by Marjatta Rasi of Finland, said the international operations should help evacuate the foreigners and asked Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to find ways so the United Nations can contribute toward the operations.

''The committee asked particularly that an international food and rescue operation be launched immediately to help Indians, Philipinos and Sri Lankans and other foreigners who are in difficulty while waiting for their evacuation '' the committee said in a prepared statement.

The committee said it authorized the sending of an Indian ship carrying food for Indian migrant workers in Kuwait and Iraq. It said the distribution of food should be done in strict conformity to the U.N. resolution adopted Thursday.

There are an estimated 140,000 Indian migrant workers in Kuwait, suffering from a severe food shortage and unable to leave that country.

The five permanent members had urged non-aligned countries to support the decision to put food distribution under the supervision of international aid agencies so that the Iraqi government would not try to divert it to its army or people.

Cuba and Yemen said access to foodstuffs is a fundamental human rights that the 15-nation council cannot breach. They rejected all supervision either by the United Nations or international agencies in the food distribution.

Cuba circulated a document warning that the council cannot take any action that would ''hinder access of the civilian population and foreign nationals in Iraq and Kuwait to basic foodstuffs, medical supplies and medical assistance.''

The Cuban document was rejected by the council. Surprisingly China supported the Cuban position, but its U.N. ambassador Li Daoyu said it was out of humanitarian concern and did not change Chinese support for the U.N. embargo.

U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, Thomas Pickering, told the council that the resolution was a ''fair procedure'' that would allow the distribution of

food and medicine in Kuwait and Iraq.

Pickering said the resolution guarantees the integrity of the work by humanitarian agencies.

Some council members have accused Iraq of using food as a weapon by denying it to foreigners in retaliation for the U.N. embargo.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Around the world, around the clock... U-P-I brings you the latest news. .

Secretary of State Baker is in Damascus on the first trip to Syria by a U-S secretary of state since the early 1980's. Damascus and Washington have been at odds for several years, but they are on the same side in the Persian Gulf crisis. Baker is to hold talks with President Hafez Assad, an enemy of Iraq's Saddam Hussein. .

Japan has pledged an additional three-BILLION dollars in support for the Persian Gulf initiative, bringing its total commitment to four- BILLION. Half the money will go to support the international forces sent to the Gulf, and the other half will be given as loans and other aid to front-line states confronting Iraq.

Supreme Court nominee David Souter goes back before the Senate Judiciary Committee for a second day of confirmation hearings. Yesterday, he sailed through four hours of questioning in a performance that appeared to bolster his confirmation hopes. He did NOT reveal where he stands on abortion.

Budget talks aimed at cutting the federal deficit resume today at Andrews Air Force Base near Washington, with negotiations apparently hung up over a G-O-P demand. Sources say the Republican demand for a cut in the capital gains tax ''is a sticking point.'' Democrats see the proposed cut as a tax break for the wealthy.

Black-on-black violence in South Africa escalated sharply yesterday when gangs armed with guns and knives attacked a commuter train near Johannesburg. At least 26 people were killed and more than 100 injured in the bloody rampage.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - New York Mets General Manager Frank Cashen said that Darryl Strawberry isn't a $5-million-a-year player and, the way Strawberry is playing right now, Cashen may be right.

It could be closer to $6 million.

Strawberry belted a three-run homer in the fourth inning after throwing out a runner at the plate in the top of the inning Thursday night to lead the Mets to a 6-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates, pulling the Mets to within 1 1-2 games of first place in the NL East.

Strawberry, who has hinted that he will leave the Mets and become a free agent after the season if he can't reach a contract agreement, insists that his late-season tear has nothing to do with money.

''It's not a salary drive,'' said Strawberry. ''You don't play at this point for salary. You play for pride.''

Dwight Gooden, 17-6, won his sixth consecutive decision and 14th in 15 to help the Mets tie a franchise record with their 11th straight home victory. John Franco hurled 1 1-3 innings to set a club record with his 32nd save.

Doug Drabek, 19-6, lost for only the second time since the All-Star break. He left after four innings, his shortest start this season. He also fell to 11-3 in games following a Pittsburgh loss.

''They're still a game and a half up and we're still trying to catch them,'' Gooden said.

The Pirates took a 2-0 lead with two out and none on in the first. Andy Van Slyke doubled and Bobby Bonilla tripled. Barry Bonds dumped a double down the left-field line, scoring Bonilla.

Strawberry prevented the Pirates from making it 3-0 in the fourth. Bonds singled and stole second. One out later, Mike LaValliere singled to right. Strawberry charged, fielded the ball and gunned out Bonds at the plate.

Strawberry continued the momentum he created with the throw in the bottom of the inning.

Tom Herr singled to second baseman Jose Lind. Dave Magadan walked, and Strawberry drove a 2-0 pitch into the seats in right. His 34th homer of the year tied him with Ryne Sandberg and Kevin Mitchell for the NL lead. He has 100 RBI.

''It was an important home run, but charging the ball hard and making the throw was important,'' Strawberry said.

Bonds, who along with Strawberry is an NL MVP candidate, went 4 for 4 with two RBI, two steals and a defensive gem, but was thrown out twice on the basepaths.

''I hope Darryl gets everything he deserves,'' he said. ''I hope he gets the

money he deserves. He's a dominating player, probably the most dominating player in the National League.''

The victory improved the Mets' record at Shea Stadium to 50-22, tops in the majors. The clubs are scheduled to close the season with three games at Three Rivers Stadium, Oct. 1-3.

''At the All-Star break, Darryl and I talked and he said it would go down to the wire,'' Pittsburgh Manager Jim Leyland said. ''He was right.''

Elsewhere in the National League, Chicago nipped Philadelphia 6-5, Cincinnati topped Houston 7-5 and St. Louis downed Montreal 4-2.

In the American League it was: New York 7, Detroit 3; Baltimore 5, Toronto 3; Chicago 9, Boston 6; California 7, Seattle 1 and Minnesota 3, Oakland 1 in 10 innings.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Cubs 6, Phillies 5

At Chicago, Mark Grace went 4 for 4 with two RBI doubles to lead the Cubs. Joe Girardi scored the go-ahead run in the eighth inning after the Cubs blew a 5-1 lead. Paul Assenmacher improved to 5-2 and Les Lancaster picked up his sixth save. Roger McDowell, 6-7, was the loser. Lenny Dykstra went 1 for 5 and fell out of the NL batting lead for the first time since May 13.

Reds 7, Astros 5

At Cincinnati, Barry Larkin, who twice failed to put down a sacrifice, belted a two-run homer in the ninth inning to give the Reds the victory. Former Astro Bill Doran opened the ninth with his fourth single. Larkin, who failed on two straight pitches to get down a bunt, ripped Brian Meyer's third pitch over the left-field wall. Rob Dibble, 7-3, was the winner while Meyer, 0-3, took the loss.

Cardinals 4, Expos 2

At Montreal, Ray Lankford hit his first major league homer and Todd Zeile doubled in a run and scored another to lift the Cardinals. Lankford, homered in the first off Mark Gardner, 7-9. Felix Jose hit his first homer in the National League in the third for St. Louis. Tim Raines singled in the first to become the Expos' all-time hits leader with 1,576. Ken Dayley, 4-2, earned the victory.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - A former agent of the Mossad has gone into hiding as an appeals court lifted a lower court's ban on his memoirs, saying the Israeli government failed to prove its agents would be endangered by the book.

The ruling Thursday by the Appellate Division of state Supreme Court means St. Martin's Press may resume publication and distribution of ''By Way of Deception: The Making and Unmaking of a Mossad Officer,'' by ex- agent Victor Ostrovsky and a Canadian journalist Claire Hoy.

Ostrovsky's publisher said his client, who lives in Canada with his wife and two children, has gone into hiding after receiving a threatening visit from Israeli agents. Ostrovsky said he was offered money to stop publication of his book and now fears the spy agency may try to kill him.

The appeals court stayed a temporary restraining order issued Wednesday by state Supreme Court Justice Michael Dontzin, who responded to claims by the Israeli government that revelations in the 300-page tome would jeopardize its top secret agents.

However, the appeals court found the Israelis failed to support their claims that a book ban would prevent ''irreparable injury,'' particularly since the book was already sent to 1,500 wholesalers and book reviewers.

''Its claim that the safety of Israeli intelligence agents is endangered by defendants' further acts of publication and dissemination of the book 'By Way of Deception' has not been sufficiently supported,'' the appeals court ruled.

A lawyers for St. Martin's Press cheered the decision.

''It's an excellent decision from the point of view of the First Amendment,'' said Wayne Outten, a lawyer for the publisher.

''There has never been a holding like this before, where a foreign government has actually restrained American publication,'' Outten said.

Lawyers for the Israeli government were not available to comment on whether they will appeal to a higher court.

Judge Dotzin's ruling on the book by Ostrovsky, a Canadian native who moved to Israel at age 2 and who was a Mossad agent from 1984 to 1986, came just one week after the Israeli government won a similar injunction from a court in Ontario, Canada.

The book says the Mossad knew in advance of the Oct. 23, 1983, terrorist bombing of U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut, Lebanon, but did not warn Washington because it hoped the attack would ruin U.S.-Arab relations. The Beirut explosion killed 241 servicemen. Israeli government sources have denied the story.

The book also details a June 1981 Israeli air raid against an Iraqi nuclear research facility in Baghdad. Israel was said to believe the facility was to be the base of an Iraqi effort to develop nuclear weapons.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Backman 3b	4	0	1	0	Johnson ss	4	0	0	0
Bair p	0	0	0	0	Herr 2b	4	1	2	1
Patterson p	0	0	0	0	Magadan 1b	3	1	0	0
CMartinez ph	1	0	0	0	Strawberry rf	4	1	1	3
Bell ss	2	1	1	0	McReynlds lf	4	0	0	0
Van Slyke cf	4	1	2	0	Jefferies 3b	4	1	2	0
Bonilla rf	4	1	1	1	Boston cf	4	1	2	1
Bonds lf	4	0	4	2	O'brien c	2	1	1	1
Bream 1b	3	0	0	0	Gooden p	2	0	1	0
Redus 1b	1	0	0	0	Franco p	0	0	0	0
Lavalliere c	3	0	1	0					
Slaught ph	1	0	1	0					
Lind 2b	4	0	0	0					
Drabek p	1	0	0	0					
Cangelosi ph	1	0	0	0					
Kipper p	0	0	0	0					
Reynolds ph	1	0	0	0					
Belliard 3b	0	0	0	0					
King ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	35	3	11	3	Totals	31	6	9	6

Pittsburgh	200	000	010-	3
New York	000	400	20x-	6

E-Bonilla. LOB-Pittsburgh 7, New York 4. 2B-Van Slyke, Bonds, Slaught. 3B-Bonilla. HR-Strawberry (34), Boston (9). SB- Bonds 2 (47). S-Bell, Gooden.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Drabek (L 19-6)	4	6	4	4	1	0
Kipper	2	0	0	0	0	1
Bair	1-3	1	2	2	1	0
Patterson	1 2-3	2	0	0	0	2
New York						

Gooden (W 17-6)	7	2-3	10	3	3	1	5
Franco (S 32)	1	1-3	1	0	0	0	2

Umpires- Home, Gregg; 1b, Crawford; 2b, Harvey; 3b, Demuth.

T-2:52. A-51,079.

PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	5	0	1	1	Walton cf	5	1	2	1
Daulton c	5	0	2	2	Sandberg 2b	5	1	1	0
VHayes lf	4	0	1	1	Grace 1b	4	2	4	2
Murphy rf	4	1	1	1	Dawson rf	4	1	2	1
Kruk 1b	4	0	1	0	Salazar 3b	4	0	0	1
CHayes 3b	3	0	0	0	Dunston ss	4	0	0	0
Thon ss	4	1	2	0	Girardi c	4	1	2	1
Morandini 2b	4	1	2	0	Dascenzo lf	2	0	0	0
Ruffin p	1	0	0	0	Sutcliffe p	2	0	0	0
Hollins ph	0	1	0	0	SWilson p	0	0	0	0
Ontiveros p	0	0	0	0	Assenmchr p	0	0	0	0
Jordan ph	1	1	1	0	DwSmith ph	1	0	0	0
Boever p	0	0	0	0	Lancaster p	0	0	0	0
Ready ph	1	0	0	0					
RMcDowell p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	36	5	11	5	Totals	35	6	11	6

Philadelphia	010	020	200- 5
Chicago	203	000	01x- 6

E-Thon, VHayes. DP-Philadelphia 1, Chicago 1. LOB-Philadelphia 8, Chicago 8.
2B-Morandini 2, Daulton, Walton, Grace 2, Dawson, Sandberg. HR-Murphy (21).
SF- VHayes.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Ruffin	4	7	5	4	1	1
Ontiveros	2	2	0	0	1	1
Boever	1	1	0	0	0	1
RMcDowell (L 6-7)	1	1	1	0	1	0
Chicago						
Sutcliffe	4 2-3	6	3	3	1	0
SWilson	1 1-3	3	2	2	1	2
Assenmacher (W 5-2)	2	1	0	0	1	2
Lancaster (S 6)	1	1	0	0	0	0

Wilson Pitched To 3 Batters In The 7th.

WP-Sutcliffe, Assenmacher.

Umpires- Home, Froemming; 1b, Pulli; 2b, Rippley; 3b, Darling.

T-2:52. A-15,495.

ST LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Pena 2b	5	1	2	0	Raines lf	4	1	1	1
Hudler lf	5	1	1	0	DaMartinz cf	3	1	1	0
Lankford cf	5	1	3	2	Nixon cf	2	0	1	0
Guerrero 1b	5	0	4	1	Deshields 2b	4	0	1	1
Brewer 1b	0	0	0	0	TWallach 3b	5	0	0	0
Jose rf	4	0	1	0	Walker rf	2	1	1	0
Tudor p	0	0	0	0	Hall p	0	0	0	0
Pendleton ph	1	0	0	0	Gross p	0	0	0	0
LeSmith p	0	0	0	0	Galarraga 1b	4	1	2	1
Zeile 3b	2	2	2	0	Santovenia c	4	0	0	0
Pagnozzi c	4	1	1	0	Roomes pr	0	0	0	0
Jones ss	4	0	1	1	Mercado c	0	0	0	0
Olivares p	2	0	0	1	Owen ss	4	0	1	1
Thompson rf	1	0	0	0	Sampen p	0	0	0	0
					Aldrete ph	0	0	0	0
					Mohorcic p	1	0	0	0
					Alou ph	1	0	1	0
					Rojas p	0	0	0	0
					Grissom rf	1	0	0	0
Totals	38	6	15	5	Totals	35	4	9	4

St Louis	120	110	100-	6
Montreal	020	010	001-	4

E-T Wallach, G Pena, Pagnozzi. LOB-St Louis 8, Montreal 9. 2B-Zeile, Galarraga. HR-Lankford (2). SB-Pena (1), Hudler (18), Nixon (44), Raines (43). SF-Olivares.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St Louis						
Olivares (W 1-0)	6	6	3	3	5	3
Tudor	2	2	0	0	0	0
Le Smith (S 26)	1	1	1	0	0	1
Montreal						
Sampen (L 10-6)	2	6	3	2	0	0
Mohorcic	4	5	2	2	1	1
Rojas	1 1-3	2	1	1	1	0

Hall	1	2	0	0	0	0
Ke Gross	2-3	0	0	0	0	0

Balk-Olivares. PB-Santovenia.

Umpires- Home, West; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Wendelstedt.

T-2:57. A- 9,185.

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Yelding ss	5	2	3	1	Doran 2b	5	3	4	0
Candaele lf	3	0	2	0	Larkin ss	4	2	1	2
Rhodes cf	4	0	1	0	Morris 1b	4	0	3	1
Osuna p	0	0	0	0	EDavis lf	4	1	1	3
Gonzalez ph	1	0	0	0	O'Neill rf	4	0	0	0
Meyer p	0	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	4	1	1	0
GDavis 1b	5	1	3	2	Reed c	3	0	1	0
Caminiti 3b	4	1	1	1	Hatcher cf	1	0	0	0
Anthony rf	3	0	0	0	Winnnghm cf	3	0	2	1
Biggio c	4	0	1	0	Duncan ph	1	0	0	0
Cedeno ss	2	0	0	0	Oliver c	0	0	0	0
Ramirez ss	2	0	0	0	Mahler p	0	0	0	0
Gullickson p	2	1	1	1	Scudder p	0	0	0	0
Oberkfell ph	1	0	0	0	Benzinger ph	1	0	0	0
Clancy p	0	0	0	0	Brown p	0	0	0	0
Young cf	1	0	0	0	Lee ph	1	0	0	0
					Dibble p	0	0	0	0
Totals	37	5	12	5	Totals	35	7	13	7

None out when winning run scored.

Houston	110	001	200-	5
Cincinnati	110	000	302-	7

DP-Houston 1. LOB-Houston 8, Cincinnati 7. 3B-Morris. HR-Yelding (1), Gullickson (1), Caminiti (3), GDavis (22), EDavis (21), Larkin (6). SB-Doran (21). S-Mahler, Candaele.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Gullickson	5	8	2	2	1	0
Clancy	1 1-3	3	3	3	1	1
Osuna	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Meyer (L 0-3)	0	2	2	2	0	0
Cincinnati						
Mahler	2	4	2	2	1	2

Scudder	4	4	1	1	1	1
Brown	2	2	2	2	0	3
Dibble (W 7-3)	1	2	0	0	0	2

Mahler pitched to one batter in the third inning. Meyer pitched to two batters in the 9th inning.

Umpires-Home, Hohn; 1b, Davis; 2b, Layne; 3b, Winters.

T-3:02. A-17,820.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 14) UPI - Share prices on the Tokyo stock market eased for a second day in a row Friday on technical selling.

The key Nikkei average of 225 selected stocks, which lost 141.06 points Thursday, dropped another 177.62 points to close at 24,897.46.

The broader Tokyo Stock Price Index closed at 1,895.68 points, down 17.00 points. TOPIX had slipped by a marginal 1.04 points Thursday.

Volume was estimated at 530 million shares, down slightly from 565.85 million shares traded the day before.

A wave of selling orders related to a quarterly closing date for arbitrage positions pushed the market down, brokers said.

Some of the selling pressure was offset by continued bargain-hunting of smaller, high-growth stocks, they said.

The day started with a backlog of selling orders by arbitrageurs eager to depress the Nikkei in order to get the best possible so-called special quotation for futures, said Mitsuru Maekawa, director of equity sales at Jardine Fleming (Securities).

The quotation rate was to be set according to the level of the Nikkei Friday.

Wall Street's overnight loss added to the selling pressure, other brokers said.

Selective buying was encouraged by the yen's continued appreciation against the U.S. dollar, they said.

But declines outnumbered advances by more than 2:1, they said.

Pharmaceuticals, automakers and electrical issues were among the hard-hit sectors.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - This is not the time for the Toronto Blue Jays to slow down. Afterall, they are trying to catch the first-place Boston Red Sox.

David Segui and Steve Finley each drove in two runs during a five-run sixth inning and rookie Jose Mesa scattered six hits over 6 2-3 innings Thursday night to pace the Baltimore Orioles to a 5-3 victory over Toronto, which trails the Red Sox by four games in the American League East.

Toronto Manager Cito Gaston canceled batting practice before the game because the Blue Jays arrived back in Toronto at 4 a.m. EDT following a three-game series in Kansas City.

''It may not have been the best time to have the day off (from batting practice),'' third baseman Kelly Gruber said. ''But we didn't play that badly on the road (they won two of three).

''The worst part of this game is always the travel. It really exhausts you and yeah, we're tired.''

The Blue Jays and Red Sox each have 18 games remaining.

''I slept all day,'' Toronto catcher Pat Borders said. ''We started slow and just coudn't catch up. We were tired and didn't work.''

But Mesa and the rest of the Orioles did.

''I was impressed with his composure,'' Rance Mullinicks of Toronto said. ''He kept the hitter off balance and really mixed his pitches up well.''

Mesa, 1-2, picked up his first victory and Grgg Olson pitched 1 1-3 innings for his 31st save. Toronto's ace, Dave Stieb, went 5 2-3 innings, allowing five runs and 10 hits. Stieb, who recently pitched a no-hitter against Cleveland, dropped to 18-6.

''I didn't think that Dave had his best stuff tonight,'' Gaston said. ''He wasn't sharp with his breaking ball and had trouble with his slider. He just wasn't getting it over.''

Orioles Manager Frank Robinson said of Stieb: ''The law of averages just caught up to him. I thought he was still pretty good, but we were fortunate to get some runs (off him).''

After Cal Ripken Jr. led off with a ground-rule double and Sam Horn walked, Mickey Tettleton singled home Ripken. Craig Wothington walked to load the

bases.

After Mike Devereaux flied out, Segui doubled home Horn and Tettleton that gave the Orioles a 3-0 edge. Bill Ripken struck out swinging before Finley singled home Worthington and Segui.

In other American League action, New York caged Detroit 7-3, Chicago downed Boston 9-6, Minnesota tripped Oakland 3-1 in 10 innings and California sunk Seattle 7-1.

In the National League, it was: Chicago 6, Philadelphia 5; New York 6, Pittsburgh 3; Montreal 6, St. Louis 4 and Cincinnati 7, Houston 5.

Yankees 7, Tigers 3

At Detroit, Kevin Mass' two-run first inning homer backed Mitt Witt's five-hitter to lead New York. Witt, 4-8, recorded his second complete game. Walt Terrell, 4-4, took the loss, allowing Mass' 18th home run of the season. Witt had retired 11 straight batters until Cecil Fielder led off the ninth inning with his major league leading 46th homer.

White Sox 9, Red Sox 6

At Chicago, Ivan Calderon smacked a three-run homer and Matt Stark added a two-run double to lift Chicago. Rookie Alex Fernandez, 3-3, won his first game since Aug. 23, despite giving up nine hits and walking three in the first five innings. Ken Patterson recorded one out for his second save. Tom Bolton, 9-3, allowed Calderon's 13th homer of the season.

Twins 3, Athletics 1, 10 innings

At Oakland, Calif., pinch-hitter Paul Sorrento smacked a two-run homer in the 10th inning to help Minnesota snap its four-game losing streak. Juan Berenguer 8-3, pitched two scoreless innings for the triumph. Gene Nelson, 3-3, the fourth Oakland pitcher, took the loss.

Angels 7, Mariners 1

At Anaheim, Calif., rookie Lee Stevens and Dick Schofield each singled home two runs during a seven-run seventh inning to power California to its fourth straight victory. Chuck Finley, 18-6, pitched his sixth complete game. Reliever Keith Comstock, 7-4, took the loss.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi
Kelly cf	6	1	3	1	Phillips 3b	3	1	1	0
Sax 2b	3	1	1	0	Fryman 3b	0	0	0	0
Tolleson 2b	1	0	0	0	Whitaker 2b	4	0	1	1
Maas 1b	3	2	1	2	Trammell ss	3	0	0	1
Hall dh	5	1	2	0	Fielder 1b	4	1	1	1
Barfield rf	4	0	2	2	Moseby lf	4	0	0	0
Meulens lf	2	0	0	1	Bergman 1b	3	0	1	0
Nokes c	3	0	1	0	Lemon rf	3	0	0	0
Cerone c	2	0	0	0	Heath c	2	1	1	0
Leyritz 3b	4	0	0	0	Salas c	1	0	0	0
Espinoza ss	3	2	0	0	Cuyler cf	3	0	0	0
Totals	36	7	10	6	Totals	30	3	5	3

New York	201	112	000-	7
Detroit	002	000	001-	3

E-Lemon. DP-New York 1, Detroit 1. LOB-New York 12, Detroit 4. 2B-Heath, Kelly. 3B-Kelly. HR-Maas (18), Fielder (46). Sb-Nokes (2), Kelly (35). SF-Trammell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Witt (W 4-8)	9	5	3	3	3	4
Detroit						
Terrell (L 4-4)	3 1-3	6	4	4	1	1
Nunez	2 1-3	3	3	2	3	3
Gibson	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Parker	3	1	0	0	2	1

WP-Witt, Nunez. HBP-By Terrell (Leyritz, Meulens, Espinoza); By Nunez (Meulens).

Umpires-Home, Clark; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, Roe; 3b, McCoy.

T-3:00. A-13,152.

BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi
Finley rf	5	0	2	2	Wilson cf	5	0	2	0
Anderson lf	5	0	1	0	Fernandez ss	4	0	1	0
CRipken ss	5	1	1	0	Gruber 3b	4	0	1	0
Horn dh	3	1	2	0	Bell dh	4	0	1	0
Tettleton c	3	1	1	1	McGriff 1b	4	0	1	0
Worthngtn 3b	2	1	1	0	Ducey lf	1	1	0	0

Devereaux cf	4	0	0	0	Williams lf	1	1	0	0
Segui 1b	4	1	2	2	Borders c	3	1	2	1
BRipken 2b	4	0	1	0	Mulliniks ph	1	0	1	1
					Diaz c	0	0	0	0
					Lee 2b	2	0	0	0
					Olerud ph	1	0	0	0
					Sojo 2b	0	0	0	0
					Felix rf	3	0	0	1
Totals	35	5	11	5	Totals	33	3	9	3

Baltimore	000	005	000-	5
Toronto	000	000	210-	3

E-B Ripken. DP-Baltimore 2, Toronto 1. LOB-Baltimore 7, Toronto 8. 2B-C Ripken Segui, Fernandez, Borders.

Price pitched to one batter in the 7th. Bautista pitched to one batter in the 8th.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
Mesa (W 1-2)	6 2-3	6	2	2	4	3
Price	0	0	0	0	1	0
Bautista	1-3	1	1	0	0	0
Ballard	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Olson (S 31)	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	2
Toronto						
Stieb (L 18-6)	5 2-3	10	5	5	3	3
Acker	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Leiter	3	0	0	0	1	2

Umpires-Home, Denkinger; 1b, Shulock; 2b, Merrill; 3b, McClelland.

T-3:16. A-49,875.

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Reed 2b	4	0	2	0	Calderon lf	5	2	2	3
Kutcher 2b	1	1	1	0	Johnson cf	5	2	2	0
Pena c	5	0	0	1	Fisk c	4	1	2	1
Boggs 3b	4	1	1	1	Thomas 1b	2	1	2	1
Burks cf	5	1	2	2	Stark dh	3	0	1	2
Greenwell lf	5	1	3	1	Pasqua dh	1	0	0	1
Brunansky rf	4	0	2	1	Sosa rf	3	1	0	0
Marshall 1b	4	0	0	0	Fletcher 2b	3	0	1	1
Plantier dh	3	1	0	0	Ventura 3b	4	1	2	0
Rivera ss	4	1	1	0	Guillen ss	4	1	1	0

Totals	39	6	12	6	Totals	34	9	13	9

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Chicago	013	301	01x- 9

E-Boggs. DP-Boston 1. LOB-Boston 10, Chicago 9. 2B-Calderon, Stark, Johnson. HR-Calderon (13), Burks (19), Greenwell (11). SB-Sosa 2 (28). S-Fletcher.SF-Pasqua.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Bolton (L 9-3)	3 1-3	9	7	7	2	3
Irvine	2 1-3	2	1	1	3	3
Gardner	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Hetzel	1	2	1	1	1	0
Chicago						
Fernandez (W 3-3)	7	9	3	3	3	5
Pall	1 2-3	3	3	3	1	1
Patterson (S 2)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

WP-Fernandez.

Umpires-Home, Palermo; 1b, Reilly; 2b, Garcia; 3b, Hendry.

T-3:26. A-27,648.

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Gladden lf	4	0	0	0	Jennings lf	4	1	0	0
Liriano 2b	3	0	0	0	McGee cf	4	0	1	0
Newman 2b	1	0	0	0	JCanseco rf	5	0	0	0
Puckett cf	3	0	0	0	Baines dh	1	0	0	1
Gaetti 3b	4	0	1	0	Blanknshp pr	0	0	0	0
Hrbek 1b	4	1	1	1	Quirk ph	0	0	0	0
Harper c	3	0	1	0	RHendrsn pr	0	0	0	0
Leius pr	0	1	0	0	Lansford 3b	3	0	0	0
Ortiz c	0	0	0	0	McGwire 1b	3	0	0	0
Bush dh	2	0	0	0	Steinbach c	4	0	1	0
Mack dh	1	0	0	0	Randolph 2b	1	0	0	0
Sorrento ph	1	1	1	2	Hassey ph	1	0	0	0
Larkin rf	3	0	1	0	Weiss ss	0	0	0	0
Moses rf	1	0	0	0	Gallego ss	3	0	1	0
Gagne ss	4	0	0	0					
Totals	34	3	5	3	Totals	29	1	3	1

Minnesota	010	000	000	2- 3

Oakland 100 000 000 0- 1

E-Steinbach. DP-Oakland 1. LOB- Minnesota 3, Oakland 11. HR-Hrbek (22), Sorrento (5). SB-Larkin (5), RHenderson (60). S-Gallego, Lansford. SF-Baines.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Erickson	8	3	1	0	8	4
Berenguer (W 8-3)	2	0	0	0	1	2
Oakland						
Burns	7	3	1	1	1	0
Honeycutt	1	1	0	0	0	1
Eckersley	1	0	0	0	0	0
Nelson (L 3-3)	1	1	2	2	1	0

PB-Harper 2. HBP-Lansford By Erickson.

Umpires-Home, Coble; 1b, Ford; 2b, Evans; 3b, Welke.

T-2:44. A-26,622.

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	5	0	3	0	Polonia lf	4	1	3	0
Martinez 3b	4	0	1	0	Ray 2b	4	1	2	1
Griffey Jr cf	3	0	0	0	Rose 2b	0	0	0	0
Brumley lf	1	0	0	0	CDavis dh	4	1	3	0
ADavis dh	4	0	1	0	Winfield rf	5	0	0	1
Buhner rf	4	0	1	0	Stevens 1b	5	1	1	2
Cotto cf	4	0	1	0	Parrish c	4	1	1	0
O'Brien 1b	3	0	1	0	Howell 3b	3	1	1	1
Valle C	3	1	1	1	Schofield ss	4	1	2	2
Vizquel Ss	4	0	0	0	White cf	3	0	0	0
Totals	35	1	9	1	Totals	36	7	13	7

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LOB-Seattle 10, California 10. 2B-Ray, Reynolds, Howell. HR-Valle (7). S-White.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Delucia	6 1-3	6	1	1	2	3
Comstock (L 7-4)	0	1	3	3	2	0
Swift	2-3	4	3	3	0	1

Jackson	1	2	0	0	0	1
California						
Finley (W 18-6)	9	9	1	1	3	7

Comstock pitched to 3 batters in the 7th.

WP-Finley.

Umpires-Home, Brinkman; 1b, Cousins; 2b, Reed; 3b, Cooney.

T-2:46. A-21,683.

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MANAGUA, Nicaragua (SEPT. 14) UPI - The Sandinista Front urged citizens to use ''whatever means available'' to protest unpopular policies, blaming the government for what it called the country's worst crisis in recent years.

Luis Carrion, a leader of the nine-member Sandinista directorate, read a party statement at a news briefing Thursday, denouncing President Violeta Chamorro's economic policies and accusing her of failing to begin the reconciliation process she has promised.

''The country and the Nicaraguan people are in the most profound social and economic crisis of recent years,'' Carrion said. ''Unemployment in the countryside and the city has left thousands of families in hunger and desperation. Nicaragua, in a few short months, has become one of the most expensive countries in the world.''

''The Sandinista Front calls on the workers and all the people to keep up belligerent actions and to struggle for their legitimate rights by whatever means possible,'' Carrion said.

''There has been a popular struggle that obliged the government to initiate its reconciliation program, and there will be a popular struggle to see that it is carried out to a successful culmination,'' he added.

The Chamorro government said after a violent, nationwide strike in July that there would be a national dialogue on reconciliation, to include all social sectors including the Sandinista workforce.

Government officials said the dialogue would begin in September, but nothing has been scheduled so far.

Diplomats in Managua had said they expected the Sandinistas to call for some sort of social upheaval before Chamorro's scheduled trip to New York Sept. 26

to address the U.N. General Assembly.

The government has blamed more than 10 years of Sandinista rule for the economic crisis, saying the country was in ruins when Chamorro took office and accusing the Sandinistas of blocking the reforms it deems necessary for recovery.

Carrion said the Sandinistas favor ''an authentic national reconciliation,'' which he described as ''a direct negotiation between the government, the workers, the small producers in the countryside and the cities, and the businessmen to bring about equal distribution of costs and sacrifices necessary to achieve maximum economic stability.''

He repeated Sandinista criticisms of Chamorro's plans to privatize state-run industries and return confiscated land to its former owners. He also blamed the government for uncontrolled inflation.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	84	60	.583	-	42-29	41-31	6-4	L-2
New York	82	61	.573	1 1/2	50-22	32-39	5-5	W-4
Montreal	75	68	.524	8 1/2	40-29	35-39	5-5	L-1
Chicago	68	75	.475	15 1/2	36-38	32-37	6-4	W-3
Philadel.	65	78	.454	18 1/2	35-36	30-42	2-8	L-4
St. Louis	65	79	.451	19	32-40	33-39	5-5	W-1
West								
Cincinnati	81	61	.570	-	40-27	40-34	4-6	W-1
San Fran.	75	68	.524	6 1/2	42-29	33-38	8-2	W-5
Los Angeles	75	68	.524	6 1/2	42-30	33-37	4-6	W-1
San Diego	66	76	.465	15	36-40	28-37	5-5	L-1
Houston	64	79	.448	17 1/2	40-27	24-51	4-6	L-1
Atlanta	58	85	.406	23 1/2	33-38	25-47	5-5	L-4

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

BATTING (Minimum 335 at-bats)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.

RHenderson, Oak	437	107	143	.327
Brett, KC	496	77	162	.327
Palmeiro, Tex	525	65	170	.324
Trammell, Det	521	67	162	.311
Boggs, Bos	560	84	174	.311
Burks, Bos	516	80	159	.308
Parker, Mil	544	66	167	.307
McGriff, Tor	486	84	149	.307
Harper, Min	438	58	134	.306
Puckett, Min	490	79	149	.304

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Dykstra, Phi	534	97	179	.335
Magadan, NY	390	67	128	.328
Murray, LA	488	84	155	.318
Dawson, Chi	470	61	147	.313
Grace, Chi	521	63	162	.311
Doran, Cin	371	56	115	.310
LSmith, Atl	401	61	124	.309
Gwynn, SD	566	77	175	.309
Bonds, Pit	467	93	144	.308

HOME RUNS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 46; McGwire, Oak 37; Canseco, Oak 36; McGriff, Tor 34; Deer, Mil 27.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Mitchell, SF, Sandberg, Chi and Strawberry, NY 34; Bonilla, Pit 31; Williams, SF 30.

RUNS BATTED IN

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 118; McGwire, Oak 101; Gruber, Tor 99; Canseco, Oak 93; Sierra, Tex and Parker, Mil 87.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Williams, SF 111; Bonilla, Pit 106; Bonds, Pit and Carter, SD 105; Strawberry, NY 100.

DOUBLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Brett, KC 43; Jo.Reed and Boggs, Bos 42; Calderon, Chi 41; Harper, Min 39.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Jefferies, NY 38; Dykstra, Phi 35; Bonilla, Pit and Johnson, NY 34; Sabo, Cin, Roberts, SD, Presley, Atl and Wallach, Mtl 33.

TRIPLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fernandez, Tor 16; Sosa, Chi 9; Liriano, Min and Burks, Bos 8; Johnson, Chi, Brett and Eisenreich, KC and Pettis, Tex 7.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Duncan, Cin 11; Coleman, StL 9; Dunston, Chi, Gwynn, SD and L.Smith, Atl 8.

STOLEN BASES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 60; Sax, NY 36; Kelly, NY 35; Pettis, Tex 33; Calderon, Chi 31.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 56; Bonds, Pit 47; Nixon, Mtl 44; Raines, Mtl 43.

RUNS SCORED

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 107; Fielder, Det 92; Yount, Mil 90; Franco Tex and Phillips, Det 86.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Bonilla, Pit 105; Sandberg, Chi 103; Dykstra, Phi 97; Gant, Atl and Bonds, Pit 93.

HITS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Boggs, Bos 174; Palmeiro, Tex 170; Parker, Mil 167; Griffey, Jr, Sea 166; Kelly, NY, 163.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Dykstra, Phi 179; Gwynn, SD 175; McGee, StL 168; Sandberg, Chi 167; Larkin, Cin 166.

VICTORIES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Welch, Oak 23; Clemens, Bos 20; Stewart, Oak 19; Stieb, Tor and Finley, Cal 18.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Drabek, Pit 19; Viola, NY 18; Martinez, LA and Gooden, NY 17; Smoltz, Atl, Browning, Cin and Maddux, Chi 13.

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 115 innings pitched)

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 1.98; Finley, Cal 2.45; Stewart, Oak 2.77; McCaskill, Cal, 2.81; Appier, KC 2.82.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Darwin, Hou, 2.04; Tudor, StL 2.40; Whitson, SD 2.42; Viola, NY 2.56; Drabek, Pit 2.75.

STRIKEOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 204; Ryan, Tex 197; Witt, Tex 196; Hanson, Sea 185; Johnson, Sea 177; Langston, Cal 174.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Cone, NY 201; Martinez, LA 200; Gooden, NY 194; Smoltz, Atl 157; Fernandez, NY 156.

SAVES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Thigpen, Chi 49; Eckersley, Oak 42; Jones, Cle 34; Olson, Bal and Righetti, NY 31.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Franco, NY 32; Myers, Cin 29; Smith, StL 26; Lefferts, SD and Smith, Hou 23.

COMPLETE GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Morris, Det 9; Stewart, Oak 8; Clemens, Bos 7; Gordon, KC, Brown and Witt, Tex, Leary, NY, Young, Sea and Finley, Cal 6.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 9; Maddux, Chi, Drabek, Pit, De.Martinez, Mtl, Hurst, SD and Viola, NY 7.

SHUTOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 4; Appier, KC and Stewart, Oak 3; 11 players tied with 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner and Boyd, Mtl, Viola, NY; Whitson and Hurst, SD 3.

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (SEPT. 14) UPI - A gang of five men fatally shot three taxi drivers and firebombed their vehicles at a taxi stand in the nation's largest black township of Soweto Friday, escalating the factional violence raging across townships, police said.

The gang gunned down the three drivers at pointblank range and wounded three passengers before setting fire to the minibuses, police spokesman Capt. Joseph Ngobeni said.

The attack took place near Soweto's major Baragwanath Hospital and followed a similar attack late Wednesday, when four gunmen sprayed a downtown taxi stand with automatic gunfire, killing three people and wounding five.

The incident Friday came amid a building wave of township clashes and two savage, back-to-back internecine killing sprees, which pushed the death toll to more than 720 since the fighting flared around Johannesburg Aug. 12.

Two gangs Thursday rampaged through a train and with guns, knives, and machetes slaughtered at least 26 people and injured more than 100.

The train attack prompted President Frederik de Klerk to say in an urgent late-night statement the ''new South Africa'' envisaged in his 7- month-old program of racial reform ''is being threatened'' by the spreading internecine conflict.

He gave notice the government will be taking further steps to quell the violence next week, tacitly conceding emergency rule and effective martial law he imposed to quash the tribal-style battles Aug. 26 had failed.

Hysteria peaked in the hard-hit townships east of Johannesburg Thursday when thousands of refugees poured out of war-torn black townships seeking safety from renewed clashes which razed hundreds of houses and shacks.

Women, children and infants crowded into the halls and stairwells of clinics and a hospital, collapsing with exhaustion and seeking refuge from the fierce battles between Zulu migrant workers - followers of the Inkatha movement - and residents who are predominantly Xhosa supporters of the African National Congress. The women and children also sought refuge from power outages by authorities trying to stop a utility payment boycott.

Police have been deployed in the townships trying to curb the clashes, but the ANC has accused them of siding with Inkatha - popular among whites for its political flexibility.

ANC leader Nelson Mandela warned Tuesday the government was not doing all it could to restore peace, and noted if it did not act, the violence would threaten talks between his movement and Pretoria on ending 42 years of white minority rule.

Mandela did not specify steps to be taken, but has branded the three- month renewable emergency measures imposed in the 27 hardest-hit townships around Johannesburg ''totally useless.''

He noted a 51-month-old state of emergency in strife-torn Natal province has failed to stem battles between the ANC and Inkatha which since 1987 have killed up to 4,000 people.

But Mandela has refused to meet directly with Inkatha President Mangosuthu Buthelezi, charging the Zulu chief is fomenting the conflict to undermine the ANC's preeminent position among black movements before formal power-sharing talks with the the government.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - A cold front moved through the Midwest bringing high winds and heavy rain to most of the region Friday and prompting tornado warnings in Wisconsin, while the West was hot and the South cool.

The front moved across Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Missouri and Michigan, and brought relief from warm temperatures.

A tornado watch remained in effect for south central and southeast Minnesota and west central and northern Wisconsin through Friday morning as thunderstorms with heavy rain and high wind passed through the area.

No tornadoes were reported, but gusty winds and frequent lightning were reported in several storms.

Strong northwest winds followed the front in Iowa and Sioux City, Fort Dodge and Spencer were hit with occasional gusts to 45 mph. Forecasters warned boaters and drivers of high-profile vehicles such as tractor trailers, campers and van to prepare for the gusts.

Patchy dense fog covered the northern mountains and northern foothills of North Carolina and the Lehigh Valley in Pennsylvania, where visibility at Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton Airport in Allentown was near zero.

Muggy and humid weather prevailed Friday throughout much of the Northeast, with some morning fog expected in upstate New York. But the hot and hazy skies were expected to give way to sunny skies throughout most of the day throughout New York, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts.

Hot weather covered the West, as Las Vegas suffered under 106 degree temperatures, 10 degrees above normal for the date.

The South saw some changes. Overcast skies and scattered thunderstorms lowered temperatures in most of the region to the 80s after a stretch of 90-to-100-degree weather. Some parts of Mississippi got between 1 and 2 inches of rain.

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LONDON (SEPT. 14) UPI - The fear of lower U.S. interest rates pushed the dollar lower against the major European currencies Friday, after the U.S. Federal Reserve Board Chairman, Alan Greenspan suggested that the U.S. central bank might ease monetary policy if a credible budget deficit reduction deal could be reached, analysts said.

The dollar opened lower in Frankfurt at 1.5673 German marks from 1.5750 at Thursday's close, and was also down in Zurich at 1.3055 Swiss francs from 1.3195.

In London, the pound particularly benefitted from the dollar's decline, and recovered over a cent to open at $1.8865 vs. $1.8750.

The dollar was lower in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at 5.2480 French francs vs. 5.3315, 32.25 Belgian francs vs. 32.74, and 1,167.50 Italian lire vs. 1,186.45.

Earlier in Tokyo, the U.S. dollar plummeted against the Japanese yen for the third straight session, following its overnight decline in New York.

The dollar closed at 136.55 yen, down 1.10 yen from Thursday's close of 137.65 yen, the Bank of Japan said.

Institutional investors continued to sell the dollar after it plunged in New York overnight on Greenspan's remark.

Elsewhere in Asian markets, the dollar closed lower in Singapore at 1.7730 Singapore dollars from 1.7780, and followed the lower trend in Hong Kong to close at 7.7650 Hong Kong dollars from 7.7690.

Hong Kong gold closed higher at $384.85 an ounce from Thursday's closing rate of $382.35.

Gold opened higher in Zurich at $383.50 an ounce vs. $382.50, and also was up in London at $384.75 an ounce from $383.75.

Silver opened unchanged in Zurich at $4.80 an ounce, and also was unchanged in London at $4.82 an ounce.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange eased in light trading Friday for the second consecutive session of technical selling.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected stocks, which lost 141.06 points Thursday, dropped another 177.62 points to 24,897.46.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, which slipped 1.04 points Thursday, fell 17.00 points to 1,895.68.

Volume was estimated at around 530 million shares, down slightly from the 566 million shares changing hands Thursday.

Declines outnumbered advances by more than a 2-to-1 margin.

Analysts said a small wave of sell orders related to a quarterly closing date for arbitrage positions pushed the market lower.

Some of the selling pressure was offset by continued bargain-hunting of smaller, high-growth stocks, market watchers added.

The day started with a backlog of selling orders by arbitrageurs eager to depress the Nikkei in order to get the best possible so-called special quotation for futures, said Mitsuru Maekawa, director of equity sales at Jardine Fleming Securities.

The quotation rate was to be set according to the level of the Nikkei Friday.

Wall Street's 43.07 points loss on Thursday also added to the selling pressure analysts said.

Selective buying was encouraged by the Japanese yen's continued appreciation against the U.S. dollar.

On the Tokyo Foreign Exchange the U.S. dollar plummeted against the Japanese yen for the third straight session closing at 136.55 yen, down 1.10 yen from Thursday's close of 137.65 yen, the Bank of Japan reported.

On the trading floor, pharmaceuticals, automakers and electrical issues were among the hard-hit sectors.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks closed sharply lower in light trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange with the Middle East crisis keeping investors on the sidelines.

The Hang Seng Index, which lost 11.07 points Thursday, tumbled 31.93 points to 3,062.04.

Among the narrower indexes, financials dropped 21.36 points, utilities lost 20.52, industrials shed 35.34 and properties plunged 60.09 points.

Volume remained extremely light as an estimated 520 million shares changed hands, compared with 657 million shares Thursday.

''A lot of people don't want to hold their stocks over the weekend with all the uncertainty about the Gulf,'' said David Harman of Morgan Grenfell.

''If nothing terrible happens in the Middle East in the next two days, people will probably buy again on Monday.''

Stocks began sinking from the opening bell, losing more than 30 points before

a mild rally around midmorning.

After opening afternoon trading slightly higher, stocks began a slide that lasted for the remainder of the session.

In Bangkok, stock prices slumped by more than 4 percent on the Thailand Stock Exchange, reflecting concerns about the economic effects of higher petroleum prices.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index tumbled 33.11 points or 4.2 percent to 759.98. An estimated 1.7 billion shares changed hands.

''The market was more depressed today than any other day this week,'' said Worakit Disayabuth, a stock exchange spokesman.

Disayabuth said the depressed market seemed to be reacting in part to increases of up to 5 percent in domestic fuel prices put into effect Thursday and fears of the effects high oil prices would have on the economy.

''Investors fear world stock markets have not yet found their low points,'' Disayabuth said.

The Thailand stock market has lost more than 33 percent of its value since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

In Singapore, stock prices closed lower in light, featureless trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in line with the falls in Tokyo and Wall Street sparked by fears of an escalation of the Middle East conflict.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which lost 6.94 points Thursday, fell another 14.97 points to 1,226.83. The broader-based All Singapore Index fell 3.66 points to 346.76.

An estimated 43.8 million shares changed hands, compared with 51.6 million shares Thursday.

Analysts said trading was once again mainly by small investors, who concentrated on Malaysian speculatives traded on the over-the-counter market.

Frustrations with the drawn-out negotiations on a U.S. deficit- reduction package also discouraged investors, analysts said.

On the trading floor, Palmo Holdings paced the advancing issues followed by Spore Land, Rothmans (M), Roxy Electric and, British American Tobacco.

DBS foreign shares led the declining issues followed by Keppel Corp., SIA Co., Jurong Shipyard and OCBC foreign shares.

In Australia, stock prices closed sharply lower on the Sydney Sharemarket in a backlash from Wall Street's 43-point fall on Thursday.

The All Industrials Index, which fell 17.8 points Thursday, dropped 14.8 points to 1,480.1.

An estimated 74 million shares chnaged hands, compared with 59.8 million shares Thursday.

Declines outpaced advances 192 to 104, while 205 stocks remained unchanged.

Analysts said confidence was also eroded by an announcement that troubled Northern Star Holdings, licensee of the national Channel Ten Television Network, was about to be liquidated by creditor Westpac Bank.

Northern Star fell 3 cents to just 1 cent a share.

Elsewhere, CRA Mining fell 10 cents to $11.25, BHP lost 15 cents to $11.10, News Corp. lost 45 cents to $10.80, Brambles fell 30 cents to $13.35 and Adsteam tumbled 19 cents to $3.06.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - The U-N Security Council has authorized distribution of food to refugees stranded in Iraq and Kuwait, but the council wants to make sure Iraq doesN'T try to divert the aid to its army or people. To make sure the food goes to refugees, the council says distribution must be supervised by the Red Cross or international relief agencies. The food aid is being allowed under ''humanitarian circumstances.'' .

Secretary of State Baker met with Syria's President Hafez Assad today in Damascus... in an attempt to coordinate the two nations' efforts to force Iraq out of Kuwait. It's the first trip to Syria by a U-S secretary of state since the early 1980's. The United States has accused Syria of aiding international terrorism, but the two countries are in agreement in condemning Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Police in South Africa say a gang of five men gunned down three taxi drivers today at pointblank range in the black township of Soweto near Johannesburg. They also injured three passengers before setting fire to the vehicles. The attack comes one day after two gangs rampaged through a commuter train near Johannesburg, killing at least 26 people and injuring more than 100.

A New York appeals court says Israel failed to prove its intelligence agents would be endangered by publication of a book about its Mossad spy agency. The appellate court yesterday lifted a lower court's ban on sale of the book by former Mossad agent Victor Ostrovsky. Ostrovsky's publisher says his client

went into hiding after receiving a threatening visit from Israeli agents.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - Higher oil prices from the Middle East crisis sent inflation at the wholesale level up a sharp 1.3 percent in August, the Labor Department said Friday.

The department's index of crude goods, including crude petroleum products, rose 9.3 percent, the sharpest rise in 17 years.

Economists had expected the department's Producer Price Index to jump by as much as 1.4 percent.

Excluding the often volatile energy and food index, wholesale prices rose 0.3 percent, the department said.

During the past 12 months, prices for finished goods jumped 5.1 percent while costs for crude goods soared 9 percent. Prices for finished energy goods rose 17 percent during the same period, while crude energy prices rose 18.5 percent.

Food prices posted a modest gain during the past 12 months, with prices for consumer food products up 5.3 percent. Prices for products other than food and energy rose 3.4 percent in the past 12 months.

After declining 0.5 percent in July, the department's index for finished energy goods climbed 9.5 percent in August. The crisis in the Middle East pushed gasoline prices up 16.9 percent in August after falling 5.3 percent the month before.

Home heating oil prices skyrokected 38.8 percent in August, the largest monthly advance since January's boost of 25.3 percent. Natural gas prices, however, slipped 9.4 percent in August after rising 6.6 percent in July.

The index for finished consumer food goods inched up 0.8 percent after posting no change in July. Prices were up for eggs, beef and veal, milk, fresh and dried vegetables, processed fruits and vegetables and cooking oils.

Fresh fruits, processed chickens, cheese and butter cost less during the month.

Prices also rose for women's apparel, publications, prescription drugs, photographic supplies and gold jewelry.

Capital equipment costs rose 0.3 percent, boosted by increased prices for civilian aircraft, agricultural machinery, oilfield equipment and machine tools.

But the greatest advances came among energy-related products, largely stemming from Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. The department index for energy goods posted in greatest increase ever at 9.6 percent after falling for the previous six months.

Prices for diesel fuel, kerosene and liquified petroleum gas each rose sharply by more than 30 percent. Gasoline, jet fuel, residential fuel and electric power rates also posted substantial gains.

The department crude goods index surged 9.3 percent for the greatest monthly gain since August 1973. The index for crude energy goods soared 25.5 percent in August after slipping 0.1 percent in July. The crude petroleum index shot up a staggering 62.5 percent, the largest gain ever.

Petroleum refining costs jumped 17.3 percent in August and have gained 23.7 percent in the past 12 months.

Crude foodstuffs and feedstuffs dropped 0.9 percent in August after rising 1 percent the month before. Within this category, though, cattle, soybean and fish prices accelerated substantially.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - The Commerce Department said Friday retail sales decreased 0.6 percent in August.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - U.S. retail sales skidded by 0.6 percent in August on weak auto sales but were buoyed by the biggest jump in gasoline prices since the 1979 Iranian revolution, the Commerce Department said Friday.

Not counting the sale of cars, vans and trucks, retail sales would have increased 0.4 percent on a 6.4 percent gain at service stations, reflecting higher petroleum prices following Iraq's lightning invasion of Kuwait.

The gasoline increase was the largest since an 8.3 percent surge in August 1979, and not counting petroleum products, retail sales would have plunged by 1.1 percent last month, a Commerce Department spokesman said.

Analysts had expected an overall 0.1 percent drop in U.S. retail sales in August, and a 0.2 percent increase not counting the automotive sector.

In July, retail sales were up 0.4 percent.

The department's Census Bureau said retail sales totaled $149.2 billion in

August, $150 billion in July and $149.4 billion in June. In August 1989, retail sales totaled $146.8 billion.

The data was adjusted for seasonal factors, such as holidays.

August's 4.3 percent plunge in auto sales was the largest in that category since a 5.6 percent drop in January, the Commerce Department spokesman reported.

Total sales of durable goods, which include autos and other expensive products made to last three or more years, dropped 2.6 percent in August after edging up 0.7 percent in July.

Non-durable goods, meanwhile, advanced 0.6 percent in August after gaining 0.3 percent in July.

By industry, August sales were also off at hardware stores, department stores, supermarkets, drug stores, clothing stores, restaurants and taverns, but increased at furniture stores.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Secretary of State Baker met with Syrian President Hafez Assad in Damascus today to discuss U-S and Syrian efforts to force Iraqi troops out of Kuwait. Syria and Iraq are long-time rivals. .

The U-N Security Council last night authorized a break in the trade embargo against Iraq to distribute food to refugees stranded in Iraq and Kuwait. The council says the efforts must be supervised by the Red Cross or other international relief agencies.

David Souter faces a second day of questioning by the Senate Judiciary Committee today. The Supreme Court nominee yesterday admitted his stance on abortion ''has been on everyone's mind,'' but he didN'T shed any light on his views.

Sources say a Republican call for a capital gains tax cut is a ''sticking point'' in budget negotiations, but there has been progress regarding defense and domestic spending cuts. Talks continue today at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington.

South African President Frederik de Klerk and black leader Nelson Mandela met today to discuss factional fighting in the black townships. Their meeting follows today's earlier fatal shooting of three taxi drivers in Soweto.

The West African nation of Liberia is the site of renewed violence as rival rebels groups bent on revenge search for members of slain president Samuel

Doe's forces. The rebels also are battling each other for control of Liberia.

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#90257u0602 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 14) UPI - At the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland, researchers will use gene therapy today to treat a four-year-old child suffering from a rare immune disease. The first-time experiment is being hailed as a possible ''revolution in medicine.''

Government health officials say about one-third of breast cancer deaths could be prevented if women over 40 had mammograms. Doctors at the National Cancer Institute says studies indicate more doctors need to recommend their patients undergo the screening procedure.

Alaska Governor Steve Cowper says Exxon's clean-up job of the nation's worst oil spill is NOT finished. Exxon is pulling its crews from Alaskan shores for the winter, but Cowper says the oil company will have to return in the spring.

In a separate development, native rights advocates are praising Governor Crowper's announcement that tribal recognition will be given to Indians, Eskimos and Aleuts who doN'T live on reservations. Cowper's executive order will affect native residents of more than 200 Alaskan villages.

A federal court in San Francisco yesterday ruled the government must take into account the ''biological diversity'' of the Pacific Northwest's ancient forests when considering the effects of logging. Conservation groups applaud the ruling.

Psychologists in Florida are warning lottery players about the ''lottery fantasy syndrome'' that can leave some players depressed they haveN'T won. Florida's state lottery jackpot stands at 100-Million dollars and lotto-fever is raging throughout the region.

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#90257u0617 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - Industrial production edged down 0.2 percent in August on small declines in most industries, the Federal Reserve said Friday.

Use of America's industrial muscle, meanwhile, slipped 0.4 percentage point last month to 83.1 percent of capacity.

''Small declines were evident among many market and industry groups in August '' the Fed report said. ''Industries posting gains included steel and utilities.''

Private analysts had expected no change in the production figures and

predicted a capacity utilization of 83.2 percent for the month.

In July, total industrial production was unchanged after increasing by a revised 0.5 percent in both May and June. Capacity utilization in July stood at 83.5 percent in July, 83.6 percent in June and 83.4 percent in May.

The Fed report also noted that ''during the past year, total industrial production has risen 1.5 percent to 109.8 percent of its 1987 annual average.''

In August, factory production fell 0.1 percent, on a 0.2 percent decline in duarble goods and no change in non-durable goods. In July, manufacturing was unchanged on a 0.3 percent drop in durables and a 0.5 percent gain in non-durables.

''Overall, output of consumer goods was little changed in August,'' the Fed report said.

''Gains in output of non-durables, particularly food and electricity for residential use, were about balanced by declines in the production of durables such as light trucks and goods for the home,'' the report said.

In July, auto production was off sharply.

Production at U.S. mines tumbled 2.3 percent in August after gaining 0.6 percent in July, while production at utilities increased 1.2 percent in August after dipping 0.4 percent in July, the report said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - The government reported the use of America's industrial muscle, slipped 0.4 percentage point last month to 83.1 percent of capacity.

''Small declines were evident among many market and industry groups in August '' the Fed report said. ''Industries posting gains included steel and utilities.''

Private analysts had predicted a capacity utilization of 83.2 percent for the month.

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#90257u0671 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 14) UPI - Things apparently are heating up again in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. The French Foreign Ministry in Paris says Iraqi troops entered the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait City today and seized the French military attache and three French civilians who were seeking refuge.

The Foreign Ministry urgently summoned the Iraqi Ambassador to Paris and demanded the immediate release of the four. In Washington, the State Department's Kuwait desk said it could NOT confirm the report, and had NO immediate comment. .

Japan is increasing the amount of money it's committing to support the multi-national force blocking Iraqi aggression in the Persian Gulf. Japan today pledged an additional three-BILLION dollars, on top of an earlier one-BILLION. Officials also say a fact-finding team of 17 Japanese medical personnel will leave soon for Saudi Arabia. .

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu's chief spokesman says- ''Japan has done the best it can in this situation.'' The U-S ambassador to Japan termed the commitment generous, and said it ''clearly demonstrates Japan is a full partner in the ongoing efforts.''

Day Two of David Souter's confirmation hearings begins this morning in the Senate Judiciary Committee. The Supreme Court nominee faced four hours of grilling yesterday, but refused to reveal his views on abortion. He did say Americans have rights beyond those expressed in the Constitution.

South Africa's President Frederik de Klerk met with black leader Nelson Mandela today to discuss the wave of violence in black townships. It's the second time they've met on the matter this week. Today's session came hours after a gang fatally shot three taxi drivers in Soweto township. .

de Klerk and Mandela have said the wave of clashes threaten racial reform and could stall progress toward ending white minority rule in South Africa. The violence has killed at least 720 people in six weeks.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 13: Purchases of 336,882 shares and sales of 553,360 shares including 136,604 shares sold short.

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#90257u0691 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 14) UPI - A book that Israel tried UNsuccessfully to ban in the United States says up to 27 Israeli intelligence agents operate in the United States. The book about the Mossad, Israel's spy agency, says the agents are in this country chiefly to gather data about the Arab world. But it says U- S companies and citizens have been targeted for information. .

The book, titled ''By Way of Deception,'' also says the Mossad believes the official U-S version of President John Kennedy's assassination in November 1963- quote- ''was pure UNadulterated hokum.''

The United States accepted 107-thousand refugees in 1989, the most since 1981, with the largest group coming from the Soviet Union. The figures are included in the Refugee Resettlement Program's annual report to Congress. The program reimburses states and private sector groups for the cost of providing aid to refugees.

The federal deposit insurance system reportedly is facing a risk of depletion if the economy worsens, but Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan is urging caution. Greenspan told the House Banking Committee yesterday they should be cautious in their efforts to reform the system. Said Greenspan- ''Reform is required. So is caution.''

The nation's economy is moving toward a full-blown recession that will last for the next six months. That's the prediction of the U-C-L-A Business Forecasting Project. The forecasters say they expect a two- quarter decline in real Gross National Product beginning in the fourth quarter.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 14) UPI - The Soviet Communist Party is facing a cash crunch because of declining revenue from membership dues and may have to dip into a $8.3 billion reserve fund, the party's deputy business manager said Friday.

Nikolai Kapanets, deputy business manager of the party's Central Committee, said that revenue from dues this year will total $1.62 billion compared with $2.7 billion in 1989.

Kapanets told Pravda, the party's official newspaper, that the drop in revenue was caused by the decision at the 28th Party Congress in July to reduce membership dues as a way of slowing the exodus from the party.

The weakened financial situation of the Soviet Union's ruling party reflects its lessened authority following a Central Committee decision in February to abandon the party's seven-decade monopoly rule and compete for power in the country's emerging political pluralism.

Kapanets also attributed the party's money problems to declining revenues from its publishing empire, which until recently had a monoply on publishing, and an increase in expenses as a result of higher prices and taxes.

The Communist Party still says it has about 19 million members, but about 250,000 people have turned in their red membership card, a former key to power and prestige that has lost much of its value in President Mikhail Gorbachev's

democratization drive.

The exodus has been led by Russian Federation leader Boris Yeltsin, who quit the party two months ago in a dramatic announcement at the party Congress, Moscow Mayor Gavriil Popov, Leningrad Mayor Anatoly Sobchak and other prominent politicians.

More than 2,500 Communists have quit the party this year in Kharkov alone, the second-largest city in the Ukraine republic with 1.6 million people, the independent Interfax news service said.

In the Ukrainian capital of Kiev, several thousand demonstrators supporting Soviet state founder Vladimir Lenin faced off against several hundred Ukrainian nationalists at a rally Thursday who carried signs that read ''Lenin was a tyrant'' and ''Communists, be damned,'' the news service said.

In Lvov, the regional capital of the western Ukraine, about two groups totaling 20,000 people also confronted each other at a public debate over whether to tear down the city's monument to Lenin. The anti- Lenin forces hurled paint on the statue and it is now being guarded by police, Interfax said.

Protesters in the Ukrainian cities of Lutsk and Rovno picketed the local party headquarters over demands to place them under the control of the municipal governments, the news service said.

The business manager Kapanets said the Communist Party also has declining revenues from its publishing empire, which until recently printed every book and newspaper distributed legally in the Soviet Union.

With the circulation levels of party publications plummeting and many newspapers deciding to stake out on their own, the party's publishing revenues will fall to $385 million in 1990 from about $1.7 billion annually in recent years, Kapanets said.

At the same time, he said, the party's expenses is expected to increase by $850 million this year because of higher prices and increased taxes as the country begins to move toward a market economy.

''The budget deficit might reach 1.5 billion rubles ($2.55 billion) a year if measures are not taken to cut expenses,'' Pravda quoted Kapanets as saying.

He said the party will likely be forced to use some of its $8.33 billion in ''savings that have accumulated for a number of years'' to finance its normal activities.

But the business manager said that ''a considerable reduction in party staff'' will not realize sufficient cuts in expenses, and he suggested that local

party organizations ''participate in business activities'' to raise additional funds.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $386.50, silver base of $4.81 and platinum price of $458.40:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$402.40	398.10
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	206.90	204.20
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	106.00	104.90
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.80	43.30
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	402.40	398.10
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	206.90	204.20
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.50	105.40
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.80	43.30
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	408.90	404.50
China Panda .50 troy oz.	210.70	208.40
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.30	108.10
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.20	46.70
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.20	27.90
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	402.50	398.20
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	205.70	203.50
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.90	102.80
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.70	44.30
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	401.40	396.70
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	207.70	205.30
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.60	105.40
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.30	44.80
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	400.90	396.50
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	206.10	203.90
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.40	86.50
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.80	45.30
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.30	23.10
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.21	$6.22
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,490	$3,500
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,500	$1,525
Platinum		
Australian Koala	481.00	490.00

Isle of Man Noble	470.00	469.00
Canada Maple Leaf	481.00	460.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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PEORIA, IL (SEPT. 14) UPI - Caterpillar Inc. plans to replace about 200 of its janitorial and lawn care employees with workers from a private company.

Executives of the Peoria-based agricultural machinery and heavy equipment producer said the move was not a layoff, and Caterpillar promised to give the displaced workers a chance to fill other jobs in the company.

Caterpillar spokesman Keith Butterfield said he thinks only a handful of employees would probably lose jobs with the company.

The company made the announcement Thursday at the end of a joint meeting between the company and about 90 United Auto Workers union officials. Caterpillar executives said it could save $4 million in salary and benefits paid at plants in Peoria, Aurora, Decatur and York if the move is made.

The union attacked the plan, since it said many of the janitorial and lawn care employees have disabilities and medical restrictions that will keep them from filling other jobs.

Butterfield said it was costing the company an average of $60,000 yearly to pay each janitorial employee's salary and benefits and it would only cost half that to hire private firms for the service.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - The United States has warned Iraq privately that it will hold Baghdad responsible for any terrorist attacks carried out against U.S. or allied targets by groups supported by President Saddam Hussein.

''We've tracked increasing links between Iraq and various terrorist organizations, which give us cause for grave concern,'' the State Department said Thursday night.

The State Department gave no details about the links or movements by terrorist groups or their leaders supported by Iraq, some of them headed by Palestinians

that have staged attacks against U.S. and Israeli targets.

More than 100,000 U.S. forces are in the Persian Gulf area, including troops who are deployed in Saudi Arabia opposite Iraqi forces. One concern is the possibility of a terrorist attack against U.S. forces similar to the one that blew up the Marine barracks at Beirut airport in October 1983, killing 241 American servicemen.

The Bush administration communicated its warning to Iraq through the U.S. charge in Baghdad, Joseph Wilson, to the Iraqi Foreign Ministry Wednesday night, the State Department said.

Wilson told the Iraqi government that the United States ''would hold Iraq accountable for actions carried out by those it supports or who act on its behalf,'' a State Department statement said. ''The Iraqis responded in diplomatic channels on Thursday.''

The United States previously expressed public concerns about the possibility of terrorist strikes against the United States or its allies who are in the Persian Gulf enforcing U.N.-authorized economic sanctions against Iraq as punishment for its Aug. 2 invasion of neighboring Kuwait.

''In view of the current circumstances in the gulf, it was a prudent move to contact the Iraqi government and raise our concerns,'' the State Department said of the reason it sent Wilson to the Iraqi Foreign Ministry.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - The Commerce Department says U-S retail sales dropped by six-tenths of one percent in August. Weak auto sales contributed to the decline, which was buoyed by the biggest jump in gasoline prices since the 1979 Iranian revolution. Excluding auto sales, retail sales would have increased four-tenths of one percent because of a six-point-four percent gain in pump prices at service stations.

The Senate Judiciary Committee resumes hearings this morning on the Supreme Court nomination of David Souter. Souter yesterday told the panel Americans have rights beyond those specifically expressed in the Constitution, including the right to privacy. The right to privacy was a key factor of the 1973 Roe-versus-Wade ruling legalizing abortion.

Budget negotiatiors continue talks at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington today. Sources say the talks are hung up over a Republican call for a capital gains tax cut. A Democratic source says Democrats will NOT give in to the Republican demand unless the G-O-P agrees to raise tax rates for the wealthy- something the Republicans have steadfastly refused to do.

Chilly temperatures, high winds and heavy rains are moving through the Midwest this morning, prompting tornado warnings in northern Wisconsin. NO tornadoes have been reported. Muggy and humid weather hangs over much of the Northeast with some morning fog expected in upstate New York. Hot weather is expected for the much of the nation's West.

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TALLAHASSEE, FL (SEPT. 14) UPI - Florida State is on the verge of becoming the ninth member of the Atlantic Coast Conference.

The ACC extended an invitation to Florida State late Thursday after Commissioner Gene Corrigan found enough votes among the divided eight members to invite the Seminoles.

Florida State was expected to receive the approval of the state Board of Regents, meeting Friday in Jacksonville, Fla., and of the school's athletic board.

''I think it's a terriffic opportunity for us in terms of every aspect of athletics, in terms of how they view athletics and how we view athletics,'' Florida State President Bernard Sliger said. ''This is the fast lane and we would hope we can keep up.''

Athletic Director Bob Goin also expressed his delight at the invitation.

''Obviously, we're flattered,'' Goin said. ''We have said all along that the ACC is perhaps the most highly respected academic and athletic conference in the United States.''

Florida State would be the third major college to join a new conference this year.

Penn State, a football independent and member of the Atlantic 10 in other sports, accepted an invitation last spring to join the Big Ten. Arkansas announced last month it is jumping from the Southwest Conference to the Southeastern Conference, effective next summer.

The SEC now has 11 members and is expected to invite South Carolina or Miami to fill it out at 12. Florida State had been thought to be the favorite of most SEC schools.

Corrigan, the former athletic director at Notre Dame, has been trying to strengthen the ACC in football. Florida State was ranked third after the 1988 season, finished second last year and currently is No. 2 behind Notre Dame.

''Our conference has deliberated at length about expansion,'' Corrigan said.

''The process has been comprehensive and thorough. We feel comfortable this decision is in the best interests of the member institutions.

''The more we learned about (Florida State), the more we felt they were a natural fit. Their academic and athletic programs are nationally recognized and their addition would be a plus to our conference in every way.''

Six votes from the eight current ACC members were required to invite the Seminoles. Duke and Maryland were opposed, leaving Corrigan with the bare minimum to extend the invitation at around 9 p.m. Thursday.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - The United States is ready to begin phasing out U.S. military bases in the Philippines in another signal of the declining importance of the bases in the post-Cold War era, The Washington Post reported Friday.

Quoting informed Bush administration and congressional sources, the Post said U.S. negotiators will seek a phaseout period that could last up to 10 years, followed by continued military access to the facilities after the U.S. forces depart.

A Pentagon spokesman dismissed the report as nothing new. ''We have always said we were not going to stay there indefinitely,'' Air Force Lt. Col. Rick Oborn said. ''It's just a matter of when,'' which is under negotiation.

Negotiations on the bases are scheduled to begin Tuesday.

Officials familiar with the U.S. negotiating stance said it remains particularly important to the United States to maintain access to the Crow Valley training range where U.S. pilots and allied forces now train.

The officials said the United States will not propose a definite timetable for vacating the facilities - Clark Air Base in Angeles City, Subic Bay Naval Base in Olongapo and four smaller installations.

The bases have been strategic staging areas for U.S. forces in the Western Pacific in the postwar era. In recent years, however, there has been growing opposition in the Philippines to the U.S. presence, which has become a sore spot in U.S.-Filipino relations.

The officials told the Post that the U.S. negotiators will stress the need for a gradual withdrawl to allow sufficient time for the Philippine government to prepare alternative plans for the bases and to cushion what is expected to be another blow to the already staggering Philippine economy.

The lengthy phaseout is intended in part to minimize the cost of relocating the 16,000 U.S. troops now in the Philippines and also give Washington's regional allies more time to adjust to what will be the most significant security realignment in Southeast Asia since the American retreat from Vietnam in 1975.

The U.S. position reflects the changing nature of superpower relations and the declining importance of a strategic U.S. military base to counter a Soviet threat.

''The world is changing,'' one administration official told the Post. ''Those bases are not as valuable as they used to be.''

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 14) UPI - Fewer than one-third of Chicagoans who have an opinion back Operation PUSH's boycott of Oregon sneaker-maker Nike Inc., a Gallup poll showed Friday.

The poll found a majority of blacks ignoring the PUSH boycott, with 34 percent of those queried saying they had no opinion.

Of those who had an opinion on the situation, 45 percent said they supported Nike, 13 percent said they supported PUSH and 5 percent said they supported both sides.

Last month, PUSH called for a boycott of Nike products, accusing the Beaverton Ore., company of not doing enough for the black community. PUSH leaders are demanding a more vigorous minority recruiting program, more blacks in decision-making jobs and more business given to black advertising agencies and banks.

Nike responded by saying it has an adequate minority hiring program and before it would take any further action, it wanted to know more about PUSH's relationship with competitor Reebok International Ltd. of Canton, Mass.

Among blacks, only 28 percent said they sided with PUSH and 16 percent backed Nike. Forty-eight percent said they did not know enough about the controversy to have formed an opinion.

Among whites, 63 percent said they supported Nike and 5 percent sided with PUSH.

The survey contacted 230 adult Chicagoans between Sept. 7 and 10 by phone. It has an error rate of plus or minus 8 percent.

Meanwhile, Nike holds its annual shareholders meeting next Monday in Portland,

Ore., after which Philip Knight, the company's founder and chairman, and President Richard Donahue will meet with reporters for the first time in several weeks.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Sept. 14:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	56	14
Amsterdam c	1pm	66	19
Ankara pc	3pm	62	17
Athens pc	2pm	77	25
Auckland c	12a	51	10
Beijing c	8pm	67	20
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin pc	1pm	61	16
Bonn c	1pm	66	19
Brussels c	1pm	54	12
Cairo c	2pm	83	28
Casablanca cy	12n	78	26
Copenhagen pc	1pm	63	17
Dakar cy	12n	87	30
Dublin cy	1pm	60	16
Geneva c	1pm	72	22
Helsinki cy	2pm	55	13
Hong Kong c	8pm	83	28
Jerusalem c	2pm	72	22
Karachi pc	5pm	87	31
Lisbon cy	1pm	76	24
London pc	1pm	69	20
Madrid pc	1pm	77	25
Malta pc	1pm	80	27
Manila cy	8pm	83	28
Moscow cy	3pm	53	12
Nairobi pc	3pm	77	25
Nassau c	7am	79	26
New Delhi pc	6pm	89	31
Nice c	1pm	76	24
Oslo pc	1pm	64	18
Paris c	1pm	73	23
Pretoria c	2pm	80	27
Riyadh m	3pm	105	40
Rome c	1pm	78	26
Seoul cy	9pm	69	21

Sofia pc	2pm	59	15
Stockholm cy	1pm	59	15
Sydney r	10pm	59	15
Taipei c	8pm	82	28
Tokyo cy	9pm	75	24
Tunis c	1pm	88	31
Vienna pc	1pm	66	19
Warsaw pc	1pm	59	15

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	49	10
Caracas cy	8am	75	24
Havana m	7am	mm	mm
Lima dzl	7am	58	15
Mexico City m	6am	mm	mm
Rio de Janeiro m	9am	mm	mm
Santiago c	8am	42	05

Canada

Calgary f		46	08
Edmonton m		mm	mm
Montreal f		70	21
Ottawa hz		68	20
Regina f		41	05
Toronto fy		70	21
Vancouver m		mm	mm
Winnipeg cy		50	10

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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RUWEISHED, JORDAN (SEPT. 14) UPI - At the edge of Mercy Camp, a line of folded white tents stretches into the desert, ready to be assembled by the arriving Bangladeshi refugees.

As soon as they join the camp, the refugees begin clearing away stones and driving stakes into the hard sand to pitch the tents, which will be their homes until they are sent back to Bangladesh, or more likely, moved to another camp.

Mercy Camp, situated in the bleak no man's land between the Iraqi and the Jordanian border posts, holds only Bangladeshi men.

Although the refugee situation has improved in Jordan as more Asian workers depart than arrive each day, the Bangladeshis face perhaps the longest wait because their country, one of the world's poorest, cannot afford a massive airlift.

The Thai and Filipinos are the first Asians to leave. Egyptians are taken directly to Aqaba port for repatriation by ferry. Sri Lanka announced Friday it had arranged 15 flights a week to take home its citizens.

"It's just people from the poorest countries who get stuck here,'' a Red Cross worker said. ''It all depends on the international relief effort to get them home.''

Inside the Mercy Camp's medical supply tent, Augustine Ascension, a 24-year-old cook who made $100 per month in Kuwait, showed visitors large color photographs of his young wife and infant son.

''My wife doesn't know where I am,'' he said with a resigned smile. ''I don't know when I will leave. I would like to go quickly to Bangladesh. My family is waiting.''

Several Bangladeshi flags - a red disk on a green field - flew over the hundreds of khaki tents already erected in neat rows. As of Thursday, 6,775 men were in the camp with about 500 more arriving each day.

On the main road, Jordanian soldiers stop all Bangladeshi workers and send them into Mercy Camp, which is run by the Middle East Council of Churches and Save the Children, a humanitarian agency.

Although the number of displaced Asians in Jordan continues to drop, officials fear tens of thousands more may flood across the border at any time.

''It's never been decided how big it's going to be,'' said the camp director, who asked not be identified. ''But it's designed to expand to hold 20,000.''

Many workers have come to Mercy Camp from Shalaan I camp, a few miles down the road that the government shut because of its poor sanitation and barely organized facilities. In contrast to the trash filled Shalaan I, Mercy Camp is neat and well-planned with three shielded, open-ditch latrines for every 100 men. Its current capacity is 8,500.

Each section of 500 men chooses a leader and three others to oversee food and water distribution and sanitation.

Despite the relatively high level of organization, the task of feeding several thousand destitute people in the middle of the desert, nearly 180 miles from Amman, is daunting.

''It's so far out. So to get water for drinking and washing is a problem. We don't encourage washing except for hygiene,'' the Mercy Camp director said. ''Food deliveries have been erratic.''

On Thursday, the director advised fellow relief workers to pray hard for more food. There was not enough bread for everyone at the evening meal.

A shipment of salty cheese was likely to go uneaten because Bangladeshis do not like cheese and would prefer rice, which is difficult to cook in the primitive desert conditions. Bread, cheese, tomatoes, cucumbers and, occasionally, canned sardines are the staples of camp life.

Bangladeshis helping distribute food were asked to sample the salty cheese. They politely nibbled it, saying ''no good'' in Arabic, and then discreetly threw the samples away. Pending approval of the camp doctors, it was decided to give everyone rations of sugary, wafer-like ''energy bars.''

Although diarrhea and minor colds caused by the chilly desert nights remain a problem, no serious health problems have arisen, relief officials said. Several men have been stung by poisonous but not deadly scorpions.

The High Committee overseeing the relief effort said Thursday that of the 40,864 refugees stranded in Jordan, 9,799 are Bangladeshis. The International Organization for Migration has organized several flights a day to Dhaka. An IOM spokeswoman said Friday that repatriating Bangladeshis was a top priority and the majority of the flights it chartered were for them.

The camp director said several hundred left each day, a fact that gave hope to those staying behind.

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DETROIT (SEPT. 14) UPI - The key issues of job security and wages remained on the table early Friday, as United Auto Workers and General Motors Corp. bargainers neared a midnight deadline for negotiating a new three-year labor agreement the union hopes to use as a pattern for pacts at Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp.

A number of non-economic issues already have been resolved, as both sides resumed bargaining early Friday morning after breaking off shortly after midnight in efforts to reach a contract covering about 310,000 active and idled GM workers.

The top automaker reportedly has agreed to provide on-site day care for workers' children as a pilot program at a plant to be selected, to improve long-term care for workers with drug abuse problems and to give the union more power to enforce quality control policies at the plant level.

The union has asked GM to limit temporary layoffs to 12 weeks over the contract's three-year life. GM wants to reduce its work force through buyouts and attrition.

The Detroit Free Press reported Friday that the union and GM also tentatively settled the issue of sourcing, or having work performed by GM employees instead of outside companies, possibly non-union firms.

Meanwhile, GM and the International Union of Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers agreed Thursday to extend their current labor pact beyond the Friday's deadline so bargainers can continue negotiations.

GM has about 24,000 IUE workers at plants in Ohio, New York, New Jersey and Mississippi in addition to its UAW-represented workforce.

The UAW also slated a meeting for its International Executive Board for this Saturday and a meeting of its 400-member GM-UAW council for Monday. Both must approve any tentative settlement before it is ratified by the UAW's rank and file.

Earlier this week, talks reportedly stalled over the core issue of job security, with sources saying GM wanted to limit a no-layoff pledge to workers with 20 years' or more seniority. UAW leaders were alerting plant-level union officials to be ready for possible strike action. Workers with 20 years' or more seniority represent over half the workforce.

The UAW wants to guarantee the jobs of all GM workers during the 1990-93 contract, but industry analysts expect GM will be allowed to reduce its workforce by between 50,000 and 70,000 workers during the next three years.

GM, which has seen its share of the U.S. auto market shrink nearly 10 points to about 36 percent during the last decade, must still close more plants to get production in line with demand, analysts believe.

GM may still want to scrap a contract provision that forces it to hire one worker for every two who quit, retire or die. Also at issue is allocation of $3 billion GM has committed for income security programs.

The union has been bargaining since mid-July for new contracts covering about 500,000 hourly workers at GM, Ford and Chrysler.

Late last month it chose GM as its strike target this year in hopes of negotiating a contract which can be used as a pattern at the other top U.S.

carmakers.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Adobe Systems (3rd Q 8-31)	
$42,832,000	$30,027,000
$10,004,000 (.45)	$9,104,000 (.41)
Air & Water Tech (3rd Q 7-31)	
$163,415,000	$155,325,000
d-$23,514,000	$6,700,000 (.46)

d-Deficit, after extraordinary credit of $27,606,000 associated with retirement of the company's senior extendible notes and senior subordinated debentures.

AM Intl Inc (4th Q 7-31)	
$238,197,000	$229,304,000
$6,860,000 (.15)	$11,723,000 (.23)
Amer Bldg Maintnce (3rd Q 7-31)	
$173,736,000	$164,045,000
$2,761,000 (.69)	$2,473,000 (.63)
Amrep Corp (1st Q 7-31)	
$17,722,000	$24,198,000
d-$531,000	$319,000 (.05)

d-Deficit.

Capital Associates (4th Q 5-31)	
$31,200,000	$40,800,000
d-$16,400,000	$2,500,000 (.26)

d-Deficit.

Cascade Corp (2nd Q 7-31)	
$41,680,000	$39,225,000
$2,200,000 (.36)	$2,975,000 (.50)
Digital Optronics (3rd Q 6-30)	
$2,465,000	$559,000
d-$101,000	d-$456,000

d-Deficit.

Dycom Indus (4th Q 7-31)
$39,900,000 $24,200,000
$2,700,000 (.29) $1,200,000 (.17)

Eaton Vance (3rd Q 7-31)
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$2,298,000 (.78) $3,524,000 (.95)

Fretter Inc (2nd Q 7-31)
$48,000,000 $52,800,000
d-$658,000 $714,000 (.05)
d-Deficit.

Hy & Zel's Inc (2nd Q 7-31)
$40,900,000 $41,900,000
$53,000 (.02) $455,000 (.15)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Lakeland Indus (2nd Q 7-31)
$10,948,000 $10,308,000
$27,000 (.01) $106,000 (.04)

Jay Jacobs (2nd Q 8-31)
$30,642,000 $25,300,000
a-$899,000 (.15) $683,000 (.12)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Metcalf & Eddy (3rd Q 7-31)
$50,682,000 $40,528,000
$3,747,000 (.26) $4,373,000 (.30)

Pall Corp (4th Q 7-28)
$168,613,000 $143,959,000
$25,409,000 (.66) $23,835,000 (.62)

Publishers Equipment (2nd Q 6-30)
$28,703,000 $15,238,000
d-$1,993,000 $634,000 (.14)
d-Deficit.

Warner Computer Sys (3rd Q 7-31)
$11,861,000 $7,377,000
$372,000 (.06) $635,000 (.10)

Value Line (1st Q 7-31)
$16,088,000 $15,607,000
$4,865,000 (.49) d-$927,000
d-Deficit.

TRC Cos (4th Q 6-30)
$11,328,000 $10,349,000
d-$4,537,000 a-$954,000 (.17)
a-Retated to reflect a 50 percent stock dividend paid in August 1989.
d-Deficit, after net charges of $3,300,000 representing loss on disposition of Metatrace operations, and a charge of $1,000,000 related to settlement of litigation.

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GAITHERSBURG, MD (SEPT. 14) UPI - Former Rep. Samual Stratton, D-N.Y., an ardent supporter of national defense programs, has died of a heart attack in a nursing home. He was 73.

Stratton, of Schenectady, was known for his hawkish views even as his own party backed off from a tough military stance.

He died Thursday of a heart attack, his son-in-law and former chief of staff Roger Mott said.

Stratton had retired in 1988 because of his health after serving his 15th term.

Stratton had pushed for landmark legislation which allowed women to attend military-service academies and supported the law that changed the way national holidays are observed, creating the now-routine three-day weekend holidays.

As a major figure on the House Armed Services Committee, Stratton often won the favor of local voters, who benefited from defense contracts awarded to the areas largest employers: General Electric, the Watervliet Arsenal, and the Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory.

Stratton's support led the Air National Guard to name its Glenville airbase for him following his retirement.

Before entering Congress, Stratton had served as mayor of Schenectady, where he fought against gambling and other vice.

He gained a reputation as a fearless, corruption-fighting reformer at a time when public officials were generally believed to be in partnership with those operating rackets.

He won his first bid for Congress in 1958, made an unsuccessful run for governor of New York in 1962, and then ran for the U.S. Senate in 1964, observing later that he did well ''until Bobby Kennedy decided he was a New Yorker.''

Kennedy, a Massachusetts native, won the party's nomination and went on to be elected.

In Stratton's last election in 1986, he won 96 percent of the votes for his Congressional district.

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JERUSALEM (SEPT. 14) UPI - Former Mossad chiefs and Israeli officials Friday characterized information in a controversial book on the Israeli intelligence agency as ''inflated out of proportion'' and called its Canadian-Israeli author a traitor and liar.

On Thursday, a New York state appeals court lifted a lower court's ban on the distribution of ''By Way of Deception: The Making and Unmaking of a Mossad Officer'' written by former Israeli intelligence agent Victory Ostrovsky and Canadian journalist Claire Hoy.

Avi Pazner, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's media adviser, characterized the book as ''nothing more than a compilation of lies, half-truths, invention, very few facts and very sick imagination.'' On Thursday, however, Israeli Embassy spokeswoman Ruth Yaron in Washington said her government felt that there were ''details that could harm the security of Israel and Israelis.''

Analysts argue the book, which faces a ban on distribution in Canada at least until Sept. 17, threatens to confront Israel with its biggest embarrassment since nuclear engineer Mordechai Vanunu revealed in 1986 that Israel had stockpiled weapons-grade plutonium at a nuclear plant in Dimona. Mossad agents caught Vanunu in Rome and brought him back to Israel, where he was sentenced to 18 years in jail.

Ostrovsky, a Canadian-Israeli who was a Mossad agent from 1984 to 1986, maintains Israel is waging major smear campaign against him because of the book, including claims Ostrovsky was involved in financial wrongdoings and the falsification of credit cards - claims Ostrovsky denies.

Isser Harel and Meir Amit, two former Mossad chiefs during the 1950s and 1960s said they view Ostrovsky as a liar and a traitor.

''I'm not familiar with the specific data (in the book), but I know enough about the modus operandi of the Mossad, the division of responsibilities, etcetera, that I can say that some of the stories I heard are baseless,'' Amit told Israel Radio. ''My overall reaction is that it was inflated out of proportion. It's a joke. The whole thing is a joke.''

Harel said he did not believe there was ''any ideological background for (the book), just simple hate to Israel.''

''He portrayed Israel in the worst way and he's only a traitor,'' Harel said.

Pazner characterized Ostrovsky as a ''cadet in the Mossad'' who had violated his contractural obligation not to publish anything from his service in Israel's external intelligence agency.

Despite the strong statements by Israeli officials slamming the book as inaccurate and rich with gossip, Ostrovsky wrote in the book's forward he was ''laying my life on the line'' in publishing the account. Since the controversy erupted, Ostrovsky has been said to be hiding in Canada but has provided interviews to Israeli and other journalists.

Ostrovsky, a native Canadian who holds dual Canadian-Israeli citizenship, was a Mossad operative from 1984 to 1986. Books have been published on the Mossad before, but the first-person accounts of Mossad operations, training procedures and organization - if true - are believed to provide the most complete portrait ever presented publicly of Israel's chief spy agency.

Among the allegations in his book, Ostrovsky said the Mossad knew in advance of the 1983 suicide bombing of the U.S. Marine headquarters in Beirut in which more than 240 Americans were killed. Ostrovsky claims the Mossad failed to notify the United States beforehand because it hoped the attack would ruin U.S.-Arab relations.

The book also provides codenames for Mossad units, departments and agents around the world. The mass-circulation Yediot Ahranot newspaper provided its readers Friday with details from the book under a screaming headline in white lettering against a black background - ''Secrets of the Mossad. These are the agents. These are the methods.''

In the book, Ostrovsky writes that ''Al unit'' operates in the United States with 24 to 27 employees and ''is so secretive, and so separate from the main organization, that the majority of Mossad employees don't even know what it does and do not have access to its file on the computer.'' The book claims the unit's primary task is to gather information in the Arab world and PLO, although the ''line is often blurred.'' when it comes to gathering information about U.S. activities.

Asked if Israel was concerned about the safety of its agents because of the book's revelations, Pazner said, ''The only concern is not to disseminate lies and disinformation about our secret services.''

Pazner said the government was studying what other legal options Israel could take to halt distribution of the book. Asked whether the government would attempt to bring Ostrovsky back to Israel because he had violated his contract with the Mossad, Pazner said, ''we will have to study the legal implications. We have not done so.''

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LONDON (SEPT. 14) UPI - At least 20 U.S., Soviet, British and French ships - all armed with nuclear weapons - are patrolling Middle East waters now with up to 450 nuclear bombs, missiles and depth charges on board, Greenpeace said Friday.

The environmental watchdog group, which is campaigning for nuclear- free oceans, said in a report that there are four U.S. nuclear-capable aircraft carriers and eight other U.S. warships carrying Tomahawk cruise missiles in the region.

The 20 nuclear-capable ships comprise five aircraft carriers, one battleship - the enormous USS Wisconsin - four cruisers, five destroyers and one frigate, the study said.

Together with four U.S. support vessels, which supply the U.S. warships, and an unknown number of submarines, an estimated 450 nuclear devices are being carried by warships in the region, the study said.

Overall, the report said, there were a total of five aircraft carriers, one battleship, ten cruisers, 12 destroyers and 20 frigates deployed or currently in transit to the Middle East and the Persian Gulf area from the United States Soviet Union, France and Great Britain.

The group warned of the possibility of a serious nuclear accident.

''The military build up in the gulf is creating a tinder box. The presence of nuclear reactors and up to 450 nuclear warheads means that even a simple accident could spread radioactive material around the Gulf,'' said Janet Convery, Greenpeace's nuclear free seas campaigner.

''The presence of a large number of naval nuclear weapons in the Middle East today underlines the danger of these mobile and flexible nuclear weapons,'' said William Arkin, director of the Greenpeace U.S. nuclear information unit.

Following is a list of the nuclear vessels Greenpeace said were present in the Middle East:

Five aircraft carriers:

USS Saratoga with estimated 100 nuclear bombs and depth charges.

USS Independence with 100 nuclear bombs and depth charges.

USS John F. Kennedy with 100 nuclear bombs and depth charges

USS Dwight D. Eisenhower with 100 nuclear bombs and depth charges.

Clemenceau (French) with estimated 8 to 18 nuclear bombs and air-to- surface missiles.

One battleship:

USS Wisconsin with eight Tomahawks.

Four cruisers:

USS Mississippi with 2 Tomahawks.

USS Antietam with six Tomahawks.

USS San Jacinto with six Tomahawks.

USS Philippine Sea with six Tomahawks.

Five destroyers:

USS Spurance with ten Tomahawks.

USS David R.Ray with ten Tomahawks.

USS John Rogers with two Tomahawks.

Udaloy (Soviet) with nuclear depth charges and nuclear torpedos.

HMS Gloucester (British) with 1-2 nuclear depth charges.

One frigate:

HMS Battleaxe (British) with 1-2 nuclear depth charges.

Four support ships that provide warships with supplies, including nuclear weapons:

USS Flint

USS Suribachi

USS Detriot

USS Seattle

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Iraqi troops moved against the diplomatic community in Kuwait today. France says Iraqi troops burst into its ambassador's residence in Kuwait City and took away at least four people, including the military attache . The French Foreign Ministry says three French civilians were seized. Officials urgently summoned the Iraqi ambassador to the Foreign Ministry in Paris and demanded the immediate release of the four. Dutch officials also reported that Iraqi troops also raided the Dutch ambassador's residence this week but took NO one away.

Wholesale prices for August did exactly what economists had predicted, NOT that it was hard to make the prediction. Prices jumped one-point-three percent as the cost of oil soared following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Prices at the wholsale level would have been up just three-tenths of one percent for August if food and energy prices are left out. .

The Commerce Department reports retail sales dropped six-tenths of one percent for August. But all of the decline came on lower auto sales as many buyers wait for the new 1991's to come out. Subtract the car sale figure from the total and August sales would have been up four- tenths of one percent. .

A third government report out this morning may contain a better picture of the econmy last month. The Federal Reserve reports a two- tenths of one percent decline for industrial production in August. And capacity utilization was down four-tenths of one percent to 83-point-one percent.

U-S Supreme Court nominee David Souter undergoes a second day of close questioning by senators this morning. The soft-spoken New Hampshire jurist yesterday told members of the Senate Judiciary Comitteee that it would be ''inappropriate'' for him to discuss how he might rule on a number of touchy issues, including that of abortion.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Nelson Mandela is meeting with South African President Frederik de Klerk for a second time this week in an effort to do something about out-of-control factional battles in black townships. At least 720 people have died in the battles since August 12th.

Florida National Guard troops reservists and police are spending a second day going through the woods near the Gainesville apartments where the bodies of five slain college students were found. Police will NOT say if the search has turned up any clues in the deaths. But they did say it could yield more evidence against 18-year-old Edward Humphrey, one of eight suspects in the case.

The 189-year-old New York Post says it has an agreement with one of its nine unions, leaving eight more to go before an 8 p-m deadline imposed by the paper's owner, who says he will fold without concessions. Mailer's union President George McDonald says his union will give up the equivalent of four jobs and overtime... a 390-thousand- dollar-a-year give-back. Another report says Post owner Peter Kalikow is optimistic about an agreement to save the paper.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 84.50-87.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 139.00-142.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $240.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $456.00-$458.50; dealer- approx., $459.00-$474.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 276.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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#90257u0902 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (SEPT. 14) UPI - Soybean complex futures opened higher on follow-through buying, but were trading at mixed levels at midmorning Friday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Grain prices were lower from the opening bell.

Thursday's late rally in soybeans carried over into the early trading, although the weakness in soybean oil limited the gains.

The 30-day outlook from the National Weather Service also was considered bearish for both corn and soybeans. It calls for normal temperatures in the major corn and soybean growing areas with normal rainfall amounts in eastern sections and below-normal rain in the western areas.

Grain futures were mostly lower in choppy trading. The September crop report continued to pressure corn and wheat along with a slow export pace.

Selling interest in the country was very light because of lower prices.

Corn and soybean basis levels were firm while the wheat basis was lower.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.32 1/2 off 3/4; Dec 2.24 3/4 off 1; Mar 2.34 1/2 off 3/4.

Soybeans Sep 6.23 unch; Nov 6.33 1/4 off 3/4; Jan 6.47 1/2 off 1/4.

Wheat Sep 2.57 1/4 off 2 1/2; Dec 2.73 1/2 off 3; Mar 2.87 off 3.

Oats Sep 1.07 unch; Dec 1.15 up 1/4; Mar 1.25 3/4 up 1/4.

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#90257u0976 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 14) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

Iraqi troops burst into the Canadian and French ambassador's residences in Kuwait city and detain several diplomats, including the American consul stationed in Baghdad. All but four French citizens are released. Dutch officials say Iraqi troops also raided their ambassador's residence earlier in

the week, but took no one.

LONDON - At least 20 U.S., Soviet, British and French ships - all armed with nuclear weapons - are patrolling Middle East waters. Officials of the Greenpeace enviromental group say the combined forces are carrying as many as 450 nuclear bombs, missiles and depth charges.

Iran says it is is earning windfall revenues to the tune of $700 million to $800 million a month because the Persian Gulf crisis has triggered higher oil prices. Tehran radio quoted Iranian Oil Minister Gholamreza Aqazadeh as saying Iran has become the only secure place in the Gulf to load oil and that demand for Iranian oil was currently very high.

WASHINGTON - The United States has warned Iraq privately that it will hold Baghdad responsible for any terrorist attacks carried out against U.S. or allied targets by groups supported by President Saddam Hussein. The State Department says it has tracked links between Iraq and various terrorist organizations, ''which give us cause for grave concern.''

DAMASCUS, Syria - Secretary of State James Baker has met with Syrian President Hafez Assad in an attempt to coordinate efforts by Washington and Damascus to force Iraqi troops out of Kuwait. Diplomats say although Damascus and Washington have found themselves allies in the Persian Gulf crisis, serious differences between the two countries remain.

TOKYO - Japan has pledged an additional $3 billion to Persian Gulf military effort, bringing its total commitment to $4 billion. Half of the money will go to support the international forces sent to the Gulf and the other half will be given as loans and other aid to front-line states confronting Iraq, including Egypt, Jordan and Turkey.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - President Bush asked Congress Friday for $1.885 billion in new funds for fiscal 1990 to pay for growing costs in the Persian Gulf and formally requested cancellation of Egypt's $7 billion debt for foreign military sales.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters that Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaiful telephoned Bush Thursday night to inform him that Japan will contribute $4 billion to the burden-sharing costs.

Several members of Congress have charged Japan has failed to donate enough funds to the cause of blocking Iraq from further aggression against its neighbors.

In addition, Bush discussed the gulf situation Friday with British Prime

Minister Margaret Thatcher, who informed him that Britain was sending 6,000 more troops to the troubled region.
take,'' the spokesman told reporters. ''The embassies are sovereign territory. We hold the Iraqi government responsible for treating them as they are supposed to be under international law.''

Fitzwater later said U.S. officials were ''talking with the French through a number of channels'' and that the administration may have something more to say later in the day.

He said that there had been no intrusion in the U.S. Embassy where Ambassador Nathaniel Howell and seven staffmembers are holding out. Fitzwater said that water and electricity have been cut off at the embassy, but Howell still is in communication with Washington and talked to Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger Friday morning.

In addition, he said that the embassy still has adequate food and water.

Speaking for the president, Fitzwater also said the United States supports U.N. Resolution 66, adopted Thursday evening by the Security Council, which provides a framework for delivery of foodstuffs to Iraq and Kuwait for humanitarian reasons.

''Iraq has continued to say that it has adequate foods but its policy is to feed its military first and its actual practice is to create conditions of famine for foreign nationals trapped in occupied Kuwait,'' said Fitzwater.

''Iraq wants us to accept its ruthless aggression against Kuwait or accept the starvation of innocent children and civilians,'' he added. ''We will do neither.''

Fitzwater said the appropriations request to Congress is ''for support of U.S. policies in the gulf'' to provide funding for unexpected defense costs involved in the mission and to provide a legal mechanism for sharing the burdens of ''these extraordinary costs with our friends and allies.''

In his breakdown, he said $837.2 million would go to the Army; $395.9 million to the Navy and Marine Corps and $412.2 million for the Air Force.

In connection with the cancellation of Egypt's debt, first announced Sept. 4, Fitzwater said ''it is important that a considerable burden of the efforts in the gulf crisis'' be shared, and particularly the need to help those deprived of oil.

Fitzwater said that the U.N.-authorized blockade against Iraq is ''near 100 percent effective'' and that there is ''a near cutoff'' of oil going in and out of Iraq.

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#90257u0992 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 14) UPI - Western diplomats in the Persian Gulf are reporting Iraqi troop movements against a number of foreign embassies. The officials say Iraqi soldiers burst into the Canadian and French ambassadors' residences in Kuwait City today and detained several diplomats. The American consul stationed in Baghdad was among those detained. .

Dutch officials say their ambassador's residence was raided earlier this week, but NO one was taken into custody. Most of the envoys detained today were released, except four French citizens. A U-S State Department spokesman in Washington says there's NO truth to reports the U-S mission in Kuwait had been overrun.

One measure of inflation was up NOT unexpectedly last month because of the Iraqi crisis. The result was a one-point-three percent increase for prices on the wholesale level. Analysts say the increase is just the beginning, that more is to come as oil prices continue to rise. .

Industrial production dropped last month by two-tenths of one percent. The reading by the Federal Reserve shows small declines spread throughout most industries. The only gains were for steel and utilities. .

Would-be auto buyers stood on the curb last month instead of being inside the dealer's showroom and that led to a six-tenths of one percent drop in overall retail sales. The figures would be up four-tenths of one percent if car sales are left out.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 14) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Friday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 56-62.

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#90257u1000 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 14) UPI - Times are getting tough in the Soviet Union. The Communist Party financial manager says he may have to dip into an eight-BILLION-dollar

reserve fund because declining revenues from membership dues are producing a cash crunch. Almost one-quarter Million Soviets have turned in their red Communist Partymembership cards.

Hurricane Isidore is barely living up to its name as it slowly travels northeast through the Atlantic. Forecasters say Isidore was barely sustaining hurricane force winds and there's NOT much chance that they'll pick up today. The storm had maximum sustained winds of about 75 miles an hour.

Florida's Lotto jackpot is already the second largest in history... and it keeps getting bigger. The 100-Million-dollar prize is being fueled by frenzied ticket buying at a rate of 500 each second. Officials say if sales continue at that pace, they could exceed the computer's capability of handling 33-Million entries a day.

Oscar is returning home after 15 years. The Oscar in question is a 1937 Academy Award that was stolen from a Chicago man in 1975. Police were led to the one-foot-tall statue belonging to the son-in-law of cinema-tographer Karl Freund by a Los Angeles advertisement offering to sell the Oscar for 20-thousand dollars.

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#90257u1001 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

VIENNA (SEPT. 14) UPI - OPEC Secretary-General Subroto, in a message marking the 13-nation cartel's 30th birthday, said the organization would survive the crisis in the Persian Gulf and would likely still be around 30 years from now.

''A world without OPEC is unthinkable for as long as oil continues to provide the prime source of energy - and this is likely to be the case in the foreseeable future,'' Subroto said in a statement released at the Vienna headquarters of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

The optimistic forecast comes less than three weeks after OPEC members feuded openly over whether to temporarily raise oil production in response to the Gulf crisis.

Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the resulting U.N. embargo against those two countries plunged prompted speculation the cartel may collapse. Iraq and Kuwait are key members of OPEC.

Downplaying the internal divisions, Subroto said the damage caused by the Gulf crisis was only temporary.

''OPEC will stay around. We have survived crises before,'' he said. ''There was 1973, then in the next decade there was the Iran-Iraq war and now we have this. Surely we'll survive this also. All disputes ultimately get resolved.''

The lack of cheap alternatives to fossil fuels and projections of vastly increased demand for oil in the next decade give OPEC considerable grounds to be optimistic for the future, Subroto said.

The changes in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union, the emergence of a single European market in 1992 and rapid industrial development in the Third World ensures steady growth in demand for OPEC oil in the foreseeable future, the secretary-general said.

''OPEC has two-thirds of the world's reserves and it is in a position to meet the world's needs well into the 21st century,'' he said. ''No one should think otherwise because of the temporary difficulties we face today. The Gulf crisis will end some time. Of that there is little doubt.''

OPEC was founded in Baghdad on Sept. 14, 1960, and was originally made up of Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Venezuela.

By the middle of the next decade, it had grown to its present size, with the addition of Algeria, Libya, Nigeria, Gabon, Ecuador, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and Indonesia.

Collectively pumping about a third of the world's crude oil, the cartel seeks to control oil prices by regulating the output of its members.

In recent years, however, the cartel has been strained by rivalries between wealthier, pro-Western nations such as Saudi Arabia and poorer, less developed members.

These rivalries were accentuated at last month's emergency talks in Vienna, at which 10 members endorsed a temporary increase in output to compensate for a shortfall of 4 million barrels a day resulting from the embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude.

Iran opposed the increase and Libya and Iraq boycotted the talks.

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#90257u1013 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 81-83; large 78- 81 and mediums 63-66.

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OMAHA (SEPT. 14) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and calves None.

Hogs 1,000; butchers 50-75 higher; trading moderately active; No 1-3 220-250 lb 55.00-55.25, 60 head 55.50; No 2-3 250-270 lb 54.50-55.25; sows steady to 50 higher, instances 1.00 higher on weights over 500 lb; No 1-3 350-500 lb 44.50-44.75, few 470-500 lb 45.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 46.50-47.50.

Sheep None.

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#90257u1018 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (SEPT. 14) UPI - Stock prices on the London International Stock Exchange fell sharply Friday as profit warnings, and growing tension in the Middle East punished a market already reeling from news that Britain's inflation climbed over 10 percent in August.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 15.2 points Thursday tumbled 33.3 points to 2,093.8. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 23.3 points to 1,609.6.

Volume amounted to around 418 million shares compared with only 335 million shares changing hands Thursday.

Analysts said prices tumbled on news that Britain's August inflation rose 10.6 percent on the year - above the 10.3 percent expected by most forecasters.

The Central Statistical Office reported Britain's retail price index rose 1 percent in August from July and was up 10.6 percent on the year.

The year-on-year rise was the highest since February 1982 when Britain's annual increase was 11 percent, the government reported.

The government agency attributed the higher inflation rate to a rise in seasonal food prices, the highest since February 1986.

In a seperate report, the CSO reported Britain's industrial production fell 3.6 percent in July from June and was up 0.2 percent from July 1989.

And in a third report, the CSO reported Britain's wages and salaries per unit of output in the manufacturing sector rose a seasonally adjusted 1.4 percent in July from June and were up 8.5 percent a year earlier.

Analysts said the market was further unsettled by reports that Iraqi troops had forced their way into the French and Canadian Ambassador's residences in Kuwait and had taken away four citizens.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Imperial Chemical Industries, popularly considered to be a barometer of British industry, tumbled 68 cents to $14.88 after its chairman's remarks to Canadian businessmen was taken by investors as indicating slower growth during the next 18 months.

Among some of the day's other highlights, in the brewery sector, Bass dropped 54 cents to $17.28 following a downgrading Thursday, and Guinness shares fell 29 cents to $12.29.

Troubled leisure and communications company, Polly Peck, slipped 21 cents to $4.41 with investors nervous on what the weekend press may say about the company.

Some companies did manage to buck the trend. Water shares attracted some attention of investors seeking refuge in the gloomy climate. Shares in Water Package climbed 45 cents to $40.86.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed broadly lower in thin trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which fell 15.39 points Thursday, lost 28.88 points, or 1.8 percent, to 1,552.95.

In France, stocks tumbled in light trading on the Paris Bourse. The CAC-40 Index, which eased 1.82 points Thursday, fell another 31.34 points to 1,614.93.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - A top Roman Catholic leader Friday warned President Bush to use ''utmost care'' in actions against Iraq, saying it would be immoral for the United States to deprive Iraqi civilians of food and medicine.

''We understand that Saddam Hussein, by his words and actions, makes this complex and difficult, but the moral justification for our intervention requires that we maintain the distinction between the Iraqi regime and ordinary and vulnerable Iraqi citizens,'' said Archbishop Roger Mahony of Los Angeles.

Mahony chairs the International Policy Committee of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and is the church's top spokesman on forerign policy matters.

The archbishop made his comments in a letter to Secretary of State James Baker.

At the same time, the United Methodist Church's Council of Bishops appealed to Bush, ''as a manifestation of his faith in God as revealed in Jesus Christ, to pursue every possible political and diplomatic avenue - however lengthy - as a primary option.

The bishops of the 8.9 million-member denomination warned against turning the Persian Gulf crisis into a U.S.-Iraqi showdown.

''We urge that such political and economic pressure be directed through the United Nations rather than unilaterally by the United States,'' the bishops said. ''One of the positive and hopeful signs of the current situation is the broad consensus of world opinion.''

In the letter to Baker, Mahony reiterated the church's general support of the U.S. ''decision to oppose (Iraqi) aggression and to express our humanitarian concerns,'' noting that Archbishop Daniel Pilarczyk of Cincinnati, president of the bishops's conference, had described Iraq's invasion of Kuwait as ''devoid of provocation or any justification.''

''We wish to reiterate our strong support for the international solidarity, so successfully negotiated by this administration and by the United Nation's secretary-general, which has effectively halted Iraqi aggression and offers hope for the peaceful liberation of Kuwait and the creation of a new and more just order for the region,'' Mahony told Baker.

And, he said, the Catholic bishops associated themselves with Bush's ''clear assertion'' in his televised address to the nation Tuesday evening that ''our enemy is Saddam Hussein - not the Iraqi people.''

That means, Mahony said, that in implementing the embargo and other sanctions, ''the utmost care and sensitivity be exercised so that innocent civilians are not deprived of those essentials for the maintenance of life, i.e., food and medicines.''

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OTTAWA (SEPT. 14) UPI - Canada, driven by the Persian Gulf crisis, signed a $5.2 billion pact Friday with a consortium of four oil companies to immediately begin developing the Hibernia oil field off the coast of Newfoundland.

Canadian Energy Minister Jake Epp denied that the decision to start development was driven by the Gulf crisis and escalating oil prices. ''It reflects a need for Canada to have energy self-sufficiency,'' he said.

The Gulf crisis precipitated by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait has

resulted in crude oil prices rising by about a third to $30 a barrel.

The oil field, estimated to contain between 525 and 650 million barrels of recoverable oil 240 feet below sea level, would begin producing oil by 1996. Hibernia would add an average of 110,000 barrels daily to Canada's oil production.

The consortium partners are Mobil Oil Canada, with a 28.125 percent interest, Gulf Canada Resources and Petro-Canada, each with a 25 percent interest, and Chevron Canada Resources, which has a 21.875 percent stake.

The agreement also was signed by the provincial government of Newfoundland.

The project, which took about 26 months to negotiate and became stalled several times last year as oil prices continued to drop, will be one of the country's largest and most controversial undertakings.

The Canadian government contributed $1 billion cash and $1.7 billion in loan guarantees to get the project started.

The oil fields were discovered 11 years ago, but many companies were skeptical whether a drilling rig structure could be designed to withstand the stormy Atlantic Ocean area known to locals as Iceberg Alley.

To withstand the environment, engineers have designed a huge concrete tub 327 feet wide by 278 feet high that will reach from the seabed to 15 feet above sealevel.

Caissons projecting from the top of the tub will support five topside ''supermodules'' containing facilities for drilling, oil and gas processing and crew quarters.

The so-called gravity base, which will be able to store up to 1.3 million barrels of oil, and one of the supermodules, will be constructed in Great Mosquito Cove in Bull Arm, an uninhabited cove about 90 miles west of St. John's, Newfoundland.

Government officials said 48 wells will be drilled from the gravity base into the Hibernia reservoir by the platform's two drilling rigs.

Floating rigs may be used to drill an additional 35 wells away from the main drilling structure. These would be fitted with subsea wellheads and connected to the gravity base by subsea pipelines.

Oil will be transferred to three specially designed 120,000 tonne tankers, each capable of carrying 850,000 barrels of oil, through two offshore loading systems located one mile from the main platform.

According to the oil consortium, as much as 60 percent of the $5.2 billion capital cost will be met by Canadian firms. Canadian companies will also supply 65 percent of the $10 billion operating expenditures.

The project will provide some 35,000 construction jobs over the next six years and another 1,100 permanent ones in Newfoundland, the poorest province in Canada.

Allan Luffman, an oil specialist with Halifax, Nova Scotia-based Geomarine, said the consortium has based its projections on a minimum world oil price of $25 a barrel. But, he said, no one knows the precise oil price the companies need to earn a profit.

Nonetheless, Luffman said the project represented an important step in bringing thousands of jobs to Newfoundland. ''It's not a godsend, (but) there's an immediate boom,'' he said, adding the project would not make Newfoundland a net contributor to the Canadian economy.

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#90257u1072 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

DENVER (SEPT. 14) UPI - An unemployed poker dealer who won Colorado's largest Lotto jackpot has been ordered to appear in federal court to answer a charge of trying to bribe an IRS officer into lifting a $100,000 income tax lien.

Fred Michael Jr., 30, was arrested Thursday after leaving a restaurant where he gave the IRS officer $17,000 in cash. Michael appeared before a federal magistrate and was released on $5,000 personal recognizance bond pending a Sept. 27 court appearance.

Michael won an $11 million Lotto jackpot in the Aug. 11 drawing. A criminal complaint filed in U.S. District Court Thursday said Michael went to the IRS office in Westminster on Aug. 13 and told Officer Deborah Archer he was coming into some money. He allegedly offered her $4,000 or $5,000 to lift the lien, and said he wanted it taken care of before noon that day.

Archer immediately reported the bribe offer to her supervisor. Michael called Archer shortly after noon and told her he had won the Lotto jackpot, but didn't want to claim the prize with the lien in force. He allegedly raised the bribe offer to $25,000.

Michael and his wife claimed the initial Lotto check for $209,000 after taxes later that day. He then met Archer in a restaurant parking lot and gave her a cashier's check for $25,000.

The affidavit said Michael later called Archer and asked if she ''had a problem with the check because he knew that cash was always neater.'' Archer tape-recorded all her conversations with Michael without his knowledge.

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#90257u1075 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (SEPT. 14) UPI - Letters written by the first murderer believed tracked down by radio were auctioned off by Christie's for $15,593 Friday, more than three times the expected amount.

Bidding for the nine letters written by Dr. Hawley Harvey Crippen just days before he was hanged in 1910 for poisoning his wife, Cora, was expected to start at $4,650.

''The letters are very detailed ... 34 pages of intense and passionate descriptions,'' said Edmund Pollinger, Christie's book and manuscript expert.

One reason the letters drew a high bid was because of the insight they give into the mind of a doctor who poisoned his wife, then mutilated her body and hid the remains beneath the cellar floor, he said.

In letters to a Lady Somerset, who believed in his innocence, Crippen revealed his feelings, hope for acquittal and concern for his 27-year- old mistress, Ethel le Neve, who was accused of being his accomplice.

The sensational Crippen murder story began with the disappearance of Cora after a dinner date the couple had with friends. Crippen, when questioned by friends, told them Cora died while in America visiting sick relatives.

Friends reported Cora's disappearance to Scotland Yard. By this time she said, Crippen's mistress had moved in.

A Scotland Yard inspector paid Crippen a visit but found nothing. The couple, alarmed by the visit, quickly fled to The Netherlands where they boarded the SS Montrose bound for Canada.

Crippen did not want to be recognized so he had the woman dress like a boy. The captain questioned her ill-fitting disguise and the couple's affectionate behavior toward each other, so he radioed to London.

The call reached a Scotland Investigator 10 days after the discovery of Cora's body. The investigator immediately boarded a ship and arrested the pair off the water in Canada on July 31, 1910.

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SAN ANTONIO (SEPT. 14) UPI - A hearing Monday in U.S. Bankruptcy Court to determine the fate of Fairchild Aircraft Corp. could turn into a bidding war, a newspaper reported Friday.

The San Antonio Light said five serious contenders are vying for control of the financially ailing San Antonio airplane maker.

Aaron Hollander of First Equity Development Inc., a Stamford, Conn.- based investment banking firm hired to sell Fairchild, told the newspaper that three of the five are Fairchild Acquisition Corp., Snow Aviation International Inc. and Futuristic Acquisition Inc. Hollander declined to disclose the name of the other two companies.

Fairchild, the world's leading manufacturer of 19-seat regional airplanes, filed Chapter 11 reorganization on Feb. 1, listing total assets of $92 million and total liabilities of $86.4 million.

The company has laid off more than 700 workers since last summer, currently employing about 230 people.

Presiding bankruptcy Judge Leif Clark is expected to approve the company's plan for reorganization on Monday, Hollander said.

Hollander said executives officials from several groups have spent the past few weeks at Fairchild analyzing the company's finances and preparing purchase proposals.

Fairchild Acquisition Corp. is made up of Carl Albert, the former chairman of Wings West airline, and several former Fairchild executives.

On Aug. 14, Fairchild trustee Bettina Whyte approved a preliminary proposal by Fairchild Acqusition to purchase the company for $45 million. But a special provision was written into the reorganization plan allowing the trustee to continue negotiating with other potential buyers before the confirmation hearing.

Snow Aviation International is a Columbus, Ohio-based company that plans to manufacture commercial and military turboprop cargo planes.

Los Angeles-based Futuristic Acquisition is in the import/export business, engaged in small operations making hair and human hair extensions.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 14) UPI - Pigeons will have to take their chances as usual at future Olympic Games.

The executive board of the International Olympic Committee rejected Friday an appeal from animal protection groups to stop using the birds at opening ceremonies.

Michele Verdier, the IOC's director of information, said the groups - mostly from West Germany - had written complaints after several pigeons were incinerated when the Olympic flame burst into action at the 1988 Seoul Olympics.

After considering releasing the birds before the flame had been lit or reducing the numbers of pigeons, the executive committee decided to stick to the format which has existed since the first modern Olympics in 1896.

''It is still the tradition and their presence carries a strong message to the world,'' Verdier said.

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#90257u1101 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 14) UPI - The State Department says that reports of the U-S mission in Kuwait being overrun by Iraqi troops are just NOT true. But Iraqi forces did enter residences of both the Canadian and French ambassador in Kuwait earlier in the day. They detained several diplomats, including the U-S consul stationed in Baghdad. All but four citizens of France were later released.

New Hampshire jurist David Souter says the failure of the executive and legislative branches of government has left the third branch, the judicial, with increased powers. President Bush's Supreme Court nominee is undergoing a second day of questioning in the Senate. Souter says failure by the executive and legislative branches to settle key issues only means that the courts have to do the job.

The death toll continues to climb in South Africa as black-on-black violence takes more lives. The latest deaths came when a gang of five men shot three taxi drivers at point-blank range and then set their mini-buses afire. Black leader Nelson Mandela is meeting with South African President Frederik de Klerk for a second time this week to see if something can be done about the violence.

Washington is said to be ready to begin phasing out U-S military bases in the Philippines. A Washington newspaper story says American negotiators will seek a phaseout period that could be stretched over a decade. The newspaper says the phaseout is another signal of the declining importance of the bases in the post-Cold War era. Negotiations on the bases are scheduled to resume Tuesday.

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#90257u1107 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 14) UPI - A poll released today reveals there's NOT much support for Operation PUSH's boycott of athletic shoe giant Nike Incorporated. The poll found a majority of blacks surveyed are ignoring the PUSH boycott... with 48

percent of those questioned saying they have NO opinion on the matter. Among all the people questioned, 45 percent supported Nike, while 13 percent stood behind PUSH.

The Senate has cleared the way for consideration of a bill to raise fuel economy standards for cars. Senators voted 68-28 yesterday to limit debate on a motion to take up the measure... successfully ending a filibuster effort led by lawmakers from Michigan. The bill would require car manufacturers to increase their vehicle's average fuel efficiency to 40 miles a gallon by the year 2001.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - The first Americanized edition of the Guinness Book of Records, published Friday, is filled with informational goodies including a 27-ton ice cream sundae.

The 1991 edition identifies the the the nation's oldest person (Carrie White of Palatka, Fla., 115), most prolific president (John Tyler, 14 or 15 children), biggest butterfly (giant swallowtail), and largest bowling center (Las Vegas' Showboat Lanes, 106 lanes).

It also lists record performances in scores of sports, the most expensive luxuries, the most poisonous animals and insects, the most remarkable bridges and buildings, the most valuable art, and the winners of the world's highest honors, decorations and awards.

The 29th edition is the first published by Facts on File, a New York news reference service which acquired U.S. publication rights from Sterling Publishing, a British firm, last year. Facts on File has enlarged the size of the book and added color illustrations.

The new Guinness has been specially edited for American readership, downplaying some of the British commonwealth material contained in previous editions. It also has lead-in essays on various categories of knowledge that contain information generally found only in encyclopedias.

''We've opened up whole new areas of information about the United States, expanding the presidential records, baseball and football, and so forth,'' said Mark Young, editor of the U.S. edition. ''In every category of listing, we have tried to include the American record holder, such as the oldest tree and the longest suspension bridge.''

Young said one of the prime markets for the $21.95 hardcover reference work (Bantam Books brings out a cheaper paperback edition), in addition to libraries, schools, the media, journalists and other writers, is teenage students.

''Guinness is perceived as a book used by teenagers to find quick facts for papers they are preparing in high school,'' he said. ''It's a very entertaining book, much more entertaining than an almanac. It is just fun to pick up and dip into from time to time.''

Asked for his favorite entry, Young said without hesitation it was the world's biggest ice cream sundae, a 54,914-pound confection made by Palm Dairies Ltd., Alberta, Canada, in 1988. It is listed next to the illustration of the world's tallest Easter egg, a chocolate 19-footer made by Tobler Suchard of Bedford, England, in 1987.

There is information in the 1991 edition as recent as sports records set in July of this year. A wealth of superlatives were established in 1989, such as the oldest queen in history, ex-Empress Zita of Austria who died a few days short of 97, and the most expensive dress ever, a $7.3 million diamond-decorated ball gown designed by Parisian Helene Gainville.

Guinness, as one might suspect from its name, was the brainchild of Sir Hugh Beaver, managing director of Guinness Ltd., the British brewing firm, and first published in 1955. The first U.S. edition was published the following year and there are now 262 editions in 35 languages. The first Russian edition came out this year.

The Guinness Book of Records has had its own listing in the book since 1974 as the top-selling copyright book in publishing history, with global sales surpassing 60 million in 1989. In Guinness terms, that equals 171 stacks of books, each as high as Mount Everest.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - President Bush formally sent Congress a multi-billion dollar proposal Friday to pump up Latin America's struggling economies with ''trade not aid.''

Bush called the Enterprise for the Americas Inititative Act ''one of the most important initiatives of my administration'' and requested swift passage by the House and Senate.

The purpose of the measure, first announced last June, is to encourage market-oriented reform and economic growth in Latin America through investment debt reduction and environmental protection.

Under it, the United States would contribute $100 million a year over five years to an Americas Investment Fund, a multilateral effort that would be established by the Inter-American Development Bank.

The measure would also create an Enterprise for the Americas Facility in the Treasury Department, which would support debt reduction efforts for nations that meet certain investment reforms.

In addition, the United States would seek to enter environmental accords with those nations eligible for debt reduction. These agreements, in turn, would be used to create an Environmental Fund.

Bush offered the program last spring as a way to assist Latin America, particularly emerging democracies, by encouraging businesses to invest in the region.

In transmitting the legislation to Capitol Hill for introduction to Congress by GOP leaders, Bush said the initiative would be ''a bold new chapter in hemispheric relations - one based on trade, not aid.''

''For the benefit of all people in this hemisphere, the United States needs to reach out and support the efforts of these countries as each undertakes its owns approach to economic reform,'' he said.

Flanked by members of his Cabinet and representatives of the Organization of American States and the Inter-American Development Bank, Bush said leaders across the hemisphere have enthusiastically embraced his proposal.

The proposal was raised by the U.S. side during the Economic Summit in Houston in July. But it won no commitments from the six industrial democracies - Britain, France, Italy, Germany, Japan, Canada.

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RALEIGH, NC (SEPT. 14) UPI - Gunfire, bombs and Iraqi soldiers rule the streets of Kuwait City where people live in fear of the answering their doors and natives are willing to die to take back their country, former hostages said.

''You see bombs, trucks blow up. There's a soldier on every street corner,'' said Lorri Zeidan of Riverside, Calif., who was on vacation with her Kuwaiti husband at the time of the Aug. 2 invasion by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Her husband still remains in Kuwait.

Zeidan was one of 263 people, including 147 children, permitted to leave Kuwait in a chartered flight that landed at the Raleigh-Durham International Airport at 4:54 p.m. EDT Thursday.

''You feel like a prisoner. You can't go nowhere,'' said Zeidan, who clutched her infant son and a teddy bear. ''Everything American they blew up - the Safeway, Toys 'R' Us.''

Grace Al-Wazzan, a West Virginia native who lived in Kuwait nine years, said Iraqi soldiers are making door-to-door checks of homes, looting Kuwait stores and firing bazookas on homes where people are believed to be part of a resistance movement.

''I think the people in Kuwait are willing to sacrifice their lives now,'' said Al-Wazzan, who fled with her three children but was forced to leave her Kuwaiti husband.

Al-Wazzan said she decided to leave with her children when she received a paper in the mail with instructions on how to protect yourself from chemical warfare, which was used to kill numerous people under Saddam Hussein in the Iran-Iraq war.

''You live in fear of the doorbell,'' said Al-Wazzan, adding that Iraqi soldiers go door-to-door to investigate homes.

''I heard gunfire at night,'' said Eleanor Mireles, who had sought refuge in the U.S. Embassy. ''It was very scary for all the people there.''

''They want their country back,'' said Mireles, a New Bern, N.C., native now living in Fairfax., Va. ''The Kuwaitis are willing to die, to do whatever it takes. They want Kuwait back.''

Mireles, who in June traveled with her husband to Kuwait where they once lived for eight years, said at the Embassy, Ambassador Nathaniel Howell, his staff and a handful of citizens cooked rice on charcoal grills after water and electricity was cut off Aug. 25.

The group tried to keep their spirits up by playing games, she said.

''We tried to play games at night. We put on talent shows together. Everything was done by candlelight,'' she said.

Al-Wazzan said the Kuwaitis were anxious for military help.

''Because I'm American, my neighbors kept asking me, 'When are the Marines going to arrive?''' she said.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 14) UPI - The presumably leak-free shuttle Columbia was cleared Friday for the overnight start of another countdown to blastoff Tuesday, a last-ditch bid to get the delayed ship off the ground before a higher-priority October mission.

Running more than three months behind schedule because of multiple hydrogen leaks and trouble with an on-board telescope, Columbia's countdown was scheduled to begin at 1 a.m. EDT Saturday amid a continuing debate over the possibility more leakage will show up during fuel loading Monday.

If all goes well - and some NASA officials consider that a big ''if'' - the shuttle's seven-man crew will take off at 1:28 a.m. EDT Tuesday to kick off a 10-day astronomy mission.

''We're on schedule to pick up the countdown at one o'clock in the morning,'' said NASA spokeswoman Lisa Malone. ''We're not tracking any problems right now. We've done all the leak checks required to satisfy us about the hydrogen system. So we're going to go ahead and count down and hope we don't get any leaks.''

NASA's launch team will only have two days or so to get Columbia off the ground to avoid delaying the shuttle Discovery's launch around Oct. 8 on a higher-priority $750 million mission to carry the European-built Ulysses solar probe into space.

For Columbia's crew, the stakes are high. If the ship is grounded again, NASA managers may elect to delay the flight for up to a year because of other scheduling problems. At the very best, the mission would be delayed to late next month.

So with time running out, Columbia skipper Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, Robert Parker, 53, and civilian astronomer Ronald Parise, 39, planned to fly to the Kennedy Space Center from Houston Saturday night for final preparations.

Their crewmates - John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, and astronomer Samuel Durrance, 46 - were scheduled to join them Sunday afternoon.

Launch originally was scheduled for May 30, but the crew was grounded the night before when sensors detected explosive hydrogen gas leaking into the ship's engine room.

Subsequent tests led NASA managers to believe the leak was caused by damaged seals inside a massive 17-inch-wide fuel line fitting. A similar problem grounded the shuttle Atlantis in July.

Columbia was equipped with a new fuel line fitting and rescheduled for launch Sept. 1 only to be grounded again, this time by problems with an on-board telescope, one of four making up the ship's ''Astro-1'' observatory payload.

Finally, a third launch try Sept. 6 ended in failure the night before when yet another hydrogen leak showed up. Engineers replaced three suspect pumps in the shuttle's engine compartment before discovering a partially crushed seal in a

fuel line valve leading to main engine No. 3.

The clearly damaged $250 seal was replaced earlier this week and launch was rescheduled for Tuesday.

Even so, many engineers questioned whether the faulty seal alone could have accounted for the hydrogen concentrations measured last week. To make sure, additional leak checks were conducted Thursday, but no more problems were found.

Still, after a disappointing summer of delays and repeated setbacks, few NASA officials were willing to make any predictions about Columbia's fourth launch try in three months.

''In the halls, some of the guys are betting whether any leaks will show up Monday,'' said one official.

In the meantime, agency managers are studying whether they can change tough post-Challenger launch guidelines to increase the allowable concentration of hydrogen in the shuttle's engine compartment.

The limit currently is 600 parts per million, a minuscule .006 percent. But given the nature of hydrogen, some leakage is inevitable and officials are studying whether the current limit is unrealistically conservative.

The goal of the 36th shuttle mission, the 11th since the Challenger disaster but only the fourth this year, is to study X-rays and ultraviolet light from energetic stars and galaxies that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

On nearby launch pad 39B, engineers are readying Discovery for blastoff around Oct. 8 to ferry the Ulysses probe into space.

To reach the proper orbit above the poles of the sun, the nuclear- powered spacecraft must first be launched to Jupiter so the giant planet's gravity can be used to fling the probe down, out of the plane of the solar system and back toward the sun.

Because of the positions of Earth and Jupiter, and the power of Ulysses' rocket booster, Discovery must be launched by Oct. 23 or the flight will be delayed 13 months to allow the planets to return to favorable launch positions.

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ARLINGTON, VA (SEPT. 14) UPI - USAir said Friday it plans to increase domestic fares by 4.2 percent Oct. 1 because of the increase in jet fuel prices following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

''Cost of jet fuel continues to fluctuate and in recent weeks has periodically risen more than 30 cents per gallon above the average price of 58.5 cents per gallon reported by USAir for the second quarter of 1990,'' the company said.

Each penny increase equates to an annual cost of $13 million to USAir on the 1.3 billion gallons of jet fuel the carrier purchases annually for its aircraft fleet, the company said.

USAir thus becomes the third major carrier to institute a fare increase this week in response to steeply escalating fuel costs, following the lead of Delta Airlines, which announced a 4.2 percent fare boost Thursday, and before that, Pan American World Airlines, which said it would hike fares 4.4 percent effective Sept. 21.

Major U.S. carriers had raised fares by 5.3 percent on Aug. 30 to cover higher fuel costs triggered by the Aug. 2 Iraqi move into Kuwait.

But the airlines have said that initial increase failed to fully make up for the added expense - and in the meantime, jet fuel prices have continued to rise.

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BALTIMORE (SEPT. 14) UPI - White men who have high blood pressure appear to produce more sweat than their counterparts with normal blood pressure, a finding that may help develop better anti-hypertension treatments, researchers said Friday.

Dr. Abraham Aviv of the University of Medicine and Dentistry in Newark, N.J., said his two-year study of sweat volume and blood pressure among 144 people supports the view that hypertension probably has more than one cause.

Aviv reported that when he put the sweat-inducing drug pilocarpine on the forearm of white males who had high blood pressure, they produced more sweat than white males who did not have hypertension. In contrast, white women with high blood pressure and black men and women with high blood pressure showed the same level of sweat formation when exposed to the drug as their counterparts with normal blood pressure.

The findings show hypertension ''does note express itself in the same way in blacks and whites, or in males and females,'' Aviv told a conference of the American Heart Association.

''An understanding of sweat metabolism may serve as a tool in developing specific criteria to determine which drugs may be appropriate for certain people,'' he said.

Aviv speculated white men with hypertension may sweat more than other people due to elevated levels of calcium circulating in their bodies. He noted that previous research suggests that when calcium levels rises in blood vessel walls, the vessels constrict and lead to high blood pressure. Higher calcium levels are in sweat glands also known to promote sweat formation, he said.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Iraqi troops stormed the Belgian, Canadian and French diplomatic buildings in the Kuwaiti capital Friday and detained several diplomats, including the American consul from Baghdad, before releasing all but three French civilians, officials said.

The Netherlands said Iraqi troops raided its ambassador's residence in the Kuwaiti capital two days ago, but indicated no one was taken.

The U.S. State Department's Kuwaiti Task Force said it had been in contact with the U.S. mission in Kuwait and said unconfirmed ''reports it had been overrun by Iraqi troops are not true.''

Also Friday, a U.S. warship in the Gulf of Oman fired a warning shot and boarded an Iraqi-flagged oil tanker heading toward Iranian waters. The officials said the tanker stopped and an armed U.S. boarding party went aboard the ship.

Details were sketchy and it was not immediately clear what the United States planned to do with the tanker.

The Iraqi raids on the three ambassadors' residences, which have diplomatic immunity under international law, indicated Iraq was taking a new, hard-line approach toward the defiant Western nations refusing orders to leave the occupied emirate, which Iraq invaded Aug. 2 and subsequently annexed.

Authorities had been trying to force the diplomats out by cutting off their communications, electricity and water, but several embassies had steadfastly refused to shut down.

Swift condemnation met the Iraqi action.

French President Francois Mitterrand, visiting Czechoslovakia, said ''the violation by Iraqi troops of the residence of the ambassador of Kuwait is an aggression and we will respond.''

President Bush denounced the intrusions as ''outrageous,'' promised to cooperate fully with Mitterrand but said there was no immediate plan to escalate action against Iraq.

''When an escalation is required from me, Saddam Hussein will know it,'' Bush said.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (SEPT. 14) UPI - The election of Cambodian resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk as council chairman will be ''at the top of the agenda'' at the initial meeting of the joint Cambodian council next week, Cambodian officials said Friday.

''Everything appears set for a meeting on Monday in Bangkok, but we cannot yet confirm it because there might be some last minute change,'' said an official of the resistance group loyal to Sihanouk.

The meeting of the ''Supreme National Council'' comprised of representatives of all four battling Cambodian factions is seen as a key step in the implementation of a U.N. peace plan for Cambodia.

Sihanouk's son, Prince Norodom Ranariddh, has postponed a trip to Paris to remain in Bangkok for the meeting, the Sihanoukist official said.

Former Prime Minister Son Sann was scheduled to arrive in Bangkok Sunday to attend the meeting, another resistance official said.

Prime Minister Hun Sen of the Vietnamese-installed government in Phnom Penh earlier said he was prepared to return to Bangkok for the meeting on Monday.

''The question of the election of Prince Sihanouk as chairman of the council is at the top of the agenda,'' said a Sihanoukist official.

Earlier Friday, Sihanouk released a statement reversing his decision to take a six-month leave of absence from political activities.

''Samdech Preah (Prince) Norodom Sihanouk of Cambodia has decided to preside over the newly-formed Supreme National Council once all the Cambodian parties, in particular, the party of (Prime Minister) Hun Sen, request him (to do so) '' said a statement released by Sihanouk's office in Bangkok.

The council is a key part of a U.N. plan to return peace to Cambodia after 11 years of conflict and must immediately decide on key questions including Cambodia's representation at next week's U.N. General Assembly meeting.

Last Monday, the 67-year-old Sihanouk announced that he would refuse to serve as a member or head of the council.

He also refused to attend the meeting in Jakarta that established the council and said he would be taking a six-month leave of absence from activities as

leader of the three-part resistance coalition.

In forming the 12-member council, however, the four Cambodian factions provided for the election of a 13th member as chairman of the council - a spot clearly earmarked for the mercurial Sihanouk, who is known for his abrupt changes of position.

In an interview broadcast by resistance radio Friday, Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Samphan said he and other resistance leaders had agreed to elect Sihanouk as the council chairman because ''Sihanouk is the only statesman everyone respects and accepts both in and out of the country as leader of the Cambodian nation.''

Hun Sen, the leader of the Vietnamese-installed government, however, reacted coolly to earlier hints that Sihanouk would like to join the council.

He told reporters in Bangkok Thursday he understood Sihanouk wanted to take rest and would not want to disturb him.

Instead he proposed that Chau Sen Kosal, another member of Sihanouk's group, take the chairmanship of the council.

This apparently forced Sihanouk to ask for the post directly.

The first Council meeting is expected to consider four tasks:

- election of a chairman,

- selection of a joint delegation to the U.N. General Assembly,

- implementation of a voluntary ceasefire.

- working out a moratorium on foreign arms aid to all groups.

Cambodia's seat at the United Nations currently is held by Sihanouk's coalition and the agreed change in the accreditation was a key incentive for Hun Sen's government to agree to the rest of the peace plan.

In Phnom Penh, Hun Sen told reporters that if the Council meeting could not be held before the opening of the General Assembly on Sept. 18, then all 12 members of the Council could sign the credentials for the delegation.

The U.N. peace plan provides for a transition U.N. administration that will separate and disarm the battling armies, confirm the departure of all foreign troops, enforce an end to outside military aid and hold free elections.

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OTTAWA (SEPT. 14) UPI - Canada, driven by the Persian Gulf crisis, signed a $5.2 billion pact Friday with a consortium of four oil companies to immediately begin developing the Hibernia oil field off the coast of Newfoundland.

Canadian Energy Minister Jake Epp denied that the decision to start development was driven by the Gulf crisis and escalating oil prices. ''It reflects a need for Canada to have energy self-sufficiency,'' he said.

The Gulf crisis precipitated by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait has resulted in crude oil prices rising by about a third to $30 a barrel.

The oil field, estimated to contain between 525 and 650 million barrels of recoverable oil 240 feet below sea level, would begin producing oil by 1996. Hibernia would add an average of 110,000 barrels daily to Canada's oil production.

The consortium partners are Mobil Oil Canada, with a 28.125 percent interest, Gulf Canada Resources and Petro-Canada, each with a 25 percent interest, and Chevron Canada Resources, which has a 21.875 percent stake.

The agreement also was signed by the provincial government of Newfoundland.

The project, which took about 26 months to negotiate and became stalled several times last year as oil prices continued to drop, will be one of the country's largest and most controversial undertakings.

The Canadian government contributed $1 billion cash and $1.7 billion in loan guarantees to get the project started.

The oil fields were discovered 11 years ago, but many companies were skeptical whether a drilling rig structure could be designed to withstand the stormy Atlantic Ocean area known to locals as Iceberg Alley.

To withstand the environment, engineers have designed a huge concrete tub 327 feet wide by 278 feet high that will reach from the seabed to 15 feet above sealevel.

Caissons projecting from the top of the tub will support five topside ''supermodules'' containing facilities for drilling, oil and gas processing and crew quarters.

The so-called gravity base, which will be able to store up to 1.3 million barrels of oil, and one of the supermodules, will be constructed in Great Mosquito Cove in Bull Arm, an uninhabited cove about 90 miles west of St. John's, Newfoundland.

Government officials said 48 wells will be drilled from the gravity base into the Hibernia reservoir by the platform's two drilling rigs.

Floating rigs may be used to drill an additional 35 wells away from the main drilling structure. These would be fitted with subsea wellheads and connected to the gravity base by subsea pipelines.

Oil will be transferred to three specially designed 120,000 tonne tankers, each capable of carrying 850,000 barrels of oil, through two offshore loading systems located one mile from the main platform.

According to the oil consortium, as much as 60 percent of the $5.2 billion capital cost will be met by Canadian firms. Canadian companies will also supply 65 percent of the $10 billion operating expenditures.

The project will provide some 35,000 construction jobs over the next six years and another 1,100 permanent ones in Newfoundland, the poorest province in Canada.

Allan Luffman, an oil specialist with Halifax, Nova Scotia-based Geomarine, said the consortium has based its projections on a minimum world oil price of $25 a barrel. But, he said, no one knows the precise oil price the companies need to earn a profit.

Nonetheless, Luffman said the project represented an important step in bringing thousands of jobs to Newfoundland. ''It's not a godsend, (but) there's an immediate boom,'' he said, adding the project would not make Newfoundland a net contributor to the Canadian economy.

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DEERFIELD, Ill. (SEPT. 14) UPI - Premark International Inc. said Friday it has agreed to pay Weldotron Corp. $11.9 million in an out-of-court settlement of two patent-infringement lawsuits.

The suits, filed by Weldotron in U.S. District Court in New Jersey, accused Premark's Hobart division of infringing patents on food-wrapping machine components and sought damages in excess of $200 million.

A Premark spokesman said the company agreed to the settlement to avoid uncertainty and additional costs of further litigation. The company denied any patent infringement or impropriety.

In exchange for the $11.9 million payment, Weldotron agreed to dismiss the two suits and refrain from any futher attempt to enforce the patents against Hobart, according to Premark.

Hobart produces a broad line of food equipment, including food- wrapping machinery.

Premark is a $2.6 billion corporation whose brand names include Tupperware, West Bend, Hobart and Hartco.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - President Bush has picked Walter Massey, a physicist from the University of Chicago, as the new director of the National Science Foundation, the foundation announced Friday.

Massey, 52, vice president for research at the University of Chicago and the Argonne National Laboratory, would replace Erich Bloch, whose six-year term ended last month. Massey's appointment must be confirmed by the Senate.

''Walter Massey has a distinguished record as a scientist, educator and outstanding administrator,'' said Frederick Bernthal, deputy director and acting director of the foundation.

''His selection to lead NSF through the challenges and opportunities of the coming years is an excellent one. He is a dynamic individual and will bring energetic leadership to the foundation,'' he said in a statement.

The foundation is an independent federal agency with an annual budget of more than $2 billion that awards 12,000 to 14,000 grants each year for research in all fields of science, mathematics and engineering.

Massey has been university vice president since 1984. Before that, Massey had been director of the Argonne National Laboratory and a physics professor at the University of Chicago, which manages the laboratory, since 1979.

Massey was an associate professor and professor of physics at Brown University in Providence, R.I., from 1970 to 1979, and an assistant professor of physics at the University of Illinois, Urbana, from 1969 to 1970.

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SEPT. 14) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
AEP Indus (3rd Q 7-31)	
$28,904,000	$29,148,000
$317,000 (.07)	$1,337,000 (.28)

Dataphaz Inc (2nd Q)
$20,379,000 a-$29,702,000
$195,000 (.05) d-$309,000
a-Includes $5,500,000 from the Albuguerque and Dallas/Fort Worth Computerland stores sold.

Killearn Properties (1st Q 7-31)
$5,055,000 $4,014,000
$332,000 (.23) $249,000 (.17)

Provigo Inc (2nd Q 8-11)
$2,017,600,000 $1,905,600,000
a-$18,400,000 (.22) $15,400,000 (.18)
a-Income from continuing operations.

RCM Technologies (3rd Q 7-31)
$7,082,000 $6,060,000
d-$89,000 d-$150,000
d-Deficit.

Riverbend Intl (3rd Q 7-31)
$21,879,000 $26,368,000
$484,000 (.08) $1,661,000 (.29)

Semicon Inc (4th Q 6-30)
$2,380,o000 $3,500,000
d-$3,198,000 $227,000 (.07)
d-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.

Western Publishing (2nd Q 8-4)
$107,858,000 $102,908,000
$1,120,000 (.04) $1,417,000 (.06)

Worthington Indus (1st Q 8-31)
$212,722,000 $212,989,000
a-$11,816,000 (.30) $11,500,000 (.29)
a-Income from continuing operations.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - .

Japan today raised the amount of its financial commitment to the multi-national efforts to confront Iraq in the Persian Gulf. Japan responded to pressure from its allies by pledging an additional three- BILLION dollars to the effort... increasing its total commitment to four-BILLION dollars. Half

of the money will go to support troops in the Gulf and the other half will be given as loans and other aid to front- line states. .

President Bush today asked U-S lawmakers to provide more money for U- S efforts in the Gulf. Bush is seeking nearly two-BILLION dollars in new funds for fiscal 1990 to pay for the growing cost of ''Operation Desert Shield.'' The president also formally requested that lawmakers cancel Egypt's seven-BILLION-dollar debt for military sales.

Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee are continuing a second day of questioning as they look into the nomination of Judge David Souter to the U-S Supreme Court. He told senators this morning that the courts have been forced to take more power because of a vacuum in the decision making processes of the legislative and executive branches of government.

Philippine President Corazon Aquino is calling for an undefined ''new relationship'' with the United States as talks start on the future of U-S bases in the country. But she stopped short in an exclusive interview with United Press International from endorsing a proposed treaty that would allow a continued U-S presence in the Philippines.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Israeli officials and former Mossad chiefs say the author of a controversial book on the Jewish state's spy agency is a traitor and a liar. Israeli authorities characterize the book as being- qoute- ''inflated out of proportion'' and a compilation of lies, half-truths and invention. The book was written by a former Mossad agent who says Israel is now waging a major smear camapign against him because of the book.

Funeral services are being planned following the death of former New York Democratic Congressman Samual Stratton. He died of a heart attack yesterday in a Maryland nursing home at the age of 73. Stratton was known as a super-hawk when it came to defense issues. He served out 15 terms in the House, retiring just two years ago because of failing health.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close

Sept. 13, 1990

Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg	PC Chg

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Growth	447.55	off	7.87	off	0.51
Growth & Income	699.08	off	7.77	off	0.33
Balanced	456.28	off	7.97	off	0.25
Average Fund Performances:					
Capital Appreciation (145)		off	8.72	off	0.44
Growth (259)		off	7.61	off	0.44
Small Co. Growth (82)		off	10.77	off	0.49
Growth & Income (198)		off	7.05	off	0.35
Equity Income (66)		off	8.46	off	0.21
Average 750 Equity		off	8.10	off	0.40
Health/Biotech (9)		up	8.66	up	1.75
Natural Resources (19)		up	1.96	off	0.09
Environmental (5)		off	7.71	up	0.27
Science & Technology (23)		off	7.43	off	0.74
Specialty/Misc (31)		off	8.90	off	0.35
Utility (15)		off	8.44	up	0.06
Financial Services (10)		off	17.44	off	1.22
Real Estate (6)		off	13.01	off	0.07
Option Income (10)		off	6.50	off	0.46
Global (40)		off	6.87	up	0.17
International (56)		off	6.66	up	0.57
European Region (17)		off	0.08	off	0.99
Pacific Region (18)		off	11.72	up	2.77
Gold Oriented (34)		off	15.77	off	3.16
Average All Equity (1038)		off	8.01	off	0.35
Flexible Portfolio (46)		off	4.11	off	0.18
Global Flexible Port (11)		off	3.85	off	0.23
Balanced (60)		off	3.92	off	0.12
Convertible Security (29)		off	5.47	off	0.26
Mixed Income (14)		off	2.76	off	0.07
Income (4)		off	4.78	up	0.07
World Income (44)		up	7.24	off	0.18
Fixed Income (532)		up	1.58	up	0.09
Average 1783 Funds		off	4.38	off	0.20
Median 1783 Funds		off	4.34	off	0.08
Unmanaged Market Indicators:					
DJ Industrial	2,582.67	off	6.19	off	0.53
S&P 500	318.65	off	9.83	off	0.57
S&P 400	376.88	off	6.60	off	0.69
NYSE Composite	175.16	off	10.19	off	0.51
Amex	322.01	off	14.81	off	0.77

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)

Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 14) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	78.70	79.07	78.45	78.62	78.70
Dec	76.40	77.20	76.40	76.87	76.52
Feb	75.10	75.50	74.92	75.10	75.10
Apr	75.65	76.00	75.40	75.42	75.65
Jun	73.62	73.87	73.30	73.57	73.65
Aug	72.25	72.25	71.80	71.80	71.95
Oct	72.00	72.00	71.85	71.85	71.90

Est. sales 14,435 contracts; Thursday 12,161; open interest 70,990 off 25.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Sep	88.35	88.90	88.35	88.75	88.20
Oct	86.95	87.35	86.70	87.17	86.95
Nov	86.80	87.25	86.65	86.97	86.65
Jan	86.27	86.47	86.15	86.42	86.25
Mar	84.90	85.10	84.87	85.00	84.87
Apr	83.90	84.10	83.85	83.95	83.75
May	82.80	82.97	82.80	82.90	82.75

Est. sales 1,324 contracts; Thursday 1,763; open interest 10,346 up 348.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	50.62	51.95	50.55	51.87	50.62
Dec	51.10	51.85	51.00	51.67	51.00
Feb	48.30	49.02	49.30	48.75	48.32
Apr	45.00	45.60	44.95	45.57	44.90
Jun	49.20	50.00	49.20	49.32	49.92
Jly	49.35	50.00	49.35	50.00	49.62
Aug	48.00	48.70	48.00	48.60	48.30
Oct	....	43.70	43.35	43.70	43.40

Est. sales 8,554 contracts; Thursday 8,176; open interest 26,210 off 627.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	53.55	54.95	53.25	54.65	53.00
Mar	53.30	54.85	53.25	54.62	52.97
May	54.30	55.50	54.00	55.37	53.82
Jly	54.20	55.35	54.20	55.25	53.82
Aug	....	52.90	52.90	51.90	51.90

Est. sales 2,906 contracts; Thursday 3,086; open interest 6,042 off 177.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of

fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 120.50 up 16 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 119.35 up 30 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 114.65 up 9 cents, 700-850 lbs. 114.22 up 33 cents.

Pork carlot trading very slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts steady in a very light test; skinned hams mostly 1.00-2.00 higher; seedless bellies 3.00-5.00 higher than last test; loins 14-18 lbs. 115.50-121.00; butts 4-8 lbs. 77.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 93.00-94.00, 20-26 lbs. 92.00- 94.00, 26-32 lbs. 90.00, 32 lbs. and up 89.00; bellies 12-16 lbs. 53.00-55.00.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - President Bush denounced as outrageous Friday the Iraqi army's intrusion into several embassies in Kuwait, saying such incidents violate international law and raise tensions in the volatile Middle East.

Speaking to reporters on the south lawn as he left for Camp David, Bush condemned Iraq's violation of the French, Canadian, Dutch and Belgium embassies in Kuwait City, but said he ''wouldn't put it closer to a war situation.''

''I still hope that this matter can be peacefully resolved,'' Bush said.

''But any of these incidents - all of them - add up to a violation of international law and I think they do raise tensions; they clearly do.''

Asked if he were rattling his saber, Bush replied, ''When I rattle a saber the man (Iraq President Saddam Hussein) will know it.''

Bush said he called French President Francois Mitterrand after the invasion of the French Embassy residence by Iraqi forces and told him, ''I will do whatever I could to support what he decides to do.''

After the Iraqi army took over Kumwait last month, Saddam ordered all foreign embassies closed on grounds Kumwait was no longer a soverign nation, but a part of Iraq. The United States and most other countries refused to obey the order and their embassies remain open. The U.S. Embassy was not included in those that were invaded.

Iraqi forces burst into the French Embassy residence and Canadian embassy, detaining several diplomats, including the American consul, but later released all but three French civilians.

Bush described the Iraqi break-in as ''outrageous.''

''These developments not only underscore the brutal behavior of Iraq but also the international support that exists and is marshalled against '' is marshalled against

''I've often said it is not the United States against Iraq but Iraq against the world,'' Bush said.

He repeated that U.S. forces were sent to Saudi Arabia at the request of King Fahd's government ''and those same U.S. forces will depart as soon as they are no longer needed or wanted. And they will remain not one day longer.''

Bush confirmed reports that in accordance with the U.N.-sanctioned blockade, an American warship fired a warning shot across the bow of an Iraqi-flagged tanker heading for Iranian waters.

''We did cause another Iraqi vessel to heave to,'' Bush acknowledged. He said the vessel was boarded and, ''I expect, confidently, that if it is not carrying any contraband or anything that will violate the sanctions, it will be permitted to go on its way.

''But it did require a bit of a warning before the captain pulled over and permitted the boarding party to have a look,'' he explained.

In his brief opening statement, Bush thanked Japan, which had been under pressure to increase its financial commitment to the military buildup in the gulf, for providing an additional $3 billion in aid. The new infusion of money brought to $4 billion the total given by Japan.

''It is a significant contribution,'' said Bush, who also praised the British for sending an additional brigade to the troubled area.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages fell to 10.13 percent from 10.19 percent and adjustable-rate notes dipped to 8.26 percent from 8.29 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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#90257u1366 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (SEPT. 14) UPI - Kansas City Power & Light Co. Friday asked takeover target Kansas Gas and Electric Co. to release non-public information sought by KCP&L as soon as possible.

KCP&L's financial advisers requested the information Wednesday, the day after KGE said it was negotiating with a third party and would allow KCP&L to have certain information also made available to other parties.

In a letter Friday to KGE Chairman Wilson Cadman, KCP&L Chairman Drue Jennings said the company had not yet received the information.

''We are prepared to enter into a reasonable confidentiality agreement immediately provided that it does not inhibit our ability to pursue our current offer,'' he said.

KCP&L on July 23 announced an unsolicited tender of $857 million in cash, or $27 a share, for KGE's common stock.

The KGE board recommended that shareholders reject the KCP&L offer.

''This process which we are anxious to begin can only benefit your shareholders and customers and it is a surprise and somewhat disquieting to us at KCP&L that there has been such a delay in starting this process,'' Jennings said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Gold futures closed 220 to 230 points higher Friday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	386.90	....	....	385.10	382.90
Oct	388.00	389.50	385.30	386.40	384.20
Dec	392.50	394.00	389.00	391.00	388.80
Feb	395.40	397.40	394.00	395.20	393.00
Apr	399.50	400.00	399.00	399.20	397.00
Jun	405.20	405.20	403.40	403.40	401.20
Aug	409.10	....	....	407.30	405.10
Oct	409.00	411.80	409.00	411.80	409.50
Dec	419.00	419.00	416.40	416.40	414.10
Feb	423.00	423.00	421.30	421.30	419.00
Apr	427.70	427.70	426.00	426.00	423.70
Jun	432.70	432.70	431.00	431.00	428.70

Open interest: 115,384 off 230.

Estimated sales: 40,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold
London

Previous close fix	383.75	up 2.25
Morning fixing	384.30	up 0.55
Afternoon fixing	386.20	up 2.45
Close	385.25	up 1.50
Paris	386.57	up 3.29
Zurich	386.50	up 4.00
Hong Kong	384.85	up 2.50
New York		
Comex spot close	385.10	up 2.20
Republic cash	386.00	up 2.25
Handy and Harman	386.20	up 4.00

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 387.51 up 4.01 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 406.89 up 4.21 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.75	off 0.023
Republic cash	4.775	off 0.035

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.79 per fine ounce unchanged.

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.77 off 0.035 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.100 off 0.041

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 459.00 unchanged per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 559.00 unchanged.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 107.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 122.00 up 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 7 point higher to 9 points lower. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.94	11.02	10.85	10.98	10.91
Mar	10.67	10.75	10.58	10.60	10.64
May	10.69	10.75	10.58	10.59	10.67
Jly	10.73	10.75	10.59	10.59	10.68
Oct	10.82	10.82	10.66	10.67	10.76

Estimated sales: 22,117 contracts
Open interest: 115,219 off 229
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.12

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday unchanged to 14 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	22.95	23.05	22.95	23.02	22.95
Jan	22.75	22.80	22.75	22.76	22.70
Mar	22.85	22.85	22.79	22.80	22.75
May	22.95	22.95	22.89	22.89	22.77
Jly	22.83	22.95	22.83	22.94	22.80
Sep	22.95	22.95	22.94	22.94	22.89
Nov	22.70	22.70	22.70	22.70	22.70

Estimated sales: 270 contracts
Open interest: 10,287 up 95

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#90257u1389 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA, NICARAGUA (SEPT. 14) UPI - Nicaraguans celebrated the 169th anniversary of their independence from Spain Friday, and the processions were peaceful despite Sandinista calls for a stepped-up ''popular struggle.''

Thousands of high school students gathered in Revolution Plaza where they began their annual march through the streets of the capital.

On a platform facing the students, President Violeta Chamorro and other government leaders oversaw the event.

''We have gained democracy like we gained independence in 1821 - through peace '' Chamorro told the crowd, referring to Feb. 25 election defeat of former Sandinista President Daniel Ortega.

She also announced that the national dialogue she has promised to bring together all social sectors of the country will begin next Thursday.

She said it will include ''the participation of all forces that exist in the country - workers, producers, peasants, businessmen and members of the government.''

''We have to understand that we have to strive as brothers, and strive in democracy,'' she said.

On the eve of the holiday, the Sandinista Front said the government's economic policies have not created the conditions necessary for a national dialogue.

''The Sandinista Front calls on the workers and all the people to maintain belligerent actions and to struggle for their legitimate rights by whatever means possible,'' said a written statement read by Sandinista Directorate member Luis Carrion.

Friday's banner headline in the official Sandinista newspaper Barricada read, ''Sandinista Front calls for popular struggle.''

Friday's celebrations were peaceful, however, despite some minor disturbances that broke out in the plaza between students, who typically display the same party spirit as their parents and older brothers and sisters.

Several high schools from predominantly Sandinista neighborhoods wore handerchiefs with the red and black Sandinista colors under their blue and white uniforms. As they passed the presidential platform, they pulled them out and waved them around.

Others formed human pyramids while waiting to join the march and hoisted youths carrying red and black flags high into the air. Students who support Chamorro's National Opposition Union (UNO) pelted the pyramids with plastic bags filled with water.

At one point, about 30 Sandinista youths rushed the procession in front of Chamorro before being turned back by police.

''We urge an immediate solution to our demands,'' read a banner held by some students.

Most of the school groups marched orderly, however, with marching bands playing hymns and cheerleaders walking proudly to the whistles of male admirers.

Chamorro's appearance in the plaza was her first since taking office April 25. After more than a decade of Sandinista rule, the plaza still bears the marks of the Sandinistas everywhere. On the National Palace, behind the presidential platform where Chamorro stood, hang large paintings of Sandinista namesake Augusto Cesar Sandino and the late Sandinista co-founder, Carlos Fonseca.

After the independence celebration, Chamorro dedicated a ''monument to peace'' several blocks from the plaza. Thousands of guns that have been rounded up from the population over the past few months since the Contra war ended were buried in a large hole that was filled-in with cement. The monument is to be constructed on the site.

''We are burying these arms to reinforce peace in our homeland ... so that no more blood is spilled,'' Chamorro said as trucks dumped the guns into the hole.

Although the main independence celebrations are on Friday, Nicaragua's Independence Day is Sept. 15, when in 1821 Spain signed a pact that liberated Central America from colonial control.

Sept. 14 also marks the day in 1856 when Nicaragua kicked out American opportunist William Walker, who marched into Nicaragua with a small force and proclaimed himself president of the country.

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#90257u1398 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - A U.S. warship and an Australian warship in the Gulf of Oman fired warning shots Friday and sent a joint boarding party aboard an Iraqi oil tanker before allowing it to proceed, the Pentagon said.

No injuries were reported.

The Navy frigate USS Brewton intercepted the 41,400-ton Iraqi tanker Al-Fao in the gulf as it was heading north toward the Strait of Hormuz, the opening to the Persian Gulf, the Pentagon said.

The Fao reported it was bound for the port of Basra, Iraq's second largest city, but the tanker refused to stop and receive a boarding party to inspect its cargo to ensure it was not violating U.N. sanctions, the Pentagon said.

''After several requests to permit boarding, the Brewton fired the first warning shots from one of its .50 caliber machine guns at approximately 4:40 p.m. local time'' across the bow of the tanker, the Pentagon said.

The Australian navy frigate HMAS Darwin, which was standing nearby, ''fired a second set of warning shots, also from a .50 caliber machine gun, about 10 minutes later,'' the Pentagon said.

President Bush, who had earlier confirmed the boarding, said ''it did require a bit of a warning'' to get the Iraqi vessel to stop.

''The master of the Al-Fao then announced he was stopping his ship and would permit boarding,'' the Pentagon said. ''A joint boarding party from the Brewton and the Darwin boarded the tanker, conducted a coordinated investigation and determined the ship contained no prohibited cargo.

''The Al-Fao was permited to proceed to its destination at approximately 9 p.m. local time,'' the Pentagon said.

It was at least the second boarding of an Iraqi ship and the third firing of warning shots by U.S. forces since the United States on Aug. 17 began enforcing a U.N. embargo against Iraqi oil and goods, an action taken in response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

On Aug. 18, U.S. warships fired warning shots across the bows of two Iraqi oil tankers heading out of the Persian Gulf, but the vessels ignored the warnings and continued on their way. The U.S. warships took no further action.

The United Nations later approved enforcement of its sanctions.

On Sept. 4, a U.S. warship boarded and seized control of the Iraqi freighter Zanoobia, heading toward the Persian Gulf with a cargo of tea from Sri Lanka. The boarding party took control of the Zanoobia for nearly a day, before obtaining assurances it would depart the area without unloading.

The Pentagon said there had been more than 840 interceptions - mostly involving radio contact - of foreign commercial vessels in the Persian Gulf, Gulf of Oman and the Red Sea as part of the effort to enforce the embargo.

So far, about 40 commercial vessels have been boarded by naval forces in the region, including about 35 by the United States, Pentagon spokesman Bob Hall said.

The United States has nearly 55 warships in the Middle East, including the aircraft carrier USS Independence in the Gulf of Oman and the aircraft carriers USS John F. Kennedy and the USS Saratoga in the Red Sea.

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LONDON (SEPT. 14) UPI - Britain announced Friday it was reinforcing its military presence in the Persian Gulf with more than 6,000 British troops and 120 tanks.

''The government has decided to send the 7th Armoured Brigade to Saudi Arabia '' Defense Secretary Tom King said at a news conference.

A week after Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, Britain dispatched more than 3,000 troops to the gulf to join a multinational force in protecting Saudi Arabia and other states from any Iraqi threat.

King said the armoured brigade that will be sent to the gulf from West Germany includes 6,000 troops.

''It will consist of two armored regiments with some 120 Challanger tanks, an armoured infantry battalion equipped with warrior armoured fighting vehicles, an armoured squadron equipped with Scimitar combat vehicles, a field regiment RA with 155mm self-propelled guns, an air defense battery with Javelin missiles and a full range of supporting serveices,'' King said.

He said the government also was reinforcing its air force units already in the

gulf with a squadron of Tornado GRI and Tornado air- defense aircraft.

King said the purpose for the deployment was, ''First to ensure that no further aggression can possibly succeed and that the defensive shield is sure for Saudi Arabia and the threatened gulf states.

''Secondly, to ensure that (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein understands that while we seek the implementation of the United Nations resolutions by peaceful means, other options remain available and that, one way or another, he will lose.''

King said Britain was determined to drive Saddam out of Kuwait.

''Iraq's evil aggression must be reversed, and my announcement today confirms our determination to play our full part in the worldwide effort to achieve this.''

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - A Pentagon official who asked to remain anonymous says a U-S warship in the Gulf of Oman fired a warning shot to stop an Iraqi-flagged oil tanker headed toward Iranian waters. Sailors then boarded the vessel. The official says the armed boarding party was still aboard the vessel at mid-day. .

In Washington, President Bush asked Congress for one-BILLION 885- Million dollars in new funds for fiscal 1990 to cover growing costs in the Persian Gulf build-up. Bush also formally asked Congress to cancel the seven-BILLION-dollar Egyptian debt for military sales. .

Japan today pledged an additional three-BILLION dollars to help fund the Persian Gulf effort to force an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait. Japan thus raised its commitment to the enterprise to four-BILLION dollars... one-half to support international forces in the Gulf region and one-half to aid the front-line states of Egypt, Jordan and Turkey. .

The U-N Security Council has voted to authorize distribution of food to refugees stranded in Iraq and Kuwait... provided that the aid effort is under the supervision of the Red Cross or international relief groups. The Security Council vote last night came on an urgent request from India, the Philippines and Sri Lanka.

Supreme Court nominee David Souter says it is up to the executive and legislative branches of government to resolve key issues on such vital issues as abortion. Souter is being questioned for a second day at Senate confirmation hearings on his bid to replace retiring Supreme Court Justice William Brennan.

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#90257u1449 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 14) UPI - Economists are forecasting grim news for the U-S economy in the coming months. The government reported a one-point-three percent rise in wholesale prices in August... and the news got worse. Retail sales plunged six-tenths of one percent, and weak industrial production dipped another two-tenths of one percent last month.

Philippines President Corazon Aquino says she favors exploring a new U-S-Philippines relationship, but stopped short of endorsing a proposed broad treaty approving a continued U-S presence. In a U-P-I interview, Aquino said she is confident about finishing the last two years of her six-year term despite six coup attempts.

For the second time this week, South African President de Klerk met with black leader Nelson Mandela about fighting between rival black groups in townships near Johannesburg. Both men agree the wave of violence threatens racial reform and could stall progress to end 42 years of white minority rule.

A Soviet Communist Party official says declining membership dues this year means the party may have to dip into a eight-point-three-BILLION- dollar reserve fund. He says the drop in revenue resulted from a move to reduce membership dues as a way of slowing the exodus from the Communist party.

Israeli leaders and intelligence officials describe as a liar and a traitor the author of a book on the Israeli intelligence agency Mossad. A New York appeals court yesterday lifted a ban on distribution of the book, ''By Way of Deception: The Making and Unmaking a Mossad Officer,'' by an ex-Israeli agent.

A Gallup poll taken in Chicago found fewer than one-third of those polled who have an opinion support Operation PUSH's boycott of Nike. PUSH called for a boycott of the sneaker-maker, accusing the Oregon- based company of NOT doing enough for the black community.

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#90257u1512 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
BETHESDA, Md. (SEPT. 14) UPI - A 4-year-old child stricken by a rare immune disease underwent the first official attempt at human gene therapy Friday, ushering in what researchers said may be a ''revolution in medicine.''

Everything went smoothly at the National Institutes of Health during the historic procedure involving a child suffering from an immune system defect similar to that which afflicted David, the famed Texas ''bubble boy,'' NIH sources said.

The name, sex and hometown of the child were not released, but researchers referred to the patient as ''her.''

Dr. W. French Anderson of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, head of the research team, said although his experiment focuses on an uncommon disease that strikes few people, it marks a ''crucial, first small step'' towards using genetic techniques to fight everything from cancer to AIDS to heart disease.

''If this works, gene therapy might very well become a major new revolution in medicine. This should provide cures for diseases that are now incurable,'' Anderson told a Thursday news conference. Scientists were unavailable for comment Friday, saying they wanted to remain at the child's bedside.

Jeremy Rifkin of the non-profit Foundation on Economic Trends in Washington Friday petitioned the NIH, voicing opposition to the experiment and calling for creation of a committee to review the social and ethical implications of all human gene experiments.

''The NIH has brought us into the Brave New World of human genetic engineering. We are calling for a complete halt on future human gene therapy experiments until and advisory board on eugenics is established,'' said Rifkin a long-time critic of attempts to alter human's genetic makeup.

Every person has about 100,000 genes bearing the blueprint for everything from eye color to the risk of developing certain diseases. Gene therapy involves inserting genes with correct information into cells that contain defective genes, or putting in new genes that carry instructions for the production of disease-fighting substances.

The child treated Friday suffers from an immune disorder caused by defect in a gene that prevents the production of an enzyme known as adenosine deaminase, or ADA.

The disease affects no more than 20 children worldwide at any given time, and in the past, some affected youngsters lived in plastic bubbles to guard against life-threatening infections. Now, most such children undergo bone marrow transplants or receive injections of the missing enzyme.

The NIH team drew blood from the young patient, artifically encouraged white blood cells that play a key role in immunity to multiply, inserted correct copies of the gene and then returned the genetically altered cells back into her body.

About 1 billion genetically altered cells - about 6 tablespoons of material - were infused into the child over a half-hour period that ended about 1 p.m., the researchers said.

The child was placed in NIH's intensive care unit during the procedure and for several hours afterwards as a precautionary measure. If all goes well, the youngster will be allowed to return home Saturday. She will then undergo similar infusions every month for the next two or three years.

Researchers said it could take up to a year to see if the therapy is working to reconstitute the child's immune defenses. ''We certainly don't expect to tell you within this week that the treatment is a rousing success,'' said Dr. R. Michael Blaese of the National Cancer Institute.

It is hoped the procedure can eventually be done essentialy by ''mail order'' - shipping patients' blood back and forth between NIH and their home hospitals researchers said.

Researchers have government permission to try the therapy on up to 10 patients and they expect to treat one more child by the end of the year and another one or two by September 1991.

The gene therapy will be conducted only on youngsters who do not have siblings who can donate bone marrow and who are not responding well to enzyme replacement.

The proposal has gone through more than three years of review to address concerns of critics who worry gene therapy could lead to ethically questionable attempts at genetic engineering.

Anderson said the ''ultrasafe'' approach taken by researchers should have dispelled most of what he called the ''Frankenstein concern,'' the fear that researchers may misuse the power to manipulate human genes.

''I believe Americans are comfortable (with the idea of gene therapy) and are as excited as we are,'' Anderson said.

The FDA is still reviewing the proposal of Dr. Steven Rosenberg of the National Cancer Institute, who also recently won NIH approval to use gene therapy to enhance another experimental therapy skin cancer patients.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

NYSE Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.
Bonds - Lower.
American Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.
London Stocks - Closed sharply lower in moderate trading.
Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in moderate trading.
Dollar - Mostly lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.
Cotton - Lower.
Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1/4 to 1 3/4, soybeans up 3/4 to 3 1/2, wheat down 2 1/2 to 4 1/2 and oats unchanged to up 1/4.
Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - As an 8 p.m. closure deadline approached, the New York Post had come to agreement with at least three of its nine unions Friday afternoon but roadblocks remained with its biggest union, the Newspaper Guild.

The Guild, representing 352 reporters, editors and advertising workers, appeared to be balking at demands for more than $5 million in concessions that the union says will reduce pay and benefits by 46 percent for its members.

Meanwhile, staff prepared two newspapers, one to report the tabloid's survival and another in case cost-cutting talks failed to keep the paper alive.

''We have to be prepared for either outcome,'' said Managing Editor Lou Colasuonno.

As the clock ticked closer to the 8 p.m. deadline set by owner Peter Kalikow for negotiating over $17 million in staff and salary cuts from unions, tensions prompted an abrupt request for a meeting with Cardinal John O'Connor.

One source said negotiators agreed to the meeting at St. Patrick's Cathedral for ''divine intervention.''

Kalikow has said he will shut the 189-year-old tabloid after Saturday's edition if he cannot staunch the flow of red ink which reportedly has cost him more than $100 million in the two years he has owned the paper.

Barry Lipton, head of the Newspaper Guild of New York, said management ''has resisted any approach that does not include a massive cut in wages for our members.''

A spokesman for Kalikow said the millionaire real estate developer visited the negotiating site in the morning, but denied he personally participated in the talks.

''They know he's concerned,'' said the spokesman, Gary Lewi, describing both sides as optimistic.

Downtown, at the Post building in the shadow of the Brooklyn Bridge, Colasuonno said moods varied as widely as the two potential Saturday newspapers under preparation.

''These things always go down to the wire,'' Colasuonno said. ''It could be a production problem for us. It's going to be an emotional ride for the staff.''

Colasuonno himself will write the Post front page headline.

''We'll do the front page the way we always do it. We're not going to change our style now,'' he said.

Post columnist Ray Kerrison Friday lamented the newspaper's possible fate, recalling the half-dozen papers that thrived in New York during the 1950s.

''After nearly 14 years here, I've grown to love the Post,'' he said. ''It does what tabloid newspapers are supposed to do: yell and scream, highlight issues, inform, amuse, explain, arouse.

''Some people don't understand the role, and elitists look down their noses, but I've been a tabloid newspaperman all my life and I wouldn't have it any other way.''

Management at the Daily News and The New York Times have said they would seek similar contract concessions from the same unions if they gave in to the demands by the Post's management.

Kalikow said he ''desperately'' wants to keep the Post alive but is no longer willing to pour more millions into the paper, which he said has cost him more than $100 million since he bought it from Rupert Murdoch in 1988. He expects to lose $27 million this year, a figure verified by the unions' accountants.

Unionized reporters and editors at the Post currently make a base salary of $42,000.

The closing of the Post would leave New York with just three major daily newspapers - the Daily News, The New York Times and New York Newsday. At one time, as many as twelve dailies flourished in Gotham - but since the 1960s, once-powerful papers which closed have included the Mirror, the Herald Tribune the Journal-American, the World Telegram & Sun and the Long Island Press.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - unchanged to $3 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.00 cent higher to 0.10 cent a pound lower for a 37,500- pound contract.

Copper - 0.50 to 1.95 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.15 to 0.90 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.20 to $2.30 an ounce higher for a 100-troy- ounce contract.

Platinum - $0.60 to $1.00 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.30 cent to 2.75 cents a pound lower for a 15,000- pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 2.3 to 3 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy- ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.007 cent higher to 0.009 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 14) UPI - Black leader Nelson Mandela said Friday President Frederik de Klerk has concluded "some hidden hand" trying to sabotage his racial reform program is behind the wave of urban black violence.

Mandela, in a rare comment on the president's thinking after a meeting with him earlier Friday, told a news conference De Klerk had accepted the violence was the work of unidentified forces similar to the right-wing Renamo movement active in neighboring Mozambique.

He said De Klerk had outlined a ''comprehensive plan'' to crush the violence that has left more than 720 dead since early August and that further progress in negotiating a power-sharing deal in the country hung in balance pending its successful implementation.

De Klerk announced Thursday night the plan would be unveiled next week and his Law and Order Minister, Adriaan Vlok, said it included ''certain drastic steps.'' The imposition last month of emergency powers for security forces in 27 black townships has had no evident success.

De Klerk acknowledged in his statement Thursday there were unidentified ''forces which do not wish peaceful negotiations to succeed'' and that his calls for a ''new South Africa'' were being undermined by the slaughter. He vowed the offenders, ''whoever they may be, will be firmly dealt with.''

The U.S. State Department said it is ''absolutely imperative ... that all parties put political considerations aside and work together to develop a

strategy for ending the violence.''

The violence continued to rage Friday, a day after 26 people were killed and more than 100 wounded when a group of black attackers rampaged through a commuter train as it headed out of Johannesburg at rush-hour.

Police spokesman Col. Frans Malberbe said 15 people were injured, again at rush-hour Friday when they were thrown off trains heading through downtown. Several victims were treated on the sidewalk outside the Jeppe Station as scores of police took up positions on overpasses and crowds gathered.

Earlier in the day, a gang of five men fatally shot three taxi drivers at point-blank range and fire-bombed their vehicles at a taxi stand in the nation's largest black township of Soweto, police said. Three passengers also were injured.

''One of the significant statements he made,'' Mandela said of his talks with De Klerk, ''was that the government is convinced that this is no longer a clash between black and black. It is no longer a clash between Inkatha and the ANC, or between Zulu and Xhosa.

''There is some hidden hand here which the government intends to track down and this comprehensive plan which they have adopted is intended to track down those people who are responsible for this carnage.''

''He also is of the opinion that behind the carnage are people who want to destabilize or derail the peace process,'' Mandela said.

De Klerk has previously called on Mandela, as leader of the ANC, and Mangosuthu Buthelezi of the rival Zulu movement Inkatha to meet in a bid to end the mayhem. Senior police officials have characterized the fighting as tribal, between Xhosas of the ANC and Zulus of Inkatha.

Indeed, the fighting that erupted between Zulus living in migrant worker hostels in the black townships surrounding Johannesburg and the permanent residents was easily characterized as Zulu-Xhosa, or Inkatha-ANC.

But attacks of recent days have become seemingly more random, more indiscriminate, with the attackers, identified by witnesses as black, staging quick strikes and then disappearing without a trace. Analysts have warned of a ''Third Force'' operating in the country.

Mandela said the bloodletting in recent days, including gunmen opening fire on pedestrians from passing mini-buses and the train attacks, was the work of ''highly professional killers.''

''We are not here dealing with amateurs. We are actually having in this country the beginning of the Renamo movement.''

Renamo, the right-wing guerrilla movement in the former Portuguese colony of Mozambique, was originally formed by the white security forces in former Rhodesia in 1977 to destabilize the newly independent Marxist-led country.

Support for the movement later shifted to South Africa when Rhodesia became Zimbabwe, extending a crippling war that has left hundreds of thousands dead and the country's economy bankrupt.

Although official South African support has ended in favor of an era of rapproachment, Mozambicans continue to allege Renamo receives funding from right-wing forces in South Africa.

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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (SEPT. 14) UPI - Florida's Lotto frenzy has hit such a feverish pitch that lottery officials decided Friday they would not try to estimate the final size of the jackpot, already pegged at more than $100 million.

The prize for Saturday night's drawing is currently the second largest in U.S. history - the biggest is a $115 million Pennsylvania jackpot split by 14 winners in April 1989 - and officials said there is a slim chance that last-minute purchases could drive Florida's payoff to first on the list.

At 1 p.m. Friday, players were buying the $1 Lotto tickets at a record pace, more than 590 per second, surpassing Thursday's rate of 450 per second, which itself was a record.

Lottery Secretary Rebecca Paul said sales were unpredictable because of the volumes, and lottery officials wanted to avoid overestimating the final amount which would be known along with the winners or winners by noon Sunday.

Meanwhile, Gov. Bob Martinez, who opposed creation of the lottery and has vowed never to purchase a ticket, called a revenue-estimating conference for next Monday to decide what to do with the one-time windfall, which could reach as high as $30 million.

Friday's record sales were exactly what lottery officials and retailers had predicted, since Fridays and Saturdays are traditionally the busiest days for ticket sales. Approximately 75 percent of Lotto ticket sales take place on those days, in part because many players get paid at the end of the week or buy their tickets while doing weekend grocery shopping.

The jackpot has attracted national attention and reports of large- scale purchases from residents of other states, like the two men who flew down from New York and bought 10,000 tickets from a Shell gas station in Pembroke Pines.

It took seven hours to print out the tickets, which the men picked up Friday in a shopping bag.

The men declined to give their last names.

''(If I win) I'll lose it in Atlantic City or somewhere else,'' Mike said. ''It's a chance, a gamble; it's a game.''

Tony Sinisi, the manager of the station, was shocked by the men's purchase.

''I was amazed. I couldn't believe someone would spend that much money on lottery tickets at one time - unbelievable,'' Sinisi said.

Sinisi said that if nobody won Saturday's drawing, the ticket buyers said they would return for 20,000 tickets.

Across the state, retailers were bracing for an even more hectic pace on Saturday.

''I can't even imagine what tomorrow is going to be like,'' said Linda Minter, a convenience store clerk in Tampa who served a steady stream of lottery hopefuls.

Fernando Beneda, manager of a Farm Stores outlet in Miami, said he had sold more than 2,000 tickets by midday Friday and estimated he would sell about 25,000 by the end of the week, compared with about 13,500 last week.

Not everyone has lottery fever, though. Some small business owners, like Lloyd Simon, owner of Zach Street News in downtown Tampa, said lottery sales are a major headache.

''It ties up our register and ties up the front of the store. I make 40 percent off my magazines and only 5 percent on the lottery tickets,'' Simon said.

''I told them to take this lottery stuff out before, but they begged us to keep it in,'' he said. ''Keeping this stuff means hiring extra help and extra bookkeeping. You're making a profit, but it's not worth the effort or work you put into it. ... It's a hard-earned 5 percent.''

In Tallahassee, lottery officials said the central computer was handling the crush with no problems. Another 30 computer terminals were added Wednesday and Thursday, bringing the total number of outlets statewide to about 7,480, close to the lottery computer's capacity of 7, 500 outlets.

The 30 additional terminals were added at retail outlets along the Florida border with Alabama and Georgia where all but three of the state's top 20

sales outlets are located.

Ticket sales end at 10:30 p.m. Saturday, 30 minutes before the drawing.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - Supreme Court nominee David Souter, in his second day of confirmation hearings, told a Senate committee Friday ''I have not made up my mind'' about how to rule on a challenge to the 1973 decision legalizing abortion.

The federal appeals court judge repeatedly has refused to reveal to the Senate Judiciary Committee his personal feelings on abortion, seen as the lone issue that could sidetrack Souter's nomination by President Bush to replace retiring liberal Justice William Brennan.

Under questioning from Sen. Herbert Kohl, D-Wis., Souter said, ''it would be misleading'' to say he even has a concrete opinion on the landmark Roe vs. Wade ruling that guaranteed women the right to an abortion.

Bush Friday praised Souter's performance before the committee, saying he has watched nearly two hours of Souter's testimony the past two days.

''I think it's magnificent,'' Bush told reporters at the White House. ''My admiration for Judge Souter, respect for him, is even higher.''

Bush added, ''A senator has the right to ask any questions he wants. And what I think has been masterful is the way Judge Souter has gone as far as he possibly can, yet has handled it with such intellect. ... I don't think anybody gets the feeling that he is improperly avoiding things.''

Souter, 50, pledged to have an open mind if an abortion challenge comes before the high court and called abortion ''a very complex issue.''

''I do not sit here before you under oath having any commitment in my mind as to what I would do if I were on that court and that case were brought before me,'' Souter told the committee.

''I will listen to both sides of that case,'' he added. ''I have not made up my mind and I will not go on the court saying I must go one way or I must go another way.''

''I think that's a significant statement,'' Kohl replied.

Souter's position on abortion is critical because the Supreme Court stands just a single vote away from reversing the Roe vs. Wade decision.

Souter faced a wide range of questions from committee members, ranging from views on the War Powers Act, televising federal court proceedings, judicial activism on the Supreme Court, privacy rights, school desegregation and school prayer. For a second straight day, the nominee appeared confident and composed in his answers and occasionally joked with his questioners.

At one point, Souter was asked why he wanted the job.

''If I am confirmed in this office, I want to try the best that I can to exercise that responsibility (of the job) to give the Constitution good life in the time its interpretation is entrusted in me and preserve that life for generations that perhaps will be sitting in this room after you and I are long gone,'' Souter said.

Souter said the failure of the executive and legislation branches of the government to resolve divisive social issues, such as abortion, put those issues on the agenda of the Supreme Court.

''The Supreme Court is left to act alone when the political branches do not act beforehand,'' Souter said during questioning by Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa.

Souter cited a ''disturbing tendency,'' due to ''a vacuum of response to the problems that have to be solved'' for the nation to assume ''the only guardians of the Constitution are the judges.''

Asked by Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., whether government has an obligation under the First Amendment to remain neutral toward religion, Souter said, ''I accept that as a personal principle.''

Pressed if he accepted that as ''legal principle,'' Souter said, ''I certainly accept it as the prevailing law of the United States, as it has been during, for practical purposes, my professional legal lifetime, and I do not have, at this time, either an agenda or a personal desire to bring about a re-examination of that position.''

The 14-member Judiciary Committee is examining Souter's nomination before his confirmation goes before the full Senate for approval to join the nation's highest court as an associate justice. Souter also has served in New Hampshire as state attorney general, a trial judge and a member of the state Supreme Court.

Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., expressed concern about Souter's empathy with the nation's minorities or the unfortunate.

''I want you to understand, perhaps, a little more than you do the aches of America,'' Simon told the nominee.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1088.2
Thursday	1092.1
Week ago	1105.0
Month ago	1127.0
Year ago	1095.1
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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DAYTON, OH (SEPT. 14) UPI - Former gynecologist James Burt, who is fighting of dozens of malpractice lawsuits over his ''love surgery'' to rearrange women's genitals, threatened to burn patient files if a hospital did not retrieve them from his office, an administrator testified Friday.

James Makos, president of St. Elizabeth Medical Center, said during a hearing in the first of the lawsuits that he received a call from Burt Feb. 3, 1989, the day a bank foreclosed on the doctor's property.

''He asked me if the hospital would take possession of medical records in his office, that he was flat broke,'' Makos testified in Montgomery Common Pleas Court. ''He said that he could burn them. He said that he would burn those.''

Makos said he agreed to take possession of the documents ''reluctantly. ... Given the tenor of the times in town it was a very risky thing to do.''

The phone call came about three months after CBS aired a damning news program about Burt's so-called love surgery to rearrange women's genitals. The program alleged Burt performed the controversial procedure on many patients without their consent or knowledge.

The current hearing has focused on documents that Burt's lawyer, Earl Moore, says are surfacing in court proceedings against his client.

Previous testimony showed that a former Burt patient, Janet Phillips, claimed to have removed garbage bags filled with papers from Burt's vacated home.

The woman's lawyer, Harvey Wachsman, attempted Friday to show that Burt asked the hospital to remove all patient files from his property, and the hospital complied. He apparently wants to show that any papers left behind were abandoned.

Burt's attorney, Earl Moore, has asked Judge Richard Dodge to rule on whether the papers were obtained illegally, which would make them inadmissible in a civil malpractice trial.

Makos said the hospital agreed to remove Burt's medical files, and paid him about $30 to $50 for each of the roughly 15 cabinets in which they were stored.

The files were picked up by an administrative assistant, who stored them in a locked room at the hospital. ''I never, ever, ever went to the room, the floor or was in any way near those records,'' Makos said.

His statment apparently reflected the fact that the hospital, a co- defendant in many Burt suits, wants to avoid charges of tampering with evidence.

Also testifying Friday was an official of the National Bank of North Carolina in Charlotte, which handled the foreclosure on Burt's house.

Christopher Young said he received no word from Burt after the foreclosure date about wanting to store material at the house.

''Any property that was left on a property we foreclosed on ... was garbage. It would be thrown away,'' Young said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	57 1-2	up	3-4
AT&T Company	30 5-8	up	1-2
BCE Inc	30 5-8	off	1-4
Bell Atlantic	44 3-4	up 1	
BellSouth Corp	51	up	1-2
Exxon Corp	51 3-8	up	5-8
Ford Motor Co	34 5-8	off	1-8
Genl Electric	59 3-8	off 1	
General Motors	37 1-2	off	3-4
GTE Corp	25 5-8	unch	
IBM Corp	104 1-4	off	3-4
Mobil Oil Corp	65 1-2	off	1-8
Nynex Corp	70	up	3-8
Pac Gas & Elec	20 3-4	up	1-8
Pacific Telesis	40 3-4	off	5-8
Phila Electric	14 7-8	off	1-8
Sears Roebuck	28	up	1-4
Southern Co	23 1-2	up	1-8
Sthwestern Bell	48	up	3-8

US West Inc 34 3-4 up 1-4

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2564.11	off	18.56	889.42	off	8.69	199.20	off	0.88
Thursday	2582.67	off	43.07	898.11	off	10.54	200.08	off	1.63
Week ago	2619.55	up	23.06	908.28	up	16.08	200.89	up	2.64
Month ago	2644.80	off	36.64	923.91	off	15.87	201.14	off	1.45
Year ago	2674.58	up	9.69	1439.72	off	3.56	215.54	up	1.76
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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(correcting Fed Fund low)
MONEY RATE

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.02

60 to 89 days 7.87

90 to 119 days 7.75

120 to 149 days 7.74

150 to 179 days 7.69

180 to 270 days 7.62

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.00 - 7.75

Issuers 30 days 7.99

Issuers 90 days 7.67

Issuers 270 days 7.42

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.05

60 to 89 days 8.05

90 to 119 days 8.02

120 to 149 days 8.02

150 to 179 days 8.02

180 days 8.02

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

1 month 8.00 - 8.125

3 month 8.00 - 8.125

6 month 8.00 - 8.125

Year 8.125 - 8.25

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.35 - 7.33

6 months 7.27 - 7.25

Year 7.21 - 7.19

Federal Funds: High 7 15-16, Low 7 3/4, Close 7 3/4

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.823 off 0.017.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90257u1579 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter, in the strongest administration language yet, Friday denounced the farm policy law being written by Congress as a Trojan horse ''with a belly full of malodorous policy cadavers.''

The legislation, which is in its final stage of drafting on Capitol Hill, would undermine the money-making ability of U.S. farmers by pricing them out of the world market and curtailing production, Yeutter said in a speech.

Yeutter listed a dozen areas where the administration wants to see changes. They included dairy prices, crop loan rates, land setaside rules, subsidy rates, sugar supports, a proposed soybean marketing loan and so-called planting flexibility.

In each case, Yeutter said Congress was going down the wrong road or even thwarting the needs of farmers for the sake of maintaining its own power or exercising election-year politics.

''Farmers are not a bunch of country bumpkins and this is one gift horse America's farmers will look in the mouth,'' Yeutter said. ''When they do, they're going to see a Trojan horse in our midst, with a belly full of malodorous policy cadavers left over from the pre-'85 farm bill.''

Despite the harsh tone, the speech contained no threat of a presidential veto, although the list of objectionable policy items was the same as identified earlier this summer. The White House warned in mid-July - just before floor debate in the House and Senate - that a veto was possible unless costs were cut substantially and bad policy ideas deleted.

The House and Senate versions of the farm bill would spend about $54 billion on farm supports over the next five years - roughly the same amount as if there were no change in current law.

White House officials have said several billion dollars will have to be cut as part of the efforts to reduce the deficit. Yeutter said that will entail cutting the so-called target prices that help determine the size of crop

subsidy payments, the number of acres eligible for payments or both. At the moment, Congress would freeze target prices.

Yeutter's remarks were prepared for delivery to The Chicago Farmers, an organization of predominantly well-heeled landowners.

The new farm bill in general would renew the thrust of the 1985 farm policy law which tried to regain the U.S. share of the world market while protecting farm income. The House and Senate versions also would give farmers more freedom to decide which crops to grow - planting flexibility - and create a marketing loan for oilseeds, such as soybeans.

The administration prefers full-fledged planting freedom for farmers and a farm program that gives it authority to adjust loan rates, land setasides. It says that will prevent the government from distorting farm production. Some lawmakers say low support rates will deprive farmers of an income safety net.

Yeutter charged that Congress was proposed a limited form of flexibility because ''political power comes from having those decisions centered in Washington, D.C., and Congress likes power.''

Congressional leaders had no immediate comment on the speech. An aide to Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., dismissed the speech as having little substance.

Meanwhile, seven senators were chosen to serve on the House-Senate committee that will write the final version of the farm bill. They were Leahy, Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas, and Sens. David Pryor, D-Ark., David Boren, D-Okla., Richard Lugar, R-Ind., and Thad Cochran. Lugar is the GOP leader on the Agriculture Committee.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 15 to 90 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	73.10	74.00	73.05	73.20	73.62
Dec	72.03	72.40	71.55	71.59	72.46
Mar	73.35	73.75	73.85	72.95	73.82
May	74.10	74.30	73.50	73.70	74.60
Jly	74.27	74.30	74.00	73.90	74.52
Oct	69.60	69.60	69.60	69.60	69.75
Dec	67.80	67.80	67.75	67.75	67.95

Estimated sales: 3,500 contracts

Open interest: 34,597 up 281

The World spot average: 70.14

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.54	off 0.11
10 Public Utils	90.65	up 0.02
10 Industrials	88.44	off 0.24

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#90257u1599 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
FENTON, NY (SEPT. 14) UPI - The Detroit tavern owner who prosecutors say drove the pickup truck that slid off an icy road, killing baseball great Billy Martin, took the stand Friday at his trial and tearfully told jurors Billy was the driver.

William Reedy also claimed when he and Martin left the restaurant where they were eating on Christmas Day last year, neither of them was drunk.

In response to defense attorney Jon Blechman's questions about whether Reedy had been under the influence of alcohol, Reedy replied, ''No, and Billy Martin wasn't either.''

And Reedy insisted ''Billy Martin was driving and I was the passenger.''

Martin, 61, died from a fractured neck and spinal cord compression in the accident. Reedy, Martin's friend for more than 20 years, suffered a crushed hip and broken ribs and was hospitalized for several weeks.

Reedy is charged with driving with a blood alcohol level of 0.1 percent or more, a misdemeanor, and the traffic infraction of driving while ability is impaired.

Reedy said while driving to Martin's house from a restaurant the two were talking about Martin's mother who had passed away that year.

Reedy said Martin drove past his horse farm and said ''I missed my turn.''

Reedy testified Martin then made a left turn and suddenly felt the truck sliding off the road.

The last thing Reedy heard, he said to jurors, ''sounded something like hang on or hold on, and that was the last thing Billy Martin ever said.''

Reedy said he didn't recall the impact, but said the next thing he remembered was being under the dashboard and reaching to grab the steering wheel and pulling himself toward the driver's seat.

He said he looked over and saw Martin crushed against the passenger door.

At that point Reedy began to choke up and the judge called a brief recess.

On resuming his testimony, Reedy said he leaned over and thought Martin was unconscious and didn't realize he was dead.

''When the police arrived at the scene, did they ask you if you were driving the car?'' Blechman asked.

''I said I was driving the vehicle,'' Reedy said.

''Why did you say that?'' the attorney asked.

''To protect Billy,'' Reedy responded, his voice quivering with emotion.

The trial was recesssed until Monday, when Reedy's attorney is expected call accident reconstruction experts to try to show how Reedy could have been a passenger.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks	-	10,650,000 shares
1990 to date	-	2,486,790,895
Bonds	-	$2,090,000
1990 to date	-	$509,386,000

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks	-	133,390,000 shares
1990 to date	-	28,133,043,372
Warrants	-	573,700
1990 to date	-	177,578,700

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	321.45	off 0.56
High Technology	316.17	off 1.95

Capital Goods	345.25	off 0.94
Consumer Goods	385.01	off 2.42
Service	724.35	off 0.96
Retail	995.99	off 11.00
Financial	373.04	up 0.11
Natural Resources	246.19	up 0.28
Housing-Const-Land	338.09	off 3.51

There was a loss of 2 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS		
New England	411.32	off 2.71
Mid Atlantic	415.94	off 0.55
No Central	429.02	off 6.30
So Atlantic	928.45	off 0.76
So Central	313.54	up 0.78
Mountain	113.61	unchanged
Pacific	373.43	off 1.23
Foreign	241.83	up 0.40

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NEW YORK (UPI) - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Friday.

Stock		$Volume	Close	Chg.
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	57,246,144	75	up 2 3/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	51,996,108	59 3/4	up 2 1/4
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	45,502,092	46 1/4	off 1
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	43,514,828	32 3/8	off 5/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	35,787,516	49	up 1/2
Adobe Systms	(ADBE)	33,811,040	26 7/8	off 1 1/4
Apple Computer	(AAPL)	33,375,780	34	up 1/4
TeleCommun A	(TCIC)	30,127,242	11	up 1/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	22,407,944	32 5/8	up 3/8
Liz Claiborne	(LIZC)	17,396,724	26 1/4	off 1/2

Composite Index 163.89 off 0.80

NMS volume 78,435,400 shares.

Advances	611
Declines	880
Unchanged	1,326
Total	2,817

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 322.06, low 320.53, close 321.45, off 0.56.

There was a loss of 2 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,650,000 shares, compared with 9,720,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	3
New Lows	52
Advances	209
Declines	315
Unchanged	237
Total Issues	761

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	174.15	off 1.01
ASE Market Value Index	321.45	off 0.56
Dow-Jones Industrial	2564.11	off 18.56

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MAYNARD, MA (SEPT. 14) UPI - Digital Equipment Corp.'s stock fell sharply in very heavy trading Friday on growing concerns about the computer maker's earnings prospects.

The stock ended the session on the New York Stock Exchange at $56.375 a share, down $2.875 from Thursday's close, on volume of 1.95 million shares - the most active NYSE issue of the day. Earlier in the session, DEC had been down as much as $4.75 a share, but partly recouped some of its lost ground before the closing bell.

Worries about the company specifically, which recently reported its first-ever quarterly loss, and the world economy generally combined to beat down the price of the stock, analysts said.

Digital, whose stock has traded at just over $100 a share within the past 52 weeks, has been in a tailspin in which it has lost 11 points, or almost 17 percent of its value, in less than two weeks.

Analysts said they are concerned about the possibility of a second successive quarterly loss at Digital, the nation's No. 2 computer maker behind International Business Machines Corp. They are also worried about problems with Digital's roll-out of its major new line of VAX 9000 main frame

computers. Digital spokesmen did not comment.

"Earnings estimates are obviously coming down and the company has been singularly mum" about its expectations, said Shao Wang, an analyst who follows Digital for Smith Barney.

John W. Adams, an analyst at Adams, Harkness and Hill in Boston, said the company's latest voluntary severance program may signal the end of its efforts to cut costs.

"You've had DEC cut its expenses as far as it can, given its philosophy" of no layoffs, Adams said. So, by definition, their costs are fixed unless they change a 35-year-old policy" of not laying off workers. "On the other hand," Adams said, "people see the tide changing on the economy. And that combination is a very leverged one."

While Digital's U.S. sales have been consistently off in recent quarters, itsEuropean business has carried the company. But now, the "shifting tide of business in Europe," where substantial declines in profits are showing up, has analysts worried, Wang said.

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#90257u1654 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 14) UPI - Iraqi soldiers stormed the French, Belgian and Canadian diplomatic buildings in the Kuwaiti capital Friday and briefly detained five diplomats, including the U.S. consul from Baghdad, before releasing all but three French civilians.

Tensions were further heightened Friday when the U.S. Navy frigate USS Brewton and an Australian warship in the Gulf of Oman fired warning shots and sent a joint boarding party aboard an Iraqi oil tanker before allowing it to proceed toward the Persian Gulf, the Pentagon said.

No casualties were reported. It was at least the second boarding of an Iraqi ship and the third firing of warning shots by American forces since the United States on Aug. 17 began enforcing a U.N. trade embargo against Iraq.

President Bush denounced the Iraqi intrusions on the French, Canadian and Belgian diplomatic compounds in Kuwait City as ''outrageous,'' but said there was no immediate plan to escalate military action against Iraq.

''When an escalation is required from me, Saddam Hussein will know it,'' Bush said.

French President Francois Mitterrand, visiting Czechoslovakia, warned, ''The violation by Iraqi troops of the residence of the ambassador of Kuwait is an aggression and we will respond.''

French officials said Iraqi soldiers rounded up a military attache along with the three civilians, who had sought refuge at the ambassador's residence near the main French chancellory in Kuwait. The attache was released several hours later, but the fate of the three civilians was not known.

The Netherlands said Iraqi troops raided its ambassador's residence in Kuwait City two days ago, but indicated no one was taken.

The State Department said the U.S. mission in Kuwait was not raided.

The Iraqi raids on the Western compounds, which have diplomatic immunity under international law, indicated Iraq was taking a new, hard-line approach toward the defiant Western nations refusing orders to leave the occupied emirate, which Iraq invaded Aug. 2 and subsequently annexed, despite intermittent cutoffs in their communications, electricity and water.

The official Iraqi News Agency quoted an Iraqi official as ''emphatically denying reports that Iraqi troops stormed the buildings of former missions in the Kuwait province.'' The official said ''there are strict instructions to Iraqi forces not to enter diplomatic buildings.''

In other developments Friday:

- U.S. officials scheduled a flight out of Baghdad for Friday but have warned it may be the last even though the State Department estimated there are still 1,400 Americans in Kuwait and 200 in Baghdad, including diplomats.

- Japan pledged an extra $3 billion Friday to support international efforts to counter Iraqi aggression, Britain announced it will send 6, 000 more troops and 120 tanks to Saudi Arabia and Secretary of State James Baker met with Syrian President Hafez Assad, Iraq's longtime foe.

- India announced it would send a shipload of food to Iraq to alleviate the suffering of refugees in the region and to ferry back some of the nearly 200,000 Indians stranded there.

The 15-nation U.N. Security Council authorized late Thursday the distribution of food to refugees from Iraq and Kuwait following demands from India, the Phillipines and Sri Lanka, under the supervision of the Red Cross or other international relief organizations.

-The Los Angeles Times reported Iraqi had successfully tested a chemical warheaded loaded on an intermediate-range ballistic missile, adding a deadly new component to the situation.

Citing top U.S. and Arab officials, the newspaper said the test provided the first demonstration that Iraq is capable of mounting a missile-borne poison

gas attack on distant targets, including key U.S. and Saudi military installations and such vital facilities as ports and cities.

- The Greenpeace watchdog group said about 20 U.S., Soviet, British and French ships - all armed with nuclear weapons - are patrolling Middle East waters now with up to 450 nuclear bombs, missiles and depth charges on board.

Spokesmen from the U.S. State Department and Canada's External Affairs Ministry said Iraqi soldiers entered the Canadian ambassador's residence in the Kuwaiti capital at 8 a.m., detaining the Canadian consul from Baghdad, Jean Gauthie, along with the American, Irish and Australian consuls from Baghdad and six Irish nationals.

All had been meeting at the Canadian residence to make arrangements for the departure of Western nationals from Kuwait later Friday.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2572.52	2585.15	2545.54	2564.11	off 18.56
20 Trans	892.01	896.08	881.29	889.42	off 8.69
15 Utils	199.38	200.20	197.43	199.20	off 0.88
65 Stock	895.75	899.94	886.11	893.27	off 6.62

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	17,757,400	13,939,700
Trans	2,380,300	3,247,700
Utils	3,025,800	3,336,900
65 Stock	23,163,500	20,524,300

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.54	off 0.11
10 Public Utils	90.65	up 0.02
10 Industrials	88.44	off 0.24

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 132.29 up 0.14.

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#90257u1669 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Digital Eqpt	2,213,700	56 3/8	off 2 7/8
Wal-Mart Strs	1,985,600	26 3/8	off 1/8
Chem Banking	1,715,200	20 1/4	off 5/8
Genl Electric	1,700,400	59 1/2	off 7/8
Gulf St Utils	1,697,100	9 7/8	up 1/8
Prime Motor Inn	1,677,500	1 3/8	off 3/8
Boeing Co	1,369,100	46 1/8	off 3/4
IBM Corp	1,347,600	104 3/8	off 5/8
Waste Mangment	1,342,000	34 1/4	off 5/8
Philip Morris	1,291,000	44 3/4	off 1/8
AT&T Company	1,283,300	30 3/4	up 5/8
Navistar Intl	1,179,800	2 7/8	up 1/8
Genl Motor	1,142,600	37 1/2	off 3/4
Eastman Kodak	1,128,100	40 1/4	off 1/8
Westinghs El	1,092,500	29 7/8	off 1 5/8

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#90257u1674 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
ENSCO	575,300	3 5/8	up 1/8
Salomon Phibro	372,000	4	up 1/8
Paine W Gr wtB	343,800	8 5/8	up 1/2
Fruit of Loom	343,600	10	off 1/2
Salomon put wt M	301,900	5 3/8	up 3/8
Contl Air	278,700	5	unch
Eksport wt	276,100	8 7/8	up 1/2
Rhone Poulenc	257,100	10 1/2	up 1/8
Salomon wt Jan	248,900	17	up 3/8
Denmark K wt	235,300	17 7/8	up 1/4

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#90257u1678 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (SEPT. 14) UPI - Educators must find a way to get youth-oriented health workers interested in the elderly as the senior population grows faster than any other group, a researcher said Friday.

The Southern Regional Education Board, a research group advising universities, government officials, health care administrators and others, noted in a recent report the 1990 Census probably will find there are 6 million more Americans age 65 or older than there were a decade earlier.

The percentage of elderly people in the population also will increase, from 11.3 percent in 1980 to 12.6 percent in 1990, the report said, meaning the age group is growing 2 1/2 times faster than any other segment of the U.S. population.

Meanwhile, the number of health workers specializing in geriatric issues is not increasing, and has always been less than needed, said David Denton, author of the report and a human resources planner with the SREB.

''I don't think it's anything peculiar to health care workers,'' Denton said. ''People generally don't want to work with the elderly. We're a youth-oriented society, and health workers are no different.''

The problem is twofold, Denton said: how to ensure future generations will find geriatrics' training more attractive, and how to get existing health workers to learn more about the needs of the elderly.

''Most of the elderly are not particularly sick. Most of them don't have any kind of disabling illness at all,'' Denton said, noting that many people imagine working with the elderly means working exclusively with the chronically or mentally ill.

''Ideally, you would change attitudes early on, from kindergarten on up,'' Denton said. He cited day care programs pairing young children with healthy elderly people.

The problem of convincing health care workers already in the field to learn more about geriatric care is more difficult, Denton said.

''You probably can't change their attitudes at this point in time, but you can give them the skill they will need to be dealing with older people,'' Denton said. ''Most (health care) providers do take advantage of continuing education. The idea is to make geriatric continuing education more attractive.''

The SREB focused attention on the 15 states in its self-defined region - Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia - noting the population of the South is aging faster than any other part of the nation.

Florida, the Southern state with the oldest population, will continue to hold the distinction through 2010, the report said. By 1990, Florida's median age will be 37.4, and will increase to 45.3 by 2010.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6225	up 25
Wash Post	233 1/2	off 4 1/2
Det Edison pf	152	off 4 3/8
Utd Tel pfA	62 5/8	off 3 1/4
Pitney Bowes pf	144	off 3
Olin Corp	37 1/8	off 2 7/8
Digital Eqpt	56 3/8	off 2 7/8
Deere & Co	51 1/8	off 2 3/8
LaLand & Explr	51	up 2 3/8
Atl Rch pfC	333 5/8	off 2 3/8
Bausch & Lomb	63 1/8	off 2 1/4

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	242.25	242.40	240.40	240.70	243.65
Dec	244.50	244.60	242.50	242.80	245.80
Mar	....	....	....	245.80	248.80
Jun	....	....	....	248.80	251.80

Previous day volume: 326 contracts.

Open interest: 1,343 up 4

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	316.60	317.20	314.40	316.15	318.55
Dec	320.00	320.60	317.70	319.45	321.90
Mar	322.80	323.10	320.60	322.20	324.80
Jun	326.50	....	324.00	326.00	328.60

Today's estimated volume: 69,730 contracts.

Open interest: 164,406 up 7,046

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	173.75	174.40	173.20	174.10	175.10
Dec	175.20	175.80	174.30	175.40	176.55
Mar	176.55	176.55	176.55	176.85	178.10

Open interest: 7,073 up 558

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	525.70	526.20	521.75	524.15	527.70
Oct	528.50	528.50	524.10	526.30	529.90

Estimated volume 3,717 contracts.
Open interest: 8,036 up 232

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.
Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Thu	Fri	Thu
Argntn austral	.000174	.000171	5742.00	5831.00
Australia dlr	.8252	.8258	1.2118	1.2109
Austria schill	.0908	.0894	11.01	11.18
Belgium franc-c	.0312	.0309	32.08	32.40
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0137	.0146	72.93	68.45
Britain pound	1.8975	1.8765	.5270	.5329
Britain 1-mo	1.8871	1.8662	.5299	.5358
Britain 3-mo	1.8761	1.8550	.5330	.5391
Britain 6-mo	1.8392	1.8189	.5437	.5498
Canada dollar	.8598	.8585	1.1630	1.1648
Canada 1-mo	.8567	.8552	1.1673	1.1693
Canada 3-mo	.8535	.8494	1.1717	1.1773
Canada 6-mo	.8443	.8432	1.1844	1.1860
Chile peso-f	.003352	.003311	298.30	302.00
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001926	.001937	519.25	516.13
Denmark krne	.1675	.1650	5.9690	6.0600
Ecudr sucre-z	.001148	.001140	871.20	877.14
Egypt pound	.3701	.3701	2.7022	2.7022
Finlnd mrkka	.2715	.2690	3.6830	3.7180
France franc	.1906	.1899	5.2455	5.2655
France 1-mo	.1904	.1896	5.2532	5.2733
France 3-mo	.1896	.1893	5.2732	5.2830
France 6-mo	.1885	.1878	5.3045	5.3240
Greece drach	.006700	.006509	149.25	153.63
Hollnd guildr	.5664	.5647	1.7655	1.7710
HongKong dlr	.1288	.1287	7.7647	7.7680
India rupee	.0565	.0565	17.71	17.71
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000539	1854.00	1854.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082

Ireland punt	1.7195	1.7050	0.5816	0.5865
Israel shekel	.4926	.4916	2.0300	2.0340
Italy lira	.000855	.000853	1169.00	1172.50
Japan yen	.007307	.007321	136.85	136.60
Japan 1-mo	.007313	.007330	136.75	136.42
Japan 3-mo	.007334	.007353	136.35	136.00
Japan 6-mo	.007462	.007361	134.01	135.85
Jordan dinar	1.5352	1.5352	.6514	.6514
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000348	.000347	2875.00	2878.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6265	.6258	1.5962	1.5980
Norway krne	.1654	.1633	6.0450	6.1240
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	432,550	432,550
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escud	.007234	.007137	138.23	140.11
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5650	.5622	1.7700	1.7788
S.Africa rand	.3903	.3881	2.5620	2.5767
S.Korea won	.001446	.001446	691.57	691.57
Spain peseta	.010194	.010106	98.10	98.95
Sweden krona	.1745	.1733	5.7300	5.7700
Switzrl franc	.7752	.7622	1.2900	1.3120
Switzrl 1-mo	.7754	.7623	1.2896	1.3119
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7753	.7621	1.2899	1.3122
Switzrl 6-mo	.7751	.7606	1.2902	1.3147
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.90	26.91
Turkey lira	.000370	.000372	2700.00	2691.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0208	.0208	48.02	48.02
W.Ger Mark	.6386	.6361	1.5660	1.5720
W.Ger 1-mo	.6385	.6361	1.5661	1.5722
W.Ger 3-mo	.6384	.6358	1.5664	1.5727
W.Ger 6-mo	.6381	.6341	1.5671	1.5770
Yugosl dinar	.0929	.0917	10.76	10.90

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended September 14, 1990.

Stock	Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Microsoft Cp	218,803,392	60 1/4	54 1/2	59 3/4	up 2 1/4
Nike Inc B	215,083,664	75 1/2	67	75	up 2 3/8
Conner Prphrls	160,582,224	23 7/8	20 1/8	20 5/8	unch
Amgen	153,736,256	49 1/2	45 1/2	49	up 1/2
Intel Corp	149,444,464	33 1/2	31 1/2	32 5/8	up 3/8
Apple Computer	146,000,976	37	33	34	up 1/4
Reuters Hldg	145,293,840	49 7/8	46 1/8	46 1/4	off 1
MCI Commun	127,281,528	34 5/8	32 1/8	32 3/8	off 5/8
TeleCommun A	81,797,760	11 1/2	10 3/4	11	up 1/8
Sun Microsystm	79,191,272	30 1/8	27 3/8	28 3/8	unch

NMS volume 484,822,200 shares.

Advances	739
Declines	1,292
Unchanged	778
Total	2,809

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	374.42	off	1.76	380.38	467.57
Industrial	400.97	off	1.17	406.28	453.62
Finance	372.45	off	2.96	381.24	556.50
Insurance	435.29	off	4.84	446.70	530.82
Utility	501.37	off	2.93	509.87	735.42
Bank	275.03	off	0.86	282.18	489.40
Transport	412.42	off	3.04	413.97	464.47

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 163.89 off 0.80

Industrial Index 158.29 off 0.49

NASDAQ-100 Index 379.04 off 0.40

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#90257u1724 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended September 14, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.

AT&T Company	7,684,600	31 3/4	29 7/8	30 3/4	off 3/8
Tandem Cmptr	7,544,900	14	11 1/8	11 3/4	off 1 3/4
Wal-Mart Strs	7,511,500	28 1/2	25 3/4	26 3/8	off 1 5/8
Toys 'R Us	7,221,900	24 5/8	21 7/8	22 5/8	off 1/2
IBM Corp	6,665,100	108 3/8	103 5/8	104 3/8	off 1 1/8
PepsiCo Inc	6,287,100	25 3/4	24 1/4	24 3/4	off 1/2
Philip Morris	6,195,200	45 3/4	44 3/8	44 3/4	off 1/2
Genl Electric	5,926,700	62 3/8	59 1/8	59 1/2	off 1 1/8
Alcan Aluminum	5,480,800	22 1/4	21 1/4	21 3/8	unch
Waste Mangment	5,435,700	38 1/4	33 7/8	34 1/4	off 3 3/8
Digital Eqpt	5,124,900	66	54 3/8	56 3/8	off 8 7/8
Exxon Corp	5,018,900	51 5/8	50 3/8	51 3/8	up 1/2
Pac Gas & El	5,002,200	21 5/8	20 1/2	20 3/4	off 5/8
Citicorp	4,830,800	19	17	17 1/4	off 1 3/8
Boeing Co	4,812,700	49	45 1/4	46 1/8	off 7/8
Coroon & Black	4,737,100	38 1/8	30 7/8	36 1/8	up 5 1/4
Eastman Kodak	4,530,300	41 5/8	40 1/4	40 1/4	off 1/4
Fedl Natl Mtge	4,525,000	30 1/4	28 1/8	29 3/8	up 1/2
Gulf St Util	4,407,900	11 1/2	9 1/2	9 7/8	off 1 5/8
Prime Motor	4,345,000	3 3/8	1	1 3/8	off 2

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - The 10 most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended September 14, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Salomon wt Jan	1,919,600	17 1/4	15 5/8	17	unch
ENSCO	1,815,400	3 7/8	3 3/8	3 5/8	off 1/8
Paine W Gr wtB	1,602,200	8 5/8	7 3/8	8 5/8	up 1/2
Denmark K wt	1,407,600	18 1/4	16 7/8	17 7/8	unch
Salomon Phibro	1,147,900	4 1/8	3 5/8	4	unch
Hillhaven	1,119,800	1 5/8	1 3/8	1 1/2	unch
Echo Bay Mines	1,099,900	13 1/8	11 7/8	12 7/8	off 1/4
Salomon wt Feb	1,097,900	18 3/8	16 3/4	18 1/4	up 1/4
Corona Corp A	1,068,200	5 1/2	5 1/4	5 1/2	unch
Contl Air	1,051,900	5 1/4	4 3/4	5	up 1/8

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter, in the strongest language by a member of the Bush Administration yet, Friday denounced the farm policy law being written by Congress as a Trojan horse "with a belly full of malodorous policy cadavers."

The legislation, in its final stage of drafting on Capitol Hill, would

undermine the money-making ability of U.S. farmers by pricing them out of the world market and curtailing production, Yeutter said in a speech.

Yeutter listed a dozen areas where the administration wants to see changes. They included dairy prices, crop loan rates, land setaside rules, subsidy rates, sugar supports, a proposed soybean marketing loan and so-called planting flexibility.

In each case, Yeutter said Congress was going down the wrong road or even thwarting the needs of farmers for the sake of maintaining its own power or exercising election-year politics.

''Farmers are not a bunch of country bumpkins and this is one gift horse America's farmers will look in the mouth,'' Yeutter said. ''When they do, they're going to see a Trojan horse in our midst, with a belly full of malodorous policy cadavers left over from the pre-'85 farm bill.''

Despite the harsh tone, the speech contained no threat of a presidential veto, although the list of objectionable policy items was the same as identified earlier this summer. The White House warned in mid-July - just before floor debate in the House and Senate - that a veto was possible unless costs were cut substantially and bad policy ideas deleted.

The House and Senate versions of the farm bill would spend about $54 billion on farm supports over the next five years - roughly the same amount as if there were no change in current law.

White House officials have said several billion dollars will have to be cut as part of the efforts to reduce the deficit. Yeutter said that will entail cutting the so-called target prices that help determine the size of crop subsidy payments, the number of acres eligible for payments or both. At the moment, Congress would freeze target prices.

Yeutter's remarks were prepared for delivery to The Chicago Farmers, an organization of predominantly well-heeled landowners.

The new farm bill in general would renew the thrust of the 1985 farm policy law which tried to regain the U.S. share of the world market while protecting farm income. The House and Senate versions also would give farmers more freedom to decide which crops to grow - planting flexibility - and create a marketing loan for oilseeds, such as soybeans.

The administration prefers full-fledged planting freedom for farmers and a farm program that gives it authority to adjust loan rates, land setasides. It says that will prevent the government from distorting farm production. Some lawmakers say low support rates will deprive farmers of an income safety net.

Yeutter charged that Congress was proposed a limited form of flexibility

because ''political power comes from having those decisions centered in Washington, D.C., and Congress likes power.''

Congressional leaders had no immediate comment on the speech. An aide to Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., dismissed the speech as having little substance.

Meanwhile, seven senators were chosen to serve on the House-Senate committee that will write the final version of the farm bill. They were Leahy, Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas, and Sens. David Pryor, D-Ark., David Boren, D-Okla., Richard Lugar, R-Ind., and Thad Cochran. Lugar is the GOP leader on the Agriculture Committee.

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#90257u1753 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended September 14:

High	Low	Last	Net change
324.59	320.53	321.45	off 2.32

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#90257u1755 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending September 14:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	381.96	374.60	374.60	off 8.05
20 Trans	231.01	224.70	224.70	off 9.42
40 Utils	129.87	128.65	129.90	up 0.22
40 Fncl	23.92	22.93	22.93	off 1.10
500 Stock	322.54	316.83	316.83	off 6.57

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#90257u1757 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending September 14.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	89.54	89.65	89.49	89.54	up 0.04
10 Utils	90.58	90.65	90.53	90.65	up 0.34
10 Indus	88.50	88.68	88.44	88.44	off 0.26

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#90257u1761 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended September 14.

	30 Indus			20 Transp			15 Utils		
Monday	2615.59	off	3.96	908.10	off	0.18	200.45	off	0.44
Tuesday	2612.62	off	2.97	909.58	up	1.48	200.26	off	0.19
Wednesday	2625.74	up	13.12	908.65	off	0.93	201.71	up	1.45
Thursday	2582.67	off	43.07	898.11	off	10.54	200.08	off	1.63
Friday	2564.11	off	18.56	889.42	off	8.69	199.20	off	0.88
Net Change		off	55.44		off	18.86		off	1.69

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#90257u1766 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 14) UPI - Largest net changes amoung NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended September 14, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6225	off 150
CapCiti/ABC	471	off 19 1/2
Vornado Inc	109	up 12 7/8
Waas Post	233 1/2	off 10 3/4
Digital Eq	56 3/8	off 8 7/8
Walt Disney	94 5/8	off 7 1/4
Tenneco Inc	52 1/8	off 6 3/4
Nucor Corp	60 7/8	off 6 1/8
Brown Ferris	31 1/8	off 5 7/8
Nacco Chemical	39 3/8	off 5 3/4
CNA Financial	59 3/4	off 5 1/2
Coroon & Black	36 1/8	up 5 1/4
Transcntl Rlty	7 1/8	up 5 1/8
Deere & Co	51 1/8	off 5 1/8
Imperial Chem	62 1/8	off 4 7/8

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#90257u1773 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		

($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	27.60-27.65	26.45-26.50
North Sea Brent	33.40-33.45	31.00-31.10
West Texas Intermed	31.75-31.85	31.05-31.10
Light Louisiana Sweet	33.65-33.75	33.00-33.10
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	93.85-94.10	101.10-101.60
No. 2 Heating oil	80.30-80.55	81.15-81.65
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	89.60-89.85	94.35-94.60
No. 2 Heating oil	79.80-79.95	80.65-80.85

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#90257u1779 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended September 14:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	178.88	173.50	174.15	off 3.36
Industrial	224.14	217.26	218.06	off 4.42
Transportation	142.37	136.60	137.26	off 3.40
Utilities	83.85	82.54	82.96	off 0.32
Finance	125.74	120.30	120.65	off 4.08

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#90257u1780 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 14) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	10	11	11
New lows	167	92	69

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	428	28,397,500
Declines	1,027	84,598,500
Unchanged	478	20,394,000
Total	1,933	133,390,000

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#90257u1783 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 14) UPI - Largest net changes amoung AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended September 14, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Maxxam Inc	62 3/4	up 5 7/8
Americus IBM ut	106	up 5
Ford Canada	124 1/2	off 4 1/2
Fitchburg G&E	32	up 3
Pac Elec pf	45 1/8	off 2 5/8
Americus HWP pf	31 1/2	off 2 1/2
Sanifill Inc	27 3/8	up 2 3/8
Polaris Indus	29	off 2 3/8

Minn Power pfA	52 1/2	off 2 1/4
Forest Labs A	44 1/4	up 2 1/4

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#90257u1790 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Stock exchange sales for the week ended September 14.

New York Stock Exchange: Stocks - 619,643,450 shares, compared with 463,003,660 a week earlier and with 827,748,430 the year before. Warrants - 2,992,800 compared with 2,938,200 a week earlier and with 3, 855,800 the year before. Bonds - $171,387,000 compared with $130,186,000 a week earlier and with $212,777,000 the year before.

American Stock Exchange: Stocks - 49,341,850 shares, compared with 40,071,885 a week earlier and with 64,850,340 the year before. Bonds - $13,272,000 compared with $10,465,000 a week earlier and with $10,490, 000 the year before.

Midwest Stock Exchange: Stocks - 36,879,000 shares, compared with 27, 982,000 a week earlier and with 56,230,000 the year before.

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#90257u1791 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended September 14 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	119,728,550	Holiday	573,700	Holiday
Tuesday	113,254,590	92,945,850	461,700	443,600
Wednesday	129,895,540	120,632,680	682,300	792,700
Thursday	123,396,060	125,662,850	701,400	106,800
Friday	133,368,710	123,802,280	573,700	640,100
Total	619,643,450	463,003,660	2,992,800	2,938,200

Bonds

	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 45,470,000	$ Holiday
Tuesday	$ 27,328,000	$ 20,082,000
Wednesday	$ 32,211,000	$ 40,318,000
Thursday	$ 31,758,000	$ 37,781,000
Friday	$ 34,683,000	$ 32,005,000
Total	$171,387,000	$130,186,000

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#90257u1798 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	174.16	173.50	174.15	off 1.01
Industrial	218.14	217.26	218.06	off 1.37
Transport	137.57	136.60	137.26	off 1.51
Utility	82.96	82.54	82.96	up 0.06
Finance	121.14	120.30	120.65	off 1.29

Equivalent to a loss of 18 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 133,390,000 shares.

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#90257u1799 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (SEPT. 14) UPI - The government released another set of discouraging statistics about the state of the Soviet economy Friday as top economic officials continued arguing about their rival reform plans.

The state statistics committee announced that in the first six months of this year strikes and absenteeism cost the economy 10 million man- days, the equivalent of 75,000 people not showing up for work every day.

Unauthorized absences resulted in a production shortfall equivalent to $1.7 billion, the committee said.

That figure is in addition to authorized absences of an average of 400,000 workers a day under official programs like the one that sent factory workers to help with the harvest. That figure is down from 700, 000 authorized absences a day three years ago.

Government officials blamed most of the unauthorized absenteeism on strikes and ethnic conflicts, but Soviet workers often must take time from work to stand in lines for scarce food and consumer goods and sometimes simply don't show up to work.

The figures on economic damage from absenteeism were released the day after the statistics committee announced that industrial output had continued to decline in August, falling 1.7 percent for the month.

Although nearly every Soviet and local official in the country has called for

urgent measures to reform the economy and deal with the current crisis, reform continued to be bogged down in debates between rival officials.

Deputy Premier Leonid Abalkin, an economist instrumental in Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov's cautious proposal for a ''transition to a regulated market economy'' that would retain much central control, told a joint committee meeting of Parliament Friday he would probably resign if a more radical rival plan for a market economy is approved.

According to a report by the independent Interfax news agency, Abalkin told the committee if a plan developed by economist Stanislav Shatalin is approved by the Supreme Soviet ''new structures of power should be set up'' to be responsible for implementing it.

''I am not ready for this, since I do not believe this program will be able to reach the goals proclaimed in it,'' Abalkin said.

Shatalin led a commission set up by President Mikhail Gorbachev and Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin that proposed a 500-day reform plan that includes radical privatization and decentralization.

Another top Soviet economist, Abel Aganbegyan, joined Shatalin in defending the more radical plan at the meeting of Parliament committees Friday.

Aganbegyan, who headed a commission to ''combine'' the Shatalin and Ryzhkov proposals into one plan to be presented to Parliament, acknowledged that the draft program he submitted was very similar to the Shatalin plan.

Gorbachev has said only one plan should be submitted to Parliament, but he reportedly sent three proposals - the government's, Shatalin's and the combination - to the 15 Soviet republics for consideration.

The Russian Parliament chaired by Yeltsin has already approved the Shatalin plan. It is still unclear when a plan will be officially submitted to the national Parliament and what the proposal will contain.

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#90257u1801 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Friday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	103,494,100
Advances	739
Declines	1,072
Unchanged	2,441
Total	4,252

#90257u1804 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
ROME (SEPT. 14) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker, fresh from a visit to Syria where he and Syrian President Hafez Assad were united in their condemnation of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, said Friday the Persian Gulf crisis could forge ''a new world order.''

''This is the first real crisis of the post-cold war period,'' Baker told an airport news conference. ''We have an opportunity to shape a new world order. The international community must act together and resist and reverse this example of unprovoked aggression.

Baker spoke to reporters at Rome's Ciampino military airport after a round of talks with Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis in the airport VIP lounge that launched his 18-hour visit to Rome.

In an encouraging gesture shortly before Baker flew into Rome, Italian Defense Minister Virginio Rognoni announced that Italy is sending eight Tornado warplanes and another navy ship to the Persian Gulf in addition to two navy frigates and a supply ship in the region.

Commenting on reports that Iraqi troops had stormed the Canadian, French, Belgian and possibly other diplomatic missions in Kuwait, Baker said: ''This is another example of the inhuman and indecent behavior Iraq has been engaging in during this crisis. It is simply outrageous to be violating the norms of international behavior.''

Baker flew into Rome from Damascus where he had nearly five hours of talks with Assad during which he said the two countries were still at odds over terrorism, but united in their condemnation of Iraq.

While in Damascus, Baker told a joint news conference with Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk Sharaa' that Syria had promised to considerably increase the number of troops serving in a U.S.-led multinational military force in the Persian Gulf.

Syria, Egypt and Morocco are the only Arab state to have sent troops to join the multinational force, which has primarily been deployed in Saudi Arabia to guard against Iraqi troops massed at the Kuwaiti border.

Damascus, which has 3,000 troops in the force, did not say how many more it was willing to send to the region. Sharaa' said the number would be determined according to Saudi needs.

The talks with Assad indicated a thaw in relations between the United States and Syria, which has long been on the U.S. list of states that support terrorism.

''My trip showed the isolation of Saddam Hussein,'' Baker said of his visit to Syria. ''U.S.-Syrian relations have not been good. There are still problems, there is no secret of that.

''We have problems with their support of terrorism,'' he said. ''But we do share a common goal - to resist the unprovoked aggression of Iraq, to see it reversed and see the restitution of the legitimate government of Kuwait.''

Baker is on a whirlwind tour of Europe and the Middle East to drum up support for U.S. military and political action in support of the U.N. embargo against Iraq to try to force its withdrawal from Kuwait. He will fly to Bonn, West Germany, Saturday.

At the joint news conference in Damascus, Baker said he and Assad discussed many issues pertaining to the Middle East - including terrorism - but had agreed that the gulf crisis was a separate issue that should not be linked to other problems in the region.

Baker conceded the United States and Syria were at odds over many of the issues he and Assad discussed, but praised Syria for the tough stand it had taken against Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. The two Arab states are longtime foes, ruled by rival wings of the Baath socialist party.

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#90257u1805 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

FORT ORD, Calif. (SEPT. 14) UPI - Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney toured the Fort Ord Army base Friday and defended the firing of warning shots by U.S. vessels at an Iraqi oil tanker in the Gulf of Oman.

The U.S. Navy frigate USS Brewton and an Australian warship in the Gulf of Oman fired warning shots and sent a joint boarding party aboard an Iraqi oil tanker before allowing it to proceed toward the Persian Gulf, the Pentagon said.

''Well, it's sort of our ongoing effort to enforce U.N. sanctions,'' said Cheney. ''Our folks are authorized to fire warning shots and if necessary to stop and board Iraqi ships.''

No casualties were reported. It was at least the second boarding of an Iraqi ship and the third firing of warning shots by American forces since the United States on Aug. 17 began enforcing a U.N. trade embargo against Iraq.

Cheney talked to reporters enroute to San Francisco, where he was to speak to the Bay Area Council later Friday night.

Cheney also said there were no immediate plans to send Fort Ord troops to Saudi Arabia and that any such deployment decision would be made by the Joint

Chiefs of Staff or commanders in the field. He said the soldiers themselves were in good spirits.

''I haven't found it necessary to give any of our soldiers a pep talk,'' Cheney said. ''They are dedicated, professional, and ready to do whatever is asked of them.''

Cheney sidestepped questions on whether the Fort Ord base would be closed, but he said defense budget cuts made it necessary for a ''balanced and strategic'' scaling down of the military infrastructure.

''Some bases will have to be closed and that's the process we're involved in now,'' said Cheney. ''No final decision's been made on Fort Ord.''

In a week or so, said Cheney, an announcement will be made on U.S. base closings in Europe.

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#90257u1817 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 14) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.93	8.03	9.02
91-day Treasury bills	7.61	7.59	8.09
182-day Treasury bills	7.64	7.64	7.54
1-year Treasury bills	7.72	7.68	7.45
3-year Treasury notes	8.24	8.17	8.04
7-year Treasury notes	8.75	8.70	8.08
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	9.02	8.96	8.09
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.37	9.30	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.03	9.97	9.07
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.20	9.18	9.10
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.50	9.44	9.07
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.52	9.47	9.28
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.51	9.45	9.26

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90257u1824 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

CLEVELAND (SEPT. 14) UPI - A reporter for USA Today filed suit against the Cleveland Browns Friday over a series of disputes with players last season, including being pelted with equipment and threatened.

In the suit, Ken Myers, a freelance writer for several publications, named the team, owner Art Modell, public relations director Kevin Byrne and six current and former players - Andrew Stewart, Ted Banker, Eddie Johnson, Frank Minnifield, Lawyer Tillman and Hanford Dixon. It also said other unidentified players were involved.

He accused the Browns of defamation of character, civil assault and battery, interference with a business relationship and conspiring to interfere with a business relationship.

The dispute began with the publication on July 16, 1989, of a story in which an alleged prostitute claimed to have had relationships with Dixon and quarterback Bernie Kosar. The story, written by Myers, appeared in the Akron Beacon Journal.

Myers covered the Browns for USA Today between 1984 and 1990, contributing both game stories and weekday pieces.

Beginning in September, the suit said, there were three occasions when Byrne told Myers at weekday practices that Kosar would refuse to hold a news conference unless Myers left.

The first time that happened, Myers did leave, but he said he stayed on the other two occasions and Kosar held his news conferences regardless.

On Dec. 29, 1989, Myers was pelted with pieces of tape and equipment in the locker room, forcing him to leave. The same thing occurred Jan. 11.

Myers said Byrne was present during the first incident and did nothing to stop what was happening and, further, failed to prevent the second incident.

Byrne issued a statement after the first incident, saying the players were told it was contrary to club policy to abuse reporters.

On Jan. 16, Byrne was quoted as saying: ''In many people's estimation in our organization, what Ken Myers represents in the dirtiest, the yellowest and the ugliest side of journalism.''

Myers said he regretted having to file the suit, but said the club has never taken the incidents seriously.

''If the Cleveland Browns organization can prevent 11,000 fans in the 'Dawg Pound' from hurling dog biscuits and other objects at opposing players, they

certainly could have prevented their own players ... from hurling objects at me and threatening me with bodily harm,'' he said.

''The fact that the Browns did not prevent these incidents, especially the second one, and followed the incidents with a defamatory statement in the newspaper, indicates they didn't want to prevent the incidents - and that's why I'm filing this lawsuit.''

Byrne said neither he or club lawyers had seen the lawsuit and thus would have no comment.

''We did know it was coming, because it was threatened for a little while,'' Byrne said.

Byrne, however, did say he stood by his Jan. 16 quote about Myers.

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#90257u1850 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

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Angry Republican senators today accused Democrats of trying to score political points by what they charge is ''cowardly'' leaking of details of the bi-partisan budget-reduction negotiations. The Republicans have been stung by charges of favoring the rich.

Deadline pressures grip the nation's oldest continuously published newspaper, the New York Post. Editors are preparing two editions for tomorrow... one reporting their survival and another their demise. Three of nine unions have agreed to concessions with an 8 p-m, E-D-T, deadline.

Police say NO one was reported injured when a tornado hit the Detroit suburb of Novi this afternoon. Windows were blown out in several buildings, including the police headquarters and the City Administration building.

Supreme Court nominee David Souter told a Senate panel he has NOT made up his mind about how to rule on a challenge to the 1973 legalizing abortion. Souter is the president's choice to replace retiring Justice William Brennan.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - A federal study has found no conclusive evidence of increased cancer risk among people living near nuclear power plants or weapons facilities, the Health and Human Services Department said Friday.

The two-year National Cancer Institute study reached that finding in comparing cancer death rates in 107 U.S. counties either containing or near nuclear plants to 292 similar counties without such facilities.

Authors of the study said counties near nuclear facilities had no higher death rates from 16 types of cancer - including leukemia - than the counties with less exposure to any possible radioactive pollution.

In addition, they said in studying 900,000 cancer deaths in the 107 target counties from 1950 to 1984, they found no increase in cancer death rates since

the plants went into operation. That conclusion was based on comparing cancer death rates in the years before and after a plant went into operation.

''From the data at hand, there was no convincing evidence of any increased risk of death from any of the cancers we surveyed due to living near nuclear facilities,'' said John Boice, chief of National Cancer Insitute's Radiation Epidemiology Branch, one of four authors of the study.

The Health and Human Services Department released only summarized findings from the report. Officials said the full study would be released Wednesday.

The 107 counties covered in the study included 52 commercial nuclear power plants, nine Energy Department nuclear weapons production facilities and one commercial fuel reprocessing plant.

Those counties were in Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia, Vermont, Washington, Wisconsin, West Virginia.

The National Cancer Institute study follows revelations of massive radioactive releases from numerous federal nuclear weapons plants, several of which are the subject of similar health effects studies.

A recently released report commissioned by the Energy Department found there were significant health effects from radioactive pollution discharged by the Hanford plant, a nuclear weapons production facility that has been operating in eastern Washington since the 1940s.

Authors of the National Cancer Institute study cautioned their findings did not definitively rule out health effects from radiation released from the nuclear facilities in the 107 counties.

In particular, they said the county-by-county approach of the study may have been too broad to detect health effects that might be limited to smaller areas closest to nuclear facilities.

''No study can prove the absence of an effect,'' Boice said. ''But if any excess cancer risk due to radiation pollution is present in counties with nuclear facilities, the risk is too small to be detected by the methods used.''

Another uncertainty involves the long latency period of cancer - the period between exposure to a cancer-causing substance and the time cancer appears. Because latency periods can last 10 years or longer, some cancers might not have become evident yet near facilities that have begun operations recently.

The study's authors also said that, in comparison to the ''non- nuclear'' counties, the counties near nuclear plants had higher death rates for certain types of cancer and lower death rates for other types. The variations occurred both before and after startup of nuclear facilities.

The researchers said those differences could not be linked to the presence of nuclear facilities and that no patterns were apparent. At the same time, officials acknowledged the study did not attempt to determine whether elevated rates for some types of cancers might be related to documented releases of certain radioactive substances, particularly at the weapons plants.

National Cancer Institute officials said their study was begun in 1987 in response to American public health concerns about radioactive emissions from nuclear facilities.

It also was prompted by a British study that found an excess of childhood leukemia deaths near some nuclear facilities in that country. No increases in total cancer deaths were found in the British study.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Researchers in Baltimore today said white males who have high blood pressure appear to produce more sweat than hypertensive white females and black males and females... information that could help develop better anti-hypertension treatments.

The English Central Statistical Office in London says the British inflation rate soared to 10-point-six percent in August... hitting double digits for the first time since February 1982.

Cambodian officials say the election of resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk as council chairman will top the agenda for the first session of the joint Cambodian council next week.

President Bush tapped University of Chicago scientist Walter Massey to head the National Science Foundation... an independent federal agency that awards research grants. Massey's appointment must be approved by the Senate.

An UNemployed poker dealer who won Colorado's largest Lotto jackpot was ordered to federal court on charges of trying to bribe an I-R-S officer into lifting a 100-thousand dollar tax lien. Fred Michael Junior won 11-Million dollars August 11th.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Sept 14, 1990	39	405	599	1259	287	2145
Sept 7, 1990	38	308	909	896	326	2131
Sept 15, 1989	139	77	567	1320	272	2159
Sept 16, 1988	68	54	1096	761	297	2154

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 444.96, off 0.58 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 14) UPI - Greyhound Lines Inc., in Chapter 11 bankruptcy, said Friday its striking drivers forfeited their right to have back-pay claim treated equally with other creditors because of their union's alleged campaign of violence.

The nation's largest bus transportation company, whose bankruptcy proceedings are being heard in Brownsville, Texas, filed a lawsuit on the back-pay question in the court's Corpus Christi office.

In it, the company alleged the Amalgamated Council of Greyhound Local Unions, its officers and members intentionally used violence to acquire the company at less then fair market price or to drive it into bankruptcy.

Greyhound filed for bankruptcy June 4, three months after a walkout by some 6,300 drivers. The drivers struck when negotiations broke down over a new contract.

''As a practical effect, if our suit is successful it will be unlikely that any union member will recover any back pay,'' said George Hanthorn, the company's general counsel.

In the suit, Greyhound claimed the goal of the union was to win increased pay and other benefits for union members at the expense of other creditors.

''Therefore, any allowed portion of the back pay claim should be subordinated to the claims of all unsecured creditors in this case,'' the company said.

Hanthorn said under established legal principle, people should not profit from unlawful conduct.

Greyhound wants get some kind of value placed on any potential claim arising from back pay, so it can proceed with its plan of reorganziation. In earlier announcements, the company said it wants to file its plan by late October or early November and get it confirmed by the court by the end of summer of next year.

That strategy would be contingent upon how the National Labor Relations Board settles an unfair labor practice charge it has filed against the company. A hearing on that before an administrative law jduge was scheduled to beging in Milwaukee next Monday but has since been postponed to late November.

If Greyhound loses the NLRB case, it could be forced to rehire the striking workers and pay them tens of millions of dollars in back pay. Some estimates put the back-pay figures into the hundreds of millions of dolars. The union may seek to win creditor support for rehiring the drivers in return for dropping the NLRB case and further complicate Greyhound's reorganization effort.

To counter that possibility, the company said based on NLRB's methodolgy, the back-pay can only be a maximum of $8 million. Even that may not be applicable since the company now has fewer jobs this year than last year.

In the event it loses the NLRB case, Greyhound said it can appeal the ruling which can tie up the case for several years.

''The NLRB case will take at least three years,'' Hanthorn said. ''To get out of Chapter 11, we must put a value on the union's claims and determine its standing among all claims.''

In its lawsuit, Greyhound said if the rights of the strikers are subordinated, it will prevent each of them from collecting any back pay that may emerge from the NLRB action.

''Even those strikers who have not themselves participated directly in the violence have kept silent and have done nothing, so that they could enjoy the inequitable benefits sought by the union,'' the lawsuit charged.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.22	9.89
Anchor Fund Inv	14.40	15.28
Delaware Mutual	16.79	18.01

Fidelity Fund	16.50	16.50
Investors Mutual	10.81	11.37
Investors Stocks	18.02	18.97
Investors Select	8.25	8.68
IDS Equity Plus	8.88	9.35
Mass Inv Growth	8.15	8.79
Nicholas Fund	3.29	3.29
United Accumulated	6.28	6.86
United Income	16.80	18.36
Vanguard Wellington	15.92	15.92

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Stocks closed broadly lower Friday in light trading, dragged down by some bad economic news, events in the Persian Gulf and the resulting rise in oil prices.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which sank 43.07 Thursday, fell 18.56 to close at 2564.11.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index lost 1.01 to 174.15 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index eased 1.82 to 316.83. The price of an average share dropped 18 cents.

Declines pummeled advances 1,005-452 among the 1,936 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 133,390,000 shares. On Thursday, 123,370,000 shares traded.

Investors got their first look at how badly the Mideast crisis affected the U.S. economy last month in the spate of government reports released before the opening.

Wholesale prices jumped 1.3 percent - led by staggering hikes in energy costs. Combined with skidding retail sales, which slipped 0.6 percent in August against expectations of a 0.1 percent drop, economists painted a grim picture of what the months ahead hold for the economy. They said the news represented the worst of all worlds - higher inflation and weakening demand.

''Even though the producer price data came in on target, there was still concern about it,'' said Alan Ackerman, senior vice president at Gruntal & Co.

A slight escalation of tensions in the Mideast also made investors jittery and sent oil prices higher. October crude oil closed up 69 cents to $31.76.

The jump was blamed on news that Iraqi troops stormed the Belgian, Canadian and French diplomatic buildings in the Kuwaiti capital Friday and detained several diplomats, including the American consul from Baghdad, before

releasing all but three French civilians.

The U.S. State Department's Kuwaiti Task Force said it had been in contact with the U.S. mission in Kuwait and said unconfirmed ''reports it had been overrun by Iraqi troops are not true.''

Also Friday, a U.S. warship in the Gulf of Oman fired a warning shot and boarded an Iraqi-flagged oil tanker heading toward Iranian waters. The officials said the tanker stopped and an armed U.S. boarding party went aboard the ship.

Details were sketchy and it was not immediately clear what the United States planned to do with the tanker.

Analysts added that another factor which is starting to weigh on investors' minds is the health of the banking system.

''There's been a lot of discussion that problems in the banking system may be moving beyond thrifts and leveraged buyout firms like Drexel to the commercial banking sector,'' said Hugh Johnson, chief economist at First Albany Corp.

''It seems like (Federal Reserve Chairman Alan) Greenspan and (Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. Chairman L. William) Seidman believe it, that the asset quality problems thrifts have may be extending to commercial banks, particularly involving real estate loans.''

On the trading floor, Digital Equipment was the most active issue, tumbling 2 7/8 to 56 3/8 as the week's sell-off gained momentum, with the stock hitting its lowest levels in about five years. Disappointing company presentations and cuts in analysts' earnings estimates this week fueled the plunge.

Wal-Mart followed, off 1/8 to 26 3/8. Chemical Banking was third, down 5/8 to 20 1/4 amid talk that it may be about to close its Swiss operations. It has declined comment.

Also active was Prime Motor Inns, which tumbled 3/8 to 1 3/8 after saying it asked its bank lenders to restructure its debt and adding it could file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection if an agreement can't be reached.

Among the blue chips, AT&T rose 5/8 to 30 3/4, IBM fell 5/8 to 104 3/8, General Electric fell 7/8 to 59 1/2 in active trading, Procter & Gamble lost 1 1/4 to 75 1/8, General Motors dropped 3/4 to 37 1/2 as tonight's deadline for an agreement with the United Auto Workers neared, and Westinghouse tumbled 1 5/8 to 29 7/8 after PaineWebber was said to have cut its investment rating and earnings estimate on the stock.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 159,691,040 shares, compared with

148,040,300 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices were lower in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index fell 0.56 to 321.45. Declines led advances 314-214 among the 767 issues traded. The price of an average share lost 2 cents. Composite volume totaled 12,331,670 shares, compared with 11,700,900 traded Thursday.

Energy Service led the Amex issues, up 1/8 to 3 5/8 after reportedly agreeing with another company to sell 33 oil drilling rigs to Diamond M Holding.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index lost 1.77 to 374.41.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 14) UPI - Prosecutors plan to enlist the help of French officials in Tahiti to subpoena Marlon Brando's daughter to testify about the slaying of her boyfriend by her half-brother, the District Attorney's Office said Friday.

Deputy District Attorney William Clark, co-prosecutor in the murder case against the actor's son, Christian Brando, will go to U.S. District Court in Los Angeles Monday to request that federal officials ask French officials in Tahiti to serve a subpoena on Cheyenne Brando, said office spokeswoman Sandi Gibbons.

''We will work through the U.S. government to ask the French government to subpoena her to testify at the trial,'' Gibbons said.

Christian Brando, 32, is charged with murder for shooting to death Dag Drollet 26, the lover of his 20-year-old half-sister in the actor's Hollywood Hills estate May 16. His trial is scheduled to begin Oct. 9.

Christian has admitted shooting Drollet, the son of an influential political figure in Tahiti, but said it was an accident. Prosecutors said Brando shot Drollet after Cheyenne falsely claimed Drollet had beaten her.

Cheyenne gave a statement to police in June in which police said she indicated the shooting was premeditated.

Cheyenne, who has citizenship in both Tahiti and the United States, returned in June to the French-governed South Pacific Island, thereby thwarting police and prosecutors who had wanted to subpoena her to testify at the preliminary hearing where Christian was ordered to stand trial on murder charges.

She since has given birth to Drollet's child.

Authorities in Tahiti are investigating Cheyenne as a possible suspect and reportedly have detained her in a psychiatric hospital. Los Angeles prosecutors do not consider her a suspect.

Unless Cheyenne testifies, her statement to police cannot be used as evidence against Christian.

After spending three months in County Jail, Christian was freed last month on $2 million bail when his legendary father posted his $4 million estate as collateral.

If convicted of first-degree murder, Christian could be sentenced to 25 years to life in state prison. He does not face a possible death sentence.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Texaco Inc. said Friday it had started commercial production from an oil field off the coast of China, the first such production from the widely explored Pearl River Basin Mouth Basin.

Called Huizhou 21-1, the field 100 miles southeast of Hong Kong in the South China Sea is expected to reach a peak daily production rate of 30,000 barrels of crude early in 1991, a Texaco statement said.

A second Huizhou 21-1 oil field is expected to contribute another 50, 000 barrels a day when it reaches peak output in early 1992, Texaco said.

The field is being jointly developed by the Texaco Petroleum Maatschappij Nederland B.V. subsidiary, China National Offshore Oil Corp., Agip Overeseas Ltd. and Chevron Overseas Petroleum Ltd.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - The Pentagon says NO one was injured when U-S and Austrialian warships fired warning shots today at an Iraqi tanker in the Gulf of Oman. The Navy frigate U-S-S Brewton and an Austrialian warship fired warning shots at an Iraqi tanker when it refused to accept a boarding. The Pentagon says the tanker then took on a joint boarding party, and after a check of its cargo, the tanker was allowed to proceed to the Iraqi port at Basra.

The second day of questioning at David Souter's Senate confirmation hearing has still failed to reveal how the New Hampshire jurist feels about abortion. Souter told the Senate committee today that he had NOT made up his mind about

how to rule on a challenge to the 1973 decision legalizing abortion. He said it would be misleading to say he has a concrete opinion on the controversial issue.

The Detroit tavern owner who prosecutors say drove the pick-up truck in which baseball great Billy Martin was killed took the stand at his trial today and tearfully told the court that Martin was the driver. In Fenton, new York... William Reedy also testified that neither he NOR Martin was under the influence of alcohol. The 61-year-old Martin died of a fractured neck and spinal cord compression in the wreck.

Agriculture Secretary Yeutter says the farm policy law now being written by Congress is a Trojan horse loaded with what he termed ''mal-odorous policy cadavers.'' In the strongest administration language yet... Yeutter said the measure would undermine the money- making ability of American farmers by pricing them out of the world market and curtailing production. He listed about a dozen things that the administration wants changed.

The Florida lottery madness has hit such a feverish ticket-buying pace officials decided NOT to estimate the final size of the jackpot. It's already at more than 100-Million dollars. The prize for tomorrow night's drawing isalready the second-largest in U-S history. The biggest is Pennsylvania's 115-Million-dollar prize in April 1989.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 14) UPI - Six of the nine unions in the Allied Printing Trades Council at the New York Post had reportedly either reached or were close to reaching agreement with management on money-saving cuts late Friday as the 8 p.m. closure deadline approached.

Unpaid union adviser Theodore Kheel said the unions were the machinists, typographers, paper handlers, electricians, mailers and stereotypers.

But roadblocks remained with the biggest union, the Newspaper Guild, which represents 352 reporters, editors and advertising workers.

Kheel said, ''The Guild is the most difficult one'' in the negotiations.

The drivers union, which has been asked to give back $8.5 million in concessions, and the pressmen, who have been asked for $2.7 million, also have yet to reach agreement with management.

Barry Lipton, head of the local Newspaper Guild chapter, said management ''has resisted any approach that does not include a massive cut in wages for our members.''

The Newspaper Guild appeared to be balking at demands that it agree to more than $5 million in concessions the union says will reduce pay and benefits by 46 percent for its members.

Meanwhile, staff prepared two newspapers - one to report the tabloid's survival and another in case cost-cutting talks failed to keep the paper alive.

''We have to be prepared for either outcome,'' Managing Editor Lou Colasuonno said of the down-to-the-wire negotiations to determine whether Saturday's paper would be the last edition of the Post.

The country's oldest - and some would say boldest - continuously published daily newspaper had settled or was close to striking a deal with at least six of its nine unions.

As the clock ticked closer to an 8 p.m. Friday deadline set by owner Peter Kalikow for negotiating over $17 million in staff and salary cuts from unions, the owner met with union leaders at the St. Patrick's Cathedral residence of Cardinal John O'Connor.

One source said negotiators agreed to the meeting at St. Patrick's Cathedral for ''divine intervention.''

Kalikow has said Saturday's edition of the 189-year-old tabloid would be the last if he cannot staunch the flow of red ink which reportedly has cost him more than $100 million in the two years he has owned the paper.

After meeting with O'Connor, Kalikow said he was ''very optimistic'' about the talks and praised the cooperative nature of the bargaining at the Sheraton Centre Hotel in midtown Manhattan.

''We are negotiating for survival,'' said Kalikow, a prominent Manhattan real estate developer.

Kalikow said he had offered unionized employees 20 percent equity in the paper and a seat on its board of directors in return for concessions. He maintains he merely wants the paper to break even or become ''slightly profitable.''

Downtown, at the Post building in the shadow of the Brooklyn Bridge, Managing Editor Colasuonno said moods varied as widely as the two potential Saturday newspapers under preparation.

''These things always go down to the wire,'' Colasuonno said. ''It could be a production problem for us. It's going to be an emotional ride for the staff.''

Colasuonno himself will write the Post front-page headline.

''We'll do the front page the way we always do it. We're not going to change

our style now,'' he said.

Post columnist Ray Kerrison Friday lamented the newspaper's possible fate, recalling the half-dozen papers that thrived in New York during the 1950s.

''After nearly 14 years here, I've grown to love the Post,'' he said. ''It does what tabloid newspapers are supposed to do: yell and scream, highlight issues, inform, amuse, explain, arouse.

''Some people don't understand the role, and elitists look down their noses, but I've been a tabloid newspaperman all my life and I wouldn't have it any other way.''

Management at the Daily News and The New York Times have said they would seek similar contract concessions from the same unions if they gave in to the demands by the Post's management.

Kalikow said he ''desperately'' wants to keep the Post alive but is no longer willing to pour more millions into the paper, which he said has cost him more than $100 million since he bought it from Rupert Murdoch in 1988. He expects to lose $27 million this year, a figure verified by the unions' accountants.

Unionized reporters and editors at the Post currently make a base salary of $42,000.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Supreme Court nominee David Souter spent a second day fielding questions from the Senate Judiciary Committee. The 50-year-old federal judge from New Hampshire may have eased fears held by lawmakers who favor legalized abortion when he said he would listen to both sides of any challenge to the landmark ruling that guaranteed a woman's access to abortion. President Bush offered positive marks for his nominee to the high bench.

Republican lawmakers threatened today to pull out of the on-going budget talks if the contents of the supposedly secret efforts continue to appear in news reports. Senate G-O-P leader Bob Dole says he is UNcertain if members of his party should negotiate while being branded by Democrats as the party of the rich. Legislators are trying to pare 50-BILLION dollars from the fiscal 1991 budget before automatic spending cuts are enacted October 1st.

The nation's oldest continuously running newspaper has reached or is close to reaching pacts with six of the nine unions representing its workers. But roadblocks remain between The New York Post and its biggest union. The presses are set to run on one of two editions... depending on whether compromises are struck with the remaining workers. One declares a settlement. The other edition declares the 189-year-old tabloid's death.

Doctors say a four-year-old girl with a rare immune disease is doing beautifully after undergoing a historic procedure... the first official attempt at gene therapy. The girl underwent the procedure today at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland. Dr. W. French Anderson says the girl talked and played as genetically altered cells were infused into her body for 28 minutes. The child suffers from an immune system defect similar to what which afflicted David, the famed Texas ''bubble boy.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - Top leaders of America's Protestant and Roman Catholic faiths Friday warned President Bush he would be acting immorally if the U.S. sanctions against Iraq harmed that nation's civilian population.

Archbishop Roger Mahony of Los Angeles, who heads the National Conference of Catholic Bishops' commitee on international policy, said Bush must use ''utmost care'' in actions against Iraq, especially in blocking food and medicine from entering the country, lest he violate moral standards.

Independently, the National Council of Churches, made up of 32 Protestant and Orthodox communions, said it supported ''the provision of essential food and medicine to civilian populations, including the Iraqi civilian population'' and that such shipments should ''be excluded from the economic embargo against Iraq, as authorized by the U.N. Security Council.''

The separate Protestant and Catholic actions were among the first signs that Bush's strategy of economic strangulation of Iraq might meet resistance from important segments of the American population.

While U.S. religious groups have been generally supportive of Bush's policy of countering the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the implications of that policy as it involves the civilian Iraqi population are now causing second thoughts.

The NCC resolution, for example, said that, ''Consistent with the long-standing policies of the churches regarding humanitarian aid, we would oppose any attempt on the part of the United States or any other government to withhold food or supplies for for political purposes.''

Mahoney, in a letter to Secretary of State Jame Baker, said, ''We understand that Saddam Hussein, by his words and actions, makes this complex and difficult, but the moral justification for our intervention requires that we maintain the distinction between the Iraqi regime and ordinary and vulnerable Iraqi citizens.''

At the same time, the United Methodist Church's Council of Bishops appealed to Bush, ''as a manifestation of his faith in God as revealed in Jesus Christ, to

pursue every possible political and diplomatic avenue - however lengthy - as a primary option.

The bishops of the 8.9 million-member denomination warned against turning the Persian Gulf crisis into a U.S.-Iraqi showdown.

''We urge that such political and economic pressure be directed through the United Nations rather than unilaterally by the United States,'' the bishops said. ''One of the positive and hopeful signs of the current situation is the broad consensus of world opinion.''

In the letter to Baker, Mahony reiterated the church's general support of the U.S. ''decision to oppose (Iraqi) aggression and to express our humanitarian concerns,'' noting that Archbishop Daniel Pilarczyk of Cincinnati, president of the bishops's conference, had described Iraq's invasion of Kuwait as ''devoid of provocation or any justification.''

''We wish to reiterate our strong support for the international solidarity, so successfully negotiated by this administration and by the United Nation's secretary-general, which has effectively halted Iraqi aggression and offers hope for the peaceful liberation of Kuwait and the creation of a new and more just order for the region,'' Mahony told Baker.

And, he said, the Catholic bishops associated themselves with Bush's ''clear assertion'' in his televised address to the nation Tuesday evening that ''our enemy is Saddam Hussein - not the Iraqi people.''

That means, Mahony said, that in implementing the embargo and other sanctions, ''the utmost care and sensitivity be exercised so that innocent civilians are not deprived of those essentials for the maintenance of life, i.e., food and medicines.''

ope for the peaceful liberation of Kuwait and the creation of a new and more just order for the region,'' Mahony told Baker.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Two new competitors on the verge of breaking into the billion-dollar Florida convention industry will soon vie with larger, well-established centers in Miami Beach and Orlando.

The $140 million Tampa Convention Center opens Oct. 19 with a planned $100,000 three-day celebration, while the $49 million Fort Lauderdale- Broward County Convention Center is slated to open in September 1991.

Although both centers will be considerably smaller than their counterparts in central and south Florida, each will be equipped to handle groups of up to

10,000, officials said.

''They will compete with us for certain groups. ... For certain groups, it will offer another option,'' said Ty Stroh, vice president of the Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau.

''The national stuff - the major conventions looking for a site in the Southeast - are going to look at Atlanta, New Orleans and Orlando,'' said John Rutherford of the Orlando-Orange County Convention & Visitors Bureau.

''That second level - which would include state and regional business conventions - in addition to those three cities they'd be looking at Tampa, Jacksonville and Fort Lauderdale,'' he said.

The Tampa center will have 200,000 square feet of exhibit space, a 36,000-square-foot ballroom and 18 additional meeting rooms.

By comparison, the Orange County Convention-Civic Center has 350,000 square feet of exhibit space. It is slated for expansion by 1998.

The Tampa center's efforts to attract business have been limited in part by tight hotel space, said Lamar Williams, marketing director for the Tampa-Hillsborough Convention & Visitors Association.

''We've looked at booking events with requirements of 200,000 square feet or less that meet our current limited hotel space,'' Williams said.

While Tampa has roughly 15,000 hotel rooms, many of them stay full, he said. As a result, only about 3,000 rooms can be blocked by convention planners.

''Hopefully, we'll be able to interest a developer into building a hotel,'' said Joe Abrams, Tampa's parks, recreation and cultural affairs administrator.

Pre-opening bookings have netted the Tampa center an average of 30 events annually over the next three years.

The Greater Fort Lauderdale-Broward County Convention Center, with 150,000 square feet of exhibit space, also may be limited by available hotel space.

''City officials are working to build hotels near the site,'' said Francine Mason of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau.

An economic impact study estimated the Fort Lauderdale center will inject $104.3 million into the local economy once the market stabilizes, Mason said. So far, officials have booked 95 events at the center.

In Tampa, conventioneers are expected to pump hundreds of millions of dollars into the economy within the first year, Williams said.

Orlando, Florida's most popular convention destination, hosted more than $1 billion in convention business last year, followed by Miami, which raked in roughly $600 million. Orange County booked 6,300 meetings and events at various locations last year.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - NASA managers gave the nod for a presumably leak-free shuttle Columbia to begin the countdown early tomorrow toward a scheduled launch date next week. Columbia's 10-day astronomy mission is already three months behind after multiple hydrogen leaks and trouble with an on-board telescope. If all goes well... and some NASA officials consider it a big ''if''... Columbia takes off Tuesday from Cape Canaveral, Florida.

Black leader Nelson Mandela says South Africa President de Klerk believes ''some hidden hand'' is behind the wave of black unrest... trying to sabotage racial reform in the country. Mandela met with de Klerk today for the second time this week to discuss the factional fighting in black townships near Johannesburg that has killed more than 720 people since early August.

Former thrift regulators defend as cost effective their actions in a series of 1988 sales of failing savings and loans. But lawmakers say the sales amounted to sweetheart deals. The sales were part of a program by the now-defunct Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation to quickly dispose of the assets of about 200 s-and-l's. A General Accounting Office official labels the program as ''most generous to investors.''

An Atlanta-based research group says something must be done to induce health care workers to work with the nation's elderly. The Southern Regional Educational Board says while America's geriatric community grows, the number of people providing the elderly with social services remains insufficient. The group says working with the aged must be made more attractive.

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SAN JOSE, Costa Rica (SEPT. 14) UPI - Salvadoran government and rebel representatives entered Day 2 of their peace talks with neither side budging from its set position, casting much doubt on the hopes of quickly ending the civil war.

The fifth round of U.N.-mediated talks, scheduled to end Tuesday, between government representatives and commanders of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front appeared to get off to a poor start with accusations flying across the negotiation table, sources close to the talks said.

Negotations have been stalemated since May on the subjects of the armed forces and demilitarization.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said the U.S. fully supported the talks, calling on the FMLN to soften its position.

''These talks are the best chance in years to end the war, and we are confident that they can succeed if both sides at the talks are flexible and serious,'' Boucher said. ''We urge the FMLN to respond positively to the government's call for an immediate ceasefire.''

The rebels are insisting that both their guerrilla army and the government's 55,000-strong armed forces must be dismantled to allow for lasting peace.

Citing constitutional restrictions, President Alfredo Cristiani has repeatedly said in public that ''the government is not willing to put the existence of the armed forces on the table.''

Rebel delgation leader Shafik Jorge Handal said before entering the talks Thursday that the ball is in the government's court to come up with a proposal satisfactory to both sides.

Cristiani, however, said this week the government delegation would arrive at the talks with the same proposals for military reform rejected at the last two rounds of talks, also held in Costa Rica. He said any progress would have to come from compromise on the part of the FMLN.

The Salvadoran government has offered to implement major military reductions after the war ends and has proposed that the country's three highly militarized police forces be transferred to civilian control and that the rag-tag Civil Defense forces that operate in rural areas be disbanded.

Central American deputy defense, security and foreign ministers met Friday in El Salvador to discuss the effects of rebel movements on the region. The ministers made a ''vehement'' call to guerillas throughout the area to end all violence and hostilities.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 14) UPI - A Georgia businessman and associate of former President Jimmy Carter was headed home Friday after spending 11 years in an Iranian prison on espionage charges, officials said.

E. David Rabhan, 64, a Savannah native who worked as a pilot for Carter during his 1970 gubernatorial campaign in Georgia, was scheduled to arrive at Hartsfield International Airport late Friday on a flight from Zurich, a Carter Presidential Center spokeswoman said.

State Department officials in Washington said Rabhan was released about two weeks ago.

Iranian authorities arrested Rabhan in 1979 while he was there on business - two months before the U.S. embassy in Tehran was seiged, setting off the hostage crisis that crippled Carter's presidency. Rabhan eventually was charged with espionage.

Carter has worked for years to win Rabhan's freedom.

''He was a prisoner,'' Carter said. ''He was never a spy. He never had any kind of connection with the CIA or with any sort of espionage or spying.''

Rabhan won his freedom from the Evin Prison outside Tehran Aug. 6, but Iranian authorities did not permit him to leave the Middle Eastern country until Thursday.

''I look forward to being united with a friend,'' Carter said. ''He's really an extraordinary person. I'm very proud of David.

''He says he's in good physical shape,'' the former president added. ''I've talked to him a couple of times on the phone lately. He's always had a great sense of humor, and he never has lost that. I think if anyone can come through the ordeal of 10 years in an Iranian prison, it would be David Rabhan.''

Since Rabhan was not technically considered a hostage, his story is not known to most Americans.

''I'm kind of numb,'' said Statesboro, Ga., attorney Phillips Hamilton, a close friend of Rabhan. ''We've hoped and prayed for it so long to finally come about.''

Hamilton accused the Iranian government of jailing Rabhan simply for ''being a friend of Jimmy Carter.''

''They accused him of being a spy; he was not,'' Hamilton said. ''He's closer than a brother to me and I know he was not. At that time, just being a friend of Jimmy Carter was a crime in Iran.''

Hamilton declined to identify who was involved in the negotiations that led to Rabhan's release, but he said the U.S. government was not directly involved.

After a reunion with Carter, Rabhan was to fly to Savannah, where his mother, Frances Rabhan, lives.

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WESTBORO, MA (SEPT. 14) UPI - Data General Corp. said Friday it agreed to pay $6 million to settle two 5-year-old stockholder suits but also disclosed it has been named plaintiff in a new, similar class action.

The payment ended two suits filed in 1985 against the company, directors and executives including Edson de Castro, a co-founder, former president and now chairman of the computer company.

One suit had charged the company misled stockholders about its prospects. Data General has not had an annual profit since 1985 and lost $23.1 million in the quarter that ended in June.

The other suit settled out of court charged officers and directors with waste and breech of fiduciary responsibility in connection with pay and bonuses for executives.

Data General said a ''portion'' of the $6 million settlement costs was covered by insurance.

''We are pleased to be able to bring this long-standing litigation to a close on reasonable terms,'' said Ronald L. Skates, company president.

The new suit, which a spokesman, James Dunlap, said was filed in U.S. District Court more than a week ago, charges the company with making misleading statements about its business this year.

The company said in a statement that the suit is ''without merit'' and that it ''believes it will not have any material effect on its business or financial condition.''

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#90257u2231 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 14) UPI - NO injuries were reported today as U-S and Australian warships fired warning shots at an Iraqi oil tanker in the Gulf of Oman. The Pentagon says a joint boarding party inspected the Iraqi vessel before allowing it to proceed. Since entering the gulf region, American naval forces have boarded approximately 35 vessels to make sure they were NOT breaking U-N-ordered sanctions against Iraq.

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The Bush administration today confirmed Saudi Arabia has proposed purchasing 20-BILLION dollars in advanced American military weaponry. But officials in Washington say the tentative exchange... which would be the largest arms sale in U-S history... has NOT been approved by Secretary of State Baker. Congress also has the option of rejecting the sale... which is slated to include

sophisticated aircraft, armored vehicles and missiles.

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Britain plans to increase its military presence in the Persian Gulf... by adding more than six-thousand troops and 120 tanks. British Defense Secretary Tom King says the 7th Armoured Brigade will be sent to the gulf from West Germany. A week after Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2nd, Britain sent three-thousand troops to join a multinational force protecting Saudi Arabia and other Arab states.

Florida officials say police recently took evidence from another suspect in the slayings last month of five students near the University of Florida campus at Gainesville. Polk County officials say body samples were taken from Stephen Michael Bates of Lakeland. He's in jail 130 miles south of Gainesville on burglary and assault charges UNrelated to the slayings. Police say University of Florida freshman Edward Humphrey also is a suspect.

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#90257u2232 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 14) UPI - Sen. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., introduced legislation Friday calling for the appointment of 13 new bankruptcy judges to relieve overloaded judges and backlogged courts.

Under DeConcini's proposal, Florida would get three new judges and Arizona two. The bill calls for one additional bankruptcy judge each in Colorado, Georgia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Tennessee, South Carolina and Virginia.

DeConcini noted that in 1989 Arizona ranked ninth of 94 national districts in the total number of bankruptcy cases filed, led the country in business reorganizations and had the second-highest number of Chapter 11 filings.

In the first half of 1990, the number of bankruptcy cases filed in Arizona jumped 21 percent.

Each of Arizona's five bankruptcy judges has more than 5,000 cases pending, including approximately 400 Chapter 11 filings, DeConcini said.

''I do not feel a judge can adequately serve the public when laboring under these types of burdens,'' DeConcini said. ''The judges are overworked, the courts are overcrowded and, inevitably, the public will suffer.''

DeConcini said the need for more judges was ''equally compelling'' in the other states included in his legislation. He asked the Sente to ''ensure that the demand for new bankruptcy judges is adequately met.''

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Baseball

Montreal - Named Jeffrey Wren, Jim Fleming and Mike Murphy full-time scouts; named Cheryl Evans administrative assistant to the director of scouting.

San Francisco - Announced the recall of pitchers Eric Gunderson and Rafael Novoa and infielder Andres Santana and the purchase of catcher Steve Decker from their Shreveport farm club effective at the end of the Texas League playoffs.

Basketball

Sacramento - Signed guard Travis Mays to a 3-year contract.

San Francisco - Announced the recall of pitchers Eric Gunderson and Rafael Novoa and infielder Andres Santana and the purchase of catcher Steve Decker from their Shreveport (AA) farm club effective at the end of the Texas League playoffs.

College

Arkansas-Pine Bluff - Forfeited last season's seven football victories and tie for using an ineligible player.

Atlantic 10 - Announced the resignation of Assistant Commissioner John Wooding effective Sept. 28.

Florida State - Accepted invitation to join Atlantic Coast Conference.

Indiana State - Suspended quarterback Marvin Bullock for violation of team rules.

MAAC - Hired Barbara Church as assistant commissioner and promoted Jay Williams to associate commissioner.

NCAA - Restored eligibility of Arizona defensive back McCann Utu.

Southern California College - Named Matt Fogelsong sports information director.

Southern Illinois - Named Sam Riggleman baseball coach.

Football

Atlanta - Signed cornerback William Evers; waived quarterback Gilbert Renfroe.

Indianapolis - Activated defensive end Jon Hand, linebacker Jeff Herrod and guard Randy Dixon; placed tight end Eugene Riley on injured reserve; waived defensive ends Sean McNanie and Gary Baldinger.

LA Rams - Activated tight end Damone Johnson; released tackle Jeff Mickel.

Phoenix - Placed defensive tackle Bob Clasby on injured reserve.

Hockey

Hartford - Returned goaltender Mike Lenarduzzi to Sault Ste. Marie (OHL); center Geoff Sanderson to Swift Current (WHL) and center Denis Chalifoux to Laval (QMJHL).

Los Angeles - Assigned center Mike Allison to Phoenix of the International Hockey League.

New York - Signed left wing John Ogrodnick.

Pittsburgh - Sent forwards Daniel Gauthier, Christian Lalonde, Shawn Lillie, Troy Mick and defensemen Paul Laus, Todd Nelson, Jeff Waver and Andrew Wolf to minor-league teams; returned forward Dave Shute and defenseman Kelly Chetowetz to junior teams; released defensemen Peter Berthelson, Andre Brassard and Marc Rousseau, goaltenders Jeff Fife and Kenton Rein, and forwards Bob McGrath and Sylvain Lajaunesse.

Quebec - Agreed to terms with defensemen Mario Doyon, Stephane Guerard and Gerald Bzdel and forwards Lucien Deblois, Iiro Jarvi, Dan Vincelette, Darin Kimble, Everett Sanipass, David Latta, Tony Hrkac and Mike Hough.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Hikers are being warned to stay off a 230-mile stretch of the Appalachian Trail in Pennsylvania following the killings of two people near a wooden shelter. State police are searching the area for clues in the killings of a man and his female companion. Police have NO known suspects or motives in the slayings, which reportedly took place late Wednesday or early yesterday.

Greyhound management today rejected union claims for back-pay for its striking workers. The bus company is in the midst of bankruptcy proceedings. It asked a federal court in Brownsville, Texas, to throw out the union's request to be treated equally with the busline's other creditors because of violence since the union's walkout. Greyhound filed for bankruptcy in June... three months after some 63-hundred drivers went on strike.

A federal study made public today indicates counties where nuclear power plants or weapons facilities are located have cancer rates NO higher than counties where such facilities do NOT exist. The two-year National Cancer Institute study included 107 counties where nuclear plants were located as opposed to 292 similar locales without such facilities. Surveyers allowed that the study contains certain UNcertainties such as the latency period of cancer.

A New York state buffalo rancher has incurred the wrath of animal- rights activists for hiring a posse to shoot his herd when it escaped and damaged a tree farm he runs. The herd of 16 buffalo escaped Wednesday when two teen-agers got their pick-up truck tangled in the pasture's wire fence and left a gaping hole. New York State police at Hornell say by yesterday, a posse of about 40 people had killed most of the animals.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

Basketball

NBA Commissioner David Stern said the day may come when basketball teams from the NBA, Europe and elsewhere play for a world title. Speaking at the four-day league meetings at Boca Raton, Fla., Stern said that current international exhibitions, such as Spain's McDonald's Open where NBA teams play European opponents, are prompting intercontinental play and may eventually pave the way for a global title game.

Business

The NBA Philadelphia 76ers and NHL Philadelphia Flyers are close to a deal that will keep both teams in the city, according to a published report. The Philadelphia Inquirer said that Spectacor - the company which operates both franchises - is expected to sign an agreement with city officials within two weeks and spurn a move across the Delaware River to Camden, N.J. ... A Gallup poll showed that fewer than one-third of Chicago residents with an opinion, back Operation PUSH's boycott of sneaker Nike. The poll found that 45 percent of blacks supported Nike, with 34 percent of those queried saying they had no opinion.

Football

A USA Today reporter filed suit against the Cleveland Browns over a series of disputes with players last season, including being physically threatened and being pelted with equipment. Freelance writer Ken Myers accused the Browns of defamation of character, civil assault and battery and interfering with a business relationship after writing a story which allegedly linked former

Browns' cornerback Hanford Dixon and quarterback Bernie Kosar in relationships with a prostitute. ... A statue of the late Pittsburgh Steelers owner Art Rooney will be unveiled Oct. 7 outside Three Rivers Stadium prior to the Steelers-San Diego Chargers game. The 2,500-pound bronze statue was created by Raymond Kaskey of Chester, Pa. and was paid for with $371,000 in donations.

Golf

The first round of the Greater Grand Rapids Senior Open was rained out, reducing the event to two rounds over the weekend. Five three-somes wwre on the coursw when thunder, lightning and nearly two inches of rain cancelled play.

Hockey

Russ Courtnall scored the go-ahead goal in the second period, carrying the Montreal Canadiens to a 4-2 exhibition victory over the Soviet club Dynamo Riga in Moscow. Shayne Corson, Stephane Richer and Denis Savard also scored for the Canadiens in their second win of an eight-game tour of the Soviet Union.

International

Wang Dingfeng, deputy director of security for the Beijing Asian Games, warned that ''hostile elements'' may try to sabotage or disrupt the upcoming Asian Games, but added China would deploy large numbers of security officers to prevent any disturbance. He outlined security precautions for the Sept. 22 games that included surveillance cameras and metal detectors.

Law

William Reedy, the Detroit tavern owner who was injured last Christmas in an car crash that killed Billy Martin, testified that neither he nor Martin was drunk and that the former New York Yankees manager was driving the pickup truck at the time of the accident. Reedy, who is charged with driving while impaired, admitted telling authorities at the crash scene that he was at the wheel in order ''to protect'' Martin. ... Chet Forte, an award-winning television sports producer and an admitted gambler, pleaded guilty to federal fraud and tax charges and now faces up to 11 years in prison. Forte, 55, told a judge in Camden, N.J. he misrepresented his financial status on a loan application and failed to file a 1987 tax return.

Olympics

Members of the International Olympic Committee, meeting in Tokyo to study the growth of the summer games, stressed the danger of running out of candidate cities to host future games. IOC organizers are becoming increasingly concerned with the candidate pool becuase the games have simply become too big

and too costly to stage. ... The IOC also rejected an appeal from animal rights groups which objected to pigeons being used at the games' opening ceremonies. After hearing complaints that several birds were incinerated in Seoul's Olympic flame in 1988, the committee decided to stick to its format - to release the pigeons before the lighting of the flame - which has existed since the first modern Olympics in 1896.

Tennis

Goran Ivanisevic used a booming serve to rout Fabrice Santoro 6-2, 6- 3 and advance to the semifinals of $300,000 Bordeaux Passing Shot tournament in France. Ivanisevic will meet No. 3 seed Guillermo Perez- Roldan of Argentina in the semifinals. Perez-Roldan defeated Thierry Champion of France 4-6, 6-2, 6-1.

Track and Field

The biggest crowd to witness a track meet in Britain in 25 years is virtually guaranteed for Sunday's McVitie's Challenge at Sheffield, England. A total of 16,000 tickets have already been sold for the meet, and because demand for seats is still heavy, they are expected to surpass the 17,000 in attendance at London's Crystal Palace in 1965.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 14) UPI - A court-appointed psychiatrist has found that a purported obsessed fan charged with murdering actress Rebecca Schaeffer is mentally competent to stand trial, a judge said Friday.

Superior Court Judge Jacqueline Connor said that the psychiatrist she appointed concluded that Robert Bardo, 20, who has a history of mental illness qualifies as mentally competent because he understands the nature of the proceedings against him and can assist in his own defense.

The judge ordered the psychiatric evaluation on Aug. 2, but in an unusual move did not declare she had doubts about Bardo's mental competency.

Bardo's lawyer, Deputy Public Defender Stephen Galindo, said that under California law, a judge must formally express such a doubt before a competency evaluation can be ordered.

Galindo said that since neither he nor the prosecutor, Deputy District Attorney Marcia Clark, had questioned Bardo's mental state in court, the judge had no legal grounds to order the examination.

Despite the psychiatrist's finding, Clark said she expects Galindo to present some type of psychological defense at the pending trial.

Galindo was not available Friday to comment on the psychiatrist's report. But he said last month that he is still considering having Bardo plead not guilty by reason of insanity.

Bardo, a former janitor from Tucson, Ariz., is described by police as an obsessed fan of Schaeffer. He is accused of stalking the 21-year-old actress, then shooting her to death when she answered the door of her Fairfax District apartment on July 18, 1989.

Schaeffer was best known as the co-star of the television sitcom ''My Sister Sam,'' which also starred Pam Dawber. She also appeared in the film, ''Scenes from the Class Struggle in Beverly Hills.''

Bardo remains in custody without bail and faces a possible death sentence if convicted.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - The following is Money Magazine's Small Investor Index (Dec. 31, 1989 average equals 100):

This week 99.71, off 0.08 or 0.08 percent, compared with 99.79 the previous week.

The week's change for each asset:

Category	PC Chg. Index	PC Chg. Week Ago	PC Chg. Year Ago
Stocks			
Blue chips	93.17	off 0.50	off 3.87
Small stocks	83.60	off 0.69	off 19.75
Equity funds	93.70	off 0.21	off 5.78
Bonds			
Taxable bonds	102.72	up 0.24	up 5.72
Municipal bonds	102.30	up 0.38	up 4.58
Bond funds	100.48	off 0.16	up 1.24
Cash			
CDs	105.81	up 0.15	up 8.03
Money funds	104.23	up 0.11	up 6.04
Other			
Real estate	101.36	up 0.16	up 2.09
Gold	88.48	off 3.12	up 8.94

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - The fate of three French civilians detained by Iraqi troops

during a raid on France's diplomatic building in Kuwait City today remains UNknown. French President Mitterrand warns France ''will respond.''

National leaders of the Protestant and Roman Catholic faiths say U-S forces would be acting immorally if they cut off food and medicine to Iraq. A Catholic statement said a distinction must be made between the Iraqi leadership and the Iraqi people.

One economist says anyone who doesN'T think prices went up last month doesN'T own a car. The government reports energy prices led a one-point- three percent hike in wholesale prices in August... even though retail sales skidded.

Crude oil prices went up today on markets around the world... following reports Iraqi troops stormed diplomatic residences in Kuwait City. Analysts say the markets are reacting to news reports- NOT to supply and demand.

Negotiators are still fighting over contract concessions at the New York Post. The paper's deadline for settlement came and went tonight. One union representative behind closed doors shouted that the paper is ''finished.''

American Airlines and U-S-Air today raised their domestic air fares by four-point-two percent, effective October 1st... matching a similar increase announced by Delta Air Lines. The hikes were blamed on the higher cost of jet fuel brought on by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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#90257u2461 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

CARSON CITY, NE (SEPT. 14) UPI - A lawyer urged the Nevada Supreme Court Friday to allow a quadriplegic man the right to die without subjecting doctors to criminal or civil prosecution.

Kenneth Bergstedt, paralyzed from the neck down in a 1969 swimming pool accident, wants to be sedated with drugs and removed from a ventilator.

His lawyer, Jack Cherry of Las Vegas, told the court medical personnel will not help him for fear of criminal charges or civil suits. Cherry said a former family physician was advised by his medical malpractice insurance company not to disconnect the ventilator or administer the drugs.

Bergstedt, 31, of Las Vegas wants to die with dignity, Cherry said. ''He does not want to die an agonizing death of suffocation by being disconnected from the ventilator,'' Cherry said. ''He wants to be properly sedated and then disconnected.''

The court took the arguments under advisement without indicating when a ruling would be handed down.

Justice John Mowbray and other court members expressed sadness for Bergstedt. Mowbray said, however, he didn't want to suggest he approved of ''suicide.''

''If we give this our blessing, I don't want it turned into a mill that will do away with a lot of people,'' he said.

Justice Thomas Steffen pointed out Bergstedt has his eyesight, can read, watch television and even work a home computer. ''His life is anything but vegetation,'' Steffen said.

Bergstedt's father Robert has taken care of his crippled son for 21 years, but the 67-year-old man may have inoperable cancer, said Cherry, adding that doctors have not determined whether a growing spot on a lung is operable.

The father tends to all the boy's needs, and the younger Bergstedt fears he will end up in an institution if his dad dies. Cherry said the quadriplegic would have to rely on ''run of the mill strangers'' for care - something that would be a ''horrible embarrassment'' to him.

Steffen told Cherry, ''I would hope that Mr. Bergstedt would not feel pressured to go ahead in concluding his life'' if the court approves his request.

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#90257u2465 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 14) UPI - The World Health Organization appealed today for at least 30-Million to 40-Million dollars to prevent a health crisis in Eastern Europe. The organization says the money is needed to help prevent disease and improve hospitals.

Philadelphia's shaky financial position is even shakier- with the city suffering its second drop in long-term bond ratings this summer. The bonds were downgraded today to a notch above junk bond status.

Colombian journalists who risked and at times lost their lives covering their homeland's drug wars were honored today in Cambridge, Massassachusetts. Incoming Nieman Foundation fellow Fernando Cano accepted an award on behalf of his colleagues.

Canada signed a five-BILLION-dollar pact today with four oil companies to immediately begin developing the Hibernia oil field off the coast of Newfoundland. The Canadian energy minister denies the decision is driven by the Persian Gulf crisis.

Pigeons will have to take their chances as usual at future Olympic Games. The executive board of the International Olympic Committee today rejected an appeal from animal protection groups to stop using the birds at opening

ceremonies.

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#90257u2468 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 14) UPI - Roseanne Barr's former personal manager, Arlyne Rothberg, sued the actress Friday, alleging the entertainer breached an agreement by firing Rothberg in January and failing to pay commissions.

The Superior Court lawsuit alleged Barr retained Rothberg in 1989 as her personal magnager, agreeing to pay her 15 percent on any deals she negotiated up to Nov. 1, 1994, and an unspecified commission on all episodes of the ''Roseanne'' television series, expcept for the first six episodes.

The lawsuit, which seeks unspecified general and punitive damages, alleges Barr breached the contrct when she ''purported to terminate'' Rothberg Jan. 3, and by failing to pay commissions owed to the manager.

Barr could not be immediately reached for comment.

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#90257u2543 09/14/1990 ~United Press International
PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 14) UPI - The Philadelphia Flyers Friday signed two of their top stars, goaltender Ron Hextall and right wing Rick Tocchet, to long-term contracts.

Hextall, who held out before the beginning of the 1989-90 season due to a contract dispute, signed a deal which could earn him as much as $1.7 million per year.

Hextall, 26, missed all but eight games last season due to injuries and a suspension imposed by the NHL. He was currently in the fourth year of an eight-year deal.

Hextall's base salary will be $3.5 million over five years, but he could earn an additional $1 million per year with incentive clauses.

Tocchet signed a five-year deal worth $4.5 million.

Tocchet, 26, led the Flyers in scoring last season with 37 goals and 59 assists for a career-high 96 Points In 75 Games. He also accumulated 196 penalty minutes.

In 1988-89 Tocchet scored 45 goals.

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#90257u2558 09/14/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 14) UPI - President Bush opted for denouncement instead of threats of military action in reacting today to Iraqi troop movements in Kuwait. Bush condemned as a violation of international law the Iraqi raids into several diplomatic buildings in the occupied emirate. But Bush says he would NOT describe the situation as any closer to war... saying he still hopes it ''can be peacefully resolved.''

There are signals among the U-S population that President Bush's hardline stance regarding a total embargo of shipments to Iraq is losing support. Two mainstream religious bodies today called upon Bush to use restraint concerning the blockade of food and medicine to Iraq's civilian population. The call came from an official with the U-S Roman Catholic Bishop's Conference and the National Council of Churches.

Jimmy Carter says he's looking forward to being reunited with a friend. A Georgia businessman and associate of the former president is back home tonight after spending 11 years in an Iranian prison on espionage charges. David Rabhan was arrested by Iranian authorities in 1979... two months before the U-S embassy in Tehran was seized. Carter has worked for years to win Rabhan's freedom.

Researchers say a four-year-old girl put stickers on their lab coats as doctors began what could prove to be a ''revolution in medicine.'' Doctors say the child talked and played while genetically altered cells were infused into her body. The girl suffers from a rare immune disease similar to one that afflicted David, the famed Texas ''bubble boy.'' The first official attempt at human gene therapy took place today in Bethesda, Maryland.

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#90258d1580 09/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO, SEPT 15 - France decided Saturday to expel Iraqis and send another 4,000 soldiers to Saudi Arabia in protest at the detention the previous day of its military attache in Kuwait, while Iraq denied its troops had violated French diplomatic premises.

France's President Francois Mitterrand said after a meeting of his inner cabinet that 30 fighter jets would be assigned to the Gulf along with a 1,100-man regiment operating 48 attack helicopters.

Also ordered to Saudi Arabia were an armoured regiment with 48 tanks, an infantry regiment with five anti-tank companies and a company kitted out with Mistral anti-aircraft missiles.

''Our strategy is one of embargo,'' said Mitterrand. ''That is under a U.N. Security Council mandate. One has to make the embargo a success.'' He said however that Paris would react as it has promised to any Iraqi aggression.

Several Iraqi embassies around the world denied that their troops had ''violated the diplomatic missions'' of France and the Netherlands in Kuwait, which has been occupied by Iraq since August 2.

Orders had been issued to Iraqi soldiers not to enter these buildings ''in spite of the fact that they are not considered diplomatic missions since August 24'', the embassies said in a statement. Iraq annexed Kuwait and regards it as an Iraqi province.

The Dutch and French foreign ministries Friday said Iraqi forces had entered their missions in Kuwait.

Meanwhile, Saudi Arabia's ambassador to the United States, Prince Bandar bin Sultan, has circulated to members of the U.S. Congress a shopping list detailing between 18 and 23 billion dollars' worth of modern arms sought by Riyadh, a news report said.

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#90258d1710 09/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN, (SEPT 15) - A government spokesman denied details of a magazine report on Saturday that Saudi Arabia had chided West Germany for its low level of support in the Gulf crisis.

Der Spiegel reported that the Saudi deputy prime minister, Abdalla Ibn Abdelasis, had summoned the new West German ambassador in Ryadh, Wolfgang Bente, and expressed his government's "deep disappointment" with Bonn's refusal to send troops to Saudi Arabia.

The report also quoted Prince Abdalla as saying the refusal could affect trade between the two countries.

Government spokesman Hans Schumacher said the ambassador was not summoned,

but made his first courtesy call on the prince, and that the meeting was held in a "friendly atmosphere."

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#90258d1800 09/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN, (SEPT 15) - Iraq on Saturday returned an Iranian Airbus hijacked during the Gulf war, in another sign of improving relations between the two former enemies, Kayhan newspaper reported.

The Persian-language evening paper said the European-made Airbus, hijacked to Iraq in 1984, landed at Teheran airport. An Iran Air team was sent to Iraq two weeks earlier to make necessary repairs to the jet, it said.

"Iran now hopes that an Iran Air Boeing 727 can be returned in the near future " the newspaper added.

The Boeing was also hijacked in 1984, in the middle of the eight-year Iran-Iraq war, which ended with a U.N.-brokered cease-fire in August 1988.

The Airbus was the second plane returned to Iran since Iraqi President Saddam Hussein announced August 15 that he would meet Iranian demands for a final settlement to the Gulf conflict.

On September 5, Iraq returned a Falcon-20 aircraft belonging to the Iranian domestic airline Asseman that was hijacked by pro-Iraqi dissidents in 1986.

The arrival of the Airbus came less than a week after a visit here by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz during which Iran announced that the two countries had agreed to restore diplomatic relations.

Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki was to travel Sunday to Baghdad on the first visit to Iraq by an Iranian official since the 1979 Islamic revolution.

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#90258d1810 09/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN, (SEPT 15) - Around 120 delegates from 10 Arab countries and the PLO opened a three-day conference here Saturday to support Iraq against the U.S.-led military build-up in the Gulf.

Two radical Palestine Liberation Organization leaders, George Habash of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and Nayef Hawatmeh of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, were attending the conference.

They arrived here Friday for their first official visit to Jordan since Jordanian troops drove out Palestinian guerrillas from the kingdom in fierce battles in 1970-1971.

Delegates from Algeria, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco,

Sudan, Tunisia and Yemen also took part in the Conference of Popular Arab Forces, organized by Jordanian political groups and trade unions.

The organizers said Egypt and Syria had not allowed their nationals to travel to Jordan.

Although the pro-Iraqi conference was under King Hussein's patronage, parliamentary speaker Suleiman Arar, representing the king, opened the event.

He stressed that Jordan backed all U.N. resolutions, including calls for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

Amid popular support here for Iraq, Jordan was among nine Arab League members at a summit last month that failed to vote in favour of condemning the invasion and of endorsing the deployment of foreign troops in the Gulf.

Egypt, Morocco and Syria have since sent troops to be deployed alongside U.S. forces in the Gulf.

A Jordanian official, declining to be named, said the government was not directly linked to the conference, which he said was allowed to go ahead because of recent democratic reforms in Jordan.

The conference aims to "face the imperialist American and Zionist attack triggered by the invasion and occupation of the Arabian peninsula and Gulf waters," said conference spokesman Mahmoud al-Abbadi.

He was referring to the massive build-up in the Gulf that followed Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90258d3000 09/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA, (SEPT 15) - The Iraqi authorities have allowed all Cypriots held in Iraq and Kuwait to return home, Foreign Minister George Iacovou announced Saturday during a visit to Baghdad.

In a statement carried on official Cypriot radio, Mr. Iacovou said eight of the 22 Cypriots still in the two countries would be flying home later Saturday.

Mr. Iacovou arrived in the Iraqi capital earlier in the day to seek the release of the Cypriots, 21 men and one woman.

He had two rounds of talks with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz and also met with Palestine Liberation Organisation chairman Yasser Arafat, whom he thanked for his efforts to secure the Cypriots' freedom, the radio said.

Until Saturday, 10 Cypriot women and children had been allowed to leave since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Baghdad has detained Western men to deter an attack on Iraq by the U.S.-led multinational forces deployed in the Gulf following the August 2 invasion.

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#90258d3210 09/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (SEPT 15) - The United Nations Security Council was

to meet later Saturday at France's request following the Iraqi storming Friday of a French diplomatic compound in Kuwait, U.N. officials said.

The officials said the Council could adopt a new resolution concerning the Gulf crisis, but they would not elaborate.

Earlier Saturday French President Francois Mitterrand said he would seek to extend a U.N.-mandated trade embargo of Iraq to cover air traffic into and out of Iraq and to provide for sanctions against countries which violate the embargo.

He also said France would file a complaint over the forced entry by Iraqi troops Friday into the French ambassador's residence in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait City.

The troops detained three French civilians and the embassy's military attache. The diplomat was later released but the civilians remain in Iraqi hands.

The United Nations has already adopted six resolutions condemning Iraq's August 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait and imposing the trade embargo against Iraq.

In Bonn, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker welcomed the French suggestion of stiffer U.N. sanctions against Iraq and punishment for violaters of the embargo against Baghdad.

"Those are the types of things that we think at some point it might be appropriate to consider, that is sanctions against countries that do not observe the embargo and perhaps further U.N. sanctions to forbid violations of the embargo by air," Mr. Baker said.

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#90258d3430 09/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN, (SEPT 15) - Senior Iranian leaders met Saturday to discuss ways of forcing Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait and end the foreign military intervention in the Gulf, Teheran Radio reported.

The radio said the Supreme National Security Council, the country's highest political body, reaffirmed Iran's "pledge to respect the U.N. Security Council resolutions" calling for an Iraqi withdrawal and sanctions against Baghdad.

The meeting, chaired by President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, discussed "the various ways to force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait," noting that it was essential to "avoid an excuse for any foreign military presence in the region."

"Given the statement by Iranian spiritual guide Ali Khamenei," the council discussed "the means to end the presence of foreign forces in the region" and

the need to "maintain security by regional cooperation," the radio said.

Ayatollah Khamenei said Wednesday that popular Islamic resistance against the massive U.S. military presence in the Gulf amounted to "holy war".

Earlier Saturday, the influential Teheran Times newspaper, close to the Rafsanjani government, warned that Iran would intervene if Washington crosses "the red line" and tries to boost its grip over Moslem resources.

Kahyan International, a paper close to anti-Western hardliners, said Iran "remains as anti-American as it was in the years before the death of its founder Imam Khomeini -- the United States is still the great Satan."

Relations between Teheran and Baghdad have improved in recent weeks, after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said August 15 he would meet longstanding Iranian demands for a settlement to the Iran-Iraq war.

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#90258d3730 09/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LENINGRAD, (SEPT 15) - Former U.S. President Ronald Reagan and his wife, Nancy, arrived in the Soviet Union Saturday on the latest leg of a foreign tour.

A beaming Reagan was welcomed at Pulkovo Airport outside Leningrad by Leningrad council leader Anatoly Sobchak and his wife.

During a brief talk at the airport, Sobchak gave Reagan a set of coloured snapshots taken during the former president's visit to the Soviet Union in 1988.

On Sunday, the Reagans will take in the sights of Leningrad, before leaving for Moscow. They have already visited Poland and Berlin.

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#90258d3760 09/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA, (SEPT 15) - Iraq Saturday denounced France's decision to expel Iraqi diplomats and send more troops to the Gulf, saying the measures were "aggressive" and a pretext for aggravating the current crisis.

A government spokesman, quoted by the Iraqi News Agency (INA) in a dispatch monitored here, said the French government "must bear full responsibility for this escalation" and its consequences.

French President Francois Mitterrand announced the moves Saturday in response to the ransacking the previous day by Iraqi troops of the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait City.

The troops, according to Paris, took away three French civilians who had taken refuge there and briefly detained the French military attache.

But the Iraqi spokesman denied that such an incident took place.

"All that happened was that a counsellor from the former French embassy was found in the private residence of a woman belonging to the former ruling family," he was quoted as saying.

"The counsellor was taken to the former French embassy after his identity was verified," the spokesman said.

"The French government has for some time been seeking a pretext to aggravate the situation and justify its policies, which are imperialist, aggressive and completely aligned to the policies of the United States," he said.

Mr. Mitterrand said France would send 4,000 troops backed by warplanes, tanks and helicopters to Saudi Arabia, expel some Iraqi diplomats and ask the U.N. Security Council to extend its anti-Iraqi sanctions to air traffic.

Government sources later said France would expel 11 Iraqi Embassy officials as well as about 36 other Iraqi nationals.

The Iraqi ambassador to France, Abdul Razzak el-Hashimi, said the French action was "unjustified escalation" that would bring reciprocal retaliation from Iraq "at the diplomatic level."

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#90258d3840 09/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, (SEPT 15) - The holding of British hostages in Iraq and Kuwait cannot be allowed to influence any military decision in the Gulf, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said in an interview to appear Sunday.

She said that any other attitude would have the result that "any dictator would only have to take hostages to know that he could gain his particular purpose and would gradually extend his oppression further and further."

It would mean, she added, that the taking of hostages would become "a recipe for the aggressor".

The interview with Scotland on Sunday was given on Thursday, the day before Britain announced it was increasing its military force in the Gulf.

Mrs. Thatcher said in the interview: "What we have to do is get enough forces (in the Gulf) to be able to cope with whatever happens."

She refused to rule out the use of force in the Gulf, adding that it would be playing into "Saddam's hands" (the hands of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein) to wait for the specific approval of the United Nations before launching a military action.

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#90258p4966 09/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Usinor Sacilor and Edgcomb Corp. announced today the successful completion of the merger of the European and American metal processing companies. The merger is of Edgcomb Corp. with its wholly owned subsidiary Edgcomb Metals Company, headquartered in Bensalem, Pa. and Sollac, a subsidiary of Usinor Sacilor and the largest European producer of flat-rolled carbon steel products, including tin-mill products.

In connection with the transaction, Edgcomb repurchased all its subordinated indebtedness.

Directly or through its parent, Sollac also owns two other metal service centers in the United States: Interstate Steel Co. and Metron Steel Corp.

Michel Longchampt, president of Usinor Industries Inc., parent of Interstate Steel, said: "With the merger, we look forward to Edgcomb being the driving force for the expansion of our service center activities in the United States."

Edgcomb Corp., through its subsidiary, Edgcomb Metals Co., had sales of some $600 million for 1989. Edgcomb operates 18 service centers in most states East of the Mississippi. Edgcomb processes and distributes a full line of carbon and stainless steel as well as aluminum.

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#90258u0143 09/15/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 15) UPI - The United Auto Workers say contract talks in Detroit have been extended indefinitely with General Motors. U-A-W President Owen Bieber issued a statement Friday night... telling workers to stay on the job, even though their contract expired at midnight. The main unresolved issue appears to be job security. The contract covers 310-thousand active and idled workers.

The New York Post won sweeping concessions from its unions late Friday. The deal keeps alive the country's oldest continuously published newspaper, known for its screaming headlines. Owner Peter Kalikow had said he desperately wanted to keep the paper going, but could NOT go on without contract cuts. Union accountants verified it would lose some 27- Million dollars this year.

Iraqi reportedly has successfully tested a chemical warhead on an intermediate-range ballistic missile. The report cites top U-S and Arab officials saying the test provides the first demonstration that Iraq can mount a missile-borne poison gas attack on distant targets. Potential targets include key U-S and Saudi military installations and such vital facilities as ports and cities.

The Justice Department says four more ex-followers of the late guru Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh have been arrested on charges of conspiring to kill a federal attorney. The announcement in Portland came three days after another former disciple of the guru pleaded guilty to the same charges. Prosecutors say the plea is the first step toward prosecuting the guru's former secretary, who allegedly picked the assassination team.

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#90258u0153 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 15) UPI - A lawyer argued in Nevada's Supreme Court Friday that a quadriplegic has the right to die without making doctors vulnerable to prosecution. Kenneth Bergstedt... paralyzed from the neck down in a 1969 swimming pool accident... wants to be sedated with drugs and then removed from a ventilator. His lawyer told the court in Carson City that medical personnel will NOT help him for fear of criminal charges or civil suits.

Attorneys say a former Los Angeles Rams football player was awarded four-and-a-half-Million dollars Friday because his leg had to be amputated last January after 16 UNsuccessful knee operations. Dennis Brewster won his malpractice suit against the U-C-L-A Medical Center... artifical knee manufacturer Howmedica... and the surgeons who attempted to implant the prosthetic device in 1988 when infection set in. Brewster played offensive guard for the Rams in 1969.

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#90258u0212 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 15) UPI - The countdown began Saturday for a last-ditch bid to launch the long-delayed shuttle Columbia before NASA is forced to turn its attention to a higher-priority October flight.

Running more than three months late because of repeated hydrogen leaks and trouble with an on-board telescope, Columbia's countdown began on time at 1 a.m. EDT Saturday capping a week of around-the-clock repair work and testing.

If all goes well - and some NASA officials consider that a big ''if'' - the shuttle's seven-man crew will take off at 1:28 a.m. Tuesday to kick off a 10-day astronomy mission.

''They started the count right on time,'' NASA spokeswoman Lisa Malone said.

''The aft (engine compartment) is already closed out. We're not tracking any issues or problems. They sound like they're in a good mood out there.''

NASA's launch team will only have two days or so to get Columbia off the ground before focusing on the shuttle Discovery's launch around Oct. 8 on a higher-priority $750 million mission to carry the European-built Ulysses solar probe into space.

For Columbia's crew, the stakes are high. If the ship is grounded again, NASA managers may elect to delay the flight for up to a year because of other scheduling problems. At the very best, the mission would be delayed to late next month.

And so, with time running out, Columbia skipper Vance Brand, 59, co- pilot Guy Gardner, 42, Robert Parker, 53, and civilian astronomer Ronald Parise, 39, planned to fly to the Kennedy Space Center from Houston Saturday night for final preparations.

Their crewmates - John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, and astronomer Samuel Durrance, 46 - were scheduled to join them Sunday afternoon.

Launch originally was scheduled for May 30, but the crew was grounded the night before when sensors detected explosive hydrogen gas leaking into the ship's engine room.

Subsequent tests led NASA managers to believe the leak was caused by damaged seals inside a massive 17-inch-wide fuel line fitting. A similar problem grounded the shuttle Atlantis in July.

Columbia was equipped with a new fuel line fitting and rescheduled for launch Sept. 1 only to be grounded again, this time by problems with an on-board telescope, one of four making up the ship's ''Astro-1'' observatory payload.

Finally, a third launch try scheduled for Sept. 6 ended in failure the night before when yet another hydrogen leak showed up. Engineers replaced three suspect pumps in the shuttle's engine compartment before discovering a partially crushed seal in a fuel line valve leading to main engine No. 3.

The clearly damaged $250 seal was replaced earlier this week and launch was rescheduled for Tuesday.

Even so, many engineers questioned whether the faulty seal alone could have accounted for the hydrogen concentrations measured last week. To make sure, additional leak checks were conducted Thursday, but no more problems were found.

Still, after a disappointing summer of delays and repeated setbacks, few NASA officials were willing to make any predictions about Columbia's fourth launch

try in three months.

''In the halls, some of the guys are betting whether any leaks will show up Monday,'' one official said.

In the meantime, agency managers are studying whether they can change tough post-Challenger launch guidelines to increase the allowable concentration of hydrogen in the shuttle's engine compartment.

The limit currently is 600 parts per million, a minuscule .006 percent. But given the nature of hydrogen, some leakage is inevitable and officials are studying whether the current limit is unrealistically conservative.

The goal of the 36th shuttle mission, the 11th since the Challenger disaster but only the fourth this year, is to study X-rays and ultraviolet light from energetic stars and galaxies that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

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#90258u0232 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 15) UPI - Former thrift regulators Friday defended their actions in a spate of hurried 1988 sales of failing savings and loans... which lawmakers have labeled scandalous sweetheart deals. The sales were part of a program by the now-defunct Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation to quickly dispose of the assets of more than 200 thrifts. A General Accounting Office worker have told the House Banking Committee that investors received about 46 dollars for every dollar invested.

Saturday's the day somebody may win at least 100-Million dollars in Florida's Lotto. Players were buying one-dollar Lotto tickets Friday at a record clip of almost 600 per second. Florida Governor Bob Martinez- who opposed creation of the lottery and has vowed NEVER to purchase a ticket- set a news conference for Monday to decide what to do with the state's windfall from the drawing, which could reach 30-Million dollars.

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	84	61	.579	-
New York	82	62	.569	1 1/2
Montreal	76	68	.524	7 1/2
Chicago	68	76	.472	15 1/2
Philadelphia	66	78	.458	17 1/2
St. Louis	66	79	.455	18

West				
Cincinnati	81	62	.566	-
Los Angeles	76	68	.528	5 1/2
San Francisco	75	69	.521	6 1/2
San Diego	66	77	.462	15
Houston	65	79	.451	16 1/2
Atlanta	59	85	.410	22 1/2

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#90258u0310 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 15) UPI - The New York Post splashed an ''Ain't Over Yet'' headline on Saturday's edition to mark a last-minute tentative deal with its unions for sweeping concessions intended to save the brassy tabloid from the newspaper graveyard.

The Post's ten unions agreed Friday to more than $20 million in savings designed to staunch massive losses at the nation's oldest continuously published daily.

''I'm optimistic,'' said Post publisher Peter Kalikow, who had threatened that Saturday's editions would be the paper's last if there was no cost-cutting agreement with the unions. ''I think it's the best offer we could make.''

Soon after the agreement was announced, employees at the newspaper began publishing an edition reporting that, assuming Newspaper Guild members approve the deal Monday, the Post has been saved.

The paper had missed its own early edition deadline while it waited for the outcome of the talks.

''We worked real hard to make it a good paper, and we're glad we're going to be around for a while,'' said Tom Bonfiglio, an assistant on the Post city desk.

The country's oldest - and some would say boldest - continuously published daily newspaper had settled earlier Friday with six of its ten unions.

But the paper's largest unions - including the 352-member Newspaper Guild representing reporters, editors and advertising workers - failed to come to terms as Kalikow's 8 p.m. deadline passed.

Negotiations dragged on past a second 9:45 p.m. deadline. Union leaders then announced the tentative agreement with Kalikow at an 11:30 p.m. news conference.

The breakthrough appeared to have come when Kalikow agreed to let the

Newspaper Guild members wait until Monday to vote on the proposal, which reportedly includes $5 million in givebacks from the union's members.

Newspaper guild President Barry Lipton refused to comment on specifics of the agreement.

''We won't discuss it until we've explained it to our members,'' he said.

But sources said the proposal would include the elimination of between 36 and 44 Newspaper Guild jobs through lucrative buyout packages and a 12 percent cut in benefits.

It was not known, however, whether the proposal included wage cuts, a proposal guild membership has adamantly rejected in the past.

George McDonald, president of the Allied Printing and Trades Council, said the agreement would save the paper.

''We're going to have the Post around for a long time,'' he said.

Added Kalikow, ''It was a difficult negotiation. It was a bitter pill for a lot of these people to swallow.''

Kalikow has said he has lost more than $100 million since buying the paper in 1988. He offered unionized employees 20 percent equity in the paper and a seat on its board of directors in return for concessions. He maintains he merely wants the paper to break even or become ''slightly profitable.''

Management at the Daily News and The New York Times have said they would seek similar contract concessions from the same unions if they gave in to the demands by the Post's management.

Union leaders at the Post said the decision by the Times and News to seek similar cutbacks threatened to divide the city's newspaper unions and threw a major wrench into the Post negotiations.

Kalikow said he ''desperately'' wants to keep alive the Post, which he bought from Rupert Murdoch in 1988. He expects to lose $27 million this year, a projection verified by union accountants.

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#90258u0314 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 14) UPI - Tommy Lasorda would like to don a chauffeur's cap and show the Cincinnati Reds around.

The Los Angeles Dodgers sent 11 batters to the plate in the sixth inning Friday and scored eight times - including a grand slam by Kal Daniels - en

route to a 10-4 rout of the Reds.

''It was a big win for us, but not a bad loss for Cincinnati,'' said Lasorda, the Dodgers' manager. ''The Reds are still in the driver's seat. I'd like to trade places with them.''

The victory moved the Dodgers to within 5 1-2 games of National League West-leading Cincinnati. But Los Angeles only has two more games against the Reds.

The Dodgers scored seven runs with two outs in the sixth. Eddie Murray began the onslaught with a homer to left, his 24th of the year. Mike Scioscia followed with a single and scored on Juan Samuel's double off the left field wall. Alfredo Griffin singled in Samuel and then Alfredo Griffin scored all the way from first when right fielder Glenn Braggs let pitcher Fernando Valenzuela's single roll past him, with Valenzuela taking second on the error.

Stan Javier walked to chase loser Tom Browning and Mike Sharperson singled off Tim Layana to load the bases. Daniels followed with a grand slam to center, putting the game out of reach.

Valenzuela, 13-12, yielded nine hits, struck out four and walked four in pitching his fifth complete game of the year.

Browning fell to 13-8, and was tagged for eight hits and seven runs over 5 2-3 innings.

Daniels, a former Red who has been greeted by his former fans with boos, claimed he doesn't mind, but admitted he enjoyed popping a grand slam against his old club.

''They boo me because they love me,'' Daniels said. ''Hitting the homer here felt good because I played here four years and a lot of people in Cincinnati said I was washed up. I think I've shown that I've still got something left.''

The home run was the 25th this year for Daniels and his third grand slam of the season. Daniels is the first Dodger to hit three grand slams in a season since Ron Cey in 1977.

In other National League games, Montreal beat Pittsburgh 4-2; Philadelphia defeated New York 4-1; Atlanta over San Diego 7-3; Houston edged San Francisco 2-1; and St. Louis downed Chicago 4-2.

In the American League it was: New York 5, Detroit 2; Toronto 8, Baltimore 7; Chicago 4, Boston 0; Cleveland 6, Kansas City 4; Texas 2, Milwaukee 1; California 7, Seattle 5; and Oakland 9, Minnesota 1.

Expos 4, Pirates 2

At Montreal, Larry Walker's two-out two-run homer in the eighth rallied Montreal. Trailing 2-1 in the eighth, Delino DeShields drew a two-out walk off Neal Heaton, 12-9. Tim Wallach followed with an RBI double to tie the score at 2-2. Walker then hit his 18th homer of the year over the right-field fence. Steve Frey, 8-2, who entered in the eighth, picked up the victory.

Phillies 4, Mets 1

At New York, Pat Combs pitched a four-hitter to lead Philadelphia. Combs, 8-9, pitched his second complete game of the season, beating the Mets for the second time in five days. The left-hander walked two and struck out five. Sid Fernandez, 9-13, struck out 12 over 7 1-3 innings, giving up four hits and walking five.

Braves 7, Padres 3

At Atlanta, Jim Presley homered and drove in two runs and Ron Gant ripped his team-leading 29th home run to power the Braves. Tom Glavine improved to 8-11, allowing six hits over six innings. Mark Grant tossed the final three innings to earn his first save. Derek Lilliquist fell to 3-10, surrendering six hits in 3 1-3 innings.

Cardinals 4, Cubs 2

At St. Louis, Bryn Smith won his first game in nearly two months and Pedro Guerrero drove in two runs with a pair of doubles, leading the Cardinals. Smith, 8-8, allowed no runs and four hits in six innings. Rookie Mike Perez worked 2 1-3 innings to earn his first major-league save. Mitch Williams, 1-8, who has been Chicago's closer for most of the season, was roughed up for four runs and seven hits over 3 1-3 innings in his second successive start.

Astros 2, Giants 1

At Houston, rookie Karl Rhodes doubled twice and scored two runs and Mark Portugal continued his mastery of San Francisco hitters, leading the Astros. Portugal, 9-10, worked six innings. Juan Agosto pitched three innings to notch his third save of the season. Kelly Downs fell to 1-1.

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#90258u0320 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 14) UPI - With the help of a rookie, the Toronto Blue Jays were able to experience something they haven't done much of this season: Rally for a win.

Rookie pinch hitter John Olerud's two-out RBI single capped a three- run ninth inning rally Friday night that lifted the Toronto Blue Jays to an 8-7 victory over the Baltimore Orioles.

Toronto rallied for only the second time in 62 games when trailing after eight innings. More importantly, the win helped move Toronto within three games of the Boston Red Sox in the AL East. Boston was blanked by the Chicago White Sox 4-0.

''It would have been easy for us to give up,'' Toronto third baseman Kelly Gruber said. ''But tonight we fought back even after they got another run.

''This team is capable of coming back all the time,'' Gruber said. ''We just haven't been doing it this year.''

Trailing 7-5 in the ninth, the Blue Jays tied it on pinch hitter Rance Mulliniks' two-run single with the bases loaded.

With one out, Tony Fernandez and Gruber singled off Gregg Olson, 5-5, and one out later, Fred McGriff walked on a full count to load the bases.

''Everybody on the field thought it was a strike except the guy that counted '' Baltimore Manager Frank Robinson said.

Batting for Kenny Williams, Mulliniks followed with a single on an Olson curve ball to score Fernandez and Gruber.

''I made up my mind what to look for, I didn't want to guess at whether it would be a curve or a fastball,'' Mulliniks said.

''It's his (Olson's) best pitch,'' catcher Bob Melvin said. ''You can't blame him for trying to get out of the game with his best pitch.''

Olerud, batting for Pat Borders, then bounced a single through the middle to score Fred McGriff and make a winner of Willie Bair, 2-5.

''We've fought back in late innings in passed years,'' said Gruber, who went 4 for 5, scored twice and knocked in two runs, raising his RBI total to 101. ''I hope this is a good sign for the rest of the season.''

In other American League action, New York downed Detroit 5-2, Chicago blanked Boston 4-0, Texas edged Milwaukee 2-1 in 10 innings, Cleveland rapped Kansas City 6-4, Oakland crushed Minnesota 9-1 and California beat Seattle 7-5.

In the National League, it was: Philadelphia 4, New York 1; Montreal 4, Pittsburgh 2; Los Angeles 10, Cincinnati 4; Atlanta 7, San Diego 3; Houston 2, San Francisco 1; and St. Louis 4, Chicago 2.

Yankees 5, Tigers 2

At Detroit, Tim Leary pitched seven strong innings and Roberto Kelly, Steve

Balboni, Jim Leyritz each had RBI singles in a five-run third to pace New York. Mike Blowers added an RBI double in the inning. Leary, improved to 9-18. Dave Righetti pitched the ninth for his 32nd save. Scott Aldred, 1-1, took the loss.

White Sox 4, Red Sox 0

At Chicago, Sammy Sosa hit a two-run home run and Jack McDowell won his seventh game in his last nine starts to lead the White Sox. McDowell, 13-7, struck out 10, matching his career high in seven innings. Joe Hesketh, 0-3, making his second start in place of 20-game winner Roger Clemens, took the loss.

Rangers 2, Brewers 1

At Arlington, Texas, rookie Juan Gonzalez's one-out home run in the 10th lifted the Rangers. Nolan Ryan took over the league lead in strikeouts by fanning 11 Brewers and set an American League record for most 200-strikeout seasons. Kenny Rogers, 9-5, took the win. Chuck Crim fell to 3-5.

Indians 6, Royals 4

At Kansas City, Mo., Chris James belted a solo home run and Doug Jones earned his 35th save to lead Cleveland. Sergio Valdez, 4-5, allowed eight hits over 7 2-3 innings before Jones got the final four outs for his first save since August 22. Kevin Appier, 11-7, lost his third straight.

Athletics 9, Twins 1

At Oakland, Calif., Dave Stewart hurled a five-hitter and became the first pitcher since 1978 to win 20 games in four consecutive seasons. Stewart, 20-10 pitched his ninth complete game of the season. Jim Palmer of the Baltimore Orioles was the last pitcher to win 20 games four years in a row, accomplishing the feat in 1975-78. Mark Guthrie, 6- 8, took the loss.

Angels 7, Mariners 5

At Anaheim, Calif., Dave Winfield hit two home runs to drive in five runs becoming just the 26th player in major league history to reach the 1,500-RBI plateau and power California. The contest also featured the first back-to-back home runs by the father-son duo of Ken Griffey and Ken Griffey Jr. Matt Young, fell to 8-15. Reliever Bob McClure, 2-0, got the win and Bryan Harvey notched his 23rd save.

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#90258u0323 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 15) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United

Press International:

The United Auto Workers union extended its deadline for getting a new contract out of General Motors. Negotiations resume this morning in Detroit. The union says G-M employees should continue working. Job security is believed to be the chief stumbling block to a contract. The union's deadline was midnight last night.

The 10 unions at the New York Post have tentatively agreed to concessions that will save the struggling tabloid 20-Million dollars a year. The agreement keeps the newspaper from folding. Publisher Peter Kalikow says he is optimistic. He said the Post has lost 100-Million dollars since 1988.

Iraq sent troops into diplomatic buildings of three nations in occupied Kuwait yesterday. They belong to France, Belgium and Canada. President Bush called the action ''intolerable,'' but did NOT threaten immediate retribution. Three French civilians who were detained still have NOT been heard from.

Another countdown began this morning for the delayed shuttle Columbia. It will be more than three months late if it meets its new launch time of Tuesday morning. If that target is NOT met, the space agency will give higher priority to the trip of the shuttle Discovery scheduled for early October.

Guitarist Tom Fogerty, a co-founder of the 1960's rock group Creedance Clearwater Revival, is dead at age 48. A record company spokeswoman says Fogerty died last week of complications from tuberculosis. He and his brother John formed several bands in school. One eventually became C-C-R, which sold 86-Million records.

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#90258u0331 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 15) UPI - Republican senators are angry because of leaks about the secret budget talks. Republican Senator Phil Gramm calls the Democrats ''cowardly.'' Senate Republican leader Robert Dole said Democrats had tried to picture the Republicans as favoring the rich in the talks to reduce the federal deficit.

The Senate voted to consider a bill requiring higher fuel economy standards for automobiles. Michigan's two senators, fearing the auto industry would be hurt, tried to filibuster the measure to death. The bill sets a standard for average fuel efficiency of 40 miles a gallon by the year 2001.

The U-S government says there's NO conclusive evidence that people living near nuclear power plants or weapons facilities have increased risk of cancer. The findings are included in a study by the National Cancer Institute. But the study's authors say their approach may NOT have detected health effects that might be limited to smaller areas closest to nuclear facilities.

Border patrol agents rescued 12 Mexicans from a piggyback trailer near Cotulla Texas, yesterday. They had been locked in the trailer more than 13 hours. A spokesman says they were dehydrated because of the heat. Agents are looking for smugglers who left the Mexicans in the trailer.

Financially troubled Philadelphia got more bad news yesterday. Moody's Investment Service downgraded the rating on Philadelphia's general obligation bonds from B-A to B. Water, sewer and airport bonds also got lower ratings. The change makes it harder for the city to sell its bonds.

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (SEPT. 15) UPI - Tom Fogerty, who played and sang in the 1960s rock group Creedence Clearwater Revival with his better-known brother John, has died of complications from tuberculosis, a record company spokeswoman said. He was 48.

Fogerty, the group's rhythm guitarist and co-lead vocalist, died Sept. 6 of respiratory failure, stemming from tuberculosis, Terri Hinte of Fantasy Records said.

Fogerty and his younger brother John formed several bands in junior high and high school in El Cerrito, Calif., teaming up eventually with each other, bass player Stu Cook and drummer Doug ''Cosmo'' Clifford.

The four-member group variously dubbed Tommy Fogerty and the Blue Velvets and The Golliwogs ultimately became Creedence Clearwater Revival and sold more than 86 million records, including eight Top 10 singles and six gold albums.

Their hits included ''Proud Mary,'' ''Bad Moon Rising,'' ''Travelin' Band'' and ''Green River.''

Tom Fogerty left the group in February 1971 because he wanted to spend more time with his wife and children in Arizona.

The remaining members of the group continued as a trio before disbanding in October 1972.

Tom later worked as a solo artist, recording the single ''Joyful Resurrection'' and several albums.

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PARIS (SEPT. 15) UPI - President Francois Mitterrand conferred with his inner cabinet Saturday on retaliation for Iraqi violation of the French Embassy in

Kuwait and the Defense Ministry put a Foreign Legion regiment on alert for service in the Persian Gulf, officials said.

Mitterrand arranged to hold a news conference after the cabinet session at the Elysee Palace to announce a French ''response'' to the seizing of three French civilians from the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait City Friday.

French officials said Iraqi soldiers rounded up a military attache along with the three civilians, who had sought refuge at the ambassador's residence near the main French chancellery. The attache was released several hours later, but the fate of the three civilians was not known.

The 1st Foreign Legion Cavalry Regiment was placed on high alert at its base at Orange in southern France for possible service in the Persian Gulf, defense ministry sources said.

Mitterrand had said Friday, ''This violation is an aggression and we will respond.''

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

PARIS - France will expel some Iraqi diplomats from Paris, limit the movement of others and send 4,000 more troops to the Persian Gulf in retaliation for Iraqi troops' storming of diplomatic compounds in occupied Kuwait. President Francois Mitterand's action was the strongest Western response thus far to Iraqi troops' action Friday in entering the diplomatic compounds of France, Belgium and Canada in occupied Kuwait.

WASHINGTON - A U.S. and an Australian warship in the Gulf of Oman fired warning shots and sent a joint boarding party aboard an Iraqi oil tanker Friday before allowing it to proceed. No injuries were reported.

WASHINGTON - Saudi Arabia has informally notified Congress of its intent to purchase about $20 billion in sophisticated U.S. aircraft, advanced armored vehicles and missiles in what would be the largest arms sales package in U.S. history.

ROME - Secretary of State James Baker, fresh from a visit to Syria where he and Syrian President Hafez Assad were united in their condemnation of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, said the Persian Gulf crisis could forge ''a new world order.'' ''This is the first real crisis of the post-cold war period,'' Baker said. ''We have an opportunity to shape a new world order. The international community must act together and resist and reverse this example

of unprovoked aggression.

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JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 15) UPI - The South African government said Saturday it will use curfews, roadblocks, razor wire and armed patrols in a military-stule operation dubbed ''Iron Fist'' to halt a wave of urban black violence.

Helmeted troops armed with assault rifles began throwing up roadblocks across Johannesburg and the hardest-hit townships around the city late Friday in the first phase of the operation, police Regional Commissioner Maj. Gen. Gerrit Erasmus said.

Erasmus said the Cabinet was soon expected to approve the other measures, ''which will probably be implemented next week,'' aimed at curbing the wave of urban black violence that has left as many as 750 people dead since early August.

The imposition last month of emergency powers for security forces in 27 black townships has had no evident success.

Black leader Nelson Mandela met with President Frederik de Klerk Friday and said De Klerk outlined a ''comprehensive plan'' to deal with the strife, which he said the president accepted was the work of unidentified forces trying to sabotage his seven-month-old racial reform program and not simple black-on-black conflict.

The ''comprehensive plan'' included operation ''Iron Fist,'' Erasmus said, noting African National Congress leader Mandela had agreed to the measures ''as far as I know... without exception.

''If... Mr. Mandela wants an iron fist, we're going to give an iron fist,'' he said. But ANC spokesman Saki Macomoza said later he doubted if Mandela had known precisely what the steps entailed, ''and this is what bothers us.''

Erasmus said police would summon reinforcements from across South Africa and, backed by army units, intended launching the ''stringent'' plan with the assurance the security forces ''shall definitely stop this violence - it is senseless, it's intolerable, and we're going to act very strongly against these people.''

De Klerk said in a statement Thursday that the slaughter was undermining his calls for ''a new South Africa'' and vowed the offenders ''will be firmly dealt with.''

Mandela had earlier warned the strife was threatening talks between the ANC and the government on ending 42 years of white minority rule.

Erasmus said police would patrol the most volatile of the townships in armored vehicles mounted with light machine guns to counter the growing number of attacks on lawmen. They would throw cordons of razor wire around the migrant-worker hostles housing Zulu followers of the Inkatha movement accused of mounting many of the attacks against the townships residents - predominantly Xhosa supporters of the ANC.

Security forces would enforce dusk-to-dawn curfews in some areas, and those townships residents would probably have to have permits, issued by their employers, to move through the stricken areas, Erasmus said.

Police helicopters would regularly overfly the city and the townships, picking out trouble-spots and possibly spraying offenders with colored dye for later indentification, Erasmus said.

Noted a Law and Order official, ''We're looking at thousands of police and troops and miles of razor wire to carry out all these tasks.''

The rapidly spreading fighting, which erupted between the migrant Zulus and township residents, was in the first weeks characterized as Zulu-Xhosa, or Inkatha-ANC.

But the attacks have recently become more random and indiscriminate, with the attackers, identified by witnesses as black, staging quick strikes and then disappearing without a trace.

Mandela warned Friday the latest bloodletting, including gunmen opening fire on pedestrians from passing mini-buses and a rampage by attackers through a train Thursday whick killed 26 and injured more than 100, was the work of ''highly professional killers.''

Erasmus noted, ''Whoever these people are, we intend to get them.''

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ROME (SEPT. 15) UPI - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker warned Saturday the international attempt to solve the Gulf crisis by diplomatic and political means must not give Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein the illusion he can avoid the U.N. order to withdraw from Kuwait.

In a 90-minute meeting with Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, Baker also said the next six weeks will be ''crucial'' for the solution of the crisis caused by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, its tiny, oil- rich neighbor.

Baker, on the penultimate leg of his tour of European capitals to drum up

support for the U.S. action in the Gulf, spent the morning in talks with Andreotti and Italian President Francesco Cossiga before flying on to Bonn in the afternoon.

Immediately after his arrival in Rome from Damascus, Syria late Friday Baker had similar talks with Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis at Rome's Ciampino military airport before De Michelis left for a long- scheduled visit to Moscow.

There was no news conference after Baker's meeting with Andreotti, which was also attended by Italian Defense Minister Virginio Rognoni. But a spokesman for the prime minister briefed reporters on their talk.

He said Baker told Andreotti the United States intends to persevere with ''diplomatic, peaceful and political'' means to end the Gulf crisis. But this must not give Saddam Hussein the illusion that a solution may be achieved without the full application of the U.N. Security Council resolutions, Baker said.

Andreotti's spokesman said there was a ''total identity of views'' between the United States and Italy on the need to make the U.N. embargo on Iraq ''impenetrable.''

The Italian prime minister proposed that to enforce full application of the embargo sanctions should be imposed against countries which break it.

Andreotti said it was ''intolerable'' that such a threatening military force as that of Saddam Hussein should be allowed to remain in the Middle East. He suggested that once the crisis is solved ''a system of military security'' should be installed in the area.

He also said the United States and Europe ''must tackle the problem of the very serious lacerations and divisions which the Middle East has been living through in recent decades.''

Baker thanked Italy for its efforts in the Mediterranean area and asked Andreotti to use Italy's influence to make it clear to Arab countries that once the crisis is settled the United States ''has no intention of remaining in the area.''

He also expressed appreciation for Italy's decision, announced Friday, to send eight Tornado fighter-bombers and another frigate to the Gulf to join two Italian frigates sent there last month.

''We understand that this decision was difficult, and for this we appreciate it all the more,'' Baker said. ''What you have done is important and determining.''

Baker and Andreotti also discussed the violation by Iraqi troops of the French

Canadian and Dutch embassy residences in Kuwait which they termed ''a real aggression'' and agreed to keep in close contact on developments.

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SAN DIEGO, CA (SEPT. 15) UPI - A home-made bomb exploded outside the Federal Building downtown early Saturday, shattering a large glass window but causing no injuries or other damage, authorities said.

The blast went off in front of the Federal Building at 900 Front St. about 12:45 a.m., San Diego Police Officer James Greer said.

''Early indications are that it was some kind of improvised home-made bomb,'' Sgt. Chuck Peck said.

The bomb was placed inside a 4-foot diameter tube that is part of an artwork in front of the building. The impact of the blast blew out a 30-foot-by-15-foot glass window on the front of the building, Greer said.

''It scattered the glass and fragments all over the front of the building,'' he said.

Police closed a two-block perimeter around the building and sent in bomb-sniffing dogs to check for any additional explosive devices. No other bombs were found.

Witnesses who heard the blast said they saw several men running from the scene after the explosion.

No injuries were reported.

''No one is claiming responsiblity and we have no motive,'' Greer said.

The artwork in front of the building was undamaged by the blast, Greer said.

''It's a pretty tough art structure,'' he said.

Officers said the tube apparently acted like a cannon, funneling the force of the blast toward the building where it blew out the window.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation, the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and the San Diego Police Department's Metro-Arson Strike Team (MAST) were investigating the bombing.

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(SEPT. 14) UPI - Across the nation, voters are beginning to tell their lawmakers, ''Take this job, but don't stay too long.''

Oklahoma voters Tuesday will be the first in the nation to vote to limit the number of years their state legislators can serve.

In November, voters in both California and Colorado will follow suit. Coloradans also will be asked to limit the terms of their U.S. senators and representatives.

Additionally, citizen groups in at least 15 other states are talking about putting term-limit plans on the ballot.

''We have certainly noticed more activity in the last year on this issue than in the past,'' said Nancy Rhyme, a policy specialist for the National Conference of State Legislatures in Denver.

''There's a feeling that making legislators full-time (politicians) is just too much of a boondoggle.''

Recent polls show that voters are more than 2-to-1 in favor of limiting congressional tenure by law but, not surprisingly, members of Congress generally oppose term limits. Legislation to limit Senate and House terms to 12 years didn't even make it out of its first committee this year.

With legislation in various statehouses not faring much better, citizens are now taking it upon themselves to get term limits passed through the initiative process.

There is no organized opposition to the plans in Oklahoma and Colorado, and both are expected to pass, although the Colorado plan to limit congressional terms would likely face a court challenge.

However, in California, where legislators are full-time, many are risking reprisal from their constituents to openly fight the two November ballot initiatives that could take away their livelihoods in a few years.

One of the plans is more severe than any proposed to date. Sponsored by conservative Los Angeles County Supervisor Pete Schabarum, it would prohibit Assembly members from serving more than a total of six years in office and state senators and statewide officers, including the governor, no more than a total of eight years. While more than half the states already limit their governors' terms, California does not.

California's flamboyant Assembly speaker, Democrat Willie Brown of San Francisco, held a $1,000-per-person gala fund-raiser at a posh Beverly Hills hotel last week to kick off what is expected to be a multi-million effort by legislators to defeat the two ballot plans.

One of Brown's main arguments is a common theme against term limits: that a house full of inexperienced lawmakers invites greater control from big-money, special-interest lobbyists.

''The sleazy, cold-blooded special interests are going to see an opportunity and they're going to be supporting (the) Schabarum (initiative) because, believe me, they will dominate,'' Brown has said.

But others argue that limiting terms would allow legislators to better serve their constituencies because, rather than being concerned with re-election, they would be able to make the necessary hard choices on controversial issues.

One of Schabarum's political advisers is Lyn Nofziger, the former Reagan White House political director who was convicted of illegal lobbying but then got his conviction overturned.

''I think there's a groundswell of opinion saying, 'Let's just get people out of here,''' Nofziger said.

''California's been a bellwether state, and if one of these things wins in California, then I think it will win in other states, too,'' he said.

The latest California Poll, released Sept. 6, shows that about two- thirds of the voters approve the plans, with slightly more favoring the more lenient one which would limit legislators to 12 consecutive years in office.

But Rep. Joel Hefley, R-Colo., says that to restrict the rights of people to vote for whomever they chose is ''un-American.''

The Colorado plan, backed by state Sen. Terry Considine and Coloradans Back in Charge, would limit legislators and statewide officers to eight consecutive years, and members of Congress to 12 consecutive years.

The Oklahoma plan, sponsored by oil fortune heir Lloyd Noble II, would prohibit legislators from serving more than a total of 12 years in either house.

Arizona residents failed to qualify two term-limit plans for their ballot by a July 5 deadline.

Contrary to popular perception, a National Conference of State Legislatures study shows that from 1977 to 1989 there was a fair amount of turnover in state legislatures and Congress, even without term limits.

The U.S. Senate had a 53 percent turnover, and the House, 62 percent. Oklahoma's Senate had an 85 percent turnover and the state House, 93 percent. The Colorado Senate had a 77 percent turnover rate, and its House, 95 percent.

And, California's Senate experienced a 67 percent turnover, and its Assembly, 88 percent.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 15) UPI - President Bush signed into law Saturday a bill keeping the strategic petroleum reserve in operation for four more years and broadening his discretion to draw on the stockpiled oil to meet the nation's emergency energy needs.

The measure also requires for the first time that a portion of the 15-year-old reserve, now made up entirely of crude oil, be devoted to refined petroleum products such as home heating oil or gasoline.

Bush signed the legislation while at the Camp David presidential retreat in Maryland.

The legislation was enacted the same day the Energy Department's authority under existing law to purchase and store oil for the reserve was due to expire. This authority is extended through September 1994 under the bill.

Maintaining the reserve and expanding the president's ability to use it in times of an energy crisis has taken on greater importance since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2, threatening Western access to Persian Gulf oil.

The changes in the makeup of the reserve and how it functions were inspired in part by the sudden jump in West Coast gasoline prices triggered by the Alaska oil spill in March 1989 and the shortage in home heating oil in the Northeast following a severe cold spell last December.

The new law represents a compromise worked out by House and Senate negotiators this week to ward off a threatened veto and reconcile differing versions of the bill passed by the two chambers months ago.

The bill that emerged cleared the House unanimously Thursday and the Senate by voice vote an hour later.

The strategic petroleum reserve was established in 1975 after the Arab oil embargo to ensure the United States an emergency supply of oil. The reserve now holds about 590 million barrels of crude oil, stored in salt caverns on the Gulf Coast of Louisiana and Texas.

Under current law, the president can order the government to draw on the reserve only in the event of a severe cut-off of imported oil or shortages caused by sabotage or natural disasters. This authority has never been invoked.

The legislation goes further by allowing the president to tap the reserve if a

severe shortage in the domestic supply occurs or is likely for any reason, such as a major spill or large spike in demand. However, such use would be limited to 30 million barrels of oil for up to 60 days.

The original House bill would have allowed the president to draw up to 50 million barrels of oil for up to 90 days in case of a domestic supply disruption.

The White House had threatened to veto the original Senate bill because of a provision to expand the size of the reserve to 1 billion barrels. Congress instead adopted language authorizing such an enlargement after 1996, when the reserve's existing capacity of 750 million barrels is expected to be reached.

Another key feature of the compromise bill is a provision that for the first time would require a portion of the reserve, now made up entirely of crude oil be devoted to refined petroleum products, such as heating oil or gasoline.

But to avert a veto threatened over this issue, storage of refined products will be authorized only as a three-year test program rather than as a permanent part of the petroleum reserve as the House originally intended.

The stockpile of refined products is to make up roughly 10 percent of the overall reserve and is to be ''located on national distribution systems that can meet the needs of those areas that are particularly dependent on foreign products.''

This provision was designed to speed delivery of gasoline or heating oil in the event of a supply shortage, shortening the time it would otherwise take to refine the petroleum before it can be shipped.

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PARIS (SEPT. 15) UPI - President Francois Mitterrand Saturday ordered 4,000 additional French troops to the Persian Gulf and the expulsion of Iraqi diplomats to counter what he denounced as ''a new aggression'' by Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

French government sources said about a dozen Iraqi military attaches and other persons deemed to be ''intelligence agents'' operating in France would be expelled, along with 26 military trainees. In addition, the remaining Iraqi diplomatic personnel will be limited in their movements to Paris.

Mitterrand's action was the strongest Western response so far to Iraqi troops' action Friday in entering the diplomatic compounds of France, Belgium and Canada in occupied Kuwait. The Iraqi soldiers detained five Western diplomats - including an American - who were later released, and three Franch civilians whose whereabouts could not be determined.

The French leader made the announcement following an emergency meeting with eight top Cabinet ministers, saying he saw no sign from Iraq ''that would allow the avoidance of armed conflict.''

The Iraqi Ambassador to France, Abdul Razzak Al-Hachimi, called the measures announced by Mitterrand ''unjustified'' and added, ''The Iraqi government will take reciprocal measures on the diplomatic level.''

Al-Hachimi said that there had been no assault on diplomatic missions in Iraq-occupied Kuwait because Baghdad no longer recognized the annexed nation as an independent state. Iraq had ordered all foreign missions to close and move their personnel to Baghdad.

The new French military contingent destined for Saudi Arabia will add to the current strength of some 9,000 troops and 14 warships deployed as part of the U.S.-led multinational effort in the gulf region.

It includes a regiment of 1,100 men equipped with 48 combat helicopters, an armored regiment equipped with 48 AMX-10 tanks and other vehicles, plus an anti-tank regiment of five companies equipped with anti-tank hardware. The additional troop strength was estimated at 4, 000.

Additionally, 30 Mirage and Jaguar planes capable of use in reconnaissance and combat will be deployed along with an anti-aircraft section equipped with Mistral missiles will be deployed.

Mitterrand suggested that a second aircraft carrier, the Foch, could be placed into service ''to allow us to decide between the Clemenceau and the Foch'' for aircraft support.

During the storming on the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait City Iraqisoldiers rounded up a military attache along with the three civilians, who had sought refuge there. The attache was released several hours later, but the fate of the civilians was not known.

Calling the raid on the Kuwait City ambassador's residence ''a new aggression '' Mitterrand said, ''It calls for a response.''

Mitterrand said France was preparing for a worst-case scenario, saying that in Iraq ''there exists a warlike spirit that seems to poorly measure the risks. We have to be prepared.''

''We don't think this is the end of the escalation.

''One does not see ... a sign from Iraq that would allow the avoidance of armed conflict,'' he said.

He added that he found it ''surprising'' that France was now faced with such a situation after having ''contributed to saving Iraq from defeat'' in its war with Iran.

Mitterrand said his policy would be to continue to enforce the embargo on Iraq and to ensure its success.

In his announcement, Mitterrand also said he would seek a meeting of the U.N. Security Council to determine the ''means of action'' for an air embargo against Iraq and to consider measures against countries and companies breaking the U.N.-sanctioned naval embargo.

He said France would call to the attention of the council ''all cases observed of breaking or failing to observe'' the embargo and seek punishment for ''countries and companies that commit infractions.''

Mitterrand added that French companies that break the embargo would ''pay dearly'' for it.

''From this point on, for France, all customs measures have been taken and we will do what needs to be done so that every one of these companies pay dearly for this failure to respect national unity,'' he said.

European Commission President Jacques Delors said foreign ministers from the 12 European Community states would meet Monday in Brussels and ''will not fail to consider the latest development or to take common measures to reinforce the French action and demonstrate the calm determination of the European Community.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 15) UPI - Defense analysts say the worst-kept secret in Washington is the fact that U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf region are geared to being able to attack and defeat Saddam Hussein if necessary.

They estimate, for instance, that the U.S. deployment in and around Saudi Arabia could hit 225,000. That force coupled with the roughly 100, 000 Saudi, Egyptian, Syrian and other Arab forces will present a formidable power.

The latest estimates suggest the Iraqi president has 173,000 troops in Kuwait, although they are not believed to be his best forces, and that he has 2,200 tanks in Kuwait or in southern Iraq.

The U.S. mission in Saudi Arabia, as outlined by President Bush, is to deter an Iraqi attack and defend Saudi Arabia if necesssary. And if the economic sanctions and diplomatic pressure are insufficient to dislodge Iraq from

Kuwait, the forces would be available if called upon to drive Saddam back into Iraq.

Bill Taylor, a senior analyst at the Center for Strategic and International Studies and a retired Army colonel, said the forces are available for an attack if Bush concludes that one is necessary.

''There is no policy that we are putting units in place for an attack north, but it is very clear to anybody who pays any attention that the chairman of the Joint Chiefs and the secretary of defense are putting that option in place ... so that sometime in the next three weeks or month, by the time we get about 5 1/2 ground division equivalents (and their support troops) on the ground, if the president wants that option, he has it. That's clear,'' said Taylor. A division is usually about 16, 000 soldiers.

At the moment, he said there are enough forces in place to defend Saudi Arabia but ''we don't have near enough in place to attack north to defeat Iraq in Kuwait and certainly not to attack into Iraq with the objective of defeating the Iraqi armed forces.''

But, added Taylor, ''In about a month we'll have enough to attack north.''

At the Institute for Near East Studies analyst Barry Rubin agreed.

''It could be said it's not the best-kept secret in Washington'' that the buildup, while oriented to defend Saudi Arabia, could be used to attack Saddam and his invasion force, he said.

''I don't think there's any doubt that President Bush is retaining an option for liberating Kuwait by military force,'' said Rubin.

Rubin speculated that Bush, once enough forces are in place, might give sanctions and diplomatic efforts several months to work and ''then there is going to be pressure on the president to consider military operations.''

As he left the White House Friday for the Camp David retreat, Bush was asked about the Iraqi actions against embassies in Kuwait and whether that required a U.S. escalation.

''When an escalation is required from me, Saddam Hussein will know it,'' Bush said.

And Defense Secretary Dick Cheney commented on the issue in response to a question from a senator who said it appeared that a U.S. ''offensive mission looks less and less likely to Saddam Hussein.''

''I'd be reluctant to make the judgment that offensive possibility looks remote to Saddam Hussein. Certainly I have not been given instructions to

carry out any offensive actions. But,'' he quickly added, ''it has not been ruled out either.''

The head of armor readiness at the Army armor school at Fort Knox, Ky., Col. Dennis Long, and the school's senior educator, Col. Jerry Thurman, said any long-term action would have to involve the ground troops as opposed to a quick punishing air strike or naval action.

Although the amount of U.S. armor in Saudi Arabia is still being built to the point it could just provide a defensive capabilty, more is on the way and could be used to help reach the three-to-one edge at the assault point that an attacking commander must have to feel confident of a chance at winning.

Tanks, they signaled, could be bunched in attacking formations to drive deep to rear areas where there was little armor protection to disrupt command and control centers and supply lines and ''render his defense into an incoherent operation.'' The tanks would work in concert the infantry and with the attack jets and helicopters to defeat Iraqi forces in an effort to drive them out of Kuwait.

The blunt-spoken Thurman said that ''the key is to make him manuever with major forces with an armor thrust. Once he moves to counter the thrust, that's where you'll see the blue suits (Air Force A-10 attack jets and Army Apache helicopters) kick his ass and force him out.''

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GDANSK, POLAND (SEPT. 15) UPI - Former President Ronald Reagan got a hero's welcome from a crowd of 7,000 people Saturday and a priest friend of Solidarity founder Lech Walesa gave him a saber for helping to ''chop off the head of communism.''

Torrential rain and hail greeted Reagan and Walesa as they prepared to address the crowd in front of the monument to shipyard workers, some 150 feet from the gate of the Gdansk shipyard.

It was in the shipyard that workers triggered the beginning of a historic revolution in 1980 that a decade later led to the toppling of communist regimes throughout the East Bloc.

Reagan, in a beige suit, waited out the downpour by touring the hall where the Solidarity-communist accord was signed on Aug. 31, 1980, legalizing the first independent labor union in the East Bloc.

''You have triggered fast changes in the political map of Central and Eastern Europe,'' he said in an address to the crowd.

''One might say that it was the shipyard that launched a half dozen revolutions,'' he added, in a word play on the famous description of Helen of Troy as the face that launched a thousand ships.

The crowd chanted, ''Thank you, thank you,'' and singing ''Sto Lat'' (May He Live 100 years), sung only in honor of the most popular Polish leaders.

The Rev. Henryk Jankowski, formerly Walesa's parish priest, presented Reagan with a saber during a meeting in the parish house of St. Brigida's Church.

''I am giving you the saber for helping us to chop off the head of communism '' Jankowski told the former U.S. president who earned the respect of Poles for his firm opposition to communism.

Solidarity was suppressed 16 months after it was founded when martial law was imposed on Dec. 13, 1981 by communist Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, now president of Poland and the only remaining representative of the old regime.

Reagan steadfastly supported Solidarity's right to exist in his presidential statements. The communists finally agreed to revive it in 1989 in the historic round-table talks. The union won parliamentary elections on June 4 and and formed a Solidarity-led governemnt on Sept. 12, 1989.

Walesa thanked Reagan for the unyielding support given to Solidarity when it was outlawed.

''Your position and determination were for us a hope and help in the most difficult moments,'' Walesa said, and the crowd responded by chanting Walesa's name.

Walesa recalled that Reagan's determination to tear down the Berlin Wall was strongly assisted by Solidarity.

''Solidarity was chipping off that wall from the East while you were doing it from the West,'' Walesa said.

The union leader assured Reagan that Poland will manage to carry out its bold economic reforms if Washington will back them up.

''We badly need alliance with the United States,'' Walesa said. ''We shall manage (to implement the reforms) if America will support us.''

Reagan left for the Soviet Union from Gdansk. He visited Berlin before his two-day trip to Poland and is later scheduled to meet Pope John Paul II in Rome.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 15) UPI - When sailors aren't working to stave off Iraqi aggression in the Persian Gulf, they're looking for ways to stave off boredom.

But stranded on aircraft carriers, submarines and other ships, they have a limited choice in recreational activities. So when they're not hitting the decks, some 100 to 200 sailors and officers in the gulf are hitting the books to earn college credits.

''We think it's terrific. Even though they're on war-alert, there still is free time and time to grow intellectually and time to actually proceed with their education, while technically cut off from campuses,'' said Mara Mayor, director of the Annenberg-CPB Project, a joint effort of the Annenberg Foundation and Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

The Annenberg-CPB program, the most widely used program of its type, provides off-campus independent study college courses through videos, textbooks, study guides and computers. The computers are used for ''homework'' assignments, to receive feedback from professors and for quizzes.

Several different telecourse programs are used by servicemen in all military branches around the world. But currently in the gulf, only the Navy is offering telecourses - in this case, Annenberg-CPB courses - with the Navy picking up the tuition tab.

But the Defense Department is exploring the logistics of providing telecourses to ground troops in Saudi Arabia.

''American men can't take out Saudi Arabian women and (American) women can't go out on their own,'' said Roger Goldberg of the Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support program in Pensacola, Fla. ''So there are a lot of folks interested in pursuing their education.''

Military personnel earn college credit from the particular university sponsoring the course. The universities include George Washington University, the University of Oklahoma and Coastline College in Fountain Valley, Calif.

Course offerings include psychology, economics, computer science, English, physics and the environment. A student can take longer than the usual semester to complete a course if military activities interrupt study time.

''This will only work if the student is really committed. Students who complete the course have to be pretty motivated,'' said Michael Bradley, associate professor of economics at George Washington University.

The Annenberg-CPB program has been offered to Navy personnel since 1987, and completion rates are running at about 80 percent, comparable to on-campus rates. Three years ago, however, completion rates were much lower because it

had been Navy policy to encourage anyone with a high school diploma or GED equivalency certificate to take the courses.

''Now, with the screening we do (tests similar to Scholastic Achievement Tests), completion is about 80 percent,'' said Bruce Wilburn of Middlesex Research Center in Bethesda, Md., a defense contractor acting as the liaison between the Defense Department and the participating universities.

Bradley said the success rate varies from ship to ship, but he has observed that the brighter, more motivated students are aboard submarines.

''I would compare them very favorably with the GW students (on campus),'' he said.

Overall, though, Bradley has been ''pleasantly surprised. On average, they have done better than I expected,'' he said.

Wilburn said the average grade for Annenberg students is C+.

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EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 15) UPI - The targeted tank blithely sat in the crosshairs of an armor-piercing projectile, its crew unaware that the dark night offers no shelter from the U.S. military's endless electronic day.

''This is more fun than a video game,'' said gunner John Posey of Springfield, Ore., deftly flicking banks of dust-covered switches to test-activate the TOW missile inside his Bradley fighting vehicle. ''You have all this power around you.''

Before being deployed in Saudi Arabia against Iraq, Posey and his three other crew mates more than mastered the intricate art of killing with armor.

They were the second team to ever score a perfect 1,000 during a gunnery competition for the 24th Mechanized Division (Infantry).

Instead of textbook tricks, they rely on intuitive tactics to evade destruction, such as circling back into self-generated smoke cover to elude a predator.

And they are virtually integrated with the armored carrier's bevy of sophisticated equipment, including the TV57 thermal sight that can reveal nocturnal opponents 2 miles away.

But after years of sweat, effort and devotion, none of them really know how the vehicle performs, for the Bradley, like most items in Washington's arsenal has never been used in a sustained war.

''I think some of the itchiness of the situation is that most of the state-of-the-art weaponry has never been tested,'' said Sgt. Scott de Groot, 32, the vehicle's commander from Green Bay, Wis., pondering as he looked out into the Arabian night.

Washington has pulled out all stops to counter Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, shipping its largest, meanest, costliest and latest weapons to the Persian Gulf.

Arms manufacturers, who are no longer hearing the distressing phrase ''peace dividend,'' will most certainly be watching with great interest if the United States becomes enmeshed in its first large-scale confict since Vietnam.

Virtually all the weaponry is new or upgraded.

Some are particularly fresh and never been seen outside the United States.

Latest aircraft include the F-17 Stealth fighter and the Apache tank- killer gunship, but there are also new versions of the F-15 fighter, the AV8B Harrier.

The skies could also be filled with the latest missiles - the Patriot anti-air the Hellfire anti-armor, the radar detecting HARM and a similarly capable advanced version of the SHRIKE, which would be fired at command and control centers.

Ground projectiles include the laser-guided copperhead artillery shells, which cost $34,000 each, an upgraded TOW anti-tank missile, and the Multiple Launch Rocket System, which in itself is a tribute to the enormous expertise and thought that goes into weaponry.

One MLRS missile casts 660 fist-sized bomblets over the area of a football field.

The bombs fall about 5 feet apart and can blast through 4 inches of steel. A properly targeted missile can swat out throusands of men, perhaps scores of vehicles.

One 12-rocket battery with its three crew has the same firepower as an entire battalion of 24 155-mm self-propelled guns with some 500 personnel.

Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, commander of all U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf, said the Pentagon was using capabilities ''far more lethal, far more accurate'' than ever before seen.

But despite the endless tests and known specifications of the world's most powerful military, only a war can provide ''friction.''

What Prussian strategist Clausewitz called the ''fog'' of war is really the cumulative impact of conflict. Battles invariably drift into chaos and all the little facets of military order are usually weakened.

Friction, for instance, could bring a multi-million dollar vehicle screeching to a halt because a combination of many stresses exacerbated an undetected design fault in a vital part.

Military planners plot ways of minimizing forseeable friction, and the remedies are usually prosaic, basically by putting great stress on protecting the logistics chain of fuel, parts and munitions.

Although the Pentagon is planning to counter Iraq's greater numbers with airpower and superior technology, and has extraordinary battlefield command and control devices, the battle will still only be won by soldiers advancing and holding ground.

The vital weapon will be the M1 tank, the 60-ton battleship of the desert which by all criteria, has no rival.

But the M1's superior equipment, such as laser sights, an onboard computer and a stabilized gun that ensure great accuracy, also present plenty of openings for friction.

As many as 10 support vehicles can be required for each M1. For terminal maintainence, complete electronics and hydraulics repair shops will have to be created in the desert.

The gas turbine engine involves magnificent technology, but also in hot conditions can suck up to 8 gallons of fuel per mile, and will demand an extensive refueling charter across vast tracts of desert.

There is no easy way of trimming this lengthy tail that allows the dog to bite.

However, if the technology fails and all is going askew, friction will only be cooled by capable and dedicated soldiers.

''I think its going to work,'' said Sgt. Greg Miller, 24, a TOW- missile squad commander from Greenville, S.C, who like Posey, will survive only by close teamwork. ''We have got doctrines, but we Americans are brought up to lead. If I get killed, either one of these three guys can do my job.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 15) UPI - The diplomat who is favored to become the next secretary-general of the Arab League describes the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait as the worst kind of wound to the Arab world - ''self-inflicted.''

Mohammed Hassan al-Zayed, 75, a former Egyptian foreign minister and envoy to the United Nations, is expected to replace Chedli Klibi, who resigned last week as secretary-general when a majority of the badly divided Arab League voted to move its headquarters to Cairo from Tunis.

The league found itself in turmoil since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, an act condemned by the league, which was unable to decide what action to take as a result of the aggression by one member state against another.

Zayed, speaking to a small group of diplomats and a journalist last week, said ''The invasion was a deep wound to the Arab world, the worst kind - self-inflicted. We have done to ourselves what our adversaries would liked to have done to us.''

Zayed believes that the Arab world, ''stretching from Gibraltar to Oman, with great potential underground and a great potential in its people over the ground,'' can recover from the wound, but he described the Iraqi aggression as setting back Arab political cohesion for decades.

Some of the anguish felt in the Arab political leadership was evident in the letter of resignation of Clovis Maksoud, longtime Arab League envoy to the United States and to the United Nations.

Maksoud wrote, ''Pan-Arab ties have been overcome by narrow parochial or sectarian interests, shattering many of our hopes and threatening our legitimate national causes. Faced with this frightening breakdown, we are naturally plunged into deep pain and agony. I confess that I have never before felt such a strong sense of anguish.''

Zayed described the Arab dilemma in stark terms when he said that the Iraqi invasion was condemned almost unanimously throughout the Arab world. But the breakdown comes, he said, in the next question: ''Can we interfere in another country's affairs to correct the wrong? There, too, the answer is no.''

Paralyzed by that refusal to intervene, he said, the Arab League was thrown back 50 years to its very beginnings. Asked if the organization will survive, he said, ''That is a good question,'' but he gave no firmer reply. He added that one beneficial result of the Iraqi invasion will be a re-examination of the Arab way of practicing politics.

''One of the things that is wrong was that there are no checks-and- balances in the Arab world, no brakes on the leadership. Such an invasion could not have been launched by a democratic country.''

Partly as a result of the upheaval of the Iraqi invasion, Zayed said, ''There is a new order in the Arab world, and that new order may be able to bring some solutions.''

That new order, as Zayed and other Arab diplomats describe it, involves a new awakening of what some called ''the Third Force,'' a coherent, popular political feeling that will supply a balance to the unchallenged power of the United States in the era of the post-Cold War.

The idea of a Third Force has been around since 1955, but as Maksoud and others describe it Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has given it new life as the Arab world sees how their past rules have not worked.

The new Arab world, as Zayed put it, ''will permit interference in other country's affairs by means of education and learning. Sending a Kuwaiti to Harvard to learn about democracy is a form of external interference, but it's the kind we want.''

That is the view for the long term.

The shorter term, after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, was expressed poignantly by Maksoud: ''Now the Arab house has fallen on itself. ... Unable to rationalize or analyze these developments, I am no longer able to cope with them.''

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - When the 1987 season ended, the Washington Redskins had two Super Bowl championships and were running neck-and-neck with the San Francisco 49ers for the right to be called the ''Team of the 1980s.''

You know how that race came out. The 49ers won the last two Super Bowls of the decade, while Washington failed to make the playoffs those seasons. But the Redskins' two Super Bowls, three NFC titles and 97-55 record were still second in the '80s to San Francisco's four Super Bowls and 104-47-1 mark.

The two best teams of the last decade square off Sunday when the Redskins become the first visiting team to invade Candlestick Park during the 1990 season.

Both teams won last week, but San Francisco received a scare while opening its quest for a third straight Super Bowl title with a 13-12 victory over New Orleans Monday night. The 49ers needed a 38-yard Mike Cofer field goal with nine seconds left, set up by a 60-yard drive engineered by Joe Montana, to win despite a poor offensive showing.

''We made a lot of mistakes,'' Montana admitted after completing 26 of 43 for 184 yards and was sacked six times. ''I know I didn't play worth a damn.''

San Francisco Coach George Seifert admitted he was happy to put the Saints' game behind.

''You'd better have fun with the wins when you get them - no matter how you get them - and then go to work the next week on the problems,'' Seifert said.

The Redskins opened the season by belting Phoenix 31-0 at home for their sixth consecutive victory dating to last season. The 49ers have won nine straight, counting the postseason.

Washington Coach Joe Gibbs hopes the 49ers' short week of preparation gives his team a boost.

''We did catch a little bit of a break, with the scheduling of our game with San Francisco because they had to play (Monday) night in New Orleans,'' Gibbs said. ''We got an extra day to kind of heal up and an extra day to get started with our preparations.''

At Miami, Coach Don Shula tries for his 200th regular-season victory with the Dolphins Sunday against Buffalo. Shula, the NFL's winningest active coach with 286 victories in 28 seasons with Miami and Baltimore, faces one of the few coaches he has a losing record against.

Marv Levy is 6-2 against Shula, making him among 12 of 108 coaches with a winning edge over Shula. The Dolphins have a 199-96-2 regular- season record under Shula since 1970.

AFC Central rivals Houston and Pittsburgh play in the Sunday night game at Pittsburgh. The Oilers and Steelers are both struggling with new offensive systems after making the playoffs last year.

The Steelers lost 13-3 at Cleveland last week, and the Oilers were crushed 47-27 by former coach Jerry Glanville and his Atlanta Falcons last week. Houston's loss came in the first game under Coach Jack Pardee and his run-and-shoot offense.

''I know the run-and-shoot can be effective in the NFL,'' said Pardee, who used it to set 100 NCAA records when he was the coach at the University of Houston. ''I believe any system will work as long as it's half sound and you have the players.''

Glanville's Falcons beat up on his previous team last week. This week, he returns to his native Detroit to face the Lions. Glanville was the Lions' special teams coach from 1974-76.

Detroit was a disappointing 38-21 home loser to Tampa Bay last week. The Lions may have lost the momentum gained by winning their final five games last season.

''It's hard to build a championship program in two years and we're in the

second year of our program,'' Detroit Coach Wayne Fontes cautioned.

In other games Sunday, it's Chicago at Green Bay, the Los Angeles Rams at Tampa Bay, New Orleans at Minnesota, the New York Giants at Dallas, Phoenix at Philadelphia, Cincinnati at San Diego, Cleveland at the New York Jets, the Los Angeles Raiders at Seattle, and New England at Indianapolis. Kansas City visits Denver Monday night.

At Green Bay, Wisc., the Packers and Bears meet for the 140th time. Chicago holds a 75-57-6 edge but Green Bay swept last year's season series. The Packers defeated the Rams 38-24 last week behind quarterback Anthony Dilweg's three touchdown passes in place of Don Majkowski. Dilweg will start again ahead of Majkowski Sunday.

At Irving, Texas, the Cowboys are coming off their first home victory since 1988 after snapping a 14-game home losing streak with a 17-14 victory over San Diego last week. First-round draft pick Emmitt Smith, who signed five days before the opener, will make his first start Sunday against the defending NFC East champion Giants.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 15) UPI - A long-standing business dispute apparently led four men to kidnap an acquaintance, cover his naked body with feathers, torture him and then lock him in a cage with vicious dogs, police said Saturday.

The victim, Ronald Henry, 23, of Simi Valley, managed to escape from his captors after his three-hour ordeal Friday and was sighted by a passerby, screaming as he ran naked and feathered along a Sepulveda-area street.

Sgt. George Thomas said Henry had his hair cut off, his eyebrows shaved and had been rubbed with glue and smeared with feathers. His body bore numerous burn marks where someone had taken an electronic stun gun to his body.

''This is one of the more bizarre cases I've seen,'' said Thomas, a 17-year police veteran.

The victim told police that he had been kidnapped about 3 p.m. by the owner of a home where he was doing glass work.

Henry told police that he had been tortured by the owner and some of his friends and put handcuffed into a cage with six vicious dogs before he escaped. The man said his captors were in the process of heating tar to pour over him when he escaped.

''He was pretty shaken. He had burn marks over his entire body including the

genital area,'' Thomas said.

Henry was treated at Northridge Hospital Medical Center and released.

After he was escaped, Henry led officers to the house where four suspects were arrested.

Thomas said the outcome could have been worse if Henry hadn't escaped.

''They told him they were going to take him out to the desert and leave him there for dead for the animals to eat,'' Thomas said. ''I have no doubt they meant to do it.''

Arrested were the owner of the house, Jeffrey Shephard, 29, and three other people identified as Feliz McAlpine, 61, of Sepulveda, James Marley, 25, of Simi Valley and David Lowen, 23, of Northridge. A fifth person was questioned by detectives and later released.

The four suspects were booked on suspicion of kidnapping, detective Robert Muldrew said.

The victim and the suspects all knew each other. Thomas said Shephard told police that he and the victim had been involved in a long-standing business dispute over money

Inside the home, police found a 5-foot alligator, a 3-foot frozen alligator, a rattlesnake and two scorpions. Outside home on the half- acre property officers found at least five dogs police described as vicious.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 15) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis is providing ammunition for backers of the Philadelphia Navy Yard in their fight to keep open the shipyard,targeted for shutdown by the Defense Department.

''You never look for something like this when you're in a fight like we are, but it certainly does help the shipyard,'' said Anthony Green, a spokesman for Rep. Thomas Foglietta, D-Pa.

Foglietta, whose district includes the Navy complex along the Delaware River, has been leading the fight to keep the facility open.

Green said Operation Desert Shield shows the importance of the yard's role in refitting conventionally-powered aircraft carriers.

''The Gulf crisis demonstrates clearly the need for a full force of aircraft carriers,'' Green said. ''We've been saying that all along, and unfortunately

the Persian Gulf crisis illustrates what we've been saying most vividly.''

Two of the aircraft carriers in the Gulf - the Saratoga and Independence - were refit at the Philadelphia complex in two-year overhauls.

''Even without a Gulf crisis, it's important that we have a full force of aircraft carriers, and we have been making that argument to the Defense Department,'' Green said.

The carriers Kitty Hawk and Constellation are now being refitted at the yard.

''The most important consideration when the crisis is over is that there are going to be a lot of tired vessels coming back to the U.S.,'' Green said. ''There is going to be more work than all the shipyards in the U.S. can handle so the shipyard is going to be a very vital part of that effort.''

''One third of all the ships currently in the Gulf have been in the shipyard '' Lt. K.J. Braithwaite, a base spokesman, said. ''With the base closure issue we're trying to show the public we're doing a bang- up job.''

Other ships in the Gulf refit at the Philadelphia base include the helicopter carrier Saipan, the command suppport ship LaSalle and the battleship Wisconsin.

Green said the current military operation aside, backers of the Navy yard hope to convince the Pentagon on purely economic grounds to keep the base open.

A recent impact study indicated that the base closure would eliminate about 18,000 military and civilian jobs with nearly $500 million in annual payroll.

Adding the indirect impact, the study estimates the closure would cost the region nearly 30,000 jobs and $712 million in annual payroll.

Green estimated the total cost of the base closure, including an environmental cleanup and the transfer of some activities to other bases, to be at least $1 billion.

A hearing on that impact study is set this week, and the Pentagon will make a decision on the fate of the base sometime next year.

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - Tensions increased in the Persian Gulf following yesterday's Iraqi raid on the French, Belgian and Canadian diplomatic compounds in Kuwait City. The United States and its NATO allies called the action ''intolerable '' but did NOT say what, if any, action would be taken. A spokesman for the Belgian foreign minister says- ''The Iraqis are just trying to make things difficult for diplomats in Kuwait.''

The United Auto Workers told members at General Motors plants to report for work as usual following a last-minute agreement to extend a strike deadline. Negotiations between the automaker and the union recessed last night after the midnight deadline was extended. Talks on a three-year agreement are scheduled to resume in Detroit this morning. The main sticking point appears to be job security.

Supreme Court nominee David Souter told the Senate Judiciary Committee yesterday he still has NOT decided how he would rule on a challenge to the 1973 decision legalizing abortion. The New Hampshire judge said he would have an open mind if the controversial abortion issue comes before the high court. The hearings resume Monday.

Republican senators are lashing out at Democrats, accusing them of leaking details of the secret budget talks to score political points. Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas yesterday said there's a ''deliberate effort'' to cast the G-O-P as favoring the wealthy in the negotiations. Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine said there have been breaches of confidentiality on both sides.

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela says South African President Frederik de Klerk agrees that ''some hidden hand'' is behind the violence raging in black townships. The A-N-C leader says the South African government realizes some group is trying to sabotage De Klerk's racial reform program. Mandela made the comments yesterday following a meeting with De Klerk.

Representatives of the Salvadoran government and leftist rebels do NOT appear close to agreement, making it UNlikely El Salvador's 10-year civil war will be resolved soon. During their second day of talks in Costa Rica yesterday, neither side would budge from its position. The rebels favor bi-lateral demilitarization, something the government says it will NOT consider.

NASA officials are preparing for another attempt to launch the shuttle Columbia. The countdown toward Tuesday morning's pre-dawn lift- off began early this mornig, following round-the-clock work to repair a hydrogen leak. If this launch attempt fails, NASA may have to put the flight on hold and turn its attention to a high-priority mission set for October.

Someone may get very rich tonight when Florida's winning lottery numbers are drawn. The jackpot has risen to more than 100-Million dollars and officials say they're NOT going to estimate the final size of the prize. Lotto fever pushed yesterday's ticket sales to more than 590 per second. People came from neighboring states and as far away as New York to take a chance on winning big.

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#90258u0607 09/15/1990 ~United Press International
SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 15) UPI - The approximately 200,000 troops confronting Iraq in the Middle East face a serious internal problem because they do not have one commander over all the forces, Rep. Wayne Owens, D-Utah, said Saturday.

''There is no supreme commander'' for the troops, including 140,000 U.S. military personnel, said Owens. ''We need a unified command. Somebody's got to be in charge.''

The Utah Democrat, who just returned from talks with officials in Egypt, Jordan and Syria, said the commanders of the various military forces now meet regularly ''to coordinate their operations. But no one person is in charge.''

He said the Bush administration apparently believes the U.S. commander should be in charge because ''we have the largest force. The idea of giving it up to a U.N. commander is not being seriously considered.''

While Owens believes Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''is totally unpredictable'' and could order an attack on Saudi Arabia or other troops in the region, he does not believe the United States should launch an offensive first.

The trade embargo authorized Aug. 17 by the United Nations must be given a chance to work, said Owens, the Middle East expert on the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

''Let's make the embargo work. I think it will work, at least I hope so. I think we'll see signals of things starting to happen (in Iraq) in the next two to three months. I think America can last that long,'' he said.

If the trade embargo forces Hussein to recall the troops he sent into Kuwait on Aug. 2, or results in a change of government in Iraq, Owens said the united action by virtually all the world's nations could prove there is a means of solving conflicts without wars.

''It is amazing that basically the whole world lined up together on this,'' he said. ''This may provide a model for regional conflict resolutions.''

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#90258u0616 09/15/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 15) UPI - The space agency reports NO problems in the first few hours of the new countdown for the shuttle Columbia. It is to be launched on Tuesday. Columbia's mission is to study ultraviolet light and X-rays from

space.

The brash New York Post appeared today with the headline ''Ain't Over Yet.'' It refers to an agreement to keep the newspaper in business. 10 unions agreed to concessions to save the faltering tabloid 20-Million dollars a year.

The United Auto Workers has extended its strike deadline against General Motors. Negotiations are continuing today on a new contract for 310-thousand workers. The union told G-M workers to stay on the job.

For the second time, ships enforcing U-N sanctions have fired warning shots at an Iraqi ship and boarded it. U-S and Australian ships stopped an Iraqi tanker in the Gulf of Oman yesterday. It was later allowed to sail toward the Persian Gulf.

Rock guitarist Tom Fogerty, who with his brother John formed Creedence Clearwater Revival, has died of tuberculosis. He was 48. The group disbanded in 1972 and Fogerty later worked as a solo artist.

The Soviet Communist Party faces a cash shortage because revenue from membership dues is falling. An official says revenue this year will fall more than one-BILLION dollars. The party may have to dip into an eight-BILLION-dollar reserve fund.

Nelson Mandela says President de Klerk believes South Africa's latest violence is caused by somebody trying to sabotage his race reforms. Mandela met yesterday with de Klerk. He says de Klerk has a plan to end the violence.

Philippines President Corazon Aquino says she wants a new relationship with Washington. Negotiations start next week on U-S bases in the Philippines. There have been suggestions of a new relationship coming from the talks.

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TALLAHASSEE, FL (SEPT. 15) UPI - Florida's megamillion-dollar Lotto frenzy became even more feverish Saturday as last-minute players jammed outlets to buy tickets at a record clip for a jackpot worth at least $100 million.

At noon, sales of the $1 Lotto tickets were running at 566 per second and climbing, lottery officials said. Almost 9 million tickets had been sold since 7 a.m., bringing the week's total to $92.2 million.

Ticket sales for the drawing were to end at 10:30 p.m. - 30 minutes before the drawing that has captured international attention.

The estimated prize for Saturday night's drawing was the second- largest in U.S. history. The biggest is a $115.6 million Pennsylvania jackpot split by 14

winners in April 1989, and officials said there was a slim chance that last-minute purchases could drive Florida's payoff to first on the list.

Lottery officials also said Saturday there was ''a 99-percent likelihood'' that there would be at least one winner, since ticket sales had probably covered all 13.98 million possibilities.

In Florida's Lotto, players pick six numbers between 1 and 49.

Lottery Secretary Rebecca Paul said the final amount of the jackpot would not be known until about noon Sunday, when the lottery's computer will also determine whether there is a winner or winners.

Paul's staff gave up trying to estimate the size of the jackpot Thursday because the volume of sales was escalating faster than they could track it. Also, officials said they wanted to avoid overestimating the final amount.

Sales on Friday and Saturday were exactly what lottery officials and retailers had predicted. About 75 percent of Lotto ticket sales take place on those days in part because many players get paid at the end of the week or buy their tickets while doing weekend grocery shopping.

The jackpot continued to attract large-scale purchases from residents of other states, some of whom were scalping the $1 tickets for $2 to $5 in their home states. Authorities in Colorado, Georgia, New York, Louisiana and Washington, D.C., reported making arrests for illegal sales.

The jackpot for Saturday's drawing built to the $100-million level because there was no winner for four weeks in a row. A jackpot of that magnitude is rare, because interest and participation builds as the top prize rolls over.

Last week, when the jackpot was $55 million, players covered 90 percent of all possible six-digit combinations, lottery officials said.

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CASTEL GANDOLFO, ITALY (SEPT. 15) UPI - Pope John Paul II, meeting with Hungary's new ambassador to the Holy See, Saturday confirmed that he will visit the former communist country in August 1991.

John Paul, resting at the papal summer retreat south of Rome after his 10-day visit to Africa earlier this month, said that his trip will go ahead as ''Catholics in Hungary are re-acquiring the full liberty of action and are ready to assume their role in building a modern and dynamic society.''

The presentation of credentials by Budapest's envoy Sandor Keresztes marked the first time in more than 40 years that Hungary has had an ambassador to the

Vatican.

On Monday, the pope is due to meet with Hungary's Prime Minister Jozsef Antal, currently on a visit to Italy.

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - France says it will expel some Iraqi diplomats from Paris, will limit the movement of others and will send four-thousand more troops to the Persian Gulf. The action is in retaliation for yesterday's Iraqi intrusion on the French diplomatic compound in occupied Kuwait. Iraqi soldiers also entered the Belgian and Canadian compounds.

The countdown clocks are once again moving toward a launch of the shuttle Columbia. The countdown began early this morning in preparation for Tuesday morning's lift-off. It will be NASA's fourth attempt to launch Columbia on a 10-day astronomy mission.

Several prominent abortion rights groups, including Planned Parenthood, say they oppose David Souter's nomination to the Supreme Court because he refuses to state his position on abortion. During Senate Judiciary Committee hearings yesterday, Souter said hasN'T decided how he would rule on the issue.

Florida's lotto fever is expected to rage throughout the day before tonight's jackpot drawing. The jackpot is worth more than 100-Million dollars and lottery officials say they're NOT going to predict how high it could get. The large jackpot prompted two men to fly down from New York and buy 10-thousand dollars worth of tickets.

Doctors at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland, say the four-year-old girl who underwent the first official attempt at gene therapy is doing ''beautifully.'' If the treatment cures the child's rare immune disease, doctors say it may be a ''revolution in medicine.''

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - A researcher in Atlanta says educators must find a way to get youth- oriented health workers interested in the elderly. David Denton of the Southern Regional Education Board says geriatric issues are more important than ever, with the senior population the fastest growing segment of American society.

A judge in Santa Barbara, California, yesterday rejected a brain tumor victim's request to have his head frozen before he dies. Thomas Donaldson wants his head frozen in hopes future doctors will be able to remove the tumor and revive him. Donaldson says he will appeal the state's decision, and will

starve himself to death if he loses.

Authorities in Texas are searching for smugglers who locked 12 Mexicans in a piggyback trailer. Border Patrol agents rescued the Mexicans yesterday near the town of Cotulla. At the time they were found, they were sharing a small breathing hole they had punched through the floor of the trailer.

Pennsylvania state police are warning hikers to stay off the 230-mile Appalachian Trail, following the killing of two hikers. Two other hikers discoverd the victims Thursday night about four miles southwest of Duncannon. Police say they have NO suspects or motives in the killings.

The Los Angeles District Attorney's Office says prosecutors are seeking help from French officials in Tahiti to subpoena Marlon Brando's daughter to testify about the killing of her boyfriend. Her half- brother, Christian Brando, is charged with murder in the slaying. He remains free on two-Million dollars bail.

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OMAHA, NE (SEPT. 15) UPI - Veterans Affairs Secretary Edward Derwinski apologized for using the term ''wetbacks'' in discussing drug trafficking and treatment during a campaign trip for Ally Milder, a Republican congressional candidate.

''I was discussing the difficulty of drug interdiction and the need for more focus on treating drug addiction,'' Derwinski said Friday. ''And in the process, I got so carried away with my subject that the term slipped, and I shouldn't have used it, obviously.''

''Again, I will apologize if I must,'' he told an Omaha television station.

Milder said, ''We're all sorry it happened. It should never have been said.''

The remark was made during a campaign event for Milder. Derwinski's campaign stops Thursday and Friday included those at three Omaha area veterans' clubs.

He also stopped at the Omaha VA Medical Center, where several employees questioned why he had to pull up in a car containing a highly visible Milder campaign poster.

''I guess several of the VA employees questioned why politics should be involved with veterans,'' said a VA supervisor who requested anonymity.

In another controversy, Derwinski has acknowledged he has nicknames for his office staff, calling some of the women ''Little Miss Coffee Maker,'' ''Zsa Zsa,'' ''Miss America'' and ''Lena.'' He said some of them call him the ''Big

Cheese.''

Gail Handleman, a spokeswoman for Rep. Peter Hoagland, D-Neb., Milder's opponent, said she was ''shocked and outraged'' at Derwinski's ''wetback'' remark and his ''callous insensitivity'' toward women.

Derwinski, a former Illinois congressman, is the first secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs since it received Cabinet status.

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#90258u0708 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 15) UPI - France is retaliating for yesterday's raid by Iraqi troops on the French diplomatic compound in Kuwait. French President Francois Mitterrand is sending four-thousand more troops to the region. France already has nine-thousand assigned there. Mitterrand also is expelling some Iraqi diplomats. Iraqi diplomats remaining in France will have to stay inside Paris.

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Mitterrand did NOT say what troops will be sent, but defense sources said earlier a French Foreign Legion regiment in southern France was on alert. The Iraqi troops yesterday removed a French military attache and three civilians from the ambassador's residence. The attache was freed later, but the three civilians have NOT been heard from.

The United Auto Workers are talking, NOT walking, at General Motors. A midnight strike deadline was extended, and negotiations are continuing today in an attempt to get a contract for 310-thousand workers. The union wants a ban on permanent layoffs and an 18-month limit on temporary layoffs in the new three-year contract. G-M's share of the U-S market has been dropping in recent years.

The Senate voted against Michigan's two senators who tried to filibuster against a bill they believe will hurt the auto industry. The bill would require the average car produced by each automaker to get 40 miles a gallon by 2001. Administration officials oppose it. Supporters say the bill would reduce U-S oil consumption by nearly three-Million barrels a day.

South Africa has launched an operation it calls ''Iron Fist'' to halt black-on-black violence. During the night, troops armed with assault rifles put up roadblocks around Johannesburg. The cabinet is expected to approve other phases including curfews and armed patrols. A police commander said South Africa ''shall definitely stop this violence.''

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - Israel is trying to portray a former intelligence agent who has written a book, as a traitor and liar. Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's spokesman denies that Israel knew in advance of the 1983 bombing of U-S Marine headquarters in Beirut that killed 240 Americans. The ex-agent, Victor Ostrovsky, said Israel did NOT notify the United States because it hoped the attack would ruin U-S-Arab relations.

Officials of the Appalachian Trail say hikers should stay off the 230 miles of trail that extend through Pennsylvania. Two hikers were found slain Thursday near Duncannon, Pennsylvania. A coroner calls both deaths homicides, but he says autopsies are needed to determine the cause. The bodies were found in a lean-to which the coroner said was ''in disarray.''

Investigators have taken body tissue samples from Stephen Bates, a jailed suspect in the five Gainesville, Florida, killings. A spokeswoman gave little information. The only other suspect who has been identified is Edward Humphrey. Military personnel and law officers for a second day searched a wooded area near where Humphrey lived.

Federal authorities say four ex-followers of a guru who ran an Oregon commune have been arrested in West Germany, England and South Africa. They are charged with conspiring to kill Charles Turner, the U-S attorney for Oregon. Turner in 1985 investigated guru Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh's commune. Rajneesh pleaded guilty to immigration fraud charges and was deported. He died in January in India.

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - France is sending four-thousand additional troops to the Persian Gulf and expelling some Iraqi diplomats from France to retaliate for Iraqi moves. French President Mitterrand ordered the military moves today in the strongest Western response yet to Iraqi raids of three foreign diplomatic compounds yesterday in Kuwait. The Iraqi troops detained and released five diplomats. However, the whereabouts of three French civilians is NOT known. .

South Africa says it will use an iron fist to stem a wave of urban black violence that has left as many as 750 people dead since early last month. The goverment today announced a military-style operation, with troops throwing up roadblocks across Johannesburg and the hardest-hit townships. Government officials say other measures will likely be implemented next week.

Another countdown is under way at Cape Canaveral. NASA says the countdown began on time early today for the shuttle Columbia's scheduled launch Tuesday on a 10-day astronomy mission. However, the space agency only has a few days to get Columbia off the ground before turning attention to another high-priority shuttle flight in October. And, more trouble is considered likely with the troubled-plagued mission already running three months behind.

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - Michigan is picking up the pieces following tornadoes that swarmed through parts of the state throughout the day yesterday. The twisters severely damaged homes, farms and commercial buildings... as well as knocking down trees and power lines. Elsewhere, showers and thunderstorms formed across much of the Northeast early today... while thunderstorms swamped roadways in Arizona.

A day of bargaining in Detroit. The United Auto Workers union and General Motors resumed negotiations early today after agreeing to extend a deadline for a three-year agreement covering more than 300-thousand workers. Talks are also slated today between the Canadian Auto Workers and Ford, with the C-A-W's 12-thousand-800 Ford workers already setting up picket lines at some plants.

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#90258u0794 09/15/1990 ~United Press International
BOGOTA, Colombia (SEPT. 16) UPI - Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori's decision to refuse U.S. military aid has stalled a key U.S. policy calling for deeper involvement of armed forces in the battle against South American cocaine production.

Colombian President Cesar Gaviria also is looking to ''demilitarize'' his nation's effort against the powerful cocaine cartels. Bolivia, the third country in the South American cocaine triangle, has accepted U.S. dollars in principle but will only use troops as a last resort.

The three nations are the world's major suppliers of hundreds of tons of cocaine manufactured by heavily armed and economically powerful groups, sometimes aided by leftist guerrillas.

The Bush administrations anti-drug policy as set out last year called for involving the military in the battle against the traffickers. The administration won a pledge from the other countries at the anti-drug summit in February in Cartagena, Colombia, to consider deeper military involvement.

U.S. officials have argued the armed might and economic power of the cocaine organizations requires a greater military role to back up police who so far have taken the lead in the drug war.

But the U.S. push has been politically volatile, sparking fears of escalating the level of violence and eventual direct U.S. military involvement leading to a ''South American Vietnam.''

Fujimori, in announcing his decision to turn down the $40 million, criticized

the proposed agreement for limiting the money to the fight against narcotics trafficking and said, ''There are conditions that the armed forces and my office consider inconvenient.''

Peru and Bolivia - major producers of the coca leaf, which is ground up into a paste and made into cocaine - have been especially vocal in pushing the Bush administration instead for a crop substitution program.

Although Colombia, the major cocaine production nation, has received millions of dollars in military aid since the government declared war last year on the cocaine cartels, ''The objective in the long- and medium-term is to demilitarize the narcotics trafficking conflict,'' a top government official said.

''It is more and more a problem for the police and its elite forces and less for the army,'' said the official who asked not to be named.

The Colombian army has scored some significant successes in the drug war but Gaviria, who took office last month, is seeking to reduce the out-of-control violence under which the nation has lived in recent years. He has offered drug traffickers lighter sentences and no extradition to the United States for turning themselves in and confessing.

Instead of military actions, Gaviria has at the top of his agenda winning trade concessions to help the country's economy through the losses suffered in the cocaine war.

U.S. aid for Colombia for fiscal year 1990 was estimated at $88 million, with $50 million destined for the military.

Despite the large percentage of military aid, a senior U.S. official said the United States is not just focusing on the armed side of the conflict but also on issues like rebuilding the judicial system.

''If you measure it in straight dollar terms we look like were militarizing the place - were not,'' said the official.

In Bolivia, President Jaime Paz Zamora ignored strong internal criticizm and acepted the U.S. offer of $32.5 million for use in training and equipping the armed forces for drug operations. but the agreement states the army will be used only in case the police are unable to handle the problem.

Although the aid has not yet been put into use, Foreign Minister Carlos Iturralde said Friday the agreement ''will be completed''.

''Our position is very clear'', he told reporters. ''Certain units of the army will be equipped but the decision of how and when it will be adopted will be made by the president.''

The Bolivian military already is involved in the cocaine battle to some extent. Air force pilots guide U.S -supplied UH-1 Huey helicopters, while the navy patrols the nation's rivers during anti-drug operations.

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - French President Francois Mitterand says his country doesN'T take hostages, but it is restricting the travel of Iraqi diplomats in Paris. Mitterand today also ordered four-thousand additional troops to the Persian Gulf... and says a number of Iraqi envoys will be expelled from Paris. .

The moves are in retaliation for Iraq's storming of the French Embassy in occupied Kuwait. The Iraqi ambassador to France calls the moves ''UNjustified '' saying Iraq did NOT assault any diplomatic missions because annexed Kuwait is NO longer considered an independent nation. He also vows that Baghdad will take reciprocal measures on a diplomatic level. .

U-S Secretary of State James Baker was flying to West Germany today from Italy where he warned against allowing Iraq to think it can avoid a U-N order to withdraw from Kuwait. Baker said the international attempt to solve the Gulf crisis by diplomatic and political means must NOT give Iraq the illusion it can ignore the U-N order.

Helmeted South African troops armed with assault rifles were erecting roadblocks across Johannesburg and surrounding black townships hit hardest by a recent wave of black factional violence. The roadblocks are part of a military-style operation called ''Iron Fist'' designed to stop nearly two months of fighting that has claimed as many as 750 lives.

Negotiations between car manufacturers and unions representing autoworkers are taking place today in Detroit and across the border in Canada. General Motors and the United Auto Workers union resumed talks in Detroit this morning after agreeing to extend the deadline for a pact covering about 310-thousand employees. Ford is negotiating with the Canadian Auto Workers union.

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - A senior military official in Sri Lanka today says Tamil rebels were responsible for silmultaneous attacks on four military installations in the northern part of the country. At least two rebels were killed and 10 others wounded last night in the assaults. Four government soldiers also suffered injuries.

A 30-foot-byfoot glass window in San Diego, California's, downtown Federal Building was shattered early this morning by a home- made bomb. Witnesses who

heard the blast say they saw several men running from the scene. NO one was injured in the bombing for which police say they have NO motive.

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - Defense analysts say it's really NO secret that U-S forces in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf region are geared to being able to attack and defeat Iraqi forces if necessary. The analysts say the option to go on the offensive will be available within a month after Washington gets about five and a half divisions in place on the ground. There are about 16-thousand troops in a division.

President Bush now has expanded powers to draw from the nation's 15- year-old strategic petroleum reserve. Bush today signed into a law a bill that'll keep the reserve in operation for four more years and broaden his discretion for using the stockpiled oil to meet U-S emergency energy needs. The Energy Department's authority to purchase and store oil for the reserve was due to expire today.

Torrential rain and hail greeted former President Reagan today in Gdansk, Poland, as did about seven-thousand people who gave him a hero's welcome. A priest friend of solidarity founder Lech Walesa presented Reagan with a saber for the former U-S leader's help in- quote- ''chopping the head off communism.'' Reagan was a steadfast supporter of the Solidarity movement during his presidency.

The new British Foriegn Office minister in charge of Hong Kong flew to the colony today for his first visit. Lord Caithness told reporters that Hong Kong remained important to Britain although it's slated to revert to Chinese control in 1997. Caithness promised to fight for Hong Kong. London has been accused of NOT working hard enough to protect civil liberties in the territory after 1997.

There's a difference in opinion among Panamanians about the effect of the U-S invasion nine months ago. The opinions range from Panamanians who believe they're experiencing a great new era of civilian rule to those who feel a loss of sovereignty and hurt national pride. Critics say the invasion badly damaged Panama's national dignity.

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - Defense analysts say the worst kept secret in Washington is that U-S forces in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf are geared to being able to attack and defeat Iraqi forces, if necessary. President Bush has said the U-S mission in Saudi Arabia is to deter an Iraqi strike and defend Saudi Arabia. .

Defense Secretary Cheney believes a period of ''potential significant danger'' still lies ahead for the American military in the Persian Gulf. He told senators last week the danger period may come when U-N sanctions ''really begin to bite'' and Iraq may be tempted to ''lash out'' with military force.

French President Mitterrand is kicking some Iraqi diplomats out of France and sending four-thousand more French troops to the Persian Gulf. French sources say about a dozen Iraqi military attaches and other persons deemed to be ''intelligence agents'' operating in France will also be expelled.

President Bush cleared the way for keeping the nation's petroleum reserve in operation for four more years. Bush signed into a law a measure that for the first time requires part of the 15-year-old reserve, now only crude oil, to include refined petroleum products like gasoline and home heating oil.

South Africa's Nelson Mandela says he does NOT support security measures announced today in violence-torn black townships in and around Johannesburg. The African National Congress leader is calling on the government to purge its troops of ''elements'' allegedly instigating the factional fighting.

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PASADENA, CA (SEPT. 16) UPI - NASA's Magellan probe got back to work Saturday, successfully bouncing radar beams off the hidden surface of Venus for the first time since mysterious glitches twice knocked it out of contact with Earth last month.

''We've kicked off radar mapping. We're acquiring data and everything looks good,'' said project manager Tony Spear at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena.

With its electronic brain loaded with protective computer programs, the $551 million spacecraft resumed mapping operations at 9:35 a.m. PDT, gathering priceless radar data about the planet's hidden surface that can be converted into black-and-white photos by scientists on Earth.

A few hours later, the solar-powered spacecraft had beamed back data from its first two orbits, successfully completing critical navigation maneuvers without losing contact with Earth.

It was during such a ''star calibration'' Aug. 16 that Magellan suddenly went into a computer-induced state of hibernation that knocked it out of radio contact with Earth. While contact was restored the next day, it was briefly lost again five days later.

Since then, the spacecraft has been operating in a protective ''safe mode''

while engineers struggled to figure out what had gone wrong.

The cause of the trouble remains a mystery, but Magellan project engineers decided to resume mapping operations Saturday after loading the probe's master computer with programs to make it easier to restore contact should communications be interrupted again.

''They started mapping this morning at 9:35 a.m. PDT,'' said James Doyle, a spokesman for the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. ''That's the beginning of the 243-day mapping mission.''

But Doyle said more problems are possible ''since they don't know what caused the original loss of signal.'' Even so, he said, engineers are ''very hopeful if something does happen they can get contact back very swiftly.''

Magellan, launched May 4, 1989, from the space shuttle Atlantis, dropped into orbit around Venus Aug. 10.

The goal of the unprecedented mission is to map more than 90 percent of Venus's hellish surface using a cloud-piercing radar system. By subjecting the radar data to intensive computer processing on Earth, scientists can generate photo-like images showing surface features as small as a football field - 10 times better than any previous effort.

The probe's 243-day mapping mission originally was scheduled to begin around Sept. 1.

But on Aug. 16, after just one-and-a-half orbits of data gathering, the spacecraft suddenly lost contact with Earth after a mysterious event of some sort prompted its master computer to put the probe into an electronic state of hibernation.

Contact was regained the following day and then lost again shortly thereafter. Radio communications later were restored and since then, engineers have been struggling to figure out what knocked the spacecraft out of action.

Preliminary results indicate three apparently unrelated problems contributed to triggering various levels of protective hibernation called ''safe modes.''

The problems began shortly after Magellan attempted to find and lock onto a guide star. Such ''star calibrations'' are part of a routine procedure to update on-board computers about the spacecraft's orientation in space.

The safe mode programs apparently were activated when the computer that controls the spacecraft's attitude suddenly stopped sending routine timing signals, called ''heartbeats,'' to Magellan's master computer.

Despite a month of intense analysis, the cause of the original computer

problem remains a mystery.

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#90258u1086 09/15/1990 ~United Press International
DETROIT (SEPT. 16) UPI - Bargainers for the United Auto Workers union and General Motors Corp. appeared to be grappling with key issues like job security late Saturday as talks edged into the evening hours for a new contract covering about 310,000 active and indefinitely idled workers at the giant carmaker.

Meanwhile, in Canada, bargainers for the Canadian Auto Workers and Ford Motor Co. of Canada broke off talks concerning the major issue of wages, pensions and benefits that caused about 12,800 CAW workers to start picketing plants shortly after midnight Friday.

''We are done for the day,'' Ford Canada spokesman Jim Hartford said Saturday evening, adding that talks would resume early Sunday morning.

He would not comment on the progress of the talks, but CAW President Robert White said early Saturday the two sides were ''still some ways apart.''

The strike by the Ford Canada workers was expected to spread quickly, and could affect Ford's U.S. operations within 10 days because Canadian factories supply American plants. Ford's Windsor, Ontario, engine plant, for instance, is the only source of V6 engines for many Ford car lines assembled in the United States, including the Taurus, Sable and Lincoln Continental models.

In the United States, the current GM-UAW contract was extended on an indefinite basis shortly before the Friday midnight EDT expiration upon mutual agreement between GM and the UAW, indicating both sides were not ready to accept a strike.

''We are continuing our efforts to reach a settlement,'' UAW President Owen Bieber said. GM, in a tersely worded statement, said ''meaningful progress has been made'' in the talks, and that ''an agreement will be reached.''

The union urged GM workers to report to work as scheduled until further notice. But all domestic GM facilities are closed Sunday, giving bargainers additional time to reach an agreement before production starts Monday.

There is the possibility that there could be selected walkouts at GM facilities by Monday if an agreement is not reached. GM was hit by scattered walkouts in 1984 during a two-week period in which about 25 facilities were affected.

A meeting of the UAW's 400-member GM Bargaining Council was set for Monday in Detroit, and it was believed union bargainers were aiming to have a tentative

agreement in hand by then. Both the council and the UAW's executive board must approve any pact before it is voted on by workers.

Strengthening the language on job security, partly by seeking tighter restrictions on plant closings, has been at the top of the union's agenda during the talks, which began in mid-July for contracts covering about 500,000 U.S. auto workers at the nation's Big Three automakers.

The UAW is hoping any agreement reached at GM will be used as a pattern at rival carmakers Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp.

It is expected that union local leaders at the council meeting will closely scrutinize any tentative agreement because the current 1987-90 pact allowed GM to lop 45,000 jobs from its payrolls by calling numerous plants ''indefinitely idled'' instead of closed, skirting what was thought to be a moratorium on all plant closings.

Indications are that differences remain over the key issue of job security, particularly the fate of GM's 30,000 workers now on indefinite layoff.

GM has been seeking to reduce its work force through attrition and buyouts, but industry analysts say the top carmaker must close more assembly plants and cut employment by as much as 60,000 workers within the next three years.

The union had asked GM to ban permanent layoffs and limit temporary layoffs to no longer than 18 months over the life of the 1990-93 contract. That is similar to an agreement it reached with J.I. Case, a Wisconsin farm equipment maker.

Reportedly settled was the issue of sourcing, or having work performed by GM employees instead of outside companies, possibly non- union firms.

There also was said to be agreement on a new policy on absenteeism, which provides for disciplinary action against workers who have more than 16 unexcused absences per year.

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MONTREAL (SEPT. 16) UPI - Canadian army troops Saturday tightened their grip on a handful of besieged Mohawks by cutting the reserve's cellular telephone contact with the outside world, officials said.

Canadian Armed Forces spokesman Capt. Marc Rouleau said the shutdown also affected the journalists who are with armed Mohawks at a detox center at the Kanesatake reserve south of Montreal.

Rouleau said the phone lines were cut ''to put the focus on direct

negotiations between the (Mohawk) Warriors and the army.''

The army won a court order forcing Bell Canada to shut down cellular phones lines. On Thursday, regular phone lines to the reserve were cut.

The Mohawk's only line of communication is via a ''hot line'' that links them directly to the army, Rouleau said. He refused to say if the Mohawks were using the line.

Rouleau said army officials hoped journalists would take the army's advice and leave the area.

''Our operation is a delicate one and a dangerous one and it has become important that journalists not be within the perimeter,'' Rouleau said.

On Friday, the Mohawks released a tape recording they made of a conversation between a Mohawk leader and Quebec Indian Affairs minister John Ciaccia, in which Ciaccia suggests that once the media is gone the army could help the Mohawks leave the reserve under cover of darkness, thus ending the seige while saving Mohawk pride.

Meanwhile, Quebec police say they will turn back a 13-car convoy of American Indians headed to the reserve from Detroit. The convoy left Detroit early Friday, with members determined to show support for the besieged Mohawks.

Convoy organizers were originally hoping hundreds of cars would make the trip to the Kanesatake reservation. They said would-be members stayed away fearing harassment at the Canadian border in Windsor.

Convoy organizers told members not to bring weapons or alcohol into Canada and to obey all laws.

On Monday, the Canadian government said there would be no amnesty for Mohawk Indians suspected of crimes in the eight-week standoff in Quebec between Indians and the Canadian Armed Forces.

The standoff began July 11 when Quebec police stormed a barricade set up around disputed land that Mohawks claimed was an ancient burial ground. A police officer was killed in the action.

Days later, sympathetic Mohawks at the Kahnawake reserve threw up barricades across major highways and the Mercier Bridge, linking the town of Chateauguay to downtown Montreal. The bridge was finally reopened a week ago after Mohawks and the Canadian army agreed to jointly dismantle the barricades.

The standoff has continued, however, at the Kanesatake reserve, where several hundred soldiers have surrounded a drug treatment center, the last stand for militant Warriors as well as a handful of women and children.

Last Saturday, one of the Warriors was severely beaten by soldiers who were conducting reconnaissance behind the Mohawk lines, the Mohawks said. He was hospitalized in Montreal.

The dispute between Mohawks and the Canadian government has been complicated by contradictory statements and positions put forth by various factions of the Mohawk nation, some supporting the Warriors Society and others opposed to any show of militancy.

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WEST HOLLYWOOD, Calif. (SEPT. 15) UPI - A briefcase carrying $100,000 was stolen Saturday from the business manager for the singing group New Kids On The Block as he and the group prepared to check out of their hotel, authorities said.

James Rossi, 25, and members of the singing group were checking out of the Bel Age Hotel in West Hollywood around 11 a.m. when the theft occurred, Sgt. Bob Olmsted said.

Rossi set the briefcase down by his side when he went to the hotel's front desk.

''He set it on the floor only to find it was missing two minutes later,'' Olmsted said.

Olmsted said the case contained $100,000 in cash. It was not immediately known why Rossi was carrying such a large amount of cash.

At the time of the theft, the lobby was crowded with fans of the group, which performed Friday night at Dodger Stadium.

There were no suspects in custody.

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(SEPT. 15) UPI - The Pentagon says one American solider was killed and another injured in a traffic accident in eastern Saudi Arabia. Officials identify the soldier killed as Lieutenant Tommy Bates of Coventry, Rhode Island. The name of the other solider, who is in critical condition, has NOT been released. .

U-S Secretary of State Baker won a pledge from West Germany today to provide more money to the multi-national military stand against Iraq in the Persian Gulf. Baker says the promised contribution of nearly two- BILLION dollars was

substantially more than the figure that was previously discussed with German officials.

The deadline for a truce in El Salvador's civil war passed today with NO deal between the government and rebels. Government and rebel negotiators are in a third day of peace talks set to end Tuesday in Costa Rica. During talks last May, both sides agreed to negotiate a quick end to the 10-year-old war and declare a general cease-fire by today.

Officials in Butte County, California are deciding whether to make their county the first in the nation to declare bankruptcy. The board of supervisors says they may be forced to close entire county departments in order to deal with a 14-point-three-Million-dollar deficit.

NASA workers are keeping their fingers crossed for the shuttle Columbia to lift-off next week, with NO delays. NASA' countdown clocks at Cape Canaveral, Florida, resumed today for a last ditch launch try Tuesday. Columbia's 10-day astronomy mission is more than three months behind schedule due to a series of problems.

U-S veterans belonging to the Association of Former P-O-W's in Romania are inviting their former prison guards to visit them in the United States this weekend. The Romanians' visit will be a chance for them to reunite with former inmates of P-O-W camp that was so luxurious it was dubbed the ''Gilded Cage.''

Veterans Affairs Secretary Derwinski apologized for using the term ''wetbacks'' to discuss drug trafficking, while campaigning for a Republican congressional candidate. Derwinski made the remark at a campaign stop in Nebraska. Derwinski told an Omaha television station that he apologized for using the term.

California State University plumbers clearing a sewage line at the Long Beach campus, came up with about one-Million dollars in soggy counterfeit 100-dollar bills. Secret Service agents are trying to determine if the bogus cash made on campus. The bills were found by plumbers who crawled down a manhole to inspect sewer lines connected to restroom drains in an engineering building.

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#90258u1336 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

LINTHICUM, Md. (SEPT. 15) UPI - The first of two weekend flights carrying American hostages held in Kuwait arrived outside Baltimore Saturday with 285 passengers, including a man who credits his mother for his release.

Adults and children fleeing the occupied nation of Kuwait in the wake of the Aug. 2 invasion by Iraq joined a stream of fellow Americans and other detainees who started arriving in the United States less than two weeks ago.

The passengers spent the night in London and arrived at Baltimore- Washington International Airport at 5 p.m. Saturday. A second planeload is scheduled to arrive at BWI Airport at the same time Sunday, officials said.

Saturday's chartered flight carried 31 Canadians. Canada's ambassador to the United States, Ian Renken, traveled to BWI to welcome them.

One of the passengers was banker Tom Ewald, 25, of Greenwich, Conn., whose mother, poet Mary Ewald, wrote a letter to Iraqi officials appealing for her son's release. The letter was forwarded to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Tom Ewald says he is convinced it secured his release.

''The fact that it was a note from Mom is embarrassing,'' he joked after his BWI arrival. The younger Ewald had worked in Barclay's Bank in London and arrived in the Middle East the day before the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion to work for a Kuwaiti bank.

Ewald said he was in hiding for two weeks before he was interrogated, taken to a Baghdad hotel and then moved to a military installation in Iraq, where he received the best treatment of captivity while being held with five British detainees.

But during the interrogation earlier in his confinement, Ewald said Iraqi soldiers questioned him to find out if he had been hidden in a ''safe house,'' which he had not.

At one point, one ''lowered his ''machine gun, took off the safety, pointed at me and said, 'We know you are lying. We will kill you in 15 minutes,''' Ewald said.

Mary Wald said that writing the letter was ''a very long shot,'' and said she found it ''a very large story that in all this huge world, a letter can get through to somebody.''

As for its contents, she said, ''It was just a heartfelt letter. I said I had no (ill feelings) to anyone, please free my son.''

Those arriving Saturday passed through Customs and were offered housing, financial aid and medical care in a makeshift repatriation center set up in a cargo hangar.

Maryland officials handling the processing had had a practice run Monday: That's when a planeload of 164 hostages, including 90 children, arrived at BWI.

Maryland's Human Resources Department helped coordinate the paperwork and aid provisions for arriving Americans, but a spokeswoman said the emotional support often is the most important service that greeters can provide.

''They are very emotional when they first get off,'' said Helen Szabalya. Usually the former hostages can make it through the paperwork without problems she said, ''and then they tend to fall apart. They suddenly realize it's over.''

Gov. William Donald Schaefer has been so pleased with the way the arrivals have been handled that he invited President Bush to greet Saturday's planeload of former hostages, though the president apparently declined.

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#90258u1419 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR (SEPT. 16) UPI - The government and opposition groups sponsored separate marches Saturday to mark the 169th anniversary of Salvadoran independence, parading in a stark show of the country's division.

''What you see is the contrast of the two countries within our nation,'' said Ruben Zamora, a prominent figure in El Salvador's leftist political opposition. ''The country of the powerful and militarized, and the country of the poor who want peace and democracy.''

Some 10,000 people, many from the countryside, marched downtown protesting government policies and chanting in favor of peace and social justice.

The arrival of several thousand others was delayed or impeded by army roadblocks on the highway leading into the capital.

President Alfredo Cristiani and his Cabinet reviewed a huge official parade in which tens of thousands of children wearing school uniforms passed to the beat of marching bands and a formation of helicopters flew overhead.

Instead of marching, the traditional military contingent to the independence parade was on duty in response to what military sources called a ''state of alert.''

U.S. Embassy officials said they also were on alert to the possibility of combat in the Salvadoran capital.

Cristiani said he lamented the ''tears, destruction and hunger'' brought by a decade of civil war, and said he hoped peace talks being held in Costa Rica with rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, could reunite the nation.

''The use of violence as a means of achieving political power has been historically discarded,'' Cristiani said. ''At this point representatives of the government and the FMLN are meeting in Costa Rica ... Our attention and hopes are concentrated on that negotiating table.''

Rebel and government negotiators were at a stalemate on the issues of the armed forces and demilitarization Saturday as they entered Day 3 of their fifth round of peace talks.

A cease-fire deadline, established at a previous round of talks last May, expired Saturday without agreement between the opposing sides.

Cristiani blamed the FMLN for the lack of progress in the 5-month- old, U.N-mediated peace process.

''The peace process has been prolonged by the intransigent attitude the FMLN has adopted at the negotiating table,'' Cristiani said. ''The FMLN's lack of flexibility appears to coincide with their repeated threats of launching an offensive against the people.''

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE U.S.A.:

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Anchorage cy	57	48	.18	
Asheville pc	77	63	.10	
Atlanta sy	86	70	....	
Baltimore pc	80	66	....	
Billings pc	84	52	....	
Birmingham sy	90	73	....	
Bismarck sy	73	42	....	
Boston pc	79	65	.39	
Brownsville pc	92	74	.52	
Buffalo cy	61	55	.46	
Burlington Vt. sh	68	58	.33	
Charleston S.C. sy	89	78	....	
Charlotte pc	86	71	....	
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Orlando pc	93	74	....
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Pittsburgh sh	61	59	.34
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Portland Ore. cy	63	58	.21
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San Antonio pc	93	74	....
San Diego pc	79	66	....
San Francisco sy	72	57	....
San Juan sh	91	76	.01
Seattle pc	64	53	....
Spokane pc	75	48	....
Tampa pc	93	74	....
Washington pc	80	69	.01
Wichita sy	91	53	....

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

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#90258u1542 09/15/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 15) UPI - Secretary of State Baker says West Germany's nearly two-BILLION- dollar pledge was substantially above what U-S officials requested to support U-S efforts to force Iraq out of Kuwait. Baker held a news conference with West German Chancellor Kohl today to announce Bonn's one-point-eight-BILLION dollars in direct assistance. Baker says about one-BILLION dollars will go toward supporting U-S military operations in the Persian Gulf.

The first of two weekend flights carrying Americans and some Canadians who'd been trapped in Kuwait arrived today in Baltimore with 285 passengers. Among them was 25-year-old Tommy Ewald of Connecticut, whose mother wrote a letter to Iraqi officials begging for her son's release from occupied Kuwait. A second planeload of Americans is scheduled to arrive in Baltimore tomorrow.

Jordan's King Hussein was conspicious by his absence at the start of an anti-Western conference in Amman to show solidarity with Iraq. More than two-thousand people gathered for the three-day meeting... one of the largest political gatherings in Jordan in recent years. Hussein was scheduled to give the opening address. NO explanation was given as to why he changed his mind and sent, in his place, the speaker of the lower house of parliament.

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#90258u1558 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 15) UPI - Negotiators for the Salvadoran government and rebel forces are continuing peace talks in San Jose, Costa Rica... working past a truce deadline. Both sides are standing firm in their positions on de-militarization. Rebel negotiators want both guerrilla forces and El Salvador's 55-thousand-strong armed forces dismantled as part of a peace agreement. The government says the armed forces must continue to exist.

The New York Post is still in business after sweeping union concessions won in last-minute negotiations brought a temporary reprieve. The bargaining cliffhangar ended just before midnight last night... hours past a deadline for a threatened closing of the 189- year-old tabloid. Newspaper guild members vote on the settlement Monday. But the guild leadership is sharply split over the deal, and are said to be NOT likely to recommend approval.

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#90258u1654 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 15) UPI - Iraq's ambassador to France calls ''UNjustified'' an order by French President Mitterand to expel a handful of Iraqi diplomats and deploy four-thousand troops to the Persian Gulf. Iraq's Parisian envoy says Iraqi forces did NOT raid Western diplomatic missions in Kuwait yesterday. Iraq reportedly entered French, Canadian and Belgian compounds in Kuwait... detaining five Western diplomats, who were later freed.

South Africa authorities are using roadblocks, curfews and armed security patrols in black townships near Johannesburg that've been ravaged by nearly seven weeks of factional fighting. The military-style operation... dubbed ''Iron Fist''... was criticized by black leader Nelson mandela as giving authorities license to kill blacks.

Florida lottery officials say there is a ''99-percent likelihood'' there will be at least one winner of the Lotto jackpot worth at least 100-Million dollars. Ticket sales for the lottery end tonight at 10:30 , with the drawing one hour later. The estimated prize is the second biggest in U-S lottery history... ranking behind a 1989 Pennsylvania jackpot worth more than 115-Million dollars.

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#90258u1658 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 15) UPI - A crowd of seven-thousand people turned out to greet former President Reagan in Gdansk, Poland, today. A priest friend of Solidarity founder Lech Walesa gave Reagan a saber for helping to... quote... ''chop off the head of communism'' in Poland. Reagan and Walesa addressed workers in the Gdansk shipyard where Solidarity was born 10 years ago. That birth helped spark a historic revolution that figured prominently in last year's toppling of communist regimes in Eastern Europe.

Nobel Peace Prize laureate Mother Teresa says she hopes to send her order's nuns to her native Albania soon. The 80-year-old nun held a news conference in Rome today in advance of her scheduled visit with Pope John Paul tomorrow. Mother Teresa says she has made inquiries about opening a hospice in Albania, the last hardline communist country in Europe. She says the offer to the Albanian leadership has NOT yet been finalized

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#90258u1811 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 15) UPI - West Germany today pledged to send two-BILLION dollars to the U-S-led international military force in the Persian Gulf. A portion of the aid package is earmarked for countries hard-hit by sanctions imposed against Iraq. Secretary of State Baker received the pledge during a two-hour meeting with Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

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The Persian Gulf effort will also be fortified by the addition of some four-thousand French troops. President Francois Mitterand ordered the forces deployed today, one day after Iraqi troops reportedly raided the French diplomatic compound in Kuwait. Mitterand also ordered the expulsion of some Iraqi diplomats from France.

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A plane carrying 285 Westerners detained in Kuwait arrived this afternoon at the Baltimore-Washington International Airport. Among the nearly 250 Americans on the flight was a 25-year-old man whose release apparently was sparked by a letter his mother wrote to Iraqi officials.

Florida lottery officials say they will NOT know until tomorrow if there is a winner of tonight's massive jackpot drawing. The ante is up to more than 100-Million dollars, with Millions of ticket-holders hoping to walk away with the big booty.

South African authorities ordered roadblocks throughout black townships near Johannesburg and placed razor-topped fences to cordon off potential trouble spots. The moves are part of a new plan called Operation ''Iron Fist.'' Black leader Nelson Mandela criticized the effort.

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#90258u1812 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 15) UPI - Both sides held pat today as Salvadoran government representatives met with rebels from the war-ravaged Central American country. Earlier this year, the sides said they would declare a cease-fire agreement by today. However, the deadline passed with little movement toward compromise.

Police in Pennsylvania have NO suspects in the murders of two hikers slain this week on the Appalachian Trail. Authorities annoounced today the couple suffered fatal stab and gunshot wounds. The bodies were found by other hikers Thursday evening.

Electronic communication with NASA's Magellan Venus probe was boosted back into service today following several weeks without contact. Officials at the Jet Propulsion Lab in Pasadena, California, say the craft performed well as engineers charted its performance of critical navigation maneuvers.

Federal and state officials are investigating the source of nearly one-Million dollars in counterfeit bills found this week. The stash of cash was discovered clogging a sewer line at California State University Long Beach.

Nobel Peace Prize winner Mother Teresa will meet with Pope John Paul tomorrow. The 80-year-old nun says she hopes to open her care facilities in Albania, the sole remaining Stalinist state in Eastern Europe. Other communist nations she wants to enter are Cuba and China.

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#90258u1944 09/15/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 15) UPI - The Soviet Union's economic woes are proving to be deadly for a funeral business in a city 220 miles south of Moscow. The official trade union newspaper Trud reports the state funeral service agency in the city of Orel has stopped making coffins because of a wood shortage. The paper suggests relatives of the dearly departed bring planks from their fences or porches to be turned into coffins.

Thunderstorms poured rain on the Northeast and storms across Arizona turned roads into a swampy mess. Police in Gila Bend, Arizona, say downpours sent a flow of mud over roadways. The National Weather Service warned of flooding at low-level roads. Showers were also on tap in southeastern New York and much of Pennslyvania, as well as northeast Ohio and western Maryland.

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#90259d6360 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT. 16) - Iraq has asked the United Nations to register its archeological sites as among those endangered by war, notably because of the U.S. military presence in the Gulf, the Iraqi News Agency said in a dispatch received here Sunday.

"Archeological sites in Iraq, which number some 10,000 and reflect 80,000 years of history and human civilization, are threatened with destruction," Iraqi authorities said in a recent message to Federico Mayor, head of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

Iraqi archeologists expressed their concern for the safety of the sites in light of the thousands of "the U.S. and Western troops massed on Iraqi frontier."

The troops were deployed in Saudi Arabia in the aftermath of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

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#90259d6490 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt (SEPT. 16) - Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens Sunday condemned Iraq's storming of diplomatic premises in Kuwait as an act of war, the Middle East News Agency (MENA) reported.

Mr. Eyskens, speaking after talks here with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, said the raids Friday against the diplomatic compounds of Belgium, France and Canada were "an act of war that required a response."

According to Brussels, three Iraqi soldiers forced their way into the Belgian Embassy grounds in Kuwait City and ordered the remaining diplomats there to leave and go to the ambassador's residence.

Mr. Eyskens did not outline any Belgian reprisals over the incident, which he described as "unacceptable aggression" and a clear violation of international law and the Vienna convention.

France Saturday expelled Iraqi diplomats and announced it was sending more troops to the Gulf in response to the Iraqi action, which was strongly condemned in a resolution by the U.N. Security Council.

Italy, which holds the revolving presidency of the EEC, Sunday announced the expulsion of officials from the Iraqi Embassy in Rome.

In Amman, Belgian Defence Minister Guy Coeme said Belgium, which has already deployed two minesweepers and a supply ship in the Gulf, did not envisage further deployments and would focus on humanitarian aid.

Mr. Coeme was in Amman to check operations to evacuate thousands of Egyptians stranded in Jordan. Belgian has set up four flights a day to Cairo, each carrying some 100 passengers, on two Belgian Air Force C-130 transports.

The defence minister said he would discuss the Iraqi raids on the diplomatic premises in Kuwait during a meeting in Paris of the nine-member Western European Union, scheduled to be held within the next three days.

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#90259d6510 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 16) - Some 20,000 protesters marched through the streets of Moscow Sunday demanding radical economic reform and the resignation of the government of Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzkhov.

The demonstrators, carrying banners calling for the resignation of the prime minister and supporting Russian Republic President Boris Yeltsin, marched peacefully from Moscow's Gorky Park to just outside the Kremlin walls.

One banner proclaimed "Yeltsin, the people believe in you," while another said "I have no confidence in Gorbachev, Ryzkhov and company." Yet another said "Better a resignation today than an execution tomorrow."

Various reformist opposition groups organized the authorised demonstration. A number of Russian flags and some Lithuanian flags were brandished by the demonstrators.

Moscow's progressive mayor, Gavril Popov, lent his support to the protest on public television Saturday. "We are tired of empty shops and money without value," he said.

The call for radical economic reform here coincides with a serious meat shortage, one of a series of shortages that has gripped the Soviet capital.

Commenting on this, the pro-government newspaper Izvestia said Sunday: "We are not only the victims of the tobacco crisis, the bread crisis and the meat crisis, but also the witnesses of the agonies of the distribution system."

Two weeks ago there was a severe bread shortage. This was almost unprecedented since for years bread had one of the few products available in abundance.

But Muscovites did not stage angry demonstrations. Rather, they stood patiently in long lines as they are accustomed to do for many other products. The bread shortage ended after a few days, to be replaced by the meat shortage.

Mr. Popov said Saturday that the government had never had any real plans to switch to a market economy, had no such plans now and did not want any.

Moscow's mayor is a supporter of the so-called Yeltsin-Gorbachev plan for radical economic reform, which was drawn up by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and the president of the Russian Federation, Boris Yeltsin.

But the prime minister has urged a more moderate reform plan, which he claimed in a television interview represented a more realistic transition to a market economy.

"I want to avoid chaos in all areas of our lives, and I support social guarantees for the people," he said, adding that it was up to parliament to

decide whether he retained the public confidence.

Parliament is due to choose one of several alternative economic plans before October 1. Essentially, they have a choice between the Yeltsin-Gorbachev plan, and that of Mr. Ryzkhov's government.

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#90259d6550 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT. 16) - Iraq on Sunday dismissed the United Nations Security Council's condemnation of Iraqi raids on diplomatic premises in Kuwait as "unjust and without foundation."

The Iraqi News Agency, in a dispatch received here, said the unanimously backed resolution was part of a U.S.-led campaign against Baghdad.

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#90259d6570 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 16) - A bomb exploded in the town of Jhang in Pakistan's Punjab province Sunday, injuring five people, the official Associated Press of Pakistan (APP) reported.

Four men and a woman were admitted to hospital after the bomb went off under a fruit vendor's cart, the report said, adding that police did not immediately know who planted the device.

Late last month, three bomb blasts in in Punjab left 12 people dead and more than 60 injured.

Syeda Abida Hussain, minister for information in the caretaker government, visited the injured at the hospital, the report said. Mr. Hussain is to contest elections in a Jhang constituency during elections scheduled for October 24.

In the past, the town has experienced violent outbreaks of tension between Sunni and Shiite Moslem sects.

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#90259d6580 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (SEPT. 16) - Iraqi televison on Sunday broadcast a message to the Iraqi people on the Gulf crisis from U.S. President George Bush.

The pre-recorded message, monitored in Manama, began at 7.03 p.m. (1503 GMT) and was to last eight minutes.

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#90259d6750 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (SEPT. 16) - China intends to persevere with reforms despite current economic difficulties, but will limit capital investment, government spokesman Yuan Mu said Sunday.

In the first two years of the five-year plan for 1991 to 1995, China will focus on technical upgrading of existing enterprises rather than on new projects, which require more investment, Mr. Yuan said in an article in the official People's Daily.

Few new projects would be undertaken and the emphasis would be on modernisation to improve factory production, especially in newly built plants, the spokesman said.

Mr. Yuan also urged localities to limit the expansion of industrial zones and to build more high-rise buildings in small- and medium-sized cities to safeguard arable land.

China had already overcome its "most difficult period" thanks to the reform policies introduced 10 years ago, but was still faced with "deep-rooted problems and new contradictions," he said.

Despite increases in agricultural and industrial production and the relative stability of prices, Mr. Yuan said three major problems remained: depressed demand, a drop in profits of state-run companies and the government budget deficit.

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#90259d6810 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (SEPT. 16) - Iraq on Sunday challenged U.S. President George Bush to launch war against it in a commentary read over television here following a message to the Iraqi people from the U.S. leader.

"You can take such a decision but the war will be a disaster for you, your allies and your acolytes," the speaker said.

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#90259d7390 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (SEPT. 16) - Thousands of anti-American demonstrators, flanked by members of the ruling Baath party, poured into the streets of Baghdad Sunday to protest videotaped remarks from U.S. President George Bush, correspondents reported.

Demonstrations were also reported in Basra in the south and Erbil in the north.

Here in the capital men, women and children carried banners in Arabic and English that said: "No to Bush," "No to war" and "The Iraqi people will defend their sovereignty and dignity."

The crowd surged down Ramadan 14 Avenue, one of the longest in Baghdad, shouting slogans hostile to Mr. Bush, King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Mr. Bush in his seven to eight-minute message, which had been videotaped in Washington and appeared to have been aired here in its entirety, said Baghdad had made a major mistake by invading Kuwait and warned that the United States could take military action to force Iraqi troops to withdraw.

"There is no way Iraq can win," he said. "Ultimately, Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait."

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#90259d7420 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 16) - Pakistan's caretaker prime minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi Sunday said Pakistan will consider sending more troops to Saudi Arabia if the Riyadh government so requested.

Islamabad has committed 5,000 troops to help defend Saudi Arabia. Of these 3,000 have already arrived.

Talking to newsmen at Karachi after a four-day visit to the Saudi kingdom, the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain, Jatoi reiterated that Pakistani troops sent to Saudi Arabia were ''part of the pan-Islamic force to defend the holy places''.

Pakistan had assured countries of the area of ''support for all measures aimed at securing unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the restoration of its sovereignty''.

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#90259d7430 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (SEPT. 16) - Italy announced Sunday that it was expelling all of the military staff at the Iraqi Embassy here and restricting the movements of Iraqi diplomats to within 30 kilometers (19 miles) of Rome.

The decision was taken following "intolerable acts of hostility" carried out by "Iraqi occupation troops" against embassies and diplomatic representatives in Kuwait, the Italian Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

The ministry noted that the actions by Iraqi troops in occupied Kuwait had been condemned by the U.N. Security Council in Sunday's Resolution 667.

The emergency Security Council meeting was called by France Saturday after Iraqi troops stormed various diplomatic premises in Kuwait and abducted four French citizens from the French ambassador's residence, including a military attache who was later released.

Italy has given military personnel attached to the Iraqi Embassy 10 days to leave the country. The Italian ambassador to Kuwait remains at his post despite Iraqi demands and subsequent harassment.

Italy will also limit movements of Iraqi officials accredited in Rome, who will have to obtain permission to travel further than 30 kilometres (19 miles) from the capital, the statement said.

Italy, which currently holds the revolving presidency of the European Economic Community, has convoked a European-Arab meeting for October 7 to bring together ministers from the 12 EEC countries and Arab League members, excluding Iraq.

The decision to expel Iraqi military personnel was taken the day after U.S. Secretary of State James Baker's visit to Rome and a visit by Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis to Moscow.

On Friday, Italy increased its military presence in the Gulf region by sending a fourth warship to support the three it sent to the Mediterranean in August. It is also sending a squadron of eight Tornado fighter-bombers.

Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti spoke Saturday for the first time about the possibility of a military confrontation in the Gulf.

"If military actions are necessary, either to enforce respect for the embargo against Iraq or to demonstrate that we are resolved to go the distance, they should be taken," he said.

On Saturday, France announced it was expelling 11 officials of the Iraqi Embassy in Paris and another 36 Iraqis including "known agents of Iraqi intelligence". It also restricted Iraqi diplomats to the Paris area.

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#90259d7450 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT. 16) - The Soviet Union condemned as "unacceptable" Sunday the invasion by Iraqi troops of the Belgian, Canadian and French diplomatic compounds in Kuwait City, the Tass news agency reported.

The agency quoted a foreign ministry spokesman as saying "the Soviet Union condemns these actions on the part of the Iraqi occupation authorities as unacceptable from the point of view of international law."

The acts, Tass added, "further aggravate the situation in the Gulf."

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#90259d7860 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LEIPZIG, East Germany (SEPT. 16) - Chancellor Helmut Kohl said here Sunday that a united Germany must modify its constitution so it can be more actively involved in the multinational effort to solve the Gulf crisis.

The chancellor, addressing a meeting of Young Christian Democrats, called it "unacceptable" that Germany is the "world champion in exports" but "seeks cover when things go bad on the planet."

The Basic Law must be modified very quickly after unification on October 3 so that Germans can "fulfill their duty" towards the United Nations, he said.

Under the present Basic Law which serves as the West German constitution,

West Germany is prohibited from deploying troops beyond the European theatre, according to most constitutional experts.

West Germany announced Saturday that it would provide the United States and countries suffering economic hardship because of the embargo against Iraq with more than two billion dollars in aid.

Funds offered by Western, Middle Eastern and other countries to aid the international effort against Iraq reached an estimated 20 billion dollars Saturday.

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#90259d8070 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (SEPT. 16) - Foreign ministry officials from Iran and Iraq held "cordial" talks in Baghdad Sunday on reopening embassies in each other's capitals and other bilateral issues, the Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported.

The visit to the Iraqi capital by Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki, who met Director General of the Iraqi Foreign Ministry Wissam Zahowi,

was the first by an Iranian official since the start of the Gulf war 10 years ago this month.

INA said the two men also discussed the continued exchange of prisoners from the Gulf war, the issue of borders and the normalization of Iraq-Iran relations.

The agency reported that the encounter took place "in a cordial atmosphere,

based on the comprehension that prevails between the leaders of the two countries."

Mr. Mottaki said on arrival that he would follow up on the visit last week to Teheran by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz, according to an INA dispatch monitored here.

Iran announced after the September 9-10 visit by Mr. Aziz that the two countries had agreed to restore diplomatic relations.

Iran and Iraq fought a bitter war between September 1980 and August 1988, when a U.N.-sponsored cease-fire took effect. Diplomatic ties were formally severed in October 1987.

Relations between Teheran and Baghdad have sharply improved since August 15, when Iraqi President Saddam Hussein announced he had decided to meet Iran's long-standing demands for a final settlement to the eight-year conflict.

On Wednesday, Iranian Spiritual Guide Ayatollah Ali Khamenei raised the prospect of an Iran-Iraq alliance in the current Gulf crisis, saying the Islamic struggle against the U.S. build-up in the region amounted to holy war.

The call for holy war was backed Sunday by a majority of Iranian MPs.

But Iran's highest political body, the Supreme National Security Council, reiterated Teheran's call for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait and reaffirmed Iranian pledges to respect U.N. sanctions against Baghdad.

Informed government sources in Teheran have denied that any deal has been struck to circumvent the U.N. trade embargo against Iraq, dismissing U.S. press reports of Iraqi oil sales to Iran.

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#90259d8290 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT. 16) - Elite Nigerian paratroopers backed by warplanes launched a large-scale offensive against positions held by Liberian rebels around Monrovia on Sunday, a source close to the government here said.

The source said that members of the 82nd Paratroop Division stationed in Makurdi, northern Nigeria, had been dropped behind the lines of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) rebels around the Liberian capital.

Nigerian air force Jaguar, MiG and Alfa planes and Puma and super-Puma helicopters provided air cover by carrying out bombing runs against the NPFL rebels, the source added.

Ghanaian warplanes also participated in the attack, the source said.

Nigeria has sent the largest contingent to a five-nation West African force known as ECOMOG, and sent to Monrovia by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) in a bid to end Liberia's nine-month civil war.

NPFL leader Charles Taylor launched a campaign last December against the regime of President Samuel Doe. Mr. Doe was killed this month by forces of a breakaway rebel force led by Prince Johnson.

The various forces in Monrovia have lately been fighting for control of the Executive Mansion, the seat of government.

The source close to the government here said that the Nigerian paratroopers from Makurdi had been sent to Freetown, the Sierra Leone capital, on Saturday.

Nigerian troops are also to be sent to the Liberian port of Buchanan in an attempt to surround the forces of NPFL leader Charles Taylor, the source said.

African diplomats in Freetown said earlier Sunday that the West African force had changed its role and was going on the offensive against the rebels.

They said that the new stand was aimed at ending the civil war and restoring peace "within the minimum possible period."

According to informed sources, Nigeria has committed about 4,000 troops to the military operations in Liberia.

The NPFL has been holding more than 1,000 Nigerian civilians hostage and refused repeated cease-fire calls.

The rebel breakaway faction under Prince Johnson has however joined forces with the Nigerian and other ECOMOG troops to fight its rivals under Mr. Taylor.

Prince Johnson's forces are reported to have freed all the ECOMOG troops that they had earlier taken hostage.

News of the Nigerian offensive came after the British Broadcasting Corporation reported Sunday that three Ghanaian warplanes had bombed NPFL lines around the capital Monrovia on two occasions over the weekend.

The raids on the NPFL forces were carried out in a bid to back up the West African troops, who have recently come under heavy rebel attack, the BBC said.

The BBC, whose reporter Elizabeth Blunt is in the Liberian capital, said the air raids followed heavy shelling on Friday of the headquarters of the peace-keeping force at the port, in which Ghanaian solders were wounded.

The radio said the shelling, which caused serious damage, killed five people,

two of them from Ghana's naval forces, and wounded an unspecified number of others.

Military hospital sources in Freetown said Sunday that some 12 seriously wounded soldiers from the peace-keeping force in Monrovia were brought to the Sierra Leone capital by sea late Saturday.

Independent sources put the number of casualties at 31 and around three dead, but this was not officially confirmed.

Besides the West African force, ECOWAS has also created an interim Liberian government, to be headed by former political science professor Amos Sawyer.

Sources close to Liberian religious leaders in Freetown said the make-up of the interim government was to be officially announced "anytime after Sunday."

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#90259d9110 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 17) - Major oil companies in Japan raised the prices of gasoline kerosene and other petroleum products Monday.

An eight yen (6.0 cents) hike is the largest since 1978 and will push up the retail price of gasoline to a national average of about 130 yen (96 cents) per litre (2.1 pints), with kerosene rising to 53 yen (39 cents) from 45 yen (33 cents).

The increases will be effective initially for a month, industry sources said, adding that they had to take into account rising prices for oil since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The government earlier this month said it would allow oil companies to raise prices, but called on them to limit the hikes to a minimum to forestall inflation.

Japan, the world's third largest oil consumer and second largest importer, gets 82 percent of its supplies from members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Oil imports rose 5.6 percent in the year to March 31 to 1.33 billion barrels.

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#90259d9150 09/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KINSHASA (SEPT. 17) - The Zairean government on Sunday announced increases of around 20 percent in retail petrol prices, in response to the rise in crude oil prices caused by the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The rise, which is expected to cause knock-on effects throughout the economy, comes as many Zairean workers and civil servants are already demanding major wage increases to keep up with soaring inflation.

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#90259p4977 09/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILLISTON, VT (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacques H. Rodet, president of Rossignol Ski Company, Inc., U.S. subsidiary of Skis Rossignol S.A. (France), the world's number one ski manufacturer, and Roger Cleveland, founder and president of Roger Cleveland Golf Company, jointly announced today that on Sept. 12, 1990, they entered into a letter of intent by which Rossignol Ski Company, Inc. will acquire 100 percent of the stock of Roger Cleveland Golf Company for an undisclosed sum. The agreement and transfer of ownership should be finalized by the end of September 1990.

Rossignol Ski Company, emphasized Rodet, is committed to providing Cleveland with the working capital and technical support it warrants. Cleveland will also have the capability of drawing on Rossignol's other fields of expertise, including manufacturing, composite materials, and international distribution. Rodet stated that "this will certainly enable Cleveland to better reach its full potential and play the major role it deserves in the golf equipment industry."

Cleveland is a small, fast-growing company which has achieved success through its reputation for high quality, technically superior products. In spite of its small size, PGA tour professionals using Cleveland products have led in such PGA Tour statistics as driving distance, driving accuracy, and most tour wins by players using the company's sand wedge. At the 1990 PGA Championship, over 34 percent of the players were using Cleveland Classics.

It was further confirmed by both parties Cleveland will remain located in the Los Angeles area, will expand its upper level management team, and will continue to be operated essentially as an independent entity. Cleveland will remain with the company as an executive officer and member of the board of directors. He will continue to play a leading role in the development, marketing and promotion of Cleveland's products. According to Rodet, "Rossignol is right on target with our company's plan for growth, expansion, and diversification."

Together, Cleveland and Rodet are confident that based on these premises, Cleveland will become a leading force internationally in the golf industry, while reinforcing the Rossignol Group's position as a leader in sporting goods.

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ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, ILL. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSIRE - Motorola Inc.'s (NYSE: MOT) Radio-Telephone Systems Group announced today that it has been selected by the Bundespost Telekom of Germany as one of the official suppliers of infrastructure equipment for the D1 digital cellular network based on the Pan-European digital cellular standard, known as GSM (Groupe Speciale Mobile).

Telekom's decision was based upon Motorola's outstanding qualifications and experience in the GSM technology, which were amply reconfirmed over the past few months by rigorous analytical tests conducted by Detecon, an engineering consulting firm, on behalf of Telekom.

Motorola, as a major worldwide supplier of cellular systems, will participate in all the D1 network bids issued by the German Bundespost Telekom.

Telekom plans to accelerate the D1 network development as a dramatic increase in demand is anticipated by the industry when the GSM cellular digital system becomes operational.

Motorola has been awarded several digital cellular systems contracts in Europe among which are GSM validation systems for Scandinavia, Spain and the United Kingdom as well as for the German Bundespost; GSM pre-operational systems in Spain and the U.K.; and operational systems in Sweden and the U.K.

Motorola's digital cellular technology leadership has had other significant recognitions in Japan and the U.S., where each country has selected the company's speech coder as the official digital standard.

Motorola is the world's leading designer, manufacturer and supplier of cellular systems, infrastructure equipment and subscriber products. It is also a leading provider of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets, including two-way radios, pagers, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronic equipment, computers, data communications, and information processing and handling equipment.

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#90259u0070 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

(AUG. 16) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	84	62	.575	-	43-29	41-33	4-6	L-4
New York	83	62	.572	1/2	51-23	32-39	6-4	W-1
Montreal	77	68	.531	6 1/2	42-29	35-39	6-4	W-2
Chicago	69	76	.476	14 1/2	36-38	33-38	6-4	W-1

Philadel.	66	79	.455	17 1/2	35-36	31-43	3-7	L-1
St. Louis	66	80	.452	18	33-41	33-39	5-5	L-1
West								
Cincinnati	81	63	.563	-	40-29	41-34	4-6	L-2
Los Angeles	77	68	.531	4 1/2	42-30	35-37	6-4	W-3
San Fran.	75	70	.517	6 1/2	42-29	33-40	6-4	L-2
San Diego	67	77	.465	14	36-40	29-38	6-4	W-1
Houston	66	79	.455	15 1/2	42-27	24-51	4-6	W-2
Atlanta	59	86	.407	22 1/2	34-39	25-47	4-6	L-1

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

Chicago (AL) - Announced general manager Larry Himes is leaving post; extended contract of manager Jeff Torborg through 1991; signed outfielder Jerry Hairston.

Cincinnati - Called up pitcher Kip Gross from Nashville of the American Association (AAA).

Houston - Purchased the contract of pitcher Randy Hennis from Tucson of the Pacific Coast League (AAA).

Kansas City - Called up infielder Russ Morman from Omaha of the American Association (AAA).

Football

Green Bay - Activated running back Herman Fontenot; placed safety Chuck Cecil on injured reserve.

Miami - Activated wide receiver Jim Jensen and running back Troy Stradford; cut running back Tony Collins and wide receiver Scott Schwedes; re-signed defensive back African Grant.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - The U-N Security Council convened Saturday night at the request of the French and Canadian representatives. The 15-member panel was summoned to consider further measures against Iraq following its raid on three Western embassies in Kuwait Friday. One French diplomat says Paris wants the council to condemn the embassy raids and consider legally permissible methods

of punishing Iraq.

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France responded earlier Saturday to the reported Iraqi transgression by announcing that four-thousand additional French troops would head to the Persian Gulf. Other measures declared by President Mitterand included expelling some of Iraq's diplomatic staff and restricting the remaining staff members to the French capital. The Bush administration voiced approval for the French action.

Do these numbers mean anything to you? Six... 35... 34... 45... 21... and five. If you were among the Millions of participants in Saturday night's Florida lottery drawing, these numbers could mean a tremendous payday. Lottery officials estimate the jackpot from tonight's lottery to be more than 100-Million dollars. The official size of the booty... as well as if there are any winners... will be announced tomorrow.

NO progress was reported Saturday between bargainers for the Canadian Auto Workers and Ford Motor Company of Canada. The two sides recessed from talks until Sunday morning without tackling the thorny problem of wages, benefits and pensions. More than 12-thousand Canadian auto workers walked off the job at midnight Friday. Their action is expected to affect U-S car plants within 10 days.

-30- 1779

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - The National Weather Service says rain mixed with smoke from a refinery fire along the Houston Ship Channel has produced a grimy ''black rain'' that has soiled houses and vehicles outside Houston. Cleaner rain was reported elsewhere around the country... including an inch and a half in parts of New Hampshire. Meanwhile, heat records were set in Florida and Colorado... where the mercury edged into the 90's.

Los Angeles authorities say four men are in custody for the Friday kidnapping and torture of a 23-year-old man. Police say Ronald Henry was taken against his will, apparently by a former business associate and three acquaintances. He was stripped, had his hair and his eyebrows shaved before his captors coated him with glue and smeared feathers on him. He eventually was able to escape, but NOT before receiving numerous burns on his body and being forced into a cage with six vicious dogs.

-30- 1075

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MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay (SEPT. 16) UPI - The government Saturday rejected Iraq's offer of free oil for Third World countries willing to ignore the trade

embargo imposed by the United Nations in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's offer is ''absolutely and radically incompatible'' with resolutions passed by the U.N. Security Council, a Foreign Ministry statement said.

''Uruguay will scrupulously abide by U.N. resolutions despite the economic hardships this entails for our country,'' the statement said.

Uruguay insisted on ''the need to comply and strengthen U.N. action'' in the Persian Gulf as an international response to ''Iraqi agression against Kuwait.''

Uruguay's compliance with the U.N.-imposed embargo has caused the tiniest South American country losses estimated at $90 million in export income, about 6 percent of Uruguayan annual export earnings, according to official sources.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	80	66	.548	-	46-27	34-39	4-6	L-3
Toronto	78	68	.534	2	39-35	39-33	8-2	W-2
Detroit	70	77	.476	10 1/2	35-39	35-38	4-6	W-1
Milwaukee	68	77	.469	11 1/2	34-38	34-39	5-5	L-3
Cleveland	67	79	.459	13	36-37	31-42	7-3	W-4
Baltimore	65	79	.451	14	33-38	32-41	5-5	L-2
New York	60	85	.414	19 1/2	32-39	28-46	3-7	L-1

West

Oakland	93	52	.641	-	46-25	47-27	8-2	W-2
Chicago	83	62	.572	10	44-29	39-33	4-6	W-3
Texas	77	68	.531	16	45-29	32-39	9-1	W-3
California	74	72	.507	19 1/2	41-33	33-39	6-4	L-1
Seattle	71	75	.486	22 1/2	37-38	34-37	4-6	W-1
Kansas City	67	78	.462	26	41-33	26-45	1-9	L-2
Minnesota	66	81	.449	28	35-37	31-44	3-7	L-2

-30- 1103

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - AL BOX SCORES

NEW YORK DETROIT

ab r h bi ab r h bi

Kelly cf	4	0	1	0	Phillips ss	4	0	2	1
Sax 2b	5	0	0	0	Whitaker 2b	4	0	0	0
Barfield rf	4	1	2	1	Fielder 1b	4	0	2	0
Balboni dh	2	0	0	0	Sheets dh	4	0	0	0
Mattingly ph	1	0	1	0	Moseby lf	4	1	1	0
Maas 1b	2	0	0	0	Fryman 3b	3	0	1	0
Meulens lf	4	0	0	0	Shelby rf	4	1	1	0
Blowers 3b	3	1	1	1	Salas c	4	1	2	0
Azocar ph	1	0	1	0	Cuyler cf	3	1	2	2
Leyritz c	3	0	0	0					
Nokes ph	1	0	0	0					
Espinoza ss	2	0	1	0					
Hall ph	1	1	1	1					
Totals	33	3	8	3	Totals	34	4	11	3

New York	100	000	101- 3
Detroit	000	300	10x- 4

E-Maas, Cuyler. DP-New York 1, Detroit 2. LOB-New York 8, Detroit 10. 2B-Phillips, Cuyler. 3B-Cuyler, Moseby. HR- Barfield (23), Blowers (5), Hall (12). SB- Kelly (38). S-Cuyler.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Eiland (L 0-1)	6 2-3	10	4	3	2	3
Plunk	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Cadaret	1	1	0	0	0	0
Detroit						
Tanana (W 8-7)	6 2-3	5	2	2	4	6
Nunez (S 6)	2 1-3	3	1	1	1	1

PB-Leyritz 2.

Umpires-Home, Roe; 1b, McCoy; 2b, Clark; 3b, Hirschbeck.

T-3:02. A-18,976.

BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi
SFinley rf	4	0	0	0	MWilson cf	4	1	2	1
Hulett ph	1	0	0	0	TFernandz ss	4	1	1	0
Segui 1b	0	0	0	0	Gruber 3b	4	1	1	3
Gallagher lf	4	0	1	0	McGriff 1b	3	0	1	0
Horn ph	1	0	0	0	Bell dh	3	0	1	0
BAnderson lf	0	0	0	0	Williams pr	0	0	0	0
CRipken ss	4	1	1	1	Myers c	3	0	0	0
Kittle dh	4	0	0	0	Ducey lf	3	0	1	0

Worthngtn 3b	3	0	0	0	Lee 2b	2	0	0	0
Melvin c	4	1	2	0	Eppard ph	1	0	0	0
Devereaux cf	3	0	1	0	Sojo 2b	0	0	0	0
McKnight 1b	4	0	2	1	Felix rf	3	1	1	0
BRipken 2b	3	1	3	1					
Totals	35	3	10	3	Totals	30	4	8	4

None out when winning run scored

Baltimore	000	020	001-3
Toronto	001	000	003-4

LOB-Baltimore 8, Toronto 2. 2B- McKnight. 3B-Felix. HR-B.Ripken (3), C.Ripken (18), Gruber (27). S-Devereaux.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
Harnisch	8	7	3	3	0	3
Schilling (L 1-2)	0	1	1	1	0	0
Toronto						
Wells	8 2-3	10	3	3	2	2
Blair (W 3-5)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Harnisch pitched to 2 batters in the 9th.

WP-Wells. Balk-Wells.

Umpires-Home, Merrill; 1b, McClelland; 2b, Denkinger; 3b, Shulock.

T-2:55. A-49,888.

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Gladden lf	3	0	1	1	RHendersn lf	2	1	0	0
Liriano 2b	4	0	0	0	McGee cf	4	0	2	2
Puckett cf	4	0	0	0	Canseco rf	3	0	0	0
Hrbek 1b	4	0	0	0	Baines dh	2	0	0	1
Gaetti 3b	3	0	0	0	Lansford 3b	4	0	0	0
Bush dh	2	0	0	0	McGwire 1b	2	0	0	0
Mack cf	3	0	1	0	Hassey c	2	0	0	0
Ortiz c	3	1	0	0	Weiss ss	0	1	0	0
Gagne ss	2	0	0	0	Randolph 2b	4	1	1	0
Newman ss	1	0	0	0	Gallego ss	2	0	0	0
					Steinbach c	2	1	1	1
Totals	29	1	2	1	Totals	27	4	4	4

Minnesota	001	000	000- 1
Oakland	000	000	40x- 4

E-McGee, Gaetti, Hrbek. DP-Minnesota 1. LOB-Minnesota 3, Oakland 8. SB-Randolph (5), Gladden (23). S- RHenderson. SF-Baines.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Abbott (L 0-4)	6	3	3	3	6	3
Leach	1-3	1	1	0	0	1
Wayne	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Drummond	1 1-3	0	0	0	1	1
Oakland						
Welch (W 24-6)	8	2	1	0	1	3
Eckersley (S 43)	1	0	0	0	0	1

Abbott pitched to 3 batters in 7th.

HBP-By Welch (Bush)

Umpires-Home, Evans; 1b, Welke; 2b, Coble; 3b, Ford.

T-2:22. A-43,151.

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Reed ss	3	1	0	0	Calderon dh	5	1	2	1
Evans dh	4	1	1	0	Johnson cf	4	1	3	2
Boggs 3b	4	0	2	2	Fisk c	3	0	2	2
Burks cf	4	0	0	0	Thomas 1b	3	0	0	1
Greenwell lf	4	0	1	0	Pasqua rf	3	0	1	0
Brunansky rf	4	0	0	0	Sosa rf	1	0	0	0
Marshall 1b	4	1	1	0	Bradley lf	3	1	1	0
Pena c	3	1	2	1	Ventura 3b	3	1	2	0
Kutcher 2b	2	0	1	0	Fletcher 2b	4	1	1	1
Heep ph	1	0	0	0	Guillen ss	3	2	0	0
Totals	33	4	8	3	Totals	32	7	12	7

Boston	111	000	100-	4
Chicago	001	420	00x-	7

DP-Chicago 2. LOB-Boston 5, Chicago 10. 2B-Boggs, Marshall, Pasqua, Ventura, Pena. 3B-Evans. SB-Reed (4), Johnson 2 (32). S-Ventura. SF-Thomas.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Harris (L 13-7)	4	8	5	5	4	5
Lamp	2	3	2	2	1	0
Gardner	2	1	0	0	0	0

Chicago							
Hibbard (W 13-8)	6 1-3	7	4	4	3	3
Hillegas	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Thigpen (S 50)	1	1	0	0	0	1

WP-Harris 2, Hibbard, Hillegas 2. HBP-By Harris (Fisk); By Gardner (Thomas).

Umpires-Home, Garcia; 1b, Hendry; 2b, Palermo; 3b, Reilly.

T-3:08. A-41,197.

CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
Cole cf	6	1	2	1	Thurman rf	3	2	3	0
Fermin ss	5	1	1	0	Eisenreich ph	2	0	0	0
Browne 2b	6	1	1	0	Seitzer 3b	5	1	2	2
Maldonad dh	5	3	2	1	Brett 1b	5	0	2	1
Baerga 3b	3	1	2	2	BJackson dh	4	0	1	1
Jacoby 1b	4	2	2	0	Morman lf	4	0	0	0
TWard rf	5	3	3	6	Macfarlane c	4	1	1	0
Skinner c	5	1	2	1	Stillwell ss	4	1	1	0
Jefferson lf	5	1	2	2	FWhite 2b	3	0	1	0
					Perry ph	1	0	0	0
					Jeltz 3b	0	0	0	0
					McRae cf	4	1	3	2
Totals	44	14	17	13	Totals	39	6	14	6

Cleveland	520	010	060-14
Kansas City	100	032	000- 6

E-Jacoby, Stillwell 2. DP-Cleveland 1, Kansas City 1. LOB-Cleveland 8, Kansas City 6. 2B-Cole, Maldonado, Thurman, Seitzer, Stillwell, McRae. 3B-Maldonado, TWard. HR-TWard (1), Jefferson (2). SB- Cole (27). SF-Baerga.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Swindell (W 11-8)	5 1-3	13	6	5	0	1
Olin (S 1)	3 2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Kansas City						
McGaffigan (L 3-3)	1 2-3	7	7	1	1	1
Codiroli	3 1-3	4	1	1	1	2
Sanchez	1	1	0	0	0	1
Crawford	1 2-3	5	6	6	1	1
MDavis	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	3

HBP-Baerga By Codiroli.

Umpires-Home, Phillips; 1b, Barnett; 2b, Kosc; 3b, Morrison.

T-2:51. A-31,867.

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 2b	5	1	4	1	Huson ss	5	2	3	0
Gantner 3b	4	1	0	0	Franco 2b	4	2	1	2
Yount cf	5	0	3	1	Palmeiro 1b	4	1	0	0
Parker dh	2	0	0	1	Sierra rf	4	0	2	1
Brock 1b	5	0	0	0	Daugherty dh	4	0	2	2
Deer rf	4	0	1	0	Incaviglia lf	3	1	1	0
Surhoff c	3	0	2	0	Petralli c	3	0	0	0
Vaughn lf	4	0	0	0	Gonzalez cf	4	0	1	1
Spiers ss	3	1	1	0	Kunkel 3b	4	0	0	0
Felder ph	1	0	0	0					
Diaz ss	0	0	0	0					
Totals	36	3	11	3	Totals	35	6	10	6

Milwaukee	210	000	000- 3
Texas	230	000	10x- 6

E-Sierra, Edens, Huson. DP-Texas 1. LOB-Milwaukee 12, Texas 9. 2B-Yount, Surhoff 2. 3B-Molitor, Gonzalez. HR-Franco (10). SB-Huson (9), Sierra (8), Spiers (10). SF-Parker.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Edens (L 4-3)	1 2-3	4	5	4	2	0
Brown	3 1-3	4	0	0	2	4
Machado	3	2	1	1	0	2
Texas						
Alexander	1 2-3	5	3	3	2	2
Moyer (W 2-6)	2 1-3	4	0	0	1	0
Mielke	3	1	0	0	0	1
Jeffcoat (S 5)	2	1	0	0	0	1

Moyer pitched to two batters in the fifth.

HBP-By Alexander (Parker); By Moyer (Parker).

Umpires-Home, McKean; 1b, Voltaggio; 2b, Kaiser; 3b, Johnson.

T-3:02. A-37,906.

SEATTLE CALIFORNIA

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	6	4	3	0	Polonia lf	4	0	2	0
Martinez dh	4	2	3	1	Ray 2b	4	0	1	0
Briley dh	1	0	0	0	CDavis dh	4	0	0	0
Cotto cf	4	0	2	1	Winfield rf	4	1	2	1
Leonard lf	3	0	2	2	Stevens 1b	4	1	0	0
Buhner rf	5	0	2	2	Howell 3b	3	0	1	1
O'Brien 1b	4	1	1	0	Schofield ss	3	0	0	0
Valle c	4	0	1	0	Orton c	3	0	0	0
Schaefer 3b	5	0	1	0	White cf	3	0	0	0
Brumley ss	4	0	1	0					
ADavis ph	0	0	0	1					
Totals	40	7	16	7	Totals	32	2	6	2

Seattle	110	202	001-	7
California	010	001	000-	2

E-Howell. DP-Seattle 1, California 2. LOB-Seattle 13, California 5. 2B-Howell, Reynolds, O'Brien. HR-Winfield (19). S- Cotto. SF-ADavis.

		IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle							
Hanson (W 15-9)		9	6	2	2	2	6
California							
Abbott (L 10-13)	5	1-3	12	6	5	3	2
Fetters	1	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Minton		1	1	0	0	0	0
Eichhorn		1	2	1	1	1	0

WP-Hanson. Balk-Abbott. HBP-By Minton (Leonard).

Umpires-Home, Reed; 1b, Cooney; 2b, Brinkman; 3b, Cousins.

T-2:53. A-27,948.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

PHILADELPHIA NEW YORK

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	2	0	0	1	Miller cf	2	1	0	0
Thon ss	4	0	0	0	Magadan 1b	4	1	1	0
Kruk lf	4	0	0	0	Herr 2b	3	1	0	0
Murphy rf	4	1	3	1	Strawberry rf	4	0	2	0
Jordan 1b	4	1	1	0	McReynlds lf	1	0	0	0

Daulton c	4	0	1	0	Tabler lf	2	0	2	2
CHayes 3b	4	0	1	0	Boston cf	1	0	0	0
Ready 2b	2	0	0	0	Jefferies 3b	2	0	0	1
Meadows pr	0	0	0	0	HJohnson ss	4	1	2	0
Mulholland p	2	0	0	0	Obrien c	3	0	0	0
Hollins ph	1	0	0	0	Viola p	3	0	0	0
Boever p	0	0	0	0	Franco p	0	0	0	0
VHayes ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	32	2	6	2	Totals	29	4	7	3

Philadelphia	010	000	001-	2
New York	003	001	00x-	4

E-Mulholland, Ready. DP-Philadelphia 1, New York 1. LOB-Philadelphia 7, New York 8. HR-Murphy (23). S-Viola. SF- Jefferies.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Mulholland (L 8-9)	6	6	4	3	5	2
Boever	2	1	0	0	0	1
New York						
Viola (W 19-9)	8	5	2	2	3	9
Franco (S 33)	1	1	0	0	1	2

Viola pitched to 1 batter in the 9th inning.

WP-Mulholland.

Umpires-Home, Rippley; 1b, Darling; 2b, Froemming; 3b, Pulli.

T-2:39. A-45,202.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Javier cf	4	1	2	0	Doran 2b	3	0	0	0
Sharpersn 3b	3	0	1	0	Larkin ss	4	0	0	0
Harris 3b	1	0	1	0	Morris 1b	4	0	0	0
Daniels lf	4	0	1	1	Davis lf	4	0	2	0
Murray 1b	4	0	1	0	O'Neill rf	4	0	1	0
Brooks rf	4	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	4	0	1	0
Scioscia c	3	1	1	0	Reed c	4	0	0	0
Samuel 2b	4	1	2	2	Hatcher cf	3	0	1	0
Griffin ss	4	0	0	0	Jackson p	2	0	0	0
Martinez p	3	0	0	0	Scudder p	0	0	0	0
					Quinones ph	1	0	1	0
					Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0
					Brown p	0	0	0	0

Totals	34	3	9	3	Totals	33	0	6	0

Los Angeles	001	000	200-	3
Cincinnati	000	000	000-	0

LOB-Los Angeles 5, Cincinnati 7. 2B-Sabo. HR-Samuel (11). SB-Javier (13), Davis (15).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Martinez (W 18-6)	9	6	0	0	1	7
Cincinnati						
Jackson (L 5-5)	7	6	3	3	1	5
Scudder	1	2	0	0	0	1
Rodriguez	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Brown	2-3	1	0	0	0	1

WP-Martinez.

Umpires-Home, Marsh; 1b, Wendelstedt; 2b, West; 3b, Hirschbeck.

T-2:32. A-45,751.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts lf	4	1	1	0	LSmith lf	4	1	3	2
Templeton ss	6	0	1	1	Treadway 2b	3	0	2	0
Gwynn rf	2	1	1	2	Lemke pr	1	0	0	0
Abner rf	3	0	0	0	Gant cf	5	0	1	0
Clark 1b	2	0	0	0	Justice rf	5	0	0	0
Carter cf	5	0	2	1	Gregg 1b	4	0	0	0
Santiago c	5	1	2	0	Presley 3b	5	0	0	0
Pagliarulo 3b	4	0	0	0	Whitt c	5	1	1	0
Cora 2b	5	2	4	0	Blauser ss	5	1	3	1
Benes p	1	0	0	0	Smoltz p	2	0	0	0
GwHarris p	0	0	0	0	Bell ph	1	0	0	0
Lefferts p	0	0	0	0	Freeman p	0	0	0	0
Lynn ph	1	0	1	1	McDowell ph	0	0	0	0
Show p	0	0	0	0	Cabrera ph	1	0	0	0
					Parrett p	0	0	0	0
					Castillo p	0	0	0	0
					Kremers ph	1	0	0	0
					Rosario pr	0	0	0	0
Totals	38	5	12	5	Totals	42	3	10	3

San Diego	003	000	000	02-	5
Atlanta	000	000	102	00-	3

E-Presley. DP-Atlanta 3. LOB-San Diego 10, Atlanta 11. 2B-Treadway, Whitt. 3B-Gwynn. HR-Blauser (7), L. Smith (8). SB- Lynn (2). S-Benes 2, Gw. Harris, Pagliarulo. SF-L. Smith.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Benes	6	7	1	1	2	5
Gw. Harris	2 1-3	2	1	1	0	5
Lefferts (W 7-4)	1 2-3	1	1	1	1	2
Show (S 1)	1	0	0	0	0	0
Atlanta						
Smoltz	7	8	3	3	4	4
Freeman	2	1	0	0	0	0
Parrett (L 5-10)	1 1-3	2	2	2	1	1
Castillo	2-3	1	0	0	1	0

Benes pitched to 2 batters in 7th.

WP-Smoltz. HBP-by Show (L.Smith).

Umpires-Home, Layne; 1b, Barnes; 2b, Winters; 3b, Davis.

T-3:30. A-7,390.

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Redus 1b	3	1	1	1	Raines lf	4	1	2	0
Bream 1b	1	0	0	0	DeShields 2b	4	0	1	1
Bell ss	2	1	0	0	Galarraga 1b	4	0	0	0
VanSlyke cf	3	1	1	2	Wallach 3b	3	1	0	0
Bonilla rf	4	0	1	0	Grissom rf	3	1	1	0
Bonds lf	4	0	0	0	Nixon cf	3	1	1	0
King 3b	3	0	0	0	Santovenia c	2	0	1	0
Bilardello c	3	0	1	0	Noboa ph	0	0	0	1
Backman ph	1	0	0	0	Mercado c	0	0	0	0
Lind 2b	2	0	0	0	Burke p	0	0	0	0
Merced ph	1	0	0	0	Owen ss	3	0	2	2
Smith p	3	0	0	0	Nabholz p	1	0	0	0
Patterson p	0	0	0	0	Alou ph	1	0	0	0
Belinda p	0	0	0	0	Sampen p	0	0	0	0
Reynolds ph	1	0	0	0	Ruskin p	0	0	0	0
					Fitzgerald c	1	0	0	0
Totals	31	3	4	3	Totals	29	4	8	4

Pittsburgh	100	020	000-	3
Montreal	100	000	30x-	4

E-King. DP-Pittsburgh 2. LOB- Pittsburgh 6, Montreal 2. 2B-Bonilla, DeShields. 3B-Raines. HR-Redus (6), Van Slyke (15). SB-Nixon (45). SF-Noboa.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Smith (L 10-8)	7	7	4	1	0	3
Patterson	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Belinda	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Montreal						
Nabholz	6	3	3	3	5	3
Sampen (W 11-6)	1	0	0	0	0	1
Ruskin	2-3	1	0	0	0	2
Burke (S 19)	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Umpires- Home, Bonin; 1b, Hohn; 2b, Tata; 3b, Quick.

T-2:22. A-20,392.

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	2	1	1	1	Yelding cf	4	1	1	0
Kingery rf	3	0	0	0	Candaele 2b	4	0	1	0
Litton rf	2	0	1	0	Rhodes rf	4	0	0	0
Laga 1b	3	0	0	0	Stubbs lf	3	1	3	1
Bass ph	0	0	0	0	Young cf	0	0	0	0
Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0	Caminiti 3b	5	0	2	1
Mitchell lf	3	0	1	1	Oberkfell 1b	4	0	0	0
MaWillims 3b	4	0	0	0	Biggio c	4	0	1	1
Kennedy c	4	0	0	0	Ramirez ss	4	0	0	0
RoThmpsn 2b	4	1	1	0	Scott p	1	0	0	0
Uribe ss	3	0	1	0	Anthony ph	1	0	0	0
FOliveras p	0	0	0	0	Osuna p	0	0	0	0
WClark 1b	1	0	0	0	XHernandz p	0	0	0	0
Lacoss p	1	0	0	0	LGonzalez ph	0	1	0	0
Riles ss	1	0	0	0					
Benjamin ss	1	0	0	0					
Totals	32	2	5	2	Totals	34	3	8	3

(Two outs when winning run scored.)

San Francisco	001	000	010	0-2
Houston	010	000	010	1-3

E-Caminiti, Ramirez. DP-San Francisco 1, Houston 1. LOB-San Francisco 6, Houston 9. 2B-Litton. SB-Yelding (57). CS-Yelding. S-Lacoss, Candaele. SF-Butler, Mitchell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

San Francisco							
Lacoss		6	5	1	1	2	2
FOliveras		1	1	0	0	0	1
Bedrosian (L 8-9)	2	2-3	2	2	2	4	0

Houston							
Scott		7	4	1	1	1	4
Osuna		1-3	1	1	1	2	0
XHernandez (W 1-0)	2	2-3	0	0	0	0	1

Umpires-Home, McSherry; 1b, Montague; 2b, Davidson; 3b, C Williams.

T-2:56. A-13,370.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Walton cf	3	2	0	0	Gilkey lf	3	1	1	0
Sandberg 2b	4	2	3	4	Pena 2b	4	0	1	0
Grace 1b	5	0	1	0	Oquendo 2b	0	0	0	0
Dawson rf	3	0	0	0	Lankford cf	2	1	1	2
May lf	3	0	0	0	Guerrero 1b	4	0	0	0
Lancaster p	1	0	0	0	Zeile 3b	4	0	0	0
Salazar 3b	4	0	1	0	Thompson rf	3	0	0	0
GSmith ss	4	1	1	0	Pagnozzi c	4	0	0	0
Girardi c	3	0	0	0	Jones ss	3	0	0	0
Kramer p	1	0	0	0	DeLeon p	2	0	0	0
DwSmith lf	2	1	1	1	DiPino p	0	0	0	0
Dascenzo lf	0	0	0	0	Walling ph	1	0	1	0
					Coleman pr	0	0	0	0
					Terry p	0	0	0	0
					Brewer ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	33	6	7	5	Totals	31	2	4	2

Chicago	002	000	301- 6
St. Louis	002	000	000- 2

E-Gilkey. LOB-Chicago 6, St. Louis 7. 2B- Salazar, Walling. 3B-G. Smith. HR-Sandberg 2 (36), Lankford (3). SB-Thompson (23), Gilkey (1). S-Kramer.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Kramer	5	2	2	2	4	4
Lancaster (W 8-5)	4	2	0	0	1	1
St. Louis						
DeLeon (L 7-17)	6 1-3	6	5	4	4	6
DiPino	2-3	0	0	0	1	0

Terry 2 1 1 1 0 2

Umpires-Home, Harvey; 1b, DeMuth; 2b, Gregg; 3b, Crawford.

T-2:47. A-42,282.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - NFL STANDINGS

American Conference
East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	1	0	0	1.000	26	10
Miami	1	0	0	1.000	27	24
New England	0	1	0	.000	24	27
NY Jets	0	1	0	.000	20	25
Indianapolis	0	1	0	.000	10	26

Central

Cincinnati	1	0	0	1.000	25	20
Cleveland	1	0	0	1.000	13	3
Pittsburgh	0	1	0	.000	3	13
Houston	0	1	0	.000	27	47

West

Kansas City	1	0	0	1.000	24	21
LA Raiders	1	0	0	1.000	14	9
San Diego	0	1	0	.000	14	17
Denver	0	1	0	.000	9	14
Seattle	0	1	0	.000	0	17

National Conference

East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Washington	1	0	0	1.000	31	0
Dallas	1	0	0	1.000	17	14
NY Giants	1	0	0	1.000	27	20
Philadelphia	0	1	0	.000	20	27
Phoenix	0	1	0	.000	0	31

Central

Chicago	1	0	0	1.000	17	0
Tampa Bay	1	0	0	1.000	38	21
Green Bay	1	0	0	1.000	36	24

Minnesota	0	1	0	.000	21	24
Detroit	0	1	0	.000	21	38
West						
Atlanta	1	0	0	1.000	47	27
San Francisco	1	0	0	1.000	13	12
LA Rams	0	1	0	.000	24	36
New Orleans	0	1	0	.000	12	13

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - Kelly Gruber is transforming Toronto into a comeback team at an opportune time.

For the second consecutive night, Gruber was part of a ninth-inning rally lifting the Blue Jays to victory and a close race with the AL East-leading Boston Red Sox.

Gruber's three-run ninth inning homer Saturday afternoon gave Toronto a 4-3 win over the Baltimore Orioles. Boston's 7-4 loss to Chicago in the evening helped the Blue Jays to pull to within two games.

Gruber also scored the tying run Friday night in another three-run ninth for an 8-7 triumph over Baltimore.

''I've got a feeling about this team,'' Gruber said. ''We're the comeback Jays again. I knew it when I joined this team and we're going to do it.''

Before Friday's game, the Blue Jays were 1-60 when trailing after eight innings.

Trailing 3-1 in the ninth, Mookie Wilson led off with a single and went to third on a single by Tony Fernandez. Gruber then drove a 2-0 pitch by Curt Schilling, 1-2, over the left-field fence for his 27th homer. Schilling replaced Orioles starter Pete Harnisch to start the ninth.

''Kelly has been hitting really well over the past eight or nine games,'' Blue Jays Manager Cito Gaston said. ''It was a great comeback that no one expected. Two days in a row to come back like that? Wow.''

Reliever Willie Blair, 3-5, retired two batters on three pitches Friday and Saturday, and picked up victories in both games.

''If he could pitch 14 more like that we'd be in business,'' Gaston said. ''I couldn't expect more from him.''

Baltimore shortstop Cal Ripken played well in the loss. In the fifth inning,

Cal and Billy Ripken gave the Orioles a 2-1 lead when they became the first brothers to hit homers in the same inning since Hank and Tommy Aaron did it July 12, 1962, for the Braves.

With his 214th career home run, Cal Ripken became the American League's all-time home-run leader for shortstops, breaking the record of 213 set by Vern Stephens.

--- AROUND THE AL ---

In other American League action, Detroit edged New York 4-3, Oakland dropped Minnesota 4-1, Chicago downed Boston 7-4, Cleveland pummeled Kansas City 14-6, Texas tripped Milwaukee 6-3 and Seattle pounded California 7-2.

Tigers 4, Yankees 3

At Detroit, rookie Milt Cuyler tripled home two runs and Frank Tanana won his third straight start since returning from the bullpen to lift Detroit. Tanana, 8-7, is unbeaten in five starts since returning from a five-game exile to the bullpen. Edwin Nunez collected his sixth save. Yankee rookie Dave Eiland, 0-1, was the loser.

Athletics 4, Twins 1

At Oakland, Calif., Bob Welch allowed two hits over eight innings for his major league-leading 24th victory and Willie McGee singled home two runs in a four-run seventh inning to guide the A's. Welch, 24-6, walked one, hit a batter and struck out two. Dennis Eckersley, who pitched the ninth for his 43rd save of the season and 137th of his career, broke Rollie Fingers' team record for career saves. Paul Abbott, 0-4, was the loser.

White Sox 7, Red Sox 4

At Chicago, Lance Johnson collected three hits and Bobby Thigpen notched his 50th save, leading the White Sox. The setback was Boston's third straight and reduced its lead in the AL East to two games over Toronto. Greg Hibbard, 13-8, allowed four runs and seven hits in 6 1-3 innings. Greg Harris, 13-7, took the loss.

Indians 14, Royals 6

At Kansas City, Mo., rookie Turner Ward drove in six runs with a three-run homer and a bases-loaded triple and scored three runs to pace Cleveland to its fourth straight victory. Greg Swindell, 11-8, picked up the victory despite allowing 13 hits and six runs in 5 1-3 innings. Andy McGaffigan, 3-3, lasted 1 2-3 innings. The Royals lost for the 11th time in 12 games.

Rangers 6, Brewers 3

At Arlington, Texas, Julio Franco's 10th homer of the season put Texas in front in the second inning and three Texas relievers combined for seven shutout innings. Jamie Moyer, 2-6, pitched 2 1-3 innings for the victory. Loser Tom Edens, 4-3, gave up five runs over the first two innings.

Mariners 7, Angels 2

At Anaheim, Calif., Harold Reynolds collected three hits and scored four times to back Erik Hanson's six-hit pitching and help Seattle. In completing his third game, Hanson, 15-9, struck out six and walked two. The Mariners tagged loser Jim Abbott, 10-13, for five earned runs on 12 hits in his 5 1-3 innings.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - The footsteps that the Cincinnati Reds hear are coming from the Los Angeles Dodgers - and they're getting louder.

''We're getting closer, we're getting a better chance to win the divison,'' Ramon Martinez said after he permitted only six hits Saturday night in pitching his 10th complete game, leading the Dodgers to a 3-0 victory over the Cincinnati Reds.

The win, the Dodgers' second over the Reds in two nights, enabled Los Angeles to pull to within 4 1-2 games of National League West-leading Cincinnati.

At one point this season, the Dodgers trailed the Reds by 13 1-2 games.

''This was an important win for us,'' Martinez said. ''The closer we get, the more pressure we put on the Reds. We've got to keep winning to put even more pressure on them.''

So far the Dodgers have, going 38-25 since the All-Star break. Cincinnati, on the other hand, has gone 31-34 down the same stretch.

Reds Manager Lou Piniella has experienced pennant races before and knows that his team has to win.

''This makes Sunday's game (against Los Angeles) more important,'' Piniella said. ''If we win, we're in good shape. If we beat them, they really haven't picked up anything.''

Los Angeles Manager Tommy Lasorda agreed.

''Tomorrow (Sunday) is a very big game,'' Lasorda said. ''It's a big game for us as well as for them. It means the difference between 3 1-2 games out and 5 1-2 games out.''

And if the Dodgers keep getting pitching performances like that of Martinez, then the Reds will be closer to losing their first place grip.

Martinez, 18-6, pitched his third shutout of the season and raised his record to 3-0 against Cincinnati this year. Last week, he pitched a complete game and beat Cincinnati 6-4.

''I felt so great,'' he said. ''I felt real strong all the way. My fastball was moving and I thought my curves and changeups were very good. If I keep pitching this way, I think I can win 20 games this year.''

The hard-throwing right-hander struck out seven and walked one. Martinez leads the majors in complete games with 10 and tops the National League in strikeouts with 207.

Danny Jackson, 5-5, gave up six hits and three runs over seven innings as he lost for the third straight time.

''Jackson pitched well, but it just so happened that the Dodger pitcher was better,'' Piniella said. ''Martinez has been beating a lot of teams this year.''

--- AROUNS THE NL ---

In other National League games, New York dropped Philadelphia 4-2, Montreal rallied past Pittsburgh 4-3, San Diego scalped Atlanta 5-3 in 11 innings, Houston edged San Francisco 3-2 in 10 innings and Chicago grounded St. Louis 6-2.

Mets 4, Phillies 2

At New York, Pat Tabler's two-run bases loaded single in the third inning enabled the Mets to pull within a half-game of Pittsburgh. Frank Viola, 19-9, pitched a five-hitter. John Franco earned his 33rd save. Terry Mulholland, 8-9 allowed all four runs and took the loss. Since the Mets acquired him in August, Tabler is 2-for-2 with four RBI with the bases loaded.

Expos 4, Pirates 3

At Montreal, Spike Owens' two-run single in the seventh lifted Montreal past a slumping Pittsburgh, which lost its fourth straight. Zane Smith, 10-8, took the loss. Bill Sampen, 11-6, got the win. Tim Burke pitched the final 1 1-3 innings for his 19th save.

Padres 5, Braves 3, 11 innings

At Atlanta, Pinch-hitter Fred Lynn singled home Benito Santiago for the

go-ahead run with one out in the 11th inning to lead San Diego. Jeff Parrett, fell to 5-10. Craig Lefferts, 7-4, got the win.

Astros 3, Giants 2, 10 innings

At Houston, Ken Caminiti's bases-loaded single with two out in the 10th drove home Luis Gonzalez and lifted the Astros. San Francisco remained 6 1-2 games behind first-place Cincinnati. Xavier Hernandez, 1- 0 earned the win. Steve Bedrosian, 8-9, allowed Caminiti's hit and took the loss.

Cubs 6, Cardinals 2

At St. Louis, Ryne Sandberg belted his National League-leading 35th and 36th homers and drove in four runs to power Chicago. It was Sandberg's 17th career multi-homer game and his fourth this season. Les Lancaster, 8-5, earned the victory with four innings of two-hit relief. Jose DeLeon, lost his fifth straight game, allowing five runs in 6 1-3 innings to fall to 7-17.

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UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 16) UPI - The U.N. Security Council voted unanimously early Sunday to condemn Iraq for sending troops into foreign embassies and detaining diplomats in occupied Kuwait.

Summoned for an urgent meeting at the request of France and Canada, the council voted 15-0 for a resolution that also contained a warning that ''concrete measures'' against Iraq will follow.

The Security Council ''strongly condemns aggressive acts perpetrated by Iraq against diplomatic premises and personnel in Kuwait, as well as the abduction of foreign nationals,'' the resolution said.

The council demanded the Iraqi government of President Saddam Hussein immediately release all foreign nationals, respect international conventions on diplomatic and consular missions and protect diplomatic personnel.

On Friday, Iraqi troops entered the diplomatic compounds of France, Belgium and Canada in Iraq-occupied Kuwait and detained five Western diplomats - including an American - who were later released, and three French civilians whose whereabouts could not be determined.

The Netherlands Embassy in Kuwait was violated earlier last week, but no diplomats were detained.

The incidents were the latest in a series of harassing actions taken since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, announced that it had annexed its oil- rich neighbor and said it had stripped embassy personnel in Kuwait of diplomatic

immunity.

Thomas Pickering, the U.S. representative to the United Nations, said during the early morning debate leading to Sunday's vote that Iraq had displayed a preference for force over diplomacy. He said additional measures against Iraq should be taken ''quickly.''

The Security Council resolution said the council will hold urgent consultations to take ''further concrete measures as soon as possible'' under Chapter 7 of the U.N. Charter to deal with ''Iraq's continued violation of the charter, U.N. resolutions and international law.''

Chapter 7 contains measures the council can take to punish a U.N. member state for violating international peace and security. The charter serves as the constitution of the 45-year-old United Nations.

The council has already imposed a Chapter 7 trade and arms embargo on Iraq for occupying Kuwait.

France's representative to the United Nations, Pierre-Louis Blanc, told the council before the vote that Iraq has launched a ''new aggression of an intolerable character'' aimed at the whole international community.

Blanc said the world is determined to take ''other measures'' against Iraq.

Canada's U.N. representative, Yves Fortier, said Iraqi troops briefly detained two Canadian diplomats after storming the Canadian mission. He said the action was ''totally unacceptable.''

U.N. diplomats said one of the punitive measures that might be taken is an air blockade, but one said the issue is a complex one and would require a study of international law before it can be adopted.

Kuwait's U.N. permanent representative, Mohammad Abulhassan, told reporters that the council should take ''new elements of sanctions'' against Iraq for not abiding by U.N. resolutions.

Separately, France reacted strongly Saturday to the seizure of its nationals. President Francois Mitterrand ordered 4,000 additional French troops to the Persian Gulf and the expulsion of Iraqi diplomats.

French government sources said a dozen Iraqi military attaches and other persons considered ''intelligence agents'' operating in France would be expelled, along with 26 military trainees.

France already has 9,000 troops and 14 warships in the Persian Gulf.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

Batting

(Minimum 335 at-bats)
American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	444	109	145	.327
Brett, KC	505	77	164	.325
Palmeiro, Tex	533	66	171	.321
Boggs, Bos	565	84	176	.312
Trammell, Det	521	67	162	.311
McGriff, Tor	493	85	150	.304
Parker, Mil	550	66	167	.304
Burks, Bos	524	80	159	.303
Harper, Min	442	58	134	.303
CJames, Cle	475	55	144	.303

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Dykstra, Phi	540	98	181	.335
Magadan, NY	397	68	129	.325
Murray, LA	495	85	157	.317
LSmith, Atl	409	62	127	.311
Dawson, Chi	477	61	148	.310
Bonds, Pit	475	95	147	.309
Grace, Chi	530	63	164	.309
Gwynn, SD	573	79	177	.309
Doran, Cin	374	56	115	.307

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 46; McGwire, Oak 37; Canseco, Oak 36; McGriff, Tor 34; Deer, Mil and Gruber, Tor 27.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 36; Mitchell, SF and Strawberry, NY 34; Bonilla, Pit 31; Williams, SF 30.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 118; Gruber, Tor 104; McGwire, Oak 103; Canseco Oak 93; Sierra, Tex and Parker, Mil 88.

National League - Williams, SF 111; Bonds, Pit and Carter, SD 107; Bonilla, Pit, 106; Strawberry, NY 100.

Doubles

American League - Brett, KC and Boggs, Bos 43; Jo.Reed, Bos 42; Calderon, Chi 41; Harper, Min 39.

National League - Jefferies, NY 38; Dykstra, Phi, Bonilla, Pit, Sabo, Cin 35; Johnson, NY, Roberts, SD, Presley, Atl and Wallach, Mtl 34.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 16; Sosa, Chi 9; Liriano, Min and Burks, Bos 8; Johnson, Chi, Brett and Eisenreich, KC, Felix, Tor and Pettis, Tex 7.

National League - Duncan, Cin 11; Gwynn, SD 10; Coleman, StL 9; Dunston, Chi and L.Smith, Atl 8.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 60; Kelly, NY 38; Sax, NY 36; Pettis, Tex 33; Johnson, Chi 32.

National League - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 57; Bonds, Pit 47; Nixon, Mtl 45; Raines, Mtl and Butler, SF 43.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 109; Fielder, Det 93; Yount, Mil 91; Reynolds, Sea, Franco, Tex 88; Phillips, Det 87.

National League - Bonilla, Pit and Sandberg, Chi 105; Dykstra, Phi 98; Gant, Atl and Bonds, Pit 95.

Hits

American League - Boggs, Bos 176; Palmeiro, Tex 171; Parker, Mil, Griffey, Jr, Sea 167; Kelly, NY, 165.

National League - Dykstra, Phi 181; Gwynn, SD 177; Sandberg, Chi 170; McGee, StL 168; Larkin, Cin 167.

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 24; Clemens, Bos and Stewart, Oak 20; Stieb, Tor and Finley, Cal 18.

National League - Drabek, Pit and Viola, NY 19; Martinez, LA 18; Gooden, NY 17; Smoltz, Atl, Browning, Cin, Valenzuela, LA and Maddux, Chi 13.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 115 innings pitched) American League - Clemens, Bos 1.98; Finley, Cal 2.45; Stewart, Oak 2.70; McCaskill, Cal, 2.87; Appier, KC 2.91.

National League - Darwin, Hou, 2.04; Tudor, StL 2.40; Whitson, SD 2.42; Viola, NY 2.55; Drabek, Pit 2.75.

Strikeouts

American League - Ryan, Tex 208; Clemens, Bos 204; Witt, Tex 196; Hanson, Sea 191; Johnson, Sea 177; Langston, Cal 174.

National League - Martinez, LA 207; Cone, NY 201; Gooden, NY 194; Fernandez, NY 168; Viola, NY 164.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi 50; Eckersley, Oak 43; Jones, Cle 35; Righetti, NY 32; Olson, Bal 31.

National League - Franco, NY 33; Myers, Cin 29; Smith, StL 26; Lefferts, SD and Smith, Hou 23.

Complete Games

American League - Morris, Det and Stewart, Oak 9; Clemens, Bos 7; Gordon, KC, Brown and Witt, Tex, Leary, NY, Young, Sea and Finley, Cal 6.

National League - Martinez, LA 10; Maddux, Chi, Drabek, Pit, De.Martinez, Mtl, Hurst, SD and Viola, NY 7.

Shutouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 4; Appier, KC and Stewart, Oak 3; 11 players tied with 2.

National League - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner and Boyd, Mtl, Martinez, LA, Viola, NY Whitson and Hurst, SD 3.

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#90259u0254 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (SEPT. 16) UPI - Iraqi border guards allowed more Kuwaitis across the newly reopened frontier into Saudi Arabia Sunday, but stripped the refugees of all identification documents before letting them leave their homeland, officials and witnesses said.

Residents of the Saudi border town of Khafji and refugees who had entered the kingdom said at least 100 vehicles had crossed since the border was inexplicably opened Saturday morning after being sealed for weeks by Baghdad's invasion force.

They said in telephone interviews that about another 100 carloads of people were awaiting clearance from Iraqi personnel at a checkpoint some 5 miles inside the conquered emirate.

There was no announcement from Baghdad on why the frontier had been opened, and the reason for the policy change remained unclear.

Refugees had previously been able to flee Kuwait into Saudi Arabia by veering off the road and traversing the desert, but now are free to exit by the main freeway.

Saudi government officials said the Iraqi government of President Saddam Hussein might be trying to relieve pressure on its western neighbor, Jordan, which has been swamped with tens of thousands of foreign workers, mostly South Asians and Filipinos, fleeing from Kuwait.

But the refugee trail into Saudi Arabia has so far been purely Kuwaiti, and several of those who arrived believed Saddam now intends to colonize Kuwait with Iraqis, or is trying to spread havoc in Saudi Arabia, where a U.S.-led multinational military force is assembling to prevent further Iraqi aggression.

''I think this is a plan to keep Kuwait empty,'' said one of the new arrivals, who, like all those interviewed, insisted on anonymity because they fear reprisals against friends and relatives remaining in their homeland. ''Maybe Saddam wants to continue his plan to bring Iraqis into Kuwait.''

The refugees reported that Palestinians were now performing essential services in Kuwait, and that, recently, arrivals had included Iraqis from northern areas of the nation that are bastions of support for Saddam's Arab socialist Ba'athist Party.

The refugees all said Iraqi border guards had ordered them to sign their names in a book before they were stripped of all identification and, in some cases, money, jewelery and other valuables.

''They told me I can go outside and that I can't come back ever again,'' one refugee said.

The Kuwaitis predicted more of their compatriots would follow them out of the country.

''The news is spreading fast,'' one said. ''I heard it at 11 o'clock. I got my

family together and left at 1 o'clock.''

Many of those interviewed said that, since Friday, there appeared to have been an Iraqi move to escalate intimidation of civilians to fuel an exodus.

One said the Iraqis apparently believed they had secured their defenses against any invasion, and were now concentrating on imposing their rule in the annexed nation, something they had not done with great perseverance before.

One person said Iraqi soldiers had stormed into his home and held a gun to the head of his son to compel him to work for the new administration, which is being undermined by mass absenteeism as a protest over the occupation.

All the Kuwaitis said armed resistance - which the nation's government-in-exile claims is mounting - had actually diminished, with shootings now minimal and the Iraqis relentlessly hunting down anyone who opposed their will.

One Kuwaiti said Baghdad's troops last week entered a supermarket and ordered the manager to hang up a protrait of Saddam and declared allegiance to Baghdad.

When the manager refused, the soldiers dragged him into an aisle of the store, blindfolded him, and killed him with three shots to the head.

But contrary to other reports, the refugees said the Iraqis appeared to have plenty of food.

''There is everything that you want,'' an elderly Kuwaiti man said. ''There is at least three months of food.''

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#90259u0258 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (SEPT. 16) UPI - Leftist protesters clashed with riot police at the U.S. Embassy Sunday as officials prepared for talks this week on the future of U.S. military bases in the Philippines, police said. One protester was injured.

Police Capt. Honorato Laurel said the brief melee erupted at the close of a three-hour protest at a park across from the seafront embassy when police chased 10 protesters who remained after the main group of about 100 trade union workers dispersed.

A worker, Manuel Arcales, 22, pitched a tiny homemade bomb at truncheon-wielding police officers running after him and was shot by embassy security guard Manuel Elepanta, Laurel said. Five other protesters were reported arrested.

U.S. and Philippine officials were expected on Tuesday to begin the second round of talks on the renewal of a 1947 treaty covering six facilities, including the sprawling Clark Air Base and Subic Bay naval complex. The treaty expires in September 1991.

Leftist groups have threatened to mount demonstrations in Manila during the talks.

Philippine authorities have stepped up security at Clark in Angeles city and at Subic in Olongapo following threats from the communist New People's Army against some 41,000 troops, military employees and dependents stationed at the facilities.

U.S. officials have suspended off-base leave and nonessential travel for the American servicemen. U.S. diplomats also have been placed on alert.

Ten Americans have been killed since October 1987 in attacks blamed on the 19,000-strong NPA, which has been battling the Manila government for 21 years. The fatalities included two visiting servicemen shot on the eve of exploratory talks on the bases in May.

President Corazon Aquino told United Press International on Friday she favors exploring a new relationship with the United States. But she stopped short of endorsing a proposed broad friendship treaty that would permit a continued U.S. military presence in the former American colony.

Washington provides Manila $461 million in aid annually in return for the use of the military bases.

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#90259u0265 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, India (SEPT. 16) UPI - A merchant ship sailed from southern India Sunday carrying 12,000 tons of food to Iraq, where it will unload the cargo and take on several hundred Indian citizens stranded by the Persian Gulf crisis.

The vessel Vishwa Siddhi was the first Indian supply ship to leave for Iraq since the U.N. Security Council approved a plan to let individual countries send food to Asian refugees stranded in the region. The Red Cross and other international agencies will distribute the supplies.

India sought U.N. approval for the plan after Baghdad told New Delhi it could send airplanes and ships to pick up Indian refugees trapped in Iraq and occupied Kuwait only if they arrived carrying food and medical supplies.

Nearly 200,000 Indian nationals were working in Iraq and Kuwait at the time of the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. More than 40,000 have returned to India

from various parts of the Middle East as part of a massive government airlift.

But several thousand remain in refugee camps in Jordan and another 150,000 are stranded in Kuwait and Iraq. The government of Prime Minister V.P. Singh has encouraged Indians to stay in Kuwait, hoping to evacuate them from there by sea, air or even land, should Iraq open its border with Iran.

The Vishwa Siddhi sailed from the southern port of Kochi carrying 10, 000 tons of rice, 200 tons of sugar, 11,000 pounds of tea and other food and medicine, the Press Trust of India reported. Foreign Ministry officials said the ship would carry a total of 12,000 tons of food and supplies.

K.P. Unnikrishnan, the national surface transport minister, saw the ship off and told the Press Trust the food would be distributed by the Indian branch of the Red Cross to all people, irrespective of their nationality.

Although Iraq has said it would not allow the Red Cross to distribute the food an Indian spokesman said the method of distribution would be negotiated. A government spokesman said Saturday that Red Cross officials, doctors and paramedics would be aboard the ship.

The departure of the Vishwa Siddhi came amid a massive Indian effort to evacuate thousands of refugees by air. About 3,500 stranded Indians are leaving Jordan daily on about 10 flights on two different routes.

Indian air force jets have been pressed into service for the effort along with airplanes from Air India and Indian Airlines, the nation's two civil air carriers.

Air India's fleet of Airbus-320 planes, many of which were grounded following a crash earlier this year, also have been put back into operation after the Cabinet approved their use.

With 40,000 refugees already flown home and tens of thousands waiting to come out, The Times of India said Sunday the operation was likely to become the biggest air evacuation of civilians in history.

The massive movement of Indians out of Jordan is expected to prompt the Jordanian government to allow more refugees into the country. Indian officials said a 50-bus convoy would begin running this week between Kuwait and the Iraqi border with Jordan, ferrying about 2,600 Indians daily.

But for many Indians stranded in overcrowded refugee camps for weeks, the rescue effort has been too long in coming and the trip home is a voyage into more uncertainty.

''These are the strangest flights I have flown,'' one airline attendant told the Times of India. ''Everyone is deadly quiet and reflective.''

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#90259u0269 09/16/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 16) UPI - Iraq will air President Bush's taped message to the Iraqi people, an official said Sunday, but it was not clear if Baghdad would give Iraqis enough notice to ensure a large audience.

In New York, the U.N. Security Council voted unanimously early Sunday to condemn Iraq for ordering its troops to enter foreign embassies in occupied Kuwait.

Kuwaiti refugees, meanwhile, continued streaming across the Kuwait-Saudi border after Iraq unexpectedly opened the frontier on Saturday, but no Western hostages were allowed to use the new exit from Iraq-occupied Kuwait.

Also Sunday, a senior U.S. Air Force general was quoted as saying a massive use of U.S. air power, including bombing aimed specifically at Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, would be the only effective option for forcing Baghdad out of Kuwait if war erupts in the Persian Gulf.

Bush's taped message was handed over to Foreign Ministry Undersecretary Nizar Hamdoun on Saturday in Baghdad, after the Iraqi ambassador in Washington earlier refused to accept it.

''Mr. Hamdoun's acceptance of the tape means it will definitely be aired on Iraqi television,'' an Iraqi official in Cairo said. ''But we do not yet know when. ... We expect it will be aired soon, perhaps today (Sunday).''

It was not immediately clear if Iraq planned to broadcast the Bush tape in full, or whether it would be cut.

''Even if they chop and change it, the Iraqi people will not know this, because they are cut off from the rest of the world by Iraq's jamming of foreign radio stations,'' one Western diplomat in the region said. ''If the Bush tape is broadcast without adequate prior warning, many Iraqis may miss it.''

The U.N. Security Council, including Cuba and Iraq's ally Yemen, voted 15-0 early Sunday to condemn the embassy violations and warned that ''concrete measures'' against Iraq will follow.

The council ''strongly condemns aggressive acts perpetrated by Iraq against diplomatic premises and personnel in Kuwait, as well as the abduction of foreign nationals,'' the resolution said.

The document demanded that the Iraqi government release immediately all foreign nationals, respect international conventions on diplomatic and

consular missions and protect diplomatic personnel.

The resolution followed Iraq's alleged invasion last week of the embassies of France, Canada, Belgium and the Netherlands in Kuwait, the kidnapping of their personnel and three French civilians and the ransacking of diplomatic premises.

The council said in the resolution that it will hold urgent consultations to take ''further concrete measures as soon as possible under Chapter 7 of the U.N. Charter'' to deal with ''Iraq's continued violation of the charter, U.N. resolutions and international law.''

France's U.N. representative, Pierre-Louis Blanc, said the world was determined to take ''other measures'' against Iraq. U.N. diplomats said one of the measures could be an air blockade to reinforce the existing land and sea quarantine.

But a senior British military commander in Saudi Arabia warned last week that imposing an air blockade on Iraq would be difficult unless countries neighboring Iraq agreed to police their own air space.

The commander also said it would also be difficult to stop civilian planes entering Iraqi air space, and accused Libya of ferrying military supplies to Baghdad by air.

Iraq expressed regret at Cuba and Yemen's decision to go along with the U.N. Security Council resolution.

''The American and Western will was still dominating the formulation of Security Council resolutions,'' Baghdad Radio quoted a government spokesman as saying.

Saudi officials and witnesses at the Saudi border point of Khafji said Sunday Iraqi border guards allowed more Kuwaitis to cross into Saudi Arabia along the main freeway after stripping the refugees of all identification documents and telling them never to return.

At least 100 vehicles had crossed since the border was unexpectedly opened Saturday morning and another hundred carloads of refugees were waiting to clear Iraqi checkpoints and leave. Iraq's invading force had previously sealed the frontier, although refugees had managed to escape across the desert to Saudi Arabia.

No Western hostages were reported among the carloads fleeing the oil- rich emirate Sunday, and one refugee said Saddam could be allowing Kuwaitis to leave to reduce the effectiveness of the small but growing resistance to Iraqi occupation.

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#90259u0271 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

DENVER, CO (SEPT. 16) UPI - Firefighters worked through the night tunneling through hard clay to rescue a 20-month-old boy early Sunday from a deep construction shaft where he had been trapped for 14 hours, authorities said.

Blond-haired, blue-eyed Kevin Davis was alert as he was pulled from the shaft at 6:02 a.m. MDT. He taken to Denver General Hosptial, Fire Department Lt. Robert Clark said.

''He was glad to get out of there,'' Clark said. ''He looked pretty good to me.''

A small crowd gathered at the construction site clapped and cheered as firefighters brought the boy out, imobilized on a back board.

Firefighters said the boy was cold, but the extent of his injuries was not immediately known.

The todler had cried, dozed and talked to his parents and rescue workers as firefighters dug a tunnel through hard clay soil parallel to the construction shaft soil to reach him.

''He sang and dozed and talked and they talked to him and sang to him to keep him alert,'' Clark said. ''He wanted out of there pretty bad. He cried.''

The boy's parents talked to him periodically throughout the ordeal. They said their son told them he was scared by the hissing of an oxygen line dropped to him by rescue workers.

The shaft had been dug in the backyard of the home, which the boy's parents had recently purchased in southeast Denver, as part of a remodeling project, Clark said.

''Part of the new construction consisted of drilling a hole, a cason, to support some of the foundation,'' Clark said. The hole, 15 to 18 inches across and 12 feet deep, was to be filled with concrete.

''About 4 p.m. Saturday the mother and small child went to look at the house and the boy fell down the hole,'' he said.

The boy was in a standing position but didn't have enough strength to grab onto anything that could have been lowered into the hole to bring him out, he said.

Firefighters worked through the night to dig the parallel tunnel about 6 feet from the construction shaft. Firefighters dug down about 15 feet and then tunneled across to reach the trapped todler.

The job was slowed when firefighters ran into heavy clay soil and were forced to shore up the walls of the tunnel to prevent them from collapsing.

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#90259u0294 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

BAY CITY, MI (SEPT. 16) UPI - An explosion ripped through a tanker unloading fuel at a petroleum depot in the Saginaw River Sunday, and reports said at least 14 people were injured.

The explosion rocked the tanker Jupiter at about 8:45 a.m., and the tanker was engulfed in flames, a Coast Guard Spokesman said.

There were 18 crew members on the tanker when the explosion occurred, and one crewman was missing, the spokesman said.

The Coast Guard called in a ship from its station in Port Huron to help contain oil leaking from the Jupiter.

Detroit radio station WWJ reported at least 14 people were injured. One of those injured suffered a heart attack, officials said.

The radio station also quoted a witness on shore saying he observed crewmen aboard the vessel abandoning the burning tanker.

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#90259u0310 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (SEPT. 16) UPI - Saudi Arabia's foreign minister arrived in the Soviet Union Sunday to sign a treaty reestablishing diplomatic relations broken more than 50 years ago, the official Tass news agency said.

''The program of the visit envisages talks of the Saudi representative with the Soviet leadership, as well as the signing of a treaty on establishing diplomatic relations between the two countries,'' Tass said.

Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal arrived in Moscow Sunday evening and was greeted by his Soviet counterpart, Eduard Shevardnadze, Tass said.

Saudi Arabia and the Soviet Union broke diplomatic relations more than 50 years ago, but in recent years there have been increasingly warm contacts between the staunchly anti-Communist Saudis and Soviet officials.

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#90259u0311 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (SEPT. 16) UPI - Thousands of Zulu men wearing

red headbands and carrying spears and axes massed at a stadium in the black township of Thokoza Sunday in a rally for peace after six weeks of urban black violence.

President Frederik de Klerk, who acknowledged Saturday unidentified forces trying to sabotage his 7-month-old racial reform program may be stirrring theblack-on-black conflict, is expected to announce further security measures this week before traveling to the United States for talks with President Bush.

More than 10,000 Zulus from the strife-torn township east of Johannesburg marched the the stadium under the escort of police in armored personnel carriers. They were cheered on by hundreds of women lining the streets and no incidents were reported.

Many Zulus wore traditional feathers and skins and engaged in war dances as they approached the stadium to hear King Goodwill Zwelethini, traditional monarch over South Africa's 6 million Zulus, appeal for an end to the fighting.

King Goodwill was joined by a Xhosa leader, Tutor Ndamase, in a symbolic disply of ethnic unity to try to end the fighting between Zulu supporters of the movement Inkatha and Xhosa members of the African National Congress.

A few ANC supporters also were seen in the crowd.

''I have come to this place to put out the fires of violence,'' said the 20-year ruler. ''I have come to tell my father's people who are here that I, as king of the Zulus, will not tolerate violence perpetrated in the name of KwaZulu (Zulu nation).''

''Everybody must lay down their arms and take their brother's hand in friendship,'' he said.

The rally followed the imposition by police on Saturday of Operation Iron Fist a security clampdown intended to crush the fighting that included roadblocks throughout the city and plans to seal off selected strife-torn areas with razor wire.

ANC leader Nelson Mandela condemned the measures as giving police a virtual license to kill ANC supporters and ineffective.

The Zulu king appealed to Mandela to meet the Zulus ''before it is too late'' but did not mention Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi by name.

Buthelezi has consistently demanded direct talks with Mandela as the only way to secure a lasting peace between their factions, which have been locked in battle in the Indian Ocean province of Natal since 1987, leaving as many as 4,000 dead.

The clashes spilled into black townships surrounding Johannesburg in early August, leaving more than 720 dead in mainly hand-to-hand street fighting.

King Goodwill said the conflict had taken on the proportions of a ''ethnic war'' because of the politicial differences between the modertate Inkatha and the more radical ANC.

He said it began in Thokoza - one of the hardest-hit areas - because the Inkatha supporters living in migrant worker hostels objected to a consumer boycott staged by the ANC in the nearby white town of Alberton.

''There has never been a war between Zulus and Xhosas. Any tendency for Zulus to strike out at Xhosas and Xhosas to do likewise must be eliminated now and eliminated immediately,'' he said.

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#90259u0312 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (SEPT. 16) UPI - Bargaining between the United Auto Workers and General Motors Corp. went round the clock Sunday morning as negotiators grappled with the tough issues of wages, pension and job security.

The union and nation's top carmaker agreed to extend the Friday midnight deadline of the current three-year pact in efforts to reach a settlement. The union is urging all GM workers to report to their jobs until further notice, although all of the automaker's domestic assembly plants are closed Sunday.

GM, the nation's largest automaker, could face the possibility of selected walkouts starting Monday if a contract covering its 310,000 U.S. workers is not tentatively agreed to.

The union has scheduled a Monday morning meeting of its 400-member GM bargaining council, to which it hopes to bring a tentative pact for its approval before the rank-and-file votes on it. But the meeting could also be used to update the council on any progess in the talks or discuss strike strategy.

Meanwhile, in Canada, talks between the striking Canadian Auto Workers union and Ford Motor Co. of Canada resumed Sunday morning after the two sides failed to reach an agreement covering about 12,800 Ford workers Friday night. Company spokesman Jim Hartford said the two sides were still far apart on the major issues of wages and paid time off. ''We are a considerable distance apart, but dialogue continues,'' Hartford said.

A prolonged walkout at Ford's nine Canadian assembly plants and one parts depot in Canada could affect Ford's U.S. operations within about 10 days to two weeks. Hardest hit may be Ford assembly plants in Michigan, Chicago and Atlanta that depend on V6 engines made at Ford's Windsor plant.

In the United States, GM and UAW negotiators appeared to still have differences on the ''money'' issues, most notably job security, as talks passed the 26-hour mark.

There is the possibility that there could be selected walkouts at GM facilities by Monday if an agreement is not reached. GM was hit by scattered walkouts in 1984 during a two-week period in which about 25 facilities were affected.

Strengthening the language on job security, partly by seeking tighter restrictions on plant closings, has been at the top of the union's agenda during the talks, which began in mid-July for contracts covering about 500,000 U.S. auto workers at the nation's Big Three automakers.

The UAW is hoping any agreement reached at GM will be used as a pattern at rival carmakers Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp.

It is expected that union local leaders at the council meeting will closely scrutinize any tentative agreement because the current 1987-90 pact allowed GM to lop 45,000 jobs from its payrolls by calling numerous plants ''indefinitely idled'' instead of closed, skirting what was thought to be a moratorium on all plant closings.

Indications are differences remain over the key issue of job security, particularly the fate of GM's 30,000 workers now on indefinite layoff.

GM has been seeking to reduce its work force through attrition and buyouts, but industry analysts say the top carmaker must close more assembly plants and cut employment by as much as 60,000 workers within the next three years.

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#90259u0375 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 16) UPI - The U-N Security Council has condemned Iraq and promises harsher action. The council voted 15-0 this morning to condemn Iraq's raids on foreign embassies in occupied Kuwait. The council said it will hold urgent consultations to take further measures against Iraq. U-N diplomats said one possibility is an air blockade. On Friday, Iraqi troops raided diplomatic compounds of France, Belgium and Canada.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev once invited Ronald Reagan to return to Moscow as a private citizen. The former president accepts the invitation today. He and his wife Nancy flew to Leningrad, a western Soviet city, last night. Today they go on to Moscow to meet with Gorbachev and other Soviet officials. Reagan was in Moscow two years ago for a summit meeting with Gorbachev.

Ford Motor's operations in the United States may be hurt if a strike against Ford Canada lasts a long time. The Canadian plants supply American plants. A Ford plant in Windsor, Ontario, is the only source of V-6 engines for many Ford cars. The Canadian Auto Workers struck yesterday, and negotiations are going on today. The issues are wages, pensions and benefits.

So far so good on the countdown for the shuttle Columbia. But Cape Canaveral workers have been disappointed by Columbia before. Launch is scheduled for Tuesday morning. If it does NOT blast off by Wednesday, another lengthy delay will be needed because of conflicts with other, more important launches. Columbia's astronomy flight was scheduled for May. It has been delayed longer than any other flight in shuttle history.

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#90259u0376 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 16) UPI - The Secret Service is trying to learn if one-Million dollars in counterfeit money found at a California university was printed on campus. Plumbers found the money in a sewer line at California State University Long Beach. It apparently had been flushed down a toilet or dropped through a manhole. Agents say similar counterfeit money has been passed at Long Beach stores.

Autopsies show that two hikers found dead on the Appalachian Trail in Pennsylvania were killed by stabbing and shooting. Geoffrey Hood of Signal Mountain, Tennessee, died of gunshot wounds. A female companion, Molly LaRue of Shaker Heights, Ohio, was stabbed to death. Two other hikers found the bodies Thursday near Duncannon, Pennsylvania. A coroner says the victims had been dead 12 to 16 hours.

The Canadian Coast Guard says it is NOT abandoning the search for a missing Boeing 727 with 16 people in the northern Atlantic. But the Peruvian plane has been missing since Tuesday. Weather has deteriorated and swells to 15 feet have buffeted search ships. The plane issued a mayday about 180 miles south of Newfoundland.

Hundreds of thousands of people gathered in London yesterday for a flyover of military aircraft marking the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Britain. 166 aircraft streaked low over Buckingham Palace. The highlights were Spitfires and Hurricanes, the planes that defended Britain against the German Luftwaffe. Queen Elizabeth and her family watched from the palace... which German bombs damaged during the battle.

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#90259u0391 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

TALLAHASSEE, FL (SEPT. 16) UPI - Six players will split a Florida Lotto jackpot estimated at $105 million, the second largest lottery jackpot in U.S.

history, state lottery officials said Sunday.

The exact jackpot total won't be known until Monday, but Florida Lottery Secretary Rebecca Paul estimated it at $105 million, or about $17.5 million for each of the six winners.

Lottery computers indicate the winning tickets were sold in New Smyrna Beach, Coconut Creek, Venice, Miami, Winter Haven and Longwood. None of the winners has come forward, Paul said in a noon news conference.

The winning numbers chosen in the Saturday night drawing were 5, 6, 21, 34, 35 and 45.

The burgeoning jackpot fueled a week of frenzied ticket sales, with players snatching up the $1 tickets at a record clip of 566 per second Saturday.

The jackpot is second only to the $115.6 million Pennsylvania Lottery jackpot split by 14 winners in April 1989.

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#90259u0411 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

VIENNA (SEPT. 16) UPI - Albania, Europe's last bastion of orthodox communism has declared it intends to honor the 1975 Helsinki Accords on human rights and wants to be a full participant in European security talks this fall in Paris.

The declaration by Albania's ruling Council of Ministers late Saturday brings the tiny Balkan country a step closer to ending the isolation that has characterized its foreign policy since 1945.

The only European state to refuse to join the 35-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, Albania was granted observer status at a June meeting of the CSCE in Copenhagen. But several Western nations, citing Tirana's human rights record, questioned whether Albania was ready for full membership.

In its declaration Saturday, the Albanian government pointed to political and ecomomic reforms approved earlier this year which ''allow the application of the principles of the Helsinki charter.'' The changes included an easing of restrictions on travel, religion and freedom of expression.

''Proceeding from a desire to join in the process of European cooperation and security ... the Albanian government expresses its readiness and commitment to accept these (Helskini) principles,'' the official news agency ATA said in a dispatch monitored in Vienna.

In return, it said, Albania should be allowed to participate ''with complete

rights in the coming conferences'' of the CSCE, including the 35-nation summit in Paris in November.

The Helsinki Accords, adopted Aug. 12, 1975, by 35 nations, including the United States and Soviet Union, stressed ''fundamental rights, economic and social progress and well-being for all peoples'' and the need to jointly promote world peace and security.

A section on humanitarian and cultural cooperation pledged the signatory nations to respect ''fundamental freedoms including the freedom of thought, conscience, religion or belief.''

Albania has been granted observer status for a series of preparatory meetings in Vienna to lay the groundwork for the Paris summit.

The political and economic reforms announced President Ramiz Alia in May represented the first cracks in Albania's monolithic facade of orthodox communism.

The changes were apparently aimed at easing economic and political unrest in Europe's poorest and most rigidly controlled country. Worsening social conditions sent thousands of Albanians fleeing to foreign embassies in Tirana in hopes of emigrating abroad.

Hundreds of others have braved barbed wire and mines to flee across the border to Greece or Yugoslavia.

In another attempt to ease tensions, Tirana last week announced across-the-board pay increases of up to 20 percent for most workers. The pay hikes, effective Oct. 1, would raise the minimum salaries of the lowest-paid workers to about $54 a month.

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#90259u0442 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 16) UPI - The U-N Security Council pledged to take harsher measures against Iraq because of Friday's raids on foreign embassies in Kuwait. The council met until early this morning and voted 15-0 to condemn Iraq. Its resolution says ''concrete measures'' will follow. Iraqi troops in Friday's raids detained five Western diplomats, including an American. All were later released. They also took three French civilians, whose whereabouts are NOT known.

Florida lottery officials will turn to their computer today to learn if anybody won their 100-Million-dollar jackpot. They believe there's a 99-percent probability they'll have a winner. Officials also will know today the exact amount of the jackpot. The payoff would be at least the second largest in U-S history and perhaps the biggest. The winning numbers, drawn

last night, were 6, 35, 34, 45, 21 and 5.

The space agency has reactivated the Magellan spacecraft which is plotting maps of Venus. It was knocked out of contact with Earth last month. A spokesman says the radar mapping looks good. After last month's communications problems, space engineers put Magellan's computer in a state of hibernation while they figured out what went wrong. The cause of the problem is still a mystery, but the scientists turned on Magellan again yesterday.

General Motors and the United Auto Workers have been talking through the night in hopes of getting a new contract. They have NOT made any announcement about progress. The union had set a strike deadline Friday, but extended it. The union's G-M Bargaining Council meets tomorrow and it's believed that union negotiators want to have a tentative agreement ready by then.

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#90259u0460 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 16) UPI - Leftist protesters fought with police today outside the U-S Embassy in Manila. One leftist threw a small bomb and was shot and injured by an embassy guard. The fight broke out after a three-hour rally by union workers in a nearby park. Talks open this week on the future of six U-S military bases in the Philippines. Leftist groups opposing the presence of U-S forces say they will demonstrate during the talks.

Canadian army troops have cut off phone lines to a group of Mohawk Indians who took refuge in a building at a reservation south of Montreal. The Indians have just one phone line- to the army. The Indians are holed up in a detoxification center- the latest development in an eight-week standoff between the Mohawks and the Canadian government.

Los Angeles police arrested four people they say kidnapped a man who was an acquaintance, tortured him and covered his naked body with feathers. They quote one suspect as saying the victim was involved in a long dispute over money. The victim told police he was handcuffed and locked in a cage with six dogs. He escaped as his captors were getting ready to pour hot tar over him.

The aircraft carrier Kennedy is banning canned soft drinks. It's apparently the only carrier in the U-S Navy that does NOT allow cans, and the decision has sailors and their families angry. The Kennedy is sailing toward duty in the Persian Gulf. A Navy spokesman says sailors can get free drinks from machines, but they need their own cups. The official reasons for the ban are that the cans attract roaches, and can get sucked into airplane engines.

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#90259u0477 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (SEPT. 16) UPI - The traditional monarch of South

Africa's 6 million Zulus, King Goodwill Zwelethini, appealed to thousands of followers Sunday for an end to urban black violence that has left hundreds dead and threatens the country's racial reform program.

More than 15,000 Zulus wearing red headbands and carrying spears, axes and other weapons massed at stadiums in the black townships of Thokoza and Soweto to see Goodwill, making a rare mission outside the Zulu homeland of Natal.

Police in armored personnel carriers in Thokoza escorted the Zulus, mainly migrant workers, to the stadium and took no action to disarm them of their so-called traditional weapons previously used in bloody hand- to-hand fighting.

Hundreds of women lined the streets and cheered as the Zulus passed by.

Many wore traditional feathers and cowhide skins and engaged in war dances as they approached the stadiums for a day of emotional appeals for an end to the bloodshed.

King Goodwill was joined by a Xhosa leader, Tutor Ndamase, in a symbolic disply of ethnic unity to try to end the fighting between migrant Zulu supporters of the movement Inkatha who live in township hostels and Xhosas of the African National Congress. The battles have left more than 720 dead in mainly hand-to-hand street fighting since early August.

After the rally, police escorted Ndamase into the adjacent Phola Park squatter camp where Xhosa residents had engaged in fierce clashes with Zulus last month. Ndamase appealed for peace, then flew by helicopter with Goodwill to Soweto.

''I have come to this place to put out the fires of violence,'' said the highly respected Goodwill, who has ruled the Zulu nation in the Indian Ocean province of Natal for 20 years.

''I have come to tell my father's people who are here that I, as king of the Zulus, will not tolerate violence perpetrated in the name of KwaZulu,'' he said, referring to the Zulu nation.

''Everybody must lay down their arms and take their brother's hand in friendship,'' he said in an emotional appeal.

The rally followed the imposition by police on Saturday of Operation Iron Fist a security clampdown intended to crush the fighting. Roadblocks were thrown up throughout the city and police announced plans to seal off selected strife-torn areas with razor wire.

ANC leader Nelson Mandela condemned the measures as giving police a virtual license to kill ANC supporters and said they would be ineffective until the government purges right-wing elements in the security forces supporting

Inkatha.

Both Mandela and President Frederik de Klerk have warned the continued bloodletting threatens to disrupt the government's racial reform program, including power-sharing negotiations on a post- apartheid constitution.

De Klerk, who acknowledged Saturday an unknown force may be stirring the violence, is expected to announce further security measures this week before traveling to the United States for talks in Washington with President George Bush.

The Zulu king appealed to Mandela to meet the Zulus ''before it is too late'' and called at the Soweto rally for ANC officials to stop inhibiting Mandela from meeting Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi, the senior adviser to the king and chief minister of the Zulu homeland.

In slightly stronger language in Soweto, King Goodwill said personal attacks on Buthelezi and on the existence of Zulu homeland were intolerable.

''I call now on every political grouping in the country to stop the senseless attacking of KwaZulu,'' he said.

Buthelezi has consistently demanded direct talks with Mandela as the only way to secure a lasting peace between their factions, which have been locked in battle in the Indian Ocean province of Natal since 1987, leaving as many as 4,000 dead. The clashes spilled into black townships surrounding Johannesburg in early August.

King Goodwill said the conflict had taken on the proportions of a ''ethnic war'' because of the politicial differences between the modertate Inkatha and the more radical ANC.

He said it began in Thokoza - one of the hardest-hit areas - because the Inkatha supporters living in migrant worker hostels objected to a consumer boycott staged by the ANC in the nearby white town of Alberton.

''There has never been a war between Zulus and Xhosas. Any tendency for Zulus to strike out at Xhosas and Xhosas to do likewise must be eliminated now and eliminated immediately,'' he said.

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JERUSALEM (SEPT. 16) UPI - Israel, long opposed to large-scale arms sales to its Arab neighbors, considers a proposed $20 billion purchase of U.S. weapons by Saudi Arabia a security threat and analysts said Sunday the deal could spark a Middle East arms race.

But Israel might not protest as loudly or lobby as hard to halt such an arms sale to Saudi Arabia this time because of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, the subsequent gulf crisis and American troop deployment in the region, analysts said.

Israel receives $3 billion a year in U.S. economic and military aid, while also involved in research and development with the United States, such as the anti-ballistic Arrow missile.

''I must say if I were in (the Israeli) government, I wouldn't advise the American government what to do,'' said Zeev Eytan, co-author of ''The Middle East Military Balance,'' an annual analysis of regional strategic issues. ''It's an American decision. Of course, it's not too pleasant for us.''

While government sources said Israel regarded such a deal with Saudi Arabia - considered the largest arms sale in U.S. history - as a threat to the country's security, they emphasized the United States was aware of Israel's defense needs and would act accordingly.

The Saudi's proposal to buy highly sophisticated and advanced weapons came on the heels of assurances from the Bush administration it would work to maintain Israel's qualitative edge in the region.

The Saudi arms purchases would include 385 M-1 tanks, the main tank used by U.S. forces, and an unspecified number of Apache helicopter gunships, the most sophisticated attack helicopter in the U.S. arsenal. It would also include between 20 to 28 Patriot missiles, which can intercept incoming ballistic missiles and aircraft.

Israel has asked to buy two of the Patriot missiles, while the first of 18 Apache helicopters ordered by Israel were displayed last week at an Israeli military base.

Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens also is in the United States this week for talks with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and the latest developments are expected to be high on the agenda.

The proposed arms sale, however, was not an immediate threat to Israel because much of the weapons likely would not be available for delivery for some time and training would take even longer, Eytan said. But Eytan said he believed the planned sale would ''encourage the arms race in the Middle East.''

''Imagine Saudi Arabia getting $20 billion worth of arms and Syria, Jordan or Egypt or Israel getting absolutely nothing. This is a spiral and it will encourage others to buy more,'' he said, adding the proposed arms deal also would encourage other nations to sell more weapons to the Middle East.

U.S. officials have said an underlying but unstated argument by Saudi Arabia

for approval of the sale was that if the United States refused to sell the arms, Britain would be willing to supply the weapons. In 1988, Saudi Arabia arranged arms deals estimated at between $10 to $20 billion with Western European countries, especially Britain, for highly advanced weapons.

According to ''The Middle East Military Balance 1988-1989,'' Israel has more than 3,800 tanks compared to Saudi Arabia's 550 and 635 combat aircraft, including interceptors and bombers, compared to 194 in the desert kingdom.

One worry for Israel is that while Saudi Arabia has not been a major participant in wars against Israel, with more highly sophisticated weaponry on line for the desert kingdom, ''the better they are equipped, the more pressure would be on them in case of the eventuality of war to contribute more,'' Eytan said.

''I think you have big problems,'' Morry Amitai, former head of AIPAC, the strong American-Israeli lobby, told Israel's Army Radio Sunday. ''I don't see how Israel can maintain its qualitative advantage on the basis of the latest American weaponry going to the Saudis.''

Amitai listed several recent developments, ''any one of these should have created concern for Israel and her friends in the United States.''

In addition to the proposed Saudi arms deal, Amitai mentioned U.S. Secretary of State James Baker's visit to Israel's staedfast foe Syria and the Bush administration's decision to forgive Egypt more than $7 billion in debt, without a similar commitment to forgive Israel's $4.5 billion debt.

But Eytan said he believed the underlining theme in current U.S.- Israeli relations was not to cause a rupture between the two allies, who during the past year have gone through several rough periods.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - For some reason, Iraq has partly opened the border from Kuwait into Saudi Arabia. Iraqi guards have been allowing Kuwaitis to leave. Witnesses say the guards take the Kuwaitis' identification and say they can NEVER return. Refugees say at least 100 vehicles crossed since yesterday morning. The Iraqi troops who occupied Kuwait kept the border sealed for weeks. The reason for the change is NOT known.

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Iraqi officials say Baghdad will broadcast the message President Bush taped to the Iraqi people last week. Iraq's ambassador in Washington refused to accept the tape, so U-S officials presented it to the Foreign Ministry in Baghdad yesterday. An Iraqi official in Cairo believes the tape will be shown today. A

Western diplomat says Iraq may NOT give much advance notice, and many Iraqis may miss the broadcast.

A tank full of crude oil exploded and burned last night at a refinery along the Houston Ship Channel in Pasadena, Texas. Firefighters brought the fire under control quickly, and plans to evacuate residents of the area were abandoned. Showers passed over the area at the same time as the fire and created a ''black rain'' that smudged cars and houses.

Japan is believed to have a low crime rate for an industrial nation. But a new survey indicates that apparently is a myth. It says most serious crimes in Japan are NOT reported, including 90 percent of sexual assaults. The survey was conducted by a research group affiliated with the National Police Agency. Three-thousand adults were polled in the survey, which found a widespread belief that Japanese crime is increasing.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - A bomb exploded this morning outside the house of Philippines Vice President Salvador Laurel, but he was NOT hurt. The bomb also damaged a bank, and injured a security guard. It's believed rebel soldiers planted the bomb. They have been blamed for 21 bombings in Manila in the past month. Laurel has been at odds with President Corazon Aquino. She says he was involved in an uprising in December that killed 119 people.

The board of supervisors of Butte County, California, is considering declaring bankruptcy. The county has a 14-Million-dollar budget deficit. County leaders hope a bankruptcy judge will order California to pay for services the state requires Butte County to offer. The county now has to pay for those services. It has reduced spending for libraries and the sheriff's department.

Representatives of 11 northern countries are gathering in Anchorage, Alaska, for a conference to discuss better relations. The Northern Regions Conference starts tomorrow and lasts a week. The Soviet Union has the largest delegation- 60 officials. The conference will consider natural resources in the arctic, fishing and challenges of northern life.

The Soviet Union, a land of shortages, has a new one- coffins. The official union newspaper Trud reports the state funeral service agency in the city of Orel has stopped making coffins. There is NO wood to build them. Trud quotes a worker as saying- ''All who intend to leave this world must wait a little bit.''

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (SEPT. 16) UPI - Financial aid to Egypt, Turkey and Jordan

tops the agenda at a meeting on Monday of European Community foreign ministers amid concern a split over tactics may delay final approval.

Aid to the three countries hardest hit by the Persian Gulf crisis was approved in principle by the foreign ministers at a Sept. 7 meeting in Rome, but a precise amount was not set.

Last Wednesday, the EC executive Commission proposed an aid package worth $1.95 billion. However, several countries led by Britain argue the EC should not set an exact figure until negotiations can take place with other donors, including oil-rich Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.

By publicizing an aid formula, and the EC's share in it, the Community could limit the overall contributions from other nations, Britain contends.

''As there is not yet a consensus on what other western and Arab countries will contribute, an EC figure would seem to be premature,'' said a foreign ministry spokesman for Belgium, which agrees with the British position.

Italy, which holds the rotating EC presidency, wants the foreign ministers to approve a precise aid figure on Monday to show Europe's commitment to the U.S.-led opposition to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The weekend announcement that West Germany will contribute nearly $2 billion toward the gulf effort could further complicate the EC foreign ministers' debate. U.S. officials had been most critical of what they perceived as German and Japanese stinginess. Friday, Japan said it was increasing its overall gulf contribution from $1 billion to $4 billion.

EC diplomats concede that a delay in approving an aid package could send the wrong signal to the United States, which has increasingly pressured European allies to contribute more.

''We think it's important to send a clear political message right away by setting aid figures,'' said an official of the EC Commission.

Another aid package, $58.5 million for humanitarian relief to gulf refugess, is expected to be easily approved by the foreign ministers.

Also on the agenda are relations with Israel, the status of talks between the EC and the six-nation European Free Trade Association and transatlantic relations.

The foreign ministers will also discuss logistics for extending an aid program for Poland and Hungary to four other countries - Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia and East Germany.

That program, launched last year by 24 wealthy nations, is administered by the

EC executive Commission. Extension of aid to the four other countries was approved by the 24 foreign ministers in July.

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INDIANAPOLIS (SEPT. 16) UPI - The United States should take the money it is spending on ''Operation Desert Shield'' to put troops in the Middle East and spend it on urban problems, said Rep. John Conyers Jr., D-Mich.

Conyers suggested a domestic Marshall Plan for America's cities during a speech Saturday at the 25th anniversary dinner of the Community Action Against Poverty of Greater Indianapolis Inc.

He said the only need for a 125,000-member U.S. military force in Saudi Arabia is to guarantee a source of cheap oil.

''I want (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein removed. I want him out of Kuwait,'' Conyers said. ''But I don't want the United States to be sending American troops over there in these concentrations, because when those body bags start coming home with some of our Afro-American youngsters disproportionately in that number as they were in Vietnam, then all of the thrills and romance of this military buildup over there will be a price far too high to pay.''

Conyers, chairman of the House Committee on Government Organizations, is a critic of waste in military spending.

''Let's take the $2 billion a month it's costing us, the 30 cents a gallon average that's gone on to gasoline pumps, the $31 a barrel of crude oil that we're paying now; let's take all of that money and take the (poverty) programs and spread them across every city in America,'' Conyers said.

He said the format could be much the same as the Marshall Plan that was used to reconstruct Europe after World War II.

Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., told the organization that the nation needed ''comprehensive ideas in housing, education, fighting crime, basic things that are the heart of running cities. ... I hope we can restore a much larger level'' of funds for such programs.

But Lugar, who as mayor of Indianapolis was on the group's organizing committee, said the presence of U.S. troops in the Middle East involved much more than cheap oil.

''It is a matter of whether we can keep world order and world peace. And we have a great challenge, and we are paying a price for that. But we also are asking others to pay for that price. It's important that we prevail,'' Lugar said.

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#90259u0561 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (SEPT. 16) UPI - A deceased Iraqi architect linked to a Libyan chemical weapons complex invested $5 million in a Florida cherry flavoring plant as a front to collect and export cyanide compounds that could be used for toxic weapons, a Dallas newspaper reported Sunday.

Ihsan Barbouti's former associates said the Iraqi financier used his investment in an apparent effort to export deadly hydrogen cyanide - and the technology to produce it - to Middle East countries identified by the U.S. government as supporters of terrorism, The Dallas Morning News reported in a copyright story.

A chemical weapons expert said hydrogen cyanide is an odorless, colorless gas easily converted into use as a chemical weapon.

Louis Champon, president of the plant, Product Ingredient Technology Inc., in Boca Raton, Fla., said he had no role in the diversion of any toxic material from the facility.

He acknowledged, however, that at least five barrels, or 150 gallons, of a cyanide complex were unaccounted for and could have been taken from the site without his knowledge, the newspaper said.

Champon said he has filed a lawsuit to sever his business relatonship with the Barbouti family. Barbouti died July 1 in London of pneumonia at age 63, authorities said.

Another of Barbouti's former associates, Peter Kawaja, whose company installed a $1 million security system at the plant, said the cyanide was taken from the production facility during ''night trips'' to another site in Florida that he declined to identify.

''Shipments have left the U.S.,'' Kawaja said, ''and technology has left the U.S. We're talking about the research and development of chemical weapons in the United States.''

Kawaja declined to identify the purported final destination of the potentially lethal chemical.

Barbouti, who had a doctorate in architecture, has been identified in several criminal court cases in Europe as the architect of Libyan Col. Moammar Gadhafi's chemical weapons plant in Rabta, about 40 miles from Tripoli.

Champon, who was interviewed by The Morning News Sept. 7 at the office of his attorney, Anthony Pucillo, in West Palm Beach, Fla., said it was his feeling

that Barbouti's intention was ''to ship out (the gas) to overseas.''

An executive order by President Ronald Reagan in February 1986, after an outbreak of hostilities between Libya and the United States, made it illegal tosend any U.S.-manufactured goods or technology to Libya. That executive order was extended last year by President Bush.

U.S. Customs Service agents last Thursday interviewed Champon at the U.S. Courthouse in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Customs and the FBI's foreign counterintelligence services have accelerated their investigation of Barbouti's role in the flavoring plant since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2.

They also are examining his vast holdings in the United States, including high-tech and real estate interests in Dallas, Houston, Oklahoma City, Tennessee, New Jersey and New York.

Barbouti's American business associates told The Morning News the international broker also acknowledged ongoing contracts with Iraq and Iran.

Control of his American holdings has been assumed by his son, Haidar Barbouti, who also was in the financing and operation of the Florida flavoring plant, said Champon and Kawaja.

Haidar Barbouti could not be reached for comment at his Manhattan condominium in New York, the newspaper said.

The manufacturing facility produced a cherry flavoring - known in the industry as natural bitter almond oil - using a process developed by Champon. The flavoring is used in such commercial products as soft drinks, candies, gum and doughnut icing.

The process involves the distillation of crushed apricot pits and produces not only bitter almond oil, or concentrate for cherry flavoring, but also sugar and hydrogen cyanide byproducts.

Champon said his process neutralizes the hydrogen cyanide gas to a safe liquid form known as ferric ferrocyanide, a common chemical used widely in cleaning solvents. He acknowledged that the ferric ferrocyanide ''easily'' can be reconverted to hydrogen cyanide.

One chemist, a senior university researcher who has been a consultant in the analysis, research and development of chemical warfare for the U.S. Army, said the Boca Raton plant was capable of producing ''significant'' quantities of hydrogen cyanide.

The chemist, who requested anonymity, said that hydrogen cyanide - in the

hands of terrorists - offers a potential security threat of ''immense'' proportion.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 16) UPI - The shuttle Columbia's countdown ticked into its final hours Sunday amid cautious optimism the leak-plagued ship was finally ready for a fourth launch try Tuesday to end a dismal summer of false hopes and repeated delays.

But for the shuttle's seven astronauts and the hundreds of men and women responsible for getting them safely into orbit, a key hurdle remained: fuel loading Monday afternoon, a make-or-break milestone expected to determine the fate of the crew's long-delayed 10-day astronomy mission.

If any more crippling hydrogen leaks are present like those that grounded the ship May 30 and Sept. 6, it is then that they will show up and it is then that NASA managers will know whether the ship can be launched at 1:28 a.m. EDT Tuesday as planned to end a four-month launch drought.

And for NASA, subjected to intense criticism this summer because of problems with the Hubble Space Telescope, the shuttle program and trouble with the agency's embattled space station project, the stakes are high indeed.

Columbia must get off the launch pad by Wednesday or the flight likely will be delayed indefinitely to clear the way for an Air Force Titan 4 rocket launch later this week and the launch of the shuttle Discovery Oct. 8 on a higher-priority flight to carry a European solar probe into orbit.

With Columbia running 111 days behind schedule after a record series of three delays in as many months, engineers were hesitant to make any predictions. But with an 80 percent chance of good weather expected, they expressed cautious optimism Sunday that Columbia was at long last ready for blastoff.

''The leak is in the back of everybody's mind,'' said NASA test director Michael Leinbach. ''Although we feel real good now that we've fixed the leak and we don't expect it, it will take about 45 minutes into the tanking before we're positive that the leak has been fixed.''

Fuel loading was scheduled to begin at 4:57 p.m. Monday.

Hoping for the best, Columbia's crew - commander Vance Brand, 59, co- pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, and astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46 - reviewed their flight plans Sunday as the countdown ticked smoothly toward launch.

The goal of the mission is to turn Columbia into an orbital observatory, using

four high-tech telescopes in the shuttle's cargo bay to study X-rays and ultraviolet light from exploding suns, especially violent stars and galaxies, enigmatic quasars and other objects of interest in modern astronomy.

Such light cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere and Columbia's mission represents an unprecedented attempt to extend humanity's vision into the high-energy realm of the electromagnetic spectrum to learn more about the structure and evolution of the universe.

But few missions have had as much trouble getting off the ground as Columbia's and none has been delayed as long after beginning a countdown.

Columbia's ''Astro-1'' payload originally was scheduled for launch March 6, 1986, but the shuttle program was grounded by the Challenger disaster two months before.

Shuttle flights resumed in September 1988 and Columbia was rescheduled for blastoff May 30. During fuel loading the night before, however, sensors detected hydrogen gas leaking into the ship's engine room and the flight was canceled.

NASA managers initially believed the leak was caused solely by damaged seals in a massive 17-inch-wide fuel line fitting where propellant is fed into the belly of the orbiter from the external tank.

A similar leak also grounded Atlantis in July and after that shuttle was hauled off the launch pad for repairs, Columbia, equipped with a new fuel line fitting, was returned to the pad for a Sept. 1 liftoff.

But those hopes were dashed by an electrical glitch with one of Columbia's four telescopes that interrupted the countdown yet again and delayed the flight to Sept. 6. Another fuel leak the night the shuttle's third launch attempt caused yet another delay.

Engineers replaced three suspect fuel pumps before discovering a partially crushed seal in a fuel line valve leading to main engine No. 3. The $250 seal was replaced and Columbia was cleared for a fourth launch try Tuesday.

Along with turning Columbia into an orbital observatory, the astronauts plan to teach an astronomy lesson from space that will be beamed into classrooms across the nation and to chat with Soviet ''hams'' aboard the Mir space station during the course of their mission.

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WALTERBORO, SC (SEPT. 16) UPI - Colleton County authorities Sunday were investigating the death of a Walterboro woman who was mauled to death in a

''frenzy'' by seven malnourished dogs that lived in her home.

Patricia Roberts, 48, may have had a seizure during which she had a nose bleed or other wound that attracted the starving dogs and set off the attack, Colleton Sheriff Cecil ''Eddie'' Chasteen Jr. said Sunday.

''It is possible that she had a nosebleed during a seizure or cut herself. We believe it was the combination of the seizure, the presence of blood and the condition of the animals,'' Chasteen said. ''The dogs' survival instincts took over, and they attacked her in a frenzy.''

Chasteen said investigator was considering filing animal-abuse or neglect charges against the woman's husband, Mondell Roberts, 44, in connection with the fatal mauling.

A preliminary autopsy said the dog attack killed Patricia Roberts, who had a history of seizures, but it could not be determined whether the woman was conscious when the attack occurred.

Flesh was torn from the woman's arms, her forehead and the back of her neck, and there was a deep wound on the left side of her body, Chasteen said.

Nine of the 11 dogs owned by the couple were captured and destroyed after the attack Wednesday in the four-room Roberts' home that the sheriff described as a sieve. He said two of the dogs escaped through huge cracks in the wall of the home.

The contents of the dog's stomachs determined that seven had participated in the mauling, Chasteen said. But two well-fed dogs did not attack the woman.

The dogs - each one involved in the attack was about 20 pounds underweight - were of mixed breed, varying in size and had not been known to be violent animals, he said.

''They were very malnourished and emaciated, just skin and bones,'' Chasteen said. ''They were next to starvation. All their ribs were showing. They were extremely underweight.''

A Walterboro veterinarian said the dogs' instinct apparently took over because of their extreme hunger.

''I believe they were so starved that when the seizure activity took place, they attacked - a natural instinct for food purposes,'' said Dr. Rebecca Hughes. ''Dogs just don't do what they did if they are healthy and normal.''

Mondell Roberts returned home from a painting job to find his wife's body lying on the bedroom floor.

He said he did not like the way the investigation was handled and that he had to watch the dogs put to sleep while his wife's body was yet to be removed from the house.

''It's just a nightmare to me, slaughtering my dogs,'' he said. ''I believe they could have found another way.''

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#90259u0647 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 16) UPI - The United Nations Security Council voted unanimously early today to condemn Iraq for ordering its troops to enter foreign embassies in occupied Kuwait. Cuba and Iraq's ally Yemen both joined in the 15-0 vote. The resolution warned that ''concrete measures'' against Iraq will follow. At the same time, Kuwaiti refugees continue to stream across the Kuwait-Saudi border after Iraq unexpectedly opened the frontier yesterday. However, NO Western hostages are being allowed to use the new exit from Iraq-occupied Kuwait. .

An Iraqi official in Cairo says Baghdad will air President Bush's taped message to the Iraqi people... but it's unclear whether Iraqis will be given enough notice to ensure a large audience. Also, it's NOT clear whether Iraq plans to broadcast the Bush tape in full or cut it and change it. .

A merchant ship sailed from southern India today with 12-thousand tons of food for Asian refugees in Iraq, where it will unload the cargo and take on several hundred stranded Indian citizens. The Red Cross and other international agencies will distribute the supplies. Nearly 200- thousand Indian nationals were working in Iraq and Kuwait at the time of the August 2nd Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Bargaining between the United Auto Workers union and General Motors have gone 'round-the-clock in Detroit this morning as negotiators grapple with the tough issues of wages, pension and job security. The union and top carmaker agreed to extend the Friday midnight deadline of the current three-year pact in efforts to reach a settlement. G-M could face the possibility of selected walkouts starting tomorrow if a contract covering its 310-thousand U-S workers is NOT tentatively agreed to. .

In Canada, talks between the striking Canadian Auto Workers union and Ford of Canada resumed this morning after the two sides failed to reach an agreement covering nearly 13-thousand Ford workers Friday night. A prolonged walkout at Ford's nine Canadian assembly plants and one parts depot in Canada could affect Ford's U-S operations within about 10 days to two weeks.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - NASA launch director Robert Sieck says- ''We're keeping our

fingers crossed.'' With time running out, the shuttle Columbia's countdown continues at Cape Canaveral for a last-ditch launch try Tuesday- or Wednesday at the latest. The leak-plagued astronomy mission is running more than three months behind schedule. Says Sieck- ''The team has worked hard we're due to win one.''

Burma's government radio says anti-government Buddhist monks stoned and beat four ailing soldiers in the central city of Mandalay. The broadcast says the beatings occurred Friday when four soldiers, sick from fever, were stoned by a group of 30 Buddhist monks near their monastery. One soldier had to be hospitalized because of his wounds. The official radio also reports another group of monks attacked security forces in Mandalay with stones and slingshots.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 16) UPI - Employees at the New York Post Sunday worked to put out what may be the 189-year-old tabloid's last edition, as members of The Newspaper Guild agonized over whether to accept pay cuts and layoffs or vote the ailing newspaper out of business.

Negotiations Friday night brought sweeping concessions from nine of the 10 unions represented at the Post, but the temporary reprieve only lasts until the tenth and largest union, the Guild, votes on whether to accept management's demands for concessions at a meeting Monday night.

Those demands include a four-day work week at 20 percent less pay, benefit reductions, and more than 40 buyouts and layoffs.

If the 352 Post reporters, editors, photographers, and advertising and clerical workers in the Guild reject the deal, publisher Peter Kalikow has said he will fold the newspaper immediately.

The vote was set for 6 p.m. at the Guild's headquarters at West 44th Street.

Guild members adamantly have voted down wage cuts in the past, and the Post Guild executive commitee rejected the deal Friday night, but allowed it to be presented to the membership.

''Some are dead set against it, and some feel strongly that if all the other unions keep the paper going, who are we to kill it,'' said Post assistant city editor Marianne Goldstein from the paper's city desk in Lower Manhattan Sunday.

Goldstein said speculation among Guild members had been rampant during the weekend with ''no clear consensus'' on how the vote would go.

''Every one of us is wrestling with this now,'' she said. ''If the Guild votes it down, the death of the paper will always be pinned on the Guild.''

The bargaining cliffhanger, which ended in a deal expected to save the paper more than $20 million annually and preserve about 900 jobs, ended just before midnight Friday, hours past a deadline Kalikow had set for the paper's closing.

Thg deal included giving unionized employees 20 percent ownership of the company and a seat on the board of directors.

Kalikow seeks to save $5 million annually from the Guild by laying off seven non-permanent workers; offering voluntary buy-outs to about 36 others; paying for a four-day work week through a 20 percent pay cut; and reducing benefits by about 12 percent.

The other unions, including the pressmen and drivers, achieved most of their reductions by agreeing to job cuts and other savings proposed by management. The outcome of Monday's vote could also determine the fate of another financially troubled New York tabloid, the Daily News, where a bitter labor-management standoff has raged all year.

News' management has said it will seek similar cuts from the union.

The News, meanwhile, reported Sunday that although the drivers union gave up more than 92 positions at the Post during negotiations, those remaining reportedly will get raises of about $100 a week.

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#90259u0695 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 16) UPI - The U-N Security Council today used an urgent meeting to voice its opposition to last week's Iraqi raids on foreign embassies in Kuwait. The Security Council voted unanimously0- to condemn Iraq for sending troops into the compounds. Members also issued a warning that ''concrete measures'' against Iraq would follow. .

Kuwaitis continue to stream across the border into Saudi Arabia today through a checkpoint that Iraq decided to open yesterday. There was still NO explanation why Baghdad allowed the refugees to cross the border after it had been sealed for several weeks. The Kuwaitis were stripped of all identification papers before being allowed to leave.

Reports from a Detroit radio station say at least 14 people were injured this morning in an explosion that tore through a tanker on the Saginaw River near Bay City, Michigan. Coast Guard officials confirm that the blast occurred as the tanker Jupiter was unloading fuel at a petroleum depot. They say one of the ship's 18 crew members was missing and the vessel was engulfed in flames.

A protest today against this week's talks on the future of U-S military bases in the Philippines ended in a brief melee between demonstrators and riot

police. One protester was shot and wounded after he tossed a small homemade bomb at police who were chasing him out of a park across from the U-S Embassy in Manila.

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#90259u0700 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 16) UPI - Official statistics show that Japan is by far the safest country among the world's advanced industrial nations. But a survey released this weekend says Japan is NOT nearly as crime-free as the numbers would indicate. The survey found that nearly two-thirds of all serious crimes in Japan go unreported, as do more than 90 percent of the nation's sexual assaults.

A 20-month-old Denver boy is safe today after being pulled from a deep construction shaft where he had been trapped for 14 hours. Kevin Davis was alert when firefighters pulled him from the shaft, but authorities did NOT immediately know the extent of his injuries. Workers tunneled through the night to reach the boy.

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AZRAQ, Jordan (SEPT. 16) UPI - At a dusty truckstop, some minor players in the Persian Gulf crisis rested, weary after the long, hot ride across the desert from the Iraqi border.

At one table sat Arab truck drivers hauling Iraqi oil into Jordan in apparent violation of U.N. sanctions. Nearby sat Philippine workers fleeing Kuwait, most likely being taken from one refugee camp in Jordan to another.

All along the single desert road from Iraq, signs of the crisis could be seen. Iraqi oil tankers and buses of fleeing Asian and Arab workers sped by the dozens toward the Jordanian capital of Amman, while carloads of Palestinians headed for Baghdad.

In the last few days, there was little other commercial or private traffic crossing the desolate Jordanian Ruweished border checkpoint from Iraq as the Persian Gulf crisis moved into its seventh week.

Western and Arab nations allied against Iraq have kept a close watch on Jordan to make sure it was not helping Iraqi President Saddam Hussein break a U.N. embargo imposed after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. Except for the oil shipments which Jordan says is destined for local use, there was no visible evidence of serious sanctions violations.

A group of drivers at the Azraq truckstop, about 50 miles from Amman, said most oil was going to the Jordanian city of Zarqa, north of the capital, and

not the Jordanian port of Aqaba - where it could be shipped out.

The Western naval blockade in the Read Sea has halted Iraqi shipping from Aqaba, a major maritime outlet for Iraq during the Iran-Iraq war that began in 1980 and was suspended nearly eight years later. During that war, 200,000 barrels a day of Iraqi oil was transported by truck to Aqaba.

Jordan, which has called for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait while remaining a staunch ally of Saddam, says it is abiding by U.N. sanctions except for oil imports that are delivered in payment for Iraqi trade debts. The arrangement benefits Jordan economically but not Iraq.

Crown Prince Hassan told the Canadian Broadcasting Corp. Saturday that the oil was essential to Jordan's economy to supply light industry and even provide drinking water.

Before the Persian Gulf crisis, the Hashemite kingdom received 80 percent of 1.5 million to 2 million barrels of oil a month from Iraq. Now it gets an estimated 40 percent from Iraq, with about 50 percent coming from Saudia Arabia under an agreement whose terms have not been made public.

Despite the apparent violation of the sanctions, the U.N. Security Council committee studying how to assist countries hurt by the embargo commended Jordan last week in a draft resolution for the measures it has taken to comply with the U.N. sanctions.

In August, Jordon told the Secrity Council it could lose $4 billion by complying with the sanctions.

In the Azraq truckstop across the road from a herd of camels, the Arab truckers seemed unconcerned about U.N. sanctions as they sipped sweet tea and an Egyptian driver said he made up to nine runs a month between Baghdad and Az Zarqa.

Although wary of speaking with foreign reporters, the drivers indicated they were not unanimous in their their support of Iraqi, but objected to Western forces in the region.

''I want the American soldiers to leave Saudi Arabia and Iraq to leave Kuwait '' said the Egyptian driver, who refused to give his name.

Asked if he still supported Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, who has sent troops to join the U.S. forces, the driver replied he did.

A Jordanian trucker coming from Baghdad strongly disagreed, stressing he suported Saddam and adding, ''The people in Baghdad are very, very angry at Bush.''

Down the road at another roadside store in Azraq, a Palestinian from the Israeli-occupied West Bank, said he was returning to his family in Kuwait.

He said he had not fled Kuwait after the Iraqi invasion, but had returned to the West Bank to renew his residency papers with the Israeli authorities.

Many Palestinians who were on vacation when Iraqi troops invaded have returned to Kuwait despite reports of food shortages and deteriorating conditions. Many feel they will benefit economically from the demise of Kuwaiti ruling family.

''If my job is there and everything is good, I will stay,'' an oil rig worker said.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - Baghdad says it broadcast a video-taped message from President Bush to the Iraqi people today... but there was NO immeditate independent confirmation that it aired. Bush told the Iraqi's that their nation stands ''alone and isolated'' because of the government's decision to annex Kuwait. Bush issued the warning- quoting here- ''there is NO way Iraq can win'' a war against the multi-national forces gathered in the Persian Gulf. .

The U-S Pentagon believes U-S-led forces in the region would win a war against Iraq through their superior air power. General Michael Dugan says in a newspaper interview today that ''air power is the only answer that's available'' to avoid a bloody land war that would probably destroy Kuwait. The Air Force has about 420 combat planes and 250 support aircraft in the region.

Coast Guard officials say 11 people were hospitalized and one other was missing today following an explosion aboard a tanker at a petroleum depot in the Saginaw River at Bay City, Michigan. Flames raged out of control on the tanker Jupiter and authorities say the intense heat is preventing firefigters from battling the blaze effectively. A firefighting boat was headed to the area from Detroit.

About 10-thousand Zulu men clad in traditional tribal wear and carrying spears and axes massed for a peace rally at a stadium in a black township near Johannesburg today. The Zulu's king asked his followers to- quote- ''put out the fires of violence.'' The rally comes as the South African government implements tough security measures aimed at halting the bloody fighting between Zulus and African National Congress followers.

Florida lottery officials say the state's record 105-Million-dollar jackpot will be split among six winning tickets. The exact winning total for each lucky ticket won't be known until tomorrow, but officials estimate each winning ticket holder will receive about 17-and-a-half- Million dollars. NO

winners have come forward yet to claim shares of the second-largest lottery jackpot in U-S history.

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#90259u0967 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 16) UPI - Iraq says it broadcast a videotaped message by President Bush today... one day after it was delivered to an Iraqi Foreign Ministry official in Baghdad. Bush refused to use the message to revile Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein... but he did say Iraq must ultimately withdraw from Kuwait. .

An Indian cargo vessel is steaming toward the Persian Gulf with 12- thousand tons of food for Asian refugees stranded in the tense region. The ship is the first to head to Iraq since the United Nations approved a plan to let individual countries send supplies to stem the suffering of the tens of thousands of refugees caught in the standoff.

A fire continues to rage aboard a tanker on Michigan's Saginaw River. The tanker Jupiter exploded this morning with 18 crew members aboard, leaving one person missing and 11 others hospitalized. Coast Guard officials say the vessel carried 54-thousand gallons of gasoline, but it's NOT clear whether any has spilled into the river.

Six ticket-holders will split the Florida Lotto jackpot estimated at 105-Million-dollars... getting about 17-and-a-half-Million dollars per ticket. State lottery officials say the exact jackpot total... the nation's second largest ever... won't be known until tomorrow.

The leader of South Africa's six-Million Zulus urged his followers today to end urban black violence that has left hundreds dead and threatens the nation's racial reform program. More than 15-thousand Zulus gathered at two stadiums near Johannesburg to greet the Zulu king on his rare mission outside the tribal homeland of Natal.

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#90259u0977 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 16) UPI - Negotiations continue between representatives of the United Auto Workers and General Motors. The two sides are trying to hammer out an agreement and avoid a walkout that could begin tomorrow. The talks in Detroit resulted in a reprieve to stop a threatened walkout early in the weekend, but little other progress has been reported.

Saudi Arabia's foreign minister arrived in the Soviet Union today to sign a treaty re-establishing diplomatic relations which lapsed more than 50 years ago. Moscow's withdrawal from Afghanistan and its opposition to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait are viewed as key reasons for the warming of Soviet-Saudi relations.

Albania says it intends to honor the 1975 Helsinki Accords on human rights and wants to participate in European security talks this fall in Paris. Albania is Europe's only remaining orthodox communist state and its declaration brings the tiny Balkan country closer to ending 45 years of isolation.

A published report in Jerusalem quotes Israeli Prime Shamir branding a book written by a former Israeli intelligence agent as being ''all lies.'' Shamir declared the author of ''By Way of Deception: The Making and Unmaking of a Mossad Officer'' a traitor who violated his commitment to the Jewish state.

The head of the biomechanics laboratory at Penn State University says athletes can attain peak performance levels by applying mechanical and mathematical principles to their physical movements. Dr. Richard Nelson says the application of biomechanics to athletic endeavors can lead to the end of using illegal, performance-enhancing drugs.

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#90259u1024 09/16/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	84	63	.571	-	43-29	41-34	3-7	L-5
New York	83	63	.568	1/2	51-24	32-39	6-4	L-1
Montreal	78	68	.534	6	43-29	35-39	7-3	W-3
Chicago	70	76	.479	15	36-38	34-38	6-4	W-2
Philadel.	67	79	.459	16 1/2	35-36	32-43	4-6	W-1
St. Louis	66	81	.449	18	33-42	33-39	4-6	L-2
West								
Cincinnati	82	63	.566	-	41-29	41-34	4-6	W-1
Los Angeles	77	69	.527	5 1/2	42-30	35-38	6-4	L-1
San Fran.	75	71	.514	7 1/2	42-29	33-41	6-4	L-3
San Diego	68	77	.469	14	36-40	30-38	6-4	W-2
Houston	67	79	.459	15 1/2	43-27	24-51	5-5	W-3
Atlanta	59	87	.404	23 1/2	34-40	25-47	3-7	L-2

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 16) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1. Notre Dame (39) (1-0) 787 1

2. Florida State (9) (2-0)	747	2
3. Auburn (5) (2-0)	731	3
4. Brigham Young (1) (3-0)	612	7
5. Southern Cal (1) (2-0)	595	4
6. Tennessee (3-0-1)	528	6
7. Nebraska (1) (2-0)	489	8
8. Miami (1-1)	394	10
9. Virginia (3-0)	393	11
10. Michigan (0-1)	363	5
11. Texas A&M (2-0)	322	12
12. Ohio State (2-0)	200	14
13. Arkansas (1-0)	135	15
14. Arizona (2-0)	75	16
15. Florida (2-0)	72	21
16. Washington (2-0)	56	20
17. Illinois (1-1)	44	17
18. Colorado (1-1-1)	42	9
19. Clemson (2-1)	36	19
20. Texas (1-0)	33	17
21. (tie) Fresno State (3-0)	19	23
21. (tie) Arizona State (2-0)	19	24
23. (tie) Oregon (2-0)	7	z
23. (tie) Michigan St. (0-0-1)	7	22
25. Syracuse (1-1-1)	5	z

z-unranked

Others receiving votes: Georgia Tech, Iowa, Louisiana State, Pittsburgh, Wyoming.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	80	67	.544	-	46-27	34-40	3-7	L-4
Toronto	78	68	.534	1 1/2	39-35	39-33	8-2	W-2
Detroit	71	77	.480	9 1/2	36-39	35-38	5-5	W-2
Milwaukee	69	77	.473	10 1/2	34-38	35-39	5-5	W-1
Cleveland	67	80	.456	13	36-37	31-43	6-4	L-1
Baltimore	65	79	.451	13 1/2	33-38	32-41	5-5	L-2
New York	60	86	.411	19 1/2	32-39	28-47	3-7	L-2
West								
Oakland	94	52	.644	-	47-25	47-27	8-2	W-3
Chicago	84	62	.575	10	45-29	39-33	5-5	W-4

Texas	77	69	.527	17	45-30	32-39	8-2	L-1
California	74	73	.504	20 1/2	41-34	33-39	5-5	L-2
Seattle	72	75	.490	22 1/2	37-38	35-37	4-6	W-2
Kansas City	68	78	.466	26	42-33	26-45	2-8	W-1
Minnesota	66	82	.446	29	35-37	31-45	3-7	L-3

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - The White House has received word from American diplomats in Baghdad that President Bush's videotaped message appears to have been played uncut. Presidential spokesman Bill Harlow says the strident rebuttal by Iraq following the airing of Bush's tape indicated that Bush's message ''struck home'' with the Iraqis.

An analyst of the military balance in the Middle East says a proposed 20-BILLION-dollar weapons purchase by Saudi Arabia of U-S hardware could spark an arms race in the region. Israel has historically opposed such deals, but the Jewish state is expected to assume a lower profile because of the standoff with Iraq along the Saudi border.

A deceased Iraqi architect reportedly invested in a Florida cherry flavoring plant and used his investment to collect and export cyanide compounds that could be used for toxic weapons. A published report adds the Iraqi financier was linked to a Libyan chemical weapons plant.

New York Post employees are working today on what may be the newspaper's last edition. Nine of the Post's 10 unions approved broad concessions during last-minute negotiations Friday night. But it's up to the 10th and largest union, the Newspaper Guild, to accept the pay cuts and layoffs during tomorrow night's meeting.

NASA's shuttle program will confront a major test tomorrow afternoon when the shuttle Columbia is scheduled to be be fueled for its Tuesday launch. The spaceplane has been grounded three times stemming from problems with the ship's fuel lines. Space agency officials are expressing cautious optimism that the oft-delayed astronomy mission will finally get off the ground.

The traditional monarch of South Africa's six-Million Zulus today asked African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela to meet the head of the rival Inkatha movement. Speaking at a peace rally outside Johannesburg, the monarch told Mandela to act ''before it is too late'' to avert further tribal violence.

Representatives of four rival Cambodian factions are arriving in Bangkok today for a joint council meeting. The groups are supposed to represent Cambodia while a U-N interim authority supervises a cease-fire and elections. But the factions differ over interpretations of the U-N peace plan.

Authorities in Walterboro, South Carolina, are investigating the death of a woman who was mauled by seven malnourished dogs that lived in her home. Officials say Patricia Roberts may have suffered a seizure during which she had a nosebleed or other wound that attracted the starving dogs. The attack occurred last Wednesday.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - Every NFL head coach has a victory now, thanks to upsets Sunday by the teams of rookie coaches Joe Bugel, Rod Rust and Bruce Coslet.

Bugel's Phoenix Cardinals scored the most surprising triumph, edging the Eagles 23-21 in Philadelphia. Rust's victory might have been the most rewarding, since his New England Patriots' 16-14 triumph came over Indianapolis, whose coach Ron Meyer once tried to fire Rust. Coslet's victory was probably the most costly, since the New York Jets lost their best three rookies in a 24-21 upset over Cleveland.

The Cardinals were two-touchdown underdogs, and fell behind 14-0 early and 21-14 in the fourth quarter. But Al Del Greco kicked three fourth-quaerter field goals, including a 42-yarder with 25 seconds left to lift Phoenix and drop the Eagles to 0-2.

Bugel, who spent the last nine years as a Redskins assistant, lost 31-0 to his old team last week.

Del Greco's 50-yard field goal with 4:44 left cut the Philadelphia lead to 21-20 and the Cardinals moved 58 yards to the winning kick.

''We were playing for the field goal,'' Bugel said. ''The one before, he really hit it. He said, 'Just get it near the 30.'''

Phoenix rookie running backs Johnny Johnson and Anthony Thompson rushed for touchdowns.

Philadelphia's Randall Cunningham passed for two touchdowns and ran for a third but threw two costly interceptions. The Eagles are off to a disappointing start after two straight playoff seasons.

Rust, a 62-year-old rookie head coach, was Meyer's defensive coordinator when Meyer was the Patriots head coach. He tried to dump Rust in 1984, but Meyer was fired instead and Raymond Berry took over as head coach. Rust, who replaced Berry after last season, may have cost Meyer his job with the Colts with Sunday's victory in Indianapolis.

''I hadn't looked at it as my first NFL win,'' said Rust, who was given a game

ball by the players. ''It's the Patriots' first win of the season and that's good.''

A CBS-TV report Sunday said Meyer would be fired and Illinois Coach John Mackovic was in line to replace him. Colts General Manager Jim Irsay and Mackovic denied the report, but Indianapolis's 0-2 start does not help Meyer.

New England's Steve Grogan completed 16 of 24 passes for 187 yards, including a 27-yard touchdown to Hart Lee Dykes. John Stephens carried 25 times for 96 yards and his 2-yard run for a first down with 1:26 to play sealed New England's 11th victory in its past 13 games against the Colts.

The Colts lost five turnovers, including four interceptions by rookie Jeff George.

''It's hard to begin. There are a lot of reasons for the inadequacy of the Colts,'' Meyer said. ''The key factor was the amount of turnovers we had. We had opportunities. We could not capitalize when they arrived.''

The Jets rebounded from Eric Metcalf's 98-yard TD return of the opening kickoff to storm to a 24-7 halftime lead on a 2-yard run by Freeman McNeil, a 6-yard run by Johnny Hector and a 1-yard run by Brad Baxter. Pat Leahy added a 47-yard field goal before the Browns answered with Bernie Kosar's 4-yard TD pass to Reggie Langhorne and a 9-yard Leroy Hoard run in the second half.

Coslet, a former Bengals assistant, also lost to his old team in the opener.

''Thank God it finally happened,'' said Coslet, at 44 the youngest of the new coaches, of his first victory. ''I wanted it to happen last week.

''We're in the fix-it stage of our program here. We have the basics in. Now we have to fix what happened.''

The Jets medical staff has some fixing to do. Running back Blair Thomas, a first-round pick, left in the second quarter with strained ribs; supplemental draft pick wide receiver Rob Moore suffered a bruised shoulder; and starting rookie cornerback Tony Stargell a sprained ankle. New York also lost strong safety Brian Washington with a bruised thigh. It was not known how long they will be sidelined.

-- AROUND THE NFL --

In other games, San Francisco clubbed Washington 26-13, Minnesota trounced New Orleans 32-3, the New York Giants blasted Dallas 28-7, Miami smashed Buffalo 30-7, Chicago ripped Green Bay 31-13, the Los Angeles Raiders trimmed Seattle 17-13, Cincinnati nicked San Diego 21- 16, Detroit edged Atlanta 21-14, and the Los Angeles Rams crushed Tampa Bay 35-14.

Houston played at Pittsburgh Sunday night, and Kansas City visits Denver Monday night.

49ers 26, Redskins 13

At San Francisco, Joe Montana threw for 390 yards and two TDs to become the 49ers all-time passing leader. Montana surpassed John Brodie's career-mark of 3,548 yards in the third quarter on a 34-yard toss to John Taylor. Montana finshed with 29 completions in 44 attempts. Taylor caught eight passes for 160 yards and one touchdown.

Vikings 32, Saints 3

At Minneapolis, Wade Wilson threw three TD passes and linebacker Mike Merriweather had two interceptions to lead the Vikings. Wilson, who failed to throw for three TDs in a 1989 game, did it for the second time this season to lift the Vikings to 1-1. He completed 16 of 24 passes for 212 yards. His TD strikes of 15 yards to Anthony Carter, 5 to Herschel Walker and 15 to Steve Jordan led the Vikings to 24 unanswered points.

Giants 28, Cowboys 7

At Irving, Texas, Phil Simms threw for one TD and ran for another and linebacker Lawrence Taylor scored with a pass interception to lift New York to its fifth straight victory over Dallas.

Dolphins 30, Bills 7

At Miami, Sammie Smith ran for two TDs and the Dolphins blanked Buffalo for three quarters to snap a six-game losing streak against the Bills. Smith scored from 2 yards out in the first quarter and again from the 1 in the third. Dan Marino hit fullback Tony Paige from 17 yards out in the fourth quarter and Pete Stoyanovich kicked field goals of 23, 29 and 48 yards in the first half. Buffalo, 1-1, scored with 11:45 left in on Larry Kinnebrew's 1-yard run.

Bears 31, Packers 13

At Green Bay, Wis., Jim Harbaugh rushed for one TD and passed for two more to lift Chicago. The Bears, 2-0, sacked Anthony Dilweg six times and forced five turnovers, three of them leading to Chicago scores. The Packers fell to 1-1.

Raiders 17, Seahawks 13

At Seattle, Mervyn Fernandez scored one TD and set up Greg Bell's game-winning 1-yard run to lift the Raiders. Bell scored with 1:26 left in the game came after Fernandez made an acrobatic 24-yard catch, soaring high to snare Jay Schroeder's pass at the Seahawks 3.

Bengals 21, Chargers 16

At San Diego, Boomer Esiason's third TD pass of the game, a 23-yarder to Eddie Brown with 12:08 left, lifted the Bengals back from a 13-0 first-quarter deficit. Esiason hit scoring passes of 10 yards to James Brooks and 30 yards to Brown before the winning score. The Chargers raced to an early lead on Billy Joe Tolliver TD passes of 36-yards to Ronnie Harmon and 17 yards to Joe Caravello.

Lions 21, Falcons 14

At Pontiac, Mich., Rodney Peete threw two TD passes and Barry Sanders ran for another score to lift Detroit. The Lions, 1-1, built an early 21-7 bulge and held off the Falcons, who suffered their first loss under Coach Jerry Glanville. Atlanta pulled within 21-14 midway through the third quarter on Steve Broussard's 3-yard gallop around left end but never crossed midfield in the final period.

Rams 35, Buccaneers 14

At Tampa, Fla., Robert Delpino caught two of Jim Everett's four scoring passes and Bobby Humphery returned an interception 44 yards for a demoralizing touchdown on the final play of the opening half to lead Los Angeles.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - NFL SCORING SUMMARIES:

ATLANTA	7	0	7	0-14
DETROIT	7	14	0	0-21

First Quarter
Det-Greer 12 pass from Peete (Murray kick), 9:54
Atl-Rison 10 pass from Miller (Davis kick), 14:27

Second Quarter
Det-Johnson 5 pass from Peete (Murray kick), 4:58
Det-Sanders 17 run (Murray kick), 14:40

Third Quarter
Atl-Broussard 3 run (Davis kick), 7:16
Fourth Quarter

No scoring

A-48,961

	Atl	Det
First downs	15	17
Rushes-yards	27--122	27--83
Passing yards	173	181
Sacked-yards lost	3--23	3--9
3rd down eff.	3--13--23.0	3--11--27.0
4th down eff.	1--2--50.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	18--31--0	14--29-2
Punts	8--44.9	7--46.1
Punt returns-yds	2--19	6--32
KO returns-yds	4--41	3--42
Fumbles-lost	1--1	1--0
Penalties-yards	6--79	5--35
Time of possession	32:58	27:02

BUFFALO	0	0	0	7- 7
MIAMI	0	16	7	7-30

First Quarter
No Scoring

Second Quarter
Mia-Smith 2 run (Stoyanovich kick), 0:04
Mia-FG Stoyanovich 23, 4:34
Mia-FG Stoyanovich 29, 5:43
Mia-FG Stoyanovich 48, 14:58

Third Quarter
Mia-Smith 1 run (Stoyanovich kick), 10:18

Fourth Quarter
Mia-Paige 17 pass from Marino (Stoyanovich kick), 0:07
Buf-Kinnebrew 1 run (Norwood kick), 3:15

A-68,142

	Buf	Mia
First downs	12	19
Rushes-yards	15--44	38--129
Passing yards	161	177
Sacked-yards lost	3--13	0--00
3rd down eff.	4--10--40.0	7--14--50.0
4th down eff.	0--2--00.0	1--1--100.0
Passes	19--35--1	18--26--0
Punts	5--34.8	4--43.3
Punt returns-yds	2--26	5--37
KO returns-yds	4--75	1--18

Fumbles-lost	2--2	4--1
Penalties-yards	4--35	6--50
Time of possession	20:52	39:08

CHICAGO	0	17	7	7--31
GREEN BAY	7	3	3	0--13

First Quarter
GB-Woodside 10 run (Jacke kick), 7:24

Second Quarter
Chi-FG Butler 41, 5:27
Chi-Anderson 1 run (Butler kick), 10:51
Chi-Harbaugh 2 run (Butler kick), 13:26
GB-FG Jacke 37, 14:52

Third Quarter
Chi-Morris 40 pass from Harbaugh (Butler kick), 8:28
GB-FG Jacke 37, 14:36

Fourth Quarter
Chi-Anderson 16 pass from Harbaugh (Butler kick), 6:20

A-58,938

	Chi	GB
First downs	18	18
Rushes-yards	41--146	15--81
Passing yards	157	189
Sacked-yards lost	6--39	2--4
3rd down eff.	6--13--46.0	6--13--46.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	1--1--100.0
Passes	11--16--1	22--40--2
Punts	4--38.8	3--42.7
Punt returns-yds	2--20	3--14
KO returns-yds	3--43	6--97
Fumbles-lost	0--0	6--3
Penalties-yards	6--35	3--27
Time of possession	35:37	24:23

CLEVELAND	7	0	7	7--21
NY JETS	14	10	0	0--24

First Quarter
Cle-Metcalf 98 kickoff return (Kauric kick), 0:16
NYJ-McNeil 2 run (Leahy kick), 2:27
NYJ-Hector 6 run (Leahy kick), 11:58

Second Quarter
NYJ-FG Leahy 47, 3:36
NYJ-Baxter 1 run (Leahy kick), 7:54

Third Quarter
Cle-Langhorne 4 pass from Kosar (Kauric kick), 9:30

Fourth Quarter
Cle-Hoard 9 run (Kauric kick), 13:01

A-67,354

	Cle	NYJ
First downs	13	21
Rushes-yards	15--44	40--170
Passing yards	215	192
Sacked-yards lost	3--18	3--26
3rd down eff.	4--13--31.0	2--12--17.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	0--1--00.0
Passes	24--41--0	13--21--0
Punts	8--42.0	7--33.7
Punt returns-yds	3--20	3--20
KO returns-yds	4--160	4--89
Fumbles-lost	2--22	0--0
Penalties-yards	6--87	5--38
Time of possession	25:40	34:20

NEW ENGLAND	0	7	3	6--16
INDIANAPOLIS	7	0	0	7--14

First Quarter
Ind-Bentley 1 run (Biasucci kick), 14:09

Second Quarter
NE-Dykes 27 pass from Grogan (Staurovsky kick), 8:10

Third Quarter
NE-FG Staurovsky 39, 11:35

Fourth Quarter
NE-FG Staurovsky 27, 5:34
NE-FG Staurovsky 25, 12:24
Ind-Brooks 68 pass from George (Biasucci kick), 12:44

A-49,256

	NE	Ind
First downs	16	14

Rushes-yards	39--123	22--064
Passing yards	187	143
Sacked-yards lost	0--00	2--17
3rd down eff.	10-17--59.0	2--08--25.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	2--2-100.0
Passes	16--24--1	12--24--4
Punts	3--40.7	2--38.5
Punt returns-yds	1--08	3--38
KO returns-yds	1--00	4--86
Fumbles-lost	0--0	2--1
Penalties-yards	8--42	5--35
Time of possession	36:52	23:08

LA Rams	14	14	7	0-35
Tampa Bay	0	7	0	7-14

First Quarter
LA-McGee 6 pass from Everett (Lansford kick), 4:14
LA-Ellard 14 pass from Everett (Lansford kick), 14:41

Second Quarter
LA-Delpino 10 pass from Everett (Lansford kick), 9:28
TB-Hill 48 pass from Testaverde (Christie kick), 10:30
LA-Humphery 44 interception return (Lansford kick), 15:00

Third Quarter
LA-Delpino 42 pass from Everett (Lansford kick), 4:19

Fourth Quarter
TB-G. Anderson 1 run (Christie kick), 0:51

A-59,705

	Rams	TB
First downs	22	13
Rushes-yards	35--136	18--61
Passing yards	253	194
Sacked-yards lost	2--16	2--23
3rd down eff.	8--13--61.5	3--11--27.3
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	1--2--50.0
Passes	18--25--0	16--31--1
Punts	3--38.3	5--43.0
Punt returns-yds	4--39	2--12
KO returns-yds	1--23	5--76
Fumbles-lost	1--0	3--1
Penalties-yards	4--25	2--29
Time of possession	35:02	24:58

PHOENIX	0	7	7	9--23
PHILADELPHIA	14	0	7	0--21

First Quarter
Phil-Hargrove 34 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick), 4:28
Phil-Cunningham 1 run (Ruzek kick), 14:45

Second Quarter
Phil-Johnson 22 run (Del Greco kick), 1:53

Third Quarter
Pho-Thompson 1 run (Del Greco kick), 3:40
Phil-Sherman 2 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick), 13:12

Fourth Quarter
Pho-FG Del Greco 25, 6:06
Pho-FG Del Greco 50, 10:16
Pho-FG Del Greco 42, 14:35

A-64,396

	Pho	Phil
First downs	14	17
Rushes-yards	31--145	27--104
Passing yards	89	223
Sacked-yards lost	6--27	4--29
3rd down eff.	7--15--47.0	4--10--40.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	0--1--00.0
Passes	11--19--1	17--24--2
Punts	4--35.8	4--43.5
Punt returns-yds	2--29	1--7
KO returns-yds	3--61	6--104
Fumbles-lost	1--0	2--1
Penalties-yards	4--44	11--115
Time of possession	29:53	30:07

NEW ORLEANS	0	3	0	0-- 3
MINNESOTA	3	15	14	0--32

First Quarter
Minn-FG Igwebuike 30, 7:16

Second Quarter
Minn-Safety, Dusbabek tackled Hilliard in end zone, 2:20
Minn-FG Igwebuike 48, 8:29
NO-FG Andersen 37, 12:14
Minn-Carter 15 pass from Wilson (Igwebuike kick), 14:37
Minn-FG Igwebuike 38, 15:00

Third Quarter
Minn-Walker 5 pass from Wilson (Igwebuike kick) 12:16
Minn-Jordan 15 pass from Wilson (Igwebuike kick) 13:49

Fourth Quarter
No scoring

A-56,272

	NO	Minn
First downs	11	17
Rushes-yards	30--118	33--119
Passing yards	135	191
Sacked-yards lost	3--16	4--21
3rd down eff.	5--15--33.0	6--16--38.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	26--10--4	26--16--0
Punts	6--48.2	8--41.8
Punt returns-yds	3--21	4--14
KO rturns-yards	5--116	1--6
Fumbles-lost	1--1	0--0
Penalties-yards	10--66	4--40
Time of possession	25:56	34:04

NY Giants	0	14	7	7	28
Dallas	0	7	0	0	7

First Quarter
No scoring

Second Quarter
NYG-Simms 4 run (Allegre kick), 3:58
NYG-Anderson 1 run (Allegre kick), 10:43
Dal-Wright 90 kickoff return (Willis kick), 10:59

Third Quarter
NYG-Bavaro 4 pass from Simms (Allegre kick), 9:09

Fourth Quarter
NYG-Taylor 11 interception return (Allegre kick), 3:59

A-61,090

	NYG	Dal
First downs	23	9
Rushes-yards	50--168	11--20
Passing yards	201	136

Sacked-yards lost	1--7	2--13
3rd down eff.	10--15--67.6	1--7--14.3
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	0--1--00.0
Passes	16--21--0	14--27--2
Punts	3--40.0	3--48.3
Punt returns-yds	3--23	2--20
KO returns-yds	2--28	5--162
Fumbles-lost	4--3	5--2
Penalties-yards	6--71	8--44
Time of possession	41:40	18:20

LA RAIDERS	3	0	0	14--17
SEAHAWKS	0	3	7	3--13

First Quarter
Raid-FG Jaeger 49, 3:36

Second Quarter
Sea-FG Johnson 22, 9:52

Third Quarter
Sea-Williams 2 run (Johnson kick), 12:03

Fourth Quarter
Raid-Fernandez 12 pass from Schroeder (Jaeger Kick), 0:43
Sea-FG Johnson 19, 8:53
Raid-Bell 1 run (Jaeger kick), 13:34

A-61,889

	Raid	Sea
First downs	16	23
Rushes-yards	25--91	36--122
Passing yards	235	222
Sacked-yards lost	1--1	1--3
3rd down eff.	5--9--55.5	5--10--50.0
4th down eff.	0--1--00.0	1--1--100.0
Passes	10--17--0	19--24--1
Punts	2--42.5	1--43.0
Punt returns-yds.	1--5	1--0
KO returns-yds	3--75	4--60
Fumbles-lost	1--0	1--0
Penalties-yards	10--65	5--45
Time of possession	21:47	38:13

Cincinnati	0	14	0	7--21
San Diego	13	3	0	0--16

First Quarter
SD-Harmon 36 pass from Tolliver (Reveiz kick), 12:40.
SD-Caravello 17 pass from Tolliver (kick failed), 5:12.

Second Quarter
Cin-Brooks 10 pass from Esiason, 8:03
SD-FG Reveiz 19, 2:33.
Cin-Brown 30 pass from Esiason (Breech kick), 1:34.

Third Quarter
No scoring.

Fourth Quarter
Cin-Brown 23 pass from Esiason (Breech kick), 12:08.

A-48,098

	Cin	SD
First downs	18	18
Rushes-yards	24--79	27--139
Passing yards	223	278
Sacked-yards lost	3--27	1--6
3rd down eff.	6--13--45	6--15--40
Passes	20--34--3	20--38--1
Punts	6--36.3	6--47.7
Punt returns-yds	5--36	3--0
KO returns-yds	3--56	3--80
Fumbles-lost	0--0	3--2
Penalties-yards	2--10	7--75
Time of Possession	27:54	32:06

WASHINGTON	0	10	3	0--13
SAN FRANCISCO	3	17	3	3--26

First Quarter
SF-FG Cofer 31, 6:42

Second Quarter
SF-Rice 12 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 0:42
Wash-FG Lohmiller 37, 6:15
SF-Taylor 49 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 8:31
Wash-Monk 35 pass from Rypien (Lohmiller kick), 13:12
SF-FG Cofer 29, 14:49

Third Quarter
Wash-FG Lohmiller 20, 9:17
SF-FG Cofer 26, 14:10

Fourth Quarter
SF-FG Cofer 34, 5:36

A-64,287

	Wash	SF
First downs	16	22
Rushes-yards	20--87	29--97
Passing yards	241	390
Sacked-yards lost	0--0	0--0
3rd down eff.	3--12--25.0	11--18--61
4th down eff.	1--2--50.0	1--1--100
Passes	17--37--0	29--44--1
Punts	4--44.5	2--43.5
Punt returns-yds	0--00	3--34
KO returns-yds	6--102	3--54
Fumbles-lost	1--0	0--0
Penalties-yards	3--30	3--20
Time of possession	25:24	34:36

HOUSTON	0	7	2	0	- 9
PITTSBURGH	7	3	0	10	-20

First Quarter
Pit-D. Johnson 26 interception return (Anderson kick), 3:29

Second Quarter
Hou-White 1 run (Zendejas kick), 3:10
Pit-FG Anderson 31, 14:28

Third Quarter
Hou-Safety, Brister tackled in end zone by Childress, 4:58

Fourth Quarter
Pit-FG Anderson 27, 1:29
Pit-Woodson 52 punt return, 3:11

A-54,814

	Hous	Pitt
First downs	20	10
Rushes-yards	16--51	27--68
Passing yards	258	81
Sacked-yards lost	4--26	4--26
3rd down eff.	3--12--25	1--13--8
4th down eff.	0--1--00.0	0--1--00.0
Passes	24--48--4	9--23--0
Punts	5--40.6	8--37.5

Punt returns-yds	2--6	4--74
KO returns-yds	4--74	2--45
Fumbles-lost	1--0	0--0
Penalties-yards	14--104	12--92
Time of possession	33:38	26:22

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HOCKEY

NY Islanders - Returned center Chris Taylor to London (OHL) and left wing Sylvain Fleury to Longueil (QMJHL); released center Guy Roleau.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

PITTSBURGH

	ab	r	h	bi
Backman 2b	4	0	0	0
Bell ss	3	0	1	0
Van Slyke cf	4	0	0	0
Bonilla rf	4	0	0	0
Bonds lf	3	1	0	0
Bream 1b	1	0	0	0
Redus 1b	1	0	0	0
LaValliere c	2	0	0	0
Slaught ph	0	0	0	0
Cangelosi pr	0	0	0	0
Bilardello c	0	0	0	0
McClendn ph	1	0	0	0
King 3b	3	0	0	0
Tomlin p	1	0	0	0
Kipper p	0	0	0	0
Landrum p	0	0	0	0
Reynolds ph	1	0	0	0
Power p	0	0	0	0
Totals	28	1	1	0

MONTREAL

	ab	r	h	bi
Raines lf	4	1	2	0
Nixon cf	4	1	1	1
Galarraga 1b	4	0	0	0
Wallach 3b	3	0	0	1
Grissom rf	3	0	0	0
Noboa 2b	3	0	0	0
DeShields 2b	1	0	0	0
Fitzgerald c	2	0	0	0
Owen ss	3	1	2	0
Anderson p	1	0	0	0
Roomes ph	1	0	0	0
Ruskin p	0	0	0	0
Burke p	0	1	0	0
Frey p	0	0	0	0
Totals	29	4	5	2

Pittsburgh	010	000	000-	1
Montreal	000	002	20x-	4

E-Fitzgerald, Van Slyke, Redus. LOB-Pittsburgh 6, Montreal 5. 2B-Bell, Owen 2. 3B-Nixon. SB-Bonds (48), Bream (7), Grissom (19). SF-Wallach.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Tomlin (L 3-3)	6 1-3	5	4	2	3	6
Kipper	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Landrum	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Power	1	0	0	0	0	2
Montreal						
Anderson	5	1	1	1	3	3
Ruskin (W 3-2)	1 2-3	0	0	0	1	2
Burke	1	0	0	0	1	1
Frey (S 8)	1 1-3	0	0	0	1	3

Balk-Kipper.

Umpires-Home, Hohn; 1b, Tata; 2b, Quick; 3b, Bonin.

T-2:49. A-21,286.

PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	5	0	1	0	Johnson ss	3	1	0	0
Booker ss	5	1	2	0	Herr 2b	3	1	1	0
VHayes lf	5	1	2	1	Magadan 1b	3	0	0	1
Murphy rf	3	1	1	1	Strawberry rf	4	0	2	1
Kruk 1b	5	2	2	1	McReynlds lf	4	0	0	0
Daulton c	4	2	3	3	Jefferies 3b	3	0	1	0
Hollins 3b	4	1	1	2	Boston cf	3	0	0	0
Morandini 2b	4	0	1	0	Sasser c	3	0	0	0
DeJesus p	4	0	1	0	Schatzeder p	0	0	0	0
McDowell p	0	0	0	0	Omalley ph	1	0	0	0
					Cone p	1	0	0	0
					Ojeda p	0	0	0	0
					Hughes ph	1	0	0	0
					Darling p	0	0	0	0
					Hundley c	0	1	0	0
Totals	39	8	14	8	Totals	29	3	4	2

Philadelphia	020	200	220-	8
New York	100	000	020-	3

DP-Philadelphia 1, New York 1. LOB-Philadelphia 6, New York 5. 2B-VHayes, Jefferies. 3B-Kruk 2. HR-Daulton (12), Hollins (5). SF-Magadan.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Philadelphia							
DeJesus (W 6-7)	7	1-3	3	3	2	5	6
McDowell	1	2-3	1	0	0	0	1

New York						
Cone (L 12-9)	4	6	4	4	1	5
Ojeda	1	1	0	0	1	0
Darling	2	5	4	4	0	2
Schatzeder	2	2	0	0	0	1

Darling pitched to 2 batters in the 8th.

WP-DeJesus. Balk-Ojeda. PB-Hundley, Daulton.

Umpires-Home, Darling; 1b, Froemming; 2b, Pulli; 3b, Rippley.

T-2:55. A-44,813.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Javier cf	4	2	3	1	Larkin ss	4	2	2	0
Sharpersn 3b	2	1	1	1	Morris 1b	4	2	3	2
Harris 3b	0	1	0	0	Doran 2b	4	1	3	2
Daniels lf	4	1	1	2	Davis lf	5	1	1	0
Murray 1b	2	0	1	0	O'Neill rf	2	0	0	2
Gott p	0	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	2	1	1	2
Brooks rf	3	0	1	0	Quinones 3b	1	0	0	0
Dempsey c	1	0	0	1	Reed c	4	1	1	0
Hansen ph	1	0	0	0	Winnnghm cf	4	0	0	0
Hernandez c	1	0	0	0	Charlton p	1	1	1	0
Samuel 2b	5	0	0	0	Scudder p	1	0	0	0
Griffin ss	3	0	0	0	Trevino ph	1	0	1	1
Gwynn ph	1	0	0	0	Dibble p	0	0	0	0
Offerman ss	0	0	0	0	Lee ph	1	0	0	0
Morgan p	3	0	1	0	Brown p	0	0	0	0
Cook p	0	0	0	0	Myers p	0	0	0	0
Holmes p	0	0	0	0					
Walsh p	0	0	0	0					
Gibson ph	1	0	0	0					
Hatcher 1b	0	0	0	0					
Totals	31	5	8	5	Totals	34	9	13	9

Los Angeles	200	001	020-	5
Cincinnati	020	061	00x-	9

DP-Cincinnati 1. LOB-Los Angeles 11, Cincinnati 9. 2B-Sharperson, Doran 3, Morris 2, Javier, J Reed, Trevino. HR-Sabo (24), Javier (2), Daniels (26). SB-Morris (8), Doran (22). S-Javier, Sharperson. SF- O'Neill 2.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Morgan (L 10-14)	4	7	6	6	4	5
Cook	2-3	3	2	2	0	0
Holmes	2-3	1	1	1	1	2
Walsh	1 2-3	1	0	0	1	1
Gott	1	1	0	0	0	2
Cincinnati						
Charlton	2	5	2	2	4	2
Scudder (W 4-5)	3	1	0	0	1	1
Dibble	2	1	1	1	2	4
Brown	2-3	1	2	2	1	1
Myers	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Charlton pitched to three batters in the third inning.

Morgan pitched to four batters in the fifth inning.

HBP-Daniels by Charlton, Brooks by Scudder.

Umpires-Home, Wendelstedt; 1b, West; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, Marsh.

T-3:17. A-35,546.

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	4	1	1	0	Yelding ss	4	0	0	0
Bass rf	4	0	2	0	Davidson rf	0	0	0	0
Benjamin ss	0	0	0	0	Davis ph	1	0	1	1
Clark 1b	4	0	2	0	Candaele 2b	4	1	2	0
Santana pr	0	0	0	0	Rhodes cf	4	0	1	0
Laga 1b	0	0	0	0	Stubbs lf	4	0	2	1
Mitchell lf	3	0	1	1	Clancy p	0	0	0	0
Williams 3b	3	0	0	0	Agosto p	0	0	0	0
Carter c	4	0	0	0	Caminiti 3b	3	1	0	0
Thompson 2b	4	0	1	0	Anthony rf	3	0	1	0
Uribe ss	1	0	0	0	Young cf	1	1	1	0
Bathe ph	1	0	0	0	Biggio c	3	0	2	1
Kingery rf	0	0	0	0	Oberkfell 1b	3	0	0	0
Litton rf	1	0	0	0	Osuna p	0	0	0	0
Robinson p	3	1	1	1	Gonzalez 1b	0	0	0	0
					DeShaies p	2	0	0	0
					Ramirez ss	1	0	0	0
Totals	32	2	8	2	Totals	33	3	10	3

One out when winning run scored.

San Francisco	100	000	010-	2
Houston	100	000	002-	3

DP-Houston 1. LOB-San Francisco 6, Houston 9. 2B-Mitchell, Candaele.
HR-Robinson (2). SB-Stubbs (15). S-Uribe, Biggio. SF-Mitchell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Robinson (L 10-6)	8 1-3	10	3	3	3	5
Houston						
Deshaies	7	5	1	1	0	6
Osuna	1	2	1	1	0	1
Clancy	2-3	1	0	0	1	0
Agosto (W 8-7)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Osuna pitched to one batter in the 9th.

Umpires-Home, Montague; 1b, Davidson; 2b, C Williams; 3b, McSherry.

T-2:41. A-9,937.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts 3b	5	2	1	2	Smith lf	4	0	0	0
Hammaker p	0	0	0	0	Gant cf	4	1	1	0
Abner rf	5	0	1	0	Justice rf	3	1	2	1
Jackson cf	4	0	2	0	Presley 3b	3	0	0	1
Carter lf	3	1	0	0	Cabrera 1b	4	1	1	1
Stephensn 1b	2	0	0	0	Blauser ss	3	1	0	0
Templeton ss	3	1	1	3	Olson c	4	0	0	0
Cora ss	2	0	0	0	Lemke 2b	4	0	1	1
Clark 1b	4	1	2	0	Avery p	0	0	0	0
Parent c	4	1	1	1	Berroa ph	1	0	0	0
Faries 2b	3	2	1	1	Clary p	0	0	0	0
Rasmussen p	2	1	1	0	Thomas ph	1	0	1	0
Pagliarulo 3b	1	0	0	0	Luecken p	0	0	0	0
					Vatcher ph	1	0	0	0
					Henry p	0	0	0	0
					Mann ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	38	9	10	7	Totals	33	4	6	4

San Diego	072	000	000-	9
Atlanta	100	002	001-	4

E-Presley 3, Cabrera, Cora. DP-Atlanta 1. LOB-San Diego 5, Atlanta 5.

2B-Templeton, Thomas. HR-Roberts (8), Justice (25), Cabrera (6). SB-Parent (1). S-Faries, Rasmussen. SF-Presley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Rasmussen (W 11-13)	7	5	3	3	1	2
Hammaker	2	1	1	0	1	2
Atlanta						
Avery (L 3-9)	3	7	9	3	0	1
Clary	2	1	0	0	0	0
Luecken	2	2	0	0	1	2
Henry	2	0	0	0	0	3

WP-Rasmussen, Avery.

Umpires-Home, Barnes; 1b, Winters; 2b, Davis; 3b, Layne.

T-2:22. A-4,058.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Walton cf	4	1	1	0	Gilkey lf	4	0	1	0
Sandberg 2b	4	2	1	0	OSmith ss	4	0	1	0
Grace 1b	3	2	2	2	Lankford cf	4	0	0	0
DwSmith rf	5	0	0	0	Guerrero 1b	2	0	1	0
May lf	3	1	1	1	Jose rf	4	0	0	0
Dawson ph	1	0	1	1	Wilson 3b	3	1	1	0
Dascenzo lf	1	0	0	0	Pagnozzi c	4	1	1	0
Berryhill c	4	2	3	1	Oquendo 2b	3	1	1	2
GSmith ss	4	0	2	3	Hill p	0	0	0	0
Wilkerson 3b	4	0	1	0	Niedenfuer p	0	0	0	0
Nunez p	1	0	0	0	Pena ph	1	0	0	0
Villanueva ph	1	0	0	0	Dayley p	0	0	0	0
Bielecki p	1	0	0	0	Walling ph	1	0	0	0
					Sherrill p	0	0	0	0
					Brewer ph	1	1	0	0
					Camacho p	0	0	0	0
					Clarke p	0	0	0	0
					Thompson ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	36	8	12	8	Totals	32	4	6	2

Chicago	113	000	210-	8
St. Louis	000	030	100-	4

DP-Chicago 1, St. Louis 1. LOB-Chicago 8, St. Louis 5. 2B-Walton, Berryhill 3, May, Pagnozzi, Dawson, Gilkey, Grace. 3B- Oquendo. SB-Sandberg (23). S-Nunez.

SF-GSmith.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Nunez (W 3-6)	5	4	3	3	2	3
Bielecki (S 1)	4	2	1	0	2	2
St. Louis						
Hill (L 4-4)	2 2-3	8	5	5	1	0
Niedenfuer	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Dayley	2	1	0	0	2	0
Sherrill	1 1-3	0	2	1	1	1
Camacho	2-3	1	0	0	1	0
Clarke	2	2	1	1	0	1

WP-Hill. Balk-Nunez.

Umpires-Home, Demuth; 1b, Gregg; 2b, Crawford; 3b, Harvey.

T-2:38. A-39,402.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - During a taped message broadcast to the Iraqi people today, President Bush said President Saddam Hussein misjudged world opinion when he invaded Kuwait. Bush added Iraq that could NEVER win a war against the U-S-led multi-national force in the Persian Gulf. After the speech, Iraqi television aired a rebuttal during which Hussein's spokesman called Bush a world dictator.

Coast Guard officials say the tanker that exploded this morning on Michigan's Saginaw River is carrying more than one-Million gallons of gasoline. The tanker Jupiter suffered additional explosions this afternoon and continues to burn out of control. The tanker was UNloading fuel at a petroleum plant at the time of the blast. One of 18 crewmembers is missing and 11 others are injured.

The West African nation of Gabon held its first multi-party elections today, but the voting was marred by several incidents. A mob raided a polling place that ran out of ballots in the southern part of the country. And in the capital city of Libreville, the City Hall was closed after a commando group vandalized the offices. Security forces were called out to restore order.

Police in Miller Place, New York, say their Kbe burglar who tried to escape through a ceiling, but fell through to the floor below. Police say a patrolling officer allegedly spotted Richard Roberts, a recently released parolee, enter the Cornerstone Pub through a broken window. When the suspect spotted the officer he shimmied up an apparetnly weak ceiling partition.

The fate of the New York Post remains up in the air today as Newspaper Guild members agonize over whether to accept sweeping concessions or vote the newspaper out of business. Nine of the Post's 10 unions approved paycuts, layoffs and benefit reductions during last- minute negotiations Friday night, but the 352-member Guild is the Post's largest union and holds the deciding vote. The vote is set for tomorrow night.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - President Bush told the Iraqi people his views of the Persian Gulf crisis today during Iraq's broadcast of an eight-minute taped message. Bush told the Iraqis their nation stands ''isolated and alone.'' Iraq television immediately aired a rebuttal, calling Bush a world dictator. Meanwhile... 54 Americans who had been trapped in Baghdad arrived near Baltimore late this afternoon.

French authorities in Paris today rounded up at least 29 Iraqi nationals for immediate expulsion. The action is part of President Mitterrand's response to an Iraqi raid on a French diplomatic compound in occupied Kuwait last week. Also... Italy ordered the Iraqi military attache and his staff to leave the country within 10 days and banned Iraqi embassy employees staying in Italy from leaving Rome.

A tanker still holding about 20-thousand barrels of gasoline continues to burn on Michigan's Saginaw River. It's NOT known if any fuel has spilled into the river. An explosion rocked the tanker Jupiter this morning... leaving one crew member missing and injuring 11 others. Coast Guard officials say the fire from the vessel is too intense to fight at this time.

Members of Liberia's interim government say rebel leader Charles Taylor has rejected peace proposals aimed at ending the West African nation's nine-month-old civil war. Taylor commands the most powerful rebel force in Liberia. His rejection came amid fierce weekend fighting in the capital city of Monrovia between rebel troops and peace-keeping forces.

A 20-month-old boy who was trapped for 14 hours in a narrow construction shaft in Denver was released from the hospital today... just eight hours after his rescue. The emergency room physician who treated Kevin Davis says the toddler was given some food and fluids to treat dehydration. During the rescue operation... firefighters improvised lullabies to keep the child awake.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - President Bush told the Iraqi people today ''there is NO way Iraq can win'' a war against the international force in the Middle East. The

videotaped message was shown on Iraqi television... followed by an Iraqi response saying ''Bush is envious of Iraq and its leader.''

160 Americans landed in Baltimore today after being stranded in Iraqi-controlled Kuwait. One of the freed hostages said a soldier at one point interrogated him at gunpoint and threatened to kill him.

France today rounded up at least 29 Iraqi nationals to be expelled... in return for Iraq's storming of the French ambassador's home in Kuwait. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today reportedly said he hopes France will NOT side further with the United States.

A former Egyptian foreign minister and envoy to the United Nations is favored to become the next secretary-general of the Arab League. He says the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait damages the Arab world in a way that NON- Arab enemies would have liked.

The Persian Gulf crisis is providing ammunition for backers of the Philadelphia Navy Yard in their fight to keep the shipyard open. Supporters of the yard say the confrontation shows the need for a full force of aircraft carriers... which can be repaired at the yard.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - President Bush today accused the Iraqi leadership of miscalculating world opinion when it invaded Kuwait. In videotaped comments broadcast on Iraqi television... Bush said the Iraqi public faces tragedy because of its leaders' actions. Throughout his eight-minute message... Bush implicated Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as the root of current troubles in the Middle East. Bush vowed to maintain pressure on Iraq until troops are removed from Kuwait.

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Observers say Jordan for the most part, appears faithful to its pledge to honor U-N sanctions against Iraq. The single desert road from Iraq into Jordan has been closely watched and observers say the only oil traffic from Iraq seems to be destined for domestic consumption. Jordan has joined the international call for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait... but has remained allied with its neighbor.

Members of Liberia's interim government say rebel leader Charles Taylor is refusing to back off his claim to become the western African nation's sole leader. Taylor's reported refusal to accept a ceasefire and yield to organized elections comes as heavy fighting occurred between Taylor's forces and Western African peacekeeping troops. It is reported that Ghana planes bombed rebel positions.

Coast Guard officials say a tanker burning on the Saginaw River in Michigan may burn well into tomorrow. An explosion rocked the tanker Jupiter this morning as it was UNloading fuel at a petroleum plant. One of the vessel's crewmembers is missing and 11 others were injured. Officials say the tanker is carrying more than one-Million gallons of gasoline. Michigan Governor James Blanchard has declared a state of emergency.

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(SEPT. 16) UPI - A pro-Iranian militia leader in Lebanon told United Press International today that the Persian Gulf crisis will do little to help speed up the release of U-S hostages held in Lebanon. The remarks follow Lebanese reports that Syria would revive efforts with its ally Iran to free the 13 captives. Six Americans are among those believed to be held by pro-Iranian Shiite extremists.

Israeli and Palestinian sources say a masked Palestinian was shot and killed and another wounded by an army patrol. The shooting occurred as a group of Palestinians wrote nationalistic slogans on neighborhood walls in the Gaza Strip. Military sources say the soldiers fired their weapons after the Palestinians initiated a gunfight. The wounded Palestinian escaped and is being sought in a house-to-house search.

Authorities in Walterboro, South Carolina, are investigating the death of a woman who was mauled by seven malnourished dogs that lived in her home. Police say the dogs may have attacked Patricia Roberts after she suffered a possible nosebleed during a seizure on Wednesday. They add that the dogs that attacked Roberts were 20 pounds underweight. Two other well-fed dogs apparently did NOT attack.

Florida lottery officials say six tickets hold the winning numbers to a jackpot estimated at 105-Million dollars... or about 17-point-five- Million dollars for each ticket. Lottery Secretary Rebecca Paul says NONE of the winners has come forward. But the state has arranged free air fare to bring winners to Tallahassee to check their tickets before they claim their winnings.

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NEWTON, MA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Staples Inc. (NASDAQ:SPLS) announced Monday a strengthening and realignment of its management team.

Staples Inc. pioneered the office superstore industry, and currently operates 53 stores in the Northeast United States and California.

Louis Pepi, currently president of the Ohio Valley division of Super Valu,

joins staples as executive vice president of operations. In this newly created role, he will work with Staples' four Eastern Regional Vice Presidents; as well as Jack Battista, vice president of distribution; and John Burke, vice president of human resources. Pepi will become a member of the firm's management commmittee.

William Paul, who joined Staples as vice president of advertising and sales promotion, has been promoted to vice president of merchandising. In this role he will rely heavily on his 15 years of experience in buying and merchandising, and will lead Staples' talented team of product managers. He will work closely with Tim Cascanet, vice president of Procurement, who will oversee replenishment, merchandising systems and store display.

Paul's advertising and public relations responsibilities will be assumed by James Forbush, vice president of marketing, whose scope of work will be broadened to encompass all of marketing and advertising. Forbush will be assisted by Phyllis Wasserman, who recently joined Staples as director of advertising, a role she performed for Lechmere Sales.

Rob Voss, currently executive vice president of sales and merchandising will become executive vice president, special projects reporting to Tom Stemberg, the firm's chairman. Messrs. Cascanet, Forbush, and Paul will report to Henry Nasella, the firm's president.

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MARKHAM (SEPT. 17) BUSINES WIRE - Stephen J. Sadler, president and chief executive officer of Geac Computer Corp. Ltd., announced Monday that Geac has entered into an agreement with Jonas & Erickson Software Technology Inc.'s trustee in bankruptcy, Peat Marwick Thorne Inc., to acquire, among other things, Jonas & Erickson's software programs and certain computer equipment.

The transaction is subject to a number of conditions but is scheduled to be completed on Monday, Sept. 17, 1990. The acquisition will be effected through the subsidiaries of Geac.

Jonas & Erickson's software is used in several vertical markets including the Construction, Property Management, Apparel Distribution, Wholesale Distribution and Hospitality markets. Over 2000 customers currently use this software in North America.

Sadler stated, ''We intend to contact current customers who are using Jonas & Erickson software to assure them of Geac's ongoing support of the client base and continuing development of the product.'' Geac's commitment is to provide a

total solution - hardware, software, engineering services, consulting services and support - to give its customers a competitive advantage in their marketplace.

Founded in 1971, Geac Computer Corp. Ltd. is a world leader in the design, integration and manufacture of computer software and hardware, serving the Library Automation, Financial Services, and Manufacturing Systems markets worldwide with revenues of over $72,000,000.

A world leader in OnLine Transaction Processing (OLTP) solutions, Geac combines unique skills in application software, systems software, hardware, and support services on a broad range of industry standard hardware platforms. Geac serves several vertical markets worldwide with a staff of over 500 professionals in 10 countries. Geac has development centers in Canada, the USA the UK and France. Its world headquarters are in Markham, Ontario Canada.

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#90260b0042 09/17/1990 ~Business Wire

BOULDER, COLO. (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Paul D. Whittle, president of American Educational Products Inc. (NASDAQ:AMEP) Monday announced the signing of an agreement to purchase 30-year-old Hubbard Scientific Inc., a leading supplier of educational science materials.

Hubbard Scientific Inc. is a dominant force in the educational market in the manufacturing and development of earth science and life science materials to elementary, junior, and senior high grades. Hubbard recorded revenues for fiscal year 1989 of approximately $5 million with a significant after-tax profit.

The Hubbard product line includes, in part, geological products, physiological models, raised relief topographic maps, and physical science items as well as a variety of other products that supplement the science teaching cirriculum. Hubbard currently markets its products through dealers and distributors and has a yearly distribution of over 500,000 four-color catalogs to school systems nationwide.

According to Whittle, the American Educational Products Inc. planned acquisition of Hubbard Scientific Inc. reinforces the corporate commitment of continued growth and expansion through the acquisition of companies in the educational industry that afford product compatibility and potential new markets as well as strong sales and profitability.

Plans for the future include a strengthening of the already existing dealer relationships, a focused product development program, revisions of existing

products where necessary and increased coverage of Hubbard products in the company's Summit Learning Science catalog.

American Educational Products Inc. is a leading supplier of math and earth/science products to the nation's school systems, reported sales of $3.3 million and after-tax profits of $246,000, or 13 cents profit per share for fiscal year 1989. Sales for the first six months of 1990 were $2,028,946 with after-tax profits of $184,657, or 9 cents per share.

Denver-based Boettcher & Co., a division of Kemper Corp., serves as investment banker to the company and was instrumental in structuring the purchase agreement and is arranging the financing for the transaction.

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#90260b0054 09/17/1990 ~Business Wire
LONDON (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Expanding its T-NET local area network product portfolio, British Telecom Monday announced it has selected Advanced Computer Communications (ACC) as its partner in providing local to wide-area network connectivity.

Under an agreement with the Santa Barbara, Calif. company, British Telecom will resell and support ACC's LAN bridge/routers, designating them in its T-NET IN2000 range.

The bridge/router products covered under the agreement provide links between T-NET LANs across both X.25 packet-switching networks and private circuits. Currently the products route both DECnet and TCP/IP packets, while bridging all other network protocols. ACC and British Telecom are already developing additional routing capabilities for other protocols supported by T-NET LANs.

All of ACC's bridge/router products comply fully with the international ISO standards 8802/3 for Ethernet and ISO 8802/2D for spanning tree bridging.

Robert Streeter, manager of British Telecom's T-NET internetworking group commented, ''Our customers are finding it increasingly important to be able to move data easily across the boundaries between local and wide-area networks. In ACC, we have found a partner willing to adapt its products to meet the requirements for our UK customers.''

According to Gary Krall, ACC's director of marketing, ''British Telecom's understanding of the market's product and service requirements allied to ACC's product strength will ensure customer's LAN and WAN needs are satisfied. The significance of this partnership is that British Telecom will be the distribution and support channel for the sale of ACC products in the United

Kingdom. In addition, ACC and British Telecom will be working jointly in defining future technology enhancements for the products.''

As part of the relationship, and in close collaboration with British Telecom, ACC's bridge/router product capabilities have been expanded to support the UK and European CCITT X.21 standard for connection to public switched networks. In addition, ACC's products also conform to recognized safety and emission standards.

Since its incorporation in 1975, ACC has been developing and manufacturing data communications hardware and software products that focus on customer needs. Its internetworking products were introduced in 1988. Since that time ACC has become a market leader in the remote bridge/router and network management arena. Worldwide, ACC products are connecting local and wide-area networks in government and commercial industries.

British Telecom is the United Kingdom's principal supplier of public and private voice and data communications network services and products, and is now rapidly developing a global networking and network management capability. It has been supplying corporate communications systems since 1987 based on its T-NET LAN and Open Systems Cabling Architecture (OSCA) structured wiring platform to a significant and growing customer base in government and commercial markets.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - An ongoing program that provides local companies with a technology pipeline from Silicon Valley to Siemens world markets celebrates its 25th seminar this year with a look at new developments in Eastern Europe.

The seven year old program is sponsored by Siemens, which each year brings together some of its international senior purchasing staff with local companies for the ''Siemens Electronics Seminar, Sunnyvale'' program.

Siemens managers with large volume purchasing responsibilities for other Siemens companies around the world meet with the valley's leading manufacturers, ranging from Intel, AMD, Motorola, Texas Instruments and NSC to Altera, Cypress, VLSI, and LSI Logic.

Siemens will host a dinner on Sept. 18 to thank the local companies that have

participated in the seminars for helping Siemens executives decide where to spend its money locally.

The featured speakers will include the German Consul General from San Francisco, who will address ''The Development in Eastern Europe from a German Point of View.'' Another guest from Siemens Corporate Purchasing in Munich will speak on ''Siemens and a United Germany.'' Three of the participating companies will receive a special award.

Nearly 100 Siemens employees have visited Sunnyvale since the company began the program in 1984. They meet with about 20 local companies while attending the program. Only three of four Siemens employees participate in the seminar series at a time.

They participate in a formal program of technical presentations, visits to local IC facilities and learn to test lab, CAD workstation, fabrication and assembly operations. In addition to improving their technical knowledge, the managers also discuss export and regulatory matters.

They return to Europe, Africa, Australia or South America better able to analyze and evaluate U.S. manufacturers and products when making international purchasing decisions.

According to Siemens purchasing staff in Sunnyvale, this seminar series opens up Silicon Valley technologies to a global marketplace. Executives of local companies appreciate the unique nature of the opportunity to reach an international audience without leaving their own backyard -- an opportunity that often translates into increased sales by enhancing credibility and strengthening relationships.

Headquartered in Munich, Siemens employs more than 365,000 people worldwide and has annual sales of about $33 billion. Siemens has operations in 124 countries and has 173 wholly-owned manufacturing facilities. In the United States, Siemens employs more than 31,000 people in 49 states including more then 3,000 in the Bay Area.

In 1989, Siemens USA annual sales exceeded $3.5 billion. The company also spends more than two billion dollars annually in purchasing American products and services.

Siemens operations in the Bay Area include the Sunnyvale Purchasing office of Siemens Corp.; Siemens Components Inc., in Santa Clara and Cupertino; Crystal Technology in Palo Alto; Siemens Medical Laboratories Inc. in Concord; Siemens Ultrasound in San Ramon; Spectroscopy Imaging in Fremont; Tel Plus Communications in Pleasanton; Rofin-Sinar in San Jose; and Rolm Systems in Santa Clara.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America Monday introduced a new check series, ''Imagenes Familiares'' (Family Images), the only bilingual (English/Spanish) checks currently offered by a major California bank.

The series, painted by San Francisco artist Carmen Lomas Garza, depicts five Hispanic family scenes.

The new checks are available at all Bank of America branches beginning today. To commemorate Hispanic Heritage Month, Sept. 15 through Oct. 15, those people opening new personal checking accounts at Bank of America can get their first order of ''Imagenes Familiares'' free of charge.

The titles of the five ''Imagenes Familiares'' check scenes are:

- Banderitas: portrait of a family teaching their children the tradition of cut-out art.

- Cocinando: portrait of a family in the kitchen preparing food.

- Abuelito en el Maizal: portrait of a grandfather in the garden tending the corn.

- La Ensenanza: portrait of a parent helping children with their homework.

- Salsa Sabrosa: portrait of musicians playing congas.

''The bilingual check series is a continuation of the bank's tradition of serving the Hispanic market,'' said Thomas E. Peterson, vice president of Bank of America's Consumer Banking Group. ''The ckecks are a symbol of our commitment to provide high-quality financial services to the Latino community.''

Bank of America is also reaching the Hispanic market with Spanish-language advertising, a toll-free teleservices phone line in Spanish, Spanish-language customer information brochures and bilingual deposit and withdrawal forms. In addition, Bank of America has Spanish-speaking staff in many of its 825 branches.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - On Sept. 17 Bunker Hill Income Securities Inc. (NYSE:BHL), a closed-end bond fund, declared a regular dividend of 41 cents per share, payable Oct. 12 to shareholders of record Sept. 28.

Security Pacific Investment Managers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Security Pacific Corp., is investment adviser and manager of Bunker Hill. The fund has 2,741,076 shares listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

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SANTA ANA, CA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The First American Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:FAMRA) has acquired Commerce Title Agency Inc., the largest title company in Akron, Ohio, for cash and notes, according to Executive Vice President Parker S. Kennedy.

''Commerce Title will strengthen our competitive position in the state of Ohio an excellent title-insurance market,'' Kennedy said. ''This acquisition is of special importance to First American because of the capabilities and enthusiasm of its owner, Orville Jones Jr. He will join us and assist us in perpetuating our strong statewide Ohio branch network.''

First American operates in Ohio primarily through its wholly owned subsidiary, Midland Title Security.

First American Financial, based in Santa Ana, operates its title-insurance business through its principal subsidiary, First American Title Insurance Co., one of the largest title insurers in the nation.

The company offers title services through a network of more than 5,500 offices or agents in all 50 states. It also provides title services abroad in the Bahamas, Guam, Mexico, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the United Kingdom.

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REDWOOD CITY, CA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - DHL Worldwide Express will become the first air express network to offer service to Cuba beginning this week, expanding the network's reach to 188 countries.

DHL International Ltd. has approved an agreement with Telematica de Cuba to act as DHL's exclusive agent in Cuba and will begin shipping three days a week to Havana and 15 other cities each Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

DHL International Ltd. and DHL Airways Inc., the U.S.-based company, are two separate, independently owned organizations which make up the DHL Worldwide Express network. Each company acts as an exclusive agent for the other.

The items allowed for import and export between the United States and Cuba are restricted by the U.S. Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Asset Control (OFAC). At first, DHL will only accept documents such as books, publications, newspapers, catalogs, brochures and business correspondence for shipment. Shipments of some dutiable goods are expected to follow shortly.

Because of limited flights into Havana's Jose Marti International Airport, shipments originating from the United States will initially take two to three days.

The United States has restricted trade and travel with Cuba since 1963. The passage of the Omnibus Trade Act of 1988 allows for free commerce with Cuba for select ''informational materials.''

DHL Airways Inc. received approval from OFAC to import and export limited items in, out and through the United States with Cuba as a final destination.

The DHL Worldwide Express network established the international air express market in 1969. They were the first to offer service to virtually every major destination in the world including Eastern Europe (1983), the Soviet Union (1985), and the People's Repulic of China (1988).

DHL Airways Inc. has headquarters in Redwood City, Calif. DHL International Ltd. has headquarters in Brussels, Belgium.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of MagneTek Inc. (NYSE:MAG), a leading electrical equipment manufacturer, has elected the company's President, Frank Perna Jr., to the additional position of chief

executive officer.

The announcement of Perna's election was made by Andrew G. Galef, MagneTek's chairman since the company's founding in 1984.

Perna joined MagneTek as president and director in June, 1985.

Prior to joining the company, Perna served as a vice president and group executive of Whittaker Corp. and president and chief executive officer of one of its subsidiaries. Previously, he served as president of the Instrumentation Group and corporate vice president of Bell & Howell Co. and earlier, president and chief operating officer of Sun Electric. He had earlier spent some 17 years with General Motors.

Perna holds a master's degree in management from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, a master's degree in electrical engineering from Wayne State University and a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from General Motors Institute.

With headquarters in Los Angeles, MagneTek provides a wide range of Energy Engineered electrical equipment and services to utilities and industrial customers. The company operates 50 manufacturing and service facilities throughout North America and overseas and employs some 15,000 associates. MagneTek recorded sales of $1.1 billion for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Microwave Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DMIC) announced Monday that Robert K. Dahl has joined the company as executive vice president and chief financial officer.

In this position Dahl will be responsible for all financial activities of the corporation including investor relations.

''We are pleased to welcome Robert K. Dahl to our company, his experience and relationships in the financial community and his leadership abilities are essential assets as we continue to grow our company,'' commented William E. Gibson, president and chief executive officer of Digital Microwave Corp.

Dahl brings over 20 years of financial and international management experience to his new position. Most recently, Dahl served as the senior vice president and chief financial officer of American President Companies, a $2.3 billion international corporation.

His most notable position was vice president and chief financial officer for Rolm Corp., where in addition to his responsibilities in the financial area he was responsible for the international facet of the Rolm/IBM relationship.

Headquartered in San Jose, Digital Microwave Corp. is a leading supplier of high performance short-haul transmission products to domestic and international markets.

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MILPITAS, Calif. (SEPT 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Xicor Monday announced to its employees a reorganization and the implementation of efficiency, cost savings and inventory control measures.

These measures are the result of mounting factory output in contrast to continuing sluggish bookings.

Raphael Klein, president, said in the announcement to the employees that ''while design activity at our customers for use of our products is at an all time high, bookings of customer orders so far have remained at the sluggish summer pace.

''Since our production is operating efficiently at a level significantly above the current shipment level, we have been able to build a very strong inventory position and are able to respond quickly to the short delivery times required by today's market.

''To slow down inventory build-up and to reduce costs, in mid-August we temporarily suspended or reduced hiring, salary increases, overtime and non-critical expenditures and instituted a partial shutdown during the two weeks which ended yesterday.

''As the order booking rate has continued substantially below our production capability, we need to further reduce expenditures and inventory growth and preserve cash.

''During the last several months, we studied our manufacturing and engineering operations with the goal to improve them through a more efficient organization and shorter communication channels. As a result, today we put in effect a much stronger manufacturing and engineering structure.

''In wafer fab, since our new 6-inch line is proceeding well past the infancy stage with recent initial revenue output of 512K and 1 Megabit EEPROMs, we can

now consolidate the management, manufacturing operations and engineering of the 4-inch and 6-inch lines. This is a key step toward the gradual conversion over several years of the whole wafer fab to 6-inch operation.

''In the test operations, we have combined all test support services. In engineering, we have merged Product Engineering with Reliability Engineering and Quality Engineering to place full product responsibility in the hands of one group with a combined higher level of expertise.

''At the corporate level we have established a new quality information and compliance (QIC) group which will perform expanded monitoring and auditing while the daily QA and Reliability activities will now be conducted by manufacturing and engineering through intensified and improved built-in manufacturing quality and reliability procedures.

''As a result of these reorganizations, and by eliminating non-essential positions, the company is reducing its workforce by 36 people.

''In order to match expenses with revenues and to avoid further reduction in workforce as much as possible, we are also temporarily scaling back work hours. Until we see significant improvements in bookings, we will be reducing work hours (with concurrent reduced pay) for most employees by 10 to 25 percent.''

In addition, Klein stated: ''On the basis of expected significant bookings and resultant sales growth, we had previously anticipated regaining profitability during the latter part of 1990. Unless bookings for quick turn deliveries increase significantly in the near future, we will not be able to attain profitability in 1990.

''Although we will decrease operating costs, the reduced operations level will not be sufficient to cover all fixed costs, principally depreciation expense.

''In my second quarter report to shareholders I expressed my belief that in the third quarter of 1990 we will show increased revenues and further improvement in the gross profit margin compared with the second quarter of 1990.

''In about two weeks we will report what I believe will be improved results in terms of increased revenues and a marked reduction in loss for the third quarter which ended Sept. 9, 1990 compared with the second quarter of 1990.''

Klein concluded, ''Overall the company is now performing well internally and in delivery to its customers, and is very well positioned to grow further as market demand picks up.''

Xicor, a semiconductor manufacturer, is the leading supplier of proprietary devices which retain their information content without power yet can be easily

reprogrammed in the system.

These advanced products, based on a technology called ''full-featured EEPROM '' enable customers to manufacture systems with reduced service costs, improved readiness, automatic self-calibration capability and simpler end-user customization.

Xicor products are now widely accepted in all the traditional markets which use semiconductors: computers and peripherals, consumer products, telecommunications, industrial controls, the military and transportation. Xicor's customer base encompasses many of the top-tier electronics companies in the United States, Europe and the Far East.

Xicor offers its customers the most complete EEPROM capabilities in the industry: products with high quality and reliability, a wide range of densities, interfaces and package configurations, proven wafer fabrication and product testing, advanced CMOS and NMOS technologies with a clear path to the future and highly competent on-site technical customer support.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Dorchester Hugoton Ltd. (NASDAQ:DHULZ) announced today the partnership's regular quarterly cash distribution of 5 cents per unit for the third calendar quarter of 1990. The distribution covers third quarter receipts for natural gas production and is payable on Oct. 26 to depositary receipt holders of record on September 30.

Dorchester Hugoton Ltd. is a Dallas-based producer of natural gas and its Depositary Receipts are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol DHULZ.

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GLENDALE, CA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - B. Wayne Hughes, chairman of the board of Storage Properties Inc. (AMEX:PSA), announced Monday that the company's board of directors declared a 25 cents per share quarterly distribution.

The company's Advisor has guaranteed that cash distributions will be a 10 percent per annum noncompounded return on the $10 per share offering price through June 1993. The distribution is payable on Oct. 15, 1990, to

shareholders of record as of Sept. 28, 1990. Shareholders who acquired their shares through June 30, 1990, will receive 25 cents per share. Those who purchased shares in the public offering after June 30, 1990, will receive a prorated distribution.

The public offering, which was effective June 23, 1989, concluded at 5 p.m. on Sept. 17, 1990. PSA's shares have already received approval from the American Stock Exchange for listing, and the company's shares will begin trading on Oct. 1, 1990.

PSA's principal investments are comprised of first mortgage convertible loans on five self-storage properties. The properites are located in Bedford Park, Ill.; Las Vegas; Los Angeles; Brooklyn, N.Y.; and Silver Spring, Md. The Bedford Park, Las Vegas and Los Angeles properties are generating rental revenues. The Brooklyn property is scheduled to commence operations in September 1990, and the Silver Spring property is expected to open in December 1990.

PSA recently acquired through a joint venture a leasehold interest in a self-storage facility located in Hillside, N.J. The Hillside property has been in operation since 1986. With this addition to the portfolio, approximately $27 million of the public offering has been committed.

PSA is a real estate investment trust (REIT) organized in March 1989. PSA has invested primarily in nonrecourse loans to PS Properties Advisors Inc. (the Advisor), an affiliate of Public Storage Inc.

The loans are secured by first priority mortgages or deeds of trust on properties that are in operation or being developed as self-storage facilities.

Additionally PSA has entered into agreements for the right to acquire properties securing the loans during a specified period. PSA's objectives are to preserve and protect its invested capital, provide for cash distributions from operations, and realize capital appreciation of its properties.

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OAKLAND, Calif. (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - American President Companies Ltd. (APC) Monday announced that Robert K. Dahl, senior vice president and chief financial officer, has decided to leave APC to accept a position with a high technology company.

Dahl will remain with APC for the balance of the year to aid in completion of the first phase of the company's cost repositioning and process simplification

effort, announced on Aug. 22.

W.B. Seaton, chairman of APC, said, ''We are sorry to lose Bob Dahl, but wish him success in his new position.''

America President Companies Ltd. provides container distribution and transportation services within and between Asia and North America through an intermodal system combining ocean, rail and truck transportation.

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MEDFORD, ORE. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Medite Corp. announced it will begin producing Medite in New Mexico and will change the name of its medium-density fiberboard (MDF) plant in Las Vegas, New Mexico, to Medite of New Mexico.

The former Montana de Fibra plant was originally purchased by Medite in May 1989. It had been producing MDF under the brand name Team MDF, while major upgrades and improvements to the manufacturing systems were being completed.

''The worldwide demand for Medite has grown dramatically in the last few years '' explained Medite Corp. marketing and sales director, Wade Gregory. ''The addition of the New Mexico plant, along with our two existing plants in Oregon and Ireland, should allow us to keep pace with this demand during the 90's.''

Medite of New Mexico is a wholly owned subsidiary of Medite Corp., currently the world's largest manufacturer of quality MDF. The New Mexico plant is being operated under the direction of Plant Manager Mike Miller and Sales Manager Bennie Young.

For more information, contact Bennie Young at P.O. Drawer 1427, Las Vegas, New Mexico, 87701; phone 800/832-6633.

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FREMONT, CA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - VeloBind Inc. (NASDAQ:VBND), commenting on the trading activity in its common stock, Monday confirmed that it has been engaged in discussions with another company for the possible acquisition of all of VeloBind's outstanding shares.

Carl J. Swenson, VeloBind's president and chief executive officer, said, ''Although discussions have occurred and are continuing, no agreement has been

reached and there can be no assurances that a transaction will result.'' VeloBind further indicated that it does not anticipate making any additional announcements on this subject during the course of the negotiations.

VeloBind has manufactured and marketed professional-quality office binding systems for more than 20 years. The company's products are widely used by law offices, accounting firms, government agencies, schools, and other organizations that require attractive, securely bound documents.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE)--The board of directors of CommerceBancorp (NASDAQ:CBNB) has authorized the repurchase of up to $1 million of its common stock from time to time in the open market and in privately negotiated transactions based upon the $10.25 closing price of the common stock on Sept. 14, 1990.

Purchases of $1 million of common stock would represent 4.6 percent of the company's outstanding shares of common stock.

Clyde H. Gossert, president and chief executive officer, stated, ''We feel our common stock is undervalued by the market and represents an attractive investment for the company.''

CommerceBancorp's principal subsidiary, CommerceBank, specializes in loans and deposit services to small and medium-sized businesses in Orange County and Long Beach.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Silicon Valley Group Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SVGI) Monday announced it has entered into a new four-year $50 million secured credit facility arranged by Bank of America.

Participating banks in this credit facility are Bank of America N.T. & S.A., Barclays Bank PLC, Algemene Bank Nederland N.V., and Security Pacific National Bank. The company has borrowed $20 million under the facility to repay an interim loan incurred in connection with the acquisition by SVG of a majority interest in SVG Lithography Systems Inc.

(''SVGL''), formed to acquire The Perkin-Elmer Corp.'s Optical Lithography Operations. SVG currently owns approximately 79 percent of the outstanding shares of common stock of SVGL.

Separately, SVG also announced that, due to market conditions, it is withdrawing its registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Aug. 14, 1990, which related to a proposed public offering of SVG common stock.

Silicon Valley Group Inc. is a leading supplier of automated wafer processing equipment for the worldwide semiconductor industry. SVG's product divisions are the Track Systems Division, focused on photoresist processing equipment, and the Thermco Systems Division offering oxidation, diffusion and low-pressure chemical vapor deposition (LPCVD) processing systems.

SVG Lithography Systems Inc. delivers photolithography exposure tools which utilize step-and-scan technology. -0-

Note to Editors: When referring to Silicon Valley Group Inc. in an abbreviated format, please use ''SVG.''

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CUPERTINO, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer Inc. Monday announced it has joined the two major UNIX consortia -- UNIX International and the Open Software Foundation.

This action bolsters Apple's support of industry standards and ensures earliest access to emerging UNIX technologies. In addition, Apple has announced that A/UX, its Macintosh computer UNIX platform, will comply with the X/Open Portability Guide (XPG).

''Apple offers our customers a unique and powerful arsenal -- the benefits of the popular Macintosh computing environment combined with industry standards '' said Randy Battat, Apple's vice president of worldwide product marketing.

''By joining both UNIX consortia, we can evaluate all proposed technologies and adopt those that best meet the needs of our customers. Compliance with X/Open's XPG provides yet another important standard for our customers in business, universities and governments throughout the world.''

A/UX 2.0 is Macintosh for UNIX customers. It presents the familiar and intuitive Macintosh computer desktop and runs the shrink-wrapped productivity

applications that have made Macintosh famous.

A/UX 2.0 enables users to have a single system on their desktop for all their daily work including Macintosh, UNIX, and X Window System applications plus MS-DOS and Motif applications using third-party products.

Apple, the Apple logo, Macintosh, and A/UX are registered trademarks of Apple Computer Inc. UNIX is a registered trademark of AT&T. X/Open is a registered trademark of X/Open Company Ltd.

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LAGUNA HILLS, CA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - A new wholly owned subsidiary of Sir Speedy Inc., the quick-printing franchisor, has purchased certain assets of accounting services franchisor Comprehensive Accounting Corp.

The announcement was made Monday by Sir Speedy President and Chief Executive Officer Don Lowe. The sale includes certain franchise contracts, trademarks, trade secrets and accounts receivable. Terms were not disclosed.

With a national client base of almost 20,000, Comprehensive Accounting is considered the leading franchisor of accounting services for small and mid-size businesses. ''We see this acquisition as a natural extension of our business-to-business orientation and believe it offers excellent growth potential,'' said Lowe.

The new subsidiary will own and operate the franchise system under the name Comprehensive Business Services as a separate unit of Sir Speedy. C. Robert Wissler, Sir Speedy senior vice president, will be the company's president and chief operating officer. Wissler said a new national headquarters will eventually be established and staffed for Comprehensive Business Services in Southern California.

The company has been operating in Aurora, Ill. Wissler also said certain existing staff would be located to the new operation.

Over 200 Comprehensive franchises are operating in 34 states and in Puerto Rico. All franchisees are degreed accountants. Some are Certified Public Accountants. They provide clients with monthly accounting, bookkeeping, tax and business consultative services. Many also offer a new five-year business plan and loan application service.

Sir Speedy is one of the world's largest and most successful franchisors of printing and copying centers. At the close of 1989, the Sir Speedy system

included over 800 centers operating under the Sir Speedy Printing Center name and over 60 centers carrying the Copies Now name. There are Sir Speedy franchises throughout the United States, Canada, Hong Kong, Taiwan and Columbia.

The Sir Speedy system posted sales of over $300 million in 1989. This was the first time a quick-printing company reached this sales level. It was the second consecutive year the system led the industry in sales.

Sir Speedy performance has been dramatic throughout the 1980s. Gross revenue increased from $3.9 to $13.5 million; pretax income grew from $700,000 to $5.1 million. The number of franchised operations expanded from 260 to 865.

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COPIAGUE, NY (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - American Biogenetic Sciences, Inc. (''ABSI'') 1/8NASDAQ:MABXA (common), MABXA (units), MABXA (warrants)3/8 Monday announced that Vincent J. McBrierty Sc.D. has joined its Board of Directors.

Dr. Vincent J. McBrierty is Professor of Polymer Physics and Fellow of Trinity College, Dublin. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Physics and the American Physical Society as well as a Member of the Royal Irish Academy and the New York Academy of Sciences. He has acted as research consultant to diverse industries in Ireland, Europe and the United States as well as fulfilling roles as Irish representative on various committees of the European Community. His papers have been widely published.

Within the past five years, he has served as Dean of Science, College Bursar, Advisor to the Council of Europe on Science and Technology, as a Member of Ireland's Higher Education Authority and as a member of the Board of the Institute for Advanced Studies in Ireland.

Alfred J. Roach, Chairman of ABSI noted ''Professor McBrierty brings to ABSI several decades of experience and expertise with a diversified scientific, business and academic background. Professor McBriety is highly qualified to help shape our achievements and we welcome him as a valuable addition to our Board.

'' We also look forward to expanding our relationship with Trinity College with which we jointly developed ABSI's first product, a diagnostic kit to quickly and accurately assess a patients' risk of an impending heart attack or

stroke. This product is expected to be on sale in the U.S. by early 1991 and has a potential worldwide annual market of approximately $400,000,000.''

American Biogenetic Sciences is a biopharmaceutical company which has conducted research and development at the University of Notre Dame and to commercialize monoclonal antibody based products to diagnose, prevent and treat cardiovascular disease and to develop recombinant vaccines for major diseases lacking effective vaccine protection. These markets are estimated to exceed $2 billion worldwide annually.

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WESTBOROUGH, MA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - ASA Tire Systems Group, a division of ASA International Ltd., (NASDAQ: ASAA), Westborough, Mass., Monday announced that it has completed the acquisition of Computers Northwest Inc. (CNW), effective Friday, Sept. 7, 1990.

Agreement in principle for ASA to acquire the Bellevue, Wash. based CNW was announced on March 28, 1990. Terms of the sale were not disclosed.

In the announcement, both companies acknowledged the venture is expected to strengthen the ASA Tire Systems Group's position as the leading supplier of computer systems solutions to the independent tire dealer, retreader and wholesaler marketplace. The CNW office and staff will continue to operate from the Seattle area, which will strengthen ASA's support and sales coverage throughout the United States and Canada.

''The acquisition will increase the ASA Tire Systems Group client base to more than 1000 tire dealers, and improve our ability to provide quality products, services and support to independent tire dealers coast-to-coast,'' said Eli Szklanka, ASA corporate vice president and general manager of the ASA Tire Systems Group.

The ASA Tire Systems Group was formed in September 1988 when ASA acquired ASCO Inc. Atlanta, Ga., the then-largest provider of computer systems to the tire dealer marketplace. The July 1989 acquistion of Snyder Computing Systems Inc. Pittsburgh, Penn., consolidated ASA's leadership leadership position in the marketplace.

In addition to the independent tire dealers, ASA International Ltd. markets

multi-user computer systems to manufacturing and international trade companies. ASA was founded in 1969 and went public in 1986. Computers Northwest Inc., incorporated in 1979, is a privately owned company that has achieved a long standing reputation for providing quality products and services to the tire dealer marketplace.

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DENVER (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - United Artists Entertainment Co. (UAE) announced Monday that it will redeem its 6-3/8 percent convertible subordinated debentures due Sept. 15, 2002.

The debentures, totaling $100 million, will be repurchased by the company at 101 percent of the principal amount plus accrued interest at the rate of 6-3/8 percent to the redemption date, which is Dec. 14, 1990.

Company officials said that in accordance with the indenture agreement on the bonds, an interest rate reset was required if the market value of the debentures was less than 101 percent of the principal amount for the 30 consecutive trading days commencing 45 trading days before the interest reset date of Sept. 15, 1990.

Two investment banking firms were retained to determine the appropriate interest rate adjustment to cause the bonds to be valued at 101 percent of the principal amount. The two firms have completed their analysis and issued, in their opinion, the required reset rate.

The indenture agreement also provided that in lieu of an interest rate reset, the company could, at its discretion, exercise its right of special redemption and repurchase the bonds at 101 percent of the principal amount plus accrued interest.

''We determined that it would be in UAE's shareholders' best interest to redeem the bonds, given the opportunity to do so,'' said Brendan Clouston, executive vice president and chief financial officer. ''Our ability to take this action was made more logical by our recent refinancing of United Artists debt.''

Notice of the redemption of the bonds, which are convertible into shares of UAE common stock at $17.875 per share, will be sent to the trustee so that bond holders can be notified.

UAE common stock is traded on NASDAQ's National Market Trading System under the symbols UAECA and UAECB. Rights to put common stock also trade under the

symbol TCOMR and are a security of Tele-Communications Inc. UAE is the largest publicly traded affiliate of TCI. UAE's 12-7/8 percent cumulative preferred stock is traded under the symbol UAECP.

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PORTLAND, ORE. (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific First Financial Corp. today announced it has purchased certain Oregon assets and liabilities of Williamsburg Federal Savings and Loan Association from the Resolution Trust Corp. for $3.28 million.

Williamsburg Savings operates 12 branch locations in Oregon primarily in the mid-Willamette Valley and has 22,000 deposit accounts. As of June 30, 1990, deposits in Oregon totaled $120.7 million. The company has been in federal conservatorship since Jan. 26, 1990.

''This latest expansion underscores the financial soundness of Pacific First Bank,'' said Dr. Jerry E. Pohlman, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Pacific First. ''Our strong financial position allows us to continue our growth, while enabling us to serve additional customers from Williamsburg in the same tradition we've served Oregonians since 1936.''

Pacific First Financial is part of the Royal Trustco Ltd. group of financial service companies with a network of operations throughout Canada, the western United States, and in the United Kingdom, Europe, the Caribbean and Asia. Royal Trust has assets under administration of $140 billion (CDN).

Pacific First Financial, parent to Pacific First Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, has 180 locations in Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada and Utah. Pacific First meets current financial requirements mandated under the Financial Institution Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989. With combined assets of $7.5 billion, Pacific First is the largest savings institution headquartered in the Pacific Northwest.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Eastern Utilities Associates (EUA) Monday announced that it was extending its cash tender offer of $36 per share for Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Co. (Fitchburg) common stock until midnight Friday, Oct. 26, 1990, New York City time.

EUA's latest extension comes after Fitchburg's management failed again to respond to EUA's request for meaningful negotiations following the Fitchburg board's decision to put the company up for sale. EUA believes the extension will allow time for the Securities and Exchange Commission to complete the approval process that will enable EUA to purchase the shares already tendered.

As described in a letter to Fitchburg stockholders (copy follows), the fact that a majority of Fitchburg shares has been tendered has resulted in EUA's decision to separate the Fitchburg offer's regulatory approval process from the regulatory approval process for EUA's companion $40 per share tender offer for UNITIL Corp.

EUA announced that as of the close of business on Friday, Sept. 14, 1990, 657,386 shares of Fitchburg common stock had been tendered in response to the tender offer for Fitchburg.

Fitchburg provides electric and gas service to approximately 41,000 customers in the greater Fitchburg, Mass., area, according to its latest annual report.

EUA is a Boston-based, investor-owned holding company whose shares are traded on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges. Subsidiaries are Blackstone Valley Electric Co., Eastern Edison Co., Montaup Electric Co., Newport Electric Corp., EUA Cogenex Corp., EUA Energy Investment Corp., EUA Ocean State Corp., EUA Power Corp., and EUA Service Corp. Together, the companies are known as the EUA System. The EUA System provides electric service to approximately 287,000 customers in Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command has awarded Computer Sciences Corp. (NYSE:CSC) a contract to provide scientific support services to the Army's TEXCOM Experimentation Center located at Fort Hunter-Liggett, Calif., and Ford Ord, Calif.

The contract will cover a one-year base period and four one-year renewable options with a total estimated cost of $65 million.

Computer Sciences will provide a broad range of services that include the planning, execution, data collection, data analysis and reporting of experiments. These will help the Army evaluate the effectiveness of various mixes of manpower and military equipment in combat.

The company's Applied Technology Division will perform the contract at Fort

Hunter-Liggett, with support offices at Fort Ord and Fort Lewis, Wash.

With annual revenues of more than $1.5 billion and more than 22,000 employees, CSC is the largest independent professional services company in the computer industry. It has headquarters in El Segundo, Calif.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif.(SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - SynOptics Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: SNPX), a leading supplier of local area networking products, Monday announced that David Lietzke has joined the company as vice president of human resources.

Reporting to SynOptics president and chief executive officer Andy Ludwick, Lietzke, 41, is responsible for the overall direction of the company's human resources programs. Prior to joining SynOptics, Lietzke served more than four years as director of human resources for Sun Microsystems. Previously, he held the position of senior human resources manager at Apple Computer Corp.

''SynOptics' biggest asset is its people, which directly effects the high quality of our product, our service and our relationships with our customers '' said Ludwick. ''David's experience with other high growth companies will be a valuable asset as we continue to develop as a leading technology marketing company in the valley.''

Lietzke holds a bachelor of arts degree in psychology from the University of Oklahoma in Norman and a master's in clinical psychology from the University of the Pacific in Stockton, Calif.

SynOptics Communications Inc. designs, manufactures and markets local area networking products based on its Network Utility Architecture, a value-added product strategy which incorporates network connectivity, internetworking and network management solutions into an integrated networking system.

Revenue of $77.3 million was reported for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989. Earnings for the period were $9.4 million, or $1.22 per share. The company is currently headquartered at 501 E. Middlefield Road, Mountain View, 94043, 415/960-1100

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NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FL (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Tech Enterprises has just released earnings for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990. Net income for the six months ended June 30, 1990, increased 206 percent ($36,567 to $111,750).

Sun Tech Enterprises
Financial Highlights
Six Months Ended

	6/30/90 (Unaudited)	6/30/89 (Unaudited)	Percent Change
Net income	$111,750	$ 36,567	206

The major forces behind these results have been Asons Tobacco Corp. and Corporate Baseball Cards Inc., two wholly owned subsidiaries of Sun Tech Enterprises.

	6/30/90 (Unaudited)	12/31/89 (Audited)	Percent Change
Total assets	$2,397,259	$2,222,412	7.9
Current assets	$1,918,148	$1,764,094	8.7
Current liabilities	$ 651,514	$1,151,139	(43.4)

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MONTREAL (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Canadian voice processing leader Octel Communications Canada Inc., the Canadian subsidiary of Milpitas, Calif.-based Octel Communications Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:OCTL), Monday announced Bell Canada has purchased a number of Octel voice processing systems to offer central office-based voice processing applications to its Centrex customers.

The purchase agreement has been valued at approximately $2 million (Canadian). The agreement will allow Bell Canada's Centrex customers to take advantage of Octel's industry-leading technology through rental mailboxes on the Centrex service.

''To best meet the Centrex central office requirements we knew we needed to position a voice processing system that combined high performance, high

reliability, high capacity, and a user-friendly interface - characteristics proven in Octel's products,'' said J. Kim Fennell, general manager, Octel Communications Canada Inc.

''We view the emerging central office-based services market as a key area for business growth in telecommunications,'' said Fennell. ''We plan for our success in the Customer Premise Equipment (CPE) and cellular arenas to carry into the Centrex IVMS market.''

Octel Communications Canada has been cited by International Data Corp. as the 1989 market-share leader of the Canadian voice processing market in end-user revenues.

Octel Communications Canada distributes its voice processing products through Canada's major telephone companies, including AGT, Bell Canada, B.C. Tel, Manitoba Tel, Maritime Tel & Tel, New Brunswick Telephone, Newfoundland Tel, Quebec Tel and SaskTel.

Established in 1986, Octel Communications Canada has headquarters in Toronto with branches in Vancouver, Montreal, Ottawa and Calgary.

Octel Communications Corp. designs, manufactures and markets a full line of high-performance voice processing systems. These specialized computers, which integrate with a large number of telephone systems, help companies and individuals solve a range of communications problems.

Octel's Aspen product line is sold in the United States, Canada and overseas to small businesses and large multisite corporations. The recently announced Sierra multiple-application voice processing platform is a very large capacity system designed to meet the special needs of telephone companies and other voice information service providers.

Among the applications for Octel's products are voice mail, integrated telephone answering, automated attendant, call routing and audiotex (voice bulletin boards).

Octel was founded in 1982 and has headquarters in Milpitas.

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MILPITAS, Calif. (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Bell Canada and Canadian voice processing leader (a) Octel Communications Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:OCTL) Monday announced an extension of their voice processing equipment distribution agreement.

Under the terms of the agreement, Bell Canada maintains its distribution rights for the Octel Aspen (a) line of voice processing systems. By extending the agreement, Bell Canada is reaffirming its selection of the Aspen line as part of the National Common Offering (NCO) for voice processing systems in Telecom Canada's national telecommunications strategy.

Bell Canada's belief in Octel systems is reflected in the fact that Bell has more than 20 Octel systems for its own internal voice processing needs and has sold more than 200 systems to its customers.

''This contract extension reinforces Bell's commitment to delivering premier telecommunications equipment and services to its customers,'' said Tony Lavia, Bell Canada's assistant vice president of marketing and development. ''The Aspen line's reliability and high performance allows use to give our customers an extremely powerful voice processing solution that can enable them to reduce costs, enhance productivity and increase revenues.''

''We are very pleased to be able to continue this mutually beneficial partnership,'' said J. Kim Fennell, general manager, for Octel Communications Canada Inc., the Canadian subsidiary of Milpitas-based Octel Communications Corp. ''The combination of Octel's product leadership and Bell Canada's strong account management will ensure that customers continue to receive the best solutions in the industry.''

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Octel Communications Corp. is market-share leader of the U.S. voice processing marketplace (in end-user revenue) for the past two years, according to reports by the market research firms Probe Research, Dataquest and Vanguard Communications.

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SOUTHAMPTON, NY (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - John F. Kidd, president and chief executive officer of Hamptons Bancshares Inc., has announced the temporary suspension of quarterly cash dividends payable to holders of the company's common stock.

The company declared dividends of 11 cents per share for each of the first two quarters of 1990.

In a letter to stockholders, Kidd stressed the strong capital ratio of the company, 8.2 percent at Aug. 31, and of its largest subsidiary The Bank of the Hamptons, N.A., 7.4 percent on the same date. He cited maintenance of that strong capital position as the major consideration and noted that the bank's capital ratio is 10.3 percent when measured by risk-based capital requirements.

The company attributes its recent negative earnings performance to underachievement in its loan portfolio. On July 16 Bancshares announced an increased provision to its reserve for possible loan losses and a six-month earnings loss of 70 cents per share, both due to existing weaknesses in its portfolio of real estate loans. President Kidd also advised shareholders that a series of internal measures including limited lay-offs, the elimination of bonuses, certain benefits and payments of directors' fees have been implemented within the last month to further insure capital maintenance.

A one bank holding company, Bancshares owns The Bank of the Hamptons, N.A., Hamptons Mortgage Corp., Leasehampton Corp. and The Appraisal Center Inc. The Bank has scheduled the opening of its ninth branch in Westhampton Beach in October of this year. Hamptons Bancshares Inc. is traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol ''HBSI''.

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RICHMOND, VA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - James River Corp. (NYSE: JR) Monday announced the resignation of Charles M. Foster, senior vice president, group executive, Dixie Products Business.

He joined James River in 1982 when the company acquired American Can Co. where he was vice president and general manager of the Folding Carton Business.

For some time, Foster had been considering pursuit of outside interests and announced his resignation effective Aug. 31.

Foster's departure, which is on the best of terms, is unrelated to James River's previously announced restructuring changes. He will remain available for advice and counsel during the coming months.

James River Corp., with headquarters in Richmond, is a major integrated manufacturer of pulp, paper, converted paper and plastics products with a sales rate of approximately $6 billion for its fiscal year which ended April 29, 1990.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust (NASDAQ:CMETS), National Income Realty Trust (NASDAQ:NIRTS), Income Opportunity Realty Trust (ASE:IOT), and Transcontinental Realty Investors Inc. (NYSE:TCI) Monday announced dividends will be determined on an annual basis, after the trusts' calendar year end, compared with the current quarterly dividend policy.

The trusts intend to maintain annual distribution schedules as long as the uncertainties currently inherent in the real estate market continue. The minimum amount of distributions will be determined by the amount required to maintain real estate investment trust status, which is 95 percent of taxable income.

However, pursuant to a previously-announced agreement, CMETS, NIRTS, IOT and TCI agreed to distribute at least 94 cents, $1.96, 33 cents and $1.06 per share, respectively, prior to May 23, 1991. These per-share amounts are based on the current number of shares outstanding.

''The board of each trust determined it was in the best interest of the trusts and consequently their shareholders, to adopt an annual distribution policy '' said a spokesperson for the trusts.

''The trusts' cash reserves are modest and cash flows are variable because of

the significant investments the trusts are making in improving their real estate portfolios and continuing uncertainty over the ability of many of the trusts' borrowers to meet their obligations. The instability of the real estate markets and the virtual non-existence of real estate financing dictate that we take a conservative approach.''

Continental Mortage and Equity Trust, National Income Realty Trust, Income Opportunity Realty Trust, and Transcontinental Realty Investors Inc. are combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trusts which operate nationwide.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - MODCOMP, the premier supplier of real-time computer systems to NASA and other major aerospace, government and commerical users, Monday announced it has won another contract from Jet Propulsion Laboratory to supply real-time computer systems for NASA's Deep Space Network (DSN), a facility used to track, control, and receive data from deep space probes.

This latest contract will total approximately $5 million during the next three years.

As part of this contract, MODCOMP is to supply 45 CLASSIC III/95 16-bit computer systems and support products during the next three years. These products will be used to track spacecraft travelling in deep space.

Under the contract, JPL purchased 25 systems, with an option to buy an additional 20 CLASSIC III/95 systems, which will replace MODCOMP systems installed several years ago. The DSN provides spacecraft tracking and communications, among other things, for NASA's scientific missions in deep space, such as Voyager 1, 2, Magellan, and Galileo.

''This latest award further strengthens our relations with JPL, known as the leader of America's unmanned exploration of the solar system,'' said David Joseph, director of government operations. ''It also further illustrates the high-performance, durability, and reliability of MODCOMP's real-time systems in time-critical applications such as this.

''The III/95 represents a cost effective and high performance solution for JPL since it provides twice as much central processing unit (CPU) performance as the previously installed systems without modification of the current application code,'' Joseph said. ''By enabling JPL to utilize the same code, the III/95 significantly reduced the cost of the necessary upgrade.

''For real-time applications, the CLASSIC III/95 is one of the most powerful 16-bit computers of its class,'' commented Joseph. ''The III/95 offers state-of-the-art real-time technology to users who need increased processing power but also want to preserve their considerable investment in existing software.''

For more than 15 years, MODCOMP computers have been gathering and analyzing data from space exploration missions managed by JPL. Last month, MODCOMP won an award from JPL to supply 57 of its real-time computer systems running on its REAL/IX Operating System for the DSN.

This latest contract reinforces MODCOMP's position as a major computer supplier in the U.S. planetary exploration program. The Jet Propulsion Laboratory is a multi-mission laboratory and a part of the California Institute of Technology and a National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Center.

The DSN is managed by JPL and communicates with and tracks automated spacecraft throughout the solar system. The DSN consists of a worldwide complex of large dish antennas, powerful transmitters, and sensitive receivers to track, command and obtain data from lunar and planetary spacecraft.

The DSN antennas are positioned on three continents: at Goldstone in Southern California's Mojave Desert; near Madrid, Spain; and near Canberra, Australia. MODCOMP's CLASSIC III/95 computers will be used at those three locations, as well as at JPL's Pasadena, Calif., headquarters.

MODCOMP shipped the initial order of 25 systems last month.

MODCOMP, founded in 1970, is a worldwide supplier of high-performance computer systems, products, and services for real-time applications. MODCOMP is a subsidiary of AEG, a member of the Daimier-Benz group.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Lazare Kaplan International Inc. (AMEX:LKI) Monday announced that gross sales during its first fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31 totaled $29,400,000, an increase of 53 percent or $10,200,000 over the $19,200,000 reported in the comparable quarter a year ago.

Revenue from the sales of polished diamonds increased 26 percent to $16,500,000 from $13,100,000 last year.

Sales of rough diamonds more than doubled during the period.

Net income of $1,409,000 increased 65 percent for the first quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 compared to net income of $855,000 last year. Primary earnings per share for the first quarter of fiscal 1990 was 43 cents compared to 27 cents a year ago. On a fully diluted basis, assuming the conversion of the company's senior convertible debentures, earnings per share for 1990 was 28 cents compared to 19 cents during 1989.

Lazare Kaplan International Inc. (AMEX:LKI) sells its diamonds and jewelry products through a worldwide distribution network. The company is noted for its ideal cut diamonds which it markets internationally under the brand name, Lazare Diamonds. A statistical summary follows.

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NEWTON, MA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Staples Inc. (NASDAQ:SPLS) announced Monday that Louis Pepi will be joining the company as exeutive vice president, operations.

Staples Inc. pioneered the office superstore industry, and currently operates 53 stores in the Northeast United States and California.

Pepi is a recognized leader in the food wholesaling industry, having most recently served as president, Ohio Valley division of Super Valu Stores Inc. He had overall responsibility for providing products and services to overf 140 supermarkets, hypermarkets and military commissaries.

Pepi, 46, holds both B.S. and M.B.A degrees from Boston College. His business career began in store operations with Star Market Co. where he also held positions in the merchandising and marketing areas. In 1978 he joined Super Valu as a retail counsellor and soon advanced to director of retail operations.

In 1981 he became vice president of marketing for Super Valu's Fort Wayne Division and also served in that capacity in the start up of the Miami Division. He was named president of Super Valu's Jacksonville, Fla. division in 1984 and was responsible for the start up and growth of this subsidiary. He has been in his most recent assignment since 1986.

At Staples Pepi will have responsibility for all East Coast and Midwest store operations. He will also oversee the Human Resources functions at Staples.

Pepi will be actively involved in the strategic planning of Staples distribution capabilities, using his extensive experience in distribution and in servicing business customers.

The appointment of Louis Pepi demonstrates Staples' commitment to building an infrastructure ahead of current business needs and one capable of supporting the challenges of the nineties.

Henry Nasella, Staples president/COO, commented on Pepi's appointment, ''We are very excited about Louis joining Staples. He has a proven track record in the highly competitive wholesale grocery business and is well respected throughout the industry. His experience will provide a great basis for contributions in keeping with our goals of being a low cost operator and supporting the needs of our customers. I know that Louis' experience and great leadership skills will be invaluable to our fast growing company.''

Chief Executive Officer Thomas S. Stemberg enthusiastically added ''Louis is very experienced in servicing other business customers successfully and I know that he will be a great addition to our world class organization.''

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MIDDLETOWN, PA. (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - CareerCom Corp. (NYSE: CCM) Monday announced that Gary W. Rhodes and P. Richard Frieder had been re-elected as directors of the company, each for a three-year term to expire in 1993.

The action came by large majorities at the company's annual meeting of shareholders held in Middletown, Pa.

Rhodes, who also serves as executive vice president and chief operating officer of the company, rejoined CareerCom in February as president of the International Division. Rhodes has worked in the private career school industry for approximately the last 16 years.

Frieder is the president and owner of KSD Industries Inc., a manufacturing company located in Southampton, Pa. He has served as a director of the company since last month when he was elected to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of a former director.

Robert A. Smith, president and chief executive officer of the company, announced at the shareholder meeting that the company's average truck school enrollments had exceeded 2,100 in August and currently were in excess of 2,300.

Smith highlighted the fact that the company's average truck school enrollments in August 1990 exceeded the comparable figure from August 1989, and that he expected a similarly favorable year-to-year comparison for September.

Principally as a result of the continuing enrollment improvements in the company's truck schools, Smith reported that CareerCom anticipated revenues in the September quarter to increase more than 15 percent from the June quarter figure ($29 million).

Smith stated, ''Increased revenue in the current fiscal quarter will result in substantial improvement in the company's operating results from those of the June quarter.''

CareerCom Corp. is a leading owner and operator of career training institutes located throughout North America. The company currently maintains 72 accredited, post-secondary schools offering programs of study in a variety of career-oriented disciplines.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Molecular Biosystems Inc. (NYSE:MB) Monday announced it has submitted a Pre-Market Approval (PMA) application with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for Albunex, the company's unique ultrasound contrast agent.

The PMA, which was submitted to the FDA's Center for Devices and Radiologic Health, seeks approval for the use of Albunex in conjunction with two-dimensional echocardiography (2-D echo), a commonly performed diagnostic procedure for both left and right heart indications. It is estimated that over 5 million 2-D echo studies are performed in the United States every year.

The PMA submission reflects 2-1/2 years of human testing of Albunex in the United States, Europe and Japan. This clinical testing program was conducted to demonstrate the safety and efficacy of Albunex as a contrast agent for 2-D echo. Currently, there are no commercially available contrast products for ultrasound anywhere in the world.

Albunex is produced by sonication, a process that transforms human serum albumin, a naturally occurring substance in the blood, into microspheres of sterile air surrounded by albumin. The Albunex contrast agent solution contains millions of microspheres small enough to be injected into a vein, pass through the lung circulation and provide an effective means of imaging blood flow in the heart chambers.

Upon FDA approval, Albunex will be marketed and sold by the cardiology division of Mallinckrodt Medical Inc., based in St. Louis. Under an agreement with MBI, Mallinckrodt Medical has exclusive marketing and distribution rights for the new contrast agent in North and South America. Radiology applications are under clinical investigation by Mallinckrodt Medical.

Mallinckrodt Medical, an operating unit of IMCERA Group Inc. (NYSE:IMA), of Northbrook, Ill., is a major supplier of high-quality products for radiology, cardiology, nuclear medicine, anesthesiology and critical care. Its products are sold in more than 100 countries worldwide and are used by more than 7,000 health care facilities in the United States.

Molecular Biosystems Inc., located in San Diego, is a leading biomedical firm developing proprietary medical products that diagnose human disease, including Albunex, an injectable contrast agent for use in ultrasound imaging. In addition, it is a leading developer of direct, non-radioactively labeled genetic probe products.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Resurgens Communications Group Inc. (ASE:RCG) Monday announced that it has completed the acquisition of Resurgens West Inc., an operator services company located in Reno, Nev.

Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

Commenting on the announcement, John D. Phillips, president of Resurgens Communications Group Inc., said, ''We are pleased to have Resurgens West as a part of our company. Resurgens West has contracts with a number of hotels in Nevada and will give us an immediate increase in revenues and earnings.

''More importantly, however, it provides us with a presence in the western United States, where we already have contracts representing more than $12 million in annualized revenues. By adding this new location -- our fourth operator/switching center -- we will substantially reduce our operating costs associated with those revenues.''

Resurgens Communications Group Inc. is a telecommunications company which processes and transmits operator-assisted long distance telephone calls from multi-telephone facilities. Through its subsidiary, Southern Cellular Telecom Inc., the company markets and services cellular telephones, facsimile machines and other telecommunications products.

The company's common stock and debentures trade on the American Stock Exchange under the symbols RCG and RCG.A, respectively.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - American Recreation Centers Inc. (NASDAQ:AMRC) announced record first quarter operating revenues of $12,396,000 for the quarter ended Aug. 29, 1990, an increase of 32 percent over last year's revenues of $9,412,000.

Bowling Division revenues of $7,031,000 were up 12 percent over the first quarter last year and the Direct Marketing Division's revenues (announced last week) of $5,059,000 were up 72 percent over last year's first quarter.

Operating profits, before general and administrative expenses, for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, totaled $1,336,000, compared to an operating profit of $143,000 for the first quarter last year. As announced last week, the Direct Marketing Division produced a record first quarter operating profit of $602,000, up 141 percent over last year's first quarter.

The Bowling Division, which historically operates at a loss in the first quarter, reversed that trend this year and produced an operating profit of $575,000, a $768,000 improvement over last year's first quarter.

First quarter net income of $110,000, or 2 cents per share represents a dramatic turnaround from last year's net loss of $368,000, or 7 cents per share, and from the typical first quarter operational losses which have been the norm for the last several years.

American Recreation Centers Inc., is the largest publicly held corporation in the country devoted primarily to the operation of bowling centers. The company operates 27 bowling centers, 22 in California, and 5 in Texas with an aggregate 1,126 lanes. American Recreation Centers Inc.'s wholly owned subsidary, The Right Start Catalog Inc., is a nationwide direct marketer of high-quality products for infants and children.

The company is also active in the development and management of commercial real estate. Real estate activities include management and operation of

bowling division real estate assets as well as the conversion of non-profitable bowling centers, into more productive assets.

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DAYTON, OH (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - J.K. Darragh, president and chief executive officer of Standard Register, stated Monday that operating results for July and August have made it quite clear that the effect of a weakening general economy and the resulting competitive environment within the business forms industry is more severe than management anticipated.

He also stated that the paper industry increased paper costs about 5 percent effective Sept. 1. He went on to say that given the current environment, it appears that Standard Register's third quarter 1990 net income will be below the 25 cents per share recorded for the like period of 1989 and that net income for 1990 will also be below the $1.35 per share reported for the year 1989.

Darragh stated that management's assessment of current economic conditions indicates that the prevailing low demand for the industry's products and severe price competition will not be of a short term nature. Therefore, over the next six months Standard Register will put into effect a major cost reduction program that will entail a reduction in employment and the closing of several production facilities. The costs associated with the program will be reflected in fourth quarter 1990 results as a one-time charge to earnings. Details concerning the program will be announced in the near future.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Mutual Of New York has appointed Richard C. Scott as president of MONY Real Estate Investment Management, according to Floyd L. Smith, MONY vice chairman and chief investment officer.

As president of MONY Real Estate Investment Management, Scott will be responsible for Mutual Of New York's investments in urban mortgages and real estate equities.

''Richard's diverse real estate experience and his proven broad management capability, bring to MONY the talent and expertise needed for this demanding position,'' said Smith.

Scott was vice president and principal with Aldrich, Eastman & Waltch, a real estate advisory firm headquartered in Boston prior to joining MONY. Previously he was with First Winthrop Corp. in Boston, where he created and managed a 135 person asset management function which ran the nation's seventh largest real estate equity portfolio. Scott also has extensive experience in developing commercial and residential real estate.

Scott received a B.A. in History and Political Science from Stanford University, an M.A. in International Economics from Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy and an M.B.A. in Real Estate and Finance from the Harvard Business School. He and his wife, Deborah, and their two children recently relocated to Westport, Conn., from Manchester, Mass.

MONY Real Estate Investment Management has a portfolio of more than $6 billion. Eighty percent of the portfolio is invested in urban commercial mortgages, and the remainder in equity properties or joint ventures. The business operates with a network of regional offices in New York, Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

In business sicne 1843, Mutual of New York (MONY) sold the nation's first mutual life insurance policy. Today, MONY has nearly $22 billion in assets under management, and is an industry leader in providing outstanding and innovative insurance, pension and investment products and services to more than 1 million policyholders and customers.

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MANSFIELD, MA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Codex Corp. Monday announced a Value-Added Reseller (VAR) agreement with DSC Communications Corp. of Plano, Texas.

Under terms of the agreement, Codex's Systems Division will market DSC's DEXCS a modular wide area networking system that supports from two to 48 T3s or 84 to 1,344 T1s, or any combination of T3s and T1s, along with other selected products in the DSC line, which can be upgraded without affecting existing traffic.

The Codex Systems Division will offer the product through custom bids as part of a complete networking solution. The DEXCS will complement Codex's wide area and internetworking product offerings and allow Codex to develop customized networks for customers whose requirements include T3 networking. The DEXCS product, along with the rest of the DSC product line, will be marketed through systems integration contracts.

DSC Communications Corp. is a Plano, Texas-based corporation that designs, develops, manufactures, markets, and services digital switching, transmission, and private network system products for the worldwide telecommunications industry. The Codex Systems Division, formed in 1989, is chartered with providing networking solutions consisting of professional services and both Codex and non-Codex products.

Codex Corp., a subsidiary of Motorola, Inc., is a leading supplier of network products and integrated network solutions. Offerings include network management systems, T1/E1 switches, X.25 networks, multiplexers, DSU/CSUs, modems, LAN internetworking devices, and professional services.

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BARTLESVILLE, OK (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Phillips Petroleum Co. (NYSE:P) has sold 14,159,292 shares of authorized but unissued common stock at a price of $28.25 per share to its leveraged employee stock ownership plan (LTSSP).

The purchase price paid by the LTSSP was determined by the average closing market price per share from Sept. 10 through Sept. 13. As previously announced, Phillips board of directors approved the extension to its existing LTSSP at its meeting July 9.

The LTSSP borrowed, with a guarantee from Phillips, $400 million to purchase the shares. Phillips will use the proceeds from the sale of the stock to retire existing debt and maintain the company's current total debt level at about $4 billion.

Phillips' existing LTSSP provides for an annual allocation of stock to participating employees through 1998. New shares purchased will provide for an annual allocation of approximately 955,000 shares to participants for up to seven additional years beginning in 1999.

The remainder of the new shares will be primarily substituted for shares which would have been purchased on the open market for LTSSP dividend reinvestment purposes.

As a result of this sale, the number of outstanding shares increases from 245.3 million to 259.4 million shares. Employee benefit plan ownership increases from about 19 percent to 24 percent.

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LAGRANGE, GA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - A third quarter cash dividend of 14 cents per share has been declared by the board of directors of First Federal Savings Bank of LaGrange (NASDAQ:FLAG), bank President John S. Holle announced Monday.

The dividend is payable Oct. 1 to shareholders of record Sept. 21.

First Federal reported earnings of $317,916, or 39 cents per share, for the period ended June 30. The bank currently has 805,000 shares outstanding which are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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ATLANTIC CITY (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Resorts International Inc. and its subsidiaries announced Monday that the company's plan of reorganization has become effective.

Trading in the company's new securities to be issued under the plan will commence today on the American Stock Exchange on a when-issued basis. Newly issued Resorts common stock 1 cent par value will trade under the symbol RT. New Senior Secured Series A Notes will trade under the symbol RT.G. New Senior Secured Series B Notes will trade under the symbol RT.H. New ten-year debentures secured by Resorts' ownership interest in the land underlying the Showboat Hotel and Casino in Atlantic City will trade under the symbol RT.I.

As a result of the effectiveness of the plan, no further trading will occur in the company's previously issued 10 percent subordinated debentures due 1998 and 1999 respectively and its 11-3/8 percent subordinated debentures due 2013, as well as the 16-5/8 percent subordinated debentures due 2004 issued by Resorts International Financing Inc. and the 13-7/8 percent First Mortgage Notes and 13-1/2 percent senior secured reset notes issued by Griffin Resorts Inc.

All such securities will be cancelled in exchange for new Resorts securities as provided under the company's reorganization plan.

The new securities will be issued and the initial distributions of such

securities under the plan will commence on Oct. 1. On Aug. 28, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Camden, N.J., entered an order confirming the reorganization plan.

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NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert E. Howson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of McDermott International Inc. (NYSE:MDR), announced Monday the election of John P. Eckert to McDermott's board of directors.

Eckert was named president and chief operating officer of McDermott International Inc. last month. He had previously been senior vice president and group executive of the Defense and Nuclear Power Group.

Eckert joined the company in 1955 as an engineer in Barberton, Ohio. After transferring to B and W's Nuclear Fuel Facility as a process engineer in 1960, he was appointed section chief of the Process Engineering department in 1965. He became project manager when the Naval Nuclear Fuel Division was formed in 1968, and was named manager of Quality Control in 1971 and operations manager in 1973.

He served as general manager of the Naval Nuclear Fuel Division from 1980 until 1985, when he was named vice president and group executive, Defense and Nuclear Power Group. In 1988 he was promoted to senior vice president and group executive, Defense and Nuclear Power Group.

Eckert received his bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Lehigh University. He also holds an MBA degree from Lynchburg College and has completed further graduate work in management at the University of Virginia. He is a registered Professional Engineer in Virginia and a charter member of the Lynchburg Chapter of the American Society for Quality Control.

McDermott International Inc., is a leading worldwide energy services company. The company and its subsidiaries manufacture steam-generating equipment, defense products, and tubular products. They also provide engineering and construction services for industrial and utility facilities onshore, and to the oil and gas industry offshore.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - CEM Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:CEMX) Monday announced that its board of directors has authorized the additional expenditure of up to $1,000,000 for the repurchase of the company's common stock.

The purchases would be made in the open market or directly from shareholders from time to time at current market prices. CEM currently has 4,486,000 shares outstanding.

Michael J. Collins, president and chief executive officer, noted that this is the second repurchase authorization approved by the board during the current fiscal year. He indicated that all of the $1,000,000 under the first authorization, initiated in early August, had been used to repurchase approximately 120,000 shares.

Collins remarked: ''We are pleased with this further endorsement by the board of the favorable growth outlook for CEM. The company's strong, liquid financial position supports this action which we believe will yield an attractive return for our shareholders.''

CEM produces microwave-based instrumentation for testing and analysis. The company's products are used in many manufacturing and processing industries, including chemical and food processing, and the general analytical laboratory market. The company's shares are traded over-the-counter under the National Market System symbol CEMX.

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CARLSTADT, NJ (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Cliff-Engle Ltd. (BSE:CEL.B) Monday announced substantially higher first quarter results for the period ended July 31.

Sales reached $1,365,997 vs. $661,273 for the comparable period last year, a 107% increase. Net income rose to $15,535 or nil cents per share as compared to a loss of $226,153 or 7 cents per share for the same quarter in 1989. There were 4,338,700 weighted average number of common shares vs. 2,889,750 shares outstanding for the same period last year.

The company's management noted that the first quarter's strong performance is especially gratifying since the summer is typically a slow period in the sweater business. However, there has been excellent response from the marketplace to Cliff-Engle's line of officially licensed sweaters from the National Football League, Major League Baseball, National Basketball

Association, National Hockey League and more than 75 colleges and universities throughout the country.

The company said that interest in sports-releated casualwear particulary items emblozoned with the logo of a person's favorite team, has been growing steadily in popularity.

Cliff-Engle is in the forefront of this expanding business and plans to add additional apparel items and licenses to its existing portfolio.

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EL PASO, TX (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Texscan Corp., (NASDAQ: TXCN), announced Monday that it has been awarded two major contracts to supply fiber optic systems for major transportation projects in the United Kingdom.

The combined contracts are valued at approximately $2.3 million dollars.

The company said its Op-Tech division, headquartered in Bolton, England, has been selected to supply a fiber optic transmission system for the United Kingdom Department of Transport's Midlands Motorway area around Birmingham, England.

The division will also supply a fiber optic transmission plus passenger alarm system for the England Manchester Metro Link Project.

The Op-Tech division had previously supplied four major fiber optic systems to Great Britain's motorways. The motorway systems are a broadband transmission network with a fiber optic backbone to carry closed circuit television, data, and audio circuits back to main control rooms. The fiber optic network is used to supervise traffic flow and safety.

Op-Tech was formed in 1988 and generated approximately $4 million in revenues for the fiscal year ended April 30.

Headquartered in El Paso, Texscan Corp. (NASDAQ: TXCN) is a leading designer and manufacturer of a broad line of distribution and commercial insertion electronics products for the cable television industry, and a large scale fiber optic systems integrator.

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ANAHEIM, CA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Bridgford Foods Corp. (NASDAQ:BRID) Monday announced improved sales and operating results for the third quarter of its 1990 fiscal year.

Sales for both the third quarter and for the 39 weeks ended Aug. 3, 1990, increased 18 percent over the year-earlier periods. Pre-tax income increased 6 percent for the third quarter and 16 percent for the 39-week period. Net income increased by 8 percent for the third quarter and by 18 percent for the 39 weeks.

Bridgford Foods, a producer of frozen bread dough, microwaveable cheeseburgers and sandwiches, processed meats, dry sausages and other convenience food products, currently has 4,177,000 shares outstanding.

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TRENTON, N.J. (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Versus Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:VSTI) and Landis & Gyr Thursday announced that they have signed a five-year agreement under which Versus will be the exclusive supplier of telephone-based automatic meter reading (''AMR'') equipment to Landis & Gyr.

Under the terms of the contract, within 30 days, Versus will receive an initial order from Landis & Gyr for more than $100,000 in product, engineering and marketing support.

Landis & Gyr is a leading supplier of electricity metering and energy management systems in North America and the largest manufacturer of these products worldwide. Versus Technology is a world leader in the design and manufacture of telephone-based data transport networks for AMR services.

Donald M. Hooton, president of Versus Technology Inc., noted, ''This exclusive agreement with Landis & Gyr is extremely significant for Versus. We believe Landis & Gyr's extensive sales and distribution channels in the electric utility industry will enhance sales of Versus products.

''At the same time, Versus' experience in marketing to the telephone companies which offer AMR services to utilities make our combined efforts extremely effective. Versus' AMR products will now be marketed to electric, gas and water utilities by leading meter manufacturers through our exclusive agreements with Sensus Technologies Inc. for water meters, Equimeter Inc. for gas meters, and Landis & Gyr for electric meters.''

Hans Naumann, president of Landis & Gyr's metering unit, said ''Landis & Gyr's agreement with Versus is a logical extension of our commitment to provide electric utilities with metering equipment and state-of-the-art communications technology. Working with Versus, we intend to occupy a leadership position in automatic meter reading, as we do in other areas of electricity metering.''

Versus Technology Inc. designs, manufactures and markets data transport networks that allow telephone companies to offer such new services as automatic meter reading, energy management and alarm reporting.

These services can be carried over existing telephone lines without interrupting other uses of the line. Versus is the world leader in this innovative technology, with networks deployed on three continents (North America, Europe and Australia) in over 50 major cities worldwide. Versus equipment is used by more than 150,000 end users who are connected to networks providing automatic meter reading or alarm transport services.

Versus is teamed with industry leaders and some of the world's largest utility meter manufacturers, telephone equipment makers and alarm equipment suppliers, as well as major telephone companies on these three continents.

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TRENTON, NJ (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Versus Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ:VSTI) Friday announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1990.

	Three Months Ended July 31,		Nine Months Ended July 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	
Revenues	$1,282,000	$2,193,000	$3,395,000	$4,173,000
Net (Loss)	($ 758,000)	($ 825,000)	($2,145,000)	($2,617,000)
Net (Loss) Per Share	$(.34)	$(.37)	$(.96)	$(1.52)
Weighted Average Shares outstanding	2,247,000	2,236,663	2,245,989	1,724,938

Donald M. Hooton, President of Versus Technology, Inc., commented, ''Contracts pending in the third quarter for the sale of VerSuSR Alarm Reporting Systems to various telephone companies are now being finalized. As a result, we expect to see sales accelerate over the next six months as these agreements are signed.

The net losses incurred in the current year continue to be reduced, as compared to 1989, as Versus implements stringent cost-cutting practices and improves profit margins while striving at all times to meet the needs of its customers and business partners.

''Several recent developments demonstrate the continuing success of Versus' marketing and sales efforts. We've just signed a long-term exclusive agreement with Landis & Gyr, the largest manufacturer of electricity metering and energy management systems worldwide, to be that Company's supplier of telephone-based automatic meter reading equipment. Also in the third quarter, we received orders for AMR equipment from Hackensack Water Company, Pacific Gas & Electric, Onondaga County (New York) Water Authority, and the City of Waconia, Minnesota. In addition, we received an expansion order from Base Ten Systems, Ltd. of London, England for British Telecom's Versus network.''

Donald Hooton continued, ''With our new affiliation with Landis & Gyr and our continuing marketing relationships with other major meter manufacturers, we are confident that new and expanded sales of our equipment will be recorded.''

Versus Technology, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets data transport networks that allow telephone companies to offer such new services as automatic meter reading, energy management and alarm reporting. These services can be carried over existing telephone lines without interrupting other uses of the line. Versus is the world leader in this innovative technology, with networks deployed on three continents (North America, Europe and Australia) in over 40 major cities worldwide. VerSuSR equipment is used by more than 100,000 end users who are connected to networks providing automatic meter reading or alarm transport services.

Versus is teamed with industry leaders and some of the world's largest utility meter manufacturers, telephone equipment makers and alarm equipment suppliers, as well as major telephone companies on these three continents.

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WAYLAND, MA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Candela Laser Corp. (CLZR) Monday announced that it has received a grant from the U.S. Department of Defense, under the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program to develop and evaluate a new configuration for a solid state laser.

In the new configuration, the beam profile is controlled by the laser medium rather than by external mirrors, in contrast to usual laser configurations.

The Phase I grant, valued at $50,000, will allow for the development of a compact laser system that should be highly efficient and reliable with good heat transfer properties and high beam quality. The new system will benefit scientific instrumentation, as well as medical diagnostic and surgical equipment that use various types of solid state lasers.

Commenting on the grant, Dr. Brian Treacy, senior scientist, said, ''This program gives us the opportunity to test the potential of the new configuration for getting high power simultaneously with good beam quality, which is always a problem in laser applications.''

The total cost of this project is estimated at $50,000, of which the federal program is contributing 100 percent.

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WESTON, MASS. (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Eastern Enterprises (NYSE Symbol:EFU) announced Monday it has reached an agreement in principle to acquire certain assets and operations of A & P Water and Sewer Supplies Inc. of Fairfax, Virg.

The price was not disclosed.

A & P Water and Sewer Supplies Inc. distributes components for municipal water systems through branch operations in the mid-Atlantic and Southeastern United

States.

Robert W. Weinig, Eastern's president and chief executive officer, said, ''This acquisition, which will approximately double our sales in the distribution segment of the water products business, represents a major step towards Eastern's objective of building a significant presence in the $1.6 billion market for municipal water systems and wastewater treatment products.''

The acquisition is subject to execution of a definitive purchase and sale agreement, compliance with regulatory requirements and approval of Eastern's board of trustees.

Eastern Enterprises is the parent company of Midland Enterprises Inc., leading barge operator on the nation's inland waterways; Boston Gas Co., New England's largest distributor of natural gas, and a Water Products Group serving municipal, commercial and industrial markets with water system components and purifications systems. Eastern's 1989 net income was $56.6 million or $2.43 per share.

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LAYFAYETTE, COL. (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Aspen Ribbons Inc. (NASDAQ:ARIB) announces that the company is expecting revenues of 4.5 to 4.6 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared with 4.9 million during the same quarter last year.

It also is expecting profits to be 2 cents to 3 cents per share compared with 9 cents per share for the same quarter last year. Fierce competition in the computer printer ribbon business is the primary reason for the lower revenues.

The company does expect to exceed its 1990 sales of 19.1 million in 1991. However, due to the low results in the first quarter, it is now projecting sales of between 20.5 million to 21.1 million for the year ended June 30, 1990 with profits of $900,000 to $1 million.

Rebounding sales and profits are projected to result from increased sales of ribbon products due to new product introductions and the penetration of new markets and customers. New introduction of toner products for laser printers and plastic cartridge kits should also spur revenue growth.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The trustees of the Real Estate Investment Trust of California (NYSE:RCT) (''REIT-Cal''), have declared a distribution of income for the third quarter of 1990 in the amount of 35.5 cents per share, payable Oct. 25, 1990 to shareholders of record Oct. 1 1990.

REIT-Cal has paid 89 consecutive quarterly cash distributions since the trust was organized in 1968.

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LeRoy E. Carlson, 213/476-7793

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RESTON, VA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Monday announced that it has been granted a landmark export license by the U.S. Department of Commerce to ship packet switching equipment to the USSR.

The equipment will be used by Sprint Networks USSR to provide access from the Soviet Union to global data communications services. The export license is the first ever granted for packet equipment under the new, relaxed regulations that govern the export of high technology products to Eastern Bloc nations.

The equipment is manufactured by Sprint International in the United States and will be shipped to Sprint Networks USSR for installation in Moscow in October.

Sprint Networks USSR was established in July 1990 as a joint venture of Sprint International, US Sprint's global data communications subsidiary, and Central Telegraph of the Soviet Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications.

Sprint Networks USSR is expected to receive final approval by the Soviet Ministry of Finance this month, opening the way for the company to begin business operations later this year. The firm already has U.S. and Soviet customers lined up for service.

Sprint Networks USSR will provide a switching center connected to the worldwide SprintNet data network, providing Soviet computer users with access to databases and on-line services in the United States and throughout the world. The company also will provide SprintMail electronic messaging service in the USSR and internationally, including telex and fax service.

As Soviet requirements for data communications grow, the joint venture will supply US Sprint's Telenet data communications equipment to government agencies and businesses in the USSR.

''World trade is supported by computer processing and communications networks. Access to international data communications will stimulate the growth of trade and prosperity in the USSR,'' said William T. Esrey, chairman and chief executive officer of United Telecommunications Inc., US Sprint's parent company.

''Not only will the Soviets be able to tap Western business and economic information, but the West will be able to access Soviet brainpower in space, medicine, science and engineering. And who knows what incredible new technologies, products and services will result from that mutual interchange '' Esrey added.

Esrey was in Moscow last week with the Presidential Business Development Trade Mission to the Soviet Union. Led by Secretary of Commerce Robert A. Mosbacher and Secretary of State James A. Baker, Esrey and 14 other U.S. chief executives have been exploring U.S. - USSR business opportunities in telecommunications, energy, housing, transportation and food processing.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified telecommunications company based in Kansas City.

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Jim Crawford, 202/857-1030; after 6 p.m. 703/709-0825

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The trustees of Real Estate Investment Trust of California, at their meeting of Sept. 10, 1990, enacted a plan for the Trust to become self-managed effective Oct. 1, 1990.

This decision was in part precipitated by the announcement earlier this year by William Walters Jr., president and advisor to the Trust (who reached the age of 65 years in May 1990), of his planned retirement sometime during 1990.

At the meeting, the trustees agreed to the termination of the advisor's agreement effective Sept. 30, 1990 and the trust accepted the resignation of William A. Walters Jr., as president effective Sept. 30, 1990. Walters will continue to serve on the board of trustees.

The trustees further announced John F. Carpenter would succeed to the office of president of the trust. Carpenter, formerly a senior vice president of a national commercial real estate company, has many years of real estate experience in California.

No material change is anticipated in the current operating focus of the company. Several of the long-term staff of the advisor will become direct

employees of the trust as of Oct. 1, 1990, including, LeRoy E. Carlson, vice president and chief financial officer; and John Nunn, asset manager.

Real Estate Investment Trust of California, established in 1968, is an equity-oriented real estate investment trust which owns and operates a diversified portfolio of income-producing properties in California consisting of shopping centers, apartment complexes, industrial buildings and commercial projects.

The address of the trust effective Oct. 1, 1990 will be: Real Estate Investment Trust of California, 12011 San Vicente Blvd., Suite 707, Los Angeles, Calif. 90049. The telephone number will remain 213/476-7793.

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LeRoy E. Carlson, 213/476-7793

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BATON ROUGE, LA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - United Companies Financial Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:UNCF) Monday announced that it has signed a definitive agreement with Foster Mortgage Corp. to acquire substantially all of its assets.

Foster is a wholly owned subsidiary of Benjamin Franklin Federal Savings Association, Houston, a federally chartered savings and loan association currently under conservatorship of the Resolution Trust Corp.

Recently ranked as the 27th largest mortgage loan servicing company in the United States, Foster services a portfolio of approximately $8 billion for private and agency investors. The acquisition closing date is projected for Nov. 1, 1990, with the purchase price being based primarily on the portfolio balances as of Oct. 31, 1990.

A wholly owned subsidiary of United Companies Financial Corp. will acquire the assets. Among the assets to be acquired is the name Foster Mortgage Corp.

J. Terrell Brown, chief executive officer and president of United Companies Financial Corp., stated: ''We are proud to have an outstanding organization such as Foster join our family of companies. Foster is a logical addition to our existing lines of business as it represents a progression in our strategic plan to become a national leader in the financial services industry.

''This expansion, along with the opportunities for increased efficiencies which it will allow, should provide an attractive return for our shareholders.'' He added, ''We anticipate no disruption in the quality of service provided to Foster's customers since the operation and substantially

all of the employees will be maintained in its current Fort Worth headquarters.''

United Companies is a Louisiana based financial services holding company engaged primarily in the business of life insurance and mortgage lending.

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Dale E. Redman, 504/924-6007

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MILFORD, CT (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of BIC Corporation declared a quarterly dividend of $.28 per share.

The dividend is payable on October 30, 1990 to stockholders of record on October 5, 1990.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corporation Chairman and CEO Bill Gates issued a statement in affirmation of Monday's announcements by IBM:

We are excited about IBM's announcement day reaffirming our relationship and outlining the expansion of our cross-license agreement for present and future versions of DOS, Windows and OS/2.

Together, IBM and Microsoft will provide a family of PC operating systems that is compatible and scalable from entry level PCs to high-end, advanced PC platforms.

Microsoft and IBM have played a key role in the development of the PC industry and we will continue to cooperate to provide the best operating system solutions to our customers.

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Claire Lematta, 503/245-0905

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PUNXSUTAWNEY, PA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Groundhog Graphics announced Monday that it has initiated a lifetime warranty on both The Shadow and The Rainbow graphics adapters.

Both super VGA adapters are based around the Tseng Labs ET4000 chip set. The Shadow is memory upgradable to one megabyte and able to display 1024 by 768 in 256 colors; while The Rainbow is memory configurable from 256K to 512K supporting up to 1024 by 768 in 16 colors.

An impressive list of features enhances the value of each card; including built-in cache memory FIFOs, FASTBIOS utility for increased performance, video diagnostics, a long list of drivers and much more. In addition, Groundhog has recently signed bundle agreements for ColoRIX Junior paint software and Lightning Zoom! multiple viewpoint driver packages, which are included free with each board.

The products are competitively priced; The Shadow 1MB retails at $399 and The Rainbow 512K retails at $239. These products are sold through Groundhog's network of authorized dealers. Groundhog Graphics may be contacted at 800/283-2322.

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CUPERTINO, CA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Motorola Computer Group (MCG) (NYSE:MOT) and Philips Information Systems, the information technology division of the Dutch electronics company Philips N.V. (NYSE:PHG), have signed a OEM agreement under which Philips will add Motorola's reduced instruction set computing (RISC) systems to its product line.

The announcement, which marks the expansion of a long-standing strategic partnership between Motorola and Philips, was made last week by Rob Jefferson, European general manager for MCG's International Computer Division, at the European introduction of the MultiPersonal Computer, Motorola's newest RISC-based network computer.

Jefferson said that for the past four years, Philips has been selling the P9000 m-series systems. These are Philips' version of Motorola systems based on Motorola's MC68000 family of CISC (complex instruction set computing) microprocessors and running the UNIX operating system.

''We have found the quality of Motorola's systems is excellent, and the company's philosophy regarding industry standards and client/server computing practically mirrors our own,'' said Kevin Kennedy, Philips Information Systems managing director. ''Once we made the decision to extend our product range, the choice of supplier was an easy one.''

Kennedy noted that the Motorola systems will be sold under the Philips brand name worldwide to governments, large corporations, single unit enterprises and value-added resellers. Philips will add value to these platforms in the form of hardware, software and services, including systems integration capabilities. Philips also will provide service and support through an extensive worldwide network.

''We're delighted to team up with Philips once again as a supplier for its new RISC platforms,'' said Ed Staiano, president and general manager of the Motorola General Systems Sector, of which MCG is part.

''Philips systems have a pervasive presence in European businesses and governments, which are beginning to clamor for RISC- and UNIX-based systems, network servers and open systems based on the client/server architecture. We believe our RISC systems will help answer these needs today and in the future.''

The Motorola Computer Group (MCG) is part of the General Systems sector of Motorola Inc. It is comprised of four divisions:

The Computer Systems Division (CSD), based in Cupertino, Calif., markets midrange, multi-user computer systems and software solutions for commercial and government end users, and value-added resellers; the Field Service Division (FSD), based in Dallas, provides comprehensive service, support and systems integration capabilities for Motorola systems and component users nationwide; the International Computer Division (ICD), based in Schaumburg, Ill., markets, supports and services all Microcomputer Division and CSD products that are sold outside the United States; and the Microcomputer Division (MCD), based in Tempe, Ariz., is the world's largest designer and manufacturer of boards and systems based on the VMEbus architecture and markets fully configured systems to technical and OEM computing markets.

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Brian Webster or Karen Simeone, 818/509-1840

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NASHVILLE, TN (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Jerome S. Tannenbaum, president

and chief executive officer of REN Corporation-USA, (NASDAQ/NMS:RENL) Monday announced that the company has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to a public offering of 2,850,000 shares of REN's common stock.

Of this total, the company intends to sell 2 million shares and certain shareholders intend to sell the remaining 850,000 shares. The offering will be made through a syndicate of underwriters managed by Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc. and Equitable Securities Corp.

A prospectus relating to this offering may be obtained from Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc., 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N.Y., 10105.

REN Corporation-USA is engaged primarily in providing renal dialysis services to patients suffering from chronic kidney failure. Dialysis services are provided principally at the company's 23 freestanding outpatient REN Centers located in nine states.

The company also provides outpatient dialysis services to patients in their homes and inpatient dialysis services through contracts with 20 hospitals. In addition, the company performs blood, tissue and urine testing services for its REN Centers, as well as for independent physicians and industry, at its three clinical laboratories.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time that the registration statement becomes effective.

This announcement shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, not shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Monday announced a five-cent decrease in the base spot sales price of refined lead.

Its new price effective immediately is 45 cents per pound, F.O.B. delivered in carload lots.

Asarco believes that the fundamentals in the lead market continue to be positive. However, it is adjusting its price to make it more closely reflect

terminal market prices. Asarco anticipates more frequent changes in its lead price in order to assure that its price will continue to accurately reflect market conditions.

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Gerard F. Corbett, 212/510-1810

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Judicate (NASDAQ:JUDG) announced that it has extended the expiration date of the company's Series C Warrants (NASDAQ:JUDGW) to March 4, 1991.

The Series C Warrants were to expire at 5 p.m. EDT on Oct. 3.

Each Series C Warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of the company's common stock at a price of $.625 per share on or before 5 p.m. EST on March 4, 1991, subject to adjustments, in accordance with the anti-dilution provisions of the Series C Warrants.

However, in the event the bid price of the company's common stock exceeds $1.50 per share for five consecutive trading days, the company shall have the right, upon 30 days prior written notice, to modify the terms of the Series C Warrants.

Judicate, the National Private Court System, provides mediation and arbitration services nationwide with over 550 former federal, state and local judges.

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MANCHESTER, ENGLAND (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - United Airlines' proposed daily non-stop service linking Manchester Airport with Washington, D.C.'s Dulles International Airport would provide the greatest economic benefit to northern England, according to the U.S. airline's chairman and president, Stephen M. Wolf.

During a two-day visit to Manchester, Wolf says he is confident U.S. regulators will select United to serve the route once the licensing process is complete.

''We believe United offers the strongest case and would provide the best

service of any applicant,'' Wolf said.

''In four short years United has developed Dulles into a major hub which will have more than 130 daily flights to 35 destinations by next summer. United is seeking to join in the development effort already underway to establish Manchester as one of Europe's premier hub airports.''

The carrier said passengers and cargo shippers in Manchester will benefit from having a carrier with the global size and scope of United to provide a competitive service to and from the United States. A large number of major companies in northern England have strong links with business and industry in the Washington, D.C. area. In addition, more than 360 companies in this region are actively involved in trade with the United States.

United has applied to serve the route with Boeing 767-200 aircraft configured in three classes. The flights will operate non-stop to Dulles and continue to Los Angeles.

United has a fleet of 450 aircraft and serves 156 cities in its U.S. domestic and international route networks. Earlier this year, United launched service linking Frankfurt with both Chicago and Washington, D.C. and Paris with Chicago.

Wolf said, ''The success of our Pacific network where we have become the number one carrier and our newly and successfully launched European services have demonstrated yet again United's ability to compete and to build traffic between key business and leisure travel centers. We look forward to bringing United's brand of service to Manchester.''

During his visit to Manchester, Wolf is meeting with airport officials and hosting a dinner for civic and business leaders. His stay coincides with a visit by the Washington Airports Authority and the Washington Airports Task Force who traveled to Manchester on a fact-finding mission. United already has strong support for its Manchester application from Washington, D.C. parties.

The U.S. Department of Transportation will select two new U.S. carriers to provide service between Manchester and the United States with a decision expected by Dec. 14.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Super Club announced the appointment of Jaap J. van Weezendonk to the position of vice chairman of Super Club N.V.'s board of directors.

Van Weezendonk is the executive vice president and chief financial officer for the Philips group of companies headquartered in Belgium. Worldwide, Philips is a $28 billion electronics company.

Commenting on the announcement, Darrell Baldwin, president and chief executive officer of Super Club's North American operations, said, ''Mr. van Weezendonk has been a member of our parent company's board since early 1989. His forte is in the area of corporate financial structuring -- for which he has outstanding professional background and experience.

''His election to the vice chairman's position underlines a further strengthening of the ties and cooperation between Philips and Super Club. Philips, of course, is a Super club shareholder, and we have a long-standing history of mutually satisfying, joint-effort projects in the electronics area...with additional projects on the drawing board for the future.''

Prior to joining Philips in 1985, van Weezendonk served as the vice president of Finance and Taxes with Douwe Egberts, a division of the Sara Lee Corp. from 1979 to 1985. He was the Director of Taxes for KLM Royal Dutch Airlines from 1974 to 1979, following his position as a lawyer in the firm of Wisselink and Co. in Amsterdam.

Super Club N.V., headquartered in Belgium, is the world's third largest video retail and distribution company and the largest retailer of video products in Europe. Super Club North America is a subsidiary of Super Club N.V. and operates over 435 audio and video retail stores in 26 states.

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Landa Miller, 214/701-9929

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HUNT VALLEY, MD (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - McCormick & Co. Inc. (NASDAQ:MCCRK), Monday reported earnings from continuing operations increased for both the third quarter and nine months, ended August 31.

Third quarter earnings per share of 43 cents increased 10 percent over last year. Excluding the 15 cents per share gain from the sale of some land in the United Kingdom, food and packaging earnings for the nine months rose 22 percent to 89 cents per share from 73 cents last year. Total income for the period in 1989 of $2.61 per share included $1.88 from the sale of real estate operations.

Sales for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 were $322 million, a 2 percent increase over the same period last year. Sales of $924 million for the nine months were up 4 percent over last year. Comparisons were adversely affected by the 1989 divestitures of portion control and food color businesses as well as operations in Brazil. Accordingly, sales from ongoing operations in 1990 increased 4 percent and 6 percent respectively.

Also today, the board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 12 cents per share on its common stocks, payable Oct. 10, to shareholders of record Sept. 28.

McCormick & Co. Inc.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)
(In thousands except per share data)

	3 Months Ended		9 Months Ended	
	8/31/90	8/31/89	8/31/90	8/31/89
Net sales	$ 321,532	$ 314,878	$ 923,829	$ 884,531
Consolidated income before taxes	27,787	27,255	65,129	51,396
Income from consolidated operations	17,305	16,070	41,637(a)	30,296
Income from unconsolidated operations	597	636	2,231	1,909
Income from continuing operations	17,902	16,706	43,868(a)	32,205
Gain on sale of discontinued real estate operations		2,662		83,000
Net income	$ 17,902	$ 19,368	$ 43,868(a)	$ 115,205

(a) Includes gain on sale of land in the United Kingdom of $6.3 million (15 cents per share).

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KCS&A Public Relations, New York
Joseph Mansi, 212/682-6300

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NATICK, MA (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Prime Computer Inc. Monday announced it has been awarded a $19 million contract from the United States Navy to provide hardware maintenance for the Navy's CAD/CAM and Computer-Aided Engineering and Documentation (CAEDOS) systems.

Under the four-year contract, Prime will provide maintenance to the Naval Air Systems Command, Naval Sea Systems Command, Space and Naval Warfare Command and Naval Facilities Engineering Command. Prime will service its CAD systems as well as systems from Digital Equipment Corp., Hewlett Packard, Tektronix, Calcomp and Versatec.

The CAD systems and equipment are located at more than 50 sites in the continental United States and Hawaii.

''This is a major win for Prime and strengthens the long-standing relationship we have enjoyed with the U.S. Navy,'' said Carl J. Madsen, federal contract manager of Prime's federal support group.

Prime Computer Inc., headquartered in Natick, Mass., is an open systems supplier of integrated solutions to selected end-user markets worldwide. The company is the leading supplier in the PICK data management marketplace and the second largest worldwide supplier of integrated CAD/CAM/CAE systems. Prime has a major international presence and a global field service maintenance organization for its customer base.

CONTACT: Prime Computer Inc., Natick
Maura Milden, 508/655-8000 x4982

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MATTHEWS, NC (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - ALLTEL Corp. (NYSE:AT) last week became one of the first independent telephone companies in the nation to successfully test Common Channel Signaling, (CCS), a new technology that will introduce a new generation of customer telephone services.

The test was conducted between Matthews and Charlotte, N.C.

Common Channel Signaling reduces to a split second, the speed at which calls are connected. It also provides the avenue for delivering more advanced services, giving customers greater control over their personal telephone calls.

Advanced custom calling features or Custom Local Area Signaling Service (CLASS), may include automatic callback, call trace, selective call forwarding or distinctive ringing.

''These advanced features provided through Common Channel Signaling break new ground in personal communication in the 90's,'' says Steve Maginnis, president of ALLTEL Carolina Inc. in Matthews.

Beginning in 1991, ALLTEL will offer advanced custom calling features to more than 21,000 ALLTEL customers in four exchanges in the Matthews area.

Initially, selected exchanges in Matthews will be able to use these services for calls to and from all exchanges in Charlotte.

ALLTEL is the first independent telephone company to offer its customers these advanced services for calls they make or receive from outside their local exchange areas, according to Research First Inc., of Birmingham, Ala.

When ALLTEL introduces the new services, customers will have the ability to automatically call the last number that called them and automatically call back to a line that was busy. The advanced features will also give customers the ability to selectively trace incoming calls.

The advanced custom calling features offered through Common Channel Signaling will complement some of the existing custom calling features currently offered by ALLTEL, such as call waiting, call forwarding, speed calling and three-way conference call.

ALLTEL Corp. provides local telephone service to over 1.1 million customers in 25 states and has subsidiaries or investments in companies that provide cellular telephone and long-distance service. Communications products and other related businesses.

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Steve Maginnis, 704/845-7605.

-30- 2521
#90260b0865 09/17/1990 ~Business Wire

SHAWNEE, OK (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Barton Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:BART) states that the Integrated Technology Systems Division (ITSD) has announced its latest product for the energy industry, the On-Line BTU Analyzer, and is currently negotiating multi-million dollar contracts with several major natural gas companies for delivery of this product.

According to C. W. Earl Johnson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, the Barton On-Line BTU Analyzer offers immediate on-line acquisition of true BTU value and significantly reduces the analysis time for true BTU content of sales gas streams from weeks to less than two minutes.

Since gas is sold by total BTU content and quantity, no adjustment for manually acquired BTU analysis is necessary.

Barton's fast, accurate, highly repeatable, On-Line BTU Analyzer can also be integrated with local gas flow computers in the field or can communicate remotely to the customer's corporate headquarters.

Providing innovative products like the On-Line BTU Analyzer through Barton's ITSD continues to demonstrate Barton's strategy of Total Energy Resource

Management Solutions to the energy industry.

CONTACT: Barton Industries Inc., Shawnee
C. W. Earl Johnson or Victor L. Joyce, 405/273-7660

-30- 1438
#90260b0869 09/17/1990 ~Business Wire
RYE, N.Y. (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Melville Corp., (NYSE:MES) announced it has completed the acquisition of Peoples Drug Stores Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Montreal-based Imasco Ltd.

The purchase price was $325 million in cash.

Melville is one of the nation's largest specialty retailers, with sales of $7.5 billion in 1989. It has a presence in the prescription drug and health and beauty aid industry through its 820 CVS stores in 14 states, primarily in the Northeast. In 1989 sales for CVS totaled $1.95 billion.

Peoples currently operates 490 stores in the mid-atlantic region, including Virginia, Maryland, the District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, and West Virginia. Peoples had 1989 sales of $1.02 billion.

Melville operates nationwide specialty retail stores in four business segments: apparel; prescription drugs, health and beauty aids; footwear; and toys and household furnishings. The company had earnings of $398 million in 1989. In addition to CVS, its stores include Marshalls, Wilsons, Chess King, Meldisco, Thom McAn and Kay-Bee Toy. As of June 30, Melville operated 6,925 stores and employed over 100,000 people.

CONTACT: Melville Corp., Rye
Robert D. Huth, 914/925-4000

-30- 1423
#90260b0914 09/17/1990 ~Business Wire
DALLAS (SEPT 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Commercial Metals Company (NYSE:CMC) Monday declared a quarterly cash dividend of 13 cents per share on common stock to shareholders of record Oct. 12, 1990.

The dividend will be paid Oct. 26, 1990.

This is the 104th consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid by Commercial Metals.

CONTACT: Commercial Metals Co., Dallas Bob Davis, 214/689-4354.

-30- 582
#90260b0915 09/17/1990 ~Business Wire
CULVER CITY, Calif. (SEPT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of MGM/UA Communications Co. has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 18 cents per share on the company's Series A Redeemable Preferred Stock, payable Oct. 17, 1990, to preferred stockholders of record on Oct. 3, 1990.

CONTACT: MGM/UA Communications Co., Culver City Mary Hardy, 213/280-6552

-30- 535
#90260c0002 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:07 that trade in Hampton Bancshares Inc.(NASDAQ: HBSI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 6 1/4. The company is located in South Hampton, NY.

-30- 353
#90260c0003 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:29 that trade in Applebee's International Inc.(NASDAQ: APPB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 8 3/4. The company is located in Kansas City, MO.

-30- 363
#90260c0004 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:35 that trade in Kentucky Medical Insurance Co.(NASDAQ: KYMDA) has been resumed. The first sale was 9; down 3/4 point from the halt, and down 1 1/4 points from the previous close.

-30- 389
#90260c0005 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:41 that trade in RF&P Corp.(NASDAQ: RFPCK) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 32 1/2, 34; up 2 points from the halt, and up 2 1/2 points from the previous close.

-30- 354
#90260c0006 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 14:

Legend Foods Inc. (LGFD), Uts. 7/31/92 (4 shares c/s, 4 c/s purchase wts. (LGFDU), Wts. 7/31/92 (LGFDW)

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#90260c0008 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 14:

Legend Foods Inc. (LGFD), Uts. 7/31/92 (4 shares c/s, 4 c/s purchase wts.) (LGFDU), Wts. 7/31/92 (LGFDW)

-30- 332
#90260c0009 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 14:

Cardinal Technologies Inc. (CRTK); Insufficient number of active market makers

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 13:

Action Auto Stores Inc. (AASQE); Not current in required filings
Al Copeland Enterprises Inc. - 17.5% Exch. Pfd. Stk. (ACOPP); Capital & surplus below minimum

Century Energy Corp. (CECFE); Not current in required filings
Seeburg Corp. (SBRG); Capital & surplus below minimum
Terra Mines Ltd. (TMEXF); Capital & surplus below minimum

-30- 736
#90260c0010 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 17:

Bobbie Brooks Inc. (BBKSD) to (BBKS)
Pubco Corp. (PUBOD) to (PUBO)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 14:

Aril Group (ARILE) to (ARIL)
ComponentGuard Inc. (PLUG) to (PLUGC)
HOH Water Technology Corp. (HOHI) to (HOHIC)
Infinite Graphics Inc. (INFGE) to (INFG)
Retailing Corp. of America (RCOA) to (RCOAC)

-30- 590
#90260c0011 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:24 that trade in

Applebee's Int'l Inc.(NASDAQ: APPB) has been resumed. The first sale was 9 1/4; up 1/2 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 353

#90260c0012 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Immucell Corp.,(TICKER: ICCC) effective Sept. 7, 1990, replaced the company's independent accountant, Arthur Andersen & Co., with the firm of Ernst & Young.

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#90260c0013 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Corporate Management Group Inc.(TICKER: KORP) lost $56,362, or $0.03 per share on revenues of $1.07 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a net profit of $89,391, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.99 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90260c0014 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Capucino's Inc.(TICKER: CINO) earned $2,764, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $850,693 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $44,732 on revenues of $851,106 for the quarter ended July 23, 1989.

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#90260c0016 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:05 that trade in Sun Coast (NASDAQ: SCSL) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 1/2; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90260c0017 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows CDX Corp.(TICKER: CDXX) dismissed its previous accounting firm, John M. Hanson & Co., P.C., in Denver, Co.

The company plans to hire an accountant in Providence, Rhode Island, where the corporation relocated its offices during the last fiscal year.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors

contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90260c0018 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows new directors were selected for TVC Image Technology,(TICKER: TVCI) effective Aug. 1, 1990.

They are as follows:

George Balis, chairman of the board and president and chief executive officer; Robert Brandt, Jeffrey Heil and Joram Rosenfeld.

The company reports that incumbent directors have been removed from the board.

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#90260c0019 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Kerkhoff Industries Inc.(TICKER: KIX) filed to offer 2,000 units, at a purchase price of U.S. $1,000 per unit.

Each unit consists of a U.S. $1,000 face amount 12.5% subordinated note, due Dec. 1, 1993, 100 shares of common stock, and 200 redeemable common stock purchase warrants.

These warrants entitle the holder to purchase from the company one share per warrant at an exercise price of U.S. $4 per share during the period commencing on Sept. 10, 1990, and ending expiring at 5 p.m. Dec. 1, 1995.

Notes, shares and warrants will be immediately detachable and separately tradeable.

Kerkhoff Industries is a holding company and through its operating subsidiaries is engaged in three main areas of business: real estate development, mainly in British Columbia, Canada; the building product manufacturing business, and construction activities mainly relating to the company's real estate development.

The company on Feb. 28, 1990, acquired through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Cascade Windows Ltd., all the shares of Wescraft Manufacturing Co. Ltd., a leading window manufacturer in British Columbia.

The offering is managed by R.F. Lafferty & Co. Inc.

Kerkhoff's offices are located at 15225 104th Avenue, Surrey, British Columbia

V3R6Y8, and its telephone number is (604) 585-2001.

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#90260c0020 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Burnley Corp.(TICKER: BURE) filed to sell 100,000 units at a purchase price of $1 per unit.

The minimum purchase per buyer is 100 units.

Each unit consists of one share of the company's Class A common stock, 20 Class A warrants and 20 Class B warrants.

Each warrant is immediately detachable and transferrable.

Each Class A warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $1.50 per share for a period of 24 months.

Each Class B warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $2 per share for 48 months.

Both the exercise price of the warrants and the period for their exercise may be changed without warrant holder approval upon the occurrence of certain events, such as stock dividends, stock splits or combinations, re-classifications, certain warrants or rights offerings for the purchase of shares of common stock, certain distributions of property to stockholders, and certain mergers or reorganization.

Upon at least 30 days notice, the warrants may be redeemed by the company at $0.0001 per warrant, at any time during the exercise period.

Any warrant holder who does not exercise warrants prior to either expiration or redemption will forfeit his right to purchase the shares of common stock underlying his warrants.

The company reports that it has not been operational since it was organized on Aug. 15, 1990, has no specific plan of operation and has virtually no assets.

If this offer is successful, management will have a "blank check" with respect to investors' funds, since no determination has been made as to how such funds will be used.

Burnley's offices are located at 12 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100, Houston, TX 77046, and its telephone number is (713) 871-1113.

-30- 2000

#90260c0021 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Cheltenham Corp. filed to sell 100,000 units, each consisting of one share of common stock, 20 Class A warrants and 20 Class B warrants.

The units are to be offered at a purchase price of $1 per unit (minimum purchase per buyer is 100 units).

Each warrant is immediately detachable and transferrable.

Each Class A warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $1.50 per share for 24 months, and each Class B warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $2 per share, for 48 months.

The company reports it has not been operational since it was organized on Aug. 15, 1990, has no specific plan of operation and has virtually no assets.

Cheltenham's executive offices are located at 12 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100, Houston, TX 77046, and its telephone number is (713) 871-1113.

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#90260c0022 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Connecticut Water Service Inc.(TICKER: CTWS) has filed to sell 400,000 shares of common stock.

The last reported sale price of common stock, Sept. 11, 1990, was $17.25 per share.

The company has granted to the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to 60,000 additional shares to cover over-allotments, if any, on the same terms and conditions as the shares of common stock.

The offering is represented by Edward D. Jones & Co. and by The Ohio Co.

Connecticut Water Service is the parent company of the Connecticut Water Co., a regulated utility which provides water to approximately 58,000 customers in 31 towns in Connecticut.

CWC is the second-largest investor- owned water system in Connecticut, based on operating revenues and utility plant investment.

Connecticut Water Service's offices are located at 93 West Main Street, Clinton, CT 06413, and its telephone number is (203) 669-8636.

-30- 1164

#90260c0024 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows FCS Financial Corp. replaced its former accountant, Urbach, Kahn & Werlin, with Cherry,(TICKER: CHER) Bekaert & Holland, to perform the audit of FCS' financial statements for calendar year 1990.

Urbach, Kahn & Werlin had been engaged in January, 1990, to audit the company's financial statements for 1989 and to reaudit its financial statements for 1987 and 1988.

-30- 566
#90260c0025 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:34 that trade in Chiron Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol CHY.

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#90260c0026 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 1,091,000 SHARES (7.00%) OF MILLICOM INC (TICKER: MILL) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

To show an increase in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 529
#90260c0027 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 416,000 SHARES (7.10%) OF ADVANCED MARKETING SERVICES INC (TICKER: ADMS) OF SAN DIEGO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

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#90260c0028 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 930,300 SHARES (7.20%) OF INTL MULTIFOODS CORP (TICKER: IMC) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 532
#90260c0029 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 959,200 SHARES (9.30%) OF SILICON VALLEY GROUP INC (TICKER: SVGI) OF SAN JOSE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

To show an increase in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

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#90260c0030 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On an undisclosed date, D.A. Skier recently purchased 200,000 shares of Eye Technology (TICKER: EYTK) for an undisclosed purchase price.

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#90260c0032 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A. HUSSEIN OWNS 230,900 SHARES (5.50%) OF QUALITY SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: QSII).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 346
#90260c0033 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows The Toen Group Inc., effective Aug. 22, 1990, dismissed Yale & Seffinger, P.C., as its principal independent accountant.

On the same date, Toen hired Jerome W. Karsh & Co. as its accountant.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90260c0034 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows International Container Systems Inc.(TICKER: ICSI) determined Aug. 28, 1990,

to change its fiscal year end from March 31 to Dec. 31.

A report covering the transition period will be filed on Form 10-K.

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#90260c0035 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Media Development Industries Inc.(TICKER: MDIL) reported that effective Sept. 4, 1990, the company's principal accountants, Peterson, Siler & Stevenson, resigned.

Subsequently, M. Bernstein, C.P.A., P.C., was engaged as the firm's principal accountant.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90260c0036 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the audit committee of Delphi Information Systems Inc.,(TICKER: DLPH) on Sept. 7, 1990, voted to replace Coopers and Lybrand, who had served as Delphi's independent public accountants since 1984, with Arthur Andersen & Co, effective for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1991.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90260c0037 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Precision Optics Corp. Inc. (TICKER: PREO) filed to sell 1.20 million shares of common stock at $1.25 per share.

Precision Optics designs, develops, manufactures and sells specialized optical systems and components and optical thin film coatings.

The company's products and services may be divided into four main areas, including medical and industrial optical system design and development.

The company sells and services primarily as an original equipment manufacturer ("OEM") for use in commercial and government applications.

The offering is represented by Van Clemens & Co. Inc.

The company's offices are located at 22 East Broadway, Gardner, MA 01440, and its telephone number is (508) 630-1800.

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#90260c0038 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Sparta Corp. on Aug. 29, 1990, entered an agreement with La Canasta of Minnesota Inc. for acquisition by Sparta of La Canasta by merger and/or stock-for-stock exchange.

Consummation of the transaction is subject to prior approval of the shareholders of Sparta and La Canasta.

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#90260c0040 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Chester Co. Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: CCBA) on Sept. 5, 1990, on the recommendation of the audit committee of Chester Co.'s wholly-owned subsidiary, the Bank of Chester Co., resolved to dismiss its independent auditor, KPMG Peat Marwick.

The company hired Grant Thornton, an independent certified public accounting firm, to audit the books and records of Chester Co. for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1990.

The company reports the decision was made for economic reasons and because the company's board of directors believe Thornton's experience as auditors for financial institutions of a similar size to Chester Co. makes Thornton well-suited to be the company's auditors.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90260c0041 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Joseph C. Fisher, effective Aug. 31, 1990, submitted his resignation as director of the company.

Fisher stated he believed Fisher Transportation Services Inc.(TICKER: FTSI) and its officers failed to provide its board of directors with adequate information when considering transactions between the company and its directors or corporations controlled by such directors.

He also said the board failed to consider his motion to appoint a committee of independent directors to consider such transactions.

Fisher Transportation noted that it is company practice to provide all of its directors with ample information regarding any matter to be considered by the board, including interested director transactions.

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#90260c0042 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Riggs National Bank of Washington, D.C. (the "bank"), the principle subsidiary of Riggs National Corp.(TICKER: RIGS), entered an agreement Aug. 10, 1990, with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

(FDIC) to acquire certain assets and assume the deposits of the National Bank of Washington ("NBW").

Under terms of the agreement, the FDIC, as receiver for NBW, has transferred approximately $1.00 billion of assets and approximately $1.1 billion of deposits to the bank as of Aug. 10, 1990.

The bank also purchased NBW's trust business with approximately $700 million in assets under management.

The FDIC granted the bank various options to acquire certain other NBW assets, including options to purchase owned bank premises at their fair market value.

The bank will pay the FDIC $33.0 million in the transaction with existing working capital.

Assets purchased include primarily cash, securities and approximately $750.0 million in loans, but exclude adversely classified assets of approximately $500 million.

Additionally, the bank has the option to sell back to the FDIC essentially all NBW loans, excluding approximately $20 million of overdraft loans related to demand deposit accounts.

The bank has exercised, or given notice that it would exercise, on Sept. 9, 1990, its option with respect to approximately $655.00 million - $680.00 million of the loans.

It will determine soon whether to retain the remaining loans covered by the agreement, approximately $50-$75 million.

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#90260c0043 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Distributed Logic Corp.(TICKER: DLOG) dismissed Ernst & Young as its independent accountant effective Sept. 5, 1990.

Arthur Andersen & Co. were subsequently approved by Distributed Logic's board of directors as the company's independent public accountants.

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#90260c0044 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Executive House Inc.(TICKER: EXHS) earned $38,133, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $295,136 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $36,280 (including an extraordinary gain of $51,685), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $210,220 for the same period in 1989.

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#90260c0045 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Spectrum Laboratories (TICKER: SPTM) earned $32,286, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $777,864 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total profit of $24,899, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $713,735 for the same period in 1989.

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#90260c0046 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows First Federal Savings Bank of Montana (TICKER: FFSM) and United Savings Bank, F.A. (TICKER: UBMT) have announced Sept. 7, 1990 the termination of their previous plans to combine and reorganize into the holding company form of organization.

The companies were unable to reach agreement about the proposed reorganization.

First Federal is headquartered in Kalispell, Montana and conducts business from 10 banking offices and one loan origination office located primarily in northwestern Montana.

As of June 30, 1990, it had total assets of approximately $172.5 million.

United is headquartered in Great Falls, Montana and conducts business from five banking offices located in central and eastern Montana.

As of June 30, 1990, it had total assets of approximately $92.6 million.

-30- 1032
#90260c0048 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Ho Office International Inc.(TICKER: HQOI) is engaged in preliminary discussions about a possible business combination with its affiliate and former parent, HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc (HQOS).

HQ Office International reports it believes that such a business combination would result in operational efficiencies between the two companies.

Such an arrangement would allow HQ International to further exploit the Canadian market for office supplies and related products.

Bateman, Eichler, Hill, Richards Inc. will serve as HQ Office International's investment banking and financial advisor for the proposed transaction.

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#90260c0049 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.O. MCGRATH OF 123 EAST 54TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF MEDIZONE INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: MZEI) THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 7, 1990.

(MEDIZONE INTERNATIONAL INC TEL: 212 421-0303)

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#90260c0050 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H. NEIMAN OF 2176 CENTURY WOODS WAY, LOS ANGELES, CA 90067, HAS FILED TO SELL 205,423 SHARES OF PINNACLE ASSOCIATES INC.(TICKER: PNNA) THROUGH CENTRAL SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 10, 1990.

(PINNACLE ASSOCIATES INC. TEL: 213 653-5544)

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#90260c0051 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL KOOPER OF 205 EAST 69TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO

SELL 2,774 SHARES OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI) THROUGH ROSENKRANTZ LYON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. TEL: 914 347-2220)

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#90260c0052 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCOTT D GRADY OF 5167 DEERHURST CRESCENT CIRCLE, BOCA RATON, FL 33480, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,000 SHARES OF OPTICORP INC. (TICKER: LOOK) THROUGH VANGUARD CAPITAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(OPTICORP INC. TEL: 800 733-7495)

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#90260c0053 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L SMITHSON OF 12958 LIMBERLOST RD, CARMEL, IN 46032, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF HARRIS (PAUL) STORES INC. (TICKER: PHRS) THROUGH PAINEWEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(HARRIS (PAUL) STORES INC. TEL: 317 298-6748)

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#90260c0054 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H & Q LONDON VENTURES OF 1 BUSH STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104, HAS FILED TO SELL 78,112 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

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#90260c0056 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAURA THORN OF 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA, NEW YORK, NY 10112, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,653 SHARES OF TECOGEN INC. (TICKER: TGN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(TECOGEN INC. TEL: 617 622-1400)

-30- 391
#90260c0057 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - & GILCHRIST JENKENS OF 1445 ROSS AVENUE, STE #3200, DALLAS, TX 75202, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,584 SHARES OF SIXX HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: SIXX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(SIXX HOLDINGS INC. TEL: 214 855-8800)

-30- 431
#90260c0058 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KATHRYN JONES OF 14605 SE 29TH STREET, VANCOUVER, WA 98684, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEMORY SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: MEMX) THROUGH RICHFIELD SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(MEMORY SCIENCES CORP. TEL: 703 361-9745)

-30- 423
#90260c0059 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD KASSOLLER OF 111 JOHN ST, NEW YORK, NY 10038, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF NOVEN PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: NOVN) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(NOVEN PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 305 253-5099)

-30- 426
#90260c0060 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK M ANDERSON OF 900 MT CASEY CT, EL DORADO HILLS, CA 95630, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,611 SHARES OF ZFAX IMAGE CORP. (TICKER: ZFAX) THROUGH PAINE, WEBBER JACKSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(ZFAX IMAGE CORP. TEL: 214 991-9966)

-30- 418
#90260c0061 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT DUBINSKY OF 5605 MULBERRY DRIVE, TAMARAC, FL 33319, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,880 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 459
#90260c0062 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 13, 1990, UEAC and Condor entered into an agreement terminating their previous agreement dated as of April 9, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Agreement termination agreement.

-30- 392
#90260c0064 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

E. SHAPIRO OWNS 905,083 SHARES (33.30%) OF NUVISION INC (TICKER: NUVI) OF FLINT, MI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 4 through Sept. 11, 1990, E. Shapiro purchased 23,000 shares at a price of $3.62 to $3.63 per share.

-30- 415
#90260c0065 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 20

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 17, 1990, the purchaser publicly released the press release to extend the expiration date of the offer to Oct. 26, 1990.

-30- 342
#90260c0066 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 23

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Fitchburg Gas & Electric Light Co.(TICKER: FGE) issued a letter dated Sept. 14 1990, to its fellow shareholders urging them not to tender their shares into EUA's financially inadequate offer.

-30- 428
#90260c0067 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 43

ANNOUNCEMENT:

At a special meeting on Sept. 14, 1990, and recessed to a reconvened on Sept. 16, 1990, the board of Apple Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: APK) voted to redeem all of the rights issued pursuant to the shareholder rights plan effected upon the purchase by Stahl of all of the company's common shares. Additionally, the board agreed that, if Stahl completes his offer and purchases shares that give him a majority prior to the annual meeting scheduled for Oct. 1, 1990, the board will withdraw its nominees for election at the meeting and take steps to assure that Stahl's nominees are elected to the board. The board has extended the annual meeting from Oct. 1 to Oct. 10, 1990 due to the fact that Stahl's offer is set to expire on Oct. 1 so that Stahl will have the time to purchase all tendered shares prior to the meeting. At the meeting, the board changed its opinion of the offer such that they have no opinion as to whether shareholders should tender their shares upon advice of financial and legal counsel. The company has entered into trust agreements designed to protect members of the company from litigation, and related expenses, as well as

compensation, should a change of control take place. At a meeting of the Banking Board on Sept. 13, 1990, the Banking Board denied the Company's request to reconsider its previous approval of the acquisition of the company by Stahl.

-30- 1609
#90260c0068 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY D.A. KASS OWNS 1,194,400 SHARES (18.80%) OF H.H. ROBERTSON CO (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 4, 1990, DAK made a written demand for the right to inspect the company's shareholder list in connection with the intention of D.A. Kass to solicit proxies in opposition to management and against the proposed merger of the company and Ceco Industries Inc. On Aug. 17, 1990, Anthony Pedone, a member of the group, died and on Sept. 10, 1990, Hoffman and Bonnie Pedone were appointed executors of the estate, which is not a member of the group. On Aug. 1, 1990, Pedone had granted Kass a proxy to vote the 821,900 shares held directly and indirectly by Pedone.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

D.A. Kass purchased 40,200 shares from Sept. 4-11, 1990 for $8 to $9.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 1048
#90260c0069 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 4,744,710 SHARES (9.75%) OF KEMPER CORP (TICKER: KEM) OF LONG GROVE, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. sold 22,321 shares from July 19 to Aug. 23, 1990 for $31.55 to $42 per share and purchased 414,800 shares from July 17 to Sept. 5, 1990 for $29.51 to $42.25 per share.

-30- 493
#90260c0070 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY R.H. MCKINNEY OWNS 819,141 SHARES (27.80%) OF FIRST INDIANA CORP (TICKER: FISB) OF INDIANAPOLIS, IN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Somerset purchased 47,500 shares on the open market for $466,130 on unspecified dates.

PURPOSE:

To make a significant investment in the company.

-30- 494
#90260c0072 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY FIRST EXECUTIVE CORP OF GROUP LED BY LOS ANGELES, CA OWNS 800,000 SHARES (20.40%) OF PEREGRINE ENTERTAINMENT LTD (TICKER: HMOVQE) OF LOS ANGELES CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Jan. 31, 1989, Peregrine Entertainment LTD filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy and has made no dividend payments on its preferred stock since that date. As holder of 100 percent of Peregrine Entertainment LTD preferred stock, FEC's Executive Life Insurance Co. has the right to elect a majority of the board of Peregrine Entertainment LTD, but has not done so at this time.

-30- 773
#90260c0073 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, A.W. DITTMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC. (TICKER: BATT), SOLD 125,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90260c0074 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, A.W. DITTMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC.(TICKER: BATT), SOLD 76,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90260c0075 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, A.W. DITTMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC.(TICKER: BATT), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90260c0076 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, A.W. DITTMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC.(TICKER: BATT), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 315,880.

-30- 343
#90260c0077 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, P.G. EDMUNDS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC.(TICKER: BATT), SOLD 125,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c0078 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, P.G. EDMUNDS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC.(TICKER: BATT), SOLD 76,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90260c0080 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, L.E. SWAYKOSKI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC.(TICKER: BATT), SOLD 125,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90260c0081 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, L.E. SWAYKOSKI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC.(TICKER: BATT), SOLD 76,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90260c0082 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, L.E. SWAYKOSKI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC.(TICKER: BATT), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 271,980.

-30- 347
#90260c0083 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, A. BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H BULK CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BULK), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,000.

-30- 335
#90260c0084 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, M.S. HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H BULK CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BULK), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,000.

-30- 329
#90260c0085 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, J. SAITO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CPB INC. (TICKER: CPBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 306
#90260c0086 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, R.G. FUCHS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AUTO CHEK CENTERS INC. BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,833.

-30- 350
#90260c0088 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, J.S. SCHER, DIR. OF AUTO CHEK CENTERS INC. BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,833.

-30- 300
#90260c0089 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 24, 1990, G.R. CHAMBERS, BEN. OWNER OF ARRHYTHMIA RESEARCH TECHNOLOGY INC. SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90260c0090 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, R.C. YOST, DIV. OFFICER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 5,667 SHARES AT $9.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,042.

-30- 340
#90260c0091 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, J.M. WILKINS, CHAIRMAN OF SILCO INVESTORS CORP. BOUGHT 2,359 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,474.

-30- 306
#90260c0092 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, LIB & CO, BEN. OWNER OF WM BANCORP. BOUGHT 347 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 249
#90260c0093 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, LIB & CO, BEN. OWNER OF WM BANCORP. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $32.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,130.

-30- 289
#90260c0094 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 6, 1990, H.A. TRUEBLOOD JR, CHAIRMAN OF COLUMBUS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CMBE), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0096 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M AUL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EXTEN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: EXVTF), BOUGHT 266,000 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90260c0097 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, W.M. AUL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EXTEN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: EXVTF), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0098 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 12, 1989, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $4.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,380.

-30- 311
#90260c0099 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MARCH 6, 1990, R.T. HOLLAND, OFFICER OF ADAGE INC. (TICKER: ADGE)

BOUGHT 35,520 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90260c0100 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, R.T. HOLLAND, OFFICER OF ADAGE INC.(TICKER: ADGE) BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.99 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,520.

-30- 298
#90260c0101 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 30, 1990, R.T. HOLLAND, OFFICER OF ADAGE INC.(TICKER: ADGE) BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 302
#90260c0102 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, D.L. DELANE, OFFICER OF AM COMMUNICATIONS INC. BOUGHT 150,000 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 152,646.

-30- 311
#90260c0104 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, J.D. ROCCI, OFFICER OF AM COMMUNICATIONS INC. BOUGHT 150,000 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 152,846.

-30- 309
#90260c0105 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, D.R. DEVINE, VP OF NORTON CO.(TICKER: NRT) SOLD 10,800 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 284
#90260c0106 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, R. MOGSTAD, VP OF NORTON CO.(TICKER: NRT) SOLD 10,389

SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125.

-30- 282
#90260c0107 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, J.M. NELSON, PRES. OF NORTON CO.(TICKER: NRT) SOLD 19,155 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90260c0108 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, R.G. WHITE, VP OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCAST SYS LTD. (TICKER: IBTV), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,000.

-30- 325
#90260c0109 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, S.A. KOZEL, OFFICER OF CORONA CORP. (TICKER: ICR), SOLD 22,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,896.

-30- 309
#90260c0110 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, MULTIMANAGER INVT PROG LTD, BEN. OWNER OF MR COFFEE INC.(TICKER: JAVA), SOLD 216,484 SHARES AT $9.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 247,460.

-30- 342
#90260c0112 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, R.M. WALLACE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), SOLD 117,579 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90260c0113 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, R.M. WALLACE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), SOLD 345,766 SHARES AT $9.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0114 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, R.M. WALLACE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), SOLD 25,729 SHARES AT $9.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90260c0115 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, R.M. WALLACE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), SOLD 55,259 SHARES AT $9.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90260c0116 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, R.M. WALLACE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), SOLD 40,806 SHARES AT $9.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90260c0117 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, R.M. WALLACE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), SOLD 7,812 SHARES AT $9.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0118 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, R.M. WALLACE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MR COFFEE INC. (TICKER: JAVA), SOLD 4,124 SHARES AT $9.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 389,647.

-30- 336

#90260c0120 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, M.D. PICKETT, PRES. OF MERISEL INC. (TICKER: MSEL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 179,000.

-30- 300
#90260c0121 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, R.C. CULLEN JR, VP OF WANG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: WAN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,190.

-30- 313
#90260c0122 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 6, 1990, T.L. WHALEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTSHARES OF TEXAS INC. BOUGHT 3,580 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0123 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, T.L. WHALEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTSHARES OF TEXAS INC. BOUGHT 2,739 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90260c0124 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, T.L. WHALEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTSHARES OF TEXAS INC. BOUGHT 5,856 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90260c0125 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, T.L. WHALEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTSHARES OF TEXAS INC. BOUGHT 546 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 258,704.

-30- 336
#90260c0126 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, J.M. HUNTSMAN, DIR. OF THIOKOL CORP (TICKER: TKC)
BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90260c0128 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, J.M. HUNTSMAN, DIR. OF THIOKOL CORP (TICKER: TKC)
BOUGHT 13,100 SHARES AT $9.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90260c0129 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, J.M. HUNTSMAN, DIR. OF THIOKOL CORP (TICKER: TKC)
BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $9.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90260c0130 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, J.M. HUNTSMAN, DIR. OF THIOKOL CORP (TICKER: TKC)
BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $9.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90260c0131 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, J.M. HUNTSMAN, DIR. OF THIOKOL CORP (TICKER: TKC)
BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90260c0132 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, J.M. HUNTSMAN, DIR. OF THIOKOL CORP (TICKER: TKC)
BOUGHT 7,900 SHARES AT $9.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90260c0133 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, J.M. HUNTSMAN, DIR. OF THIOKOL CORP (TICKER: TKC) BOUGHT 30,600 SHARES AT $9.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90260c0134 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 30, 1990, J.M. HUNTSMAN, DIR. OF THIOKOL CORP (TICKER: TKC) BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $9.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90260c0136 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 6,145 SHARES AT $2.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0137 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0138 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,598,330.

-30- 338
#90260c0139 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 3,917 SHARES AT $1.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 130,489.

-30- 334
#90260c0140 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DANIEL L EILERS, OFFICER OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 1,598 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90260c0141 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT K LANDON, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 376,846.

-30- 361
#90260c0142 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HORNBY TRADING INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90260c0144 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, LEONARD H LAVIN, CHAIRMAN OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 644,770.

-30- 325
#90260c0145 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0146 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0147 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0148 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0149 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0150 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90260c0152 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,842,299.

-30- 343
#90260c0153 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MAX BOTEL, DIR. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 292
#90260c0154 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DEBORAH A DOVE, OFFICER OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90260c0155 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DEBORAH A DOVE, OFFICER OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90260c0156 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RICHARD A GREENAWALT, PRES. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90260c0157 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RICHARD A GREENAWALT, PRES. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 1,675 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,054.

-30- 317
#90260c0158 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ANDREW D STEINER, DIR. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,000.

-30- 305

#90260c0160 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT C BISHOP, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,602.

-30- 330
#90260c0161 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD W ULMER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,588.

-30- 328
#90260c0162 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT J BARTZOKAS, VP OF AMERADA HESS CORP. (TICKER: AHC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $51.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,298.

-30- 315
#90260c0163 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, ANTHONY R WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90260c0164 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, ANTHONY R WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90260c0165 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, ANTHONY R WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90260c0166 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WALKER E BLOUNT JR, DIR. OF ALICO INC. (TICKER: ALCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90260c0168 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, GORDON W BENTLEY, OFFICER OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER: ALOT), SOLD 1,253 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90260c0169 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, HERMANN VIETS, DIR. OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER: ALOT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 298
#90260c0170 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $11.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90260c0171 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90260c0172 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 890,000.

-30- 304
#90260c0173 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT D WEIST, SHAREHOLDER OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101,970.

-30- 315
#90260c0174 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM F BRANDT JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN WOODMARK CORP. (TICKER: AMWD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,933,889.

-30- 378
#90260c0176 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90260c0177 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90260c0178 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90260c0179 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90260c0180 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90260c0181 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90260c0182 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,645.

-30- 295
#90260c0184 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c0185 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90260c0186 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c0187 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 29, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 340
#90260c0188 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c0189 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c0190 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c0192 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c0193 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c0194 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c0195 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c0196 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c0197 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,400.

-30- 341
#90260c0198 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN A CRICHTON, DIR. OF ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. (TICKER: ARSD), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 194,546.

-30- 344

#90260c0200 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN A CHMURA, VP OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 292
#90260c0201 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PHILIP J FOX, OFFICER OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 299
#90260c0202 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90260c0203 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 308
#90260c0204 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RONALD F MURPHY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 325
#90260c0205 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CLIFFORD H TUTTLE JR, CHAIRMAN OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 314
#90260c0206 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, KENNETH F YONTZ, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 301
#90260c0208 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90260c0209 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90260c0210 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90260c0211 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 1,638 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,348,635.

-30- 358
#90260c0212 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY

F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,526,351.

-30- 390
#90260c0213 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 16, 1990, WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), SOLD 2,600 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 923,517.

-30- 378
#90260c0214 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90260c0216 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90260c0217 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90260c0218 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90260c0219 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90260c0220 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90260c0221 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90260c0222 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90260c0224 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90260c0225 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90260c0226 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90260c0227 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90260c0228 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 367
#90260c0229 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90260c0230 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0232 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90260c0233 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0234 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0235 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0236 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0237 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90260c0238 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90260c0240 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0241 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0242 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0243 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 338
#90260c0244 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90260c0245 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288

#90260c0246 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90260c0248 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90260c0249 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90260c0250 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90260c0251 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90260c0252 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290

#90260c0253 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90260c0254 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90260c0256 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90260c0257 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90260c0258 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 331
#90260c0259 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90260c0260 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90260c0261 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90260c0262 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90260c0264 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90260c0265 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90260c0266 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90260c0267 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90260c0268 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90260c0269 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90260c0270 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90260c0272 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90260c0273 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 364
#90260c0274 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HARRIET BENSON, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $43.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,005.

-30- 286
#90260c0275 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PIETER P BONSEN, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $44.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,981.

-30- 292
#90260c0276 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GARY V FULSCHER, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $46.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,155.

-30- 292
#90260c0277 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GARY S LYMAN, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $45.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,289.

-30- 285
#90260c0278 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JANE E SHAW, PRES. OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 37,978 SHARES AT $45.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 292
#90260c0280 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90260c0281 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90260c0282 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90260c0283 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90260c0284 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90260c0285 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 446,228.

-30- 315
#90260c0286 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DARNELL MARTIN, VP OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 1,155 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

30,638.

-30- 311
#90260c0288 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 1,143 SHARES AT $7.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90260c0289 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 1,143 SHARES AT $7.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 806,987.

-30- 324
#90260c0290 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HAROLD W KOSTEN, OFFICER OF BALDOR ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: BEZ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90260c0291 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HAROLD W KOSTEN, OFFICER OF BALDOR ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: BEZ), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,148.

-30- 324
#90260c0292 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GOULD INVESTORS LP, BEN. OWNER OF BFS BANKORP INC. (TICKER: BFSI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 273,973.

-30- 335
#90260c0293 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 282,750.

-30- 346
#90260c0294 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 282,750.

-30- 343
#90260c0296 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 7,279 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90260c0297 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM J ARMANINO, PRES. OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE), SOLD 233,000 SHARES AT $0.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,943,924.

-30- 354
#90260c0298 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90260c0299 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90260c0300 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,365,225.

-30- 327
#90260c0301 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,209,225.

-30- 328
#90260c0302 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90260c0304 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 29,800 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 588,475.

-30- 328
#90260c0305 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90260c0306 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0307 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90260c0308 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90260c0309 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 31,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0310 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,959,100.

-30- 335
#90260c0312 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOR W KONWIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 87,214 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,285.

-30- 371
#90260c0313 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DONALD C UKKESTAD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 87,214 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,285.

-30- 377
#90260c0314 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOMAS E WINTER, DIR. OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 100,103 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 861,171.

-30- 327
#90260c0315 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0316 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0317 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $2.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0318 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0320 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0321 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0322 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0323 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0324 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 155,000 SHARES AT $2.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 489,000.

-30- 337
#90260c0325 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 19, 1990, ROBERT A KEEGAN, VP OF BONNEVILLE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: BPCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90260c0326 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $11.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90260c0328 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90260c0329 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 84,100.

-30- 336
#90260c0330 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 187 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90260c0331 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 937 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90260c0332 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90260c0333 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90260c0334 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90260c0336 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90260c0337 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90260c0338 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90260c0339 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90260c0340 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90260c0341 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 487 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90260c0342 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 3,637 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90260c0344 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 225 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90260c0345 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 698 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,406,384.

-30- 352
#90260c0346 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, MICHAEL MINIKES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS

COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90260c0347 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, UZI ZUCKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90260c0348 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, UZI ZUCKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 97,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90260c0349 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90260c0350 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90260c0352 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90260c0353 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY

GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90260c0354 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90260c0355 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,925 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90260c0356 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 575 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90260c0357 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90260c0358 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90260c0360 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY

GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90260c0361 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90260c0362 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,752,947.

-30- 362
#90260c0363 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JEFFREY J SHEARER, VP OF BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: BV), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 219,664.

-30- 338
#90260c0364 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATHAN SHAPIRO, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90260c0365 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATHAN SHAPIRO, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,250.

-30- 351
#90260c0366 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT SHAPIRO, BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,400.

-30- 329
#90260c0368 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, SHERWOOD J TARLOW, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90260c0369 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SHERWOOD J TARLOW, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB), SOLD 16,656 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,822.

-30- 330
#90260c0370 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROGER LEE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAESARS WORLD INC. (TICKER: CAW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,000.

-30- 327
#90260c0371 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90260c0372 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90260c0373 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,194.

-30- 330
#90260c0374 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALAN PARSOW, DIR. OF CAMPBELL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CCH), SOLD 10,850 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,536.

-30- 321
#90260c0376 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $27.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90260c0377 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 393,137.

-30- 342
#90260c0378 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90260c0379 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90260c0380 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90260c0381 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90260c0382 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90260c0384 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,700 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90260c0385 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90260c0386 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,500.

-30- 317
#90260c0387 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHARLES T CONDY, SHAREHOLDER OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0388 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHARLES T CONDY, SHAREHOLDER OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,483,373.

-30- 334
#90260c0389 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 15, 1988, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 7,407 SHARES AT $3.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,738,764.

-30- 328
#90260c0390 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1989, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 4,332 SHARES AT $3.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,433,279.

-30- 328
#90260c0392 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272

#90260c0393 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90260c0394 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 28, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,040.

-30- 310
#90260c0395 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN E GRONINGER, DIR. OF CONSUMERS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,837.

-30- 331
#90260c0396 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN E GRONINGER, DIR. OF CONSUMERS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,495.

-30- 333
#90260c0397 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PETER T MAHER, DIR. OF COMFED BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 311
#90260c0398 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT C BURGESS, DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER:

CFSB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 305
#90260c0400 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WILLIAM W GASTON, DIR. OF GOLDEN POULTRY CO. (TICKER: CHIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,357.

-30- 316
#90260c0401 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90260c0402 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90260c0403 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,550.

-30- 334
#90260c0404 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90260c0405 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 331
#90260c0406 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ALLAN S HOLDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $12.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,940.

-30- 350
#90260c0408 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLIAM R KUNTZ JR, VP OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,835.

-30- 324
#90260c0409 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ARTHUR J NAGLE, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,000.

-30- 324
#90260c0410 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90260c0411 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90260c0412 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 167,102.

-30- 303
#90260c0413 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1989, HERBERT C PELL III, DIR. OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE), BOUGHT 54,904 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,904.

-30- 342
#90260c0414 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL L DOWLING, DIR. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 2,325 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0416 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WESLEY J BAHR, DIR. OF COLLECTIVE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: COFD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 312
#90260c0417 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CHARLES J MOHR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90260c0418 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES J MOHR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 70,121.

-30- 339
#90260c0419 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ARTHUR O STERN, OFFICER OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,558.

-30- 322
#90260c0420 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLIAM R FROGGE III, VP OF COLORADO NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: COLC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,209.

-30- 341
#90260c0421 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ARTHUR C BASS, PRES. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), SOLD 69,053 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,947.

-30- 323
#90260c0422 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES A STEINBACK, BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 12,600 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90260c0424 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EVA D PEREZ, OFFICER OF CARE PLUS INC. (TICKER: CPLS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90260c0425 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EVA D PEREZ, OFFICER OF CARE PLUS INC. (TICKER: CPLS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90260c0426 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90260c0427 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90260c0428 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90260c0429 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90260c0430 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90260c0432 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,544,962.

-30- 315
#90260c0433 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GREGORY E PETSCH, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 18,600 SHARES AT $55.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90260c0434 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GREGORY E PETSCH, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 6,200 SHARES AT $55.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90260c0435 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 850 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90260c0436 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $52.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90260c0437 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $52.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277

#90260c0438 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $52.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90260c0440 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BENJAMIN M ROSEN, DIR. OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,244.

-30- 321
#90260c0441 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LOUART CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF CERTRON CORP. (TICKER: CRTN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90260c0442 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LOUART CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF CERTRON CORP. (TICKER: CRTN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,125,200.

-30- 315
#90260c0443 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, SANDRA A KNELL, OFFICER OF COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: CRV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0444 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SANDRA A KNELL, OFFICER OF COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: CRV), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,490.

-30- 341
#90260c0445 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MICHAEL M TOMIC, DIR. OF CHAMPIONS SPORTS INC. (TICKER: CSBR), SOLD 750,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,979,999.

-30- 340
#90260c0446 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROBERT G SWEIFACH, DIR. OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,000.

-30- 318
#90260c0448 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, WILLIAM A FRIEDLANDER, DIR. OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,101.

-30- 328
#90260c0449 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HARVEY A BOOKSTEIN, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,000.

-30- 322
#90260c0450 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 67,700 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c0451 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90260c0452 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90260c0453 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90260c0454 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 105,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 396,900.

-30- 321
#90260c0456 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c0457 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274

#90260c0458 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90260c0459 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c0460 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c0461 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c0462 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,229.

-30- 318
#90260c0464 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0465 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90260c0466 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,390,900.

-30- 339
#90260c0467 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, BRENTON S HALSEY, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90260c0468 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, BRENTON S HALSEY, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,932.

-30- 328
#90260c0469 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, A GILFILLAN GRAEME, DIR. OF DYNASTY CLASSICS CORP. (TICKER: DNST), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 320
#90260c0470 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER:

DON), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90260c0472 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 314
#90260c0473 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL G KALMAN, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90260c0474 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, PAUL G KALMAN, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,610.

-30- 291
#90260c0475 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES A KNISTER, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90260c0476 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JAMES A KNISTER, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,290.

-30- 298
#90260c0477 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, TIMOTHY J FRETTHOLD, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,855.

-30- 343
#90260c0478 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROGER R HEMMINGHAUS, CHAIRMAN OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0480 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, A W O'DONNELL, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,606.

-30- 337
#90260c0481 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J E PRATER, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,056.

-30- 331
#90260c0482 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HARRY D WRIGHT, VP OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,116.

-30- 315
#90260c0483 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $5.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0484 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 14,600 SHARES AT $5.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90260c0485 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.39 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90260c0486 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $5.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,448,716.

-30- 337
#90260c0488 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90260c0489 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90260c0490 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,700.

-30- 296
#90260c0491 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GREGORY L SMITH, OFFICER OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90260c0492 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GREGORY L SMITH, OFFICER OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,812.

-30- 306
#90260c0493 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90260c0494 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90260c0496 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 4,800 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90260c0497 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 431,750.

-30- 317
#90260c0498 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90260c0499 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90260c0500 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90260c0501 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 257,415.

-30- 307
#90260c0502 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM E S CHRISTIANSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EQUIPMENT CO. OF AMERICA (TICKER: ECOA), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 402,708.

-30- 367
#90260c0504 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES

CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90260c0505 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 567,000 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90260c0506 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90260c0507 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 340 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000,000.

-30- 341
#90260c0508 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 412,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,079,166.

-30- 329
#90260c0509 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 2,782,494 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90260c0510 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 605,006 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90260c0512 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,434,500.

-30- 329
#90260c0513 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CAROLYN J TOBIAS, VP OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS), SOLD 6,250 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90260c0514 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HARVIE M MERRILL, DIR. OF FIBREBOARD CORP. (TICKER: FBD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 309
#90260c0515 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,750.

-30- 321
#90260c0516 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90260c0517 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,550.

-30- 317
#90260c0518 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT G JONES, DIR. OF SANIFILL INC. (TICKER: FIL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 300
#90260c0520 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 19, 1990, CLARK H MASTERS, VP OF FLOATING POINT SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FLP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,700.

-30- 324
#90260c0521 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GREGORY G BALDWIN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0522 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GREGORY G BALDWIN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,756.

-30- 343
#90260c0523 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, J BOYD BERT JR, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA

CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 845.

-30- 331
#90260c0524 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES A DAILEY, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,007.

-30- 343
#90260c0525 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 6,077 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 336.

-30- 298
#90260c0526 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,781.

-30- 304
#90260c0528 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, KATHERINE AUGUST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,500.

-30- 354
#90260c0529 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90260c0530 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90260c0531 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90260c0532 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 7,600 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,400.

-30- 336
#90260c0533 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FARLEY INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), SOLD 3,750,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,250,000.

-30- 330
#90260c0534 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THOMAS J DIETZ, VP OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90260c0536 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HOWARD H HAWORTH, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 18,900 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,469.

-30- 317
#90260c0537 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES R LEE, VP OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90260c0538 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, KENNETH G STANCLIFF, OFFICER OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,621.

-30- 324
#90260c0539 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ANITA L WALLGREN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CO. (TICKER: GACC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,005.

-30- 340
#90260c0540 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $53.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0541 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $52.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0542 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO.

(TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $51.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0544 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN J LOUIS JR, DIR. OF GANNETT CO. (TICKER: GCI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800,538.

-30- 299
#90260c0545 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, NEAL A DEGERSTROM, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: GDEX), BOUGHT 910,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,393,988.

-30- 340
#90260c0546 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, VICTOR POSNER, BEN. OWNER OF GUILFORD MILLS INC. (TICKER: GFD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 960,000.

-30- 327
#90260c0547 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FREDERICK D BERKELEY, CHAIRMAN OF GRAHAM CORP. (TICKER: GHM), SOLD 21,505 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 173,052.

-30- 318
#90260c0548 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90260c0549 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90260c0550 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90260c0552 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90260c0553 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90260c0554 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,625.

-30- 331
#90260c0555 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT M FRIEDLAND, DIR. OF GALACTIC RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: GLC), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $3.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,000.

-30- 335
#90260c0556 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, A I DRAZIN, VP OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 300
#90260c0557 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRED HELLER, CHAIRMAN OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c0558 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRED HELLER, CHAIRMAN OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175,840.

-30- 317
#90260c0560 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90260c0561 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90260c0562 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90260c0563 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 6,800 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,600.

-30- 317
#90260c0564 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RALPH T MCELVENNY JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GOLDEN OIL CO. (DEL) (TICKER: GOCO), BOUGHT 80,516 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 871,525.

-30- 378
#90260c0565 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90260c0566 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 30,076 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 905,113.

-30- 370
#90260c0568 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RESEARCH INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF GREATER WASHINGTON INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: GWA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 136,200.

-30- 363
#90260c0569 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JACKIE R SKINNER, SHAREHOLDER OF HALLIBURTON CO. (TICKER: HAL), SOLD 1,003 SHARES AT $55.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,188.

-30- 323
#90260c0570 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,000.

-30- 332
#90260c0571 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, DAVID S LAWI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,000.

-30- 331
#90260c0572 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HERBERT M PEARLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), BOUGHT 120,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 120,000.

-30- 328
#90260c0573 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90260c0574 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90260c0576 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,939.

-30- 299
#90260c0577 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c0578 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c0579 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c0580 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 317
#90260c0581 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES M BROSTOWITZ, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

7,886.

-30- 320
#90260c0582 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90260c0584 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 31, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 28,000 SHARES AT $1.89 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 710,000.

-30- 304
#90260c0585 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 23, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 303
#90260c0586 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 54,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90260c0587 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 09, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90260c0588 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 17, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG),

SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 522,750.

-30- 304
#90260c0589 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG),
SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $2.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 468,750.

-30- 304
#90260c0590 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG),
SOLD 14,750 SHARES AT $0.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 957,284.

-30- 304
#90260c0592 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 23, 1988, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG),
SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 704,750.

-30- 302
#90260c0593 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG),
SOLD 138,000 SHARES AT $2.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,500.

-30- 304
#90260c0594 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 04, 1990, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG),
SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 853,052.

-30- 302
#90260c0595 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG),

SOLD 359,083 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 493,969.

-30- 304
#90260c0596 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 09, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90260c0597 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 17, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90260c0598 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CHARLES E HARRIS, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0600 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WILLIAM R POLK, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90260c0601 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM R POLK, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,000.

-30- 327
#90260c0602 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PHILIP M SKIDMORE, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,500.

-30- 333
#90260c0603 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PATRICK W HOPPER, DIR. OF HEALTH INSURANCE OF VERMONT, INC (TICKER: HIVT), BOUGHT 3,053 SHARES AT $7.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 134,686.

-30- 345
#90260c0604 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 16, 1990, JAY O MARGOLIES, PRES. OF HOLLAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOLL), BOUGHT 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,292,137.

-30- 329
#90260c0605 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 16, 1990, MICHAEL MARGOLIES, CHAIRMAN OF HOLLAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOLL), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,800,987.

-30- 334
#90260c0606 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LARRY D HORNBECK, CHAIRMAN OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HOSS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 257,710.

-30- 344
#90260c0608 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RICHARD W SCHULZE, VP OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,539.

-30- 323
#90260c0609 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN R TEITGEN, VP OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,300.

-30- 320
#90260c0610 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF HYDE ATHLETIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HYDE), BOUGHT 3,192 SHARES AT $3.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 310,500.

-30- 349
#90260c0611 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RICHARD L BARKHURST, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP. (TICKER: I), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 350
#90260c0612 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90260c0613 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90260c0614 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90260c0616 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90260c0617 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90260c0618 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90260c0619 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DALE W PHILLIPS, VP OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL CORP. (TICKER: ICRR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,649.

-30- 320
#90260c0620 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0621 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0622 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0624 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0625 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0626 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0627 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90260c0628 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90260c0629 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0630 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0632 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0633 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0634 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0635 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0636 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0637 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,519,979.

-30- 345
#90260c0638 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0640 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90260c0641 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302

#90260c0642 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90260c0643 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ALAN H HUGGINS, VP OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,450 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304

#90260c0644 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ALAN H HUGGINS, VP OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 550 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,007.

-30- 336

#90260c0645 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, WILLIAM D ALLEN, VP OF INDUSTRIAL FUNDING CORP. (TICKER: IFDC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 318

#90260c0646 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN C APPEL, VP OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,135.

-30- 337

#90260c0648 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PAUL E REINKEN, DIR. OF IFR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IFRS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,967.

-30- 306
#90260c0649 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF INFORMATION INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: IINT), BOUGHT 3,192 SHARES AT $11.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 369,583.

-30- 356
#90260c0650 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL J JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF II-VI INC. (TICKER: IIVI), BOUGHT 1,215 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 468,697.

-30- 305
#90260c0651 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL J JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF II-VI INC. (TICKER: IIVI), BOUGHT 1,215 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 344,338.

-30- 307
#90260c0652 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM B FAZAKERLY, PRES. OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 56,571 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 320,571.

-30- 322
#90260c0653 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DANIEL R HAFEMAN, OFFICER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 13,714 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,429.

-30- 322
#90260c0654 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, INTERVEN II LP, BEN. OWNER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 54,002 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 963,506.

-30- 327
#90260c0656 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DON V INGRAM, BEN. OWNER OF IMCO RECYCLING INC. (TICKER: IMRI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800,571.

-30- 328
#90260c0657 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DON V INGRAM, BEN. OWNER OF IMCO RECYCLING INC. (TICKER: IMRI), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 363,306.

-30- 328
#90260c0658 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT T BUEHL, DIR. OF INDIANA BANCSHARES INC (TICKER: INBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,934.

-30- 337
#90260c0659 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, PETER BALJET, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY CORP. (TICKER: INT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 845.

-30- 313
#90260c0660 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90260c0661 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 14, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90260c0662 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 26, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 9,600 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90260c0664 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1989, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), BOUGHT 1,020 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,640.

-30- 316
#90260c0665 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 3,900 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90260c0666 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90260c0667 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER:

IOR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,040.

-30- 314
#90260c0668 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $32.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90260c0669 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90260c0670 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 161,517.

-30- 334
#90260c0672 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PHILLIP B ROONEY, DIR. OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90260c0673 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PHILLIP B ROONEY, DIR. OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $45.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 326
#90260c0674 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ALAN DWIGHT BROWNING, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 349
#90260c0675 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JEFFERIES GROUP INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), SOLD 1,364 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90260c0676 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90260c0677 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 975 SHARES AT $11.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90260c0678 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90260c0680 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF KANEB SERVICES INC. (TICKER: KAB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,000.

-30- 295

#90260c0681 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GEORGE A PETERKIN JR, PRES. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90260c0682 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GEORGE A PETERKIN JR, PRES. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 552,910.

-30- 308
#90260c0683 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN H VRZALIK SR, VP OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90260c0684 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN H VRZALIK SR, VP OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI), SOLD 10,500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,404.

-30- 321
#90260c0685 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 17,737 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90260c0686 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,008 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90260c0688 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90260c0689 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90260c0690 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,302.

-30- 328
#90260c0691 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90260c0692 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90260c0693 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90260c0694 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 05, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90260c0696 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,220.

-30- 331
#90260c0697 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MARC S HERMELIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF K-V PHARMACEUTICAL CO. (TICKER: KV), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,060.

-30- 346
#90260c0698 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES B STUZIN, CHAIRMAN OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90260c0699 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES B STUZIN, CHAIRMAN OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,676 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 644,070.

-30- 344
#90260c0700 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, RUTH E STUZIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,676 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 711,208.

-30- 382
#90260c0701 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM G COMBS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $41.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,300.

-30- 344
#90260c0702 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, GENERAL ELECTRIC CO, BEN. OWNER OF LODGISTIX INC. (TICKER: LDGX), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0704 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90260c0705 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,400.

-30- 304
#90260c0706 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HUGH M PETERS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 5,333 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,833.

-30- 322
#90260c0707 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOYCE A RIZZO, DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 5,333 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,333.

-30- 295
#90260c0708 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT M RUBIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 26,666 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90260c0709 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0710 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0712 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0713 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0714 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0715 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0716 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90260c0717 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0718 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0720 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0721 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0722 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,200 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0723 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90260c0724 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0725 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,861,496.

-30- 365
#90260c0726 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 463 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90260c0728 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 6,551 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90260c0729 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 3,924 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90260c0730 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 6,272 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90260c0731 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 144 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90260c0732 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $81.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90260c0733 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $77.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90260c0734 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $74.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,511,493.

-30- 352
#90260c0736 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90260c0737 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90260c0738 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90260c0739 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90260c0740 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90260c0741 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90260c0742 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32.

-30- 352
#90260c0744 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 13,600 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90260c0745 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90260c0746 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $5.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90260c0747 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE

LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90260c0748 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE
LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 22,500 SHARES AT $4.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90260c0749 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE
LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 8,400 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90260c0750 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE
LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $4.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90260c0752 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE
LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90260c0753 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE
LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE,
BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,786,300.

-30- 373
#90260c0754 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 26, 1989, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $25.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90260c0755 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1989, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 225 SHARES AT $25.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90260c0756 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 22, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90260c0757 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $37.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90260c0758 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $38.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90260c0760 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 27,300 SHARES AT $15.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90260c0761 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 90,000 SHARES AT $15.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90260c0762 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90260c0763 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,890,500.

-30- 375
#90260c0764 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ALAN D NOLET, OFFICER OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90260c0765 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ALAN D NOLET, OFFICER OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,179.

-30- 315
#90260c0766 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAN JOHANNESSEN, VP OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 332

#90260c0768 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297

#90260c0769 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297

#90260c0770 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 45,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90260c0771 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90260c0772 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 297

#90260c0773 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 51,000 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90260c0774 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90260c0776 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES E MURCOTT, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 413,470.

-30- 333
#90260c0777 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 12, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90260c0778 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 16, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90260c0779 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 24, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90260c0780 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90260c0781 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,285.

-30- 293
#90260c0782 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GARY R SMITH, VP OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 1,337 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90260c0784 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOSEPH L GUARRIELLO, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,388.

-30- 344
#90260c0785 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90260c0786 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 355,840.

-30- 333
#90260c0787 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0788 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN CAMPBELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 8,691 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 508,446.

-30- 323
#90260c0789 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THOMAS D EBLING, VP OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 1,538 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,770.

-30- 295
#90260c0790 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD S HICKOK, DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,564.

-30- 301
#90260c0792 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DAVID M STONER, VP OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 1,521 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 141,967.

-30- 295
#90260c0793 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DONALD P HORWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90260c0794 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RICHARD J LEACH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EMCON ASSOCIATES

(TICKER: MCON), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,971.

-30- 337
#90260c0795 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 378,555 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90260c0796 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ANTHONY C DAMORE, DIR. OF MEDICORE INC. (TICKER: MDK), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,990.

-30- 303
#90260c0797 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM MCCOLLAM JR, DIR. OF MCDERMOTT INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MDR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90260c0798 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EARL E BAKKEN, DIR. OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT), SOLD 13,500 SHARES AT $76.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90260c0800 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LIONEL I PINCUS, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 193,965 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,586,508.

-30- 320

#90260c0801 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN L VOGELSTEIN, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 193,965 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,586,508.

-30- 326
#90260c0802 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WARBURG PINCUS CAP CO LP, BEN. OWNER OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 161,637 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,322,090.

-30- 351
#90260c0803 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WARBURG PINCUS CAP PARTNR LP, BEN. OWNER OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 32,328 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,264,418.

-30- 358
#90260c0804 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, EMIL J KOE, DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,080.

-30- 313
#90260c0805 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, HAROLD G SPRIGGS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $3.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90260c0806 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, HAROLD G SPRIGGS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS

CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,533.

-30- 349
#90260c0808 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, CHESTER J SILVESTRI, DIV. OFFICER OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,249.

-30- 345
#90260c0809 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DONALD RATAJCZAK, OFFICER OF MORGAN KEEGAN INC. (TICKER: MOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,850.

-30- 319
#90260c0810 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT B SEIDEL, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,916.

-30- 321
#90260c0811 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TERRY L TROUPE, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,088.

-30- 321
#90260c0812 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ALBERT W MERCK, DIR. OF MERCK & CO. (TICKER: MRK), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $87.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 143,380.

-30- 297
#90260c0813 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RONALD C DEMEO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARIETTA CORP. (TICKER: MRTA), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 329
#90260c0814 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RONALD C DEMEO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARIETTA CORP. (TICKER: MRTA), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 329
#90260c0816 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GARY HILLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90260c0817 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GARY HILLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,349,960.

-30- 331
#90260c0818 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SCOTTY B PATRICK, DIR. OF MELAMINE CHEMICALS INC. (TICKER: MTWO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 326
#90260c0819 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES R GLYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90260c0820 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES R GLYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,117.

-30- 321
#90260c0821 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, KARL S HAY, DIR. OF MYERS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MYE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90260c0822 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, KARL S HAY, DIR. OF MYERS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MYE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90260c0824 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, COMMON INVESTMENT FUND, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBM), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,213.

-30- 355
#90260c0825 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90260c0826 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0827 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,537.

-30- 340
#90260c0828 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DON W SANDS, DIR. OF NATIONAL DATA CORP. (TICKER: NDTA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90260c0829 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DON W SANDS, DIR. OF NATIONAL DATA CORP. (TICKER: NDTA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 303
#90260c0830 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LESTER J LLOYD, SHAREHOLDER OF NELLCOR INC. (TICKER: NELL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,516.

-30- 314
#90260c0832 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GEORGE E COMSTOCK, VP OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 122,000.

-30- 322
#90260c0833 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90260c0834 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90260c0835 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90260c0836 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90260c0837 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.72 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,440,727.

-30- 330
#90260c0838 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CONCEPT COMMUNICATIONS INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0840 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT M GARDINER, DIR. OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90260c0841 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT M GARDINER, DIR. OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 309
#90260c0842 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD A HELLER, OFFICER OF NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: NSCO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90260c0843 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RICHARD A HELLER, OFFICER OF NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: NSCO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90260c0844 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES H BUTLER, DIR. OF NOVA CORP. OF ALBERTA (TICKER: NVA), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,000.

-30- 318
#90260c0845 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT H B BALDWIN, DIR. OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 351
#90260c0846 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90260c0848 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 113,789.

-30- 338
#90260c0849 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $13.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0850 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0851 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0852 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90260c0853 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0854 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $14.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0856 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 55,000 SHARES AT $12.51 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0857 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 25,500 SHARES AT $12.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0858 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 29,500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,213,778.

-30- 363

#90260c0859 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT C ERNEST, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90260c0860 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT C ERNEST, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,600.

-30- 317
#90260c0861 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $6.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90260c0862 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 831,685.

-30- 326
#90260c0864 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA TESS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 818,285.

-30- 340
#90260c0865 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $35.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90260c0866 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 20,400 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90260c0867 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 6,503 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,243,776.

-30- 356
#90260c0868 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RICHARD HOULIHAN, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 331
#90260c0869 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90260c0870 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90260c0872 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ROSEMARY TOMICH, DIR. OF OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: OXY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 326
#90260c0873 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARTHUR J SIMPSON JR, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 1,538,462 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90260c0874 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARTHUR J SIMPSON JR, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 2,925,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,657,692.

-30- 339
#90260c0875 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SOUTHMARK CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 1,538,462 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90260c0876 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SOUTHMARK CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 2,925,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,657,692.

-30- 330
#90260c0877 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT K BURGESS, PRES. OF PHM CORP. (TICKER: PHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260

#90260c0878 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT K BURGESS, PRES. OF PHM CORP. (TICKER: PHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 296
#90260c0880 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FREDRIC M ROSEMORE, CHAIRMAN OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 559,183.

-30- 330
#90260c0881 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DARYL L SWANSTROM, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PENN ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING CORP. (TICKER: PNN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,747.

-30- 391
#90260c0882 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 13,875 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0883 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,500 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0884 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,550 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0885 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,550 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,141,730.

-30- 336
#90260c0886 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 33,000 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90260c0888 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,199,205.

-30- 336
#90260c0889 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90260c0890 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90260c0891 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP.

(TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90260c0892 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP.
(TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90260c0893 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP.
(TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90260c0894 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP.
(TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90260c0896 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP.
(TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90260c0897 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP.
(TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90260c0898 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP.

(TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90260c0899 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90260c0900 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,000.

-30- 328
#90260c0901 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90260c0902 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90260c0904 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90260c0905 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90260c0906 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90260c0907 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 24,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90260c0908 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90260c0909 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90260c0910 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90260c0912 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,206,050.

-30- 347
#90260c0913 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BCE INC, BEN. OWNER OF QUEBECOR INC. (TICKER: PQB), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $10.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,038,500.

-30- 305
#90260c0914 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90260c0915 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90260c0916 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90260c0917 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 293,000.

-30- 361

#90260c0918 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF PUBCO CORP. (TICKER: PUBO), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $7.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,938.

-30- 304
#90260c0920 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 349 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90260c0921 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,588 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90260c0922 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 8,443 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90260c0923 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,835 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90260c0924 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,589 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311

#90260c0925 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 482 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90260c0926 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 6,344 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90260c0928 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 2,538 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90260c0929 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 6,343 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,487,593.

-30- 354
#90260c0930 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $12.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90260c0931 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $12.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90260c0932 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90260c0933 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90260c0934 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90260c0936 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90260c0937 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90260c0938 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, E C GWALTNEY, CHAIRMAN OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 777,080.

-30- 312
#90260c0939 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THOMAS H POTTS, PRES. OF RAC MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CORP. (TICKER: RMR), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 176,692.

-30- 337
#90260c0940 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROCKWELL INTL CORP ESP, BEN. OWNER OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), BOUGHT 393,428 SHARES AT $24.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90260c0941 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RONALD A WARD, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,780.

-30- 333
#90260c0942 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, L KIRKE MOORE, DIR. OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 21,400 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90260c0944 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID K HUNT, VP OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,680.

-30- 305
#90260c0945 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, HAYS T WATKINS, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

3,951.

-30- 316
#90260c0946 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90260c0947 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c0948 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 8,300 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90260c0949 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90260c0950 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90260c0952 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO.

(TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90260c0953 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO.
(TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90260c0954 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO.
(TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90260c0955 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO.
(TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90260c0956 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO.
(TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 64,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 449,057.

-30- 339
#90260c0957 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ANDREW W MILLER, DIR. OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC.
(TICKER: SCAF), SOLD 16,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90260c0958 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90260c0960 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90260c0961 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90260c0962 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90260c0963 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TURNER BYRON, VP OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SEC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90260c0964 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, TURNER BYRON, VP OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SEC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,185.

-30- 320
#90260c0965 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0966 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0968 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0969 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90260c0970 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90260c0971 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90260c0972 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,383,280.

-30- 361
#90260c0973 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WALDO E YEAGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SEAWAY FOOD TOWN INC. (TICKER: SEWY), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c0974 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90260c0976 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90260c0977 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90260c0978 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90260c0979 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90260c0980 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90260c0981 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90260c0982 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90260c0984 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90260c0985 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90260c0986 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90260c0987 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90260c0988 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90260c0989 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90260c0990 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90260c0992 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, CHARLES W SCHWEIZER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING

INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,926.

-30- 351
#90260c0993 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, BAUPOST LTD PARTNERSHIP 83, BEN. OWNER OF SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC. (TICKER: SFE), BOUGHT 9,200 SHARES AT $10.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 529,400.

-30- 365
#90260c0994 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CHARLES W CORBITT, DIR. OF SFFED CORP. (TICKER: SFFD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,000.

-30- 301
#90260c0995 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF SILICON GRAPHICS INC. (TICKER: SGI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $25.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 329
#90260c0996 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, ROBERT N GOLDMAN, DIR. OF SAGE SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: SGSI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90260c0997 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90260c0998 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90260c1000 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DOCTOR R CRANTS, DIR. OF SAHARA RESORTS (TICKER: SHRE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,000.

-30- 308
#90260c1001 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE B CLAIRMONT, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90260c1002 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE B CLAIRMONT, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90260c1003 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CLAIRMONT GEORGE B TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90260c1004 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CLAIRMONT GEORGE B TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90260c1005 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90260c1006 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90260c1008 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90260c1009 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90260c1010 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 96,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90260c1011 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90260c1012 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90260c1013 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,800.

-30- 324
#90260c1014 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 319
#90260c1016 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,250 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90260c1017 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c1018 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278

#90260c1019 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 6,800 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90260c1020 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c1021 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c1022 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c1024 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c1025 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278

#90260c1026 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c1027 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 5,300 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90260c1028 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90260c1029 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90260c1030 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90260c1032 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282

#90260c1033 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 13,900 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90260c1034 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 42,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90260c1035 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90260c1036 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90260c1037 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 46,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90260c1038 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284

#90260c1040 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90260c1041 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 34,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90260c1042 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 42,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90260c1043 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 363,900.

-30- 325
#90260c1044 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,400.

-30- 341
#90260c1045 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c1046 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90260c1048 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90260c1049 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 96,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c1050 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90260c1051 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90260c1052 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 206,400.

-30- 346
#90260c1053 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90260c1054 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90260c1056 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90260c1057 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90260c1058 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 96,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90260c1059 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90260c1060 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90260c1061 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,800.

-30- 315
#90260c1062 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK D KNOX, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SIXX HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: SIXX), BOUGHT 23,000 SHARES AT $0.57 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,263.

-30- 358
#90260c1064 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDWARD BLACKWELL DAVID, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SCORE EXPL CORP (TICKER: SKOR), BOUGHT 787,369 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,696,669.

-30- 383
#90260c1065 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAY L FEDERMAN, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90260c1066 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAY L FEDERMAN, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 147,803.

-30- 345
#90260c1067 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOMAS E BLUME, OFFICER OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,709.

-30- 302
#90260c1068 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90260c1069 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90260c1070 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,750.

-30- 294
#90260c1072 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOSEPH J MCDOWELL, CHAIRMAN OF SOLITEC INC. (TICKER: SOLI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 314

#90260c1073 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOSEPH M RICHTER, OFFICER OF THE SOMERSET GROUP INC. (TICKER: SOMR), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $7.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,000.

-30- 335
#90260c1074 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FITZLEE H COKER, DIR. OF SONOCO PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: SONO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 561,304.

-30- 308
#90260c1075 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES G BOSWELL II, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 327
#90260c1076 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DAVID J TAYLOR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUN SPORTSWEAR INC. (TICKER: SSPW), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90260c1077 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID J TAYLOR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUN SPORTSWEAR INC. (TICKER: SSPW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 334
#90260c1078 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, CHRISTOPHER P VELTMANN, OFFICER OF STANDARD OIL & EXPL

OF DELAWARE INC. (TICKER: STDO), SOLD 46,550 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90260c1080 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 02, 1989, INVSTMNT SVNGS PLN STANHOME, BEN. OWNER OF STANHOME INC. (TICKER: STH), BOUGHT 142 SHARES AT $19.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90260c1081 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 01, 1989, INVSTMNT SVNGS PLN STANHOME, BEN. OWNER OF STANHOME INC. (TICKER: STH), BOUGHT 413 SHARES AT $26.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90260c1082 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 04, 1990, STEPHEN L WILSON, VP OF ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: STJM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 317
#90260c1083 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MICHAEL E ROSEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHOP TELEVISION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: STNP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.93 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,778,350.

-30- 346
#90260c1084 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90260c1085 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 45,800 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90260c1086 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 22,500 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90260c1088 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 30,600 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,183,400.

-30- 342
#90260c1089 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN VIDA, SHAREHOLDER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 45,150 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,071,652.

-30- 304
#90260c1090 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90260c1091 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90260c1092 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90260c1093 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90260c1094 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90260c1096 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN F MOYNAHAN, OFFICER OF SYM-TEK SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SYMK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 327
#90260c1097 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, C PHILIP CHAPMAN, OFFICER OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,500.

-30- 316
#90260c1098 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, S THOMAS EMERSON, CHAIRMAN OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90260c1099 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, S THOMAS EMERSON, CHAIRMAN OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 244,000.

-30- 319
#90260c1100 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GEOFFREY W GATES, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,500.

-30- 302
#90260c1101 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, HARWOOD SHEPARD, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90260c1102 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HARWOOD SHEPARD, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 3,850 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 103,650.

-30- 302
#90260c1104 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RUSSELL T STERN JR, DIR. OF SYNTRO CORP. (TICKER: SYNT), BOUGHT 68,650 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 298,650.

-30- 303
#90260c1105 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF TELEBIT CORP. (TICKER: TBIT), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90260c1106 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF TELEBIT CORP. (TICKER: TBIT), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 736,106.

-30- 313
#90260c1107 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DEAN A FOSSEY, DIR. OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,166.

-30- 311
#90260c1108 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROY M SVEE, DIR. OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 307
#90260c1109 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ROBERT E CRAINE, VP OF T/SF COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: TCM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,800.

-30- 320
#90260c1110 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROGER C LUCAS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TECHNE CORP. (TICKER: TECH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 248,608.

-30- 323
#90260c1112 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LARRY T MAREK, VP OF TELECOM CORP. (TICKER: TEL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 291
#90260c1113 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 31, 1989, GEORGE W CHAMILLARD, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,568.

-30- 304
#90260c1114 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RICHARD E DYCK, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,015.

-30- 294
#90260c1115 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90260c1116 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90260c1117 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90260c1118 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90260c1120 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RICHARD LESSER, OFFICER OF TJX COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: TJX), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,633.

-30- 316
#90260c1121 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90260c1122 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90260c1123 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90260c1124 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90260c1125 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90260c1126 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90260c1128 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90260c1129 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90260c1130 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90260c1131 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90260c1132 09/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90260c1133 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,761,510.

-30- 357
#90260c1134 09/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, BARRY F WHARITY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF TRANSMATION INC. (TICKER: TRNS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 337
#90260d0000 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (SEPT. 17) - A general strike paralyzed the Israeli-occupied territories and east Jerusalem Monday as the military moved to prevent protests after a Palestinian was shot dead by troops in the Gaza Strip.

The strike was called by the Unified Leadership of the Palestinian uprising in the territories and the Moslem fundamentalist group Hamas, to mark the eighth anniversary of the Sabra and Shatila refugee camp massacres in Beirut.

Shops were closed and public transport was at a standstill, while most of the 110,000 Palestinians who commute to work in Israel stayed at home, Israeli and Palestinian sources said.

The Israeli army maintained its curfew on the Gaza Strip town of Rafah and the nearby Chaboura refugee camp, where the 23-year-old Palestinian was shot dead Sunday in a gunbattle between troops and a group of masked assailants.

Allah Eddine Saed Shahin was the first Palestinian killed by Israeli gunfire in the Strip for several months. A second Palestinian was wounded but escaped.

A total of 707 Palestinians have now been shot dead by Israeli troops or settlers since the uprising erupted in December 1987, according to an unofficial toll compiled by Agence France-Presse from Palestinian sources.

But the uprising has eased in recent weeks, with world attention focused on the Gulf crisis.

Military officials said three Palestinians were sentenced to life imprisonment Sunday for the murder of several fellow Arabs accused of collaborating with Israeli authorities.

A military court in Nablus also sentenced a fourth Palestinian to life for the murder of a fellow Arab detainee in the West Bank town's prison.

-30- 1850

#90260d0090 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (SEPT. 17) - Strikes in banks, power stations, telecommunications and tranportation continued Monday to disrupt economic activity in Greece, despite pleas for dialogue from Prime Minister Constantin Mitsotakis.

The strikes, over proposed social security reform legislation, peaked Wednesday and Thursday with a general strike involving more than two million employees in the public and private sectors.

The government plans to put the reform legislation before Parliament Tuesday. Strike leaders, who met Sunday with Economy Minister Georgios Souflias, continued to demand the legislation be shelved.

Antonis Antypas, an executive with the Federation of Bank Employees, called on the government and unions to work out new legislation together.

Strike action involving up to 95 percent of bank employees entered its ninth day Monday. According to Kerdos, an economic daily, the bank strike is costing the economy about 40 billion drachmas (almost 90 million dollars) daily.

Cuts in electricity affecting the most densely populated sections of Athens continued over the weekend. Hundreds of people trapped in elevators were rescued by emergency services, while inoperative traffic signals clogged traffic Sunday.

However, work resumed at airports and air transport unions have not yet decided whether to join another mid-week general strike.

-30- 1534

#90260d0170 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 17) - International marketing, distribution and insurance company Inchcape turned in a 5.2 percent profits improvement for first half 1990 here Monday.

Pre-tax profit for the period was 92.3 million pounds (175 million dollars, against 87.7 million (167 million) in first half 1989.

The company, a large part of whose business is accounted for by the distribution of Japanese Toyota automobiles in Britain, Greece, the Far East, and South East Asia, turned over 1.617 billion pounds (3.072 billion dollars) in the period, up 11.6 percent on first half 1989 turnover.

Despite growing evidence of an an auto-sales downturn, particularly in Britain and Europe, the company said that Toyota motor distribution continues to be one of the great strengths in the group.

Operating profit from motor sales was up 10 percent at 60.3 million pounds (114.5 million dollars).

Earnings per share were 14 pence against 13.7 pence, and interim dividend 4.8 pence, 6.7 percent up on the 1989 payment.

Although the figures conformed to market expectations, shares in the company were down six pence at 224 pence after a cautious interim statement by chairman and chief executive George Turnbull.

Robert Carpenter of W.I. Carr brokers here said Inchcape's performance was "quite good given difficult current conditions."

The fact that it has managed to continue profits growth, particularly in the motor sector, showed that they are "making the best of a difficult job."

-30- 1684

#90260d0190 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 17) - King Hussein has met two radical Palestinian leaders, George Habash and Nayef Hawatmeh, for the first time since the PLO was driven out of Jordan 20 years ago, Palestinian sources said here Monday.

They said the king met separately overnight Sunday with Mr. Habash, head of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), and Mr. Nawatmeh, who leads the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP).

The two men, who are based in Syria but have backed Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in the Gulf crisis, have been here since Friday for an Arab conference supporting Baghdad against the U.S.-led military build-up in the Gulf.

The PFLP and DFLP sources said the talks with King Hussein, described as cordial, centred on the foreign intervention in the region and the need for an Arab solution to the crisis. Jordan-Palestinian relations were also discussed.

Jordan has not announced the meetings with the Palestinian figures, who lead

two of the three main factions in the Palestine Liberation Organisation.

They were on official visits to Jordan for the first time since September 1970 when Jordanian troops drove out the PLO in 10 days of battle after Palestinian guerrillas assumed control of several key areas of the country.

The Conference of Popular Arab Forces, organised by Jordanian political groups and trade unions and due to close later Monday, brought together some 120 delegates from 10 Arab countries.

-30- 1684

#90260d0200 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 17) - Iraqi soldiers have eaten two-thirds of the edible species at the Kuwait Cty zoo, a British animal protection group said here Monday.

Victor Watkins of the World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA) said that antelope and deer had topped the list, but that the Iraqi occupation troops in all had devoured "70 per cent of the edible animals" at the zoo.

Mr. Watkins said he had had reports in recent days that some of the rarest species had been taken to Baghdad.

Forty zookeepers had worked at the complex but most were Asians and all fled after the Iraqi invasion and annexation of Kuwait last month, he said.

He said the zoo housed 208 mammals, 493 birds and 34 reptiles, but now "they have no food, no water and they likely will be dying".

The WSPA said it was trying to contact Iraqi veterinarians through Jordanian and Saudi animal protection agencies but so far had had no response.

-30- 1111

#90260d0360 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STUTTGART (SEPT. 17) - The West German firm Robert Bosch disclosed here Monday that it had purchased the U.S. manufacturer of air bags for vehicles, Airflow Research and Manufacturing Corp.

Bosch did not disclose the purchase price of the Watertown, Massachusetts company. Airflow Research, with 200 employees, reported a 1989 turnover of about 40 million dollars.

-30- 525

#90260d0760 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (SEPT. 17) - Consumer prices in Finland rose by 0.5 percent in

August, taking the increase during the previous 12 months to 6.2 percent and so far this year to three percent, official figures showed on Monday.

Increased oil prices accounted for nearly half the August increase, and the statistical office, which published the figures, said that the rate of increase was likely to be similar in September.

-30- 581

#90260d0850 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 17) - The British Bovis company, which is a subsidiary of the P and O shipping company, said on Monday that it had paid 27.5 million pounds (52 million dollars) to buy the U.S. McDevitt and Street construction company.

Under the agreement, profits will be shared between the two parent firms for three years.

For Bovis and P and O the purchase is part of a strategy to gain market share in the United States.

McDevitt and Street does business in the south of the country and employs about 1,600 people, P and O said. It has orders worth about 913 million dollars.

-30- 774

#90260d0870 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (SEPT. 17) - Fires have devastated vast tracts of forest and scrubland in Tanzanian and Kenyan national parks, forestry officials said Monday.

Vast tracts of woodlands have been destroyed on Mount Meru, Africa's third highest mountain, near Tanzania's northern border with Kenya, officials said.

Last week bush fires swept across nearby Tsavo national park, in southern Kenya, destroying thousands of acres of vegetation and scaring away thousands of animals, press reports in Nairobi said. The blaze burned out a few metres (yards) from Jipe Safari Lodge on Friday.

Plumes of smoke were spotted around Mount Meru early Sunday, and strong winds soon spread the blaze across the thickly-wooded slopes.

A regional forestry officer in Arusha contacted by telephone said vast tracts of forest had been razed. Thick smoke was visible from Arusha, some 20 kilometres (12 miles) from the fire, whose cause was unknown, he said.

Arusha officials feared water shortages as the blaze could cut the town off from water sources on the mountain, 4,566 metres (14,980 feet) high.

-30- 1274
#90260d1010 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRAGUE (SEPT. 17) - President Vaclav Havel on Monday warned that growing tensions between Czechs and Slovaks were threatening Czechoslovakia's future and causing growing concern abroad.

"Reunified Europe will not open its door to Czechoslovakia if we cannot guarantee the integrity of the state," he told the parliament.

A rising tide of Slovak nationalism has led the Slovak government in Bratislava to appoint a minister of international relations, to the dismay of the authorities in Prague, which is the national capital and the Czech republic's capital.

There have also been increasing calls from Slovakia for a constitutional amendment spelling out the right to independence of the two federated republics.

In his address, Mr. Havel rejected such an amendment, arguing that no such article existed even in the United States constitution.

"It would reinforce the impression of fragility and the provisional nature of our common state," he said.

"Our inability to guarantee the integrity of our state is causing growing embarrassment in international political circles" and increasing "reticence" among investors, he said.

Mr. Havel criticized Czechs for "taking over whatever is Czechoslovak" and "viewing Slovaks with paternalistic eyes."

He noted that Slovaks had seen their national aspirations repeatedly dashed this century.

-30- 1556
#90260d1030 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (SEPT. 17) - Landslides triggered by torrential rains struck two villages in the remote Himalayan mountain state of Sikkim, burying 25 people alive, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported Monday.

The agency in a report from the Sikkimese capital of Gangtok said almost an entire mountainside had smashed into the two villages about five kilometers (three miles) from Gangtok, burying livestock, houses and their occupants.

Eight bodies, mostly those of women and children, had so far been dug out of

the rock and mud by police and villagers, PTI said without giving further details.

-30- 791

#90260d1050 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAMMU, India (SEPT. 17) - Nine people, including five suspected Moslem militants, were killed Monday in violence linked to the separatist campaign in India's northern state of Kashmir, officials said here.

Border Security Force personnel shot dead the five suspected militants while they were trying to cross into Kashmir from Pakistan in the Kupwara and Handwara sectors of the frontier, the official said.

Militants gunned down four civilians suspected of being police informers in different parts of the valley, the spokesman said without giving details.

Another 11 people were injured, seven of them paramilitary Central Reserve Police troopers, in scattered incidents throughout the Kashmir valley, including the summer capital of Srinagar, when militants hurled grenades and bombs at security pickets and the troopers retaliated.

Five government-owned buildings and three private houses were damaged in bomb explosions attributed to the militants, the official said.

-30- 1169

#90260d1080 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 17) - The Hawker Siddeley engineering group on Monday reported a 28.5 percent fall in taxable first half earnings, and the shares fell 28p to 445p in a falling market.

The company said that profits were 66.6 million pounds (126 million dollars) instead of 93.2 million pounds during the first half of 1989.

The interim dividend was held unchanged at 10p.

Analysts had expected profits to total about 68 million pounds.

The company warned that profits in the second half of the year were likely to fall, and that defensive measures had been taken.

-30- 761

#90260d1090 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LINZ, AUSTRIA (SEPT. 17) - The state prosecutor's office here Monday charged Austrian ex-chancellor Fred Sinowatz with abuse of power in connection with illegal arms deliveries to Iran.

The move came during the trial of managers of state-owned Noricum company, which illegally sold arms to Iran in the 1980s.

During the trial, the former social democratic chancellor and two of his ministers, Karl Blecha and Leopold Gratz, were accused of having been informed about the weapon deals.

The Austrian constitution bans exporting arms to countries in a state of war. Iran and Iraq fought the Gulf war from 1980 to 1988.

-30- 815

#90260d1150 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 17) - Henri Martre, chairman of Aerospatiale, one of the major partners in Airbus Industrie, Monday angrily rejected U.S. charges that the Airbus programme could not survive without European government subsidies.

Reacting to a recent U.S. study that the Airbus programme had received eight billion dollars in support over the past 20 years, Martre reversed the allegations.

U.S. plane manufacturers got 70 per cent of their turnover from public-sector orders, he said. The U.S. study had looked ''at the splinter in the eye of Airbus but overlooked the plank in the eye of American industry'', Martre said.

He said the European governments' support for Airbus were not subsidies, but were instead up-front grants which were to be repaid. In the new Airbus programmes, this type of financing was being used less and less, Martre said.

-30- 1056

#90260d1170 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 17) - Unemployment in the European Economic Community (EEC) stagnated in the five months before the Gulf crisis, which analysts expect to depress economic indicators, according to official figures released Monday.

Joblessness, in seasonally adjusted terms, affected 8.6 per cent of the workforce in July -- a figure that has been unchanged since March, according to the EEC's official statistics agency Eurostat.

Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait sent a tremor through the world oil markets forcing up the price of crude for energy-hungry countries.

Analysts say that if prices remain high, there will inevitably be inflationary pressure in western Europe, accompanied by low growth or even a recession.

Eurostat said unemployment decreased only in Spain (by 0.4 per cent of a percentage point) and in Portugal (0.1 per cent), but remained stable or slightly increased in most other member states.

In the case of Belgium and Britain, however, the increases "were relatively important," at 0.2 per cent, the agency said.

Unemployment in the EEC in the 1980s peaked at 10.8 per cent of the workforce in 1985. The best declines were in 1988 and in 1989.

-30- 1376

#90260d1310 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 17) - A predominantly leftist gathering representing 120 political groups and organisations in nine Arab states ended a three-day meeting here Monday with a call on Arab masses to prepare for ''a prolonged and bitter struggle'' against foreign intervention in the Gulf.

A closing statement of the conference said the American-led action in the Gulf was designed to ''impose a direct occupation of the region through military alliances aimed at tearing the Arabs apart and destroying their aspirations for unity and development''.

''Washington has exploited the current decline of the socialist camp (eastern Europe and the Ussr), to act as the world's policeman and to impose its will on the peoples by using force as it did in Panama and Grenada,'' the statement said.

It called on Arabs to raise their voices and ''condemn the American invasion of the Gulf and the Arabian Peninsula and break the blockade imposed on Iraq''.

The conference warned that the U.S.-led western military buildup in the Gulf threatens the breakout of ''a devastating colonialist war in the Middle East, the Gulf and the Arabian Peninsula''.

The gathering groups representatives of political parties or countries which opposed last month's Cairo summit resolutions calling for the deployment of foreign forces alongside Arab troops to confront Iraq. These include politicians from Jordan, Iraq, Tunisia, Algeria, Morocco, Libya, Lebanon, Yemen, Syria, Sudan and the Palestine Liberation Organisation.

Among the leading figures who attended the conference are George Habash, leader of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and Nayef Hawatmeh leader of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, former Syrian President Amin Hafez, Tunisian nationalist Mohammad Balhaj Omar and Jordanian president of professional associations Mamdouh Abbadi.

The conference expressed commitment to an Arab solution for the Kuwaiti

problem ''through political and democratic means'' and underlined the need for linking the Gulf crisis to a solution of the Palestinian problem, and the Israeli occupation of the West Bank, Gaza Strip, the Golan Heights, Jerusalem and south Lebanon.

The conference declared its solidarity and support for all Arab states that stood in favour of an Arab solution to the Gulf crisis.

Abbadi told reporters that the conference has decided to symbolically break the blockade against Iraq by sending a shipload of food and medicine from a Moroccan port to Iraq.

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#90260d1570 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 17) - Private groups in 11 Arab countries are to charter a boat carrying women and children that will try to penetrate a United Nations embargo and deliver a symbolic shipment of food to Iraq.

The decision was taken here at a Conference of Popular Arab Forces to support Iraq in the current Gulf crisis, according to organizer Mamdouh al-Abbadi.

He said the measure would be officially announced at the closing session of the three-day meeting later Monday.

The vessel will leave next month from a North African port and will call at several European cities on the Mediterranean before heading for Iraq, Mr. Abbadi said.

Warships from the United States and several Western countries are currently patrolling the Gulf region under orders to use force if necessary to stop ships carrying supplies for Iraq, including food.

The embargo was approved by the U.N. Security Council on August 6 to protest the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait four days earlier.

Mr. Abbadi said the Congress had decided to establish a secretariat here to coordinate the activities of "popular organization and Arab political parties" backing Iraq in its current stand-off with the West and the Soviet Union.

"This decision was taken because of the failure of Arab leaders to resist foreign armed intervention in the Gulf," he said.

He said the secretariat was also being created in response to the planned transfer of Arab League headquarters from Tunis to Cairo, approved by 12 of the League's 21 members at a ministerial meeting in Egypt's capital September 10.

The 12 nations backing the move had all strongly condemned the Iraqi invasion

of Kuwait.

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#90260d1620 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (SEPT. 17) - Air-India has so far flown back home 45,000 stranded Indians from Amman and Dubai in one of the world's biggest air exercise since the Berlin airlift, the airlines chief executive said Monday.

Chairman Subhash Gupte said the airline had operated 184 special flights from Amman to Bombay directly or through Dubai since August 13, when the first humanitarian shuttle was put into operation to evacuate Indians caught in upheavels of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

There were over 172,000 Indians in Kuwait before the occupation. The official said the airlift will continue ''as long as there are Indians wanting to return home.''

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#90260d1650 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SINGAPORE (SEPT. 17) - Singapore and the Soviet Union will launch a Joint Economic Commission in Moscow on Wednesday to step up trade, economic exchange programmes, mutual protection of investments and co-operation in science and technology, officials said Monday.

Minister of State for Trade and Industry Mah Bow Tan will chair the Singapore side of the commission while his Soviet counterpart, Deputy Minister of Foreign Economic Relations V.H.F. Mordvinov, will represent the Soviet Union.

A ministry of Trade and Industry statement said Mah, who will head an eleven-man delegation, will take the opportunity to better understand economic reforms in the Soviet Union.

Establishement of the Joint Economic Commission was agreed on during the visit to Singapore by Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov last February.

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#90260d1670 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEGUCIGALPA (SEPT. 17) - At least 25 children were killed when the bus in which they were riding veered off the road and plunged into a river northwest of the capital, authorities said.

Some reports said as many as 35 people were aboard the bus, but there was no confirmation of the number of passengers. Local residents said one family lost four children in the accident.

The accident occurred in the region of Cantarranas, some 30 kilomters (18 miles) northwest of Tegucigalpa, as the bus was carrying students, age four to 10 years, back to the community of Naranjal from a field trip through the surrounding countryside.

The school's U.S. headmistress -- who was not identified -- was driving the bus when it went over the edge of a rustic bridge and fell into the Choluteca River and was dragged downstream by the strong current.

By late Sunday, rescue workers had recovered the bodies of at least 25 children. The search for bodies was continuing Monday.

President Rafael Callejas issued a statement expressing sympathy over the tragedy.

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#90260d1770 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 17) - Malaysia will seek restoration of Penang as a base port for the Far East Freight Conference (FEFC), Transport Minister Ling Liong Sik said Monday.

Speaking in northern Penang state, Mr. Ling said the ministry would vigorously pursue the matter with FEFC, a Europe-based international shipping consortium which downgraded the port of Penang to a feeder port this year.

He said the ministry would seek to get FEFC to revert to its 1984 decision recognising Penang port as a base port.

The FEFC is a major consortium of shippers plying between Europe and the Far East. The FEFC decision earlier this year to downgrade the status of Penang resulted in additional charges incurred by exporters here using their freight service.

All west-bound goods in containers were charged additional handling charges of between 225 U.S. dollars and 400 U.S. dollars each and the containers were transhipped through Singapore, port officials said.

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#90260d1780 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIBREVILLE (SEPT. 17) - Regional authorities in southern Gabon called for army intervention when gangs of youths began looting stores in Tchibanga late on Sunday as confusion surrounded the first round of voting in the country's first multi-party poll in a quarter of a century

The demonstrators were apparently angered that election officials had suspended voting because of a lack of voting papers in the town's seven polling

booths.

They spread through the streets on a spree of stealing and arson and smashed doors and windows at the offices of President Omar Bongo's ruling party. The regional governor summoned opposition leaders and security officials, and it was agreed the army should intervene, witnesses reported Monday. There was no immediate word of casualties.

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#90260d1830 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 17) - Britain is to expel two Iraqi military attaches, four embassy employees and 23 other Iraqis in reprisal for recent incidents in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, the government said here Monday.

Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said in Brussels during a meeting with his European Community counterparts that the move was an act of solidarity with France and Italy, who have already ordered some Iraqi diplomats in their capitals to leave.

Hurd said the Iraqis may deport British diplomats in Baghdad in a reciprocal move.

The British Home Office said the 23 Iraqis not working at their embassy in London would be ordered out for security reasons.

The planned expulsions follow last week's raids by Iraqi troops on E.C. diplomatic missions in Kuwait, which was invaded by Iraq last month and later annexed.

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#90260d1840 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO, Sept 17 (AFP) - Moody's Investors Service Inc. said Monday it was reviewing its credit ratings for three major Japanese banks, citing their low profitability and heavy exposure to the real-estate sector.

The review affects seven billion dollars in long-term debt of Mitsubishi Bank Ltd., Tokai Bank Ltd. and Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan Ltd. (LTCB), plus three subsidiaries in Australia and the Netherlands Antilles, it said.

The announcement by the Tokyo branch of the U.S. rating agency followed a similar move last month to downgrade its ratings for Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank Ltd. and Fuji Bank Ltd. for almost identical reasons.

All five banks are among Japan's and the world's top 10 in terms of assets.

Moody's said the review of its "Aaa" rating for Mitsubishi, Japan's

fifth-biggest bank, was due to its "weak core profitability and competitive position" and its "vulnerability to domestic asset quality deterioration."

The review will focus on "factors contributing to Mitsubishi's eroding profit performance" and "long-term prospects for maintaining a high value-added domestic banking franchise in an increasingly competitive environment.

"Moody's will also examine the bank's domestic asset quality at a time when Japanese interest rates have climbed rapidly and when inflated asset values are being pressured," it added, apparently referring to Japanese land prices.

The review of Nagoya-based Tokai Bank, the country's eighth-biggest with an "Aa-2" rating, was prompted by similar reasons and is "focussing on prospects for the bank's operating performance and on its relative competitiveness."

Other factors being examined are "the long-term effectiveness of its two-tier (Nagoya and Tokyo) domestic strategy" and the bank's asset quality, "especially its domestic real-estate loan portfolio and its overseas credits."

The review of LTCB, Japan's 10th-largest bank which also has a rating of "Aa-2 " will focus on the "long-term ability of LTCB to maintain stable earnings as a Japanese wholesale bank in a shrinking market," the agency said.

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#90260d1890 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (SEPT. 17) - Singapore Airlines (SIA) is to start a weekly flight to Berlin on September 28, making it the first Asian airline to fly regularly to the city, SIA marketing director for Germany Peter Menkel said here Monday.

Singapore's national carrier has had a regular flight to Frankfurt since 1972. Mr. Menkel said it would use a Boeing 747-300 on the Berlin run, to the airport of Schoenefeld in the Western section of the city.

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#90260d1920 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 17) - The Liberal Democrats opened their annual party congress in Blackpool Monday, determined to maintain their place as Britain's third political force.

An opinion poll published in The Guardian newspaper Monday showed the centrist party could draw eight per cent support in the next general election, well behind the opposition Labor which is tipped to win 50 per cent and the ruling Conservatives of Prime Miniter Margaret Thatcher with 37 per cent.

But there is the possibility that the Liberal Democrats could end up as power brokers if the elections result in a hung parliament.

The 1,800 delegates at Monday's opening adopted a radical constitutional reform program, including proportional elections, the elections of a second chamber of 100 members to replace the House of Lords, more devolution in repesentation for Scotland and Wales, and regional assemblies in England.

A pre-congress meeting this weekend also debated a motion that would separate church and state in England, where the Church of England has official status.

The six-day congress will aim to develop a platform for the forthcoming elections.

The Thatcher government, which was returned to power in the last elections in June, 1987, is required to call general elections by June, 1992.

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#90260d2020 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 17) - The European Community Monday decided to expel Iraqi military attaches from all E.C. member countries in retaliation for last week's Iraqi raids on the diplomatic missions of the French, Belgian and Dutch embassies in Kuwait City.

Britain earlier Monday had joined France and Italy in ordering out some Iraqi diplomats in their capitals.

The E.C. decision was taken by foreign ministers of member countries meeting here Monday. In addition to the expulsion of military attaches, the movements of other Iraqi diplomats in E.C. countries will be subject to strict limitations.

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#90260d2410 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (SEPT. 17) - Police have arrested fugitive right winger Piet "Skiet" Rudolph, the supposed mastermind behind a series of weapons thefts and bombings, Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok announced here Monday.

Mr. Rudolph, the 53-year-old deputy leader of the extreme right wing Boerestaat party has been on the run since April 13.

He disappeared after a raid on the South African Air Force headquarters which netted a large amount of weapons. Far right wing sypmathisers in the Air Force were suspected of helping the raiders.

Mr. Rudolph claimed responsibility for an attack in May that severely damaged Melrose House, the building where the Boer generals surrendered to the British on May 31, 1902 to end the second Anglo-Boer war and abandon the independence

of the Boer Republics of Transvaal and the Orange Free State.

Mr. Vlok put a 50,000 price tag on his head on June 19 after he sent a video to the Afrikaans-daily Beeld exhorting police and soldiers to stage a coup.

He made a daring visit in person to the Johannesburg offices of the left-leaning Afrikaans weekly Vrye Weekblad last week to complain about an article that said he wanted to surrender.

Mr. Vlok said Mr. Rudolph was arrested at lunchtime Monday in central Pretoria in the passenger seat of a car. Police also impounded two .38 special revolvers and two other guns with ammunition.

Boerestaat Party leader Robert van Tonder urged the government to treat Mr. Rudolph as a political prisoner, and warned of trouble if he were tortured.

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#90260d2450 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT 17) - Singapore Petroleum Company (SPC) Monday issued 80 million shares for public subscription as part of its plan to get listed with the Stock Exchange of Singapore.

The 80 million shares with a par value of 50 Singapore cents (18 U.S.) were issued at 1.25 dollars (71 U.S. cents) each. They comprised 30 million new shares and 50 million existing shares held by Singapore Factory Development Ltd (SFDL), a wholly owned subsidary of the local DBS Bank, one of the republic's big four banks.

Announcing the move, the chairman of SPC, Tan Boon Teik, said the share offer represented about 25 per cent of the company's enlarged capital.

He said the net proceeds of the new shares, estimated to be about 36 million dollars (20.4 million U.S.) would be used to partly finance the construction of an oil terminal on the island of Pulau Sebarok.

Despite the Gulf crisis, Mr. Tan said the SPC directors decided to proceed with the public issue because oil and oil-related stocks had not been adversely affected and had seen "only modest declines" in their share prices compared to most other blue chip stocks.

Meanwhile, the government-owned DBS Bank in a statement said that it was disposing off 40,866,738 ordinary shares, representing 12.8 per cent of its stock, held by SFDL to local steelmaker, National Iron and Steel Mills Ltd, at the same rate.

SPC is principally engaged in oil refining, marketing distribution, trading of crude and petroleum products, third party processing and tanker transportation.

Besides the DBS stake, SPC is 31.5 per cent owned by local firm Oceanic Petroleum (Asia) and the rest by Japan's C. Itoh trading group.

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#90260d2490 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (SEPT 17) - Twelve hundred Nigerian soldiers are due to leave the Sierra Leone capital Tuesday for Liberia to boost the firepower of West African troops trying to impose a ceasefire to end nine months of civil war .

About 600 Nigerian soldiers are already here and were to be joined by another 600 men late on Monday, according to African diplomats.

The reinforcements are being sent to Liberia in the wake of fierce fighting at the weekend between rebels of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) of Charles Taylor and the peace force composed of contingents from six countries of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS).

Port officials said the reinforcements would leave Tuesday for Monrovia aboard two merchant ships, "Tano River" and "River Oli".

African diplomats described the development "as a step up of military action".

They said the ECOWAS Monitoring Group (ECOMOG), as the peace force is officially known " can no longer remain sitting ducks to be taken shot at".

"They have actually forced us into the offensive," the diplomats said of the NPFL which has condemned the ECOMOG intervention and refused to join an interim government set up under ECOWAS auspices.

The diplomats said the goal of the West African peace force was to achieve "a quicker end to the conflict and the installation of the new interim government whose power would extend throughout the whole of Liberia before ECOMOG forces will be withdrawn."

(Elite Nigerian paratroopers packed by warplanes launched a large scale offensive against positions held by NPFL rebels on Sunday, a source close to the government in Lagos said.

The source said that members of the 82nd Paratroop division had been dropped behind the lines of the NPFL. Nigerian air force Jaguar, Mig 21 and Alpha planes and Puma and Super-Puma helicopters provided air cover by carrying out bombings. Ghanaian warplanes also participated in the attack, the source said).

One African diplomat however described the bombing of Charles Taylor's forces by two Ghanaian air force jets Sunday as "a retaliation for the death of Ghanaians killed as result of the shelling by the Patriotic Front rebels".

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#90260d2500 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MUNICH (SEPT. 17) - French President Francois Mitterrand and West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl met here Monday for the start of talks focusing mainly on the Gulf crisis and European unity, officials said.

It was the 56th Franco-German summit and the last before the reunification of East and West Germany on October 3.

The French delegation comprised 13 cabinet ministers and included Prime Minister Michel Rocard. Representing West Germany were 10 ministers.

Sources said the two sides were also due to discuss the issue of French troops stationed in Germany, French private investment in East Germany after reunification and high-definition television.

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#90260d2520 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RIYADH (SEPT. 17) - Iraqi occupation forces in Kuwait Monday prevented Kuwaiti men aged between 17 and 45 from crossing into Saudi Arabia, while the European Community decided to expel Iraqi military attaches from all E.C. member countries.

Iraqi soldiers ordered Kuwaiti men out of thousands of cars with refugees who were waiting for hours at the Khajfi border crossing, southwest of Kuwait. But many cars turned back because families refused to leave Kuwait without their men.

Earlier, about 50 cars were allowed to cross the border. They were mainly driven by Kuwaitis and Egyptian workers, while Asian and Western nationals were not allowed to leave the country.

Unofficial reports said about 6,000 Kuwaitis have streamed across the border since Saturday, when Iraqi troops opened the border in a surprise move. Many refugees said Iraqi authorities had ''encouraged'' them to leave.

The E.C. decision was taken in Brussels by the community's foreign ministers in retaliation for last week's Iraqi raids on the French, Belgian and Dutch diplomatic missions in Kuwait. In one incident, Iraqi troops detained the French military attache for several hours and abducted three French civilians.

The British government said it would expel two Iraqi military attaches, four embassy employees and 23 other Iraqis.

Reports said 29 Iraqis were flown out of France late Sunday. The deportees

included 26 military technicians and pilots as well as three alleged secret service agents.

Meanwhile, elderly and sick French nationals Monday left Iraq in accordance with a ''personal initiative'' of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, Radio Baghdad said without elborating. The report could not be confirmed.

The president of the E.C. commission, Jacques Delors from France, said in Paris that in the light of the Gulf crisis the community should set up a joint military intervention force.

He said the West must help four billion people in the Third World who are living ''outside wealth'', but it must also be capable ''to prevent conflicts from occurring''. The setting up of such a force was not only ''necessary'' but also ''logical''.

In Amman, a predominantly leftist gathering of 120 pro-Iraqi parties and organisations in nine Arab states ended a three-day meeting with a call on Arab masses to prepare for ''a prolonged and bitter struggle'' against foreign intervention in the Gulf.

It called on Arabs to raise their voices and ''condemn the American invasion of the Gulf and the Arabian Peninsula and break the blockade imposed on Iraq." It warned that the U.S.-led Western military build-up in the Gulf threatens the breakout of a war in the Middle East, the Gulf and the Arabian Peninsula.

In another development, Iranian officials again denied rumours that Teheran had reached an agreement with Iraq to exchange oil for food and medicine, the Cyprus-based Middle East Economic Survey reported.

''It seems that the deal should best be regarded as a non-starter,'' the weekly said in reference to rumours of an arrangement under which 200,000 barrels per day of Iraqi crude would be transported for processing in Iranian refineries, thus freeing an equivalent volume of Iranian crude for export.

In Cairo, a foreign ministry spokesman confirmed that Egypt began dispatching more troops to the Gulf on Monday. No details were given, but Western diplomats put their number at about 15,000. An estimated 5,000 Egyptian forces are already stationed in the region.

Meanwhile, Air India has so far flown home 45,000 stranded Indians from Amman and Dubai in one of the world's biggest air exercises since the Berlin airlift of 1948-49, the airline's chief executive said Monday. There were over 172,000 Indians in Kuwait before the occupation.

TEHERAN (SEPT. 17) - Iran and Syria could discuss the deployment of Iranian troops in Saudi Arabia during a visit here of Syrian President Hafez al-Assad in the next few days, an informed Iranian source disclosed Monday.

His remarks came as the Syrian Ambassador to Iran, Ahmad al-Assan, told the English-language Teheran Times newspaper that Iranian troops, "which have a long experience in war technology, can help in the defense of the holiest places in Islam."

Syria has joined Egypt and Morocco in an Arab defense force deployed in Saudi Arabia to defend the kingdom against a possible attack by Iraqi forces in neighboring Kuwait.

In addition, the United States has stationed as many as 100,000 ground and air troops in Saudi Arabia and Britain sent a squadron of Tornado fighters in the aftermath of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

The Iranian source provided no further comment on the possible discussion of an Iranian deployment in Saudi Arabia but stressed the importance of the Syrian ambassador's interview in the Teheran Times.

Mr. al-Assan stressed that a request for Iranian forces "should come from the Arab League and Syria will support it by all means if such a proposal is tabled.

"Naturally, when we support the deployment of forces from Pakistan and Bangladesh ... there is no reason why the deployment of Iranian forces for the safety of Islam's holiest places is not backed by Syria," he said.

The ambassador said his government hoped that "foreign forces will be replaced by Arab and other Moslem ... forces."

Iran and Syria were solid allies during the eight-year Iran-Iraq war and have both condemned the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

But Teheran has spoken out strongly against the burgeoning U.S. military presence in the Gulf region, with Spiritual Guide Ayatollah Ali Khamenei equating popular resistance to the U.S. deployment with holy war.

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#90260d2700 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT 17) - The 12 countries of the European Economic Community (EEC) agreed Monday to allow private enterprise participation in four key sectors -- drinking water, transport, energy and telecommunications.

A spokesman for the European Commission said here that private sector firms would be allowed to compete freely for contracts individually worth over

400,000 European Currency Units (ECU's -- 520,000 dollars.

The floor limit would be 600,000 ECU's (780,000 dollars) for telecommunications, and five billion ECU's (66.5 billion dollars) for public works.

The measures are due to come into effect no later than January 1, 1993. However, this limit is to be extended to 1996 for Spain and 1998 for Greece.

According to the agreement, firms from EEC countries are to be given preference in the award of contracts if tender price differences are no greater than three percent.

A tender from a firm outside the EEC can also be rejected if more than half the value of the product comes from outside the community.

EEC public sector spending amounts to over 200 billion ECU's (260 billion dollars) a year.

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#90260d2730 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 17) - British group Storehouse, owner of several chain stores including Habitat, announced Monday it had sold two of its subsidiaries, the British furniture group Heal and Son and the French children's clothing chain Jacadi for 15.8 million pounds (24 million dollars).

Jacadi was bought by an investment group headed by Patrick Hamelle, director-general and founder of Jacadi, and the French bank Credit Agricole, for 15 million pounds.

Heal and Son was sold to its current managing director, Colin Pilgrim, for 850,000 pounds.

Michael Julien, director general of Storehouse said that the sale "reflects our policy of concentrating our financial and managerial resources on our major businesses."

Storehouse owns the British Home Stores chain.

Jacadi which has 288 outlets, of which 250 are in France, recorded profits for the year ended March 1990 of 1.5 million pounds (2.2 million dollars) on sales of 31.6 million pounds.

Heal and Son which operates two large stores in London, recorded a loss of 1.9 million pounds on turnover of 14.6 million pounds for the 1989 financial year. This year's results are also expected to be in the red.

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#90260d2750 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT 17) - Capital investment by all Japanese companies except in the banking and insurance sector jumped 22.1 percent to 50.37 trillion yen (367.7 billion dollars) in fiscal 1989, the finance ministry said Monday.

Their sales during the year ending in March this year rose 2.8 percent from fiscal 1988 to 1,307.85 trillion yen (9.5 trillion dollars), the ministry said in a report.

Sales went up 8.8 percent in the manufacturing sector and by 0.5 percent in the non-manufacturing industries, it said without specifying the amounts and the number of firms.

The companies' pre-tax profits rose 8.3 percent 38.91 trillion yen (284.0 billion dollars), the ministry said.

The Japanese economy is expected to remain brisk at least through the end of the current 1990 fiscal year ending next March, it said.

Higher crude oil prices and interest rates will not have a major impact on companies' business performance, the finance ministry said.

The estimate was based on a survey taken in mid-August covering some 10,000 firms.

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#90260d2810 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DHAKA (SEPT. 17) - Bangladesh Monday said its ambassador to Kuwait and other Bangladeshi diplomats had been detained in Baghdad.

A foreign ministry spokesman said Ambassador K.M. Shahabuddin and other diplomatic staff and their families were held in the Iraqi capital and refused permission to leave for Jordan on their way home.

The spokesman said the Bangladeshi diplomats and their families had reached Baghdad Sunday after winding up the mission in occupied Kuwait.

The Bangladeshi government summoned the Iraqi ambassador in Dhaka, Zuhair Muhammad al-Omar, to the foreign ministry to protest against the Iraqi action.

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#90260d2840 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (SEPT. 17) - Saudi Arabia's oil production is expected to reach an average of 7.7 million barrels per day (bd) this month, above the quota of

5.380 million bd it was allocated by the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) in July.

The authoritative weekly newsletter Middle East Economic Survey reported that ''it is not yet clear to what extent production is likely to be increased further in the fourth quarter of 1990, using temporary surge capacity to 8.0 to 8.5 million bd''.

The newsletter said that to cope with increased military demand for gasoline and middle distillates, Saudi Arabia has increased its domestic refinery runs by some 200,000 bd, partly from the country's Gulf refinery at Ras Tanura and partly at Rabigah on the Red Sea.

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#90260d2860 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 17) - The Soviet Union and Saudi Arabia on Monday agreed to restore diplomatic relations after a gap of over 50 years, an official communique said.

The two nations, who broke off ties in 1939, agreed to open embassies in the respective capitals.

The announcement came as Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal met with his Soviet counterpart Edouard Shevardnandze and President Mikhail Gorbachev.

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#90260d2880 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA (SEPT 17) - About 30,000 people took part in an anti-government demonstration in the centre of the Bulgarian capital Monday, and were exhorted to "chase the communists out of power", eyewitnesses said.

The demonstration was organised by the Union of Democratic Forces (UDF), which groups together the 15 main opposition movements in Bulgaria.

It was the first such event organised officially by the UDF since elections in June which were won by the Bulgarian Socialist Party (BSP), the renamed communist government.

Speakers chanted such slogans as "chase the communists out of power", "we don't want communism" and "down with the BSP".

They also demanded punishment for those responsible for the "national catastrohpe" -- the Bulgarian economy.

Several anti-government activists were given a loud welcome by the crowd, including trade union leader Konstantin Trenchev, who was accused by the

government of instigating the ransacking of BSP headquarters last month.

The governing socialists are due to hold a special party congress at the end of the week.

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#90260d3000 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MIAMI BEACH, FL (SEPT. 17) - The United Mine Workers (UMW) opened its 100th annual convention here Monday facing problems of a declining membership, worsening financial woes and legal problems.

Delegates are to be asked to give the executive board the authority to close down 21 local district organizations, including many which have become insolvent.

The executive will also request permission to use interest from a 60-million-dollar strike fund to pay off legal expenses and other costs related to recent strike action. The interest may now be used only to pay strikers' benefits.

Finally the delegates will be asked to adopt constitutional changes which will according to the leadership, give the union greater flexibility in dealing with multinational corporations.

The union's membership, which stood at 400,000 and controlled 80 percent of the nation's coal pits in the 1940's, is now down to about 70,000 as an increasing number of mines have implemented greater mechanization. Use of coal has also been reduced due to environmental concerns in the United States.

The union's president, Richard Trumka, told the convention Monday that a national energy policy promoting the use of coal could have helped evert the Gulf crisis.

Trumka claimed: "The only reason characters like Iraqi President Saddam Hussein have any power at all is because of the oil they have -- oil we could have replaced years ago with coal mined in the United States and Canada."

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#90260d3120 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 17) - The European Economic Community on Monday decided to sign an economic and trade cooperation agreement with Romania, which was frozen in June, Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis announced.

The EEC froze the signing of the accord to protest bloody repression in June of anti-government demonstrations, mainly by miners drafted in to Bucharest for the purpose.

Foreign ministers of the EEC meeting here considered that the political situation and observance of human rights had sufficiently improved to go ahead with signing the accord, diplomatic sources said.

The agreement will ease restrictions on trade between the EEC and Romania.

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#90260d3420 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (SEPT 17) - The repatriation of Gulf war prisoners has been interrupted, as there have been no official announcements here of POW exchanges between Iran and Iraq since Saturday.

There was no apparent reason for the suspension, which came as an Iranian delegation headed by Deputy Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki was on an official visit to Baghdad.

Iran has condemned the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait but has also spoken strongly against the massive buildup of Western -- notably American -- military forces in the Gulf region and in Saudi Arabia.

More than 75,000 prisoners from the eight-year war between Iran and Iraq,

which ended in a cease-fire in August 1988, have been exchanged since August 17, two days after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein agreed to Teheran's terms for a formal end to the conflict.

During an official visit here earlier this month of Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz, the two sides agreed to return 2,000 prisoners a day.

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#90260d3500 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (SEPT 17) - Ghana is prepared to send 1,000 additional troops to boost the ranks of the West African peace force in Liberia, informed sources said here Monday.

The sources said the offer was made during a meeting between Economic Community of West African States Monitoring Group (ECOMOG) commander Arnold Quainoo, West African ambassadors to Freetown and Sierra Leone President Joseph Momoh.

Ghana, Sierra Leone, Guinea, the Gambia, and Nigeria have contributed troops to the ECOMOG force sent into to war-torn Liberia on August 24 to impose a ceasefire in the country's nine-month civil war.

Nigeria at the weekend brought in 600 soldiers here to board vessels to set

sail this week for Monrovia and another 600 were expected to arrive late on Monday.

Monday's "crisis" meeting, which was also attended by ECOWAS Executive Secretary Abass Bundu and U.S. ambassador to Sierra Leone Johnny Young, was held to evaluate intensified fighting over the weekend, including Ghana air attacks on positions held by Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front (NPFL) rebels in Monrovia.

Unconfirmed reports said Ghanaian fighters on Saturday bombed Robertsfield, Liberia's only international airport 55 kilomters (35 miles) east of Monrovia.

Sources close to the meeting at State House Monday said General Quainoo, a Ghanaian, had stressed the need to use "military alternative to bring peace to Monrovia."

He was reported as saying the next step in the Ecowas peace plan would be to instal an interim government which was chosen three weeks ago by Liberian politicians meeting in the Gambian capital Banjul.

The force commander said the food situation in Liberia was "desperate" and that ECOMOG troops have had to share their rations with starving Liberians trapped in Monrovia.

Meanwhile, sources here said Nigeria plans to drop paratroops at the port of Buchanan, a rebel stronghold 144 kilometers east of Monrovia where up to 2,000 Ghanaian nationals are reportedly living.

Paratroopers are also to land at Kakata, an important crossroad 55 kilometers (35 miles) north of Monrovia, but the sources did not know when.

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#90260d3550 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WORCESTER, South Africa (SEPT 17) - African National Congress (ANC) deputy leader Nelson Mandela warned here Monday that peace talks towards a negotiated settlement in South Africa could be on the rocks, correspondents said.

If the white minority government did not take "emphatic steps" to end spiralling violence in black townships around Johannesburg, the ANC will have to make a decision reversing "almost everything" done since May this year towards a negotiated peace, he said.

Mr. Mandela was adressing about 3,000 people here, some 100 kilometers (63 miles) north east of Cape Town, following an one-day tour of South Africa's winemaking region.

More than 700 people have been killed since August 13 in South Africa's worst

wave of black-on-black violence and on Saturday the government announced new moves to clamp down on the violence.

An emergency meeting of the ANC's National Executive Committee (NEC) will consider "very carefully" the government's reaction towards the violence in black townships, Mr. Mandela said.

He added that the ANC was finding its commitment to peace increasingly difficult. "In these circumstances it should be very easy for us to walk out of the talks in which we are engaged".

The ANC has already held two rounds of exploratory talks with the government since May 2, aimed at removing obstacles to constitutional negotiation and in terms of a historic accord reached between the two parties on August 6, the ANC suspended its 29-year guerilla war waged against the government.

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AMMAN (Sept 17) - Pro-Iraqi delegates from 10 Arab countries and the PLO on Monday vowed to strike U.S. interests around the world if Washington attacked Iraq in the current Gulf crisis.

The pledge came at the end of a three-day meeting here of the Conference of Popular Arab Forces, which also decided to challege a United Nations embargo against Baghdad by chartering a boat carrying women and children that would try to deliver food and medicine to Iraq.

Nearly 1,000 people at the close of the meeting staged a demonstration here expressing support for Iraq and denouncing Syrian President Hafez al-Assad as a "traitor to the Arab nation."

Mr. Assad has denounced the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2 and agreed to deploy Syrian troops in Saudi Arabia to help defend the kingdom against a possible attack by Iraqi forces in Kuwait.

"With your chemical weapons, bring us victories, O Saddam!" shouted demonstrators, alluding to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, currently locked in a bitter standoff with the West.

The congress, which grouped non-governmental secular groups from the Arab world, backed calls for holy war "to liberate the holy sites (in Saudi Arabia)

from foreign occupation."

Upwards of 100,000 U.S. forces have also been stationed in Saudi Arabia in the aftermath of the Iraqi invasion.

The final communique vowed to "use all means to strike American interests in the world the moment the United States attacks Iraq militarily."

Delgates proposed that August 6 be recalled and commemorated in the Arab world as the day U.S. troops "invaded" Saudi Arabia.

In addition, the conference decided to create a permanent secretariat here "to ensure the coordination of popular activities ... in light of the failure of Arab leaders to oppose the intervention of foreign forces in the Gulf."

Representatives here were from groups based in Algeria, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Sudan, Tunisia and Yemen, along with two senior leaders of Palestine Liberation Organization factions, George Habash and Nayef Hawatmeh.

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#90260d3720 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH (SEPT. 17) - France is to reduce the number of troops based in West Germany from the present 50,000 after German unification takes place, it was agreed in talks here between Bonn Chancellor Helmut Kohl and French President Francois Mitterrand.

The two governments are expected to make a ''joint political declaration of principle'' setting out their plans for military cooperation.

Spokesmen for Kohl and Mitterrand gave no details of the extent of the French troop reductions but Bonn government spokeman Hans Klein said it was obvious there would be some cuts in line with the general reduction in German force strength.

The West German government had asked France to retain a military presence in Germany after unification.

Bonn delegation sources said the West German government would like some French and German brigades such as medical units to work together. Meanwhile a joint 4,000-strong brigade, already agreed by the two governments, will begin operations on October 1.

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BRUSSELS (SEPT 17) - The European Economic Community on Monday decided to

sign an economic and trade cooperation agreement with Romania, which was frozen in June, Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis announced.

The EEC froze the signing of the accord to protest bloody repression in June of anti-government demonstrations, mainly by miners drafted in to Bucharest for the purpose.

Foreign ministers of the EEC meeting here considered that the political situation and observance of human rights had sufficiently improved to go ahead with signing the accord, diplomatic sources said.

The agreement will ease restrictions on trade between the EEC and Romania which, with Albania, is the only country in Eastern Europe not to have signed such an accord.

French diplomatic sources said Britain and the Netherlands were the last to lift their objections to the unfreezing of the agreement. France had threatened to sign a bilateral accord with Romania if the EEC did not do so.

Mr. De Michelis said Romania remained excluded from Western aid for Eastern European reform coordinated by the so-called G-24 countries.

He said foreign ministers of the 12 EEC countries agreed Monday that East Germany, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria should be added to the list of aid recipients, which already includes Poland and Hungary.

Mr. De Michelis said Romania's inclusion on the list would depend on the results of a Romanian parliamentary probe into the June protests in Bucharest, and specifically into the violence dealt out to anti-government protesters.

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#90260d3830 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN JOSE (SEPT 17) - Leftist Salvadoran rebels, despairing over peace talks that have bogged down amid disputes over the future of the Salvadoran military announced Monday they would present new economic proposals at the negotiations.

As the latest round of peace talks here were drawing to an end, heavy fighting was reported in different parts of El Salvador Sunday and Monday, with 20 rebels and government troops killed and 35 others wounded.

The talks, which began last week and are due to end Tuesday, have been bogged down in arguments over rebel demands that the Salvadoran Army be disbanded and replaced by a civil police force.

Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) commander Francisco Jovel said Monday he would change tack Tuesday by delivering an economic proposal

aimed at developing small and medium-sized businesses and protecting the country's poor.

The guerrilla leader said the proposal would aim to protect the workers' right to organize and provide better housing, education and health care for Salvadorans.

Salvadoran Justice Minister Oscar Santamaria said the government would examine the rebels' economic proposal, but he was not as pessimistic as the rebels about reaching "at least a partial agreement" on military questions.

Mr. Jovel said the major obstacle to reaching an agreement on military matters was "the need to resolve fundamental problems, such as the impunity with which the military is committing human rights violations."

Last week, Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani agreed to restructure El Salvador's armed forces but he refused to bow to the rebels' demand to disband them.

The FMLN was "totally wrong" to want to pressure the government with the threat of launching a new military offensive, Mr. Cristiani said.

FMLN leaders said they would launch a new offensive if the current round of talks in San Jose failed.

The talks are aimed at ending the decade-long civil war that has left some 70,000 dead among rebels, troops and civilians.

The armed forces reported heavy fighting Sunday in the town of Anamoros, some 220 kilometers (135 miles) east of the capital, and also in the northern Chalatenango department and central San Vicente.

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PRETORIA (SEPT 17) - South Africa is ready to sign the nuclear nonproliferation treaty on "certain conditions", Foreign Minister Roelof "Pik" Botha said here Monday.

"The South African government is prepared to accede to the treaty in the context of an equal commitment by other states in the Southern African region," Mr. Botha said in a statement.

South Africa has consistently refused to sign the treaty which would involve a pledge not to make nuclear arms, and to open nuclear installations to international inspection.

The country already has one French-built nuclear power station at Koeberg on

South Africa's south-west coast and two nuclear research plants near Pretoria, including a top-secret uranium-enrichment plant at Pelindaba.

"Viewed within the context of the government's irreversible reform initiatives the proposed action underscores South Africa's commitment to contribute to peace and regional security" in southern Africa, Mr. Botha said.

He added that the government's decision to sign the treaty follows several rounds of discussions with the main signatories to the treaty, the United States, Britain and the Soviet Union.

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#90260d3890 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) - Pentagon Chief Richard Cheney fired Air Force Chief of Staff General Michael Dugan Monday for revealing sensitive information to the press about U.S. military plans in the Gulf.

Cheney said the dismissal was ''not a pleasant task but a necessary one''. He said Dugan was ''a fine officer with an outstanding record,'' but that ''there are certain things we never talk about''.

In interviews Sunday to the Los Angeles Times and the Washington Post, Dugan said that allied forces in Saudi Arabia would conduct aerial bombing missions on Baghdad should there be an outbreak of war.

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#90260d3970 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (SEPT 17) (AFP) - Brazil will give 10 percent of its land to some 230,000 Brazilian Indians by 1993, the National Foundation of the Indian (FUNAI) announced here Monday.

Cantidio Guerreiro Guimaraes, the new president of FUNAI, said the government would transform the nearly 87 million hectares (215 million acres) of land into natural reserves for the Indians.

The cost of creating about 300 Indian reserves -- with a total area larger than France and Italy combined -- was estimated at more than 100 million dollars, Mr. Guerreiro said.

Some of the funds will be used to compensate farmers forced to leave the future reserves and to protect large areas of virgin Amazon forests where more than 40 "isolated" Indian tribes still live, he said.

There are currently 43,990,112 hectares (108,655,576 acres) of Indian reservations.

The FUNAI plan still calls for boundaries to be set in 1990 for 10 additional Indian reserves in the Brazilian Amazon: three in the state of Rondonia, two in Mato Grosso, two in Acre, one in Roraima, one in Para, and one in Pernambuco.

Brazil's population is two percent Indian, comprising 200 indigenous groups which speak 170 different languages.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT 17) - The United States Monday withheld comment on reports of a large-scale offensive by Nigerian paratroopers against rebels in Liberia but reiterated its support for a bid by a West African peacekeeping force to arrange a ceasefire.

"As of this morning the situation is relatively quiet, with only sporadic fighting," State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

Fierce fighting erupted at the weekend between rebels of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) of Charles Taylor and the West African peacekeeping force.

Mr. Boucher reiterated U.S. support for the six-nation peacekeeping force sent to Liberia by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), "particularly its goal to establish a ceasefire."

(Nigerian paratroopers backed by warplanes launched a large scale offensive against positions held by NPFL rebels on Sunday, said a source close to the Nigerian government in Lagos. Ghanaian warplanes also participated in the attack, the source said.

(Twelve hundred Nigerian soldiers are due to leave the Sierra Leone capital Tuesday for Liberia to boost the firepower of West African troops trying to impose a ceasefire to end nine months of civil war .

Mr. Boucher said U.S. assistant Secretary of State for African affairs Herman Cohen was currently travelling in West Africa to assess the Liberian situation with regional leaders. But he said his exact schedule was still being worked out.

(In Banjul, Gambian officials said Mr. Cohen would meet first with Gambian Foreign Minister Omar Sey in the Sierra Leone capital Freetown and was scheduled to visit Monrovia Wednesday.)

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#90260d4360 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (SEPT 18) - The 45th session of the U.N. General Assembly begins in New York Tuesday against the backdrop of the further escalating Gulf crisis.

For the next three months delegates from 159 countries will be occupied with an array of problems filling an agenda already running to 155 topies. Topics range from the Palestinian issue to drug abuse and aging.

But the major issue facing the chamber presided over this year by Malta Foreign Minister Guido de Marco will be the Mideast, according to diplomats and U.N. officials. It is expected that the Kuwaiti delegation will bring up the Iraqi invasion of their country for debate.

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#90260d4750 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT 17) - The representatives of the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council were meeting in closed session late Monday to consider including the commercial airways in the U.N. economic and military embargo against Iraq, diplomatic sources said.

Delegates of the United States, the Soviet Union, China, Britain and France were meeting at the French mission here on whether to include air travel in the embargo -- something which was never done in previous U.N. economic embargoes.

Diplomats were seeking ways to step up control over air shipments at internatonal airports and to verify the flight plans of planes headed to Iraq. There was no question of using force, diplomatic sources said.

The United Nations imposed the trade embargo against Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait after Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2. Diplomats say the Iraqis have circumvented the embargo with air shipments.

Also Monday, U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar and Iraqi Ambassador Abdul Amir al-Anbari met at the secretary general's invitation, but both men refused to comment on their discussions.

The Security Council's sanctions committee met Monday primarily to discuss emergency aid to Jordan, which has been flooded with refugees from Iraq and Kuwait.

The security council, the same sources said, was expected to adopt soon a resolution calling for international aid to Jordan.

The committee was also expected to discuss aid to other countries suffering economically because of the U.N. embargo.

The latest country to request aid is Yemen which, in a letter to Mr. Perez de Cuellar, said the embargo had cost it some 1.4 billion dollars in lost

revenues.

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#90260d9410 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (SEPT. 17) - Some 6,000 Kuwaiti families have fled from Kuwait to Saudi Arabia since Iraq unexpectedly opened a border post on the weekend and the exodus is continuing, Saudi officials and diplomats said Monday.

A Saudi immigration official reached by telephone at the Khafji checkpoint said thousands of people, a large majority of them Kuwaitis, were pouring into Saudi Arabia from Kuwait for the third consecutive day.

He was unable to give figures, but Gulf diplomats said some 6,000 Kuwaiti families had crossed into northeastern Saudi Arabia since Iraqi troops who have occupied Kuwait since August 2 opened the Khafji post Saturday.

According to Saudi border police, some Egyptians have been able to take advantage of the Iraqi move but Western nationals have been barred from leaving. It was unclear how many Asians, if any, have crossed the border.

The police said Iraqi troops have been stripping those leaving of all their identity papers before they are allowed to enter Saudi territory.

"It is a new Iraqi policy aimed at throwing Kuwaitis out of their own country so that Iraqi citizens can be settled in their places," said Citizens for Free Kuwait, a resistance committee based in Taif, Saudi Arabia.

The exodus has come amid a sharply worsening situation in Iraqi-controlled Kuwait, where according to accounts from escapees, public order has broken down and there are severe shortages of food and medicine.

The opening of the border came the same day as Iraqi Minister of Local Government Ali Hassan al-Majid was named governor of the province of Kuwait, which Iraq annexed shortly after the invasion.

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#90260d9580 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 17) - The recent surge in crude oil prices will have little impact on Japan's economic growth or inflation in the next two years if prices stabilise at around 24 dollars a barrel, according to a leading Japanese bank.

"If Japan responds coolly to the present sharp rise in the price of crude oil, there is little likelihood that the country's current buoyancy and price stability will be affected," Sumitomo Bank Ltd. said in a monthly report.

The bank, the world's third biggest, calculated that a 50 percent rise in oil

prices from 16 dollars in June would have no impact on the real rate of economic growth in the current fiscal year which began in April. But the rate would fall by one-tenth of a percentage point the following year, it said.

Consumer prices would not be affected this year but boosted by 0.3 percentage points next year, while wholesale prices would rise by an extra 0.3 points this year followed by an increase of 0.8 points the following year.

Higher oil prices would meanwhile reduce Japan's current account surplus by almost six billion dollars this year and 11 billion dollars next year.

The bank, which said its forecast did not take into account "excessive reactions" by companies and consumers, noted that oil stocks were high and that producers besides Iraq and Kuwait were expected to boost their output of crude.

The report also noted that Japan's oil efficiency, as measured by gross national product (GNP) divided by the country's volume of oil imports, was now almost twice the level at the time of the second oil shock in 1979.

"This has given the country substantially increased strength to resist rises in crude oil prices," it said, adding that the impact of higher oil prices would probably be further cushioned by a stronger yen.

Japan's GNP, the country's total output of goods and services minus foreign income, grew five percent last year with consumer prices rising 2.9 percent and wholesale prices 2.5 percent. The current account surplus, measuring trade in good and services plus certain financial transfers, was 54 billion dollars.

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#90260d9670 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 17) - Three people were killed and 25 injured in two bomb explosions late Sunday, police said Monday.

Police said one bomb was placed in a Rawalpindi-bound bus by unknown "terrorists" who got off before it exploded near Gujrat, 160 kilometres (100 miles) southeast of here.

The three victims included a woman and her one-year old daughter. Eleven passengers were seriously injured.

Almost simultaneously, another bomb exploded under a fruit vendor's cart in the busy market town of Jhang in the Punjab. Seven people were taken to hospital.

The town has witnessed repeated clashes between Sunni and Shiite Moslem sects since last year. The sects, differing on religious rites, also clashed in the provincial capital Lahore Sunday, leaving one person dead and 20 hurt.

Three blasts in Punjab last month on a passenger train and in crowded public places left a dozen dead and 60 injured.

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#90260d9730 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 17) - New Zealand Premier Mike Moore stunned the country Monday with a pre-election bombshell, an economic package focussing on a wage order which critics said smacked of state intervention.

The economic package revealed New Zealand's annual growth rate had plummeted.

The initiative featured an agreement with the country's leading union body to create jobs, spark economic growth and lower interest rates without relying only on monetary policy, Mr. Moore said.

Mr. Moore announced the package ahead of the October 27 general elections, which various opinion polls indicate the ruling Labour Party will lose.

He told a press conference the package was a major economic initiative which would ensure New Zealand would be cushioned from external economic events and would lead to growth, investment and jobs.

But analysts here said the package appeared to be a last minute patch-up job for Mr. Moore, who only became prime minister two weeks ago.

Television New Zealand reported Monday night that the package was formulated in the last 72 hours.

Mr. Moore said the government would substantially reduce its projected 2.2 billion New Zealand dollar (1.3 billion dollar U.S.) deficit but did not specify how it would achieve this.

The central banker, the Reserve Bank, will not interfere with the measures,

he said, as Finance Minister David Caygill said interest rates had already begun falling Monday as word of the package spread.

On currency markets, the New Zealand dollar tumbled, closing Monday at 62.26 U.S. cents, after opening at 62.60 and reaching a day's high of 62.95.

The country's main union body, the New Zealand Combined Trade Unions (NZCTU), has agreed to use its influence to achieve wage settlements of two per cent in the wage round currently underway, Mr. Moore said.

Mr. Moore said the agreement with the NZCTU would run for a year, effective immediately, and added: "It is a bold move by all parties to tackle the root

causes of our new problems, not a tinkering with the monetary rules.

"It is New Zealand's best shot at getting interest rates down and keeping them down," Mr. Moore said, adding that the country could slide into needless recession without the economic package.

The government had revised its July budget estimate of a 2.4 per cent annual growth rate down to around one per cent but external factors were mostly to blame, Mr. Moore said.

These factors included the Middle East crisis, events in Eastern Europe, falling farm export prices and the declining economies of New Zealand's main trading partners -- the United States, Japan and Australia, he said.

Mr. Moore said he expected all parties to cooperate on wages to achieve a common goal of economic and job growth.

Reserve Bank director Don Brash said a government-NZCTU initiative would mean monetary policy would carry less of the burden of making New Zealand competitive and economically sound.

But Employers Federation director Steven Marshall said the package was a reversal of government policy.

"We have a decentralised economy now and we are looking at a policy initiative which is very much centralised," Mr. Marshall said. "That in itself sends out very confusing signals to competing businesses in the country."

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#90260d9830 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 17) - Japan's Toyota Motor Corp. said Monday its exports rose only one percent from a year earlier in August, while Nissan Motor Co. said its shipments overseas plunged 16.6 percent.

August motor vehicle exports by Toyota, the top carmaker in Japan, totaled 128,986 units and those by Nissan, the second largest, came to 69,912 units.

Domestic sales by Toyota in the month jumped 20.2 percent to 141,874 units, helped by a boost in demand, while those of Nissan rose 5.1 percent to 82,238 units.

Toyota's domestic production in August went up 17.9 percent to 292,780 units, while Nissan's dropped 1.3 percent to 168,929 units.

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#90260d9880 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 17) - The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) signed 17 million dollars' worth of grants for Philippine projects Monday on the eve of negotations on the future of U.S. military bases here, the U.S. Embassy said.

The agency signed a nine million-dollar agreement with the Philippine Exporters Foundation to promote trade and investment in the Philippines through a project designed to help small and medium-scale companies gain access to foreign markets.

It was the first time USAID has given assistance to a non-government organization involved in trade and investment promotion in the Philippines, an embassy statement said.

Microlink Philippines, Inc., a private voluntary organization, received a 7.475 million-dollar AID grant for a project that would provide jobs for more than 1,000 low-income Manila residents, it added.

USAID also signed a 500,000-dollar grant agreement with the Asia Foundation to help disadvantaged Filipinos enhance their legal rights.

The foundation is a private American voluntary organization. The grant will support the work of four non-government organizations -- the Structural Legal Assistance for Grassroots, the Haribon Foundation, the Alternative Legal Assistance Center and the Developmental Legal Aid Center.

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#90260d9900 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (SEPT. 17) - While West German industry continues to work to the limits of its capacity amid the strongest economic boom in 20 years, East German industrial performance is steadily sinking on a broad front, the Bundesbank said here.

Comparing the two Germanys' economies in the summer of 1990, the central bank said that the introduction of the Deutschmark in East Germany had above all kept the West German economy rolling.

Orders from East Germany since the D-mark introduction had more than compensated for a slackening export demand amid economic slowdown elsewhere - the United States, Britain, Sweden, France and Italy - the Bundesbank said.

However, as East Germans, with D-marks to spend, rapidly changed their buying habits, East German industry has as a result suffered "considerable downturns in production and employment".

The decline in East German industry which had set in last spring was "accelerating on a broad front", the Bundesbank said. East German-made

products were unable to compete with Western goods in terms of price, quality, speed of supply and marketing.

In July, East German industrial output was 42 per cent lower than in the same month last year, the report said.

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#90260d9920 09/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Seoul (SEPT. 17) - South Korea and the Soviet Union will announce a timetable for the establishment of diplomatic ties later this month, the South Korean news agency Yonhap reported Monday.

The news agency said South Korean Foreign Minister Choi Ho Joong and his Soviet counterpart Eduard Shevardnadze will announce details of the normalisation in relations when they meet at the United Nations general assembly session.

Yonhap also quoted an unidentified South Korean government official as saying the two countries would conclude agreements on economic and technological cooperation on September 23-25 in Moscow and investment protection on October 4 in Seoul.

The signal for a normalisation in ties came in June after Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev met South Korean President Roh Tae Woo in San Francisco for the first direct talks between leaders of the two countries since the division of the Korean peninsual 40 years ago. dpa ms 171155 sep 90

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GENEVA (SEPT. 17) - The Swiss Alps claimed the lives of 10 climbers Sunday, including seven West Germans, Swiss rescue services reported Monday.

A group of six mountaineers from Zollingen, West Germany, fell 250 meters to their deaths near Brigue, Switzerland, when they apparently slipped on an ice face while climbing in two teams at 4,000 meters.

A West German climbing alone was killed in a fall at 2,900 meters in the Col du Torrent region near Evolone, Swiss police said.

Three Swiss climbers were also killed Sunday, two of them in the Weissmies moutains south of Brigue, and a 20-year-old climber in the Simmelistock range, near Bern.

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#90260e0012 09/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 17) EFE - Hundreds of separatists have stormed the headquarters of the KGB secret police in the Soviet republic of Georgia's capital Tbilisi, according to a report on Radio Moscow's Interfax news service Monday.

The report, which cited information it said it had not been able to confirm, said the raid came at the end of a nationalist rally late Sunday attended by 15,000 people.

As the meeting wound up, some 1,000 protesters headed for the headquarters of the republic's government to demand its resignation and the closure of regional KGB headquarters.

The crowd later burst into the KGB building, breaking down doors, shattering windows and destroying furniture.

Interfax said no one was injured in the incident and none of the demonstrators carried weapons.

In June the republic's parliament approved the independence of Georgia, as part of a wave of similar declarations by other Soviet republics.

In August, the parliament passed an electoral law paving the way for multi-party elections, following weeks of protests organized to call for open polling and the resignation of the republic's leadership.

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#90260e0018 09/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ABIDJAN (SEPT 17) EFE - Warplanes from Ghana and Nigeria have bombed guerrilla positions around the Liberian capital, according to radio reports Monday, damaging the neutral image of the West African peacekeeping force in the Liberian civil war.

Monitored in the Ivory Coast capital of Abidjan, the reports said Sunday's raids against Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) around Monrovia was in response to a guerrilla attack on the peacekeeping force's headquarters on Friday.

Three Nigerian doctors and two Ghanian soldiers were killed in the attack.

Observers said that the bombing by planes of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) appeared to indicate that the peacekeeping force was supporting Taylor's rival, Prince Johnson, who has declared his willingness to collaborate in the formation of a transitional Liberian government.

But they said it would be difficult to defeat Taylor whose 10,000 men control 90 per cent of Liberian territory.

Fighting between Taylor's and Johnson's guerrillas, once loosely united in the struggle to depose the late President Samuel Doe, has intensified in the streets of Monrovia.

The peacekeeping force, in a bid to end the civil war that has now raged for nine months and cost 6,000 lives, sent 4,000 men to Liberia in mid-August.

The force has been bosltered with the recent arrival of 1,000 Nigerian soldiers.

But the presence of the peacekeeping force has not eased the desperate plight of Monrovia's population whose situation has been aggravated by a cholera epidemic.

The disease has killed 20 people in the past six days and authorities fear the epidemic will spread rapidly because of the lack of medical equipment and appalling hygienic conditions.

A group of Spanish, Belgian and Dutch doctors has arrived in Abidjan with the intention of travelling by road to Liberia to provide some medical relief, authorities said.

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#90260e0020 09/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Baghdad, Sept 17 (EFE).- Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister Manucher Mottaki Monday met with his Iraqi counterpart, Wisam Al-Zahawi, to iron out details of their governments' recent moves towards a formal peace and to discuss the opening of their borders, Iraqi officials said.

They said the visit was a follow-up of talks held in Tehran between the foreign ministers of Iraq, Tareg Aziz, and Iran, Ali Akbar Velayati.

The two deputy ministers discussed the ongoing exchange of tens of thousands of prisoners of war each country has held since the 1980-1988 Gulf War.

Mottaki also laid the groundwork for Velayati's upcoming visit to Baghdad, and of a possible summit between Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Iranian President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, the officials said.

Last month, Saddam offered to settle with Iran outstanding issues from their 1988 cease-fire, which included Baghdad's acceptance of a 1975 accord splitting ownership of the Shatt al-Arab waterway, which borders the two countries.

Observers said the Iraqi peace overtures were aimed at getting Iranian support to help Baghdad sidestep a United Nations trade embargo imposed four days after Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

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#90260e0032 09/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
RIYADH (SEPT 17) EFE - Egypt Monday began flying an additional 15,000 troops to Saudi Arabia, where they will join in the multinational effort to defend the kingdom against a possible Iraqi attack, Saudi military sources said.

The airlift also transported small arms and heavy artillery.

Some 5,000 Egyptian troops had already been sent as part of an Arab contigent alongside U.S.-led multinational forces deployed in Saudi Arabia following Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait August 2.

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#90260e0056 09/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Managua (SEPT. 17) EFE - The Nicaraguan government is to reduce the number of staff in its diplomatic missions and close embassies in several socialist countries in an effort to cut costs, Deputy Foreign Minister Ernesto Leal said Monday.

The government, in response to the country's economic crisis, will recall diplomats from embassies in Eastern Europe, Africa and Asia established by the previous Sandinista administration, the minster said.

One ambassador, based in Warsaw, will represent Nicaragua's interests in Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, and Bulgaria.

While Managua has yet to name an ambassador to Cuba, Leal said this did not mean "there was no intention to do".

Foreign Minister Enrique Dreyfus announced soon after the April inauguration of Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro that "almost all" the country's diplomatic missions abroad would have to close.

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#90260k0010 09/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 17) KYODO - SAPPORO BREWERIES LTD. ANNOUNCED THE PARTIAL OPENING MONDAY OF ITS HOTEL BEING BUILT IN A JOINT VENTURE WITH BEIJING TOURISM CORP.

THE BEIJING RAINBOW HOTEL, TO BE COMPLETED IN DECEMBER, HAS BEEN PARTIALLY OPENED TO ACCOMMODATE VISITORS TO THE ASIAN GAMES THAT START NEXT SATURDAY, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE 13-STORY HOTEL HAS 433 ROOMS ON PREMISES OF ABOUT 6,600 SQUARE METERS AND IS SITUATED NEAR TIANANMEN SQUARE.

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#90260k0018 09/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 17) KYODO - ASAHI MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO. SAID MONDAY IT WILL BECOME A MANAGER OF INSUROPE, AN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF INSURANCE COMPANIES, IN MAY NEXT YEAR, THE FIRST SUCH MOVE BY A JAPANESE INSURER.

IT PLANS AT THE SAME TIME TO FORM A TIE-UP WITH A WEST GERMAN REINSURANCE COMPANY, MUNICH REINSURANCE, IN STOCK INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT AND WILL SET UP A REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN FRANKFURT.

THE MOVES ARE INTENDED TO STRENGTHEN ITS OPERATIONS IN EUROPE WHERE JAPANESE COMPANIES ARE SEEKING TO ESTABLISH THEMSELVES AHEAD OF THE PLANNED MARKET INTEGRATION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY IN 1992.

THE BRUSSELS-BASED INSUROPE IS A 48-MEMBER GROUP IN WHICH EACH COMPANY UNDERTAKES INSURANCE INVOLVING FOREIGN COMPANIES OPERATING IN ITS COUNTRY.

IN THE PARTNERSHIP WITH MUNICH REINSURANCE, ASAHI WILL ALSO SEND TRAINEES TO THE WEST GERMAN FIRM AS WELL AS JOINTLY CONSIGNING MARK-DENOMINATED STOCK INVESTMENT TO THE FRANKFURT-BASED DRESDNER BANK.

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#90260k0020 09/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
BANGKOK (SEPT. 17) KYODO - A PASSENGER TRAIN BOUND FOR BANGKOK ON MONDAY MORNING COLLIDED WITH A GOODS TRAIN AT A SUBURBAN STATION, INJURING MORE THAN 20 PASSENGERS, SIX OF THEM SERIOUSLY, THE STATE RAILWAY OF THAILAND SAID.

A TELEVISION STATION, HOWEVER, IN A REPORT AT MIDDAY, SAID THE ACCIDENT INJURED 68, EIGHT OF THEM SERIOUSLY.

THE ACCIDENT TOOK PLACE AT AROUND 7 A.M. AT CHIENG RAAK STATION, 37 KILOMETERS NORTH OF BANGKOK'S CENTRAL STATION, ACCORDING TO THE STATE RAILWAY'S STATEMENT.

THE STATEMENT SAID THE COLLISION OCCURRED BECAUSE THE PASSENGER TRAIN, WHICH CAME FROM THE NORTHEASTERN REGION, IGNORED A WARNING SIGNAL AND RAN INTO THE CARGO TRAIN WHICH WAS SWITCHING INTO A SIDING AT THE STATION.

FOUR CARS OF THE GOODS TRAIN AND TWO CARS OF THE PASSENGER TRAIN WERE DERAILED THE STATEMENT SAID.

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#90260k0025 09/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
OSAKA (SEPT. 17) KYODO - HITACHI ZOSEN CORP. AND THE SOUTH KOREAN FIRM DAEWOO CORP. HAVE RECEIVED A JOINT 12 BILLION WON (ABOUT 2.4 BILLION YEN) ORDER FROM

THE KOREAN CITY OF TAEGU TO BUILD AN INCINERATOR, HITACHI ZOSEN OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

THE FACILITY WILL HAVE A DAILY CAPACITY OF PROCESSING 200 TONS OF GARBAGE.

INSTALLATION IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN LATE AUGUST 1992. HITACHI ZOSEN AND DAEWOO ALSO RECEIVED A SIMILAR JOINT ORDER FROM THE CITY OF SEOUL IN 1987.

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#90260k0029 09/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 17) KYODO - BUOYANT DOMESTIC DEMAND BOOSTED AUTO PRODUCTION BY TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. BY 17.9 PERCENT IN AUGUST FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 292,780 VEHICLES, A RECORD FOR THE MONTH, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID MONDAY.

TOYOTA'S BRISK PERFORMANCE WAS IN CONTRAST WITH THAT OF ITS CLOSEST RIVAL, NISSAN MOTOR CO., WHOSE PRODUCTION DIPPED 1.3 PERCENT FROM THE YEAR-EARLIER LEVEL TO 168,929 VEHICLES, MAINLY DUE TO SAGGING EXPORTS, THE SOURCES SAID.

DOMESTIC SALES BY TOYOTA SURGED 20.2 PERCENT FROM THE YEAR BEFORE TO 141,874 VEHICLES, WHILE THOSE BY NISSAN, THE NO. 2 AUTOMAKER IN JAPAN, ROSE 5.1 PERCENT TO 82,238 VEHICLES.

TOYOTA'S SHARE IN THE DOMESTIC MARKET INCREASED 2.9 PERCENTAGE POINTS TO 39.8 PERCENT, WHILE IN CONTRAST, NISSAN'S SHARE DROPPED 1.4 POINTS TO 23.1 PERCENT, THE FIFTH CONSECUTIVE MONTHLY DECLINE.

THE SOURCES SAID NISSAN'S PERFORMANCE REFLECTS ITS APPARENT DIFFICULTY IN BOOSTING PRODUCTION TO KEEP UP WITH GROWING DEMAND.

TOYOTA RETAINED AN EDGE OVER NISSAN IN OVERSEAS MARKETS AS WELL. IT EXPORTED 128,986 VEHICLES IN AUGUST, UP 1.0 PERCENT, WHILE NISSAN'S SHIPMENTS PLUNGED 16.6 PERCENT TO 69,912 VEHICLES.

OVERSEAS PRODUCTION BY TOYOTA JUMPED 35.0 PERCENT TO 62,286 VEHICLES, WHILE THAT BY NISSAN WAS DOWN 3.0 PERCENT TO 47,225 VEHICLES.

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#90260k0030 09/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 17) KYODO - THE HEAD OF THE SOUTH KOREAN OBSERVER MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS HYUN HONG CHOO INDICATED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT MAY APPLY FOR UNILATERAL ENTRY INTO THE U.N. THIS YEAR, SOUTH KOREA'S YONHAP NEWS AGENCY REPORTED MONDAY.

THE YONHAP REPORT, DETAILED NEW YORK, QUOTED HYUN AS SAYING SUNDAY THAT "THE GOVERNMENT HAS YET TO DECIDE WHETHER TO FILE AN APPLICATION THIS YEAR OR LATER BUT WE AT THE U.N. ARE READY WHATEVER THE GOVERNMENT'S DECISION IS."

SOUTH KOREA WOULD HAVE TO CHOOSE AN INDEPENDENT ROAD TO THE UNITED NATIONS IF IT FAILS TO REACH AN AGREEMENT WITH NORTH KOREA, HYUN WAS QUOTED AS SAYING.

BUT HE REPORTEDLY ADDED THAT IT IS MOST DESIRABLE TO SETTLE THE U.N. MEMBERSHIP ISSUE THROUGH AN INTER-KOREAN AGREEMENT.

THE GOVERNMENT IN SEOUL HAS ARGUED FOR UNILATERAL OR SIMULTANEOUS ENTRY INTO THE U.N. FOR BOTH KOREAS, WHILE PYONGYANG HAS INSISTED THAT THEY SHOULD SHARE A SINGLE SEAT IN THE WORLD BODY.

DURING TALKS IN SEOUL ON SEPTEMBER 5 AND 6, THE PRIME MINISTERS OF THE TWO KOREAS AGREED TO CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE U.N. MEMBERSHIP ISSUE.

ON SEPTEMBER 12, THE TWO SIDES ALSO AGREED TO HOLD WORKING-LEVEL TALKS ON THE MATTER IN THE TRUCE VILLAGE OF PANMUNJOM.

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#90260k0031 09/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 17) KYODO - NEC CORP. HAS DEVELOPED WHAT IT CLAIMS TO BE THE WORLD'S FIRST OPTICAL REGENERATOR FOR PRACTICAL USE THAT CAN TRANSMIT 10 GIGABITS OF INFORMATION PER SECOND, EQUIVALENT TO MORE THAN 50 ENGLISH-LANGUAGE BIBLES, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

THE NEW OPTICAL REGENERATOR WILL AID MOVES TOWARD THE INSTITUTION OF A NEXT-GENERATION BROADBAND DIGITAL NETWORK TO MEET POTENTIAL DEMAND FOR HIGH-DEFINITION TELEVISION BROADCASTING AND TELECONFERENCING, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE REGENERATOR HAS EXTERNAL MODULATION AND AMPLIFICATION OPERATIONS AS WELL AS RESHAPING, RETIMING, AND REGENERATING OPTICAL/ELECTRONIC/OPTICAL SIGNALS.

THE LONG-DISTANCE OPTICAL DATA TRANSMISSION EQUIPMENT ALLOWS FOR A 400 PERCENT INCREASE IN TRANSMISSION CAPACITY OVER THE PRESENTLY DEVELOPED 2.4 GIGABIT SYSTEMS, AND PRODUCES LESS WAVE DISTORTION, WHILE GUARANTEEING OPTICAL POWER FOR THE RECEIPT OF INFORMATION, THEY SAID.

IN 1988, THE INTERNATIONAL TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (CCITT), HEADQUARTERED IN PARIS, RECOMMENDED AN INTERNATIONAL STANDARD FOR SYNCHRONOUS DIGITAL HIERARCHY FOR OPTICAL TRANSMISSION EQUIPMENT WITH A MAXIMUM SPEED OF 2.4 GIGABITS.

THE CCITT IS AN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION WHICH SETS STANDARDS AND PROTOCOLS GOVERNING THE FORMAT AND TIMING OF SENDING DATA OVER COMMUNICATIONS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT.

THE COMPANY PLANS TO HAVE THE EQUIPMENT READY FOR COMMERCIAL USE IN ABOUT

THREE YEARS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE RESULTS OF THE BREAKTHROUGH WERE TO BE ANNOUNCED AT THE 16TH EUROPEAN OPTICAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE IN AMSTERDAM ON MONDAY AND THE INSTITUTE OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION ENGINEERS IN HIROSHIMA ON OCTOBER 1, THEY SAID.

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#90260k0073 09/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 17) KYODO - THE GOVERNMENT HAS PROPOSED THAT TARIFFS ON SOME 2,200 INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS BE SCRAPPED IN LINE WITH THE MULTILATERAL TRADE TALKS UNDER THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT) BEING HELD IN GENEVA, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

TARIFFS ON ABOUT ONE THIRD OF MANUFACTURED GOODS, INCLUDING TELEVISIONS, VIDEOTAPE RECORDERS, AND MOST INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY AND MACHINE TOOLS WILL BE ELIMINATED, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE HIT LIST ALSO INCLUDES CHEMICAL PRODUCTS LIKE FERTILIZERS, GLASS, FILM, AND RUBBER PRODUCTS, THEY SAID.

THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA HAVE ALREADY ANNOUNCED PLANS TO ABOLISH TARIFFS ON SOME 1,000 MUTUALLY AGREED ITEMS.

THE U.S. LIST INCLUDES STEEL, CHEMICALS, AND LUMBER PRODUCTS, WHILE CANADA HAS TARGETED TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, CHEMICALS, AND MARINE PRODUCTS.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY MINISTER KABUN MUTO ANNOUNCED THE PLAN AT THE RECENT MEETING OF THE ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION (APEC) GROUP IN VANCOUVER.

THE FINAL LIST ITEMS SUBJECT TO TARIFF ELIMINATION WILL DEPEND ON MUTUAL AGREEMENT REACHED AT THE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE AVERAGE TARIFF IMPOSED BY JAPAN ACCOUNTED FOR 3.4 PERCENT OF THE IMPORT VALUE IN 1988, ACCORDING TO THE FINANCE MINISTRY. BUT JAPAN VIRTUALLY ABOLISHED TARIFFS ON SOME 1,000 ITEMS LAST APRIL WITHOUT REPORTING THE CUTS TO THE GATT. THE MOVE LOWERED THE AVERAGE RATIO OF TARIFFS TO IMPORTS TO SLIGHTLY ABOVE 3 PERCENT.

AMONG THE 2,200 PRODUCTS THAT ARE ON THE NEW TARIFF CUT LIST ARE A NUMBER OF THE PRODUCTS INCLUDED IN THE 1,000 TARGETED IN APRIL.

IF TARIFFS ARE ELIMINATED ON ALL OF THE 2,200 PRODUCTS, JAPAN'S AVERAGE TARIFF ON INDUSTRIAL GOODS WILL ACCOUNT FOR LESS THAN 3 PERCENT OF THE IMPORT VALUE.

TARIFFS IMPOSED BY JAPAN, ALONG WITH SWEDEN AND OTHER SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES, WOULD THEN BE AMONG THE LOWEST FOR INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS, ACCORDING TO THE

MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY.

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#90260k0091 09/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
OSAKA (SEPT. 17) KYODO - DAICEL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES LTD. ON MONDAY ANNOUNCED AN AGREEMENT WITH CHEVRON RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY, A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF CHEVRON CORP. OF THE UNITED STATES, FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF STYRENE PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY.

DAICEL OFFICIALS SAID THE COMPANY WILL INTRODUCE TECHNOLOGY IN RELATION TO THE PRODUCTION OF GENERAL-PURPOSE POLYSTYRENE, HIGH IMPACT-REISTANCE POLYSTYRENE AND OTHER TYPES OF POLYSTYRENE, IN VIEW OF A HIGHLY PROMISING MARKET FOR STYRENE PLASTICS IN JAPAN.

UNDER THE CONTRACT, DAICEL WILL BUILD A 13 BILLION YEN STYRENE PLASTICS PLANT WITH AN ANNUAL CAPACITY OF 50,000 TONS AT HIMEJI IN HYOGO PREFECTURE, WHICH WILL BECOME OPERATIONAL BY THE FALL OF 1992.

FURTHER STYRENE PRODUCTS PLANTS WILL BE BUILT AT DAICEL HEADQUARTERS AND ENTERPRISES WITHIN ITS GROUP.

JAPAN'S DEMAND FOR STYRENE PLASTICS, CURRENTLY 1.2 MILLION TONS, IS ESTIMATED TO GROW BY 400,000 TONS WITHIN SEVERAL YEARS. DAICEL SAID ITS ANNUAL SALES TARGET IS 13 BILLION YEN.

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#90260k0110 09/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
BEIJING (SEPT. 17) KYODO - JAPAN AND CHINA AGREED MONDAY TO EXTEND THEIR CURRENT PRIVATE TRADE PACT FOR ANOTHER FIVE YEARS IN A MOVE AIMED AT REVIVING SHRINKING BILATERAL TRADE, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE AGREEMENT CAME IN A MEETING BETWEEN A VISITING JAPANESE BUSINESS MISSION, ORGANIZED BY THE JAPAN-CHINA ASSOCIATION ON ECONOMY AND TRADE, AND CHINA'S MINISTRY OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS AND TRADE, JAPANESE MISSION MEMBERS SAID.

THE BILATERAL TRADE PACT WAS ORIGINALLY SET FOR 1978-1985 AND THEN EXTENDED UNTIL 1990.

THE NEW ACCORD MAY BE SIGNED FORMALLY IN TOKYO AS EARLY AS LATE NOVEMBER, REPORTERS TRAVELING WITH THE 60-MEMBER BUSINESS MISSION WERE TOLD.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT, JAPAN WILL IMPORT 8.8 TO 9.3 MILLION TONS OF CHINESE CRUDE OIL A YEAR IN EXCHANGE FOR PLANT AND RELATED FACILITIES, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

BUT THE TWO SIDES LEFT OPEN HOW MUCH CHINESE COAL WILL BE IMPORTED BY JAPAN, THEY SAID.

CHINA HAS ASKED JAPAN TO BOOST ITS COAL IMPORTS BY ONE MILLION TONS OVER A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD FROM THE CURRENT 3.7 TO 4.1 MILLION TONS A YEAR.

CHINA WANTED AN EXTENSION OF THE CURRENT PACT TO SECURE A SOURCE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES, BUT THE JAPANESE PUT OFF A FORMAL DECISION DUE TO ECONOMIC SANCTIONS IMPOSED BY THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT FOLLOWING FOR THE TIANANMEN SQUARE INCIDENT IN JUNE LAST YEAR.

THE JAPANESE MISSION, LED BY RYOICHI KAWAI, CHAIRMAN OF KOMATSU LTD., A MAJOR JAPANESE MAKER OF CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY, IS ON A WEEKLONG VISIT HERE FOR TALKS WITH CHINESE OFFICIALS.

REGARDING CHINA'S IMPORT REGULATIONS ON SEVERAL INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS, THE JAPANESE PRESSED FOR A RELAXATION OF SUCH CONTROLS, BUT THE CHINESE ONLY AGREED TO DISCUSS THE MATTER IN DECEMBER, THE MISSION MEMBERS SAID.

"THE RULES ARE NOT INTENDED ONLY FOR THE JAPANESE," ONE CHINESE OFFICIAL WAS QUOTED AS SAYING.

CHINA SLAPPED TIGHER QUALITY INSPECTIONS LAST MAY ON IMPORTS OF NINE PRODUCTS, INCLUDING AUTOS AND MOTORCYCLES, WHICH THE JAPANESE SAY COULD EFFECTIVELY SHUT THE JAPANESE PRODUCTS OUT OF THE CHINESE MARKET.

THE JAPANESE MISSION ARRIVED ON SUNDAY WITH THE AIM OF ENDING THE IMPASSE IN BILATERIAL ECONOMIC TIES SINCE BEIJING'S MILITARY CRACKDOWN ON PRO-DEMOCRACY DEMONSTRATERS IN JUNE LAST YEAR.

PULLED DOWN BY THE JAPANESE ECONOMIC SANCTIONS, EXPORTS TO CHINA HAVE BEEN ON THE DECLINE, SHRINKING 41 PERCENT IN THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

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#90260k0112 09/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 17) KYODO - MAZDA MOTOR CORP. ON MONDAY ANNOUNCED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW TESTING FACILITY AT FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN, FOR LOCALLY PROCURED PARTS AS PART OF ITS PLAN TO PURCHASE MORE AUTOMOBILE COMPONENTS MADE IN THE UNITED STATES.

THE NEW FACILITY, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND ESTABLISHED IN THE U.S. BY MAZDA, ENABLES THE AUTOMAKER TO TEST AND EVALUATE SUCH PARTS WITHOUT HAVING TO SEND THEM TO JAPAN, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE 1.5 MILLION DOLLAR FACILITY INCLUDES THREE HYDRAULIC ACUTUATORS, AN ENVIRONMENTAL CHAMBER, AND AN ELECTRIC DYNAMIC SHAKER, ALL PURCHASED FROM U.S.

FIRMS.

SIX ENGINEERS HAVE BEEN NEWLY ADDED TO THE STAFF AT THE NEW FACILITY, TOTALING 45.

MAZDA HAS INCREASED ITS ANNUAL PURCHASES OF U.S. PARTS BY AN AVERAGE 30 PERCENT IN RECENT YEARS TO REACH 1.26 BILLION DOLLARS IN THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 1990.

THE NEW FACILITY IS LOCATED ADJACENT TO MAZDA MOTOR MANUFACTURING (USA) CORP., THE COMPANY'S U.S. PRODUCTION BASE.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 17) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei loses 532 points in very thin volume ... In London, the FTSE is off 10 points at midday. ... U.S. stocks in London are lower, led down by DIGITAL, which loses another point. ... The EXMI is off 1.14. ... The dollar is mixed. ... The long Treasury is priced to yield 9.03%. ... GENERAL MOTORS and the UNITED AUTO WORKERS union agreed to continue talks, working past Friday's strike deadline. The union's move marked only the second time ever that it put off a strike after the expiration of a Big Three pact. ... The UAL union group is likely to abandon its most recent $4.38 billion offer to acquire the airline company and is considering making a lower offer, according to people familiar with the group. The union group has ended its formal alliance with New York investment firm CONISTON PARTNERS. ... STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE has told its agents to stop accepting new customers in Pennsylvania.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

Federal budget negotiators resume talks at 10 a.m. today at Andrews Air Force Base. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT releases manufacturing and trade inventories and sales figures for July later today. The LABOR DEPARTMENT issues the August CONSUMER PRICE INDEX tomorrow, along with real earnings, and COMMERCE reports on the July merchandise trade balance. August housing starts are due out Wednesday from the COMMERCE DEPARTMENT. FED CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN testifies before the JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE on Wednesday. ... The FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION is likely to grant local telephone companies greater latitude to set prices.

FROM THE BULLS:

"The pessimism among money managers is as thick as can be," says PETER ANDERSON, president of IDS ADVISORY INC. in Minneapolis. "Even most of my associates are cautious. However, I don't share that feeling and I am looking to invest the remaining 7% of the $1 billion I manage. I don't think we are in a bear market. A bear market can be characterized by excess valuations, optimism and speculation. I don't see that. I see fear, pessimism, reasonable valuations and building liquidity." ("Investor's Daily", 9/17)

"This has been a significant bear market and you can't find a bull," says HARVEY EISEN, quickly adding that such a scenario means the time is near for a big up move. "I think that this is one of the great times in this business. We're not there yet, but this is how you make money in this business. This is what happened in '73 and '74 and it happened in '81 and '82 to a lesser extent. This is the time to get focused on being bullish. ... The sentiment figures are there, the pessimism is great, everyone has cash today. This is when you get bullish. This is the time to get bullish." ("Wall Street Week", 9/14)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The next 12 months could prove the most dangerous of the decade," cautions JAMES STACK at "Investech." "We not only have the ingredients for a bear market, but also a recession." Stack says panic selling will often coincide with a temporary bottom in the market, and he looks for a 2550-2700 sideways trading range in the short term. Stack expects a final low in the range of 1650-2150. (CNBC "World Business", 9/17)

"I think this market is going in only one direction for now, which is down, and it doesn't make too much difference which stock you are, you are going to get beat up in the process," says TED EGGERT, director of equities research at YAMAICHI INTERNATIONAL. "Generally speaking, good news is bad news and bad news is bad news." (CNBC's "Market Wrap-Up", 9/14)

"I suspect that we will see a traditional sell-off at some point in the next three quarters," says MARC PERKINS, the Florida-based money manager who has been bearish all year. "There will be a lot of blood in the Street. Then we will go right back on the merry-go-round again. Stocks will be great buys and you will be able to value them by traditional standards." ("Barron's", 9/17)

"I think we're in an old-fashioned bear market, not like the '87 variety that was quick and over in a short period of time," says LOU HOLLAND. "I think this bear market may look something like the one we had in '73 and '74. I think we're in a recession. I don't think the world yet has come to grips with it. ... I think the surprises will be on the downside, meaning that we are going to have a recession, it may not be as shallow as people think it is and I don't think that is currently in stock prices." ("Wall Street Week", 9/14)

STOCK MARKET:

Look for a New York opening at least 15 points lower this morning, says LEHMAN BROTHERS' MICHAEL BENSON from London this morning where U.S. stocks are down. "This would put us at 2550 which should provide some kind of support. ... People will be looking over their shoulders to see if the sellers are going to follow them down. My guess is they don't." (FNN "World Business Update", 9/17)

"The long-term picture is, on balance, a bearish one," says MARTIN PRING of the "Pring Market Review." Because of oversold conditions, he expects recent lows to hold for several weeks. But, says Pring, "The market will eventually move lower following erratic price activity." He warns against complacency in a face of a downward primary trend: "Surprises usually go in the direction of the primary trend." (CNBC "World Business", 9/17)

"Inflation is the single most negative variable for financial instruments," says A.C. MOORE, research director at ARGUS RESEARCH, "and the price of oil is the single most important element. It affects pricing for everything. Secondly, oil-price increases translate into diminished demand throughout the economy. There's lots of justification for being fixated on oil. It's not a phantom worry." (WSJ, 9/17)

"We're looking for a tradeable upside move after this low period, whatever it turns out to be, and that in turn followed by even lower lows," says PHILIP RETTEW, technical analyst at MERRILL LYNCH. "So this is best interpreted as a trading type market and people who overstay their welcome will pay the price," (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/14)

"I don't think it's a bear market, I think it's a reaction to an ongoing bull market," says FRANK CAPPIELLO of the current situation. "But no matter how you slice it, we've seen stocks go off by a third in the case of some technology stocks and even more in the case of stocks like some of the retailers. I think what we're hoping for is something that will turn the news. It has to be something in the

Persian Gulf or it has to be a drop in interest rates." ("Wall Street Week", 9/14)

"I think what's going on is we're in a bear market and would-be buyers are sitting on the sidelines and shorts are trying to manufacture" bad rumors, says BRUCE LUPATKIN of HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. ("Investor's Daily", 9/17)

HUGH JOHNSON of FIRST ALBANY CORP. says some stocks are attractively priced now, but that it is "extraordinarily difficult to recommend any stock in this climate because the risk has been raised several decibels. The Middle East situation makes it impossible to forecast with any certainty the outcome for the economy, inflation and interest rates." ("The Washington Post", 9/16)

"Wall Street tries to make things very simple," says AL GOLDMAN, director of market analysis at A.G. EDWARDS. "It's a one-note street. But if one makes the mistake of following that one note, you miss many critical factors. Admittedly, as with oil, the myopic view often works -- but only on a very short-term basis." (WSJ, 9/17)

STOCK TIPS:

ELLEN HARRIS, chief domestic investment officer of PAINEWEBBER mutual funds, suggests investors look at stocks whose ability to earn fatter profits aren't vulnerable to oil shocks. A favorite is WASTE MANAGEMENT, and biotechnology stocks such as CHIRON and GENETICS INSTITUTE. "Their growth isn't affected by the events going on" in the Middle East. (WSJ, 9/17)

Even though he thinks most stocks are in for further battering, TED EGGERT of YAMAICHI INTERNATIONAL sees good value in ATLANTIC RICHFIELD and EXXON. Moreover, he says some stocks are in an "insulated" category, listing PHILIP MORRIS and PEPSICO, and that there are "some special situations such as WASTE MANAGEMENT." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/14)

MARC PERKINS, head of PRIVATE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT and PERKINS, SMITH INC. brokerage, is bearish on the market overall, but finding what he believes are solid values in a number of stocks. His picks: BANKERS CORP., BANK OF BOSTON, BAYBANKS INC., CROWN CENTRAL PETROLEUM, DIAMOND SHAMROCK, DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS, GERBER SCIENTIFIC, HARMONIA BANCORP, JSB FINANCIAL, LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS, PLAINS PETROLEUM, SOUTHEAST BANKING, TIME WARNER PREFERRED D, TOTAL PETROLEUM and UNIVERSAL HEALTH REALTY. ("Barron's", 9/17)

"This is a market of momentum type plays, not of value orientation," says EUGENE PERONI JR. of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT. Showing very good momentum is TIDEWATER, an oil services company which made a new high on Friday. Peroni sees good support at 20-21 with breakaway upside potential of 25 or higher on a short-term basis. Peroni also likes SONAT. He says the natural gas company has support around 53 with 3 short-term potential to 58. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/17)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"I just don't see a case for the dollar bouncing," says DAVID HORNER, senior financial strategist at MERRILL LYNCH & CO. He predicts the dollar could fall

to 1.42 marks and 132 yen in coming months. (WSJ, 9/17)

A plunging dollar will have "damaging implications ... for U.S. financial markets," including stocks and bonds, says MARK CLIFFE, chief economist for NOMURA RESEARCH INSTITUTE in London. (WSJ, 9/17)

"Japanese investors are incredulous that the Fed could even be considering an easing move at a time when every other major central bank is considering tightening," says DAVID JONES, chief economist at AUBREY G. LANSTON & CO. He adds that foreign investors believe that the yield on the 30-year U.S. Treasury bond must rise a full percentage point or more from its current 9% level to be attractive. "The implication is that U.S. long-term rates must move significantly higher to remain competitive for a limited amount of global capital in the midst of a recession." (WSJ, 9/17)

"Even though economic conditions are weak, inflation is going up, and that is causing the Fed to slow down in lowering interest rates," says DONALD FINE, chief market analyst at the CHASE MANHATTAN BANK. "As a result, the Fed may be looking to the exchange rate mechanism to help the economy. The only thing I question is whether a depreciating dollar will have the economic impact it did in 1987. A depreciating dollar will have a much milder impact than it did two or three years ago, because the economy is a lot weaker now." (NYT, 9/17)

"The Fed faces an impossible trade-off between growth and inflation," says NEAL SOSS, chief economist for FIRST BOSTON CORP. He says the Fed probably will not make a move until some agreement is ready in the budget negotiations. ("Investor's Daily", 9/17)

RICHARD BERNER, a vice president and economist at SALOMON BROTHERS is concerned about the effect a further drop in the dollar would have on foreign capital flows into the United States. He says, "Foreign investors are losing patience with our ability to come to grips with our fiscal problems. With interest rates overseas higher than they are here and continuing to rise, we are starting to border on the edge of where foreign investors don't really seem to care about what our economic policies produce." (NYT, 9/17)

"With interest rates higher abroad, why would foreigners want to keep buying U.S. bonds?" asks NICHOLAS SARGEN, an international economist at SALOMON BROTHERS. And while "the dollar is cheap, our assets are unattractive to overseas investors because our interest rates are too low and our investment prospects stink." (WSJ, 9/17)

THE ECONOMY:

The retail sales report released Friday is "telling me that we entered a recession in July," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist for "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "I see the danger of a fairly severe recession right here. I think it comes out from these numbers on retail sales. ... Barring some very

satisfactory conclusion in the Mideast, I can see a rate of decline of maybe 2 1/2 percent in the last quarter of this year and the first quarter of next year. ... You've got a situation in which the economy is weakening and interest rates are rising and that's a toxic situation." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 9/14)

DONALD RATAJCZAK, director of the economic forecasting project at GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY, believes that a recession in the near future is inescapable. "Look at what happened in August: employment declined, consumer spending declined, industrial production declined. At some point when it looks and smells and acts like a duck, then what is it?" (WSJ, 9/17)

"The retail sales number shows the consumer is headed for a fall, and a pretty big one," says STEPHEN ROACH, an economist at MORGAN STANLEY. "The spending response we are seeing in the August numbers is a sign of what lies ahead, rather than an aberrational development." (NYT, 9/16)

"It is a very difficult environment," says LEWIS COLEMAN, vice chairman of BANKAMERICA CORP. "For planning purposes, we assume it shortly will be a recession environment. There is some debate, but we - and most businessmen - have to assume that." TERRANCE LARSEN, chairman of CORESTATES FINANCIAL CORP. in Philadelphia has a similar view. "Our economics department believes we will have a recession, starting about now," he says. "I agree with that and just about everyone I talk to believes that. I think it will be mild, [but] we have to worry about oil prices." ("The Washington Post", 9/17)

"If we're not in one [a recession] we're very close to it," says PETER RADFORD chief economist at NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANKCORP. "Even if we get down into real, real slow growth and the statistics fall short [of a technical recession] it will still feel like one." But LYNN REASER, senior economist at FIRST INTERSTATE BANKCORP in Los Angeles, concludes that while Friday's retail sales report shows "weakness in consumer spending ... it does not show a collapse at the retail level." ("Investor's Daily", 9/17)

"I wouldn't be surprised to see the [crude oil] prices on average over the longer term settle down below that price [$25 a barrel] but I think it's reasonable to do forecasts on $25 oil and help use that as a guiding light to translate into recommendations," says DOUG SULIMAN, president of ISLAND PARTNERS. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/14)

"I'd hoped to see 1990 as the year that the trade deficit improved. But that hope's gone. It's fizzled," says RICHARD TRAINER, senior economist at the BANK OF TOKYO in New York. (WSJ, 9/17)

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NORTH WHITE PLAINS, NY (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Fingermatrix, Inc. (NASDAQ: FINX) announced today that it will supply over 250 Video Mint(R) live finger

scanners to NBS Imaging Systems, Inc. (NBS) as part of a California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) computerized driver licensing system. The value of Fingermatrix' portion of the contract is approximately $350,000.

The California DMV contract calls for Fingermatrix Video Mint scanners to be installed at DMV locations statewide. Live scan fingerprints captured by the Mint (R) will be digitized and stored on a data base for retrieval and printing.

The VIDEO MINT is a compact, self-contained solid state fingerprint scanner module. The fingerprint image captured by the scanner is exceptionally high acuity and resolution, making it an ideal input device for a wide variety of identification applications such as driver licenses, passports, and national identity cards.

NBS supplies over 50 percent of the nations photo driver licenses and has specialized in the issuance and security of driver licenses since 1958. NBS has developed and introduced the first cost-effective, centrally processed digitized imaging system specifically designed for the issuance of driver licenses.

California is the first state to implement this new technology. This pioneering program is being watched by state motor vehicle bureaus nationwide.

Fingermatrix, Inc. supplies automated biometric fingerprint systems to the commercial, industrial, government, and law enforcement markets.

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MADISON HEIGHTS, MICH. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) has awarded its largest-ever paint facility contract, valued at over $200 million, to ABB Flakt Alpha. The contract is for complete design, fabrication installation and commissioning of the entire paint finishing facility at Ford's assembly plant in Oakville, Ontario, Canada. ABB Flakt will administer the contract, in part, through a joint venture arrangement with Fluor Daniel, Inc., Greenville, S.C.

The contract calls for ABB Flakt and Fluor Daniel's Automotive Group to provide all site work, engineering, fabrication, installation of all paint process equipment, conveyors, automation, building and facilities. They will also provide system start-up, maintenance and training. Engineering is under way in Fluor Daniel's Greenville, S.C., and Toronto offices, as well as Flakt Alpha and the joint venture's task force offices in Detroit. The new building will be constructed near an existing assembly plant for the Tempo/Topaz line.

ABB Flakt provides products and services for paint finishing systems for the automotive industry in 35 countries worldwide. Fluor Daniel, Inc., Fluor Corporation's (NYSE: FLR) principal subsidiary, is an international engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services company with more than 50 offices around the world. Jointly, the two companies provide a broader-based approach, offering added value in the supply of turnkey paint finishing facilities.

Construction will be managed by a task force utilizing combined expertise of both ABB Flakt and Fluor Daniel staff from the U.S.A. and Canada, in cooperation with the Ford engineering staff. The procurement establishes a single source of responsibility to help Ford realize maximum return on capital investment. It enables focused control of all engineering activities, scheduling, costs, information flow and organization. The Ford paint facility approximately 641,000 square feet, is expected to be completed by January 1992.

ABB Flakt Alpha is one of seven divisions of Atlanta-based ABB Flakt, Inc., the U.S. operation of the $2.8 billion Flakt Group. ABB Flakt, a member of the Asea Brown Boveri Group, serves the textile, pulp and paper, surface finishing electric utility, furniture, tobacco and general industries.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Garnet Resources Corporation (NASDAQ: GARN) today announced Chevron's commitment to drill a well on Garnet's block in Papua New Guinea and the issuance of new exploration licenses in Turkey.

Chevron has committed to drill the Kara 1X exploratory well on the northern portion of Garnet's 1 million-acre Petroleum Prospecting License 77. The Kara well, expected to commence early October 1990, will be 25 miles southeast of three Chevron-operated new oil fields on an adjoining license, and will be within two miles of an oil pipeline proposed for construction in 1991. Chevron recently completed a 262-mile seismograph survey on the southern portion of License 77. Under the terms of a farmout agreement, Chevron will earn 25 percent working interest in License 77 by drilling the Kara 1X well and will have successive options to drill two additional test wells to earn up to 57.5 percent working interest. If Chevron fulfills all obligations and exercises all options, Garnet will retain a 17 percent working interest in License 77.

New exploration licenses covering 735,000 acres in the Egirdir area in the Taurus Mountains of southwestern Turkey have been issued to Garnet's subsidiary, Garnet Turkey Corporation. Exploration work on the new block

will initially include geologic, air photo and seismic work. Garnet has a 100 percent working interest and must drill a well within three years or drop the licenses. If production is established, a 20- year lease would be issued.

Garnet is engaged primarily in international oil and gas exploration activities.

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#90260p5027 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Xsirius Superconductivity Inc. (NASDAQ: XSCIA, PHLX: XRS), a Scottsdale firm engaged in commercializing high-temperature superconductors, announced recently that Dr. Guy Deutscher has agreed to serve as a key consultant for the company in its international effort to bring high-temperature superconductors to the marketplace.

Deutscher is one of the key innovators of the important superconducting device -- the "SQUID," or "Superconducting Quantum Interference Device" and holds a patent for this device. SQUIDs are used to detect extremely weak magnetic fields and are potentially useful in such applications as submarine detection and in measuring subtle electromagnetic signals from the brain.

Deutscher has been professor of physics at Tel Aviv University since 1973. He received his Ph.D. in physics in 1966 from the University of Paris-Sud, France, and has since established a reputation as a world- renowned authority in the field of superconductivity.

Deutscher is the author of more than 140 scientific publications and is credited with a number of technological advances including the physics and application of granular superconductors. He is a member of the editorial boards of "Thin Solid Films" and the Journal of Superconductivity and a member of a number of prestigious international scientific committees.

Dr. Gerald Huth, president and CEO of the publicly-traded company said, "Dr. Deutscher's broad experience, knowledge and reputation will greatly assist Xsirius both in the U.S. and Israel in its development of fundamental new applications for high-temperature superconductors."

Xsirius' overall strategy is to have access to a broad range of materials development in high-temperature superconductors from both internally developed sources such as its advanced thin film facility in Israel and from laboratories, universities and other groups around the world. The company also sponsors a program of aggressive, innovative, in- house research and development using the talent of some of the world's brightest scientists.

CONTACT: Gerald C. Huth, Ph.D., president and CEO of Xsirius Superconductivity Inc., 602-991-3488, or Joseph Diaz Jr. of Carl Thompson Associates, 602-946-6688, for Xsirius Superconductivity Inc.

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VIRAL TECHNOLOGIES' HGP-30 AIDS VACCINE SHOWS NEW IMPORTANCE

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - French and U.S. researchers report in today's issue of the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (USA) ("PNAS") that the HGP-30 AIDS vaccine elicits the production of CD8+ killer T-cells which recognize the same targets as CD8+ killer T-cells obtained from HIV-infected individuals.

CD8+ killer T-cells are the major defense mechanism by which the body eliminates virally-infected cells. This scientific paper concludes that the p17 "core" based HGP-30 AIDS vaccine "may be an important candidate subunit vaccine either alone or in combination with other subunit vaccines ... against HIV infection."

This report is the first peer-reviewed scientific publication that documents the production of CD8+ killer T-cells in response to an AIDS vaccine. It has been known for many years that the major defense mechanism by which virally-infected cells are killed and eliminated from the body is by the development of CD8+ killer T-cells. It is now recognized that this is true for AIDS infection as well. Recent publications about two envelope-based candidate AIDS vaccines have demonstrated the production of CD4+ killer T-cells, but not the production of CD8+ killer T-cells. CD8+ killer T-cells are able to kill all AIDS infected cells throughout the body, whereas CD4+ killer T-cells are restricted, and able to kill only AIDS infected immune system cells. Furthermore, the presence of CD8+ killer T-cells has been found to be associated with a greater longevity of HIV-infected individuals.

This renewed emphasis on killer T-cells is a recognition of the fact that antibodies alone cannot kill an AIDS infected cell. Yet infected cells are factories for the production of new AIDS viruses. In order to stabilize the disease, the infected cells need to be destroyed before the virus overcomes the immune system. CD8+ killer T-cells are designed to do just that.

The published data comes in advance of expanded trials of HGP-30 which are to begin this fall at the University of Southern California Medical Center and at San Francisco General Hospital.

The authors of the PNAS paper and their affiliations are as follows: 1.) Drs. Ammar Achour, Odile Picard and Daniel Zagury, Department of Physiologie Cellulaire, Universite Pierre et Marie Curie, U.E.R. 61, 4 Place Jussieu (Tour

32), 75005 Paris.

2.) Drs. Prem S. Sarin and Robert C. Gallo, Laboratory of Tumor Cell Biology, National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, Md. 20892.

3.) Drs. Paul H. Naylor and Allan L. Goldstein, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, The George Washington University Medical Center, 2300 I St. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037.

The worldwide rights to the HGP-30 AIDS vaccine are owned by Viral Technologies, Inc., a joint venture of CEL-SCI Corporation (NASDAQ: CELI) and Alpha 1 Biomedicals, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALBM).

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#90260p5034 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Capital Holding Corporation (NYSE: CPH) today announced that it will reactivate its common stock repurchase program and may acquire up to 1,450,000 shares. In addition, the company will purchase up to 550,000 shares through its employee pension fund.

"At today's market prices, our stock is undervalued and repurchase gives us the opportunity to create added shareholder value," said Irving W. Bailey II, Capital Holding's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

"For the first six months of 1990, operating income was up 18 percent per share. Our performance continues to be very strong and our emphasis on quality in our investment portfolio continues," Bailey said.

The company reported that there had been no increase in either problem mortgage loans or credit card losses from the favorable levels at which they had run during the first six months. The company added that there were no defaults in its high-quality bond portfolio, which averages an "AA" rating.

In December 1987, Capital Holding's board of directors approved an increase in the maximum number of shares which the company may repurchase and increased the total amount of funds authorized for repurchase. The corporation suspended its common stock repurchase program in 1988 after acquiring approximately 11.5 million shares.

Capital Holding Corporation is one of the nation's five largest shareholder-owned life insurance organizations, with $15.4 billion in assets and $45.5 billion of life insurance in force.

The corporation offers a broad range of financial services and products

through agents, direct-marketing media, investment professionals and retail locations. Its common stock is listed on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the ticker symbol CPH; its preferred stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CPHF.

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#90260p5035 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Claire's Stores (NYSE: CLE) today announced the promotion of Ira D. Kaplan to chief financial officer. He will retain his former title of treasurer.

"Ira Kaplan is a dedicated professional whose considerable talents have contributed to our success," stated Rowland Schaefer, Claire's chairman and president.

Claire's Stores, Inc., the nation's premier retailer specializing in one-stop shopping for women's fashion accessories, currently owns and operates 898 stores in 47 states, primarily under the names "Claire's Boutiques," "Topkapi" and "Dara Michelle."

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#90260p5039 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Wyse Technology today launched its new top-of-the-line personal computer, the DECISION 486/33E based on the Intel 33MHz i486 microprocessor, and an entry-level PC incorporating the Intel 386SX chip. Wyse also announced a new WyseCare service and support program that features free technical support and 24- hour electronic bulletin board service for end users. In another action, the company said it reduced prices on Aug. 15 of its 286 and 386-based PC models.

The powerful new high-end computer is the first product co-developed by Wyse's personal computer and advanced systems business units. Its advanced features include a 64-bit system bus twice as powerful as more common PC architectures. The computer is targeted at PC local area network and multiuser environments.

"What Wyse offers in the DECISION 486/33E that the competition doesn't is technological strengths from both the PC and advanced system sides of the company," said Bill Seymour, vice president of Wyse's personal computer and graphics business. "Wyse's ability to leverage strengths across its PC, advanced systems and terminal product lines is something you'll see again and again in announcements from all three product groups."

The entry-level DECISION 38SX/16S is a sleek, low-profile computer that offers advanced graphics support integrated into the system. It is available in diskless, floppy and hard disk versions and is targeted at networking, general-purpose and home office applications. Pricing and Availability

The U.S. suggested list price for the DECISION 486/33E is $8,999 for a single 5.25-inch 1.2MB or 3.5-inch 1.44 MB diskette system; $11,999 for a 300MB ESDI hard disk system; and $13,399 for a 660MB ESDI hard disk system. It will be available to U.S. Wyse resellers in November.

Wyse Technology is a leading independent supplier of microprocessor- based products, which include terminals, IBM PC-compatible computers, monitors and multiuser systems. The company sells its products through customers that add value, such as distributors, value added resellers and original equipment manufacturers. Headquartered in San Jose, Wyse operates sales offices across the United States and in Canada, Australia, Hong Kong and Western Europe.

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#90260p5043 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Westcott Communications (NASDAQ-NMS: WCTV), the nation's largest business television firm, has agreed to purchase G&J Marketing Inc., a Detroit-based television production firm serving the automotive industry.

This acquisition will expand Westcott Communications' existing business television capabilities, particularly in the automotive industry.

"For many industries and corporations, business television is rapidly becoming the medium of choice for dissemination of relevant, timely information," said Carl Westcott, founder and chairman of Westcott Communications. "The immediacy and cost effectiveness of satellite networks make business television ideal for training and employee communications."

Westcott Communications, a pioneer in satellite television networks, provides business television services to the automotive industry through two of its operating units. The Automotive Satellite Television Network (ASTN) broadcasts training, news and information programming to more than 5,000 car dealerships in North America. The Business Television Services Division provides customized satellite television services to Fortune 1000 companies, including automobile manufacturers.

G&J Marketing currently produces business television programming for General Motors Acceptance Corp. (GMAC), GM Photographic, Chrysler Corp. and other

Detroit-based Fortune 500 companies.

In addition to ASTN and the Business Television Services Division, Westcott Communications operates the Law Enforcement Television Network (LETN), which broadcasts training, news and information programming to more than 1,800 law enforcement agencies. The company recently announced the 1991 launch of the Professional Security Television Network (PSTN), which will broadcast to professional security managers, specialists and officers. Westcott Communications is headquartered in Dallas. The company's stock is publicly traded under the symbol WCTV and is listed on the NASDAQ national market system.

CONTACT: Alan Ulman or Mary Ann DeMuth, both of Hill and Knowlton, 404-688-7820, for Westcott Communications

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#90260p5045 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NESS-ZIONA, ISRAEL (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - InterPharm Laboratories Limited (NASDAQ: IPLLF) announced today that it has been notified that The Ares-Serono Group has withdrawn its offer to acquire the publicly held shares of InterPharm, an Israel-based company of which Ares-Serono owns approximately 76 percent.

Ares-Serono advised that at a meeting of its board of directors on Sept. 15, 1990, that board resolved to withdraw its previously announced proposal to seek shareholder approval of an arrangement which could have resulted in Ares-Serono becoming 100 percent owner of InterPharm.

InterPharm Laboratories Limited is a research-based developer, manufacturer and marketer of biological pharmaceuticals.

CONTACT: Joan B. Hass of Peabody & Brown, 617-345-1000, for The Ares-Serono Group

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#90260p5049 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENCINO, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Nu-Med Inc. (NASDAQ: NUMS) today reported pre-tax and net income of $958,000, equal to $.09 a share, for the first fiscal quarter ended July 31, 1990, after provision for income taxes and an extraordinary item of $373,000. In the corresponding prior year period, pre-tax and net income amounted to $1,044,000, or $.10 a share, after provision for income taxes and an extraordinary item of $407,000. The extraordinary item in both periods consisted of a tax benefit resulting from tax loss carry forwards.

Net revenues for the current first quarter declined to $66,253,000 from

$73,933,000, due to the sale of Pembroke Pines General Hospital, which occurred in the fourth quarter of last year. In the prior year's first quarter net revenues for Pembroke Pines were approximately $11 million.

As a result of the Pembroke Pines sale, which was a part of the company's ongoing financial restructuring program, interest and expense and total debt of the company was reduced, with a consequent decline in interest expense for the quarter of $1,871,000. Subsequent to the close of the first quarter, Nu-Med obtained additional long-term mortgage financing which resulted in the release of $4.3 million of restricted cash, a $6.4 million reduction of existing mortgage indebtedness, and the repurchase of $11.4 million face amount of the 1995 series of the company's Senior Subordinated Sinking Fund Debentures. Sinking fund requirements on this series of debentures for 1992 and 1993 have now been satisfied.

The company said it expects to realize an extraordinary gain related to the debenture repurchase which will be included in its financial results for the second quarter ending Oct. 31, 1990.

Nu-Med Inc. is a nationwide health care services company focusing its operations in the areas of acute and psychiatric care.

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#90260p5050 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Automotive Corp. (NASDAQ: PKRA), a leading provider of pollution reduction systems for internal combustion engines, announced today that Timothy L. Strader has been elected president and chief operating officer effective Oct. 4, 1990.

Parker Automotive Corp. (PAC) manufactures products called CarbonClean, which clean fuel systems, reduce emissions and increase fuel economy in engines of all sizes. CarbonClean is currently sold in more than 50 countries.

Strader is a longtime Orange County resident with impressive business credentials. After receiving his law degree from UCLA in 1963, Strader was engaged in private practice in the area of corporate law culminating in a position as partner of a major law firm. In 1972 he joined the Koll Co. as executive vice president, general counsel and member of the board of directors. The Koll Co. is a major west coast development firm specializing in office and industrial real estate. Strader was one of 10 Koll partners and today remains a partner in the portfolio of real estate developments undertaken by the Koll Co.

In 1977, Strader and four other individuals founded Commerce Bank. Commerce

Bank is a California bank located in Newport Beach, Calif. The bank currently has several branch operations and total assets in excess of $230 million, and is the leading independent bank in Orange County. Strader has served as chairman of the board of Commerce Bank since its inception.

In 1983, Strader founded the Legacy Companies with the goal of developing first class real estate projects in Southern California. During the past seven years, the Legacy Companies have planned, built, leased and operated approximately two million square feet of commercial and residential projects.

In addition to Strader's significant business experience, he has been very active in community and civic activities in the county. For example, he is a member of the board of trustees of the Orange County Performing Arts Center where he served as president and chief executive officer in 1985 and 1986, during its opening. He is also past president of the Industrial League of Orange County. In addition to being a founder of this organization, he served on the board from 1970 to 1981, served as president in 1982 and is now serving as a lifetime honorary director.

Strader is also a member of the board of directors and executive committee of the Irvine Community Foundation, a member of the board of trustees of the University of California at Irvine Foundation and is active in numerous other philanthropic and charitable organizations.

"We are delighted to have been able to secure the services of Strader as a member of our management team," said Michael E. Parker, chairman and chief executive officer of Parker Automotive Corp. He added, "Over the past three years, Parker Automotive has experienced tremendous growth and is in the process of establishing itself as a worldwide company of significant stature. The time has come for the addition of an individual to the team who is capable of guiding the company as it continues to grow and who can assist management with professional direction," Parker continued.

Strader was recently elected to the board of directors of Parker Automotive Corp. and has been an unofficial advisor to the company for a little over a year, as well as an investor in the company.

Parker went on to say, "It is not common that an individual of Tim's caliber is available to join a growing company. I am confident that the addition of Tim Strader to our staff gives us the management expertise needed to grow this company into the potential which we all believe exists for it."

Strader stated, "I have been following Parker Automotive for some time and am delighted at the opportunity to become involved. It is an exciting company with a patented product that should put it in the forefront of corporate achievers over the next five years. I am looking forward to doing all I can to help the company realize its potential," added Strader.

Parker Automotive Corp. is headquartered in Costa Mesa. Manufacturing facilities are in Fountain Valley, Calif., and sales offices are maintained worldwide.

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#90260p5053 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Attorney General Ernie Preate Jr. today sued a nationwide private mail box rental business, charging that the business is misleading the public by marketing its mail boxes as "suites."

Preate said the suit, filed in Commonwealth Court by his Bureau of Consumer Protection, alleges that Mail Boxes Etc. USA Inc. of San Diego, Calif., is violating Pennsylvania's Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law.

Mail Boxes Etc. is a franchisor of commercial mail receiving agencies, including 35 in Pennsylvania, which offer such services as rental of private mail boxes; postage, stationery and packaging supplies, and facsimile and copying services, according to the suit.

The suit alleges that Mail Boxes Etc. offers private mail boxes for rent to businesses and individuals and gives customers the opportunity to identify the boxes as "suites" or "apartments."

"A private mail box is not a suite or apartment according to the commonly accepted meaning of those terms," Preate said. "When a business uses the term suite in its address, consumers reasonably believe that the business is located at the listed address.

"Unscrupulous businesses can mislead consumers with such terms. And consumers can be frustrated when they try to visit a business that lists its address as a suite, only to discover that the suite is nothing more than a pigeonhole at a private mail service."

Deputy Attorney General Nora A. Dowd of the Bureau of Consumer Protection's Philadelphia office said one of the franchisees, M.J. Forcina and Associates Inc., which operates Mail Boxes Etc. at 892 W. Street Road, Warminster, also is named as a defendant in the suit.

She said the bureau received a consumer complaint about a business that uses the term suite for a mail box it rents from the Mail Boxes Etc. in Warminster.

The suit asks the court to order the defendants to stop marketing their mail boxes as suites or apartments and to notify their customers to stop using those terms in their addresses.

The suit also seeks civil penalties of $1,000 for each violation of the Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law.

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#90260p5055 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Bancinsurance Corporation announced today that its common stock is now trading on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System (NASDAQ) under the symbol BCIS. The decision to seek listing on NASDAQ followed several years as a publicly traded company with a limited market for its common stock. There were more than 1,200 shareholders of Bancinsurance common stock at year end 1989. There are currently 5,769,042 common shares outstanding.

Si Sokol, president, commented, "We are pleased to be represented on NASDAQ and look forward to developing a broader market for Bancinsurance's common stock. This reinforces our efforts to seek ways to enhance long-term shareholder value."

On June 30, 1990, Bancinsurance had $7.6 million in total assets and $4.0 million in shareholders' equity. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported revenue of $2,075,867 compared to $1,796,323 for the same period last year, an increase of 15.6 percent. Net income rose to $337,755 for the first six months of 1990 versus $225,592 in 1989. On an earnings per share basis, these results represent six cents and four cents for the first two quarters of 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Bancinsurance Corporation, headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, is a specialty insurance holding company primarily engaged, through its casualty insurance subsidiary, Ohio Indemnity Company, underwriting "Ultimate Loss Insurance." This insurance protects banks and other lenders against the risk arising from theft or damage to certain loan collateral where the borrower has failed to secure and maintain adequate insurance coverage. The company also provides a surety bond program for a national firm that provides certain services to governmental and nonprofit entities.

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CINCINNATI (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The E.W. Scripps Company (NASDAQ: EWSCA) today released its monthly revenue and statistical summary for August 1990. Consolidated revenues increased 5.5 percent in the month. Broken down by

operating division, publishing revenues increased 2.9 percent, broadcasting revenues increased 10.5 percent and cable television revenues were up 15.6 percent.

The E.W. Scripps Company is a diversified media company which operates 19 daily newspapers, nine television stations, five radio stations and cable television systems with 586,000 basic subscribers. The company is also a worldwide syndicator and licensor of news features and comics, including "Peanuts" and "Garfield."

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY
Unaudited Revenue and Statistical Summary
Period: August
Report date: September 17, 1990

	August (A) 1990	1989	Pct Change
REVENUE (000,000s)			
Local	$20.5	$19.7	4.1
Classified	15.4	15.5	(0.6)
National	2.5	2.4	4.2
Preprints	5.3	5.7	(7.0)
Newspaper advertising	43.7	43.3	0.9
Circulation	11.5	11.3	1.8
Other publishing(B)	15.6	14.2	9.9
PUBLISHING	70.8	68.8	2.9
BROADCASTING	19.0	17.2	10.5
CABLE TELEVISION	17.0	14.7	15.6
OTHER	1.2	1.7	(29.4)
CONSOLIDATED	$108.0	$102.4	5.5
Newspaper ad inches (000s)			
Local	850	855	(0.6)
Classified	1,019	1,022	(0.3)
National	56	56	0.0
Full run ROP	1,925	1,933	(0.4)
Part run ROP	118	97	21.6
Total	2,043	2,030	0.6
Cable TV basic subs (000s)			
Sacramento, CA	183.1	164.6	
Other systems	402.8	373.4	
Total	585.9	538.0	

(A) -- August 1990 had one more Friday and one less Tuesday than August 1989.

CONTACT: Rich Boehne of The E.W. Scripps Company, 513-977-3825

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#90260p5062 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Bond Brewing Holdings Limited (BBH) today announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Dimola Pty. Ltd. (Dimola), has extended its offer to purchase up to 90 percent of the principal amount outstanding of 12-5/8 percent extendable subordinated debentures of BBH until 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Friday, Sept. 21, 1990. Debentures tendered pursuant to the offer may be withdrawn at any time prior to the expiration of the offer, and if not sooner purchased by Dimola pursuant to the offer, at any time after 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on the third business day following the expiration date. The depositary has advised BBH and Dimola that, as of 12:00 noon, New York City time, on Friday, Sept. 14, 1990, approximately 8.5 percent of the outstanding principal amount of debentures had been tendered to the depositary pursuant to the tender offer.

BBH disclosed that Dimola presently intends to distribute a sixth supplement to its offer to purchase and consent solicitation to holders of the BH debentures. Such sixth supplement will contain disclosure, and be accompanied by documentation to be executed by tendering debentureholders, relating to, among other things, certain releases to be exchanged with the syndicate of senior lenders to BBH in connection with ongoing litigation among the debentureholders, such lenders and the trustee for the BBH debentures. Execution of such documentation, and consent by tendering debentureholders to execution of related documentation by the trustee, will be required conditions to the tender of debentures pursuant to Dimola's offer.

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RICHMOND, Va. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Circuit City Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CC) today announced record sales and net earnings for the second quarter ended August 31, 1990.

Total sales for the quarter grew 18 percent to $554.9 million from $471.6 million in the second quarter of last year. Comparable store sales increased 2 percent. Second quarter net earnings rose 13 percent to $19.0 million from $16.9 million in the same period last year, and net earnings per share increased to 41 cents from 37 cents.

For the six months ended August 31, 1990, total sales grew 19 percent to $1.05 billion from $879.6 million in the same period last year, and comparable store sales increased 2 percent. Net earnings for the six months rose 13 percent to $31.1 million from $27.6 million in last year's first half, and net earnings per share increased to 67 cents from 60 cents.

"We were pleased that the second quarter sales increase met our expectations," said Richard L. Sharp, Circuit City's president and chief executive officer.

"The rate of growth for the quarter reflects continued moderate growth in our retail segment and consumer uncertainty about the overall economy. The expansion of our store base in both new and existing markets continues to enhance Circuit City's competitive position and support strong total sales growth."

During the quarter, Circuit City opened 12 Superstores. In addition to a three-store entry into the Cincinnati, Ohio, market, the company added Superstores in Los Angeles, Calif.; Philadelphia, Penn.; San Francisco, Calif.; Phoenix, Ariz.; and Tampa, Fla. Superstores were relocated in Nashville, Tenn., and Charlotte, N.C. Superstores replaced consumer electronics-only stores in Louisville, Ky., and Columbia, S.C. The company also opened one mall-based Impulse store in the Miami, Fla., market during the quarter.

"Sales training, advertising programs and merchandise strategies that emphasize higher margin products combined with greater buying volumes to produce an increase in the second quarter gross profit margin," Sharp said. For the quarter, Circuit City's gross profit margin rose to 30.0 percent of sales from 29.3 percent in the same period last year.

"Our ongoing commitment to broadening the geographic base of the Circuit City Superstore and maintaining high levels of service in all our stores has resulted in anticipated increases in selling, general and administrative expense as a percent of sales," Sharp said. For the quarter, SG&A expenses rose to 24.1 percent of sales from 22.9 percnet in the second quarter of last year.

The higher gross profit margin partially offset the rise in the expense ratio, resulting in a pre-tax profit margin of 5.6 percent for the quarter versus 5.9 percent in last year's second quarter. The effective tax rate declined slightly to 39.0 percent, and the net profit margin was 3.4 percent compared with 3.6 percent in the same period last year.

In addition to the second quarter results, Sharp announced that Circuit City's board of directors has declared a cash dividend of 2.5 cents per share payable October 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on September 28, 1990.

Circuit City Stores, Inc., with headquarters in Richmond, Va., is the nation's largest specialty retailer of brand-name consumer electronics and major appliances. At the end of the second quarter, the company operated 138 Superstores, 16 Circuit City stores and five Impulse mall stores in the eastern, midwestern and western United States.

CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS - PERIODS ENDING AUGUST 31
(Amounts in thousands except per share data)

	Three Months	Six Months

	1990	1989	1990	1989
NET SALES AND REVENUES	$554,935	$471,591	$1,048,335	$879,587
Cost of Sales, Buying and Warehousing	388,207	333,455	738,527	623,913
Gross Profit	166,728	138,136	309,808	255,674
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses	133,792	108,112	255,424	206,014
Interest Expense	1,781	2,261	3,433	4,212
EARNINGS BEFORE INCOME TAXES	31,155	27,763	50,951	45,448
Provision for Income Taxes	12,151	10,911	19,871	17,861
NET EARNINGS	$19,004	$ 16,852	$ 31,080	$ 27,587
Net Earnings Per Share: Primary and Fully Diluted	$ .41	$ .37	$ .67	$ .60
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares and Equivalents Outstanding:				
Primary	46,837	46,151	46,737	46,077
Fully Diluted	46,837	46,168	46,737	46,110

CONTACT: Ann M. Collier, Circuit City Stores, Inc., 804-527-4058.

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#90260p5066 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, MICH. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Allnet Communication Services, Inc. has dropped prices in Missouri for several of its long- distance services tailored to residential customers and small- and medium-sized businesses.

Rates for Allnet Premier(R) service from Missouri have been reduced by an average of about 5 percent.

According to Greg Jones, Allnet vice president of marketing, Allnet Premier long-distance service was designed for small- and medium-sized businesses, especially those making most of their long-distance calls within a region or to frequently dialed cities. Savings are based on calling patterns and calling areas. For example, from Missouri, "Special City Discounts," which provide 10 percent off of Business Hour rates, are included for calls made to Indianapolis, Los Angeles, New York City, downtown Chicago and Washington, D.C.

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Allnet is one of the nation's largest long-distance carriers, offering service in every U.S. major metropolitan area. Via the Allnet network, calls can be made to any dialable location worldwide. Allnet is headquartered in Birmingham, Mich., and has Missouri offices in Kansas City and St. Louis.

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#90260p5068 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVINGSTON, N.J. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas E. Albright will join The Howard Savings Bank (NASDAQ: HWRD) as executive vice president and chief financial officer, chairman and chief executive officer William P. Tuggle III announced today.

Albright has extensive experience as a financial executive in the banking industry.

"The Howard is truly fortunate to add Tom Albright to our management team," Tuggle said. "He brings to our organization a wide range of experience in coordinating financial system and reporting, managing the accounting function, directing the budget process and dealing with regulators."

Albright most recently was director, financial systems integration, at First Fidelity Bancorporation, a $30 billion bank holding company, where he was responsible for the integration of financial functions throughout the company.

He previously served as controller from 1986 through March 1990 and he directed asset and liability management from June 1984 through 1985 at First Fidelity Bank, N.A., New Jersey.

"I'm pleased to be reunited with Bill Tuggle," Albright said, "and look forward to working with the Howard's many fine officers and employees as it, like many other financial institutions, faces the challenge of these uncertain economic times."

Tuggle was a director, president and chief executive officer of First Fidelity

Bank, N.A., New Jersey prior to joining the Howard in August.

Albright started his career as assistant treasurer at Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A., New York in 1973. He held several management positions with American Express Company's Card Division in New York from 1977-1981, before becoming corporate treasurer at United Counties Trust Company, New Jersey from 1981-1984.

Albright, 39, earned an MBA in finance from St. John's University and a bachelor of science degree from St. Bonaventure University. He lives in Chatam N.J.

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#90260p5069 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CERRITOS, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Cardis Corp. (OTC) today reported a further reduction in operating losses for the first fiscal quarter ended July 31, 1990, reflecting the trend of the preceding two quarters.

The company reported a net loss of $1,171,000 or 11 cents per share, for the first quarter, compared with a net loss of $1,762,000 or 16 cents per share, in the same period a year ago. The company posted net sales of $21,518,000 for the three month period, up from $21,301,000 a year earlier.

The company posted a small operating loss of $40,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1991, versus an operating loss of $836,000 a year ago. First quarter 1991 results were affected by higher interest expense compared with the year-earlier period, since interest was not charged on debt deferred by Chapter 11 bankruptcy in fiscal 1990. With the company's emergence from bankruptcy, interest on debt has been charged to operations at contractual rates.

Included in the prior year's results is an extraordinary item of $1,024,000 resulting primarily from legal fees relating to the reorganization.

Kenneth D. Walker, Cardis president and chief executive officer, said the year-to-year improvement reflected the planned reductions in operating expenses and higher gross margins in accordance with management's long-term goals.

Cardis Corp. operates nine automotive parts warehouse distribution centers and 25 jobber retail stores located throughout California.

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#90260p5071 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

EXTON, PA. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Intelligent Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ: INEL) (IE), the nation's largest network of microcomputer centers, today announced plans to accelerate the integration of Connecting Point of America Inc. (CPA), subject to the satisfaction of final contingencies.

In May of 1989, Intelligent Electronics announced an agreement to purchase the Connecting Point chain pursuant to which the final installment of the purchase price would be due in 1991, contingent upon CPA's operating results through March 31, 1991. According to Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Richard D. Sanford, "Since it is anticipated that CPA will meet the terms of the acquisition agreement, we can realize greater synergies and efficiencies by completing the integration ahead of schedule, rather than waiting until next year."

Subject to the satisfaction of the contingencies, IE will pay the remaining $18 million in the first half of 1991, bringing the total purchase price to $54 million. At least 10 percent of the final installment must be paid in cash; the balance is payable in cash or IE common stock, at IE's option.

"During the past 12 months, Intelligent Electronics has focused on integrating our operations in order to create one cohesive support organization for our dealer network," said Sanford. "IE's goal has been to provide flawless, world-class service to our customers by every standard of measurement, and the integration of the two organizations has reached a point where we anticipate a smooth transition."

The company announced plans to operate according to five operating divisions effective Nov. 1: Franchise (FD); International; Corporate Services (CSD); Company Center (CCD); and Distribution Services (DSD).

Each division will operate autonomously under the direction of President and Chief Operating Officer Michael R. Shabazian. "The new divisions will enhance the focus of the company and capitalize on its strengths. Integrating provides the logistic support to build on our leadership position " he said, adding that the mission of Intelligent Electronics remains unchanged. "We will provide world-class customer service at the lowest possible cost of delivery."

Although various franchise functions will continue to be performed at all IE locations, franchise operations will be headquartered in Denver in the newly formed Franchise Division. Said Shabazian, "We are integrating the franchise function into a single division to further accomplish our mission."

He indicated current staff levels would be maintained although some staff

reporting relationships will change. James M. Ciccarelli, who formerly served as president and chief operating officer of the Connecting Point subsidiary, will be appointed president of the Franchise Division. Ciccarelli will direct all franchise functions for the three chains -- CPA, Entre' Computer Centers and Todays Computers Business Centers (TCBC) -- and will assume responsibility for franchise development, revenue growth, customer satisfaction, market development, marketing, operations and purchasing activities.

Mark R. Briggs, chief financial officer and vice president of Finance, will be appointed president of IE's new Corporate Services Division, headquartered in Exton.

The Distribution Services Division will be headed by Stephen C. Wright at IE's Chantilly, Va., location. Wright will be appointed to the position of president, having served as vice president of Distribution with the corporation.

A newly created Company Center Division will operate IE's company- owned centers. Frank H. Slovenec, appointed president, formerly served as vice president of Sales and Marketing for the TCBC and Entre' chains.

The previously formed International Division will continue under the direction of President William G. Alvis.

Other staff reporting directly to Shabazian include: Norman P. Shapero, senior vice president of Strategic Planning and Integration, and Janice L.M. Longer, vice president and general counsel.

The IE network, composed of nearly 1,000 pc dealers, provides value- add solutions to small and mid-sized businesses in more than 500 market regions throughout the United Stations, Canada and Guam.

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#90260p5072 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

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#90260p5077 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPRINGFIELD, MASS. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - To expand its national network of managed care provider organizations serving group life and health clients, Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company has purchased an equity interest in Metrocare National, Inc., headquartered in Portland, Ore.

MassMutual serves over 460,000 insureds and their families in 100 metropolitan markets through its Preferred Plus network of 28 managed care organizations, one of the largest independent networks of its kind in the United States.

Metrocare is a holding company of several subsidiaries that provide health care cost containment services to employers in association with insurance carriers and third-party administrators.

Metrocare provides services to 1.5 million members and some 10,000 employers in metropolitan areas across the nation.

"This move will improve our competitive position in several ways," said executive vice president James E. Miller, head of MassMutual Employee Benefits Management.

"Our closer association with Metrocare," he explained, "will enable us to increase our capability geographically and add to our managed care expertise in developing new products."

Metrocare owns a broad-based network of provider organizations in Washington

State, Oregon, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Michigan, Minnesota and North Carolina. Besides their growth potential, these organizations also provide utilization review, case management, health promotion and other programs designed to contain health care costs.

MassMutual already is associated with a number of Metrocare's Family Health Plan organization.

MassMutual, a $25 billion company, is the 11th largest life insurer in the United States and one of the nation's 100 largest companies in terms of assets.

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#90260p5079 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Applebee's International, Inc., (NASDAQ: APPB) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the purchase of shares of the company's outstanding common stock. Because the board believes that the current market price of the stock does not represent its true value, aggressive purchases will be made in the open market from time to time as the company's management deems appropriate. At this time, management has determined that it may purchase up to 100,000 shares.

Applebee's International, Inc., headquartered in Kansas City, Mo., develops, franchises and operates a rapidly expanding national chain of restaurants under the trademark Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar.

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#90260p5080 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MICH. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Southfield-based Beauty Brands announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Global Distribution Network, merged with B & E Merchandising Corp., a company headquartered in Livonia, Mich., which sells advertising circulars and merchandise to drugstores, variety stores and supermarkets.

The purchase price was not disclosed. Beauty Brands is a distributor of cosmetics and fragrances.

CONTACT: Don Fox of Beauty Brands, 313-462-4040

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#90260p5081 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, MICH. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Allnet Communication Services, Inc. has dropped prices in Texas for several of its long- distance services tailored to residential customers and small- and medium-sized business.

Rates for Allnet Premier(R) service from Texas area codes 214,713 and 817 have been reduced by an average of 10 percent, in part because of a reduction in local access charges being passed on to customers.

According to Greg Jones, Allnet vice president of marketing, Allnet Premier long-distance service was designed for small- and medium-sized businesses, especially those making most of their long-distance calls within a region or to frequently dialed cities. Savings are based on calling patterns and calling areas. For example, from Texas, "Special City Discounts," which provide discounts of 10 percent off of Business Hour rates, are included for calls made to Atlanta, Chicago, Los Angeles, Oklahoma City and Washington D.C.,

Allnet Pacesetter(R), a standard mileage band-based service designed for small commercial customers, now offers a 20-percent discount during its "Early Bird" (7 a.m. to 8 a.m.) and "Night Owl" (5 p.m. to 7 p.m.) periods. The new discount reduces effective rates for both periods by 12.5 percent.

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A large majority of residential callers make their long-distance calls in the evening. Responding to traffic patterns of its customers, Allnet has reduced interstate evening rates for Allnet Dial-1, its standard residential service, by almost 6 percent. Calls made within a radius of 125 to 3,000 miles will see slightly larger savings (about 6-1/2 percent) on the average. Allnet Dial-1 also offers the simplicity of flat-rate billing.

Allnet is the nation's fifth-largest long-distance carrier, offering service in every U.S. major metropolitan area. Via the Allnet network, calls can be made to any dialable location worldwide. Allnet is headquartered in Birmingham, Mich., and has Texas offices in Dallas, Houston and Irving.

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#90260p5082 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, MICH. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Allnet Communication Services, Inc. has dropped prices in Kansas for several of its long- distance services tailored to residential customers and small- and medium-sized businesses.

Rates for Allnet Premier(R) service from Kansas have been reduced by an average of 8.5 percent.

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WEST KINGSTON, R.I. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - American Power Conversion Corporation (NASDAQ: APCC) announced Friday a 3-for-1 stock split of its common stock to be effected in the form of a 200 percent stock dividend. The dividend shares will be payable Sept. 28, 1990. Shareholders of record at the close of business on Sept. 14, 1990, are entitled to receive two additional shares of common stock for each share held on that date. The company also announced that its shareholders have approved an increase in the total number of the company's authorized shares from 5 million to 25 million.

American Power Conversion is a leading manufacturer of uninterruptible power sources (UPS) which protect computers and similar power-sensitive electronic equipment from sags, spikes, blackouts and other power anomalies.

CONTACT: Aaron Davis, director of corporate communications, 401-789-5735, x2022, or Rodger Dowdell Jr., president and CEO, 401-789-5735, x2023, of American Power Conversion Corporation

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WEST LAFAYETTE, IND (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Emerson Kampen, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Great Lakes Chemical Corporation (NYSE: GLK) today announced that the board of directors increased the company's regular quarterly dividend from $.11 to $.12 per share, payable on Oct. 30, 1990 to the holders of record of the common stock of the corporation on Oct. 1, 1990.

This action marks the second dividend increase in the last 12 months and raises the current indicated dividend rate to $.48, a 26 percent gain from the $.38 paid in 1989. Great Lakes has increased its dividend in each of the past 17 years, ranking the company in the top one percent of over 4,000 companies included in an annual dividend achievers survey.

The company recently reported record earnings and record revenues for the second quarter. Net income for the quarter of $34,535,000, or $.98 per share, topped the $31,231,000, or $.90 per share, achieved during the second quarter of 1989 by 11 percent. Revenues jumped 29 percent to $267,707,000 versus the $207,288,000 generated during the second quarter of 1989.

Great Lakes Chemical Corporation, a Fortune 500 company, is the world's leading producer of bromine, brominated chemicals and furfural derivatives for such applications as flame retardants, agriculture, oil and gas well completion fluids, water sanitizers and other specialty applications. The stock of the company is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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GREENWICH, CT (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - United Parcel Service (UPS) announced today that it has established a new subsidiary responsible for the development sale or leasing of UPS-owned industrial real estate.

Called UPS Properties, Inc., the subsidiary has 76 parcels of industrial land

in 23 states. The company plans to develop industrial parks that will include offices, warehouse and distribution space.

"We have established UPS Properties, Inc. because UPS and many of our customers depend on industrial parks for warehouses, distribution and light manufacturing facilities," said Mike Hewson, UPS Properties, Inc. marketing manager. "We recognize an increasing demand for such space."

Each of the sites is strategically located near major roads, interstate highways, airports, downtown areas and available workforce. In addition, most sites are close to UPS distribution facilities linked to the company's global delivery network.

Hewson added that "UPS marketing and engineering personnel spend considerable effort identifying optimum hub and delivery locations in key distribution corridors nationwide. This experience in market demographics and site selection, coupled with our expertise in facility development, will enable UPS Properties, Inc. to meet the facility needs of companies planning to expand or relocate."

Some of the sites are located in or near the following major cities: Washington, D.C., Chicago, Los Angeles, El Paso, Tex., and Reno, Nev., among others.

UPS, based in Greenwich, Conn., is a worldwide company serving all 50 states and more than 180 countries and territories. With a volume of 2.8 billion packages and documents in 1989, and revenue of more than $12 billion, UPS is the largest package delivery company in the world.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Stanford Telecommunications, Inc. (NASDAQ: STII) announced today that Computer Sciences Corp. of Beltsville Md. has exercised a two year option on its contract with Stanford Telecom. Stanford Telecom's Systems Engineering Division, Seabrook, Md. facility will continue to provide Systems Engineering and Analysis Support to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, (NASA) Goddard Space Flight Center. The exercised option is valued at approximately $4.1 million.

Stanford Telecom designs, manufactures and operates electronic systems primarily for space programs. These systems include complex electronic systems for satellite ground terminals and airborne and spacecraft electronics.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Marcade Group, Inc. (NYSE: MAR) today reported higher revenues and lower earnings for the 13 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990 as reflected in the attached consolidated statements of operations.

Revenues for the quarter were $97,705,000 compared with $82,902,000 for the similar period last year.

Net income for the quarter was $527,000 or $.01 per fully diluted shares, compared with the $2,489,000 or $.03 per fully diluted shares earned in the 1989 quarter.

Charles S. Ramat, president, stated, "We are pleased to report a profit in what continues to be a difficult period for the apparel business. While some of our divisions are performing well other areas of our business have felt the impact of adverse business conditions. As consumer confidence declines, some of the major customers dealing with these divisions are reducing quantities purchased and shortening the lead time we are customarily given to make delivery. This adversely impacts our profit margins. While there is no way to know how long this trend will continue, we are helpful that this situation will be alleviated in the not too distant future."

The Marcade Group is a diversified apparel company. It designs and manufactures women's, men's and boy's apparel through a group of wholly- owned subsidiaries: Europe Craft Imports, Inc., maker of "Members Only" outerwear and sportswear, Perry Manufacturing Company, Marlene Industries Corporation, Booth Bay Ltd., Above The Belt, Inc. and RJMJ, Inc.

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NILES, MICH. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - National-Standard Company (NYSE: NSD) reported the completion of the sale of its Medical Products Group in Gainsville, Fla., to The Marmon Group, a diversified holding company headquartered in Chicago.

The announcement was made by Michael B. Savitske, president and chief executive officer of National-Standard.

"This divestiture is consistent with our stated corporate strategy of divesting product lines or business units which do not meet the company's

strategic or profit objectives. This action allows us to continue focusing our resources and efforts on those businesses that offer the best opportunity for future profitability," Savitske said.

Proceeds from the sale will be used to reduce National-Standard's level of borrowing. Terms of the sale were not disclosed.

The Gainsville operation manufactures specialized medical devices for use in radiology, urology and cardiology markets.

Founded in 1907, National-Standard is a Niles-based firm with 17 facilities throughout the world. The company manufactures and distributes a broad range of wire, wire-related products and specialized machinery systems.

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BIRMINGHAM, Mich. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Allnet Communication Services, Inc. has dropped prices in California for several of its long- distance services tailored to residential customers and small- and medium-sized businesses.

Rates for Allnet Premier(R) service throughout California have been reduced by an average of 5 percent. The rate reductions for Allnet Premier will be effective on Oct. 1, 1990.

According to Greg Jones, Allnet vice president of marketing, Allnet Premier long-distance service was designed for small- and medium-sized businesses, especially those making most of their long-distance calls within a region or to frequently dialed cities. Savings are based on calling patterns and calling areas. For example, from California, "Special City Discounts," which provide discounts of 10 percent off of Business Hour rates, are included for calls made to Chicago, Denver, New York City, Washington, D.C. and cities throughout Arizona and Oregon.

Allnet Pacesetter(R), a standard mileage band-based service designed for small commercial customers, now offers a 20-percent discount during its "Early Bird" (7 a.m. to 8 a.m.) and "Night Owl" (5 p.m. to 7 p.m.) periods. The new discount reduces effective rates for both periods by 12.5 percent.

According to Jones, one of the major benefits for Californians is the "Early Bird" discount for companies with long-distance traffic to the Eastern time zones. In addition, Allnet Pacesetter offers flat-rate billing. Because each minute is billed at the same amount, shorter business calls are less expensive than standard services which offer billing plans with higher first-minute costs. Allnet's program of volume discounts can increase savings even more.

A large majority of residential callers make their long-distance calls in the evening. Responding to traffic patterns of its customers, Allnet has reduced interstate evening rates for Allnet Dial-1, its standard residential service, by almost 6 percent. Calls made within a radius of 125 to 3,000 miles will see slightly larger savings (about 6-1/2 percent) on the average. Allnet Dial-1 also offers the simplicity of flat-rate billing.

Rate changes for Allnet Pacesetter and Allnet Dial-1 were effective Sept. 1, 1990.

Allnet is one of the nation's largest long-distance carriers, offering service in every U.S. major metropolitan area. Via the Allnet network, calls can be made to any dialable location worldwide. Allnet is headquartered in Birmingham, Mich., and has California offices in Anaheim, Los Angeles, Oakland Sacramento, San Diego and San Francisco.

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HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Loctite Corporation (NYSE: LOC) announced today that it will change its fiscal year to a calendar year effective Jan. 1, 1991. This will entail a six months transition period being closed Dec. 31, 1990. The first full calender year will end on Dec. 31, 1991. In making this announcement, Ken Butterworth, chairman and chief executive officer stated, "This change is being made because of the importance of planning in our business and the need to have our planning cycle coincide with that of our largest customers."

One of the effects of this change will be that, following our scheduled shareholders' meeting on Nov. 16, 1990, the following meeting will take place on April 24, 1992, after the close of our new calendar year period.

Butterworth also commented that his expectations for continued growth were high as the company continues to benefit from internal growth, acquisitions and the strength of the European currencies where Loctite has approximately 40 percent of its business.

Loctite Corporation, a worldwide, market-driven specialty chemical company, ranks among the leading suppliers of high performance adhesives, sealants, coatings, specialized brand-name chemicals and electroluminescent lamps and lighting systems. Principal markets include industrial, electronics, specialized medical, professional automotive and consumer.

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RICHARDSON, TEXAS (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - In its latest effort to introduce alternatives that offer advanced calling features on analog switches, NAC Inc. has announced that NYNEX (NYSE: NYN) is testing its series of patented intelligent network components.

The equipment, System CONTAC BASE(R), consists of intelligent network platforms that allow telephone companies to rapidly and cost- effectively deploy advanced network features on analog central office switches. Such features -- utilizing the Signalling System No. 7 protocol (SS7) -- include Custom Local Area Signalling Services (CLASS).

Designed and manufactured by NAC, System CONTAC BASE is targeted for a field trial this month in the Boston suburb of Natick, Mass., 16 miles west of the city. The system will tap into an existing 27,000-line analog AT&T 1A ESS central office switch. The field trial is expected to last through December 1990.

Raju Patel, NAC's president and chief executive officer, said System CONTAC BASE is an economic alternative to replacing old analog switches. The product also allows companies to prepare for the emerging Advanced Intelligent Network (AIN). "This is not a technological trick," Patel said. "We're simply moving today's technology forward."

NYNEX provides local telephone service to most of the Northeast United States through its subsidiaries -- New England Telephone and New York Telephone. The company is specifically evaluating System CONTAC BASE for interLATA and intraLATA SS7 call setup, as well as other SS7- based services like CLASS and 800 Data Base Service.

Bruce Johnson, staff director-signalling at NYNEX Service Company, said the Natick trial enables NYNEX to evaluate System CONTAC BASE as one alternative to offer SS7-based services on a 1A ESS switch.

"The field test represents our need to respond to customers who want new services that previously were available only on a digital switch," Johnson said. "We recognize that it's not practical to completely replace all our existing, aging central office switches, so we are always looking at cost-effective alternatives," Johnson said.

Earlier this year NAC began shipment of System CONTAC BASE systems for deployment into Bell Canada's network. The $7 million contract is part of an Original Equipment Manufacturer's (OEM) deal with Northern Telecom Canada.

NAC, founded in 1984, is a designer and manufacturer of systems that provide advanced networking capabilities for telecommunications networks. NAC's

customer base includes NYNEX, Pacific Bell, U S West and Northern Telecom Canada. Currently, NAC equipment serves about 2 million lines in North America.

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TROY, MICH. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - OIS Optical Imaging Systems, Inc., ("OIS") (OTC: OVON) (formerly Ovonic Imaging Systems, Inc.) announced today that it has amended the July 1989 $2.5 million License and Development Agreement with Samsung Electron Devices ("Samsung") for its active matrix liquid crystal flat panel display technology to be used in commercial TV applications.

Under the terms of the amended agreement, OIS will receive an additional $1,150,000 over a period of 11 months for a development program of two commercial applications.

Dr. Zvi Yaniv, OIS president and CEO, stated, "As a result of our success in previous development programs with Samsung, we continue to build this productive relationship with them in the commercial field. We are certainly pleased with the expansion of this commercial activity."

OIS develops electronic displays and scanning systems. Currently, OIS is focusing its proprietary display technology on avionic and military applications in order to become a leading U.S.-based manufacturer of flat panel displays.

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ST. PAUL, MINN. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - ZEOS International, Ltd. (NASDAQ-NMS: ZEOS) today announced it has begun shipping its new notebook and laptop computer systems. The ZEOS Notebook 286 and ZEOS Laptop 386DX-20 are the company's first entries into the rapidly growing transportable product category.

According to Greg Herrick, president of ZEOS International, "We are pleased to begin shipping these important new products. At a base price of only $1,995, the full featured ZEOS Notebook represents what we feel is one of the very best values in computing today. And for those demanding even more computing power, the ZEOS 386DX-20 laptop is among the most powerful laptop systems

available anywhere."

ZEOS International, Ltd., manufactures and markets, direct to end users, ISA and EISA (Industry and Extended Industry Standard Architecture) personal computer systems and workstations based on the Intel 80286, 80386 and 80486 microprocessor world wide under the ZEOS name. The company also provides contract manufacturing services under the name NPC Electronics and distributes passive electronic components through its Parts1 distribution division.

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LOWELL, MASS. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Wang Laboratories Inc. (AMEX: WAN) today announced that EG&G Idaho, Inc. has purchased two Wang Integrated Image Systems (WIIS) with a total value of over $800,000. The systems will provide computerized management of records for EG&G Idaho's Environmental Restoration Project (ERP) and its Radioactive Waste Management Complex (RWMC) at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory (INEL) in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

The installations at ERP and RWMC, both managed by Larry Leach, manager of EG&G's Waste Management Department, complete the first phase of INEL's long-range imaging project. At INEL, Wang imaging will be integrated with NORMS, a mainframe-based document control and records management system from Southern Electric International (SEI).

EG&G Idaho will use Wang imaging to provide better control and faster access of critical records and to assist its efforts in complying with federal and state records management regulations. In addition, EG&G Idaho will improve communications links with other agencies through Wang's VS FAX gateway, which permits FAX transmission of images from a Wang VS computer.

"Automating with image processing provides us with an effective way to safeguard our vital records for government reporting purposes and will change the way we do business in the future," said Chuck Aquilina, manager of Information Resources at EG&G Idaho.

With computer imaging systems, paper documents, such as vital records and government directives and orders, are electronically duplicated as images using document scanners and stored on optical disks for quick retrieval. The images can be viewed repeatedly but cannot be altered, ensuring information integrity. Once the documents have been scanned and indexed into a computer database, they can be accessed interactively by hundreds of users.

In May 1990, Wang and SEI announced an agreement under which both companies market customer-oriented solutions that integrate SEI's NORMS with Wang's imaging systems. The EG&G Idaho imaging procurement is the first award won

by this systems integration alliance.

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DANBURY, CONN. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Barden Corporation (NASDAQ: BARD) announced today it signed a definitive agreement to be acquired by FAG Bearings Corporation of Stamford, Conn., creating a large, strong, and competitive bearing manufacturing group designed to provide U.S. customers with a wider range of antifriction bearing products over the long-term.

Under the terms of the agreement, FAG Finance Corp., a subsidiary of FAG Bearings, will acquire Barden Corp. through a tender officer to commence no later than Friday, Sept. 21, 1990. The purchase price is $66.50 a share, which givers the transaction a value of $131,157,000 based upon Barden's 1,972,282 common shares outstanding on a fully diluted basis. Carl Norden, whose family helped found Barden, and other family members have also entered into an agreement with FAG Bearings to sell their Barden shares to FAG Bearings at the same price per share. Norden and his family currently hold approximately one-third of the company.

The transaction is not conditioned on financing. The tender offer is scheduled to close in October and is subject to required regulatory reviews.

"This partnership is a strategic step forward for Barden," said Stanley Noss, president and chief executive officer. "We are gaining a partner with compatible marketing and manufacturing philosophies, significantly larger financial and technical resources, and worldwide market presence. These capabilities will provide us with the resources to continue our successful performance in the 1990's and beyond." Noss emphasized that FAG Bearings and Barden Corp. will continue to operate as separate and distinct companies, with Barden retaining its own corporate structure and identity. Barden's headquarters will remain in Danbury, its management personnel and employee staffing levels will not change, and use of the Barden name and trademark will continue.

"We decided a strong and dedicated partner with both substantial North American operations and worldwide scope was our key to future competitiveness in the global bearings marketplace," Noss added. "We believe this transaction is in the best interest of all our constituencies."

"Our shareholders will receive significant value for their investment. Our customers will be served by a company with the same high standards for quality and service but with greater access to resources for increased capital investment and research and development spending. And our employees will

benefit through increased job opportunities as part of an autonomous company within a larger bearing manufacturing group. We are doubly fortunate to have found such a partner in a Connecticut neighbor as well," Noss said.

"We are delighted to be joining forces with Barden," said Walter Schwarz, president of FAG Bearings Corp. "Since our product lines are complementary, the strategic fit between our two companies is excellent. Furthermore, the transaction will provide a means to develop additional domestic capacity to replace products FAG currently imports."

Barden's Danbury facility specializes in a broad range of highly engineered precision bearings, while FAG in North America produces heavy duty bearings, a range of standardized ball bearing products, and aircraft and instrument bearings in several North American locations.

In addition, both Noss and Schwarz emphasized the long-term growth opportunities for Connecticut they anticipate from the transaction. FAG Bearings intends to relocate the company's instrument bearing operations, currently in Stratford, Ontario, Canada, to Barden's Danbury plant, as well as introduce new product lines at Barden's manufacturing facilities.

"Moreover, Barden's products will gain access to global markets through FAG Bearings' worldwide distribution channels, greatly expanding our export potential," said Noss.

FAG Bearings, headquartered in Stamford, Conn., is a subsidiary of FAG Kugelfischer George Schaefer KGaA, a bearing and industrial systems manufacturer with 1989 revenues of $2.8 billion based in Schweinfurt, West Germany. The FAG group in North America had total sales in 1989 of $270 million and 1400 employees. The manufacturing operations of FAG in North America are located in Joplin, Mo. and Straford, Ontario, and key sales offices are in Detroit, Memphis, Toronto, and Miami. It has been doing business in North America since 1954.

The Barden Corporation, which manufactures a variety of bearing products as well as precision plastic moldings and metal stampings and assemblies, has 1700 employees located in Danbury, Bridgeport, and Winsted, Conn. and the United Kingdom. It anticipates 1990 revenues of $105 million.

FAG Finance Corp., has agreed to commence a tender offer within five business days for all outstanding common shares at a price of $66.50 per share. As soon as practicable following completion of the tender offer and after any required approvals by shareholders, FAG Bearings will cause FAG Finance Corp. to merge into the company and all remaining common shares will be converted into the right to receive $66.50 per share.

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#90260p5118 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
DETROIT (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Automotive Components Group (ACG) of General Motors Corporation (NYSE: GM) today announced the establishment of a new management structure for its European activities. The new management team, under the direction of Mark R. McCabe, executive in charge, ACG Europe, will include representation from the nine ACG divisions currently doing business in Europe. The directors of these activities will report to McCabe and to their respective divisional general managers in the United States.

Under this new structure, the ACG will continue to strengthen its position as the leading supplier of automotive systems, modules and components on a worldwide basis.

The new management team will include:
-- Daniel E. Stainforth, European director, AC Rochester Division
-- Jacques V. Simonnet, European director, Delco Moraine NDH Division
-- Ralph Langshaw, European director, Delco Products Division
-- Jean Cazade, European director, Delco Remy Division
-- Ronald C. Treloar, European director, Harrison Radiator Division
-- Eugene J. Rymar, European director, Hydra-matic Division
-- Roland F. Link, European director, Inland Fisher Guide Division
-- Hans-Juergen Weiser, managing director, Packard Electric Europe
-- John H. Robinson, European director, Saginaw Division

ACG Europe currently operates 39 European manufacturing facilities, employing some 26,000 workers. Total dollar sales last year amounted to $2.4 billion.

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#90260p5119 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
PALO ALTO, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Emery Worldwide and American Telephone & Telegraph Co. (NYSE: T) shortened the paper trail between them today by launching an Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) partnership for exchanging invoicing and remittance data -- AT&T's first electronic link with an air freight carrier.

The billing system, which employs the Transportation Data Coordinating Committee (TDCC) transaction standard and is supported by the AT&T EDI Network will eventually eliminate paper invoicing and remittance for the more than 5,300 shipments Emery Worldwide handles for AT&T each month.

Officials for both companies say the new system will result in a "significant" savings of both time and money.

"We've leveled a mountain of paperwork by going online with this system," said James J. Kopa, Emery Worldwide's project manager for EDI billing systems. "As a result, both companies should realize greater productivity and cost efficiency."

According to Dan Whalen, EDI planning and implementation manager at AT&T, the telecommunications company last year processed some four million vendor/customer transactions via EDI.

"When we decided to expand our EDI program to air transportation, Emery and other major carriers were contacted regarding their EDI capabilities, and although we are currently testing with others, Emery is the first to go live," said Whalen.

Emery Worldwide was the first air cargo carrier to offer electronic remittance and its EDI experts played an integral part in developing "Set 110," the electronic invoicing standard for the air freight industry.

AT&T uses Emery Worldwide to transport computer and telecommunications equipment directly to its customers as well as to AT&T locations around the country. Emery also handles overnight envelopes for AT&T.

Other companies with EDI connections to Emery Worldwide include ITT, Proctor & Gamble, General Electric, and Northern Telecom Canada, Ltd. "We're working to get as many of out national accounts on EDI as possible," said Kopa.

"In our experience, existing customers may ship more often with Emery simply because it's easier to do business with us electronically. And new customers will often select us because of our EDI expertise," Kopa added.

Emery Worldwide is a diversified air freight company specializing in the delivery of urgent envelopes, parcels and heavy freight. It has headquarters in Palo Alto, Calif., and freight facilities throughout North America and 90 countries around the world.

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#90260p5122 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX (ARIZ.) PR NEWSWIRE - Zila, Inc. (NASDAQ: ZILA), the Phoenix-based health care products company, today reported fourth quarter (unaudited FY 1990) (July 31) net sales of $974,732, compared to FY 1989 fourth quarter sales of $685,549 -- an increase of 42 percent.

Zila reported net sales for all of FY 1990 of $3,444,935, versus FY 1989 sales of $2,557,798 -- an increase of 35 percent.

Net income for the fourth quarter FY 1990 totalled $90,477, compared to a net loss of $17,613 for the fourth quarter of FY 1989, or a net loss of $19,540 when adjusted by $1,927 for marketing expenses that were paid by the Daleco Zila Partnership. Net income for all of FY 1990 totalled $129,700, compared to $124,118 for FY 1989, or a net loss of $266,298 when adjusted by $390,416 for marketing expenses assumed by the Daleco Zila Partnership. Since the beginning of FY 1990, the company has absorbed all marketing expenses for its products.

"Steps taken in FY 1990 contributed to solid sales and earnings expansion," said Zila President Joseph Hines, "but, more importantly, they positioned the company for significant growth." Hines cited these factors:

-- Zilactin (non-prescription medicated gel for canker sores, cold sores and fever blisters) sales continue strong.

-- ZilaBrace and ZilaDent, after a year of market development, are contributing to sales and profits with a solid re-order pattern from major chains and wholesalers.

-- Zilactol, liquid medication for cold sores and fever blisters, was introduced in the first week of FY 1991 and has met with strong market acceptance.

-- A new Zilactin "mini-pak" is being designed for sale at convenience and sundries stores to open a previously unavailable market segment and class of consumer trade.

-- Bausch & Lomb, Inc., which earlier this year was licensed to manufacture and market Zila oral health care products world-wide outside the United States is poised to begin foreign sales, initiating a significant stream of royalty income for Zila.

-- MGI Pharma, Inc., reached a licensing agreement with Zila in the final days of FY 1990 and will soon begin selling a new compound based on the patented Zila bioadhesive formula, targeting the oncology market through MGI Pharma's experienced detailing force.

-- Drug Topics magazine (Aug. 6, 1990) pharmacists' survey says Zilactin is the second most frequently recommended canker/cold sore remedy; 28 percent of female pharmacists and 26 percent of pharmacists in the West rank Zilactin No. 1. This rapid gain in market position has been confirmed in other industry surveys.

-- Zila is working with numerous medical researchers and institutions on a wide range of studies to document the efficacy of the Zila technology and to find new applications for it, including the treatment of genital herpes (HSV II), shingles (herpes zoster) and genital warts (condyloma).

-- Zila is aggressively pursuing additional new business opportunities. Zila has no debt and over $1 million in cash.

In recent months the company eliminated all preferred stock and undertook a warrant exchange program, which had the effect of reducing the number of fully diluted shares of outstanding common stock. "The result," said Hines, "is that Zila today has a simplified corporate structure, our shareholders enjoy less dilution of earnings per share, and our prospects for growth and profit in FY 1991 and beyond are brighter than ever."

Zila has executive offices at 777 East Thomas Road, Phoenix, Ariz. 85014-5454, 602-957-7887.

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#90260p5125 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Ramsay Health Care, Inc. (NASDAQ: RHCI) today announced results for the fourth quarter and the audited results fro the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. Gross revenues totaled $153,394,000 compared to $147,663,000 for the previous year. Net income was $5,049,000, or $0.34 per share, compared to $3,721,000, or $0.26 per share, a 36 percent change over the same period last year.

Fourth quarter gross revenues were $40,660,000 versus $38,769,000 for fiscal 1989. Net income for the quarter was $394,000 or $0.03 per share, compared with net income of $1,646,000 or $0.11 per share, for the same period last year.

The results for the fiscal year and fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990 included a one-time after-tax charge of $1,874,000 for early retirement of debt. Without the one-time charge, net income for the year would have been $6,923,000 or $0.46 per share, compared to $3,721,000, or $0.26 per share, an increase of 86 percent over the same period last year. Net income for the quarter would have been $2,268,000 or $0.15 per share, compared to $1,646,000, or $0.11 per share, an increase of 38 percent over the same period last year. The debt refinancing afforded the company considerably less restrictive debt covenants as well as substantially reducing its interest expense.

Ralph J. Watts, president and chief executive officer of Ramsay Health Care, Inc. commented, "Our successfully completed debt refinancing will result in substantial savings in the future. Ongoing cost controls have contributed to

maintaining strong margins. Our designated goals for fiscal 1990 have been successfully met. With our strategies firmly in place for 1991 we look forward to continued growth."

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#90260p5128 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LYNN, MASS. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - GE Aircraft Engines has received a contract, potentially worth $100 million in engine orders, to supply the United States Navy with 50 TF34-GE-400 high bypass turbofan engines to power its fleet of Lockheed S-3 aircraft.

Deliveries of an initial 20 spare engines will begin in early 1993. Delivery will average three units a month through mid-1994 if two contract options totalling 30 additional engines are exercised.

The Lockheed S-3A is a twin-engine, carrier-based, antisubmarine warfare aircraft. The Navy is expanding the aircraft's role, using it for multiple missions.

This Navy order revives production of an engine last delivered in August 1978. An Air Force version of the TF34 was produced through March 1983. GE has produced a combined total of 2,000 TF34 engines and has maintained a spare parts production support for the power plant.

Plans call for producing the TF34 on the same assembly line as the CF34, a commercial variant that powers Canadair's Regional Jet.

The TF34 entered Navy service in 1971 and was chosen then for its fuel efficiency, as well as the increased range and flying time capabilities it gave the Lockheed aircraft. Rated at 9,000 pounds of thrust, the engine features the lowest specific fuel consumption in its class.

CONTACT: John Morris of GE Aircraft Engines, 617-594-4809

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Consolidated (NASDAQ-NMS: COKE) today announced it is continuing its Southeastern expansion by acquiring two Coca-Cola franchises in West Virginia.

Company spokesman Lauren Steele said Coca-Cola Consolidated has completed the purchase of assets of the Coca-Cola Bottling of Marlinton and the Elkins

Coca-Cola Bottling Co., both in West Virginia. Terms of the sale were not disclosed.

"These acquisitions complement Coke Consolidated's extensive operations in West Virginia and continue the company's strategy of acquiring additional Coca-Cola franchises in the Southeast," Steele said.

Elkins Coca-Cola operates in Randolph, Tucker and Upshur counties, and Marlinton Coca-Cola serves Pocahontas County, all in West Virginia.

Charlotte-based Coca-Cola Consolidated is the largest Coca-Cola bottler in West Virginia and the fifth largest in the nation. Coke Consolidated has sales and distribution centers in Charleston, Beckley, Huntington, Morganton, Bluefield, Logan, Clarksburg, Craigsville and Parkersburg, West Virginia.

The Elkins and Marlinton purchases follow a number of recent acquisitions by Coca-Cola Consolidated over the last two years as well as a record second quarter profit and a doubling of operating cash flow over the previous year.

CONTACT: Lauren C. Steele, Vice President-Corporate Affairs, Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Consolidated, 704-551-4551

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The First Australia Prime Income Fund, Inc. (AMEX: FAX), a closed-end bond fund, today declared a regular monthly dividend of 9 cents per share, payable on Oct. 12, 1990, to all shareholders of record on Oct. 1.

This dividend is consistent with the policy adopted by the fund's board of directors on Oct. 24, 1988, of declaring a regular monthly dividend of 9 cents per share, which commenced in February 1989. Qualifying U.S. taxpayers are additionally entitled to a foreign withholding tax credit on this dividend and will be informed as to the amount at a later date.

At the time of its offering in April 1986, The First Australia Prime Income Fund was the largest-ever initial public offering on the American Stock Exchange. The fund has net assets in excess of $1 billion. The fund's policy is to invest at least 65 percent of its portfolio in Australian issuers or debt securities rated 'AA' or better. The First Australia Prime Income Fund trades on the American and the Pacific stock exchanges. The fund is advised by EquitiLink Australia Limited, the largest independent mutual fund manager in Australia. Devoting itself only to the business of fund management, the EquitiLink Group manages more than $1.6 billion on behalf of over 240,000 investors worldwide.

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011-612-258-8222, or Marissa Moretti or George Arvantides of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for The First Australia Prime Income Fund

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BALTIMORE (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Nova Pharmaceutical Corporation (NASDAQ: NOVX) today announced that it has signed an agreement with Orion Corporation Farmos for exclusive marketing rights in Scandinavian countries to the Gliadel(TM) implant. The Gliadel implant, a treatment for primary brain cancer, is being developed by Nova in the United States.

Under the agreement, Farmos (a division of Orion Corporation Farmos) will conduct supplemental clinical trials in Scandinavia using the Gliadel implant and will seek marketing approval in Finland, Denmark, Norway and Sweden. Upon approval by appropriate government regulatory agencies, Farmos will market Gliadel implant in each of the four countries. Nova will manufacture the Gliadel implant for sale by Farmos.

The agreement between Nova and Farmos is consistent with Nova's strategy to seek further financing through licensing and joint venture activities with corporate partners for regions outside the United States.

The Gliadel implant is a biodegradable polymer combined with the anti-cancer agent BCNU (carmustine) and formed into a dime-sized wafer. During surgery to remove a brain tumor, up to eight wafers are placed at the tumor site. Over a period of days, the wafers erode, releasing BCNU directly to the tumor site with the intent of destroying tumor cells that could not be removed surgically.

Nova is conducting a controlled Phase III clinical trial using the Gliadel implant the for treatment of recurrent malignant brain cancer. More than 115 patients have been enrolled at approximately 25 centers in the United States and Canada.

Orion Corporation Farmos is the largest Finland-based pharmaceutical company. Orion has two pharmaceutical divisions; Orion Pharmaceutica and Farmos. The corporation has subsidiaries in Scandinavia and pharmaceutical manufacturing plants in Finland and Denmark.

Nova Pharmaceutical Corporation, based in Baltimore, is engaged in the research and development of new drugs and drug delivery systems, with a primary focus on central nervous system disorders and pain and inflammation.

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HOPKINSVILLE, KY (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - American Precision Machinery, Inc. (APM), a wholly owned subsidiary of Mitsubishi Heavy Industries America, Inc. (MHIA) and manufacturer of a variety of machine tools in the United States will hold a grand opening ceremony in Hopkinsville on Sept. 17, 1990 to celebrate the shipping of the first machine.

The new 60,000 square foot facility will initially manufacture horizontal and vertical machining centers in CNC lathes. Once production reaches optimum levels, APM plans to produce more than thirty machining centers and lathes per month. The number of employees at the plant is expected to grow progressively in accordance with the increase in production.

Sales, technical support, and service will be handled by MHIA's Machine Tool Division out of Wood Dale, Ill., in cooperation with Mitsubishi International Corporation. MHIA has its principal office in New York and is a subsidiary company of Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd. of Japan.

CONTACT: Yukihisa Hotta, corporate secretary of MHIA, 212-969-9000, or Ron Holzer, executive VP of APM, 502-885-2211

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Vallen Corporation (NASDAQ: VALN) today announced record first-quarter sales and earnings for the period ended Aug. 31 1990.

Net sales increased 37.5 percent to $34,822,000, compared with $25,319,000 recorded in the first quarter of 1989. Net earnings increased 38.1 percent to $1,483,000, or $0.33 per share, compared with $1,074,000, or $0.24 per share, for the first quarter of 1989.

According to J.M. Wayne Code, president: "Fiscal 1991 continues Vallen's excellent sales and earnings growth. Sales increased from growth in our share of the market for our products and services. A significant percentage of the increase in sales has come from the company's national account program, systems supply agreements, and company-operated on-site stores in certain customer locations."

The company's acquisition of the business and assets of four distribution locations in Tennessee and a manufacturing location in Houston contributed approximately $3 million, or 32 percent, of the total increase in sales for the quarter.

Vallen Safety Supply Company, the distribution subsidiary, sells a wide variety of industrial safety and health products designed for the protection of the individual worker, his work place and the environment. A new branch was

opened in Texas City, Texas, and began operations during the quarter. Vallen Safety now operates from 33 locations throughout the United States.

Encon Safety Products, Inc., the manufacturing subsidiary headquartered in Houston, is the leading producer of emergency showers and eye wash fountains for industrial use. Also in Houston, Encon Custom Plastics molds and vacuum-forms products on a contract basis for various customers. Encon also molds optical quality protective eyewear at a plant in Coudersport, Pa.

VALLEN CORPORATION
(Unaudited)

First quarter ended Aug. 31:	1990	1989
Net sales	$34,822,000	$25,319,000
Operating income	2,402,000	1,661,000
Net earnings	1,483,000	1,074,000
Net earnings per common share	$0.33	$0.24
Average number of common shares outstanding	4,454,000	4,371,000

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#90260p5143 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Pacific Bank today announced a new account that offers customers at virtually every income level a way to save money easily while earning CD-like interest.

A minimum of $100 is all that's required to open the account called the Savings Builder(TM). Additional deposits ($25 minimum) can be made at any time during the term of the account, which can range from one to 15 years. The interest rate, up to 70 percent of the bank's prime rate, will be determined based on the term and balance.

"The trend in the 1990s is to save," said Vice Chairman Dave Williams, "and we believe the Savings Builder Account will allow a greater number of our customers to establish a healthy savings pattern because of its low minimum balance and deposit requirements."

As an added convenience, customers have the option of establishing Automatic Transfer Service (ATS). With this service, money can be transferred automatically from a Security Pacific checking, savings, money fund or High Yield Money Fund account into the Savings Builder Account. Customers who opt for ATS and make deposits on at least a monthly basis, will receive an ongoing 1/4 percent bonus on their interst rate.

Senior Vice President and Marketing Manager Bette Floray said Security Pacific created the new account because of customer demand.

"Our customers talked and we listened," said Floray. "Customers wanted a product that would meet their savings needs over time. And whether they're parents encouraging their children to save paper-route money or young adults saving for a home down payment, the Savings Builder Account will be an excellent tool in meeting a broad range of personal financial goals."

Calling the 1990s "The Decade of the Saver," the September issue of Money magazine reported the national savings rate recently was running at 5.1 percent of after-tax income. In 1987, that figure was 2.9 percent.

"The statistics speak for themselves," said Williams. "It's clear that we're moving toward a more saving-conscious society. The Savings Builder Account is important because it will allow the smaller saver to earn yields closer to those who invest larger amounts."

Security Pacific Bank Washington, the state's second largest commercial bank, is the principal subsidiary of Security Pacific Bancorporation Northwest, a Seattle-based, multi-bank holding company with assets of $11.2 billion. Other subsidiaries operate in Oregon, Idaho, Alaska and Canada. The Bancorporation is an affiliate of Security Pacific Corp. (NYSE: SPC), the nation's fifth-largest banking company.

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#90260p5144 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Pit Stop Auto Centers, Inc. (NASDAQ: PSAC), warrants traded as PSACW, today announced it had signed leases for four additional quick oil change centers in the greater Phoenix, Ariz. area, bringing the number of centers owned and operated by the company in the Phoenix valley to 11. The four new centers are expected to be opened in October by Pit Stop, after remodeling, equipping and inventory has been added.

Two of the locations were formerly operated as Oil Pro Lube & Wash. One of the new centers was formerly a Grease 'n Go. The fourth was formerly a Lube Shop location.

Pit Stop Auto Centers completed a $4 million public stock offering on July 31, 1990, and intends to continue to expand its involvement in the quick oil change industry by acquisitions. Additional locations in the Phoenix valley area are being negotiated, and the company is considering entry into additional markets in the near future.

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#90260p5149 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - American Monitor Corporation announced effective today, in accordance with its Sixth Plan of Reorganization ("the Plan") it has reorganized, recapitalized and will operate under the new name of AM Diagnostics, Inc.

Effective today, AM Diagnostics will exchange its old debt, old common stock and old warrants, for new debt, preferred stock, new common stock, new warrants and cash. The new common stock is being issued pursuant to the Plan which closed on Sept. 12, 1990. Also effective today, AM Diagnostics' new common stock and Series A and Series B preferred stock will be traded on the National Daily Quotation Survey ("pink sheets") on a when-issued basis.

"The reorganization of AM Diagnostics has been largely driven by customers' acceptance of our new and improved analyzers which will facilitate our ability to fill the company's $5 million backlog of orders," said Michael J. Treble, chief executive officer of AM Diagnostics. "This allows us to remain focused toward our mission to design, manufacture and market superior diagnostic systems to the high volume niche of the clinical diagnostics marketplace for clinical chemistry, therapeutic drug monitoring and immunoassays serving large hospitals and private clinical laboratories worldwide."

As of today, all existing common stock (8,349,987 shares) is deemed canceled and approximately 24 million shares of new common stock is deemed issued, of which 4 million shares (approximately 16 percent) is deemed issued to pre-confirmation shareholders. During the next 20 days, shareholders will be mailed a letter of transmittal and instructions for surrendering old certificates in exchange for new common stock. Also, shareholders will be issued one warrant to purchase one share of new common stock for each share of new common stock to which the shareholder is entitled, with an exercise price of $2 per share. Each old share of common stock will be exchanged for 0.48 of a new share of common stock.

Approximately 145,800 shares of Series A Convertible preferred stock, par value $100, will be issued to general unsecured creditors and subordinated debtholders. Each share of Series A preferred stock is convertible into 4a?res of common stock.

Also, approximately 39,000 shares of a Series B Convertible preferred stock, par value $100, will be issued to a post-petition lender. The Series B preferred provides for a conversion price at $0.25 per share but not greater than $0.50 per share under certain conditions.

AM Diagnostics, Inc. manufactures and markets automated blood chemistry testing equipment and the associated consumable diagnostic reagents to the worldwide health-care market.

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#90260p5154 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPOKANE, WA (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Mutual Travel Inc. today announced that Air Sea Land Travel Service Inc. will combine its operations with those of Mutual Travel's Spokane office Sept. 21.

Julie O'Larey McElroy, owner of Air Sea Land, and Sharon Rumley, agent at Air Sea Land, will operate from the Spokane Mutual Travel office at W. 601 Main. The office will be known as Mutual Travel.

Mutual Travel was founded in 1985 and has annual sales of over $100 million. The Spokane Mutual Travel office bills approximately $2.5 million per year. Air Sea Land, founded in 1955, currently bills about $1.5 million per year.

Both agencies have strong backgrounds in leisure and corporate travel services a focus that will be strengthened by combining the forces of the two offices.

"Mutual Travel and Air Sea Land will make a wonderful team. Julie's agency is well respected here in Spokane. Mutual Travel will now have greater visibility and a larger market share," said Linda Martin, manager of Mutual Travel's Spokane office. "During the past five years, we have laid a solid foundation and now we're ready to build our client base, both corporate and leisure."

"Mutual Travel offers precisely what I want for my clients and for Spokane: the advantages of personalized customer service combined with the expanded options that a large agency can offer its clients. I am also impressed with Mutual Travel's parent, Washington Mutual Savings Bank. Washington Mutual is just as committed to customer service as we are. I'm excited by this opportunity," said McElroy.

Mutual Travel is a wholly owned subsidiary of Washington Mutual Savings Bank (NASDAQ: WAMU), the largest independent financial institution in Washington with assets of $7.3 billion.

Mutual Travel operates 25 offices in Washington and is the largest independent travel agency in Washington.

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FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Arch Petroleum Inc. (NASDAQ: ARCH)

today announced net income of $384,000 ($.02 per common share after preferred dividends) on revenues of $1,643,000 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, compared to net income of $411,000 ($.03 per common share after preferred dividends) on revenues of $1,444,000 for the third quarter of fiscal 1989.

For the nine months ended July 31, 1990, the company reported net income of $1,271,000 ($.08 per common share after preferred dividends) on revenues of $4,792,000, compared to net income of $1,137,000 ($.07 per common share after preferred dividends) on revenues of $3,891,000 for the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

Arch Petroleum Inc. is an independent oil and gas exploration company headquartered in Fort Worth with interests in producing properties in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Louisiana and North Dakota.

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OKLAHOMA CITY (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - LSB Industries, Inc., (AMEX: LSB) announced that its board of directors has declared the regular quarterly dividend, payable Oct. 1, 1990 on its outstanding $2.20 Series 1 convertible exchangeable class C preferred stock of $.55 a share and 12 percent Series B cumulative convertible preferred stock of $3.00 a share. The dividends are payable to the preferred shareholders of record as of the close of business on Sept. 28, 1990. The company has issued and outstanding 801,618 shares of its $2.20 Series 1 convertible exchangeable class C preferred stock and 20,000 shares of its 12 percent Series B cumulative convertible preferred stock.

LSB is a diversified company engaged in financial services and a variety of manufacturing, engineering and marketing activities on a world wide basis. LSB's principal business activities consist of the manufacture and sale of chemical products, commercial air conditioning products, automotive and industrial products and more recently the financial services business which was formed through two separate acquisitions in 1988. LSB's common stock, debentures and Series 1 preferred stock are listed for trading on the American Stock Exchange.

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#90260p5164 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) and SBC Technology Resources, Inc., subsidiaries of Southwestern Bell Corporation (NYSE: SBC), will begin a laboratory trial in the fourth quarter

of 1990 of a Switched Multi-Megabit Data Service (SMDS).

As an emerging high-speed data service operating at rates of 1.5 and 45 million bits per second, SMDS is a "connectionless" public data network service.

SMDS addresses customer communications requirements, such as the transmission of large data files and graphics, that were not possible with low-speed data communications services. As one of its first applications, SMDS will interconnect high-speed local area networks (LANs) into larger metropolitan area networks (MANs), with virtually no loss in response time.

This service will ultimately support "bandwidth-intensive" applications such as multi-media conferencing, medical imaging and document publishing.

The Southwestern Bell SMDS trial will take place at two of the company's laboratories in the St. Louis area -- SWBT's Advanced Technology Laboratory(SM) and SBC Technology Resources' Advanced Networking Laboratory. The laboratories -- approximately 20 miles apart -- will be interconnected, creating a MAN test bed

The trial SMDS service will be based upon the IEEE 802.6 standard for MANs. Two prototype SMDS MAN switches from AT&T Network Systems will be used in the trial.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Southwestern Bell Corporation and provides network exchange service to nearly 9 million customers in Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas and Missouri.

Advanced Technology Laboratory is a pending service mark of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

CONTACT: Scott Hilgeman of Southwestern Bell Telephone, 314-247-4613, or Sylvia Johnson of SBC Technology Resources, 314-529-7584

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#90260p5166 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, AZ (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Phelps Dodge Magnet Wire Company, a unit of Phelps Dodge Industries, and Sumitomo Electric Industries Ltd. of Japan today announced the formation of a new company, SPD Magnet Wire Company, to produce and sell a limited range of magnet wire products primarily to the growing number of Japanese transplant companies manufacturing specialty electrical and electronic products in North America. Phelps Dodge and Sumitomo each hold a 50 percent interest in the new company.

SPD Magnet Wire Company will employ approximately 40 people and will operate an existing 50,000-square-foot plant in Edmonton, Kentucky. The new company

targets a developing market of interest both to Phelps Dodge and to Sumitomo, and builds on a long-standing relationship between the two companies. SPD Magnet Wire Company will utilize Sumitomo equipment and Phelps Dodge materials and marketing expertise to offer quality magnet wire products.

Rolf Klauer, currently Manager, Bare Products of Phelps Dodge Magnet Wire Company, has been named Chairman of the Board and CEO of SPD Magnet Wire Company. Tsutomu Hattori, President of Sumitomo Electric Insulated Wire Inc., has been elected President of the new company.

Phelps Dodge Industries directs the manufacturing and specialty chemical businesses of Phelps Dodge Corporation, the world's largest producer of copper. Sumitomo Electric Industries Ltd. of Japan is a major producer of wire, cable and electrical equipment.

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#90260p5170 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, OR (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Speaking before NIKE Inc.'s (NASDAQ: NIKE) annual shareholders' meeting, Chairman Philip H. Knight today announced record results for the first quarter ended Aug. 31. Net income for the three-month period was $99,654,000, or $2.62 per share, an increase of 31 percent from the $75,854,000, or $2.01 per share earned during the same period in the prior year.

Revenues for the three months increased 38 percent to a record $833,607,000 from $602,648,000 in the prior year. Revenues from domestic athletic footwear revenues increased 31 percent; domestic apparel revenues increased 21 percent; non-athletic footwear revenues increased 20 percent; and international revenues grew 89 percent during the quarter.

Knight also announced the company's worldwide orders for athletic footwear and apparel scheduled for delivery between September 1990 and January 1991, for the first time in the company's history, exceed $1 billion and are 42 percent higher compared to the same period last year. Domestic athletic footwear orders are up 39 percent; domestic apparel orders are up 24 percent; and international footwear and apparel orders are up 61 percent.

Consolidated gross margin for the first quarter was 37.4 percent, compared to 37.9 percent in last year's first quarter. Selling and administrative expenses were 17.6 percent of first-quarter revenues, compared to 16.8 percent for the same period last year.

Commenting on the results, Knight stated, "These first-quarter earnings reflect the continued strength of the NIKE brand in the U.S. and growing strength internationally. The 89 percent increase in international revenues

solidly indicates that we are beginning to capitalize on the enormous opportunities in overseas markets. We see further worldwide growth ahead as evidenced by the 42 percent increase in futures orders for the next five months. Our balance sheet remains very strong and we are very confident about our strategic direction aimed at expanding our position as the Number 1 Sports and Fitness company in the world."

NIKE INC.
(In thousands, except per-share data)

Three months ended Aug. 31:	1990	1989
Revenues	$833,607	$602,648
Net income	$ 99,654	$ 75,854
Net income per common share	$ 2.62	$ 2.01
Average common shares outstanding	38,012	37,721

CONTACT: Analysts: Ron Parham, 503-641-6453, or Media: Liz Dolan, 503-671-6453, both of NIKE Inc.

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#90260p5171 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - San Francisco-based Transcisco Industries Inc. (AMEX: TNIA and TNIB) today announced an agreement with PLM International Inc. (PLMI) (AMEX: PLM). The agreement is substantially the same as an agreement reached by the parties Aug. 26, 1989, which covered PLMI's 1989 Annual Stockholders Meeting and confirmed Transcisco's agreement not to commence a proxy contest regarding that meeting. That agreement was terminated Sept. 10, 1990, in accordance with its provisions. The new agreement covers PLMI's 1990 Annual Stockholders Meeting expected to be held Oct. 17, 1990, and remains in effect until Jan. 10, 1991.

Although Transcisco had no intention or plans to launch a proxy contest for the Oct. 17, 1990, meeting, the fact that Transcisco will give its proxy to PLMI to vote at that meeting will ensure that the resources of both companies do not get tied up in such a contest. Under the agreement, PLM International has agreed "to use its best efforts to cooperate" with Transcisco in the sale or disposition of Transcisco's holdings of approximately 36 percent of PLMI's outstanding common stock. In exchange, Transcisco will give its proxy to PLMI to be voted at the upcoming PLMI Stockholders Meeting, and will support the PLMI slate of directors.

Transcisco noted that this new agreement will benefit both companies by facilitating an orderly disposition of Transcisco's PLMI stock, and improved relations between the two companies.

Transcisco Industries operates rail car maintenance and retrofitting operations through its Transcisco Rail Services division, and its wholly owned subsidiary, Transcisco Tours, operates a dinner train in San Antonio, Texas

and will commence operation of a luxury "cruise train" service to Tahoe and Reno from the San Francisco Bay Area starting late 1990. Transcisco owns 36 percent of PLM International, an AMEX-listed diversified equipment leasing company that operates tank cars with Transcisco's Uni-Temp heating system. Transcisco expects to diversify its exposure, both in equipment-types and geography, to proprietary transportation equipment, parts and operating business using its own unique technologies and its proven financing skills.

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#90260p5172 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) said today that Unit No. 2 at the Limerick Generating Station in Montgomery County returned to service over the weekend.

Unit 2 shut down automatically on Sept. 10 due to an instrumentation malfunction in a steam line leak detection system in the non-nuclear portion of the plant.

The malfunction was corrected, maintenance was performed and the unit was restarted on Friday afternoon. It was connected to the regional power grid on Friday night and increased to full power during the weekend.

The plant's other unit, Unit 1, is out of service until late November for a scheduled refueling and maintenance outage.

CONTACT: Bill Jones of the Philadelphia Electric Co., 215-841-4129

-30- 949

#90260p5173 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines today moved to intervene in a lawsuit filed by American Airlines against the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in Washington.

American Airlines is requesting that the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit issue an emergency stay of an order dated Sept. 12 by the FAA that approved changes to United's fall schedule at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport.

In its court papers filed today, United urges that the Court of Appeals not issue a stay, which would be most disruptive to the traveling public. United's brief reinforces the FAA's conclusion that American's new Sept. 15 schedule will substantially increase airport congestion at O'Hare in the evening hours. In its order, the FAA concluded that "the implementation of United's proposed schedule (effective Oct. 1) will benefit air traffic control

and the traveling public at O'Hare Airport."

According to the FAA, American has threatened to "operate an alternate, 'countermeasures' schedule on Oct. 1" if United's proposal was approved. The FAA found that "even under American's alternate schedule, however, the resulting airport operation is preferable to that which would occur if the United proposal is denied."

The FAA's response to American's lawsuit also will be filed today. American has until Wednesday, Sept. 19, to file its reply. The D.C. Court of Appeals is expected to rule on the matter by Sept. 24.

CONTACT: Sara Dornacker, 708-952-6561, or Joe Hopkins, 708-952-5770, both of United Airlines

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#90260p5179 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The FABTECH West Exposition and Conference opens its doors as more than 5,000 forming and fabricating professionals are expected to attend this comprehensive display forming and fabricating equipment and innovations.

Gathered at this state-of-the-industry event will be more than 150 leading metal forming and fabricating companies covering more than 33,000 net square feet of exhibit space, displaying the latest advancements in forming and fabricating technologies. FABTECH West runs Sept. 25-27 at the Anaheim Convention Center in Anaheim.

FABTECH West is sponsored by the Fabricators & Manufacturers Association, International (FMA) and the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME).

More than 5,000 company presidents, owners, engineers, manufacturing and production managers, research and development professionals, sales and marketing representatives and others are expected to attend.

FABTECH West conference activities begin with concurrent technical sessions and tutorials on high technology improvements in the forming and fabricating industry, job shop management, and the use of CAD/CAM in precision sheet metal fabricating.

Additional technical sessions include: -- Custom Roll Forming Tutorial -- Advanced Precision Sheet Metal -- Advanced Roll Forming -- Coordinate Measuring Machines Tutorial -- Shop Floor Scheduling Tutorial -- Statistical Process Control for Parts -- Manufacturing Opportunities in Environmental Control -- Just-In-Time for Job Shop Tutorial -- Punching and Shearing Tutorial All FABTECH West conference sessions are taking place at the Inn at the Park Hotel, Sept. 25-27.

Running concurrently with FABTECH West 1990, is SME's FINISHING West Conference and Exposition. Leading suppliers of advanced finishing systems demonstrate how emerging finishing and coating systems and design and engineering support services improve the quality of fabricated parts at FINISHING West.

SME, headquartered in Dearborn, Mich., is the premier international professional society dedicated to advancing scientific knowledge in the field of manufacturing.

FMA, based in Rockford, Ill., is the leading educational association devoted exclusively to the advancement of the metal forming and fabricating industry.

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#90260p5184 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - On Friday, Sept. 14, General Development Corporation (NYSE: GDV) filed a motion to gain approval for a Homesite Purchaser Assurance Program with the U.S. Bankruptcy court. The program helps to assure lot purchasers that upon completing payments they will receive a deed to an improved lot in one of the company's nine Florida communities. The program offers discounts from five to 25 percent to lot purchasers, with an additional discount for customers who pay their contracts off immediately.

"The main thrust of the program is the assurance that all customers who have a contract to purchase a lot from General Development will receive title to an improved lot once they finish their payments," GDC President and Chief Executive Officer Thomas Hutchison said.

"The initial concept of the plan has been very well received, and we hope to have approval soon, so it can be implemented," he said. "This is an important part of moving forward to bring the company out of the bankruptcy proceeding."

Hutchison said the program has three main goals: -- Satisfy the lot purchasers who make up the largest group of GDC creditors, by assuring them of a deed to a developed homesite and offering price discounts;

-- Maximize the value of the $1 billion portfolio of homesite contract receivables (including all principal and interest and $300 million in receivables which the company has sold) by encouraging more people to continue payments on their contracts; and

-- Reduce the company's future development obligations by not having to make

road and drainage improvements in areas where some of the unimproved lots are located.

Gordon Pfersich, senior vice president/operations, said that under the plan, all purchasers of lots in GDC's Florida communities who still have payments remaining on their contracts will be offered discounts on the original purchase price for their homesite, starting at five percent for those whose original purchase price was $18,000 or less, up to 25 percent for those whose original purchase price was $25,000 or more. Discounts will be limited to a maximum of 30 percent off the customer's remaining principal balance. For customers whose contracts included a graduated payment plan (which provided for monthly payment increases in each of the first five years of the contract) the program will reduce or eliminate the scheduled increases. Finally, those buyers who accept the program nd pay in full immediately will receive an additional 10 percent discount off their principal balance.

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MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - ULTIMAP International Corporation (NASDAQ: UMAP) today reported revenues of $926,018 for its second quarter ended July 31, 1990, up 7.4 percent over the $862,230 for the same period last year. Operations for the quarter resulted in a net loss of $268,785, or $.04 per share, compared to a net loss of $289,250, or $.06 per share for the same period last year.

Year-to-date revenues for the six months ended July 31, 1990, increased 63.5 percent to $2,229,342 compared to $1,363,593 for the six months ended July 31, 1989. Operations for the current six-month period resulted in a net loss of $555,955, or $.09 per share, compared to a net loss of $664,482, or $.14 per share for the same period last year.

Detailed statements of income for the quarters and six months ended July 31, 1990 and 1989 and balance sheets as of July 31, 1990 and 1989 follow.

"Sales for the second quarter were adversely affected by the inability of our computer workstation supplier, Hewlett-Packard, to fill orders for their new, high-performance engineering workstation. With these problems resolved and with a record backlog of orders to be filled during the remainder of this fiscal year, we anticipate much stronger results for the second half of the year," said ULTIMAP's vice president of finance, Ed Shelleny.

ULTIMAP International Corporation stock is traded nationally over- the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol "UMAP."

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. sales of the Genuine Swiss Army knife by Wenger, official supplier of knives to the Swiss Army since 1908, are up 65 percent over last year, according to Precise International, Wenger's exclusive U.S. importer. "Precise will sell about 850,000 units of the Wenger Swiss Army knife in 1990," said John Bergeron, Precise's chief executive officer, "nearly triple what we were selling just three years ago." The U.S. is the world's largest importer of Swiss Army knives.

Lewis Feldman, Precise's director of sales, said Wenger's U.S. resurgence is due largely to Precise's success in signing several major distributors and retailers including Gutmann Cutlery, the country's largest cutlery importer, Best Products, the catalog showroom retailer, and Buck Knives, the country's largest sports cutlery manufacturer. Gutmann and Best formerly sold Swiss Army knives by Victorinox, the only other company licensed by the Swiss Army to produce its knives.

Based on its success with the Wenger knife, Precise plans to introduce watches and sunglasses bearing the Wenger name and the Swiss cross insignia in early 1991. "Wenger hasn't put its name on anything other than a knife during its entire 98-year history," said Bergeron, "so their decision to work with us on this is significant."

Precise International is owned by Savest Ltd, a subsidiary of Aluminum Ltd Menziken, Menziken, Switzerland, a closely held conglomerate.

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Goulds Pumps, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: GULD), meeting in Rochester today, declared a regular quarterly dividend of 19 cents per share on the common stock outstanding.

The dividend is payable Oct. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 5, 1990.

This is the 75th consecutive quarterly dividend payment dating back to 1947.

Goulds Pumps, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of centrifugal pumps for industrial, agricultural, commercial and consumer markets. Corporate offices are located in Seneca Falls, N.Y.

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HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Car buyers will rate car salespersons in a new customer satisfaction program Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) is launching this fall.

The two-part program introduces a new Sales Satisfaction rating system and a certification program for dealership salespeople, who'll need a "passing grade" from their customers to become certified.

Tom Pappert, Vice President - Sales, for Chrysler, announced the program to U.S. dealers last week via Chrysler's national Dealer Satellite TV network.

"Our new Sales Satisfaction Index (SSI) and the Sales Certification program are industry firsts to the degree which they measure the salesperson's role in a car purchase," said Pappert.

"With SSI, a dealer has the means to listen to, evaluate and respond to the customer's input to the sales process. Pilot studies prove that the benefits are enormous.

"Our certification program raises the professional standards for salespersons which makes the customer's experience in the showroom more satisfying.

"Customer loyalty can't be won by having product quality alone," Pappert said. "Consumer perceptions about product quality are equally influenced by what happens at the dealership."

Chrysler will begin mailing SSI rating forms to customers in October and dealers will receive monthly reports in January.

Customer satisfaction surveys until now have focused on the delivery, preparation and product quality of the vehicle. However, Chrysler's new sales satisfaction survey also asks the buyer to grade the salesperson on courtesy, sincerity, availability, manner of greeting, overall appearance, product knowledge and explanation of price, warranty and delivery.

This questionnaire also asks consumers if they were offered a test drive and whether they'd make another purchase through the same salesperson.

In addition to grading salespersons, consumers will rate the dealership for its appearance, parking, pricing, service and location.

Surveys will be sent to buyers within a week after purchase.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Florida Power & Light Company's board of directors has appointed Thomas F. Plunkett plant vice president of the Turkey Point nuclear power plant, located in southern Dade County. Plunkett, a 28-year industry veteran, was most recently general manager of the River Bend nuclear power station for Gulf States Utilities Co. in Louisiana.

As plant vice president, Plunkett will be responsible for all phases of the site's nuclear operations, which includes two reactors and associated generating equipment, in addition to administrative and training facilities. He begins work Sept. 26.

Plunkett began his career in 1962 with McDonnell Douglas Corp.'s nuclear department, where he participated in studies of advanced reactor concepts. He worked for Indiana and Michigan Power Co. as a technical supervisor at the D.C. Cook nuclear plant and later moved to Illinois Power Co. as plant manager of the Clinton power station. He joined Gulf States Utilities Co. in 1984 as River Bend plant manager and was named general manager early this year.

Plunkett succeeds and will report to Kenneth N. Harris, whose promotion to senior vice president-nuclear operations was announced earlier this year. Harris is responsible for operations at both of FPL's nuclear power plants, Turkey Point and St. Lucie, which is located on Hutchinson Island. St. Lucie Site Vice President David A. Sager also reports to Harris.

FPL is the principal subsidiary of FPL Group, Inc. (NYSE: FPL) and is one of the nation's largest investor-owned utilities.

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NORTH WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Fingermatrix, Inc. (NASDAQ: FINX) announced today that it will supply over 250 Video Mint(R) live finger scanners to NBS Imaging Systems, Inc. (NBS) as part of a California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) computerized driver licensing system. The value of Fingermatrix' portion of the contract is approximately $350,000.

The California DMV contract calls for Fingermatrix Video Mint scanners to be installed at DMV locations statewide. Live scan fingerprints captured by the Mint (R) will be digitized and stored on a data base for retrieval and

printing.

The VIDEO MINT is a compact, self-contained solid state fingerprint scanner module. The fingerprint image captured by the scanner is exceptionally high acuity and resolution, making it an ideal input device for a wide variety of identification applications such as driver licenses, passports, and national identity cards.

NBS supplies over 50 percent of the nations photo driver licenses and has specialized in the issuance and security of driver licenses since 1958. NBS has developed and introduced the first cost-effective, centrally processed digitized imaging system specifically designed for the issuance of driver licenses.

California is the first state to implement this new technology. This pioneering program is being watched by state motor vehicle bureaus nationwide.

Fingermatrix, Inc. supplies automated biometric fingerprint systems to the commercial, industrial, government, and law enforcement markets.

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - ALLTEL Corporation (NYSE: AT) announced today that as part of its continuing strategy to focus on its four key business areas -- local telephone, cellular communications, information services and distribution -- it has decided to sell its gas operations. Stephens Inc. has been retained as an adviser to assist in the sale.

ALLTEL obtained the gas operations, which serve more than 67,900 customers in California, Oregon and Nevada, as part of its 1988 acquisition of CP National Corporation.

ALLTEL Corporation (AT) provides telephone service to more than 1.1 million customers in 25 states and has subsidiaries or investments in companies that provide cellular telephone, long-distance and information services, communications products and other related services.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines will inaugurate daily non-stop roundtrip service between Newark, N.J. and Ponce on Nov. 1, providing

the first such service ever between the mainland U.S. and Puerto Rico's second largest city.

Announcement of the planned service was made in Ponce today by The Hon. Rafael Hernandez-Colon, governor of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and a native of Ponce.

Under Eastern's schedule, Flight 925 will depart Newark daily at 7:15 a.m and arrive Ponce at 11:45 a.m. Return Flight 924 will depart Ponce at 12:50 p.m. and arrive Newark at 3:40 p.m.

Lowest unrestricted coach fare on the new service will be $248. Additionally, first class travel is offered for as low as $407 with three-day advance purchase of Eastern's new "Corporate Rate."

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#90260p5210 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrill Corporation (NASDAQ: MRLL) today announced that it has opened a financial printing servicing operation in Dallas, Texas. The operation includes full typesetting, printing and customer service capabilities.

John Castro, president and chief executive officer of Merrill Corporation, said of the opening, "We saw an immediate need to be able to provide service to financial printing clients in Dallas. We have served several of these clients over the weekend from our "hub" facility and our Denver service center and as of this morning we are fully operational in our Dallas office."

Merrill will be operating temporarily out of the former Pandick office on North Stemmons.

John Tuthill, who has joined Merrill and will act as president of the Dallas operation, said, "We are excited about this new opportunity with Merrill. I see Merrill as the premier financial printer in the industry and am pleased that they were able to step in and provide a continuation of service to our customers here."

Merrill Corporation is a leading provider of on-demand 24-hour-per- day typesetting, printing, document reproduction and distribution services to financial, legal and corporate markets. Merrill reported record earnings and record growth for the first six months of fiscal 1991, which ended July 31, 1990.

Merrill's new Dallas office joins offices in New York, Boston, New Jersey, Washington D.C., Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis/St. Paul, Denver,

Seattle, Portland, San Francisco, San Diego, Newport Beach, Los Angeles, as well as Merrill's foreign affiliates in Montreal, Toronto, London, Tokyo and Melbourne.

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LYNN, MA (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Turboprop engines made by GE will power the G.222 aircraft selected for the U.S. Air Force's C-27A intratheater airlifter program.

The team of Chrysler Technology Airborne Systems Inc. (CTAS) and Aeritalia won the $80.2 million initial production contract for five aircraft.

The first C-27A is expected to be delivered to Howard Air Force Base, Panama by August 1991. The aircraft will be used to move company-sized military units and their equipment to remote, unimproved airfields.

Aeritalia will supply the G.222 airframes, each powered by two GE T64/P4D turboprop engines, to prime contractor CTAS.

GE's 3,400 shaft horsepower T64/P4D will enable the aircraft to clear 50-foot obstacles with takeoff distances of 1,800 feet, and land within 2,000 feet.

"The short takeoff and landing demands of the C-27A program call for an extremely versatile and adaptable turboprop powerplant," said W.M. Meyer, manager of GE Aircraft Engines' T64 Programs. "The T64 family's distinguished history of military service around the world, and its demonstrated reliability, operability, and low life cycle cost make it the ideal powerplant for the Air Force's new airlifter."

The T64 engine family has accumulated more than seven million engine flight hours, and is currently in service on approximately 700 fixed-wing aircraft and helicopters operating in 29 countries.

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EATONTOWN, N.J. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntrex Incorporated (NASDAQ: STRX), which recently changed its fiscal year from a year ending in October to a year ending in April, announced today the results for the first quarter which ended July 29, 1990. The company reported revenues of $20.7 million for the three

months ended July 29, 1990 compared to $11.1 million for the three months ended July 28, 1989. The quarter ended July 29, 1990 represents the second full quarter of operations since the Lanier acquisition and the significant increase in revenues is primarily due to the expanded customer base resulting from the company's January 1990 acquisition of the former Lanier Business Systems unit of Harris Corporation. The company reported revenues for the three months ended April 29, 1990 of $21.9 million.

The net loss for the three months ended July 29, 1990 was $2.3 million or $.29 per share. This loss includes $830,000 of reduced gross margin as a result of the accounting treatment for the maintenance contracts acquired through the Lanier acquisition. These contracts were recorded at net cost to complete and there is no gross margin for these acquired contracts. This accounting treatment will continue for the next two quarters and will reduce gross margins by an additional $1.2 million. After Jan. 29, 1991, the company will not have to make this type of adjustment to reduce gross margins. Syntrex previously reported a loss of $6.3 million or $.83 per share for the three months ended April 29, 1990. The company reported earlier that $1.7 million of $6.3 million loss was attributed to non-recurring expenses incurred in connection with the Lanier acquisition. In addition, $1.3 million of the $6.3 million loss for the three months ended April 29, 1990 was attributed to the accounting treatment of maintenance contracts acquired from Lanier.

Dan Sinnott, chairman and CEO of Syntrex, said "after giving effect to all acquisition related accounting adjustments, the loss incurred for the three months ended July 29, 1990 was approximately $1.5 million vs. approximately $3.3 million for the three months ended April 29, 1990, adjusted for the same considerations."

Sinnott continued "the cost reductions and organizational consolidations resulting from the acquisition are starting to take hold." On Sept. 11, 1990, Syntrex announced that it had completed a major financial restructuring program and signed product and marketing agreements with Olivetti Office USA. Sinnott said "we believe that the recent restructuring program and the strategic partnership with Olivetti will give us a stronger presence in the marketplace and enhance our ability to generate profits."

Syntrex is a national Network System's Integrator. The company designs, implements and supports PC-based networks using Novell NetWare, Banyan VINES, and 3Com 3+Open network operating systems. With system engineering, service, and sales professionals in 40 cities, the company ranked as the fifth largest Network System's Integrator in 1989, according to LAN magazine.

SYNTREX INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

Three months ended:	7/29/90	7/28/89
Total revenues	$20,714,322	$11,108,442
Costs and expenses:		

Product sales and service	14,164,108	8,161,406
Development	475,389	700,119
Marketing, general and administrative	8,472,665	2,967,031
Other (income) expense - net	(105,084)	248,460
Total	23,007,078	12,077,016
Net loss	(2,292,756)	(968,574)
Net loss per common share	$(.29)	$(.13)
Wtd. avg. number of com. shares outstg.	7,795,348	7,425,754

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)

	7/29/90	7/28/89
Assets		
Cash and investments	$ 1,819,067	$ 3,162,637
Accounts receivable	22,796,526	8,711,774
Inventories	13,061,651	7,852,113
Other current assets	811,956	590,382
Total Current Assets	38,489,200	20,316,906
Equipment & leaseholds, net	3,338,896	3,883,396
Other assets	4,924,045	5,451,824
Total assets	46,752,141	29,652,126
Liabilities and shareholders' equity		
Current liabilities	28,580,818	8,983,850
Long-term obligs., less current portion	3,603,233	5,016,698
Long-term note payable to Harris Corp.	4,000,000	--
Excess of fair value of acquired net asset over cost	6,262,435	--
Shareholders' equity	4,305,655	15,651,578
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	46,752,141	29,652,126

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#90260p5226 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Geffen Records announced today it has terminated it's manufacturing and distribution deal with Def American Recordings.

Founded by producer Rick Rubin in September 1988, Def American includes recording artists The Geto Boys, Andrew Dice Clay, Slayer, Danzig, The Black Crowes, Wolfsbane, Trouble and The Four Horsemen.

A Geffen spokeswoman commented: "We find ourselves increasingly at odds with Def American's creative philosophy after decisions not to affix our logos to their albums by Clay, Slayer and finally, Danzig, followed by our refusal to distribute The Geto Boys album. Because we believe both in artistic freedom and the freedom to choose the direction of our company, we felt it would be most constructive to encourage Rick Rubin to find a manufacturer/distributor

with a greater affinity for the direction of his label. We wish Rubin continued success."

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#90260p5233 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Manville Corp. (NYSE: MVL) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have agreed to a Stipulation and Order of Dismissal regarding certain allegations made by the Department of Justice (DOJ) on behalf of the EPA.

DOJ had alleged in an August 1989 civil complaint that Manville violated a consent decree issued for the implementation of a remedial action plan for Manville's Waukegan, Ill., facility. Manville had always maintained that it fully complied with the consent decree and that no violations took place, but agreed to the settlement to resolve the case quickly, according to Dale D. Wheeler, Director of Real Estate, Manville Corp.

DOJ admitted as part of the settlement that it never alleged Manville ever intentionally violated the consent decree, and that there was never any actual harm to public health. As set forth in the stipulation and order of dismissal, Manville will pay the EPA a total of $165,000, which includes $95,000 as settlement for a claim of a civil penalty and $70,000 in costs sought by the EPA.

Manville and the EPA entered a consent decree with the court in March, 1988. The decree provided for the implementation of an agreed upon clean up plan by Manville at its Waukegan facility. DOJ had alleged that Manville had violated the consent decree by improperly grading a portion of the site, causing visible emissions of asbestos to occur briefly in the work area and failing to immediately halt work upon occurrence of visible emissions, as required by the consent decree.

"The bottom line is that we were able to reach an agreement regarding our Waukegan site without a lengthy and expensive litigation process which was to no one's benefit," Wheeler said. "Manville believes that it fully complied with the specifications at issue and this was supported by the firm that prepared the specifications. The most important thing to keep in mind is that nothing in the performance of the work caused any harm to human health or the environment. Now we can concentrate our resources completing some extra work on site not required by the consent decree."

Manville's Waukegan plant has been in operation since 1923 and manufactures a variety of building materials, including roofing products, insulation, floor tile, acoustic tile, flexboard and wallboard. During these operations, solid waste was generated, some of which contained asbestos.

Most all the waste generated at the plant was deposited in an on-site disposal area, which covers approximately 120 acres of the 300 acres owned by Manville at the Waukegan plant. Materials containing asbestos have not been used in the manufacturing process at the plant since 1982. There are no residential dwellings within one-half mile of the disposal area and access is restricted.

Manville is an international manufacturing and natural resources company headquartered in Denver. The company's primary businesses include building and engineered products, fiber glass and industrial insulation products, paper and wood products, packaging, roofing systems and filtration and minerals.

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#90260p5237 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKAWAY, N.J. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Osicom Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: OSIC) reported net income for the quarter ended July 31 of $122,622, or 4 cents a share, on sales of $11.4 million. In the year ago quarter, the company lost $1.7 million, or 57 cents a share, on sales of $20.7 million.

Gross margins for the July 31 period, the company's second fiscal quarter, more than doubled to 16.8 percent of revenue from 7.2 percent a year ago. The higher margins resulted from a planned change in product mix that increased sales of personal computer systems.

The revenue decrease between year's second quarter and this year's was due not only to a planned reduction of sales of lower margin computer enhancement products, but also a shortage of critical components, including certain microprocessor chips and high capacity disk drives, for personal computer systems. A seasonal slowdown in Europe and softness in the U.S. retail distribution channel further impacted revenues, the company said.

For the quarter just ended, the company increased working capital $342,000 to $578,000 due to net income combined with the recognition and deferral of foreign currency transactions.

Shareholders' equity at July 31 increased to $2.0 million from $1.6 million at Jan. 31, 1990.

For the six months ended July 31, net totaled $181,515 or 6 cents per a share, versus a loss of $2.3 million, or 72 cents a share, a year ago.

Separately, Osicom said it was unable to make a scheduled $3 million principal repayment to United Jersey Bank due today for borrowings to finance its European operations. The company is working with the bank to negotiate a new repayment schedule. During the past four fiscal quarters, Osicom repaid $4.5

million in loans to UJB, reducing its outstanding balance at July 31 to $9.7 million.

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#90260p5246 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

EBENSBURG, PA. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - A Bethlehem Steel Corporation transportation official told a U.S. House of Representatives subcommittee hearing here today that the government should renew its commitment to upgrade and repair the nation's highway system, and called for uniformity of transportation laws within the various states to reduce commercial shipping costs.

Lawrence A. Rogers, transportation representative for Bethlehem's Johnstown-based Bar, Rod & Wire division, told the House panel that "large parts of our highway system are in disrepair or resemble parking lots at peak hours." And, he said, the lack of a good transportation network tends to put American business at a competitive disadvantage in the international economy.

Rogers' testimony before the subcommittee of the House Public Works and Transportation Committee pointed out that Bethlehem Steel is both a supplier to, and a user of, the nation's highway system, shipping more than 400,000 truckloads of steel products last year from its various steel and manufacturing plants.

"The efficiency and safety of the highways directly affect our operations," he testified.

The subcommittee hearing was chaired by Rep. Norman Mineta of California, and was held here at the request of local Rep. John Murtha of Johnstown.

In emphasizing to the subcommittee the need to upgrade and repair the nation's highway system, Rogers said preference should be given American businesses in bidding on these projects. He cited statistics that show that every $1 billion spent for highways adds $2.4 billion to the national economy and creates 50,000 additional jobs.

"With such powerful multipliers favoring domestic sourcing, providing some preference more than pays for itself in the generation of additional tax revenues," said Rogers.

The Bethlehem representative stressed the need to establish "uniformity and reciprocity between the states on regulation, registration and taxation" as part of a new Federal Highway Program." He told the subcommittee that the reduced regulation of motor carrier entry and rates, which "has contributed

hundreds of billions of dollars in savings in interstate trucking since its adoption in 1980, should be extended to the intrastate operations of those same carriers."

He pointed to studies showing that continued economic regulation of trucking by states costs the national economy between $5 billion and $12 billion yearly and declared that the regulatory process denies the consumer the benefits of competition and forces motor carriers to operate unnecessary empty miles.

Rogers urged the subcommittee to include provisions in the 1991 highway reauthorization legislation that would allow the benefits of reduced state regulation to occur on intrastate truck movements.

He said Bethlehem Steel needs these legislative efficiencies to help reduce its transportation costs and thereby improve its competitive position both in this country and abroad.

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#90260p5252 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST BEND, WIS. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of the Ziegler Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: ZEGL), a financial services holding company, have declared a regular quarterly dividend of 13 cents per share on its common stock.

The dividends will be payable on Oct. 19, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 5, 1990.

CONTACT: Lynn Van Horn, senior vice president of finance for the Ziegler Company, 414-534-5521

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#90260p5254 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Exxon Co., U.S.A. (NYSE: XON) today announced that major contracts have been awarded to develop its Mobile Bay deep gas reserves offshore Alabama. John H. Steele, Exxon USA Eastern Production Division Manager, said the company plans to begin natural gas production operations in late 1993.

"The decision to develop these long life gas reserves is another indication of Exxon's interest in pursuing domestic energy opportunities," Steele said.

Prior to production, planned expenditures of $1 billion will be made for a 300 million cubic feet per day onshore gas treating facility, three offshore production platforms, pipelines, flowlines, and six additional wells to be drilled to an average depth of 22,000 feet. Production platforms will be

installed in state waters 15 to 45 feet deep in the Bon Secour Bay, Northwest Gulf, and North Central Gulf gas fields in coastal waters of Alabama. The treating facility, located in south Mobile County, is being designed to process the gas for sales into intrastate and/or interstate markets, while removing 150 long tons per day of sulfur from the produced gas.

Steele said, "Designs for the facilities will incorporate best available technologies, such as the use of special corrosion-resistant alloy metals, as part of Exxon's overall effort to ensure a safe, reliable, and environmentally sound operation."

H.B. Zachry, headquartered in San Antonio, Texas, was awarded a contract for engineering, procurement, and construction of the gas treatment plant. Stearns-Roger, based in Denver, Colo., is the engineering subcontractor. Peak construction employment will reach about 1,000 people in mid-1992. When fully operational, Exxon's Mobile Bay facilities will employ about 70 people.

Additional contracts have been awarded to Fluor, Ebasco, and Brown & Root for gathering system design, quality management services, and production facility and flowline designs, respectively. Contracts for fabrication and construction of these facilities and the offshore platforms will be awarded at a later date.

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#90260p5260 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - King World Productions, Inc. (NYSE: KWP) today announced that due to market conditions, it is withdrawing its previously announced offering of Merlin Program Capital.

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TAMPA, FLA. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Blevins Concession Supply Company, Inc. has completed a private placement of $1.35 million in common stock to European and U.S. investors on Sept. 7, 1990. Blevins has raised more than $5 million in capital to fund acquisitions during the past 24 months.

President Randall F. Greene said the company has tripled in size since relocating its headquarters to Tampa in April 1988. He added that annual revenues have grown from $13 million 28 months ago, when Blackburn & Company purchased the company, to more than $40 million today. The work force has grown from 75 to 140, including 18 based in Tampa.

Blevins has completed 10 acquisitions of concession supply companies since December 1988, including a popcorn processing plant in central Illinois. The company believes it is now the largest specialty distributor of concession products in the United States.

Blevins supplies popcorn, candy, paper products, janitorial supplies and other snack foods to movie theatres, stadiums, amusement parks, schools and concessionaires from 18 warehouse locations throughout the U.S.

Chairman and CEO William B. Blackburn said that the company has five additional acqisitions pending and expects annualized revenues of $75 million by 1991 year-end.

CONTACT: Rod Brooker of Fahlgren Martin Benito, 813-287-8200, or 813-823-1882 (Pinellas)

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REDWOOD CITY, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - VeriFone Inc. (NASDAQ: VFIC) today announced that its third quarter 1990 results, which will be fully reported in the third week of October for the period ending Sept. 30, will likely fall short of current estimates by Wall Street analysts who have been following the company.

"Revenue growth in the second half of 1990 has not met our internal expectations," said Hatim Tyabji, president and chief executive officer of VeriFone. "Business in our core financial market and in our rapidly expanding international markets continues to exceed our expectations, but not sufficiently to offset the shortfalls in other areas. The Petroleum business unit, as well as the emerging businesses of our North American Division, including Electronic Benefits Transfer and Multi-Lane Retail, as well as Petroleum, are behind plan."

In anticipation of slower revenue growth, the company has implemented cost containment measures and expansion controls which should sharply minimize expenditure increases.

VeriFone is a leading supplier of Transaction Automation systems used to deliver payment processing and other financial services to the retail and petroleum industries worldwide. In addition, VeriFone is developing new market segments for Transaction Automation, such as fast food, health care and government. The company has 30 offices located throughout North America and in London; Paris; Madrid; the Hague; Sydney; Taipei, Singapore; and Bangalore, India. VeriFone has shipped more than 1.5 million Transaction Automation systems to date.

CONTACT: Thomas W. Hubbs of VeriFone, 415-598-5548

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TAYLOR, MICH. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Heritage Bankcorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HEBC) today declared a quarterly dividend of 13 cents per share, payable Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 30, 1990.

Commenting on the announcement, E.G. Wilkinson Jr., president and CEO of Heritage Bankcorp, Inc., said, "This is the fourth consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid to our stockholders by Heritage Bankcorp, Inc. since our conversion to a stock company in August 1989."

Heritage Bankcorp, Inc., is the holding company for Heritage Federal Savings Bank. The bank serves Southeast and Northern Michigan through its home office and 46 full-service branch offices. Heritage Bankcorp, Inc. is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol HEBC.

CONTACT: E.G. Wilkinson Jr., 313-285-1010, or Faye M. Tabor, 313-246-1219, both of Heritage Bankcorp, Inc.

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#90260p5282 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Visual Understanding Systems Inc. (VISUS) announced today the introduction of two new versions of PaperSight, the "personal digital file cabinet," new PaperSight V1.2 and Professional PaperSight, for the NeXT computer.

PaperSight V1.2 is a stand-alone version, providing the user with a simplified document image management system that can dramatically increase personal productivity.

Professional PaperSight is a feature-rich, network version that provides document image management for an entire department or business.

Both versions of PaperSight enable users to scan any image from any piece of paper into the computer, where it is stored digitally in a "personal electronic file cabinet." The image of the document can then be accessed, edited, printed, faxed and re-filed, without ever having to touch the original piece of paper. By reducing or eliminating the handling of paper, PaperSight enhances a user's ability to manage the flow of documents and information within the office environment.

A unique document retrieval system based on annotation layers permits workers to quickly find information they need by referring to notes added to a document, such as the sender's name, address, topic, product sold, action

taken, or client identification.

PaperSight also supports the ability to non-destructively mark up text and annotate both voice and text. With Professional PaperSight, documents can be shared among workers, with each individual adding their own annotations. As a result, the software offers an ideal environment for executives to incorporate both written comments and voice notes during their review and mark-up of documents. For example, a manager could verbally communicate instructions or explain revisions on draft material with voice remarks that can be later replayed by staff personnel.

PaperSight can receive and transmit fax documents over standard phone lines. Documents can be sent from or received at any or all machines in a network. The images can then be printed like any other file.

PaperSight V1.2 on the NeXT computer is priced at $695; Professional PaperSight on the NeXT is $1,695. Until June 30, 1991, VISUS is offering $300 off on either PaperSight product, with the purchase of a NeXT computer. Call VISUS for details.

Visual Understanding Systems Inc. is a worldwide supplier of image technology. Since 1979, VISUS has offered a variety of high quality image scanning, image processing, pattern recognition systems and services to business, education and government markets.

CONTACT: Richard P. Smyth, president of VISUS, 1-800-36-VISUS

-30- 2854

#90260p5285 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Citing strong year-to-year improvement in its retail food and ShopKo businesses, Super Valu Stores, Inc. (NYSE: SVU), reported record sales and earnings for the second quarter and first half fiscal year.

Sales for the second quarter (ended Sept. 8, 1990) were $2.66 billion, 4.3 percent over one year ago. Net earnings were $28.56 million, an increase of 11.3 percent from the previous year. Earnings per share were 38 cents, an increase of 11.8 percent. Sales for the first two quarters (28 weeks) were $6.10 billion, 4.7 percent over last year, and first half earnings reached $69.91 million, an increase of 4.8 percent. Earnings per share for two quarters totalled 93 cents, up 4.5 percent.

Super Valu Chairman and CEO Michael W. Wright said that the results were generally in line with the company's expectations and that he remains confident the company is on target to meet year-end goals.

"We are very encouraged by the trends we see," said Wright. "We feel our

development of discount formats has positioned us well. Sales trends in our Cub Foods and County Market discount formats are the best we've seen. Further Twin Valu (the company's 180,000 square foot discount food and general merchandise supercenter) is showing great potential."

Wright said that the company's retail food operation was the most encouraging aspect of first half performance. "The performance of our corporate Cub Foods stores is truly exciting," he said. "Sales trends in comparable stores are excellent and new units are meeting or exceeding expectations. What's more the performance is broad-based, including Chicago and Denver, markets that will be valuable to us as we move forward." At the end of the second quarter Cub Foods stores number 82, with 47 franchised and 35 corporately owned units.

CONTACT: Mike Mulligan of Super Valu, 612-828-4441

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#90260p5287 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Glen Grambart has joined Telephone Specialists, Inc. (NASDAQ: TESP) as vice president-chief financial officer.

Before joining Telephone Specialists Grambart was chief financial officer with Rimage Corporation/IXI, a manufacturer of electronic equipment. He was also controller with Memory Banque Computers, Inc. and has held management positions in finance and accounting in the transportation and telephone systems industries.

The company also announced the promotion of Robert Reynolds to vice president-sales. He had been sales manager. Reynolds joined Telephone Specialists in 1985 as a salesman.

Telephone Specialists, based in New Hope, Minn., sells, installs and services business telecommunications systems throughout the Twin City metropolitan area and markets telephone accounting software products nationally.

Telephone Specialists, Inc. is publicly held. Its annual revenues are approximately $5 million.

CONTACT: Larry L. LaVercombe of Telephone Specialists, 612-533-7556

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#90260p5288 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA BARBARA, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Financial Corp. of Santa Barbara (NYSE: FSB) announced that it filed today a petition for voluntary bankruptcy under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

Philip R. Brinkerhoff, chairman of the board, president and chief executive

officer, said, "The purpose of this filing is to ensure an orderly disposition of the company's remaining assets. We have worked since April to liquidate most of the company's subsidiaries and other assets, and we have recently executed a consulting and stock purchase option agreement intended to achieve the maximum value for our one remaining operating subsidiary, a check processing company.

"The most significant group of creditors is the holders of Convertible Subordinated Debentures issued by Santa Barbara Savings and Loan Association. The Association defaulted on the Debentures soon after the Association's receivership in May 1990, and the Debenture trustee is looking for repayment form Financial Corp., as joint obligor on the Debentures. There are $8.4 million principal amount of Debentures now outstanding."

Brinkerhoff also said that the bankruptcy filing is not intended to affect the pending derivative suit to regain control of Santa Barbara Savings from the federal government, but declined to comment on the litigation.

CONTACT: Philip R. Brinkerhoff of Financial Corp. of Santa Barbara, 805-963-9252

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#90260p5295 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNETONKA, MINN. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Help/Systems, Incorporated, Minnetonka-based manufacturer of operations productivity software announced its merger with Help Acquisition Corporation was effective on Sept. 13, 1990. In accordance with the terms of the merger, shares of Help Systems are to be redeemed in cash for $.50 a share. Information on the redemption of shares has been mailed to shareholders.

CONTACT: Thomas F. Leahy, 612-933-0609, or Thomas I. Mueller, 612-935-3311, both of Help/Systems

-30- 694

#90260p5309 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDMONTON, ALBERTA (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Numac Oil & Gas Ltd. (Toronto: NMC) announced today its intention to purchase the outstanding common shares of Giant Reef Petroleums Ltd. (Vancouver: GRP) not currently owned by Numac for a cash consideration to be determined following an independent valuation of Giant Reef.

It is anticipated that the cash consideration will be determined and that a formal offer will be mailed to Giant Reef's shareholders prior to the end of October. Giant Reef has been advised that the offer will be conditional upon, amongst other things, Numac acquiring 90 percent of the outstanding common shares of Giant Reef that it does not already own. Numac currently owns

approximately 70 percent of Giant Reef's outstanding common shares. If Numac is successful in acquiring 90 percent of the outstanding common shares of Giant Reef that it does not already own, it is Numac's intention to initiate the legal proceedings necessary to acquire the remaining shares and amalgamate Giant Reef with Numac.

Giant Reef has advised Numac that it will be retaining an independent evaluator to value the Giant Reef common shares. Numac will be considering the valuation in determining the cash consideration to be offered to the Giant Reef shareholders.

The completion of the transaction will be subject to corporate board and regulatory approvals.

CONTACT: Dale. J. Hohm, VP, treasurer, of Numac Oil & Gas Ltd., 403-423-1718.

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#90260p5321 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - At its scheduled meeting in Montreal today, the board of directors of Repap Enterprises Inc. has declared its regular dividend of $0.07 per common share for its third financial quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990. The record date is the close of business on Sept. 28, 1990 and the payment date is Oct. 26, 1990.

In announcing the dividend, a spokesperson for the board stated, "Repap is starting to realize the benefits from its capital investment program. The company shipped a record 70,000 tons of coated paper in the month of August. Shipments during the first eight months of 1990 totalled 436,000 tons, an increase of 122,000 tons or 39 percent over the same period in 1989."

Repap Enterprises Inc. is a fully integrated North American coated paper and pulp company with coated paper operations in New Brunswick and Wisconsin, market pulp mills in British Columbia and in New Brunswick, and kraft paper mill in Manitoba.

CONTACT: Kathleen V. Cornish or Diane Chenevert of Repap Enterprises, 514-879-1316.

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#90260p5326 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - James G. Gantsoudes will join The First Boston Corporation as a managing director and head of the equity department, effective immediately, it was announced here today. Gantsoudes, 48, joins First Boston from Dillon, Read & Co. Inc., where he headed the equity group for the past five-and-one-half years.

Curtis R. Welling, who previously headed the equity department at First Boston has resigned to pursue other interests.

Archibald Cox, Jr., president and chief executive officer of the First Boston Corporation, said, "The equity area is vitally important to First Boston. We are fortunate to have attracted a manager of the caliber of Jim Gantsoudes to lead the equity side of our business. Combined with the talent we already have in place, Jim's leadership will enable First Boston to become an even greater factor in the equity marketplace."

Prior to his experience at Dillon Read, Gantsoudes headed equity sales and sales trading at Shearson Lehman Brothers. Before that he worked in equity sales at Morgan Stanley & Co., where he ultimately ran that function.

Gantsoudes said, "The 1990s will be a decade fueled by equity capital. First Boston has a terrific opportunity to be a predominant player in this area. I am extremely pleased to be part of the First Boston team."

Gantsoudes graduated from West Point in 1964 and after five years of active duty in the U.S. Army, entered the Harvard Business School where he received his M.B.A. in 1971.

The First Boston Corporation is a full service investment bank serving the Americas, with headquartered in New York. It is an operating unit of CS First Boston, Inc.

CONTACT: Susan Miller, 212-909-4573, or Jack Crowell, 212-909-4827, both of First Boston.

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#90260p5338 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Ormand Industries Inc. (AMEX: OMD) today reported a net loss of $131,750 (4 cents per share) on revenues of $759,200 for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $234,750 (8 cents per share) on revenues of $759,200.

While the foregoing results reflect only two weeks of operations related to IOI Acquisition Corp. (IOI), a subsidiary of the company since the June 19, 1990 acquisition of IOI, the company's results would have been vastly improved had IOI been acquired as of Jan. 1, 1990. During the first six months of 1990, IOI reported sales of $9,110,000 and pretax income of $529,400.

The company also announced that it had recently applied to the American Stock Exchange (AMEX) to (i) convert from unlisted trading status to fully listed trading status with respect to its common stock, and (ii) lift a trading halt which has been in effect since May 31, 1990. The company has been advised by

AMEX that AMEX has approved such applications and will permit trading to resume in the company's common stock on Sept. 19, 1990. The ticker symbol for the company's stock will remain the same: OMD.

CONTACT: Robert B. Crows of Ormand Industries Inc., 407-863-6666.

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#90260p5344 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard H. Hughes, chairman and chief executive officer of Hinderliter Industries Inc. (AMEX: HND) announced today they had sold its 73 percent interest in a limited partnership which owned and leased a building to Corken International and that Corken had entered into a new lease with the buyers for a period of 20 years. The facilities were sold for $2.3 million.

Hughes indicated that this transaction was an excellent one for Hinderliter and Corken. Hinderliter will book a $1.1 million profit in its first quarter, attributed to the sale of its partnership interests. Corken has been able to acquire additional land through the transaction, and by renegotiating Corken's lease for a longer period on substantially the same terms, Corken feels it will have improved its long term ability to service its customers.

CONTACT: Timothy W. Brasher, or Richard H. Hughes, 214-713-9081, both of Hinderliter Industries Inc.

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#90260p5352 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. today announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase was effective today at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay: $30.50 for West Texas Intermediate $28.50 for West Texas Sour $31.00 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E49. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Bonnie Chaikind, 415-894-1200, or Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440, both of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

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#90260p5353 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (NYSE: CHV) announced a change in the posted prices it will pay for crude oil from

California and Alaska fields. Postings are increased by varying amounts.

The change was effective today at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay: for 35 API -- Cook Inlet -- $29.80 26 API -- Buena Vista -- $28.15 19 API -- Huntington Beach -- $26.05 13 API -- Kern River -- $23.50 27 API -- Long Beach -- $28.75 13 API -- Midway Sunset -- $23.50 17 API -- Wilmington -- $25.35 The gravity adjustment scale is as follows: Above 40.0 deg. -- $0.000 per tenth degree API 34.0 to 40.0 -- $0.010 per tenth degree API Below 34.0 -- $0.035 per tenth degree API New prices for all fields are reflected in Chevron's California and Alaska Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-CA32. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Bonnie Chaikind, 415-894-1200; or Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440; both of Chevron Corp.

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#90260p5365 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUNTSVILLE, ALA. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Citizens Independent Bancorp (Huntsville, Ala.,) and First Commercial Bancshares Inc. (Jasper, Ala.,) (NASDAQ: FSCB) jointly announced today that the two organizations have signed a letter of intent, under the terms of which the shareholders of CIB will receive .9 shares of First Commercial common stock for each CIB share they own. The letter of intent contemplates that 100 percent of the outstanding shares of CIB will be exchanged for First Commercial shares. As of June 30, 1990, CIB and First Commercial had 660,952 and 3,707,813 shares of common stock outstanding, respectively. At the close of business on Sept. 14, 1990, First Commercial's stock was quoted as bid-$17.50, ask-$18.25.

The transaction is subject to due diligence, receipt of all necessary regulatory approvals, negotiation of a definitive agreement and the approval of CIB's shareholders.

Citizens Independent Bancorp is a one-bank holding company owning 100 percent of the capital stock of Citizens Independent Bank of Huntsville. As of June 30, 1990, CIB had total assets of $55.8 million.

First Commercial Bancshares Inc. is a four-bank holding company with subsidiary banks in Jasper (First National Bank of Jasper), Birmingham (First Commercial Bank), Tuscaloosa (The Bank of Tuscaloosa), and Montgomery (Sterling Bank). As of June 30, 1990, First Commercial has total assets of $719.1 million

CONTACT: Rob Couch of First Commercial Bancshares Inc., 205-868-4816

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#90260p6080 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLIFTON, N.J. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Panorama Press, Inc. today released the following:

Panorama Press, Inc., one of the larger sheetfed printers in the New York-New Jersey metro area, has purchased a time buy on WQXR, the classical music radio station of the New York Times. In and of itself, not earthshaking. However as far as anyone knows, Panorama is the first printer to advertise on WQXR.

Panorama's new marketing director, John Zalarick, formerly marketing director of the Bergen Record newspaper, said, "Panorama clients are high end, meticulous about their image and quality of their communications programs, and we have positioned ourselves in the same category.

"WQXR gives us an opportunity to reach advertising marketing professionals on adjacencies to the morning drive advertising and media news report."

The 32-year-old firm was located on 34th Street in Manhattan for 30 years before moving to Clifton a few years ago.

It lists among its clients the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Brooklyn Museum American Airlines, Lippincott & Margulies, and The Prudential Bache corporation.

In addition to its commercial printing division, Panorama operates FGI Doerfler, a division servicing major airlines, with a turn-key, menu management system; the Catalog division, Catalog King; and Panoscent, which prints scented cello bagged, safe, protected visual packaging for premiums and department store inserts.

Panorama has offices in New York City and Clifton and records sales of more than $14 million.

CONTACT: John Zalarick of Panorama Press, 212-594-6220, or 201-779-8900

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#90260p6084 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust (NASDAQ: CMETS), National Income Realty Trust (NASDAQ: NIRTS), Income Opportunity Realty Trust (AMEX: IOT), and Transcontinental Realty Investors, Inc. (NYSE: TCI) today announced dividends will be determined on an annual basis, after the trusts' calendar year end, compared with the current quarterly dividend policy.

The trusts intend to maintain annual distribution schedules as long as the uncertainties currently inherent in the real estate market continue. The minimum amount of distributions will be determined by the amount required to maintain real estate investment trust status, which is 95 percent of taxable

income.

However, pursuant to a previously-announced agreement, CMETS, NIRTS, IOT and TCI agreed to distribute at least $0.94, $1.96, $0.33, and $1.06 per share, respectively, prior to May 23, 1991. These per-share amounts are based on the current number of shares outstanding.

"The board of each trust determined it was in the best interest of the trusts, and consequently their shareholders, to adopt an annual distribution policy," said a spokesperson for the trusts.

"The trusts' cash reserves are modest and cash flows are variable because of the significant investments the trusts are making in improving their real estate portfolios and continuing uncertainty over the ability of many of the trusts' borrowers to meet their obligations. The instability of the real estate markets and the virtual non-existence of real estate financing dictate that we take a conservative approach."

Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust, National Income Realty Trust, Income Opportunity Realty Trust, and Transcontinental Realty Investors, Inc. are combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trusts which operate nationwide.

CONTACT: Jean Krone Bono, (214) 692-4800, for the REITS.

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#90260p6088 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALA CYNWYD, PA. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Ronald M. Whitfield, vice president of Charles River Associates Inc. (CRA), will lead a new joint project with The WEFA Group to assist clients in the chemicals and plastics industry.

The project will help industry executives with market forecasting, long- and short-term corporate planning, competitive analysis and pricing strategies. WEFA will make available to Whitfield its extensive technical data bases on prices, raw material supplies and sector-by- sector end uses. Whitfield will contribute his expertise on a wide range of business issues related to the chemicals and plastics industry.

"Our relationship with Dr. Whitfield will help us to further broaden our expertise beyond data, software and economic forecasting, for which we are traditionally known, to market research, planning and pricing strategies. This will enable us to better serve our clients in the chemicals and plastics industry," said Bill Mundell, chief operating officer of WEFA.

The WEFA Group is the world's first and oldest economic forecasting firm. Founded by Nobel Prize-winning economist Lawrence R. Klein in 1963, The WEFA

Group provides its forecasting and consulting capabilities to some 3,000 corporations, financial institutions and governments worldwide.

Whitfield is an expert consultant on the chemicals and plastics industry. His 15 years of consulting experience in domestic and international markets includes competitive analysis, pricing, forecasting the demand for chemical products, long-range planning and analysis of the economic impact of changes in such environmental regulations as Superfund and TSCA. He has testified before Congress on international competition in the chemicals industry and the impact of gasoline shortages on the chemicals industry. Previously, Whitfield was a vice president of DRI/McGraw-Hill, where he developed and managed its Chemical Services.

Whitfield holds a Ph.D. in business and applied economics from the University of Pennsylvania. His publications include the book "Library Planning and Decision-Making Systems," and co-authorship of the monograph "Oil Price Decontrol." He is active in many professional organizations in the chemicals and plastics industry.

CONTACT: Dick Williams or Lorna Meyers of The WEFA Group, 215-667-6000

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#90260p6094 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Quadra Logic Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: QLT, TSE VSE: QLTIF) today reported second quarter net expenditures of Cdn.$2,951,661 ($0.23 per share) as compared to net expenditures of Cdn.$2,992,364 ($0.30 per share) in the second quarter of 1989. For the six months ended July 31, 1990, the company incurred net expenditures of $5,101,332 ($0.40 per share) as compared to net expenditures of $5,797,234 ($0.61 per share) in the same period of fiscal 1989.

The company's total revenues for the six months ended July 31, 1990 were $2,283,385 as compared to $970,876 in the same period in the prior fiscal year. The increase in revenues relates to increased sales of fiber optics and higher interest income due to surplus cash balances. The company expects research and development expenditures to continue at their current level for the rest of the fiscal year reflecting the result of additional preclinical and clinical studies in the use of PHOTOFRIN porfimer sodium and BPD in the treatment of cancer, venereal warts and the inactivation of viruses in blood.

As of July 31, 1990, QLT's available cash resources were Cdn.$29.5 million or cash per share of $2.33.

QLT is a biopharmaceutical company principally engaged in the development and commercialization of photosensitive drugs that are activated by light. The focus of the company is in Photodynamic Technology (PDT), using light-activated drugs for the diagnosis and treatment of disease. The company

has emphasized its product development in the areas of cancer, imaging, sexually transmitted diseases, viral inactivation in blood and atherosclerosis.

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QUADRA LOGIC TECHNOLOGIES INC.
(In Canadian Dollars)

Three Months Ended July 31:	1990	1989
Revenue	$1,343,484	$443,120
Costs and expenses	4,295,145	3,365,484
Net loss	$(2,951,661)	$(2,992,364)
Loss per common share	$(0.23)	$(0.30)
Wtd. avg. shares outstdg.	12,660,762	9,440,000
Six Months Ended July 31:	**1990**	**1989**
Revenue	$2,283,385	$970,876
Costs and expenses	7,384,717	6,768,110
Net loss	$(5,101,332)	$(5,797,234)
Loss per common share	$(0.40)	$(0.61)
Wtd. avg. shares outstdg.	12,656,448	9,430,000

CONTACT: Sarah MacT. Davidson, manager-investor relations of Quadra Logic Technologies, 604-872-7881

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#90260p6095 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST HARTFORD, CONN. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Albert E. Miller, chairman of Royalpar Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROYL), today announced results of operations for Royalpar's second quarter ended July 31, 1990.

Miller noted that, for the three-month period ended July 31, 1990, Royalpar lost $262,666 on revenues of $14,074,686. Miller attributed the loss primarily to operating losses occurring at Royalpar's wholly owned subsidiary, Chase Adams, Inc., and to adjustments in amortization of costs incurred in the acquisition of Chase Adams by Royalpar in June 1989.

For the corresponding period of last year, Royalpar earned $141,465 on revenues of $16,342,054.

On Aug. 28, 1990, Royalpar announced a proposed merger with Raycomm Transworld Industries, Inc.

Miller today re-emphasized the importance of the Raycomm merger to the long-term prospects for Royalpar and its shareholders, noting that the merger would accomplish cost savings through the elimination of duplicated overhead and consolidation of regional offices.

ROYALPAR INDUSTRIES, INC.

Periods ended July 31	Three Months 1990	Three Months 1989	Six Months 1990	Six Months 1989
Net revenues	$14,074,686	$16,342,054	$29,446,709	$31,876,348
Income (loss) from operations	(324,354)	355,370	(212,777)	612,021
Net income (loss)	$(262,666)	$141,465	$(381,514)	$250,196
Primary earnings (loss)	$(.10)	$.04	$(.08)	$.06
Average common shares outstanding	3,814,458	5,224,363	3,833,612	5,165,373

CONTACT: Albert E. Miller, chairman of Royalpar, 203-953-6315; or Sam Witchel of Scharff, Witchel & Co., 212-983-1060, for Royalpar

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#90260p6097 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

OTTAWA, ONTARIO (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - SHL Systemhouse Inc. (NASDAQ: SHKIF; Toronto and Montreal: SHK) of Ottawa today announced productivity and expense control measures in its Systemhouse business unit for its 1991 fiscal year, beginning Sept. 1, 1990. Similar measures were implemented during the 1990 fiscal year in its ComputerLand Canada subsidiary.

These measures are being taken in the context of an extremely strong financial position that sees the company with working capital of $123 million, of which $73 million is in cash, and shareholders' equity of $256 million.

The announcement follows actions taken during the past several weeks to streamline the organization of SHL Systemhouse Inc. and to increase the effectiveness of its sales organization. The combined emphasis on sales and productivity is designed to improve Systemhouse profit margins in fiscal 1991 in what the company expects to be a very competitive atmosphere within a potentially recessionary market.

Roderick M. Bryden, chairman of SHL Systemhouse Inc., said, "Business and government in Canada and the United States face probable recession or very small growth in 1991 and will also be impacted by rapidly changing national and world conditions. Our plan for fiscal 1991 reflects the need to restrain expenses and be more effective in winning business, relying upon our record of quality and our 16 years of experience in designing and implementing complex computer systems. While recognizing that revenue opportunities may be substantially greater, we expect revenue growth in our Systemhouse unit of 12 percent to 15 percent in 1991 with improved predictability and profit generated by productivity gains.

"In Systemhouse, about 80 percent of our operating expenses are salary and fringe benefits to employees. To achieve significant results, we must increase our operating revenue earned per dollar spent on employee costs,"

Bryden said.

Systemhouse's business plan for fiscal 1991, which began Sept. 1, includes three significant measures, following the organizational changes put in place in July and August:

-- For all management in all branch and corporate offices, 6 percent of their 1990 base salaries and all previously planned 1991 increases have been shifted into a special incentive plan to be paid out for exceeding budgeted net income for the profit center where each manager works. This shift to greater incentives affects approximately 150 people in Canada, the United States and the United Kingdom and will reduce base salary expenses by approximately $2 million.

-- Hiring of new employees will be closely monitored to ensure that the company delivers 12 percent to 15 percent more operating revenue return on employee costs. This will permit Systemhouse to continue to pay competitive salaries for staff while reducing total employee expenses by approximately $7 million.

-- Expenditures for all other expense categories will be reduced by approximately $1 million.

"We believe that these actions, and the organizational adjustment previously announced, will position Systemhouse well to achieve solid and predictable profits in fiscal 1991 while remaining a preferred employer," concluded Bryden.

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BOONTON TOWNSHIP, N.J. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Optronics Corporation (NASDAQ: DOCC), a manufacturer of defense electronic systems and coherent laser radar and measurement systems, announced today that it has been awarded a $3.7 million contract by Digital Signal Corporation of Springfield, Va.

The contract is for the manufacture of window assemblies and transmitters for the U.S. Army's ALQ-44 Infrared Countermeasure System, of which Digital Optronics is the current producer.

According to Terence C. Byrne, Jr., Digital Optronics' president and chief executive officer, "The ALQ-144 is currently in use in over 3,000 U.S. Army helicopters. The system directs pulses of infrared energy at a heat seeking missile's guidance system in order to confuse it and deflect it from its path toward the target."

Production is to begin immediately, according to the Byrne, and is expected to

continue through calendar year 1991.

"This contract increases Digital Optronics' backlog for the ALQ-144 product line to approximately $8.5 million for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1990. We are currently finalizing negotiations for further orders for this system and expect the backlog to exceed $11 million over the next three months," he added.

As of June 30, 1990, including its ALQ-144 product line, the company had a total backlog of approximately $25 million.

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#90260p6100 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FLA. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Major Group, Inc. (NYSE: MJR), a Florida-based commercial real estate services company, and Major Realty Corporation (NASDAQ: MAJR), a Florida-based real estate company which owns or holds interests in approximately 630 acres of Florida land, principally in the Orlando area, including a 270-acre parcel adjacent to Universal Studios, announced today that they have entered into a Management and Advisory Agreement effective Sept. 1, 1990.

Under the agreement, Major Group will provide real estate advisory services, as well as day-to-day managerial and administrative services and personnel to Major Realty. Major Group has been providing these services to Major Realty under an interim agreement since November 1989.

Under the agreement, Major Realty will pay Major Group an annual fee of $1,850,000, which is subject to adjustment in the event any of Major Realty's properties are sold or additional properties or other assets are acquired. The agreement also provides for Major Group to receive additional fees if it assists Major Realty with the sale, exchange or lease of any of its properties to third parties.

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#90260p6106 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD BEACH, FLA. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Devcon International Corp. (NASDAQ: DEVC) announced today that its board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of five cents per share payable Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990.

Donald L. Smith Jr., chairman and president of the heavy construction and

concrete and related materials company, said, "This Board action reflects the company's healthy cash flow." He added that the company presently intends to continue regular quarterly cash dividends.

Approximately 4,296,000 common shares are currently outstanding. Devcon operates ready-mix concrete and aggregate plants and performs harbor-dredging and other heavy construction work on St. Thomas and St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands, on the independent island of Antigua and on St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles. In South Florida, where the company is headquartered, Devcon is in the heavy construction business, mainly preparing sites for shopping malls, residential developments, country clubs and industrial parks.

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#90260p6114 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Bank of Tokyo announced today the appointment of Koretsugu Kodama as resident managing director for the Americas and chairman of The Bank of Tokyo Trust Company.

Kodama, who has been managing director in charge of corporate banking at The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd. in Tokyo, succeeds Kenji Yoshizawa who is returning to Japan as deputy president. During his tenure in New York, Yoshizawa solidified The Bank of Tokyo's position as the largest foreign bank in the United States. Yoshizawa has driven the bank's strategic expansion in North America, including the strengthening of its financial services capabilities through the purchase of BancNewEngland Leasing Group and creation of a new subsidiary, BOT Financial Corporation in Boston.

Kodama brings to his new position broad and keen knowledge and experience in the corporate banking field, where he has spent most of his banking career. He is especially strong in business promotion.

Kodama joined The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd. following his graduation from the law faculty of Keio University in 1957. He has held a variety of executive positions in the bank's overseas offices in Los Angeles, Kuala Lumpur and London. Upon his election to the bank's board in 1986, Kodama was made general manager of the Marunouchi office and in 1988 was appointed managing director in the Corporate Banking Division.

Kodama, an avid reader and golfer, undertakes his role as resident managing director for the Americas of The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd. and chairman and chief executive officer of The Bank of Tokyo Trust Company at a time when The Bank of Tokyo is realizing its greatest growth in its long history.

The Bank of Tokyo is Japan's foremost international bank, founded in 1946 as the successor to the Yokohama Specie Bank formed in 1880, and has assets of more than $240 billion and a worldwide network of more than 330 overseas offices, including those of its 21 overseas subsidiaries and associated institutions.

The Bank of Tokyo is the oldest foreign bank on the American continent and has 110 years of experience in the U.S. market. It is also recognized as the largest of the 675 foreign banks operating in the United States with assets of $47.2 billion, consisting of eight agencies and branches and three representative offices of The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd. and eight subsidiaries and associated institutions. It has a total staff of more than 8,800 in the United States, of which only 220 are Japanese. Its largest and principal subsidiaries in the United States are The Bank of Tokyo Trust Company on the East Coast with assets of $8.9 billion and Union Bank on the West Coast with assets of $16 billion.

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#90260p6117 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

FLAT ROCK, MICH. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Mazda Research and Development of North America, Inc. (MRA) announced today it will expand its Flat Rock facilities to include testing for local parts development and added development staff for the new operations.

The MRA office in Flat Rock undertakes the development of locally procured parts. The new facilities, which are located in the Flat Rock building, adjacent to Mazda Motor Manufacturing (USA) Corporation (MMUC), have been dedicated today.

The new testing facilities enable Mazda to localize testing and evaluation of locally sourced parts, thus facilitating joint development with North American suppliers from the early development stage. The time it takes to test parts can also be shortened, as a result.

The new facilities feature three hydraulic actuators, an environmental chamber an electric dynamic shaker and other equipment, all procured from U.S. suppliers.

Local parts that will be tested at the new $1.5 million facilities include interior plastic trims, audio components, and suspension components, such as lateral arms, bushes and struts.

MRA plans to introduce additional equipment as the number of parts to be tested increases in the future.

Initially, six employees have been required to staff the new facilities, raising the total number of staff members at MRA in Flat Rock to 45 people. The number of employees who engage in local parts development could grow to more than 70 within the next few years.

"The new testing facilities enable MRA to further accelerate localizing its development and engineering in North America and to achieve our goal of local content, in cooperation with local suppliers," said Hiroshi Ozeki, MRA executive vice president of eastern operations.

Mazda plans to attain 70 percent to 75 percent of local content at MMUC by 1992. Current local content at MMUC is 65 percent.

MRA employs some 150 people nationally, over 60 of whom are located in Southeast Michigan. While the majority of employees are based at the company's headquarters in California, MRA also has R&D centers in Ann Arbor and in Flat Rock. The Ann Arbor office conducts emission engineering, while the Flat Rock office concentrates on local parts development and air conditioning system engineering.

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#90260p6118 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, S.C. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - National microcomputer distributor Gates/FA Distributing (NASDAQ: FACO) has signed a major distribution agreement with ALPS America, a division of ALPS Electric (USA) Inc. of San Jose, Calif.

Under the terms of the agreement, Gates/FA will distribute ALPS America's full line of dot-matrix and page printers to dealers, value added resellers, and system integrators nationwide, using Gates/FA's recently implemented service providing customers overnight delivery at ground rates.

ALPS America, a privately-held firm whose parent company is Japanese electronics manufacturer ALPS Electric Co. Ltd., one of the Fortune International 500, ranks among the top 15 in a field of nearly 50 dot- matrix printer competitors.

ALPS is known for its sturdy, high-quality printer products which include standard features that other printer manufacturers offer as options. ALPS printers include such advanced attributes as paper parking, optional font modules, multiple, downloadable fonts, expandable print buffers, and color output.

ALPS pioneered the "flatbed" design, giving printers jam-free operation. Called the Allegro series, the 24-pin dot-matrix machines fill a variety of

business applications needs.

Phil Ellett, executive vice president of Gates/FA, believes the addition of ALPS will enhance the distributor's product mix. "There has been a good demand from our resellers to offer the ALPS line, and the innovative flatbed printers are particularly popular," asserts Ellett.

According to Steve Kadash, vice president of marketing and sales of ALPS America, "Gates/FA has a very solid reputation. This partnership provides ALPS America with an excellent opportunity to strengthen its distribution sales network."

Gates/FA Distributing is a national distributor of a select number of high-quality microcomputer product lines. Serving only the reseller, Gates/FA offers "Next day/No Extra Cost!" delivery from its centralized- hub warehousing facility. The corporate headquarters is located in Greenville, S.C. at 803-234-0736. The national toll-free sales telephone number is 800-332-2222.

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#90260p6120 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Frank C. Alexander, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Intermark, Inc., (AMEX: IMI) has been named a Trustee of the Financial Executives Research Foundation, the research affiliate of the Financial Executives Institute ("FEI"). The leading advocate for the views of corporate financial management, FEI is a professional association of 13,500 senior financial officers of large and mid-sized U.S. and Canadian companies.

As an independent professional research organization, The Financial Executives Research Foundation is noted for its authoritative studies in the fields of financial control and reporting, information systems, management, pensions & benefits and taxation. Its annual research budget of over $1 million is financed entirely from contributions by industry sponsors and FEI members and from the sale of research publications.

In commenting on his appointment, Mr. Alexander stated, "I am pleased to begin this association with Financial Executives Research Foundation. Its financial resources and independence give it unique credibility and the capacity to address the complex management issues of the nineties."

Mr. Alexander has been associated with Intermark as a senior executive since 1980. Prior to that time he held similar positions with The Susquehanna

Corporation and Science Applications International Corporation and with the national accounting firm of Price Waterhouse. In 1988-1989 he served as President of the San Diego Chapter of FEI.

Intermark is a $2 billion operating/holding company whose business is to acquire a controlling interest in, operate and add value to well-established mid-sized American growth companies in broadly diverse industries.

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#90260p6121 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - General Mills (NYSE: GIS) today reported a 16 percent gain in earnings per share from continuing operations for the first quarter of fiscal 1991. The board of directors also declared a 100 percent stock dividend.

Earnings per share reached $1.51, compared with $1.30 earned by continuing operations a year ago. Earnings of $123.8 million represent a gain of 15 percent. Sales grew 16 percent to $1.74 billion, well above the growth rates of the markets in which the company competes.

Chairman Bruce Atwater told shareholders at the company's 62nd annual meeting that record first quarter performance was the result of continued good operating gains by both Consumer Foods and Restaurants. He cited package food unit volume growth of 11 percent in Consumer Foods, growth in established restaurant units and continued rapid new unit expansion, as well as excellent expense control throughout the company as key performance factors. "We expect 1991 to be another year of record sales, earnings and earnings per share," he said.

Prior to the annual meeting, the board of directors approved a quarterly dividend payment of 64 cents per share, payable Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 10. The 64-cent rate was established with the Aug. 1 payment and represented a 16 percent increase. This ensures a 26th consecutive year of dividend growth.

The board also voted a 100 percent stock dividend. Stockholders of record Oct. 10 will receive one additional share of General Mills stock for each share then owned. The additional shares will be distributed to shareholders beginning Nov. 7, one week later than the cash dividend payment. Future dividend payments will be consistent with the company's existing policy of maintaining a dividend payout of approximately 50 percent of earnings.

In other actions, shareholders re-elected 15 directors and elected Dr. Gwendolyn A. Newkirk to the board. Dr. Newkirk, professor and chairman of the

department of Consumer Science and Education at the University of Nebraska, previously served on the General Mills Board from 1975 to 1989.

GENERAL MILLS -- EARNINGS HIGHLIGHTS
(Amounts in Millions, Except Per Share Data)

	13 Weeks Ended	
	8/26/90	8/27/89
Continuing operations:		
Sales	$1,739.5	$1,501.8
Earnings after tax	123.8	107.2
EPS(1)	1.51	1.30
Results after discontinued operations		
Discontinued operations after tax(1)	5.7	7.7
Net earnings	$129.5	$114.9
EPS-Net earnings(1)	$1.58	$1.39
Average shares outstanding	82.1	82.4

(1) On Sept. 17, 1990, the board of directors declared a two-for- one- stock split effected in the form of a 100 percent stock dividend whereby each share of common stock issued and outstanding at the close of business on Oct. 10, 1990, shall be entitled to receive an additional share of common stock. The shareholders quarterly report will reflect the restated EPS -- Continuing Operations of $.75 and $.65, and EPS - Net Earnings of $.79 and $.70 for fiscal 1991 and 1990, respectively.

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#90260p6128 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Penril Corp. (AMEX: PNL) today announced record revenues and earnings for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

Fiscal 1990 net profits increased 28 percent to $5,416,000, compared to $4,201,000 for the prior year. The earnings per share, fully diluted, rose to $1.11 from 90 cents. Sales were $46,592,000, compared to $42,212,000 in fiscal 1989.

Profits for the fourth quarter were $2,049,000 on sales of $13,740,000, compared to profits of $1,642,000 on sales of $12,135,000 in last year's fourth quarter.

Henry Epstein, the company's chairman, commented: "We are pleased to report

another year of extraordinary growth. Penril has become an important data communication company with over 75 percent of its revenues from that rapidly growing market. We are hoping to grow even faster in fiscal 1991, aided by many new DataComm products nearing completion in Engineering -- Penril has also gathered financial strengths. Our cash balance exceeds the remaining long-term debt. We still have over $10 million in carry-forward tax benefits and our credit lines will support both internal and external growth."

Penril Corp. is listed on the American Stock Exchange and manufactures data communications equipment and test and measurement instruments.

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#90260p6134 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - J.E. Robert Companies (JER) today assumed control of the $2.4 billion in University Federal Savings Association assets awarded by the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC). The contract to manage and dispose of the assets is the largest awarded to date by the RTC.

Under the terms of the agreement, J.E. Robert will undertake a multimillion-dollar contract over three years to manage and dispose of assets with an approximate book value of $2.4 billion. The assets are non-performing commercial loans and commercial properties that were owned by University Federal Savings Association, Houston.

The company will be paid approximately $21.8 million to manage the properties over the three years, and an estimated $19.6 million to dispose of the properties over that same period. The actual management fee and property disposition fee earned will depend on the contractor's performance. Under the RTC's asset disposition incentive system, the amount of fees earned depends on both the speed of property sales and the amount of cash recovered.

The assets include approximately $1.5 billion in non-performing commercial loans and $835 million in commercial real estate owned by University Federal. The asset pool includes 441 non-performing commercial real estate loans with a book value of $975.6 million; 160 non-performing land loans with a book value of $568.4 million; 110 foreclosed commercial properties with a book value of $266 million; and 297 parcels of land with a book value of $569.2 million.

J.E. Robert Companies is one of the largest asset workout companies in the country and is currently responsible for the management or oversight of nearly $10 billion in assets. Headquartered in Alexandria, Va., the firm has regional offices in every major market in the nation.

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#90260p6135 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has announced the settlement of a lawsuit against Bohemia Inc., Eugene, Ore., citing the construction and operation of two wood-fired boilers at its Placer County, Calif. facility without proper federal permits.

Under terms of the consent decree lodged Sept. 14, 1990 in Sacramento in the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California, the company will correct violations of the federal Clean Air Act at its Lincoln, Calif. lumber mill, and pay a penalty of $350,000.

"This is a record-breaking penalty for the western United States, which should act as a deterrent to potential violators," said Daniel W. McGovern, regional administrator of EPA's western regional office.

Bohemia had failed to obtain a prevention of significant deterioration (PSD) permit, required by EPA to maintain air quality in Placer County. Bohemia will correct this violation by applying for the proper permit.

In addition, Bohemia failed to install emission controls called for under federal PSD regulations. Bohemia has agreed to install an electrostatic precipitator to control particulate emissions, and an ammonia injection system for the proper control of nitrogen oxide and carbon monoxide emissions.

"By complying with the requirements of the law, Bohemia will contribute to the maintenance of cleaner air in Placer County," McGovern said.

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#90260p6138 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
GALVESTON, TEXAS (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Hornbeck Offshore Services Inc. (NASDAQ: HOSS) announced today that it has reached an agreement to purchase two modern, fully equipped offshore supply vessels in the 170 foot to 185 foot range from Offshore Express Inc., of Houma, La. The transaction is expected to close on or before Oct. 1, 1990.

Hornbeck Offshore Services Inc. is engaged in the offshore marine services business, primarily serving the oil and gas industry in the Gulf of Mexico through its operation and management of a diversified fleet of 32 vessels consisting of supply, tug-supply, utility, crew and geophysical vessels. The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol HOSS.

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#90260p6141 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of NBD Bancorp (NYSE: NBD) today declared a quarterly dividend of 35 cents per share, payable Nov. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 22, 1990.

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#90260p6144 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Scott & Stringfellow Financial, Inc., (NASDAQ-NMS: SCOT) has declared its first quarterly dividend for fiscal 1991 of six cents per share of common stock payable to shareholders of record October 8, 1990.

In making the announcement, Francis A. Pineno, president and chief executive officer, said the dividend would be payable to shareholders on October 15, 1990. The company has 1,862,143 common shares outstanding as of September 7, 1990.

Scott & Stringfellow Financial, Inc. is the holding company of Scott & Stringfellow Investment Corp., a regional stock brokerage, financial services and investment banking firm headquarterd in Richmond, Virginia. The common stock of the holding company has been traded in the Over-the Counter market since an initial public offering in November, 1986. The firm has 24 branches throughout Virginia, North Carolina and West Virginia and 375 employees of which 165 have full-time Investment Broker positions.

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#90260p6148 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - General Signal Corporation (NYSE: GSX) announced today that its previously announced agreement to sell its Ultratech Stepper unit to New Enterprise Associates has been canceled by mutual agreement of the parties.

General Signal also announced that Arthur W. Zafiropoulo has been named president of Ultratech. Zafiropoulo, a 25-year veteran of the semiconductor industry, most recently headed General Signal's international semiconductor

operations and was president of the company's Kayex unit. He also founded Drytek, a leading manufacturer of dry etching systems for semiconductor production, in 1980 and served as its president and chief executive officer through its acquisition by General Signal in 1986.

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#90260p6150 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Lufthansa will begin Berlin flights on Oct. 28, an historic moment for the German airline which has been unable to serve the city since 1955 because of Allied restrictions on the air corridors imposed in 1945.

Announcement of Lufthansa's new Berlin services follows the completion of the "two-plus-four" talks and the signing of the treaty, in Moscow on Sept. 12, in which the Allies relinquished all their rights in Germany, thus leaving the two Germanies free to reunite on Oct. 3.

Lufthansa will begin domestic, intra-European and intercontinental Berlin flights with the start of its winter timetable on Oct. 28, pending approval of its applications filed with the German Transport Ministry. flights will be substantially increased in the spring of 1991.

Lufthansa's historic first flight from the United States to Berlin will operate from Newark International Airport on Oct. 28. The airline plans daily direct service to Berlin in its winter schedule, and will begin daily nonstop service next spring.

The German carrier is planning services to both airports in Berlin -- Tegel and Schoenefeld. The Newark-Berlin flights using A310-300 aircraft will operate to Schoenefeld.

To Tegel, Lufthansa will operate daily flights from Cologne-Bonn, Frankfurt, Dusseldorf, Stuttgart, Munich and Hamburg. Additional flights from other German cities will be added at the earliest possible date.

Lufthansa's European services will begin with several weekly flights and will operate to both Berlin airports -- London, Milan and Zurich flights will be to Tegel, while Athens, Brussels, Rome, Warsaw and Istanbul flights will use Schoenefeld.

Intercontinental flights are planned twice weekly to Beijing and Tokyo, subject to negotiations. Two weekly flights are also planned to Bangkok and one to Singapore, all with stops in Dubai.

Lufthansa German Airlines' history dates back 64 years to its original

founding in January 1926 in Berlin. Re-established in 1954, the new Lufthansa began flying again on April 1, 1955, and, just two months later, on June 8, 1955, resumed intercontinental flights by establishing service to the United States.

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#90260p6156 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - "Marked for Death," an action-thriller starring Steven Seagal, America's hottest action star, is set to open in theaters nationwide on Friday, Oct. 5, it was announced today, by Twentieth Century Fox.

Seagal stars as John Hatcher, a retired DEA agent who returns home only to find that the nation's number one problem is ravaging his old neighborhood, in the form of a fearsome drug dealer named Screwface.

Also starring in "Marked for Death" are Joanna Pacula ("In a Safe Place," "Gorky Park") and Keith David ("Platoon," "Men At Work").

Steven Seagal brings his unique action style to the screen for the third time in "Marked for Death." He wrote the script for his first film, "Above The Law," and followed it up with the hit film "Hard To Kill," which co-starred his wife, Kelly LeBrock. Seagal is also a master of the Oriental martial arts.

Twentieth Century Fox Presents a Victor & Grais Production, "Marked for Death" is directed by Dwight H. Little from a script by Michael Grais & Mark Victor, and is produced by Michael Grais, Mark Victor and Steven Seagal. The director of photography is Ric Waite, and the music is by James Newton Howard.

Twentieth Century Fox is primarily engaged in the financing, development, production, distribution and marketing of motion pictures throughout the world and is a unit of Fox Inc.

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#90260p6157 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, NY (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - American Savings Bank (NYSE: ASB) today announced that it has recovered $15.6 million in settlement of a significant New York City non-performing construction loan.

The recovery resulted from the recent sale of a 46-story, commercial and residential building at 135 W. 52nd Street. The building had received a $65

million construction loan from a consortium of banks in 1984. American Savings Bank's participation in the loan was 38.5 percent, or $25 million. The loan became non-performing in November 1987.

On Aug. 23, 1990, the building was sold at bankruptcy court auction to the highest bidder, Euro-American Lodging Corp., for $50 million. American Savings Bank's $15.6 million recovery was after pro-rata participation expenses related to liens, attorneys' fees, taxes and other bankruptcy proceeding fees. The recovery resulted in an additional loss on the loan of approximately $1.8 million, which will be included in the third quarter of 1990.

"We are gratified that this loan has been resolved and is now behind us," said William G. Lillis, president and chief executive officer. "Improving asset quality is a top priority under our 'back to basics' strategy, and we'll continue to work diligently towards that end."

American Savings Bank is a New York State-chartered savings bank with executive and administrative offices in White Plains, N.Y. Together with its wholly owned subsidiary, Riverhead Savings Bank, FSB, American operates 39 branch offices in New York City and in Westchester, Nassau and Suffolk Counties. With consolidated assets of $4.2 billion, the FDIC-insured American is one of the largest savings bank in New York.

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#90260p6163 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Southnet Corp. announced today that it has signed a five-year formal agreement with the Taiwan Telecommunication Network Services Company Ltd. to provide an array of global communications services.

Included in the agreement, Southnet will deliver "World Card" international calling card services, broadcast facsimile transmission links and other enhanced Southnet product offerings to Taiwan.

Southnet's intitial delivery of 2,000 World Cards for immediate distribution will be the foundation for what the company expects to be in excess of 20,000 cards marketed within the first year under this agreement. "We have the potential to market several hundred thousand cards to qualified customers in Taiwan over the next 36 months," stated Robert J. Zradicka, president and CEO of Southnet Corp. "We are extremely pleased and excited to be working in a long-term relationship with Taiwan and look forward to the opportunities and challenges laid before us."

The company did not place a specific value on the services covered under the

agreement but stated that the World Card initial distribution of 2,000 cards could generate over $6 million annually. Distribution of 20,000 cards could create a revenue stream for Southnet of over $10 million.

Southnet Corp. is a Tampa, Fla.-based long distance telecommunications firm specializing in operator services to hotels and hospitals through the United States, and in enhanced telecommunications services worldwide. The recent introduction of the "World Card" international calling product has met with success in firm orders for 25,000 cards after only two months of active sales efforts.

Southnet is a public company traded on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange and the OTC market. The company has filed for listing on NASDAQ.

Taiwan Telecommunication Network Services Company Ltd., is a Taipei, Taiwan-based public company with majority ownership by the government of the Republic of China.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Sept. 14, 1990.

All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields
(30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago
Conventional			
15-Year FRM	9.69	9.75	9.69
30-Year FRM	10.03	10.08	9.92
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	10.28	10.33	10.17
10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.			
Second Mortgages	9.860	9.900	9.720

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term)

Yields Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	8.95	9.05	9.25	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	9.20	9.30	9.50	2.000 pct.
1 (A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	7.90	8.00	8.30	2.250 pct.
6 mos(A)						

(COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	8.00	8.10	8.45	2.125 pct.

(A)Rate reduction (B)New 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM.
Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs.

LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
August 30, 1990	8.125	8.188	8.188	8.313
July 30, 1990	8.063	8.047	8.047	8.109

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 9/14/90	Year to Date(B)	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(A)	599.9	16,084.6	14,931.4
Purchases	471.9	16,144.4	13,597.4
MBS Issued	2,804.0	67,793.1	40,571.1

(A)Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.
(B)Adjusted for August Actuals.

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#90260p6170 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLA. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Pro-Med Capital, Inc. (AMEX: PMC), declared a dividend increase at its meeting on Sept. 14, 1990. The annual indicated dividend was raised from $0.42 to $0.46, an incrase of 9.5 percent. The regular quarterly dividend was raised from $0.105 to $0.115 per quarter reflecting the $0.46 per annum indicated dividend. The current quarterly dividend will be paid to shareholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990, payable on Oct. 10, 1990. During July, 1990, the company paid an extra dividend of $0.042 in addition to its regular quarterly dividend.

A private placement of restricted shares was completed in August, 1990 resulting in an increase of the equity capital of the company. Chairman of the Board, Fred Rosemore, stated "Earnings have increased due to our strict supervision of operating expenses and our entrance into new arenas of highly specialized business financing. During the last five years, earnings have increased each year. For the first six months of 1990, our return on shareholders'equity was an annualized 19.2 percent. We anticipate 1990 will be a banner year for Pro-Med Capital, Inc. both in portfolio growth and earnings."

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#90260p6172 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Rochester Telephone Corp. (NYSE: RTC) today declared the regular quarterly dividend of 36.5 cents per share on the company's common stock, payable Nov. 1, 1990 to share owners of record on Oct. 15, 1990.

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#90260p6175 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Lev Scientific Industries, Ltd. (NASDAQ: LEVS and VANCOUVER: LEV) ("LEV") announced that it has received the financing proposal necessary to complete the acquisition previously disclosed in its news release of July 16, 1990. The proposal is subject to a field audit, credit analysis and final approval of the Senior Loan Committee of the proposed lender as well as substantial additional due diligence. There can be no assurance that the outcome of the conditions precedent described above will be favorable to Lev or that, even if the outcome is favorable, the loan will in fact be made. The controlling stockholders of Lev have accepted the proposal through a company organized by them for this purpose and have paid a substantial fee to the proposed lender upon their acceptance of the proposal. It is the present intention of these shareholders to make this acquisition on behalf of Lev.

It is expected that even if all of the necessary aspects of the loan transaction are successfully completed, and there is no assurance or probability that they will, the acquisition may take approximately two months to complete.

The controlling shareholders and Lev hope to acquire one of North America's premier vendors of quality meat products with annual sales of approximately $230,000,000 and with earnings before interest and taxes (E.B.I.T.) of approximately $5,000,000. The company is headquartered in the United States and has been operating for the last 55 years. The company has approximately 235 employees, substantial real estate and fixed assets and valuable trade names and market-share. Results of the company for the first seven months of 1990 show a significant improvement over the same period last year.

Lev announced that its president, Harold Fischman, has exercised his option to purchase 100,000 shares of the Lev common stock at $1.08 per share.

NOTE: The Vancouver Stock Exchange has neither approved nor disapproved the information contained herein.

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#90260p6179 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Polish National Alliance, a Chicago-based Polish fraternal benefit society, today announced its participation with A. Epstein and Sons International, Inc. in a $40 million joint venture to develop a 600,000-square-foot meat processing facility in Starachowice, Poland.

The American side of the joint venture represents 51 percent equity in the project, while the major partners on the Polish side include KIELCE, a meat processing enterprise, and Animex, the meat product import-export firm that ships Krakus-label hams to the U.S.

"This effort represents the largest U.S.-Polish joint venture to date, and we hope our commitment will send a message to other potential investors that the time is ripe to support the political and economic changes in Poland," said Edward J. Moskal, president of the Polish National Alliance.

"Our involvement is not only an emotional decision to support our fatherland, but also a business decision, since the long-term return on investment will be good for the alliance," said Moskal.

The Polish National Alliance is the largest ethnic fraternal benefit society in the U.S., licensed to sell life insurance in 37 states, with more than 300,000 members. Founded more than 110 years ago, the PNA has fostered and promoted the independence of Poland and has contributed to preserving the traditions of Polish culture.

According to Mac Raczkiewicz, president of A. Epstein's Warsaw-based subsidiary, Epstein Engineering Export, the direct and indirect economic benefits of the plant will add approximately 10,000 new jobs to the region.

Epstein Engineering Export is a wholly owned subsidiary of A. Epstein and Sons International, Inc., one of the world's largest architectural-engineering-construction organizations. With world headquarters in Chicago, A. Epstein maintains full service offices in London, Paris, Tel Aviv, Warsaw, New York and Los Angeles.

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#90260p6181 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM (NYSE: IBM) today reaffirmed its relationship with Microsoft (NASDAQ: MSFT) and extended its licensing

arrangements for DOS, Windows and OS/2. Also highlighted were a series of steps being taken to improve the efficiency and productivity of development efforts for DOS and OS/2.

Although both IBM and Microsoft will define requirements for these products, each company's development efforts will primarily focus on certain products, which will be licensed to the other company. In most cases, development efforts will be centralized in one location.

Concentrating development activities in single-site locations will increase overall development responsiveness, reduce development cycles and enable streamlined migration and growth alternatives for users of DOS, Windows and OS/2.

"Today's announcement clarifies the roles of both companies toward providing a range of operating platforms to meet the varied requirements of desktop customers," said James A. Cannavino, IBM vice president and general manager, Personal Systems. "By focusing IBM's development efforts in this manner, we are better able to achieve this goal."

In order to improve the efficiency of development efforts, IBM will have the primary role for developing 16-bit and 32-bit OS/2, with Microsoft making development contributions. Microsoft continues to develop Windows and will be the primary developer for DOS. Both companies intend to contribute to the development of a 32-bit version of OS/2 that is portable to other computer instruction sets, such as RISC (Reduced Instruction Set Computing). Microsoft will have the primary role of developing this portable version, with IBM making development contributions. All of these products will be cross-licensed by both companies.

IBM also reaffirmed its intention to reduce the entry requirements for OS/2 to 2 MB, to converge LAN Manager and LAN Server and to make the functions of OS/2 EE and LAN Server available to all IBM and OEM OS/2 users. In addition, IBM will begin delivering limited shipments of a 32-bit version of OS/2 to selected accounts in 1990, and the product will be generally available in 1991.

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#90260p6183 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Record first quarter revenues and earnings were reported today by Premier Industrial Corporation (NYSE: PRE).

For the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, earnings per share rose to $.34, up 6 percent from $.32 per share the previous year. Net earnings were $19,585,000 compared with $18,784,000 last year. Operating revenues increased 3 percent to $159,574,000 from $154,357,000 in the comparable period in fiscal

1990.

Commenting on these results, Premier Chairman Morton L. Mandel said, "We have been able to maintain growth in a slow economy because of the breadth and balance of our operations, the diversity of our markets and our large customer base." He also noted that, "We continue to install programs that will help us achieve our growth goals, and to search for ways to control operating costs."

With regard to the outlook for fiscal 1991, Mandel indicated he expected another record performance. "We have the financial strength, management skills and operating systems to maintain our high level of profitability as we grow," he added.

Premier is a broad line distributor of electronic components used in the production and maintenance of equipment, a supplier of maintenance products for industrial, commercial and institutional applications, and a manufacturer of high-performance fire-fighting equipment.

REVENUES AND EARNINGS (Unaudited)

	For 3 Months Ended Aug. 31	
	1990	1989
Operating Revenues	$159,574,000	$154,357,000
Earnings Before Taxes	29,584,000	28,247,000
Net Earnings	19,585,000	18,784,000
Net Earnings Per Common Share	$.34	$.32
Common Shares and Common Stock Equivalents Outstanding	57,743,420	58,219,770

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#90260p6184 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Sage Software Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SGSI) announced today general availability of APS/PC Release 2.0, the market's leading Application Generator for PS/2 based COBOL development.

APS/PC Release 2.0 is a full function application generator, designed for project teams developing DB2, IMS, or VSAM applications on the desktop. APS/PC Release 2.0 operates stand-alone or "CASE-connected" with Knowledgeware's IEW or Index Technology's Excelerator design products. Some of the new capabilities in APS/PC Release 2.0 include:

-- Multi-mode architecture -- Active LAN support -- Testing at the APS/PC or COBOL levels -- Integrated configuration management support -- Robust SQL support -- Re-engineering from DB/DC data and screen definitions

APS/PC is unique because of its multi-mode architecture. This architecture maximizes productivity across a broad spectrum of backlog requirements, personnel cultures, and development cycle strategies.

APS/PC includes three distinct development facilities plus the Customization Option. The three development facilities in APS/PC are described below:

1. The APS/PC Application Painter is for programmers and analysts working with end-users in the prototyping phase of application development. The Application Painter supports three levels of prototyping from simple screen shots to full skeletal applications.

2. APS/PC On-Line Express is for programmers building on-line transaction processing applications. Express employs straight forward fill-in-blanks style and generates complete applications without any hand coding.

3. The APS/PC Specification Painters are for programmers building complex batch applications and consequently uses a semi-procedural model. The Specification Painter delivers the coverage of COBOL with a 5:1 productivity advantage.

Sage Software, Inc. specializes in the development tools for software developers seated at IBM mainframes under MVS/ISPF and IBM PC's running DOS or OS/2. Product offerings span the areas of prototyping, application generation, source control, configuration management, and object code optimization. Within these product categories, Sage markets many industry leading products such as Dan Bricklin's Demo II, Repository Explorer, PVCS, Sage PVCS/Make, PLink/LTO, and APS/MVS.

Sage Software products are available direct from Sage by calling 800-547-4000, or write Sage Software, Inc., 1700 NW 167th Pl., Beaverton, Ore. 97068. Outside North America, call 301-230-3307, fax 301-984-3047. Corporate headquarters are at 3200 Tower Oaks Blvd., Rockville, Md. 20852.

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#90260p6186 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Society Corporation (NASDAQ: SOCI) announced today that the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland and the State of Ohio Division of Banks have completed a full regulatory review of Society Bank & Trust Company (formerly Trustcorp Bank, Ohio), Society's affiliate headquartered in Toledo, Ohio. Based upon these examinations, management has reaffirmed its determination that the bank's loan loss reserves are adequate.

No significant actions regarding loan charge-offs, additions to nonperforming loans or additions to loan loss reserves were taken by the bank's management as a result of the examinations.

Frederick A. Deal, chairman and chief executive officer of Society Bank & Trust, said, "We are pleased and gratified that our assessment of the improving condition of the bank has been supported by the results of these examinations by our principal regulators."

Society Bank & Trust is an affiliate of Society Corporation, one of the largest bank holding companies in the midwest with assets of $15.6 billion at June 30. The holding company has 370 offices in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Florida. Through its affiliates, Society engages in commercial banking, consumer banking, mortgage banking and leasing, and provides trust and investment banking services.

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#90260p6187 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ABBOTT PARK, ILL. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Abbott Laboratories at its Sept. 14 meeting elected Thomas R. Hodgson president and chief operating officer effective Oct. 1, 1990, the company announced today. Hodgson was most recently executive vice president, Abbott Laboratories, and president, Abbott International.

Also effective Oct. 1, the board promoted Paul N. Clark to senior vice president, pharmaceutical operations; John C. Kane to senior vice president, Ross Products; John G. Kringel to senior vice president, hospital products; J. Duncan McIntyre to senior vice president, Abbott Laboratories, and president, Abbott International; Thomas M. McNally to senior vice president, chemical and agricultural products; and David A. Thompson to senior vice president, diagnostic operations.

McIntyre was formerly Abbott vice president and responsible for European operations of Abbott International. The other five individuals were most recently Abbott vice presidents for their respective operations.

Hodgson will be responsible for all operating divisions of Abbott as well as corporate engineering, corporate hospital marketing and TAP Pharmaceuticals, Abbott's joint venture with Takeda Chemical Industries, Ltd., of Japan.

Duane L. Burnham, Abbott's chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, "These promotions will enhance the already considerable strength and depth of Abbott's management. Tom Hodgson has an excellent track record of successfully running a number of Abbott's businesses. His international

experience provides him with a broad perspective of Abbott's product lines and global markets. I am confident that our management team is positioned to successfully lead Abbott into the 1990s, ensuring the company's continued outstanding performance throughout the decade and beyond."

Hodgson, 48, joined Abbott Laboratories in 1972. In 1980, Hodgson was elected vice president, hospital products, and president, hospital products division. He was promoted to group vice president and president, Abbott International, in 1983. Hodgson was elected executive vice president and a member of the board in 1985.

Abbott is a worldwide manufacturer of health care products employing 42,000 people. In 1989, the company's sales and net earnings were $5.4 billion and $860 million, respectively, with earnings per share of $1.93.

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#90260p6190 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Newmont Mining Corp. (NYSE: NEM) announced today that it has retained Potter Warburg & Co. Ltd., Melbourne, to advise and represent it in relation to its remaining 24.19 percent investment in Newmont Australia Ltd. This action follows Newmont Mining's advising Newmont Australia's board of directors on Sept. 9, 1990, that Newmont Mining would expect to await Newmont Australia's expedited evaluation of, and review of alternatives to, the current Poseidon Gold Ltd. takeover offer for Newmont Australia shares. Potter Warburg has previously provided financial advice to Newmont Mining in Australia, most recently in connection with the company's sale for cash of a 19.99 percent block of Newmont Australia shares to Poseidon Gold.

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#90260p6196 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 17) - The Board of Directors of Analysts International Corporation (NASDAQ: ANLY) today voted to increase the company's regular quarterly dividend to 14 cents per share, payable Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 31, 1990. The previous quarterly dividend rate was 12 cents per share. Analysts International Corporation has 4,601,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

Frederick W. Lang, chairman and chief executive officer, said the company's growth has slowed in the first quarter of its fiscal year, which began July 1.

"We continue to expect that fiscal 1991 will produce record revenues and earnings," Lang said. "Results for the first two months of the year, however were lower than expected in most locations, and indicate that our first quarter earnings will be approximately the same as last year. We have traditionally aimed to grow our business by about 20 percent each year. Given current economic conditions, we expect that our growth in fiscal 1991 will fall short of that target."

Analysts International Corporation is a Minneapolis-based computer software services company.

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#90260p6200 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Sage Software, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SGSI), today announced the general availability of application development libraries containing high-level graphical objects designed to speed application programming under Microsoft Windows 3.0 and OS/2 Presentation Manager (PM) environments.

The two packages, called Sage Control Pak/W and Sage Control Pak/PM, provide developers with object-oriented, message-handling, reusable class libraries for building simple or complex user interfaces. The libraries can be quickly customized or run "right out of the box." Both packages also permit programmers to enhance the standard dialog controls (push buttons, radio buttons, minimizing/maximizing buttons or scroll bars) offered by Windows.

The Sage Control Paks shave weeks or even months off application development schedules, making development teams more productive, reducing the cost of bringing Windows 3.0 and PM applications to market. Written in Microsoft C, the Sage Control Paks are best suited for developing applications in either C or C++, but can be used in compiled form with any Windows compatible compiler.

Under Windows there is a special class of "child windows" called dialog controls (so named because they respond to control inputs from a mouse or keyboard). These child windows are designed for use within dialog boxes, scroll bars and other similar interface controls.

By varying the Sage Control Pak dialog manipulators, programmers can produce their own unique set of graphical controls to provide either a distinctive look for their Windows application or to maintain aesthetic consistency among applications. Control Pak/PM contains three modifiable controls -- arrow, palette and picture. Control Pak/W contains these three, plus three more -- ruler, slider and toolbox.

Sage Software, Inc. develops and markets software development tools that accelerate development while reducing costs and risks. The company focuses on providing these tools for the MS-DOS, OS/2, LAN and MVS environments. Sage has over 10,000 company sites and over 75,000 developers using its products. Corporate headquarters are at 3200 Tower Oaks Blvd., Rockville, MD 20852.

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#90260p6204 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The appointment of Nicholas Wade as science and health editor of the New York Times was announced yesterday by Max Frankel the paper's executive editor.

Wade, now an editorial writer, will assume the post on Nov. 1, with responsibility for daily news coverage as well as the Science Times section and the Health pages. He succeeds Philip M. Boffey, who was recently named deputy editor of the editorial page.

Wade, 48 years old, joined the editorial staff in 1982 to write about scientific and technical subjects. He had been Washington correspondent and deputy editor of Nature magazine of London, and a news staff member of Science magazine in Washington.

A graduate of Cambridge University in England, Wade is the author of several books, including "The Nobel Duel," about the race between two researchers to win the Nobel Prize, and "Betrayers of the Truth," written with William Broad, an analysis of fraud in science.

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#90260p6205 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, VA (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Vie de France Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: VDEF) announced today the results of its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

A major milestone was achieved as record sales exceeding $100 million were recorded for the year. Sales for 1990 reached $102,008,000, up 9 percent from $93,367,000 in the prior year. The company significantly reduced its pretax

loss for the year to $4,287,000, which represented a 28 percent improvement over the prior year's $5,956,000. However, the decrease in the company's net loss was not as significant, as the company has fully utilized its income tax loss carryback availability, and therefore had less of a tax benefit to offset current operating losses. As a result of the reduction of the income tax benefit, the net loss for the year improved only slightly, to $3,097,000 (29 cents per share) versus $3,206,000 (30 cents per share) in 1989.

The 1990 results reflected a significantly reduced loss from operations. For the year, the operating loss was reduced by 60 percent, to $1,728,000 from $4,287,000 in the prior year. This substantial improvement was due principally to improved control over labor and ingredient costs, particularly in the company's bakery division.

For the quarter, the company's sales increased 16 percent to $25,491,000 from $21,931,000 in the fourth quarter of the previous year. Net loss for the quarter was $1,902,000 (18 cents per share) which compares with a net loss of $1,141,000 (11 cents per share) during the same period last year. As with the annual results, the quarterly pretax loss compares more favorably with the prior year, but the income tax loss benefit was significantly reduced for the quarter as well.

Jean-Louis Vilgrain, chairman, reported that the loss for the year resided primarily in the Restaurant Division. The Culinary Division also experienced start-up costs associated with its sous-vide plant which opened in April. The Bakery Division returned to profitability and improved its pretax profit contribution by nearly $3 million which is the result of previously announced plant modernization and consolidation programs, sales increases and lower operating costs. The pretax loss reported from restaurants improved by nearly $300,000 with the operating loss reduced by nearly $1 million. The costs associated with bringing on the Culinary sous-vide plant and related expenses had a material negative impact on the reported results as that division experienced considerably higher costs than anticipated.

Vilgrain went on to state that as a company, Vie de France funded $12.5 million in new capital spending for bakery modernization, the new sous-vide plant, and completion of the construction of new restaurants. The company's cash flow remains strong, with cash from operations reported at over $4 million for the year.

Vilgrain stated that 1990 was a major transition year for Vie de France and while profits have not yet been realized, a solid bridge to the future has been built as a result of several strategic decisions made during the year. A midyear reorganization which merged the operating subsidiaries into one company allowed several duplicate functions to be folded into a single corporate group. This change in organization has made the company a leaner, more effective operation. These changes in midyear, along with a 20 percent staff reduction announced in July, are expected to save the company in excess

of $1 million annually.

With a new restaurant management group, the emphasis was changed to an operations focus, company-owned restaurant construction was curtailed, and new marketing programs were installed. These changes, along with the recently announced agreement between Vie de France and the Host Division of Marriott Corporation to begin franchising the Vie de France Express Cafe concept (modeled after the company's successful National Airport unit), will begin to improve the Restaurant Division results in the future. It is anticipated that Vie de France will have further opportunities for additional franchises in Marriott's 46 airports and over 100 travel plazas on the nation's highway systems. The strategy to sell existing units outside of Washington and Chicago continues, and there are now prospective buyers interested in stores in Southern California, Texas and Florida.

Consistent with the strategy of continued bakery modernization and consolidation, it was decided to convert the company's Boston bakery facility to a distribution center, and to close its Houston depot facility effective Sept. 30. These changes are designed to immediately enhance the Bakery Division's profits as it focuses on par-baked and frozen dough sales in Boston and begins shipping to Houston-area customers directly from other regional Vie de France facilities.

Now that its sous-vide plant has commenced operations, the Culinary Division has enjoyed tremendous response to its line by major national hotel chains, restaurants and distributors. The sous-vide product line was launched in May of this year at the National Restaurant Association Show in Chicago to unprecedented public and media response. Vilgrain stated that this product line will continue to operate at a loss for several months until the sales increase sufficiently to cover costs. He added, however, that management is thrilled with the response to this foodservice idea of the '90s which fills the requirement that most operators face of reducing restaurant costs in equipment, labor and portion control.

Finally, Vilgrain stated that with the major expansion program nearly finished they are concentrating on reducing the company's debt burden. The company recently raised $6 million through a rights offering of common stock that was over subscribed. Most of the proceeds have already been applied toward debt repayment. As a minimum, approximately $7 million in debt will be repaid this next fiscal year, which will have an immediate positive impact on earnings. In June, Vie de France sold its 50 percent interest in its joint venture operation with California Pizza Kitchen; the anticipated sale of other existing restaurants will also help to reduce debt.

The company's focus on improved operations, combined with debt reduction, is expected to enable Vie de France to continue the trend of earnings improvement during the next fiscal year.

VIE DE FRANCE CORPORATION
Results of Operations

	Fourth Quarter Ended	
	June 30, 1990 (13 Weeks)	June 24, 1989 (12 weeks)
Sales		
Bakery Division	$14,260,347	$12,913,514
Restaurant Division	10,801,595	8,578,799
Culinary Division	428,655	438,447
Net Sales	$25,490,597	$21,930,760
Income (loss) from operations	$(1,528,763)	$(1,923,466)
Income (loss) before taxes	$(2,239,250)	$(2,120,712)
Net income (loss)	$(1,902,129)	$(1,141,445)
Net income (loss) per share	$ (.18)	$ (.11)
Average shares outstanding	10,604,714	10,511,293

	Fiscal Year Ended	
	June 30, 1990	June 24, 1989
Sales		
Bakery Division	$55,674,061	$53,102,654
Restaurant Division	43,725,512	38,445,926
Culinary Division	2,608,635	1,818,865
Net Sales	$102,008,208	$93,367,445
Income (loss) from operations	$ (1,728,153)	$(4,286,671)
Income (loss) before taxes	$ (4,286,766)	$(5,955,781)
Net income (loss)	$ (3,096,650)	$(3,205,619)
Net income (loss) per share	$ (.29)	$ (.30)
Average shares outstanding	10,529,424	10,511,293

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#90260p6208 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - On Aug. 31, 1990 PaineWebber R&D Partners II, L.P. announced a $7 million product development program with Diasonics, Inc. (NYSE: DIA) of Milpitas, Calif. The program will fund the development, human clinical trials and commercialization of a therapeutic medical device designed to treat benign prostatic hyperplasia, a disease characterized by enlargement of the prostate that affects over half of all men in their sixties and 90 percent of all men in their seventies and eighties. The device is intended to offer urologists and patients a safer, faster and more economic means of treating this condition.

PaineWebber R&D Partner II, L.P. is a public limited partnership formed to fund product development projects with leading technology companies. The partnership is managed by PaineWebber Development Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of PaineWebber Group Inc. (NYSE: PWJ).

Founded in 1977, Diasonics develops, manufactures and markets computer-based medical imaging equipment used for x-ray, ultrasound and lithotripsy procedures in hospitals, imaging centers, clinics and private practices.

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CORAL GABLES, FLA. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - D. York LeCorgne has been appointed vice president of exploration and production for Texaco Latin America/West Africa, effective Dec. 1, it was announced today by C. Robert Black, president of the Texaco division. In his new assignment, LeCorgne will relocate to the division's headquarters in Coral Gables, Fla.

Texaco's Latin America/West Africa (LA/WA) Division is responsible for Texaco's petroleum exploration, producing, refining and marketing activities in the Caribbean, Central and South America, and Africa. Currently, the division is conducting active exploration programs and investigations in 15 countries in which Texaco has a controlling or partial interest in more than 51 million gross acres. Texaco LA/WA units have oil and natural gas producing operations in Ecuador, Colombia, Trinidad, Nigeria and Angola.

"York LeCorgne's considerable experience in the upstream area, coupled with his management background, reinfrces Texaco's commitment to provide strong executive leadership for our interests in an area of the world where we are aggressively seeking new sources of oil and gas production," said Black.

LeCorgne was graduated from Loyola University in New Orleans with a bachelor of science degree in physics. He earned a master of science degree in 1964 and a Ph.D. degree in 1970, both in physics, from the University of Illinois.

After joining Texaco's Geophysical Center at Bellaire, Texas, as a geophysicist in 1970, LeCorgne subsequently held positions with increasing responsibility in the producing department's New Orleans and Midland, Texas, offices. He was named a regional manager in the producing department at Midland in 1981 and a regional manager in the exploration department at Denver in 1984. In 1987 LeCorgne was appointed manager of exploration for Texaco's exploration department, located in Denver. Most recently, LeCorgne has been serving as assistant to management, assigned to the office of the chairman of the board at Texaco's headquarters in Harrison, N.Y.

With this appointment, LeCorgne assumes the responsibilities of William P. Doyle, who is assuming the presidency of the company's Middle East/Far East Division.

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#90260p6215 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANDOVER, MD. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE -Safeway Inc.'s (NYSE: SWY) Eastern Division announced that on Sept. 19 it will unveil four automated checkout lanes at its Greenway Center store in Greenbelt, Md.

Safeway is the first grocer in the Mid-Atlantic to offer customers the opportunity to scan their own groceries on the user-friendly CheckRobot automated checkout machines.

Safeway has added the four automated lanes to the 12 conventional lanes at the Greenbelt store. The automated lanes will have Safeway employees bagging the groceries and when the customer is through scanning he or she will take a receipt from the checkout machine and go to one of two cashier booths installed nearby to pay for the groceries.

Don Gates, Safeway's Eastern Division senior vice president, said: "We are anxious to see how our customers respond to the opportunity to scan their own groceries. In other parts of the country where these automated checkout machines have been tested they have won the hearts of many shoppers.

"Whenever new technology offers us the opportunity to enhance our customers' shopping experience we have to take a serious look at it," said Gates. "We expect the addition of these automated checkout lanes to allow us to move more customers through the checkout process at one time."

Gates noted that many people by their nature prefer to do things themselves and these automated checkout machines (ACMs) allow such people the choice to scan their own groceries at their own pace. "Some people simply enjoy using new technology and will be attracted to the ACMs for that reason," said Gates. CheckRobot Inc. has found that in other markets where these machines have been tested they have proven very popular with children. Many parents have said it gives their children something to look forward to and makes the whole shopping trip more enjoyable.

"We are constantly looking for ways to better serve our customers and if these ACMs can speed up the checkout process at our Greenbelt store we will definitely consider putting them in other stores," said Gates.

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SACRAMENTO, CALIF. (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - GE Plastics and Nailite International joined forces with a local building company and community

volunteers to renovate the La Familia Counseling Center in Sacramento.

The Sept. 13 renovation was organized around the introduction of a new roofing system by Nailite International, a leading supplier of building products. The roof covering and accessories are made of NORYL(R) resin, a high-performance engineering thermoplastic manufactured by GE Plastics.

The renovation also gave contractors an opportunity to work with the new system. Each 21.5-inch by 42.5-inch thermoplastic part replaces 13 individual cedar shakes, eliminating the time-consuming task of installing one shingle at a time.

Reroofing La Familia, originally a single-family residence, required just 560 Nailite parts and 2,240 nails vs. 7,280 shakes and 14,560 nails.

GE Plastics coordinated the renovation project. Company spokesman Joel Hutt said GE has completed a number of similar volunteer renovations. Last year, GE Plastics employees rehabilitated six facilities, including YMCAs, Boys' Clubs, and homeless shelters across the country. The idea for this project, according to Hutt, was to complete the test market introduction of the new Nailite roofing system, and simultaneously help a deserving community group.

Nailite donated all roofing materials and provided on-site supervision and technical expertise. The thermoplastic roofing system represents a major research and development investment by Nailite. It was initially tested on GE Plastics' Living Environments concept house which opened in October 1989. Located near GE Plastics' headquarters in Pittsfield, Mass., the 3,000-square-foot house was designed to showcase the benefits of using high-performance engineering plastics in the building and construction market. Thirty percent of the house, including the Nailite roof covering, incorporates engineering plastic.

For more information on NORYL resin or the Living Environments concept house, contact GE Plastics, Inquiry Handling Service -- PR No. 122-90, One Plastics Ave., Pittsfield, Mass. 01201, 800-845-0600.

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#90260p6220 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANCHESTER, ENGLAND (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines' proposed daily non-stop service linking Manchester Airport with Washington, D.C.'s Dulles International Airport would provide the greatest economic benefit to northern England, according to the U.S. airline's chairman and president, Stephen M. Wolf.

During a two-day visit to Manchester, Wolf said he is confident U.S.

regulators will select United to serve the route once the licensing process is complete. "We believe United offers the strongest case and would provide the best service of any applicant," Wolf said.

"In four short years United has developed Dulles into a major hub which will have more than 130 daily flights to 35 destinations by next summer. United is seeking to join in the development effort already under way to establish Manchester as one of Europe's premier hub airports."

The carrier said passengers and cargo shippers in Manchester will benefit from having a carrier with the global size and scope of United to provide a competitive service to and from the United States.

A large number of major companies in northern England have strong links with business and industry in the Washington, D.C., area. In addition, more than 360 companies in this region are actively involved in trade with the United States.

United has applied to serve the route with Boeing 767-200 aircraft configured in three classes. The flights will operate non-stop to Dulles and continue to Los Angeles.

United has a fleet of 450 aircraft and serves 156 cities in its U.S. domestic and international route networks. Earlier this year, United launched service linking Frankfurt with both Chicago and Washington, D.C., and Paris with Chicago.

Wolf said, "The success of our Pacific network where we have become the number one carrier and our newly and successfully launched European services have demonstrated yet again United's ability to compete and to build traffic between key business and leisure travel centers. We look forward to bringing United's brand of service to Manchester."

During his visit to Manchester, Wolf is meeting with airport officials and hosting a dinner for civic and business leaders. His stay coincides with a visit by the Washington Airports Authority and the Washington Airports Task Force who traveled to Manchester on a fact-finding mission. United already has strong support for its Manchester application from Washington, D.C., parties.

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#90260p6223 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - "With record energy use by business and industry across the Southeast, our financial performance has continued to improve. But our earnings through the first eight months of this year remain

somewhat below the results we reported for the same period in 1989," Southern Company President Edward L. Addison said today.

The Southern Company (NYSE: SO) is the parent firm of five electric utilities: Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power, and Savannah Electric. The Southern Company's common stock is one of the 20 most widely held corporate stocks in America.

Addison announced that net income for the first eight months of this year was $632 million or $2.00 per share -- down $11 million or 4 cents per share from the corresponding period in 1989.

For the 12 months ending Aug. 31, earnings totaled $835 million or $2.64 per share -- off $55 million or 18 cents per share from the the comparable 12 months a year ago. Earnings for the 12 months ending July 31, were $2.58 per share.

Discussing recent rate developments, Addison said the Mississippi Public Service Commission has approved two rate schedules designed to restore Mississippi Power's rates and revenues to the levels that had been set under the state's Performance Evaluation Plan. The plan -- in place since 1986 -- allowed quarterly adjustments in electric rates based on Mississippi Power's financial condition and the company's performance in key areas. That plan was ruled invalid in April by the Mississippi Supreme Court. Mississippi Power has asked the court to reconsider its decision.

The Mississippi legislature passed legislation in June to correct the technicality on which the Supreme Court based its ruling, and the governor has signed the new measure into law.

At the request of the Mississippi Public Service Commission, Mississippi Power has submitted a new performance evaluation plan for review. The commission will hold hearings on the proposal later this year.

Addison also reported that last month the Georgia Court of Appeals upheld a 1987 ruling by the state public service commission disallowing a portion of Georgia Power's investment in unit 1 of Plant Vogtle. Georgia Power has asked the state supreme court to hear the case.

If the disallowance is not overturned by the courts, The Southern Company will have to take an additional charge against earnings -- now estimated at some $190 million after taxes for both Vogtle units.

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#90260p6226 09/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
DES MOINES, IOWA (SEPT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc. (NASDAQ: PHYB) today declared a dividend of $.29 per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, ended August 31.

The dividend is payable Oct. 9, 1990 to shareholders of record September 28.

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#90260t1732 09/17/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT. 17) TASS - FORMER U.S. PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN AND HIS WIFE, NANCY, VISITING THE SOVIET UNION AT THE INVITATION OF PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV, HAVE CONTINUED THEIR TOUR OF THE COUNTRY TODAY.

NANCY REAGAN VISITED THE SOVIET PUBLIC HEALTH MINISTRY'S NARCOLOGICAL RESEARCH CENTRE.

SHE WAS WARMLY WELCOMED BY SCIENTIFIC AND MEDICAL STAFF. SOVIET PUBLIC HEALTH MINISTER IGOR DENISOV INFORMED HER OF THE PROBLEM OF DRUG ADDICTION IN THE SOVIET UNION.

CENTRE DIRECTOR NIKOLAI IVANETS INFORMED THE GUEST OF THE CENTRE'S STRUCTURE AND PROBLEMS IT DEALS WITH. HE SPOKE OF FRUITFUL COOPERATION WITH U.S. SCIENTISTS AND SCIENTIFIC AND INFORMATION EXCHANGE BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES.

RESEARCHERS INFORMED NANCY REAGAN OF SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIELD OF PROPHYLAXIS AND TREATMENT OF DRUG ADDICTION.

NANCY REAGAN WISHED TO MEET PATIENTS. DURING HER TALK WITH THEM, SHE ASKED THEM OF THEIR PROBLEMS AND SHOWED GREAT COMPASSION FOR THEM.

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#90260t1735 09/17/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT 17) TASS - FOLLOW THE TEXT OF THE SOVIET- SAUDI ARABIAN COMMUNIQUE CIRCULATED HERE TODAY:

THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS AND SAUDI ARABIA, PROCEEDING FROM THE DESIRE TO DEVELOP FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN THEM FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PEOPLES OF THE TWO STATES, DECIDED ON SEPTEMBER 17 TO RESUME THEIR DIPLOMATIC TIES AT AMBASSADOR LEVEL.

THE SIDES AGREED THAT THEIR BILATERAL RELATIONS WILL BE BUILT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE U.N. CHARTER ON THE BASIS OF PRINCIPLES OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE, EQUALITY AND MUTUAL RESPECT FOR EACH OTHER'S SOVEREIGNTY, TERRITORIAL

INTEGRITY AND NON-INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

THE SOVIET UNION AND SAUDI ARABIA PLEDGE TO MAKE ACTIVE EFFORTS TO SETTLE REGIONAL CONFLICTS, DEVELOP INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND STRENGTHEN UNIVERSAL PEACE AND SECURITY.

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#90260u0091 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - French authorities Sunday detained at least 29 Iraqi nationals for immediate expulsion. The move is a response to last week's Iraqi raid on the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait. Eight of those rounded up were technicians training with a French maker of radar systems sold to Iraq. 18 were members of the Iraqi military. France considers at least three others to be working for Iraqi intelligence.

Republican Senator Robert Kasten of Wisconsin claims that federal officials are on the verge of approving a supercomputer sale that he claims could help Iraq develop nuclear weapons. Kasten plans to sound his warning in a speech Monday in Milwaukee. Aides say he has prepared legislation to block the export of I-B-M supercomputer technology to Brazil... which has worked with Iraq on nuclear missile technology.

Hotel queen Leona Helmsley has taken out a full-page newspaper ad addressed to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. In the ad appearing Monday... Helmsley tells Saddam that foreigners held in his country are NOT ''guests'' as he claims...'' but hostages. Helmsley... who is appealing her conviction for tax fraud... says Saddam should take a tip ''a tip

An explosion ripped through a fuel tanker on the Saginaw River in Michigan Sunday... leaving one crew member missing and 11 injured. The resulting fire is so intense... firefighters are NOT trying to extinguish it... and say it may burn well into Monday. Several smaller explosions have been reported... and the Coast Guard says there is a danger of another blast.

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#90260u0143 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - President Bush took his case to the Iraqi people Sunday. In a taped address televised in Iraq... Bush told them ''Iraq stands isolated and alone.'' He said Iraq's leaders may have ''miscalculated'' the opposition they would face for invading Kuwait. Earlier... the U-N Security Council unanimously condemned Iraq for sending troops into foreign diplomatic compounds in Kuwait.

Officials Monday say marine firefighting equipment has been flown in to Bay City, Michigan, to help control a massive blaze engulfing a fuel tanker. The fire burst forth from an explosion while the tanker was UNloading in the

Saginaw River Sunday. The blast left 11 crew members hospitalized and one missing. The vessel still holds nearly one-Million gallons of gasoline.

Tens of thousands of Soviets marched through Moscow Sunday to demand the resignation of Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov. The protesters also called for a free market to replace the centrally directed economy. The throng blamed Ryzhkov for chronic shortages that have left the nation without regular supplies of bread and cigarettes. NO Soviet government has been forced to resign in 72 years of Communist rule.

A couple in the Seattle is considering allowing their infant son to die because he shows little hope of recovery from injuries he suffered five months ago. But the father is charged with assault for allegedly beating the boy. Prosecutors say they will consider a murder charge if the boy dies. The boy's mother says doctors tell her there may be nothing they can do for the baby beyond keeping him alive with machines.

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#90260u0145 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 17) UPI - Leaders of an Iraqi community in Detroit say they are solidly behind the United States in its dispute with Baghdad. Many of the 75-thousand Iraqi Chaldeans in Detroit are descendants of Christians who fled religious persecution early in this century. They are concerned about relatives in Iraq. They say they have faced NO serious harassment by Americans... but fear they will be falsely labelled pro-Iraqi.

''L-A Law'' was the big winner Sunday night in the 42nd Annual Emmy Awards. The Hollywood version of a Los Angeles law office won its third Emmy for best drama series. The show's Jimmy Smits won his first Emmy for best supporting actor in a drama series as Victor Sifuentes... beating two of his co-stars. ''Murphy Brown'' won best comedy series... while Ted Danson of ''Cheers'' won his first Emmy for best actor in a comedy series.

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#90260u0154 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 17) UPI - The Boston Red Sox couldn't get a break just when they needed one the most.

The American League East leaders failed to convert on several opportunities in Sunday's 4-2 loss to the Chicago White Sox, dropping a four-game series in the Windy City.

''I wish I could say I was wrong, but this is the one series I feared in the last month,'' Red Sox Manager Joe Morgan said. ''We don't play well here and we never get any breaks. I'll be glad to get out of here. We're going to have a lot of fun from here to the end.''

Boston has lost seven of its last ten games and matched its longest losing streak since suffering four losses July 21-24. Chicago last swept a four-game series against Boston in April 1962.

In a mirrored performance, the second place Toronto Blue Jays have won eight of their last 10 to pull to within one game. With their 6-5 victory Sunday night, the Blue Jays posted their third straight win over Baltimore.

Boston's bad luck began in the second. With two out, Lance Johnson robbed Mike Marshall of a home run by reaching above the center field fence to knock his drive back into play. Marshall, who went 3 for 4 to snap an 0-for-20 skid, wound up with a triple but was stranded at third when Tony Pena grounded out.

The White Sox came back to score two runs in their half of the inning on an RBI single and double.

''Have you ever seen so many cheap hits in all your life?'' Morgan asked. ''I think they manufacture them here.''

Trailing 4-1 in the ninth, the Red Sox managed one run off Chicago relief ace Bobby Thigpen, a two-out RBI single to Pena. But with the bases loaded, Jody Reed lined a pitch back to the mound to end the game and give Thigpen his 51st save.

''It's never easy for us, but it sure is sweet when it's over,'' White Sox Manager Jeff Torborg said. ''After the way we played on the last road trip (1-6), it's great to come back here and sweep.''

Chicago starter Eric King, 10-4, is 2-0 in three starts since being activated from the disabled list on Sept. 3. He scattered five hits, walked two and gave up one run.

Dana Kiecker, 6-9, gave up four runs over five-plus innings. He had not given up more than three earned runs in his previous 10 road starts.

In other American League action, Detroit dropped New York 5-2, Kansas City downed Cleveland 9-6, Milwaukee tripped Texas 5-3, Seattle beat California 5-3 Oakland edged Minnesota 5-4 in 11 innings, and Toronto shaded Baltimore 6-5.

In the National League it was: Philadelphia 8, New York 3; Montreal 4, Pittsburgh 1; San Diego 9, Atlanta 4; Cincinnati 9, Los Angeles 5; Chicago 8, St. Louis 4; and Houston 3, San Francisco 2.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Tigers 5, Yankees 2

At Detroit, Cecil Fielder hit his major league-leading 47th home run and Alan Trammell delivered three run-scoring singles, pacing the Tigers. Yankees starter Chuck Cary, 5-10, was carried from the field on a stretcher after colliding with first baseman Steve Balboni while the two were chasing Darnell Coles' pop foul in the fourth.

Royals 9, Indians 6

At Kansas City, Mo., Kevin Seitzer, George Brett, Bill Pecota and Bo Jackson each homered, with Jackson's breaking a seventh-inning tie, boosting the Royals. Jackson's towering shot into the left-field seats was his 25th of the season and beat Efrain Valdez, 4-6. Jeff Montgomery improved to 6-3.

Brewers 5, Rangers 3

At Arlington, Texas, Dave Parker doubled home the go-ahead run in the third inning and rookie reliever Julio Machado worked his way out of a ninth-inning jam to guide Milwaukee. Robinson, 11-3, has won seven decisions in nine starts. Scott Chiamparino, 0-1, took the loss.

Mariners 5, Angels 2

At Anaheim, Calif., pinch hitter Ken Griffey Jr. delivered his 21st home run of the season, a three-run blast with one out in the ninth, to carry Seattle. Bill Swift improved to 6-4. Mike Jackson hurled a scoreless ninth for his third save. Bryan Harvey, 3-4, took the loss.

Athletics 5, Twins 4 (11 innings)

At Oakland, Calif., Walt Weiss smacked a two-out RBI single in the 11th lifting the A's. With two outs, Mark McGwire doubled and Terry Steinbach was intentionally walked by loser Juan Berenguer, 8-4, before Weiss connected on his line-drive single to right. Dennis Eckersley, 4- 2, went 1 1-3 innings to get the win.

Blue Jays 6, Orioles 5

At Toronto, George Bell rapped an RBI single in the ninth to give the Blue Jays the win, pulling them within one game of the first-place Boston Red Sox in the AL East. Tom Henke, 2-2, allowed two runs, one hit and a walk in two innings. Joe Price, 3-4, walked Tony Fernandez, who scored on Bell's single.

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#90260u0167 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - If Fyodor Dostoevesky was still alive, Pittsburgh's loss to Montreal Sunday might have served as inspiration for ''Crime and Punishment.''

Four Expos pitchers combined on a one-hitter and Otis Nixon's triple highlighted a two-run sixth inning to help Montreal complete a season domination of Pittsburgh - 13-5 - with a 4-1 victory over the Pirates.

''We spoiled three excellent pitching performances in this series,'' said Pittsburgh Manager Jim Leyland. ''I think that is a crime.''

The Pirates lost their fifth straight, including the three to Montreal.

''We are back in the running,'' Montreal Manager Buck Rodgers said. ''We can make this a three-team race.''

Pirates shortstop Jay Bell, who collected Pittsburgh's only hit Sunday, said despite the punishment, the team will prevail.

''This is our fourth five-game losing streak of the season,'' Bell said. ''Each time we came out of it. We are still in first place. We are the team to beat and we are going to win this thing.''

''I tip my hat to the Expos' pitchers,'' Leyland said. ''Guys stuck the bat where the sun don't shine. This time of the year, Montreal is back in the hunt. If we took two out of three they would be done.''

Pittsburgh remains a half-game in front of New York, which lost 8-3 to Philadelphia. Montreal is six games behind the Pirates.

The Expos got help from former Pirate Scott Ruskin, 3-2, who worked 1 2-3 innings of relief for the victory. Steve Frey got four outs for his eighth save. Randy Tomlin, 3-2, took the loss.

In other National League games, Philadelphia routed New York 8-3, San Diego pounded Atlanta 9-4, Cincinnati came from behind to beat Los Angeles 9-5 and Houston edged San Francisco 3-2.

In the American League, it was: Chicago 4, Boston 2; Oakland 5, Minnesota 4; Detroit 5, New York 2; Kansas City 9, Cleveland 6; Milwaukee 5, Texas 3; Seattle 5, California 2; and Toronto 6, Baltimore 5.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Phillies 8, New York 3

At New York, Darren Daulton highlighted a 14-hit attack with a two- run homer and an RBI single and John Kruk added two triples, helping Philadelphia keep the Mets in second place. Jose DeJesus, 6-7, defeated New York for the third straight time this year. David Cone, 12-9, pitching on three days' rest, lasted just four innings.

Reds 9, Dodgers 5

At Cincinnati, Chris Sabo keyed a six-run fifth inning with a two-run homer and Hal Morris and Bill Doran smacked two-run doubles, lifting the Reds. Scott Scudder, 4-5, blanked the Dodgers for three innings in relief to get the win. Los Angeles starter Mike Morgan, 10-14, who hasn't won in a month, was rocked for seven hits and six runs over four innings.

Astros 3, Giants 2

At Houston, Glenn Davis singled home Gerald Young with one out in the ninth, lifting the Astros. Juan Agosto improved to 8-7. Don Robinson fell to 10-6.

Padres 9, Braves 4

At Atlanta, third baseman Jim Presley's team record three errors opened the gates for a seven-run second inning that gave San Diego the victory. With Atlanta leading 1-0, the Padres capitalized on Presley's miscues to hang the loss on Steve Avery, 3-9. Dennis Rasmussen, 11-13, was the winner.

Cubs 8, Cardinals 4

At St. Louis, Mo., Damon Berryhill belted three of Chicago's seven doubles, scored twice and drove in a run and Greg Smith added three RBI to lead the Cubs. Berryhill doubled in his first three at-bats, helping make a winner of Jose Nunez, 3-6. Mike Bielecki earned his first save of the season, pitching four innings. Ken Hill, who has lost three consecutive decisions and has not won in five starts, fell to 4-4.

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#90260u0212 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 17) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International: .

General Motors and the United Auto Workers have reached a tentative agreement on a new three-year labor contract. Details are NOT known. Bargainers talked more than 42 hours NON-stop during the weekend and announced agreement this morning in Detroit. The contract covers 310- thousand General Motors employees.

At least 29 Iraqis in France have been rounded up to be expelled immediately. At least 11 Iraqi diplomats also are to be kicked out of France. French President Francois Mitterrand ordered the expulsions in retaliation for an Iraqi raid Friday on the French diplomatic compound in occupied Kuwait.

President Bush told the Iraqi people yesterday there is NO way Iraq can win. He insisted Baghdad withdraw from Kuwait. The president's message was shown on Iraqi television and was followed by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's

spokesman who said the speech was full of lies. He called Bush ''dictator of the whole world.''

Firefighters in Bay City, Michigan, are worried about the possibility of more explosions on a tanker carrying nearly one-Million gallons of gasoline. The tanker Jupiter caught fire yesterday as it was UNloading fuel. The Saginaw River was closed to traffic. One crew member of the Jupiter is missing.

The shuttle Columbia is to be fueled this evening. It's a critical hurdle. Tomorrow's scheduled launch could be postponed if any more fuel leaks show up. The launch has been delayed more than three months. Any further delay means it can NOT be launched until next month because other missions will get priority.

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#90260u0219 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - A huge crowd, blaming Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov for economic problems, marched in the rain in Moscow yesterday to demand he resign. Speakers blamed Ryzhkov for standing in the way of a shift to a market economy. Moscow's mayor demanded Ryzhkov's communist government be replaced by a multi-party one.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry goes back to court today to learn if he is to be tried again on drug and perjury charges. A jury in his first trial was UNable to decide on most charges. Barry was convicted of one misdemeanor charge of drug possession. Under federal guidelines he probably will NOT get a jail term.

Storms socked much of the United States yesterday. Hail fell in Washington, D-C, and lightning knocked out power in nearby Virginia. Cleveland was hit by winds of 64 miles an hour. Frost advisories are posted for this morning over northern Wisconsin and Michigan. Snow may be coming in New England.

Authorities are investigating the death of a woman who was attacked by seven starving dogs in her home in Walterboro, South Carolina. They speculate she may have had a seizure that caused a nosebleed which attracted the dogs. The woman had a history of seizures. Each dog was about 20 pounds underweight.

Forbes magazine says Bill Cosby is the world's highest-paid entertainer. Michael Jackson had passed him in 1988. But the magazine says re-run earnings from ''The Cosby Show'' put Cosby back on top. Jackson is second. New Kids on the Block moved to fifth, making 78- Million dollars.

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#90260u0234 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

PASADENA, Calif. (SEPT. 17) UPI - ''L.A. Law,'' the last bastion of button-down collars and a TV haven for idealism, won its third Emmy for best drama

series in the 42nd Annual Emmy Awards.

''L.A. Law'' skimmed past ''Quantum Leap,'' ''thirtysomething,'' ''China Beach'' and most notably the acclaimed but quirky ''Twin Peaks'' to win the category it dominated in 1987 and 1989.

Contrary to heavy speculation in the weeks leading to Sunday's ceremony, ''Twin Peaks'' - David Lynch's dark, steamy ABC drama series - was shut out in all the categories presented Sunday night, and took only two technical awards presented Saturday night, despite having the most nominations - 14.

''Murphy Brown,'' the CBS comedy series set in a network newsroom and, its star Candice Bergen took prizes for best comedy series and actress.

It was the first comedy series Emmy for the 2-year-old show, which had to surpass perennial winner ''Cheers'' as well as ''Designing Women'' on CBS, ''The Golden Girls'' on NBC and ''The Wonder Years'' on ABC.

It took nine nominations over nine years, but Ted Danson, who plays Sam Malone on ''Cheers,'' finally won for best actor in a comedy TV series.

His co-star and co-award presenter, Kirstie Alley, earlier had ribbed Danson about his poor track record, likening it to taking a tease to the drive-in theater and being continually frustrated.

''The Simpsons,'' Fox Broadcasting's oddball animated family, presented the best comedy actor category during the program, broadcast on Fox from the Pasadena Civic Auditorium.

Underachiever Bart Simpson tried repeatedly to enter his name into the list of nominees, then tore up the envelope containing the winner's name. Father Homer suggested they pick a name, any name.

''Does anybody remember one?'' he whispered to his panicked family.

Bergen, who plays the title role in ''Murphy Brown,'' won her second Emmy in a row.

''Delta (Burke) is going to be waiting for me in the parking lot,'' she said, referring to a fellow nominee.

Peter Falk, whose trench-coated, rumpled detective ''Columbo'' began in 1971 on NBC and resurfaced on ABC, won his fifth Emmy - fourth for the Columbo role - for best actor in a drama series.

''It's my birthday,'' he told the audience. ''This morning I got three shirts and a dozen golf balls, and tonight ... it's a good country.''

Patricia Wettig, who plays cancer-stricken Nancy Weston on ''thirtysomething '' won her second Emmy for best actress in a drama series.

''I feel so lucky to be given an award for something I so love doing, '' Wettig said.

No single show dominated the awards. The winner of the most statuettes was ''The Tracey Ullman Show,'' which is no longer in production.

The academy awarded Ullman's writing team and its star for best performance in a variety or music show only months after Fox canceled it because of low ratings.

''Maybe I should have taken that two minutes in the middle of 'The Simpsons ''' said the star of the show that introduced the animated family to Fox viewers in vignettes between sketches. ''I breast-fed those little devils.''

''Caroline?,'' a Hallmark Hall of Fame presentation on CBS, tied with ''The Incident,'' an AT&T Presents special, for best drama or comedy special.

Jimmy Smits, with his fourth nomination, won his first Emmy for the best supporting actor in a drama series as Victor Sifuentes in ''L.A. Law,'' beating a field that included Richard Dysart and Larry Drake, two of his co-stars.

Alex Rocco, who played a Hollywood agent on the short-lived series ''The Famous Teddy Z,'' won for best supporting actor in a comedy series.

Bebe Neuwirth, psychologist Lillith Crane of ''Cheers,'' won the best supporting actress in a comedy series.

''In Living Color,'' the new nothing-is-sacred variety show on Fox, won the prize for best variety, music or comedy series.

Two directors, Scott Winant of ''thirtysomething'' and Thomas Carter of ''Equal Justice,'' both on ABC, tied for the drama series directing award, shutting out David Lynch of ''Twin Peaks.''

The award for best directing of a comedy series went to Michael Dinner for ''The Wonder Years.''

Veteran stage and screen actor Hume Cronyn won the Emmy for best actor in a mini-series or special for ''Age-old Friends'' on HBO, and Barbara Hershey won the actress award in the same category for ''A Killing in a Small Town'' on CBS.

Comedian Billy Crystal, who wrote his HBO special ''Billy Crystal: Midnight Train to Moscow,'' and the team of writers from ''The Tracey Ullman Show''

tied in the best writing of a variety or music program.

The choreography award went to Paula Abdul, Michael Darrin and Dean Barlow for the ''17th Annual Academy of Music Awards.''

Among the 32 statuettes bestowed Sunday night was the coveted Governor's Award given to Leonard H. Goldenson, the retired chairman of ABC who now heads the executive committee of the network's parent company, Capital Cities-ABC Inc.

ABC led the network pack with 22 awards over the two nights, followed by NBC with 18, CBS with 14, Fox and PBS with 9 and HBO with 8.

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#90260u0296 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, Belgium (SEPT. 17) UPI - Financial aid to Egypt, Turkey and Jordan topped the agenda at a meeting set for Monday of European Community foreign ministers amid concern a split over tactics may delay final approval.

Aid to the three countries hardest hit by the Persian Gulf crisis was approved in principle by the foreign ministers at a Sept. 7 meeting in Rome, but a precise amount was not set.

Last Wednesday, the EC executive commission proposed an aid package worth $1.95 billion. However, several countries led by Britain argue the EC should not set an exact figure until negotiations can take place with other donors, including oil-rich Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.

By publicizing an aid formula, and the EC's share in it, the Community could limit the overall contributions from other nations, Britain contends.

''As there is not yet a consensus on what other Western and Arab countries will contribute, an EC figure would seem to be premature,'' said a Foreign Ministry spokesman for Belgium, which agrees with the British position.

Italy, which holds the rotating EC presidency, wanted the foreign ministers to approve a precise aid figure Monday to show Europe's commitment to the U.S.-led opposition to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The weekend announcement that West Germany will contribute nearly $2 billion toward the gulf effort could further complicate the EC foreign ministers' debate. U.S. officials had been most critical of what they perceived as German and Japanese stinginess. Friday, Japan said it was increasing its overall gulf contribution from $1 billion to $4 billion.

EC diplomats concede that a delay in approving an aid package could send the wrong signal to the United States, which has increasingly pressured European allies to contribute more.

''We think it's important to send a clear political message right away by setting aid figures,'' said an official of the EC Commission.

Another aid package, $58.5 million for humanitarian relief to gulf refugess, was expected to be easily approved by the foreign ministers.

Also on the agenda were relations with Israel, the status of talks between the EC and the six-nation European Free Trade Association and trans-Atlantic relations.

The foreign ministers were to also discuss logistics for extending an aid program for Poland and Hungary to four other countries - Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia and East Germany.

That program, launched last year by 24 wealthy nations, is administered by the EC executive commission. Extension of aid to the four other countries was approved by the 24 foreign ministers in July.

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#90260u0329 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - Iraqis massed in the streets of their nation and chanted in anger over a televised message by President Bush warning them they cannot win a war in the Persian Gulf and that Saddam Hussein must pull out of Kuwait, a report said.

The Iraqi state-owned news agency said, ''Millions of Iraqi masses this evening took to the streets and public squares throughout Iraq to express their surging anger and condemnation'' of Bush's message from the White House Sunday.

The Iraqis chanted anti-American slogans to protest ''the falsifications and hollow arrogance that characterized his words,'' the news agency said.

Standing in front of his desk in the Oval Office, an American flag in the background, Bush told the Iraqi people of the high price they will pay, in terms of political isolation and economic deprivation, for the occupation of Kuwait.

''Perhaps your leaders do not appreciate the strength of the forces united against them,'' Bush said in a broadcast with Arabic subtitles. ''Let me say clearly there is no way Iraq can win. Ultimately, Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait.''

With the U.S.-led multinational force in the Persian Gulf region and Washington's allies showing solidarity in their response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, Bush said Iraq stands ''isolated and alone.''

The U.N. Security Council Sunday unanimously condemned Iraq for sending troops into foreign diplomatic compounds in Kuwait as well as rounding up foreign nationals, and considered further punitive actions, including a possible air blockade against Iraq.

The resolution followed Iraqi troops storming the diplomatic compounds of France, Canada, Belgium and the Netherlands in Kuwait last week and the brief detention of their personnel. The whereabouts of three French civilians taken during the raids Friday are not known.

France, enforcing retaliatory measures, rounded up at least 29 Iraqi nationals for immediate expulsion. Italy gave the Iraqi military attache and his staff 10 days to leave the country.

While U.S. officials had no idea how widely Bush's eight-minute broadcast to the Iraqi people was seen in Iraq, White House spokesman Bill Harlow said U.S. diplomats in Baghdad reported the taped message appeared to have aired on Iraqi TV without censorship.

Harlow also said ''the president's words must have struck home, given the lengths to which the Iraqis went to attempt to discredit them.''

Immediately after Bush's speech, Iraqi TV broadcast a more than 20- minute rebuttal in which Miqdad Muradi, Saddam Hussein's spokesman, denounced Bush's speech as full of ''claims and lies'' and appealed to the Iraqi people to stand up against the U.S. president.

''Bush believes that the whole world is ready for a new world order - a world in which the U.S. is in control. For he wants to be the leader of the world. As he is leader of the U.S., he is also dictator of the whole world,'' Muradi said.

In his message, Bush avoided attacks on Saddam himself and reassured the Iraqi people that, ''We have no quarrel with the people of Iraq.''

''I've said many time and I will repeat right now: Our only object is to oppose the invasion ordered by Saddam Hussein.''

Reminding the Iraqi people of their eight-year war with Iran that ended in 1988, Bush said ''Now, once again, Iraq finds itself on the brink of war. Once again, the same Iraqi leadership has miscalculated. Once again, the Iraqi people face tragedy.

''Today, opposed by world opinion, Iraq stands isolated and alone,'' he said, cautioning, ''I do not believe that you, the people of Iraq, want war.''

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#90260u0344 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (SEPT. 17) UPI - Calling opponents of U.S. bases in the Philippines ''small groups of noisy people,'' Defense Secretary Fidel V. Ramos said Monday the country needed the installations, but he defended a gradual phaseout until the end of the century as beneficial to both sides.

Ramos discussed the issue in an exclusive interview as the second round of U.S.-Philippine talks was scheduled to start Tuesday to discuss renewal of a 1947 agreement scheduled to lapse Sept. 16, 1991.

U.S. government sources have reportedly said the United States was willing to agree to a phaseout of the bases over a five- to 10-year term. A number of Philippine legislators and other public figures have demanded the end of a U.S. military presence.

''A gradual phaseout gives both countries time to adjust to a new situation,'' said Ramos, a 1950 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.

Despite his defense of a phaseout, Ramos did say the bases were needed. He said surveys showed Filipinos favored retention as well as extension of the bases agreement, and called opponents ''small groups of noisy people.'' The defense secretary, however, conceded difficulty might arise in getting the Philippine Senate to ratify a new agreement.

Ramos said Filipinos should not create ''new problems'' with a demand for the sudden elimination of the bases.

''More time is needed, be it just short of the 21st century - not a sudden stroke without planning.

''The gradual phaseout is a termination plan, not an extension plan,'' he said in his office at the Department of National Defense in Camp Aguinaldo in neighboring Quezon City.

Even with the United States and the Soviet Union ''embracing each other,'' said Ramos, the bases were necessary in a world becoming increasingly multi-polar.

He said Philippines neighbors were keeping their military ties elsewhere.

''The Commonwealth countries are still tied up with mother United Kingdom,'' he said. ''The world is a global village. We cannot be isolated from our friends.''

Ramos said changes in Eastern Europe and in the Middle East as well as internal events such as the July earthquake had made the climate in the Philippines more favorable to the presence of U.S. bases.

He said a number of options existed for the future of the bases, including joint U.S.-Philippine military use, Philippines civilian use, joint U.S.-Philippine civilian use, joint Philippine-foreign use.

''A lot of time is needed to make any of these a reality,'' he said.

He said he wanted from the United States for use of the bases a compensation package that included enough surplus equipment to equip a fourth engineering battalion in northern Luzon to assist in clearing areas damaged in the July earthquake and building roads and bridges.

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#90260u0355 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (SEPT. 17) UPI - Authorities have warned government employees to avoid foreign reporters and to beware of possible foreign saboteurs bent on disrupting this month's Asian Games ''everywhere and anywhere,'' Chinese sources say.

The latest calls for vigilance are part of a mounting security campaign to ensure the smooth production of China's first international sports meet opening in Beijing Sept. 22.

In a meeting earlier this month, senior Communist Party official Li Tieying gave officials from central government units strict orders to stay away from foreign reporters during the 16-day Asian Games.

''Absolutely no unauthorized contact with foreign reporters is allowed, including even casual encounters,'' Li said, according to a government official who attended the Sept. 5 meeting.

More than 3,000 foreign journalists will be in the capital to cover the quadrennial sports meet, and China is anxious to present a harmonious facade in the wake of last year's tumultuous democracy protests and their violent suppression June 4, 1989.

''The government is very nervous about having so many reporters here at a time when China is so unstable,'' the official said, speaking on the condition of anonymity.

Li, a member of China's ruling Politburo and the Minister of Education, also instructed cadres to wear ''clean, attractive clothing,'' avoid street disputes, and to ''be enthusiastic about sports events'' during the Games.

Official paranoia over any possible threats to the Games escalated with a new police warning to beware of foreign saboteurs allegedly dispatched to the capital on a mission to mar the event.

''Hostile forces and enemies in exile have sent people to disrupt the Asian Games with sabotage and explosives,'' the Beijing Public Security Bureau said in an internal notice issued to government work units Sept. 12.

''These forces include anti-Communist and anti-government groups and individuals who plan to sabotage the Games not only at sports venues, but everywhere and anywhere,'' the warning said, according to a source who read the notice.

Officials have stated repeatedly and without elaboration that ''hostile elements at home and abroad'' may try to sabotage the event, but the recent warning implied that such groups have actually been detected.

Deputy Director of Security for the Asian Games Wang Dingfeng said Friday that the government would deploy large numbers of security officials to prevent any disturbances by ''criminal elements'' plotting sabotage.

Chinese sources close to the Beijing Military Region say at least one recent theft of ammunition has been reported from an army depot outside Beijing. They had no details on the type of ammunition stolen.

A party official who heard the latest warning speculated that security authorities are exaggerating in order to intimidate possible troublemakers.

''They're probably just saying that to keep everyone on guard,'' the official said.

Special warnings also have been issued to students, who led the 1989 protests and have since been subjected to a series of punitive educational policies.

Students at prestigious Beijing University, a center of last year's unrest, have reportedly been warned by department heads to ''obey discipline'' and avoid disrupting a Sept. 18 Asian Games torch parade that will pass through the western university district.

Authorities are apparently fearful that the spectacle of a procession near the university will evoke memories of the spontaneous pro-democracy marches that began on Beijing university campuses last spring and spread nationwide.

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#90260u0366 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (SEPT. 17) UPI - The United Auto Workers and General Motors Corp. announced a tentative agreement early Monday on a new three-year labor pact for about 310,000 active and indefinitely idled workers containing gains in job security and pensions.

The tentative agreement included a 3 percent wage increase in the first year plus 3 percent lump sum payments in the second and third years.

The union and nation's top automaker gave word of the agreement at GM's Detroit headquarters just after 2:30 a.m., following about 41 hours of nonstop bargaining that began about 9 a.m. Saturday. The two sides had agreed to extend indefinitely the deadline of the existing contract past the Friday midnight deadline.

''We have been tremendously successful in this set of negotiations,'' UAW President Owen Bieber said, but declined to be specific about details of the pact until GM workers ratify it, most probably by Sept. 30. ''We had many difficult things to face, many of them none of our doing.''

UAW Vice President Stephen P. Yokich, chief negotiator for the union's GM Dept., said ''we had a rough road to hoe on some issues'' but said he was pleased with the agreement.

GM Chairman Robert C. Stempel said in a statement that the tentative contract would ''provide the basis for a new level of trust'' and help the carmaker continue to improve its market share profitably.

No details of the tentative pact were immediately available, pending a morning board meeting and approval by the union's 400-member GM Bargaining Council Monday in Dearborn, Mich., which must be done before a ratification vote by workers.

The council will most likely closely scrutinize the tentative agreement, because under the current contract, GM managed to lop off about 45,000 jobs by calling several plants ''indefinitely idled'' instead of closed, skirting what was thought to be a moratorium on all plant closings.

GM Vice President Alfred S. Warren, Jr., the automaker's chief bargainer, ignored questions about whether GM might have to close more plants, instead boldly predicting the automaker would raise sales and create more jobs.

''Our eyes are riveted on the sky,'' Warren said. ''We are looking to expand our industry. We're looking to increase our market share and we're looking to add employees to our ranks.''

Still, industry analysts say GM, which has seen its share of the U.S. auto market shrink nearly 10 points to about 36 percent during the last decade, must reduce its workforce by about 60,000 workers during the next three years and close more plants to get production in line with demand.

It is believed that the extended bargaining focused on resolving the traditionally tough ''money'' issues, notably the union's top priority of achieving enhanced job security and in particular, the fate of about 30,000

laid-off workers at GM.

If ratified, the union will use its agreement with GM as a pattern for new contracts at rival carmakers Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp., whose agreements also were to expire at Friday midnight. While Bieber said the GM contract ''can be fitted very well'' to those carmakers, what remains to be seen is if those two carmakers, especially third- ranked Chrysler, will agree to it.

Meanwhile, nearly 13,000 Canadian Auto Workers members were to walk the picket lines Monday at Ford Motor Co. of Canada's nine Ontario plants and one parts depot. The CAW struck Ford Canada after their Friday midnight deadline expired without the two sides reaching an agreement.

Bargaining resumed Sunday at the subcommittee level with the two sides were still far apart on key economic issues.

CAW President Robert White warned Sunday he would recess negotiations ''for a week or 10 days'' if there is no new offer by Ford Canada by Tuesday on economic issues like wages, cost-of-living adjustments and job security.

''We're not going to sit around here and negotiate with ourselves,'' White said, adding he did not know whether Ford had been waiting for GM and the UAW to reach agreement first.

A prolonged walkout at Ford Canada's facilities could affect Ford's U.S. operations within about 10 days to two weeks. Hardest hit may be Ford assembly plants in Michigan, Chicago and Atlanta that depend on V6 engines made at Ford's Windsor plant for cars like the Taurus, Sable and Continental.

Bargaining was expected to resume at 10 a.m. EDT Monday. Company spokesman Jim Hartford said the two sides were still far apart on the major issues of wages and paid time off.

''We are a considerable distance apart, but dialogue continues,'' Hartford said.

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#90260u0367 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - Fall-like weather arrived in the Northeast and mid-Atlantic states Monday as temperatures dropped below freezing in some areas, while clear, pleasant weather covered the West and South and rain hit Texas.

Flash flood warnings were in effect throughout south central Texas, and local authorities reported several small roads under water following persistent thunderstorms along the San Saba River.

The warnings were in effect south of San Angelo and the Sutton County sheriff's office said four farm-to-market roads were closed because of high water and a fifth was expected to be closed before the waters receded.

The Northeast and Middle Atlantic states shivered as cool weather followed a cold front that passed through the region Sunday bringing violent thunderstorms that downed tree limbs and dumped hail along the coast.

The National Weather Service posted frost advisories and warnings in the Southern Tier and Catskill regions of New York and northwest Pennsylvania as temperatures dropped into the 30s in most of the area and as low as 25 in the northern mountains of western Pennsylvania.

The West enjoyed pleasant weather and even the normally cold and windy Candlestick Park in San Francisco was warm and sunny Sunday.

The mercury reached the 95-degree mark in Las Vegas Sunday as a moderate cool front moved into the area from the Pacific Northwest. Overnight lows Monday were in the high 60s.

Developing high pressure in the eastern Pacific will bring sunny skies to western Washington Monday afternoon after morning fog and low cloudiness. A cold front moved across Montana with variably cloudy skies and cool overnight air.

High pressure gave much of the South beautiful weather - generally fair with mild temperatures, but the heat lingered in some areas.

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#90260u0369 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 17) UPI - An earthquake measuring 1.9 on the Richter scale rolled through the downtown area early Monday, but most residents slept through the mild temblor, authorities said.

The quake measuring 1.9 on the Richter scale hit the area at 1:03 a.m., said Douglas Smith, a spokesman for the Caltech Seismology Laboratory.

The epicenter was 4 miles north of downtown Los Angeles.

Police said they got no calls asking about the temblor and officers didn't even feel the shaker.

''I've felt heavier trucks go by,'' said Smith, who lives in 9 miles north of downtown in Pasadena.

''I missed the whole thing.''

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#90260u0465 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 17) UPI - Solidarity union leader Lech Walesa has been hinting for months that he would run for President of Poland, and today he made it official. He said he made his decision today to run for president to replace former Communist Party leader General Wojciech Jaruzelski. Walesa has been dissatisfied with the pace of reforms in the year that Solidarity Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki has been in office.

The Iraqi news agency says ''Millions of Iraqi masses'' took to the streets and chanted anti-American slogans to protest the message by President Bush aired yesterday on Iraqi television. In the message, Bush warned that Iraq canNOT win a war in the Persian Gulf, and said ''Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait.'' The broadcast was followed by a rebuttal that denounced the Bush message. .

Financial aid to Egypt, Turkey and Jordan tops the agenda today at a meeting of European Community foreign ministers in Brussels, Belgium. Those three countries have been hit hard by the Persian Gulf crisis. The ministers earlier approved an aid package in principle, but did NOT set an exact amount. Also up for discussion are relations with Israel, and possible aid for Eastern European nations.

If all goes well, by this time tomorrow the shuttle Columbia will be in space starting a long-delayed astronomy mission. But first, the shuttle must get past fuel-loading without springing anymore leaks. Engineers at Cape Canaveral are to begin loading fuel aboard Columbia today. The mission has been delayed three times already this year, mainly because of fuel leaks.

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#90260u0472 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 17) UPI - United Auto Workers officials say they're pleased with the tentative agreement reached today with General Motors. Few details of the three- year pact were available, pending approval by the union's 400-member G-M Bargaining Council which meets today in Dearborn, Michigan. The contract also must be ratified by G-M workers, probably by September 30th. G-M Chairman Robert Stempel says the pact provides ''the basis for a new level of trust.''

A vote tonight by members of the Newspaper Guild apparently will determine whether the New York Post will live or die. The membership meets tonight to vote on a management offer that includes a four-day work week, a 12 percent cut in benefits, and loss of more than 40 jobs. The paper's owner says he's prepared to fold the 189-year-old tabloid if the union votes down the proposal.

The success of a U-N peace plan for Cambodia is seen as riding on a new Supreme National Council that met for the first time today. Leaders of

Cambodia's four battling factions opened the meeting in the Cambodian Embassy in Bangkok. They're trying to resolve their differences over who should be chairman. The council is to represent Cambodia during a transitional period meant to end the fighting and prepare for elections.

In South Africa, the traditional king of the country's six-Million Zulus appealed to thousands of followers for an end to urban black violence. King Goodwill Zwelethini told Zulus gathered near Johannesburg yesterday that he wants ''to put out the fires of violence.'' Clashes between warring black factions have left hundreds dead in the past six weeks.

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#90260u0531 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - Solidarity founder Lech Walesa announced today he will run for president of Poland. He has been hinting for months he will run. Walesa has expressed dissatisfaction with reforms under Poland's post-communist rule.

Streets in Iraq filled up with angry people yesterday following a televised address by President Bush. Iraq's news agency says Millions of Iraqis demonstrated. Bush said Iraq can NOT win a war in the Persian Gulf.

Foreign ministers of the European Community are in Brussels to decide how much aid to give to Egypt, Turkey and Jordan. Those are the countries hardest hit by the Persian Gulf crisis.

Leftist protesters clashed with riot police outside the U-S Embassy in Manila today. Three police and two other people were hurt in a brief fight. Two demonstrators were arrested.

General Motors and the United Auto Workers announced a tentative three-year contract this morning. The union says job security and pensions are improved. Wages would go up three percent the first year if the pact is ratified.

New York Post workers belonging to the Newspaper Guild will vote tonight on whether to accept big pay cuts to save the newspaper. Their union leaders have rejected the plan. The nine other Post unions have accepted the plan.

Florida's lottery department has arranged free flights to Tallahassee for the six winners of the 105-Million-dollar lottery to have their tickets validated. NO winner has come forward yet.

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#90260u0537 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - The shuttle Columbia is ready for fueling tonight. Whether it can be launched tomorrow on a 10-day flight with seven astronauts aboard depends on whether any leak is detected during fueling. The mission already

has been postponed three times.

Marine firefighting equipment has been flown to Bay City, Michigan, to fight a blaze on a tanker carrying nearly one-Million gallons of gasoline. A firefighting crew is being flown from Texas.

Jay Stephens, the U-S attorney for Washington, D-C, announces today whether he wants to re-try Mayor Marion Barry on drug and perjury charges. An earlier jury deadlocked on most charges. Barry was convicted on one misdemeanor charge.

Officials of Liberia's interim government say Charles Taylor has rejected a peace proposal. Taylor leads the most powerful rebel faction in the west African nation. Liberia has been rocked by civil war for nine months.

Temperatures dropped below freezing this morning as parts of the Northeast and East got a preview of autumn. A cold front also brought violent thunderstorms. Some frost advisories were issued.

A 20-month-old boy who was rescued from a 10-inch shaft in Denver was released from a hospital after only eight hours. Kevin Davis fell in the hole Saturday night. Rescuers dug a parallel shaft and rescued him after 14 hours.

''L-A Law'' won an Emmy for the third time last night as the best drama series on television. ''Murphy Brown'' was named best comedy series and its star, Candice Bergen, best actress in a comedy series.

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#90260u0540 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - A selloff in the Japanese bond market Monday sent stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange sharply lower in light trading.

The widely watched Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which eased 177.62 points last Friday, plunged 531.86 points, or 2 percent, to 24, 365.60.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares, which fell 17.00 points Friday, lost 35.49 points to 1,860.19.

Volume remained light as an estimated 300 million shares changed hands, down from the 547 million shares changing hands Friday.

Declines hammered advances 822 to 144, while 125 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks closed lower in thin trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange with cautious investors waiting for strong signals from the other markets.

The Hang Seng Index, which tumbled 31.93 points Friday, dropped 42.17 points,

or 1.3 percent, to 3,019.87.

In Bangkok, stocks fell sharply in light trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange, with the main market index losing more than 7 percent of its value in reaction to developments in the Middle East.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) Index, which tumbled 33.11 points Friday, fell 57.50 points or 7.5 percent to 702.48.

Volume was light as an estimated 1.1 billion shares changed hands, compared with 1.7 billion shares Friday.

In Singapore, stocks slumped in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange with investors stilled by uncertainty about the Middle East standoff.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which lost 14.97 points Friday, fell another 30.10 points to 1,196.73. The broader-based All Singapore Index fell 8.41 points to 338.35.

An estimated 38.8 million shares changed hands, compared with 43.8 million shares Friday.

Declines overwhelmed advances by 186 to only seven.

In Australia, stock prices closed slightly lower in light trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index eased 3.0 points to 1,477.1.

Volume remained sluggish as an estimated 70.8 million shares changed hands, compared with 74 million shares Friday.

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#90260u0556 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (SEPT. 17) UPI - Vietnam's prime minister and Communist Party leader held secret talks with Chinese officials early this month that led to a breakthrough agreement toward a peace settlement by Cambodia's warring factions, foreign diplomats said Monday.

The talks were the first among the two nations' leaders since Hanoi and Beijing fell out more than a decade ago. Vietnam invaded Cambodia in late 1978 and Vietnam and China fought a brief border war the following year.

Western and Asian diplomats said Vietnam's Communist Party leader Nguyen Van Linh and Prime Minister Du Muoi, along with former Prime Minister Pham Van Dong, secretly traveled to China for talks on Sept. 3- 4 with Chinese Communist Party leader Jiang Zemin and Premier Li Peng.

The talks were believed to have taken place in Beijing, the diplomats said.

Chinese officials quietly informed some Asian embassies of the meetings during the past week, but have declined to discuss the subject with Western diplomats or reporters.

The meetings preceded by a few days the breakthrough accord in Jakarta, Indonesia, on Sept. 10 among Cambodia's warring factions to accept a U.N. framework for a peace settlement and form a transition national leadership until the plan can be implemented.

''The Vietnam-China talks were mostly on Cambodia,'' a Western diplomat said. ''That's why the Jakarta meeting was a success.''

China is the key supporter of the three-faction resistance fighting the Vietnam-installed Cambodian government. Beijing is also the only major backer of the communist Khmer Rouge, the strongest and most controversial of the resistance groups.

The diplomats said the secret talks led to acceptance by Vietnam and the Phnom Penh government of the peace settlement framework devised by the permanent five members of the U.N. Security Council: the United States, the Soviet Union China, France and Britain.

The factions also agreed to establish an all-party Supreme National Council to work on peace formulas and work with the U.N. in administering Cambodia during a cease-fire and until free elections can be held.

The Cambodian council held its first meeting Monday in Bangkok.

At the secret talks with Chinese leaders, one diplomat said, ''the Vietnamese signed onto the Perm-Five peace plan. The question, is what did they get in return?''

China and Vietnam have edged closer in recent years despite more than a decade of enmity, including border clashes through the mid-1980s and armed clashes as late as 1988 over a disputed island chain, the Spratlys, in the South China Sea.

Chinese and Vietnamese foreign ministry officials have met several times in the past two years. But while Hanoi has sought an improvement in bilateral relations, Beijing has insisted on a Cambodian peace settlement, including a full withdrawal of Vietnamese troops.

Diplomats said one Chinese concession is believed to be that former Vietnamese Defense Minister Vo Nguyen Giap will visit Beijing, apparently beginning this week, to attend the Asian Games opening next Saturday.

Giap led Vietnamese forces against the French and U.S. armies and formed the military that hurt Chinese troops badly in the 1979 border war.

''We think he will also continue the talks,'' a Western diplomat said.

As another sign of improving bilateral relations, Vietnam's athletic delegation to the Asian Games crossed into China Monday through the so- called ''Friendship Pass'' on the border with China's southern Guangxi province, Chinese state television reported.

The delegation will travel by rail to Beijing. The pass, opened in friendlier times, was closed after the 1979 border war.

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#90260u0591 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - U-S officials say they have NO idea if the message by President Bush aired on Iraqi television yesterday was widely seen. But spokesman Bill Harlow says ''the president's words must have struck home, given the lengths to which the Iraqis went to attempt to discredit them.'' The Bush message was followed by a rebuttal denouncing the speech as full of ''claims and lies.''

A huge fire is burning out of control on a gasoline tanker on the Saginaw River near Bay City, Michigan. Special firefighting equipment arrived today from Texas to help battle the blaze. The fire was triggered by an explosion yesterday that injured 11 crew members and left a 12th missing and presumed dead. Nearly one-Million gallons of gasoline were aboard the tanker.

Solidarity union leader Lech Walesa has made his decision. He says he will run for president of Poland. A Solidarity-led government has been in power for about a year, but Walesa is dissatisfied with the pace of reform. He has been hinting for months that he would run for the presidency.

41 hours of NON-stop bargaining ended this morning when the United Auto Workers reached tentative agreement with General Motors in Detroit. The new three-year pact calls for a three-percent wage hike in the first year, and three-percent lump sum payments in the second and third years. The contract still must be approved by the union's G-M Bargaining Council, and must be ratified by G-M workers.

An American firm accuses a Japanese airport company of violating a U-S-Japanese trade agreement. A-E-G Westinghouse says it was cheated out of a contract to build a people mover system at a Japanese airport. The nod went to a Japanese firm. A-E-G Westinghouse says it will take its complaint to Capitol Hill.

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#90260u0605 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
BRUSSELS, Belgium (SEPT. 17) UPI - Unemployment in the 12-nation European Community was 8.6 percent in July, the same level the EC has experienced since March, it was announced Monday.

The EC said the jobless rate was highest in Ireland at 16.7 percent. Luxembourg had the lowest rate at 1.6 percent.

Unemployment in other countries was: Portugal, 5.0 percent; West Germany, 5.3 percent; Britain, 6.1 percent; Denmark, 7.1 percent; Belgium, 8.2 percent; Holland, 8.7 percent; France, 9.4 percent; Italy, 11.3 percent; and Spain, 15.4 percent.

The EC did not report the jobless rate for Greece.

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#90260u0628 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
PICAYUNE, MS (SEPT. 17) UPI - A rebellious, troubled teenager drove around town drinking beer after allegedly slaying his grandparents and mentally retarded brother and aunt, authorities said.

John Morrell Frierson, 17, was charged with four counts of capital murder and two counts of rape after the attacks, during which he allegedly sexually assaulted his grandmother and aunt, said Pearl River County Sheriff Lorance Lumpkin.

Lumpkin said Frierson, armed with a shotgun and .22-caliber rifle, was arrested without incident Sunday at an apartment complex in Picayune. He was held without bond.

Frierson is charged with shooting and killing his grandfather, Ray Merle Frierson, 61; his grandmother, Molly M. Frierson, 58; his 13-year- old brother Josh Morrell; and 38-year-old Pam Howard, Mrs. Frierson's daughter.

Lumpkin said the grandparents had legally adopted Frierson about 10 years ago after the body of his mother, Debra Morrell, was found dumped in a central Mississippi county. No one was ever charged in her death, he said.

An unidentified daughter found the bodies sprawled inside the family home in the Nicholson community south of Picayune on Mississippi 607 Saturday night after she had failed to reach her mother by telephone. John Frierson also lived at the home.

Investigators speculated Frierson had been out during the night and returned to the family home about 4 a.m., when he went on the killing rampage.

Lumpkin said investigators believe Molly Frierson was shot as she opened the door to a bedroom and that her husband was then killed as he got out of bed. Josh Morrell was fatally wounded when he sat up in his grandparents bed.

Howard was shot in another bedroom with a .22-caliber rifle, Lumpkin said.

''Mr. and Mrs. Frierson probably endured more than the other two because they were shot with two different firearms and beaten,'' Lumpkin said.

Josh Morrel and Howard were mentally retarded, Lumpkin said, adding their handicap could have impeded a possible escape.

Following the murders, Lumpkin said, Frierson allegedly took $200 from his grandparents and out of their car. He picked up a 17-year-old friend and ''they went and bought some beer and spent the course of the day drinking and riding around,'' Lumpkin said.

Lumpkin said Frierson also faces two counts of armed robbery.

The sheriff's office received a tip that led to an apartment where Frierson was arrested without incident.

Lumpkin said the unidentified teenage friend was held for questioning, but no charges have been filed.

The sheriff said John Frierson had abused drugs and alcohol and had been involved in minor criminal activity. ''They just couldn't do anything with him '' Lumpkin said.

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#90260u0668 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - President Ronald Reagan once called the Soviet Union the ''evil empire.'' Now a former president, Reagan has returned to Moscow where today he told a committee of the Soviet Parliament he is impressed with its reforms. Reagan stood in front of portraits of Marx and Lenin as he praised the Soviet efforts to return to a market economy. Some delegates looked bored as Reagan, who studied economics in college, lectured on supply and demand and market pricing.

General Motors has agreed to a tentative contract the United Auto Workers hopes will set the pattern for negotiations with the two other major domestic carmakers. Agreement was announced in Detroit this morning after more than 40 hours of NON-stop bargaining. G-M workers would get a three percent wage hike in the first year and lump sum payments in later years. It is believed the union concentrated on the fate of 30-thousand laid-off workers.

Tomorrow morning is the scheduled launch time for the delay-plagued shuttle Columbia. If it does NOT lift off by Wednesday the flight may be put on hold indefinitely because other launches will have priority. Workers will check carefully to see if a leak problem has finally been solved. That will be known during fueling tonight. Columbia is to take seven astronauts on a 10-day flight to make astronomical studies.

The West African nation of Gabon held its first multi- party elections yesterday and scattered violence broke out. A polling place ran out of ballots in southern Gabon, triggering an attack by a mob. Another polling place in Libreville, the capital, was closed when a terrorist group raided it. Troops with tanks were called out elsewhere to protect voting places.

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#90260u0676 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - Leaders of Cambodia's government and various fighting factions are in Bangkok, Thailand, for the first meeting of the ''Supreme National Council''... a group set up under a United Nations peace plan. Cambodia has been in a civil war since 1978 when Vietnam installed a government. Three different factions have fought to oust it. One of the council's first jobs is to choose delegates to the U-N General Assembly.

Philippine Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos favors a gradual phaseout of the U-S military bases in his country. He says spacing the closings over time until the end of the century gives both the United States and the Philippines time to adjust. Ramos calls people demanding an immediate U- S pullout ''small groups of noisy people.'' Negotiations begin tomorrow on renewing the agreement allowing the U-S bases in the Philippines.

A Seattle husband and wife are wrestling with the problem of whether their eight-month-old child, who is close to death, should be allowed to die. The father, Leonard Bryan, pleaded guilty to a charge of assaulting the boy who suffered a fractured skull, two broken bones and the collapse of both lungs. Bryan is now in prison. Authorities say if the baby dies, they might bring murder charges.

The city government of Miami Beach, Florida, is considering a bill that would require police to tell employers when an employee is arrested on drug charges. Police Chief Phillip Huber proposed the law. He says in the case of a bus driver or airline pilot public safety is involved. But the American Civil Liberties Union says it will fight the bill in court if it becomes law.

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#90260u0677 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept.

14: Purchases of 336,415 shares and sales of 567,806 shares including 176,920 shares sold short.

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#90260u0683 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

AL AZRAQ, JORDAN (SEPT. 17) UPI - There was plenty of water for everyone, but a fight between two Bangladeshis broke out anyway as stranded Asian workers lined up at a water tank.

Dozens of refugees from the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait ran through rows of white tents to see what was happening as a single unarmed Jordanian soldier restored order. After a few minutes, camp leaders brought together the two angry men, blood running down their faces, for a reconciliation.

The fight in the Al Azraq II refugee camp was another sign of the rising frustration among Asian workers who have been waiting up to a month in the desert for a chance to return home.

''If you told them they are leaving in 15 days, then they can manage, '' assistant camp director Ali el Hadid said. ''But if they don't know when theyare leaving, they start asking questions and get nervous.''

Conditions at the two Al Azraq camps set up last week are much better than those at earlier camps hastily built in the neutral zone between the Jordanian and Iraqi borders as tens thousands of workers fleeing Iraq and Kuwait sought refuge in Jordan.

The new Al Azraq camps are located in a broad desert valley about 50 miles from the capital Amman, making deliveries of supplies easier. The tents are laid out in rows to facilitate food distribution. There are tented, covered latrines, piped water and even electric lighting in parts of the sprawling camp, which can expand to hold 20,000 people.

About 8,000 Asians were housed in Azraq I over the weekend with 20 to 50 busloads of new arrivals coming every day. No one left.

Even with the tolerable conditions, the refugees want more food and blankets, but most of all they want some assurance they will be sent home.

''We don't know when we can go home. We came here with the hope of being repatriated,'' said Mohammed Abdul Wadud, 50. ''Our turn must have come by this time.''

Many Bangladeshis complained that their nation's consular officials had not come to see them. Some spent up to a month at the squalid Shalaan I camp before being transferred to Al Azraq.

Increasingly, the workers are becoming impatient with the austerity of camp life. On Saturday, about 500 Bangladeshis held a demonstration demanding food. Relief workers said they explained that the workers had not yet received their food because of the distribution schedule.

A volunteer doctor said no serious health problems had been reported, but that dehydration, colds and diarrhea were the most common complaints.

More than 400,000 refugees have entered Jordan since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. The international effort to repatriate the penniless workers has eased the crisis, leaving about 29,000 in Jordan as thousands depart every day.

Relief workers, however, are worried that tens of thousands more could pour across the Iraqi border at any time and that the rainy winter season may start before the desert camps are emptied.

''The main problem is people are still coming. Though the conditions here are sustainable now, the conditions may not be sustainable in the winter,'' said the Rev. William Taylor, an Anglican priest who is helping run the Mercy Camp.

''Time is very important. The scale of the evacuation problem must be put under control by winter,'' he said.

Already the Red Crescent is passing out more blankets because of the increasingly chilly September nights. During Jordan's winter, it rains frequently and occasionally snows.

In the meantime, the refugees spend hot days washing or remain inside their tents, out of intense sunlight.

''It is better here. We feel secure,'' said Cecil Quimson as he relaxed under a tarp with other Filipino workers. The 34-year-old electrician said officials from the Philippines Embassy had told them they will be repatriated in one or two weeks.

''Even if it is OK here, we want to go,'' he said. ''Our families are worrying too much about us.''

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#90260u0706 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Hotel queen Leona Helmsley took out a full-page ad in The New York Times Monday to berate Iraqi leader Sadam Hussein for calling his hostages ''guests'' and appealing to him to let them go.

''I know something about how one is supposed to treat guests, Mr. Hussein,'' said Helmsle, who is fighting a four-year sentence to federal prison for tax fraud.

''In your bizarre world where detention centers have become hotels and hostages have become guests, I can make one recommendation that I have never made in all the years I have been welcoming people: Mr. Hussein, it is time to check out,'' the ad said.

''In the name of humanity, and on behalf of families who fear for the lives of their loved ones, I ask that you release these hostage at once and confront this conflict of your making with the human shields you now cower behind.''

Helmsley, wife of real estate mogul Harry Helmsley, was convicted in federal court Aug. 30, 1989, on charges of cheating on millions of dollars in income taxes. She was sentenced to four years in prison and fined $7.1 million. Her attorneys are appealing.

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#90260u0732 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

BERN, Switzerland (SEPT. 17) UPI - Wholesale prices rose 0.5 percent in August because of sharply higher oil prices caused by the Gulf crisis, the government said Monday.

Excluding petroleum products, the wholesale price index declined 0.4 percent, the government said.

Heating fuel costs jumped 39 percent in August, while gasoline rose 14 percent and diesel fuel 13 percent, the government said.

The year-on-year rate of increase in wholesale prices was 1.9 percent compared to August 1989.

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#90260u0766 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (SEPT. 17) UPI - Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement played down Monday France's decision to send 4,000 troops to the Persian Gulf, saying the deployment was not intended to lock his country ''in the logic of war.''

''The policy of France, as the president of the republic recalled, remains the embargo, to constrain Iraq to return to international law,'' Chevenement said in an interview with the business newspaper ''La Tribune de l'Expansion.''

''It is not a question of locking ourselves in the logic of war but of reinforcing the dissuasion to discourage a new aggression.''

Chevenement consistently has poured cold water on hawkish statements by Foreign Minister Roland Dumas and Prime Minister Michel Rocard, leading to speculation he soon may resign.

Saturday, Chevenement was visiting Saudi Arabia when President Francois Mitterrand convened an emergency meeting of his inner cabinet and decided to send 4,000 troops to the gulf and expel several Iraqis in response to Iraqi troops violating the immunity of the French Ambassador's residence in Kuwait.

The troops seized the French military attache and three civilians, but freed the military attache soon after. The whereabouts of the three civilians was unknown.

In all, 29 Iraqis left France Sunday night for Jordan following expulsion orders. Of these, 18 were members of the Iraqi military including four pilots, eight technicians and three intelligence service agents.

Iraqi Ambassador Abdul Razzak al Hashimi attended the departure of the 29 from Charles de Gaulle Airport. He said the French government action was hasty and claimed there had been no violation of the Ambassador's residence in Kuwait.

The Iraqi envoy also said that 11 Iraqi diplomats declared undesirable or persona non grata under the package announced by Mitterrand Saturday would leave France Friday.

Chevenement told ''La Tribune de l'Expansion'' that 1,000 vehicles including 210 tanks and 48 helicopters would accompany the French force being sent to the gulf.

A shipping company in Marseille has rented a car ferry, the ''Corse'' to the government as of Thursday, to help ship men and vehicles. It is capable of carrying 2,262 passengers and 700 vehicles.

Defense Ministry sources said Gen. Michel Roquejeoffre, head of France's Rapid Action Force, is expected to lead the French contingent being deployed in Saudi Arabia.

A delegation of leaders of French Moslems will travel to Baghdad Wednesday to try and obtain the release of more of about 400 French citizens trapped in Kuwait and Iraq, a spokesman for the National Federation of Repatriated French of Islamic Faith said Monday.

The delegation will be led by Hachem Bounini, president of the pressure group, who received an invitation from the Iraqi ambassador to make the visit.

French Radio France Info reported four elderly or sick French hostages received permission from Iraqi authorities to leave Baghdad Monday after an appeal to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein by former Algerian President Ahmed Ben Bella.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

BATTING (Minimum 335 at-bats)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	444	109	145	.327
Brett, KC	510	78	166	.325
Palmeiro, Tex	537	66	171	.318
Trammell, Det	525	68	165	.314
Boggs, Bos	569	84	177	.311
Parker, Mil	554	67	169	.305
McGriff, Tor	495	85	151	.305
Harper, Min	447	59	136	.304
CJames, Cle	480	55	146	.304
Burks, Bos	528	80	159	.301

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Dykstra, Phi	545	98	182	.334
Magadan, NY	400	68	129	.323
Murray, LA	497	85	158	.318
Doran, Cin	378	57	118	.312
Dawson, Chi	478	61	149	.312
Grace, Chi	533	65	166	.311
Gwynn, SD	573	79	177	.309
Bonds, Pit	478	96	147	.308
LSmith, Atl	413	62	127	.308

HOME RUNS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 47; McGwire and Canseco, Oak 37; McGriff, Tor 34; Gruber, Tor 28; Deer, Mil 27.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi 36; Mitchell, SF and Strawberry, NY 34; Bonilla, Pit 31; Williams, SF 30.

RUNS BATTED IN

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 120; Gruber, Tor 106; McGwire, Oak 103; Canseco Oak 95; Parker, Mil 90; Sierra, Tex 88.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Williams, SF 111; Bonds, Pit and Carter, SD 107; Bonilla, Pit, 106; Strawberry, NY 101.

DOUBLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Brett, KC and Boggs, Bos 43; Jo.Reed, Bos and Calderon, Chi 42; Harper, Min 40.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Jefferies, NY 39; Dykstra, Phi, Bonilla, Pit, Sabo, Cin 35; Johnson, NY, Roberts, SD, Presley, Atl and Wallach, Mtl 34.

TRIPLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fernandez, Tor 17; Sosa, Chi 9; Liriano, Min and Burks, Bos 8; Johnson, Chi, Brett and Eisenreich, KC, Felix, Tor and Pettis, Tex 7.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Duncan, Cin 11; Gwynn, SD 10; Coleman, StL 9; Dunston, Chi and L.Smith, Atl 8.

STOLEN BASES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 60; Kelly, NY 38; Sax, NY 36; Pettis, Tex 33; Johnson, Chi 32.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 57; Bonds, Pit 48; Nixon, Mtl 45; Raines, Mtl and Butler, SF 43.

RUNS SCORED

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 109; Fielder, Det 94; Yount, Mil 93; Reynolds, Sea 89; Browne, Cle, Franco, Tex and Phillips, Det 88.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi 107; Bonilla, Pit 105; Dykstra, Phi 98; Gant, Atl and Bonds, Pit 96.

HITS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Boggs, Bos 177; Palmeiro, Tex 171; Parker, Mil 169; Griffey Jr., Sea 168; Kelly, NY and Brett, KC 166.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Dykstra, Phi 182; Gwynn, SD 177; Sandberg, Chi 171; McGee, StL and Larkin, Cin 168.

VICTORIES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Welch, Oak 24; Clemens, Bos and Stewart, Oak 20; Stieb, Tor and Finley, Cal 18.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Drabek, Pit and Viola, NY 19; Martinez, LA 18; Gooden, NY 17; Smoltz, Atl, Browning, Cin, Valenzuela, LA and Maddux, Chi 13.

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 145 innings pitched)

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 1.98; Finley, Cal 2.45; Stewart, Oak 2.70; McCaskill, Cal, 2.87; Appier, KC 2.91.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Whitson, SD 2.42; Viola, NY 2.55; Drabek, Pit 2.75; Z. Smith Pit 2.85; De. Martinez, Mon 2.92.

STRIKEOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Ryan, Tex 208; Clemens, Bos 204; Witt, Tex 196; Hanson, Sea 191; Langston, Cal 182.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 207; Cone, NY 206; Gooden, NY 194; Fernandez, NY 168; Viola, NY 164.

SAVES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Thigpen, Chi 51; Eckersley, Oak 43; Jones, Cle 35; Righetti, NY 32; Olson, Bal 31.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Franco, NY 33; Myers, Cin 29; Smith, StL 26; Lefferts, SD and Smith, Hou 23.

COMPLETE GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Morris, Det and Stewart, Oak 9; Clemens, Bos and Brown, Tex 7; Finley, Cal, Gordon, KC, Leary, NY, Young, Sea and Witt, Tex 6.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 10; Maddux, Chi, Drabek, Pit, De.Martinez, Mtl, Hurst, SD and Viola, NY 7.

SHUTOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 4; Appier, KC and Stewart, Oak 3; 11 players tied with 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Morgan, LA 4; Gardner and Boyd, Mtl, Martinez, LA, Viola, NY Whitson and Hurst, SD 3.

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#90260u0775 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - The United Auto Workers union has what it looked for all summer, a tentative agreement with General Motors that is to become the pattern in talks with Ford and Chrysler. The 310-thousand active and indefinitely idled workers at G-M still have to vote on the pact. It includes a three percent wage increase in the first year and three percent lump-sum

payments in the second and third years.

Hints made over the past months have become reality with Lech Walesa's announcement that he will run for president of Poland. The Solidarity union leader has been dissatisfied with the pace of reforms that have swept Poland this year, ending 45 years of a communist monopoly.

Former President Reagan told a Soviet Parliament committee today that he is impressed with the reforms that have made Moscow into a valued partner in world affairs. Reagan talked to the Soviet Parliament international affairs committee. He says he is amazed by the changes made since he last visited the Soviet Union for a summit in May 1988. Reagan also advised patience during the transition period to a market economy in the Soviet Union.

Flames still roar out of control on the 393-foot ''M-V Jupiter'' gasoline tanker, which exploded yesterday on the Saginaw River near Bay City, Michigan. The blast injured 11 crew members and a 12th is missing and presumed dead. Coast Guard officials say the fire will be allowed to burn down some today and that NO fuel spilled into the river from the double-hulled vessel. Special equipment to battle the fire is being flown to the scene from Texas.

Fall showed up over the weekend in the Midwest, and people in the East woke up to that fact this morning. Overnight temperatures dropped below freezing in many areas, and frost advisories were posted for parts of Pennsylvania and New York's Catskill Mountains. The cool weather followed passage of a cold front that rolled towards the Atlantic in a reminder that summer is all but over.

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#90260u0815 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (SEPT. 17) UPI - The leaders of Cambodia's four battling factions failed to reach agreement Monday at the first meeting of a new Supreme National Council created to bring peace to their nation, officials said.

The talks will continue Tuesday afternoon, a senior Thai official said.

''We have some problems. We will continue discussions tomorrow,'' Prime Minister Hun Sen said after 3 1/2 hours of talks with leaders of the three resistance factions that have been fighting his Vietnam-backed government.

Other participants in the talks filed out of the Cambodian Embassy in Bangkok, refurbished for the talks after 15 years of disuse, without speaking to more than 100 waiting reporters.

Thai sources said the meeting stumbled over the key questions of electing a chairman for the new 12-man council and selecting a delegation to represent Cambodia at the U.N. General Assembly meeting due to start in New York on

Tuesday.

The resistance has proposed that overall resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk be elected to chair the council as a 13th member.

Hun Sen, however, has said Sihanouk - who was not at the meeting - should take the place of one of the existing resistance members of the council so representation will remain evenly divided between the resistance and the government.

The meeting included leaders of all four groups, which have been fighting among each other for at least 11 years. Some of the rivalries go back to the 1960s.

Among those facing Hun Sen were Khieu Samphan, nominal leader of the Khmer Rouge Communist guerillas who were ousted from power by the 1978 Vietnamese invasion; Son Sann, leader of the non-Communist Khmer People's National Liberation Front; and Prince Norodom Ranariddh, military commander of the forces loyal to his father, Sihanouk.

The council was created to embody Cambodia's national sovereignty during the implementation of a U.N. peace plan under which a U.N. authority will disarm troops, control key ministries and hold national elections.

All sides and their main backers - China for the rebels and Vietnam for the government - have endorsed the plan, which was worked out by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. There remain differences, however, on details of implementing the plan.

Before Monday's meeting, there had been indications that a compromise would be found to settle at least some differences over the leadership and the operation of the council.

''We should not allow the matter of the chairman of the Supreme National Council to block the settlement of other issues on the agenda,'' Hun Sen said before the meeting.

Problems, however, became apparent after two hours of discussion when the resistance leaders left the meeting to confer among themselves and with Thai officials.

Hun Sen told reporters that the selection of the Cambodian U.N. delegation was the most pressing issue.

The U.N. General Assembly has continued to recognize the resistance coalition as the legitimate government, even though the Vietnamese- installed regime has controlled most of Cambodia's population for more than a decade.

The resistance, however, has made steady military advances deep inside the country since the withdrawal of at least the bulk of Vietnamese troops in September of last year.

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#90260u0824 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

BUCHAREST, ROMANIA (SEPT. 17) UPI - Romania's key Black Sea port of Constanta ground to a halt Monday as more than 25,000 seamen and dock workers went on strike in the biggest walkout since the December revolution.

Members of the city's Seamen's Union and Drivers' Syndicate put down their tools at 8 a.m. to demand the removal of managers they say are blocking the implementation of reforms ordered by the government.

Union officials said the strike involves about 85 percent of the work force and has virtually shut down the port at Constanta, which accounts for about 60 percent of Romania's import and export traffic.

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One of the Constanta unions, the Drivers, signed an agreement with the goverment earlier this year on a moratorium on strikes. But union officials explained the accord was rendered invalid when the government broke its promise not to raise gasoline prices.

A statement spelling out the workers' demands said the strike was called ''because the administrators and other departments are not observing the government's decisions.''

The union called for the resignation of managers who were ''trying to compromise the government's program'' by refusing to pay bonuses to reward productivity, by ignoring new safety rules and by failing to recognize the new independent trade unions.

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#90260u0874 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - Business inventories jumped 0.7 percent in July while sales declined 0.5 percent, the Commerce Department said Monday, in yet another sign of a faltering domestic economy.

Private economists expected a 0.5 percent increase in the nation's stockpile of unsold goods as consumers spend less money in anticipation of a recession.

In June, business inventories fell a revised 0.5 percent while sales gained a revised 0.6 percent for the month, according to the data compiled by the

department's Census Bureau.

July inventories totaled $801.9 billion vs. $796.5 billion in June, while July sales totaled $539.5 billion vs. $542.4 billion.

Manufacturers' inventories advanced 0.7 percent in July after falling 0.5 percent in June, while retailers' inventories surged 0.8 percent in July after dipping by 0.1 percent in June.

The Commerce Department noted that the July inventory of automobile dealers climbed 2.5 percent over June's fleet of unsold vehicles.

Merchant wholesalers, meanwhile, reported a 0.5 percent jump in July inventories after a 1 percent drop in June.

Manufacturers' sales were off 0.8 percent in July after edging up 0.3 percent in June, but retailers reported a 0.4 percent advance in sales in July after a hefty 1.1 percent June gain.

Merchant wholesalers said their July sales plummeted by 1 percent in July after increasing 0.8 percent in June.

The Commerce Department also said that the closely watched inventory- to-sales ratio, which tracks the time it takes to sell goods, increased to 1.49 in July from 1.47 in June.

All the data were adjusted for seasonal factors and reflect the state of the economy prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent surge in oil and petroleum prices.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - Business inventories jumped 0.7 percent in July while sales declined 0.5 percent, the Commerce Department said Monday, in yet another sign of a faltering domestic economy.

Private economists expected a 0.5 percent increase in the nation's stockpile of unsold goods as consumers spend less money in anticipation of a recession.

In June, business inventories fell by a revised 0.5 percent while sales gained revised 0.6 percent for the month, according to the data compiled by the department's Census Bureau.

July inventories totaled $801.9 billion vs. $796.5 billion in June, while July sales totaled $539.5 billion vs. $542.4 billion.

Manufacturers' inventories advanced 0.7 percent in July after falling by 0.5

percent in June, while retailers' inventories surged 0.8 percent in July after dipping by 0.1 percent in June.

The Commerce Department noted that the July inventory of automobile dealers climbed by 2.5 percent over June's fleet of unsold vehicles.

Merchant wholesalers, meanwhile, reported a 0.5 percent jump in July inventories after a 1 percent drop in June.

Manufacturers' sales were off by 0.8 percent in July after edging up by 0.3 percent in June, but retailers reported a 0.4 percent advance in sales in July after a hefty 1.1 percent June gain.

Merchant wholesalers said their July sales plummeted by 1 percent in July after increasing by 0.8 percent in June.

The Commerce Department also said that the closely watched inventory- to-sales ratio, which tracks the time it takes to sell goods, increased to 1.49 in July from 1.47 in June.

All the data were adjusted for seasonal factors and reflect the state of the economu prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent surge in oil and petroleum prices.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - The United States' rotary rig count rose to 1,060 from 1,039 the week before and compared with 965 the same week a year ago, Baker Hughes Inc. reported Monday.

Offshore Data Services said drilling activity in the Gulf of Mexico continued its month-long decline with two fewer rigs working last week. Offshore Data also reported another rig has left the area in search of better job prospects.

Tom Marsh, Offshore Data drilling editor, said 142 rigs worked in the Gulf out of a fleet of 212 last week for a utilization rate of 67 percent. Two more rigs went to work in European waters, boosting the utilization rate to 95.6 percent with 129 rigs working out of a fleet of 135.

Worldwide, there were 552 rigs working last week out of a fleet of 668 for a utilization rate of 82.6 percent.

Other rotary rig counts were Texas, 349 both last week and the week before compared with 297 for the same time one year ago; Louisiana, 146, 146 and 134; New Mexico, 65, 48 and 31; Oklahoma, 124, 122 and 134.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $388.70, silver base of $4.79 and platinum price of $457.00:

	Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$404.70	402.40
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	207.60	206.90
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	106.60	106.00
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	44.00	43.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	404.70	402.40
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	207.60	206.90
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	107.10	106.50
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	44.00	43.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	411.20	408.90
China Panda .50 troy oz.	211.80	210.70
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.90	109.30
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.50	47.20
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.30	28.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	404.80	402.50
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	206.90	205.70
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	104.50	103.90
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	44.70
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	403.30	401.40
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	208.70	207.70
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	107.10	106.60
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.50	45.30
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	403.20	400.90
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	207.30	206.10
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.90	87.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	46.00	45.80
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.90	23.30
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.20	$6.21
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,480	$3,490
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,500	$1,500
Platinum		
Australian Koala	480.00	481.00
Isle of Man Noble	468.00	470.00
Canada Maple Leaf	480.00	481.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90260u0904 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
DEARBORN, MI (SEPT. 17) UPI - Nearly 800 Arab-Americans from the Detroit and Chicago areas met to denounce U.S. intervention in the Persian Gulf and urge an Arab-led diplomatic solution to the crisis.

Arab-Americans from Iraq, Syria, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon and Yemen heard a series of impassioned calls from religious and political leaders during the Sunday meeting at the Hyatt Regency Hotel.

''There are alternatives to war. The Arab countries are capable of providing a solution to this problem,'' said Paul Vincent, an Iraqi- American attorney and member of the newly organized American Arab Peace Committee.

Imam Mohammad Karoub, religious director of the Federation of Islamic Associates in the United States and Canada, called on Muslims, Christians and Jews to work toward peace in the troubled region.

''Today we have an ideal golden opportunity to act for the cause of peace ... if we will join together in community. Today at this hour we can do something that may affect the course of man,'' Karoub said.

Former Illinois Rep. Paul Findley blamed the pro-Israel lobby for the U.S. intervention in the region.

''Remind people Israel is the real troublemaker in the Middle East, not Saddam Hussein,'' Findley said.

Metropolitan Detroit has the nation's largest Arab community, numbering nearly 300,000.

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#90260u0919 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
TORONTO (SEPT. 17) UPI - Cineplex Odeon Corp. said Monday it ''terminated'' its agreement to sell 38 theaters in the northwest United States to Plitt Amusement Co. Inc. of Los Angeles.

Cineplex said both parties agreed to kill the $31.75 million deal and that ''the matter was settled on amicable terms.''

The deal, first announced in mid-June, included the sale of movie screens in Minnesota, Idaho, Utah, Washington and Oregon. In mid-August, the deal's original closing date of July 31 was extended indefinitely.

At the same time, Cineplex said it would ''pursue all available legal remedies'' against Plitt if the sale was not completed.

Cineplex spokeswoman Jo Mira Clodman said the failed sale should be looked at ''in the context of everything'' else the company has done over the past eight or nine months to reduce its debt.

Cineplex has sold off numerous theaters and non-core businesses as part of a plan to restructure the company. The company currently operates 1,680 screens in 415 locations in Canada and the United States.

Clodman said the object of the asset sales was to restructure the company and althought the sale to Plitt fell through, ''there's a variety of ways that we can get there.''

Cineplex's long-term debt at the end of the second quarter was $479.4 million.

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#90260u0947 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - Government prosecutors offer NO immediate reason for their decision NOT to re-try Washington Mayor Marion Barry. There were still 12 charges open after a mistrial was declared in his drug and perjury case. Barry was convicted on one charge of possessing cocaine and has yet to be sentenced.

NASA engineers are to pump fuel into the shuttle Columbia at Cape Canaveral this afternoon in an operation they hope will lead to the spaceplane's launch early tomorrow. The Columbia and its seven-man crew are to head into orbit on a 10-day astronomy mission that's been delayed several times since last spring.

France's defense minister is playing down his government's decision to send four-thousand troops to the Persian Gulf. Jean-Pierre Chevenemont says the move is NOT intended to lock France into what he termed ''the logic of war.'' He says French policy remains the embargo to get Iraq to return to international law.

Palestine Liberation Organization spokesmen say Jordan's King Hussein has met with leaders of two radical P-L-O factions who were expelled from Jordan 20 years ago. The meeting at Hussein's palace last night is seen as reconciliation attributed to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Philippine officials are talking of a gradual withdrawal of U-S forces from their country. The possibility is raised as the two governments prepare for

talks on the future of the U-S bases. The Philippine constitution bans a U-S military presence after the current treaty expires in one year.

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#90260u0955 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 17) UPI - Factories continued turning out goods in July, but many ended up on backroom storage racks instead of being sold to consumers. The Commerce Department reports that sales dropped one-half of one percent in July while business inventories increased by seven-tenths of one percent.

The first meeting of a new Supreme National Council set to find peace for Cambodia has ended without any agreement. The talks are scheduled to resume tomorrow in Bangkok, Thailand. The sessions include the three resistance groups that have been fighting the Vietnamese-backed government of Cambodia.

Romania's key Black Sea port of Constanta ground to a halt today as more than 25-thousand seamen and dock workers went on strike in the biggest walkout since the December revolution. The strikers demand the removal of managers they say are blocking the implementation of reforms ordered by the government.

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#90260u0966 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
FREETOWN, SIERRA LEONE (SEPT. 17) UPI - Refugees evacuated from the Liberian capital of Monrovia Monday told of children starving to death on the streets of the city and a cholera epidemic sweeping through the stranded population.

As more refugees were evacuated from Monrovia by U.S. Marine helicopters, they described how starving people, too weak to stand, would lie down on the streets to die.

Rebel rockets flew overhead and fires burned out of control in the city center the refugees said.

Two rebel factions have been fighting for nine months to topple Liberian President Samuel Doe. Last week he was killed by the forces of Prince Johnson. Fighting has continued between Johnson, rival rebel leader Charles Taylor, the remnants of Liberian government troops, and West African troops dispatched to Monrovia to restore peace.

''I watched children and old people walking slowly along the roads around the embassy district and other parts of the city,'' said one refugee who called himself Joseph. ''They just walked and then they would stop and sit or lie down. And then they wouldn't be able to stand because they were too hungry, and they would begin to die.''

''I will go back because it is my home,'' he said. ''We have all been waiting

for months for the fighting to end. But we had to leave because it is just going on and on.''

More than 500,000 Liberians have fled their country since Dec. 24, according to the Red Cross.

Recent heavy rains have provided drinking water for the 80,000 people who have not been able to flee the city after months of street battles and brutal killings by all sides in the conflict.

But on dry days, a plastic bag filled with one pint of water is sold for $10, in a city where nobody has worked or earned money for months, and where all banks closed more than two months ago.

While a few can afford the $300 the U.S. Embassy charges for evacuation, most are stranded.

''Even in the American Embassy compound as we were boarding the helicopter I didn't feel safe, because there was heavy shelling around the embassy district by the Doe troops still in the presidential mansion,'' said Emmanuel Eian from the Ivory Coast.

As many as five new cases of cholera are being discovered each day, in a city where only one doctor is working. The Belgian aid agency Doctors Without Borders planned to send in medical supplies this week, although heavy fighting means that hundreds of people in the east of the city are out of their reach.

''The main problem with taking in food supplies is that it is difficult to guarantee that it will be transported to the people who really need it,'' said one aid worker, who refused to be named.

Up to 60,000 people have gathered near the Monrovian port in the hope of finding food, while up to 20,000 are still in the city center, most too afraid to even leave their homes in search of food because of heavy fighting, evacuees said.

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#90260u0979 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (SEPT. 17) UPI - Former President Ronald Reagan, who once dubbed the Soviet Union an ''evil empire,'' told a Soviet Parliament committee Monday he was impressed with the reforms that have made Moscow a valued partner in world affairs.

Reagan told the Supreme Soviet's international affairs committee he was amazed at the rapid changes in the country since he was last in Moscow for a summit meeting with President Mikhail Gorbachev in May 1988.

''Nowadays, if Rip Van Winkle were to fall asleep in the Soviet Union, he would only have time for a very short nap before finding that everything had changed,'' Reagan told the Parliament deputies after explaining the folk tale of the man who slept for 20 years and woke to find a different world.

''There have been so many changes in those two years and four months (since my last visit) that I am beginning to understand how Rip Van Winkle must have felt.''

During Reagan's two terms in office, he oversaw a major U.S. military buildup he said was necessary to counter the threat from the Soviet Union, which in 1983 he called an ''evil empire.'' He then watched as Gorbachev's glasnost and perestroika reforms led to the warmest Soviet- American relations in decades and allowed the disintegration of the East Bloc.

Reagan and Gorbachev held five summit meetings, the first in 1985 when Gorbachev was newly in power, and Reagan said Monday he hoped the Soviet and American peoples would develop a "bond of friendship" like the two leaders had.

After the meeting with the Supreme Soviet committee, Reagan had separate private meetings with Gorbachev and Supreme Soviet Chairman Anatoly Lukyanov.

Gorbachev and Reagan greeted each other warmly, embracing and repeatedly grasping each others forearms before reporters and photographers were ushered out of the room.

''I'm sure you must have sensed by now during your stay here in this country that we and people in Soviet society hold you in tremendous esteem and respect '' Gorbachev said.

The comment from Gorbachev echoed the praise Reagan heard earlier at the Supreme Soviet.

''Your presidency began with a vision of our country as one that was covered with thunderclouds, a country that was a source of trouble to the whole world '' foreign affairs committee chairman and Politburo member Aleksander Dzasokhov said in his introduction of Reagan. ''It is all the more important therefore that you...are witnessing a major revolutionary process.''

Reagan, speaking from a podium in front of large portraits of Karl Marx and Vladimir Lenin, said he realized reforms like the move to a market economy being debated in the Supreme Soviet were causing an uproar in the Soviet Union and he advised patience during the transition period.

''These are yeasty times, times of ferment,'' Reagan said. ''Freedom can bring out passions between groups of people that may boil over. When they do, cool and calm decisions are called for.

''We have found, in our country, that when people have the right to make decisions as close to home as possible, they usually make the right decisions.''

Reagan praised the changes that have suddenly put the United States and the Soviet Union on the same side in international issues, particularly the international condemnation of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

"I have said before that we did not mistrust each other because we were armed. Rather we were armed because we mistrusted each other,'' Reagan said. ''Well, our mistrust has given way to what might be called cautious friendship.''

Reagan compared the disputes between the Soviet central government and rebellious republics that want more power and even independence to the time leading to the American Civil War.

''It was a wrenching and terrible war, but when it was over we found that the fundamental principles and rights upon which our union had been founded were clearer and stronger than ever,'' Reagan said. '' ... I am confident you will find your way through this period of uncertainty, for with your reforms you have embarked on the right course, the democratic course.''

He said even more democratic and economic reforms were necessary, but told the committee Soviet citizens must be patient with the move to a market economy.

''In some ways, political changes will seem easier than economic ones. At least they will seem to yield results more quickly,'' Reagan said. ''Major economic reforms, on the other hand, show results less quickly.

''Like a large ocean liner, an economy cannot make a 180 degree turn with the speed of a motor boat. To go from a so-called command economy, as you have had for several decades, to a fully functioning market economy takes time and perseverance.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 90.00-91.75 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 137.00-140.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary

(secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $240.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.00-$458.50; dealer- approx., $459.00-$474.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 277.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	83	57	.02
Anchorage r	55	43	....
Asheville sy	73	45	....
Atlanta sy	83	59	....
Baltimore sy	66	42	.59
Billings pc	75	48	....
Birmingham sy	85	59	....
Bismarck mm	mm	mm	....
Boston pc	59	41	.10
Brownsville pc	93	77	....
Buffalo pc	54	39	....
Burlington Vt. cy	50	35	....
Charleston S.C. sy	86	60	....

Charlotte sy	78	51	....
Chicago pc	65	47	....
Cincinnati sy	68	45	....
Cleveland pc	60	40	.52
Columbus Ohio sy	65	40	.01
Dallas r	91	73	....
Denver cy	73	52	....
Des Moines sy	71	56	....
Detroit sy	62	39	.20
Duluth pc	61	45	....
El Paso sy	86	61	.20
Evansville sy	77	52	....
Fargo pc	69	51	....
Hartford pc	58	34	.15
Honolulu pc	88	77	....
Houston cy	91	75	....
Indianapolis sy	71	50	....
Jackson Miss. f	91	65	....
Jacksonville sy	92	65	....
Kansas City cy	71	60	....
Las Vegas sy	94	66	....
Little Rock cy	83	65	....
Los Angeles f	81	62	....
Louisville sy	73	49	....
Memphis pc	86	65	....
Miami Beach mm	mm	mm	....
Milwaukee sy	61	50	....
Minneapolis cy	67	52	....
Nashville sy	80	54	....
New Orleans sy	94	75	....
New York pc	62	45	.26
Oklahoma City ts	82	68	.63
Omaha cy	70	55	....
Orlando sy	93	73	....
Philadelphia pc	63	42	.03
Phoenix pc	98	75	....
Pittsburgh pc	60	36	.14
Portland Me. cy	58	38	....
Portland Ore. pc	77	54	....
Providence pc	60	39	.26
Richmond sy	71	42	....
St. Louis pc	75	58	....
Salt Lake City f	84	56	....
San Antonio ts	89	75	....
San Diego pc	73	65	....
San Francisco pc	76	56	....
San Juan pc	91	76	.10
Seattle sy	74	52	....

Spokane pc	71	44	....
Tampa pc	91	74	.02
Washington sy	68	48	.42
Wichita ts	73	64	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90260u1014 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND (SEPT. 17) UPI - A police officer kidnapped by the outlawed Irish Republican Army in Northern Ireland was feared dead after a body was found near the Irish border Monday, the Royal Ulster Constabulary said.

The missing officer, Constable Louis Robinson, 42, had been kidnapped by armed and masked men at a bogus security checkpoint near the border crossing at Killeen, County Armagh Saturday night.

Three prison officers who were with Robinson on a fishing trip in the Irish Republic escaped uninjured, and two others were later released after being questioned and severely beaten.

Early Monday, the IRA claimed it had kidnapped Robinson and had executed him after interrogation.

An RUC spokesman said he could not confirm the body found near the border village of Belleeks was the dead officer. Security forces at the scene had not been able to remove the body as they feared it may be boobytrapped.

Police sources have revealed that according to statements from the prison officers who escaped, the IRA knew Robinson had been on a weeklong fishing trip in County Kerry.

The gunmen at the bogus checkpoint demanded to know which of the six men in the white Mercedes van was Louis Robinson.

One RUC source said, ''It is now clear the IRA had been tipped off and that Constable Robinson had no hope of being shown any mercy, even though he had been on sick leave for three years suffering from severe depression.''

In the Irish Republic, police questioned two men arrested on the southern side of the border near the scene of the kidnapping Saturday night.

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#90260u1038 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

KATMANDU, NEPAL (SEPT. 17) UPI - More than 10,000 demonstrators took to the streets of the Nepalese capital Monday, insisting that King Birendra take the remaining step to multi-party democracy by accepting limits on his own power.

The demonstration came five months after a seven-week series of similar protests and worker strikes forced Birendra to end his monarchy's 29-year ban on opposition political parties.

Birendra also had authorized a committee dominated by opposition parties to write a new proposed constitution, but he balked last week when it returned with a draft that would allow Nepalese citizens to vote the monarchy out of power.

Demonstrators consisting mostly of youth snaked through the narrow streets of Katmandu Monday, double-file and spaced about a yard apart, for nearly 45 minutes.

The protesters remained peaceful and in a festive mood, but raised clenched fists and shouted slogans that included, ''Beware of a conspiracy to change the constitution,'' and, ''Be alert against any palace intrigue.''

The march was organized by two communist parties in the ruling seven- party United Left Front, which demanded the king implement the proposed constitution immediately without any changes.

Police estimated the crowd size at 12,000 people.

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#90260u1056 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - A Pentagon spokesman says Defense Secretary Cheney fired Air Force Chief of Staff Michael Dugan today. NO reason was given for the dismissal. But defense officials who asked NOT to be named say it apparently came because of an interview in which Dugan said Pentagon bombing plans specifically target Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The interview followed a

tour of Saudi Arabia in which Dugan discussed possible war plans by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Dugan had been appointed to the post in July. He is the first member of the Joint Chiefs to be fired since 1949. .

France is downplaying its move to send four-thousand additional troops to the Persian Gulf. The government's stated policy is one of holding to the U-N-backed embargo against Iraq in an effort to get it out of Kuwait. But the added troops are going even as Paris expels Iraqi diplomats in retaliation for last week's raid on the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait. .

Foreign ministers representing the 12 European Community members are discussing the possibility of a common stand in response to Iraq's raids on foreign ambassadorial residences in Kuwait last week. Britain, Belgium, Italy and France already have crafted individual responses to the raids. The U-N Security Council condemned the raids yesterday.

Solidarity leader Lech Walesa has formally laid the groundwork for a campaign to become the next president of Poland. The term of the current office holder, General Wojciech Jaruzelski , runs until 1994, but Walesa says he will run for the job. The Polish parliament has yet to set a date for general elections.

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#90260u1062 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 17) UPI - Grain futures recovered from their opening weakness and were mostly higher at midmorning on the Chicago Board of Trade, but soybeans gave up their early gains and were lower across the board.

The reversal in soybeans was attributed in part to the downtown in soybean meal prices. Meal turned lower on profit-taking and the lack of demand.

Corn was fractionally higher on short-covering, although gains trimmed by the weakness in the soy complex.

Both corn and soybeans had underlying support from the coldest temperatures of the season during the weekend, although the areas of frost were some distance away from the major corn and soybean growing regions.

Cooler weather and a chance of rain are predicted the rest of the week.

Wheat futures rallied as buying interest picked up, but gains were tempered by the continued lack of export busines.

Country movement was light during the weekend.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.33 3/4 up 1; Dec 2.24 1/2 up 1/2; Mar 2.34 1/4 up 1/2.

Soybeans Sep 6.17 1/4 off 7 1/4; Nov 6.28 3/4 off 6; Jan 6.43 3/4 off 5 1/2; Mar 6.56 1/2 off 6 1/2.

Wheat Sep 2.60 up 3; Dec 2.75 3/4 up 2 1/2; Mar 2.89 1/2 up 2 1/4.

Oats Sep 1.08 1/4 up 1 1/4; Dec 1.15 1/2 up 3/4; Mar 1.26 up 1/2.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
New York at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.
Kansas City at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
Chicago at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.
Texas at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

San Francisco at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Atlanta, 7:40 p.m.
San Diego at Houston, 8:35 p.m.

BOXING

Lima, Peru - World Junior Championships

FOOTBALL

Kansas City at Denver, 9 p.m.

GAMES

Las Lenas, Argentina - Winter Pan American Games

GOLF

Grand Rapids, Mich. - Greater Grand Rapids Senior Open

TENNIS

Paris - Women's $100,000 Clarins Open, Paris.

WEIGHTLIFTING

Sarajevo, Yugoslavia - 4th Women's World Championships

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#90260u1070 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 17) UPI - It will be tomorrow at the earliest before top officials of the United Auto Workers union get their first official look at a tentative agreement with General Motors. A meeting of the union's 400-member G-M Bargaining Council lasted five minutes this morning. It then adjourned to allow for copies of the pact to be printed so members could see what they are talking about. The council must ratify the contract before it goes to rank-and-file members.

Official results from the first multi-party elections since Gabon's independence from France were delayed by controversy today. The political opposition in the West African nation is calling for new balloting in some cities because of alleged voting irregularities yesterday. Unofficial counts show President Omar Bongo's Democratic Gabonese Party likely won a majority in the 120-member National Assembly.

Hotel queen Leona Helmsley took out a full-page ad in The New York Times today to berate Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein for calling his hostages ''guests.'' Helmsley... who's fighting a four- year prison sentence for tax fraud... says she knows something about how to treat guests. Helmsley says in her ad- quote- ''In your bizarre world where detention centers have become hotels and hostages have become guests, I can make one recommendation that I have never made in all the years I have been welcoming people: Mr. Hussein, it is time to check out.''

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#90260u1088 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
DALLAS (SEPT. 17) UPI - A petroleum engineer has been reunited with a Jordanian national who helped him escape from Kuwait by dressing in an Arab robe and headdress and pretend he was deaf and mute.

Jimmy Hawkins, 30, of Dallas returned home a week ago and Sunday night he was at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport to greet Nizar, the man he credits with saving his life. Nizar, 21, declines to give his last name out of fear for his family in Kuwait.

''It's a miracle we got out,'' Hawkins said, hugging his friend as the two spent their first moments together on American soil.

''There was a whole lot of praying. Nizar is a Muslim and I'm a Christian but we figured we had one God and we were asking Him to do the same thing for us.''

Nizar came to Hawkins's Kuwait apartment about a month ago during the siege. He introduced himself as an acquaintance of several of Hawkins's American friends who had fled at the first sign of trouble.

Although Nizar said he had an ''obligation'' to help the friend of his friends what the grocery clerk did for the American, risking his life on a daily basis, far exceeded simple obligation.

Nizar stayed at Hawkins's apartment, returning home one evening with a bullet wound in a shoulder when he and other resistance fighters exchanged gunfire with Iraqi soldiers.

When the Iraqi soldiers searched Hawkins's building, forcing him to hide in the ceiling for over a week, Nizar smuggled him food and pretended to be an Iraqi sympathizer.

''He cooked for the soldiers and played double agent, living downstairs with them,'' Hawkins said. ''If they had even known he was bringing me food, he would have been shot on sight.''

The two then began their plans for fleeing Kuwait.

It was a difficult decision for Nizar, who although a Jordanian national, was born and reared in Kuwait and has family ties there. Speaking in broken English, he promised to help his new friend.

Making their way for the Jordanian border, Hawkins dressed in Arab robe and headdress and pretended to be deaf and mute, with Nizar acting as his voice and ears.

''It was all his idea,'' Hawkins said. ''He said, 'We can do this,' and I said 'This guy is crazy.'''

Shortly into their journey, the two were arrested. Nizar bribed a lieutenant by offering to give him his car for some food and their freedom.

While they were waiting for their release, the two were given a choice jail spot on the roof of the police station. And when they were given only one blanket to ward off the night chill, they rolled up together.

At the Jordanian border, Hawkins's fake drivers license aroused suspicion and he was not allowed to pass. So he dressed in dark clothing and crossed the desert on foot at night, agreeing to meet his friend on the other side.

The Jordanian police picked up Hawkins and he immediately asked them to find his friend. They were reunited the next morning.

The reunion was brief, Hawkins said, because the American Embassy wanted him out fast, knowing Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would not want the story out of his ''phenomenal escape.'' On Sept. 9, Hawkins was reunited with his family in Dallas.

But Hawkins did not forget his friend. Immediately, he began making plans to bring Nizar to Dallas. A fund-raiser on a radio station brought in the necessary money for plane fare. The American Embassy provided a one-month visa.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Evergreen Bancorp	Q	.18	11-10	10-31
Usual				
Aluminum Co America	Q	.40	11-25	11-2
Amer Barrick Resources	..	c-.05	12-17	11-30
Dekalb Energy	Q	.08	10-12	9-28
De Pere Federal Svgs	Q	.07 1/2	10-15	9-28
DeSoto Inc	Q	.10	10-29	10-10
Ennis Business Forms	Q	.18	11-1	10-15
Franklin Resources	Q	.10	10-12	9-28
Genesee Corp cl-B	Q	.30	10-1	9-25
Granite State Bkshrs	Q	.09	10-15	10-1
Hudson Foods cl-A	Q	.03	10-15	9-29
Proler Intl	Q	.13	10-15	9-28

c-Canadian rate

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 17) UPI - Ships enforcing a U.N.-ordered embargo against Iraq have intercepted at least 1,000 vessels since the operation began in the Persian Gulf and Arabian and Red seas more than one month ago, the U.S. Navy said Monday.

A statement said the 1,000th interception took place Saturday, when the USS O'Brien hailed a Bahamian-registered merchant tanker named Damion, whioh was allowed to proceed after proving that it was shipping oil from Saudi Arabia to Bangladesh.

The Navy said 65 merchant vessels had been boarded and five diverted or ordered to return to their port of origin since the imposition of an aquatic noose around Iraq was ordered on Aug. 12.

It said about 40 intercepts and four boardings have been conducted daily by U.S. vessels and warships from 13 other allied navies.

U.N. Security Council Resolution 661, which authorized the embargo, is aimed at compelling Baghdad to withdraw from Kuwait by denying it all trade, except for lifesaving food and medicine.

The government of Saddam Hussein has moved to outflank the blockade by trying to rebuild cross-border relations with Iran, its foe in the eight-year Persian Gulf War, which ended in 1988.

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#90260u1135 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

JAKARTA, Indonesia (SEPT. 17) UPI - Indonesia has hiked the price of its September oil exported to Japan in September $8.84 a barrel from the previous month in the wake of world oil market that has been tightened by the Persian Gulf crisis, Mines and Energy Minister Ginandjar Kartasamita said Monday.

Ginandjar said Indonesia has raised the price of its September shipments to $28.03 a barrel, compared to the $19.19 a barrel price for August shipments.

Ginandjar said late last week the oil prices in the world market would continue to rise and would reach $40 a barrel by the winter unless industrialized countries release oil from their strategic reserves.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Sep. 17:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen pc	1pm	57	14
Amsterdam cy	1pm	59	15
Ankara c	3pm	66	19
Athens c	2pm	78	25
Auckland c	12a	53	12
Beijing c	8pm	56	14
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	62	17
Bonn cy	1pm	60	16
Brussels	1pm	-	-

Cairo c	2pm	85	30
Casablanca pc	12n	76	24
Copenhagen c	1pm	60	16
Dakar pc	12n	82	28
Dublin cy	1pm	56	14
Geneva c	1pm	72	22
Helsinki c	2pm	56	13
Hong Kong c	8pm	83	28
Jerusalem c	2pm	77	25
Karachi c	5pm	86	30
Lisbon hz	1pm	76	24
London cy	1pm	58	15
Madrid c	1pm	74	23
Malta c	1pm	-	-
Manila c	8pm	83	29
Moscow cy	3pm	55	13
Nairobi c	3pm	79	26
Nassau cy	7am	77	25
New Delhi pc	6pm	88	31
Nice cy	1pm	74	23
Oslo cy	1pm	55	13
Paris pc	1pm	64	18
Pretoria c	2pm	87	30
Riyadh	3pm	103	40
Rome pc	1pm	77	25
Seoul c	9pm	61	16
Sofia c	2pm	62	17
Stockholm pc	1pm	61	16
Sydney c	10pm	54	12
Taipei pc	8pm	78	25
Tokyo r	9pm	77	25
Tunis pc	1pm	86	30
Vienna c	1pm	65	18
Warsaw pc	1pm	56	13

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	50	10
Caracas cy	8am	72	22
Havana c	7am	75	24
Lima cy	7am	60	15
Mexico City pc	6am	56	13
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	71	22
Santiago cy	8am	46	08

Canada

Calgary c		70	21
Edmonton cy		70	21
Montreal cy		57	13

Ottawa c	56	13
Regina pc	65	18
Toronto pc	60	15
Vancouver cy	64	18
Winnipeg cy	60	15

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 17) UPI - Bulk selling prices reported by USDA:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 56-62.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - Federal prosecutors said Monday they will not retry Mayor Marion Barry on 12 charges that led to a mistrial in his drug and perjury case and asked for a speedy sentencing on the one cocaine possession charge on which the mayor was convicted.

U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson set sentencing for Oct. 26 and said he would hold an Oct. 19 hearing on issues arising from a pre-sentencing report.

Jackson ordered Barry, the three-term Democratic mayor whose term ends Jan. 2, to report to his probation officer Tuesday morning.

Barry, who is running for at-large council seat in the district despite his scandal, told reporters he was ''obviously relieved at this phase of the legal proceedings'' but declined further comment on the advice of defense attorney R. Kenneth Mundy.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Judith Retchin did not explain in court why the government decided not to seek a retrial on the 12 charges of perjury, conspiracy and cocaine possession on which a jury Aug. 10 failed to agree, causing a mistrial on those 12 counts.

The jury convicted Barry, who was videotaped smoking crack in an FBI sting, of a single misdemeanor cocaine possession count and acquitted him of another.

U.S. Attorney Jay Stephens told reporters outside the courthouse a new trial ''would achieve little more than what was already accomplished. He likely will face little or no more punishment under federal sentencing guidelines.''

Barry faces up to a year in jail for the one misdemeanor conviction, although federal sentencing guidelines recommend a sentence of six months or less for a first-time offender.

Had he been convicted on all 14 counts against him, Barry could have faced 26 years in prison and $1.85 million in fines, although Stephens said a heavy sentence was unlikely.

Stephens said Barry's conduct as ''the chief executive of this city and the leader of the anti-drug fight ... (is) deeply etched'' in the community. ''Now it is time he faced punishment for his illegal conduct.''

Stephens would not disclose whether he would recommend jail time for Barry in a sentencing report. He said the government sought prompt sentencing for Barry because it was ''appropriate for this case.''

''The decision (not to retry Barry) was reached after evaluating all the evidence,'' he said.

The result of this decision may well have some impact on the city to heal itself,'' Stephens said, adding that was not a factor in his reasoning.

''The government did present a significant pattern over a substantial period of time of illegal narcotics use,'' he said. ''Now citizens can evaluate the truth for themselves.''

Stephens still could ask Jackson to send Barryto jail for the one misdemeanor drug possession charge on which he was found guilty. Under federal sentencing guidelines, a jail term for a first-time cocaine possession offense such as Barry's is unusual.

Still, under those rules, Jackson could send Barry to jail or a federal halfway house for up to six months. He could also restrict Barry's freedom by ordering him to spend each weekend in jail for the next six months.

Jackson could also depart from federal sentencing guidelines and send Barry to jail for as long as a year, although the mayor would have the right to appeal any sentence longer than six months.

Ten government witnesses during the trial said Barry used cocaine or obtained cocaine in homes, hotels, boats and government offices in the district, Atlanta, the Virgin Islands and the Bahamas since 1983.

Law enforcement officials in the Virgin Islands have said they would not bring charges against Barry there. Barry could have faced possible misdemeanor counts of cocaine possession based on testimony presented at the trial in Washington.

Prosecutors called Barry a ''general'' in the city's war on drugs who turned traitor, heading an anti-drug battle in public while abusing cocaine and marijuana in private.

The verdict and mistrial came nearly seven months after Barry was lured to the downtown Vista International Hotel by former model Rasheeda Moore and arrested in an FBI sting operation for smoking crack.

Last week Barry said people were ''very tired'' of his case and that Sharon Pratt Dixon, a newcomer who beat out four political veterans and in the Democratic mayoral primary, represented change.

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#90260u1160 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - The Air Force is looking for its second Chief of Staff since July. General Michael Dugan, a decorated Vietnam veteran, was fired from the position this morning by Defense Secretary Cheney. There's NO official reason for the dismissal, but the word at the Pentagon is that Dugan was fired because of interviews in which he discussed possible war plans by the Joint Chiefs of Staff against Iraq- naming President Saddam Hussein as a bombing target.

The United Auto Workers and General Motors announced a tentative agreement early today on a new three-year contract for 310-thousand workers, both active and idled. The tentative pact contains gains in job security and pensions and calls for a three percent wage increase in the first year, plus three percent lump-sum payments in the second and third years. The pre-dawn agreement followed about 41 hours of non-stop bargaining.

Federal prosecutors say they won't re-try Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry on 12 charges that led to a mistrial in his drug and perjury case. But they asked for a speedy sentencing on the one cocaine possession charge for which Barry was convicted. U-S District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson set sentencing for October 26th. Barry's third term as mayor ends on January 2nd.

Police in Northern Ireland fear a body discovered near the Irish border may be that of a 42-year-old constable kidnapped by the outlawed Irish Republican Army. But police say they won't go near the body because it may be booby-trapped. The I-R-A claims it executed the missing officer, Louis Robinson.

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#90260u1166 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - T. Boone Pickens' United Shareholders Association launched a campaign Monday against 50 major corporations it has accused of violating shareholder rights.

The corporate takeover specialist's group, which claims 64,000 members, said all of the firms are incorporated in states with ''anti- shareholder'' laws, 44 have poison pill anti-takeover plans and 40 have lucrative ''golden parachute'' severance packages for senior management.

Pickens' organization also said 40 firms have boards with staggered terms of office, preventing shareholders from replacing a majority of the board in any single year, while 47 have no confidential proxy voting.

''Proposals on these issues will be introduced by USA members for shareholder votes at the 1991 annual meetings of the companies,'' according to the group, which is holding its annual meeting in the nation's capital.

In a similar effort last year, the organization said it scored victories for shareholder rights at a number of corporations. But a number of the companies on the latest list were also targeted in 1989.

The 50 firms are: Allied-Signal, Morristown, N.J.; Amax, Inc., New York; American Ship Building, Tampa, Fla.; Armco, Parsippany, N.J.; Avon Products, New York; Baxter International, Deerfield, Ill.

Bethlehem Steel, Bethlehem, Pa.; Beverly Enterprises, Ft. Smith, Ariz.; Boise Cascade, Boise, Idaho; Caterpillar, Peoria, Ill.; Champion International, Stamford, Conn.; Consolidated Freightways, Menlo Park, Calif. Control Data, Minneapolis; Crane, New York; EG & G, Wellesley, Mass.; Eastman Kodak, Rochester, N.Y.; General Signal, Stamford, Conn.; W.R. Grace & Co., New York; Great Western, Beverly Hills, Calif.

Greyhound Dial, Phoenix, Ariz.; Grumman, Long Island, N.Y.; Hercules, Wilmington, Del.; International Paper, Purchase, N.Y.; K mart, Troy, Mich.; Lockheed, Calabasas, Calif.; Lubrizol, Wickliffe, Ohio; Maytag, Newton, Iowa.

Nalco Chemical, Naperville, Ill.; National Education, Irvine, Calif.; Navistar International, Chicago; Ogden, New York; PHH Corp., Hunt Valley, Md.; Pan Am,

New York; Pfizer, New York; Pittston, Greenwich, Conn.

Polaroid, Cambridge, Mass.; Raytheon, Lexington, Mass.; Ryder System, Miami; Santa Fe Pacific, Chicago; Textron, Providence, R.I.; Time Warner, New York; Transamerica, San Francisco; USAir Group, Arlington, Va.

USX, Pittsburgh; Union Carbide, Danbury, Conn.; Unisys, Blue Bell, Pa.; Wendy's International, Dublin, Ohio; Weyerhaeuser, Tacoma, Wash.; Whirlpool, Benton Harbor, Mich.; Xerox, Stamford, Conn.

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#90260u1172 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (SEPT. 17) UPI - A Cabinet minister demanded the dismissal Monday of U.S. Ambassador to Pakistan Robert Oakley, who allegedly criticized Pakistan's handling of the dismissal of Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto.

Home Minister Zahid Sarfraz said Oakley delivered an address at the Asia Society in Washington last week in which the ambassador criticized the one-sided accountability process being conducted in Pakistan since the Aug. 6 dismissal of the 20-month-old Bhutto government.

Oakley reportedly asked the current Pakistani caretaker government to make the accountability process more impartial by examining corruption during the 1985-88 period during which many of the people now in power were serving in the leadership.

The home minister said Oakley should be replaced for interfering in the internal affairs of Pakistan.

Since her dismissal, Bhutto - the first elected woman prime minister of a Moslem country - and three of her former Cabinet members have become a target of corruption charges. Three former ministers of her Cabinet have also been arrested on criminal charges.

In addition, her husband faces some two dozen criminal charges.

If found guilty, Bhutto would be disqualified from contesting forthcoming elections.

The home minister also alleged Monday that Bhutto's husband was already married when he wed her in December 1987 and she was not aware of this fact.

When asked why he was disclosing a very private matter relating to the deposed prime minister, the home minister said he was just trying to show how naive Bhutto was.

As evidence of the allegations, presented to reporters documents of bank loans

obtained by the family of her husband, Asif Ali Zardari, between early 1977 and 1982, all of which contained the name and signature of Aroona Asif Ali, described as Zardari's wife.

The minister said he did not know the present status of this marriage nor could he produce a marriage certificate to prove his assertion.

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#90260u1181 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - Marine helicopters continue evacuating refugees from Monrovia, the capital of Liberia. And those getting out tell of a cholera epidemic sweeping the city and of starving people, too weak to stand, who simply lie down on the streets and begin to die. More than 500-thousand Liberians have fled their war-torn homeland since last December.

Owners of two of the six winning tickets in Saturday's 105-Million- dollar Florida lottery have now stepped into the limelight. They include a brother and sister from Longwood and a couple from New Smyrna who will share their part of the prize money with their two children. The four other winning tickets were sold in Coconut Creek, Venice, Miami and Winter Haven.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - Reading down sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Amer Greetings (2nd Q 8-31)	
$311,821,000	$282,722,000
$6,225,000 (.20)	$5,018,000 (.16)
Bayly Corp (3rd Q 7-31)	
$12,064,000	$20,347,000
d-$4,219,000	d-$974,000
d-Deficit.	
Circuit City (2nd Q 8-31)	
$554,935,000	$471,591,000
$19,004,000 (.41)	$16,852,000 (.37)
Datapoint Corp (4th Q 7-28)	
$72,598,000	$78,964,000
d-$51,959,000	d-$8,894,000
d-Deficit	

General Mills (1st Q 7-26)
$1,739,500,000 $1,501,800,000
$123,800,000 (1.58) $114,900,000 (1.39)

Lazare Kaplan (1st Q 7-31)
$29,359,000 $19,219,000
$1,409,000 (.43) $855,000 (.27)

Marcade Group (2nd Q 8-4)
$97,705,000 $82,902,000
$527,000 (.01) $2,489,000 (.05)

Newmark & Lewis (2nd Q 7-31)
$90,255,000 $69,068,000
$552,000 (.09) $1,376,000 (.22)

Nu-Med Inc (1st Q 7-31)
$66,253,000 $73,933,000
$958,000 (.09) $1,044,000 (.10)

Pub Svc N Hampshire (2nd Q 6-30)
$145,697,000 $131,812,000
ad-$130,878,000 d-$3,526,000 ad-Deficit, primarily due to expensing $129, 100,000 of interest that accrued after it filed for bankruptcy protection in January 1988.
d-Defict

Ramsey Health (4th Q 6-30)
$40,660,000 $38,769,000
$394,000 (.03) $1,646,000 (.11)

Royalpar Indus (2nd Q 7-31)
$14,074,686 $16,342,054
d-$262,666 $141,465 (.04)

Schwartz Bros (2nd Q 7-31)
$26,283,029 $21,549,578
$52,538 (.03) $164,885 (.09)

Stuarts Dept Stores (2nd Q 8-4)
$34,579,000 $31,670,000
d-$167,000 d-$143,000
d-Deficit

Vallen Corp (1st Q 8-31)
$34,822,000 $25,319,00
$1,483,000 (.33) $1,074,000 (.24)

Werner Ent (2nd Q 8-31)
$76,589,000 $61,249,000
$5,816,000 (.50) $5,244,000 (.45)

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#90260u1188 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - June Betts is a victim of Alzheimer's disease and a victim of the state of Ohio.

Alzheimer's, an incurable, wasting mental illness, robbed Betts of her job teaching children with Down's syndrome and cerebral palsy how to talk. Ohio denied her disability retirement benefits because she was over 60.

Ohio's public employees retirement system, following its mandate, awarded her a standard age-and-service pension of $158.50 a month.

If she had been two years younger, under 60, she would have received $355 a month in disability retirement benefits.

Or, as her daughter Carolyn Betts said last week, ''For my mother, the difference between getting disability benefits and not getting them is a matter of a few months in a nice room in a nursing home instead of a charity bed at taxpayers' expense.''

June Betts couldn't fight Alzheimer's disease, but she did fight the two-tier disability system on grounds it amounts to illegal age discrimination.

The Hamilton County, Ohio, woman won in the lower courts. But the Supreme Court, in a 7-2 decision, said age discrimination laws apply to hiring and firing, wages and salaries, other fringe benefits, and terms and conditions of employment but are silent on employee benefit plans.

Ironically, the Supreme Court returned the specific Betts complaint to the 6th Circuit Court of Appeals, which ruled in her favor. Betts, now 66, is in a nursing home.

But the high court's ruling left others in Betts' situation vulnerable and the Senate began considering legislation Monday to make certain the double standard is eliminated by federal law.

The bill, applying to both public and private employers, has 50 sponsors but faces stern opposition from some Republicans that threatens its chances of approval by Congress before adjournment in October. Republicans also say that senior advisers will recommend President Bush veto the bill.

Known as the Older Workers Benefits Protection Act, the bill would amend the 1967 Age Discrimination in Employment Act in two major areas:

-The bill makes it clear that discrimination on the basis of age in virtually all forms of employee benefits is unlawful.

-It ensures that older workers are not coerced or manipulated into waiving their rights to seek legal relief.

The bill requires employers to extend equal benefits, or to incur equal costs, on behalf of all employees, with exceptions for defined benefit pension plans and for severance pay unrelated to age. The burden of proof is on the employer.

Even with the legislation, it would still be legal for some benefits to be different for older workers. For instance, if a $100 employer contribution to group term life insurance buys $50,000 coverage for an employee at age 35 and only $25,000 for a 60-year-old worker, that would be legal.

Or, in the case of long-term disability, an employer may avoid increased costs for older employees by reducing the level or duration of benefits for older workers.

But companies that use a ''benefit package'' approach could not reduce or eliminate benefits that older workers want, such as group health insurance, and can never include pension or retirement benefits.

The Congressional Budget Office said it could not estimate the costs to the states that have programs similiar to the one in Ohio.

Ohio, however, prepared estimates of providing equal benefits to all state employees and predicted it would cost an additional $40 million a year. New York estimated it would cost the Empire State $8 million.

There was no estimate available of the cost to private companies.

Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., chairman of the Senate Special Committee on Aging, calls the Supreme Court decision a ''blatant case of age discrimination in the work force'' and said the bill seeks to meet ''each and every objection.''

But most Republicans on the Labor and Human Resources Committee, which is handling the bill, said even with changes made, the legislation is badly flawed.

In a minority report, the GOP members said, ''This bill, although intended to prevent discrimination based on age, would outlaw, restrict or discourage the use of numerous legitimate plan arrangements, designs and features.

''We are concerned that, rather than protect older workers, this will result in a lessening of retirement benefit security for all employees, including older workers.''

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#90260u1193 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Monday that it was ''very helpful'' for President Bush to get his message to the Iraqi people ''about the unanimity of the world'' against the invasion of Kuwait and the role of the United States.

The government of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein kept its word by airing a videotaped message Sunday in which Bush portrayed Iraq as aligned against the world and its people as unwitting victims of the Aug. 2 invasion of its oil-rich neighbor.

''We think it's important to be able to convey to the people about the unanimity against them and specifically about the role of the United States,'' Fitzwater told reporters. ''We think it's very helpful.''

It was the latest shot in a war of nerves manifested in televised images, a personalized message that not only sought to plant seeds of dissent in the minds of the Iraqi people but to send a sharp warning to Saddam.

Weighing a wide range of military options, Bush vowed that Saddam's use of Western hostages as human shields against possible U.S. attack ''will not affect my ability to make tough decisions.''

While U.S. officials had no idea how widely it was seen, the audience limited by the availability of televisions in Iraq, they were satisfied that even if it does not cause the Iraqi people to rise up against him, the broadcast stepped up the pressure on Saddam.

It was followed by a lengthy Iraqi rebuttal that denounced Bush's ''claims and lies'' and ''scandalous contradictions,'' prompting White House spokesman Bill Harlow to remark that ''the president's words must have struck home, given the lengths to which the Iraqis went to attempt to discredit them.''

Bush twice referred to the prospect of war in describing the storm clouds over the Persian Gulf, where the United States and more than two dozen other countries have joined to militarily contain and possibly repel Saddam.

''Perhaps your leaders do not appreciate the strength of the forces united against them,'' Bush said. ''Let me say clearly: There is no way Iraq can win. Ultimately, Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait.''

Standing in front of his desk in the Oval Office, an American flag in the background, Bush asserted the occupation of Kuwait ''is helping no one and is now hurting you, the Iraqi people'' by cutting Iraq's foreign trade - including a crucial $20 billion a year in oil exports - to a mere trickle.

''The pain you now experience is a direct result of the path your leadership has chosen,'' he said. ''When Iraq returns to the path of peace, when Iraqi troops withdraw from Kuwait, when that country's rightful government is restored, when all foreigners held against their will are released, then and then alone will the world end the sanctions.''

As if to underscore his claim that ''Iraq stands isolated and alone,'' Bush pulled a sheet of paper from his pocket, donned reading glasses and quoted Saddam's own words to a group of Arab lawyers in November 1988 that ''an Arab country does not have the right to occupy another Arab country.''

There was no evidence the speech had any effect on Saddam. And although Bush has said he would not mind seeing Saddam ousted by his own people, the relative absence of an organized and effective political opposition in Iraq makes that unlikely, with or without the kind of public encouragement implied by Bush in his eight minutes of air time on Iraqi TV.

For that reason, U.S. officials acknowledge the crisis will not be resolved through peaceful overtures to the Iraqi people, but only a sober realization by Saddam that he underestimated the financial, political and military costs of his decision to invade Kuwait.

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#90260u1204 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 17) UPI - Painstaking identity checks designed to screen out Iraqi infiltrators Monday slowed to a trickle the flow of refugees through occupied Kuwait's newly reopened border with Saudi Arabia.

Residents and officials contacted by telephone said the main border crossing at al-Khafji remained clogged with well-heeled prospective Kuwaiti emigres, who had driven - mostly in luxury cars - down their oil-rich emirate's main freeway to Saudi Arabia and were awaiting processing.

Authorities estimated more than 5,000 refugees had entered the kingdom since Iraqi border guards on Saturday inexplicably opened the frontier. But the departures slowed Monday, with officials saying only 50 vehicles had been allowed through by Iraqi guards.

Many of those who were allowed to cross the border Monday were sobbing women, who said the Iraqis were forbidding men between 17 and 45 from leaving, residents said.

Saudi officials said the bottleneck at the border was caused by an effort to screen the refugees to establish their credentials.

Saudi and U.S. military officials are concerned that Iraqi soldiers, who have

been stripping refugees of all identification before they leave Kuwait, were rendering Kuwaitis stateless to allow Iraqis to infiltrate Saudi Arabia posing as refugees.

The Iraqi government has given no explanation for opening the border, which had been sealed shortly after its troops invaded the emirate on Aug. 2.

Many refugees believe Baghdad is plotting to empty the oil-rich nation of its 1.7 million residents and to colonize it with Iraqis and Palestinians.

Others believe Iraqi President Saddam Hussein might be trying to spread havoc in Saudi Arabia, which already has been pressed to find temporary accomodation for more than 200,000 Kuwaitis who left just after the invasion or clandestinely by crossing the desert while the border was still closed.

Saddam ''knows how many Kuwaitis have left Kuwait,'' a Saudi official said. ''Maybe he has got people here, telling him what is going on.''

At the offices of the Dammam municipality, the main urban area of Eastern Province, Kuwaiti refugees clustered around checking to see if their names had been included on new accomodation lists.

''Frankly, we do not know what to do,'' said one overworked senior official, shaking his head as he pondered the new wave of arrivals. ''These numbers are too high to deal with. Riyadh is also full. Jeddah is also the same.''

The official, who requested anonymity, said about 80,000 Kuwaitis were now in the province. Workers were hastily finishing public housing projects for emergency shelter, and some arrivals may be placed in tents inside a stadium, he said.

''Either you think they are going to be here a long time, or a short time,'' the official said. ''We don't know which way to think. You can't build a house in such a short time, and you can't let them live on the streets.''

Hotels are fully booked, and some new arrivals moved on to Riyadh, about 250 miles away, because of the shortage of shelter in Eastern Province.

Refugees all gave bleak portrayals of life under Iraqi rule, which they said had become more draconian in recent days, with Saddam's armies staging fierce reprisals against any hint of resistance.

One Kuwaiti said the Iraqis would attack any neighborhood cited in reports by the British Broadcasting Corp. or the Voice of America radio networks as being locations of anti-Iraqi actions.

''They are squeezing (the resistance),'' he said. ''One officer said, 'Once I hear any bullets from this area, I will destroy the area.'''

The tactics of retaliation, which include summary executions and the obliteration of houses adjacent to places used by Kuwaiti fighters, had led to some people calling on the resistance to stop.

''Their mothers say, 'If you want to resist, go outside, go away from here,''' the refugee said.

But despite the hard-line tactics, the refugees believed the Iraqi troops had little confidence of their chances against the massive multinational force assembling in Saudi Arabia, which should soon be capable of staging an offensive to expel Saddam's forces from the country.

The Iraqis ''are completely destroyed these days, once they heard about the troops (in Saudi Arabia),'' a Kuwaiti said. ''They are saying, 'What was our mistake. Why is our leader doing this?'''

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OMAHA (SEPT. 17) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 1,800; trading on slaughter steers and heifers fairly active, prices both classes steady to 50 cents higher than last Wednesday; slaughter cows and bulls steady with last Wednesday; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-4 1100-1350 lbs. 76.00-77.50, load 77.75, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lbs.75.00-76.50, select No 2-3 73.00-75.00; holsteins choice No 2-3 1250-1500 lbs.69.00-69.75, select and choice No 2-3 1200-1450 lbs. 68.00-69.00, select No 2-3 64.00-66.00; heifers choice No 2-4 950-1150 lbs. 76.00-77.50, select and choice No 2-3 950- 1150 lbs. 74.50-76.00, select No 2-3 72.00-74.50; cows high cutter, utility, commercial No 2-4 breaking few 54.00-55.00, boning few 54.00- 55.00, canner and low cutter few 47.00-52.00.

Hogs 2,000; butchers 50 cents to $1.00 higher, moderately active, No 1-3 220-260 lbs. 55.50-56.00, No 2-3 260-280 lbs. 55.00-56.00, No 3-4 load 321 lbs.50.50; sows 28 percent, under 500 lbs. 50 cents higher, over 500 lbs. $1.50 to $2.00, higher No 1-3 325-500 lbs. 45.00-46.50, including 450-500 lbs.46.00-46.50, No 2-3 500-650 lbs. 48.00-49.00.

Sheep 200; spring slaughter lambs steady; slaughter ewes steady; shorn slaughter lambs; choice and prime 120-135 lbs. No 1-2 pelts 50.00- 51.00, 110-120 lbs. 47.00-50.00; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-135 lbs.48.00-49.00, 110-120 lbs. 45.00-48.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - Home-heating oil prices are headed up - way up - this winter unless there is a swift, peaceful end to the military standoff in the Persian Gulf, energy analysts say.

Worse, a shooting war would mean out-of-sight prices and very likely serious strains on supplies.

But there's no agreement among oil specialists on what the upper price limit might be.

Although there are too many variables and too much doubt for anyone to make a firm prediction, some analysts are estimating prices could reach as much as $1.50 a gallon for heating oil, a distillate that doubles as diesel fuel, even if there's no fighting. With war, that might be a minimum.

Heating oil prices in early January had risen as high as $1.41 a gallon in New York and $1.51 a gallon in Massachusetts following last winter's record December cold snap.

The stage was set for a rapid rise in prices because of the relatively low level of heating oil inventories, which stood at 119.8 million barrels at this time last year. But the nation's heating oil stocks now are at a five-year high of 131.7 million barrels and provide a bigger buffer against wild price swings.

The U.S.-inspired embargo against Iraq and Kuwait has removed more than 4 million barrels of crude a day from world markets. Not all of that oil flow has yet been replaced by increases from other producers and some analysts believe it never will be. With less oil available, they say, prices inevitably will be bid up.

''If everything goes right, we should be able to get through without any serious supply problems,'' said Kevin Lindemer, an oil analyst at Cambridge Energy Research Associates in Cambridge, Mass. ''But it's going to mean higher prices, I'm sure of that, unless there's a resolution to the gulf crisis.''

Pessimists expect spot shortages of oil even without an outbreak of hostilities, but that does not mean homeowners will be without heat.

They warn that especially frigid weather in the Northeast, where two- thirds of the nation's more than 12 million households that heat with fuel oil are located, could strain supplies.

Even more than two-thirds of the fuel is burned in the nine Northeastern states that include New England, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania because the weather is colder there than in other areas where heating oil is used, the Department of Energy said.

Some unforseen problem such as storm damage, an accident or sabotage at one of the country's approximately 140 oil refineries, which are operating at capacity, could cause real problems.

Pressure also is building on the federal government to tap into its Strategic Petroleum Reserve - a massive pool of oil stored in salt domes in Louisiana and Texas - to moderate the rise in prices.

The Bush administration had resisted that suggestion, saying the reserves - designed to protect the country from a major disruption of foreign oil supplies - were not needed yet.

Only last week, however, Energy Secretary James Watkins conceded such measures may be necessary.

And a New York heating-oil dealer has begun a petition-writing campaign that he hopes will become a nationwide groundswell to persuade Bush to open up the reserve and force oil companies to roll back wholesale oil prices.

Meanwhile, there are signs consumers are seeking alternatives.

In August, Boston Gas Co., New England's biggest distributor of natural gas, had twice as many requests for hookups for consumers switching from oil heat to gas as it did in August 1989 ''for obvious reasons,'' said Frank Arricale, a spokesman for the company.

Even wood burning, a fad in the late '70s that has slowed dramatically since, is showing signs of life.

Alan Blake, an editor at Hearth and Home magazine, a trade journal based in Guilford, N.H., said the wood stove industry suddenly is ''seeing a dramatic increase in interest.'' Just in the last two weeks, he said, customers have come alive.

''When oil hit $30 a barrel, they started buying,'' Blake said.

Meanwhile, some consumers staying with oil already are dipping into the country's current oil inventory cushion with earlier-than-usual purchases, the home-heating market's equivalent of topping off your gas tank.

One retail oil distibutor, George Kehm, owner of Kehm Oil Co. in Oakdale, Penn., said his customers reacted quickly to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''As soon as this hit, we went crazy,'' Kehm said. ''We probably got 1,500 orders right away,'' compared with about 150 normally at that time of year.

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BY LEE STOKES - UPI

CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 17) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis has once again pitted Moslem against Moslem and altered alliances within the Arab world as rival Islamic theologians scramble to exploit religion for nationalism.

Analysts see historical parallels in medieval Europe, where Christian states battled each other in the name of God and religion.

In Cairo - known as the city of 1,000 mosques - the muezzin's Friday sermon blasted from loudspeakers around the metropolis bears a different message to that emanating from the mosques of Baghdad, Amman and even Shiite Tehran.

''Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has betrayed you because he has betrayed the values and principles of Islam,'' cried an Egyptian muezzin on a recent Friday morning.

At another Cairo mosque, the message is reinforced: ''Saddam is a traitor and a defector from the faith.''

But the sermons from clergymen in Iraq, Jordan, Iran and Lebanon call for the punishment of Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Syria for allowing ''infidel'' Western troops on Saudi soil sacred to Moslems.

A number of Moslem radicals have rallied to Saddam's banner, even though Baghdad during the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war was a bulwark against the spread of late Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini's unique brand of Islamic fundamentalism.

After his tanks rolled into Moslem neighbor Kuwait Saddam astutely played down his secular Baathist Arab nationalist political roots and declared himself the defender of the Islamic faith.

The Iraqi leader's fiery but hollow religious message to topple ''corrupt'' Saudi leaders was most enthusiastically welcomed in Qom, the spiritual powerbase of the Iranian revolution - a revolution which very nearly destroyed the Iraqi leader.

Khomeini's successor Ayatollah Ali Khamenei swung behind Saddam and called last week for a Jihad or holy war against U.S. forces in the Gulf, despite reservations from Iran's pragmatic President Hojatoleslam Ali-Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani.

Radical Iranian newspapers conveniently forgot the one million casualties of the Iran-Iraq war and began a pro-Saddam propaganda campaign of their own. Paradoxically, this was sweet music to the isolated Iraqi leader's ears at a time when many Moslem states dismissed him as the butcher of Baghdad.

''Not so long ago Gulf Arab states such as Saudi Arabia backed Iraq to the hilt as the defender of the Arab Moslem nation's eastern flank against the Persians ... now we see the prospect looming of an unholy alliance between Iraq and Iran,'' said Mark A. Long, a London-based writer on Mideast affairs.

Both sides in the conflict have scrambled to ensure divine blessing for their political positions. Sheikh Metwalli el Sharawi, a noted Egyptian Islamic scholar, slammed Saddam as an aggressor and justified the presence of U.S.-led forces in the Gulf.

''The Prophet Mohammed asked an infidel called Al Motaam ibn Edie to help him enter Mecca,'' Metwalli said. ''Prophet Mohammed also borrowed weapons from Safwan ibn Omaya, a non-believer, when he was in need. Those who condemn the interference of infidel countries should ask themselves who paved the way for their interference.''

Metwalli also rejected Saddam's claim to be redistributing Kuwait's oil wealth to the poor, and his offer to give free oil to developing countries.

''Saddam controlled considerable (oil) wealth in Iraq but he wasted it ... why didn't he distribute his own country's wealth to the Iraqi people,'' asked the Egyptian religious leader.

Saudi King Fahd, who four years ago adopted the title of Custodian of the two holy Mosques, last week hosted a World Islamic Conference in the sacred Moslem city of Mecca to justify his decision to call in foreign troops.

''Ironically, the Saudi ruling family's future is for the moment secured not by Arab and Islamic forces, but by the Americans,'' Long said. ''But Fahd may have unleashed a stronger nightmare than either Iran or Iraq - a united Iraqi-Iranian front.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Newspaper Guild members at the New York Post Monday prepared to vote on pay cuts and layoffs demanded by the owner of the ailing tabloid to keep it alive.

Members were scheduled to meet at 6 p.m. to vote on the offer that includes a four-day work week - the equivalent of a 20 percent pay cut - a 12 percent cut in benefits, and the loss of more than 40 jobs.

The job reductions would be achieved by laying off seven non- permanent workers and offering voluntary buy-outs to about 36 others. Overall, Guild concessions would save $5 million annually.

Owner Peter Kalikow has said he was prepared to fold the paper Tuesday if the 325-member union, which includes reporters, editors, photographers and advertising and clerical employees, voted against the proposal.

Guild members have adamantly voted down wage cuts in the past. The Post Guild Executive Commitee rejected the deal Friday night in eleventh-hour negotiations, but allowed it to be presented to the membership. Kalikow agreed to wait for the vote.

Friday night's bargaining brought sweeping concessions from the paper's other nine unions. The agreements were expected to save the paper more than $20 million annually and preserve about 900 jobs.

The deal included giving unionized employees 20 percent ownership of the company and a seat on the board of directors.

The other unions, including the pressmen and drivers, achieved most of their reductions by agreeing to job cuts and other savings proposed by management.

The outcome of Monday's vote could also determine the fate of another financially troubled New York tabloid, the Daily News, where a bitter labor-management standoff has raged all year. News management has said it will seek similar cuts from the union.

The News, meanwhile, reported Sunday that although the drivers' union gave up more than 92 positions at the Post during negotiations, those remaining reportedly will get raises of about $100 a week.

Monday's vote was due to take place at the Guild's headquarters on West 44th Street, New York City.

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NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 17) UPI - New Orleans teachers went on strike Monday in a salary-and-benefit dispute with the school board, which attempted to keep classes operating with administrators, non-union teachers and substitutes.

School board officials said there was no money available to meet union demands for the system's 4,000 teachers, as well as teacher aides and clerical workers.

United Teachers of New Orleans President Nat Lacour blamed school Board inflexibility for the strike.

Teachers began picketing the schools at 6 a.m., carrying signs saying, ''No Raise, No Work,'' and ''UTNO on Strike.''

About half of the staff showed up for work at Abramson High School, where

Principal Joe Pecoraro said instruction would continue.

''Of course, it's not going to be the same instruction as when you have all certified staff here,'' he said, ''but we definitely will have instruction.''

Some parents complained of a breakdown in discipline and a lack of instruction.

In an emergency meeting, the school board adopted an 11-point resolution that included a cut-off of pay to teachers while on strike, and a threat they could also lose future contributions for health insurance premiums.

''We cannot give what we do not have,'' said Frank Fudesco, an associate superintendent and the board's chief negotiator.

Union officials predicted students would be assembled to watch movies, and teachers who crossed the picket lines would be little more than baby-sitters.

The teachers had voted at the start of school two weeks ago to postpone a strike in hopes of reaching an agreement with the school board. They also had dropped demands for a $45 million package that included a 10 percent pay raise in favor of pressing for increased salaries and health insurance benefits for teacher aides and clerical workers.

In the face of what they said was school board intransigence, the teachers reverted to their original demand for 10 percent pay raises in each year of a three-year contract.

''It's a strike over economic justice,'' Lacour told a cheering crowd Sunday night.

On Saturday, the union made a counterproposal for $1 million to improve the employees' health benefits fund, and agreed to wait until later in the year to seek raises for the aides and clerical workers.

However, the school board refused to budge from its earlier proposal of $600,000 for the health benefits. After the strike began, the board reduced the offer to $300,000.

Teachers' salaries range from $19,455 for beginners to $35,111 for teachers with doctoral degrees and 25 years of experience.

Teacher aides earn about $11,00 a year, while clerical workers' salaries range up to $16,800.

The state gave teachers a 7 percent pay raise this year, but aides and clerical workers were not included in the increase.

The school board has raised teachers' salaries twice since 1983, but Lacour

said the increases have been eroded by rising health insurance and retirement costs.

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#90260u1291 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
AMMAN, JORDAN (SEPT. 17) UPI - A pro-Iraq conference of Arab organizations ended in Jordan Monday with a call for strikes on American targets if the United States attacks Iraq.

In a final communique, the conference denounced Western invention in the Gulf and demanded an Arab solution to the crisis caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The conference declared that the first objective of a newly formed national committee was ''to strike against American interests everywhere and by all means, at the same moment an American military attack is launched against Iraq.''

Representatives of more than 120 parties and organizations from eight Arab countries attended the conference. Also present were two leaders of radical PLO factions, who were expelled from Jordan two decades ago. Egyptian representatives were not permitted to leave their country to attend.

The communique expressed support for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's proposal linking the Persian Gulf crisis to the Arab-Israeli conflict.

''The conference supports the convening of an international peace conference to address all the unresolved conflicts in the region, including the gulf crisis, the Middle East conflict and the Lebanese problem,'' it said.

Palestinian nationalism and its role in the Gulf crisis were major themes at the symposium. Outside the Royal Cultural Center where the meeting was held a banner proclaimed ''A victory for Iraq is a victory for Palestine.''

Several hundred demonstrators, mostly students, packed the cultural center and stood outside while the lengthy communique was read in Arabic. Chanting ''Do it with chemicals, Saddam,'' and Palestinian slogans, they waved Palestinian and Iraqi flags as well as pictures of the Iraqi president, PLO chairman Yasser Arafat and King Hussein.

Attending the meeting were George Habash, head of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, and Naif Hawatmeh, head of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

The two leaders of radical PLO factions met separately Sunday night with King Hussein, spokesman for the two men said.

The meetings represented a significant reconciliation between the PLO leaders and the king, Palestinian sources said. Habash and Hawatmeh fled Jordan during the civil war which erupted in September 1970 and led to the expulsion of Palestine Liberation Organization guerrillas and leaders from the country.

The king's talks with the PLO leaders were another sign of the shifting political alliances in the Middle East since the Iraqi invasion.

Hussein, who in the past was seen as one of the most pro-Western Arab leaders, has increasing been associated with radical Arab figures.

While calling for an Iraqi withdrawal of Kuwait, Hussein has remained a staunch ally of Iraq. He has pressed for an Arab solution to the Gulf crisis and the withdrawal of Western troops.

Habash and Hawatmeh were permitted to re-enter Jordan Friday for the conference.

The official Jordan media did not mention Hussein's meetings with the PLO leaders.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says President Bush's videotaped speech broadcast yesterday to the Iraqi people was ''very helpful.'' Fitzwater says the message helped show Iraqi citizens that the world was united against them. He says it also explained the U-S role in the operation to drive Iraq out of Kuwait. .

It's apparently true that loose lips sink ships... or at least military careers. Defense Secretary Cheney today fired Air Force Chief of Staff Michael Dugan... apparently for an interview in which Dugan said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would be targeted by U-S bombers.

A critical test for the space shuttle Columbia is scheduled for this afternoon. That's when NASA engineers will load the shuttle with hydrogen fuel for launch early tomorrow. The fueling will determine if the repaired shuttle is leak free. Fuel leaks and other problems have plagued Columbia since the spring.

Former President Ronald Reagan today compared himself with Rip Van Winkle as he spoke before a panel of the Soviet Parliament in Moscow. Reagan expressed pleasure that so many changes had taken place in the society he once dubbed the ''evil empire.'' Reagan also urged the Soviet citizenry to be patient as the communist giant cultivates a market economy.

A number of lawmakers are NOT happy with the fact that Medicaid patients are

NOT offered the same discounts on prescription drugs that are provided to other customers. The lawmakers told a Senate panel today that the highly profitable drug industry is ''stiffing'' the Medicaid program for the poor.

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#90260u1303 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

BAY CITY, MI (SEPT. 17) UPI - Firefighters used water and chemical foam Monday in an effort to extinguish a fire aboard a gasoline tanker that exploded in the Saginaw River, injuring 11 crew members and leaving a 12th presumed dead.

The water and 8,000 gallons of A-fff foam, which is used to smother chemical- and petroleum-based fires, was pumped from the Bramble, a 180- foot Coast Guard buoytender, onto the 393-foot M.V. Jupiter.

A crew from a Texas firm that specializes in dousing chemical fires then planned to board the burning vessel, said Petty Officer Frank Jennings, a Coast Guard spokesman at District Nine headquarters in Cleveland.

Jennings said the crew would begin at the bow and work back to the stern in an attempt to have the roaring inferno out by the end of the day.

''That's the plan. They're going to give it their best shot,'' Jennings said.

As a precaution, the state Department of Natural Resources set huge floating booms downriver to catch any gasoline leaks from the double- hulled ship and Gov. James J. Blanchard declared a state of emergency after touring the area Sunday.

Eleven crew members were injured and a 12th was missing and presumed dead after the Jupiter exploded about 8:30 a.m. Sunday while unloading fuel at the Total Petroleum dock near Bay City.

The tanker contained 54,000 barrels - about 2.3 million gallons - of refined unleaded gasoline it had taken from a Sunoco terminal in Sarnia, Ontario.

About 20,000 barrels were still on board when the Jupiter's deck blew off in an explosion felt miles away, sending crewmen leaping into the water, witnesses said.

Thick, black smoke could be seen 50 miles away.

Police and fire officials said the explosion and fire began after another ship the 645-foot freighter Buffalo, passed the Jupiter as it was moored to the Total pier, pumping gasoline into shore-based storage tanks.

Investigators believe the Buffalo's wake caused the Jupiter to rock

uncontrollably and become untethered from the pier. They said the resulting explosion may have been caused by a spark or other source.

The Coast Guard said a Chicago Coast Guard captain will head an inquiry into the explosion. Since the Jupiter was unloading in a no-wake zone, the DNR and Coast Guard are studying violations of state and federal laws.

Several smaller explosions occurred Sunday and early Monday as the tanker continued to burn out of control, said Petty Officer Stephen Attaway of Coast Guard Group Detroit.

''It certainly hasn't gotten any worse,'' Attaway said Monday morning. ''The ship is still afloat. We do have three containment booms around it in case we get any release of gasline. That hasn't happened.''

Only six of the 18 crewmen were unscathed. All but three of the 11 injured were released after treatment at Bay Medical Center. Attaway said the search for the missing 12th crewman, Tom Sexton, 46, of Cedar Falls, Iowa, was suspended Monday.

''We searched the area thoroughly. There is no evidence he did survive,'' he said.

Family members said they were told Sexton jumped from the burning vessel and tried to swim to safety but never reached the shore.

Emergency equipment from Boots & Coots Inc., a Beaumont, Texas, firm that specializes in fighting tanker fires, arrived Monday morning.

Officials at first feared the burning tanker would break loose because it was attached to the dock by just a thin cable but the Coast Guard lassoed the Jupiter's anchor and secured it to a 209-ton bulldozer.

Residents along the river were put on alert but no one was evacuated.

Built in 1976, the Jupiter is owned by Cleveland Tankers of Cleveland, a subsidiary of Ashland Oil Co. of Kentucky, said Ashland spokesman Roger Schrum.

The vessel has a double hull. Gasoline is stored in six compartments that hold about 9,000 barrels each. Each barrel contains 42 gallons of gasoline.

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AUSTIN, Texas (SEPT. 17) UPI - The nation's thrift industry as a whole lost $3.64 billion in this year's first quarter, but 68 percent of thrift institutions were profitable in the period, a financial consulting firm said Monday.

Of a total of 2,860 institutions, 1,946 were in the black in the first quarter according to a report issued by Alex Sheshunoff & Co.

Profitable savings and loan institutions earned $1.2 billion, but these profits were wiped out by the remaining 32 percent of the institutions - which lost a total of $4.9 billion.

''Contrary to what the indsutry totals might suggest, many S&Ls are strong, profitable institutions,'' said Alex Sheshunoff, president of the consulting firm.

However, he said that many thrifts are operating in either overbuilt or overpriced real estate markets and that a few have been weakened further by investments in risky assets such as junk bonds.

Thrifts in 17 states reported positive earnings, led by Washington state with $30 million, Ohio $27 million and Illinois $21 million.

Thrifts in six states - Texas, Arizona, California, Kansas, New York and New Jersey - accounted for three-fourths of the industry's quarterly loss.

The industry loss further reduced its tangible capital, falling $4.17 billion, or 41 percent, in the first quarter.

According to Sheshunoff, that left the industry with a first-quarter tangible-capital-to-assets ratio of 0.48 percent - significantly beneath the minimum of 1.5 percent required by new federal rules.

Of all thrifts, 1,896 thrifts with $654.6 billion in assets ended the first quarter with a tangible-capital ratio of 3 percent or more. But as with profits, the adequately capitalized institutions were overshadowed by the several undercapitalized thrifts.

''Many of the 496 S&Ls with negative tangible capital and $271.6 billion in total assets seem destined for a number of fates, ranging from new private owners to being eternally run by the government,'' Sheshunoff said.

In the asset category, the total assets of all institutions fell by 2.3 percent to $1.25 trillion as of March 31, from $1.28 trillion at the end of 1989.

Sheshunoff said assets declined mainly because the thrifts sold assets to improve their capital-to-asset ratios and the regulators disposed of assets of some troubled thrifts.

Repossessed assets continued to increase during the quarter, but the rate of increase remained dramatically decelerated from previous years, the report

said.

Consisting mainly of foreclosed real estate, repossessed assets rose 4.7 percent to $35.5 billion during the first quarter, from $33.9 billion in 1989. By comparison, repossessed assets grew an average of 17.2 percent annually between 1985 and 1989.

The Southwest continued to lead the country in non-performing loans, with $5 billion, or 10.2 percent of the gross loans, in the first quarter.

Sheshunoff also said real estate values are going through a classic boom and bust as the nation experiences a ''rolling'' real estate recession - one moving from one region to another.

''The nation is now witnessing in the Northeast a repeat episode of the troubles of the Southwest - a real life demonstration of what can happen when the speculative real estate bubble bursts,'' he said.

He said that thrifts in the future will need to deal with the challenges of credit risk arising from deteriorating real estate values, interest rate risk posed by holding fixed-rate mortgages and controlling overhead expenses as interest spreads shrink.

''Proof of the thrift industry's essential viability is amply demonstrated by the fact that 1,946 S&Ls are profitable today,'' he said. ''But its chance for survival as a separately regulated industry rests in the hands of regulators charged with cleaning up the mess left by those who never should have been in the industry to begin with.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - The House, moving to avoid another multi-billion dollar bailout for the financial industry, voted Monday to have banks pay higher premiums for the insurance fund that protects bank depositors.

The bill, passed by voice vote and sent to the Senate, would allow the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. to raise the premiums to whatever level is needed to keep the insurance fund solvent.

The action came in response to an increasing number of bank failures that has caused the bank insurance fund to suffer losses every year since 1983. The insurance funds administered by the FDIC pay depositors up to $100,000 for accounts held in banks that go out of business.

Sponsors of the bill stressed the need to keep the fund solvent and avoid the situation that occurred in the savings and loan industry, where the failure of thousands of firms drained the insurance fund, making it necessary to use

taxpayer funds to cover the losses.

Rep. Henry Gonzalez, D-Texas, chairman of the House Banking Committee, told the House the condition of the bank fund ''will almost certainly continue to deteriorate as the bank industry's condition declines along with the economy.''

''Clearly, the bank insurance fund will go the way of the (thrifts' fund) unless quick action is taken to shore up the fund,'' Gonzalez said.

FDIC Chairman William Seidman recently told committee members the insurance fund ''is under considerable stress.''

Rep. Chalmers Wylie, R-Ohio, ranking Republican member of the committee, said higher premiums are ''essential for maintaining a healthy balance'' in the bank insurance fund.

''There is a critical difference between what we are doing now and what happened so far as the savings and loan crisis is concerned,'' Wylie said. ''On this occasion we are practicing an ounce of prevention before a pound of cure is needed. ... If we are to avoid a repeat of the savings and loan disaster we must practice aggressive oversight when danger appears on the horizon.''

Gonzalez and others have introduced bills to accomplish a comprehensive overhaul of the bank insurance system, but it is not expected that Congress will have time to deal with the issue before adjourning for the year. Gonzalez said it was ''prudent to move this (premiums increase) bill separately and expeditiously.''

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EL ZARZAL, Honduras (SEPT. 17) UPI - Floodwaters swept away a schoolbus trying to cross a river in eastern Honduras, drowning at least 26 people including the American driver and many kindergarden-age children, authorities said Monday.

Local police and rescue workers said the accident occured Sunday afternoon when the bus tried to cross the Choluteca River about 30 miles east of the capital. The bus was carrying school children on a day trip.

U.S. Embassy spokesman Mark Jacob told United Press International in a telephone interview that unconfirmed reports said there were 38 people, mostly children, aboard the bus.

''There are conflicting reports,'' Jacob said. ''At least 26 people are reported dead.''

Authorities in the nearby town of El Zarzal, 27 miles east of Tegucigalpa, said rescue workers and police continued the search Monday for more bodies. They said 26 bodies have been recovered.

The American woman was was identified by local authorities as Dorotea Hutch, 50, the head of a Honduran kindergarden. News reports said her body had been recovered.

''At this point, I am unable to confirm the death of the American woman because of the Privacy Act,'' Jacob said.

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PANAMA CITY, Panama (SEPT. 17) UPI - Nine months after their country was invaded by U.S. troops, many Panamanians support the U.S. military buildup in Saudi Arabia but say Washington must avoid a full-scale war with Iraq.

In recent interviews, Panamanians said an invasion of Iraq would be far more costly than the invasion of Panama last December, when U.S. troops ousted dictator Manuel Noriega and installed a civilian government.

''I am in total agreement that the United States has troops in Saudi Arabia to protect the other Arab countries,'' said Remiy Franceschi, 62, a retired farmer. He added, however, that he would not support a U.S. invasion of Iraq.

''The United States could destroy all of Iraq within one week,'' Franceschi said. ''But there would be millions killed. It would not be worth it.''

Hundreds of civilians were killed in the invasion of Panama while the neighborhood surrounding Noriega's headquarters was leveled. Many Panamanians supported the invasion but now complain that the United States has not sent enough aid to help rebuild the country.

After Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2, the United States led an economic blockade against Iraq and sent thousands of troops to neighboring Saudi Arabia.

U.S. economic sanctions and troop maneuvers were also used to pressure Noriega before the invasion. But - while Noriega commanded a corrupt, disorganized army of 12,000 that U.S. troops overcame in about six hours - Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein has one of the best-equipped armies in the Middle East and stockpiles of chemical weapons.

''I do not think that the United States will invade (Iraq) because there would be so much human suffering,'' said one Panamanian, who would not give his name. ''I don't think President Bush would go through with it.''

Noriega was an unpopular dictator, but Panamanians said Iraqi support for

Saddam may be much stronger.

''These people (the Iraqis) are ready to die. For them, to die fighting is to die for Allah,'' said Marco Antonio Rivero, an industrial engineer.

Rivero added that a U.S. war with Iraq could cause Arab nations to rally around Saddam.

''Iraq is not a very big threat to the United States, but - once the Arab people unite - it could become very serious,'' he said.

Rigoberto Rodriquez, 50, an unemployed Panamanian, said he doubts Iraq wants to get into a war with the United States.

''(Saddam) is very intelligent. He is not going to get into a world war,'' he said.

Carlos Tyril, who works at the Panama Canal, said the United States may invade Iraq if the crisis continues and U.S. hostages in Kuwait are not released.

''Those people need help. I think the United States should do something about it. They should try to do more negotiations but, if nothing results, they will have to make their own decision,'' Tyril said. ''For freedom, somebody has to die.''

A woman who would not give her name added: ''If the gringos want to go and die that is their problem.''

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AMMAN, Jordan (SEPT. 17) UPI - The Palestine Liberation Organization said Monday they felt optimistic about an Arab solution to the Persian Gulf crisis because of a positive response from Saudi Arabia and Iraq on the outline of a PLO proposal.

Political adviser to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat Bassam Abu Sharif told United Press International that Arafat's outline proposal for a political settlement within the Arab framework received positive response from Arab leaders, but that ''details can be worked out.''

''The PLO now feels optimistic that an Arab political solution is possible and that the ground for such a solution had been drawn as an outline. The response to Arafat's proposals from several Arab countries, including Iraq and Saudi Arabia, were not negative,'' Abu Sharif said during a short visit to Amman.

Arafat's proposal included linking the entire Middle East problem - the Palestinian-Israeli, Arab-Israeli conflict - with the gulf crisis, as well as

giving self-determination to the Kuwaitis.

''Dealing with the Middle East problem and the Gulf crisis even- handedly with the implementation of Security Council resolutions does not necessarily mean simultaneously,'' Abu Sharif said, adding that the resolutions must be dealt with consecutively.

Arafat, who is currently in Iraq, met with Morocco's King Hassan last week where they discussed the proposal, after which the King sent envoys to Iraq and Saudi Arabia. Abu Sharif said the chairman has been in touch with most of the Arab leaders and continues to send envoys to Saudi Arabia.

Abu Sharif described the PLO's outline of the proposal as ''basically what President Saddam Hussein had proposed in his initiative and in his letter to Presidents Bush and Gorbachev.''

He said that Saddam had talked about the even-handed dealing with the Security Council resolutions concerning the Middle East. ''This is the key to the solution,'' he commented.

Abu Sharif said the PLO stopped short of condemning Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2 because ''condemnation only complicates matters.'' He added that the PLO wanted solutions and not resolutions.

The PLO official referred to the United States using the veto seven times in the Security Council condemning Israeli practices against Palestinians under the pretext that condemning would complicate the situation.

He accuse the West of criticizing the PLO because it would not support the Weestern military build-up in the gulf.

Abu Sharif denied that the PLO was divided in its position on the gulf crisis, saying all factions were against foreign military presence and intervention in the region.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 17) UPI - Hotel Investors Corp. and Hotel Investors Trust said Monday that they have received a $61.5 million cash offer for the companies from investor group First West Capital Corp.

The companies, whose shares are traded on a paired basis on the New York Stock Exchange, said that the $5-a-share offer would be subject to several conditions, including cooperation with lenders and completion of the deal by the end of the year.

Hotel Investors, which has investments or management interests in more than 30

hotels, has been trying to sell its assets for more than a year.

The companies had previously announced a definitive agreement to sell interests in 27 hotels to Japanese investors Park Plaza Inc. but spokeswoman Mary Hubbard said that the agreement has been suspended pending review of the new offer.

The companies said they have postponed their annual meeting until Oct. 12.

The companies posted a loss of $2.2 million for the first six months of this year on revenues of $59.6 million. They lost $60.5 million last year mostly as a result of writedowns in the values of properties.

Hotel Invetsors stock was up $1 a share to $3.875 in early afternoon trading Monday on the New York Stock Exchange.

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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (SEPT. 17) UPI - Two families stepped forward Monday with separate winning tickets to claim shares in a Florida Lotto jackpot of $106.5 million, the second largest lottery grand prize in U.S. history.

Scott and Kathy Smith, a brother and sister from Longwood, said they had formed a family partnership to share any winnings among a total of 12 family members.

Richard J. Piasecki Sr., a former autoworker who retired to New Smyrna last year, said he and his wife Jeanne will share their newfound wealth with their son, Richard Jr., and daughter, Mary Jo Bednarski.

Lottery officials were still awaiting word from the holders of the remaining four winning tickets.

Each winning ticket is worth $17.75 million in 20 annual installments. The Pieseckis and Smiths both were handed their first installment checks of $887,500 during a news conference at Lottery headquarters.

The newly rich appeared undaunted at having to share the jackpot.

''Who needs $106 million?'' said Pat Landry, the Smith's mother, who is getting a share of the family's loot.

Lottery computers indicate the remaining winning tickets were sold in Coconut Creek, Venice, Miami and Winter Haven.

Lottery Secretary Rebecca Paul said the lottery has arranged free air fare to bring winners to Tallahassee to have their tickets validated and to claim

their winnings.

The winning numbers chosen in the Saturday night drawing were 5, 6, 21, 34, 35 and 45.

The jackpot was second only to the $115.6 million Pennsylvania Lottery jackpot split by 14 winners in April 1989.

The Piaseckis had no immediate plans to spend their new wealth, but did plan to go car shopping and to move up from the rented mobile home they live in.

''I'll learn to live a life I'm not used to,'' said Richard Sr., 58, who took early retirement after Chrysler closed the Kenosha, Wis., American Motors plant where he worked.

The Smiths planned to keep their jobs and carefully invest their winnings. Scott, 35, operates his own accounting firm, and Kathy, 34, is a registered nurse working for an obstetrics practice in Orlando.

The junior Piasecki, 30, said he was likely to quit his job as a printing pressman, and so did his sister, Mary Jo, 34, who looked into the news cameras and said, ''This is my notice.''

Ironically, Jeanne Piasekci said she used to fuss at her husband for investing in lottery tickets.

''I don't believe in gambling,'' she said.

Did her good luck change her mind?

''Life's a chance, I guess.''

The jackpot was somewhat higher than the $105 million lottery officials estimated Sunday. Sales for the week were a record $109.1 million. The jackpot amount, which includes rollovers from four previous weekly drawings, is less than the total sales amount because of overhead costs and prizes paid to those who matched three, four and five numbers.

Of the proceeds, about $40 million is earmarked for the state's schools.

That windfall was expected to dampen the impact in the classroom of a $544 million slump in state tax collections, which is forcing 5 percent cutbacks in state spending this year.

In addition to the grand prize winners, there were 1,581 tickets sold that matched five numbers to win $4,488 each, 96,000 that matched four numbers to win $108 and 1.8 million that matched three numbers to win $5.50.

The previous jackpot record for Florida was $58.32 million, split by five winners April 7, 1989.

The estimate for next week's jackpot was $9 million.

Lotto players pick six numbers between 1 and 49. The odds of any one ticket matching all six numbers are about one in 14 million.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - The 12-nation European Community said Monday it will expel all Iraqi military attaches in EC capitals in retaliation for Baghdad's raids on embassies in occupied Kuwait and the Pentagon fired the Air Force's top general for saying Saddam Hussein would be in U.S. bombsights if war erupts in the Persian Gulf.

In Brussels, the EC's 12 foreign ministers agreed to expel all Iraqi military attaches in EC nations and restrict the movements of other Iraqi diplomats.

Some countries, including Britain and Belgium, adopted the retaliatory measures Monday and others were expected to quickly follow. France and Italy took steps over the weekend.

The action was a response to last week's violation by Iraqi troops of French, Dutch, Belgian and Canadian diplomatic facilities in occupied Kuwait. Five diplomats, including an American, were detained briefly and three French civilians were taken captive.

France had been the first to retaliate, saying Saturday it was expelling military attaches and suspected Iraqi intelligence agents and ordering 4,000 more troops to Saudi Arabia. They will join the 9,000 French who are already part of the multinational force building in the desert kingdom in response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

In Washington, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney fired the Air Force chief of staff, Gen. Michael Dugan, for saying publicly that revised Pentagon bombing plans specifically target Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Dugan, in an interview published Sunday, said the Joint Chiefs of Staff had concluded that U.S. military air power - including a bombing mission against Baghdad that specifically targets Saddam - is the only effective option to force Iraqi forces from Kuwait if war erupts.

''The cutting edge would be in downtown Baghdad,'' Dugan was quoted as saying. ''This (bombing) would not be nibbling at the edges. If I want to hurt you, it would be at home, not out in the woods someplace.''

Saddam is a ''one-man show'' in Iraq, Dugan was quoted as saying. ''If and when we choose violence, he ought to be at the focus of our efforts.''

Dugan, appointed to his post in July, is the first member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to be fired since 1949, the Pentagon said.

''Relieving him is not a pleasant task, but I felt it was a necessary one,'' Cheney said of Dugan, 53, a decorated Vietnam War veteran.

Noting that conduct of U.S. security policy is a ''very delicate task,'' Cheney said Dugan's remarks to reporters did not ''reveal an adequate understanding of what is expected of him.''

''There are certain things that we never talk about'' at the Pentagon, Cheyney said.

''We never discuss operational matters, such as the selection of specific targets for potential air strikes,'' Cheney continued. ''We never talk about the targeting of specific individuals who are officials in other governments. That's a violation of the executive order (against assassinations).''

In other developments Monday:

-The U.S. Navy said warships have intercepted 1,000 vessels since enforcement of the U.N.-ordered economic embargo of Iraq and Kuwait began more than one month ago. The Navy said 65 merchant vessels had been boarded and five diverted or ordered to return to their port of origin.

-In Saudi Arabia, painstaking identity checks designed to screen out Iraqi infiltrators slowed the flow of refugees through occupied Kuwait's newly reopened border with Saudi Arabia. Saudi authorities estimated more than 5,000 refugees had entered the kingdom since Iraqi border guards on Saturday inexplicably opened the frontier. But the departures slowed Monday, with officials saying only 50 vehicles had been allowed through. The bottleneck was caused by an effort to screen the refugees to establish their credentials, Saudi officials said. Saudi and U.S. military officials are concerned that Iraqi soldiers, who have been stripping refugees of all identification before they leave Kuwait, were rendering Kuwaitis stateless to allow Iraqis to infiltrate Saudi Arabia posing as refugees.

-State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said 249 American evacuees arrived in the U.S. Saturday, another 160 arrived Sunday, making a total of 1,308 people evacuated so far. Another 1,280 Americans remain in Kuwait, and 170 are in Iraq. Another 747 flight is scheduled for this Wednesday (arriving Raleigh-Durham Thursday) and at least one more after that.

Two more Americans were picked up by Iraqis over the weekend, bringing to 82 the number of detainees.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 17) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	78.80	79.60	78.80	79.37	78.62
Dec	77.00	77.50	76.97	77.17	76.87
Feb	75.15	75.85	75.15	75.62	75.10
Apr	75.70	76.10	75.70	75.90	75.42
Jun	73.72	74.00	73.72	73.90	73.57
Aug	71.85	72.60	71.85	72.15	71.80
Oct	72.40	72.60	72.15	72.15	71.85

Est. sales 13,462 contracts; Friday 13,761; open interest 69,972 off 1,018.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Sep	88.70	89.30	88.70	89.17	88.75
Oct	87.35	88.15	87.25	87.97	87.17
Nov	87.10	88.02	87.10	87.77	86.97
Jan	86.50	86.97	86.50	86.85	86.42
Mar	85.15	85.50	85.10	85.45	85.00
Apr	84.30	84.40	84.30	84.32	83.95
May	82.80	83.30	82.80	83.15	82.90

Est. sales 1,709 contracts; Friday 1,290; open interest 10,529 up 183.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	52.70	53.35	52.50	53.00	51.87
Dec	52.00	52.90	52.00	52.35	51.67
Feb	48.90	49.65	48.90	49.25	48.75
Apr	45.75	46.27	45.60	45.90	45.57
Jun	50.00	50.50	50.00	50.35	49.92
Jly	50.00	50.40	50.00	50.37	50.00
Aug	....	49.00	....	49.00	48.60
Oct	43.90	44.15	43.90	43.92	43.70

Est. sales 3,603 contracts; Friday 9,000; open interest 25,753 off 457.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	55.10	56.65	55.10	56.65	54.65
Mar	55.00	56.62	55.00	56.62	54.62
May	55.60	57.37	55.60	57.37	55.37
Jly	55.55	57.25	55.55	57.25	55.25
Aug	....	53.90	....	53.90	51.90

Est. sales 1,583 contracts; Friday 2,735; open interest 6,016 off 26.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Monday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 120.77 up 26 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 119.66 up 17 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 114.55 up 9 cents, 700-850 lbs. 114.33 up 10 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins were not well established; skinned hams firm to $1.00 higher; seedless bellies firm to $3.00 higher; loins 14-18 lbs. 119.00-119.50; hams 14-17 lbs. 96.00, 17-20 lbs.94.00-95.00, 20-26 lbs. 94.00, 32 lbs. and up 90.00; bellies 12-16 lbs. 56.00, 16-18 lbs. 49.00, 18-20 lbs. 45.00.

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PARIS (SEPT. 17) UPI - General Motors Corp. said Monday that it will invest over $1 billion in its European automotive parts division during the next four to five years in an effort to strengthen its position as a supplier to the European car industry.

The investments in General Motors' European division, Automotive Components Group Europe, will total $285 million in 1990 alone, according to division President Mark McCabe. He said that the bulk of the planned investments would go to enhance ACG's manufacturing facilities.

''In a typical year, ACG has invested less than $100 million in Europe,'' Fred Bellar, Director of Planning and Finance, said at a Paris press luncheon.

General Motors has accelerated its participation in the European market in recent years, with company executives saying that the European market for automobiles and options such as power steering, air conditioning, and automatic transmissions shows more promise than the North American market.

''We consider the European Community the most important market in the world,'' said ACG marketing director Graham Bell. ''It is moving faster than the States.''

General Motors would not disclose how much of the projected $1 billion investment would come from European profits or be subsidized by G.M. operations in the United States.

''We currently import 10 percent of our products from the U.S,'' McCabe said. ''We don't want to have long supply lines and don't want to chase the dollar around.''

ACG, which operates 49 factories in Europe, supplies all the major automobile firms on the continent including its competitors Ford, Honda, Toyota, and Nissan.

While G.M. and its European Opel division make up 60 percent of ACG's $2.4

billion in sales, the firm sells such products as wiring harnesses, transmissions, brake components, air conditioners, and windshield wipers to 21 European manufacturers.

Increasing the sales of options such as power steering, automatic transmission and air conditioning is behind ACG's European strategy, but the popularity of features taken for granted in America lags behind in Europe, according to company officials.

''Europe is about 10 years behind on the options growth chart,'' said Bellar.

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REDWOOD CITY, CA (SEPT. 17) UPI - A public defender conceded Monday that Ramon Salcido killed seven people but said the former winery worker was under a ''psychotic depression'' at the time of the 1989 rampage.

Marteen Miller made the admission in his opening statement before a San Mateo County Superior Court jury of eight women and four men at the trial of Salcido on seven counts of first-degree murder.

Sonoma County Assistant District Attorney Peter Bumerts, seeking the death penalty, said he would use Salcido's own confession - made to sheriff's deputies en route back from Mexico where he was arrested - to show the slayings were premeditated.

Salcido, 29, was charged with killing his wife Angela, 24, in their Boyes Springs home; daughters 4-year-old Sofia and 1-year-old Teresa at a remote dump site; his mother-in-law, Marian Richards, 42; her daughters, Ruth, 12, and 8-year-old Maria, in Cotati; and Grand Cru winery co-worker Tracy Toovey, 35, on April 14, 1989. He was arrested several days later in Mexico.

Salcido's 2-year-old daughter, Carmina, survived the knife attack that killed Sofia and Teresa.

Miller told the jury that the confession would show that Salcido was in a ''psychotic depression'' at the time of the killings. He also said that psychiatrists who have examined his client agree ''he is severely mentally ill.''

The Sonoma County lawyer said he would present during the trial psychiatrists who would testify that Salcido ''went into a psychotic depression'' before the slayings.

Miller said Salcido has the mind of a 2-year-old and ''the world was him.'' He added he loved his children ''only as an extension of himself.''

Bumerts, speaking of the confession, said, ''You will hear Ramon Salcido, in his own words, describe with exquisite specificity how he decided to kill his daughters because he was angry with his wife.''

The prosecutor said Salcido went on an alcohol-cocaine binge the night before the killings.

Bumerts said when Salcido got home, his wife was gone and he became angry so he took his daughters to the dump site and slashed them. Then, Bumerts said, Salcido went to the Richards home where he waited until her husband left for work and then killed her and the two girls. Bumerts said Salcido was angry with Mrs. Richards because she knew Sofia had not been fathered by him.

Salcido then contacted his wife by telephone at their home, went there and killed her, Bumerts said. Salcido proceeded to the winery where he killed Toovey because he felt the victim was trying to get him fired.

Salcido talked with his family in Mexico by phone, and then drove there to meet with his mother, Miller said.

The trial was moved to San Mateo County from Santa Rosa because of heavy pre-trial publicity.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 17) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.56	2.61 3/4	2.56	2.61	2.57
Dec	2.72 1/2	2.77 1/2	2.71 1/4	2.76	2.73 1/4
Mar	2.86 1/4	2.91 1/4	2.85	2.90 3/4	2.87 1/4
May	2.94 1/2	2.99	2.93	2.98 1/2	2.95
Jly	3.01 1/2	3.05 1/4	2.99 3/4	3.03 1/2	3.01 3/4
Sep	3.09	3.09	3.09	3.09	3.05
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.33 3/4	2.35 3/4	2.32 1/4	2.35 3/4	2.32 3/4
Dec	2.24	2.26	2.23 1/4	2.25 1/2	2.24
Mar	2.34	2.35 3/4	2.32 3/4	2.35 1/4	2.33 3/4
May	2.40 1/4	2.42	2.39 1/4	2.42	2.40 1/4
Jly	2.45	2.46 3/4	2.43 1/2	2.46	2.44 3/4
Sep	2.45	2.47	2.45	2.46 1/2	2.45
Dec	2.46 1/2	2.48 3/4	2.45 3/4	2.48	2.46 3/4

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	1.07 1/2	1.09 1/4	1.07 1/2	1.09 1/4	1.07
Dec	1.15 3/4	1.17 1/2	1.14 3/4	1.17 1/2	1.14 3/4
Mar	1.26 1/4	1.28	1.25 1/2	1.28	1.25 1/2
May	1.32 1/2	1.35	1.32 1/2	1.35	1.32 1/2
Jly	1.40	1.41	1.40	1.41	1.39 1/2

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	6.26	6.26 5/8	6.15	6.15 1/2	6.24 1/2
Nov	6.37	6.37	6.26	6.26 1/2	6.34 3/4
Jan	6.51	6.51 1/2	6.41	6.41 1/4	6.49 1/4
Mar	6.65	6.65	6.53 1/2	6.54 1/2	6.63
May	6.73	6.73	6.63 1/2	6.63 1/2	6.71
Jly	6.78 1/2	6.79	6.70	6.70 1/4	6.77 1/4
Aug	6.67	6.69	6.64	6.64 1/2	6.71
Nov	6.36	6.38	6.34 1/2	6.34 3/4	6.35 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Sep	23.63	23.71	23.59	23.70	23.63
Oct	23.60	23.69	23.53	23.66	23.57
Dec	23.78	23.90	23.70	23.84	23.77
Jan	24.10	24.10	23.93	24.09	24.00
Mar	24.35	24.40	24.25	24.32	24.30
May	24.50	24.60	24.48	24.55	24.52
Jly	24.55	24.65	24.55	24.60	24.60
Aug	24.40	24.60	24.60	24.60	24.35
Sep	24.25	24.50	24.25	24.49	24.20

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	184.50	185.00	181.00	182.20	185.00
Oct	185.50	186.10	181.80	183.10	185.90
Dec	189.80	190.10	185.80	186.60	189.90
Jan	190.70	190.70	187.50	188.00	191.30
Mar	194.00	194.00	190.50	190.60	193.90
May	195.00	195.30	191.60	192.10	195.10
Jly	196.00	196.00	192.50	193.10	196.10
Aug	194.00	194.00	191.50	191.50	194.50
Sep	193.50	193.50	191.00	191.50	193.50
Oct	190.00	190.00	187.50	187.70	189.00
Dec	188.80	188.00	187.10	187.50	189.00

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - In an effort to achieve historical balance, the House voted Monday to establish a memorial to the victors at one of the most famous battlegrounds in the United States, the Little Bighorn.

Since 1881, a monument has stood at the site Custer's Last Stand to honor the men of the 7th Cavalry who died in a battle against overwhelming numbers of Indians in 1876, but there is no monument to the Indians.

The bill, approved by voice vote and sent to the Senate, would authorize a monument ''to commemorate the Indians who fought to preserve their land and culture at the battle of the Little Bighorn,'' said Rep. Bruce Vento, D-Minn.

''While many know of Custer's Last Stand, far fewer know of the circumstance or events that led to the momentous encounter at Little Bighorn,'' Vento told the House. ''For a time the story only centered on the daring and flamboyancy of Lt. Col. George Armstrong Custer, who led his men into the fateful battle that proved to be the high water mark in the Plains Indians' struggle.''

Looking back on the battle in the hills around the Little Bighorn River, ''we can see sacrifice and bravery on both sides,'' he said.

The new memorial ''is meant to give recognition to Indians who fought there, just as the existing 7th Cavalry monument recognizes U.S. Army participants.''

Rep. John Rhodes, R-Ariz., said the new memorial ''will at last give recognition to the fallen Indian warriors in the most famous battle ever fought in the Indian wars.''

Rhodes called the Montana battle, in which some 225 Army soldiers and scouts died, ''a spectacular triumph of the American Indian and one that for too long has not been properly recognized. This legislation today will begin to restore historical balance to the battle.''

''While many members of the Cheyenne, Sioux and other Indian nations gave their lives defending their families and their traditional lifestyle and their livelihood, nothing stands at the battlefield to commemorate those individuals '' Rhodes said.

The bill would authorize a design competition to select an appropriate memorial to the Indian participants in the battle. It also directs the National Park Service, which maintains the Custer Battlefield National Monument, ''to interpret the events at the park in such a way as to reflect on the total historic importance of it,'' Vento said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Gold futures closed 420 to 430 points higher Monday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.

Sep	387.10	....	....	389.40	385.10
Oct	388.80	390.90	399.20	390.60	386.40
Dec	393.00	396.00	392.40	395.20	391.00
Feb	397.70	399.50	397.50	399.40	395.20
Apr	402.30	403.00	402.00	403.40	399.30
Jun	405.50	407.20	405.50	407.60	403.40
Aug	409.50	409.50	409.50	411.50	407.30
Oct	415.80	415.80	415.80	416.10	411.80
Dec	419.00	419.00	419.00	420.70	416.40
Feb	423.30	....	....	425.60	421.30
Apr	428.00	....	....	430.30	426.00
Jun	433.00	....	....	435.30	431.00

Open interest: 113,077 off 2,307.

Estimated sales: 33,000 contracts.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 17) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev Monday proposed a referendum to let the people decide whether land should be privately owned - a move which lead to scrapping the collective farm system.

Organized by the state with brute force in 1929-32, the 40,000 collective and state farms have failed to feed the country, forcing the country to import some 40 million tons of grain a year, including 44 million tons last year.

''The to-be or not-to-be of private ownership of land - this question is the sovereign right of the people to decide. It can be decided only through a referendum,'' Gorbachev said in a recommendation to the Supreme Soviet.

The call perplexed parliament because gradual privatizaton is already part of a radical 500-day economic market plan on which the deputies will vote this fall. The official Tass news agency said the plan will be discussed all week by the lawmakers.

The Russian Federation, largest of the 15 Soviet republics, has already approved its own 500-day plan, and its premier Ivan Silayev told a news conference Monday his republic might not wait for a referendum and might begin unilaterally implementing the drive to a market on Oct. 1.

Gorbachev said abandoning the public ownership of land, one of the cardinal features of socialism, was so vital it could not be left either to the national legislature or the parliaments of the republics.

''It should be decided by the people themselves and should be decided through a referendum,'' Gorbachev said. ''This is a serious problem, too serious to be

decided in any auditorium or forum, even so responsible a one as ours.''

Although holding a referendum on the land ownership could delay implementation of the 500-day economic plan to move the Soviet Union to a market economy, approval of the measure in a plebiscite would give public support to the overall reform effort.

It would also give Gorbachev a broad consensus to dismantle the collective farm system, in which the land belongs to the community as a whole in theory but in reality is administered by state officials.

Under the 500-day plan, peasants will be able to buy land but not resell it to individuals. Land could only be transfered back to local authorities, who would in turn resell it.

But Silayev, the Russian premier, told journalists he believed that land sales would eventually be permitted between individuals. It was Silayev's boss, Russian president Boris Yeltsin, who initiated the move towards a radical economic reform.

The Supreme Soviet debate brought together the three chief economists in the county, Leonid Abalkin, Stanislav Shatalin and Abel Aganbegyan, all who have advised Gorbachev during the perestroika era.

Abalkin, whose plan for a gradual transition to a market was beat back last June, said under the 500-day plan, ''25 percent of the collective and state farms possessing 35 percent of the agricultural lands will go bankrupt.''

But the government career of Abalkin, the minister of economic reform and adviser to Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov, may be near over.

Sunday, tens of thousands of Soviet citizens braved a pelting rain to march through Moscow and demand the resignation of Ryzhkov and his government, blaming him for chronic shortages from cigarettes to bread.

In further bad economic news, the city council of Sverdlovsk, home town of Yeltsin in the Urals and thus a barometer of thinking in the Russian republic, warned it would stop fulfilling state orders for goods because its region had not been receiving supplies of meat, sugar and tobacco.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 9 to 17 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev

Oct	11.00	11.24	10.92	11.15	10.98
Mar	10.62	10.77	10.59	10.71	10.60
May	10.62	10.76	10.60	10.70	10.59
Jly	10.64	10.74	10.63	10.71	10.59
Oct	10.67	10.80	10.67	10.76	10.67

Estimated sales: 17,924 contracts
Open interest: 114,419 off 800
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.23

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 12 to 26 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.05	23.21	23.05	23.21	23.02
Jan	22.88	23.02	22.88	23.02	22.76
Mar	22.95	23.01	22.95	23.01	22.80
May	23.01	23.04	23.00	23.03	22.89
Jly	23.01	23.07	23.01	23.06	22.94
Sep	23.01	23.06	23.01	23.06	22.94
Nov	22.70	....	....	22.89	22.70

Estimated sales: 1,037 contracts
Open interest: 10,345 up 58

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - Yields fell on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Monday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $9.29 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 7.39 percent, down from 7.41 percent last week and the lowest since Sept. 4, when the auction also yielded 7.39 percent.

The Treasury also sold $9.23 billion of 26-week bills at an average of 7.30 percent, down from 7.34 percent last week and the lowest since Aug. 6, when the yield stood at 7.19 percent.

The investment rate was 7.64 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,813.20 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26- week bill was 7.69 percent at $9,630.90.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - With approval from the Senate Judiciary Committee appearing increasingly likely, Supreme Court nominee David Souter spent his 51st birthday side-stepping more abortion questions Monday and defending his

views about court activism on social issues.

The federal appeals court judge from New Hampshire, engaging in his third day of questioning before the panel, was expected to finish his testimony Monday.

Souter, nominated by President Bush to replace retiring liberal Justice William Brennan, again refused to answer questions relating to his personal views on abortion, having said such an answer would be inappropriate because of the likelihood he would have to rule on an abortion challenge if he is confirmed.

Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., asked Souter what would be the practical effect if the Supreme Court overturned the landmark 1973 Roe vs. Wade decision guaranteeing legal abortions.

''The issue would become a legislative judgment in every state,'' Souter said. ''I think that it's safe to say that those legislative judgments would not be uniform. There would be, I'd dare say, a considerable variety in scope of protection afforded or not afforded (for abortion).''

Souter also said a succesful challenge to Roe vs. Wade would call into question several earlier Supreme Court rulings, such as a martial privacy case.

The committee chairman, Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., opened Monday's session on a light note, telling Souter: ''We are convened today to celebrate Judge Souter's birthday. Happy birthday, judge.'' Biden added that Souter told him ''whether or not he had a happy birthday was up to me. And I told him, ''No, that occurs in about two or three weeks (with ''or three weeks (with

Sen. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., who was considered a potential swing vote entering the hearings, told Souter, ''I believe you will be confirmed.'' Several Republican committee members have expressed confidence the nominee will be endorsed by the committee, although Biden cautioned, ''Some of us still haven't made up our minds.''

Several senators questioned Souter on statements he made Friday that a decision-making ''vacuum'' by the legislative and executive branches of government by necessity put divisive issues such as abortion on the agenda of the Supreme Court.

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., told Souter that view represents ''a very expansive interpretation'' of judicial authority that contributes toward making the Supreme Court a ''super legislature'' that steps beyond judicial bounds. The high court has been criticized by some for activism in recent decades.

Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, said Souter's view is ''dangerously close to acting like a politician'' rather than a judge, with Souter retorting, ''The last thing in the world I would want to be taken for is a politician.''

Souter said it is ''a darn tough line to draw'' between judicial restraint and activism. ''I wish I had a neat formula for it.''

Under questioning by Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, Souter said he made a mistake in 1977 when serving as New Hampshire attorney general in not vigorously opposing a $70,000 contribution by operators of the Seabrook power plant to help defray law enforcement costs incurred during a large demonstration at the site. Souter said the contribution gave the appearance of impropriety.

''We learn as we go along,'' Souter said.

Souter said he supports the constitutionality of the use of sobriety check points by police to catch drunken drivers, a practice upheld by the court during its most recent session. Souter called the check points a ''comparatively minor'' intrusion and not ''sort of the thin end of the wedge for watering down very important Fourth Amendment protections'' against unreasonable search and seizure.

Souter also said he does not agree that the death penalty in all cases is ''cruel and unusual punishment.''

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#90260u1657 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 17) UPI - A spokesman for Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said Monday that Iraq tried to buy Egypt's silence ''at any price'' before it invaded Kuwait, but that Mubarak rejected the offer.

Press Secretary Mohammed Abdulmoneium did not elaborate on the proposal, but his comments seemed to confirm Arab news reports that Iraq offered Egypt oil and money to look the other way before it invaded the tiny, oil-rich emirate of Kuwait on Aug. 2.

Instead, Egypt has been a staunch supporter of U.S.-led efforts to counter Iraqi aggression and is one of three Arab countries, along with Syria and Morocco, to send soldiers to serve in the Western-dominated multinational military force in the Persian Gulf.

Abdulmoneium said in a statement that Mubarak had explained Monday to Egyptian troops bound for Saudi Arabia the circumstances leading up to the invasion of Kuwait, ''stressing all of the steps which were taken before the invasion with the aim of neutralizing Egypt and buying its silence at any price.''

''But Egypt could not stand against right,'' Abdulmoneium quoted Mubarak as telling the soldiers, according to a report from the semi- official Middle East News Agency.

He could not be reached later for further comment.

Mubarak was also quoted as telling the Egyptian soldiers preparing to go to Saudi Arabia that he regretted sending Arab troops to an Arab country, but defended the decision against criticism by Iraq.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 17) UPI - Monday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.61 up 2 3/4-4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.15 1/2-6.16 1/2 off 8-8 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.29 1/2-2.35 3/4 up 1/2-3.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.33 1/2 up 1 1/2-3 1/2.

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#90260u1718 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - The European Community today approved a plan to expel all Iraqi military attaches in the organization's 12 states. The move is in retaliation for Saturday's incursions by Iraqi troops into three Western embassies in Kuwait. The E-C has postponed deciding the amount of financial aid to send Middle East states. .

Defense Secretary Cheney says today's firing of Air Force Chief of Staff General Michael Dugan stems from Dugan's violation of Pentagon policy. Dugan was quoted yesterday as saying Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein would be in the sights of possible U-S bombing missions. .

Diplomats in Islamabad, Pakistan, say 100-thousand Pakistanis volunteered to join the effort in Saudi Arabia to ward off further Iraqi aggression. The volunteerism stems from a desire to preserve sacred Moslem sites in Saudi Arabia.

Soviet President Gorbachev told his nation's parliament that a referendum of the people is the best way to determine whether to do away with the country's collective farm system. A gradual privatization already is called for in a radical 500-day plan to transform the communist economy to a market system.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry will NOT be re-tried on the 12 charges that a federal jury did NOT pass judgment on during his drug and perjury trial

this summer. Federal prosecutors decided NOT to hold another trial but called for a quick sentencing on the one charge on which Barry was convicted.

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#90260u1722 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - Fall arrived early in the Northeast and mid-Atlantic states today... including a surprise snowfall in the mountains of Vermont. The West and South enjoyed pleasant weather, while thunderstorms drenched Texas.

NO date has been decided for Poland's presidential elections, but Solidarity founder Lech Walesa threw his hat into the ring today. Walesa says he is seeking the office so he can further the reforms he launched a decade ago with the trade union.

The Israeli government today dropped a bid in the Canadian courts to seek an injunction against a book about its Mossad spy agency because efforts for a similar ban was rejected in the United States last week.

An American woman was among 26 people who were killed in Honduras when floodwaters swept away a schoolbus that was trying to cross a river about 30 miles east of the capital. Many of the victims in yesterday's accident were kindergarten-age children.

More than 10-thousand demonstrators snaked through the narrow streets of Katmandu, Nepal, today in a rally calling for King Birendra to accept limits on his power. The cuts are designed as part of a move toward a multi-party democracy.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Monday	1093.8
Friday	1088.2
Week ago	1096.7
Month ago	1139.1
Year ago	1095.1
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.01

60 to 89 days 7.87

90 to 119 days 7.79

120 to 149 days 7.79

150 to 179 days 7.67

180 to 270 days 7.64

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.05 - 7.75

Issuers 30 days 7.99

Issuers 90 days 7.67

Issuers 270 days 7.42

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.08

60 to 89 days 8.04

90 to 119 days 8.04

120 to 149 days 8.03

150 to 179 days 8.02

180 days 8.02

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.00 - 8.125

1 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

3 month 8.00 - 8.125

6 month 8.00 - 8.125

Year 8.125 - 8.25

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.38 - 7.37

6 months 7.29 - 7.27

Year 7.24 - 7.22

Federal Funds: High 8, Low 7 15-16, Close 8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 7.841 up 0.018.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90260u1751 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - The American Stock Exchange announced Monday it will begin trading put and call options on an index of blue-chip Japanese stocks, part of the exchange's efforts to expand into a global marketplace.

The Japan Index, developed by the Amex, measures the aggregate performance of 210 leading stocks on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

The index, calculated before the opening of Amex trading, is based on the closing prices of the component Japanese stocks.

The new options, to be regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, will be denominated in U.S. dollars, the exchange said.

Trading begins Sept. 25, pending SEC approval.

''Since the Japan Index measures the performance of core stocks that span a number of industry groups throughout the Japanese economy, the options on the

index offer a uniquely effective means of hedging risk and increasing yields in Japanese equity holdings,'' said James Jones, chairman of the Amex.

''The new Japanese Index options are evidence of the exchange's strong commitment to globalization and to taking the lead in developing products that create new opportunities for individual and institutional investors,'' Jones said.

The exchange has signed an agreement with the Economic Development Corporation of Honolulu to develop a securities trading facility in Hawaii, also part of the Amex's globalization strategy, the exchange also announced.

Launch of the options trading coincides with four products based on Japanese issues that are slated to begin the same day in Chicago.

The Chicago Mercantile Exchange is starting futures contracts on the Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues and options on the futures contracts, both to be traded in U.S. dollars.

The Chicago Board of Trade is listing futures contracts on the broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Composite Index, or TOPIX, and options on those futures contracts, to be traded in yen.

Japan's Ministry of Finance had been concerned that such products would contribute to volatility on the Tokyo exchange, an Amex spokeswoman said.

''If those four products go forward in Chicago, we're going to go forward also '' the exchange chairman said in announcing the options trading launch.

''I think there's still a sense they would like none of them to go forward,'' he added.

Japan's Finance Ministry had asked the Amex to place a moratorium on issuing additional Nikkei warrants, which the Amex began in January, the spokeswoman said.

The exchange has complied, in part because there haven't been any other issues the spokeswoman said. The exchange also has studied the matter and did not consider that the practice adds to market volatility in Tokyo, she said.

The exchange will seek joint-venture agreements with Asian and U.S. firms before proceeding with operation of a Hawaiian facility, the exchange said.

The success of a Hawaii-based facility would depend upon attracting investor flow from Japan and other Pacific Rim nations, the exchange said.

The Japan Index options have elicited strong interest from retail customers, said Steven Bloom, the Amex assistant vice president for new products.

''Our target audience are American retail customers, American institutions and surprisingly enough, we're getting more interest from Japanese investors who see this can offer a hedge and compete with Japanese products,'' Bloom said.

Typical customers will be ''generally upscale, sophisticated people who can bear risk,'' said Howard Baker, senior vice president of the exchange's options division.

The options feature eight near- and long-term expirations, with expiration dates set from one month to as long as three years in advance, the exchange said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	58 5-8	up	1 1-8
AT&T Company	30 3-4	unch	
BCE Inc	30 3-4	up	1-8
Bell Atlantic	45 3-8	up	5-8
BellSouth Corp	51 3-8	up	3-8
Exxon Corp	51 5-8	up	1-4
Ford Motor Co	34 3-4	up	1-8
Genl Electric	59	off	1-2
General Motors	37 1-8	off	3-8
GTE Corp	25 1-4	off	3-8
IBM Corp	105 1-8	up	3-4
Mobil Oil Corp	66 1-2	up	1
Nynex Corp	70 7-8	up	7-8
Pac Gas & Elec	20 5-8	off	1-8
Pacific Telesis	40 1-2	off	1-4
Phila Electric	14 7-8	unch	
Sears Roebuck	27 3-4	off	1-4
Southern Co	23 5-8	up	1-4
Sthwestern Bell	48 1-4	up	1-4
US West Inc	34 1-2	off	1-4

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PRAGUE (SEPT. 17) UPI - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher Monday said she supported Czechoslovakia's eventual entry into the European Community and other Western institutions, but cautioned deeper reform in the former East Bloc nation is still needed.

Thatcher, in Prague on a three-day visit, also threw her support behind a Czechoslovak-led initiative to expand the role of the 35-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe and congratulated the Czechoslovaks on having overthrown 42 years of communist rule in last November's peaceful ''velvet revolution.''

But she said the legal system and the country's pervasive communist- era bureaucracy must be reformed and massive privatization of state-run industry must occur before Czechoslovakia could expect full membership in the European Community.

Czechoslovakia has embarked on an ambitious program of economic reform, and most prices will be freed and most small businesses privatized beginning January 1991, government officials have said.

Thatcher said that only then could lower level economic links with British industry begin to work.

President Vaclav Havel, who attended a news conference with Thatcher, said he understood the concerns foreign businessmen had when dealing with enthusiastic but bureaucracy-bound Czechoslovak partners.

But Havel said reform was coming quickly. ''I believe we are entering an era no longer of contemplation but of implementation of economic reform,'' Havel said.

Havel also pointed out that Thatcher's visit, which came two days after French president Francois Mitterrand paid his own two-day state visit, was part of an effort by the Czechoslovaks to avoid an overdependence on Germany and Austria for economic development.

Speaking about Germany, Havel said, ''We do not want to be overly dependent on anyone. We have had bad exprience with that. Economic relations should be established in a balanced way,'' Havel said.

Since 1948, Czechoslovakia has effectively been an economic satellite of the Soviet Union, and for centuries before that it traded mainly with Austria and Germany.

Thatcher's proposal to welcome Czechoslovakia and other emerging East European democracies to the European Community is seen by some to be an attempt to further dilute E.C. President Jacques Delors' plans for full economic and monetary union of the 12 EC member states by 1992.

Thatcher is openly hostile to European monetary union, and most recently has proposed scaling down EC plans to create a common currency.

Welcoming additional members into the EC could make the community so unwieldy

that member states might seek to weaken its power. Thatcher has long said the EC exerts too much control over internal affairs of member states.

''The European Community, perhaps an enlarged one, is the center of our economic policy, the Atlantic Alliance, Nato, including the United States and Canada is part of our defense policy, but the CSCE is the only forum in which the United States, Europe and the Soviet Union meet in discussion,'' Thatcher said.

''I think it would be beneficial to us all if our foreign minsiters met often, at least twice a year,'' she added.

Thatcher urged the establishment in Prague of a CSCE secretariat for some of these meetings.

For the Czechoslovaks, the biggest news of Thatcher's visit appeared to be the abolition of visas for travel to Britain effective October 1.

According to British consular sources, the embassy in Prague expected to grant about 20,000 visas by the end of 1990.

Enthusiasm for the English people and language is high in Prague, but many young students have been unable to afford the visa fee - equivalent to about one-third of a month's wages in Czechoslovakia.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - Mandatory reporting of AIDS infection ''makes all the sense in the world'' to help Americans stricken by the deadly virus receive proper medical care, a federal health official told the National AIDS Commission Monday.

Dr. James Curran of the federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta said he thinks the time has come to start keeping confidential government records listing the names of people infected with the AIDS- causing human immunodeficiency virus or HIV.

AIDS activists have long argued against such mandatory reporting, saying they fear health agencies cannot ensure that the names of HIV- infected people will not leak out and make them targets of discrimination. Such concerns may also prevent people at high risk of HIV infection from coming in for testing, they said.

About 20 states currently require mandatory reporting of the names of HIV-infected people to health officials. However, only a ''handful'' actually are implementing that policy and providing the necessary follow-up care and counseling to HIV-infected people, their sex partners and children, Curran

said.

The expense of offering HIV-infected people the proper medical treatment appears to be a major reason that states are dragging their feet in requiring HIV infection to be reported like other infectious diseases, the CDC official said.

Drugs like AZT, which directly fights the AIDS virus, and aersolized pentamidine, which guards against AIDS-related pneumonia, can prolong the lives of people infected with HIV. However, such medications are relatively costly and the decision about when to start them hinges on making sure a person receives regular tests to check the state of their immune system.

''HIV reporting as it exists in the United States is an under- utilized tool for AIDS prevention,'' Curran said, adding ''A mandatory reporting system makes all the sense in the world.''

About 1 million Americans - 100,000 of them women of child-bearing age - are estimated to be infected with HIV. Even if they are not sick, all those people should be closely monitored by doctors, coming in for appointments anywhere from every one to six months, said Curran, who heads the CDC's AIDS effort.

HIV is spread by sexual or blood-to-blood contact, like intravenous drug users sharing needles. It can also be transmitted from an infected woman to her baby. Ten years or more may pass from the time a person is infected with HIV until he or she develops AIDS.

HIV currently appears to be spreading most rapidly among minorities living in inner city areas - people who may not be well served by voluntary, anonymous testing with no government follow-up to ensure proper treatment for those found to be infected, Curran said.

The CDC official also suggested that in localities known to have a high rate of infection, pregnant women might be routinely tested for HIV.

Currently, 1 percent of women delivering babies in some northeastern cities are infected with HIV, and one-third or more of their infants go on to develop AIDS.

''If this were any other disease, there would be mandatory testing,'' Curran said, adding he was ''very frustrated'' by how the medical system currently handles the HIV threat facing thousands of women and their babies.

But Curran told the AIDS Commission, which was formed by Congress to oversee the nations fight against the HIV epidemic, that pressure from AIDS activists and cost-conscious local governments likely would make it tough to implement any widescale system of mandatory reporting, let alone testing.

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EAST BERLIN (SEPT. 17) UPI - Bitter disputes over claims of collaboration with the once-dreaded State Security police dominated East Germany's political debate Monday, less than three weeks before the state formally ceases to exist.

Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere said that many of the claims were the result of a disinformation campaign led until January by the now- disbanded special police force, known as Stasi. He said the Stasi had named many people as former collaborators in a bid to destabilize the country.

De Maiziere made the remarks amid allegations that two of his current Cabinet ministers - and four others who have since left the government - had cooperated with the State Security police of the Communist authorities ousted last fall.

The bitter disputes continued to dominate the political debate in East Germany which will cease to exist on Oct. 3 when it accedes to West Germany's Federal Republic.

Defense Minister Rainer Eppelman and former Economics Minister Gerhard Pohl said Monday they would sue an official who until recently was charged with disbanding the Stasi. The official, Werner Fischer, had publicly alleged that the pair had acted as informers for the Stasi.

The West German Spiegel magazine, meanwhile, claimed in its latest edition that Interior Minister Peter-Michael Diestel, who took over Fischer's job, had blocked investigations into the Stasi past of well- known legislators.

And Dieter Hildebrandt, who heads a commission of inquiry into past Stasi activities, Monday insisted that Environment Minister Karl-Hermann Steinberg should resign. Hildebrandt rejected Steinberg's denials of Stasi collaboration as ''crassly contradicting the facts.''

The commission recently claimed that 68 of the East German parliament's 400 deputies had worked for the Stasi, but said it would only reveal names after it has concluded investigations.

Under the former leadership, the Stasi had 85,500 full-time employees and an estimated 500,000 informants, which would mean that nearly one out of every 30 East Germans was collaborating with the State Security police.

East German officials are also debating whether to grant access to the Stasi's secret files on 6 million East German citizens.

''Under no circumstances may individual persons be allowed to receive their files,'' de Maiziere said. ''Then there would be no more neighbors, friends or

colleagues - then there would be murder and homocide.''

De Maiziere's East German Christian Democratic Party served as a satellite bloc party to the former ruling Communist party from 1949 to 1989.

Members of the pro-democracy movements which led the peaceful revolution against East German hard-line ruler Erich Honecker last fall want to grant people access to their files.

A citizens group, which has occupied the central archive of the former Stasi building for the past two weeks, called for protecting the files from falling into the hands of other intelligence services and for finding means to allow individuals access to the files.

More than 30,000 East Germans have signed an open letter in support of the group's demands.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2567.33	up	3.22	887.94	off	1.48	199.89	up	0.69
Friday	2564.11	off	18.56	889.42	off	8.69	199.20	off	0.88
Week ago	2615.59	off	3.96	908.10	off	0.18	200.45	off	0.44
Month ago	2656.43	up	11.63	930.29	up	6.38	201.46	up	0.32
Year ago	2687.50	up	12.92	1442.21	up	2.49	216.49	up	0.95
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			959.95			181.84		

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Amer Recreation (1st Q 8-29)	
$12,396,000	$9,412,000
$110,000 (.02)	d-$368,000
Bridgford Food (3rd Q 8-3)	

$20,481,464 $17,315,247
$1,013,111 (.24) $934,345 (.22)

McCormick & Co (3rd Q 8-31)
$321,532,000 $314,878,000
$17,902,000 (.43) $19,368,000 (.45)

Nike Inc (1st Q 8-31)
$833,607,000 $602,648,000
$99,654,000 (2.62) $75,854,000 (2.01)

Penril Corp (4th Q 7-31)
$13,740,000 $12,135,000
$2,049,000 (.40) $1,642,000 (.34)

Southern Co (8 months Q 8-31)
$5,373,198,000 $5,086,105,000
$632,000,000 (2.00) $643,000,000 (2.04)

Vie de France (4th Q 6-30)
$25,490,597 $21,930,760
d-$1,902,000 d-$1,141,445
d-Deficit.

W Bell & Co (2nd Q 8-4)
$19,618,000 $23,231,000
d-1,204,000 d-$946,000
d-Deficit.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 20 points higher to 45 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	72.75	73.25	72.65	72.75	73.20
Dec	71.25	72.10	71.20	71.60	71.59
Mar	72.60	73.25	72.60	72.82	72.95
May	73.32	73.65	73.30	73.45	73.70
Jly	73.70	73.90	73.66	73.66	73.90
Oct	69.75	69.75	69.75	69.70	69.60
Dec	67.75	67.96	67.75	67.95	67.75

Estimated sales: 4,200 contracts
Open interest: 35,072 up 475
The World spot average: 69.86

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(correcting net changes on Engelhard Platinum/palladium).

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold			
London			
Previous close fix	385.25	up	1.50
Morning fixing	387.90	up	2.65
Afternoon fixing	389.40	up	4.15
Close	390.00	up	4.75
Paris	391.06	up	4.49
Zurich	389.00	up	2.50
Hong Kong	387.95	up	3.10
New York			
Comex spot close	389.40	up	4.30
Republic cash	390.25	up	4.25
Handy and Harman	389.40	up	3.20

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 390.71 up 3.20 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 410.25 up 3.36 per troy ounce.

Silver			
Comex spot close	4.755	up	0.016
Republic cash	4.795	up	0.02

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.765 per fine ounce off 0.025

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.785 up 0.015and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.12 up 0.02

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 460.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 560.00 up 1.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 106.00 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 121.00 off 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90260u1808 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.35	off 0.19
10 Public Utils	90.58	off 0.07
10 Industrials	88.13	off 0.31

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#90260u1810 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - President Bush, brushing off demonstrations in Baghdad against his televised message to the Iraqi people, said Monday ''the truth is a good thing to put into Iraq'' as pressure builds in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Bush discussed several aspects of conflict with Iraq during a news conference, discounting suggestions Iran is moving to help Baghdad and refusing to speculate on how long U.S. troops will be deployed in the region.

The president, whose recorded address was broadcast Sunday on Iraqi television as promised, dismissed the street demonstrations that followed, quipping, ''It got a good exercise for the demonstrators, who had been notified to demonstrate before they even heard what I had to say. So it kept them hustling around, jumping up and up down, screaming about the United States.''

He added, ''If that helped them, you know, vent their frustration, fine.''

But on a serious note, he said he believes his warning that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has driven his people to ''the brink of war'' with the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and subsequent move toward Saudi Arabia will help end the crisis.

''What I do think it will do is send a word, very objectively, to other Arab countries that it isn't Saddam Hussein and the rest of the Arab world against the United States, but it is something quite different,'' Bush said.

''And if two Iraqi citizens heard that, it would be worth the effort, '' he said. ''And who knows? The truth is a good thing, a good thing to put into Iraq. They are getting very little of it know. So I think it was worthwhile.''

Told that French President Francois Mitterrand was pessimistic about the possibility of avoiding a shooting war with Iraq, Bush said, ''I didn't get the feeling that he was giving up on any peaceful solution'' in the contacts they have had over the past two weeks.

At the same time, Bush noted that France has been ''closely related'' to Iraq and wondered what had motivated the Iraqis to send troops into the French Embassy residence last Friday.

As for the possibility of a United Nations-sanctioned air embargo against Iraq the president said Mitterrand ''had talked to this point'' and ''I would be prepared to work with anyone to tie that additional knot in the sanctions.''

Asked about the warming relations between Iraq and Iran, Bush said ''there will be factions'' in Iran hostile to the United States, but ''the important thing is that Iran do what it has said it would do, and that is comply with the sanctions.''

The president also said that Iran ''got almost everything it wanted from Iraq ... and this has not enhanced Saddam Hussein's standing in Iraq.''

''Thousands lost their lives'' in the eight-year Iran-Iraq war, and ''we've had indirect assurances from Iran that they want to see these sanctions complied with,'' Bush said. ''Until I'm shown otherwise, I'm not going to buy in'' that Tehran will renege on its pledge to follow the U.N. sanctions.

Bush said the American people are ''magnificently united'' behind his Persian Gulf military buildup and recalled the same spirit during World War II.

As for a stalemate with U.S. troops based in Saudi Arabia for a long time, Bush said he had read a lot of predictions and ''I don't want to define it. I want those soldiers out as soon as possible.''

He said he also wanted a ''full-court international press on the diplomatic side'' to end the crisis peacefully.

Nonetheless, he said U.S. forces are primed for action and if ''something happened that required combat, the command structure would function would function very, very smoothly.''

In a word to ''the parents of the kids over there,'' Bush declared, ''Should something happen ... we're not going to have to stand around waiting for someone else to decide if there is some provocation.''

Despite the U.S. policy of promoting closer relations with Iraq during its war with Iran, Bush said that even with the ''benefit of hindsight'' he does not believe the United States miscalculated or could have changed Saddam's intentions.

''I think it's a miscalculation by Saddam Hussein,'' he said.

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#90260u1811 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - The head of the Institute of International Finance has challenged the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund not to lend money to countries that do not make a dent in their increasing debt.

''Major debtors need to restore creditworthiness if the international financial system is to function effectively,'' Horst Schulmann, the institute's managing director, told a recent briefing for reporters.

''The key determinant of creditworthiness is, of course, payments discipline and respecting the sanctity of contracts,'' he said.

The institute, which represents 145 of the world's largest banks, said interest arrears have more than tripled to $22 billion from $7 billion since the spring of 1989.

These arrears have grown despite other positive steps resulting from an IMF-World Bank debt reduction strategy. In the past five years, the face value of bank debt owed by highly indebted middle-income countries has been trimmed by more than $60 billion, Schulmann said.

''However, to conclude that all is well with the current official debt strategy would clearly be wrong,'' he wrote. ''The strategy has encouraged some countries to consider debt reduction an entitlement and to run interest arrears to commercial banks.

Schulmann said the official debt reduction strategy has been hampered by ''a strong element of moral hazard'' and he urged the IMF and World Bank to address the situtation ''as a matter of urgency.''

In a letter to the IMF and World Bank, Schulmann called for greater coordination among creditors who lend to less developed countries to keep arrears in check.

''Toleration of arrears to banks erodes standards of conduct and discipline towards all creditors and destroys the confidence of other would-be investors '' he wrote.

Governors of the IMF and World Bank open their annual meeting Sept. 24 after weekend meetings of the Group of Seven - finance officials from the world's seven wealthiest nations - and the expanded Group of 10 and Group of 24.

''The finance ministers must make it clear this week that the IMF and World Bank will not provide finance to countries until they have stopped adding to arrears and agreed with their creditors to a program to eliminate the arrears within a reasonable time frame,'' Schulmann said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2550.50	2585.89	2537.13	2567.33	up 3.22
20 Trans	883.14	892.01	874.45	887.94	off 1.48
15 Utils	198.63	200.33	197.87	199.89	up 0.69
65 Stock	888.49	899.11	882.99	894.05	up 0.78

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	14,336,200	17,757,400
Trans	2,297,400	2,380,300
Utils	2,215,300	3,025,800
65 Stock	18,848,900	23,163,500

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.35	off 0.19
10 Public Utils	90.58	off 0.07
10 Industrials	88.13	off 0.31

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 132.74 up 0.45.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index 174.62 up 0.47
ASE Market Value Index 321.71 up 0.26
Dow-Jones Industrial 2567.33 up 3.22

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#90260u1832 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks - 110,600,000 shares
1990 to date - 28,243,786,822
Warrants - 402,000
1990 to date - 177,980,700

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#90260u1833 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks - 9,810,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,496,592,745
Bonds - $2,440,000
1990 to date - $511,818,000

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#90260u1835 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Monday - $27,020,000
1990 to date - $7,971,356,000

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#90260u1839 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (SEPT. 17) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Monday - 6,932,000
1990 to date - 1,801,272,000

The market closed slightly lower.

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#90260u1856 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 321.80, low 320.97, close 321.71, up 0.26.

There was a gain of 1 cent in the average share price.

Volume 9,810,000 shares, compared with 10,647,470 Friday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	8
New Lows	44
Advances	215
Declines	284
Unchanged	241
Total Issues	740

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#90260u1867 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
ROME (SEPT. 17) UPI - Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti suggested Monday that the 12-nation European Community share a single representation at the United Nations as a step towards further European integration.

''To think of unified embassies of the 12 member nations may appear difficult '' Andreotti said. ''But, and I say it as a provocation in the positive sense, one thing can be done - the 12 could be represented as a unitary group at the United Nations.

''If in the U.N. Security Council there were also a seat for the European Community and one for Japan, it would not be bad,'' he said.

Italy currently holds the six-month presidency of the European Community and Andreotti floated his idea in an address to the Institutional Committee of the European Parliament, meeting in Rome.

He also suggested as a ''matter for study'' that the long-established Western European Union (WEU) defense organization could be made ''the first base of a security policy'' for the European Community nations.

He suggested the WEU could be incorporated within the European Community because ''it already exists and is a tried and tested organism which, after disappointments in the past, has given signs of vitality in recent weeks.''

The Italian prime minister said the two ''extraordinary'' events of recent days - German unification and the Persian Gulf crisis - ''do not diminish, but accentuate, the European Community's program aimed at unity.''

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#90260u1869 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	374.60	224.70	129.90	22.93	316.83
Opening	373.69	223.55	129.56	22.80	315.96
11 a.m.	375.56	224.87	129.95	22.89	317.44
Noon	375.30	224.75	129.94	22.86	317.24
1 p.m.	374.96	224.71	130.13	22.86	317.07
2 p.m.	374.43	224.55	130.07	22.86	316.69
3 p.m.	374.96	224.74	130.21	22.88	317.11
Close	378.83	225.55	130.35	22.90	317.77
Change	up 1.23	up 0.85	up 0.45	off 0.03	up 0.94

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Digital Equipmnt	1,557,800	56 5/8	up 1/4
Philip Morris	1,504,800	44 7/8	up 1/8
Russ Togs Inc	1,382,400	6 3/8	off 1/8
Prime Motor	1,334,700	1 1/8	off 1/4
Genl Electric	1,260,300	59	off 1/2

Genl Motors	1,241,100	37 1/8	off	3/8
Pepsi Co	1,205,700	24 1/4	off	1/2
Exxon Corp	1,186,700	51 5/8	up	1/4
Boeing Co	1,037,700	45 5/8	off	1/2
Toys R Us	953,200	23 1/4	up	5/8
Webb Del Corp	927,300	6 3/8	up	1/8
Wal-Mart Stores	901,400	26 5/8	up	1/4
IBM Corp	894,900	105 1/8	up	3/4
Waste Management	881,300	34	off	1/4
Unisys Corp	870,900	7 7/8	off	1/4

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#90260u1876 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - The White House expressed pleasure today at yesterday's broadcast to the Iraqi public of an eight-minute videotaped message by President Bush. Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater termed the airing ''very helpful'' to tell the Iraqi citizenry why U-S forces have been deployed in the Persian Gulf. While Bush did NOT directly challenge Saddam Hussein, he did warn that international pressures will be maintained against Iraq until Kuwait's former government is restored. .

The U-S Navy says at least one-thousand vessels have been intercepted in the Persian Gulf since U-N sanctions were imposed last month. Of that number, the Navy says 65 ships have been boarded and five ordered to return to their port of origin for attempting to violate the embargo. The blockade... known as U-N Security Council Resolution 661... is aimed at forcing Iraq to remove its troops from Kuwait.

Supreme Court nominee David Souter spent his 51st birthday today evading more questions on abortion from the Senate Judiciary Committee. The New Hampshire federal appeals court judge also had to further defend his views about court activism on social issues. This third day of Souter's confirmation hearing is expected to be his last.

Lawmakers appearing before a Senate panel today say drug manufacturers are ''stiffing'' the Medicaid program. They say poor people who are on Medicaid are NOT being offered the same discounts on prescription drugs provided to other customers. The lawmakers say that because Medicaid must pay higher prices for prescription drugs, officials are forced to slash recipients' benefits and re-imbursement rates.

Indians will finally get recognition from the government for their victory on one of the nation's most famous battlegrounds... Little Big Horn. The House voted today to establish a memorial for native Americans in an effort to achieve historical balance. A monument to the U-S Seventh Cavalry has stood at the site of Custer's Last Stand in Montana since 1881. The famed battle took place in 1876.

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#90260u1880 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 17) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	239.50	241.80	239.50	241.15	240.70
Dec	242.00	243.70	241.50	243.00	242.80
Mar	....	....	....	245.90	245.80
Jun	....	....	....	248.90	248.80

Previous day volume: 269 contracts.
Open interest: 1,364 up 21

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	314.25	318.20	314.25	317.85	316.15
Dec	317.50	321.50	317.50	321.10	319.45
Mar	321.85	324.00	320.50	323.85	322.20
Jun	327.00	328.00	324.00	327.65	326.00

Today's estimated volume: 59,563 contracts.
Open interest: 167,790 up 3,384

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	173.30	174.90	173.20	174.80	174.10
Dec	174.30	176.45	174.30	176.25	175.40
Mar	176.00	177.50	176.00	177.70	176.85

Open interest: 7,320 up 247

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	523.00	527.90	520.90	527.10	524.15
Oct	525.15	529.75	523.00	529.20	526.30

Estimated volume 3,177 contracts.
Open interest: 8,176 up 140

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Intermark Inc	443,100	3	unch	
Salomon wtJn	351,100	17 3/4	up	3/4

ENSCO	336,200	3 3/4	up	1/8
Fruit of Loom	301,900	9 3/8	off	5/8
BAT Indus	294,200	10 1-16	up	1-16
Amer Expl	271,900	4 3/8	up	1/8
Dow Chemical rt	269,900	7	up	1/8
Bankers Trst wt	244,600	48 3/8	up	1 7/8
Salomon Phibro	233,700	4	unch	
Hillhaven Cp	228,400	1 1/2	unch	

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austral	.000174	.000174	5742.00	5742.00
Australia dlr	.8386	.8252	1.1925	1.2118
Austria schill	.0914	.0908	10.94	11.01
Belgium franc-c	.0313	.0312	31.93	32.08
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0137	.0137	73.03	72.93
Britain pound	1.9135	1.8975	.5226	.5270
Britain 1-mo	1.9029	1.8871	.5255	.5299
Britain 3-mo	1.8828	1.8761	.5311	.5330
Britain 6-mo	1.8549	1.8392	.5391	.5437
Canada dollar	.8621	.8598	1.1600	1.1630
Canada 1-mo	.8588	.8567	1.1644	1.1673
Canada 3-mo	.8529	.8535	1.1725	1.1717
Canada 6-mo	.8466	.8443	1.1812	1.1844
Chile peso-f	.003374	.003352	296.38	298.30
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001924	.001926	519.70	519.25
Denmark krne	.1685	.1675	5.9350	5.9690
Ecudr sucre-z	.001161	.001148	861.30	871.20
Egypt pound	.3687	.3701	2.7121	2.7022
Finlnd mrkka	.2726	.2715	3.6690	3.6830
France franc	.1927	.1906	5.1890	5.2455
France 1-mo	.1924	.1904	5.1967	5.2532
France 3-mo	.1923	.1896	5.2015	5.2732
France 6-mo	.1905	.1885	5.2480	5.3045
Greece drach	.006897	.006700	145.00	149.25
Hollnd guildr	.5727	.5664	1.7461	1.7655
HongKong dlr	.1289	.1288	7.7585	7.7647
India rupee	.0563	.0565	17.77	17.71

Indo'sa rupia	.000540	.000539	1852.00	1854.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7302	1.7195	0.5780	0.5816
Israel shekel	.4926	.4926	2.0300	2.0300
Italy lira	.000862	.000855	1160.50	1169.00
Japan yen	.007314	.007307	136.72	136.85
Japan 1-mo	.007320	.007313	136.62	136.75
Japan 3-mo	.007336	.007334	136.32	136.35
Japan 6-mo	.007341	.007462	136.22	134.01
Jordan dinar	1.5375	1.5352	.6504	.6514
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000348	.000348	2873.00	2875.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6250	.6265	1.6000	1.5962
Norway krne	.1663	.1654	6.0120	6.0450
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	428,475	432,550
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escud	.007309	.007234	136.81	138.23
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5675	.5650	1.7622	1.7700
S.Africa rand	.3915	.3903	2.5540	2.5620
S.Korea won	.001412	.001446	708.35	691.57
Spain peseta	.010225	.010194	97.80	98.10
Sweden krona	.1750	.1745	5.7140	5.7300
Switzrl franc	.7772	.7752	1.2867	1.2900
Switzrl 1-mo	.7775	.7754	1.2861	1.2896
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7775	.7753	1.2862	1.2899
Switzrl 6-mo	.7767	.7751	1.2875	1.2902
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.89	26.90
Turkey lira	.000372	.000370	2687.00	2700.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2732	3.6633	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0208	.0208	48.02	48.02
W.Ger Mark	.6450	.6386	1.5504	1.5660
W.Ger 1-mo	.6450	.6385	1.5505	1.5661
W.Ger 3-mo	.6445	.6384	1.5515	1.5664
W.Ger 6-mo	.6433	.6381	1.5546	1.5671
Yugosl dinar	.0937	.0929	10.67	10.76

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	374.11	off	0.31	381.73	466.89
Industrial	400.78	off	0.19	407.55	452.47
Finance	372.44	off	0.01	382.44	557.05
Insurance	436.41	up	1.12	445.33	530.92
Utility	498.81	off	2.59	513.58	736.11
Bank	274.01	off	1.02	284.98	484.60
Transport	412.08	off	0.34	417.03	462.89

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 163.75 off 0.14

Industrial Index 158.21 off 0.08

NASDAQ-100 Index 379.21 off 0.17

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	321.71	up 0.26
High Technology	316.78	up 0.61
Capital Goods	343.07	off 2.18
Consumer Goods	383.75	off 1.26
Service	717.54	off 6.81
Retail	996.39	up 0.40
Financial	373.01	off 0.03
Natural Resources	248.14	up 1.95
Housing-Const-Land	338.31	up 0.22

There was a gain of 1 cent in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	410.11	off 1.21
Mid Atlantic	413.44	off 2.50
No Central	426.79	off 2.23
So Atlantic	926.57	off 1.88
So Central	315.16	up 1.62
Mountain	113.87	up 0.26
Pacific	375.28	up 1.85
Foreign	243.21	up 1.38

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Cons Edison pfB	270	off 50
Berkshire Hth	6210	off 15
NYS pf	77 1/2	off 12 1/2
Atl Rich pf C	339 7/8	up 6 1/4
CBS Inc	164 1/4	off 3 1/4
US Surgical	56 1/2	up 2 5/8
Kyocera Corp	99 1/4	off 2 1/2
Monarch Cap pf	34	off 2 1/2
Matsushita El	124	off 2 1/2
PS Group	36 1/4	up 2 1/4
Imperial Chem	64 3/8	up 2 1/4

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	94,017,800
Advances	776
Declines	1,022
Unchanged	2,453
Total	4,251

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	20	10	11
New lows	149	11	76

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	676	49,913,400
Declines	762	46,386,000
Unchanged	501	14,300,600
Total	1,939	110,600,000

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	8
New lows	44

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	215	4,593,300
Declines	284	2,921,500
Unchanged	241	2,295,200
Total	740	9,810,000

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	174.62	173.67	174.62	up 0.47
Industrial	218.79	217.51	218.79	up 0.73
Transport	137.53	136.57	137.53	up 0.27
Utility	83.21	82.76	83.21	up 0.25
Finance	120.33	120.06	120.33	off 0.32

Equivalent to a gain of 8 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 110,600,000 shares.

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TORONTO (SEPT. 17) UPI - Ford Motor Co. of Canada Ltd. said Monday it is preparing a second monetary offer for almost 13,000 striking Canadian autoworkers, but the nine struck plants were expected to remain closed at least until the weekend.

Ford's chief negotiator Don McKenzie told reporters, ''We are in the process of developing a second economic offer.'' He said he hoped to present it to the union Tuesday.

But McKenzie said, ''We're still a fair distance apart.'' He added, ''I think that if there isn't progress over the next couple of days, then obviously we've got a major problem.''

CAW president Bob White reacted cautiously to the promise of a second offer, saying the union was awaiting the new proposal ''with great anticipation''.

White also said, ''If tomorrow's proposal does not start to reach seriously

towards us in the areas we are apart on, there will not be much point in continuing.

''The earliest that we could talk about ratifying any agreement would be this weekend,'' White said. ''We are not talking about any return to work this week.''

The striking auto workers began manning pickets lines at nine Ford plants at midnight Friday after negotiators failed to agree on a new contract.

Ford Canada operations affected by the strike include car and truck assembly plants in Oakville, engine and castings plants in Windsor, a glass facility in Niagara Falls, an electronics plant in Markham and a parts depot in Bramalea.

A prolonged walkout at Ford Canada's facilities could affect Ford's U.S. operations within two weeks. Hardest hit may be Ford assembly plants in Michigan, Chicago and Atlanta that depend on V6 engines made at Ford's Windsor plant for cars like the Taurus, Sable and Continental.

A settlement reached early Monday between the United Auto Workers and General Motors Corp. wasn't expected to have much of an impact on the Canadian talks, both company and union officials said.

Ford Canada spokesman Jim Hartford said, ''This is a Ford of Canada circumstance. It's a Canadian union. And we're trying to negotiate a 'made in Canada' agreement.''

White said, ''We won't be following or copying or try to jump over anything the UAW has done.''

''We have no intention of reframing our demands based on whatever the U.S. settlement is and the Ford Motor Co. had better not try to reframe their proposals on that settlement,'' White added.

The CAW's agenda in the talks has focused on security against contracting work out and against technological changes, income security, better protection against plant closings and shorter work time.

White said after the union receives the second offer, ''we'll have a good sense of whether or not Ford is serious.''

Last Wednesday, the CAW rejected Ford's first monetary offer. White called it ''totally unacceptable.''

Ford's first offer dealt with wages, income security, cost-of-living allowance and vacation time. No exact details were available.

The CAW, which broke away from the United Auto Workers during the mid-1980s,

also represents 36,500 General Motors Canada workers and 11, 300 Chrysler Canada workers at various assembly and parts plants in Ontario and Quebec.

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#90260u1944 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	374.78	372.67	374.11	off 0.31
Industrial	401.83	399.09	400.78	off 0.19
Finance	372.69	370.84	372.44	off 0.01
Insurance	436.58	433.28	436.41	up 1.12
Utility	502.21	497.98	498.81	off 2.59
Bank	275.81	273.75	274.01	off 1.02
Transport	414.15	409.60	412.08	off 0.34

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-23) 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	163.75 off 0.14
Industrial Index	158.21 off 0.08
NASDAQ-100 Index	379.21 up 0.17
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.55 off 0.02
Volume	73,817,304 shares
Advances	645
Declines	835
Unchanged	1,335
Total	2,815

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#90260u1954 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	376.18	372.71	375.83	up 1.23
20 Trans	225.55	223.16	225.55	up 0.85
40 Utils	130.51	129.23	130.35	up 0.45
40 Fncl	22.93	22.79	22.90	off 0.03
500 Stocks	318.05	315.21	317.77	up 0.94

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#90260u1958 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - During a news conference today, President Bush brushed aside the significance of Iraqi demonstrations against his video-taped message broadcast yesterday. Bush said he believes his warning that President Saddam Hussein had driven Iraq to the brink of war would help end the crisis. Bush said- ''the truth is a good thing to put into Iraq.''

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney says he'll recommend that President Bush nominate General Merrill McPeak to replace Michael Dugan as the Air Force chief of staff. Cheney fired Dugan today for discussing U-S bombing plans in the Persian Gulf. Dugan released a statement through the Air Force today saying he sincerely regrets any embarrassment that his personal views caused the administration.

Today's long-awaited and crucial fueling of the shuttle Columbia was delayed by bad weather. But NASA launch director Robert Sieck finally gave permission to begin the crucial operation, about one hour behind schedule. NASA officials hope that a new fuel line fitting, three new hydrogen pumps and a new seal will end Columbia's fuel-leak problems. The shuttle is scheduled for blast-off early Tuesday.

The United Auto Workers union's 400-member G-M Bargaining Council will meet again tomorrow to consider a tentative three-year deal reached today between the union and General Motors. The council gathered for five minutes today, but had to adjourn because the members did NOT have copies of the agreement. The pact offers gains in job security and pensions for 310-thousand G-M workers.

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#90260u1963 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Monday	375.83	225.55	130.35	22.90	317.77
Friday	374.60	224.70	129.90	22.93	316.83
Week ago	380.57	230.66	128.93	23.92	321.63
Month ago	387.73	235.27	133.72	24.48	328.51
Year ago	396.18	312.36	141.58	33.13	346.73
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	362.23	220.36	124.60	22.87	307.06

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago

Federal funds rate	7.89	7.93	8.96
91-day Treasury bills	7.61	7.61	7.62
182-day Treasury bills	7.68	7.64	7.67
1-year Treasury bills	7.74	7.72	7.54
3-year Treasury notes	8.20	8.24	8.08
7-year Treasury notes	8.77	8.75	8.10
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	9.07	9.02	8.10
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.40	9.37	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.05	10.03	9.09
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.24	9.20	9.07
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.56	9.50	9.09
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.54	9.52	9.28
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.52	9.51	9.25

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90260u1998 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - Current evidence does not support claims of dramatic success made for the unconventional cancer treatments used by thousands of stricken Americans, a congressional report said Monday.

In the first comprehensive look at alternative cancer therapies, which range from psychological tactics to coffee enemas to drinking hydrogen peroxide, the Office of Technology Asssessment concluded the successes claimed for such approaches ''are far more extravagant'' than available evidence shows. However the report acknowledged there have been ''some encouraging results'' in the psychological area.

Each year, a ''visible minority'' of U.S. cancer patients, probably numbering in the ''thousands,'' resort to unconventional treatments, defined as therapies that fall outside the bounds of mainstream medicine, the OTA said.

People who resort to such therapies represent a wide cross-section of America, not just a few poortly educated, gullible individuals, as some medical professionals have claimed, the report said.

OTA investigators said they found ''many or most patients using unconventional treatments have run the course of available mainstream treatments either before trying them or along with them.''

The attractiveness of unconventional treatments appears to stem partly from the inadequacy and discomfort of current conventional treatments, such as radiation therapy or chemotherapy, as well as from ''too frequent inattention of mainstream medical practice to issues relating to patients' quality of life '' the 312-page report said.

Cost of unconventional cancer therapy varies widely, but most clinics charge between $5,000 and $40,000 for an average treatment regimen, it said. Insurance generally does not pay for such treatment.

Rep. John Dingell, D-Ohio, chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee that requested the report, said he considers the effort to be well balanced.

''No promising treatment for dread diseases can be dismissed before proper evaluation. But the fact that some treatments may help is no excuse for treatments that are at best outright quackery and at worst, actively harmful to patients,'' Dingell said.

Among the best known treatments examined by the congressional investigators were laetrile, vitamin C, the Gerson and Kelley dietary plans, the macrobiotic diet, Revici's ''biologically guided chemotherapy,'' anti-neoplastons, and the Livingston-Wheeler treatment.

One approach, called Immuno-Augmentative Therapy, received special attention at the request of 42 members of Congress who had been contacted by the treatment's developer, Lawrence Burton. Burton, who runs clinics in Mexico, West Germany and the Grand Bahamas, intially agreed to allow the OTA to set up a research plan to determine if the immune therapy was helpful, but later rejected the proposal.

The report called on the National Cancer Institute to seek out more information on a wide range of unconventional treatments, possibly providing money for further scientific evaluations of such therapies and also setting up registries to record reports of serious side effects or documented tumor regression following unconventional treatment.

Cancer institute officials had no comment on the report Monday, saying they had not reviewed it.

Dingell said the federal government should reassess its generally antagonistic stance towards alternate cancer treatments. He noted the OTA found some approaches can have ''physiological and psychological benefits which should not be ignored by physicians.''

In May, Project Cure, a lobbying group for unconventional medical treatments, released a poll showing half of all Americans thinks clinics offering unproven cancer treatments should be allowed to operate even if opposed by medical

experts. Michael Evers, president of Project Cure, could not be reached for comment Monday.

The American Cancer Society estimates about 1 million people nationwide will be diagnosed this year as having cancer, and about 30 percent of Americans now living will eventually develop cancer. About 40 percent of people who develop cancer today will be alive five years from now - up from about 20 percent in the 1930s and 33 percent in the 1960s, the society said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.27	9.94
Anchor Fund Inv	14.41	15.29
Delaware Mutual	16.80	18.02
Fidelity Fund	16.55	16.55
Investors Mutual	10.82	11.39
Investors Stocks	18.10	19.05
Investors Select	8.23	8.66
IDS Equity Plus	8.91	9.38
Mass Inv Growth	8.15	8.79
Nicholas Fund	3.28	3.28
United Accumulated	6.30	6.89
United Income	16.65	18.20
Vanguard Wellington	15.94	15.94

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#90260u2064 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 445.31, up 0.08 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90260u2066 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - Another fuel leak is plaguing the shuttle Columbia and America's space program. Columbia's planned Tuesday morning launch was canceled today because of the crippling leak. Sensors in the spacecraft's engine compartment detected the problem only three minutes into the high-speed loading process. Columbia's 10-day astronomy mission is already 111 days late.

President Bush had little to say about today's firing of Air Force Chief of Staff Michael Dugan... except that he strongly supports the secretary of defense. Defense chief Cheney fired Dugan for what Cheney said was ''poor

judgment'' in discussing U-S bombing plans in the Persian Gulf. Cheney would NOT discuss the accuracy of Dugan's remarks... citing a Pentagon policy of NOT disclosing possible military action.

Capitol hill lawmakers today O-K'd legislation that would allow U-S forces in the Persian Gulf to send mail home free. The congressional action follows last week's action by the postmaster general to provide the armed forces free delivery. Congress decided upon today's measure in order to show its support of troops taking part in Operation Desert Shield.

Authorities in Bay City, Michigan, say a raging fire aboard a tanker on the Saginaw River is under control and nearly extinguished. Firefighters today used chemical foam to battle the flames on the M-V Jupiter. Yesterday's fire and explosion injured 11 crew members and apparently killed a 12th. Officials say environmental damage from the incident involving the gasoline-laden tanker may be minimal.

There will be NO re-trial for Washington, D-C., Mayor Marion Barry. Federal prosecutors today said they would NOT re-try Barry on the 12 charges that led to a mistrial in his drug and perjury case. Barry expressed relief after hearing of the announcement... but declined further comment. Sentencing on the one cocaine possession charge on which Barry was convicted is set for October 26th.

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#90260u2096 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (SEPT. 17) UPI - General Development Corp. said Monday it is seeking bankruptcy court approval to offer homesite buyers discounts of up to 25 percent to encourage them to continue making payments on their contracts.

The company, which has been operating under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection since April, said it submitted its homesite purchaser assurance program Friday to the U.S. bankruptcy court in Miami.

Although the plan was announced previously, the filing included new details on the incentives the company hopes to offer, spokeswoman Nelly Medel said.

''The main thrust of the program is the assurance that all customers who have a contract to purchase a lot ... will receive title to an improved lot once they finish their payments,'' President Thomas Hutchison said in a statement.

General Development estimated the value of those outstanding contracts at $1 billion. About 86,200 people bought land from General Development but have yet to receive a deed to their property.

In July, only about 28 percent of the money owed under the contracts was paid, Medel said. At that collection rate, the company estimates only $280.3 million

of the $1 billion owed will be paid.

Of that amount, General Development would get about $126.2 million, she said.

If discounts are offered, however, the company estimates payments would climb to $476.2 million, of which $279.8 million would go to General Development.

Medel said that amount would be enough to cover company costs for delivering developed lots and deeds to its customers.

General Development said it devised the plan after research showed that 40 percent of purchasers would be willing to continue payments if they were assured a deed. An additional 22 percent said they would be willing to continue payments if they were offered some discount.

Under the plan, people who purchased lots in one of the company's nine Florida communities would be offered discounts on the original price of between 5 percent and 25 percent, or up to 30 percent of the remaining principal, General Development said.

Buyers who hold contracts for lots in unimproved portions of the communities will be offered lots in improved areas, the company said. General Development said the swap could save it up to $211 million in development costs.

General Development filed for bankruptcy shortly after the company and its two chief executives were indicted on felony fraud charges in Miami.

Prosecutors contend General Development billed customers by inflating the value of the homes it sold in its communities.

The company agreed to plead guilty to a conspiracy charge in a plea bargain with prosecutors, but a federal judge later tossed out the agreement, saying it was too lenient. The case is scheduled for trial in January.

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#90260u2102 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - U.S. crude oil zoomed to record price levels Monday amid reports the Soviet Union was cutting back deliveries to the West and on continued concern over the situation in the Middle East.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery ended the day up $1.87 over Friday to $33.63 a barrel, after having breached the Merc's record $32.35 trading price of Aug. 2, 1983. It had previously equaled the record this past Aug. 23.

WTI - which opened at $32.80 a barrel on the Merc and traded as high as $33.80 a barrel during the day - has now risen 56.1 percent from the $21.54-a-barrel

level on Aug. 1, the day before Iraq invaded oil-rich Kuwait.

Radnor, Pa.-based Sun Co. also raised its posted price for crude at the wellhead to an eight-year high for WTI of $32.25 a barrel. The last time Sun paid this much for WTI was Dec. 8, 1982, a spokeswoman said. The Sun increase worked out to $1.75 a barrel for WTI and $1.50 for other crudes, she said.

Mary Haskins of PaineWebber Inc. in New York said she had been told the Soviets had denied reports of ordering a maintenance shutdown of the 1 million-barrel-a-day Urals pipeline, but one trading company had told her ''the terms of its contract'' with the Soviets had been cut.

PaineWebber's Michael McDermott said that he has been informed by reliable oil industry sources that some big oil companies were out buying North Sea Brent crude to make up for the loss of Soviet oil and that this drove up the price of Brent crude.

''It was the European strength, and that had a carryover effect into the United States,'' McDermott said.

There has been no Soviet confirmation of delivery problems to Western Europe.

''Why they have a problem I don't know for sure, but it appears they have a problem,'' the trader said.

He said the Soviet problem has placed added stress on a world oil market already strung tight by the Persian Gulf crisis triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo of the two nations.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent shot up $2.90 to $36.30 a barrel. The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light, the key Middle East crude shipped mainly to the Far East, was up $1.95 to $29.55 a barrel.

Kristofer Maro, the Stamford, Conn.-based U.S. representative of Norway's state-owned Statoil Group, a main producer of Brent, said he knew of no Soviet pipeline problems.

''We know, in general, the Russians are falling behind in their commitments.... There is an increasing market for North Sea crude going beyond my expectations right now,'' he noted.

Maro said Statoil had recently delivered cargoes to Poland, which has traditionally relied on the Soviets to meet its oil needs.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, WTI for prompt delivery rose $1.90 over Friday's close to $33.65 a barrel.

Unleaded gasoline for October delivery ended the day on the Merc up 1.31 cents at 91.67 cents a gallon, while home heating oil was up 2.52 cents to 85.31 cents a gallon.

The report that the Soviets' Urals pipeline would be down for up to two months for maintenance was circulating among a few traders late Friday.

But it apparently was not widely known enough to affect Friday's market, in which WTI rose 69 cents on the Merc.

On the Middle East situation, the 12-nation European Community said it will expel all Iraqi military attaches in EC capitals in retaliation for Baghdad's raids on embassies in occupied Kuwait, and the Pentagon fired the Air Force's top general for saying Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would be in U.S. bombsights if war erupts in the Persian Gulf.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - There has been NO confirmation from budget negotiators regarding a published report that Republicans and Democrats may be nearing an agreement on a deficit-reduction plan. The report said the G-O-P and the White House have agreed to limit the amount of federal tax deductions that wealthy Americans could take. Democrats had demanded the action in return for capital gains tax cuts.

Talks are set to begin tomorrow between U-S and Philippine officials on the status of American armed forces in the southeast Asian country. One Bush administration official says Washington NO longer sees the Philippine bases as ''vital'' to U-S interests. State Department spokesman Richard Boucher says the U-S position is to seek continued access to currently used military facilities.

A congressional report made public today concludes that UNconventional cancer treatments usually provide little more than psychological comfort for patients. The survey by the Office of Technology Assessment surmised that treatments ranging from coffee enemas to drinking hydrogen peroxide did NOT result in dramatic successes. The report also concluded alternative treatments are sought partly because of the inadequacy of conventional treatments.

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#90260u2110 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

WOODSTOCK, N.Y. (SEPT. 17) UPI - Funeral services were held Monday for an American businessman who died of a heart attack while being held hostage in Iraq.

James Worthington Jr., 53, was serving as a consultant to Alahi Bank of Kuwait

when he was captured by Iraqis and transported to Basra, Iraq, where he died Aug. 27. Iraqi officials said the cause of death was a heart attack.

His body was returned to the United States on Thursday. The private funeral took place at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church in Woodstock.

Some 60 friends and family members attended the funeral services, which included a mixture of religious hymns and patriotic music.

Worthington's flag-draped coffin was buried at a local cemetery.

Rev. David Arnold, a rector at the church, called the funeral service ''a celebration of (Worthington's) life.''

''(The service) has done away with gloom and doom,'' said Arnold.

Worthington ''was recognized by his country in his death, not as a member of the armed forces, but as a servant of the government,'' Arnold said.

Arnold, a longtime resident of Woodstock, had worked for Citibank for 28 years when he left in 1988 to work for the Kuwaiti bank.

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#90260u2140 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 17) UPI - The shuttle is grounded... a general gets fired... and another day of questions for David Souter. Those stories and more, next from U-P-I. .

The European Community today announced its response to Iraq's invasion last week of several foreign embassies in occupied Kuwait.

The 12-member E-C says it will expel all Iraqi military attaches in retaliation for the raids. E-C ministers meeting in Brussels, Belgium, agreed to the response which also calls for restricting the movement of other Iraqi diplomats in Europe.

The ministers delayed a decision on providing financial aid to Middle East countries hit hardest by U-N sanctions against Iraq.

Britain and Belgium adopted the measures today... following the weekend lead of France and Italy. The other E-C member nations were expected to quickly follow.

The flow of refugees into Saudi Arabia today through a recently opened border with occupied Kuwait was slowed as officials painstakingly screened the refugees to halt Iraqi infiltrators.

Oil industry officials in Cyprus say an Iraqi plan to secure food and medicine fell through today. Iraq had offered oil to Iran in exchange for the scarce goods.

Defense Secretary Cheney says today's firing of Air Force Chief of Staff Michael Dugin was difficult but necessary.

Dugin was released from the position he held since July because of comments he made during the weekend regarding potential military targets in the Persian Gulf.

In comments published Sunday, Dugin advocated a massive air strike against Iraq if hostilities erupt in the Middle East. In his words... ''This would NOT be a nibbling at the edges. If I want to hurt you, it would be at home.''

Cheney said he discussed the comments with President Bush and senior Pentagon officials before making his decision. Dugin was dismissed this morning after speaking with Cheney.

Cheney told a Pentagon news conference that the highly decorated Vietnam veteran Dugin had been relieved of his duties because he had shown ''poor judgment'' in making comments about a delicate U-S security policy.

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#90260u2144 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney assured Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens Monday that the United States will ''maintain Israel's qualitative military edge'' despite new arms sales to Arab countries.

Arens met with Cheney for an hour at the Pentagon to discuss American arm sales to Arab nations and a possible increase in the annual $1.8 billion in U.S. military aid to Israel - the largest amount given any nation.

Cheney and Arens ''discussed in general terms Israel's special security needs '' the Pentagon said in a statement. ''The secretary reiterated the U.S. commitment to maintain Israel's qualitative military edge.''

It was not known if Cheney agreed to recommend an increase in military aid for Israel.

Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy and the director-general of the Israeli Defense Ministry, David Ivry, have sought an increase in U.S. military aid during recent meetings with officials in Washington.

Israeli officials are hoping the United States at least will allow them to stretch the $1.8 billion in annual aid by providing the money in one lump sum on the first day of the fiscal year, allowing them to bank the money and reap

millions in interest.

At the same time, Israeli officials are concerned about major new U.S. arms sales to Arab countries in the wake of the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the deployment of more than 150,000 U.S. military personnel to Saudi Arabia and elsewhere around the Persian Gulf.

The Pentagon plans to recommend a $20 billion arms package for Saudi Arabia that would include F-15 fighters, about 385 M-1A2 Abrams battle tanks with advanced armor, 48 Apache anti-tank helicopters and 26 Patriot ground-to-air missiles.

A separate arms package including F-15 fighters and battle tanks estimated at $2.2 billion was offered to the Saudis last month.

In addition, Bush asked Congress to forgive Egypt's $7.1 billion U.S. military aid debt in response to Cairo's support for the American military buildup in Saudi Arabia and its willingness to send troops to fight alongside American soldiers.

Cheney noted that international unity, including Arab countries, was crucial to containing Iraq's aggression, the Pentagon said, and he ''expressed his appreciation (to Arens) for Israel's low-profile posture'' so as not to upset Arab nations supporting the United States in the crisis.

Arens was to meet Tuesday with Vice President Dan Quayle.

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#90260u2152 09/17/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 17) UPI - There is NO word from NASA if it will try to launch the shuttle Columbia before Wednesday. The vessel had been slated to lift off early tomorrow, but the launch was scrubbed this evening when sensors in the shuttle's engine room detected higher-than-allowable concentrations of explosive hydrogen gas.

The news is yet another in a continuing series of setbacks for the shuttle program. Columbia has tried UNsuccessfully five times to launch since its original May 30th launch date. Leaks in the oft-delayed craft's fuel lines have been responsible for keeping ground-bound.

Engineers are trying to assess if the latest problem can be resolved in the near term. It has been reported that Columbia will be grounded until at least mid-October if it does NOT lift off by Wednesday. The delay would be caused by a scheduled launch of an Air Force Titan-4 rocket later this week and the slated lift off of the shuttle Discovery around October 8th.

Supreme Court nominee David Souter appears closer to winning approval from the

Senate Judiciary Committee following a third day of questioning today... his birthday.

Today's session began with a birthday greeting for the 51-year-old New Hampshire jurist and then turned right back to the touchy subject of abortion.

Souter again refused to answer questions relating to his personal view on abortion... saying it would be inappropriate because he may have to rule on an abortion challenge if he's confirmed.

But he did speak on other issues... saying he doesN'T agree that the death penalty in all cases is ''cruel and unusual punishment.'' Souter also defended his views about court activism on social issues.

Iowa Republican Charles Grassley said Souter's views on the issue came- in his words- ''dangerously close to acting like a politician'' rather than a judge.

Souter retorted that there was a fine line between judicial restraint and activism, but the last he would want was to be taken for a politician.

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#90260u2167 09/17/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (SEPT. 17) UPI - Israel predicted Monday that 1 million Soviet Jews would arrive by the end of 1992, and one immigration official said the wave would turn the nation into a spiritual, cultural and technological center that would beckon more newcomers from other countries.

''We are now at the beginning of the salvation ... at the beginning of the end of the diaspora,'' said Simcha Dinitz, chairman of the quasi- governmental Jewish Agency involved in promoting immigration to Israel.

Since the start of 1990, an estimated 100,000 Jews have moved to Israel, with more than 92,000 of those from the Soviet Union. In the past, Palestinians have attacked Soviet Jewish immigration to Israel, calling the wave a threat to Palestinian national existence.

But Faisal Husseini, a leading East Jerusalem Palestinian, said the problem was not so much the number of Soviet Jewish immigrants but whether they would displace Palestinians either within Israel's pre-1967 borders or in the Israeli-occupied territories.

''The problem is not how many immigrants will reach this land. The problem is under what condition and where,'' Husseini said, reacting to the prediction of 1 million Soviet Jews by the end of 1992.

''Until now there are more than 120 Palestinian villages which are not recognized by the Israelis. There are thousands of Palestinians who are

waiting for a license to build their houses and they have no right to do so,'' Husseini said.

An estimated 700 to 1,000 Soviet Jews arrive in Israel on an average of three flights a day, Israel Radio reported. A total of 200,000 Soviet Jews are expected to arrive by the end of 1990, immigration officials said.

''We are getting great numbers of new immigrants, new citizens,'' Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir told reporters after greeting 190 Soviet Jews who arrived at Ben-Gurion Airport late Monday. ''This is the greatest force imaginable. It is even more important than weapons.''

The prediction of 1 million Soviet Jews by the end of 1992 comes from assessments on the number of Soviet Jews who have received official applications to join relatives, the number of exit permits granted and other material. In addition to the 200,000 predicted for 1990, Israeli immigration officials forecasts a total of 800,000 Soviet Jews will arrive in 1991 and 1992.

Earlier, immigration officials had predicted 1 million Jews in five years, instead of the three-year period now forecast.

''I believe that after the entire Jewry of the Soviet Union has emigrated, which will be in coming years, after that there will be a mass immigration from Latin America, afterwards from Europe and other countries, and towards the end of the century from the United States,'' Dinitz said.

''Because this aliyah (Hebrew for immigration) and other aliyahs will turn Israel into the spiritual, cultural, technological, scientific, educational center to such (an) extent that also the world Jewry living presently in the free world will see Israel as the magnet,'' Dinitz said.

Shamir told the new immigrants he met Monday that he knew they were worried about finding their way in their new country but ''the government of Israel and all its institutions care for you.''

Dinitz said a special committee had been established by the Jewish Agency and Jewish communities worldwide to secure money and other assistance to help Israel cope with new immigrants. Israel's Cabinet also recently agreed on an economic program it hopes will spur growth and help absorb the hundreds of thousands of new immigrants.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - Members of the European Community voted today to expel all Iraqi military attaches from their capitals. The E-C also voted to reconsider the amount of its aid to Middle Eastern countries following Japan's pledge of

aid.

Israeli President Chaim Herzog today praised U-S President Bush for his leadership in handling the Persian Gulf crisis. In Jerusalem on the eve of the Jewish New Year... the Egyptian ambassador to Israel joined Herzog in hoping for peace in the area.

Yet another fuel leak ended the shuttle Columbia's countdown today. Columbia had been set to blast off tomorrow.. but the hydrogen leak surfaced just three minutes after fueling began.

The U-S Marines today evacuated more Liberians from their war-torn country. The refugees say people are starving to death in the streets. Few Liberians can pay the 300-dollar U-S evacuation fee.

Lech Walesa announced today he will run for president of Poland. The announcement comes just before a meeting to reconcile Walesa with his political opponent... Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - The Salvation Army plans a court fight over a U-S Labor Department demand that it pay minimum wage to recovering substance abusers at its shelters. The charity says it canNOT afford to pay that much to workers at its thrift shops.

New Orleans teachers went on strike today over salary and benefits. The school board says it has NO more money... and is trying to keep classes running with administrators, NON-union teachers and substitutes.

West Germany said today that a united Germany will increase its contribution to Eastern Europe and the Third World by using money once used for the Cold War. The West German president made the announcement in Ottawa during a tour of Canada.

A business group in Panama City today said it plans to sue the U-S government for losses suffered by Panamanian businesses during the U-S invasion last December. Millions of dollars were lost to looting following the invasion.

Researchers at the University of Texas at Austin said today they have developed a written test that can detect depression in school-age children 75 percent of the time. The test is based largely on each child's self-esteem.

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JERUSALEM (SEPT. 17) UPI - President Chaim Herzog Monday praised U.S.

President Bush for his leadership in handling the Persian Gulf crisis and said the new cooperation between the superpowers gives Israel hope for a solution.

''We all hail the inspired leadership of President Bush and the United States of America in this crisis,'' Herzog told diplomats during an annual gathering before the upcoming Jewish New Year, which begins Wednesday night.

''All of us, I am certain, find a measure of consolation and optimism in the understanding reached by the superpowers and in the involvement under the United Nations of so many nations,'' Herzog said.

Israel has maintained a low profile during the Gulf crisis while supporting U.N. decisions condemning the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and sanctioning an economic boycott against the country led by Saddam Hussein.

''Above all, together with much of the world, and with special sensitivity, we face the terrifying developments in and around the Gulf and the implications for world order, implications of violence and immorality,'' Herzog said.

In wishing the diplomats a good year, Herzog said he hoped a solution would be found to the crisis and there would be a ''return to peaceful development.'' Egyptian Ambassador to Israel Mohammed Bassiouny said he also hoped that after resolving the Gulf crisis, ''we can start to quickly achieve the comprehensive peace in (the) area so that we may live together in peace and friendship.''

Egypt is the only Arab nation to have signed a peace treaty with Israel.

Yossi Olmert, director of Israel's Government Press Office, said Monday one of the ''tragic results'' of the Gulf crisis was that the Middle East was entering into a ''dizzying arms race.''

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HALIFAX, Nova Scotia (SEPT. 17) UPI - A discarded orange tarpaulin was mistaken for a life raft by a search team scouring the northern Atlantic ocean for a Boeing 727 with 16 aboard that ditched last week, an army official said Monday.

Capt. Robert Curran, of the Rescue Coordination Centre, said officials were heartened Sunday night when a rescue team spotted what they believed was an orange life raft from the plane.

However, a closer inspection Monday by a helicopter team showed it was merely more of the debris tossed overboard by ships plying Atlantic waters.

Curran said nine aircraft and five vessels continued the search Monday and there are no plans to downgrade the effort.

A downgrade could mean the active search would be discontinued aircraft and ships in the area would still be alerted to be on the lookout.

The search zone, about 210 miles southeast of Newfoundland, is about 10,000 square miles. Initially, it was 300,000 square miles.

The search zone was narrowed on the weekend when a Russian trawler crew spotted what it thought was the front half of the plane's fuselage Friday morning. Search teams have not managed to locate the debris.

The search effort has been hampered by high winds and waves, and poor visibility, although the weather was improving.

The missing Peruvian plane issued a mayday call Tuesday about 180 miles southeast of Cape Race, Newfoundland.

Officials had earlier said a decision to scale down the search would depend on weather conditions, the surface area already covered by ships and planes and the survivability of those on board.

The plane, owned by Faucett Airlines of Lima, Peru, a company established in 1928, was equipped with life boats, life vests and emergency locator transmitters.

The plane was on loan to Air Malta for the summer and had been painted white and red, the colors of the European airline, making it difficult to spot from the air.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Tire manufacturer Continental AG, in a statement released in New York, announced Monday that it had been offered the purchase of the tire manufacturing business of Italian company Pirelli SpA.

''The proposal is aimed at unifying into Continental the world tire activities of both companies,'' the Continental statement said. The Hanover, Germany, based company said Pirelli extended the acquisition offer Sept. 15. No price was mentioned.

The announcement suggested Pirelli, having failed in its 1988 hostile bid to take over U.S. tire maker Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., would like to exit the increasingly competitive international tire business.

Firestone eventually was taken over by Tokyo-based Bridgestone Corp., at the time the world's third-largest tire maker, for $2.65 billion.

''Continental and its advisors are reviewing the proposal to determine if (the acquisition of Pirelli) is in the interest of the corporation,'' said Continental, the world's fourth-largest tire company.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 17) UPI - Pan Am Corp. announced Monday an agreement was reached allowing the carrier to defer $53 million in payments to its pension plans.

The agreement with the Internal Revenue Service and the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. allows Pan Am to defer payments originally due Sept. 15.

Of the total of $53 million, $30 million now will be due Nov. 1, or earlier if certain asset sales occur in the meantime, the carrier said.

The balance of payments is due Feb. 28, 1991, Pan Am said.

Pan Am agreed to secure the amount outstanding with shares of the Pan Am Shuttle until the balance of the deferred amount is paid.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Standard & Poor's Corp., responding to Philadelphia's failure to find a market for $375 million in notes, Monday drastically downgraded an array of city bonds - knocking some to junk-bond grade.

S&P lowered the city's $1.3 billion worth of general obligation bonds to CCC, a rating that falls below investment grade.

The city's bonds were previously rated BBB- , the lowest investment grade for bonds.

Also lowered to junk-bond status were ratings on bonds issued by the city's redevelopment, parking and industrial development authorities, as were ratingson Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority bonds.

The city's water, sewer and airport revenue bonds also were downgraded along with two gas works issues.

The downgrades came in the wake of Philadelphia's failure last week to make a market for $375 million in short-term loan notes. The city also lost the support of Swiss Bank Corp., which had backed $50 million worth of the notes.

Facing chronic budget problems, Philadephia needs to raise the $375 million or

face insolvency in a matter of weeks, city officials have said.

S&P said that ''it is now evident that without access to the market, the city will not only be short of cash to meet routine day-to-day operations'' and thatPhiladelphia will be hard-pressed to meet its current debt service obligations as well.

Two other rating agencies, Moody's and Fitch's, downgraded the city's bonds last week for similar reasons.

Betsy Reveal, Philadelphia's finance director, said the S&P downgrades had been expected, but she called it ''unfortunate'' that the bonds were downgraded so far.

''I do not believe it accurately reflects what the city is prepared to do in terms of repaying bondholders,'' she said. ''We have never defaulted on a debt. ... We never will as long as I have anything to do with it.''

Reveal called on Pennsylvania to fund the city's social-service programs and transit system, and she said the state legislature should clear the way to allow Philadelphia to collect a city sales tax.

''State action has not been forthcoming,'' she said.

Philadelphia has been operating at a deficit since 1988.

There was no word from city officials on whether the bond sale, placed on hold last week after the Swiss bank backed out of the deal, will go off this week.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 17) UPI - Casino-hotel operator Caesars World Inc. said Monday that it has reached an agreement with a shareholder who had filed a petition with the New Jersey Casino Control Commission over the company's pending tender offer for outstanding shares of Caesars New Jersey Inc.

The shareholder had claimed in his petition that the $22-a-share offer was undervalued and the commission had scheduled a hearing on the matter for Wednesday.

Caesars World, which owns 86.6 percent of Caesars New Jersey shares, said the shareholder who had sought the hearing had agreed to an amendment of its previously announced settlement of shareholder suits over the tender offer.

Under that settlement, first announced on Aug. 21, the company has agreed to make an additional cash payment of 25 cents to Caesars New Jersey shareholders.

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(SEPT. 17) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney says he plans to nominate the commander of the Pacific Air Forces to replace Air Force Chief of Staff Michael Dugin. Dugin was fired today for naming potential military targets of U-S planes in Saudi Arabia. Dugin responded by stating that he regrets ''any embarrassment'' he may have caused. Dugin's intended replacement is General Merrill McPeak.

The House today took steps to avoid another multi-BILLION-dollar bailout for the banking and thrift industry. Lawmakers passed by a voice vote a measure to have banks pay higher premiums for the insurance fund that protects bank depositors. The bill would allow the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to raise the premiums to whatever level is needed to keep the insurance fund solvent.

Soviet President Gorbachev today proposed a referendum that could lead to scrapping the Soviet collective farm system. Gorbachev's proposal would let Soviet citizens decide whether land should be privately owned. The Soviet Union's 40-thousand collective and state farms have failed to feed the country. There's already a gradual privatization taking place as part of a radical economic market plan.

Legal proceedings began today in Redwood City, California, in the trial of Ramon Salcido. The public defender representing Salcido admitted his client killed seven people in April 1989. But the defense lawyer argued that the slayings... which included Salcido's wife and two young daughters... occurred as the 29-year-old man suffered from a ''psychotic depression.'' The prosecution countered by saying the killings were premeditated.

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MONTREAL (SEPT. 18) UPI - The majority of unionized paperworkers on strike at mills in eastern Canada remained off the job Monday after rejecting offers from Abibiti-Price Inc. and Canadian Pacific Forest Products Ltd.

Voting results from about 4,500 workers in 19 locals at nine Abibiti- Price mills in Ontario, Quebec and Newfoundland were tabulated during the weekend.

''The company's offer was overwhelmingly rejected by the majority of local unions,'' said John McInnes, the Canadian Paperworkers Union's chief negotiator.

Seven of the nine mills which were closed last Monday after pickets were set up voted against the offer. Workers at two mills in Quebec who never went out on strike voted to accept the offer.

McInnes said in a brief statement that the workers have sent ''a clear message'' to Abibiti-Price. ''Its employees are not prepared to sacrifice any of the benefits or working conditions they now enjoy,'' he added.

McInnes said the stumbling blocks in the negotiations continue to be company demands for the right to operate its mills on Labor Day and New Year's Day and the right to assign various tasks to its tradesmen.

''The general wage increase has been resolved and is not an issue,'' McInnes said.

Meanwhile, workers at Canadian Pacific Forest Products Ltd. also split on whether or not to accept the company's offer. About 1,800 union members in Quebec and New Brunswick, who went on strike last Wednesday, voted to reject the company's offer.

But workers at two other CP Forest Products mills voted to accept the company's offer. Those locals never set up pickets.

Talks between the paperworkers union and the companies broke down last week and set the stage for voting on both companies latest offers.

The union's executive board will meet Tuesday to decide what course of action to take, union spokesman Serge Lord said.

Lord downplayed the split among the union locals, saying paperworkers union president Don Holder told the locals in mid-July that the statutory holiday and trade flexibility issues were ''local issues.''

A settlement reached in early July between Stone-Consolidated Inc. and its 2,350 employees who belong to the paperworkers union was supposed to be the basis for agreements with other companies in eastern Canada.

Under that deal, workers' wages will increase 5.5 percent each year over three years. As a result, base salaries will increase from $13.06 an hour to $15.34 an hour over the course of the contract.

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REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (SEPT. 17) UPI - Computer software maker Oracle Corp., responding to its first-ever quarterly loss, laid off 400 people - about 10 percent of its domestic workforce - in a major reorganization Monday.

The company, which sells relational database software, said the cuts were madeto bring costs in line with lower growth expectations. Oracle also announced the resignation of its chief financial officer.

Oracle, once a darling of Wall Street, has been hurt, in part, by overly optimistic revenue projections and an industry-wide slowdown in software sales for minicomputers.

Since March 19, the company's stock has plunged from $28.125 a share to close Monday at $6.875 a share, off 62.5 cents. Oracle announced its layoffs and reorganization three hours after the close of the day's stock market trading.

Last week, Oracle said it would report a loss of about 20 cents a share for the first quarter ended Aug. 31. The company also reduced its revenue growth estimate for the current fiscal year to 25 percent, compared with 66 percent last year.

As part of its reorganization, Oracle said Chief Financial Officer Atam Lalchandani had been replaced by Jeffrey Walker, who was promoted to executive vice president and CFO.

Domestic field operations were consolidated under the leadership of Michael Fields, president of Oracle USA, and the number of sales managers were reduced Oracle said.

Until this year, Oracle charted a blazing path to the top ranks of the computer software industry. In the year ended May 31, the company reported revenue of $971 million, up from $584 million in the prior year.

Net income for the year rose 41 percent to $117.4 million, or 86 cents a share from $81.8 million, or 61 cents a share, in the prior year.

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ASUNCION, Paraguay (SEPT. 17) UPI - A single engine Cessna 290 loaded with 700 pounds of cocaine was found abondoned at a closed airstrip in northern Paraguay near the Bolivian border, a narcotics chief said Monday.

The cargo, likely processed and packaged by the Colombian Medellin cocaine cartel, was the largest ever seized in Paraguay, with an estimated market value in Asuncion of $2.2 billion, said the chief of the National Narcotics Direction, Sergio Julio Aldana.

''For the form of packaging, the color of the paper and the exactness of the weight, on first analysis (the shipment) probable came from the Medellin Cartel,'' Aldana told United Press International Monday.

Aldana said the Bolivian-registered plane landed Thursday, apparently because of technical problems, at a closed air strip that once belonged to the United Fruit Company, located 18 miles from the Bolivian border.

The plane was abandoned with the key in the ignition, Aldana said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 17) UPI - With approval from the Senate Judiciary Committee appearing likely, Supreme Court nominee David Souter spent his 51st birthday side-stepping more abortion questions Monday and defending his views about court activism on social issues.

The federal appeals court judge from New Hampshire, engaging in his third day of questioning, finished his testimony before the panel with a grueling 9 1/2 hour session.

Souter, nominated by President Bush to replace retiring liberal Justice William Brennan, again refused to answer questions relating to his personal views on abortion, having said such an answer would be inappropriate because of the likelihood he would have to rule on an abortion challenge if he is confirmed.

Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., asked Souter what would be the practical effect if the Supreme Court overturned the landmark 1973 Roe vs. Wade decision guaranteeing legal abortions.

''The issue would become a legislative judgment in every state,'' Souter said. ''I think that it's safe to say that those legislative judgments would not be uniform. There would be, I'd dare say, a considerable variety in scope of protection afforded or not afforded (for abortion).''

Souter also said a successful challenge to Roe vs. Wade would call into question several earlier Supreme Court rulings, such as a marital privacy case involving the right to use contraception that served as the underpinning of the abortion decision.

''Whatever the court does,'' Souter said later, ''someone's life, indeed thousands of lives, will be affected and that fact must be appreciated.''

The committee chairman, Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., opened Monday's session on a light note, telling Souter: ''We are convened today to celebrate Judge Souter's birthday. Happy birthday, judge.'' Biden added that Souter told him ''whether or not he had a happy birthday was up to me. And I told him, ''No, that occurs in about two or three weeks (with ''or three weeks (with

Sen. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., who was considered a potential swing vote entering the hearings, told Souter, ''I believe you will be confirmed.'' Several Republican committee members have expressed confidence the nominee will be endorsed by the committee, although Biden cautioned, ''Some of us

still haven't made up our minds'' and said he had ''gone from leaning against voting for to to leaning for voting for you to leaning against voting for you.''

Souter, the quiet jurist who remained unflappable through his three days before the committee, wrapped up his appearance by thanking Biden for his ''consummate fairness.'' Smiling broadly, after concluding his testimony, he shook hands with Biden and Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., who had posed the toughest questions to the nominee.

Earlier, several senators questioned Souter on statements he made Friday that a decision-making ''vacuum'' by the legislative and executive branches of government by necessity put divisive issues such as abortion on the agenda of the Supreme Court.

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., told Souter that view represents ''a very expansive interpretation'' of judicial authority that contributes toward making the Supreme Court a ''super legislature'' that steps beyond judicial bounds. The high court has been criticized by some for activism in recent decades.

Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, said Souter's view is ''dangerously close to acting like a politician'' rather than a judge, with Souter retorting, ''The last thing in the world I would want to be taken for is a politician.''

Souter said it is ''a darn tough line to draw'' between judicial restraint and activism. ''I wish I had a neat formula for it.''

Under questioning by Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, Souter said he made a mistake in 1977 when serving as New Hampshire attorney general in not vigorously opposing a $70,000 contribution by operators of the Seabrook power plant to help defray law enforcement costs incurred during a large demonstration at the site. Souter said the contribution gave the appearance of impropriety.

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SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (SEPT. 18) UPI - Financial Corp. of Santa Barbara, the former parent of failed Santa Barbara Savings & Loan Association, said Monday that it has filed for voluntary Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

Federal regulators seized the thrift last April, just weeks after the parent completed a $60 million recapitalization that had left it solvent, but far short of the required levels of capital. The parent company has filed a suit against the government to regain control of the thrift.

The company said that it had made the filing in order to ''ensure an orderly disposition'' of its assets and that it had not been made in order to affect

the lawsuit.

It also said that the most significant group of creditors are bondholders seeking payment on $8.4 million principal amount of debentures. The company defaulted on the bonds soon after the thrift, which had assets of more than $4 billion, was seized.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 18) UPI - Geffen Records said Monday that it has cancelled its manufacturing and distribution deal with shock-comedian Andrew Dice Clay's label, Def American Recordings.

Geffen, which announced last March that it had agreed to be acquired by entertainment giant MCA Inc. for more than $500 million, said, ''We find ourselves increasingly at odds with Def American's creative philosophy.''

The label, founded by producer Rick Rubin in 1988, has released two gold albums by Clay, who has become the focus of protests because of his abusive remarks toward minorities, gays and women in his act.

''This was a very profitable deal for us,'' said Geffen spokeswoman Bryn Bridenthal.

Geffen previously decided not to affix its logo to albums by Clay and the heavy-metal groups Slayer and Danzig. The label subsequently refused to distribute an album by the rap group Geto Boys.

''Because we believe both in artistic freedom and the freedom to choose the direction of our company, we felt it would be most constructive to encourage Rick Rubin to find a manufacturer-distributor with a greater affinity for the direction of his label,'' Geffen said. ''We wish Rubin continued success.''

Acts on the Geffen label include Aerosmith, Don Henley, Cher and Nelson.

Rubin said in a statement that his roster contains artists of a ''controversial'' nature, but he did not blame Geffen chief David Geffen for the deal's cancellation.

''David Geffen is a good friend of mine,'' Rubin said. ''I believe strongly in my artists, and am willing to personally defend them; I am upset that David was put in a position where he was forced to defend them, especially from fringe organizations.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Mass Optical Storage Technologies (MOST Inc.) of Cypress, Calif., introduced in New York Tuesday the next generation in data storage technology, the world's first rewritable optical disk drive using removable 3.5-inch media.

The MOST RMD Series of optical drives incorporates one of the industry's fastest rewritable optical disk mechanisms with the handling and storage advantages of 3.5-inch media format to create the first rewritable optical drive capable of meeting the full range of data storage applications.

MOST's RMD-5100-S is the first product in the series, with entry-level formatted capacities of up to 128 megabytes on ANSI-standard 3.5-inch rewritable optical disk cartridges, which provide an anticipated shelf life greater than 10 years with no data loss.

The RMD-5100-S delivers access times significantly faster than other magneto-optic drives and faster than many fixed magnetic disks, making the drive more than adequate as a primary storage device. Average seek times are rated at 35 milliseconds and a unique short scan/seek function makes data within a 128-track band accessible within 9 milliseconds.

MOST provides OEMs with an easy design-in solution. The RMD-5100-S is packaged in the industry standard half-height 5.25-inch form factor, while retaining the media handling, storage advantages and higher performance inherent in the 3.5-inch media format.

Designed with the inexperienced user in mind, the RMD Series presents an unmatched combination of convenience, security and simplicity. The RMD-5100-S features all the benefits of removable storage -- including the unlimited capacity potential and improved data security compared to fixed-disk designs.

Incorporating the MOST magneto-optic disk drive will also allow users to operate with a single, multifunction storage device, eliminating the need for a redundant fixed disk or tape backup system.

The RMD drive features design and performance-enhancing innovations such as a unique split optics positioner and a short scan/seek function, both of which result in much faster data access. Data security is enhanced by a software controlled media interlock command that prevents premature media removal.

In internal customer-configurable EEPROM is available in every drive so the OEM, VAR or system integrator can customize specific functions of the drive to fit individual systems requirements.

Supporting the SCSI disk drive Common Command Set, MOST's optical drive produces a sustained data transfer rate of 512 Kbytes per second, with SCSI burst transfer rates of 1.5 Mbytes per second in asynchronous mode and 3.0 Mbytes per second in synchronous mode.

Included in the electronics is an embedded SCSI controller that has become the standard for high-capacity, high-performance disk drives.

Along with superior performance, the MOST RMD-5100-S incorporates a highly reliable mechanism with an MTBF rating in excess of 30,000 power-on hours, supporting an expected design life of at least five years. Data integrity is assured through an advanced Long Distance Code error correction scheme and a Cyclic Redundancy Check, sustaining data reliability of less than one hard read error in 10 to the 12th power bits read.

The price of the RMD-5100-S drive, which will be available in November, is based on OEM requirements and quantities. The 3.5-inch optical disk cartridges are expected to retail for around $120, about half the price of current 5.25-inch MO media. Every MOST optical disk drive is backed by a one-year warranty.

Mass Optical Storage Technologies, with headquarters in Cypress, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Nakamichi Peripherals Corp.

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ENGLEWOOD, COLO. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Dynamics Inc. (NASDAQ:MEDY), a manufacturer of micro-invasive surgical and diagnostic camera systems, Tuesday announced that Bud Bilanich has been elected to the company's board of directors.

Bilanich is president of Organization Effectiveness Group, a consulting firm specializing in management education and organization development, with a focus on training program design and delivery, and managing organization transitions. His clients include such companies as Pfizer Inc., SmithKline Beecham and Chase Manhattan Bank.

Prior to 1988, Bilanich was with Pfizer Inc. as the manager of organization development from 1983 to 1986 and as the director of human resources, policy, and planning from 1986 to 1988.

Bilanich holds a doctorate degree form Harvard University in organizational

behavior and intervention. His dissertation subject was ''First Level Manufacturing Supervisors and Conflict Handling Behavior: Implications for Management Education.''

Bilanich also holds a bachelor of science degree in journalism and broadcasting from The Pennsylvania State University and an M.A. in organizational and interpersonal communication from the University of Colorado.

''Dr. Bilanich brings to the company a broad range of talent and expertise in the areas of manufacturing training, organization development and human resources development,'' said Van A. Horsley, chief executive officer of Medical Dynamics. ''His addition to the board of directors is part of Medical Dynamics' ongoing effort to strengthen its overall management team and prepare the copmany for its next phase of growth.''

Horsley noted Bilanich's close association with two large medical products companies -- Pfizer and SmithKline and Beecham. ''Because Medical Dyamics is seeking to build business relationships with large medical companies, Dr. Bilanich's experience in that arena will be of great value to the company.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Tuesday announced that it received an award from the Pentagon for an all-fiber-optic voice and data network worth up to $10 million over the five-year contract life.

The network will connect the Pentagon with Hillingdon Royal Air Force Base in Uxbridge, England, over PTAT-1, the transatlantic fiber-optic cable in which US Sprint is co-owner.

The Pentagon contract was awarded to US Sprint's Government Systems Division (GSD), the division which markets and operates complex customer networks, including FTS2000, the new federal telecommunications system.

GSD will serve as a systems integrator for the Pentagon and will provide total communications capabilities including equipment, encryption devices, and network operations and maintenance for the entire system.

The military will use US Sprint's highly secure, all-fiber-optic network to transmit data and voice traffic on the Defense Switched Network (DSN) and Defense Data Network (DDN).

''This award builds on the systems integration expertise US Sprint has gained through the FTS2000 contract,'' said Gary Forsee, chief operating officer for GSD. ''The combination of US Sprint's fiber-optic technology and expertise in providing managed network solutions allows us to provide a unique, single-vendor solution to the diverse requirements of the federal government.''

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City, Mo.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Accton Technology Corp. has signed MP Systems, a multi-regional distributor of high-technology products, to carry its complete line of network integration products.

MP Systems markets state-of-the-art computer systems, sub- systems, printer, and components, providing turnkey solutions to value-added resellers and installers from regional offices in Dallas, Chicago, San Clemente, Calif., and Jacksonville, Fla.

The twelve-year-old firm is adding Accton's line of Ethernet, Token Ring, and other connectivity products to the line of computer products they resell from Acer Tech., Citizen, Storage Dimensions, Output Technology, Wyse Technology, and other computer manufacturers.

MP Systems does not merely sell stand-alone products, but it provides its customers with turnkey, office automation solutions that meet the design specifications of the installers and the information-processing needs of end-users.

The company services 15,000 system houses and installers with customized computer networking solutions and provides training and technical support through regional seminars.

Accton Technology Corp. manufactures a complete line of connectivity hardware and software for Ethernet and Token-Ring, including network interface cards, hubs, multistation access units, repeaters, modems, workstations, and other components and devices.

Accton has its North American headquarters at 46750 Fremont Blvd., 104, Fremont, CA 94538; telephone 415/226-9800.

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Belcor Inc. (NASDAQ:BLCR) Tuesday announced financial results for the three months and nine months ended July 31 1990.

Belcor Inc.
Financial Highlights

	Three months ended July 31,		Nine months ended July 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 6,876,990	$ 6,252,156	$20,221,598	$18,478,910
Net income	288,682	279,109	914,418	606,425
Net income per share	6 cents	7 cents	18 cents	15 cents
Weighted number of shares outstanding	5,073,690	4,216,052	4,993,578	4,149,751

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - C-Cube Microsystems Inc. Tuesday announced that its CL550 image compression processor has been incorporated on the NeXTdimension system add-in board.

NeXT Computer Inc. is the first company to announce a product that incorporates C-Cube's CL550 processor.

NeXTdimension provides NeXT users with cost-effective, high-speed graphics processing capabilities, such as sophisticated drawing, image manipulation, rendering and display. It integrates the capabilities of a 32-bit, true-color display card, a 64-bit RISC-based dedicated graphics coprocessor (Intel i860) and a video capture and display card with C-Cube's high-performance Joint Photographic Experts Group (JPEG) image compression processor.

C-Cube's CL550 processor is the first and only very large scale integration (VLSI) implementation of the JPEG standard for image compression. The JPEG standard has been defined by the ISO/CCITT international standards organization.

C-Cube's processor allows users to compress still images in real time and

high-quality full-motion video at a rate of 30 frames per second. Based on a symmetrical algorithm, the CL550 offers real-time compression speeds and variable compression ratios up to 100:1, depending on the application.

C-Cube Microsystems is the leading supplier of digital image compression products used in multimedia applications such as color desktop publishing, digital photography and digital video systems. Based in San Jose, Calif., C-Cube was founded in July 1988 to establish its digital imaging technology as the industry standard for computer, communication and consumer electronics applications.

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MONTREAL (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Gandalf Data Ltd. Tuesday introduced an Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) primary rate interface.

The interface is integral with Gandalf's Starmaster network processor. It has successfully completed Northern Telecom compliance tests, and Northern Telecom has approved the interface for use with its ISDN central office switches.

Gandalf's announcement came during the annual meeting of the Canadian Business Telecommunications Alliance (CBTA), scheduled to run through Sept. 20 at the Palais de Congres here.

Equipped with the ISDN primary rate interface, Gandalf's Starmaster network processor serves as an intelligent ISDN gateway, allowing users of a wide variety of existing, non-ISDN on-premises equipment to take advantage of the bandwidth-on-demand service provided by both public and private ISDN network.

In addition integration of an ISDN primary rate interface with the Starmaster network processor provides users with far more than simple ISDN connectivity. The Starmaster network processor can locally switch connected subscribers and provides protocol conversion so users may access remote and local application servers in their native mode (for example, TCP/IP, DEC LAT protocol or IBM SNA). It also allows users to employ techniques such as statistical multiplexing to make more efficient use of network connections.

''The Starmaster network processor has an excellent track record for reliability and performance, and is well-known for its support of a wide variety of protocols, which now include ISDN,'' said Paul Hession, Gandalf's vice president of sales and service.

Hession indicated that Gandalf's strict adherence to both formal international standards and selected de facto standards assure that Gandalf's ISDN products can be used in a variety of multivendor network topologies, and with a broad range of central office switches and certain non-intelligent carrier facilities worldwide, such as T1, FT1 and E1, a European standard.

Gandalf will begin installations of its ISDN primary rate interface at selected customer sites in October Prices begin at $8,000.

Gandalf Data Ltd., provides computer communications solutions to end users. It is the Canadian subsidiary of Gandalf Technologies Inc., a leading international designer, manufacture and supplier of a broad range of computer and communications systems which it markets through subsidiaries worldwide.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America announced Tuesday that Robert M. Kagan, 47, has joined the Bank's Investment Real Estate (IRE) Group as a vice president and acquisitions officer.

Kagan will report to Richard T. Crane, vice president and director of acquisitions, and Jack S. Cooper, managing director of IRE.

In this position, Kagan has primary responsibility for the formation of joint venture partnerships between U.S. developers and equity investors. Cooper noted that Kagan will search for opportunities to ''create a good marriage between investors and developers with proven track records, and projects -- housing, shopping centers, or other facilities -- for which there is strong demand by the market''.

Although IRE concentrated on acquiring existing properties for its clients in the past, it is now becoming increasingly active in the development arena. As traditional equity sources for development (such as saving and loan institutions) have diminished, the demand for institutional joint venture investment has increased.

Since the acquisition of existing properties will continue to be a major segment of IRE's business, however, Kagan will also assist Crane in sourcing and acquiring U.S. real estate for Bank of America's Investment Real Estate clients worldwide.

Prior to joining Bank of America, Kagan was vice president and manager of the San Francisco office of Cal Fed Enterprises, the real estate equity joint

venture subsidiary of California Federal Bank. During his eight years there, Kagan negotiated over twenty joint venture agreements and, under his direction concluded over $200 million in joint ventures, primarily in Northern California and the Pacific Northwest.

In 1971, Kagan formed Kagan-Bennet, Inc. in Oakland, Calif., a mid-sized development and property management company. The company developed and built numerous single-family home subdivisions in Northern California, as well as building, developing, and managing residential and commercial projects throughout the U.S. Earlier in his career, Kagan worked for Kaiser-Aetna in Oakland and Larry Smith & Company in Los Angeles.

Kagan resides in Mill Valley with his wife. He received both his B.A. (1965) and M.B.A. (1969) degrees from the University of California at Berkeley. Kagan also teaches real estate at the Graduate School of Administration at Golden Gate University in San Francisco.

Established in the early 1970s, Bank of America's Investment Real Estate Group is an equity real estate investment advisory group that advises in the acquisition, asset management, and disposition of institutional-grade properties throughout the United States for a variety of clients, including offshore investment institutions and high-net worth individuals.

In the past two years, IRE has acquired more than $300 million in properties in the U.S. for institutional clients around the world.

Currently, in its fiduciary capacity, IRE manages a portfolio valued at more than $650 million for its clients. The portfolio consists of approximately 50 properties across the U.S., including office buildings, shopping centers, apartment complexes, warehouses, and research and development facilities.

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HAYWARD, CA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Cholestech Corp. has named Eric McAllister, M.D., Ph.D., as Vice President of Clinical Affairs and Robert A. Baughman, Pharm.D., Ph.D., as Director of Preclinical Development.

Cholestech is a privately held pharmaceutical company developing products to treat and monitor high blood cholesterol and other lipid disorders which lead to coronary heart disease.

Both executives have a wealth of experience in the development and therapeutic use of pharmaceutical products, including direct involvement with cardiovascular drugs. Dr. McAllister, age 48, was most recently Executive

Director of Medical Operations at Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. responsible for advanced human clinical studies worldwide.

Prior to this, he served as Executive Medical Director of Worldwide Business Development at E.R. Squibb & Sons. Formerly, he was Medical Director of the Corporate Medical Affairs Division at G.D. Searle & Co. and Associate Medical Director at Syntex's Research Institute of Clinical Medicine.

Dr. McAllister began his career as an Assistant Professor of Physiology and Biophysics at Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia, Canada and then served for eight years as a medical practitioner prior to entering the business world. He received his M.D. from Dalhousie University and his Ph.D. in Physiology from the University of Oxford.

Dr. Baughman, age 41, was most recently Group Leader of Research and Development and a Project Manager at Penederm, while also serving as an Adjunct Assistant Professor at the College of Pharmacy, University of Florida. He previously held research positions at Genentech for four years, initially as a scientist in pharmacokinetics and then as Project Team Leader in Clinical Research and Development.

Prior to joining Genentech, he was a Senior Research Scientist and Senior Research Chemist at the Lederle Laboratories Division of American Cyanamid. Dr. Baughman began his career as a Research and Teaching Assistant at the School of Pharmacy, University of California, San Francisco.

He received both his Doctor of Pharmacy degree and his Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Chemistry from the University of California, San Francisco.

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LAS VEGAS (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Electronic Data Technologies (NASDAQ:EDAT) announced Tuesday senior level management changes and significant reductions in selling, general and administrative expenses which will include a reduction in the labor force.

The company announced the retirement of Ray Brown, president of route operations. The company has also announced the resignation of David Brogan, chief financial officer. Brogan has resigned to pursue other interests.

The company has appointed Joe Murphy as general manager of route operations. Murphy brings to EDT considerable experience in the gaming industry.

The company's 1990 fourth quarter results of operations will be negatively

impacted and the company will record a loss for the quarter. The following are contributing factors:

-- Additional reserves in the areas of Accounts Receivable and Inventory.

-- A writedown of certain capitalized product enhancements.

-- Severance costs associated with a reduction in the labor force.

''The company is going through transitional times'' said Mike Stone, president of EDT, ''We are confident that the changes which we are implementing will increase our long-term profitability and that our products will provide opportunities for enhanced shareholder value in the future.''

Electronic Data Technologies is a leader in the design and manufacture of computerized systems for the gaming industry and manages, through its wholly owned subsidiary, approximately 1,700 gaming machines in restricted locations in Nevada.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Tuesday announced that its powerful UNIX-based SPARCstation computer has been selected by Eastman Kodak as the platform for Kodak's new Photo CD, a digital photo processing system.

Photo CD was introduced today by Kodak in New York, London and Japan and marks a significant move for the company beyond chemical-based photo processing. For Sun, the selection by Kodak demonstrates the rapidly increasing use of the company's workstations in commercial applications.

Kodak considers this system a revolution in consumer photography. Photo CD will be offered to customers as an option by retail photofinishers worldwide, to store digitized photographs on compact disks. This will give customers the quality and convenience of computer storage, display and manipulation.

In the future, photofinishers will use a scanner developed by Kodak to ''read'' processed 35 mm negatives or slides into a Sun SPARCstation, where images can be edited or manipulated on screen. A Photo CD discwriter made by Philips is then used to ''write'' these pictures onto compact disks.

According to Kodak, customers get photographs that are far superior to that of current electronic still photography systems, since images are scanned directly from film and digitized.

Photo CD is an example of a multimedia application, one of the most promising technology areas for workstations. Kodak began product development of Photo CD on a personal computer, then turned to a Sun SPARCstation because of its superior speed, virtually unlimited memory and high-resolution displays.

Kodak also chose the SPARCstation as the system used by photofinishers because of its industry-leading price/performance.

Today's emerging multimedia applications need workstation power and the graphics capabilities offered by Sun.

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

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PHOENIX (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Verit Industries (AMEX:VER) Tuesday announced that it has entered into a contract to purchase the Phoenix Arms Hotel located in Tullamore, County Offally, Republic of Ireland.

It is presently anticipated that this contract will close on or about Sept. 24. Verit is currently negotiating and reviewing other acquisitions involved in the touristic leisure business.

Verit's common shares are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol VER.

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BOISE, ID (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - TJ International (NASDAQ:TJCO) announced Tuesday it is initiating a $15 million stock buy-back and issuing $15 million of non-marketable, convertible voting preferred stock to its Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP).

The $15 million buy-back will purchase TJ International common stock on the open market. The leveraging of the ESOP will allow it to purchase shares of newly issued convertible preferred stock with a floor liquidation value of 135 percent of the company's common stock value. This will boost the ESOP's stake in the company from approximately 6 percent to 14 percent. After completion of the stock buy-back, ESOP ownership will rise to 16 percent of the company.

TJ International is a specialty building products company headquartered in Boise. It conducts business through its two operating divisions, Trus Joist Corp. and Design Master Corp.

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DENVER (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - High school students today are planning carefully for their future, including college and career plans, according to a study recently conducted by the Denver-based College for Financial Planning.

The first annual ''High School Financial Awareness Survey'' includes responses from 1,858 students nationwide who recently completed the College's High School Financial Planning Program, which is provided as a public service by the College for Financial Planning. The survey was conducted to assess the students' knowledge and attitudes about financial planning and the impact the program has had on their overall money management skills.

Sixty-three percent of the high school students surveyed already have selected a career. The five most popular choices are business, medicine, law, education and engineering.

More than 70 percent of those surveyed intend to go to college. Of those who plan to pursue a higher education, 61 percent indicated they would work part time or full time, in addition to attending classes.

The majority of students surveyed said financing a college education is the greatest financial planning problem facing them today. So, many of the students have developed several different strategies on how they plan to finance their education.

Forty-three percent of the students responded that their parents will pay for their college, 41 percent said their college tuition primarily will be funded from their work income, 35 percent will rely on tuition assistance from student loans, 31 percent will tap into their savings account to help pay for college, and 11 percent plan to use monetary gifts received from relatives.

The most popular alternative for students not planning to attend college is to join the military or enroll in a technical or vocational school.

Seventy-two percent of the survey respondents are juniors and seniors. Fifty-six percent of the students are female, and the majority of the students (84 percent) are age 16 to 18.

Since its inception in 1984, the College's High School Financial Planning Program has been taught to over 85,000 students in more than 1,200 schools in all 50 states. Another 200 schools will be offering the program to more than 12,000 students this year. The program, which teaches money management skills to teenagers, is available free of charge to public and private schools throughout the United States.

To learn more about the program, contact the High School Program department of the College at 303/220-1200.

The College is an independent, nonprofit institution offering financial planning education to professionals throughout the financial services industry.

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LAGUNA HILLS, CA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Community Psychiatric Centers (NYSE/BSE/MSE/PSE:CMY) announced Tuesday that it had completed its purchase from Humana Inc. of Brentwood Hospital, a 174 bed psychiatric hospital in Shreveport, La.

With this acquisition, Community Psychiatric Centers owns and operates 43 acute psychiatric hospitals in the United States and Puerto Rico and six in the United Kingdom.

The addition of Brentwood increases its Louisiana facilities to four and is expected to contribute to earnings, and facilitate the achievement of operating and marketing objectives.

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HOLLYWOOD, FLA. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The National Management Association (NMA) has inducted Robert Anderson, chairman emeritus of Rockwell International Corp., into its Hall of Fame.

Anderson received the award during the association's Hall of Fame Breakfast in Hollywood, where he was cited for his lifelong support of competitive enterprise and of management as a profession.

''Bob Anderson has been an important force in addressing the issue of maximizing America's competitive position in the global marketplace. His dedication to good business management has been an inspiration to our membership,'' said Ronald E. Leigh, president of NMA.

As a Hall of Fame Inductee, Anderson joins such notables as Charles F. Kettering, inventor and NMA founder; Royale Little, founder of Textron; Peter Drucker, noted management author, and Larry Kitchen, chairman emeritus, Lockheed Corp.

Anderson, who is Rockwell's immediate past chairman of the board and chief executive officer, currently serves as chairman of the corporation's executive committee of its board of directors.

Rockwell, which has headquarters in El Segundo, Calif., is a $12 billion, multi-industry company that employs more than 105,000 individuals worldwide in electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphic businesses.

The National Management Association, with headquarters in Dayton, Ohio, is a management education association representing more than 68,000 management men and women in 240 chapters throughout the United States.

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TEMPE, ARIZ. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - MicroAge Computer Centers Inc. (NASDAQ:MICA)(MCCI) announced that it has finalized a joint venture agreement with Metrologie International of France to establish a MicroAge computer reseller franchise network in continental Europe.

William Keiper, president of MCCI, stated: ''Metrologie currently operates in eight countries and is Europe's largest distributor of information technology products, systems and services.

''This agreement with a proven European partner provides MicroAge an opportunity to enhance its position in the European marketplace and to fulfill MicroAge's goal of establishing quality, value-added MicroAge Centers throughout Europe.''

MicroAge markets and distributes information technology products and services

through an international network of more than 732 franchised, company-owned and dealer locations.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The Walt Disney Co., continuing its efforts to combat the unauthorized use of Disney characters on apparel and other merchandise, Tuesday filed a lawsuit charging 130 distributors and retailers with creating and selling infringing goods in the New York City area.

The action is Disney's first in New York involving characters from the film ''Dick Tracy.'' Other infringements include unauthorized uses of Mickey and Minnie Mouse, Donald Duck, Huey, Dewey and Louie, Goofy, Roger Rabbit and ''The Little Mermaid'' on T-shirts, sweatshirts and watches.

The suit, filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, charges copyright infringement, false designation of origin, unlawful dilution and unfair competition.

The suit seeks an injunction to prevent further distribution or sale of the pirated merchandise, plus maximum statutory damages based on willful infringement. The suit claims aggregate damages of more than $1 million.

''The number of defendants in this case demonstrates the scope of the piracy problem that we and other companies continue to face,'' said Robert S. Ogden Jr., vice president and counsel for Disney Consumer Products. ''We regret that we must use such suits to halt this activity.''

Seperately, in a suit filed Aug. 29 in the U.S. District Court of the District of New Jersey, Disney charged three defendants with manufacturing, importing, distributing and selling unauthorized soft ''gummy'' candy formed in the shape of Disney characters.

This second action was the result of a letter written by a concerned Disney fan from Staten Island who noticed the absence of a copyright notice on the candy package.

The New Jersey lawsuit seeks injunctive relief and damages of $50,000 for copyright infringement, false designation of origin and unfair competition.

Disney is represented in the New York suit by the law offices of Pryor, Cashman, Sherman & Flynn, and in the New Jersey suit by Zachary Wobensmith and Dean Ibrahim as local counsel.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Sequent Computer Systems Inc. Tuesday announced it will be AT&T's UNIX System Laboratories (USL) Inc's. primary partner in developing an enhanced version of UNIX System V that incorporates secure, full symmetrical multiprocessing support.

Core development work for the project, UNIX System V Release 4 ES/MP, which is currently underway, is being done on Sequent's Symmetry platform and is slated for release in 1992. The Symmetry system was also selected by USL to be its reference platform for the SVR4 ES/MP release based on Intel's 386/i486 microprocessors.

Sequent's contribution to the SVR4 ES/MP project is based on the licensing, to USL, of its base operating system technology. As a result, USL will have access to key elements of Sequent's DYNIX/ptx operating system including its file system management, I/O subsystem, process and memory management, and Parallel STREAMS capabilities.

The ES/MP development work is to be broad-based. The joint engineering team -- which will include senior-most development specialists from each organization -- will focus on enhancements to the UNIX System in such areas as kernel process management and processor scheduling.

A key technological enhancement will be the application of parallel processing to the UNIX STREAMS communications environment. This enhancement will take advantage of the parallel STREAMS implementation which Sequent recently introduced in its DYNIX/ptx operating system. It will make possible the support of a full suite of communications protocols including TCP/IP, X.25 and SNA, all of which are currently available on DYNIX/ptx.

Sequent Computer Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: SQNT) is a leading provider of open-systems computing solutions for the commercial OLTP market. The company, which employs more than 1,500 people, reported 1989 revenues of $145.6 million and second quarter 1990 revenues of $58.2 million. Since the launch of its parallel processor family in 1984, Sequent has installed more than 2,500 systems worldwide.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Wells Fargo & Co. (NYSE:WFC) Tuesday declared a regular quarterly dividend on common stock of $1 per share.

The dividend will be payable Oct. 20 to shareholders of record at the close of business Oct. 1.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - H. Jesse Arnelle, 56, senior partner with the San Francisco-based corporate and public finance law firm of Arnelle & Hastie, has been elected to the board of Wells Fargo & Co. (NYSE:WFC), parent company of Wells Fargo Bank.

Before forming the law firm in 1985, Arnelle was sole practitioner in a general litigation practice for 10 years, a trial attorney with the federal public defender's office of Northern California for two years and a former associate in the law firm of Morrison and Foerster for two years.

A 1962 graduate of Dickinson Law School, he has been admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court and the California Supreme Court.

Arnelle is a life member of the National Bar Association and a member of the American Bar Association and its international law, tort and products liability law, and business/litigation sections.

In addition to his 25 years of legal experience, Arnelle spent five years, beginning in 1963, with the Peace Corps. He held consecutively the positions of associate director for Turkey, director for Eastern India and deputy director of special recruiting.

Since 1969, Arnelle has been a member of the board of trustees of Pennsylvania State University (PSU). He is the senior trustee of the 32-member board and is chairman of its education policy committee.

A 1955 graduate of PSU, he received a B.A. degree majoring in political science and history. He was president of the undergraduate student government in his senior year, a distinguished ROTC (Air Force) cadet recipient, and a member of the All-American football and basketball teams.

Arnelle serves on the boards of Florida Power & Light, Commonwealth Club of San Francisco, San Francisco Opera, KOIT AM/FM, World Centre and Bay Area UNICEF where he was the 1988 honoree.

He is a former member of the board of the World Affairs Council Northern California and Provident Mutual Fund, former commissioner of the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency, and a former member of the board of the San Francisco Boys' Club.

Arnelle is a member of Beta Upsilon Boule and the Bohemian Club of San Francisco.

He is married to Dr. Carolyn B. (Block) Arnelle, clinical psychologist, and has three children: Nicole, 27; Paolo, 25; and Michael, 3-1/2.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Pacific National Bank Tuesday announced the appointment of Liam E. McGee to the position of executive vice president in charge of its California Retail Branch System.

McGee, 36, will oversee SPB's Branch Banking Group of over 640 statewide offices, and its Service & Support Group, which includes operations, product development, customer service and advertising for the retail system. McGee reports to Jerry A. Grundhofer, president and chief executive officer of the bank.

''We are extremely pleased to have an executive of Liam McGee's demonstrated strategic and leadership ability join our team,'' said Grundhofer. ''Liam is a highly experienced veteran of California banking whose expertise will be very valuable in the continued growth and development of our strong retail franchise.''

McGee was most recently executive vice president and division manager of Southern California Retail Banking at Wells Fargo. He began his banking career in 1977 as an assistant vice president with Community Bank in Los Angeles. He joined Wells Fargo as a business development officer in 1981, and held increasingly responsible positions with that organization over the next five years.

McGee was named senior vice president and division manager for their Southern Metro Division of Retail Banking in 1987, and was put in charge of Wells Fargo's entire Southern California Division in January 1988.

He received bachelor of arts degrees in biology and psychology in 1976 from the University of San Diego, a master's in business administration from Pepperdine University in 1979, and a law degree from Loyola Law School in 1984.

He is a member of the California Bar Association and a member of the boards of the Los Angeles Chapter of the Boy Scouts of America, the Ketchum Downtown YMCA, Hispanic Bankers Association and the University of San Diego Business School Advisory Board.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Adobe Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ADBE) announced the NeXTdimension and NeXTstation Color, introduced by NeXT Inc. Tuesday, are the first 32-bit and 16-bit color products to be driven by Adobe's Display PostScript system.

The Display PostScript system contains a device-independent imaging model that makes on-screen images appear just as they will when printed.

The Display PostScript system, in conjunction with the NeXTdimension system, supports 32-bit color windows. A graphics co-processor in the NeXTdimension system accelerates window system and graphics operations, which are driven by Display PostScript software.

Together with NeXT's Color Megapixel display, NeXTdimension produces more than 16 million colors, enabling users to see the true color they specify in their PostScript software applications and to use color more precisely and productively than ever before possible.

The 32-bit NeXTdimension product is the higher-end of the two color products NeXT announced. The other product, NeXTstation Color, is a compact, 16-bit-per-pixel computer capable of displaying 4,096 colors. NeXTstation Color also offers users extremely high-quality color representation.

''Today's announcement means NeXT computer users will now have access to the full power of the Display PostScript software program to display color images from applications such as Adobe Illustrator with the greatest possible degree of accuracy,'' said Dr. Charles Geschke, president and chief operating officer Adobe Systems.

Because the PostScript language is device independent, all Display PostScript applications written for the NeXT computer will run without modification on the new 32-bit and 16-bit products, as well as on NeXT computers with two-bit Megapixel black-and-white displays.

Adobe Systems Inc., founded in 1982 by Dr. John Warnock and Geschke, has headquarters in Mountain View. Adobe is the developer of PostScript, the industry-standard page description language for electronic printing and publishing, and Display PostScript, a device-independent graphics software component for computer displays.

In addition, the company develops and markets a line of application software products. Revenues for 1989 were $121 million.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Adobe Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ADBE) announced Tuesday that the Adobe Illustrator-NeXT Version software program is expected to ship in the first quarter of 1991.

Adobe Illustrator-NeXT Version is a powerful design and illustration tool that enables design professionals to create and lay out all facets of a page.

Among the product's features are precision drawing tools, advanced text-handling capabilities, graphing and charting tools, and an easy-to-use interface. The new product is ideal for advertising and package design, newspaper layouts, business presentations and technical illustrations.

''We're pleased to offer NeXT computer users the elegance and flexibility of Adobe Ilustrator,'' said John Kunze, director of product marketing for Adobe's Application Products Division.

''The NeXT family of computers, with their Display PostScript imaging model, are outstanding platforms for publishing, graphics and design, and we believe that Adobe Illustrator will allow users to take full advantage of the power of Display PostScript.''

Adobe Illustrator-NeXT Version incorporates the same advanced functionality as the recently announced Adobe Illustrator 3.0 for the Macintosh. This functionality includes advanced drawing and text-handling tools; a flexible graph tool for creating high-quality charts and graphs; Adobe Separator software, which allows users to work interactively with illustrations or layouts to create high-quality color separations; and an interface that makes the program easy to learn, use and remember.

The product will be available directly from Adobe and through Businessland. It has a suggested U.S. retail price of $595. For more information, customers should contact Adobe at 1/800-83-FONTS.

Adobe Systems Inc., founded in 1982 by Dr. John Warnock and Dr. Charles Geschke, is headquartered in Mountain View, Calif. Adobe is the developer of PostScript, the industry-standard page description language for electronic printing and publishing, and Display PostScript, a device-independent graphics software component for computer displays.

In addition, the company develops and markets a line of application software programs, including the award-winning Adobe Illustrator and Adobe Type Manager Adobe TypeAlign, Adobe Type Reunion, the Adobe Type Library, Adobe Streamline the PostScript Cartridge and Adobe Photoshop. Revenues for 1989 were over $120 million.

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SHEPHERD, MO (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - United Tote Inc. (NASDAQ:TOTE), a worldwide supplier of wagering systems, announced that it intends to sell its racetrack ownership interests to United Track Racing Inc. (UTR) for a purchase price of approximately $12 million.

The interests to be sold include Sunland Park Racetrack, a thoroughbred and quarter horse track located in Sunland Park, N.M., a 30 percent limited partnership interest in Coeur d'Alene Greyhound Park located outside of Post Falls, Idaho, and United Tote's existing option to purchase 20 percent of the stock of UTR.

Chairman of the Board Lloyd Shelhamer stated that UTR currently is a wholly owned subsidiary of Wembley Inc., a significant stockholder of United Tote, whose parent is London-based Wembley plc. Wembley plc owns the The Wembley Stadium sports and entertainment complex, six greyhound tracks located in England and various leisure industry enterprises.

Shelhamer also stated that as part of the proposed sale a new entity owned by certain members of the Shelhamer family, some of whom presently are executive officers of UTR, is expected to purchase 18 percent of the stock of UTR from UTR.

UTR presently owns five U.S. greyhound tracks including Lincoln Greyhound Park in Lincoln, R.I.; Mile High Kennel Club in Commerce City, Colo.; Interstate Kennel Club near Byers, Colo.; Pueblo Greyhound Park in Pueblo, Colo.; and Sodrac Park in North Sioux City, S.D. United Tote presently provides management services to UTR for its tracks and expects to continue to do so.

Shelhamer announced that the proposed sale is subject to a number of closing

conditions and would require final approval of the board of directors, appropriate regulatory approvals by the respective state racing commissions and approval by United Tote's primary commercial bank. He also noted that definitive documents for the transaction have not yet been entered into.

United Tote provides wagering systems to more than 300 pari-mutuel and sports wagering facilities worldwide.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - UtiliCorp United (NYSE:UCU) Tuesday announced that it expects declines in third quarter net income and primary earnings per common share compared with the 1989 period.

The company noted that it is on target to achieve record results for 1990 provided that it receives adequate electric rate relief in a pending request at its Missouri Public Service division. A decision is expected in early October.

UtiliCorp also announced that it filed applications with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and various state regulatory agencies to obtain approval to issue up to 4,000,000 shares of common stock through a public offering and to implement a $250 million medium-term note program. UtiliCorp common stock closed on Sept. 14, 1990 at $18 per share.

Net proceeds of the financings will be used to reduce short-term debvt incurred as a result of capital expenditures at Missouri Public Service and for other capital and acquisition-related expenditures.

For the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, UtiliCorp expects net income of $10.2 million, compared to $11.3 million in the 1989 period, and primary earnings per share are estimated to be 35 cents, compared with 45 cents in last year's quarter. Operating revenues are estimated at $154 million, vs. $140 million in the prior third period.

Average common shares outstanding increased from 20.8 million in last year's third quarter to 23.5 million in this year's period. The increase is primarily due to a public offering of two million new shares in December 1989.

For the nine-month period this year, net income is expected to be $37.9 million and earnings per share are projected at $1.38, compared to net income of $34.4 million and earnings per share of $1.48 in the same period last year. Operating revenues for the first nine months of this year are expected to be $582 million, vs. $495 million in last year's nine-month period.

UtiliCorp Chairman and President Richard C. Green Jr. attributed the decline in third quarter results to the need for electric rate relief at Missouri Public Service. UtiliCorp is seeking a rate increase of $25.5 million annually, primarily to pay for the costs of an extensive rebuild at the company's Sibley Generating Station. The company also is seeking a gas rate increase of $4.7 million annually with a decision expected in January 1991.

Green noted that a combination of adequate rate relief and implementation of cost cutting and other efficiencies at UtiliCorp's regulated utility operations should help the company achieve a record year.

UtiliCorp's PSI subsidiary is expected to contribute approximately 23 percent of UtiliCorp's total net income this year. PSI contributed $5.3 million or 11 percent of total UtiliCorp net income in 1989.

''PSI has become a substantial contributor to UtiliCorp's bottom line,'' Green said. ''It's a success because five years ago PSI's management recognized the opportunities that were about to be created by deregulation of the natural gas industry.''

PSI recently took an additional step to enhance its gas supply base. It has signed a letter of intent to acquire the Elk City Natural Gas Gathering and Processing facilities located in western Oklahoma for approximately $30 million. The system would be purchased from Valero Hydrocarbons L.P., a Subsidiary Operating Partnership of Valero Natural Gas Partners L.P. (NYSE: VLP). It is anticipated that the transaction will be completed in October 1990.

The 85-mile Elk City system is located in three counties within the Anadarko Basin. The system gathers approximately 75 million cubic feet (MMCF) of gas per day from the majority of the major producers in the area.

The processing facilities presently extract approximately 150,000 gallons per day of liquid hydrocarbons and provide 65 MMCF of gas per day for delivery on various interstate pipelines.

In July, PSI and an investment partner acquired a Texas-based gas transmission and gathering network and gas processing facilities for approximately $100 million. PSI paid $50 million in the transaction and presently owns a 49 percent interest in Clajon Holdings L.P.

Green noted that PSI's success can be attributed to an aggressive marketing and sales operation backed by a gas supply base comprised of oil and gas reserves, pipelines, gas gathering systems and gas processing facilities.

PSI expects to sell more than 325 BCF of gas in 1990, compared to 214 BCF in 1989. In addition, the subsidiary's 1990 contribution will include an

approximately $6.6 million gain from the first quarter sale of various oil and gas reserves and related assets. Proceeds from that transaction were reinvested in other gas reserves, which also are expected to initially contribute to fourth quarter financial results.

Green noted that PSI illustrates one objective in UtiliCorp's policy of diversifying sources of earnings through the development of non-regulated businesses. UtiliCorp also encourages each of its regulated utilities to start up and develop non-regulated businesses that complement the core electric and gas service. Non-regulated businesses at the company's Peoples Natural Gas division, for example, are expected to contribute about 26 percent of that utility's pre-tax income this year.

Green also noted that the company's diversification policy is not diminishing its capital spending program. Capital spending in 1989 was $98.3 million. In 1990, it is expected to be $111 million and in 1991, $126 million.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides electric and gas service to 820,000 customers located in eight states and in British Columbia. Its divisions are Missouri Public Service, Peoples Natural Gas, Michigan Gas Utilities, West Virginia Power, Northern Minnesota Utilities and Kansas Public Service. West Kootenay Power is a Canadian subsidiary.

PSI and UtilCo Group are non-regulated subsidiaries specializing in utility and energy related enterprises.

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BERKELEY, CA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - TENERA, L.P. (ASE:TLP) Tuesday announced that it will make its regular quarterly cash distribution of 20 cents per unit on or about Oct. 10, 1990, to unitholders of record on Sept. 30.

TENERA, L.P. provides information-based services and software products for utilities and large industrial corporations through offices in Arizona, California, Connecticut, Idaho, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Carolina and Tennessee.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Mesa Offshore Trust (NYSE:MOS) announced the trust income distribution for the month of September 1990.

Unitholders of record on Sept. 28 will receive a distribution amounting to $543,404.07, or $.007549 per unit, payable on Oct. 31.

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Terry Sciba, 713/236-6369

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Mesa Royalty Trust (NYSE:MTR) announced the trust-income distribution for the month of September 1990.

Unitholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990 will receive a distribution amounting to $309,715.03, or $.166193 per unit, payable on Oct. 31, 1990.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Wells Fargo Bank reported Tuesday that it expects its first three branches in Safeway stores will open for business by early November.

The three branches will be located in Safeway supermarkets at the following addresses: Redwood Plaza Shopping Center, 774 Admiral Callaghan Lane, Vallejo; Clayton Station Shopping Center, 5431 Clayton Road, Clayton, and Oakhill Shopping Center, 660 Bailey Rd., West Pittsburg.

During December and January, the bank expects to complete branches in four additional Safeway supermarkets located at: Novato Fair Shopping Center, 900 Diablo Avenue, Novato; Vineyard Plaza, 1115 Vine St., Healdsburg; The Crossings Shopping Center, 3365 Deer Valley Rd., Antioch, and Marlow Center, 1799 Marlow, Santa Rosa.

Wells Fargo Bank announced in April that it planned to open several banking offices in selected Northern California Safeway stores.

The in-store branches will operate seven days a week, offering the full range of banking services to customers.

Based on current construction schedules, the Wells Fargo office in the Safeway supermarket at Redwood Plaza Shopping Center in Vallejo should open for business by early October. The in-store branches in Clayton and West

Pittsburg will welcome customers late in October or early in November.

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REDWOOD SHORES, CA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Oracle Corporation and Hewlett-Packard Company, two of the leading open-systems suppliers, today announced intentions to expand significantly their business relationship that will greatly increase their application, database, service and support, technology, and joint marketing and sales efforts. The companies have agreed in principle that:

HP places Oracle products among the top of its Preferred Solution Provider program.

Oracle recognizes HP as a leading supplier of open systems and client/server platforms and will use HP 9000 systems as a reference development platform. HP will consider an option to take customer orders for Oracle software.

Oracle has established an HP Products Division for HP 3000 systems.

HP will consider offering its customers Oracle product support.

Oracle has selected HP workstations as the development platform for Motif-based tools.

Oracle and HP will train their respective sales forces to jointly sell Oracle products on the HP 3000 and HP 9000 product families.

''Open systems are increasingly important to our customers,'' said Jeff L. Walker, Oracle's chief financial officer and executive vice president. ''HP's 'Best-in-Class Program' designation of our products and the support of their distribution program should speed the industry shift toward open systems. HP and Oracle have combined efforts to bring quality solutions to our customers and give them the flexibility they need to be successful -- today and into the next decade.''

''A teaming of the world's largest supplier of UNIX-based software and the largest supplier of RISC-based and UNIX hardware is a significant event for our industry,'' said Douglas C. Chance, HP's executive vice president and head of the Networked Systems Sector. ''We want our customers around the world to have access to the software technology and applications solutions they request on our HP 3000 and HP 9000 computer families to help their transition toward open systems.'' Scope of the Relationship

HP has approved Oracle's RDBMS, application development and CASE tools, and Oracle's accounting systems products among the top of its Preferred Solution Provider program, which reflects a strong preference among HP customers for software running on HP platforms.

Evidence of Oracle's commitment to the relationship is its establishment of a new strategic business unit to ensure tighter integration of Oracle products for HP 3000 systems. Oracle's HP Products Division will improve the timeliness and support of Oracle products for HP 3000 systems.

Oracle and HP are working together to conclude details of the new strategic relationship worldwide. Projects are underway in Europe, Japan and Australia.

Development Relationship

Oracle will use HP 9000 systems as a reference development platform for its UNIX Products Division, and for some internal production systems.

Oracle and HP are committed to product quality and they plan to embark on a joint program to share tools and methods for enhancing software quality. Neil L. Davies, HP's software quality and productivity manager, and Jerry Baker, Oracle's senior vice president of Product Line Development, will share responsibility for a joint quality program.

Both companies plan to increase the porting and performance staffs that support the products so that Oracle products with maximum performance are promptly available on HP 3000 and HP 9000 platforms. Also, Oracle has selected HP workstations as the development platform for Motif-based tools.

Oracle Corporation, headquartered in Redwood Shores, Calif., is the largest supplier of DBMS software and the third largest software and services company in the world.

Oracle develops and markets an integrated line of software products for database management, applications development, decision support and office automation, as well as families of financial and manufacturing applications packages. All Oracle products are available on PCs, minicomputers and mainframes, and ORACLE is the first and only database to run on supercomputers.

The company offers its products, along with related consulting, education and support services, in 90 countries around the world. Oracle is a publicly held corporation whose shares are traded on NASDAQ/NMS with ticker symbol ORCL.

Hewlett-Packard Company is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support.

The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries.

HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - John M. Anderson has been appointed director of communications, government and community relations for the Chemical Systems Division of United Technologies Corp.

He is responsible for all internal and external communications, government liaison activities at the city, county, and state levels, and management of all community relations activities.

Anderson joined Chemical Systems in 1986 and has held various positions in the company's facilities planning and maintenance-engineering organizations. He also led the division's product and systems integrity department.

Prior to joining Chemical Systems, he served 25 years with the Department of the Air Force, including duty with the Secretary of the Air Force.

Anderson has a master's degree in the history of modern Europe with specialization in the U.S.S.R. He has also completed executive courses in residence at Harvard University and the University of Virginia.

Chemical Systems produces solid fuel rocket motors and conducts advanced propulsion systems research at its San Jose facilities. The company also provices space launch service at Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., and at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

United Technologies Corp. (UTC) is a diversified, international manufacturing company with headquarters in Hartford, Conn.

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PHOENIX (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Arizona Land Income Corp. (AMEX:AZL), an independent real estate trust, Tuesday declared its third quarter dividend, 10 cents per share payable Oct. 16 to shareholders of record Sept. 28.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Resources Inc. (NASDAQ:IRIC) Tuesday announced that Thomas M. Walker, 43, has been elected corporate vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer.

He will have responsibility for all financial and administrative functions within the company.

The former chief financial officer and treasurer, Patricia Owens, resigned effective Sept. 7, 1990 citing personal reasons and the desire to pursue other opportunities.

Walker is joining Information Resources Inc. from Praxis Biologics Inc., Rochester, N.Y., where he had served as Vice President Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer since 1988 with responsibilities for all financial and administrative functions.

Walker served as auditor, controller and director of finance for Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co., The Mead Corp. and Revlon Inc., respectively, before joining Sterling Drug Inc. in 1981 as Vice President of Finance and Planning for its chemical business. In 1985 he assumed the additional responsibilities of Vice President of Finance and Planning for the Japan-Canada-Australia-Pacific companies in Sterling's international group.

Later at Sterling he was Corporate Director of Finance and Administration responsible for investor relations, worldwide internal audit and financial management human resource planning and development.

A Certified Public Accountant, Walker holds an MBA degree from Ohio State University and an undergraduate degree in business from Kent State University.

Chicago-based Information Resources Inc. develops and maintains computerized proprietary databases, decision support software and mathematical models to assist clients, primarily in the consumer packaged goods industry, in testing, monitoring and evaluating their marketing plans for new products, media advertising, pricing and sales promotion.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Airlines Holdings (ASE:CTA) Tuesday announced that it has reached agreement with the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. (PBGC), Eastern Airlines Inc. and Eastern's Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, under which all of the pension benefits earned by Eastern's current and former employees will be provided for and paid in the future.

The Internal Revenue Service granted a one-day waiver with respect to the amounts which were due to the pension plans Monday. The waiver assured that no fines, penalties or other adverse consequences would occur as a result of the missed payment.

The agreement provides that any benefit accruals not already frozen will stop on or before Oct. 15, 1990, and that all of the pension plans will be terminated according to an agreed-upon schedule.

Assets of the terminated plans and their related liabilities will be transferred to a settlement trust which will be trusteed by the PBGC. The agreement also provides that, at various times over a period of up to 12 years selected liabilities will be covered through the purchase of commercial annuities by the PBGC.

Hollis L. Harris, president and chief executive officer of Continental Airlines Holdings, said: '' We are pleased that this matter has been resolved and in such a way that it will not hinder Continental's plans for future growth and increasing profitability.

''Based on our experience it is reasonable to assume that the contributions to be made by Eastern and Continental, together with investment earnings, will fully fund the plans in the next few years.''

As of Dec. 31, 1989, the plans had total assets of $1.5 billion and accrued liabilities (at then-prevailing commercial annuity rates) of approximately $2 billion. All unfunded benefit liabilities will be guaranteed by the PBGC and satisfied by Eastern and Continental Airlines Holdings in accordance with agreed-upon current and deferred payment arrangements.

There will be no current effect on the consolidated financial statements of Continental Holdings as a result of this agreement. However Continental Airlines, on its separate company financials, will record a one-time charge to its retained earnings of an amount yet to be determined, although there will be no charge to Continental's income statement.

The agreement provides, subject to bankruptcy court approval, that Eastern will pay into the plans $30 million and that the PBGC will be granted an allowed general unsecured claim against Eastern of $565 million. This claim will be satisfied by Eastern in accordance with Eastern's plan of

reorganization.

All other pension claims against Eastern, except a $71 million general unsecured claim of Continental Holdings, will be cancelled.

Under the agreement, Continental Holdings' fixed obligations are to pay $80.5 million Tuesday and then to pay into the plans or the various settlement trusts: $2.5 million in May 1991; $4 million in each of the months of June through September 1991 and $5 million in each of the months of October 1991 through September 1993. In September 1993, if the assets of the settlement trusts are not sufficient to provide for all future benefits, Continental will pay $4 million a month until that point is reached, but not beyond the year 2002.

In addition, at the end of 1993, if the trust assets are not sufficient to annuitize the benefits, Continental agreed to make an annual payment of 15 percent of its pre-tax income before extraordinary items in excess of $50 million, up to a maximum of $50 million a year. These payments will continue until all benefit liabilities have been annuitized.

If all the benefit liabilities have not been provided for through the purchase of commercial annuities by 2002, Continental will pay whatever is necessary to permit the purchase of those annuities or satisfy the remaining benefit liability.

Continental's obligation to the PBGC will be collateralized.

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Corp. Communications, 713/834-5080

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FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Northern Railroad Co. announced Tuesday that it intends to initiate in the near future a series of exchange offers to holders of its railroad mortgage bonds and its income debentures (collectively the ''Old Debt Securities''), all of which were issued prior to 1970 and are currently trading at a discount.

Under the terms of the exchange offers, holders of the Old Debt Securities will have the option of exchanging such Old Debt Securities for a like principal amount of new series of BN Railroad's Consolidated Mortgage Bonds. The interest rates and maturities of the Consolidated Mortgage Bonds to be offered have not yet been set. The exchange offers will be made only by means of a prospectus.

The purposes of the exchange offers will be: (1) to enable BN Railroad to reflect in its financial statements the current market value of the Old Debt

Securities exchanged; (2) to lengthen the average maturity of some of its debt; (3) to eliminate or modify certain restrictive covenants and other provisions contained in certain of the Old Debt Securities; and (4) to consolidate certain of BN Railroad's debt under BN Railroad's Consolidated Mortgage.

BN Railroad expects there to be a number of accounting effects from the proposed exchange offers in addition to the purposes identified above. These include: (1) the recognition of the gain, for financial reporting purposes, on the extinguishment of the Old Debt Securities as a result of the discount of their market value; (2) the flow-through of the gain (on an after-tax basis) into stockholder's equity; and (3) the discounting of the new bonds issued in exchange for the Old Debt Securities at their market value at the acceptance date of the exchange offers.

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MONETT, MO (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Jack Henry & Associates Inc. (NASDAQ:JKHY) Tuesday reported results for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 which reflected a successful year for its continuing operations; however, when combined with losses from the discontinued operations (FinSer) a net loss resulted for the year.

Income from continuing operations was $937,000, or 26 cents per share, on net company revenues of $9,818,000, compared with a loss from continuing operations of $302,000, or 8 cents per share on net company revenues of $9,682,000 for fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

Losses from the discontinued operations, which include a write down of the carrying value of the company's investment in discontinued operations, totaled $1,473,000 and offset the profitable results of the continuing operations resulting in a net loss of $536,000, or 15 cents per share for the fiscal year 1990. The fiscal year 1989 net loss was $1,272,000, or 35 cents per share, when combined with discontinued operations which had a $970,000 operating loss (net of tax benefit).

The comparable period a year ago included approximately $3 million in revenue from a software development and marketing agreement with Unisys Corp. that was suspended in June of 1989. Since July 1, 1989, the company's revenues have come primarily from direct sales of its IBM-based software and IBM hardware products to individual customers.

During fiscal year 1990, the company transferred its ownership in FinSer Capital Corp. to Fred Baker & Associates Inc., a company owned by Fred Baker

who was then a director and executive officer of JHA.

Because the payment of the notes received by JHA were largely dependent upon the operations of FinSer, the transaction was not recorded as a completed sale for accounting purposes. JHA was required to continue to record operating losses incurred by the discontinued operations until criteria for recording a completed sale was met.

The discontinued operations incurred losses of $498,000 before tax benefits in fiscal year 1990. As a result of the continued losses, no payments were received on the notes. As a result, JHA recorded an impairment allowance that reduced the net investment in the discontinued operations and was charged against earnings. These losses resulted in the current period net loss. Operating results of the discontinued operations will not be a part of JHA's financials in fiscal year 1991.

According to Jack Henry, chairman of the board, ''Fiscal year 1990 was a year of re-building our relationship with IBM and re-directing our sales and marketing efforts back to IBM-based products. We feel we were successful in these endeavors and the current backlog of systems and the number of proposals being generated confirm the market's positive response to our return to the IBM world.''

Regarding the fiscal year, Henry continued, ''We ended the year better than expected operationally although our net bottom line for the year ended in a loss. We took action to address the discontinued operations (FinSer) and wrote down the carrying value of that investment.

''The one-time recognition of this loss will prevent JHA from incurring on going operational losses attributable to FinSer. We will continue to work with FinSer management to attempt to maximize recovery of our investment.''

Henry concluded, ''After the past two difficult years, JHA remains a well-capitalized software company with a strong cash position and continues to be a leading provider of banking software.''

Jack Henry & Associates Inc. markets, installs and supports integrated data processing software systems for banks and financial institutions. The company's software systems have been installed at more than 600 banks throughout the United States.

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WOODLAND HILLS, CALIF. (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Avalon Marketing Inc. (AMI)

announced that it had closed a previously announced transaction with BMK Acquisition Inc. (''Acquisition''), a corporation formed by Grauer & Wheat Investments Inc. and Acadia Partners, L.P., providing for the sale of its full service general merchandise wholesaler, BMK Inc., to Acquisition.

Aggregate cash consideration paid by Acquisition in connection with the transaction was approximately $39.3 million plus the assumption of certain indebtedness. Cash proceeds from the sale of BMK were used to retire debt under AMI's Senior Credit Facility.

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David E. Bowe, 818/595-2690

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ENGLEWOOD, COLO. (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Intercontinental Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ:ENTI) announced Tuesday that its wholly owned subsidiary, Toplus Development Ltd., has acquired a 51 percent interest in Paper Communication Holding Ltd. and a 55 percent interest in Web Printers Hong Kong Ltd., both of which are based in Hong Kong.

Paper Communication is a group of companies specialized in providing a full range of printing service including design, computerized phototypes setting/composing, color separation, film making and offset printing. Total revenues of the group for the year ended March 31, 1990, were approximately $1,270,000, with net income of approximately $119,000. Paper Communication will utilize the acquisition proceeds to expand operations.

Web Printers specializes in color separation and film-making services. Management expects both Paper Communication and Web Printers to benefit through shared customer base and printing resources.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Eagle Entertainment Inc. (NASDAQ:EEGL) announced Tuesday that it has acquired Tyndall Motor Co. Inc. and Family Finance Corp. in exchange for 7.9 million shares of new Eagle series A convertible preferred stock and 600,000 shares of new Eagle series B convertible preferred stock.

Eagle has also transferred all of its interest in Performance Guarantees Inc. to its former president, Lawrence Vanger, and others in exchange for an aggregate of 1,956,299 shares of Eagle common stock which will be canceled by

Eagle.

Lawrence Vanger, Martin Fink and Martin Barab have resigned as officers of Eagle. Louie Tyndall, president and founder of Tyndall Motor Co., has been appointed chairman and president of Eagle.

Tyndall and Family together operate ''we finance'' used-car retail lots in the Phoenix area selling quality used passenger cars and trucks and typically financing customers' purchases. Tyndall and Family have been in business since 1985 and 1988, respectively, and had combined annual revenues of $5,916,323 for their fiscal years ended June 30, 1990.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Sept. 18, Peoples Telephone Co., Inc. (PTEL/NASDAQ), today announced that it has entered into a contract with The Southland Corporation to provide pay telephone service to all of its Florida 7 - Eleven stores for approximately ten years.

Peoples has been providing pay telephone service to all of Southland's Florida stores under a contract which expires in 1992. The new contract extends the original contract and is expected to generate $75 million to $100 million over the next ten years.

Jeffrey Hanft, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Peoples' stated, ''The company's ability to resign Southland to a long-term contract is a tribute to our emphasis on providing the highest quality pay telephone service in the industry. Our firm commitment to service has enabled the Company to attract business from a number of large corporate vendors of telephone service.''

Hanft added, ''The company will continue to grow its business by focusing its marketing efforts on large corporate vendors and by acquiring existing pay telephone routes.''

Brad Jackson, 7 - Eleven Merchandise manager, stated, ''Southland is very pleased to extend its mutually beneficial contract with Peoples and looks forward to building on this highly successful relationship.''

Peoples Telephone Company, one of the nation's leading public communications companies, currently operates more than 11,000 telephones in nineteen states.

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WALNUT CREEK, CALIF. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Mission Resource Partners L.P. (ASE:MRP) Tuesday said it has entered into discussions with an independent oil and gas company regarding the purchase of substantially all of its remaining assets, which, if consummated, would result in the dissolution of the master limited partnership.

''There are a number of variables, including the sale of minor property interests, which will impact the final price per unit which will be distributed to unitholders upon dissolution of the partnership.

''Based on current projections, we believe our unitholders would ultimately receive between nine and 10 dollars per unit were this transaction consummated '' said Douglas K. Brown, president of Mission Resources Inc., MRP's manager.

Brown also indicated that Mission did not expect to issue any further news releases concerning the proposed acquisition until either a final agreement has been executed or discussions between the parties have been terminated.

In July 1989, Mission announced that it had retained the First Boston Corp. for the purpose of exploring opportunities for sale or merger of the partnership. Since that time, Mission has sold a number of producing properties and property interests.

Mission now has interests in approximately 475 oil and gas wells which are located principally in California.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Amdahl Corporation today announced the most powerful mainframe computers ever introduced for use in the IBM compatible marketplace. The new processors also offer a variety of reliability and availability advancements not found in previous systems.

The new 5995 Series of mainframes will consist of 10 models, including six

5995A processors for the majority of large-scale data processing needs and four 5995M models for very large data centers with the most demanding throughput requirements. Among them is the 5995-8650M eight-way multiprocessor, which offers nearly three times the throughput of any previous Amdahl mainframe and is the first compatible system to employ eight central processing units (CPUs).

Other high-performance models include the 5995-6650M six-way multiprocessor, the 5995-4550M quad processor with four tightly coupled CPUs, and the 5995-3550M triadic processor with three tightly coupled CPUs. Rounding out the series are the 5995-1400A four-way multiprocessor, the 5995-1100A three-way multiprocessor, the 5995-790A two-way multiprocessor, the 5995-700A and 5995-500A dual processors, and the 5995-350A uniprocessor.

According to Joseph Zemke, Amdahl president, the 5995 Series offers customers an exceptionally broad range of performance options and solutions that can be tailored to individual business needs. ''As requirements change, customers who begin with a 5995 uniprocessor can increase performance more than tenfold if they upgrade all the way to the eight-way multiprocessor,'' Zemke said.

The 5995A systems, which are available immediately, employ the same proven technology and design as Amdahl's 5990 Series of mainframes and have cycle times of 10 nanoseconds, the fastest of any system currently on the market. The 5995M models embrace new technology and will offer an even faster 7-nanosecond cycle time when deliveries begin next year. The 5995A models may be upgraded to the more powerful 5995M systems.

All 5995 models will support the new IBM Enterprise Systems Connection Architecture (ESCON), allowing implementation of high-speed fiber-optic serial channels as well as conventional copper parallel channels. The fiber-optic channels permit data to be transmitted over greater distances, reduce underfloor space requirements, and have the potential to significantly increase input/output speed and throughput.

In addition to manufacturing large mainframe computers, Amdahl is a major supplier of data storage subsystems, and the company announced support of its 6100 Storage Processor in ESCON environments. This support, details of which will be announced later, will include the ability to interface with fiber-optic serial channels directly or through ESCON directors and converters.

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MENLO PARK, CALIF. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Informix Software Inc. (NASDAQ:IFMX) Tuesday announced that its leading line of relational database

management software will support NCR's new System 3000 family of Intel-based hardware platforms.

NCR will port Informix's products for concurrent release with the hardware platforms.

Informix plans to support the new NCR platforms with its database engine products, Informix-OnLine and Informix-SE. OnLine is the first database engine to combine fault tolerant online transaction processing performance (OLTP) with support for multimedia database applications.

With OnLine, users can integrate information objects such as word processing documents, graphs, scanned and digitized images, facsimiles and voice into an SQL-based relational database. Informix-SE is a database engine designed for light transaction processing or decision support applications.

Informix's full line of application development tools will also be available for the NCR System 3000.

These include the Informix-4GL family of fourth generation programming tools that dramatically reduce development time; Informix-SQL, a menu-driven relational database management system; the Informix-ESQL family of development tools for embedding SQL into C and COBOL programs; and Informix-QuickStep, an interactive report generator for building SQL database queries and custom reports through an easy-to-use interface.

Other Informix products include Wingz, its leading graphical spreadsheet for multiple desktop platforms.

With Informix's Wingz-DataLink technology, users will be able to access corporate data from any Informix SQL database via the graphical environment of Wingz. Users can access this data directly into a Wingz spreadsheet or use the HyperScript graphical programming language in Wingz to create a completely customized graphical database application.

Informix Software Inc. is a leading supplier of information management software providing solutions from the database through the desktop.

Informix products include powerful distributed database management systems, robust application development tools, and graphical- and character-based productivity software for delivering information to every significant desktop platform.

Headquartered in Menlo Park, Informix has European headquarters in London and Asia/Pacific headquarters in Singapore.

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SANTA MONICA, CALIF. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Puroflow (NASDAQ:PURO) announces that sales for six months of 1990 were $4,545,093 vs. $3,102,722 in 1989, a 46 percent increase.

Profits for the same six-month period were $382,746 in 1990 vs. $98,880 in 1989, a 400 percent increase. Earnings per share were 12 cents for 1990 vs. 3 cents in 1989.

As exclusive suppliers of G.M. airbag filters, the company is in the process of doubling the filter-making capacity by adding four additional specialized filter machines due to the heavy demand for airbag products. These new machines should be on-line within the next three months, giving the company adequate production capacity to meet this explosive demand.

All divisions of the company are enjoying dynamic sales growth and are looking forward to a very healthy third and fourth quarter. The backlog on Puroflow's valve products line is at present a year and rapidly growing. All indications point to a record year for both sales and profits.

Puroflow Inc.
Consolidated Condensed Statements of Operations

	6 Months Ended July 31,		Year Ended Jan. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$4,545,093	$3,102,722	$7,926,920	$6,771,117
Cost of goods sold	3,051,711	2,245,007	5,360,880	4,940,470
Selling general and administrative expenses	997,579	708,917	1,865,069	1,365,223
Operating income	495,803	148,798	700,971	465,424
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	401,844	74,401	505,592	301,678
Provision for income taxes	70,300	6,900	50,000	129,900
Income from discontinued operations	51,202	31,379	100,000	65,765
Income before extraordinary item	382,746	98,880	555,592	237,543
Extraordinary item - tax benefit arising from utilization of net operating loss carryforward				58,400
Net income	$382,746	$ 98,880	555,592	295,493
Net income per common share:				
from continuing operations	10 cents	2 cents	15 cents	6 cents
from discontinued				

operations	2 cents		3 cents	2 cents
extraordinary item		1 cent		2 cents
	12 cents	3 cents	18 cents	10 cents

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SANTA MONICA, CALIF. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - INTERACTIVE Systems Corp. Tuesday announced that NCR has selected INTERACTIVE's VP/ix environment -- the industry's leading DOS-under-UNIX product -- for release with the NCR System 3000 product line.

INTERACTIVE VP/ix will be available as an option to the NCR System 3000, a family of Intel-based computer systems, ranging in processing power and designed to meet computing needs at all levels. The product line will conform to a common architecture, which is based on AT&T's V.4 UNIX operating system. INTERACTIVE is a major contributor of technology to AT&T for Release V.4.

INTERACTIVE's strategic relationship with NCR dates back to early 1988, when NCR first began bundling INTERACTIVE UNIX with its 386-based product lines.

''The significance of the System 3000 product line lies in its common UNIX-based architecture,'' said Dennis Peck, president and chief executive officer of INTERACTIVE. ''We applaud NCR for being a major force in the industry's efforts to promote open systems standards and compliance.''

INTERACTIVE VP/ix provides multiple users with the ability to run DOS applications in a UNIX system environment. First released in 1987, VP/ix is recognized as the leading DOS-under-UNIX operating environment. Along with NCR, companies such as AT&T, Sun Microsystems and the Santa Cruz Operation have adopted VP/ix as the industry standard.

INTERACTIVE VP/ix gives UNIX system users access to the thousands of applications available under DOS. VP/ix provides transparent integration of the DOS and UNIX file systems, allowing any DOS or UNIX system the ability to access and share the same files.

With VP/ix, the features and functionality of both DOS and UNIX operating systems are available at all times because they run simultaneously on the same machine.

INTERACTIVE Systems Corp., a Kodak company, is the premier supplier of UNIX products and development services to the computer industry and is gaining leadership in the commercial UNIX marketplace.

The INTERACTIVE UNIX (386/ix) family of integrated systems software products is sold through a broad range of distributors worldwide. INTERACTIVE Systems is headquartered at 2401 Colorado Ave., Santa Monica, Calif. 90404, Telephone 800/346-7111. Outside the United States, telephone 213/453-8649.

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CUPERTINO, CA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Tandem Computers Inc. (NYSE:TDM) Tuesday announced that Toyota Motor Corp., headquartered in Toyota, Aichi Prefecture, ordered a Tandem NonStop VLX system for an electronic mail system from Tandem Computers Japan Ltd.

Toyota places the value of this order at approximately 780 million yen ($5.6 million).

The electronic mail system will become a strategic information tool for rapidly processing data between Toyota employees worldwide as manufacturing and marketing operations grow. In the first phase, the system will support approximately 1,500 people with 900 terminals. The system is scheduled to begin operating in February 1991.

Toyota selected Tandem's hardware and software fault-tolerant online system for the benefits of continuous availability, linear performance growth, excellent connectivity to other manufacturers' systems, and the Japanese-language electronic mail software developed by Tandem Computers Japan Ltd.

Tandem manufactures and markets computer systems and networks for online transaction processing, large database applications, and the UNIX system marketplace. Company headquarters are located at 19333 Vallco Parkway, Cupertino, Calif. 95014. The telephone number is 408/285-6000.

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TOKYO, JAPAN (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer Inc. Tuesday announced that its common stock has been accepted for listing on the Tokyo Stock

Exchange.

Shares will begin trading on the Tokyo exchange immediately.

Nomura Securities International is the listing agent. The Yasuda Trust & Banking Co. Ltd. will provide shareholder services and act as dividend paying agent.

''We are honored by the privilege of being listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange '' said John Sculley, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Apple Computer. ''Apple's participation on the TSE is a clear indication of our long-term commitment to the Japanese market. This action further strengthens Apple's foundation in this strategically important market. We hope Japan will become one of our largest markets in the coming years and believe it will play a key role in our future.''

Apple Computer first began distributing its products in Japan in 1977. Apple Computer Japan Inc., the company's wholly owned Japanese subsidiary, was established in June 1983.

Apple Computer stock is currently traded on the over-the-counter market and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol AAPL. The Cupertino-based manufacturer is the first NASDAQ-quoted company to list on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

Apple Computer Inc. was incorporated in January 1977. Apple develops, manufactures and markets personal computer systems for use in business, education, science, engineering and government. A recognized pioneer and innovator in the personal computer industry, Apple employs approximately 12,000 people worldwide and distributes products in more than 120 countries.

For the nine months ending June 29, Apple's revenues were $4.204 billion, an eight percent increase over net revenues of $3.9 billion for the first nine months of FY 1989.

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WESTBOROUGH, MA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - ASA International Ltd. announced here Tuesday that its Bar Code Data Collection Division has entered into an agreement with Software House Inc., Cambridge, Mass. for Software House to package ASA's VAX-based data collection software, Shopkeeper, with Software

House's integrated security management software system, C-CURESystem 1 Plus.

Under the initial contract, valued at over $100,000 including licenses and services, Software House will purchase 10 units of the ClocKeeper time and attendance module, for installation at Software House client sites overseas. Later in the year, Software House plans to purchase an additional 10 units, for a total of 20 packages in 1990.

ClocKeeper is part of ASA's ShopKeeper family of bar code data collection applications. With ClocKeeper, a variety of collection devices is used to capture time and attendance data. The data is then used by the ClocKeeper application to provide management with up-to-date time and attendance information, eliminating time-consuming calculation and key-punching of labor and clock cards. ASA's real-time data collection utility, Wand 2S, is embedded in each Shopkeeper application, and provides the interface between the data collection device and the application.

C-CURESystem 1 Plus is a multi-user access control and security management software system that integrates multiple security functions and technologies for medium or large facilities. The C-CURE handles employee validation using a broad range of reader technologies, including proximity and biometric devices.

ClocKeeper will be integrated with the C-CURESystem 1 Plus database and will operate as a subprogram of the security management system to manage and monitor time attendance functions. ClocKeeper will provide data on what the employees are doing; the C-CureSystem will control access to areas and provide data on where employees are and whether they should be there. Both ClocKeeper and C-CURESystem 1 Plus run on the Digital Equipment Corp. VAX line of computers.

John L. Moss, president of Software House, said, ''ASA's products are a natural adjunct to our real-time security products, and we expect a very favorable reception to this added functionality.'' Software House offers a complete line of access control and security management systems through an international network of over 140 dealers. The firm currently has over 400 installations of its products worldwide.

Said Christopher Crane, president of ASA International Ltd., ''It is generally accepted that the application of data collection technology is further advanced in Europe than it is in the United States, although this is changing. The arrangement with Software House represents an opportunity for ASA to introduce its data collection products to an international audience that is already attuned to the benefits of extensive facility automation.''

Software House Inc. is a part of the JWP Inc. Electronic Systems group. Parent JWP Inc., a public company headquartered in Purchase, N.Y., reported 1989 annual revenues of $1.741 billion.

The ASA Bar Code Data Collection Division markets Wand 2S, a real-time VAX-based bar code collection utility and the ShopKeeper family of bar code data collection applications for VAX/VMS. In addition to ClocKeeper, the ShopKeeper family includes JobKeeper, for labor reporting and WorKeeper, for Work-in-Process tracking.

In addition to its bar code data collection systems. ASA International Ltd. markets multi-user business computer solutions, primarily on Digital Equipment Corp. and IBM hardware, to manufacturing, tire dealer and international trade companies. The firm, founded in 1969, reported 1989 revenues of $23,769,000.

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WESTBORO, MASS. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Visual Technology Inc., a Hambrecht & Quist Co., Tuesday announced an OEM agreement with Stardent Computer Inc. of Newton, Mass. under which Visual will be the exclusive provider of X terminals which Stardent markets under its own label.

Mike Braca, vice president of advanced marketing and technology at Visual, said, ''Because of the very high performance of Stardent's graphics supercomputers, their performance standards for their vendors are extremely high. So we are especially pleased to have won a tough competition to become Stardent's X terminal supplier.''

Wallace Smith, Stardent's senior corporate vice president of sales and marketing, commented, ''Access to the X windows environment is extremely important to a large portion of our customers who are focused on program development and need a low cost seat with X-terminal capabilities.

Visual Technology Inc., founded in 1978, is the price, performance and technology leader in the X terminal marketplace. In 1988 Visual shipped the world's first X terminal, the Visual V640 X Display Station. The company offers a full line of hardware and software X technology solutions including the X-15, X-15 Turbo, X-19 and X-19 Turbo X Display Station models. Visual will introduce a new line of products including color display stations during September 1990. Stardent Computer Inc.

Stardent Computer Inc. is the leading developer, and marketer of a comprehensive range of visualization solution that extend from desktop visualization systems to departmental supercomputers and visualization software for use in advanced scientific and technical applications.

The company markets the leading interactive 3D visualization environment, The

Application Visualization Systems, AVS, which runs on Stardent systems and has been licensed to run on many other hardware platforms. Stardent's products are marketed to government, commercial and research accounts in mechanical computer-aided engineering, computer-aided molecular design, computational fluid dynamics, geophysical analysis, animation and visual simulation, econometric modeling, scientific research and image processing markets.

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NASHVILLE, TENN. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - DeVlieg-Bullard Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:DVLG) Tuesday reported sharply higher earnings for both the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

For the quarter, net income totaled $2,509,000, up from $888,000 in the year-earlier period. The earnings for the quarter amounted to 20 cents per share on 12,250,000 average shares outstanding vs. 10 cents per share a year ago on 7,500,000 average shares. Net sales for the fourth quarter amounted to $25,449,000, a 42 percent gain, compared with net sales of $17,946,000 in the final period of fiscal 1989.

The fourth quarter results brought income for fiscal 1990 as a whole to $4,979,000, or 44 cents per share, before an extraordinary charge of $1,064,000, or 12 cents per share, due to the early retirement of debt. The fiscal 1990 results compare with net income of $2,722,000, or 20 cents per share, in fiscal 1989. Net sales for fiscal 1990 totaled $77,196,000, up 16 percent from $66,550,000 in the prior year.

DeVlieg-Bullard is a diversified industrial concern specializing in servicing, upgrading, automating and remanufacturing precision engineered machine tools. The company also manufactures sophisticated original and replacement tooling products used in industrial machine tools.

DEVLIEG-BULLARD, INC.
Condensed Statement of Operations

Three Months Ended July 31,		Twelve Months Ended July 31,	
1990	1989	1990	1989

Net sales	$25,449,000	$17,946,000	$77,196,000	$66,550,000
Income before extraordinary charge	2,509,000	887,000	4,979,000	2,722,000
Extraordinary charge/a	--	--	1,064,000	--
Net income	$ 2,509,000	$ 887,000	$ 3,915,000	$ 2,722,000
Earnings per share: Income before extraordinary charge	20 cents	10 cents	44 cents	20 cents
Extraordinary charge/a	--	--	12 cents	--
Net income	20 cents	10 cents	32 cents	20 cents
Average shares outstanding	12,250,000	7,500,000	9,218,000	7,500,000 (a)

Extraordinary charge due to the early retirement of debt.

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COLUMBIA, SC (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Colonial Companies Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CLACB) Tuesday announced that the board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on both Class A and Class B common stock of 16 cents per share, payable Nov. 2, 1990, to stockholders of record as of the close of business on Oct. 12, 1990.

Colonial Companies Inc. is a holding company whose shares are traded on the National Market System with the NASDAQ Symbol CLACB. Its principal subsidiary is Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co., which operates in 49 states and underwrites a broad line of personal accident, life and cancer insurance policies.

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WALLINGFORD, CONN. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Dime Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:DIBK) Tuesday announced that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share.

The dividend is payable Oct. 26 to shareholders of record on Oct. 5.

Dime Financial Corp. is the holding company for Dime Savings Bank of Wallingford and City Savings Bank of Meriden. Dime operates nine offices throughout New Haven County, and City Savings has three offices in Meriden.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - ADT, the leading international services company, Tuesday reported record interim results.

The directors announced a stock dividend of one new ADR for every 37 ADRs held to be issued on Oct. 26 to shareholders on the register as of Sept. 28, with the option of a cash alternative of 68 cents (1989: 59 cents) per ADR, payable Jan. 4, 1991.

ADT Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited)
($ millions)

	Six Months to June 30 1990	Six Months to June 30 1989
Net Sales	554.9	484.1
Cost of sales and other operating expenses	(321.6)	(281.0)
Selling, general and other net expenses	(118.8)	(117.8)
Income from operations	115.5	85.3
Share of earnings of associated companies	13.7	14.2
Net interest and other investment income	16.5	6.3
Income before income taxes	145.7	105.8
Income taxes	(12.5)	(10.2)
Income before extraordinary items	133.2	95.6
Extraordinary items	(4.2)	71.0
Net income	129.0	166.6
Earnings per ADR (a)		
Primary	$1.28	$1.19
Fully diluted	$1.23	$1.09

(a) Each American Depositary Receipt (''ADR'') represents 10 common shares.

Consolidated Balance Sheets
($ millions)

	Unaudited at June 30 1990	Audited at December 31 1989
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and liquid securities	1,119.4	1,198.0
Short-term investments	354.7	308.2
Accounts receivable	342.7	280.6

Inventories	69.2	68.7
Total current assets	1,886.0	1,855.5
Property, plant and equipment	1,043.9	921.7
Long-term investments	275.3	111.4
Total assets	3,205.2	2,888.6
Liabilities and shareholders' equity Current liabilities		
Short-term debt	429.7	300.2
Accounts payable	134.5	78.9
Other current liabilities	222.4	254.7
Total current liabilities	786.6	633.8
Long-term debt	984.9	943.8
Other long-term liabilities	271.9	260.3
Total liabilities	2,043.4	1,837.9
Shareholders' equity:		
Capital	10.3	9.3
Non-distributable reserves	480.8	484.6
Retained earnings	670.7	556.8
Total shareholders' equity	1,161.8	1,050.7
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	3,205.2	2,888.6

In a period of global economic uncertainty ADT's service businesses of Security Services and Auctions have demonstrated their recession resistant features. Business fundamentals remain strong and in the present business climate it is pleasing to be able to report that the results for the six months to June 30, 1990 are significantly ahead of the results for the comparable period last year.

Income before income taxes has increased by thirty-eight per cent to $145.7 million on sales of $555 million and fully diluted earnings per ADR has improved to $1.23, an increase thirteen per cent over the comparable period last year. The strength and liquidity of the balance sheet continues to afford ADT considerable financial flexibility to meet and adapt to the challenges and opportunities of the future.

ADT Security Systems is the world's largest provider of electronic security services, servicing over half a million commercial and residential customers throughout North America and Europe. ADT achieved record recurring revenue during the first half of 1990 through a combination of aggressive marketing of residential systems, new product introductions and acquisitions.

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PALO ALTO, CA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Co. Tuesday announced it has received a $13 million contract from Nissan Motor Co. under which HP will supply the Japanese automobile manufacturer with workstations for use in mechanical computer-aided engineering (MCAE).

The contract specifies HP 9000 Series 800 PA-RISC (reduced- instruction-set computing) workstations and HP 9000 Model 375 workstations. These HP workstations will be added to Nissan's existing installation of more than 300 HP computers.

The workstations will be used with the I-DEAS software from Structural Dynamics Research Corp. (SDRC), a supplier of MCAE software and an HP value-added business. Nissan engineers will use the MCAE workstations to reduce time and costs associated with product design, analysis and testing.

Nissan made this decision based on its use of HP workstations at ESTECH Corp., an MCAE consulting company jointly established by Nissan and SDRC.

''The addition of these HP workstations to Nissan's R&D network is further evidence of the growing importance of computer technology in today's highly competitive global marketplace,'' said Bill G. Kay, general manager of HP's Workstation Group.

''Workstations have emerged as the computer platform of choice for manufacturers such as Nissan, and HP has emerged as a leading supplier of workstations for complex applications like MCAE,'' said Kay.

HP offers the industry's broadest line of RISC-based minicomputers, servers and workstations. HP's RISC-system market share for 1989 was 44 percent, more than twice that of its closest competitor, according to RISC MANAGEMENT NEWSLETTER.

Model 375, introduced by HP earlier this year, is based on the 68030 microprocessor from Motorola. According to a May 1990 study by Dataquest Inc. a market-research firm, HP is the leading supplier of technical workstations and one of the leading suppliers of MCAE systems in the rapidly growing, worldwide mechanical-engineering market.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - HSC Software has announced a new multimedia software program that allows databases to store and retrieve still images, video, audio and text, called SantaFe Media Manager.

This product, which will ship Oct. 3, is the first in a family of integrated multimedia products HSC will introduce for the business and consumer mass market in the coming months.

Worldwide sales of multimedia software are projected to reach $1.7 billion by 1992 by the analyst firm WorkGroup Technologies. WorkGroup also estimates that 72 percent of this market will be business presentation applications with 25 percent education, distribution and training.

The SantaFe Media Manager allows users to store and retrieve individual records of photo-realistic still images, video, audio and text. Users can view PCX, GIF or FLI (the standard file for Autodesk Animator) graphics with a 1/4 screen viewing window or in full screen.

It is also possible to search for specific records based on text, values, graphics or audio information. Photo-realistic still images and video can be selected from the database, sequenced and played back in order for a presentation format.

The SantaFe Media Manager uses Borland's Paradox as the underlying engine for the product, creating a fully relational database. Users can view still images or video while simultaneously hearing sound associated with the images. The product can be used as a front end to all the leading database products and is fully compatible with Paradox 3.5.

The SantaFe Media Manager requires a minimum configuration of a 286-based 12MHz IBM PC/AT or compatible machine using DOS 3.3 or higher, with 640K system memory and 400K available expanded memory. An SVGA monitor and SVGA video card with 512K RAM and a minimum 20MB hard disk are also required. Audio requires an audio card.

HSC Software is a privately held publisher of industry-leading PC graphics software including the Graphics Link Plus+ and HSC Image Tools. Based in Santa Monica, HSC's mission is to bring the highest level of PC audio and visual information, graphics and multimedia management capabilities to the desktop.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The Alaska Airlines board of directors Tuesday announced the election of Raymond J. Vecci to the position of president and chief executive of the Seattle-based airline effective immediately.

Vecci, 47, assumes his new responsibilities from Bruce R. Kennedy, who remains chairman of Alaska Airlines. Kennedy is also chairman, president and chief executive of Alaska Air Group Inc., the holding company for Alaska Airlines and Horizon Air Industries.

A 28-year airline industry veteran, Vecci worked for United Airlines and the International Air Transport Association before coming to Alaska. He joined the company in 1975 as assistant vice president/planning, and subsequently served as vice president/planning and regulatory affairs and assistant to the president. He has been executive vice president and chief operating officer of Alaska Airlines since 1986. He also serves on the boards of the airline and Alaska Air Group. As chief operating officer, he has had overall responsibility for the flight operations, maintenance, customer service, planning, marketing and sales functions of Alaska Airlines.

"The board recognizes the outstanding job Ray has done as chief operating officer," said Kennedy as he announced the move. "Ray has provided strong leadership and played a key role in the company's success for a number of years. His promotion is well deserved."

The board did not name a new chief operating officer. "Ray will continue to carry the chief operating officer responsibilities until a replacement is named," Kennedy stated.

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RICHARDSON, TX (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson has received orders totaling $125 million for cellular switches and radio base station equipment that will expand existing Ericsson systems in six states.

The high volume expansions will permit cellular service providers to keep up with the explosive growth in the industry.

The orders include the installation of a fourth Ericsson switch and 40 additional cellsites for the Los Angeles Cellular Telephone Company. Los

Angeles is the largest market for cellular service in the nation.

Ericsson is also installing a cellular switch and 35 additional cellsites in Chicago for Cellular One, a Southwestern Bell company. This is Cellular One's third switch in Chicago, which is the third largest cellular market in the U.S.

The additional switches in Chicago and L.A. will go into service in 1990. The two cities are among the multiple switch networks that Ericsson has operating in major cities across the United States to serve high capacity traffic demands.

Throughout Florida, Ericsson will upgrade its APZ 212 processor and install additional cellsites for Cellular One, which is owned and operated by McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. Ericsson also will expand McCaw systems in Sacramento, Calif., and Las Vegas.

Finally, Ericsson is expanding the Cellular Telephone Company's systems in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications, recognized for its advanced high capacity systems and products for wired and mobile communications in public and private networks. Ericsson's wholly owned North American subsidiary is based in Richardson.

Ericsson ADRs are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ''ERICY.''

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S) Tuesday announced plans for a new retail store as part of the new Valencia Town Center being built by JMB/Urban Investment and Newhall Land and Farming Co.

Scheduled to open in the spring of 1992, the 129,000-square-foot store will offer customers in the rapidly growing Santa Clarita Valley market nearly two acres of ''superstores'' of merchandise and services, said David R. Kenshol, general manager of Sears Pacific Southwest retail region.

''We will be bringing our customers a new Sears with innovative displays and a variety of time-saving customer conveniences,'' Kenshol said. ''At the same time, customers will continue to find the now familiar everyday low prices as well as the quality, value, selection and service for which Sears is known,'' he added.

The store will have seven superstores featuring dominant presentations of brand name and private label merchandise. These superstores will offer men's women's and children's apparel, home fashions, home appliances and electronics, home improvement products and services and automotive products and services. Sears now carries more than 1,000 national brands.

Among customer services and conveniences the store will have an optical shop, photo studio, cards and gifts shop, key shop and a 10-bay automotive and light-truck service center.

Sears newest store in the Los Angeles area is scheduled to open next week in Palmdale. In addition, a new store is under construction in Burbank and a new store opened last fall in Victorville.

Sears currently has more than 70 retail stores in California and operates 855 retail stores and more than 3,000 catalog and specialty stores in all 50 states and Puerto Rico.

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BELLEVUE, WA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Aris Corp. (NASDAQ: LMNT) (''Aris'') Tuesday reported results for the three months ended Aug. 4, 1990.

The 49 apparel stores operated by Lamonts Apparel Inc. (''Lamonts''), Aris' sole operating company, which was acquired in September 1989, generated sales of $60.0 million for the three months ended Aug. 4, 1990, increasing 14.9 percent from $52.2 million for the three months ended July 29, 1989. Of this increase, revenues of the 47 comparable stores (those stores open for one full year in both three month periods) rose 12.8 percent.

Lamonts experienced a 16.6 percent increase in revenue in the Seattle/Tacoma area, 13.8 percent in the state of Alaska, and 11.7 percent in the state of Idaho. Operating cash flow generated by the Lamonts stores improved 41.2 percent (or more than $1.1 million) to $3.9 million for the three months ended Aug. 4, 1990, as compared to the three months ended July 29, 1989. Operating cash flow is defined as earnings before interest, depreciation, amortization, LIFO and other non-cash accounting ajustments.

Aris incurred losses from continuing operations of $3.5 million for the three months ended Aug. 4, 1990, compared to losses from continuing operations of $70,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, primarily due to the increased interest expense incurred in connection with the acquisition of Lamonts and significant noncash charges. Due to these factors, management does not expect to report net income on an annual basis for several fiscal

years.

On Aug. 29, 1990, Lamonts entered into a short-term $12.5 million revolving credit facility with Security Pacific Bank Washington which replaces the $12.5 million revolving credit facility which was a part of the bridge loan provided by LH Group Inc. and Northern Pacific Corp. in connection with Aris' acquisition of Lamonts. The new revolving credit facility is secured by a portion of Lamonts' inventory, bears interest at the rate of prime plus 1 percent and expires on Dec. 31, 1990.

Aris is currently involved in discussions with various parties regarding the refinancing of the remaining term facility under the bridge loan which expires on March 20, 1991. The company anticipates that the revolving credit line will be renewed or replaced if the refinancing of the bridge loan is completed on satisfactory terms. There can be no assurance that the foregoing refinancing will be consummated.

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SANTA CLARA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. Tuesday announced September availability of Microsoft's LAN Manager 2.0 network operating system bundled with 3Com's own value-added network software.

The offering will provide interoperability with the large installed base of 3+Open LAN Manager 1.1 network systems and a common user interface for DOS workstations.

Microsoft's LAN Manager 2.0 offers high-performance file and printer sharing and will give software developers powerful tools for creating the next generation of client-server applications.

3Com, a co-developer of Microsoft's original LAN Manager, has shipped its own version of the network software -- 3+Open LAN Manager -- since October 1988, making 3Com the acknowledged leader of LAN Manager networks worldwide. While adding version 2.0 to its family of LAN Manager products, 3Com will continue to enhance and support its existing 3+Open LAN Manager 1.1 platform.

To meet customers' requirements for software that adds value to the core network operating system, 3Com will offer LAN Manager 2.0 packaged with its 3+Open Menus and 3+Open NBP (NetBIOS Protocol). These services, unavailable from Microsoft, enable existing networks based on LAN Manager to operate on the same network as version 2.0 without modification.

Both 3+Open Menus, co-developed with Sabre Software, and NBP maximize the network functionality of DOS workstations. The menu product provides an interface that simplifies access to applications, network resources and DOS commands.

3+Open Menus also includes intelligence that adapts a given workstation's display to present only those options available at that particular network location. NBP, which relieves DOS workstation memory constraints by making 525 kilobytes of RAM available in a 640-kilobyte workstation, ensures version 2.0 will operate on desktops already running LAN Manager 1.1.

3Com's 3+Open Connection for NetWare, which allows LAN Manager and Novell NetWare systems to operate as a single network, is available separately for LAN Manager versions 1.1 and 2.0 today. Additional software services for LAN Manager 2.0 systems, including 3+Open TCP with NetBIOS, will begin shipping in the first calendar quarter of 1991.

Like Microsoft, 3Com will offer LAN Manager 2.0 independent of Operating System/2 (OS/2), enabling customers to run new LAN Manager software with the variation of OS/2 appropriate for their server hardware and business environments.

3Com will continue to offer 3+Open LAN Manager 1.1 with Demand Protocol Architecture for its own line of network-optimized 3Server products and for personal computers adapted to operate as servers. Initially, 3Com's LAN Manager 2.0 offering will run on adapted servers; a version for the 3Server will be available in February 1991.

3Com's LAN Manager 2.0 with 3+Open Menus and NBP will be available at the end of September from 3Com's worldwide network of resellers and distributors. The Server Pak, priced at US$995, will include server software, documentation and support for up to five concurrent users.

Additional users may be added in increments of 10 (10-Pak), also for US$995 each, or by upgrading to an unlimited number of users (Upgrade To Unlimited) for US$5,495.

A LAN Manager 2.0 Unlimited System from 3Com, including software, documentation and a license for an unlimited number of users on a PC server, will also be available this month for US$6,490.

To provide 3+Open LAN Manager 1.1 customers with a cost-effective upgrade to the LAN Manager 2.0 platform, 3Com is offering immediate availability of its Technology Investment Protection (TIP) program. 3+Open customers can save as much as 23 percent on the price of LAN Manager 2.0 when they order 3+Open 1.1 under the TIP program before September 1991.

-- Upgrade from 3+Open LAN Manager 1.1 Entry System to the LAN Manager 2.0 with 3+Open Menus and NBP for $595.

-- Upgrade from 3+Open LAN Manager 1.1 Entry System II to a 15-user LAN Manager 2.0 system for US$795.

-- Upgrade from 3+Open LAN Manager 1.1 Advanced System to LAN Manager 2.0 unlimited-user Server Pak for US$995.

3+Open Connection for NetWare, which began shipping last month, is US$250 for a single-user license, US$995 for a 10-user license and US$2,195 for an unlimited server license.

3Com Corp. is a leading independent global data networking company, providing multivendor connectivity that spans organizations and businesses worldwide. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports networking systems based on industry standards and open systems architecture.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - PENWEST (NASDAQ:PENW) may purchase up to 500,000 additional common shares on the open market from time to time.

The board reconfirmed authorization for management, depending on market conditions, to acquire shares under a plan announced in April 1989 which authorized the acquisition of up to 900,000 shares, adjusted for a subsequent split. Since that announcement PENWEST has purchased 400,000 shares. There currently are 7.1 million shares outstanding.

Shares purchased will be used for stock options, acquisitions and other corporate purposes.

The company also announced that outside earnings estimates by analysts of 25 cents to 28 cents per share for the company's fourth quarter ended Aug. 31 are consistent with internal estimates for the period. PENWEST earned 80 cents per share in the first nine months of the fiscal year. Final results will be reported in October.

PENWEST develops, manufactures and markets specialty carbohydrate and synthetic polymer chemicals for papermaking. The company also produces and markets specialty food ingredients and agricultural nutrition supplements.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Projectavision Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol: PJTVU) announced Tuesday that Dr. Craig I. Fields has been nominated and elected to serve on the company's board of directors.

Fields, who was unanimously approved by the board, fills the vacancy created by the resignation of Bernard L. Drucker, who resigned from Projectavision's board on Aug. 27, for personal reasons.

Throughout his career, Fields has been involved in various projects relating to the development of advanced technologies. In his capacity as the director of the Pentagon's $1.1 billion Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (''DARPA''), Fields has been a proponent of government sponsorship of worthy technologies developed by American companies.

In July of this year, Fields was named president, chief operating officer and chief technical officer of Microelectronics and Computer Technology Corp. (''MCC'') of Austin, Texas, after serving as director of DARPA.

Fields received his B.S. degree in physics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1966 and his Ph.D. from Rockefeller University in 1970. After teaching three years at Harvard University, Fields joined DARPA in 1974, where he worked until earlier this year. In 1988, Fields was awarded the President's Distinguished Executive Rank Award for his outstanding service.

Marvin Maslow, Projectavision's C.E.O., noted: ''Dr. Fields' joining out Board of Directors is both a compliment to the company's technology and an important development for Projectavision. Dr. Fields' reputation, knowledge and expertise will be invaluable to the company's achieving its short- and long-term goals.''

Utilizing its proprietary, patent-allowed technology, Projectavision is developing a compact, solid state television projector that the company believes will have high resolution imaging capabilities and broad industry application. These include the home consumer market, commercial audio/visual teleconferencing, medical-imaging, computer assisted design and engineering work stations, and a variety of military applications.

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OCONOMOWOC, WIS. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Stokely USA Inc. (NASDAQ:STKY) at a regular meeting held on Sept. 14, 1990, voted to pay the regular quarterly dividend of five cents per share.

The dividend will be paid Oct. 15, to holders of record Oct. 1.

Stokely USA processes and markets a broad range of canned and frozen vegetables, fruits, tomato products and juices under the nationally recognized Stokely's Finest, Stokely's Singles and other brand labels; under customer private labels; and to the food service industry. Headquartered in Oconomowoc, Stokely operates 18 processing facilities in the Midwest, Pacific Northwest and Mexico.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - CEL COMMUNICATIONS Inc. (NASDAQ: CELC) announced Tuesday that it has signed a contract and will produce for the Art & Entertainment Network (A&E) six new documentary features for the highly acclaimed ''Biography'' series to be aired exclusively on A&E during 1991.

As many as twelve more new programs will be created and produced for A&E's 1992 and 1993 schedules. The ''Biography'' series is available to 48 million households across the U.S.

For 1991, CEL will create portraits of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, Lyndon Baines Johnson and Muhammad Ali as well as other celebrities. Charles Grinker, CEL's Creative Director, will be the Executive Producer of these new portraits. Hosted by Peter Graves, BIOGRAPHY, is seen every Tuesday evening exclusively on A&E.

Martin ''Skip'' Waldman, President of CEL, stated, ''This production further expands our growing relationship with A&E, a premier cable broadcaster. The total value of this series if all 18 shows are produced represents over $1.3 million of new programming revenues for CEL and we maintain rights to the worldwide television and home video markets. CEL is currently negotiating additional significant programming contracts with other national broadcasting systems.''

''We are pleased to join with CEL's Emmy and Peabody Award-winning team in this new venture,'' said Brooke Bailey Johnson, vice president, programming and production, A&E. ''The 'BIOGRAPHY' series continues to capture an outstanding audience for A&E. As we near the close of the 20th Century, we

want to keep our series timely with profiles of the most fascinating people of our recent past.

In conjunction with CEL, A&E also plans to make the new shows available to the worldwide television, home video and educational markets.''

Based in New York, CEL is a diversified media company which produces original programming for television and home video markets, as well as providing social studies and history oriented programming to the nation's schools, universities and libraries. Currently, CEL has a number of television series on public television and cable networks. CEL's preeminent educational product is called The Video Encyclopedia of the 20th Century, which consists of 79 hours of historical film moments on 40 laser videodiscs. CEL recently announced it had entered into an agreement with IBM Corporation to assist IBM in its development of video-oriented ''multi-media'' computer products for the nation's educational market.

A&E's rich variety of quality entertainment is available to 48 million households nationwide via 5,900 cable systems. The network's 24-hour-a-day schedule is a lively mix of the best in comedy, drama, documentaries and the performing arts.

Since A&E began in 1984, it has received more ACE Awards than any other basic cable network, including six ACES for 1989 programming. In addition, the network has received two nominations for the Golden ACE, cable's highest honor.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - McGraw-Hill's F. W. Dodge Division, New York and Publications du Moniteur, a subsidiary of CEP Communications SA, Paris, Tuesday announced an agreement to launch a European construction information service in conjunction with other leading European information companies.

The new service, called the Pan European Construction Service, will provide detailed information on all major new construction projects across Europe.

With the forthcoming lowering of trade barriers within the EC and the opening up of major new markets in Eastern Europe, the European construction market is set for a major increase in activity. Western Europe alone accounts for 21 percent of the total world construction market, ahead of the United States

with 17 percent. The Pan European Construction Service, providing data in a highly selective yet uniform format and available in all major European languages, will provide a unique source of new business leads for contractors, building product manufacturers and other construction professionals throughout Europe. The availability of Europe-wide construction project data is expected to provide a substantial stimulus to Pan European activity within the construction industry.

The Pan European Construction Service links seven major European providers of construction project news. Each company, in addition to serving its own domestic market, will provide data to the Service. Members of the Pan European Construction Service, and their exclusive marketing territories, are: Publications du Moniteur (France and Spain); ABI (United Kingdom); Ten Hagen (the Netherlands and Belgium); Schuck Sohne (Switzerland); BauData (Germany); Baumarkt:Data (Austria); and Construdata (Portugal).

ABI, BauData, Baumarkt:Data and Construdata are all part of the MDSI Group of companies, acquired by McGraw-Hill and part of its Dodge Europe Division.

McGraw-Hill, through its F. W. Dodge Division, is the leading provider of construction project news in the United States. Its Dodge Europe Division has similar and extensive activities in Europe. Publications du Moniteur is the premier source of construction project information in France and Spain. Its weekly publication ''Le Moniteur,'' with a regular circulation of 75,000 copies, is Europe's leading publication in this market.

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CINCINNATI (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - John C. (Jack) Dannemiller was elected a director of Star Banc Corp. at the September 1990 meeting of the corporation's board of directors.

The announcement was made by Oliver W. Waddell, chairman and chief executive officer of the $6 billion bank holding company.

Dannemiller is president and chief operating officer of Bearings Inc., in Cleveland. Bearings Inc. is the nation's largest independent distributor of bearings, power transmission products and related specialty items with more than 260 branches in 35 states and Puerto Rico. Company sales for 1989 exceeded $630 million.

Dannemiller is also a director of Bearings Inc. and a member of the board of directors of Star Bank, N.A., Cleveland, a banking subsidiary of Star Banc Corp.

A native of Cleveland, Dannemiller graduated from Case Western Reserve University where he received a bachelor of science degree in engineering and a master of business administration degree in marketing and finance. He has since completed executive development courses at Stanford University, Columbia University and Dartmouth College.

He is currently a member of the Union Club, Cleveland Athletic Club, Lakewood Country Club, University Club, Lutheran Medical Foundation, Boy Scouts Council United Way, Mayor's Prayer Breakfast and is active in the Bay Presbyterian Church and the Area Business and Clergy Dialogue.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM Tuesday announced a new international electronic mail service, IBM Mail Exchange, which will enhance customers' competitiveness by making it easier for them to communicate with their business and trading partners. The new service will accommodate a broad range of IBM and non-IBM systems, and feature an electronic trade directory and a link to IBM's Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) services.

IBM Mail Exchange will upgrade capabilities now provided by IBM Expedite/MAIL, the company's domestic electronic mail (E-mail) offering, and IBM Screenmail, IBM's international E-mail offering.

Also announced by IBM were X.400 interconnection agreements with a number of electronic mail providers. These agreements provide IBM electronic mail customers with enhanced flexibility to reach users of other E-mail services.

In more than 70 countries where IBM Mail Exchange will be available, customers will be able to access the service through leased lines or dial connections to the IBM Information Network, IBM's commercial, value-added data network.

IBM Mail Exchange, available in the U.S. during the second quarter of 1991, will link a broad range of office systems, including OfficeVision, Professional Office System (PROFS)(R) and Distributed Office Support System (DISOSS), to other IBM and non-IBM office systems within an enterprise or between companies. It will support all IBM office solutions, including all OfficeVision platforms (IBM OfficeVision/VM, OfficeVision/MVS, OfficeVision/400 and OfficeVision/2 LAN). IBM Mail Exchange also will support most systems that conform to IBM office architectures or are compatible with the X.400 messaging standard.

In addition, the new offering will provide special mailbox services for

customers or their trading partners who may not have an internal office system of their own.

IBM Mail Exchange will be linked to IBM Information Exchange, IBM's Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) offering. This will enable customers to send free-form notes and messages to business and trading partners who use the EDI services of the IBM Information Network. IBM Mail Exchange and IBM Information Exchange are offered under the IBM Exchange family of messaging services.

The new offering will be available during the first quarter of 1991 in European, Middle Eastern and African countries served by the IBM Information Network.

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FRAMINGHAM, MASS. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Perini Corp., a construction and real estate development company headquartered in Framingham, declared a regular quarterly dividend of 20 cents per common share for payment on Dec. 18, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 27, 1990.

The company's common shares outstanding total approximately 3,916,007.

The board also declared a regular quarterly dividend of $5.3125 per share on the issued and outstanding convertible exchangeable preferred shares of the corporation (equivalent to $0.53125 per depositary share), payable on Dec. 18, 1990, to holders of record on Nov. 27, 1990.

Perini Corp. has 1 million depositary convertible exchangeable preferred shares outstanding, each representing 1/10th share of $21.25 convertible exchangeable preferred stock.

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STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson has been awarded a $26 million contract by the Swedish Defense Material Administration for continued development of the ERIEYE Airbourne Early Warning radar.

The first phases of this development work, which started in 1985, are now complete and the flight tests will commence later this year with the radar

mounted on a Swedish Air Force Fairchild C-26.

As opposed to other AEW radars, ERIEYE can be mounted on relatively small aircraft, allowing a considerable cut in procurement and operational costs for the system.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications, recognized for its advanced systems and products for wired and mobile communications in public and private networks.

Ericsson ADRs are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ''ERICY.''

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM Tuesday offered its customers more flexibility in networking with computers from other manufacturers by announcing several products based on the international standard for computer networking -- Open Systems Interconnection (OSI).

Included in the announcement are products that enable customers to use IBM desktop and mid-range computers to communicate with non-IBM computers and allow IBM and non-IBM networks to share electronic mail.

OSI Capabilities Added to Desktop and Mid-Range Systems

IBM announced that OSI/Communications Subsystem, its base OSI product, will run on Operating System/2(a) Extended Edition and gave details on the OSI capabilities it will provide on Operating System/400(a) in 1991. OSI/Communications Subsystem will enable IBM Personal System/2 and Application System/400 users to network with users of non-IBM computers using OSI. In addition, OSI File Services, a related product based on the File Transfer and Management (FTAM) standard of OSI, will allow these users to transfer and manage files between systems without involving a host computer.

OSI/Communications Subsystem also will enable PS/2 users to communicate with wide area and local area networks of IBM and other computers.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - REGENCY CRUISES INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: SHIP) Tuesday announced that its Board of Directors had adopted a Stockholder Rights Plan under which Rights will be distributed as a dividend at the rate of one Right for each share of Common Stock held as of the close of business on Oct. 1.

Each Right will entitle the holders of the company's Common Stock to purchase one Unit consisting initially of one-fifth of a share of Common Stock of the company and a note in principal amount equal to four-fifths of the market price of a share of Common Stock on the date of exercise at a purchase price of $6.50 in cash per Unit.

The Rights Plan is designed to deter coercive or unfair takeover tactics and to prevent an acquiror from gaining control of the company without offering a fair price to all of the company's stockholders.

The Rights are intended to enable all of the company's stockholders to realize the long-term value of their investment in the company. The Rights will not prevent a takeover, but should encourage anyone seeking to acquire the Company to negotiate with the Board prior to attempting a takeover.

The Rights will be exercisable only if a person or group acquires beneficial ownership of 20 percent or more of the company's Common Stock or announces a tender or exchange offer that would result in such person or group acquiring 25 percent or more of the company's Common Stock.

When the Rights first become exercisable, a holder will be entitled to buy from the Company a Unit consisting of one-fifth of a share of Common Stock of the company and a note in principal amount equal to four-fifths of the market price of a share of Common Stock on the date of exercise at a purchase price of $6.50 in cash per unit.

The dividend distribution of the Rights will be made on October 1, 1990, payable to stockholders at record on that date. The Rights will expire on October 1, 2000, unless earlier redeemed or exchanged. REGENCY CRUISES INC. is engaged in the development, marketing and operation of vacation cruises.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Loral Corp. announced Tuesday that it has signed an agreement under which the Carlyle Group will purchase the BDM

operations as part of Loral's purchase of Ford Aerospace Corp.

The agreement calls for a net purchase price of about $130 million, of which $115 million is in cash and the balance in notes and warrants.

The sale is subject to a definitive agreement which Loral and Carlyle expect to complete by Oct. 1. The closing is expected around Oct. 15.

''BDM is an exception to Loral's intent to keep the operations of Ford Aerospace intact,'' said Bernard L. Schwartz, chairman and chief executive officer of Loral Corp. ''BDM's professional services and advisory business is not within the core activities of either Loral or Ford Aerospace's design and manufacturing activities.''

Loral Corp. is a high technology business which primarily designs and manufactures defense electronics.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Marsh & McLennan Cos. Inc. Tuesday declared a quarterly dividend of 65 cents per share on outstanding common stock, payable on Nov. 15 to shareholders of record on Oct. 11, it was announced by Frank J. Tasco, chairman.

Marsh & McLennan Cos. Inc. is a professional services firm with insurance and reinsurance broking, consulting and investment management businesses. Over 24,000 employees in 80 countries provide analysis, advice and transactional capabilities to clients worldwide.

Marsh & McLennan Cos.' stock is listed on the New York, Midwest, Pacific and London stock exchanges. Its NYSE ticker symbol is MMC.

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FORT LEE, NJ (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - On-Line Software International Inc. Tuesday announced the opening of its new, wholly-owned subsidiary in Sydney, Australia, On-Line Software International Pty. Ltd.

The new office was established to provide Australia and New Zealand with a direct presence for all On-Line Software's products and support.

The Australian subsidiary is the company's sixth international office. On-Line Software's international operation generates approximately 25 percent of total company revenues.

Morag Brown has been named general manager of On-Line Software's Australian subsidiary. A graduate of Otago University in Dunedin, New Zealand, she started her career with Audits of Great Britain Ltd. as a progammer.

At On-Line Software's international division headquarters in London, Brown was manager of sales and marketing for more than six years. Morag Brown has over 15 years of experience in the IBM mainframe environment.

On-Line Software International Inc. is a NYSE listed company (OSI) headuartered in Fort Lee.

The 21-year old firm combines consulting and educational services with CICS, DB2 productivity software, and development systems products that enhance the productivity of IBM computer systems users.

As a Charter Vendor Member of the International DB2 Users Group and a Founding Member of R/AD, the International User Group for Repository and AD/Cycle, On-Line Software supports the IBM user community.

With 16 domestic and international offices, On-Line Software's distribution network services over 30 countries.

The company is an IBM business partner that has products and professional services utilized by all Fortune 100 IBM mainframe sites.

IBM and DB2 are registered trademarks of International Business Machines Corp.

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PALO ALTO, CA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Tab Products Co. (AMEX:TBP) reported revenues for the first quarter ended Aug. 31 of $32,760,000, a 2 percent decline from the $33,561,000 reported during the first quarter of the prior fiscal year.

Net earnings were $1,269,000, comparable to the $1,232,000 reported last fiscal year. On a per-share basis, earnings were 19 cents for both periods.

Headquartered in Palo Alto, Calif., Tab manufactures and markets office filing and furniture systems which are sold worldwide.

Three Months Ended Aug. 31:	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 32,760,000	$ 33,561,000
Earnings Before Taxes	2,079,000	2,022,000
Income Taxes	810,000	790,000
Net Earnings	1,269,000	1,232,000
Earnings per Share	19 cents	19 cents
Common Shares Outstanding	6,710,872	6,579,586

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OCONOMOWOC, WIS. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Stokely USA (NASDAQ/OTC:STKY) announced Tuesday that it expects sales and earnings for the current quarter ending Sept. 30, to be lower than the comparable year-ago quarter.

Stokely Chairman Joseph B. Weix said the decline relates to lower pricing.

''Early this summer selling prices for our principal products declined. This decline was based on buyer expectations of larger than normal supplies being produced. The company felt this assessment of the supply outlook was premature, as exceptional production difficulties were being encountered. Those difficulties, which included poor planting and growing conditions, delayed the onset of harvest well beyound usual dates,'' Weix stated.

''Due to the uncertainty of our own and total industry production levels, we adopted a nonagressive sales policy. We now estimate that this policy combined with general buyer apathy in an environment of declining prices will result in a sales decline of 5 - 10 percet. As a result of lower pricing and lower sales, we expect net earnings for this quarter will be approximately one-half last year's level.

''The outlook for supply and pricing still remains uncertain. There is substantial acreage to be harvested. Further, there is a possibility of significant demand increases related to European crop failures and to our

military buildup in the Mideast. Margins, which have been under downward pressure, may rebound from current levels. The disappointing results we project for the second quarter are not necessarily indicative of results for the balance of the fiscal year.''

Stokely USA processes and markets a broad range of canned and frozen vegetables, fruits, tomato products and juices under the nationally recognized Stokely's Finest, Stokely's Singles and other brand labels; under customer private labels; and to the food service industry. Headquartered in Oconomowoc, Stokely operates 18 processing facilities in the Midwest, Pacific Northwest and Mexico.

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FAIRFIELD, CT (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - General Electric Company Tuesday announced that Lloyd G. Trotter, 45, has been appointed vice president & general manager, ED&C Manufacturing Operations, at GE Electrical Distribution & Control, Plainville, Conn.

He was previously General Manager, ED&C Manufacturing Operations in Plainville. The appointment is effective Oct. 1, 1990.

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KENNESAW, GA. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Retail Technologies Corp. (RTC) has just signed a worldwide enterprise software license contract with the Woolworth Corp.

RTC is a growing software company that develops point-of-sale software for the retail marketplace, ranging from specialty stores to large department stores. The company was opened for business in September 1989 by five busy guys working out of their basements after they purchased a division from their previous company that was in an involuntary bankruptcy proceeding.

RTC secured financing, opened an office in Kennesaw and started the long and painful task of rebuilding an obsolete point-of-sale product left to die by their previous company. RTC has spent the last year rebuilding their product into a very competitive product and are continuing to expand its technical capabilities.

Their product is called ''Retailwerks'' and it has the unique ability to operate on both the IBM 4680 (generally a large store solution) and the IBM 4684 (generally a specialty store solution) Store System Point-of-Sale Computers. They have been a business partner with IBM since 1987 (including previous company), the same time they started working with the Woolworth Corp.

Since then, Retailwerks has been installed in a wide variety of store formats owned by the Woolworth Corp. Some of these store formats are Woolworth Express, Afterthoughts Boutique, The Rx Place and Woolworths. The software is scheduled to start going into Kinney Shoe store formats in Canada in October. This includes such store formats as Foot Locker, Lady Foot Locker, Champs Sports, as well as other store formats.

This license agreement gives the Woolworth Corp. the right to use Retailwerks in any one of the Woolworth Corp.'s 8,500 or so stores worldwide. This includes store divisions from Woolworth USA, Kinney Canada, Woolworth/Woolco Canada, Kinney USA, Kinney Australia and Woolworth Germany.

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NASHVILLE, TENN. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Telecom Inc. (NYSE:NT) and the University of Maine (UM), located at Orono, Tuesday announced an agreement to implement a new campus-wide telecommunications system based on leading digital switching hardware, software and fiber-optic cabling from Northern Telecom.

Called ''SuperNet 2000,'' the network has been in the planning stage for three years and will replace the university's older analog telecommunications technology. It will connect all major buildings located at both the Orono and Bangor campuses with over 8,000 miles of new copper wiring and 396 miles of fiber optic cable. The contract is worth approximately $7.7 million.

The hub of SuperNet 2000, is a Northern Telecom Meridian 1 SuperNode business communications system based in the university's new telecommunications building.

The Meridian 1 SuperNode, which supports up to 60,000 individual telephone lines, will be installed as part of the project to support voice and data communications, point-to-point video transmission of classroom sessions, and various other campus-wide services such as teleconferencing.

In addition, the new network will greatly improve high-speed computer access to other computer networks both on and off campus.

SuperNet 2000 incorporates a number of products available from Northern Telecom including Meridian Mail, for voice messaging and conferences, and Meridian Telecenter, which provides on-screen telephony capabilities.

SuperNet 2000 initially will incorporate 6,000 ports for faculty, staff and students. The system is also designed to support computers and cable television in residence hall rooms, high-speed local area networking, and television equipment for classroom access to the campus-wide instructional Television System.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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NASHVILLE, TN (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Jerome S. Tannenbaum, president and chief executive officer of REN Corporation-USA (NASDAQ/NMS:RENL), Tuesday announced the opening of two additional REN centers, one located in St. Louis and one in Newport News, Va.

These additions bring to 23 the number of centers owned or managed by REN throughout the Southeast and Southwest.

REN Center - St. Louis is a 15-station facility which received Medicare certification on Aug. 17, 1990. REN Center - Newport News is a 26-station unit which was certified by Medicare on Aug. 10, 1990.

The new facilities in St. Louis and Newport News are REN's first dialysis centers in Missouri and Virginia, respectively. REN Center - St. Louis is associated with Jewish Hospital at Washington University Medical Center in St. Louis and is the fourth REN dialysis center operated in conjunction with a university medical center.

Marcos Rothstein, M.D. and Steve Bander, M.D. will serve as co-medical directors in St. Louis and Joe Russell, M.D. will be the medical director of the Newport News unit.

REN Corporation - USA is the nation's fourth largest provider of dialysis

services.

The company owns or operates 23 dialysis centers in nine states and provides acute inpatient dialysis services to 20 hospitals in Tennessee, Georgia, Florida and North Carolina. The company also operates three clinical laboratories. The company's common stock is traded in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol RENL.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - North American Philips Corp. and Brynwood Partners II, L.P. jointly announced Tuesday that they have completed an Asset Purchase Agreement under which an affiliate of Brynwood Partners has acquired substantially all of the assets and liabilities of Genie Manufacturing Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of North American Philips Corp.

Genie Manufacturing Inc. is a leading manufacturer of garage door openers and wet/dry utility vacuum cleaners. It is headquartered in Alliance, Ohio.

Brynwood Partners II, L.P. is a Greenwich, Connecticut-based private investment partnership which makes equity investments in manufacturing and services businessess.

North American Philips Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of N.V. Philips of The Netherlands, is one of the 100 largest industrial companies in the United States with operations in consumer products, lighting products, electrical and electronic components, medical diagnostic imaging systems and other professional equipment marketed under many well known brands including Philips Magnavox, Norelco, Philco and Sylvania audio-video.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Francis N. Bonsignore was elected senior vice president - human resources and administration of Marsh & McLennan Companies Inc. at Tuesday's meeting of the board of directors.

He succeeds Edward O. Cole, who retired after 12 years with the company.

Previously, Bonsignore headed the human resources functions nationally for Price Waterhouse and with Booz, Allen & Hamilton Inc.

Bonsignore has served on the board of directors of the Alliance of New York State Arts Councils and currently chairs that organization's corporate advisory committee. He is also a board member of the National Office for Social Responsibility. In addition, he has served on the panel of Commercial Arbitrators of the American Arbitration Association and is a member of the administrative board of the Cornell University Council.

He holds a bachelor of science degree in labor relations and a masters degree in public adminstration from Cornell University.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (SEPT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Capucino's Inc. (NASDAQ:CINO) Tuesday announced results for the three months ended July 31.

During such period, the company reported sale from its two existing restaurants of $850,693 and income before tax and net income of $4,364 and $2,764 respectively. For the comparable three month period ended July 23, 1989, the company reported sales of $851,106 and income before tax and net income of $44,702.

Net income for the three months ended July 23, 1989 does not reflect income tax expense as the company elected S Corp. status for that period.

The company also incurred a loss from operations of $68,252 during the 1990 period as compared to income from operations of $31,401 during the 1989 period.

Such loss resulted in large part from an approximately $140,000 increase in certain operating expenses, including approximately $35,000 in amortization of leases, organization costs and goodwill arising from the company's September

1989 acquisition of its two existing restaurants and $105,000 in costs related to the planned expansion of the company (including officers' salaries), increased administratve costs related to operating as a public company and additional promotional costs.

The increase in operating expenses was offset, however, by an approximately $27,000 decrease in cost of sales to $238,840 in the 1990 period from $266,166 in the 1989 period, and an approximately $12,000 decrease in payroll to $227,155 in the 1990 period from $239,171 in the 1989 period, resulting from tighter financial and operating controls instituted by Management.

Interest income for three month period ended Jyly 31, 1990, increased to $72,616 from $13,331 for the 1989 period due to investment of the net proceeds of the company's initial public offering and subsequent warrant exercises which offset the loss from operations.

The company also announced that its board of directors had elected Danny L. McDaniel, the company's vice president of Finance, to the additional position of chief financial officer. McDaniel, a certified public accountant who joined the company in April, was employed for approximatley 10 years prior thereto by Ernst & Young, most recently as Senior Manager from July 1987 to April 1990.

Capucino's operates a chain of Italian dinner house restaurants under the name Capucino's. The company has two restaurants in operation, plans to open three additional restaurants during the balance of calendar 1990 and is seeking additional sites.

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ROCHESTER, NH (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Cabletron Systems Inc. (NYSE:CS) will introduce at Interop a new enterprise network management software system called SPECTRUM.

The product is based on the company's breakthrough new Inductive Modeling Technology, which allows a single executive control server -- on any Local Area Network (LAN) in the connected enterprise -- to deduce, correct and report problems to any number of SPECTRUM control consoles located anywhere in the enterprise.

By utilizing a highly graphical X-Windows user interface, SPECTRUM can flag a bad or questionable network component in an instant, showing its location on geographical maps, campus layouts, building plans or even logical network topology maps. It can identify what's on or off, what's working or in trouble

and what to expect that trouble to affect next.

SPECTRUM can also take steps to correct or minimize problems where appropriate. Beta test sites say that the effect is a sense of network omniscience and total control. The product will be available (early 1991) at prices starting just under $50,000 (all prices direct from Cabletron).

SPECTRUM offers an extremely flexible, extensible architecture based on highly intelligent software modeling of each and every element of the network, including equipment, users, privileges and much more. By adding new Induction Rules to its model-based reasoning scheme, SPECTRUM can even capture and systemize the knowledge and preferences of a network administrator.

The heart of SPECTRUM is the Virtual Network Machine (VNM), which embodies an intelligent, comprehensive model of the enterprise network overall and each of its subelements. The VNM is based on Cabletron's breakthrough Inductive Modeling Technology. The company's reasoning-capable technology provides an extremely agile, adaptive and automatic way to model and control complex entities with software; SPECTRUM is its first commercial application.

Inductive Modeling embraces model-based reasoning, one form of artificial intelligence. It creates programmatic models of each individual subfunction of a larger entity. Each of these ''molecular'' subfunction models understands the attributes and behavior of its real-world counterpart, essentially defining its intelligence.

These molecular models are context-aware, interacting with each other to self-adjust their behavior as other subfunction models change status, appear or disappear. This adaptive integration is similar to some synaptic processes of the brain. Through these adaptive subfunction responses, large-entity system models exhibit inductive reasoning. They turn symptoms and effects into conclusions and actions.

Through Inductive Modeling Technology, the VNM models everything that makes up the enterprise network -- every network interface card, cable, workstation, node, user application, bridge or other connection and more.

Cabletron Systems Inc., headquartered in Rochester, N.H., develops and manufactures networking products based on its Integrated Network Architecture, a strategy which provides standards-based products and services necessary to build and manage a global, distributed platform of interconnected local area networks. The company currently has a worldwide installed base exceeding 1.3 million nodes.

Cabletron's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CS. The company recently reported record revenue of $104.7 million and earnings of $22.3 million for the fiscal year 1990.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The Leslie Fay Companies Inc., announced the appointment of Joel H. Newman as president of its newly formed Leslie Fay-Europe Division which will be headquartered in London.

John J. Pomerantz, chairman of the board of Leslie Fay, stated, ''We feel it is becoming increasingly important for manufacturers such as Leslie Fay to extend their operations overseas. Europe is our first step. We started offering directly some of our women's apparel products in the United Kingdom in 1989, and because of the favorable reception we received, we have accelerated our efforts to develop a strong presence there and thereafter on the continent.''

Pomerantz also stated, ''The creation of Leslie Fay-Europe and the assignment of Joel Newman to head it are proof of our commitment to try to duplicate in Europe our success in the United States. With his experience as the chief operating officer of Leslie Fay for the last three years and his background as a retail executive, Joel Newman is uniquely qualified to assume this important post. We are looking to him to determine the best methods of achieving our overseas goals and to establish the team to carry it out.''

Newman will continue as vice chairman and a member of the board of directors of The Leslie Fay Companies Inc.

Alan Golub, who is president of The Leslie Fay Companies Inc., will also become the chief operating officer.

The Leslie Fay Companies Inc. is a leading manufacturer of women's dresses, suits, sportswear and activewear. Its common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol LES.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. and NeXT Computer Inc. Tuesday announced that Lotus Improv, Lotus' new spreadsheet for NeXT, will be available free to all customers who buy one of NeXT's newest

computers, or who upgrade their current NeXT computer with the 68040 upgrade kit.

This introductory promotion will be in effect through Dec. 31, 1990.

Customers will be able to request a free copy of Improv Release 1.0 when they register their purchase with NeXT by calling 1-800-848-NEXT.

When Improv is available, users will receive the product directly from NeXT. In addition, all new NeXT computers will ship with a demonstration of Lotus Improv on the hard disk. This introductory promotion is available worldwide.

''With this promotion, Lotus and NeXT have a single common goal: to provide a computing platform and a spreadsheet that allows our customers to gain a competitive edge by spending less time manipulating numbers and more time gaining new insights into their businesses,'' said Jim Manzi, Lotus president and CEO.

Steve Jobs, NeXT president and CEO, said, "Improv is an exciting new spreadsheet that all NeXT users should see and try, and that many will adopt as their spreadsheet of choice. With this promotion, Lotus and NeXT together will expand the market for innovative and advanced computing technology.''

Lotus Improv, announced by Lotus today, is a new approach to spreadsheets. Designed specifically for the NeXT platform, Improv provides users with dynamic spreadsheet views, plain English formulas that are separate from the data, presentation graphics with data, text, image and sound, and 1-2-3 file compatibility. Lotus will begin beta testing Improv with more than 80 customers in the next few weeks. Based on customer feedback, Lotus expects to ship the product by the end of this year or early next year.

Lotus Development Corp. is the leading developer of applications software for personal computers and information services delivered on CD-ROM and is a worldwide supplier of applications software for workstations, minicomputers and mainframes.

NeXT Computer Inc., of Redwood City, Calif., designs, manufactures and markets "Interpersonal Computing" systems that promise to enhance the way groups work together in the 1990s. NeXT sells its products directly and through selected retail and VAR channels in North America, Asia and Europe.

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ROCKY HILL, CT (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Ames Department Stores Inc. announced Tuesday that Walter F. Loeb, president of Loeb Associates and former principal and senior retail analyst at Morgan Stanley & Co., has been elected to the company's board of directors.

Loeb's appointment increases the size of the Ames board to 11 members.

Stephen L. Pistner, Ames' chief executive officer, said, ''The addition of Walter Loeb to our board is significant and opportune. His strategic perspective on retailing and his extensive experience in the industry are unique. His contributions will be invaluable as we move forward to reposition Ames for the future.

Loeb established a consulting practice to assist clients in strategic planning and developing a public image following his retirement from Morgan Stanley & Co. in January. He also publishes the monthly Loeb Retail Letter. He joined Morgan Stanley as retail analyst in 1974 and for 14 years was named to Institutional Investor's All-American Research Team.

Prior to joining Morgan Stanley, Loeb was senior analyst at Johnson Redbook Service and an international retailing consultant for a European-based management consulting group. He also had a 20 year career in retailing, holding a variety of positions at Macy's, May Department Stores and Allied Stores.

Loeb is a member and former president of the Merchandising Analyst Group. He is vice chairman of New York University's Alumni Council and a member of the advisory board of the International Council of Shopping Centers.

Ames filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code on Apr. 25 to reorganize its business and finances. Ames operates 461 stores in 17 Northeastern states.

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COLLEGE POINT, NY (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - EDO Corp. (NYSE: EDO) reported Tuesday that the Federal District Court in San Francisco had issued a 250-page partial opinion in EDO's previously reported contract dispute litigation with

Dallas Corp.

The decision is largely in favor of Dallas Corp., although the court has not yet made a final determination of the amount of damages it will award. EDO believes the court has made significant errors and plans to appeal the decision once it becomes a final judgement.

As reported in EDO's 1989 Annual Report to its shareholders, Dallas, in its complaint, sought ''not less than'' $15 million in compensatory and liquidated damages, as well as ''not less than'' $10 million in punitive damages and injunctive relief. EDO's counterclaim sought compensatory damages in excess of $3 million as well as punitive damages of over $10 million.

In its opinion, the court awarded an as yet undetermined amount of compensatory damages to Dallas, denied any punitive damages and awarded approximately $151,000 in compensatory damages to EDO.

EDO believes the final judgement, while material, will be less than the amount sought by Dallas in its complaint. The company does not expect any significant effect on its financial stability regardless of the outcome of its planned appeal.

EDO Corp. designs and manufactures advanced electronic and specialized equipment for military and commercial aerospace, marine and industrial markets.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Re Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:PXRE) Tuesday announced that it has formed a wholly owned insurance subsidiary, Transnational Insurance Co., to write direct property and casualty insurance.

With a capital and surplus of $10 million, Transnational is licensed in the state of Connecticut and in other states on a non-admitted basis. Transnational has established permanent offices at 500 Putnam Avenue in Greenwich, Conn. 06830, 203/661-1441.

Frank A. LoPiccolo, Phoenix Re's vice president -- Facultative, is senior vice president of Transnational Insurance and will coordinate Transnational's business development with that of Phoenix Re. LoPiccolo joined Phoenix Re in June 1982 after serving as assistant vice president of NRG Syndicate, an insurance underwriting syndicate. Prior thereto, he was an officer of MONY

Reinsurance Co. and a manager with American Home Assurance Co.

Kenneth J. Moran has been named vice president of Transnational. He will oversee Transnational's day-to-day activities and will be responsible for underwriting decisions and corporate administration. Previously, Moran was a principal in National Business Brokers, which was acquired by Phoenix Re in December 1989. Prior to that, he was Vice President of Sayre & Toso Inc. He previously has held underwriting positions with Lexington Insurance Co. and MOAC, a subsidiary of Continental Insurance Co.

LoPiccolo noted that in keeping with the overall corporate strategy of Phoenix Re, Transnational will initially concentrate on property insurance, although it is licensed for both property and casualty lines. ''Given current market conditions and Phoenix Re's principal focus on property coverages, we plan to specialize in excess and surplus property lines for more difficult and unusual risks,'' said LoPiccolo. ''Our strategy calls for possible expansion into other lines and risks after we fully develop the opportunities within this particular niche.''

Moran indicated that Transnational will seek to establish broker relationships across the country, drawing on the long industry experience of the company's executives.

''Industry cycles often cause severe shortages of capacity for the types of uncommon and unusual coverages we intend to write,'' said Moran, ''which is presently the case given current market conditions. By utilizing the contacts with independent brokers that we have established over more than two decades in the industry, we believe that Transnational can provide a real service in offering excess and surplus lines, and thereby develop a strong base for possible expansion into other appropriate areas.''

Phoenix Re provides reinsurance products and services to a national and international marketplace, with principal emphasis on commercial and personal property risks.

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EINDHOVEN, THE NETHERLANDS (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - In concert with Eastman Kodak company's announcement of Photo CD, Philips' (NYSE:PHG) interactive media systems group announced the new system will be standardized within the framework of the Compact Disc standards set by Philips and Sony.

Photo CD is a new photographic system -- jointly developed between Kodak and Philips -- that can scan 35 mm images and write them on compact discs. These

pictures can then be played back on television with new Kodak Photo CD players manufactured by Philips.

Philips also announced that licenses to manufacture Photo CDs and players will be made available to third parties.

Once the images have been written on the discs by the photofinisher, the gold-colored Photo CD can be played on interactive Compact Disc (CD-I) players CD ROM-XA systems and dedicated Photo CD players.

Available in 1992, the new Photo CD players will connect easily to any television set. All three players can play audio CDs as well, thus ensuring maximum compatibility to the consumer.

Gaston Bastiaens, director of Philip's interactive media systems group, said, ''Photo CD will extend the application possibilities of the CD-I system.''

Interactive Compact Disc (CD-I) combines high quality sound, text, still image and full motion video, computer graphics and data on CDs. All these forms of information can be used interactively and simultaneously. ''The system is simple to use and its versatility makes it the ideal medium for consumer applications in the areas of entertainment, education and information,'' Bastiaens said.

Consumer CD-I players will be introduced in the United States and Japan in 1991. Europe will follow in 1992. Many publishers are already preparing titles for the consumer launch.

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CINCINNATI (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Fifth Third Bancorp, Cincinnati, Tuesday declared a 12.5 percent increase in the quarterly cash dividend to 27 cents per share from 24 cents per share on its common stock.

The dividend was last increased from 22 cents to 24 cents in December 1989. Clement L. Buenger, chairman and chief executive officer said, ''We feel very strongly about the importance of dividend growth to our shareholders. In a time of industry turmoil, we are pleased to be able to reward shareholders without concern over capital ratios or bank regulators.

'' This represents the twenty-first dividend increase in 15 years, since the formation of Fifth Third Bancorp, and brings our 5-year compound dividend growth rate to 15.8 percent. Fifth Third's dividend growth rate for the past

10 years placed us in the top 100 of Moody's 1989 'Dividend Achievers' list compiled from over 5,500 companies in their equity data base, including all NYSE, AMEX, and actively traded NASDAQ companies. We look forward to continuing this record in years to come.''

The dividend is payable Oct. 15, to shareholders of record as of the close of business, Sept. 28.

Fifth Third Bancorp has assets of $7.4 billion and has 11 affiliate banks. The Bancorp has 212 banking locations, including 27 Bank Marts located in select Kroger stores, throughout Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana.

CONTACT: Fifth Third Bancorp, Cincinnati
   Carolanne R. Tully, 513/579-4153

-30- 1672
     #90261b0794 09/18/1990 ~Business Wire
BOSTON (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Tech/Ops Sevcon Inc. (AMEX:TOC) declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.075 per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990.

The dividend will be paid on Oct. 16, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 1 1990.

CONTACT: Tech/Ops Sevcon Inc., Boston
   Paul B. Rosenberg, 617/523-2030

-30- 507
     #90261b0799 09/18/1990 ~Business Wire
AKRON, OHIO (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Ohio Edison Co. said that its board of directors Tuesday adopted an Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) that will be incorporated into and fund the company's existing obligations under an employee savings plan established in 1985.

Common stock purchased by the ESOP will be held by the plan's independent trustee for later allocation to employees' accounts as they acquire shares under the savings plan.

The ESOP trustee expects to purchase about 12 million shares of the company's more than 152 million outstanding shares of common stock on the open market over the next several months.

Ohio Edison's board of directors also declared a dividend of $.60313 per share on the outstanding adjustable rate Class A preferred stock, series B, payable Oct. 29 to stockholders of record Oct. 15.

CONTACT: Ohio Edison Co., Akron
David C. Poeppelmeier, 216/384-5813

-30- 1072
#90261b0800 09/18/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Manufacturers Hanover Corp. Tuesday declared a quarterly dividend of 82 cents per share on the outstanding shares of the corporation's common stock.

The dividend is payable on Oct. 25, to stockholders of record on Oct. 1.

CONTACT: Manufacturers Hanover Corp., New York
John H. Meyers, 212/270-7454

-30- 513
#90261b0802 09/18/1990 ~Business Wire
FRAMINGHAM, MA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The TJX Cos. Inc. (NYSE: TJX) Tuesday announced that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.115 per share, payable Nov. 29, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 8, 1990.

The TJX Cos. Inc. is a major off-price specialty apparel retailer, with 371 T.J. Maxx stores, 572 Hit or Miss stores, the nation's leading women's fashion off-price mail order catalog, Chadwick's of Boston, and 5 Winners Apparel Ltd. stores in Canada.

CONTACT: The TJX Cos. Inc., Framingham
Steven Wishner, 508/390-2626

-30- 725
#90261b0811 09/18/1990 ~Business Wire
GREENWICH, CT (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Helm Resources Inc. (AMEX:H), announced that it has, together with a group of investors, made an investment into SCAT Hovercraft Inc. (OTC), which has been operating under Chapter 11 of the bankruptcy laws.

A Plan of Reorganization was submitted for SCAT by Helm and was recently approved. The newly reorganized company is expected to emerge from bankruptcy during the first half of October, with new stock issued at that time to the investing parties.

Helm Resources will retain majority control of the stock ownership of SCAT and a new Board of Directors will be appointed. The board will consist of three officers of Helm Resources, Herbert Pearlman, David Lawi and Walter Craig; the top two executive officers of Seitel Inc., an AMEX listed company, Paul Frame,

president of Seitel and Horace Calvert, executive vice-president of Seitel, and Stanley Halper, former National Director of auditing and electronic data processing at Coopers and Lybrand.

At its initial meeting, the Board of Directors will confirm the election of Harvey Seslowsky as president of the company and appoint him as a director. Seslowsky was formerly president and principal owner of National Video Clearing House Inc., publishers of data base communications information and magazines.

This company also had the marketing contract to market and promote the music, television and video festivals at Cannes to clients in the United States, Latin America and Canada. Seslowsky sold this company to International Thompson in 1988.

Seslowsky intends to initially focus his management team on building a well financed, highly trained domestic and international dealer network. Simultaneously, efforts to initiate a comprehensive advertising, promotion and marketing campaign will be implemented to bring a greater awareness to the public about the commercial, rescue and recreational uses of SCAT's hovercrafts.

SCAT Hovercraft is engaged in the design, development, marketing and sale of hovercraft vehicles. Hovercrafts are able to be used across all terrains as they are propelled on a cushion of air. They reportedly sell more ''personal'' hovercrafts for recreational use than any company in the world. SCAT Hovercraft is located in Miami.

Helm Resources Inc. is a diversified company with various business interests, including the worldwide marketing and distribution of thermoplastic resins; the acquisition and marketing of seismic data to oil and gas companies; the development and marketing of optical disk software to the legal and financial services industries; the manufacture and marketing of industrial quality control products and agricultural products.

CONTACT: Helm Resources Inc., Greenwich
Herbert Pearlman or David Lawi, 203/629-1400
or
KCS&A Public Relations, New York
Leslie A. Schupak or Joseph Mansi, 212/682-6300

-30- 3094

#90261b0812 09/18/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW MILFORD, CT (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - At its regularly scheduled meeting Tuesday, the board of directors of NewMil Bancorp, parent company of New Milford Savings Bank, voted to make an extraordinary provision to the loan loss reserve equal to the earnings for the quarter ending Sept. 30.

This decision will eliminate earnings in the quarter and is in response to regulatory opinion that the loan loss reserve was inadequate in view of the bank's non-performing loans.

In addition, the board anticipates the bank will take substantial security losses in the next quarter as it addresses the depreciation in the equity portfolio and will reduce the amount invested in equities.

As a result of these decisions, the board also voted to suspend the regular quarterly dividend for the foreseeable future.

According to Brian Arnold, vice president, ''We regret the necessity of taking these steps, but it is important to address these problems promptly so we may strengthen our position for the future.''

New Milford Savings Bank currently operates 12 banking offices which serve Northwestern Connecticut.

CONTACT: NewMil Bancorp, New Milford
Brian A. Arnold, 203/354-4411.

-30- 1381
#90261b0814 09/18/1990 ~Business Wire

ABINGTON, MASS. (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Abington Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS:ABBK) announced Tuesday that effective Nov. 1, 1990, James P. McDonough will become president and chief operating officer of the Abington Savings Bank.

Donald R. Eldridge, the bank's current president, will become chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the bank. Eldridge also serves as chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of the holding company.

McDonough first joined Abington Savings Bank in 1976 as director of marketing. He was vice president-regional manager, Gem Mortgage Corp. of North America from 1983 to 1987. McDonough returned to the bank in 1987 as senior vice president-lending.

A graduate of Boston State College, McDonough currently resides in Hanover, Mass. with his wife Lynne and children Kristin and Brian.

Abington Bancorp Inc. is a holding company that operates Abington Savings Bank as a wholly-owned subsidiary. Abington Savings Bank is a Massachusetts-chartered savings bank whose deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and the Mutual Savings Central Fund Inc. In addition to its headquarters and loan center located in Abington, the bank has two

other branches located in Halifax and Kingston, Mass.

CONTACT: Abington Bancorp, Abington
Donald R. Eldridge, 617/878-0103

-30- 1547

#90261b0833 09/18/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The trustees of MONY Real Estate Investors (MONYREI) declared a first fiscal quarter liquidating dividend of $1.00 per share payable on Oct. 15, to shareholders of record on Sept. 28.

During the quarter ending Aug. 31, the Trust sold six loans with an aggregate principal balance of $16,341,600 for a sales price of approximately $16,286,900. Additionally, the sale of a shopping center in Lakewood, Colo. was completed for a net sales price of approximately $11,264,000, which approximated the book value as adjusted at May 31, 1990.

The following is a summary of MONYREI's results of operations for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990 as compared with the same period of the prior year.

MONY Real Estate Investors

	Net income (000's omitted)		Per share	
	Three Months Ended			
	8/31/90	8/31/89	8/31/90	8/31/89
Total income from operations	$ 1,698	$ 4,545	$ 0.16	$ 0.43
Less:				
Depreciation	218	537	0.02	0.05
Other expenses	1,291	2,708	0.12	0.25
Net income from operations	189	1,300	0.02	0.13
Gain from sales of investments	-	985	-	0.09
Writedowns of investments	(111)	-	(0.01)	-
Total net income	$ 78	$ 2,285	$ 0.01	$ 0.22

CONTACT: MONY Real Estate Investors, New York
Debra Kloper, 212/708-2308

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#90261b0844 09/18/1990 ~Business Wire

DAYTON, OH (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Moto Photo Inc. (NASDAQ:MOTOP) declared its 19th quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share on its $1.20 cumulative convertible preferred stock.

The dividend is payable Oct. 30 to shareholders of record as of Oct. 6.

Moto Photo Inc. is a Dayton-based franchisor and operator of one-hour photofinishing stores with 341 stores in operation and 21 under development in the United States, Canada, Norway and Sweden.

CONTACT: Moto Photo Inc., Dayton
David A. Mason, 513/854-MOTO

-30- 699
#90261b0846 09/18/1990 ~Business Wire

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Champion International Corporation announced Tuesday the public offering of $150 million of 9.65% notes due October 1, 1995, pursuant to its existing shelf registration.

The notes are priced at par and will be non-redeemable.

Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Salomon Brothers Inc. are co-managers of the underwriting group.

Proceeds of the offering will be used to pay a portion of the company's commercial paper and short-term notes at maturity.

Champion is one of America's leading manufacturers of paper for business communications, commercial printing, publications and newspapers. Headquartered in Stamford, the company owns or controls 6.4 million acres of timberlands in the United States and is also a major manufacturer of plywood and lumber.

CONTACT: Champion International Corp., Stamford
Robert Turner, 203/358-6707

-30- 1066
#90261b0847 09/18/1990 ~Business Wire

PLYMOUTH, MA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Plymouth Five Cents Savings Bank (NASDAQ:THFI) Tuesday announced that it will add approximately $4.0 million to its provision for possible loan losses in the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

The bank expects to charge off approximately $3.1 million in loans during the quarter. The total allowance for possible loan losses at the end of the third quarter will be approximately $8.5 million. While full quarterly results are not yet available, the bank expects to report a sizable loss for the third quarter.

Elliot W. Chassey, president, chief executive officer and chairman of the

board said that a higher provision for possible loan losses is prudent in light of current economic conditions and their impact on the bank's loan portfolio. Chassey said the bank expects to meet all regulatory capital requirements at Sept. 30, 1990.

The Plymouth Five Cents Savings Bank is a Massachusetts chartered savings bank organized in 1855 which conducts business from offices in Plymouth, Manomet, West Plymouth, Kingston, Duxbury, Marshfield, Middleboro and Bridgewater. Deposits are insured in full by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and the Mutual Savings Central Fund Inc.

CONTACT: Plymouth Five Cents Savings Bank, Plymouth
Kathy Donovan, 508/746-4600

-30- 1495
#90261b0855 09/18/1990 ~Business Wire

WOBURN, MA (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Alpha Industries Inc. said that its board has amended the company's shareholders rights plan to provide that Scientific Components Corp. did not trigger the plan in the course of its efforts to elect two directors at Alpha's recent annual meeting.

Accordingly, there will be no exchange of common shares for rights. Alpha stated that in consideration for the amendment, Scientific and its principals had entered into a standstill agreement for a four-year period which, among other things, restricts their acquisition of Alpha stock, prohibits them from engaging in proxy contests and related activities, affords Alpha a general right of first refusal on sales of their stock untIl their beneficial ownership falls below 15 percent of Alpha's outstanding voting stock, and requires unless and until their level of beneficial ownership falls below 12.5 percent, that their shares be voted proportionately with other stockholders on all but certain fundamental corporate matters.

A spokesman for Alpha stated, ''We are pleased that we have reached this mutually satisfactory arrangement. The standstill agreement will enable management to devote its full attention to running the business.''

Alpha is a leading supplier of microwave semiconductors, ceramic, and ferrite devices, microwave and millimeter wave components, and multifunction subsystems that are sold to manufacturers of sophisticated electronic systems.

CONTACT: Alpha Industries Inc., Woburn
William A. Krein, 617/935-5150

-30- 1704
#90261c0002 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the

NASDAQ system effective Sept. 17:

Finnigan Corp. (FNNG); Adquired by Thermo Instrument Systems Inc.

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 14:

Standard Oil & Exploration of Delaware Inc. (STDOC); Non-compliance with NASDAQ asset requirements

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#90261c0003 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 18:

Citizens Savings Bank F.S.B. (CISA) to Ithaca Bancorp Inc. (ITHB)

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#90261c0004 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:41 that trade in Baxter International has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol BAX.

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#90261c0007 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Baxter Int'l Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol BAX. Trading was resumed at 10:10.

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#90261c0008 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Belmac Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol BLM. Trading was resumed at 10:31.

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#90261c0009 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows HQ Office Supplies Warehouse (TICKER: HQOS) commenced an overseas private offering through Global America Inc., acting as the company's exclusive placement agent.

The offering will consist of a minimum of 150 units and a maximum of 400 units.

Each unit will consist of 40,000 shares of Series A convertible redeemable preferred stock, and 4,000 redeemable Class D common stock purchase warrants.

Each share of Series A preferred stock will be convertible into one share of HQ Office Supplies' Class A common stock.

The offering will be made only overseas, and there will be no public market for the units in the U.S.

The purchase price for a unit will be $100,000.

If the minimum of 150,000 units is sold, $15 million will be made in the offering.

HQ additionally is engaged in discussions for a possible business combination with its affiliate and former subsidiary, HQ Office International Inc.

The company reports it believes such a combination would allow HQ to penetrate the Canadian market for office supplies and related products.

The company's address is 115 Pine Avenue, Suite 500, Long Beach, CA 90802, and its telephone number is (213) 432-4006.

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#90261c0010 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Nutmeg Industries Inc.(TICKER: NUTM) reported earnings of $783,000, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $20.65 million for the quarter ended July 28, 1990.

This compares with total income of $1.57 million, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $17.55 million for the quarter ended July 29, 1989.

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#90261c0011 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows 3-D Systems Inc.(TICKER: TDSS) announced Sept. 10, 1990 that it concluded a private placement of 700,000 shares of common stock at $7.875 per share.

This resulted in gross proceeds of $5.51 million, and increases the total number of outstanding shares to 13.86 million.

3-D Systems is the Canadian parent company of 3-D Systems Inc., formed in March, 1986 to develop, manufacture and market equipment which produces plastic models from solid modeling CAD data.

The company's StereoLithography process currently utilizes an ultra-violet

laser beam that passes over a vat of liquid polymer, hardening the liquid wherever the beam impinges over the liquid.

This creates a solid, three-dimensional object which conforms exactly to the stored computer design.

The company's address is 19th Floor, 885 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6C3H4, and its telephone number is (604) 683- 4201.

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#90261c0012 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Designs Inc.(TICKER: DESI) lost $381,000, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $25.11 million for the quarter ended July 28, 1990.

This compares with total losses of $866,000, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $15.08 million for the quarter ended July 29, 1989.

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#90261c0013 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Fidelity Federal Savings Bank(TICKER: FFRV) of Marion, Indiana announced Sept. 7, 1990 that it was advised by its proposed merger partner, First Financial Bancorp (TICKER: FFBC) of Monroe, Ohio, that First Financial's (TICKER: FFHC) wholly-owned subsidiary, First National Bank (TICKER: MTCL) of Southwestern Ohio, will take an immediate pre-tax charge to 1990 earnings of approximately $4.5 million.

The charge results from a default of a large commercial loan.

Fidelity Federal stockholders approved the proposed acquisition of Fidelity Federal by First Financial at a special meeting of Fidelity stockholders on July 20, 1990.

The parties announced the consummation of the acquisition is tentatively scheduled for Oct. 1, 1990.

Under the agreement, the maximum number of First Financial shares to be issued is 325,755, based on 616,980 shares of Fidelity Federal common stock outstanding.

If the average bid price for First Financial's common stock during the pricing period is less than $37.88 per share, Fidelity Federal may terminate the acquisition.

The closing bid price for First Financial's common stock on Sept. 6, 1990 was

$36.50 per share.

As of Sept. 5, 1990, the last reported sales price of Fidelity Federal's common stock was $16.25 per share.

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#90261c0015 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:24 that trade in Prime Motor Inns Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol PDQ.

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#90261c0016 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:27 that trade in Prime Motor Inns Inc. Limited Partnership has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol PMD.

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#90261c0017 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Engineered Support Systems Inc.(TICKER: EASI) lost $363,933, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $13.09 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $490,420, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $16.59 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90261c0018 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Aerosonic Corp.(TICKER: ASON) earned $163,520, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $3.43 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $15,922, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $3.05 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90261c0019 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Capital Holdings Inc.(TICKER: ACHC) lost $245,000, or $0.03 per share on revenues of $1.42 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $455,000 (including a loss of $439,000 from discontinued operations), or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $3.48 million for

the same period in 1989.

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#90261c0020 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Information Science Inc.(TICKER: INSI) earned $80,700, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $3.13 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $293,300, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $3.21 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90261c0021 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Metcalf & Eddy Co. Inc.(TICKER: METC) earned $3.75 million, or $0.26 per share on revenues of $92.31 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $4.37 million, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $94.14 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90261c0023 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Boston Technology Inc.(TICKER: BSTN) lost $731,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $6.64 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $404,000 (extraordinary gain of $146,000), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $5.23 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90261c0024 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Southland Communications Inc.(TICKER: SCII) lost $393,118, or $0.34 per share, on revenues of $1.57 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $244,062, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $1.55 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90261c0025 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Xeta Corp.(TICKER: XETA) lost $30,705, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.36 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $342,664, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $764,881 for the same period in 1989.

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#90261c0026 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:36 that trade in TJ International (NASDAQ: TJCO) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 16 3/4. The company is located in Boise, ID.

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#90261c0027 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Vesper Corp.(TICKER: VESP) earned $1.41 million, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $33.14 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a total profit of $2.78 million, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $35.46 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

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#90261c0028 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Krelitz Industries (TICKER: KRLZ) reported earnings of $237,702 (including an extraordinary loss of $25,319), or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $61.58 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $109,278 (including an extraordinary loss of $55,957), or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $45.96 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90261c0029 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Milastar Corp.(TICKER: MILA) earned $96,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $916,000 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $158,000, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $993,000 for the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

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#90261c0031 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the controlling stockholders of Cerbco Inc.,(TICKER: CERB) George Wm. Erikson and

Robert W. Erikson, have executed a letter of intent with Insituform of North America Inc. (TICKER: INSU)(INA) to effect a private sale of their controlling interest in the company to INA.

The transaction would have the effect, if consummated, of making INA a controlling shareholder of Cerbco and indirectly making INA a controlling shareholder of Cerbco's three direct subsidiaries, CERBERONICS Inc., Capitol Copy Products Inc. and Insituform East Inc.(TICKER: INEI)

On Aug. 30, 1990, both Eriksons filed amendments number 2 to their Schedule 13d reports on their beneficial ownership of shares of Cerbco's common stock.

The letter of intent says that a stock purchase agreement would be entered, and the closing would occur no later than Sept. 18, 1990, after which date the letter of intent would be no longer valid.

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#90261c0032 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Checkrobot Inc.(TICKER: CKRB) lost $6.15 million, or $0.87 per share, on revenues of $2.06 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $4.11 million, or $0.75 per share, on revenues of $1.17 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1989.

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#90261c0033 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows PharmaControl Corp.(TICKER: PHAR) entered an agreement Aug. 23, 1990, whereby it received a $300,000 loan from Polystar Corp.

The loan is convertible during the loan term into shares of PharmaControl's common stock at a conversion rate of $0.20 per share.

The loan bears interest at the rate of 1% over the prime interest rate charged by a leading New York commercial bank and is payable Aug. 22, 1992.

Polystar has agreed to make a second loan to PharmaControl of $500,000 on or prior to Sept. 30, 1990, on the same terms.

Additionally, a new director, B.A. Palkhiwala, purchased 1 million shares of common stock in the company for $200,000.

The company issued warrants to Polystar to purchase 9 million shares of common stock, exercisable at a price of $0.20 per share, for a period of two years from the date of the grant.

Palkhiwala was also issued a warrant to purchase 1 million shares of common stock at $0.20 per share for a period of two years from the date of the grant.

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#90261c0034 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Gold Coin Mining Inc.(TICKER: GLCN) entered an agreement July 24, 1990, which closed Sept. 7, 1990, in which shareholders of Dolphin Inc.

("Dolphin"), conveyed to Gold Coin all of the shares of Dolphin and over 5% of the issued and outstanding shares of PDC Industrial Coatings Inc. ("PDC").

Pursuant to the exchange agreement, the Dolphin shareholders conveyed to Gold Coin all the shares of Dolphin in exchange for 2.99 million common shares of Gold Coin.

The shares were to be delivered at closing and an additional 660,012 shares were to be delivered as soon as possible after Gold Coin's articles of incorporation were amended to increase the number of authorized shares of Gold Coin to such a number as to permit the issuance of the remaining shares.

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#90261c0035 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows American Film Technologies Inc.(TICKER: AFTI) earned $3.14 million, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $18.51 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a total profit of $621,680, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $11.60 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90261c0036 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of First Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: FFPR) on Sept. 4, 1990, appointed Angel Alvarez Perez, Esq., president and chief executive officer of the organization.

The appointment is subject to confirmation of the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Perez replaced Mariano J. Mier, who left the institution pursuant to an agreement with the directors on Aug. 10, 1990, to pursue other interests.

The company's executive office is located at 1519 Ponce de Leon Ave., Stop

23-1/2, Santurce, PR 00908. Its telephone number is (809) 721-6200.

-30- 774

#90261c0037 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:42 that trade in Merchants National Corp. (NASDAQ: MCHN) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 18 1/4. The company is located in Indianapolis, IN.

-30- 358

#90261c0039 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 6, 1990, Michael A. Dickerson, the president and chief executive officer of High Point Financial Corp., announced in a letter to shareholders that the company will suspend dividend payments.

-30- 409

#90261c0040 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 14, 1990, Suncoast S&L Assn.(TICKER: SCSL) reported an unaudited net loss of $3.3 million, or $1.80 per share, for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Included in the fiscal year 1990 net loss is an after-tax adjustment of $4.4 million, or $2.36 per share, stemming from unexpected prepayment experience related to mortgage loan servicing assets created from loans sold in several prior years.

Excluding the adjustment, the association's net income for fiscal year 1990 was $1.03 million, or $0.56 per share.

Suncoast reported net income of $2.0 million, or $1.05 per share, in fiscal 1989.

-30- 833

#90261c0041 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 12, 1990, Long Island City Financial Corp.(TICKER: LICF) announced that Adrian Bradford was elected to its board of directors.

Mr. Bradford's election fills the vacancy created by the resignation of Mario P. Tribuno, Jr.

-30- 442

#90261c0042 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 7, 1990, THT Inc.(TICKER: TXHI) engaged Grant Thornton as its independent accountants, replacing Arthur Andersen & Co.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

Such reports, however, state that there is substantial doubt about THT's ability to continue as a going concern.

Arthur Andersen's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 956
#90261c0043 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS (5.00%) OF WESTERN WASTE INDUSTRIES (TICKER: WWIN).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 377
#90261c0044 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

J.H. HARLAND CO OF DECATUR, GA OWNS 603,750 SHARES (23.60%) OF COURIER DISPATCH GROUP (TICKER: CDGI) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 13, 1990, the president-CEO of Courier Dispatch Group inquired as to whether J.H. Harland Co. would desire a representative on Courier Dispatch Group's board. Harland Co. is currently considering the offer.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 595
#90261c0045 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that Doctors Rehabilitation Corporation of America (TICKER: DRRC) has appointed Arthur Andersen & Co. as its independent accountants, replacing Harper & Pearson Co.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 901
#90261c0047 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ROCHE HOLDINGS INC OWNS 67,133,409 SHARES (100.00%) OF GENENTECH INC (TICKER: GNE) OF SAN FRANCISCO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990, Roche Holdings Inc. acquired 67,133,409 common shares pursuant to a merger agreement dated Feb. 2, 1990 and approved by stockholders on June 8, 1990. Also pursuant to the merger agreement, the parties entered into a governance agreement that, among other things, increased the board of Genentech Inc. from 11 to 13 and the board elected two designees of Roche Holdings Inc. to fill the vacancies.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Roche Holdings Inc. purchased 111,400 redeemable common shares on Sept. 10-11, 1990 for $23.50 to $24.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Merger agreement.

-30- 925
#90261c0048 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ROCHE HOLDINGS INC OWNS 111,400 SHARES (.25%) OF GENENTECH INC (TICKER: GNE) OF SAN FRANCISCO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990, Roche Holdings Inc. acquired 67,133,409 common shares pursuant to a merger agreement dated Feb. 2, 1990 and approved by stockholders on June 8, 1990. Also pursuant to the merger agreement, the parties entered into a governance agreement that, among other things, increased the board of Genentech Inc. from 11 to 13 and the board elected two designees of Roche Holdings Inc. to fill the vacancies.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Roche Holdings Inc. purchased 111,400 redeemable common shares on Sept. 10-11, 1990 for $23.50 to $24.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Merger agreement.

-30- 917
#90261c0049 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

E.J. GURAK OWNS 175,009 SHARES (5.94%) OF PROSPECT PARK FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: PPSA) OF WEST PATERSON, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

E.J. Gurak beneficially owns 138,083 shares as the trustee of Prospect Park Financial Corp.'s profit sharing and investment plan.

PURPOSE:

For investment and as trustee.

-30- 516

#90261c0050 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS (5.00%) OF COMPUTER TASK GROUP INC (TICKER: TSK) OF BUFFALO, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in holding.

-30- 433
#90261c0051 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 6, 1990, Atlantic Express Inc.(TICKER: ATEX) engaged Laventhol & Horwath as its independent accountants.

In an earlier 8-K filing dated Aug. 10, 1990, the company reported it dismissed Deloitte & Touche as its principle accountant primarily as a result of a fee dispute.

-30- 521
#90261c0052 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

W.M. AUL OWNS 387,650 SHARES (6.84%) OF EXTEN VENTURES INC (TICKER: EXV).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 332
#90261c0053 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 31, 1990 Anthony O. Brown resigned as a director of Coral Co.'s. (TICKER: COCI) He did not exercise the portion of the option that was required to be exercised by Sept. 10, 1990 under the option agreement between himself and Logan Financial Services SA dated March 10, 1989 as amended July 12, 1989.

-30- 516
#90261c0055 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 30

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 14, 1990 counsel to Stahl received a copy of a letter from the Federal Reserve Bank of New York to Apple Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: APK). The bank stated that if it had authority to act upon Apple Bancorp Inc.'s requests of the bank in connection with Stahl's offer, it would deny the requests. The bank believes that Apple Bancorp Inc.'s arguments concerning the offer should have been raised upon Stahl's filing notice under the CBC Act or at the time Apple Bancorp Inc. filed it request for an extension of time to consummate Apple Bancorp Inc.'s acquisition of Apple Bank for Savings.

-30- 833
#90261c0056 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 7, 1990, Mercantile Bancorporation (TICKER: MTRC) announced that Mercantile Bank of St. Louis acquired the deposits and substantially all of the assets of Missouri Savings Assn., Clayton, Missouri from the Resolution Trust Co. for a premium of $10.15 million.

Acquired deposits were $431 million and will raise the asset level of Mercantile Bancorporation to in excess of $7.1 billion.

-30- 632
#90261c0057 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 6,145 SHARES AT $2.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c0058 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c0059 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,598,330.

-30- 338
#90261c0060 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 3,917 SHARES AT $1.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,489.

-30- 334
#90261c0061 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DANIEL L EILERS, OFFICER OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 1,598 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c0063 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HORNBY TRADING INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c0064 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, BERNICE E LAVIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,063,712.

-30- 346
#90261c0065 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, LEONARD H LAVIN, CHAIRMAN OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 644,770.

-30- 325
#90261c0066 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0067 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0068 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0069 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0071 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c0072 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0073 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,842,299.

-30- 343
#90261c0074 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MAX BOTEL, DIR. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 292
#90261c0075 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DEBORAH A DOVE, OFFICER OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c0076 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DEBORAH A DOVE, OFFICER OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90261c0077 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RICHARD A GREENAWALT, PRES. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c0079 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ANDREW D STEINER, DIR. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,000.

-30- 305
#90261c0080 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT GLENN TOINTON, DIR. OF AFFILIATED BANKSHARES OF COLORADO INC. (TICKER: AFBK), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 240,000.

-30- 366
#90261c0081 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT C BISHOP, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,602.

-30- 330
#90261c0082 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD W ULMER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,588.

-30- 328
#90261c0083 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT J BARTZOKAS, VP OF AMERADA HESS CORP. (TICKER: AHC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $51.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,298.

-30- 315
#90261c0084 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, ANTHONY R WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c0085 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, ANTHONY R WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c0087 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WALKER E BLOUNT JR, DIR. OF ALICO INC. (TICKER: ALCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90261c0088 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WALKER E BLOUNT JR, DIR. OF ALICO INC. (TICKER: ALCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 298
#90261c0089 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, GORDON W BENTLEY, OFFICER OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER: ALOT), SOLD 1,253 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c0090 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, HERMANN VIETS, DIR. OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER: ALOT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 298
#90261c0091 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $11.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c0092 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c0093 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 890,000.

-30- 304
#90261c0095 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM F BRANDT JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN WOODMARK CORP. (TICKER: AMWD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,933,889.

-30- 378
#90261c0096 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c0097 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258

#90261c0098 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c0099 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c0100 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c0101 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c0103 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,645.

-30- 295
#90261c0104 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 305

#90261c0105 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0106 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c0107 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0108 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 29, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 340
#90261c0109 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0111 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0112 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0113 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0114 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0115 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0116 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0117 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0119 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN A CRICHTON, DIR. OF ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. (TICKER: ARSD), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 194,546.

-30- 344
#90261c0120 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JOHN A CHMURA, VP OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90261c0121 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN A CHMURA, VP OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 292
#90261c0122 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PHILIP J FOX, OFFICER OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 299
#90261c0123 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90261c0124 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 308
#90261c0125 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RONALD F MURPHY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 325
#90261c0127 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, KENNETH F YONTZ, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 301
#90261c0128 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c0129 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c0130 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c0131 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW

ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c0132 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 1,638 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,348,635.

-30- 358
#90261c0133 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,526,351.

-30- 390
#90261c0135 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90261c0136 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c0137 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c0138 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90261c0139 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c0140 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c0141 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c0143 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90261c0144 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90261c0145 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c0146 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c0147 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c0148 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c0149 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 367
#90261c0151 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c0152 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c0153 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c0154 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c0155 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c0156 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c0157 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c0159 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c0160 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c0161 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c0162 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c0163 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c0164 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 338

#90261c0165 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c0167 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c0168 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c0169 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c0170 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c0171 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288

#90261c0172 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c0173 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c0175 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c0176 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c0177 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c0178 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 288

#90261c0179 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 331
#90261c0180 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90261c0181 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c0183 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90261c0184 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c0185 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c0186 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c0187 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c0188 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90261c0189 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90261c0191 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c0192 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c0193 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c0194 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:50 that trade in Cypress Fund Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol WJR.

-30- 314
#90261c0195 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 364
#90261c0196 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HARRIET BENSON, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $43.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,005.

-30- 286
#90261c0197 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PIETER P BONSEN, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $44.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,981.

-30- 292
#90261c0199 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GARY S LYMAN, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $45.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,289.

-30- 285
#90261c0200 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JANE E SHAW, PRES. OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 37,978 SHARES AT $45.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 292
#90261c0201 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JANE E SHAW, PRES. OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $44.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,106.

-30- 287
#90261c0202 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c0203 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c0204 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c0205 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c0207 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 446,228.

-30- 315
#90261c0208 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DARNELL MARTIN, VP OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 1,155 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,638.

-30- 311
#90261c0209 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WALTER H ALFORD, DIR. OF BARNETT BANKS INC. (TICKER: BBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 315
#90261c0210 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 1,143 SHARES AT $7.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c0211 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 1,143 SHARES AT $7.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 806,987.

-30- 324
#90261c0212 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HAROLD W KOSTEN, OFFICER OF BALDOR ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: BEZ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c0213 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HAROLD W KOSTEN, OFFICER OF BALDOR ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: BEZ), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,148.

-30- 324
#90261c0215 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 282,750.

-30- 346
#90261c0216 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 282,750.

-30- 343
#90261c0217 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 286,000.

-30- 361
#90261c0218 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 7,279 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90261c0219 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM J ARMANINO, PRES. OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE), SOLD 233,000 SHARES AT $0.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,943,924.

-30- 354
#90261c0220 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c0221 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c0223 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,209,225.

-30- 328
#90261c0224 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90261c0225 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90261c0226 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 29,800 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 588,475.

-30- 328
#90261c0227 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c0228 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c0229 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c0231 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 31,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c0232 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC.

(TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,959,100.

-30- 335
#90261c0233 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JAMES O WRIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF BADGER METER INC. (TICKER: BMI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.49 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 318
#90261c0234 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOR W KONWIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 87,214 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,285.

-30- 371
#90261c0235 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DONALD C UKKESTAD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 87,214 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,285.

-30- 377
#90261c0236 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOMAS E WINTER, DIR. OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 100,103 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 861,171.

-30- 327
#90261c0237 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c0239 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $2.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c0240 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c0241 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c0242 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c0243 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c0244 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c0245 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Prime Motor Inns Inc. Limited Partnership has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol PMP. Trading was resumed at 14:48.

-30- 393
#90261c0247 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 155,000 SHARES AT $2.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 489,000.

-30- 337
#90261c0248 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 19, 1990, ROBERT A KEEGAN, VP OF BONNEVILLE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: BPCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c0249 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $11.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c0250 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c0251 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c0252 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 84,100.

-30- 336
#90261c0253 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 187 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c0255 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c0256 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c0257 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c0258 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c0259 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c0260 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c0261 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c0263 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c0264 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 487 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c0265 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 3,637 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c0266 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,650 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c0267 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 225 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c0268 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 698 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,406,384.

-30- 352
#90261c0269 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, MICHAEL MINIKES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c0271 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, UZI ZUCKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 97,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90261c0272 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c0273 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c0274 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 22,700 SHARES AT $5.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 161,419.

-30- 327
#90261c0275 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c0276 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c0277 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c0279 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY

GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 575 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90261c0280 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c0281 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c0282 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c0283 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c0284 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c0285 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY

GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,752,947.

-30- 362
#90261c0287 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATHAN SHAPIRO, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c0288 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATHAN SHAPIRO, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,250.

-30- 351
#90261c0289 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT SHAPIRO, BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,400.

-30- 329
#90261c0290 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT SHAPIRO, BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 117,000.

-30- 333
#90261c0291 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, SHERWOOD J TARLOW, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290

#90261c0292 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SHERWOOD J TARLOW, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB), SOLD 16,656 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,822.

-30- 330
#90261c0293 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROGER LEE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAESARS WORLD INC. (TICKER: CAW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,000.

-30- 327
#90261c0295 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c0296 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,194.

-30- 330
#90261c0297 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALAN PARSOW, DIR. OF CAMPBELL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CCH), SOLD 10,850 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,536.

-30- 321
#90261c0298 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, GEORGE KERN, OFFICER OF CONTEL CELLULAR INC. (TICKER:

CCXL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 316
#90261c0299 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $27.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c0300 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 393,137.

-30- 342
#90261c0301 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Prime Motor Inns Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol PDQ. Trading was resumed at 14:57.

-30- 353
#90261c0303 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c0304 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c0305 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c0306 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c0307 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c0308 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,700 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c0309 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c0311 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHARLES T CONDY, SHAREHOLDER OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c0312 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHARLES T CONDY, SHAREHOLDER OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,483,373.

-30- 334
#90261c0313 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 15, 1988, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 7,407 SHARES AT $3.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,738,764.

-30- 328
#90261c0314 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1989, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 4,332 SHARES AT $3.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,433,279.

-30- 328
#90261c0315 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 24, 1989, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,466 SHARES AT $3.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,759,401.

-30- 328
#90261c0316 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c0317 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c0319 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN E GRONINGER, DIR. OF CONSUMERS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,837.

-30- 331
#90261c0320 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN E GRONINGER, DIR. OF CONSUMERS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,495.

-30- 333
#90261c0321 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PETER T MAHER, DIR. OF COMFED BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 311
#90261c0322 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT C BURGESS, DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 305
#90261c0323 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JAMES W CLARK, OFFICER OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,250.

-30- 314
#90261c0324 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WILLIAM W GASTON, DIR. OF GOLDEN POULTRY CO. (TICKER: CHIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,357.

-30- 316
#90261c0325 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c0327 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,550.

-30- 334
#90261c0328 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c0329 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 331
#90261c0330 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ALLAN S HOLDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $12.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,940.

-30- 350
#90261c0331 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM R KUNTZ JR, VP OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90261c0332 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLIAM R KUNTZ JR, VP OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,835.

-30- 324
#90261c0333 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ARTHUR J NAGLE, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,000.

-30- 324
#90261c0335 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90261c0336 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 167,102.

-30- 303
#90261c0337 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1989, HERBERT C PELL III, DIR. OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE), BOUGHT 54,904 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING

INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,904.

-30- 342
#90261c0338 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL L DOWLING, DIR. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 2,325 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c0339 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, GOLDEN OIL CO, BEN. OWNER OF COBB RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: COBB), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,006,603.

-30- 336
#90261c0340 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WESLEY J BAHR, DIR. OF COLLECTIVE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: COFD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 312
#90261c0341 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CHARLES J MOHR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c0343 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ARTHUR O STERN, OFFICER OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,558.

-30- 322
#90261c0344 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLIAM R FROGGE III, VP OF COLORADO NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: COLC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,209.

-30- 341
#90261c0345 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ARTHUR C BASS, PRES. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), SOLD 69,053 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,947.

-30- 323
#90261c0346 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES A STEINBACK, BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 12,600 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c0347 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES A STEINBACK, BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 556,800.

-30- 320
#90261c0348 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EVA D PEREZ, OFFICER OF CARE PLUS INC. (TICKER: CPLS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c0349 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EVA D PEREZ, OFFICER OF CARE PLUS INC. (TICKER: CPLS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c0351 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c0352 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c0353 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c0354 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c0355 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c0356 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,544,962.

-30- 315
#90261c0357 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GREGORY E PETSCH, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 18,600 SHARES AT $55.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90261c0359 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 850 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90261c0360 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $52.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c0361 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $52.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c0362 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $52.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c0363 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 172 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90261c0364 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BENJAMIN M ROSEN, DIR. OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,244.

-30- 321
#90261c0365 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LOUART CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF CERTRON CORP. (TICKER: CRTN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c0367 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, SANDRA A KNELL, OFFICER OF COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: CRV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0368 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SANDRA A KNELL, OFFICER OF COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: CRV), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,490.

-30- 341
#90261c0369 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MICHAEL M TOMIC, DIR. OF CHAMPIONS SPORTS INC. (TICKER: CSBR), SOLD 750,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,979,999.

-30- 340
#90261c0370 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROBERT G SWEIFACH, DIR. OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,000.

-30- 318
#90261c0371 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, PAUL W CHRISTENSEN JR, DIR. OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,001.

-30- 330
#90261c0372 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, WILLIAM A FRIEDLANDER, DIR. OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,101.

-30- 328
#90261c0373 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HARVEY A BOOKSTEIN, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,000.

-30- 322
#90261c0375 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c0376 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c0377 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c0378 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 105,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 396,900.

-30- 321
#90261c0379 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GERALD J MALYS, VP OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), SOLD 1,156 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 306
#90261c0380 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0381 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c0383 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0384 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0385 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0386 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,229.

-30- 318
#90261c0387 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1989, EDWARD R FUNK, CHAIRMAN OF DANNINGER MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: DANN), BOUGHT 10,430 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90261c0388 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0389 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c0391 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, BRENTON S HALSEY, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c0392 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, BRENTON S HALSEY, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,932.

-30- 328
#90261c0393 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, A GILFILLAN GRAEME, DIR. OF DYNASTY CLASSICS CORP. (TICKER: DNST), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 320
#90261c0394 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90261c0395 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c0396 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 314
#90261c0397 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL G KALMAN, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c0399 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES A KNISTER, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c0400 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JAMES A KNISTER, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,290.

-30- 298
#90261c0401 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, TIMOTHY J FRETTHOLD, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,855.

-30- 343
#90261c0402 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROGER R HEMMINGHAUS, CHAIRMAN OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0403 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROGER R HEMMINGHAUS, CHAIRMAN OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,432.

-30- 333
#90261c0404 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, A W O'DONNELL, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,606.

-30- 337
#90261c0405 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J E PRATER, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,056.

-30- 331
#90261c0407 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $5.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c0408 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 14,600 SHARES AT $5.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c0409 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.39 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c0410 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $5.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,448,716.

-30- 337
#90261c0411 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN D ZAHARSON, VP OF DOWNEY SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOC. (TICKER: DSL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,775.

-30- 349
#90261c0412 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c0413 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90261c0415 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GREGORY L SMITH, OFFICER OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90261c0416 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GREGORY L SMITH, OFFICER OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER:

DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,812.

-30- 306
#90261c0417 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c0418 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90261c0419 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c0420 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 4,800 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c0421 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 431,750.

-30- 317
#90261c0423 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c0424 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c0425 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 257,415.

-30- 307
#90261c0426 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM E S CHRISTIANSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EQUIPMENT CO. OF AMERICA (TICKER: ECOA), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 402,708.

-30- 367
#90261c0427 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 999,999 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90261c0428 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90261c0429 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 567,000 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90261c0431 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 340 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000,000.

-30- 341
#90261c0432 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 412,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,079,166.

-30- 329
#90261c0433 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 2,782,494 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c0434 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 605,006 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c0435 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $3.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 286

#90261c0436 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,434,500.

-30- 329
#90261c0437 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CAROLYN J TOBIAS, VP OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS), SOLD 6,250 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c0439 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,750.

-30- 321
#90261c0440 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c0441 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,550.

-30- 317
#90261c0442 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT G JONES, DIR. OF SANIFILL INC. (TICKER: FIL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 300
#90261c0443 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, BEN A VALOCCHI, DIR. OF FLAGSHIP FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FLGF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 325
#90261c0444 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 19, 1990, CLARK H MASTERS, VP OF FLOATING POINT SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FLP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,700.

-30- 324
#90261c0445 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GREGORY G BALDWIN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0447 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, J BOYD BERT JR, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 845.

-30- 331
#90261c0448 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES A DAILEY, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,007.

-30- 343
#90261c0449 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 6,077 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 336.

-30- 298
#90261c0450 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,781.

-30- 304
#90261c0451 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, KATHERINE AUGUST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 234 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90261c0452 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, KATHERINE AUGUST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,500.

-30- 354
#90261c0453 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c0455 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 298

#90261c0456 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 7,600 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,400.

-30- 336
#90261c0457 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FARLEY INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), SOLD 3,750,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,250,000.

-30- 330
#90261c0458 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THOMAS J DIETZ, VP OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c0459 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THOMAS J DIETZ, VP OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,233.

-30- 330
#90261c0460 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HOWARD H HAWORTH, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 18,900 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,469.

-30- 317
#90261c0461 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES R LEE, VP OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), SOLD

1,500 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c0463 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ANITA L WALLGREN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CO. (TICKER: GACC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,005.

-30- 340
#90261c0464 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $53.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0465 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $52.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0466 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $51.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0467 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,114,100.

-30- 345
#90261c0468 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN J LOUIS JR, DIR. OF GANNETT CO. (TICKER: GCI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800,538.

-30- 299
#90261c0469 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, NEAL A DEGERSTROM, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: GDEX), BOUGHT 910,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,393,988.

-30- 340
#90261c0471 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FREDERICK D BERKELEY, CHAIRMAN OF GRAHAM CORP. (TICKER: GHM), SOLD 21,505 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 173,052.

-30- 318
#90261c0472 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c0473 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c0474 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288

#90261c0475 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 989 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c0476 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c0477 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c0479 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT M FRIEDLAND, DIR. OF GALACTIC RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: GLC), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $3.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,000.

-30- 335
#90261c0480 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, A I DRAZIN, VP OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 300
#90261c0481 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRED HELLER, CHAIRMAN OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0482 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRED HELLER, CHAIRMAN OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175,840.

-30- 317
#90261c0483 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ARMAND NOSSEN, VP OF GREENMAN BROTHERS INC. (TICKER: GMN), SOLD 1,709 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,250.

-30- 309
#90261c0484 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c0485 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c0487 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 6,800 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,600.

-30- 317
#90261c0488 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RALPH T MCELVENNY JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GOLDEN OIL CO. (DEL) (TICKER: GOCO), BOUGHT 80,516 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 871,525.

-30- 378
#90261c0489 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90261c0490 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 30,076 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 905,113.

-30- 370
#90261c0491 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EDWIN G GENERES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GTS CORP. (TICKER: GTSC), SOLD 26,400 SHARES AT $5.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,200.

-30- 321
#90261c0492 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RESEARCH INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF GREATER WASHINGTON INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: GWA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 136,200.

-30- 363
#90261c0493 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JACKIE R SKINNER, SHAREHOLDER OF HALLIBURTON CO. (TICKER: HAL), SOLD 1,003 SHARES AT $55.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,188.

-30- 323

#90261c0495 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,000.

-30- 332
#90261c0496 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, DAVID S LAWI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,000.

-30- 331
#90261c0497 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HERBERT M PEARLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), BOUGHT 120,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 120,000.

-30- 328
#90261c0498 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90261c0499 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c0500 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c0501 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,939.

-30- 299
#90261c0503 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0504 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0505 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 317
#90261c0506 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES M BROSTOWITZ, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,886.

-30- 320
#90261c0507 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c0508 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 411,500.

-30- 306
#90261c0509 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 31, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 28,000 SHARES AT $1.89 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 710,000.

-30- 304
#90261c0511 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 54,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90261c0512 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 09, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90261c0513 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 17, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 522,750.

-30- 304
#90261c0514 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $2.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 468,750.

-30- 304
#90261c0515 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 14,750 SHARES AT $0.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 957,284.

-30- 304
#90261c0516 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 22, 1988, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c0517 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 23, 1988, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 704,750.

-30- 302
#90261c0519 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 04, 1990, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 853,052.

-30- 302
#90261c0520 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 359,083 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 493,969.

-30- 304
#90261c0521 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 09, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c0522 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 17, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c0523 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CHARLES E HARRIS, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0524 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, CHARLES E HARRIS, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 539,724.

-30- 340
#90261c0525 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WILLIAM R POLK, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c0527 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PHILIP M SKIDMORE, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,500.

-30- 333
#90261c0528 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PATRICK W HOPPER, DIR. OF HEALTH INSURANCE OF VERMONT, INC (TICKER: HIVT), BOUGHT 3,053 SHARES AT $7.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 134,686.

-30- 345
#90261c0529 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 16, 1990, JAY O MARGOLIES, PRES. OF HOLLAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOLL), BOUGHT 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,292,137.

-30- 329
#90261c0530 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 16, 1990, MICHAEL MARGOLIES, CHAIRMAN OF HOLLAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOLL), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,800,987.

-30- 334
#90261c0531 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LARRY D HORNBECK, CHAIRMAN OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HOSS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 257,710.

-30- 344
#90261c0532 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN L SILVA, OFFICER OF HOME PORT BANCORP INC. (TICKER: HPBC), SOLD 3,800 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c0533 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RICHARD W SCHULZE, VP OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 5,539.

-30- 323
#90261c0535 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF HYDE ATHLETIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HYDE), BOUGHT 3,192 SHARES AT $3.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 310,500.

-30- 349
#90261c0536 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RICHARD L BARKHURST, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP. (TICKER: I), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 350
#90261c0537 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c0538 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c0539 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c0540 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c0541 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c0543 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c0544 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DALE W PHILLIPS, VP OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL CORP. (TICKER: ICRR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,649.

-30- 320
#90261c0545 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0546 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0547 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0548 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 115,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c0549 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0551 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0552 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c0553 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c0554 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0555 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0556 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0557 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0559 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0560 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0561 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0562 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,519,979.

-30- 345
#90261c0563 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0564 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0565 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c0567 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90261c0568 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ALAN H HUGGINS, VP OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,450 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c0569 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ALAN H HUGGINS, VP OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 550 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,007.

-30- 336
#90261c0570 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, WILLIAM D ALLEN, VP OF INDUSTRIAL FUNDING CORP. (TICKER: IFDC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 318
#90261c0571 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN C APPEL, VP OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,135.

-30- 337
#90261c0572 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, INTER-REGIONAL STK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 73,900 SHARES AT $6.61 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90261c0573 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PAUL E REINKEN, DIR. OF IFR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IFRS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,967.

-30- 306
#90261c0575 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL J JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF II-VI INC. (TICKER: IIVI), BOUGHT 1,215 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 468,697.

-30- 305
#90261c0576 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL J JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF II-VI INC. (TICKER: IIVI), BOUGHT 1,215 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 344,338.

-30- 307
#90261c0577 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM B FAZAKERLY, PRES. OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 56,571 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 320,571.

-30- 322
#90261c0578 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DANIEL R HAFEMAN, OFFICER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 13,714 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,429.

-30- 322
#90261c0579 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, INTERVEN II LP, BEN. OWNER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 54,002 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 963,506.

-30- 327
#90261c0580 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, STEPHEN M MCLAUGHLIN, OFFICER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,743.

-30- 326
#90261c0581 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DON V INGRAM, BEN. OWNER OF IMCO RECYCLING INC. (TICKER: IMRI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800,571.

-30- 328
#90261c0583 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT T BUEHL, DIR. OF INDIANA BANCSHARES INC (TICKER: INBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,934.

-30- 337
#90261c0584 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, PETER BALJET, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY CORP. (TICKER: INT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 845.

-30- 313
#90261c0585 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c0586 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 14, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c0587 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 26, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 9,600 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c0588 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0589 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1989, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), BOUGHT 1,020 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,640.

-30- 316
#90261c0591 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c0592 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,040.

-30- 314
#90261c0593 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS.

(TICKER: IPG), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $32.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c0594 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c0595 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 161,517.

-30- 334
#90261c0596 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DEREK LIDOW, DIV. OFFICER OF INTERNATIONAL RECTIFIER CORP. (TICKER: IRF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 252,185.

-30- 337
#90261c0597 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PHILLIP B ROONEY, DIR. OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c0599 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ALAN DWIGHT BROWNING, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 349
#90261c0600 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JEFFERIES GROUP INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), SOLD 1,364 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90261c0601 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c0602 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 975 SHARES AT $11.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0603 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c0604 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF KANEB SERVICES INC. (TICKER: KAB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 295
#90261c0605 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF KANEB SERVICES INC. (TICKER: KAB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,000.

-30- 295
#90261c0607 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GEORGE A PETERKIN JR, PRES. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 552,910.

-30- 308
#90261c0608 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN H VRZALIK SR, VP OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c0609 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN H VRZALIK SR, VP OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI), SOLD 10,500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,404.

-30- 321
#90261c0610 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 17,737 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c0611 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,008 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c0612 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c0613 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c0615 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,302.

-30- 328
#90261c0616 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c0617 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90261c0618 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90261c0619 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 05, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90261c0620 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90261c0621 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,220.

-30- 331
#90261c0623 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES B STUZIN, CHAIRMAN OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c0624 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES B STUZIN, CHAIRMAN OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,676 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 644,070.

-30- 344
#90261c0625 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, RUTH E STUZIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,676 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 711,208.

-30- 382
#90261c0626 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM G COMBS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $41.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,300.

-30- 344
#90261c0627 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, GENERAL ELECTRIC CO, BEN. OWNER OF LODGISTIX INC. (TICKER: LDGX), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0628 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 26, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c0629 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c0631 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HUGH M PETERS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 5,333 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,833.

-30- 322
#90261c0632 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOYCE A RIZZO, DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 5,333 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,333.

-30- 295
#90261c0633 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT M RUBIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 26,666 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90261c0634 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0635 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0636 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0637 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0639 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0640 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0641 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c0642 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0643 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0644 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0645 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0647 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,200 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0648 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c0649 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0650 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,861,496.

-30- 365
#90261c0651 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 463 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c0652 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 4,499 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 327

#90261c0653 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 6,551 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 327

#90261c0655 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 6,272 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327

#90261c0656 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 144 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323

#90261c0657 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $81.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309

#90261c0658 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $77.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309

#90261c0659 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $74.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,511,493.

-30- 352
#90261c0660 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c0661 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c0663 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c0664 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90261c0665 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c0666 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c0667 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32.

-30- 352
#90261c0668 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90261c0669 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 13,600 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90261c0671 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $5.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90261c0672 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90261c0673 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 22,500 SHARES AT $4.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90261c0674 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 8,400 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90261c0675 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $4.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90261c0676 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90261c0677 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90261c0679 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 26, 1989, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $25.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c0680 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1989, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 225 SHARES AT $25.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c0681 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 22, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90261c0682 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $37.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90261c0683 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $38.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c0684 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $15.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90261c0685 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 27,300 SHARES AT $15.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90261c0687 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90261c0688 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,890,500.

-30- 375
#90261c0689 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ALAN D NOLET, OFFICER OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90261c0690 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ALAN D NOLET, OFFICER OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,179.

-30- 315
#90261c0691 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAN JOHANNESSEN, VP OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 332
#90261c0692 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DAVID M MOSS, BEN. OWNER OF CATALINA LIGHTING INC. (TICKER: LTG), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 826,582.

-30- 330
#90261c0693 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c0695 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 45,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0696 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0697 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c0698 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 51,000 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0699 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:40 that trade in NewMill Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: NMSB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3. The company is located in New Milford, CT.

-30- 342
#90261c0700 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c0701 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $3.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 541,180.

-30- 340
#90261c0703 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 12, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90261c0704 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 16, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90261c0705 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 24, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c0706 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90261c0707 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,285.

-30- 293
#90261c0708 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GARY R SMITH, VP OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 1,337 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c0709 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOSEPH L GUARRIELLO, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90261c0711 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c0712 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 355,840.

-30- 333
#90261c0713 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c0714 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN CAMPBELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 8,691 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 508,446.

-30- 323
#90261c0715 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THOMAS D EBLING, VP OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 1,538 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,770.

-30- 295
#90261c0716 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD S HICKOK, DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,564.

-30- 301
#90261c0717 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DEAN R MCKAY, DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,168.

-30- 296
#90261c0719 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DONALD P HORWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c0720 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RICHARD J LEACH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,971.

-30- 337
#90261c0721 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 378,555 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90261c0722 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ANTHONY C DAMORE, DIR. OF MEDICORE INC. (TICKER: MDK), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,990.

-30- 303
#90261c0723 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM MCCOLLAM JR, DIR. OF MCDERMOTT INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MDR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90261c0724 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EARL E BAKKEN, DIR. OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT), SOLD 13,500 SHARES AT $76.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90261c0725 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, EARL E BAKKEN, DIR. OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $77.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 444,106.

-30- 302
#90261c0727 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN L VOGELSTEIN, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 193,965 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO

7,586,508.

-30- 326
#90261c0728 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WARBURG PINCUS CAP CO LP, BEN. OWNER OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 161,637 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,322,090.

-30- 351
#90261c0729 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WARBURG PINCUS CAP PARTNR LP, BEN. OWNER OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 32,328 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,264,418.

-30- 358
#90261c0730 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, EMIL J KOE, DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,080.

-30- 313
#90261c0731 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, HAROLD G SPRIGGS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $3.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c0732 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, HAROLD G SPRIGGS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,533.

-30- 349

#90261c0733 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, STEPHEN M DEIXLER, CHAIRMAN OF MICROFRAME INC. (TICKER: MIFI), BOUGHT 450,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,187,500.

-30- 326
#90261c0735 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DONALD RATAJCZAK, OFFICER OF MORGAN KEEGAN INC. (TICKER: MOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,850.

-30- 319
#90261c0736 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT B SEIDEL, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,916.

-30- 321
#90261c0737 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TERRY L TROUPE, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,088.

-30- 321
#90261c0738 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ALBERT W MERCK, DIR. OF MERCK & CO. (TICKER: MRK), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $87.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 143,380.

-30- 297
#90261c0739 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RONALD C DEMEO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARIETTA CORP.

(TICKER: MRTA), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 329
#90261c0740 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RONALD C DEMEO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARIETTA CORP. (TICKER: MRTA), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 329
#90261c0741 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, SAMARK ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF MARITEK CORP. (TICKER: MRTK), SOLD 166,667 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 169,667.

-30- 327
#90261c0743 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GARY HILLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,349,960.

-30- 331
#90261c0744 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SCOTTY B PATRICK, DIR. OF MELAMINE CHEMICALS INC. (TICKER: MTWO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 326
#90261c0745 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES R GLYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c0746 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES R GLYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,117.

-30- 321
#90261c0747 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, KARL S HAY, DIR. OF MYERS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MYE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90261c0748 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, KARL S HAY, DIR. OF MYERS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MYE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90261c0749 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, COMMON INVESTMENT FUND, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBM), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90261c0751 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c0752 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0753 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,537.

-30- 340
#90261c0754 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DON W SANDS, DIR. OF NATIONAL DATA CORP. (TICKER: NDTA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c0755 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DON W SANDS, DIR. OF NATIONAL DATA CORP. (TICKER: NDTA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 303
#90261c0756 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LESTER J LLOYD, SHAREHOLDER OF NELLCOR INC. (TICKER: NELL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,516.

-30- 314
#90261c0757 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GEORGE E COMSTOCK, VP OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c0759 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO.

(TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c0760 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO.
(TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c0761 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO.
(TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c0762 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO.
(TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c0763 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO.
(TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.72 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS
TO 1,440,727.

-30- 330
#90261c0764 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CONCEPT COMMUNICATIONS INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE NOSTALGIA
NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0765 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JONATHAN S PARK, DIR. OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90261c0767 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT M GARDINER, DIR. OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 309
#90261c0768 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD A HELLER, OFFICER OF NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: NSCO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c0769 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RICHARD A HELLER, OFFICER OF NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: NSCO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90261c0770 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES H BUTLER, DIR. OF NOVA CORP. OF ALBERTA (TICKER: NVA), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,000.

-30- 318
#90261c0771 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT H B BALDWIN, DIR. OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 351

#90261c0772 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90261c0773 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90261c0775 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $13.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90261c0776 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90261c0777 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90261c0778 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297

#90261c0779 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0780 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $14.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0781 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,334,200.

-30- 340
#90261c0783 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 25,500 SHARES AT $12.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0784 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 29,500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,213,778.

-30- 363
#90261c0785 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT C ERNEST, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c0786 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT C ERNEST, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,600.

-30- 317
#90261c0787 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $6.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90261c0788 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 831,685.

-30- 326
#90261c0789 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA TESS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $6.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c0791 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $35.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90261c0792 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL

MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 20,400 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c0793 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 6,503 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,243,776.

-30- 356
#90261c0794 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RICHARD HOULIHAN, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 331
#90261c0795 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c0796 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c0797 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 325
#90261c0799 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARTHUR J SIMPSON JR, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 1,538,462 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c0800 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARTHUR J SIMPSON JR, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 2,925,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,657,692.

-30- 339
#90261c0801 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Peoples Heritage Bank, the principal banking subsidiary of Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc.(TICKER: PHBK), announced Sept. 7, 1990 that it acquired certain assets and assumed certain liabilities of the 11 branch offices of Home Owners Savings Bank,(TICKER: HFS) F.S.B. from the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC).

The transaction was enacted pursuant to a purchase and assumption agreement between the RTC, as receiver for Home Owners, and PHFG Interim Savings and Loan Association, a newly formed subsidiary of Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc. which was merged with and into the bank following PHFG Interim S&L's acquisition of assets and assumption of liabilities of Home Owners.

Peoples Heritage Bank did not pay any premium for the approximately $260 million of deposits at the branch offices of Home Owners in Maine that were assumed by the bank.

Peoples Heritage Bank also did not pay for the approximately $1.2 million of deposit account secured loans acquired by the bank.

The bank reports it intends to relocate the deposits at up to seven or eight of the acquired branch offices to other existing offices of Peoples Heritage Bank in proximity to such offices.

-30- 1446
#90261c0802 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SOUTHMARK CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 1,538,462 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90261c0803 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SOUTHMARK CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 2,925,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,657,692.

-30- 330
#90261c0804 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Vaughn Communications Inc.(TICKER: VGHN), on Aug. 30, 1990, completed the sale of substantially all of the assets, properties and business of Video Midwest, an operating division within the company's communications group, to Audiovisual Inc.

The operations of Video Midwest include the distribution of television and radio broadcast studio equipment, interactive video/computer equipment and videotape and videotaping equipment and related engineering and installation services to broadcasters and others.

Audiovisual, based in Bismarch, North Dakota, already operates a full line video distribution and related services business.

Assets of Video Midwest that were sold include approximately $500,000 of audio/video inventory, $70,000 of installation and office equipment and certain intangibles, including $150,000 of goodwill.

Assets being sold comprise approximately 7% of Vaughn Communications' total assets, while sales from the division for the first six months of 1990 were approximately $2.60 million.

The selling price of $720,000 will be paid as follows: $250,000 paid at closing, $250,000 paid 30 days after closing, and $220,000 to be paid over the following 12 months.

The selling price will be increased to the extent that 1.2% of the acquiring company's gross billings over the 12-month period following the sale exceeds $50,000, up to a maximum additional purchase price of $100,000.

Vaughn Communications has agreed to not compete with Audiovisual Inc. with respect to Video Midwest for a period of five years.

-30- 1802
#90261c0805 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT K BURGESS, PRES. OF PHM CORP. (TICKER: PHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260

#90261c0807 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Resource Network International Inc. on Aug. 30 agreed to sell all of the stock of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Resource Network International (UK) Ltd., to Astordata Ltd.

The selling price is $250,000, of which $70,000 was advanced Aug. 31, 1990.

The balance is to be paid as follows: $70,000 within 10 days after the later occurrence of the execution of the purchase and sale agreement, and if required, the approval of Resource Network's stockholders, and the balance to be paid 30 days thereafter.

Conditions to the sale include the execution of a definitive purchase and sale agreement reasonably acceptable to counsel for both parties, and, if required by Delaware law, Resource Network stockholder approval.

If the transaction is consummated, it will be effective as of Sept. 1, 1990.

-30- 1044

#90261c0808 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, LEWIS B MERRIFIELD III, PRES. OF PIC 'N SAVE CORP. (TICKER: PICN), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 271,920.

-30- 329

#90261c0809 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FREDRIC M ROSEMORE, CHAIRMAN OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 559,183.

-30- 330

#90261c0810 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Farmers

Capital Bank Corp.(TICKER: FFKT) announced Sept. 7, 1990 that one of its banking subsidiaries, First Citizens Bank of Hardin Co. Inc., had announced that it has charged off approximately $4.98 million in certain real estate credits.

According to First Citizens, $4.54 million of the charge-offs stem from related real estate credits on properties in Kentucky and Tennessee.

In addition to the total charge-offs, First Citizens reports it will add $475,000 to its reserve for loan losses during the third quarter of 1990.

The increased provision for loan losses over the second quarter is expected to decrease net earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 to approximately $2.31 million, or $0.59 per share, compared to $5.38 million, or $1.38 per share for the same nine months in 1989.

Given the level of the charge-offs and the monies to be added to the bank's reserve for loan losses, the corporation has made a contribution of $3.34 million to to the capital account of the bank.

Farmers Capital Corp. is a multi-bank holding company with headquarters in Frankfort, KY.

-30- 1353
#90261c0811 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DARYL L SWANSTROM, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PENN ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING CORP. (TICKER: PNN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,747.

-30- 391
#90261c0812 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 13,875 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c0813 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Cheshire Financial Corp.(TICKER: CFNH) announced Sept. 11, 1990 that its board of directors voted to reactivate its repurchase program for the company's common stock.

Peter J. Baxter, president and chief executive officer of Cheshire, has indicated the repurchase program was reactivated to take advantage of opportunities which might arise due to current market conditions.

Under the current program, Cheshire may, from time to time during the next six months, purchase up to 5% of the company's outstanding common stock, amounting to approximately 178,000 shares.

Purchases will be made in open market transactions at the then-prevailing market prices.

Cheshire is a multi-bank holding company headquartered in Keene, New Hampshire with total assets of $605 million as of June 30, 1990.

-30- 1040

#90261c0815 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows in July and August of 1990, Suffield Financial Corp.(TICKER: SFCP) took steps to terminate the employment of Richard B. Paige and James A. McKay, officers and directors of Coastal Bancorp and Coastal Savings Bank, wholly-owned subsidiaries of Suffield.

Paige and McKay refused to agree to voluntary termination of their employment, and Suffield then took steps to exercise its shareholder rights to effect their termination.

Paige, McKay and other directors and officers of Coastal Bancorp and Coastal Savings responded by initiating a legal proceeding, challenging Suffield's actions and seeking a preliminary injunction against replacement of any officers or directors.

Suffield removed the case to the Federal District Court for the District of Maine on the same day the lawsuit was filed, and no further proceedings have occurred in the case as of Sept. 12, 1990.

-30- 1123

#90261c0816 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,550 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295

#90261c0817 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,550 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,141,730.

-30- 336

#90261c0818 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Zytec Systems Inc.(TICKER: ZSILF) on Sept. 14, 1990, entered two separate purchase agreements.

The first was between Zytec and Walter McGruder, president of C & A Electronics Inc. C & A is in the business of distributing electronic components specializing in military connectors.

Zytec exchanged 258,333 shares of common stock for 490 shares, or 49 percent of the issued and outstanding stock of C & A, valued at $155,000.

The second purchase agreement was between Zytec and Harvey Rosenberg, a 30 percent shareholder in Sewing Concepts Inc., which is in the business of manufacturing men's and women's athletic supplies and accessories.

Zytec exchanged 375,000 shares of common stock for 100 shares or 10 percent of the issued and outstanding common stock of Sewing Concepts, valued at $225,000.

Rosenberg was, on July 31, 1990, an unrelated party to Zytec, and is a former legal counsel to Zytec. As a result of this transaction, Rosenberg reduced his ownership percentage in Sewing Concepts to 20 percent.

-30- 1274

#90261c0819 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 33,000 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 295

#90261c0820 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 295

#90261c0821 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Y & A Group Inc.(TICKER: YGRP) has recorded a prior period adjustment to its financial statements for the year ending Dec. 31, 1989, in the amount of $148,697.

Net earnings for that period were previously reported as $343,570, or $0.11 per share, and have been restated as $194,872, or $0.06 per share.

The adjustment was to adjust contract revenue under the completed contract method for a contract which was previously recorded under the percentage of completion method.

This was based on information then available and the inadvertent recording of duplicate accounts receivable for a newly acquired subsidiary, the company reports.

Deloitte & Touche, the company's auditors, have notified Y & A that their report dated March 30, 1990, can no longer be relied upon with respect to the December 31, 1989, financial statements.

Y & A's audit committee is reviewing the 1989 financial statements to determine if any other adjustments may be required.

The committee will report by Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reports that the adjustment made to the 1989 financial statements does not impact results reported by Y & A for the first six months of fiscal year 1990.

The company reported net earnings of $666,343, or $0.15 per share, for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

-30- 1542
#90261c0823 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c0824 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Transglobal Holdings, pursuant to a resolution of the company's board of directors, replaced its former certifying accountant, Stanley E. Ginsberg, with Lipner, Gorden & Co.

Ginsberg had audited the company's financial statements since Sept. 12, 1988 (inception).

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

Transglobal's executive office is located at 12 Behrendt Drive, Pearl River, NY 10965 and its telephone number is (914) 735-7265.

-30- 839
#90261c0825 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c0826 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows KPMG Peat Marwick, who has been First Commercial's(TICKER: FCLR) independent auditor, notified First Commercial on Sept. 7, 1990 that they declined to stand for re-election for this post.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 635
#90261c0827 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c0828 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c0829 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 11, 1990, Robert G. Skinner and Susan M. Skinner, principal shareholders of Heavenly Hot Dogs sold all of their restricted shares of common stock of the company.

The 40.26 million restricted shares of common stock were sold to Whatley Associates Trading Services for $60,000 in cash, or $0.0015 per share.

The shares sold represent approximately 10.9 percent of Heavenly Hot Dogs' outstanding common stock.

-30- 654
#90261c0831 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows B+H Maritime Carriers Ltd.(TICKER: BHM) announced Sept. 7, 1990 that its board of directors has authorized a proposal to shareholders that the company repurchase up to 20 percent of B+H's currently outstanding 3.08 million shares of common stock.

-30- 484
#90261c0832 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c0833 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 24,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c0834 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Canadian Pacific Ltd.(TICKER: CP) announced Sept. 13, 1990 its intention to purchase up to 31.46 million of its common shares, representing approximately 9.87 percent of the 318.67 million common shares outstanding as of Sept. 12, 1990.

The purchases will begin on Sept. 19, 1990 and will end Sept. 18, 1991, or on such earlier date as Canadian Pacific may complete its purchases.

This is pursuant to the notices of intention to make a normal course bid filed with the Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver stock exchanges.

Purchases will be on the open market.

-30- 804
#90261c0835 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c0836 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c0837 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c0839 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,000.

-30- 328
#90261c0840 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c0841 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c0842 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c0843 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Cypress Fund Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol WJR. Trading was resumed at 15:53.

-30- 345
#90261c0844 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c0845 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c0847 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 24,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306

#90261c0848 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c0849 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c0850 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c0851 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c0852 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,206,050.

-30- 347
#90261c0853 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BCE INC, BEN. OWNER OF QUEBECOR INC. (TICKER: PQB), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $10.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,038,500.

-30- 305
#90261c0855 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c0856 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c0857 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 293,000.

-30- 361
#90261c0858 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF PUBCO CORP. (TICKER: PUBO), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $7.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,938.

-30- 304
#90261c0859 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID B KINNEY, DIR. OF RADVA CORP. (TICKER: RDVA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,000.

-30- 299
#90261c0860 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 349 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0861 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,588 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c0863 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,835 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c0864 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,589 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c0865 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 482 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0866 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 6,344 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c0867 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 11,672 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c0868 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 2,538 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c0869 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 6,343 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,487,593.

-30- 354
#90261c0871 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $12.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c0872 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c0873 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c0874 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT

1,200 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c0875 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $11.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c0876 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c0877 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c0879 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THOMAS H POTTS, PRES. OF RAC MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CORP. (TICKER: RMR), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 176,692.

-30- 337
#90261c0880 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROCKWELL INTL CORP ESP, BEN. OWNER OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), BOUGHT 393,428 SHARES AT $24.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90261c0881 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RONALD A WARD, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,780.

-30- 333
#90261c0882 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, L KIRKE MOORE, DIR. OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 21,400 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c0883 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, L KIRKE MOORE, DIR. OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,400.

-30- 334
#90261c0884 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID K HUNT, VP OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,680.

-30- 305
#90261c0885 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, HAYS T WATKINS, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,951.

-30- 316
#90261c0887 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90261c0888 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 8,300 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c0889 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c0890 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c0891 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c0892 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c0893 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294

#90261c0895 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c0896 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 64,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 449,057.

-30- 339
#90261c0897 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ANDREW W MILLER, DIR. OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF), SOLD 16,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c0898 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90261c0899 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90261c0900 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER

SHARE.

-30- 338
#90261c0901 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90261c0903 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TURNER BYRON, VP OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SEC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c0904 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, TURNER BYRON, VP OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SEC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,185.

-30- 320
#90261c0905 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0906 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0907 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0908 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0909 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c0911 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c0912 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,383,280.

-30- 361
#90261c0913 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WALDO E YEAGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SEAWAY FOOD TOWN INC. (TICKER: SEWY), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0914 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0915 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0916 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0917 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0919 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0920 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0921 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0922 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0923 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0924 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c0925 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c0927 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0928 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0929 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c0930 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c0931 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c0932 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, CHARLES W SCHWEIZER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,926.

-30- 351
#90261c0933 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, BAUPOST LTD PARTNERSHIP 83, BEN. OWNER OF SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC. (TICKER: SFE), BOUGHT 9,200 SHARES AT $10.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 529,400.

-30- 365
#90261c0935 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF SILICON GRAPHICS INC. (TICKER: SGI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $25.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 329
#90261c0936 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, ROBERT N GOLDMAN, DIR. OF SAGE SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: SGSI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c0937 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90261c0938 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90261c0939 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 157,280.

-30- 298
#90261c0940 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DOCTOR R CRANTS, DIR. OF SAHARA RESORTS (TICKER: SHRE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,000.

-30- 308
#90261c0941 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE B CLAIRMONT, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90261c0943 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CLAIRMONT GEORGE B TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90261c0944 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CLAIRMONT GEORGE B TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90261c0945 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c0946 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c0947 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c0948 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c0949 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c0951 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c0952 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c0953 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,800.

-30- 324
#90261c0954 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

5,000.

-30- 319
#90261c0955 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c0956 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,250 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c0957 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0959 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 6,800 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c0960 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0961 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER:

SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0962 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0963 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0964 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0965 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0967 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 5,300 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c0968 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER:

SIA), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c0969 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c0970 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c0971 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 25,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c0972 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c0973 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 13,900 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c0975 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER:

SIA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c0976 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0977 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 46,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c0978 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c0979 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c0980 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c0981 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER:

SIA), BOUGHT 34,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c0983 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 363,900.

-30- 325
#90261c0984 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,400.

-30- 341
#90261c0985 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0986 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c0987 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c0988 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c0989 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 96,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0991 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c0992 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 206,400.

-30- 346
#90261c0993 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c0994 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c0995 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c0996 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c0997 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c0999 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c1000 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c1001 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,800.

-30- 315

#90261c1002 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK D KNOX, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SIXX HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: SIXX), BOUGHT 23,000 SHARES AT $0.57 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,263.

-30- 358
#90261c1003 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, BURTON E ERICSON, VP OF SAFETY-KLEEN CORP. (TICKER: SK), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $39.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,251.

-30- 306
#90261c1004 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDWARD BLACKWELL DAVID, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SCORE EXPL CORP (TICKER: SKOR), BOUGHT 787,369 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,696,669.

-30- 383
#90261c1005 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAY L FEDERMAN, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c1007 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOMAS E BLUME, OFFICER OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,709.

-30- 302
#90261c1008 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c1009 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90261c1010 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,750.

-30- 294
#90261c1011 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RICHARD A STOLFA, VP OF SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SMLS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $33.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,860.

-30- 324
#90261c1012 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOSEPH J MCDOWELL, CHAIRMAN OF SOLITEC INC. (TICKER: SOLI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 314
#90261c1013 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOSEPH M RICHTER, OFFICER OF THE SOMERSET GROUP INC. (TICKER: SOMR), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $7.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,000.

-30- 335
#90261c1015 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES G BOSWELL II, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 327
#90261c1016 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DAVID J TAYLOR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUN SPORTSWEAR INC. (TICKER: SSPW), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c1017 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID J TAYLOR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUN SPORTSWEAR INC. (TICKER: SSPW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 334
#90261c1018 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, CHRISTOPHER P VELTMANN, OFFICER OF STANDARD OIL & EXPL OF DELAWARE INC. (TICKER: STDO), SOLD 46,550 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90261c1019 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, CHRISTOPHER P VELTMANN, OFFICER OF STANDARD OIL & EXPL OF DELAWARE INC. (TICKER: STDO), BOUGHT 58,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,875.

-30- 367
#90261c1020 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 02, 1989, INVSTMNT SVNGS PLN STANHOME, BEN. OWNER OF STANHOME INC. (TICKER: STH), BOUGHT 142 SHARES AT $19.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 289

#90261c1021 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 01, 1989, INVSTMNT SVNGS PLN STANHOME, BEN. OWNER OF STANHOME INC. (TICKER: STH), BOUGHT 413 SHARES AT $26.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c1023 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MICHAEL E ROSEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHOP TELEVISION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: STNP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.93 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,778,350.

-30- 346
#90261c1024 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c1025 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 45,800 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c1026 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 22,500 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c1027 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c1028 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 30,600 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,183,400.

-30- 342
#90261c1029 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN VIDA, SHAREHOLDER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 45,150 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,071,652.

-30- 304
#90261c1031 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c1032 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c1033 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c1034 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c1035 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 545,375.

-30- 337
#90261c1036 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN F MOYNAHAN, OFFICER OF SYM-TEK SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SYMK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 327
#90261c1037 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, C PHILIP CHAPMAN, OFFICER OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,500.

-30- 316
#90261c1039 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, S THOMAS EMERSON, CHAIRMAN OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 244,000.

-30- 319
#90261c1040 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GEOFFREY W GATES, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,500.

-30- 302
#90261c1041 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, HARWOOD SHEPARD, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c1042 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HARWOOD SHEPARD, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 3,850 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 103,650.

-30- 302
#90261c1043 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT S WALLIN, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 157,260.

-30- 303
#90261c1044 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RUSSELL T STERN JR, DIR. OF SYNTRO CORP. (TICKER: SYNT), BOUGHT 68,650 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 298,650.

-30- 303
#90261c1045 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF TELEBIT CORP. (TICKER: TBIT), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c1047 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DEAN A FOSSEY, DIR. OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,166.

-30- 311
#90261c1048 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROY M SVEE, DIR. OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 307
#90261c1049 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ROBERT E CRAINE, VP OF T/SF COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: TCM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,800.

-30- 320
#90261c1050 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROGER C LUCAS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TECHNE CORP. (TICKER: TECH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 248,608.

-30- 323
#90261c1051 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ALFRED M GLEASON, DIR. OF TEKTRONIX INC. (TICKER: TEK), BOUGHT 1,050 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,650.

-30- 305
#90261c1052 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LARRY T MAREK, VP OF TELECOM CORP. (TICKER: TEL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 291
#90261c1053 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 31, 1989, GEORGE W CHAMILLARD, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,568.

-30- 304
#90261c1055 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90261c1056 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90261c1057 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90261c1058 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90261c1059 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,022.

-30- 302
#90261c1060 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RICHARD LESSER, OFFICER OF TJX COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: TJX), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,633.

-30- 316
#90261c1061 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c1063 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c1064 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c1065 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c1066 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c1067 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c1068 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c1069 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c1071 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c1072 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90261c1073 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,761,510.

-30- 357
#90261c1074 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, BARRY F WHARITY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF TRANSMATION INC. (TICKER: TRNS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 337
#90261c1075 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JAMES W QUEEN, OFFICER OF TESORO PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: TSO), SOLD 1,439 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,588.

-30- 321
#90261c1076 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.A. WHITENER OF RT #1, P O BOX 223, POTTSBORO, TX 75076, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,333 SHARES OF TGC INDUSTRIES INC THROUGH JANNEY MONTGOMERY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT 10, 1990.

(TGC INDUSTRIES INC TEL: 214 881-1099)

-30- 390
#90261c1077 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DILLON READ & CO INC OF 535 MADISON AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,450 SHARES OF MARINE DRILLING CO.(TICKER: MDCO) THROUGH DILLON READ & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 13, 1990.

(MARINE DRILLING CO. TEL: 512 884-8851)

-30- 425
#90261c1079 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. MAPLES OF RT #1, P O BOX 15, ARAB, AL 35016, HAS FILED TO SELL 90,000 SHARES OF GLOBAL PLATINUM & GOLD INC.(TICKER: GPGD) THROUGH MLB INVESTMENTS LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 14, 1990.

(GLOBAL PLATINUM & GOLD INC. TEL: 801 943-6884)

-30- 430
#90261c1080 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.G. SMITH OF 1320 S UNIVERSITY DR #820, FT WORTH, TX 76107, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CAPITAL ADVISORS ACQUISITION COR THROUGH USA CAPITAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 10, 1990.

(CAPITAL ADVISORS ACQUISITION COR TEL: 817 877-3071)

-30- 442
#90261c1081 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - V.F. HILL OF 708 DARTMOUTH ST, NEWBERG, OR 97132, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF PAYLINE SYSTEMS INC THROUGH PAULSON INVESTMENT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 11, 1990.

(PAYLINE SYSTEMS INC TEL: 503 243-2930)

-30- 398
#90261c1082 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.Y. MANWARING OF 335 CHARLES RIVER ST, NEEDHAM, MA 02192, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF RADIO FREQUENCY INC.(TICKER: RFRQ) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 11, 1990.

(RADIO FREQUENCY INC. TEL: 617 762-4900)

-30- 425
#90261c1083 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L.H. BLEY OF 1320 S UNIVERSITY DR #820, FT WORTH, TX 76107, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CURBSTONE ACQUISITION CORP. THROUGH USA CAPITAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 10, 1990.

(CURBSTONE ACQUISITION CORP. TEL: 817 877-3071)

-30- 420
#90261c1084 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L.H. BLEY OF 1320 S UNIVERSITY DR #820, FT WORTH, TX 76107, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CAPITAL ADVISORS ACQUISITION COR THROUGH USA CAPITAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 10, 1990.

(CAPITAL ADVISORS ACQUISITION COR TEL: 817 877-3071)

-30- 441
#90261c1085 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C. REDFERN OF 17724 JUNEGRASS PLACE, PARKER, CO 80134, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF AMERICA'S COFFEE CUP INC. THROUGH XCEL SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 10, 1990.

(AMERICA'S COFFEE CUP INC. TEL: 619 558-2660)

-30- 412
#90261c1087 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.G. SMITH OF 1320 S UNIVERSITY DR #820, FT WORTH, TX 76107, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CURBSTONE ACQUISITION CORP. THROUGH USA CAPITAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 10, 1990.

(CURBSTONE ACQUISITION CORP. TEL: 817 877-3071)

-30- 423
#90261c1088 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.W. KORN OF 2787 ATWOOD RD NE, ATLANTA, GA 30305, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,698 CLASS A SHARES OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 12, 1990.

(TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. TEL: 404 827-1717)

-30- 448
#90261c1089 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J. LIVIAKIS OF 641 LA SIERRA DR, SACRAMENTO, CA 95864, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,900 SHARES OF BIG SKY USA INC. THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 13, 1990.

(BIG SKY USA INC. TEL: 406 771-7000)

-30- 389
#90261c1090 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, R.P. PENNOYER, VP OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: AX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c1091 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, R.P. PENNOYER, VP OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: AX), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c1092 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, R.P. PENNOYER, VP OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: AX), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,259.

-30- 317
#90261c1093 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, R.A. KNIGHT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHAMBERS DEVELOPMENT INC. (TICKER: CDV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 346
#90261c1095 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, R.A. KNIGHT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHAMBERS DEVELOPMENT INC. (TICKER: CDV), BOUGHT 18,600 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c1096 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, R.A. KNIGHT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHAMBERS DEVELOPMENT INC. (TICKER: CDV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c1097 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, R.A. KNIGHT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHAMBERS DEVELOPMENT INC. (TICKER: CDV), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,400.

-30- 348
#90261c1098 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 6, 1990, M.J. PERETTO, DIR. OF CHAMBERS DEVELOPMENT INC. (TICKER: CDV), SOLD 4,400 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90261c1099 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 6, 1990, M.J. PERETTO, DIR. OF CHAMBERS DEVELOPMENT INC. (TICKER: CDV), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c1100 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 6, 1990, M.J. PERETTO, DIR. OF CHAMBERS DEVELOPMENT INC. (TICKER: CDV), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c1101 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, M.J. PERETTO, DIR. OF CHAMBERS DEVELOPMENT INC. (TICKER: CDV), SOLD 2,800 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90261c1103 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, S.M. RUMBOUGH JR, DIR. OF CUC INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CU), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c1104 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, S.M. RUMBOUGH JR, DIR. OF CUC INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CU), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 240,000.

-30- 317
#90261c1105 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, J.R. PAULK, DIR. OF COLONY BANKCORP. BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,100.

-30- 291
#90261c1106 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, W.T. HARRIS, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORP. (MISSISSIPPI) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,665.

-30- 329
#90261c1107 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 6, 1990, G.T. CULBERTSON JR, DIR. OF FIRST-KNOX BANC CORP. SOLD 125 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,283.

-30- 319
#90261c1108 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, J.J. CULLERS, DIR. OF FIRST-KNOX BANC CORP. BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c1109 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, J.J. CULLERS, DIR. OF FIRST-KNOX BANC CORP. BOUGHT 450 SHARES AT $41.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,820.

-30- 296
#90261c1111 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, J.R. PURDY, DIR. OF FIRST-KNOX BANC CORP. SOLD 550 SHARES AT $41.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,025.

-30- 291
#90261c1112 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, J.R. COMPO, DIR. OF RURBAN FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,206.

-30- 297
#90261c1113 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, J.R. COMPO, DIR. OF RURBAN FINANCIAL CORP. SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,312.

-30- 298
#90261c1114 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1989, A.B. ADLER, OFFICER OF TRI VALLEY CORP.(TICKER: TRIL) BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c1115 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 7, 1989, A.B. ADLER, OFFICER OF TRI VALLEY CORP.(TICKER: TRIL) BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 319
#90261c1116 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN. 15, 1990, A.B. ADLER, OFFICER OF TRI VALLEY CORP.(TICKER: TRIL) BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90261c1117 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, A.B. ADLER, OFFICER OF TRI VALLEY CORP.(TICKER: TRIL) BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,000.

-30- 326
#90261c1119 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 18, 1990, A.B. ADLER, OFFICER OF TRI VALLEY CORP.(TICKER: TRIL) BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c1120 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 17, 1990, A.B. ADLER, OFFICER OF TRI VALLEY CORP.(TICKER: TRIL) BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90261c1121 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 13, 1990, A.B. ADLER, OFFICER OF TRI VALLEY CORP.(TICKER: TRIL) BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c1122 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, J.J. MCMULLEN, DIR. OF WM BANCORP BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $32.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 868.

-30- 280

#90261c1123 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, M.B. LOPEZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WESTERN STANDARD CORP.(TICKER: WSTD) BOUGHT 6,216 SHARES AT $0.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 607,930.

-30- 337
#90261c1124 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, F.L. KOBIE, PRES. OF DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. (TICKER: DREAF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 319
#90261c1125 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 11, 1989, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c1127 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1989, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,880.

-30- 307
#90261c1128 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1989, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 104,380.

-30- 308
#90261c1129 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1989, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER:

FLCP), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c1130 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 26, 1989, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c1131 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1989, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c1132 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1989, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,580.

-30- 309
#90261c1133 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1989, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,580.

-30- 307
#90261c1135 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 7, 1989, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90261c1136 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 7, 1989, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90261c1137 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 27, 1989, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 446,580.

-30- 308
#90261c1138 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 15, 1989, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c1139 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 18, 1989, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 246,580.

-30- 308
#90261c1140 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 5, 1986, M.H. BUSSE, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. SOLD 28,000 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 133,709.

-30- 329
#90261c1141 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, D.A. BLOSS, VP OF NORTON CO.(TICKER: NRT) SOLD 9,200 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 247

#90261c1143 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, T.A. HOLMES, DIR. OF NORTON CO.(TICKER: NRT) SOLD 506 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 249
#90261c1144 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, T.J. HOURIHAN, VP OF NORTON CO.(TICKER: NRT) SOLD 8,900 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90261c1145 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, PAWNEE PETROLEUM CO, BEN. OWNER OF TIDE WEST OIL CO. (TICKER: TIDE) BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,041,500.

-30- 339
#90261c1146 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 20, 1990, PAWNEE PETROLEUM CO, BEN. OWNER OF TIDE WEST OIL (TICKER: TIDE) BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 333
#90261c1147 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, M.W. HIRST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTII), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c1148 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, M.W. HIRST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTII), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,607,983.

-30- 339
#90261c1149 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 2, 1990, J.D. SINGLETON, DIR. OF LDDS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: LDDS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c1212 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, J.T. MORTON, VP OF MORGAN GRENFELL SMALLCAP FUND INC. (TICKER: MGC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 154,600.

-30- 337
#90261c1213 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, J.L. RUTH, VP OF MOLECULAR BIOSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MB), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c1214 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, J.L. RUTH, VP OF MOLECULAR BIOSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90261c1215 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, J.L. RUTH, VP OF MOLECULAR BIOSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 307
#90261c1218 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, J.L. RUTH, VP OF MOLECULAR BIOSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER:

MB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 307
#90261c1219 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, E.A. LEMIEUX, DIR. OF QUADRA LOGIC TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: QLTI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,800.

-30- 336
#90261c1220 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, J.C. RIVES, VP OF SEITEL INC. (TICKER: SEI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 249
#90261c1222 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN. 4, 1989, E.L. BONTRAGER, OFFICER OF SCHULT HOMES CORP. (TICKER: SHC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c1223 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1989, E.L. BONTRAGER, OFFICER OF SCHULT HOMES CORP. (TICKER: SHC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 319
#90261c1224 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, W.G. BALDWIN, DIR. OF THE STEPHAN CO. (TICKER: STCP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,300.

-30- 301
#90261c1225 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, C.L. BECKEN, VP OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $11.66 PER CLASS A SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,999.

-30- 338
#90261c1226 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, D.B. KINNEY, SHAREHOLDER OF WASHINGTON CORP. (TICKER: TWC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,650.

-30- 312
#90261c1227 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 20, 1990, D.B. KINNEY, SHAREHOLDER OF WASHINGTON CORP. (TICKER: TWC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c1228 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, D.B. KINNEY, SHAREHOLDER OF WASHINGTON CORP. (TICKER: TWC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 119,550.

-30- 317
#90261c1230 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, D.H. KINNEY, SHAREHOLDER OF WASHINGTON CORP. (TICKER: TWC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c1231 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, D.H. KINNEY, SHAREHOLDER OF WASHINGTON CORP. (TICKER: TWC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90261c1232 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 20, 1990, D.H. KINNEY, SHAREHOLDER OF WASHINGTON CORP. (TICKER: TWC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 103,650.

-30- 313
#90261c1233 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, J.C. KINNEY, DIR. OF WASHINGTON CORP. (TICKER: TWC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90261c1234 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 12, 1990, J.C. KINNEY, DIR. OF WASHINGTON CORP. (TICKER: TWC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90261c1235 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 13, 1990, J.C. KINNEY, DIR. OF WASHINGTON CORP. (TICKER: TWC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90261c1236 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, J.C. KINNEY, DIR. OF WASHINGTON CORP. (TICKER: TWC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,750.

-30- 304
#90261c1238 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, R.L. BRADDOCK, DIR. OF UNICO INC. (TICKER: UNRC), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c1239 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, J.L. BURR, BEN. OWNER OF MARIAH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MRHI) SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90261c1240 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, J.L. BURR, BEN. OWNER OF MARIAH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MRHI) SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,617,500.

-30- 329
#90261c1241 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, E.H. ARNOLD, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PPLB) (PENNSYLVANIA) BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,116.

-30- 326
#90261c1242 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, D.K. BINNER, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PPLB) (PENNSYLVANIA) BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 328
#90261c1243 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, R.J. MCMINDES, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PPLB) (PENNSYLVANIA) BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,577.

-30- 331
#90261c1244 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, T.I. SIEGEL, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PPLB) (PENNSYLVANIA) BOUGHT 3,917 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,200.

-30- 327
#90261c1246 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 6,145 SHARES AT $2.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1247 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1248 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,598,330.

-30- 338
#90261c1249 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 3,917 SHARES AT $1.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,489.

-30- 334
#90261c1250 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DANIEL L EILERS, OFFICER OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 1,598 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c1251 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT K LANDON, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 376,846.

-30- 361
#90261c1252 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HORNBY TRADING INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c1254 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, LEONARD H LAVIN, CHAIRMAN OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 644,770.

-30- 325
#90261c1255 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1256 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1257 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1258 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1259 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1260 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c1262 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,842,299.

-30- 343
#90261c1263 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MAX BOTEL, DIR. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 292
#90261c1264 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DEBORAH A DOVE, OFFICER OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN),

BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c1265 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DEBORAH A DOVE, OFFICER OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90261c1266 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RICHARD A GREENAWALT, PRES. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c1267 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RICHARD A GREENAWALT, PRES. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 1,675 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,054.

-30- 317
#90261c1268 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ANDREW D STEINER, DIR. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,000.

-30- 305
#90261c1270 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT C BISHOP, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,602.

-30- 330
#90261c1271 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD W ULMER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,588.

-30- 328
#90261c1272 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT J BARTZOKAS, VP OF AMERADA HESS CORP. (TICKER: AHC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $51.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,298.

-30- 315
#90261c1273 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, ANTHONY R WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c1274 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, ANTHONY R WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c1275 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, ANTHONY R WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c1276 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WALKER E BLOUNT JR, DIR. OF ALICO INC. (TICKER: ALCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263

#90261c1278 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, GORDON W BENTLEY, OFFICER OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER: ALOT), SOLD 1,253 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c1279 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, HERMANN VIETS, DIR. OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER: ALOT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 298
#90261c1280 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $11.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c1281 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c1282 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 890,000.

-30- 304
#90261c1283 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT D WEIST, SHAREHOLDER OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101,970.

-30- 315
#90261c1284 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM F BRANDT JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN WOODMARK CORP. (TICKER: AMWD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,933,889.

-30- 378
#90261c1286 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c1287 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c1288 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c1289 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c1290 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c1291 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c1292 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,645.

-30- 295
#90261c1294 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c1295 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c1296 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c1297 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 29, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 340
#90261c1298 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c1299 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c1300 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c1302 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c1303 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c1304 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c1305 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c1306 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c1307 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,400.

-30- 341
#90261c1308 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN A CRICHTON, DIR. OF ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. (TICKER: ARSD), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 194,546.

-30- 344
#90261c1310 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN A CHMURA, VP OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 292
#90261c1311 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PHILIP J FOX, OFFICER OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 299
#90261c1312 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90261c1313 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 308
#90261c1314 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RONALD F MURPHY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 325
#90261c1315 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CLIFFORD H TUTTLE JR, CHAIRMAN OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 314
#90261c1316 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, KENNETH F YONTZ, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 301

#90261c1318 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c1319 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c1320 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c1321 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 1,638 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,348,635.

-30- 358
#90261c1322 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,526,351.

-30- 390
#90261c1323 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 16, 1990, WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), SOLD 2,600 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 923,517.

-30- 378
#90261c1324 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90261c1326 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c1327 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90261c1328 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c1329 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c1330 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c1331 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c1332 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90261c1334 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c1335 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c1336 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c1337 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c1338 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 367
#90261c1339 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c1340 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1342 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c1343 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1344 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.

(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1345 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1346 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1347 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c1348 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c1350 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1351 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.

(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1352 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1353 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 338
#90261c1354 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c1355 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c1356 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c1358 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c1359 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c1360 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c1361 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c1362 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c1363 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c1364 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c1366 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c1367 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c1368 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 331
#90261c1369 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90261c1370 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c1371 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c1372 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90261c1374 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c1375 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c1376 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c1377 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90261c1378 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90261c1379 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c1380 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c1382 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c1383 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 364
#90261c1384 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HARRIET BENSON, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $43.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,005.

-30- 286
#90261c1385 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PIETER P BONSEN, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $44.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,981.

-30- 292
#90261c1386 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GARY V FULSCHER, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $46.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,155.

-30- 292
#90261c1387 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GARY S LYMAN, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $45.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,289.

-30- 285
#90261c1388 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JANE E SHAW, PRES. OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 37,978 SHARES AT $45.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 292
#90261c1390 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c1391 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c1392 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c1393 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c1394 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c1395 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 446,228.

-30- 315
#90261c1396 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DARNELL MARTIN, VP OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 1,155 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,638.

-30- 311
#90261c1398 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 1,143 SHARES AT $7.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c1399 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 1,143 SHARES AT $7.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 806,987.

-30- 324
#90261c1400 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HAROLD W KOSTEN, OFFICER OF BALDOR ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: BEZ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c1401 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HAROLD W KOSTEN, OFFICER OF BALDOR ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: BEZ), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,148.

-30- 324
#90261c1402 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GOULD INVESTORS LP, BEN. OWNER OF BFS BANKORP INC. (TICKER: BFSI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 273,973.

-30- 335
#90261c1403 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 282,750.

-30- 346
#90261c1404 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 282,750.

-30- 343
#90261c1406 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 7,279 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90261c1407 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM J ARMANINO, PRES. OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE), SOLD 233,000 SHARES AT $0.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,943,924.

-30- 354
#90261c1408 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c1409 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c1410 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,365,225.

-30- 327

#90261c1411 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,209,225.

-30- 328
#90261c1412 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90261c1414 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 29,800 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 588,475.

-30- 328
#90261c1415 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c1416 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c1417 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c1418 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c1419 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 31,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c1420 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,959,100.

-30- 335
#90261c1422 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOR W KONWIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 87,214 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,285.

-30- 371
#90261c1423 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DONALD C UKKESTAD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 87,214 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,285.

-30- 377
#90261c1424 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOMAS E WINTER, DIR. OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 100,103 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 861,171.

-30- 327
#90261c1425 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c1426 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c1427 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $2.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c1428 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c1430 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c1431 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c1432 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c1433 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c1434 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 155,000 SHARES AT $2.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 489,000.

-30- 337
#90261c1435 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 19, 1990, ROBERT A KEEGAN, VP OF BONNEVILLE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: BPCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c1436 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $11.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c1438 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c1439 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 84,100.

-30- 336
#90261c1440 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 187 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c1441 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 937 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c1442 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c1443 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313

#90261c1444 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c1446 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c1447 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c1448 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c1449 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c1450 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313

#90261c1451 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 487 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c1452 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 3,637 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c1454 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 225 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c1455 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 698 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,406,384.

-30- 352
#90261c1456 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, MICHAEL MINIKES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c1457 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, UZI ZUCKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90261c1458 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, UZI ZUCKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 97,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90261c1459 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c1460 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c1462 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c1463 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c1464 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c1465 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,925 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c1466 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 575 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90261c1467 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c1468 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c1470 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c1471 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c1472 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,752,947.

-30- 362
#90261c1473 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JEFFREY J SHEARER, VP OF BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: BV), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 219,664.

-30- 338
#90261c1474 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATHAN SHAPIRO, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c1475 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATHAN SHAPIRO, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,250.

-30- 351
#90261c1476 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT SHAPIRO, BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,400.

-30- 329
#90261c1478 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, SHERWOOD J TARLOW, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c1479 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SHERWOOD J TARLOW, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB), SOLD 16,656 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,822.

-30- 330
#90261c1480 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROGER LEE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAESARS WORLD INC. (TICKER: CAW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,000.

-30- 327
#90261c1481 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c1482 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c1483 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,194.

-30- 330

#90261c1484 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALAN PARSOW, DIR. OF CAMPBELL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CCH), SOLD 10,850 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,536.

-30- 321
#90261c1486 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $27.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c1487 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 393,137.

-30- 342
#90261c1488 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c1489 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c1490 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c1491 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c1492 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c1494 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,700 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c1495 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c1496 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,500.

-30- 317
#90261c1497 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHARLES T CONDY, SHAREHOLDER OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c1498 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHARLES T CONDY, SHAREHOLDER OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,483,373.

-30- 334
#90261c1499 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 15, 1988, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 7,407 SHARES AT $3.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,738,764.

-30- 328
#90261c1500 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1989, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 4,332 SHARES AT $3.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,433,279.

-30- 328
#90261c1502 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c1503 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c1504 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 28, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,040.

-30- 310
#90261c1505 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN E GRONINGER, DIR. OF CONSUMERS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,837.

-30- 331
#90261c1506 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN E GRONINGER, DIR. OF CONSUMERS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,495.

-30- 333
#90261c1507 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PETER T MAHER, DIR. OF COMFED BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 311
#90261c1508 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT C BURGESS, DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 305
#90261c1510 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WILLIAM W GASTON, DIR. OF GOLDEN POULTRY CO. (TICKER: CHIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,357.

-30- 316
#90261c1511 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c1512 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c1513 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,550.

-30- 334
#90261c1514 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c1515 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 331
#90261c1516 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ALLAN S HOLDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHART HOUSE

ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $12.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,940.

-30- 350
#90261c1518 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLIAM R KUNTZ JR, VP OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,835.

-30- 324
#90261c1519 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ARTHUR J NAGLE, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,000.

-30- 324
#90261c1520 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c1521 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90261c1522 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 167,102.

-30- 303
#90261c1523 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1989, HERBERT C PELL III, DIR. OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE), BOUGHT 54,904 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,904.

-30- 342
#90261c1524 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL L DOWLING, DIR. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 2,325 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1526 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WESLEY J BAHR, DIR. OF COLLECTIVE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: COFD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 312
#90261c1527 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CHARLES J MOHR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c1528 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES J MOHR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,121.

-30- 339
#90261c1529 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ARTHUR O STERN, OFFICER OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,558.

-30- 322
#90261c1530 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLIAM R FROGGE III, VP OF COLORADO NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: COLC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,209.

-30- 341
#90261c1531 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ARTHUR C BASS, PRES. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), SOLD 69,053 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,947.

-30- 323
#90261c1532 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES A STEINBACK, BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 12,600 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c1534 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EVA D PEREZ, OFFICER OF CARE PLUS INC. (TICKER: CPLS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c1535 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EVA D PEREZ, OFFICER OF CARE PLUS INC. (TICKER: CPLS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c1536 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER:

CPP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c1537 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c1538 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c1539 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c1540 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c1542 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,544,962.

-30- 315
#90261c1543 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GREGORY E PETSCH, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 18,600 SHARES AT $55.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90261c1544 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GREGORY E PETSCH, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 6,200 SHARES AT $55.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c1545 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 850 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90261c1546 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $52.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c1547 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $52.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c1548 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $52.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c1550 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BENJAMIN M ROSEN, DIR. OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,244.

-30- 321
#90261c1551 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LOUART CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF CERTRON CORP. (TICKER: CRTN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c1552 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LOUART CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF CERTRON CORP. (TICKER: CRTN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,125,200.

-30- 315
#90261c1553 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, SANDRA A KNELL, OFFICER OF COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: CRV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1554 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SANDRA A KNELL, OFFICER OF COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: CRV), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,490.

-30- 341
#90261c1555 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MICHAEL M TOMIC, DIR. OF CHAMPIONS SPORTS INC. (TICKER: CSBR), SOLD 750,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,979,999.

-30- 340
#90261c1556 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROBERT G SWEIFACH, DIR. OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,000.

-30- 318
#90261c1558 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, WILLIAM A FRIEDLANDER, DIR. OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,101.

-30- 328
#90261c1559 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HARVEY A BOOKSTEIN, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,000.

-30- 322
#90261c1560 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 67,700 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c1561 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c1562 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER:

CUS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c1563 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c1564 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 105,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 396,900.

-30- 321
#90261c1566 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c1567 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c1568 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c1569 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c1570 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c1571 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c1572 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,229.

-30- 318
#90261c1574 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1575 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c1576 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,390,900.

-30- 339
#90261c1577 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, BRENTON S HALSEY, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c1578 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, BRENTON S HALSEY, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,932.

-30- 328
#90261c1579 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, A GILFILLAN GRAEME, DIR. OF DYNASTY CLASSICS CORP. (TICKER: DNST), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 320
#90261c1580 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90261c1582 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 314
#90261c1583 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL G KALMAN, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c1584 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, PAUL G KALMAN, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,610.

-30- 291
#90261c1585 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES A KNISTER, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c1586 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JAMES A KNISTER, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,290.

-30- 298
#90261c1587 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, TIMOTHY J FRETTHOLD, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,855.

-30- 343
#90261c1588 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROGER R HEMMINGHAUS, CHAIRMAN OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1590 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, A W O'DONNELL, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,606.

-30- 337
#90261c1591 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J E PRATER, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,056.

-30- 331
#90261c1592 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HARRY D WRIGHT, VP OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,116.

-30- 315
#90261c1593 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $5.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c1594 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 14,600 SHARES AT $5.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c1595 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.39 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c1596 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $5.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,448,716.

-30- 337
#90261c1598 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c1599 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90261c1600 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,700.

-30- 296
#90261c1601 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GREGORY L SMITH, OFFICER OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90261c1602 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GREGORY L SMITH, OFFICER OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,812.

-30- 306
#90261c1603 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c1604 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90261c1606 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 4,800 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c1607 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 431,750.

-30- 317
#90261c1608 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268

#90261c1609 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c1610 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c1611 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 257,415.

-30- 307
#90261c1612 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM E S CHRISTIANSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EQUIPMENT CO. OF AMERICA (TICKER: ECOA), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 402,708.

-30- 367
#90261c1614 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90261c1615 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 567,000 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90261c1616 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90261c1617 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 340 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000,000.

-30- 341
#90261c1618 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 412,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,079,166.

-30- 329
#90261c1619 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 2,782,494 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c1620 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 605,006 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c1622 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO

3,434,500.

-30- 329
#90261c1623 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CAROLYN J TOBIAS, VP OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS), SOLD 6,250 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c1624 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HARVIE M MERRILL, DIR. OF FIBREBOARD CORP. (TICKER: FBD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 309
#90261c1625 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,750.

-30- 321
#90261c1626 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c1627 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,550.

-30- 317
#90261c1628 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT G JONES, DIR. OF SANIFILL INC. (TICKER: FIL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 300
#90261c1630 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 19, 1990, CLARK H MASTERS, VP OF FLOATING POINT SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FLP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,700.

-30- 324
#90261c1631 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GREGORY G BALDWIN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1632 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GREGORY G BALDWIN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,756.

-30- 343
#90261c1633 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, J BOYD BERT JR, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 845.

-30- 331
#90261c1634 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES A DAILEY, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,007.

-30- 343
#90261c1635 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 6,077 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 336.

-30- 298
#90261c1636 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,781.

-30- 304
#90261c1638 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, KATHERINE AUGUST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,500.

-30- 354
#90261c1639 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c1640 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c1641 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC.

(TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c1642 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 7,600 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,400.

-30- 336
#90261c1643 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FARLEY INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), SOLD 3,750,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,250,000.

-30- 330
#90261c1644 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THOMAS J DIETZ, VP OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c1646 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HOWARD H HAWORTH, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 18,900 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,469.

-30- 317
#90261c1647 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES R LEE, VP OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c1648 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, KENNETH G STANCLIFF, OFFICER OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,621.

-30- 324
#90261c1649 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ANITA L WALLGREN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CO. (TICKER: GACC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,005.

-30- 340
#90261c1650 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $53.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1651 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $52.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1652 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $51.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1654 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN J LOUIS JR, DIR. OF GANNETT CO. (TICKER: GCI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800,538.

-30- 299
#90261c1655 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, NEAL A DEGERSTROM, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: GDEX), BOUGHT 910,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,393,988.

-30- 340
#90261c1656 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, VICTOR POSNER, BEN. OWNER OF GUILFORD MILLS INC. (TICKER: GFD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 960,000.

-30- 327
#90261c1657 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FREDERICK D BERKELEY, CHAIRMAN OF GRAHAM CORP. (TICKER: GHM), SOLD 21,505 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 173,052.

-30- 318
#90261c1658 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c1659 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c1660 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC.

(TICKER: GII), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c1662 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c1663 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c1664 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,625.

-30- 331
#90261c1665 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT M FRIEDLAND, DIR. OF GALACTIC RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: GLC), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $3.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,000.

-30- 335
#90261c1666 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, A I DRAZIN, VP OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 300
#90261c1667 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRED HELLER, CHAIRMAN OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c1668 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRED HELLER, CHAIRMAN OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175,840.

-30- 317
#90261c1670 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c1671 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c1672 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c1673 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 6,800 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,600.

-30- 317

#90261c1674 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RALPH T MCELVENNY JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GOLDEN OIL CO. (DEL) (TICKER: GOCO), BOUGHT 80,516 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 871,525.

-30- 378
#90261c1675 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90261c1676 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 30,076 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 905,113.

-30- 370
#90261c1678 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RESEARCH INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF GREATER WASHINGTON INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: GWA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 136,200.

-30- 363
#90261c1679 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JACKIE R SKINNER, SHAREHOLDER OF HALLIBURTON CO. (TICKER: HAL), SOLD 1,003 SHARES AT $55.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,188.

-30- 323
#90261c1680 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD.

(TICKER: CLIF), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,000.

-30- 332
#90261c1681 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, DAVID S LAWI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,000.

-30- 331
#90261c1682 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HERBERT M PEARLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), BOUGHT 120,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 120,000.

-30- 328
#90261c1683 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90261c1684 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c1686 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,939.

-30- 299
#90261c1687 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c1688 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c1689 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c1690 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 317
#90261c1691 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES M BROSTOWITZ, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,886.

-30- 320
#90261c1692 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c1694 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 31, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 28,000 SHARES AT $1.89 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 710,000.

-30- 304
#90261c1695 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 23, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 303
#90261c1696 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 54,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90261c1697 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 09, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90261c1698 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 17, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 522,750.

-30- 304
#90261c1699 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $2.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 468,750.

-30- 304
#90261c1700 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 14,750 SHARES AT $0.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 957,284.

-30- 304
#90261c1702 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 23, 1988, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 704,750.

-30- 302
#90261c1703 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 138,000 SHARES AT $2.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,500.

-30- 304
#90261c1704 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 04, 1990, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 853,052.

-30- 302
#90261c1705 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 359,083 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 493,969.

-30- 304
#90261c1706 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 09, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c1707 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 17, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c1708 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CHARLES E HARRIS, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1710 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WILLIAM R POLK, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c1711 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM R POLK, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,000.

-30- 327
#90261c1712 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PHILIP M SKIDMORE, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,500.

-30- 333
#90261c1713 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PATRICK W HOPPER, DIR. OF HEALTH INSURANCE OF VERMONT, INC (TICKER: HIVT), BOUGHT 3,053 SHARES AT $7.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 134,686.

-30- 345
#90261c1714 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 16, 1990, JAY O MARGOLIES, PRES. OF HOLLAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOLL), BOUGHT 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,292,137.

-30- 329
#90261c1715 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 16, 1990, MICHAEL MARGOLIES, CHAIRMAN OF HOLLAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOLL), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,800,987.

-30- 334
#90261c1716 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LARRY D HORNBECK, CHAIRMAN OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HOSS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 257,710.

-30- 344
#90261c1718 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RICHARD W SCHULZE, VP OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,539.

-30- 323
#90261c1719 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN R TEITGEN, VP OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,300.

-30- 320
#90261c1720 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF HYDE ATHLETIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HYDE), BOUGHT 3,192 SHARES AT $3.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 310,500.

-30- 349
#90261c1721 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RICHARD L BARKHURST, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP. (TICKER: I), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 350
#90261c1722 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c1723 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c1724 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c1726 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c1727 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c1728 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c1729 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DALE W PHILLIPS, VP OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL CORP. (TICKER: ICRR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,649.

-30- 320
#90261c1730 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1731 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1732 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.

(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1734 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1735 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1736 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1737 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c1738 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c1739 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.

(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1740 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1742 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1743 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1744 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1745 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1746 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.

(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1747 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,519,979.

-30- 345
#90261c1748 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1750 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c1751 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1752 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c1753 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ALAN H HUGGINS, VP OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,450 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c1754 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ALAN H HUGGINS, VP OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 550 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,007.

-30- 336
#90261c1755 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, WILLIAM D ALLEN, VP OF INDUSTRIAL FUNDING CORP. (TICKER: IFDC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 318
#90261c1756 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN C APPEL, VP OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,135.

-30- 337
#90261c1758 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PAUL E REINKEN, DIR. OF IFR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IFRS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,967.

-30- 306
#90261c1759 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF INFORMATION INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: IINT), BOUGHT 3,192 SHARES AT $11.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 369,583.

-30- 356
#90261c1760 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL J JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF II-VI INC. (TICKER: IIVI), BOUGHT 1,215 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 468,697.

-30- 305
#90261c1761 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL J JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF II-VI INC. (TICKER: IIVI), BOUGHT 1,215 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 344,338.

-30- 307
#90261c1762 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM B FAZAKERLY, PRES. OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 56,571 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 320,571.

-30- 322
#90261c1763 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DANIEL R HAFEMAN, OFFICER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 13,714 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,429.

-30- 322
#90261c1764 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, INTERVEN II LP, BEN. OWNER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 54,002 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 963,506.

-30- 327
#90261c1766 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DON V INGRAM, BEN. OWNER OF IMCO RECYCLING INC. (TICKER:

IMRI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800,571.

-30- 328
#90261c1767 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DON V INGRAM, BEN. OWNER OF IMCO RECYCLING INC. (TICKER: IMRI), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 363,306.

-30- 328
#90261c1768 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT T BUEHL, DIR. OF INDIANA BANCSHARES INC (TICKER: INBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,934.

-30- 337
#90261c1769 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, PETER BALJET, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY CORP. (TICKER: INT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 845.

-30- 313
#90261c1770 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c1771 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 14, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 298

#90261c1772 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 26, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 9,600 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c1774 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1989, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), BOUGHT 1,020 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,640.

-30- 316
#90261c1775 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 3,900 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c1776 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c1777 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,040.

-30- 314
#90261c1778 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $32.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c1779 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c1780 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 161,517.

-30- 334
#90261c1782 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PHILLIP B ROONEY, DIR. OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c1783 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PHILLIP B ROONEY, DIR. OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $45.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 326
#90261c1784 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ALAN DWIGHT BROWNING, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 349
#90261c1785 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JEFFERIES GROUP INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), SOLD 1,364 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90261c1786 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c1787 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 975 SHARES AT $11.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c1788 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c1790 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF KANEB SERVICES INC. (TICKER: KAB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,000.

-30- 295
#90261c1791 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GEORGE A PETERKIN JR, PRES. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c1792 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GEORGE A PETERKIN JR, PRES. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 552,910.

-30- 308
#90261c1793 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN H VRZALIK SR, VP OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c1794 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN H VRZALIK SR, VP OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI), SOLD 10,500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,404.

-30- 321
#90261c1795 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 17,737 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c1796 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,008 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c1798 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c1799 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90261c1800 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,302.

-30- 328
#90261c1801 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c1802 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90261c1803 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90261c1804 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 05, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293

#90261c1806 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,220.

-30- 331
#90261c1807 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MARC S HERMELIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF K-V PHARMACEUTICAL CO. (TICKER: KV), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,060.

-30- 346
#90261c1808 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES B STUZIN, CHAIRMAN OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c1809 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES B STUZIN, CHAIRMAN OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,676 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 644,070.

-30- 344
#90261c1810 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, RUTH E STUZIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,676 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 711,208.

-30- 382
#90261c1811 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM G COMBS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LONGS DRUG STORES

CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $41.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,300.

-30- 344
#90261c1812 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, GENERAL ELECTRIC CO, BEN. OWNER OF LODGISTIX INC. (TICKER: LDGX), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1814 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c1815 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,400.

-30- 304
#90261c1816 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HUGH M PETERS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 5,333 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,833.

-30- 322
#90261c1817 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOYCE A RIZZO, DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 5,333 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,333.

-30- 295
#90261c1818 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT M RUBIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 26,666 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90261c1819 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1820 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1822 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1823 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1824 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1825 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1826 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c1827 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1828 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1830 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1831 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1832 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,200 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1833 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c1834 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1835 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,861,496.

-30- 365
#90261c1836 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 463 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c1838 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 6,551 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90261c1839 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 3,924 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90261c1840 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 6,272 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90261c1841 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 144 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c1842 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $81.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c1843 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $77.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c1844 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $74.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,511,493.

-30- 352

#90261c1846 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c1847 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c1848 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c1849 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90261c1850 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c1851 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317

#90261c1852 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32.

-30- 352
#90261c1854 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 13,600 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90261c1855 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90261c1856 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $5.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90261c1857 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90261c1858 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 22,500 SHARES AT $4.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90261c1859 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 8,400 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90261c1860 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $4.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90261c1862 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90261c1863 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,786,300.

-30- 373
#90261c1864 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 26, 1989, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $25.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c1865 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1989, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 225 SHARES AT $25.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c1866 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 22, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90261c1867 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $37.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90261c1868 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $38.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c1870 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 27,300 SHARES AT $15.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90261c1871 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 90,000 SHARES AT $15.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90261c1872 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90261c1873 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,890,500.

-30- 375
#90261c1874 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ALAN D NOLET, OFFICER OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90261c1875 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ALAN D NOLET, OFFICER OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,179.

-30- 315
#90261c1876 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAN JOHANNESSEN, VP OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 332
#90261c1878 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c1879 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c1880 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 45,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1881 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1882 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c1883 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 51,000 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1884 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c1886 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES E MURCOTT, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 413,470.

-30- 333
#90261c1887 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 12, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90261c1888 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 16, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90261c1889 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 24, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c1890 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90261c1891 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,285.

-30- 293
#90261c1892 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GARY R SMITH, VP OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 1,337 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c1894 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOSEPH L GUARRIELLO, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,388.

-30- 344
#90261c1895 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c1896 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 355,840.

-30- 333
#90261c1897 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c1898 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN CAMPBELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 8,691 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 508,446.

-30- 323
#90261c1899 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THOMAS D EBLING, VP OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 1,538 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,770.

-30- 295
#90261c1900 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD S HICKOK, DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,564.

-30- 301
#90261c1902 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DAVID M STONER, VP OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 1,521 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 141,967.

-30- 295
#90261c1903 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DONALD P HORWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c1904 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RICHARD J LEACH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,971.

-30- 337
#90261c1905 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 378,555 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90261c1906 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ANTHONY C DAMORE, DIR. OF MEDICORE INC. (TICKER: MDK), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,990.

-30- 303
#90261c1907 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM MCCOLLAM JR, DIR. OF MCDERMOTT INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MDR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90261c1908 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EARL E BAKKEN, DIR. OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT), SOLD 13,500 SHARES AT $76.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90261c1910 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LIONEL I PINCUS, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 193,965 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,586,508.

-30- 320
#90261c1911 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN L VOGELSTEIN, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 193,965 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,586,508.

-30- 326
#90261c1912 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WARBURG PINCUS CAP CO LP, BEN. OWNER OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 161,637 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,322,090.

-30- 351
#90261c1913 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WARBURG PINCUS CAP PARTNR LP, BEN. OWNER OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 32,328 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,264,418.

-30- 358
#90261c1914 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, EMIL J KOE, DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,080.

-30- 313
#90261c1915 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, HAROLD G SPRIGGS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $3.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c1916 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, HAROLD G SPRIGGS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,533.

-30- 349
#90261c1918 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, CHESTER J SILVESTRI, DIV. OFFICER OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,249.

-30- 345
#90261c1919 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DONALD RATAJCZAK, OFFICER OF MORGAN KEEGAN INC. (TICKER: MOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,850.

-30- 319
#90261c1920 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT B SEIDEL, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,916.

-30- 321
#90261c1921 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TERRY L TROUPE, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,088.

-30- 321
#90261c1922 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ALBERT W MERCK, DIR. OF MERCK & CO. (TICKER: MRK), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $87.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 143,380.

-30- 297
#90261c1923 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RONALD C DEMEO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARIETTA CORP. (TICKER: MRTA), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 329
#90261c1924 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RONALD C DEMEO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARIETTA CORP. (TICKER: MRTA), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 329
#90261c1926 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GARY HILLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c1927 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GARY HILLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,349,960.

-30- 331
#90261c1928 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SCOTTY B PATRICK, DIR. OF MELAMINE CHEMICALS INC. (TICKER: MTWO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 326
#90261c1929 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES R GLYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c1930 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES R GLYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,117.

-30- 321
#90261c1931 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, KARL S HAY, DIR. OF MYERS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MYE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90261c1932 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, KARL S HAY, DIR. OF MYERS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MYE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90261c1934 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, COMMON INVESTMENT FUND, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBM), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,213.

-30- 355
#90261c1935 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c1936 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1937 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC.

(TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,537.

-30- 340
#90261c1938 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DON W SANDS, DIR. OF NATIONAL DATA CORP. (TICKER: NDTA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c1939 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DON W SANDS, DIR. OF NATIONAL DATA CORP. (TICKER: NDTA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 303
#90261c1940 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LESTER J LLOYD, SHAREHOLDER OF NELLCOR INC. (TICKER: NELL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,516.

-30- 314
#90261c1942 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GEORGE E COMSTOCK, VP OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 122,000.

-30- 322
#90261c1943 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c1944 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c1945 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c1946 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c1947 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.72 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,440,727.

-30- 330
#90261c1948 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CONCEPT COMMUNICATIONS INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1950 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT M GARDINER, DIR. OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271

#90261c1951 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT M GARDINER, DIR. OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 309
#90261c1952 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD A HELLER, OFFICER OF NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: NSCO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c1953 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RICHARD A HELLER, OFFICER OF NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: NSCO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90261c1954 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES H BUTLER, DIR. OF NOVA CORP. OF ALBERTA (TICKER: NVA), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,000.

-30- 318
#90261c1955 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT H B BALDWIN, DIR. OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 351
#90261c1956 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c1958 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 113,789.

-30- 338
#90261c1959 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $13.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1960 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1961 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1962 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c1963 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC.

(TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1964 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $14.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c1966 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 55,000 SHARES AT $12.51 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1967 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 25,500 SHARES AT $12.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c1968 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 29,500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,213,778.

-30- 363
#90261c1969 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT C ERNEST, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c1970 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT C ERNEST, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,600.

-30- 317
#90261c1971 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $6.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90261c1972 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 831,685.

-30- 326
#90261c1974 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA TESS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 818,285.

-30- 340
#90261c1975 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $35.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90261c1976 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 20,400 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318

#90261c1977 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 6,503 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,243,776.

-30- 356
#90261c1978 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RICHARD HOULIHAN, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 331
#90261c1979 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c1980 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c1982 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ROSEMARY TOMICH, DIR. OF OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: OXY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 326
#90261c1983 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARTHUR J SIMPSON JR, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 1,538,462 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c1984 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARTHUR J SIMPSON JR, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 2,925,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,657,692.

-30- 339
#90261c1985 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SOUTHMARK CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 1,538,462 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90261c1986 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SOUTHMARK CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 2,925,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,657,692.

-30- 330
#90261c1987 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT K BURGESS, PRES. OF PHM CORP. (TICKER: PHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c1988 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT K BURGESS, PRES. OF PHM CORP. (TICKER: PHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 296
#90261c1990 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FREDRIC M ROSEMORE, CHAIRMAN OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 559,183.

-30- 330
#90261c1991 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DARYL L SWANSTROM, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PENN ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING CORP. (TICKER: PNN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,747.

-30- 391
#90261c1992 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 13,875 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1993 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,500 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1994 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,550 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1995 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,550 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,141,730.

-30- 336

#90261c1996 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 33,000 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c1998 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,199,205.

-30- 336
#90261c1999 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c2000 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c2001 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c2002 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c2003 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c2004 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c2006 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c2007 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c2008 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c2009 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c2010 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,000.

-30- 328
#90261c2011 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c2012 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c2014 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c2015 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c2016 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c2017 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 24,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c2018 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c2019 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c2020 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c2022 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,206,050.

-30- 347
#90261c2023 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BCE INC, BEN. OWNER OF QUEBECOR INC. (TICKER: PQB), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $10.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

5,038,500.

-30- 305
#90261c2024 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c2025 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c2026 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c2027 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 293,000.

-30- 361
#90261c2028 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF PUBCO CORP. (TICKER: PUBO), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $7.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,938.

-30- 304
#90261c2030 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 349 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c2031 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,588 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c2032 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 8,443 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c2033 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,835 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c2034 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,589 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c2035 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 482 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c2036 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 6,344 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c2038 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 2,538 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c2039 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 6,343 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,487,593.

-30- 354
#90261c2040 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $12.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c2041 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $12.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c2042 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c2043 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c2044 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c2046 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c2047 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c2048 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, E C GWALTNEY, CHAIRMAN OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 777,080.

-30- 312
#90261c2049 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THOMAS H POTTS, PRES. OF RAC MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CORP. (TICKER: RMR), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 176,692.

-30- 337
#90261c2050 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROCKWELL INTL CORP ESP, BEN. OWNER OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), BOUGHT 393,428 SHARES AT $24.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90261c2051 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RONALD A WARD, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,780.

-30- 333
#90261c2052 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, L KIRKE MOORE, DIR. OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 21,400 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c2054 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID K HUNT, VP OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,680.

-30- 305
#90261c2055 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, HAYS T WATKINS, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,951.

-30- 316
#90261c2056 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c2057 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c2058 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 8,300 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c2059 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c2060 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c2062 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c2063 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c2064 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c2065 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c2066 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 64,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 449,057.

-30- 339
#90261c2067 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ANDREW W MILLER, DIR. OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF), SOLD 16,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c2068 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90261c2070 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER

SHARE.

-30- 338
#90261c2071 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90261c2072 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90261c2073 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TURNER BYRON, VP OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SEC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c2074 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, TURNER BYRON, VP OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SEC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,185.

-30- 320
#90261c2075 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2076 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2078 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2079 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c2080 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c2081 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2082 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,383,280.

-30- 361

#90261c2083 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WALDO E YEAGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SEAWAY FOOD TOWN INC. (TICKER: SEWY), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2084 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c2086 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c2087 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c2088 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c2089 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307

#90261c2090 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c2091 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c2092 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c2094 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c2095 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c2096 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303

#90261c2097 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c2098 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c2099 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c2100 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c2102 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, CHARLES W SCHWEIZER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,926.

-30- 351
#90261c2103 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, BAUPOST LTD PARTNERSHIP 83, BEN. OWNER OF SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC. (TICKER: SFE), BOUGHT 9,200 SHARES AT $10.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 529,400.

-30- 365
#90261c2104 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CHARLES W CORBITT, DIR. OF SFFED CORP. (TICKER: SFFD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,000.

-30- 301
#90261c2105 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF SILICON GRAPHICS INC. (TICKER: SGI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $25.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 329
#90261c2106 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, ROBERT N GOLDMAN, DIR. OF SAGE SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: SGSI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c2107 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90261c2108 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90261c2110 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DOCTOR R CRANTS, DIR. OF SAHARA RESORTS (TICKER: SHRE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,000.

-30- 308
#90261c2111 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE B CLAIRMONT, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90261c2112 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE B CLAIRMONT, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90261c2113 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CLAIRMONT GEORGE B TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90261c2114 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CLAIRMONT GEORGE B TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90261c2115 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c2116 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c2118 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c2119 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c2120 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 96,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c2121 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c2122 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c2123 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO

795,800.

-30- 324
#90261c2124 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 319
#90261c2126 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,250 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c2127 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2128 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2129 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 6,800 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c2130 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2131 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2132 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2134 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2135 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2136 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2137 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 5,300 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c2138 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c2139 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c2140 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c2142 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c2143 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 13,900 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c2144 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 42,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c2145 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c2146 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2147 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 46,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c2148 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c2150 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c2151 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 34,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c2152 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 42,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c2153 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 363,900.

-30- 325
#90261c2154 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,400.

-30- 341
#90261c2155 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2156 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c2158 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c2159 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 96,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2160 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c2161 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2162 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 206,400.

-30- 346
#90261c2163 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272

#90261c2164 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c2166 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c2167 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c2168 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 96,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c2169 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c2170 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274

#90261c2171 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,800.

-30- 315
#90261c2172 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK D KNOX, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SIXX HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: SIXX), BOUGHT 23,000 SHARES AT $0.57 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,263.

-30- 358
#90261c2174 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDWARD BLACKWELL DAVID, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SCORE EXPL CORP (TICKER: SKOR), BOUGHT 787,369 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,696,669.

-30- 383
#90261c2175 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAY L FEDERMAN, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c2176 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAY L FEDERMAN, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 147,803.

-30- 345
#90261c2177 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOMAS E BLUME, OFFICER OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR),

BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,709.

-30- 302
#90261c2178 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c2179 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90261c2180 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,750.

-30- 294
#90261c2182 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOSEPH J MCDOWELL, CHAIRMAN OF SOLITEC INC. (TICKER: SOLI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 314
#90261c2183 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOSEPH M RICHTER, OFFICER OF THE SOMERSET GROUP INC. (TICKER: SOMR), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $7.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,000.

-30- 335
#90261c2184 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FITZLEE H COKER, DIR. OF SONOCO PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: SONO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 561,304.

-30- 308
#90261c2185 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES G BOSWELL II, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 327
#90261c2186 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DAVID J TAYLOR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUN SPORTSWEAR INC. (TICKER: SSPW), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c2187 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID J TAYLOR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUN SPORTSWEAR INC. (TICKER: SSPW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 334
#90261c2188 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, CHRISTOPHER P VELTMANN, OFFICER OF STANDARD OIL & EXPL OF DELAWARE INC. (TICKER: STDO), SOLD 46,550 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90261c2190 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 02, 1989, INVSTMNT SVNGS PLN STANHOME, BEN. OWNER OF STANHOME INC. (TICKER: STH), BOUGHT 142 SHARES AT $19.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c2191 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 01, 1989, INVSTMNT SVNGS PLN STANHOME, BEN. OWNER OF STANHOME INC. (TICKER: STH), BOUGHT 413 SHARES AT $26.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c2192 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 04, 1990, STEPHEN L WILSON, VP OF ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: STJM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 317
#90261c2193 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MICHAEL E ROSEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHOP TELEVISION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: STNP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.93 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,778,350.

-30- 346
#90261c2194 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c2195 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 45,800 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c2196 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 22,500 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c2198 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 30,600 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,183,400.

-30- 342
#90261c2199 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN VIDA, SHAREHOLDER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 45,150 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,071,652.

-30- 304
#90261c2200 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c2201 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c2202 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c2203 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC.

(TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c2204 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c2206 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN F MOYNAHAN, OFFICER OF SYM-TEK SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SYMK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 327
#90261c2207 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, C PHILIP CHAPMAN, OFFICER OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,500.

-30- 316
#90261c2208 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, S THOMAS EMERSON, CHAIRMAN OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c2209 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, S THOMAS EMERSON, CHAIRMAN OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 244,000.

-30- 319
#90261c2210 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GEOFFREY W GATES, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,500.

-30- 302
#90261c2211 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, HARWOOD SHEPARD, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c2212 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HARWOOD SHEPARD, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 3,850 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 103,650.

-30- 302
#90261c2214 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RUSSELL T STERN JR, DIR. OF SYNTRO CORP. (TICKER: SYNT), BOUGHT 68,650 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 298,650.

-30- 303
#90261c2215 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF TELEBIT CORP. (TICKER: TBIT), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c2216 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF TELEBIT CORP. (TICKER: TBIT), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 736,106.

-30- 313

#90261c2217 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DEAN A FOSSEY, DIR. OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,166.

-30- 311
#90261c2218 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROY M SVEE, DIR. OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 307
#90261c2219 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ROBERT E CRAINE, VP OF T/SF COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: TCM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,800.

-30- 320
#90261c2220 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROGER C LUCAS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TECHNE CORP. (TICKER: TECH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 248,608.

-30- 323
#90261c2222 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LARRY T MAREK, VP OF TELECOM CORP. (TICKER: TEL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 291
#90261c2223 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 31, 1989, GEORGE W CHAMILLARD, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,568.

-30- 304
#90261c2224 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RICHARD E DYCK, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,015.

-30- 294
#90261c2225 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90261c2226 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90261c2227 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90261c2228 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90261c2230 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RICHARD LESSER, OFFICER OF TJX COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: TJX), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

69,633.

-30- 316
#90261c2231 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c2232 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c2233 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c2234 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c2235 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c2236 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS

SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c2238 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c2239 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c2240 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c2241 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c2242 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90261c2243 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS

SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,761,510.

-30- 357
#90261c2244 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, BARRY F WHARITY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF TRANSMATION INC. (TICKER: TRNS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 337
#90261c2246 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

G.C. WRENN OWNS 332,608 SHARES (6.60%) OF APPLIED BIOSCIENCE INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: APBI) OF EAST MILLSTONE, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990, Mr. Wrenn and Mr. Highland were elected as members of the board of APBI to serve for terms expiring at the 1992 meeting of APBI stockholders and the 1991 annual meeting of stockholders of APBI, respectively. In addition, Mr. Wrenn also has been appointed to a five-member management executive committee. Mr. Wrenn acquired 332,608 shares of common stock of APBI pursuant to the merger of a wholly-owned subsidiary of APBI with and into ENVIRON, in exchange for certain shares of common stock of ENVIRON formerly beneficially owned by Mr. Wrenn. Upon the consummation of the merger, the corporate existence of the subsidiary of APBI involved in the merger terminated and ENVIRON, the surviving corporation, became a wholly-owned subsidiary of APBI. 33,261 shares of common stock of APBI owned by Mr. Wrenn are subject to an escrow agreement dated Sept. 7, 1990 between APBI, Midlantic National Bank and Grover C. Wrenn, whereby dividends, if any, payable on or with respect to the shares, are deposited with Midlantic National Bank. Mr. Wrenn and APBI have executed a letter agreement dated Sept. 7, 1990 pursuant to which he agreed not to dispose of his shares of APBI common stock until APBI has published consolidated financial results covering at least 30 days of post-merger combined operations of APBI and ENVIRON. Pursuant to the terms of a registration rights agreement between APBI and the principal shareholders dated Sept. 7, 1990, the principal shareholders have the right to have registered under the Securities Act, the shares of APBI common stock received by them in the merger, including the 332,608 shares of APBI received by Mr. Wrenn in the merger. Pursuant to the merger agreement, the shareholders of ENVIRON (Messrs. Wrenn, Highland, Wenger, Harris and Rodricks) are jointly and

severally liable with respect to certain indemnity claims that may be made by APBI arising out of the merger.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90261c2247 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.H. HARRIS OWNS 332,608 SHARES (6.60%) OF APPLIED BIOSCIENCE INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: APBI) OF EAST MILLSTONE, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990, Mr. Wrenn and Mr. Highland were elected as members of the board of APBI to serve for terms expiring at the 1992 meeting of APBI stockholders and the 1991 annual meeting of stockholders of APBI, respectively. In addition, Mr. Wrenn also has been appointed to a five-member management executive committee. Mr. Harris acquired 332,608 shares of common stock of APBI pursuant to the merger of a wholly-owned subsidiary of APBI with and into ENVIRON, in exchange for certain shares of common stock of ENVIRON formerly beneficially owned by Mr. Harris. Upon the consummation of the merger the corporate existence of the subsidiary of APBI involved in the merger terminated and ENVIRON, the surviving corporation, became a wholly-owned subsidiary of APBI. 33,261 shares of common stock of APBI owned by Mr. Harris are subject to an escrow agreement dated Sept. 7, 1990 between APBI, Midlantic National Bank and Grover C. Wrenn, whereby dividends, if any, payable on or with respect to the shares, are deposited with Midlantic National Bank. Mr. Harris and APBI have executed a letter agreement dated Sept. 7, 1990 pursuant to which he agreed not to dispose of his shares of APBI common stock until APBI has published consolidated financial results covering at least 30 days of post-merger combined operations of APBI and ENVIRON. Pursuant to the terms of a registration rights agreement between APBI and the principal shareholders dated Sept. 7, 1990, the principal shareholders have the right to have registered under the Securities Act, the shares of APBI common stock received by them in the merger, including the 332,608 shares of APBI received by Mr. Harris in the merger. Pursuant to the merger agreement, the shareholders of ENVIRON (Messrs. Wrenn, Highland, Wenger, Harris and Rodricks) are jointly and severally liable with respect to certain indemnity claims that may be made by APBI arising out of the merger.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 2339
#90261c2248 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.H. HIGHLAND OWNS 332,608 SHARES (6.60%) OF APPLIED BIOSCIENCE INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: APBI) OF EAST MILLSTONE, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990, Mr. Wrenn and Mr. Highland were elected as members of the board of APBI to serve for terms expiring at the 1992 meeting of APBI stockholders and the 1991 annual meeting of stockholders of APBI, respectively. In addition, Mr. Wrenn also has been appointed to a five-member management executive committee. Mr. Highland acquired 332,608 shares of common stock of APBI pursuant to the merger of a wholly-owned subsidiary of APBI with and into ENVIRON, in exchange for certain shares of common stock of ENVIRON formerly beneficially owned by Mr. Highland. Upon the consummation of the merger, the corporate existence of the subsidiary of APBI involved in the merger terminated and ENVIRON, the surviving corporation, became a wholly-owned subsidiary of APBI. 33,261 shares of common stock of APBI owned by Mr. Highland are subject to an escrow agreement dated Sept. 7, 1990 between APBI, Midlantic National Bank and Grover C. Wrenn, whereby dividends, if any, payable on or with respect to the shares, are deposited with Midlantic National Bank. Mr. Highland and APBI have executed a letter agreement dated Sept. 7, 1990 pursuant to which he agreed not to dispose of his shares of APBI common stock until APBI has published consolidated financial results covering at least 30 days of post-merger combined operations of APBI and ENVIRON. Pursuant to the terms of a registration rights agreement between APBI and the principal shareholders dated Sept. 7, 1990, the principal shareholders have the right to have registered under the Securities Act, the shares of APBI common stock received by them in the merger, including the 332,608 shares of APBI received by Mr. Highland in the merger. Pursuant to the merger agreement, the shareholders of ENVIRON (Messrs. Wrenn, Highland, Wenger, Harris and Rodricks) are jointly and severally liable with respect to certain indemnity claims that may be made by APBI arising out of the merger.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 2369
#90261c2249 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.V. RODRICKS OWNS 332,608 SHARES (6.60%) OF APPLIED BIOSCIENCE INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: APBI) OF EAST MILLSTONE, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990, Mr. Wrenn and Mr. Highland were elected as members of the board of APBI to serve for terms expiring at the 1992 meeting of APBI stockholders and the 1991 annual meeting of stockholders of APBI, respectively. In addition, Mr. Wrenn also has been appointed to a five-member management executive committee. Mr. Rodricks acquired 332,608 shares of common stock of APBI pursuant to the merger of a wholly-owned subsidiary of APBI with and into ENVIRON, in exchange for certain shares of common stock of ENVIRON formerly beneficially owned by Mr. Rodricks. Upon the consummation of the merger, the corporate existence of the subsidiary of APBI involved in the merger terminated and ENVIRON, the surviving corporation, became a wholly-owned subsidiary of APBI. 33,261 shares of common stock of APBI owned by Mr. Rodricks are subject to an escrow agreement dated Sept. 7, 1990 between APBI, Midlantic National Bank and Grover C. Wrenn, whereby dividends, if any, payable on or with respect to the shares, are deposited with Midlantic National Bank. Mr. Rodricks and APBI have executed a letter agreement dated Sept. 7, 1990 pursuant to which he agreed not to dispose of his shares of APBI common stock until APBI has published consolidated financial results covering at least 30 days of post-merger combined operations of APBI and ENVIRON. Pursuant to the terms of a registration rights agreement between APBI and the principal shareholders dated Sept. 7, 1990, the principal shareholders have the right to have registered under the Securities Act, the shares of APBI common stock received by them in the merger, including the 332,608 shares of APBI received by Mr. Rodricks in the merger. Pursuant to the merger agreement, the shareholders of ENVIRON (Messrs. Wrenn, Highland, Wenger, Harris and Rodricks) are jointly and severally liable with respect to certain indemnity claims that may be made by APBI arising out of the merger.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 2355
#90261c2250 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.M. WENGER OWNS 332,608 SHARES (6.60%) OF APPLIED BIOSCIENCE INTERNATIONAL

INC (TICKER: APBI) OF EAST MILLSTONE, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990, Mr. Wrenn and Mr. Highland were elected as members of the board of APBI to serve for terms expiring at the 1992 meeting of APBI stockholders and the 1991 annual meeting of stockholders of APBI, respectively. In addition, Mr. Wrenn also has been appointed to a five-member management executive committee. Mr. Wenger acquired 332,608 shares of common stock of APBI pursuant to the merger of a wholly-owned subsidiary of APBI with and into ENVIRON, in exchange for certain shares of common stock of ENVIRON formerly beneficially owned by Mr. Wenger. Upon the consummation of the merger the corporate existence of the subsidiary of APBI involved in the merger terminated and ENVIRON, the surviving corporation, became a wholly-owned subsidiary of APBI. 33,261 shares of common stock of APBI owned by Mr. Wenger are subject to an escrow agreement dated Sept. 7, 1990 between APBI, Midlantic National Bank and Grover C. Wrenn, whereby dividends, if any, payable on or with respect to the shares, are deposited with Midlantic National Bank. Mr. Wenger and APBI have executed a letter agreement dated Sept. 7, 1990 pursuant to which he agreed not to dispose of his shares of APBI common stock until APBI has published consolidated financial results covering at least 30 days of post-merger combined operations of APBI and ENVIRON. Pursuant to the terms of a registration rights agreement between APBI and the principal shareholders dated Sept. 7, 1990, the principal shareholders have the right to have registered under the Securities Act, the shares of APBI common stock received by them in the merger, including the 332,608 shares of APBI received by Mr. Wenger in the merger. Pursuant to the merger agreement, the shareholders of ENVIRON (Messrs. Wrenn, Highland, Wenger, Harris and Rodricks) are jointly and severally liable with respect to certain indemnity claims that may be made by APBI arising out of the merger.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 2339
#90261c2251 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

P.E. MALLOY III OWNS 300,000 SHARES (9.38%) OF NEW YORK BANCORP INC (TICKER: NYBC) OF DOUGLASTON, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 13, 1990, Mr. Malloy and Mr. McManus commenced an action,

individually and derivatively on behalf of the company, in the Delaware Chancery Court against the members of the company's board (other than themselves). The complaint alleges, among other things, that the defendant directors have breached their fiduciary duties by acting directly contrary to the expressed wishes of the stockholders who voted for Messrs. Malloy and McManus and who thereby expressed their desire to have Messrs. Malloy and McManus actively participate in the supervising of Home Federal Savings Bank, the company's only substantial asset. Also, allegedly, the defendant directors have improperly delegated complete supervision over the affairs of the bank to the bank's board of directors; have unlawfully excluded Messrs. Malloy and McManus from membership on the bank's board; and have prevented Malloy and McManus from even attending meetings of the bank board.

PURPOSE:

Complaint action.

-30- 1330
#90261c2252 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY MEZZANINE LENDING ASSOCIATES II LP OWNS 500,701 SHARES (9.70%) OF SYLVAN FOODS HLDGS INC (TICKER: SYLN) OF WORTHINGTON, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 12 through Sept. 17, 1990, MLA II and MLA III purchased 24,448 and 50,552 shares of common stock in open-market transactions, respectively, at a price of $5.63 per share.

-30- 554
#90261c2254 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 14, 1990, Kansas City Power & Light Co.(TICKER: KAN) sent a letter to Kansas Gas & Electric (TICKER: KSGE) seeking an explanation of the delay of the receipt by Kansas City Power & Light Co. of the non public information promised on Sept. 12, 1990. On Sept. 17, 1990, Kansas City Power & Light Co. extended its offer to Oct. 19, 1990. On Sept. 6, 1990, the credit agreement was amended so that the purchaser shall be required to repay the outstanding

acquisition loans and, when the acquisition loans have been repaid in full, the revolving loans, in an amount equal to the net cash proceeds received by the purchaser or any of its material subsidiaries from the sale or issuance of any indebtedness for borrowed money or equity securities.

-30- 986
#90261c2258 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY PEASE FAMILY INVESTMENTS LTD OWNS 1,295,186 SHARES (55.10%) OF WILLARD PEASE OIL & GAS CO (TICKER: WPOG) OF GRAND JUNCTION, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Willard Pease Sr. is the chairman and a director of Willard Pease Oil & Gas Co. and Willard Pease Jr. is the president, CEO and a director of Willard Pease Oil & Gas Co. Pease Family Investments LTD acquired their shares in transactions dating back to 1972.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 666
#90261c2259 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

J.P. LENNANE OF SACRAMENTO, CA OWNS 1,283,100 SHARES (9.67%) OF ASK COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: ASKI) OF MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.P. Lennane purchased 282,000 shares from Sept. 4-17, 1990 for $7.50 to $8.13 per share.

-30- 450
#90261c2260 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

L. LOWIN OF GREENWICH, CT OWNS 1,025,400 SHARES (26.30%) OF AEL INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: AELN) OF LANDSDALE, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Ael Industries Inc. purchased 110,000 shares on Sept. 10-11, 1990 for $4.63 per share.

-30- 421
#90261c2261 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY W.S. FRIEDMAN OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 831,552 SHARES (23.60%) OF NATIONAL INCOME REALTY TRUST (TICKER: NIRT) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

W.S. Friedman purchased 18,000 shares from Aug. 22 to Sept. 6, 1990 for $5.88 to $6.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 499
#90261c2262 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

R. OLEARY OWNS 143,500 SHARES (4.50%) OF SCANFORMS INC (TICKER: SCFM) OF BRISTOL, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 5, 1990, J. Roy Morris, the chairman of the company, filed a complaint New York against Sebastian Carcioppolo, Mr. Samans, Mr. Seidman, Mr. Levine, Cybermatics Inc. and the company. The complaint alleges that Carcioppolo breached his fiduciary duties to Morris. Upon the affidavit of Morris and the complaint, the court on Sept. 5, 1990, issued an ex parte order restraining Carcioppolo from selling his stock in the company and enjoining defendants from participating in any special meeting of the board, scheduled

for Sept. 5, 1990, which was cancelled. On Sept. 6, 1990, a notice was sent to directors that a special meeting was to be held on Sept. 14, 1990. At a hearing on Sept. 12, 1990, the court extended the Sept. 5 order but did not take any action with regard to the Sept. 14 special meeting. The court has advised plaintiff's and defendants' counsel that it will make a determination as to whether to hold a hearing on the preliminary injunction request promptly.

PURPOSE:

Filing of complaint.

-30- 1332
#90261c2263 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY UNITED INVESTORS MANAGEMENT CO OF BIRMINGHAM, AL OWNS 40,837,009 SHARES (87.20%) OF ENERGY ASSETS INTL CORP (TICKER: EAIC) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

United Investors Management Co. purchased 2,647,188 shares from two stockholders for $1,323,594. Energy Assets has tentatively determined to propose to its remaining minority shareholders a merger in which such shareholders would receive cash for their shares, with Torch Energy becoming the sole shareholder.

-30- 698
#90261c2265 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GROUP LED BY KAUFMAN ALSBERG & CO INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 252,200 SHARES (4.40%) OF KYSOR INDUSTRIAL CORP (TICKER: KZ) OF CADILLAC, MI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As of Sept. 14, 1990 Kaufman Alsberg & Co. ceased to hold more than five percent of Kysor Industrial Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 14, 1990, Kaufmann, Alsberg sold 483,000 shares to the company for $9.15 per share.

-30- 598
#90261c2266 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

SOUTHMARK CORP OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 3,657,692 SHARES (7.20%) OF PRATT HOTEL CORP (TICKER: PHC) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 14, 1989, Southmark filed a voluntary petition seeking reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. On July 23, 1990, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the northern district of Texas, Dallas Division, entered an order confirming Southmark's fourth amended and restated plan of reorganization dated June 1, 1990, as modified. The effective date of the plan was Aug. 10, 1990. On Aug. 15, 1990, Southmark entered into a stock purchase agreement by and among the New Jersey Trustee, Southmark and PBC Inc., pursuant to which, PBC agreed to purchase from the New Jersey Trustee 1,538,462 shares of common stock of Pratt Hotel Corp. at a price of $.30 per share or $461,539. The New Jersey Trustee consented to the sale transaction by entering into the purchase agreement and by executing a release and assignment dated Aug. 28, 1990; the closing of this sale transaction occurred in Dallas, Texas, on Aug. 31, 1990. On Aug. 15, 1990, Southmark entered into a stock purchase agreement by and among the New Jersey Trustee, Southmark, PBC and American Founders Life Insurance Co., whereby the shares that were sold were held by American pursuant to a certain put option and security agreement dated June 29, 1988, between Southmark and American, and were also subject to that certain put option and security agreement dated June 29, 1988, between Southmark and Phoenician Commercial Properties Inc. PBC agreed to purchase from the New Jersey Trustee 2,925,000 shares of Pratt Hotel Corp.'s common stock at a purchase price of $.30 per share or $877,500. The New Jersey Trustee consented to the sale transaction by entering into the American Founders purchase agreement and by executing a release and assignment dated Aug. 28, 1990 and the closing of this sale transaction occurred in Dallas, Texas, on Aug. 31, 1990. The remaining 3,657,692 shares of Pratt Hotel Corp.'s common stock beneficially owned by Southmark and the New Jersey Trustee are pledged as collateral to the United Jersey Bank as security for a loan. United Jersey Bank filed a motion with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the northern district of Texas, Dallas Division, on Aug. 8, 1990 seeking abandonment by Southmark of its ownership interest in such shares; Southmark does not intend to contest the motion.

-30- 2645
#90261c2267 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

A.J. SIMPSON JR OWNS 3,657,692 SHARES (7.20%) OF PRATT HOTEL CORP (TICKER: PHC) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 14, 1989, Southmark filed a voluntary petition seeking reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. On July 23, 1990, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the northern district of Texas, Dallas Division, entered an order confirming Southmark's fourth amended and restated plan of reorganization dated June 1, 1990, as modified. The effective date of the plan was Aug. 10, 1990. On Aug. 15, 1990, Southmark entered into a stock purchase agreement by and among the New Jersey Trustee, Southmark and PBC Inc., pursuant to which, PBC agreed to purchase from the New Jersey Trustee 1,538,462 shares of common stock of Pratt Hotel Corp. at a price of $.30 per share or $461,539. The New Jersey Trustee consented to the sale transaction by entering into the purchase agreement and by executing a release and assignment dated Aug. 28, 1990; the closing of this sale transaction occurred in Dallas, Texas, on Aug. 31, 1990. On Aug. 15, 1990, Southmark entered into a stock purchase agreement by and among the New Jersey Trustee, Southmark, PBC and American Founders Life Insurance Co., whereby the shares that were sold were held by American pursuant to a certain put option and security agreement dated June 29, 1988, between Southmark and American, and were also subject to that certain put option and security agreement dated June 29, 1988, between Southmark and Phoenician Commercial Properties Inc. PBC agreed to purchase from the New Jersey Trustee 2,925,000 shares of Pratt Hotel Corp.'s common stock at a purchase price of $.30 per share or $877,500. The New Jersey Trustee consented to the sale transaction by entering into the American Founders purchase agreement and by executing a release and assignment dated Aug. 28, 1990 and the closing of this sale transaction occurred in Dallas, Texas, on Aug. 31, 1990. The remaining 3,657,692 shares of Pratt Hotel Corp.'s common stock beneficially owned by Southmark and the New Jersey Trustee are pledged as collateral to the United Jersey Bank as security for a loan. United Jersey Bank filed a motion with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the northern district of Texas, Dallas Division, on Aug. 8, 1990 seeking abandonment by Southmark of its ownership interest in such shares; Southmark does not intend to contest the motion.

-30- 2649
#90261c2268 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY ORION CAPITAL CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 253,400 SHARES (8.30%) OF ROGERS CORP (TICKER: ROG) OF ROGERS, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The 36,800 shares were purchased with $5,476,004 from the general investment funds of Security Re.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 9 through Sept. 13, 1990, Security Re purchased 36,800 shares at a price of $17.69 to $20.81 per share.

-30- 575
#90261c2269 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

R.E. MOULTON OWNS 184,408 SHARES (6.35%) OF SCIENCE DYNAMICS CORP (TICKER: SIDY) OF CHERRY HILL, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 6, 1990 through Sept. 7, 1990, R.E. Moulton purchased 33,900 shares at a price of $1.25 to $2.10 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 479
#90261c2270 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY A. BERGVALL OWNS 253,100 SHARES (13.43%) OF B & H BULK CARRIERS LTD (TICKER: BULKF) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 31 through Sept. 13, 1990, B+H Management purchased 25,000 shares at a price of $3 per share.

PURPOSE:

Shareholders approval of proposed reorganization and purchases of shares.

-30- 538
#90261c2271 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY ALLEN HOLDING INC OWNS 846,200 SHARES (9.54%) OF NU MED INC (TICKER: NUMS) OF ENCINO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Representatives of HPB Associates LP, beneficial owner of 874,800 shares of Nu Med Inc.'s common stock, have advised representatives of Allen Holding Inc. listed herein of HPB's proposal to Nu Med Inc.'s management concerning the addition of an appropriate number of HPB's designees to Nu Med Inc.'s board and strategic planning committee of the board. The effect of this proposal would be to permit HPB designees to participate in Nu Med Inc.'s ongoing consideration of plans and proposals relating to transactions such as disposition of assets, the recapitalization of Nu Med Inc., restructuring of Nu Med Inc.'s business, assets, and/or liabilities or other changes which would increase the value of Nu Med Inc. and its stockholders' interest. Allen Holding Inc. have advised HPB that they support said proposal.

-30- 1148
#90261c2273 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As of Aug. 13, 1990, MHP Machines Inc.(TICKER: MHPI) had 1,084,776 shares of common stock, issued and outstanding. The bidder, Eastern Shore Consolidated Industries Inc. seeks 586,000 shares of common stock from shareholders of MHP at a price of $.50 per share. If less than 586,000 shares of common stock are tendered, the tendered shares shall be purchased, and certain additional shares of common stock shall be issued to ESC pursuant to the terms of an

agreement dated July 23, 1990 between MHP and ESC. The agreement may be terminated if: ESC shall fail to acquire a majority interest in MHP on or before Nov. 30, 1990; any of the representations and warranties made by MHP in the July 23, 1990 agreement with ESC is materially inaccurate; or an event, which has been determined by ESC in its sole discretion as having a materially adverse impact on the business of MHP, has occurred.

-30- 1144
#90261c2274 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ARDSLEY PARTNERS OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 2,009,500 SHARES (11.00%) OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC (TICKER: IRIC) OF CHICAGO, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 17, 1990 through Sept. 7, 1990, Ardsley Parnters purchased 235,000 shares at a price of $8.81 to $14.88 per share.

-30- 489
#90261c2275 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 6,145 SHARES AT $2.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c2276 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c2277 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,598,330.

-30- 338
#90261c2278 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 3,917 SHARES AT $1.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,489.

-30- 334
#90261c2279 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DANIEL L EILERS, OFFICER OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 1,598 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c2281 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HORNBY TRADING INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c2282 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, BERNICE E LAVIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,063,712.

-30- 346
#90261c2283 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, LEONARD H LAVIN, CHAIRMAN OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 644,770.

-30- 325
#90261c2284 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2285 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2286 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2287 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

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#90261c2289 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c2290 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2291 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,842,299.

-30- 343
#90261c2292 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MAX BOTEL, DIR. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 292
#90261c2293 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DEBORAH A DOVE, OFFICER OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c2294 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DEBORAH A DOVE, OFFICER OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90261c2295 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RICHARD A GREENAWALT, PRES. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c2297 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ANDREW D STEINER, DIR. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,000.

-30- 305
#90261c2298 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT GLENN TOINTON, DIR. OF AFFILIATED BANKSHARES OF COLORADO INC. (TICKER: AFBK), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 240,000.

-30- 366
#90261c2299 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT C BISHOP, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,602.

-30- 330
#90261c2300 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD W ULMER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,588.

-30- 328
#90261c2301 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT J BARTZOKAS, VP OF AMERADA HESS CORP. (TICKER: AHC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $51.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,298.

-30- 315
#90261c2302 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, ANTHONY R WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c2303 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, ANTHONY R WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c2305 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WALKER E BLOUNT JR, DIR. OF ALICO INC. (TICKER: ALCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90261c2306 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WALKER E BLOUNT JR, DIR. OF ALICO INC. (TICKER: ALCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 298
#90261c2307 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, GORDON W BENTLEY, OFFICER OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER: ALOT), SOLD 1,253 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c2308 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, HERMANN VIETS, DIR. OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER: ALOT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 298
#90261c2309 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $11.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c2310 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c2311 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 890,000.

-30- 304
#90261c2313 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM F BRANDT JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN WOODMARK CORP. (TICKER: AMWD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,933,889.

-30- 378
#90261c2314 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c2315 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c2316 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c2317 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN),

SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c2318 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c2319 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c2321 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,645.

-30- 295
#90261c2322 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2323 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2324 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND

INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c2325 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2326 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 29, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 340
#90261c2327 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2329 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2330 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2331 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2332 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2333 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2334 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2335 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2337 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN A CRICHTON, DIR. OF ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. (TICKER: ARSD), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 194,546.

-30- 344
#90261c2338 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JOHN A CHMURA, VP OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90261c2339 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN A CHMURA, VP OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 292
#90261c2340 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PHILIP J FOX, OFFICER OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 299
#90261c2341 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90261c2342 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 308
#90261c2343 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RONALD F MURPHY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 325

#90261c2345 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, KENNETH F YONTZ, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 301
#90261c2346 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c2347 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c2348 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c2349 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c2350 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 1,638 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,348,635.

-30- 358
#90261c2351 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,526,351.

-30- 390
#90261c2353 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90261c2354 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c2355 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c2356 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90261c2357 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c2358 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c2359 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c2361 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90261c2362 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90261c2363 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c2364 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c2365 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c2366 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c2367 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 367
#90261c2369 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c2370 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c2371 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c2372 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c2373 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c2374 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c2375 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c2377 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c2378 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c2379 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c2380 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c2381 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c2382 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 338
#90261c2383 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c2385 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.

(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c2386 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c2387 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c2388 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c2389 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c2390 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c2391 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.

(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c2393 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c2394 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c2395 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c2396 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c2397 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 331
#90261c2398 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90261c2399 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c2401 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90261c2402 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c2403 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c2404 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c2405 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c2406 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90261c2407 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90261c2409 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c2410 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c2411 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c2412 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 364
#90261c2413 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HARRIET BENSON, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $43.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,005.

-30- 286
#90261c2414 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PIETER P BONSEN, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $44.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,981.

-30- 292
#90261c2415 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GARY V FULSCHER, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $46.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,155.

-30- 292
#90261c2417 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JANE E SHAW, PRES. OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 37,978 SHARES AT $45.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 292
#90261c2418 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JANE E SHAW, PRES. OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $44.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,106.

-30- 287
#90261c2419 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c2420 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c2421 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c2422 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c2423 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c2425 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DARNELL MARTIN, VP OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 1,155 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,638.

-30- 311
#90261c2426 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WALTER H ALFORD, DIR. OF BARNETT BANKS INC. (TICKER: BBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 315
#90261c2427 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 1,143 SHARES AT $7.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c2428 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 1,143 SHARES AT $7.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 806,987.

-30- 324
#90261c2429 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HAROLD W KOSTEN, OFFICER OF BALDOR ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: BEZ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c2430 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HAROLD W KOSTEN, OFFICER OF BALDOR ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: BEZ), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,148.

-30- 324
#90261c2431 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GOULD INVESTORS LP, BEN. OWNER OF BFS BANKORP INC. (TICKER: BFSI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 273,973.

-30- 335
#90261c2433 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 282,750.

-30- 343
#90261c2434 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 286,000.

-30- 361
#90261c2435 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 7,279 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90261c2436 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM J ARMANINO, PRES. OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE), SOLD 233,000 SHARES AT $0.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,943,924.

-30- 354
#90261c2437 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c2438 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c2439 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,365,225.

-30- 327
#90261c2441 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90261c2442 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90261c2443 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 29,800 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 588,475.

-30- 328
#90261c2444 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292

#90261c2445 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c2446 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c2447 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c2449 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,959,100.

-30- 335
#90261c2450 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JAMES O WRIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF BADGER METER INC. (TICKER: BMI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.49 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 318
#90261c2451 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOR W KONWIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 87,214 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,285.

-30- 371
#90261c2452 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DONALD C UKKESTAD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 87,214 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,285.

-30- 377
#90261c2453 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOMAS E WINTER, DIR. OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 100,103 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 861,171.

-30- 327
#90261c2454 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c2455 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c2457 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c2458 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c2459 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c2460 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c2461 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c2462 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c2463 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 155,000 SHARES AT $2.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 489,000.

-30- 337
#90261c2465 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $11.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c2466 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c2467 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c2468 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 84,100.

-30- 336
#90261c2469 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 187 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c2470 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 937 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c2471 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c2473 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c2474 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c2475 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c2476 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c2477 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c2478 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c2479 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c2481 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 3,637 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c2482 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,650 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c2483 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 225 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c2484 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 698 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,406,384.

-30- 352

#90261c2485 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, MICHAEL MINIKES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c2486 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, UZI ZUCKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90261c2487 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, UZI ZUCKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 97,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90261c2489 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c2490 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 22,700 SHARES AT $5.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 161,419.

-30- 327
#90261c2491 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c2492 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c2493 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c2494 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,925 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c2495 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 575 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90261c2497 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c2498 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c2499 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c2500 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c2501 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,752,947.

-30- 362
#90261c2502 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JEFFREY J SHEARER, VP OF BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: BV), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 219,664.

-30- 338
#90261c2503 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATHAN SHAPIRO, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c2505 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT SHAPIRO, BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 29,400.

-30- 329
#90261c2506 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT SHAPIRO, BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 117,000.

-30- 333
#90261c2507 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, SHERWOOD J TARLOW, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c2508 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SHERWOOD J TARLOW, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB), SOLD 16,656 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,822.

-30- 330
#90261c2509 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROGER LEE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAESARS WORLD INC. (TICKER: CAW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,000.

-30- 327
#90261c2510 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c2511 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c2513 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALAN PARSOW, DIR. OF CAMPBELL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CCH), SOLD 10,850 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,536.

-30- 321
#90261c2514 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, GEORGE KERN, OFFICER OF CONTEL CELLULAR INC. (TICKER: CCXL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 316
#90261c2515 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $27.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c2516 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 393,137.

-30- 342
#90261c2517 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c2518 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c2519 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c2521 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c2522 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c2523 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,700 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c2524 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c2525 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,500.

-30- 317
#90261c2526 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHARLES T CONDY, SHAREHOLDER OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c2527 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHARLES T CONDY, SHAREHOLDER OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,483,373.

-30- 334
#90261c2529 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1989, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 4,332 SHARES AT $3.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,433,279.

-30- 328
#90261c2530 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 24, 1989, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,466 SHARES AT $3.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,759,401.

-30- 328
#90261c2531 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c2532 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c2533 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 28, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,040.

-30- 310
#90261c2534 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN E GRONINGER, DIR. OF CONSUMERS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,837.

-30- 331
#90261c2535 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN E GRONINGER, DIR. OF CONSUMERS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,495.

-30- 333
#90261c2537 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT C BURGESS, DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 305

#90261c2538 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JAMES W CLARK, OFFICER OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,250.

-30- 314
#90261c2539 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WILLIAM W GASTON, DIR. OF GOLDEN POULTRY CO. (TICKER: CHIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,357.

-30- 316
#90261c2540 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c2541 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c2542 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,550.

-30- 334
#90261c2543 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c2545 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ALLAN S HOLDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $12.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,940.

-30- 350
#90261c2546 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM R KUNTZ JR, VP OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90261c2547 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLIAM R KUNTZ JR, VP OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,835.

-30- 324
#90261c2548 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ARTHUR J NAGLE, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,000.

-30- 324
#90261c2549 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c2550 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90261c2551 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 167,102.

-30- 303
#90261c2553 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL L DOWLING, DIR. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 2,325 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c2554 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, GOLDEN OIL CO, BEN. OWNER OF COBB RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: COBB), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,006,603.

-30- 336
#90261c2555 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WESLEY J BAHR, DIR. OF COLLECTIVE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: COFD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 312
#90261c2556 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CHARLES J MOHR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c2557 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES J MOHR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,121.

-30- 339
#90261c2558 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ARTHUR O STERN, OFFICER OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,558.

-30- 322
#90261c2559 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLIAM R FROGGE III, VP OF COLORADO NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: COLC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,209.

-30- 341
#90261c2561 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES A STEINBACK, BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 12,600 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c2562 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES A STEINBACK, BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 556,800.

-30- 320
#90261c2563 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EVA D PEREZ, OFFICER OF CARE PLUS INC. (TICKER: CPLS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c2564 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EVA D PEREZ, OFFICER OF CARE PLUS INC. (TICKER: CPLS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c2565 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c2566 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c2567 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c2569 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c2570 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c2571 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,544,962.

-30- 315
#90261c2572 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GREGORY E PETSCH, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 18,600 SHARES AT $55.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90261c2573 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GREGORY E PETSCH, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 6,200 SHARES AT $55.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c2574 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 850 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90261c2575 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $52.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c2577 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER:

CPQ), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $52.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c2578 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 172 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90261c2579 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BENJAMIN M ROSEN, DIR. OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,244.

-30- 321
#90261c2580 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LOUART CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF CERTRON CORP. (TICKER: CRTN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c2581 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LOUART CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF CERTRON CORP. (TICKER: CRTN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,125,200.

-30- 315
#90261c2582 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, SANDRA A KNELL, OFFICER OF COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: CRV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c2583 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SANDRA A KNELL, OFFICER OF COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: CRV), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,490.

-30- 341
#90261c2585 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROBERT G SWEIFACH, DIR. OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,000.

-30- 318
#90261c2586 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, PAUL W CHRISTENSEN JR, DIR. OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,001.

-30- 330
#90261c2587 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, WILLIAM A FRIEDLANDER, DIR. OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,101.

-30- 328
#90261c2588 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HARVEY A BOOKSTEIN, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,000.

-30- 322
#90261c2589 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 67,700 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2590 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c2591 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c2593 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 105,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 396,900.

-30- 321
#90261c2594 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GERALD J MALYS, VP OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), SOLD 1,156 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 306
#90261c2595 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2596 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER:

CYN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c2597 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c2598 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2599 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2601 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,229.

-30- 318
#90261c2602 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1989, EDWARD R FUNK, CHAIRMAN OF DANNINGER MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: DANN), BOUGHT 10,430 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90261c2603 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c2604 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c2605 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,390,900.

-30- 339
#90261c2606 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, BRENTON S HALSEY, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c2607 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, BRENTON S HALSEY, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,932.

-30- 328
#90261c2609 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90261c2610 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c2611 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 314
#90261c2612 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL G KALMAN, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c2613 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, PAUL G KALMAN, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,610.

-30- 291
#90261c2614 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES A KNISTER, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c2615 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JAMES A KNISTER, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,290.

-30- 298

#90261c2617 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROGER R HEMMINGHAUS, CHAIRMAN OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c2618 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROGER R HEMMINGHAUS, CHAIRMAN OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,432.

-30- 333
#90261c2619 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, A W O'DONNELL, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,606.

-30- 337
#90261c2620 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J E PRATER, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,056.

-30- 331
#90261c2621 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HARRY D WRIGHT, VP OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,116.

-30- 315
#90261c2622 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP.

(TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $5.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c2623 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 14,600 SHARES AT $5.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c2625 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $5.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,448,716.

-30- 337
#90261c2626 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN D ZAHARSON, VP OF DOWNEY SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOC. (TICKER: DSL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,775.

-30- 349
#90261c2627 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c2628 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90261c2629 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,700.

-30- 296
#90261c2630 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GREGORY L SMITH, OFFICER OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90261c2631 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GREGORY L SMITH, OFFICER OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,812.

-30- 306
#90261c2633 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90261c2634 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c2635 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 4,800 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c2636 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 431,750.

-30- 317
#90261c2637 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c2638 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c2639 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c2641 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM E S CHRISTIANSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EQUIPMENT CO. OF AMERICA (TICKER: ECOA), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 402,708.

-30- 367
#90261c2642 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 999,999 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 308

#90261c2643 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90261c2644 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 567,000 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90261c2645 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90261c2646 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 340 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000,000.

-30- 341
#90261c2647 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 412,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,079,166.

-30- 329
#90261c2649 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 605,006 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c2650 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $3.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90261c2651 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,434,500.

-30- 329
#90261c2652 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CAROLYN J TOBIAS, VP OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS), SOLD 6,250 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c2653 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HARVIE M MERRILL, DIR. OF FIBREBOARD CORP. (TICKER: FBD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 309
#90261c2654 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,750.

-30- 321
#90261c2655 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c2657 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT G JONES, DIR. OF SANIFILL INC. (TICKER: FIL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 300
#90261c2658 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, BEN A VALOCCHI, DIR. OF FLAGSHIP FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FLGF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 325
#90261c2659 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 19, 1990, CLARK H MASTERS, VP OF FLOATING POINT SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FLP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,700.

-30- 324
#90261c2660 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GREGORY G BALDWIN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2661 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GREGORY G BALDWIN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,756.

-30- 343

#90261c2662 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, J BOYD BERT JR, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 845.

-30- 331
#90261c2663 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES A DAILEY, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,007.

-30- 343
#90261c2665 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,781.

-30- 304
#90261c2666 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, KATHERINE AUGUST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 234 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90261c2667 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, KATHERINE AUGUST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,500.

-30- 354
#90261c2668 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c2669 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c2670 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c2671 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 7,600 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,400.

-30- 336
#90261c2673 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THOMAS J DIETZ, VP OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c2674 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THOMAS J DIETZ, VP OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,233.

-30- 330
#90261c2675 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HOWARD H HAWORTH, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 18,900 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,469.

-30- 317
#90261c2676 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES R LEE, VP OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c2677 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, KENNETH G STANCLIFF, OFFICER OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,621.

-30- 324
#90261c2678 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ANITA L WALLGREN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CO. (TICKER: GACC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,005.

-30- 340
#90261c2679 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $53.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c2681 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $51.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90261c2682 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,114,100.

-30- 345
#90261c2683 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN J LOUIS JR, DIR. OF GANNETT CO. (TICKER: GCI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800,538.

-30- 299
#90261c2684 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, NEAL A DEGERSTROM, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: GDEX), BOUGHT 910,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,393,988.

-30- 340
#90261c2685 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, VICTOR POSNER, BEN. OWNER OF GUILFORD MILLS INC. (TICKER: GFD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 960,000.

-30- 327
#90261c2686 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FREDERICK D BERKELEY, CHAIRMAN OF GRAHAM CORP. (TICKER: GHM), SOLD 21,505 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 173,052.

-30- 318
#90261c2687 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC.

(TICKER: GII), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c2689 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC.
(TICKER: GII), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c2690 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC.
(TICKER: GII), SOLD 989 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c2691 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC.
(TICKER: GII), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c2692 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC.
(TICKER: GII), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c2693 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC.
(TICKER: GII), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS
TO 16,625.

-30- 331
#90261c2694 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT M FRIEDLAND, DIR. OF GALACTIC RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: GLC), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $3.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,000.

-30- 335
#90261c2695 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, A I DRAZIN, VP OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 300
#90261c2697 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRED HELLER, CHAIRMAN OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175,840.

-30- 317
#90261c2698 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ARMAND NOSSEN, VP OF GREENMAN BROTHERS INC. (TICKER: GMN), SOLD 1,709 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,250.

-30- 309
#90261c2699 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c2700 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c2701 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c2702 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 6,800 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,600.

-30- 317
#90261c2703 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RALPH T MCELVENNY JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GOLDEN OIL CO. (DEL) (TICKER: GOCO), BOUGHT 80,516 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 871,525.

-30- 378
#90261c2705 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 30,076 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 905,113.

-30- 370
#90261c2706 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EDWIN G GENERES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GTS CORP. (TICKER: GTSC), SOLD 26,400 SHARES AT $5.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,200.

-30- 321
#90261c2707 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RESEARCH INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF GREATER WASHINGTON INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: GWA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER

SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 136,200.

-30- 363
#90261c2708 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JACKIE R SKINNER, SHAREHOLDER OF HALLIBURTON CO. (TICKER: HAL), SOLD 1,003 SHARES AT $55.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,188.

-30- 323
#90261c2709 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,000.

-30- 332
#90261c2710 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, DAVID S LAWI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,000.

-30- 331
#90261c2711 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HERBERT M PEARLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), BOUGHT 120,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 120,000.

-30- 328
#90261c2713 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258

#90261c2714 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90261c2715 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,939.

-30- 299
#90261c2716 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2717 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2718 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c2719 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 317
#90261c2721 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c2722 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 411,500.

-30- 306
#90261c2723 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 31, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 28,000 SHARES AT $1.89 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 710,000.

-30- 304
#90261c2724 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 23, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 303
#90261c2725 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 54,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90261c2726 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 09, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90261c2727 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 17, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 522,750.

-30- 304
#90261c2729 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 14,750 SHARES AT $0.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 957,284.

-30- 304
#90261c2730 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 22, 1988, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c2731 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 23, 1988, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 704,750.

-30- 302
#90261c2732 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 138,000 SHARES AT $2.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,500.

-30- 304
#90261c2733 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 04, 1990, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 853,052.

-30- 302
#90261c2734 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 359,083 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 493,969.

-30- 304
#90261c2735 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 09, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c2737 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CHARLES E HARRIS, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c2738 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, CHARLES E HARRIS, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 539,724.

-30- 340
#90261c2739 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WILLIAM R POLK, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c2740 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM R POLK, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,000.

-30- 327
#90261c2741 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PHILIP M SKIDMORE, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,500.

-30- 333
#90261c2742 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PATRICK W HOPPER, DIR. OF HEALTH INSURANCE OF VERMONT, INC (TICKER: HIVT), BOUGHT 3,053 SHARES AT $7.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 134,686.

-30- 345
#90261c2743 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 16, 1990, JAY O MARGOLIES, PRES. OF HOLLAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOLL), BOUGHT 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,292,137.

-30- 329
#90261c2745 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LARRY D HORNBECK, CHAIRMAN OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HOSS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 257,710.

-30- 344
#90261c2746 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN L SILVA, OFFICER OF HOME PORT BANCORP INC. (TICKER: HPBC), SOLD 3,800 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c2747 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RICHARD W SCHULZE, VP OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,539.

-30- 323
#90261c2748 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN R TEITGEN, VP OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,300.

-30- 320
#90261c2749 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF HYDE ATHLETIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HYDE), BOUGHT 3,192 SHARES AT $3.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 310,500.

-30- 349
#90261c2750 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RICHARD L BARKHURST, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP. (TICKER: I), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 350
#90261c2751 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c2753 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c2754 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c2755 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c2756 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c2757 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90261c2758 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DALE W PHILLIPS, VP OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL CORP. (TICKER: ICRR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,649.

-30- 320
#90261c2759 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.

(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2761 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2762 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 115,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c2763 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2764 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2765 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2766 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.

(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c2767 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c2769 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2770 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2771 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2772 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2773 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.

(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2774 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2775 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2777 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2778 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2779 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c2780 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.

(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2781 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c2782 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ALAN H HUGGINS, VP OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,450 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c2783 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ALAN H HUGGINS, VP OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 550 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,007.

-30- 336
#90261c2785 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN C APPEL, VP OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,135.

-30- 337
#90261c2786 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, INTER-REGIONAL STK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 73,900 SHARES AT $6.61 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90261c2787 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PAUL E REINKEN, DIR. OF IFR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IFRS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,967.

-30- 306
#90261c2788 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF INFORMATION INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: IINT), BOUGHT 3,192 SHARES AT $11.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 369,583.

-30- 356
#90261c2789 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL J JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF II-VI INC. (TICKER: IIVI), BOUGHT 1,215 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 468,697.

-30- 305
#90261c2790 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL J JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF II-VI INC. (TICKER: IIVI), BOUGHT 1,215 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 344,338.

-30- 307
#90261c2791 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM B FAZAKERLY, PRES. OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 56,571 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 320,571.

-30- 322
#90261c2793 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, INTERVEN II LP, BEN. OWNER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 54,002 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 963,506.

-30- 327
#90261c2794 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, STEPHEN M MCLAUGHLIN, OFFICER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,743.

-30- 326
#90261c2795 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DON V INGRAM, BEN. OWNER OF IMCO RECYCLING INC. (TICKER: IMRI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800,571.

-30- 328
#90261c2796 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DON V INGRAM, BEN. OWNER OF IMCO RECYCLING INC. (TICKER: IMRI), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 363,306.

-30- 328
#90261c2797 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT T BUEHL, DIR. OF INDIANA BANCSHARES INC (TICKER: INBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,934.

-30- 337
#90261c2798 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, PETER BALJET, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY CORP. (TICKER: INT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 845.

-30- 313
#90261c2799 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c2801 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 26, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 9,600 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90261c2802 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c2803 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1989, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), BOUGHT 1,020 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,640.

-30- 316
#90261c2804 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 3,900 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c2805 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90261c2806 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,040.

-30- 314
#90261c2807 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $32.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c2809 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 161,517.

-30- 334
#90261c2810 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DEREK LIDOW, DIV. OFFICER OF INTERNATIONAL RECTIFIER CORP. (TICKER: IRF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 252,185.

-30- 337
#90261c2811 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PHILLIP B ROONEY, DIR. OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c2812 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PHILLIP B ROONEY, DIR. OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $45.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 326
#90261c2813 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ALAN DWIGHT BROWNING, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 349
#90261c2814 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JEFFERIES GROUP INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), SOLD 1,364 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90261c2815 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c2817 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c2818 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF KANEB SERVICES INC. (TICKER: KAB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 295
#90261c2819 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF KANEB SERVICES INC. (TICKER: KAB),

BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,000.

-30- 295
#90261c2820 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GEORGE A PETERKIN JR, PRES. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c2821 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GEORGE A PETERKIN JR, PRES. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 552,910.

-30- 308
#90261c2822 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN H VRZALIK SR, VP OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c2823 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN H VRZALIK SR, VP OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI), SOLD 10,500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,404.

-30- 321
#90261c2825 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,008 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c2826 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c2827 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c2828 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90261c2829 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,302.

-30- 328
#90261c2830 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c2831 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90261c2833 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 05, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90261c2834 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90261c2835 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,220.

-30- 331
#90261c2836 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MARC S HERMELIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF K-V PHARMACEUTICAL CO. (TICKER: KV), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,060.

-30- 346
#90261c2837 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES B STUZIN, CHAIRMAN OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c2838 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES B STUZIN, CHAIRMAN OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,676 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 644,070.

-30- 344
#90261c2839 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, RUTH E STUZIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,676 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 711,208.

-30- 382
#90261c2841 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, GENERAL ELECTRIC CO, BEN. OWNER OF LODGISTIX INC. (TICKER: LDGX), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c2842 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 26, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c2843 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c2844 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,400.

-30- 304
#90261c2845 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HUGH M PETERS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 5,333 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

72,833.

-30- 322
#90261c2846 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOYCE A RIZZO, DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 5,333 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,333.

-30- 295
#90261c2847 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT M RUBIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 26,666 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90261c2849 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2850 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2851 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2852 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD

CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2853 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2854 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2855 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90261c2857 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2858 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2859 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD

CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2860 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2861 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,200 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2862 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c2863 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2865 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 463 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c2866 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA

GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 4,499 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90261c2867 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA
GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 6,551 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90261c2868 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA
GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 3,924 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90261c2869 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA
GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 6,272 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90261c2870 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA
GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 144 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90261c2871 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) &
CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $81.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90261c2873 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) &

CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $74.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,511,493.

-30- 352
#90261c2874 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c2875 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c2876 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c2877 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c2878 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90261c2879 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90261c2881 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32.

-30- 352
#90261c2882 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90261c2883 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 13,600 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90261c2884 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90261c2885 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $5.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90261c2886 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90261c2887 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 22,500 SHARES AT $4.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90261c2889 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $4.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90261c2890 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90261c2891 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90261c2892 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,786,300.

-30- 373
#90261c2893 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 26, 1989, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $25.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c2894 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1989, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 225 SHARES AT $25.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c2895 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 22, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90261c2897 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $38.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c2898 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $15.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90261c2899 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 27,300 SHARES AT $15.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90261c2900 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 90,000 SHARES AT $15.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90261c2901 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90261c2902 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,890,500.

-30- 375
#90261c2903 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ALAN D NOLET, OFFICER OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90261c2905 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAN JOHANNESSEN, VP OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 332
#90261c2906 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DAVID M MOSS, BEN. OWNER OF CATALINA LIGHTING INC. (TICKER: LTG), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 826,582.

-30- 330
#90261c2907 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c2908 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c2909 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 45,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c2910 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c2911 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c2913 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c2914 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $3.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 541,180.

-30- 340
#90261c2915 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES E MURCOTT, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 413,470.

-30- 333
#90261c2916 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 12, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90261c2917 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 16, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90261c2918 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 24, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c2919 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT

1,300 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90261c2921 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GARY R SMITH, VP OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 1,337 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90261c2922 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOSEPH L GUARRIELLO, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90261c2923 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOSEPH L GUARRIELLO, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,388.

-30- 344
#90261c2924 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90261c2925 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 355,840.

-30- 333
#90261c2926 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c2927 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN CAMPBELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 8,691 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 508,446.

-30- 323
#90261c2929 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD S HICKOK, DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,564.

-30- 301
#90261c2930 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DEAN R MCKAY, DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,168.

-30- 296
#90261c2931 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DAVID M STONER, VP OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 1,521 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 141,967.

-30- 295
#90261c2932 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DONALD P HORWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c2933 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RICHARD J LEACH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,971.

-30- 337
#90261c2934 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 378,555 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90261c2935 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ANTHONY C DAMORE, DIR. OF MEDICORE INC. (TICKER: MDK), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,990.

-30- 303
#90261c2937 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EARL E BAKKEN, DIR. OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT), SOLD 13,500 SHARES AT $76.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90261c2938 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, EARL E BAKKEN, DIR. OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $77.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 444,106.

-30- 302
#90261c2939 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LIONEL I PINCUS, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 193,965 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,586,508.

-30- 320
#90261c2940 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN L VOGELSTEIN, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 193,965 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,586,508.

-30- 326
#90261c2941 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WARBURG PINCUS CAP CO LP, BEN. OWNER OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 161,637 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,322,090.

-30- 351
#90261c2942 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WARBURG PINCUS CAP PARTNR LP, BEN. OWNER OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 32,328 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,264,418.

-30- 358
#90261c2943 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, EMIL J KOE, DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,080.

-30- 313
#90261c2945 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, HAROLD G SPRIGGS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,533.

-30- 349
#90261c2946 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, STEPHEN M DEIXLER, CHAIRMAN OF MICROFRAME INC. (TICKER: MIFI), BOUGHT 450,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,187,500.

-30- 326
#90261c2947 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, CHESTER J SILVESTRI, DIV. OFFICER OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,249.

-30- 345
#90261c2948 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DONALD RATAJCZAK, OFFICER OF MORGAN KEEGAN INC. (TICKER: MOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,850.

-30- 319
#90261c2949 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT B SEIDEL, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,916.

-30- 321
#90261c2950 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TERRY L TROUPE, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,088.

-30- 321
#90261c2951 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ALBERT W MERCK, DIR. OF MERCK & CO. (TICKER: MRK), SOLD

1,500 SHARES AT $87.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 143,380.

-30- 297
#90261c2953 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RONALD C DEMEO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARIETTA CORP. (TICKER: MRTA), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 329
#90261c2954 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, SAMARK ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF MARITEK CORP. (TICKER: MRTK), SOLD 166,667 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 169,667.

-30- 327
#90261c2955 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GARY HILLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c2956 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GARY HILLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,349,960.

-30- 331
#90261c2957 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SCOTTY B PATRICK, DIR. OF MELAMINE CHEMICALS INC. (TICKER: MTWO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 326

#90261c2958 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES R GLYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c2959 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES R GLYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,117.

-30- 321
#90261c2961 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, KARL S HAY, DIR. OF MYERS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MYE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90261c2962 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, COMMON INVESTMENT FUND, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBM), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90261c2963 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, COMMON INVESTMENT FUND, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBM), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,213.

-30- 355
#90261c2964 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c2965 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c2966 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,537.

-30- 340
#90261c2967 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DON W SANDS, DIR. OF NATIONAL DATA CORP. (TICKER: NDTA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90261c2969 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LESTER J LLOYD, SHAREHOLDER OF NELLCOR INC. (TICKER: NELL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,516.

-30- 314
#90261c2970 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GEORGE E COMSTOCK, VP OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c2971 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GEORGE E COMSTOCK, VP OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER:

NETG), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 122,000.

-30- 322
#90261c2972 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c2973 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c2974 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c2975 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c2977 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CONCEPT COMMUNICATIONS INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2978 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JONATHAN S PARK, DIR. OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90261c2979 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT M GARDINER, DIR. OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90261c2980 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT M GARDINER, DIR. OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 309
#90261c2981 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD A HELLER, OFFICER OF NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: NSCO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90261c2982 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RICHARD A HELLER, OFFICER OF NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: NSCO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90261c2983 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES H BUTLER, DIR. OF NOVA CORP. OF ALBERTA (TICKER: NVA), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,000.

-30- 318
#90261c2985 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c2986 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c2987 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 113,789.

-30- 338
#90261c2988 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $13.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c2989 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c2990 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90261c2991 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c2993 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $14.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c2994 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,334,200.

-30- 340
#90261c2995 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 55,000 SHARES AT $12.51 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2996 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 25,500 SHARES AT $12.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c2997 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 29,500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,213,778.

-30- 363
#90261c2998 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT C ERNEST, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c2999 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT C ERNEST, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,600.

-30- 317
#90261c3001 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 831,685.

-30- 326
#90261c3002 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA TESS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $6.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c3003 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA TESS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 818,285.

-30- 340
#90261c3004 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $35.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90261c3005 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 20,400 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90261c3006 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 6,503 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,243,776.

-30- 356
#90261c3007 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RICHARD HOULIHAN, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 331
#90261c3009 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90261c3010 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 325

#90261c3011 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ROSEMARY TOMICH, DIR. OF OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: OXY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 326
#90261c3012 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARTHUR J SIMPSON JR, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 1,538,462 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c3013 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARTHUR J SIMPSON JR, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 2,925,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,657,692.

-30- 339
#90261c3014 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SOUTHMARK CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 1,538,462 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90261c3015 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SOUTHMARK CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 2,925,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,657,692.

-30- 330
#90261c3017 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT K BURGESS, PRES. OF PHM CORP. (TICKER: PHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 296
#90261c3018 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, LEWIS B MERRIFIELD III, PRES. OF PIC 'N SAVE CORP. (TICKER: PICN), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 271,920.

-30- 329
#90261c3019 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FREDRIC M ROSEMORE, CHAIRMAN OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 559,183.

-30- 330
#90261c3020 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DARYL L SWANSTROM, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PENN ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING CORP. (TICKER: PNN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,747.

-30- 391
#90261c3021 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 13,875 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c3022 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,500 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c3023 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,550 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c3025 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 33,000 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c3026 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90261c3027 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,199,205.

-30- 336
#90261c3028 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c3029 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c3030 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c3031 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c3033 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c3034 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 24,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c3035 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c3036 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c3037 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c3038 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90261c3039 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,000.

-30- 328
#90261c3041 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c3042 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c3043 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 306

#90261c3044 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c3045 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c3046 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 24,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90261c3047 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c3049 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c3050 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 306

#90261c3051 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,206,050.

-30- 347
#90261c3052 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BCE INC, BEN. OWNER OF QUEBECOR INC. (TICKER: PQB), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $10.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,038,500.

-30- 305
#90261c3053 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c3054 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c3055 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c3057 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF PUBCO CORP. (TICKER: PUBO), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $7.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,938.

-30- 304
#90261c3058 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID B KINNEY, DIR. OF RADVA CORP. (TICKER: RDVA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,000.

-30- 299
#90261c3059 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 349 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c3060 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,588 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c3061 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 8,443 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c3062 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,835 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c3063 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,589 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c3065 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 6,344 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c3066 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 11,672 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90261c3067 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 2,538 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c3068 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 6,343 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,487,593.

-30- 354
#90261c3069 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $12.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c3070 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $12.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c3071 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c3073 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c3074 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $11.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90261c3075 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c3076 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90261c3077 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, E C GWALTNEY, CHAIRMAN OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 777,080.

-30- 312
#90261c3078 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THOMAS H POTTS, PRES. OF RAC MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CORP. (TICKER: RMR), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 176,692.

-30- 337
#90261c3079 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROCKWELL INTL CORP ESP, BEN. OWNER OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), BOUGHT 393,428 SHARES AT $24.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90261c3081 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, L KIRKE MOORE, DIR. OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 21,400 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c3082 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, L KIRKE MOORE, DIR. OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,400.

-30- 334
#90261c3083 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID K HUNT, VP OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,680.

-30- 305
#90261c3084 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, HAYS T WATKINS, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,951.

-30- 316
#90261c3085 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c3086 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c3087 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 8,300 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c3089 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c3090 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c3091 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c3092 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90261c3093 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90261c3094 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90261c3095 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 64,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 449,057.

-30- 339
#90261c3097 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338

#90261c3098 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90261c3099 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90261c3100 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90261c3101 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90261c3102 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TURNER BYRON, VP OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SEC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90261c3103 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, TURNER BYRON, VP OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER:

SEC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,185.

-30- 320
#90261c3105 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c3106 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c3107 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c3108 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c3109 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90261c3110 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90261c3111 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,383,280.

-30- 361
#90261c3113 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c3114 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c3115 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c3116 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c3117 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c3118 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c3119 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c3121 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c3122 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c3123 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c3124 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c3125 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c3126 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c3127 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90261c3129 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c3130 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c3131 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, CHARLES W SCHWEIZER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,926.

-30- 351
#90261c3132 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, BAUPOST LTD PARTNERSHIP 83, BEN. OWNER OF SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC. (TICKER: SFE), BOUGHT 9,200 SHARES AT $10.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 529,400.

-30- 365
#90261c3133 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CHARLES W CORBITT, DIR. OF SFFED CORP. (TICKER: SFFD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,000.

-30- 301
#90261c3134 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF SILICON GRAPHICS INC. (TICKER: SGI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $25.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 329
#90261c3135 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, ROBERT N GOLDMAN, DIR. OF SAGE SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: SGSI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90261c3137 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90261c3138 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 157,280.

-30- 298
#90261c3139 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DOCTOR R CRANTS, DIR. OF SAHARA RESORTS (TICKER: SHRE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,000.

-30- 308
#90261c3140 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE B CLAIRMONT, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90261c3141 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE B CLAIRMONT, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90261c3142 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CLAIRMONT GEORGE B TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90261c3143 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CLAIRMONT GEORGE B TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90261c3145 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c3146 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c3147 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c3148 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90261c3149 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 96,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c3150 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90261c3151 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90261c3153 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 319
#90261c3154 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c3155 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,250 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c3156 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c3157 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c3158 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 6,800 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c3159 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c3161 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c3162 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c3163 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c3164 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c3165 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c3166 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 5,300 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c3167 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c3169 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c3170 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 25,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c3171 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c3172 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 13,900 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c3173 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 42,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c3174 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c3175 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c3177 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c3178 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90261c3179 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c3180 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 34,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c3181 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 42,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90261c3182 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 363,900.

-30- 325
#90261c3183 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,400.

-30- 341
#90261c3185 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC.

(TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c3186 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC.
(TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c3187 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC.
(TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90261c3188 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC.
(TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 96,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c3189 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC.
(TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90261c3190 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC.
(TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90261c3191 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC.

(TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 206,400.

-30- 346
#90261c3193 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c3194 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c3195 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c3196 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c3197 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 96,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c3198 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90261c3199 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90261c3201 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK D KNOX, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SIXX HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: SIXX), BOUGHT 23,000 SHARES AT $0.57 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,263.

-30- 358
#90261c3202 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, BURTON E ERICSON, VP OF SAFETY-KLEEN CORP. (TICKER: SK), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $39.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,251.

-30- 306
#90261c3203 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDWARD BLACKWELL DAVID, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SCORE EXPL CORP (TICKER: SKOR), BOUGHT 787,369 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,696,669.

-30- 383
#90261c3204 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAY L FEDERMAN, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90261c3205 09/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAY L FEDERMAN, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 147,803.

-30- 345
#90261c3206 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOMAS E BLUME, OFFICER OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,709.

-30- 302
#90261c3207 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90261c3209 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,750.

-30- 294
#90261c3210 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RICHARD A STOLFA, VP OF SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SMLS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $33.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,860.

-30- 324
#90261c3211 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOSEPH J MCDOWELL, CHAIRMAN OF SOLITEC INC. (TICKER: SOLI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 314
#90261c3212 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOSEPH M RICHTER, OFFICER OF THE SOMERSET GROUP INC. (TICKER: SOMR), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $7.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,000.

-30- 335
#90261c3213 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FITZLEE H COKER, DIR. OF SONOCO PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: SONO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 561,304.

-30- 308
#90261c3214 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES G BOSWELL II, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 327
#90261c3215 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DAVID J TAYLOR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUN SPORTSWEAR INC. (TICKER: SSPW), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90261c3217 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, CHRISTOPHER P VELTMANN, OFFICER OF STANDARD OIL & EXPL OF DELAWARE INC. (TICKER: STDO), SOLD 46,550 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90261c3218 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, CHRISTOPHER P VELTMANN, OFFICER OF STANDARD OIL & EXPL OF DELAWARE INC. (TICKER: STDO), BOUGHT 58,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,875.

-30- 367
#90261c3219 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 02, 1989, INVSTMNT SVNGS PLN STANHOME, BEN. OWNER OF STANHOME INC. (TICKER: STH), BOUGHT 142 SHARES AT $19.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c3220 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 01, 1989, INVSTMNT SVNGS PLN STANHOME, BEN. OWNER OF STANHOME INC. (TICKER: STH), BOUGHT 413 SHARES AT $26.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90261c3221 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 04, 1990, STEPHEN L WILSON, VP OF ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: STJM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 317
#90261c3222 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MICHAEL E ROSEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHOP TELEVISION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: STNP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.93 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,778,350.

-30- 346
#90261c3223 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 303

#90261c3225 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 22,500 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c3226 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90261c3227 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 30,600 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,183,400.

-30- 342
#90261c3228 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN VIDA, SHAREHOLDER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 45,150 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,071,652.

-30- 304
#90261c3229 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c3230 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c3231 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c3233 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90261c3234 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 545,375.

-30- 337
#90261c3235 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN F MOYNAHAN, OFFICER OF SYM-TEK SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SYMK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 327
#90261c3236 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, C PHILIP CHAPMAN, OFFICER OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,500.

-30- 316
#90261c3237 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, S THOMAS EMERSON, CHAIRMAN OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER:

SYNL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90261c3238 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, S THOMAS EMERSON, CHAIRMAN OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 244,000.

-30- 319
#90261c3239 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GEOFFREY W GATES, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,500.

-30- 302
#90261c3241 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HARWOOD SHEPARD, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 3,850 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 103,650.

-30- 302
#90261c3242 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT S WALLIN, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 157,260.

-30- 303
#90261c3243 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RUSSELL T STERN JR, DIR. OF SYNTRO CORP. (TICKER: SYNT), BOUGHT 68,650 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 298,650.

-30- 303
#90261c3244 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF TELEBIT CORP. (TICKER: TBIT), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90261c3245 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF TELEBIT CORP. (TICKER: TBIT), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 736,106.

-30- 313
#90261c3246 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DEAN A FOSSEY, DIR. OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,166.

-30- 311
#90261c3247 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROY M SVEE, DIR. OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 307
#90261c3249 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROGER C LUCAS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TECHNE CORP. (TICKER: TECH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 248,608.

-30- 323
#90261c3250 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ALFRED M GLEASON, DIR. OF TEKTRONIX INC. (TICKER: TEK), BOUGHT 1,050 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,650.

-30- 305

#90261c3251 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LARRY T MAREK, VP OF TELECOM CORP. (TICKER: TEL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 291
#90261c3252 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 31, 1989, GEORGE W CHAMILLARD, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,568.

-30- 304
#90261c3253 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RICHARD E DYCK, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,015.

-30- 294
#90261c3254 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90261c3255 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90261c3257 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 262

#90261c3258 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,022.

-30- 302
#90261c3259 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RICHARD LESSER, OFFICER OF TJX COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: TJX), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,633.

-30- 316
#90261c3260 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90261c3261 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c3262 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c3263 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c3265 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c3266 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c3267 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c3268 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c3269 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c3270 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90261c3271 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90261c3273 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, BARRY F WHARITY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF TRANSMATION INC. (TICKER: TRNS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 337
#90261c3274 09/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JAMES W QUEEN, OFFICER OF TESORO PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: TSO), SOLD 1,439 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,588.

-30- 321
#90261d0760 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT 18) - The People's Republic of Congo won a substantial rescheduling of part of its public debt from creditors grouped in the Club of Paris, the Club secretariat announced here on Tuesday.

Repayment of the rescheduled installments, the amount of which was not announced, will come over a 15-year period with a six-year grace period, the communique said.

At a meeting last Thursday, the representatives of the participating countries (West Germany, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Spain, United States, France,

Italy, United Kingdom and Switzerland) "noted with satisfaction the development by the government of an economic and financial program supported by a confirmation agreement from the International Monetary Fund", the secretariat said.

It added that, on a voluntary basis, each creditor country will also be able to carry out limited operations on converting debts into environmental protection projects, aid projects, or investments, or adopt other arrangements for converting debts into local currency.

The Congolese delegation to the talks was led by Finance Minister Edouard Gakosso.

Congo's foreign debt was estimated at around 4.8 billion dollars at the end of 1988 by the World Bank. It is classified as an intermediate-income country, with a per-capita income of 830 dollars a year.

-30- 1527
#90261d0990 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (SEPT 19) - The Gulf conflict led to an Arab controversy on the first day of the 45th session of the U.N. General Assembly.

Delegates from occupied Kuwait and Qatar took strong exception when representatives from the Palestine Liberation Organization (Plo), in welcoming remarks on behalf of Arab countries to acceptance of Liechtenstein into the world organization, aired Plo chairman Yassir Arafat's plan for resolving the conflict.

This plan, which links a solution to the Gulf crisis to other open issues in the region, including the Israeli-Arab conflict, is controversial in Arab countries and has been rejected by Kuwait.

Exile Kuwaiti Deputy U.N. Ambassador Mohammad Al-Sallal said the Arafat proposals ''do not represent anybody except those who submitted it.'' He said it runs counter to all resolutions of the Arab League and the U.N. Security Council.

In a similar vein, Qatar U.N. Ambassador Hassan Al-Nimah said the Plo initiative does not reflect the position of the Arab League. He expressed ''great displeasure'' at the Plo speech. The Plo, under the name of the state of Palestine, has observer status at the U.N.

It was learned Tuesday that the exiled emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber Al-Akhmad Al-Sabah, is to come to the General Assembly to make a speech September 27.

-30- 1511
#90261d1630 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SOFIA (SEPT. 19) - Seven hours in a queue to buy gasoline that has doubled in price -- that is the unenviable fate of Bulgarian drivers these days, while housewives stand in other lines in front of Sofia stores to try to come up with that vanishing breed known as consumer products.

The Bulgarian oil crisis was set off by a sharp reduction in deliveries of Soviet crude to East European countries, but it worsened dramatically following the Bulgarian government's decision to respect the international embargo

imposed on Iraq following its August invasion of Kuwait.

Before the Gulf crisis, Iraq was paying off a 1.3 billion dollar debt to Bulgaria with oil deliveries. But now, motorists here who manage to fill their tank after waiting some seven hours at the pumps are the envy of others who wait day and night at certain stations for the next fuel delivery.

Last Saturday, two roads leaving Sofia were blocked by angry drivers lining up to buy gasoline. They accused some other drivers moving along of having gotten gas on the black market.

Some Bulgarians mock fire risks by accumulating hundreds of liters of gasoline at home, either as a reserve for the winter, when the situation will be even tougher, or to resell on the black market. Enterprising traffickers offer gasoline to cars in transit for Turkey at the modest price of 3.20 dollars a liter, twice the official price at stations where gasoline can be bought for foreign currency.

Bulgarians, who were already hit by a doubling of gasoline prices in July, can get the precious substance on the black market at a price around 120 percent higher than the official level.

Ambulances, fire trucks, farm tractors and public transportation still circulate regularly, but their operation is expected to decrease in the winter.

An Energy Ministry official, queried by AFP, said the number of Sofia buses will be cut in half in the winter, while central heating will operate only when the temperature falls below freezing. He said the available heating oil stocks were only enough to maintain minimum operation of the energy system.

The official said the government could be forced to make temporary cuts in the production of the chemical and metallurgical industries, which consume large amounts of energy.

Coal and natural gas are unfindable, and electricity blackouts are expected to occur frequently as soon as fall begins. "The only important thing is how my family can get through the winter", say many Bulgarians.

The newspaper of the Socialist (formerly Communist) Party, Douma, has reproached the United Nations Security Council for having forgotten Bulgaria. It noted that the Council had called for financial assistance for Egypt, Jordan and Turkey due to those countries' losses stemming from application of the embargo, but not for Bulgaria.

-30- 3051
#90261d5430 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 18) - Japan's broadly defined money supply grew 11.9 per- cent

in August from a year earlier, but was down 0.3 percentage point from July's growth, the Bank of Japan said Tuesday.

Central bank officials said a slowdown in the growth pace of lending by banks and a drop in the domestic issuance of commercial paper pushed down the increase in the money supply.

The figures are based on M2, comprising cash in circulation plus time and ordinary deposits, plus certificates of deposit.

But deposits with unregulated interest rates remained high, showing 62.2 per cent growth from a year ago, under the current trend of surging interest rates, the officials said.

-30- 851

#90261d5560 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 18) - Japan's policy of banning unskilled foreign workers will remain unchanged, government officials said.

Government ministers in a meeting to discuss foreign workers confirmed that Japan could not accept unskilled workers from foreign countries as it might exert a major negative impact on the Japanese labor market.

According to the justice ministry, there are an estimated 100,000 illegal unskilled laborers currently working in Japan, which is suffering an acute shortage of skilled workers.

At the meeting the ministers agreed that the government should consider the possibility of allowing in more foreign trainees in Japan, officials said.

-30- 856

#90261d5960 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 18) - China is to invest one billion yuan (212 million U.S. dollars) in 38 energy projects, China Daily said Tuesday.

The program covered one coal-electricity complex and 37 coal mines which would lift annual coal production by almost 54 million tons and electricity output by one million kilowatts, the official English-language daily said, quoting unnamed sources.

The State Treasury would fund 95 percent of the total investment and the rest would come from local sources, the newspaper said.

It quoted one official as saying no overseas funds were involved because low coal prices had dimmed profit prospects and most foreign firms were reluctant to invest in China's coal projects.

China produced a record 1.04 billion tons of coal last year.

-30- 946

#90261d5970 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 18) - Share prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange took a dive Tuesday, losing almost two percent of their value amid rising interest rates linked to higher oil prices, traders said.

Following Monday's 2.1 percent tumble, the Nikkei Stock Average shed nearly four percent in the morning session, but clawed its way back in the afternoon to close with a 480.78 point loss -- 1.97 percent -- at 23,884.82 yen in thin trading.

The yen's weakness undercut share prices, but the publication of figures showing the growth of money supply slowed in August to an 11.9 percent annual rate from 12.3 percent in July and rumors authorities were intervening to prop up bond prices helped cut losses, traders said.

The yen slipped to end the session at 137.68 to the dollar from Monday's close of 137.00 yen.

Above all, it was the hike in Japanese interest rates to their highest levels since 1982, boosted by higher oil prices, which sent the market into a tailspin.

The benchmark 10-year government bond traded with a yield as high as 8.65 percent before finally closing, slightly off, at 8.55 percent.

Oil prices in Singapore, meanwhile, approached 34 dollars a barrel.

The decision Monday by Japanese oil companies to pass along oil increases to consumers at the pump for the first time since the Gulf crisis broke was another sign that inflation was threatening to pick up.

Also adding to the market's malaise, some Japanese financial establishments sold shares as they prepared to close their books for mid-year accounting by September 30.

"In 18 years in this market, it's the first time I have seen participhave on the Japanese economy.

But domestic factors such as upward pressure on interest rates stemming from spiraling wages also contributed to market fears.

Faced with such a volatile environment, he said, it was highly unlikely the market would rally, but he did not rule out a short-term gain on technical

factors.

Persistent rumors meanwhile circulated on the trading floor that Japan had reached an accord with major brokerage firms to hold the Nikkei at the 23,000 yen level.

-30- 2342

#90261d5980 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 18) - Greek Prime Minister Constantinos Mitsotakis has asked his Japanese counterpart Toshiki Kaifu for more Japanese investment in Greece, a daily newspaper said Tuesday.

Mr. Mitsotakis said in an interview published in The Japan Times that he had also told Mr. Kaifu that Greece could serve as a bridge between Japan and the European Economic Community (EEC).

"Geographically speaking Greece, an EEC member, is a bridge to the Middle East and the northern part of Africa," Mr. Mitsotakis told the daily newspaper.

Greece could also be a bridge between Japan and the Balkans and Eastern Europe he said, adding that Japanese investment would be particularly welcome in Greece's capital goods and transport sectors.

"Our main problem is combating inflation," Mr. Mitsotakis said. "We must reduce the participation of the state in our economy, contain the public sector and reduce the budget deficit."

Mr. Kaifu had asked Mr. Mitsotakis to improve Greece's economic climate to boost investment from overseas, a Japanese official said.

The official added that Mr. Mitsotakis had invited Mr. Kaifu to make an official visit to Greece.

The Greek prime minister was in Japan to support Athen's bid to host the 1996 Summer Olympics. The International Olympics Committee was due to rule on the 1996 site at a meeting Tuesday in Tokyo.

-30- 1549

#90261d6030 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

THE HAGUE (SEPT. 18) - The Dutch government is to donate another two million florins (1.1 million dollars) towards the repatriation of Asian refugees in Jordan, officials said here Tuesday.

The Netherlands has already given three million florins (1.5 million dollars) towards relief efforts for the Asian refugees from Iraq and Kuwait. The money has been used mainly for tents, food and medicines.

-30- 582
#90261d6050 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PERTH, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 18) - The Middle East crisis could cause a number of Western Australian mines to shut down, a member of the state parliament said Tuesday.

Richard Court, opposition energy spokesman, in a statement said the gold sector in particular was being hit by soaring fuel prices.

The iron ore industry was also being hit because it took one litre of fuel to mine one tonne of ore, he said.

"If crude oil increases to 40 dollars (33 U.S.) a barrel then many mines will be forced to close as fuel accounts for over 32 per cent of the cost of moving ore," Mr. Court said.

"Proposed new nickel projects could be shelved in view of the current oil crisis."

He said West Australia's mining industry accounted for nearly 60 percent of the state's overseas exports currently valued at 5.9 billion dollars (4.9 billion U.S.).

Among the big operators in West Australia are BHP Co. Ltd., CRA Ltd. and Western Mining Corp.

Among the minerals they mine are gold, nickel, iron ore, aluminia, diamonds, lead and zinc.

-30- 1219
#90261d6080 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Colombo (SEPT. 18) - Sri Lankan security forces raided two major hideouts of the Tamil rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (Ltte) in the east of the country and seized a large quantity of arms, ammunition and vehicles, military sources said Tuesday.

The sources said that in the attack which took place Monday, troops overran a rebel hideout in the eastern Trincomalee district, killing seven suspected Ltte cadres. Five soldiers were wounded.

In a separate operation in the eastern Ampara district, security forces raided a major camp of the Ltte after killing six rebels. The soldiers recovered sophisticated weapons, grenades, over 10,000 rounds of ammunition, and communication equipment, the sources said.

Eight vehicles, including an ambulance used by the erstwhile Indian Peace Keeping Force, were also seized.

The offensive against Tamil rebels in the northern capital Jaffna has further slowed down due to heavy resistance put up by the Ltte, the military sources admitted.

But military officials in Colombo claimed that over 190 soldiers and policemen in the Jaffna Fort army camp were evacuated on Monday after the troops last Thursday succeeded in breaking a three-month-old siege on the camp by the Tamil rebels.

Two security personnel were reported killed during the evacuation process, they said.

Late Sunday, over 30 suspected Tamil rebels were killed by sniper fire of the security forces around Jaffna Fort, a defence ministry said.

-30- 1680

#90261d6200 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 18) - Oil prices shot up to 37 U.S. dollars a barrel for October deliveries, fueled by the Gulf crisis and supply fears, dealers here said Tuesday.

They said that North Sea Brent blend, the key European grade, was up from 32.20 U.S. dollars quoted a day ago. For deliveries in November, Brent was going for 33.55.

Dealers said the rise was likely due to supply fears because of the labor situation and a pipeline problem in the North Sea. Reports of Soviet pipeline problems sent the price spurting Monday.

The latest rise was also attributed to comments made Tuesday at the Asia-Pacific Petroleum Conference here, where analysts predicted extremely tight supply for the fourth quarter of 1990 with prices jumping as high as 60 dollars.

The backdrop continued to be the crisis in the Gulf sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2 and its war of nerves with U.S.-led forces in Saudi Arabia.

"Basically people have just decided that it's going to be a little bit longer before the thing is settled," said one dealer, who did not want to be identified.

-30- 1263

#90261d6230 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (SEPT. 18) - Australia was pressuring the United States not to subsidise wheat sales to Australian customers, Trade Negotiations Minister Neal Blewett said Tuesday.

Mr. Blewett said in parliament that increased U.S. export subsidies on wheat was another example of Australia getting hurt in the European Economic Community-U.S. agricultural trade war.

"In a disturbing new development the U.S. Senate has also passed a Bill which, if enacted, would require the administration to target Export Enhancement Program (EEP) sales at the markets of countries which did not have acreage reduction programs, which would encompass Australia."

Under the EEP, U.S. wheat exports are subsidised.

"Our embassy in Washington has made urgent representation on this matter.

"We've urged the United States to abandon the EEP program and if that is not possible immediately to target its use to avoid damage to the markets of fair traders in wheat such as Australia.

"We've also been pressing hard for the abolition of agricultural export subsidies by all nations of the Uruguay round of multinational trade negotiations."

Export bonuses under the U.S. EEP last week reached a record 54.01 U.S. dollars a tonne on a 12,000 tonne sale to West Africa as the United States tried to boost wheat sales and counter similar moves by the EEC.

Australia's wheat farmers are already facing the lowest payments for wheat in 13 years due to the high Australian dollar, a bumper world crop, lower world prices, and the uncertainty of Middle East trade.

-30- 1740

#90261d6400 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 18) - The Philippines' budget deficit rose to 29 billion pesos (1.16 billion dollars) as of late August, above the 21.2 billion peso target for the entire calendar year, the government said Tuesday.

A budget department spokesman said that as of August 22, the 29 billion peso deficit had widely surpassed the 18 billion peso (720 million dollar) target for the eight month period.

But the spokesmen said the deficit could shrink when updated revenue figures come in later this month. As of August 15, government revenues amounted to 107.7 billion pesos (4.31 billion dollars.)

Government revenues for 1990 were originally targetted at 191 billion pesos (7.64 billion dollars) while the government was aiming to hold the budget deficit at 21.2 billion pesos (848 million dollars.)

The government had been hoping to reduce the deficit this year through new taxes, elimination of an oil subsidy fund and tighter expenditures.

But congressional resistance to new taxes, a killer earthquake that struck in July and the Gulf crisis derailed the main elements of the economic reform program.

For the first half of the calendar year, the 24 billion peso (960 million dollar) budget deficit outstripped the 16.59 billion peso (663.6 million dollar) target.

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#90261d6440 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 18P) - Britain's Public Sector Borrowing Requirement (PSBR), the shortfall between government income and its spending, was 800 million pounds in August, according to figures from the Treasury here Tuesday.

The figure was 100 million pounds above economists' expectations. It compares with a 700 million pound PSBR in August last year and a three billion pound Public Sector Debt Repayment (surplus) in July this year.

The cumulative PSBR for the financial year so far (April to August) is 3.8 billion pounds, compared with an 800 million pound surplus at the same stage last year.

The Treasury has targetted a seven billion pound surplus for the April 1990 to March 1991 financial year.

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#90261d6800 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (SEPT. 18) - A total of 42 people died after a snowstorm struck the eastern Indonesian province of Irian Jaya, news reports said Tuesday.

The Suara Pembaruan daily quoted Jayawijaya District Head Wenas as saying that the 42, including 23 infants, were from two isolated villages high in the Jaya Wijaya range in the Tiom sub-district.

The storm struck the mountain range on Sept 1 and 2, he said, adding that many had died from cold or from hunger after their sweet potato crops rotted because of the snow.

The Jaya Wijaya range has Indonesia's only snow-capped mountain, the Jayapeak.

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#90261d6900 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (SEPT. 18) - Police experts have added two senior West German government ministers to their growing list of possible targets of the Red Army Faction (RAF) terrorist organization, according to Stern magazine.

Finance Minister Theo Waigel and Justice Minister Hans Engelhard have been identified by police terrorism experts as possible RAF targets, along with Secretary of State for Economy Erich Riedl and Chamber of Commerce and Industry President Hans-Peter Stihl.

Two senior Deutsche Aerospace executives were also named as possible targets of terrorist attacks in the run-up to December 2 general elections, police told Stern.

The RAF is believed by police to have altered its ideological line of opposing "American imperialism" and the military-industrial complex to include advocates of the "Greater Germany" and the "Europe of 1992," Stern said.

West German media since the beginning of the month have reported a growing possible terrorist hit list, including Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Daimler-Benz president Edzard Reuter.

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#90261d7050 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FREETOWN (SEPT. 18) - U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs Herman Cohen left here Tuesday for Monrovia aboard a U.S. helicopter and is to return this evening, a U.S. spokesman said.

Informed sources said he will travel on from the international airport to other West African countries in his sub-regional tour.

Mr. Cohen arrived here late Monday at the start of the tour to discuss developments in Liberia's bloody civil war. Mr Cohen is to travel to Ivory Coast, Ghana, Burkina Faso, Nigeria and Guinea, a U.S. Embassy spokesman said Tuesday.

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#90261d7080 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 18) - About 360 French nationals are currently being held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait, including 100 in hiding in Kuwait, French foreign ministry spokesman Daniel Bernard said here Tuesday.

Until last week, the official count was about 400. Mr. Bernard did not explain the drop.

One informed source said some people holding double nationalities had managed to leave Iraq in recent days by concealing their French nationality. Many of these also were nationals of developing countries, he said.

Mr. Bernard said that the government was looking at the problem of French firms cutting the pay of employees stranded in Iraq, and was helping the families of these employees.

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#90261d7100 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAHORE, PAKISTAN (SEPT. 18) - Ousted Pakistani prime minister Benazir Bhutto Tuesday accused President Ghulam Ishaq Khan of abuse of power and demanded his resignation to pave the way for fair elections.

Ms. Bhutto told a gathering of lawyers that since he dismissed her elected government last month, the president had been acting as "judge, jury and prosecutor."

Witnesses described the meeting of the Lahore High Court Bar Association, the largest forum of lawyers in Pakistan with more than 1,400 members, as unprecedented in terms of its attendance and the enthusiastic response of its members.

Lawyers packed the auditorium and organizers had to install two closed-circuit television sets for the people gathered outside to hear Ms. Bhutto's emotional speech.

The prestigious association has traditionally played a leading role against authoritarian rule in Pakistan, ruled for nearly half of its history by military governments.

Ms. Bhutto lashed out at the accountability process launched by the president, who dissolved the national assembly on August 6 and sacked her 20-month government on charges of corruption and abuse of power.

The former prime minister and some of her ministers have already been indicted before special courts under laws that provide for disqualification from politics and prison sentences.

"It is political vendetta disguised as accountability," Ms. Bhutto said.

"They have no cogent evidence," she said, pointing out that a case against one of the accused former minister, Jehangir Bad, had already been dismissed by one of the special courts.

Her speech was repeatedly interrupted with shouts of "Benazir, innocent."

Ms. Bhutto is to attend here Wednesday a meeting of the recently formed Pakistan Democratic Alliance (PDA) which groups the PPP, the Tehrik Istiqlal headed by retired air force chief Asghar Khan and the Shiite Tehrik Nifaz-e-Fiqah-Jafria party.

The tripartite front has agreed to field candidates in the elections against the anti-Bhutto Islamic Democratic Alliance (IJI), the dominant force in the interim administration.

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#90261d7130 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (SEPT. 18) - Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Belonogov Tuesday termed Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait as a ''big strategic mistake'', the Iranian News Agency Irna reported.

He said after a meeeting with Iranian deputy foreign minister for Euro-American affairs, Mahmoud Vaezi, that Moscow under the current circomstances supported a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis and backed the U.S. economic boycott of Iraq.

The Soviet News Agency Tass quoted Belonogov as saying there was an urgent need to discuss the Gulf crisis with officials in Teheran because Iran has ''considerable influence'' in the region.

Vaezi reiterated Iran's stance and said his goverment supported a peaceful solution of the crisis and demands an Iraqi pullout from Kuwait as well as the withdrawal of U.S. troops from the Gulf, Irna reported.

He added that the Gulf's regional states were capable of playing a key role in retoring peace and security in the region, it said.

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#90261d7170 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT. 18) - Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister Manoushehr Mottaki left the Iraqi capital Tuesday after a three-day visit during which he held talks on the improving relations between the two former enemies.

Mr. Mottaki, quoted by the official Iraqi News Agency, described his talks with Iraq's Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz as positive and cordial.

The talks focused on the "normalization of relations between the two countries on the basis of good neighbourliness and mutual respect, the opening of embassies as well as the exchange of prisoners," he said.

Mr. Mottaki, the first Iranian official to visit Baghdad since the Iran-Iraq war that broke out in September 1980, arrived Sunday on what was a follow-up to Mr. Aziz's visit to the Iranian capital last September 8-9.

The Gulf war ended with a U.N.-brokered cease-fire in August 1988. President Saddam Hussein broke the subsequent deadlock in efforts to secure formal peace with his dramatic acceptance on September 15 of Iran's terms for a settlement.

The two sides have since freed 75,000 of the estimated 100,000 POWs captured in the eight-year conflict. But the daily exchanges were interrupted Saturday for unknown reasons, the International Committee of the Red Cross said.

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#90261d7180 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 18) - The movements of all 41 officials remaining at the Iraqi Embassy here have been restricted to within 40 kilometres (25 miles) of the city centre, the British Foreign Office announced Tuesday.

On Monday Britain announced the expulsion of 31 Iraqis, including eight members of the Iraqi Embassy's military mission.

The Foreign Office said the Iraqi Charge d'Affaires was summoned Tuesday and told of the restrictions on all remaining Iraqi diplomats at a "very businesslike" 10-minute meeting.

The European Economic Community announced Monday that all member countries would expel military personnel at Iraqi embassies, and limit the movements of all other Iraqi diplomats.

The move was in reprisal for the ransacking of several embassies in Kuwait by Iraqi troops last week.

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#90261d7310 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

THE HAGUE (SEPT. 18) - Queen Beatrix of the Netherlands opened parliament Tuesday with a speech from the throne condemning the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq as a flagrant violation of international law.

The Queen, putting unusual emphasis on foreign policy for a throne speech, said the Netherlands would do all it could to ensure that the embargo against Iraq was effective.

Promising that the Netherlands would not stand by while international law was ridiculed, the Queen said the Gulf Crisis had demonstrated that the United Nations now had the "means to assume its responsibilities".

In what observers called a veiled allusion to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, the Queen evoked the universal human rights declaration in an appeal to fight against "oppression, injustice and intolerance".

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#90261d7420 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Cologne (SEPT. 18) - West German exports to China dropped 15 percent to about 2 billion Deutschmarks (1.28 billion dollars) during the first half of 1990, the East Committee of the German Economy reported Tuesday.

The committee attributed the drop to China's having tightened imports in an attempt to improve its negative trade balance.

A further reason cited was the fact that the West German government does not guarantee credits for business with China, putting German companies in China at a disadvantage vis-a-vis those from other countries belonging to the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development.

The committee said the suspension of development assistance for new projects in June 1989 was also a hindrance to Sino-German economic relations.

The only bright spot was in electrotechnology and electronics, where German exports to China rose almost 7 percent to 268 million marks (172 million dollars).

China's exports to West Germany climbed 26 percent to 3.416 billion marks (2.19 billion dollars) during the same period, giving it a trade surplus with West Germany of 1.4 billion marks (899 million dollars).

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#90261d7510 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TUNIS (SEPT. 18) - Kuwait has accused the Iraqi authorities of driving Kuwaitis out of their own country and of mistreating the elderly as well the mentally and physically handicapped.

The Kuwaiti Embassy here said Tuesday it notified the Arab League of the "repression aimed at emptying the country of Kuwaitis and installing Iraqi families or other nationals of countries favourable to Iraq in their place."

Saudi officials have said some 6,000 Kuwaiti families fled since Saturday when the Iraqi military opened the Khafji border crossing from Kuwait into Saudi Arabia.

Iraqi border guards stripped the departing Kuwaitis of all their identification papers.

In a separate memorandum to the Arab League, which has its headquarters in the Tunisian capital, the Kuwaiti mission charged that 1,600 elderly and mentally and physically handicapped people had been evicted from special homes.

Twenty-eight of the handicapped have since died because of a lack of care, the embassy said.

The memorandum also said a trade union official, Mubarak Faleh al-Nout, had been killed "in public and in a barbarous manner," while several Kuwaitis had been arrested for refusing to cooperate with the occupied authorities.

A National Council member, Jaber al-Jaber, had been detained along with three former MPs, Khaled Sultan Issa, Abdel Karim al-Hojaidili and Mubarak al-Duwaila, the Kuwaiti mission charged.

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#90261d7640 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE (SEPT. 18) - Disappointed Australians, stunned by the news from Tokyo that Atlanta had won the 1996 Olympics, claimed American money swung the vote.

"If it was Greece you could understand it, but it wasn't. American money has done it," State of Victoria Tourism Minister Steve Crabb said here Tuesday after the Georgian capital beat Athens, Melbourne and three other candidates for the Games.

Victorian Sports Minister Neil Trezise claimed: "It's supposed to be a world games, not an American games -- the Yanks have done it again and it's about time they came south of the equator," he said.

"In the last 25 years America has had almost half the Olympic Games (summer and winter)."

A giant party to celebrate Melbourne winning fizzled out.

Melbourne beat Sydney for the right to bid for the games although Sydney might yet try for the Olympics in 2000.

Brisbane made an unsuccessful bid for the 1992 Games won by Barcelona.

The Olympic Games have only been held in the southern hemisphere once -- in Melbourne in 1956.

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#90261d7650 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 18) - North and South Korea failed Tuesday to bridge differences on the issue of membership at the United Nations, with Seoul calling the North's proposal for a single seat "unrealistic and unworkable."

Delegations from the two sides meeting at the border truce village of Panmunjom said they would meet again on the issue, but did not settle on a date, officials here said.

The meeting Tuesday was the result of an agreement forged here early this month during historic talks between the prime ministers of the North and South.

But officials here say Pyongyang's demand to discuss the issue may be a ruse aimed at thwarting Seoul's diplomatic effort to become a U.N. member separately.

Pyongyang has always opposed separate membership on grounds it would cement the 45-year division of the peninsula.

North Korean chief delegate Choi U-Jin proposed at the talks that the capitalist South and communist North file a joint application to join the world body together as "Korea" at the upcoming General Assembly this month.

He put forth a seven-point proposal which called on the two sides to alternate chief U.N. delegates and jointly exercise voting rights, abstaining whenever they differed on an issue, the officials here said.

The South Korean delegate to the talks, Lim Dong-Won, told the press afterwards that "this proposal is against international law and practices, unrealistic and unworkable."

"The proposal is so unrealistic that I don't expect we can reach a compromise proposal," he was quoted by the national Yonhap news agency as saying after the 1-12 hour talks.

"Our position is that, as a temporary measure, the two Koreas join at the same time separately until the country is unified," Mr. Lim said he told the North Korean delegates.

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#90261d7670 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 18) - Japan's long-term credit banks are expected to raise their long-term prime lending rate by up to half a percentage point from October 1, banking sources were quoted as saying Tuesday.

Reports said the six banks were planning to increase the rate, now standing at 8.5 percent, after yields on five-year debentures rose to 8.1 percent.

The prime rate, charged on preferred corporate loans of more than one year, is set 0.9 percentage points above the debenture coupon rate which was 7.6 per cent at the latest issue.

The rate has already been raised by 0.6 percentage points in August and 0.3 percentage points in July. At nine percent, it would be at its highest level since April 1980.

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#90261d7760 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 18) - Only two months away from the official enthronement of Japan's new emperor, 850 of his fellow citizens are taking a stand against the event, which they oppose as unconstitutional.

The group said in Osaka Monday through its lawyers that it planned to take the government to court over its decision to pay for the enthronement, which its opponents have said is religious in nature.

The 1947 Japanese constitution forbids spending public money on religious activities and 50 lawyers, mostly based in Osaka, have agreed to institute legal proceedings against the government.

Observers here said the proceedings were sure to create an uproar in Japan and were expected to inspire similar court actions in the next few weeks.

The enthronement has been estimated to cost more than eight billion yen (58 million dollars) and will take place in two stages.

The first is the "Sokui-no-rei" or coronation on November 12, involving 2,500 guests, including many foreign dignitaries, and the second is the two-day Shintoist ceremony of Daiosai, the great ceremony of offering, starting November 22.

After agonising over the problem last year, the government finally decided to pay for the whole enthronement with public funds, drawing strong reactions from Buddhists, Christians and many intellectuals.

The intellectuals, particularly, oppose the Daijosai ceremony in which the 57-year-old Emperor Akihito gives rice and other offerings before engaging in spiritual communion for a whole night with the sun goddess, Amaterasu Omikami, his legendary ancestor.

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#90261d7830 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (SEPT. 18) - Irish Foreign Minister Gerry Collins met the Iraqi ambassador to Britain and Ireland here Tuesday to express concern about three

Irishmen facing trial in Iraq for trying to flee the country, the foreign ministry said.

The ministry said in a statement that the three men were arrested early in September for trying to flee Iraq without the required exit visas.

The trial of the three is due to start in coming weeks. They would be the first Westerners to face court action for failing to obtain exit visas since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

The men have not been identified. But two of them have been named as employees of the Irish contracting company MF Kent, and the third as a representative of a German firm.

Foreign Minister Collins met Iraqi Ambassador Azmi Shafiq Al-Salihi at the Irish government's request, the ministry said. The two men would say nothing after their meeting, which lasted about 30 minutes.

Irish officials said Monday that the three Irishmen were moved from a "holding center" to a Baghdad jail last week, they were being allowed limited visitation, and the Irish Embassy in Baghdad had appointed lawyers for them.

A ministry source said Mr. Collins also used Tuesday's meeting to protest the recent violations by Iraqi troops of Western diplomatic missions in Kuwait.

Mr. Collins last week protested to the Iraqi authorities over the temporary detention of an Irish embassy official, Niall Holohan, describing it as "an act of aggression".

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#90261d7920 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 18) - Members of the Inter-African Coffee Organisation (IACO) called on Tuesday for a reintroduction of export quotas in view of the depressed world market.

They made their call at a meeting of the International Coffee Organisation (ICO) here but stressed they would not accept any reduction in their share of the market in any new international agreement.

Filomeno Ceita, Angola's representative and president of the IACO, said "African countries have lost 1.2 billion dollars in export income since export\ quotas were suspended in July 1989.

The suspension, which followed the collapse of negotiations aimed at establishing new quotas, led to a collapse of world coffee prices.

The United States had wanted higher quotas for the superior quality coffee

from Central American countries. But Brazil and African countries rejected this.

Mr. Ceita said African producers wanted a swift resumption of negotiations to put an end to the present situation.

While Africa has made it clear it wants to maintain its share of the market, Brazil, the world's biggest producer, has yet to make a formal statement.

Leaders of the U.S. and Brazilian delegations are not expected here until next week so no major developments are expected before then.

The ICO meeting opened here Monday and is expected to end on September 28.

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#90261d7970 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 18) - The PLO will mount a campaign to overthrow the leaders of Arab countries who sent troops to Saudi Arabia if Iraq comes under attack, a senior Palestinian official warned here Tuesday.

George Habash, head of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), said the Palestine Liberation Organization had its "finger on the trigger" although it was also working for an Arab solution to the Gulf crisis.

"In case of an attack on Iraq, the PLO will issue a clear and frank call for Arab masses to overthrow the regimes that have sent troops alongside the U.S. invasion forces in Saudi Arabia," he told a press conference.

"We have a finger on the trigger and we will pull it the moment Baghdad or any other part of Iraqi territory is attacked," the PFLP chief said.

Egypt, Syria and Morocco are the Arab countries which have sent troops to Saudi Arabia, where more than 100,000 U.S. soldiers have been deployed to deter a possible Iraqi attack after the August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Habash said the PLO was working on a joint political plan "for the nine Arab countries that have supported Iraq" to find a solution to the crisis. He gave no details.

Algeria, Jordan, Libya, Mauritania, the PLO, Sudan, Tunisia and Yemen -- apart from Iraq -- did not vote in favour of a resolution adopted at an Arab summit in Cairo on August 10 to sent troops to Saudi Arabia.

The PFLP's base in Syria, a long-standing rival of Iraq, will not be moved to Baghdad, Mr. Habash told reporters, although an office was also being opened in the Iraqi capital.

"I will continue to travel to Damascus until I am barred. Syria is Arab and I have the right to travel everywhere in the Arab world," said the head of the PFLP, one of the main groups in the PLO.

PLO leader Yasser Arafat arrived here Tuesday for a meeting with King Hussein, following talks in Baghdad with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Mr. Arafat, quoted by the Jordanian news agency Petra, said he was "optimistic over an Arab political solution" to the Gulf crisis, despite what he called the "dangerous" statements of the U.S. air force chief of staff.

General Mike Dugan was fired Monday for his blunt talk to reporters about contingency plans to target the Iraqi president and bomb Baghdad.

"These remarks prove that (for the Americans) it's not a case of defending an Arab country but of striking Baghdad and the Iraqi people, something which is extremely dangerous and which we should take into account," Mr. Arafat said.

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#90261d8030 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (SEPT. 18) - A large area of prized natural forest on the 4,566-metre (14,980 foot) Mount Meru in northern Tanzania is feared to have been destroyed by a huge fire, which has raged out of control for three days.

Arumeru district commissioner Ferdinand Mkude confirmed by telephone Tuesday that an estimated 250 hectares (625 acres) of forest may have been destroyed. But he said it was hard to establish the exact size of the area affected by the fire which broke out on the mountain slopes on Sunday morning.

A 500-plus squad of soldiers, para-military youth and volunteers has been mobilised to try to put out the fire, but the mountain's steep slopes make much of the area inaccessible to fire fighters.

According to Mr. Mkude, the fire is the biggest since 1962 on Mount Meru, Africa's third-highest peak after the Kilimanjaro (5,895 metres - 19,340 feet) and Mount Kenya (5,199 metres - 17,040 feet). Another fire destroyed 60 hectares (150 acres) of natural forest there in 1983.

A spokesman for Arusha regional commissioner's office, Goodluck ole Medei, said he had was having problems sending volunteers to the mountain as his office lacked adequate funds for transport, food and fire-fighting gear. But he said an urgent appeal had been sent to the prime minister's office in Dar es Salaam for help.

The fire, which is visible from Arusha town, some 20 kilometres (13 miles) away, is said to have started as a grass fire before spreading to the natural forests on the eastern and western slopes, fanned by strong winds.

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#90261d8150 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUCHAREST (SEPT. 18) - Twenty-five thousand workers at the Romanian Black Sea port of Constanta went on strike for a second consecutive day Tuesday to back their demands for a pay rise, trade union sources said.

Seamen's trade union leader Gheorghe Dorneanu said the workers were upset that they had never received a 40 percent pay increase awarded by the government in May to people working at night or doing dangerous jobs.

He said management had decided instead to spread the increases more thinly among all workers.

The Constanta trade union leading the strike on behalf of seamen, dockers and port labourers is also demanding better safety conditions.

Mr. Dorneanu said the action was aimed as well against "the banning of trade union activity and the disinformation" on trade union work dealt out through the media to the public.

He called on all Romanian vessels to respect the strike, even those in foreign ports.

He said a 7,800-ton Romanian freighter, the "Miercurea Ciuc", had been threatened with a 14 million dollar fine by port authorities in Rotterdam for stopping loading a consignment of copper Monday in sympathy with the strike.

Mr. Dorneanu said the Constanta strike was being felt at Romanian ports on the Danube River, such as Galati and Tulcea.

Last week, Constanta port authorities said that the strike was unjustified, and that the Romanian maritime firms Navrom, Petrodim and Romline had made losses of over one billion lei (50 million dollars) so far this year.

The authorities attributed this to the country's previous political system, and falling exports and productivity.

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#90261d8330 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (SEPT. 18) - Kuwait Airways will resume flights in two weeks, its managing director Ahmed Machari said Tuesday in Cairo, the airline's new base.

His announcement came a day after Iraqi Airways disclosed in Baghdad that it had taken over 10 Kuwait Airways planes that were in Kuwait when Iraq invaded on August 2.

Until the invasion, Kuwait Airways carried 1.8 million passengers a year in 42 countries and had profits of 50 million dollars a year for each of the past three years.

In an interview in his office here the head of Kuwait Airways, whose new slogan is "The Challenge and the change", said, "The first step is to show that the flag of KA is touching down in most continents."

"We have got traffic rights for all over the world, much more than we had before," he said. "The whole world is supporting our government through supporting KA."

He said Kuwait Airways had based in Cairo four Boeing 747s, three 727s and and one 767, along with 400 pilots and flight attendants.

He disputed Iraqi Airways' statement on Monday that it had seized 10 planes, saying they actually had taken 15.

In addition to eight Airbus 300-310 and two Boeing 767s, they also took five Gulfstreams, small corporate jets, that probably will be used by the government, he said.

He also challenged the assertion by the Iraqi Airways director, Nureddin Safi Hammadi, that Iraqi and Arab pilots will soon get the eight Airbuses operational.

"I doubt they will be able to run them; even if they are, nobody will accept them," Mr. Machari said, adding that Kuwait Airways had informed all relevant international organizations that the Airbuses "belong to us."

Right after the invasion, Kuwait Airways, like other Kuwaiti institutions, established itself in London.

Cairo, however, was preferred, not only for its proximity to the Gulf, but also because it has "more facilities for maintenance and more space for the planes at the airport."

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#90261d8370 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (SEPT. 18) - Zimbabwe's government won praise from economists Tuesday for pushing ahead with a long-awaited trade liberalisation programme in the face of the economic impact of the Gulf crisis.

The move to open up Zimbabwe's tightly-controlled economy includes giving foreign investors full repatriation rights on all dividends declared when they set up new projects.

The president of the Confederation of Zimbabwe Industries, John Deary, said the government's announcement Monday night that the programme would start on October 1 despite recent fuel price hikes was an indication of its commitment to liberalising the economy.

The move was also welcomed by the president of the Zimbabwe National Chamber of Commerce, Phil Jumbe, and by the local representative of the World Bank, Christiaan Poortman.

Finance Minister Bernard Chidzero had outlined a number of measures in line with his commitment earlier this year to end what he called 25 years of unproductive controls on the economy.

The measures include export and investment incentives and the cutting of bureacratic red tape for the import of eight commodities needed by Zimbabwean manufacturers.

Mr. Chidzero admitted that the moves had been tempered by the recent rise in oil prices because of the Gulf crisis, which he said was having a severe effect on the country's balance of payments.

He said a donor conference would be held soon to help finance a full trade liberalisation programme which would cost up to 2.4 billion U.S. dollars over the next four to five years.

Zimbabwe's economy has been tighly regulated since international economic sanctions were imposed on the country - then called Rhodesia - after a white minority government unilaterally declared independence from Britain in 1965 rather than accept black majority rule.

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#90261d8380 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Kuala Lumpur (SEPT. 18) - Deputy Prime Minister Ghafar Baba said Tuesday known gas resources in Malaysia totalled about 52 trillion cubic feet and were expected to last for 100 years.

Opening a gas symposium, Ghafar said that in line with the country's energy development concept to reduce dependence on oil, ''use of gas has increased from 8.5 per cent in the past to 27.8 per cent at present.''

He said at the same time dependence on oil dropped from 87 per cent to 63 per cent.

''We are actually promoting the use of natural gas with the implementation of a project called the Peninsular Gas Utilisation programme,'' Ghafar added.

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#90261d8470 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUENOS AIRES (SEPT. 18) - A planned sale of Argentine wheat to Iran has collapsed due to a dispute over prices, officials said.

Industry experts, however, suggested the deal was killed by opposition from the United States, which feared the grain would end up in Iraq.

National Grain Board Chairman Guillermo Moore de la Serna announced late Monday that negotiations on the sale, which began 10 days ago in Teheran, had broken down over the issue of price.

Argentina was asking 80 dollars per ton for its wheat, but Teheran's top offer was 70 dollars, a source familiar with the deal said.

Other well-placed sources said the breakdown in talks could have resulted from U.S. pressures to have Argentina temporarily suspend grain shipments to Iran because it had resumed diplomatic relations with Iraq.

U.S officials told the Wall Street Journal last week they feared grain shipments to Iran might be diverted to Iraq in violation of the international trade embargo against that country for its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Argentine industry officials had acknowledged that it was virtually impossible to control the ultimate destination of wheat or other grain shipments once they arrived in Iran.

Following the outbreak of the Gulf crisis, Argentina suspended all trade with Baghdad.

It was not known how much wheat Iran was seeking to purchase in the latest negotiations. Reports said Argentina exported 1.4 million tons of wheat to Iran during the first seven months of this year, versus 390,000 tons in the first six months of 1989.

Officials said that the loss of planned wheat sales to Iran and Irak would cost the already cash-strapped Argentine economy 500 million dollars.

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#90261d8550 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT 18) - Saudi Arabia's foreign minister, Prince Saud al-Faisal, Tuesday said here he would welcome Soviet troops in his country to defend it against a possible Iraqi attack.

''The decision whether a country would deploy troops in our country is a matter which concerns each country considering such a move. We would welcome a

Soviet participation,'' he said in an allusion to the deployment of U.S. and other forces in the kingdom.

Al-Faisal, who ended a two-day visit in the Soviet Union, earlier met with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and his counterpart Eduard Shevardnadze. The two countries decided Sunday to resume diplomatic relations, which were severed 52 years ago.

The Saudi minister described the normalisation of relations with Moscow as ''only a first step'' which ''will lead to stronger mutual understanding and cooperation between our two states''.

Saudi Arabia and the Soviet Union reiterated their demand for an Iraqi pullout from Kuwait, supported a political solution to the crisis and the implementation of the U.N. embargo against Iraq.

''But we all must realise that ... war has already begun. A country (Iraq) has invaded another country (Kuwait),'' al-Faisal said. He hinted that all foreign troops would pull out of his country after the end of the Gulf crisis.

The Saudi minister said he wished to preserve ''a strong and powerful Iraq'' which will be readmitted into the ''the family of Arab peoples''.

In Teheran, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Belonogov Tuesday termed Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait a ''big strategic mistake'', the Iranian News Agency Irna reported.

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#90261d8670 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (SEPT. 18) - More than 100 people were injured as road transport workers clashed with police on Tuesday, the first day of a nationwide strike which paralysed life in Bangladesh, trade union officials said.

They added that 70,000 public transport workers went on an indefinite strike protesting police harassment and increased government taxes.

Violence erupted in Dhaka and the southern port of Chittagong when striking bus drivers tried to stop state-owned railways from operating.

Pickets clashed with police in northern Bangladesh, which was cut off from the rest of the country by road. Thousands of people were stranded at bus stations as drivers walked away from their duties heeding a call for industrial action by the Bangladesh Transport Workers Union.

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#90261d8690 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (SEPT. 18) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

	cash		forward	
Copper	1,582.50	(1,779.50)	1,492.50	(1,562.50)
Lead	435.00	(439.00)	445.50	(445.50)
Zinc Sh	1,532.50	(1,579.00)	1,449.50	(1,481.50)
Tin	5,830.00	(5,820.00)	5,950.00	(5,935.00)
Aluminium	2,186.00	(2,205.00)	2,078.50	(2,093.00)

(last two in dollars per ton)

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#90261d8720 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (SEPT. 18) - Argentina is sending two warships to the Gulf to join the international naval blockade of Iraq, reliable sources at the presidential palace said Tuesday.

The decision, to be formally announced later Tuesday, followed a meeting Monday between President Carlos Menem and a minister in the ousted Kuwaiti regime who requested the Argentinian forces, the sources said.

Defense Ministry sources said the destroyer Almirante Brown and the missile-carrying corvette Spiro would join the international naval force deployed in the Gulf to enforce the economic blockade of Iraq ordered by the United Nations following Baghdad's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Menem "considers it appropriate" to send a "peace-keeping force" to join the international deployment in the Gulf, said an official after meeting early Tuesday with the president.

The Foreign Ministry said Foreign Minister Domingo Cavallo would make a statement at 9:00 p.m. (2400 GMT) concerning the request for an Argentine deployment to the Gulf by Kuwaiti Water and Electricity Minister Hamud Ruqba.

Mr. Cavallo, speaking after Monday's meeting with Mr. Ruqba, said Mr. Menem had also received a letter from Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak asking that Argentina participate in the Gulf effort.

"There was a verbal request not only from the Kuwaiti minister, but from several Arab governments as well as other countries which are contributing to the multinational force that is attempting to ensure the respect of the economic blockade of Iraq," he told reporters.

Mr. Cavallo and Defense Minister Humberto Romero were to inform the foreign relations and defense committees of Congress of the decision to deploy

Argentine forces later in the day, officials said.

Under Argentina's constitution, the president has the authority to dispatch military forces to participate in international peace-keeping missions, but he must get the approval of Congress if the forces are to engage in combat.

The Almirante Brown and Spiro are West German-designed ships that are equipped to operate in areas contaminated by radioactivity and chemical weapons.

They are currently stationed at Puerto Belgrano, Argentina's largest naval base located some 700 kilometers (420 miles) southwest of Buenos Aires, and would take about 30 days to reach the Gulf, naval experts said.

Defense Ministry sources said the ships were already prepared to leave for the Gulf.

The 126-meter (416-foot), 3,600 tonne Almirante Brown is armed with torpedos, Exocet MM-40 anti-ship missiles and Aspide anti-aircraft missiles and carries two helicopters.

The Spiro, 91 meters (300 feet) long and 1,700 tonnes, also carries Exocets, anti-aircraft missiles, torpedos and a helicopter. The two ships are considered among the most advanced in Argetina's Navy.

It would be the first deployment of Argentinian military forces outside the Western hemisphere.

In its only international deployment to date, Buenos Aires sent two destroyers to the Caribbean in 1962 to join a U.S.-imposed naval blockade of Cuba at the time of the Cuban missile crisis.

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#90261d8790 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN (SEPT. 18) - Syrian President Hafez al-Assad is to arrive here Saturday to start a three-day official visit at the invitation of President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, the Iranian news agency IRNA reported Tuesday.

It will be Mr. Assad's first visit to Iran since the country's Islamic Revolution in 1979.

An informed Iranian source on Monday said Iran and Syria could discuss the possible deployment of Iranian troops in Saudi Arabia, where Arab and Western forces are now stationed to help defend the kingdom against a possible attack by Iraq.

Iran and Syria have both condemned the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2. Iran in addition has spoken strongly against the burgeoning U.S. military

presence in Saudi Arabia and elsewhere in the Gulf.

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#90261d8800 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUDAPEST (SEPT. 18) - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher arrived here Tuesday from Prague for a three-day official visit to Hungary, the MTI news agency said.

Mr. Thatcher, who ended a visit to Czechoslovakia earlier, was met at the airport by Hungarian Foreign Minister Geza Jeszenszky.

She will meet later on Tuesday with Hungarian Prime Minister Jozsef Antall.

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#90261d8850 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (SEPT 18) - The Iraqi Red Crescent on Tuesday said it was prepared to receive food and medicine for foreign nationals.

It could be accepted either directly from charitable groups or through the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) or the League of Red Crescent Associations.

A spokesman for the Red Crescent, the equivalent of the Red Cross in Islamic countries, told the Iraqi News Agency that it was ready "to coordinate and collaborate" with international agencies "in order to ease the difficulties faced by foreigners in Iraq and to assure them supplies of food and medicine."

Iraq has been hit with sweeping United Nations trade sanctions because of its August 2 invasion of Kuwait, with Iraqi authorities warning that foreigners in the country could also suffer food shortages caused by the embargo.

"Depriving people of food and medicine is a flagrant violation of international law," the Red Crescent spokesman charged in an INA dispatch received here.

The United Nations Security Council last week approved a resolution calling for food and medicine to be transported and distrubuted to foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait by the ICRC, the United Nations or other organizations under their control.

Iraq rejected the resolution as "humiliating and unjust."

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#90261d8860 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUDAPEST (SEPT. 18) - A leader of the Hungarian opposition on Tuesday

lambasted the conservative government of Joszef Antall for further damaging an economy weakened by decades of communism, but Mr. Antall insisted that things were improving.

The bitter exchange was typical of the tone that is increasingly being heard in Hungary as the date approaches for local elections on September 30. These are seen as the first test of support for the new government since the April legislatives which brought the ouster of the communists.

Peter Toelgyessy, the leader of the Alliance of Free Democrats parliamentary group, charged that the Hungarian people had seen no improvement in their lives since last spring, when the first free elections in half a century propelled Mr. Antall to power.

He said inflation had increased, industrial production had decreased and cronyism was rife.

He accused the conservative government of presenting to parliament bills that had, for the most part, been prepared under the communist regime.

Mr. Antall called his views "unjust and unhelpful" and insisted that economic performance had improved, increasing the confidence of foreign investors.

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#90261d8940 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT 18) - The European Economic Community will next year have to pay out an extra 1.75 billion ECUs (2.33 billion dollars) to cover the costs of German unification and the Gulf crisis, reliable sources close to the European Commission said here Tuesday.

The commission, or executive arm of the EEC, will on Wednesday ask the 12 member nations to revise next year's budget provisions accordingly, the sources told Agence France-Presse.

About one billion European Currency Units (ECUs) should in 1991 enable what is now East Germany to benefit from "structural funds" under regional and social aid programmes following unification, the sources said.

Egypt, Jordan and Turkey, the three nations most economically hard-hit by the effects of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, should receive 750 million ECUs in balance of payments support.

EEC member states should individually match this sum from their own national budgets, to enable the three countries to respect the international embargo against Iraq, according to a commission proposal.

The EEC also plans to spend about one billion ECUs to support East German

agricultural production in 1991, but commission experts said it should not be necessary to change budget provisions in this respect.

Several member countries, including France, have contested the commission's view, citing massive imports of East German meat that have upset markets and forced Brussels to buy up stocks to sustain prices.

East Germany is likely to cost the EEC a total two billion ECUs a year over the next two years, but will give the community a supplementary annual income of about 1.5 million ECUs, the sources said.

The commission also plans to propose a budget increase for 1992 on a scale to be based on the anticipated economic fall-out from the Gulf crisis, they added.

The EEC has already revised its budget for last year and this, largely to provide aid for reform in East Europe.

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#90261d8960 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (SEPT. 18) - Turkey's Prime Minister Yildirim Akbulut will make an official visit to the Turkish Repbublic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) on October 1 and 2 to discuss bilateral cooperation and proposals to end passport requirements and allow free entry between Turkey and the TRNC, the Turkish news agency Anatolia said Tuesday.

The TRNC was unilaterally declared by Turkish Cypriots in 1983 and is only recognized by Ankara. The two sides are considering dropping all customs' requirements between Turkey and the TRNC.

Mr. Akbulut is also expected to discuss a cooperation agreement on security, as well as a proposal by Turkish-Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash to open the closed region of Varosha, in the south of the TRNC, for residential dwellings.

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#90261d9000 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) - President George Bush is backing a French call for an air embargo against Iraq, but experts warn it would entail greater risks than enforcing the naval and ground blockade already in place.

"I would be prepared to work with everybody to tie that additional knot in the sanctions," Mr. Bush said Monday after expressing support for the proposal French President Francois Mitterrand made Saturday.

Washington's support came as no surprise to observers, especially since Mr. Bush had been careful to stress the international nature of the U.S.-led military reaction against Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Even before France announced retaliatory measures against the storming by Iraqi soldiers of the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait City last week, Mr. Bush eagerly expressed his full support of any French moves.

Faced with the exorbitant cost of indefinitely maintaining tens of thousands of troops in the Gulf to counter further possible Iraqi aggression, the Bush administration has been actively seeking international support for any further effort at drawing the noose tighter around Iraq.

Secretary of State James Baker acknowledged to Congress on September 5 that air flights were getting through to Iraq in violation of the U.N.-mandated blockade, hinting at the possiblity of calling for an air embargo of that country.

The Security Council's five permanent members -- Britain, China, France, United States and Soviet Union -- began a closed meeting Monday to consider a French resolution condemning the Iraqi action against foreign embassies in Kuwait as well as the possibility of an air embargo.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said Monday the U.S. view was that the countries currently involved in the naval embargo on Iraq had the right to extend the measure to air traffic to and from that country.

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#90261d9010 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (SEPT. 18) - Two students were killed and three others wounded in a spate of campus violence across Bangladesh, police said here Tuesday.

They said a student belonging to the opposition Jatiyotabadi Chhatra Dal was gunned down Monday night in southern Chittagong city in apparent retaliation for the murder of another student supporting the rival Bangladesh Chhatra League.

Three others were injured in a gunbattle overnight on the Dhaka University campus, hospital doctors said.

Six students have died in the past week in clashes between the two student organisations supporting rival opposition leaders Sheikh Hasina Wazed and Begum Khaleda Zia.

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#90261d9150 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOGNE (SEPT. 18) - A franco-German arms concern, Euromissile, was alleged Tuesday to have supplied Iraq with the ground-to-air Roland missile system.

The West German television current affairs programme Monitor said the concern supplied Iraq with the missile system between 1982 and 1986 for five billion marks (3.2 billion dollars).

Euromissile is equally owned by the German aerospace and arms concern Messerschmitt-Boelkow-Blohm (Mbb) and the French Aerospatiale. Spokesmen for the concerns could neither confirm or deny the report.

Mbb denied an earlier report that it had supplied more than 60 combat helicopters to Iraq. A company spokesman confirmed, however, that between April 1979 and March 1990 Mbb had supplied 56 helicopters for civilian purposes.

The helicopters, 26 Bo 105s and 30 Bk 117s, had been for Vip flights and air-rescue operations, the spokesman explained.

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#90261d9310 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OTTAWA (SEPT 18) - Canada's trade surplus declined by 611 million dollars (525 million U.S.) in July to 1.2 billion dollars (1.03 billion U.S.), Canada Statistics said Tuesday.

Exports declined from June to July by 229 million dollars (197 million U.S.) to 12.5 billion dollars (10.75 billion U.S.), while imports increased by 382 million dollars (328 million U.S.) to 11.3 billion dollars (9.72 billion U.S.).

Canada enjoyed a trade surplus in July with the United States (1.7 billion dollars or 1.46 billion U.S.) and with Japan (66 million dollars or 56.76 million U.S.), but a deficit of 277 million dollars (238 million U.S.) with the 12-nation European Economic Community.

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#90261d9360 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 18) - Almost 50,000 Indians have been airlifted home from the Gulf and India is seeking clearance to send airforce transports for thousands of others, a foreign ministry spokesman said Tuesday.

The spokesman also said two passenger ships with a combined capacity of 2,200 passengers, had been dispatched to Umm Qasr in Iraq to ferry out Indian workers fleeing Kuwait to Dubai.

Some 172,000 Indians were working in Kuwait and another 10,000 in Iraq when Baghdad invaded Kuwait on August 2.

Air India is currently running a six-to-eight plane daily shuttle to pick up Indians who have made it to Jordan from Kuwait.

By Tuesday evening the number repatriated stood at 48,575 and the government is now running a hired bus shuttle from Kuwait to the Jordanian border.

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#90261d9390 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 18) - Black opinion has swung strongly against conservative Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi due to the worst black-versus-black violence in South Africa's history, according to an opinion poll released here Tuesday.

The nation-wide poll conducted by Integrated Marketing Research (IMR) among 2,100 "economically active" blacks last month found that 51 per cent of those polled believed Mr. Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom Party "was making a negative contribution to the future of South Africa".

More than 700 people had been killed since August 13 in fighting between Inkatha supporters and township residents loyal to the black nationalist African National Congress (ANC).

In a similiar study conducted in April this year, 18 per cent of the people polled were critical of Mr. Buthelezi and Inkatha, IMR said on Tuesday.

The poll showed that the ANC received the support of most blacks with 61 per cent saying the organisation was making a positive contribution to a peaceful future in South Africa.

ANC deputy president Nelson Mandela led among the politicians making positive contributions to a future South Africa with 34 per cent.

President Frederik de Klerk received the thumbs-up from 20 per cent of those polled while only one per cent of the respondents believed Mr. Buthelezi was making a positive contribution to peace in the country.

The ANC, which was unbanned by Mr. De Klerk on February 2, was representative of 70 per cent of blacks while only five per cent of those polled believed Inkatha was representative of black opinion, the survey found.

The South African Communist Party (SACP) was regarded by five per cent of the repondents as a positive force.

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#90261d9450 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 18) - The body of a policeman kidnapped on Saturday by the underground Irish Republican Army (Ira) was found in Northern Ireland on Tuesday.

The man, who was removed from his car at a roadblock after a fishing trip in Ireland, had been shot dead. The Ira has admitted responsibility for the killing.

The Ira also said it was responsible for the gun attack in London Monday evening on a British soldier, who was seriously wounded by two men riding on motor-cycles.

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#90261d9470 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN SALVADOR (SEPT. 18) - Intense fighting broke out on the outskirts of San Salvador Tuesday between government troops and rebel forces as peace talks between the two sides drew to an unsuccessful close in Costa Rica.

The fighting began shortly after dawn in the San Ramon neighborhood in the north of the city, coinciding with the last day of peace talks in San Jose, Costa Rica, between the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) and representatives of President Alfredo Cristiani's administration.

Hopes for a cease-fire in Salvador's 10-year civil war have faded as the talks became bogged down over rebel demands that the country's military be dissolved along with the anti-government guerrilla army as part of any peace agreement.

In Tuesday's fighting, the army's elite Atlacatl anti-insurgency unit engaged an FMLN column for half an hour, with gunfire and explosions heard all over the San Ramon area.

Ground troops were backed up by a helicopter gunship, the army sources added. There were no immediate reports of casualties.

A Defense Ministry statement Tuesday said increased security measures had been ordered at all military bases around the country "because of constant threats by the FMLN to launch a second offensive."

A few weeks after they had begun peace talks with the government, the FMLN last November launched one of their bloodiest offensives, during which some 3,000 people were reportedly killed.

In other action, military sources said a police officer was killed Tuesday when a military truck was ambushed by guerrillas in Quezaltepeque, 25 kilometers (16 miles) northeast of here.

A National Guard post in nearby Guazapa also came under rebel fire with no casualties reported, another military statement said.

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#90261d9640 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) - The United States Tuesday expressed surprise and dismay at Jordan's hosting of an anti-American conference attended by Arab radical and guerrilla groups opposed to the U.S. military presence in the Gulf.

"We are surprised and dismayed that the conference took place and we have told the Jordanians so. We want to work with Jordan during and after the crisis in the Gulf," said State Department Margaret Tutwiler.

"Hosting the conference is very hard for us to understand," she told a press briefing.

The three-day conference, which ended in Amman Monday, brought together more than 3,000 radicals who vowed to strike against American interests everywhere if U.S. forces deployed in the Gulf launched an attack against Iraq.

Participants also threatened to trigger subversion against Arab nations, such as Egypt and the oil-rich Gulf emirates, that have aligned themselves with Washington in its bid to roll back the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Among those present were two prominent radical Palestinian leaders: George Habash of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and Nayef Hawatmeh of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

"The overt anti-Americanism displayed by the conference and the call for the overthrow of Egypt's President (Hosni) Mubarak was not surprising given the guest list of the conference.

"We are appalled by the statements that were made ... Such language is not only inflammatory, but it can have the result of inciting the kind of violence which it threatens," said Miss Tutwiler.

"It also ignores the overriding threat to peace in the region, which is Iraq's unbridled ambition evidenced by its invasion and occupation of neighboring Kuwait," she added.

Miss Tutwiler also said Jordan was now importing 40 per cent of its oil from Iraq, but noted that this was down from 90 per cent prior to the invasion of Kuwait and the resulting U.N.-mandated trade embargo against Iraq.

"Yes, there is seepage, but overall we believe the embargo is working very well," she said.

"In the case of Jordan, everyone has publicly acknowledged that they (Jordanians) are in a very difficult situation (given their economic dependence on Iraq) and they are being hit very hard by the sanctions," she said.

She noted that Amman had pledged to abide by the sanctions and that various countries, including the United States, the European Economic Community and Japan, had promised to provide financial aid to Jordan, Egypt and Turkey, the countries most advsersely affected by the imposition of the U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

Miss Tutwiler made it clear that any U.S. aid would have to be contingent on Amman's complying fully with the sanctions. Washington has provided Amman with 28 million dollars to cope with the influx of refugees who have been fleeing Iraq and Kuwait.

"We are all working to alleviate their unique and specific pain ... We hope that with the additional aid that's being given to them from various countries around the world, they (Jordanians) will no longer have a need to even use this 40 per cent (oil import)," the spokeswoman said.

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#90261d9940 09/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (SEPT 18) - Hungary and Britain decided on Tuesday to abolish visa requirements for one another's nationals from October 1, the MTI news agency said.

The decision was announced shortly after the arrival here from Prague of British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher on a three-day official visit.

The British premier, speaking at a dinner hosted by her Hungarian counterpart, Jozsef Antall, noted that Hungary faced economic difficulties compounded by the Gulf crisis and rising oil prices, adding that she was sure its "friends" in the West would help if asked.

As in Czechoslovakia, Mrs. Thatcher also said Britain would give reforming East European democracies its backing to become full members of the European Economic Community.

Mr. Antall said Hungary wished to play its role in European reunification and the building of the 'European house'.

Under the visa agreement announced here Hungarians will still need to apply for visas to work in Britain or if they wish to stay in the country for more than six months.

Also on Tuesday, Hungary and the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg agreed to drop visa requirements for visits of less than three months.

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#90261e0008 09/18/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Pamplona, Spain (SEPT. 18) EFE - A suspected member of the armed Basque separatist group ETA was shot dead by police Tuesday in the northern Spanish city of Pamplona, authorities said.

Police said a gun was pulled on them when they approached a suspicious vehicle and asked the three people inside for identification about 9:30 am (0730 GMT) in the old section of Pamplona, 350 km northeast of Madrid.

Suspected ETA member Mikel Castillo, 23, was shot when he tried to flee and later died in hospital. A second man was arrested and the third suspect escaped on foot.

Authorities said the three were about to attack a drug dealer, a frequent ETA target.

ETA, which stands for Basque Homeland and Freedom, has killed more than 600 people since it began to fight for the right to independence of Spain's Basque region in 1968.

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#90261e0038 09/18/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

VITORIA, SPAIN (SEPT 18) EFE - Two French police officers are to arrive in northern Spain this week as part of an anti-terrorist cooperation accord between Madrid and Paris directed mainly at cracking down on the Basque armed separatist group ETA, officials said Tuesday.

They said the two officers would be initially posted to the northern Basque region's capital of Vitoria. In exchange, two Spanish police officers were posted to southern France last week, authorities added.

The officers will be restricted to coordination and data-exchange duties.

France and Spain began cooperating on anti-terrorism schemes in 1984 to weaken the Basque armed separatist group ETA which has waged a 22-year-old campaign for the right to independence of northern Spain's Basque region.

Southern France's Basque region has been a hiding place and source of support for the organization and its members.

More than 600 people, moslty Spanish security force members, have been killed by ETA, whose initials stand for Basque Homeland and Freedom.

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#90261j0001 09/18/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

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Nightline (ABC) September 17, 1990 (Transcript #2431)

The U.S.-Iraqi Propaganda War: Marvin Kalb of Harvard University, Rami Khouri of Jordan Times and David Gergen of U.S. News & World Report debate who is winning the TV propaganda war between the U.S. and Iraq.

Crossfire (CNN) September 17, 1990

What's Our Game Plan in the Gulf?: Former Assistant Secretary of Defense Richard Pearle and CNN military analyst Colonel Harry Summers discuss the advisability of a U.S. air attack on Iraqi targets, a plan revealed by General Michael Dugan, who lost his job as Air Force Chief of Staff for doing so.

Donahue September 17, 1990 (Transcript #3035)

Kathleen Turner, Christopher Reeve, Ron Silver, Susan Sarandon and Stephen Collins: Five actors who believe passionately that the arts should be free of censorship make their case for continued funding for the National Endowment for the Arts. Centering on the Robert Mapplethorpe controversy, they discuss what they believe are the reasons for the current anti- pornography furor, the proper role of the government in the arts, and possible compromises in NEA funding and structure that might address the concerns of both artists and taxpayers.

Geraldo September 17, 1990 (Transcript #783)

Wombs for Rent: The controversial issue of surrogacy is discussed. Mary Beth Whitehead discusses her case as Baby M's mother and the effect that surrogacy had on her life. Other parents and surrogate mothers discuss their views on this issue and how they can or cannot keep from bonding with the baby that is being carried either in their womb or by a surrogate mother.

Moneyline (CNN) September 17, 1990 (Transcript #185)

UAW/GM reach tentative agreement; budgeteers set deadline for decision; Donald Marron, Chairman and CEO of Paine Webber; Salomon poised to profit from Gulf turmoil; Nikkei volatility; oil prices in Africa; Leona Helmsley and others capitalize on Mideast.

Good Morning America (ABC) September 17, 1990 (Transcript #1111)

Iraqi invasions of diplomatic residences; potential for U.S.- Soviet trade

relationship; lava fields and ecosystems; prostate cancer screening; Steve Guttenberg interview; Shelby Steele interview; Emmy Awards; Forbes top 40 highest-paid entertainers; Operation Support (sends postcards and packages to soldiers in Gulf); Jennifer Lynch interview.

Larry King Live (CNN) September 17, 1990 (Transcript #130)

Kitty Dukakis / Linda Evans: Kitty Dukakis discusses her new book, Now You Know, about her difficulties with alcoholism and drug addiction; Linda Evans talks about her career plans and her involvement with the ''Take Pride in America'' organization.

Sally Jessy Raphael September 17, 1990 (Transcript #531)

Children Back From Death: Teenagers who had near-death experiences when they were children describe what they went through, the circumstances of their experiences, and what significance it has had on their lives. Doctors Melvin Morse and Jeffrey Wisoff debate whether these are purely hallucinatory experiences brought on by chemical changes in the brain and body or a common experience for all those who die.

Oprah Winfrey Show September 17, 1990 (Transcript #1046)

Nice Guys Finish Last: Four men who have great personalities but aren't in relationships say it's because they're nice guys and explain why they're tired of being the consolation prize, available to go out when other boyfriends are out of town. Two women join the discussion to say they like men who are challenges and nice guys are just too predictable. Skip Hollandsworth, columnist for Mademoiselle, says these guys aren't as nice as they think they are.

Tuesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: The Human Side: Moms, Beer and Racism in the Middle East Sally Jessy Raphael: Barbara Mandrell Geraldo: Hell Camp Oprah Winfrey: Emotional Incest

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#90261k0065 09/18/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 18) KYODO - JAPAN'S HOUSEHOLD SPENDING IN JULY GREW AN INFLATION-ADJUSTED 1.3 PERCENT OVER THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR, SHOWING CONTINUED STEADY CONSUMPTION, THE MANGEMENT AND COORDINATION AGENCY SAID TUESDAY.

THE RISE IS SMALLER THAN GROWTH IN THE PREVIOUS MONTHS, BUT THAT DOES NOT SIGNAL A DOWNTREND IN CONSUMPTION, SAID AN OFFICIAL, CITING BRISK SALES AT DEPARTMENT STORES.

THE JULY FIGURE COMPARED WITH A 2.0 PERCENT INCREASE IN JUNE AND A 3.4 PERCENT INCREASE IN MAY

AVERAGE JAPANESE HOUSEHOLD CONSUMPTION IN JULY TOTALED 322,760 YEN, COMPARED WITH 291,366 YEN IN JUNE.

WAGE-EARNER HOUSEHOLDS SPENT AN AVERAGE 353,414 YEN, UP 0.8 PERCENT, WHILE CONSUMPTION BY NON-WAGE EARNING HOUSEHOLDS, SUCH AS THE SELF-EMPLOYED AND FARMERS GREW 5.1 PERCENT TO 270,114 YEN.

THE RISE IN SPENDING BY NON-WAGE EARNING HOUSEHOLDS IS ''NOT REMARKABLE,'' SAID THE OFFICIAL, SINCE IT COMPARES WITH THE DROP IN CONSUMPTION LAST YEAR AFTER THE INTRODUCTION OF THE 3 PERCENT CONSUMPTION TAX.

THE NET INCOME OF WAGE-EARNER HOUSEHOLDS ROSE 2.3 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 627,171 YEN, A FIGURE WHICH REFLECTS THE JULY BONUSES, THE AGENCY SAID.

THEIR AVERAGE DISPOSABLE INCOME ROSE 1.9 PERCENT TO 532,404 YEN. SPENDING ON GOODS ROSE AN INFLATION-ADJUSTED 0.8 PERCENT, WHILE SERVICE-RELATED CONSUMPTION GREW 4.5 PERCENT.

CONSUMPTION WAS STRONG IN GOODS IN THE MEDICAL CATEGORY, WHICH GREW 9.3 PERCENT, LED BY DEMAND FOR HEALTH DRINKS AND EXPENSIVE EYEGLASSES.

INTERIOR DECORATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW SYSTEM KITCHENS PULLED UP GROWTH IN THE HOUSING CATEGORY TO 4.0 PERCENT.

OTHER CATEGORIES, SUCH AS ENERGY AND WATER, TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS, ENTERTAINMENT AND FOODS, ALSO SHOWED AN INCREASE IN CONSUMPTION.

IN CONTRAST, A DECLINE WAS SEEN IN EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES, WHICH DROPPED 3.2 PERCENT DUE TO LOWER TUITION FEES AND A SLIDE IN CLOTHES SPENDING, WHICH DROPPED 1.8 PERCENT DUE TO A DECLINE IN MADE-TO-ORDER SUITS.

CONSMPTION IN FURNITURE AND OTHER HOUSEHOLD DURABLES FELL 0.7 PERCENT.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 18) KYODO - THE NATIONAL PERSONNEL AUTHORITY HAS DECIDED TO LAUNCH A TASK FORCE TO REVIEW THE CURRENT PUBLIC SERVANT RETIREMENT AGE OF 60 WITH A VIEW TO HAVING IT ACCORD BETTER WITH THE AGING SOCIETY AND RELATED SHORTAGE OF WORK FORCE, OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

THE TASK FORCE, TO BE INITIATED ON OCTOBER 1, WILL STUDY THE POSSIBILITY OF RAISING THE RETIREMENT AGE FROM THE CURRENT 60 YEARS, AS WELL AS SYSTEMS OF REEMPLOYMENT AND ALTERNATIVE EMPLOYMENT FOR THOSE WHO RETIRE, AND THE CULTIVATION OF WORK FOR THE AGED ACCORDING TO THEIR LABOR CAPACITY. IT WILL ALSO REVIEW THE SYSTEM OF PEGGING SALARY TO AGE.

BY THE YEAR 2011, ONE IN FIVE JAPANESE IS EXPECTED TO BE OVER AGE 65. WITH GROWING LONGEVITY, THE LARGER POOL OF RETIRED ELDERLY PEOPLE IS EXPECTED TO PLACE A HEAVY BURDEN ON AN INCREASINGLY LIMITED LABOR FORCE.

THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY MADE PLANS TO GRADUALLY RAISE THE QUALIFYING AGE FOR WELFARE PENSIONS FROM THE CURRENT 60 YEARS TO 65 BY 2010.

SINCE THE GOVERNMENT WILL TAKE THE FIRST STEP TO RAISE THE MINIMUM PENSIONABLE AGE TO 61 YEARS IN FISCAL 1998, THE PERSONNEL AUTHORITY PLANS TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS CONCERNING THE EXPANDED EMPLOYMENT OF PUBLIC SERVANTS BY 1992.

VARIOUS STUDY GROUPS WILL BE FORMED IN THE COMING YEAR TO CONDUCT THE NECESSARY RESEARCH, BUT IT ALREADY SEEMS LIKELY THAT A RAISED RETIREMENT AGE FOR PUBLIC SERVANTS WILL AFFECT RETIREMENT SYSTEMS FOR LOCAL PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYEES AND PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYEES AS WELL.

THE GOVERNMENT MUST ALSO CONFRONT EXISTING SYSTEMS WHICH ENCOURAGE EARLY RETIREMENT BEFORE AGE 60, AND THE ALLOCATION OF SPECIFIED NUMBERS OF MANAGERIAL POSTS TO OLDER EMPLOYEES.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 18) KYODO - THE AVERAGE RETAIL PRICE FOR 10 CUBIC METERS OF LIQUIFIED PETROLEUM GAS (LPG) ROSE 4.9 PERCENT IN AUGUST FROM THE SAME MONTH A YEAR EARLIER, THE BIGGEST INCREASE IN MORE THAN NINE YEARS SINCE MARCH 1981, WHEN IT POSTED A 7.4 PERCENT GAIN, ACCORDING TO A GOVERNMENT CONSUMER-PRICE SURVEY RELEASED TUESDAY.

THE SURVEY, CONDUCTED BY THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY, SHOWED THE AVERAGE LPG PRICE NATIONWIDE DURING AUGUST INCREASED 0.4 PERCENT OR 19 YEN FROM JULY PER 10 CUBIC METERS TO 4,755 YEN.

MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID THE MARKED JUMP IN RETAIL PRICES WAS NOT DUE TO SURGING CRUDE OIL COSTS IN THE WAKE OF THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT IN EARLY

AUGUST.

INSTEAD, THEY CITED A CHANGE IN THE PRICE-CALCULATION FORMULA ADOPTED BY SAUDI ARABIA IN NOVEMBER LAST YEAR, AS WELL AS RISING STORAGE COSTS.

IN AUGUST, THE LPG PRICE PER FIVE-CUBIC-METER PURCHASE ALSO ROSE 1.1 PERCENT FROM THE PRECEDING MONTH AND 11.4 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO AN AVERAGE 2,742 YEN, ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY.

AUGUST MARKED THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE MONTH IN WHICH THE LPG PRICE PER FIVE CUBIC METERS POSTED A DOUBLE-DIGIT YEAR-ON-YEAR INCREASE, THE SURVEY SAID.

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JAKARTA (SEPT. 18) KYODO - INDONESIAN HAS SET ITS MINAS CRUDE OIL PRICE FOR SEPTEMBER AT 28.03 DOLLARS PER BARREL, BISNIS INDONESIA REPORTED TUESDAY.

THE PAPER QUOTED INDONESIAN MINISTER OF MINES AND ENERGY GINANDJAR KARTASASMITA AS SAYING THE MINAS OIL PRICE WAS SET AT 16.50 DOLLARS PER BARREL EARLY THIS YEAR, BUT HAD TO BE SET AT ITS NEW LEVEL DUE TO INCREASES IN THE WORLD OIL PRICES.

INDONESIA EARNS 900 BILLION RUPIAHS IN ADDITIONAL INCOME FOR EVERY DOLLAR INCREASE IN THE PRICE OF ITS OIL.

INDONESIA WILL RAISE ITS ESTIMATED OIL PRODUCTION TO 1.35 MILLION BARRELS PER DAY FOR OCTOBER AND 1.4 MILLION BARRELS PER DAY IN DECEMBER, THE PAPER SAID.

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NAGOYA (SEPT. 18) KYODO - TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. ON TUESDAY ANNOUNCED PLANS TO MERGE ITS TWO UNITS IN BELGIUM INTO ONE IN A BID TO STRENGTHEN ITS MARKETING POWER IN EUROPE.

THE TOP JAPANESE AUTOMAKER SAID TOYOTA EUROPE MARKETING SERVICE AND ITS EUROPE OFFICE BASED IN BRUSSELS WILL BE MERGED TO CREATE A NEW MARKETING SUBSIDIARY OCTOBER 1.

THE NEW COMPANY, CALLED TOYOTA MOTOR EUROPE MARKETING AND ENGINEERING S.A. (TMME), WILL HANDLE EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF TOYOTA'S COMMERCIAL VEHICLES AND TOP-END LUXURY SEDAN, THE LEXUS LS 400, WHILE UNDERTAKING THE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT OF AUTOS AND AUTO PARTS, THE COMPANY SAID.

TMME WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 1.1 BILLION BELGIAN FRANCS AND HAVE SOME 120 EMPLOYEES, IT SAID.

TOYOTA SAID IT PLANS TO ACHIEVE ANNUAL SALES OF 50,000 VEHICLES THROUGH THE NEW COMPANY. IN 1989, TOYOTA EUROPE MARKETING SERVICE SOLD SOME 8,500 VEHICLES.

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#90261k0108 09/18/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 18) KYODO - NIPPON OIL CO. SAID TUESDAY THAT ITS INTENTION TO NOTIFY CONTRACTORS OF A RISE IN PRICES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS THE SAME DAY WAS SUSPENDED BY A GOVERNMENT AGENCY FOR PROCEDURAL REASONS.

THE AGENCY OF NATIONAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY SAID IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO COMPLETE THE NECESSARY FORMALITIES IN TIME.

THE COMPANY HAD ORIGINALLY PLANNED TO ISSUE THE NOTIFICATION ON WEDNESDAY BUT NOW MOVED ITS PLANS ONE DAY AHEAD. THE PRICE HIKE WILLBE EFFECTIVE ON THURSDAY AS ORIGINALLY PLANNED.

THE PRICE RISE FOR GASOLINE, KEROSENE, AND OTHER PETROLEUM PRODUCTS BY AN AVERAGE 8 PERCENT PER LITER WAS PROPOSED IN THE WAKE OF THE IRAQI INVASION AND ANNEXATION OF KUWAIT IN EARLY AUGUST.

TEN OTHER MAJOR JAPANESE OIL WHOLESALERS ANNOUNCED SIMILAR PRICE HIKES MONDAY.

AS A RESULT OF THE INDUSTRY-WIDE PRICE HIKES, NEW GASOLINE PRICES WILL AVERAGE ABOUT 130 YEN PER LITER WHILE KEROSENE WILL BE PRICED AROUND 960 YEN PER 18 LITERS.

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#90261k0129 09/18/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) KYODO - JAPAN, FACING A SECTION 301 PETITION FROM ALLIED-SIGNAL CO., APPARENTLY OFFERED A NEW PROPOSAL TUESDAY TO BREAK THE IMPASSE IN A DISPUTE OVER AMORPHOUS METALS, A U.S. SOURCE SAID TUESDAY.

"THE JAPANESE CAME BACK WITH ANOTHER PROPOSAL," THE SOURCE SAID WITHOUT ELABORATION.

THE MOVE CAME SHORTLY BEFORE ALLIED-SIGNAL WAS ABOUT TO REFILE A SECTION 301 PETITION AGAINST JAPAN'S REFUSAL TO GRANT A SPECIAL EXTENSION OF PATENTS IN JAPAN.

BOTH JAPANESE AND U.S. OFFICIALS ACKNOWLEDGED EARLIER THAT MARATHON TALKS COLLAPSED AND THE REFILING OF A PETITION BY ALLIED-SIGNAL WAS INEVITABLE.

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#90261k0161 09/18/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 19) KYODO - A LONG SPELL OF PARCHING HEAT, COUPLED WITH A BOOM IN NEW BRANDS, SENT PEOPLE THROUGHOUT JAPAN THIS SUMMER GULPING DOWN OVER 2 MILLION KILOLITERS OF BEER, OR 1.8 TIMES THE CAPACITY OF THE TOKYO DOME, TAX AUTHORITIES SAID ON WEDNESDAY.

BEER DELIVERIES BY ALL BREWERS DURING THE JUNE-AUGUST PERIOD TOTALED 2,186,000 KILOLITERS, SURPASSING LAST YEAR'S RECORD INTAKE OF 1,959,000 KILOLITERS, THE NATIONAL TAX ADMINISTRATION AGENCY SAID.

THE TOTAL CONSUMPTION AMOUNTED TO THE EQUIVALENT OF 3.45 BILLION BIG BOTTLES OF 633 MILLILITER CAPACITY.

THIS MEANT AN ADULT TILTED 38 BIG BOTTLES ON THE AVERAGE, PAYING SOME 5,000 YEN IN LIQUOR TAX, THE AGENCY SAID.

THE AUTHORITIES ATTRIBUTED THE BOOST IN BEER CONSUMPTION TO A BEER WAR AMONG BREWERS, WITH NEW BRANDS BEING LAUNCHED ON THE MARKET IN QUICK SUCCESSION.

CITED AS ANOTHER MAJOR FACTOR BEHIND THE NATION'S THIRST WAS THE PROLONGED SPELL OF SCORCHING SUMMER DAYS WHEN THE TEMPERATURE ROSE ABOUT 30 C -- MEASURED AT 28 DAYS IN TOKYO AND 31 DAYS IN OSAKA.

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#90261k0166 09/18/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 19) KYODO - THE FINANCE MINISTRY BOUGHT A TOTAL OF ABOUT 90 BILLION YEN IN 10-YEAR GOVERNMENT BONDS WITH ITS SINKING FUND WEDNESDAY MORNING IN AN APPARENT BID TO PROP UP THE FLAGGING BOND MARKET, BOND DEALERS SAID.

THE OPERATION, CONDUCTED ON THE NOS. 89, 117, AND 119 ISSUES, IS INTENDED TO HOLD UP THE BOND MARKET, WHICH HAS BEEN STAGGERING UNDER THE WEIGHT OF HIGH LEVELS OF SHORT-TERM INTEREST RATES.

IT IS THE 12TH TIME THE MINISTRY HAS CONDUCTED SUCH AN OPERATION WITH ITS NATIONAL DEBT CONSOLIDATION FUND SPECIAL ACCOUNT SINCE FEBRUARY.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 18) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The LABOR DEPARTMENT reports that the consumer price index for August rose 0.8% just as analyst had expected. Excluding food and energy the rise was

0.5%. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT says that the Merchandise Trade Deficit for July surged 75% from June to a 9.33 billion deficit which was much wider than the 7.2 billion gap that analysts expected. ... Both bonds and the dollar dropped on the morning's economic news.

Higher oil prices send world stock markets lower: ... After touching a new intraday low for the year, the Nikkei closes off 481 points at 23,885. ... The London FTSE is off 24 points at midday. ... The dollar is stronger across the board. ... Bond prices are lower yielding 9.06% on the long Treasury. ... After rising, Brent North Sea crude eases 10 cents to $33.35. ... Atlanta will host the 1996 Olympic games. ... The UAW and GENERAL MOTORS reached a tentative three-year pact that apparently broke new ground on job security. ... IBM and MICROSOFT reaffirmed their partnership and redefined the way they will work together on basic software development in an effort to dispel rumors that they were at odds. ... APPLE BANCORP says its directors have dropped their opposition to a longstanding takeover bid by real estate developer STANLEY STAHL. ... KODAK plans to sell a system for storing photographs on compact disks and displaying them on TV and computer screens.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The LABOR DEPARTMENT is scheduled to release real earnings at 10 a.m. EDT. ... A UAL union group plans to meet with banks this week about a new offer of $175 to $180 a share. ... TREASURY UNDERSECRETARY DAVID MULFORD testifies before the House Banking Subcommittee hearing on the Bush administrations "Enterprise for the Americas" initiative. later today to hear the final report on the review of the 1988 FSLIC Assistance agreements.

FROM THE BEARS:

HUGH JOHNSON of FIRST ALBANY CORP. says he is currently assuming a $32-to-$34 barrel oil price "and under that assumption I think we're talking 2100, maybe 2050, [on the Dow]. If we got up to $36, of course we're talking a lower level, maybe 1900." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 9/17)

STOCK MARKET:

Take a very conservative approach, advises PAINEWEBBER's MARY FARRELL. "Even if every problem in the Middle East is solved, with still have to contend with a pretty serious domestic problem ... a recession." Farrell says she expects a slow recovery: "That spells difficult times for corporate profits." Long term, Farrell says the 1990s should be terrific for companies that sell to a global market. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/18)

"The worst thing for the market is uncertainty," says JEFFREY SHAMES, chief equity officer at MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES. "It all depends on what this one guy [Saddam Hussein] thinks about while he's shaving in the morning. ... Everybody is waiting to react to something. In the process, no one is

buying or selling. They're just doing a little trading on the edges." ("Investor's Daily", 9/18)

"Assuming that I'm right and we get this couple-hundred point rally in the Dow I would like to see a lot of volume, declining interest rates [and] the market broaden out, but in all honesty I don't think that will happen, and I think the market will have troubles later on," says RALPH ACAMPORA, technical analyst at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/17)

The primary trend in the Dow Industrials has remained bullish while the Transports have been bearish since October, says RICHARD EVANS of "Dow Theory Forecasts." "Should the Industrials decline below 2483 accompanied by the Transports below 861, it would indicate a bear market." However, Evans says it is more likely the market is in a secondary correction, and he looks for a bottom to form amid some trading volatility. "The market is quite likely creating on the best buying opportunities since the 1987 lows." (CNBC "World Business", 9/18)

"At this point, $35 for a barrel of oil is already figured into the [stock] market, so you can't jump to any conclusions about how the market performed," says PRUDENTIAL-BACHE analyst HILDEGARDE ZAGORSKI. "But the market still has a very cautious, defensive attitude." ("USA Today", 9/18)

"Retail [business] is very, very slow, which is what we're hearing from everybody," says HEDI REYNOLDS, managing director of OTC trading at MORGAN KEEGAN & CO. in Memphis, Tenn. She says investors are also remaining wary as they wait for economic news and developments in the Persian Gulf. (WSJ, 9/18)

"We have a market with no direction. It's trying to react to a very oversold condition and is being kicked around by confusing signals: the budget talks, the gulf crisis and economic news," says RAO CHALASANI, chief investment strategist at PRESCOTT, BALL & TURBEN. On a positive note he says, "The new lows are declining in number and that's encouraging." (NYT, 9/18)

"Nobody wants to make any commitments for fear that they're going to be wrong tomorrow," says JAMES ANDREWS, first vice president in charge of institutional trading at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT in Philadelphia. (WSJ, 9/18)

STOCK TIPS:

"Crisis always offers a moment of opportunity," says GERALDINE WEISS at "Investment Quality Trends." She recommends a 30% position in stocks and, if the decline continues, would invest another 30% at 2095 on the Dow. If the market breaks the recent low at 2460, she sees it falling to the 2095 level before any profitable up move. Weiss likes two undervalued stocks: UNITED INDUSTRIAL and ZERO CORPORATION. (CNBC "World Business", 9/18)

"The secular trend in the defense industry is down," says analyst MICHAEL

ROSEN of SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM & CO. On Monday he issued an avoid rating on McDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. JULI NEIMANN, an analyst at St. Louis-based HUNTLEIGH SECURITIES, is also negative on the stock which closed at 50 yesterday. Neimann says, "We're getting back to the land of reality." She says the stock should trade in the low 40s. ("USA Today", 9/18)

While unavailability of gasoline will keep gamblers out of casinos, higher fuel prices have not hurt gambling in the past, according to LEE ISGUR, entertainment analyst at PAINEWEBBER. With gaming stocks depressed, he advises, "Get your feet wet, be there, but don't use all your resources yet." Isgur says, "Nevada is wonderful for the investor but stay away from New Jersey." He likes CIRCUS CIRCUS and GOLDEN NUGGET, and expects both to have record earnings this year and possibly next. (CNN "Business Day", 9/18)

"I'm sort of suggesting that investors not try to be heroes or not try to forecast where things are going," says HUGH JOHNSON of FIRST ALBANY CORP. "The risks are pretty high so what you do is you say, 'Let's take some steps to defend the portfolio given the fact that there is a chance of a recession and a chance of a rise in oil prices to $36 per barrel. And the way you do that is you raise a little cash in your portfolio: 40% stocks, 40% bonds, 20% cash." He says a lot of consumer products "like COKE and PEPSI are simply overvalued on an historic basis and you would move out of those stocks if you own them and you try to buy stocks which have been beaten down or undervalued, say like IBM or the telephones." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 9/17)

Despite good news from its annual meeting, NIKE stock fell 3 points to 72. "It was all good news," says FRED ANSCHEL, analyst at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. He is bullish on the stock and says that investors need not worry about a recession cutting into demand for some of Nike's high-priced sneakers. "Nike tends to focus on its higher- priced shoes in its advertising. Its bread and butter is still in sneakers priced $50 to $70." GARY JACOBSON of KIDDER PEABODY & CO. agrees that the meeting was "all right in line with expectations." He explains the drop by saying the company has spoiled Wall Street in the past. "People have come to expect positive surprises from Nike." ("USA Today", 9/18)

"When the market makes a big move and takes everything down without regard, it's time for an upgrade in quality," says JEFFREY SHAMES, chief equity officer at MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES. "The winner in all of this will be natural gas. Natural gas has cleaner burning characteristics, and it's a lot cheaper. We're buying stocks in the transmission [business], as well as drillers and exploration and production people." ("Investor's Daily", 9/18)

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ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"The currency market is determined to take the [U.S.] dollar down," says ROBERT WHITE, manager of corporate foreign-exchange trading at FIRST INTERSTATE BANK in Los Angeles. "The investment currencies are back in vogue " says White referring to the British pound and the Canadian and Australian dollars. Interest rates are higher in all three countries, which are also oil exporters. (WSJ, 9/18)

"There is no compelling reason to buy the dollar," says ABIGAIL COOK, a corporate foreign-exchange dealer for HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORP. DAVID WILSON, a New York vice president with GIROZENTRALE VIENNA, explains, "The [currency] market is looking for bad news" for the U.S. economy. (WSJ, 9/18)

"People are waiting for a lot of things to happen this week before committing to more dollar bashing," says JOE SABBAGH, chief currency and gold trader for EUROPEAN AMERICAN CAPITAL CORP. (WSJ, 9/18)

"In an era of a weak dollar, I think the Fed's control over what's going on [with interest rates] is very limited," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist for "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "The higher oil price and the weaker dollar makes it hard for interest rates to move down in the open market. ... They are going to have a very hard time easing and the economy is going to slither because of it. ... We need help. We have to have the Japanese and the German central banks help us ease. That's going to be hard to arrange, but I would predict that that's the way it's got to go, otherwise we won't be able to ease." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/17)

Expect a two-to-six month spike in inflation, says DAVID BLITZER, chief economist at STANDARD & POORS. "Inflation rates will look very fiercesome. But by next March or April, we'll be back looking at three and a half or four percent inflation." Blizter says his scenario does not depend on a drop in the price of oil, but merely that the price level out in the mid-30s. (CNBC "World Business", 9/18)

"I don't know if the market will react to the consumer price numbers at all," says MITCHELL HELD, chief financial economist at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM & COMPANY. "Bond traders are focusing on the Middle East and oil prices, and traders of short-term securities are looking at the budget negotiations and the Fed." Mr. Held projects that consumer prices will jump a full percentage point in August. "The numbers will have an upward bias because the Government collected the autumn apparel price figures one month earlier than usual." (NYT, 9/18)

JAMES CAPRA, a senior vice president at LEHMAN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES INC., says that trading activity in the bond market has come to a virtual standstill

because investors are "too afraid to do anything." He adds, "I think the market is torn between the concern about a Middle East war, a weaker dollar, and oil prices that keep trading higher every day" vs. the potentially positive aspects of a budget- reduction compromise and the possibility that the Federal Reserve might reduce short-term interest rates. (WSJ, 9/18)

THE ECONOMY:

"We're running out of data that we could interpret in some fashion to show that maybe the economy's not so bad off," says KIM RUPERT, economist at consultants MMS INTERNATIONAL. KATHLEEN CAMILLI, chief economist at MARIA RAMIREZ CAPITAL CONSULTANTS INC., agrees and says, "The scales are tipping in the direction of a recession." ("USA Today", 9/18)

Business inventories rose 0.7% in July which is the biggest stock pile in a year, and sales fell 0.5%. "When inventories rise faster than sales, particularly when sales are in a lagging mode, it's reasonable to assume you're going to see cutbacks in manufacturing output," says ROBERT BRUSCA, the chief financial economist at NIKKO SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL INC. in New York. Mr. Brusca does not believe the high level of inventories is recessionary at this point in time. "But with evidence that retail selling is weak and that output is falling, to have inventories building is not a good sign for the economy." (NYT, 9/18)

JOAN SCHNEIDER, senior domestic economist at CONTINENTAL BANK NATIONAL TRUST & CO. in Chicago, saw "nothing truly alarming" in the July business inventory figures. "The inventory-to-sales ratio is up a little from June, but it's not out of line from the past year." (WSJ, 9/18)

"The overall tone of the political situation is that there's less and less talk of peace," says CHRISTIAN GOHLER, an energy futures trader and vice president at MERRILL LYNCH FUTURES INC. "By the end of the week we could certainly see $35 [a barrel for oil], and in a few weeks, potentially we could see $40" a barrel. (NYT, 9/18)

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BOULDER, COLO. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Hauser Chemical Research Inc. (NASDAQ: HAUS) announced operating results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended July 31, 1990. Total revenues were $1,546,820, for the quarter, which is up 125 percent over the $687,223 reported for the first quarter in the prior year. Profits were $99,115 before taxes, $69,115 after tax, up 217 percent over the $21,767 reported for the first quarter in the prior year.

The results in this quarter were dramatically impacted by new business with Bristol-Myers Squibb related to the manufacture of Taxol, a promising new anti-cancer drug. Volume for Bristol-Myers Squibb was $558,000 in the first

quarter of fiscal 1991 versus $345,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990. The company's Taxol production is expected to grow substantially as increased research quantities of Taxol are required prior to introduction of the drug to the market.

The increase in revenues included $461,140 from Hauser Laboratories Inc., which was acquired Jan. 1, 1990. The first commercial producton of vanilla for Fries & Fries, an international flavor company, (Mallinckrodt Food & Flavors Inc.) was also completed during this quarter.

Hauser Chemical Research is a chemical and engineering technology company encompassing chemical research and chemical analysis, engineering services, petroleum testing, and isolation and purification of high-value products and chemicals from natural sources. It is one of only a few companies nationwide applying chemical process technologies to the broader field of biotechnology with a special emphasis on natural products. Hauser Chemical Research has developed proprietary chemical technologies that enable it to isolate and purify extracts and natural compounds at a high-quality level and a lower cost than competing technologies. The company processes materials for clients producing pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, nutrients, and other high-value products. Its service and research activities encompass the general field of organic and inorganic chemistry with special expertise in process and product development, synthesis, surface modification, chemical analysis, environmental analysis, industrial problem solving, product formulation, material testing, engineering services, and forensic investigations.

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OREM, UTAH (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Wicat Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: WCAT), announced today an agreement with Muscogee County Schools (Columbus, Ga.) to provide Wicat learning systems for all eight high schools in the district.

The recent contract is valued at approximately $780,000 and will provide the district with eight integrated learning systems, each comprised of 64 learning stations.

The learning systems are part of an aggressive dropout prevention and graduation retention program being implemented throughout the district. Approximately 1,600 students have been identified for the program, and the district hopes to reduce the dropout rate by 50 percent in the first year alone.

According to district officials, Wicat will play an important role in the program. They noted that Wicat's strong language arts and mathematics curricula are particularly well-suited to the needs of the targeted students.

In addition to the daytime student program, the labs will also be used for adult basic education and GED instruction. District officials also commented that Wicat's comprehensive GED program will be particularly appropriate for these students.

The city of Columbus has been selected as a target city in a state-wide program to develop literate communities. The project has united the Muscogee County Schools Board, the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, and the Columbus City Government in a common commitment to a major literacy program.

Wicat Systems, is a world leader in technology-based training and education solutions, providing products and services to help clients achieve 30 to 50 percent learning improvement in schools, industry and government. Wicat's stock is traded in the NASDAQ market under the symbol WCAT.

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ROCHESTER, NY (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Rochester Telephone Corp. (NYSE: RTC) announced today that it has signed a letter of intent to acquire the DePue Telephone Co. of DePue, Ill. DePue would become Rochester Tel's 8th operating telephone company in Illinois and its 20th in the Midwest.

DePue Telephone serves about 760 access lines in a territory about 60 miles north of Bloomington. Its territory is approximately 50 miles from another Rochester Tel subsidiary, Prairie Telephone Co.

DePue also has a minority interest in Illinois' cellular Rural Service Area no. 2, which is crossed by three interstate highways. It's been ranked as one of the most attractive RSAs in the nation.

In announcing the proposed acquisition, David C. Mitchell, president of Rochester Tel's Telephone Group, said DePue is a well-managed company with a strong service commitment.

"We're pleased that DePue is joining our family of companies and strengthening our presence in Illinois," Mitchell said.

DePue's principal owners, Fred J. Rauh, Jr., and Gerald Toovey, said Rochester Tel's record of maintaining the local identity of its subsidiaries was a major factor in the sale.

"We're proud to be associated with a company with such strong service traditions," they said.

According to the letter of intent, Rochester Tel will exchange shares of its common stock for all the outstanding stock of DePue. No purchase price was disclosed.

The purchase is subject to the approval of certain regulatory agencies. When all pending transactions are completed, Rochester Tel and its 33 telephone companies will serve more than 680,000 access lines in 14 states, with nearly 18,000 in Illinois.

Rochester Telephone's principal operating territory is a six-county area in Western-Central New York. It also owns three unregulated subsidiaries: RCI Long Distance, a regional interexchange carrier; Rotelcom Network Systems, which provides competitive telecommunications equipment and services; and Rochester Tel Mobile Communications, which manages its cellular interests.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Agency Rent-A-Car, Inc. (NASDAQ: AGNC), the nation's leading automobile insurance replacement company announced today that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to one million shares of its outstanding common stock. The purchases will be made from time to time through open market transactions.

Sam J. Frankino, chairman of the board, stated that this action was motivated by the current market price of the company's stock which, in the opinion of the board of directors, does not reflect the company's inherent value.

The common stock of Agency Rent-A-Car, Inc. is listed on the NASDAQ under the symbol AGNC. There are approximately twenty-six million three hundred thousand (26,300,000) shares outstanding as of Sept. 1, 1990.

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WEST CHESTER, PA. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph M. Segel, chairman of QVC Network Inc. (NASDAQ: QVCN) today stated that the televised-shopping company's sales trend is showing healthy growth, despite the softness in consumer demand reported by many conventional retailers.

"We believe that QVC is in a better position than traditional retailers to weather a recessionary environment," Segel said, "because during such periods

consumers are not only more interested in saving money, they also spend more time at home and more time watching television. The savings offered by QVC combined with the convenience of shopping at home while watching television should continue to serve QVC well, whether the economy is expanding or contracting."

Segel also reported, "Due to the massive task of assimilating CVN, a company that was nearly twice our size, this year has been a year of transition for QVC. Because the CVN consolidation temporarily disrupted viewership and took longer to wrapup than expected, net losses this year will continue through QVC's third quarter, which ends Oct. 31, 1990. We expect to return to profitability in the fourth quarter, but it is no longer likely that fourth-quarter profits will fully offset the first nine month's losses. Therefore, it now appears probable that we will show a net loss for the full fiscal year, ending January 31, 1991."

"Since there no longer is a 'reasonable certainty' of a full-year profit, it will be necessary to reverse the $14.9 million in tax benefits recorded in the first half. That accounting adjustment will increase the third quarter's net loss, but it should not change the total tax provision for the year. It is just a matter of allocating tax benefits and provisions to the quarters in accordance with accounting rules," Segel explained.

"Although the assimilation of CVN has been more difficult than originally anticipated, the job is now essentially completed and QVC's position has been greatly enhanced. Televised shopping is becoming the most dynamic direct-marketing retail force in the 1990's, and QVC now reaches over 37 million homes, more than double the number a year ago," Segel reported.

He also said that QVC has recently implemented several sales- building strategies, including the company's own charge card, an easy- pay plan and an order-anytime policy. In addition, the company is developing more marketing-relationships with well-known celebrities, sports stars and popular authors. For example, television personality Joan Rivers recently selected QVC as the exclusive television network authorized to present her new line of fashion jewelry, which will be premiered Sept. 29 on QVC.

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SANDUSKY, OHIO (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Cedar Fair Management Company, the managing general partner of Cedar Fair, L.P. (NYSE: FUN), have declared a 16 percent increase in the quarterly cash distribution from $0.3125 to $0.3625 per limited partner unit, payable Nov. 15 to holders of record Oct. 5. This distribution reflects an increase in the Partnership's annualized distribution rate to $1.45 per unit, compared with the $1.25 rate maintained

over the past four quarters. Cedar Fair, L.P. owns and operates two seasonal amusement/ theme parks: Cedar Point, located on Lake Erie between Cleveland and Toledo, and Valleyfair near Minneapolis/St. Paul.

Richard L. Kinzel, president and chief executive officer, explained that although the Partnership's two parks will be open for two more weekends and attendance figures are not available for the full season, both parks rebounded strongly from the wet spring weather which adversely impacted second quarter results. "We are confident that our net income and operating cash flow for 1990 will exceed last year's record levels, and on that basis, the board determined that the increase in cash distributions was appropriate," Kinzel said.

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COSTA MESA, CALIF. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Automotive Corp. (NASDAQ: PKRA) announced today that it has completed the first stage of a two million dollar private placement in which Cruttenden & Company of Newport Beach, Calif., served as adviser to the company.

The first half of the offering was oversubscribed by more than 100 percent, resulting in proceeds to the company of $1,871,533 after fees and commissions. This is the company's first private placement subscribed completely by institutional investors.

Robert A. London, senior vice president for Cruttenden & Co. said, "Parker's CarbonClean products have generated a lot of excitement in the investment community. What the company has accomplished in the past year -- establishing the product and a quality distribution network worldwide -- is remarkable. The environmental impact of CarbonClean and its timeliness leads us to conclude that Parker Automotive is on the verge of becoming a company of great substance."

CarbonClean is a patented product that cleans harmful pollutants from the fuel systems of internal combustion engines. As a result of the cleaning, exhaust emissions are dramatically reduced, fuel economy is improved and overall engine performance is restored.

"Our company will use this money, and the balance of the placement, to finance its continuing growth," stated Michael E. Parker, chief executive officer of Parker Automotive. "This placement is part of a long-term plan to provide the company with the financing and professional management necessary to enable it to reach what we see as its unlimited potential," continued Parker.

Parker Automotive Corp. is headquartered in Costa Mesa. Manufacturing

facilities are in Fountain Valley, Calif., and sales offices are maintained worldwide. The company's CarbonClean product family is currently distributed in more than 50 nations, and has been approved by numerous auto makers, petroleum companies, independent testing agencies and more.

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FOSTER CITY, CALIF. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Gilead Sciences announced today that Etienne Davignon has joined its board of directors.

Davignon is a European leader in business and government, having served as the European Community's Commissioner for Industry and International markets (1977-81) and as the European Community's Vice President for Research, Industry and Energy Policies (1981-84). Over the past decade, he has been a major contributor to the EC's economic unification plan. Davignon, 57 years old, is chairman of Societe Generale de Belgique, one of the largest diversified companies in Europe. He resides in Brussels.

Davignon joins four other directors on Gilead's board: DuBose Montgomery, managing director of Menlo Ventures; Donald Rumsfeld, former Chairman of G.D. Searle and former U.S. Secretary of Defense; Benno Schmidt, managing partner of J.H. Whitney & Co.; and Mict;el Riordan, president and CEO of Gilead Sciences.

"We are delighted to have such a distinguished European leader and talented businessman as a director; Gilead Sciences will benefit greatly from his insights into business strategy, finance and corporate development activities " said Michael Riordan, Gilead's president and CEO.

Donald Rumsfeld, a director of Gilead, commented, "Mr. Davignon's extensive experience in both industry and government will be invaluable as Gilead Sciences expands its activities in a rapidly changing Europe."

Davignon stated, "I greatly appreciate the opportunity to be associated with this new approach to the future of pharmaceutical development."

Gilead Sciences, founded in 1987, is an emerging pharmaceutical company using new genetic code blocking techniques to develop therapeutics against life threatening diseases, such as viral infections and cancer, whose molecular genetics are being elucidated by rapid advances in molecular biology.

CONTACT: Michael Riordan, CEO and president, or Norma Hayes, both of Gilead Sciences, 415-574-3000, or Lisa Burns of Burns McClellan, 212-505-1919, for Gilead Sciences

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OCALA, FLA. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Warren Kaplan, president of Action Products International Inc. (NASDAQ: APII) of Ocala, Fla., reported today that August sales increased by 16 percent over last year. Sales for the eight months ending Aug. 31 were up 22 percent over the previous year. this was the eleventh month of increased sales. The company is a major manufacturer and importer/exporter of space, dinosaur, animal and aquarium gift items specializing in the museum and corporate specialty market and the manufacturer of Astronaut food products.

PERIOD ENDING	1990	1989	PERCENT GAIN
Eight months, 8/31	$2,933,616	$2,396,531	+15.86
One month, 8/31	385,070	332,369	+22.41

Kaplan said, "We completed the sale of The Learning Source, our retail mail order division. This will allow management to concentrate on expanding our wholesale business. Sales in our toy division are up in excess of 100 percent this year and we expect gains of 100 percent again next year. With the additional capacity of our screen printing operations, we expect those sales to rise in excess of 100 percent next year.

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OCALA, FLA. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Microdyne Corporation (NASDAQ: MCDY) announced today that its board of directors has authorized management to make discretionary repurchases of up to 200,000 shares of its common stock, or about 4.8 percent of the 4,181,460 shares outstanding.

Such purchases would be made with corporate funds from time to time in the open market or otherwise at such prices as the company considers advisable and in compliance with SEC regulations. Shares purchased would be held as treasury shares to be used for general corporate purchases.

Microdyne Corporation is a leading engineering and manufacturing company serving the aerospace, telemetry, satellite communications, systems design and integration, and the PC workstation markets.

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DEERFIELD, ILL. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Baxter International Inc.'s board of directors yesterday voted to redeem on Nov. 25, 1990, the company's cumulative convertible exchangeable preferred stock (NYSE: BAXPRB) for $52.27 a share. The company has outstanding 10,795,239 shares of the stock, each of which is convertible to 2.976 shares of the company's common stock. First Chicago Trust Company of New York is the transfer and conversion agent for the cumulative convertible exchangeable preferred stock.

Also, the board promoted two corporate vice presidents and officers, Thomas W. Hodson and Terrence J. Mulligan, to senior vice president.

Hodson, 43, is responsible for corporate planning, business development and communications. He joined the company in 1974 and has held positions in the financial area and alternate-site operations.

Mulligan, 45, is responsible for corporate sales and marketing. He joined the company in 1970 and has held a number of sales and marketing positions. Baxter International Inc. is the leading international manufacturer and marketer of health-care products, systems and services. It offers 120,000 products to health-care providers in 100 countries. The company had 1989 revenues of $7.4 billion.

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NEW YORK, (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Topps Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: TOPPC) today reported that net sales for the first half increased to $157,435,000 as compared with $118,733,000 for the same period last year. Net income increased to $28,170,000, or $.60 per share, from last year's $18,567,000, or $.40 per share.

For the second quarter, net sales increased to $71,193,000 as compared with $55,946,000 for the same period last year. Net income increased to $14,230,000, or $.30 per share, from last year's $10,034,000, or $.21 per share.

Arthur T. Shorin, chairman, stated that second quarter results reflect a significant increase in sales of entertainment picture cards featuring "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles", "New Kids on the Block" and "Dick Tracy" as well as solid growth in all other segments of the business -- sports picture cards, gum and candy. He added that second quarter sales include about $6,000,000 in complete sets of sports cards which the company shipped earlier this year than last in order to accommodate retailer requests.

During the first half the company repaid $30,000,000 of its long- term debt, reducing its indebtedness to $55,000,000 as of Sept. 1, 1990.

Topps is well known for its collectible picture products, which feature sports and other entertainment themes, and its internationally registered trademark, BAZOOKA.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS
(Amounts in Thousands, Except Share Data)
(Unaudited)

	First Half		Second Quarter	
Period ended:	9/1/90	8/26/89	9/1/90	8/26/89
Net sales	$157,435	$118,733	$71,193	$55,946
Income before taxes	48,543	32,065	24,509	17,368
Taxes on income	20,373	13,498	10,279	7,334
Net income	28,170	18,567	14,230	10,034
(A) Earnings per share	$.60	$.40	$.30	$.21
(A) Weighted average shares outstanding	47,015,910	46,984,327	47,020,948	46,987,540

(A) After giving effect to the three-for-two stock split to holders of record on July 9, 1990, distributed on Aug. 1, 1990.

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PARSIPPANY, NJ (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE- General Public Utilities Corp. (NYSE: GPU) announced that net income for the month of August 1990 was $38.4 million, or 69 cents per share, compared with net income of $34.3 million, or 62 cents per share, in August 1989.

Net income for the eight-month period ending Aug. 31, 1990, was $201.3 million or $3.63 per share, compared with net income of $201.7 million, or $3.55 per share, for the comparable 1989 period.

Net income for the 12-month period ending Aug. 31, 1990, was $282.1 million, or $5.09 per share, compared with net income of $254.3 million, or $4.48 per share, for the comparable 12-month period ending in 1989.

GENERAL PUBLIC UTILITIES CORP.

One month ended Aug. 31 (Unaudited)	1990	1989
Sales of electricity (gigawatt-hours)	3,407	3,216
Total revenues (000)	$278,697	$256,854
Revenues other than those related to energy costs (000)	207,186	195,908
Energy cost revenues (000)	71,511	60,946
Net income (000) (A)	38,429	34,305
Earnings per average share (A)	$.69	$.62

Average common shares outstanding (000)	55,387	55,840
Eight months ended Aug. 31 (Unaudited)	1990	1989
Sales of electricity (gigawatt-hours)	25,918	25,868
Total revenues (000)	$2,000,600	$1,950,929
Revenues other than those related to energy costs (000)	$1,490,001	1,468,207
Energy cost revenues (000)	510,599	482,722
Net income (000) (A)	201,282	201,692
Earnings per average share (A)	$3.63	$3.55
Average common shares outstanding (000)	55,379	56,880
12 months ended Aug. 31 (Unaudited)	1990	1989
Sales of electricity (gigawatt-hours)	38,562	38,317
Total revenues (000)	$2,960,869	$2,868,939
Revenues other than those related to energy costs (000)	2,214,319	2,160,641
Energy cost revenues (000)	746,550	708,298
Net income (000) (A)	282,053	254,343
Earnings per average share (A)	$5.09	$4.48
Average common shares outstanding (000)	55,382	57,354

(A) 1989 amounts reflect restatement for the effects of a change in accounting principle concerning incremental nuclear outage maintenance costs.

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ANNAPOLIS, MD (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - UNC Incorporated (NYSE: UNC) announced today that its subsidiary, UNC Support Services, has recently been awarded three separate contracts that total approximately $183 million in work for the next 15 years.

The company said that one contract was awarded by the U.S. Navy while the other two contracts were for work for the U.S. Air Force.

UNC Support Services was again awarded the contract for the on-site support and maintenance of the U.S. Navy's fleet of 140 TH-57 helicopters and equipment. The work will be performed for the chief of naval air training at the Naval Air Station, Whiting Field, Milton, Fla., through September 1994. UNC Support Services has held this contract since October 1985.

The contract was awarded for a maximum of $28.6 million in the first year, and will be worth an average of $28.2 million annually in the following three years. Total employment on the contract is 240 people.

UNC Support Services was also recently awarded a five-year, $7 million simulator instructor training contract by the U.S. Air Force beginning Oct. 1,

1990. Work on the contract will be performed at the 64th Flying Training Wing Reese Air Force Base, Lubbock, Texas. The award was for one year with four one-year options, and is valued at $1.3 million per year.

Under the terms of the contract, UNC Support Services will conduct basic and advanced T-37 and T-38 aircraft simulator instruction at Reese AFB. Total employment for the contract will be approximately 40 instructors.

In addition, UNC Support Services has begun functioning as part of a team of companies assembled by Loral Defense Systems of Akron, Ohio, on a 15-year U.S. Air Force contract awarded to Loral for work on the Special Operations Forces Aircrew Training System (SOF ATS) program. UNC said that revenues for Support Services over the life of the contract will be approximately $65 million.

UNC Incorporated, listed on the New York Stock Exchange, is engaged in overhauling aircraft engines and aircraft components; manufacturing and repairing jet engine parts; and providing other services to the nation's aviation industry.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - American Health Services Corp. (NASDAQ: AHTS), the nation's largest operator of hospital affiliated, fixed-site MRI diagnostic imaging centers, announced today the opening of five new centers in affiliation with hospitals in Alabama, Illinois, Indiana and Utah.

The centers, each providing state-of-the-art magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) technology, opened on the campuses of the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB), Holy Cross Hospital-Chicago, Lakeshore Health System in East Chicago, Ind., Deaconess Hospital in Evansville, Ind. and Holy Cross Hospital-Salt Lake City, Utah.

"This now brings to 35 the number of centers operated by American Health Services, with plans for at least 40 centers to be in operation by the end of this year," commented E. Larry Atkins, president and chief executive officer of American Health.

"In this regard, we are pleased to announce the completion of agreements to establish three additional centers which are expected to open during the fourth quarter of 1990," he added.

The new centers are associated with HealthSouth Medical Center in Birmingham, San Jose Medical Center in San Jose, Calif., and a physician practice

associated with Newark Beth Israel Medical Center in Newark, N.J. "Each of these centers will provide state-of-the-art magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) technology as well," added Atkins.

MRI is an advanced, non-invasive diagnostic technology that employs magnetic and radio frequency energy to produce two-dimensional, cross sectional images within the human body. Because the technique reveals both chemical and structural information, it is considered one of the most useful of any imaging technology currently available.

American Health Services Corp., the largest operator of hospital- affiliated, fixed-site MRI diagnostic imaging centers in the nation, also develops and operates centers affiliated with HMOs, multi-specialty clinics and physician group practices. The company currently has 35 centers in operation in 13 states and Puerto Rico.

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NAPERVILLE, ILL. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FMBI), today announced that one of its subsidiaries, First Midwest Insurance Co., has commenced a program of purchasing on the open market shares of the common stock of First Midwest Bancorp.

First Midwest Insurance, an Arizona reinsurance company, will be purchasing from time to time over the next approximate ten days approximately 10,000 shares of the common stock of its parent, this being the maximum number of shares allowable under Arizona regulations defining investments of this type.

The purchase program has been initiated because of the very attractive investment that First Midwest Bancorp's stock is believed by management to represent. The purchased shares, thusly, will be held for investment by the subsidiary and not used by the parent to fund stock related programs.

With total assets of approximately $2.3 billion, First Midwest Bancorp, Inc., is one of Illinois' largest bank holding companies, operating 36 banking and five trust offices in northern Illinois.

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PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas H. O'Brien, chairman, president and chief executive officer of PNC Financial Corp (NYSE: PNC), today announced

the appointment of Eva T. Blum to the newly created position of senior vice president and chief compliance counsel.

Blum will be responsible for a broad range of compliance programs that involve the Bank Secrecy Act, the Community Reinvestment Act and other laws and regulations governing equal opportunity employment, insider trading and securities, personnel and consumer matters.

"We are very pleased to have Eva Blum directing this initiative," O'Brien said. "Her extensive background, including numerous assignments in community reinvestment and employment law coordination, will be invaluable to us in these critical areas."

Blum, 41, joined Pittsburgh National Bank in 1977 as a resident attorney. She advanced in 1980 to assistant vice president and resident attorney. She became vice president, employment law, in 1982 and moved to PNC in that capacity in 1986.

Blum began her career with the U.S. Department of Commerce in the office of chief counsel, Economic Development Administration. She later served in the legal department of Allegheny Airlines prior to joining PNC.

She earned her bachelor of arts degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 1970 and her law degree there in 1973.

PNC Financial Corp, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is the nation's 15th-largest bank holding company with assets of $47.8 billion. PNC was formed in 1983 with the consolidation of Pittsburgh National Corp., Pittsburgh, and Provident National Corp., Philadelphia. Its principal banking affiliates include: Bank of Delaware Corp., Wilmington, Del.; The Central Bancorporation Inc., Cincinnati (includes banks in Ohio and Kentucky); Citizens Fidelity Corp., Louisville, Ky. (includes banks in Kentucky and Indiana); The First Bank and Trust Co., Mechanicsburg, Pa.; The Hershey Bank, Hershey, Pa.; Marine Bank, Erie, Pa.; Northeastern Bank of Pennsylvania, Scranton, Pa.; Pittsburgh National Bank, Pittsburgh; Provident National Bank, Philadelphia; PNC National Bank, Wilmington, Del.; and PNC National Bank of New Jersey, Cherry Hill, N.J. PNC currently operates 530 community banking offices in Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, Delaware and New Jersey. It also conducts business through additional offices in 15 states and seven foreign countries.

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PORTER, IND. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Canonie Environmental Services Corp. (NASDAQ: CANO) announces the appointment of Paul T. Kaufmann as vice

president. He will assume responsibility for the firm's west coast operations.

Prior to joining Canonie, Kaufmann served as executive vice president of OHM Corporation. He has previously held executive level positions at Thortec Corporation, International Technology Corporation, and Louisiana Pacific Corporation.

Kaufman received his MBA from Stanford University and his BS in engineering from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. He currently resides in the San Francisco Bay area.

Kaufmann succeeds Thomas A. Donovan, who was promoted to president and chief executive officer on March 1, 1990.

Canonie Environmental Services Corp. provides comprehensive services throughout the United States for remediation of sites contaminated by hazardous materials. The firm provides its clients with a complete range of services, including assessing the regulatory, technical, and construction aspects of the problem; developing a strategic plan to solve the problem; and performing the necessary remediation and operation activities. Canonie Environmental Services Corp. is one of the few companies capable of providing such a broad range of services. The company has performed work at more than 100 project sites nationwide, including the management and control of remediation activities at various Superfund sites.

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INDIANAPOLIS (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - J.R. Kocher, chairman and CEO of Railroadmen's Federal Savings and Loan Association of Indianapolis, and Wilbur V. Wolske, president and CEO of Archer Federal Savings and Loan Association, headquartered in Chicago, announced today that the two institutions have determined to adopt a merger conversion plan. The merger conversion plan would be a part of an agreement to convert Archer Federal to a stock chartered thrift and merge it with Railroadmen's.

"We would be very pleased to have Archer Federal Savings and Loan Association, which is a financially sound, well-managed institution join forces with Railroadmen's," said Kocher. "A merger with Archer is consistent with Railroadmen's corporate strategy for growth in our retail distribution system. This merger represents an opportunity for us to extend our presence into the strong Chicago market," Wolske said. "The resources of Railroadmen's Federal Savings and Loan Association of Indianapolis would mean expanded services available to the residents of our area."

During the multi-step merger conversion process, Archer Federal Savings and Loan Association, currently a federally-chartered mutual institution, will become a stock institution and merge with Railroadmen's, with the concurrent issuance of additional shares of Railroadmen's Common Stock. This process requires the review and approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision as well as the members of Archer Federal.

At June 30, 1990, Archer Federal had $59 million in assets, net worth of $7.6 million and two offices serving the Chicago area.

Railroadmen's has twelve offices located in the greater Indianapolis area and at June 30, 1990 had $439 million of assets and $15.7 million in stockholder's equity. Both institutions exceed applicable regulatory capital requirements.

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TROY, MICH. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Acustar, the wholly owned component subsidiary of Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C), today announced it will expand its Evart (Mich.) Products operation, adding about 150 hourly and salary employees.

An existing 50,000-square-foot building located on Lauman Road in Evart, approximately one mile west of the main Evart Products Plant, will be expanded to 230,000 square feet to facilitate the production of automotive glass.

Acustar will expend about $30 million on the expansion, including equipment at the Evart glass plant. Site preparation work has begun and construction is scheduled to begin next month. The Evart glass plant is scheduled to be operational by late summer of 1991.

Acustar successfully bid on automotive glass for future Chrysler products such as the "ZJ," "LH" and "JJ" models. The laminated windshields for the "ZJ" and "JJ" products will be produced at Acustar's McGraw Glass Plant in Detroit. Tempered side glass for all three future products will be produced at Evart.

The company's McGraw Glass Plant will continue to produce the majority of Chrysler's laminated and tempered automotive glass. McGraw is in the final stages of a $100 million modernization and expansion.

Acustar said the new Evart operation will augment its McGraw facility, the latter already operating at more than 100 percent of its capacity.

The glass plant will be the second Acustar manufacturing facility located in

Evart. The main Evart Products Plant produces plastic- injected molded components and currently employs about 700 people.

The 450,000-square-foot Evart Products plant, which was built in 1957, became a part of Acustar as a result of Chrysler Corporation's acquisition of American Motors in 1987.

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PRINCETON, N.J. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Cytogen Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTO) announced today the appointment of Tasuku Honjo, M.D., Ph.D., to its Scientific Advisory Board.

Dr. Honjo is a professor in the Department of Medical Chemistry at the Kyoto University Faculty of Medicine. He is also the director of the university's Center for Molecular Biology and Genetics.

A pioneer in the study of the genetic organization of the immune system, Dr. Honjo has authored more than 100 articles in the field and has received numerous awards. He is perhaps best known for his work on the structure and organization of immunoglobulin genes. Recently he was the recipient of the Takeda Medical Award and was appointed as an honorary member of the American Association of Immunologists.

Dr. Honjo received his M.D. in 1966 and his Ph.D. in 1975 from Kyoto University. He completed fellowships at the Department of Embryology in the Carnegie Institution of Washington in Baltimore, and at the Laboratory of Molecular Genetics of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, NIH, in Bethesda, Md.

Cytogen Corp.'s Scientific Advisory Board is comprised of a group of distinguished research scientists and physicians who advise on matters concerning the company's development plans and product opportunities.

Members include Lewis Thomas, M.D., president emeritus, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, and university professor, State University of New York at Stony Brook; Leonard Jarett, M.D., professor and chairman, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, University of Pennsylvania; Fred Karush, Ph.D., professor, Department of Microbiology, University of Pennsylvania; Peter Nowell, M.D., professor, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, University of Pennsylvania; Jack L. Strominger, M.D., professor of biochemistry, Harvard University; and Peter A. Ward, M.D., professor and chairman of the Department of Pathology, University of Michigan Medical School.

Cytogen Corp. is a biopharmaceutical company which has developed proprietary systems for linking drugs and diagnostic agents to monoclonal antibodies in order to optimize the function of the antibody as a delivery vehicle. With major emphasis on human cancer, current product development efforts at Cytogen are focused on improved cancer diagnostic imaging agents and the targeted delivery of cancer therapeutic agents directly to tumor sites.

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PRINCETON, NJ (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Cytogen Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTO) announced today the appointment of Tasuku Honjo, M.D., Ph.D., to its Scientific Advisory Board.

Dr. Honjo is a professor in the Department of Medical Chemistry at the Kyoto University Faculty of Medicine. He is also the director of the university's Center for Molecular Biology and Genetics.

A pioneer in the study of the genetic organization of the immune system, Dr. Honjo has authored more than 100 articles in the field and has received numerous awards. He is perhaps best known for his work on the structure and organization of immunoglobulin genes. Recently he was the recipient of the Takeda Medical Award and was appointed as an honorary member of the American Association of Immunologists.

Dr. Honjo received his M.D. in 1966 and his Ph.D. in 1975 from Kyoto University. He completed fellowships at the Department of Embryology in the Carnegie Institution of Washington in Baltimore, and at the Laboratory of Molecular Genetics of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, NIH, in Bethesda, Md.

Cytogen Corp.'s Scientific Advisory Board is comprised of a group of distinguished research scientists and physicians who advise on matters concerning the company's development plans and product opportunities.

Members include Lewis Thomas, M.D., president emeritus, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, and university professor, State University of New York at Stony Brook; Leonard Jarett, M.D., professor and chairman, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, University of Pennsylvania; Fred Karush, Ph.D., professor, Department of Microbiology, University of Pennsylvania; Peter Nowell, M.D., professor, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, University of Pennsylvania; Jack L. Strominger, M.D., professor of biochemistry, Harvard University; and Peter A. Ward, M.D., professor and chairman of the Department of Pathology, University of Michigan Medical School.

Cytogen Corp. is a biopharmaceutical company GENERAL PURPOSE PASS-ALL UP AND RUNNING drugs and diagnostic agents to monoclonal antibodies in order to optimize the function of the antibody as a delivery vehicle. With major emphasis on human cancer, current product development efforts at Cytogen are focused on improved cancer diagnostic imaging agents and the targeted delivery of cancer therapeutic agents directly to tumor sites.

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#90261p5482 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that the initial public offering of Pamida Holdings Corporation of Omaha, Neb., began trading its common shares today. Pamida Holdings is a discount chain store company that owns and operates general merchandise discount department stores, under the Pamida name, in small communities in 12 Midwestern, North Central and Rocky Mountain states.

Trading under ticker symbol PAM, the common stock opened on 9,000 shares at 5.

Through its Pamida, Inc. subsidiary, Pamida Holdings owns and operates 173 Pamida stores, almost half of which are in Iowa and Minnesota, that provide one-stop family shopping for a variety of national brand name and other general merchandise.

"Pamida" stores carry merchandise including men's, women's and children's apparel, footwear and accessories; linens, curtains and other domestics; health and beauty aids; housewares; cleaning supplies; hardware; paint; home furnishings; stationery; automotive accessories; small appliances and electronic items; sporting goods; toys; lawn and garden supplies; and some food and candy items.

Pamida Holdings reported unaudited net income of $1,786,000, or $.23 per share on revenues of $309,882,000 for the six months ended July 29, 1990, compared with net income of $1,272,000, or $.13 per share, on revenues of $286,701,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

CONTACT: Lisa Kravitz of American Stock Exchange, 212-306-1632

-30- 1652

#90261p5487 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Madison National Bank of Virginia, a subsidiary of the Washington-based bank holding company James Madison Limited, announced the election of Richard K. Devaney to the position of vice president, real estate lending officer.

In this position, Devaney will assume responsibility for all aspects of the bank's real estate portfolio as well as other areas of commercial lending.

Devaney served from 1988 to the present as second vice president and commercial loan officer in the Washington regional marketing office of Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A. Prior to joining Chase Manhattan Bank in 1988, Devaney worked for American Security Bank, N.A., serving from 1985. Previously, Devaney had worked for McLachlen National Bank, N.A in Washington.

Devaney received his bachelor of arts degree in 1983 in economics and business administration from Belmont Abbey College in Belmont, N.C.

In addition to Madison National Bank of Virginia, the James Madison Limited financial family of banking subsidiaries includes: Madison National Bank located in Washington, Madison Bank of Maryland and United National Bank of Washington. Non-bank subsidiaries include: James Madison Mortgage Company, James Madison Financial Corporation and JML Systems Management, Inc. James Madison Limited's Class A Common Stock is listed on the American Stock Exchange (JML) and its Common Stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System (JMLC).

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#90261p5489 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MICH. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of The Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) today declared a quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share of common stock, payable Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 8, 1990.

The Upjohn Company is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care products, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

CONTACT: J.P. Lambrechts of The Upjohn Company, 616-323-7076

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#90261p5491 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corporation announced today that Michael J. Campbell has been appointed managing director in charge of its retail Investment Services Group. Campbell, 45, will be responsible for 145 account executives in seven domestic branch offices. The Investment Services Group markets DLJ's research and trading services to high-net worth individual investors and regional

institutions. He succeeds Richard Kaufman, who died in August.

Campbell joined DLJ in 1977 as an account executive and later was in charge of marketing of syndicate products to regional institutions. In 1987 he was named senior vice president and manager of DLJ's New York regional sales office.

A graduate of Adelphi University, Campbell holds a B.A. degree in economics and earned an MBA in finance from New York University. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1965 to 1968 and achieved the rank of captain. For the past seven years Campbell has served on the Hearing Board of the New York Stock Exchange as an industry member.

Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette, founded in 1959, is one of the nation's leading investment banks and institutional brokers and is recognized particularly for the quality of its investment research. The firm serves individual investors with large portfolios and regional institutions through the seven-branch network of its Investment Services Group. The branches are in New York, Boston, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami and San Francisco.

CONTACT: Catherine M. Conroy, vice president of Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette 212-504-3275

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#90261p5493 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTVALE, N.J. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Federal Paper Board Company, Inc. (NYSE: FBO), today announced its regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock. The common stock dividend is payable Oct. 15, 1990, to holders of record Sept. 30, 1990.

The board also declared the quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share on the $1.20 convertible preferred stock. The preferred dividend is payable Dec. 15 1990, to holders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Quentin J. Kennedy, executive vice president of Federal Paper Board Company, 201-391-1776

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#90261p5495 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of RAC Mortgage Investment Corporation (NYSE: RMR) today announced a third quarter dividend of $0.20 per share, an increase of $0.05 per share over the previous quarter's dividend. The third quarter dividend will be paid on Oct. 10, 1990, to holders of record on Sept. 28, 1990. The ex-dividend trade date is Sept. 24, 1990.

This dividend increase reflects the company's improved earnings outlook for the first three quarters of the year. Based on current market conditions, RAC Mortgage expects its earnings to continue at these improved levels for the remainder of 1990.

RAC Mortgage Investment Corporation is a publicly traded real estate investment trust. The company is managed by Ryland Acceptance Corporation, an indirect subsidiary of The Ryland Group, Inc.

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#90261p5496 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODBURY, N.Y. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Comverse Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: CMVT) announced that Yedioth Ahronoth Ltd., the largest newspaper publisher in Israel, acquired a 26 percent equity interest in one of Comverse's Israeli subsidiaries, Telemeser Ltd.

Telemeser operates messaging service bureaus in Israel using Comverse's Trilogue message management systems. The service bureaus provide a variety of voice messaging and information retrieval services to public customers, including message-taking for cellular telephone subscribers, businesses and individuals, automated audio information retrieval (audiotex) services for government and private organizations, and telemarketing advertiser follow-up and direct voice response services.

Kobi Alexander, president and chairman of the board of Comverse, stated that "the investment by Yedioth Ahronoth in Telemeser is expected to enhance the visibility of the Telemeser services and to provide a variety of opportunities for joint marketing and creation of new service offerings. The operations of Telemeser are important to Comverse, both as an independent business and also for the opportunity it provides Comverse for hands-on experience in the provision of public messaging services and the testing of new product features in an operating environment."

Comverse Technology, located in Woodbury, N.Y., develops, manufactures and markets high performance computer systems for commercial and defense communications applications, including integrated multi-media message management systems marketed under the name of Trilogue.

CONTACT: Kobi Alexander or David Chuchinsky of Comverse Technology, 516-921-0470

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#90261p5498 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD, IL (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The NutraSweet Co. today announced an agreement with Mrs. Fields Inc. to offer its Desserve(R) line of products in selected Mrs. Fields Bakery Cafes in the Chicago and San Francisco areas on a test market basis.

The Desserve line includes great-tasting desserts with less sugar, less fat and as much as 50 percent fewer calories than their traditional counterparts. The products, developed by The NutraSweet Co., have been available through Desserve Cafes operated by the company in the Chicago area for nearly two years.

Debbi Fields, president and chief executive officer of Mrs. Fields Inc., the world's largest retailer of cookies and specialty bakery products, said she is very excited about the opportunity to work with NutraSweet on a test basis to market NutraSweet's high-quality, low-fat products.

Mrs. Fields Bakery Cafes are an outgrowth of the company's cookie stores, offering fresh baked goods, breads and deli sandwiches along with the cookies that launched the gourmet cookie market. Currently, there are a total of 20 Mrs. Fields Bakery Cafes throughout the United States.

The Desserve products to be offered in Mrs. Fields Bakery Cafes include frozen yogurt, cheesecakes, pies and cobblers, as well as specialty deli salads and sandwiches -- each with a unique product benefit. Consumers in the Chicago area can look for the new Mrs. Fields Bakery Cafes featuring Desserve products later this year. The San Francisco locations are slated to open in early 1991.

Desserve products are marketed by The NutraSweet Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of Monsanto Co. (NYSE: MTC). The NutraSweet Co. is headquartered in Deerfield.

Mrs. Fields Inc. began operations with a single cookie store in California in 1977. The company now operates more than 500 stores in 36 states and five foreign countries. The corporate headquarters are in Park City, Utah.

CONTACT: Kim Woodward of NutraSweet, 708-405-7697, or Peggy Barrett of Edelman Public Relations Worldwide, 312-280-7052

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#90261p5502 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) and Fleming Companies announced today that Fleming has been selected primary food supplier to the Super Kmart Center now under construction in Medina, Ohio.

The innovative new store will carry everything from fresh fish to flowers, fashions to footballs -- a broad assortment of merchandise to fill customer needs from the kitchen to the back yard. The Super Kmart Center, scheduled to

open in early spring 1991, will be supplied from Fleming's distribution center in Massillon and Kmart's in Warren, Ohio.

Fleming is the nation's largest wholesale food distributor, supplying more than 5,000 stores in 36 states and the Caribbean.

Kmart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,330 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse, Inc. and The Sports Authority.

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#90261p5503 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALO ALTO, CALIF. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntex Corp. (NYSE:SYN) said today that Syntex Animal Health, Inc., of West Des Moines, Iowa, has received approval from the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to market Synanthic(R) (oxfendazole) Bovine Dewormer Suspensions, 22.5 percent and 9.06 percent, to treat common internal parasites in cattle.

Synanthic is expected to be available from veterinarians and distributors in about three weeks.

Synanthic is an easily administered, broad spectrum anthelmintic (deworming agent) that has been used safely and effectively in many countries for the past 10 years. It works by controlling parasites in the gastrointestinal tract of ruminate (cud-chewing) animals, including cattle, sheep and horses. Synanthic was first introduced in Ireland in 1978.

In the United States, Synanthic is approved for marketing as an anthelmintic treatment for cattle. Another form of the compound, Benzelmin(R) (oxfendazole), was approved for marketing by the FDA in May 1979 as an anthelmintic for horses.

Compared to currently available products, Synanthic offers several advantages to livestock operators, who spend about $135 million annually on cattle anthelmintics.

One major advantage of Synanthic is its efficacy against both the developing and inhibited (dormant) forms of a prevalent, difficult-to-control cattle stomach worm called Ostertagia ostertagi. Cattle usually ingest this parasite and others when grazing.

While many currently available anthelmintics are effective against the

developing form of Ostertagia, they are ineffective against its inhibited form at standard dose rates. Synanthic, however, is safe and effective against both the developing and inhibited forms of Ostertagia -- and many other parasites -- at standard dose rates.

Syntex Animal Health, Inc. is the United States marketing organization of Syntex Agribusiness, Inc., the animal health unit of Syntex Corp. The corporation is an international health care company involved in the research, development, manufacture and marketing of human and animal pharmaceutical products and medical diagnostic systems.

CONTACT: Linda Thomas, 415-852-1321; or Nancy Peterson, 415-855-5567, both of Syntex

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#90261p5504 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

AGOURA HILLS, CALIF. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - New personnel changes were announced recently by J.D. Power and Associates, a California-based automotive marketing information company. They include:

John Rettie has been named editorial director, overseeing the company's three major publications: The Power Report, California Report, and Megazine. Rettie, who became editor of the newsletters in 1988, is a veteran of more than 20 years in automotive journalism. He previously was West Coast Editor for Ward's Communications.

Jack Feuer has joined J.D. Power and Associates as managing editor of the firm's three major publications: The Power Report, California Report, and Megazine. Feuer was associate editor of Adweek for more than six years, covering Los Angeles-based agencies. He also wrote a nationally read column for the publication.

Jamey Power has been named a senior project director. Power most recently was with Chevrolet Division of General Motors. Before that, he was an account executive with Foote, Cone and Belding.

Dan Canedo was named western regional training manager for the company's Acura Sales Awareness Program (ASAP). Canedo was previously sales manager for the Jack Gosch Dealer Group in Hemet, Calif.

Thad Malish has been named senior consultant, specializing in short-term light vehicle forecasts. Malish was formally an economist with American Cyanamid in Wayne, N.J.

Bob Greiner was made manager, management information systems. Before that, he held the same position with Schlumberger Industries.

Jim Burness has joined the company as advertising coordinator. He is a recent graduate of Colorado College, where he received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science.

William Ferree was named to coordinate all public relations activities. Feree was formally with GTE and United Airlines in the same capacity.

J.D. Power and Associates is a complete marketing information company for the automotive industry, based in Agoura Hills.

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#90261p5511 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON CENTER, OHIO (SEPT. 18) PRNEWSWIRE - Thor Industries, Inc. (NYSE: THO) announced today sales and net income for the 12 months and quarter ended July 31, 1990.

Sales for the 12 months were $163,410,000, up nearly $1 million from $162,495,000 last year. Net income for the 12 months was $3,377,000, up four percent from $3,259,000 last year. Earnings per share were $0.70, up eight percent from $0.65 last year.

Sales for the quarter were $43,044,000 versus $44,589,000 last year. Net income for the quarter was $1,011,000 up 25 percent from $806,000 last year. EPS in the quarter were 21 cents, up from 17 cents last year.

A quarterly cash dividend of three cents per share, payable on Oct. 10, 1990 to stockholders of record on Sept. 28, was also declared.

Thor Industries is a leading manufacturer of recreational vehicles in the U.S. and Canada and the largest builder of small and midsize transit buses.

THOR INDUSTRIES, INC.
STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED INCOME
In Thousands Except Per Share (Unaudited)

Period ended:	Three Months		Twelve Months	
July 31:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$43,044	$44,589	$163,410	$162,495
Net income	1,011	806	3,377	3,259
Earns. per common share	$.21	$.17	$.70	$.65
Avg. com. shares outstg.	4,798,620	5,048,550	4,838,842	5,048,550

CONTACT: Wade F.B. Thompson or Peter B. Orthwein, both of Thor Industries, 513-596-6849

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#90261p5528 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
WILMINGTON, Del. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) today said it will contribute $20,000 to the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) to co-sponsor a statewide beach cleanup on Saturday, Sept. 29.

Delaware's fourth annual "Get the Drift and Bag It" beach cleanup is part of DNREC's program to enlist public support to find solutions to the marine litter problem.

The grant will fund promotional and educational support for the cleanup. This is the second year Du Pont has co-sponsored the event.

Plastics collected from the cleanup will be separated from other trash and made into picnic tables or park benches, which will be donated to DNREC for placement throughout the state.

During the cleanup last September, about 2,000 volunteers collected more than 10,000 pounds of trash along beaches from Battery Park to Fenwick Island State Park. The 400 participating Du Pont employees and their families separated the plastics which the company had recycled into park benches that were presented to the state on Earth Day for Delaware parklands.

"Support of Delaware's beach cleanup is one of Du Pont's many commitments to enhancing our environment," said Edwin H. Clark II, DNREC secretary.

"This grant will increase public awareness of marine litter problems through the cleanup. We appreciate Du Pont's financial contribution to this effort," Clark said.

"The success of this partnership demonstrates the commitment of our employees and the citizens of Delaware to help rid our shoreline of litter," said Archie W. Dunham, group vice president - polymer products. "This leadership to find solutions to the solid waste problem can serve as a model for similar programs throughout the country."

For more information on how to help, call Nancy Rolli, state coordinator at 302-739-4506.

CONTACT: Nancy Rolli of DNREC, 302-739-4506, or Anne Wright of Du Pont, 302-773-2745

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#90261p5530 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
IONIA, MI (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Independent Bank Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: IBCP), the Ionia-based bank holding company, has

declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of $.11 per share on the corporation's common stock.

The dividend will be paid on Oct. 31, 1990, to the shareholders of record on Oct. 5, 1990. This will be the 62nd consecutive cash dividend paid by the corporation which commenced operations in 1974.

Independent Bank Corporation, with total assets of over $327 million, has three affiliate banks: Independent Bank, Ionia; Independent Bank - West Michigan, Rockford; and Independent Bank - South Michigan, Leslie. The three banks operate 26 offices serving 23 communities in western and central Michigan.

The corporation's common stock is traded in the over-the-counter market and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol IBCP.

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#90261p5533 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Kingfisher plc today announced its results for the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990.

B&Q -- In a depressed market, B&Q has exploited seasonal opportunities and controlled costs to produce an excellent result for the first half. Sales increased by 11.7 percent to 473 million pounds. Retail space increased to 10.7 million square feet as a result of 12 new stores (including three relocations). The move to central distribution is progressing to plan.

Comet -- In an extremely challenging market, Comet achieved a creditable trading performance. Sales increased by 10.2 percent to 212 million pounds. Comet increased market share again, supported by good growth in brown goods.

Superdrug performed very well in the first half, reporting retail profits up 19 percent on last year. Sales increased by 23.6 percent to 249 million pounds. It is now more than three years since Superdrug was acquired by Kingfisher and since then the number of stores has more than doubled to 649.

Woolworths achieved a strong sales performance, increasing sales by 10.1 percent to 443 million pounds on 2 percent less footage. This, together with tight cost control, enabled Woolworths virtually to break even in the first half, for the first time in recent history. All of Woolworths' core business units achieved growing or stable market shares in the period.

Chartwell Land's performance has been restrained by the serious recession in the retail property market. This is clearly not a short- term market downturn and earnings from this sector are likely to be subdued for some time.

However, the exposure to unlet or unfunded property development has been tightly controlled over the last year. The company expects the recession to provide opportunities for property companies with the strength of Chartwell Land to position themselves strongly for the upturn when it comes.

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#90261p5535 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (MCI) (NASDAQ: MCIC) and Unitel Communications Inc., today announced the first real-time interconnection of Canadian and United States facsimile services. The international facsimile service offers higher quality and lower prices than conventional International Direct Distance Dialing (IDDD) calls.

The service is available today throughout Canada to subscribers of Unitel's FacsRoute service and throughout the United States to customers of MCI fax. MCI and Unitel bring the benefits of advanced technology, experience in product development and reputations for quality customer service to long distance facsimile messaging. The interconnection brings a whole new concept to international facsimile transmissions -- a service, a pricing structure, and customer support dedicated exclusively to facsimile.

MCI fax offers a variety of options and features including ID codes, accounting codes, store and forward services, and call detail reports to simplify tracking costs. The MCI fax Business Center provides dedicated customer service for facsimile needs.

FacsRoute is Unitel's innovative facsimile service designed to meet customer needs for high quality and cost-effective facsimile services. Launched in late 1988, FacsRoute is available in 60 cities across Canada from Victoria, B.C.to Halifax, Nova Scotia. FacsRoute is also supported by a dedicated facsimile customer service center.

Unitel is a national Canadian telecommunications facilities-based carrier with fiber-optic, digital microwave and radio networks. Backed by more than 1700 service professionals, Unitel offers a wide range of cost-effective solutions and sophisticated voice, data and message services across Canada, the United States and overseas.

MCI offers a full range of domestic and international communications services. International services include worldwide direct dialing, telex, facsimile, electronic mail, private voice and data networks, and television transmission. MCI's subsidiaries and representative offices in 50 countries are positioned to support the full range of global telecommunications services.

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#90261p5537 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST PALM BEACH, FL (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Jewelmasters, Inc. (AMEX: JEM) today reported results for the second fiscal quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter were $15,169,290 compared to $10,759,243 in the year-ago period. The net loss of $(626,681), or $(0.32) per share, compares to a net loss of $(864,685), or $(0.44) per share, last year.

For the 26 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990, Jewelmasters reported net sales of $24,713,843 compared to $24,974,094 in the year-ago period. The Company had a net loss of $(1,236,093), or $(0.63) per share, for the 26 weeks versus a net loss of $(994,655), or $(0.50) last year.

Jewelmasters' business is seasonal and the company typically generates the major part of its sales and earnings during the fourth quarter, which includes the Christmas selling season.

The increase in net sales for the second quarter resulted from the company's participation in going-out-of-business sales at the Bonwit Teller and Garfinckels department store chains and increased sales in one department in a store closed by J.W. Robinson. Comparable department sales, consisting of 53 departments, decreased four percent for the second quarter.

Cost of sales, including buying and occupancy expenses, as a percentage of net sales increased over the second quarter last year. This was primarily due to the high markdowns incurred for sales during the Bonwit Teller and Garfinckels going-out-of-business sales, and additional promotional efforts during the closing of the company's leased fine jewelry departments in the Woodward and Lothrop and John Wanamaker chains.

Josef Barr, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The loss for the quarter was larger than expected due to the higher level of markdowns taken to reduce inventory, especially in connection with the closing of the Woodward and Lothrop and Jon Wanamaker departments. This inventory reduction, plus the reductions achieved from the additional volume generated from the going-out-of-business sales at Bonwit Teller and Garfinckels, has allowed us to reduce inventory levels greater than expected. We are in a solid position now with inventories to match planned volume for the immediate future."

During the second quarter, Jewelmasters announced plans to open three fine jewelry stores in outlet malls operated by Western Development Company in Sawgrass Mills, outside of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Franklin Mills, outside of Philadelphia, and Potomac Mills, outside of Washington, D.C. The company is

making final arrangements to open a freestanding fine jewelry store in Pentagon City in Washington, D.C., comparable to the company's existing couture fine jewelry store (JEM) in Palm Beach, Fla.

Jewelmasters designs, manufactures and sells fine jewelry through leased departments in better department and specialty stores nationwide and in its JEM couture fine jewelry store in Palm Beach.

JEWELMASTERS, INC.
SUMMARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION
(UNAUDITED)

	Thirteen Weeks		Twenty-Six Weeks	
Period Ended	8/4/90	7/29/89	8/4/90	7/29/89
Net Sales	$15,169,290	$10,759,243	$24,713,843	$24,974,094
Net (Loss)	$ (626,681)	$ (864,685)	$(1,236,093)	$ (994,655)
Net (Loss) per share	$(0.32)	$(0.44)	$(0.63)	$(0.50)
Average Shares Outstanding	1,952,700	1,954,799	1,952,700	1,977,390

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#90261p5538 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan Am Express today announced a $50 unrestricted one-way fare between Miami and six other Florida destinations.

"By introducing low intra-Florida fares, we are hoping that many Floridians will be attracted to Pan Am Express and its quality services," said William R. Lange, president of Pan Am Express. "Furthermore, with the rising cost of gasoline, the price of air travel will be competitive with automobile travel," he added.

The $50 one-way fare is valid on flights between Miami and Key West, Fort Myers, Sarasota/Bradenton, Melbourne, Daytona Beach and West Palm Beach. For an additional $25 each way, passengers can fly between any of the above mentioned cities, through Miami. Pan Am Express offers several daily flights in each of its Florida markets.

The fare is in effect through Oct. 31, with all travel to be completed by that date. The fare is refundable and does not require advance purchase or a minimum or maximum stay.

Pan Am Express began serving Florida in May this year and is expected to announce further additions to its Florida schedule in the near future.

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#90261p5540 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Century Park Pictures Corporation (NASDAQ: CPPC), a developer, producer and marketer of motion picture, television and pay cable entertainment shows, said today its majority-owned subsidiary, Bietak Productions, Inc., has entered into an exclusive one year contract with the Ice Capades to provide America's No. 1 ice show with live costumed characters from the highly popular "The Simpsons(TM)" television show of Fox Broadcasting. The characters will be featured performers in their own special segment of the Ice Capades 1990-91 touring show, appearing throughout both the United States and Canada.

The show will include the entire Simpson family and follows in the Ice Capades tradition of showcasing popular cartoon or movie characters. Past Ice Capades shows have included The Smurfs, Peter Pan, The Flintstones, and most recently Mattel's Barbie and Nintendo's Super Mario Brothers.

Phil Rogers, president of Century Park Pictures, said the Ice Capades pact was another in a line of lucrative appearance agreements that Bietak has secured since it acquired the rights to create live costumed characters of the Fox Broadcasting hit prime time animated cartoon show earlier this year.

"Since we acquired the Simpson rights, the demand for appearances has been phenomenal," said Rogers. Rogers noted that the Simpson demand has had a highly favorable impact on the Century Park's recent operating results.

The company recently reported record earnings of $240,739, or $.09 per share, for the fiscal third period ended June 30, 1990. This compares to a loss of $127,719, or $.06 per share, for the comparable period a year ago. Revenues for the third quarter rose 97 percent to $1,126,242, compared to revenues of $571,292 a year ago.

Since first appearing in mid-January 1990, The Simpsons has emerged as a breakaway ratings success, catapulting into the Neilsen Rating Top 10 -- generally considered by industry experts to be an exceptional performance.

Century Park Pictures is a developer, producer and marketer of entertainment properties for the motion picture, television and pay cable industries. The company is a 65.2 percent owned subsidiary of Minneapolis-based International Broadcasting Corporation (NASDAQ: IBCA), owner of the Harlem Globetrotters, the Ice Capades, three regional amusement parks, the Ice Capades Chalets skating centers and Chanhassen Dinner Theatres.

CONTACT: Phil Rogers, president of Century Park Pictures, 213-467-4641

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#90261p5543 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Sono-Tek Corporation (NASDAQ: SOTK), manufacturer of ultrasonic spraying systems, announced today that recently it received an order of approximately $175,000 from a major plate glass manufacturer for a system to coat glass with an anti-stain agent. This is the fourth such Sono-Tek system to be placed into service by this manufacturer.

CONTACT: Sono-Tek corporate communications, 914-471-6090

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#90261p5544 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB Texas, Fort Worth, Texas, as trustee of the Permian Basin Royalty Trust (NYSE: PBT), today declared a cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of $.030350 per unit, payable Oct. 15, 1990, to unit holders of record on Sept. 28, 1990.

CONTACT: Joe B. Grissom, vice president and trust officer of NCNB Texas, 817-390-6905

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#90261p5545 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
LAFOX, Ill. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Richardson Electronics, Ltd. (NASDAQ: RELL) today announced sales and earnings for the first three months of fiscal 1991 ending Aug. 31, 1990.

Sales for the quarter were $36,349,000, compared with $36,570,000 one year ago. Net income for the quarter decreased to $105,000 from $1,961,000 for the same period in fiscal 1990. With 11,065,000 shares outstanding, earnings on a per share basis were $.01 compared with $.18 in the first quarter last year.

Edward J. Richardson, president and CEO, commented on the results. "Both revenues, and to a much greater extent earnings, continue to be severely impacted by the effects of the ongoing government investigation and proceedings against the company and its employees." Richardson further noted, "Our goal during this period of adversity is to maintain the high quality service and products that customers expect from Richardson Electronics. Once the investigation is concluded, we are certain the company will return to its normal levels of profitability and growth."

Richardson Electronics is an international distributor and manufacturer of electron tubes and power semiconductors with 20 offices worldwide.

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(In thousands except per share amounts)

Three Months Ended Aug. 31	1990	1989
Net sales	$36,349	$36,570
Cost of products sold	24,716	23,840
Gross profit	11,633	12,730
Selling, general and administrative expenses	9,288	9,036
Operating income	2,345	3,694
Net non-operating (exp.)	(2,180)	(644)
Income before taxes	165	3,050
Net income	$ 105	$ 1,961
Net income per share	$.01	$.18
Avg. no. of shares outstanding	11,065	11,145
Dividends per common share	$.04	$.04

CONTACT: Edward J. Richardson, president and CEO of Richardson Electronics, 708-208-2200

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#90261p5551 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that Mid-America Bancorp of Louisville, Ky., began trading 6,647,410 common shares today. Mid-America Bancorp is the bank holding company for Mid-America Bank of Louisville and Trust Company, the fourth largest Louisville bank in terms of total assets and deposits. The company previously traded in the over-the-counter market.

Trading under ticker symbol "MAB," the common stock opened on 100 shares at 13.

Mid-America Bancorp operates through its Bank of Louisville subsidiary, with assets of $890.4 million as of June 30, 1990. The bank provides a range of banking services for individual customers, as well as professional, commercial and industrial businesses in Jefferson County, Ky.

Bank of Louisville offers commercial, trust and personal banking services including checking, savings and time deposits; and real estate, construction, commercial, home improvement and consumer loans, through its main office in Louisville and 29 branch offices.

Mid-America Bancorp reported unaudited net income of $4,905,000, or $.74 per share, on interest income of $40,164,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1990, compared with net income of $5,588,000, or $.83 per share, on interest income of $37,452,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

CONTACT: Lisa Kravitz of the American Stock Exchange, 212-306-1632

-30- 1576
#90261p5552 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Transarc Corp. today announced the availability of its AFS(R) distributed file system for the NeXT(TM) platform.

With AFS, NeXT users running version 2.0 of NeXT's system software can access remote files as easily as local files.

AFS makes information sharing easy and efficient, both in local organizations and in wide-area configurations with tens of thousands of users. With AFS, all users share a common file space and refer to a given file by the same name. AFS expands and reconfigures gracefully, maintaining its high performance regardless of installation size or remote access.

With the addition of the NeXT port, AFS now supports most major UNIX(R) platforms. Using AFS, the NeXT computer will interoperate with hardware from IBM, Hewlett Packard, Digital Equipment Corp. and Sun Microsystems.

Transarc Corp. provides systems software for local- and wide-area networks of distributed computers. In addition to distributed file systems, the company develops products for distributed transaction processing. An announcement of Transarc's TP products is due later this year.

CONTACT: Philip L. Lehman, 412-338-4406, or Elaine M. Wolfe, 412-338-4448, in Pittsburgh, both of Transarc Corp.

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#90261p5555 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Avatar Corporation, a leading provider of IBM 3270 connectivity products for Apple Macintosh computers and PC printers, announces InSession 3270 for NeXT and the NeXT Programmer's Toolkit. The announcement was made at the NeXT Computer, Inc. new product introductions here at Davies Symphony Hall.

InSession 3270 for NeXT is an IBM 3270 terminal emulation hardware and software product that allows NeXT(tm) computers to communicate with IBM mainframes. InSession 3270 provides all NeXT computer users with the ability to easily access IBM host data while maintaining the functionality of the NeXT computer. Avatar's NeXT Programmer's Toolkit is a set of application programming interface tools that help developers create front-end applications that combine the power of the IBM mainframe environment with the user interface of NeXT computers.

"Multi-platform communications is a critical element toward integrating NeXT computers into corporate computing environments, like IBM's SNA 3270 network," said Max Henry, executive director of developer partnerships at NeXt Computer,

Inc. "With the availability of Avatar's InSession 3270, it becomes even easier for NeXT computers to become an integral part of corporate networking environments. Avatar can provide this important link to the IBM mainframe environment with their proven track record in the IBM 3270 communications market."

InSession 3270 includes an external hardware device and software that provides IBM 3278/3279 terminal emulation and file transfer capabilities for NeXT computer users. It supports IBM terminal models 3278/2-5 and 3279/2A, 2B, 3A and 3B. InSession 3270 provides direct coaxial connectivity and is attached to the SCSI port of the NeXT computer and via coaxial cable to an IBM control unit in the host environment.

Avatar Corporation is a leading provider of IBM 3270 connectivity for Apple Macintosh personal computers (MacMainFrame Series) and PC printers (Printer Emulation Series.) For more information, please call or write Avatar Corporation, 65 South St., Hopkinton, Mass., 01748. Telephone: 800-282-3270 or 508-435-3000.

CONTACT: Heidi Palmer of Avatar Corporation, 508-435-3000, ext. 362

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#90261p5556 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Penn Central Corporation (NYSE: PC) announced that it will purchase all 10,917,714 shares of its common stock which, according to a final count, were tendered pursuant to Penn Central's $23 per share offer to purchase up to 11,000,000 shares that expired on Sept. 10. Payment for the tendered shares will be made promptly.

The final count revises the previously announced preliminary count of approximately 11,347,000 tendered shares.

Penn Central operates businesses primarily in the areas of industrial manufacturing, defense services, insurance and energy.

CONTACT: Bob Burton, manager-investor relations of The Penn Central Corporaton, 513-579-6618

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#90261p5562 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTEREY, CA (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - On Dec. 1, USAir (NYSE: U) will increase the number of flights out of Monterey and replace jet service with Dash 8 Prop-jets, flown by its partner, StatesWest Airlines Inc. according to Lawrence M. Pickett, assistant vice president-corporate communications for USAir.

Currently, USAir has three flights per day between Monterey and Los Angeles. USAir Express will schedule five departures at 6:35 a.m., 9:20 a.m., 1:25 p.m. 4:55 p.m. and 8:15 p.m.

Flights between Los Angeles and Monterey will leave at 7:50 a.m., 11:50 a.m., 3:20 p.m., 6:40 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

The new service will complement the USAir Express service from Monterey to San Francisco, Sacramento and Santa Barbara which began Aug. 15.

The Dash 8-100 is an advanced prop-jet with a seating capacity of up to 37 passengers. It seats four abreast, includes overhead storage, restroom facilities and flight attendant services.

"Passengers flying on USAir Express will continue to have access to advance boarding passes, seat assignments, and the same bonus frequent traveler mileage on every flight they enjoy on USAir," added Pickett.

The association between USAir and StatesWest Airlines Inc. began July 15 with the initiation of USAir Express service to such communities as Burbank, Los Angeles, Orange County, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, Santa Barbara, Bakersfield, along with Arizona cities as Phoenix, Tucson, Lake Havasu City, Sierra Vists/Ft. Huachuca and Laughlin, Nevada/Bullhead City Arizona.

"With the new schedules, StatesWest will be operating approximately 116 daily departures between these locations," noted Rudy R. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer of StatesWest.

CONTACT: Lawrence M. Pickett of USAir, 213-417-1294

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#90261p5564 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitsui Manufacturers Bank announced today it has joined the Savings Associations Mortgage Company Inc. (SAMCO). MMB is the third and largest California commercial bank to join SAMCO's ranks.

"After studying available community lending options and assessing its activities, MMB selected SAMCO as an additional vehicle for expanding its current efforts in meeting CRA and community credit needs. SAMCO gives member institutions the flexibility to choose projects within its local communities throughout California," said Jerry W. Johnston, MMB's president and chief operating officer.

SAMCO is an association of 79 California based financial institutions, and up until March of this year, was comprised of only California savings and loan institutions. Since 1971, SAMCO has granted more than $221 million in loans. This funding has made possible more than 8,000 affordable housing units.

Mitsui Manufacturers Bank, with assets of $1.3 billion is the twelfth largest bank in California. Through its 12 regional offices, it markets and services chiefly mid-sized businesses and professionals, including real estate financing for middle market clients.

CONTACT: Dave Morehouse of Mitsui Manufacturers Bank, 213-489-6349; Doris Schnider of SAMCO, 408-985-8110; or Richard M. Brodrick of Hill and Knowlton Inc., for Mitsui Manufacturers Bank, 213-937-7460

-30- 1587

#90261p5565 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Edisto Resources Corporation (AMEX: EDS) today announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend on its $2.60 senior cumulative convertible preferred stock (AMEX: EDS pr). The dividend is payable on Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 30 1990 at the rate of $0.65 per share.

Edisto Resources Corporation's consolidated activities include the production of oil and gas, the exploration for and development of, oil and gas reserves and the transportation and marketing of natural gas.

CONTACT: Rhonda L. Wright, Manager - Investor Relations, 214-880- 9330 or Margaret C. Bell, Senior Vice President, 214-880-9341, Edisto Resources Corporation.

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#90261p5571 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DFW AIRPORT, TX (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - American Airlines said today that it will begin daily jet service at Nassau in the Bahamas on Dec. 2 with nonstop flights to both Raleigh/Durham and New York's Kennedy Airport.

The Nassau service is one key element in an overall expansion by American in the Atlantic and Caribbean this fall and winter, said Peter J. Dolara, the airline's senior vice president for the Caribbean and Latin America. The buildup involves the addition of 19 flights, including expanded service for American's Caribbean hub at San Juan and the opening of Buffalo-Syracuse-San Juan and Raleigh/Durham-St. Maarten- Antigua service.

Nassau is served today by American's commuter partner, American Eagle, which operates to the airline's Miami hub from Freeport, Marsh Harbour and Treasure Cay. American will use 150-seat 727-200 jets to link Nassau with JFK and the airline's Raleigh/Durham hub.

The Kennedy flight will leave New York at 7:35 a.m. and reach Nassau at 10:37 a.m. The northbound flight will leave Nassau at 6:25 p.m. and arrive at JFK

at 9:07 p.m.

The Raleigh/Durham trip will leave at 3:32 p.m. arriving in Nassau at 5:33 p.m. Northbound, the flight will leave Nassau at 11:22 a.m. and arrive at Raleigh/Durham at 1:22 p.m.

CONTACT: Al Becker of American Airlines, 817-967-1577

-30- 1505

#90261p5572 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - UGI Corp. (NYSE: UGI) today reported that its AmeriGas Propane subsidiary has completed the purchases of three unrelated propane marketers for approximately $4.5 million in cash.

The acquired firms -- Payton's Bottled Gas. Inc., Youngstown, Ohio; Brownies Propane, Le Grand, Calif.; and Calgas Inc., Lyndonville, Vt. -- have combined annual revenues of approximately $2.5 million and serve 4,300 customers.

The purchases are part of UGI's strategic plan to invest in acquisitions to increase the size of its wholly owned propane business. AmeriGas, with wholly owned and joint-venture operations in 37 states, is the nation's third largest propane marketer.

UGI, in addition to its propane businesses, is a natural gas and electric utility in eastern Pennsylvania.

CONTACT: Vince Testa of UGI, 215-337-1000

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#90261p5576 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Edisto Resources Corporation (AMEX: EDS) today announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend on its $2.60 senior cumulative convertible preferred stock (AMEX: EDS pr). The dividend is payable on Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 30 1990 at the rate of $0.65 per share.

Edisto Resources Corporation's consolidated activities include the production of oil and gas, the exploration for and development of, oil and gas reserves and the transportation and marketing of natural gas.

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#90261p5582 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS ST. PAUL, (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeion Corporation (NASDAQ: ANGN) reported sales of $5,091,160 for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990. This represents a 78 percent increase over sales of $2,863,743 for fiscal 1989 and marks Angeion's first year of consecutive quarterly sales of more than $1 million.

Angeion reported a profit of $27,488 for fiscal 1990, as compared to a loss of $424,747 for fiscal 1989.

"Angeion has made exceptional progress this year," said Wendell King, chairman president and CEO. "We had a profitable year, despite the fact that nearly 18 percent of our net sales were spent on research and development. Many companies at our stage of development lose large sums of money each year," added King.

"We focused our major research efforts this year on the development of a catheter for use in a nonsurgical cure for arrhythmias. In August 1990, we established a subsidiary, AngeLase, to assume all responsibility for the arrhythmia effort. In fiscal 1990, we also moved closer to our target of developing a full line of accessories for the angioplasty market," said King.

Angeion noted a number of other recent accomplishments. The company's restructuring attracted outside investment interest in the arrhythmia catheter assisting in the formation of AngeLase in August 1990. Also in August, Angeion received notice that two patent applications, with broad coverage for the arrhythmia catheter technology, were allowed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Angeion expects to begin clinical trials of the arrhythmia catheter in fiscal 1991.

Sales for the fourth quarter ended July 31, 1990 were $1,302,989, which represents a 70 percent increase over sales of $768,149 for the same quarter of the previous fiscal year.

Minneapolis-based Angeion Corporation is a manufacturer of cardiovascular products. Its current core business is the angioplasty accessory market. Angeion's subsidiary, AngeLase, is developing a product for the nonsurgical cure of arrhythmia.

In addition to Angeion's NASDAQ listing under the symbol ANGN, Angeion is also traded on the Boston Stock Exchange under the symbol ANI.

CONTACT: Perry Ketchum or Brenda Roth, of Ketchum & Metz, 612-925- 1924, for Angeion

-30- 2440

#90261p5584 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Primerica Corporation (NYSE: PA) said today the company knows of no material adverse development that in its judgment would account for the unusual activity in its stock this morning.

The company also said that it has recently completed its previously authorized 3 million share stock repurchase program.

CONTACT: Mary McDermott of Primerica, 212-891-8870

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#90261p5585 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc. (NCT) (NASDAQ: NCTI), today announced the signing of a joint development agreement with an international household appliance and consumer products manufacturer. The agreement calls for the consumer products manufacturer to provide substantial funding for the development of electronic noise and vibration cancelling systems for a variety of household appliances and other consumer equipment. The initial application for the quieting of exhaust fans is expected to enter into production in 1991.

"We feel privileged to be working with a household consumer products company of such reputation and size," said John J. McCloy II, chairman of NCT. "The integration of our technology into their wide range of products is the first time active noise and vibration attenuation techniques will be applied to the vast consumer marketplace."

NCT will use patented computer technology to quiet exhaust fans by analyzing the structure of the noise generated from the rotating blades, screws or other fan arms, predict its waveform, then generates 'anti- noise,' a sound wave exactly 180 degrees out of phase with the offending source. The original noise and the mirror image 'anti-noise,' projected via speakers located near the fan, effectively cancel each other.

Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc., is a world leader in active noise and vibration abatement. NCT is headquartered in New York City with domestic research and development facilities in Linthicum, Md., and an overseas facility in Cambridge, United Kingdom.

CONTACT: Irene Lebovics of Noise Cancellation Technologies, 212-560-1275, or Jordan Chanofsky or Pamela Preston of Technology Solutions, 212-505-9900, for Noise Cancellation Technologies

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#90261p5586 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNT PROSPECT, IL (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Postal Service has awarded a contract for portable "notebook" personal computers -- with a

potential value of $6 million -- to Groupe Bull's Zenith Data Systems (ZDS) subsidiary, the company announced today.

Under the terms of the four-year contract, ZDS is expected to supply an estimated 4,000 of its six-pound MinisPort HD portable "notebook" PCs for use by the Postal Service to automate field data collection in all 50 states. The systems will be used at postal distribution sites to estimate mail volume and revenue, as well as to analyze service performance.

Under the terms of the contract, ZDS will begin supplying modem- equipped MinisPort HDs in volume during the last few months of 1990. Introduced earlier this year, the battery-operable MinisPort HD features a 20-megabyte hard disk drive, backlit screen, 80C88 microprocessor and 1-megabyte of memory. The notebook-sized system is 12.4 inches wide by 9.8 inches deep by 1.3 inches high. ZDS will factory-install the MS-DOS 3.3 Plus operating system on the hard disk drive. ZDS also will provide technical support and maintenance for the systems.

ZDS is a leading manufacturer and marketer of portable and desktop microcomputers and monitors for single- and multi-user applications. ZDS received its first government contract in 1984 and has shipped more than 500,000 desktop and laptop systems for federal government use. With headquarters in Mount Prospect and principal assembly operations in St. Joseph Mich., ZDS has manufacturing and sales facilities in more than 20 countries. ZDS' Federal Systems division is based in Vienna, Va., and marketing support offices are located in Montgomery, Ala.; Heidelberg, West Germany; and Seoul, South Korea.

NOTE TO EDITORS: Zenith Data Systems is no longer a subsidiary of Zenith Electronics Corp. For the sake of accuracy, on second reference, refer to Zenith Data Systems as "ZDS" or "Zenith Data." Do not refer to ZDS as "Zenith."

CONTACT: Matt Mirapaul, 708-699-4897, or Glen-Eric Nelson, 708-699-4848, both of Zenith Data Systems, or Stephen C. Willett of the U.S. Postal Service, 202-268-4112

-30- 2387

#90261p5593 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARIS (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Compagnie de Saint-Gobain announced today that it had completed its acquisition of Norton Company (NYSE: NRT) following the special meeting of stockholders of Norton at which the merger of Saint-Gobain's wholly-owned subsidiary, SG Acquisition Corp., with Norton was approved.

SG Acquisition acquired approximately 98 percent of the outstanding common stock of Norton at a price of $90 per share pursuant to its previously

announced cash tender offer which expired on Aug. 8, 1990. Each remaining share of Norton common stock not purchased in the tender offer has now been converted into the right to receive $90 per share, without interest.

Chemical Bank has been appointed paying agent for distribution of this cash payment to all Norton stockholders who did not tender their shares. Instructions on how to receive this cash payment are being sent to holders of record of such shares.

CONTACT: Tom Ryan or Amory Hall, of Hill & Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for Saint-Gobain/

-30- 1177

#90261p5595 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN MATEO, CA (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Airlease Ltd., a California Limited Partnership (NYSE: FLY), said today its directors approved the third quarter 1990 cash distribution of 63 cents per unit. This represents the partnership's second quarterly distribution at this increased rate and the 16th quarterly distribution since inception.

The distribution will be payable Nov. 15, 1990, to unitholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990.

Airlease Ltd. presently has investments in 16 aircraft leased to 5 airlines. As of Sept. 17, 1990, the Airlease unit price closed at $18.25.

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#90261p5601 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Rotan Mosle Inc. and Boettcher & Company Inc., as co-managers, announced today the public offering of 1,000,000 shares of common stock of First Seismic Corporation (NASDAQ: FSEI) at a price of $9 a share.

All shares are being offered by the company. Selling stockholders have granted the underwriters an option to purchase up to an additional 150,000 shares to cover overallottments.

Net proceeds from the offering will be used to repay debt, finance new seismic surveys, purchase existing seismic data and for general corporate purposes.

First Seismic Corporation markets seismic data owned by it and by others for licensing to the oil and gas industry. It initiates, designs and coordinates seismic surveys that are substantially financed by its clients through commitments to license the data generated.

CONTACT: Philip Santamaria of Rotan Mosle Inc., 713-236-3000, for First Seismic Corporation

-30- 1132

#90261p5606 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, NJ (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The 118 member hospitals of the New Jersey Hospital Association (NJHA), plus 39 other hospitals in the Philadelphia area, soon will be able to join a feature-rich private long-distance network while saving on their bills for telecommunications services.

Under terms of three-year contracts signed with AT&T on Friday, NJHA's group-purchasing division will serve as the volume-discount agent for AT&T Software Defined Network Service and AT&T Long Distance Service.

NJHA said it expects the volume-purchase plan to help save member hospitals more than $1 million a year compared with what they could expect to spend if they were to obtain the services individually. Revenue to AT&T is projected to exceed $25 million over the length of the contracts.

NJHA entered into the contracts through its wholly owned subsidiary, the Center for Health Affairs. NJHA serves as a statewide advocate for all New Jersey hospitals and the patients they serve.

"We evaluated bids from a number of vendors and selected AT&T because it offered the best solutions at the best prices available," said NJHA President Louis P. Scibetta.

"The hospital association challenged us to do our best to win these contracts " said AT&T Sales Vice President Daniel R. Hesse. "We're happy we could put together a package that gives participating hospitals AT&T quality and service in a volume-pricing arrangement they couldn't get individually."

AT&T Software Defined Network Service is a switched-network service that gives users the appearance and features of a private, dedicated network, including the ability to customize calling authorizations to individual telephones; call accounting by departmental codes; calling on the network from remote locations such as public phones or users' homes, and low-speed data and image transmissions.

The service will be used to set up a telecommunications network of participating New Jersey and Philadelphia-area hospitals; the hospitals' network will allow them to save a projected 25 to 30 percent on their bills for the business long-distance calls they make.

"New Jersey hospitals spend about $3.6 million a year on long- distance

telephone costs," said Robert Pernal, NJHA assistant director of contract services for group purchasing. "If 100 member hospitals participate in this program, they together could save as much as $1 million annually."

AT&T Long Distance Service will be used for operator-assisted calling from patients' rooms via AT&T operators and for direct-dial calling, including credit-card calling, from public telephones in NJHA member hospitals.

AT&T will provide hospitals with stickers and information cards for bedside phones to let patients and their families know that AT&T is the long-distance carrier being used.

NJHA also is now testing use of AT&T MAIL(A) as an electronic- messaging capability between hospitals.

CONTACT: Lynn Newman of AT&T, 201-221-6179, or home, 201-993-8033; or Ron Czajkowski of NJHA, 609-275-4071, or home, 201-873-1644

-30- 3267

#90261p5610 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Merchants National Corporation (NASDAQ: MCHN) announced today that it plans to make a $35 million provision for losses in the third quarter. It is estimated that this provision will give the corporation over 100 percent reserve coverage of its nonperforming loans at Sept. 30, 1990. The allowance for credit losses at quarter-end will be in excess of 2 percent of total loans.

"This will mark the fourth consecutive quarter we have reported lower-than-expected earnings and we want it to be our last," stated Otto N. Frenzel III, chairman and chief executive officer. "Merchants' core operating earnings are strong and continue to track on plan. However, weakness in midwest real estate markets has substantially exceeded our expectations. We believe that continued deterioration in these markets during the third quarter necessitates the provision announced today. This provision reflects unforeseen developments that have occurred during the third quarter."

Merchants expects that the provision announced today will result in a loss for the third quarter, but further expects that earnings will be restored in the fourth quarter. The principal weakness in Merchants' loan portfolio relates to its commercial real estate loans. Merchants has no loans to lesser developed countries.

In a separate action, the board of directors of Merchants National Corporation today declared a normal quarterly dividend of $.30 per share for the fourth quarter, payable Dec. 21, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

Merchants has paid continuous annual dividends since 1867. Merchants National

Corporation, an Indiana multibank holding company headquartered in Indianapolis, is the second largest publicly held bank holding company based in the state. A network of seventeen subsidiary banks with 138 banking locations serves the banking and financial needs of customers in Indiana and contiguous states. The corporation, through its subsidiaries, offers a broad range of commercial, retail, and mortgage banking services, as well as trust and investment services. Additionally, under a contract with the U.S. Department of Defense, the corporation's lead bank, Merchants National Bank & Trust Company of Indianapolis, provides retail banking service to military personnel through 181 military banking facilities in Germany, the Netherlands, Greece, the United Kingdom, Iceland, Philipines, Diego Garcia, and the Republic of Korea.

CONTACT: Kenneth Carr, media, 317-267-6200; or David Lebedeff, investors, 317-267-3701, both of Merchants National Corporation

-30- 2817

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TROY, MICH. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Inacomp Computer Centers, Inc. (NASDAQ: INAC) reported record financial results for fiscal 1990, which ended July 28, 1990.

Inacomp closed fiscal 1990 with record-high revenues of $500,240,000, up 42 percent from $351,526,000 for fiscal 1989. This was the first time the company's revenues exceeded the $500 million mark. Operating income increased 12 percent to $14,951,000 from $13,354,000 in 1989. Net income for the fiscal year also rose 10 percent to $6,951,000, compared with $6,317,000 for the previous year. Earnings per share for fiscal 1990 showed a 9.2-percent increase to $.95 per share, up from $.87 per share the previous year.

Rick Inatome, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "Our impressive results are due to outstanding performance throughout the fiscal year, capped off by a solid fourth quarter." Quarterly revenues increased by 34 percent to $133,576,000 compared with $99,778,000 for the fourth quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter rose by more than 7 percent, at $1,477,000 compared with $1,379,000 for fiscal 1989.

Fourth-quarter 1990 marked the company's 18th consecutive quarter of year-to-year improvements in both revenues and profitability. "We're very proud of our stability," said Inatome. "It's a record unprecedented in our industry, and we've managed to maintain it during very competitive times."

The company's performance reflected increased productivity, with selling and administrative expenses down 2 percent as a percentage of total revenues, at 12.6 percent for 1990, compared to 14.6 percent for fiscal 1989. "In a dynamic environment like ours, the ability to increase productivity by controlling expenses is critical," said Inatome.

"1990 has been a very challenging year for the computer industry. Margin pressures continue to impact resellers, which have resulted in difficulties for many of our competitors. Inacomp has increased market share while keeping expenses down. We're proud that we have maintained our significant momentum, setting an important new milestone by exceeding one-half billion in revenues," Inatome continued. "I believe this solidifies our position in the industry as the premier solutions provider, a reputation we intend to reinforce in the coming years," concluded Inatome.

Inacomp Computer Centers, Inc. markets microcomputer systems and related products and services through over 230 company-owned, franchised and affiliate locations across the country. The company provides network consultation, installation, classroom training, system maintenance and repair to its customers. Inacomp also provides short- term rental and long-term leasing of microcomputer systems. Corporate offices are in Troy.

INACOMP COMPUTER CENTERS, INC.
FISCAL YEAR 1990
Ended July 28, 1990

	12 Months Ended	
	July 28, 1990	July 29, 1989
Revenues	$500,240,000	$351,526,000
Net income	6,951,000	6,317,000
Earnings per share	$.95	$.87
Average shares outstanding	7,329,544	7,302,431
	Fourth Quarter Ended	
	July 28, 1990	July 29, 1989
Revenues	$133,576,000	$ 99,778,000
Net income	1,477,000	1,379,000
Earnings per share	$.20	$.19
Average shares outstanding	7,290,434	7,356,943

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TORONTO, (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Minera Rayrock Inc. (Toronto: MRN) and Westlake Industries Ltd. (Vancouver: WLK) today announced that they have agreed to amend the terms of their proposed plan of arrangement.

Minera has agreed to waive the condition which required Westlake to have $2 million cash, net of liabilities, on the effective date of the arrangement. In return, the exchange ratio of Minera shares issuable to Westlake shareholders will be reduced from three Minera shares for each five Westlake shares held to 11 Minera shares for each 20 Westlake shares held. No

fractional shares will be issued.

Minera is an exploration and mining development company active in Latin America. It owns 60 percent of the Bellavista joint venture gold project in Costa Rica, 100 percent of the Ivan copper project in Chile, where the new Emperatriz deposit was recently discovered, and has other active exploration interests in Costa Rica and Chile.

Westlake owns the remaining 40 percent of the Bellavista joint venture gold project. In addition, Westlake holds 3.2 million shares (26.7 percent) of Minera, which will be canceled pursuant to the arrangement.

Westlake has called its annual general meeting for Oct. 25, 1990, at which shareholders will be asked to approve the arrangement. Materials in respect of the meeting will be mailed to shareholders of record on Sept. 20, 1990. Interim court approval was obtained on Sept. 17, 1990, and final court approval will be sought on Oct. 29, 1990. Subject to receipt of the necessary approvals, it is anticipated that the arrangement will be completed on or about Oct. 31, 1990.

On completion of the arrangement, Minera will have approximately 14.5 million shares outstanding of which Rayrock Yellowknife Resources Inc. (Toronto: RAY) will hold 50.5 percent and the balance will be in the public float.

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EINDHOVEN, NETHERLANDS (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - In concert with Eastman Kodak Company's announcement of Photo CD, Philips' interactive media systems group announced the new system will be standardized within the framework of the compact disc standards set by Philips and Sony.

Photo CD is new photographic system -- jointly developed between Kodak and Philips -- that can scan 35mm images and write them on compact discs. These pictures can then be played back on television with new Kodak Photo CD players manufactured by Philips.

Philips also announced that licenses to manufacture Photo CDs and players will be made available to third parties.

Once the images have been written on the discs by the photofinisher, the gold-colored Photo CD can be played on interactive compact disc (CD-I) players CD ROM-XA systems and dedicated Photo CD players.

Available in 1992, the new Photo CD players will connect easily to any

television set. All three players can play audio CDs as well, thus ensuring maximum compatibility to the consumer.

Gaston Bastiaens, director of Philips' interactive media systems group, said, "Photo CD will extend the application possibilities of the CD-I system."

CD-I combines high-quality sound, text, still image and full motion video, computer graphics and data on CDs. All these forms of information can be used interactively and simultaneously. "The system is simple to use and its versatility makes it the ideal medium for consumer applications in the areas of entertainment, education and information," Bastiaens said.

Consumer CD-I players will be introduced in the United States and Japan in 1991. Europe will follow in 1992. Many publishers are already preparing titles for the consumer launch.

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WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Health Equity Properties Incorporated (NYSE: EQP) declared a third quarter dividend of $0.20 per share at the regular third quarter meeting on September 17th. The dividend, which is the 16th consecutive payment to shareholders, is payable on October 31, 1990, to shareholders of record September 28, 1990. As earlier reported, management anticipates that the dividend rate will increase approximately one-half of a cent each quarter over the next three years.

Also at the meeting, Bradley G. Razook was appointed a Class Two director, his term expiring at the 1993 annual meeting. Mr. Razook is a Vice President of the Capital Markets Group of County NatWest.

Health Equity Properties is a real estate investment trust which owns 76 nursing homes containing 5,043 beds in five states. The Company's properties are leased to nursing home operators. Based in Winston-Salem, North Carolina the Company is managed by a ten member board of directors, six of whom are independent from the company.

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ST. PAUL, MINN. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The St. Paul Companies today said it may repurchase on the open market up to five percent of its outstanding common

stock, or 2,120,000 shares, from time to time as conditions warrant.

Douglas W. Leatherdale, chairman and chief executive officer, said the current stock price, which has declined due to general conditions in the stock market, provides an opportunity to repurchase stock at a very attractive price. He said that at the current price of its stock, the company expects to commence the repurchase program immediately.

"We believe the current stock price does not reflect our future earnings prospects," he said. "Repurchasing and retiring these shares will produce a positive impact on earnings per share without straining our capital capacity."

During the first half of 1990, the company repurchased and retired 6.9 million common shares, or about 14 percent of those outstanding at the end of 1989. It currently has 42.4 million common shares outstanding.

The St. Paul Companies is a worldwide property-liability insurance organization.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - VAALCO Energy Inc., a Houston, Texas-based international oil exploration and production firm, is pleased to announce the upgrade of VAALCO to ''Resource Issuer'' effective Sept. 7, 1990, by the Vancouver Stock Exchange. This designation is in recognition of the asset and financial strength and market value of the company. Management of VAALCO believes this senior issuer status publicly recognizes the strength and opportunities afforded the company in the international arena.

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STOCKTON, CA (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir (NYSE: U) and StatesWest Airlines Inc. which operates as USAir Express in the western states, have announced an expanded schedule and aircraft equipment changes for the Stockton area.

Effective Oct. 1, USAir Express will initiate five flights per day from Stockton to San Francisco. The schedule calls for departures at 6:05 a.m., 8:20 a.m., 3:05 p.m., 5:25 p.m., and 8:10 p.m.

"The new non-stop service to San Francisco will give local travelers access to another major connecting hub for USAir," noted Rudy R. Miller, chairman and

chief executive officer of StatesWest Airlines.

The new flights will use the Beech 1900C, one of the most advanced regional aircraft. The 19-passenger prop-jet is pressurized and capable of reaching altitudes of 25,000 feet. It is also one of the most fuel efficient aircraft in the system.

On Dec. 1, USAir will replace its three jet flights per day from Stockton to Los Angeles with four Dash 8-100 prop-jet flights through USAir Express. The schedule calls for flights to Los Angeles at 5:55 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 1:15 p.m. and 7 p.m.

The schedule from Los Angeles to Stockton will include flights at 8:15 a.m. 11:10 a.m., 4:50 p.m. and 10:15 p.m.

The Dash 8-100 is an advanced prop-jet with a seating capacity of up to 37 passengers. It seats four abreast, includes overhead storage compartments, restroom facilities and flight attendant services.

"Passengers flying on USAir Express will continue to have access to advance boarding passes, seat assignments, and bonus frequent traveler mileage on every flight which they can enjoy with USAir," added Lawrence M. Pickett, assistant vice president corporate communications for USAir.

The partnership of USAir and StatesWest Airlines Inc. began on July 15 as the regional carrier began flying as USAir Express to such communities as Bakersfield, Burbank, Los Angeles, Monterey, Orange County, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, and Santa Barbara in California. Other destinations include Phoenix, Tucson, and, Lake Havasu City, Sierra Vista/Ft. Huachua and Laughlin, Nev., Bullhead City, Ariz. With the December schedule, StatesWest will operate approximately 116 daily departures between these locations.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola's (NYSE: MOT) Microprocessor Products Group today announced its 68040 (040) microprocessor is the central processor engine for four new computers from NeXT Computer Inc. (Redwood City, Calif.). The 040 will provide NeXT customers with a performance increase of three to ten times the original 68030-based NeXT(TM) Computer System while retaining 100 percent software compatibility with applications developed for the previous system.

Motorola's Digital Signal Processor (DSP) Operation also announced today that its DSP56001 will provide key multimedia features for the new computers from NeXT, just as it did for the previous NeXT system. The 56001 brings voice

synthesis and digital audio to mainstream software running on the NeXT platform. The 56001 also lays the foundation for future software-based facsimile and modem capabilities as well as voice recognition development. Running at 12.5 million instruction per second (MIPS), the 56001 acts as an auxiliary processor to Motorola's 68040 handling real-time oriented applications.

"The 68040 represents a major advance in microprocessor performance," said Murray A. Goldman, senior vice president and general manager of Motorola's Microprocessor and Memory Technology Group. "And the 040's unprecedented level of functionality allows computers like the NeXT system to be built."

"The 56001 brings life-like qualities to the NeXT system," said Bryant Wilder, operations manager of DSP for Motorola. "The 56001's basic quality is that it makes computers dramatically more effective communication tools."

"Over the last ten years, Motorola has continually demonstrated remarkable innovation in their microprocessor technology," said Rich Page, vice president of engineering for NeXT. "Packing an 040 and 56001 on our motherboard gives our customers a tremendous system of performance and features."

The 68040 With performance rated at 15-20 (MIPS) and 2.0 - 3.5 million floating-point operations per second (MFLOPS), the 040 is the most powerful single chip microprocessor on the market today. Featuring a completely new implementation of the 68000 architecture, it remains 100 percent software compatible with its other family members.

The 040 is widely regarded as the industry's most sophisticated single-chip microprocessor, incorporating more than 1.2 million transistors, almost four times the number in the 68030.

Implemented in Motorola's 0.8-micron high-performance complementary metal-oxide semiconductor (HCMOS) process, the 040 designers were able to incorporate on-chip an integer unit, floating-point unit, two memory management units, data and instruction caches. Performing up to 14 operations simultaneously (e.g., data moves, add, subtract), the 040 has architectural parallelism higher than any other commercial microprocessor.

The 56001 The 56001 provides the basis for on-board data communications (e.g., fax and modem) and sound synthesis (e.g., voice mail, voice annotated files, and high-fidelity audio). It creates CD-quality sound because its architecture can generate up to 144 decibels of dynamic range. Acting as a facsimile/modem processor, the 56001 can modulate incoming and outgoing data signals at rates comparable to a V.32 modem.

With a 56001 included on the mother board of all NeXT computers, independent software developers have been given a unique opportunity to build applications that communicate to the user in multiple dimensions. For example, the 56001

adds capabilities such as voice or sound recording, storage and playback within a document. These "sound bites" are usually annotated by a "lips" icon.

With the 56001 in the NeXT Computer, blind users can listen to voice translations of a document on-screen; multinational companies can translate and route documents to foreign branch offices; and advertising agencies can create on-screen audio-visual storyboards.

Motorola's Microprocessor Products Group (Austin, Texas) includes the High End Microprocessor Division, the Microcontroller Division and the Digital Signal Processor Operation. The group has established a number of industry standard architectures, including the 68000 and 88000 family of microprocessors, the 68HC05, 68HC11 and 68300 microcontrollers,
and the 56000 and 96000 family of digital signal processors. Motorola is the largest and broadest supplier of semiconductors in North America, with a balanced portfolio of over 50,000 devices.

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HIGH POINT, N.C. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Speaking today at Culp's 1990 annual meeting of shareholders, Robert G. Culp, III, chief executive officer, said that the company expects to achieve continued progress in earnings for fiscal 1991. He remarked, "The fiscal year started on a strong note with a 76 percent gain in earnings for the first quarter. The improvement in margins combined with the 6 percent gain in sales for the quarter reflects the results of our efforts to establish Culp's competitive position as a profitable, 'value-added' supplier."

For its fiscal year ended April 29, 1990, Culp reported net income of $2,286,000, or $0.52 per share, on net sales of $169,454,000. Those results compared with a net loss in fiscal 1989 of $892,000, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $176,839,000.

Culp commented, "We are continuing to focus our resources on those actions which can further improve customer service and quality. We are also maintaining tight budgetary control over operating expenses to ensure the cost-competitiveness of our fabrics. Maintaining efficient production facilities is an equally critical factor, and we are committed to investing the capital necessary to continue operating state-of-the-art plants. For fiscal 1991 that commitment will mean a significant increase in the company's capital expenditures from the $5.4 million spent in fiscal 1990. We are pleased that the company's balance sheet will enable us to finance this modernization and expansion from internally generated funds. Culp has a sound financial position which is providing important underlying support to our

overall growth strategy."

Following the annual meeting, the Board of Directors met and declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.275 (two and three-fourth cents) per share. The dividend is payable October 16, 1990, to shareholders of record on October 2, 1990.

Culp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CULP) is a leading manufacturer and marketer of fabrics for the furniture, bedding, recreational vehicle and institutional furnishings markets. The company's common shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CULP.

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SALT LAKE CITY, (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of American Stores Co. (NYSE: ASC) today declared a quarterly cash dividend on American Stores Co. common stock of $0.28 per common share, payable Oct. 19, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 5, 1990.

American Stores Co.'s regional operating companies include American Superstores Inc. and its subsidiaries Acme Markets Inc., Jewel Food Stores and Star Market; American Drug Stores Inc. and its divisions Osco Drug Inc. and Sav-on; American Food and Drug Inc. and its divisions Skaggs Alpha Beta, Buttrey Food and Drug and Jewel Osco; Lucky Stores Inc; and Alpha Beta Co.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Cypress Fund Inc. (AMEX: WJR) today requested the fund's investment adviser, Mitchell Hutchins Asset Management Inc., to consider all available options to allow shareholders to realize the net asset value of fund shares and to report its recommendations to the board at its next meeting. The board intends to consider the available options, including liquidating the fund or converting it into or merging it with an open- end fund (with or without distributions in kind to fund shareholders), and to present a proposal to the fund's shareholders for consideration at the fund's next annual meeting in Spring of 1991 or an earlier special meeting.

The board had adopted a policy in Sept. 1989 to submit a plan to realize net asset value to shareholders following June 30, 1991 if the fund's shares were to trade during specified 90-day periods at a discount from net asset value of

more than 1 percent. The board's decision today accelerates implementation of this policy.

The board also announced the resignation of William J. Reik, Jr., as vice president and portfolio manager of the fund. Ellen R. Harris, a managing director and chief investment officer-domestic of Mitchell Hutchins, will serve as vice president and portfolio manager of the fund. At the board's request, Reik has agreed to serve as consultant to the fund. At the board's request, Reik has agreed to serve as a consultant to the fund. Reik will continue to serve as a managing director of Mitchell Hutchins.

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MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - DIGI International Inc. (NASDAQ: DGII) and Progressive Computing, Inc., Oak Brook, Ill., jointly announced today that DIGI has completed the acquisition of Progressive's ISDN CPE (Integrated Services Digital Network -- Customer Premises Equipment) product line, consisting of both PC-based plug-in circuit boards and software. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

John P. Schinas, DIGI International's president and chief executive officer, said, "With this transaction, DIGI has moved into a market that promises substantial growth, and has done so with a proven product. This acquisition fits well with DIGI's objective of developing or acquiring leading edge technologies and expands our markets within the data communications field. ISDN is one of several new markets in which DIGI will introduce connectivity solutions this year."

The product line features applications such as: -- Integrated voice/data application -- permits telephony, file transmission, terminal emulation and communication port emulation features at the same time the PC is used for traditional PC tasks.

-- High-speed, dial-up LAN extension, and virtual ISDN LAN application using ISDN NetLink's NetBios interface and data compression, which can yield up to 128,000 bps throughput.

The ISDN tel/adapter product line is a recognized technology leader. In February 1990, it received PC Magazine's "Editor's Choice" award for best ISDN PC-based terminal adapter for DOS-based computers.

Founded in 1985, DIGI International Inc., is the producer of the DigiBoard line of DigiCHANNEL multichannel communication boards. These products permit microcomputers to function as multiuser computer systems in a variety of

environments.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Sales and earnings of LESCO, Inc. (NASDAQ: LSCO) in the third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, were the best for any third quarter in the company's history and were substantially ahead of last year's record quarter, it was announced today by James I. FitzGibbon, chairman and chief executive officer.

Net income of $1,162,200, or 28 cents a share, was 54 percent greater than the year-ago earnings of $753,500, or 18 cents a share. Sales increased 18 percent to $32,765,100 from $27,760,300 in the prior year's third quarter.

"The record results for the third quarter are particularly gratifying because of the substantial improvement over the prior year's third quarter which was a very strong period and a record quarter," FitzGibbon said. "Our second quarter this year also established record sales and earnings. Taken together the two periods reflect the benefits of capital investments which have broadened our product line and increased the capacity, productivity and efficiency of our nationwide marketing and manufacturing activities."

Each of the company's major product categories contributed to the improvement in the third quarter, bolstered by the continuing success of the traditional LESCO Sales Truck program and the rapid progress of the more recently established Service Centers, which focus on the needs of the professional lawn care operator and landscaper.

"We are on target with our program to add new service centers. Our capacity to supply an increasing number of these units was substantially improved with the opening of a new and much larger fertilizer production plant located in Martins Ferry, Ohio," FitzGibbon said. He added that the plant has sufficient capacity to meet the company's fertilizer needs well into this decade.

For the nine months ended Aug. 31, net income was $1,646,700, or 40 cents a share, on increased sales of $83,614,500. In the year-ago nine months, sales were $73,281,600 and the company had a loss of $184,400, or five cents a share.

LESCO, headquartered in Cleveland, operates a fleet of tractor- trailer sales trucks which services golf courses nationwide, and regional service centers which supply the professional lawn care operator and landscaper. The company produces the vast majority of the fertilizers, turf and horticultural control products and turf care equipment sold through the trucks, service centers, conventional sales representatives and telemarketing.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas City Power & Light (NYSE: KLT) announced today that the Missouri Public Service Commission has adopted the following schedule for consideration of Kansas City Power & Light's July 23, 1990 application to the commission for approval of its proposed merger with Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE):

Oct. 5, 1990	-	Kansas City Power & Light prefiled direct testimony
Jan. 4, 1991	-	Staff, Public Counsel and Intervenors prefiled rebuttal testimony
Jan. 18, 1991	-	Kansas City Power & Light surrebuttal testimony
Feb. 4, 1991	-	Pre-hearing conference
Feb. 12, 1991	-	Hearing memorandum
Feb. 19-22, 1991	-	Hearings

Drue Jennings, president and chief executive officer of Kansas City Power & Light said, "We are confident we can comply with the commission's schedule. We continue to emphasize our strong desire to achieve a negotiated transaction with Kansas Gas and Electric and would like to meet as soon as possible to discuss our offer."

On July 23, 1990, Kansas City Power & Light commenced an all cash, fully financed tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of Kansas Gas and Electric. The offer price of $27 per share for the common stock, approximately $857 million in the aggregate, represents a 37 percent premium over the market price of Kansas Gas and Electric common stock on July 20, 1990, the last trading day prior to the commencement of Kansas City Power & Light's offer.

The tender offer is scheduled to expire at 7 p.m., New York City time, on Friday, Oct. 19, 1990.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Aegis Group plc (Aegis) announced today the sale of its public relations division, Creamer Dickson International (CDI), to Eurocom Corporate & PR (Eurocorp), a subsidiary of the French communication

group Eurocom SA, (Eurocom). Consideration for the sale will be 10.75 million pounds sterling payable in cash at closing. The proceeds of the sale will be used to repay borrowings.

CDI comprises three separate businesses: -- Biss Lancaster plc, a U.K.-based public relations company specializing in consumer and financial public relations; -- Creamer Dickson Basford Inc., a U.S.-based consumer and financial public relations company with offices in New York, Pittsburgh and New England; -- Corporate Graphics, Inc., an annual report and corporate identity business with offices in New York, Los Angeles and London.

In the 12 months ending Dec. 31, 1989, CDI's pro-forma turnover and pre-tax profits were 11.0 million pounds and 1.36 million pounds, respectively. As of Dec. 31, 1989, CDI had negative net assets of 176,000 pounds (excluding certain long-term inter-company loans). The companies have historically been financed by parent company loans, some of which will be waived or capitalized at completion. Net assets at completion will be equal to fixed assets (likely to be in the order of 2 million pounds).

Corporate Graphics, Inc. was acquired in January 1988, under an earnout arrangement. The maximum future liability under the earnout is currently $10.7 million. This will be settled by Aegis for $3.7 million, of which 50 percent will be payable in Aegis ordinary shares.

The sale of CDI is subject to approval by Aegis' shareholders. A circular to shareholders will be posted shortly.

Aegis Group plc is a holding company based in London which is quoted on the Stock Exchanges in London and New York. Its principal subsidiary, Carat, is Europe's largest specialist media planning and buying group, employing more than 1,000 people in 30 offices across 11 countries, serving more than 1,400 clients and in 1989, having billings of U.S. $4 billion. In addition to Carat Aegis has interests in sports sponsorship and event management through its wholly owned subsidiary Pascoe Nally International. Aegis also has a 40 percent stake in the advertising network EWDB, the other 60 percent of which is owned by Eurocom.

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CHICAGO, (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Two solar-powered racing car teams from the University of Michigan and University of Maryland will each receive a $15,000 grant from Amoco Corporation to help finance their entries in the World Solar Challenge in Australia in November.

The two grants were announced today by Lawrason D. Thomas, executive vice president of Amoco. He personally presented the Michigan check to his alma mater during a dinner on campus for faculty and Amoco Foundation recipients.

The Maryland check will be presented by John Corsi, president and chief executive of Solarex, a wholly owned Amoco subsidiary. Solarex provided solar cells manufactured by the company's Rockville, Md., plant for the Maryland car.

The Michigan and Maryland cars placed first and third respectively in the 1,641-mile race from Florida to Michigan in July, earning them places in the worldwide competition in Australia. The race cars were built by the student teams.

"We are very impressed with the technical, business, and leadership skills that team members have developed as a result of this project," Thomas said.

"Amoco has a strong interest in encouraging young people to enter the scientific disciplines -- the areas where corporations such as ours are concerned about finding enough technically educated men and women to fill the jobs that will be open.

"These talented students," Thomas said, "are facing the challenge of how to provide for some of the world's energy needs in the years ahead. We need more like them with education, vision and dedication to tackle this difficult job."

Thomas wished both race car teams good luck in Australia, noting there wouldn't be any losers because the experience will benefit all participants.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Cooper Development Company (NASDAQ: COOL) reported today that net sales for the third quarter ended July 31, 1990 were $3,444,000, compared with $3,857,000 for the like period a year ago. The company also reported an operating loss for the current quarter of $2,488,000, compared to $1,763,000 for the like period a year ago and a net loss for the third quarter ended July 31, 1990 of $2,683,000 or $.82 per share compared with net income of $506,000 or $.16 per share for the third quarter a year ago.

The company reported that net sales for the nine months ended July 31, 1990 were $8,847,000 compared with $10,143,000 for the prior year period and that the operating loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $6,827,000 compared with $6,774,000 in the like period a year ago. The company reported a net loss of $6,949,000 or $2.13 per share compared with a net loss of $2,483,000 or $.76 per share for the prior year period.

Cooper Development Company develops, acquires and invests in personal care products businesses.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines announced today that agreement had been reached between itself, Continental Holdings, Inc. (formerly Texas Air Corp.), and the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp., which assures full payment of the retirement benefits that have been earned by Eastern's employees and fully resolves Eastern's unfunded pension plan liabilities. The agreement is subject to approval by the bankruptcy court overseeing Eastern's Chapter 11 status.

Responsibility for payment of Eastern employee retirement benefits will be assumed by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. (PBGC), the agency that oversees the nation's private retirement plans. Eastern will continue to administer the plans on an interim basis.

The agreement signed today also provides that the PBGC will act promptly to terminate Eastern's pension plans and designates the PBGC as successor trustee of each of the plans.

The settlement calls for Continental Holdings to make the $80.5 million payment currently due the pension funds, (earlier estimated at $95 million), and Eastern will make a $30 million payment from its $1 billion escrow accounts, including approximately $8 million in October and the remainder on Jan. 15, 1991.

Under the terms of the agreement, Continental Holdings commits to collateralize future installment payments to the PBGC which in the aggregate will cover the net liabilities assumed by the agency. Additionally, the PBGC shall have an allowed claim of $565 million against the Eastern bankruptcy estate as a general unsecured creditor. Continental will be allowed a similar unsecured claim of $71 million for payments made previously to the pension plans.

Martin R. Shugrue, court-appointed Trustee at Eastern, described the settlement as "very satisfactory."

"It accomplishes our primary objective of guaranteeing the retirement benefits earned by our employees," Shugrue said. "Further, elimination of any future liability for funding pension benefits and agreement on the amount of the PBGC claim against the Eastern estate are major milestones on the way to reorganization of Eastern under Chapter 11.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, 305-873-3773, or 305-873-6360

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Fisher Restaurant Systems (NASDAQ: FBUS) announced today that it has signed an amendment to its contract with Denny's Inc. of Irvine, Calif., which operates 981 company-owned units nationwide. This amendment provides for the continuation of the implementation of the Fisher Restaurant System in Denny's company-owned stores. The original contract, which was signed in June of 1989, called for the installation of 300 systems over a 30-month period. The contract was fulfilled when the 300th system was installed in the 13th month of the time period allowed, and installations are continuing at the rate of 20 to 30 systems per month.

Charlotte Krause, director of Restaurant Systems for Denny's, said: "This project has been a very successful one for Denny's. The Fisher System has increased the productivity of our store managers. Working with Fisher and IBM, we have been able to install and service systems all over the country smoothly and efficiently."

The Fisher Restaurant System, which operates on the IBM Personal System/2(R), performs basic timekeeping functions, complete order entry, remote order printing, guest check preparation, server checkout, and food costing. Denny's has direct communications with each store via modems and can receive information at its corporate office from each store every day. In addition, Denny's has written some of its own applications which operate concurrently with the Fisher software.

Larry Fisher, president of Fisher Restaurant Systems, said: "The outstanding success we have had with Denny's is largely due to three factors. First, the top management at Denny's has supported the project from its inception, realizing the significant benefits which can be gained from an in-store computer-based POS system. Second, our product offers both the functionality and the open-ended architecture necessary to meet today's demands and tomorrow's requirements. Third, the preparation by Charlotte and her team made each installation a routine, orderly process for Denny's and for us. If that had not been the case, installing 300 systems in just over a year would not have been possible. We look forward to the continuation of the relationship and to the installation of the Fisher System in every Denny's

restaurant."

For more information about the Fisher Restaurant Management System, call 800-992-3771.

CONTACT: Pete Butler of Fisher Restaurant Systems, 404-578-1771

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FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Team Bank, as Trustee of the San Juan Basin Royalty Trust (NYSE: SJT), today declared there would be no cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of record on Sept. 28, 1990.

Production expenses for the month of September exceeded revenues by approximately $9,600 due to decreased sales caused by a plant shutdown and the low sales price of natural gas. Production expenses in May, June, July and August exceeded revenues by approximately $2,577,900, resulting in a cumulative excess of $2,587,500. The Trust's portion of this excess is approximately $1,943,000.

Capital costs totaled approximately $1,493,000 for the month. Production for the properties from which the royalty was carved totaled approximately 1,077,600 Mcf. The average gas price was $1.26 per Mcf.

In accordance with the Royalty Conveyance, the excess of expenses over income must be recovered from subsequent months' royalty income. Southland Royalty Co. has advised the Trustee that royalty income for the next several months may be negative or negligible due to the anticipated drilling of additional coal seam gas wells, as well as the low seasonal demand for natural gas and the seasonally depressed spot market prices.

CONTACT: Lee Ann Anderson of Team Bank, 817-884-4417

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HOUSTON, (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Energy Assets International Corp. (the "Company") announced today that its parent company, Torch Energy Advisors Inc. ("Torch"), had acquired an aggregate of 2,647,188 shares of Common Stock from five stockholders of the Company for a price of $.50 per share. The acquisition increased Torch's ownership in the Company from 80.1 percent to 85.67 percent.

The Company also announced that Torch had tentatively determined to propose to the remaining minority stockholders of the Company a merger transaction in which such stockholders would receive cash for their shares, with Torch

becoming the sole stockholder. Torch has engaged an investment banking firm to advise it whether $.50 per share would represent fair value for the minority shares. However, there can be no assurance that the proposed merger will be consummated. The Company has not entered into a merger agreement, and in the event the Company does enter into such an agreement, it is anticipated that the agreement would contain a substantial number of conditions to its consummation, including approval of a majority of the unaffiliated stockholders voting on the merger.

Moreover, the transaction would require the Company to file proxy and other materials with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and no such filings have yet been made. Solicitation of stockholder approval of the merger will be made only be means of definitive proxy materials. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the merger, as presently contemplated, will ultimately be consummated or the timing thereof.

CONTACT: Lisa A. Elliott of Energy Assets International, 713-759-0336

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FALLS CHURCH, VA. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - QuesTech, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: QTEC) announced the first commercial sale of a new packaging technology developed in a joint venture with Rampart Packaging of Williamsburg, Va.

The agreement between QuesTech and Royal Dutch Shell Corporation involves the guaranteed purchase of machines, to be utilized outside the United States, employing the patent to manufacture barrier-layer plastic containers. The agreement guarantees the purchase of machines to be delivered over a 10-year period. In addition, a separate agreement between QuesTech's subsidiary, QuesTech Ventures, Inc., and Royal Dutch Shell was entered into for the further development of the patented barrier-layer technology. QuesTech will be able to utilize the results of this development in exploitation of its U.S. business.

Vincent L. Salvatori, president and chief executive officer, QuesTech, stated that he is pleased that QuesTech was able to expand into the commercial market with its long-term agreement with Royal Dutch Shell Corporation. Salvatori stated that this agreement was the first result of the investment QuesTech, Inc. has made over the last five years in developing this new technology and represents the substantial beginning of QuesTech's U.S. commercial exploitation of this patent. The true value of the agreement is indeterminate at this time, but is estimated in the tens of millions.

Plans to exploit this technology within the United States are being formulated at this time.

CONTACT: Vincent L. Salvatori, president and chief executive officer,

QuesTech, 703-760-1005

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - VeriFone Inc. (NASDAQ: VFIC) and PBS National Datacast Inc., a subsidiary of the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS), today announced an agreement to provide VeriCast, a new offering that enables retail merchants to receive faster, more economical credit card authorizations via local database access facilitated by television airwaves. The agreement was announced here at the American Bankers Association (ABA) National Bankcard Convention. VeriCast is currently available on a pilot basis and is scheduled for commercial availability in the United States in the first quarter of 1991.

The VeriFone-PBS announcement follows the announcement last June by Data Broadcasting Technologies Inc. (DBTI), a subsidiary of Financial News Network Inc., of a five-year agreement with VeriFone to provide vertical banking interval (VBI) data receivers for the delivery of VeriCast. An Efficient, Cost-effective Alternative

Today, the majority of merchants perform credit card authorization using standard dial-up communications. Due to response time and cost factors, dial-up local access may not be feasible for retail environments characterized by long lines and low-value transactions -- e.g., fast food outlets, movie theaters, parking lots and garages, and gas stations in certain locations.

VeriCast can provide an efficient, cost-effective alternative by downloading files on credit cards into a local database. Many authorizations can then be processed against these local files, thereby increasing the speed and reducing the cost of the transactions.

"VeriCast is a significant addition to VeriFone's family of value-added communications products, which are designed to make Transaction Automation feasible and affordable for merchants who may not even accept credit cards today," said Ashok Narasimhan, vice president of market and product development at VeriFone. "Moreover, VeriCast illustrates VeriFone's commitment to provide our customers with a range of new communications options for expanding existing markets and creating new markets. For niche retailers with 500 or more locations, VeriCast is designed to make credit card transactions as fast as cash transactions and completely cost-justified. Private-label cards and check guarantee represent other markets of opportunity due to the ready accessibility of the files." Strategic Partners

"We are pleased that VeriFone has chosen us as their broadcast partner for VeriCast," said Neil Mahrer, chief executive officer of PBS National Datacast. "The synergy of this team will serve as a powerful force in extending the boundaries of the Transaction Automation industry."

VeriCast incoroporates the data delivery technology of PBS National Datacast, the first commercially available point-to-multipoint service utilizing the vertical banking interval (VBI). The blank portion of television signals, VBI provides the equivalent of 10 9600-baud data channels, with a high degree of error detection and correction. As a result, large credit card files can be downloaded to numerous retail locations concurrently with speed and accuracy. The merchant's database of card information is updated daily to ensure correct authorization while significantly reducing transaction response time and cost.

"VeriCast is a prime example of the Fourth Wave of Computing. We are moving the 'point of power' closer to the end user, who may not even know that he or she is using a computer," Narasimhan added. How VeriCast Works

VeriCast uses the same technology as closed-captioning, a method that allows the hearing-impaired to watch television with subtitles. VeriCast users will be able to receive the VBI signal through a cable television connection or a special, low-cost antenna.

Credit card information is sent over a network line to PBS, where it is processed and encoded in the VBI of PBS's program schedule. With the use of satellites, the video signal is broadcast to local television stations, where the information is associated with the local PBS signal. At the merchant's location, a VeriCast VBI data receiver captures, decodes and stores the information. A VeriFone Transaction Automation system then processes credit card transactions against the file, which may reside in the store or at a central location for access by multiple stores in the same area. The VBI signal is transmitted to all locations that receive PBS programming and is priced by the broadcast hour. Consequently, VeriCast should be most cost-effective for customers with 500 or more locations, who are spending at least $50 per month on dial-up communications. Price and Availability

Customers will have multiple options for acquiring VeriCast. They may purchase the VBI data receivers and lease the VBI communications channel or lease the entire package, thereby eliminating the need for capital expenditures. Customers interested in launching pilot programs may qualify for special rates. VeriFone should be contacted directly for all VeriCast pricing information.

VeriCast is currently availale for pilots. VeriFone expects to make it generally available in the United States in the first quarter of 1991. The Companies

VeriFone, based in Redwood City, Calif., is a leading supplier of Transaction Automation systems used to deliver payment processing and other financial services to the retail and petroleum industries worldwide. In addition, VeriFone is developing new market segments for Transaction Automation, such as fast food, health care and government. The company has 30 offices located

throughout North America and in London; Paris; Madrid; the Hague; Sydney; Taipei; Singapore; and Bangalore, India. VeriFone has shipped more than 1.5 million Transaction Automation systems to date.

PBS National Datacast Inc., based in Alexandria, Va., is a for-profit subsidiary of the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS). The National Datacast service has a variety of applications, including interactive video for education, sports, advertising and TV games, software distribution and computer-to-computer communications.

Data Broadcasting Technologies Inc., a Fairfax, Va.-based subsidiary of Financial News Network Inc. (NASDAQ: FNNI), is a leading developer and supplier of VBI data receiver technology. This technology has become the state-of-the-art for high-quality, high-speed data delivery and has been successfully employed for applications such as stock quote services for the last several years.

CONTACT: Tod Bottari of VeriFone, 415-598-5570; or Doug Molitor of Regis McKenna, 415-354-4495, for VeriFone; or Steve Stickells of Data Broadcasting Technologies, 703-359-6182; or Mike Garr of PBS National Datacast, 703-739-5400; or Steve Drake of Fleishman Hillard, 202-659-0330, for PBS National Datacast; or Amber Gordon of Quest Business Agency, 703-359-6404, for Data Broadcasting Technologies

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BRANCHBURG, NJ (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Air & Water Technologies Corporation (AMEX: AWT), a leading environmental treatment and services company, today announced that it has issued and sold $100 million aggregate principal amount of 10.48 percent unsecured Senior Notes Due 2000 to The Prudential Insurance Company of America in a private placement. The company also announced today that it has established a $70 million unsecured credit facility with The First National Bank of Chicago as agent bank.

According to Eckardt C. Beck, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Air & Water Technologies, "the ability to transition the company from a leveraged buyout to investment grade credit in just over three years is a tribute to the operating managers and employees of the company. It is their accomplishments that have made it possible for the company to have replaced its high yield debt and gained the sufficient liquidity and flexibility and a strong capital structure necessary to take full advantage of the growth opportunities we see in our markets for the 1990s. This financing, coupled with prior financing transactions including the sale of $115 million of unsecured convertible debentures, lowers the Company's weighted average interest rate to 9.2 percent from 13.2 percent and leaves the Company with a strong balance sheet and substantial cash."

The proceeds from the $100 million Senior Notes will be used for general corporate purposes including finalizing the repurchase or redemption of the Company's outstanding Senior Subordinated Debentures Due April 15, 1998 (the "Subordinated Debentures") and its outstanding Senior Extendible Notes Due April 15, 2000 (the "Extendible Notes") originally issued to accomplish the buyout of Research-Cottrell in 1987. The company has previously repurchased approximately $155 million principal amount of the $160 million originally issued Extendible Notes and $57.4 million of the $90 million originally issued Subordinated Debentures and is currently offering to purchase all of its outstanding Subordinated Debentures at a price of $1,090 for each $1,000 principal amount thereof, together with accrued and unpaid interest up to the date of repurchase.

Air & Water Technologies Corporation, through its operating units, Research-Cottrell, Inc., Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: METC), and Residuals Management Group, provides a broad range of environmental services in the areas of air pollution control, water resource management, and waste by-product disposal and reuse.

CONTACT: Lucinda Edmonds of Air & Water Technologies Corp., 617-245-1484.

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SALISBURY, N.C. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Food Lion, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FDLN) has declared, as of September 18, 1990, a cash dividend of $.03375 per share on the oustanding Class A common shares and $.03300 per share on the outstanding Class B common shares of the Corporation.

The dividend will be payable on October 30, 1990 to shareholders of record as of October 18, 1990.

CONTACT: Dan A. Boone, Vice President of Finance and Treasurer, Food Lion, Inc., 704-633-8250

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ALPHARETTA, GA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Communications Assocates Inc. (NYSE: DCA) today announced it has begun shipping IRMA WorkStation for Windows -- new software for a wide variety of communications between personal computers (PCs) using Microsoft Windows 3.0 and mainframe or mini-computers.

"IRMA WorkStation for Windows is an important connectivity tool for the Windows environment where access to mainframe or mini-computer data is required," said Jerry Buran, vice president of DCA's PC Communications Products.

IRMA WorkStation for Windows offers users a variety of connectivity schemes

for PCs communicating with an IBM 3270 mainframe (synchronous communications), including direct connections over coaxial cable and remote connections over telephone lines. IRMA WorkStation for Windows supports five concurrent 3270 terminal and printer emulation sessions.

In addition, IRMA WorkStation for Windows supports asynchronous connections, enabling users to communicate with a mini-computer, such as a DEC VAX, or other PCs, bulletin boards or dial-up information services.

"IRMA WorkStation for Windows supports a number of communications interfaces and that's important to us," said Rick Eder, information technology coordinator with Eastman Kodak Co. "DCA covers all the bases -- with 3270, asynchronous and standalone environments -- this provides the flexibility needed to get the most out of Windows."

IRMA WorkStation for Windows is the first DCA product to incorporate its new Standard IRMA Script Language (SISL) which aids in the development of a wide range of sophisticated connectivity tools. SISL supports Windows 3.0's Dynamic Data Exchange (DDE) feature, which allows the exchange of information between applications through a script while the user has an active emulation session.

Because IRMA WorkStation for Windows supports a number of connectivity adapters from both DCA and IBM, it enables users to keep their existing communications hardware. IRMA WorkStation for Windows also supports popular file transfer programs for both synchronous and asynchronous communications environments.

IRMA WorkStation for Windows is currently available through DCA's standard distribution channel for a suggested retail price of $495.

Located 30 miles north of Atlanta, DCA designs, manufactures and markets products worldwide that enhance the productivity of personal computer users.

CONTACT: Margaret Owens of DCA, 404-442-4521; INVESTORS CONTACT: Kathy Hassett of DCA, 404-442-4268.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Russ Togs, Inc., (NYSE: RTS) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of five cents per share on common stock payable Oct. 15, 1990 to stockholders of record as of Sept. 28, it was announced by Ken Sitomer, president of Russ Togs.

At the same time, the company declared the regular quarterly dividend of 47-1/2 cents per share on series $1.90 cumulative convertible preferred stock payable Nov. 1, 1990 to holders of record Sept. 28.

CONTACT: Bob Perilla Associates, Inc., 212-581-5775, for Russ Togs

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Permian Partners L.P. (NYSE: PPApr) (Permian) today announced the declaration of a preferred quarterly distribution of $0.2875 per unit for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, to holders of cumulative convertible preference units on Oct. 1, 1990. The distribution will be paid on the earlier of Nov. 30, 1990, or promptly upon the closing of the pending tender offer by National Intergroup Inc. for all outstanding preference units.

The cumulative convertible preference units of Permian are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "PPApr." Permian is engaged in the business of purchasing, selling, and transporting crude oil and other oil field liquids.

CONTACT: Bob Colburn of Permian Partners L.P., 713-787-2222.

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DALLAS, (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Howard B. Wolf Inc. (AMEX: HBW), Dallas based women's fashion manufacturer reported results for the first quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 reflecting net sales of $2,431,438 and net income of $61,857, or 6 cents per share. Comparative results for the first quarter last year were net sales of $2,569,860 and net income of $102,704, or 10 cents per share.

The board of directors declared a special dividend of 5 cents per share payable Oct. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 9, 1990.

HOWARD B. WOLF INC.
Three months ended
August 31,

	1990	1989
Net sales	$2,431,438	$2,569,860
Income before federal income tax	$ 91,057	$ 143,834
Net income	$ 61,857	$ 102,704
Net income per share	$ .06	$ .10
Average number of shares outstanding	1,056,191	1,056,191

CONTACT: Eugene K. Friesen of Howard B. Wolf Inc., 214-823-9941

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CINCINNATI (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Lexington ("First Federal"), a $130 million savings and loan association located in Lexington, Ky. and Provident Bancorp, Inc., (NASDAQ: PRBK) ("Provident"), a $2.3 billion bank holding company located in Cincinnati jointly announced the signing of a definitive agreement to enter into a merger conversion transaction whereby First Federal will adopt a Plan of Conversion and Acquisition which will result in it becoming a wholly owned savings and loan subsidiary of Provident. In conjunction with the transaction First Federal depositors will be offered the opportunity to subscribe for stock of Provident in a "Subscription Offering." The transaction is subject to First Federal member approval and receipt of necessary regulatory approvals.

First Federal, has three offices in the Lexington, Ky. area and one in nearby Georgetown, Ky. Provident's subsidiaries currently provide banking services through offices in Cincinanti, Cleveland and Columbus, Ohio and in Northern Kentucky.

Allen L. Davis, president of Provident stated, "First Federal is an excellent financial institution in a very attractive market. We are excited about the prospect of working with First Federal's directors, officers and employees. We believe this merger will offer greater opportunity for the employees as well as new products, services and conveniences to customers."

Joseph E. Mainous, chairman, and Lloyd J. Smith, president of First Federal, in a joint statement said, "This merger allows us to offer greatly expanded financial services to this marketplace. It provides the opportunity for us to compete on equal footing with major financial institutions. First Federal is a very highly rated company, well-positioned to take advantage of our solid reputation while Provident has a long history of successful operation and has been an outstanding corporate citizen in Cincinnati. Our customers, employees and the community will significantly benefit from the combination of these very successful organizations.

CONTACT: Mark Magee, general counsel of Provident Bancorp, Inc., 513-579-2861; or Lloyd J. Smith, president and CEO of First FS & LA of Lexington, 606-253-2605

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DALLAS (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - UtiliCorp United (NYSE: UCU) today announced that it expects declines in third quarter net income and primary earnings per common share compared with the 1989 period.

The company noted that it is on target to achieve record results for 1990 provided that it receives adequate electric rate relief in a pending request at its Missouri Public Service division. A decision is expected in early

October.

UtiliCorp also announced that it filed applications with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and various state regulatory agencies to obtain approval to issue up to 4,000,000 shares of common stock through a public offering and to implement a $250 million medium-term note program. UtiliCorp common stock closed on Sept. 14, 1990 at $18 per share.

Net proceeds of the financings will be used to reduce short-term debt incurred as a result of capital expenditures at Missouri Public Service and for other capital and acquisition-related expenditures.

For the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, UtiliCorp expects net income of $10.2 million, compared to $11.3 million in the 1989 period, and primary earnings per share are estimated to be $.35, compared with $.45 in last year's quarter. Operating revenues are estimated at $154 million, versus $140 million in the prior third period.

Average common shares outstanding increased from 20.8 million in last year's third quarter to 23.5 million in this year's period. The increase is primarily due to a public offering of two million new shares in December 1989.

For the nine-month period this year, net income is expected to be $37.9 million and earnings per share are projected at $1.38, compared to net income of $34.4 million and earnings per share of $1.48 in the same period last year. Operating revenues for the first nine months of this year are expected to be $582 million, versus $495 million in last year's nine-month period. UtiliCorp Chairman and President Richard C. Green Jr. attributed the decline in third quarter results to the need for electric rate relief at Missouri Public Service. UtiliCorp is seeking a rate increase of $25.5 million annually, primarily to pay for the costs of an extensive rebuild at the company's Sibley Generating Station. The company also is seeking a gas rate increase of $4.7 million annually with a decision expected in January 1991.

Green noted that a combination of adequate rate relief and implementation of cost cutting and other efficiencies at UtiliCorp's regulated utility operations should help the company achieve a record year.

UtiliCorp's PSI subsidiary is expected to contribute approximately 23 percent of UtiliCorp's total net income this year. PSI contributed $5.3 million or 11 percent of total UtiliCorp net income in 1989.

"PSI has become a substantial contributor to UtiliCorp's bottom line," Green said. "It's a success because five years ago PSI's management recognized the opportunities that were about to be created by deregulation of the natural gas industry."

PSI recently took an additional step to enhance its gas supply base. It has

signed a letter of intent to acquire the Elk City Natural Gas Gathering and Processing facilities located in western Oklahoma for approximately $30 million. The system would be purchased from Valero Hydrocarbons L.P., a subsidiary operating partnership of Valero Natural Gas Partners, L.P. (NYSE: VLP). It is anticipated that the transaction will be completed in October 1990.

CONTACT: Roger Dick 816-421-6600 or Ed Muncaster 214-220-0403, both for UtiliCorp United

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Pep Boys -- Manny, Moe & Jack (NYSE: PBY) announced that the board of directors today declared a quarterly dividend of $.03 per share on the outstanding common stock of the company, payable on Oct. 29, 1990, to holders of record as of the close of business on Oct. 15.

CONTACT: Michael J. Holden, senior vp-finance and treasurer of Pep Boys, 215-227-9202

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesa Offshore Trust (NYSE MOS) today announced the trust income distribution for the month of Sept. 1990. Unitholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990, will receive a distribution amounting to $543,404.07 or $.007549 per unit payable on Oct. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Terry Sciba of Texas Commerce Bank, 713-236-6369, for Mesa Offshore Trust

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RICHMOND, Va. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Investors Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: INVF) ("Investors"), the parent company of Investors Savings Bank announced today that Robert G. Butcher, Jr., Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of both Investors Financial Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Investors Savings Bank, has resigned from both positions effective by the end of 1990. Mr. Butcher, an attorney, has been Chairman of the Board since the founding of the company in 1974. He became the full-time Chief Executive Officer of the company on January 1, 1981. He had been a partner in the law firm of Browder, Russell, Morris & Butcher prior to assuming the CEO role at Investors.

Mr. Butcher made the following statement: "It goes without saying that I have strong emotional ties to and remain a significant shareholder of Investors.

We have seen the company grow from one branch and capital of $1 million to the largest thrift retail franchise in Virginia with equity capital of approximately $65 million. Our strategy, prior to the passage of the new savings and loan legislation last year, had been to build a diversified financial services company with a large retail banking franchise. Changes in the law affecting the industry have been extensive and unprecedented. Investors will focus its ongoing mission as a traditional financial institution. My interest in activities which are no longer permitted because of the new legislation can best be served outside of Investors. I am convinced the company will continue to compete effectively given its new direction and mission. I remain committed to the company and will assist in any way I can to support the company through these challenging times."

W. Wardlaw Thompson, Jr., retired President of Virginia Tractor Company, will serve as Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors to work with Mr. Butcher and other members of Executive Management to coordinate a smooth transition. Upon the effective date of Mr. Butcher's resignation and until a successor is appointed, Mr. Thompson will assume the responsibilities of Chairman of the Board for Investors Financial Corporation and Investors Savings Bank, with Steven C. DeLaney and Warner L. Blunt, III reporting to him as CEO's of those respective corporations. Currently, Mr. DeLaney is President of Investors Financial Corporation and Mr. Blunt is President of Investors Savings Bank.

Mr. Thompson offered the following comments on behalf of the Board of Directors:

"It is with deep regret that we accept Bob Butcher's resignation. We recognize however, that significant changes have been made in our future business strategies in the past year, particularly with regard to real estate, which is an area of particular interest for Mr. Butcher. The Board sincerely appreciates his many contributions to the company over the past fourteen years in building the company into what is now the second largest thrift institution in Virginia. Perhaps his greatest accomplishment was the assembling of an outstanding management team which we are confident will guide the company through today's challenging environment. We go forward wishing Mr. Butcher the best in future endeavors knowing that we will have his continued support."

Investors Financial Corporation is a unitary savings and loan holding company headquartered in Richmond, Virginia. Its primary subsidiary, Investors Savings Bank, an FDIC-insured, state-chartered savings and loan association, operates 50 banking offices in the Richmond, Tidewater anbd Shenandoah Valley areas of Virginia.

CONTACT: Tracey L. Beckler, Investor Relations, or Cary A. Morris, Senior Vice President, Investors Financial Corporation, 804-323-4500 (Richmond), 1-800-572-3366 (Virginia), or 1-800-654-1010 (U.S.A.)

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HARRISBURG, Pa. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Harsco Corp. (NYSE: HSC) today announced that its BMY-Combat Systems Division has been awarded a major U.S. Army contract for the production of the M109A6 Howitzer Improvement Program (HIP).

The contract calls for the delivery of 44 modernized M109 howitzers beginning in the spring of 1992. Initial funding of $37 million has been committed against a total contract value that could reach $74 million pending final negotiations. The contract follows two earlier awards to the division totalling just over $30 million for the purchase of long-lead time materials and to prepare for actual HIP production start-up. A follow-on production contract for additional vehicles is expected next year. Ultimately, the U.S. Army anticipates modernizing as many as 1,000 of its M109 howitzers.

Culminating over $120 million of research and development that began five years ago on the part of the U.S. government, Harsco and Harsco's industrial teammates, HIP production signals achievement of a critical U.S. Army objective, artillery modernization through upgrade. Building upon the combat tested M109, the HIP howitzer gives artillery commanders tactical and survivability advantages never before available. An integrated Automatic Fire Control system, designed and built by Honeywell Inc. (NYSE: HON), a BMY teammate under the HIP program, allows the howitzer to automatically compute firing data using on-board computers. This capability, combined with an on-board position location/navigation system, enables the vehicle to rapidly move into position, set-up, and fire in less than 60 seconds, far faster than now possible with current M109s. Additionally, cannon range has been increased by 33 percent. Type classification as the M109A6 occurred earlier this year after intensive field testing and follow-on refinement.

As prime contractor and systems integrator, the BMY-Combat Systems Division will be responsible for fabricating the M109A6's all new aluminum turret and integrating its advanced fire control and navigation systems. Refurbished and upgraded M109 chassis will be supplied to BMY from the Army's Letterkenny Depot in Chambersburg, Pa. Final assembly and delivery of completed vehicles will take place at the division's York, Pa., plant. Later stages of the program call for vehicle chassis to be refurbished by U.S. Army facilities in Europe, again using BMY- build turrets and systems integration support.

Considerable interest on the part of NATO and allied users of the M109 howitzer has been expressed in the cost-effective HIP concept. Earlier in the year the Army hosted a live-fire demonstration of HIP that drew an enthusiastic, international attendance. Declining budgets amid continuing global defense requirements distinguish HIP as an attractive means of artillery modernization.

Harsco Corp. is a diversified, international, industrial company headquartered in Camp Hill, Pa. The company's 12 divisions provide products and services for defense, industrial, commercial and construction applications from more than 270 facilities in 32 states and 15 countries.

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ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Wetterau Inc. (NASDAQ: WETT) today announced the filing of a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to a proposed offering of $75 million of convertible subordinated debentures due 2000. The company also granted the underwriters an option for 30 days to purchase up to an additional $11.25 million of debentures The debentures are convertible into common stock of the company at a conversion to be determined at the time of pricing.

Net proceeds from the proposed offering will be used to repay commercial paper and other borrowings incurred for various corporate purposes including capital expenditures, repurchase of the company's common stock and acquisitions.

Goldman, Sachs & Co., Prudential-Bache Capital Funding and Howard, Weil, Labouisse, Friedrichs Inc. will co-manage the offering.

Wetterau Inc., with sales in excess of $5 billion, ranks as the nation's third largest publicly owned wholesale food distributor, as well as a major supermarket retailer. In addition, the company is actively engaged in general merchandise distribution, insurance protection, bakery products, commercial construction, transportation services, financing and leasing, data processing, training and communication services. Wetterau is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol WETT.

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#90261p5815 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Freeport-McMoRan Oil and Gas Royalty Trust (NYSE: FMR) announced today that the September distribution amount, to which unit holders of record on Sept. 28, 1990 will be entitled, will be $1,091,750 or approximately $.0729 per unit. This amount will be paid to unit holders on Oct. 10, 1990, the regularly quarterly payment date.

This monthly distribution is not necessarily indicative of future monthly distribution amounts, which will depend on future costs incurred and revenues received.

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#90261p5832 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Jim Wisener, former director of Human Resources at Standard Brands Paint Co., ' (NYSE: SBP) was elected vice president, Home Decorating Centers effective Sept. 1, 1990. Wisener, who holds a bachelor of arts degree in Marketing and a master of business administration from Cal State University, will report to Standard Brands Paint Company President Eric Beck and will be primarily responsible for store operations of the company's Home Decorating Centers.

Jim Theobald, a 24-year SBP veteran, has been appointed vice president, Retail Development at SBP. Theobald will spearhead the development of innovative sales programs within the company's Home Decorating Centers to promote crossover consumer sales and generate additional store revenues. Arrangements have been made with Fine Finish French Windows & Doors and California Closet Company for the installation of special order desks in selected Standard Brands Home Decorating Centers on a trial basis to market test this concept.

Standard Brands Paint Company currently serves do-it-yourself customers from 128 Home Decorating Centers throughout 8 western states by providing exceptional value to customers through in depth selections of paint, wallcovering, window treatment, floorcovering and art supplies at everyday low prices, supported by friendly, expert project advice.

Within the next year, Standard Brands plans to open new Home Decorating Centers in Fresno, Ontario, San Diego, Compton, San Leandro, Alhambra and El Centro, Calif.; Phoenix, Ariz. and Las Vegas, Nev.

Headquartered in Torrance, Calif., Standard Brands Paint Company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SBP.

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#90261p5833 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase was effective today at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay: $32.25 for West Texas Intermediate $30.25 for West Texas Sour $32.75 for South

Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E50. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90261p5838 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Hycroft Resources & Development Corporation announces that, following near record gold production of 9,200 ounces in July, 8,300 ounces of gold were produced at the Crofoot/Lewis mine in August. During the recent rally in gold prices the company undertook a forward sale program and now has 83,000 ounces of gold sold forward through the period to December 1992 at an average price of $428 per ounce.

A deep drilling program at the Crofoot/Lewis mine is scheduled to start in the third week of September 1990, with at least three diamond drill holes totalling 1,200m (4,000 feet) planned to be completed by the end of October. Deep drilling completed earlier this year tested for high grade feeder mineralization below the existing open pit. The current $500,000 program will test CSAMT geophysical anomalies which suggest that the feeder zones are outside the present mining area.

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#90261p5843 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - American Stores Co. (NYSE: ASC) announced today that its board of directors has authorized management to explore the sale of Acme Markets Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary headquartered in Malvern, Penn. Acme Markets, which operates 275 supermarkets in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, New York and Virginia, had sales of $3.3 billion and pre-LIFO operating profits of $97.1 million in fiscal 1989.

The company stated that Lehman Brothers, which has been retained to act as the exclusive agent in soliciting bids for Acme, has indicated there are a number of parties which may be interested in the chain.

Acme Markets Inc. headquartered in Malvern, Penn., operates 275 supermarkets in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, New York and Virginia. Acme is the market leader in the Philadelphia area. In addition to tis comprehensive store network, Acme has an office complex and extensive

warehouse and distribution support facilities.

For the first half of fiscal year 1990, Acme Markets had sales of $1,662,260,000 and pre-LIFO operating profits of $46,880,000, an increase over the prior year period of 3.7 percent in sales and 14.5 percent in operating profits.

As previously reported by the company, under the terms of a consent decree entered into with the California Attorney General, American Stores is required to dispose of its remaining Alpha Beta stores in southern California within five years. The company is exploring various alternatives for such a disposition, including the possible sale of these stores.

American Stores Company is the nation's largest food and drug retailer with 1,895 stores in 38 states and 168,000 employees. Its operating subsidiaries include: Acme Markets Inc. of Malvern, Penn.; Jewel Food Stores of Melrose Park, Ill.; Star Markets of Cambridge, Mass.; Buttrey Food and Drug of Great Falls, Mont.; Skaggs Alpha Beta of Richardson, Texas; American Drug Stores Inc. and Osco Drug of Oakbrook, Ill.; Sav-on Drug of Anaheim, Calif.; Alpha Beta Company of La Habra, Calif.; and Lucky Stores Inc. of Dublin, Calif.

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#90261p5845 09/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CUPERTINO, Calif. (SEPT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Measurex Corp. (NYSE: MX) announced today third qurter net income was $5.5 million on revenue of $65.9 million.

Although down from 1989's comparable period, third-quarter results for orders, revenue and earnings improved over 1990's second quarter.

Revenue for the quarter, which ended Sept. 2, 1990, declined 8 percent from $72.0 million in 1989's third quarter. Net income for the third quarter was 46 percent lower than last year's $10.1 million in the comparable quarter, which ended Sept. 3, 1989. Income per share was $.31, a decrease of 43 percent from $.54 in last year's third quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $16.7 million, or $.93 a share, compared to $29.9 million, or $1.59 a share, during the comparable 1989 period. Revenue for the first nine months was $197.0 million, compared to $212.4 million a year ago.

System backlog at the end of the quarter was $103 million, slightly above the total at the end of 1990's second quarter but 6 percent down from $110 million at the end of 1989's third quarter.

For the third quarter, new system orders were $41 million, compared to $40 million in 1989's third quarter. For the first nine months of 1990, orders were $118 million, a decrease of 15 percent from $139 million during the comparable period a year ago.

Third quarter orders for pulp and paper systems were just above last year's total for the comparable quarter, reflecting an improvement in United States orders. European orders, though down from last year's high third quarter, continue to account for more than 40 percent of the total. Industrial Systems Group orders decreased slightly this quarter from a year ago after an outstanding second quarter in 1990.

"United States orders for pulp and paper systems rebounded in this normally slow third quarter. Although we are pleased by these results, we continue to maintain tight control on spending," said Measurex President and Chief Executive Officer David A. Bossen.

To date, in accordance with a "standstill" agreement signed in the second quarter, Harnischfeger Industries Inc., has acquired on the open market about 14 percent of the outstanding stock of Measurex. Under the terms of the agreement, Harnischfeger may purchase up to 20 percent of Measurex's stock.

The Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of $.11 a share, payable Oct. 17 to stockholders of record on Oct. 3. This was unchanged from the prior quarter.

Measurex, which stands for measurement excellence, provides the world with computer-integrated manufacturing through design, production, marketing and servicing of sensor-based information and control systems.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 18) TASS - RASHIT KHAMIDULIN WAS APPOINTED SOVIET AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY TO THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM.

DMITRY KACHIN WAS RELEASED OF HIS DUTIES AS SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO VIETNAM DUE TO HIS RETIREMENT.

KHAMIDULIN WAS BORN IN 1936. HE IS TATAR. IN 1960, HE GRADUATED FROM THE MOSCOW STATE INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

KHAMIDULIN HAS BEEN IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE SINCE 1960. IN 1960-1964, HE WORKED IN THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN VIETNAM AND IN 1966-1971, IN THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN CAMBODIA. HE SERVED AS COUNSELLOR-ENVOY OF THE USSR EMBASSY IN LAOS

FROM 1980 TO 1983.

IN 1987, KHAMIDULIN WAS APPOINTED AS DEPUTY HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ASIAN SOCIALIST COUNTRIES AND WORKED IN THIS OFFICE UNTIL 1988.

KHAMIDULIN HAS SERVED AS SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO CAMBODIA SINCE MAY, 1988. HE HAS THE DIPLOMATIC RANK OF AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 18) TASS - NANCY REAGAN INSPECTED THE ALL-UNION CHILDREN'S BURN-TREATMENT CENTER IN MOSCOW TODAY. SHE AND HER HUSBAND RONALD REAGAN ARE VISITING THE USSR AT THE INVITATION OF PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV.

NANCY WAS WELCOMED AT THE HOSPITAL WITH A BOUQUET OF RED ROSES. AFTER A SHORT CEREMONY, SHE INSPECTED THE HOSPITAL WARDS.

SMILING, SHE GREETED ONE OF THE SMALL PATIENTS AND STROKED HIS HAND. THE CHILD REPLIED WITH A RADIANT SMILE.

CHILDREN PRESENTED DO-IT-YOURSELF SOUVENIRS TO NANCY, AND SHE GAVE THEM TOY BEARS.

LATER IN THE DAY, THE HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY PRESENTED TWO CLOVER PATIENT MONITORS AS A GIFT TO THE HOSPITAL TO SUPERVISE PATIENTS IN CRITICAL CONDITION.

ADDRESSING SOVIET MEDICS, NANCY CALLED HER VISIT TO THE CENTER A SMALL STEP TOWARDS STRENGTHENING SOVIET-AMERICAN COOPERATION.

SHE EXPRESSED HOPE FOR THE EXPANSION OF THIS COOPERATION. THE CENTER'S PERSONNEL PRESENTED HER WITH A RUSSIA MATRYOSHKA AND A COMMEMORATION MEDAL.

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#90261t1780 09/18/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT 18) TASS - CHAIRMAN OF THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET (PARLIAMENT) RECEIVED A GROUP OF U.S. LAWYERS, LED BY FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE WILLIAM ROGERS, IN THE KREMLIN TODAY.

THE LAWYERS ARRIVED IN THE SOVIET UNION TO ATTEND THE SOVIET- U.S. CONFERENCE "LAW AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION".

LUKYANOV SPOKE ABOUT THE PARLIAMENT'S ACTIVITY RELATED TO POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC REFORMS IN THE COUNTRY AND EFFORTS TO IMPROVE ETHNIC RELATIONS AND BUILD A RULE-OF-LAW STATE.

ROGERS AND OTHER LAWYERS SAID PERESTROIKA IN THE SOVIET UNION AND NEW

POLITICAL THINKING EVOKED WIDESPREAD INTEREST AMONG THE U.S. PUBLIC.

LUKYANOV AND THE U.S. LAWYERS POINTED TO THE IMPORTANCE OF LEGISLATIVE REGULATION AND LAW FOR SOLVING SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AND DEEPENING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION.

THE SIDES ALSO DISCUSSED SOVIET-U.S. RELATIONS AND A NUMBER OF TOPICAL INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS.

THE MEETING WAS HELD IN AN OPEN AND WELL-MEANING ATMOSPHERE.

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#90261t1786 09/18/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT 18) TASS - PRINCE SAUD AL-FAISAL AL SAUD, THE SAUDI FOREIGN MINISTER, TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE HERE TODAY THAT THE ACCORDS REACHED IN MOSCOW TO RESUME DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES MARKED "AN IMPORTANT STEP ON THE ROAD OF DEVELOPMENT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA".

THE SAUDI PRINCE ARRIVED IN MOSCOW LAST SUNDAY FOR TALKS WITH PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE.

DURING HIS MEETING WITH GORBACHEV ON MONDAY AND TALKS WITH SHEVARDNADZE, THE SIDES EXPRESSED THEIR MUTUAL DESIRE TO RESUME FULL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, INTERRUPTED 52 YEARS AGO AFTER MOSCOW RECALLED THE STAFF OF THE SOVIET DIPLOMATIC MISSION FROM RIYADH.

DURING A NEWS CONFERENCE HERE TODAY, THE SAUDI MINISTER SAID THAT HE WAS "HONOURED TO READ OUT AN ADDRESS FROM THE CUSTODIAN OF THE TWO SACRED MOSQUES TO SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV."

"THE CUSTODIAN EXPRESSES HOPE," THE PRINCE SAID, " THAT THIS STEP WILL ENTAIL FURTHER STRENGTHENING OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES AND RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR PEOPLES WHICH CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE WELFARE OF THE SAUDI AND SOVIET PEOPLES, BUT ALSO TO THE CAUSE OF STRENGTHENING PEACE AND SECURITY IN THE WHOLE WORLD AND THE CREATION OF A NEW WORLD ORDER ON THE BASIS OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THE INTERESTS OF THEIR PEOPLES".

TOUCHING UPON THE DISCUSSION OF THE GULF CRISIS, SAUD AL- FAISAL SAID THAT THE SAUDI VIEWPOINT ON THIS VERY INTRICATE CRISIS WAS RECEIVED WITH UNDERSTANDING BY THE SOVIET SIDE.

"WE ALSO ESTABLISHED," HE SAID, "THAT THERE WAS A CERTAIN SIMILARITY IN OUR APPROACHES TO THE SOLUTION OF THIS CRISIS".

HE STRESSED THAT THE CONTACTS HE HAD IN MOSCOW SHOWED THAT THE TWO SIDES

COUNTED ON THE SETTLEMENT OF THE CRISIS BY PEACEFUL MEANS AND BELIEVE THAT ITS PEACEFUL RESOLUTION "REQUIRES THE COMPLETE FULFILLMENT OF THE RESPECTIVE U.N. SECURITY RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING IRAQ'S OCCUPATION OF KUWAIT".

"THIS, IN TURN, THE SAUDI MINISTER SAID, "FOCUSES ON THE NEED TO WITHDRAW IRAQI TROOPS AND TO RESTORE KUWAIT'S LEGITIMATE RIGHTS, I.E. TO RESTORE THE PRE-AUGUST 2 STATUS QUO".

SAUD AL-FAISAL AL-SAID TOLD JOURNALISTS THAT "THE SOVIET UNION HAD ALWAYS PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THE SOVIET UNION IS ALSO PLAYING A POSITIVE ROLE IN THE SOLUTION OF THE GULF CRISIS, AND WE WELCOME THIS ROLE AND SEEK TO ENCOURAGE IT".

SAUD AL-FAISAL RESOLUTELY OPPOSED ANY ATTEMPTS BY IRAQ TO LINK THE SETTLEMENT OF THE GULF CRISIS WITH THE SOLUTION OF THE PALESTINIAN PROBLEM, BUT STRESSED THAT THE PALESTINIAN PROBLEM NATURALLY NEED SOLUTION.

"HOWEVER, THERE IS NO NEED TO OCCUPY KUWAIT FOR THE PURPOSE," HE ADDED.

ASKED IF SAUDI ARABIA WILL ASK THE UNITED STATE TO WITHDRAW ITS TROOPS AFTER THE GULF CRISIS IS RESOLVED, THE MINISTER SAID THAT THESE TROOPS ARE THERE AT THE REQUEST OF THE SAUDI LEADERSHIP, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION TO ENSURE THE DEFENCE OF HIS COUNTRY AND THAT THESE TROOPS WOULD LEAVE THE COUNTRY "AS SOON AS THEY ARE ASKED TO WITHDRAW" BY THE SAUDI LEADERSHIP.

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UNITED NATIONS (SEPT 18) TASS - FOLLOW AN ABSTRACT FROM THE STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL YULI VORONTSOV ON THE OCCASION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE:

THE ANNUAL OBSERVANCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE IS A PROPITIOUS OCCASION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO REAFFIRM COGNIZANCE OF ITS COLLECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PROMOTION OF PEACE AND GOOD RELATIONS AMONG NATIONS.

THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE THIS YEAR IS BEING OBSERVED AT A TIME WHEN SOME OF THE PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER STAND AT A CRITICAL TEST.

IN THE COURSE OF THE CURRENT YEAR THE AUTHORITY OF THE UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATION HAS BEEN SUCCESSFULLY INVOKED TO PROMOTE AND CONSOLIDATE PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF CERTAIN OUTSTANDING INTERNATIONAL CONFLICTS. THAT IS COMMENDABLE.

IN THE COURSE OF THE SAME YEAR, HOWEVER, FLAGRANT BREACHES OF THE PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER CONTINUE TO BE COMMITTED. THIS POSES A POTENTIAL THREAT TO THE SECURITY OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE. THE

SECURITY COUNCIL IS FULLY COMMITTED TO FINDING PEACEFUL AND FAIR SOLUTIONS TO THESE CONFLICTS.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE CHARTER IS CATEGORICAL AND INCUMBENT UPON EACH AND EVERY MEMBER STATE. THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE SHOULD THREFORE SERVE AS A TIMELY REMINDER TO ALL MEMBER STATES TO REDEDICATE THEMSELVES TO THE PRINCIPLES AND PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS, WHICH FORM THE BASIS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY.

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#90261t1789 09/18/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT 18) TASS - NONE SPOKE OUT AGAINST THE IDEA OF A MARKET-ORIENTED ECONOMY AT TODAY'S SESSION OF THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET PARLIAMENT WHICH DISCUSSED PLANS FOR PUTTING THE COUNTRY ON A MARKET BASIS. ALL AGREED THAT THERE WAS NO ALTERNATIVE TO THE MARKET, BUT DIFFERED ON THE WAYS OF IMPLEMENTING THE TRANSITION.

NUMBER ONE QUESTION IS, OF COURSE, THAT OF SOCIAL GUARANTEES. NIKOLAI TRAVKIN IN AN EMOTIONAL ADDRESS TO THE PARLIAMENT SAID "THERE IS NO MORE TIME LEFT. THE PEOPLE DEMAND: DO SOMETHING, GET MOVING."

ON THE SHATALIN PLAN, THE DEPUTY SAID THAT "IT IS NOT AN HOUR-BY-HOUR SCHEDULE FOR THE MOVEMENT TOWARDS THE MARKET, BUT IT IS MOVEMENT".

HE EXPLAINED THE HASTY APPROVAL OF THE SHATALIN PLAN BY THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT BY THE PRESSURE OF TIME, NOT BY THE DESIRE FOR CONFRONTATION WITH THE CENTRE.

MARSHAL SERGEI AKHROMEYEV VOICED SUPPORT FOR THE TRANSITION TO A MARKET ECONOMY, BUT DEVOTED THE BULK OF HIS SPEECH TO PROBLEMS OF THE SOVIET ARMED FORCES. HE STRESSED THAT "MILITARY DANGER TO THE SOVIET UNION PERSISTS -- NOT AN INVENTED BUT REAL DANGER". AKHROMEYEV BLASTED THE CAMPAIGN TO DISCREDIT THE GOVERNMENT.

DEPUTY VLADIMIR KIRILLOV POINTED TO NUMEROUS SIMILAR COMPONENTS IN THE SHATALIN PLAN AND THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAMME. HE STRESSED THE CENTRAL SIGNIFICANCE OF PRIVATISATION AND CALLED FOR GUARANTEES OF ENTREPRENEURIAL ACTIVITY AND FOREIGN INVESTMENTS.

ACCORDING TO NIKOLAI SAZONOV, THE PROPOSED PLANS HAVE ONE WEEK SPOT IN COMMON -- "THEY FAIL TO REFLECT THE INTERESTS OF THE SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL". HE ADVOCATED AN EVALUATION OF THE NATIONAL PROPERTY, INCLUDING THE PROPERTY OWNED BY PUBLIC ORGANISATION.

SAZONOV ASKED WHICH SOVIET CITIZENS WILL BE ABLE TO PURCHASE STATE ASSETS IN THE COURSE OF THE SELL-OFF AND ANSWERED THAT ONLY "20 PER CENT OF THE POPULATION HAVE SOME CAPITAL, WHILE THE REST LIVE FROM PAYDAY TO PAYDAY".

ACCORDING TO HIM, THERE ARE 100,000 MILLIONAIRES IN THE SOVIET UNION AT PRESENT.

THE PARLIAMENT CONSIDERED A DRAFT RESOLUTION OF THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET ON GRANTING SPECIAL RIGHTS TO THE SOVIET PRESIDENT FOR THE PERIOD OF THE COUNTRY'S TRANSITION TO MARKET RELATIONS. DEPUTIES REFUSED TO APPROVE THE DRAFT AND DECIDE TO SEND IT BACK TO COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS TO BE FINALISED.

DEPUTY YURI BORODIN ADVOCATED "A GOOD PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN TO ACCOMPANY THE TRANSITION".

TOMORROW AND ON THURSDAY, PARLIAMENT MEMBERS WILL WORK IN COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS OF THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET.

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#90261t1790 09/18/1990 ~ts

PECHORA, NORTH RUSSIA (SEPT 18) TASS - A FREIGHT TRAIN CARRYING COAL DERAILED ON MONDAY WHEN LEAVING THE VYLYU STATION BETWEEN THE CITIES OF INTA AND PECHORA IN THE KOMI AUTONOMOUS REPUBLIC.

ONE OF THE TRAIN'S WAGONS HIT A LOCOMOTIVE THAT WAS STANDING ON THE NEXT TRACK.

THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES. MAINTENANCE TEAMS FROM INTA AND PECHORA, RUSHED TO THE SCENE, ARE REPAIRING THE DAMAGED TRACK.

TRAINS ARE NOW USING THE ONLY OTHER TRACK, WHICH REMAINED INTACT.

THE ACCIDENT IS BEING INVESTIGATED.

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#90261t1791 09/18/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW SEPTEMBER 18 TASS - A MEETING WAS HELD AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE WARSAW PACT JOINT ARMED FORCES IN MOSCOW ON MONDAY IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONCLUSION OF THE SERVICE BY GENERALS AND OFFICERS OF EAST GERMANY'S NATIONAL PEOPLE'S ARMY IN WARSAW PACT MILITARY BODIES.

GENERAL PETR LUSHEV, COMMANDER OF THE JOINT ARMED FORCES, TOLD THE MEETING THAT THE WARSAW PACT "HAS EXISTED IN EUROPE FOR 35 YEARS AS A GUARANTOR OF PEACE AND SECURITY".

LUSHEV SPOKE HIGHLY OF THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE EAST GERMAN ARMY TO THE STRENGTHENING OF THE DEFENCE CAPABILITY OF ALLIED COUNTRIES AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN ALLIED ARMIES.

THE GENERAL EMPHASISED THE IMPORTANT ROLE PLAYED BY GENERALS AND OFFICERS OF

THE NATIONAL PEOPLE'S ARMY IN THE ACTIVITY OF COMMAND BODIES OF THE JOINT ARMED FORCES.

REPRESENTATIVES OF ALLIED ARMIES, WHO SPOKE AT THE MEETING, EXPRESSED HOPE THAT "RELATIONS OF FRIENDSHIP AND CAMARADERIE THAT HAVE ESTABLISHED OVER THE YEARS OF JOINT WORK WITH GERMAN GENERALS AND OFFICERS WILL BE MAINTAINED IN THE FUTURE IN THE INTERESTS OF STRONGER PEACE AND EUROPEAN SECURITY".

THE MEETING WAS ADDRESSED BY EAST GERMAN MAJOR-GENERAL GUENTHER MENGER, DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE JOINT ARMED FORCES.

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#90261t1792 09/18/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT 18) TASS - THE MONTREAL CANADIENS LOST TO THE SOVIET CENTRAL ARMY SPORTS CLUB 2-3 IN OVERTIME IN AN EXHIBITION GAME ON TUESDAY.

THIS WAS THE SECOND DEFEAT OF THE NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE TEAM MAKING A FOUR-GAME SOVIET TOUR.

SCORERS:

FOR MONTREAL -- MAC PEDERSON (5TH), SILVER LEFERBUR (26TH)

FOR CENTRAL ARMY SPORTS CLUB -- PAVEL BURE (7TH), SERGEI ZUBOV (33RD), ANDREI KOVALENKO (61ST).

REFEREE: SEPPO MJAKKILY (FINLAND)

AUDIENCE: 11,000.

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#90261u0104 09/18/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 18) UPI - A fuel leak Monday again grounded the shuttle Columbia. Just minutes after fueling began... sensors detected a hydrogen leak in the engine room. NASA then pushed Columbia's flight back to at least October... to give time to launch the shuttle Discovery for what is deemed a more important mission. The delay is the fourth for the Columbia this summer. Three delays were caused by fuel leaks.

Some members of Congress take issue with the administration's proposal to sell 20-Million dollars worth of arms to Saudi Arabia. But lawmakers and other sources said Monday that a direct challenge to the sale is NOT as likely as an attempt to scale it down. Some members intend to question the form that aid takes... as well as to press for more military aid to Israel to retain its edge over potential Arab adversaries.

Geffen Records said Monday that it has canceled its manufacturing and distribution deal with Andrew Dice Clay's label... Def American Recordings. Geffen said it is- ''at odds with Def American's creative philosophy.'' Clay has become the focus of protests because of his abusive remarks toward minorities, gays and women. Geffen previously refused to distribute an album by the rap group Geto Boys.

New York authorities say an inmate of Rikers Island took a female probation officer hostage at a Manhattan court house Monday after being convicted of rape and sodomy. The Correction Department says the 30- year-old convict flattened a mop handle into a makeshift knife while in a court bathroom. He then returned to court and took the woman hostage... and is still holding her more than five hours later.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
New York at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.
Kansas City at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
Chicago at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.
Texas at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.
Detroit at California, 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

San Francisco at Cincinnati, 12:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Atlanta, 5:40 p.m.
Montreal at New York, 7:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
San Diego at Houston, 8:35 p.m.

GAMES

Las Lenas, Argentina - Winter Pan American Games
Tokyo - International Olympic Committee Session

GOLF

Grand Rapids, Mich. - Greater Grand Rapids Senior Open

TENNIS

Paris - Women's $100,000 Clarins Open, Paris.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - A former California state senator was found guilty Monday of racketeering, extortion and conspiracy. Former Senator Paul Carpenter is a current member of the panel that sets taxes in California. He is the second legislator convicted in an F-B-I sting investigation aimed at corruption in Sacremento. As he left the federal courthouse in the capital... a grim-faced Carpenter said- in his words- ''glad hanging isn't an option.''

Newspaper Guild members at the New York Post voted five-to-one Monday to accept layoffs and 20 percent wage cuts to keep the paper alive. One reporter said workers NO longer have a noose around their necks... but now have ''a life sentence.'' Another reporter said the vote was ''very sad.'' Post owner Peter Kalikow insists the cuts are necessary to keep the paper's headlines screaming from newsstands.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
EAST								
Miami	2	0	0	1.000	57	31	2-0	2-0
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	33	40	1-1	1-1
New England	1	1	0	.500	40	41	1-1	1-1
New York Jets	1	1	0	.500	44	46	0-0	1-1
Indianapolis	0	2	0	.000	24	42	0-2	0-2
CENTRAL								
Cincinnati	2	0	0	1.000	46	36	0-0	2-0
Cleveland	1	1	0	.500	34	27	1-0	1-1
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500	23	22	1-1	1-1
Houston	0	2	0	.000	36	67	0-1	0-2
WEST								
LA Raiders	2	0	0	1.000	31	22	2-0	2-0
Kansas City	1	1	0	.500	47	45	0-1	1-1
Denver	1	1	0	.500	33	37	1-1	1-1
San Diego	0	2	0	.000	30	38	0-0	0-2
Seattle	0	2	0	.000	13	34	0-1	0-2

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
EAST								
New York Giants	2	0	0	1.000	55	27	2-0	2-0
Washington	1	1	0	.500	44	26	1-0	1-1
Dallas	1	1	0	.500	24	42	0-1	1-1
Phoenix	1	1	0	.500	23	52	1-1	1-1
Philadelphia	0	2	0	.000	41	50	0-2	0-2
CENTRAL								
Chicago	2	0	0	1.000	48	13	1-0	2-0
Detroit	1	1	0	.500	42	52	0-1	1-1
Green Bay	1	1	0	.500	49	55	0-1	1-1
Minnesota	1	1	0	.500	53	27	0-0	1-1
Tampa Bay	1	1	0	.500	52	56	1-0	1-1
WEST								
San Francisco	2	0	0	1.000	39	25	1-0	2-0
Atlanta	1	1	0	.500	61	48	0-0	1-1
Los Angeles Rams	1	1	0	.500	59	50	0-0	1-1
New Orleans	0	2	0	.000	15	45	0-1	0-2

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - President Bush threatened Monday to veto a bill setting quotas on textiles, apparel and footwear. Bush charges that the bill would violate 38 trade agreements between the United States and other nations. He insists that many of the agreements are ''indispensable'' to efforts to forge an alliance against Iraq for its annexation of Kuwait. The bill is to be considered by the full House Tuesday.

The House voted Monday to establish a memorial to Indians at one of the most famous battlegrounds in the United States... Montana's Little Bighorn. Since 1881... a monument has stood at the site to honor Custer's Last Stand... but there is NO monument to the Native Americans. Democratic Representative Bruce Vento of Minnesota says the monument is needed ''to commemorate the Indians who fought to preserve their land and culture.''

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Baltimore - Called up pitcher Mickey Weston, infielder Juan Bell, catcher

Chris Hoiles and third baseman Leo Gomez from Rochster of International League (AAA).

Cleveland - Traded pitcher Bud Black to Toronto for pitcher Mauro Gozzo and two players to be named later.

Kansas City - Purchased the contracts of first baseman Jeff Conine, catcher Brent Mayne and third baseman Sean Berry from AA Memphis; purchased the contract of pitcher Daryl Smith from AAA Omaha; recalled pitcher Carlos Maldonado from Memphis; placed pitcher Pete Filson and Jim Campbell on the 60-day disabled list.

Milwaukee - Recalled pitcher Narciso Elvira from El Paso of the Texas League (AA).

Minnesota - Bought contract of pitcher Rich Garces from Orlando of Southern League (AA); recalled catcher Lenny Webster from Orlando; placed pitcher David West on 60-day emergency disabled list.

San Francisco - Activated pitcher Rick Reuschel from disabled list.

BASKETBALL

CBA - Granted an expansion franchise for Fort Wayne Indiana for the 1991-92 Season.

COLLEGE

Seton Hall - Named John Wooding associate athletics director- communications.

Southern Cal - Named David Nesbit men's and women's crew coach.

Syracuse - Named Sue Cornelius assistant sports information director.

FOOTBALL

Kansas City - Activated cornerback Albert Lewis; placed running back Kenny Gamble on injured reserve.

LA Raiders - Placed defensive lineman Howie Long on injured reserve; activated quarterback Steve Beuerlein.

New England - Activated linebacker Chris Singleton; placed safety Tony Zackery on injured reserve.

HOCKEY

Quebec - Signed right winger Mats Sundin.

SOCCER

Cleveland - Signed goalkeeper P.J. Johns.

St. Louis (MSL) - Announced goalkeeper Zoltan Toth agreed to terms.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	81	67	.547	-	46-27	35-40	3-7	W-1
Toronto	80	68	.541	1	41-35	39-33	8-2	W-4
Detroit	71	77	.480	10	36-39	35-38	5-5	W-2
Milwaukee	69	78	.466	11 1/2	34-38	35-40	4-6	L-1
Cleveland	68	80	.459	13	37-37	31-43	6-4	W-1
Baltimore	65	81	.445	15	33-39	32-42	4-6	L-4
New York	60	87	.408	20 1/2	32-39	28-48	3-7	L-3
West								
Oakland	94	53	.639	-	47-26	47-27	7-3	L-1
Chicago	85	62	.578	9	45-29	40-33	6-4	W-5
Texas	78	69	.531	16	45-30	33-39	8-2	W-1
California	74	73	.503	20	41-34	33-39	5-5	L-2
Seattle	72	76	.486	22 1/2	37-39	35-37	4-6	L-1
Kansas City	69	78	.469	25	42-33	27-45	3-7	W-2
Minnesota	66	83	.443	29	35-38	31-45	2-8	L-4

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
JoReed 2b	4	0	1	0	Finley rf	5	0	1	0
Evans dh	3	0	1	1	Anderson cf	3	1	1	0
Kutcher dh	0	0	0	0	CRipken ss	5	1	2	0
Boggs 3b	4	0	2	1	Horn dh	5	1	1	2
Burks cf	5	0	1	0	Tettleton c	4	0	1	1
Greenwell lf	5	0	0	0	Gomez 3b	3	0	2	0
Romine rf	4	2	2	0	Segui 1b	3	0	0	0
Marshall 1b	4	1	1	0	McKnight lf	4	0	0	0
Robidoux 1b	1	0	0	0	BRipken 2b	4	0	0	0
Pena c	4	3	2	2					

Rivera ss	3	1	2	0					
Totals	37	7	12	4	Totals	36	3	8	3

Boston	002	300	200-	7
Baltimore	000	030	000-	3

E-Rivera, Gomez 2, Mitchell, S Finley. DP-Baltimore 2. LOB-Boston 10, Baltimore 11. 2B-Marshall, Pena, Horn, Tettleton, Rivera. SF-Evans, Boggs.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Boddicker (W 16-8)	6	7	3	3	4	6
Andersen	2	0	0	0	1	4
Gray	1	1	0	0	0	3
Baltimore						
McDonald (L 7-5)	3 2-3	4	5	4	5	3
Bautista	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	0
Mitchell	2	5	2	1	0	2
Hickey	1	1	0	0	0	1
Taylor	1	0	0	0	0	2

WP-McDonald 2, Mitchell.

Umpires- Home, Kosc; 1b, Morrison; 2b, Roe; 3b, L Barnett.

T-3:38. A-22,826.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi
Kelly cf	5	0	1	1	Wilson cf	3	1	1	0
Mattingly dh	4	1	2	0	Fernandez ss	3	1	1	0
Maas 1b	4	0	2	0	Gruber 3b	3	0	2	1
Hall lf	1	1	1	0	McGriff 1b	4	0	0	0
Meulens lf	4	0	0	0	Bell dh	4	1	0	0
Nokes c	3	0	1	1	Borders c	4	1	2	0
Cerone c	1	0	0	0	Williams rf	4	2	1	2
Azocar ph	1	0	0	0	Lee 2b	4	0	2	1
Barfield rf	1	1	1	2	Hill lf	4	0	0	0
Blowers 3b	3	0	0	0					
Balboni ph	1	0	0	0					
Espinoza ss	4	1	1	0					
Sax 2b	4	0	0	0					
Totals	36	4	9	4	Totals	33	6	9	4

New York	030	010	000-	4
Toronto	030	010	11x-	6

E-Maas. LOB-New York 12, Toronto 6. 2B-Kelly, Mattingly, Borders, Williams.
3B-Gruber, Wilson. HR-Barfield (24). SB- Fernandez 2 (19).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Adkins	4	5	4	3	3	2
Plunk (L 5-3)	4	4	2	2	0	3
Toronto						
Stottlemyre	6	8	4	4	5	4
Cerutti (W 9-9)	1	0	0	0	1	0
Ward	1	0	0	0	0	0
Henke (S 29)	1	1	0	0	1	3

Adkins pitched to three batters in the 5th.

WP-Adkins, Plunk. Balk-Plunk.

Umpires-Home, Palermo; 1b, Reilly; 2b, Garcia; 3b, Hendry.

T-2:55. A-49,902.

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 1b	3	1	2	0	Cole cf	3	2	1	0
Gantner 2b	3	0	0	0	Browne 2b	3	0	3	0
Yount cf	4	0	1	1	Webster lf	3	0	1	0
Parker dh	3	0	1	0	Maldonado rf	3	0	0	1
Deer rf	4	0	1	0	CJames dh	4	1	1	0
Surhoff c	4	0	0	0	Alomar c	3	1	1	0
Hamilton lf	4	0	0	0	Jacoby 3b	4	0	2	0
Spiers ss	4	1	1	0	Manto 1b	3	0	0	0
Sveum 3b	4	0	1	1	Fermin ss	4	0	1	1
Totals	33	2	7	2	Totals	30	4	10	2

Milwaukee	110	000	000-	2
Cleveland	110	001	10x-	4

E-Gantner, Molitor, Sveum. DP- Milwaukee 2. LOB-Milwaukee 7, Cleveland 8.
2B-Molitor, CJames. SB-Cole (30), Webster (21), Spiers (11). S-Gantner, Browne
Alomar. SF-Maldonado.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Higuera (L 10-8)	8	10	4	4	3	3

Cleveland						
Olin (W 4-4)	7	6	2	2	1	3
Jones (S 36)	2	1	0	0	0	2

Balk-Higuera. HBP-Molitor By Olin.

Umpires-Home, Clark; 1b, McCoy; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, Phillips.

T-2:08. A-3,972.

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Thurman rf	4	1	3	0	Munoz rf	4	0	0	0
Seitzer 2b	3	0	0	0	Liriano 2b	4	0	0	0
Conine 1b	3	0	1	0	Puckett lf	4	0	1	0
Perry 1b	1	0	0	0	Hrbek 1b	4	0	0	0
Jackson lf	4	0	1	1	Harper c	4	0	0	0
Morman dh	3	0	1	0	Sorrento dh	3	0	1	0
Schulz ph	1	0	0	0	Gagne pr	0	0	0	0
Macfarlane c	4	0	0	0	Gaetti 3b	3	0	1	0
Pecota ss	4	0	1	0	Mack cf	3	0	2	0
Berry 3b	3	0	0	0	Leius ss	2	0	0	0
Stillwell ss	1	0	0	0					
McRae cf	3	0	1	0					
Totals	34	1	8	1	Totals	31	0	5	0

Kansas City	000	001	000-	1
Minnesota	000	000	000-	0

E-Conine. DP-Kansas City 1, Minnesota 1. LOB-Kansas City 7, Minnesota 5. 2B-Thurman, Pecota, Morman, McRae. SB-Gaetti (6). S-Leius.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Farr (W 11-7)	7	4	0	0	0	4
Crawford	1	1	0	0	0	0
Montgomery (S 20)	1	0	0	0	0	0
Minnesota						
Casian (L 0-1)	7	8	1	1	1	7
Leach	2	0	0	0	0	2

Umpires- Home, Denkinger; 1b, Shulock; 2b, Merrill; 3b, McClelland.

T-2:10. A-10,818.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Calderon dh	5	1	1	0	Henderson lf	2	0	0	0
Johnson cf	5	0	2	1	Jennings lf	2	0	1	0
Fisk c	4	2	2	0	McGee cf	1	0	0	0
Thomas 1b	3	2	2	2	Lewis cf	2	0	0	0
Pasqua lf	4	1	0	1	Canseco rf	2	0	1	0
McCray lf	1	0	0	0	Steinbach 1b	0	0	0	0
Sosa rf	4	0	0	1	Hassey ph	0	0	0	0
Ventura 3b	3	0	1	1	Baines dh	4	0	0	0
Fletcher 2b	4	0	0	0	Lansford 3b	2	0	1	0
Guillen ss	4	1	1	0	Afenir c	2	0	0	0
					McGwire 1b	2	0	0	0
					Howitt rf	1	0	1	0
					Quirk c	3	0	1	0
					Weiss ss	2	0	0	0
					Bordick ss	1	0	0	0
					Randolph 2b	1	0	0	0
					Blanknshp 2b	2	0	0	0
Totals	37	7	9	6	Totals	29	0	5	0

Chicago	402	100	000-	7
Oakland	000	000	000-	0

E-McGwire, Sanderson, Lansford, Thomas. DP-Chicago 3. LOB-Chicago 8, Oakland 5. 2B-Ventura. 3B-L Johnson. HR-Thomas (4). SF-Sosa.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Perez (W 13-14)	9	5	0	0	3	7
Oakland						
Sanderson (L 16-10)	5	7	7	4	1	4
Harris	3	0	0	0	2	1
Klink	1	2	0	0	0	1

Sanderson Pitched To 1 Batter In 6th.

WP-Klink. HBP-Thomas By Sanderson.

Umpires-Home, Brinkman; 1b, Cousins; 2b, Reed; 3b, Cooney.

T-2:47. A-43,953.

TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Pettis cf	4	2	1	0	Reynolds 2b	3	0	0	0

Haselman ph	1	0	0	0	TMartinez 1b	2	0	0	0
Russell lf	0	0	0	0	EMartinez 3b	2	0	2	0
Franco 2b	4	2	2	2	Brumley 2b	1	1	0	0
Kunkel 2b	1	0	0	0	Griffey Jr cf	5	1	2	2
Palmeiro 1b	5	2	5	0	Davis dh	3	0	0	0
Daugherty 1b	0	0	0	0	Cotto dh	2	0	1	1
Sierra rf	5	2	4	2	PO'Brien 1b	3	0	2	0
Belcher rf	0	0	0	0	Schaefer 3b	2	0	0	0
Incaviglia cf	5	2	2	5	Buhner rf	2	0	0	0
Petralli c	2	0	0	0	Briley lf	4	1	1	0
Stanley c	2	0	0	0	Valle c	2	1	1	1
Gonzalez dh	4	0	1	0	Sinatro c	2	0	0	0
Buechele 3b	3	0	1	1	Vizquel ss	3	0	0	0
Coolbaugh 3b	1	0	1	0					
Huson ss	3	0	0	0					
Green ss	2	0	1	0					
Totals	42	10	18	10	Totals	36	4	9	4

Texas	440	020	000-10
Seattle	000	200	002- 4

DP-Seattle 3. LOB-Texas 9, Seattle 10. 2B-Palmeiro, Incaviglia, O'Brien, Valle. HR-Incaviglia (22), Franco (11).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Witt (W 16-9)	5	7	2	2	3	5
Barfield	2	1	0	0	0	0
Bitker	2	1	2	2	2	0
Seattle						
Gardiner (L 0-2)	2-3	5	4	4	1	0
Knackert	1 1-3	5	4	4	1	2
Melendez	2 1-3	3	2	2	1	4
Swan	2 2-3	3	0	0	0	1
Burba	1	1	0	0	0	0
Medvin	1	1	0	0	0	1

WP-Knackert. HBP-By Medvin (Gonzalez).

Umpires-Home, Coble; 1b, Ford; 2b, Evans; 3b, Welke.

T-2:32. A-10,741.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	4	0	0	0	Larkin ss	5	0	1	0
Bass rf	4	0	2	0	Morris 1b	4	0	3	2
Clark 1b	4	0	0	0	Doran 2b	5	0	1	0
Mitchell lf	3	0	0	0	Davis lf	3	1	0	0
Williams 3b	3	0	0	0	O'Neill rf	4	1	1	2
Kennedy c	3	0	0	0	Quinones 3b	5	0	2	0
Dewey p	0	0	0	0	Reed c	4	0	2	0
Thompson 2b	3	0	0	0	Hatcher cf	2	1	2	0
Uribe ss	1	0	0	0	Rijo p	1	1	0	0
Riles ss	1	0	0	0					
Garrelts p	1	0	0	0					
O'Neal p	0	0	0	0					
Leonard ph	1	0	0	0					
Reuschel p	0	0	0	0					
Carter c	1	0	0	0					
Totals	29	0	2	0	Totals	33	4	12	4

San Francisco	000	000	000-	0
Cincinnati	022	000	00x-	4

DP-San Francisco 2. LOB-San Francisco 4, Cincinnati 14. 2B-Bass, Reed 2.
HR-O'Neill (16). SB-Doran (23). S-Rijo 2.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Garrelts (L 12-11)	2	5	4	4	3	0
O'Neal	2	2	0	0	1	1
Reuschel	2	2	0	0	1	2
Dewey	2	3	0	0	2	2
Cincinnati						
Rijo (W 12-7)	9	2	0	0	2	12

Garrelts Pitched To Two Batters In The Third Inning.

Umpires-Home, Froemming; 1b, Pulli; 2b, Rippley; 3b, Darling.

T-2:12. A-24,872.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Javier cf	4	2	1	0	Smith lf	4	1	2	0
Sharpersn 3b	3	1	1	0	Treadway 2b	3	0	1	1

Harris 3b	0	0	0	0	Cabrera ph	1	0	0	0
Daniels lf	4	1	3	1	Mercker p	0	0	0	0
CGwynn lf	0	0	0	0	Kremers c	1	0	0	0
Murray 1b	3	0	3	1	Gant cf	4	1	2	0
Brooks rf	5	0	0	1	Justice rf	2	0	0	0
Scioscia c	3	1	0	1	Gregg 1b	4	0	1	1
Samuel 2b	3	0	1	0	Presley 3b	4	0	0	0
Griffin ss	3	0	0	0	Whitt c	3	0	1	0
Gott p	0	0	0	0	Rosario pr	0	0	0	0
Cook p	0	0	0	0	Olson c	1	0	0	0
Hatcher ph	1	0	0	0	Parrett p	0	0	0	0
Howell p	0	0	0	0	Blauser ss	4	0	0	0
Crews p	2	0	0	0	Leibrandt p	2	0	0	0
Offerman ss	2	0	1	1	Grant p	0	0	0	0
					McDowell ph	1	0	1	0
					Lemke 2b	1	0	0	0
Totals	33	5	10	5	Totals	35	2	8	2

Los Angeles	001	001	111-	5
Atlanta	000	001	010-	2

LOB-Los Angeles 10, Atlanta 9. 2B-Samuel, Murray, Smith. SB-Gant (26). S-Sharperson. SF-Scioscia.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Crews (W 4-5)	5 1-3	3	1	1	1	1
Gott	1 1-3	2	0	0	2	0
Cook	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Howell (S 16)	2	3	1	1	0	5
Atlanta						
Leibrandt (L 8-10)	6 2-3	8	3	3	4	1
Grant	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Mercker	1	1	1	1	1	0
Parrett	1	1	1	1	2	1

WP-Gott, Howell, Parrett.

Umpires-Home, West; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Wendelstedt.

T-3:04. A-3,473.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts lf	5	2	3	0	Rhodes cf	4	0	0	0
Alomar 2b	5	1	1	2	Candaele 2b	4	0	2	0

JaClark 1b	4	1	1	1	Caminiti 3b	2	0	0	0
Carter cf	5	0	2	1	Hennis p	0	0	0	0
Lynn rf	3	0	1	0	Nichols ph	1	0	0	0
Santiago c	4	1	1	0	Meyer p	0	0	0	0
Pagliarulo 3b	4	0	1	0	Simms ph	1	0	0	0
Templeton ss	4	0	1	0	Davis 1b	4	0	1	0
Hurst p	4	0	0	0	Stubbs lf	3	0	0	0
					Ramirez ss	4	0	1	0
					Biggio c	3	0	1	0
					McGriff c	0	0	0	0
					Davidson rf	3	0	1	0
					Darwin p	1	0	0	0
					Rohde 3b	2	0	0	0
Totals	38	5	11	4	Totals	32	0	6	0

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E-Rhodes. DP-San Diego 1. LOB-San Diego 8, Houston 6. 2B-Carter, Roberts 2, Ja Clark, Biggio, Pagliarulo. HR-Alomar (6).

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San Diego						
Hurst (W 10-9)	9	6	0	0	1	4
Houston						
Darwin (L 11-3)	4 1-3	9	5	4	1	3
Hennis	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	2
Meyer	3	2	0	0	1	1

Umpires- Home, Gregg; 1b, Crawford; 2b, Harvey; 3b, Demuth.

T-2:35. A- 6,059.

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#90261u0288 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International: .

The space agency hoped the shuttle Columbia would be in orbit this morning. But its launch has been scrubbed for the fourth time. Another hydrogen leak was found during fueling last night. Columbia will be grounded until at least late next month as NASA gives priority to a flight of the shuttle Discovery.

Prices for U-S crude oil jumped to record levels yesterday. There were rumors the Soviet Union is reducing exports. West Texas Intermediate sold in New York

at 33 dollars 63 cents a barrel. Analysts say home heating oil will head up dramatically this winter if there's NO peaceful end of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Budget negotiations recessed last night and the top leaders of the bargainers will take over today. The White House and congressional leaders will meet on Capitol Hill. Their aim is to chop 500-BILLION dollars from the federal deficit over five years. Senate Republican leader Robert Dole says the situation is close to an ''impasse.''

A woman probation officer held hostage for seven hours in a Manhattan courthouse ran to freedom early today. A prisoner took her hostage yesterday afternoon after he was convicted of rape and sodomy in New York City. After the officer's escape, police subdued the inmate.

Members of the Newspaper Guild working at the New York Post voted last night to accept layoffs and wage cuts to save the 189-year-old newspaper. Publisher Peter Kalilow threatened to close it unless employees approved the concessions. Workers who do NOT want to take a pay cut can take severance pay. The Post is the nation's oldest continually published daily paper.

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#90261u0297 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - Firefighters using chemical foam have virtually extinguished a blaze on a gasoline tanker on the Saginaw River at Bay City, Michigan. They are working on a few spot fires inside the hull. The tanker Jupiter exploded Sunday. One crew member apparently was killed and 11 were injured.

The government has cut off all federal education funds to Georgia's largest public school system. The DeKalb County Schools refused to allow an investigation into complaints of discrimination against handicapped students. The DeKalb schools received seven-Million dollars in federal funds this year.

The F-B-I captured one of its Ten Most Wanted fugitives yesterday at a shipyard in New London, Connecticut, where he worked. Wardell Ford was wanted on murder and armed robbery charges stemming from a 1983 robbery in Detroit. He was captured after the crime was shown on a television show.

Members of a civil rights group disrupted a shareholders' meeting of Nike Incorporated yesterday in Portland, Oregon, to demand it hire more blacks. Operation PUSH has been conducting a natinwide boycott of the athletic shoe company. The 50 demonstrators were shouted down by shareholders crying ''extortion.''

Chinese authorities say 588 people were killed this summer in a series of typhoons in the southern Chinese province of Fujian. Economic losses were 800-Million dollars... one-tenth of the province's annual output. .

A typhoon hit Okinawa in southern Japan today with 90-mile-an-hour winds. Typhoon Flo is the fiercest storm to hit Japan in 31 years.

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#90261u0299 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - Jose Rijo is close to achieving one of four personal goals; an aim that his teammates would love to share with him.

The Cincinnati pitcher hurled a two-hitter, while Paul O'Neill smashed a two-run homer and Hal Morris delivered a two-run single, pacing the National League West-leading Reds to a 4-0 victory over the San Francisco Giants.

''My goals are to pitch in a season-opener, an All-Star game, the playoffs and World Series,'' Rijo said. ''I don't have any of them yet. But I'm feeling good about my playoff goal.''

The victory reduced the Reds' magic number for clinching the National League West to 11 games, as San Francisco suffered its fourth straight loss. Los Angeles remained 5 1-2 games back.

Rijo, 12-7, permitted only a first inning double and a ninth inning single to Kevin Bass as he pitched a career-high fifth complete game and his first shutout of the year.

''It was unbelievable,'' he said. ''I felt so good I don't even believe it myself. I don't think I could feel any better than I did tonight.''

The hard-throwing right-hander, who walked two, retired 12 in a row at one point and 11 straight at another. His 12 strikeouts were a team- high for the season. Rijo came into the game with an 0-5 career mark against the Giants.

''I've been lifting weights and throwing extra to build my shoulder back up,'' he said. ''I feel so strong now I feel almost unbeatable. I think I can throw my fastball by anybody. I was throwing at least 95 miles an hour tonight.''

''I never saw Rijo in trouble,'' San Francisco Manager Roger Craig said. ''He pitched like hell.''

Rick Reuschel pitched two scoreless innings in relief for the Giants, his first appearance since suffering a knee injury May 27.

''He's amazing,'' Craig said of Reuschel. ''He's 41 years old and missed nearly four months because of knee problems, but he pitched tonight like he hadn't missed any time at all.

''It makes you wonder what we could have done this year if we had had him all season.''

In other National League games, San Diego shut out Houston 5-0, and Los Angeles defeated Atlanta 5-2.

In the American League, it was: Boston 7, Baltimore 3; Toronto 6, New York 4; Cleveland 4, Milwaukee 2; Kansas City 1, Minnesota 0; Chicago 7, Oakland 0; and Texas 10, Seattle 4.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Padres 5, Astros 0

At Houston, Bruce Hurst scattered six hits and Roberto Alomar hit a two-run homer to help San Diego eliminate the Astros from the National League West race. Hurst, 10-9, recorded his eighth complete game of the season. Danny Darwin, 11-3, allowed five runs and nine hits in 4 1-3 innings.

Dodgers 5, Braves 2

At Atlanta, Kal Daniels and Eddie Murray each collected three hits and an RBI for Los Angeles. Tim Crews, 4-5, allowed three hits over 5 1- 3 innings. Jay Howell permitted three hits over two innings to notch his 16th save. Charlie Liebrandt, 8-10, took the loss.

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#90261u0332 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

DENVER (SEPT. 18) UPI - After John Elway had thrown 10 consecutive incompletions, he needed some help. His wide receiver Vance Johnson provided the relief.

Denver trailed 23-21 with 1:11 left Monday and faced a fourth-and-10 situation on its own 17-yard line. Elway passed 49 yards to Johnson that eventually set up David Treadwell's 22-yard field goal as time expired, lifting the Broncos to a 24-23 victory over the Kansas City Chiefs.

Johnson told Elway in the huddle prior to the big play: ''Hey, throw me the ball.''

Elway then asked Johnson if he could beat Kansas City cornerback Kevin Ross. Eleven seconds later Ross dragged Johnson down on the crucial play.

Five plays later, including Elway's 16-yard completion to Mark Jackson and a 14-yard run by Bobby Humphrey with 25 seconds remaining, Treadwell kicked his game-winner.

''This was a real confidence booster for me,'' Treadwell said. ''I was glad Bobby got me a couple of yards closer on that last kick. This was a must-win

for us.''

Steve DeBerg hooked up with Stephone Paige for two TDs, including an 83-yard bomb with 1:44 left in the game to give Kansas City a 23-21 lead. DeBerg also connected on a 16-yard TD pass to Paige, who caught a pass in his 66th consecutive NFL game.

''This was a game where whoever had the ball last was going to win,'' DeBerg said. ''Elway's a great competitor, and that fourth-down play was amazing. That was an all-pro play.''

Humphrey rushed 19 times for 132 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Denver ground attack, scoring on runs of 37 and 6 yards. Elway added a 2-yard TD run as the Broncos evened their record to 1-1.

Nick Lowery kicked field goals of 39, 29 and 31 yards for Kansas City, which fell to 1-1.

Kansas City's star running back Christian Okoye gained only 69 yards in 20 attempts as the Denver defense gang-tackled him.

''Okoye wasn't a really big factor in the game,'' said Karl Mecklenburg, who had a 22-yard fumble recovery. ''He got a lot of carries, but not a lot of yards.''

''It felt good to go out and play well against Christian,'' Humphrey said. ''He's a great back, and I wanted to play well tonight.''

In the first quarter, a short punt by the Broncos' Mike Horan gave the Chiefs possession at the Denver 26, setting up Lowery's 29-yard field goal.

With Kansas City ahead 3-0, Humphrey broke a tackle in the middle, used the back judge to screen off another defender and broke free for a 37-yard TD, his longest scoring run as a pro.

The Chiefs pulled within 7-6 on Lowery's second field goal. DeBerg engineered a 63-yard drive, converting on third-and-10 at his own 26 with an 18-yard completion to Todd McNair.

Denver drove 80 yards on its next possession, 43 yards coming on a flea-flicker from Elway-to-Humphrey-to-Elway and downfield to Johnson. Humphrey's 6-yard burst up the middle gave Denver a 14-6 lead.

KC cornerback Albert Lewis recovered Orson Mobley's fumble at the Denver 43 with 3:15 left to set up Lowery's third field goal. The 31- yard kick cut Denver's lead to 14-9 with 4 seconds remaining in the first half.

''We made so many mistakes in the ball game,'' Denver Coach Dan Reeves said.

''It's a good win for us. It had everything in it, good, bad and ugly.''

''We had too many missed opportunities in the first half,'' DeBerg said. ''We were forced to come away with field goals when we should have had touchdowns. In fact, one time were inside the five and still only got a field goal.''

After Lowery fell short on a 52-yard field goal attempt early in the third quarter, Elway capped a 10-play drive with a quarterback draw. His 30-yard completion to Johnson on third-and-13 kept the 65-yard scoring drive alive.

DeBerg completed passes of 19, 17, 18 and 13 yards during Kansas City's drive to the Denver 20 midway through the fourth quarter. Linebacker Simon Fletcher blindsided DeBerg who fumbled. The 19-yard sack and fumble, coupled with Karl Mecklenburg's fumble return gave Denver possession at the Kansas City 39.

But Denver's offense sputtered when an instant replay review reversed Ricky Nattiel's 10-yard first down catch.

Lewis blocked Horan's punt, his sixth career block. Kevin Porter recovered and returned it to the Denver 17. The Chiefs scored in three plays, with DeBerg hitting Paige for the TD in the west corner of the end zone to pull Kansas City within 21-16.

''There were two very good football teams out there,'' Kansas City Coach Marty Schottenheimer said. ''Neither one of them knows the word quit. That's a real tribute to the men in both locker rooms.''

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#90261u0364 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 18) UPI - Share prices fell Tuesday for the fourth day in a row on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, with the market's leading indicator dropping another 2 percent.

Higher oil prices fueled fears of higher interest rates, driving the market down, analysts said.

The key Nikkei average of 225 selected issues, which fell 531.86 points Monday lost an additional 480.78 points to close at 23,884.82.

The broader Tokyo Stock Price Index's plunge accelerated. TOPIX sank 43.86 points to end at 1,816.33 after surrendering 35.49 points the day before.

Volume rose somewhat, but remained well below average. An estimated 400 million shares were traded, compared with 306.29 million Monday.

''The catalyst today was the record high oil prices in New York,'' said Liam Newberg, an analyst with Merrill Lynch, Japan. ''The Persian Gulf crisis is a

source of uncertainty, but what is important is oil prices.''

Prices recovered toward the end of trading after the Nikkei hit a new low for the year of 23,308.31 points at 1:18 p.m.

Dealers said this was seen as the bottom and bargain hunting brought prices back up before the close.

All sectors were lower, particularly shipbuilding, large-capital steel, financial and construction.

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#90261u0408 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (SEPT. 18) UPI - Anti-government students held protests on the second anniversary of the military takeover of Burma, forcing security troops to fire tear gas at one group of demonstrators, diplomats said Tuesday.

There were reports of small ''hit-and-run'' demonstrations in Rangoon by groups of students who chanted anti-government slogans and then scattered before security forces could respond, said diplomats contacted by telephone from Bangkok.

Government troops patrolled the capital amid tough warnings against demonstrations on the second anniversary of the incidents Sept. 18, 1988, when the military seized power and shot hundreds of pro-democracy demonstrators.

''There is a significant military presence in the city and they have been conducting exercises to apparently intended to intimidate the population,'' said one diplomat.

Official Rangoon radio, in a broadcast Monday night, said protests also broke out Monday at a school in Mandalay, 350 miles north of Rangoon, when a group of former students wielding knives and slingshots interrupted examinations.

''The group, joining force with several students who were waiting for them to create disturbances, flew a flag, chanted slogans, and caused a commotion,'' the radio said.

When security troops arrived at the school, a crowd of about 100 youths hurled stones at them, injuring three security officials, it said.

Diplomatic sources, however, put the number of demonstrators at about 1,500.

''As repeated appeals to disperse fell on deaf ears, the security personnel shot four tear-gas canisters to break up the crowds,'' it said. ''At noon, the situation returned to normal.''

It said several people involved in the dispute have been interrogated and legal action will be taken against them.

The protesters are demanding that the military transfer power to the legislature elected in May.

The military junta, however, has rejected appeals for a rapid return to democracy, saying the elected legislators, when allowed to convene, must first draft a new constitution acceptable to the military. It has given no timetable for the transfer of power and so far has refused to meet with the civilian political parties.

Earlier this month the military arrested the two acting leaders of the National League for Democracy, the party that swept 80 percent of the seats in the elections.

A diplomat said there were signs the military junta planned formal legal action against the two - acting party leader Kyi Maung and party secretary Chit Khaing, who have been accused of disclosing government secrets.

The two, both moderate, retired military officers in their 70s, are the second set of League leaders arrested by the military so far. The charismatic top leaders - Aung San Suu Kyi and Tin U - have been in detention since July 1989.

The military has insisted the 1988 crackdown, which left an estimated 500 to 1,000 demonstrators dead, was necessary to save the country from anarchy.

Since then it has imposed martial law on the country of 40 million people, with military tribunals empowered to hand down sentences including execution for violating tight political restrictions.

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#90261u0425 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 18) UPI - Typhoon Flo walloped Japan's southernmost island chain of Okinawa Tuesday, spewing fierce winds and heavy rain that triggered a landslide killing a 78-year-old woman, police said.

News reports said another four people died and three were missing in landslides, but police said they could not confirm the reports.

The typhoon's rains touched off a landslide that crushed the home of the 78-year-old woman, killing her, police said.

The fiercest storm to hit Japan in 31 years halted transportation and knocked out electricity on several islands, officials said.

In Okinawa's capital, Naha, 930 miles south of Tokyo, the powerful winds

destroyed neon signs, tore away store-front shutters and tossed bicycles across streets.

Okinawan fishermen struggled to prevent their boats from being smashed against the docks by storm-driven waves.

U.S. military bases throughout Okinawa went on typhoon alert Monday, the military newspaper Stars and Stripes reported. More than 25,000 U.S. military personnel are stationed on Okinawa.

The typhoon was centered 50 miles southeast of Okinawa's main cluster of isles Tuesday morning, and was on a course for Japan's main islands.

Forecasters said the typhoon, with winds of up to 112 mph at its core, would strike the populous island of Kyushu late Tuesday afternoon.

The storm's effects were already being felt on Japan's central island of Honshu, where wind and rain disrupted intercity train service out of Tokyo, stranding as many as 100,000 passengers.

All air traffic to and from Okinawa was halted, leaving 9,500 passengers in the lurch, news reports said.

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#90261u0435 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - Temperatures dipped toward freezing in New England and the mid- Atlantic region, setting records and bringing frost to many rural areas Tuesday, while heavy rain hit Arizona and clouds covered the West.

Thunderstorms hit southwest Kansas with heavy rain reported at Dodge City Airport, but no severe weather was reported.

The National Weather Service issued a flash flood warning in west central Arizona, where the Yavapai County sheriff's office reported heavy rains that flooded streets in Bagdad. The storms moved northeast at 20 mph.

The second cold night in a row hit the Northeast Tuesday as temperatures dipped to near record lows in the 30s in some portions of eastern Pennsylvania and western New York state.

The temperature dipped to 37 degrees in Rochester, N.Y., breaking the record of 38 set in 1953, the NWS said.

The thermometer hit 42 degrees at Baltimore-Washington International Airport, tying a 1986 record.

Frost warnings were posted off Lake Erie and Lake Ontario and in south central

New York state and the thermometer hit 46 degrees under clear skies in New York City's Central Park.

More seasonal - and milder - temperatures were not expected until Wednesday, along with increasing cloudiness.

The South enjoyed more clear, pleasant weather with mild temperatures.

The West had warm weather and Southern California had partly cloudy skies. Temperatures dipped into the 40s in the Southern California mountains and clouds covered the Mojave Desert.

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#90261u0455 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 18) UPI - A Delta Airlines flight bound for Dallas-Fort Worth returned to Los Angeles International Airport early Tuesday because of a bomb threat written on a bathroom mirror, authorities said.

The Boeing 727 landed safely at 1:24 a.m. and the 101 passengers aboard evacuated the plane without incident, Federal Aviation Administration duty agent Jerry Acosta said.

Delta Flight 996 took off from Los Angeles International Airport about 12:30 a.m. and was scheduled to arrive at the Dallas-Fort Worth airport at 5:16 a.m. a Delta official said.

''Something was written on one of the bathroom mirrors which caused the crew to bring the aircraft back,'' said Sgt. James Miyagishima of the Department of Airports Police.

Los Angeles police were told the note said there might be a bomb aboard the plane, an officer said.

The plane taxied to a remote pad at the west end of the airport where a Los Angeles Police Department bomb squad searched the aircraft and luggage.

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#90261u0471 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (SEPT. 18) UPI - The chief U.S. negotiator in talks that resumed Tuesday on the future of American military bases in the Philippines acknowledged Manila's demands for the withdrawal of American forces but appealed for ''time to do it right.''

Some 1,000 leftist protesters, pressing demands for the immediate dismantling of the U.S. facilities, burned an American flag at a rally several blocks from the tightly guarded Central Bank, the site of the talks on renewal of American

basing rights.

Riot police armed with truncheons and shields prevented the protesters from marching on the bank. Several dozen people were injured Sunday and Monday in protests near the U.S. Embassy against the bases, regarded as a vestige of American colonial rule.

''It is clear to me that the days of a very large presence of U.S. sailors and airmen in the Philippines are coming to an end,'' special negotiator Richard Armitage said in his opening remarks at the Central Bank building.

''What remains for us to determine is the rate at which this presence will be reduced and the nature of the relationship our two governments wish to pursue during and after this transitional period.

''Let us take time to do it right. Let us be your partners in managing the changes,'' Armitage said.

President Corazon Aquino, facing substantial internal opposition to a continued U.S. military presence, called Monday for an ''orderly withdrawal'' of U.S. forces. She said she would not try to evade the Philippine constitutional provision that bans U.S. military bases after the 1947 treaty covering six U.S. facilities expires Sept. 16, 1991.

Aquino said the talks should hammer out a ''new relationship'' with the United States.

She did not give a timetable for the phaseout, but U.S. officials were reported to have said the post-Cold War era had diminished the importance of the facilities and were now receptive to a five- to 10- year pullout.

Some 41,000 troops, Defense Department employees and dependants are stationed in the U.S. facilities, which include Clark Air Base and Subic Bay Naval Station.

Off-base leave and non-essential travel have been suspended at the facilities after communist guerrillas shot and killed two U.S. servicemen on the eve of exploratory talks on the bases in May. The guerrillas have threatened to kill Americans unless U.S. troops are withdrawn.

U.S. Embassy spokesman Stanley Schrager said a bomb exploded at the base of one of the towers at the transmitter station of the Voice of America Monday night, causing slight damage but failing to disrupt operations. No one was reported injured in the blast in Concepcion town, 50 miles north of Manila. Schrager refused to speculate on who was responsible for the bombing.

Restating Aquino's position on the bases, Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus said the talks should ''discuss the whole range of U.S.- Philippine relations

to create a new basis, a new spirit, a new character for those relations.''

He said these ties ''transcend transitory crises elsewhere in the world, no matter how they may impact on our nation and no matter how attracted we may be to the American response to them.''

Manglapus apparently referred to the Persian Gulf crisis. Both Philippine and U.S. officials said the military buildup in the gulf was being done through Europe, not the Philippines, where some 14,500 troops are stationed.

''There must be more to U.S.-Philippine relations than marching to the same military beat,'' said Manglapus, who heads the Philippine panel at the talks on the U.S. bases.

Armitage said his mandate from President Bush was to discuss the defense aspects of the relationship but said he will do his best to reach a broad agreement.

He stressed both the Philippines and the United States should be allowed to adjust to the ''new circumstances.''

''Let us give our friends in this region adequate time to adjust to a world in which superpower rivalry is being replaced, it seems, by the proliferation of regional powers seeking domination of their respective neighborhoods,'' Armitage said.

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#90261u0486 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - The government of South Africa says black activist Winnie Mandela will face prosecution on kidnap and assault charges in the 1988 slaying of a 14-year-old boy. Mandela's chief bodyguard, Jerry Richardson, was convicted of the youth's murder and sentenced to death. South African officials say the charges against Mrs. Mandela stem from the abduction of the teen-ager and three other black youths in December 1988. She is the wife of African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela.

Saudi Arabian officials are conducting identity checks at the Arab kingdom's newly re-opened border with occupied Kuwait to screen out Iraqi infiltrators. Officials say the checks yesterday slowed the flow of refugees into Saudi Arabia from Kuwait to about 50 vehicles. That's down from an estimated five-thousand refugees who have entered Saudi Arabia since Saturday when Iraq opened the frontier.

Security officials in the Philippines report a bomb exploded at the transmitter site of the U-S Voice of America radio, in a town 50 miles north of Manila. Officials say the blast did NOT disrupt station operations. NO one was injured and NO damage was reported. The blast occurred last night before

the resumption of talks the future of U-S bases in the Philippines.

Another disappointment for the shuttle Columbia crew. Today's launch was postponed until the end of October at the earliest after another leak was detected aboard the spaceplane during fueling last night. It's the fourth time since May that Columbia's 10-day astronomy mission has been delayed. NASA workers plan to install t-v cameras in Columbia's engine compartment to locate the source of the leak.

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#90261u0490 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

OSLO, Norway (SEPT. 18) UPI - Prime Minister Jan Syse is under fire following allegations of irregularities in his personal financial dealings.

But Syse, who admitted the irregularities and attributed them to pressure from work, told Norwegian newspapers he would not resign as head of a three-party, center-right coalition led by his Conservative party.

The controversy surrounding Syse emerged last week when Norwegian tabloid Verdens Gang revealed that a joint-stock company owned by Syse had neglected to file formal records of its annual general meeting.

Last weekend, another of Syse's companies was also found to have neglected to file records and it was alleged that company audits had been signed by Syse's lawyer, who was neither trained nor authorized to act as auditor.

But after a full apology by the premier, who said pressure of work had prevented him from keeping full overseeing control of his companies, opposition politicians said they were prepared to let the issue lie.

Syse also said he was relinquishing control of all of his private companies.

''We see no reason to pursue this matter any further,'' Labor Party Deputy Leader Gunnar Berge said Saturday.

Sunday evening, however, Norwegian Television alleged Syse had borrowed $10,000 and allowed his brother-in-law to borrow $16,500 from one of the companies.

Although the loans were not large, and were repaid three months later, they appeared in violation of a Norwegian law that prevents companies that owe more than they have in formal assets from lending money.

Late Monday, Syse announced he had ordered a full audit and scrutiny of his private financial affairs and declined further comment.

''We hope the investigation will be finished this week,'' said Conservative

Party General Secretary Svein Groenern.

Prior to leaving Norway for India, Labor Party leader Gro Harlem Brundtland said her party was ''unhappy'' with the situation and would await the results of the ongoing investigation before deciding whether to take parliamentary action.

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#90261u0533 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait:

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia - Many of the Kuwaitis crossing the newly reopened border with Saudi Arabia are sobbing women who said Iraqis were forbidding men between 17 and 45 from leaving. U.S. newspaper reports said the troops were seizing the men and in some cases forcing their women relatives to continue on without them.

Painstaking identity checks designed to screen out Iraqi infiltrators slowed the flow of refugees through occupied Kuwait's border with Saudi Arabia. Saudi authorities estimated more than 5,000 refugees had entered the kingdom since Iraqi border guards on Saturday inexplicably opened the frontier. But the departures slowed Monday, with officials saying only 50 vehicles had been allowed through.

BRUSSELS, Belgium - The European Community called for expulsion of all Iraqi military attaches and restrictions on other Iraqi diplomats in retaliation for Iraqi raids on Western diplomatic compounds in Kuwait last week. Some countries, including Britain and Belgium, announced such retaliatory measures Monday, and others were expected to quickly follow. France and Italy took steps over the weekend. ''We have decided on a common decision to expel military personnel connected to Iraqi embassies in our capitals, and to restrict the freedom of movement of personnel at their embassies,'' the 12 EC foreign ministers said in a communique following a daylong meeting.

WASHINGTON - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney fired Air Force Chief of Staff Michael Dugan, apparently for an interview in which he said U.S. bombing plans specifically target Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Dugan's interview in The Washington Post and The Los Angeles Times followed a tour of Saudi Arabia in which he discussed possible war plans by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

AMMAN, Jordan - Palestinian spokesmen said Jordan's King Hussein met with the leaders of two radical Palestinian groups in a reconciliation move attributed to the Persian Gulf crisis. The meetings, another sign of the shifting political alliances in the Middle East, also reflected widespread empathy in Jordan for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and dissatisfaction with the

U.S.-led multinational military force in the Persian Gulf.

TEHRAN, Iran - The daily Jomhuri Eslami newspaper Monday criticized the U.N. Security Council for enforcing resolutions against the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait while turning ''a blind eye'' to Iraqi atrocities during its 1980-1988 Gulf War against Iran. The former foes have made peace but oil officials in Cyprus said an oil deal between them appears to have fallen through.

U.S. crude oil zoomed to record price levels amid reports the Soviet Union was cutting back deliveries to the West and on continued concern over the situation in the Middle East. On the New York Mercantile Exchange Monday, West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery ended the day up $1.87 over Friday to $33.63 a barrel, after having breached the Merc's record $32.35 trading price of Aug. 2, 1983. It had previously equaled the record this past Aug. 23.

DEARBORN, Mich. - Nearly 800 Arab-Americans living in the Detroit and Chicago areas met to denounce U.S. intervention in the Persian Gulf and urge an Arab-led diplomatic solution to the crisis. Arab-Americans from Iraq, Syria, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon and Yemen heard impassioned calls from religious and political leaders during the Sunday meeting.

AL AZRAQ, Jordan - Tensions continue rising and fights are commonplace in Jordanian refugee camps as stranded Asians and other refugees wait to learn when they will be allowed to return home. Camp officials say the refugees can manage when they know their departure date, but become frustrated and unruly when they do not know when they will be allowed to leave.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - A man convicted hours earlier of raping and sodomizing a nun held a female probation officer hostage for seven hours in a Manhattan courthouse, but the woman escaped unharmed early Tuesday, officials said.

The woman, Maureen Trenk, 35, a four-year veteran of the city Department of Probation, fled about 12:15 a.m. from the courthouse holding room where the prisoner had held her with a homemade knife since 5:30 p.m. Monday.

Correction and police officers then rushed in to subdue the prisoner, Mauricio Estinal, who earlier Monday had been convicted of rape and sodomy.

The conviction stemmed from a 1986 rape in which Estinal attacked an East Harlem nun, Ryles said.

Trenk was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital after the ordeal, where a spokeswoman said she was stable ''and in good condition,'' and was likely to

be released.

Correction Department spokeswoman Ruby Ryles said Estinal took the officer hostage in a 12th floor holding pen at state Supreme Court in lower Manhattan.

Ryles said Estinal had been convicted on first-degree rape and sodomy and was discussing probation possibilities with the officer prior to sentencing when he asked to go the bathroom.

While in the lavatory, the inmate took off the handle of a mop bucket, which he flattened out into a shank, Ryles said.

Estinal, who had been in custody since 1987, then returned to the room and took the woman hostage with the makeshift weapon, she said.

At one point Monday night, Cardinal John O'Connor was in the courthouse and was aware of the situation, but did not speak to the prisoner, Ryles said.

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REDWOOD CITY, CA (SEPT. 18) UPI - The defense lawyer for a man accused of going on a murderous rampage that left seven people dead in California's wine country conceded his client committed the slayings but said the man was psychotic at the time.

Public defender Marteen Miller told the Superior Court jury in opening statements Monday that Ramon Salcido killed the seven people, including his wife and two of his daughters, but said the former winery worker was under a ''psychotic depression'' at the time of the 1989 rampage.

Sonoma County Assistant District Attorney Peter Bumerts, who is seeking the death penalty, said he would use a confession that Salcido made to sheriff's deputies en route back from Mexico to show the slayings were premeditated.

Salcido, 29, was charged with killing his wife Angela, 24, in their home near Santa Rosa; his daughters, Sofia, 4, and Teresa, 1, at a remote dump site; his mother-in-law, Marian Richards, 42; her daughters, Ruth, 12, and Maria, 8, in Cotati; and Grand Cru winery co-worker Tracy Toovey, 35, on April 14, 1989. He was arrested several days later in Mexico.

Salcido's 2-year-old daughter, Carmina, survived the knife attack that killed Sofia and Teresa.

Miller told the jury the confession would show Salcido was psychotic at the time of the killings. He also said psychiatrists who have examined Salcido agree ''he is severely mentally ill.''

Miller said Salcido has the mind of a 2-year-old and ''the world was him.'' He said Salcido loved his children ''only as an extension of himself.''

Bumerts said, ''You will hear Ramon Salcido, in his own words (in the confession), describe with exquisite specificity how he decided to kill his daughters because he was angry with his wife.''

The prosecutor said Salcido went on an alcohol and cocaine binge the night before the killings. When ge got home, his wife was gone and he was so angry he took his daughters to a garbage dump, where he slashed their throats and left them for dead, Bumerts said.

Then, Bumerts said, Salcido went to Richards' home where he waited until her husband left for work and then killed her and the two other girls. Bumerts said Salcido was angry with Mrs. Richards because she knew Sofia had been fathered by another man.

Salcido then went back home, where he found his wife and killed her, Bumerts said. Salcido proceeded to the winery where he killed Toovey because he felt the victim was trying to get him fired.

Salcido called his family in Mexico, and then drove there to meet with his mother, Miller said. His sister's husband reportedly called California authorities and Salcido was arrested at a train station near his hometown of Los Mochis.

The trial was moved to San Mateo County from Santa Rosa because of heavy pre-trial publicity.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - South Africa says Winnie Mandela will be charged with the kidnap and assault of a 14-year-old boy who was found murdered in December 1988. Her bodyguard has been convicted of the murder. Mandela is the wife of Nelson Mandela, South Africa's chief black leader.

Western European nations are telling Iraqi military attaches to pack up and leave. The European Community voted yesterday to expel the Iraqis in retaliation for Iraq's raids on diplomatic quarters in Kuwait.

The launch of the shuttle Columbia is delayed for a fourth time. A leak showed up last night during fueling and the launch was scrubbed. This time the flight is off until at least late October because other missions take priority.

A Delta Airlines plane returned to Los Angeles International Airport this morning because of a bomb threat written on a lavatory mirror. The 101 passengers left the plane safely. The plane was on a flight to Dallas-Fort

Worth.

A New Orleans teachers are on strike. The school board used NON-union teachers and substitutes to teach yesterday. The board says it does NOT have the money to meet the teachers' salary demands.

Chemical foam sprayed from a Coast Guard ship has controlled a raging fire on a gasoline tanker at Bay City, Michigan. A fire crew flown in from Texas then went on board to fight remaining spot fires.

Typhoon Flo killed a 78-year-old woman in southern Japan today. Police say a landslide crushed her house. Electricity on some Japanese islands was blacked out and transportation stopped.

Talks opened in Manila today on the future of U-S military bases in the Philippines. U-S negotiator Richard Armitage said the time is coming for withdrawing U-S troops. He asked for time to do the job right.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - North Korea negotiators are renewing their demand that one Korea join the United Nations with a single seat. South Korea wants them to join separately. A North Korean diplomat says separate seats will NOT help re-unification.

Refugees from Liberia's capital say children are starving in the civil war-torn west African nation. Only one doctor is fighting a cholera epidemic. Fighting is heavy. Numerous fires are reported in the center of Monrovia.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev wants a vote on whether collective farms should be scrapped. He proposes a referendum on private ownership. The collective farms are a failure in feeding the Soviet people.

A Canadian army official says debris a search team thought might be from a missing Boeing 727 turned out to be an orange tarpaulin. 16 people were on the plane that ditched last week south of Newfoundland .

Standard and Poor's has downgraded Philadelphia's general obligation bonds to C-C-C... junk-bond status. The troubled city of brotherly love last week could NOT find buyers for 375-Million dollars in short-term loan notes.

The Salvation Army plans to fight a government order to pay recovering alcoholics and drug users who work in its thrift shops. The Labor Department says they are employees and must get the minimum wage.

Three 18th Century portraits- two by Thomas Gainsborough and one by Sir Joshua Reynolds- were stolen yesterday from a law college in London. Scotland Yard

says they were valued at one-Million dollars each.

For more than a century there has been a memorial to honor the 7th Cavalry, the losers of Custer's Last Stand. The House voted yesterday to build a monument to the Indians who actually won that battle at Little Bighorn.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - White House Chief of Staff John Sununu is expected to sit down with congressional leaders today to help end a deadlock on capital gains tax cuts President Bush wants in the fiscal 1991 budget. White House and congressional budget negotiators hit a snag on the capital gains issue and are leaving it up to their leadership. Bargainers face an October 1st deadline to reach a deficit-cutting agreement otherwise automatic budget cuts go into effect.

About one-thousand leftist protestors burned an American flag today to demand the withdrawal of American forces in the Philippines. The rally occurred several blocks from a Manila bank where U-S and Philippine officials are holding talks renewing U-S military basing rights in the island nation.

A Delta Airlines jetliner flying from California to Dallas returned to Los Angeles because of a bomb threat written on a bathroom mirror. The Boeing 727 with 101 passengers aboard taxied to the end of a remote Los Angeles runway where a Los Angeles bomb squad searched the aircraft and lugguage. NO one was hurt.

In Saudi Arabia, officials conducted I-D checks in an effort to catch Iraqi inflatrators. The latest refugees entering the Saudi kingdom through occupied Kuwait say Iraqi troops barred men ages 17-to-45 from leaving. Saudi officials are screening refugees to establish their credentials... a move that reduced the flow of refugees from about five- thousand since the weekend to only 50 vehicles today.

Temperatures flirted with the freezing mark in New England and the mid-Atlantic states, while heavy rain battered Arizona. The National Weather Service issued a flash flood warning in west central Arizona, where heavy rains flooded streets in a town called Bagdad. The mercury plunged to near record lows in parts of New York state and eastern Pennsylvanis.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - Negotiators for El Salvador's government and leftist rebels wrap up their fifth round of peace talks today in Costa Rica with NO progress in efforts to end 10 years of civil war. NO date has been set for resumption of the talks. Sources say the rebels will ask that the next round be held

before the Salvadoran National Assembly, with televised coveraged in El Salvador.

A federal judge has refused a request by Los Angeles prosecutors to subpoena in Tahiti the daughter of actor Marlon Brando to testify at her half-brother's murder trial. Brando's son, Christian, is charged in the May 16th slaying of his sister's lover at the actor's California estate.

A federal health expert told the National AIDS Commission he believes it is time for the government to begin keeping confidential records of those infected with the H-I-V virus. Dr. James Curran of the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta says mandatory reporting of AIDS infection ''makes all the sense in the world'' to help victims receive proper medical care.

Boston police say there is NO apparent motive in the shooting of a newspaper pressman at the Boston Herald last night. The 30-year-old man is in critical condition. Police say a gunman wearing a Halloween mask walked through rows of lockers in the newspaper locker room before shots rang out. NO one has been arrested.

Scotland Yards say art thieves escaped from a London legal college with three 18th-century portraits worth about three-Million dollars. So far, police have NO suspects. The paintings... valued at one-Million dollars each... were taken from a central London gallery.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - Prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange fell sharply Tuesday for the fourth consecutive day as higher oil prices fueled worries of higher interest rates. Trading remained sluggish.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which fell 531.86 points Monday, lost an additional 480.78 points or 1.97 percent to 23,884.82.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major listed shares sank 43.86 points to end at 1,816.33 after surrendering 35.49 points Monday.

Volume rose somewhat, but remained well below average. An estimated 400 million shares changed hands, compared with only 306.3 million shares Monday.

Declines hammered advances 894 to only 85, while another 90 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices closed lower in light trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as investors closely followed the behavior of the Japanese stock exchange.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which dropped 42.17 points Monday, fell another 23.21 points to 2,996.66.

Among the narrower indexes, properties dropped 12.72 points, utilities lost 26.09, industrials shed 27.42 and financials fell 12.72 points.

Volume continued to be light as an estimated 599 million shares chnaged hands, compared with 457 million shares Monday.

In Singapore, stocks tumbled in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange with nervous investors remaining on the sidelines in response to developments in the Middle East.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 30.10 points Monday, fell 17.72 points to 1,179.01. The broader-based All Singapore Index fell 3.57 points to 334.78.

An estimated 46.6 million shares chnaged hands, comnpared with 38.8 million shares Monday.

In Bangkok, stocks sagged on the Thailand Stock Exchange in light trading as worries over rising oil prices dampened enthusiam.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) Index, which tumbled 57.50 points Monday, fell another 14.55 points or 2.07 percent to 687.93.

Volume amounted to around 1.5 billion shares, compared with 1.1 billion shares Monday.

In Seoul, stock prices rebounded in active trading on the Korean Stock Exchange encouraged by a government move to let investment trust firms pump large sums into the equity market.

The Korean Composite Stock Price Index, which fell 24.35 points Monday, rebounded 23.15 points to 589.42.

Volume amounted to around 11.8 million shares as advances overpowered declines 777 to 62.

In Australia, stock prices closed slightly lower in listless trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which eased 3.0 points Monday, slipped another 5.0points to 1,472.2.

Volume remained light as an estimated 87 million shares changed hands, compared with 70.8 million shares Monday.

Declines edged out advances, 151 to 107, while 220 issues remained unchanged.

In Wellington, stock prices closed sharply lower in light trading on the New Zealand Stock Exchange.

The Barclays Share-Price Index fell 21.86 points or 1.4 percent to 1, 538.60.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - Voters went to the polls across Massachusetts Tuesday to choose among four primary candidates seeking to replace Gov. Michael Dukakis whose ''Massachusetts miracle'' fizzled during his 1988 presidential campaign and sent the state plummeting into economic chaos.

The polls opened across the state at 7 a.m. EDT and were to remain open until 8 p.m.

Bitterly fought battles from the top to the bottom of both ballots, coupled with the beautiful fall weather predicted for Tuesday, were expected to draw a big turnout, especially from independent voters who could be a key factor in both the Democratic and Republican gubernatorial primaries to narrow the field to two to compete in November to replace Dukakis, a Democrat who decided not to seek another term. Dukakis lost to George Bush in the 1988 presidential election.

Boston University President John Silber, who has run as ''the outsider the insiders are afraid of,'' was hoping that a big independent turnout would help him erase a substantial lead held by former Attorney General Francis Bellotti among registered Democrats.

Likewise, former U.S. Attorney and Assistant U.S. Attorney General William Weld during the past several days urged independents to back him in his battle against conservative House Minority Leader Steven Pierce in the GOP gubernatorial primary.

Voters will also select a Republican candidate to oppose first-term Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., in the November elections. Millionaire real estate developer Jim Rappaport is vying with businessman Dan Daly for the nomination in a contest that has focused more on Rappaport's credentials and rhetoric than on Kerry or the issues.

Rappaport, the son of politically influential Boston developer Jerome Rappaport, has spent $1.7 million of his own money in an aggressive media campaign that focused primarily on Kerry.

Bellotti, a liberal who has promised to streamline state government, had been engaged in a tight three-way battle with Silber and Lt. Gov. Evelyn Murphy for

months. But he got a big boost when Murphy, whose campaign was failing, dropped out of the race and threw her support to him.

The move translated into a substantial boost in public opinion polls for Bellotti last week, but Silber has claimed that his internal tracking polls showed the gap narrowing.

Both Bellotti and Silber support existing abortion laws and have promised to cut bureaucracy. Both oppose the tax rollback petition being pushed by Citizens for Limited Taxation.

While Bellotti greeted people at factories in Brockton and office buildings in Worcester, Silber spent the morning on radio talk shows urging independents to take a Democratic ballot.

''I think we're dead even now,'' he said.

Pierce, a veteran state representative and the only gubernatorial candidate who opposes abortion rights, held a lead of as much as 33 points in polls taken during the summer. But he has watched that lead evaporate. Several polls taken in the last week show Pierce and Weld in a virtual dead heat and one even showed Weld with a 10-point lead.

Weld, the only remaining candidate who supports an amendment to the state constitution that would guarantee abortion rights through the full nine months of pregnancy, and Pierce support the limited taxation petition.

''The polls look great,'' said Weld as he shook hands with voters in Boston. ''But polls aren't votes. I think it's going to be a nail-biter.''

Pierce, who pressed the flesh at Boston's busy Downtown Crossing, also dismissed polling results, saying, ''I think they're pretty much useless.''

There are also two congressional primaries.

In the Republican 5th District race, state Rep. John MacGovern is running against Donal Coleman for the right to oppose Rep. Chester Atkins, D-Mass., in November. In the Democratic 2nd District primary, first term Rep. Richard Neal is being challenged by former Springfield Mayor Theodore DiMauro.

-In Oklahoma, Rep. Wes Watkins, who is giving up his District 3 seat to run for governor, and David Walters, who won the gubernatorial nomination four years ago but lost to Republican Henry Bellmon, are vying for the Democratic nomination. Republicans will choose between former U.S. Attorney Bill Price and restaurant operator Vince Orza. Voters will also decide on lieutenant governor, state treasurer and labor commissioner as well as eight races for state Senate seats, 10 for the state House of Representatives and three for district attorney. Three state questions also are on the ballot thast would

place a 12-year limit on legislative service, create a constitutionally based ethics commission and allow the Legislature to determine which, if any, state employees should be allowed to work in places where alcoholic beverages are served.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - Higher oil prices from the Persian Gulf crisis sent inflation at the consumer level up a sharp 0.9 percent in August, the Labor Department said Friday.

Economists had expected the department's Consumer Price Index to jump by as much as 0.8 percent.

The department said a sharp upturn in petroleum-based energy prices, fueled by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent U.S.-led military response and U.N. trading sanctions, were responsible for more than two-fifths of the overall price increase.

Gasoline prices rose 7.6 percent in August and fuel oil prices soared 15.4 percent, the department said.

Excluding the often volatile energy prices, inflation rose 0.4 percent in August after gaining 0.5 percent the month before.

The advances for gasoline, fuel oil and overall energy prices were the greatest since January when a brutal cold spell sent energy prices skyrocketing.

Although shelter costs advanced 0.7 percent in August, the rise was less than that of the two preceding months. Food prices also rose in August but at a lesser pace than the two preceding months.

For the first eight months of the year, inflation at the consumer level rose at an annualized rate of 6.2 percent, up from a rate of 4.8 percent for the same period last year.

The so-called core rate of inflation, which does not include prices for food, shelter and energy, has risen 5.4 percent so far this year, compared to a gain of 3.9 percent during the year-ago period.

The overall index for food and beverage prices rose 0.3 percent in August. Food on grocers' shelves inched up 0.3 percent during the month after gaining 0.4 percent in July. The increase was tempered by a sharp drop in prices for fruits and vegetables. Prices for fresh fruits dropped by 4 percent last month.

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August after falling by 0.4 percent the month before. Last month's gain was led by a sharp turnaround in egg prices, which rose 9.9 percent last month.

Beef and poultry prices fell 0.5 percent and 1.3 percent respectively while pork prices rose 0.7 percent.

Consumers also paid more to dine out in August. Restaurant meal prices gained 0.3 percent and alcoholic beverage costs gained 0.2 percent.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - Atlanta will host the Summer Olympics in 1996. The choice was announced today in Tokyo at a meeting of the International Olympic Committee. Atlanta beat out five other cities- including a sentimental favorite, Athens, Greece. 1996 is the 100th anniversasry of the modern Olympics which began in Athens. Other cities in the running were Toronto... Melbourne, Australia... Belgrade, Yugoslavia... and Manchester, England.

Prices took a big jump last month mostly because of higher oil prices caused by the Persian Gulf crisis. The Labor Department reports prices jumped eight-tenths of one percent. Gasoline prices rose nearly eight percent and fuel oil prices by more than 15 percent. Without energy prices, influation was up four-tenths of one percent. .

In another economic report, the Commerce Department says the trade deficit in July had its worst showing since January. It soared 75 percent to more than nine-BILLION dollars. Exports fell to 32- BILLION while imports increased to more than 41-BILLION.

Energy analysts predict higher prices for heating oil this winter if there's NO peaceful end to the Persian Gulf standoff. This... despite the fact that U-S inventories of heating oil are at a five-year high. The experts believe other sources may NEVER make up for the shortfall caused by the embargo against Iraq and Kuwait. They say out-of-sight prices may result if war breaks out.

Iraqi guards have slowed down the flow of refugees from Kuwait to Saudi Arabia. Most of those allowed to cross the border were women who said the Iraqis were NOT letting any men aged 17 to 45 leave. The border was opened Saturday, but the Iraqi soldiers took identification from refugees. U-S and Saudi officials are concerned that may have been a cover-up to let Iraqis pose as refugees and get into Saudi Arabia.

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Housing costs advanced 0.7 percent in August after gaining 0.5 percent in July. The department attributed the increase to higher prices for household fuels and other utilities, which rose 1.3 percent last month after falling 0.8 percent in July.

Fuel oil prices shot up 15.4 percent in August but the two other major household fuels - natural gas and electricity - were unchanged.

Overall costs for renters and homeowners rose in August but maintenance and repair costs slid 0.7 percent.

Prices for telephone services gained 1.9 percent in August and cable television costs advanced 1.1 percent. For the past 9 months, cable costs have increased 13.3 percent.

Transportation costs climbed 1.8 percent last month after rising 0.3 percent in July. The department attributed the increase to an 8.1 percent gain in motor fuel prices, which had dropped 0.4 percent in July.

Gasoline prices were 16.1 percent higher as of August than at the end of 1989 but remained 11.5 percent below their peak of March 1981.

Prices for new vehicles remained unchanged and used car prices rose 0.3 percent during the month.

Apparel and upkeep costs gained a modest 0.1 percent in August after declining for the preceding three months.

Medical care costs advanced 0.9 percent in August and cost 9.5 percent more than a year ago. Prescription and nonprescription medicines gained 0.5 percnet while medical services costs increased 1 percent.

Entertainment costs climbed a slight 0.2 percent but remained 4.5 percent more expensive than in the year-ago period.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - America's trade deficit soared by 75 percent to $9.33 billion in July in the worst showing since January, the Commerce Department announced Tuesday.

Private economists had expected a deficit of $7.3 billion after a revised shortfall of $5.34 billion in June. In May, the nation's trade deficit stood at $7.77 billion.

Exports fell to $32.03 billion in July from a revised $34.22 billion in June, while imports increased to $41.36 billion in July from a revised $39.56

billion, according to the department's Census Bureau.

The totals were adjusted for seasonal factors.

In January, the trade deficit totaled nearly $10.2 billion.

A government spokesman noted that commercial aircraft exports - which have been a driving force in the industrial sector in recent months - were off by an estimated $500 million in July.

Imports of petroleum products, before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent global oil shock, advanced to a $4.04 billion in July from $3.76 billion in June, not adjusted for seasonal factors.

The Commerce Department also said ''the June to July change in imports reflected increases in consumer goods, capital goods, industrial supplies and materials, and automotive vehicles, parts and engines.''

''Foods, feeds and beverages, and other merchandise were virtually unchanged '' it added.

''The June to July change in exports reflected decreases in capital goods, foods, feeds and beverages, automotive vehicles, parts and engines, industrial supplies and materials, and consumer goods,'' the department said.

The July trade deficit with Japan fell to $2.97 billion from $3.07 billion in June, while the deficit with the Organization of Petroleum Countries, OPEC, increased to $1.55 billion from $1.18 billion, not adjusted for seasonal factors.

Looking ahead, analysts at Mitsubishi Bank in New York said, ''Oil will be a problem in August'' as a result of the Iraq crisis.

''We figure that higher August imported crude oil prices will cause the monthly trade deficit to balloon by $2 billion in August,'' the analysts predicted in a newsletter to investors.

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FARMINGTON HILLS, MI (SEPT. 18) UPI - Services are scheduled Wednesday for Kenneth M. Meisel, a musician who played with the Les Brown and Charlie Barnett big bands.

Meisel, a Detroit native who taught himself to play the trombone, drums and various other instruments, died of a heart attack Friday while on a fishing trip near Petoskey. He was 76.

He played with Brown's Band of Renown from 1944-1946 and was the lead trombone in the group's popular recording of ''Sentimental Journal.''

From 1946 to 1947, Meisel played with the Charlie Barnett band. He turned down an offer to play with the Count Basie Orchestra while under contract to Les Brown.

Meisel was employed by the Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. from 1950 until he retired in 1977.

Survivors include his former wife and close friend, Kathleen M. Meisel; two daughters, Kathleen A. Spencer and Kelly P. Meisel; two sons, Kevin M. and Keith E.; two grandchildren; and a brother.

Services are planned for Wednesday at the Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home in Novi.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - America's merchandise trade deficits and surpluses, in millions of dollars not adjusted for seasonal factors, by selected countries and country groups, as reported Tuesday by the Commerce Department:

Country	July	June
Canada	-991.8	-708.6
W. Europe	-1,330.0	806.2
European Community	-996.6	1,075.5
Britain	197.4	690.9
West Germany	-998.9	-819.2
France	-240.7	70.8
Japan	-2,966.3	-3,069.3
Mexico	-5.3	68.7
Brazil	-335.0	-272.8
Hong Kong	-439.0	-131.5
Taiwan	-1,138.3	-905.3
South Korea	-622.9	-239.8
OPEC	-1,551.6	-1,179.3
Venezuela	-305.8	-305.6
Saudi Arabia	-259.3	-173.8
Nigeria	-355.8	-355.7
Eastern Europe	69.5	317.8
USSR	117.3	359.1
China	-1,129.8	-791.7

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 18) UPI - The Philadelphia Orchestra's new season is starting on a sour note with musicians vowing to pick up protest signs instead of instruments for Tuesday's opening concert.

Orchestra members Monday night rejected the Philadelphia Orchestra Association's latest contract offer and voted to go on strike at the start of the 91st season.

Negotiators talked into the early morning before breaking off and were set to resume talks Tuesday in hopes of averting an opening night strike.

The 105 musicians and four orchestra librarians represented by the American Federation of Musicians Local 77 planned to begin picketing outside the Academy of Music if no agreement is reached.

Musicians with the world-renown orchestra are displeased with association proposals concerning pensions, seniority, medical benefits and radio broadcasts, musicians' representative John Hood said. No association members could be reached for comment.

The previous three-year contract expired at 12:01 a.m. Monday, timed to coincide with the start of the fall season.

The strike vote came seven hours after the musicians voted 52-49 to accept the association's latest proposal. With such a close vote, players' committee members had sought contract modifications from the association.

Orchestra musicians last went on strike on the eve of the 1966 concert season.

Three years ago, musicians finally approved a contract in November but also passed a resolution expressing unhappiness with the orchestra's management.

The threat of a divisive strike action comes one week after the association appointed German impresario Wolfgang Sawallisch as the sixth musical director of the 90-year-old orchestra. Sawallisch will pick up the baton when the current conductor, Riccardo Muti, steps down after in 1992 season.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 18) UPI - Thousands of jubilant Atlantans poured into the streets as dawn broke Tuesday to celebrate the city's success at landing the 1996 Summer Olympics.

Crowds stayed up all night at the Underground Atlanta tourist attraction downtown, awaiting news of the announcement from Tokyo on giant-screen TV sets.

When the word came that Atlanta had been chosen over five other cities to host

the centennial of the modern games, hundreds of citizens jumped, whooped and danced through the streets. Bands and fireworks added to the clamor as the downtown business district erupted into a New Year's Eve-style party.

''I jumped up when I heard it and I started hugging this man I didn't even know,'' squealed a University of Georgia cheerleader, who said she had been at Underground Atlanta since 3:45 a.m.

Atlantans driving to work down the city's famous Peachtree Street began honking their horns, hanging out their car windows and screaming at fellow motorists when the announcement came over the radio.

''This is the biggest day in the history of the city,'' said Dennis Berkholz, an official of the Georgia Dome stadium project under construction. ''It will really push us forward.

The 80,000-seat arena will be part of the city's Olympic complex. Atlanta also must build another new stadium adjacent to its current baseball-football arena as well as an Olympic village around the campus of Georgia Tech.

''I was stunned,'' Berkholz said of Atlanta's selection. ''I think we all thought that Athens was going to get this.''

Athens hosted the 1896 Olympics and had been a favorite to be the site of the 100th anniversary of the modern games.

Moments after the announcement came, trucks from the Atlanta Journal pulled up and newspapers with the huge headline ''It's Atlanta'' started flowing through the throng.

Fulton County Commission Chairman Michael Lomax advised residents to ''celebrate and strut for a while because we have worked hard - 3 1/2 years - then roll up our sleeves and get to work.''

At the ceremony in Tokyo, Atlanta Mayor Maynard Jackson lurched backward, gasped and wiped tears from his eyes when his city was proclaimed host for the games.

''This proves if you don't run the race, there is no way to win,'' a grinning Jackson declared. ''This is the most hotly contested Olympic race in a long, long time.

''This is a victory for the people of Atlanta,'' he said. ''The people made this happen.''

Georgia Gov. Joe Frank Harris, also in Tokyo, said Atlanta won on the ''fourth or fifth'' ballot, eventually getting 51 votes of the 86 votes. Only 44 were needed to win.

Athens led the first two rounds of voting and was tied with Atlanta in the third round, Olympic officials said.

Atlanta, which hosted the 1988 Democratic National Convention, has the necessary lodging facilities to accommodate Olympic spectators with an estimated 35,000 hotel rooms.

''What I want now is for all of our young people to start training at something,'' said former Atlanta mayor Andrew Young, a leader of the city's quest for the games. ''We can't have the world coming to Altanta for the Olympics and not have some Atlantans win some gold medals.

''What we have to work at now is the spirit of the Olympics infusing the lives of our children. We have enough money we have enough spirit.''

In the coastal city of Savannah, site for many waterfront events during the Games, about 80 business leaders and government officials erupted into cheers, whistles and hugs when the announcement of Atlanta's selection was made.

Savannah is to be site of the yachting competition, and local officials predicted the games would bring 7,500 visitors and $80 million to the city.

''It's incredible. It's an incredible feeling. It vindicates that you have to be able to dream,'' said Eli Karatassos, chairman of the Savannah Area Chamber of Commerce, as he dispensed champagne into styrofoam cups.

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#90261u0840 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 17: Purchases of 310,515 shares and sales of 489,047 shares including 71,314 shares sold short.

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#90261u0875 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - Allied powers operating in the Persian Gulf area have agreed to set up individual geographic points of reference for their naval forces. That should help end considerable duplication by the navies as they check ships that may try to break the sea blockade of Iraq. The areas covers the Gulf of Oman, the Strait of Hormuz and the western Gulf waters. The warships come from the United States, Britain, France, Australia, the Netherlands and Italy.

South Africa's attorney general says Winnie Mandela will eventually be prosecuted on four counts of kidnapping and four of assault in the 1988

abduction of four youths. One youth later died, and the body guard to the wife of black leader Nelson Mandela was sentenced to death for the murder. A recommendation has been made that Mrs. Mandela NOT be arrested if she agrees to co-operate with authorities.

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#90261u0919 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 18) UPI - Japan, struggling to find 100 volunteer doctors and nurses to go to the Middle East, dispatched an advance team to Saudi Arabia Tuesday to investigate conditions there.

Also Tuesday, two Japanese airliners prepared to fly to Jordan to pick up Philippine refugees stranded there and fly them to Manila.

And a senior Japanese official said Japan will make no further financial commitments to help in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu pledged Aug. 29 to send 100 medical volunteers to Saudi Arabia, but opposition from the nation's largest medical union and the reluctance of individual doctors and nurses to sign up has hampered the effort a senior Foreign Ministry official acknowleged Tuesday.

Asked how many had volunteered, Foreign Ministry spokesman Taizo Watanabe, said aside from the five doctors and four nurses on the 17- member fact-finding team, others were waiting for detailed information from the team before making a decision.

The medical team, led by a Japanese diplomat, will look into conditions and needs in several Saudi cities, Watanabe said. Most of the medical personnel on the team will remain in Saudi Arabia for one to three months to provide care to refugees and possible military casualties, he said.

The team will will not visit the front lines where U.S.-led multinational forces are gathered, because the medical community fears it would be unconstititutional to send personnel into a possible combat zone, Watanabe said.

The Japanese government does not share that view, Watanabe said, but would respect it ''for the time being.''

Japan's Constitution forbids the use of force in settling international conflicts.

In another phase of Japan's effort to help in the crisis, the government announced it had arranged for two chartered commercial airliners to fly to Jordan to pick up some 600 Philippine refugees who had fled Kuwait after Iraq invaded Aug. 2.

The first plane, a Japan Airlines Boeing 747, was scheduled to leave Tokyo Tuesday night, and the second, an All Nippon Airways 747 was set to take off Wednesday morning.

The planes were to carry food and blankets for refugees who remain in Jordan.

Altogether, Japan has donated $12 million to underwrite the airlift of thousands of refugees out of Jordan, the Foreign Ministry said.

Meanwhile, a senior Finance Ministry official said Japan's total commitment of $4 billion to the Persian Gulf effort had exhausted the government's reserves and forced it to ask agencies to return funds already allocated to them.

No further commitments will be forthcoming, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The government had adequate reserves to cover Japan's first commitment of $1 billion, made Aug. 30, he said. But there are no spare funds to cover the latest commitment, made Friday, of an additional $3 billion, he said.

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#90261u0946 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - America's trade deficit soared an alarming 75 percent to $9.33 billion in July in the worst showing since January, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

''Trade had been expected to be the cushion for the United States in a recession with exports holding up and non-oil imports declining,'' Boston Co. economist Allen Sinai said. ''The July figures showed just the opposite.''

''This ... hints at a bigger recession than expected,'' Sinai said, warning ''the trade deficit can't get any better'' with the Middle East crisis pushing oil prices higher.

Private analysts had expected a deficit of roughly $7.3 billion after a revised shortfall of $5.34 billion in June. In May, the nation's trade deficit stood at $7.77 billion.

Exports, which had provided much of the strength, fell to $32.03 billion in July from a revised $34.22 billion in June, while imports increased to $41.36 billion from a revised $39.56 billion, the department's Census Bureau said.

The totals were adjusted for seasonal factors, and the overall July deficit was the widest since nearly $10.2 billion in January.

Cynthia Latta, an economist at DRI/McGraw Hill in Lexington, Mass., said, ''It

looks to me that we had some months that were extraordinarily low. Overall, the deficit is still running a little less than last year.''

A government spokesman noted that exports of commercial aircraft - which have been a driving force in the industrial sector in recent months - were off an estimated $500 million in July.

Imports of petroleum products, before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent global oil shock, advanced to $4.04 billion in July from $3.76 billion in June, not adjusted for seasonal factors.

The Commerce Department also said ''the June to July change in imports reflected increases in consumer goods, capital goods, industrial supplies and materials, and automotive vehicles, parts and engines.''

''Foods, feeds and beverages, and other merchandise were virtually unchanged '' it added.

''The June to July change in exports reflected decreases in capital goods, foods, feeds and beverages, automotive vehicles, parts and engines, industrial supplies and materials, and consumer goods,'' the department said.

The July trade deficit with Japan fell to $2.97 billion from $3.07 billion in June, while the deficit with the Organization of Petroleum Countries increased to $1.55 billion from $1.18 billion, not adjusted for sesaonal factors.

Looking ahead, analysts at Mitsubishi Bank in New York said, ''Oil will be a problem in August'' as a result of the Iraq crisis.

''We figure that higher August imported crude oil prices will cause the monthly trade deficit to balloon by $2 billion in August,'' the analysts predicted in a newsletter to investors.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $387.60, silver base of $4.79 and platinum price of $459.40:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$403.50	404.70
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	207.00	207.60
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	106.30	106.60
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.90	44.00
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	403.50	404.70

Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	207.00	207.60
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.80	107.10
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.90	44.00
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	410.10	411.20
China Panda .50 troy oz.	211.30	211.80
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.60	109.90
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.30	47.50
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.30	28.30
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	403.60	404.80
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	206.30	206.90
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	104.20	104.50
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.80	45.00
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	402.00	403.30
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	208.10	208.70
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.80	107.10
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	45.50
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	401.60	403.20
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	206.50	207.30
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.60	87.90
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.90	46.00
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.30	23.90
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.20	$6.20
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,740	$3,480
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,500	$1,500
Platinum		
Australian Koala	482.00	480.00
Isle of Man Noble	470.00	468.00
Canada Maple Leaf	482.00	480.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90261u0990 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - It doesn't take much to figure that inflation is up because of higher oil prices. And that is what the Iraq crisis produced for the U-S in August. Consumer prices jumped eight-tenths of one percent last month... half of it traced to higher oil costs. The energy jump is the worst since January.

The nation's love for anything foreign continued in July with the worst monthly trade deficit figure since January. The trade deficit soared to nine-point-three-BILLION dollars, up 75 percent. NONE of this includes any of the higher oil prices that ripped through the economy in August.

There will be more co-ordination now between navy vessels from six allied powers trying to enforce the blockade against Iraq. Agreements reached by the French, British, Dutch and Italian navies should cut down on a duplication of effort. A meeting is expected in Paris soon to discuss further co-ordination of European ground forces in the gulf region.

The shuttle Columbia remains on the ground at Cape Canaveral, where it will stay until at least after a four-day, high-priority mission for the Discovery scheduled to begin on October 8th. A fourth attempt to launch Columbia failed when another hydrogen leak was discovered during fueling late yesterday.

Talks continue in Manila over the fate of U-S military installations in the Philippines. The government of President Aquino has called for an orderly withdrawal of U-S forces. The chief U-S negotiator acknowledges the request but says time is needed to make sure the withdrawal is done correctly.

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#90261u1012 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 18) UPI - An electrical problem caused a partial power outage at the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday, delaying the opening of trading in several contracts.

The problem also affected elevators and telephone service in the building.

Power was restored at 7:40 a.m., and trading was scheduled to begin at 8:45 a.m.

''The outage was caused by a transformer failure on the 13th floor and affected the board's computers,'' CBOT spokesman Mark Prout said. ''We had lights, but it brought down the central computer system and the elevators.''

Trading could not be conducted during the outage because all quotes must be entered in the computer.

''If you can't put quotes in (the computer) you can't trade. It's against the Commodities Exchange Act,'' Prout said.

The first to be affected were Treasury Bond futures which were scheduled to open at 7:20 a.m. and Major Market Index futures at 8:15 a.m.

Trading in other commodities at the exchange were scheduled to open at their

normal times.

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#90261u1016 09/18/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 18) UPI - Officials in Thailand say squabbling Cambodian leaders postponed a second formal meeting of a national council designed to return peace to Cambodia because they can't agree on the leadership of the group. The so-called ''Supreme National Council'' met formally for the first time yesterday, but failed to elect a chairman.

A large turnout is predicted in Massachusetts today as voters cast ballots for primary candidates trying to win spots in the November general election. Independent voters may be a key factor in the outcome. A comfortable fall day is forecast. The polls remain open until early tonight

Broadcast news reports in Los Angeles say a California grand jury has issued sealed indictments against Phoenix developer Charles Keating Junior and three others in the collapse of Lincoln Savings and Loan. The charges are expected to be made public today. The Lincoln collapse was one of the costliest thrift failures ever.

There will be funeral services in Farmington Hills, Michigan, tomorrow for Kenneth Meisel, a former member of the Les Brown and Charlie Barnett big bands. Meisel died of a heart attack during a fishing trip last weekend. He was 76. Meisel was the lead trombone player in the Les Brown band's classic recording, ''Sentimental Journey.''

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#90261u1026 09/18/1990 ~United Press International
MIAMI (SEPT. 18) UPI - Part of the national AIDS Memorial Quilt was vandalized after members of a singles club meeting at a Miami hotel asked that it be removed from display because it was ''ugly.''

Two teddy bears were cut from quilt panels during the weekend and were later found in boxes headed for the garbage, the display organizer and a hotel manager said.

''It's like going to a cemetery and kicking over tombstones,'' said Jerry Suarez, chairman of the South Florida Names Project, which set up the quilt display.

Officially called the Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt, it is a handmade memorial to people who have died of the incurable virus. The full patchwork, made of 3-foot-by-6-foot panels, bears 12,600 names and is the size of four football fields.

Four 12-foot-by-12-foot sections, each made of eight panels, were on display in the mezzanine at the Hotel Inter-Continental. They were to have been on display until Saturday in conjunction with a conference of the National Council on Foundations, a consortium of grant-awarding groups.

The vandalism apparently occurred after a hotel employee took down one of the sections Friday night, said Jurgen Dinger, the hotel's resident manager.

The Club Connection, which touts itself as ''Miami's most selective singles social club,'' was holding a function in the hotel ballroom and asked that the quilt be removed because someone in the group considered it ''ugly,'' Dinger said.

''There was no management employee who was there to see that it did not happen '' Dinger said.

The club's owners could not be reached for comment.

Suarez went looking for the quilt Saturday and hotel employees found it wadded up in a closet.

Suarez inspected the sections and found that teddy bears had been removed from two panels, the one he made for his father and the one Shelley Rappaport made for her friend, Mickey Bonavina.

''It's not just a teddy bear,'' Rappaport said. ''It's the only memorial I have. That's why it hurts so much.''

Bonavina had given the bear to a friend, who gave it to Rappaport and asked her to add it to the memorial quilt. Suarez's teddy bear wore surgical scrubs and had been given to his father, a doctor, just before he died.

''I sewed the one on my father's panel,'' Suarez said. ''It didn't just come off. I used nylon fishing line. You could tell someone took scissors to it.''

The bears were found Saturday night and had been dumped into a box with papers that the hotel manager said would have been thrown out.

Scott Lago, head of display marketing for the national Names Project, said sections of the three-year-old quilt have been displayed around the world, including 257 times this year alone, and have never been vandalized.

Although the patchwork will be repaired, Suarez and Rappaport said the incident is indicative of insensitivity about AIDS.

''It was very difficult to explain how much this meant,'' Rappaport said. ''It's like, would someone walk up to the Vietnam War Memorial and start scratching names off?''

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#90261u1045 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

TAMPA, FL (SEPT. 18) UPI - A man convicted in California of raping a 15-year-old girl and hacking off her arms walked out of a county jail Tuesday after serving 48 days on a petty theft charge.

Lawrence Singleton, 62, initially pleaded innocent to the second- degree misdemeanor charge of petty theft, but changed his plea July 31, citing his past record and saying he didn't believe he could get a fair trial.

He was released at about 6 a.m. Tuesday - 12 days short of his maximum 60-day sentence.

Singleton was arrested by sheriff's deputies April 8 at a Brandon drugstore in rural Hillsborough County.

He was at the center of controversy in 1987 after serving eight years and four months of a 14-year sentence for raping the teenager and leaving her for dead along a roadside in central California in 1978.

A storm of protests followed his release from prison in San Quentin, Calif., as officials tried in vain to find a community where he could serve out his one-year parole.

He was finally housed within San Quentin for his protection, officials said.

Singleton was arrested in Brandon after a security guard at a Phar- Mor drugstore spotted him taking a Fuji Quicksnap camera from a display.

A Sheriff's Office report says Singleton removed the $9.98 camera from its package and headed for the store exit. He was stopped by the security guard before he could leave the store.

The guard held him for about 15 minutes until deputies arrived and arrested him. Singleton was given a court notice and released. He said nothing during the process, sheriff's records show.

A former merchant seaman and two-time divorcee, Singleton arrived in Tampa in May 1988. When he registered as a Florida citizen, he told authorities he was fully disabled and living on social security.

Shortly after his arrival in Tampa, someone tossed a homemade bomb on the front lawn of Singleton's brother's house, where he was staying. No one was injured, and there were no arrests.

Singleton had managed to maintain a low-key lifestyle until his April arrest,

and shied away from reporters when he had to make appearances in court.

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#90261u1047 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - The Federal National Mortgage Association announced Tuesday the retirement of chairman David Maxwell effective Jan. 31 and said he would be replaced by vice chairman James Johnson.

Roger Birk will continue as president of Fannie Mae, a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company, and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

''I have long believed that if, after 10 years as head of a large corporation, you have accomplished what you set out to do, you should make way for fresh leadership,'' said Maxwell, whose contract expires at the end of January.

''I will leave Fannie Mae with a deep sense of accomplishment,'' he said. ''I am proud that we have made homeownership more affordable for millions of Americans of modest means and that we have built one of the strongest financial institutions in America.''

Fannie Mae said it completed 10 consecutive quarters of record earnings at the end of the second quarter and has added $1.8 billion to capital and reserves for a total of more than $4 billion.

The government-sponsored enterprise also said that since Maxwell became chairman, it has channeled more than $450 billion in mortgage money from financial markets to more than 7 million families.

Johnson, the chairman designate, joined Fannie Mae in January as vice chairman from Shearson Lehman Hutton Inc., where he was a managing director.

He also served as president of Public Strategies, a Washington consulting firm and worked as an executive assistant to former Vice President Walter Mondale.

''I am committed to fulfilling Fannie Mae's responsibility to meet both conventional and special housing needs and to maintaining and enhancing our financial strength,'' Johnson said.

Fannie Mae expects to finance 10 million homes in the 1990s.

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#90261u1072 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

SAN ANTONIO, TX (SEPT. 18) UPI - A U.S. Bankruptcy Court judge late Monday approved a proposal to sell Fairchild Aircraft Corp. for $66.5 million to a group made up mostly of former company executives.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Leif Clark decided following an eight-hour hearing that the best bidder was Fairchild Acquisition Corp., headed by Carl A. Albert, chairman of the Wings West regional airline, and several former Fairchild Aircraft executives.

The trustee for the financially ailing regional airplane maker had approved on Aug. 14 a preliminary plan for Fairchild Acquisition to purchase Fairchild Aircraft, but a special provision allowed negotiations to continue with other companies until Monday's confirmation hearing.

Fairchild Acquisition will begin operations Monday, assuming a $37 million debt to Chicago-based Sanwa Business Credit Corp., Fairchild Aircraft's chief lender.

Fairchild Acquisition will provide $5 million in cash to pay secured debts, priority claims such as employee paychecks and administrative expenses, using remaining funds to pay any unsecured creditors.

Fairchild Aircraft had filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on Feb. 1, listing total assets of $92 million and total liabilities of $86.4 million.

The world's leading manufacturer of 19-seat regional airplanes now employs about 230 people after laying off more than 700 workers since last summer.

While Fairchild Aircraft trustee Bettina White said Fairchild Acquisition was the only prospective buyer with the money in place by Monday, other bidders had come forward, including Los Angeles-based Futuristic Acquisition Inc. and Columbus, Ohio-based Snow Aviation International Inc.

Representatives of Israel Aircraft Industries Limited and Quadrant Management Inc. of New York were on hand at Monday's hearing. The two groups had proposed a joint venture, but Sanwa reportedly turned down their financing proposal.

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#90261u1073 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (SEPT. 18) UPI - Viktor Ambartsumyan, the father of Soviet astronomy and president of the Armenian Academy of Sciences, spent his 82nd birthday on a hunger strike ''to let the world know'' about the situation in Nagorno-Karabakh.

Decrying what he described as Azerbaijan's denial of rights to the Armenian inhabitants of the Nagorno-Karabakh enclave, Ambartsumyan said: ''I want to make a huge resonance in the world - to let the world know.''

Ambartsumyan, an honorary or corresponding member of the academies of sciences of at least 10 countries, spent the fifth day of his political protest fast in

the Moskva Hotel within the sight of the Kremlin.

A vase of pink roses to mark Ambartsumyan's birthday stood on a table next to the bed on which the world renowned scientist rested under a blue blanket and recounted details of his life and his battle for the Armenians of Nagorno-Karabakh.

Ambartsumyan recalled that dictator Josef Stalin gave Nagorno- Karabakh with its Christian Armenian majority to Moslem Azerbaijan in 1923 to curry favor with Turkey - the starting point he said for the present Armenian dispute with the Azerbaijanis.

Ambartsumyan, in the fifth day of his hunger strike, was in the same hotel room with another Armenian political faster Zori Balayan, 55, a people's deputy and writer for the prestigious Literaturnaya Gazeta newspaper.

Ambartsumyan and Balayan said the Soviet authorities had inflamed the atmosphere 21 months ago when the local regional council that ruled Nagorno-Karabakh was disbanded depriving the Armenians of their representatives.

The two protesters, who said they eventually want Nagorno-Karabakh ''reunited'' with Armenia, said the goal of their current fast was to press for the immediate restoration of the legal authority in Nagorno- Karabakh.

''This is a modest step,'' Ambartsumyan said.

Ambartsumyan, an astrophysicist and one of the first renowned scientists of the Soviet Union, is known for his work on the how planets reflect light and for devising a method for estimating the age of stellar clusters.

Ambartsumyan said he would continue his hunger strike for about two more days, noting his age and that he was on vacation in Moscow when he decided to stop eating and sip only distilled water.

Ambartsumyan's son, Ruben, 50, a mathematician and member of the Armenian Academy of Sciences also, watched over his father on his 82nd birthday.

''I remember the the beginning of the century and now the 20th century is ending,'' the famed scientist reflected.

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#90261u1093 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (SEPT. 18) UPI - Pan American World Airways is poised to cut up to 10 percent of its work force, or about 2,800 workers nationwide, a newspaper reported Tuesday.

Airline officials in New York declined to comment on the report but Bill Genoese, director of the airline division of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, which represents about 6,500 Pan Am employees, said the cuts were triggered by soaring fuel prices.

''Pan Am has plans to cut up to 10 percent due to the fuel crisis. The cuts will be across the board,'' Genoese told The Miami Herald.

''Right now, I have no comment other than to say we are studying work force levels,'' Pan Am spokeswoman Susan Timper said Tuesday.

Pan Am could announce the cuts as early as Wednesday, when company Chairman Thomas Plaskett is scheduled to address analysts in New York, the Herald said.

The airline employs about 28,000 workers nationwide, including about 7,000 in Miami. The newspaper said south Florida workers may be spared, however, because of Pan Am's continued emphasis on its hub operation in Miami.

The price of jet fuel has soared in the wake of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2. Major U.S. carriers hiked ticket prices by 5.3 percent on Aug. 30 in an effort to recoup some of that additional cost.

Several airlines, including Delta Air Lines, Eastern Airlines, American Airlines and USAir, announced plans last week to raise prices by an additional 4.2 percent on Oct. 1.

Pan Am annnounced plans to raise its fares by 4.4 percent.

Airline officials have said the fare hikes will not cover the additional cost of jet fuel, however.

A spokesman for Delta in Atlanta said jet fuel prices at his airline have risen by 33.5 cents a gallon since the crisis began, boosting the airline's fuel bill by about $670 million annually.

Pan Am would be the second major carrier to announce such layoffs.

Last month, USAir announced plans to cut 7 percent of its workforce, or about 3,600 workers.

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#90261u1096 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (SEPT. 18) UPI - Kuwaiti athletes defied Iraqi demands they compete at the Asian Games under Baghdad's banner and instead hoisted their own national flag Tuesday, officially entering 43 athletes as a team devastated by the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The 43 Kuwaitis, remnants of a delegation that originally numbered about 330, were believed to have been training in Europe when the invasion occurred.

''With so many friends gathering in the big sports family, this fact shows in itself that the people of Asia love peace,'' said Sheikh Ahmad Fahad al Sabah, the new president of the Kuwait National Olympic Committee.

''We believe that in the near future, we can entertain our Chinese friends in the state of Kuwait,'' said Sabah, who succeeded his father, Fahad al Ahmad al Sabah, after he was slain during the assault by Iraqi troops into Kuwait.

The Kuwaiti delegation hoisted their flag and registered to participate despite Iraqi demands they compete under the Iraqi flag when the Games open Saturday.

The 38 members of the Olympic Council of Asia have scheduled a vote on Thursday in Beijing on a proposal to bar Iraq from the Games. The OCA executive committee has recommended ouster, and China has indicated it will abide by the full council's vote.

The Kuwaiti act of defiance came as Mars Inc. said it has no immediate plans to change its distribution of M&M candies at the games despite a threat that a package of the candies was poisoned in Hong Kong as an anti-Games protest, a spokeswoman said.

The threat, reported by a Chinese-language newspaper in Hong Kong, was the first such incident reported related to the Games, the first major international sports event hosted by China.

Stores in Hong Kong began pulling M&Ms from their shelves Tuesday after the newspaper reported receiving an unsigned letter claiming an anonymous group had poisoned a single package of the candies in Hong Kong with sodium cyanide.

The American candy maker Mars Inc. is a major sponsor of the Asian Games and plans to sell and give out large quantities of M&Ms in Beijing during the two-week event.

Jane Brook, a Mars spokeswoman in Beijing, noted the threat did not pertain to local supplies. She said the company had no immediate plans to change its distribution or withdraw any of its candies, but was still working on its response.

''What we're thinking of first is the safety of Hong Kong consumers,'' Brook said. ''The letter said a single packet on the shelf in Hong Kong had been opened, so it doesn't affect any products here and doesn't look like it will affect (Beijing) operations at all.''

The anonymous letter was first believed to be a hoax, but the Hong Kong

distributor later urged consumers to inspect packages.

The letter criticized the Chinese government for the suppression of the pro-democracy movement in June 1989 and charged the Games were being ''used shamelessly by the authorities to promote a state of tranquility and show the butchers are firmly in power.''

''M&M chocolates, which called itself the official sponsor of the Games, is guilty of supporting the illegal regime,'' it said.

Mars, which has pledged $2 million to the Games, has blanketed Beijing and the Asian Games sites with promotional posters, candy kiosks and logos.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Countrywide Credit Ind (2nd Q 8-31)	
$33,281,000	$25,788,000
$5,134,000 (.26)	$3,409,000 (.20)
Devlieg-Bullard (4th Q 7-31)	
$25,449,000	$17,946,000
$2,509,000 (.20)	$887,000 (.10)
Genl Public Utils (8 Mos 8-31)	
$1,490,001,000	$1,468,207,000
$201,282,000 (3.63)	$201,692,000 (3.55)
New Jersey Steel (3rd Q 8-31)	
$36,870,000	$32,331,000
$2,486,000 (.43)	$1,257,000 (.22)
Topps Co (2nd Q 9-1)	
$71,193,000	$55,946,000
$14,230,000 (.30)	$10,034,000 (.21)

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - Several groups favoring abortion rights urged the Senate Judiciary Committee Tuesday to reject David Souter's nomination to the Supreme Court, saying he could be the deciding vote toward overturning a landmark abortion ruling.

Souter spent his 51st birthday Monday in a third session before the panel - a grueling 9 1/2-hour session side-stepping more abortion questions and defending his views about court activism on social issues.

On Tuesday, several groups favoring abortion rights urged the panel to reject the nomination of the federal appeals court judge, saying Souter likely will cast the deciding vote toward overturning the 1973 landmark Roe vs. Wade ruling that guaranteed a woman's right to an abortion. Meanwhile, supporters defended the nominee, saying it is useless to speculate on how Souter would rule on such issues because the jurist, as the head of the New Hampshire Bar Association said, ''simply does not prejudge cases.''

''Nothing in Judge Souter's record or testimony has convinced us that he recognizes a fundamental right to privacy, including the right to choose (abortion),'' Kate Michelman, executive director of the National Abortion Rights Action League, testified.

''After listening to the testimony, we remain intensely concerned that, if confirmed, Judge Souter would destroy 17 years of precedent and cast the deciding vote to overrule Roe vs. Wade,'' Michelman added.

The high court has chipped away at Roe vs. Wade in recent years and is likely to consider a full challenge to the case. The court is seen as one vote away from reversing the decision.

Molly Yard, president of the National Organization for Women, told the committee that Souter's testimony should raise concern not only that Souter would cast the deciding vote in an abortion challenge, but a Supreme Court that includes Souter also could reverse earlier privacy rulings establishing a right to use birth control devices.

''I tremble for this country if you confirm David Souter,'' Yard said.

Sen. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., who was considered a potential swing vote entering the hearings, on Monday told Souter, ''I believe you will be confirmed.'' Several Republican committee members also have expressed confidence the nominee will be endorsed by the committee. No committee member has publicly announced an intention to vote against Souter.

Souter, nominated by President Bush to replace retired liberal Justice William Brennan, again refused Monday to answer questions relating to his personal views on abortion, having said such an answer would be inappropriate because of the likelihood he would have to rule on an abortion challenge if he is confirmed.

Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., asked Souter what would be the practical effect if the Supreme Court overturned Roe vs. Wade.

''The issue would become a legislative judgment in every state,'' Souter said. ''I think that it's safe to say that those legislative judgments would not be uniform. There would be, I'd dare say, a considerable variety in scope of protection afforded or not afforded (for abortion).''

Souter also said a successful challenge to Roe vs. Wade would call into question several earlier Supreme Court rulings, such as a marital privacy case involving the right to use contraception that served as the underpinning of the abortion decision.

''Whatever the court does,'' Souter said later, ''someone's life, indeed thousands of lives, will be affected and that fact must be appreciated.''

Some members of the panel have said they believe Souter will be confirmed, but chairman Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., cautioned, ''Some of us still haven't made up our minds'' and said he had ''gone from leaning against voting for to leaning for voting for you to leaning against voting for you.''

Souter, the quiet jurist who remained unflappable throughout his three days before the committee, wrapped up his appearance by thanking Biden for his ''consummate fairness.'' Smiling broadly, after concluding his testimony, he shook hands with Biden and Sen. Edward Kennedy, D- Mass., who had posed the toughest questions to the nominee.

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#90261u1109 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 18) UPI - Japan officially dropped the phrase ''Soviet threat'' from its vocabulary Tuesday with the release of a Defense White Paper that concludes Soviet aggression in Asia is unlikely.

Japan, a latecomer to detente, continued to refer to the Soviets as a threat throughout the 1980s.

But the 1990 Defense White Paper concluded that, ''Considering the recent Soviet domestic situation and international environment, the Soviet Union would have difficulty pursuing an aggressive action against other nations.''

A year earlier, the white paper insisted there was no change in the Soviet Union's military power in the Far East. Based on that analysis, Japan decided to increase defense spending for fiscal 1990 by 6.1 percent.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, not wanting to seem too far out of step with other major democracies, pressured the Defense Agency to drop the phrase ''Soviet threat'' in this year's white paper, news reports said.

Kaifu is preparing to welcome Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to Japan in

April 1990, and both sides are looking for ways to improve relations before the visit, the first ever by a Soviet leader.

Tokyo and Moscow have been at odds since the end of World War II over the ownership of a chain of desolate islands north of Japan that are occupied by the Soviets but claimed by Japan.

The Defense Agency reportedly wanted to continue using the phrase ''Soviet threat,'' in part because it hopes to avoid major budget cuts. This year Japan will write a new five-year defense plan to begin in fiscal 1991, and many politicians are pushing for reductions.

Defense Agency officials, commenting on the white paper, said their basic evaluation of Soviet strength has not changed, but they expect the Soviet threat to diminish.

''The agency decided to eliminate the phrase in question out of an expectation that the Soviet Union will most likely reduce its military force in the Far East,'' said Defense Minister Yozo Ishikawa.

The paper details cuts in Soviet forces in the Far East, saying 30, 000 troops 15 warships and 190 airplanes have been withdrawn from the region.

But it cautions the Soviets are improving the quality of their forces while reducing the quantity.

The report also warns the situation in Asia is ''fluid and uncertain, '' and points to the civil war in Cambodia, tension in Korea and the Soviet-Japanese conflict over islands as possible hot spots.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 90.00-91.75 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.25-1.40 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 137.00-140.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.00-$459.00; dealer- approx., $459.00-$474.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 277.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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#90261u1147 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - A Boston Herald pressman shot and critically wounded by a masked gunman Monday night shortly after he arrived for work died Tuesday morning, authorities said.

The victim, Joseph Gauthier, 30, of the Charlestown section, died at Boston City Hospital where he had undergone emergency surgery for multiple gunshot wounds, the hospital said.

The shooting took place in a lockerroom in the newspaper's press area shortly after 10 p.m., a Herald spokesman said.

Witnesses told police a masked man walked up and down between the rows of lockers, nodding to other pressmen in the room at the time. Then a number of shots rang out, and Gauthier ran from the building shouting, ''I've been shot.''

The gunman, wearing a Halloween-type mask, fled the building and escaped, he said. How he escaped from the building was not immediately known, police said.

The wrinkled rubber mask made the gunman look like an old man, witnesses said.

''I saw this guy walk in and thought to myself that he looked kind of sickly '' said one Herald employee.

Police said witnesses described the assailant as about 6-foot-4, 250 pounds and wearing a black and white lumber jacket in addition to the mask.

The Herald has security personnel at the parking lot and front door, but there are several other ways of getting into the building.

Gauthier had just arrived for work and was getting ready for his shift when the gunman entered the lockerroom and began firing, the Herald spokesman said.

He said the pressman was struck at least twice, in the arm and chest.

The Herald said the victim was a former Marine who served in Lebanon and Grenada. He had worked as a guard at the Charles Street Jail in Boston before coming to the Herald about 18 months ago.

There was no known motive for the shooting, he said.

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#90261u1149 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - Allied naval forces working in the Persian Gulf area will now co- ordinate their activities to avoid duplication as they enforce the U-N shipping embargo against Iraq. The agreement breaks the search areas down to geographical reference points and should increase the embargo's effectiveness. The French Navy announced the agreement on spheres of responsibility for the United States, Australia, France, Britain, the Netherlands and Italy. .

At the same time, the flow of refugees trying to get out of Kuwait has slowed as Saudi Arabia carefully checks identity papers. There are reports of occupying Iraqi forces detaining young Kuwaiti men on the other side of the border. Saudi authorities want to block the possibility of terrorists infiltrating the kingdom on stolen identification papers.

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A court appearance could come as early as next week as South Africa pushes ahead with a possible trial for Winnie Mandela, wife of black leader Nelson Mandela. She faces charges in the 1988 kidnapping-murder of a 14-year-old boy, a crime that has led to a death sentence for her chief bodyguard.

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#90261u1150 09/18/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 18) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Alaska Air Group	Q	.05	11-2	10-12
Circuit City Stores	Q	.02 1/2	10-15	9-28
Commercial Metals	Q	.13	10-26	10-12
Dorchester Hugoton	Q	.05	10-26	9-30
Fst Fed Savings Lagrge	Q	.14	10-1	9-21
First Mich Bank Co	Q	.14	10-30	9-29
Heritage Bankcorp	Q	.13	10-15	9-30
Lincoln Savings Bank	Q	.12	10-12	10-5
McCormick & Co	Q	.12	10-10	9-28
Repap Enterprises	Q	.07	10-26	9-28
Storage Properties	Q	.25	10-15	9-28
Tootsie Roll Indust	Q	.05 3/4	10-10	9-27
Ziegler Co	Q	.13	10-19	10-5

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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#90261u1154 09/18/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (SEPT. 18) UPI - Trading was choppy and grain and soybean futures were mixed at midmorning Tuesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Soybeans rallied early on reports of a slight deterioration in the condition of the crop during the past week. A pick-up in export business and the forecast for cooler weather provided additional support, but the early gains were eroded by profit-taking and liquidation.

Soybean oil and meal prices were virtually unchanged.

Corn futures were narrowly mixed and the volume was light as traders were on both sides of the market. The weekly crop survey indicated little change in the condition of the corn crop last week.

Wheat prices turned lower on the lack of export business and adequate supplies around the world.

Country movement was very light and basis levels were mixed.

Overnight rainfall amounts in the Grain Belt ranged from a trace to just over an inch in eastern North Dakota and 1.36 inches at Russell, Kan.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.36 1/2 up 3/4; Dec 2.25 1/2 unch; Mar 2.35 1/2 up 1/4.

Soybeans Sep 6.15 off 1/2; Nov 6.26 3/4 up 1/4; Jan 6.41 1/4 unch; Mar 6.54 1/4 off 1/4.

Wheat Sep 2.58 1/4 off 2 3/4; Dec 2.73 3/4 off 2 1/4; Mar 2.88 1/4 off 2 1/2.

Oats Sep 1.10 1/2 up 1 1/4; Dec 1.17 3/4 up 1/4; Mar 1.28 1/2 up 1/2.

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#90261u1178 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

DAYTON, Ohio (SEPT. 18) UPI - The Standard Register Co. said Tuesday it will be forced to lay off workers and close plants because of poor operating results in July and August.

The manufacturer of business forms had no word on the plant locations or the size of the layoffs, but said details would be released soon. Douglas Lunne, company spokesman, said an announcement will probably be made within 60 days.

The company said a weakening economy and a Sept. 1 increase in paper prices would hurt profits in the quarter ending Sept. 30. As a result, Standard Register is beginning a major cost reduction program, Lunne said.

Along with the layoffs, Standard Register will close several production facilities in an effort to cut costs in the next six months, said John Darragh president and chief executive officer.

Darragh said savings from the cutbacks will begin showing up in the fourth quarter.

Standard Register has 37 major production facilities in about 23 states. There was no word on whether some of the layoffs could occur at the company's Dayton headquarters or a local printing plant.

The cutbacks are necessary because the company doesn't foresee an early end to the decreased demand for business forms, and because of price competition, Darragh said.

Standard Register's third-quarter earnings per share will be below the 25 cents recorded in the same quarter a year ago, and net income for 1990 will fall below the $1.35 a share in 1989, the company said.

Standard Register reported record earnings in the first quarter this year of $9.5 million, or 32 cents a share. In the second quarter, earnings were $8.7

million, or 30 cents a share - a drop of 7 percent from the same period in 1989.

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#90261u1187 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - Budget negotiators, deadlocked Tuesday over Republican insistence on cutting capital gains taxes without a corresponding tax increase on the rich, hoped congressional and administration leaders could find a way out of the impasse.

The five top congressional leaders are scheduled to meet Tuesday afternoon with three top Bush administration officials to try and resolve the issue.

That Capitol Hill leadership meeting was set up after the larger group of 17 negotiators, meeting at the officers' club at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington, concluded late Monday they could not break the deadlock on capital gains and that further talks were pointless.

''Capital gains is the primary barrier towards getting an agreement,'' House Budget Committee Chairman Leon Panetta, D-Calif., a negotiator, told reporters Tuesday. ''With no give on capital gains, we simply can't pull an agreement together.''

House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., sharply criticized President Bush and Republican negotiators for continuing to press for a capital gains tax cut, which he said benefits the wealthy, without agreeing to an offsetting increase in taxes on the rich.

''The administration wants to hand them (the rich) a major tax reduction ... and I think that is unjustifiable," Foley said. "I do not think it is possible to defend, to justify, any reduction in capital gains standing alone.''

"We really have a serious problem - there's no question about it," Foley said.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine told reporters that ''while some specifics remain, those could be resolved quickly if we can resolve the tax issue. The main obstacle is the tax issue.''

Talking to reporters aboard Air Force One before leaving on a two-day political trip, Bush said, ''I can't really predict what's going to happen'' at the talks.

''I think everybody ... agrees we've come a long ways but it's not done by a long shot,'' Bush said.

Bush, the chief proponent of cutting capital gains taxes on profits from the sale of assets, said the cut was not a stumbling block to agreement ''as far

as I'm concerned.''

In a statement released Monday night after talks broke off, Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas said, ''It's not quite an impasse but it's pretty close to one.''

''It's going to be tough, but it's still not impossible and no one is giving up,'' Dole said. ''The problem is we're running out of time. It's going to take a miracle finish by Congress to get the job done.''

Negotiators at the bipartisan budget talks - which began May 15 and moved to Andrews Air Force Base in suburban Washington Sept. 7 - are trying to craft a package of tax increases and spending cuts to slash the federal budget deficit by $50 billion in fiscal year 1991, which begins Oct. 1, and by $500 billion over five years.

Negotiators are facing an Oct. 1 deadline for a deal. Without one, $105.7 billion in automatic, across-the-board spending cuts, split between defense and domestic programs, will be triggered.

Those cuts are the punishment imposed for failing to meet deficit targets of the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law. The target for fiscal 1991 is $64 billion and the projected deficit is $168.8 billion.

''We have gotten down to the very end point,'' a Democratic source said late Monday. ''We (Democrats) have come as far as we can come, and they have come as far as they can come. ... It all depends on exactly how intransigent they are on capital gains. I think we have made every concession we can.''

The source said both sides put new offers on the table Monday and that ''the Democratic package has moved substantially toward what the Republicans are demanding.''

However, the Democratic source said of the GOP proposal: ''Their final offer is very similar to what their first offer was,'' except on defense spending, where Republicans have agreed to cut about $9.9 billion in 1991 and $170 billion over five years.

Democrats, the source said, have proposed a $10 billion Pentagon spending cut next year and at least $178 billion over five years.

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#90261u1202 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

GENEVA (SEPT. 18) UPI - U.S. trade representative Carla Hills said Tuesday she believes there can still be a ''good'' agreement by the scheduled conclusion in December of the Uruguay Round of global trade liberalization negotiations.

The talks began in 1986 but are snarled 10 weeks before the scheduled end, mainly because of a U.S.-European Community dispute over agriculture and differences over service sectors such as banking and insurance.

Trade ministers from the 97 Uruguay Round participating nations are supposed to adopt a final package at a Dec. 4-7 conference in Brussels, Belgium.

Hills said after three days on assessment talks in Geneva that she was ''somewhat concerned.''

''We have only 45 working days left.....but a long way to go,'' she said. ''But I remain an optimist and believe we will conclude in December with a good agreement.''

Hills, the chief U.S. trade negotiator, was scheduled to accompanied by a U.S. business and labor delegation Tuesday evening night as she flew to Brussels for talks with EC representatives on major remaining issues.

Hills said she would also seek resolution of the sideline dispute over the Airbus jetliner which the U.S. maintains is subsidized against rules of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

The United States is ''not satisfied'' with EC offers so far, she said. Talks will proceed, but the issue may be resolved as the U.S. is scheduled to ask Sept. 30 for a special GATT trade dispute panel to rule on the complaint.

U.S.-EC differences also have jeopardized the Uruguay Round objective of first-time inclusion of farm products in a trade liberalization agreement.

Hills said the EC so far has come ''nowhere near'' matching the U.S. proposal for a 70 percent cut in domestic farm supports, and an even steeper cut in export subsidies like those provided European farmers.

''I do not see any possibility of extending the Round,'' she said when asked about private remarks by delegates that any significant package is impossible in the little time remaining.

Hill said the U.S. government is ''politically committed'' to a December conclusion.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 18) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Tuesday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 74-77; large 70-76; medium 56-62.

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#90261u1234 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 18) UPI - African National Congress leaders met in urgent session Tuesday to plan their response to tough security measures implemented by the government to quell black internecine strife.

ANC spokesman Saki Macozoma said there was ''quite a significant chance'' the policy-making National Executive Committee would suspend peace talks with Pretoria in retaliation for the security measures but ANC leader Nelson Mandela said Monday negotiations may continue.

Mandela told reporters in the Cape Province during a visit Monday the 34-member ANC executive committee would meet over two days to discuss the government's ''intolerable'' response to the violence in black townships surrounding Johannesburg.

''If we find there is no will on the part of the government to take emphatic steps to stop this violence, then we will have to take a decision that will reverse almost everything that was done since May this year,'' Mandela said.

But he added it was unlikely the talks would be called off ''because we initiated them... We must hold our ground. But all this is subject to the government carrying out its duties.''

Relations between the ANC and the government also received a blow Tuesday from the announcement that prosecutors would try Mandela's wife Winnie Mandela on charges of kidnapping and assault in connection with the 1988 abduction and murder of a 14-year-old boy by her chief bodyguard.

Seven weeks ago, before the outbreak of the conflict which has killed as many as 750 people, the ANC and the government were moving steadily towards power-sharing negotiations on ending apartheid.

Mandela told President Frederik de Klerk Friday the ANC executive committee would be discussing demands from township residents that they be armed to protect themselves from further attack if the government failed to take adequate security measures.

On Saturday, police announced operation ''Iron Fist'' - a sweeping strategy to curb the township conflict with roadblocks, heavily armed patrols, and

barbed-wire barricades. Mandela immediately condemned the measures as excessive, ''a licence to kill'' township residents.

The ''Iron Fist'' measures have apparently calmed the townships and restored a tense peace after the savage, tribal-style battles between mainly Xhosa supporters of the ANC and the rival Zulu movement Inkatha.

But the ANC noted the security force action does not address the cause of the strife, which the movement claims is a shadowy ''third force'' manipulating clashes between migrant-worker Zulus supporting Inkatha and the predominantly Xhosa township dwellers.

De Klerk has conceded there may be a hidden force, but insists the original cause is tribal conflict. He also has said the talks process may be threatened if the parties lose trust in each other.

De Klerk legalized the ANC in February as part of his sweeping racial reforms, and on May 2-4 held the first round of talks with the movement aimed at clearing the way to substantive negotiations on ending apartheid.

ANC and Cabinet teams met for the second time Aug. 5, and after more than 12 hours of discussion apparently opened the way to full-blown negotiations after the ANC announced a suspension of its 29-year guerrilla war.

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#90261u1256 09/18/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - mixed.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 83-85; large 80- 83 and mediums 63-66.

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#90261u1259 09/18/1990 ~United Press International
DETROIT (SEPT. 18) UPI - The United Auto Workers union achieved its priority goals of protecting workers' jobs and incomes against sales-related layoffs in the tentative agreement with General Motors Corp., UAW officials said Tuesday.

The union also said it won improvements to restrict outsourcing and managed to protect pensions against inflation.

Members of the union's GM Council met Tuesday morning to hear details of the

agreement reached early Monday and they were expected to approve the settlement.

After that, the agreement goes before GM's 310,000 hourly workers. A ratification vote is expected by Sept. 30 or shortly thereafter.

If the contract is ratified by the rank-and-file at GM plants, the UAW then will try to fit the agreement to workers at Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp.

Highlights of the tentative agreement include a 3 percent general wage increase in the first year and 3 percent lump-sum payments in the second and third years, with cost-of-living formulas maintained.

GM workers also will receive $600 Christmas bonuses in 1991 and 1992. Under a new job security program, layoffs for any reason are limited to 36 weeks while GM must still hire one worker for every two who quit, retire or die.

GM has earmarked more than $4.2 billion for an unprecedented income security program. Health care benefits have been improved with the UAW resisting any efforts by GM to have workers share in health care premiums.

There also were major gains in health and safety, a new child care pilot program and a revised attendance program. The union said it also won an enriched profit-sharing formula.

At the same time, workers at four plants ''idled'' by GM under the 1987 agreement are eligible for substantial benefits. They also would receive an additional 12 weeks of full supplemental unemployment and preferred hiring rights at other GM locations.

Those plants are the Fiero plant in Pontiac, Mich.,; the Leeds plant in Kansas City, Mo.; and plants in Framingham, Mass., and Lakewood, Ga. The estimated costs of the extra payments to workers at these plants is $340 million over the life of the new agreement.

A summary of the contract indicates that the ban on plant closings in the 1987-90 agreement has been lifted, which may allow GM to close additional plants if they are under-used. The four GM plants currently on indefinitely idled status apparently will be permanently closed.

''It appears as if this gives GM the opportunity to close those plants, but the ban in 1987 didn't work anyway,'' said Frank Hammer, of UAW Local 909 at GM's Hydramatic plant in Warren, Mich., and chairman of the bargaining committee.

Hammer said the initial readings of the contract shows that GM may have just ''expanded all the safety nets,'' which simply makes it more costly for GM to pay unemployment benefits to laid-off workers.

''But the real issue is can you stop plant closings,'' Hammer said.

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#90261u1268 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - The timetable for a meeting on the budget impasse has been pushed back two hours in Washington. Five top congressional leaders are plannning to meet with three top Bush administration officials in an effort to get something that works. Fiscal year 1991 starts on October 1st, and mandatory cutbacks will be automatically set in place unless a voluntary accord is reached.

News reports say a state grand jury in Los Angeles has issued sealed indictments against Phoenix developer Charles Keating Junior and three others in the one of the nation's costliest thrift failures. The indictments would be the first criminal charges brought in connection with Lincoln Saving and Loan. The collapse 17 months ago is expected to cost taxpayers more than two-BILLION dollars.

Gasoline, fuel oil and overall energy price hikes in August were the biggest since January. The government says the surge last month led to a sharp eight-tenths of one percent leap in consumer prices- double the July rate of inflation. The Labor Department says the increase in petroleum-based energy prices resulting from the Persian Gulf crisis accounted for more than two-fifths of the overall increase in the Consumer Price Index.

An economist says foreign trade had been expected to be the cushion for the United States in a recession, with exports holding up and non- oil imports declining. But, Allen Sinai of the Boston Company says the July figures show just the opposite. The Commerce Department says America's trade deficit soared an alarming 75 percent, to nine-BILLION 330-Million dollars in July... the worst showing since January.

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#90261u1288 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA (SEPT. 18) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and calves 1,600; trading on slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, classes 50 higher, instances 75-1.00 higher than Monday; slaughter cows near steady with Monday and very lightly tested; steers choice 2-4 1075-1375 lb 76.50-78.00, near 7 loads 78.25-78.60, select and choice 2-3 1050-1250 lb 75.50-77.00, select 2-3 73.50-75.50; heifers choice 2-4 950-1200 lb 76.50-78.00, load and package 78.50, select and choice 2-3 950-1150 lb 75.00-76.50, select 2-3 72.50-75.00; cows breaking few 54.00-55.00, boning few 54.00-56.00, canner and low cutter few 50.00-54.00.

Hogs 1,300; butchers 50 higher; No 1-3 220-260 lb 56.50-57.00, 55 head 245 lb 57.25, No 2-3 260-280 lb 55.50-56.00; sows 1.00-2.00 higher, over 400 lb fully 2.00 higher; No 1-3 350-500 lb 46.00-48.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 50.00-51.00.

Sheep 100; steady; shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-135 lb No 1-2 pelts 50.00-51.00, 110-120 lb 47.00-50.00, wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-135 lb 48.00-49.00, 110-120 lb 45.00-48.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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#90261u1328 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (SEPT. 18) UPI - Stock prices closed sharply lower in moderate trading Tuesday on the London International Stock Exchange amid growing worries over surging oil prices.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which slipped 0.5 points Monday fell 30.3 points to 2,064.0. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 29.3 points to 1,576.8.

Volume amounted to around 379 million shares compared with only 287 million shares changing hands Monday.

Analysts said the increasing price of crude oil on global markets sent prices lower amid worries over the impact higher fuel costs would have on inflation.

The market downturn reflected fears of dreaded stagflation, the combination of inflation and recession, stalking the British economy, analysts added.

Market worries are based on U.S. trade deficit figures for August, showing a jump to $9.3 billion in July, along with the highest crude oil prices since 1982.

Brent crude for November delivery surged to $33.70 a barrel in London, its highest level since November, 1982, although prices reached $35 a barrel that same year.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Kingfisher proved an exception to the rule. The retailing conglomerate, benefiting from favorable interim profit returns, gained 30 cents to $5.83.

British Aerospace continued to fall, dropping 18 cents to $9.77 despite the company denying rumors that it stood to lose out on expected contracts to furnish Saudi Arabia with advanced Tornado jet fighters.

In a strong oil patch, oil companies continued to benefit from surging oil prices. British Petroleum gained 7 cents to $6.64, Shell added 4 cents to $8.80 and Enterprise Oil gained 20 cents to $11.86.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange fell sharply in light trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which lost 12.92 points Monday, lost 33.88 points to 1,507.27.

Analysts said stock prices responded to the escalation in world oil prices.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Sep. 18:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	61	16
Amsterdam	1pm	-	-
Ankara c	3pm	67	19
Athens c	2pm	78	25
Auckland c	12a	49	09
Beijing c	8pm	67	19
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	56	13
Bonn pc	1pm	57	14
Brussels cy	1pm	59	15
Cairo c	2pm	84	29
Casablanca cy	12n	75	24
Copenhagen pc	1pm	59	15
Dakar cy	12n	87	30
Dublin r	1pm	61	16
Geneva c	1pm	67	19
Helsinki cy	2pm	54	12
Hong Kong pc	8pm	82	28
Jerusalem c	2pm	76	25
Karachi cy	5pm	86	30
Lisbon c	1pm	80	26
London cy	1pm	63	17
Madrid c	1pm	77	25
Malta c	1pm	82	28
Manila pc	8pm	84	29
Moscow r	3pm	50	10
Nairobi cy	3pm	82	28
Nassau pc	7am	79	26
New Delhi cy	6pm	87	31
Nice c	1pm	77	25
Oslo pc	1pm	56	13

Paris c	1pm	65	18
Pretoria c	2pm	76	25
Riyadh	3pm	104	40
Rome pc	1pm	77	25
Seoul c	9pm	63	17
Sofia pc	2pm	69	21
Stockholm pc	1pm	56	14
Sydney c	10pm	55	13
Taipei c	8pm	71	22
Tokyo c	9pm	80	27
Tunis pc	1pm	88	31
Vienna r	1pm	55	13
Warsaw cy	1pm	53	12

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	-	-
Caracas	8am	-	-
Havana c	7am	76	24
Lima cy	7am	60	15
Mexico City hz	6am	56	14
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	73	23
Santiago cy	8am	40	05

Canada

Calgary c	62	16
Edmonton c	61	16
Montreal pc	52	11
Ottawa c	52	11
Regina c	74	23
Toronto c	59	15
Vancouver c	68	19
Winnipeg cy	68	20

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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ORLANDO, Fla. (SEPT. 18) UPI - The average price of a gallon of regular gasoline nationwide ebbed slightly in the past week, dropping two-tenths of

one cent to $1.292, the American Automobile Association said Tuesday.

Nevertheless, U.S. consumers are still paying an average 21.7 cents a gallon more for self-service regular gasoline today than on Aug. 1, the day before Iraq invaded Kuwait and triggered the worldwide run-up in oil, the AAA said.

The AAA said gasoline prices dipped slightly over the past week in the Midwest Southeast and West. Prices in New England and the Mid- Atlantic and Great Lakes regions rose slightly, the AAA said. Prices in the Southwest were unchanged.

The average price of mid-grade gasoline nationwide stood at $1.365 a gallon this week, while the cost of premium gasoline was $1.461, the association said.

Gasoline supplies remain adequate throughout the nation, the AAA said.

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WARSAW, POLAND (SEPT. 18) UPI - Poland's Roman Catholic primate Tuesday invited political leaders to a meeting to resolve calls for sweeping economic and political reform that have split Prime Minister Tadesz Mazowiecki and Solidarity founder Lech Walesa.

The meeting at the residence of Cardinal Jozef Glemp came a day after Walesa officially announced his decision to run for president.

Glemp hosted a lunch for Walesa, Mazowiecki, communist President Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, Senate chairman Andrzej Stelmachowski and Mikolaj Kozakiewicz, chairman of the lower house of Parliament or Sejm.

''I expect talks to be frank,'' said Mazowiecki.

Walesa got an enthusiatic welcome by several dozen people when his car drove into Glemp's residence. The crowd whistled when Jaruzelski arrived.

Walesa told the reporters he would not urge Jaruzelski to step down but said ''The situation is different now (than last year) and we have to update it.''

The church-sponsored meeting was dubbed a mini round-table - a reference to an historic dialogue between communists and Solidarity held last year which produced the accord that allowed Solidarity to participate in parliamentary elections.

The union swept the elections, formed a governemnt with Mazowiecki as premier and struck a deal with the weakened Communist Party to let Jaruzelski remain as president.

A source close to the church said Tuesday's meeting would focus on whether presidential elections set for next year should be moved forward to this fall ahead of parliamentary elections.

Walesa has been pushing for early presidential elections, while Mazowiecki favors keeping the election as scheduled.

Mazowiecki's political standing has been weakened by a year of economic austerity measures which has impoverished workers while various communist officials were allowed to run high profit businesses.

Aleksander Jedraszczyk, Poland's leading economist and the expert of the Union of Real Policy, the party which advocates quick reinstallment of capitalism in Poland, handed a gloomy report to Glemp before the meeting on the economic performence of Mazowiecki's government.

The report said hyperinflation was stopped but inflation has run at an annual rate of 200 percent since January.

''Wages dropped by 40 percent and decrease of the income of farmers was even bigger,'' it said.''The living standards lowered by 30 percent.''

It said about 1 million people were jobless and a national income is smaller by 20 percent as compared to the last year.

The report strongly criticized slowing Polish exports to the Soviet Union and predicted a disaster if it continues.

''The slowing down of exports resulted in the reduction of the deliveries of Soviet gas and oil to Poland,'' it said.

''The review of the economic statistics shows that we are facing a case of one of the biggest economic collapses in the contemporary history,'' said Jedraszczyk.

Walesa has criticzed Mazowiecki for dragging his feet on political reforms and eradicating the remnants of communism.

He has also frequently lashed at Jaruzelski for being inefficient as president. Jaruzelski earlier said he would resign if the Parliament requested him to do so.

Following the two-hour lunch Tuesday about 18 represenatives of major political parties such as Democratic, Peasent or Christrian Democratic parties joined the meeting at Glemp's residence.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - The state of Massachussetts and activists asked a federal appeals court Tuesday to rule the Nuclear Regulatory Commission violated its own regulations when it licensed the Seabrook nuclear power plant to begin operations.

Opponents contend the New Hampshire plant, located on the Massachussetts border, was granted a full-power license in March despite inadequate evacuation plans, especially during the summer when beaches within 2 miles of the plant often are packed with vacationers.

The NRC's evacuation plans are supposed to ensure all people living within 10 miles of a plant can escape to safety in the event of a nuclear accident releasing radiation.

But attorneys for the NRC and the plant operator argued during the hour-long hearing Tuesday before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia that there are no regulations that can be cited, which would have legally barred licensing.

In its brief to the court, opponents contend Seabrook was licensed ''on the basis of an emergency response plan when there was no showing that the plan, if implemented, would provide any meaningful public protection whatsoever.''

Massachussetts Assistant Attorney General John Traficonte said the NRC's own 1980 emergency planning regulations and congressional intent, while vague, require ''adequate protective measures'' before licensing a nuclear power plant, a standard he claimed was never met.

The NRC approved ''an eviscerated application of its own safeguards,'' said Traficonte.

But NRC attorney John Cordes said adequate and reasonable protection has been safeguarded around Seabrook and said evacuation time is ''not out of line'' with other nuclear power plants across the country, despite contentions that evacuation on a crowded summer day could take up to 8 1/2 hours.

Critics charge local roads are incapable of handling the crush of traffic that would result in an emergency situation.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency initially agreed with the critics, but under pressure from the NRC eventually reversed its position. Subsequently, an NRC licensing board also found evacuation plans flawed, but the full agency overruled its board.

A decision by the three-member appeals panel is not expected for about two months.

Tom Dignan, a spokesman for New Hampshire Yankee, operator of Seabrook, said the plant is ''very, very unlikely'' to suffer an accident causing a significant radioactive release with less than 20 hours public notice.

''It's impossible to protect the public absolutely,'' in fast- breaking accidents at Seabrook or any nuclear power plant, acknowledged Cordes.

Dignan called that a risk society has accepted in return for nuclear power.

Seabrook first produced electricity for the New England power grid on May 29 during tests.

The $6.6 billion plant has been in permanent full-power operation since August. At full power, Seabrook produces 1,150 megawatts of power, enough to supply 1 million homes.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - Defiant Kuwaiti athletes hoisted their national flag at the Asian Games in Beijing Tuesday despite Baghdad's orders to compete as Iraqis, while the reported resignation of a senior aide to Saddam Hussein sparked speculation of a split within the Iraqi leadership over the Persian Gulf crisis.

Cairo Radio reported Iraqi troops with tanks had set up new camps near a number of foreign diplomatic premises in Iraq-occupied Kuwait, including the U.S. Embassy, which is among a handful of countries refusing to shut down its diplomatic representation.

In another show of Western unity, the French Navy announced the United States, Australia, France, Britain, the Netherlands and Italy have agreed to divide the Persian Gulf region into separate areas of patrol to better enforce the U.N. trade embargo against Iraq.

An Iraqi newspaper reported Tuesday that senior Iraqi Revolution Command Council member Saadoun Shaker, 51, a childhood friend of Saddam Hussein and a former interior minister, resigned his post ''for health reasons at his own request.''

The government-run daily Al Waqaie al Iraqia (Iraqi facts) gave no other details, but one Western diplomat said he was forced out for opposing the Iraqi leader's policy on Kuwait. The resignation was the first from the ranks of Saddam's senior aides since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

It also came a day after Defense Secretary Dick Cheney fired Air Force Chief of Staff Michael Dugan for "poor judgment" in publicly discussing U.S. bombing plans. Dugan said in an interview the plans specifically targetted Saddam.

In Cairo, an Egyptian Foreign Ministry source familiar with Iraqi politics said there were also divisions over policy toward Kuwait among Saddam's other key aides including Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, son-in-law Hussein Kamel and Taha Yassin Ramadan, deputy premier and head of the powerful militia of the ruling Baathist Party and Izzat Ibrahim, the council's deputy chairman.

Saudi officials said an estimated 8,000 Kuwaitis fled across the border since Iraq opened the crossing on Saturday, while sobbing women crossing the border said Iraqis were forbidding Kuwaiti men between 17 and 45 from leaving.

In a memorandum quoted by the official Saudi Press Agency, Kuwait's exiled government complained to the Arab League that Iraqi authorities decided a week ago to tighten their grip on Kuwaitis ''through inhuman ill-treatment and more repressive measures,'' with the aim of driving them from their homeland.

The Kuwaiti memorandum said Iraqis arrested a large number of Kuwaitis for refusing to cooperate with them, subjecting them to torture and ''all sorts of humiliation." It said Iraq had also carried out "barbaric" public executions.

It cited the example of a man who was shot dead for refusing to switch a portrait of the toppled Kuwaiti emir in his shop with a picture of Saddam.

In addition, the memorandum said all those leaving Kuwait were being asked to surrender all their official documents.

''This seems to be aimed at obliterating the Kuwaiti identity and resettling Iraqi families or families of pro-Iraqi nationalities in the Kuwaiti homes,'' it said.

The exodus of Kuwaitis slowed as Saudi officials made painstaking identity checks to screen out Iraqi infiltrators.

The French Navy said agreement among Western nations to divide into spheres of influence the Gulf of Oman, the Strait of Hormuz and the western Gulf waters was hammered out at a meeting of officers from the four West European countries aboard the French frigate Dupleix in the Strait of Hormuz Friday.

A separate meeting of U.S. and Australian naval commanders reserved other sectors of the region for their vessels, the statement said.

The announcement precedes a meeting later Tuesday of foreign and defense ministers of the nine-member Western European Union in Paris to discuss further coordination of European defense forces in the gulf region.

France had been pressing for such a formal agreement for some time because of considerable duplication of efforts by different navies checking on ships that might be trying to break the embargo. Sometimes the same cargo ship would be

questioned as many as 15 times, French defense ministry sources said.

As the Western nations demonstrated more signs of unity against Iraq, defiant Kuwaiti athletes raised their national flag at the Asian Games village in Beijing despite Iraqi demands that they compete under the Iraqi flag.

Kuwait entered 43 athletes in the Asian Games, remnants of a delegation that originally numbered about 330.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - MCI Communications Corp. said Tuesday it will provide free long-distance telephone service to U.S. military personnel serving in Saudi Arabia in the event of a family emergency.

Working with the Red Cross, MCI said it will provide the service to ''all 50 states, 24-hours a day, seven days a week on an indefinite basis'' in the event of a birth, a death or family illness.

''By donating free long-distance service, MCI is offering a crucial link to connect families and friends of U.S. military personnel in emergency situations,'' MCI President Bert Roberts said.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - Lincoln Savings and Loan executive Charles Keating was arraigned in Los Angeles today on charges of defrauding investors who bought his now- worthless junk bonds. Keating and three other Lincoln executives were named in a 42-count grand jury indictment unsealed today. Lincoln S-and- L collapsed 17 months ago in the nation's worst thrift scandal.

In South Africa, the attorney general announced today that the wife of black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela will have to stand trial in the 1988 abduction and murder of a 14-year-old boy by her chief bodyguard. The 56-year-old Winnie Mandela faces four counts of assault and kidnapping. NO trial date was immediately set. .

African National Congress leaders met in Johannesburg today to decide how to respond to the government's crackdown on violence between the A- N-C and the rival Inkatha movement. A spokesman threatened to break off peace talks with Pretoria... but A-N-C leader Nelson Mandela soft-pedalled that idea yesterday.

NASA technicians are trying to find the source of elusive hydrogen leaks that have repeatedly grounded the space shuttle Columbia. The latest leak forced the beleaguered space agency to postpone Columbia's astronomy mission a frustrating fourth time, just six hours before the scheduled launch early

today.

The United Auto Workers union says it basically got what it wanted in the tentative agreement reached yesterday with General Motors Corporation. U-A-W officials say they achieved priority goals of protecting workers' jobs and incomes against sales-related layoffs. They say they also won improvements to restrict out-sourcing.

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DENVER (SEPT. 18) UPI - President Bush signed legislation Tuesday that will enable American military personnel in the Persian Gulf to send mail home without cost.

The bill, the first to be signed by Bush aboard his new Boeing 747 Air Force One, expands conditions in existing law for U.S. troops to enjoy free mail privileges.

The legislation amends the law to grant that benefit to personnel ''engaged in temporary military operations under arduous circumstances.''

Previous law authorized free mail only for those engaged in combat or military operations against a hostile foreign force.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - America's trade deficit soared an alarming 75 percent to $9.33 billion in July in the worst showing since January, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

''Trade had been expected to be the cushion for the United States in a recession with exports holding up and non-oil imports declining,'' Boston Co. economist Allen Sinai said. ''The July figures showed just the opposite.''

''This ... hints at a bigger recession than expected,'' Sinai said, warning ''the trade deficit can't get any better'' with the Middle East crisis pushing oil prices higher.

Added Norman Robertson, chief economist at Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh: ''If our exports should falter that would have a very damaging effect on what is already a dim economic outlook.''

Private analysts had expected a deficit of roughly $7.3 billion after a revised shortfall of $5.34 billion in June. In May, the nation's trade deficit stood at $7.77 billion.

Exports, which had provided much of the strength, fell to $32.03 billion in July from a revised $34.22 billion in June, while imports increased to $41.36 billion from a revised $39.56 billion, the department's Census Bureau said.

The totals were adjusted for seasonal factors, and the overall July deficit was the widest since nearly $10.2 billion in January.

Cynthia Latta, an economist at DRI/McGraw Hill in Lexington, Mass., said, ''It looks to me that we had some months that were extraordinarily low. Overall, the deficit is still running a little less than last year.''

Robert Dederick, chief at Northern Trust in Chicago, suggested a slowdown in the Canadian and British economies may have contributed to the drop in July exports, and predicted ''a gradual ebbing of the trade deficit.''

But release of the trade report coincided with August data showing a 0.9 percent leap in consumer prices.

''If you were going to write a novel and make it a horror story, this is basically the script you would write,'' Norman Mains, chief economist at Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards, said on the Financial News Network.

''You've got a worsening trade deficit, you've got high inflation, you've got (higher) oil prices, (and) you've got stock prices down around the world,'' Mains said.

A government spokesman noted that exports of commercial aircraft - which have been a driving force in the industrial sector in recent months - were off an estimated $500 million in July.

Imports of petroleum products, before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent global oil shock, advanced to $4.04 billion in July from $3.76 billion in June, not adjusted for seasonal factors.

The Commerce Department also said ''the June to July change in imports reflected increases in consumer goods, capital goods, industrial supplies and materials, and automotive vehicles, parts and engines.''

''Foods, feeds and beverages, and other merchandise were virtually unchanged '' it added.

''The June to July change in exports reflected decreases in capital goods, foods, feeds and beverages, automotive vehicles, parts and engines, industrial supplies and materials, and consumer goods,'' the department said.

The July trade deficit with Japan fell to $2.97 billion from $3.07 billion in June, while the deficit with the Organization of Petroleum Countries increased to $1.55 billion from $1.18 billion, not adjusted for sesaonal factors.

Looking ahead, analysts at Mitsubishi Bank in New York said, ''Oil will be a problem in August'' as a result of the Iraq crisis.

''We figure that higher August imported crude oil prices will cause the monthly trade deficit to balloon by $2 billion in August,'' the analysts predicted in a newsletter to investors.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - Japan today dropped the phrase ''Soviet threat'' from its Defense Agency's assessment of Soviet forces in Asia. Tokyo has lagged in improving relations with the Soviets... in part because of a dispute over islands north of Japan. The Defense Agency reportedly wanted to keep the phrase to help avoid budget cuts.

Los Angeles authorities say a bomb threat forced a Dallas-bound Delta Airlines flight to return to Los Angeles International Airport early today. Officials say the bomb threat was written on a bathroom mirror. The Boeing 727 landed safely, and the 101 passengers aboard evacuated the plane without incident.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 18) UPI - The 11th tropical depression of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season formed Tuesday in the mid-Atlantic Ocean, and forecasters predicted it could develop into a tropical storm by the end of the day.

At noon EDT, the depression was centered near latitude 15.8 north, longitude 46.7, or about 950 miles east of the Windward Islands, the National Hurricane Center said.

The depression was moving west at about 14 mph, and was expected to continue that direction for the next day or two. Maximum sustained winds were near 35 mph, just 4 mph shy of tropical storm strenth.

Forecasters predicted the system could strengthen into the season's 10th tropical storm, which would be named Josephine, by late Tuesday.

Four storms - Bertha, Diana, Gustav and Isidore - have developed into hurricanes with winds of more than 74 mph so far this season. But none caused significant damage to land.

The hurricane season runs June 1 to Nov. 30.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - The Food and Drug Administration Tuesday asked all makers of toothpastes and mouthwashes to submit scientific proof to back up claims that their products combat tooth-threatening plaque.

Plaque is a sticky film of food debris and other material that builds up on teeth, promoting the bacteria growth. Studies show plaque is directly linked to development of cavities and to gingivitis, a painful inflammation of the gums that can lead to tooth loss.

Toothpastes contain abrasives that manufacturers contend can scrape away plaque, while mouthwash manufacturers claim their products thwart plaque through microbe-fighting or chemical activity.

Under federal law, statements that dental products can fight plaque and gum disease constitute drug claims because they deal with the treatment or prevention of disease and because they affect the structure or function of the body. Therefore, the safety and effectiveness of such products must be demonstrated, the FDA said.

More than two years ago, the FDA sent letters to several toothpaste and mouthwash manufacturers, including the producers of Listerine, Plax and Viadent, threatening regulatory action unless they proved their claims that the products could help reduce plaque. FDA spokeswoman Bonnie Aikman said the agency is still working with those manufacturers to settle the problem, and they might still be subject to regulatory action.

Although the FDA considered dental products in 1982 during its ongoing review of over-the-counter drugs, the agency said a recent upsurge in products purported to fight plaque spurred the decision to allow companies to present more data to back up their claims.

Supporting data must be submitted within six months. Failure to produce such proof could lead to the FDA requiring the manufacturer to drop the claims.

Phillip Weintraub, a spokesman for the American Dental Association in Chicago, said his group welcomes the FDA's latest step, saying it should create ''a level playing field'' for a group of products that many consumers now find confusing.

The dental group has given its seals of approval to three anti-plaque products - Listerine, Peridex, and Vi-John Pharmaceuticals' generic dental rinse. However, other similar products submitted to the ADA have not met its standards for effectiveness and-or marketing claims, said Weintraub, who would not name the products.

In July 1989, Consumer Reports Magazine said its dental consultants consider floss the single most important weapon against plaque, perhaps more important

than the toothbrush. The magazine said its study also found claims made by some dental products that they can fight plaque are misleading and even deceptive.

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MUNICH, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 18) UPI - France will withdraw half of its 51,000 troops stationed in West Germany after Oct. 3 unification, French President Francois Mitterrand and West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Tuesday.

In a joint statement issued after a two-day summit in the southern West German town of Munich, the two leaders said the withdrawal will be ''a first phase,'' but did not specify whether further French troops will be pulled back later.

Officials close to the talks said the troops would leave Germany within the next two years.

''The French government informed the German government in this context of its intention to reduce the French armed forces in Germany by half in a first phase, which excludes the German-French brigade and the French armed forces in Berlin,'' the statement said.

The 4,000-strong Franco-German brigade was established in 1988 in West Germany as a kernel of a future European army.

As one of the four victorious World War II allies, France had about 51,000 troops permanently stationed in the western part of West Germany since the creation of the country in 1949.

''The Federal Republic of Germany thanks France for its solidarity for the security of its liberty in the last 40 years particularly through the stationing of armed forces,'' the statement said.

Horst Teltschik, a senior aide to Kohl, said the troop reduction is ''no sensational undertaking'' and complies with overall cuts in conventional forces in Europe.

In the statement, Kohl and Mitterand emphasized the close relations between France and Germany, saying the two countries are setting ''a unique example for friendly and trusting relations between two neighboring states and people.''

They said Bonn and Paris will continue to be the driving force behind European integration and ''the engine of the European unity undertaking.''

The 12 governments of the European Community are due to start negotiations on economic and monetary union in three months time, in advance of the planned

creation of a single European market in 1992.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - New York Post owner Peter Kalikow Tuesday hailed union workers for voting for tough wage cuts that he said would save the nation's oldest continuously published daily newspaper.

''YES!'' proclaimed the Post's front page in letters four inches high.

Employees filing into the building alongside a sun-drenched East River gave each other thumbs up signs and readied champagne bottles as they exchanged greetings of ''we're still here.''

The 350 members of the paper's Newspaper Guild, including reporters, editors, photographers and advertising employees, voted Monday night to accept management's demands for a four-day work week, and 40 layoffs, effectively imposing a 20 percent pay cut on themselves and saving the paper $5 million annually.

''After two weeks of negotiations with the unions this brings all the unions into line with what we feel we need to save the paper,'' Kalilkow said.

He credited employees' commitment to the newspaper, along with support from union leadership and state and city labor department representatives who worked to keep the 189-year-old paper afloat following days of touch-and-go negotiations and predictions of its demise.

He also praised Cardinal John O'Connor for his last-minute plea to union members to save the paper for ''its real owners, the people it serves.''

''On Friday, when this deal was in five million pieces, like Humpty Dumpty, they put it back together,'' Kalikow said. ''It shows what can be accomplished when government, labor and management want to get together.''

He also expressed regret over the people who lost jobs and salaries ''when mortgage prices and food prices didn't go down.''

Guild President Barry Lipton said Kalikow's last-minute offer to grant severance pay to all Guild members wishing to leave the newspaper was a ''very important'' factor in the 242-45 vote.

Other union officials said it was Kalikow's commitment to New York that created the trust necessary to the negotiations, and faulted the Chicago owners of the New York Daily News for refusing to talk with unions working without a contract for the past six months.

''This is a New York newspaper. These are New York unions. It's a triumph of New York,'' said Theodore Kheel, an adviser to the unions.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - Child care advocates said Tuesday they are tired of excuses about why a bill to help families meet child care costs can't get passed, including the latest one that its fate is tied to current budget talks.

''I don't buy any excuses,'' said Marian Wright Edelman, president of the Children's Defense Fund. ''There is no excuse for not completing it now and sending it to the White House. No excuse - not Iran, not Iraq, not the budget.''

The House and Senate have passed child care bills, but a conference committee to work out differences on how to fund the multibillion-dollar measure has not met. Conferees have no plans to meet until they get instructions from the budget negotiators on what to do.

''The latest is that there seems to be bipartisan agreement to kick child care out of the budget deal and have the bill make its own way into the world,'' said Jim Jaffe, press secretary for the House Ways and Means Committee.

Another alternative is to have child care financing included in the budget deal as a ''sweetener'' to offset the pain of other domestic program cuts, Jaffe said. A possibility being discussed is to pay for child care legislation with the approximately $2 billion raised by extending the long-distance telephone tax.

At a demonstration on the steps of the Capitol, advocates of the legislation chanted, ''Child care now.'' If the bill does not become law in this session of Congress, they vowed to hold it against certain members at the polls.

''Most certainly, if it doesn't pass, it will be a major election issue and those who didn't help will be hurt,'' said Gerald McEntee, president of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees union.

The demonstration was highlighted by a paper chain link stretching from the Capitol to the White House. The 200,000 links were made by children in day care centers across the country. Holding the chain link were children attending Washington-area child care centers and advocates of the legislation.

''The bill would only cost one stealth bomber,'' said Sheldon Sargent, 17, a senior at Archbishop Carroll High School in Washington who participated as part of a volunteer school project.

''Instead of having one machine piloted by one person that would kill

thousands, it is much better to have one program piloted by many that would save millions of children.''

Another senior at the Catholic school, Mark Adams, 18, said he wanted to come to the Capitol because he knows of many single mothers who have difficulty finding affordable child care.

''As a man, it's our duty also to help children and single mothers. It's good to help,'' Adams said.

Four-year-old Jeremy Catlett was asked why he goes to Capital East Children's Center every day while his mother works.

''I want to be lucky,'' he responded.

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BONN, West Germany (SEPT. 18) UPI - West German authorities Tuesday initiated preliminary preceedings against a former leading East German Communist official who allegedly assisted members of the extremist Red Army Faction, the West German attorney general said.

Attorney General Alexander von Stahl said the former head of East Germany's now-disbanded State Security police, Erich Mielke, his assistant Gerhard Neiber and ''persons unknown'' would be charged with support of the RAF after German unification.

Under West German legislation, which will remain in force after Oct. 3 unification, it is illegal to support the left-wing movement, which in the past years has claimed responsibility for a series of killings, kidnappings and bomb attacks.

Von Stahl said a document recently obtained by West German police shows the Stasi supported active RAF members in 1987 and 1988, helping them make contact with officials of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

He said the document also shows Mielke and Neiber had helped RAF fugitives settle in East Germany.

Von Stahl said the evidence was contained in a 200-volume ''Operations Reports'' of the Stasi, which was turned over to the West German authorities earlier this month.

Mielke, 82, was arrested in East Germany in July after former RAF members told the authorities he had helped them hide in East Germany. Neiber has not been arrested.

Meanwhile, East German Social Democratic Party Chairman Wolfgang Thierse said Tuesday thousands of files concerning former Stasi employees and collaborators ''disappeared'' in recent months.

Several current Cabinet ministers and parliamentarians have been accused of having worked as Stasi agents in the past, leading to bitter disputes.

Werner Fischer, formerly in charge of the dissolution of the Stasi, publicly accused East German Environment Minister Karl-Hermann Steinberg of having worked for the Stasi.

But he rejected reports that he named any other ministers and said accusations that Defense Minister Rainer Eppelmann had been a Stasi informant were ''absurd.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Two teens accused of attacking a woman jogger in Central Park made an unsuccessful bid for separate trials Tuesday, arguing that one acknowledges sexual violence took place while the other defendant says there was no rape.

In his efforts to prove there was no rape, Kharey Wise's lawyer, Colin Moore, said he will question the woman jogger about her sex life.

''I intend to show she was sexually active with at least two lovers,'' Moore said after the pre-trial hearing in the rape and attempted murder case at state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

The move could backfire with a jury sympathetic to the jogger, and co-defendant Kevin Richardson, 15, made a last-ditch effort to distance himself from Wise, 18, by asking for a separate trial.

Just weeks before jury selection is to begin Oct. 11, Richardson's lawyer, Howard Diller, claimed there are ''antagonistic defenses.''

''Colin Moore will argue there was no rape. Kevin Richardson is not taking that tack,'' Diller said. ''It would appear that by virtue of these two positions, these two cases can not co-exist. There either was or wasn't a rape.''

Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer disagreed.

''Simply because one defendant claims a rape did not occur and the other claims he didn't participate in a rape, I don't believe that is antagonistic '' Lederer said.

Justice Thomas Galligan refused to sever the trials.

The trial is to be the second stemming from the ''wilding'' attack in Central Park on April 19, 1989, and would mark the second time the 30- year-old investment banker takes the witness stand.

Moore said he would call the woman as a witness if the prosecution does not.

The first trial ended in August with convictions for rape and assault against Antron McCray, Yusef Salaam and Raymond Santana, all 16. Each has been sentenced to the maximum penalty for a juvenile: five to 10 years behind bars.

A sixth teen, Steven Lopez, 16, is to be tried next year.

Wise faces the most serious penalty because he was the only one over 15 at the time of the attack. If convicted of all the charges against him, he faces a maximum term of 19 to 57 years behind bars.

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VALLEY FORGE, Pa. (SEPT. 18) UPI - Activists turned out in force Tuesday to protest a new federal policy that would deregulate low-level radioactive material, possibly leading to its use in consumer products or disposal in ordinary landfills.

The ''below regulatory concern'' policy of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission would remove controls from waste and other materials with low levels of radiation.

''I think you are getting a message here ... the American people are telling you forget BRC,'' Michael Mariott of the Nuclear Information and Resource Service told NRC staff members at a hearing.

Members of the environmental group Greenpeace staged a ''die-in'' and other activists carried signs reading ''BRC is murder'' at the second of five hearings nationwide on the policy.

The BRC policy does not itself allow any new dumping or reuse of radioactive materials but allows the federal agency to grant exemptions for some materials from regulatory controls.

The policy applies to the cleanup of contaminated sites, sale of consumer products with small amounts of radioactive materials, disposal of low-level waste and the recycling or reuse of slightly contaminated equipment and materials.

Several proposals in Congress would rescind the policy.

''We are convinced that the public will be better protected overall with this policy because it enables people using and regulating radioactive materials to concentrate on more significant risks,'' said Dr. Malcolm Knapp, regional director of radiation safety for the NRC.

But some opponents see the policy as an attempt by the NRC to cut disposal costs for the nuclear industry. Some observers estimate the policy would allow for the unregulated disposal of up to 30 percent of the low-level radioactive waste now generated.

''BRC is an admission of the failure of nuclear power,'' said Jeff Schmidt, president of the Pennsylvania Sierra Club.

''The BRC policy increases the risk of death and pain,'' said Andrew Altman of Greenpeace. ''How can we risk death in order to help a dinosaur industry reap profits?''

The NRC has estimated that under the new policy, enough radiation could be added to the environment to add 285 cancer deaths in the country each year.

The policy could also generate conflicts between federal policy and states with more stringent rules for disposal of radioactive materials, including New York and Pennsylvania.

''I'm very deeply concerned at the prospect that the legal enforcement agents of Pennsylvania might have a showdown with the NRC,'' said Dr. Judith Jonsrud, a member of the state Advisory Committee on Low-Level Radioactive Waste.

Eugene Gleason, deputy commissioner of the New York State Energy Office, also questioned the permissible exposure levels in the BRC policy.

''We believe that states should have the ability to impose more stringent requirements and set lower limits for public health protection,'' said Gleason.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 18) UPI - The decision by the International Olympic Committee to award the 1996 Summer Olympics to Atlanta will pump billions of dollars into the economy, observers said Tuesday.

Atlanta was chosen Tuesday over five other cities - Athens, Greece; Toronto; Melbourne, Australia; Belgrade, Yugoslavia, and Manchester, England - that had made one-hour presentations at the 96th IOC session in Tokyo hoping to win support.

The 16-day event will produce a combined economic impact of $3.48 billion, the

equivalent of 100 Democratic National Conventions or 50 Super Bowls, according to the Atlanta Organizing Committee. Atlanta will also host the 1994 Super Bowl.

More than 84,000 new jobs are expected to result from the Olympics, including about 21,500 construction jobs and 38,800 service jobs in lodging, concessions and transportation.

By comparison, the largest private employer in Georgia is Delta Air Lines with 23,000 full-time employees. BellSouth Corp. is second with 21,500 full-time workers.

Ratajczak warned Atlanta must not be mesmerized by the ''inflated'' economic impact numbers and be coaxed into paying for large cost- overruns on projects needed to host the Olympics.

By winning the Games, Atlanta organizers now have the task of keeping costs in line with revenues.

The 1996 Games are expected to bring to Georgia a total of $1.16 billion in revenues, including $549 million in television rights and $324 million in corporte sponsorships and merchandising.

The AOC estimates that it will cost the community $1.01 billion to host the Olympics, including $587 million in organizing and operating costs and $418.4 million to build facilities such as the $145.2 million Olympic Stadium.

Under current estimates, Atlanta will have a surplus of $157.1 million after the Games, but that surplus will be shared with the international and U.S. Olympic organizing committees.

Atlanta will face an even greater problem finding money to start construction on major projects in the early years.

But if the costs of hosting the Games exceed the revenues or if substantial bridge financing is needed, then the state and local governments probably will have to step in to help finance the Games, at least temporarily.

The direct economic impact of the 1996 Games is estimated to be $1.56 billion. Once these dollars are filtered into the economy - spend and respent - the total impact would reach $3.48 billion in 1989 dollars. With inflation, the 1996 economic impact likely will top $4 billion.

Also, the city would gain $500 million worth of new structures from the Games - technically, at least, at no cost to the city. These include an open-air stadium, the intended new home of the Atlanta Braves; an aquatic center at Georgia Tech and a twin-tower dorm at Tech that also would house students from Georgia State University and the Atlanta University Center.

The decision apparently means the Braves, the city's National League baseball team, will move into the Olympic Stadium, which would be built near the aging Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium. The new facility would be designed to seat 85,000 for the Games but could then be converted to a horseshoe-shaped 55,000-seat arena for baseball.

The Braves had been considering a move to the Atlanta suburbs if the city did not win its bid for the 1996 Olympics.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - This fall's crop of new public school teachers is going into their classrooms with a high idealism toward children's ability to learn, but with pessimism about teaching problem kids, a survey reported Tuesday.

The poll of 1,002 recent college graduates conducted by Louis Harris and Associates for Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. showed an increased desire to stick with teaching as a career.

The majority also expressed a wariness toward parents' chip-on-the- shoulder attitudes.

Ninety percent of those questioned said they viewed teaching as a long-term career, with only 8 percent saying they planned to move on to some other line of work.

The replies compared with last year's survey, in which only 74 percent said they planned to stay in teaching.

Ninety-nine percent of the beginning teachers said they believed that all children can learn and good teachers can make a difference in the lives of their students.

The majority questioned agreed with the statement that many children have trouble with the learning process ''because they come to school with so many problems.''

Forty-five percent said they agreed with the pessimistic statement, ''Even the best teachers will find it difficult to really teach more than two-thirds of their students.

Sixty percent said they believe teachers are respected in today's society, but only 7 percent said they believe it strongly.

Seventy percent said they feared too many parents treat schools and teachers

as adversaries.

Eighty percent said schools should go beyond teaching and attempt to deal with health and social problems of students.

Another 80 percent said they believed their education had prepared them to teach students from a variety ethnic backgrounds, but 58 percent said they would have liked more more practical training before going to work.

Sixty-six percent said they endorsed the idea of a nationwide, standardized test for all teachers.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Attempting to prove a kiss isn't just a kiss, Hershey Foods Corp. Tuesday set out to woo the American public with its newest confection - a chocolate drop with an almond inside.

After 83 years of showering chocolate lovers with its silver-covered chocolate kisses, the confectionery giant made a seductive departure from tradition: it put an almond inside the chocolate, wrapped the treat in gold foil, and called it Hershey's Kisses With Almonds.

The break with the past - when the kisses were just chocolate - was marked with a ceremony inspired by a famous symbol of the passing of time: the dropping of the ball at New Year's Eve in New York's Times Square.

That tradition began, Hershey said, the same year the company began making its kisses - 1907.

Instead of the ball, a 500-pound, 6-foot version of Hershey's Kisses With Almonds was lowered from the top of the 60-foot flagpole at One Times Square.

The giant kiss was made by Artkraft Strauss Sign Corp., which also built the ball which drops on New Year's Eve. The replica had an aluminum frame and was covered with gold aluminum and sequins.

And, keeping with the New Year's Eve tradition, the Kiss was lowered to the accompaniment of the watching crowd counting down to zero. MaryBeth Steiner, a spokeswoman for Hershey, said about 200 bystanders watched the 60-second-drop of the giant kiss.

''Both Hershey's Kisses and the Times Square ball have become symbols of popular American culture,'' Richard A. Zimmerman, chairman and chief executive officer of Hershey Foods Corp., said in a statement. ''The association between Hershey Foods and One Times Square is a natural.''

The new product, with a brown and white plume to distinguish it from the blue-and-white of the plain chocolate version, will be available in 6-ounce, 9-ounce, 14-ounce, and 24-ounce bags, as well as in bulk.

It was test marketed in Midland, Texas, and Pittsfield, Mass., for a year before its launch, and will be promoted by a series of English- and Spanish-language TV and print ads scheduled to debut Oct. 1, the company said.

The products are made by Hershey Chocolate USA, the largest division of the parent company, which said it is capable of making 33 million kisses a day.

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BY GAYLE YOUNG - UPI

CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 18) UPI - The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the Israeli occupation of the territories are separated by time and place and circumstances, but through them runs a common thread that many diplomats say will unravel U.S. policy in the Middle East.

The argument that the United States and United Nations are imposing a double standard in enforcing U.N. resolutions against Iraq, but not Israel, is gaining steam in the Arab world despite efforts by U.S. officials to keep the two issues separate.

"Why, tell me why, Iraq and not Israel?" Farida El-Naccash, a soft-spoken but intense leader of Egypt's opposition Progressive Unionist Party said Tuesday. ''Why is Iraq punished for violating international law and not Israel?''

She waved her hand toward an office window overlooking the teeming streets of Cairo.

''People are asking themselves this question every day,'' she said. ''Even if all are not asking it out loud, or in a way that openly challenges the United States, they are asking it in their hearts all the same.''

Since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, the United States has led intense international efforts to force Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw his forces from the tiny, oil-rich emirate -- efforts backed by a string of U.N. Security Council resolutions imposing economic sanctions against Iraq and giving warships in the Gulf permission to use force against vessels suspected of breaking the embargo.

U.S. officials, in swings through the Middle East, have argued that Saddam is a special case who deserves special measures and that the invasion is an isolated incident in the ever-shifting politics of the Middle East.

In a recent news conference in Alexandria with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker pointedly said there ''is no link'' between the Iraqi invasion and the stalled efforts to resolve the Palestinian problem in the Middle East.

Many Palestinians, bitter over the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip following the 1967 war, are not so sure.

''For Palestinains, for Arabs in general, there are similarities between the invasion of Kuwait and the taking of Arab territory by Israel,'' said one Western diplomat in Cairo who asked not to be identified.

''As much as the West and Israel are trying to keep things neat and separate, there is a growing belief that there is a double standard at work here,'' he said in an interview Tuesday.

While the United States has lobbied for the passage of U.N. resolutions against Iraq, it has used its veto powers as a permanent member of the Security Council to block a number of resolutions condemning Israeli policies in the occupied territories.

A 1947 council resolution on Palestine, however, called for the creation of separate Arab and Jewish states.

Many Arabs would like to see that resolution enforced as well as the resolution calling for the withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait.

At the conclusion Monday of a three-day conference in Amman called to condemn the U.S.-led multinational force in the Gulf, the assembly of 300 Arab intellectuals and political leaders issued a communique saying they ''oppose any selectivity and double standards in applying the United Nation's Security Council resolutions.''

Iran also charged Monday that the Security Council has acted to curb Iraqi aggression against Kuwait while turning a ''blind eye'' to atrocities commited by Saddam against Iranians during the 1980-1988 Gulf War.

Even if the United Nations does not heed the call to enforce its resolutions equally, the ''double standard'' argument will probably promote the Palestinian cause and force the United States to rethink its policy in the Middle East, observers say.

''While nothing is certain, there are good reasons to believe that these changes will further enhance the struggle of the Palestinian people to achieve freedom and independence,'' said Sari Nusseibeh, an Oxford-educated political scientist at Bir Zeit University in the West Bank.

He said the conflict will ''act as a futher catalyst ... toward achieving a

settlement for the Palestinian-Israel conflict.''

Diplomats said Naccash's query, ''Why Iraq and not Israel?'' will probably be debated in the Middle East for years to come.

''A friend asked me, why did the whole world stand against the occupation of Kuwait by Iraq, and not against the Israeli occupation of Palestine,'' Egyptian Al-Ahram newspaper columnist Ahmed Bahgat wrote in a column published Tuesday.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 18) UPI - Charles H. Keating, whose Lincoln Savings and Loan collapsed in the nation's worst thrift scandal, was jailed Tuesday on charges he defrauded investors who bought his now-worthless junk bonds.

A 42-count county grand jury indictment naming Keating and three other executives of Lincoln or its parent company, American Continental Corp., of which Keating was chairman, was unsealed Tuesday. The charges included securities fraud and making false statements to the state Corporations Department.

The indictment is the first criminal case stemming from the collapse of Irvine Calif.-based Lincoln 17 months ago. The failure is expected to cost taxpayers more than $2 billion, making it the costliest bailout yet in the massive nationwide savings and loan scandal.

Keating, a once-properous Arizona developer who now claims to be broke, appeared before Superior Court Judge Gary Klausner for arraignment. The judge delayed taking pleas from Keating and his codefendants until Oct. 5. He then ordered Keating into custody until he can post $5 million bail.

Keating's codefendants, Judy Wischer, American Continental's former president; Ray Fidel and Robin Symes, both former presidents of Lincoln, were ordered held on $1 million bail.

Keating made no comment before entering court.

The grand jury focused on the allegedly fradulent sale of nearly $200 million in American Continental Corp. bonds through Lincoln's 22 Southern California branches.

American Continental in Phoenix was the parent of Lincoln and most of its bonds were sold to Lincoln depositors and elderly investors. The bonds are now nearly worthless.

Keating and other Lincoln and American Continental officers and directors, as

well as the lawyers and accountant who advised them, also are under scrutiny in a wide-ranging federal grand jury investigation.

Also pending are a civil racketeering lawsuit filed by federal regulators against Keating and other former American Continental executives, plus a $300 million civil suit filed in June by the California Attorney General's Office against Keating and American Continental's accounting firm. Disgruntled purchasers of American Continental junk bonds, many of them who lost their life's savings, also have filed class actions against Keating.

Keating sued the government to regain control of Lincoln, seized by regulators in April 1989. Last month, a federal judge in Washington upheld the government takeover of Lincoln, saying the actions of Keating and other American Continental executives ''amounted to a looting'' of the failed thrift.

The Lincoln scandal also has tainted five senators who accepted thousands of dollars in campaign contributions from Keating and allegedly contacted federal banking regulators on Keating's behalf before Lincoln was seized.

The Senate Ethics Committee is investigating the actions taken on Keating's behalf by Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif.; Dennis DeConcini, D- Ariz.; Donald W. Riegle Jr., D-Mich.; John Glenn, D-Ohio; and John McCain, R-Ariz.

Cranston has said he never sought leniency from banking regulators for Lincoln but only asked that the investigation of Lincoln be speedily concluded.

Cranston also said that he did not know at the time he contacted regulators for Keating that Lincoln was selling the junk bonds at its 22 Southern California offices to mostly elderly customers who mistakenly believed their investments were insured by the government, which does insure deposits.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - NCR Corp. Tuesday presented a new line of computer systems based on chips manufactured by Intel Corp. - the first time a leading U.S. computer maker has selected the cheaper but competitive microprocessors for a full line of powerful units.

The new line of computers, the NCR System 3000, is designed for a very broad range of applications, from small operations to large business applications.

NCR said the new line of products will come in ''seven levels,'' with a very broad power range, from 7.5 million instructions per second, or MIPS, to 100,000 MIPS.

Leading computer manufacturers such as International Business Machines Corp. rely on their own chips or a number of suppliers.

NCR, based in Dayton, Ohio, released six models in three classes of computers, and detailed plans for the rest of the line to be introduced at a later stage.

The six models presented today have a power between 7.5 MIPS and 320 MIPS and are priced from $10,000 to $800,000. They will be available between now and the second quarter of 1991.

The six new computers include three desktop units, two microprocessors and one ''mainframe class'' multiprocessor, the NCR 3550.

The announcement gave NCR shares a small lift on the New York Stock Exchange. At midday, NCR stock was trading up 37.50 cents to $58.375.

The new product line is expected to boost revenues at NCR which reported sales of nearly $6 billion in 1989, ranking a distant No. 5 among the main U.S. computer manufacturers behind Unisys Corp., whose sales topped the $10 billion last year.

The already sluggish outlook for the U.S. computer industry has been recently further depressed by the crisis in the Middle East. Higher oil prices have triggered fears of inflation and recession, both factors which could cripple the demand for new computer systems.

Despite the prospect of increased chip orders from NCR, Intel was quoted down 37.50 cents to $32.50 in over-the-counter trading at midday.

The chip manufacturer has not recovered from negative sentiments among industry analysts, mainly a lowering of earnings forecast by analyst John Lazlo with PaineWebber Inc.

The success of NCR's new line is pegged not only to an improved market environment, but also to aggressive distribution channels and the availability of software programs.

While distribution has been a weak point for NCR compared with giants IBM or Digital Equipment Corp., the company said more than 35,000 software products were available for the NCR System 3000, and were designed to run according to the four industry standards, including UNIX and IBM's OS/2.

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BANGKOK, THAILAND (SEPT. 18) UPI - Squabbling Cambodian leaders, unable to agree on the leadership of a national council meant to return peace to Cambodia, Tuesday postponed a formal meeting of the group, Thai officials said.

Resistance leader Prince Norodom Ranariddh pulled out of preparations for the

second meeting of the so-called ''Supreme National Council'' and left Bangkok for France.

The council, which brings together leaders of all four battling Cambodian factions, is the key to a U.N. peace plan meant to end 11 years of conflict. It met in its first formal session on Monday, but failed to agree on the election of a council chairman.

Sources close to the discussions said the talks were deadlocked over resistance demands that Prince Norodom Sihanouk be elected chairman and 13th member of the council.

The Vietnamese-backed government countered with demands that Prime Minister Hun Sen be named leader of the Cambodian delegation to the U.N. General Assembly due to open later Tuesday, the sources said.

The resistance currently holds Cambodia's U.N. seat and yielding it to the joint Council is seen as a major concession.

At the United Nations Tuesday, the current U.N. delegation said it would leave its U.N. seat vacant until Cambodian leaders appoint new representatives under the peace plan.

''We will not be seen in the General Assembly out of respect of the Supreme National Council and we are waiting for the arrival of the delegation set up by the council,'' said Sihanouk's representative to the United Nations, Ambassador Sisowath Sirirath.

The council is meant to act as the sole national authority in Cambodia during an interim period during which a U.N. transitional authority is supposed to disarm all sides, supervise a ceasefire, end foreign arms supplies, and conduct elections. The estimated $2 billion operation is expected to be the largest, costliest and most difficult carried out by the United Nations.

Despite pressure from their foreign backers to implement the U.N. peace plan, the Cambodian factions appeared enmeshed in the the distrustful maneuvering that has helped make Cambodia a battlefield for much of the past 20 years.

''The negotiations are not yet finished. There are many problems,'' said Pracha Gunakasem a senior Thai foreign ministry official assigned to facilitate the talks.

Pracha said informal talks would continue in hopes of holding the formal council meeting Wednesday.

''There is a mood of compromise,'' said Pansak Winyarat, another Thai official assisting the talks, but he declined to discuss points of agreement or disagreement.

''I think tomorrow this will come to a conclusion,'' he said. ''I hope it will be a positive one.''

Ranariddh, clearly disappointed that his father Prince Norodom Sihanouk, was not immediately named to head the ''Supreme National Council'' that is meant to represent Cambodia's sovereignty under a U.N. peace plan, left for France just before the second meeting was due to open. Associates said he left on family business that could not be further postponed.

Ranariddh denied his group was boycotting the meeting or putting up obstacles to the meeting.

He said his group ''will unconditionally accept all agreements reached by the three other Cambodian parties.''

The 12-member council includes Hun Sen of the Vietnamese-installed government and the two other resistance leaders - Khieu Samphan of the Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge and Son Sann of the non-communist Khmer People's National Liberation Front.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 18) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	79.45	79.62	79.20	79.47	79.37
Dec	77.40	77.55	77.07	77.27	77.17
Feb	75.80	76.02	75.55	75.82	75.62
Apr	76.00	76.27	75.95	76.00	75.90
Jun	74.00	74.10	73.80	73.95	73.90
Aug	72.50	72.50	72.15	72.15	72.15
Oct	....	....	....	72.15	72.15

Est. sales 12,198 contracts; Tuesday 13,701; open interest 70,599 up 627.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Sep	89.35	89.65	89.10	89.25	89.17
Oct	88.10	88.30	87.85	87.90	87.97
Nov	87.85	88.10	87.55	87.57	87.77
Jan	86.95	87.15	86.60	86.67	86.85
Mar	85.45	85.50	85.05	85.25	85.45
Apr	84.25	84.37	84.10	84.15	84.32
May	83.25	83.25	83.00	83.10	83.15

Est. sales 1,281 contracts; Tuesday 1,597; open interest 10,589 up 60.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
Oct 53.45 53.82 53.00 53.47 53.00
Dec 52.70 52.85 51.95 52.32 52.35
Feb 49.35 49.85 49.00 49.35 49.25
Apr 45.90 46.60 45.80 45.80 45.90
Jun 50.35 50.90 50.25 50.40 50.35
Jly 50.50 50.70 50.30 50.50 50.37
Aug 48.90 49.30 48.90 49.10 49.00
Oct .... 43.92 43.92 Est. sales 10,903 contracts; Tuesday 13,432; open interest 27,345 up 1,592. Frozen Pork

Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 57.70 58.05 55.65 56.82 56.65
Mar 57.70 58.00 55.62 56.75 56.62
May 58.40 58.40 56.30 57.40 57.37
Jly 57.35 58.00 56.20 57.12 57.25
Aug .... 54.50 .... 54.50 53.90 Est. sales 4,537 contracts; Tuesday 1,891; open interest 6,091 up 75.

CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 121.82 up 35 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 120.81 up 87 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 115.46 up 45 cents, 700-850 lbs. 115.31 up 62 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins were not well established; skinned hams steady to firm; seedless bellies not fully established; loins 14-18 lbs. 119.50; hams 17-20 lbs. 95.00-96.00, 20-26 lbs.95.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 50.00.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - The United States announced plans Tuesday to end American operations at 127 mostly minor military sites overseas that include two air bases in West Germany and one in Spain.

The Pentagon said it also intends to cut troop strength at 23 other minor military sites overseas. It did not provide an estimate of the number of troops that would be affected.

''As we draw down the overall size of the force, it is essential that we correspondingly reduce the installations where the force is based, both in the United States and overseas,'' Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said.

The Pentagon released a list of 150 sites to be shut or reduced in strength at 44 separate locations in 10 countries. Most of them, however, are small military sites, such as training areas, officers clubs and barracks.

The three bases listed for complete U.S. military withdrawal were Hessich Oldendorf Air Base and Lindsey Air Base in West Germany and Torrejon Air Base in Spain.

The United States already had agreed, at Spain's request, to relocate the 401st Tactical Fighter Wing from its NATO base at Torrejon to a new facility being built at Crotone, Italy.

Altogether, the United States will end its military operations at 94 sites in West Germany, 11 in Spain, nine in South Korea, three in Greece, three in Italy, three in Britain, three in Australia and one in Japan.

The Pentagon also will reduce U.S. military forces at 14 sites in West Germany three in South Korea, two in Spain, and at one site each in Italy, Japan, Canada and Bermuda.

''Some of the changes will begin in fiscal 1991, some in fiscal year 1992, and some later,'' Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said. Fiscal year 1991 begins in less than two weeks, on Oct. 1.

He offered no figure on the number of U.S. troops that will be affected, but said the withdrawals and reductions were taken in line with the troop cuts expected to take place following a conventional forces reduction agreement with the Soviet Union.

The proposal under negotiation calls for each side to reduce troop levels in central Europe to 195,000. The United States currently has 320,000 troops in Europe.

Cheney announced plans last January to study the possibility of closing 35 military bases in the United States and to end operations at 12 bases overseas and to reduce forces at two others overseas.

Congress must approve the closure or reduction of U.S. military facilities in the United States, but no such approval is needed for action to be taken on overseas bases.

In addition to the U.S. withdrawal from the three bases listed Tuesday, the Pentagon said it will also end operations completely at two military communities in West Germany, Bad Toelz and Neu Ulm.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 18) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.60 1/2	2.60 1/2	2.58 1/4	2.59 1/2	2.61
Dec	2.76	2.76 1/4	2.73	2.75	2.76
Mar	2.90	2.90 1/2	2.87 1/2	2.89 1/2	2.90 3/4
May	2.97 1/2	2.98	2.95 1/2	2.97 1/2	2.98 1/2
Jly	3.03 1/2	3.04	3.01 1/2	3.03	3.03 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	2.36 1/4	2.37 3/4	2.36	2.37	2.35 3/4
Dec	2.25 3/4	2.27	2.25 1/4	2.26	2.25 1/2
Mar	2.35 1/4	2.36 1/2	2.35	2.36	2.35 1/4
May	2.42	2.43	2.41 3/4	2.42 1/2	2.42
Jly	2.46 1/2	2.47 1/2	2.46	2.46 3/4	2.46
Sep	2.46 1/2	2.46 1/2	2.46	2.46 1/4	2.46 1/2
Dec	2.47 3/4	2.48 1/4	2.47	2.47 1/2	2.48
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	1.09 1/2	1.11	1.09 1/2	1.10 3/4	1.09 1/4
Dec	1.18 1/4	1.19	1.17 1/4	1.19	1.17 1/2
Mar	1.29	1.29 1/2	1.28 1/4	1.29 1/2	1.28
May	1.35 1/2	1.36	1.35 1/4	1.36 1/2	1.35
Jly	1.41 1/2	1.42	1.41 1/2	1.42 1/2	1.41
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Sep	6.17	6.24	6.14	6.22 1/2	6.15 1/2
Nov	6.29	6.35 1/4	6.25	6.33 1/4	6.26 1/2
Jan	6.43	6.49 1/2	6.40	6.48	6.41 1/4
Mar	6.58	6.63	6.53 1/2	6.60 1/4	6.54 1/2
May	6.66 1/2	6.71 1/2	6.62	6.70	6.63 1/2
Jly	6.72 1/2	6.78	6.69 1/2	6.76	6.70 1/4
Aug	6.61	6.71	6.61	6.68	6.64 1/2
Sep	6.41	6.45	6.41	6.45	6.40 1/2
Nov	6.35 1/2	6.38 1/2	6.35	6.36 1/2	6.34 3/4
Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Sep	23.70	23.85	23.70	23.76	23.70
Oct	23.68	23.85	23.65	23.84	23.66
Dec	23.90	24.05	23.80	24.04	23.84
Jan	24.13	24.25	24.05	24.25	24.09
Mar	24.35	24.53	24.32	24.51	24.32
May	24.60	24.71	24.55	24.70	24.55
Jly	24.70	24.75	24.65	24.75	24.60

Aug	24.60	24.70	24.55	24.67	24.60
Sep	24.50	24.59	24.40	24.59	24.49
Oct	24.10	24.30	24.10	24.30	23.97

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	182.00	184.40	181.00	184.20	182.20
Oct	183.00	185.30	182.20	185.00	183.10
Dec	186.70	189.50	186.00	188.80	186.60
Jan	188.80	190.60	187.70	189.80	188.00
Mar	191.00	193.20	190.50	192.60	190.60
May	192.20	194.00	192.00	193.80	192.10
Jly	193.50	195.00	193.00	195.00	193.10
Aug	192.50	194.50	192.00	193.20	191.50
Sep	190.50	193.00	190.00	192.20	191.50

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year later.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Belcor Inc (3rd Q 7-31)	
$6,877,000	$6,252,000
$289,000 (.06)	$279,000 (.07)
Inacomp Computer Cntrs (4th Q 7-28)	
$133,576,000	$99,778,000
$1,477,000 (.20)	$1,379,000 (.19)
Jewelmasters Inc (2nd Q 8-4)	
$15.169,000	$10,759,000
d-$627,000	d-865,000
d-Deficit.	
Puroflos Inc (2nd Q 7-31)	
$2,340,000	$1,437,000
a-$149,000 (.04)	$19,000 (.01)
a-Income from continuing operations.	
Tab Products (1st Q 8-31)	
$32,760,000	$33,561,000
$1,269,000 (.19)	$1,232,000 (.19)

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DENVER (SEPT. 18) UPI - President Bush, hoping to spread some of his popularity among GOP candidates coast to coast, began a vigorous fall campaign Tuesday to put more Republicans in Congress, governorships and state legislatures.

The president embarked on a two-day western swing that opened in Denver and featured an overnight stop in Los Angeles and a breakfast fund-raiser in San Francisco before heading back to the White House Wednesday.

Bush has been focused heavily on California Sen. Pete Wilson's tough gubernatorial campaign against Democrat Diane Feinstein, but also has taken care to promote GOP candidates down to the local level.

He has set aside two days next week, Wednesday and Thursday, to campaign in the Midwest, mainly for fund-raising events in Minneapolis, Chicago, Cleveland and Akron, Ohio, and Detroit.

The president, who is riding a wave of public approval for his decision to send U.S. troops to the Persian Gulf to confront Saddam Hussein, also has a heavy political schedule for October and the days immediately before the Nov. 6 elections.

For instance, during an Oct. 4-8 visit to his vacation home in Kennebunkport, Maine, Bush plans to attend campaign events in Stamford, Conn., Manchester, N.H., and Portland, Maine.

At the end of October, Bush is planning another trip to California and then on to Hawaii.

The president apparently holds out no hope of breaking the Democratic control of Congress, but he is trying to whittle into the opposition's majorities, now 55-45 in the Senate and 257-176 in the House.

The Republican National Committee and state GOP committees were expected to be billed for Bush's transportation costs, which are higher than ever now thanks to the new presidential jumbo jet.

Bush's campaign speeches are designed to touch all bases, domestic and international, and his remarks prepared for a fund-raising luncheon in Denver Tuesday were typical.

The president prodded the budget summit negotiators, warning that the ''clock is ticking'' toward punishing automatic spending cuts of about $105 billion, and reneweing his challenge to Congress to reach a deficit reduction accord.

''We all know the danger that high deficits can drag down our economy,'' he said. ''It's time to put ourselves to the test.''

In his speeches in Colorado and California, Bush also continued his rhetorical battle with Saddam, putting the Iraqi president on notice that ''the world will not look the other way,'' and ''Iraq's act of aggression'' in invading and annexing Kuwait last Aug. 2, ''will not stand.

But in Denver, Bush avoided one issue that, although obscured by the Persian Gulf crisis, may become a flashpoint in the campaign - the savings and loan scandal.

Bush's son Neil was one of the directors of the Silverado savings and loan in Denver that failed at a cost to taxpayers of perhaps $1 billion. Neil Bush, who has maintained he did nothing wrong, is still under investigation in the case.

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#90261u1638 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 18) UPI - Grim NASA managers Tuesday agreed to set up an independent team of agency engineers to find and fix the elusive fuel leaks that have grounded the shuttle Columbia until at least late October and probably longer.

''It's easy to be the coach on Monday morning, but we never attacked this problem the way we should have,'' said a NASA official who requested anonymity. ''It's been a bunch of wishes and dreams. It hasn't been a 'go hunt the SOB and tear the thing apart if necessary' kind of thing.''

Columbia and its seven-man crew had been set for a fourth launch attempt at 1:28 a.m. EDT Tuesday to finally kick off a 10-day astronomy mission running a record 111 days behind schedule because of two previous hydrogen fuel leaks and trouble with an on-board telescope.

Instead, a third hydrogen leak in the shuttle's engine compartment Monday night during fuel loading forced NASA engineers to cancel the countdown and to delay the flight until after the launch of the shuttle Discovery around Oct. 5 on a high-priority mission to carry a European solar probe into space.

Given that NASA is at a complete loss to explain Columbia's leaks, agency managers say the $2 billion shuttle could be grounded until December, after Discovery's October flight and after a November mission by the shuttle Atlantis that was delayed in July by yet another hydrogen leak.

Columbia's crew, meanwhile - commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 45, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 47 - flew back to Houston Tuesday to await word on when they might get another chance.

Under mounting pressure to explain the space agency's inability to get the

grounded shuttle program back on track, NASA managers are setting up a special ''tiger'' team of engineers independent of the normal shuttle program chain of command to get to the bottom of Columbia's problems.

The team, made up of engineers from the Johnson Space Center in Houston, the Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala., and the Kennedy Space Center will be based at the launch site in Florida to deal with the leak issue on a first-hand basis, said a NASA spokesman.

Because the leaks only show up in the presence of supercold rocket fuel, NASA's best shot at tracking down the source of the leakage is at the launch pad, the only place the shuttle's engines and plumbing can be subjected to the effects of minus 423-degree liquid hydrogen.

Engineers plan to mount special cameras in Columbia's engine room before conducting an exhaustive series of tests, possibly beginning as early as Sunday, to visually track down the source of the leakage. Similar camera systems are used in other rocket programs.

''The next step is to be sure we get the right set of instrumentation in the aft this time and go do an exhaustive tanking test and see if we can't pinpoint it and get on with the program,'' said Leonard Nicholson, shuttle program manager at the Johnson Space Center.

Engineers also are studying whether to conduct a fueling test on Discovery, although no one has any reason to suspect any similar problems. If such a test is ordered, however, Discovery's launch would be delayed beyond Oct. 5.

Columbia's most recent flight in January marked the first use of mobile launch platform No. 3, a massive firing stand that carries the weight of the spaceship and houses a plumber's nightmare of fuel lines, hydraulic systems and electrical cables.

Engineers now believe that some amount of Carborundum, an abrasive polishing agent, was left inside an ''MLP'' system by accident and that it may have been swept into Columbia's fuel line system during propellant loading before its most recent flight in 1989, possibly damaging critical seals or other systems.

''Carborundum is kind of a grit, kind of the metal equivalent of sand paper, to polish metal parts,'' said shuttle program director Robert Crippen. ''When we flew Columbia the last time it was the first flight off mobile launch platform No. 3.

''The best guess that we have today is that somehow we left a small amount of this grit paper in this system and that got sucked into the vehicle in the process of tanking it (with fuel). That's what we found on some filters in Columbia after its last flight.''

While more tests are required to resolve the issue once and for all, another NASA officials said, ''Underneath, I think everybody thinks the MLP is the culprit. I think ultimately you may have to tear that thing apart and go find it.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 19 to 23 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	11.18	11.22	10.75	10.92	11.15
Mar	10.73	10.75	10.38	10.52	10.71
May	10.72	10.72	10.40	10.51	10.70
Jly	10.72	10.74	10.43	10.51	10.71
Oct	10.77	10.77	10.56	10.56	10.76

Estimated sales: 24,554 contracts

Open interest: 109,523 off 4,896

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.88

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 11 points higher to 1 point lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.21	23.26	23.20	23.20	23.21
Jan	23.03	23.11	22.85	23.04	23.02
Mar	23.01	23.06	23.00	23.04	23.01
May	23.04	23.15	23.04	23.14	23.03
Jly	23.07	23.16	23.06	23.06	23.06
Sep	23.06	23.10	23.06	23.10	23.06
Nov	....	....	....	22.90	22.89

Estimated sales: 1,218 contracts

Open interest: 10,455 up 110

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Gold futures closed 140 to 190 points lower Tuesday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	384.70	....	....	387.60	389.40
Oct	386.00	389.80	385.70	388.70	390.60
Dec	390.50	394.70	389.70	393.30	395.20

Feb	394.50	398.00	394.00	397.60	399.40
Apr	399.50	402.10	398.00	401.60	403.40
Jun	407.00	407.00	407.00	406.00	407.60
Aug	408.00	408.00	408.00	410.00	411.60
Oct	411.40	....	....	414.70	416.10
Dec	420.00	420.00	418.50	419.30	420.70
Feb	420.90	....	....	424.20	425.60
Apr	425.60	....	....	428.90	430.30
Jun	430.60	....	....	433.90	435.30

Open interest: 113,031 off 46.

Estimated sales: 33,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	390.00	up 4.75
Morning fixing	390.55	up 0.55
Afternoon fixing	386.00	off 4.00
Close	388.00	off 2.00
Paris	389.75	off 1.31
Zurich	387.50	off 1.50
Hong Kong	391.25	up 1.25
New York		
Comex spot close	387.60	off 1.80
Republic cash	388.25	off 2.00
Handy and Harman	386.00	off 3.40

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 387.31 off 3.40 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 406.68 off 3.51 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.79	up 0.024
Republic cash	4.82	up 0.025

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.785 per fine ounce up 0.02

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.805 up 0.02 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.141 up 0.021

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 461.50 up 1.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 561.50 up 1.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 107.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 122.00 up 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $35 to $36 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.30 cent to 1.40 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 2.35 cents to 3.95 cents a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 1.15 cent higher to 0.05 cent a pound lower for a 50,000- pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.40 to $1.90 an ounce lower for a 100-troy- ounce contract.

Platinum - $2.60 to $3.00 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.95 cent to 2.00 cents a pound higher for a 15,000- pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 2.4 to 2.8 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000- troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.019 to 0.023 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90261u1732 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1098.2
Monday	1093.8
Week ago	1095.9
Month ago	1126.1
Year ago	1098.2
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90261u1742 09/18/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 18) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Slightly lower in light trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Slightly lower in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1 1/4 to off 1/2, soybeans up 1 3/4 to 7, wheat off 1/2 to 1 1/2 and oats closed up 1 1/2 cents in all contracts.

Cattle Trade - 50 cents to $1 higher top $78.25.

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#90261u1746 09/18/1990 ~United Press International
MILAN, ITALY (SEPT. 18) UPI - Few concrete signs emerged Tuesday of what West German tire manufacturer Continental AG's response would be to Pirelli SpA's proposal to merge the companies' tire operations.

''It is a friendly proposal,'' a Pirelli spokesman said of the complex deal, under which the Italian tiremaker would merge its tire business into that of Continental - but would simultaneously assume control of the merged venture.

Senior executives from the two companies were reported to be meeting in Germany.

The Pirelli spokesman, who declined to be identified, said the proposal was supported by a controlling block of Continental shareholders.

The spokesman said Pirelli already holds a 5 percent stake in the German company. Pirelli in a statement issued Tuesday denied that it was making a hostile takeover bid for Continental.

But there were signs Continental was less than enthusiastic about the offer, with German reports saying the company wants to remain independent.

Continental issued a statement late Monday saying Pirelli was offering its tire operations for acquisition. Pirelli countered with a statement claiming Continental shareholders support the merger proposal.

At Continental's Hanover, West Germany, headquarters, a spokesman denied the company's administrative council had spurned the offer.

The spokesman, Dieter Von Herz, said the Pirelli proposal ''is being examined.'' He said that Continental could make a counterproposal but that it would take several weeks for the company to scrutinize Pirelli's offer.

German experts said Continental probably would issue a counterproposal. Continental Chairman Horst Urban is believed to want to keep the companyindependent.

Andrea Travelli, Pirelli's financial director, was reported to be in Germany for a series of meetings with Continental executives.

Meanwhile, Pirelli boss Leopoldo Pirelli was expected to meet in Hanover Wednesday with Gerhard Schroeder, head of Lower Saxony's state government, and Gerd Silber-Bonz, president of Pirelli's German subsidiary.

Specifically, Pirelli proposed to convey Pirelli Tyre Holding, based in the Netherlands, to Continental, receiving in turn enough Continental shares to give it a controlling stake in the German company.

The merger of Continental, the world's fourth-largest tiremaker, and Pirelli, ranked fifth, would create a more competitive company that would hold 16 percent of the global tire market, the Pirelli official said.

The world's largest tire company, France's Michelin, has a 24 percent share, followed by Akron, Ohio-based Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., with 19 percent, and Japan's Bridgestone Corp., with 17 percent.

Pirelli has told Continental that a merger would make marketing sense, as Continental is stronger in Northern Europe, whereas Pirelli is well-positioned in the Mediterranean region.

The proposal ''has a very clear industrial reasoning behind it,'' the Pirelli spokesman said. He said the merged entity would be ''very close'' to Bridgestone in terms of market share.

He said, if the transaction were to move forward, the Pirelli brand would continue to exist within the Continental tire unit, which the Pirelli group would control.

Pirelli for some years has been seeking an acquisition to build its share of the global market.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 18) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.59 1/2-2.60 off 1-1 1/2.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.22 1/4-6.33 1/4 up 6 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.26-2.37 off 3 1/2 to up 1 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.26-2.36 off 7 1/2 to up 2 1/2.

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#90261u1763 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - American Airlines and United Air Lines Tuesday said they were discontinuing their super-coach one way fares, also known as junk fares, in most markets, a move that will largely affect business travelers.

The action comes at a time when airline fares are scheduled to go up by another 4.2 percent effective Oct. 1. The fare hike comes on top of a 5.3 percent increase announced in late August.

The increases have been blamed on the sharply rising cost of jet fuel triggered by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent United Nations embargo against oil exports from the two Persian Gulf nations.

The elimination of the junk fares is another attempt by airline companies to increase their yield in an environment of rising costs and sharply declining profits.

The junk fares, in effect for many years, were a marketing and competitive tool to attract the business traveler. They are lower than regular full coach fares but higher than the lowest discount or super- saver fares.

Junk fare tickets have been popular with business travelers because they are less restrictive requiring no more than seven-day advance purchase and can be bought for a one-way journey and also include refund features.

Super-saver tickets, on the other hand, have no refund features and must be bought 14 days in advance. Super-savers are popular among vacation travelers who typically have more time to plan their trips.

''American Airlines, along with other carriers, is discontinuing the one-way discount fares on many markets effective tomorrow,'' said Tim Smith, spokesman for the Fort Worth-based carrier. ''Today is the last day for those fares. There will still be a few of these available and in those markets we will remain competitive.''

Essentially, the junk fares are being eliminated from major markets. This can significantly add to the cost of air travel.

For example, American's junk fare for a one way trip from Dallas to Chicago was $350. From Wednesday, that trip will cost the regular coach fare of $409, Smith said. Comparatively, the deep discount fare on that sector will be $274 round trip, he said.

United said it was discontinuing the super coach fare as part of its effort to improve yields on revenue per passenger mile, said spokesman Joe Hopkins.

''It is certainly related to the sharply escalating cost of jet fuel, '' he said. He said each 1-cent-a-gallon jet fuel increase results in an annual fuel cost increase of $22.5 million at United, which uses about 6 million gallons a day.

''This is being done to raise the yield in this adverse environment,'' said Bob Decker, airline analyst at Duff & Phelps Inc. in Chicago. ''When you figure that roughly 50 percent of all air travel is business travel, this is quite significant.''

Industry figures show that 87 percent of all air travel in the country in July were on discounted coach fares which include junk fares. No breakdown was available for the market share held by junk fare alone but some estimates were as high as 15 percent.

Lee Howard, head of Airline Economics Inc. in Washington, D.C., said eliminating junk fares will help increase revenues for airline companies.

''When you eliminate them, you cause a large percentage of passengers to go on the higher full fares,'' Howard said. ''That will give the airlines a great deal of leverage.''

In New York, Pan American World Airways Inc. said it was ''reviewing'' its policy on the super-coach fares.

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#90261u1783 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

DENVER (SEPT. 18) UPI - Rep. Patricia Schroeder, D-Colo., asked the head of the federal Office of Thrift Supervision Tuesday to reconsider his decision to limit news coverage of a hearing into Neil Bush's role in the failure of the Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan.

An OTS administrative law judge is scheduled to hear allegations Sept. 25 that Bush, the son of the president, was guilty of acting improperly while a member of the failed thrift's board of directors.

Previous hearings in similar cases have been closed, but the OTS changed its policy earlier this summer to allow public access. However, the agency has banned all audio and video recording equipment.

Schroeder and the Colorado Broadcasters Association appealed the ban, but OTS Director Timothy Ryan rejected their arguments.

Schroeder, in a letter to Ryan, asked him to reconsider his decision. She said the restrictions on the media will hamper the public's right to know the details of Silverado's collapse in 1988. The failure is expected to eventually cost the taxpayers $1 billion.

She said television and radio reporters will be severely hampered by not having audio and video transmissions from the hearing, and newspaper and magazine reporters will not be able to use tape recorders to accurately transcribe testimony.

''It would be in the best interests of all parties to have a timely and accurate public record of the hearing,'' Schroeder wrote. She quoted a 1971 Supreme Court decision which said ''a cantankerous press, an obstinate press, a ubiquitous press must be suffered by those in authority in order to preserve the even greater values of freedom of expression and the right of people to know.''

When Ryan earlier announced that the hearing would be public, he said it was necessary to assure the public that regulators were ''doing everything possible'' to protect taxpayers. He didn't explain why he was banning audio and video equipment.

Neil Bush, a Denver oilman, was an outside director of Silverado from 1985 until shortly before it was seized by regulators in 1988. He has been accused of conflicts of interest in his dealings with former Denver developers Ken Good and Bill Walters, two major Silverado borrowers.

Regulators have said Bush failed to disclose to other Silverado board members that Good and Walters were investors in JNB Exploration, Bush's now-defunct oil exploration firm.

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#90261u1805 09/18/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 18) UPI - Squabbling Cambodian leaders today put off a formal meeting of a national council meant to return peace to Cambodia after 11 years of conflict. The so-called ''Supreme National Council'' brings together leaders of all four battling Cambodian factions.

A tropical depression formed in the Atlantic-Caribbean today about 950 miles east the Windward Islands, the 11th of the 1990 hurricane season. Forecasters predict that the depression could develop into a tropical storm by the end of the day.

Typhoon Flo, the fiercest storm to hit Japan in 31 years, slammed into the Japanese island chain of Okinawa today, triggering landslides that killed at least one woman and possibly four other people.

The Food and Drug Administration is asking the makers of toothpastes and mouthwashes to submit proof of their plague-fighting claims. Plaque is a sticky film of food debris and other material that builds up on teeth, promoting bacteria growth.

Researchers at the federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta say syphilis is at its highest level in the United States since 1949. The C- D-C researchers say blacks are the hardest hit by the resurgence of the venereal disease.

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#90261u1818 09/18/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.05

60 to 89 days 7.93

90 to 119 days 7.87

120 to 149 days 7.87

150 to 179 days 7.81

180 to 270 days 7.78

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.05 - 7.80

Issuers 30 days 8.02

Issuers 90 days 7.68

Issuers 270 days 7.42

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.10

60 to 89 days 8.05

90 to 119 days 8.05

120 to 149 days 8.07

150 to 179 days 8.07

180 days 8.07

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

1 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

3 month 8.00 - 8.125

6 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

Year 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.37 - 7.35

6 months 7.28 - 7.26

Year 7.22 - 7.20

Federal Funds: High 7 15-16, Low 6 1/4, Close 7

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.872 up 0.031.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2571.29	up	3.96
20 Trans	901.44	up	13.50
15 Utils	200.52	up	0.63
65 Stocks	898.87	up	4.82

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Tuesday	2571.29	up	3.96	901.44	up	13.50	200.52	up	0.63
Monday	2567.33	up	3.22	887.94	off	1.48	199.89	up	0.69
Week ago	2612.62	off	2.97	909.58	up	1.48	200.26	off	0.19
Month ago	2603.96	off	52.47	908.58	off	21.71	198.50	off	2.96
Year ago	2687.31	off	0.19	1450.21	up	8.00	216.55	up	0.06
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90261u1834 09/18/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.11	off 0.24
10 Public Utils	90.21	off 0.37

10 Industrials 88.01 off 0.12

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#90261u1839 09/18/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	59 3-8	up	5-8
AT&T Company	31 1-8	up	3-8
BCE Inc	31 1-8	up	3-8
Bell Atlantic	45 3-8	unch	
BellSouth Corp	51 3-4	up	1-4
Exxon Corp	51 1-8	off	1-2
Ford Motor Co	35 1-8	up	3-8
Genl Electric	58 1-2	off	1-2
General Motors	37 5-8	up	1-2
GTE Corp	25 1-8	off	1-4
IBM Corp	107	up	1 7-8
Mobil Oil Corp	66 3-4	up	1-4
Nynex Corp	71 5-8	up	1-2
Pac Gas & Elec	20 5-8	unch	
Pacific Telesis	41 1-4	up	3-4
Phila Electric	14 7-8	unch	
Sears Roebuck	27 1-4	off	1-2
Southern Co	23 5-8	unch	
Sthwestern Bell	48 5-8	up	3-8
US West Inc	34 3-8	off	1-8

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#90261u1850 09/18/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - The Senate ratified tax treaties with six countries Tuesday that are intended to reduce taxation of income earned by corporations or residents of one country from sources within another country.

The treaties, approved as a group without debate on a 99-0 vote, are with West Germany, Tunisia, Spain, Indonesia, India and Finland. The tax treaties with Tunisia, Spain, Indonesia and India are the first ever.

After German unification, the treaty with West Germany could be made to apply to what is now East Germany, upon further action of the German government.

As a result of the treaties, U.S. companies earning income from other countries will pay reduced taxes in those countries and companies from the six nations operating in America will pay less into the U.S. Treasury.

For example, the United States will eliminate the excise tax on premiums paid

to West Germany insurance companies for policies covering a risk in the United States - a change intended to help the West Germany firms.

One benefit going to U.S. individuals is that U.S. taxpayers who receive a reduction in their West German taxes will pocket much of the money instead of turning it all over to the U.S. government.

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#90261u1863 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks	-	10,890,000 shares
1990 to date	-	2,507,482,745
Bonds	-	$2,680,000
1990 to date	-	$513,498,000

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#90261u1867 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks	-	141,130,000 shares
1990 to date	-	28,384,916,822
Warrants	-	1,020,500
1990 to date	-	179,001,200

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#90261u1872 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	319.69	off 2.02
High Technology	315.71	off 1.07
Capital Goods	340.13	off 2.94
Consumer Goods	379.55	off 4.20
Service	706.70	off 10.84
Retail	989.81	off 6.58
Financial	372.03	off 0.98
Natural Resources	247.48	off 0.66
Housing-Const-Land	337.72	off 0.59

There was a loss of 6 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	409.44	off 0.67
Mid Atlantic	409.01	off 4.43
No Central	418.38	off 8.41
So Atlantic	917.55	off 9.02
So Central	313.22	off 1.94
Mountain	113.12	off 0.75
Pacific	372.44	off 2.84

Foreign 243.11 off 0.10

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#90261u1875 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 18) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Tuesday - 9,124,000

1990 to date - 1,810,396,000

The market closed mixed.

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#90261u1879 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Tuesday - $45,010,000

1990 to date - $8,016,366,000

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#90261u1890 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 321.72, low 319.09, close 319.69, off 2.02.

There was a loss of 6 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,890,000 shares, compared with 9,810,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	6
New Lows	55
Advances	189
Declines	338
Unchanged	236
Total Issues	763

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#90261u1895 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	$58,807,540	33 1/2	up 5/8
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	51,442,128	71	off 1
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	48,424,944	61 3/4	up 1
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	40,721,676	45 5/8	off 1/4
Apple Computer	(AAPL)	38,610,672	33 3/8	off 3/8

MCI Commun	(MCIC)	34,451,856	32 1/8	unch
Verifone	(VFIC)	32,308,964	7 5/8	off 5 1/4
Amgen	(AMGN)	28,086,546	49 1/2	unch
Autodesk Inc	(ACAD)	25,774,366	46 7/8	off 2 3/8
Sun Microsystm	(SUNW)	25,190,908	29 3/8	up 7/8

Composite Index 162.91 off 0.84

NMS volume 87,946,704 shares.

Advances	599
Declines	894
Unchanged	1,319
Total	2,812

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#90261u1925 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - Three people are dead and at least six others injured in a building collapse in downtown Philadelphia. Fire officials say the three passers- by died when the front wall and roof of two adjoining buildings collapsed without warning onto a major shopping thoroughfare several blocks from city hall. The injured include four police officers who were walking by at the time.

A United Nations report released in Geneva, Switzerland, today says the Persian Gulf crisis may worsen world recession. The U-N report says the crisis exacerbates existing instability and uncertainty on financial and currency markets due to exchange rate upheavals. It says particularly hard-hit will be developing countries dependent on foreign oil, where a sustained oil price of 30 dollars a barrel could spell economic ruin.

Former President Reagan today... in his second day of a private visit to the Soviet Union... met with a small group of students at Moscow University. It was there during the 1988 Moscow summit that he delivered a moving speech about the need for freedom. He told students today that Soviet President Gorbachev is doing just what he should in his cautious moves toward a market economy. But Reagan later told Russian republic President Boris Yeltsin that he also admired Yeltsin's more radical ideas.

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#90261u1930 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	377.13	371.45	376.71	up 0.88
20 Trans	229.20	224.10	228.61	up 3.06

40 Utils	131.33	129.59	131.33	up	0.98
40 Fncl	22.90	22.51	22.77	off	0.13
500 Stocks	318.85	314.27	318.60	up	0.83

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#90261u1933 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - NASA today resolved to appoint a special team of its engineers to hunt down the fuel leaks that are plaguing the shuttle Columbia. One NASA official who requested anonymity said NASA never went after the leak as it could have during more than three months of flight delays. Engineers now suspect that an abrasive polishing agent might have gotten into Columbia's fuel system.

The Environmental Protection Agency today announced that nine chemical companies have pledged to cut toxic emissions by 80 percent from 40 of the nation's worst-polluting plants. The reductions are only a fraction of pollutants nation-wide. But the E-P-A says the agreements show voluntary efforts to reduce health risks... though some of the reductions probably will be required anyway under a pending clean-air bill.

A Chicago company says it believes business people are judged by the briefcases they keep. So the Chicago Trunk and Leather Works is offering the latest in ''power'' business accessories... the rent-a-briefcase. The store offers an 11-hundred-dollar ''knock-your-socks-off'' valise with solid brass locks for 100 dollars a day. Or a molded aluminum briefcase to drive a really hard bargain. The store manager asks... ''who's ever going to know'' it's rented?

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#90261u1934 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	375.83	225.55	130.35	22.90	317.77
Opening	373.93	224.62	129.90	22.71	316.16
11 a.m.	372.85	220.78	129.74	22.67	315.44
Noon	371.93	224.91	129.80	22.51	314.61
1 p.m.	372.58	225.42	129.95	22.55	315.14
2 p.m.	372.78	226.24	129.92	22.56	315.29
3 p.m.	374.70	227.85	130.46	22.66	316.87
Close	376.71	228.61	131.33	22.77	318.60
Change	up 0.88	up 3.06	up 0.98	off 0.13	up 0.83

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#90261u1937 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Tuesday	376.71	228.61	131.33	22.77	318.60
Monday	375.83	225.55	130.35	22.90	317.77
Week ago	380.23	230.31	128.65	23.64	321.04
Month ago	379.81	231.32	131.44	23.88	321.86
Year ago	395.98	313.45	141.93	32.95	346.55
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	362.23	220.36	124.60	22.87	307.06

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#90261u1948 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Fruit of Loom	775,700	8 1/2	off	7/8
Paine W Gr wtB	585,300	8 3/4	unch	
Conqest Explrtn	515,400	1 1/8	unch	
ENSCO	496,600	3 3/4	unch	
Pamida Hldg	347,000	5 5/8	unch	
Salomon wt Jan	330,000	17 5/8	off	1/8
Denmark K wt	262,600	18 1/2	off	1/8
Salomon p wt M	233,300	3 3/8	unch	
Salomon Phibro	204,000	3 7/8	off	1/8
Intermark	187,400	3 1/8	up	1/8

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#90261u1964 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Tuesday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6150	off	60
Woolworth pf	138	off	16
UAL Corp	105	up	7 5/8
Enron pfJ	199	up	5
Medtronic Inc	84 7/8	up	4 1/4
Chase Man pfD	37 1/2	off	3 1/2
MBIA Inc	31 7/8	off	3 1/2
Chase Man pfE	28 3/4	off	3

Gulf St Util pfB	55	off	3
Primerica Cp	23 1/8	off	2 5/8
Va Elec pfI	77	off	2 5/8

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#90261u1984 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 115 points higher to 5 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	72.75	74.00	72.51	73.90	72.75
Dec	71.40	72.35	71.30	72.30	71.60
Mar	72.55	73.50	72.52	73.43	72.82
May	73.05	74.05	73.05	74.15	73.45
Jly	73.50	73.90	73.46	74.11	73.66
Oct	69.50	....	....	69.75	69.70
Dec	67.85	67.90	67.78	67.90	67.95

Estimated sales: 4,500 contracts
Open interest: 35,173 up 101
The World spot average: 70.36

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#90261u1988 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	239.50	240.90	238.00	240.40	241.15
Dec	241.25	243.00	239.70	242.20	243.00
Mar	....	....	....	245.10	245.90
Jun	....	....	....	248.10	248.90

Previous day volume: 311 contracts.
Open interest: 1,361 off 3

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	315.70	319.30	313.90	318.40	317.85
Dec	318.55	322.40	317.00	321.60	321.10
Mar	321.30	325.00	320.00	324.30	323.85
Jun	327.60	328.50	323.00	328.10	327.65

Today's estimated volume: 60,492 contracts.

Open interest: 170,281 up 2,491
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	173.60	175.35	172.70	174.90	174.80
Dec	175.00	177.20	174.10	176.60	176.25
Mar	176.00	178.15	176.00	178.05	177.70

Open interest: 6,951 off 369
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	524.00	531.50	521.40	530.15	527.10
Oct	525.00	533.50	523.80	531.90	529.20

Estimated volume 3,936 contracts.
Open interest: 8,455 up 279

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#90261u2024 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	115,073,300
Advances	730
Declines	1,102
Unchanged	2,418
Total	4,218

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	22	20	8
New lows	183	149	94

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	581	52,008,000
Declines	893	72,328,100
Unchanged	485	16,793,900
Total	1,959	141,130,000

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#90261u2031 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	6
New lows	55

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	189	2,414,200
Declines	338	5,254,700
Unchanged	236	3,221,100
Total	763	10,890,000

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#90261u2034 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	372.21	off	1.90	379.49	467.05
Industrial	399.21	off	1.57	404.79	452.30
Finance	369.59	off	2.85	380.24	556.96
Insurance	433.52	off	2.89	444.76	530.25
Utility	495.44	off	3.37	511.19	739.39
Bank	271.40	off	2.61	282.19	486.04
Transport	410.70	off	1.38	416.96	462.58

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 162.91 off 0.84

Industrial Index 157.59 off 0.62

NASDAQ-100 Index 378.86 off 0.35

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#90261u2038 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	174.88	172.96	174.88	up 0.26
Industrial	219.12	216.68	219.12	up 0.33
Transport	139.24	137.12	139.24	up 1.71
Utility	83.71	82.84	83.71	up 0.50
Finance	119.57	118.79	119.56	off 0.77

Equivalent to a gain of 4 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 141,130,000 shares.

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#90261u2049 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

SEATTLE (SEPT. 18) UPI - The state Court of Appeals has reinstated a $2.5 million award to the Tacoma family of a toddler who suffered severe brain damage after inhaling baby oil.

The panel ruled 2-1 Monday that Pierce County Superior Court Judge Bruce Cohoe erred in September 1988 when he overturned a jury verdict against Johnson & Johnson Baby Products Co.

David Ayers, then 15 months, inhaled baby oil from a bottle in April 1985. The appellate court determined the baby oil should have contained a warning label about possible dangers.

The boy's mother, Cheryl Ayers, was relieved by the appeals court decision.

''It's been such a long, long haul,'' she said. ''Finally, I feel we can put our lives back together and get on with it.''

Therapy to correct damage to his lungs caused by inhaling baby oil resulted in the boy suffering cardiac arrest, which led to brain damage, the appellate court decision said.

The boy, now 6, cannot move his arms or legs, is unable to speak, suffers seizures and is mentally retarded, the judges said.

Cheryl Ayers said the ruling means the family may soon be able to pay for necessities and medical treatment not covered by insurance, including daily physical therapy, neck surgery, a new feeder chair, special braces, shoes and exercise equipment.

''We've had our hands tied because we haven't been able to give him the things he should have had,'' she said.

Plaintiff's attorney Elaine Houghton said Johnson & Johnson could appeal ruling to the state Supreme Court, but the state high court could decline to review the case.

Johnson & Johnson declined comment.

Cohoe earlier threw out a jury verdict against Johnson & Johnson, holding there was insufficent evidence to prove a warning label on the baby oil bottle would have prevented the mishap or that the accident was forseeable.

Appeals Judge Stanley Worswick wrote in the majority decision that family members would have been more careful with the baby oil, which was in a purse that had been left on the floor, had the bottle contained a warning label.

Citing expert testimony about the health hazards of inhaling baby oil, Worswick wrote, ''Given this potential for serious harm, the burden on Johnson & Johnson, essentially the cost of printing and affixing a warning label, seems light indeed.''

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#90261u2056 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - The Senate voted to allow states to ban the interstate dumping of garbage Tuesday, despite a warning it would create chaos in every community trying to get rid of its trash.

The Senate attached the ban 68-31 as an amendment to the District of Columbia fiscal 1991 appropriations bill that was then approved by voice vote and sent to conference with the House.

The legislation would allow states that create a 20-year plan to manage solid waste disposal to ban imports from other states. States would also be allowed to charge higher fees for disposal of solid waste that is imported from other states.

At present, the states cannot take such actions because the Supreme Court has held that transportation of solid wastes is protected by the commerce clause of the Constitution.

Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., who fought the amendment, said, ''The fight isn't over. This is just the first round.''

Bradley said opponents will have a ''much better shot'' at killing the proposal in negotiations with the House.

The D.C. appropriations bill also faces a veto because it permits abortions for victims of rape and incest. President Bush vetoed last year's D.C. money bill because it contained the liberalized abortion language.

Americans produce about 180 million tons of waste each year. The number of landfills has shrunk from 14,000 in 1978 to about 6,000 and those are expected to be closed within 15 years.

Sen. Dan Coats, R-Ind., said the amendment was needed to ''deal with the growing pile of trash'' because the states need ''some reasonable standards'' for the disposal of trash within their borders.

''There are mountains of out-of-state trash coming in,'' Coats said of his home state of Indiana. ''We are overwhelmed by truckloads and trainloads of trash.''

But Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., said the amendment would allow states to ''impose unlimited punitive fees'' on other states that must export their solid waste garbage.

''What we want is an orderly transition from what was to what should be,'' he said, complaining that the Coats amendment prevented an orderly transition. He also said Congress should concentrate on a national policy on disposal of solid wastes.

''This is simply blackmail,'' Lautenberg said. ''There is no reasonable time for exporting states to adjust.''

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#90261u2057 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	374.10	370.18	372.21	off 1.90
Industrial	399.42	396.00	399.21	off 1.57
Finance	372.06	368.93	369.59	off 2.85
Insurance	436.46	431.97	433.52	off 2.89
Utility	497.87	493.03	495.44	off 3.37
Bank	275.41	271.29	271.40	off 2.61
Transport	412.17	407.83	410.70	off 1.38

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-23) 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	162.91 off 0.84
Industrial Index	157.59 off 0.62
NASDAQ-100 Index (largest non-fin'cl)	378.86 off 0.35
Average price per share	8.51 off 0.04
Volume	87,946,704 shares
Advances	599
Declines	894
Unchanged	1,319
Total	2,812

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#90261u2058 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 18) UPI - Former Lincoln Savings and Loan official Charles Keating was jailed in Los Angeles today on charges he defrauded investors. A prosecutor said the victims did NOT realize that the junk bonds Lincoln sold were

high-risk and NOT insured. Prosecutors say the mostly elderly victims will probably NEVER see their money again. A judge ordered Keating jailed on five-Million-dollar bail... citing the seriousness of the case.

The Defense Department today disclosed it will end its operations at 127 military sites worldwide. Most of the facilities are minor... such as training areas, officers clubs and barracks... but they do include two air bases in West Germany and one in Spain. The changes will start in fiscal 1991... which begins the first of October. NO Congressional approval is needed to close overseas bases.

Officials say a wall of two adjoining buildings in Philadelphia collapsed onto a sidewalk today... killing three people and injuring six. Authorities say the roof of the buildings apparently gave way... causing the front wall to fall. NONE of the people inside were injured in the incident on Market Street. One witness said he helped pull bricks off a trapped victim and felt for his pulse... but said the man ''never had a chance.''

The South African attorney general says the wife of black leader Nelson Mandela will stand trial on counts of assault and kidnapping. Winnie Mandela is charged in connection with the 1988 abduction and murder of a 14-year-old boy by her chief bodyguard. The victim was accused of being a police informant. Officials say Mrs. Mandela would NOT be arrested provided she agrees to cooperate with authorities. The Mandela bodyguard already stood trial. He was found guilty and sentenced to death.

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#90261u2075 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Tue	Mon	Tue	Mon
Argntn austral	.000175	.000174	5718.00	5742.00
Australia dlr	.8308	.8386	1.2037	1.1925
Austria schill	.0919	.0914	10.88	10.94
Belgium franc-c	.0314	.0313	31.89	31.93
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0137	.0137	73.13	73.03
Britain pound	1.9145	1.9135	.5223	.5226
Britain 1-mo	1.9029	1.9029	.5255	.5255
Britain 3-mo	1.8833	1.8828	.5310	.5311
Britain 6-mo	1.8554	1.8549	.5390	.5391
Canada dollar	.8626	.8621	1.1593	1.1600
Canada 1-mo	.8556	.8588	1.1688	1.1644

Canada 3-mo	.8534	.8529	1.1718	1.1725
Canada 6-mo	.8463	.8466	1.1816	1.1812
Chile peso-f	.003380	.003374	295.84	296.38
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001922	.001924	520.18	519.70
Denmark krne	.1670	.1685	5.8965	5.9350
Ecudr sucre-z	.001156	.001161	865.00	861.30
Egypt pound	.3687	.3687	2.7121	2.7121
Finlnd mrkka	.2733	.2726	3.6590	3.6690
France franc	.1924	.1927	5.1975	5.1890
France 1-mo	.1921	.1924	5.2045	5.1967
France 3-mo	.1914	.1923	5.2245	5.2015
France 6-mo	.1903	.1905	5.2560	5.2480
Greece drach	.006662	.006897	150.10	145.00
Hollnd guildr	.5718	.5727	1.7488	1.7461
HongKong dlr	.1289	.1289	7.7588	7.7585
India rupee	.0562	.0563	17.78	17.77
Indo'sa rupia	.000540	.000540	1853.00	1852.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7310	1.7302	0.5777	0.5780
Israel shekel	.4975	.4926	2.0100	2.0300
Italy lira	.000861	.000862	1161.00	1160.50
Japan yen	.007260	.007314	137.75	136.72
Japan 1-mo	.007260	.007320	137.78	136.62
Japan 3-mo	.007260	.007336	137.75	136.32
Japan 6-mo	.007250	.007341	137.94	136.22
Jordan dinar	1.5375	1.5375	.6504	.6504
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000348	.000348	2873.00	2873.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6265	.6250	1.5962	1.6000
Norway krne	.1667	.1663	6.0020	6.0120
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	428,475	428,475
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escud	.007326	.007309	136.50	136.81
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5671	.5675	1.7635	1.7622
S.Africa rand	.3932	.3915	2.5430	2.5540
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010243	.010225	97.63	97.80
Sweden krona	.1753	.1750	5.7060	5.7140
Switzrl franc	.7755	.7772	1.2895	1.2867
Switzrl 1-mo	.7760	.7775	1.2886	1.2861
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7760	.7775	1.2887	1.2862
Switzrl 6-mo	.7765	.7767	1.2879	1.2875
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.87	26.89

Turkey lira	.000373	.000372	2679.00	2687.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6633	3.6633
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0208	.0208	48.00	48.02
W.Ger Mark	.6444	.6450	1.5519	1.5504
W.Ger 1-mo	.6445	.6450	1.5516	1.5505
W.Ger 3-mo	.6441	.6445	1.5525	1.5515
W.Ger 6-mo	.6428	.6433	1.5556	1.5546
Yugosl dinar	.0939	.0937	10.65	10.67

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 18) UPI - The government's first nationwide auction of thrift properties was sabotaged by bureaucratic foot-dragging and a lack of faith on the part of the Resolution Trust Corp., the auctioneer hired to run the sale said Tuesday.

The RTC formally canceled the commercial real estate auction on Tuesday, citing a breach of contract by the Auction Company of America.

''I don't look at this as an indictment of auction marketing. It is an indictment of bureaucracy,'' said James Gall, chairman of the Miami company.

In Washington, RTC Chairman L. William Seidman told reporters that Gall's company failed to come up with about $2 million to pay for marketing costs, as required by its contract.

''They basically have not performed under the contract. There probably will be lawsuits on both sides,'' Seidman said.

Gall said he was unable to come up with the money after actions by the RTC undermined his efforts to conduct a successful auction, thereby scaring off his investors. He estimated his auction costs to date at about $2 million.

''We had investors who were involved with us,'' Gall said. ''They have literally scared our investors away.''

He said efforts to organize the auction were undercut repeatedly by the RTC.

''The keys to a good auction are to have a motivated seller, to have a reasonable reserve price, or minimum bid, and an assurance that the property that is advertised will actually be there on auction day,'' Gall said.

''As we have gotten into this process, these keys have just fallen away.''

But the only criticism Seidman offered for the RTC's performance in the aborted auction was to say the agency ''didn't do the job'' in properly selecting a company to conduct the auction.

''It's simply something that didn't work out the way we hoped,'' he said.

Seidman said the government agency is considering using sealed bids to sell some of the properties that would have been auctioned.

''We will proceed with other efforts to sell these properties,'' he said.

Gall, 44, won the contract to conduct the satellite auction through competitive bidding, after lobbying Congress to include auction marketing as one method of disposing of properties seized from failed thrifts.

Gall and the RTC had planned to auction off about 70 properties, including the landmark CenTrust Financial Center in downtown Miami, with an estimated combined value in excess of $300 million.

The auction was to be staged in Dallas, with satellite auction sites in nine other American cities, Tokyo and London.

Gall accused the RTC of undercutting the auction in part by removing four properties from the sale.

''We learned last week that our second most important property in the auction, the Madison, an office building in Texas, has been sold. If you add up the sales figures on these properties, it amounts to a potential loss of commission to us, just on those four properties, of $1 million,'' he said.

''Commission aside, what it says to potential bidders is, ''Will my property be there on auction day?' We have been trying to hold this auction together, assuring bidders the properties will be there, and as ''

Gall also said RTC officials were slow to set reserve prices on properties.

''To this day, we never received the minimum bids, or reserve prices. They seemed to always be about a week away,'' Gall said.

''We have been unable to give (bidders) a price. If you have your buyers' hat on, you say I want to know the price before I start checking out the property. We have not been able to give them that information,'' he said.

Finally, Gall said RTC officials publicly expressed doubts about the auction,

thereby undermining his company's efforts. In one case, an official said he believed only half the properties offered would sell, Gall said.

''Quotes like this are just very damaging when you're trying to attract buyers to an auction. Our goal was to sell all the properties. You have to be upbeat and positive to bring people to an auction,'' he said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - The dollar moved mostly higher Tuesday in New York despite a set of very negative U.S. economic data showing an oil-fueled inflation surge and a sharply wider merchandise trade deficit.

Currency dealers said the dollar slipped initially on the morning announcements of the economic indicators, but the slippage was less than many players expected. That forced them to buy back dollars to cover short, or selling, positions.

''The market was unable to continue the selloff,'' said First Interstate Bank currency manager Robert White in Los Angeles. ''There was a lack of interest on the market's part'' in unloading the U.S. unit, he added.

''I think the market has been saturated with selling, that's all,'' said John Lyman, a Bank of Tokyo customer dealer in New York.

In late New York dealings, the dollar was traded at 1.5525 German marks, up from 1.5477 Monday, and 137.75 Japanese yen, up from 136.50.

The government said that inflation at the consumer level surged by 0.8 percent in August on oil prices driven higher by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and that the U.S. trade deficit rose an alarming 75 percent in July.

Economists expected to see inflation rise. But they were surprised to see the trade deficit widen to $9.33 billion despite the weak dollar and said it could mean a deeper recession than anticipated was on its way.

Traders disagree as to whether the dollar has found a floor. Some look for it to set more record lows, while others, including First Interstate's White, say foreign investors see bargains at current exchange rates.

''There is a certain amount of (global investment) money that is happy to move into the United States at these levels,'' White said.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2890 Swiss francs, up from 1.2760; 5.1865 French francs, up from 5.1855; and 1,162.25 Italian lire, up from 1,159.

Britain's pound was unchanged at $1.9135.

In Europe, the dollar closed mixed in the wake of the poor U.S. trade figures and expectations of a drop in U.S. interest rates.

''There's nothing going on. We are waiting for the (U.S.) interest rates to come down,'' said Larry Arber, a Warburg Securities dealer.

In London, the pound remained buoyed by high British interest rates, closing at $1.9180 compared with Monday's $1.9025.

The dollar fell in Frankfurt, closing at 1.5470 German marks vs. 1.5536, but was higher in Zurich, at 1.2835 Swiss francs vs. 1.2825.

The dollar fell in Paris and Brussels, to 5.2030 French francs vs. 5.2035 and to 31.85 Belgian francs vs. 31.95. But the U.S. currency was slightly higher in Milan, at 1,162.55 Italian lire vs. 1,161.55.

Earlier in Tokyo, a round of yen-selling pushed the dollar up to a close of 137.68 yen vs. 137 Monday.

''Investors wanted to secure profits before it becomes too late,'' said Kaneo Ogino, a vice-president for Goldman Sachs (Japan) Corp.

Gold closed lower in Zurich, at $387.50 an ounce vs. $389, and in London, at $388 an ounce vs. $390.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $388.25 an ounce, off from $390.25 Monday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $387.60 an ounce, down from $389.40.

For a second straight day, silver was unchanged at $4.80 an ounce in both Zurich and London.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.82 an ounce, up from $4.795. Comex silver finished trading at $4.79 an ounce, ahead from $4.766.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - Top administration and congressional leaders failed Tuesday to break a budget summit deadlock over whether to lower capital gains taxes as part of a $500 billion five-year deficit reduction plan.

House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri and House Republican leader Bob Michel of Illinois told reporters after the hour- long leadership meeting that they had not solved any issues that still divide negotiators, but that both sides reaffirmed a commitment to get a budget deal.

''We didn't talk about specific issues,'' Gephardt, the chairman of the budget summit, said of the meeting, which he called ''productive.'' ''The talks have not collapsed.''

Gephardt said he, Michel, House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine, Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas, White House chief of staff John Sununu, administration budget director Richard Darman and Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady would meet again Wednesday to discuss their remaining differences.

Michel said there was ''a feeling of good faith on both sides'' during the meeting.

The bipartisan talks, which began May 15, had taken place since Sept. 7 in seclusion at Andrews Air Force Base in Washington's suburbs.

But talks reached an impasse late Monday and were suspended. Democrats said that was primarily due to the capital gains issue, which tied up congressional budget decisions for six months last year and may do the same this year.

An angry assistant House Republican leader Newt Gingrich of Georgia, a budget negotiator, told reporters Tuesday that ''very large, fundamental differences on a whole range of fronts,'' not just capital gains, remained before a budget agreement could be reached.

He said comments from Democratic leaders and negotiators that capital gains was the primary problem amounted to ''deliberate disinformation by the Democratic leadership.''

And he called ''absolute baloney'' and an ''outrageous distortion'' reports that Democrats, in the most recent offer to Republicans Monday night, had agreed to virtually every Republican one-year and five-year tax and spending number, although not to specific policies to produce those cuts and tax revenues.

Republicans, led by President Bush, are pushing a reduction in the capital gains tax on the sale of assets, such as stocks and bonds.

At a GOP fund-raising lunch in Denver, Bush said a capital gains cut ''is not a tax break for the rich'' but is a step ''we must take to spur savings, encourage investment, expand jobs ... and increase competitiveness to give this national economy of ours more of what it needs to keep on growing.''

Democrats argue that the tax cut would cost the Treasury $21.5 billion over five years and would primarily benefit wealthy Americans that one budget negotiator called ''the stretch limo set.''

Democratic negotiators have refused to agree to a capital gains cut unless it

is accompanied by higher taxes on the rich who would benefit from the cut.

There was talk on Capitol Hill Tuesday about taking capital gains out of any budget agreement and guaranteeing a separate vote on the measure later. But it was unclear whether that would occur.

''Capital gains is the primary barrier towards getting an agreement,'' said House Budget Committee Chairman Leon Panetta, D-Calif., a negotiator. ''With no give on capital gains, we simply can't pull an agreement together.''

Foley sharply criticized Republicans for continuing to press for a capital gains tax cut without agreeing to an offsetting increase in taxes on the rich.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - A series of hurried sales of failing thrifts in 1988 is likely to cost the government more than $69 billion, according to a report released Tuesday by the Resolution Trust Corp.

The sales, made under the government's ''Southwest Plan,'' have come under congressional criticism recently for being too generous to investors. The 96 transactions, largely in Texas and other Southwest states, involved heavy financial assistance from the former Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corp.

''A preliminary examination suggests a conclusion that must surprise no one: many of the 1988 deals were overly generous and costly to taxpayers,'' said Peter Monroe, president of the RTC oversight board.

''We recognize that, in part, the 1988 deals were driven by FSLIC's lack of liquidation funds,'' Monroe said. ''Fortunately, rights to reduce these costs were built into the transactions.''

L. William Seidman, chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., said many of the deals were made under a year-end deadline for tax purposes and that the FSLIC bargained from a weak position.

''This report implies that if you make deals and you dont have cash and have doubts about your credit, you're going to pay more,'' he said.

The RTC said a significant portion of the costs came from interest expense that could have been avoided if the government spent money now to prepay notes and reduce the amount of assets covered

In a 132-page report reviewing the 1988 thrift sales, the agency said the government could recoup as much as $2 billion of the costs by undertaking a series of measures, including the prepayment of about $11.3 billion in promissory notes in 1991 and a payment of $3.8 billion for the write-down to

market value of assets covered in the deals next year.

The review, which cost $3.5 million, was conducted by five private groups made up of accounting firms, law firms, investment bankers and other consultants.

Seidman said a second report will be presented in November to examine the possibility of voiding or renegotiating some of the 1988 deals. Seidman said government regulators have so far found no grounds to cancel any of the deals.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - Three U.S. Air Force cargo planes will deliver tents, cots and blankets to refugees in Jordan and one will fly home 420 Filipinos, Sri Lankans and Bangladeshis who fled Iraq and Kuwait, the Pentagon said Tuesday.

Two C-5 cargo planes and one C-141 will be involved in the airlift operation, spokesman Pete Williams said.

The first C-5 left Andrews Air Force Base, Md., Saturday with humanitarian relief supplies for Afghanistan. On the return leg from Islamabad, the aircraft transported 1,500 tents and 750 blankets to Amman Tuesday for distribution to the refugees from Iraq and Kuwait.

A second C-5 left Dover Air Force Base, Del., Tuesday for Amman with Defense Department excess cots and 5,000 blankets donated by relief agencies. It is scheduled to arrive in Jordan Thursday. From Jordan, it will proceed to Islamabad and pick up 1,500 more tents and blankets and airlift them to Jordan.

The third aircraft, a C-141, will leave McGuire Air Force Base, N.J., Wednesday to carry cots, tents and plastic garbage bags to Jordan. After unloading its cargo in Jordan, it will fly three missions, transporting about 140 refugees on each mission from Jordan to Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and the Philippines.

Southwest Asians are employed in most of the service jobs in Iraq, Kuwait and other Islamic nations in the Middle East.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 18) UPI - Congress unconstitutionally usurped judicial power by exempting from environmental challenge 1990 logging on threatened spotted owl lands in Oregon and Washington, a federal appeals court ruled Tuesday.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals declared a 1989 congressional rider

attached to an appropriations bill by Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., an unconstitutional violation of separation of powers.

A coalition of environmentalists, led by the Seattle Audubon Society and the Oregon Natural Resources Council Inc., filed suits in Oregon and Washington challenging use of the Hatfield rider to allow timber sales of 7.7 billion board feet of timber in fiscal year 1990.

The Hatfield rider went into effect Oct. 23, 1989, and was part of the ''Northwest Timber Compromise'' that allowed 5.8 billion board feet of timber come from Washington and Oregon.

Congress could have written a valid law allowing the timber cutting by amending or repealing portions of the Endangered Species Act or the National Environmental Protection Act, the decision said.

Todd True, attorney for the Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund in Seattle, said, the decision is a ''major victory'' with effects on several levels.

''The broad implications of the ruling go beyond the environment,'' True said. ''Citizens have the right to enforce the law without Congress slamming the courthouse door. That is what Congress tried to do in these suits.''

True said Congress cannot circumvent the amendment and repeal process when it wants to limit the effects of environmental lawsuits.

The ruling ''also means the spotted owl habitat will have to be managed under the terms of the Endangered Species Act'' and other legislative protections, True said.

Mark Rutzick, attorney for 12 associations representing hundreds of timber companies in the two states, said the ruling would have little effect on the numerous timber sales that have already taken place.

Rutzick said the law affected logging sales in fiscal year 1990, which ends Sept. 30.

He said that in most cases the 15-day period allowed to challenge proposed sales has already passed.

Spotted owls have raised a storm of controversy between loggers and environmentalists hoping to slow logging in the Pacific Northwest.

The owls live in old growth areas and do not reproduce if they are forced out of the area by timber cutting, according to environmental arguments.

The challenged rider, known as section 318, specifically referred to two lawsuits that challenged Forest Service findings that northern spotted owls

had been afforted adequate environmental protection.

With the Hatfield rider, Congress directed the sale of timber in 13 national forest areas to hundreds of timber companies.

Section 318 declared, if the states followed the management requirements set out by Congress, the logging in spotted owl areas would not violate the National Environemtal Protection Act, Endangered Species Act, Federal Land Policy and Management Act, and the Migratory Bird Treaty.

Environmentalists maintained that violated the power of the judiciary to rule on legal questions brought to it.

Judge Harry Pregerson wrote, ''The language of section 318 is clear: Congress not only legislated a forest managment plan ... but also directed the courts to find that that plan satisfied the environmental laws underlying the ongoing litigation.

''In so doing, Congress did not amend or repeal laws, as it unquestionably could do, but rather prescribed a rule for the decision of a cause in a partcular way, without changed the underlying laws, as it unquestionably cannot do.''

Some 18 Oregon counties retain half the proceeds from timber taken on Oregon lands, said Phillip Chadsey, attorney for the counties.

He said Oregon counties receive an estimated $180 million annually from timber sales. Although none of the timber harvest funds are directly affected by the ruling, the future amount of the funds could be affected.

Rutzick said he did not know if the ruling would be appealed by the timber companies.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Tuesday was 444.14, off 0.26 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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FENTON, N.Y. (SEPT. 18) UPI - A jury Tuesday convicted Detroit tavern owner William Reedy of driving with alcohol in his system when he crashed a pickup truck Christmas Day, killing former Yankee baseball manager Billy Martin.

The jury found Reedy guilty of driving with a blood alcohol level of .1 percent or more, a misdemeanor charge, but found him innocent of driving while his ability was impaired. Prosecutor Kevin Guyette said it is possible to have alcohol in the bloodstream and not be impaired.

Fenton Town Court Judge P. Murray Benjamin sentenced Reedy to pay a $350 fine and revoked his New York state driver's license for six months. He will serve no jail time or parole.

According to a coroner's report, Martin, 61, died from a fractured neck and spinal cord compression in the crash just outside his Fenton horse farm.

Reedy, Martin's friend for more than 20 years, sustained a crushed hip, broken ribs and various cuts and bruises in the accident and was hospitalized for several weeks.

Robert Pearl, an attorney for Billy Martin's widow, said he was pleased with the verdict because it identifies Reedy as the driver of the truck, thereby setting the stage for civil suit against Reedy.

Reedy, in tearful testimony last week, insisted Martin was the driver of the car even though police found Martin's crushed body against the passenger door. Reedy said that was because he pulled himself to the driver's side and took initial responsibility for the crash ''to protect Billy.''

Reedy's attorney Jon Blechman said he will appeal the verdict, claiming his client was not the driver.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - The expected plunge in U.S. imports of crude oil stemming from the Persian Gulf crisis has arrived, resulting in a 4.5 million-barrel drop in the nation's crude stocks, the American Petroleum Institute said Tuesday.

For the week ended Sept. 14, the weekly oil-industry survey showed crude oil imports plummeted to a daily rate of 6.0 million barrels from 6.9 million in the previous week and were less than year-ago imports of 6.4 million barrels a day.

As a result, U.S. crude oil inventories fell 4.5 million barrels to 369.8 million from 374.3 million in the prior week but remained well above the year-ago 329.0 million barrels.

Analysts have been waiting for the import drop since the U.N. embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports imposed after four days after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of

Kuwait.

Even though it takes five or six weeks for tankers to arrive from the Persian Gulf, some analysts had expected U.S. imports to decline earlier.

In what may eventually mean some price relief for motorists, gasoline supplies increased 6.9 million barrels last week to 217.0 million from 211.1 million in the prior week and moved close to year-ago levels of 218.6 million barrels.

Stocks of unleaded gasoline, which accounts for 90 percent of the domestic market, also rose to 166.4 million barrels from 163.0 million a week earlier and remained significantly higher than year-ago levels of 157.1 million barrels.

Daily gasoline production edged up to 7.4 million barrels in the latest week from 7.3 million the previous week and was higher than the year-ago daily output of 7.1 million barrels.

Gasoline imports, on a daily basis, increased to 282,000 barrels in the Sept. 14 week from 261,000 a week earlier but were well below year- ago imports of 355,000 barrels.

U.S. refineries operated at 94.0 percent of capacity last week, compared with 93.5 percent a week earlier and 89.8 percent a year ago.

Inventories of distillate - used for home heating oil and diesel fuel - rose to 133.3 million barrels from 131.7 million barrels a week earlier and stayed well above year-ago levels of 121.4 million barrels.

Distillate production remained steady at 3.0 million barrels daily, the same level as in the preceding week and as a year ago.

Daily distillate imports shot up to 394,000 barrels from 242,000 the previous week and were much higher than year-ago imports of 236,000 barrels.

Imports of all refined products edged up to 2.2 million barrels daily from 2.0 million in the preceding week but were less than year-ago imports of 2.3 million barrels.

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - British Prime Minister Thatcher told the Czechoslovakian Parliament today that Eastern European countries should be given full status in the European Community... AFTER they become fully democratic with market economies. Thatcher's stance is widely seen as an attempt to slow E-C unification. The prime minister also apologized for her nation's 1938 pact with Hitler, which paved the way for Germany to invade Czechoslovakia.

With the shuttle Columbia grounded indefinitely, NASA today began focusing on the launch of the spacecraft's sister ship Discovery, tentatively set for October 5th. Discovery and its crew of five will carry a European-built solar probe into space. Although hydrogen leaks created three of Columbia's four launch delays, NASA managers are expected to forego a fueling test for Discovery, confident NO debilitating leaks are present.

Activists turned out in force in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, for today's hearing on a new federal policy aimed at deregulating low-level radioactive material. The policy would remove controls from waste and other materials with low levels of radiation. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission estimates deregulation would add enough radiation to the environment to account for 285 new cancer deaths nationwide each year. Members of the environmental group Greenpeace responded by staging a ''die-in.''

The United Auto Workers' 400-member G-M Council today gave wholehearted approval to a new three-year contract with General Motors. That sets up a ratification vote by 310-thousand workers within about two weeks. U-A-W President Owen Bieber said the pact is ''a win-win situation'' for both the union and G-M. One local president said the contract trades income security for job security.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.30	9.97
Anchor Fund Inv	14.38	15.26
Delaware Mutual	16.78	17.99
Fidelity Fund	16.53	16.53
Investors Mutual	10.80	11.37
Investors Stocks	18.14	19.09
Investors Select	8.23	8.66
IDS Equity Plus	8.91	9.38
Mass Inv Growth	8.16	8.80
Nicholas Fund	3.28	3.28
United Accumulated	6.29	6.87
United Income	16.62	18.16
Vanguard Wellington	15.99	15.99

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 18) UPI - Sara Lee Corp. said Tuesday it has signed an exclusive three-year agreement with the National Collegiate Athletic Association worth at least $6 million to serve as the official corporate sponsor for women's sports.

As part of the deal, the Chicago-based international food and consumer products company will become a major advertiser during broadcasts of women's athletics programs.

The agreement, involving 16 NCAA sanctioned sports, marks the first time a corporation has made a major financial commitment to intercollegiate women's sports, according to the company.

''We believe that this relationship will enhance the visibility of women's athletics, and the programs that will be implemented by Sara Lee will have a positive influence at every NCAA member institution,'' said Dick Schultz, executive director of the NCAA, at a news conference.

''In 1980, fewer than 10,000 women competed in college athletics,'' Schultz said. ''Last year, over 91,500 women competed at the college level. With the help of Sara Lee, I am certain those numbers will skyrocket during the next three years.''

Sara Lee markets a wide variety of brand name products, including Hanes, L'eggs, Hillshire Farm, Ball Park, Jimmy Dean and Sara Lee.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - Turning aside the Bush administration's request for $4.7 billion, the House voted Tuesday to cut the ''Star Wars'' missile defense program even deeper than recommended by the House Armed Services Committee.

The action capped a series of votes seeking to set the spending level for the program, launched by President Ronald Reagan in 1983 to find a way to knock out Soviet nuclear ballistic missiles.

The House voted to set spending on the project at $2.3 billion during action on the $283 billion version of the 1991 defense authorization bill written by the Armed Services Committee.

As approved by the committee, the bill contained $2.9 billion for continued research and development of the Strategic Defense Initiative. The Senate has voted to authorize $3.7 billion.

During debate on the House bill, four admendments were offered to raise or lower that figure.

The first amendment by Rep. Robert Dornan, R-Calif., a strong advocate of the program, would have authorized $4.2 billion. It was rejected on a 338-83 vote.

Dornan argued that the proliferation of ballistic missile technology around the world, including such nations as Iraq, dictates additional research into ways to stop missiles.

Critics of the program, led by Reps. Ron Dellums, D-Calif., and Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., proposed cutting the authorization to $1.5 billion. That amendment failed 286-135.

Rep. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., proposed funding at $3.7 billion, matching the Senate figure, but his amendment was defeated 273-141.

Rep. Charles Bennett, D-Fla., who has successfully argued for deep SDI cuts for four years running, then proposed a $2.3 billion figure and for the fifth time won the issue, this time on a vote of 225-189.

The eventual figure will be developed when House and Senate defense leaders conduct a conference on the two separate bills.

Final passage of the bill is not expected until Wednesday afternoon.

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#90261u2309 09/18/1990 ~United Press International

AMMAN, Jordan (SEPT. 18) UPI - The U.N. envoy overseeing humanitarian aid during the Persian Gulf crisis warned Tuesday that thousands of refugees in Iraq could be in a life-threatening situation unless humanitarian aid reached them.

Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan said a method must by found through relief agencies or foreign embassies to help the estimated hundreds of thousads of refugees standed in and around Baghdad.

''Some way must be found in cooperation with the Iraqi authorities so people don't die,'' Aga Khan told reporters. ''Otherwise when the planes leave, they will be taking back dead bodies.''

Aga Khan, the personal representative of the U.N. secretary-general for humanitarian assistance during the gulf crisis, arrived in Jordan Sunday to assess the situation of refugees fleeing Kuwait and Iraq following the Iraqi invasion.

Aga Khan, who spent Monday and Tuesday touring Jordanian refugee camps, said a total of 500,000 refugees will have passed through the Hashemite kingdom within a few days.

Praising Jordan's efforts to repatriate the refugees, he said about 33,000 remained as of Tuesday morning and would be sent home within two weeks.

Although the situation in Jordan was under control, he warned that events in the gulf could send thousands more pouring into Jordan seeking refuge. He said relief officials were drawing up contingency plans to handle any number of refugees.

''We really do not know at this stage how many people we should expect,'' he said. ''Should there be hostilities, God only knows what it will do to disrupt things. The orderly departures we see taking place will be very chaotic and I'm not sure we could cope.''

He said although information was sketchy it was estimated between 250,000 and 300,000 refuges, mostly Asian workers, were waiting in the Baghdad area to return home.

''Nobody can ignore the suffering of these human beings,'' he said. ''So they must be helped pending departure.''

The U.N. representative said ''it would be much more logical to fly people out of Baghdad'' instead of forcing them to make a long desert journey to Jordan.

He also suggested Iraqi airplanes be chartered to ferry the refugees as was the case with Westerners trapped in Iraq.

The U.N. envoy said he hoped Iraq would reconsider its refusal to allow him to visit Baghdad. He said much more information was needed about the refugee situation in Iraq to hepl them and allow countries like Jordan to prepare for their possible arrival.

He also said allowing free passage of refugees into Turkey and Iran would assist in repatriating them.

He warned that the Gulf crisis which spawned the refugee problem could in turn create serious economic difficulties in the workers' native lands because of the influx of unemployed workers and the cutoff in wages sent from the Gulf.

''For these people it's a broken dream,'' he said. ''All of them tell the same story - they became destitute overnight.''

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - Attempts to mediate between Polish President Wojciech Jaruzelski , Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki and Solidarity leader Lech Walesa are NOT succeeding. The three met today at the invitation of Catholic Cardinal Josef Glemp, but they reached NO agreement on the proper pace of reform.

The Salvadoran government and rebel negotiators concluded their fifth round of

peace talks today in Costa Rica, but announced little progress. The rebels are said to be proposing to hold the next round of talks on nationwide T-V.

U-S consumer prices rose eight-tenths of one percent last month- the sharpest rise since January and double the July increase. The jump is blamed for the most part on increased oil prices caused by the Persian Gulf crisis. .

And higher oil prices had NO good effect on the U-S trade deficit. The deficit increased 75 percent last month to nine-pointBILLION dollars- also the highest figure since January.

The bill's on the table for the 1988 cost of the savings-and-loan bailout. The Resolution Trust Corporation released a report in Washington today, calling the government's hurried thrift sales during 1988 ''overly generous.'' The estimated cost from that year alone BILLION dollars.

Working parents and other child-care advocates refuse to be put on the back burner by the budget and Persian Gulf crises. They told Congress today there was ''NO excuse'' for the House and Senate NOT meeting to reconcile their competing child-care bills.

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COLUMBIA, S.C. (SEPT. 18) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis has no diplomatic solution and war between Iraq and the United States seems unavoidable, a former U.S. ambassador to Saudi Arabia said Tuesday.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has been backed into a corner and there is no way for him to save face except to fight, said John West, who served as ambassador to Saudi Arabia during the Carter adminstration.

Saddam would rather die fighting, West said in a lecture to a political science class at the University of South Carolina.

The United States must understand that Arab countries play for keeps and Saddam has a lot to lose, West said. If Hussein were to lose the conflict, he would lose big, the former ambassador said.

West recalled previous Arab heads of state who were decapitated or assassinated when they were unsuccessful in coup attempts or in other affairs of state.

President Bush is handling the crisis well by mustering multi- national forces to stand with the United States in defense of Saudi Arabia, West said, but at the same time by drawing a line in the sand and requiring the government of Kuwait restored, he has made it impossible for Saddam to save face.

''I think military action, the stalemate, is bad enough,'' West said. ''But if it gets into military action, Saddam Hussein has said he will level Kuwait City.

''All he would have to do is set a few torches to the (oil) pipeline, and then you'd have the biggest explosion you've ever seen.''

The Iraqi leader has major supplies of nerve gas and has proven he would not hestitate to use them against his enemies or his own people, said West, echoing the view of many experts on the Arab world.

''So if he is desperate, he will cause a lot of damages, a lot of casualities '' West said.

''But I think it is unquestionable that we will defeat him.''

West said that the economic embargo established to sever Iraq from supplies will not work because Iran and Iraq will trade with each other, even when they are at war with each other.

Economic pressure will make things harder for Iraq, West said, but is not an end unto itself.

West also warned that public support of troops in the Middle East will wane and there would be political consquences as well if the conflict were protracted.

''Being in the desert for any length of time is worse than any Vietnam,'' the former South Carolina governor said. ''The longer we are there, we will lose public support.

''Americans will not tolerate a long drawn-out affair. Any president who has dealt with a hostage situation or a long drawn-out affair such as Vietnam, has either been defeated or discredited. And you can draw your own conclusions about what I mean by that.''

Bush does not want to be discredited or defeated during an election year, West said.

West predicted Congress will be forced to rethink its posture on national defense and on closing military bases because of the gulf crisis.

West, a Democrat, was governor of South Carolina from 1970 to 1974 and was appointed by President Jimmy Carter as ambassador to Saudi Arabia in 1977. He is a lawyer in Hilton Head, and a guest lecturer at the university.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 18) UPI - The nation's biotechnology industry is entering a ''new age of realism'' that will result in scaled down expectations and a flurry of mergers and acquisitions in the 1990s, a survey showed Tuesday.

Biotech sales, which increased 25 percent in 1989 to $2.9 billion from a previous year figure of $2.4 billion, were expected to reach $75 billion by the end of the decade - a lofty number but still much lower than earlier optimistic projections.

The 5th annual survey, ''Biotech 91: A Changing Environment,'' by the San Francisco-based Ernst & Young, said therapeutic firms, for example, see sales over the next five years increasing 17 times, compared to a prediction of 34 times only a year ago.

''This sector has scaled back significantly their own expectations for sales '' said G. Steven Burrill, national director of Ernst & Young's Manufacturing/High Technology Industry Services. ''We're in a new age of realism that is apparent in the area of financial expectations where biotech sales have been scaled by half what they were a year ago.''

In contrast to previous years, when biotech companies sought to become vertically-integrated, Burrill said, the newest strategies of small and mid-size companies involves creating products with the goal of forming alliances with larger partners. An example, he said, was Genentech's

''About 61 percent of the industry now says its goal is to build alliances or gain corporate partners,'' Burrill said in a West Coast teleconference interview.

The survey said the industry's future would be marked by:

- increased stratification between top-tier and other companies.

- A greater focus on commercial developments.

- Increased reliance on strategic alliances, especially foreign ones.

- More conservative estimates regarding growth, sales and capital needs.

- Niche rather than vertically-integrated marketing strategies.

''For most biotechnology companies, the expectation of becoming a fully integrated, billion-dollar corporation has been scaled back,'' Burrill said. ''These companies now recognize they cannot go it alone in the 1990s.

''As a result, the competition is heating up to find strong partners who can help biotech companies prepare for continued growth and commercial success.

Nowhere is that reality more evident than in the decision of industry leader, Genentech, to sell a majority stake in the company to pharmaceutical giant Hoffmann-La Roche.''

He said nearly half the chief executive officers who responded to the survey from 422 companies expect to buy out another company in the next five years. Another 39 percent said they would be acquired in that time period and 32 percent said they would merge with another company of equal size.

Kenneth Lee, national director of Ernst and Young's Life Sciences Industry Services, said the survey showed that three-fourths of the CEO's had no preference between selling their companies to foreign or domestic interests.

''Recent foreign acquisitons have had a significant impact on the industry,'' Lee said. ''These acquisitions demonstrate a new method for companies to realize corporate value while meeting the demands for capital and marketing resources.''

While biotech is still an emerging field with significant scientific discoveries expected in the near future, Lee said, there have been some negative developments that has stifled enthusiasm. These include a backlog on patents, slow approval of new products by the EPA and the FDA, the lack of incentive for investors and the absence of a policy for state and federal regulations.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 18) UPI - The City Council urged The Boeing Co. Tuesday to reconsider its $10 million plan to import employees from Seattle to work on the B-2 Stealth bomber program in Palmdale and hire local workers instead.

The council voted 12-0 to ask Boeing to rethink its transfer of 450 workers from Washington to work on temporary assignment at Northrop Corp.'s Palmdale plant.

Last week, Mayor Tom Bradley sent a letter to Boeing Chairman Frank Shrontz, disputing Boeing's assertion that it could not find enough qualified aircraft workers in Southern California.

Councilman Nate Holden, who sponsored the council motion, said hundreds of workers have been laid off recently by aerospace companies and a large pool of qualified employees does exist locally.

Boeing spokesman Tom Koehler said Boeing did make an effort to hire Southern Californians for the B-2 project, holding 11 recruitment sessions in the region and advertising in local newspapers during the past 18 months.

''We agree that the local work force should be utilized to the maximum extent possible,'' Koehler said.

Of 1,800 people from Southern California who applied for the work on the B-2, only 250 ''had the skills we were looking for,'' Koehler said.

Those 250 have already joined the 450 workers from Seattle plus some 150 other Boeing employees who transferred for earlier projects, Koehler said. In all, about 850 workers are assigned to the B-2 project.

Boeing's contract from the federal government to build the B-2 bomber includes $10 million for housing and transportation costs for the necessary workers, including the 450 Seattle-based Boeing employees.

Koehler said once the project is finished, the 450 workers will be re-assigned to projects at Boeing's main plant in Seattle.

''This is not something unusual for the aerospace industry,'' Koehler said. ''You have to determine whether the additional costs of transferring workers offsets the costs of failing to meet productions schedules if you hire workers who don't know the job.''

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(SEPT. 18) UPI - Government auditors report the U-S invasion of Panama cost 163- Million dollars... but the Pentagon expects to recover the full amount from existing budgets. The General Accounting Office said the costs included practice missions... deployment of active and reserve forces... and replacement of military equipment and ammunition.

Firefighters in Michigan sprayed chemical foam today to put out more fires that flared up on a fuel tanker in the Saginaw River. Authorities say it looks like most of the fires are out. An explosion aboard the ship Sunday injured 11 crew members and left a 12th missing and presumed dead. Authorities believe the blast occurred shortly after a larger vessel passed the tanker in possible violation of NO-wake regulations.

Two teen-agers accused of the 1989 ''wilding'' attack of a woman jogger in Central Park made an UNsuccessful bid for separate trials today. Lawyers asked for the trials to be severed because one defendant acknowledges sexual violence took place, while the other says there was NO rape. To counter the rape charge, one defense attorney says he will question the victim in an effort to prove she was sexually active.

Democratic Representative Patricia Schroeder of Colorado wants greater news coverage of a hearing into Neil Bush's role in the failure of the Silverado Savings and Loan. A judge will listen to allegations that Bush, the son of the

president, acted improperly while a board member of the thrift. But the federal Office of Thrift Supervision has banned all audio and video recording equipment from next week's hearing. The collapse is expected to eventually cost taxpayers one-BILLION dollars.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 18) UPI - Insurance broker Corroon & Black Corp. said Tuesday that its board voted to reject a purchase offer from insurance group Aon Corp. in favor of pursuing a planned merger with Willis Faber PLC.

Aon last week made an unsolicited offer of $40 a share - or $840 million - in a bid to upstage London-based insurance broker Willis Faber, which had already obtained Corroon's approval for a merger at a per-share price of $33.49.

A Corroon statement said its board voted unanimously to spurn Aon's offer and reaffirmed the planned accord with Willis Faber.

''The Willis Corroon merger offers Corroon & Black shareholders a stake in one of the world's four largest insurance brokerage concerns,'' the statement quoted Corroon Chairman Richard Miller as saying.

Miller said Willis Corroon, the product of the merger, ''will have the international presence required to be an effective competitor in today's globalized industrial and financial markets.''

He said the merger ''has become the centerpiece of our longstanding plans to internationalize our operations.''

Under the agreement, Corroon holders will receive 7.8 shares of Willis Faber stock for each share of Corroon.

Patrick Ryan, chairman of Chicago-based Aon, made the acquisition bid in a letter delivered to Corroon & Black Sept. 12, just two weeks before shareholders of Corroon and Willis were to meet to approve the merger.

In that letter, Ryan pledged that Aon would not pursue the acquisition if it were opposed by the Corroon board. Corroon said Tuesday it ''wishes to consider the matter closed and proceed with the merger with Willis Faber.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 18) UPI - A confirmation hearing for Supreme Court nominee David Souter degenerated Tuesday into a name-calling session among Republican senators and several prominent feminists testifying against the nomination.

The unusually rancorous exchange came 8 1/2 hours into a session where supporters and opponents of Souter testified before the 14-member Senate Judiciary Committee, which considers the nomination before the full Senate votes on confirmation.

The six women, including some of the nation's most well-known leaders of women's groups, accused the senators of sexism and seeking to mute their opposition to Souter, who they claimed will become the swing vote toward overturning the 1973 Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion.

Sen. Alan Simpson, R-Wyo., at one point rebuked the women for ''casting a glance and a shrug (saying), 'Who are these boobs and why didn't they listen to me?'''

Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., earlier addressed the witnesses, saying, ''We have a group of lovely ladies here. Thank you for your presence. I have no questions.''

Also, Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., engaged in a heated debate with Elizabeth Holtzman, New York City's comptroller and a former representative from the state, about a Souter ruling on a 1988 case in which the New Hampshire jurist reversed a rape conviction, saying evidence about sexually provocative behavior prior to the assault should have been allowed into the trial.

''They were lecturing us like school girls,'' Eleanor Smeal, president of the Fund for the Feminist Majority, told reporters after the incident. ''We were powerless. They would not stop talking so that we could answer the questions. Of course we don't want to be talked down to and to be talked (to) about our looks, that we're lovely young ladies. It's insulting.''

''I can't tell you how strongly we felt that no man would have been treated as we were before the Senate Judiciary Committee,'' Smeal added.

''He was spanking me,'' Molly Yard, president of the National Organization for Women, said of Simpson.

Also sitting on the panel was Norma McCorvey, the woman known as Jane Roe, whose case led to the Roe vs. Wade decision.

''I don't think all men are evil,'' said Kate Michelman, executive director of the National Abortion Rights Action League, who was not a member of the panel but testified earlier in the hearing. ''But that display in there, I think, is evidence of how little understanding there is at what's at stake here.''

The exchange followed emotional pleas to the committee to reject the nomination of Souter, a New Hampshire federal appeals court judge.

Souter supporters testified that predictions on how he would decide such key issues as abortion are premature because the nominee, as the head of the New Hampshire Bar Association testified, ''simply does not prejudge cases.''

The women's groups and pro-choice groups criticized Souter's refusal to reveal his personal views on abortion and his refusal to state publicly his belief in a woman's ''fundamental right'' to abortion, but did not attack the nominee's judicial competence.

The Supreme Court's landmark Roe vs. Wade ruling guaranteed a woman's right to an abortion. However, the high court has chipped away at the ruling in recent years, particularly in upholding a Missouri law placing severe restrictions on abortion, and is seen as just one vote from overturning Roe vs. Wade.

''I hope you can live with your conscience because the burden's on you,'' Smeal told the senators. ''We will hold you accountable.''

''We are not wrong,'' Yard testified. ''(Souter) will be the fifth vote to overturn Roe vs. Wade.''

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ST. JOSEPH, MO. (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of St. Joseph Light & Power Co. Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share on all shares of company's common stock as may be outstanding and of record at close of business Nov. 2, 1990.

This dividend is payable Nov. 19, 1990 to holders of record of said stock Nov. 2, 1990.

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DAYTON, OHIO (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Leo W. Ladehoff, chairman and chief executive officer of Amcast Industrial Corp. (NYSE:AIZ), said Wednesday that the company will make a special provision estimated at $16.5 million, or $2.43 per share, in its 1990 fourth quarter.

The results for fiscal 1990 ended Aug. 31, including the provision, will be released in mid-October.

Detailing the provision, Ladehoff said, ''A significant portion is associated with the large iron foundries we closed several years ago. Sharply higher health care and workers compensation costs for retirees and former employees

have exceeded estimates and continue to rise. In fact, an August ruling by the Ohio Supreme Court will increase certain future benefit costs of former employees by almost $2 million.

''We must have reserves for these escalating costs, as well as for environmental and legal liabilities, in order to properly reflect the future earnings capability of the company.

''The provision also recognizes a reduction in the value of certain intangible assets and equipment of several acquired companies caused by changing market and competitive conditions. By lowering the investment in these businesses, we will have more flexibility to pursue alternatives for improving returns or, if unsuccessful, disposition of these businesses.'' He said that these actions leave the company in sound financial condition.

Turning to current business conditions, Ladehoff said that, with the country leaning toward recession, three of Amcast's primary markets -- automotive, aerospace/aviation and construction -- are under compression, thus the company has launched an aggressive program to improve short-term profitability.

Consistent with this activity, Ladehoff said that, effective Sept. 20, he had been elected to the additional post of president and will reassume that office in addition to his current responsibility, replacing Raymond J. Birkholz who is leaving Amcast.

Amcast Industrial Corp. is a manufacturer of technology-intensive metal products. Its two primary businesses are proprietary FLOW CONTROL PRODUCTS marketed through national distribution channels, and ENGINEERED COMPONENTS for original equipment manufacturers. The company serves four major sectors of the economy: aerospace/aviation/defense, construction, automotive and general industry.

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ANTELOPE VALLEY, CALIF. (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Harris' Department Stores continues its expansion with the opening of its second store this year.

Located in the Antelope Valley Mall, this store brings Harris' total to eight and is the company's second store located outside the Inland Empire area.

The Harris Co. opened a store in the East Hills Mall in Bakersfield in April 1990. The Bakersfield store was created as the architectural prototype for future Harris' stores. The Antelope Valley store is designed around this new style with beautiful Italian granite and tile both inside and out and a more

intimate ''boutique'' atmosphere in each area of the store.

Harris' brings exciting fashions, style and a new shopping ambience to the Antelope Valley as one of the four anchor stores of this new regional mall. To date, the 115,000-square-foot store is Harris' largest single-level location. With its apparel lines of many leading designers for women, men and children, Harris' offers fashion flair for eveyone's enjoyment.

''We know this new mall will bring customers the shopping convenience they've been waiting for and Harris' strives to offer fashion and home furnishings that are both contemporary and classic,'' said Jorge Pont, president and chief executive officer, Harris'. ''We want our customers in the Antelope Valley to rely on Harris' for the best selection and service -- we feel these are the keys to our success and we are committed to meeting our customers' needs.''

In addition to its cosmetic and fragrance offerings, Harris' has two full-treatment facial salons to pamper and rejuvenate customers: Lancome's Institut de Beaute and Adrien Arpel.

Harris' is staffed by more than 150 sales and management personnel. General Manager Judy Wolyn is an Antelope Valley resident and previously was general manager of Harris' Hemet and Victorville stores.

Founded in 1905 by Herman, Phillip and Arthur Harris in San Bernardino, Calif. The Harris Co. was originally a dry goods store. Harris' parent company, El Corte Ingles, the largest retailer in Spain, acquired Harris' in 1981.

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SANTA CRUZ, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - TGV Inc. is shipping MultiNet V2.2.

Already considered the fastest TCP/IP implementation for DEC's VAX/VMS, MultiNet V2.2 increases throughput speed with lower resource consumption. Percentage improvement ranges from 25 percent to 145 percent depending on loads and environment. Memory usage is reduced 30 percent to 50 percent.

New performance improving features include:

-- Enhanced Ethernet Driver copies a network packet into memory once and thereafter references the packet with a pointer. This enhancement reduces the number of data copies which requires fewer CPU cycles and enables more packets per cycle.

-- New device driver scheme loads only those drivers for attached devices into memory instead of the drivers for all devices provided with MultiNet V2.2. This dynamic loading of drivers into the network kernel reduces overall memory requirements and allows for larger network configurations.

-- 'Van Jacobson Header Compression' in SLIP (Serial Line IP) saves each type of packet header information as a template with identifiers. When a network packet is sent over asynchronous serial lines, the header information is compressed to its identifiers, sent, and then decompressed once received.

MultiNet V2.2 is available now directly from TGV Inc. Compatible with VMS 4.5 and later, prices range from $1,200 to $24,000 depending on the hardware configuration.

Based in Santa Cruz, TGV Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and supports standards-based networking and application software for Digital Equipment Corp. VAX/VMS computers. TGV Inc. is located at 603 Mission Street, Santa Cruz, 95060. Telephone: 1-800/TGV-3440.

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SANTA CRUZ, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - TGV Inc.'s latest MultiNet release, version 2.2, adds several new features and capabilities that give VAX/VMS users even greater benefits than previous releases.

SMTP (Simple Mail Transfer Protocol) now supports mail aliases and mailing lists as well as simple Email gateway functionality.

Reverse ARP (RARP) protocol provides diskless workstation booting.

RCP (Remote Copy) is an additional utility provided to copy files to and from UNIX systems.

Local Time Zone enables users to specify local time from the over 30 time zones built-in to MultiNet V2.2 or specify another time zone. MultiNet V2.2 automatically converts between Greenwich Mean Time and local time. This is a particularly valuable service for international communication.

Drivers for shared Proteon proNET-10 and proNET-80 interfaces enable users to participate in Proteon's Token-Ring networks.

MultiNet's NFS Client and NFS Server V2.2 products now support 'per host' UID/GID (User Identifier/Group Identifier) mappings. This allows hosts running the MultiNet V2.2 NFS products to support access to and from hosts

that have different UID/GID assignments.

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Prices for MutliNet's NFS Client and NFS Server V2.2 range from $400 to $1,200.

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PORTLAND, OR (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Computerized Thermal Imaging Inc. (OTC:CTI; Bulletin Board:3COII)(CTI), a technology leader in medical diagnostic computerized thermal imaging, Tuesday announced an agreement with Chicago-area-based American Sales Associates Inc., a national organization specializing in medical and hospital sales.

American Sales Associates Inc.'s combined individuals' sales to the medical-hospital market in 1989 exceeded $200 million, with a sales presence in all major U.S. hospital systems.

CTI's affiliation with American Sales Associates Inc. encompasses not only sales but market development, account management, product penetration and monitoring equipment usage.

Computerized Thermal Imaging is a non-invasive, harmless technique using the body's own infrared energy like a road map to detect abnormalities in human physiology. By 1992 CTI units are anticipated in substantially all hospitals and clinics, as well as used by two percent of all hospital-related physicians. CTI's technological innovations have been achieved through exclusive agreements with other industry leaders and the State University of New York, Buffalo.

CTI is headquartered near Portland, Ore.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Businessland Inc. (NYSE:BLI) Wednesday announced a comprehensive four-point program to significantly reduce annual operating expenses in all segments of its business.

1. Merge ComputerCraft retail operations into Businessland to reduce management and facilities costs and gain economies in marketing to small businesses.

2. Reduce worldwide staffing by 10 percent.

3. Reduce worldwide inventories by $50 million.

4. Eliminate a layer of management from the field sales organization with the appointment of Michael J. Poehner as senior vice president, sales and marketing.

ComputerCraft, the retail subsidiary of Businessland, which operates primarily in Texas and Northern California, will be merged into mainstream Businessland operations.

The ComputerCraft headquarters in Houston has already moved to the Businessland corporate offices in San Jose to take advantage of Businessland systems and economies of scale. As a result, Businessland will develop additional marketing programs targeted to small- and medium-sized businesses.

Worldwide staffing levels are being reduced by 10 percent. The company has made necessary cuts to reduce expenses while maintaining its levels of distribution, integration, service and support.

The company has a program in place to reduce worldwide inventories by $50 million. A multimillion dollar investment made late last year in inventory management software will help to achieve these goals.

Michael J. Poehner has been promoted to the position of senior vice president, sales and marketing from Eastern region vice president where he consistenly delivered profitability for Businessland. Poehner has an exceptional track record during his career.

With the appointment of Michael Poehner as senior vice president, sales and marketing, Businessland eliminated a layer of field management and brought the corporate organization closer to the customer.

This follows steps taken by the company in July that gave additional decision-making power to the area directors to promote increased flexibility and responsiveness to their customers. The area directors now report to Poehner.

Founded in 1982, Businessland Inc. is an international leader in the distribution, integration and support of microcomputer and workstation systems for business. The company integrates products from selected manufacturers to create systems tailored to specific customer needs and provides the high-level service and support to maximize their productivity.

Businessland operates centers and branch offices in 50 major U.S. metropolitan areas, five metropolitan markets in Great Britain, three in West Germany, five in Canada and one in Japan. Businessland reported sales of $1.35 billion in fiscal 1990.

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TORONTO (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Health Care Products Inc. (TSE:HCP.A, NASDAQ:HCPFC) is pleased to announce that the majority of the company's debt has now been eliminated under an agreement with its merchant bankers, Osaka Financial Corp.

In consideration of the sum of $498,000 advanced by Osaka, the company has issued to Osaka, by way of private placement, 873,684 Class A subordinate voting shares (at a price of 57 cents per share) and a non-transferable warrant entitling Osaka to purchase up to an additional 600,000 Class A shares until May 31, 1993 at prices ranging from $1.05 per share to $3.25 per share.

The company's debt position has now been reduced from $1.5 million (at the end of 1989) to approximately $80,000 in current payables. Together with one long term debt to Osaka of approximately $125,000 (representing additional funds advanced to the company by Osaka).

Under its loan arrangements with Osaka, Health Care is obligated to pay interest at the rate of one percent per annum, simple interest, with the loan maturing January 1993.

As a result of such improvements to the company's financial position, it may now more actively pursue the marketing of its infection control products world-wide and use its on-hand inventory, receivables and other assets to achieve these objectives.

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MENLO PARK, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Elliott Grossbard, M.D., former Director of Clinical Research at Genentech, has joined Matrix Pharmaceutical in the newly created position of vice president of Regulatory and Clinical Affairs.

Matrix Pharmaceutical is a biomedical company focusing on targeted drug delivery systems for cancer and hyperproliferative diseases.

Dr. Grossbard, age 42, joined Genentech in 1982. His primary role was to oversee clinical development of the company's blood clot dissolving drug, Activase (tissue plasminogen activator or TPA), from the inception of human studies through regulatory approval for the treatment of heart attacks (1987) and pulmonary embolism (1990).

From 1983-84, he also served as an Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine at Stanford University. Prior to joining Genentech, Dr. Grossbard held the position of Senior Research Physician at Hoffmann-La Roche.

Previously, as a practicing physician, he served as a visiting attending physician at Harlem Hospital in New York; Assistant Director of the Marrow Transplant Unit and an attending physician at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, and Assistant Professor of Medicine at Cornell University Medical Center.

Dr. Grossbard has published widely in scientific and medical journals. He also has been a guest speaker at numerous symposiums and medical journals. He received his M.D. from Columbia University and later earned an M.S. in Law from Yale University School of Law.

Current clinical studies involve products based on the company's Therapeutic Implant drug delivery system, which concentrates the impact of potent chemotherapeutic drugs and biologicals at the site of diseased tissues. This patented technology is designed to minimize the effect of therapy on the rest of the body and potentially allow high enough dosage levels to overcome drug resistance.

Among the objectives: to increase the effectiveness of treatment for chronic conditions that do not respond well to current therapies; to treat and spare diseased organs and other critical tissues that might otherwise be removed surgically; to reduce treatment side effects; and to broaden clinical indications for potent drug therapies.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Litton's Guidance & Control Systems division, Woodland Hills, has been awarded a $12.3 million contract by the U.S. Air Force to produce 143 more velocity-sensing devices called accelerometers for the guidance systems of Peacekeeper (MX) missiles.

With this contract, Litton is now the prime source for production of the devices, replacing Honeywell's Space and Strategic Avionics division. Litton had previously produced 45 units as the second-source manufacturer.

''Winning this award is a big step toward becoming a major inertial guidance supplier for strategic systems, as we are now for tactical systems,'' said Darwin Beckel, vice president of program management for the Litton division.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Terry J. Zippwald has been promoted to first vice president of Eldorado Bank.

He continues as manager of the bank's Newport Beach office.

Zippwald has 20 years of banking experience. He joined Eldorado Bank in 1988 from Barclays Bank, where he was vice president/manager of its Irvine Industrial Center office. Prior to Barclays Bank, he worked for Bank of America for about 11 years.

A native Californian, Zippwald received his bachelor of arts degree in business administration from Chapman College. He has completed work toward his his master of business administration degree in banking from Golden Gate University and has completed the Stanford Bank Management courses.

Commenting on the promotion, Allan Gibson, senior vice president, said: ''Terry Zippwald has made a substantial contribution to the growth and profitability of Eldorado Bank's Newport Beach office since assuming its leadership in 1988. His professionalism, leadership and dedication to providing the best possible service to customers are primary factors in that office's continued growth.''

Zippwald resides in Santa Ana with his wife and two children. He is actively involved in many community activities including the Sunrise Exchange Club and Orange County Red Cross.

Eldorado Bank, with total assets of about $300 million, operates through nine locations in Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of Eldorado Bancorp (ASE:ELB).

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Tenneco Inc. Wednesday announced the approval of a major capital project to further expand production capacity at its Tenneco Minerals Co. division Green River, Wyo., trona mine and soda ash plant.

The project will add facilities to process an additional one million tons of trona ore per year into calcined trona, with the ability to increase the processing rate to 1.5 million tons per year in the future.

Calcined trona is a feedstock used to make products including soda ash, sodium sulfite, caustic soda and other sodium chemicals. If all the production of the expanded capacity were used to produce caustic soda, the project would provide enough feedstock for 750,000 tons of the product per year, or about six percent of U.S. industry demand. The unusually high quality of this trona ore further enhances this project.

The opportunity for this expansion is the result of the declining use of chlorine in pulp bleaching and other chlorine end uses while caustic soda demand continues to grow. Currently, more than 98 percent of all caustic soda is produced by the electrolysis of salt brine which yields a nearly equal amount of chlorine.

David R. Delling, president of Tenneco Minerals Co., also reported that three other company projects have been completed or are progressing on schedule, including:

-- Completion of the company's second stage debottlenecking of soda ash capacity at the Green River plant last month, bringing current capacity of refined soda ash to 1.25 million tons per year.

-- Engineering planning and development for the Asahi Glass Co. joint venture announced earlier this year, which will expand refined soda ash production by 600,000 tons per year, is ongoing with plant completion set for mid-1992.

-- And, construction on another new project, which will produce 75,000 tons per year of caustic soda and 50,000 tons per year of sodium sulfite at the Green River plant, is now approximately 40 percent complete with facilities expected to come on stream at the end of the first quarter of 1991.

Tenneco Minerals Co., a unit of Houston-based Tenneco Inc., is headquartered in Lakewood, Colo.

Tenneco Inc. is a diversified industrial corporation with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, shipbuilding, automotive parts, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

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CROWLEY, TX (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Aztec Manufacturing Co. reported Wednesday unaudited sales for the quarter ending Aug. 31, 1990, of $5,777,000 and unaudited net income of $455,000, or 9 cents per share, compared to sales of $4,594,000 and a net income of $324,000, or 6 cents per share, for the same quarter in 1989.

Unaudited sales for the six-month period ending Aug. 31, 1990, were $11,136,000 and unaudited net income of $1,034,000, or 20 cents per share, compared to sales of $9,130,000 and a net income of $889,000, or 17 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

The board of directors voted a quarterly cash dividend of two and one-half cents per share, payable Oct. 19, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 5, 1990.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - W. Talbot Daley will join Sutro & Co. as senior vice president, director of investment research announced Jack Luikart, the firm's president.

The appointment becomes effective on Oct. 1.

''Tal's background provides a unique combination of analytical, trading,

administrative and retail broker expertise. We think the match is ideal and we are delighted he has agreed to come on board,'' stated Luikart.

Daley, 36, comes to Sutro & Co. from Legg Mason Wood Walker Inc. in Baltimore, Md. where he held the post of director of equity marketing. In this capacity, he was a member of the investment policy committee and the marketing committee served as the research department staff manager, and was responsible for providing economic, equity and market information to the firm's retail system.

Daley began his investment career with Legg Mason in 1983 as a broker, was promoted to assistant branch manager one year later, and was appointed director of equity marketing in May 1987.

From 1979 to 1983, Daley was associated with Dun and Bradstreet Financial Services as a district manager. He previously worked as a sales manager with two Johnson & Johnson divisions, baby products and Jansen Pharmaceutical.

Daley received a B.A. form Susquehannan University in history with an economics minor.

A current resident of Maryland, Daley, his wife, Janet and two children will relocate to the Bay Area.

Sutro & Co.'s Research Department concentrates on the industries and mid-sized companies of the West, which are often underfollowed by the rest of Wall Street. Industries covered include, biotechnology, consumer products and services, specialty retailing, financial services, leisure time, technology, and special situations.

This proprietary research is supplemented by Sutro & Co.'s National Research Correspondent, which supplies top-ranked analysis on large, national and international companies. In addition, Tucker Anthony, a Boston-based investment firm and fellow member of the John Hancock Family of companies, provides highly respected regional research on industries and companies located on the eastern seaboard.

''Sutro & Co.'s investment research will continue to reflect our regional focus. Tal will serve on the firm's Investment Policy Committee and will also be working closely with some of our other departments, such as Trading, Syndicate, and Corporate Finance,'' Luikart added.

Sutro & Co. Inc., founded in 1858, is the longest-established investment firm in the West. It is a wholly-owned subsidiary of John Hancock Freedom Securities. The firm is engaged in securities brokerage and investment banking as well as a full range of financial services focused on individuals and institutional investment firms nationwide.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - An exclusive crop of what experts consider the world's finest coffee beans will make its North American brewing debut in Seattle.

Starbucks Coffee Co. President and Chief Executive Officer Howard Schultz announced Wednesday the Seattle-based coffee company has purchased the entire crop of Colombia's finest coffee beans.

Previously available only in Western Europe, the Colombia Narino Supremo coffee beans have been shipped to the Northwest after a painstaking 4,000 mile year-long odyssey by Starbucks' officials. The entire 1990 crop was purchased by Starbucks.

''The Colombians wanted this coffee to go to people who could appreciate it,'' Schultz said. ''Starbucks' coffee drinkers are known worldwide as discerning customers. They will appreciate and deserve the high quality of Narino Supremo.''

Schultz said Starbucks Vice President for Commodities Dave Olsen spent the better part of a year negotiating for the crop.

''With Starbucks' unique combination of concern for quality and increasing demand, we were willing and able to do what few -- if any -- roasters could do; we purchased an entire crop of the world's finest coffee in quantity,'' Olsen said. ''We look forward to a long-term relationship with the Narino Supremo growers and expect to purchase future crops.''

Colombia Narino Supremo is an intensely aromatic and full-bodied coffee. It is grown in perfect conditions: at an altitude of 6,200 feet in the Andes Mountains of South America where days are warm, not hot and evenings cool, not cold.

The coffee's name reflects its origin; Narino for the region where the beans are grown, Supremo for the highest grade of bean.

Schultz said the first roasting of the beans is currently under way in Starbucks' exclusive Seattle roasting facility. It will be available in whole bean form in all Starbucks stores and through mail-order.

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ANAHEIM, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Carl's Jr. is serving more than charbroiled hamburgers these days.

The company is serving more employees and eligible family members a college education through its recently expanded Carl's Jr. Pre-paid Educational Assistance Program.

Carl's Jr. has added 36 participating restaurants in central California: Arroyo Grande, Atascadero, Bakersfield, Buttonwillow, Clovis, Fresno, Hanford, Kettleman City, Lompoc, Madera, Merced, Paso Robles, San Luis Obispo, Santa Maria, Selma, Turlock and Visalia. They have also added six selected restaurants in Clayton, Cupertino, San Ramon, Santa Clara and Santa Rosa to the pilot program.

As a chain, Carl's Jr. is among the first major corporations in the restaurant industry to endorse and test a pre-paid educational benefit. In August 1989 the program was introduced in nine Orange County Carl's Jr. restaurants, expanding the following January to six additional restaurants near Los Angeles and Fresno. Currently 57 restaurants are participating in the program.

''The management of Carl's Jr. has been enthusiastic about this program since its inception,'' Vice President of Human Resources John Kubas said. ''We are expanding our pilot program to encourage employee participation on a larger scale,'' he said.

The educational assistance program is designed to pre-pay all or part of the fees for an accredited college or a state-approved school. The hours worked weekly determine the amount of benefits provided. Employees working 10-15 hours receive up to $180, those working 16-25 hours receive up to $280 and those working 26 hours or more receive up to $405.

A book allowance of $30 per course and $25 travel allowance is paid per term regardless of the number of hours worked. The benefit is paid as many as three times annually.

Unlike other companies, Carl's Jr. pre-pays fees, so a lack of money doesn't have to be a barrier to higher education. An employee can use his or her benefit personally or can transfer the benefit to an eligible family member.

Brothers can pass the benefit to sisters (or vice versa), mothers and fathers can pass the benefit to children, grandparents can pass to children or grandchildren and husbands can pass to wives (or vice versa).

Before Carl's Jr. decides to introduce the program in all company- owned restaurants, Dr. Sal D. Rinella of California State University, Fullerton, will research and evaluate the results to see if the pre-paid education incentives reduce employee turnover, attract applicants, maintain high employee morale and raise productivity.

A total of 556 Carl's Jr. restaurants are located in California, Arizona, Nevada, Oregon and Japan. Carl Karcher Enterprises (NASDAQ:CARL), which owns, operates, franchises or licenses the Carl's Jr. concept, is the parent company of Carl's Jr. restaurants.

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FREMONT, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Power Spectra Inc. (OTC:PWSP) announced the resignation of President and Chief Executive Officer Donald C. Wright.

John Hewitt, Jr., chairman of the board of Power Spectra is acting as chief executive officer.

Power Spectra is engaged in the development of semiconductor switching devices and high voltage pulse generators for commercial and military applications.

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Sandra Chroman, 415/490-6961

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SAN FERNANDO, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - SFE Technologies (NASDAQ:SFEM) Wednesday reported that Michael Rosenberg, president, has resigned from the board of directors.

Rosenberg stated in his letter of resignation that he is approaching several investor groups with a proposal to purchase the San Fernando Electric Division of SFE Technologies. Rosenberg did not want his position on the board of directors of SFE Technologies to be perceived as a conflict of interest in any negotiations that may result and therefore felt that his resignation would be

prudent.

Rosenberg retains his position as president and chief operating officer of SFE Technologies.

Previously, Donald Rubendall resigned from the SFE board due to health reasons and Donald Butler resigned due to time pressures. The board of directors voted to amend the company's by-laws to provide for a board of four directors.

William Kuehn, chairman, stated that he wished Rosenberg well in his efforts to arrange a purchase of the San Fernando Electric division and advised that the company would continue in its efforts for financial restructuring and sale of certain operations.

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PALO ALTO, CALIF. (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - For the first time, business teams can use the power of Xerox Corp.'s workgroup computing applications on UNIX, OS/2 and DOS industry-standard desktop computers. This capability is now available with the new Xerox GlobalView network computing environment, the company announced Wednesday.

The Xerox announcement, made at the Xerox Palo Alto Research Center (PARC), includes the introduction of two major hardware products and one workgroup software package: the Xerox 6520 workstation, based on SPAR/UNIX technology from Sun Microsystems Inc.; GlobalView-for-the-PC, a coprocessor board that turn DOS and OS/2 personal computers into multitasking, networked workstations; and a sophisticated new workgroup software product called DocuTeam, which represents one of the first network-based products designed to integrate individual users into productive business teams.

The two new hardware products, part of a strategic move by Xerox to make its workgroup software usable on industry-standard desktop computers, have the potential to link over 30 million installed desktop computers into enterprise-wide environments.

Xerox GlobalView is a networked desktop environment that integrates functions previously available only as isolated features. The purpose of GlobalView is to improve white-collar productivity by making computers easy to use and interconnected so that individuals in the same office or in locations around the world can work together.

GlobalView is specifically designed to help business teams collaborate across computer networks, providing the foundation for a broad range of applications

including integrating text, graphics and data into compound documents; managing projects and teamwork; accessing and sharing documents across networks; and supporting enterprise-wide communications.

Applications built upon GlobalView also support more than 100 foreign languages and dialects, rich graphics capabilities and transparent access to corporate data on host or departmental computers.

Through the Xerox icon-based graphical user interface (GUI), GlobalView makes it easy for non-technical professionals to perform complex tasks that would normally require the expertise of a management information systems (MIS) professional. Applications running under GlobalView share the same consistent GUI, and users benefit from the high degree of integration that it provides.

For customer information contact Xerox at 1-800/835-9013.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - MagneTek Inc. (NYSE:MAG), a leading U.S.-based electrical equipment manufacturer, Wednesday announced that it has signed an agreement for the manufacture of fluorescent lighting ballasts with Goldstar Instrument and Electric Co. Ltd., a unit of Lucky Goldstar, Seoul, Korea.

Under terms of the agreement, Goldstar will manufacture in Korea under license MagneTek's Triad brand electronic ballasts to supplement domestic production and for sale in markets in the Far East and Pacific Rim. Ballasts are transformers that regulate the operation of fluorescent lamps.

MagneTek is the largest U.S. manufacturer of electronic lighting ballasts, which reduce electricity consumption up to 40 percent when used with energy-saving fluorescent lamps. The MagneTek-Goldstar agreement also contemplates strategic cooperation on sales of such other MagneTek lighting products as high-intensity-discharge lighting ballasts, sign ballasts and neon transformers.

According to MagneTek President and Chief Executive Officer Frank Perna Jr., the agreement gives MagneTek added production capacity to meet rapidly growing demand for energy-efficient ballasts, both in the United States and abroad. U.S. law calls for adoption of energy-saving ballasts in 80 percent of all fluorescent lighting applications.

Approximately 1.6 billion conventional ballasts currently in use in the United

States are expected to be replaced with energy-efficient types over the next decade, a process which is beingaccelerated by utility rebate programs, Perna noted.

''Our strategic alliance with Goldstar also gives MagneTek access to well-established, worldwide marketing channels for both our standard and energy-saving lighting products,'' Perna added.

With headquarters in Los Angeles, MagneTek provides a wide range of Energy Engineered electrical equipment and services to utilities and industrial customers. The company operates 50 manufacturing and service facilities throughout North America and overseas, and employs some 15,000 associates. MagneTek reported sales of $1.1 billion for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

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DENVER (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Bayly Corp. announced Wednesday that Everett G. Warren, president of Bayly, has assumed the additional position of chief executive officer.

George K. Hansen remains as chairman of the board of Bayly. This change is pursuant to the realignment of executive responsibilities begun Feb. 1, 1990 when Warren was brought into Bayly as president and chief operating officer.

Headquartered in Denver, Bayly Corp. (NASDAQ:BAYL) designs, manufactures and sells young men's walkshorts under license from Ocean Pacific (Op) Sunwear Ltd., men's and boys' sportswear under the nationally known brand name of O'Neill; men's and boys' swimwear, walkshorts and pants under the brand name Morey Boogie Bodywear, as well as private-label apparel.

Bayly's customers include major department and specialty stores for its branded products and mass merchandisers and other retailers for its private-label apparel.

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WOODBURY, NY (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Research Frontiers Inc. (NASDAQ:REFR and BSE:RFR) announced today that its Rights Offering has been extended until 5:00 p.m., Oct. 15.

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LA JOLLA, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Precision Aerotech Inc. (ASE:PAR) Wednesday announced a 1 percent increase in sales to $16,967,000 for the three months ended July 31, compared with sales of $16,759,000 for the like period a year ago.

The company reported a loss from continuing operations of $731,000, or 23 cents per share, for the three months ended July 31, 1990, compared with income of $144,000, or 2 cents per share, for the like period a year ago.

Sales increased at the Speedring Inc., Speedring Systems Inc. and Coast Aerotech Inc. (''Coast'') subsidiaries. The planned restructuring and downsizing at Aero Technologies Inc. (''Aero'') resulted in lower sales compared with the like period a year ago. Sales at the L&S Aerotech Inc. subsidiary were also below the like period a year ago, consistent with current year plans.

Manufacturing margins for the three months ended July 31, 1990, exceeded plan and those reported for the like period a year ago at all subsidiaries except Aero and Coast. However, Aero's margins surpassed current year plans and actual results reported for the full 12 months of the prior year. The consolidated loss for the three months ended July 31, 1990, is attributable to Coast.

Concerns regarding backlog profitability at Coast continue to receive intense subsidiary and corporate management involvement and action.

Backlog of unfilled orders at July 31, 1990, was $68.1 million, which is comparable with that at April 30, 1990.

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Adding to its line of memory-expansion products for Compaq personal computers, AMKLY Systems Inc. Wednesday announced the first 4-megabyte board for the popular LTE/286 laptop PC.

The AMpac-40LTE286, with a $1495 suggested list price, is now shipping and available through computer dealers serving the Compaq market.

AMKLY earlier introduced 1MB ($595) and 2MB ($995) memory-expansion configurations for Compaq LTE/286 users looking for additional memory at a lower cost than comparable products, including Compaqs.

All three products are sold with a standard five-year warranty and include complete installation and user documentation.

AMKLY also provides memory-expansion boards and modules and Single In-line Memory Modules (SIMMs) for Compaq's Deskpro, Systempro and N-series products.

''The laptop PC market is growing at a 40 percent rate annually. Shipments are expected to leap from 755,000 units this year to 1.04 million units by 1993 and, according to one independent study, Compaq holds a major share of the U.S. market,'' explained Albert C. Wong, AMKLY president and former founding partner of AST Research Inc.

AMKLY Systems is located at 60 Technology Drive, Irvine; phone 714/727-0788; fax 714/727-9521.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Barry Lawson Williams, president of Williams Pacific Ventures Inc., a venture capital, investment and consulting company, Wednesday was elected to the Pacific Gas and Electric Co. board of directors.

Williams is also president of C.N. Flagg Power Inc. of Meriden, Conn. The company provides contract construction services for nuclear and fossil fuel power plants in the eastern United States.

Born in New York City, Williams earned a bachelor's degree in government from Harvard University in 1966. In 1971 he received a doctor of laws degree from Harvard Law School and an MBA from Harvard Business School.

Williams was a consultant with McKinsey & Co., management consultants, from 1971 to 1979. He was with the Bechtel Group, where he was a managing

principal with Bechtel Investments Inc. from 1979 to 1987, when he assumed his present position with Williams Pacific Ventures.

He is a director of Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. and American President Companies Ltd.; chairman of the board of Pacific Presbyterian Medical Center; vice president of California Healthcare System; general partner of WDG Ventures Inc., a California limited partnership; and a director of Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum Inc.

Williams, a resident of Oakland, is active in the Northern California NAACP Legal Defense Fund and the United Negro College Fund and serves on the board of the California Academy of Sciences. He is a former member of the Harvard University board of overseers.

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GARDEN GROVE, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Hycor Biomedical Inc. (NASDAQ:HYBD) announced Wednesday it has selected Allen & Company Inc. as its financial advisor to consult with the company on various investment banking and other corporate matters that may arise from time to time.

This assistance will include, but not be limited to, debt or equity offerings, acquisitions, capital restructuring, joint venture or corporate partnering arrangements.

Hycor Biomedical is a biotechnology firm specializing in the development, manufacturing and worldwide marketing of human diagnostic products.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Furnishings 2000 Inc. filed a petition for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code on Sept. 14 at 8 p.m. in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York.

The case is pending before Bankruptcy Judge Burton R. Lifland and is identified as Docket No. 90 B 12961. The employees of the retail stores have been furloughed pending further developments.

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FREMONT, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Vitalink Communications Corp., a leading LAN internetworking company Wednesday announced it has completed a restructuring of its organization to reduce expenditures and increase focus on product development.

To achieve these objectives, the company has consolidated some field sales offices and downsized its work force by approximately 10 percent, representing 32 employees.

''In spite of the fact that Vitalink has achieved continued profitability, we are seeing a slowness in orders worldwide which we attribute to general economic uncertainties and current business conditions,'' said Donald J. Herman, Vitalink's chairman and chief executive officer.

''We recognize the impact these uncertainties may have on the future revenue and earnings of our company and believe this restructuring to be a prudent decision in anticipation of these conditions.''

Commenting on Vitalink's need to bring new products to market, Herman said: ''These changes will result in a significant increase in our product development investment in fiscal 1991 -- in terms of absolute dollars and as percentage of revenue. This should enable us to increase our focus on existing and potential LAN internetworking opportunities.''

During fiscal year 1990, Vitalink announced several programs with a goal to position the comapny as a primary supplier of router-based LAN interconnect processors. These programs include the support of additional network protocols on its TransPATH family of bridge/router systems.

By October 1990, TransPATH will support TCP/IP, XNS, IPX, EGP and IBM source routing with DECnet Phase IV, OSI/GOSIP and X.25 to follow. With these enhancements Vitalink will address new markets beyond those served with its industy-leading bridge systems.

Founded in 1980, Vitalink Communications Corp. manufactures and markets a family of LAN interconnect processors including Ethernet and Token-Ring bridges and bridge/routers, and a comprehensive network management system. Over 13,000 systems are installed worldwide, reflecting the company's position as a leading supplier of advanced internetworking systems used to build large, multivendor computer networks.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Ronald G. Domer, Pacific Gas & Electric Co. manager of hydro engineering and construction since 1989, Wednesday was elected vice president engineering by the PG&E board of directors.

His election is effective Oct. 1.

He will replace William H. Wallace, who is taking early retirement.

Domer joined PG&E as chief civil engineer in 1987 after 27 years with the Tennessee Valley Authority. His assignments at TVA included chief civil engineer and manager of project engineering.

Raised in Oak Ridge, Tenn., Domer earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Tennessee in 1959 and master's and Ph.D. degrees in engineering mechanics from the same university in 1965 and 1973.

Domer is a registered professional engineer (civil) in California and Tennessee. He is a fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers, chaired the society's structural division and has served as a member of several other ASCE committees. He is currently a member of the board of directors of the U.S. Committee on Large Dams.

He has visited Europe, Africa and Asia as a member of various engineering working groups, including a hydropower delegation to China in 1984. He has authored numerous articles for technical and professional journals.

Domer and his wife, Beverly, reside in Danville. They are parents of three grown children.

Wallace joined PG&E in 1958 following graduation from the University of California, Berkeley. After a series of engineering and engineering computer applications assignments, he was elected vice president computer systems and services in 1981 and vice president engineering in 1987.

His many contributions to PG&E include advances in power plant automation and business and technical computing systems.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO. (SEPT. 19) BIZWIRE - U S WEST has been named one of America's 75 best companies for working mothers by Working Mother Magazine.

In the October issue, U S WEST was named one of the companies that is ''light years ahead of the competition'' in making pro-family changes and enabling its employees to balance work and family.

Working Mother made its selection based on wages compared to industry competition, opportunities for women to advance, support for childcare, and benefits such as maternity leave, flextime, job sharing and telecommuting.

The magazine said U S WEST has more high-ranking women than any other telephone company. Working Mother also recognized the company as the first to launch an accelerated development program for women of color.

''We're pleased that we're being recognized as one of the best companies for working mothers,'' U S WEST President Dick McCormick said. ''Our motivation in creating a superior environment for our employees is not just to be nice. We can't afford to lose our experienced women employees. The payoff is a talented and dedicated workforce that contributes significantly to our business objectives.''

U S WEST owns U S WEST Communications and other companies involved in communications, data solutions, marketing services and financial services.

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PALO ALTO, CA. (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Silicon Valley Bank (NASDAQ:SIVB) announced the opening of a regional branch office in Southern California in Orange County, across from the Orange County Airport, stated Roger V. Smith, president and chief executive officer.

The branch office is located at 4600 Campus Drive, 105, in Newport Beach; the phone number is 714/252-1300.

Smith said: ''Our research and feedback from the venture capital community indicates a lack of any one clear provider of financial services to the Southern California technology marketplace.

''We have already established a solid base of Southern California technology company relationships and referral sources from both the venture capital community and existing Technology Division clients.''

Senior Vice President James F. Forrester, a four year veteran of the bank's technology division, has moved to Southern California and will manage the office. Forrester's 18 year banking career includes experience in commercial

lending and managing multi-million dollar client portfolios, along with a specialty in cash management services and trade finance.

The Southern California Regional Branch Office will enhance the banking services provided to our existing Southern California clients who have been serviced from the bank's Technology Center in Santa Clara, Calif. The office will also benefit our many Northern California clients conducting business in Southern California.

In May, Silicon Valley Bank opened a loan production office in Wellesley, Mass., along Route 128. This area is the center of the highest concentration of technology companies on the East Coast. The bank also has five offices in Silicon Valley: San Jose, Santa Clara, downtown San Jose, Palo Alto and 3000 Sand Hill Road, in Menlo Park.

Silicon Valley Bancshares, parent company of Silicon Valley Bank, reported net income increased 50 percent to $2,475,000, or 43 cents per share, for the quarter ended June 30. Total assets were $573 million at June 30, up 78 percent over last year.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Litton Industries Inc. announced Wednesday that it has begun the underwritten offering of $1 billion face value Liquid Yield Option Notes (LYONs) due Sept. 26, 2010.

The offering is expected to result in approximately $258 million net proceeds to Litton, which will be used by the company to reduce existing debt.

LYONs are convertible zero coupon subordinated notes that have no periodic interest payments.

The LYONs, which have investment-grade rating, are priced at $265.08 per $1,000 principal amount at maturity. This represents an annual yield to maturity of 6.75 percent. The conversion rate per LYON is 3.063 shares of Litton common stock, representing an initial conversion price of $86.54.

''In light of current market conditions, we are pleased with the interest generated by this issue,'' said Orion L. Hoch, Litton chairman and chief executive officer. ''It shows the confidence of investors in our businesses and our strong financial position.''

Merrill Lynch Capital Markets is acting as sole underwriter for the offering.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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OREM, UT (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Wicat Systems Inc. Wednesday announced that it has signed an agreement with Pratt & Whitney to provide computer-based training (CBT) for the PW4400 aircraft engine, applicable to the McDonnell Douglas MD-11 aircraft.

Under terms of the agreement, Wicat will produce ''Line and Base Maintenance'' training courseware that Pratt & Whitney will use in its Wethersfield, Conn., training center. The courseware will also be available to Pratt & Whitney customers for use at their maintenance training facilities.

The course will include about 35 hours of CBT instruction and will incorporate the use of interactive video to cover procedures and exercises presently taught in the Pratt & Whitney shop.

''This agreement is particularly significant because Pratt & Whitney will be the first domestic engine manufacturer to offer CBT maintenance training to its customers, and they chose Wicat,'' commented Ric Ferrentino, vice president of sales and marketing for Wicat's training division.

The courseware will run on Wicat WITS 2000 or 4000 terminals, as well as most 286- or 386-based MS-DOS computers, including the IBM PS/2 Model 80. The software can be used in a network environment or on stand-alone computers.

Wicat Systems Inc. is a world leader in technology-based training and education solutions, providing products and services to help clients achieve 30 percent to 50 percent learning improvement in schools, industry and government. Wicat's stock is traded in the NASDAQ market under the symbol WCAT.

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SCOTTS VALLEY, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Borland International Inc. (NASDAQ:BORL) announced Wednesday a major upgrade to Quattro Pro, its

award-winning PC spreadsheet software program that has sold more than one-half million copies since its introduction in October 1989.

The company said it will begin shipping Quattro Pro 2.0 in volume within 60 days and that it plans an aggressive upgrade promotion to registered owners of Quattro Pro 1.0 and to owners of other high-end spreadsheets, including Lotus 1-2-3 from Lotus Development Corp.

As was the case with the original Quattro Pro, version 2.0 incorporates features and presentation graphics capabilities not found in any other DOS spreadsheet program.

Borland has again based the program on its proprietary VROOMM (Virtual Runtime Object-Oriented Memory Manager) technology, which lets PC users access the next-generation capabilities of Quattro Pro without upgrading their computer hardware.

According to Dataquest, Borland's spreadsheet market share in units increased to approximately 25 percent in the first quarter of 1990, up from about 5 percent last year. A study conducted by Vista Marketing Research indicates that over 80 percent of Quattro Pro users were previously Lotus 1-2-3 users.

New features of Quattro Pro 2.0 include ''Solve For,'' a powerful goal-seeking technology that solves ''what-if'' scenarios simply; Database Connectivity, which lets users easily access and manipulate data in Borland's Paradox database program and in large mainframe computers; Enhanced Presentation Graphics, including the ability to create ''branching'' slide shows, 3-dimensional graphs, color 35-mm slide support and additional clip art images and import formats.

Quattro Pro 2.0 will have a suggested retail price of $495. The Quattro Pro LAN pack for network use will retail for $295. Registered owners of Quattro Pro 1.0 will be able to upgrade directly from Borland for $79.95. Those who purchased Quattro Pro 1.0 after July 18, 1990, will be eligible for a free upgrade.

Borland will continue to offer its $99.95 competitive upgrade to owners of other high-end spreadsheets.

Borland International Inc., Scotts Valley, is a leading developer of object-oriented programming languages, tools and business software. Borland offers some of the world's most widely used PC software, including Paradox, Quattro Pro, Sidekick, Turbo C++ and Turbo Pascal with Objects. Telephone: 408/438-8400.

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ANAHEIM, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The Clothestime Inc's (NASDAQ:CTME) board of directors Wednesday announced senior management changes and forecasted year end earnings.

Due to recent sales shortfalls resulting from a competitive retail environment and a slow down in consumer spending, management believes earnings for the year ending Jan. 26, 1991 will be in the range of 1 cent to 5 cents per share vs. 3 cents last year.

Michael De Angelo has retired as chairman and chief executive officer, and will remain a director of the company and part-time employee. Raymond De Angelo, vice chairman, has been given the added responsibilities of chief executive officer. John Ortega, formerly vice chairman, has been named chairman of the board.

In another executive change, John Shanklin has resigned as chief financial officer to pursue other interests. David Sejpal will assume the role of acting chief financial officer, reporting to Norman Abramson, president and chief operating officer. Sejpal, formerly corporate controller, has been with the company since 1986.

The Clothestime Inc. operates 370 women's apparel stores in fifteen states, offering primarily in-season, moderately priced sportswear, dresses and accessories, emphasizing brand names at a substantial discount from the more upscale department and specialty stores.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Businessland Inc. (NYSE:BLI) will hold a teleconference for press and industry analysts Wednesday at 10 a.m. PDT 11 a.m. CDT and 12 p.m. EDT to discuss its 4-point plan to improve profitability.

Participants should call 203/797-1321 approximately five minutes before the teleconference is scheduled to begin.

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PARIS (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Farallon Computing Inc. unveiled a multipart European strategy at two important events: the opening of its European offices and a European launch tour.

Bob McNinch, director of European Sales will open the office in London on Oct. 7. The London office will be the first of three European offices that Farallon will open over the next year, and will serve as the regional hub for Northern Europe, as well as the base for pan-European personnel.

Unlike many computer application software program developers from the USA, Farallon Computing Inc. is opening its European office with its software and hardware products already localized in the major European languages. The Farallon product line will be available in French, German, English, Spanish, Swedish and Italian versions.

In addition to McNinch, key personnel from Farallon North America on the European launch tour include Reese Jones, founder and president and Thomas P. Rielly, Farallon's director of Marketing.

The rollout tour includes stops in the United Kingdom, France and Germany.

Farallon's unusual strategy -- uncommon for firms which expand into the European market from North America -- hinges on three approaches. The first is a set of three regional offices instead of the more traditional single European headquarters, in order to be closer to the markets. The second is an investment in European telecommunications research and development. The third is a massive investment in localization of existing and new Farallon products.

Farallon's existing Timbuktu/Remote application is already being tested with burgeoning ISDN services being offered by many of Europe's national telephone system operators such as British Telecom in the United Kingdom, France Telecom in France and the Deutsche Bundespost Telekom in Germany.

Farallon is the leading provider of twisted-pair networks, with more than 1 million PhoneNET System nodes in businesses, universities, and government agencies around the world. The company produces personal communications products and technologies, primarily for use on Macintosh computers.

Farallon's corporate mission is to integrate computing and telephony to enable users to communicate more effectively. Its basis for this belief is that everyone knows how to use a telephone, and by providing the tools to link computers and telephone systems, it allows users to be more effective, while maintaining the unique advantages of both technologies.

Farallon products embrace a variety of communications media, including ISDN, analog and digital voice and data. The company has 225 employees and has headquarters in Emeryville, Calif., with research facilities there, in Lawrence, Kan., and in Portland, Ore.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The chairman and chief executive officer of Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. (ASE:PWB) said Wednesday that the company and its principal subsidiary, the $1.3 billion Pacific Western Bank, substantially exceed federal regulatory guidelines on capital.

''Although the GAO report last week states that many banks and bank holding companies are inadequately capitalized,'' stated Phillip R. Boyce, ''Pacific Western surpasses all new standards set by the regulators which will go into effect at year end.

''On June 30, 1990, our tier 1 risk-based capital stood at 8.01 percent, almost 2 1/2 times the standard (3.25 percent) which will be going into effect Dec. 31. Our total risk-based capital was 9.15 percent, over 1 1/4 times the requirement of 7.25 percent which will be in effect at the end of the year.

''And our leveraged capital ratio was 6.6 percent, which is 2.2 times the new regulatory guidelines of 3.0 percent.''

Total shareholders' common equity was $86.4 million on June 30, while the bank's tier 1 capital was $82.0 million. Its total leveraged capital was $93.7 million.

Boyce added that: ''The recent announcement to repurchase up to 400,000 shares of our common stock was made after concluding that our ratios will remain in excess of these new capital guidelines by similar margins.

''The continuing strength of our earnings, in spite of a somewhat less buoyant economy, is permitting Pacific Western to add to its capital base and sustain our strong reserves.''

He continued: ''Pacific Western's management team has closely monitored the banking industry environment and shares the concerns raised by FDIC Chairman L. William Seidman and Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan.

Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. is a bank holding company. Through its

subsidiaries, the company offers trust and asset management services. The holding company's Pacific Western Bank has 28 locations in three counties serving California's Santa Clara Valley and Monterey Bay area.

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EMERYVILLE, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Chiron Corp. (NASDAQ:CHIR) Wednesday announced that it has entered into an agreement with Novo Nordisk A/S for Novo Nordisk to license certain Chiron technology for manufacture of recombinant human insulin.

This new agreement supercedes an earlier technology license between Chiron and Nordisk, which merged with Novo in 1989.

Chiron will receive an undisclosed royalty from Novo Nordisk on sales of recombinant human insulin. The agreement covers licensing of part of the technology for the production of recombinant human insulin through yeast fermentation, a technology for which Chiron has been granted patents in the United States and expects to receive patents in Europe.

''We're extremely pleased to be able to continue our collaboration with Novo Nordisk, which is the second-longest strategic relationship in Chiron's history,'' said Edward E. Penhoet, Ph.D., vice chairman and chief executive officer.

''We believe that our technology for the production of recombinant human insulin in yeast is one of the leading developments in the evolution of the biotechnology industry. This agreement with one of the world's leading suppliers of insulin affirms its commercial importance.''

Chiron and Novo Nordisk also have a collaboration for the development of recombinant Factor VIII, a clotting substance found in human blood but lacking in hemophiliacs.

Novo Nordisk A/S is a major force in insulin manufacture and diabetes treatment and is the world's largest producer of industrial enzymes. The company also manufactures a variety of other pharmaceutical and bioindustrial products. Headquartered in Denmark, Novo Nordisk employs more than 8,000 people in 30 countries and markets its products in 120 countries.

Chiron Corp., headquartered in Emeryville, applies genetic engineering and other techniques of modern biology to diagnose, treat and prevent human disease. The company is building a healthcare business by focusing on needs in four markets: diagnostics, vaccines, biopharmaceuticals and ophthalmics,

through its subsidiary, Chiron Ophthalmics Inc.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Pitney Bowes Chairman and President George B. Harvey announced Wednesday that, ''The company will no longer remanufacture used copier equipment and has determined to concentrate on new, higher-margin copiers consistent with our marketing strategy directed at serving large corporations and multi-unit installations.''

The company also said that as a result of this change in strategy it will adjust the estimated useful lives of copiers from five years to three years, establish a reserve for the disposal of copiers which previously would have been remanufactured following the old strategy and establish a reserve for costs of closing certain facilities.

The aggregate estimated one-time charge against 1990 third-quarter pre-tax earnings will be approximately $86 million, or 68 cents per share, after tax. The company expects to report full-year 1990 net income that is lower than that reported in 1989.

Harvey said: ''We believe the copier business is a significant part of our office equipment strategy. Accordingly, we undertook a comprehensive study of ways to enhance that business and concluded that concentration on new, not remanufactured, equipment is the most meaningful future course for us to achieve profitable growth in this division.

''Concentrating our energies and resources in the copier business in this way is a vital element in Pitney Bowes' corporate strategy to further strengthen our competitive position in the office equipment marketplace.

''Margins on remanufactured copiers are low and, by focusing our sales and service efforts on new and higher-value products, we believe we can improve our gross margins and enhance our after-market supplies and service revenue.

''In addition, of course, the copier business contributes to coverage of shared expenses incurred in other operations, as well as generates profits in our financial services business.

Pitney Bowes is a $2.9 billion multinational manufacturing and marketing company which provides mailing, shipping, dictating, copying and facsimile

systems; item identification and tracking systems and supplies; mailroom reprographics and related management services; and product financing.

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AMHERST, NY (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Mark IV Industries Inc. (NYSE:IV) Wednesday announced income from continuing operations, before investment gains and extraordinary items, for its second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, of $6.8 million, an 8 percent increase from $6.3 million in the same period last year.

Per share income from continuing operations, before investment gains and extraordinary items, increased 23 percent to 49 cents from 40 cents (41 cents and 35 cents fully diluted, respectively) due to both higher income and fewer shares outstanding in the current period. All per share calculations have been adjusted for the company's 5 percent stock dividend distributed on July 2 1990.

Net income for the second fiscal quarter was $6.8 million, or 49 cents per share, compared with $10.2 million, or 65 cents per share, in last year's second quarter (41 cents and 54 cents fully diluted, respectively).

Last year's second quarter results included investment gains of $2.9 million, a $.2 million loss from discontinued operations and an extraordinary gain of $1.2 million related to open market purchases of certain of the company's subordinated debentures.

Sales for the second quarter increased to $221.2 million, which includes one month's results of Ferranti-Packard Electronics, from $212.5 million in the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, Mark IV's income from continuing operations, excluding investment gains and extraordinary items, was $13.5 million, up 5 percent from $12.8 million in the same period last year. Comparable per share results were up 20 percent, to 95 cents from 79 cents (80 cents and 69 cents fully diluted). Mark IV reported net income of $14.1 million, or 99 cents per share, compared with $16.3 million, or $1.01 per share, in the same period last year (83 cents and 86 cents fully diluted, respectively).

Net income for the first half of fiscal 1991 included investment gains of $.6 million. The first six months of fiscal 1990 included investment gains and extraordinary items totaling $4.8 million and a loss from discontinued operations of $1.3 million.

Sales for the first half of fiscal 1991 were $445.1 million compared with $429.4 million in the same period last year.

Mark IV, headquartered in the Buffalo suburb of Amherst, is a diversified manufacturer of products in three business segments: Technical Products and Systems; Engineered Products and Systems; and Transportation Products and Systems.

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CUPERTINO, CALIF. (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer, Inc. Wednesday announced it has reached a major milestone in the development of its System 7.0.

Apple will begin initial shipments of beta-quality versions of System 7.0, the next version of Macintosh computer system software, to Macintosh third-party developers in October.

Apple will hold the beta cycle open to solicit thorough developer feedback and to allow them to begin developing applications to assure a wide array of System 7.0 applications for customers when the new version of system software ships. To meet Apple's exacting quality standards, they have revised estimates for customer shipments of System 7.0 from the end of 1990, to the first half of calendar 1991.

''Our commitment is to produce the highest quality system software for our developers and customers,'' said Roger Heinen, vice president of software engineering. ''Apple's internal standards for software testing are extremely rigorous, and with the additional feedback from our developers we are confident System 7.0 will shatter traditional notions of what personal computers can do.''

System software controls the way the computer works and provides a foundation for applications software such as word processing and spreadsheets. Macintosh system software is best known for producing the distinctive graphical user interface that set standards for all computing environments. System 7.0 represents the most significant enrichment to the Macintosh since its inception in 1984.

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MT. LAUREL, NJ (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Tyco Toys Inc. (NASDAQ:TTOY) and Nasta International Inc. (AMEX:NAS) Wednesday jointly announced that Tyco has agreed to increase its tender offer for any and all shares of Nasta common stock to $1.25 per share in cash, including shares already tendered, and extended the offer until Oct. 3.

Tyco and Nasta said they have entered into a definitive Merger Agreement which was approved unanimously by the boards of both companies. The Merger Agreement assures that, subject to the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement Nasta common shares not purchased in the tender offer will be converted in a merger following the tender offer into the right to receive the same $1.25 per share in cash, subject to dissenters' rights to appraisal.

Tyco and Nasta also announced that they had reached an agreement in principle to settle three purported class actions based on the increase in price, the Merger Agreement, and an agreement to pay certain attorneys' fees and expenses. The agreement in principle is subject to certain conditions, including court approval.

As of Sept. 17, 607,965 shares had been tendered pursuant to the original tender offer, and if that number of shares were purchased in the tender offer, Tyco's stake in Nasta would increase to 86 percent. Tyco presently owns 74 percent of Nasta.

The offer is not conditioned upon any minimum number of shares being tendered.

Tyco and Nasta also stated that additional tender offer material containing information in connection with the increased offer and the Merger Agreement will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and sent to Nasta stockholders shortly.

Tyco, headquartered in Mt. Laurel, markets a broad range of toys. Nasta, headquartered in New York, markets popularly priced toys.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Management Technologies Corp. (''IMTECH'') (NASDAQ:IMTKA (common), IMTKU (units), IMTKW (warrants)3/8 Tuesday announced that it has postponed its Annual Meeting originally scheduled to be held on September 21, 1990.

The Company is currently holding discussions with the Securities and Exchange Commission regarding certain shares held in escrow since the initial public offering, and their effect on IMTECH's per share calculations. As of the record date, July 27, 1990, IMTECH had 8,414,858 shares outstanding, with 2,852,134 held in escrow. The Meeting will be rescheduled when the review is completed.

IMTECH provides on-site and off-site ''outsourcing'' of a wide range of back office services to firms in the services sector. These services include an optical data storage system - Computer Output INformation System (COINS), electronic publishing, fulfillment, printing, reproduction and general mail room operations. IMTECH's information facilities management (''IFM'') capabilities provide companies with the ability to contract out ancillary services to reduce operating costs and improve productivity, thereby allowing management to focus on its primary corporate objectives.

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AGOURA HILLS, CA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Fortune Petroleum Corp. (NASDAQ:FPEX/FPEXW) and Fairbanks & Haas Inc. (FHI) of Ventura Wednesday announced that they have signed a letter of intent by which Fortune Petroleum proposes to acquire the producing and non-producing oil and gas properties and other assets of Fairbanks & Haas, the direct working interest owners and royalty owners it represents, the limited partnerships of which FHI is the managing general partner and the joint ventures of which it is managing joint venturer.

Fortune will exchange certain of its treasury common shares for the assets to be acquired. This exchange is proposed to be based on the comparative value of the FHI assets relative to the value of the Fortune assets. The value of the oil and gas assets will be determined by an independent petroleum engineer mutually agreed upon by Fortune and FHI.

Dan Pasquini, president of Fortune, stated: ''The addition of the revenues generated by FHI assets should put us in a comfortable positive cash flow position. It would allow us available capital to improve production on our oil and gas properties.''

FHI and its investors have significant interest in approximately 24 wells

located in Ventura and Kern counties of California and in Oklahoma with net production equalling approximately 130 barrels per day of oil and 65 mcf per day of gas.

The acquisition of the FHI assets is contingent upon a vote of its investors, the execution of a definitive agreement and approval of certain regulatory agencies.

Fortune Petroleum is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with its principal properties located in California. Fortune shares and warrants are traded on NASDAQ.

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HESTER, NY (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Paychex Inc. (NASDAQ: PAYX) Wednesday reported net income of $2,871,000 or 22 cents per share for the first quarter ended Aug. 31, up 7 percent over net income of $2,697,000 or 21 cents per share in the previous year's first quarter.

Revenue for the period rose 16 percent to a record $33,067,000 from $28,529,000 a year earlier.

Tom Golisano, chairman and chief executive, noted that revenue growth, operational economies, and the elimination of nonrecurring expenses associated with product development were the major factors in the 59 percent increase in net income over the past fiscal year's fourth quarter.

''Our new Taxpay product is meeting our expectations as approximately 9,000 clients have decided to utilize this service,'' Golisano said. He added that Taxpay, an automatic tax payment and filing option, will be available in offices representing over 75 percent of the company's client base by the end of October.

Golisano further reported that the company's 72 operating centers now are processing payrolls for over 123,000 businesses.

Paychex Inc., with payroll service centers in major metropolitan areas throughout the country, prepares payroll checks, internal accounting records, and all federal, state and local payroll tax returns for businesses employing from 1 to 200 employees. -0- T

Paychex Inc.
Financial Highlights
(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Aug. 31, 1990	1989
Revenue	$33,067	$28,529
Operating costs	11,796	9,872
Selling, general and administrative expense	17,138	14,662
Operating income	4,133	3,995
Income before taxes	4,350	4,281
Net income	2,871	2,697
Net income per share	$ .22	$ .21
Average number of shares	13,049	13,029

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Wednesday announced further expansion into Eastern Europe with the release of a special version of 1-2-3 Release 2.2 with character set support for Eastern Europe.

Lotus also announced the appointment of Vupek of Prague as a Lotus Authorized Distributor and the successful completion of Lotus' first Eastern European end user conference.

''Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Yugoslavia have an installed base of more than 280,000 PCs. That number is expected to grow to 450,000 over the next six months,'' said Steve Crummey, Lotus senior vice president, International Business Group. ''Lotus is aggressively entering this growing market early on and is poised to expand its worldwide leadership position in the spreadsheet market with a product designed specifically for Eastern European users.''

Lotus has enabled 1-2-3 2.2 to provide IBM PC code page 852 support, allowing Eastern Europe users to implement all the characters that their languages demand. A code page specifies the 256 characters a computer generates on a screen or printer, such as the upper and lower case letters of the English alphabet, punctuation marks, digits, graphic characters, etc. Central European languages use an additional 80 characters that are not part of the English character set.

These include the diacritical marks in Czech and Slovak, the umlauts and double s in German, etc. Lotus' software development team in Dublin attended the Technical Standards meeting in Budapest, Hungary in July where major software companies, including IBM, Microsoft, Ashton-Tate, and several Eastern European computer companies, agreed to standardize on code page 852 support.

Vupek Named Distributor in Czechoslovakia

Vupek, a Prague-based distributor, has an established network of 13 service and support outlets throughout Czechoslovakia. In addition to Vupek, Lotus has authorized distributors in Hungary and Yugoslavia. Novotrade, based in Budapest, is the leading distributor of computer-based products in Hungary. Yusaco, based in Novi Sad, distributes products throughout Yugoslavia.

Jan Strnad, Vupek's general manager, said, ''We are delighted to have been chosen by Lotus. At a time of rapid change in our country, Lotus' service and support programs will help establish dealers, consultants and training centers who are entrepreneurial and independent. A strong software industry with well developed service and support programs will benefit everyone.''

Eastern European End User Conference

In addition, Lotus recently sponsored its first Eastern European end user conference. More than 330 end users from Hungary with additional attendees from Romania, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia were present to hear about Lotus, its products and see demonstrations of 1-2-3 3.1 and the soon to be released special version of 1-2-3 2.2 for Eastern Europe. The conference was jointly organized with Lotus' Authorized Distributor for Hungary, Novotrade Inc.

Lotus Development Corp. is the leading provider of applications software for personal computers and information services delivered on CD-ROM, and is a world-wide supplier of applications software for workstations, minicomputers and mainframes.

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VIENNA, VA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - LEGENT Corp. (NASDAQ: LGNT) Wednesday announced the elections of John F. Burton as president, chief operating officer and a member of the board of directors, and of William J. Drummey as senior vice president, North American sales and support.

Both appointments are effective immediately.

Burton, formerly LEGENT's vice president of corporate marketing and general manager of its Software Management division, assumes the position vacated by the resignation of Peter J. Barris in July. Drummey, whose position is a new one for the company, had been vice president, North American sales for Lotus Development Corp., Cambridge, Mass.

According to LEGENT's Chief Executive Joe M. Henson: ''These appointments reflect the building of a management team that is now not only largely complete but that is also ideally suited to our future direction and business priorities.''

Burton, 39, was a founder in 1984 of Business Software Technology Inc., Westborough, Mass., which merged into LEGENT in November 1989. He subsequently was appointed vice president corporate marketing while remaining as general manager of what is now the company's Software Management division.

Drummey, 51, joins LEGENT after having responsibility for all Lotus sales activities in the United States and Canada, including the approximately 400 people and 29 locations, which comprise the microcomputer industry's largest North American sales operation. He joined Lotus in November 1988 after serving for three years as vice president North American sales at Cullinet, later acquired by Computer Associates Inc.

From 1966 to 1985, Drummey, who holds a civil engineering degree from Northeastern University, worked at IBM in various capacities, the last being director of dealer sales for the company's National Distribution division. He managed the sales organization for such varied channels as value-added resellers, dealers, distributors and OEM customers. Earlier responsibilities at IBM included working as a regional manager and director of marketing planning.

LEGENT Corp. is a leading independent supplier of systems software and services for the management and operation of information services, or IS organizations.

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BLUE BELL, PA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. Wednesday confirmed rumors that it has developed a new line of midrange computers that extends the performance of IBM's System 34/36 RPGII applications environment.

The new Unisys RAMP (RPG Application Migration Package) product line is based on the Unisys entry-level A Series mainframe systems, and it will offer users

a significant price/performance advantage compared to IBM's AS 400 line of mid-range systems.

RAMP has an automated migration facility that is used to port System 34/36 RPGII programs, related library members and data files. The RAMP RPGII compiler turns the source code into native A Series mainframe code--there is no emulation overhead in the RAMP processing environment.

Programs will compile and run as they do on the System 34 or 36--except they run up to three times faster. Most twinax terminals are supported, and the RAMP operating environment is so similar to the Operation Control Language 1/8OCL3/8 work environment that no operator retraining is needed.

Unisys will market RAMP through a network of third-party providers in the IBM System 34/36 marketplace. Unisys RAMP is released and available for the qualification of software solutions on the new platform.

Before testing the Unisys RAMP system, MarData bv, an application developer for the Netherlands shipping industry, had been looking for an alternative to the IBM System 36 for their RPGII application for the past three years.

Other Systems Distributers Review Unisys RAMP Performance

Patricia Pierre, Systems Analyst for Dato Centro in the Dominican Republic, was particularly impressed with the simple portation procedure and the OCL-like operating environment. ''Porting my complex 1/8IBM System 36 3/8 OCL application to Unisys RAMP was really easy--almost boring,'' said Pierre.

The RAMP product family uses the Micro A, A1, A4 and A6 Series of Unisys mainframe processors, which compare favorably in price/performance to IBM AS 400 Models C20 through B70.

To these CPUs, Unisys has added an A Series RPGII compiler, Workstation Data Link Processors (DLPs) to support IBM 5250/5250-compatible terminals and 522X printers, custom portation facilities, and run-time software that presents a System 34/36-like, menu- driven user interface. MS-DOS PC workstations with twinax emulation are also supported.

In addition to delivering all the features and functionality of the System 34/36 environment, Unisys RAMP offers users access to the latest release of the Unisys Master Control Program/A Series (MCP/AS) operating environment.

MCP/AS supports LINC and MAPPER, Unisys Corp.'s industry-leading CASE and 4GL application development tools, as well as TCP/IP, X.25, and SNA communications networking capabilies.

Twinax terminals connected to a RAMP environment can function in Unisys Ergonomic Terminal (ET) emulation mode by selecting the option from a menu.

This provides simultaneous multi-windowed access to standard A Series functionality and features from twinax terminals. Pricing and Availability

Qualified System 34/36 VARs can obtain Unisys RAMP systems immediately. Pricing is based on processor size and system quantity. Suggested base list for an entry-level RAMP system is US $19,900.00 (includes Unisys Micro A CPU with 12MB memory, 280MB disk, and 150MB tape drive).

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TAMPA, FL (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Pharmacy Management Services Inc. (NASDAQ:PMSV) Wednesday announced results for the fourth quarter and year ended July 31.

These are the first full year results released since the company completed an initial public offering of 2.5 million shares of common stock on Apr. 5.

Net revenues for 1990 were $55,681,364, an increase of 64 percent from the $34,029,000 reported for 1989. Net income for the 12 months ended July 31, 1990 was $1,969,144, or 27 cents per share, compared to $1,009,000 or 16 cents per share for the same period the prior year, a 95 percent increase in annual earnings.

Net revenues for the fourth quarter of 1990 advanced 59 percent to $16,507,813 vs. the $10,374,790 reported for the same period of 1989. Net income increased 71 percent to $833,928 or 10 cents per share on 2.2 million additional shares outstanding, compared to $488,110 or 8 cents per share in the prior year.

Pharmacy Management Services Inc. is a leading independent national provider of medical cost containment services and products to workers' compensation payors and claimants and to the physical therapy clinics in the rehabilitation product and services marketplace.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - J.W. Gant Financial Inc. (NASDAQ:JWGF) Wednesday declared its first regular quarterly dividend on its

issued and outstanding preferred stock.

A dividend of $.055 cents per share was declared on the company's regular 7 percent per annum non-cumulative preferred shares for preferred shareholders of record Oct. 1, payable Oct. 15, it was announced by Eric Russell, president.

J.W. Gant Financial had its initial public offering on Feb. 28 of units comprised of one share of common stock and a share of preferred stock entitling holders to a regular 7 percent per annum non-cumulative dividend based on the $3.125 per preferred share offering price.

Its securities are listed on the Boston Stock Exchange and on NASDAQ under the NASDAQ symbols: units -- JWGFU, common shares -- JWGF, and preferred shares -- JWGFP.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - EDS and Australian-based Mincom Wednesday announced the formation of a strategic relationship allowing the companies to jointly pursue information technology business in the mining, utility and petroleum industries.

The agreement provides for joint marketing activities where appropriate and cooperation in development, implementations and customer training.

EDS, one of the largest providers of information technology services to the energy industry, brings its systems integration and global communications infrastructure to the relationship while Mincom will contribute its range of software products designed to address the specific needs of businesses in the mining, utility and petroleum industries.

The two companies will combine their respective areas of expertise, where appropriate, for the benefit of companies in these industries worldwide.

Mincom Chief Operating Officer Gordon Jardine said that the teaming arrangement will be beneficial for the energy industry.

''Through this relationship energy companies, which often have remote operations, will have easy access to information technology applications designed specifically for their industry,'' said Jardine.

''We see this as a good opportunity to add to our existing expertise in the mining, utility and petroleum industries and broaden the services we can provide to our existing and future energy customers,'' said EDS Energy

Division President Ken Scott.

Mincom specializes in integrated business applications for the mining, utility and petroleum community and other industries which are capital intensive. It is one of the leading providers of systems to these industries in Australia and has been operating successfully in the international marketplace, specifically North America, for several years.

The company's MIMS (Mincom Information Management System) successfully integrates maintenance and materials management systems with financial, budgetary control and plant performance systems. MIMS enables energy companies with large- scale, geographically dispersed operations to efficiently maintain their plant and equipment, optimize inventory holdings, maximize plant utilization and improve company profitability.

Mincom operates in the United States through its wholly owned subsidiary, Mincom U.S.A., Inc., which has offices in Denver, Atlanta and Houston. In addition to MIMS, Mincom also offers mine planning and well log analysis systems.

Dallas-based EDS has operations in 27 countries and is the leader in providing information technology solutions to customers in a variety of industries. Stock reflecting EDS' performance is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

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TORONTO (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Stake Technology Ltd., (NASDAQ:STKLF) Wednesday announced that they have received a letter of intent from Palmaven S.A., in Caracas, Venezuela, for the formation of a joint venture company to produce cattle feed from sugarcane bagasse using the StakeTech steam processing technology and equipment.

The announcement was made by Jeremy N. Kendall, chairman and chief executive officer of Stake Technology.

Palmaven, S.A. is a subsidiary of Petroleos de Venezuela S.A. (PDVSA), an international energy company operating in the areas of oil, bitumen, natural gas, petrochemicals and coal. For 1989, PDVSA reported a net income of $2.3 billion.

According to Kendall, ''Palmaven has been given a mandate to develop agricultural projects in Venezuela that will improve the efficiency of agriculture production throughout the country.

''The first Stake cattle feed plant would be an appropriate complement to an agroservices project that Palmaven is developing in the northeastern region of Venezuela.''

Kendall noted that subject to confirmation of the economic viability of the project by a site specific feasibility study, Palmaven is prepared to take a 49 percent equity position in the cattle feed plant while Stake Technology would have 10 percent equity. Local investors, most likely a sugar mill, would have the remaining 41 percent.

Based on a capital cost estimate of $4.8 million (U.S.) for construction of the first plant, Palmaven has indicated that they are prepared to invest an initial $1.1 million (U.S.) in the development.

The joint venture is applying to the Canadian Export Development Corp. for to finance 85 percent of the foreign equipment and engineering services required for the plant. ''In addition, Stake Technology will also apply to the Canadian International Development Agency for financial assistance for the feasibility study,'' Kendall said. It is anticipated that the plant will be in operation sometime in
1991. According to Kendall, prefeasibility studies have indicated at least five StakeTech cattlefeed plants could be built in Venezuela.

Stake Technology Ltd. owns and licenses the Stake Tech process, which through continuous steam explosion, converts wasted biomass, such as wood chips, sugarcane bagasse, corn stalks and straw, into usable end products, by chemically and physically separating the principal components found in biomass.

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MARKHAM (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Geac Computer Corp. Ltd. Wednesday posted its first quarter results for the period ending July 31.

Income from operations for the first quarter of this fiscal year was $522,000, an increase of 13 percent over last year's quarter. Sales were $16.5 million this quarter compared to last year's first quarter sales of $17.0 million. The sales shortfall compared to the prior year is attributable to the sale of the Canadian Financial software products, effective June 30, 1989.

The increase in income from operations resulted from operating economies and

interest income from a healthy cash balance of $18.3 million compared to $4.1 million on July 31, 1989.

Geac President and CEO, Stephen J. Sadler, said ''Geac continues to seek opportunities to develop our services to current and new vertical markets, utilizing our available global network of offices and resources.''

Founded in 1971, Geac Computer Corp. Ltd. is a world leader in the design, integration and manufacture of computer software and hardware, serving the Library Automation, Financial Services, and Manufacturing Systems markets worldwide with revenues of over $72,000,000. A world leader in OnLine Transaction Processing (OLTP) solutions, Geac combines unique skills in application software, systems software, hardware, and support services on a broad range of industry standard hardware platforms.

Geac serves several vertical markets worldwide with a staff of over 500 professionals in 10 countries. Geac has development centres in Canada, the USA, the UK and France. Its world headquarters are in Markham, Ontario Canada. Geac is a publicly traded company on The Toronto Stock Exchange (Symbol: GAC).

Geac Computer Corp. Ltd.
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(unaudited) (thousands of dollars, except per share amounts)

	Three months ended July 31	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$18,463	$17,010
Expenses:		
Costs, excluding amounts shown below	13,672	13,662
Research and development, net	1,673	2,022
Depreciation and amortization	701	823
Interest	(305)	41
	15,941	16,548
Income from operations	522	462
Unusual item:		
Gain on sale of Canadian Financial software and related assets	-	7,700
Income before income taxes	522	8,162
Provision for income taxes	50	2,050
Net income for the period	$ 472	$ 6,112
Earnings per share:		

from operations..... .....$	0.02	$ 0.02
unusual item and income taxes.....	-	0.27
	$ 0.02	$ 0.29
Average shares outstanding (000's).....	21,533	20,794

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Financial Position (unaudited)
(thousands of dollars)

	Three months ended July 31 1990	1989
Operating activities:		
Net income for the period.....$	472	$ 6,112
Adjusted for amounts not affecting cash:		
Depreciation and amortization.....	701	823
Deferred taxes..... ...	-	2,050
Gain on sale of Canadian Financial software and related assets.....	-	(7,700)
	1,173	1,285
Changes in non-cash working capital components.....	2 ,855	(3,913)
Cash provided by (used in) operating activities.....	4, 028	(2,628)
Investing activities:		
Addition to fixed assets, net.....	(471)	(479)
Acquisition of Avance software.....	-	(3,002)
Foreign exchange translation adjustment...	1,275	(15)
Proceeds on sale of Canadian Financial software and related assets, net of costs of disposal.....	-	8,960
Cash provided by investing activities.....	804	5,464
Financing activities:		
Issue of common shares.....	2 3	1,011
Conversion of preference shares..... ..	(10)	(6)
Repayment of shareholder loan.....	-	(2,101)
Decrease in amounts receivable under sales-type leases.....	-	283
Increase in other long-term receivable.....	(4)	(3,745)
(Decrease) increase in long-term debt.....	(24)	45
Cash used in financing activities.....	(15)	(4,513)

Net cash increase (decrease) during the period	4,817	(1,677)
Cash position at beginning of period	13,474	5,816
Cash position at end of period	$18,291	$4,139

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SYRACUSE, N.Y. (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. Wednesday announced plans to streamline its nuclear and fossil-fuel operations with the goal of initiating reductions in annual expenditures in these two areas by as much as $64 million by the end of 1992.

It is expected that much of the projected annual reduction will be achieved through the restructuring and elimination of work activities and, in some cases, individual positions.

These plans are the result of the first cycle of an ongoing self-assessment aimed at improving the company's operating efficiency and effectiveness, as well as goals for additional reductions based on further studies.

Similar efforts are under way in the company's regional operations and corporate departments, with resulting implementation plans expected early next year.

In the nuclear division, which operates and supports Nine Mile Point Units One and Two, a reduction of approximately $55 million in annual expenditures is projected by late 1992.

The reduction in nuclear includes some 650 positions now filled by contractors about 130 positions that are now vacant, and a gradual elimination of approximately 450 Niagara Mohawk positions over two years, if goals are successfully achieved.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William J. Donlon said that while intensive position control and normal attrition are expected to achieve most of the Niagara Mohawk reduction, 17 nuclear management employees will be displaced from permanent positions in 1990.

In the fossil generation area, annual cost reductions of about $9 million will be sought, mostly through streamlining of operations and reductions in

overtime. Niagara Mohawk employment will be reduced by 17 positions. Fossil generation includes operation and support for the company's coal, oil and natural gas generating stations in Dunkirk, Tonawanda, Oswego and Albany.

Niagara Mohawk is an investor-owned utility serving some 1.6 million electric customers and 466,000 natural gas customers throughout most of upstate New York.

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BRAINTREE, MA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The Bank of Braintree (NASDAQ-NMS:BTSB) has declared a regular cash dividend for the third quarter of 1990.

A dividend of 9 cents per share on the bank's 1,567,710 outstanding shares was announced by Winthrop Sargent, IV, chairman and chief executive officer.

The cash dividend is payable on Oct. 15, 1990 to stockholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990.

The Bank of Braintree is a Massachusetts chartered stock savings bank which offers a comprehensive line of business and personal banking services at four offices in the Town of Braintree and had assets of $182.0 million as of June 30, 1990.

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BAYSIDE, NY (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The Home Savings Bank (NASDAQ:HMSB) announced that its shareholders, at a special meeting held earlier today, approved the proposed merger of The Home Savings Bank with a subsidiary of H.F. Ahmanson & Company (NYSE:AHM).

The proposed transaction is subject to regulatory approvals, and applications have been filed with the Office of Thrift Supervision, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the New York State Banking Department. The merger agreement was announced on Apr. 2, 1990 and is expected to close by year-end.

Richard A. Kraemer, Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer of Home, said, ''The strong support for the proposed merger shown by the Bank's

shareholders is very gratifying.'' Of the total votes cast at the meeting 98 percent were in favor of the merger, representing 80 percent of the outstanding common stock. Kraemer added, ''This transaction when completed will increase value to our shareholders and align Home with one of the premier financial service companies in the United States.''

The Home Savings Bank, with assets of $1.5 billion, operates 13 full-service banking offices in the boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens, as well as Nassau and Westchester Counties.

H.F. Ahmanson & Company, with more than $47.6 billion in assets, is the parent company of Home Savings of America, F.A. and The Bowery Savings Bank. Home Savings of America's $35.5 billion deposit base is the largest of any U.S. savings institution.

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SAN MARCOS, Calif.(SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Natural Alternatives International Inc. (NASDAQ:NATA), manufacturer of specially formulated vitamins and minerals, increased its net income by 72 percent in its fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 and by 159 percent in its 1990 fiscal year, Mark A. Le Doux, president, announced Wednesday.

Sales rose 48 percent for the fourth quarter and 62 percent for the full year. Profits and sales for both periods were at new record highs, Le Doux said.

For the quarter ended June 30, 1990, Natural Alternatives' net income was $218,951, or 6 cents per share, on sales of $3,480,353, compared with income $127,561, or 3 cents per share, on sales of $2,353,087 one year earlier.

For the 1990 fiscal year, net income totaled $1,135,006, or 30 cents per share on sales of $11,876,422, compared with $439,009, or 11 cents per share, on sales of $7,310,580 the previous year.

''Our sales gains,'' said Le Doux, ''reflect expanding demand from our existing client base, enhanced by the addition of new client organizations. The programs we have been pursuing in automation of manufacturing and inventory control have made it possible for NAI to attract more business and increase production efficiency. In fiscal 1990, our productivity, as measured by dollar sales per employee, advanced by 59 percent.''

Founded in 1980, Natural Alternatives is a marketing-oriented company that formulates and encapsulates vitamins, micro nutrients and related nutritional supplements. The company provides innovative private-label vitamin products for specialty corporate or commercial customer accounts.

Natural Alternatives International Inc.
Financial Highlights

	Fourth Quarter Ended June 30,		Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 3,480,353	$ 2,353,087	$ 11,876,422	$ 7,310,580
Income before taxes	349,033	172,204	1,899,006	648,783
Provision for income taxes	130,082	44,643	764,000	209,774
Net income	$ 218,951	$ 127,561	$ 1,135,006	$ 439,009
Earnings per share (-a)	$ .06	$ .03	$ .30	$ .11
Weighted average common shares outstanding (-a)	3,846,549	3,846,549	3,846,549	3,846,549

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(-a) Restated to reflect a one-for-50 reverse split in January 1990.

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WEST NEWTON, MA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - West Newton Savings Bank (NASDAQ:WNSB) announced Wednesday that its board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 4 cents per share payable Oct. 16, 1990 to shareholders of record Sept. 28, 1990.

West Newton Savings Bank is a Massachusetts savings bank founded in 1987. The bank has branch offices in Wayland, Sudbury, Lincoln and Sherborn. The bank converted to stock form on Oct. 23, 1986.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Michael Lissauer has been named vice president and director of marketing communications for Business Wire, it was announced Wednesday by Lorry Lokey, president of the company. Lissauer is the former president of Saga Communications, a marketing communications firm servicing companies in a variety of industries including graphic arts, entertainment, new product development, substance abuse prevention, real estate syndication and advertising satellite transmission.

''Lissauer brings an outstanding marketing background to Business Wire,'' said Lokey. ''He has been involved in all aspects of the marketing field, including advertising, public relations, direct mail, sales promotion and new product development. All of us at Business Wire are looking forward to working with a person of his professionalism and creativity.''

A graduate of Pace University with an MBA in communications and the University of Bridgeport with a BA in political science, Lissauer has spent 20 years in the communications field, the last 14 as president of Saga. He is currently a communications advisor to the Partnership for a Drug-Free America.

Founded in 1961, Business Wire distributes full text news releases to the media and the investment community throughout the United States, Canada, Europe and the Far East. The company has 16 offices in the United States and bureaus in Tokyo and Paris.

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BLUE BELL, PA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - J. Carl Masi, a 25-year computer industry veteran, has been named vice president of corporate marketing for Unisys, the corporation announced Wednesday.

Reto Braun, Unisys executive vice president, said Masi will be responsible for guiding the refinement and implementation of the company's line-of-business strategies on a worldwide basis.

''For Unisys to execute the company's strategy,'' Braun said, ''it is critical that we effectively target and penetrate solution market segments that match our commitment to providing open information networks.

''Carl's global sales and marketing experience will help Unisys continue to

improve its overall effectiveness in marketing.''

Masi, 49, was previously chairman and CEO with International Data Corp. and an executive vice president at Wang Laboratories Inc. During his 12-year Wang tenure, Masi held a number of senior-level management positions in both U.S. and international sales, marketing and support operations.

He holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Tufts University.

Masi replaces Jack Holton, who concurrently was named vice president, Strategic Account Marketing for Unisys.

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (SEPT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Koger Properties Inc. (NYSE:KOG) announced that it knows of nothing that explains the present activity of its stock in the marketplace.

The fundamentals of the company have not changed, leasing is at an all-time high, occupancy levels are up over last year, rental income is increasing. All operating fundamentals are sound.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Citing the brisk sales of its two home DAT deck introductions as confirmation of consumer acceptance of the DAT format, Sony Wednesday announced that it will forge ahead with plans to market both car and portable DAT units in the U.S.

Slated for late 1990 availability, Sony's DTX-10 car DAT player and TCD-D3 DAT Walkman personal stereo recorder/player underscore both the company's commitment to the DAT format and its leadership role in the industry.

''These introductions are a logical extension of our DAT home decks that parallel the success of other audio formats in meeting the needs of consumers' active lifestyles,'' asserts Martin Homlish, Sony Audio Component Systems Co. president. ''Both new configurations of DAT products will enable consumers to realize the full potential of this truly advanced digital audio technology for a broad range of listening environments outside the home.''

The timing of this second phase of consumer DAT introductions was calculated by Sony to follow the development of two important factors: the penetration of home DAT player/recorders and the availability of pre-recorded software.

Sony led the industry in launching DAT in June of this year with the market availability of two home DAT decks, blank and pre-recorded DAT cassettes and a comprehensive marketing support program. Sony ''DAT Day'' was marked by promotional events at select Sony ES dealers nationwide, which included the distributuion of special dealer merchandising display kits and introductory ads; plus balloons, T-shirts, and other DAT promotional materials for consumers.

''We created the momentum with products possessing superior technology and support programs to launch the DAT enthusiast market. Now we're ready to expand that market to a broader audience,'' comments Marnix van Gemert, Sony Personal Audio Products Co. president.

Sony will continue to support the DAT format through an aggressive promotional and merchandising effort. Digital technology seminars, co-sponsored with AUDIO magazine, will be taking place during the months of September and October in major cities around the country. Fall radio promotions, national advertising and new pre-recorded software releases are also planned. In addition, the company will continue its dedicated 201-Sony-DAT ''hotline'' to answer consumers' questions on the DAT format.

The Sony car DAT player, model DTX-10, incorporates an FM/AM tuner and Discjockey CD changer control in a one-piece DIN-chassis design. It provides all the advantages that digital audio has to offer with the ease-of-use inherent in a cassette format. Sony's first car DAT offered to the autosound aftermarket, the DTX-10 employs proprietary second-generation car DAT mechanisms and Large Scale Integration (LSI) that enable it to achieve the ''price/performance value necessary to insure market acceptance here in the U.S.,'' adds Homlish.

According to van Gemert, the new DAT Walkman unit represents the culmination of Sony's expertise in digital audio technology and component miniaturization, to usher in an entirely new era in portable audio entertainment. Weighing less than one pound without battery, the TCD-D3 DAT Walkman personal stero is a heavyweight in terms of performance.

It is capable of recording and playing back at either 48 kHz, 44.1 kHz or 32 kHz sampling frequencies and also offers a long-play mode that provides for up to four hours of continuous recording/playback use on a 120-minute tape. Truly portable in operation, the TCD-D3 offers three methods of supplying power (rechargeable battery, car battery and AC power).

The Sony car and portable DAT products are scheduled to be available by the end of this year at the suggested retail prices of $1,100 and $849.95,

respectively.

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INDIANAPOLIS (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - INB Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:INBF) Chairman Thomas M. Miller and Jerry D. Gummere, chairman of Peoples Mid-Illinois Corp., Wednesday jointly announced that the pending merger agreement between the two bank holding companies has been terminated by mutual consent.

INB and Peoples entered into the original merger agreement on Jan. 4. On Aug. 21, an amendment was proposed, subject to INB board approval, which extended the termination date from Oct. 3, 1990, to Feb. 3, 1991 and increased the aggregate purchase price by $1.4 million.

As a result of proposed significant increases in FDIC assessments and increasingly unsettled conditions in the market for financial institution stocks, INB management did not feel it could recommend that the INB Board approve the amendment.

Under terms of the amended agreement, the number of INB Financial shares to be exchanged for each share of Peoples would have varied between 1.3857 and 1.3626, depending on INB Financial's average stock price.

Based on total assets, INB Financial Corp. is Indiana's largest bank holding company. It is headquartered in Indianapolis and is the parent of INB National Bank (Indianapolis), INB Banking Co. (Jeffersonville), INB Banking Co., North (Chesterton) and INB National Bank, Northwest (Lafayette). The four banks operate 105 banking centers in 16 Indiana counties and as of June 30, had total assets of $5.99 billion and shareholders' equity of $415.5 million.

This termination does not affect the three other pending INBF acquisitions: Homestate Bancorp, parent of The State Bank of Salem; FL&T Financial Corp., parent of The Farmers Loan and Trust Co., Columbia City, and Peoples Savings Bank of Evansville.

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#90262b0772 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (SEPT 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation announced Wednesday that Richard B. Williams has been elected senior vice president for corporate strategy, a newly created post at the company, effective Oct. 1, 1990.

Mr. Williams, 45 years old, will report to Charles W. Moritz, chairman and chief executive officer of The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation.

''Rick will focus on strengthening our internal planning and strategic management capabilities, and maximizing the long-term value of our businesses '' said Mr. Moritz.

Mr. Williams was previously with Unisys Corporation, which he joined in 1985 as vice president of plans and programs. He was promoted to vice president for corporate strategy later that year. In 1989, he was named vice president for marketing in the U.S., his most recent position at Unisys.

From 1981 to 1985, Mr. Williams was with General Electric Company, where he was a general manager for marketing in the company's consumer area. Prior to that he was with Booz Allen & Hamilton Inc. from 1977 to 1981.

He served in several product-management positions at Warner- Lambert Company from 1973 to 1977, and began his business career in 1971 at Ketchum Communications as an account executive.

Mr. Williams received a B.A. in political science from Williams College in 1967. He served as a sergeant in the U.S. Army from 1967 to 1969. In 1971, he received an M.B.A. in marketing from The Wharton Graduate Division of the University of Pennsylvania.

The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation is the world's largest marketer of business information and related services, with worldwide operating revenue of $4.3 billion in 1989.

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#90262b0775 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire
CHICAGO (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Aon Corp. Wednesday reiterated that its position all along has been and remains that it would not undertake a transaction which was opposed by the Corroon Board.

''Our decision to leave our $40 proposal on the table was part of our request

to meet with the Corroon Board -- if it wasn't on the table, there wouldn't be anything to meet about'', said Patrick G. Ryan, chairman of Aon.

''If the Corroon Board denies us a hearing or, after a hearing, persists in its position that the Willis Faber transaction -- currently valued at around $30 per share -- will serve the best interests of Corroon's stockholders, then we will withdraw our proposal.''

Aon Corp. is an insurance holding company listed on the New York, London and Midwest Stock Exchanges with assets in excess of $9.8 billion. Revenues for fiscal 1989 exceeded $2.3 billion, with net income of $232 million, including revenues from Europe, Canada and the Pacific of $298 million, with pretax earnings from overseas operations of $74.2 million. The principal subsidiaries of Aon Corp. are Combined Insurance Company of America, The Life Insurance Company of Virginia, Rollins Burdick Hunter Group, Inc., Ryan Insurance Group, Inc., and Union Fidelity Life Insurance Co.

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Joan Steel, 312/701-3016

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BANGOR, ME (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas A. Greenquist, chairman of the board of Bangor Hydro-Electric Co., announced that the directors have declared the following regular quarterly dividends:

8.76% preferred stock $2.19 per share 7% preferred stock $1.75 per share 4-1/4% preferred stock $1.06 per share 4% preferred stock $1.00 per share

common stock $0.31 per share

The dividends are payable Oct. 20, 1990 to stockholders of records at the close of business on Sept. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Bangor Hydro-Electric, Bangor
John P. O'Sullivan, 207/945-5621

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ENGLEWOOD, NJ (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Nutrition Inc. (NASDAQ:MENU) Wednesday announced revenues and net income for the second quarter ended July 31, 1990.

Revenues were $315,500 and net income was $5,591 as compared to revenues of $1,073,343 and net income of $430,063 for the comparable period in 1989 and

for the six months ended July 31, 1990 revenues were $926,285 and net income was $103,686 compared to revenues of $1,550,048 and net income of $533,249 for the comparable period.

The small decline in revenues from sale of weight loss foods was due principally to the adverse publicity surrounding the weight loss industry and in particular those programs emphasizing low calories and quick weight loss.

Medical Nutrition is engaged in the development and marketing of medically supervised weight management programs emphasizing disease prevention and health programs.

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by
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Lawrence Burstein, 212/986-3734

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#90262b0779 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire
ROCHESTER, NY (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Rochester Gas and Electric Corp. Wednesday declared a cash dividend of 39 cents per share on the outstanding common stock of the corporation payable Oct. 25 to stockholders of record at the close of business Oct. 5.

Dividends on the corporation's preferred stocks were also declared at the regular rates per share payable Dec. 1 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 2.

CONTACT: Rochester Gas and Electric, Rochester
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#90262b0780 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire
WAYNE, NJ (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The Food and Drug Administration has notified American Cyanamid Company that it is questioning the validity of data reported in studies submitted to the FDA's Center for Veterinary Medicine involving the efficacy of CYGRO coccidiostat products.

The safety of CYGRO is not in question.

According to G.J. Sella Jr., Cyanamid Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, ''We wish to assure the government, our customers and the animal health industry that Cyanamid will not tolerate any use of invalid scientific data.

''Any such practice is contrary to Cyanamid's long-standing policy. We are

cooperating fully with the FDA's Center for Veterinary Medicine in its investigation of this matter. We are also making arrangements for an independent audit.

''In addition, we are conducting a comprehensive review of our internal controls in the animal health area to assure that applicable regulatory requirements are followed and that scientific data meets the highest possible standards.

''We are confident in the safety and efficacy of CYGRO, as demonstrated by years of use in billions of chickens around the world.''

CYGRO prevents coccidiosis, a prevalent parasitic disease that affects the digestive tract of poultry.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Checkout Channel, the first live news and information television broadcast viewed at supermarket checkout lanes, Wednesday made its initial telecast to supermarkets in seven U.S. cities.

Checkout Channel is a joint effort of Turner Broadcasting System and ActMedia, the leading in-store marketing company.

Shoppers in New York; Los Angeles; Detroit; Atlanta; Columbus, Ohio; Charlotte North Carolina; and San Jose, Calif. can now get the latest breaking news and information from CNN and Headline News as they stand in checkout lines.

''World events over the past month have demonstrated just how important it is to provide the public with as much news as often as possible. This has always been the philosophy behind CNN and Headline News,'' said Jon Petrovich, executive vice president of Headline News. ''The Checkout Channel presents an ideal opportunity to further realize this goal.''

ActMedia conceived Checkout Channel as a way of improving the shopping experience. Retailers are expecting Checkout Channel to make the time spent in line more useful and productive.

Waiting in line is the number one complaint among shoppers, according to Dr. Richard Larson, an MIT professor of electrical engineering and computer science, and a leading authority on line dynamics. ''When people are just standing around, boredom and frustration make the time seem interminable. Providing them with something useful and constructive, such as news, makes the

time more productive,'' Dr. Larson said.

Programming will run in 8 minute intervals, roughly corresponding to the average time spent in line. Fully 70 percent of each interval will be editorial programming supplied by CNN and Headline News. The remaining 30 percent of the time will be sold to advertisers. Phase I is fully subscribed by eight advertisers: Beatrice, Kimberly Clark, Ford, Walt Disney World, Planter's LifeSavers, Clorox, Campbell's and Kraft General Foods.

''Checkout Channel will deliver a significant new audience,'' said Wayne W. LoCurto, president and CEO of ActMedia. ''In a time when a mass audience is getting harder to reach, the supermarket is uniquely capable of delivering that audience.''

Supermarket chains participating in Checkout Channel's initial telecast are Kroger (Detroit and Columbus, Ohio), A & P (Atlanta), Food Lion (Charlotte), Waldbaum's (New York), Von's (Los Angeles) and Safeway (San Jose).

''These stores represent six of the top 10 national chains,'' LoCurto said. ''Retailers have tuned in the Checkout Channel as a way to turn shopper's down time into productive time.''

Checkout Channel programming will be divided into four dayparts: daytime, evening, night and weekend. The daytime cycle will feature news programming targeted to women, evening and night will target working singles and couples and weekend will feature reports on family-oriented issues as well as news.

ActMedia has had Checkout Channel in development for two years. It is the first television network to offer in-store live, network quality, full-motion video with sound. Telecast will emanate from CNN Center in Atlanta and be transmitted via satellite to each store, updated every 8 minutes.

Checkout Channel expects to be televised to 5,000 supermarkets nationwide by the end of 1992.

ActMedia is based in Darien, Conn., and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Dallas-based Heritage Media Corp., a publicly held company that trades on the American Stock Exchange.

Turner Broadcasting System Inc. is the leading supplier of programming to the basic cable television industry. TBS is headquartered in Atlanta.

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NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - H. Leighton Steward, chairman, president and chief executive officer of The Louisiana Land and Exploration Co. (NYSE:LLX) Wednesday announced the election of Admiral Carlisle A. H. Trost as a director of the company.

Admiral Trost is the former Chief of Naval Operations. He retired from active naval service on July 1st of this year.

Admiral Trost has had a distinguished and varied naval career. After graduating first in his class from the United States Naval Academy in 1953, he underwent extensive training in submarine and naval nuclear propulsion plant operations.

Following a series of increasingly responsible naval assignments, he assumed command of Submarine Flotilla One in San Diego, in June 1973 with additional duties as Commander Submarine Force Pacific Representative, West Coast. He subsequently served as Deputy Commander U.S. Pacific Fleet, Commander U.S. Seventh Fleet and Director, Navy Program Planning.

On Oct. 4, 1985, Trost was promoted to the rank of Admiral and became Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet and Deputy Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Command. He became a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff as the U.S. Navy's 23rd Chief of Naval Operations on June 30, 1986.

Admiral Trost is the recipient of a number of awards from foreign countries. Among his personal awards, the Admiral has received the Department of Defense, Navy, Army and Air Force Distinguished Service Medals, three Legion of Merit awards, the Navy Achievement Medal and the Humanitarian Service Medal.

In his comments, Steward stated that LL&E will benefit from the wealth of knowledge and international experience Admiral Trost will bring to the board.

Admiral Trost and his wife, the former Pauline Haley, reside in Potomac, Md. They are the parents of four children.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Houston-based Begemann USA Inc. has announced the purchase of 50 percent of the stock of Windmaster USA Inc. in Northern California.

Windmaster will operate as part of Begemann Power Resources Inc., a subsidiary just formed by Begemann. Headquarters for Begemann Power Resources Inc. is in Houston.

Windmaster wind turbines, or windmills, supply power to Pacific Gas and Electric Co., the major electric utility in Northern California servicing San Francisco and Oakland. Windmaster operates some 150 wind turbines in Altamont Pass, located about 35 miles east of Oakland.

Carl Green, president of both Begemann USA Inc. and the new subsidiary, said that rising energy prices made the purchase of Windmaster an especially favorable proposition, since it is a proven alternate energy source.

Purchase price of the stock was not disclosed, but Green said it was a multi-million dollar transaction. Green said that his company is looking closely at the acquisition of the other 50 percent of Windmaster stock in the future.

The purchase is part of a larger transaction involving the Royal Begemann Group, the parent company in Holland. The Royal Begemann Group has just purchased HMZ, a European manufacturer of wind driven turbines. The Royal Begemann Group is headed by Joep van den Nieuwenhuyzen.

Green said that for the short term, Begemann will be monitoring and improving the efficiency of the current wind turbines. He plans to carefully pursue opportunities for expanding the concept as an alternate source of energy. Green said that some locations on the Texas Gulf Coast have potential for the use of wind power.

Through the purchase of HMZ, the Royal Begemann Group has further strengthened its position in the production of wind driven turbines. After years of research and development, Begemann officials say that wind energy has reached the stage of commercial use.

The Royal Begemann Group is currently ranked as the 50th largest company in Holland. Begemann USA Inc. has previously acquired Chronister Valve Corp. and Baylor Technology Inc. in the Houston area. Begemann Heat Exchangers Inc. has just gone into operation in the United States as a subsidiary of Begemann USA Inc.

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LA GUARDIA AIRPORT, NY (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of

FlightSafety International (NYSE:FSI) increased the quarterly dividend on the common stock to 6 cents a share from 5 cents.

The dividend will be payable Nov. 16, 1990, to stockholders of record on Oct. 22, 1990.

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#90262b0810 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire

BOSTON (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - UST Corp., a parent company of the USTrust banks in Massachusetts and UST Bank/Connecticut, declared its regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.1575 per share payable on Oct. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 30, 1990.

This quarterly cash dividend is at the annual rate of $0.63 per share.

UST Corp. is a $2.5 billion financial services company. In addition to three commercial banks, the company owns several non-bank subsidiaries that provide corporate finance, venture capital and equipment leasing services.

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#90262b0814 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire

AKRON, OHIO (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Ohio Edison Co. announced Wednesday the sale of $47,725,000 of Pollution Control Revenue Refunding Bonds, 1990 Series A, due 2016.

The bonds will carry a coupon rate of 7.45 percent and will be issued on behalf of Ohio Edison through the Ohio Air Quality Development Authority. The refinancing will lower Edison's interest costs by about $1.2 million annually.

Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc. and McDonald & Company Securities Inc. will serve as lead underwriters for the sale of the new bonds.

Net proceeds from the sale of new bonds are expected to be used on Oct. 15, 1990, to redeem the $22,725,000 of outstanding 10 percent Ohio Air Quality Development Authority bonds, 1980 Series B, due 2000, and the $25 million of outstanding 10-1/8 percent Ohio Air Quality Development Authority bonds, 1980 Series B, due 2010.

Redemption of both issues will depend on receipt of sufficient funds from the

sale of new bonds.

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#90262b0820 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire
HUNTSVILLE, AL. (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - SCI Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:SCIS) Wednesday announced that it has authorized the purchase in open market and privately negotiated transactions of up to 1 million shares of the company's outstanding common stock.

The company said the timing and number of shares to be purchased from time to time, if any, would depend upon a number of factors, including market price. Currently, there are approximately 21 million shares of the company's common stock outstanding.

SCI Systems Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and services electronic products and systems, primarily for the computer and office automation, aerospace, telecommunications, medical and banking industries, as well as for the United States Government.

CONTACT: SCI Systems Inc., Huntsville
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-30- 1023
#90262b0824 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire
HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Shawmut National Corp. Wednesday announced a quarterly dividend on the corporation's common stock. The common stock dividend is 25 cents per common share, payable on Oct. 20, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sep. 30, 1990.

Shawmut National Corp. is a superregional bank holding company with headquarters in Hartford, Conn., and Boston, Mass. The corporation has a branch network of approximately 400 offices in New England. Its principal subsidiaries are Connecticut National Bank in Hartford and Shawmut Bank in Boston.

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#90262b0825 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire
RALEIGH, NC (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The directors of Carolina Power & Light Co. (NYSE: CPL) meeting in Southport, N.C. on Sept. 19 declared

quarterly dividends on common and preferred stock, elected a new board member and named a new executive vice president, senior vice president, and two vice presidents.

The directors also adopted a resolution honoring board member and executive vice president Edward G. Lilly Jr., who will retire on Nov. 1 after more than 19 years of service with the company during which time he provided financial leadership for a tremendous expansion of company assets and capital.

Sherwood H. Smith Jr., chairman, noted that: ''During Ed Lilly's many years of service, the company has substantially lowered its costs of capital.''

A quarterly dividend of 73 cents per share on CP&L's common stock was declared payable Nov. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Oct. 10, 1990.

Elected to the board and named executive vice president upon Lilly's retirement is senior vice president Charles D. Barham Jr. Barham is presently head of legal, rates and information services. As executive vice president, he will be responsible for the financial and administrative group.

Effective Nov. 1, Richard E. Jones, currently vice president, general counsel and secretary, will become senior vice president of legal and regulatory services. He will continue to serve as general counsel and secretary. H. Ray Starling, associate general counsel, will become manager of the legal department.

The newly elected vice presidents are R.B. Richey, manager of the Harris Nuclear Project, and Gerald E. Vaughn, manager of the nuclear services department.

Dividends at the prescribed rate for preferred stock are $1.25 per share on the $5 series; $1.05 per share on the $4.20 series; $1.36 on the $5.44 series; $1.93 on the $7.72 series; $1.9875 on the $7.95 series; $2.12 on the $8.48 series; and $2.275 on the $9.10 series.

The preferred dividends are payable Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 19, 1990.

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Wayne Ennis, 919/546-6189

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#90262b0834 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire

PHOENIX (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Del Webb Corp. (NYSE:WBB) announced Wednesday that D.S. Kennedy & Co., a San Francisco-based money manager, has purchased 910,900 Del Webb shares from Industrial Equity (Pacific) Ltd.

The purchase represents approximately 9.7 percent of the company's outstanding common stock.

Philip J. Dion, chairman and chief executive officer of Del Webb, commented on the development, ''We are pleased to have D.S. Kennedy & Co., and its clients, as new Del Webb shareholders. Their purchase is gratifying as it indicates a growing awareness of the inherent values of Del Webb Corporation which earned $1.45 per share in fiscal 1990. We remain optimistic that Wall Street will further appreciate the success of our reorganization over the past two years.''

Del Webb Corp., based in Phoenix, is the nation's leading developer of master-planned active adult communities.

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-30- 1257
#90262b0845 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Wednesday announced a five-cent decrease in the domestic spot selling price of electrolytic copper.

Its new price, which is effective immediately, is $1.32 per pound for cathodes on a delivered basis.

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-30- 506
#90262b0849 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (NYSE:FTX) board of directors Wednesday declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.46875 per share on its $1.875 convertible exchangeable preferred stock for the period Aug. 1 thru Oct. 31, 1990, payable on Nov. 1, 1990, to preferred shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 15, 1990.

The preferred shares are convertible into FTX common stock at $23.14 each.

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-30- 741
#90262b0851 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire
WYOMISSING, PA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Sovereign Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:SVRN) Wednesday announced that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 135,000 shares, or approximately 5 percent, of the company's outstanding common stock.

Sovereign Bancorp has over 2.7 million shares of common stock outstanding.

The repurchases are authorized to be made from time to time in open market or privately negotiated transactions as, in the opinion of management, market conditions may warrant. Repurchased shares will be held as treasury stock, available for general corporate purposes.

The current price of Sovereign's stock is about 50 percent of the company's tangible book value.

According to Jay S. Sidhu, president and chief executive officer, ''Sovereign's board does not believe that the current market price adequately reflects our value, which can create an excellent opportunity for a possible buyback.''

Chairman Frederick J. Jaindl noted that the repurchase plan will not affect Sovereign's capital position materially, and its subsidiaries, Penn Savings Bank and Yardley Bank for Savings, will continue to exceed all fully phased-in capital requirements.

''For the third quarter, we expect earnings growth to continue to show the same trend as in previous quarters this year,'' said Sidhu. For the first six months of 1990, earnings were up 8 percent over the first six months of 1989.

Sovereign's assets exceed $1.2 billion, and its subsidiaries operate 19 retail banking offices and four limited service offices in southeastern Pennsylvania.

Sovereign's stock is listed on the NASDAQ-OTC National Market System and closed at $10 on Tuesday, Sept. 18.

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-30- 1998
#90262b0852 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - National Patent Development Corp. (AMEX/PSE: NPD) Wednesday said that under the terms of an Indenture, $12,320,800 of its 12 percent Subordinated Debentures due 1997 have become exchangeable for its common stock at a price of approximately $5 per share.

If the bonds are exchanged, the company's long-term debt and related interest expense will decrease.

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NASHVILLE, TN (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Southern Hospitality Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:SHOS) Wednesday reported net income of $294,446 or 5 cents per share for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, compared with earnings of $101,688 or 2 cents for the same period last year.

This represents a 190 percent increase in earnings.

Southern Hospitality is a regional chain of 25 Wendy's restaurants headquartered in Nashville. The company's stock is traded over the counter.

SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY CORP.
Financial Highlights
Three Months Ended

	8/31/90	8/31/89
Net sales	$ 5,389,776	$ 5,794,010
Net earnings	294,446	101,688
Earnings per share	5 cents	2 cents
Average shares outstanding	5,566,566	5,536,566

CONTACT: Southern Hospitality Corp., Nashville
David J. McDaniel, 615/871-0700

-30- 1180

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - American General Corp. (NYSE:AGC) Wednesday announced that the board of directors has authorized management to add a restructuring plan as an alternative to the current efforts to sell the company as a whole.

This revises the sale process originally announced at the May 2 annual shareholders' meeting.

The restructuring plan would provide for the sale of the Home Service insurance companies--which account for over half of American General's current operating earnings--and the continuation of a publicly-owned holding company

composed of the remaining operations.

''There are four primary reasons for taking this action now,'' said Harold S. Hook, chairman and chief executive officer. ''First, although we will continue in our efforts to sell the company as a whole, the interest shown thus far in the process has been primarily in the parts--particularly Home Service--and not in acquiring the entire company. Second, we believe that the new restructuring plan is the 'next-best' alternative to the sale of the company as a whole.

''Third, in order to implement this restructuring plan on a basis that is attractive both to potential buyers and American General shareholders, a number of steps involving the realignment of American General's businesses may be required. And finally, we believe that the current international and economic uncertainty has reduced the probability of completing a transaction of the size and complexity represented by the sale of the company as a whole.''

The restructuring plan would require a favorable ruling from the Internal Revenue Service, as well as other federal and state regulatory approvals, which would take several months.

Currently, American General has three business segments: Insurance-Home Service, Insurance-Special Markets, and Finance/Real Estate.

American General's Home Service subsidiaries, which would be sold under the restructuring alternative, include those companies that concentrate on the selling and servicing of traditional insurance products directly through employee agents. These Home Service companies have assets of $8.9 billion, equity of $3.0 billion, and in 1989 generated earnings of $305 million.

The new American General would include the two remaining business segments, and on a pro forma basis would have assets of $24.9 billion, equity of $3.5 billion, and earned $235 million in 1989.

The principal businesses of the new American General would include tax-qualified annuities sold through The Variable Annuity Life Insurance Co. (VALIC), consumer finance operations conducted by American General Finance, ordinary life insurance sold in niche markets through American General's ordinary life insurance subsidiaries, and real estate operations.

While the company is pursuing these alternatives vigorously, there can be no assurance at this time that this or any other alternative transaction can be consummated.

American General is an insurance and financial services organization with assets of $34 billion and total equity of $4.5 billion. Headquartered in Houston, the company has subsidiaries that operate in 50 states and Canada. American General common stock is listed on the New York, Pacific, London, and

Swiss stock exchanges.

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-30- 3623
#90262b0872 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire
CHESTNUT HILL, MA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The Neiman Marcus Group Inc. (NYSE:NMG) has declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of five cents per share on the company's common stock, payable Oct. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 15, 1990.

The Neiman Marcus Group is a leading specialty retailer. Its three operating units are Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman and Contempo Casuals.

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#90262b0882 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire
ZURICH, SWITZERLAND (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Philip Morris Companies Inc. announced Wednesday that after the expiration of its Public Tender Offer to acquire Jacobs Suchard AG it controls 99.6% of voting rights and 99.4% of equity in Jacobs Suchard AG.

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#90262b0885 09/19/1990 ~Business Wire
BURLINGTON, MA (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Cognos Inc. (TSE:CSN; NASDAQ:COGNF) Wednesday announced results for its second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

All financial results are reported in Canadian dollars.

Revenues were $32.8 million compared with $29.1 million for the same period last year, representing a 13 percent year over year increase.
Pre-tax income was $1.7 million, net after tax income was $1.1 million and earnings per share were 10 cents for the quarter. This compares with a net loss of $6.2 million and a per share loss of 59 cents for the corresponding period last year.

Revenues for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990 were $63.4 million, compared with $49.9 million for the same period last year, representing a 27 percent year over year increase. Net after tax income was $1.5 million and earnings per share were 14 cents. This compares with a net after tax loss of $10.2 million and a loss per share of 98 cents for the same period last year.

Michael Potter, Cognos chairman and chief executive officer said, ''This continuing improvement in financial performance is attributed to the quality of our recently released and enhanced products, and ongoing emphasis on productivity and cost controls. We continue to meet the growth and earnings targets set since the reorganization and realignment of the company some nine months ago. Cognos has reported profits in each of its last three fiscal quarters. We have accomplished this despite a general economic slowdown and some specific weaknesses in the industry.''

Potter continued, ''The recently enhanced user interface for Cognos' PowerHouse 4GL contributed significantly to revenue in the quarter. Additionally, the complementary end-user products introduced earlier this year have achieved rapid market acceptance and accounted for 10 percent of the company's total license sales during the second quarter.

''The improved competitiveness of our products, combined with strengthened marketing and sales programs, led to a sales productivity increase of some 30percent this quarter compared to our second quarter last year. This was accomplished while holding quarterly operating expenses in line with the prior year and generating a positive cash flow for the quarter. We are pleased with our progress to date and believe Cognos is well positioned for further improved performance during the second half of the current fiscal year,'' Potter concluded.

Cognos markets application development software used on mid-range computers. The publicly-held company is headquartered in Ottawa, Canada, with worldwide sales, service and marketing operations based in Burlington, Mass. Its PowerHouse product is used at over 15,000 installations in 68 countries.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - General Development Corp. (NYSE:GDV) Wednesday announced it has entered into a plea agreement with the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Florida in the pending

criminal proceeding against GDC.

Terms of the agreement include the company pleading guilty to one count of the original 16-count indictment and providing for a restitution program as part of its Chapter 11 reorganization.

If the agreement is approved by U.S. Bankruptcy Judge A. Jay Cristol and by U.S. District Judge Lenore Nesbitt, the scheduled Jan. 7, 1991 trial of the company would be canceled.

The company agreed to plead guilty to one count of having conspired through certain of its officers to violate the Federal mail fraud statute in connection with the sale of its homes.

The company also agreed to allow total restitution claims of up to $160 million for persons who purchased General Development homes between Jan. 1, 1983, and Jan. 1, 1990.

The claims would be for the amount that the sales price of the home, net of certain credits, exceeded its appraised value. There are approximately 10,230 purchasers who could be eligible to make claims under the program.

Under the agreement, a special master will be appointed to receive and approve restitution claims. In order to be eligible for restitution, a home purchaser will file a claim with the special master.

The special master will obtain independent appraisals for the house as of the time of purchase and determine the amount of the restitution claim. Persons who bought homes during the seven-year period and had independent appraisals done, or who received third-party financing, will not be eligible for restitution.

Restitution claims will be allowed in the Bankruptcy Court as undisputed general unsecured claims and will be payable pursuant to a reorganization plan for the company.

The Bankruptcy Court will determine the total amount to be paid on these claims and the terms and timing of the payments as part of the confirmation of the plan of reorganization of the company.

A hearing on the plea agreement has been scheduled by Bankruptcy Judge Cristol for Sept. 26.

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#90262c0002 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - Implant Technology Inc.(TICKER: IMLT) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1,125,000 units.

Each unit consists of three shares of common stock and two redeemable common stock purchase warrants.

It is anticipated the initial public offering price will be between $4.00 and $4.50 per unit.

F.N. Wolf & Co. Inc. is underwriting the offering.

Implant Technology is engaged in the design, development and marketing of selected orthopedic implant systems and products, primarily reconstructive hip implants and related surgical instrumentation.

The company's executive office is located at 400 Plaza Drive, Secaucus, NJ 07094 and its telephone number is (201) 866-7701.

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#90262c0003 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - Basic Petroleum International Ltd. (TICKER: BPIL) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it earned $260,000, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $7.44 million for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.16 million, or $0.63 per share, on revenues of $6.61 million for the same period ended a year earlier.

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#90262c0004 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - Ratners Group plc (TICKER: RATN) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it earned $10.58 million but lost $0.09 per share after preference dividends, on revenues of $648.71 million for the six-month period ended Aug. 4, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $16.45 million, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $528 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90262c0006 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - Brent Walker Group plc has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts for ordinary shares of the par value of 10

pence each of The Brent Walker Group plc.

The depositary bank is The Bank of New York and its telephone number is (212) 495-1727.

Fifty million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $10 per unit.

The registration fee is $1,250.

NOTE: The unit price of $10 is estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee. Each unit represents 100 American Depositary Shares.

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#90262c0007 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - Bank Leumi Le-Israel (TICKER: BKLM) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it earned 40.89 million New Israeli Shekels (NIS), or 5.78 NIS per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of 45.50 million NIS, or 6.43 NIS per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90262c0008 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

HAMBLIN WATSA INVESTMENT COUNSEL LTD OF TORONTO, ONTARIO OWNS 4,736,829 SHARES (16.99%) OF MAGNA INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: MAGA) OF MARKHAM, ONTARIO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 5 through Sept. 11, 1990, Hamblin Watsa Investment Counsel LTD acquired $9,941,000 in par value of Magna Int'l Inc.'s 7 percent convertible subordinated bonds through purchases from market makers at prices of $47 to $47.50 per $100 U.S.

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#90262c0009 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

D.P. COOK OWNS 48,000 SHARES (.70%) OF AMTECH CORP (TICKER: AMTC) OF 9/17/90.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Cook ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of common stock of the company on September 4, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

D.P. Cook sold 584,747 shares from July 27 to Sept. 11, 1990 for $10 to $16.38 per share.

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#90262c0010 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY J. SILVER AS TRUSTEE OWNS 310,500 SHARES (4.80%) OF STAFF BUILDERS INC (TICKER: sbli) OF LAKE SUCCESS, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J. Silver as Trustee ceased to be the beneficial owners of more than five percent of the shares on Aug. 24, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 23, 1990 Mr. Silver sold 15,000 shares at a price of $2.25 per share and on Aug. 24, 1990 Jack Silver, as Trustee of the Siar Corp. Money Purchase Pension Plan sold 24,500 shares at a price of $2.63 per share.

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#90262c0011 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

R.C. SAUNDERS OWNS 132,085 SHARES (7.97%) OF CYBERMEDIC INC (TICKER: CMED) OF LOUISVILLE, CO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 7 through 29, 1990 R.C. Saunders purchased 37,125 shares at a price of $3.53 to $4.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

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#90262c0012 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

TELEMETRIX PLC OWNS 4,248,300 SHARES (56.60%) OF GTI CORP (TICKER: GTI) OF SAN DIEGO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the common stock subscription agreement, dated June 29, 1990 by and between GTI and telemetrix, Telemetrix acquired 2,500,000 shares of GTI common stock for $7,500,000 consideration paid in cash. The purpose of the Telemetrix agreement was to provide a portion of the funds required by GTI in connection with its acquisition of 91 percent of the outstanding capital stock of Valor Electronics Inc.

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#90262c0014 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 335,000 SHARES (6.37%) OF KASLER CORP (TICKER: KASL) OF HIGHLAND, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 5, 1990, Fidelity International LTD sold 10,000 shares at a price of $11 per share.

PURPOSE:

To acquire an equity interest in the company.

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#90262c0015 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 335,000 SHARES (6.37%) OF KASLER CORP (TICKER: KASL) OF HIGHLAND, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 11-17, 1990, FMR Corp. sold 107,000 shares at a price of $13.37 to $13.63 per share and purchased 213,000 shares from Aug. 6 to Sept. 7, 1990 for $9.75 to $11.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

To acquire an equity interest in the company.

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#90262c0016 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 13, 1990, the defendants in the litigation styled Justin Industries Inc.(TICKER: JSTN) v. Choctaw Securities LP(TICKER: TLAM), et al., Civil Action No. CA4-90-379K, filed a motion for leave to file their second amended counterclaim and third party claims for injunctive relief, and a motion for an order requiring Justin to hold an annual shareholders' meeting for the election of directors.

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#90262c0018 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY PRIVATE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC OWNS 201,400 SHARES (7.37%) OF GREAT BAY BANKSHARES INC (TICKER: GBBS) OF DOVER, NH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 1, 1990 through Sept. 11, 1990, Private Captital Management Inc. purchased 29,000 shares at a price of $6.08 to $6.43 per share.

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#90262c0019 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

HENLEY GROUP INC DEL OF HAMPTON, NH OWNS 14,025,000 SHARES (32.50%) OF ITEL CORP (TICKER: ITL) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 13, 1990 Itel Corp. repurchased 4,675,000 of its common shares at $18 per share pursuant to the terms of the Itel agreement.

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#90262c0020 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 31, 1990 Control Techniques USA entered into an option agreement among itself, L.F. Modi and certain other shareholders under which Control agreed that on or before Sept. 5, 1990 Control would deliver an offer to Electronic Control Systems Inc.(TICKER: ELCS) proposing a merger of Control with Electronic Control Systems Inc. Under the merger agreement, each common share of Electronic Control Systems Inc. not owned by Control would be converted into the right to receive $2.43 or no less than $2.38 per share after expenses. Under the option, each optionholder has agreed that if Control or an affiliate enters into a merger agreement with Electronic Control Systems Inc., each optionholder will vote all common shares they hold in favor of the merger. The option shareholders currently own 443,582 common shares representing a 46.7 percent interest. Also under the option agreement, each optionholder, if given notice, will take necessary actions to cause a majority of Electronic Control Systems Inc. board of directors to consist of nominees of Control. On Sept. 5 Control delivered the offer to Electronic Control Systems Inc. and on Sept. 10 forwarded a form of merger agreement for

Electronic Control Systems Inc.'s consideration. The termination date for the offer has been set at Sept. 29, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Option agreement.

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#90262c0021 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

PRESTON INVESTMENTS LTD OWNS 6,565,589 SHARES (42.75%) OF ABOVE TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: ABVE) OF IRVINE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 4, 1990 G. Brad Beckstead, president and a director of Preston Investments LTD, was elected to Above Technologies Inc.'s board of directors. On Sept. 6, 1990 Robert Rafferty and Brenda Jaeck, the holders of 60.31 percent of Above Technologies Inc. common shares, agreed to sell 2.4 million of their Above Technologies Inc. common shares to Preston Investments LTD for $480,000. Rafferty and Jaeck also agreed to resign as officers and directors of Above Technologies Inc. and to donate back to Above Technologies Inc. 11,781,767 of their common shares, reducing the amount outstanding to 12,560,285 shares. On Sept. 6, 1990 the registrant's board granted Preston Investments LTD an option to purchase 2.4 million common shares in consideration of the agreement with Rafferty and Jaeck. The option is exercisable at $.75 per share for three years.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of voting control.

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#90262c0023 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY F.C. ERMEL OWNS 517,730 SHARES (22.20%) OF WIENER ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: WPB) OF HARAHAN, LA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the previously described purchase agreement, amended to extend the expiration date from Sept. 11 to 13, 1990, F.C. Ermel purchased 517,730 shares for $1.12 per share.

PURPOSE:

Stock purchase agreement.

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#90262c0024 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - Mechanicsburg, Pa.-based Continental Medical Systems (TICKER: CONT) Inc. has acquired a controlling 80 percent interest in Alta Petens Inc., Communi-Care of America Inc. and Pro-Rehab Inc., three Boone, N.C.-based companies that provide physical, occupational and speech therapy services, for $3.8 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 17, 1990.

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#90262c0025 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - Las Vegas-based Horn & Hardhart Co. (TICKER: HOR) has sold its Bojangles'Chicken 'N Biscuits restaurant chain to BJ Acquisition, a private, Los Angeles investment company consisting of Interwest Partners and Sienna Holdings, for $20 million principal amount of debentures, and the assumption of liabilities.

Richard Campbell, a former regional vice president of the Kentucky Fried Chicken chain, is the president of BJ Acquisition, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 17, 1990.

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#90262c0026 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - Vancouver-based North American Metals Corp. (TICKER: NAMV) has agreed to sell $14 million (Canadian) in gold bullion to San Francisco-based Homestake Mining Co. of California to help repay short-term debt of $12.7 million and to finance the balance of costs associated with the company's Golden Bear Project, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Homestake owns 73 percent of North American Metals.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 17, 1990.

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#90262c0027 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - Columbus, Ohio-based First Ameri-Cable Corp. (TICKER: FATV) the owner of cable-television franchises, has sold almost all of its assets to TCI Holdings Inc. for $40 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 17, 1990.

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#90262c0028 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - Minneapolis-based MEI Diversified Inc. (TICKER: MEI) has acquired a controlling 80 percent interest in The Glemby Co. Inc., Essanelle Salon Co. and Maxim's Beauty Salons Inc., which operate 2,000 professional beauty salons in the U.S. and Canada, for $64 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 17, 1990.

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#90262c0029 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - Shareholders of Santa Clarita National Bank of Santa Clarita, Calif., will vote at a special meeting October 26 on the proposed acquisition of the bank by Security Pacific Corp.,(TICKER: SPC) the Los Angeles banking giant, in a stock-swap merger valued at $45.5 million to $52.5 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 17, 1990.

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#90262c0031 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

J.P. CROSBY OWNS 169,916 SHARES (6.73%) OF USA BANCORP INC (TICKER: USAB) OF BOSTON, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

From July 19 through Sept 6, 1990, J.P. Crosby purchased 181,500 shares at a price of $2.88 to $5.38 per share. The first $500,000 worth of such purchases were made pursuant to the employment agreement.

PURPOSE:

Investment and as the first step in seeking working control of the company.

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#90262c0032 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY G.P. MEHL OWNS 341,213 SHARES (28.70%) OF MCS TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC (TICKER: MTEL) OF TUCSON, AZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Mehls acquired their shares pursuant to Mr. Dornette's exercise of the options, and by agreement with the Dornettes with respect to the other shares. The Mehls are considering the effects that a possible recapitalization or restructuring of the company might have, or a merger, sale of assets, or issuance of additional stock, or to seek to terminate the registration of the shares under the SE Act of 1934.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On or after Sept. 6, 1990, George and David Mehl each purchased an additional 21,250 shares for a toal of 42,500 shares of the company's common stock at a price of $.0125 per share, or an aggregate consideration of $2,656.25 from personal funds.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90262c0033 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY W.S. FRIEDMAN OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 2,133,704 SHARES (32.40%) OF AMERICAN REALTY TR (TICKER: ARB) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On June 29, 1990, W.S. Friedman purchased 400,000 shares and sold 400,000 shares for $3 per share. From Aug. 6 to Sept. 7, 1990, W.S. Friedman transacted 816,416 shares at a price of $2.50 to $3.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90262c0034 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 6,145 SHARES AT $2.10 PER SHARE.

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#90262c0035 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

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#90262c0036 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,598,330.

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#90262c0037 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP.

(TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 3,917 SHARES AT $1.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,489.

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#90262c0039 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT K LANDON, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 376,846.

-30- 361
#90262c0040 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HORNBY TRADING INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

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#90262c0041 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, BERNICE E LAVIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,063,712.

-30- 346
#90262c0042 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, LEONARD H LAVIN, CHAIRMAN OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 644,770.

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#90262c0043 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

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#90262c0044 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

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#90262c0045 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

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#90262c0047 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

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#90262c0048 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

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#90262c0049 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

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#90262c0050 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,842,299.

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#90262c0051 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MAX BOTEL, DIR. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

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#90262c0052 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DEBORAH A DOVE, OFFICER OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

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#90262c0053 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DEBORAH A DOVE, OFFICER OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

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#90262c0055 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RICHARD A GREENAWALT, PRES. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 1,675 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,054.

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#90262c0056 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ANDREW D STEINER, DIR. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,000.

-30- 305
#90262c0057 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT GLENN TOINTON, DIR. OF AFFILIATED BANKSHARES OF COLORADO INC. (TICKER: AFBK), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 240,000.

-30- 366
#90262c0058 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT C BISHOP, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,602.

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#90262c0059 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD W ULMER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,588.

-30- 328
#90262c0060 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT J BARTZOKAS, VP OF AMERADA HESS CORP. (TICKER: AHC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $51.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,298.

-30- 315
#90262c0061 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, ANTHONY R WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90262c0063 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, ANTHONY R WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90262c0064 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WALKER E BLOUNT JR, DIR. OF ALICO INC. (TICKER: ALCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90262c0065 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WALKER E BLOUNT JR, DIR. OF ALICO INC. (TICKER: ALCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 298
#90262c0066 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, GORDON W BENTLEY, OFFICER OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER: ALOT), SOLD 1,253 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90262c0067 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, HERMANN VIETS, DIR. OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER: ALOT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 298
#90262c0068 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $11.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90262c0069 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90262c0071 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT D WEIST, SHAREHOLDER OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101,970.

-30- 315
#90262c0072 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM F BRANDT JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN WOODMARK CORP. (TICKER: AMWD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,933,889.

-30- 378
#90262c0073 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90262c0074 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90262c0075 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90262c0076 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258

#90262c0077 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90262c0079 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90262c0080 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,645.

-30- 295
#90262c0081 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90262c0082 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90262c0083 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301

#90262c0084 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90262c0085 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 29, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 340
#90262c0087 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90262c0088 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90262c0089 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90262c0090 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90262c0091 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90262c0092 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90262c0093 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90262c0095 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,400.

-30- 341
#90262c0096 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN A CRICHTON, DIR. OF ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. (TICKER: ARSD), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 194,546.

-30- 344
#90262c0097 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JOHN A CHMURA, VP OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90262c0098 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN A CHMURA, VP OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 292
#90262c0099 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PHILIP J FOX, OFFICER OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 299
#90262c0100 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90262c0101 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 308
#90262c0103 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CLIFFORD H TUTTLE JR, CHAIRMAN OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 314
#90262c0104 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, KENNETH F YONTZ, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 301
#90262c0105 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90262c0106 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90262c0107 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90262c0108 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90262c0109 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 1,638 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,348,635.

-30- 358
#90262c0111 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 16, 1990, WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), SOLD 2,600 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 923,517.

-30- 378
#90262c0112 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90262c0113 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90262c0114 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90262c0115 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90262c0116 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90262c0117 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90262c0119 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90262c0120 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90262c0121 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90262c0122 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90262c0123 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90262c0124 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90262c0125 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90262c0127 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c0128 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c0129 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c0130 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c0131 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c0132 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c0133 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c0135 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c0136 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c0137 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c0138 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c0139 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c0140 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c0141 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 338
#90262c0143 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0144 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288

#90262c0145 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90262c0146 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0147 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0148 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0149 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0151 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290

#90262c0152 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0153 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0154 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0155 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0156 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 331
#90262c0157 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90262c0159 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90262c0160 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90262c0161 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90262c0162 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90262c0163 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90262c0164 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90262c0165 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90262c0167 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90262c0168 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90262c0169 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90262c0170 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90262c0171 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 364
#90262c0172 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HARRIET BENSON, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $43.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,005.

-30- 286
#90262c0173 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PIETER P BONSEN, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $44.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,981.

-30- 292
#90262c0175 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GARY S LYMAN, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $45.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,289.

-30- 285
#90262c0176 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JANE E SHAW, PRES. OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 37,978 SHARES AT $45.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 292
#90262c0177 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JANE E SHAW, PRES. OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $44.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,106.

-30- 287
#90262c0178 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90262c0179 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90262c0180 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90262c0181 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90262c0183 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 446,228.

-30- 315
#90262c0184 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DARNELL MARTIN, VP OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 1,155 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,638.

-30- 311
#90262c0185 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WALTER H ALFORD, DIR. OF BARNETT BANKS INC. (TICKER:

BBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 315
#90262c0186 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 1,143 SHARES AT $7.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90262c0187 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 1,143 SHARES AT $7.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 806,987.

-30- 324
#90262c0188 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HAROLD W KOSTEN, OFFICER OF BALDOR ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: BEZ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90262c0189 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HAROLD W KOSTEN, OFFICER OF BALDOR ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: BEZ), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,148.

-30- 324
#90262c0191 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 282,750.

-30- 346

#90262c0192 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 282,750.

-30- 343
#90262c0193 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 286,000.

-30- 361
#90262c0194 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 7,279 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90262c0195 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM J ARMANINO, PRES. OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE), SOLD 233,000 SHARES AT $0.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,943,924.

-30- 354
#90262c0196 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90262c0197 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90262c0199 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,209,225.

-30- 328
#90262c0200 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90262c0201 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90262c0202 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 29,800 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 588,475.

-30- 328
#90262c0203 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c0204 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c0205 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c0207 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 31,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c0208 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,959,100.

-30- 335
#90262c0209 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JAMES O WRIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF BADGER METER INC. (TICKER: BMI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.49 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 318
#90262c0210 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOR W KONWIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 87,214 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,285.

-30- 371

#90262c0211 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DONALD C UKKESTAD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 87,214 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,285.

-30- 377
#90262c0212 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOMAS E WINTER, DIR. OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 100,103 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 861,171.

-30- 327
#90262c0213 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c0215 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $2.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c0216 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c0217 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c0218 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c0219 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c0220 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c0221 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c0223 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 19, 1990, ROBERT A KEEGAN, VP OF BONNEVILLE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: BPCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c0224 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $11.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90262c0225 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c0226 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c0227 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 84,100.

-30- 336
#90262c0228 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 187 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90262c0229 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 937 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90262c0231 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90262c0232 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90262c0233 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90262c0234 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90262c0235 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90262c0236 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90262c0237 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90262c0239 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 487 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90262c0240 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 3,637 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90262c0241 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,650 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90262c0242 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 225 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90262c0243 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 698 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,406,384.

-30- 352
#90262c0244 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, MICHAEL MINIKES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS

COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90262c0245 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, UZI ZUCKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90262c0247 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c0248 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c0249 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 22,700 SHARES AT $5.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 161,419.

-30- 327
#90262c0250 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90262c0251 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90262c0252 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90262c0253 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,925 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90262c0255 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90262c0256 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90262c0257 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90262c0258 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90262c0259 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90262c0260 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,752,947.

-30- 362
#90262c0261 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JEFFREY J SHEARER, VP OF BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: BV), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 219,664.

-30- 338
#90262c0263 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATHAN SHAPIRO, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,250.

-30- 351
#90262c0264 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT SHAPIRO, BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,400.

-30- 329
#90262c0265 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT SHAPIRO, BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 117,000.

-30- 333
#90262c0266 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, SHERWOOD J TARLOW, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90262c0267 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SHERWOOD J TARLOW, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB), SOLD 16,656 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,822.

-30- 330
#90262c0268 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROGER LEE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAESARS WORLD INC. (TICKER: CAW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,000.

-30- 327
#90262c0269 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90262c0271 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP.

(TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,194.

-30- 330
#90262c0272 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALAN PARSOW, DIR. OF CAMPBELL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CCH), SOLD 10,850 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,536.

-30- 321
#90262c0273 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, GEORGE KERN, OFFICER OF CONTEL CELLULAR INC. (TICKER: CCXL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 316
#90262c0274 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $27.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90262c0275 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 393,137.

-30- 342
#90262c0276 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281

#90262c0277 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c0279 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c0280 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c0281 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c0282 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,700 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c0283 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281

#90262c0284 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,500.

-30- 317
#90262c0285 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHARLES T CONDY, SHAREHOLDER OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c0287 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 15, 1988, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 7,407 SHARES AT $3.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,738,764.

-30- 328
#90262c0288 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1989, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 4,332 SHARES AT $3.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,433,279.

-30- 328
#90262c0289 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 24, 1989, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,466 SHARES AT $3.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,759,401.

-30- 328
#90262c0290 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90262c0291 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90262c0292 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 28, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,040.

-30- 310
#90262c0293 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN E GRONINGER, DIR. OF CONSUMERS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,837.

-30- 331
#90262c0295 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PETER T MAHER, DIR. OF COMFED BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 311
#90262c0296 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT C BURGESS, DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 305
#90262c0297 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JAMES W CLARK, OFFICER OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,250.

-30- 314
#90262c0298 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WILLIAM W GASTON, DIR. OF GOLDEN POULTRY CO. (TICKER: CHIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,357.

-30- 316
#90262c0299 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90262c0300 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90262c0301 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,550.

-30- 334
#90262c0303 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 331
#90262c0304 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ALLAN S HOLDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $12.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,940.

-30- 350
#90262c0305 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM R KUNTZ JR, VP OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c0306 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLIAM R KUNTZ JR, VP OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,835.

-30- 324
#90262c0307 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ARTHUR J NAGLE, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,000.

-30- 324
#90262c0308 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90262c0309 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90262c0311 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1989, HERBERT C PELL III, DIR. OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE), BOUGHT 54,904 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,904.

-30- 342
#90262c0312 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL L DOWLING, DIR. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 2,325 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c0313 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, GOLDEN OIL CO, BEN. OWNER OF COBB RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: COBB), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,006,603.

-30- 336
#90262c0314 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WESLEY J BAHR, DIR. OF COLLECTIVE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: COFD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 312
#90262c0315 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CHARLES J MOHR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90262c0316 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES J MOHR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,121.

-30- 339
#90262c0317 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ARTHUR O STERN, OFFICER OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,558.

-30- 322
#90262c0319 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ARTHUR C BASS, PRES. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), SOLD 69,053 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,947.

-30- 323
#90262c0320 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES A STEINBACK, BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 12,600 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c0321 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES A STEINBACK, BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 556,800.

-30- 320
#90262c0322 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EVA D PEREZ, OFFICER OF CARE PLUS INC. (TICKER: CPLS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90262c0323 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EVA D PEREZ, OFFICER OF CARE PLUS INC. (TICKER: CPLS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90262c0324 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90262c0325 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90262c0327 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90262c0328 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90262c0329 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90262c0330 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,544,962.

-30- 315
#90262c0331 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GREGORY E PETSCH, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 18,600 SHARES AT $55.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90262c0332 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GREGORY E PETSCH, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 6,200 SHARES AT $55.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90262c0333 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 850 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90262c0335 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $52.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90262c0336 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER:

CPQ), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $52.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90262c0337 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 172 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90262c0338 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BENJAMIN M ROSEN, DIR. OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,244.

-30- 321
#90262c0339 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LOUART CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF CERTRON CORP. (TICKER: CRTN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90262c0340 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LOUART CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF CERTRON CORP. (TICKER: CRTN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,125,200.

-30- 315
#90262c0341 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, SANDRA A KNELL, OFFICER OF COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: CRV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0343 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MICHAEL M TOMIC, DIR. OF CHAMPIONS SPORTS INC. (TICKER: CSBR), SOLD 750,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,979,999.

-30- 340
#90262c0344 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROBERT G SWEIFACH, DIR. OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,000.

-30- 318
#90262c0345 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, PAUL W CHRISTENSEN JR, DIR. OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,001.

-30- 330
#90262c0346 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, WILLIAM A FRIEDLANDER, DIR. OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,101.

-30- 328
#90262c0347 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HARVEY A BOOKSTEIN, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,000.

-30- 322
#90262c0348 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 67,700 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0349 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90262c0351 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90262c0352 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 105,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 396,900.

-30- 321
#90262c0353 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GERALD J MALYS, VP OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), SOLD 1,156 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 306
#90262c0354 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0355 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER:

CYN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90262c0356 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90262c0357 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0359 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0360 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,229.

-30- 318
#90262c0361 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1989, EDWARD R FUNK, CHAIRMAN OF DANNINGER MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: DANN), BOUGHT 10,430 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90262c0362 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0363 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c0364 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,390,900.

-30- 339
#90262c0365 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, BRENTON S HALSEY, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c0367 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, A GILFILLAN GRAEME, DIR. OF DYNASTY CLASSICS CORP. (TICKER: DNST), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 320
#90262c0368 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90262c0369 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90262c0370 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 314
#90262c0371 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL G KALMAN, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90262c0372 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, PAUL G KALMAN, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,610.

-30- 291
#90262c0373 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES A KNISTER, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90262c0375 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, TIMOTHY J FRETTHOLD, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,855.

-30- 343
#90262c0376 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROGER R HEMMINGHAUS, CHAIRMAN OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0377 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROGER R HEMMINGHAUS, CHAIRMAN OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,432.

-30- 333
#90262c0378 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, A W O'DONNELL, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,606.

-30- 337
#90262c0379 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J E PRATER, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,056.

-30- 331
#90262c0380 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HARRY D WRIGHT, VP OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,116.

-30- 315
#90262c0381 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $5.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c0383 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.39 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90262c0384 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $5.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,448,716.

-30- 337
#90262c0385 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN D ZAHARSON, VP OF DOWNEY SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOC. (TICKER: DSL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,775.

-30- 349
#90262c0386 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90262c0387 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90262c0388 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,700.

-30- 296
#90262c0389 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GREGORY L SMITH, OFFICER OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90262c0391 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90262c0392 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90262c0393 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c0394 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 4,800 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90262c0395 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 431,750.

-30- 317
#90262c0396 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90262c0397 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90262c0399 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 257,415.

-30- 307
#90262c0400 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM E S CHRISTIANSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EQUIPMENT CO. OF AMERICA (TICKER: ECOA), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 402,708.

-30- 367
#90262c0401 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 999,999 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 308

#90262c0402 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90262c0403 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 567,000 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90262c0404 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90262c0405 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 340 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000,000.

-30- 341
#90262c0407 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 2,782,494 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c0408 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 605,006 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0409 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $3.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90262c0410 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,434,500.

-30- 329
#90262c0411 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CAROLYN J TOBIAS, VP OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS), SOLD 6,250 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90262c0412 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HARVIE M MERRILL, DIR. OF FIBREBOARD CORP. (TICKER: FBD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 309
#90262c0413 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,750.

-30- 321
#90262c0415 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC.

(TICKER: FCI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,550.

-30- 317
#90262c0416 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT G JONES, DIR. OF SANIFILL INC. (TICKER: FIL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 300
#90262c0417 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, BEN A VALOCCHI, DIR. OF FLAGSHIP FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FLGF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 325
#90262c0418 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 19, 1990, CLARK H MASTERS, VP OF FLOATING POINT SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FLP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,700.

-30- 324
#90262c0419 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GREGORY G BALDWIN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0420 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GREGORY G BALDWIN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,756.

-30- 343

#90262c0421 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, J BOYD BERT JR, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 845.

-30- 331
#90262c0423 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 6,077 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 336.

-30- 298
#90262c0424 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,781.

-30- 304
#90262c0425 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, KATHERINE AUGUST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 234 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90262c0426 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, KATHERINE AUGUST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,500.

-30- 354
#90262c0427 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c0428 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c0429 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c0431 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FARLEY INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), SOLD 3,750,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,250,000.

-30- 330
#90262c0432 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THOMAS J DIETZ, VP OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c0433 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:34 that trade in Cenvill Development Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol CVL.

-30- 329
#90262c0434 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THOMAS J DIETZ, VP OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,233.

-30- 330
#90262c0435 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HOWARD H HAWORTH, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 18,900 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,469.

-30- 317
#90262c0436 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES R LEE, VP OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90262c0437 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, KENNETH G STANCLIFF, OFFICER OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,621.

-30- 324
#90262c0439 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $53.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0440 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $52.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0441 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $51.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0442 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,114,100.

-30- 345
#90262c0443 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN J LOUIS JR, DIR. OF GANNETT CO. (TICKER: GCI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800,538.

-30- 299
#90262c0444 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, NEAL A DEGERSTROM, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: GDEX), BOUGHT 910,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,393,988.

-30- 340
#90262c0445 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, VICTOR POSNER, BEN. OWNER OF GUILFORD MILLS INC. (TICKER: GFD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 960,000.

-30- 327
#90262c0447 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292

#90262c0448 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c0449 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0450 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 989 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0451 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c0452 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0453 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,625.

-30- 331
#90262c0455 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, A I DRAZIN, VP OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 300
#90262c0456 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRED HELLER, CHAIRMAN OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0457 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRED HELLER, CHAIRMAN OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175,840.

-30- 317
#90262c0458 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ARMAND NOSSEN, VP OF GREENMAN BROTHERS INC. (TICKER: GMN), SOLD 1,709 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,250.

-30- 309
#90262c0459 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90262c0460 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90262c0461 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90262c0463 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RALPH T MCELVENNY JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GOLDEN OIL CO. (DEL) (TICKER: GOCO), BOUGHT 80,516 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 871,525.

-30- 378
#90262c0464 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90262c0465 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 30,076 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 905,113.

-30- 370
#90262c0466 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EDWIN G GENERES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GTS CORP. (TICKER: GTSC), SOLD 26,400 SHARES AT $5.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,200.

-30- 321
#90262c0467 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RESEARCH INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF GREATER WASHINGTON INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: GWA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 136,200.

-30- 363
#90262c0468 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JACKIE R SKINNER, SHAREHOLDER OF HALLIBURTON CO. (TICKER: HAL), SOLD 1,003 SHARES AT $55.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,188.

-30- 323
#90262c0469 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,000.

-30- 332
#90262c0471 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HERBERT M PEARLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), BOUGHT 120,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 120,000.

-30- 328
#90262c0472 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90262c0473 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90262c0474 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90262c0475 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,939.

-30- 299
#90262c0476 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0477 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0479 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 317
#90262c0480 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES M BROSTOWITZ, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,886.

-30- 320
#90262c0481 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90262c0482 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 411,500.

-30- 306
#90262c0483 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 31, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 28,000 SHARES AT $1.89 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 710,000.

-30- 304
#90262c0484 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 23, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 303
#90262c0485 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 54,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90262c0487 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 17, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 522,750.

-30- 304
#90262c0488 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $2.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 468,750.

-30- 304
#90262c0489 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 14,750 SHARES AT $0.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 957,284.

-30- 304
#90262c0490 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 22, 1988, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90262c0491 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 23, 1988, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 704,750.

-30- 302
#90262c0492 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 138,000 SHARES AT $2.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,500.

-30- 304
#90262c0493 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 04, 1990, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 853,052.

-30- 302
#90262c0495 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 09, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90262c0496 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 17, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90262c0497 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CHARLES E HARRIS, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0498 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, CHARLES E HARRIS, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 539,724.

-30- 340
#90262c0499 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WILLIAM R POLK, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90262c0500 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM R POLK, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC.

(TICKER: HHGP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,000.

-30- 327
#90262c0501 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PHILIP M SKIDMORE, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,500.

-30- 333
#90262c0503 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 16, 1990, JAY O MARGOLIES, PRES. OF HOLLAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOLL), BOUGHT 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,292,137.

-30- 329
#90262c0504 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 16, 1990, MICHAEL MARGOLIES, CHAIRMAN OF HOLLAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOLL), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,800,987.

-30- 334
#90262c0505 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LARRY D HORNBECK, CHAIRMAN OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HOSS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 257,710.

-30- 344
#90262c0506 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN L SILVA, OFFICER OF HOME PORT BANCORP INC. (TICKER: HPBC), SOLD 3,800 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90262c0507 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RICHARD W SCHULZE, VP OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,539.

-30- 323
#90262c0508 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN R TEITGEN, VP OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,300.

-30- 320
#90262c0509 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF HYDE ATHLETIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HYDE), BOUGHT 3,192 SHARES AT $3.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 310,500.

-30- 349
#90262c0511 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90262c0512 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90262c0513 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL

BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90262c0514 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90262c0515 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90262c0516 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90262c0517 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90262c0519 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0520 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.

(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0521 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0522 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 115,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90262c0523 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0524 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0525 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0527 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.

(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90262c0528 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0529 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0530 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0531 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0532 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0533 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.

(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0535 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0536 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 2,519,979.

-30- 345
#90262c0537 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0538 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0539 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90262c0540 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0541 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90262c0543 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ALAN H HUGGINS, VP OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 550 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,007.

-30- 336
#90262c0544 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, WILLIAM D ALLEN, VP OF INDUSTRIAL FUNDING CORP. (TICKER: IFDC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 318
#90262c0545 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN C APPEL, VP OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,135.

-30- 337
#90262c0546 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, INTER-REGIONAL STK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 73,900 SHARES AT $6.61 PER SHARE.

-30- 344

#90262c0547 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PAUL E REINKEN, DIR. OF IFR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IFRS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,967.

-30- 306
#90262c0548 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF INFORMATION INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: IINT), BOUGHT 3,192 SHARES AT $11.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 369,583.

-30- 356
#90262c0549 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL J JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF II-VI INC. (TICKER: IIVI), BOUGHT 1,215 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 468,697.

-30- 305
#90262c0551 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM B FAZAKERLY, PRES. OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 56,571 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 320,571.

-30- 322
#90262c0552 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DANIEL R HAFEMAN, OFFICER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 13,714 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,429.

-30- 322
#90262c0553 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, INTERVEN II LP, BEN. OWNER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 54,002 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

963,506.

-30- 327
#90262c0554 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, STEPHEN M MCLAUGHLIN, OFFICER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,743.

-30- 326
#90262c0555 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DON V INGRAM, BEN. OWNER OF IMCO RECYCLING INC. (TICKER: IMRI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800,571.

-30- 328
#90262c0556 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DON V INGRAM, BEN. OWNER OF IMCO RECYCLING INC. (TICKER: IMRI), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 363,306.

-30- 328
#90262c0557 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT T BUEHL, DIR. OF INDIANA BANCSHARES INC (TICKER: INBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,934.

-30- 337
#90262c0559 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304

#90262c0560 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 14, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c0561 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 26, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 9,600 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c0562 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90262c0563 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1989, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), BOUGHT 1,020 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,640.

-30- 316
#90262c0564 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 3,900 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90262c0565 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90262c0567 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $32.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c0568 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c0569 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 161,517.

-30- 334
#90262c0570 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DEREK LIDOW, DIV. OFFICER OF INTERNATIONAL RECTIFIER CORP. (TICKER: IRF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 252,185.

-30- 337
#90262c0571 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PHILLIP B ROONEY, DIR. OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90262c0572 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PHILLIP B ROONEY, DIR. OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $45.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 326
#90262c0573 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ALAN DWIGHT BROWNING, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 349
#90262c0575 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90262c0576 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 975 SHARES AT $11.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90262c0577 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90262c0578 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF KANEB SERVICES INC. (TICKER: KAB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 295
#90262c0579 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF KANEB SERVICES INC. (TICKER: KAB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,000.

-30- 295
#90262c0580 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GEORGE A PETERKIN JR, PRES. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90262c0581 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GEORGE A PETERKIN JR, PRES. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 552,910.

-30- 308
#90262c0583 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN H VRZALIK SR, VP OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI), SOLD 10,500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,404.

-30- 321
#90262c0584 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 17,737 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c0585 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,008 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90262c0586 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90262c0587 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c0588 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90262c0589 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,302.

-30- 328
#90262c0591 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90262c0592 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293

#90262c0593 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 05, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90262c0594 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90262c0595 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,220.

-30- 331
#90262c0596 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MARC S HERMELIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF K-V PHARMACEUTICAL CO. (TICKER: KV), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,060.

-30- 346
#90262c0597 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES B STUZIN, CHAIRMAN OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90262c0599 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, RUTH E STUZIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,676 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 711,208.

-30- 382
#90262c0600 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM G COMBS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $41.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,300.

-30- 344
#90262c0601 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, GENERAL ELECTRIC CO, BEN. OWNER OF LODGISTIX INC. (TICKER: LDGX), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0602 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 26, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90262c0603 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90262c0604 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,400.

-30- 304
#90262c0605 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HUGH M PETERS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER:

LEAK), BOUGHT 5,333 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,833.

-30- 322
#90262c0607 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT M RUBIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 26,666 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c0608 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0609 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0610 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0611 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0612 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0613 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0615 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90262c0616 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0617 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0618 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0619 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0620 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0621 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,200 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0623 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0624 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,861,496.

-30- 365
#90262c0625 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 463 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90262c0626 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 4,499 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90262c0627 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 6,551 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90262c0628 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 3,924 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90262c0629 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 6,272 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90262c0631 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $81.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90262c0632 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $77.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90262c0633 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $74.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,511,493.

-30- 352
#90262c0634 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90262c0635 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90262c0636 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90262c0637 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90262c0639 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90262c0640 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90262c0641 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32.

-30- 352
#90262c0642 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90262c0643 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 13,600 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90262c0644 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90262c0645 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $5.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 332

#90262c0647 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 22,500 SHARES AT $4.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 332

#90262c0648 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 8,400 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330

#90262c0649 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $4.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 332

#90262c0650 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 332

#90262c0651 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 330

#90262c0652 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,786,300.

-30- 373
#90262c0653 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 26, 1989, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $25.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90262c0655 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 22, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90262c0656 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $37.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90262c0657 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $38.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90262c0658 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $15.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90262c0659 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 27,300 SHARES AT $15.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90262c0660 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 90,000 SHARES AT $15.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90262c0661 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90262c0663 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ALAN D NOLET, OFFICER OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90262c0664 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ALAN D NOLET, OFFICER OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,179.

-30- 315
#90262c0665 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAN JOHANNESSEN, VP OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 332
#90262c0666 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DAVID M MOSS, BEN. OWNER OF CATALINA LIGHTING INC. (TICKER: LTG), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 826,582.

-30- 330
#90262c0667 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c0668 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c0669 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 45,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0671 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c0672 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 51,000 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0673 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC.

(TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c0674 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $3.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 541,180.

-30- 340
#90262c0675 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES E MURCOTT, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 413,470.

-30- 333
#90262c0676 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 12, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90262c0677 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 16, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90262c0679 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90262c0680 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,285.

-30- 293
#90262c0681 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GARY R SMITH, VP OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 1,337 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90262c0682 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOSEPH L GUARRIELLO, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90262c0683 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOSEPH L GUARRIELLO, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,388.

-30- 344
#90262c0684 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c0685 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 355,840.

-30- 333

#90262c0687 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN CAMPBELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 8,691 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 508,446.

-30- 323
#90262c0688 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THOMAS D EBLING, VP OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 1,538 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,770.

-30- 295
#90262c0689 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD S HICKOK, DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,564.

-30- 301
#90262c0690 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DEAN R MCKAY, DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,168.

-30- 296
#90262c0691 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DAVID M STONER, VP OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 1,521 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 141,967.

-30- 295
#90262c0692 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DONALD P HORWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c0693 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RICHARD J LEACH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,971.

-30- 337
#90262c0695 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ANTHONY C DAMORE, DIR. OF MEDICORE INC. (TICKER: MDK), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,990.

-30- 303
#90262c0696 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM MCCOLLAM JR, DIR. OF MCDERMOTT INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MDR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90262c0697 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EARL E BAKKEN, DIR. OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT), SOLD 13,500 SHARES AT $76.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90262c0698 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, EARL E BAKKEN, DIR. OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $77.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 444,106.

-30- 302
#90262c0699 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LIONEL I PINCUS, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 193,965 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO

7,586,508.

-30- 320
#90262c0700 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN L VOGELSTEIN, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 193,965 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,586,508.

-30- 326
#90262c0701 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WARBURG PINCUS CAP CO LP, BEN. OWNER OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 161,637 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,322,090.

-30- 351
#90262c0703 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, EMIL J KOE, DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,080.

-30- 313
#90262c0704 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, HAROLD G SPRIGGS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $3.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90262c0705 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, HAROLD G SPRIGGS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,533.

-30- 349

#90262c0706 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, STEPHEN M DEIXLER, CHAIRMAN OF MICROFRAME INC. (TICKER: MIFI), BOUGHT 450,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,187,500.

-30- 326
#90262c0707 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, CHESTER J SILVESTRI, DIV. OFFICER OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,249.

-30- 345
#90262c0708 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DONALD RATAJCZAK, OFFICER OF MORGAN KEEGAN INC. (TICKER: MOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,850.

-30- 319
#90262c0709 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT B SEIDEL, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,916.

-30- 321
#90262c0711 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, ALBERT W MERCK, DIR. OF MERCK & CO. (TICKER: MRK), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $87.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 143,380.

-30- 297
#90262c0712 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RONALD C DEMEO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARIETTA CORP.

(TICKER: MRTA), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 329
#90262c0713 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RONALD C DEMEO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARIETTA CORP. (TICKER: MRTA), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 329
#90262c0714 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, SAMARK ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF MARITEK CORP. (TICKER: MRTK), SOLD 166,667 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 169,667.

-30- 327
#90262c0715 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GARY HILLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c0716 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GARY HILLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,349,960.

-30- 331
#90262c0717 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SCOTTY B PATRICK, DIR. OF MELAMINE CHEMICALS INC. (TICKER: MTWO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 326
#90262c0719 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES R GLYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,117.

-30- 321
#90262c0720 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, KARL S HAY, DIR. OF MYERS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MYE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90262c0721 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, KARL S HAY, DIR. OF MYERS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MYE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90262c0722 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, COMMON INVESTMENT FUND, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBM), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90262c0723 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, COMMON INVESTMENT FUND, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBM), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,213.

-30- 355
#90262c0724 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90262c0725 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0727 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DON W SANDS, DIR. OF NATIONAL DATA CORP. (TICKER: NDTA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90262c0728 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DON W SANDS, DIR. OF NATIONAL DATA CORP. (TICKER: NDTA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 303
#90262c0729 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LESTER J LLOYD, SHAREHOLDER OF NELLCOR INC. (TICKER: NELL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,516.

-30- 314
#90262c0730 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GEORGE E COMSTOCK, VP OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c0731 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GEORGE E COMSTOCK, VP OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER:

NETG), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 122,000.

-30- 322
#90262c0732 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90262c0733 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90262c0735 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90262c0736 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.72 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,440,727.

-30- 330
#90262c0737 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CONCEPT COMMUNICATIONS INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0738 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JONATHAN S PARK, DIR. OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90262c0739 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT M GARDINER, DIR. OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90262c0740 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT M GARDINER, DIR. OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 309
#90262c0741 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD A HELLER, OFFICER OF NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: NSCO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90262c0743 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES H BUTLER, DIR. OF NOVA CORP. OF ALBERTA (TICKER: NVA), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,000.

-30- 318
#90262c0744 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT H B BALDWIN, DIR. OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 351
#90262c0745 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90262c0746 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90262c0747 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 113,789.

-30- 338
#90262c0748 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $13.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0749 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0751 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c0752 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0753 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $14.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0754 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,334,200.

-30- 340
#90262c0755 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 55,000 SHARES AT $12.51 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0756 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 25,500 SHARES AT $12.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0757 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 29,500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,213,778.

-30- 363
#90262c0759 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT C ERNEST, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,600.

-30- 317
#90262c0760 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $6.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90262c0761 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 831,685.

-30- 326
#90262c0762 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA TESS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $6.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90262c0763 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA TESS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 818,285.

-30- 340
#90262c0764 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $35.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90262c0765 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 20,400 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90262c0767 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RICHARD HOULIHAN, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 331
#90262c0768 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0769 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c0770 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 325
#90262c0771 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ROSEMARY TOMICH, DIR. OF OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: OXY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 326
#90262c0772 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARTHUR J SIMPSON JR, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 1,538,462 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90262c0773 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARTHUR J SIMPSON JR, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 2,925,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,657,692.

-30- 339
#90262c0775 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SOUTHMARK CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 2,925,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,657,692.

-30- 330
#90262c0776 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT K BURGESS, PRES. OF PHM CORP. (TICKER: PHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90262c0777 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT K BURGESS, PRES. OF PHM CORP. (TICKER: PHM),

BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 296
#90262c0778 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, LEWIS B MERRIFIELD III, PRES. OF PIC 'N SAVE CORP. (TICKER: PICN), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 271,920.

-30- 329
#90262c0779 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FREDRIC M ROSEMORE, CHAIRMAN OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 559,183.

-30- 330
#90262c0780 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DARYL L SWANSTROM, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PENN ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING CORP. (TICKER: PNN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,747.

-30- 391
#90262c0781 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 13,875 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c0783 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,550 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c0784 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,550 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,141,730.

-30- 336
#90262c0785 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 33,000 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c0786 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c0787 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,199,205.

-30- 336
#90262c0788 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c0789 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90262c0791 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c0792 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c0793 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c0794 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 24,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c0795 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90262c0796 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c0797 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90262c0799 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,000.

-30- 328
#90262c0800 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90262c0801 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90262c0802 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90262c0803 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90262c0804 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90262c0805 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90262c0807 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90262c0808 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90262c0809 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90262c0810 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90262c0811 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,206,050.

-30- 347
#90262c0812 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BCE INC, BEN. OWNER OF QUEBECOR INC. (TICKER: PQB), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $10.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,038,500.

-30- 305
#90262c0813 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90262c0815 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90262c0816 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 293,000.

-30- 361
#90262c0817 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF PUBCO CORP. (TICKER: PUBO), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $7.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,938.

-30- 304
#90262c0818 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID B KINNEY, DIR. OF RADVA CORP. (TICKER: RDVA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,000.

-30- 299
#90262c0819 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 349 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90262c0820 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,588 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90262c0821 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 8,443 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90262c0823 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,589 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90262c0824 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 482 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90262c0825 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 6,344 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90262c0826 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 11,672 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90262c0827 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 2,538 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90262c0828 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 6,343 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,487,593.

-30- 354
#90262c0829 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $12.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90262c0831 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90262c0832 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90262c0833 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90262c0834 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $11.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90262c0835 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90262c0836 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90262c0837 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, E C GWALTNEY, CHAIRMAN OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 777,080.

-30- 312
#90262c0839 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROCKWELL INTL CORP ESP, BEN. OWNER OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), BOUGHT 393,428 SHARES AT $24.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90262c0840 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RONALD A WARD, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,780.

-30- 333
#90262c0841 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, L KIRKE MOORE, DIR. OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 21,400 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c0842 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, L KIRKE MOORE, DIR. OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,400.

-30- 334
#90262c0843 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID K HUNT, VP OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,680.

-30- 305

#90262c0844 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, HAYS T WATKINS, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,951.

-30- 316
#90262c0845 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90262c0847 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 8,300 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c0848 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c0849 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c0850 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c0851 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c0852 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c0853 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90262c0855 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 64,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 449,057.

-30- 339
#90262c0856 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ANDREW W MILLER, DIR. OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF), SOLD 16,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90262c0857 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90262c0858 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90262c0859 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90262c0860 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90262c0861 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90262c0863 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, TURNER BYRON, VP OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SEC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,185.

-30- 320

#90262c0864 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0865 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0866 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0867 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c0868 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90262c0869 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 320

#90262c0871 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,383,280.

-30- 361
#90262c0872 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WALDO E YEAGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SEAWAY FOOD TOWN INC. (TICKER: SEWY), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90262c0873 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90262c0874 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90262c0875 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90262c0876 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90262c0877 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90262c0879 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90262c0880 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90262c0881 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90262c0882 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90262c0883 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90262c0884 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90262c0885 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90262c0887 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90262c0888 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90262c0889 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90262c0890 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90262c0891 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, CHARLES W SCHWEIZER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,926.

-30- 351
#90262c0892 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, BAUPOST LTD PARTNERSHIP 83, BEN. OWNER OF SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC. (TICKER: SFE), BOUGHT 9,200 SHARES AT $10.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 529,400.

-30- 365
#90262c0893 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CHARLES W CORBITT, DIR. OF SFFED CORP. (TICKER: SFFD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,000.

-30- 301
#90262c0895 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, ROBERT N GOLDMAN, DIR. OF SAGE SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: SGSI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c0896 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90262c0897 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90262c0898 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 157,280.

-30- 298
#90262c0899 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DOCTOR R CRANTS, DIR. OF SAHARA RESORTS (TICKER: SHRE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,000.

-30- 308
#90262c0900 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE B CLAIRMONT, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90262c0901 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE B CLAIRMONT, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90262c0903 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CLAIRMONT GEORGE B TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), SOLD 472,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90262c0904 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c0905 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90262c0906 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c0907 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90262c0908 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c0909 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 96,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90262c0911 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90262c0912 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,800.

-30- 324
#90262c0913 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 319
#90262c0914 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90262c0915 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,250 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90262c0916 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0917 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0919 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0920 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0921 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0922 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0923 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0924 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0925 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0927 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90262c0928 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90262c0929 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90262c0930 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 25,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90262c0931 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90262c0932 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 13,900 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90262c0933 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 42,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90262c0935 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0936 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 46,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90262c0937 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90262c0938 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c0939 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90262c0940 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 34,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90262c0941 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, B LANCE SAUERTEIG, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 42,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90262c0943 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,400.

-30- 341
#90262c0944 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90262c0945 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90262c0946 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0947 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90262c0948 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 96,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90262c0949 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c0951 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WALSH GREENWOOD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 206,400.

-30- 346
#90262c0952 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90262c0953 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 48,700 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90262c0954 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90262c0955 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90262c0956 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90262c0957 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 96,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90262c0959 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90262c0960 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,800.

-30- 315
#90262c0961 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK D KNOX, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SIXX HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: SIXX), BOUGHT 23,000 SHARES AT $0.57 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,263.

-30- 358
#90262c0962 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, BURTON E ERICSON, VP OF SAFETY-KLEEN CORP. (TICKER: SK), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $39.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,251.

-30- 306
#90262c0963 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDWARD BLACKWELL DAVID, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SCORE EXPL CORP (TICKER: SKOR), BOUGHT 787,369 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,696,669.

-30- 383
#90262c0964 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAY L FEDERMAN, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90262c0965 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAY L FEDERMAN, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 147,803.

-30- 345
#90262c0967 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90262c0968 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90262c0969 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,750.

-30- 294
#90262c0970 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RICHARD A STOLFA, VP OF SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SMLS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $33.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,860.

-30- 324
#90262c0971 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOSEPH J MCDOWELL, CHAIRMAN OF SOLITEC INC. (TICKER:

SOLI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 314
#90262c0972 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOSEPH M RICHTER, OFFICER OF THE SOMERSET GROUP INC. (TICKER: SOMR), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $7.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,000.

-30- 335
#90262c0973 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FITZLEE H COKER, DIR. OF SONOCO PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: SONO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 561,304.

-30- 308
#90262c0975 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DAVID J TAYLOR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUN SPORTSWEAR INC. (TICKER: SSPW), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c0976 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID J TAYLOR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUN SPORTSWEAR INC. (TICKER: SSPW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 334
#90262c0977 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, CHRISTOPHER P VELTMANN, OFFICER OF STANDARD OIL & EXPL OF DELAWARE INC. (TICKER: STDO), SOLD 46,550 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 328

#90262c0978 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, CHRISTOPHER P VELTMANN, OFFICER OF STANDARD OIL & EXPL OF DELAWARE INC. (TICKER: STDO), BOUGHT 58,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,875.

-30- 367
#90262c0979 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 02, 1989, INVSTMNT SVNGS PLN STANHOME, BEN. OWNER OF STANHOME INC. (TICKER: STH), BOUGHT 142 SHARES AT $19.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90262c0980 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 01, 1989, INVSTMNT SVNGS PLN STANHOME, BEN. OWNER OF STANHOME INC. (TICKER: STH), BOUGHT 413 SHARES AT $26.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90262c0981 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 04, 1990, STEPHEN L WILSON, VP OF ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: STJM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 317
#90262c0983 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90262c0984 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 45,800 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90262c0985 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept.17:

Chemi-Trol Chemical Co.

-30- 248
#90262c0986 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 18:

C.H. Heist Corp. (CHHCV); Insufficient number of regular market makers - security never quoted (Stk. Div.)

National Media Corp. (NMCO); Insufficient number of active market makers - listed on NYSE

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 17:

Cadence Design Systems Inc. (CDNC); Company request; listed on NYSE
Pharmacia AB ADR (PHABY); Acquired by Procordia AB

-30- 638
#90262c0987 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 22,500 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90262c0988 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90262c0989 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 30,600 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 1,183,400.

-30- 342
#90262c0991 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN VIDA, SHAREHOLDER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 45,150 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,071,652.

-30- 304
#90262c0992 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90262c0993 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90262c0994 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90262c0995 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90262c0996 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC.

(TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90262c0997 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 545,375.

-30- 337
#90262c0999 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, C PHILIP CHAPMAN, OFFICER OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,500.

-30- 316
#90262c1000 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, S THOMAS EMERSON, CHAIRMAN OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90262c1001 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, S THOMAS EMERSON, CHAIRMAN OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 244,000.

-30- 319
#90262c1002 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GEOFFREY W GATES, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,500.

-30- 302
#90262c1003 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, HARWOOD SHEPARD, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90262c1004 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HARWOOD SHEPARD, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 3,850 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 103,650.

-30- 302
#90262c1005 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT S WALLIN, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 157,260.

-30- 303
#90262c1007 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF TELEBIT CORP. (TICKER: TBIT), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90262c1008 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF TELEBIT CORP. (TICKER: TBIT), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 736,106.

-30- 313
#90262c1009 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DEAN A FOSSEY, DIR. OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,166.

-30- 311
#90262c1010 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROY M SVEE, DIR. OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 307
#90262c1011 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ROBERT E CRAINE, VP OF T/SF COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: TCM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,800.

-30- 320
#90262c1012 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROGER C LUCAS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TECHNE CORP. (TICKER: TECH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 248,608.

-30- 323
#90262c1013 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ALFRED M GLEASON, DIR. OF TEKTRONIX INC. (TICKER: TEK), BOUGHT 1,050 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,650.

-30- 305
#90262c1015 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 31, 1989, GEORGE W CHAMILLARD, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,568.

-30- 304
#90262c1016 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RICHARD E DYCK, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,015.

-30- 294
#90262c1017 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1018 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1019 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1020 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90262c1021 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,022.

-30- 302
#90262c1023 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90262c1024 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90262c1025 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90262c1026 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90262c1027 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90262c1028 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90262c1029 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90262c1031 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90262c1032 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90262c1033 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90262c1034 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90262c1035 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,761,510.

-30- 357
#90262c1036 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, BARRY F WHARITY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF TRANSMATION INC.

(TICKER: TRNS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 337
#90262c1037 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JAMES W QUEEN, OFFICER OF TESORO PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: TSO), SOLD 1,439 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,588.

-30- 321
#90262c1039 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Immune Response Inc.(TICKER: IMNR) on Sept. 12, 1990, extended the exercise period of the Class A and Class B common stock purchase warrants to March 16, 1991.

All other terms and conditions of the warrants remains the same.

-30- 488
#90262c1040 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Sparta Surgical Corp. earned $48,767, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.26 million for the four months ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $193,637, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.05 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 469
#90262c1041 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Satellite Information Systems Co.(TICKER: SATI) (SISCOM) on Aug. 24, 1990, elected Robert D.S. Turner to the position of secretary of the company.

Turner is employed by SISCOM as director of marketing and is also a member of the company's board of directors.

-30- 484
#90262c1042 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Sunrise Bancorp (TICKER: SRSL) earned $644,000, or $0.19 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $460,000, or $0.13 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 411

#90262c1043 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Quicksilver Inc.(TICKER: QUIK) appointed Deloitte & Touche as the company's certified public accountant to replace Kenneth Leventhal & Co., who were dismissed effective Sept. 14, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90262c1044 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Utilitech Inc.(TICKER: UTLL) reported a loss for the fiscal year of $1.85 million (including a loss of $1.21 million from discontinued operations), or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $8.57 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $2.93 million (including a loss of $2.25 million from discontinued operations), or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $4.67 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1989.

-30- 671

#90262c1045 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Harold's Stores Inc.(TICKER: HRLD) reported earnings of $161,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $7.69 million for the 13 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990.

This compares with a total profit of $46,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $6.24 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

-30- 514

#90262c1047 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pacific Agricultural Holdings Inc.(TICKER: PAGH) lost $2.08 million, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $4.84 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total losses of $394,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $6.60 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 518
#90262c1048 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Wet Seal Inc.(TICKER: WTSL) earned $2.27 million, or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $27.72 million for the 13 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990.

This compares with a net profit of $1.19 million, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $18.06 million for the 13 weeks ended July 29, 1989.

-30- 506
#90262c1049 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Genex Corp.(TICKER: GNEX)(the "company") completed a short-term debt financing in which it raised $1.73 million from several investor groups, each of which is a current equity investor in the company.

The loan is secured by all the tangible assets of the company and an assignment to the lenders of the company's patents and patent rights (other than the assets, patents and patent rights of the company's bioseparations unit).

If, prior to March 31, 1991, Genex completes an equity financing, each lender, at its option, will be entitled to convert its portion of the loan into the equity securities issued in such financing.

Lenders are as follows:

Chemicals & Materials Enterprise Associates L.P.; Equity-Venture Associates, Morgenthaler Venture Partners, Morgenthaler Venture Partners II, Plant Resources Venture Fund II Limited Partnership and Post-Venture Associates.

-30- 1122
#90262c1050 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Equitec Financial Group (TICKER: EFG) filed on Aug. 29, 1990, for bankruptcy protection, along with seven of its wholly-owned subsidiaries.

Concurrently, Equitec announced that it had entered an agreement in principle with Wells Fargo Bank N.A. and Stephens Inc. for $15.0 million, subject to adjustment, for the sale of its mutual fund business.

Equitec Financial reports that it also intends to file motions with the bankruptcy court for the expedited approval of these transactions and also those transactions previously entered into by Equitec and its wholly-owned

subsidiary, Equitec Properties Co., with The Hallwood Group Inc.(TICKER: HWG).

In that agreement, Equitec agreed to sell its general partner interests in 11 publicly held real estate management agreements with such partnerships, subject to the consent to the transactions by the limited partners of these partnerships.

-30- 1127

#90262c1051 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows American Mobile Systems Inc.(TICKER: AMSE) earned $1.93 million (including an extraordinary gain of $778,000), or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $5.64 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $6.99 million, or $1.13 per share, on revenues of $6.11 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 580

#90262c1052 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ultrak Inc.(TICKER: ULTK) earned $4,005, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.67 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $203,921, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.92 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 471

#90262c1053 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Collective Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: COFD) reported income of $9.11 million, or $1.04 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $11.44 million, or $1.32 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90262c1055 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows W. Bell & Co. Inc.(ticker: bllw) lost $1.20 million, or $0.32 per share, on revenues of $19.62 million for the quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990.

This compares with a total loss of $946,000, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $23.23 million for the quarter ended July 29, 1989.

-30- 495
#90262c1056 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Aris Corp.(TICKER: LMNT) lost $3.50 million (including an extraordinary gain of $3,000 on disposal of discontinued operations), or $0.77 per share, on revenues of $59.99 million for the quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990.

This compares with a total profit of $11.80 million (including an extraordinary gain of $11.87 million from disposal of discontinued operations) or $2.98 per share, on revenues of $6.18 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

-30- 665
#90262c1058 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Federated Purchaser Inc.(TICKER: FEDP) lost $5,455, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.11 million for the quarter ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $58,038, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.28 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 506
#90262c1059 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Techdyne Inc.(TICKER: TCDN) renewed its credit facility with Consolidated Bank N.A.

The new credit facility is in the amount of $3.25 million, with interest payable monthly.

The company paid $350,000 toward the principal as of Sept. 12, 1990, the date of the signing of the promissory note and loan documents.

The agreement is effective as of May 15, 1990, and Techdyne is required to make monthly principal payments of $50,000 through December, 1990.

After that date, monthly payments increase to $75,000 per month through May 1, 1991.

The balance of the credit facility is due at maturity, May 15, 1991.

The renewed credit facility is secured by the company's receivables, inventory and fixed assets.

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#90262c1060 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Al's Formal Wear Inc.(TICKER: ALFO) earned $579,870, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $2.54 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $659,151, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $2.66 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 478

#90262c1061 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows MTG. Capital Corp. earned $3,500, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $8,200 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $500, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $600 for the same period in 1989.

The company reports that it is a development stage enterprise and no business acquisition is probable at this time.

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#90262c1062 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Jayark Corp.(TICKER: JAYA) earned $364,360, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $15.62 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $267,180, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $5.20 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90262c1064 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows William P. O'Connell, a former director of Critical Industries Inc., (TICKER: FYBR) submitted his resignation.

Prior to O'Connell's resignation, the company reports it was negotiating the terms of an employment agreement with O'Connell, under which O'Connell would serve as chief executive officer of the company.

O'Connell attributed his decision to resign to Critical Industries' inability to consummate the agreement with him or with another qualified individual.

O'Connell stated he lacked confidence in company management. Critical Industries stated company management disagrees with O'Connell's characterization.

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#90262c1065 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 18, 1990, Permian (TICKER: PPA) announced a quarterly dividend of $.2875 per unit to holders of record on Oct. 1 payable on the earlier of Nov. 30 or upon the closing of the pending tender offer. NII (TICKER: NII) then announced that it would decrease the per unit offer from $3.85 to $3.5625 per unit to reflect the dividend and expects to extend the offer beyond the current Oct. 1, 1990 expiration date.

-30- 642
#90262c1066 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY MAYBACO CO OWNS 7,552,775 SHARES (8.80%) OF MNC FINANCIAL INC (TICKER: MNC) OF BALTIMORE, MD.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a purchase agreement dated Sept. 12, 1990, Lerner agreed to purchase 2 million shares of convertible preferred stock from MNC for $100 per share in cash. A notice of change in bank control has been filed with the Federal Reserve in connection with the transaction. After such transaction, Maybaco Co. expect to hold 24,651,074 shares, representing 23.98 percent of the common stock outstanding.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90262c1067 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 44

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a Sept. 18, 1990 press release, Apple (TICKER: APK) states that it is concerned that Stahl has not committed to completing his offer even though Apple has "cleared the way for him to do so."

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#90262c1068 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 13, 1990, a New York District Court held a hearing to solicit higher or better offers than the acquisition agreement. Upon completion of the bidding, seller determined that another offer was more beneficial to the seller and its creditors than the acquisition agreement, which was effectively terminated. As of Sept. 13, 1990 upon termination of the acquisition agreement Sterik Co. Inc. ceased to be the beneficial owners of more than five percent of the Units.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Dempsey purchased 91,800 units from July 19 to Sept. 12, 1990 for $8.75 to $10 per share.

PURPOSE:

Termination of acquisition agreement.

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#90262c1069 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY PELHAM INVESTMENT ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 305,600 SHARES (7.99%) OF BSN CORP (TICKER: BSN) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 6, 1990, Webster commenced an action in Delaware seeking to obtain a shareholders list from the company. On Sept. 12, 1990, Webster and the company entered into a stipulation which provides that on Sept. 13, the company will make a shareholder list available and for the dismissal with prejudice of the petition.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Pelham Investment Associates LP purchased 22,900 shares from Aug. 16-23, 1990 for $5.09 to $5.31 per share.

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#90262c1070 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Each of Jack Golsen, Barry Golsen and Steven Golsen acquired the right to acquire 15,600, 12,600 and 12,600 shares, respectively, under certain incentive options, 165,000 common shares covered by a non qualified stock option granted to Jack Golsen which became exercisable on Aug. 31, 1990 and the number of shares Jack Gosen may acquire under a promissory note was reduced from 84,000 to 34,000 shares. The beneficially-owned and percentage could not be ascertained.

-30- 674
#90262c1072 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

J.M. TOLK OWNS 308,785 SHARES (7.90%) OF RAPITECH SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: RPSY) OF SUFFERN, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

From Oct. 13 to Dec. 22, 1989, Rapitech Systems Inc. granted to J.M. Tolk options for 55,000 shares exercisable at $.38 per share and warrants to purchase 253,785 shares at $.38 per share.

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#90262c1073 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

J.M. TOLK OWNS 333,785 SHARES (6.80%) OF RAPITECH SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: RPSY) OF SUFFERN, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On June 21, 1990, Rapitech Systems Inc. granted to J.M. Tolk options to purchase 25,000 shares exercisable at $.82 per share.

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#90262c1074 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

S. SUTTON OWNS 613,786 SHARES (12.30%) OF RAPITECH SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: RPSY) OF SUFFERN, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On June 21, 1990, Rapitech Systems Inc. granted to S. Sutton options to purchase 40,000 shares exercisable at $.90 per share and non-qualified options for 10,000 shares at $.82 per share. On June 29, 1990, S. Sutton exercised options for 126,892 shares at $.38 per share.

-30- 586
#90262c1075 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 31

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 18, 1990, Stahl welcomed in a press release Apple's (TICKER: APK) withdrawal of its negative assessment of Stahl's tender offer. In a letter to the chairman of Apple, Stahl stated that he was willing to accept Apple's proposal subject to Apple providing acceptable assurance that Apple would

redeem its poison pill and that his nominees will constitute a majority of the board.

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#90262c1076 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 39

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Stahl is filing as an exhibit his form 14D-1, amendment no. 31.

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#90262c1077 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 17

GROUP LED BY CANAL CAPITAL CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 693,500 SHARES (4.30%) OF QANTEL CORP (TICKER: BQC) OF PARSIPPANY, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Canal Capital Corp. sold 116,200 shares from Sept. 14-17, 1990 for $.16 per share.

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#90262c1078 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
(SEPT. 19) COMTEX - Due to a transmission error, duplicate Form 4 filings were released for Koger Properties (NYSE: KOG).

Only six transactions were made between August 9 and August 17, 1990, for a total of 34,645 shares sold by Wallace F.E. Kienast, president of Koger.

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#90262c1080 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY RAINBOW CRUISES INC OWNS 8,523,250 SHARES (36.60%) OF REGENCY CRUISES INC (TICKER: SHIP) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

RCI has arranged to finance the purchase of 110,000 shares with the proceeds of advances to be made by Den Norske Bank PLC to RCI under an existing credit facility, and it will use either working capital or loans from Den Norske Bank PLC, or another lender, to purchase the remaining 450,000 shares, for a total purchased of 560,000 shares. On July 31, 1990, Mr. Galetakis transferred 1,400,000 shares of common stock owned by him to a nominee of RCI for no consideration.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 17, 1990, RCI purchased 560,000 shares at a price of $1.70 to $1.78 per share.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY SCANDINAVIAN AIRLINES SYSTEM OF STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN OWNS 7,303,000 SHARES (16.80%) OF CONTINENTAL AIRLINES HLDGS INC (TICKER: CTA) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

SAS entered into an amendment dated as of Sept. 11, 1990 to the purchase agreement dated as of Aug. 8, 1990 between SAS and CAH. Pursuant to the merger between Jet Capital Corp. and S.M.A. Holdings Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of SAS Holdings, S.M.A. beneficially owned as of Sept. 13, 1990, 2,040,000 shares of series C preferred stock, convertible into 1,020,000 shares of common stock and 100,000 shares of common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 13, 1990, SAS Holdings purchased 2,250,000 shares of common stock from CAH for an aggregate purchase price of $31,500,000, or $14 per share, and SAS Holdings acquired all of the outstanding stock (2,040,000 shares of series C stock) of Capital for an aggregate purchase price of $21,000,000.

PURPOSE:

Purchase agreement amendment.

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#90262c1082 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

MACFADDEN HOLDINGS INC OWNS 325,626 SHARES (2.50%) OF ADVO SYSTEM INC (TICKER: ADVO) OF WINDSOR, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90262c1083 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The offer to purchase is hereby amended for the purpose to delete the second paragraph under the caption " Procedures for Tendering Shares--Determination of Validity" on page 7 of the offer.

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#90262c1085 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The General Accounting Office today urged Congress to take a series of steps to reform the government's deposit insurance system, including measures to bolster the bank insurance fund, tighter regulation, and the appointment of a presidential panel of experts to properly train regulators to supervise the nation's banks.

The GAO, the investigative branch of Congress, noted the House of Representatives already approved its first recommendation by voting Monday to give the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. the authority to raise the premium it

charges member banks at its discretion. Under present law, the FDIC is allowed to raise the premium it assesses banks by 7.5 cents per $100 in deposits annually, capping at a rate of 32.5 cents per $100 in deposits.

In addition to the above measures, the GAO is calling for annual on-site examinations of all large and troubled banks, changing certain accounting rules to better measure the value of banking institutions, and greater accountability for bank managers and directors for their internal control structures and compliance with laws and regulations related to safety and soundness.

Many lawmakers, fearing another savings and loan debacle, have given the issue an increasing sense of urgency following recent warnings by the GAO and the Congressional Budget Office that a recession or a single bank failure could be enough to wipe out the FDIC fund and force a taxpayer bailout.

"We are very concerned about the position of the bank insurance fund but we don't think we are in a 'crisis' over the situation," Richard Fogel, the GAO's assistant comptroller general, told the House Banking Committee this morning.

Committee Chairman Henry Gonzalez (D-Texas) said later, "I don't care whether you call it a crisis or not. The point is we've got a problem. We've got to try to lead the country out of this mess."

Critics of the current deposit insurance system maintain it has made it easy for poorly capitalized or high-risk institutions to successfully attract additional funds by simply offering customers higher interest rates. In order to halt this practice, the GAO suggests increasing premiums for banks that demonstrate higher risks.

"Highest priority should go to holding the owners and managers of banks responsible for the risks generated by the activities of their banks," Fogel said. "It is essential that capital be increased to put more of a financial cushion between the decisions of bank managers and the exposure of taxpayers."

While not ruling out a reduction in the government's insurance ceiling of $100,000 per account, Fogel said the GAO questions, on "the grounds of stability, whether reducing deposit insurance coverage or imposing greater losses on individual depositors should be the centerpiece of reform."

Only when these reforms are in place and the insurance fund is on a solid financial footing would the GAO seek greater power for banks.

"Expanded powers (are) important over the long-run," said Fogel. "They should be granted on a case-by-case basis to those institutions that have demonstrated they are well capitalized and well managed."

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#90262c1086 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHNSON CHARLES P JR TR OF 1579 STRAITS TURNPIKE, MIDDLEBURY, CT 06762, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GDC) THROUGH COBURN & MEREDITH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 203 574-1118)

-30- 468
#90262c1087 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARY L SANDERFORD OF 5801 PRESTON OAKS #2008, DALLAS, TX 75240, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,833 SHARES OF OPTEK TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: OPTX) THROUGH FIRST DALLAS SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(OPTEK TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 214 323-2200)

-30- 430
#90262c1089 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ENVIRONMENTAL DIAGNOSTICS INC OF 1238 ANTHONY RD, 0, BURLINGTON, NC 27215, HAS FILED TO SELL 77,250 SHARES OF DISEASE DETECTION INTL INC. (TICKER: DDII) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(DISEASE DETECTION INTL INC. TEL: 714 261-2767)

-30- 470
#90262c1090 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPAN PARTNERS OF 218 N JEFFERSON ST, CHICAGO, IL 60606, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF STEPAN CO. (TICKER: SCL) THROUGH MESIROW INVSTMNT SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(STEPAN CO. TEL: 708 446-7500)

-30- 398
#90262c1091 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS D MCEUEN OF 2042 LINDA FLORA DR, LOS ANGELES, CA 90077, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,100 SHARES OF PARKER AUTOMOTIVE CORP. (TICKER: PKRA) THROUGH R B MARICH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(PARKER AUTOMOTIVE CORP. TEL: 714 641-1515)

-30- 425
#90262c1092 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAZENOVE & CO OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,431 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 398
#90262c1093 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM M SCHIFFMACHER OF P O BOX 2360, VAIL, CO 81658, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF ASPEN RIBBONS INC. (TICKER: ARIB) THROUGH WHALE SECS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(ASPEN RIBBONS INC. TEL: 303 666-5750)

-30- 414
#90262c1094 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - UIHLEIN MARIE Z 1981 TRUST OF 55 JEWELERS PARK DR, P O BOX 156, NEENAH, WI 54957, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PLEXUS CORP. (TICKER: PLXS) THROUGH MEGARIAN INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(PLEXUS CORP. TEL: 414 722-3451)

-30- 428
#90262c1095 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CRIM ELENA U 1984 TRUST OF 55 JEWELERS PARK DR, P O BOX 156, NEENAH, WI 54957, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PLEXUS CORP. (TICKER: PLXS) THROUGH

MEGARIAN INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(PLEXUS CORP. TEL: 414 722-3451)

-30- 422
#90262c1097 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM B TATUM OF 2600 MILLERS LANE, LOUISVILLE, KY 40216, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,666 SHARES OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS) THROUGH HILLIARD-LYONS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(ALLWASTE INC. TEL: 713 623-8777)

-30- 401
#90262c1098 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROWLAND W DAY II OF 3070 BRISTOL ST, COSTA MESA, CA 92626, HAS FILED TO SELL 135,875 SHARES OF NATIONAL TECHTEAM INC. (TICKER: TEAM) THROUGH OLSEN PAYNE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(NATIONAL TECHTEAM INC. TEL: 313 277-2277)

-30- 421
#90262c1099 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROWLAND W DAY II OF 3070 BRISTOL ST, SUITE 650, COSTA MESA, CA 92626, HAS FILED TO SELL 33,496 SHARES OF AVON RENT-A-CAR & TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: AVON) THROUGH OLSEN PAYNE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(AVON RENT-A-CAR & TRUCK CORP. TEL: 213 645-7645)

-30- 454
#90262c1100 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H & Q INVESTORS OF 1 BUSH ST, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 408
#90262c1101 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRIS A SHAPIRO OF 6920 SOUTHWEST 44TH ST #107, MIAMI, FL 33155, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF DYANSEN CORP. (TICKER: DYAN) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(DYANSEN CORP. TEL: 212 644-5100)

-30- 405
#90262c1102 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - O EARLE LAMBORN OF 4906 EAST 114TH PL, 0, TULSA, OK 74137, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,640 SHARES OF UNIT CORP. (TICKER: UNT) THROUGH NWNL MNGMT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(UNIT CORP. TEL: 918 493-7700)

-30- 387
#90262c1103 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - POWELSON FAMILY PARTNERSHIP OF 3600 E 48TH AVE, DENVER, CO 80216, HAS FILED TO SELL 52,300 SHARES OF TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: RRRC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 303 399-6351)

-30- 438
#90262c1105 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RANDALL HOLDEN OF 22 CONTINENTAL RD, WEST MILFORD, NJ 07480, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,714 SHARES OF GENERAL MOTORS CL E (TICKER: GME) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(GENERAL MOTORS CL E TEL: 214 661-6000)

-30- 421
#90262c1106 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - LOCKETT E WOOD OF P O BOX 940, LOUISVILLE, CO 80027, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,361 SHARES OF CYBERMEDIC INC. (TICKER: CMED) THROUGH BOETTCHER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(CYBERMEDIC INC. TEL: 303 666-9253)

-30- 394
#90262c1107 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW W MILLER OF 210 BURLINGTON PLACE, NASHVILLE, TN 37205, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. TEL: 615 385-3541)

-30- 447
#90262c1108 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW W MILLER OF 210 BURLINGTON PLACE, NASHVILLE, TN 37205, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF) THROUGH MORGAN KEEGAN & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. TEL: 615 385-3541)

-30- 452
#90262c1109 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROXANNE M SUFFECOOL OF 6720 N CATALINA AVE, TUSCAN, AZ 85718, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,411 SHARES OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(FOREST OIL CORP. TEL: 814 368-7171)

-30- 411
#90262c1110 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CAL OF 1201 W FIFTH ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90017, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF UNOCAL CORP. (TICKER: UCL) THROUGH SHEARSON

LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(UNOCAL CORP. TEL: 213 977-7600)

-30- 425
#90262c1111 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAURICE LATHOWERS JR OF 6271 MONITA ST, LONGBEACH, CA 90803, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DVI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVIC) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(DVI FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 714 474-5800)

-30- 420
#90262c1113 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAPITAL FUND-US VENGROWTH OF 16020 INDUSTRIAL DR, GAITHERSBURG, MD 20877 HAS FILED TO SELL 266,620 SHARES OF GENEX CORP. (TICKER: GNEX) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(GENEX CORP. TEL: 301 258-0552)

-30- 414
#90262c1114 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BACON MARTHA S TRUST OF 6242 GARFIELD ST, CASS CITY, MI 48726, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(WALBRO CORP. TEL: 517 872-2131)

-30- 407
#90262c1115 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL S DELL OF 9505 ARBORETUM BLVD, AUSTIN, TX 75759, HAS FILED TO SELL 300,000 SHARES OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(DELL COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 512 338-8400)

-30- 415
#90262c1116 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARSHALL WAIS JR OF 700 LARKSPUR LANDING CIRCLE, SUITE 240, LARKSPUR, CA 94393, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,504 SHARES OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(DELL COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 512 338-4400)

-30- 431
#90262c1117 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID D EMBRY OF ONE MCDONALDS PLZ, OAK BROOK, IL 60521, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD) THROUGH NATL FINL SVCS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(MCDONALD'S CORP. TEL: 708 575-3000)

-30- 405
#90262c1118 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEROME GOLDSTEIN OF 282 BUCKMINSTER RD, BOOKLINE, MA 02146, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED MAGNETICS INC. (TICKER: ADMG) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(ADVANCED MAGNETICS INC. TEL: 617 497-2070)

-30- 432
#90262c1119 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN R NAGEL OF 12500 E CONTROL TOWER RD, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE) THROUGH PROTECTIVE GRP SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(SELECTRONICS INC. TEL: 612 545-6823)

-30- 421
#90262c1121 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VICTOR R JOHNSON JR OF 154 FLYING DUTCHMAN CT, 0, VALLEJO, CA 94591, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,500 SHARES OF HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: HRDG) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. TEL: 415 892-0821)

-30- 439
#90262c1122 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES H FURNEAUX OF 83 WALNUT ST, WELLESLEY HILLS, MA 02180, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

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#90262c1123 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHELDON KRUGER OF 25 BROOK PATH, PLAINVIEW, NY 11803, HAS FILED TO SELL 209,750 SHARES OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 516 922-2400)

-30- 435
#90262c1124 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MORRIS SHRIFTMAN OF 8084 PINE LANE RD, JACKSONVILLE, FL 32256, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,968 SHARES OF SENIOR SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: SENR) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(SENIOR SERVICE CORP. TEL: 203 834-1644)

-30- 419
#90262c1125 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLENN RIGHTMIRE OF 500 WEST 120TH ST, MVDD BLVD, ROOM 244, NEW YORK, NY 10027, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,000 SHARES OF POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. (TICKER: PMCX) THROUGH REICH & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. TEL: 517 790-4764)

-30- 436
#90262c1126 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DENNIS R MIELKE OF 14101 MYFORD RD, TUSTIN, CA 92680, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,500 SHARES OF MAI BASIC FOUR INC. (TICKER: MBF) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(MAI BASIC FOUR INC. TEL: 714 730-2862)

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#90262c1127 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID B BARTHOLOMEW OF 5350 NORTHWOOD RD, HOLLADAY, UT 84117, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,896 SHARES OF WASATCH EDUCATION SYS CORP. (TICKER: WESC) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(WASATCH EDUCATION SYS CORP. TEL: 801 261-1001)

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#90262c1129 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID A JOHNSON OF 1713 70TH AVE N, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55430, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF VICOM INC. (TICKER: VICM) THROUGH R J STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 11, 1990.

(VICOM INC. TEL: 612 944-7135)

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#90262c1130 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EUGENE HELLER OF 205 EAST MAIN ST, HUNTINGTON, NY 11743, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF DIAGNOSTIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: DSIC) THROUGH ROSENKRANTZ LYON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(DIAGNOSTIC SCIENCES INC. TEL: 516 385-2340)

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#90262c1131 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH M MORRIS OF 430 MAIN AVE, UNIT R-7, MERRITT NORTH, NORWALK, CT 06851, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,098 SHARES OF HORIZON GOLD CORP. (TICKER: HRIZ) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 07, 1990.

(HORIZON GOLD CORP. TEL: 303 674-2037)

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#90262c1132 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOAN R SCHRENK OF 7500 WOODMONT AVE #3616, BETHESDA, MD 20814, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,160 SHARES OF ENERCAP CORP. (TICKER: ENCP) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(ENERCAP CORP. TEL: 202 624-5900)

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#90262c1133 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROGER L SCHRENK OF 14150 WUNDERLICH, HOUSTON, TX 77066, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,160 SHARES OF ENERCAP CORP. (TICKER: ENCP) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(ENERCAP CORP. TEL: 202 624-5900)

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#90262c1134 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONNA L WAGNER OF 234 WEST AVE, BRIDGEPORT, CT 06604, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF SENIOR SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: SENR) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(SENIOR SERVICE CORP. TEL: 203 834-1644)

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#90262c1135 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DIANE KIRALY OF 5167 DEERHURST CRESCENT CIRCLE, BOCA RATON, FL 33400, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,666 SHARES OF OPTICORP INC. (TICKER: LOOK) THROUGH VANGUARD CAPITAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(OPTICORP INC. TEL: 800 733-7495)

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#90262c1137 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK A GILLIN OF 6640 ARAPAHOE DR, EVERGREEN, CO 80439, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII) THROUGH RICHFIELD SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(RYAN-MURPHY INC. TEL: 303 293-3835)

-30- 406
#90262c1138 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID C SEAMAN OF 1620 SHELBURNE LANE, SARASOTA, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF PROBAC INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PBAC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(PROBAC INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 813 957-3530)

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#90262c1139 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT H SILLECK OF 1328 STARWOOD LANE, EVERGREEN, CO 80439, HAS FILED TO SELL 55,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH TRI-BRADLEY INVSTMNTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-7330)

-30- 418
#90262c1140 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS A GRIFFIN IV OF 4400 NW 39TH AVE #362, GAINESVILLE, FL 32606, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PHOENIX ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: PATI) THROUGH PRINCETON FINANCIAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(PHOENIX ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 904 372-9585)

-30- 470
#90262c1141 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER JACOBSON OF 850 BOYLSTON, 0, CHESTNUT HILL, MA 02167, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,940 SHARES OF RYKA INC. (TICKER: RYKA) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(RYKA INC. TEL: 617 331-8800)

-30- 385
#90262c1142 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHELBURNE ASSOCIATES OF 1600 HANNA BLDG, CLEVELAND, OH 44115, HAS FILED TO SELL 55,000 SHARES OF THE AMERICAN PACIFIC MINT INC. (TICKER: MINT) THROUGH HERZOG HEINE GEDULD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(THE AMERICAN PACIFIC MINT INC. TEL: 818 884-3831)

-30- 461
#90262c1143 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - IRENE D SEAMAN OF 7655 COVE TERRACE, SARASOTA, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF PROBAC INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PBAC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(PROBAC INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 813 957-3530)

-30- 424
#90262c1145 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARNOLD J ROBINSON OF 3000 ISLAND BLVD, SUITE 1205, NORTH MIAMI, FL 33160 HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF BLOC DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: BDEV) THROUGH ROSENKRANTZ LYON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(BLOC DEVELOPMENT CORP. TEL: 305 445-0903)

-30- 439
#90262c1146 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MATTHEW PARTYKA OF 29205 RYAN, WARREN, MI 48092, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,500 SHARES OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI) THROUGH PARSONS SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. TEL: 800 752-7377)

-30- 435
#90262c1147 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD L MACHULAK OF 903 W GREEN TREE RD, RIVER HILLS, WI 53217, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,000 SHARES OF COMMERCE GROUP CORP. (TICKER: CGCO) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 12, 1990.

(COMMERCE GROUP CORP. TEL: 414 462-5310)

-30- 424
#90262c1148 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK P GALLAGHER OF 1151 TWISTED OAK, BUFFALO GROVE, IL 60089, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,500 SHARES OF INTERCONTINENTAL ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: ENTI) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(INTERCONTINENTAL ENTERPRISES INC TEL: 303 779-1900)

-30- 456
#90262c1149 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS P BLUMER OF 63 SACRAMENTO ST, CAMDRIDGE, MA 02138, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. TEL: 617 551-4000)

-30- 434
#90262c1150 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JOCK WILBOURNE, OFFICER OF AIRBORNE FREIGHT CORP. (TICKER: ABF), SOLD 2,110 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,430.

-30- 325
#90262c1151 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES B SHUMATE, VP OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,440.

-30- 348
#90262c1153 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CHARLES H PRICE II, CHAIRMAN OF AMERIBANC INC. (TICKER: ABNK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90262c1154 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CHARLES H PRICE II, CHAIRMAN OF AMERIBANC INC. (TICKER: ABNK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 171,672.

-30- 318
#90262c1155 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT V HANSBERGER, DIR. OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,875.

-30- 315
#90262c1156 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT V HANSBERGER, DIR. OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), BOUGHT 1,475 SHARES AT $33.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c1157 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:02 that trade in BMC Industries Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol BMC.

-30- 317
#90262c1158 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 25, 1990, JOSEPH M BARNHART III, OFFICER OF ACAP CORP. (TICKER: ACAP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1159 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in BMC Industries Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol BMC. Trading was resumed at 16:00.

-30- 349
#90262c1161 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GERRY L KAVENY, VP OF COORS (ADOLPH) CO. (TICKER: ACCO), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90262c1162 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GERRY L KAVENY, VP OF COORS (ADOLPH) CO. (TICKER: ACCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90262c1163 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, GERRY L KAVENY, VP OF COORS (ADOLPH) CO. (TICKER: ACCO), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90262c1164 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RUTH S BLOCK, DIR. OF ACM GOVERNMENT INCOME FD INC. (TICKER: ACG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 326
#90262c1165 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, TIMOTHY J RIGAS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90262c1166 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, TIMOTHY J RIGAS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90262c1167 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, TIMOTHY J RIGAS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,802,766.

-30- 386
#90262c1169 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOSEPH F SEINSHEIMER JR, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN INDEMNITY FINL CORP. (TICKER: AIFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90262c1170 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOSEPH F SEINSHEIMER JR, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN INDEMNITY FINL CORP. (TICKER: AIFC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,515.

-30- 360
#90262c1171 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LEE B STERN, DIR. OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90262c1172 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LEE B STERN, DIR. OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 191,500.

-30- 289
#90262c1173 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, STEVEN A MOEL, DIR. OF AKORN INC. (TICKER: AKRN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 704,500.

-30- 292
#90262c1174 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, SHAREHOLDER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), BOUGHT 26,232 SHARES AT $30.84 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,564,601.

-30- 359
#90262c1175 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, SHAREHOLDER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), SOLD 4,334 SHARES AT $32.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90262c1177 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, SHAREHOLDER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), SOLD 880 SHARES AT $32.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90262c1178 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, SHAREHOLDER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), SOLD 6,802 SHARES AT $33.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90262c1179 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RICHARD D PROPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90262c1180 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RICHARD D PROPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90262c1181 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RICHARD D PROPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90262c1182 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RICHARD D PROPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90262c1183 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RICHARD D PROPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90262c1185 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, MICHAEL SHILLINGER, DIV. OFFICER OF APPLIED MAGNETICS CORP. (TICKER: APM), SOLD 1,050 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,628.

-30- 342
#90262c1186 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ARTHUR W MCCLAIN, DIR. OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90262c1187 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ARTHUR W MCCLAIN, DIR. OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,900.

-30- 295
#90262c1188 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, LOWELL T SWENSON, DIR. OF MESABA AVIATION CORP. (TICKER: ATCC), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90262c1189 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LOWELL T SWENSON, DIR. OF MESABA AVIATION CORP. (TICKER: ATCC), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $5.17 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,924.

-30- 321
#90262c1190 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN R NORTON III, DIR. OF AZTAR CORP. (TICKER: AZTR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 294
#90262c1191 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN R NORTON III, DIR. OF AZTAR CORP. (TICKER: AZTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90262c1193 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOHN R NORTON III, DIR. OF AZTAR CORP. (TICKER: AZTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90262c1194 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN R NORTON III, DIR. OF AZTAR CORP. (TICKER: AZTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90262c1195 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN R NORTON III, DIR. OF AZTAR CORP. (TICKER: AZTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90262c1196 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN R NORTON III, DIR. OF AZTAR CORP. (TICKER: AZTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 299
#90262c1197 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RICHARD N CARDOZO, DIR. OF BEST BUY CO. (TICKER: BBY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 302
#90262c1198 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GEORGE S SIRUSAS, SHAREHOLDER OF BANCORP NEW JERSEY INC. (TICKER: BCNJ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,880.

-30- 337
#90262c1199 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MICHAEL H FOSTER, DIR. OF BANKEAST CORP. (TICKER: BENH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,012.

-30- 302
#90262c1201 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, THEODORE B PALMER III, DIR. OF BETZ LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BETZ), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 328
#90262c1202 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JEFFERSON W ASHER JR, DIR. OF BALDOR ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: BEZ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,890.

-30- 323
#90262c1203 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, SHEPARD BROWN, DIR. OF BOSTON FIVE BANCORP. (TICKER: BFCS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.84 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 316
#90262c1204 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, SHAREHOLDER OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90262c1205 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, SHAREHOLDER OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 268,900.

-30- 343
#90262c1206 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90262c1207 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 268,900.

-30- 334
#90262c1209 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 01, 1990, IRVING FULLER, DIR. OF BKLA BANCORP. (TICKER: BKLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1210 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 02, 1990, IRVING FULLER, DIR. OF BKLA BANCORP. (TICKER: BKLA), BOUGHT 2,980 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1211 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Shop Television Network Inc.(TICKER: SHTN) earned $397,000, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $5.54 million for the quarter ended July 28, 1990.

This compares with net income of $527,000, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $4.89 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 489
#90262c1212 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 13, 1990, IRVING FULLER, DIR. OF BKLA BANCORP. (TICKER: BKLA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,141.

-30- 302
#90262c1213 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ROBERT B HODES, DIR. OF BERKLEY (W.R.) CORP. (TICKER: BKLY), BOUGHT 1,410 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 316
#90262c1214 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 8, 1990, Ryan-Murphy Inc.(TICKER: RMII) signed an agreement with Tri-State Recycle and Transfer Inc.

The agreement calls for the formation of a limited liability under the laws of the state of Kansas named Tri-State Recycler and Transfer, Limited Liability Co. ("TRT").

TRT will be organized for the purpose of building, owning, operating and marketing a certain solid waste disposal, treatment and recycling facility in Galena, Kansas.

It will be owned and controlled 60 percent by Tri-State and 40 percent by Ryan-Murphy.

-30- 779
#90262c1215 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, M RAY HARROFF, DIR. OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 188,144.

-30- 313
#90262c1217 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 11, 1990, Staodynamics Inc.(TICKER: SDYN) changed its name to Staodyn Inc.

On Aug. 21, 1990, Frederick C. Burmont resigned as the company's vice president of finance and administration, secretary and treasurer.

On Aug. 22, 1990, Lynda S. Dreilling was appointed as his successor to those offices.

-30- 536
#90262c1218 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Nona Morelli's II Inc.(TICKER: NONA) has changed its fiscal year end from Sept. 30 to June 30, effective June 30, 1990.

The company's executive office is located at 381 South Joe Martinez Blvd., Pueblo West, Colorado 81007 and its telephone number is (719) 547-2557.

-30- 478
#90262c1219 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN C HALL, VP OF B.M.J. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BMJF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90262c1220 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN C HALL, VP OF B.M.J. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BMJF), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,925.

-30- 312
#90262c1221 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EDWIN W TOWNSEND, DIR. OF B.M.J. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BMJF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 82,342.

-30- 324
#90262c1222 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Polydex Pharmaceuticals Ltd.(TICKER: POLX) lost $584,587, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $715,164 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $243,477, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $480,227 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 474
#90262c1223 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MORTON E GOULDER, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $88.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90262c1225 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MORTON E GOULDER, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $78.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,752.

-30- 336
#90262c1226 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Intercontinental Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: ENTI) lost $3.98 million (including a loss of $3.24 million loss from discontinued operations), or $0.05 per share on revenues of $2.32 million for the quarter ended July 27, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.58 million ($2.02 million loss from discontinued operations), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $5.58 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 633
#90262c1227 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 06, 1990, PASKE INVESTMENTS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF BANNER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BNR), BOUGHT 600,000 SHARES AT $7.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,509,996.

-30- 341
#90262c1228 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Dynamic Classics Ltd.(TICKER: DYNC) lost $87,265, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $4.43 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $107,884, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $4.97 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 474
#90262c1229 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, THOMAS J GUILFOIL, DIR. OF BOATMEN'S BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BOAT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,702.

-30- 332
#90262c1230 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Rathbone, King & Seeley Inc. earned $927,000 (includng an extraordinary gain of $302,000), or $0.57 per share, on revenues of $12.76 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $6,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $151,000), but a loss of $0.12 per share after preferred dividend, on revenues of $9.02 million for the same period in 1989.

The company's executive office is located at 350 California Street, San Francisco, California 94104 and its telephone number is (415) 989-6521.

-30- 755
#90262c1231 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, HEVKA H SRAMEK, PRES. OF BOMED MEDICAL MANUFACTURING LTD. (TICKER: BOMD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 304

#90262c1233 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Anvil Investors Services Inc. lost $43,824, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $51,596 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $9,338, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $139,542 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 482

#90262c1234 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FRED GARCIA, PRES. OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281

#90262c1235 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - Cam-Net Communications Network Inc. (TICKER: CWTK) filed a Form 20-F with the NASD stating it lost $3.09 million (including an extraordinary loss of $873,277), or $0.58 per share, on revenues of $2.94 million for the fiscal year ended Feb. 28, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.68 million, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $2.52 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 543

#90262c1236 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, FRED GARCIA, PRES. OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277

#90262c1237 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, FRED GARCIA, PRES. OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,843.

-30- 318
#90262c1238 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM B CHARLES, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90262c1239 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, WILLIAM B CHARLES, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 22,500 SHARES AT $14.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90262c1241 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WILLIAM B CHARLES, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 7,100 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c1242 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLIAM B CHARLES, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 9,700 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c1243 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM B CHARLES, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c1244 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MICHAEL R DABNEY, DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c1245 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MARTIN L BEARER, DIR. OF BT FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BTFC), BOUGHT 1,350 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,135.

-30- 314
#90262c1246 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90262c1247 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90262c1249 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90262c1250 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90262c1251 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX),

SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90262c1252 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90262c1253 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90262c1254 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90262c1255 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90262c1257 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM D WOLFSON, OFFICER OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 307
#90262c1258 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RICHARD A SHANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90262c1259 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD A SHANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90262c1260 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RICHARD A SHANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90262c1261 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RICHARD A SHANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90262c1262 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RICHARD A SHANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 7,700 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90262c1263 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RICHARD A SHANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 173,200.

-30- 304
#90262c1265 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROBERT W LEAR, DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,976.

-30- 296
#90262c1266 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN F WHITE, VP OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,480.

-30- 292
#90262c1267 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FRANCIS E FERGUSON, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1268 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, RICHARD L HUBER, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90262c1269 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, RICHARD L HUBER, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c1270 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, RICHARD L HUBER, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 315
#90262c1271 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JAMES W BOWER, DIR. OF COMMONWEALTH BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: CBKS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1273 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT P HENDERSON, DIR. OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $35.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 306
#90262c1274 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RALPH O DELANEY, DIR. OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), BOUGHT 1,349 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90262c1275 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, RALPH O DELANEY, DIR. OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), BOUGHT 4,373 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 158,989.

-30- 322
#90262c1276 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRANCES H FOX, DIR. OF CCB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CCBF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 147,643.

-30- 312
#90262c1277 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HENRY E BUTWELL, OFFICER OF CROWN CORK & SEAL CO. (TICKER: CCK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $55.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,000.

-30- 327
#90262c1278 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, COMCAST CORP, BEN. OWNER OF COMCAST CABLEVISION OF PHILADELPHIA INC. (TICKER: CCPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $60.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,441,925.

-30- 367
#90262c1279 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RAYMOND G MALZO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE CREDIT INDUSTRY INC. (TICKER: CCR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 359,366.

-30- 355
#90262c1281 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JAMES L MOORE, VP OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,256.

-30- 310
#90262c1282 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JAMES L MOORE, VP OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,040 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90262c1283 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JAMES L MOORE, VP OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,040 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90262c1284 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JAMES L MOORE, VP OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,040 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,740.

-30- 310
#90262c1285 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, HERBERT L OAKES JR, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,634.

-30- 322
#90262c1286 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RICHARD P TURNER, DIR. OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,700.

-30- 301
#90262c1287 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROLAND VANDERMEER, DIR. OF CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CFER), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 330
#90262c1289 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT H BECKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c1290 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT H BECKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,800.

-30- 336
#90262c1291 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN F CAWOOD, DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,233.

-30- 307
#90262c1292 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FRANK M CHERF, DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,157.

-30- 306
#90262c1293 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT L RICE, DIR. OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c1294 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT L RICE, DIR. OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 314
#90262c1295 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THOMAS W KILLILEA, DIR. OF CHANCELLOR CORP. (TICKER: CHCR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 312
#90262c1297 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDWARD L HUTTON, PRES. OF CHEMED CORP. (TICKER: CHE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,244.

-30- 301
#90262c1298 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOSEPH BRESLIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 3,250 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,890.

-30- 343
#90262c1299 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HOWARD M LEITNER, PRES. OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 3,250 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,225.

-30- 326
#90262c1300 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE W RUDY, DIR. OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 3,378 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,611.

-30- 318
#90262c1301 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EARL KRAMER, PRES. OF CONCORD FABRICS INC. (TICKER: CIS), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90262c1302 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, EARL KRAMER, PRES. OF CONCORD FABRICS INC. (TICKER: CIS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 306
#90262c1303 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THOMAS N PACKARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRY LAKE FOODS INC. (TICKER: CLFI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90262c1305 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES R AGLES, VP OF COMERICA INC. (TICKER: CMCA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $38.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 297
#90262c1306 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PAUL M COOK, DIR. OF CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. (TICKER: CMFB), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 812,876.

-30- 331
#90262c1307 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90262c1308 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90262c1309 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90262c1310 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90262c1311 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 251,790.

-30- 324
#90262c1313 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NORA A MERRELL, OFFICER OF CENCOR INC. (TICKER: CNCR), SOLD 4,900 SHARES AT $1.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 300
#90262c1314 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLARD H SCHERRER JR, VP OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 339
#90262c1315 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM D ETTER, PRES. OF CONSUL RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: CNSL), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,950.

-30- 324
#90262c1316 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, PETER A HOWLEY, PRES. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90262c1317 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PETER A HOWLEY, PRES. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90262c1318 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PETER A HOWLEY, PRES. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 205,719.

-30- 331
#90262c1319 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PETER A HOWLEY, PRES. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,033.

-30- 327
#90262c1321 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, HANS L CARSTENSEN III, DIR. OF COCA MINES INC. (TICKER: COCA), BOUGHT 1,750 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,591.

-30- 317
#90262c1322 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FREDRICK O PAULSELL JR, DIR. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 270,474.

-30- 330
#90262c1323 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES P SCHWARTZ JR, CHAIRMAN OF CHAMPION PARTS INC. (TICKER: CREB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 136,916.

-30- 333
#90262c1324 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MELVIN KEPES, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CREST INDUSTRIES INC. (FL) (TICKER: CRII), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $3.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 550,000.

-30- 345
#90262c1325 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, BEN. OWNER OF CONTROL RESOURCES INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRIX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.83 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 346
#90262c1326 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JERRY M MCREE, PRES. OF CENTRAL & SOUTHERN HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CSBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 309,425.

-30- 339
#90262c1327 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, LLOYD M SCHMELZLE, OFFICER OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,100.

-30- 325
#90262c1329 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, BARRY B DONNELL, CHAIRMAN OF CAVALIER HOMES INC. (TICKER: CXV), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 326

#90262c1330 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BARRY B DONNELL, CHAIRMAN OF CAVALIER HOMES INC. (TICKER: CXV), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90262c1331 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, STUART T PEELER, DIR. OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $31.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 298
#90262c1332 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, PHILLIP DASH, DIR. OF DASH INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DASH), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90262c1333 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, PHILLIP DASH, DIR. OF DASH INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DASH), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,000.

-30- 304
#90262c1334 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID D COHEN, OFFICER OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), BOUGHT 3,336 SHARES AT $3.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90262c1335 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID D COHEN, OFFICER OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 3,336 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,466.

-30- 327
#90262c1337 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN L SLACK, CHAIRMAN OF DBA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DBAS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 315
#90262c1338 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, RICHARD EAGAN, VP OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 2,600 SHARES AT $79.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 948.

-30- 325
#90262c1339 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, BV VENDAMERICA, BEN. OWNER OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 3,000,000 SHARES AT $81.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,964,491.

-30- 362
#90262c1340 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, VENDEX INTERNATIONAL BV, BEN. OWNER OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 3,000,000 SHARES AT $81.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,964,491.

-30- 374
#90262c1341 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JAMES C EBY, OFFICER OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP. (TICKER: DGSD), SOLD 8,378 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90262c1342 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES C EBY, OFFICER OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP. (TICKER: DGSD), SOLD 8,378 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,378.

-30- 309
#90262c1343 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RICHARD D STAPLETON, DIR. OF DIME FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DIBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 324
#90262c1345 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES M STACKPOOLE, OFFICER OF DELTONA CORP. (TICKER: DLT), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90262c1346 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JAMES M STACKPOOLE, OFFICER OF DELTONA CORP. (TICKER: DLT), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 307
#90262c1347 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JOSEPH L MALONE, OFFICER OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,044.

-30- 333
#90262c1348 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1989, JAMES V MAURO, OFFICER OF CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DOSE), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $3.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 290

#90262c1349 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, JAMES V MAURO, OFFICER OF CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DOSE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90262c1350 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, JAMES V MAURO, OFFICER OF CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DOSE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,000.

-30- 328
#90262c1351 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1353 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1354 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1355 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1356 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1357 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,000.

-30- 303
#90262c1358 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1359 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90262c1361 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1362 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1363 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $7.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1364 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1365 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90262c1366 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,500.

-30- 305
#90262c1367 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 17, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $12.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90262c1369 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90262c1370 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90262c1371 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90262c1372 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PETRUS HUYSMANS, DIR. OF DTI MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: DTIM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,222.

-30- 313
#90262c1373 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90262c1374 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90262c1375 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90262c1377 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 8,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90262c1378 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 614,254.

-30- 359
#90262c1379 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, BRADFORD J MUMM, VP OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,000.

-30- 332
#90262c1380 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CALVIN J CLEMENTS, DIR. OF DAWSON GEOPHYSICAL CO. (TICKER: DWSN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c1381 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, CALVIN J CLEMENTS, DIR. OF DAWSON GEOPHYSICAL CO. (TICKER: DWSN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c1382 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CALVIN J CLEMENTS, DIR. OF DAWSON GEOPHYSICAL CO.

(TICKER: DWSN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,600.

-30- 328
#90262c1383 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 25, 1990, COURTLANDT G MILLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DIAGNOSTEK INC. (TICKER: DXTK), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 363,495.

-30- 335
#90262c1385 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, WILLIAM C HATCHER, DIR. OF ECHLIN INC. (TICKER: ECH), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,680.

-30- 301
#90262c1386 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WILLIAM R GREGORY, PRES. OF ESELCO INC. (TICKER: EDSE), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90262c1387 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DALE L WOODRUFF, DIR. OF THE ENCORE GROUP INC. (TICKER: EGRP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c1388 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DALE L WOODRUFF, DIR. OF THE ENCORE GROUP INC. (TICKER: EGRP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,478.

-30- 318
#90262c1389 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRAVIS G HICKMAN, VP OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,139.

-30- 333
#90262c1390 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, EDWARD M FASULO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ELSINORE CORP. (TICKER: ELS), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 330
#90262c1391 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, HILLIARD W PAIGE, DIR. OF ERC ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY SERVICES CO. (TICKER: ERCE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90262c1393 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, M RICHARD ASHER, DIR. OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,666.

-30- 309
#90262c1394 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CARROLL M MARTENSON, CHAIRMAN OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,700.

-30- 323
#90262c1395 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, GEOFFREY R MARTIN, SHAREHOLDER OF EARTH TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: ETCO), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 98,400.

-30- 335
#90262c1396 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PATRICIA E MONTGOMERY, OFFICER OF EARTH TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: ETCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 336
#90262c1397 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, DUDLEY E DAWSON JR, DIR. OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,488.

-30- 340
#90262c1398 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT E MCNEILLY JR, DIV. OFFICER OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90262c1399 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, LORA S FLANAGAN, DIR. OF FAY'S INC. (TICKER: FAY), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90262c1401 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, W RICHARD BLACKWOOD, DIR. OF F.N.B. CORP. (TICKER: FBAN), BOUGHT 955 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90262c1402 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, W RICHARD BLACKWOOD, DIR. OF F.N.B. CORP. (TICKER: FBAN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90262c1403 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, W RICHARD BLACKWOOD, DIR. OF F.N.B. CORP. (TICKER: FBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,790.

-30- 311
#90262c1404 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOSEPH M WALTON, DIR. OF F.N.B. CORP. (TICKER: FBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,114.

-30- 300
#90262c1405 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOSEPH M WALTON, DIR. OF F.N.B. CORP. (TICKER: FBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,609.

-30- 301
#90262c1406 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN L KELSEY, DIR. OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. (TICKER: FBO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c1407 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN L KELSEY, DIR. OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. (TICKER: FBO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90262c1409 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLOTTE H HANSEN, DIR. OF FIRST BANK SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FBS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.66 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,003.

-30- 324
#90262c1410 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PHILIP G HEASLEY, DIV. OFFICER OF FIRST BANK SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FBS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,768.

-30- 338
#90262c1411 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GERALD C RYAN JR, DIR. OF FIRST BANK SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FBS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,704.

-30- 323
#90262c1412 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM G SELL, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 1,367 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 318
#90262c1413 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DEAN C RAMSEY, DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90262c1414 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DEAN C RAMSEY, DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,830.

-30- 336
#90262c1415 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, SOMERSET GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST INDIANA CORP. (TICKER: FISB), BOUGHT 47,500 SHARES AT $9.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 688,060.

-30- 336
#90262c1417 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN C DORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 3,075 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,333.

-30- 325
#90262c1418 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 14, 1990, D LINN WILEY, DIR. OF FREYMILLER TRUCKING INC. (TICKER: FRML), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 323
#90262c1419 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 02, 1990, STERLING V VARNER, OFFICER OF FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FRTH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c1420 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, STERLING V VARNER, OFFICER OF FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FRTH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,237.

-30- 330
#90262c1421 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD SAKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FOODARAMA SUPERMARKETS INC. (TICKER: FSM), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90262c1422 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD SAKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FOODARAMA SUPERMARKETS INC. (TICKER: FSM), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90262c1423 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RICHARD SAKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FOODARAMA SUPERMARKETS INC. (TICKER: FSM), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90262c1425 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 315 SHARES AT $26.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1426 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90262c1427 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1428 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,555 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1429 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 445 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1430 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,555 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1431 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 445 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1433 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,151,821.

-30- 328
#90262c1434 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $29.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287

#90262c1435 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $29.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1436 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,175 SHARES AT $27.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1437 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 625 SHARES AT $27.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1438 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1439 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $27.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1441 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 304

#90262c1442 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1443 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1444 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1445 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,663 SHARES AT $26.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1446 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1447 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $26.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 291

#90262c1449 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $26.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1450 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1451 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 4,637 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1452 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $25.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1453 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $27.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,165,385.

-30- 332
#90262c1454 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MILTON PORTER, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE OF FOSTER (L.B.) CO. (TICKER: FSTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,264.

-30- 339
#90262c1455 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, BRIGITTE DEGASTINES, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIND/SVP INC. (TICKER: FSVP), BOUGHT 612,500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,107,263.

-30- 349
#90262c1457 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RONALD E FERGUSON, DIR. OF FINEVEST FOODS INC. (TICKER: FVF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c1458 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RONALD E FERGUSON, DIR. OF FINEVEST FOODS INC. (TICKER: FVF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,300.

-30- 318
#90262c1459 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 22, 1990, MICHAEL J ASBELL, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FXBC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90262c1460 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MICHAEL J ASBELL, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FXBC), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90262c1461 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL J ASBELL, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC.

(TICKER: FXBC), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90262c1462 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MICHAEL J ASBELL, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC.
(TICKER: FXBC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90262c1463 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1989, MICHAEL J ASBELL, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC.
(TICKER: FXBC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS
TO 2,000.

-30- 323
#90262c1465 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, GEORGE M NEVERS, PRES. OF GARNET RESOURCES CORP.
(TICKER: GARN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 4,100.

-30- 324
#90262c1466 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ROBERT S SMITH, VP OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC.
(TICKER: GDC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1467 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT S SMITH, VP OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC.
(TICKER: GDC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90262c1468 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ROBERT S SMITH, VP OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GDC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,574.

-30- 323
#90262c1469 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, CORNELIUS C BOND, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,138.

-30- 313
#90262c1470 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CORNELIUS C BOND, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90262c1471 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CORNELIUS C BOND, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90262c1473 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,138.

-30- 319
#90262c1474 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90262c1475 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90262c1476 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,118.

-30- 319
#90262c1477 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90262c1478 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,131,700.

-30- 359
#90262c1479 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DAVID M GAVRIN, DIR. OF GERAGHTY & MILLER INC. (TICKER: GMGW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c1481 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID M GAVRIN, DIR. OF GERAGHTY & MILLER INC. (TICKER: GMGW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

5,500.

-30- 320
#90262c1482 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC.
CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90262c1483 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC.
CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90262c1484 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC.
CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90262c1485 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC.
CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90262c1486 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC.
CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90262c1487 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC.

CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,800.

-30- 356
#90262c1489 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90262c1490 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90262c1491 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90262c1492 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90262c1493 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,800.

-30- 353
#90262c1494 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RICHARD L DAWLEY, VP OF GROSSMAN'S INC. (TICKER: GROS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 304
#90262c1495 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, CHARLES GELMAN, SHAREHOLDER OF GELMAN SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GSC), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c1497 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HENRY L WASZKOWSKI JR, DIR. OF GTS CORP. (TICKER: GTSC), SOLD 3,250 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125.

-30- 298
#90262c1498 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GERALD E MAYO, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90262c1499 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JEFFREY L BLEUSTEIN, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 164,528.

-30- 320
#90262c1500 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES M BROSTOWITZ, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,386.

-30- 320

#90262c1501 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, THOMAS A GELB, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,472.

-30- 306
#90262c1502 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, TIMOTHY K HOELTER, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 177,500.

-30- 317
#90262c1503 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JAMES H PATERSON, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,750.

-30- 316
#90262c1505 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES L ZIEMER, OFFICER OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,536.

-30- 322
#90262c1506 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1987, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90262c1507 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1987, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 718,500.

-30- 303
#90262c1508 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90262c1509 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 715,000.

-30- 302
#90262c1510 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 711,500.

-30- 302
#90262c1511 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90262c1513 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90262c1514 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90262c1515 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 18, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90262c1516 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 19, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90262c1517 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 19, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90262c1518 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90262c1519 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90262c1521 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90262c1522 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90262c1523 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 717,000.

-30- 322
#90262c1524 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STUART KAUFMAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHINFUSION INC. (TICKER: HINF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 363
#90262c1525 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MELVIN E LEVINSON, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHINFUSION INC. (TICKER: HINF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 525,925.

-30- 350
#90262c1526 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, VERNON D HERBST, CHAIRMAN OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c1527 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, VERNON D HERBST, CHAIRMAN OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c1529 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JODA D ATTAWAY, OFFICER OF IMO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IMD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90262c1530 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JODA D ATTAWAY, OFFICER OF IMO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IMD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 310
#90262c1531 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), SOLD 6,700 SHARES AT $5.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90262c1532 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 255,500.

-30- 344
#90262c1533 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM J SPENCE, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANK CORP. (MA) (TICKER: INDB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 210,485.

-30- 336
#90262c1534 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM H HANCOCK JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KRISCH AMERICAN INNS INC. (TICKER: INNS), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90262c1535 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM H HANCOCK JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KRISCH AMERICAN INNS INC. (TICKER: INNS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90262c1537 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JOHN W ZEVENBERGEN, DIR. OF INTERMEC CORP. (TICKER: INTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 313
#90262c1538 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, THOMAS A MCAULEY, DIR. OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90262c1539 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, THOMAS A MCAULEY, DIR. OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,250.

-30- 312
#90262c1540 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, G RAY MILLER, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL TELECHARGE INC. (TICKER: ITI), SOLD 6,900 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 9,500.

-30- 323
#90262c1541 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, HAROLD B SMITH JR, CHAIRMAN OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $51.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,679,745.

-30- 341
#90262c1542 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MARK K ROSENFELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90262c1543 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MARK K ROSENFELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 823,842.

-30- 375
#90262c1545 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90262c1546 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90262c1547 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90262c1548 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 790,980.

-30- 362
#90262c1549 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 56,411 SHARES AT $23.24 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1550 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 22,900 SHARES AT $22.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1551 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 28,866 SHARES AT $23.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1553 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $22.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1554 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 9,255 SHARES AT $23.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90262c1555 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RONALD M REBNER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KEITHLEY INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: KEI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,454.

-30- 350
#90262c1556 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN H FITZPATRICK, VP OF KEMPER CORP. (TICKER: KEM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90262c1557 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JEFFREY WHITTINGTON, OFFICER OF QUEST FOR VALUE DUAL PURPOSE FUND INC. (TICKER: KFV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,100.

-30- 367
#90262c1558 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ALOYSIUS T MCLAUGHLIN JR, DIR. OF KENNAMETAL INC. (TICKER: KMT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90262c1559 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ALOYSIUS T MCLAUGHLIN JR, DIR. OF KENNAMETAL INC. (TICKER: KMT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90262c1561 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, BARBARA K TOOMEY, DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), SOLD 9,725 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 318,275.

-30- 317
#90262c1562 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ROBERT W ABBOTT, OFFICER OF LANCER CORP. (TICKER: LAN), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90262c1563 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90262c1564 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90262c1565 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90262c1566 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90262c1567 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,533,171.

-30- 326
#90262c1569 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124,920.

-30- 322
#90262c1570 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HAL HALPERN, OFFICER OF LASER PRECISION CORP. (TICKER: LASR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 319
#90262c1571 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WILLIAM C NORDSTROM, OFFICER OF LASER PRECISION CORP. (TICKER: LASR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 331
#90262c1572 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JOHN K BRIGDEN, DIR. OF LOGICON INC. (TICKER: LGN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90262c1573 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN K BRIGDEN, DIR. OF LOGICON INC. (TICKER: LGN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90262c1574 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN K BRIGDEN, DIR. OF LOGICON INC. (TICKER: LGN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90262c1575 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JEROME A CHAZEN, CHAIRMAN OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,520,263.

-30- 324
#90262c1577 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT C DOBKIN, VP OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c1578 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT C DOBKIN, VP OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c1579 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT C DOBKIN, VP OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 372,807.

-30- 319

#90262c1580 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90262c1581 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90262c1582 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90262c1583 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 3,400 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90262c1585 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 304
#90262c1586 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN R SLOAN, PRES. OF ARIS CORP. (TICKER: LMNT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 256

#90262c1587 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOHN R SLOAN, PRES. OF ARIS CORP. (TICKER: LMNT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90262c1588 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN R SLOAN, PRES. OF ARIS CORP. (TICKER: LMNT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 243,000.

-30- 293
#90262c1589 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT T RAKICH, PRES. OF LAURENTIAN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: LQ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,000.

-30- 325
#90262c1590 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, HENK J EVENHUIS, VP OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,181.

-30- 310
#90262c1591 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DARIUSH RAFINEJAD, OFFICER OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,945.

-30- 321
#90262c1593 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HARRY A MERLO, DIR. OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 98,627.

-30- 327
#90262c1594 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT MCNALLY, VP OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90262c1595 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROBERT MCNALLY, VP OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,400.

-30- 288
#90262c1596 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT W SCHER, VP OF THE LUBRIZOL CORP. (TICKER: LZ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $41.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90262c1597 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT W SCHER, VP OF THE LUBRIZOL CORP. (TICKER: LZ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $41.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90262c1598 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT W SCHER, VP OF THE LUBRIZOL CORP. (TICKER: LZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,243.

-30- 294
#90262c1599 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, THOMAS W SMITH, DIR. OF MACDERMID INC. (TICKER: MACD),

BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,098.

-30- 302
#90262c1601 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DANIEL L LAMARCHE, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c1602 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DANIEL L LAMARCHE, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c1603 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DANIEL L LAMARCHE, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c1604 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DANIEL L LAMARCHE, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90262c1605 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DANIEL L LAMARCHE, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,100.

-30- 318
#90262c1606 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 181,287.

-30- 311
#90262c1607 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90262c1609 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DARRELL D MARTIN, OFFICER OF MARKEL CORP. (TICKER: MAKL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,800.

-30- 308
#90262c1610 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HORACE W BERNTON, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90262c1611 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HORACE W BERNTON, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90262c1612 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HORACE W BERNTON, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 183,324.

-30- 332
#90262c1613 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, THEODORE C KNAPPEN, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,146.

-30- 333
#90262c1614 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LAWRENCE F PIGUONE, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,344 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,929.

-30- 333
#90262c1615 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, RICHARD K SLATER, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,109.

-30- 331
#90262c1617 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, LEON J KARVELIS JR, VP OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $39.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90262c1618 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LEON J KARVELIS JR, VP OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 291
#90262c1619 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, WILLIAM T HUGHES, PRES. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90262c1620 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM T HUGHES, PRES. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90262c1621 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM T HUGHES, PRES. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90262c1622 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, WILLIAM T HUGHES, PRES. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90262c1623 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM T HUGHES, PRES. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 336
#90262c1625 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, F MICHAEL JOHNSON, VP OF MOBILE NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MBNC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,326.

-30- 310
#90262c1626 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, TOM A ALBERG, VP OF MCCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: MCAW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 1,453.

-30- 339
#90262c1627 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL L CONLEY, VP OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 3,800 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,200.

-30- 303
#90262c1628 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROGER H LEXELL, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 1,562 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,666.

-30- 313
#90262c1629 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, CLIFFORD H RABER, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,311.

-30- 314
#90262c1630 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CLIFFORD H RABER, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90262c1631 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID ROME, DIR. OF MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. (TICKER: MCFE), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 222,000.

-30- 312
#90262c1633 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WILLIAM B SUMMERS JR, PRES. OF MCDONALD & CO. INVESTMENTS INC. (TICKER: MDD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 133,706.

-30- 344
#90262c1634 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VINCENT SHUNSKY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MEDAR INC. (TICKER: MDXR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90262c1635 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, VINCENT SHUNSKY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MEDAR INC. (TICKER: MDXR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 320
#90262c1636 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, VAN HORSLEY, PRES. OF MEDICAL DYNAMICS INC. (TICKER: MEDY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,080.

-30- 316
#90262c1637 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, VAN HORSLEY, PRES. OF MEDICAL DYNAMICS INC. (TICKER: MEDY), BOUGHT 12,300 SHARES AT $1.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 321
#90262c1638 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1990, NORMAN M JONES, CHAIRMAN OF METROPOLITAN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: MFC), BOUGHT 115 SHARES AT $11.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90262c1639 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JOHN R HOLLAND, DIR. OF PINNACLE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MFSB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 315
#90262c1641 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HAMMOND G REED, VP OF MULTIBANK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: MLTF), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,208.

-30- 321
#90262c1642 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MICHAEL I SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF MICROCOM INC. (TICKER: MNPI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90262c1643 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, MICHAEL I SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF MICROCOM INC. (TICKER: MNPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,252.

-30- 311
#90262c1644 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEWART W BAINUM, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MANOR CARE INC. (TICKER: MNR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90262c1645 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEWART W BAINUM, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MANOR CARE INC. (TICKER: MNR), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,148,447.

-30- 343
#90262c1646 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEWART W BAINUM JR, CHAIRMAN OF MANOR CARE INC. (TICKER: MNR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c1647 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEWART W BAINUM JR, CHAIRMAN OF MANOR CARE INC. (TICKER: MNR), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,303,176.

-30- 338
#90262c1649 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JOSEPH F GLOUDEMAN, PRES. OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c1650 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JOSEPH F GLOUDEMAN, PRES. OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c1651 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JOSEPH F GLOUDEMAN, PRES. OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c1652 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOSEPH F GLOUDEMAN, PRES. OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 435,200.

-30- 333
#90262c1653 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOSEPH F GLOUDEMAN, PRES. OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90262c1654 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JOSEPH F GLOUDEMAN, PRES. OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c1655 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOSEPH F GLOUDEMAN, PRES. OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 437,300.

-30- 337
#90262c1657 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FRED L SHAPIRO, DIR. OF MINNTECH CORP. (TICKER: MNTX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,425.

-30- 306
#90262c1658 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOHN H KREHBIEL JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90262c1659 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOHN H KREHBIEL JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), SOLD 55,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,887,660.

-30- 356
#90262c1660 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN C PSALTIS, OFFICER OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90262c1661 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN C PSALTIS, OFFICER OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,556.

-30- 303
#90262c1662 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MORTON L TOPFER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $82.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90262c1663 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MORTON L TOPFER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $76.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90262c1665 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MORTON L TOPFER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $74.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90262c1666 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PATRICK F PATRICK, PRES. OF METROPOLITAN FEDERAL S&L ASSN (WA) (TICKER: MSEA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,500.

-30- 355
#90262c1667 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WAYNE W BENNETT, DIR. OF MISSION VALLEY BANCORP.(CA) (TICKER: MVBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,570.

-30- 338
#90262c1668 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CLARENCE B TODD, VP OF MYLAN LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: MYL), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c1669 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CLARENCE B TODD, VP OF MYLAN LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: MYL), BOUGHT 8,300 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 320
#90262c1670 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, WILLIAM F SCHMIED, DIR. OF NORTHEAST BANCORP. (TICKER: NBIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 321
#90262c1671 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERTS (SAM) NOBLE FOUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF NOBLE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: NBL), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,363,140.

-30- 367
#90262c1673 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, LARRY ALTMAN, DIR. OF NATIONWIDE CELLULAR SVC INC. (TICKER: NCEL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 345,000.

-30- 330
#90262c1674 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT C JAMES, VP OF NCR CORP. (TICKER: NCR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $69.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,392.

-30- 286
#90262c1675 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, TOMMY C CRAIGHEAD, DIR. OF NOBLE DRILLING CORP (TICKER: NDCO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,323.

-30- 321
#90262c1676 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILSON NOLEN, DIR. OF SCUDDER NEW EUROPE FD INC. (TICKER: NEF), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 323
#90262c1677 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CMNY CAPITAL LP, BEN. OWNER OF NEW LINE CINEMA CORP. (TICKER: NLN), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 860,941.

-30- 330
#90262c1678 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GEORGE N DERHOFER, VP OF NUTMEG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NUTM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 309
#90262c1679 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN B ARNOLD, DIR. OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90262c1681 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ROYCE N SANNER, OFFICER OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 323
#90262c1682 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROYCE N SANNER, OFFICER OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 313
#90262c1683 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROBERT C SNYDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUANEX CORP. (TICKER: NX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90262c1684 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROBERT C SNYDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUANEX CORP. (TICKER: NX), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90262c1685 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT C SNYDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUANEX CORP. (TICKER: NX), BOUGHT 8,200 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,960.

-30- 323
#90262c1686 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JACK R WOLFF, OFFICER AND DIR. OF OMNI FILMS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OFII), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,000.

-30- 348
#90262c1687 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOHN P KELLER, DIR. OF OLD KENT FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: OKEN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 324
#90262c1689 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, THOMAS B BOKLUND, PRES. OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 5,013 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,339.

-30- 327
#90262c1690 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MILO LONG, OFFICER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 2,681 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,739.

-30- 320
#90262c1691 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ROBERT J SIKORA, VP OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 5,014 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,633.

-30- 320
#90262c1692 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FRANK D OSBORN, PRES. OF OSBORN COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: OSBN), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 739,545.

-30- 332
#90262c1693 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PHILLIP HORSLEY, DIR. OF PAYCHEX INC. (TICKER: PAYX), BOUGHT 4,800 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,175.

-30- 300
#90262c1694 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, NORMAN TULCHIN, BEN. OWNER OF PCA INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PCAI), BOUGHT 1,148 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90262c1695 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, NORMAN TULCHIN, BEN. OWNER OF PCA INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PCAI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 131,431.

-30- 325
#90262c1697 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MARK C PIGOTT, VP OF PACCAR INC. (TICKER: PCAR), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,708,926.

-30- 294
#90262c1698 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, SANDRA C OWEN, OFFICER OF PROPERTY CAPITAL TRUST (TICKER: PCT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c1699 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, PALMER W BIGELOW JR, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 344
#90262c1700 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, PALMER W BIGELOW JR, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 337
#90262c1701 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DAVID T BENNETT, DIR. OF PACIFIC-EUROPEAN GROWTH FD INC. (TICKER: PEF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 337
#90262c1702 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, REX CROSLAND, CHAIRMAN OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90262c1703 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, REX CROSLAND, CHAIRMAN OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c1705 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, REX CROSLAND, CHAIRMAN OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 696,503.

-30- 334
#90262c1706 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, T B C LIMITED, OFFICER OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90262c1707 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, T B C LIMITED, OFFICER OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,114.

-30- 341
#90262c1708 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT P DR MERIWETHER, DIR. OF PEOPLES FIRST CORP. (TICKER: PFKY), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,629.

-30- 331
#90262c1709 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES F ORR III, DIR. OF PEOPLES HERITAGE FINL GROUP INC. (TICKER: PHBK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 3,542.

-30- 338
#90262c1710 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, STEPHEN A FRAGAPANE, VP OF PHH CORP. (TICKER: PHH), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,200.

-30- 295
#90262c1711 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 20, 1988, JACK S WHISNANT, OFFICER OF PIEDMONT MINING CO.,INC. (TICKER: PIED), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c1713 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT DIAMOND, DIR. OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 20,300 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,414.

-30- 333
#90262c1714 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, LANCE B ROSEMORE, PRES. OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 137,709.

-30- 322
#90262c1715 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LANCE B ROSEMORE, PRES. OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 380 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,170.

-30- 318
#90262c1716 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MARK J GALLAGHER, VP OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,628.

-30- 330
#90262c1717 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RICHARD D SEGAL, DIR. OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,300.

-30- 316
#90262c1718 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DENNIS R ALEXANDER, CHAIRMAN OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,250 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,059,547.

-30- 331
#90262c1719 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, LAURENCE F MULHERN, OFFICER OF PERINI INVESTMENT PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: PNV), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90262c1721 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: PNY), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $26.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,351,900.

-30- 361
#90262c1722 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c1723 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90262c1724 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90262c1725 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 286,281.

-30- 320
#90262c1726 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, STEPHEN W SEALE JR, DIR. OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,546.

-30- 315
#90262c1727 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM J BALLARD, OFFICER OF PRICOR INC. (TICKER: PRCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 308
#90262c1729 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CITIZENS & SOUTHERN TRUST CO, TTEE OF POLAROID CORP. (TICKER: PRD), BOUGHT 609 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,989,386.

-30- 336
#90262c1730 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, POLAROID SEP & TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF POLAROID CORP. (TICKER: PRD), SOLD 7,007 SHARES AT $35.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c1731 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, POLAROID SEP & TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF POLAROID CORP. (TICKER: PRD), BOUGHT 609 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,989,386.

-30- 330
#90262c1732 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FRANK J ROBERTS, DIR. OF PUGET SOUND BANCORP. (TICKER: PSNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,866.

-30- 324
#90262c1733 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DENNIS DRIBIN, OFFICER OF PLASMA-THERM INC. (TICKER: PTIS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90262c1734 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DENNIS DRIBIN, OFFICER OF PLASMA-THERM INC. (TICKER: PTIS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 314
#90262c1735 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, MEL G GRINSPAN, DIR. OF SEVEN OAKS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: QPON), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,625.

-30- 328
#90262c1737 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DONALD DANFORTH JR, DIR. OF RALSTON PURINA CO. (TICKER: RAL), SOLD 3,100 SHARES AT $90.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 177,165.

-30- 318
#90262c1738 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MARSHALL B PAYNE, DIR. OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,591.

-30- 301
#90262c1739 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, EDWARD W ROSE III, DIR. OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 343,337.

-30- 301
#90262c1740 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, MARI ANN BLATCH, VP OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,619.

-30- 320
#90262c1741 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LARRY EDWARDS, PRES. OF RELIABILITY INC. (TICKER: REAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,850.

-30- 306
#90262c1742 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, THOMAS F OCONNOR, PRES. OF REGIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: REGB), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90262c1743 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, THOMAS F OCONNOR, PRES. OF REGIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: REGB), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90262c1745 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, EDWARD E STRICKLAND, DIR. OF REUTER INC. (TICKER: REUT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,500.

-30- 305
#90262c1746 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT C ELLIOTT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF REXWORKS INC. (TICKER: REXW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 329
#90262c1747 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, EDWARD R SISOLAK, VP OF REXWORKS INC. (TICKER: REXW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 299
#90262c1748 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JAMES W ROBINSON, DIR. OF ROBINSON NUGENT INC. (TICKER: RNIC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,075.

-30- 323
#90262c1749 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ARTHUR D CHARPENTIER, DIR. OF RUSS BERRIE & CO. (TICKER: RUS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 316
#90262c1750 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ALEXANDER E KUHNE, VP OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 332
#90262c1751 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDWARD I WASHELESKI, OFFICER OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 351
#90262c1753 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, EDGAR J MARSTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SOUTHDOWN INC. (TICKER: SDW), SOLD 5,400 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 329
#90262c1754 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DAVID A MAHNKE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SEA GALLEY STORES INC. (TICKER: SEAG), SOLD 15,733 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,047.

-30- 345
#90262c1755 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID E GOFORTH, VP OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SEC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,800.

-30- 323
#90262c1756 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, HUGH A DANDRADE, SHAREHOLDER OF SCHERING-PLOUGH CORP. (TICKER: SGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90262c1757 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, HUGH A DANDRADE, SHAREHOLDER OF SCHERING-PLOUGH CORP. (TICKER: SGP), SOLD 2,100 SHARES AT $45.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90262c1758 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, HUGH A DANDRADE, SHAREHOLDER OF SCHERING-PLOUGH CORP. (TICKER: SGP), SOLD 2,900 SHARES AT $45.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,248.

-30- 334
#90262c1759 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT G WALLACE, DIR. OF SCHULMAN (A.) INC. (TICKER: SHLM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 316
#90262c1761 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, THORNTON R LAND, VP OF SELECTIVE INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: SIGI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,279.

-30- 332
#90262c1762 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JEAN D PERCEVAULT, VP OF SCHLUMBERGER LTD. N.V. (TICKER: SLB), SOLD 2,779 SHARES AT $68.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90262c1763 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, SHELDON M BONOVITZ, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90262c1764 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, SHELDON M BONOVITZ, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 2,750 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,685.

-30- 347
#90262c1765 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, SHELDON M BONOVITZ, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 6,250 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,924.

-30- 349
#90262c1766 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, GARY E CARLTON, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 1,221 SHARES AT $13.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c1767 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, GARY E CARLTON, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), SOLD 416 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90262c1769 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, HECTOR MACLEAN, CHAIRMAN OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 1,833 SHARES AT $13.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90262c1770 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, HECTOR MACLEAN, CHAIRMAN OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 663 SHARES AT $13.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,956.

-30- 333
#90262c1771 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, BRUCE E DEWING, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SANDS REGENT (TICKER: SNDS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90262c1772 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JOHN S LEWIS, DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $27.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c1773 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JOHN S LEWIS, DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $26.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90262c1774 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN S LEWIS, DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,162.

-30- 331
#90262c1775 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT H MCKINNEY, CHAIRMAN OF THE SOMERSET GROUP INC. (TICKER: SOMR), BOUGHT 122,063 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 573,545.

-30- 337
#90262c1777 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JOSEPH C SCULLY, CHAIRMAN OF ST. PAUL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SPBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,313.

-30- 327
#90262c1778 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DONN B MILLER, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,094.

-30- 318
#90262c1779 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, R JOSEPH MCLAUGHLIN, VP OF SPIEGEL INC. (TICKER: SPGL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 304
#90262c1780 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN J SHEA, PRES. OF SPIEGEL INC. (TICKER: SPGL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 297
#90262c1781 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RICHARD W WAGNER, VP OF SPIEGEL INC. (TICKER: SPGL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 297
#90262c1782 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, DONALD DEVOE, DIR. OF SPEARHEAD INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SPRH), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 545,782.

-30- 310
#90262c1783 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CHARLES S GIBSON, PRES. OF SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SQNT), SOLD 2,588 SHARES AT $23.71 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 377,138.

-30- 338
#90262c1785 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c1786 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288

#90262c1787 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c1788 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c1789 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c1790 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90262c1791 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90262c1793 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 6,400 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288

#90262c1794 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290

#90262c1795 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290

#90262c1796 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 290

#90262c1797 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400,084.

-30- 331

#90262c1798 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EZRA J DENERSTEIN, PRES. OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291

#90262c1799 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EZRA J DENERSTEIN, PRES. OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 153,724.

-30- 333
#90262c1801 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, A FRANK KNOWLES, DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 319
#90262c1802 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, LESLIE T LEDERER, VP OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,822.

-30- 316
#90262c1803 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALAN STONE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 691,624.

-30- 336
#90262c1804 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LAWRENCE W ONEILL, DIR. OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 324
#90262c1805 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 4,220 SHARES AT $39.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90262c1806 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), SOLD 16,516 SHARES AT $39.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90262c1807 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), SOLD 48,288 SHARES AT $39.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90262c1809 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90262c1810 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $34.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,916,727.

-30- 364
#90262c1811 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SAMUEL F PRYOR IV, DIR. OF SYLVAN FOODS HLDGS INC. (TICKER: SYLN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,581.

-30- 325
#90262c1812 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TANDYCRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF TANDYCRAFTS INC. (TICKER: TAC), BOUGHT 7,190 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 962,178.

-30- 333
#90262c1813 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HUBERT T MANDEVILLE, DIR. OF TALLEY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c1814 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HUBERT T MANDEVILLE, DIR. OF TALLEY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c1815 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HUBERT T MANDEVILLE, DIR. OF TALLEY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c1817 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LEWIS F KORNFELD JR, DIR. OF TANDY CORP. (TICKER: TAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 303
#90262c1818 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LAWRENCE W SCHUMANN, PRES. OF TELECOM CORP. (TICKER: TEL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 310
#90262c1819 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LAWRENCE W SCHUMANN, PRES. OF TELECOM CORP. (TICKER: TEL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90262c1820 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LAWRENCE W SCHUMANN, PRES. OF TELECOM CORP. (TICKER: TEL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 311
#90262c1821 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c1822 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90262c1823 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c1825 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c1826 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $11.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90262c1827 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90262c1828 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90262c1829 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90262c1830 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,563.

-30- 318
#90262c1831 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, PAUL F KELLEHER, OFFICER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90262c1833 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, PAUL F KELLEHER, OFFICER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS

INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,200.

-30- 345
#90262c1834 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, PAUL F KELLEHER, OFFICER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 343
#90262c1835 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, PATRICIA H ELLISON, CHAIRMAN OF TIS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: TIS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,500.

-30- 344
#90262c1836 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DAVID H FINE, VP OF THERMEDICS INC. (TICKER: TMD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90262c1837 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID H FINE, VP OF THERMEDICS INC. (TICKER: TMD), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,152.

-30- 291
#90262c1838 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, KYRIAZI T MELAS, OFFICER OF THERMO ELECTRON CORP. (TICKER: TMO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,728.

-30- 323

#90262c1839 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, THOMAS P PLUNKETT, PRES. OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c1841 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, THOMAS P PLUNKETT, PRES. OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c1842 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, THOMAS P PLUNKETT, PRES. OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c1843 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, THOMAS P PLUNKETT, PRES. OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90262c1844 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, THOMAS P PLUNKETT, PRES. OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90262c1845 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THOMAS P PLUNKETT, PRES. OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,282.

-30- 337
#90262c1846 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DONALD E AUGUST, DIR. OF TOREADOR ROYALTY CORP. (TICKER: TRGL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90262c1847 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DONALD E AUGUST, DIR. OF TOREADOR ROYALTY CORP. (TICKER: TRGL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 319
#90262c1849 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RAY J PULLEY, DIR. OF TRINITY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRN), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $25.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,320.

-30- 309
#90262c1850 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ROBERT A PETERSON, VP OF THE TORO CO. (TICKER: TTC), SOLD 3,390 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,166.

-30- 295
#90262c1851 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, CHARLES W DAVIES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TULTEX CORP. (TICKER: TTX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,623.

-30- 324
#90262c1852 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DONALD L GROSS, VP OF UNITED FEDERAL BANCORP INC.

(TICKER: UFBK), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,879.

-30- 326
#90262c1853 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CHARLES C PEARSON JR, PRES. OF UNITED FEDERAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: UFBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,111.

-30- 340
#90262c1854 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RUTH R MCMULLIN, DIR. OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 306
#90262c1855 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES V GIUFFRA, CHAIRMAN OF USLICO CORP. (TICKER: USC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90262c1857 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MICHAEL J VERROCHI, DIR. OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,612.

-30- 299
#90262c1858 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ALLAN R CAMPBELL, VP OF UNITRODE CORP. (TICKER: UTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 301
#90262c1859 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, DENNIS A PEASENELL, VP OF UNITRODE CORP. (TICKER: UTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90262c1860 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, DENNIS A PEASENELL, VP OF UNITRODE CORP. (TICKER: UTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 304
#90262c1861 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FRANKLIN P WEIGOLD, PRES. OF UNITRODE CORP. (TICKER: UTR), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,500.

-30- 310
#90262c1862 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SYDNEY L CATE, DIR. OF VALMONT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: VALM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 310
#90262c1863 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, THOMAS K REED JR, CHAIRMAN OF VIVIGEN INC. (TICKER: VIVI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 488,466.

-30- 310
#90262c1865 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN A LUKE JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WESTVACO CORP. (TICKER: W), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,153.

-30- 324
#90262c1866 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WESTVACO SVGS&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WESTVACO CORP. (TICKER: W), BOUGHT 46,400 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,269,448.

-30- 337
#90262c1867 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM T BACON JR, DIR. OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,900.

-30- 302
#90262c1868 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HARLAN W IDEL, OFFICER OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,800.

-30- 303
#90262c1869 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM M MORAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $32.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c1870 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, WILLIAM M MORAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $32.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90262c1871 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLIAM M MORAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WETTERAU INC.

(TICKER: WETT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $32.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,000.

-30- 329
#90262c1873 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM B WINKELER, VP OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $32.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,027.

-30- 302
#90262c1874 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, KEITH D ELWICK, DIR. OF WINNEBAGO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WGO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 313
#90262c1875 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PETER A WIGGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WATERHOUSE INVESTOR SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WHOO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 357
#90262c1876 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $50.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90262c1877 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $50.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90262c1878 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $49.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90262c1879 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $49.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90262c1881 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90262c1882 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90262c1883 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,754 SHARES AT $50.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90262c1884 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 986 SHARES AT $51.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90262c1885 09/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, THOMAS C SCOTT, VP OF WASHINGTON NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: WNT), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90262c1886 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, THOMAS C SCOTT, VP OF WASHINGTON NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: WNT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,800.

-30- 316
#90262c1887 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALLAN S GORDON, DIR. OF WESTERN PUBLISHING GROUP INC. (TICKER: WPGI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 334
#90262c1889 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RONALD D JEANCON, DIR. OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO), BOUGHT 115,000 SHARES AT $2.17 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 264,900.

-30- 329
#90262c1890 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, HUGO RUIZ, DIR. OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,681.

-30- 312
#90262c1891 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, HUGO RUIZ, DIR. OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90262c1892 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, HUGO RUIZ, DIR. OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,681.

-30- 312
#90262c1893 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, BERDELL WELLING & CO PSP, BEN. OWNER OF XIOX CORP. (TICKER: XIOX), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90262c1894 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, BERDELL WELLING & CO PSP, BEN. OWNER OF XIOX CORP. (TICKER: XIOX), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90262c1895 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, BERDELL WELLING & CO PSP, BEN. OWNER OF XIOX CORP. (TICKER: XIOX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90262c1897 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BERDELL WELLING & CO PSP, BEN. OWNER OF XIOX CORP. (TICKER: XIOX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90262c1898 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BERDELL WELLING & CO PSP, BEN. OWNER OF XIOX CORP.

(TICKER: XIOX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 199,400.

-30- 334
#90262c1899 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, BERNARD D OLMSTED, OFFICER OF XYLOGICS INC. (TICKER: XLGX), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 312
#90262c1900 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, CHAIRMAN OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90262c1901 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, CHAIRMAN OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,500.

-30- 307
#90262c1902 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.M. STONE OF 3242 LA MANCHA WAY, HENDERSON, NV 89014, HAS FILED TO SELL 129,690 SHARES OF CROWN CALIFORNIA CORP. THROUGH BOETTCHER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 10, 1990.

(CROWN CALIFORNIA CORP. TEL: 619 446-3205)

-30- 405
#90262c1903 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - F.R. REYNOLDS OF 424 15TH ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90402, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF PARMAX INC.(TICKER: PRMX) THROUGH TOLUCA PACIFIC SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 10, 1990.

(PARMAX INC. TEL: 205 881-1310)

-30- 394
#90262c1905 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.E. DAILEY OF 8 PARK MIRAGE, RANCHO MIRAGE, CA 92270, HAS FILED TO SELL 103,333 SHARES OF GOLDEN STATE CAPITAL CORP. THROUGH RAF FINANCIAL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 14, 1990.

(GOLDEN STATE CAP CORP. TEL: 619 259-0100)

-30- 418
#90262c1906 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STONEHENGE CAPITAL CORP OF 1345 SPRUCE ST, SUITE I, BOULDER, CO 80302, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CHIPPEWA RESOURCES CORP. THROUGH TOLUCA PACIFIC SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 10, 1990.

(CHIPPEWA RESOURCES CORP. TEL: 303 298-7425)

-30- 440
#90262c1907 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DRU R NIELSON OF 2901 GULF DR, FAIRFIELD, CA 94533, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF MERLIN MINING CO. (TICKER: MMCO) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 13, 1990.

(MERLIN MINING CO. TEL: 801 521-6700)

-30- 405
#90262c1908 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.D. NORBERTE OF 22872 POCETAS, MISSION VIEJO, CA 92692, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF TOUCHSTONE SOFTWARE CORP.(TICKER: TOSS) THROUGH CRUTTENDEN & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 12, 1990.

(TOUCHSTONE SOFTWARE CORP. TEL: 213 598-7746)

-30- 438

#90262c1909 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.R. BENJAMIN OF 10403 WEST COLFAX #710, LAKEWOOD, CO 80210, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000,000 SHARES OF STERLING CABLE FUND INC. THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 14, 1990.

-30- 379
#90262c1910 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J. WEINSTEIN OF 12 KEVIN CIRCLE, FRAMINGHAM, MA 01701, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF HOLOGIC INC.(TICKER: HOLX) THROUGH NEEDHAM & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 14, 1990.

(HOLOGIC INC. TEL: 617 890-2300)

-30- 388
#90262c1911 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. ROMANCHUK OF 620 EAST 134TH ST, BURNSVILLE, MN 55337, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL GAMING MANAGEMENT (TICKER: INGM) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 14, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL GAMING MANAGEMENT TEL: 612 542-1410)

-30- 454
#90262c1913 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.C. WILSON OF 44 HAWTHORNE RD, ROCK ISLAND, IL 61201, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,411 SHARES OF FIRST OF AMERICA BANK CORP. (TICKER: FAO) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(FIRST OF AMERICA BANK CORP. TEL: 616 383-9000)

-30- 439
#90262c1914 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J. CARTER OF 2702 SUNRISE, ARLINGTON, TX 76006, HAS FILED TO SELL 54,000 SHARES OF QUASAR-TECH INC. THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(QUASAR-TECH INC. TEL: 817 261-5353)

-30- 379
#90262c1915 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.E. KENNY OF 10A FROGMORE ST, TRING, HERTS ENGLAND, OV, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BLYTH HOLDINGS INC. THROUGH FOSTER SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(BLYTH HOLDINGS INC. TEL: 415 571-0222)

-30- 406
#90262c1916 09/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A M N INVESTMENTS LTD OF 6950 E BELLEVIEW #201, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,200,000 SHARES OF HEAVENLY HOT DOGS INC. THROUGH RICHFIELD SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(HEAVENLY HOT DOGS INC. TEL: 813 945-2300)

-30- 437
#90262d1750 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROME (SEPT. 19) - European Economic Community (EEC) trade ministers appealed on Tuesday to their trade partners, particularly Japan and the United States, to help provide a positive outcome for current multilateral trade talks by December, at the latest.

They were speaking of the "Uruguay" round of trade negotiations being held under the auspices of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

At a news conference here following the ministers' meeting at Castelporziano, near Rome, Italian Foreign Trade Minister Renato Ruggiero and EEC Commission vice-president Frans Andriessen said the next negotiation session, to be held in Brussels on December 3-7, "cannot and must not fail".

"Imagine", he said, "the repercussions that might result at this time from failure of the GATT negotiations, with Europe separated from the United States and the northern part of the world separated from the southern".

The EEC ministers agreed that the Gulf crisis must not lead to protectionist reactions, but rather should lead to greater liberalization of world trade.

Mr. Ruggiero and Mr. Andriessen also said that the Community plans to show its solidarity in meeting requests from oil-importing developing countries, and trusts its trading partners will do the same.

Mr. Andriessen noted that "To date, Europe has not reached any agreement with Japan in the automobile sector".

Agriculture will be discussed in Brussels on Wednesday, when the EEC is to decide on a joint program with respect to aid and subsidies in farming.

-30- 1757

#90262d1800 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 19) - A bomb exploded outside a department store in the Philippine capital Wednesday, causing slight damage but no casualties, police said.

The blast caused some damage at the Shoemart department store chain in the suburban Cubao district, according to police.

More than 20 explosions, most of them occurring during the night, have rocked Manila and surrounding towns and cities in the past five weeks, with government buildings, commercial centers, banks and factories being the most common targets.

President Corazon Aquino has blamed the bombings on military rebels who she said were resorting to terrorist activities after failing to topple her in six coup attempts in the past four years.

-30- 913

#90262d1850 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 19) - At least 22 people were killed and 30 injured when a bus plunged into a river in the northern Indian state of Uttar Pradesh, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said Wednesday.

The agency quoted police as saying the accident occured late Tuesday in Chamoli district and that civil and police officials had rushed to the banks of the Alaknanda River to supervise rescue operations.

-30- 589

#90262d2020 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 19) - Around 2,200 catfish, ordered to be killed by anesthetic Thursday are at the center of an environmental row involving the New Zealand government a catfish farm partly-owned by native Maoris.

The fish, imported as eggs from the United States last year, were to be used

in a commercial catfish farming project -- initially approved by the government -- in the far north of New Zealand.

But in the wake of pressure from opponents who claim catfish destroy trout, Fisheries Minister Ken Shirley said Wednesday that the fish, in quarantine near here, would be destroyed.

Backers of the fish farm project include a former Labor Government cabinet minister and Matiu Rata, the leader of a Maori political movement who is standing in next month's general elections against a Labor incumbent.

Mr. Shirley said an independent report had concluded that catfish posed a unacceptable risk, with a high chance of escaping from the farm into lakes and rivers where they would eat trout and crayfish, and compete for food with other species.

Mr. Shirley said New Zealand did not want a repeat of earlier, mistaken imports of rabbits and opossums, which are now devastating large areas of New Zealand.

Trout too, when they were first imported here in 1867, wiped out many native fish species.

The government is likely to find itself in a nasty political row as the catfish farm was a partnership between a church group and a confederation of Maori tribes.

Mr. Shirley denied allegations that the government's decision was racially based. "That is outrageous," he said. "The decision is not anti-Maori, it's simply an environmental issue."

Among those calling for a ban were the Ngati Tuwharetoa Maori tribe, who earn millions of dollars annually from selling trout fishing licenses in the central part of New Zealand's North Island.

Gary Poole of catfish farm co-promoter Presbyterian Support Services said they would seek an injunction to stop the destruction.

-30- 2209

#90262d2030 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 19) - Poland, Bulgaria and Romania have asked Japan for financial assistance to compensate for losses they claim to have suffered following U.N. sanctions against Iraq, the Yomiuri Shimbun newspaper reported Wednesday.

The paper, quoting government sources, said the three countries claimed to have each suffered a loss of one billion dollars following Iraq's August 2

invasion of Kuwait.

The three countries have participated in the embargo on oil imports from Iraq declared by the United Nations Security Council resolution.

The economic difficulties resulting from the embargo have severely affected their planned internal economic reforms, the paper said .

The report said the Japanese government plans to start working out relief measures for Eastern Europe after implementation of its planned contributions for Middle East nations badly hurt by the Gulf crisis, it said.

The planned relief measures will cover not only Poland, Bulgaria and Romania but also Hungary, Czchosovakia and Yugoslavia, the newspaper said.

-30- 1230

#90262d2150 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (SEPT. 19) - Sri Lankan security forces have shot dead 17 suspected rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (Ltte) in the country's eastern province, military officials said Wednesday.

The persons killed were allegedly laying anti-personnel mines when they were confronted by troops Tuesday evening in the Chavalakadai area of the Ampara district, 350 kilometers from here, they said. Troops recovered 25 mines at the scene.

Nine employees of the Lanka survey department sustained serious injuries when suspected Tamil rebels ambushed their jeep on the border of North Central province on Tuesday, military officials said.

The Tamil rebels, who are fighting for an independent homeland in the northeast, were reported to have fired mortars during the day at Jaffna Fort army camp, where a three-month siege by the rebels was brought to an end last Thursday. A soldier was injured.

-30- 1095

#90262d2250 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 19) - Iraq has agreed to allow the evacuation of family members of at least 14,000 Pakistanis working in Iraq, foreign ministry sources said Tuesday.

The sources said the government in Baghdad had hinted that it would provide Iraqi aircraft for the evacuation.

An estimated 40,000 Pakistanis were working in Iraq and 90,000 in Kuwait before the Iraqi invasion of its neighbor August 2.

Some 42,000 Pakistanis have returned home since the invasion and another 1,100 are waiting to leave at refugee camps in Jordan.

-30- 703

#90262d2350 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 19) - Three U.S. military installations to be closed in Britain as part of American defense cuts abroad announced Tuesday are of secondary importance, according to press comment here.

The installations are: an airforce communications center at Martlesham Heath near Ipswich, Suffolk; aircraft repair workshops at Kemble, Gloucestershire; and a standby airbase at Sculthorpe, Norfolk.

The Kemble workshops employing 300 people, most of them British civilians, are within a British airbase which is to be handed back to the British military authorities in two years' time.

The closures come on top of those of three other U.S. bases in Britain, announced in January, involving the departure of 5,000 American military personnel and the loss of 600 jobs for local people.

Those bases are RAF Greenham Common in Berkshire, RAF Fairford in Gloucestershire and RAF Wethersfield in Essex, according to the Daily Telegraph.

-30- 1134

#90262d2400 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 19) - Honda Motor Co. Ltd. Wednesday announced its entry for the second World Challenge for solar-powered cars to be held November in Australia.

Honda's solar car, currently under test, is a single seater with a maximum speed of 120 kilometers (75 miles) per hour.

The race begins in Darwin on the northern coast of Australia and follows a 3,000-kilometer (1,800-mile) course along roads to Adelaide on the southern coast.

Forty-three solar cars from around the world will be competing in the race, Honda said.

-30- 693

#90262d2500 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 19) - The British government has created a post titled British Forces Commander Middle East following its decision to send the 7th Armored

Brigade to the region, the Ministry of Defence announced.

The post will be filled until further notice by Air Vice Marshal Sandy Wilson, 49 who was named as commander of British air units in the Gulf in August when Britain sent two squadrons of Jaguar and Tornado fighters to the region along with a destroyer and two frigates.

He will command all British naval, air and ground forces deployed in the region.

Meanwhile, three deputies from the extreme left-wing of the Labor Party announced that they intended to travel on Wednesday to Jordan and then to Baghdad in a bid to meet Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and to attempt to obtain the liberation of some of the foreign hostages held in the country.

The deputies, Dennis Canavan, Ronnie Campbell and Bob Parry, plan to join a delegation of left-wing European deputies.

-30- 1163

#90262d2620 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 19) - Washington has raised the Philippine quota on U.S. sugar imports to 15.8 percent of the total, the U.S. Embassy announced here Wednesday as the two countries negotiated on the future of American military bases in this former colony.

U.S. Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter has announced that Manila will be allowed to export 262,147 tonnes of sugar, an 11 percent increase on a monthly basis, out of the total U.S. sugar imports from 39 countries in a one-year period from October 1.

Only the Dominican Republic, with a 292,010-tonne share of the U.S. market, would have a larger quota, an embassy statement said.

Philippine shipments would be duty free, it added.

Manila and Washington began negotiations here Tuesday on the future of Clark Air Base and Subic Naval Base, the two largest American military facilities whose lease runs out on September 16, 1991.

On the eve of the talks the U.S. Embassy here announced 9.8 million dollars in U.S. Agency for International Development grants for Philippine projects.

-30- 1253

#90262d2630 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 19) - Japan and the United States are to hold talks on military technology cooperation in Washington next week, the Japanese Defense Agency

said Wednesday.

The two countries are expected to reach an agreement on joint research into ducted engines for missiles, eliminating magnetism on submarines and new missile guidance systems, agency sources said.

The annual meeting, inaugurated in 1980, was suspended in 1988 amid controversy over Japan's plans for a new generation jet fighter. The issue was resolved after Tokyo agreed to build the plane in cooperation with a U.S. manufacturer.

-30- 787
#90262d2710 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MAPUTO (SEPT. 19) - An outbreak of cholera in three Mozambican cities has killed a total of 59 people, the Maputo daily newspaper "Noticias" has reported.

The paper quoted a source in the government health department as saying 1,113 people had been treated for the disease in the cities of Beira, Tete and Quelimane, capitals of the country's three central provinces.

International agencies including the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the British relief organization Oxfam are helping the city authorities fight the spread of the disease, which is usually transmitted by untreated water.

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SUVA (SEPT. 19) - The European Economic Community Wednesday handed over 17 million Fiji dollars (12 million U.S.) for economic projects here and Finance Minister Josevata Kamikamica said he would go to Paris and Brussels to seek more cash.

The EEC's delegate here, Nikolas Alexandrakis, said the aid would help Fiji to "enhance its export base, encourage foreign investment, diversify exports" and reduce reliance on sugar and tourism, Fiji's chief export earners.

Mr. Kamikamica said the government would spend 13 million Fijian dollars (9.1 million U.S.) to create a tax-free zone in Suva providing 2,000 and ultimately 8,000 jobs.

The government will buy land and establish factories for foreign firms while giving them a 13-year tax holiday, he said.

Mr. Alexandrakis, a Greek, said the success of the tax-free zone scheme would make Fiji "a model for the Pacific".

The funding was under the Lome III Convention between 68 African, Caribbean and Pacific countries and the 12 European nations.

Fiji is to receive around 40 million Fijian dollars (28 million U.S.) under the new five-year Lome IV Convention, finalised in Suva in March.

Mr. Alexandrakis said the EEC shared the objectives of the interim administration, installed by Fiji's army commander after his 1987 military coups, to restore the shattered economy and find a new constitution for this multiracial nation.

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AVIGNON, FRANCE (SEPT. 19) - Prince Charles is convalescing in the south of France at the chateau of Baroness Louise de Waldner, a reliable source said Wednesday.

The Prince of Wales, who is recovering from an operation on a broken arm following a polo accident, arrived discreetly by plane in Avignon late Sunday accompanied by a medical team.

He has several times in the past stayed at the chateau in the village of Barroux, near the town of Carpentras. He is expected to stay until Friday at the home of Baroness de Waldner, who is a friend of the British royal family.

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SEOUL (SEPT. 19) - South Korea will take over the operation of a pipeline and four radio sites that the United States plans to close here, U.S. military authorities said here Wednesday.

"We are negotiating to turn over to the (South) Koreans the trans-Korean pipeline, plus five stations on the pipeline," a U.S. military spokesman said.

"We also will close or turn over to the (South) Koreans four microwave communication posts," he said.

U.S. Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney announced Tuesday that the U.S. military was halting or reducing operations at 151 military installations in 10 foreign countries.

The 284-mile-long Trans-Korean Pipeline will be turned over to South Korea in October 1991, a press release by the U.S. forces stationed here said.

There was no immediate comment by South Korean officials on the U.S.

announcement but a South Korean official privately said the move was far from significant.

U.S. forces currently employed at sites and facilities slated to be turned over to South Korea are included in the scheduled withdrawal of U.S. forces, the press release said.

A total of 7,000 U.S. troops including 5,000 non-combatant U.S. ground force and 2,000 airmen will be withdrawn from South Korea by 1993, reducing the number of U.S. troops stationed here to 3,600.

The four communications sites to be turned over were used as signal sites supporting an old microwave radio system. Since the radio system is no longer deemed essential the sites will be relinquished, the release said.

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#90262d2860 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Nairobi (SEPT. 19) - The Eritrean Democratic Movement (Edm) has decided to merge with the Eritrean People's Liberation Front (Eplf), Ethio reported Wednesday.

The Voice of the Broad Masses of Eritrea monitored in Nairobi said the decision was reached during talks between an Edm delegation led and the Eplf leadership in Massawa on September 12.

''The political decision adopted by the (Edm) movement noted that the current call of our broad masses and heroic army was for all national forces to join hands to eradicate once and for all the enemy forces and colonial institutions in our country'', the radio said.

''We accordingly wish to declare to the Eritrean people that in response to that call we have decided to join the Eplf and struggle alongside it,'' the radio said.

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#90262d2990 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 19) - Dealing in the shares of Compagnie Francaise de Raffinage-CFR was suspended on Wednesday as the Total-CFP group said it was preparing to make a bid resulting in removal of the company from the stock listing.

Total-CFP on Tuesday bought 1.017 million CFR shares at 300 francs per share, taking its holding to 98.05 per cent, Total said.

Total-CFP has submitted to the stock market authorities an offer to buy the remaining equity at 300 francs per share with a view to removing Raffinage-CFR

from the list of publicly quoted shares.

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#90262d3030 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (SEPT. 19) - British Secretary of State for Energy John Wakeham Wednesday blamed "worry factors" related to the Gulf situation and not supply shortages for current high oil prices.

"The most important step to take is how to bring back calm to the situation," he said.

Mr. Wakeham was speaking shortly after meeting with President Suharto.

But Indonesian Mines and Energy Minister Ginanjar Kartasasmita, who accompanied Mr. Wakeham, said world oil prices had now reached a critical mark, and called for a commitment from industrial nations to release their stocks.

"There is a range which we see as safe, that is prices between 21 and 26 dollars (a barrel). Above that it is the yellow light, 31-32 dollars is already a red light," Mr. Ginanjar said.

Oil prices this week reached above 33 dollars a barrel, the highest level since 1982, in the wake of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Ginanjara also said that "it appears that prices would not go down again even though every kind of statements have been issued."

He called on industrialized countries to help pressure prices down by issuing a statement saying that they intended to soon release their crude stock.

"If there is even only a statement from industrial countries that they were preparing to release their stocks, prices will go down," Mr. Ginanjar said.

Mr. Wakeham said that his three-day visit to Indonesia which started Tuesday was aimed primarily at exploring ways to promote cooperation between British and Indonesian companies in the energy sector.

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#90262d3050 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 19) - The Singapore International Monetary Exchange (Simex) has announced the launching of its Euromark interest futures contract from Thursday.

Along with the launching of the new contract Simex also offered several incentives to encourage market participation, which included the waiving of clearing fee charged on market-making trades done by designated market makers.

The designated market-makers are: Bankers Trust Company, Dresdner Bank Aktiengesellschaft, Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York and Swiss Bank Corporation.

Simex also offered a 50 percent rebate of the clearing fees for volume up to 3,000 contracts a month and a full rebate if the traded volume exceeds 3,000 contracts per month.

For all other market participants a 50 percent rebate of the clearing fees chargeable on their trades will be granted.

The five-day trading on the Euromark will be conducted from Monday to Friday, with March, June, September and December as contract months. The two-year cycle will begin with December this year as the first contract month.

Delivery will be by cash settlement.

The West German Ambassador to Singapore, Karl Spallcke, will officiate at the launching.

The new launching will make Simex the only exchange in the world to offer three major Euro interest rate instruments in one market place -- Eurodollar, the Euroyen and Euromark.

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#90262d3100 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (SEPT. 19) - Vietnam has introduced strict regulations on gold and foreign exchange dealings, the Nhan Dan daily said here Wednesday.

The new rules -- affecting individuals and companies both domestic and foreign -- call for the setting up of an official market with all transactions outside of banks banned, the newspaper said.

"The setting up of a foreign exchange market with state participation will allow the authorities to play a regulatory role," a Vietnamese banking official said.

The U.S. dollar is currently worth 5,250 dong at the official rate of exchange and fetches 6,300 on the black market.

Vietnamese companies will have to deposit foreign exchange in the country's banks and opening accounts or depositing currency overseas is banned except in special cases, the newspaper said.

It said gold dealing, now also banned in "any cross-border transactions," can only be done through the state bank which will authorise imports.

Gold prices are currently rising regularly in Vietnam, where it fetches 321,000 dong (50 U.S. dollars) per chi (3.7 grams).

The Vietnamese have always seen gold and U.S. dollars as safe havens.

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#90262d3130 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) - A senior International Monetary Fund (IMF) official has urged sticking to strict monetary policies despite the oil shock caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The official, who requested anonymity, said Tuesday the Fund calculates that the surge in oil prices will knock half a point off growth rates of the industrialized economies and cause inflation to accelerate by half to three-quarters of a point in the last quarter of 1990 and in 1991.

Higher oil prices should be passed as quickly as possible to the consumer and the struggle against inflation should be maintained, he insisted, warning against the growth policies adopted in the '70s.

Statistics show developing countries benefitting slightly from the oil crisis, but there are sharp differences between oil producing and exporting countries and oil importing nations, he said.

For some countries, the consequences will be severe, the official said, citing the Philippines, India, Brazil, Jamaica, the Dominican Republic, Morocco, and the Ivory Coast.

Multilateral support should be extended to the countries hardest hit, the official said. The IMF, he added, would "provide the membership the appropriate support."

"The IMF and the World Bank will try to play their role of catalyzer," he said. But the IMF will not establish a special mechanism, as it did in the past, to aid countries hurt by rising oil prices. Instead, the IMF will use the instruments and resources already at its disposal, he said.

On the other hand, IMF directors will propose that member countries to increase their contribution to the Fund's Compensatory and Contingency Financing Facility to help the hardest hit countries.

The senior official raised the possibility that access to the Fund's resources might be expanded beyond the current limit of 110 per cent of a member's quota. But he added that such a move did not appear to be necessary at the moment.

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#90262d3160 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 19) - Iraqis deported two more French nationals residing in Kuwait to an unknown destination earlier this week, a spokesman for the Foreign Ministry announced here Wednesday.

"Two Frenchmen have been carried off to unknown places at the start of the week", spokesman Daniel Bernard said.

"The situation in Kuwait is far from getting better, on the contrary", Mr. Bernard said, adding, "There is an incrasing threat of raids in western circles. Westerners, and notably the French, must therefore take a lot of precautions."

Mr. Bernard did not say under what circumstances the arrests of the Frenchmen were made.

About 360 French nationals are currently being held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait including 100 in hiding in Kuwait, according to foreign ministry figures.

About 60 Frenchmen are being held as human shields in what Iraq considers to be strategic targets.

An informed source said earlier this week that some people holding double nationalities had managed to leave Iraq in recent days by concealing their French nationality. Many of these were reportedly nationals of developing countries.

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#90262d3170 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LOURDES, FRANCE (SEPT. 19) - People visiting Lourdes for the reputedly miraculous beneficial effects of the waters will have to make do with just one drop each in future, as demand is outstripping supply.

In a statement Wednesday, the rectorat of the Lourdes shrine said that the spring was not drying up, but that it was unable to meet the strong demand placed upon it.

The authorities in charge had therefore decided to give priority to using the water in pools for the immersion of the sick.

According to the rectorat, the scarcity of Lourdes water is not so much due to the drought which France has known over the last two years as an increase in the number of visitors to the shrine and the use of larger water taps.

About five million people a year from around the world visit Lourdes, where

the Virgin Mary is reputed to have appeared to Bernadette Soubirous in the middle of the 19th century.

An average of about 12 wonder cures a year are recorded among people who visit the shrine, but since the year 1858 the Roman Catholic Church has only recognised 64 as being genuine miracles.

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#90262d3270 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (SEPT. 19) - The number of Kuwaitis fleeing into Saudi Arabia slowed to a trickle on Wednesday with just 20 people, mostly women and children, entering the kingdom through the sole crossing point at Khafji, Saudi officials said.

Saudi immigration officials at Khafji, some 350 (220 miles) north of here, said the Iraqi occupation authorities in Kuwait had reopened the frontier at 7 a.m. Wednesday after closing it for the night.

Since the Khafji crossing was opened on Saturday, for the first time since the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, about 8,000 to 9,000 Kuwaitis have fled into Saudi Arabia, one Saudi official said by telephone.

But he said that only "about 20" Kuwaitis had crossed into Saudi Arabia as of Wednesday afternoon compared with an average of several hundred by the same time on previous days.

The spokesman said that "only women and children and men over 30" had entered Saudi Arabia on Wednesday through Khafji.

Iraqi troops have been preventing young Kuwait men from crossing the border since Monday, according to Kuwaiti refugees interviewed at the frontier.

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#90262d3350 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (SEPT. 19) - Albania, once Europe's model of self-isolation, has been visited by 21,000 tourists so far this year, up from 16,000 last year, the Albanian news agency ATA reported Wednesday.

The agency, which was monitored in neighboring Yugoslavia, said Greeks were the largest single nationality with 5,000 visitors, followed by Yugoslavs and West Germans.

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#90262d3370 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 19) - Shares in the Tesco supermarket chain rose on a 35.4

percent increase in half-time pre-tax profits to 187.9 million pounds (357 million dollars) from 138.7 million pounds at the same time last yar.

The company said that sales rose by 18.6 per cent to 2.8 billion pounds (5.3 billion dollars). Profits per share rose from 5.7p to 7.04p, while the interim dividend was set at 1.7p up from 1.41p.

The results were sharply above the most optimistic estimates by analysts who had forceast a figure of between 160 million and 167 million pounds.

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WINDHOEK (SEPT. 19) - Angola's first consignment of diesel oil to Namibia -- some 1.5 million litres (390,000 gallons) -- has arrived at the southern coastal port of Luderitz, the Namibian newspaper reported Wednesday.

Valued at 780,000 rands (303,420 dollars), the diesel oil was offloaded on Tuesday, the report said.

Deputy Mines and Energy Minister Helmut Angula described the shipment, the first since Namibia attained its independence from South Africa on March 21, as a "very important and historic moment".

"At the moment we are 100 per cent dependent on South Africa (for fuel) and that is not the kind of dependency we can afford," Mr. Angula said, adding that within five years all Namibia's fuel needs could be met from other sources.

South Africa has also expressed interest in importing oil from Angola, a market which has been closed to it because of its apartheid policies.

But thanks to recent reforms initiated by President Frederik de Klerk, the possibility of a change in policy in the near future was hinted at during bilateral talks between South Africa and Angola here last week, sources said.

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#90262d3580 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (SEPT. 19) - Economic activity in Greece was paralysed on Wednesday by a 24-hour strike supported by about two million workers in the public and private sectors.

International and domestic air traffic by Greek Olympic Airways was badly hit. The strike also disrupted urban transport, public services and hospitals in Athens, while banks remained closed for the 13th successive day.

There was an increase in the number of power cuts which have affected four million inhabitants of the capital since last week. Blank traffic lights and a

big union demonstration caused massive traffic jams.

It was the fifth strike against austere economic policies since conservatives were elected to government on April 8. The last strike was on Thursday.

Unions have protested for 10 days against draft reforms to the social security system and retirement benefits which the government tabled late on Tuesday and which put in question existing advantages.

The government has modified the text to take account of objections, but unions are demanding that the project be withdrawn.

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#90262d3590 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (SEPT. 19) - Iran Wednesday assured Bahrain of its determination to see Iraq withdraw from Kuwait and reiterated its pledge to respect the U.N. embargo against Baghdad, official sources said here.

The assurances were contained in a message from Iranian President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani to the emir of Bahrain, Sheikh Isa bin Salman al-Khalifa, delivered by the Iranian charge d'affaires here, the sources said.

Mr. Rafsanjani told Sheikh Isa his country's position "was in harmony with all the resolutions passed by the United Nations on the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the embargo imposed against Iraq."

Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati gave similar assurances in talks in Teheran late Tuesday with Omani Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Youssef bin Alawi bin Abdallah, Teheran Radio reported.

But Mr. Velayati also described the burgeoning presence of foreign military forces in the Gulf following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait as "a serious danger for the security and independence of the countries of the region."

Mr. bin Abdallah delivered a message to Mr. Rafsanjani from the Omani leader Sultan Qabous.

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#90262d3670 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRAGUE (SEPT 19) - Czechoslovakia and the three Benelux countries -- Netherlands, Luxembourg and Belgium -- have agreed to end tourist visas for their citizens, the Czechoslovak news agency CTK reported Wednesday.

The measure will become effective on Thursday.

Americans and Canadians no longer need visas to visit Czechoslovakia, along

with Austrians, Spaniards, West Germans, Italians, Danes, French, Britons, Norwegians, Icelandics, Swedes and Swiss.

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#90262d3780 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Jersualem (SEPT. 19) - Israeli Premier Itzhak Shmair warned Wednesday that Gulf states ''will fall like a house of cards'' unless Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is overthrown as part of a settlement of the nearly seven-week-old Gulf crisis.

If Saddam, who ordered the August 2 invasion of Kuwait, survived the crisis ''it is very doubtful that all the Gulf states will be able to hang on,'' Shamir told the Jerusalem Post newspaper. ''They will fall like a house of cards ...,'' he added.

Shamir did not rule out an Iraqi attack on Israel if war breaks out in the region, saying, ''We have to treat the statements of Saddam Hussein seriously.''

''Striking at Israel is not only a realization of his ideology, but a step in undermining the whole coalition arrayed against him,'' Shamir added.

''Israel knows how to defend itself and Israel is capable of responding and striking at anyone who tries to harm her,'' he added.

In an interview with the Hebrew newspaper Yedioth Aharonoth (The latest News), Shamir said: ''A situation might occur in which we are confronting Saddam Hussein. Then we will have to see how one can overcome this monsterous, vicious man.''

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#90262d3910 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, Sept 19 (AFP) - U.S. electronics firm Harris Corporation has chosen Plymouth in south west England as the site for a new semiconductor assembly and testing facility to serve its European market, the Minister of Trade and Enterprise Douglas Hogg announced here Wednesday.

The 15 million pound investment is the first phase of a planned two-phase development which could involve 100 million pounds worth of investment and 500 jobs in the area, Hogg said.

The Department of Trade and Industry offered a 1.2 million pound incentive to the Florida-based company, which already has a varistor manufacturing plant in Dundalk, Republic of Ireland.

Harris Corporation marketing department general manager Raymond Oglethorpe

said the site had been chosen from a list of 13 candidate sites in eight European countries.

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#90262d3920 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 19) - Two Indian passenger ships, the Tipu Sultan and the Akbar, are on their way to the Iraqi port of Umm Qasr to pick up Indian nationals who have fled Kuwait, a government spokesman said Wednesday.

The spokesman said the two ships, usually used by the government to take pilgrims to Mecca, had obtained all necessary clearances and sailed from Bombay port Monday night.

"The sailing time is expected to be five or six days," the spokesman said, adding that it was as yet unsure whether the ships would take the passengers to Dubai, or bring them straight home.

Tuesday the government had said almost 50,000 of the 172,000 Indians trapped in Kuwait when it was invaded by Iraq August 2, had been brought home.

A spokesman also said New Delhi was seeking clearance to add airforce transport planes to its fleet of civilian planes picking up refugees from Amman, Jordan.

At the time of the invasion another 10,000 Indians were in Iraq, where chartered buses are arriving almost daily from Kuwait bringing those stranded there for transhipment.

Sunday an Indian cargo ship left Cochin port loaded with some 10,000 tonnes of food destined for its nationals trapped in the Gulf, the first such shipment since the U.N. -sanctionned blockade was imposed against Iraq.

Modalities of the food distribution have yet to be announced, with the U.N. saying its agencies should be responsible for distribution and Iraq saying they will not be allowed to.

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#90262d3930 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 19) - The highest-ranking Vietnamese official to visit China since their 1979 border war arrived Wednesday in Beijing and said the time was ripe for normalization of relations.

Vietnamese Deputy Prime Minister Vo Nguyen Giap's visit came at the invitation of the Chinese Olympic Committee, but observers said the mission was highly political and marked an important step in the rapprochment between the two countries.

Nonetheless, China was maintaining official silence on Mr. Giap's trip several hours after he arrived.

"The Chinese Communist Party and the government have created the necessary conditions for my visit today," Mr. Giap said at the airport, adding that he was "very happy" to be back in China after nearly 13 years.

"I think that the friendly and traditional relationships between the two countries will further develop," he said. "The time is ripe for normalization."

China and Vietnam fought a brief but bloody border war in 1979 after Vietnam invaded Cambodia to oust the Chinese-backed Khmer Rough regime. Since then, relations between the communist neighbors have been strained.

Mr. Giap, a war hero who rose to the rank of general, was to remain "about four days" in Beijing, an informed source said.

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#90262d3940 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 19) - The Chinese-British Joint Liaison Group on Hong Kong will meet here for talks on the colony's future from September 25 to 28, the British Foreign Office announced Wednesday.

The British team will be led by the group's senior representative, Anthony Galsworthy who will be joined by four other officials, the foreign office said in a statement.

A spokesman declined to specify what topics would be on the agenda for the meeting, saying they were normally kept confidential.

It will be the 16th meeting of the group which is charged with overseeing the run-up to 1997 when Hong Kong is to be turned over to China.

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#90262d3950 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VALENCE, Spain (SEPT. 19) - The Gulf crisis could be partly responsible for halving Spain's expected growth rate to 2.5 percent in 1991 from five per cent in 1990, the economic adviser to the Spanish banking association Luis Martinez Arevalo said here on Wednesday.

He said that 1991 would mark the end of an economic cycle since the fall of oil prices in 1986 when growth had been above five percent per year.

Describing the Spanish economy as "currently the most dynamic", he said it might be particularly hard hit as it was an economy in which the Kuwait

Investment Office had invested particularly heavily.

Uncertainty surrounding the management of these investments, which had been frozen, could reduce the growth rate by one percentage point, he said.

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#90262d3990 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 19) - Iraq can only "seize its own debts", Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens said here on Wednesday, commenting on the decision by Iraq to seize foreign assets in Iraq and Kuwait.

"This measure is part of the war of nerves and propaganda, but it is becoming really ridiculous," he told a press conference.

"Saddam Hussein has already done more entertaining turns," he said ironically.

Belgian has scarcely any assets in Iraq and Kuwait where few Belgian companies do business.

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#90262d4080 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 19) - The Philippines suggested Wednesday that Washington reduce Manila's debts as part of a wide-ranging treaty governing future ties and including a reduced U.S. military presence in the country, officials said.

On the second day of talks on the future of U.S. military bases in the Philippines, spokesmen for both sides told a news conference the negotiations bore the name Philippine-American Cooperation Talks (PACT), signifying a mutual desire to further develop bilateral ties.

The talks are focusing on the future of Clark Air Base and Subic Naval Base,

the largest U.S. overseas military facilities whose lease expires on September 16, 1991.

U.S. President George Bush's special negotiator, Richard Armitage, called for a "phasedown and transition period, the rate and length of which have to be determined" with "minimum discomfort and maximum benefit to other countries," U.S. spokesman Stanley Schrager said.

Mr. Armitage called Tuesday for a reduced U.S. military presence in the Philippines, as Washington announced the closure of more than 100 military facilities around the world from next year.

One Philippine official requested American help in managing a 27 billion dollar external debt, "including debt condonation" or reduction, Philippine

spokesman Rafael Alunan told journalists.

Manila's proposal was similar to the debt-reduction scheme the United States is to grant Egypt, following Cairo's agreement to join a U.S.-led military deployment in Saudi Arabia, Mr. Alunan said without elaborating.

The proposed U.S. military phasedown was similar to agreements under which the United States maintains "access to military facilities and some form of small military presence" in other countries, Mr. Schrager said but did not specify a timetable for the military cutbacks.

The talks will turn to security issues Thursday, he said.

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#90262d4100 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 19) - Pakistan is ready to send 10,000 troops to Saudi Arabia - double its current contingent - if Riyadh requests it, a senior government source said here Wednesday.

Pakistan "will consider any Saudi request" to bring the Pakistani contingent to 10,000 men or possibly more, said the source, who asked not to be named.

The idea of assembling an "Islamic force" in the Gulf was being discussed in Islamabad, he added.

"We need them against India, they need us to face Saddam," he said, referring to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, whose troops invaded Kuwait on August 2.

An armed forces spokesman, Brigadier General Riaz Ullah, meanwhile said that Pakistan had sent 2,000 troops to Saudi Arabia since September 1 while 3,000 others were waiting to depart amid "administrative problems" in Riyadh.

"We are not short of manpower. We have a large army and a large reserve," Brig. Gen. Ullah said.

Pakistan has close military ties with Saudi Arabia, which requested additional troops following Iraq's invasion of neighboring Kuwait.

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#90262d4110 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (SEPT. 19) - The Egyptian Trade Union Federation (Etuf) Wednesday said it will present a complaint against Iraq to the International Labour Organisation (Ilo) concerning treatment of Egyptian workers.

Etuf secretary-General Mohammad Hashem said Egyptian workers returning from Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait had said they were badly treated there, were pressured psychologically and in some cases had lived under inhuman conditions.

Many of the estimated 1.5 millions Egyptian workers in Iraq and Kuwait were forbidden to leave those countries, especially the ones working in vital installations, Hashem said.

He charged that Iraqi authorities have forced Egyptians to join the armed forces.

Hashem said the complaint filed with the Geneva-based Ilo would be based on testimonies of many of the 300,000 Egyptians who fled from the Gulf since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

The state-controlled Etuf says it represents about four million Egyptians organised in 23 unions. It recently called on all Egyptians in Iraq and Kuwait to return home.

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#90262d4180 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (SEPT. 19) - A delegation headed by a senior Greek diplomat arrived in Ankara Wednesday for talks aimed at improving frosty relations between the two countries, foreign ministry sources said here.

"No agenda has been prepared" for the contacts between Emmanuel Ghikas, director of the Turkey and Cyprus department in the foreign ministry with senior Turkish officials, sources added.

Foreign Minister Antonis Samaras meanwhile urged the United States in a letter to U.S. Secretary of State James Baker to maintain a seven-to-ten ratio in its military aid to Greece and Turkey, government spokesman Byron Polydoras said.

Ankara and Athens have been at loggerheads for years over the Turkish occupation of northern Cyprus and the delimitation of the continental shelf in the Aegean Sea.

Prime Minister Constantin Mitsotakis and his Turkish counterpart Yildirim Akbulut agreed on a new round of talks on the sidelines of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) summit in London last July.

Earlier attempts to settle the Turkish-Greek dispute all failed.

Greece has accused Turkey of hypocrisy over its stand on the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, drawing a parallel with Ankara's 1974 invasion of Cyprus.

But the Turkish daily Milliyet said Athens was "jealous" of the international approval of Turkey's firm position in the Gulf crisis.

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#90262d4220 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (SEPT. 19) - Two rival Palestinian factions in the Israeli-occupied territories have announced their reconciliation and an agreement coordinating their activities in the Palestinian uprising.

The move by Fatah, the main group in the Palestine Liberation Organization, and the Moslem fundamentalist faction Hamas followed fierce battles between the two over their differing views on Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

In an unprecedented statement issued late Tuesday, the two groups said they would put an end to their differences and define their relations on new terms "aimed at the common struggle against the Zionist enemy."

They said "acts of resistance" would from now on be coordinated between Hamas and the PLO-backed Unified Leadership of the uprising, or intifada in Arabic, which has gripped the West Bank and Gaza Strip since December 1987.

The statement made no mention of the Gulf crisis or the vicious fighting in refugee camps between PLO and Hamas militants -- including attacks with steel bars, axes and knives -- that wounded dozens of people earlier this month.

Hamas, which received funds from the former Kuwaiti leadership, fiercely contested PLO support for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, arguing that Iraq's invasion of Kuwait was similar to Israel's occupation of Palestinian land.

The Sunni Moslem fundamentalist group, formed several months after the uprising began, has been a constant rival of the secular nationalist PLO.

It has accused Yasser Arafat's organisation of corruption and firmly opposed its willingness to claim only the West Bank and Gaza Strip for a Palestinian state rather than the whole of the former British mandate of Palestine.

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#90262d4230 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (SEPT. 19) - Kuwaitis are now adjusting to life under an iron-fisted Iraqi governor who was responsible for a chemical weapons attack on a Kurdish village in northeast Iraq that killed thousands.

Ali Hassan al-Majid, a first cousin of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, was

also responsible for a "scorched earth" policy in Iraqi Kurdistan.

His appointment Sunday, seen in the Gulf as a clear indication that Iraqi intends to rule with an iron fist in Kuwait, coincided with the exodus of thousands of Kuwaitis into Saudi Arabia.

But Iraqi troops that same day began stopping Kuwaiti men aged 15 to 40 from leaving the emirate, according to Kuwaiti officials and witnesses, in what one said was an attempt to conscript them into the Iraqi army.

Mr. al-Majid, 47, and among the closest allies of President Hussein, in March 1987 was named the Baath party official responsible for Kurdistan, a post that also gave him control over the army, police and militia in the area.

Two months later the Iraqi army began a vast operation to depopulate several Kurdish areas. People and cattle were forcibly moved to regions near the Jordanian and Saudi borders, away from their traditional lands.

Western press reports said between 80 and 300 villages were flattened in a matter of days.

Jalal Telebani, head of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan resistance group, announced in May of that year that a broad-based Kurdish insurrection had erupted in response to the population transfers.

The scorched earth policy gained momentum in June 1987 after Iran, then at war with Iraq, launched an offensive that was backed by Iraqi Kurdish rebels, known as peshmergas.

The Kurdish resistance charged that Iraqi forces had used chemical weapons against them, a charge Baghdad denied.

But the doubts vanished the following year, when on March 17 and 18 Iraqi troops gassed Halabja, a 70,000-strong Kurdish community. Western estimates put the number of dead at 4,000 with an equal number wounded.

The Kurdish resistance was finally crushed in September 1988. At the European Parliament in Strasbourg, France, deputies adopted a resolution describing the "extermination" of Iraqi Kurdish civilians "as close to reaching the dimensions of genocide."

Even within Iraq's ruling Revolutionary Command Council there was opposition to Mr. al-Majid's tactics. The government's second-in-command, Izzat Ibrahim, reportedly objected to the brutality and repression carried out in Kurdistan.

Mr. al-Majid apparently was stripped of his responsibilities in the region and in June 1989 was named Minister for Local Government, charged with re-building Iraq after the Gulf war.

His predecessor in the post, Adnan Daoud Salman, and his 12 associates had been sacked by presidential decree for not having rebuilt the southern Iraqi port city of Basra fast enough.

President Hussein wanted Basra, which had been heavily damaged in the eight-year Gulf war, to be re-constructed within three months -- an impossible task.

He next turned his attention to Faw, another devastated Iraqi city that had served as Iraq's principal oil terminal on the Gulf.

It was a challenge accepted by Mr. al-Majid and the rebuilding campaign got underway on June 25, 1989 under the approving eye of Mr. Hussein. Iraqi authorities said some two to three million volunteers came forward to do the job, which proved a success.

Iraq, whose forces seized and occupied Kuwait early last month, has given every indication that it intends to stand by its annexation of the oil-rich emirate.

The Iraqi and Kuwait currencies have been aligned, the Iraqi educational curriculum has been introduced and Kuwait City is to be linked to the Iraqi rail network.

It is still unclear what sort of policy Mr. al-Majid, who both destroyed Iraqi Kurdistan and rebuilt Faw, will pursue in occupied Kuwait, now Iraq's 19th province.

U.S. officials have expressed concern that among the thousands of Kuwaitis fleeing into Saudi Arabia could be concealed teams of Iraqi agents.

Intelligence gathering is also one of Mr. al-Majid's specialties, as he headed an Iraqi spy agency prior to his appointment in Kurdistan.

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ABU DHABI (SEPT. 19) - The United Arab Emirates (UAE), which suffered panic bank withdrawals and a trade slump after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, could now be heading for a mini-boom owing to the Gulf crisis, officials here said.

The financial and trade officials are convinced the UAE economy has overcome the initial impact of the August 2 invasion, when nearly two billion dollars were reported transferred abroad and business activity came to a virtual halt.

"The Gulf crisis will have in the short term - one or two months - some negative effects on the UAE economy and especially the banking sector," UAE

Central Bank Governor Abdul Malik al-Hamar said in an interview this week.

"After that the positive effects will be so large that a possible mini-boom may occur," he said.

Mr. al-Hamar said the major benefit to the Emirates' oil-based economy would come from the effect of the crisis on world oil prices, which have soared to more than 30 dollars a barrel from around 14 dollars before August.

The UAE has also been able to raise its output from a little over one million barrels per day (bpd) to two million bpd owing to OPEC measures to offset the loss of some four million bpd of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil.

"The additional, unexpected oil revenues will help the UAE government to meet all the requirements of economic expansion," Mr. al-Hamar said.

The Central Bank expects the UAE to earn 13 billion dollars from oil exports this year compared to 10 billion dollars in 1989. The 1990 trade surplus is forecast to widen by 14 per cent to 6.26 billion dollars from 5.47 billion.

Mr. al-Hamar said the extra oil revenue will be mainly used by the government to help meet the cost of hosting foreign military forces called to the region to defend the Gulf states against a possible Iraqi attack.

"That leaves the flow of non-military government expenditure as it was before the crisis," the central bank governor added. "This expenditure may also go up. All this will help boost private sector activity."

He did not indicate how the extra spending would affect the UAE budget, which hovered around 3.6 billion dollars in each of the past four years.

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#90262d4330 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (SEPT. 19) - Iran's Minister of Commerce, visiting here Wednesday, said his country was willing to meet Zimbabwe's entire oil import needs, formerly supplied from Kuwait.

After signing an order for 30,000 tonnes of maize from Zimbabwe's 1.2 million tonne stockpile, Abdolhossein Vahhaji said he hoped a preliminary Memorandum of Understanding would lead to a formal agreement to expand trade between the two countries.

Zimbabwe last year imported approximately 25 million U.S. dollars-worth of petroleum products from the Gulf, most of it coming in via the heavily defended 270 km (170 miles) pipeline from the Mozambican port of Beira to the border town of Mutare. Iran has been giving Zimbabwe technical assistance in modernising the refinery at Feruka, outside Mutare.

Mr. Vahhaji and his delegation are holding discussions with the state-owned National Oil Company of Zimbabwe, the Grain Marketing Board, and the Zimbabwe National Chambers of Commerce.

The new Iranian diplomatic offensive in Zimbabwe follows a disastrous state visit here by former president Ayatollah Ali Khamenei in 1985 when relations were soured by the guests' boycott of President Robert Mugabe's banquet in their honour, allegedly because of the presence of women in cocktail dresses and the serving of alcohol.

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#90262d4370 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 19) - Australia's Foreign Minister Gareth Evans told a conference on Vietnamese reconstruction Wednesday that Hanoi's economic reform program known as "doi moi" must include political liberalization if it is to succeed.

Mr. Evans, who played the key role in initiating the Cambodian peace plan, also warned that many of the gains Vietnam has achieved through diplomacy would disappear if it engaged in Chinese-style political repression.

The Australian government had long believed Vietnam's isolation was undesirable and that resolving problems preventing normalisation was in the interest of regional stability, he said.

"It is now not only possible, but likely, that Vietnam is on the verge of a new era in its dealings with the region and with Australia," he added.

Mr. Evans is credited with playing the major role in formulating the United Nations-sanctioned peace plan for Cambodia, which was under Vietnamese military occupation for more than 10 years. Vietnam's withdrawal last year laid the groundwork for normalisation with the West.

Among invited guest speakers at the "doi moi" conference is a group of Vietnamese economists and academics including some prominent liberals.

One is Hoang Ngoc Nguyen, a former Oxford student who spent time in a re-education camp after the fall of Saigon in 1975 and the author of a recent manual of advice for foreigners doing business in Vietnam.

But conference organisers admitted to being disappointed that one academic known for his liberal views, Pham Nhu Cuong, was refused permission to attend despite last-minute representations by Australian Embassy officials.

Representatives from several Australian companies eager to expand business links in the "new" Vietnam are also attending the conference, which was

organized and funded by the Australian National University's Research School of Pacific Studies in Canberra.

Mineral and mining companies such as BHP and CRA are currently evaluating the prospects for relatively large-scale developments in Vietnam's coal and oil deposits.

The Australian telecommunications company OTC Ltd. recently won a 250 million dollar (207 million U.S.) contract to upgrade Vietnam's internal and overseas communications links.

Mr. Evans referred in his address to Vietnam's potential for economic development and to its "significant natural resources: coal, seafood, coffee, oil."

There was no doubt, he said, that Vietnam also had the potential to rapidly develop as a major tourist destination -- with its rich traditional culture, striking landscape and a modern history which had touched the lives of people in many countries.

Hanoi embarked on a gradual process of economic reform following recognition in 1979 that fundamental changes to the socialist economic system were inevitable, he said.

Since the 6th Party Congress in 1986, it had gone much further through its adoption of the doi moi program, Mr. Evans said, adding that it had also brought a measure of political reform.

But so far, Vietnam had "resisted or effectively diverted" the kind of pressure for political reform that previously existed in China.

"However, the process of doi moi can only succeed if economic reform is accompanied by some liberalisation of political activity," he said.

"Inevitably, increased contact and interaction with non-socialist nations through developing trade and investment relationships cannot help but change the political perceptions and expectations of many Vietnamese."

Even in Vietnam, he said, there must be doubt about whether devolution of economic decision-making could work effectively without similar political and social changes.

He warned that it would be "a matter for extreme regret" if at any time it was seeking to improve its regional links Vietnam were to engage in the sort of political repression that occurred in China.

"This is not an immediate prospect, but were it to take place, many of the gains made by Vietnamese diplomacy in recent years would disappear."

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#90262d4470 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 19) - The French government on Wednesday approved a bill regulating telecommunications, providing for the retention of the state's monopoly over the telephone infrastructure but allowing competition on services.

The bill, presented by Telecommunications Minister Paul Quiles, sets out a new legal framework regulating telecommunications along the lines of recommendations from Brussels, and modernises a sector which until now had been partly governed by a law dating from 1837.

The monopoly of the state-run company France Telecom is retained concerning telephone networks available to the public and the approval of appliances such as telephones, fax machines and electronic screens.

But the bill provides for France Telecom to be in competition with private companies on telephone-related services.

The Transpac (packet switching) data transmission system is no longer to be reserved for the state sector.

The bill gives the state the responsibility of attributing "CB" private radio frequencies, which had previously been the domain of the independent regulatory body, the Conseil Superieur Audiovisuel (CSA).

But the CSA retains responsibility over all questions connected with radio and television.

Quiles has said that he aims to push France into the position of world telecommunications leader with his reform package.

France is at the forefront of telecommunications innovations through its five million Minitel electronic screens, used to access information and services via the telephone line, and the "smart card" telephone card.

The telecommunications bill is to go before parliament next month.

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#90262d4490 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WARSAW (SEPT. 19) - The number of people unemployed in Poland rose by 100,000 in the month to mid September to total 887,000, the governmental newspaper Rzeczpospolita reported on Wednesday.

The biggest pockets of unemployment were recorded in Cracow in the south of

the country where 49,000 people were unemployed and in Lodz in the centre of the country where 45,000 people were without work.

Experts have warned the the number of people without work could total nearly 1.3 million by the end of the year.

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#90262d4500 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 19) - Japan plans to include Syria and Morocco in its two billion dollar program to help countries hurt by the Gulf crisis, Japanese government sources said Wednesday.

In its announcement Friday, Japan mentioned only Egypt, Turkey and Jordan as countries directly affected by the crisis and needing economic assistance.

A government source said Syria and Morocco will not, however, benefit from 600 million dollars in emergency aid within the two billion dollar package.

The remaining 1.4 billion dollars will be granted in the form of medium-term loans as part of cooperation with other countries under the large international financial organizations.

Funds for Syria and Morocco will come from the 1.4 billion dollars, said the government source, adding that eastern European countries, non-oil-producing Asian countries and low-income nations would be excluded from the aid program announced Friday.

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#90262d4510 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (SEPT. 19) - Two Ethiopian rebel groups have merged to fight for the independence of the war-torn north-eastern province of Eritrea, rebel radio announced Wednesday.

The Voice of the Broad Masses of Eritrea, monitored by the British Broadcasting Corporation, said the Eritrean Democratic Movement, a small rebel group, had decided to join forces with the stronger Eritrean People's Liberation Front (EPLF). The EPLF controls much of northern Eritrea including the strategic Red Sea port of Massawa.

"We have decided to join the EPLF and struggle alongside it," the radio quoted EDM leaders as saying. The merger was decided during talks between an EDM delegation led by Hiruy Tedla Bayru and the EPLF leadership in Massawa last week. EPLF leaders welcomed the move.

Eritrean rebels have been fighting Ethiopian rule for three decades.

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#90262d4580 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Islamabad (SEPT. 19) - Soviet planes have continued bombarding the civilian population in Qala-i-Nau, the provincial capital of Badghis province bordering the Soviet Union, even after the ostensible Ussr pullout last year, the Media Information Department of the Interim Government of Afghanistan (Midia) reported here Wednesday quoting sources from the area.

Mir Sayed Sahibzada, in charge of the cultural office of the south-west zone of Afghanistan, told Midia that Soviet planes usually bombed the outskirts of the capital. But their particular targets were southern parts of the city, areas used by the Afghan resistance fighters for their operations into the town, Sahibzada said.

Another source claimed that the Soviet planes took off from airfields in the Central Asian republics of Tajikistan and Uzbekistan since land routes were being controlled by the Mujahideen.

The siege of city by the Afghan Mujahideen had also resulted in shortages of food and medicines, Moalem Zabiullah, who also hails from Badghis, said.

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#90262d4630 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SINGAPORE (SEPT. 19) - Asia's booming economies are facing a potential shortfall in refining capacity that could slow down their ambitious plans for growth, a leading Japanese oil executive said here Wednesday.

Participants at the three-day Asia-Pacific Petroleum Conference that wound up here Wednesday agreed that Asia's growing hunger for oil made it vulnerable to tight supplies of refined products highlighted during the Gulf crisis.

Japanese oil executive Kiyoshi Takahashi told the gathering Wednesday that despite plans to expand Asian refining facilities, "substantial gaps between supply and demand will still be observed" in the coming years.

Mr. Takahashi, president of Showa Shell Sekiyu Kaihatsu K.K., said that long-term growth did not look in jeopardy in the region, but added, "of course there might be some delay or slowdown of economic growth caused by the current crisis."

He said that total oil demand in the region was likely to hit 15.8 million barrels a day by 1995, 3.6 million barrels up on the 1988 figure. Most of it would be for middle distillates - kerosene, gasoil, jet fuel - and motor gasoline.

But additional refining capacity planned over the period is estimated at only

1.8 million barrels a day, he said.

Major capacity expansions are planned in Southeast Asia, China and parts of the Far East, but environmental concerns have hampered plans in Japan, Australia, New Zealand, the western U.S. coast and Canada.

"Topper" capacity for the basic process of oil distillation was in generally sufficient supply except in South Asia, Australia, New Zealand and to some extent in Japan, Mr. Takahashi said.

But he said shortages would be felt throughout Asia in "secondary unit" capacity for upgrading heavy oil to make the lighter products that are in so much demand.

The result, he said, would be efforts to boost the trade in oil products among Asian countries and expand imports from outside the region to cover the general imbalance.

Dennis O'Brien, chief economist for Caltex Petroleum Corp., forecast that demand for oil by countries east of Suez would grow twice as fast as in the rest of the world and "create a serious refining bottleneck in the region."

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#90262d4650 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (SEPT. 19) - Annual revenues of the Suez Canal may drop by 400 million dollars if war erupts in the Middle East, Canal company president Adel Ezzat said in a report published here Wednesday.

Mr. Ezzat told the weekly magazine Akher Sa'a that if a United Nations-backed embargo against Iraq and Kuwait were maintained, canal earnings could take an annual slide of 200 million dollars.

Canal income totalled 1.4 billion dollars in fiscal year 1989-90.

Mr. Ezzat said the interruption of oil production and exports from Iraq and Kuwait after August 2, as well as the anti-Iraqi sanctions approved four days later, had resulted in the loss of seven million tons of oil that transited annually through the canal for markets in Europe.

Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait August 2 and annexed its southern neighbor on August 8, triggering a massive multi-nation military buildup in the Gulf.

Mr. Ezzat added that if Saudi Arabia's oil output were interrupted, the results could be catastrophic, since Egypt benefits from the passage of some 16 million tons a year of Saudi oil through the canal.

He gave no details on the financial loss from such an interruption but said

increased insurance premiums on vessels heading for the Gulf had caused many shipowners to abandon this route.

The canal's chief said foreign warships passing through the waterway were charged a rate 25 percent higher than that for tankers.

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#90262d4660 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (SEPT. 19) - Zimbabwean game rangers, fighting for the survival of the endangered black rhinoceros, have shot dead four rhino poachers and captured two other poachers, official sources said Wednesday.

Chief warden Rodwell Ngwarai said the shoot-out took place last week in the Chizarira national park in the north of the country. The rangers found 18 rhino horns, the booty from nine dead rhino.

In Zimbabwe, poaching has reduced the number of black rhinos to about 1,000 at present from 100,000 animals 15 years ago. But the country still has Africa's largest reservoir of black rhinos.

The latest killings brought to 28 the number of poachers shot dead this year. An equal number of poachers were arrested.

Wildlife authorities here believe that their aggressive tactics -which include an officially authorised shoot-to-kill policy against the heavily-armed gangs - have turned the tide against the illegal slaughter.

Official figures show that poachers killed only 27 black rhinos this year compared to 97 last year.

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#90262d4740 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (SEPT. 19) - Britain supported unconditionally Hungary's bid for full membership in the European Economic Community (EEC), Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said here Wednesday.

The British premier told Hungarian government officials that associated EEC membership should be the first step before full-member status, according to radio reports here.

Hungary is pressing for associated membership by the end of next year and wants negotiations for full membership to start in early 1993.

Prime Minister Jozsef Antall told Mrs. Thatcher that switching from a centrally-controlled economy to a free-market system and attracting foreign investors were his government's main targets.

"We will need Britain's experience in the transitional period", the radio report quoted him as saying.

Mrs. Thatcher, who arrived here Tuesday from Czechoslovakia, visited the fledgling Budapest Stock Exchange and laid flowers at the national monument and the Raul Wallenberg statue Wednesday.

Raul Wallenberg, a Swedish diplomat, who helped many Jews escape Nazi persecution in Hungary at the end of World War II, mysteriously disappeared when the Soviet army chased the Nazis out of the country in 1945.

Mrs. Thatcher was to meet with President Arpad Goncz and leaders of the opposition Alliance of Free Democrats later Wednesday.

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#90262d4790 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT. 19) - One hundred and nine Nigerian children are known to have died nationwide in the last three months after taking doses of poisonous paracetamol syrup said to have been prepared by two government-owned pharmacies, it was announced here Wednesday.

Sixteen other children, who were also given doses of the poisonous analgesic, were under intensive care in various hospitals.

The health minister, Professor Olikoye Ransome-Kuti, told newsmen that the drugs were prepared by the two pharmacies with a dangerous raw material, ethylene glycol, allegedly manufactured by a Dutch company - Drugpharm Trading B.V. Industriele and Handelmaatschappy.

The minister said the poisonous compound was marketed under the trade mark of a harmless element called propylene glycol.

He said the dead children were all under six years of age, adding that while investigations were still being conducted into the unfortunate incident with a view to penalising the culprits, the federal government had placed a temporary ban on the sale of all brands of paracetamol syrups in the country and had warned parents to desist from giving the dose to their children.

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#90262d4810 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 19) - The price of North Sea Brent oil eased to 32.25 dollars per barrel on profit taking from 32.95 dollars at the close on Tuesday when prices were at their highest for eight years.

Kleinwort Benson analyst Mehdi Varzi said that the fall was due mainly to

profit taking in a volatile market.

Noting that U.S. oil industry figures on Tuesday that U.S. oil stocks had risen by five million barrels had contributed to the weakness, he said that the report "may put a lid on product prices in the short term".

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#90262d4860 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Singapore (SEPT. 19) - Oil industry experts at the end of a three-day Asia-Pacific petroleum conference here Wednesday criticised the Soviet Union for failing to attend the meeting for the second consecutive year.

Moscow's absence was unhealthy for the conference and a loss to participating nations, they told the German Press Agency (dpa).

Moscow has said that its representative, Soviet Oil Refining Industry Minister N.V. Lemaev, had to cancel his trip because of debates at home on plans to reform the Soviet economy.

A leading Japanese oil economist said he was ''shocked'' to note that the Soviet Union had once again dropped out of the conference.

''An Asia-Pacific oil conference without the Soviet Union loses its impact because the Soviet Union is the world's biggest producer of oil and natural gas,'' said the economist who spoke on condition of anonymity. More dpa mu 191700 sep 90

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COLOMBO (SEPT. 19) - The U.S. military will operate three special flights to evacuate 420 refugees including Sri Lankans from the Gulf, the U.S. embassy in Colombo announced Wednesday.

The first of the flights, carrying 140 Sri Lankans, is expected to arrive in the country this week, while a similar number of Bangladeshis and Filipinos will be evacuated on September 24 and 27, a statement from the embassy, quoting Defence Department spokesman Pete Williams said.

The three military planes are also due to carry relief assistance from the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (Unicef) in Denmark to the displaced persons, it said.

The Canadian government has also offered to charter civilian aircraft to airlift displaced persons to their home countries including Sri Lanka, a statement from the Canadian High Commission in Colombo said.

In a related development, a Pakistani shipping company has hired five ships to the Sri Lankan government to evacuate its workers affected by the Gulf crisis.

Labour Minister Gamlath Mohottige Premachandra said the lives of over 60,000 Sri Lankans trapped in the Gulf were in danger if they were not evacuated before the winter commences.

The national carrer, Air Lanka, announced it was planning to evacuate 2,000 persons daily from the Gulf shortly. Over 1,000 persons were being repatriated daily from the Middle East daily.

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#90262d5110 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) - Legislation that would limit the growth of U.S. textile imports was Wednesday on the desk of President George Bush, who had threatened to veto the bill as contrary to U.S. interests.

The bill would limit the yearly growth of textile imports to one percent and freeze shoe imports at 1989 levels, in a bid to lower the U.S. trade deficit in the textile sector from last year's 26.5 billion dollars.

The bill was passed 271-149 by the House of Representatives late Tuesday. The yes votes fell five short of the two-thirds majority needed to override a presidential veto.

In July, the Senate gave it more than a two-third majority (68-32).

Mr. Bush -- like his predecessor, Ronald Reagan, a staunch defender of free-market principles -- threatened last Monday to veto the bill.

"It represents the worst form of economic policy for America, one based upon the mistaken belief that less trade throughout the world will somehow save American jobs and enhance our prosperity," he said in a letter to leaders of Congress.

Supporters of the measure contend more than half a million jobs in the textile industry have been lost to imports over the past 17 years.

Critics inside and outside the government argue that the bill would torpedo ongoing efforts in the 100-member General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) to lower trade barriers to U.S. products around the world.

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#90262d5130 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 19) - Soldiers and armoured vehicles Wednesday took up positions around statues of Lenin and communist officials in Vilnius, the

capital of Lithuania, in defiance of a vote by the city council to have them removed, eyewitnesses reported.

Vilnius' authorities had ordered the dismantling of the statues of Lenin, Kreve Mickevicius, the Baltic republic's first communist head of government, and of a Soviet general as well as several commemorative plaques.

Eyewitnesses contacted by Agence France-Presse said soldiers and war veterans moved into position around the monuments when city authorities were about to remove a plaque from the party central committee building commemorating Lithuania's first communist party secretary Antanas Snieckus.

Mr. Snieckus headed the republic's communist party from 1940 when Moscow annexed Lithuania until 1974.

Three armoured cars were also guarding each monument, eyewitnesses added.

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#90262d5230 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 19) - Air France reported a loss of about 170 million French francs (about 32.7 million dollars) in the first half compared with a net profit of 685 million francs for the whole of 1989, it emerged on Wednesday after a board meeting.

Air France said in a statement that it would tighten its plan for coping with current circumstances implying current cost cutting of 175 million francs mainly through suspension of recruitment, except for technical air crew

Investment on the ground which had not already been committed would be delayed in response to the new economic climate.

For the whole of 1990 "results will be affected by the currently very unfavourable situation for air transport", the company said.

But "rigorous" measures being taken should enable the company to limit the effects.

Consolidated results, including for the first time the businesses of Air Inter and UTA, were expected to be available in several weeks.

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#90262d5240 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (SEPT 19) - West African troops deployed in war-torn Liberia will mount an "all-out offensive against the rebel factions" and take "enforcement action" to win a ceasefire, their Ghanaian leader said here Wednesday.

Lieutenant-General Arnold Quainoo made the announcement after an hour-long meeting with Nigerian Vice-President Augustus Aikhomu and Defence Minister Sani Abacha.

Earlier Wednesday, in Ghana, Gen. Quainoo met head of state Jerry Rawlings, and announced a "limited" offensive by his force to protect its positions against rebel attacks.

Gen. Quainoo, who had been touring countries which have contributed to the five-nation peacekeeping force set up by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), added that he had a "new mandate".

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#90262d5360 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (SEPT 19) - PT INCO Indonesia has reduced its nickel matte production forecast for calendar 1990 to 62 million pounds, down eight million pounds from the original target, the company announced here Wednesday.

The forecast was lowered because of an explosion last month at one of its three furnaces in the Soroako plant in south Sulawesi, it said in a statement.

PT INCO is 58.2 percent owned by Toronto-based International Nickel Limited, the world's largest nickel producer.

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#90262d5370 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LILLE, France (SEPT 19) - French and British channel tunnel-diggers are only 2.5 kilometers (1.6 miles) apart and will meet in six to eight weeks, the French-British consortium digging the first tunnel under the Channel said Wednesday.

"The first direct contact between British and French teams should take place in early December," and the complete linkage should be finished by the end of January 1991, a communique from the Eurotunnel consortium said.

"The junction of the two rail tunnels could take place in the summer of 1991, which would leave two years to equip the system and start operating it," the communique said.

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#90262d5520 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (SEPT 19) - An amnesty for East German spies planned for unification day on October 3 failed to gain the approval of the West German government Wednesday.

During a meeting of Bonn's ruling coalition - led by Chancellor Helmut Kohl - it was agreed to debate the matter in the all-German parliament following unification. The treaty unifying the Germanys is expected to be signed Thursday.

Passage of the amnesty bill was blocked when the Bundestag's (lower house) Judicial Committee refused to put it on Wednesday's agenda. The Bundesrat (upper house) had already rejected it, saying it was incomplete.

Without a law in time for unification, it will be up to the German federal prosecutor to decide whether to arrest East German agents living on East German territory. According to the West German Justice Ministry, about 8,000 people are affected.

Disapproval of the amnesty was expressed in particular by members of the Christian Social Union, who argued it would be ''politically inopportune'' and ''unexplainable to the public''. Opposition Social Democrats and some Free Democrats had demanded the amnesty be extended to members of West Germany's peace movement, convicted in the past of ''coercion'' for blocking roads leading to military bases.

During a legal convention in Munich, West German Justice Minister Hans Engelhard reiterated his support for the amnesty, which he said was not intended to include East German agents guilty of serious crimes or who ''spied on, coerced and threatened'' their countrymen.

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#90262d5600 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 19) - Britain needs an interest rate cut this year, the Confederation of British Industry (CBI) concluded at its monthly meeting here Wednesday.

In calling for the rate cut, the Confederation's president Sir Brian Corby said that there had been "a marked weakening" in the economy since the summer. "The economy is moving into recession," he warned.

Sir Brian said his members "understood the need for caution" in reducing interest rates, but that if the government takes a number of steps "We hope it will be possible to cut interest rates later this year, reducing the threat of recession while still bearing down on inflation."

The steps recommended included tighter controls on public expenditure, a smaller than planned increase in the Uniform Business Rate (local government tax on business) and entry for the pound into the European Economic Community's Exchange Rate Mechanism.

British bank base rates have stood at 15 percent since October last year, and

Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major has so far resisted cutting them for fear of fuelling inflation, running at 10.6 percent annually in August.

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#90262d5610 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 19) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,589.00 (1,582.50) 1,517.50 (1,492.50)
Lead 438.00 (435.00) 448.00 (445.50)
Zinc Sh 1,517.50 (1,532.50) 1,436.00 (1,449.50)
Tin (in dollars) 5,820.00 (5,830.00) 5,920.50 (5,950.00)
Aluminium (in dollars) 2,236.50 (2,186.00) 2,123.00 (2,078.50) Nickel (in dollars) Super Highgrade

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#90262d5650 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT 19) - Niue's eighty-two-year-old Premier Sir Robert Rex, the Pacific's longest serving head of government, fired two of his four cabinet members Wednesday after they tried to force him to resign, Niue Broadcasting Corporation (NBC) reported.

In an odd twist he has replaced one of the two with an earlier rival, opposition leader Young Vivian, who in April was within one vote of becoming premier.

Finance Minister Sonny Lakatani and Works Minister Frank Lui last week sent Sir Robert a letter saying that if he did not quit they would mount a no-confidence motion in the Legislative Assembly.

In a startling move however Sir Robert announced midday Wednesday that he had fired Mr. Lakatani and Mr. Lui from cabinet. He said Mr. Vivian, and a newly elected opposition MP Fisa Pihigia, will join the four person cabinet with portfolios to be allocated later.

In a telephone interview with Agence France Presse from the capital Alofi Wednesday night Mr. Vivian said Sir Robert had the numbers in the 20 seat Assembly to survive a no-confidence motion.

He said Sir Robert still had a lot of clout with both his wife and son as MPs and widespread support in Niue.

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#90262d5840 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (SEPT 19) - A record number of refugees arriving in West Germany from around the world has revived the debate over the country's liberal asylum law.

The federal government in Bonn expects 180,000 foreigners to seek political asylum this year, a total of 60,000 more than 1989.

Reception centres are overfilled and in many cities hostility against foreigners is growing. Calls for legislation to restrict the refugee levels are becoming louder.

''The nation is helplessly confronted by the question: who may stay ...'' comments the glossy news magazine Stern.

The asylum law, anchored in the federal constitution, is considered unparalleled anywhere in the world.

A short sentence, ''the politically persecuted enjoy the right to asylum'', was enshrined in the federal Basic Law, or constitution in 1949. The West Germans thereby showed their appreciation for the refuge which many states gave to people fleeing from Hitler's Germany.

''The right to asylum is the statute of liberty of our constitution'', says Liberal member of parliament, Burkhard Hirsch, who rejects any limitation of it.

During the past four decades prosperous West Germany has become a magnet for refugees from all over the world. But while the number of those seeking asylum has mounted, progressively fewer have been recognised by courts as politically perscuted.

Since 1953 a million foreigners have applied for asylum, only 150,000 successfully. Now, only three out of every 100 refugees can expect to be gain such recognition.

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#90262d6070 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 19) - An Iraqi Airways jetliner carrying 416 Western women and children left here Wednesday at 8:20 p.m. (1620 GMT) for London, aviation sources said.

The Boeing 747, chartered by the U.S. embassy in Baghdad, had earlier in the afternoon flown in some 400 women and children -- mostly U.S. and British nationals -- from Kuwait, they said.

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#90262d6130 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 19) - British Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major on Wednesday launched a four-point plan aimed at writing off as much as 18 billion dollars off the 27 billion debt among 19 of the world's poorest countries.

In a transcript issued here of his speech to the British Commonwealth Finance Ministers' Conference in Trinidad, Mr. Major proposed that the plan take effect under the auspices of the Paris Club, a group of Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development governments which oversee official debt repayments of poor countries.

Under the plan, the whole stock of eligible Paris Club debt would be rescheduled in one go rather than in one-year tranches, and debt relief given would be doubled to two-thirds.

Further, interest would be capitalised (added to the capital sum owed), with no payments required during the first five years, and repayment periods in such packages would be 25 years.

The 19 countries involved are Benin, the Central African Republic, Chad, Equatorial New Guinea, Guinea, Bissau, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Niger, Senegal, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zaire and Zambia in sub-Saharan Africa, and two others -- Bolivia and Guyana.

Mr. Major said the proposals will be put to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank meetings this coming weekend, and will require the agreement of all the creditor governments in the Paris Club.

The new terms would replace the Toronto Terms agreement on recovery of Less Developed Country debt, which was accepted at the IMF summit in Toronto in 1987, Mr. Major said.

"I am now convinced that we need to do more to bridge the long term financing gap faced by some of the very poorest debtors" Mr. Major said.

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#90262d6550 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHAFJI (SEPT. 19) - More than 12,000 refugees have escaped from Kuwait to Saudi Arabia in the past four days, Saudi authorities said Wednesday in Khafji, a crossing point on the Saudi-Kuwaiti border that was unexpectedly opened last Saturday.

Most of the refugees were women, children, elderly and sick people, the Qatar news agency reported.

It quoted refugees as accusing the Iraqi occupation forces of ''open terrorism'' by acting more and more brutally against civilians. They said

soldiers were killing civilians who had pictures of the ousted Emir of Kuwait in their homes.

At the same time, Kuwaiti resistance groups were also acting more harshly against the occupying forces, reports said.

One refugee said civilians had invited six Iraqi officers to their home and shot them to death. In retaliation, Iraqi soldiers broke into the house and killed several guerrillas before the eyes of their families.

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#90262d6580 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) - The United States will sell 520 Sidewinder air-to-air missiles to Britain and Israel for a total of 55 million dollars, a Pentagon spokesman said Wednesday.

Lieutenant Colonel Rick Oborn said Britain would install 220 of the close-range missiles on their F-4 Tornado combat planes currently deployed in the Gulf area, while Israel would purchase 300 missiles.

He did not say where the Israelis intended to deploy the missiles.

The spokesman would not comment on published reports that the United States had agreed to sell Israel a number of F-15 fighter jets and surface-to-air Patriot missile batteries.

The reports indicated the sale to Israel was intended to offset a 20-billion-dollar weapons deal with Saudi Arabia that the White House wants Congress to approve.

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#90262d6650 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT 19) - A number of cases of bubonic plague have been recorded in the central Asian republic of Kazakhstan with 237 people being put in quarantine, Tass news agency said on Wednesday.

The agency said that the killer disease had hit the town of Aralsk. It gave no exact figures for the number of confirmed plague victims, but said that 237 people were in quarantine until September 23.

Doctors were sent to the area from Alma-Ata and Tashkent to help treat the victims and the entire town of 30,000 people was being disinfected, Tass said.

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#90262d6970 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT 19) - Soviet experts are working in Iraq in deteriorating conditions and in some cases restricted by members of the Iraqi military, Soviet news agency Tass reported Wednesday, quoting KGB chief Vladimir Kriuchkov.

Conditions had worsened recently, Mr. Kriuchkov said, adding, "We will hold Baghdad responsible for their lives and state of health".

Soviet foreign minister Eduard Shevardnadze spoke last week for the first time about difficulties facing some Soviet citizens in Iraq seeking to leaving the country.

He said they were having trouble obtaining exit visas but he did not see this as an indication that they were being held "hostage" as Westerners have been.

More than 5,000 Soviet nationals are still in Iraq, 200 of them women workers. Some 2,500 wives and children have been evacuated so far.

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#90262d7050 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (SEPT 19) - The first elements of a mechanized armored division have been deployed in Saudi Arabia, leaving for the western Saudi port of Yanbu to reinforce troops already there, the Egyptian Defense Ministry announced Wednesday.

Reliable sources said the troops were part of a 15,000-strong division, all of whom will be deployed in Saudi Arabia.

Egypt, along with Syria and Morocco, has dispatched thousands of troops to Saudi Arabia to defend it against possible Iraqi attack.

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#90262d7110 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (SEPT 19) - Saudi Arabia announced Wednesday it was restricting the entry and stay of certain foreigners on its territory and cancelling facilities to some foreign communities, the official Saudi Press Agency (SPA) reported.

SPA, citing an interior ministry communique, said the new measures were undertaken to ensure equal treatement for all foreign travellers and residents in Saudi Arabia.

But the order is aimed primarily at Yemenis, an informed source here said, adding that Saudi Arabia would first suspend of entry visas at border points where Yemenis obtained them in the past.

Analysts believe the new rules may be in response to Yemen's strong support for Iraq after the latter invaded Kuwait on August 2.

Yemenis must henceforth go to Saudi consulates in their country to obtain entry visas, the communique said.

The measure also imposes a system of sponsorship requiring that Saudi nationals vouch for foreigners wishing to reside in Saudi Arabia. The foreigners are being given a month, starting Wednesday, to follow the procedure.

Those already in the country will fall the law and have their residence permits revoked if they do not abide by the new rules, the ministry warned.

It further warned those who engage in business and investment activities without the benefit of a local sponsor.

To date, only Yemenis had been permitted to engage in commercial activities in Saudi Arabia without the need for Saudi sponsors.

About a million Yemenis live in Saudi Arabia.

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#90262d7300 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT 19) - Chinese purchases of durable goods since May increased 38.3 percent over the same period a year earlier, some of it spurred by the Asian Games here, the China Daily reported Wednesday.

Urban sales of color television sets and videotape recorders both increased 120 percent in the period, the official daily said.

Most of the sales were likely spurred by the 11th Asian Games in Beijing, with state television planning 280 hours of live coverage of the Games, which open here Saturday and close October 7.

The capital has made a special effort to satisfy consumer demand during the Games, increasing imports from the provinces by 40 percent in August to 426 million dollars.

The city's four major supermarkets had a record August and enjoyed a nearly 12 percent increase in sales in the first 10 days of September.

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#90262d7810 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 19) - U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney is to leave Washington Thursday for Spain and Portugal, where he is scheduled to meet with

high-level defense officials, the Defense Department announced Wednesday.

The Pentagon gave no details on the topics Mr. Cheny was to discuss with officials of those two nations, both of which are members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

However, analysts said the meetings would undoubtedly focus on the Gulf crisis specifically the participation of Spain and Portugal in a multinational force deployed to the Middle East to help deter the military forces of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Mr. Hussein's troops invaded Kuwait August 2 and subsequently took up positions along the Kuwaiti-Saudi border.

Mr. Cheney is to return to Washington Sunday.

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#90262d7910 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT 20) - Typhoons this season have killed 852 people and left 1,874 injured in the southeastern coastal provinces of Zhejiang and Fujian, the China News Service (CNS) reported Wednesday.

Damage from the storms had reached 1.7 billion dollars, the semi-official agency said.

In Fujian, hit by seven typhoons since June, 588 people died and material losses were 872 million dollars, CNS said. It did not give the number of injured in the province.

The neighboring province of Zhejiang suffered four typhoons that left 264 dead 1,874 injured and 829 million dollars of property destroyed, including some 160,000 homes.

The United Nations Disaster Relief Organization said last week that China had asked for international aid to help it recover from the typhoons.

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#90262d8280 09/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT 20) - The New Zealand government has reversed its previous hands-off role and is now part of a 2.2-billion-dollar (1.3 billion U.S.) effort to pay off creditors of collapsed DFC New Zealand merchant bank, press reports said here Thursday.

Finance minister David Caygill refused to confirm the report in the Dominion newspaper and claimed it was sourced to Leader of the Opposition Jim Bolger, who two weeks ago had been briefed privately by officials on the government's

negotiating position.

Mr. Caygill said Mr. Bolger had breached the trust given him.

Statutory manager (receiver) Sandy Maier was currently overseas negotiating with DFC's creditors, he said, adding that it was thus "entirely inappropriate" to discuss the issue publicly.

The bank's mainly Japanese bank creditors believed, when it collapsed in October, that it had a government guarantee.

Although the government denies it guaranteed DFC and has still avoided guaranteeing the debts, the newspaper said its new "involvement is a way of saving face with some of ... the creditors."

Shortly after the DFC collapsed, a Japanese banking consortium scuttled a planned New Zealand government 600-million-dollar (370 million U.S.) debt issue in Tokyo.

The Dominion said the government had agreed to a complicated financial arrangement that would see the DFC's main creditors fully repaid after seven years. Smaller creditors had already been offered paybacks of 75 to 100 per cent.

Details of the settlement for main creditors were still being completed, but the newspaper said it was understood they would be offered a mixture of bonds under which DFC would promise to pay the lenders a fixed amount in future with some interest in the meantime.

Two types of bonds would be offered: the first would mature in five years with the amount of interest depending on how much cash DFC could raise through selling assets. The interest would be less than market rates.

The second of the bonds would offer a fixed interest rate - again less than market rates - over the next seven years.

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#90262e0010 09/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

San Sebastian, Spain (SEPT. 19) EFE - Supporters of the Basque terrorist group ETA set fire to buses and blocked roads in northern Spain over the past 24 hours to protest the death of an ETA gunman shot by police.

In the Basque city of San Sebastian, a bus was set on fire shortly after dawn Wednesday, tying up traffic for hours on a major highway. Another bus had been destroyed by protesters the night before in the city center.

Other disturbances were reported in the Basque port city of Bilbao, where a

bus was also burned, and in Pamplona, where demonstrators setting rubbish containers ablaze battled with anti-riot police late Tuesday.

The rioting broke out Tuesday hours after a suspected ETA member was shot dead in Pamplona when he tried to escape police who approached his car to ask for identification.

Some reports said the dead ETA member pulled a gun on the police officers.

One of the gunman's accomplices was arrested and a third ETA suspect managed to escape. Police said the trio was setting up an ambush to murder an alleged neighborhood drug pusher.

ETA has killed more than 600 people in its 22-year-old campaign for the right to independence of northern Spain's Basque region.

Basque separatists have demanded that the neighboring province of Navarre, of which Pamplona is the capital, become part of an independent Basque nation.

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#90262e0011 09/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Moscow (SEPT. 19) EFE - Gun battles broke out Wednesday between rival nationalist groups in the Soviet republic of Georgia's capital Tbilisi, Radio Moscow's Interfax news service reported.

Several people were injured in the clashes which occurred overnight along the city's main avenue, Interfax said.

The shootouts followed attacks by unknown assailants on the headquarters of the National Independence Party and the Democratic National Party.

The disturbances began late Tuesday during a demonstration outside the headquarters of the republic's government by a coalition of radical nationalist groups called the +Round Table+.

The demonstration was in protest to the kidnapping by suspected rival political parties of a nationalist leader, who was later released.

Meanwhile, the headquarters of the KGB secret police in Tbilisi Wednesday remained occupied by hundreds of unarmed nationalists who stormed the building Sunday to demand the resignation of the government and the closure of the regional KGB headquarters.

Nationalist unrest in the republic has increased since 19 people were killed in Tbilisi in April 1989 when troops broke up a nationalist demonstration.

In August this year, the parliament passed an electoral law paving the way for

multi-party elections, following weeks of protests organized to demand open polling and the resignation of the Georgian leadership.

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#90262e0012 09/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (SEPT 19) EFE - The government Wednesday renewed an order barring horses from being moved outside the southern Spanish region of Andalucia, following the fresh outbreak of a highly-contagious disease which has killed dozens of animals.

Spanish officials, concerned that the outbreak of African equine fever could jeopardize equestrian events at the 1992 Barcelona Olympic Games, have stressed that the cases are restricted to Andalucia and do not affect the northeastern region of Catalonia where the games are to be held.

The government order comes less than two weeks after authorities in Andalucia announced that a previous ban could be lifted because there had been no cases of the disease since October 1989.

Almost 50 horses have died in the Andalucian province of Malaga over the past few weeks and regional officials Wednesday confirmed that at least 10 of the deaths were due to the disease.

The fever, transmitted by mosquitoes and believed to originate in Africa, claimed the lives of more than 90 horses in 1988 and almost 1,000 in 1989.

Spanish officials believed they had eradicated the fever after an extensive vaccination programme.

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#90262e0021 09/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (SEPT 19) EFE - One million Argentine industrial workers have lost their jobs over the past year as a result of falling productivity and a crushing recession, according to a business report released Wednesday.

In the report, the president of the Union of Argentine Industry, Gilberto Montagna, said that a year ago the sector employed 2.3 million workers, but that the number has now fallen to 1.3 million.

Montagna, who supports President Carlos Menem's strict austerity measures of price hikes and layoffs at state enterprises aimed at slashing the public deficit and curbing runaway inflation, warned that industry was being threatened.

He said that factories producing export goods were suffering most as a result of a weakening dollar.

Montagna added the situation was made worse by the drop in domestic demand for manufactured goods, the government's tight monetary policies and by the central bank's decision to fix the foreign exchange rate.

He said all these factors have caused confusion among the country's economic sectors.

"This uncertainty has frozen all possibilities of getting loans and impedes the signing of export contracts or the creation of export operations," Montagna said, and added that it ultimately caused the loss of jobs in industry.

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#90262e0028 09/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (SEPT. 19) EFE - Spanish Economy Minister Carlos Solchaga said Wednesday that Spain may agree to begin holding the peseta's exchange rate fluctuations within the European Community's 2.25-per-cent narrow band well before 1994.

The possible early incorporation of the peseta into the narrow band was announced by Solchaga in the Spanish parliament, where legislators questioned the minister on the proposal for European monetary union that he made in a recent EC finance ministers' meeting.

Madrid is currently maintaining the peseta within a six-per-cent band of fluctuation, under an agreement with the EC which calls for Spain to join the narrow band by 1994.

Solchaga said Spain could join the narrow band soon after the liberalization of capital movement, set for January 1, 1993 under EC accords.

Solchaga said his September 7 proposal calls for the 12 EC trading bloc members to narrow the range of exchange rate variation to one per cent over a five-year period beginning during the European monetary union's second phase.

He said the second phase should start on January 1, 1994, a year later than the date proposed by European Commission president Jacques Delors.

The postponement of the beginning of stage two, in which a common currency would be issued, would give the EC members the experience of a year under the Single Market, Solchaga said.

He said the second phase should wait until after all EC members had eliminated exchange controls, joined the European Monetary System's exchange rate mechanism, and guaranteed the central banks' autonomy.

Solchaga's proposal calls for stage two to include establishment of an embryonic European Central Bank, which would issue a new currency and help coordinate EC members' economic policies.

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#90262e0029 09/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT 19) EFE - Soviet tanks rolled into several squares in the Lithuanian capital of Vilnius Wednesday amid rumors that authorities were planning to tear down statues of Lenin and a Red Army general.

A leader of the Lithuanian parliament's nationalist Sajudis movement, Algimantas Chekoulis, said the tanks carrying armed soldiers wearing bullet-proof vests, also took up positions in front of the Vilnius city hall.

Chekoulis said Lithuanian government officials had assured him they did not intend to take down the monuments and were talking with the family of Red Army General Charniakhovski about tranferring his tomb and monument to the city's military cemetery.

Lithuania declared independence from the Soviet Union March 11 but, under pressure from economic sanctions from Moscow, froze the declaration three and a half months later.

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#90262e0037 09/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (SEPT 19) EFE - Last month 7.1 percent fewer foreigners visited Spain than in August 1989, as the number of tourists fell by 703,189, the government tourism agency said Wednesday.

It was latest of several months of slumping tourism, owing to Spain's inflation and strong currency, as well as to the growing popularity of competing holiday destinations.

In the first eight months of 1990, the number of tourists has dropped by 3.8 percent compared to the same period last year.

Income from tourism, the biggest sector in the Spanish economy, amounted to some 979.2 billion pesetas (dlrs 9.285 billion) in the first seven months of 1990.

This represents a 7.6-per-cent decline in peseta income to the sector compared to the year-earlier period.

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#90262e0042 09/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

HALIFAX, CANADA (SEPT 19) EFE - Canadian rescue authorities Wednesday gave up the search for a Peruvian airliner with 16 people on board that went missing over the North Atlantic early last week.

No trace was found of the Faucett airline's Boeing 727 which was en route from Malta to Miami when it disappeared on September 11 some 300 km east of the Canadian island of Newfoundland shortly after the pilot announced he was going to make an emergency landing to refuel.

Rescue planes and boats from Canada, the United States and Britain joined merchant ships in the search for the aircraft.

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#90262e0043 09/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND (SEPT 19) EFE - A bomb exploded Wednesday at a football stadium in Northern Ireland hours before the home team were due to play a European tournament match, authorities said.

It was not immediately known whether there were any injuries in the blast at the Brandywell stadium in the city of Londonderry.

Derry City were due to play Vitesse Arnhem of the Netherlands in a UEFA Cup match at the stadium Wednesday night.

Although located in Northern Ireland, Derry City play in the Republic of Ireland's league.

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#90262f2146 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 377.55 off 1.31.

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#90262j0001 09/19/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

(SEPT. 20) JOURNAL GRAPHICS - Summarizing the previous day's television programs transcribed by Journal Graphics, Inc. Full transcripts available by fax or mail.

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Frontline Special September 18, 1990 (Transcript #101)

In the Ashes of the Forest: Part 1 of the four-part Decade of Destruction series follows colonists, developers, poachers, gold prospectors and loggers who pushed into the Brazilian rain forest, beginning the destruction of ''the earth's richest factory of life.''

Nightline (ABC) September 18, 1990 (Transcript #2432)

New U.N. Role for Peace; Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar: The Secretary General of the United Nations discusses his deep concern over the Persian Gulf crisis and his hope for a negotiated political settlement.

Donahue September 18, 1990 (Transcript #3036)

The Human Side: Moms, Beer and Racism in the Middle East: The morale of American troops serving in Saudi Arabia under difficult conditions is increasingly of concern to relatives back home, some of whom are even questioning whether American military personnel should have been sent to the Middle East to begin with. On the home front, persistent anti-Arab prejudice may be fueling war fever.

Crossfire (CNN) September 18, 1990 (Transcript #142)

New York's Big City Blues: Former New York Mayor Ed Koch and Chicago Tribune columnist Bob Greene debate whether the quality of life in New York City is declining and how it might be improved.

Moneyline (CNN) September 18, 1990 (Transcript #186)

Stocks and bonds rebounded from sharp losses on renewed faith that a budget reduction package is within reach. Earlier reports of a budget standoff sparked sell-offs, but the buy signal came from budget negotiators late today, who said talks have not collapsed. Correspondents report on: hotels doing poorly; notebook-sized computers; men's clothing stores suffer, Atlanta wins the Olympics in 1996.

Good Morning America (ABC) September 18, 1990 (Transcript #1112)

Israel's position in the Gulf crisis; oil price update; Florida Lottery winner; Victor Ostrovsky interview; junk bond update; Sean Penn interview; the new U.N.?; growth hormone success story; extending your tomato harvest; Sybil Carter interview; Roseanne Barr/Tom Arnold interview.

Nova (WGBH) September 18, 1990 (Transcript #1708)

The Genius That Was China (Part 3): The Threat From Japan: Japan races ahead with Wester technology and cultural values while China remains isolated in

thought and trade.

Adam Smith's Money World September 18, 1990 (Transcript #630)

The Global Race for High-Tech: Though we invented the microchip and videotape and pioneered atomic energy, other cuntries are producing chips, VCR's and nuclear reactors by taking our basic science and developing it into new products, jobs and profits.

Geraldo September 18, 1990 (Transcript #784)

Hell Camps: The effectiveness of survival programs for kids with low self-esteem, drug problems or self-destructive tendencies is debated amongst the parents of two children who died while participating in survival camps, the directors of two programs and former students.

Inside Corporate America (FNN) September 18, 1990 (Transcript #63)

Du Pont: CEO Edgar Woolard discusses his company's well- diversified areas of operations, including synthetic fibers, polymers, electronic materials, industrial chemicals and more recently, energy. He discusses his plans for making 1990 a profitable year despite the American economy and turmoil on the international front.

Larry King Live (CNN) September 18, 1990 (Transcript #131)

Leona Helmsley / Donny Osmond: Leona Helmsley discusses her conviction on tax evasion charges; Donny Osmond talks about his return to music after a 10-year absence.

Oprah Winfrey Show September 18, 1990 (Transcript #1047)

Emotional Incest: Adult children who have been smothered by their parents' love explain why they feel responsible for the emotional well-being of their parents. Dr. Patricia Love, author of The Emotional Incest Syndrome: What to Do When a Parent's Love Rules Your Life, explains how to break the bond of emotional incest.

Sally Jessy Raphael September 18, 1990 (Transcript #532)

Barbara Mandrell: The country music superstar discusses her career and recovery from the tragic accident that nearly killed her.

Wednesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: You Can Save Your Marriage After Divorce Sally Jessy Raphael: Just Spray No: Drug Test in a Can Geraldo: Sexy Grandmas Oprah Winfrey: Kinsey Sex Report

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#90262k0013 09/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 19) KYODO - THE TOKYO METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT PLANS TO LIMIT TRUCK TRAFFIC ON TOKYO STREETS BEGINNING IN NOVEMBER IN A MOVE TO CUT HIGH LEVELS OF NITROGEN OXIDE POLLUTANTS WHICH PEAK DURING THE WINTER MONTHS, OFFICIALS SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE PLAN, TO LAST OVER A THREE-MONTH PERIOD, CALLS ON TRANSPORT COMPANIES TO CUT TRUCK USE ON WEDNESDAYS FROM NOVEMBER TO JANUARY, WHEN WEATHER CONDITIONS PUSH AIR POLLUTION LEVELS UP.

DIESEL-POWERED TRUCKS, THE NUMBERS OF WHICH HAVE INCREASED IN RECENT YEARS, ACCOUNT FOR MUCH OF THE CITY'S NITROGEN OXIDE EXHAUST POLLUTANTS, MAKING IT DIFFICULT TO MAINTAIN AIR QUALITY STANDARDS, OFFICIALS SAID.

OFFICIALS SAID THEY DECIDED TO LIMIT TRAFFIC ON WEDNESDAYS JUST BEFORE THE SURGE OF TRAFFIC OCCURRING TOWARD THE WEEKENDS WHEN NITROGEN OXIDE LEVELS REGULARLY EXCEED ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS.

WITH THIS MEASURE, THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT HOPES TO CUT NITROGEN OXIDE EMISSION LEVELS BY CLOSE TO 30 PERCENT.

ONLY THREE OF 30 STATIONS SET UP TO MONITOR AUTOMOBILE EXHAUST EMISSIONS IN THE CITY RECORDED ACCEPTABLE NITROGEN DIOXIDE LEVELS, AND NEW AIR QUALITY STANDARDS SET THIS YEAR HAVE YET TO BE ACHIEVED, OFFICIALS SAID.

TOKYO IS ALSO STUDYING RESTRICTIONS ON EXPRESSWAY TRAFFIC.

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#90262k0053 09/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
BEIJING (SEPT. 19) KYODO - CHINESE PRESIDENT YANG SHANGKUN SAID HIS COUNTRY IS FOCUSING ON THE REVIVAL OF ITS ECONOMY AND CALLED FOR AN EXPANDED SCOPE OF COOPERATION WITH JAPAN IN A MEETING WEDNESDAY WITH A VISITING JAPANESE BUSINESS DELEGATION.

DELEGATION MEMBERS RESPONDED POSITIVELY TO YANG'S REQUEST, NOTING THAT CHINESE PREMIER LI PENG, DURING A TUESDAY SESSION, HAD SUGGESTED SPECIFIC PROJECTS, INCLUDING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A STEEL MILL.

THE 60-MEMBER DELEGATION, SPONSORED BY THE JAPAN-CHINA ASSOCIATION ON ECONOMY AND TRADE IS IN CHINA FOR A WEEKLONG VISIT AIMED AT REVIVING BUSINESS CONTACTS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES THAT WERE STRAINED FOLLOWING LAST YEAR'S BLOODY JUNE 4 GOVERNMENT CRACKDOWN ON PROTESTERS IN TIANANMEN SQUARE.

YANG ALSO THANKED JAPAN FOR REOPENING ITS 810 BILLION YEN LOAN PACKAGE,

CALLING THE TIANANMEN INCIDENT ''PAST HISTORY'' AND PRAISING THE SHIFT IN JAPANESE POLICIES.

JAPAN HAD HALTED THE 1990-1995 PACKAGE AFTER THE CRACKDOWN, FOLLOWING THE LEAD OF WESTERN COUNTRIES. JAPAN REVERSED THAT DECISION AT THE HOUSTON SUMMIT OF INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES IN JULY.

DELEGATION MEMBERS SUGGESTED THAT CHINESE VICE PREMIER TIAN JIYUN AND COMMERCE MINISTER HU PING VISIT JAPAN IN THE NEAR FUTURE. YANG SAID THE GOVERNMENT WILL CONSIDER THE INVITATION.

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OLONGAPO, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 19) KYODO - FILIPINO WORKERS AT SIX U.S. MILITARY FACILITIES PLAN TO GO ON STRIKE BY OCTOBER 1 TO PRESS FOR MORE PAY, A LABOR LEADER SAID WEDNESDAY.

ROBERTO FLORES, PRESIDENT OF THE FEDERATION OF FILIPINO CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATIONS, WHICH HAS 22,000 MEMBERS AT THE SIX FACILITIES, SAID FEDERATION OFFICIALS REACHED THE DECISION LATE TUESDAY NIGHT.

HE SAID THE 3 PERCENT PAY INCREASE PLANNED BY U.S. AUTHORITIES UNDER AMERICAN LAW VIOLATES A LABOR AGREEMENT.

THE WORKERS HAVE NOT AGREED ON A DEFINITE STRIKE DATE BUT WILL WALK OUT BEFORE OCTOBER 1, WHEN THE ANNUAL PAY INCREASE IS SET TO TAKE EFFECT, FLORES SAID.

HE SAID THE PAY RAISE VIOLATES BOTH THE BASES LABOR AGREEMENT AND A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT, WHICH STIPULATE THAT SALARY INCREASES SHALL BE BASED ON THE AVERAGE OF PAY SCALES AT THE COUNTRY'S TOP 32 FIRMS.

FLORES SAID THE LABOR PROBLEM IS NOT LINKED TO THE TALKS WHICH OPENED TUESDAY ON EXTENDING THE U.S. LEASE ON BASES IN THE PHILIPPINES.

ABOUT 20,000 FILIPINOS WORK FULL-TIME AT CLARK AIR BASE, SUBIC BAY NAVAL BASE, AND FOUR AUXILLIARY FACILITIES WHILE 60,000 PART-TIMERS WORK UNDER A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 19) KYODO - MITSUBISHI METAL CORP. SAID WEDNESDAY THAT IT HAD SIGNED A CONTRACT TO BUY COPPER ORE FROM TOLEDO MINE OF CEBU ISLAND, THE PHILIPPINES, OVER 15 YEARS BEGINNING THIS YEAR.

THE CONTRACT WAS SIGNED WITH ATLAS CONSOLIDATED MINING AND DEVELOPMENT CORP., OF THE PHILIPPINES, THE OWNER OF THE LARGEST MINE IN THE SOUTHEAST ASIA,

MITSUBISHI OFFICIALS SAID.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT, MITSUBISHI PLANS TO INVEST 30 MILLION DOLLARS (ABOUT 4.2 BILLION YEN) WITH ATLAS IN RETURN FOR 130,000 TONS A YEAR OF THE MINE'S COPPER ORE FOR THE NEXT 15 YEARS. THE MINE'S OUTPUT LAST YEAR WAS ABOUT 280,000 TONS.

MITSUBISHI OFFICIALS SAID THIS WILL SECURE A LONG-TIME SUPPLIER OF ABOUT 20 PERCENT OF THE COPPER ORE THE COMPANY NEEDS EACH YEAR.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 19) KYODO - THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT AND THE JAPAN SOCIALIST PARTY (JSP) AGREED ON WEDNESDAY TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO BAN THE EXPORT OF MILITARY WEAPONS, JSP OFFICIALS SAID.

AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER BOB HAWKE AND CHAIRWOMAN OF JAPAN'S LARGEST OPPOSITION PARTY, TAKAKO DOI, MADE THE AGREEMENT WHEN THEY MET IN TOKYO TO DISCUSS THE GULF CRISIS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ISSUES.

DOI SAID, ''ONE OF REASONS WHY THE GULF CRISIS BROKE OUT CAN BE ATTRIBUTED TO THE EXPORT OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT BY ARMS EXPORTING COUNTRIES TO IRAQ,'' ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS.

THE SOVIET UNION, FRANCE, AND OTHER ADVANCED COUNTRIES ARE REPORTED TO HAVE MADE MILITARY SHIPMENTS TO IRAQ BEFORE BAGHDAD INVADED KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

DOI AND HAWKE ALSO AGREED TO COOPERATE IN BOOSTING PEACE AND SECURITY IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION.

ASKED BY HAWKE ABOUT THE JSP'S VIEW OF U.N. PEACEKEEPING OBSERVATION TEAMS, DOI HAD THE GULF CRISIS IN MIND, AND SAID THE JSP OPPOSES SENDING JAPAN'S SELF-DEFENSE FORCES PERSONNEL TO ANY CONFLICT AREA.

SHE WAS QUOTED AS SAYING THE JAPANESE CONSTITUTION DOES NOT ALLOW JAPAN TO SEND MILITARY FORCES TO AREAS OF CONFLICT.

DOI SAID THE JAPANESE PEOPLE OBTAINED THE CONSTITUTION AT THE EXPENSE OF THE LIVES OF 20 MILLION ASIAN PEOPLE AND 3 MILLION JAPANESE DURING WORLD WAR II WHEN JAPAN INVADED ASIAN COUNTRIES.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 19) KYODO - REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN) ON WEDNESDAY CALLED ON JAPAN TO OPEN ITS MARKETS WIDER TO ASEAN PROCESSED AND MANUFACTURED GOODS AND BOOST INVESTMENT IN THE ASEAN REGION, FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE CALLS WERE MADE IN THE OPENING SESSION OF THE 12TH ASEAN- JAPAN FORUM, WHICH IS BEING HELD AT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY THROUGH THURSDAY.

SOLITA AGUIRRE, ACTING HEAD OF ASEAN AFFAIRS IN THE PHILIPPINE FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT, SAID PRODUCTS AND SERVICES EXCHANGES BETWEEN ASEAN AND JAPAN "SUFFER LOPSIDEDLY FROM INHERENTLY DISADVANTAGEOUS TERMS OF TRADE."

SHE CHARGED THAT JAPANESE PURCHASING PATTERNS TEND TO PERPETUATE THE CENTURIES-OLD ROLE OF ASEAN COUNTRIES AS EXPORTERS OF RAW MATERIALS AND PRIMARY PRODUCTS.

"ASEAN SEEKS GREATER ACCESS TO THE JAPANESE MARKET FOR COMMODITIES WHICH WILL HELP ITS MEMBER COUNTRIES ... SHIFT FROM PRIMARY PRODUCT OR RAW MATERIAL PRODUCTION TO THE PRODUCTION OF MANUFACTURED AND SEMIMANUFACTURED GOODS," AGUIRRE SAID.

AGUIRRE WAS SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF ASEAN IN THE PHILIPPINES' CURRENT POSITION AS "COUNTRY COORDINATOR" FOR ASEAN-JAPAN DIALOGUE.

ASEAN ALSO INCLUDES INDONESIA, THAILAND, MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE, AND BRUNEI.

AGUIRRE NOTED THAT WHILE ASEAN IMPORTS FROM JAPAN IN 1989 GREW BY 65 PERCENT, ASEAN EXPORTS TO JAPAN IN THE SAME PERIOD ROSE BY ONLY 35 PERCENT AND CONSISTED MOSTLY OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND RAW MATERIALS.

"WE SHOULD ASK, OR AT LEAST KEEP IN THE BACK OF OUR MINDS, IF JAPAN'S INTEREST IN ASEAN WILL ALWAYS BE IN ASEAN'S OIL-PRODUCTION CAPABILITY AND RAW MATERIALS EXPORTS," SHE SAID. ;;MORE NNNN R130 R CA15 R :ASEAN-JAPAN 2 TOKYO:

OFFICIALS SAID THE JAPANESE SIDE COUNTERED THAT JAPANESE IMPORTS OF ASEAN MANUFACTURED GOODS ARE "EXPANDING GREATLY."

ACCOUNTING FOR ONLY 15.8 PERCENT OF JAPAN'S TOTAL IMPORTS FROM ASEAN IN 1987, THE RATIO OF MANUFACTURED GOODS ROSE TO 20.1 PERCENT IN 1988 AND 25.8 PERCENT IN 1989, THEY SAID.

OFFICIALS SAID ASEAN CALLED FOR A LARGER SHARE OF INVESTMENT FROM JAPAN, NOTING THAT THE CURRENT SHARE APPEARS LACKING WHEN COMPARED WITH THE SHARES FROM NORTH AMERICA AND WESTERN EUROPE.

IN RESPONSE, THEY SAID, JAPAN CALLED ON ASEAN COUNTRIES TO EXERT MORE EFFORTS IN CREATING AN ENVIRONMENT CONDUCIVE TO INCREASED JAPANESE INVESTMENT.

OFFICIALS SAID SAKUTARO TANINO, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S ASIAN AFFAIRS BUREAU, ACKNOWLEDGED THAT ECONOMIC COOPERATION PROJECTS BETWEEN JAPAN AND ASEAN HAVE BEEN "A SOURCE OF DISSATISFACTION" FOR BOTH SIDES.

TANINO SAID THAT WHILE THE ASEAN SIDE HAS COMPLAINED OF MANY PROPOSED PROJECTS BEING LEFT UNADDRESSED, JAPAN HAS BEEN UNABLE TO RESPOND DUE TO A LACK OF DATA WHICH HE SAID MAKES FURTHER ASSESSMENT OF THE PROJECTS IMPOSSIBLE.

TANINO PROPOSED THAT EACH SIDE WORK TO RECTIFY THE PROBLEM BY ENHANCING THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF THE OTHER SIDE'S POLICIES AND SYSTEMS.

OFFICIALS SAID THE ASEAN SIDE CALLED SPECIFICALLY FOR A BOOST IN JAPANESE DIRECT FUNDING FOR VARIOUS ASEAN HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS, CULTURAL PROJECTS, AND FOR THE ASEAN SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE FUND.

TANINO PLEDGED THAT JAPAN WILL INITIATE AND STEP UP COOPERATION IN VARIOUS FIELDS, INCLUDING RELATIVELY NEW ONES SUCH AS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, OFFICIALS SAID.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 19) KYODO - THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY UNVEILED WEDNESDAY DETAILS OF THE FIRST DIRECT FLIGHT BETWEEN JAPAN AND NORTH KOREA THAT WILL CARRY A HIGH-POWERED JOINT JAPANESE PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION HEADED BY FORMER DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER SHIN KANEMARU AND AN OPPOSITION LEADER.

THE CHARTERED JAPAN AIRLINES DC 10, THE FIRST NOT TO GO VIA A THIRD COUNTRY, WILL FLY OVER NIIGATA CITY AND THE SEA OF JAPAN TO PYONGYANG, NORTH KOREA, THE MINISTRY SAID.

THE 1,630-KILOMETER FLIGHT WILL TAKE ABOUT TWO HOURS, MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE USUAL CIRCUITOUS ROUTE VIA BEIJING IS THE RESULT OF THE TWO NATIONS HAVING NO FORMAL DIPLOMATIC TIES.

WHILE KANEMARU IS LEADING A MISSION COMPOSED OF MEMBERS OF JAPAN'S RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY, MAKOTO TANABE, VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE NO. 1 OPPOSITION JAPAN SOCIALIST PARTY, WILL SIMULTANEOUSLY LEAD A SEPARATE DELEGATION FROM HIS PARTY.

DURING THEIR FIVE-DAY STAY, THE LAWMAKERS ARE TO CONFER WITH NORTH KOREAN LEADERS TO HELP NORMALIZE BILATERAL RELATIONS.

ACCORDING TO THE MINISTRY'S ANNOUNCEMENT, THE AIRCRAFT WILL PASS THROUGH A POINT CALLED ''KADBO'' ABOVE THE SEA OF JAPAN AND THEN HEAD DUE WEST INTO THE TERRITORIAL SKIES OF NORTH KOREA.

KADBO IS A POINT ABOVE THE SEA OF JAPAN WHERE ALL AIRPLANES MUST REPORT THEIR ROUTE TO A CONTROL TOWER.

A NORTH KOREAN AIRLINER FLEW DIRECTLY INTO JAPAN IN 1985 VIA VLADIVOSTOK IN

THE SOVIET UNION TO CARRY YOUNG ATHLETES FOR A UNIVERSIAD IN KOBE.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 19) KYODO - THE HEAD OF DAIMLER-BENZ AG SAID WEDNESDAY THE WEST GERMAN CONGLOMERATE WILL SIGN A LICENSE CONTRACT WITH THE SOVIET UNION AS SOON AS NOVEMBER TO PRODUCE BUSES FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION.

CHAIRMAN EDZARD REUTER TOLD A TOKYO PRESS CONFERENCE THAT THE PROJECT CALLS FOR PRODUCTION OF 2,000-3,000 BUSES A YEAR USING EXISTING SOVIET FACILITIES. AGREEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED IN PRINCIPLE, HE SAID.

DAIMLER-BENZ HAS APPROACHED MITSUBISHI CORP. FOR POSSIBLE COOPERATION IN A PLAN TO BUILD A CAR PLANT IN THE SOVIET UNION, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID, BUT THE JAPANESE TRADING GIANT HAS SHOWN RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE PLAN DUE TO ANXIETY OVER SOVIET ECONOMIC CONDITIONS.

REUTER SAID HE WOULD LIKE MITSUBISHI TO COMMIT ITSELF TO THE PLAN. HE WAS IN TOKYO FOR TALKS WITH LEADERS OF THE MITSUBISHI GROUP, WITH WHICH DAIMLER-BENZ HAS AGREED TO COOPERATE IN VARIOUS FIELDS, INCLUDING AEROSPACE.

DAIMLER-BENZ HAD ITS SHARES LISTED ON THE TOKYO STOCK EXCHANGE ON WEDNESDAY, AHEAD OF WIDE-RANGING TALKS ON COOPERATIVE BUSINESS ARRANGEMENTS WITH FOUR COMPANIES IN THE MITSUBISHI GROUP.

REUTER SAID THE LISTING OF THE STUTTGART-BASED COMPANY'S STOCK WILL HELP PROVIDE MORE ACCESS FOR ITS PRODUCTS IN JAPAN, AND ENABLE IT TO RAISE YEN FUNDS TO FINANCE THE INDUSTRIAL GIANT'S EXPANSION INTO ASIA.

HE ADDED THE DAIMLER-BENZ GROUP WANTS TO ENTER INTO INTERNATIONAL COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENTS WITH OTHER MAJOR COMPANIES TO REMAIN COMPETITIVE WORLDWIDE, AND DEVELOP NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND PRODUCTS THAT REQUIRE UNLIMITED CAPITAL OUTLAYS, RISK, AND EMPLOYMENT OF SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS.

IN MARCH, DAIMLER-BENZ ANNOUNCED IT HAD BEGUN TALKS WITH THE MITSUBISHI GROUP ON CARS, TRUCKS, SEMICONDUCTORS, AEROSPACE, AND OTHER SERVICES, FOLLOWING THE RECENT TREND OF LINKUPS BETWEEN JAPANESE, EUROPEAN, AND U.S. MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS.

THE TALKS IN TOKYO ARE EXPECTED TO FOCUS ON DAIMLER-BENZ'S BUS AND CAR PROJECTS IN THE SOVIET UNION, AND MERCEDES-BENZ AG'S 1 BILLION MARK INVESTMENT TO MODERNIZE ASSEMBLY FACILITIES FOR MEDIUM-SIZED HEAVY TRUCKS WITH A PREVIOUSLY STATE-OWNED TRUCK COLLECTIVE IN EAST GERMANY.

MERCEDES-BENZ OFFICIALS HAVE ALREADY ASKED MITSUBISHI REPRESENTATIVES TO SUPPLY EQUIPMENT IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW PLANT IN GORKI, ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY SOURCES.

REUTER SAID THE TWO DIVERSIFIED GROUPS ARE TALKING ABOUT CROSS-SHARING TECHNOLOGY BETWEEN INDIVIDUAL COMPANIES AND NOT THE GROUP, AFTER COMPLETING AGREEMENTS IN FIELDS WHERE IT IS FEASIBLE.

THE MITSUBISHI GROUP COMPANIES INVOLVED IN THE TALKS WITH DAIMLER-BENZ ARE MITSUBISHI CORP., MITSUBISHI HEAVY INDUSTRIES LTD., MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC CORP., AND MITSUBISHI MOTORS CORP.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 19) KYODO - SHIMIZU CORP. SAID TUESDAY IT HAS RECEIVED AN ORDER TO BUILD AN OFFICE AND SHOPPING COMPLEX IN SINGAPORE AT A COST OF 334.5 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS.

THE PLANNED COMPLEX, TO BE NAMED NGEE ANN CITY, WILL HAVE A TOTAL FLOOR SPACE OF 258,000 SQUARE METERS AND WILL BE ONE OF THE LARGEST CENTERS OF ITS KIND IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, ACCORDING TO SHIMIZU OFFICIALS.

TO BE LOCATED IN THE CENTER OF DOWNTOWN SINGAPORE, IT IS NOW UNDER DEVELOPMENT BY A GROUP OF LOCAL COMPANIES, INCLUDING NGEE ANN DEVELOPMENT PTE. LTD.

THE COMPLEX WILL CONSIST OF TWO SEPARATE 27-STORY OFFICE BUILDINGS AND A CONNECTING BUILDING WITH SHOPS.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 19) KYODO - LAND PRICES CONTINUED TO SOAR ACROSS THE NATION DURING THE YEAR ENDED IN JUNE AGAINST THE BACKDROP OF AN INVESTMENT BOOM DRIVEN BY A GLUT OF MONEY, THE NATIONAL LAND AGENCY SAID WEDNESDAY.

LAND PRICES IN OSAKA AND SURROUNDING PREFECTURES SHOWED AN ESPECIALLY STRONG INCREASE FOR THE THIRD CONSECUTIVE YEAR. RESIDENTIAL LAND IN THE OSAKA AREA CLIMBED AN AVERAGE 48.2 PERCENT WHILE COMMERCIAL LAND IN THE REGION WENT UP 39.7 PERCENT, ACCORDING TO A REPORT ISSUED BY THE AGENCY.

THE AVERAGE PRICE OF A SQUARE METER OF RESIDENTIAL LAND IN THE OSAKA AREA WAS 534,400 YEN, 20,200 YEN MORE THAN IN THE TOKYO METROPOLITAN AREA, THE REPORT SAID.

THE REPORT WAS BASED ON SURVEYS CONDUCTED JULY 1 BY PREFECTURAL GOVERNMENTS.

LAND PRICES IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS ROSE AN AVERAGE 13.2 PERCENT NATIONWIDE WHILE COMMERCIAL LAND PRICES CLIMBED AN AVERAGE 13.4 PERCENT.

THIS WAS THE FIRST DOUBLE-DIGIT INCREASE RECORDED IN AVERAGE NATIONWIDE

RESIDENTIAL LAND PRICES SINCE THE SURVEY WAS STARTED IN 1975, AN AGENCY OFFICIAL SAID.

HOUSING LAND PRICES IN THE TOKYO AREA INCREASED 11 PERCENT OVER THE YEAR.

RESIDENTIAL LAND PRICES IN KYOTO PREFECTURE SURGED 48.9 PERCENT, FOLLOWED BY 44.3 PERCENT IN OSAKA PREFECTURE AND 41.7 PERCENT IN SHIGA PREFECTURE.

THE AVERAGE PRICE OF A SQUARE METER OF RESIDENTIAL LAND IN TOKYO WAS 858,600 YEN, COMPARED WITH 571,400 YEN IN OSAKA.

THE MOST EXPENSIVE RESIDENTIAL LAND PRICE WAS IN SANBANCHO, IN TOKYO'S CHIYODA WARD, AT 12.5 MILLION YEN PER SQUARE METER. THE MOST EXPENSIVE COMMERCIAL LAND WAS ALSO IN TOKYO, UNDER THE MEIDI-YA BUILDING IN GINZA, AT 38 MILLION YEN PER SQUARE METER.

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OSAKA (SEPT. 19) KYODO - A CORNERSTONE CEREMONY FOR THE JAPANESE BRANCH OF SAINT CATHERINE'S COLLEGE AT OXFORD UNIVERSITY WILL BE HELD NEXT FRIDAY, OFFICIALS SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE KOBE INSTITUTE, IN KOBE, WESTERN JAPAN, IS TO BE ESTABLISHED BY DONATIONS FROM STEELMAKER KOBE STEEL LTD. AND SOME ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS.

IT WILL OFFICIALLY OPEN NEXT SEPTEMBER AND OFFER ONE-YEAR COURSES ON SUCH SUBJECTS AS EUROPEAN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS. THE COURSES ARE INTENDED FOR UNIVERSITY GRADUATES AND WILL BE LIMITED TO 40 STUDENTS.

ATTENDING THE CORNERSTONE CEREMONY, TO BE CONDUCTED IN TRADITIONAL BRITISH STYLE, WILL BE LORD BULLOCK, FORMER CHANCELLOR OF OXFORD UNIVERSITY, AND OSAMU UNO, PRESIDENT OF THE KANSAI ECONOMIC FEDERATION.

A RUGBY MATCH BETWEEN TEAMS OF OXFORD UNIVERSITY AND KOBE STEEL IS PLANNED TO COMMEMORATE THE OCCASION.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 19) KYODO - JAPAN PRODUCED 6.09 MILLION KILOLITERS OF BEER IN 1989, UP 5.1 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER, OVERTAKING BRITAIN TO BECOME THE FOURTH-LARGEST BEER PRODUCER IN THE WORLD, A JAPANESE BREWER SAID WEDNESDAY.

JAPAN'S PER-CAPITA BEER CONSUMPTION, HOWEVER, REMAINED RELATIVELY LOW AT NO. 26. THE AVERAGE JAPANESE DOWNED 47.2 LITERS, ABOUT ONE-THIRD THAT CONSUMED BY THE AVERAGE RESIDENT OF WORLD LEADER WEST GERMANY.

ACCORDING TO KIRIN BREWERY CO., WORLD PRODUCTION OF THE YELLOW BREW IN 1989 WAS 117.4 MILLION KILOLITERS, UP 2 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

ALTHOUGH GROWTH SLOWED FROM THE 3 PERCENT LEVEL RECORDED IN 1985-88, WORLD PRODUCTION WAS ENOUGH TO FILL THE TOKYO DOME 89.3 TIMES, THE REPORT SAID.

THE UNITED STATES WAS BY FAR THE WORLD'S TOP BEER PRODUCER, BREWING 23.36 MILLION KILOLITERS, UP 0.6 PERCENT. WEST GERMANY CAME IN SECOND WITH 9.3 MILLION KILOLITERS, ALMOST UNCHANGED FROM THE YEAR EARLIER.

CHINA WAS IN THIRD PLACE DESPITE A 3 PERCENT DECLINE IN PRODUCTION TO 6.24 MILLION KILOLITERS.

IN CONTRAST TO THE LOW GROWTH IN OUTPUT RECORDED BY THESE TOP-RANKING COUNTRIES, LOWER-RANKING NATIONS STAGED STRONG GROWTH.

BRAZIL SCORED A 15 PERCENT RISE, TAKING SEVENTH PLACE, WHILE MEXICO GREW 12 PERCENT FOR EIGHTH PLACE. THE PHILIPPINES MOVED UP TO 19TH FROM 21ST PLACE ON THE STRENGTH OF A 12 PERCENT GROWTH.

SOUTH KOREA MOVED UP TO 22ND FROM 25TH, WITH A 16 PERCENT GROWTH IN OUTPUT, THE REPORT SAID.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 19) KYODO - PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU PLANS TO EXTEND 100 MILLION DOLLARS IN COMMODITY LOANS TO JORDAN FOR THE PURCHASE OF OIL WHEN HE VISITS THE KINGDOM IN EARLY OCTOBER AS PART OF A FIVE-NATION MIDDLE EASTERN TOUR, GOVERNMENT SOURCES SAID WEDNESDAY.

KAIFU ALSO INTENDS TO OFFER 22 MILLION DOLLARS TO JORDAN TO ASSIST REFUGEES FLEEING FROM IRAQ AND IRAQI-OCCUPIED KUWAIT, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCES.

KAIFU IS SCHEDULED TO VISIT EGYPT, JORDAN, TURKEY, SAUDI ARABIA, AND OMAN FROM OCTOBER 1-9 AFTER ATTENDING A UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON CHILDREN IN NEW YORK ON SEPTEMBER 29-30.

IN TALKS WITH JORDANIAN LEADERS, INCLUDING KING HUSSEIN, KAIFU WILL CALL ON THEM TO STRICTLY ABIDE BY THE UNITED NATIONS-SANCTIONED TRADE EMBARGO AGAINST IRAQ AND TO TAKE CONCERTED ACTIONS WITH WESTERN COUNTRIES TO RESOLVE THE GULF CRISIS, THE SOURCES SAID.

JORDAN HAS CONDEMNED IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT AND PLEDGED TO OBSERVE THE U.N. RESOLUTIONS AIMED AT PUNISHING IRAQ FOR ITS MILITARY ANNEXATION OF THE OIL-RICH NEIGHBORING COUNTRY.

JORDAN, HOWEVER, REMAINS CRITICAL OF THE U.S.-LED MULTINATIONAL TROOPS

STATIONED IN THE GULF, INSISTING THE CRISIS SHOULD BE RESOLVED THROUGH AN ARAB INITIATIVE.

THE UNITED STATES HAS EXPRESSED DISSATISFACTION OVER JORDAN'S CONTINUED IMPORTS OF CRUDE OIL FROM IRAQ AND URGED AMMAN TO COOPERATE IN IMPOSING ECONOMIC SANCTIONS ON BAGHDAD.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 19) KYODO - THE INSTITUTE OF PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL RESEARCH OF JAPAN AND THE RUTHERFORD APPLETON LABORATORY OF BRITAIN WILL LAUNCH A JOINT RESEARCH PROJECT ON NUCLEAR FUSION BY USING AN ESOTERIC ELEMENTARY PARTICLE, OFFICIALS OF THE NATIONAL JAPANESE RESEARCH LAB SAID.

THE 1.7 BILLION YEN PROJECT IS AIMED AT EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY THAT NUCLEAR FUSION MAY OCCUR AT RELATIVELY LOW TEMPERATURES WHEN AN ELEMENTARY PARTICLE CALLED A MUON COLLIDES WITH THE ELEMENTS DUETERIUM OR TRITIUM, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY EARMARKED 600 MILLION YEN OUT OF THE 1.7 BILLION YEN FOR SUCH RESEARCH IN THE FISCAL 1990 BUDGET, THEY SAID.

THE BRITISH INSTITUTE SUGGESTED JOINT RESEARCH WITH THE JAPANESE LAB, WHICH HAS BEEN CONDUCTING RESEARCH ON NUCLEAR FUSION USING MUONS.

THE CONVENTIONAL METHOD TO ACHIEVE NUCLEAR FUSION IN HYDROGEN BOMBS, FOR EXAMPLE, REQUIRES HEATING DEUTRIUM AND TRITIUM TO EXTREMELY HIGH TEMPERATURES ABOVE 100 MILLION DEGREES CELSIUS.

BUT SCIENTISTS BELIEVE THEY CAN REALIZE NUCLEAR FUSION AT TEMPERATURES OF A COMPARATIVELY LOW SEVERAL HUNDRED DEGREES, OR EVEN AT VERY LOW TEMPERATURES LIKE 200 BELOW ZERO, IF THEY CAN SUCCESFULLY UTILIZE MUONS.

MUON IS ONE OF THE ELEMENTARY PARTICLES BELONGING TO A CLASS OF PARTICLES CALLED LEPTONS, WHICH CONSISTS OF THE ELECTRON, TAU PARTICLE, AND THREE TYPES OF NEUTRINO AS WELL AS MUON.

THE FACILITIES TO CREATE MUONS WILL BE BUILT ADJACENT TO RUTHERFORD'S PARTICLE ACCELERATOR (ATOM SMASHER), WHICH IS THE MOST POWERFUL IN THE WORLD. ;;MORE

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WHEN PROTONS ACCELERATED TO CLOSE TO THE SPEED OF LIGHT CLASH WITH CARBON ATOMS, A LARGE NUMBER OF CHARGED PI MESONS ARE CREATED.

PI MESONS, ALSO KNOWN AS PIONS, DECAY INTO MUONS AND NEUTRINOS WITHIN ONE-100 MILLIONTH OF A SECOND.

THE FACILITY TO BE BUILT IN THE RUTHERFORD LAB HAS A 6-METER-LONG SUPERCONDUCTING MAGNET TUNNEL IN WHICH THE PROCESS OF DECAY OCCURS.

THE MUONS THUS CREATED ARE RENDERED INTO HIGH-INTENSITY PULSES BY A PULSE KICKER ATTACHED TO THE EXITS OF THE TUNNEL.

THE PULSE KICKER IS DESIGNED TO MAKE MUONS FLOW INTO TWO SEPARATE HIGH-INTENSITY PULSES. A PULSE IN PHYSICS IS A BRIEF VARIATION IN A REGULAR WAVEFORM.

THE NEW FACILITY AT THE RUTHERFORD LAB IS EXPECTED TO CREATE PULSES OF MUONS WHICH INCLUDE 600,000 MUONS IN ONE CYCLE, 20 TIMES AS DENSE AS IN EXISTING MACHINES.

WHEN THE PULSES OF MUONS COLLIDE WITH DEUTRIUM OR TRITIUM, THE MUONS START CIRCLING AROUND THE ELEMENT'S NUCLEI, TAKING THE PLACE OF ELECTRONS.

SINCE MUONS ARE 200 TIMES AS MASSIVE AS ELECTRONS, THE CIRCLING MUONS CAUSE THE NUCLEI TO MOVE CLOSER TO EACH OTHER THROUGH LARGER GRAVITATIONAL FORCES, THEREBY CAUSING NUCLEAR FUSION.

USING EXISTING METHODS TO DATE, ONE MUON HAS BEEN ABLE TO CAUSE 150 NUCLEAR FUSION REACTIONS, CONSIDERED A SMALL AMOUNT. BUT THE NEW RUTHERFORD FACILITY COULD CREATE AT LEAST 300 REACTIONS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

ALTHOUGH THE NUMBER STILL FALLS SHORT OF THE 500 REQUIRED TO USE NUCLEAR FUSION AS AN ENERGY SOURCE, THE JOINT RESEARH, IF SUCCESSFUL, IS EXPECTED TO BE AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARD ACTUAL USE OF NUCLEAR FUSION FOR ENERGY, THEY SAID.

THE DESIGN OF THE FACILITY IS ALMOST COMPLETED AND THE MACHINE IS SCHEDULED TO START OPERATING AND CREATING MUONS IN LARGE QUANTITIES IN 1993, THEY SAID.

THE NUCLEAR FUSION RESEARCH WILL GO INTO FULL SWING IN 1995, THEY SAID. THE NEW FACILITY WILL ALSO BE USED FOR STUDYING THE CHEMICAL OR PHYSICAL MAKEUP OF MATERIALS BY EXPOSING THEM TO MUONS, WHICH DO NOT BREAK UP THE MATERIALS IN ORDER TO DETERMINE THEIR STRUCTURE.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 19) KYODO - CITING SLACK BROKERAGE COMMISSION EARNINGS DUE TO THE SHAKY STOCK MARKET SINCE EARLY THIS YEAR, 10 MEDIUM-SIZE BROKERAGE HOUSES SAID WEDNESDAY THEY HAVE REVISED DOWNWARD THEIR HALF-YEAR PROFIT FORECASTS.

THE FORECASTS SHOW THE BROKERAGES' UNCONSOLIDATED PRETAX PROFITS PLUNGING DRAMATICALLY FOR THE FISCAL 1990 FIRST HALF, ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, UNDER THE WEIGHT OF LOW TRADING VOLUME AND THE RESULTING DETERIORATION IN BROKERAGE PERFORMANCE.

THE BROKERAGE HOUSES ALSO BLAMED THE DOWNWARD REVISIONS ON THE INCREASED BURDEN OF CAPITAL SPENDING TO UPDATE THEIR COMPUTER SYSTEMS AS WELL AS ON WEAK UNDERWRITING COMMISSION INCOME.

THE UNDERWRITING BUSINESS WAS AT A STANDSTILL BETWEEN MARCH AND JUNE AS BROKERAGE HOUSES SUSPENDED UNDERWRITING NEW EQUITIES TO PROTECT THE THEN FLATTENING STOCK MARKET.

ALL 10 BROKERAGE HOUSES SAID THERE IS LITTLE HOPE THAT THEIR EARNINGS WILL SHOW STRONG PERFORMANCES FOR THE FULL FISCAL YEAR ENDING ON MARCH 31, 1991.

FOLLOWING ARE COMPANY-BY-COMPANY FORECASTS IN BILLIONS OF YEN FOR THE FIRST HALF OF FISCAL 1990 WITH YEAR-TO-YEAR PERCENTAGE FALLS IN PARENTHESES:

	OPERATING INCOME	PRETAX PROFIT
KOKUSAI SECURITIES	87.0 (- 11.4)	21.0 (- 36.4)
NEW JAPAN SECURITIES	82.0 (- 18.5)	3.1 (- 89.5)
NIPPON KANGYO KAKUMARU	73.8 (- 18.7)	5.5 (- 79.2)
SANYO SECURITIES	63.4 (- 14.9)	4.0 (- 79.9)
WAKO SECURITIES	62.0 (- 12.3)	10.0 (- 52.7)
OKASAN SECURITIES	51.4 (- 8.5)	8.5 (- 36.6)
COSMO SECURITIES	39.0 (- 17.0)	5.5 (- 55.5)
TOKYO SECURTIES	26.0 (- 22.9)	0.5 (- 93.8)
DAI-ICHI SECURITIES	24.9 (- 23.2)	0.5 (- 92.8)
YAMATANE SECURITIES	17.9 (- 40.3)	0.3 (- 97.5)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT 19) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that housing starts for August fell 1.7% which marks the seventh straight month of decline.

World stocks are flat to lower: ... The Nikkei is down 159 points. North Sea crude for November delivery is down $1.12 to $31.70. ... Federal regulators say the government can reduce the cost of the S&L bailout by up to $4 billion, but only by putting $22 billion up front to buy out some 1988 deals. ... A California grand jury has indicted CHARLES KEATING JR. on fraud charges in connection with his S&L dealings. ... CONTINENTAL AIRLINES HOLDINGS CORP. has agreed to pay $80.5 million now and up to $610 million in the future to guarantee the pensions of EASTERN AIRLINES employees and retirees. ... CORROON & BLACK rejects an unsolicited $840 million takeover bid from AON CORP., but

says it will pursue a proposed stock-swap merger with WILLIS FABER, a British insurer. ... The BLACKSTONE GROUP is forming an alliance with the investment banking subsidiary of BANQUE INDOSUEZ. ... NEXT INC. announces four new computers as STEPHEN JOBS hopes to rekindle the sense of anticipation that his computer company had when it introduced its first product two years ago. ... AMDAHL unveils 10 new mainframes even though the computers will not be ready to ship for more than a year.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN testifies about the nations economic outlook before the Joint Economic Committee beginning at 10 a.m. EDT. ... The FEDERAL RESERVE releases its report on regional economic conditions at 12 noon EDT. ... The INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND is scheduled to release its biannual economic report late this afternoon. ... NCR CORP. says it will offer an entire product line of computers based on INTEL microprocessors and standardized software.

FROM THE BULLS:

"Our reading of sentiment is bullish," says MICHAEL BURKE at "Investors Intelligence" where 56% of the advisory services he tracks are now bearish. Burke is also seeing buy signals from his NYSE money flow indicator, and says heavy insider buying is another very bullish sign. Although his portfolio is now only 17% invested, Burke says, "We hope to become much more fully invested over the next few months." (CNBC "World Business", 9/19)

FROM THE BEARS:

"At this point our time projections indicate that from September 13 all the way up to October 1, we should generally be in a downtrend," says HANS KASHYAP editor of the "Marketpulse Fax Advisory." "Now, within this downtrend, this particular week we expect the market to be extremely volatile. It is still an extremely nervous market, so we are expecting this type of roller coaster action, but into Friday we expect generally flat to higher prices." He expects next week to be a down week with "maybe a blip up somewhere near the middle." Mr. Kashyap finds good support at 2532. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/18)

STOCK MARKET:

"I don't think we've seen the lows on the market," says MARY FARRELL, first vice president at PAINEWEBBER. "I think we'll see some further additional weakness, unfortunately, as we wait for resolution to either the Mideast crisis or the economic uncertainty." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/18)

"There's no question that [a rumor the Fed moved to ease credit] was the catalyst" for yesterday's market showing, says GREG DRAHUSCHAK of BUTCHER & SINGER. "Right now, the market will take anything as a good excuse to buy."

("USA Today", 9/19)

"Short-term, the stock market is positioned to improve, owing to the oversold condition and bearish sentiment," says A.C. MOORE, director of research at ARGUS RESEARCH CORP. "Long-term, however, the market has not reached a meaningful buy point. I would like to see more bearishness and the Mideast crisis resolved." Mr. Moore is recommending a defensive posture, with equity accounts 60% in stocks and 40% in cash. For balanced accounts, he favors 40% stocks, 30% bonds and 30% cash. He does not recommend any aggressive buying of stocks at this time. ("Investor's Daily", 9/19)

"I think you have to take a look at the possibility there will be some good news that comes along," says FRANK GRETZ, technical analyst at SHIELDS & CO. "Now I don't know what that good news may be -- some kind of budget accord, good news out of the Mideast, or whatever it may be -- but when sentiment is so one-sided, everyone is looking for the negative, and I think a surprise to the plus side could really send prices dramatically higher," (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/18)

"The market seemed to latch onto the Fed stories," says ALFRED GOLDMAN, director of technical research at A.G. EDWARDS & SONS in St. Louis, describing yesterday's market action. As treasury securities recovered early losses, the rebound "took the stock market up with it." (WSJ, 9/19)

STOCK TIPS:

"We are still bottom fishing," says MARY FARRELL of PAINEWEBBER. "I would consider looking at very good quality companies with a view toward scaling in as we get some of these more attractive prices." She mentions COCA-COLA, PEPSICO and PHILIP MORRIS as the kind stocks that are peaking her interest, along with drug companies with good overseas businesses. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/18)

EDISON BROTHERS STORES INC. appears to be thriving amidst the general slump in retailing. "Definitely, things have slowed for them as for everyone else," says ROBERT BUCHANAN, senior retail analyst at ALEX. BROWN & SONS in Baltimore. "But I'm optimistic for Edison Brothers for the third and fourth quarters. I estimate third-quarter earnings at 80 cents a share, against 78 cents a share a year before." Mr. Buchanan says the current price "seems inexpensive for the stock of a retailer with a projected long-term earnings growth of 20 percent." He adds, "Edison's balance sheet is also strong, with long-term debt equal to just 13 percent of total long-term capitalization. Recent weakness in Edison's business appears tied to overall lethargy in the consumer-spending environment. Despite this near-term weakness, over the next several months I continue to think that in large measure Edison will fare well relative to other retailers." (NYT, 9/19)

COORS purchase of a brewery has boosted capacity and earnings are expected to

be up 60% this year, says ANDREW ADDISON of the "Addison Report." The stock has shown new highs in relative strength and has two-to-one upside volume. Addison calls the stock a speculative recommendation and says it is an excellent purchase at the current price. He looks for it to test resistance at 27 and then move up to the 30 area. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/19)

GRUNTAL & CO. recommends stock in SCOTT PAPER CO. The brokerage notes that earnings were down the first half of this year due to expansion costs, but says they should rebound next year. ("USA Today", 9/19)

RICHARD ADLER of CRUTTENDEN & CO., recommends five stocks he says could double next year even in a recession. They are: TEXHALL INDUSTRIES, DESTRON, VIDMARK, PROVENA FOODS and HUMPHREY. ("USA Today", 9/19)

"USA Today" reports that emerging technology in health care favors a number of companies, including some that emphasize laparoscopic surgery, which is a less invasive procedure than traditional surgery. The report, a consensus of several analysts, says the following stocks are riding "a healthy trend:" CABOT MEDICAL, LASERSCOPE, U.S. SURGICAL, SURGICAL LASER, SURGICAL CARE and MEDICAL CARE. ("USA Today", 9/19)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

Given recent U.S. economic data, the currency market wants to be short dollars says JOHN HAZLETON, analyst with MANUFACTURERS HANOVER. But the Middle East situation is making traders nervous about straying too far from the greenback. "Last Friday when there was an announcement that shots had been fired, there was a very sharp and painful rally in the dollar," says Hazelton. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/19)

As currency movements are showing, "we still haven't seen enough of what is going on in the U.S. economy to make big bets on the dollar," says LISA FINSTROM, an analyst at LEHMAN BROTHERS. She says that may have to wait for the September employment number in early October. (WSJ, 9/19)

"I don't feel the drop in the fed funds rate was due to a move by the Federal Reserve to ease monetary policy." says A.C. MOORE, director of research at ARGUS RESEARCH CORP. "I feel the decline in the fed funds was due to action by the Federal Reserve in response to corporate tax returns being made on Monday with the result money was being taken out of the system. He continues, "With the unexpected jump in the CPI index, ex-food and energy, I doubt the

Federal Reserve will ease now. My feeling is the Fed will drag its feet and won't ease until there is some resolution to the Mideast crisis. My rough guess is that it will not take place until sometime in the middle of the fourth quarter." ("Investor's Daily", 9/19)

BILL WOLMAN, chief economist for "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC," says it is almost impossible to determine whether Fed moves yesterday amounted to a calculated ease or merely a move to maintain liquidity in the banking system. Noting rumors that some big New York banks are having cash flow problems, Wolman points out that "the number one job of the Fed is to maintain the soundness of the commercial banking system, to provide liquidity to the commercial banking system. ... I do not know whether the Fed has eased or whether there were funding problems." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/18)

The junk bond market has been signaling recession since August of last year, says JOSEPH BENCIVENGA, high yield bond specialist at SALOMON BROTHERS. "I think the high yield market has basically discounted a lot of these recessionary fears," says Bencivenga who believes junk bonds are now poised to perform well over the next several years despite a record setting default rate thus far in 1990. He says the downside is limited: "With a 40% drop in the bottom tier of the market already, it's hard to believe bonds could go down any further from their average $60 price in the triple-C segment." (CNN "Business Morning", 9/19)

"The Fed has to look at the weakening of the overall economy." says RICHARD STUCKEY, chief economist for DuPONT CO. "Retail sales have been down six of the last seven months, industrial production is dropping and employment growth is slowing. ... They [the Fed] have had an exceedingly tight rein on money. What's uppermost in my mind is whether any loosening will be too little, too late." ("Investor's Daily", 9/19)

Investors in the bond and currency "are busy being nervous, hiding in closets " says TIM SCALA, financial risk manager of the SEQUOR GROUP. "We take positions for very short periods of time and we have got stop loss positions in our mind to cover them, and they are not big positions." He is very cynical about any believable budget deficit coming out of the current talks and says he'd sooner bet on the results of the Middle East. (FNN "Marketwrap" 9/18)

THE ECONOMY:

"I haven't felt this gloomy about the U.S. economy since 1979 ... right before the recessions of 1980 and 1981-82," says ALAN SINAI, chief economist at BOSTON CO. ECONOMIC ADVISORS. "Energy inflation is like an inverted pyramid. It starts at the top with gasoline, then filters down to jet fuel, chemicals, utility bills, plastics, paper, food ... most of the things we buy." ("USA

Today", 9/19)

"I'm afraid we're looking at some more rather ugly inflation numbers in coming months," says BRUCE STEINBERG, an economist with MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MARKETS in New York. "Just on the basis of the energy side of the equation, we have several months of bad inflation to come. We're basically looking at an annual inflation rate that's going to run at 7% to 8% for the rest of the year." ("Investor's Daily", 9/19)

"We have inflation numbers that could really sort of knock your socks off," says ROBERT BRUSCA of NIKKO SECURITIES following the CPI report yesterday. He was also very distressed by the higher than expected trade deficit. He says foreign trade had not only been the one star in the economy, it was really the only actor. Now that trade is faltering, many economists are predicting a recession soon if we are not already in one. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/18)

"I think this is a marvelously characteristic inflation number," says JOEL POPKIN, who heads a Washington consulting firm. "It delineates better than words what the inflation problem is. Half of it is from the 'core' inflation rate that existed before the Iraqi invasion and the other half is from energy." He says "we can expect an additional 0.5 percentage points to be tacked on to each of the next couple of CPI reports because of oil prices." ("The Washington Post" and "USA Today", 9/19)

"The one area of strength in our economy [exports] may have come to an end just when we can least afford to have that happen," says DAVID JONES of AUBREY G. LANSTON & CO. ("USA Today", 9/19)

"I don't know how anyone can explain that increase in imports," says WILLIAM ARCHEY, international vice president of the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE in commenting on a 75% jump in the trade deficit. "It's heavy on capital goods and capital goods are one of the first sectors that should feel a decline because of the slowdown in the U.S. economy." ("The Washington Post", 9/19) 2

"Housing starts are now at a level that ... carries an 83% probability of recession," writes JAMES STACK, editor of "Investech." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/18)

IN WASHINGTON:

"Sequestration is a distinct possibility," says PETER BASS, a managing director at S.G. WARBURG SECURITIES INC., referring to the across-the-board budgets cuts that will take effect on Oct. 1 under the legislation unless a budget agreement is reached. "I don't think it is as much of a long shot as it seemed two weeks ago." (NYT, 9/19)

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OAK BROOK, Ill. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: WMX) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase by the company of up to 25,000,000 shares of its common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions over the next 24 month period. After giving effect to the estimated number of shares issuable in the company's recent increase in ownership of the common stock of Wheelabrator Technologies Inc., the company currently has approximately 486,000,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

Dean L. Buntrock, chairman of the board and chief executive officer stated that "the decision to authorize repurchases of Waste Management common stock arises from the company's belief that, at the current market prices, Waste Management common stock is a sound financial investment for the company. In addition, the program will provide the Company with the ability to move quickly to capitalize on any future opportunities that may be created by general market reactions to events in the Middle East."

Common stock repurchased under the program will be held in the company treasury and will be available for use in connection with business acquisitions by the company, in connection with the company's employee benefit programs or for other general corporate purposes.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pacific Stock Exchange (PSE) today announced the commencement of options trading on the common stock of Aon Corp. Dean Foods Co., and Keystone International Inc. The common stocks of all three companies are traded at the PSE. The addition of listed options allows investors the opportunity of trading both instruments on the same exchange, providing a benefit for risk management transactions.

Aon Corp., based in Chicago, is engaged in writing and marketing life and accident and health insurance; specialty property and casualty insurance; and in providing commercial brokerage, consulting, and reinsurance services.

Dean Foods Co. is headquartered in Franklin Park, Ill., and purchases, processes and distributes dairy products and specialty foods. The company also operates a trucking business, hauling primarily refrigerated and frozen cartage.

Based in Houston, Keystone International Inc. manufactures and markets automated flow controls and other specialized industrial products for use in various industries, including food processing, pharmaceuticals, petroleum, natural gas, chemicals, pulp and paper, and power generation.

Aon Corp. Stock Symbol: AOC Expiration Cycle: January Current Months Trading: October; January; April Exercise/Position Limits: 3,000 Exercise/Strike Prices: 30; 35; 40 Dean Foods Co. Stock Symbol: DF Expiration Cycle: February Current Months Trading: October; November; February Exercise/Position Limits: 3,000 Exercise/Strike Prices: 30; 35; 40 Keystone International Inc. Stock Symbol: KII Expiration Cycle: March Current Months Trading: October; December; March Exercise/Position Limits: 3,000 Exercise/Strike Prices: 22 1/2; 25; 30

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Cumulus Corp., for the past three years, a leader in supplying PC enhancement products to the U.S. market and recently adding full systems to its product line, today announced a major expansion of its sales and marketing operations.

Spearheading the company's aggressive expansion plans is Marty Alpert, founder and chief executive officer of the Cleveland-based firm.

Alpert announced that he had hired Kathy Juve to the new position of vice president, sales. Formerly with CMS Enhancements Inc. in Tustin, Calif., Juve's responsibilities will involve widening Cumulus' channel network and thus increasing market penetration for its more than 175 products which enhance memory and data storage capacities in most personal computers.

"Operationally, we've enjoyed tremendous success," Alpert said, adding that the company's philosophy of offering high-quality, reliable products at competitive prices through reputable dealers and distributors has paid off.

"Most businesses, large or small, should not be subjected to the risks of mail-order purchasing when buying PC products," Alpert added. "We are committed to offering them the price advantage of mail order along with the security that comes with buying from a reputable reseller and service center."

While Juve and a growing staff of marketing experts are being added to the PC enhancement products division, Alpert said he is also focusing on the future by building the systems side of the business.

Cumulus last week announced a high-performance, low-cost PC -- the GLC/CO -- designed to make it easy for large corporations and small to medium-sized businesses to acquire maximum computing power along with the service and support they need at mail-order prices.

The 386SX-based systems, ranging from $1,195 to $1,895, are being sold with Microsoft's DOS 4.01, Windows 3.0 and Works; a one year parts and labor

warranty and 24-hour parts replacement program through a network of authorized dealers.

The PC enhancement products include floppy disk subsystems for PS/2 and PC-AT compatibles; memory products for IBM, Compaq, Apple, Hewlett-Packard and AST computers; removable fixed disk subsystems for portable and desktop PCs, and microprocessor upgrade products for IBM and Compaq computers.

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BEAVERTON, ORE. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - NIKE Inc. (NASDAQ: NIKE) shareholders, voting at NIKE's annual shareholders' meeting held Sept. 17, approved a three-fold increase in the number of authorized Class A and Class B Common shares. The increase in authorized shares was necessary in order to execute a two-for-one stock split in the form of a 100 percent stock dividend which was previously approved by the board of directors in June 1990.

Commenting on the results of the vote, NIKE Chairman Philip H. Knight said, "We believe this stock split will benefit our current and future shareholders by making the stock more accessible to individual investors and improving the stock's liquidity."

The stock dividend will be distributed on Oct. 5 and the stock will trade ex-dividend on Oct. 9, at which time the effect of the split will be reflected in the stock price.

In other business, NIKE's board of directors announced the intention to apply for listing the company's Class B Common Stock on the Pacific Stock Exchange. Such listing would occur simultaneously with the company's listing on the New York Stock Exchange, which is currently expected to occur in late October.

NIKE Inc., based in Beaverton, is the world's leading designer and marketer of performance athletic footwear, apparel and accessories. The company also markets a line of classic styled dress and casual footwear under the COLE HAAN brand name. Net income for the first quarter ended Aug. 31 increased 31 percent to $99.7 million or $2.62 per share on a 38 percent increase in revenues to $834 million. Worldwide revenues for the 12-month period ended Aug. 31 totaled $2.5 billion.

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ELK GROVE VILLAGE, ILL. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - AAR Corp. (NYSE: AIR) today announced that for the company's first quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 net income was $6,697,000 or 42 cents per share, compared to $6,570,000 or 41 cents per share the prior year. Net sales rose to $116,091,000 from $108,635,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. The number of average shares outstanding increased to 16,084,000 from 16,018,000 year over year.

Net income for the period included an after-tax gain of $1,600,000 from the sale of a residual interest in a leased aircraft owned by the company.

Ira A. Eichner, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of AAR, commenting on the first quarter, said "These results were attained in a softer industry environment caused by the current economic uncertainties affecting our customers, in particular fuel prices. These market conditions appear to have created caution in discretionary purchases by airlines."

AAR Corp., is a leading supplier of aerospace/aviation products and services. The company primarily distributes parts and equipment, performs technical services and manufacturers proprietary products for the aviation industry in the United States and abroad.

AAR CORPORATION FIRST QUARTER EARNINGS
(In thousands except per share data) Three months

ended Aug. 31,	1990	1989
Net sales	$116,091	$108,635
Operating income	12,597	12,220
Pretax income	10,097	9,820
Net income	6,697	6,570
Earnings per share	.42	.41
Average shares outstanding	16,084	16,018

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Apple Bancorp (NYSE: APK) announced that its chairman and chief executive officer, Jerome R. McDougal, today responded to Stanley Stahl's letter of Sept. 18, 1990. In the letter, McDougal stated:

"The situation, as it now stands, is very clear. Apple Bancorp's board of directors cleared the way for you to purchase all tendered shares at your $38 price, and took all necessary actions that permitted you to do so before shareholders are required to vote at the annual meeting.

"Your response, had you chosen to do so, could have been equally clear and unambiguous. You could have stated, without equivocation, that you would buy

all tendered shares when your offer expires at midnight on Oct. 1.

"Instead, you reacted exactly as we suspected you would. "First, and most telling, is your opposition to the brief delay in the annual meeting. If you truly intend to complete your offer at the earliest possible time, the date of the annual meeting is utterly irrelevant. Put simply, all you have to do is buy the shares and the ball game is over. This entire situation can be brought to conclusion at 12:01 a.m. on Oct. 2.

"Why is it that you absolutely insist that our shareholders vote in the election before you commit to buy their shares?

"Second, to our amazement, you now appear to have conditioned your offer on your satisfaction with the confidential information furnished to you. I'm sure that our shareholders and the marketplace must be very disturbed to learn for the first time that your willingness to complete your offer is about to become subject to a 'due diligence'-type condition.

"We can only speculate on what other new conditions you might seek to impose if you gain control of the board.

"Finally, you have cited the escrowing of funds which the company is legally and contractually obligated to pay as yet another condition to your offer. I have no doubt that you and your advisors know that this is a manufactured issue which has no bearing whatsoever on your ability to complete your tender offer should you choose to do so.

"Yesterday, a New York newspaper ran a headline 'Apple Calls Stahl's Bluff.' If this is an apt characterization, it appears that you are searching for reasons to leave the table. You can put to rest what I perceive as increasing speculation as to whether you will complete your offer for at least $38 per share. If you are prepared to buy the shares, just say so."

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WALTHAM, MA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Cabot Corporation (NYSE: CBT) announced today that the company agreed to purchase 100,000 Cabot Corporation common shares in a privately negotiated transaction for $25.75 per share from the estate of Eleanor C. Bradley. In addition, certain members of senior management and Cabot's board of directors agreed to purchase a total of 55,000 shares of Cabot common stock, also from the estate, at the same price. Mrs. Bradley was a daughter of the company's founder, Godfrey L. Cabot.

Cabot Corporation is a Fortune 300 company, headquartered in Waltham, Mass,.

and with operations in Specialty Chemicals and Materials, and Energy.

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EAST CHICAGO, IN (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Inland Steel Co., a subsidiary of Chicago-based Inland Steel Industries, Inc. (NYSE: IAD), today announced it has sold the assets and limestone-dolomite reserves of its Inland Lime and Stone Co. Division in Gulliver, Mich., to Pfizer Specialty Minerals Inc., a subsidiary of Pfizer Inc. (NYSE: PFE).

The purchase price was not revealed. Pfizer said it is studying the facility, currently shut down, in the context of a capital improvement program and currently plans to initiate operations at the Gulliver site in 1992.

Inland said it plans to purchase stone from the Gulliver operations when production resumes. Operations at Inland Lime and Stone Co. were shut down in December 1989. Inland acquired the property in 1928 and began operating the newly built facility in 1930.

Robert J. Darnall, president and chief operating officer of Inland Steel Industries and president of Inland Steel Co., said, "The sale of Inland Lime and Stone Co. reflects management's policy of divesting nonstrategic operations."

Walter Nazarewicz, president of Pfizer Specialty Minerals, said, "This acquisition will fit nicely with increased raw material requirements resulting from the success of our satellite precipitated calcium carbonate (PCC) program."

Under the PCC program, satellite plants are built at or adjacent to papermills to produce high-quality precipitated calcium carbonate, which is piped directly to the mills in slurry form for use as a paper filler or coating pigment.

In addition to steelmaking, limestone is used in the manufacture of chemical-grade lime, glass, and other industrial products. Pfizer Specialty Minerals produces specialty-grade limestone at facilities in Connecticut, Massachusetts and California.

Pfizer Inc. is a worldwide research-based company headquartered in New York, with businesses in health care, animal health, consumer products, specialty chemicals and specialty minerals.

Inland Steel industries, Inc., is a holding company whose principal activities are conducted by wholly owned subsidiaries and centered in two core business

segments: integrated steel operations and steel service center operations. It is the parent company of the nation's fourth largest steel producer, Inland Steel Co., and two general line service center organizations, Joseph T. Ryerson & Son, Inc., and J.M. Tull Metals Co., Inc.

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NEW YORK, Sept. 19 /PRNewswire/ -- The board of directors of Capital Cities/ABC, Inc. today declared a cash dividend of 5 cents per share on Capital Cities/ABC common stock, payable Oct. 22, 1990 to holders of record on Oct. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: Joseph Fitzgerald of Capital Cities/ABC, 212-456-7008

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BOSTON (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - CIM High Yield Securities (AMEX: CIM) today announced the payment of a $.07 per share dividend, payable on Oct. 8, 1990, to shareholders or record as of Sept. 28, 1990.

CONTACT: Jay S. Neuman, 617-722-3807, or Kathleen O'Neill, 617-722-3863, both of CIM High Yield Securities

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RICHMOND, VA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of United Dominion Realty Trust (NYSE: UDR), a Richmond, Virginia, based REIT, has declared a third quarter 1990 dividend in the amount of $.31 per share. This dividend is payable on October 31, 1990, to all shareholders of record as of October 12, 1990.

United Dominion is a self-administered equity real estate investment trust that owns primarily apartments and also shopping centers within the Southeast, from Virginia to Georgia. The Trust has paid quarterly dividends continuously since 1973, its first full year of operations. Its common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "UDR."

CONTACT: Christine L. Johnson, Shareholder Relations, United Dominion Realty Trust, 804-780-2691

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BURBANK, CA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Summit Health Ltd. (NASDAQ: SUMH) announced that earnings from operations for the year ended June 30, 1990, increased to $7.7 million from $1.2 million in 1989. The company also reported pre-tax loss provisions for legal settlements and loss on the sale of assets of $3.5 million, compared to a loss provision of $15.5 million in 1989. This resulted in the company reporting net earnings of $2.4 million, or $.08 per share in fiscal 1990, compared to a net loss of $8.4 million, or $.27 per share loss in fiscal 1989.

For the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, earnings from operations before the provision for losses were $1.6 million compared to an operational loss of $1.1 million for the fourth quarter of 1989.

Summit Health Ltd. is an investor-owned health care company operating 12 hospitals with a total of 1,649 licensed beds. Summit's 17 long-term care centers and four retirement centers have 2,699 licensed beds. Summit also operates 15 medical office buildings, two hemodialysis centers, a durable medical equipment company and four substance abuse centers.

CONTACT: Don Amaral, President and COO, or Randolph Speer, Sr. VP and CFO, of Summit Health Ltd., 818-841-8750

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Sedgwick James Inc. and Crawford & Co. (NYSE: CRDA CRDB) announced today that they have entered into an agreement in principle whereby Crawford & Co. will acquire the business of the FPE Group, a subsidiary that specializes in loss control and fire protection engineering services.

The transaction is expected to be completed by Oct. 31. Forrest L. Minix, chairman and chief executive officer of Crawford & Co., said that the acquisition would help the company build and strengthen its existing risk control business. "Since one of Crawford & Company's specialties is providing professional risk control services, the FPE Group will be a 'natural fit' in our organization."

Speaking for Sedgwick James, Quill O. Healey, president and chief operating officer, pointed out that the technical expertise of FPE will continue to be drawn upon as required by Sedgwick James clients. "We believe that it is in our client's and company's best interest that in some instances certain highly technical, loss control specialties be purchased from independent firms. Thus, we look forward to an ongoing business relationship with FPE as part of Crawford & Company," he said.

The FPE Group, with 72 employees, is based in Lafayette, Calif., and also has offices in Naperville, Ill.; Plainsboro, N.J.; Springfield, Mo.; Torrance,

Calif.; and Wichita, Kan.

Sedgwick James is part of the London-based Sedgwick Group, the world's third-largest provider of insurance broking and risk services. Crawford & Co. is a diversified service firm that provides claims management, risk management, risk control and health care management services to insurance companies, corporations and self-insured entities.

CONTACT: Donald R. Chapman of Crawford & Company, 404-256-0830, or Emily Trenholm of Sedgwick James, 212-333-8958

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HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler minivans, which account for nearly one-half of U.S. minivan segment sales, have been redesigned inside and out for 1991. The new minivan models were showcased today, Wednesday, Sept. 19, as Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) unveiled its 1991 product lineup and the advertising that will be used to support it.

With major interior and exterior refinements, plus significant engineering upgrades, the Dodge Caravan and Caravan C/V, Plymouth Voyager and Chrysler Town & Country models are more than ready to face import and domestic competitors pushing the outer limits of design in an effort to play catch-up, Chrysler Motors President Robert A. Lutz said.

The minivans, as well as other major product actions for 1991, mark the first evidence of the $15.6 billion five-year new product program at Chrysler designed to provide "plenty of steak and sizzle," added Lutz.

"Voyager and Caravan were the best to begin with, and now they're even better. We kept the basic, functional design of our minivan -- no spaceships, no inverted bathtubs -- because that's what our more than 2 million minivan customers told us to do.

"When 2 million people talk, we listen!" In addition to the exterior and interior redesigns, all-wheel drive versions of the minivans will be available for the first time, as will a 4-wheel anti-lock brake option.

Other major product actions for 1991 include new low-priced versions of the popular Dodge Shadow and Plymouth Sundance -- called the "America" models; new Dodge Stealth sports car; Dodge Spirit R/T model with Chrysler's first multi-valve engine; and a convertible version of the Dodge Shadow.

Among trucks actions, a new Jeep Renegade model makes its debut, and Dodge Dakota gets a 4-wheel drive Club Cab model as a mid-year change.

In addition to the 2.2-liter dual overhead cam multi-valve engine in the

Spirit R/T, other major powertrain refinements include a new 3.8-liter V-6 engine available in mid-year as standard powerplant on Chrysler Imperial models and optional on Chrysler Fifth Avenue, New Yorker Salon, and Dodge Dynasty LE; and a 2.5-liter "high torque" turbocharged engine available on Dodge Spirit ES, Shadow and Daytona, and Chrysler LeBaron convertible.

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LONDON (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Reuters Limited today announced it has acquired Uplink Limited, a specialized satellite service operator (SSSO) company licensed by the United Kingdom to provide from the U.K. one-way point to multi-point satellite services of all kinds within Europe.

Uplink Limited was previously owned by the Business Television Corporation Limited, United Artists International Limited, UK Consumer Electronics Limited (part of the Granada Group), Swedtel Limited and Burpham Investments Ltd. It was awarded one of seven SSSO licenses issued by the U.K. government in October 1988.

One of its early clients was BrightStar, the television communications subsidiary of Visnews Limited, which is 51 percent owned by Reuters Limited, the U.K.-based trading company of Reuters Holdings PLC (NASDAQ: RTRSY).

Reuters and BrightStar intend to build on the business started by Uplink, anticipating growth in the television broadcast transmission field in which BrightStar is a leader.

Reuters already distributes some of its financial data services in Europe by satellite having established Europe's first point to multi- point network in 1987 with British Telecom International providing the transmission facilities.

The sum paid by Reuters for Uplink Limited was significantly less than half of one percent of Reuter shareholders' equity as of Dec. 31, 1989.

Reuters Holdings PLC (NASDAQ: RTRSY) supplies the global business community and news media with a wide range of facilities including real- time financial data and transaction services, access to numeric and textual historical databases, news and news pictures. Reuters has a controlling interest in Visnews, the international television news agency, and Reuter Group companies design and install trading room systems. Reuters obtains information from around 160 exchanges and over-the-counter markets and from a network of some 1,310 journalists, photographers and cameramen. Reuters distributes information through approximately 200,000 video terminals and teleprinters. This includes information directly transmitted to clients' computers.

CONTACT: Robert A. Crooke of Reuters America, 212-603-3587; or John Milman of BrightStar, in the U.K., 011-4481-453-4389

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#90262p5926 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - General Development Corporation (NYSE: GDV) announced today it has hired The Palmieri Company to work with the company, its bankruptcy counsel, and its creditors in developing a plan of reorganization for the company.

Palmieri specializes in corporate crisis management. Peter A. Martosella Jr., a managing director of Palmieri, will direct the Palmieri team in the consulting effort which will begin by analyzing GDC's operations and cash flow in preparation for the development of a business plan and organizational restructuring. In addition to Palmieri's responsibilities in the planning process, their personnel will communicate and work with General Development's creditors and other constituencies in its bankruptcy proceedings.

Palmieri offers significant experience in complex Chapter 11 cases, including the Penn Central and Baldwin-United cases. At Penn Central, they transformed The Pennsylvania Company (a wholly owned subsidiary of Penn Central) and its operating companies into a profitable and growing concern which served as the foundation of the reorganized Penn Central Corporation. At Baldwin-United Corporation, Palmieri provided executive management through one of the largest and most complex reorganizations in American business history. Palmieri has considerable experience in real estate management, having served as court appointed trustee and manager of Levitt & Sons, Inc., at the time the largest diversified homebuilder in the United States. Palmieri also has considerable experience in the management of large real estate portfolios, including a portfolio of real estate assets in excess of $1 billion for Penn Central; approximately $900 million for the Teamsters Central States, Southeast and Southwest Areas Pension Fund as ordered by the U.S. Department of Labor and the IRS; and over $250 million of diversified real estate properties and loans acquired by Palmieri through syndicated limited partnerships.

Most recently, Victor Palmieri, chairman of Palmieri, was appointed Trustee of Colorado-UTE Electric Association, a utility cooperative currently undergoing Chapter 11 reorganization.

General Development President and Chief Executive Officer Thomas J. Hutchison said, "This is a major step in our effort to reorganize and become financially sound. The Palmieri Company's expertise will prove vital in our goal of emerging as a successful company in the future."

CONTACT: Nelly Medel of General Development Corporation, 305-859-4256.

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#90262p5928 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Time Warner Inc. (NYSE: TWX) has established a new entity, Time Warner Publishing Inc., which includes The Time Inc. Magazine Company and The Time Inc. Book Company.

Named as chairman of Time Warner Publishing Inc. is Reginald K. Brack Jr., chairman, president and chief executive officer of The Time Inc. Magazine Company, a position he will continue to hold in addition to his new responsibilities.

Kelso Sutton, chairman and president of The Time Inc. Book Company, retains that title, and will now report to Brack. The Time Inc. Book Company consists of Little, Brown; Warner Books; Time-Life Books and Book-of-the-Month Club.

The role and authority of the editor-in-chief of Time Warner Inc., Jason McManus, remains unchanged in this restructuring, which does not affect the editorial operations of the company.

Announcement of the creation of Time Warner Publishing Inc. and Brack's appointment was made today by N.J. Nicholas Jr., president and co-CEO of Time Warner Inc.

Brack, 53, is no stranger to book publishing. He had been CEO of Time Inc.'s Books Group in 1984-86 and simultaneously was chairman, president and CEO of Time-Life Books Inc. in 1982-86.

Time Warner Inc. is the leading media and entertainment company with operations in magazine and book publishing; filmed entertainment; television and pay-TV programming; cable television and recorded music and music publishing.

CONTACT: Louis J. Slovinsky of Time Warner, 212-484-6614; or Peter Costiglio, 212-522-3927, for Time Warner

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#90262p5929 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - A unique employee training program operated jointly by the United Auto Workers union and Ford Motor Co. (NYSE: F) was cited by the U.S. Labor Department today in Washington, D.C. for innovative and effective efforts to upgrade the skills of the American workforce.

U.S. Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole presented the department's LIFT (Labor Investing for Tomorrow) America Award to UAW Vice President Ernest Lofton and Ford Vice President Elliott Hall in formal ceremonies held in the Labor Department's Great Hall.

The UAW-Ford program was among 16 business and public organizations to receive LIFT America awards, a program established by Secretary Dole earlier this year. The program recognizes employers, labor organizations, and community educational and other groups for "outstanding achievement in designing and managing exemplary programs, or for contributing to the success of programs that mobilize communities to encourage labor investing for tomorrow."

The UAW-Ford National Education, Development and Training Center, Dearborn, Mich., provides comprehensive training and education curriculum for UAW-represented Ford employees in over 50 locations in 13 states.

Among the varied programs offered by the center, two were highlighted for the LIFT America Awards. Specifically, the Skills Enhancement Program which provides employees with the opportunity to pursue higher levels of education in order to develop new skills and sharpen existing skills, and the Life/Education Planning Program which assists employees in mapping and obtaining education, training or personal development goals.

Over 60,000 Ford employees have voluntarily participated in these self-paced, self-directed programs since their inception in 1982. Currently, over 380 employees have received a high school diploma and 950 have received high school credit, while approximately 700 employees are currently pursuing post-secondary education.

LIFT Awards were presented today in four categories: Employee Training Programs (which included the UAW-Ford program); Business-School Partnerships; School-to-Work Programs; and Employee Worklife Programs.

"At a time when the United States is competing in an increasingly complex global market, the basic skills of the American workforce are eroding at an alarming rate," Secretary Dole said.

"We are honoring these programs to encourage the discovery and application of creative, community-based solutions to address the ever- growing workforce crisis. These LIFT America Awards honor some of those who are making a difference in our efforts to bridge the skills gap."

Others receiving LIFT America Awards included: Partners in Education, Cincinnati; Shell Oil Co., Houston; Building Futures in Industry and Trades, Portland, Ore.; Yellowstone Contractors Association/Billings Career Center, Billings, Mont., all honored in the Business-School Partnerships category.

In the School-to-Work Programs category, those honored included: Jobs for America's Graduates, Alexandria, Va.; Children's Hospital/English High School Collaborative, Boston; and Career Ladder Programs, San Francisco.

In addition to the UAW-Ford program, others honored in the Employee Training Programs category were: Alliance for Employee Growth and Development,

Somerset, N.J.; Polaroid/InnerCity, Inc., Roxbury, Mass.; San Antonio Housing Authority, San Antonio, Texas; Vermont Heating and Venting Co., Inc., Colchester, Vt.; and Plumley Companies, Inc., Paris, Tenn.

Those honored in the Employee Worklife Programs category were: Thomas J. Lipton Co., Englewood Cliffs, N.J.; Monsanto Co., St. Louis, Mo.; and IBM Corp., Armonk, N.Y.

CONTACT: John D. Mellott or Brad Mitchell of the Office of the Secretary of Labor, 312-353-6976, or after hours, (Mellott) 708-839-2130, or (Mitchell) 708-343-5305.

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#90262p5932 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Petroleum Services International (WPSI), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Western Company of North America (NYSE: WSN), has signed a contract in Singapore to construct a 308-foot (93m) well stimulation vessel for operation in the North Sea oil fields of the United Kingdom, Norway, Denmark and The Netherlands. The dynamically positioned vessel, expected to cost approximately $43 million U.S. will be fabricated in Singapore by Singmarine Dockyard and Engineering PTE, Limited, a unit of the Keppel Corporation Limited, whose shipbuilding and offshore construction subsidiaries include Far East Levingston Shipbuilding Limited. The vessel is designed by Maritime Engineering, a leading designer of vessels and offshore drilling rigs. Western expects the vessel to be fully operational in the spring of 1992.

The new vessel, to be christened the "Western Renaissance," will become the largest stimulation vessel operating in the North Sea, according to Ed Will, president of WPSI. "The stimulation plant's independently powered high-pressure pumping units are designed for maximum reliability. The units' total available hydraulic horsepower allows for extended pumping operations at elevated pressures and injection rates."

The Western Company of North America, including its subsidiaries (Western Petroleum Services, Western Petroleum Services International and Western Oceanic, Inc.), is an oilfield service company providing pressure pumping and contract drilling services worldwide. Pressure pumping principally involves the acidizing, fracturing and cementing of oil and gas wells. Offshore contract drilling services are provided with a fleet of 13 mobile rigs.

CONTACT: Edward E. Will, 713-629-2600, or George Hogarty, 713-629-2840, both of Western Petroleum Services International

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TULSA, OKLA. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Kinark Corportion (AMEX, PSE: KIN) announced today that its board of directors has terminated its shareholder rights plan and has ordered the redemption of all outstanding common stock purchase rights issued pursuant to this plan and held by shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 15, 1990, at a price of $.01 per right payable in cash on Nov. 1, 1990.

Kinark co-chief executive officer, Paul Chastain said of the action, "the board has concluded that continuation of the plan is contrary to the desires and best interests of the company's shareholders." As a result, the board has terminated the rights and the holders of such rights are entitled to receive the redemption price of $.01 per right in accordance with the plan terms. In addition, after Sept. 12, 1990, each share of common stock of Kinark issued or distributed from treasury by Kinark will no longer receive a dividend of one right.

Kinark Corporation, with corporate headquarters in Tulsa, operates chemical facilities in Chicago and Montgomery, Ala., and supports industrial/commercial construction and metals corrosion protection with galvanizing plants in Denver Louisville, Nashville, St. Louis, Houston and Hurst, Texas.

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#90262p5941 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHANTILLY, VA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Fairchild Industries Inc. (NYSE: FEN PrA) today declared a cash dividend of 90 cents per share on the company's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock payable Oct. 17, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 3.

Fairchild Industries is a subsidiary of Banner Industries Inc. (NYSE: BNR) and has operating divisions in aerospace fasteners, tooling for plastics and communications services. The company's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (FEN PrA).

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#90262p5945 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - James Haas has been named the new chairman of Edgcomb Metals Co., it was announced today.

Haas had been president and chief executive officer of Edgcomb prior to its merger on Sept. 14 with Sollac, the flat-rolled carbon steel and tin-mill products subsidiary of Usinor Sacilor.

Bernard Serin is to succeed Haas as president and chief executive officer of Edgcomb. Serin most recently had been assistant vice president of commercial (corporate) and vice president of marketing of Sollac's flat-rolled division of Unisor Sacilor. Prior to that he was both president and chief executive officer of Cisatol, the French steel service center subsidiary of Sollac and the works managing director of Florage Works of Sollac.

Before joining Edgcomb, Haas was president and chief operating officer of National Intergroup Co., parent of National Steel Corp.

Directly or through its parent, Sollac also owns two other metal service centers in the United States: Interstate Steel Co. and Metron Steel Corp.

Edgcomb Metals Co. had sales of more than $600 million for 1989. Edgcomb operates 18 service centers in most states east of the Mississippi. Edgcomb processes and distributes a full line of carbon and stainless steel as well as aluminum.

CONTACT: Frederick Beilstein III, executive vice president and chief financial officer of Edcomb Corp., 215-345-3392

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#90262p5952 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - NaTec Resources, Inc. (NASDAQ: NATC) today announced it has made a proposal to acquire Advance Ross Corporation (NASDAQ: AROS) in a stock-for-stock merger. It is expected that, pursuant to the proposed transaction, Advance Ross shareholders would receive, in a tax-free exchange, sufficient shares of NaTec to represent a substantial premium to the recent trading price of Advance Ross. Advance Ross is NaTec's second largest shareholder, holding approximately 13.7 percent of NaTec's outstanding shares. NaTec has offered to construct a floating exchange rate to assure a premium to Advance Ross shareholders at various stock prices of NaTec. NaTec initially proposed an exchange ratio subject to due diligence which could be expected to represent over a 20 percent premium over the recent trading levels of Advance Ross common stock. In its most recent letter, NaTec has indicated that if given the opportunity to evaluate Advance Ross businesses, it would consider a higher valuation to reflect any additional source of value.

The proposal is subject to due diligence, negotiation of the terms of the transaction and definitive documentation, approval by the respective boards of directors and shareholders of both companies, and the absence of any material change in the financial condition or the cash and temporary investments position of Advance Ross. Merrill Lynch Capital Markets is representing NaTec and its major shareholder, CRSS Inc., in connection with this proposal.

NaTec is committed to the control of pollutants commonly associated with acid

rain. The company provides consulting engineering, injection system installation, operations and maintenance services, and processed sorbent supply. Primary markets are utility, industrial power generation, pulp and paper, refining and municipal solid waste.

CONTACT: Glenn Hobratschk of NaTec, 713-552-2156

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#90262p5953 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANTON, OHIO (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Timken Company (NYSE: TKR) announced today that $40 million will be spent on a Universal Forging Facility at its wholly owned subsidiary, the Latrobe Steel Company in Latrobe, Pa. The project is part of the company's previously announced $1 billion, five-year capital investment program.

"This investment will increase our capability across all our Latrobe product lines to supply specialty steels and alloys with quality characteristics unequalled in the industry," explained Joseph F. Toot, Jr., president, in making the announcement. "The Universal Forging Facility, along with other projects recently brought on stream to target the current and future needs of the market, will assure our ability to meet our customers' specifications and delivery demands. At the same time, we will maximize the use of our capital investment dollars and realize greater manufacturing efficiencies.

"Along with our acquisition of MPB Corporation earlier this year," Toot said, "this investment represents our commitment to expand our core bearing and steel businesses by pursuing the higher-performance spectrum in both the specialty steel and bearing markets. We see these areas as providing long-term profit opportunities and intend to capitalize on those markets that require materials and components for the most technically demanding applications." MPB is a precision bearing manufacturer while Latrobe Steel Company is a major supplier of specialty steel products to the aerospace, high-performance bearing and other critical application markets.

C. Philip Weigel, president of Latrobe Steel Company, said that the 53,000-square-foot facility is being built for the production of low-cost, high-quality billet and bar products. "It will add significantly to Latrobe's forging and rolling capability in the larger sizes required by our customers. Through a combination of the latest technology and significantly reduced operating costs, Latrobe Steel will enjoy a competitive advantage in the markets it serves."

The facility, which will replace existing, less-efficient equipment and increase capacity, has been designed to optimize the reduction of ingots to bars and billets and is particularly well-suited for low- volume exotic alloy applications that are Latrobe Steel Company's hallmark. The radial forging machine to be installed in the facility will provide excellent size control.

The facility, which incorporates advanced computer controls to help streamline the process, will be operated by skilled technicians.

CONTACT: Jim Mulder of The Timken Company, 216-438-3570

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#90262p5955 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLENWOOD, ILL. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Tech/Ops Landauer, Inc. (AMEX: TO) declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.20 per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990. The dividend will be paid on Oct. 16, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 1.

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#90262p5961 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - American Filtrona Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: AFIL) today announced the election of Bernard C. Wampler to its Board of Directors. Mr. Wampler is President and Chief Executive Officer of Pulaski Furniture Corporation. He also serves as Chairman of the Board of Virginia Manufacturers Association, Chairman of the Atlanta Merchandise Mart and is a director of Sovran Bank, N.A.

CONTACT: John L. Morgan or John D. Barlow, Jr., American Filtrona Corporation, 804-346-2400

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#90262p5962 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Lubrizol Corporation (NYSE: LZ) announced today that the Federal Court of Canada ruled that one of Lubrizol's important patents is valid and was infringed by Exxon's Canadian affiliate. The suit was brought by The Lubrizol Corporation and its Canadian subsidiary, Lubrizol Canada Limited, against a Canadian affiliate of Exxon Corporation, Imperial Oil Limited, and its subdivision, Paramins.

The patent covers additives that are essential to the performance of high quality lubricants for gasoline and diesel engines, and also covers finished lubricants which utilize the additives. The Court permanently enjoined Exxon's Canadian affiliate from making, using and selling some 20 specified additives as well as the finished lubricants containing them. A temporary injunction on one of these additives had been in effect since January, 1989.

The Court also ruled that Lubrizol is entitled to a monetary recovery for past infringement, the amount of which will be decided at an undetermined future date by a referee appointed by the Court. The Court also ordered the payment

of Lubrizol's attorneys fees and costs incurred in the suit as well as Lubrizol's expenses of its expert witnesses.

Trial of the infringement suit commenced in Toronto May 7, 1990 and concluded June 29, 1990 before Mr. Justice Cullen.

The Canadian patent is one of the international sister patents of a Lubrizol U.S. patent involved in an earlier suit in the U.S. Federal Court. That suit was settled with a Court order in 1988, under which Exxon admitted the validity of all Lubrizol patents involved in the case and paid Lubrizol $80 million in cash and $6 million in materials. Lubrizol has brought similar infringement suits in France and UK, and those suits are pending.

Lubrizol is a specialty chemical company using chemical, mechanical and biological technologies to develop products for world markets in transportation, industry and agriculture.

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#90262p5964 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - James R. Thomas II, president of Charleston Renaissance Corp. and former chairman and chief executive officer of Carbon Industries Inc., has been elected a director of The Columbia Gas System Inc. (NYSE: CG), Columbia Gas chairman and chief executive officer John H. Croom announced today.

With headquarters in Charleston, W. Va., the Charleston Renaissance Corp. is a public/private partnership organized to revitalize the business and commercial core of West Virginia's capital city. Thomas, 64, has been chairman of Charleston Renaissance since it was founded in 1983.

As chairman, president and chief executive officer of Carbon Industries Inc., from 1974 to 1983, Thomas led one of West Virginia's principal coal producing companies. He Joined Carbon Industries in 1953.

The election of Thomas increases the Columbia Gas board to 16 members. Thomas is president of the Carbon Fuel Foundation; a member of the board of directors of One Valley Bank, N.A.; chairman of the board of West Virginia Wesleyan College, and vice chairman of the board of Camcare Inc. He is a member of the West Virginia Roundtable and serves on the boards of the West Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges, Healthnet Inc., and Strategic Ventures Inc.

The Columbia Gas System is one of the nation's largest natural gas systems. Subsidiary companies are engaged in the exploration, production, purchase,

storage, transmission, and distribution of natural gas. Columbia's transmission, storage and distribution facilities serve, directly or indirectly, more than 8 million customers in 14 states and the District of Columbia.

CONTACT: W.R. McLaughlin of Columbia Gas, 302-429-5443

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#90262p5966 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Pennsylvania's $100 million general obligation bond anticipation notes, First Series 1990A, to be issued as commercial paper, are rated "F-1+" by Fitch. The notes are being issued this week.

The faith and credit of the commonwealth provides strong security for the notes. Long-term general obligation bonds, which will ultimately be issued to fund the notes, are rated "AA-" and Pennsylvania is a frequent borrower, accepted in the market. A revolving credit agreement with Daiwa Bank gives liquidity protection against problems which might surface in the commercial paper market.

This program is separate from the commercial paper which finances operating needs. The operating program, $495 million in principal amount, is not a general obligation and is protected by a different liquidity facility.

CONTACT: Claire G. Cohen of Fitch, 212-908-0552

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#90262p5969 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - ULTIMAP International Corporation (NASDAQ: UMAP) today reported that the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners approved the sale to ULTIMAP of the county's entire interest in the trademark "UltiMap," and in the software underlying the existing software licensing agreement.

Under the terms of the agreement, ULTIMAP International Corporation will pay the county $2 million, consisting of $1.4 million cash, a secured promissory note for $600,000 and 10 percent of pretax profits for a period of five years, not to exceed an additional $2 million. ULTIMAP has also granted the county common stock purchase warrants for 500,000 shares at $4 per share expiring 78 months from closing.

This agreement eliminated all ongoing royalty payments previously due under the exclusive software licensing agreement.

ULTIMAP International Corporation's stock is traded nationally over-

the-counter under the symbol "UMAP."

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#90262p5973 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Staffing of Consolidated Rail Corp.'s (NYSE: CRR) State and Local Affairs offices in Indianapolis and Dearborn, Mich., has been completed.

Gery M. Williams Jr., vice president-State and Local Affairs, has announced the appointments of Michael S. Scime and Maria F. Ward as managers-community relations with responsibility for Conrail's relationships with local government units along the railroad's lines in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Ohio.

Both report to Michael K. Rogers, who had previously been appointed executive director-Midwest State and Local Affairs. Rogers, a former member of the Indiana House (1966-72) and Senate (1981-88), holds a bachelor of arts degree in radio and television from Indiana University and a master of arts in journalism from Ball State University, Muncie, Ind.

Scime, based in Indianapolis, is responsible for portions of Illinois, Indiana and Ohio. This includes the Bloomington, Champaign, Danville, East St. Louis Effingham, Peoria, Urbana and Vandalia areas of Illinois; the Anderson, Columbus, Indianapolis, Evansville, Frankfort, Jeffersonville, Logansport, Marion, Muncie and Terre Haute areas of Indiana; and the Cincinnati, Columbus, Dayton, Galion, Marion, Middletown and Springfield areas of Ohio.

Scime was most recently chief of the railroad division of the Indiana Department of Transportation. He holds a bachelor of arts from Canisius College, Buffalo, N.Y., and a master of public affairs from the Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs, Bloomington, Ind.

Ward, based in Dearborn, is responsible for other areas of Illinois, Indiana and Ohio as well as Michigan. This includes the Chicago area in Illinois; the Gary, Elkhart, Fort Wayne, Hammond, South Bend and Valparaiso areas of Indiana; the Akron, Ashtabula, Bucyrus, Canton, Cleveland, Lima, Mansfield, Sandusky, Toledo, Warren and Youngstown areas of Ohio; and all of Michigan, including the Ann Arbor, Battle Creek, Detroit, Grand Rapids, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Lansing, Monroe and Trenton areas.

Ward was previously assistant city administrator of Southfield, Mich. She holds a bachelor of arts in political science and a master of arts in urban affairs and public administration from the University of Detroit.

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WASHINGTON (Sept. 19) PR Newswire - Administrator Richard G. Austin of the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) announced the award of two telephone equipment and services contracts valued at $9,470,418 to Communications Resource Group, Inc., a woman-owned small business of Columbia, Md.

The contracts were awarded under the set-aside program in which suitable government purchases are reserved for competitive award to small business concerns. Cathy S. Young is chairman of Communications Resource Group, Inc.

Austin said the contracts are part of the Purchase of Telephones and Services (POTS) program of GSA's Information Resources Management Service. They provide federal agencies in New York and New Jersey a fully-competed, non-mandatory source of supply for PBX's, integrated voice/data terminals, telecommunications devices for the deaf, migration to Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN), single-line video display phones, automatic call distributors and automatic dialers. They also offer more than 300 standard telecommunications equipment items and such follow-on services as maintenance, installation, moves and deinstallation of embedded cable.

Both contracts are for three years and include two one-year renewal options. One, with an estimated worth of $5,274,319 for the five-year period, will serve federal offices in New York State, excluding New York City. The second, valued at $4,196,099, will serve New Jersey. Service in New York City will be provided under a separate procurement.

Austin said procurements are underway to replace all existing POTS contracts nationwide. All are targeted for award by the close of fiscal year 1991.

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PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - National Steel Corp., Dofasco Inc. of Canada and NKK Corp. of Japan announced today that they have reached an agreement to build a new $200 million joint venture continuous galvanizing line (CGL) to serve North American automakers.

A new limited partnership, DNN Galvanizing Corp., has been formed to oversee construction and operation of the new facility. National Steel will be a 10 percent equity owner of the facility, Dofasco will be a 50 percent owner and NKK will own the remaining 40 percent. Ben J. Ciprietti, vice

president-planning of Dofasco, has been named president of the new firm. Hirotsugu Miyazaki, a managing director of NKK; David A. Chatfield, vice president-technology of National Steel; and Yoshito Tokumitsu, vice president-distribution and services of National Steel will be directors.

The new 400,000-ton-per-year line will use NKK's advanced CGL technology and will be modeled after NKK's No. 2 Fukuyama facility. The line will include an electrolytic cleaning section, a vertical annealing furnace, induction galvannealing, tempering and tension leveling. NKK will supply the process equipment and provide technical and operational assistance. The location of the new line has not yet been determined.

The proposed facility will operate as a toll coating line. The owners will provide their own marketing and distribution functions. The high quality, hot-dip galvanized steel, produced by the facility, will be supplied to automotive markets both in the United States and Canada. One-half of the total output will be marketed and distributed by Dofasco, and the remainder by National Steel. It is anticipated that production will begin in early 1993.

National Steel Corp. is the nation's fifth largest steelmaker with production facilities in Ecorse, Mich., near Detroit; Portage, Ind., near Chicago; and Granite City, Ill., near St. Louis. The company is headquartered in Pittsburgh and employs about 12,000 people. It is owned 70 percent by NKK Corp. and 30 percent by National Intergroup Inc. (NYSE: NII). In 1989, National Steel shipped 4,957,000 tons of steel and had sales of $2.6 billion.

NKK Corp., formerly Nippon Kokan K.K., is Japan's second largest steelmaker and the seventh largest in the world. The company makes a full line of steel products, including hot and cold rolled sheets, bars and shapes, pipe and tubes, plates and coated. NKK employs approximately 22,000 people and has annual sales of about $8.1 billion. Raw steel production in the corporation's fiscal year ending March 31, 1990, totaled 12.3 million metric tons.

Dofasco Inc. is Canada's largest integrated steelmaker, providing approximately 40 percent of the country's total steel production. Products include hot and cold rolled steel, plate, galvanized and Galvalume steel, prepainted steel, tinplate, chromium-coated and electrical steel; seamless and welded pipe and tube products; structural steel shapes, rails, as well as carbon and low alloy steel castings. In 1989, consolidated sales were $3.9 billion Cdn. with raw steel production of 7.2 million tons. Dofasco employs 22,700 people.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Wells Fargo Bank has been named one of

the 75 best companies in the United States for working women with children, according to a recent survey by "Working Mother" magazine, and was also featured as one of the top seven U.S. companies for job flexibility.

Wells Fargo was first noted on "Working Mother's" annual listing of best companies to work for in 1987. It has since added five new work/family programs, including a child care referral service, a leave program to take care of children or elderly family members, a work/family resource center and a program to train retirees to become child care providers.

More than 70 percent of Wells Fargo's workforce are women -- 60 percent of whom hold managerial positions. In addition, four of the 37 executive vice presidents at the bank are women and two of the bank's 18 bank directors are women.

According to the magazine, Wells Fargo is also a leader in providing flexible work programs for its employees, including telecommuting, job sharing and compressed work weeks. Because more than a third of its employees have children under the age of 12, Wells Fargo also has a pre- tax dependent care reimbursement account, pays for child care costs or travel expenses when employees work overtime, and funds the training of new child care providers. A one year personal unpaid leave can be negotiated.

Employees can also take a six month paid social-service leave after they've been with the bank for three years, or, if they've been with the bank for 10 years, can take a three month paid leave to pursue a personal interest.

The fifth annual survey was prepared by Carol Townsend and Milton Moskowitz, coauthor "The Best Companies to Work for in America." The companies selected were based on the following criteria: pay (compared to the industry competition), opportunities for women to advance, support for child care, and family-friendly benefits (maternity leave, flextime, part time job sharing).

Following is a list of the best California companies for working mothers, listed alphabetically:

Apple Computers, Cupertino; Atlantic Richfield Co. (ARCO), Los Angeles; Genentech, San Francisco; G.T. Water Products Inc., Moorpark; Lost Arrow, Ventura; Morrison & Foerster, San Francisco; Oracle, Redwood Shores; Syntex, Palo Alto; Wells Fargo & Co., San Francisco.

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MIAMI LAKES, FLA. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Preferred Homecare of America, Inc. (NASDAQ: PFRD), announced today that a letter of intent has been signed

with Americare Prescription Corporation for the sale of certain assets and assumption of certain liabilities related to the company's institutional division. The division provides pharmaceuticals and over-the-counter pharmacy products to nursing homes, adult congregate living facilities, and psychiatric facilities. The company believes that the sale of its institutional business will not result in a loss. It is anticipated that the sale of this division will be consummated in October 1990.

Carlos M. Herrera, president and chief executive officer of Preferred Homecare stated, "We have worked extremely hard during the past two years building our institutional business. However, it is not consistent with our future goals, at this time. We believe the sale of this division will allow us to improve our profitability and permit us to focus on the home infusion therapy business our most profitable operation."

Preferred Homecare of America is a high-tech home infusion therapy company offering an alternative to in-patient hospital care. The company has offices servicing patients in the metropolitan areas of Miami, Ft. Lauderdale, West Palm Beach, Tampa Bay/Pasco County, and Ft. Myers, Fla.; Baltimore/Washington, D.C.; and the New York/New Jersey metropolitan areas.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that Florida Public Utilities Company of West Palm Beach, Fla., began trading 1,079,286 common shares today. Florida Public Utilities is an electric, gas and water utility company that operates distribution systems providing natural and propane gas, electric and water services to commercial, industrial and residential customers in Florida. The company previously traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FPUT.

Trading under ticker symbol FPU, the common stock opened on 100 shares at 17-1/4.

Florida Public Utilities' distribution systems provide natural and propane gas services in central and southern Florida to customers in Palm Beach, Seminole and Volusia counties; electric services in northern Florida to customers in the Marianna and Fernandina Beach areas; and water service in northern Florida in the Fernandina Beach area.

Florida Public Utilities reported net income of $545,000, or $.49 per share, on revenues of $28,704,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1990, compared

with net income of $1,297,000, or $1.20 per share, on revenues of $28,564,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

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MANCHESTER, ENGLAND (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - "There is an ever- increasing trend on behalf of pharmaceutical companies and regulatory bodies around the world to prevent the marketing of drugs that contain both therapeutic and potentially harmful or undesirable properties," two scientists from Celgene Corporation (NASDAQ: CELG) told the "Chiral '90" conference.

Dr. David Stirling, senior research fellow, and Dr. George Matcham, manager of chiral research and development, presented Celgene's novel method for producing uniquely pure pharmaceuticals and other biologically active compounds at this two day symposium at Manchester University. Drs. Stirling, Matcham and Andrew Zeitlin recently received U.S. patent no. 4,950,606 for this innovative method of synthesizing or separating the beneficial from the unneeded or harmful forms of compounds.

Many compounds come in two molecular forms which are mirror images of each other, a phenomenon known as chirality. Usually one form delivers the desired characteristic, while the other often causes undesired side effects or has no effect.

Conventional chemistry has had only limited success in separating these forms, known as chiral isomers. Co-authors Matcham and Stirling described how the Celgene process utilizes the living cell to produce the preferred isomers. The process offers a new, practical and economic method of achieving high purity, which could translate into lower dose rates, reduced side effects, and increased efficacy in the final drug.

The system is effective on a broad class of compounds known as amines, which includes cardiovascular, antibiotic, and antidepression drugs, along with sweeteners and agricultural chemicals. It is estimated that 500 drug compounds in development are candidates for this technology.

Celgene, based in Warren, N.J., is a chemical biotechnology company engaged in the development of fine and specialty chemicals and the bioremediation of hazardous waste.

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MONTVALE, NJ (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Paper Board Company, Inc. (NYSE: FBO) today announced that it had completed the purchase of Continental Bondware, Inc., a subsidiary of Continental Holdings, Inc., owned by Peter Kiewit Sons' Inc.

Continental Bondware is a major producer of wax and poly-coated paper cups and will complement Imperial Cup Corp., which Federal acquired in October of last year.

The combined companies will be operated as a subsidiary of Federal, under the name Imperial Bondware Corp. The new company will operate six cup plants in Kenton, Ohio; Shelbyville, Ill.; Chicago; LaFayette, Ga.; Salisbury, Md.; and Visalia, Calif. Combined estimated sales will be approximately $260-$270 million.

John R. Kennedy, president of Federal, stated that the combined entities utilize over 100,000 tons of bleached paperboard per year, which fits in with the company's expansion of its Augusta, Ga. mill. The second phase of the Augusta expansion will be completed in the first quarter of 1991. Upon completion, Federal will have capacity at its two bleached paperboard mills in Riegelwood, N.C. and Augusta, Ga. to produce more than 1 million tons of bleached paperboard per year.

Kennedy further stated that Continental Bondware and Imperial Cup complement one another in that they have been serving different segments of the market. There will be substantial synergism, since on a combined basis the new company will have both west coast and east coast manufacturing facilities which Bondware lacked prior to the acquisition.

Federal Paper Board Company, Inc. manufactures and sells solid bleached paperboard, bleached market pulp, recycled paperboard, folding cartons, lumber paper cups, and in the European market, uncoated freesheet paper.

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ERIE, PA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Zurn Industries Inc. (NYSE: ZRN), a leading designer and manufacturer of waste-to-energy and water control products and systems, announced today that members of the United Steelworkers of America Local 3199 at the company's steam generating equipment plant in Erie, Pa., have ratified a new, four-year contract, ending a walkout which began Sept. 1.

"We are pleased to announce that work resumes with the third shift at 11 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19," said Zurn Chairman George H. Schofield.

Schofield further stated that, "The strike will impact results of the company's waste-to-energy business and earnings for the second quarter, ending Sept. 30, are expected to be below last year's second quarter."

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#90262p6008 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRANCHBURG, N.J. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Kenneth W. Turnbull, chairman and chief executive officer of United National Bancorp (NASDAQ: UNBJ), parent company of United National Bank, today announced approval of a regular quarterly cash dividend of 23 cents per share as well as a 6 percent stock dividend payable Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 15.

"This is the 32nd year a stock dividend has been paid and we are delighted to be able to continue with it," Turnbull said.

United National Bancorp, through its principal subsidiary United National Bank has 18 offices throughout Union, Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon and Warren counties.

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STAMFORD, Conn. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - GE Capital announced today that it has completed the acquisition of Pegasus Broadcasting, Inc., following FCC approval of the transaction.

Pegasus Broadcasting, is a privately held communications company comprised of WAPA-TV, a leading Spanish language independent station with production facilities in San Juan, Puerto Rico; WJBF in Augusta, Ga., an ABC affiliate; KSCH-TV, an independent station in Sacramento, Calif. The previous shareholders will retain ownership of the two radio stations KCAP-AM and KZMT-FM in Helena, Mont.

Christopher J. Brennan has resigned from his position as president and chief executive officer of Pegasus Broadcasting, Inc.

GE Capital Corporate Finance Group has arranged with Michael L. Eskridge, president of Broadcast Management Services, a unit of GE Capital, to provide management services with respect to the stations. The station management is expected to continue in their current capacities.

"GE Capital has substantial experience in providing financing to companies in the broadcast industry. This acquisition was prompted by the desire to protect our financial interest; moreover, through the efforts of Michael L. Eskridge we expect to provide both operational and financial stability to the stations which will enable them to better serve their respective communities," said Dennis J. Carey, senior vice president and general manager of GE Capital Corporate Finance Group.

GE Capital, headquartered in Stamford, is one of the nation's largest diversified financial services companies with assets in excess of $59 billion.

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#90262p6017 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board (PLCB) today unveiled the newest addition to its private label product line.

Simply Blush, a California blush wine, joins two other products, rounding out Pennsylvania's selection of private label wines. Last year more than 750,000 cases of blush-style wine was sold in Pennsylvania wine and spirits shoppes. That's more than any other wine category.

"The Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board recognizes the increasing popularity of wine, particularly blush wines," said Chairman James A. Goodman. "This is a product which could not be ignored," he said.

The PLCB began selling its Laurel Collection brand of products in May of 1988, with red and white French wines marketed under the names L'Amandier. Since that time, more than 17,000 cases of Laurel Collection L'Amandier have been sold in Pennsylvania.

"The success of the private label depends largely on the board's ability to give consumers quality products at fair prices," said Goodman. "The Laurel Collection effectively provides both," he said.

Simply Blush, provided to the PLCB through Eric M. Price III & Co. of Upper Darby, Pa., is a California blush wine comprised of a blend of grapes including Chenin Blanc, French Colombard and Muscat. Simply Blush has marvelous balance, exceptional taste and is an outstanding value at $4.49 (750 ml) and $6.99 (1.5L).

Laurel Collection wines are available in all Pennsylvania Wine and Spirits Shoppes.

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#90262p6018 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
BILLERICA, MASS. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - CSP Inc. (NASDAQ: CSPI) has announced that Samuel Ochlis, president and chief executive officer of the company, has indicated to the board of directors that he will retire by Sept. 1, 1991 when he will be 68 years old. Ochlis will, thereafter, continue as a consultant to the company. The directors of the company have formed a search committee, chaired by William Wolfson, to aid in finding his successor.

CSPI was formed in 1968 with specific strengths in signal processing and computer technology. Today, CSPI is recognized as a leading manufacturer of vector processors, also referred to as array processors, to enhance a computer's ability to perform high-speed arithmetic. Markets served include science and engineering applications in signal processing, sonar/radar/ASW, image processing, seismic research, medical imaging, electronic publishing and other. In addition to its vector processors products, CSPI recently formed a new division called Scanalytics for the development and marketing of turnkey image analysis systems. CSPI is a public company with stock traded over the counter via NASDAQ.

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#90262p6021 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
FAIRFAX, VA. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - ERC Environmental and Energy Services Co., Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ERCE) today announced that it has been selected by the Pacific Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command (PACDIVNAVFACENGCOM), in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, for negotiations for its Comprehensive Long-Term Environmental Action Navy (CLEAN) Program.

The negotiations will be for a cost-plus-award-fee contract with one base year and nine option years and an overall potential of $80 million in revenues.

The PACDIV CLEAN Program involves professional environmental engineering services in the geographic region of PACDIVNAVFACENGCOM, which includes primarily Hawaii and Guam, but may extend to installations in other locations such as Japan, Midway Island, Philippines, Australia, Korea, Diego Garcia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, Antarctica, and Bahrain. The program is subject to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) and includes work in the areas of installation restoration, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) facility investigations, underground storage tank investigations, asbestos abatement, subsurface oil recovery, emergency response, radon abatement,

environmental documentation, hazardous waste minimization, environmental permit applications, environmental health and safety, and other services to support the Navy's Environmental Quality Program.

ERCE will be supported in this effort by its subcontractors, ENSR Consulting and Engineering; Fluor Daniel, Inc.; and The Environmental Company, Inc.

ERCE is a professional and technical services firm providing a comprehensive range of environmental, infrastructure and energy consulting, engineering and analytical services to industrial and commercial companies and governmental agencies. The company has principal operating offices in Fairfax; Nashville, Tenn.; and San Diego.

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#90262p6024 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROGERS, CONN. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Rogers Corporation (AMEX: ROG), at a meeting on Sept. 13, 1990, extended its authorization for the company to purchase up to $2 million in market value of its Capital Stock at any time through Oct. 31, 1991. The original authorization was made on Oct. 30, 1987, and had been most recently extended on Sept. 14, 1989.

Norman L. Greenman, president of Rogers, said that no shares have been and none are being repurchased at this time.

Currently, there are 3,071,536 shares of stock outstanding. The closing price on the American Stock Exchange on Sept. 14, 1990, was $17.875.

Headquartered in Rogers, Conn., Rogers manufactures a broad range of engineered materials and components for the electronics and other selcted industrial markets at 17 locations in the U.S., Europe and Mexico.

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#90262p6026 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

STILLWATER, MINN. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - INCSTAR Corporation (ASE:ISR) and its Italian affiliate Sorin Biomedica S.p.A. announced today that they have completed arrangements for a strategic alliance with Baxter International Inc. The agreements involve Baxter's sale of assets, as well as the transfer of manufacturing, distribution and technology rights, for the full line of Clinical Assays(TM) radioimmunoassay (RIA) diagnostic test kits and related products.

INCSTAR will become the sole worldwide manufacturer of the Clinical Assays RIA products and will have exclusive sales and marketing rights for these products in the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, Ireland and the United Kingdom. Sorin will market the products in France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Switzerland, and the Benelux countries. Baxter will retain marketing rights in the rest of the world, including Japan.

The transaction gives INCSTAR a strong position in the following major RIA markets: endocrinology, fertility, hematology, oncology, and therapeutic drug monitoring.

Under terms of the agreement, Baxter received 600,000 shares of INCSTAR common stock in addition to an undisclosed amount of cash, in return for all pertinent manufacturing and working capital assets, and intellectual property. INCSTAR will also pay Baxter a licensing fee for rights to certain patents, plus royalties based on sales volumes. The terms of Sorin's agreement were not disclosed.

INCSTAR is a Minnesota-based manufacturer and distributor of high quality immunodiagnostic products for health care professionals and manufacturers. Sales for the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, were $23 million. The company is an affiliate of the Italian-based Fiat Group (NYSE:FIA).

Sorin Biomedica S.p.A. is one of the European leaders in the immunodiagnostics cardiovascular and hemodialysis fields, and is the main operating company of the bioengineering sector of the Fiat Group. Sales in 1989 were $216 million.

Baxter International Inc. is a leading worldwide manufacturer and marketer of healthcare products, based in Deerfield, Ill.

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#90262p6034 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan Am Corporation (NYSE: PN) Chairman Thomas G. Plaskett announced today that Pan American World Airways has launched a series of strategic route and equipment actions to strengthen its position and has also begun a cost-cutting program to counter the rapidly rising cost of jet fuel and softening demand for air travel. A key component in the cost reduction program is the elimination of 2,500 jobs.

In his presentation to the New York Society of Airline Security Analysts, Plaskett said the airline's strategic program includes "right- sizing" transatlantic services to better match capacity with demand, adjusting its

network of domestic feeder flights into John F. Kennedy Airport in New York, and continuing development of its Miami hub and presence in Latin America. These programs, Plaskett said, will result in a 7.5 percent reduction in capacity planned by the airline in 1991. In line with new capacity levels, Plaskett said that headcount would be reduced by 2,500 next month. Both management and non-management positions are affected. Pan Am's current total employment is approximately 29,000.

As part of its plan to "right-size" its transatlantic services, Plaskett said the company would return five of its fleet of 35 B747s to the lessor this fall and substitute twin-engine, fuel efficient A310/300s on several transatlantic routes. He noted that while the 412- seat B747 is the ideal aircraft for peak summer demand travel period, the 192-seat A310s are more profitable on an annual basis on several of the markets where they will now be assigned, such as JFK/Milan, JFK/Madrid, Washington (Dulles)/Frankfurt and Washington (Dulles)/London.

Pan Am also announced that it would take delivery of two new A310/300s for next summer's peak and use the new capacity to inaugurate service from JFK to Manchester, England; JFK to Zagreb, Yugoslavia; and Newark to London's Heathrow Airport.

As Pan Am removes capacity from the Atlantic, it will also improve its network of domestic feeder flights into JFK, Plaskett told the group. Several unprofitable feeder segments have been or will be eliminated or consolidated, he said, citing plans to terminate service from Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Austin, San Antonio and Cincinnati to JFK. He noted that Pan Am Express, the corporation's commuter subsidiary, would replace Pan Am and continue to provide an air link to JFK from both Pittsburgh and Philadelphia.

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#90262p6035 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLUE BELL, PA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - J. Carl Masi, a 25-year computer industry veteran, has been named vice president of Corporate Marketing for Unisys (NYSE: UIS), the corporation announced today.

Reto Braun, Unisys executive vice president, said Masi will be responsible for guiding the refinement and implementation of the company's line-of-business strategies on a worldwide basis. "For Unisys to execute the company's strategy," Braun said, "it is critical that we effectively target and penetrate solution market segments that match our commitment to providing open information networks. Carl's global sales and marketing experience will help Unisys continue to improve its overall effectiveness in marketing."

Masi, 49, was previously chairman and CEO with International Data Corp. and an

executive vice president at Wang Laboratories Inc. During his 12-year Wang tenure, Masi held a number of senior-level management positions in both U.S. and international sales, marketing and support operations. He holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Tufts University.

Masi replaces Jack Holton, who concurrently was named vice president, Strategic Account Marketing for Unisys.

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DENVER (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Gas Resources Inc. (NYSE: WGR) announced the acquisition of a 50 percent interest in a gas-transfer facility in West Texas known as the Waha Header System from American Central Gas Cos. Inc. located in Tulsa, Okla. The acquisition was made by Western Gas Processors Ltd. (NYSE: WGP) which is 52 percent owned by Western Gas Resources. The Waha Header System, located in Pecos County, Texas, serves to interconnect pipelines in the area to provide a number of transportation options to transporters for natural gas flowing at different operating pressures and in different directions. The system's terminus points are El Paso Natural Gas Co.'s pipeline to the west and Lone Star's pipeline to the east and ultimate plans include connections with Westar, Valero, Oasis, Red River, Northern Natural and Transwestern. The high pressure portion of the system was designed to transport 350 million cubic feet per day and the low pressure side was designed to transport 200 million cubic feet per day. Intrastate and interstate pipelines connected by the Waha Header access gas from New Mexico, Western Oklahoma and virtually all of Texas. The interconnected pipelines can provide access to most natural gas markets in the continental United States.

The facility is operated by Lone Star Gas Co. which operates an elaborate intrastate pipeline network in Texas and encompasses more than 10,000 miles. The facility taps into eight major natural gas basins in the Southwest and provides connections to California, the Midwest, Gulf Coast and East Coast regions. Western's acquisition of the interest will enhance Western's ability to market natural gas and particularly gas produced from its Midkiff and San Juan River facilities located in the Permian and San Juan River Basins respectively, and its most recently acquired Giddings System which gathers and processes gas from the Austin Chalk play. The flexibility provided by this system will allow Western to maximize gas flow efficiency and profitability benefitting producers and investors.

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BALTIMORE (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Webster Clothes Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: WEBS) announced flat sales and increased operating losses for the second quarter of the fiscal year ending Feb. 2, 1991.

For the three months ended Aug. 4, 1990, total sales increased .2 percent to $16 million compared to the three months ended July 29, 1989. Comparable store sales increased 1.9 percent during the second quarter this year as compared to the same quarter last year. Sales for the first six months this year were $31.2 million, a 4.7 percent increase from the sales for the same period last year of $29.8 million. Comparable store sales increased $1.8 million (6.2 percent) to $30.8 million as compared to the same period last year.

During the second quarter losses increased to $657,000 (21 cents per share) from a loss of $448,000 (14 cents per share) for the same quarter last year. For the first six months this year, losses were reduced slightly by $30,000 to $1.3 million. The loss for both years was 41 cents per share.

During the third quarter Webster Clothes Inc. entered into an agreement to be acquired by a subsidiary of Edison Brothers Stores Inc. for a total of $6 per share.

Certain stockholders of Webster Clothes Inc., who together own approximately 81 percent of its shares, have granted Edison an option to purchase their shares at the acquisition price. Closing is anticipated to occur in early October 1990.

Webster Clothes Inc. is a Baltimore-based retailer of private label and designer men's wear. The company presently operates 106 "Webster Men's Wear" stores, 20 "Zeidler and Zeidler" stores and two "Aggio" stores. The 128 stores are located in regional malls coast to coast in 23 states.

WEBSTER CLOTHES INC.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Second Quarter Ended Aug. 4, 1990	Second Quarter Ended July 29, 1989
Revenues	$16,116,000	$16,091,000
Net loss	657,000	448,000
Net loss/share	.21	.14
	Six Months Ended Aug. 4, 1990	Six Months Ended July 29, 1989
Revenues	$31,220,000	$29,827,000
Net loss	1,298,000	1,328,000
Net loss/share	.41	.41

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ARMONK, N.Y. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - MBIA Inc. (NYSE: MBI) announced today that it is reinstating a previously announced share repurchase program that authorized it to acquire up to 1 million shares of its common stock from time to time in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. Any stock repurchased will be used to fund various employee benefit or stock option plans.

The company noted that market concerns had been expressed about MBIA's insured exposure on indebtedness of the city of Philadelphia. Although the company does not believe default is imminent, the company stated it has no general obligation exposure on the city of Philadelphia for the remainder of 1990 and approximately $9 million in 1991.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Ameritech (NYSE: AIT) board of directors today declared a regular third-quarter dividend of 79 cents per share, payable Nov. 1 to share owners of record Sept. 28.

With assets of $20.1 billion, Ameritech has approximately 265 million shares of common stock outstanding, held in nearly 1.1 million share-owner accounts.

Ameritech is the Chicago-based parent of the Bell companies serving Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin, and several other information-related companies providing mobile communications, directories, lease financing, voice messaging and audiotex services. Its 1989 revenues were $10.2 billion.

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DENVER (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Key Production Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: KPCI) declared a semi-annual cash dividend of 15 cents per share on the company's common stock, a $.025 increase over the prior level. The dividend is payable on Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990.

The current dividend level is based on stronger oil prices as well as continued progress in reducing debt. During the first six months of 1990, Key reduced total debt by 24 percent to $21.6 million. Future dividends will be dependent upon Key's performance and industry conditions at the time they are

declared.

Key Production is an independent oil and gas production company. Its common stock is traded on the NASDAQ system under the symbol KPCI.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - NYNEX Information Solutions Group today announced the completion of its acquisition of Stockholder Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: SSIA). With this acquisition, NYNEX Information Solutions Group becomes the largest U.S. provider of application software to the financial services industry.

The total value of the transaction is approximately $70 million. SSI shareholders will receive .2174 shares of NYNEX common stock per share of SSI stock. The transaction was approved by SSI shareholders at a special meeting today.

The addition of Stockholder Systems to its financial services software group makes NYNEX Information Solutions Group the largest U.S. provider of financial application software. Stockholder Systems reported net income of 14 percent on operating revenues of $25.7 million in fiscal year 1990 (ending Mar. 31, 1990).

Founded in 1971 and based in Norcross, Ga., SSI designs, markets and supports a line of financial application software for IBM and IBM- compatible mainframe mid-range and personal computers. The company has 250 employees and more than 1,200 customers who use SSI software for securities recordkeeping, electronic funds transfer, check processing, lease accounting, mortgage loan processing and loan recovery.

NYNEX Information Solutions Group, Inc., a subsidiary of NYNEX Corporation (NYSE: NYN), is a leading worldwide supplier of software, consulting and operations support services. The company has more than 6,700 employees serving customers from offices in more than 30 U.S. cities and 13 countries.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Tenneco Inc. (NYSE: TGT) today announced the approval of a major capital project to further expand production capacity at its Tenneco Minerals Company division Green River, Wyo., trona mine and soda

ash plant.

The project will add facilities to process an additional one million tons of trona ore per year into calcined trona, with the ability to increase the processing rate to 1.5 million tons per year in the future.

Calcined trona is a feedstock used to make products including soda ash, sodium sulfite, caustic soda and other sodium chemicals. If all the production of the expanded capacity were used to produce caustic soda, the project would provide enough feedstock for 750,000 tons of the product per year, or about six percent of U.S. industry demand. The unusually high quality of this trona ore further enhances this project.

The opportunity for this expansion is the result of the declining use of chlorine in pulp bleaching and other chlorine end uses while caustic soda demand continues to grow. Currently, more than 98 percent of all caustic soda is produced by the electrolysis of salt brine which yields a nearly equal amount of chlorine.

David R. Delling, president of Tenneco Minerals Co., also reported that three other company projects have been completed or are progressing on schedule, including:

- Completion of the company's second stage debottlenecking of soda ash capacity at the Green River plant last month, bringing current capacity of refined soda ash to 1.25 million tons per year.

- Engineering planning and development for the Asahi Glass Co., joint venture announced earlier this year, which will expand refined soda ash production by 600,000 tons per year, is ongoing with plant completion set for mid-1992.

- And, construction on another new project, which will produce 75,000 tons per year of caustic soda and 50,000 tons per year of sodium sulfite at the Green River plant, is now approximately 40 percent complete with facilities expected to come on stream at the end of the first quarter of 1991.

"Demand for all of Tenneco Minerals' products is strong and the new projects are all progressing as planned," said Delling. "As a result of the calcined trona project, additional new downstream projects might be forthcoming."

Tenneco Minerals Co., a unit of Houston-based Tenneco Inc., is headquartered in Lakewood, Colo.

Tenneco Inc. is a diversified industrial corporation with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, shipbuilding, automotive parts, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

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ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, N.J. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Charles R. Shoemate, president and chief executive officer of CPC International Inc. (NYSE: CPC) has been elected to the additional position of chairman of the board of the company. As chairman he succeeds James R. Eiszner who died Sept. 11.

Shoemate, 50, who has been president of CPC International since October 1988, was elected chief executive officer in August.

Shoemate joined CPC in 1962, and progressed through a variety of positions in manufacturing, finance and business management within the consumer foods and corn refining businesses. He was elected a vice president of CPC in 1983, president of CPC's Corn Refining Division in 1987, and a member of the board of directors in 1988.

Shoemate is a graduate of Western Illinois University, and holds an M.B.A. in marketing and finance from the University of Chicago. A native of Illinois, Shoemate resides with his wife in northern New Jersey. They have three children.

With sales in 1989 of $5.1 billion, CPC International Inc. ranks as one of the largest and most international food companies in the United States. CPC's worldwide consumer foods business accounts for approximately 80 percent of the company's total sales, and its products are household favorites throughout North America, Europe, Latin America, and Asia. Best known among its U.S. brands are: Hellmann's and Best Foods mayonnaise, Mazola corn oil and margarine, Skippy peanut butter, Thomas' English muffins, Arnold breads, Mueller's pasta products, Karo and Golden Griddle syrups, and Knorr soups, sauces and bouillons. CPC is also one of the largest corn refiners with operations in North America and Latin America.

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LOMBARD, ILL. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Occidental Petroleum Corp. (NYSE: OXY) announced today that John F. Riordan has been elected chief executive officer of its MidCon Corp. natural gas transmission subsidiary. O.C. Davis, 70, who had been serving as both chairman and chief executive officer, continues as chairman of MidCon.

"John's election is the latest step in a series of planned progressions

designed to assure an orderly transition in executive leadership," said Davis.

Riordan, 54, has been president and chief operating officer of MidCon, as well as a director. He began has career at Occidental Chemical Corp. in 1958 and subsequently held a number of executive positions at OxyChem and other Occidental subsidiaries. He moved to MidCon in 1988.

Riordan received a bachelor of science degree in chemistry from Niagara University and a master of business administration degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo. He and his wife, Judith, have two sons and a daughter.

MidCon Corp. is a diversified energy company with units engaged in interstate and intrastate natural gas transmission, as well as gas sales, storage and marketing.

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SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Burns, Philp & Company Limited (OTC: 3EPHCY), the Australian-based industrial group whose U.S. operations include Spice Islands spices, Fleischmann's yeast and Fermtec antibiotics, today announced a record profit of Australian $106 million (approximately U.S.$83 million) during the fiscal year ending June 30.

Andrew Turnbull, managing director and chief executive, said the equity-accounted net profit before extraordinary items represented a 6 percent increase over the previous year. It was the seventh consecutive year of record profit.

Burns Philp shares, listed on the Australian Stock Exchange, are traded in the U.S. in the form of American Depositary Receipts (ADRs). The ADRs are quoted on the National Association of Securities Dealers' Electronic Bulletin Board (Symbol: 3EPHCY), and traded in the Pink Sheets. One ADR equals six Burns Philp shares.

Strong North American Food Operations

"Good results were recorded in our North American food businesses including Spice Islands and Dromedary. Worldwide yeast operations generally reported increased profits, as did bacterial products such as Nisin, a preservative used mainly in the dairy and canning industries," said Turnbull.

"The overall results were particularly pleasing, given the negative effect of lower prices in the North American baker's yeast market during the year and the failure of the antibiotics business to meet expectations," he noted.

"In Australia, the hardware division finished the year with another fine profit increase, and our Pacific Islands businesses also performed strongly."

Due to low prices and environmental restraints on the production of antibiotics in Italy, a major restructuring of that business has been undertaken.

Group earnings before net interest and taxes were $168 million on sales, up 12 percent to $2,144 billion. Higher net interest, up 20 percent to $61 million, was (a result of acquisitions and the group's capital works programs), but was party offset by a reduction in tax.

"The tax situation continues to benefit from the utilization of past tax losses, significant local tax incentives and other deductions available to some of our international operations. Corporate tax rates applicable to subsidiaries operating outside Australia were also generally lower than the standard Australian rate," Turnbull said.

Net abnormal items of $36 million loss were mainly attributable to the write-down of plant and equipment at the Milan and Westchester antibiotics plants.

Reflecting the difficulties experienced by reduced prices in the Fermtec antibiotics business and reduced prices, for most of the year, in the U.S. baker's yeast market, the Food and Fermentation Division's profit after tax held steady at $58 million, on sales up two percent to $810 million.

Strong performances by the BBC hardware retail chain and the builders merchants group, Benchmark Australia, and Traversi Jones contributed to the record result. The Tradelink and McIlwraith plumbing supplies businesses held profitability in declining market conditions, and Benchmark New Zealand achieved a small increase in profit.

Since year-end the hardware division has strengthened its network of builders supplies stores with the acquisition of a further 15 more timber and hardware outlets in Australia. The division now has 275 outlets trading throughout Australia and New Zealand.

A stable political environment and consequent improved economic conditions in Fiji and excellent returns from the shipping and automotive businesses in Papua New Guinea boosted the Pacific Island operations to record results.

QBE Insurance Group (46 percent owned) achieved a record after tax profit of $47 million despite the unprecedented number and severity of natural disasters which adversely affected the Australian and international insurance markets. The contribution to Burns Philp was $21.7 million, last year $20.1 million.

Final dividend is 7.5 cents per share franked to 25 percent taking the total

dividend for the year to 15.5 cents. This is an 8 percent increase on the previous 14.3 cents payout (adjusted for the 1 : 10 bonus in November 1989).

Commenting on the outlook for Burns Philp, Turnbull said, "Current trading conditions in our major markets are difficult with varying effects on our business. Both the trade and retail sectors of the hardware business in Australia experienced low levels of activity in July and August. However, the North American food businesses are benefiting from a more stable yeast market and improved prices and our growing yeast interests in Europe are performing well.

"Nevertheless, with the present adverse economic climate in Australia and the uncertainties in international markets, I am cautious of predicting any material improvement in our results for the first half of this year," Turnbull said.

BURNS, PHILP & COMPANY LIMITED
RESULTS FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30
U.S. DOLLAR ANALYSIS
(U.S.$ thousands)

	1990	1989	Pct. Increase/ (Decrease)
Sales	1,684,507	1,502,473	+ 12
Earnings before net interest & tax	131,989	120,941	+ 9
Net interest expense	(47,684)	(39,657)	+ 20
Profit before tax	84,305	81,284	+ 4
Tax	(4,727)	(8,370)	(44)
Minority interests	(5,555)	(5,946)	(7)
Profit before equity profits	74,023	66,968	+ 11
Equity profit	9,432	12,128	(22)
Net profit	83,455	79,096	+ 6
Abnormal items	(27,965)	(25,326)	+ 10
EPS (cents) (before abnormal items)	24.7	24.3	+ 2
Dividend (cents) (adjusted for 1:10 bonus November 1989)	12.2	11.2	+ 8

INDUSTRY SEGMENT RESULTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30
(U.S. $ millions)

	Sales		Net Profit	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Food/fermentation	636	625	45.5	45.4
Hardware	765	617	24.0	18.4
Pacific	284	260	10.2	7.9
QBE insurance	--	--	17.0	15.8

Investment & corporate	--	--	(13.2)	(8.4)
Group total	1,685	1,502	83.5	79.1

BURNS, PHILP & COMPANY LIMITED
RESULTS FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30
(In thousands of Australian dollars)

	1990	1989	Pct. Increase/ (Decrease)
Sales	2,143,957	1,912,273	+ 12
Earnings before net Interest & tax	167,989	153,928	+ 9
Net interest expense	(60,690)	(50,474)	+ 20
Profit before tax	107,299	103,454	+ 4
Tax	(6,016)	(10,653)	(44)
Minority interests	(7,070)	(7,568)	(7)
Profit before equity profits	94,213	85,233	+ 11
Equity profit	12,005	15,436	(22)
Net profit	106,218	100,669	+ 6
Abnormal items	(35,593)	(32,234)	+ 10
EPS (cents) (before abnormal items)	31.5	30.9	+ 2
Dividend (cents) (adjusted for 1:10 bonus November 1989)	15.5	14.3	+ 8

INDUSTRY SEGMENT RESULTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30
(In millions of Australian dollars)

	Sales		Net Profit	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Food/fermentation	810	796	57.9	57.8
Hardware	974	785	30.5	23.5
Pacific	360	331	13.0	10.1
QBE insurance	--	--	21.7	20.1
Investment & corporate	--	--	(16.9)	(10.8)
Group total	2,144	1,912	106.2	100.7

NOTE: The exchange rate employed, A$1 equals U.S.$0.7857, was in effect June 30, 1990.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Kettle Restaurants Inc. announced that the

net profit for the quarter ended Aug. 2, 1990 was $130,000 or 11 cents per share compared with net profit for the quarter ended July 27, 1989 of $313,000 or 28 cents per share. The net profit for the three quarters ended Aug. 2, 1990 was $448,000 or 39 cents per share compared with a net profit for the three quarters ended July 27, 1989 of $695,000 or 61 cents per share.

Total revenues increased 20.1 percent to $13,028,000 for the quarter and increased 11.3 percent to $35,427,000 for the three quarters ended Aug. 2, 1990 compared to the same periods the prior year. These increases were, in part, due to an increase in company-operated restaurant revenues of 21.4 percent to $9,268,000 and 13.9 percent to $23,938,000, respectively, for the quarter and three quarters ended Aug. 2, 1990 compared to the same periods the prior year. Weighted average sales per restaurant increased 8.8 percent and 8.4 percent, respectively, for the quarter and three quarters ended Aug. 2, 1990, compared to the same periods the prior year. Also, industrial catering revenues were $614,000 in the quarter ended Aug. 2, 1990 compared to amounts billed in the comparable period the prior year which results in a cumulative increase to $1,832,000 for the three quarters ended Aug. 2, 1990 compared to $1,184,000 the prior year.

The company implemented a new menu in its company-operated and franchised stores during the third quarter, herein reported. The new menu is expanded to eight pages and has a significant focus on the many choices available for lunch and dinner. While a Kettle restaurant has always been well known for its breakfast selections and "all you care to eat" breakfast and fruit bars available at most locations, the new menu contains aprroximately 80 colorful plate photographs that demonstrate the variety of selections available for lunch and dinner. Specifically, an appetizer section and a new soup and sandwich "Express Lunch," which is guaranteed to be served in 10 minutes, have been added. Also, the senior citizen and dessert sections have been enhanced in concept and price.

The company believes the expanded menu reflects the changing demands of today's family restaurant customer based upon a review of customer comments and competitive direction in its market. The menu is expected to appeal to a broader base of customers, particularly senior citizens and teenagers. The company believes that the new menu pricing, which reflects an average price increase of approximately 8 percent, has contributed to the increase in restaurant revenues for the quarter and three quarters ended Aug. 2, 1990.

The company presently has no current expansion plans and does not anticipate adding any units to the system during the current fiscal year.

Kettle Restaurants Inc. is principally engaged in the operation and franchising of 24-hour, full-service, family-oriented restaurants. The restaurants offer a wide selection of moderately priced menu items for all meal periods. Kettle and its franchisees operate 184 restaurants in 17 states primarily in the Sunbelt region.

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of an ongoing plan to improve the efficiency of its business, Allergan, Inc., (NYSE: AGN) announced today that the Allergan Optical division will close its Woodbury, N.Y., contact lens manufacturing facility in 1991 and transfer these operations to Allergan facilities in Waco, Texas and Irvine.

This transition will affect approximately 280 New York based employees. The net reduction in headcount for this manufacturing consolidation will be 70 employees. Last year, Allergan Optical consolidated its European contact lens manufacturing operations into one plant in the U.K.

"This move is consistent with our stated corporate objectives to control operating costs and streamline our business operations," said Bill Shepherd, chief operating officer of Allergan. "Costs associated with consolidation were previously accrued by Allergan," added Shepherd.

Contact lens functions moving to the Waco facility include manufacturing, manufacturing engineering, distribution, materials, quality assurance, cost accounting and returned goods. Responsibility for customer service, research and development and related administrative responsibilities will be relocated to Irvine. These same functions already exist in Waco and Irvine for Allergan's contact lens care business.

As a result of streamlining its business throughout the year, Allergan Optical has reduced its U.S. non-manufacturing work force by 19 percent.

Allergan, Inc. is comprised of six business units: Allergan Pharmaceuticals -- prescription and nonprescription eye care products; Allergan Optical -- contact lenses and lens care products; Allergan Medical Optics -- surgical ophthalmic products and services; Allergan Humphrey -- microprocessor-based ophthalmic diagnostic instruments; Herbert Laboratories -- prescription and nonprescription skin care medications; and Allergan International, which markets Allergan products in more than 90 countries around the world.

Allergan employs over 6,500 people worldwide, and is headquartered in Irvine.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Christian Action Council (CAC), which on Aug. 8, announced a boycott of corporate supporters of Planned Parenthood, today challenged the Dayton Hudson Corporation, Planned Parenthood and the media to tell the whole story when speaking to the media about grants made to Planned Parenthood.

"Planned Parenthood and the media have given the impression that scores of abortion-rights supporters have threatened to boycott Dayton Hudson for its decision to stop its funding for Planned Parenthood," said Douglas R. Scott, director of public policy for the CAC and founder of the project to end corporate support for Planned Parenthood. "The fact is that letters and telephone calls to Dayton Hudson have run essentially even between those who support the corporate decision and those who oppose it." Scott cited a radio program on WWCM (Detroit) during which Ann Barkelew, spokesman for Dayton Hudson, acknowledged that response to its decision has been virtually even.

"While the public reaction has been even, Planned Parenthood, other abortion-rights groups and the media have acted as though there's this massive negative response -- a universally negative response -- to the Dayton Hudson decision," Scott said. "Nothing could be further from the truth."

Scott, who expects Dayton Hudson to announce that it will resume Planned Parenthood funding any day now, also said Dayton Hudson, Planned Parenthood and the media have refused to address the real issues. "They are trying to reshape the debate to appear victims instead of facing the issues straight on. Just like a politician who has been caught in a debate he cannot win, these spokesman are choosing to ignore the issues and change the subject."

Scott said that Dayton Hudson and Planned Parenthood have emphasized that "only one" Planned Parenthood clinic in Minnesota performs abortions and that Dayton Hudson's donations are not for abortions. "We know that," Scott said. "We've said over-and-over again, we know that. The point is that every Planned Parenthood affiliate is bound by national Planned Parenthood policy to participate in abortion rights advocacy and to either perform or refer for abortions. Every Planned Parenthood, regardless of its place in the international organization, have the same agenda." Scott noted that Faye Wattleton, president of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, has urged that all Planned Parenthood affiliates offer abortion services. He also pointed out that any support for Planned Parenthood releases unrestricted funds for abortion and abortion advocacy. "For some reason, the media doesn't want to print these facts," Scott said.

Scott said that attempts to paint the CAC as a "fringe" group acting alone are not only attempts to evade the issues, they are simply untrue. "Once again, if you cannot deal with the issues, you attack those who raise the issues," Scott said. "The truth is that virtually every national pro-life and pro-family organization has joined the CAC in its call for a boycott of corporate supporters of Planned Parenthood." Scott notes that most of these groups were

represented at the Aug. 8 press conference.

The Christian Action Council (CAC) is the nation's largest Protestant pro-life organization. Based in the greater Washington area, the CAC was founded in 1975 and has more than 500 local affiliate organizations throughout the United States and Canada.

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MOUNT LAUREL, NJ (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Tyco Toys, Inc. (NASDAQ: TTOY) and Nasta International, Inc. (AMEX: NAS) today jointly announced that Tyco has agreed to increase its tender offer for any and all shares of Nasta common stock to $1.25 per share in cash, including shares already tendered, and extended the offer until Oct. 3, 1990.

Tyco and Nasta said they have entered into a definitive merger agreement which was approved unanimously by the boards of both companies. The merger agreement assures that, subject to the terms and conditions of the merger agreement, Nasta common shares not purchased in the tender offer will be converted in a merger following the tender offer into the right to receive the same $1.25 per share in cash, subject to dissenters' rights to appraisal.

Tyco and Nasta also announced that they had reached an agreement in principle to settle three purported class actions based on the increase in price, the merger agreement, and an agreement to pay certain attorneys' fees and expenses. The agreement in principle is subject to certain conditions, including court approval.

As of Sept. 17, 1990, 607,965 shares had been tendered pursuant to the original tender offer, and if that number of shares were purchased in the tender offer, Tyco's stake in Nasta would increase to 86 percent. Tyco presently owns 74 percent of Nasta.

The offer is not conditioned upon any minimum number of shares being tendered.

Tyco and Nasta also stated that additional tender offer material containing information in connection with the increased offer and the merger agreement will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and sent to Nasta stockholders shortly.

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WALTHAM, MASS. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Cabot Corporation (NYSE: CBT) announced today that the United States Maritime Administration ("MARAD"), companies of the Royal Dutch/Shell Group ("Shell"), units of the Argent group of companies ("Argent"), and units of Cabot Corporation ("Cabot"), agreed to settle a dispute concerning the disposition and ownership of three LNG tankers the ARZEW, SOUTHERN and GAMMA, which MARAD had repossessed from subsidiaries of the El Paso Corporation.

The key provisions of the settlement are as follows: -- All litigation among the parties will be dismissed with prejudice. -- The GAMMA will be sold to Cabot, which will enter into a long- term time charter with Nigeria LNG Ltd., on a half-yearly basis, following the start-up of the Nigerian LNG project. Cabot will have free use of the GAMMA at all other times.

-- The ARZEW and SOUTHERN will be sold to Argent, which will enter into long-term time charters for both vessels with Shell.

-- The total purchase price paid to MARAD for each vessel will be $18.1 million, which includes options fees already paid to MARAD.

-- By agreement with MARAD, the vessels will undergo refurbishment in United States shipyards, and will receive on-going maintenance and repairs in the United States.

-- Also by agreement with MARAD, the vessels will be dedicated to the LNG trade between the United States and foreign countries.

Samuel W. Bodman, chairman and CEO of Cabot Corporation and Cabot LNG Corporation, indicated Cabot plans to use the GAMMA for service between Algeria and Boston, and between Nigeria and the United States.

Bodman commented, "The settlement promises the earliest possible return to service of the vessels for their intended purpose: delivering LNG to the East Coast of the United States and promoting the development of the United States flag fleet. In addition, the settlement is a significant event for Cabot and energy consumers in New England. By acquiring the GAMMA, we have enhanced our reliability and expanded our capacity to serve the energy requirements of the entire northeastern United States."

Cabot Corporation is a Fortune 300 Company, headquartered in Waltham, Mass., with operations in specialty chemicals and materials, and energy.

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LAKE MARY, FLA. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Stromberg-Carlson announced today that its United Kingdom parent, GPT, has signed a purchase agreement in which British Telecom could buy digital System X exchanges from GPT worth up to almost $1.9 billion.

This agreement covers the purchase of up to 6.5 million or more lines of System X during the next two years, and covers the full range of the System X public exchange switching equipment, including local and trunk exchanges. Orders already placed under the agreement will add a further 2.7 million lines to British Telecom's rapidly expanding network of local System X exchanges.

GPT expects total sales of its System X exchanges to British Telecom to exceed $4.5 billion by the end of next year.

Over the last four years an intensive installation program has brought the number of operational System X exchanges worldwide to over 2,500. Nearly half of the British Telecom U.K. network now uses the system, and by the end of March 1992, British Telecom estimates that there will be more than 14 million digital lines of System X in service.

Barrie Lawson, group director of GPT Telecommunications Systems, said: "British Telecom has long identified System X as one of the best digital switches in the world. Its confidence in the equipment and its sophisticated software has been continually proven by the placement of further contracts under an ongoing agreement.

"GPT has constantly improved the system, with new developments being incorporated into operational equipment without loss of service. Both business and residential customers are gaining increasingly more value from their telecommunications, as well as a range of new facilities.

"System X developments currently include advanced intelligent networks, mobility on the fixed network, Centrex, ISDN, voice messaging, voice guidance and a large variety of custom calling features. GPT is also participating with British Telecom in its Bishop's Stortford trial, which will bring fiber optics into the home."

GPT is a global telecommunications company operating in major world markets. It is successful in many national and regional equipment telecommunications markets worldwide, with complete knowledge of local standards and procedures. GPT is also the parent of Stromberg-Carlson, the third leading supplier of digital central office lines in the United States with an installed base of over 3 million lines.

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SALT LAKE CITY, (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Bonneville Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: BPCO), reported first quarter revenues of $28,909,000 resulting in a loss of $1,105,000 or 9 cents per share based on 12,845,093 weighted average number of shares outstanding.

Revenues for the first quarter of the prior year totalled $9,954,000 and resulted in a loss of $1,306,000 or 10 cents per share based on 12,892,382 average shares outstanding.

According to Robert L. Wood, chairman of the board, the results for the first quarter were expected. Bonneville typically has had uneven quarter to quarter earnings and this trend could continue in the near future until the company accomplishes its stated long-term goals of predictable, recurring revenues. Bonneville expects to accomplish these goals by building larger facilities and retaining significant ownership interests in such facilities.

Bonneville currently has five major electric generating facility projects under development with a total estimated capacity of approximately 290 megawatts.

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CHICAGO, (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Oil-Dri Corporation of America (NASDAQ: OILC) today reported record sales of $94,192,000 for the year ended July 31, 1990, an increase of 14 percent over last year's sales of $82,596,000. Net income for the year, also a record, was $7,048,000, up 25 percent over the $5,643,000 earned in 1989. Earnings per share were $1.00 versus $.81 for last fiscal year.

Fourth quarter sales were $23,570,000, up 14 percent over the $20,759,000 reported for the same period a year ago. Net earnings were $1,775,000, a 43 percent increase over the $1,240,000 earned last year. Earnings per share were $0.25 for the quarter, as compared to $0.18 for the same period a year ago.

In July 1990 the company adopted SFAS No. 96 "Accounting for Income Taxes" issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board. The cumulative effect of this accounting change increased net income for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990 by $160,000 or $.02 per share. First quarter earnings were restated to reflect this change.

Commenting on the results for the year and the quarter, Richard M. Jaffee, Oil-Dri's president, stated, "Increased earnings are the result of improved margins, increased sales of value added products, and continued control of promotional spending and administrative costs. We have made significant

progress on our strategic goals.

"The consumer products division had excellent sales for the year. Cat's Pride(R) Premium, Oil-Dri's branded product, is the category's fastest growing cat litter. The success of the marketing plan behind Cat's Pride has increased sales and profits for the division.

"Control(see note) and Fresh Step(see note) Cat Litters, manufactured for The Clorox Co., also performed well for the year. Fresh Step held firm as the second best selling cat litter in the category, and Control expanded its sales and distribution during the year.

"A major contributor to the increased sales of the fourth quarter were the new Lite Sorbents made from polypropylene. With the purchase of Industrial Environmental Products Inc. (IEP) in April 1990, a merging of Oil-Dri's existing distributors with those of IEP began. The results have been quite successful, bringing Oil-Dri into the environmental spill response sorbents business.

"Another contribution to sales and profits was the expansion of domestic shipments of Pure-Flo(R) and the reopening of the bleaching clay market in Malaysia. After negotiations with appropriate government officials in Malaysia, some trade restrictions have been lifted and shipments at the end of the fourth quarter were very strong.

"Oil-Dri has entered the '90s with an aggressive plan to increase profitability, improve quality and service, and accelerate new product development. The company continues to increase sales of value added branded technical products. This strategy will help us attain our short-term goal to rebuild margins while contributing to our long-term goal to develop a larger, more sophisticated and profitable company.

"Looking forward to the upcoming year, we are mindful of developments in the Middle East and the potential impact on energy costs and the general economy. However, with continued focus on our goals for the '90s, we foresee exciting opportunities to accomplish our business objectives of defining and meeting the needs of the markets we serve."

Oil-Dri Corporation of America is a leader in developing, manufacturing and marketing sorbent technologies for consumer, agricultural, specialty and industrial applications. The corporation is headquartered at 520 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago.

(NOTE: CONTROL and FRESH STEP are registered trademarks of The Clorox Co.)

OIL-DRI CORPORATION OF AMERICA
FOURTH QUARTER AND ANNUAL EARNINGS (AUDITED)

Three Months Ended July 3 1	1990	1989	Percent

			Increase
Net sales	$23,570,000	$20,759,000	14
Income before taxes	2,366,000	1,703,000	39
Income taxes	591,000	463,000	28
Net income	$ 1,775,000	$ 1,240,000	43
Average shares outstanding (A)	7,062,313	7,002,764	
Net income per share (A)	$0.25	$0.18	39

Twelve Months Ended July 31	1990	1989	Percent Increase
Net sales	$94,192,000	$82,596,000	14
Income before taxes	9,137,000	7,483,000	22
Income taxes	2,089,000	1,840,000	14
Net income	$ 7,048,000	$ 5,643,000	25
Average shares outstanding (A)	7,042,376	7,002,769	
Net income per share (A)	$1.00	$0.81	24

(A) -- Adjusted for a 5-for-4 stock split-up effected in the form of a stock dividend on March 15, 1990.

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#90262p6105 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Trustees of HRE Properties (NYSE: HRE) declared a quarterly dividend of 45 cents per share at their regular meeting today. The dividend was declared at the same rate as the previous quarter and represents the 84th consecutive quarterly dividend since the trust began operations in 1969. It is payable Oct. 23, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 28, 1990.

Charles J. Urstadt, chairman and chief executive officer, said "Today's difficult real estate market and uncertain outlook for the economy make it prudent that we provide for contingencies and for future growth. Beginning in fiscal 1991, the Trustees expect to declare dividends at levels not exceeding the trust's funds from operations taking into account historic and expected fiscal results. HRE believes funds from operations to be the most significant indicator of the trust's performance." Urstadt noted that cumulative dividends of $1.15 per share paid during the first three quarters of 1990 exceeded funds from operations by about 10 cents per share so far in fiscal 1990.

HRE Properties is a self-administered equity real estate investment trust

providing investors with a means of participating in ownership of income-producing properties with investment liquidity.

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#90262p6111 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Edward P. Gould, chairman of Trust Company of Georgia and Trust Company Bank, Atlanta, has announced a plan providing for six Trust Company Banks in the metropolitan Atlanta market to become divisions of the Atlanta bank.

The plan is subject to formal approval by the boards of the Atlanta bank and the banks in Carroll, Clayton, Cobb, Gwinnett, Henry and Rockdale counties. This will also require approval of bank regulatory authorities.

"Metropolitan Atlanta continues to be the most attractive of the larger metropolitan areas served by SunTrust Banks Inc.," Gould said. "We believe that bringing all of our metro Atlanta operations under one umbrella will allow us to serve the total market more effectively and with great efficiency. We are convinced this will produce economies of scale and will benefit our customers."

Gould explained that each division will have its own divisional president and advisory board. He noted that SunTrust (NYSE: STI), the parent holding company of Trust Company, has had excellent experience in establishing similar divisional structures at seven other banks in Georgia and at several others in Florida and Tennessee.

The division presidents will report to Tom Morris, who has headed Trust Company Bank of Gwinnett County. Morris will report to Charles B. Ginden, executive vice president of the Atlanta bank.

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#90262p6113 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEBSTER GROVES, MO (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Reliable Life Insurance Company, at a meeting held today, declared regular quarterly dividend of $.30 on each class A common share, and 2-8/11 cents on each class B common share, and special dividends of $.055 on each class A common share and 5/10 cents on each class B common share. These dividends are payable Dec. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 2, 1990.

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#90262p6116 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNRISE, FL (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - In a cooperative effort to attract new customers with a total network solutions package, MCI (NASDAQ: MCIC) and Racal-Milgo have signed a joint marketing agreement.

Under terms of the agreement, MCI and Racal-Milgo have agreed to cooperate in the sale of voice and data communications products and services. MCI has agreed to sell Racal-Milgo customer premise equipment and network design and support services. Racal-Milgo, in turn, has agreed to sell MCI voice and data services.

The initial Racal-Milgo product set to be covered under the agreement is the company's Excalibur series of digital and analog access devices and the Communications Management Series (CMS) 400 network management systems. Included in the capabilities of Excalibur digital access products is a unique multiport-multidrop application which increases the cost savings in digital services. Racal's network support services covered under the agreement include network design and optimization, installation and maintenance.

MCI offerings covered under the agreement include its point-to-point Digital Data Service and its point-to-point and multipoint Digital Private Line Service. These digital services are used for voice and data communications at transmission speeds of up to 56 kilobits per second.

MCI, headquartered in Washington, D.C., provides a full range of telcommunications services to businesses, residences and government agencies. The company owns and operates the world's second largest communications network, employing advanced fiber optics, digital microwave, satellite and digital switching technologies.

Racal-Milgo, headquartered in Sunrise, Fla., is an international manufacturer and supplier of integrated communcitions systems and services. From digital to analog and fiber optics, the company offers network management systems capable of controlling and integrating wide area and local area networks; LAN/WAN interconnect systems; statistical, subrate and T1 multiplexers; digital access systems; dial-up and leased-line modems; packet networks and data encryption devices. Beyond the manufacture and design of hardware and software, Racal-Milgo also offers network services including design and optimization, the management of customer networks, satellite communication network services and turnkey network implementation.

Racal-Milgo is the largest Racal Data Communications Group (RDCG) firm, and the largest contributor of revenues and profits to the group. One of Racal's principal business areas, RDCG reported fiscal year 1990 revenues of more than

$553 million. Racal-Milgo's parent company is U.K.-based Racal Electronics Plc, a multinational organization of more than 100 principal electronics companies worldwide and $3.2 billion in fiscal year 1990 revenues.

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#90262p6117 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Pacific Corporation (NYSE: SPC) today announced senior management changes following a meeting of the board of directors of its Arizona affiliate, Security Pacific Bancorporation Southwest.

Ronald Azzolina, 47, formerly president & chief operating officer, has been named president and chief executive officer of Security Pacific Bancorporation Southwest and Security Pacific Bank Arizona. He also serves as chairman of the board of Security Pacific Bank Nevada.

James P. Albo, 41, formerly executive vice president heading the Retail Branch System of Security Pacific Bank Arizona, has been named vice chairman and chief operating officer of Security Pacific Bancorporation Southwest and Security Pacific Bank Arizona, subject to regulatory approvals.

Robert L. Matthews, 52, formerly chairman of the board and chief executive officer, will continue to serve as chairman of the board of Security Pacific Bancorporation Southwest and Security Pacific Bank Arizona.

Day-to-day management of the corporation will be handled by Azzolina. Albo will continue to be in charge of SPBA's branch banking system of 92 statewide offices. Matthews will have primary responsibility for business development and the community affairs activities of the company.

Azzolina was named president and chief operating officer of Security Pacific Bancorporation Southwest and Security Pacific Bank Arizona, and chairman of Security Pacific Bank Nevada, in April. He was previously president and chief executive officer of Security Pacific Bank N.A., Security Pacific Corp.'s wholly owned credit card subsidiary in Tempe, Ariz. He began his career with Security Pacific Bank in California in 1965 in the retail banking system. He held senior management positions in the financial and operations support groups, and also has several years experience in the hotel industry and in financial services consulting. Azzolina holds bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Southern California, and is a graduate of Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program. He resides in Paradise Valley with his wife, Donna.

Albo joined Security Pacific in 1978 as an executive intern. He held posts as vice president and division manager in the Real Estate Management Division;

director of Security Pacific Brokers Institutional Services Business; president and chief executive officer of SP Financial Centers Inc.; and senior vice president of the California Retail Bank's Human Resources Department. He was named executive vice president of SPBA's retail bank in July of 1989. Albo holds a bachelor's degree from West Point, and a master of business administration from the Harvard Graduate School of Business. He resides in North Scottsdale with his wife, Patricia.

Matthews began his banking career in 1959 as a management trainee with The Arizona Bank, now Security Pacific Bank Arizona. He held increasingly responsible positions over the years, and was named Executive Vice President heading Loan Division Administration in 1972. He was named to the bank's board of directors in 1977, and became President of Arizona Bancwest Corporation in 1982. Matthews was named president and chief operating officer in 1985, and chief executive officer in 1987. He was named chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Security Pacific Bancorporation Southwest and Security Pacific Bank Arizona in 1988. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha, and resides in Paradise Valley with his wife, Elizabeth.

Security Pacific Corporation is the fifth largest bank holding company in the United States, with over $94 billion in assets. SPC operates banks in Arizona, Nevada, California, Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska.

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#90262p6120 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania was granted a 3.8 percent general revenue increase today by the Public Utility Commission (PUC) but Columbia said only cold weather, not higher rates, will raise customers' bills this winter.

In fact, overall gas bills could even decline, said Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania President Gary J. Robinson.

Robinson explained that the reason the general rate increase will not translate into higher bills is that Columbia has reduced its costs of purchasing gas for customers.

Today's change in the base rate portion of customers' bills covers costs for Columbia operations other than the cost of buying gas. The reduction in purchased gas costs was approved last week by the PUC.

As a result of today's decision, the overall bill of the average Columbia customer, based on usage of 10,000 cubic feet of gas a month on an annual basis, will be $60.89, reflecing the gas cost reduction and the general rate change. This compares to the current average bill of $60.93.

The new rate levels will be reflected simultaneously in customer bills starting early in October.

"It's significant that our residential service rates will still be about 11 percent lower than they were in September 1984," Robinson said.

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#90262p6121 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of Reuters Holdings PLC (NASDAQ: RTRSY) today appointed Rob Rowley and Mark Wood as executive directors. Rowley, formerly deputy finance director and joint secretary, becomes finance director. Wood is Reuters editor-in-chief. Both were previously alternate directors.

Rowley replaces Nigel Judah who resigned as finance director. Judah, who remains with Reuters as company secretary, said he had resigned in order to reduce his workload while recovering from a bout of ill-health. He formerly filled the dual roles of finance director and joint secretary. A chartered accountant, he will be 60 in December. He has been a director of Reuters since 1981 and finance director of Reuters Holdings PLC since its flotation in 1984. He has worked for Reuters for 35 years in a variety of senior financial and administrative capacities.

Reuters Holdings PLC supplies the global business community and news media with a wide range of facilities including real-time financial data and transaction services, access to numeric and textual historical databases, news and news pictures. Reuters has a controlling interest in Visnews, the international television news agency, and Reuter group companies design and install trading room systems. Reuters obtains information from around 160 exchanges and over-the-counter markets and from a network of some 1,310 journalists, photographers and cameramen. It distributes information through approximately 200,000 video terminals and teleprinters. This includes information directly transmitted to client's computers.

Robert (Rob) Rowley, born Aug. 3, 1949, joined Reuters as an assistant financial manager in 1978. In 1979 he was appointed financial manager, Reuters Europe. He became finance and administration manager, Reuters Europe in 1984. He was appointed joint secretary in February 1988, with responsibility for worldwide management information systems and secretarial activities, and group financial controller in January 1989. He was appointed alternate director to Nigel Judah in June 1989. He is a member of the executive committee. He was appointed deputy finance director in July 1990. Rowley is married and has two children.

Mark Wood, born March 28, 1952, joined Reuters as a trainee journalist in 1976. He served as a correspondent in Vienna, East Berlin and Moscow between 1978 and 1985, when he was made chief correspondent, West Germany. Two years later he was appointed editor, Europe, and in 1988 he was given responsibility for editorial systems strategy. Wood became editor, Europe, Middle East and Africa, in January 1989 and was made editor-in-chief the following May. He was appointed a member of the executive committee in February 1989 and an alternate director to Reuters Managing Committee in February 1989 and an alternate director to Reuters Managing Director Glen Renfrew, in June. He is also a director of Visnews.

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#90262p6123 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HONOLULU, HI. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - In a move aimed at further expediting car-rental service for inter-island business travelers, Hertz has unveiled "Hertz Islander Service." The new, faster service, exclusive for Hawaii residents, eliminates lines, waiting and rental agreements to sign. A pre-printed rental agreement is already waiting in the rental car even before the business renter arrives. The renter's initial signature on the Hertz Islander Service enrollment agreement is the only one required.

Hertz Islander Service is available at major airports in Hawaii- Honolulu, Kahului, Lihue, Hilo, Kona, Princeville, and West Maui.

The business renter just shows driver's license at any Hertz Islander Service counter or on-board any Hertz courtesy shuttle bus and picks up rental car keys. When the car is returned, the renter just fills in the pre-printed rental agreement and drops it off in the conveniently located Express Return box.

To qualify for Hertz Islander Service, a business renter becomes a Hertz No. 1 Club Gold member. The first annual Hertz No. 1 Club Gold membership fee is waived.

If customers sign up for Hertz Islander Service before Oct. 31, they receive:

-- A free additional weekend day coupon when customer pays for one day of weekend rental.

-- 1,000 bonus miles on United Mileage Plus for joining and 500 bonus miles with every qualifying rental.

-- In-car, pre-printed rental agreements. -- Kamaaina rates -- special low rates available to Hawaii residents only -- both in Hawaii and on the mainland.

For reservations and information, Hawaii residents can call their travel agent or the special Hertz Islander Service toll-free number, 1-800-654-8200. With Hertz Islander Service, reservations can be made in as little as two hours in advance.

Hertz, the world's largest car-rental company, is represented in more than 5,000 locations in over 120 countries.

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#90262p6126 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Deltona Corporation (NYSE: DLT) announced today that is board of directors rejected the proposal recently submitted by Empire of Carolina, Inc. that would have given Empire the right to convert $1 million of monies advanced to Deltona under Empire's prior conditional commitment into shares of Deltona's common stock at $1 per share.

Empire, which holds approximately 39 percent of Deltona's common stock, has loaned Deltona the sum of $750,000 since May 1990 under that conditional commitment and has committed to advancing the company an additional $250,000 by Oct. 8, 1990. Notwithstanding the action of Deltona's board, Empire has determined to stand by its commitment to loan Deltona the additional $250,000.

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MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Cargill today announced plans to open representative offices in Moscow and Warsaw as a preparatory step to making investments in the Soviet Union and Poland.

Cargill has had trading relationships with the two countries for more than 25 years, but has no physical presence there.

Juels Carlson, president of Cargill's Minneapolis-based worldwide molasses operations since July 1987, will head the Moscow office. Edgar T. Savidge will manage the Warsaw office. He formerly was account manager of Cargill's soybean processing plant in Liverpool, England.

Carlson joined Cargill in 1965 and, while in charge of the company's Tokyo office from 1983 to 1987, was responsible for broad-based business activities in Japan, South Korea and Taiwan. For two years prior to that, he was manager of the Oils, Oilseeds and Meals Department of Cargill International S.A. in Geneva, Switzerland, which handles much of the trading with the U.S.S.R.

Before going to Liverpool in 1986, Savidge held various management and merchandising positions in Cargill's domestic soybean processing and cattle-feeding operations. He also worked in the Geneva office in 1973-74 merchandising soybean meal. Savidge joined Cargill in 1970.

The Warsaw office is scheduled to open Oct. 1, followed by the Moscow office in early 1991.

Leonard Alderson, chairman of Cargill International S.A., will supervise the new offices in Moscow and Warsaw.

Cargill's trading involvement with the U.S.S.R. has centered on Soviet imports of grains, oilseeds and oilseed products from worldwide origins. In addition, Cargill has sold the Russians frozen concentrated orange juice, sugar, cotton, cocoa, coffee, malt and rubber.

Cargill's annual sales of grain, oilseeds and oilseed products to the Soviet Union over the past 15 years have ranged between 4 and 8.5 million metric tons Alderson said.

Cargill also participates in the Soviet export of crude oil, petroleum products and fertilizer, and purchases ocean-shipping services from the U.S.S.R. On some occasions the value of these purchases from the Soviets has exceeded Cargill's comparable annual dollar sales to the Soviet Union, Alderson said.

Cargill's commercial relationships with Poland include more than 25 years of grain and soybean meal sales and extensive chartering of ocean vessels. In some years, Alderson said, the volume of this activity has exceeded 3 million metric tons.

Alderson said Cargill and Polish companies also have engaged in large counter-trade transactions that involved -- in addition to items that Cargill normally trades -- Polish imports such as tea, lemons, meat, personal computers and videotapes.

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#90262p6130 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Oregon Resources Corp. is pleased to report that the 1990 exploration program at the Flat Gold property in Alaska is progressing on schedule. A diamond core rig arrived on site in early July and is currently drilling 24 hours a day. Exploration is focused on the Chicken Mountain stock, a very large mozonite intrusive which hosts widespread gold mineralization. Streams draining the Chicken Mountain

intrusive have produced over 1.5 million documented ounces of placer gold, making the Flat Mining district the sixth richest placer area in Alaska.

Work to date has outlined a very large soil and trench gold geochemical anomaly, centered on Chicken Mountain. The anomaly is over 8,000 feet long and up to 500 feet wide. A significant portion of the anomaly contains gold values between 500 ppb (0.015 ounce per ton gold) and 1000 ppb (0.030 ounce per ton gold) with coincident anomalous mercury, arsenic and antimony values.

The 1990 exploration program for the 128 square mile property is being managed by the Fairbanks Gold Ltd. exploration team. The U.S. $600,000 program includes geologic mapping, geochemical sampling, extensive trenching and approximately 10,000 feet of diamond core drilling.

A summary of field work carried out in 1988 and 1989 is currently being compiled and will be released shortly. Results from the 1990 trenching and drilling program will also be forthcoming.

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#90262p6138 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Art Guard Inc., of Los Angeles, has in principal reached an agreement with Summit Fine Art Inc. Summit will exclusively use the Art Guard system on all of its published editions for five years, and will use Art Guard's registration system exclusively in two other Summit divisions. The potential gross revenues from the contract may exceed $3.2 million for Art Guard Inc. over the five-year term depending on the number of sales and publications made by Summit during this period. No assurance can be made as to actual number of sales which may be made by Summit during this five-year period.

Art Guard Inc. employs a patented system that protects fine art from forgery through use of an invisible fingerprint. The print, which also contains synthesized DNA to deter forgery, is combined with a computerized registration system to fully protect art buyers. Art Guard Inc. has been in development and is expected to formally launch additional sales at Art Expo Cal, at the Los Angeles Convention Center Oct. 4-7.

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#90262p6143 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGTON HILLS, MICH. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Michigan National Corporation (OTC: MNCO) voted to pay a quarterly cash dividend on the corporation's common stock of 50 cents per share, payable on Oct. 12, 1990, to

shareholders of record as of Oct. 1, 1990.

Michigan National Corporation is a diversified financial services corporation with total assets of $11.6 billion. It is a bank holding company and a savings and loan holding company.

Michigan National Corporation's principal subsidiary, Michigan National Bank, has 200 branches throughout Michigan and operates the state's largest automated teller machine network.

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#90262p6146 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Harris Adacom Corp., based in Dallas, announced today the acquisition of Recognition Equipment Inc.'s (NYSE: REC) subsidiaries in France and Belgium.

This acquisition will expand Harris Adacom's operations coverage in Belgium, Luxemborg and France. The company currently has operations in the United Kingdom, Holland, Germany, Spain, Hong Kong, Israel, Mexico, Canada and the United States.

Moti Gura, chairman and CEO of Harris Adacom said, "The addition of REI's French and Belgian subsidiaries will put our company at a $200 million annualized rate and complements our corporate strategic thrust of being a prime player in the rapidly growing European Community."

James J. Byrne, president of Harris Adacom stated that, "These new expanded markets in Europe place Harris Adacom in a unique position in the emerging worldwide network integration market." Harris Adacom, headquartered in Dallas, is one of the most widely recognized and respected suppliers of data communications products and services worldwide. The company is committed to providing total network integration solutions to its worldwide base of customers which includes many Fortune 1000 companies, educational institutions and government agencies.

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#90262p6147 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MICH. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - At a regular board of directors meeting held today, the board of directors of Howell Industries, Inc. (AMEX: HOW) declared a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share payable Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 19, 1990.

Howell Industries, Inc. today also announced the following operating results for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990:

HOWELL INDUSTRIES, INC.

	Fiscal Year Ended		Three Months Ended	
	7/31/90	7/31/89	7/31/90	7/31/89
	(Audited)		(Unaudited)	
Net sales	$43,901,724	$65,075,247	$11,992,433	$15,782,075
Earnings after income taxes	2,341,466	3,442,613	1,014,561	577,346
Per-share earnings(a)	$2.61	$3.57	$1.13	$.64

(a) -- Based on 898,269 shares at July 31, 1990, and 964,434 shares at July 31 1989, the average number of shares outstanding during the period. The actual number of shares outstanding on July 31, 1990, was 896,505.

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ANN ARBOR, MICH. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Great Lakes Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: GLBC) today declared a dividend of 20 cents per share on common stock for the third quarter of 1990. The directors also approved a dividend of $2.50 per share on preferred stock for the third quarter of 1990. Both dividends will be paid Oct. 15 to recordholders as of Oct. 1, 1990.

It will be Great Lakes' 23rd consecutive dividend on common stock since the bank began paying dividends in April 1985. Owners of preferred stock will be receiving their first quarterly dividend following the bank's offering of preferred shares in June. The offering generated $27 million in capital for the bank.

Great Lakes Bancorp has 52 branches in Michigan and operates Dollar Federal Savings Bank, with five branches in Hamilton, Ohio. Great Lakes also operates Great Lakes Mortgage Co., a mortgage banking subsidiary. With $3.7 billion in assets, Great Lakes Bancorp is Michigan's second- largest savings bank.

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#90262p6157 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - BMC Industries, Inc. (NYSE: BMC) today announced that it anticipates a loss of approximately 25 cents per share for

its third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990. BMC also stated that in spite of anticipated record fourth quarter earnings, its 1990 calendar year net earnings are expected to be approximately 15 percent lower than 1989 earnings.

Robert J. Carlson, BMC's CEO, stated, "Experience has shown us that each new state-of-the-art color television aperture mask we introduced into the production cycle brought with it unique manufacturing problems requiring numerous process changes before achieving acceptable yield and quality levels.

During the third quarter we executed a complete upgrade of all the manufacturing lines in our Cortland, New York aperture mask plant. This refurbishment incorporated many of the process improvements called for in producing state-of-the-art masks.

This upgrade program also required more time than originally anticipated, resulting in a significant reduction in manufacturing days available to us, with a concomitant loss of earnings for the period.

Our optimistic view of the fourth quarter is based on the very successful production of difficult aperture mask designs since the refurbishment was completed, as well as a full order book for Cortland aperture masks for the balance of the year."

CONTACT: Merle D. Kerr of BMC, 612-851-6020

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#90262p6160 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Green Giant Frozen Foods has assigned its local market advertising to Viking Creative Concepts, Minneapolis. Sources said that Viking, a long-time Green Giant project agency, was named agency of record to develop and maintain a consistent image-oriented print ad campaign for the company's local marketing efforts.

CONTACT: Daryl Orris of Viking Creative Concepts, 612-870-4774; or Bud Floyd of Green Giant, 612-330-7365

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#90262p6164 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Kent Kresa, Northrop Corporation (NYSE: NOC) president and chief executive officer, today was elected chairman of the board.

Kresa, 52, succeeds Thomas V. Jones, 70, who is retiring as chairman. Kresa retains his responsibilities as president and chief executive officer. Jones will remain a member of the board.

Jones, who turned 70 this summer, retired as chief executive officer last year and has not been active in the management of the company since then. He said his retirement now from the responsibilties of chairman was made possible by the smooth evolution that has taken place within the company since Kent Kresa took over as chief executive officer.

"You have clearly established your leadership of the company, and you have gained the confidence of the Northrop employees, the board of directors, our customers and the defense community," Jones told Kresa. "The time has come now to complete the orderly transition of Northrop's top leadership."

Kresa served as president and chief operating officer of Northrop from 1987 and became chief executive officer in January, 1990. During that period, Kresa undertook a widespread program to reduce costs and improve the company's efficiency and operating performance by consolidating and streamlining the operations of several of Northrop's divisions and resource centers. By the end of the year total Northrop employment will be about 38,000 people, down about 20 percent from 1987. The number of corporate officers and staff vice presidents has been cut 25 percent in the last year alone, part of a gradual transition in which 60 percent of the senior corporate executives have retired or have left the company since 1987.

Despite the contraction in the defense business, at the end of the second quarter Northrop reported a business backlog of $6.5 billion, the largest in its history. The company expects sales this year to be about the same as last year's $5.2 billion.

"For more than three decades, Jones played an enormous role in building this company and establishing the tradition for technical excellence that earned us the responsibilities of prime contractor for programs such as the B-2 bomber and the YF-23 Advanced Tactical Fighter, both now in the midst of successful flight validation programs," said Kresa.

"With the talents and dedication and integrity of the men and women in this company today," he said, "Northrop will continue to make even greater contributions to our country's defense and its world leadership in aerospace in the decades ahead of us."

Jones joined Northrop in 1953 as assistant to the chief engineer. In 1958 he was named senior vice president-Development Planning. He was elected president in 1959, chief executive officer in 1960 and chairman of the board in 1963. He retired as chief executive officer at the end of 1989.

Kresa joined Northrop in 1975 as vice president and general manager of the Northrop Research and Technology Center.

From 1976 to 1982 he was corporate vice president and general manager of the Ventura Division, a leader in the design, development and production of

unmanned aeronautical vehicles.

He was vice president of Northrop's Aircraft Group from 1982 until being elected senior vice president in March 1986, and subsequently president and chief operating officer in February, 1987.

Before he joined Northrop, Kresa served with the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA).

CONTACT: Ron Owens of Northrop, 213-201-3004

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#90262p6167 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Baldwin Securities Corporation (AMEX: BAL) announced today that the company experienced a net loss for the six month period ended June 30, 1990 of $368,000 ($.17 per share) a decrease of approximately $941,000 from the net income of $573,000 ($.27 per share) reported for the six month period ended June 30, 1989.

The company reported total operating revenues of approximately $421,000, a decrease of approximately $806,000 (65.7 percent) from the total operating revenues reported for the six month period ended June 30, 1989, and total expenses of approximately $807,000, a decrease of $680,000 (45.7 percent) from the total expenses reported for the six month period ended June 30, 1989. The net loss for the six month period ended June 30, 1990, as compared to the net income for the comparable ended June 30, 1989, is primarily attributable to the company's receipt during 1989 of $843,000 in interest on a federal tax refund combined with the reduction in interest income due to the contraction of the company's loan portfolio.

CONTACT: Kenneth S. Horn of Baldwin Securities, 212-826-2100

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#90262p6168 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank South (NASDAQ: BKSO) will announce tomorrow the launch of Kroger Cash II, which will provide Bank South checking and savings customers with a 5 percent discount on groceries purchased at participating Kroger stores through the end of 1991.

The savings are achieved through the purchase of Kroger Cash II certificates which are sold for $19 but are redeemable for $20 worth of groceries. The certificates are the same size as "real" $20 bills and are available at any of over 90 Bank South offices located throughout metro Atlanta, Conyers, Macon or Warner Robins.

Kroger Cash II will also be available 24 hours a day at 47 Bank South

automated teller machines (ATMs) located in metro Atlanta Kroger stores.

Bank South was awarded a Gold Reggie, the top award from the Promotion Marketing Association of America, for the original Kroger Cash promotion which was executed in 1989. Kroger Cash II, which will last more than twice as long as the original eight-month Kroger Cash promotion, will be supported by radio, newspaper, direct mail and collateral advertising. McCann-Erickson, Atlanta is the advertising agency for Bank South.

Kroger Cash II is redeemable for purchases in Kroger stores, including items from the pharmacy, but excluding alcohol and tobacco products. The certificates may be used in conjunction with manufacturers' coupons to obtain even deeper discounts.

Beindorff said Kroger Cash II enhances Bank South's strategy of providing unique and convenient services, such as seven-day banking until 8 p.m. in metro Atlanta Kroger stores and access to the state's largest cash machine network of 242 ATMs.

Bank South is an Atlanta-based $5.5 billion multi-bank holding company with offices throughout Georgia and the Florida panhandle.

CONTACT: Matt Lewis of Bank South, 404-529-4725

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#90262p6169 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HADDON TOWNSHIP, NJ (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First Peoples Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: FPNJ), parent company of First Peoples Bank of New Jersey, today declared that it has instituted regular quarterly cash dividends on its common shares, with the dividends to be payable in the first month of each calendar quarter.

The first dividend of 37.5 cents per share will be payable Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 1.

First Peoples common stock is traded over the counter on the NASDAQ National Market System, using the symbol FPNJ.

First Peoples Financial Corp., with $1 billion in assets at June 30, 1990, is the largest bank holding company headquartered in southern New Jersey. The bank's 31 offices serve Burlington, Camden, Cumberland and Gloucester counties.

CONTACT: Joanne Rosen of First Peoples Financial Corp., 609-858-7673

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#90262p6175 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Martin D. Payson, vice chairman and general counsel of Time Warner Inc. (NYSE: TWX), will devote his full time and attention to serve the corporation as vice chairman working with Time Warner's co-chief executive officers and, in that connection, will relinquish his responsibilities as general counsel, the company announced today. Peter R. Haje, a senior corporate partner with Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison will become executive vice president and general counsel of Time Warner, reporting to Time Warner's co-CEOs.

These changes in executive responsibilities, which take effect Oct. 1, were approved by the Time Warner board of directors and announced today by Steven J. Ross, Time Warner chairman and co-CEO, and N.J. Nicholas Jr., president and co-CEO.

Payson, 54, currently is one of two vice chairmen of Time Warner Inc. Beginning as Warner Communications Inc.'s (WCI) general counsel in 1970, he also became vice president in 1972, senior vice president in 1979 and executive vice president in 1982. He was elected to the WCI board in 1976. Prior to the merger of Time Inc. and WCI, he was a member of WCI's office of the president, in addition to general counsel. Payson is active in many organizations and currently serves as co- chairman of the entertainment division of the United Jewish Appeal/Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York; a director of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund; a director of the Legal Aid Society of New York; a trustee of Howard University and a member of The President's Council of Tulane University.

Payson was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., and received an A.B. from Cornell University (1957) and an LL.B., cum laude, from New York University (1961). He and his wife Dottie reside in Long Island, N.Y.

Peter Haje, the new Time Warner general counsel, joined Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison in 1960 and became a partner in 1969. Among his many professional accomplishments, he played a major legal and strategic role during the 1970s fiscal crisis in New York City helping to create the Municipal Assistance Corporation.

Haje was born July 31, 1934 in Jamaica, Queens. He graduated from Cornell University with an A.B. (1955) and has an LL.B. (1960) from Harvard Law School. He and his wife Helen reside in New York City.

CONTACT: Edward Adler of Time Warner, 212-484-6630

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#90262p6176 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The following is a statement by Paul, Weiss Wharton & Garrison:

Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison confirmed today that one of its partners, Peter R. Haje, has agreed to join Time Warner Inc. as executive vice president and general counsel. The Paul, Weiss spokesman, Edward N. Costikyan, said that Haje, who had joined the firm directly after graduating from Harvard Law School in 1960, would be missed but that the firm understood his wish to pursue a new challenge in which he expects to continue working closely with colleagues and friends at both Time Warner and Paul, Weiss. Haje participated in the firm's representation of Time Warner since the merger of those companies in January 1990 and for many years previously had been active in the firm's representation of Warner Communications.

CONTACT: Edward N. Costikyan of Time Warner, 212-373-3332

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#90262p6177 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARAMUS, N.J. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Toys "R" Us, Inc. (NYSE: TOY) announced today that its board of directors has authorized a share repurchase program under which the company is authorized to purchase up to 5,000,000 shares of common stock. Shares repurchased would be available for the company's stock option program and other corporate purposes.

Toys "R" Us is the world's largest toy specialty retailing chain with 420 toy stores in the United States, 75 international toy stores and 164 Kids "R" Us children's clothing stores.

CONTACT: Michael Goldstein of Toys "R" Us, Inc., 201-599-6981 or Lawrence a. Rand, of Kekst & Company, 212-593-2655

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#90262p6184 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Digital Corp. (AMEX: WDC) today announced its WDAB130 and WDAH260, a pair of AT- compatible, 2.5-inch, intelligent disk drives. The WDAB130 and WDAH260 are the industry's first 30- and 60-megabyte 2.5-inch disk drives.

The WDAB130 features a formatted capacity of 31.5 megabytes with a 19 millisecond average seek time. At 0.6 inches (15.24 millimeters) in height and 144 grams in weight, it is the industry's lightest, lowest profile 2.5-inch drive. The WDAH260 features a formatted capacity of 62.9 megabytes with a 19 millisecond average seek time. With double the capacity of the WDAB130, the WDAH260 is 0.75 inches (19 millimeters) in height and 160 grams in weight.

Ideally suited for today's more powerful laptop and notebook- sized personal computers, evaluation units of both drives will be available in the fourth calendar quarter, 1990, with volume production slated in the first calendar

quarter, 1991. Prices for evaluation units are $325 for the WDAB130 and $495 for the WDAH260.

"These new drives are interarchitected with our WD7600LP systems chipset, designed for 80286- or 80386SX-laptop and notebook personal computers, to provide our customers with a full-featured, 100 percent AT-compatible system solution," said Kathryn A. Braun, executive vice president, Western Digital Corp. "Through interachitecture (TM), we design our chips, intelligent disk drives and subsystems in concert to provide original equipment manufacturers with a complete, tested system solution with increased system performance."

"Initial product acceptance of our 2.5-inch disk drives is strong among the leading laptop and notebook personal computer manufacturers who are now designing their next generation machines," said Arif Shakeel, vice president of storage products. Shakeel noted that in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990, Western Digital shipped 1.8 million 3.5-inch intelligent drives representing $391 million in revenue, to achieve one of the leading positions in the 3.5-inch market.

Western Digital Corp., headquartered in Irvine, is a multinational company that designs, develops, manufactures and markets semiconductors, subsystems and intelligent disk drives for original equipment manufacturers and resellers which serve the microcomputer industry.

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#90262p6186 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Cedar Group Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CDRG), which recently announced its intention to acquire Sayerville, N.J.-based Gardenbolt International Corp. for $5.5 million cash, said today it is now renegotiating those terms with the principals of Gardenbolt.

According to the company, "In response to requirements of our funding sources, and in light of the recent decline in the price of Cedar Group's common stock, management is reluctant to accumulate substantial debt in the present economy."

"Cedar Group's current balance sheet is strong and highly unleveraged," stated the company.

The company further stated, "The company is hopeful that it will be able to renegotiate the terms of the Gardenbolt acquisition so that such terms meet both our concerns and financing guidelines. If such discussions are not successful the acquisition would have to be postponed."

CONTACT: C. Lawrence Rutstein, chairman of Cedar Group, 215-843-2561

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#90262p6192 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
LONDON (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Maxwell, publisher and chief executive of Mirror Group plc and Gerd Schulte-Hillen, chief executive of Gruner & Jahr AG announced today that they have completed agreement for the acquisition of Berliner Verlag, East Germany's largest newspaper and magazine publisher through their 50/50 joint venture company. Additionally, agreement has been reached for the two partners to acquire a 55 percent holding in Druckzentrum Berlin, Berliner Verlag's associated printer.

As previously announced Gruner & Jahr will be the managing partner of Berliner Verlag's publishing activities and Mirror Group plc will be the managing partner with regard to the printing activities.

CONTACT: Robert Maxwell of Mirror Group, 071-822-2000

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#90262p6196 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
HIGH POINT, N.C. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Roy T. Mitchell, President of LADD's American of Martinsville residential casegoods division, announced today that Dave Scarangella has been appointed National Sales Manager and Nancy Gordon has been appointed Manager of Administration of the retail division.

Commenting on the promotion, Mitchell said, "Both Dave and Nancy have done an excellent job of strengthening American of Martinsville's residential casegoods and occasional product line and enhancing the company's reputation throughout the U.S. and Canada. Despite general furniture industry sluggishness during the past year, the company has continued to increase its sales and earnings, which is a real tribute to their contribution to the overall team effort."

Scarangella's promotion to National Sales Manager will require more involvement and reponsibilities in expanding the American of Martinsville line with major accounts both on a national and regional basis. He joined American of Martinsville in March of 1989, working in the areas of sales management, advertising and administration. Scarangella has been in the furniture industry since 1986, working for 2 1/2 years as casegoods editor for "Furniture Today." Scarangella is a 1978 graduate of Virginia Tech, and earned an M.B.A. from UNC-Greensboro in 1989.

In addition to the responsibility for customer service, Gordon will assume the responsibilty for inventory planning/control and for sales planning and forecasting. She has 20 years experience in all administrative areas of the furniture industry. During the past four years, Nancy has been Manager of Customer Service for American of Martinsville and has spent a total of 12

years with LADD Furniture, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: LADF).

American of Martinsville residential casegoods manufactures and markets upper medium-priced residential wood bedroom, dining room and occasional furniture and curio cabinets in a variety of highly styled designs. The company is headquartered in High Point, N.C., with manufacturing operations in Martinsville, Va. LADD's other major furniture brand names include American Drew, Barclay, Brown Jordan, Clayton-Marcus, Daystrom, Design Horizons, Lea Industries and Pennsylvania House.

CONTACT: Roy T. Mitchell, American of Martinsville, 919-888-6346

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#90262p6203 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHESDA, MD (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Martin Marietta Corporation (NYSE: ML) said it has completed the initial sale in its planned divestiture of holdings of the corporation's Orlando Central Park, Inc., subsidiary in Orlando, Fla.

The sale, to three groups of investors, includes 150 acres of land for hotel and retail development and the Mercado Shopping Village in the Plaza International project. The price was $42.5 million.

Martin Marietta's 50 percent interest in the Orlando Peabody Hotel, a premier convention center headquarters hotel located in Plaza International, is not included in the divestiture program.

The corporation said efforts to complete its divestiture program, announced in Aug. 1989 to sell the majority of acreage currently owned by Orlando Central Park are continuing.

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#90262p6206 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH ANDOVER, MASS. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Software Service of America, Inc. (NASDAQ: SSOA) disclosed today that it is currently developing certain transactional banking software packages for International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) under a Master Works Agreement. The agreement calls for SSOA to provide IBM with one or more software packages using IBM's new Consumer Transaction (CT) system. SSOA will receive various fees and royalties under a long-term marketing agreement on the sales of the CT products developed by SSOA for IBM. The CT system is designed specifically to meet the unique requirements of financial institutions and utilizes IBM's powerful Personal System/2(a) and local area networking software.

The new CT applications will enable financial institutions to maximize the

profitability of their retail operations by giving them the tools to control costs, improve customer service and sell financial products more effectively. The company was unable to provide any further details concerning the agreement with IBM due to the strict confidential provisions of the agreement. However, Bertram R. Hickman, Jr., president of SSOA, stated that the agreement with IBM is the most important development in the company's 10-year history.

Software Services of America, Inc., is a developer of electronic banking software, supporting branch automation and retail funds transfer systems, utilizing mainframe computers, financial terminal systems and personal computers.

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#90262p6207 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH ANDOVER, MASS. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Software Services of America, Inc. (NASDAQ: SSOA) disclosed today that it is currently developing certain transactional banking software packages for International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) under a Master Works Agreement. The agreement calls for SSOA to provide IBM with one or more software packages using IBM's new Consumer Transaction (CT) system. SSOA will receive various fees and royalties under a long-term marketing agreement on the sales of the CT products developed by SSOA for IBM. The CT system is designed specifically to meet the unique requirements of financial institutions and utilizes IBM's powerful Personal System/2(a) and local area networking software.

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NOTE: (a)-Personal System/2 is a registered trademark of International Business Machines Corp.

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#90262p6208 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesaba Aviation, Inc. today received the Michigan Aeronautics Commission (MAC) annual Award of Excellence, which is given to an organization or individual whose contributions have led to significant improvements to aviation in Michigan.

Mesaba, a Minneapolis/St. Paul-based regional airline, was commended for expanding air service into eight Michigan communities. The airline operates as Northwest Airlink under an agreement with Northwest Airlines.

Mesaba has increased the number of flights to 74 daily departures in Michigan. The company has a statewide workforce of more than 340 employees which provided service to over 250,000 boarding and deplaning passengers from January to August 1990.

"Mesaba Airlines has proven it can accommodate the changing air service needs of Michigan residents," said Daniel Knopper, MAC chairman. "Through aggressive marketing and excellent service, the airline has made a tremendous difference in providing what Michigan air travelers need."

The airline serves passengers at Detroit Metro Airport, Kalamazoo, Pellston, Marquette, Houghton/Hancock, Muskegon, Flint and Traverse City.

CONTACT: Gerry Edwards of Michigan Aeronautics Commission, 517-373-1834

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#90262p6209 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIF. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Henry N. Lange has been named vice president, general manager, of the Support Division of McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co.

Lange began his career with Douglas Aircraft Co.'s Missile and Space Systems Division as a section chief in process control in 1967. Throughout his 23-year career he has been active in program management, production and quality related managerial positions, including eight years as director of quality assurance.

As director of performance improvement programs he helped facilitate the cultural change associated with the company's employee self-renewal process. He most recently served as deputy general manager, space products division.

Lange received both his bachelor's and master's degrees in management from California State University at Long Beach.

CONTACT: Sheila Carter or Anne McCauley of McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Company, 714-896-1302

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#90262p6210 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Jeep(R)/Eagle Division of Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today announced that two-time Formula One Champion and 1989 Indianapolis 500 winner Emerson Fittipaldi has signed an agreement to become a technical consultant for Jeep/Eagle.

"Emerson Fittipaldi's relationship will definitely be hands-on," said L.W. Baker, Jeep/Eagle Division general manager. "The performance evaluation and driving expertise he has acquired over his sensational racing career will be transferred to the street level particularly for new Eagle passenger cars.

"On top of that," he added, "his international style and flair are a perfect match for our target customers."

The Brazilian-born racing superstar will immediately assume his duties including evaluating, testing and consulting on all Jeep/Eagle products, both current and future.

"I see my role with the Jeep/Eagle Division as yet another challenge for myself," said Fittipaldi. "As a driving enthusiast, I consider a chance to influence the superb Eagle vehicles, especially a car like the Eagle Talon, and future Eagle vehicles a great opportunity."

Fittipaldi's automotive roots run deep. The son of famous racing journalist Wilson Fittipaldi, "Emmo," as he is nicknamed, began his racing career in 1963 at age 16, first on motorcycles and graduating to cars by 1965.

In 1967, Fittipaldi made his first mark on the racing world, winning the Brazilian Formula Vee Championship. Faster cars and international acclaim were just around the corner.

Promoted to Formula One racing in 1970 by Lotus team founder Colin Chapman, Fittipaldi, at age 23, became the world's youngest Formula One driver and just two years later became the youngest Formula One world champion.

After continued success in Formula One, including a second world title in 1974 Fittipaldi retired in 1980 only to return to racing in 1984 in the Indy Car series. Ultimate success in Fittipaldi's new racing venue was achieved in 1989 with his Indy 500 victory and the PPG Cup Indy Car title. With that title, Fittipaldi joined Mario Andretti as the only drivers ever to win Formula One and Indy Car world championships.

In 1990, Fittipaldi has earned more than $1 million for his Indy Car finishes, including almost $600,000 for placing third in the Indy 500, setting a new one-lap track record of 225.575 mph and winning the pole position.

Outside of actual racing, Fittipaldi is also the founder of the Miami-based Fittipaldi Motoring Accessories, Inc.

CONTACT: Rita M. McKay, 313-252-6593; or Jason H. Vines, 313-956-5346, both of Chrysler

-30- 2840

#90262p6212 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Viking Gas Transmission, a unit of Tenneco Gas, has announced its intention to accept the recent Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) order authorizing "open-access" transportation under Section 284 of the Commission's regulations. Such service will begin on Oct. 1.

Viking will accept and process requests for interruptible transportation service immediately. Requests for firm transportation service will be accepted beginning on Oct. 1, and a 10-day "open-season" for such firm service requests will extend until Oct. 10, 1990. After that, requests will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis.

Viking Gas Transmission encompasses nearly 500 miles of pipeline and eight compressor stations generating over 45,000 horsepower. The system -- one of only five gateways for Canadian gas -- extends from the United States/Canadian border near Emerson, Manitoba, through Minnesota to a terminus at an interconnection with ANR Pipeline Co. near Marshfield, Wis.

Tenneco Gas operates several open access pipelines in addition to Viking. The largest, Tennessee Gas Pipeline, has offered open-access transportation service since December 1986, and another, Midwestern Gas Transmission, has provided non-discriminatory service since October 1989.

Tenneco Gas is a division of Tenneco Inc. (NYSE: TGT), a diversified company with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, shipbuilding, automotive parts, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

CONTACT: Neil Nixon of Tenneco Gas, 713-757-3325, for Viking Gas Transmission

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#90262p6235 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - American General Corp. (NYSE: AGC) today announced that the board of directors has authorized management to add a restructuring plan as an alternative to the current efforts to sell the

company as a whole. This revises the sale process originally announced at the May 2, 1990 annual shareholders' meeting.

The restructuring plan would provide for the sale of the Home Service insurance companies--which account for over half of American General's current operating earnings--and the continuation of a publicly owned holding company composed of the remaining operations.

"There are four primary reasons for taking this action now," said Harold S. Hook, chairman and chief executive officer. "First, although we will continue in our efforts to sell the company as a whole, the interest shown thus far in the process has been primarily in the parts--particularly Home Service--and not in acquiring the entire company. Second, we believe that the new restructuring plan is the 'next-best' alternative to the sale of the company as a whole. Third, in order to implement this restructuring plan on a basis that is attractive both to potential buyers and American General shareholders, a number of steps involving the realignment of American General's businesses may be required. And finally, we believe that the current international and economic uncertainty has reduced the probability of completing a transaction of the size and complexity represented by the sale of the company as a whole."

The restructuring plan would require a favorable ruling from the Internal Revenue Service, as well as other federal and state regulatory approvals, which would take several months.

Currently, American General has three business segments: Insurance-Home Service, Insurance-Special Markets, and Finance/Real Estate.

American General's Home Service subsidiaries, which would be sold under the restructuring alternative, include those companies that concentrate on the selling and servicing of traditional insurance products directly through employee agents. These Home Service companies have assets of $8.9 billion, equity of $3 billion, and in 1989 generated earnings of $305 million.

The new American General would include the two remaining business segments, and on a pro forma basis would have assets of $24.9 billion, equity of $3.5 billion, and earned $235 million in 1989. The principal businesses of the new American General would include tax-qualified annuities sold through The Variable Annuity Life Insurance Co. (VALIC), consumer finance operations conducted by American General Finance, ordinary life insurance sold in niche markets through American General's ordinary life insurance subsidiaries, and real estate operations.

While the company is pursuing these alternatives vigorously, there can be no assurance at this time that this or any other alternative transaction can be consummated.

American General is an insurance and financial services organization with assets of $34 billion and total equity of $4.5 billion.

CONTACT: James S. D'Agostino Jr., 713-831-1224; or Robert D. Mrlik, 713-831-1137; both of American General Corp.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Royal Oak Resources Ltd. announced today that it has received a commitment from Sharps Pixley Inc. of New York, the bullion trading subsidiary of Kleinwort Benson, to provide debt financing for Royal Oak's Cdn. $33 million acquisition of control of the Pamour Group of companies. Subject to the terms and conditions of the commitment, Sharps Pixley will provide Royal Oak with a senior secured gold loan of up to U.S. $14 million. The commitment also provides Royal Oak with the option of borrowing up to an additional Cdn. $4 million from another financial institution on a subordinated basis, satisfactory to Sharps Pixley, to assist in financing the acquisition.

The facility established by Sharps Pixley will have an original repayment term of five years and will be secured against all Royal Oak's present and future assets, including the assets currently being acquired.

These assets being purchased, which are comprised of 67.1 percent of the outstanding shares of Pamour Inc., 16.6 percent of the outstanding shares of Giant Yellowknife Mines Limited and debt of approximately Cdn. $18 million, which after closing will be owed by Pamour to Royal Oak, will allow Royal Oak to control all of the companies within the Pamour Group. As a result of this acquisition, Royal Oak will control a collection of companies which produce approximately 200,000 ounces of gold per year and have an impressive collection of promising exploration and development properties surrounding the group's mining operations in Timmins, Ontario and Yellowknife, Northwest Territories.

Financing for this acquisition will be a combination of the loan being provided by Sharps Pixley, an equity issue of Cdn. $16 - $20 million which is currently being placed by ScotiaMcLeod, BT Canada Securities and Richardson Greenshields, and up to Cdn. $4 million of subordinated debt. Teck Corporation, which currently holds 16.5 percent of Royal Oak's outstanding shares, has indicated that it will maintain its pro-rata shareholding in Royal Oak and will subscribe for 16.5 percent of the equity issue.

This transaction is subject to TSE approval.

CONTACT: Steve Manz of Royal Oak Resources Ltd., 604-682-8320.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - MGI Properties, ("MGI") (NYSE: MGI), an equity real estate investment trust, today reported 1990 third quarter and nine month results. Earnings before depreciation and amortization for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 were $3,103,000, or 33 cents per share, compared to $3,300,000 or 35 cents per share, earned in the comparable 1989 quarter. Earnings for the third quarter of 1989 included a gain of $310,000 from the sale of real estate. After provision for depreciation and amortization expense of $1,417,000 in the third quarter of 1990 and $1,137,000 in 1989, net income was $1,686,000, or 18 cents per share, vs. $2,163,000, or 23 cents per share, reported in the 1989 third quarter.

Earnings before depreciation and amortization for the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990 were $9,083,000, or 97 cents per share, compared to $9,486,000, or $1.02 per share, earned in the comparable 1989 period which included the previously mentioned 1989 gain of $310,000. After provision for depreciation and amortization, net income was $5,080,000, or 54 cents per share, in the current nine-month period, vs. $6,329,000 or 68 cents per share reported a year ago.

The Trustees declared a quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share, payable Oct. 12, 1990 to shareholders of record Oct. 4, 1990.

MGI PROPERTIES
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For the Three Months ended Aug. 31,

	1990	Per Share	1989	Per Share
Gross Income:	$ 8,199,000		$ 7,577,000	
Operating Results:				
Base operating income	3,103,000	$.33	$2,990,000	$.32
Gain from sale of real estate investments	---	--	310,000	.03
Earnings before depreciation and amortization	3,103,000	$.33	3,300,000	.35
Depreciation and amortization	(1,417,000)		(1,137,000)	
Net income	$ 1,686,000	$.18	$ 2,163,000	$.23
Avg. shares outstanding	9,396,992		9,429,349	

CONTACT: Phillip C. Vitali, executive vice president and treasurer, 617-330-5335

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#90262p6244 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Ault Incorporated today reported net

sales of $4,851,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Aug. 31, an increase of 22 percent from the year-earlier period. Net income improved to $43,000 or $.02 per share from the net loss of $15,000 or $.01 per share in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Frederick M. Green, Ault's president and chief executive officer, said the first quarter earnings were on plan, representing a good turnaround from the company's performance last year. He said this keeps Ault on track toward attaining significantly improved results for all of fiscal 1991.

Green attributed Ault's improved results to higher sales of new- generation external power supplies that are allowing the company to expand its customer base and range of market applications. He said Ault's core telecommunications customers are continuing to return slowly to the market following an extended period of order weakness. Green added that Ault's first quarter results also include sales to European electronics manufacturers reflecting the company's entry into overseas markets.

Order growth remained strong during the first three months of fiscal 1991, with the quarter-ending backlog totaling $7,778,000, up 29 percent from $610,000 a year ago. The backlog was also up from the strong level reported in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990.

Ault is the nation's largest independent manufacturer of external power supplies and battery chargers for high-end applications in telecommunications equipment, computers and peripherals, portable medical equipment, and industrial products. The company's common stock is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol AULT.

CONTACT: Carlos S. Montague of Ault, 612-493-1900

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DENVER (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Weitz-Cohen Construction Co., the Colorado-based contractor that submitted the lowest bid for an airport tunnel contract, disputes the city's charge that it lacked the good faith effort to hire minority subcontractors necessary to secure the contract.

Weitz-Cohen's bid on the 4,000-foot tunnel, designed to carry passengers between concourses and terminals at the new airport, was $36.6 million, $2 million less than the company to whom the city awarded the contract. After learning the low bidder was not awarded, the Denver City Council stalled the award at its meeting Monday night, Sept. 17, 1990.

"We were shocked to learn through rumors that we were denied this contract, even though we were the low bid and we met all affirmative action requirements " said Weitz-Cohen President Don Thorpe. When Weitz-Cohen originally

submitted the low bid, the company inadvertently overlooked one affirmative action item.

Weitz-Cohen provided back-up documentation, within the required time limit, that proved that the company's good faith efforts were completed prior to submitting the bid to the city. Thorpe stated that the company was informed by Amy Shaw at the Affirmative Action Office that clarification of the information submitted by Weitz-Cohen was needed. "Later, Shaw told us that her Affirmative Action review showed that Weitz-Cohen had included 6.46 percent of minority-owned businesses in our bid and that there were 'no other problems '" Thorpe explained.

Weitz-Cohen Vice President Rick Poppe added, "The fact that we didn't fill in one blank on a form is unfortunate, but the error was harmless and resulted in no change to the status or substance of our bid. We do not believe it should end up costing taxpayers an additional $2 million dollars." Poppe added, "Our attempts to communicate our good faith efforts, our DBE participation, and our low bid have been completely ignored."

A Denver City Council Airport Committee hearing scheduled Monday, Sept. 24, 1990, will review the award process. Weitz-Cohen will ask for a reconsideration of the award.

Weitz-Cohen is a Colorado corporation known for major construction projects including the Aurora Municipal Justice Center, Mountain Bell Center, Security Life Building, and the Amoco-Columbia Savings Building. The company is listed in Engineering News Record as the 60th largest general contractor in the United States.

CONTACT: Rick Poppe of Weitz-Cohen, 303-860-6621; or Kyla Thompson or Lisa Sigler of Kyla Thompson & Associates for Weitz-Cohen, 303-892-5952

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#90262p6251 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANDOVER, MD (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Applied Research Corporation (PHLX: ARL ARLX, ARL X, ARL.X) today released its results of operations for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

As indicated in its results for the nine months ended Feb. 28, 1990, corrections to the statements were required and the company has decided to take a one-time write off in order to accurately reflect its position at the end of Fiscal Year 1990. The results are summarized below:

	FISCAL YEAR ENDED MAY 31	
	1990	1989 (Restated)
Contract revenue	$6,203,287	$7,005,402

Operating income	12,194	37,976
Net income	(271,487)	(194,506)
Net income per share	(0.05)	(0.06)

The results of these statements indicate that corrective actions are required if the company is to strengthen its financial condition. Management is currently focusing on two areas of concern: increasing contract revenue through the hiring of directly chargeable personnel and reducing indirect expenses to a level where they are fully recoverable under contracts. Upon addressing these areas of concern, the company anticipates showing marked improvement in subsequent financial statements.

The company still enjoys a contract backlog in excess of $23 million and is currently working under its most favorable credit arrangement since 1987. It possesses the technical expertise and fine reputation that had sustained its growth through 1989. These attributes coupled with a new resolve to stress fiscal responsibility will propel the company to a level of financial stability not previously enjoyed.

CONTACT: Dr. S.P.S. Anand, president and CEO, Applied Research Corporation, 301-459-8442; or Malcolm McGuire of CCRI, 303-355-1156, for Applied Research Corporation

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#90262p6253 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The May Department Stores Company (NYSE: MA) Foundation has contributed $200,000 to two national organizations which assist people with Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

The National Community AIDS Partnership and the Design Industries Foundation for AIDS (DIFFA) each received $100,000 to distribute this year to community-based groups which assist people with AIDS. The $100,000 grants represent the first such grants The May Department Stores Company Foundation intends to make annually.

David C. Farrell, chairman and chief executive officer of The May Department Stores Company, said, "With AIDS affecting increasing numbers of people, we want to offer direct support to help meet basic needs for food, shelter and other assistance. We are very pleased to work with the National Community AIDS Partnership and DIFFA, both highly respected for their ability to identify and fund projects that help people with AIDS. We are especially pleased to target communities in which May Company operates."

The National Community AIDS Partnership provides matching grants to support community-based AIDS programs in 19 metropolitan areas of the United States. Based in Washington, D.C., the Partnership has distributed more than $8.5 million to 371 organizations since its founding in 1988.

DIFFA, whose membership represents all segments of the design industry, raises funds and makes grants to AIDS organizations and projects throughout the United States. Since its founding in 1984, DIFFA has distributed $5 million to more than 230 groups in 29 states.

Through The May Department Stores Company Foundation, May contributes nationwide more than $10 million annually for health, social welfare, educational, cultural and civic causes.

The May Department Stores Company, one of the largest department store companies in the country, operates 300 department stores.

CONTACT: James Abrams of May Company, 314-342-6343

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#90262p6259 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines has been advised by the Fire Marshal that the law will limit the number of people allowed in the gate areas set aside for the arrival of the Atlanta Olympic Committee flight from Tokyo on Thursday, Sept. 20.

Thus, Delta is asking that the news media advise people not to go to the airport. Family members who will be meeting the flight will occupy most of the available space and any others wishing to welcome the AOC home will likely not be able to enter the area.

The AOC has advised Delta that a parade to celebrate Atlanta's selection as the site for the 1996 Olympics will be held in the city on September 24 and this will give everyone an opportunity to show their support.

Arrangements have been made to accommodate news media and family members greeting the flight. The airplane will arrive at approximately 7:21 p.m. Thursday. For additional information, the news media is asked to contact Delta Public Relations.

CONTACT: Delta Air Lines public relations, 404-765-2531

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#90262p6260 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Janet Robinson has been named group vice president of The New York Times Company Magazine Group's advertising sales and marketing unit. The announcement was made today by William T. Kerr, president of the group.

Robinson, currently advertising director at Tennis magazine, replaces Harry

Myers, who resigned.

A former teacher and education consultant, Robinson joined Tennis magazine as an account executive in June 1983. In May 1985 she was promoted to national resort and travel manager, Golf Digest/Tennis. She remained in that position until she became advertising director of Tennis magazine in August 1987.

Robinson, 40, is a native of Somerset, Mass. She received a B.A. degree in English in 1972 from Salve Regina College, Newport, R.I., where she graduated cum laude. She has also pursued graduate studies at Brown University, Providence, R.I.

Robinson will report to Charles H. Townsend, president and chief operating officer of Family Circle, Inc.

Townsend said, "Janet Robinson brings a great deal of management and selling experience to the group. She will be leading a very strong team which includes Helen Seligman, director of marketing, who has broad media experience. Together they will give the women's magazines in our group a well-rounded and highly focused marketing and selling unit."

The advertising sales and marketing unit was formed in March 1990 to offer advertisers marketing partnerships through group buys and value- added access to The New York Times Company Magazine Group's women's magazines, which include: Family Circle, McCall's, Decorating Remodeling, Child, and the Family Circle Great Ideas series. These magazines reach over one-third of all adult women in the nation. In addition, the unit works to tie in the advertising related to retail promotions and sports marketing, a well as newspapers and television stations of The New York Times Company.

Kerr said The New York Times Company Magazine Group has grown from six to 17 titles in the past five years. It also publishes Golf Digest, Golf Shop Operations, Tennis, Tennis Buyer's Guide, Cruising World, Sailing World, Snow Country, Golf World, Gold World (U.K.), Golf World Industry News (U.K.), Gold Illustrated Weekly (U.K.) and Golf Digest Sverige (Sweden).

CONTACT: Nancy Nielsen, 212-556-7078, or William K. Adler, 212-556-7077, both of The New York Times Company

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#90262p6262 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeles Corp. (AMEX: ANG) today reported a net loss of $6,416,000 or $2.23 per share for the fiscal year ended June 30. Revenue was $39,568,000. In fiscal 1989, Angeles had net income of $202,000, on revenue of $38,909,000.

Fourth quarter net income was $353,000, compared to $768,000 in the prior year

period. Revenue was $13,535,000 in the quarter, versus $11,874,000 in the 1989 fourth quarter.

Angeles President Joseph Cattivera said $2,907,000 of the loss was recorded in the third quarter, due to one-time charges related to Angeles' withdrawal from the direct offering of real estate investment programs to the public and the reduction of the marketing staff and other support associated with that activity. These actions are expected to result in savings approximating $2.5 million annually.

Cattivera also said that reported earnings will continue to be impacted by the accounting treatment of its development and direct ownership of congregate-style retirement facilities and factory- direct shopping malls. This accounting treatment requires recording depreciation and interest expenses during the development and holding period, when the company believes these property values are being enhanced. Angeles currently owns and operates nine congregate care communities with a total of 1,392 units in six states, and jointly owns four factory-direct malls with aggregate square footage in excess of 800,000 square feet.

Angeles Corp. is a diversified investment management company whose subsidiaries currently manage in excess of $4 billion of securities, real estate, mutual fund and leased equipment assets for corporations and institutions, and for individual investors.

CONTACT: Steve Leach of Angeles Corp., 800-421-4374, ext. 598, or 213-284-3598

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#90262p6265 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANCHESTER, N.H. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - BankEast Corporation (NASDAQ: BENH) a New Hampshire-based bank holding company, announced today that two holders of $13 million in subordinated debentures have accelerated the maturity of this debt. This action is substantially a demand to pay this debt in full, a demand the holding company is not able to fulfill at this time.

W.N. DeWitt, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, emphasized that this action by the noteholders, should have no effect on the conduct of business by the holding company's subsidiaries: BankEast, its FDIC-insured banking subsidiary; BankEast Mortgage Corp.; or BankEast Trust Company. These subsidaries are separate legal entities and are not responsible for the holding company's obligations to the noteholders. "As far as BankEast depositors and other customers are concerned, it will be business as usual," said DeWitt. Deposits of BankEast are insured to the maximum extent permitted under applicable law.

"While the holding company has been in technical default for some time on

certain covenants of the debenture agreeement, we have made all interest payments when due and principal payments were not scheduled to begin until November, 1992," DeWitt stated. "Significant efforts have been made over recent months to negotiate a restructuring plan with the noteholders that reflects the difficult economic environment that we, along with other New Hampshire institutions, have been facing.

"While this action by the noteholders is regrettable, we continue to favor a negotiated resolution of this matter. Should an acceptable solution be unattainable and the noteholders press their demands, the holding company may be forced to seek protection from the noteholders. However, the holding company is exploring all of its options," concluded DeWitt.

BankEast Corporation is a New Hampshire-based holding company with $1 billion in assets.

CONTACT: W.N. DeWitt, chairman and CEO, 603-624-6192 or David Blake, senior vice president, 603-624-6098, both of BankEast

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#90262p6270 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - TRISM, Inc. has reaffirmed its merger offer for Builders Transport, Incorporated (NASDAQ: TRUK).

TRISM has received financing proposals adequate to complete the merger offer for Builders. The offer to the Builders shareholders is $9 per common share in cash, $4 per common share in 12 year, 12 percent cumulative preferred stock with a current pay, and one-fifth of a new common share in the successor corporation. Based upon the assumption that all the holders of the existing two issues of convertible subordinate debt choose to convert their debt into equity and take the consideration offered to the common shareholders, this common stock distribution will represent 15 percent of the common equity of the successor company. The preferred stock and the new common stock will be registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission, so that they will be free to trade. A listing on a national stock exchange will be sought when the listing requirements are satisfied.

TRISM has submitted a merger agreement to Builders, which will allow time for TRISM and its lenders to do a confirming due diligence. The proposed merger agreement contains a provision to set the agreement aside if a majority of the newly elected board of directors of Builders are not members of the current board of directors.

CONTACT: Edward A. Vrooman of Olwine, Connelly, Chase, O'Donnell & Weyher, 212-207-1824.

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#90262p6271 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Shidler/Holman Group today outlined additional principles which it will follow, if it is successful in its current consent solicitation to replace the board of directors of Grossman's, Inc., (NASDAQ: GROS) in order to address shareholder concerns about management accountability at Grossman's.

"In our meetings with shareholders of Grossman's, a number of corporate governance issues have been raised with us," said Jay Shidler of The Shidler/Holman Group.

Shidler stated that, should the consent solicitation be successful, "The Shidler/Holman Group and its nominees would present shareholders with the opportunity to vote upon the following proposals: (1) No 'poison pill' or shareholder rights plan without prior shareholder approval; (2) No 'green mail' or other transactions designed to repurchase at a premium the shares of one or more shareholders on terms not available to all other shareholders; (3) No adoption of 'golden parachutes' or similar severance compensation arrangements triggered solely by a change in control of the company without prior shareholder approval; (4) No issuances of 'white squire' preferred stock or other securities of the company under circumstances where the ultimate purpose of such issuance is designed to prevent or inhibit a change in control of the company; and (5) Confidential voting provisions and independent inspectors of election to be employed in connection with all shareholder voting." Shidler stated that, "If elected, those matters would be put to a shareholder vote as soon as practicable after such election and that a detailed disclosure statement relating to these proposals would be mailed to all shareholders." Shidler added, "We intend to vote all shares owned by us in favor of these proposals."

Shidler also stated, "The Shidler/Holman Group and its nominees intend to communicate regularly with shareholders, as well as to discuss separately with major shareholders a basis for creating a shareholders committee for purposes of enabling direct shareholder communication with the board concerning issues of importance to the company. In addition, we intend to establish a nominating committee of the board comprised of outside directors for the purpose of making recommendations to the board as to nominees for election as directors of the company." Shidler added that, "Any other corporate governance proposals received from or recommended by stockholders would be given appropriate consideration by the Shidler/Holman Group and its nominees."

The Shidler/Holman Group has previously stated its position that no member of The Shidler/Holman Group or any of its affiliates will participate in any financing proposal which may be made to utilize the company's substantial real estate as a financial resource or in any other transaction involving the sale, lease or purchase of real property between members of The Shidler/Holman Group and Grossman's.

CONTACT: Ian Killips of The Shidler/Holman Group, 808-531-3000, or Jennifer R. Wall or Richard A. DeMay of D. F. King & Co., Inc., 212-269-5550, for the Shidler/Holman Group.

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#90262p6278 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRAINTREE, MA (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ: GROS) announced today that its board of directors has authorized repurchasing up to $2 million of its common stock in open market transactions from time to time over the next 12 months.

In announcing the share repurchase program, Thomas R. Schwarz, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, stated: "The stock repurchase program underscores our confidence in the company's long-term goals and strategies and reflects our belief that our common stock is undervalued. This share repurchase program therefore represents an excellent opportunity for the company to acquire common stock for its stock option plan and other general corporate purposes and to advance our objective of maximizing stockholder values."

Grossman's currently has approximately 26 million shares of common stock outstanding.

Schwarz also announced that after several months of extensive discussions, the company has engaged the management consulting firm of McKinsey & Company, Inc. to conduct an intensive analysis of all aspects of the company's operations, asset deployment, markets and finances. Schwarz said, "McKinsey will work with us in planning how best to build stockholder values by strengthening Grossman's market position and increasing cash flows in the current difficult environment."

Grossman's, a major retailer of lumber and building materials, operates 156 stores in nine Northeastern states and in California.

CONTACT: Stanley Berman of Grossman's, 617-848-0100, ext. 2350, or Deborah Chew, 212-909-6549, for Grossman's.

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#90262p6281 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Energy Service Co. Inc. (ENSCO) (AMEX: ESV) has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 37.5 cents per share on its $1.50 Cumulative Convertible Exchangeable Preferred Stock. The dividend is payable on Oct. 15, 1990 to holders of record on Sept. 28, 1990. The dividend is for the period from July 16, 1990 through Oct.15, 1990.

ENSCO, heaquartered in Dallas is engaged in providing contract drilling and related energy services to the international petroleum industry. ENSCO's common stock and preferred stock trade on the American Stock Exchange (ESV).

CONTACT: Richard LeBlanc of ENSCO, 214-922-1500

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#90262p6287 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA ANA, CALIF. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - On Sept. 13, 1990, the board of governors of the National Association of Securities Dealers Inc. affirmed the deletion of National Paging's common stock and convertible preferred stock from the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation ("NASDAQ") System. The company's common stock and convertible preferred stock will continue to trade over the counter until such time, if ever, that the company is able to meet the applicable standards for inclusion in the NASDAQ System. The company does not anticipate that it will meet the applicable standards in the near future.

Southland Communications Inc. does business as National Paging, providing electronic paging services for individual and business subscribers.

CONTACT: Ahmad Bayaa, president of National Paging, 714-664-1600

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#90262p6288 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Trustees of The Chicago Dock and Canal Trust (NASDAQ: DOCKS) declared a dividend of 7 cents per share payable on Dec. 3, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 15, 1990.

This dividend compares to 6 cents per share for the same period last year.

The Chicago Dock and Canal Trust is a real estate investment trust engaged primarily in the business of acquiring and holding real estate and interests in real estate for investment. The trust, formed in 1962, is successor to The Chicago Dock and Canal Co., founded in 1857 by Chicago's first mayor, William Ogden. The trust's assets include ownership of a major interest in the Equitable Building and a substantial portion of the land at Cityfront Center, a major mixed-use development, both in Chicago. The trust also owns Kipling Plaza (a 90,000-square-foot shopping center in suburban Denver), Lincoln Garden (a 73,000-square-foot office complex in Tampa, Fla.), Waterplace Park (a 107,000-square-foot office complex in Indianapolis), and One Michigan Avenue (a 144,000-square-foot office building in Lansing, Mich.).

CONTACT: David R. Tinkham, 312-467-1870, of The Chicago Dock & Canal Trust; or Marti Dee, 312-280-7000, of Edelman Public Relations

for The Chicago Dock & Canal Trust

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#90262p6291 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Pamela Harris has been appointed licensing sales manager at Carolco Licensing, a division of Carolco Pictures Inc.

In her newly created position, she will be responsible primarily for coordinating sales efforts for those properties represented by Carolco Licensing. Among those properties are "Terminator 2," due for release next summer, and the current NBC Saturday morning live- action sitcom hit, "Saved By The Bell."

Prior to joining Carolco, Harris served as manager of International Licensing at Lorimar-Telephones where she was in charge of the international licensing programs for ALF, Gumby, Dallas and Knot's Landing.

CONTACT: Danny Simon of Carolco Pictures Inc., 213-289-7138

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#90262p6293 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Best Products Co., Inc. announced today that is has reached agreements to refinance on a long-term basis $175 million of senior subordinated bridge notes. In addition, the company has a $30 million commitment to increase its credit facilities.

Agreements were reached with holders of $142 million of bridge notes to extend the maturity date to June 30, 1992. The remaining $33 million will be converted to senior notes with a maturity of no earlier than Jan. 31, 1994.

The Equitable Life Assurance Society has committed, subject to certain conditions, to provide an additional $30 million line of credit to supplement the company's existing short term credit facilities.

Jerry E. Goldress, Best's chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The new financing arrangements and expanded credit lines are very positive developments. They will enable Best to take advantage of many merchandising opportunities now being offered by our vendors and position the company to enhance and strengthen its assortments for this Christmas season."

Leonard P. Shaykin, a managing partner of Adler & Shaykin, the major shareholder of Best, said, "In this difficult financing and retailing environment, we and the company are pleased by the continued support of our major financial partners."

Best, one of the nation's largest catalog showroom retailers, operates 195 Best showrooms in 27 states. The company also operates Best Jewelry, a chain of 35 fine jewelry and giftware stores, and Tele-Mail, a nationwide mail-order service.

CONTACT: Ross Richardson, Best Products Co., Inc., 804-261-2157

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#90262p6298 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY, (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Bonneville Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: BPCO), reported first quarter revenues of $28,909,000 resulting in a loss of $1,105,000 or 9 cents per share based on 12,845,093 weighted average number of shares outstanding.

Revenues for the first quarter of the prior year totalled $9,954,000 and resulted in a loss of $1,306,000 or 10 cents per share based on 12,892,382 average shares outstanding.

According to Robert L. Wood, chairman of the board, the results for the first quarter were expected. Bonneville typically has had uneven quarter to quarter earnings and this trend could continue in the near future until the company accomplishes its stated long-term goals of predictable, recurring revenues. Bonneville expects to accomplish these goals by building larger facilities and retaining significant ownership interests in such facilities.

Bonneville currently has five major electric generating facility projects under development with a total estimated capacity of approximately 290 megawatts.

CONTACT: Gerry Monson of Bonneville Pacific Corp., 801-363-2520

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#90262p6302 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO, (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Mail Boxes Etc. (NASDAQ: MAIL) announced today that it will vigorously defend itself and its Warminster, Pa., franchisee, in a lawsuit that was announced early this week, by the Pennsylvania Attorney General, Ernie Preate, Jr. The suit alleges that operators of private mail receiving agencies, of which there are several hundred in Pennsylvania, are violating Pennsylvania's unfair trade practices and consumer protection law by offering private mail boxes for rent at businesses and giving customers the opportunity to identify their boxes by suite numbers.

"Mail Boxes Etc. is defending the ability of hundreds of Pennsylvania operators of private postal centers, such as myself, and thousands of our boxholders to earn a living," said Mike Forcina, owner of the Mail Boxes Etc.

postal center in Warminster.

"The action of the Attorney General's office is simply outrageous," said Forcina. "Since the opening of my MBE Center in August 1987, I have received no consumer complaints regarding the use of suite numbers by my boxholders nor has any law enforcement agency requested information on one of my boxholders. I simply do not know why the Attorney General is suing me. This is an excellent example of unnecessary government interference that it making it difficult for small businesses like mine and my boxholders to survive in Pennsylvania. As an elected official, Mr. Preate should use taxpayer funds to prosecute criminals rather than to harass small business owners like me and my boxholders."

"Mail Boxes Etc. franchise owners are advised to cooperate fully with law enforcement officials in identifying any boxholder who engages in unlawful activities," said Tony DeSio, president of Mail Boxes Etc., the San Diego franchisor of private postal outlets. "Where the Attorney General has identified a specific boxholder in Pennsylvania who is engaged in any questionable activities, our franchise owners are always advised to cooperate in every way possible. We are aware of only one such request that has been made of any MBE Centers during the seven-year period that we have been operating in Pennsylvania and the MBE Center in that case, where the boxholder was not even using a 'suite' number, has fully cooperated with the Attorney General's office. However, we do not believe the Attorney General should be allowed to trample on the rights of the overwhelming majority of honest small businesses in Pennsylvania that use the services of our MBE Center Franchisees because of the potential that a dishonest boxholder might abuse the use of his box, especially in view of the fact that there is no other record of this type of abuse ever occurring in any of our Pennsylvania centers."

DeSio said that before the announced filing of the lawsuit, the company was threatened by the Attorney General's office to instruct its franchisees to cease and desist from advertising that boxholders could use the term "suite" in their address. "We refused because we feel strongly that we must defend the rights of our franchise owners and thousands of other small businesses in Pennsylvania from this type of harassment by their elected officials," said DeSio. DeSio also said that, contrary to statements by the attorney general, the company does not advise its franchisees to allow boxholders to use the term "apartment" in their addresses.

"We have been franchising this concept for 10 years and have assisted over 1,200 franchise owners throughout the United States, as well as in Canada, Mexico and Japan, to open and operate their own businesses," DeSio said. "Mr. Preate is the only government official in the world who has filed suit against MBE or our franchise owners regarding their advertising of the use of 'suite' numbers by their boxholders. We simply do not see anything misleading or fraudulent about a small business owner putting his best foot forward and calling his office in one of our postal and business service centers a 'suite

' since many boxholders actually do carry out their business activities, such as word-processing, faxing, voice-mail, packaging and shipping from our franchisee's centers. We see no difference between our postal, business and communications service centers and the fully furnished temporary office that individuals can rent and use for a week or a day and call themselves a 'suite.'"

"We think the Attorney General of Pennsylvania should be pursuing businesses which are actually defrauding consumers, not small businesses like those owned by our franchise owners who are helping thousands of legitimate small businesses to succeed by providing them a low-cost alternative to renting office space, purchasing equipment and hiring staff," said DeSio.

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-30- 5070
#90262p6310 09/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, CA. (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Reacting quickly to the discovery that pirated copies of its new motion picture "GoodFellas" were already being sold, Warner Bros. has begun bringing civil suits. The first was filed in New York City Tuesday, Sept. 18, against a Bronx video retailer.

Pedro Camacho, owner of Camacho's Video Store, from whom a pirate copy of "GoodFellas" was seized, was ordered to appear in U.S. District Court in Manhattan.

According to Warner Bros., represented in court by Sargoy, Stein, Rosen & Shapiro, authorities also seized duplicating equipment and copies of other pirated films.

The court order also allows for the seizure of any pirate cassettes of "GoodFellas" in the New York area. Armed with these court orders, investigative units of the Motion Picture Association of America, along with a private investigation firm retained by Warner, have been deployed to search for and seize pirate copies of "GoodFellas." Individuals from whom pirate copies are seized will be the subject of subsequent legal proceedings.

Warner is expected to refer this high priority matter to the Justice Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Molly Kellogg, Warner Bros.' vice president, Anti-Piracy, stated: "Warner's focused response to piracy of 'GoodFellas' is an indication of the aggressive action we will take in any area where pirated copies of 'GoodFellas' are reported to be presented."

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-30- 1688
#90262t1824 09/19/1990 ~ts
TOKYO SEPTEMBER 19 TASS - SOUTH KOREA'S LARGEST CORPORATION HYUNDAI MAY INVEST ABOUT FIVE BILLION U.S. DOLLARS TO DEVELOP AND UTILIZE THE SOVIET UNION'S NATURAL RESOURCES, THE YONHAP NEWS AGENCY QUOTES HYUNDAI CHIEF CHUNG JU YONG AS SAYING.

"THE SOVIET UNION HAS RICH NATURAL RESOURCES THAT ARE NEEDED BY US, AND I AM PREPARED TO INVEST SOME FIVE BILLION DOLLARS TO DEVELOP THEM IF IT PROVES TO BE A PROMISING UNDERTAKING," SAID CHUNG, WHO IS THE FOUNDER AND HONORARY CHAIRMAN OF THE FIRM.

HE BELIEVES THAT IN ADDITION TO ECONOMIC BENEFITS, THE IMPLEMENTAION OF THIS PROJECT WILL BE OF AN IMMENSE POLITICAL IMPORTANCE, FACILITATING THE EARLIEST UNIFICATION OF THE TWO COUNTRIES ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA.

-30- 860
#90262t1825 09/19/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT. 19) TASS - MARSHAL OF THE SOVIET UNION SEMEN KURKOTKIN DIED ON SEPTEMBER 16TH, AFTER A GRAVE AND LENGTHY DISEASE AT THE AGE OF 73, IT WAS REPORTED HERE TODAY.

THE OBITUARY NOTICE, SIGNED BY MIKHAIL GORBACHEV, OTHER SOVIET LEADERS AND MILITARY COMMANDERS, SAYS THAT THE DECEASED EARNED DEEP RESPECT FROM EVERYBODY WHO KNEW HIM OR SERVED SIDE BY SIDE WITH HIM DUE TO HIS EFFICIENCY, HARD WORKING CHARACTER, MODESTY AND CARE FOR SUBORDINATES.

KURKOTKIN WAS FIRST DEPUTY COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE GROUP OF SOVIET FORCES IN GERMANY, COMMANDER OF THE TRANSCAUCASIAN MILITARY AREA AND COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE GROUP OF SOVIET TROOPS IN GERMANY.

FOR A LONG TIME HE HELD THE POST OF DEPUTY DEFENCE MINISTER OF THE USSR, RESPONSIBLE FOR LOGISTICS. IMPORTANT MEASURES TO DEVELOP THE LOGISTIC SERVICES ENHANCE THEIR COMBAT AND MOBILISATIONAL READINESS, AND IMPROVE THE MILITARY PERSONNEL'S LIVING CONDITIONS WERE CARRIED OUT UNDER HIS COMMAND. AS OF 1988 KURKOTKIN WAS MEMBER OF THE TEAM OF GENERAL INSPECTORS OF THE USSR DEFENCE MINISTRY.

-30- 1188
#90262t1828 09/19/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT. 19) TASS - THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION WILL, POSSIBLY, SET UP ITS OWN STATE SECURITY COMMITTEE (KGB).

RUSSIAN PRESIDENT BORIS YELTSIN TOLD A PLENARY SESSION OF THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT TODAY THAT HE DISCUSSED THE ISSUE WITH SOVIET KGB CHIEF AND MEMBER

OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL VLADIMIR KRYUCHKOV, WHO CONSENTED, IN PRINCIPLE, TO SUPPORT THE CREATION OF A RUSSIAN KGB.

BY THE DECISION OF THE FIRST CONGRESS OF RUSSIAN DEPUTIES, THE ISSUES OF DEFENCE AND STATE SECURITY WERE DEVOLVED ON THE UNION. HOWEVER, YELTSIN SAID TODAY THAT IF DEPUTIES ADOPT A RESPECTIVE DECISION, A BILL TO FORM A REPUBLICAN KGB COULD BE DRAFTED BY THE CONGRESS OF RUSSIAN PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES, SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER. HE SAID THIS KGB WOULD BE SUBORDINATE TO THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT OR PARLIAMENT.

ONCE THE BILL IS PASSED, RUSSIA AND UNION BODIES COULD SIGN AN AGREEMENT TO DELINEATE THE FUNCTIONS OF THE UNION AND REPUBLICAN COMMITTEES.

-30- 1078
#90262t1829 09/19/1990 ~ts
LUANDA (SEPT. 19) TASS - PRESIDENT JOSE EDUARDO DES SANTOS OF ANGOLA AND NAMIBIAN PRESIDENT SAM NUJOMA SIGNED AN AGREEMENT TO SET UP AN INTER-GOVERNMENTAL COMMISSION FOR BILATERAL COOPERATION ON TUESDAY IN LUBANGO (ANGOLA).

THE COMMUNIQUE OF THEIR MEETING REPORTS THEY DISCUSSED THE PRINCIPAL ASPECTS OF COMMERCIAL AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND CONCLUDED A TREATY ON THE USE OF THE KUNENE WATER RESOURCES (THE RIVER FLOWS ALONG THE ANGOLAN-NAMIBIAN BORDER).

THE NEGOTIATORS WENT ON RECORD FOR CREATING A FAVOURABLE INTERNATIONAL CLIMATE TO SETTLE THE DOMESTIC CONFLICT IN ANGOLA. DES SANTOS AND NUJOMA CONDEMNED FOREIGN INTERFERENCE IN ANGOLA AND CONFIRMED THEIR DESIRE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PEACE IN THE COUNTRY.

THE SIDES POSITIVELY APPRAISED THE CHANGES IN SOUTH AFRICA TOWARDS BUILDING A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY. AT THE SAME TIME, THEY EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE ESCALATION OF INTER-ETHNIC VIOLENCE THERE AND URGED FREDERIK DE KLERK'S GOVERNMENT TO PUT AN END TO THE BLOODSHED.

-30- 1168
#90262t1848 09/19/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW SEPTEMBER 19 TASS - THE SOVIET NAVAL ACADEMY NAMED AFTER MARSHAL OF THE SOVIET UNION ANDREI GRECHKO HAS BEEN RENAMED AFTER ADMIRAL NIKOLAI KUZNETSOV, WHO HAS MADE A LOT TO DEVELOP THE SOVIET NAVY, THE KRASNAYA ZVEZDA NEWSPAPER WRITES TODAY.

GRECHKO WAS SOVIET DEFENCE MINISTER IN THE TIMES OF BREZHNEV AND HAD NO DIRECT TIES WITH THE NAVY.

KUZNETSOV PARTICIPATED IN THE CIVIL WAR. HE WAS A NAVAL ADVISER IN SPAIN

BETWEEN 1936-1937. LATER, KUZNETSOV WAS COMMANDER OF THE PACIFIC FLEET.

BETWEEN 1939-1946, HE HEADED THE SOVIET NAVY, INCLUDING DURING THE WORLD WAR II.

-30- 741
#90262t1852 09/19/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT 19) TASS - A GENERAL STRIKE IS SCHEDULED IN THE UKRAINE FOR SEPTEMBER 27, AND AN ALL-NATIONAL MANIFESTATION WILL BE HELD IN KIEV ON OCTOBER 1, THE IZVESTIA NEWSPAPER WRITES TODAY.

THE ACTIONS ARE PLANNED TO CREATE A SPECIFIC SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC ON THE EVE OF THE AUTUMN SESSION OF THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT.

THEY WILL BE HELD ON THE INITIATIVE OF STRIKE COMMITTEES FROM A NUMBER OF UKRAINIAN CITIES AND THE COORDINATION COUNCIL OF THE ASSOCIATION OF DEMOCRATIC COUNCILS AND DEMOCRATIC BLOCS IN THE UKRAINE. REPRESENTATIVES FROM PRACTICALLY ALL REGIONS OF THE REPUBLIC HAVE SUPPORTED THE ACTIONS.

THE ASSOCIATION HAS APPEALED TO PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES OF THE USSR, REPUBLICAN AND LOCAL COUNCILS AND ALL CITIZENS OF THE REPUBLIC SUPPORTING DEMOCRATIC RESTRUCTURING ON THE BASIS OF THE DECLARATION ON THE UKRAINIAN SOVEREIGNTY.

"THE DANGEROUS SLUGGISHNESS AND INCONSISTENCY IN THE WORK OF THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT, THE FACT THAT IT STUBBORNLY IGNORES NUMEROUS ADDRESSES BY LOCAL COUNCILS, AND THE GROWING ECONOMIC CHAOS URGE US TO MAKE A POLITICAL STATEMENT AND ADDRESS ALL PROGRESSIVE PUBLIC OF THE UKRAINE," THE ADDRESS READS.

THE NEWSPAPER NOTES THAT DEMANDS TO THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT ARE QUITE FAMILIAR.

THE ASSOCIATION CALLS TO CLOSE THE CHERNOBYL NUCLEAR POWER PLANT IMMEDIATELY, WITHDRAW ALL UKRAINIAN SERVICEMEN FROM THE SITES OF INTER-ETHNIC CONFLICTS, GUARANTEE THAT YOUNG PEOPLE DRAFTED THIS AUTUMN WILL SERVE IN THE UKRAINE, GIVE CONSTITUTIONAL STRENGTH TO THE DECLARATION ON THE STATE SOVEREIGNTY OF THE UKRAINE, SET UP A COMMISSION OF THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT AND STRIKE COMMITTEES TO CONTROL THE STORAGE OF FOOD PRODUCTS AND CONSUMER GOODS, IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE PROVISION OF THE PEOPLE OF THE UKRAINE WITH THEM, DEPOLITICISE STATE INSTITUTIONS, ARMY, THE KGB AND THE INTERIOR MINISTRY AND NATIONALISE THE PROPERTY OF THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY.

-30- 2063
#90262t1860 09/19/1990 ~ts
UNITED NATIONS (SEPT 19) TASS - BY TASS CORRESPONDENT IN THE END OF SEPTEMBER A U.N. MISSION WILL HEAD FOR THE DISTRICTS IN THE UKRAINE, BYELORUSSIA AND THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION THAT SUFFERED FROM THE CHERNOBYL DISASTER, U.N.

SECRETARY-GENERAL JAVIER PEREZ DE CUELLAR SAID ON WEDNESDAY.

THE MISSION, LED BY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE GERALD HINTEREGGER, WILL VISIT THE SOVIET UNION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DECISION OF THE SESSION OF THE U.N. ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL ON THE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN CLEANING UP THE AFTERMATH OF THE CHERNOBYL DISASTER.

THE DELEGATION WILL COMPRISE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE OFFICE OF THE U.N. DISASTER RELIEF CO-ORDINATOR, THE U.N. ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME, THE U.N. COMMISSION ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS, THE U.N. CHILDREN'S FUND, THE U.N. DEPARTMENT IN VIENNA AND THE U.N. DEPARTMENT OF TECHNICAL COOPERATION FOR DEVELOPMENT.

THE RESULTS OF THE MISSION'S WORK AND THE INFORMATION OF MEASURES TAKEN BY THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY, THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION AND THE U.N. FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANISATION, WILL BE INCLUDED IN A REPORT THE U.N. SECRETARY- GENERAL WILL SUBMIT TO THE 45TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION.

-30- 1356

#90262t1864 09/19/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT 19) TASS - GENNADY MANAKOV AND GENNADY STREKALOV HAVE BEEN WORKING ON BOARD THE MIR SPACE STATION FOR 50 DAYS.

THEY HAVE CARRIED OUT A CONSIDERABLE PART OF THE PROGRAMME, DOZENS OF SOUNDINGS OF THE EARTH'S SURFACE IN THE INTEREST OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMY AND UNLOADED THE AUTOMATIC CARGO SPACECRAFT PROGRESS M-4.

ON WEDNESDAY, THE COSMONAUTS WERE INVOLVED IN MEDICAL RESEARCHES. THEY HAVE TESTED THE STATE OF THE FLIGHT COMMANDER'S CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM WITH THE HELP OF SPECIAL EQUIPMENT. THE COSMONAUTS HAVE CONDUCTED PROPHYLACTIC WORK AND GEOPHYSICAL RESEARCH OF THE EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE.

DURING THE FLIGHT, THEY HAVE FULFILLED THE PROGRAMME OF MATERIALS' STUDY AND CONDUCTED A MELTING EXPERIMENT ON THE KRATER-V INSTALLATION, THAT TOOK 260 HOURS. THEY HAVE OBTAINED A SEMICONDUCTOR MATERIAL, ZINC OXIDE, USED IN THE RADIOELECTRONIC INDUSTRY, AND HAVE GROWN A MONOCHRYSTAL OF ANOTHER SEMICONDUCTOR, GALLIUM ARSENIDE, ON THE GALLAR APPARATUS. THE EXPERIMENT LASTED FOR 240 HOURS.

THE COSMONAUTS ARE ALSO MONITORING THE STATE OF ECOLOGY IN SOME REGIONS OF THE SOVIET UNION. THE RESEARCH IS CONDUCTED WITH THE HELP OF VIDEOSPECTRAL EQUIPMENT INSTALLED IN THE KVANT-2 MODULE. A SPECIAL PHOTOUNIT, PRIRODA-5, INSTALLED IN THE KRISTALL MODULE, IS USED TO STUDY THE EARTH'S MINERAL RESOURCES. IT IS ALSO USED FOR ECOLOGICAL MONITORING.

-30- 1528

#90262t1865 09/19/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT 20) TASS - THE SOVIET UNION INTENDS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE WORLD EXPERIENCE OF PROVIDING LEGAL SUPPORT FOR A MARKET-BASED ECONOMY, WHEN IMPLEMENTING ECONOMIC REFORMS, SOVIET MINISTER OF JUSTICE VENIAMIN YAKOVLEV TOLD JOURNALISTS TODAY. HE SPOKE AT A PRESS CONFERENCE, HELD BY ORGANISERS OF THE SOVIET-AMERICAN CONFERENCE "THE LAW AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION", WHICH OPENED IN THE KREMLIN PALACE OF CONGRESSES ON SEPTEMBER 19.

YAKOVLEV SPOKE IN FAVOUR OF USING U.S. EXPERIENCE DURING THE SOVIET UNION'S TRANSITION TO A MARKET-ORIENTED SYSTEM. HE SAID THAT A PROGRAMME OF PRACTICAL TRAINING OF YOUNG SOVIET LAWYERS IN THE UNITED STATES IS BEING IMPLEMENTED. U.S. LAWYERS BEGAN TO VISIT THE SOVIET UNION REGULARLY. TWENTY EIGHT SUCH DELEGATIONS VISITED THE USSR IN THE CURRENT YEAR ALONE.

WILLIAM ROGERS, FORMER U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE AND CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S. PART OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, SAID THAT THE UNITED STATES IS INTERESTED IN THE SUCCESS OF THE ECONOMIC PROGRAMME OF SOVIET PERESTROIKA. HE SUPPORTED RELATIONS OF PARTNERSHIP WITH THE USSR IN THE SPHERE OF ECONOMY AND THE REMOVAL OF OBSTACLES ON THE WAY OF SOVIET-AMERICAN ECONOMIC COOPERATION, SPECIFICALLY, THE JACKSON-VANICK AMENDMENT. AT THE SAME TIME, HE POINTED OUT THAT THE ABSENCE OF A LAW ON THE PROTECTION OF FOREIGN INVESTMENTS IN THE SOVIET UNION HAMPERS U.S. INVESTMENTS IN THE USSR.

-30- 1557

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	84	64	.567	-	43-29	41-35	3-7	L-6
New York	83	64	.565	1/2	51-25	32-39	5-5	L-2
Montreal	79	68	.537	4 1/2	43-29	36-39	8-2	W-4
Chicago	71	76	.483	12 1/2	36-39	34-38	7-3	W-3
Philadel.	68	79	.463	15 1/2	35-36	33-43	5-5	W-2
St. Louis	66	82	.446	18	33-43	33-39	3-7	L-3
West								
Cincinnati	83	64	.565	-	42-30	41-34	4-6	L-1
Los Angeles	79	69	.534	4 1/2	42-30	37-38	7-3	W-2
San Fran.	76	72	.514	7 1/2	42-29	34-42	6-4	W-1
San Diego	70	77	.476	13	36-40	32-38	7-3	W-4
Houston	67	81	.453	16 1/2	43-29	24-51	4-6	L-2
Atlanta	59	89	.399	24 1/2	34-41	25-48	2-8	L-4

-30- 1005

#90262u0120 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - Syphilis has risen to its highest level since 1949 in the United States, with the resurgence of the venereal disease striking blacks hardest, government researchers reported.

After decreasing in the early 1980s, the overall rate of the sexually transmitted disease increased 61 percent between 1985 and 1989, with the incidence disproportionately high among black women and black men and in the South and the District of Columbia, the researchers said Tuesday.

The trends in syphilis transmission during the 1980s are ''likely to be important indicators of changes in sexual behavior'' affecting the course of the human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, which causes AIDS, said Drs. Robert Rolfs and Allyn Nakashima of the federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

While syphilis rates among non-Hispanic white men dropped 69 percent between 1982 and 1989, and rates for white women remained low and changed little, the rate for blacks jumped 132 percent from 1985 to 1989, the researchers reported in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Syphilis among black women increased from 36 cases per 100,000 people in 1985 to 99 cases in 1989, while for black men, there was an increase from 71 cases per 100,000 to 147 cases during the same period.

By contrast, the syphilis incidence among white men was 3.2 cases per 100,000 people in 1989 - about 46 times less than for black men - and about 1.9 per 100,000 for white women, or one-fiftieth the rate for black women.

''Incidence rates for Hispanics were intermediate between rates for whites and those for blacks,'' the study said, with rates in 1989 standing at 10 cases per 100,000 population for Hispanic women and 27 cases per 100,000 for Hispanic men.

Syphilis is caused by a bacterium called Treponema pallidum, which cannot survive long outside the human body but can quickly travel throughout the body after being transmitted through sexual contact. In early stages, syphilis causes sores on sexual organs. If left untreated, the disease can lead to various symptoms including lymph node enlargement, fatigue, headaches, skin rashes and joint pain.

Although antibiotics can successfully treat syphilis - making it much less deadly than HIV - increases in the syphilis rate are noteworthy because the ''dramatic increase in syphilis incidence among homosexual men during the 1970s foreshadowed'' the beginning of the AIDS epidemic in the 1980s, the researchers said.

Not only can the incidence of syphilis serve as an indicator of sexual behavior, its ability to cause genital sores makes it a potentially important

factor in the sexual spread of HIV, they said.

Rolfs and Nakashima found great variability in syphilis case rates among states and regions, with the lowest incidence in Midwest, Great Plains and Rocky Mountains states and the highest in the South.

The District of Columbia had the nation's highest syphilis rate at 150 per 100,000 people, the study said. Among states, Georgia had the highest rate at 60 per 100,000 people, followed by Florida, Louisiana, Connecticut, Delaware, New York, Tennessee, Mississippi, South Carolina and Texas.

For the United States as a whole, the syphilis rate was 18.4 per 100, 000 in 1989. Rolfs said the syphilis rate in 1949 was a reported 29 per 100,000. However, he noted that venereal disease reporting methods were not as sophisticated in the 1940s as they are today, so the actual number might have been higher.

Prior studies have suggested that the spread of syphilis is linked to illegal drugs, especially cocaine, and corresponding high-risk sexual activity, including prostitution, the researchers said. The current epidemic appears to affect mostly the ''minority, drug-using population, '' they said.

In an editorial accompanying the study, Dr. H. Hunter Handsfield of the University of Washington called the syphilis trend ''explosive.'' But while cocaine and high-risk sex may play specific roles in the epidemic, the ''underlying problems are unemployment, poverty, poor education, prejudice and inadequate health care, which in turn lead to crime, prostitution, substance abuse, family disruption and despair,'' he said.

Handsfield predicted control over the spread of HIV and syphilis ''will not come until the nation and governments at all levels develop the will and means to solve the interactive problems of the inner city.''

-30- 4673

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	3	2	1	0	Hatcher lf	4	0	0	0
Bass rf	3	0	0	0	Morris 1b	4	2	2	0
Santana pr	0	0	0	0	Doran 2b	4	0	1	0
Kingery rf	0	0	0	0	O'Neill rf	4	0	1	0
Clark 1b	4	2	3	3	Sabo 3b	4	1	2	2
Mitchell lf	5	1	2	2	Winnnghm cf	2	0	0	0
MaWillims 3b	4	0	0	0	Braggs lf	2	0	1	0
Decker c	4	0	1	0	Duncan ss	4	0	1	1

RoThmpsn 2b	4	0	1	0	Oliver c	2	0	0	0
Benjamin ss	3	0	0	0	Oester ph	1	0	0	0
Burkett p	4	0	0	0	Trevino c	0	0	0	0
Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0	Davis ph	1	0	0	0
					Browning p	2	0	0	0
					Layana p	0	0	0	0
					Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0
					Armstrong p	0	0	0	0
					Quinones ph	1	0	0	0
					Minutelli p	0	0	0	0
					Brown p	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	5	8	5	Totals	35	3	8	3

San Francisco	101	020	001- 5
Cincinnati	000	100	002- 3

E-Duncan. DP-Cincinnati 2. LOB-San Francisco 9, Cincinnati 5. 2B-Mitchell, Thompson, Sabo, Morris. HR-Clark 2 (18), Mitchell (35).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Burkett (W 13-7)	8 2-3	7	3	3	0	2
Bedrosian (S 13)	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati						
Browning (L 13-9)	5 1-3	7	4	4	2	2
Layana	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Rodriguez	1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Armstrong	1 2-3	0	0	0	1	2
Minutelli	0	0	1	1	2	0
Brown	1	0	0	0	0	0

Minutelli pitched to 3e batters in 9th.

WP-Minutelli. HBP-By Rodriguez (Bass), by Minutelli (Bass).

Umpires- Home, Pulli; 1b, Rippley; 2b, Darling; 3b, Froemming.

T-2:31. A-26,142.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Harris 3b	5	1	3	0	McDowell lf	4	0	1	0
Javier cf	4	1	1	0	Treadway 2b	4	1	1	0
Daniels lf	4	2	1	2	Gant cf	4	0	0	0
Gott p	0	0	0	0	Justice rf	4	0	1	0
Murray 1b	5	1	3	0	Gregg 1b	4	0	2	1

Brooks rf	4	0	0	1	Presley 3b	4	0	1	0
Scioscia c	3	0	0	0	Whitt c	4	0	0	0
Samuel 2b	3	1	0	0	Blauser ss	3	1	1	1
Offerman ss	3	0	1	1	Marak p	1	0	0	0
Neidlinger p	3	0	0	0	Castillo p	0	0	0	0
Gwynn ph	1	0	0	0	Bell ph	1	0	0	0
Gonzalez lf	0	0	0	0	Freeman p	0	0	0	0
					Lemke ph	1	0	0	0
					Henry p	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	6	9	4	Totals	34	2	7	2

Los Angeles	300	030	000-	6
Atlanta	000	001	001-	2

E-Justice, Gregg. DP-Atlanta 1. LOB-Los Angeles 9, Atlanta 5. 2B-Daniels, Treadway. HR-Blauser (8). SF-Brooks.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Neidlinger (W 5-1)	7	4	1	1	0	1
Gott	2	3	1	1	0	1
Atlanta						
Marak (L 0-2)	4 1-3	6	5	5	4	3
Castillo	1 2-3	2	1	0	1	1
Freeman	2	1	0	0	1	2
Henry	1	0	0	0	0	1

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, Marsh; 2b, Wendelstedt; 3b, West.

T-2:19. A-3,891.

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Raines lf	4	2	2	1	Johnson ss	4	0	1	0
DaMartinz cf	4	0	2	1	Herr 2b	3	1	1	0
Noboa ss	1	0	1	1	Magadan 1b	4	1	2	0
Deshields 2b	4	0	0	0	Strawberry rf	4	1	1	3
Wallach 3b	5	1	2	0	McReynlds lf	4	0	0	0
Walker rf	3	0	0	0	Jefferies 3b	3	0	1	0
Galarraga 1b	4	0	1	0	Franco p	0	0	0	0
Fitzgerald c	4	1	3	1	Boston cf	2	0	0	0
Owen ss	3	0	0	0	Miller cf	1	0	0	0
Burke p	0	0	0	0	Sasser ph	1	0	0	0
Boyd p	2	0	0	0	Obrien c	2	0	0	0
Ruskin p	0	0	0	0	Hughes ph	1	0	0	0
Foley ss	0	0	0	0	Gooden p	1	0	0	0

Nixon cf	1	0	0	0	Tabler ph	1	0	0	0
					Pena p	0	0	0	0
					Omalley 3b	1	0	0	0
Totals	35	4	11	4	Totals	32	3	6	3

Montreal	000	021	001-	4
New York	000	000	030-	3

E-Boston. DP-New York 2. LOB- Montreal 9, New York 6. 2B-DaMartinez 2, Magadan Wallach, Fitzgerald. HR- Strawberry (35). SB-Galarraga (20), Jefferies (16), Deshields (39), Raines (44). S-Gooden, Boyd.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Boyd	6	4	0	0	2	4
Ruskin	1 1-3	2	3	3	1	3
Burke (W 2-3)	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	0
New York						
Gooden	7	8	3	3	4	5
Pena	1	1	0	0	0	1
Franco (L 5-2)	1	2	1	1	0	1

WP-Franco.

Umpires- Home, Davidson; 1b, C Williams; 2b, McSherry; 3b, Montague.

T-3:10. A-29,435.

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Backman 3b	3	1	1	1	Walton cf	5	2	2	1
King 3b	2	0	0	0	Sandberg 2b	3	0	1	0
Bell ss	2	1	0	0	Grace 1b	4	1	2	0
VanSlyke cf	3	1	1	1	Dawson rf	4	1	1	2
Bonilla rf	4	0	2	3	Salazar 3b	4	1	1	1
Bonds lf	3	0	0	0	Dunston ss	4	2	2	0
Bream 1b	4	0	0	0	Berryhill c	4	1	2	3
Lavalliere c	3	1	0	0	Dascenzo lf	3	0	0	1
Lind 2b	4	0	1	0	Maddux p	4	0	1	0
Smiley p	0	0	0	0					
Palacios p	0	0	0	0					
Cangelosi ph	1	0	1	0					
York p	0	0	0	0					
Merced ph	1	1	0	0					
Reuss p	0	0	0	0					
Bair p	0	0	0	0					

Reynolds ph	1	0	0	0					
Belinda p	0	0	0	0					
Redus ph	0	0	0	0					
Totals	31	5	6	5	Totals	35	8	12	8

Pittsburgh	100	040	000-	5
Chicago	601	100	00x-	8

E-Salazar. DP-Chicago 2. LOB- Pittsburgh 5, Chicago 5. 2B-Bonilla, Sandberg. 3B-Dawson. HR-Walton (2), Berryhill (1). S-Bell. SF-Dascenzo.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Smiley (L 8-10)	0 1-3	6	6	6	0	1
Palacios	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	2
York	2	3	2	2	1	2
Reuss	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bair	1	2	0	0	0	1
Belinda	2	0	0	0	0	3
Chicago						
Maddux (W 14-13)	9	6	5	2	5	4

Umpires-Home, Winters; 1b, Davis; 2b, Layne; 3b, Runge.

T-2:21. A-23,168.

PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	ST LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	5	0	0	0	OSmith ss	5	0	1	0
Morandini 2b	5	0	0	0	Zeile 3b	2	1	0	0
VHayes lf	5	1	1	0	Lankford cf	4	0	0	0
Murphy rf	4	2	2	0	Guerrero 1b	5	0	0	0
Kruk 1b	3	2	2	3	Jose rf	4	1	2	1
Daulton c	2	1	1	0	Thompson lf	4	0	1	0
Thon ss	4	0	1	0	Pagnozzi c	4	1	1	0
Hollins 3b	3	0	1	2	Oquendo 2b	2	0	1	0
Grimsley p	2	0	1	1	Tewksbury p	2	0	1	0
Chambrln ph	1	0	0	0	Pena ph	1	0	0	0
Ontiveros p	0	0	0	0	Dayley p	0	0	0	0
Fletcher ph	1	0	0	0	Walling ph	1	0	1	1
Boever p	0	0	0	0	Collins pr	0	0	0	0
					Camacho p	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	6	9	6	Totals	34	3	8	2

Philadelphia	023	000	010-	6
St Louis	001	010	100-	3

E-V Hayes. DP-Philadelphia 1. LOB-Philadelphia 6, St Louis 14. 2B-Jose. HR-Kruk (6). SF-Hollins.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Grimsley (W 2-2)	5	5	2	2	8	4
Ontiveros	2	3	1	1	1	3
Boever (S 13)	2	0	0	0	1	1
St Louis						
Tewksbury (L 10-7)	5	8	5	5	0	2
Dayley	2	0	0	0	0	1
Camacho	2	1	1	1	2	4

WP-Grimsley 2. BALK-Boever. HBP- Daulton By Tewksbury.

Umpires-Home, Tata; 1b, Quick; 2b, Bonin; 3b, Rennert.

T-2:48. A-15,588.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts lf	5	2	1	2	Biggio c	3	0	0	0
Harris p	0	0	0	0	McGriff c	1	0	0	0
Lefferts p	0	0	0	0	Candaele 2b	3	0	0	0
Alomar 2b	5	1	2	0	Rhodes cf	1	0	0	0
JaClark 1b	3	2	2	3	Clancy p	0	0	0	0
Stephensn 1b	1	0	0	0	Rohde ph	1	0	0	0
Carter cf	5	2	3	2	Simms 1b	1	0	0	0
Lynn rf	4	0	0	0	Davis 1b	3	0	0	0
Abner rf	1	0	0	0	Hernandez p	0	0	0	0
Santiago c	4	0	1	0	Cedeno ph	1	0	0	0
Pagliarulo 3b	3	0	1	1	Davidson lf	0	0	0	0
Templeton ss	3	1	1	0	Stubbs lf	4	0	1	0
JeClark lf	0	0	0	0	Osuna p	0	0	0	0
Whitson p	1	0	0	0	Caminiti 3b	1	1	1	0
Cora ss	1	0	0	0	Gonzalez 3b	2	0	0	0
					Anthony rf	4	0	1	0
					Ramirez ss	4	0	2	1
					Gullickson p	1	0	0	0
					Young cf	1	0	1	0
Totals	36	8	11	8	Totals	31	1	6	1

San Diego	012	212	000-	8
Houston	000	010	000-	1

DP-San Diego 2, Houston 1. LOB-San Diego 6, Houston 7. 2B-Pagliarulo. HR-Carter (24), Roberts (9), JaClark (23). SB-Roberts (41), Carter (20), Alomar (21). S- Whitson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Whitson (W 13-8)	7	6	1	1	4	3
Harris	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lefferts	1	0	0	0	0	1
Houston						
Gullickson (L 9-13)	4 2-3	8	6	6	2	2
Clancy	1 1-3	2	2	2	1	0
Hernandez	2	0	0	0	1	0
Osuna	1	1	0	0	0	0

WP-Clancy.

Umpires-Home, Crawford; 1b, Harvey; 2b, Demuth; 3b, Gregg.

T-2:29. A-5,189.

-30- 11125
#90262u0205 09/19/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 19) UPI - Israel accepted more immigrants over the last 12 months than in any similar period since its founding in 1948. 115-thousand people moved to the Jewish state, pushing the population to four-point-seven-Million. And Israel plans to accommodate another 100-thousand before the end of the year and perhaps as many as 400-thousand next year.

The U-S Centers for Disease Control reports that the syphilis rate in the United States is at its highest level since 1949. The most alarming recent increase was among blacks, who reported a 132-percent rise in cases of the disease from 1985 to 1989. The syphilis rate for the country as a whole was 18-point-four cases per 100-thousand people.

-30- 851
#90262u0322 09/19/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 19) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International: .

The capital gains tax is the big item dividing Republicans and Democrats trying to agree on budget cuts. The Bush administration wants the tax lowered. Democrats say they will NOT agree unless other taxes on rich people are increased. Negotiations resume today on Capitol Hill.

A name-calling match broke out yesterday between feminist leaders and Republican senators at David Souter's confirmation hearing. The women accused the senators of sexism. The six women claim the New Hampshire judge will vote against abortion rights if he's appointed to the Supreme Court.

President Bush hit the campaign trail yesterday, appearing in Denver and Los Angeles on behalf of Republican candidates in the November elections. Today, he stumps for California gubernatorial candidate Pete Wilson in San Francisco. Bush says he will NOT let the Iraqi crisis keep him from campaigning.

Another member of the Lundgren family has been convicted of cult killings in northern Ohio. 19-year-old Damon Lundgren was found guilty of four counts of aggravated murder and four counts of kidnapping. Both of his parents have been convicted in previous trials.

The House has passed and sent to the White House a bill to set quotas on imports of textiles, clothing and shoes. President Reagan vetoed similar bills and President Bush says he will veto this one. Reagan said the bill threatens the stability of the world trading system.

The Pentagon says U-S operations will end at 127 military bases in other countries. Most of the bases are minor ones, but two air bases in West Germany and one in Spain are included. The largest number of bases, 94, are in Germany. Troop strength at 23 other U-S military sites will be reduced.

-30- 1985

#90262u0325 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 19) UPI - Building of the Mount Graham telescope project in Arizona has been halted. A federal court ordered a stop until it hears appeals from the Sierra Club. The conservation group contends an endangered red squirrel is threatened. The project is to consist of three telescopes, including the world's most powerful.

Exiled Soviet writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn says the Soviet empire must be broken up. Writing in a Soviet newspaper, he said the three Slavic republics- Russia, Byelorussia and the Ukraine- should form a new republic. He calls for immediate independence for the other republics of the Soviet Union.

For the first time since the thrift scandal broke, Charles Keating faces criminal charges. He was jailed in Los Angeles yesterday on charges of defrauding people by selling junk bonds. Keating headed the Lincoln Savings and Loan. His lawyer said he is broke and can NOT post a five-Million-dollar bond.

Bystanders were covered with bricks yesterday when a facade covering two buildings collapsed in downtown Philadelphia. Three people were killed and

eight injured. Eight people were dug out of the rubble. Passersby volunteered to pick through bricks and debris as injured people cried out for help.

The Detroit tavern owner who was in a pickup truck with former New York Yankee baseball manager Billy Martin when he was killed was convicted yesterday. A jury in Fenton, New York, found William Reedy guilty of driving with alcohol in his system. Reedy was fined 350 dollars and will lose his driver's license for six months.

-30- 1728

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Chicago at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.
Boston at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
New York at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.
Kansas City at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.
Texas at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.
Detroit at California, 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Pittsburgh at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Montreal at New York, 7:35 p.m.
San Francisco at Atlanta, 7:40 p.m.
Philadelphia at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Cincinnati at Houston, 8:35 p.m.
San Diego at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

GAMES

Las Lenas, Argentina - Winter Pan American Games
Tokyo - International Olympic Committee Session

TENNIS

Paris - Women's $100,000 Clarins Open, Paris.

-30- 847

#90262u0338 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

OKLAHOMA CITY (SEPT. 19) UPI - Businessman David Walters, who never held public office, and former U.S. Attorney Bill Price claimed victories early Wednesday in the runoff primary for Oklahoma governor.

Walters, a Democrat who lost the 1986 general election to Gov. Henry Bellmon, said, ''It's time to put somebody different in the governor's chair. I think I am going to be that governor.'' Bellmon is not seeking re-election.

Walters was the apparent winner over Rep. Wes Watkins, who gave up his 3rd District seat in Congress to run for governor.

Watkins conceded, and said he will have to sit down and talk with Walters before deciding whether to endorse him in the Nov. 6 general election.

Restaurant owner and former television newscaster Vince Orza, the leader in the Aug. 28 Republican primary, conceded defeat late Tuesday.

''It is an honor tonight to join the ranks of the eight guys who didn't make it,'' Orza said. ''I have no remorse right now. I am proud. I look forward to working with Bill (Price) to get Oklahoma going again.''

Former University of Oklahoma quarterback Jack Mildren was the apparent winner over Oklahoma State University political science professor Jim Davis for the Democratic nomination for lieutenant governor. Terry Neese won the Republican nomination.

Voters approved three state questions, including a first-in-the- nation proposal to limit legislators' service to 12 years. The proposal included a grandfather clause, giving current lawmakers another 12 years before the clock starts running.

Other questions approved were a constitutionally-based Ethics Commission and permission for state employees to work in places where alcoholic beverages are served.

-30- 1929

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
JoReed 2b	4	1	1	0	Finley rf	4	0	0	0
Quintana 1b	4	0	0	0	Gallagher lf	3	0	0	0
Boggs 3b	4	0	1	1	Anderson lf	1	0	0	0
Burks cf	4	0	1	0	Gomez 3b	3	0	0	0
Greenwell lf	4	0	0	0	CRipken ss	4	1	1	0
Evans dh	4	0	1	0	Worthngtn dh	2	0	0	0
Romine rf	2	0	0	0	Horn dh	1	0	1	0
Heep ph	1	0	0	0	Hoiles c	4	1	1	0
Pena c	2	0	0	0	Devereaux cf	3	1	1	1

Rivera ss	2	0	0	0	Segui 1b	2	1	1	3
					BRipken 2b	3	0	1	0
Totals	31	1	4	1	Totals	30	4	6	4

Boston	000	001	000- 1
Baltimore	000	000	40x- 4

E-Quintana, Gomez. DP-Baltimore 1. LOB-Boston 6, Baltimore 5. 2B-JoReed, BRipken, Horn. HR-Segui (2). SB-Romine (4).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Bolton (L 9-4)	6 2-3	5	4	4	2	4
Gardner	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Reardon	1	1	0	0	1	0
Baltimore						
Mesa (W 2-2)	7	3	1	1	3	3
Schilling	1	0	0	0	0	0
Olson (S 32)	1	1	0	0	0	1

Umpires- Home, Morrison; 1b, Roe; 2b, L Barnett; 3b, Kosc.

T-2:58. A-23,308.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi
Kelly cf	4	0	2	1	Wilson cf	4	0	0	0
Sax 2b	4	0	1	0	Fernandez ss	4	0	0	0
Mattingly dh	4	0	1	0	Gruber 3b	3	1	1	0
Maas 1b	4	1	1	1	McGriff 1b	2	0	0	0
JeBarfield rf	2	0	0	0	Bell dh	3	1	1	0
Nokes c	3	0	0	0	Ducey lf	2	1	0	0
Leyritz ph	1	0	0	0	Williams ph	1	0	0	0
Geren c	0	0	0	0	Myers c	3	0	1	1
Meulens lf	2	1	0	0	Borders ph	0	0	0	0
Blowers 3b	3	0	0	0	Mulliniks ph	1	0	1	1
Walewndr pr	0	0	0	0	Lee 2b	2	0	0	1
Velarde 3b	0	0	0	0	Felix rf	3	0	0	0
Espinoza ss	4	0	1	0					
Totals	31	2	6	2	Totals	28	3	4	3

Two outs when the winning run scored.

New York	000	010	010- 2
Toronto	000	020	001- 3

LOB-New York 7, Toronto 5. 2B-Espinoza, Myers. HR-Maas (19). S-McGriff. SF-

Lee.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Witt	8	2	2	2	3	3
Guetterman (L 10-7)	2-3	1	1	1	1	0
Robinson	0	1	0	0	0	0
Toronto						
Stieb	7	5	1	1	3	6
Black (W 12-10)	2	1	1	1	1	0

HBP-(Barfield) by Black.

Umpires-Home, Reilly; 1b, Garcia; 2b, Hendry; 3b, Palermo.

T-2:52. A-49,887.

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 1b	4	0	0	0	Cole cf	5	0	0	0
Gantner 2b	5	1	1	0	Browne 2b	3	1	2	2
Yount cf	3	1	1	0	Webster lf	5	2	2	0
Parker dh	5	1	3	1	Maldonad dh	4	0	3	0
Deer rf	4	0	0	0	Jefferson pr	1	1	0	0
Surhoff c	3	0	1	1	Alomar c	3	1	2	2
Vaughn lf	4	0	3	1	Jacoby 3b	3	1	1	0
Sveum 3b	4	0	0	0	Ward rf	5	1	2	1
Diaz ss	3	0	0	0	Manto 1b	3	1	2	1
Brock ph	1	0	0	0	Fermin ss	4	0	2	1
McIntosh c	0	0	0	0					
Totals	36	3	9	3	Totals	36	8	16	7

Milwaukee	102	000	000-	3
Cleveland	001	021	31x-	8

E-Surhoff, August. LOB-Milwaukee 10, Cleveland 13. 2B-Gantner, Vaughn, Browne 2, Alomar, Manto. SB-Webster (22), Jefferson (8), T Ward (2). S-Fermin, Alomar. SF-Alomar.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Krueger	4 1-3	10	3	3	1	0
August (L 0-3)	2	2	2	2	1	0
Crim	0	2	2	2	2	0
Elvira	1 2-3	2	1	1	2	1

Cleveland							
Nagy (W 1-4)	7 1-3	9	3	3	3	8
Jones (S 37)	1 2-3	0	0	0	1	0

Crim pitched to four batters in the 7th.

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, McCoy; 2b, Phillips; 3b, Clark.

T-2:56. A- 4,082.

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
McRae cf	5	0	1	2	Gladden lf	4	1	2	1
Seitzer 2b	4	0	1	0	Liriano 2b	5	1	2	2
Brett 1b	4	0	1	0	Leius ss	0	0	0	0
Jackson lf	4	0	0	0	Puckett cf	4	2	1	0
Perry dh	4	1	1	0	Mack cf	0	0	0	0
Eisenreich rf	4	0	0	0	Hrbek 1b	4	1	2	3
Berry 3b	3	1	1	1	Gaetti 3b	4	1	1	0
Schulz ph	1	0	0	0	Bush dh	4	1	1	0
Mayne c	3	1	1	1	Munoz rf	4	1	1	1
Stillwell ss	3	1	1	0	Ortiz c	4	1	1	1
					Newman ss	3	1	1	1
Totals	35	4	7	4	Totals	36	10	12	9

Kansas City	003	100	000- 4
Minnesota	100	160	02x-10

E-Berry, Stillwell, Mayne, Liriano. DP- Kansas City 1. LOB-Kansas City 6, Minnesota 7. 2B-Hrbek, Puckett, Berry, Perry. 3B-McRae, Gladden, Liriano. SB-Gladden (24), Newman (13). SF-Hrbek.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Gordon (L 11-11)	4 2-3	8	7	6	2	4
McGaffigan	1-3	3	1	1	0	0
Sanchez	1	0	0	0	0	1
Maldonado	1 1-3	1	2	2	2	3
Smith	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Minnesota						
Erickson (W 6-4)	7	5	4	4	0	5
Drummond	1	1	0	0	0	1
Garces	1	1	0	0	1	0

HBP-Stillwell By Erickson.

Umpires-Home, Shulock; 1b, Merrill; 2b, McClelland; 3b, Denkinger.

T-2:39. A-11,621.

TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Huson ss	4	0	1	0	Reynolds 2b	4	1	1	1
Franco 2b	4	0	1	0	Martinez 3b	3	1	0	0
Palmeiro 1b	4	0	0	0	Griffey Jr cf	3	1	0	1
Sierra rf	4	1	2	0	Davis dh	4	1	2	4
Incaviglia lf	3	1	1	1	Obrien 1b	3	0	0	0
Reimer dh	4	1	2	0	Buhner rf	3	0	0	0
Gonzalez cf	4	0	2	1	Briley lf	3	1	2	0
Petralli c	4	0	1	0	Valle c	2	1	0	0
Buechele 3b	3	0	0	0	Vizquel ss	2	0	0	0
Daugherty ph	1	0	0	0	Griffey ph	1	0	1	1
					Schaefer ss	1	1	0	0
Totals	35	3	10	2	Totals	29	7	6	7

Texas	020	000	001-	3
Seattle	000	000	70x-	7

E-Delucia. DP-Texas 1, Seattle 2. LOB-Texas 6, Seattle 5. 2B-Gonzalez, Davis. HR-Davis (13), Incaviglia (23). SB-Briley 2 (15).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Hough	6 2-3	3	2	2	4	1
Jeffcoat (L 4-6)	0	2	2	2	0	0
Russell	0	0	1	1	1	0
Rogers	1-3	1	2	2	1	0
Arnsberg	1	0	0	0	1	2
Seattle						
Delucia (W 1-0)	8	8	3	2	1	6
Jackson	1	2	0	0	0	0

Jeffcoat pitched to two batters in 7th; Russell pitched to one batter in 7th; Delucia pitched to one batter in the 9th.

Umpires-Home, Ford; 1b, Evans; 2b, Welke; 3b, Coble.

T-2:34. A-7,333.

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi

Phillips 2b	5	1	2	0	Polonia lf	4	0	1	0
Fryman 3b	5	0	2	1	Ray 2b	4	0	0	0
Trammell ss	4	0	0	0	Downing dh	3	0	0	0
Fielder 1b	3	0	1	0	Winfield rf	3	1	0	0
Ward dh	4	1	1	0	Stevens 1b	3	1	1	1
Lemon rf	4	0	1	0	Parrish c	4	0	1	0
Moseby lf	3	1	1	0	Howell 3b	2	0	0	0
Heath c	4	0	1	0	Schofield ss	2	0	0	1
Cuyler cf	2	0	0	2	Davis ph	1	0	0	0
					White cf	0	0	0	0
					Venable cf	2	0	0	0
Totals	34	3	9	3	Totals	28	2	3	2

Detroit	110	100	000-	3
California	010	100	000-	2

E-Schofield, Finley. DP-California 1. LOB-Detroit 8, California 6. 2B-Heath, Phillips. HR-Stevens (6). S-Cuyler. SF-D Schofield, Cuyler.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Morris (W 12-18)	7	3	2	2	5	4
Henneman (S 21)	2	0	0	0	0	0
California						
Finley (L 18-7)	9	9	3	1	2	7

PB-Parrish. HBP-D White By Morris.

Umpires-Home, Kaiser; 1b, Johnson; 2b, McKean; 3b, Voltaggio.

T-2:43. A-22,397.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Calderon dh	5	2	3	2	RHendersn lf	3	0	1	0
Johnson cf	4	0	0	0	Bordick 2b	0	0	0	0
Fisk c	5	0	1	0	McGee cf	5	1	1	0
Thomas 1b	3	0	1	1	Canseco rf	4	0	0	0
Pasqua lf	4	1	2	0	Baines dh	4	1	2	1
McCray lf	1	0	0	0	Lewis ph	0	0	0	0
Sosa rf	5	2	2	2	Lansford 3b	3	0	1	0
Ventura 3b	4	1	1	0	Blankenshp lf	1	0	0	0
Fletcher 2b	3	2	2	2	McGwire 1b	4	0	0	0
Guillen ss	4	0	1	1	Steinbach c	4	0	1	0
					Afenir c	0	0	0	0
					Weiss ss	2	0	1	0

					Gallego 2b	4	0	2	0
Totals	38	8	13	8	Totals	34	2	9	1

Chicago	020	213	000- 8
Oakland	002	000	000- 2

E-Guillen, Pasqua. DP-Chicago 1, Oakland 1. LOB-Chicago 7, Oakland 13.
2B-Pasqua, Ventura, Fletcher. 3B-Sosa. HR-Baines (15), Sosa (14), Fletcher (4)
Calderon (14). SB-R Henderson (61). S- Weiss, Johnson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Fernandez (W 4-3)	7	8	2	2	5	5
Patterson	2	1	0	0	1	2
Oakland						
Moore (L 12-13)	4	8	5	5	0	1
Burns	2	4	3	3	0	0
Nelson	2	1	0	0	3	1
Klink	1	0	0	0	0	0

Moore pitched to 1 batter in the 5th.

HBP-R Henderson by Patterson.

Umpires-Home, Cousins; 1b, Reed; 2b, Cooney; 3b, Brinkman.

T-3:27. A-33,728.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 19) UPI - Alexander Solzhenitsyn, writing for the first time in a Soviet newspaper since his expulsion in 1974, said the Soviet empire must be abandoned and replaced by a new non-Communist Russia consisting of only the Slavic republics.

''We should now make our choice between the empire which is murdering us and the spiritual and physical revival of our people,'' Solzhenitsyn wrote in an unprecedented 16-page article in the Komsomolskaya Pravda newspaper.

Solzhenitsyn, who has refused to come home from the United States despite receiving his citizenship back last month, also said that communism's time was spent.

''The clock of communism has ticked away its time,'' he said. ''But its concrete building has not yet been destroyed. And we should not perish under

its ruins.''

A fervent Russian nationalist and anti-Communist, Solzhenitsyn said the new Russia should include only the Russian republic, the Ukraine and Byelorussia rather than consist of 15 republics as now in a massive land empire.

''If we have no forces either economic or moral for an empire - then good riddance,'' he said.

The Nobel Prize winner, in the extensive article, said Japan began to flourish only ''after it gave up its ideas of its international mission and political adventurism.''

''We should loudly, precisely and immediately declare freedom for the three Baltic republics, the three Transcaucasian republics, four Central Asian republics, and should let Moldavia join Romania if it wants.''

He said that the fifth central Asian Moslem republic of Kazakhstan, a giant region second only in size to the Russian republic, should be divided, and that only the genuinely non-Russian part should receive independence.

Solzhenitsyn, who was imprisoned in a Gulag labor camp in Kazakhstan, said that the northern area of that republic is really part of Siberia and the Russian Urals.

''Moreover, this virgin area was cultivated by Russian prisoners and the peoples who were exiled there,'' Solzhenitsyn wrote.

Solzhenitsyn, who has lived in Cavendish, Vt., since he was driven out of the Soviet Union, donated the proceeds of his article to the victims of the Chernobyl nuclear accident of April 1986.

In place of communism, Russia must find salvation in a revived Orthodox Church Solzhenitsyn wrote in his article, which will also be republished in a special supplement put out by the weekly Literaturnaya Gazeta newspaper.

''The church will help us in the public renovation when it finds forces to free itself fully from the power of the state and restore its links with the people's feelings,'' he said.

Although Solzhenitsyn's works are now published openly in the Soviet Union, the writer previously had not written for a Soviet newspaper or magazine since his forced departure from the Soviet Union.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Boston	81	68	.544	-	46-27	35-41	3-7	L-1
Toronto	81	68	.544	-	42-35	39-33	8-2	W-5
Detroit	72	77	.483	9	36-39	36-38	6-4	W-3
Milwaukee	69	79	.466	11 1/2	34-38	35-41	3-7	L-2
Cleveland	69	80	.463	12	38-37	31-43	8-2	W-2
Baltimore	66	81	.449	14	34-39	32-42	4-6	W-1
New York	60	88	.405	20 1/2	32-39	28-49	3-7	L-4
West								
Oakland	94	54	.635	-	47-27	47-27	6-4	L-2
Chicago	86	62	.581	8	45-29	41-33	7-3	W-6
Texas	78	70	.527	16	45-30	33-40	7-3	L-1
California	74	74	.500	20	41-35	33-39	5-5	L-3
Seattle	73	76	.490	21 1/2	38-39	35-37	5-5	W-1
Kansas City	69	79	.466	25	42-33	27-46	3-7	L-1
Minnesota	67	83	.447	28	36-38	31-45	2-8	W-1

-30- 1119

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - The Pentagon said the number of Iraqi troops and tanks in Kuwait and southern Iraq has increased sharply within the past two weeks, while in China, athletes of the invaded oil emirate defied Baghdad at the Asian Games.

Two weeks ago, Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said there were 265, 000 Iraqi troops and 2,200 tanks in the area - 150,000 troops in Kuwait and 115,000 in Iraqi areas north and west of Kuwait.

He said Tuesday that the Iraqis have about 360,000 troops, 2,800 tanks and 1,450 pieces of artillery in Kuwait and southern Iraq. However, Williams said the increase comes from a general buildup and ''no sudden surge'' of forces.

He also said Iraq appeared to be pulling back its armor from the border region with Saudi Arabia but increasing the number of tanks and artillery farther back, and placing more infantry on the front lines.

''It's neither more defensive or less defensive,'' Williams said of Iraq's posture.

Defiant Kuwaiti athletes hoisted their national flag at the Asian Games in Beijing Tuesday despite Baghdad's orders to compete as Iraqis.

Kuwait entered 43 athletes in the Asian Games, remnants of a delegation that originally numbered about 330.

''We believe that in the near future we can entertain our Chinese friends in the state of Kuwait,'' said Sheikh Ahmad Fahad al Sabah, the new president of the Kuwait National Olympic Committee. He succeeded his father, slain during the assault by Iraqi troops into Kuwait Aug. 2.

The Olympic Council of Asia have scheduled a vote for Thursday in Beijing on a proposal to bar Iraq from the games.

An Iraqi newspaper reported that senior Iraqi Revolution Command Council member Saadoun Shaker, 51, a childhood friend of Saddam Hussein and a former interior minister, resigned his post ''for health reasons at his own request.''

The government-run daily Al Waqaie al Iraqia (Iraqi facts) gave no other details, but one Western diplomat said he was forced out for opposing the Iraqi leader's policy on Kuwait. The resignation was the first from the ranks of Saddam's senior aides since the invasion.

In Cairo, an Egyptian Foreign Ministry source familiar with Iraqi politics said there were divisions over policy toward Kuwait among Saddam's other key aides including Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, son-in-law Hussein Kamel and Taha Yassin Ramadan, deputy premier and head of the powerful militia of the ruling Baathist Party and Izzat Ibrahim, the council's deputy chairman.

Cairo Radio reported Iraqi troops with tanks had set up new camps near a number of foreign diplomatic premises in Kuwait, including the U.S. Embassy, which is among a handful of countries refusing to shut down its diplomatic representation.

The French navy announced the United States, Australia, France, Britain, the Netherlands and Italy have agreed to divide the Persian Gulf region into separate areas of patrol to better enforce the U.N. trade embargo against Iraq.

The navy said agreement among Western nations to divide into spheres of influence the Gulf of Oman, the Strait of Hormuz and the western Persian Gulf waters was hammered out at a meeting of officers from the four West European countries aboard the French frigate Dupleix in the Strait of Hormuz Friday.

A separate meeting of U.S. and Australian naval commanders reserved other sectors of the region for their vessels, the statement said.

France had been pressing for such a formal agreement for some time because of considerable duplication of efforts by different navies checking on ships that might be trying to break the embargo. Sometimes the same cargo ship would be questioned as many as 15 times, French Defense Ministry sources said.

In a memorandum quoted by the official Saudi Press Agency, Kuwait's exiled government complained to the Arab League that Iraqi authorities decided a week

ago to tighten their grip on Kuwaitis ''through inhuman ill-treatment and more repressive measures,'' with the aim of driving them from their homeland.

The Kuwaiti memorandum said Iraqis arrested a large number of Kuwaitis for refusing to cooperate with them, subjecting them to torture and ''all sorts of humiliation.'' It said Iraq had also carried out ''barbaric'' public executions.

It cited the example of a man who was shot dead for refusing to switch a portrait of the toppled Kuwaiti emir in his shop with a picture of Saddam.

In addition, the memorandum said all those leaving Kuwait were being asked to surrender their official documents.

''This seems to be aimed at obliterating the Kuwaiti identity and resettling Iraqi families or families of pro-Iraqi nationalities in the Kuwaiti homes,'' it said.

The exodus of Kuwaitis slowed as Saudi officials made painstaking identity checks to screen out Iraqi infiltrators. But Saudi officials said Tuesday an estimated 8,000 Kuwaitis had fled across the border since Iraq opened the crossing Saturday.

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#90262u0505 09/19/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 18) UPI - With an ace missing from their lineup, the Boston Red Sox have let another lead slip away.

The Red Sox, known to break fans' hearts with late-season failings, held a 6 1-2 game lead over the Toronto Blue Jays in the American League East two weeks ago. But then Roger Clemens was sidelined with a shoulder problem.

Boston went on to lose nine of 14 games without the 20-game winner, including Tuesday's 4-1 loss to the Baltimore Orioles that dropped the Red Sox into a tie with Toronto, a 3-2 winner over the New York Yankees.

''You never know what would've happened (had Clemens stayed healthy), '' Red Sox Manager Joe Morgan said. ''You figure we'd have one or two more victories with him.''

The Red Sox last won the World Series in 1918, making them the AL franchise that has gone the longest without winning a World Series. Boston has lost four Series since 1918, the most painful coming in 1986 against the New York Mets.

Clemens is scheduled to return to the rotation Sunday.

Cal Ripken Jr.'s seventh-inning single broke up a no-hit bid by Red Sox

left-hander Tom Bolton, who failed to finish the inning. One out later, Chris Hoiles singled and Mike Devereaux singled in Ripken to tie the score 1-1. David Segui then smashed a line-drive home run to left, his second of the season, to give the Orioles a 4-1 lead.

''You never feel a guy's going to throw a no-hitter against you,'' Devereaux said. ''That inning just got away from him.''

''I was sailing along, gave up a hit, then we missed a chance for the double play,'' Bolton said. ''A ball sneaks through the infield, home run ... bad time for it to happen.''

Orioles starter Jose Mesa, 2-2, lasted seven innings. Gregg Olson pitched the ninth for his 32nd save.

In other AL games, Toronto edged New York 3-2, Cleveland defeated Milwaukee 8-3, Minnesota routed Kansas City 10-4, Chicago outscored Oakland 8-2, Seattle beat Texas 7-3 and Detroit edged California 3-2.

In the National League, it was: San Francisco 5, Cincinnati 3; Los Angeles 6, Atlanta 2; Montreal 4, New York 3; Chicago 8, Pittsburgh 5; Philadelphia 6, St. Louis 3, and San Diego 8, Houston 1.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Blue Jays 3, Yankees 2

At Toronto, pinch-hitter Rance Mulliniks singled home Kelly Gruber from third base with two outs in the ninth. Bud Black, 12-10, acquired Monday in a trade with Cleveland, allowed one run and one hit over two innings in his first relief appearance. Lee Guetterman fell to 10-7.

Indians 8, Brewers 3

At Cleveland, Charles Nagy scattered nine hits over 7 1-3 innings to earn his first major-league victory and Jerry Browne and Sandy Alomar added two RBI each. Nagy, 1-4, earned the victory in his sixth big- league start. Doug Jones earned his 37th save. Reliever Don August fell to 0-3.

Twins 10, Royals 4

At Minneapolis, Kent Hrbek collected three RBI, including one during a six-run fifth inning, to lead Minnesota. The Twins collared losing pitcher Tom Gordon, 11-11, and reliever Andy McGaffigan for eight hits in the inning, a season high for the club. Scott Erickson improved to 6- 4.

White Sox 8, Athletics 2

At Oakland, Calif., Ivan Calderon smacked a two-run homer and rookie Alex Fernandez won his fourth game of the year, leading Chicago to their sixth consecutive victory. Sammy Sosa and Scott Fletcher added solo homers as Chicago collected 13 hits, eight off A's starter Mike Moore, 12-13. Fernandez, 4-3, allowed eight hits over seven innings.

Mariners 7, Rangers 3

At Seattle, Alvin Davis hit his eighth career grand slam to cap a seven-run seventh inning and rookie Rich Delucia, 1-0, allowed seven hits over eight innings. Mike Jeffcoat, 4-6, the second of four Texas pitchers in the seventh, took the loss.

Tigers 3, Angels 2

At Anaheim, Calif., Jack Morris and Mike Henneman combined on a three-hitter and rookie Milt Cuyler drove in two runs. Morris, 12-18, yielded two runs and three hits over seven innings. Henneman finished for his 21st save. Chuck Finley, 18-7, allowed only one earned run in pitching his seventh complete game.

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MACON, GA (SEPT. 19) UPI - Mail bomb suspect Walter Leroy Moody Jr. was ordered to undergo psychiatric tests to determine if he is competent to stand trial in November on federal charges of perjury, bribery and obstruction of justice.

U.S. District Judge Wilbur D. Owens directed Tuesday that Moody be examined within 30 days, and he set a trial date of Nov. 26.

Prosecutors said that Moody's mental health history from 1967 to 1988 indicates ''there may be reasonable cause to believe'' that Moody currently suffers from a mental disease.

Moody, 56, and his wife, Susan, are charged in a 13-count federal indictment with perjury, bribery and obstruction of justice. The charges stem from Moody's unsuccessful attempt to overturn a 1972 bomb possession conviction.

Authorities said Moody, who lives in the Atlanta suburb of Rex, is the chief suspect in the mail bombings last December that killed federal Judge Robert Vance in Birmingham, Ala., and civil rights lawyer Robert Robinson in Savannah. No charges have been filed in the bombing investigation.

Officials said mental illness could make it impossible for Moody to understand the obstruction charges against him or to assist in his defense, making him legally incompetent to stand trial.

Testing Moody's mental status also will resolve whether he can use mental incomptency as a defense at his trial, as the government's motion indicated he might try to do.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Samuel A. Wilson Jr., in his motion, said Moody received ''voluntary psychiatric treatment'' as late as May 1988 from Dr. Dave M. Davis, an Atlanta forensic psychiatrist.

Davis declined comment on the motion, citing patient confidentiality.

Moody is being held in the Atlanta Federal Penitentiary.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

BATTING

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
RHenderson, Oak	449	109	146	.325
Brett, KC	514	78	167	.325
Palmeiro, Tex	546	68	176	.322
Boggs, Bos	577	84	180	.312
Trammell, Det	529	68	165	.312
Parker, Mil	562	68	173	.308
CJames, Cle	484	56	147	.304
Harper, Min	451	59	136	.302
McGriff, Tor	501	85	151	.301
EMartinez, Sea	465	68	140	.301

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Dykstra, Phi	550	98	182	.331
Murray, LA	505	86	164	.325
Magadan, NY	404	69	131	.324
Grace, Chi	537	66	168	.313
Dawson, Chi	482	62	150	.311
Doran, Cin	387	57	120	.310
LSmith, Atl	417	63	129	.309
Gwynn, SD	573	79	177	.309
Bonds, Pit	481	96	147	.306

HOME RUNS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 47; McGwire and Canseco, Oak 37; McGriff, Tor 34; Gruber, Tor 28.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi 36; Mitchell, SF and Strawberry, NY 35; Bonilla, Pit 31; Williams, SF 30.

RUNS BATTED IN

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 120; Gruber, Tor 107; McGwire, Oak 103; Canseco Oak 95; Parker, Mil 91.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Williams, SF 111; Carter, SD 110; Bonilla, Pit 109; Bonds, Pit 107; Strawberry, NY 104.

DOUBLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Brett, KC and Jo.Reed and Boggs, Bos 43; Calderon, Chi 42; Harper, Min 40.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Jefferies, NY 39; Sabo, Cin, Roberts, SD and Bonilla, Pit 36; Wallach, Mtl and Dykstra, Phi 35.

TRIPLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fernandez, Tor 17; Sosa, Chi 10; Liriano, Min 9; Burks, Bos and Johnson, Chi 8.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Duncan, Cin 11; Gwynn, SD 10; Coleman, StL 9; Dunston, Chi and L.Smith, Atl 8.

STOLEN BASES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 61; Kelly, NY 38; Sax, NY 36; Pettis, Tex 33; Johnson, Chi 32.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 57; Bonds, Pit 48; Nixon, Mtl 45; Raines, Mtl 44.

RUNS SCORED

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 109; Fielder, Det and Yount, Mil 94; Franco Tex and Reynolds, Sea 90.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi 107; Bonilla, Pit 105; Dykstra, Phi 98; Gant, Atl and Roberts, SD 97.

HITS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Boggs, Bos 180; Palmeiro, Tex 176; Parker, Mil 173; Griffey Jr., Sea 170; Kelly, NY 169.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Dykstra, Phi 182; Gwynn, SD 177; Sandberg, Chi 172; Larkin, Cin and Wallach, Mtl 169.

VICTORIES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Welch, Oak 24; Clemens, Bos and Stewart, Oak 20; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 18.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Viola, NY and Drabek, Pit 19; Martinez, LA 18; Gooden, NY 17; Maddux, Chi 14.

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 155 innings pitched)

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 1.98; Finley, Cal 2.39; Stewart, Oak 2.70; McCaskill, Cal and Stieb, Tor 2.87.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Darwin, Hou 2.22; Whitson, SD 2.39; Viola, NY 2.55; Drabek, Pit 2.75; Boyd, Mtl and Rijo, Cin 2.84.

STRIKEOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Ryan, Tex 208; Clemens, Bos 204; Witt, Tex 201; Hanson, Sea 191; Langston, Cal 182.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 207; Cone, NY 206; Gooden, NY 199; Fernandez, NY 168; Viola, NY 164.

SAVES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Thigpen, Chi 51; Eckersley, Oak 43; Jones, Cle 37; Righetti, NY and Olson, Bal 32.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Franco, NY 33; Myers, Cin 29; L.Smith, StL 26; Smith, Hou and Lefferts, SD 23.

COMPLETE GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Morris, Det and Stewart, Oak 9; Finley, Cal and Clemens, Bos 7; Brown, Tex, Gordon, KC, Leary, NY, Young, Sea and Witt, Tex 6.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 10; Maddux, Chi and Hurst, SD 8; De.Martinez, Mtl, Viola, NY and Drabek, Pit 7.

SHUTOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 4; Perez, Chi, Appier, KC and Stewart, Oak 3; 10 players tied with 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Morgan, LA and Hurst, SD 4; Martinez, LA, Boyd and Gardner, Mtl, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3.

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#90262u0511 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon (SEPT. 19) UPI - A small bomb exploded early Wednesday on the campus of the American University of Beirut in Moslem west Beirut, causing slight damage and no injuries, a university official said.

The official, who requested anonymity, said the homemade bomb went off near the residence of university Deputy President Ibrahim Salti ''who was out of campus when the explosion occurred.''

He said the explosion caused only slight material damage. He added school security guards found another small bomb, but refused to elaborate.

The AUB's Board of Trustees has recently decided to close down the university's Off Campus Program in Christian east Beirut, a move widely criticized by Christian leaders.

The program was introduced in the early days of the civil war that erupted in 1975 and divided the capital on sectarian lines.

AUB, on a sloping hillside campus overlooking the Mediterranean Sea, has become a frequent target of terrorism in recent years. Several Western staff members have been abducted by extremist groups and the university's president, Malcolm Kerr, was assassinated by a gunman in his College Hall office Jan. 18, 1984.

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#90262u0528 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - A former Salvadoran death squad member who sought asylum in the United States and implicated his government in peasant murders has been convicted of illegally entering the country, a published report said Wednesday.

Cesar Vielman Joya-Martinez was convicted in U.S. District Court in Alexandria Va., of re-entering the United States illegally after he was deported in 1983 The Washington Post reported.

''He fled because he was informed he was going to be killed next and made a scapegoat'' for murders committed by the death squads, the Post quoted his lawyer, Daniel S. Alcorn, as saying after the verdict.

He faces a maximum two-year prison term at his sentencing, set for Nov. 30.

Joya-Martinez, 27, claims he took part in the murder of peasants as a member of the Salvadoran Army's elite First Brigade in his government's decade-old civil war against the leftist rebel Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN.

He has further claimed U.S. military officers were involved in his army's interrogation of prisoners who later died under circumstances of torture. While he has never accused any U.S. military officers of involvement in the actual torture of prisoners, he has claimed they were aware of the First Brigade's methods of interrogation and of countless interrogations of individual prisoners.

In the last several years of his illegal residence in the United States, Joya-Martinez has sought out members of Congress to alert them to his claims in hopes of curtailing U.S. financial and military aid to El Salvador.

Since the early 1980s, El Salvador has received more than $4 billion in economic and military aid - 25 percent of it military - from the United States and currently receives about $1.5 million a day to prop up its government and armed forces.

More than 72,000 people have been killed in El Salvador's decade-old civil war - most of them civilians, many thousands at the hands of right-wing ''death squads.

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#90262u0531 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (SEPT. 19) UPI - The first meeting of a ''Supreme National Council'' meant to bring peace to Cambodia collapsed Wednesday in a squabble over the chairmanship of the council, officials said.

''Our regret is that for three days we have not been able to reach any agreement,'' said Hun Sen, prime minister of the Vietnamese-backed government of Cambodia.

The adjournment of the meeting among the four battling Cambodian factions damaged the chances of implementing a U.N. peace plan designed to end the nation's 11-year conflict, and opened the way for an escalation of the fighting inside Cambodia.

Hun Sen told reporters the meeting bogged down on the question of the chairmanship of the council, which is supposed to represent Cambodia under the peace plan worked out by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council.

Although both sides agreed that Prince Norodom Sihanouk, the top resistance leader and former monarch, would be chairman, they differed on whether he would join as 12th or 13th member.

Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Samphan said the resistance wanted Sihanouk to join as the 13th member of the council in accordance with a tentative agreement outlined in Jakarta earlier this month.

Hun Sen, however, said the Jakarta agreement stipulated that there had to be consensus on the additional member. He said the government could not agree to Sihanouk as chairman unless representation on the council remained evenly divided.

The majority would mean little for the operation of the council since all decisions have to be unanimous, but it appeared to be of symbolic importance to the factions.

Khieu Samphan, who heads the most powerful of the three resistance groups, said Hun Sen's refusal to accept Sihanouk was an ''attempt to kill'' the U.N. peace plan and prolong the fighting inside Cambodia.

A Khmer Rouge official, who asked not to be identified, said the collapse of the talks would signal intensified guerrilla attacks against the government.

Khmer Rouge radio, in a broadcast Wednesday morning, said the government offensive began Sept. 6 using Vietnamese soldiers in an attempt to recapture the district town of Pailin. The nearly deserted town has been under Khmer Rouge control since last October.

The radio said the offensive was timed to put pressure on the resistance during the current talks and during the U.N. General Assembly session that began in New York Tuesday.

''The goal of this plan is to gain the military advantage on the battlefield in order to thwart and defeat the resolutions of the U.N. Security Council's five permanent members,'' the radio said.

Hun Sen said the adjournment of the meeting did not mean the end of the council.

''After consultation, if there is some agreement, I think we should reconvene the meeting here,'' he said.

Khieu Samphan proposed that the next meeting of the council be held inside Cambodia, suggesting the ancient temples at Angkor Wat or Khmer Rouge-controlled areas near the Thai border.

But he said ''the next urgent step'' should be to convene a 19-nation conference on Cambodia to work out the details of implementing and guaranteeing the U.N. peace plan.

Hun Sen said that even though there was no agreement on the chairman of the council, it should go on to consider other questions including the selection of Cambodia's delegation to the U.N. General Assembly.

He denied reports from resistance sources that he had demanded to be leader of the council's delegation to the United Nations.

He said he had proposed three formulas for the delegation - all based on equal representation and none including his name.

Khieu Samphan said the resistance coalition would continue to hold Cambodia's U.N. seat, but in deference to the U.N. peace plan, would not send a delegation to the U.N. General Assembly until a delegation was named to represent the Supreme National Council.

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#90262u0541 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

KHARTOUM, Sudan (SEPT. 19) UPI - Political steering committees in Sudan joined Iraq and Iran's religious leadership in calling for a ''Holy War'' against non-Islamic troops stationed in the Persian Gulf region, the official Sudan News Agency reported Wednesday.

''We call for the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of all foreign troops from the region,'' representatives of the east African nation's Popular Committees said in a statement issued jointly with a visiting Iraqi delegation late Tuesday.

The joint statement - the strongest to date from Sudan - called for ''Holy War and solidarity among Arabs and Moslems wherever they are to protect the Arab and Islamic holy places.''

Sudan's military government has increasingly supported Iraq's position since President Saddam Hussein sent his troops into Kuwait Aug. 2.

In recent weeks it has repeatedly condemned the build-up of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, taking the fundamentalist Islamic view that the presence of Westerners violates the sanctity of Moslem shrines at Mecca and Medina.

Sudan's Popular Committees are organs of regional political control set up in 1989 by Gen. Omar al Bashir shortly after he seized power in a bloodless coup.

The Iraqi delegation, led by Saif-ul Din Mohamed, member of the ruling Iraq National Council, expressed its gratitude to Sudan for its show of solidarity

with Iraq, SUNA reported.

The joint statement condemned the U.N.-approved economic blockade of Iraq, saying: ''The hunger policy will never dismay the Arab nation, and if a war breaks out we shall achieve martyrdom.''

Iran's religious leadership last week similarly called for Holy War against the west in the gulf, despite Tehran's political leadership's strong condemnation of the annexation of Kuwait.

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#90262u0542 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 19) UPI - U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar opened the U-N General Assembly annual session yesterday, warning the Persian Gulf crisis could end in war. de Cuellar says Iraq's invasion of Kuwait has UNleashed a human tragedy of ''immense proportions and the dimensions of which are still incalculable.'' He says world reaction to the occupation of Kuwait shows NO future power will have ''limitless freedom of maneuver.''

Forecasters say the worst typhoon to hit Japan in 31 years was on a potentially dangerous course toward the Tokyo-Osaka population corridor where two-thirds of Japan's 123-Million people live. Typhoon Flo already has claimed at least 10 lives. Its 100-mile an hour winds and torrential rains hit Japan's southernmost islands yesterday. Nine people are missing and 25 others were hurt when the storm triggered landslides.

The chances for peace in Cambodia suffered a setback today after the first meeting of a ''Supreme National Council'' ended after three days with NO agreement. Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen told reporters in Bangkok, Thailand, the meeting bogged down on the question of the chairmanship of the council. The group is supposed to represent Cambodia under a U-N peace plan designed to end the nation's 11-year conflict.

Officials at American University of Beirut in Moslem west Beirut say a homemade bomb exploded near the home of the school's deputy president, causing slight damage. NO one was hurt. Security guards found another bomb, but officials refused to elaborate. The university recently decided to close the school's Off Campus Program in Christian east Beirut... a move widely criticized by Lebanese Christian leaders.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - The Washington Post reports an ex-Salvadoran death squad member who sought asylum in the United States and implicated his government in peasant murders has been convicted of illegally entering the country. The paper says Cesar Vielman Joya-Martinez was convicted in federal court at

Alexandria, Virginia, of re-entering the country after being deported in 1983. He faces a maximum two years in jail when he is sentenced November 30th.

United Auto Workers chief Owen Bieber hails as a ''win-win situation'' the new tentative pact with General Motors. The union's 400- member G-M Council met in Detroit yesterday and gave overwhelming approval to the contract, setting the stage for a ratification vote by 310-thousandworkers. Union officials say the pact protects workers' jobs and pay against sales-related layoffs. They say G-M also came out ahead, winning more flexibility in deploying its workers.

A study shows public school teachers entered classrooms this fall with a degree of idealism about children's ability to learn, but pessimism about teaching problem kids. The poll for Metropolitan Life Insurance involved about one-thousand college graduates. Some 90 percent of the beginning teachers viewed teaching as a long-term career. But 45 percent agreed that ''even the best teachers find it difficult to really teach more than two-thirds of their students.''

New York City police have charged a 15-year-old boy in the stabbing death of a Bronx youth who refused to give him one dollar. Police say 18-year-old Hugh Harley was fatally stabbed last week as he returned home from a night of playing video games. Police say Edgardo Lebron, who arrived in the United States the day before from Puerto Rico, is charged in the slaying. A newspaper says Lebron knew only four words of English- ''Give me a dollar.''

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - A U-N economics report warns a recession may come if higher oil prices last. Developing nations may face disaster if oil stays above 30 dollars. The report says oil-fueled inflation would dim hopes for lowering the U-S deficit.

A former ambassador to Saudi Arabia, John West, sees NO diplomatic solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. West says Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has been backed into a corner and the only way he can save face is to go to war.

The U-N General Assembly opened its annual session yesterday and admitted the 160th member- Liechtenstein. Both President Bush and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz are to address the assembly on October 1st.

Authorities believe most of the fires on an oil tanker at Bay City, Michigan, are out. The tanker exploded Sunday while gasoline was being UNloaded. One person was believed killed.

The space agency is expected to choose a team of engineers to find what is causing hydrogen leaks that have grounded the shuttle Columbia. The latest leak halted a scientific star-gazing mission until at least late next month.

A survey of teachers just beginning their profession this fall shows all but eight percent plan to stay in the field. 99 percent believe all children can learn and teachers can make a difference in students' lives.

The isolated Rockaways section of the New York borough of Queens had NO water yesterday after a main running under a bridge burst. About 100- thousand people were affected.

Storms and heat hit southern Florida. Palm Beach had three inches of rain while Key West hit a record 92 degrees. The Northeast has warmed up. New York City, which had a 44 yesterday, expects temperatures in the 70s.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - Landslides and floods triggered by Typhoon Flo have killed 10 people in Japan's southern islands. 100-mile-an-hour winds whipped the region before the storm moved off toward the populous Tokyo-Osaka area.

The efforts to form a council of various factions to bring peace to Cambodia collapsed today. The four groups could NOT decide on the chairmanship. A Cambodian resistance leader predicts anti-government attacks will increase.

The standoff between Canadian army troops and Mohawk Indians turned into a clash yesterday at a reserve near Montreal. The Indians punched soldiers who fired shots and tear gas. People on both sides were injured.

Six feminist leaders went to a Senate hearing yesterday to oppose Supreme Court nominee David Souter and ended up denouncing Republican senators. They angrily accused the Republicans of sexism.

The Los Angeles City Council has tentatively approved a law to outlaw all animal sacrifices. The law is aimed at satanic killings that followers of a Caribbean religion often force children to carry out.

77-year-old Mary Pigeon, who would NOT say where her daughter and two granddaughters are hiding, has been freed. A Newport, Rhode Island, judge said jail will NOT make her talk. The children's father has legal custody.

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#90262u0665 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, Belgium (SEPT. 19) UPI - The European Community's top agriculture official gave an unenthusiastic response to a revised U.S. proposal on farm subsidies, U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills said Wednesday.

''I didn't discern a lot of enthusiasm, but I think he listened to what I said

'' Hills said of a Tuesday night meeting with EC Agriculture Commissioner Ray MacSharry.

The EC executive Commission was expected to approve Wednesday a new proposal by MacSharry, which calls for far lower cuts in farm subsidies than those sought by the United States.

Less than three months remain in the current round of 105-nation trade-liberalization talks in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. The 12-nation EC and the United States remain far apart on the EC's large levels of export subsidies for farmers.

The United States this week announced it would make a new farm subsidy proposal by Oct. 1 at the GATT talks.

The plan, said Hills, would call for cuts of up to 70 percent in domestic supports and market barriers such as tariffs, and cuts somewhat above 70 percent in export subsidies over 10 years.

''He (MacSharry) did not like the specific commitments in the three areas. He said there was not enthusiasm among European farmers for those sorts of reforms at this particular time,'' Hills told a news conference before addressing the European Parliament.

The new EC proposal would reduce farm subsidies by 30 percent over a 10-year period, beginning with 1986 as the base year.

Hills said that would amount to only a 10 percent reduction from current levels, because EC farm supports in 1986 were very high.

The current round of GATT talks are known as the Uruguay Round after the country in which they began four years ago. The round is slated to conclude in Brussels during the first week in December.

''The economic costs of a failed round will be staggering,'' Hills said in her speech to the European Parliament. ''Across the board, the cost of competition will increase. Together, we will lose $300 billion in increased output we expect to gain from more liberal access to foreign markets.''

GATT currently covers only merchandise, and not services or agriculture.

Developing nations which produce farm products cheaply seek an open world market in agriculture, while the West seeks free-trade rules on services and intellectual property, such as copyright.

Without meaningful reduction of farm supports, Hills says, some 50 to 60 countries will ''walk'' from the table, ''and the Uruguay Round will fail for lack of critical participation.''

The EC says its millions of small farmers need continued agricultural supports to protect Europe's heritage and rural way of life.

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#90262u0690 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 19) UPI - High interest rates pushed stock prices lower Wednesday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange for its fifth consecutive session, but the rate of the market's slide eased.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selective issue, which plunged 480.78 points Tuesday, fell another 158.65 points to 23,726.17 - its lowest close of the year.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major listed shares lost 16.61 points to 1,799.72, also its low for the year. TOPIX lost 43.86 points Tuesday.

Volume dropped slightly as an estimated 360 million shares changed hands, compared with 402 million shares Tuesday.

Declines outnumbered advances 565 to 358, while 170 issues remained unchanged.

The market opened with a brief rally, fueled by positive indicators in the futures market, analysts said.

But continuing weakness in the Japanese bond market snuffed out all buying enthusiasm for stocks.

The yield on the bellwether Japanese government bond ended at 8.55 percent, after touching a new high of 8.6 percent during the day, analysts said.

The bonds were hurt by predictions of a rise in the long-term interest rate and by short-term rates of as much as 8.4 percent.

''We can not justify even even these levels (of stock prices) as long as rate interest rates stay so high,'' said Brad Bauer, a broker with Barclay's de Zoete Wedd.

Under such circumstances, there was a complete lack of conviction in the stock market, with no one willing to take a sustained buying position, Bauer said.

Other brokers said bargain-hunting was hampered by semiannual book closing by dealers.

Selling cut across most sectors, with interest-rate-sensitive stocks falling especially hard.

Bank and securities house issues were especially hard-hit.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks closed lower for the fifth consecutive session in extremely light trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as wary investors await signals from the Middle East.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which fell 23.21 points Tuesday, lost 15.71 points to 2,980.95.

Amonmg the narrower indexes, utilities lost 8.88 points, financials fell 12.92 industrials shed 14.53, and properties dropped 34.98 points.

Volume remained light as an estimated 385 million shares changed hands, compared with 558 million shares Tuesday.

''There was little action today because people are sitting around waiting for things to change in the Gulf,'' said Herman Lam of First Pacific Securities. ''Unless something changes, you can expect the market to go sideways.''

In Singapore, stock prices continued to drift lower in quiet, featureless trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange as investors remained amid worries over climbing oil prices and the Middle East crisis.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 17.72 points Tuesday, slipped 6.53 points to 1,172.48. The broader-based All Singapore Index, which eased 3.57 points Tuesday, fell 1.35 points to 333.43.

Volume continued at its recent slow pace as an estimated 31.2 million shares changed hands, compared with 46.6 million shares Tuesday.

Analysts said lack of confidence in the market combined with Tokyo's poor performance and worries over oil prices, sent most investors to the sidelines.

On the trading floor, Jurong Shipyard paced the advancing issues followed by Paramount and Central Properties.

Asia Pacific Brewery led the declining issues followed by Development Bank of Singapore foreign shares and Shangri-la Hotel.

In Bangkok, stock prices drifted lower for the third consecutive day in light trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) Index slipped 1.30 points to 686.89.

Volume remained light as an estimated 1.5 billion shares changed hands, almost unchanged from Tuesday's volume of 1.6 billion shares.

Declines edged out advances 78 to 67. The best-performing shares were in banking and finance sectors.

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#90262u0718 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 19) UPI - President Bush heads to a Republican fund-raising breakfast in San Francisco this morning hoping to spread his popularity to G-O-P candidates in the state. Bush has focused heavily on California Senator Pete Wilson's bid for governor against Democratic candidate Diane Feinstin, a former San Francisco mayor.

Sudan's official news agency says political steering committees in the African nation join with Iraq's religious leaders in the call for a ''holy war'' against foreign troops in the Middle East. Sudan's government has condemned the U-S build-up of troops in Saudi Arabia, charging the Western presence violates the sanctity of Moslem shrines at Mecca. .

The Pentagon reports a sharp increase in the number of Iraqi troops in Kuwait and southern Iraq during the past two weeks. Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams says there are aboaut 360-thousand Iraqi troops in the area compared with 265-thousand two weeks ago.

Weather experts have dubbed Typhon Flo the worst storm to hit Japan in 31 years. The storm left at least 10 people dead in Japan's southern islands yesterday. Forecasters say Flo was moving northeast along the Pacific toward Tokyo with maximum winds of 100 miles an hour.

Temperatures returned to normal in most of Northeast and mid-Atlantic region after a cold snap. In New York City, where a record low 44 degrees was registered in the pre-dawn hours yesterday... highs near 70 were expected today with rain later. Rain swept into the western Great Plains as storms pounded south Florida.

Voter discontent fueled yesterday's Massachusetts primary where Republican William Weld and Democrat John Silber won the right to face each other in a fight for the governor's mansion in November. They will vie to succeed Governor Michael Dukakis, whose popularity fell after his presidential bid was crushed by George Bush in 1988 and the state's economy went south.

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#90262u0742 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - Housing starts fell 1.7 percent in August for the seventh straight monthly decline and the lowest level since the recession of 1982, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

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decline of 3.5 percent in July and a revised decrease of 1.4 percent in June, according to the department's Census Bureau.

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In the apartment sector, construction of dwellings with two, three and four units recovered 6.7 percent in August after diving a revised 28.6 percent in July, the Commerce Department said.

Construction of apartment buildings with five or more units, meanwhile, increased 2.4 percent in August after sliding a revised 3.5 percent during July, the department said.

By region, housing starts gained 8.2 percent in the Northeast in August after a 2.7 percent drop in July, increased 4.9 percent in the Midwest after slumping 7.5 percent, collapsed 10.7 percent in the South after a 7.5 percent drop, and advanced 4 percent in the West after a 6.7 percent gain.

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#90262u0752 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 19) UPI - Coast Guard ships are searching off Massachusetts for two crewmembers missing from a fishing vessel that rolled over and sank while being escorted to harbor 30 miles east of Nantucket Island. A Coast Guard spokesman says nine men on deck were tossed into the water.

Published reports say New York City officials want to go back to putting homeless people in run-down welfare hotels. The report quotes papers filed in Manhattan court showing about 22-hundred families seeking homes came to welfare offices in July and August, up 27 percent from the same time last year. The Legal Aid Society last March went to court to stop homeless people from being placed in welfare hotels.

A federal judge in Macon, Georgia, has ordered psychiatric tests for mail bomb suspect Walter Moody Junior to determine if he can stand trial on charges of perjury, bribery and obstruction of justice. Moody is a prime suspect in mail bombings last December that killed a federal judge in Birmingham, Alabama, and

a Savannah, Georgia, lawyer. NO charges have been filed in the bombings.

U-S Trade Representative Carla Hills says the European Community's top farm official was less than enthusiastic about a revised U-S proposal on farm subsidies. Hills met yesterday with E-C Agriculture chief Ray MacSharry. An E-C panel in Belgium is expected to approve today a new plan by MacSharry that includes far lower cuts in farm subsidies than the United States wants.

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#90262u0790 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 19) UPI - The Philippines and the United States began Wednesday discussions on a broad range of subjects from health to trade that negotiators hoped would lead to a new agreement that will take effect at the expiration of U.S. basing rights next year.

After the opening ceremonies on Tuesday in which chief U.S. negotiator Richard Armitage officially announced U.S. preparedness to reduce its military presence in the country, the two panels spent the first day of formal talks Wednesday addressing largely Philippine concerns.

Briefing reporters after the daylong meeting, Philippine spokesman Rafael Alunan said Philippine experts were presented to discuss issues covering veterans affairs, science and technology, trade, health and social problems.

Defense matters were scheduled to be taken up Thursday, Alunan said.

U.S. spokesman Stanley Schrager said during Wednesday's meeting, Armitage recapped the highlights of his opening remarks Tuesday.

Schrager said this included ''respect for the sovereignty of the Philippines, our willingness to restructure our defense relationship, characterized by a phase down and transition period, the length of which still has to be determined.''

''We want this transition and reduction to be implemented with minimal discomfort and with maximum benefits for both countries,'' Schrager said.

Asked to elaborate on what he meant by phase down, he said ''this will become more clear in the next several days.'' He repeated Armitage's statement Tuesday that ''the days of the full-blown security presence are over.''

The Philippines hosts six U.S. facilities, including the huge Clark Air Base and Subic Bay Naval Station. Manned by 14,500 troops, the bases are the oldest and largest outside continental United States.

The 1947 treaty covering the bases is due to expire in September 1991.

President Corazon Aquino on Monday said she expected an ''orderly withdrawal'' of U.S forces at the end of the bases pact, but did not spell out how long this period will take.

U.S. officials have indicated the withdrawal could take from 10 to 20 years and Armitage hinted as much Tuesday when he said voters of the 21st century should decide on the future of the facilities.

During exploratory talks in May, Armitage said the United States was willing to withdraw from the Philippines if Filipinos decided its presence was no longer needed.

The current talks have elicited little excitement in Manila. Demonstrations held so far were relatively small compared with those in previous years.

Wednesday, a moderate group of 300 marched to the U.S. embassy and the seafront Central Bank where the talks were being and held an anti- bases rally under intermittent rains.

The National Democratic Front, in a statement Wednesday, reiterated its previous stand the communist New Peoples Army would call a unilateral cease-fire if Aquino declared the bases will go at the expiration of the bases pact.

The front is the political arm of the 19,000-member NPA, which has been battling the Manila government for 21 years.

Aquino has ignored previous offers on the subject by the front.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 19) UPI - Andrei Kovalenko scored one minute into overtime Tuesday night to give the Central Army sports club a 3-2 victory over the Montreal Canadiens,leaving the NHL team with a 2-2 split in its four-game exhibition tour of the Soviet Union.

Mark Pederson started the scoring for the Canadians with a goal at five minutes, but the Soviet club drew even two minutes later with a goal by Pavel Bure.

Sylvain Lefebvre put the Canadiens ahead again six minutes into the second period before and Sergei Zubov scored for the Central Army seven minutes later.

A crowd of 11,000 watched the match.

The Canadiens ended their Soviet tour with two wins and two losses. The Minnesota North Stars, also touring the Soviet Union, have lost twice and won

once.

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#90262u0808 09/19/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 19) UPI - Iraq may be preparing to confiscate property of foreign governments that is on its territory. Iraq's news agency says the Baghdad government has passed a law saying Iraq is NO longer responsible for property in Iraq and occupied Kuwait belonging to governments and companies that have frozen Iraqi assets in their countries. A Western diplomat says- ''It could mean everything or NOTHING.'' While confiscation is a possibility, he said the situation is UNclear.

Housing starts fell last month for the seventh month in a row. The Commerce Department reports the August level of new homes beginning construction was one-point-seven percent lower than July. Housing starts were at their lowest level since the recession of 1982. And new building permits, which forecast construction activity, fell even more- four- point-three percent.

President Bush is campaigning in California for Pete Wilson... a Republican Senator Bush hopes will become governor. Bush spent the night in Los Angeles. He returns to Washington today after a G-O-P breakfast fund-raiser in San Francisco. He said he intends to do some heavy campaigning for Republicans before November and will NOT let the Persian Gulf crisis stop him.

Japan is reeling from its worst storm since 1959. Typhoon Flo slammed into the southern Japanese islands yesterday and set off landslides and floods that killed 10 people. Thousands are homeless. The typhoon has been moving slowly northeast toward Tokyo. U-S military personnel in the Tokyo-Osaka area are stockpiling food and bottled water.

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#90262u0830 09/19/1990 ~United Press International
BEIJING (SEPT. 19) UPI - Courts in a southern Chinese city executed 65 criminals in what is believed to be the largest single-day execution tally since a nationwide anti-crime crackdown began six months ago, an official newspaper said Wednesday.

The executions were carried out Tuesday morning just one week after the human rights group Amnesty International protested the estimated 500 death sentences carried out this year in China.

Coincidentally, Tuesday's editions of the Communist Party's flagship People's Daily carried a strident editorial attack on those who apply ''bourgeois'' Western standards to assess human rights in China.

In socialist countries, the editorial said, only a Marxist point of view is

acceptable for reviewing human rights. The editorial appeared to be a rebuttal to Amnesty International's criticisms.

The executions were carried out immediately after the defendants were sentenced in municipal courts in Guangzhou, the city's Yangcheng Evening News reported.

The 65 reported executions were believed to be the largest number carried out in a single day in China since the continuing anti-crime campaign was launched last spring.

Fifteen of the defendants were executed for murder, including one convicted of killing a police officer, the report said. Others were convicted of burglarly, robbery, gun trafficking and the loosely defined crime of ''hooliganism.''

Defendants typically are executed by a single bullet fired into the base of the neck.

The newspaper said 5,000 people attended a post-execution rally and said the nationwide crackdown had received a warm welcome from Guangzhou residents.

Vice Mayor Shi Anhai told the city-organized rally that the campaign had been effective but that society is still far from safe.

''We must achieve a total victory in this campaign against crime,'' Shi said. ''The crackdown has had a stabilizing effect, but the public security situation is still severe.

''You cannot achieve victory with just one campaign,'' Shi added. ''You must conduct a long-term operation.''

The Amnesty International report, which Beijing bitterly denounced last week, said more than 1,100 Chinese had been executed in the past year and expressed concern about what it called a ''dramatic increase'' in executions in China.

The London organization said it was particularly concerned ''because China's trial system falls far below international standards.''

China's hard-line government has lauded the ongoing campaign as crucial for achieving ''social stability'' in advance of this month's Beijing Asian Games and in the wake of last year's pro-democracy movement, which was brutally suppressed on June 4.

The nationwide democracy movement was the broadest challenge to the Communist Party's absolute authority in the 41-year history of the People's Republic.

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LIBREVILLE, GABON (SEPT. 19) UPI - Gabonese political opposition parties, citing widespread fraud in last week's parliamentary elections, Wednesday demanded the government resign and new polls under international supervision.

The newly legalized opposition parties said the partial voting results, which gave the ruling Gabonese Democratic Party 37 of the 59 legislative seats decided in the first round of balloting Sunday, were unacceptable because of a combination of administrative incompetence and fraud and should be held again in the presence of foreign observers.

Speaking for six opposition groups, Agondjo-Okawe, leader of the Gabonese Progress Party, proposed at a news conference that new elections be held between December and March of 1991.

He also called for the creation of an interim government representing the principal tendencies of the major opposition parties.

For his part, Paul Mba Abessole, leader of the National Reform Party which won 12 seats in the new 120-member National Assembly, second only to the Democratic Party, said the new balloting should be held under U.N. supervision.

The government of Prime Minister Oye Mba, which saw more than half of its 28 Cabinet members defeated in the first round, did not officially respond to the opposition demands.

In addition to the National Reform Party's 12 seats, the Gabonese Progress Party won five constituencies while the Association for Socialism in Gabon won four seats in the new Parliament. The original National Reform Party was credited with winning one seat.

Sunday's election, the first multi-party vote since Gabon achieved independence from France in 1960, saw 520 candidates representing 38 political parties running for office.

The election was widely seen by African specialists and Western diplomats as a crucial first step towards establishing new, multi-party governments in the former French colonies of West Africa, most of which have been under one-man rule since gaining independence.

But the Gabonese election was marred by poor organization, stuffed ballot boxes, and sporadic acts of violence.

In the most serious incident, a commando of some 20 persons attacked the polling station inside the city hall in the capital of Libreville, forcing authorities to close the facility.

The widespread cheating led the government to annul 32 first round elections,

17 of them in Libreville and its surrounding suburbs. All four races in the economic center of Port Gentil, where widespread rioting last spring that forced a temporary halt in oil extraction and production, were also annulled.

Under the Gabonese electoral system, which is based on the French model, a candidate must obtain at least 50 percent of the vote in order to be elected in the first round, with the second election contested by the two candidates who received the highest number of votes in each election district.

Among the elections annuled was the one in the city of Ntoum, 24 miles east of Libreville, where the prime minister lost his national assembly seat.

Political analysts in Libreville said that despite the ruling Gabonese Democratic Party's clear victory in the first round it was unlikely that President Omar Bongo's political group, until now the only legal party in the West African country, would be able to win an absolute majority in the new legislature.

The analysts pointed out that 17 of the 37 seats won by the ruling party came from Bongo's home province of Haut-Ogooue, where it faced little opposition.

The elections were called by Bongo in response to growing democracy movements across French speaking West Africa largely inspired by last years's democratic revolutions in Eastern Europe.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 18: Purchases of 448,632 shares and sales of 556,598 shares including 114,062 shares sold short.

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#90262u0899 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 19) UPI - The Commerce Department says housing starts plunged one-point-seven percent in August... the seventh consecutive monthly decline and the lowest level since the recession of 1982. And the news isn't good for the future, either. New building permits... an indicator of future activity... tumbled four-point-three percent in August, after a two- point-three percent drop in July.

Western diplomats are trying to figure out just what Iraq is up to now that it has passed a law saying it is NO longer responsible for the property of governments or companies that have frozen Iraqi assets overseas. The move could mean nothing. Or, it could set the stage for Iraq to confiscate foreign-held assets.

The first meeting of a new Supreme National Council set up to find peace for Cambodia has become the last meeting. Collapse of the talks in Bangkok, Thailand, could lead to more fighting- NOT peace- for Cambodia. The four groups couldn't even agree on who would be chairman of the council.

Critics of pesticide spraying to control the Mediterranean fruit fly in the Los Angeles area called yesterday for an independent health study of the chemical. An Agriculture Department panel is preparing the first federal environmental impact statement on the pesticide, which began being sprayed over southern California in July 1989. Witnesses also expressed fears of the long-term health effects of the pesticide... two- point-five-Million gallons of which have been sprayed on the area.

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#90262u0905 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 19) UPI - An official Chinese newspaper reports today that courts in a southern China city executed 65 criminals in what is believed to be the biggest one-day execution total since an anti-crime crackdown started six months ago. The report says the executions were carried out yesterday morning... just one week after Amnesty International protested an estimated 500 death sentences carried out this year in China. The report says those executed included murderers, robbers, gun-traffickers and some people convicted of ''hooliganism.''

Garbage may soon pile up in the state where it is produced. The Senate added an amendment to an appropriations bill that lets individual states decide if they will ban shipments of garbage into their state. Americans produce 180-Million tons of garbage each year. But the number of landfills has dropped from 14-thousand in 1978 to around six-thousand now. And most of those may be filled to capacity within the next 15 years.

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#90262u0942 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

JACKSON, MS (SEPT. 19) UPI - To defense attorneys the minister was a snitch, a man out to line his pockets with gold. But to the FBI, the Rev. John Burgess stood up for what is right.

Burgess tipped the FBI to widespread corruption in local government that resulted in charges against 57 supervisors in 26 counties and brought about sweeping changes in the way county government operates.

The Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI announced Tuesday it would present its 1990 Louis E. Peters Memorial Award to Burgess on Oct. 27 in Honolulu. The award includes a three-day stay in Hawaii.

Each year, the society gives the award to citizens ''who, at great personal sacrifice, gave unselfishly of themselves to serve their community and nation.'' The award is named after a California car dealer, who was honored in 1981 for his work in exposing organized crime figures who wanted to buy his business. He died of cancer later that year.

''The whole basis of the award is to emphasize the fact that each of us can make a difference,'' said Wayne R. Taylor, special agent in charge of the FBI in Mississippi. ''Each of the recipients identified a ''

Defense attorney Al Binder of Jackson, who represented several supervisors convicted on corruption charges, didn't agree with Taylor. He criticized Burgess for accepting $40,000 from the FBI over the two- year life of ''Operation Pretense.''

''He did it for money,'' Binder said. ''He tried to imply that his motive was pure and that he was doing this for America. But he did it to line his pockets with gold.''

Burgess, 64, pastor of the Pentecostal Church in Carthage, was surprised when notified of the honor.

''You're surprised when you do what you think is your duty and then you get awarded,'' he said. ''Of course, it's a pleasant surprise.''

Burgess said he didn't know what a kickback was in mid-1982, but he soon learned after he invested in a concrete pipe manufacturing company. He learned that the only way to stay in business was to pay a 10 percent kickback to win county contracts. While he refused to accept kickbacks, company salesmen did.

He soon left the business, and by early 1984 he was telling the FBI what he knew. At the FBI's request, Burgess opened Mid State Pipe Co. at Carthage, as a front.

From the business, undercover FBI agents posed as salesmen. Burgess even even wore a hidden microphone and made kickbacks to about 12 people, including supervisors, to gather evidence.

Undercover agents called on customers, made sales and paid kickbacks to supervisors in exchange for contracts. The agents worked a year gathering information then closed Mid State in July 1986.

Of the supervisors charged statewide, 46 pleaded guilty in federal court, while two others entered similar pleas in state court. Six supervisors were tried and convicted. One was acquitted, one was declared mentally incompetent to stand trial, and one died shortly after being indicted.

Taylor said previous efforts to end decades-long corruption failed because they were done piecemeal.

''What Burgess enabled us to do was have an impact.'' Taylor said. ''He didn't do it for the FBI; he did it for everybody.''

During a special legislative session in 1988, legislators passed a law requireing all counties to centralize purchasing and receiving and inventory control. The law consolidated the day-to-day operations of county government and placed it in the hands of a professional manager or administrator.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	pc	80	57	.01
Anchorage	w	57	46	.01
Asheville	cy	76	56	....
Atlanta	pc	86	68	....
Baltimore	r	71	59	....
Billings	sh	72	45	....
Birmingham	pc	90	69	....
Bismarck	sy	74	50	....
Boston	pc	65	55	....
Brownsville	ts	88	77	.21
Buffalo	r	63	51	....
Burlington Vt.	r	60	45	....
Charleston S.C.	sy	87	67	....
Charlotte	pc	79	61	....
Chicago	cy	68	49	.02
Cincinnati	sh	76	55	.70
Cleveland	sh	67	51	.09
Columbus Ohio	sh	72	53	.04
Dallas	pc	93	75	....
Denver	pc	75	45	1.06
Des Moines	sy	67	54	.51
Detroit	r	65	47	.72
Duluth	sy	65	42	.17
El Paso	pc	92	63	.04
Evansville	ts	79	59	.31
Fargo	sy	71	50	.70
Hartford	pc	63	50	....
Honolulu	pc	89	76	....
Houston	pc	93	75	....
Indianapolis	cy	74	53	.68
Jackson Miss.	pc	92	72	....

Jacksonville sy	90	67	....
Kansas City pc	75	58	.39
Las Vegas pc	89	65	....
Little Rock pc	90	73	....
Los Angeles pc	78	66	....
Louisville cy	75	59	.69
Memphis pc	88	73	....
Miami Beach pc	91	78	....
Milwaukee pc	66	50	.32
Minneapolis sy	70	49	.32
Nashville pc	85	70	....
New Orleans pc	93	74	....
New York r	63	56	....
Oklahoma City ts	87	70	.04
Omaha pc	72	54	.13
Orlando pc	92	74	....
Philadelphia r	70	57	....
Phoenix f	96	72	....
Pittsburgh sh	69	54	.32
Portland Me. pc	63	48	....
Portland Ore. sy	77	52	....
Providence pc	66	53	....
Richmond r	73	61	....
St. Louis pc	78	58	.38
Salt Lake City sh	69	48	.30
San Antonio ts	90	76	....
San Diego pc	74	65	....
San Francisco pc	72	57	....
San Juan sy	89	76	.10
Seattle sy	74	51	....
Spokane sy	74	44	....
Tampa pc	93	75	....
Washington r	72	63	....
Wichita cy	79	65	.10

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $386.20, silver base of $4.81 and platinum price of $458.40:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$402.10	403.50
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	206.30	207.00
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.90	106.30
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.80	43.90
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	402.10	403.50
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	206.30	207.00
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.40	106.80
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.80	43.90
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	408.60	410.10
China Panda .50 troy oz.	210.50	211.30
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.20	109.60
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.10	47.30
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.20	28.30
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	402.20	403.60
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	205.50	206.30
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.80	104.20
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.70	44.80
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	400.10	402.00
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	207.40	208.10
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.40	106.80
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.30	45.40
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	400.60	401.60
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	206.00	206.50
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.30	87.60
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.70	45.90
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.30	23.30
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.21	$6.20
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,470	$3,740
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,500	$1,500

Platinum		
Australian Koala	481.00	482.00
Isle of Man Noble	470.00	470.00
Canada Maple Leaf	481.00	482.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 19) UPI - A joint committee has been formed by the Chicago Board of Trade and the Chicago Mercantile Exchange to address common goals and competitive challenges, officials said Wednesday.

The governing boards of the exchanges Tuesday approved creation of the Futures Exchanges Common Goals Committee.

The committee will be co-chaired by Leo Melamed, who will retire at year's end as chairman of the CME Executive Committee, and William F. O'Connor, chairman of the CBOT.

Serving on the committee will be John Geldermann, chairman of the CME Board of Governors, William Brodsky, president and chief executive of the CME, and Thomas Donovan, president and chief executive of the CBOT.

Additional representatives will be appointed by the chairmen of the two exchanges.

The committee will be unlimited in scope and will be charged with exploring ways the exchanges can unify their functions. Specifically, the committee will investigate methods of achieving cost savings and increased efficiency in international marketing, systems development, operations and clearing.

''The goal is of a monumental nature,'' Melamed said. ''Its achievement will be to the benefit of all our members, the clearing members and the public.''

O'Connor said the high cost to both exchanges of meeting the competitive challenges makes it imperative to look for ways of cost- sharing and co-venturing.

The CBOT and CME traded 250 million futures and options contracts in 1989, which was more than one-half of the volume on all of the world's futures and options exchanges.

Earlier this year, the two exchanges agreed in principle to become partners in GLOBEX, the automated after-hours trading system being developed in conjunction with Reuters Holdings PLC.

The CBOT and CME also are sharing the costs of developing AUDIT, a hand-held computer terminal for recording trades, and have traditionally addressed regulatory matters from a common viewpoint.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - The chairman of the Federal Reserve Board said Wednesday the recent jump in oil prices resulting from the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait is threatening to push the U.S. economy into recession - but stopped short of saying an economic downturn has begun.

In prepared testimony before the Joint Economic Committee of Congress, Alan Greenspan also did not indicate whether the Fed is inclined to fight the ongoing economic slowdown by lowering interest rates.

Whether the Fed ''would seek higher, lower, or unchanged interest rates will depend on the specifics of the situation, which are shifting day by day,'' Greenspan said. One aspect of the interest-rate question is whether a budget deficit reduction pact can be reached, he said.

Greenspan warned, however, there is little the Fed can do to prevent higher petroleum prices from taking a large bite out of the U.S. economy. ''We must not lose sight of the fact that there is no policy initiative that can in the end prevent the transfer of wealth, and cut in our standard of living, that stems from higher prices for imported oil.''

Oil prices have soared from about $18 a barrel before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait to as high as $33 a barrel. If projected over one year, the additional costs for oil consequently would add about $85 billion to U.S. energy costs.

Evidence of higher inflation resulting from what Greenspan called the ''1990 oil shock'' came Tuesday when the Labor Department reported consumer prices rose 0.8 percent in August, double the July rate, with half of the increase blamed on energy costs.

Greenspan noted that U.S. economic growth was slowing before the Middle East crisis. ''It is difficult to distinguish the effects of higher oil prices from developments that would have occurred anyway,'' he said. But taking everything into account, Greenspan noted, including economic data and anecdotal reports, ''We are not - at least as yet - witnessing a cumulative unwinding of economic activity,'' or, in other words, a recession.

Nevertheless, Greenspan said ''it would be surprising if the recent

developments did not give rise to some pull-back by consumers and businesses.''

If Congress and President Bush succeed in enacting a five-year plan to cut the federal budget deficit by $500 billion, Greenspan said, the Fed could be expected to reduce short-term interest rates. In turn, if the budget agreement is credible, long-term and enforceable, ''I would expect long-term interest rates to decline,'' he said.

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BOMBAY, INDIA (SEPT. 19) UPI - An Indian couple allegedly beat to death their 7-year-old niece because they were unhappy about the way she treated their infant son while babysitting him, police said Wednesday.

The couple, identified as Bhagwan and Sharda Patil, both in their 50s, had their first child in January and had brought their 7-year-old niece, Chhaya Borke, from a nearby village to help care for the 9-month- old infant, the police said.

The couple, angry because they felt the girl was not doing a good enough job, allegedly beat the baby sitter to death Tuesday and then became panicky and tried to dispose of the body, they said.

The Patils called a taxi and allegedly took the body to a nearby beach to dump it in the ocean, the police said. When the taxi driver became suspicious, the Patils changed their minds and took the body to a government hospital.

The couple told the doctors the girl had been run down by a taxi, but the physician examining the girl did not believe them. Meanwhile the taxi driver had summoned the police, authorities said.

Police arrested the couple and charged both with murder.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 19) UPI - It will be harder in the future for particular sports to earn a role in the Summer Olympics.

The International Olympic Committee Wednesday approved tougher criteria in an attempt to cap the number of athletes and sports which are overloading the Games.

Starting in the year 2,000, sports for men will have to be played in 75 countries and four continents before being on the Olympic program. The figure for women is 40 countries and three continents.

Previously, male sports had to be played in 50 countries and three continents, while the comparative figures for women was 35 and three.

The rule will not apply to the 1992 and 1996 Summer Olympics. There has been no change for the Winter Games.

The IOC already has limited the 1992 Barcelona Summer Olympics to 10, 000 athletes in 25 sports.

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BONN, WEST GERMAN (SEPT. 19) UPI - The last of seven rail convoys of U.S. chemical munitions arrived Wednesday in the West German port of Nordenham, clearing the way for the final removal this week of all chemical weapons from West Germany, officials said.

The entire U.S. military stocks of 400 tons of chemical weapons is to be shipped by Thursday morning from Nordenham to be incinerated on the Johnston Atoll in the Pacific islands.

Once the weapons have been shipped out of Germany, there will be no more chemical weapons officially stored in Europe.

Officials observing the removal codenamed ''Operation Dragon'' said that a bomb scare and the replacement of a soldier who fell ill caused minor delays in the final train's arrival.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, General Crosbie E. Saint, commander of the U.S. Army in Europe, and West German Defense Minister Gerhard Stoltenberg will officially bring the removal operation to a close Friday at a public celebration in Clausen, where the weapons had been stored for nearly 30 years.

The United States agreed to remove the chemical weapons from West Germany at the 1986 economic summit in Tokyo.

The cost of the operation has been estimated at $46 million and involved more than 10,000 soldiers and West German policemen since the first train left Clausen last Wednesday.

West Germany was the only European country to store U.S. chemical weapons.

Both East and West Germany have committed themselves to ban any production of atomic, biological and chemical weapons on German soil.

The two Germanys are scheduled to be reunited next month.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - Reading down; Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

SALES
Net Income (per share)
Latest Period Year Earlier

AAR Corp (1st Q 8-31)
$116,091,000 $106,635,000
a-$6,697,000 (.42) $6,570,000 (.41)
a-Includes a $1,600,000 gain from the sale of an interest in a leased aircraft.

Club Med Inc (3rd Q 7-31)
$106,838,000 $99,551,000
$791,000 (.06) d-$2,687,000
d-Deficit.

Lesco Inc (3rd Q 8-31)
$32,765,106 $27,760,297
$1,162,211 (.28) $753,536 (.18)

Mark IV Indus (2nd Q 8-31)
$221,200,000 $212,500,000
a-$6,800,000 (.49) $6,300,000 (.40)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Measurex Corp (3rd Q 9-2)
$65,851,000 $71,968,000
$5,472,000 (.31) $10,094,000 (.54)

Paychex Inc (1st Q 8-31)
$33,067,000 $28,529,000
$2,871,000 (.22) $2,697,000 (.21)

Pharmacy Mgmt Serv (4th Q 7-31)
$16,508,000 $10,375,000
$834,000 (.10) $488,000 (.08)

Public Svc Enterprise (8 Mos (8-31)
$3,234,702,000 $3,138,453,000
$378,425,000 (1.79) $396,463,000 (1.93)

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - Federal Reserve chief Alan Greenspan says the economy may be shoved into a recession because of higher oil prices tied to the Persian Gulf crisis. But in testimony prepared for the Joint Economic Committee of Congress Greenspan declines to say if the nation's central bank will lower interest rates soon.

Iraq has laid the groundwork for what could be its confiscation of assets of foreign companies and governments. The possibility is included in a new law passed by the Baghdad government. It follows moves by many countries, including the United States, to freeze Iraqi assets around the world.

Talks between the United States and the Philippines are in their second day with a broad range of subjects to be covered, everything from health to trade. Negotiators get down to politically sensitive military issues tomorrow... specifically what to do when the current treaty on U- S bases ends next year.

Senate confirmation hearings continue today on whether David Souter will be the newest Supreme Court member. Yesterday's session turned into a shouting match between members of the Senate Judiciary Committee and a group of feminists who believe Souter will have the power to end legalized abortions.

President Bush continued his campaign swing for Republican candidates today, appearing at a breakfast fund-raiser in San Francisco. Bush has focused heavily on California Senator Pete Wilson's gubernatorial campaign against Democrat Diane Feinstein. Bush will head back to Washington from San Francisco.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - The Coast Guard is searching waters 30 miles east of Nantucket Island, Massachusetts, for two missing crew members of a fishing vessel. The 87-foot scalloper rolled over and sank while being escorted to harbor last night. Nine men on deck were rescued, but two others apparently were trapped in the engine room.

The House has rejected the Bush administration's request for four-point-seven-BILLION dollars... voting to cut the ''Star Wars'' missile defense program even deeper than recommended by the House Armed Services Committee. The action capped a series of votes seeking to set the spending level for the program, launched by President Ronald Reagan in 1983.

Reports from Poland indicate that President Jaruzelski may ask Parliament to shorten his term. The general controlled Poland during the years that Solidarity was outlawed. And Solidarity leader Lech Walesa already has said he will run for the presidency when and if elections are held.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 19) UPI - Rumeal Robinson, former University of Michigan guard who was the 10th pick in the first round of the last NBA draft, has signed a four-year contract with the Atlanta Hawks for $1.1 million a year.

Robinson, according to his agent, David Falk, is only the third of the top 14 1990 picks to have signed. The others are No. 4 Dennis Scott of Georgia Tech who signed with Orlando and No. 14 Travis Mays of Texas who signed with Sacramento.

Robinson, 6-foot-2, 195, hit two free throws with three seconds remaining in overtime against Seton Hall to give Michigan the 1989 NCAA basketball championship.

To make room for Robinson under their salary cap, the Hawks renounced the rights to free agents Cliff Levingston and John Long, both unrestricted free agents, and waived restricted free agent Duane Ferrell.

Levingston, 30, is an eight-year NBA veteran who spent two years with Detroit before joining Atlanta in 1984. Long and Ferrell both joined the Hawks last season.

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#90262u1127 09/19/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (SEPT. 19) UPI - Ushering in the Jewish New Year Wednesday, President Chaim Herzog told Israelis they were witnessing a miracle with the influx of new immigrants and Prime Minister Yitzhak warned the nation must be ready to confront dangers in the region.

In extensive New Year interviews and greetings on Israel Radio and in newspapers, Israeli politicians addressed the Persian Gulf crisis triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, and their hopes a resolution would be achieved without bloodshed.

But they emphasized that if a war erupted and Israel was pulled into the conflict, the country would be able to defend itself.

''A situation could arise in which we face Saddam Hussein alone and then we have to give an answer as to how to overcome this giant-size evil,'' Shamir said in a Rosh Hashana interview with the newspaper Yediot Ahronot. Asked if Israel had the ability to face Saddam, Shamir answer, ''Our will is our strength.''

''The gravity of the crisis leads us to wonder whether once and for all the world has realized that the central problem of the Middle East is not the Israel-Arab dispute,'' Herzog said in his message to the Israeli people, broadcast on radio and published in newspapers.

''Rather it is the persistent instability of the Arab world, particularly of those states rich in natural resources and controlling the fuel that is the lifeblood of the industrialized nations.''

Millions of Jews in Israel and around the world ushered in Jewish New Year 5751 at sundown by attending religious services or joining in festive meals. The two-day festival, which leads into the Jewish Sabbath, also provided a long holiday for Israelis who were expected to pack beaches and resort areas.

As the holiday start neared, the streets of Jerusalem were quiet in comparison to the hustle earlier in the day when Israelis rushed about town for last-minute shopping and street vendors hawked flowers.

The ''shofar,'' a ram's horn is traditionally blown on Rosh Hashana as a symbol of calling the masses to gather for the holiday, which begins a 10-day period of reflection and repentence that culminates with fasting on Yom Kippur the day of atonement.

In his New Year message, Herzog touched on the gulf crisis, the peace process, immigration, economic problems, the 1990 fall of the government and the political turmoil in creating a new coalition. He also discussed the consistently high number of traffic fatalities, a frequent theme in his speeches.

On immigration, Herzog sounded an upbeat note. Since the start of 1990, an estimated 100,000 new immigrants have arrived, including more than 92,000 from the Soviet Union. By the end of 1992, 1 million Soviet Jews are expected to have come to Israel, immigration officials predicted.

Despite religious prohibitions observed by Orthodox Jews against travel on Rosh Hashana, an estimated 2,000 new immigrants were expected to arrive during the festival because their flights could not be postponed.

''It is the miracle of the Return to Zion that we are witnessing with our own eyes,'' Herzog said. ''Those among us who doubt (our) ability to absorb the tens of thousands arriving, must remember and remind others of the difficult days at the end of the 40s' and beginning of the 50s' when Israel stood on the brink of disaster and nevertheless absorbed great waves'' of immigrants.

The Israeli government, despite economic difficulties, is working to integrate the newcomers and if Israel is successful, ''we will discover that the human wealth we are absorbing has advanced us toward a period of economic growth and prosperity,'' Herzog said.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - Stock prices continued to slide in light trading Wednesday on major global markets as worries over inflation and the recent jump in oil prices dampened investor enthusiam.

Federal Reserve Board Chairman Alan Greenspan painted a pessimistic picture on the outlook for U.S. inflation in remarks prepared for delivery before the Congressional Joint Economic Committee.

Greenspan said the recent jump in oil prices resulting from the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait is threatening to push the U.S. economy into recession - but stopped short of saying an economic downturn has begun.

''Despite the general sluggishness in business activity this year, the underlying trend in inflation has not improved,'' he said.

Whether the Fed ''would seek higher, lower, or unchanged interest rates will depend on the specifics of the situation, which are shifting day by day,'' Greenspan said. One aspect of the interest-rate question is whether a budget deficit reduction pact can be reached, he said.

Greenspan warned, however, there is little the Fed can do to prevent higher petroleum prices from taking a large bite out of the U.S. economy.

The higher oil prices will produce negative growth in the fourth quarter gross national product, say Kidder, Peabody & Co. economists.

In the firm's latest 'Capital Market Report,' the economists say ''oil prices are expected to remain above $30 a barrel for at least the next two months.''

''With oil prices above the crucial $30 level and with the growing likelihood of a Mideast conflict and spot shortages of petroleum products, our forecast of a recession is now a likely scenario,'' the economists said.

Investors reacted to the Greenspan comments by sending stocks lower in New York, London and across Europe.

Earlier, high interest rates worries sent stock prices lower in light trading on the Tokyo Stock Exchange for the fifth consecutive session. The Nikkei Average of 225 selective issue, which plunged 480.78 points Tuesday, fell another 158.65 points to 23,726.17 - its lowest close of the year.

Analysts in Tokyo said continuing weakness in the Japanese bond market snuffed out all buying enthusiasm for stocks.

The yield on the bellwether Japanese government bond ended at 8.55 percent, after touching a new high of 8.6 percent during the day. The bonds were hurt by predictions of a rise in the long-term interest rate and by short-term rates of as high as 8.4 percent, analysts said.

Stocks fell to their lowest level in nearly two years on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as wary investors extending their losing streak to the fifth consecutive session. The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which fell 23.21 points Tuesday, lost another 15.71 points to 2,980.95.

''There was little action today because people are sitting around waiting for things to change in the Gulf,'' said Herman Lam of First Pacific Securities. ''Unless something changes, you can expect the market to go sideways.''

Stocks continued to ease on the Singapore Stock Exchange in extremely lethargic trading as investors remained sidelined amid worries over oil prices and the Middle East crisis.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 17.72 points Tuesday, slipped 6.53 points to 1,172.48.

In Bangkok, stocks eased for the third consecutive day on the Thailand Stock Exchange. The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index slipped 1.30 points to 686.89.

''The market was depressed because there is only negative sentiment,'' said Vicharat Vichit-Vadakan, a Managing Director of Phatanasin Co., Ltd in Thailand said.

In Taipei, stocks plummeted 4 percent in extremely light trading on the Taiwan Stock Exchange amid worries of higher oil prices and their impact on the local economy. The Taipei Weighted Index plunged 132.38 points to 3,159.27.

In Australia, stocks fell to their lowest level since May on the Sydney Sharemarket. The All Ordinaries Index, which lost 5.0 points Tuesday, tumbled 20.6 points - or 1.4 percent - to 1,451.7.

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NANTUCKET, MA (SEPT. 19) UPI - The Coast Guard searched Wednesday for two crewmembers who were scrambling to escape a fishing vessel as it rolled over and sank Tuesday night 30 miles east of Nantucket Island.

The Coast Guard said nine men on deck at the time were tossed into the water but were rescued. The two men who were trying to get out of the engine room when the scalloper sank were missing, a Coast Guard spokesman said.

The Coast Guard said the 87-foot Aristocrat, based at Cape May, N.J., began taking on water Sunday afternoon about 150 miles southeast of Nantucket. A Coast Guard helicopter dropped pumps to the stricken vessel Monday, and it was being escorted toward Buzzards Bay Tuesday night when further problems were discovered.

Coast Guardsmen aboard the escorting cutter Tamaroa noticed the Aristocrat riding low in the water and suggested the vessel be checked for further leaks. Flooding was then discovered in a large stern compartment.

''It rolled over and sank two minutes after the flooding was discovered,'' said Coast Guard spokesman Steve Aitkins. ''It probably sank to the bottom quite quickly after that.'' The ocean is about 170 feet deep at that point, he said.

Aitkins said the nine men on deck at the time were wearing lifejackets. They were thrown into the water as the vessel rolled but a small boat from the Tamaroa rescued all of them.

Survivors told the Coast Guard the two missing crewmen were trying to get out of the engine room when the vessel sank. Both were from New Bedford, Mass. They were identified as Gary Shannon, 26, and Andrew Parisi, 35.

The Cutter Point Francis was taking the survivors to New Bedford and were expected to dock about 6 p.m.

Two helicopters and the Tamaroa were searching for the missing men. Five fishing vessels were also helping in the search, the Coast Guard said.

Aitkins said a lot of debris floated to the surface from the Aristocrat, which is owned by Aristocrat Inc. of Marion, Pa.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 19) UPI - Grain and soybean futures extended their opening losses at midmorning Wednesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Some of the strength in corn and soybeans on Tuesday was based on the likelihood of frost in northern areas of the Midwest early next week. By early Wednesday, forecasters had reduced the chances of a damaging frost, which resulted in most of the early selling activity.

Losses in corn and beans were limited by the rain and cool weather across the major production areas, along with a pick-up in export business.

Taiwan bought 54,000 tons of soybean overnight, Pakistan reportedly bought soybean oil and South Korea was in the market for corn.

Wheat was lower across the board. Light commercial selling was countered by light professional buying.

Light country movement and steady basis levels kept a floor under the market.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Sep 2.33 off 4; Dec 2.23 1/4 off 2 3/4; Mar 2.33 off 3.

Soybeans Sep 6.13 off 9 1/2; Nov 6.24 off 9 1/4; Jan 6.38 1/2 off 9 1/2; Mar 6.51 1/2 off 8 3/4.

Wheat Sep 2.57 off 2 1/2; Dec 2.72 1/2 off 2 1/2; Mar 2.87 1/4 off 2 1/4.

Oats Sep 1.07 1/2 off 3 1/4; Dec 1.16 3/4 off 2 1/4; Mar 1.27 1/2 off 2.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - A large study has provided further evidence that an inhaled drug that AIDS patients once had to get on the black market can prevent deadly AIDS-related pneumonia, researchers said Wednesday.

Only eight of 139 people infected with the AIDS virus who received high doses of aerosol pentamidine developed Pneumocystis carinii pneumonia, or PCP, during the 18-month study. That compares with 22 cases of PCP among 135 AIDS-infected patients given much smaller doses of the drug, said Dr. Gifford Leoung of the University of California-San Francisco.

PCP is extremely rare among people whose immune systems have not been weakened by factors like the AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, but it is the leading cause of death among people with HIV, the study noted.

Aerosol pentamidine, which is inhaled, has been widely used for several years by AIDS patients who obtained it on the black market. It generally is used in people whose levels of key immune cells called T-4 helpers drop below 200 cells per cubic millimeter of blood. A normal level is about 800 cells.

Last year, the Food and Drug Administration approved use of aerosol pentamidine to prevent PCP and it is now widely prescribed. However, the new study is the largest controlled study to date of the drug's effectiveness and safety, Leoung and colleagues said in The New England Journal of Medicine.

The study involved 408 HIV patients, including 139 who inhaled a 300-milligram dose of aerosol pentamidine every four weeks and 135 who received a 30-milligram dose every two weeks. A third group of 134 people received an intermediate 150-milligram dose of the drug every two weeks.

At the study's end, eight people receiving the largest dose had experienced an episode of PCP, versus 16 receiving the intermediate dose and 22 the smallest dose, the researchers said. Five people in the large dose group died from PCP, six in the intermediate group and five in the low-dose group.

''There is a clear trend here that more (pentamidine) is better, at least in these dosages. And a higher dose every four weeks is better than a lower one every two weeks,'' Leoung said.

The most common side effect attributed to pentamidine was a cough, but only 2 percent of patients stop using the drug because of it.

In a separate study appearing in the journal, another group of San Francisco researchers reported a combination of the microbe-fighting drugs trimethoprim and dapsone is as effective in fighting first episodes of PCP in AIDS patients as the standard drug timethoprim- sulfamethoxazole, but causes fewer adverse side effects.

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JERUSALEM (SEPT. 19) UPI - Defense Minister Moshe Arens returned to Israel Wednesday after Israeli sources said he secured a U.S. leasing agreement for F-15 jets and Patriot missiles amid the Persian Gulf crisis and a proposed $20 billion U.S. arms sale to Saudi Arabia.

The deal came out of Arens' meetings in Washington this week with U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, during which the Israeli defense minister told U.S. officials his country needed $1 billion in emergency military aid and an additional $750 million in annual defense funds.

Israel sources told The Jerusalem Post newspaper that Cheney and Arens agreed on the leasing of 15 F-15A and F-15B warplanes, two Patriot anti-aircraft and anti-missile batteries and 10 CH-3 cargo helicopters.

Upon his return to Israel before the start of the Jewish New Year, Arens said he was generally satisfied with his U.S. trip, but said more work needed to be done. He declined to comment on the specifics of the deal.

Arens said it was not clear when the United States would respond to Israel's request for more military aid, but he hoped the deal was an indication Israel would ultimately receive what it requested.

Israeli officials, awaiting a briefing from Arens, said they believed the deal would be the first such U.S.-Israeli lease agreement.

''It certainly would be considered as a step in the right direction,'' said Avi Pazner, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's media adviser. ''Israel's defense needs have now increased many folds and (the deal) is not a complete answer to all our needs.''

Israel has consistently maintained it must not lose its qualitative military

edge in the region and Israeli officials said they have received assurances from Washington. Last week, Saudi Arabia informally notified the U.S. Congress of its intent to purchase about $20 billion in sophisticated aircraft, advanced armored vehicles and missiles.

The Saudi shopping list included 24 F-15s, C and F models, in addition to 24 already ordered by the Saudis in a package sent to Congress Sept. 4, 385 M-1 tanks, and between 20 to 28 Patriot missiles, which can intercept incoming ballistic missiles and aircraft.

''Israel is in need of instruments that are vital for her defense, and she has to receive it not in the frame of the regular defense assistance, meaning in exchange for payment,'' Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir told Army Radio.

Israel receives $3 billion in U.S. economic and military assistance, of which an estimated $1.8 billion is in military aid.

''The U.S. is committed to maintaining Israel's technological superiorty,'' Assistant U.S. Secretary of Defense Henry Rowen told The Jerusalem Post. ''We've had an intense series of meetings the last couple of days. I hope (Arens) feels pretty good about it.''

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COLOMBO, SRI LANKA (SEPT. 19) UPI - The Sri Lankan government Wednesday denounced an Amnesty International report on its alleged human rights abuses as ''wild'' and ''one-sided.''

The government reaction came amid reports of continuing violence in the eastern part of the country, where security forces clashed with the Libertion Tigers of Tamil Eelam, leaving at least 17 rebels dead.

A senior military official said the encounter occurred when security forces surprised Tiger rebels as they were laying land mines Tuesday near Chavalakadai, a town near the eastern city of Amparai, 135 miles east of Colombo.

The Tigers are fighting for an independent homeland for the nation's minority Tamils in the north and east of the country.

Amnesty International, the London-based human rights organization, released a report alleging the Sri Lankan government licensed terror tactics by its security forces.

The report said the government forces are responsible for thousands of killings, disappearances, arbitrary attacks and roundups in a campaign to supress armed opposition.

The report, which covered the years 1987-1990, charged that thousands of people have ''disappeared'' or been killed by security forces in recent years in the south of Sri Lanka and that hundreds more have fallen victim to violence in the latest wave of repression in the northeast.

The government had no official reaction as of Wednesday afternoon, but a senior official of the government's information department hinted that one might be forthcoming.

''The AI's charges are an annual feature,'' the official said. ''We don't have to rush in to react to the wild, one-sided allegations. We will respond at the appropriate time. We are not preparing any statements now.''

A Cabinet minister, who asked not to be identified, said the government might discuss the issue at the weekly Cabinet meeting later Wednesday and release an official reaction Thursday.

Allegations of human rights violations apparently is a touchy subject with the Sri Lankan government. On Sept. 12, a lawmaker carrying documents alleging human rights violations by security forces was detained by authorities before he could board a plane bound for Geneva to hand over the files to a human rights group.

Police seized the documents but later released Mahinda Rajapakse, a member of the opposition Sri Lanka Freedom Party, and allowed him to continue on to Geneva. Authorities apparently confiscated the potentially damaging material under emergency security regulations.

A state of emergency is in force in Sri Lanka due to the ongoing war between the government and the Tamil separatists in the north and east.

Amnesty International and other such groups have frequently accused the Sri Lankan government of large-scale human rights violations.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens confirms that his government plans to lease military equipment from the United States. The list includes F-15 fighter aircraft along with cargo helicopters and two Patriot anti-aircraft and anti-missile batteries. The deal apparently was worked out in meetings with Defense Secretary Cheney in Washington.

The troubled-plagued shuttle Columbia has been moved to the bottom of the deck as NASA turns its attentions to the shuttle Discovery mission that is three weeks away. It may be late October before Columbia ever gets off the ground at Cape Canaveral. But Discovery is set for an October 5th launch that will see

it carry a European-built solar probe into space.

The last of seven rail convoys of U-S chemical munitions arrived in the West German port of Nordenham today, clearing the way for the final removal of all chemical weapons from West Germany. Officials say the entire U-S military stock of 400 tons of chemical weapons is to be shipped out of Nordenham by tomorrow morning. It will be incinerated on the Johnston Atoll in the Pacific. Once the weapons have been shipped out of Germany, there will be NO more chemical weapons officially stored in Europe.

Official reports from China tell of 65 executions yesterday in one southern city, the largest single-day tally in what has become a six- month crackdown against criminals. The executions- normally a single bullet fired into the back of the head- were carried out yesterday immediately after sentence was passed.

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LONDON (SEPT. 19) UPI - Politicians, writers and human rights supporters Wednesday urged the Iranian government to drop its death sentence against Salman Rushdie, whose novel ''The Satanic Verses'' was deemed blasphemous by the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

''We urge the government of Iran to act in a positive, generous and tolerant spirit to revoke the edict against Mr. Rushdie's life and the offer of bounty money, and so speedly bring this unhappy chapter to a close,'' the group wrote in a letter to Iranian President Akbar Hashemi- Rafsanjani.

Khomeini, Iran's spiritual leader, ordered the execution of Rushdie on Feb. 14 1989, four months before his own death. Businessmen and government agencies offered a bounty to whoever killed him.

Rushdie, a British citizen of Indian origin, has been in hiding ever since.

The letter was circulated on behalf of the signatories by Article 19, a London-based organization that supports freedom of press and speech, and the International Committee for the Defense of Salman Rushdie and his Publishers.

Among those who signed the letter were Czechoslovakian President Vaclav Havel and Soviet, German, French and Polish officials as well as American, Palestinian, Indian professors and writers.

The appeal said since the edict was announced ''one of the world's most distinguished authors has been obliged to live secretly and in fear of assassination. The consequences have extended to the disruption of the lives of his family.

''An end to this disturbing and unacceptable situation must now be found,'' the letter said. ''However, we believe that no resolution to the affair can be achieved while the threat of murder continues to hang over Mr. Rushdie's head.''

It said the present Gulf crisis underlines the urgency to solve the problem and welcomed Iran's readiness to resume diplomatic ties with Britain, which were severed following Khomeini's death order.

Britain has said revoking the threat against Rushdie is a precondition to resuming relations.

The government recently reiterated its respect for Islam, saying it did not intend to insult Moslems in condemning the death threat. Tehran welcomed the conciliatory gesture.

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AUSTIN, TX (SEPT. 19) UPI - Police expanded their investigation Wednesday into fraternity hazing incidents at the University of Texas after a student said three assailants used a knife to carve Greek letters on his face.

Brent Baresh, 24, an inactive member of the Sigma Chi fraternity, told police he was attacked early Monday while jogging near the campus.

The attack on Baresh prompted the second investigation into fraternity-related violence at the university this week.

''I definitely thought I was going to die,'' Baresh said.

He told investigators the attackers pinned him to the ground and one of them cut the letters of the fraternity onto his cheeks.

''I smelled alcohol on his breath and didn't know what would happen next,'' Baresh said of the man who straddled him and slashed his face. ''If somone had the nerve to pull a knife and cut you, you don't know what they're going to do.''

The man cut an S on his left cheek and an X, the Greek letter for chi, on his other cheek. Baresh, a transfer student from the University of Houston, also suffered cuts on the forehead, chin and arm.

''He pulled out a knife and said, 'Let me show you how sharp it is,''' Baresh said. ''He said, 'Let me show you how to spell Sigma Chi.'''

Police said they had no suspects or leads in the case, which is also being investigated by the Interfraternity Council and the university.

Travis County Attorney Ken Oden called for stronger enforcement of hazing laws Tuesday following an incident where a Texas student was found blindfolded, bound and gagged behind a fraternity house.

Two 18-year-old men were arrested in that incident, which occurred about 2 a.m. Monday at the Pi Kappa Alpha house.

''I'm not going to compare them to street gangs right now and say that all fraternities are engaged in his kind of behavior, because they're not,'' Oden said. ''I think there are some fraternities that have not gotten the message that being in a fraternity does not give you any special exemptions under the law.''

Hazing incidents at Texas have led to the deaths of two students in recent years - Mark Seeberger in 1986 and Gregg Scott Phillips in 1988.

Seeberger died of alcohol poisoing and Phillips fell off a cliff while running from two fraternity members who had been trying to throw him in the pool of a sorority house.

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#90262u1197 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

SOFIA, BULGARIA (SEPT. 19) UPI - Bulgaria's revamped Communist Party will retain complete control of the government under a new Cabinet that is expected to be unveiled within 24 hours, party leaders said Wednesday.

The prospect of continued one-party rule in Bulgaria became a virtual certainty after the major opposition parties refused to enter into a coalition with the ruling Bulgarian Socialist Party, as the communists now call themselves.

Party leaders said acting Prime Minister Andrei Loukanov was expected to name a new all-Socialist Cabinet on Wednesday. They expressed hope that the new government and its program, to be announced later, would receive wide support in the Parliament so much-needed economic reforms could be implemented.

The Socialists have been unable to form a government more than three months after winning a majority in parliament in the country's first democratic elections in 44 years.

The opposition, led by the Union of Democratic Forces, has refused to join a coalition government unless the Socialists agree to a program of radical economic reforms.

Socialist leader Alexander Lilov, in an interview with the party newspaper Douma, said the opposition had rejected a proposal by President Zhelyu Zhelev

for a ''program government,'' in which a bi- partisan Cabinet would be appointed to administer a program of reforms.

Earlier this week, about 30,000 Bulgarians attended a rally in Sofia in what the opposition umbrella organization Union of Democratic Forces called the meeting ''a demonstration for parliamentary democracy.''

Georgi Spassov, a member of the group's coordinating council, said the opposition ''says no to the iron fist of neo-communism, no to violence and yes -loudly and firmly - to democracy.''

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MIAMI (SEPT. 19) UPI - The 11th tropical depression of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season followed a westward path Wednesday through the mid- Atlantic Ocean, and some strengthening was expected.

At noon EDT, the depression was centered near latitude 15.7 north, longitude 49.7 west, or about 780 miles east of the Leeward Islands, the National Hurricane Center said.

The system was moving west at 10 mph and was expected to continue that motion for the next 24 hours. Maximum sustained winds were near 35 mph, just 4 mph shy of tropical storm strength.

Forecasters predicted the system would strengthen into the season's 10th tropical storm, which would be named Josephine, late Wednesday or early Thursday.

Four storms - Bertha, Diana, Gustav and Isidore - have developed into hurricanes with winds of more than 74 mph so far this season. But none caused significant damage to land.

The hurricane season runs June 1 to Nov. 30.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Notre Dame (39) (1-0)	787	1
2.	Florida State (9) (2-0)	747	2
3.	Auburn (5) (2-0)	731	3
4.	Brigham Young (1) (3-0)	612	7

5.	Southern Cal (1) (2-0)	595	4
6.	Tennessee (3-0-1)	528	6
7.	Nebraska (1) (2-0)	489	8
8.	Miami (1-1)	394	10
9.	Virginia (3-0)	393	11
10.	Michigan (0-1)	363	5
11.	Texas A&M (2-0)	322	12
12.	Ohio State (2-0)	200	14
13.	Arkansas (1-0)	135	15
14.	Arizona (2-0)	75	16
15.	Florida (2-0)	72	21
16.	Washington (2-0)	56	20
17.	Illinois (1-1)	44	17
18.	Colorado (1-1-1)	42	9
19.	Clemson (2-1)	36	19
20.	Texas (1-0)	33	17
21.	(tie) Fresno State (3-0)	19	23
21.	(tie) Arizona State (2-0)	19	24
23.	(tie) Oregon (2-0)	7	z
23.	(tie) Michigan St. (0-0-1)	7	22
25.	Syracuse (1-1-1)	5	z

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Others receiving votes: Georgia Tech, Iowa,
Louisiana State, Pittsburgh, Wyoming.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances and postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches.

Those schools are Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - An unexpected rise in U.S. gasoline inventories drove world oil prices down in early trading Wednesday with relative quiet prevailing in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Unleaded gasoline for October delivery had fallen 2.31 cents from Tuesday's close to 89.30 cents a gallon after opening at 88.5 cents a gallon and trading as low as 88 cents a gallon in morning trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

October heating oil had fallen 0.63 cent to 85.80 cents a gallon.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery was down 86 cents to $32.55 a barrel.

Late Tuesday, the oil industry's American Petroleum Institute reported gasoline inventories last week rose 5.9 million barrels from the prior week to 217 million barrels, close to year-ago levels of 218.6 million barrels.

The API also reported that heating oil supplies rose 1.6 million barrels to 131.7 milion barrels, more than 10 million barrels above last year, while crude oil stocks dropped 4.5 million barrels.

''It's the disappointing API statistics report, particularly gasoline,'' said Kirk Kinnear, a trader with the Phibro Division of Salomon Brothers in Greenwich, Conn.

He said the market had been expecting ''a breakeven or a drawdown in gasoline stocks.''

The unanticipated rise in gasoline inventories was ''a big number, one of the biggest I can remember,'' the trader said.

With the Sept.3 Labor Day holiday weekend ending the summer heavy- driving season, the API statistics also indicated daily demand for U.S. gasoline dropped 600,000 barrels - or 8 percent - to 6.8 million barrels, said Tom Bentz, trading director at New York's United Energy Inc.

The United States accounts for about 25 percent of the world's oil consumption.

''The pullback in the products weighed on crude prices,'' Bentz said. ''Profit taking in the European market is also putting pressure on us,'' he added.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was down $1.40 at midday to $34.70 a barrel.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light, the key Middle East crude shipped mainly to the Far East, had lost $1.25 to $28 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, WTI for prompt delivery had declined $1 from Tuesday's close to $32.40 a barrel.

Wednesday was one of the few days since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait that the Middle East crisis didn't dominate oil markets.

''There was no news in the market,'' Bentz said.

Iraq passed a law allowing it to seize assets of governments and companies that have frozen Iraqi assets abroad and declared it was no longer responsible for the safety of foreign property in occupied Kuwait and Iraq.

That move came as the U.N. Security Council prepared to discuss an air embargo against Iraq to tighten enforcement of economic sanctions imposed after the invasion of Kuwait.

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WARSAW, POLAND (SEPT. 19) UPI - President Wojciech Jaruzelski has offered to step down in November if Parliament agrees to move up presidential elections scheduled for next year to this fall, a senior Solidarity official said.

The Sejm, the lower house of Parliament, was scheduled to meet Thursday and Friday to discuss an amendment to the Constitution which would allow an early general election to choose a new president.

It is widely believed the Sejm will approve the amendment.

Pressure has been mounting on Jaruzelski to resign and various political groups have collected sigantures on petitions urging the general, the sole remaining senior official of Poland's former communist government, to step down.

Bronislaw Geremek, chairman of the Solidarity caucus in parliament, said at a news conference that Jaruzelski filed a letter with the Sejm asking it to shorten his term in office.

Jaruzelski's spokesman confirmed the letter, saying the president acted to ''prevent unnecessary social emotions'' - a reference to the public demand for him to go.

''The presidential office term would expire two months after the amendment to the Constitution came into effect,'' Geremek said disclosing the contents of Jaruzelski's letter and hinting he will resign in the second half of November.

''The parliamentary elections can be held in early spring next year,'' said Geremek.

Earlier, police hauled off demonstrators who blockaded the gate of Jaruzelski's home to demand he resign.

About 15 demonstrators from the right-wing Confederation of Independent Poland sat down at the gate and vowed to stay as long as Jaruzelski held his job. An official in the residence said Jaruzelski was inside.

''Jaruzelski has been in office 13 months too long,'' said demonstrator Henryk Kozakiewicz, referring to the time Jaruzelski has held office since formation of Poland's Solidarity government.

The demonstrators chanted ''Jaruzelski must go'' and ''Soviet servants'' as 30 police officers hauled them into police vehicles. Police also took down a poster from the gate demanding Jaruzelski's resignation.

The Confederation of Independent Poland, one of the right-wing parties, said Tuesday Jaruzelski, who supressed Solidarity with the imposition of martial law in 1981, should step down immediately.

Jaruzelski was elected president last year for five years as the result of the historic round-table talks between the former communist regime and Solidarity.

Solidarity was allowed to install its government with Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki and Jaruzelski got the presidential job despite the fact that the Communist Party he led for many years collapsed.

Jaruzelski's spokesman released the statement following the meeting between Jaruzelski, Mazowiecki, Solidarity founder Walesa and other leaders of major political parties held in the residence of Catholic Cardinal Jozef Glemp Tuesday.

The meeting failed to resolve a controversial issue between Walesa, who declared Monday he would run for president, and Mazowiecki on whether the presidential election should be held ahead of parliamentary elections this fall or next year.

Walesa supports the earlier option.

The Sejm meets in session Thursday and Jaruzelski's letter may pave the way for the final parliamentary decision dealing with the political timetable of further transformations.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 19) UPI - A black county official warned of open warfare if the city hires a ''good old boy'' police chief who would be insensitive to minorities, The Dallas Morning News said Wednesday.

''If you try to bring in a 'good old boy' in this system, we're going to be in the streets,'' Dallas County Commissioner John Wiley Price said. ''Physically, literally, shooting folks. We're not going to tolerate it.''

Price said in a telephone call to the newspaper later Tuesday he would

advocate violence against police only if police were violent against civilians. He confirmed Wednesday his remarks were serious.

''If they want a war zone, let them pick one of those good old boys,'' he said in the Morning News interview. ''We will call to arms, real simple. And then we will stand by whatever we do.''

The city is searching for a chief to succeed Mack Vines, who was fired last week after a county grand jury indicted him on one count of misdemeanor perjury. Vines was popular with some minority groups.

Price made his latest comments when asked if he was serious about similar remarks made in a taped interview last Friday.

The outspoken county official said he was serious. ''M-16s and all, we will take to the (expletive) streets,'' he said.

Price cited the case of Etta Collins, a 70-year-old woman who was shot by a Dallas policeman on her front porch in October 1986. He said anti-police violence would only be the beginning if a similar incident happened.

''Not only shoot at police, we're going to take this whole city,'' he said. ''And, you know, were going to take it into our own hands because it's our city.''

Vines, City Manager Jan Hart and Mayor Annette Strauss had little to say about Price's comments.

Hart would only say that Price ''has made it clear he prefers an outside police chief.'' Price said he considers ''an old boy'' someone who would be appointed from within the department.

Police Cpl. James Allen, president of the predominately black Texas Peace Officers Association, said citizens would not follow Price's ''call to arms.''

''I can understand the frustration he (Price) is trying to vent,'' Allen said. ''But to say that we as a people should call for citizens to take up arms, absolutely not.''

Deputy Mayor Diane Ragsdale, one of two black City Council members, would not comment directly but said Price's remarks reflect the frustration felt by a large part of the minority community.

''It's obvious he's extremely angry, and legitimately so, because of the gross injustices that continue to exist in this city,'' Ragsdale said. ''I join him in his anger. I'm very angry and frustrated myself.''

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - higher.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 85-87; large 82- 85 and mediums 64-67.

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#90262u1260 09/19/1990 ~United Press International
CAIRO (SEPT. 19) UPI - Egypt raised the price of its crude oil Wednesday by $2 a barrel to $34.30, the highest price in more than eight years, a government official said.

The latest hike - the second in three days - was taken ''in light of the developments in the world market,'' Hammad Ayoub, deputy chairman of the state-owned Petroleum Corp., told the semi-official Middle East News Agency.

Since the Persian Gulf crisis erupted Aug. 2, when Iraq invaded the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait, the price of oil has rocketed on world markets.

Prior to the invasion and the U.N. embargo on 4 million barrels in exports from Kuwait and Iraq, prices had been at their lowest ebb in four years, suffering from a glut estimated by oil experts at more than 1 million barrels a day.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 19) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Wednesday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery steady; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 76-79; large 72-78; medium 56-62.

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BY DANIEL DROSDOFF - UPI

BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA (SEPT. 19) UPI - President Carlos Menem has risked a temporary setback in popularity at home by sending ships to join the naval blockade against Iraq, but he expects international dividends as compensation.

Argentina's decision, announced Tuesday night, to become the first Latin American nation to send warships to the Persian Gulf to help enforce the blockade is a sharp departure from that nation's historic policy of non-alignment.

Argentina was neutral during World War I, prospering by selling grain and beef to the warring armies.

In stayed neutral for nearly all of World War II, declaring war on the Axis, under heavy international pressure, just days before the fall of Berlin.

Public opinion polls are showing that between 60 and 70 percent of Argentines oppose Menem's decision to send two destroyers to enforce the multinational blockade against Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

Congressional sentiment also appears mostly hostile, but Menem sidestepped Congress with semantics, saying the Argentine warships were a ''peace force'' not intended to engage in combat.

Since the mission was non-belligerent, Menem argued, it did not need approval by Congress as required by the constitution in cases of war.

However, Foreign Minister Domingo Cavallo said Wednesday at a news conference to foreign correspondents that the Argentine warships ''would obviously defend themselves'' in case they were attacked.

He said the task force was designed to help put teeth into U.N. sanctions and were authorized to ''use proportionate force as stipulated by the United Nations,'' meaning minimum force.

Menem is after bigger stakes than showing the Argentine flag in the Middle East.

His real goal is to build a better relationship with the United States and other Western countries that in the past have been suspicious of his Peronist Party, founded in the 1940's with a distinct nationalist and anti-U.S. tint.

The party founder, the late three-time President Juan Domingo Peron, was aligned with a pro-Axis group of army officers before he took power, and he invented the term ''Third Position,'' which eventually evolved into Argentina's identification with the Third World.

Now Argentina badly needs help from the West.

It has not had enough money to service its foreign debt of $70 billion since 1988, and it counts on influence of the United States and other friendly Western states to help gain credits from the International Monetary Fund and World Bank despite an overall poor payment record.

Argentina is also hoping to gain a bigger market for its agricultural and industrial products in the United States as part of President Bush's Latin American initiative, announced last June, to construct a free trade zone from Alaska to Tierra del Fuego, a large island on Argentina's southern tip.

By bettering Argentina's image in the West, the Argentine leadership expects to lure more private investors.

Menem is counting on the private investment in industries such as petroleum, airlines, railroads, telephones and electricity to bail out state operations that have been inefficient and are now being sold off.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - The House vote to effectively shut down the federally subsidized crop insurance program at the end of this month is being challenged by a powerful Senate panel.

The future of crop insurance has been in doubt since the start of this year when the Bush administration proposed termination of the program, with the successor to be a stand-by system of disaster-relief payments.

Farm-state congressmen prefer the idea of reforming crop insurance, which has swallowed an average annual subsidy of $500 million during the past decade, but have been unable to agree on how to do it.

The House voted this summer to give the Federal Crop Insurance Corp. only enough money in fiscal 1991 to cover policies sold by Sept. 30. Under that plan, no other policies would be sold until the program was reformed.

However, the Senate Appropriations Committee voted Wednesday to supply full funding to the FCIC - a total of $325.8 million, or $224 million more than the House allotted. It also earmarked $174 million more than the House to pay the cost of subsidizing the premiums paid by farmers who buy crop insurance.

''I do not believe this is any time to leave farmers, their suppliers and dealers in the lurch,'' said Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, pointing to recent sizable increases in participation.

As part of providing money for crop insurance, the committee approved a $51.16 billion agriculture appropriations bill for fiscal 1991. The bill is $815 million more than the approved by the House but still is $1.5 billion below the administration proposal.

Congress appropriated $45.2 billion for the Agriculture Department and related agencies for this fiscal year.

The administration has said it will continue to operate the crop insurance program as usual unless Congress decides to terminate it or change it. As part of work on the new farm policy law, the Senate adopted a package that calls for more realistic insurance rates, offering coverage over a broader area and requiring private insurance companies to bear more of the risk on policies.

Despite recent upturns in enrollment, farmer participation has been lower than expected. The White House has argued the government cannot afford to offer crop insurance and the special disaster-relief programs enacted after widespread crop failures.

The appropriations bill approved by the Senate panel would remove the limit on spending under the Export Enhancement Program - the major U.S. export subsidy program - and the Targeted Export Assistance program. The House has voted for a $500 million limit on the EEP in fiscal 1991 and a $200 million lid on the TEA.

The Senate bill agrees with the House in trying to eliminate funding for agricultural trade missions. Congress appropriated $197,000 for that purpose this year.

Each bill devotes more than half of its spending to public feeding programs, such as food stamps, the Women, Infants and Children program and school lunches. The Senate bill would allot $17.25 billion for food stamps, up $2.48 billion from this year, and $2.35 billion for WIC, up $224 million.

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FRANKFURT, West Germany (SEPT. 19) UPI - The head of the West German central bank said Wednesday that Europe should not rush into implementing a monetary union.

Karl Otto Poehl said the powerful Bundesbank will only agree to leave the Deutsche mark, the strongest currency in Europe, in the hands of a European central bank if the future monetary system is as good as the one that currently exists.

The Bundesbank, which has a high degree of autonomy, is widely considered a model central bank and has managed over the years to keep a tight grip on

inflation rates.

''It would be a major mistake to give up the functioning system for one that is worse,'' Poehl said.

He said he was not speaking merely in the interests of West Germany but of all European partners.

Bundesbank policies and the ''strength'' of the Deutsche mark have made a ''significant contribution'' and illustrate that the European Monetary System ''has functioned relatively well,'' Poehl said.

He said economic growth and budget policies have to be adjusted between the European states before a monetary union can be achieved.

Poehl cited the currency reform in East Germany as an example for what a heavy burden a swift monetary change can put on a country. The strong West mark replaced the weak East mark July 1 in East Germany in a first phase of economic unification of the two nations.

But the East German economy has been crippled since then by rising unemployment and falling productivity.

Poehl said the East German currency union had to be put into effect to stop the flood of East German refugees into West Germany. Europe is under no such pressure, he added.

He said that the West German government supported his position but that some politicians disagreed on the date when European monetary union should occur. Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher has called for swift completion of European integration, but Finance Minister Theo Waigel has agreed with the Bundesbank position, urging a go-slow approach.

Before the drive to Oct. 3 German unification started, the Bonn government was one of the staunchest supporters of European economic integration.

The 12 European Community member states will meet three months from now to start negotiations on political and economic union in advance of the 1992 European market.

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OTTAWA (SEPT. 19) UPI - The army said Wednesday it would display about 50 weapons seized from a Mohawk reserve south of Montreal during a search that provoked the most violent clash yet between troops and natives in a 2 1/2-month-old standoff over a land dispute.

Lt. Col. Greg Mitchell, batallion commander for the Canadian Army, said in an interview the weapons, including shotguns, rifles, and handguns as well as walkie-talkies and camouflage uniforms, were found in some ten caches on the Kahnawake reserve.

''They were hidden away in plastic or duffle bags, under trees. The intent for their use was obviously illegal,'' Mitchell said.

He said the army planned to publicly display the weapons later Wednesday in Montreal.

Police, soldiers and Mohawks at two Quebec reserves have been involved in a land dispute that began July 11 when Quebec officers stormed a barricade erected by natives around a proposed golf course they claimed was an ancient burial ground. One officer was killed in the raid at the Kanesatake reserve, south of Montreal.

A day later, Mohawks at Kahnawake erected barricades across highways and a bridge connecting the town of Chateauguay to Montreal. In August, the Quebec government ordered Canadian troops to replace the provincial police force at the barricades. Within days, Kahnawake Mohawks and soldiers agreed to jointly dismantle barricades around the one reserve.

Soldiers continue to be stationed around a treatment center on the Kanesatake reserve where about 50 militant Mohawks, women and children are maintaining a last stand against the army.

The search for weapons Tuesday at Kahnawake led to the worst clash yet between soldiers and Mohawks. In the resulting riot that lasted nearly seven hours, soldiers used three rounds of tear gas to restrain the crowd of about 300 natives who tried to stop the search.

Although the natives were equipped with only rocks, clubs and sticks, they almost overpowered the soldiers. According to Mitchell, 19 soldiers required medical treatment, including one with a broken hand, another with severe head lacerations and a third who had half his ear torn off.

At one point, Mohawks wrestled a young soldiers to the ground and were trying to strangle him with the cord of his binoculars. Mitchell said the army fired shots into the air to still the soldier's captors so ''we could save his life.''

Mitchell also rejected comments by Mohawk leaders that the army had planted the weapons to discredit the natives.

''That charge is absolutely ludicrous,'' he said, adding that the army invited members of the Mohawk peacekeeping force to join the search and native leaders were present when the weapons were found.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	388.00 off 2.00
Morning fixing	386.45 off 1.55
Afternoon fixing	386.50 off 1.50
Close	386.75 off 1.25
Paris	390.32 up 0.57
Zurich	386.00 off 1.50
Hong Kong	385.95 off 5.30
New York	
Comex spot gold midday	385.60 off 1.00
Handy and Harman	386.50 up 0.50

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 387.81 up 0.50 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 407.20 up 0.52 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot midday silver 4.79 unchanged.

Handy and Harman quoted silver of 4.81 per fine ounce up 0.025.

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.82 up 0.015 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.157 up 0.016.

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 460.00 off 1.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 560.00 off 1.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 106.00 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 121.00 off 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 19) UPI - People with a good sense of smell or a tendency toward high blood pressure might want to avoid four-star restaurants, the author of a study of top chefs said Wednesday.

Dr. Alan R. Hirsch, neurological director of the Smell & Taste Treatment and Research Foundation, said a study of Chicago's top chefs found three in 10 had a reduced ability to smell and seven in 10 had a reduced ability to taste, especially salt.

Hirsch said the study, published Wednesday in Food Technology magazine, is the first of its kind of chefs.

''We were not expecting this at all. We thought chefs would actually have a better sense of smell than you or I because they use it all the time,'' Hirsch said.

None of the chefs could recognize the scents of wintergreen, coconut or chicken soup and 20 percent could not recognize the scents of green apple or peppermint.

The reason why the chefs had a reduced ability to smell and taste prompted several theories that were discarded.

''The theory we finally came up with has to do with who eats at these restaurants,'' said Hirsch. Successful businesspeople tend to be older men, who generally have a poorer sense of smell than women (and) who further reduce their ability to smell if they smoke or drink alcohol.

''They come to this restaurant and their sense of smell isn't very good. Say if the chefs had a good sense of smell, they would have flavored the food very lightly. They bring it out to this man. He tastes it and says, 'This food is bland. Get rid of the chef.'

''What's happening is the chefs at these top, four-star restaurants were actually cooking for their audience. They became chefs maybe because they had a heavier hand in their use of flavorings.''

The study also found ''these chefs tended not to adapt to smells. They always smelled them no matter what,'' said Hirsch. The general population can tune out smells. ''If you put on perfume, 10 minutes later you can't tell you have it on. You'll go somewhere and someone will say how strong your perfume is.''

Another finding Hirsch said ''has tremendous medical implications'' had to do with how the brain processes smell.

''Those of us who are right-handed, we think logically on the left side of our brain,'' said Hirsch. ''As a novice, we think smell on the right side, emotional side, of the brain. They (chefs) think smell on the left side of their brains. The entire way they understand and think smell is different than you and I do.''

The study of the 10 male chefs was scientifically conducted, said Hirsch. At

the time, there were no female chefs at the top restaurants in the area. Each of the men eliminated outside factors, like having no caffeine for 72 hours.

''We know a lot of salt increases the risk of hypertension. If you have a tendency toward hypertension, you might not want to eat at these four-star restaurants,'' Hirsch said.

''I don't want to condemn four-star chefs. It's an art that's involved in cooking that may be independent of their absolute ability to smell and taste. Beethoven was deaf when he composed some of his last symphonies but he knew how things should sound. These chefs know how it should taste. They have an internal memory of how things should be and that may be how they compensate.''

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MILFORD, CT (SEPT. 19) UPI - A couple who chucked their careers to sell teddy bears have little hope police will find $60,000 worth of their stuffed animals that were stolen and traced to a blighted housing project.

Police said there were no leads Wednesday in locating the burgled bears, which were painstakingly obtained from craftsmen, retail stores, antique shops, dealers and other collectors and sold mail-order and at shows.

''It's the saddest thing I've ever come into in my life,'' said Larry Idema. ''I've had my ups and downs but in one fell swoop, when (thieves) wipe you out it's sickening.''

Idema, 49, and his wife, Ellen, 36, of Grand Haven, Mich., were staying at a motel in Milford earlier this week and parked their pickup truck and trailer full of collectible antique bears outside.

When they awoke Monday morning, the truck, trailer and 300 bears were gone, including a 1905 German Steiff brand bear worth about $5,000.

Hours laters, police in nearby Bridgeport found the truck, trailer and one muddy little bear in the Father Panik Village public housing complex, one of the most crime-ridden projects in the country.

Police in Bridgeport - where 44 homicides have been reported so far this year and the latest seizure of cocaine totaled 150 pounds - said they would keep an eye out for the bears but were not making any promises.

''I didn't hear any APBs (all points bulletins) on the bears,'' said police Sgt. Albert Fedorek.

Milford police have not ruled out the possibility of another collector being involved in the theft, since the truck was not stripped and credit cards were

left inside the vehicle.

The Idemas, who gave up careers in data processing two months ago to peddle the bears, feared they could be in a dumpster, or for sale on a street corner for a few dollars each.

''I can't imagine that people know what they have there,'' said Ellen Idema, whose hobby of collecting bears led to the husband-and-wife business. ''We can't just pick up a phone and order them because they're one of a kind.''

About half the bears were the Steiff brand, the world's most elite. Most of the valuable bears have movable arms and legs, mohair fur and buttons in their ears.

The collection was only partially covered by insurance and without their stock the Idemas, who stopped in Milford after attending a teddy bear show in Baltimore, will have to shut down for a while.

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INGLEWOOD, Calif. (SEPT. 19) UPI - Horse-racing enthusiast Randall Hubbard, who holds nearly 10 percent of the companies that own and operate Hollywood Park race track, will try to oust chariman Marjorie Everett, a filing with Securities and Exchange Commission disclosed.

Hubbard, who owns Ruidoso Downs in Ruidoso, N.M., and Woodlands Race Track in Kansas City, said in a letter to the companies' directors that he should succeed the 68-year-old Everett before the next shareholders meeting, the SEC filing said Tuesday.

Hubbard, who is also the chairman of glassmaking concern AFG Industries of Dallas, said when he acquired his stake last month that he wanted to gain representation on the board of the companies - Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises Inc., which owns the track and 347 acres of surrounding land, and Hollywood Park Operating Co., which operates the track.

The companies' stocks are paired for trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

''It is my intention to devote substantial personal time and effort toward the revitalization of Hollywood Park,'' Hubbard said in the letter.

He also said that he hopes to avoid a proxy contest. A spokeswoman for Everett said she had no comment on the letter.

Hollywood Park has reported three consecutive years of losses totalling more than $27 million, stemming largely from its ill-fated attempt to expand into real estate development at the Los Alamitos race track in Cypress, Calif. It

eventually sold the property to a group that includes Hubbard.

However, the companies have earned $3.3 million during the first six months of this year.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - The Federal Reserve, in its regular ''beige book'' analysis of the economy, reported Wednesday weak and declining activity in many parts of the United States although some regions experienced modest growth.

''Weakness is most apparent in the northeastern and mid-Atlantic districts,'' the Fed said. ''Although patterns of consumer spending vary widely among districts, rates of increase are generally slowing.''

The data in the report is compiled by economists at the Federal Reserve's 12 district banks.

''The districts' assessments of manufacturing activity range from moderate expansion to absolute declines,'' the Fed said. ''Signs of a construction downturn are widespread, but not universal.

''The recent increase in oil prices has not affected domestic oil and gas drilling,'' the report added.

The economy-at-a-glace over the last several weeks as reported by Federal Reserve district:

BOSTON - Economic activity continued to slow. Most manufacturers are finding 1990 ''tougher than expected,'' and three-fourths have cut their employment levels. No improvement expected for six to 12 months.

NEW YORK - Unemployment rate below national average. Pace of office leasing considered healthy, but retail stores reported disappointing sales. Home builders saw no improvement in market conditions.

PHILADELPHIA - Economy slowing across the board. Factories trimming payrolls. Bankers reported decline in commercial and real estate lending. Businesses pessimistic despite outcome of Middle East crisis.

CLEVELAND - Economy expected to grow despite effects of oil shock. Manufacturers cautious about short-term prospects. Lending activity at banks and thrifts has slowed.

RICHMOND - Retail, tourist and manufacturing industries reported softening of business conditions. Higher oil prices pushed up costs for finished goods.

Demand for consumer loans fell slightly.

ATLANTA - Slower growth and cautious consumers caused retailers to reduce inventory orders. Auto sales remained soft. Consumer and real estate lending was weak, but a shortage of skilled workers was reported.

CHICAGO - More slow growth while consumer spending generally slowed. But construction and real estate activity remained healthier in the Midwest than in the rest of the country.

ST. LOUIS - Indications are the growth rate ''borders on zero.'' Employment has fallen, and retail sales were flat to up moderately. Manufacturing, construction and real estate have all weakened.

MINNEAPOLIS - Moderately good conditions reported. Tourist spending has been strong. Resource-related industries have been doing well, and in general the Iraq crisis has yet to hurt the region.

KANSAS CITY - Slow growth reported. Auto deals have slumped as some potential buyers find it difficult to finance purchases. Farm economy continues to improve and a bumper crop is expected in the autumn.

DALLAS - Higher oil prices stimulating increased production from existing wells, but there has been little new drilling. Rains have improved farm conditions. Auto sales improved slightly since early August.

SAN FRANCISCO - Economy growing at modest pace. Inflation remains in 5 percent range. Retail sales appeared to have softened. Real estate and construction cooling in coastal areas but strong inland.

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AMMAN, JORDAN (SEPT. 19) UPI - Jordan needs at least $1.5 billion in grants, soft loans and development aid this year to cope with the impact of the Persian Gulf crisis and the U.N.-imposed sanctions on Iraq, Finance Minister Basel Jardaneh said Wednesday.

Jardaneh also said Jordan would like ''more understanding'' towards the kingdom's foreign debts and help through debt reduction, in a reference to Jordan's $8.4 billion foreign debt.

''We feel debt rescheduling or debt refinancing is not suitable for us in the current circumstances,'' the minister said at a news conference.

He also warned Jordan had to receive a minimum of $1.5 billion in aid before the end of October or face serious economic damage amid the gulf crisis triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''We would like to see this amount coming in the form of grants - part of them to the budget, the other part to finance projects that would help overcome the difficulties that the private sector is facing,'' Jardaneh said. ''Another part can come in the form of soft loans, and the third part should come in the form of development loans.''

In a memorandum submitted to the United Nations last month, Jordan said it stood to lose as much as $4.1 billion as a result of the Persian Gulf crisisand the imposition of sanctions on Iraq - Jordan's main trading partner.

Jardaneh said, however, this amount did not include the private sector losses which he did not quantify.

The minister said there were good indications Japan, Germany and the European Community would provide immediate assistance to Jordan, but he did not cite any figures, saying it was too premature to discuss specifics.

Jardaneh said Jordan will continue to get Iraqi oil as an interim arrangement in the absense of suitable alternatives, saying it was not embargo busting.

He said Jordan had informed the U.N. of its intention to continue to get Iraqi oil, partly because the oil shipments trucked to Jordan represent Iraqi debt repayments and partly because Jordan had a special arrangement guaranteeing a price of not more than $16.4 per barrel.

The minister said there was no formal disapproval from the U.N.

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TORONTO (SEPT. 19) UPI - Canadian Autoworkers and Ford Motor Co. of Canada negotiators continued Wednesday talks on the company's lastest offer, as thousands of striking workers entered their fifth day on the picket line.

Ford Canada spokesman Jim Hartford said although there was a lot of activity at the bargaining table, economic differences between the two sides still exist.

Hartford said the company and union remained ''apart on many issues'' and characterized the talks as ''tough negotiating''.

CAW spokeswoman Peggy Nash said she didn't sense any bracing for a settlement by Thursday that could lead to ratification votes on the weekend and a return to work Monday.

Nash said the two sides had met Wednesday morning to work on non- economic issues, including health and safety, but the pace of the talks now depended on

committees examining local issues.

On Tuesday, CAW president Bob White said outstanding local issues, dealing with work practices at specific plants, could delay any deal reached at the main bargaining table.

White also said if a deal was not reached by Thursday to permit time for ratification votes this weekend, the strike could drag into next week.

Ford Canada's second monetary offer - presented Tuesday - was touted by its top negotiator Don McKenzie as a ''significant improvement'' over the first, but White only rated it a 4-1/2 out of 10.

White said the offer was ''short in every area'' and that ultimately a third offer would be needed before a settlement could be reached.

Almost 13,000 CAW members, who walked off their jobs at midnight last Friday, remained on the picket line.

The strike has closed nine Ford Canada plants in Ontario, affecting car and truck assembly plants in Oakville and St. Thomas and engine and castings plants in Windsor.

Ford's U.S. operations - principally assembly plants in Michigan, Chicago and Atlanta that depend on V-6 engines made in Windsor - could start to feel the effects of a strike by next week.

Ford Motor Co. spokesman Dick Routh said in a telephone interview from Dearborn, Mich. that, ''We have not notified any employees of layoffs as a result of the Canadian strike yet, but the clock is ticking.''

Routh said there were many variables to consider and wouldn't speculate on the strike's impact on any particular U.S. plant.

The union has focused on security against contracting work out and against technological changes, income security, better protection against plant closings and shorter work time. The CAW, which broke away from the United Auto Workers in 1986, also represents 36,500 General Motors Canada workers and 11,300 Chrysler Canada workers at various assembly and parts plants in Ontario and Quebec.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - The State Department said Wednesday that most Americans who can get out of Iraq and Kuwait have already left and the last evacuation flight of American women and children from Kuwait will leave Saturday.

One chartered plane was reported to be on the ground at Baghdad Wednesday with about 300 American women and children aboard, preparing to go to London, where the passengers were to spend the night.

They are then to be taken to to the Raleigh-Durham (N.C.) airport, arriving Thursday.

One more flight is tentatively scheduled to leave Kuwait Saturday, said State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler. With that flight, she said, the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait believes that every American who is able to leave and wants to leave will have been taken care of and there will be no more evacuation charter flights.

The State Department is putting out hourly messages over the Voice of America and the British Broadcasting Corp. urging American women to immediately contact the embassy if they wish to leave on the final evacuation charter flight.

So far, about 1,700 Americans, mainly women and children, have been airlifted out of Kuwait and Iraq since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraqi forces.

Tutwiler said that some women who are American citizens have decided to remain in Kuwait with their husbands.

According to State Department estimates, some 1,200 Americans remain in Kuwait and another 120 in Iraq, including diplomatic personnel in the embassies in Kuwait and Baghdad.

''Iraq's barbaric hostage-holding continues. Men from numerous countries are not being allowed to depart and obviously are being held there against their will. We and the rest of the international community will continue to press for the right of departure of all foreigners and for the release of those who the Iraqis detain,'' Tutwiler said.

It is estimated that 82 Americans are being held by Iraqi authorities, reportedly as human shields around military and industrial installations that might be targets of U.S. forces in case of an outbreak of hostility.

U.S. Embassy officials have had no access to any of the detainees for more than a week.

Tutwiler said the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait remains in business, although conditions are getting more difficult.

''We'll continue to be there as long as we can,'' she said.

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CAMP LEJEUNE, NC (SEPT. 19) UPI - Marines attacked a nameless town of freshly painted block buildings on the sandy coastal plain and the political message of the training battle was clear: It could have been Kuwait City or even Baghdad.

The Marine Corps, with a numbingly loud mock battle to liberate the town from rebels and evacuate civilians, baptized its newest urban warfare training center Tuesday. A senior defense planner who watched said it may become the premier training facility for all the services as attention shifts from the Cold War to Third World flare-ups like the Gulf crisis.

The battle, a carefully choreographed display of firepower and teamwork among riflemen, pilots, artillery teams and armored vehicle squads, was conducted before an audience of Pentagon leaders including the Marine Corps commandant, Gen. Alfred Gray, White House and National Security Council staffers, congressional aides, members of other branches of the armed forces and reporters.

And although the town of 31 buildings spread over 17 acres has no name other than its official Corps designation as the ''Military Operations in Urban Terrain'' training facility, it was clear the skills being taught young Marines could be used to attack or evacuate Kuwait City or even take the fight to Baghdad.

The skills, which Marines are taught in a three-week tour at the mock city, also are applicable in the coastal cities Marines would come upon after storming a beach or being dropped ashore elsewhere.

The city has office buildings, a three-story hotel, apartments that look like seaside condominiums, a school and gymnasium, a sports field, shopping mall, gas stations, a church and single family homes. It is loosely patterned after European cities with narrow streets, but it could be any town.

''Urban warfare is violent, difficult, slow and very intensive with respect to manpower and logistical support,'' Lt. Col. Bruce Gombar, commander of the 1st Battalion, 8th Marines, said before the facility was dedicated.

''This is going to make an enormous contribution,'' he said, toward preparing Marines for urban combat. ''We would like to avoid this kind of conflict ... bypass around these institutions, cities, towns, but you can't always do that. ... Our people simply must be second to none in dealing with this kind of environment.''

''We teach our warriors there is really no such thing as a permissive environment,'' he said.

While it may have no name, Marine planners were not without a sense of humor. The main drag is ''Mayberry Drive'' and the bridge leading over the ''river'' by the town is the ''Bea Taylor Memorial Bridge,'' fitting names in a state that was the locale of the ''Mayberry RFD'' and ''Andy of Mayberry'' television shows.

Inside the city, with visitors watching from atop the hotel, Alpha and Charlie companies attacked the resistance forces dug into the smouldering buildings in the town, surging forward on Gombar's command to ''launch the attack.''

As 155mm artillery shells screamed past to strike behind the enemy force, small arms fire opened and a solitary Marine scaled a corner drainpipe on a municipal building to drop lines for riflemen to climb to the roof. They then dropped down the lines to burst through windows into offices, eliminate the rebels and free civilians for evacuation by amored personnel carrier.

Within minutes, two enemy soldiers lay sprawled dead on the square before the church, told by their laser tagging devices they had been mortally wounded. Three more were hurled from their machine gun bunker atop the shopping mall by a well-placed grenade. But attacking Marines also took casualties, and the cries of several wounded brought armored vehicles racing to carry them away.

A CH-46 helicopter swooped in and more Marines slid down lines to land on the roof of the school. Overhead, AV-8B Harrier jets, A-4 bombers, OV-10 Broncos observation planes and Cobra helicopter gunships made strafing or bombing runs scouted enemy positions and relayed firing data to artillery crews.

When the fight was over, the civilians flown to safety and the prisoners marched off to a holding area, Sam Routson, mission activities director for the Pentagon's special operations office, said the Marine Corps could ''lead the way'' in urban warfare training.

He forecast that in time the other services, federal agencies such as the Drug Enforcement Administration and the FBI, and even foreign countries, would be lined up asking to use the $7.9 million city and six associated live fire assault courses for their own training.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 19) UPI - Electronic Data Systems Corp. Wednesday announced an alliance with Australia's Minicom to pursue information technology business in the mining, utility and petroleum industries.

The agreement provides for joint marketing activities and cooperation in development, implementation and customer training.

EDS will provide its systems integration and global communications

infrastructure to the alliance, while Mincom will offer a range of software products to meet the needs of businesses in mining, utility and petroleum.

The two may also offer their services to other companies in those industries.

''Through this relationship, energy companies, which often have remote operations, will have easy access to information tehnology applications designed specifically for their industry,'' said Gordon Jardine, Mincom's chief operating officer.

EDS Energy Division President Ken Scott said the alliance will add to his company's expertise and broaden its services.

Mincom specializes in integrated business applications for capital- intensive industries.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney plans to depart Thursday for a four-day trip to Spain and Portugal to meet with defense ministers and other government officials, the Pentagon said Wednesday.

He is scheduled to return to Washington Sept. 23.

Cheney had planned to stop in Spain and Portugal during a visit to other NATO countries in July but e cut short his trip to return to Washington to take part in budget negotiations.

Spain and Portugal are the only NATO countries Cheney has not visited as defense secretary.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Georgia Bonded Fibers (4th Q 6-30)	
$10,998,000	$12,888,000
$252,000 (.16)	$789,000 (.50)
Greenman Bros (2nd Q 8-4)	
$27,331,000	a-$24,429,000
bd-$995,000	d-$539,000

a-Restated to reflect discontinued operations.

bd-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

Henry Jack & Assoc (Year 6-30)
$9,818,0900 $9,682,000
a-$937,000 (.26) d-$302,000
a-Income from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

Manor Care Inc (1st Q 8-31)
$194,735,000 $173,082,000
$8,466,000 (.22) $6,637,000 (.17)

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SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 19) UPI - Mormon Church President Ezra Taft Benson, the 91-year-old spiritual leader of the world's 7.5 million Mormons, was undergoing surgery Wednesday to relieve a buildup of blood in his brain, officials said.

Church spokesman Don LeFevre said Benson ''has been diagnosed as having a subdural hematoma,'' and was going into surgery at 1 p.m. EDT. Benson was admitted to LDS Hospital Tuesday afternoon.

Neurosurgeon Bruce Sorensen was performing the operation, expected to take 2 1/2 hours, LeFevre said. The surgery generally is not considered dangerous, but doctors said Benson's age poses additional risks.

Mormons view their president as a prophet of God.

Benson served for eight years as agriculture secretary in the Eisenhower administration, the first Mormon to serve in a presidential cabinet and the first clergyman in 100 years.

As president of the Council of Twelve Apostles, Benson became the 13th leader of the Mormon Church on Nov. 10, 1985, following the death of 90-year-old Spencer W. Kimball.

Benson's family has been active and prominent in the Mormon Church since its founding. His great-grandfather, Apostle Ezra T. Benson, was one of the original Mormon pioneers who entered the Salt Lake Valley with Brigham Young in 1847.

Benson's parents were among the early settlers of southern Idaho, where he was born in the small town of Whitney on Aug.4, 1899.

Benson's most recent hospital stay lasted four days in June for treatment of a

bacterial infection.

In January 1986, two months after he assumed leadership of the church, Benson suffered dizzy spells and was hospitalized. In November 1986, he received a heart pacemaker.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 19) UPI - Atlanta's selection to stage the centennial Olympics in 1996 has triggered talk of a $1 billion television bonanza.

While the International Olympic Committee got down to more mundane matters following Tuesday night's vote, ringside interest Wednesday focused on dollars and cents.

Richard Pound, the IOC vice president from Canada and the driving force behind raising revenues, predicted exclusive U.S. rights would show a 50 percent hike on the $401 million NBC paid for the 1992 Barcelona Olympics.

In light of inflation and ''hype'' that can be expected in the United States, ''$600 million is not unthinkable,'' he said.

Ted Turner's Cable News Network, playing on its Atlanta home ground, will be heavily involved in the U.S. battle against ABC, CBS, NBC and Fox.

NBC has replaced ABC as the summer Olympics' flagbearer. ABC, which paid $225 million for the 1984 Los Angeles Summer Games, had a virtual monopoly until it pulled back, licking its wounds after being burned for around $60 million on its $309 million investment on the 1988 Calgary Winter Games.

NBC took the initiative, paying $301 million for the 1988 Seoul Olympics and then winning the battle for Barcelona.

Barcelona has already signed other TV contracts worth more than $200 million to add to the NBC pot.

The Olympics' share of television revenue is matched by marketing money, so Atlanta's potential contribution will add considerably to the $1.84 billion it expects to amass by the end of 1992 for the preceding four years.

While Atlanta celebrated, there was gloom and some recriminations in the camps of the five losing candidates - Athens, Greece; Belgrade, Yugoslavia;Manchester, England; Melbourne, Australia; and Toronto.

Athens, beaten by 51 votes to 35 by Atlanta in the fifth-round final ballot, hoped to sway IOC members with the attraction of holding the 100th anniversary of the Olympics in the city where the first modern Games was staged in 1896.

But despite promising to solve pollution problems and rebuild crumbling infrastructure, IOC members thought the risks outweighed historical arguments.

Two other factors tipped the scales against the Greek capital. Possible terrorism revived memories of the 1972 Munich massacre, and political instability threatened to derail preparations.

Greek opposition leader George Papandreou, a member of the Athens bidding committee, said: ''We're really disappointed. Our bid had more than sentiment behind it. We felt we had an extremely strong case.''

Melbourne also had that morning-after feeling. The Olympics have not been staged in the Southern Hemisphere since Melbourne hosted the 1956 Olympics. But Melbourne's battle cry of ''Time for another continent'' went unanswered, and the Australians went out in the third round, leaving Atlanta, Athens and Toronto to slug it out.

''This showed the geographical argument of spreading the Olympics around the world is a lost cause,'' said Melbourne delegate Jean Walsh. ''The Olympics is a North American event. Our bid was just as good, if not better, than Atlanta's.''

The IOC's Pound confirmed a North American coalition first eliminated Melbourne, then Athens. Seventeen of Toronto's 22 votes went to Atlanta after the Canadians exited in the fourth round.

''If Toronto had still been in there for the final round against Athens, we would have seen the same result,'' Pound said. ''One of the North Americans had to knock off Athens.''

Australian Kevan Gosper, a member of the IOC executive board, was stunned by the fluctation of the Melbourne vote, which polled 12 in the first round, 21 in the next and only 16 in the third.

But none of the losers denied the merit of Atlanta's bid.

Georgia's capital, which estimates it will cost $1.01 billion to stage the Games, has most of the facilities in place and has earmarked $418.4 million for other venues, including an 80,000-seat Olympic Stadium expected to cost $145.2 million to build.

Atlanta has estimated $587 million for U.S. television rights and is predicting a surplus of $157.1 million - 10 percent of which will go to the U.S. Olympic Committee, with the rest evenly split between the IOC and the organizing committee.

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#90262u1404 09/19/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - President Bush has nominated Adm. Charles Larson to be commander in chief of the U.S. Pacific Command in Hawaii, the Pentagon announced Wednesday.

He will replace Adm. Huntington Hardisty, whose future assignment has not been announced.

Larson, 53, born in Sioux Falls, S.D., is now serving in Hawaii as commander in chief of the U.S. Pacific Fleet.

The Pentagon said Bush has nominated Vice Adm. Robert Kelly, 52, to take Larson's place as commander in chief of the U.S. Pacific Fleet. He will be promoted to full admiral.

Kelly is presently the senior Navy member of the Military Staff Committee of the United Nations and deputy chief of naval operations for plans, policy and operations.

In a third assignment announcement, the Pentagon said Bush has nominated Vice Adm. William Smith to be the U.S. military representative to NATO.

Smith, 57, will be promoted to admiral. He also is a deputy chief of naval operations, for planning.

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BONN (SEPT. 19) UPI - The Social Democratic Party predicted Wednesday that the 1991 all-German budget will show a deficit of almost $100 billion, raising the total government debt to $774 billion.

Ingrid Matthaeus-Maier, the SPD's financial expert, said in a statement that the budget deficit of $96.7 billion will be six times higher than the 1989 deficit.

So far, West German Finance Minister Theo Waigel has only planned for a $64.5 billion deficit in 1991, leaving a $32.2 billion hole, she said.

Waigel has said he will release his 1991 budget plan soon after Oct. 3 German unification.

Matthaeus-Maier said West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's conservative government will obviously have to borrow the additional $32.2 billion.

The 1991 deficit will increase Germany's total debt by $129 billion to $774 billion, she said.

She pointed out that Germany will pay an additional $7.7 billion toward the withdrawal of Soviet troops from East Germany and $2 billion to support U.S. military operations in the Persian Gulf and the blockade against Iraq.

The SPD, the main opposition party, has demanded that Kohl's government tell voters how much unification will cost them. But Kohl said this could only be done after a full assessment of East Germany's economy has been completed after unification.

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PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (SEPT. 19) UPI - The crisis in the Persian Gulf and the skyrocketing price of oil are putting pressures on Czechoslovakia's free-market reforms as the country scrambles for hard currency to pay for imported fuel.

And staunch support for U.N. sanctions has prevented Czechoslovakia from collecting close to $1 billion owed it by Iraq.

''The more cash the Czechoslovaks use up to pay their oil bill, the less they'll have to pay their foreign debts, or to invest in their economy,'' Paris economist Khashayar Mahdavi says.

''With the oil price going up, these East European countries will really be in bad shape,'' says Mahdavi, a specialist on world debt with the international bank of Lazard Freres.

Czecholsovakia's economic problems have several causes. The Soviet Union, the country's sole oil supplier, has failed to ship more than over one-eighth of the oil it had contracted to deliver. This has forced the Czechoslovaks to buy oil for hard currency on the world market, and raise prices at home to cut consumption.

Effective Jan. 1, trade with the Soviet Union will have to be settled in hard currency, not in barter or soft East European currencies.

The rising price of oil means that for each dollar increase per barrel the country will need to generate $110 million in hard currency. This translates to close to $2 billion, according to senior Finance Ministry official Miroslav Zamecnik.

But the most immediate impact on Czechoslovakia is the $1 billion owed it by Iraq for construction projects, oil pumping stations and other trade contracts. Czechoslovakia's total foreign debt is $7.4 billion.

Some of Iraq's debt may be due on the 100 BMP-1 and BMP-2 armored personnel

carriers and other military equipment Czechoslovakia's previous Communist government sold to Iraq.

Czechoslovakia has turned down an Iraqi offer to pay back the debt in crude oil, rather than break the United Nations embargo. On Wednesday, Foreign Minister Jiri Dienstbier asked the European Community for economic aid to offset the problems caused by the Gulf crisis.

Czechoslvakia had contracted with the Soviets last year for 16.6 million tons of crude per year.

Czechoslvakia will need at least 14 million tons of oil in 1991. Trading sugar refineries and breweries to Mexico will offset some of demand for hard currency, but other oil producing countries, like Venezuela and Iran want cash.

And if the Soviet Union devalues the ruble under its new reform plan, Czechoslovakia's outstanding Soviet debt, worth almost 5 billion convertible rubles, will decline in value.

''One solution is to cut consumption and thus our import bill,'' says Zamecnik. ''The second solution is to increase exports of what we can sell to the western markets. Devaluation can help us here.''

The free-market reforms, scheduled to begin Jan. 1, could result in lower living standards. The country is looking at what economist Karel Kriz of the Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences calls an ''optimistic'' figure of a 5 percent real shrinkage in the economy in 1991, after years of stagnation and zero real growth.

The shrinkage is expected to weed out unprofitable enterprises, but if oil prices continue to soar it could go too far. The results: closing factories, worsening unemployment and inflation.

Mahdavi agrees that the Gulf crisis will not cripple Czecholsovakia and other emerging East European democracies.

''Western countries will realize that if they want to avoid a recession in Europe they will have to extend credit,'' to the East, he says. ''They are counting on East Europe to be their growth motor in the coming decade, and they want to avoid social unrest in the emerging democracies.''

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - The State Department says the last flight to evacuate American women and children from Kuwait will leave on Saturday. Spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler says there will be NO more evacuation charter flights after that. Tutwiler says the U-S Embassy in Kuwait believes that most Americans who

can get out of Iraq and Kuwait have already left. .

Jordan's foreign minister warned today that his country needs at least one-point-five-BILLION dollars in aid before the end of October or it faces serious economic damage. Jordan said last month that it stood to lose as much as four-BILLION dollars because of the Persian Gulf crisis and the U-N-imposed sanctions on Iraq- Jordan's main trading partner. .

Oklahoma Senator David Boren and the Saudi ambassador to the United States joined together to avert a Christmas holiday disaster. A Dallas newspaper had reported that Christmas cards mailed from home to American G-I's in Saudi Arabia might be banned because of strict Saudi customs laws. Now... because of the two officials' intervention... it appears U-S servicemen will get their cards after all.

West German officials say there will be NO more chemical weapons officially stored in Europe after tomorrow. They say the last of seven rail convoys of U-S chemical munitions arrived today in the West German port of Nordenham and will be shipped out tomorrow morning to be incinerated on the Johnston Atoll in the Pacific islands.

The Pentagon today notified Congress of its plan to sell missiles to Israel and Britain. A Pentagon statement says about 300 ''Sidewinder'' air-to-air dogfight missiles will be sold to Israel to augment its current inventory. Some 220 ''Sidewinders'' will be sold to Britain to install on its F-4 and Tornado fighters now in the Middle East.

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PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 19) UPI - A Butler County toddler, dragged from a porch and mauled by six Rottweiler dogs, was in critical condition Wednesday at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh after 12 1/2 hours of surgery.

A hospital spokeswoman said 2-year-old Steven Selfridge of Saxonburg suffered ''multiple injuries'' in the attack and physicians were concerned about battling infection. The surgery began at midnight and ended at about 12:30 p.m.

The boy survived the attack partly because of quick-thinking by his 11-year-old aunt, Jamie Ross, who frantically tried to stop the pack of dogs by spreading her body across her unconscious nephew.

''She's the hero here,'' said Chris Jones, a paramedic with Butler Ambulance Service, the first rescuer on the scene.

''At one point, she tried to cover the little boy with her body,'' Jones said. ''When she saw that wasn't going to work, she ran into the house and called 911.''

The girl was treated at Butler Memorial Hospital for a fractured wrist, cuts and bruises.

Jones' supervisor credited the paramedic with using ingenuity to separate the dogs. He donned protective gear, climbed a four-foot chain- link fence and blasted the dogs with a carbon dioxide fire extinguisher.

Authorities said the two children were unattended at the Butler Township home of Steven's grandmother when the attack occurred just before 7 p.m. Tuesday. Their mothers were visiting the grandmother, who was hospitalized after an earlier heart attack.

Police said one of the Rottweilers dragged Steven from the back porch, then the other dogs joined in. Police considered shooting the dogs to disperse them but could not get clear line of fire.

The dogs, owned by an aunt of the victim and being cared for by the grandmother, were placed under a 15-day quarantine and would be transferred to an animal control shelter, Police Chief Gary Garman said.

Garman said police were investigating possible zoning law violations for the number of dogs kept in the backyard pens but family concerns could preclude the filing of charges.

''It's all in the family and that creates a problem,'' Garman said. ''You can't go stepping on too many toes right now because everybody's concerned and they're all at the hospital.

''The biggest thing now is the 2-year-old - to do what they can for him. The other part is the grandmother,'' he said. ''We can handle this (investigation) anywhere down the line as long as we retain custody of the dogs.''

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - The Senate Agriculture Committee voted today to supply full funding for fiscal 1991 to the federally subsidized crop insurance program. The action challenges an earlier House vote to only give enough money to cover policies sold by September 30th. That, in effect, would have shut down the program.

The Coast Guard continues to search Atlantic Ocean waters off Massachusetts today for two crew members aboard a fishing vessel that sank last night 30 miles east of Nantucket Island. Nine other sailors aboard the 87-foot Aristocrat were tossed into the water but rescued.

Canadian army officials say shotguns, rifles and handguns were among the

weapons seized from a Mohawk reserve south of Montreal. They will publicly display the weapons later today. Yesterday's search sparked the most violent clash yet between troops and Indians in the standoff over a land dispute that began in mid-July.

Leaders of Bulgaria's revamped Communist Party say it's expected to retain complete control of the government under a new Cabinet. That Cabinet is expected to be named within 24 hours. The Socialists- as the Bulgarian ex-communists now call themselves- have been unable to form a coalition with the major opposition parties.

Quick intervention by police prevented two high-caste university students in New Delhi from burning to death today. The students doused themselves with kerosene and set themselves afire to protest a government plan to reserve some federal jobs for lower-caste people. The plan has sparked demonstrations elsewhere in India.

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DAMASCUS, Syria (SEPT. 19) UPI - A British Airways airliner crossed Syrian air space Wednesday for the first time since London broke off diplomatic relations with Damascus nearly four years ago, government sources said.

The airliner was carrying a shipment of food and medicine to refugees stranded in Jordan after they fled Iraq and Kuwait following the Aug. 2 invasion of the emirate.

Diplomatic sources said the decision to allow the British airliner to cross into Syria was a signal that relations between the two countries are improving. Syria has strongly denounced the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and has sent troops to the Gulf to serve with Western forces.

''The airliner was allowed to cross the Syrian air space out of humanitarian considerations,'' a Syrian official told United Press International.

He said the decision was made after British Airways contacted the Syrian Foreign Ministry.

The action came a day after British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd signalled that London may consider renewing its ties with Damascus.

''I would like to get back to reasonable relations with Syria,'' Hurd said during a news conference in Paris Tuesday.

Hurd also said he would endorse an agreement under which the European Community would give financial assistance to Syria. The EC considered the plan at one of its meetings last week.

Hurd's statements appeared to be another sign that relations could be restored although he hinted that Syria would need to change its stance on one major issue.

''There is an obstacle in the way that has nothing to do with the gulf conflict, and so the obstacle is there, but if we can find a way round it, a way through it, a way of overcoming it, well and good,'' Hurd said.

The obstacle to which Hurd was referring was believed to be Syria's refusal to formally declare that it will distance itself from what Britain regards as international terrorist groups, the British Broadcasting Corp. reported.

The BBC said Syrians, however, want London to make the first move toward restoring ties.

Britain broke diplomatic ties with Syria and closed its embassy in Damascus Oct. 31, 1986 after an attempt to bomb an El Al jet in London and allegations Syria was promoting acts of international terrorism. The European Community also imposed limited sanctions at the time.

Nezar Hindawi, now 35, a Jordanian, was convicted of trying to plant a bomb on an El Al jumbo jet with 375 people aboard at London's Heathrow airport on April 17, 1986. He was sentenced to 45 years in prison for giving his pregnant Irish girlfriend, Anne-Marie Murphy, a bag rigged with a bomb.

As Murphy was about to board the Boeing 747 when the bomb containing 3 1/4 pounds of Semtex plastic explosive was discovered by an El Al security guard.

Hindawi, who had told Murphy he would meet her in Israel where they would be married, denied the charges and said he was a victim of an Israeli conspiracy to discredit Syria. He said he thought the bag contained drugs not explosives.

Prosecutors said Hindawi was a member of the Jordanian Revolutionary Movement recruited by Syrian military intelligence to carry out an attack against an Israeli target.

Britain had said there was conclusive evidence of official Syrian involvement in the plot. In a show of support, the United States and Canada withdrew their ambassadors from Damascus.

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MIAMI BEACH, FL (SEPT. 19) UPI - Victor Posner, the reclusive financier ordered in 1988 to help the homeless as part of his sentence on tax evasion charges, committed another one of his companies to the cause Wednesday.

Posner, who controls a number of businesses through his holding companies, told reporters gathered at his beachfront offices that he has directed Arby's Inc. of Atlanta to join the effort begun last year by Royal Crown Cola Co.

The multimillionaire controls both companies.

''There must be a united effort against this problem in America,'' Posner said. ''We remain committed to the leadership role we have taken in this effort.''

Posner read from a prepared statement before presenting a check for $607,000 to Mindy Kaufman of the Shelter Partnership in Los Angeles.

The money will benefit the National Coalition for the Homeless and 10 Los Angeles shelters, Kaufman said.

Posner, who refused to take questions from assembled reporters, said the money was raised by ticket sales and broadcast rights to the Roy Orbison Tribute Concert staged in February in Los Angeles.

Royal Crown Cola sponsored the concert at a cost of $3.5 million.

Royal Crown Cola has raised $1.2 million to help the homeless since Posner first announced the program in February 1989. The company and 14 of its largest bottlers previously donated $614,000 to the cause.

Royal Crown Cola spokesman Phil Dudek said the company is working to expand that program to 214 bottlers. The expanded program and the effort by Arby's will begin in 1991, he said.

The companies' effort are independent of Posner's sentence on tax charges.

In February 1988, U.S. District Judge Eugene Spellman sentenced Posner to five years probation on tax fraud charges, and directed the multimillionaire to spend at least $3 million and 5,000 hours of his time to help the homeless.

Posner pleaded no contest to 10 counts of tax fraud, after being charged with cheating the government out of taxes on land he donated to Miami Christian College.

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (SEPT. 19) UPI - U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills rejected Wednesday as insufficient a new proposal to reduce farm subsidies being considered by the European Community.

Agriculture supports are the crucial issue in the current round of

trade-liberalization talks in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

The proposal debated Wednesday night by the EC executive commission would cut farm subsidies by 30 percent over a 10-year period beginning in 1986. The concept was recently floated by EC Agriculture Commissioner Ray MacSharry.

Hills rejected the MacSharry proposal as a ''very, very small'' cut in agriculture supports, of only 10 percent from current levels, because farm subisidies in 1986 were at a ''very high level.''

The United States will propose to GATT later this month a proposal to cut domestic supports and tarriffs by up to 70 percent, and to slash export subsidies by somewhat more than 70 percent over a 10-year period.

The visit by Hills to Brussels, where she addressed the European Parliament, highlighted the huge gap separating the U.S. and EC positions.

Hills and MacSharry met on Tuesday night and discussed the new U.S. proposal.

''I didn't discern a lot of enthusiasm, but I think he listened to what I said '' Hills said. ''He did not like the specific commitments in the three areas. He said there was not enthusiasm among European farmers for those sorts of reforms at this particular time.''

The current round of GATT talks are known as the Uruguay Round after the country in which they began four years ago. The round is slated to conclude in Brussels in December, but the United States is concerned the entire proceedings could collapse over the agriculture issue and set off an international trade free-for-all.

''The economic costs of a failed round will be staggering,'' Hills said in her speech to the European Parliament. ''Across the board, the cost of competition will increase. Together, we will lose $300 billion in increased output we expect to gain from more liberal access to foreign markets.''

GATT currently covers only merchandise, and not services or agriculture.

Developing nations which produce farm products cheaply seek an open world market in agriculture, while the West seeks free-trade rules on services and intellectual property, such as copyright.

Without meaningful reduction of farm supports, Hills says, some 50 to 60 countries would walk away from the table, ''and the Uruguay Round will fail for lack of critical participation.''

The EC says its millions of small farmers need continued agricultural supports to protect Europe's heritage and rural way of life.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - High doses of a synthetic form of vitamin A appear effective in reducing the number of tumors in people with cancers of the head and neck, researchers said Wednesday.

The results of a study involving use of isotretinoin, or retinoic acid, in people who had been treated for cancers of the mouth, larynx and pharynx suggest that the substance may prove effective in preventing cancer among certain high-risk groups, such as smokers, said Dr. Waun Ki Hong of the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston.

Of 49 people who had undergone treatment for tumors in the head and neck area and received daily oral doses of retinoic acid during a one- year period, only two - or 4 percent - experienced so-called secondary tumors, Hong and co-researchers reported in The New England Journal of Medicine.

By contrast, they said 12 people - 24 percent - of 51 members of a comparison group who were given a worthless substitute had secondary tumors.

''This is a very early study that provides some promising new leads in cancer research and opens up the possibility of new approaches in the prevention of primary and secondary cancers,'' said Hong.

However, he emphasized that retinoic acid, which is also used to treat a type of severe acne, did not prevent the recurrence of the original tumors in those studied and in high doses caused toxic side effects such as skin dryness and conjunctivitis.

''The next step is to see whether retinoic acid can be part of a strategy for preventing primary cancer. We also want to know whether low doses can be effective, so patients can take it on a long-term basis,'' Hong said.

Researchers do not know why retinoic acid has an anti-cancer effect, but they think it may it may in some way regulate cell proliferation in epithelial, or skin surface, tissue in some areas of the body such as the mouth, he said.

There are an estimated 43,000 new cases of head and neck cancers in the United States annually and more than 12,000 deaths. Tobacco use is a factor in most cases, Hong said, and 90 percent of those in the study were smokers or former smokers.

Even after successful radiation or surgical treatment of tumors in those with head and neck cancer, up to 50 percent experience a recurrence and between 10 percent and 40 percent develop secondary tumors, the study noted.

The cancer patients included in the new study ranged in age from 31 to 73.

There were 78 men and 22 women. Fifteen of the 49 people given retinoic acid experienced a recurrence of their original cancers as opposed to 17 of the 51 given the substitute.

Those who received the retinoic acid initially were given 100 milligrams per square meter of body surface daily, but because of the high frequency of side effects, the dose was cut in half partway through the study, he said.

In another study appearing in the journal, Dr. E. Robert Greenberg of Dartmouth University Medical School in Hanover, N.H., and co-researchers said daily doses of beta carotene, another form of vitamin A, appeared ineffective in preventing new occurrences of non-melanoma skin cancers in people who had undergone skin cancer treatment.

The scientists said there was no significant difference in the rate of new skin cancers among 913 people who received beta carotene during a five-year period and 892 people given an inactive substitute.

In an editorial accompanying the two studies, Dr. Frank Meyskens Jr. of the University of California-Irvine said an explanation for the differing results may lie in the fact that animal studies suggest that ''beta carotene is a weak anti-carcinogen, whereas isotretinoin is a potent inhibitor of cancer formation.''

However, Meyskens added that because other recent research found that beta carotene apparently could in some cases reverse a precancerous condition in humans, other explanations also should be sought.

Meyskens noted there are currently 12 large studies underway in the United States and five in other countries testing beta carotene, retinoic acid and other compounds in more 100,000 people at high risk for cancers of the skin, colon, cervix, breast and lungs.

''If even a few provide positive results, the manner in which we view the management of cancer is likely to undergo a fundamental change,'' he said.

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PORTLAND, OR (SEPT. 19) UPI - The House approved legislation Wednesday authored by Rep. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., requiring new safety measures for high-level nuclear waste tanks at Washington's Hanford Nuclear Reservation, the lawmaker said.

Safety experts fear the storage tanks hold potentially explosive combinations of radioactive chemicals, Wyden said.

The legislation, added to a Defense Department authorization bill, requires

the Energy Department to identify within 90 days which tanks have a ''serious potential'' for explosive accidents that could release radiation. Adding waste to problem tanks would be banned unless no safer alternative exists.

The amendment also requires that the department draw up emergency contingency plans dealing with tank safety.

The legislation follows recent revelations about the Hanford tank farms. In a July letter to the secretary of energy, the department's safety advisory committee called the waste tanks a ''serious problem'' and warned that ''the possibility of an explosion ... must be taken seriously because of the magnitude of the radioactive inventory available for disposal.''

The measure would require a report to Congress within six months on new tank safety measures, including a timetable for solving waste- handling problems.

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MEXICO CITY (SEPT. 19) UPI - A senior free trade negotiator, outlining Mexican goals in upcoming free trade accord talks with the United States, said Wednesday oil matters will be non-negotiable and the sticky issue of illegal labor movement is not planned for the agenda.

''It is not going to be immigration negotiations. We are not looking for an agreement that would allow free movement of workers across the border,'' said Jaime Zabludovsky, coordinator general of the free trade accord (FTA) department of the Mexican Commerce Ministry.

U.S. officials have said Mexico would like to include labor as service during the upcoming free trade negotiations and that Washington's response to that would be negative. Over 1 million Mexicans work in the United States illegally.

''Mexico does not want to export workers, but wants to export goods ... We want to provide them the opportunity to work here. We would not put on the table the idea that the FTA should lift all immigration barriers,'' Zabludovsky said.

He said Mexico will pursue three main objectives in the free trade negotiations - greater access to U.S. markets, ''the fullest elimination'' of tariff and non-tariff barriers and the establishment of a mechanism to resolve bilateral trade disputes.

''We are looking forward to a full phased-out elimination of tariffs in bilateral trade,'' Zabludovsky told United Press International in an interview. ''There are still sectors that are protected in the United States.''

He said such sectors include agriculture, steel, textile, apparel and glass,

among others.

Zabludovsky said that although Mexico and the United States - whose bilateral trade exceeds $50 billion a year - have very close economic ties, the United States imposes import quotas on several goods, such as textile.

In addition, there are many Mexican agricultural products that cannot be exported to the United States because of sanitary and other conditions imposed by the U.S. government, Zabludovsky said.

''We will try to negotiate a mechanism to solve bilateral trade disputes and disagreements,'' Zabludovsky said. ''Because of the huge (bilateral) trade, it is natural to expect daily problems.''

The formal free trade negotiations are expected to start around June and will include trade barriers, tariffs, investments, goods, services, copyrights and trademarks.

Zabludovsky said Mexico would not negotiate petroleum in the free trade talks.

''Obviously, oil and energy is an important and worrisome issue in the United States,'' Zabludovsky said. ''But there are some sectors that are exclusively reserved for the state by the Constitution,'' and they cannot be negotiated. He said oil, other hydrocarbons and basic petrochemicals are reserved for the Mexican state.

''Mexico has been a reliable supplier of oil to the United States and perhaps that will be stressed during the negotiations,'' Zabludovsky said.

Mexico, the world's seventh largest oil producer, exports about 1.3 million barrels of oil daily. About 60 percent of that amount is shipped to the United States.

''The FTA is a logical step ahead in structural economic changes and adjustments being made in the Mexican economy,'' Zabludovsky said, referring to current liberalization and opening of the economy to foreign goods and investment.

''There has been a demand for free trade negotiations by Mexican producers ''Zabludovsky said. ''We feel that Mexico should take advantage of its geographical location.''

Mexico, which shares a 1,933-mile-long border with its northern neighbor, is the third largest trading partner of the United States.

It might take between three and four years for the FTA to go into effect, Zabludovsky said, adding that such an accord will benefit both economies.

He said after Mexico and the United States sign the free trade agreement, it may be possible to establish a North American free trade zone that would include Canada, Mexico, and the United States.

Canada has already signed a free trade agreement with the United States.

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FREETOWN, SIERRA LEONE (SEPT. 19) UPI - The commanding general of the five-nation West African peacekeeping force is to be replaced after his troops failed to protect the late Liberian President Samuel Doe, diplomatic sources said Wednesday.

Major Gen. Arnold Quainoo, the Ghanaian who took the peacekeeping force sponsored by the Economic Community of West African States into the Liberian capital of Monrovia in August, is expected to be replaced by a Nigerian, Col. Benjamin Adekunle.

Col. Adekunle conducted the government forces during Nigeria's bitter Biafra war in 1967-8.

The replacement of Quainoo is believed to have been decided after the general's failure to prevent Liberian rebel leader Prince Johnson from attacking the ECOWAS forces headquarters in Monrovia last week and arresting Doe.

ECOWAS troops are said to have stood and watched while Doe and his entourage were attacked by Johnson's forces. Doe was taken to Johnson's camp where he later died from his wounds. Peacekeeping forces in Liberia let rebel troops arrest refugees from the dead president's tribe as they tried to flee the county, refugees who managed to escape said Wednesday.

More than 1,080 members of Doe's Krahn tribe were in Monrovia port Tuesday when rebel forces led by Johnson arrived accompanied by Ghanaian soldiers from the West African peacekeeping force and took over 108 away in trucks, the refugees who arrived in Freetown said.

The Krahn refugees had been escorted from the presidential mansion by ECOWAS troops to the port last week.

Among those taken away were the former Deputy Police Director Peter Thomas, the Customs and Excise Director Sam Tody, and the late President Doe's interpreter Thomas Koryeyon. The three are all members of Doe's Krahn tribe.

The Krahn have become the victims of rebel slaughter by both Johnson's troops and forces loyal to the rebel leader Charles Taylor.

The rebel killings are in revenge for the government slaying of hundreds of members of the Gio and Mano tribes, over 600 of whom were massacred in a Monrovia church in August.

ECOWAS forces from five West African countries stood and watched as Johnson's men walked through the crowd at the port, accused over 100 men of being soldiers or government officials, then took them to Johnson's base on the outskirts of Monrovia.

One refugee who escaped Johnson's men and made his way to Freetown described the what happened.

''I was selected by Prince Johnson's men and was taken outside. When I got outside the warehouse where we were being kept, more of Prince Johnson's men were outside. I walked up to one of them and took him by the hand and asked if I could go back inside the warehouse where the other people were, and he said I could. That was how I managed to escape being taken away,'' said James Youbouty, age 27.

''Prince Johnson didn't want any of the people to leave Monrovia on the ECOWAS boat which was in the port. But eventually 32 of us just managed to sneak onto the boat before it left on Tuesday. That was how we got away, but our departure was secret and we left over 900 people behind.

''ECOWAS is supposed to be protecting us, but they didn't do anything about preventing Prince Johnson from taking those people away. And Prince Johnson wants to hold the people hostage. He doesn't want anybody to live,'' he said.

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BY LEE STOKES - UPI

CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 19) UPI - Syrian President Hafez Assad's first trip to Tehran since the Iranian revolution was expected to set new ground rules for their shaky alliance in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The ground rules were expected to have repercussions on U.S. policy in the region as well as for the future of the pro-Kuwaiti Arab camp.

Assad was expected to test the waters in Tehran about a permanent Syrian role in the Persian Gulf to replace U.S.-led multinational ''
theecause the Iranians are an important party to the whole process,'' he added. ''The Iranians don't want to leap on a pro-Western bandwagon and they don't want to see the Gulf become a U.S. protectorate.''

Arab news reports said Assad would also ask Iran to send troops to Saudi

Arabia.

Saudi Arabia has not rejected the idea of troops from Iran - a country with which the kingdom broke off diplomatic relations - joining the multinational force, and has also asked the Soviet Union to send ground troops to the region.

Syria has sent thousands of troops to help defend Saudi Arabia against Iraqi aggression, thus creating for itself instant popularity in the United States, Saudi Arabia and Egypt - despite its record of assisting radical Arab groups.

Although the United States has put Damascus on its list of states supporting terrorism, during a recent visit to the Syrian capital, Secretary of State James Baker made it clear that Syria had a key role to play in the crisis stemming from Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''I don't think anything heightens more the isolation of Saddam Hussein in the Arab world than Syrian involvement,'' Baker said during the visit.

Syrian government officials dismiss Western charges of supporting terrorism and remain coy about the agenda of Assad's talks in Tehran, simply making the point that it was pragmatist President Ali-Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani and not the Iraq-leaning spiritual leader Ayatollah Khamenei who invited Assad.

Khamenei has recently called for a holy war against U.S. forces in the gulf region.

But analysts say Syria is worried that a new Iran-Iraq axis will hurt it.

''The Syrians are very frightened of Iraq,'' said David Butter, news editor of the London-based specialist weekly Middle East Economic Digest. ''(Assad) may seek reassurances (in Tehran) that Iran is not teaming up with Iraq.''

During the early years of the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war, Syria and Iran shared a mutual hatred of Saddam Hussein and developed a close economic and political relationship. But the end of that war and Iraq's capitulation last month to Iran's terms for a comprehensive peace settlement have deprived Syria and Iran of a good reason for their shaky alliance.

''The Syrians realized their relationship with a non-Arab country such as Persian Iran was flawed from the beginning and that both sides shared different interests,'' said Ian Jones, a Cairo-based writer on Middle East affairs.

Assad's visit comes at a time when his economic relationship with Iran has reached an all-time low.

''The Iranian-Syrian economic agreement flourished for the first four years of a 10-year agreement signed in 1982, but then deteriorated sharply over

disagreements on Lebanon,'' Butter said. ''Also, world oil prices fell making the price Iran was charging Syria for oil less attractive.''

Butter said trade between the two countries slumped in 1988, the last year for which figures are available, to $140 million compared to more than $1 billion in 1985.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (SEPT. 19) UPI - A team of independent NASA engineers began gathering Wednesday at the Kennedy Space Center for exhaustive tests to pin down the source of a crippling fuel leak that has indefinitely grounded the shuttle Columbia.

So far this summer, Columbia's repeated launch delays and a series of fueling tests with both Columbia and the shuttle Atlantis have cost NASA more than $3.8 million and wrecked the space agency's launch schedule, raising questions about the program's ability to meet a productive flight rate.

More important, perhaps, is the potential impact of the delays on the credibility of NASA management, which has repeatedly promised success but has failed to deliver.

Yet another fueling test for Columbia, using television cameras and other sensors in the shuttle's engine room to sniff out the leak once and for all likely will be delayed to at least the middle of next week because of work to replace an apparently faulty valve and part of a fuel line, engineers said.

In the meantime, engineers are pressing on with plans to launch the shuttle Discovery Oct. 5 from nearby pad 39B to carry the Ulysses solar probe into space. Because NASA managers do not believe they are faced with a generic problem, it is unlikely Discovery will be subjected to a fueling test.

Once the Ulysses mission is away, Columbia is expected to be moved from pad 39A to Discovery's pad so the shuttle Atlantis can be hauled out to pad 39A for launch later this fall on a military mission that was grounded in July by yet another hydrogen leak.

At a loss to pinpoint the leaks grounding Columbia, NASA managers have set up a team of agency engineers to study the problem at the Kennedy Space Center, independent of the normal shuttle program chain of command. Panel chairman Robert Schinghamer arrived at the launch site Wednesday.

The leaks only show up in the presence of supercold liquid hydrogen rocket fuel at minus 423 degrees and the first item on the agenda for the leak team is to conduct another fueling test.

This time around, television cameras and other sensors will be mounted in Columbia's engine compartment in the most exhaustive attempt yet to sniff out leaking hydrogen so Columbia can be repaired and launched on an astronomy mission originally scheduled for May 30.

NASA managers had hoped to conduct the fueling test as early as Sunday.

But the exercise is expected to be delayed until at least the middle of next week and possibly longer, engineers say, because of work to replace a main engine fuel valve and a vacuum-jacketed hydrogen line leading to one of three fuel recirculation pumps.

The faulty valve apparently remained stuck open for 10 minutes during fueling Monday night before finally accepting a ''close'' command. The problem did not cause the fuel leak, but the only other such valves currently available are installed aboard the new shuttle Endeavour.

Removing a valve from Endeavour and installing it aboard Columbia will take additional time and likely require a pre-tanking leak test using helium to make sure the replacement hardware is leak free prior to the test.

Columbia originally was scheduled for blastoff May 30, but the ship was grounded the night before during fuel loading when sensors detected explosive hydrogen gas leaking into the shuttle's engine room.

A subsequent tanking test June 6 led engineers to believe the leak involved a massive 17-inch-wide fuel line fitting. As a result, Columbia was hauled off the launch pad and back to its hangar for repairs.

NASA then proceeded with plans to launch Atlantis in July, but another hydrogen leak showed up during a tanking test June 29. Two additional tests were conducted before Atlantis was hauled of the pad and replaced Aug. 9 by Columbia, equipped with a new fuel line ''disconnect'' fitting.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 19) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)				
Sep 2.58	2.58 3/4	2.56 1/2	2.57 1/2	2.59 1/2
Dec 2.73	2.74 3/4	2.69	2.69 1/4	2.75
Mar 2.88 1/2	2.89 1/4	2.83 1/2	2.85 1/2	2.89 1/2
May 2.96 1/2	2.97 1/2	2.91 1/4	2.93	2.97 1/2
Jly 3.01 1/2	3.03	2.98	2.98 1/4	3.03

Sep	3.06	3.06	3.03	3.03	3.08

Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	2.37	2.37	2.32 1/2	2.34 1/2	2.37
Dec	2.25	2.25 1/2	2.22	2.22 1/4	2.26
Mar	2.35 3/4	2.35 3/4	2.32	2.32 1/4	2.36
May	2.41 1/2	2.41 3/4	2.38 1/4	2.38 1/2	2.42 1/2
Jly	2.45 3/4	2.46	2.42 1/2	2.42 3/4	2.46 3/4
Sep	2.46	2.46	2.41 1/2	2.41 3/4	2.46 1/4
Dec	2.47	2.47	2.43 1/4	2.43 1/2	2.47 1/2

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	1.10 1/2	1.10 1/2	1.06 3/4	1.10	1.10 3/4
Dec	1.19	1.19	1.16	1.16 1/4	1.19
Mar	1.29 1/2	1.29 1/2	1.26 3/4	1.27	1.29 1/2
May	1.36	1.36	1.34 1/4	1.34 1/4	1.36 1/2
Jly	1.42 1/2	1.42 1/2	1.40 1/4	1.40 1/2	1.42 1/2

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Sep	6.20	6.20	6.11	6.12 1/2	6.22 1/2
Nov	6.31	6.31 1/2	6.17	6.17 3/4	6.33 1/4
Jan	6.45	6.46	6.31 1/2	6.32 1/4	6.48
Mar	6.57 1/2	6.58	6.44 1/2	6.45 1/4	6.60 1/4
May	6.67 1/2	6.68	6.54 1/2	6.55	6.70
Jly	6.75	6.75 1/2	6.61 1/2	6.62	6.76
Aug	6.67	6.67	6.56 1/2	6.56 1/2	6.68
Sep	6.45	6.45	6.35	6.35	6.45
Nov	6.36 1/2	6.36 1/2	6.27	6.27 1/4	6.36 1/2

Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Sep	23.75	23.78	23.54	23.62	23.76
Oct	23.80	23.83	23.42	23.43	23.84
Dec	23.97	23.99	23.60	23.61	24.04
Jan	24.20	24.20	23.85	23.88	24.25
Mar	24.45	24.50	24.15	24.17	24.51
May	24.70	24.70	24.40	24.40	24.70
Jly	24.75	24.75	24.45	24.48	24.75
Aug	24.50	24.55	24.35	24.40	24.67
Sep	24.30	24.50	24.30	24.35	24.59

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Sep	184.00	184.00	180.40	180.70	184.20
Oct	184.80	184.80	180.00	180.10	185.00
Dec	188.20	188.50	183.60	183.90	188.80
Jan	189.80	189.80	185.30	185.40	189.80
Mar	192.50	192.50	188.50	188.50	192.60
May	192.50	193.00	189.50	189.60	193.80
Jly	193.50	194.50	191.00	191.00	195.00

Aug	193.00	193.00	190.00	190.00	193.20
Sep	191.00	191.00	190.00	190.00	192.20
Oct	188.00	188.00	186.50	186.50	187.70
Dec	187.50	187.50	187.50	187.50	187.70

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PIQUA, OH (SEPT. 19) UPI - A Florida manufacturer Wednesday offered to replace the buckles on up to 3 million child safety seats that have popped up when improperly fastened.

Robert Potter, a lawyer for Evenflo Juvenile Furniture Co. of Tampa, said the company would replace buckles for car seats manufacturered between April 15, 1985, and April 22, 1990, at its Piqua, Ohio, plant and other locations.

The defective buckles do not meet federal ''partial engagement'' standards that require that an improperly closed buckle release with no more than five pounds of force, Potter said. Tests have shown that some Evenflo buckles require eight pounds of force to be released, he said.

The safeguard is aimed at making it readily apparent if a buckle is not closed Potter said.

Potter said the company does not feel any legal claims filed against the company are related to the buckles.

Consumers with child restraint seats with black buckles and red push buttons were asked to call 800-837-8926 to determine if the seat is affected by the recall, Potter said.

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BUCHAREST, ROMANIA (SEPT. 19) UPI - The Romanian government has abandoned the idea of creating a mixed economy in favor of a more radical shift to a free market, a top financial official said Wednesday.

In a sharp break from the rhetoric of President Ion Iliescu's campaign speeches, which advocated a mixed economy and warned ''the market economy is not necessarily a good idea,'' Minister for Reform Adrian Severin told an international conference a ''mixed system is impossible to create.''

''There are only two systems for organizing the economy - a centralized one and a market one - which can't stand each other,'' Severin said. ''Our option has to be one or the other, and of course we've chosen the market system.''

Speaking to a conference of economic ministers from the Soviet Union, Bulgaria

Poland, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Hungary, Severin said radical change was necessary, even though it may be unpopular.

''It's difficult for us to expect enthusiasm for reform from'' ordinary working men and women, Severin said. But he added: ''We want to avoid mistakes the others have already made.''

Severin refused to assign the label ''shock therapy'' to Romania's economic plan, but said market-oriented reforms would be applied to all levels of the economy.

But he added the government also was considering freezing the prices of about 80 key products in an attempt to soften the impact of the reforms.

Romania revolted against the hard-line Stalinist government last December. The new government, led by Iliescu, has advocated a mixture of free economic policies and social programs for the poor.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 19) UPI - Computer reseller Businessland Inc. said Tuesday it would lay off 370 workers, or about 10 percent of the company's work force, in a cost-cutting move aimed at reversing three straight quarters of losses.

The company said it would close money-losing retail subsidiary ComputerCraft and merge the unit's 16 stores into the Businessland chain, which sells computers primarily to large corporations.

David Norman, chairman and chief executive officer, said the layoffs would save an estimated $12 million a year, after a $1 million charge for severance costs to be taken against results for the company's fiscal 1991 first quarter.

It was the third reorganization this year at Businessland, which has been battered on Wall Street for its failure to stem mounting losses. In the year ended June 30, the company posted a loss of $23.1 million on sales of $1.35 billion.

In January, the company laid off about 200 people, representing then about 5 percent of the work force. In April, 18 workers were laid off in Britain and management of the ComputerCraft chain was reshuffled.

Businessland, which has been hurt in part by lower profit margins for computers, also said it would reduce inventories by $50 million, or about 18 percent, this quarter. Norman estimated the reduction would save Businessland about $5 million a year.

Norman would not estimate how long it would take to return the 8- year-old company to profitability.

''This is a very large tanker, and it is hard to turn it like a speedboat,'' he said. ''We've clearly grounded ourselves on a shoal and we're trying to get off it.''

The price of Businessland's stock was down 12.5 cents at $2.375 a share in early afternoon trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

Norman, who has been criticized by some analysts for his management skills, said he was not considering appointing a chief operating officer to help in day-to-day operations.

Instead, he said the company would trim layers of management and place increased responsibilities in the hands of Michael Poehner, a former East Coast sales executive for Businessland who was promoted to senior vice president for sales and marketing.

''I think I've got a real solid management team here now,'' Norman said in a conference call to reporters and analysts. ''We're making the tough decisions to return to profitability.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Bolstering his claim of a massive undercount, Mayor David Dinkins Wednesday released city review that found the Census Bureau overlooked more than 250,000 residences on nearly 12,000 city blocks.

Dinkins filed the freshly completed review conducted by the city Planning Department as a formal challenge with the Census Bureau.

He said the analysis showed the bureau's preliminary count issued last month, which found the city lost population in the last 10 years, had actually omitted more than one of every 13 housing units in the city.

The report added ammunition to the city's claim that up to 1 million residents were missed by the Census.

The Census Bureau's preliminary figures found the city's population to be 7.033 million, more than 30,000 lower than a decade ago. But Dinkins said the city's report showed the population was much closer to 7.8 million or 8 million.

''In the past I have referred to the less than complete and less than competent work of the Census Bureau in 1990 as a form of statistical grand larceny,'' Dinkins said.

''Our review of the bureau's preliminary 1990 estimate suggests just how grand with a capital G the bureau's larceny has been.''

In submitting his report to the Census Bureau, Dinkins asked it to review the more than 11,900 city blocks - approximately 43 percent of the city's more than 28,000 residential blocks - where it believes the bureau failed to count at least five or more housing units in each block.

Other big cities across the nation also have charged the census missed many of their residences as well.

Monday, Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley reported the bureau may have undercounted the number of residences in his city by nearly 50,000.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - Rising oil prices from the Persian Gulf crisis will weaken the world's economic output this year and heat inflation, but the oil shock is not expected to be as severe as that of the 1970s, the International Monetary Fund said Wednesday.

The IMF, in its world economic outlook, projected that growth of the world's economy will slow to about 2 percent this year, down from 3 percent in 1989.

''The global slowdown would reflect a moderation of growth in both industrial and developing countries and a contraction of output in Eastern Europe and in the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics,'' the fund said.

The IMF said the lower level of economic activity, and the higher interest rates expected to result from higher oil prices and Middle East tensions, ''will tend to have adverse effects on the fiscal position in most industrial countries.''

In simple terms, this means that economic activity will be ''somewhat slower. There will be somewhat higher unemployments and somewhat higher prices and I emphasize the word 'somewhat,''' said Jacob Frenkel, the IMF's counselor and research director.

Frenkel said the oil shock should not be as severe to the economy as that of the 1970s for several reasons, including greater conservation efforts. He also said the weakened dollar makes U.S. exports more attractive, which in turn will boost the economy.

Frenkel said updated projections show the world's real growth in gross domestic product to averatge about 2 percent this year and 2.5 percent next year.

Economies of industrialized nations are forecast to grow at a rate of 2.5 percent both years while the economies of developing countries are projected to grow 2.25 percent this year and 4.25 percent in 1991.

Frenkel cautioned that the projections are based upon the assumption that oil will sell for an average of $26 a barrel for the remainder of this year and settle at $21 a barrel by the fourth quarter of 1991.

The IMF's economic forecasting staff also assumed that most of the shortfall in oil production, stemming from Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, would be offset gradually by other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

''These are busy times for economic forecasters,'' Frenkel said, adding that it is nearly impossible to forecast which direction oil prices will head.

''There is no doubt that the balance of risk toward a slowdown are tipping foreward with the increases in oil prices,'' he said.

Still, the fund warned against the use of monetary policy to offset any short-term economic problems resulting from rising oil prices.

''Attempts to mitigate the adverse short-run economic effects on output and employment by easing monetary policy would increase price pressures which would evolve into an inflationary process,'' the report said.

Although the overall gropwth of the global economy is expected to ease, especially from slowdowns in the United States and United Kingdom, the IMF said economic activity is forecast to remain ''relatively strong'' in Japan and Germany.

The IMF report appeared to differ from the economic picture painted by the Bush administration, which expects ''solid growth'' among the economies of the world's largest industrialized nations, despite the slowdown of the U.S. economy.

''We are concerned about growth and continuing global growth must be a priority,'' David Mulford, the Treasury Department's undersecretary for international affairs, told reporters at a briefing earlier this week.

The IMF said economic activity will remain sluggish in the United States and United Kingdom next year and inflation could stay relatively high.

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MEXICO CITY (SEPT. 19) UPI - Mexico will not insist on opening the U.S.

border to Mexican workers in upcoming talks on a free trade pact, a senior trade negotiator said Wednesday.

''It is not going to be immigration negotiations. We are not looking for an agreement that would allow free movement of workers across the border,'' said Jaime Zabludovsky, coordinator general of the Free Trade Accord department of the Mexican Commerce Ministry.

U.S. officials have said Mexico would like to include labor as a service during upcoming negotiations for a U.S.-Mexico free trade pact, effectively opening U.S. labor markets to Mexican workers - a move Washington would oppose. Over 1 million Mexicans work in the United States illegally.

''Mexico does not want to export workers, but wants to export goods ... We want to provide them the opportunity to work here. We would not put on the table the idea that the FTA should lift all immigration barriers,'' Zabludovsky said.

He said Mexico would pursue three main objectives in the free trade negotiations - greater access to U.S. markets, ''the fullest elimination'' of tariff and non-tariff barriers and the establishment of a mechanism to resolve bilateral trade disputes.

''We are looking forward to a full phased-out elimination of tariffs in bilateral trade,'' Zabludovsky told United Press International in an interview. ''There are still sectors that are protected in the United States.''

He said such sectors include agriculture, steel, textile, apparel and glass, among others.

Zabludovsky said that although Mexico and the United States - whose bilateral trade exceeds $50 billion a year - have very close economic ties, the United States imposes import quotas on several goods, such as textile.

In addition, there are many Mexican agricultural products that cannot be exported to the United States because of sanitary and other conditions imposed by the U.S. government, Zabludovsky said.

''We will try to negotiate a mechanism to solve bilateral trade disputes and disagreements,'' Zabludovsky said. ''Because of the huge (bilateral) trade, it is natural to expect daily problems.''

The formal free trade negotiations are expected to start around June and will include trade barriers, tariffs, investments, goods, services, copyrights and trademarks.

Zabludovsky said Mexico would not negotiate petroleum in the free trade talks.

''Obviously, oil and energy is an important and worrisome issue in the United States,'' Zabludovsky said. ''But there are some sectors that are exclusively reserved for the state by the Constitution,'' and they cannot be negotiated. He said oil, other hydrocarbons and basic petrochemicals are reserved for the Mexican state.

''Mexico has been a reliable supplier of oil to the United States and perhaps that will be stressed during the negotiations,'' Zabludovsky said.

Mexico, the world's seventh largest oil producer, exports about 1.3 million barrels of oil daily. About 60 percent of that amount is shipped to the United States.

''The FTA is a logical step ahead in structural economic changes and adjustments being made in the Mexican economy,'' Zabludovsky said, referring to current liberalization and opening of the economy to foreign goods and investment.

''There has been a demand for free trade negotiations by Mexican producers ''Zabludovsky said. ''We feel that Mexico should take advantage of its geographical location.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Gold futures closed 160 to 220 points lower Wednesday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	385.60	....	....	386.00	387.60
Oct	386.50	387.70	385.60	386.80	388.70
Dec	391.20	392.90	390.00	391.40	393.30
Feb	395.00	396.20	394.20	395.70	397.60
Apr	400.30	400.50	399.00	399.70	401.70
Jun	404.10	404.10	403.50	404.00	406.00
Aug	408.00	....	....	408.00	410.00
Oct	412.70	....	....	412.70	414.70
Dec	417.50	....	....	417.20	419.30
Feb	422.20	....	....	422.10	424.20
Apr	426.90	....	....	426.70	428.90
Jun	431.90	....	....	431.70	433.90

Open interest: 112,991 off 40.

Estimated sales: 31,000 contracts.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 19) UPI - It's politics almost as usual for President Bush. Riding a crest of approval for Operation Desert Shield, he campaigns for partisan gain in the midst of crisis marked to date by rare if fragile election-year unity.

The Persian Gulf crisis has come to center stage of Campaign '90.

Republican audiences like the ones Bush addressed Tuesday and Wednesday on a $2 million fund-raising swing for Pete Wilson, the Republican candidate for governor in California, still applaud his calls for lower deficits and death to drug kingpins. But it is his warnings to Saddam Hussein that rouse the crowds and are alter the dynamics of the 1990 election.

Politics and patriotism, not without a trace of jingoism.

Exhorting Republicans to ''stand up for America'' and ''show Saddam Hussein what this great nation is all about'' by voting on Election Day.

For the moment, that seems to be working in his favor. Preoccupation with the gulf crisis is not without its hidden risks, however, as Bush strives to protect a national consensus from anxiety and partisan division.

''Bipartisan foreign policy,'' Sen. Arthur Vandenberg, R-Mich., said 40 years ago, ''means a mutual effort under our indispensible two-party system to unite our official voice at the water's edge.''

Long regarded as an axiom of American politics, used and abused over the years by presidents and their critics in Congress, Vandenberg's observation has become Bush's battle cry against Democrats at a time when his actions in the Persian Gulf so demand their sustained support.

''On matters like these,'' he said Tuesday night in Los Angeles, ''we are called upon to put country before self, patriotism before party. So it's good that politics stop at the water's edge. But that still leaves a lot of America in between.''

In the face of a massive military buildup that he acknowledged Sunday had brought Iraq to ''the brink of war,'' Bush suggested it was not only proper but incumbent on Democrats and Republicans to ''vigorously campaign right up to the November election'' as forces of the United States and more than two dozen other countries sweat out the showdown with Saddam part way around the world.

''I am sure,'' Bush said, ''every Democrat agrees. We will not allow our political life to be held hostage to a crisis.''

No indeed. Not Bush or his newly emergent critics. Hours before he spoke those words, the first cracks appeared in the bipartisan consensus that has enabled him to act decisively and with a minimum of second guessing.

At a House Foreign Affairs subcommittee hearing, Assistant Secretary of State John Kelly became the whipping boy for Democrats and some Republicans critical of the administration's failure to prevent the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and how it since has gone about assembling an unholy alliance of friends and enemies against Iraq.

The White House brushed off the ire from Capitol Hill. Only one day earlier, Bush acknowledged regret over how his administration had sought in the months and even days before the invasion to maintain decent relations with Iraq.

On balance, however, he noted approval of Operation Desert Shield was running high. Barring a sudden turn of events for better or worse, either of which could shake the foundation of his support, he is betting it will remain that way through Election Day.

Foreign policy was to have been Bush's strong suit from the start. As he plays each successive card in his high-stakes poker game with Saddam, he keeps the nation's attention riveted on the gulf and away from domestic problems he has tackled with less success or interest, the very issues Democrats had hoped only months ago to see dominate the fall campaign to their advantage.

The blend of it is a patriotic undercurrent that has obscured partisan distinctions and at times muddled the public debate that otherwise would be so much a part of the campaign.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	376.71	228.61	131.33	22.77	318.60
Opening	375.94	228.24	131.31	22.83	318.13
11 a.m.	375.31	227.67	131.10	22.79	317.59
Noon	374.98	227.66	131.25	22.70	317.33
1 p.m.	374.73	227.58	131.33	22.66	317.15
2 p.m.	373.69	226.86	131.03	22.66	316.72
3 p.m.	374.57	226.38	131.17	22.54	316.84

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - The Iraqi crisis has cut short U.S. companies' plans for expansion in the Persian Gulf, but many businesses are ready to weather the storm and prepare for the long haul, the MidEast Report said Wednesday.

''American companies were ready to cash in on a new period of industrial and infrastructure projects in the Middle East,'' said the authoritative newsletter in its latest issue. ''U.S. firms had set their sights on substantial work in the Gulf after the end of the eight-year Iran-Iraq war.''

Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2 cut a lot of fresh corporate expectations short.

On that day, Atlanta-based Lockwood Greene International Inc. sent a proposal for the expansion of an industrial bakery in Kuwait City. The offer was never answered as Iraq proclaimed Kuwait a province.

In a bigger blow to the engineering company, an ongoing Lockwood project to equip Kuwait's Ministry of the Interior with a sophisticated security system ended abruptly.

Lockwood is owed an undisclosed amount of money by the Kuwaiti government, now in exile, but executives at the Atlanta headquarters took the philosophical view that its losses in Kuwait were part of doing business in the volatile Middle East.

''These companies will remain in the Middle East because they have been established there for decades, and they feel that, on the long- term, their presence in the Arabian Peninsula will pay off,'' said MidEast Report editor David Mizrahi. ''The Arabs will always remember who was on their side in dire predicaments and will tend to favor those companies who stayed there in difficult times.''

Emco Engineering Inc., based in Canton, Mass., is among the U.S. companies that know doing business in the Middle East takes a long time and does not go without patiently weathering a few storms.

''We still have an office in Baghdad, and we keep a low-key representation there for the time being,'' said an Emco spokeswoman. ''We do not have any U.S. representative there.''

Only three weeks before the invasion, Irvine, Calif.-based Fluor Corp. won a substantial share of a huge government contract to expand Saudi Arabia's oil and gas facilities, a long-term project which could span five to nine years and whose total cost could reach $45 billion, according to the MidEast Report.

Despite the Kuwait invasion, Saudi Arabia's state-owned Aramco, which controls

about 97 percent of Saudi oil reserves, did not change its long-term plan nor its basic agreement with U.S. contractors.

Aramco itself has been faced with some serious staffing problems as about 600 employees resigned after the invasion, in fear of an escalation in the conflict, the MidEast Report said. But the Saudi oil company is still going ahead with its new projects.

Another participant in the multibillion-dollar Aramco contract is Parsons Corp., a Californian engineering company which, like Fluor, is moving ahead with its program.

However, Parsons and several subsidiaries are facing losses for all of their Kuwaiti operations, including construction of a power plant and a water-treatment station.

To some, business in the Middle East might even be on the bright side as soaring crude oil prices are bringing an unexpected windfall to several countries.

Saba, who has a long experience of making international business deals in the Middle East, warned that U.S. companies should keep a presence there so that they do not lose ground to competitors from Japan - a mild critic of the Iraqi invasion despite being one of the main victims of the U.N.-ordered embargo against oil exports from Kuwait and Iraq.

''The Japanese are already knocking at doors,'' Saba told the MidEast Report.

Although there are potential benefits for businesses that can afford to wait and see, Mizrahi warned that the current crisis was the worst to affect the Middle East.

''This crisis is more serious because it is the first time that an Arab country invades another Arab country,'' Mizrahi said.

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Studds said protecting swordfish stocks is complicated because the species ''is highly migratory and highly prized by both foreign and domestic fishermen.''

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Since then, swordfish fishing has increased. The average size of the fish has dropped significantly, and the number of adult fish also has declined, witnesses said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - House Speaker Thomas Foley does not appear inclined to put an auto fuel economy bill on the legislative fast track, a key House Democrat said Wednesday, a decision that probably would doom the measure for this year.

Rep. John Dingell, D-mich., chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, said Foley indicated to him in recent conversations that he would not schedule the bill for accelerated floor consideration by the House.

''The speaker appears to be of the opinion that we should proceed under the regular order,'' Dingell told reporters at a House hearing where he sharply questioned the technological feasibility of meeting the higher fuel efficiency requirements that would be set under the bill.

Under the ''regular order,'' the fuel economy bill would stay in Dingell's committee, where he could bottle it up for the remaining few weeks of the congressional session.

Dingell's remarks come as the Senate moves toward passage this fall of fuel economy legislation that would raise the average federal gasoline mileage standard for new cars from 27.5 miles per gallon to 40 mpg by 2001.

The bill has gained momentum since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, which has reduced the flow of oil from the Mideast and underlined the nation's record dependence on foreign oil. Imported oil now fulfills 50 percent of U.S. consumption.

Proponents of the fuel economy bill measure is the best way for the nation to demonstrate its commitment to energy conservation and reduced reliance on foreign oil.

But Dingell, chief congressional defender of his home-state automakers, has made it clear he sees no need to rush the bill through the House this year.

House supporters of the fuel economy bill asked Foley last week to route the measure directly to the House floor, skipping Dingell's committee, which normally would have jurisdiction over such legislation.

However, Rep. George Miller, D-Calif., a leading backer of the bill, appeared glum about the bill's prospects Wednesday, saying only that chances for a floor vote were ''fair'' and that Foley had not ruled it out.

A spokesman for Foley said the speaker had made no definitive statement on the issue, but noted that little time was left for Congress to address its already packed legislative schedule.

The spokesman said it was a good assumption that ''at this stage of the legislative calendar, the speaker would support the regular order.''

Backers of the bill say the nation cannot reduce its reliance on foreign oil without more efficient motor vehicles because they account for 43 percent of the nation's oil consumption.

But Dingell, automakers, the Bush administration and other critics charge it would provide little oil savings while forcing the production of smaller cars that would compromise highway safety and restrict customer choice at the car lot, hurting sales.

Supporters of the bill note automakers made the same arguments in the mid-1970s when Congress set the initial 27.5 mpg standard, but that the industry met that requirement with no major ''down-sizing'' of its fleets. Average fuel economy has risen from 14 mpg in 1974 to 28 mpg in 1988.

A bill to raise the fuel mileage standard to 40 mpg appears likely to pass the Senate, possibly by the end of this week. Supporters of the bill by Sen. Richard Bryan, D-Nev., won a key preliminary battle last week, engineering a

crushing 68-28 vote to bring the bill up for consideration. However, opponents have vowed further efforts to prevent action on the bill.

Amidst the Senate action, Miller and 12 other House backers of fuel economy legislation wrote Foley last week asking for a commitment that the House vote on the issue before the end of the current session.

''This legislation could save 2.8 million gallons of oil per day, nearly one-third of our daily consumption of imported oil,'' Miller told Foley.

''We believe it is crucial that the House have an opportunity to consider this important energy-saving legislation before the end of the session.''

Dingell responded with his own letter to Foley objecting to any end run around his committee.

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RICHMOND, VA (UPI) - A federal appeals court Wednesday upheld sanctions against two Fort Bragg, N.C., employees who filed frivolous claims in the largest class action employment discrimination lawsuit in U.S. Army history.

The 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals found the lower court did not abuse its discretion by imposing financial penalties against the civilians, who improperly claimed racial discrimination.

The three-judge panel also upheld sanctions against distinguished civil rights lawyer Julius Chambers, who represented them.

''This case is not one of a District Court sanctioning attorneys and their clients for forwarding novel legal claims,'' the panel said.

''Rather, it is a case in which a District Court imposed sanctions because the parties and counsel pressed on a massive scale insubstantial claims unsupported by any credible evidence.''

However, the appeals panel reduced the size of the penalties, finding U.S. District Judge James C. Fox in Fayetteville, N.C., erred by requiring payment of some court costs, and set aside several others.

The case began a decade ago when two civilian employees alleged discriminatory practices in virtually every area of civilian life at the military base.

After months of investigation and the introduction of an estimated 5 million documents, the District Court denied class action status but allowed 44 persons, including Sandra Blue and Beulah Mae Harris, to proceed with the case.

But as the trial progressed some of the plaintiffs withdrew certain claims and others sought to withdraw entirely from the lawsuit. While the Army acquiesced to the requests, government lawyers asked the court for financial penalties because they had wasted time preparing the case.

In March 1985, a settlement was reached on the remaining claims with the Army agreeing to pay the group $75,000. But that penalty was thrown out four months later when the court determined the claims were baseless.

Blue and Harris were not included in the final settlement, but two years later their charges also were found to be without merit.

''The court makes clear that this is a case in which plaintiffs Blue and Harris leveled widespread charges of racial discrimination without any regard for the truth of their allegations, abandoned frivolous claims without notice after the Army had spent significant amounts of time and money preparing to rebut them, and perjured themselves, all in order to harass and embarrass the personnel at Fort Bragg,'' the three- judge panel ruled.

Harris was ordered to pay $17,000, while Blue was fined $13,000 and Chambers was ordered to pay $30,000. Sanctions against Chambers' young associate in the case, Geraldine Sumter, reached $12,500 and for his law firm, $1,414.

The appeals panel set aside the judgment against Sumter, who had taken over the case only after Chambers became director-counsel for the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, as well as Chambers' law firm.

The appeals court also reduced the amount of penalties for the others, finding they should not have to share in paying $38,000 in court costs.

The panel also found the lower court erred in reprimanding Chambers and Sumter for breach of professional ethics and should not have prohibited the NAACP Legal Defense from paying some of the penalties.

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. City	Local Time	Temp F	C
Aberdeen pc	1pm	51	11
Amsterdam cy	1pm	57	14
Ankara c	3pm	71	22
Athens pc	2pm	82	28
Auckland c	12a	52	11
Beijing pc	8pm	65	19
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin r	1pm	62	17
Bonn cy	1pm	65	18
Brussels r	1pm	56	13
Cairo c	2pm	87	31
Casablanca c	12n	76	25
Copenhagen cy	1pm	60	16
Dakar pc	12n	85	29
Dublin c	1pm	55	13

Geneva pc	1pm	74	24
Helsinki c	2pm	53	12
Hong Kong cy	8pm	77	25
Jerusalem c	2pm	78	25
Karachi pc	5pm	86	30
Lisbon c	1pm	76	24
London pc	1pm	60	16
Madrid pc	1pm	81	27
Malta c	1pm	83	28
Manila ts	8pm	87	30
Moscow r	3pm	50	10
Nairobi pc	3pm	82	28
Nassau cy	7am	82	28
New Delhi r	6pm	80	27
Nice pc	1pm	76	24
Oslo cy	1pm	60	15
Paris pc	1pm	69	21
Pretoria c	2pm	65	19
Riyadh m	3pm	101	38
Rome c	1pm	75	24
Seoul c	9pm	52	11
Sofia m	2pm	mm	mm
Stockholm m	1pm	mm	mm
Sydney c	10pm	63	17
Taipei pc	8pm	74	24
Tokyo ts	9pm	81	27
Tunis c	1pm	86	30
Vienna cy	1pm	61	16
Warsaw cy	1pm	58	15
Latin America			
Buenos Aires pc	9am	51	11
Caracas c	8am	72	22
Havana cy	7am	81	27
Lima cy	7am	60	16
Mexico City cy	6am	57	14
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	74	24
Santiago cy	8am	50	10
Canada			
Calgary w		50	10
Edmonton m		mm	mm
Montreal pc		54	12
Ottawa pc		48	09
Regina f		55	13
Toronto cy		54	12
Vancouver m		mm	mm
Winnipeg f		54	12

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - Drug addicts should receive tax-supported drug treatment on a ''timely'' basis if there is some prospect of success, said an Institute of Medicine report released Wednesday.

The report also said the war on drugs could be fought more effectively if higher quality public treatment services were provided, if public and private spending were better managed and if the government spent at least $3 billion more for drug treatment.

The report, ''Treating Drug Problems,'' was released by the Institute of Medicine, which is part of the National Academy of Sciences.

The government's general goal ''should be to provide adequate support for appropriate and timely admission, completion or maintenance of good- quality treatment for individuals who cannot pay for it whenever such individuals need ... seek ... or can be induced through acceptable means to pursue it, assuming there is some probability of positive response,'' the report said.

There are about 5.5 million people who ''clearly or probably'' need treatment, with about one-fifth of them in prison or on parole or probation, the report said.

The scientists urged the government to spend about $2.2 billion more than its 1989 funding level of $900 million for drug treatment, plus $1.1 billion in one-time spending to upgrade and expand treatment programs.

The federal government's 1990 anti-drug program totaled $9.5 billion, with about $1.3 billion earmarked for treatment.

While the Office of National Drug Control Policy expressed general satisfaction with the report, Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., chairman of the House Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control, said he expected more from scientists.

''I can't go to (National Drug Control Policy Director William) Bennett or (Health Secretary Louis) Sullivan, and I had hoped I could go to the national association of scientists to find out which are the best drug treatment programs,'' Rangel said in an interview.

''To say that we need more treatment is like saying cancer patients need more treatment. That's abundantly clear,'' he said.

Rangel was particularly critical of the report's assessment that of the four main treatment methods, ''methadone maintenance (for heroin addiction) ... has yielded the most positive results for those who seek it.''

Rangel noted a recent General Accounting Office report stating that many methadone patients return to heroin or other drugs or get hooked on methadone.

The other treatment methods are chemical dependency programs, residential drug programs and out-patient non-methadone programs.

An official with the Office of National Drug Control Policy, who did not want to be identified, said he was glad the report called for ''timely'' drug treatment, not treatment on demand.

''The problem with treatment on demand is that it places public policy at the whim and caprice of addicts. It says these people should be treated when the addict demands treatment,'' he said. ''Most often they demand treatment when they're coming off a drug high and may not want to complete the treatment later.''

Dean Gerstein, a co-editor of the report, said that, in general, addicts should be able to receive treatment, but he said many addicts lapse into old drug habits even after going through several treatment programs.

''People who repeatedly fail to respond may not be good candidates for treatment,'' Gerstein said in an interview. ''There is a point at which it is reasonable to say the treatment system can't help this person.''

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - Iraq announced Wednesday it passed a law allowing it to seize assets of governments and companies that have frozen Iraqi assets abroad and declared that it was no longer responsible for the safety of foreign property in occupied Kuwait and Iraq.

That move, likely to further exacerbate tensions with the West, came as the U.N. Security Council prepared to discuss an air embargo against Iraq to tighten enforcement of economic sanctions imposed after the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Yuliy Vorontsov of the Soviet Union, president of the Security Council this month, said the council would take up the issue of a possible air embargo Friday. Nine Western European nations have called for the air embargo to prevent supplies reaching Baghdad by air in violation of the U.N. embargo.

President Bush has said Washington would support extending the multinational embargo on trade to Iraq to include airplane flights.

France said two more French civilians were captured in Kuwait this week and taken to unknown destinations. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has been holding foreign men at vital installations against a possible attack by the U.S.-led multinational force in the Persian Gulf area.

U.S. and British officials said more than 400 foreigners held in Iraq and Kuwait, including up to 300 U.S. citizens and dependents, are scheduled to board a chartered Iraqi Airlines flight Wednesday bound for London from Bagdad.

The airlift is expected to follow the same pattern as previous flights, with the Americans spending the night at hotels outside London before boarding a flight bound for the United States sometime Thursday.

The Iraqi News Agency reported that Iraq's ruling Revolution Command Council passed a eight-part law giving Baghdad the go ahead to seize assets of governments and companies that have frozen Iraqi assets abroad.

''The seventh article of the law provided for seizing all assets and their revenues belonging to the governments, institutions, companies and banks of the countries that had issued oppressive resolutions against Iraq,'' INA said in a dispatch.

The law also stated ''the Iraqi side would not be responsible for any direct or indirect damage'' to their property, equipment and machinery.

It was not immediately clear if the law passed late Tuesday and announced Wednesday meant Iraq would immediately seize the assets or whether it was reserving the option to do so.

''It could mean everything or nothing,'' said one Western diplomat in Cairo about the newest Iraqi measure. ''They could be setting up something, perhaps some sort of confiscation, but right now it is quite unclear.''

Diplomats in the area said they could not determine how much foreign assets in Iraq and Kuwait were worth, but said the amount was probably considerable.

Many major companies, especially in the construction and oil industries, did business in the oil-rich emirate and left behind offices and equipment in the rush to evacuate foreign nationals from the region.

Most governments have abandoned their embassies in Kuwait when Iraq ordered them closed and the diplomats relocated to Baghdad, and the remaining Western missions are guarded by only a handful of personnel.

The Iraqi news agency said the ruling council passed the latest law after declaring international freeze on Iraqi assets ''null and void'' and said it ''held banks abroad fully responsible in protecting Iraqi assets deposited with them and their due commercial interests and other profits and rights.''

Most governments moved to freeze Iraqi and Kuwaiti assets in retaliation for Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

In other developments Wednesday:

-The House passed a $283 billion defense authorization bill that includes $1 billion for Operation Desert Shield items such as danger pay for military personnel stationed in Saudi Arabia. Adopted 256-155 on a largely party-line vote, the House bill still must be reconciled with a $289 billion version adopted by the Senate.

-Sudan joined Iraq in calling for a jihad, or holy war, against the non-Islamic Western forces, the official Sudan news agency said. A joint statement with Iraq, the strongest yet from Iraq's Moslem ally in East Africa, called for ''holy war and solidarity among Arabs and Moslems wherever they are to protect the Arab and Islamic holy places.''

Saddam Hussein has called for a holy war in an attempt to appeal to Islamic nationalism and pride. The attempt has succeeded in many nations, where Arabs have held frequent demonstrations against the U.S.- led military presence in the gulf region. Iran's religious leadership has similarly called for holy war against the Western forces in the Gulf.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis is flooding the Middle East with a multibillion-dollar wave of highly sophisticated arms - the most lethal of them made in the U.S.A. - that is rocking the region's military balance of power.

The Bush administration has served informal notice it will soon propose selling Saudi Arabia some $20 billion in advanced fighter- interceptors and fighter-bombers, defensive and offensive missiles, and turbine-powered tanks with laser gun sights.

Israel, already possessing some of the equipment the Saudis hope to get, now wants more and better weapons from Washington to match the Saudi buildup. The

United States, committed to maintaining Israel's qualitative military edge, has agreed.

Israel also asked for the same kind of financial consideration President Bush has proposed for Egypt - forgiveness of about $7 billion in debts for military purchases from the United States.

Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger says such financial largesse is not in the cards. The American reasoning is that Egypt is a unique case, an economic basket case that could not pay the debt anyway.

If the Israeli debt were written off, other nations - including Turkey, Pakistan and the Philippines - would be lining up at the cashier's window for the treatment, costing the United States billions of dollars.

Supporters of Israel in Congress appear to have given up hope of stopping the Saudi sale and have taken a fallback position: split the ''monster Saudi sale'' into two parts.

The first part, weapons needed in the current emergency, would sail right through Congress without even token opposition because of the pressing need of the Saudis facing the Iraqis. But opponents of the Saudi sale hope to stop longer-range items, or at least put restrictions on the use of the aircraft and tanks, making it more difficult for them to be turned against Israel.

The Saudis believe they have the support in the administration and Congress to get the whole package in one shot, and they want to do it now, while Saudi military needs are something Americans can easily grasp thanks to the tens of thousands of U.S. troops deployed in defense of the oil-rich kingdom.

One respected member of Congress, Rep. Jim Leach, R-Iowa, made a telling point. It is an argument, given the current fears of recession, that probably ensures Congress will not stop the sale, as it could with a majority vote in both the House and Senate.

Leach said the issue is not a question of stopping the Saudis from buying the arms; it is a question of whether they buy them from the United States or some other country.

By illustration, he said one part of the proposed Saudi sale is 10, 000 trucks. ''Would you want them to be Citroens, or Mercedes, or Hondas, or be made in Russia,'' he asked. ''I want the Saudis to buy American, from GM, or Chrysler or Ford.''

Henry Rowen, the assistant secretary of defense for international security affairs, chimed in with supporting evidence. He said the last time Congress

stopped the sale of F-15s to Saudi Arabia because of heavy lobbying from Israel, the Saudis turned to Britain for what may be the biggest arms deal of the century: two squadrons of Tornado fighter- bombers.

With training, spare parts and ground installations, Rowen said, the total package may have reached $30 billion - money that went to the British economy rather than the U.S. economy.

The Saudis have made a similar argument. The United States has been pressing them to recycle their petro-dollars into the American economy and Saudi Ambassador Prince Bandar bin Sultan says military sales are a form of such investment.

With the U.S. defense industry facing lean times as Cold War spending ends, that line of reasoning likely will be greeted thankfully by U.S. manufacturers.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $30 to $34 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.40 cent lower to 1.75 cent a pound higher for a 37,500- pound contract.

Copper - 0.80 to 4.40 cents a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.05 cent to 2.00 cents a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.60 to $2.20 an ounce lower for a 100-troy- ounce contract.

Platinum - unchanged to $3.10 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.00 cent to 2.10 cents a pound lower for a 15,000- pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 1.8 to 2.4 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000- troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.009 to 0.013 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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PRETORIA, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 19) UPI - President Frederik de Klerk announced

additional measures Wednesday intended to curb a wave of urban black violence and save his government's racial reform program.

At the same time, the African National Congress' policy-making National Executive Committee annnounced it was extending a special meeting in Johannesburg on the violence for a third day Thursday.

De Klerk, who departs Saturday for Washington for talks with President Bush, said the Cabinet had ratified the measures taken by police over the weekend in ''Operation Iron Fist'' but also approved several additional steps.

The police actions included roadblocks to search for firearms, cordoning of township hostels and squatter camps, where fighting has erupted with razor wire, possible curfews and the arming of police mobile units with machineguns.

De Klerk pledged security force actions would be ''strict but controlled and impartial.'' His law and order minister, Adriaan Vlok, sought to allay concerns over mounting machineguns on armored personnel, saying they would not be used for crowd control.

The new measures included a crackdown on the illegal possession of weapons, creation of special units to investigate specific incidents that have occurred in recent weeks and the possible appointment of a special investigator to probe allegations of official abuse of power.

''I want to emphasize that the government has committed itself to the process of negotiation,'' De Klerk said. ''Nonetheless it would appear that there are still those bent on thwarting the process of negotiation by violence.''

More than 730 people have died in black townships surrounding Johannesburg since early August in clashes mainly between supporters of the ANC and the rival Zulu movement Inkatha in an unprecedented outbreak of urban violence.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mixed.

American Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed slightly higher in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in thin trading.

Dollar - Higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 2 3/4 to 4 1/2, soybeans down 9 1/4 to 15 3/4, wheat off 2 to 5 3/4 and oats down 3/4 to 2 3/4 cents.

Cattle Trade - Steady to 50 cents higher; top $78.00.

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ANCHORAGE, AK (SEPT. 19) UPI - The Soviet Union is considering proposals to open an arctic shipping route that would significantly reduce the distance freighters must travel carrying goods between Europe and the Far East, according to officials meeting this week at a Northern Regions Conference.

The icy sea route stretching beyond the northernmost reach of the Russian land mass is used by Soviet icebreakers traveling between Soviet Europe and the Soviet Far East, but shippers from Europe to America want the route opened for international cargo traffic.

''I believe that if the Northeast Passage can be opened, it will be the biggest thing to happen to the northern region in this century,'' said Ivar Ytreland, governor of Norway's Trondelag province.

''The Northeast Passage could become a new fantastic maritime route between Europe and the Far East,'' Ytreland said. ''For example, a sea- route between western Europe to Japan and Korea would be 10,000 kilometers (6,000 miles) shorter than the sea route via the Suez Canal.''

''It's a big proposal but we're determined to see it through,'' Paul Fuhs, mayor of Unalaska, site of a major Alaska fishing port at Dutch Harbor, said of proposals to open the arctic sea route.

Fuhs, claiming support from port directors in Alaska and Tacoma, Wash., said discussions on opening the arctic sea route were planned with Soviet shipping officials in Anchorage this week for the 11-nation Northern Regions Conference.

''Our government is considering the issue of opening the Northeast Passage,'' said Artur Chilingarov, deputy chairman of the Soviet state committee for hydrometerology and a top delegate at the conference. ''Results will be conveyed to all interested parties very soon.''

But Chilingarov hinted that, despite a warming in U.S.-Soviet relations, there

may be some military defense obstacles to opening the waterway across the Soviet north.

Freighters carrying cargo between Europe and North Pacific ports in the Far East and the West Coast of North America now travel around continents and through the Suez and Panama Canals. This freight could take a more direct route through arctic waters north of Russia, Fuhs said.

The proposed arctic shipping channel is variously called the Northeast Passage the Northern Sea Route or the Arctic Great Circle Trade Route.

Under most scenarios, cargo from Asia and North America would leave Tokyo, Seoul and Tacoma on ships bound for Dutch Harbor, Alaska, to pick up fish and supplies and then head through the Bering Strait, across the arctic and into northern European ports. On the return trip, European goods and Alaska fish would be delivered to Tokyo, Seoul and Tacoma.

The journey would require Soviet nuclear icebreaker escorts and possibly the use of Soviet freighters with reinforced hulls. Ytreland said Soviet icebreaking capabilities could keep the passage open most of the year.

Norway and Alaska would serve as gateway ports on either end of the journey, Ytreland said.

Such an arrangement would benefit trade between northern Europe and the Pacific Rim, but Jostein Berg, a professor at the Norwegian Institute of Technology, said, ''The Soviets would benefit the most.''

Berg said opening the northern shipping route could mean business and goods entering Soviet ports. He said the Soviets could join the trade and earn western currency for becoming involved in the shipping.

Fuhs said the northern sea route would dramatically improve the marketability of forest, mineral and fisheries products and other goods benefiting from a shorter route.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Oil stockpiling by wholesalers and consumers, especially of jet and industrial fuels, apparently has been taking place as prices have risen, the oil industry's American Petroleum Institute reported Wednesday.

The August output of gasoline and heating oil by the nation's refineries also reached the highest level in more than 10 years while refinery deliveries barely rose over a year ago, the API said, suggesting the possibility that some deliveries were held back until prices rose.

In its monthly report, the API said the total of petroleum products supplied domestically rose 3.1 percent in August to 17.9 million barrels a day.

Prior to the world crisis triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil- rich Kuwait and the U.N. embargo of exports from the two nations, the underlying trend in oil consumption was ''estimated to have been roughly flat to down slightly'' compared to last year, the report said.

''Apparently, ... part of August's deliveries represented an increase in secondary (wholesale) and tertiary (consumer) inventories rather than a rise in consumption,'' the API said.

Oil traders have attributed the rise in oil prices since the invasion at least partially to stockpiling.

The API said the stockpiling appeared to date from the increase in oil prices that began in late June rather than the Iraqi invasion. It said domestic petroleum deliveries rose 6 percent in July.

''If you're a buyer and you anticipate a rise in prices, you've got a certain incentive to buy now rather than later,'' an API executive said.

Prices of crude oil rose by more than 30 percent in the six weeks prior to the invasion as a result of Iraqi pressure on the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Countries to limit overproduction by Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates.

Prices have risen more than 50 percent since the Iraqi invasion.

The OPEC cartel pumps more than a third of the world's crude and attempts to support prices by limiting the output of its members.

The stockpiling appeared to be concentrated in the areas of airline jet fuel and so-called residual fuels for industrial uses such as electric power generation, the API said.

In August, kerosine jet deliveries rose 12.4 percent over a year ago to 1.4 million barrels daily and residual fuel deliveries shot up 13.9 percent to 1.27 million barrels daily.

The increase in jet fuel deliveries, which had been growing at a 5-6 percent rate, ''may also reflect unquantified increases in military jet- fuel use to support the U.S. airlift to Saudi Arabia,'' the report said.

August demand for electricity was up only about 5 percent over a year ago. Therefore, ''it is believed that, as with other products, changes in non-primary inventories contributed to a portion of the deliveries increase,''

it said.

The report said refinery output of gasoline and distillates, which include heating oil and diesel fuel, ''reached the highest levels for any August since the 1970s.''

It said the nation's refineries operated at 92.9 percent of reported capacity in August, an increase of 4 percent over a year ago.

Nevertheless, it said, ''Deliveries of gasoline in August were at about the same level as they were during August 1989,'' suggesting that some refiners may have been holding back on deliveries until prices rose.

An API executive said the disparity could possibly be accounted for by a year-to-year drop in imports.

API statistics showed that August gasoline imports dropped to an average of 350,000 barrels a day from August 1989's 372,000 barrels daily.

The report said the growth in gasoline deliveries from a year ago declined from July's 6 percent rise to an 0.7 percent increase in August.

''With some demand response to higher prices already taking place and an economy that has apparently continued to weaken, actual consumption in August most likely declined somewhat from a year ago,'' the API said.

It also said August distillate deliveries rose 2.8 percent over a year ago ''much less than July's double-digit rate, but still diverging from estimated previous consumption trends.''

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 19) UPI - Delays launching the shuttle Columbia and repeated tests to track down the source of elusive hydrogen leaks have cost NASA more than $3 million in lost fuel, overtime and travel expenses alone.

But agency officials said Wednesday the cost is minuscule compared to the overall price of a shuttle launch - more than $300 million - and the need to make absolutely sure no dangerous leaks are present at launch that could endanger a shuttle or its crew.

NASA originally intended to launch eight shuttle missions in fiscal year 1990. The agency's budget for space shuttle operations during that period totaled $2.5 billion, which works out to roughly $311 million per flight.

Determining the cost of not flying a mission, or delaying one indefinitely, is more difficult to calculate.

''There's no way to calculate (the cost) of a delay because when you put a budget together, you put it together to support X number of flights that fiscal year,'' said NASA spokesman Mark Hess. ''The real cost is we're not going to fly three or four flights this year.

''You don't spend that money flying, but you spend that money doing what we've been doing. It may turn out that we don't spend all the money we planned to spend because we're not flying.''

Columbia originally was scheduled for launch May 30, but the flight was put on hold after sensors detected hydrogen gas leaking into the ship's engine room. A subsequent fueling test appeared to traced the leak to a massive 17-inch-wide fuel line fitting.

Columbia then was hauled off the launch pad and replaced by the shuttle Atlantis. But a fueling test turned up yet another leak and two more such tests were conducted before Atlantis was taken back to its hangar for repairs.

In the meantime, Columbia was equipped with a new ''disconnect'' fitting and hauled back to launch pad 39A Aug. 9 for a launch attempt around Sept. 1.

But leaks showed up during two subsequent launch attempts and the flight now is on hold indefinitely.

NASA documents say a launch delay after fueling costs the space agency roughly $764,000, including travel for NASA engineers and managers, overtime and other factors. The cost of lost fuel alone runs about $377,000 per ''tanking.''

NASA fueled Columbia for launch three times - May 29, Sept. 5 and Sept. 17 - and conducted four other fueling tests, one with Columbia and three with Atlantis.

Excluding the cost of one launch fueling, which NASA would have spent anyway had the mission gotten off the ground, the space agency has spent more than $3 million for the aborted launch attempts and testing.

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#90262u1746 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (SEPT. 19) UPI - Six year-old Claudia stands on a busy street corner in bare feet and a tattered dress, selling bags of apples and Coca-Cola in two-liter bottles.

For eight hours a day, cars whiz by within six inches of her as she darts from window to window peddling the Coke for about $2 a bottle.

Nicaraguans did not have the option of buying apples or Coke in the plastic

bottles when a new government took over five months ago. But these and other consumer products now flow freely across the Honduran border, thanks to an easing of trade restrictions and a lifting of the U.S. trade embargo.

Since President Violeta Chamorro took office, Nicaragua also has seen its unemployment rate to at least 34 percent, while consumer prices have become the highest in Central America.

Now Chamorro is having trouble convincing the people that the hardship she has asked them to endure will not kill the economy before curing it.

''Things are difficult, but we have enough to eat,'' said Nidia Sanchez, 24, who works in a small shop selling Nicaraguan-made shoes. ''The only thing is that now people are out of work. Those who are working are fine. Those who are not are resorting to stealing.''

Despite the hardships, she said things are better because ''we now have the freedom to buy and sell as we please without government control.''

Coca Cola and numerous other Western products have been arriving in Nicaragua for the first time in years. Some are appearing for the first time ever. They now compete with local products and with black-market goods that continue to be smuggled in from Panama.

The new goods do not come in shiny tractor-trailers from wholesalers, and most of them are not sold in supermarkets. They cross the border in pick-upsand cattle trucks and are sold by people like Claudia and by vendors at the Eastern Market - a thriving mass of tiny shops and outdoor stands.

Nicaraguans buy the Coke as much for the novelty of the bottles as for the soft drink. After drinking the Coke, they refill the containers with fresh milk purchased from ranchers and freeze it for later use.

''People are not buying as much. They can't afford it,'' said Juan Carlos Lucas, who peddles black-market televisions and other electronic goods at the Eastern Market.

''I went to Honduras a week ago to check it out,'' Lucas said. ''Things are terrible there - the mayhem and the lines going back and forth across the border - and the prices are not much better than what I can get on the black market.''

The government acknowledged this week that 400,000 people are out of work, though some economists have put the figure at 500,000 or higher. No reliable figures exist for unemployment under the former Sandinista government, but most observers agree that it was much lower.

In an effort to reduce the fiscal deficit, running at about $220 million a

year, Chamorro has fired thousands of state workers, virtually all of them Sandinistas and their sympathizers. She has also discharged or given permission to leave the ranks of the military to some 35,000 troops of the Sandinista Popular Army.

Another 20,000 former Contra rebels who fought against the Sandanistas during the 1980s have also entered the work force. Although many of them plan to farm the land they have been given free, others have been unsuccessfully searching for work to support their families.

To make matters worse, elimination of many government subsidies has contributed to skyrocketing prices.

''I thought Costa Rica was expensive,'' said Flori de Vilma, a Costa Rican visiting Managua. ''Things here are three times more expensive than in Costa Rica. It wasn't like this when I was here last November.''

According to Juan Medina, an independent economist, a family needs a minimum of $46 a week to survive, compared with about $27.50 a week when Chamorro took office. Using the constantly devaluating local currency, the minimum survival amount has risen 15 times in that period.

Salaries have not risen in proportion with the price increases, though the government has promised that prices will drop soon and salaries will go up once wages are paid in the new cordoba oro monetary unit, which has a fixed value at par with the dollar.

To arrive at a solution to the economic crisis, the government was to begin a ''national dialogue'' Thursday bringing together all sectors of the economy. Before it even started, however, the dialogue seemed prone to fail because the Sandinistas and their powerful labor unions said they would not attend.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 19) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.49 1/4-2.57 1/4 off 2 3/4-10 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.09 3/4-6.17 3/4 off 12 1/2-15 1/2.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.22 1/4-2.25 1/4 off 3 3/4-11 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.22 1/4-2.32 1/4 off 3 3/4.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1082.3
Tuesday	1098.2
Week ago	1099.2
Month ago	1123.5
Year ago	1098.6
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90262u1764 09/19/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 19) UPI - The judge who ordered former Lincoln Savings and Loan owner Charles H. Keating Jr. jailed on $5 million bail agreed Wednesday to consider a lower bond while Keating awaits trial on fraud charges.

Superior Court Judge Gary Klausner scheduled a hearing Thursday to hearing defense requests for lower bail for Keating and his three co- defendants, all former thrift executives, who are being held on $1 million bail each.

Defense attorneys told Klausner that the four, who were jailed Tuesday after a 42-count grand jury indictment against them was unsealed, should be released on their own recognizance. Keating, who made a fortune in Arizona real estate, has claimed he is broke.

Deputy District Attorney William Hodgeman, who is prosecuting the case, told Klausner that he would support cutting Keating's bail to $1 million. He also said he would back reducing bail for the other defendants to $50,000.

''The bail may be too low; it may be too high,'' Klausner said in granting the hearing. He said the bails had been set ''to guarantee'' the appearance of the defendants at future proceedings.

''This is not a punitive measure,'' Klausner said.

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#90262u1786 09/19/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - As the Senate Judiciary Committee wrapped up five days of confirmation hearings on Supreme Court nominee David Souter Wednesday, several prominent feminists demanded an apology from the panel for being treated as ''bad girls'' by committee Republicans.

The 14-member committee heard testimony from Souter, President Bush's nominee

to replace Justice William Brennan on the high court, and more than 40 witnesses supporting and opposing the New Hampshire federal appeals court judge's inclusion on the Supreme Court during its hearings.

The panel's chairman, Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., said he is planning a committee vote for Sept. 27, meaning Souter could join the Supreme Court before the Oct. 1 start of court's fall term.

Souter's approval by the panel is considered a virtual certainty, as none of the eight Democratic and six Republican committee members has publicly opposed the nominee and many have predicted confirmation.

Sen. Alan Simpson, R-Wyo., said he ''holds the fond hope that it might even be unanimous.''

The committee Wednesday heard from witnesses representing civil rights and homosexual organizations opposed to Souter's confirmation and several law enforcement officials supporting the nominee, as well as two former Harvard classmates of Souter who differed on the nominee's empathy for women and minorities.

Fallout continued from an acrimonious exchange Tuesday night between three Republican committee members and six prominent feminists who were testifying before the panel.

Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., refused to ask the witnesses a question, but remarked that they were ''lovely ladies.'' Simpson rebuked the women for ''casting a glance and shrug'' and wondering why ''boobs'' on the committee weren't paying attention, and said women's groups ''hung poor (1987 conservative court nominee) Robert Bork high up in the cottonwood tree.''

And Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., who spoke on the Senate floor in favor of Souter Wednesday, four times explicitly described circumstances dealing with a rape while defending the nominee's ruling in a 1988 rape case.

''It trivializes our issues to treat us that way, like we are bad girls and we have to be chastised in public,'' said Molly Yard, president of the National Organization for Women. ''We want serious treatment for our issues. They don't do that to men. I would like the committee to apologize for the way we were treated.''

Eleanor Smeal, former NOW leader and current president of the Fund for a Feminist Majority, said the incident ''just speaks volumes about sexism right here in the Senate.''

''It's a patronizing, condescending attitude - that the only thing that matters is our looks,'' Smeal added. ''It's was a most childish way to put us in our place.''

Simpson said he met privately with Yard and Smeal Wednesday, but gave no apology.

''It's always strange to me how they love to dish it but they don't like to take it,'' said Simpson, who is pro-choice. ''I've seen Molly Yard and Eleanor Smeal dish it out in vigorous fashion, punching out the lights. Then you give a little bit of it back and suddenly you've got what all men most fear: tears.''

''If they are talking about an apology, I'd like to see them extend one to Senator Strom Thurmond (because) they rolled their eyes and choked and huffed and shrugged while he spoke for about 30 seconds,'' Simpson added.

Simpson called Thurmond ''a Southern gentleman,'' termed the women's behavior ''arrogant'' and blasted allegations they were treated differently than male witnesses.

''It is a true double standard,'' Simpson said. ''That (claiming unequal treatment) is a refuge when you have no argument.''

The women earlier testified that Souter would become the swing vote in overturning the landmark 1973 Roe vs. Wade ruling that guaranteed abortion rights and that other privacy rights, such as the use of birth control, could be called into question.

Biden made reference to the the incident during Wednesday's hearing, telling different witnesses, ''We all have to be accustomed to odious descriptions as part of the Democratic process.''

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	60 3-8	up 3-4
AT&T Company	30 3-4	off 3-8
BCE Inc	31 1-4	up 1-8
Bell Atlantic	45 1-2	off 1-8
BellSouth Corp	51 1-2	off 1-2
Exxon Corp	51 1-4	unch
Ford Motor Co	34 7-8	off 3-8
Genl Electric	56 3-8	off 2 1-4
General Motors	37 3-8	off 3-8
GTE Corp	25 1-4	unch
IBM Corp	108 5-8	up 1 3-8
Mobil Oil Corp	67 1-4	up 1-4

Nynex Corp	71 5-8	off 1-8
Pac Gas & Elec	20 3-4	unch
Pacific Telesis	41 5-8	up 1-8
Phila Electric	15 1-8	up 1-8
Sears Roebuck	27 3-8	up 1-8
Southern Co	23 5-8	unch
Sthwestern Bell	48 5-8	off 1-8
US West Inc	34 3-8	unch

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.26	up 0.15
10 Public Utils	90.40	up 0.19
10 Industrials	88.13	up 0.12

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 5 to 200 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	74.05	75.90	74.05	75.90	73.90
Dec	72.25	74.25	72.25	73.95	72.30
Mar	73.43	75.35	73.43	74.90	73.43
May	74.10	75.25	74.10	75.20	74.15
Jly	74.11	75.15	74.11	75.08	74.11
Oct	70.00	70.00	70.00	69.83	69.75
Dec	67.95	68.00	67.90	67.95	67.90

Estimated sales: 10,000 contracts

Open interest: 35,489 up 316

The World spot average: 71.39

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus	20 Trans	15 Utils
Wednesday	2557.43 off 13.86	888.31 off 13.13	201.52 up 1.00
Tuesday	2571.29 up 3.96	901.44 up 13.50	200.52 up 0.63

Week ago	2625.74	up	13.12	908.65	off	0.93	201.71	up	1.45
Month ago	2560.15	off	43.81	894.34	off	14.24	196.81	off	1.69
Year ago	2683.89	off	3.42	1457.33	up	7.12	217.43	up	0.88
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2483.42			861.31			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90262u1806 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 19) UPI - Federal energy officials may pursue Nevada as a potential national radioactive waste dump site, despite the Nevada Legislature's opposition, a federal appeals court ruled Wednesday.

Nevada is the sole remaining state under consideration from among five states originally nominated for site review by the secretary of energy.

Nevada lawmakers have attempted to block any further consideration of the Yucca Mountain site, 100 miles northeast of Las Vegas, by withholding consent for environmental permits and passing joint resolutions in the Legislature in 1989 expressing ''adamant opposition to the placement of a high-level nuclear waste respository in the State of Nevada.''

The state also accused the secretary of energy and Congress of failing to adhere to legal procedures set out in the laws governing siting of nuclear waste dumps.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals unanimously ruled that the federal government has not violated constitutional mandates and may continue its review of the Nevada site.

Although Nevada was the only state selected for site study, the action does not constitute final selection. It merely allows federal authorities to proceed with scientific studies of the site's potential.

Harry Swainston, Nevada deputy attorney general, said, ''Nevada was selected as the only site to be characterized (for review). There are not five other sites at this point.''

Swainston said appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court and a request for reconsideration by the appeal court are options that remain available.

In 1987, the five nominated states - Nevada, Mississippi, Texas, Utah and Washington - were narrowed to Nevada, Hanford, Wash., and Deaf Smith, Texas.

The Texas and Washington sites were ''let off the hook'' in favor of Nevada, Swainston said.

Nevada maintains that it passed a valid veto of the proposed site and that the action was not preempted by federal law.

The Nuclear Waste Policy Act allows a state to submit a notice of disapproval of a site to Congress, which has 90 days to overrride the disapproval notice.

Nevada Attorney General Brian McKay vowed prior to arguments before the court in August to ''use every tool possible to block the proposed site.''

Nevada argued that allowing the 49 states, through Congress, to push the dump onto Nevada would ''destroy the economy or environment of (the republic's) politically weakest member.''

Judge Arthur Alarcon wrote that the secretary of energy properly pointed out that the ''10th Amendment does not protect a state from being outvoted in Congress.''

''Nevada's relative lack of political strength is a result of the 'Great Compromise' of the 1787 Constitutional Convention, in which each state was guaranteed equal representation in the Senate and proportionate representation in the House of Representatives,'' Alarcon wrote.

There is no likelihood of a nuclear site being created in the immediate future.

Site verification study by federal experts is expected to take six to 10 years according to Assistant U.S. Attorney General Richard Stewart, who argued the case before the appeal court.

Alarcon was joined in the decision by Judges J. Clifford Wallace and Charles Wiggins.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2557.43	off	13.86
20 Trans	888.31	off	13.13
15 Utils	201.52	up	1.00
65 Stocks	893.46	off	5.41

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#90262u1828 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 19) UPI - The head of the Mormon Church is undergoing brain surgery this afternoon in Salt Lake City to relieve a build-up of blood on his brain. 91-year-old Ezra Taft Benson is the spiritual leader of the world's seven-point-five-Million Mormons.

A two-year-old boy is in critical condition at a Pittsburgh hospital after he was dragged from a porch and mauled by six Rottweiler dogs. Surgeons at Allegheny General Hospital spent 12-and-a-half hours treating the toddler's multiple injuries.

In Austin, Texas, police are investigating the latest incidence of fraternity-related violence at the University of Texas. Police say three assailants carved Greek letters on a student's face in an attack while he was jogging near the campus.

Police in Bombay, India, filed murder charges against a couple who allegedly beat their seven-year-old niece to death because they didn't like the way she treated their infant son while babysitting. The couple, both in their 50's, had their first child in January.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2569.31	2594.55	2534.41	2557.43	off 13.86
20 Trans	902.74	907.54	883.88	888.31	off 13.13
15 Utils	200.39	202.28	199.07	201.52	up 1.00
65 Stock	898.72	906.42	885.86	893.46	off 5.41

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	22,901,100	20,775,000
Trans	2,826,900	2,732,900
Utils	2,890,900	2,650,700
65 Stock	28,618,900	26,158,600

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.26	up 0.15
10 Public Utils	90.40	up 0.19
10 Industrials	88.13	up 0.12

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 131.66 off 0.62.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney approved imminent danger pay Wednesday for about 150,000 U.S. military personnel in Saudi Arabia

and nearby waters, providing each serviceman and woman with an extra $110 per month.

''In recognition of the sacrifices our military men and women are making, I have directed the payment of this supplemental benefit to the troops on the front lines,'' Cheney said. ''This is an appropriate step given the risks they face and the harsh conditions in which they serve.''

The extra pay applies to soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines, regardless of rank, who are on the Arabian peninsula or on the Persian Gulf, the Red Sea, the Gulf of Oman, the Gulf of Aden and the northern Arabian Sea.

Defense officials said there are about 150,000 U.S. military personnel affected. Therefore, the extra $110 for each person will amount to an additional $16.5 million paid out a month.

The Pentagon has estimated that Operation Desert Shield will cost more than $1 billion a month.

The secretary of defense has the authority to grant the supplemental pay to members of the armed forces serving in specified high-risk areas.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Weednesday:

High 320.01, low 318.40, close 318.97, off 0.72.

There was a loss of 3 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,270,000 shares, compared with 10,890,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	5
New Lows	64
Advances	225
Declines	307
Unchanged	255
Total Issues	787

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	173.91	off	0.97
ASE Market Value Index	318.97	off	0.72
Dow-Jones Industrial	2557.43	off	13.86

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#90262u1856 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 19) UPI - The U.N. Security Council plans to approve a peace plan on Cambodia worked out by its five permanent members and call for the early resumption of an international conference on Cambodia, diplomats said Wednesday.

The diplomats said the council will meet Thursday to approve the peace framework and welcome the formation of the 12-member Supreme National Council named by the four Cambodian factions this month.

Also Thursday, the United States and Vietnam will hold their third round of talks in New York at the level of vice minister to discuss the U.N. peace plan on Cambodia. The United States has enlisted Vietnam's help to pursuade pro-Hanoi Prime Minister Hun Sen to go along with U.N.- organized elections.

Diplomatic sources said Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach will be in New York next week to attend the General Assembly in sign there has been some form of progress in the U.S.-Vietnam talks on Cambodia.

Vietnam has held hopes that the talks would lead to more serious discussions for the resumption of diplomatic relations with the United States.

Under the U.N. plan on Cambodia, the council represents Cambodia's ultimate authority to deal with the United Nations during the transition period leading to U.N.-organized general elections for a future Cambodian government.

The plan, agreed by the five powers in August after eight months of negotiations, called for setting up the council and gave the United Nations a major role in running part of the Cambodian administration and organizing general elections.

But the four Cambodian parties - the anti-Vietnam resistance headed by Prince Norodom Sihanouk and the Cambodian government - failed this week to elect a president of the council in meetings in Bangkok, Thailand.

Although both sides agreed that Sihanouk, the top resistance leader and former monarch, would be chairman, they differed on whether he would join as 12th or 13th member.

Diplomats said Hun Sen wanted Sihanouk to be among the 12 members of the council, not the 13th member as suggested by the U.N. plan. The resistance movement and Hun Sen equally share the 12-member council and a 13th member would tip the balance to the resistance's advantage.

The parties also failed to name a delegation to attend the U.N. General

Assembly, which opened its 45th session Tuesday. Sihanouk supposedly was to head the delegation once he became council president.

Diplomats said Hun Sen wanted to be named the vice president of the council, practically creating a 14th member for the body. They said he also wanted to be deputy to Sihanouk in the U.N. delegation.

The present U.N. delegation represents a three-part rebel coalition headed by Sihanouk. It has had U.N. recognition since it was formed in 1982 to oppose the Vietnamese occupation of Cambodia, which began with Hanoi's invasion in 1978 to oust a bloody regime of the communist Khmer Rouge.

The resolution on Cambodia to be adopted by the council calls on all Cambodian parties to the 11-year-old conflict to exercise maximum restraint to create a peace atmosphere that would help implementation of a final political settlement.

It calls on France and Indonesia to increase consultations in order to reconvene the Paris conference which will work out details of the final settlement. Diplomats said the conference may be reconvened in November.

In addition, the resolution urges Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to make preparatory studies to set up the U.N. peacekeeping force in Cambodia. More than 20,000 personnel will participate in the force during the transition period, the largest U.N. force involved in a peace process.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 10,270,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,517,752,745
Bonds - $2,880,000
1990 to date - $516,378,000

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#90262u1870 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 147,530,000 shares
1990 to date - 28,532,446,822
Warrants - 1,199,600
1990 to date - 180,200,800

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MEXICO CITY (SEPT. 19) UPI - President Carlos Salinas de Gortari led a subdued

ceremony Wednesday marking the fifth anniversary of the devastating earthquake that left thousands of Mexico City residents dead.

''This is a homage to all those that died in the earthquake and a call for us to stay united and to join forces to move forward,'' Salinas said.

The mumber of mourners at the Zocalo, or central square, was far fewer than last year, and commemoration ceremonies throughout the city were on a smaller scale than previous years.

The earthquake, which made concrete crumble and glass shatter, hit Sept. 19, 1985 at 7:19 a.m. local time, measuring 8.1 on the open-ended Richter scale. An aftershock of 7.5 on the Richter scale shook the city again the following day.

The government has said 9,000 people died in the disaster. U.S embassy officials and private aid groups, however, put the death toll at more than 20,000.

The skeletons of many of the some 4,500 buildings damaged still stand on downtown streets as testaments to the $20 billion worth of destruction that sacked the city.

Half a million people were left homeless from the quake. The government constructed thousands of new apartments in an attempt to relocate all those affected, but many remain living in dangerously damaged houses in the city center and on the streets.

Former President Miguel de la Madrid said Mexico received $75 million in foreign emergency aid to help rebuild after the earthquake.

Mexico City Mayor Manuel Camacho Solis said recently he was satisfied with the government's programs to relocate those left homeless.

''Today, five years after the earthquakes, there are no more housing needs for those affected,'' Camacho Solis said at Wednesday's ceremony.

Reconstruction of Tlatelolco, a housing project in the north of the city where some 500,000 people live, has yet to be completed. The area was among the most affected by the quakes. A large apartment tower collapsed leaving some 1,000 dead and several other buildings were torn down because of large scale damage.

Housing officials have blamed the building delay on lack of funds, while tenant groups claim officials have been stealing the money available for the construction.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 19) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Wednesday - 8,882,000
1990 to date - 1,819,278,000

The market closed lower.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.
Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austral	.000174	.000175	5747.00	5718.00
Australia dlr	.8295	.8308	1.2055	1.2037
Austria schill	.0911	.0919	10.98	10.88
Belgium franc-c	.0311	.0314	32.18	31.89
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0133	.0137	74.98	73.13
Britain pound	1.8850	1.9145	.5305	.5223
Britain 1-mo	1.8742	1.9029	.5336	.5255
Britain 3-mo	1.8545	1.8833	.5392	.5310
Britain 6-mo	1.8269	1.8554	.5474	.5390
Canada dollar	.8636	.8626	1.1580	1.1593
Canada 1-mo	.8601	.8556	1.1627	1.1688
Canada 3-mo	.8542	.8534	1.1707	1.1718
Canada 6-mo	.8477	.8463	1.1796	1.1816
Chile peso-f	.003380	.003380	295.84	295.84
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001921	.001922	520.67	520.18
Denmark krne	.1674	.1670	5.9725	5.8965
Ecudr sucre-z	.001190	.001156	840.00	865.00
Egypt pound	.3701	.3687	2.7022	2.7121
Finlnd mrkka	.2711	.2733	3.6885	3.6590
France franc	.1907	.1924	5.2450	5.1975
France 1-mo	.1904	.1921	5.2528	5.2045
France 3-mo	.1897	.1914	5.2718	5.2245
France 6-mo	.1886	.1903	5.3030	5.2560
Greece drach	.006645	.006662	150.49	150.10
Hollnd guildr	.5658	.5718	1.7675	1.7488
HongKong dlr	.1289	.1289	7.7590	7.7588
India rupee	.0563	.0562	17.76	17.78
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000540	1854.00	1853.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30

Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7109	1.7310	0.5845	0.5777
Israel shekel	.4975	.4975	2.0100	2.0100
Italy lira	.000853	.000861	1173.00	1161.00
Japan yen	.007289	.007260	137.20	137.75
Japan 1-mo	.007294	.007260	137.10	137.78
Japan 3-mo	.007305	.007260	136.90	137.75
Japan 6-mo	.007407	.007250	135.00	137.94
Jordan dinar	1.5375	1.5375	.6504	.6504
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000348	2883.00	2873.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6220	.6265	1.6077	1.5962
Norway krne	.1650	.1667	6.0600	6.0020
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	428,475	428,475
P'pnes peso-z	.0406	.0406	24.63	24.63
Portugl escud	.007296	.007326	137.07	136.50
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5663	.5671	1.7660	1.7635
S.Africa rand	.3917	.3932	2.5530	2.5430
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010180	.010243	98.23	97.63
Sweden krona	.1738	.1753	5.7530	5.7060
Switzrl franc	.7666	.7755	1.3045	1.2895
Switzrl 1-mo	.7663	.7760	1.3050	1.2886
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7663	.7760	1.3049	1.2887
Switzrl 6-mo	.7661	.7765	1.3053	1.2879
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.87	26.87
Turkey lira	.000374	.000373	2674.00	2679.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6633	3.6633
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0208	.0208	47.97	48.00
W.Ger Mark	.6367	.6444	1.5705	1.5519
W.Ger 1-mo	.6367	.6445	1.5706	1.5516
W.Ger 3-mo	.6364	.6441	1.5714	1.5525
W.Ger 6-mo	.6350	.6428	1.5747	1.5556
Yugosl dinar	.0940	.0939	10.64	10.65

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value 318.97 off 0.72

High Technology	313.65	off 2.06
Capital Goods	339.41	off 0.72
Consumer Goods	377.62	off 1.93
Service	704.85	off 1.85
Retail	981.82	off 7.99
Financial	373.36	up 1.33
Natural Resources	247.12	off 0.36
Housing-Const-Land	339.65	up 1.93

There was a loss of 3 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS		
New England	406.48	off 2.96
Mid Atlantic	408.31	off 0.70
No Central	419.10	up 0.72
So Atlantic	914.29	off 3.26
So Central	312.77	off 0.45
Mountain	113.45	up 0.33
Pacific	370.17	off 2.27
Foreign	242.86	off 0.25

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#90262u1884 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	377.42	373.60	374.05	off 2.66
20 Trans	229.43	225.73	225.89	off 2.72
40 Utils	131.60	130.73	131.43	up 0.10
40 Fncl	22.90	22.53	22.58	off 0.19
500 Stocks	319.35	316.25	316.60	off 2.00

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#90262u1888 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	376.71	228.61	131.33	22.77	318.60
Opening	375.94	228.24	131.31	22.83	318.13
11 a.m.	375.31	227.67	131.10	22.79	317.59
Noon	374.98	227.66	131.25	22.70	317.33
1 p.m.	374.73	227.58	131.33	22.66	317.15
2 p.m.	373.69	226.86	131.03	22.66	316.72

3 p.m.	374.57	226.38	131.17	22.54	316.84
Close	374.05	225.89	131.43	22.58	316.60
Change	off 2.66	off 2.72	up 0.10	off 0.19	off 2.00

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#90262u1894 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (SEPT. 19) UPI - Ted Turner's new publishing division Thursday releases its first book, ''Portrait of Great Britain and Northern Ireland,'' a glossy 190-page ''coffee-table'' volume depicting the countries' people and landscapes.

The Turner Publishing Inc. book was inspired by a four-part documentary, ''Portrait of Great Britain,'' which aired on Turner Broadcasting System's ''Portrait of the World'' series earlier this year.

''We selected Portrait as our first publication because we are interested in projects that have tremendous international possibilities and universal, broad-based appeal,'' said Turner Publishing Vice President and Publisher Michael Reagan, who took the pictures that appear in the book.

The collection of 260 color photos features scenes from England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, with chapters on the prehistoric assembly of megaliths known as Stonehenge, the farms of Cotswolds, the city of London, the mines of Easington and the stately homes of Beaulieu.

The text was drawn from the words of the countries' inhabitants interviewed in preparation for the television series.

The next Turner Publishing product will be a book titled ''Kisses,'' celebrating famous kisses of American film stars taken from TBS's collection of MGM film classics.

The book, to be released by Valentine's Day 1991, will be co- published with Carol Publishing Group.

Earlier this year, Turner Publishing reached a licensing agreement with Little Brown Co. to publish ''Season of Giants,'' inspired by the Turner Network Television miniseries focusing on the Italian Renaissance rivalry between Michelangelo and Leonardo da Vinci.

Turner Publishing, created in November 1989, also supervises The Turner Tomorrow Award, a literary competition offering a prize of $500, 000 to the author who creates the best futuristic novel incorporating solutions to global problems.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.67	7.87	9.48
91-day Treasury bills	7.63	7.62	7.82
182-day Treasury bills	7.70	7.67	7.76
1-year Treasury bills	7.78	7.75	7.65
3-year Treasury notes	8.23	8.22	8.19
7-year Treasury notes	8.76	8.77	8.19
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	9.02	9.06	8.16
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.38	9.40	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.02	10.05	9.09
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.25	9.25	9.12
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.56	9.58	9.16
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.54	9.54	9.36
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.52	9.52	9.34

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	29.30-29.35	29.25-29.30
North Sea Brent	36.10-36.15	36.10-36.15
West Texas Intermed	33.15-33.20	33.40-33.50
Light Louisiana Sweet	32.40-32.50	34.95-35.10
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	91.40-91.65	93.35-93.60
No. 2 Heating oil	86.50-86.75	83.95-84.20
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	88.40-88.65	90.60-90.85
No. 2 Heating oil	85.15-85.40	82.95-83.15

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	241.50	241.50	239.15	239.15	240.40
Dec	242.80	243.00	240.90	241.00	242.20
Mar	....	....	....	243.75	245.10
Jun	....	....	....	246.75	248.10

Previous day volume: 272 contracts.
Open interest: 1,336 off 25

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	318.70	319.00	315.40	315.50	318.40
Dec	322.00	322.20	318.40	318.70	321.60
Mar	325.00	325.00	321.20	321.40	324.30
Jun	325.80	328.15	324.00	324.50	328.10

Today's estimated volume: 71,959 contracts.
Open interest: 159,957 off 324

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	175.10	175.25	173.40	173.45	174.90
Dec	176.75	176.95	174.75	175.05	176.60
Mar	178.10	178.10	177.10	176.45	178.05

Open interest: 7,220 up 269

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	530.75	531.80	525.00	525.35	530.15
Oct	533.00	533.80	527.10	527.40	531.90

Estimated volume 4,771 contracts.
Open interest: 8,946 up 491

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - NASDAQ over-the-counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	371.68	off	0.53	380.32	466.72
Industrial	398.51	off	0.70	406.45	452.55
Finance	369.96	up	0.37	379.33	556.06

Insurance	435.62	up	2.10	442.46	528.72
Utility	493.75	off	1.69	513.31	737.86
Bank	271.64	up	0.24	280.57	482.80
Transport	406.51	off	4.19	417.38	461.80

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 162.68 off 0.23

Industrial Index 157.31 off 0.28

NASDAQ-100 Index 377.55 off 1.31

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#90262u1934 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - The dollar rallied against all European currencies Wednesday in New York on Congressional testimony by Alan Greenspan, the Federal Reserve chairman, suggesting firm U.S. short-term interest rates.

Currency analysts interpreted Greenspan's remarks, in which he said the U.S. economy was not yet in recession and stressed the inflation threat, as a broad hint that the Fed was not in a hurry to ease credit.

David Jones, chief economist for the Aubrey G. Lanston & Co. investment bank in New York, saw ''a significant change in tone .. on the dollar.''

He said Greenspan's remarks ''suggested that further dollar declines would be unfavorable in terms of increasing import prices and thus raising inflation fears.'' This called for a policy of firm interest rates.

National Westminster Bank corporate trader Mark Morris added: ''The upshot of all of it is we're not likely to see interest rates drop.''

Late in the New York session, the dollar was quoted at 1.5725 German marks, up 2 pfennigs from 1.5525 marks Tuesday, and at 137.58 yen, down slightly from 137.75 yen the previous day.

Previously the Fed was not considered to be unduly concerned about the dollar slump of recent months. While inflationary where imports are concerned, a weak dollar can boost exports and help the manufacturing sector.

But expectations of a U.S. interest rate decline as rates overseas are moving up threatened to set off a dollar free fall. This could frighten away foreign investment and thereby drive up long-term interest rates.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.31 Swiss francs, ahead from 1.2890; 5.2660

French francs, up from 5.1865; and 1,174.25 Italian lire, up from 1,162.25.

Britain's pound fell off to $1.8845 from $1.9135.

In Europe, the dollar closed mostly higher against the main currencies on the U.S. central bank chairman's comments.

''The dollar strengthened because of Greenspan's comments that inflation and not recession was his priority,'' said Allan Chase, an economist with National Westminster Bank.

In London, the British pound was hurt by comments from Bundesbank head Karl Otto Pohl that Britain's double-digit inflation made sterling's entry into the European Exchange Rate Mechanism difficult any time soon.

It dropped three cents against the dollar to $1.8862 vs. $1.9180.

In Frankfurt the dollar rose to 1.5665 German marks from 1.5470 Tuesday, and was also up in Zurich, to 1.3060 Swiss francs from 1.2835.

The dollar fell slightly in Paris and Milan, to 5.1975 French francs vs. 5.2030 and 1,162.25 Italian lire vs. 1,162.55. But in Brussels it strengthened to 32.03 Belgian francs compared with 31.85.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar continued its recent gains against the Japanese yen, closing at 138.05 yen against 137.68 yen Tuesday.

The dollar was buoyed by its rally Tuesday in New York in spite of the poor U.S. economic figures released then.

''Investors bought back the dollar after they saw it didn't sag in New York,'' said currency manager Noburu Yokohashi of Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank.

Gold closed lower in Zurich at $386 an ounce vs. $387.50. It also declined in London, to $386.75 an ounce vs. $388.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $386.75 an ounce, off from $388.25 Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $386 an ounce, also off from $387.60.

Silver was unchanged in Zurich at $4.80 an ounce, but was higher in London at $4.83 an ounce from $4.80.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.79 an ounce, down from $4.82. Comex silver finished trading at $4.769 an ounce, down from $4.79.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 19) UPI - City officials Wednesday began investigating the collapse of two brick building facades that killed three tourists near the city's historic district and injured 10 others.

''We are checking the history of the buildings on Market Street and making safety checks on the ones that went down,'' said Cynthia Bayete, spokeswoman for the Department of Licenses and Inspections.

Improperly secured facades on the fronts of two downtown buildings collapsed Tuesday, crushing Carmen Garcia Burgia, 26, a newlywed from Spain, and her friends, Jose Dans, 60, and his wife Rosa, 55, of Hellertown, Pa.

Burgia's husband, Angel Amado, 30, suffered a broken leg and pelvis. Four police and nine others were hurt by falling debris or while helping pull bodies from the rubble.

Fire Commissioner Roger Ulshafer said the weight of signs and a security gate pulled the buildings down, creating chaos in one of the city's busiest shopping districts a half-dozen blocks from historic Independence Hall.

Bayete said the owner of the building, Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association, was cited in June for failing to get a permit or zoning variance for a sign that extended over the sidewalk.

''We are not saying that that or anything else is the cause. There are several possibilities,'' said Bayete, declining to elaborate.

PMA officials did not return a call for comment.

The city's investigation, involving 10 people from four city offices, focused on records and permits issued to the building's owner for the last 20 years.

''Our people were out there yesterday into the night, and were there today and will be several more times before we conclude the investigation,'' Bayete said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	120,866,500
Advances	870
Declines	936
Unchanged	2,446
Total	4,252

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	21	22	11
New lows	136	183	92

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	581	49,080,200
Declines	887	81,385,300
Unchanged	499	17,064,500
Total	1,967	147,530,000

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#90262u1968 09/19/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 19) UPI - Crude oil prices fell slightly Wednesday but had regained most of their earlier losses caused by an unexpected rise in U.S. gasoline inventories, while relative quiet prevailed in the Persian Gulf.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery ended the day on the New York Mercantile Exchange down 23 cents to $33.18 a barrel after having traded as much as $1.16 below Tuesday's close.

After opening at $32.31 a barrel on the Merc, ''WTI slowly crept up all day. It never showed any signs of turning back,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading at New York's United Energy Inc.

The trader said buying may have been given a spur by a report that Colombia had announced it was going to stop crude exports of nearly 200, 000 barrels a day as a result of weekend pipeline bombing by guerillas.

''I think the market was looking for a reason to firm up,'' Bentz said.

Unleaded gasoline for October delivery, which had dropped 3.61 cents from Tuesday's close earlier, finished the day down 1.71 cents at 89.90 cents a gallon.

October-delivery heating oil finished the day up 2.10 cents to 88.53 cents a gallon after being down 1.63 cents in earlier trading.

Late Tuesday, the oil industry's American Petroleum Institute reported gasoline inventories last week rose 5.9 million barrels from the prior week to 217 million, close to year-ago levels of 218.6 million barrels.

The API also reported that heating oil supplies rose 1.6 million barrels to 131.7 million, more than 10 million barrels above last year, while crude oil

stocks dropped 4.5 million barrels.

''It's the disappointing API statistics report, particularly gasoline,'' said Kirk Kinnear, a trader with Salomon Brothers' Greenwich, Conn.-based Phibro division, in explaining the drop in early trading Wednesday.

He said the market had been expecting ''a breakeven or a drawdown in gasoline stocks.''

The unanticipated rise in gasoline inventories was ''a big number, one of the biggest I can remember,'' the trader said.

With the Sept. 3 Labor Day holiday weekend marking the end of the heavy summerdriving season, the API statistics also indicated daily demand for U.S. gasoline dropped 600,000 barrels - 8 percent - to 6.8 million barrels, said Bentz.

The United States accounts for about 25 percent of the world's oil consumption.

''The pullback in the products weighed on crude prices,'' Bentz said. ''Profit taking in the European market is also putting pressure on us,'' he added.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was unchanged at $36.10 a barrel after being down $1.40 at midday.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light, the key Middle East crude shipped mainly to the Far East, was up 5 cents to $29.30 a barrel after being down $1.25 at midday.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, WTI for prompt delivery lost 25 cents to $32.15 a barrel.

Wednesday was one of the few days since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait that the Middle East crisis didn't dominate oil markets.

''There was no news in the market,'' Bentz said.

Iraq passed a law allowing it to seize assets of governments and companies that have frozen Iraqi assets abroad and declared it was no longer responsible for the safety of foreign property in occupied Kuwait and Iraq.

That move came as the U.N. Security Council prepared to discuss an air embargo against Iraq to tighten enforcement of economic sanctions imposed after the invasion.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Genl Electric	3,042,800	56 1/8	off	2 1/2
Philip Morris	2,971,200	46	up	7/8
Merck & Co	2,908,900	76 7/8	off	3 1/8
Occidntl Pet	2,567,600	21 3/8	off	1 3/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	2,470,600	26 1/2	off	1
IBM Corp	2,189,100	108 3/8	up	1 1/8
AmGen	2,033,700	33 5/8	off	6 3/8
RJR Nabisco wt	1,814,300	5 3/4	unch	
Eastman Kodak	1,607,400	42 1/8	up	1/2
Primerica	1,433,100	21 1/4	off	1 7/8
Waste Mangment	1,403,100	34 5/8	up	1/2
Chase Manhtan	1,230,500	13 7/8	off	1 1/8
Wal-Mart Strs	1,180,000	26 3/4	off	1/4
MBIA Inc	1,160,800	28 1/2	off	3 3/8
AT&T Company	1,114,500	30 7/8	off	1/4

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	5
New lows	64

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	225	4,333,500
Declines	307	4,061,000
Unchanged	255	1,875,500
Total	787	10,270,000

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	174.70	173.77	173.91	off 0.97
Industrial	218.78	217.54	217.75	off 1.37
Transport	139.45	138.49	138.49	off 0.75
Utility	83.69	83.48	83.69	off 0.02
Finance	119.72	118.32	118.46	off 1.10

Equivalent to a loss of 17 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 147,530,000 shares.

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#90262u1983 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 19) UPI - On a 256-155 vote largely along party lines, the House today approved a 283-BILLION-dollar defense authorization bill. The measure... which is under a veto threat because it kills the B-2 Stealth bomber... includes one-BILLION dollars for Operation Desert Shield items such as danger pay for military personnel in Saudi Arabia. The House bill now must be reconciled with a 289-BILLION-dollar version adopted by the Senate.

The Senate Appropriations Committee is giving a boost today to the federally subsidized crop insurance program the Bush administration has proposed ending. Today, the panel voted to supply full funding to the program in fiscal 1991. This past summer, the House in effect voted the crop insurance program out of existence by funding it only through September 30th.

A Los Angeles Superior Court judge has agreed to hear arguments tomorrow for cutting the five-Million-dollar bail set for former Lincoln Savings operator Charles Keating. The 66-year-old Keating and three co- defendants were jailed yesterday after being indicted on charges of defrauding mostly elderly investors... who spent 250-Million dollars on now-worthless junk bonds.

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#90262u1994 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 19) UPI - A senior trade negotiator in Mexico says his country won't insist on opening the U-S border to Mexican workers in forthcoming free-trade talks with the United States. U-S officials have said Mexico would like to include labor as a service during the talks, effectively opening U-S labor markets to Mexican workers... a move Washington would oppose. But the Mexican official insists Mexico wants to export goods- NOT workers.

A Florida manufacturer is offering to replace defective buckles on up to three-Million child safety seats. Robert Potter, an attorney for Evenflo Juvenile Furniture Company of Tampa, says the buckles on Evenflo car seats have popped up when improperly fastened. The car seats were made between April 15th, 1985, and April 22nd, 1990, at the company's Piqua, Ohio, plant and other locations.

Police in Milford, Connecticut, say they have NO leads in the theft of 60-thousand dollars worth of collectible antique teddy bears stolen from a couple who chucked their careers to peddle the stuffed animals. Police say

Larry Idema and his wife Ellen have little hope of finding the 300 burgled bears, including one worth five-thousand dollars. Investigators traced the Idemas' stolen truck and trailer to a blighted housing project but found only one muddy little bear.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	373.76	371.51	371.68	off 0.53
Industrial	401.10	398.48	398.51	off 0.70
Finance	370.70	369.25	369.96	up 0.37
Insurance	436.53	433.96	435.62	up 2.10
Utility	498.35	491.50	493.75	off 1.69
Bank	273.06	270.58	271.64	up 0.24
Transport	412.37	405.38	406.51	off 4.19

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-23) 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	157.31	off 0.28
Industrial Index	162.68	off 0.23
NASDAQ-100 Index	377.55	off 1.31
(largest non-fin'cl)		
Average price per share	8.49	off 0.02
Volume	89,744,800	shares
Advances	726	
Declines	737	
Unchanged	1,346	
Total	2,809	

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#90262u2001 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Stocks closed lower Wednesday in very quiet trading, reflecting early selling tied to a bleak assessment of the economy made by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 3.96 Tuesday, fell 13.86 to close at 2557.43.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index lost 0.97 to 173.91 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index eased 2.00 to 316.60. The price of an average share dropped 17 cents.

Declines outpaced advances, 887-582, among the 1,968 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 147,530,000 shares, up from 141, 130,000 traded Tuesday.

In prepared testimony for his appearance before the Joint Economic Committee of Congress, Greenspan said the surge in oil prices resulting from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait threatened to push the economy into recession. But he stopped short of saying one has already begun.

Greenspan also did not indicate whether the Fed was inclined to pump up the sluggish economy by lowering interest rates.

Whether the Fed ''would seek higher, lower or unchanged interest rates will depend on the specifics of the situation, which are shifting day by day,'' Greenspan said. One aspect of the interest-rate question is whether an agreement can be worked out on cutting the size of the federal budget deficit by congressional and administration negotiators, he said.

That remark threw cold water on hopes that an interest-rate cut was in the offing, and stocks and bonds both fell.

''Greenspan didn't say it, but 'recession' was on his lips,'' said James Andrews, first vice president in charge of institutional trading at Janney Montgomery Scott Inc. in Philadelphia.

Bonds recovered in the afternoon, however, up about 1/2 point after the midday release of a periodic Fed economic report known as the ''beige book.'' It depicted a sputtering economy.

''The beige book indicated we're slowing in areas,'' said Andrews. ''That was another factor today.'' The report showed the economy was especially weak in the Northeast and mid-Atlantic regions.

But aside from Greenspan's testimony and the Fed report, Andrews said there was ''not much happening in the market today. There's just no pizzazz, no volume.''

Even the market's decline Wednesday had no punch, he said. ''The market wasn't down because of any panic selling. It was just a case where no one wants to step up and buy,'' said Andrews. ''That's been a fact for the last three or fourweeks.''

Andrews noted the drop in oil prices and said that it should have given stocks some kind of boost but that traders' attention was squarely focused on the Fed chairman's remarks.

A major factor in the Dow's decline was a selloff in Merck stock, trading in

which opened long after the start of NYSE trading Wednesday morning as a result of order imbalances.

The Dow had recovered to unchanged levels after early weakness but fell suddenly again when Merck opened with a loss of $4 a share - said to be because of a stock rating downgrade by Vector Securities amid concerns about the effectiveness of Merck's prostate drug, Proscar.

On the trading floor, General Electric was the most active issue, tumbling 2 1/2 to 56 1/8.

Philip Morris followed, up 7/8 to 46. Merck was third, sinking 3 1/8 to 76 7/8.

Mortgage investor Fannie Mae was also active, down 1 to 26 1/2, apparently reflecting fading optimism about interest rates.

Prime Motor Inns was heavily traded as well, up 1/8 to 5/8 after plunging Tuesday when the company filed for Chapter 11 federal bankruptcy protection.

Among other blue chips, Eastman Kodak rose 1/2 to 42 1/8, IBM gained 1 1/8 to 108 3/8, Primerica fell 1 7/8 to 21 1/4, Procter & Gamble lost 1 1/8 to 75 1/4 AT&T eased 3/8 to 30 3/4, Coca-Cola dropped 1 1/2 to 39 3/4 and McDonald's lost 5/8 to 26 1/4.

Elsewhere, Pitney Bowes tumbled 4 1/8 to 30 1/8 after saying it expects 1990 earnings to be below year-ago levels. The company also said it would no longer remanufacture used copier equipment and will take a third-quarter charge of $86 million as a result.

American General plunged 6 3/8 to 33 5/8. Its board has authorized management to add a restructuring plan as an alternative to the sale of the company, which American General is also pursuing.

And Corroon & Black sank 3 1/2 to 32 after rejecting a $40-a-share takeover offer from Aon Corp. in favor of a stock-swap merger already agreed to with Britain's Willis Faber PLC.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 176,384,940 shares, vs. 169,438,210 traded in the previous session.

Prices closed lower in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index fell 0.72 to close at 318.97. Declines led advances 308-226 among the 788 issues traded. The price of an average share lost 3 cents. Composite volume totaled 12,002,000 shares, vs. 12,647,200 traded Tuesday.

Energy Service led the Amex issues, up 1/8 to 3 7/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index closed down 0.53 to 371.68.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	65,466,832	33 7/8	up 3/8
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	47,045,824	32 1/2	off 7/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	42,533,076	62	up 1/4
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	38,189,820	43 1/2	off 2 1/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	36,650,552	48 3/4	off 3/4
SciMed Life	(SMLS)	33,020,024	28 1/4	off 2 1/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	30,713,488	69 7/8	off 1 1/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	27,449,974	31 7/8	off 1/4
Adobe Systms	(ADBE)	19,761,636	24	off 1
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	18,993,406	29 3/8	unch

Composite Index 162.68 off 0.23

NMS volume 89,744,800 shares.

Advances	726
Declines	737
Unchanged	1,346
Total	2,809

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#90262u2022 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 19) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6125	off 25
Rhone P pfC	20 3/4	off 6 1/2
AmGen	33 5/8	off 6 3/8
UAL Corp	100	off 5
Pitney Bowes	30 1/8	off 4 1/8
Wash Post	229	off 4
Walt Disney	90 3/8	off 3 3/4
Coroon & Black	32	off 3 1/2
Phila El pf	99	up 3 1/2
Clair's Strs	12	off 3 3/8

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#90262u2024 09/19/1990 ~United Press International
RENO, NE (SEPT. 19) UPI - A federal bankruptcy trustee is the new ''madam'' at the Mustang Ranch and says she will run the legal brothel ''like any other business.''

But first Jeri Coppa needs a staff since the bordello's ''working girls'' left the Mustang Ranch before federal officials closed it Tuesday because the owner tax criminal Joe Conforte, missed a payment on his tax bill.

''I will run it like any other business, a bar or a store,'' Coppa said. ''The point is, an operating business sells better than one that is shut down.''

Coppa acted as trustee for a bankrupt brothel near Fallon several years ago. It never sold and creditors eventually foreclosed.

Conforte, apparently acting on advance notice that bankruptcy court intended to liquidate his bawdy business, had closed the bordello and sent his employees away before receiving formal notice.

Coppa said the prostitutes were out on the street with no where to go and urged them to return to the 105-room Mustang Ranch, which is located about 12 miles east of Reno in Storey County where brothels are legal under county law.

Conforte's much publicized attempts to sell the brothel through public stock offerings for about $23 million failed twice in recent years.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge James Thompson converted the 5-year-old Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceeding into Chapter 7 at the request of the IRS, clearing the way for liquidation.

Coppa said Conforte had failed to meet a $75,000 monthly payment schedule to satisfy a $12 million or $13 million debt in back taxes.

But Peter Perry, Conforte's Reno lawyer, said the brothel owner owed the government about $5 million. He said the government was presented with an offer by a prospective buyer Tuesday but turned it down. He did not identify the would-be buyer.

''The IRS was given a proposed $5 million purchase,'' Perry said. ''The sale would have satisfied the debt. The government would have agreed to the price but wanted to harass the Confortes. Every time they get to a sale, the IRS turns it down.''

Perry also accused the IRS of quashing the public stock offerings in the Mustang Ranch and of seeking revenge against Conforte and his wife, Sally. He

declined to elaborate.

Conforte was sentenced to four consecutive five-year prison terms in 1977 on four counts of federal tax evasion. The 9th Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the four-count conviction and one five-year sentence in 1980 but reversed the other three prison terms and remanded the case back to the lower court for resentencing.

Shortly after the Supreme Court denied Conforte's petition for review on Dec. 1, 1980, Conforte fled to Brazil.

He returned to Nevada 1983 to testify against then U.S. District Judge Harry Claiborne with the agreement that his prison sentences and tax liabilities be reduced. Conforte subsequently served less than two years in prison and his estimated $20 million tax bill was sizeably reduced.

Claiborne, who once acted as Conforte's attorney, was impeached and sentenced to prison for tax evasion. However, Conforte's testimony did not help obtain the conviction.

Conforte testified at Claiborne's first trial in Reno, but his testimony about an alleged bribe weakened the government's case to such an extent that a second tax trial was required in order to eliminate Conforte's bribery allegations from the case.

The Mustang Ranch is located about 12 miles east of Reno in Storey County, where prostitution houses are legal.

If all goes well at the employee meeting, Knudson said, the 105-room brothel could be back in business by Wednesday night, but state regulations that keep the operation legal may stand in the way.

''We've hit a couple of snags (because) the girls left,'' he said. ''When the girl leaves the gates, her (medical) certificate becomes invalid. They need to come back and get a doctor's certificate and an HIV clearance before they can come back.

''Storey County is going to want certain documents before they let these girls go to work, which is OK by me,'' Knudson said.

Knudson said federal bankruptcy management of ''the oldest profession'' is no different from any other business takeover. Coppa had taken charge of another financially-troubled Storey County bordello in the community of Salt Wells in 1982.

''This is just another business in Nevada,'' he said, ''just like a 7-11 store. The only thing that might be different around here is a face or two that they don't know, watching where the money goes.''

Knudson said he did not know how long the government would hold the reins at the ranch, but, he said, ''We're going to be here a long time.''

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#90262u2044 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

PRINCETON, N.J. (SEPT. 19) UPI - More than a century of tradition is to fall Sunday at Princeton University when the all-male Ivy Club allows women to apply for membership, the club's undergraduate president said Wednesday.

''We will be 'bickering' women starting this Sunday, in compliance with the court decision,'' said Blair Haarlow, referring to an order Tuesday by U.S. District Judge John Lifland.

Bickering is the term for membership drives similar to the student ''rush'' employed by fraternities and sororities.

The ruling to admit women came after Lifland was asked to resurrect the Ivy Club's 1986 suit against New Jersey that claims that Ivy, as a social club, has the right to pick its members.

Lifland has agreed to hear the suit but ruled the club has such a slim chance of winning that it must comply with previous orders to admit women to the eating club.

About 65 percent of the students eat at Princeton's 13 eating clubs, which are the campus equivalent of fraternities and sororities. The clubs date to the late 1800s.

The judge's ruling was the latest in a sex-discrimination suit filed 11 years ago by Sally Frank, a Princeton law student who now teaches at Drake University.

Frank said the men-only policies of the Ivy, Tiger and Cottage eating clubs violated New Jersey law barring sex discrimination in public accomodations.

The Cottage Club voted to admit women in 1986 and the New Jersey Supreme Court ordered the Tiger and Ivy clubs to do the same. Members of both clubs have also given preliminary approval to allowing women.

The Tiger Club was ordered to admit women at its next membership drive in the spring.

Haarlow wasn't sure what the effect of the judge's order would be on Sunday's membership drive. ''At this point we don't know (if any women will apply),'' he said.

He said the club voted to admit women last spring, though a second vote is needed to make changes in club policy permanent.

Asked if admitting women would improve the Tiger Club, Haarlow said, ''I hope so. I think it will be a change and I think it will be better.

''There's a certain sense of anticipation - there's no dread,'' he said.

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#90262u2072 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 441.72, off 0.55 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90262u2080 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - Effective family planning methods could reduce the number of infant and child deaths in the Third World by 20 percent - about 3 million people - the Population Crisis Committee said Wednesday.

The study said that such infant deaths could be reduced by at least 1.8 million just by increasing the length of time between births to a minimum of two years - an effort that would cost only $20 per couple for clinic services, contraceptives and building the infrastructure of a comprehensive family planning program, the committee said.

''Through family planning, the cycle of weak mothers giving birth to weak children can be broken,'' said Sharon Camp, senior vice president of the committee. ''Family planning should be the first step toward improving child survival. It gives both mothers and children a chance.''

The Population Crisis Committee's analysis of the connection between family planning and infant mortality is contained in a new report, ''Family Planning and Child Survival,'' prepared for the United Nation's Children's Summit, which will begin at the United Nations at the end of September.

Some 60 heads of state, including President Bush, are expected to address the conference, which hopes to draw attention to a host of ills affecting children around the globe.

The anlaysis by the Population Crisis Committee brings together material from a growing body of literature that suggests a dramatic relationship between childbearing patterns and the health of both mothers and children.

According to the analysis, two factors are consistently related to deaths among both mothers and children:

-Births less than two years apart.

-Childbirth before age 20.

Short birth intervals, according to the PCC analysis, ''pose the greatest risk to the health of children.''

The PCC analysis showed that a child born less than two years after a previous child has a 60 percent to 70 percent higher risk of dying in infancy - before age 1 - and even after age 1 there is still a 50 percent higher risk of dying by age five.

Children born to mothers under age 20 are a third more likely to die before age 5 than children born to mothers aged 25 to 34. It said, for example, a first child born to an adolescent mother has an 80 percent higher chance of dying before age 5 than a second or third child of a mother 25 to 34.

Camp said the improved patterns of childbearing could not be brought about without the extensive use of effective, modern contraception.

She also said that studies show that about half of all women in developing countries do not want any more children, suggesting enormous potential to avoid child deaths by preventing unwanted births.

''If developing country birthrates were cut in half, to 15 births per 1,000 population per year, the average family would have only two children - about replacement level.

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#90262u2081 09/19/1990 ~United Press International
WESTPORT, CT (SEPT. 19) UPI - Nearly 9 tons of milk packaged in cartons that do not require refrigeration is being shipped to Jordan with plans to get it to women and children first, officials said Wednesday.

The shipment was arranged by Save the Children, a Westport-based relief organization that has been sending medical and food supplies into Jordan since Aug. 20.

More than 28,000 units weighing nearly 9 tons were scheduled to be flown to Jordan Wednesday night from Kennedy International Airport in New York, officials said.

''We will make every effort to distribute this milk to children and women first,'' said Barnett Baron, vice president of international programs for Save

the Children.

The planeload of milk was the first of several shipments of food, medicine and other supplies that Save the Children planned to send to Jordan from the United States, Baron said.

The milk was donated by the Aseptic Packaging Council, which represents Tetra Pak Inc. of Shelton and Combibloc Inc. of Columbus, Ohio, which manufacture the drink boxes.

The fresh milk is packaged and sterilized at high temperatures in the soft-sided boxes, which maintain freshness for up to a year without refrigeration or preservatives, officials said.

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#90262u2085 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - As the ink dried on the settlement saving the New York Post, union officials and management at the Daily News Wednesday assessed the status of their own contract talks, aimed at keeping New York's largest tabloid alive.

Representatives of the 10 unions at the News have been unsuccessful all year in landing a contract with management, which has taken a markedly different negotiating position than Post owner Peter Kalikow.

A federal mediator postponed face-to-face talks between News management and the Newspaper Guild scheduled for Wednesday. Talks with the machinists union were set for Thursday, a News spokeswoman said.

Reporters, editorial workers, photographers and advertising employees agreed Monday to a reduced work week, pay cuts, and 43 less jobs so the nation's oldest daily newspaper could remain in business.

Kalikow practically guaranteed the ''yes'' vote when he offered buyouts to any employee who chose to resign by 5 p.m. Wednesday.

Union officials said similar concessions could be worked out with the News if management expressed a genuine interest in negotiating instead of trying to portray the unions as the cause of the paper's financial problems.

News spokesman John Sloan, meanwhile, said, ''The implications for the News are probably negligable because the aims and circumstances at the News are vastly different from the Post's.''

Sloan urged the union to refrain from making ''contentious and accusatory commentary which exacerbates our differences in negotiations.''

The agreement credited with saving the Post came after Kalikow allowed the union to scrutinize his financial records to prove his claims that the paper needed more than $27 million in savings to continue publishing.

The News has steadfastly refused to let union accountants review the books, but instead has blamed the paper's losses on union overmanning and featherbedding for keeping the paper in red ink.

Theodore Kheel, an unpaid advisor to the unions, said the News's strategy ''has been decimated by the Post settlement, but that doesn't mean they'll abandon it.''

The Post owner gave unionized employees 20 percent ownership of the company, a move a Newspaper Guild spokesman said would be accepted if made by the Chicago-based Tribune Co., which owns the News.

''We'll give them a lot of the concessions we gave the Post if they give us 20 percent of the Tribune stock,'' said the union spokesman, Tom Pennacchio.

''Kalikow said, 'I need help,' and the unions accomodated him,'' Pennacchio said. ''We've said openly we would be receptive if the News asked for relief.''

In an interview to be broadcast Wednesday on cable's CNBC's ''McLaughlin,'' Kheel said, ''The only solution that has some possibility of saving the News is for the Tribune Company to put it up for sale. ... I do know there is at least one bidder.''

Said Kheel, ''The unions have invited the News to adopt an approach similar to that taken by Kalikow ... but that would mean abandoning its basic strategy of trying to make the unions irrelevant.''

Union officials have said management wants them to strike so they can replace them with non-union employees.

''The difference between the Post and News is simple,'' Pennacchio said. ''The News wants to get rid of the unions. The Post never did.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.27	9.94
Anchor Fund Inv	14.27	15.14
Delaware Mutual	16.71	17.92
Fidelity Fund	16.49	16.49
Investors Mutual	10.79	11.36
Investors Stocks	18.06	19.01
Investors Select	8.24	8.67

IDS Equity Plus	8.90	9.37
Mass Inv Growth	8.15	8.79
Nicholas Fund	3.27	3.27
United Accumulated	6.27	6.85
United Income	16.50	18.03
Vanguard Wellington	15.96	15.96

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#90262u2099 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

SOFIA, Bulgaria (SEPT. 19) UPI - Prime Minister Andrei Loukanov named a new all-Socialist government early Thursday and promised to begin work within two weeks on a program to stabilize the economy.

If approved by the Parliament, the new Cabinet will represent a continuation of one-party rule by the Bulgarian Socialist Party, the successor to the Communist Party that has dominated Bulgaria since 1944.

The opposition led by the Union of Democratic Forces rejected repeated invitations to join the Socialists in a coalition government.

Loukanov, reading his list of Cabinet nominees at a late-night session of the National Assembly, promised to present within two weeks a program of radical reforms designed to combat inflation and stabilize the economy.

Although all the nominees are Socialists, the proposed Cabinet is expected to become Bulgaria's first democratically elected government in 44 years.

The Socialists won historic multi-party balloting in June and control 53 percent of the seats in the parliament, more than enough to ensure approval of Loukanov's nominees.

Several ministers in the current acting Cabinet were renominated to their old posts, although there were also a number of new faces. Loukanov also announced the creation of several new ministries and the restructuring of others.

After the list of nominees was presented, UDF spokesman Stoyan Ganev told the parliament his group would work the new government in a ''new spirit of constructive opposition.''

The UDF had set a number of conditions for participating in a Socialist-led coalition government, including the acceptance by the Socialists of the UDF's program of radical economic reform.

The opposition also insisted that key economic positions be awarded to officials who were untainted by association with the hard-line government of Todor Zhivkov. Zhivkov was overthrown Nov. 10 by moderate communists who relinquished their guaranteed monopoly on political power and organized free

elections.

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#90262u2105 09/19/1990 ~United Press International
BEIRUT (SEPT. 19) UPI - Rival Christian forces battled with heavy arms Wednesday along frontlines in east Beirut after a bomb blast struck the American University of Beirut in the Moslem sector of the divided city.

Police said followers of Gen. Michel Aoun and militia chief Samir Geagea engaged in two hours of violence, trading fire with mortars, rockets and automatic weapons.

Blasts after nightfall forced some residents of the Christian part of the capital to seek refuge in underground shelters, radio reports said. There were no reports of casualties.

Aoun 15,000-man force in east Beirut has engaged Geagea's 10,000 men in street fighting since last January.

The general has refused to relinquish his power to Elias Hrawi, who was elected president following a peace accord worked out by the Lebanese parliament in Taif, Saudi Arabia, last October.

Moslem security sources reported that 10 of Aoun's officers and 60 other military personnel fled the general's enclave to join the 20,000- strong force of army Gen. Emile Lahoud.

Witnesses have reported mounting reinforcements by Lahoud's army around Aoun's region in a tactic to increase pressures on the renegade general.

But pro-Syrian officials warn that they might oust Aoun by force.

Early Wednesday, a small bomb blew up in the AUB campus in Moslem west Beirut, causing some material damage, a university official said.

The official, who requested anonymity, said the home-made bomb went off near the residence of AUB Deputy President Ibrahim Salti ''who was out of campus when the explosion occurred.''

He said AUB security guards found another small bomb before it went off.

The AUB's Board of Trustees has recently decided to close down the university's Off Campus Program in east Beirut, triggering uproar by Christian leaders and figures.

The program was introduced in the early days of the civil war that erupted in 1975 and divided the nation along sectarian lines.

AUB has been a frequent target of terrorism in recent years.

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#90262u2125 09/19/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 19) UPI - The State Department says only one more flight will leave Kuwait to evacuate American women and children. Spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler says U-S officials believe that most Americans who can get out of Iraq and Kuwait have already left... and the last evacuation flight will leave on Saturday. So far, about 17-hundred Americans... mainly women and children... have been airlifted out of Kuwait and Iraq since the August 2nd Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Defense Secretary Cheney today approved imminent danger pay for about 150-thousand U-S military personnel in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf waters. The move would provide each service man and woman an extra 110 dollars a month, regardless of rank. Cheney says the supplemental benefit to the troops on the front lines is an appropriate step given the risks they face and the harsh conditions in which they serve.

The cost of delays launching the space shuttle Columbia have topped three-Million dollars. But NASA officials say the cost of tests to track down the source of elusive hydrogen leaks aboard Columbia, lost fuel, overtime and travel expenses is minuscule compared to the overall price of a shuttle launch... more than 300-Million dollars. Officials also cite the need to make absolutely sure that NO dangerous leaks are present at launch that could endanger a shuttle or its crew.

Sources at Cape Canaveral say the launch of a powerful Air Force Titan-4 rocket carrying a classified military satellite has been delayed at least 24 hours, apparently because of a problem with the rocket or its payload. The sources say the unmanned rocket... which was set to lift off around midnight... now won't be launched until late tomorrow. Unlike other military rockets, all Titan-4 launches are conducted in secrecy with NO advance warning of launch dates or times.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - The Federal Reserve issued a new ''beige book'' today, giving its analysis of how the economy is performing across the nation. The Fed reports that the Northeast and mid-Atlantic regions are the weakest right now- from an economic standpoint. But there are pockets of strength. The Mideast, the Midwest and the West Coast all report slow growth.

Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan acknowledged the slow growth today in testimony on Capitol Hill but warned that the economy is headed for a recession. He said

high oil prices brought on by the Persian Gulf crisis have increased inflation and inhibited business expansion. Greenspan is already referring to the Gulf crisis as the ''1990 oil shock.''

The Senate Judiciary Committee concluded five days of testimony today in confirmation hearings on Supreme Court nominee David Souter. The panel heard this week from Souter and more than 40 other witnesses- both pro and con. Feminists and abortion-rights groups were unable to foment opposition to the nominee- although a group of feminist leaders clashed with Republican senators on the panel last night and today demanded an apology for being treated like- quote- ''bad girls.''

A federal Appeals Court in New York has upheld a U-S ban on funding for foreign agencies that counsel women on abortions. The ban applies to agencies even if they pay for abortion counseling with other funding. The Planned Parenthood Federation of America says the ruling will be felt in developing countries, where illegal abortions are one of the leading causes of death for women.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Amer Sowest Mtge Inv	Q	.22	10-15	9-28
FlightSafety Intl	Q	.06	11-16	10-22
Key Production Co	S	.15	10-31	9-28
Usual				
Ameritech	Q	.79	11-1	9-28
Apache Corp	Q	.07	10-31	9-28
Aztec Mfg Co	Q	.02 1/2	10-19	10-5
Bangor Hydro Electric	Q	.31	10-20	9-30
Bank of Braintree	Q	.09	10-15	9-28
Capital Cities/ABC	Q	.05	10-22	10-1
CIM High Yld Scrts	..	.07	10-8	9-28
DS Bancor	..	.30	10-16	10-1
Firstfed Michigan	Q	.15	11-15	10-10
HRE Properties	..	.45	10-23	9-28
Keystone Intl Inc	Q	.15	11-21	11-5
Rochester Gas & Elec	Q	.39	10-25	10-5
St Joseph Lt & Pwr	Q	.40	11-19	11-2
Stone & Webster Inc	Q	.30	11-15	10-1
Tech/Ops Landauer Inc	Q	.20	10-16	10-1
United Dominion RT	Q	.31	10-31	10-12

United Natl Bancorp	Q	.23	11-1	10-15
UST Corp	Q	.15 3/4	10-15	9-30
West Newton Svgs Bk	Q	.04	10-16	9-28

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S-Semi-Annual

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LAGOS (SEPT. 19) UPI - More than 200 Nigerian children died last month after taking contaminated doses of an analgesic used to treat fever and health officials banned the drug, it was reported Wednesday.

The children, mostly between 6 months and 6 years, were given paracetamol syrup at three government-run hospitals but a preliminary investigation blamed a falsely labeled poisonous chemical that caused kidney failure, according to the British Broadcasting Corp.

Paracetamol syrup is a widely prescribed analgesic for children under 10.

The Nigerian Federal Ministry of Health said it had no choice but to ban sales of paracetamol syrup until the source and scope of the problem are identified.

About 100 manufacturers of the syrup in Nigeria protested the ban but it was not known how many brands were contaminated.

Nigeria is among several African countries troubled in the past by contaminated drugs.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - Iraq today said it is NO longer responsible for what happens to foreign property in Iraq and occupied Kuwait. That's part of a law passed by Iraq's ruling Revolution Command Council allowing Baghdad to seize assets of governments and companies that have frozen Iraqi assets abroad. The move is likely to further aggravate tensions with the West. It came as the U-N Security Council prepared to discuss an air embargo against Iraq.

The International Monetary Fund says rising oil prices from the Persian Gulf crisis will weaken the world's economic output this year and push inflation higher. But the I-M-F says in its world economic outlook that the oil shock is NOT expected to be as severe as that of the 1970's. It projects that the world's economy will slow to about two percent growth this year... down from three percent in 1989.

White House plans to forgive six-point-seven-BILLION dollars in military debt for Egypt in exchange for support in the Persian Gulf crisis ran into trouble

today during a House foreign-affairs subcommittee. Representatives expressed concern about setting a potentially costly precedent at a time when the government caN'T afford the money.

The Senate Judiciary Committee concluded testimony today in the confirmation hearings of Supreme Court nominee David Souter. The interviews with Souter and more than 40 other witnesses did NOT arouse any notable opposition to the conservative New Hampshire jurist. The lone bit of fireworks was a volatile exchange yesterday between feminist leaders and Republican members of the panel.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - A published study says high doses of the inhaled drug aerosol pentamidine are effective in preventing AIDS-related pneumonia. The University of California-San Francisco study found that of 139 AIDS sufferers taking large doses of the drug, only eight developed pneumonia. A test group of 135 people receiving much smaller doses produced 22 pneumonia cases.

The number of infant and child deaths in the Third World could be reduced by 20 percent... or about three-Million people... through family planning. That's according to the Population Crisis Committee. A study by the committee says that infant deaths could be reduced by at least one-point-eight-Million just by increasing the length of time between births to a minimum of two years.

In Dallas, a black county official reportedly warns that open warfare could break out if the city hires a police chief who is insensitive to minorities. The Dallas Morning News quotes Dallas County Commissioner John Wiley Price as saying- ''If you try to bring in a 'good old boy' in this system, we're going to be in the streets.'' Price says he would advocate violence against police only if police are violent against civilians.

Experts on ocean fishing told a House subcommittee today that the growing popularity of swordfish as a seafood is endangering the species. They are seeking conservation measures to revive the swordfish. Massachusetts Democrat Gerry Studds says the U-S fishing industry should NOT bear the brunt of conservation efforts, but that the government should lead the way in persuading other countries- particularly Spain- to join the effort.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 19) UPI - The increased price of oil and its worldwide inflationary impact will top the agenda when economic officials of the seven largest industralized nations meet Saturday in Washington, analysts said Wednesday.

But the so-called Group of Seven was expected merely to underscore the organization's stance of firm monetary policy to counter inflationary pressures, rather than taking new collective actions to offset the effects of more costly oil.

An exception to this could be a G-7 endorsement of an initiative by the major economic powers to cushion the devastating effects of higher oil prices on countries in the developing world, some analysts said.

But no significant policy realignment either on currency exchange rates or on the world interest-rate structure was anticipated.

''I tend to take the view that right now, given the (Persian Gulf) crisis, all the major economies are pretty clear as to what they can do and can't do,'' said Richard O'Brien, chief economist of the London- based American Express Bank.

He said G-7 officials meeting in the U.S. capital before the annual meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank may try to reassure nervous world financial markets that are punchy from the Iraq oil shock.

''It will be a balancing act,'' O'Brien said when asked what he thought the G-7 stance would be. ''The world isn't going to end, but we're going to have to do something.''

The G-7 nations are the United States, Japan, West Germany, France, Italy, Great Britain and Canada.

David Jones, chief economist of Aubrey C. Lanston & Co. in New York, said G-7 officials will lay the strongest stress on the inflationary threat.

Officials ''do not want to repeat the mistakes of the 1970s, when almost all central banks eased prematurely in response to the (oil) shock out of fear of recession and ... created a raging inflation psychology,'' he said.

Earlier this week, David Mulford, Treasury under secretary for international affairs, confirmed oil would dominate the weekend discussions.

G-7 finance ministers and central bank governors will ''make an assessment of (the impact of) oil price increases on the global economy, '' he told reporters at a briefing. ''Some countries are more heavily impacted than others.''

Although the Mideast crisis has sent oil prices soaring, Mulford said the group would try to discern the longer-range implications. ''I don't think we should hang on each day's movement in (the oil) price,'' he said.

''We are very concerned that there should be a continuation of growth in the

world economy,'' Mulford added. G-7 officials, therefore, will also talk about ''what higher interest rates mean for the market.''

Foreign-exchange dealers - perhaps most sensitive to G-7 gatherings, which can move currency prices - did not expect anything new.

''I don't think there's any anticipation at all'' ahead of the meeting, said Robert White, currency manager with Los Angeles-based First Interstate Bank.

He said U.S. officials see the currently weak dollar as beneficial to exports and thus a help to the faltering economy. G-7 partners whose currencies have appreciated benefit because oil is priced in dollars.

''The Japanese are a lot happier buying oil at this level (of about 137.5 yen to the dollar) than when (the dollar) was at 150,'' White said.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 19) UPI - A federal judge Wednesday dismissed outright a Chevron Corp. lawsuit against Pennzoil Co. over cash-rich Pennzoil's $2.1 billion purchase of an 8.8 percent stake in Chevron.

Chevron, the world's sixth-largest oil company, filed suit against Houston-based Pennzoil last Dec. 7, charging it violated antitrust laws and lied to federal regulators when declaring its massive purchase of Chevron stock was strictly a ''long-term investment.''

Chevron maintained that Pennzoil never intended its acquisition to be passive but rather had secret designs to gain a seat on Chevron's board of directors and possibly force Chevron to divest some assets.

U.S. District Judge Sam Conti granted Pennzoil's motion to dismiss the last remnant of the Chevron lawsuit.

In his ruling, Conti found that ''Chevron has raised no genuine issue of material fact'' to show that Pennzoil violated Williamson Act disclosure requirements or lied about its intentions toward Chevron.

Stephen Bomse, Pennzoil's attorney, said: ''We are very, very pleased and gratified the judge has concurred in our position that the Chevron suit did not have any merit.''

''It means now the lawsuit is at an end,'' Bomse said.

Chevron attorney William Edlund said he had not yet read the judge's entire 23-page opinion and could not comment on it. He indicated Chevron would keep open its options to appeal the ruling.

Pennzoil purchased the Chevron shares with proceeds from an unprecedented $3 billion settlement wrested from Texaco Inc. as a result of a 1988 lawsuit over the takeover of Getty Oil.

After lawyer fees, Pennzoil netted $2.6 billion to invest from the Texaco settlement. The company chose Chevron, fourth largest among U.S. oil companies in hope of getting a tax break based on its reinvestment in a similar industry.

Pennzoil indicated in July it desired to invest the balance of its $480 million Texaco settlement in Chevron, meaning Pennzoil would hold up to a 9.9 percent stake, Bomse said. He said whether Pennzoil will proceed with this would depend on the outcome of a review by federal regulators and on market conditions.

A purchase of more than 10 percent of Chevron's outstanding stock would trigger its ''poison-pill'' shareholder protection plan, designed to make a hostile takeover prohibitively expensive for a company seeking to engineer an acquisition.

Pennzoil negotiated the Texaco settlement based on claims that Texaco illegally bought Getty Oil out from under Pennzoil.

Pennzoil sat on the settlement nest egg for more than 18 months before quietly accumulating Chevron stock beginning in October 1989.

Ultimately Pennzoil spent $2.1 billion of the settlement on Chevron stock.

Conti cited sworn declarations by Pennzoil Chairman J. Hugh Liedtke, who said Pennzoil had two priorities for investing the Texaco proceeds: achieving maximum long-term value for Pennzoil's shareholders and, if possible, a tax deferral on the settlement proceeds.

The Liedtke statement also disclosed that Pennzoil had considered buying smaller oil companies outright but decided they were either fully priced or unavailable.

He also said Pennzoil considered buying British Petroleum PLC shares but was outbid by BP itself.

Pennzoil, the 18th-largest oil company in the United States, purchased shares in Burlington Resources Inc. but sold the stock at a considerable profit after a lawsuit similar to Chevron's was filed.

Liedtke said Pennzoil rejected an effort to take on debt required to obtain an 18 percent interest in Chevron and settled on a position of less than 10 percent as a long-term investment.

He said he had hoped Pennzoil could work with Chevron ''on a friendly basis'' to bolster Pennzoil's tax position.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - States will receive $246 million in the first round of payments for their share of money raised through timber sales and other uses of the national forests, the Forest Service said Wednesday.

The money is earmarked for local schools and roads. The largest first-round payments will go to Oregon, $111 million, California, $43 million, Washington state, $26 million, and Idaho, $10 million.

Total payments are estimated to reach $328.1 million. The first round amounts to 75 percent of the expected payment to each state. The final payment is made in December, after the Forest Service has a chance to precisely count the revenues.

By federal law, 25 percent of Forest Service revenue from timber sales, grazing fees, recreation, minerals and land use is given to the states where national forests are located.

There are 156 national forests and grasslands covering 191 million acres.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - Israel celebrated the Jewish New Year, Rosh Hashana, today, and the politicians of the Jewish state used the expanded coverage of newspapers and radios to rally the nation in the Persian Gulf crisis.

President Chaim Herzog delivered an upbeat message, welcoming the record number of immigrants who arrived in Israel this year.

But Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir carried a more somber, inspirational message. He said the gulf crisis had shown the world that ''the central problem of the Middle East is not the Israel-Arab dispute,'' but ''the persistent instability of the Arab world.''

Shamir called Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''a giant-size evil,'' adding that Israel was prepared to defend itself if the crisis led to war.

A key House Democrat indicates that prospects are dim for an auto fuel economy bill this year.

Democratic Representative John Dingell of Michigan says House Speaker Thomas

Foley does NOT appear inclined to put a fuel economy bill on the legislative fast track. And that decision probably would doom the measure for this year.

Dingell, chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, says Foley indicated to him that he won't schedule the bill for accelerated floor consideration by the House.

That means the fuel economy bill would stay in Dingell's committee, where he could bottle it up for the remaining few weeks of the congressional session.

Dingell questions the technological feasibility of meeting the higher fuel efficiency requirements that would be set under the bill.

His remarks come as the Senate moves toward passage this fall of fuel economy legislation that would raise the average federal gasoline mileage standard for new cars from 27-point-five miles a gallon to 40 miles a gallon by 2001.

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LONDON, Ohio (SEPT. 19) UPI - Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter said Wednesday that American farmers will be helped rather than hindered if the Soviet Union succeeds in converting to a capitalist economy.

The agriculture secretary, at a press conference, also hinted it might not be politically feasible for the United States to continue to insist that export subsidies on farm products be eliminated immediately.

Yeutter told reporters there is too much regulatory interference in the farm bill now in a House-Senate conference, but that he does not hold out too much hope of eliminating ''micro-management'' of agriculture in the fat, 1,600-page bill.

And Yeutter said agriculture may have to accept its fair share of spending reductions in the current budget negotiations in order to reduce the budget deficit from $170 billion to $64 billion over five years.

The secretary said if the Soviets ''get their economy on track, it's my personal opinion that they will very likely import more from us rather than less.''

He said Korea, which had to be propped up economically in the 1950s and '60s, now imports $2 billion worth of agricultural products a year from the United States.

Yeutter was asked about a report that U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills said the U.S. is prepared to back away from its insistence on 100 percent elimination of export subsidies.

He said he could not confirm the report but ''it may not be politically feasible'' to ask the European community to reduce its export subsidies from $11 billion to zero in a 10-year General Agreement on Agriculture Tariffs now being negotiated in Europe.

Yeutter said industrial export subsidies have been eliminated and ''in my judgment, we ought to get rid of agricultural export subsidies as well. They're just an onerous, distorted trade barrier of the worst kind.''

On other matters, the secretary said:

- President Bush will veto a textile trade bill recently passed by Congress despite intense lobbying by the sugar, peanut and cotton industries seeking to retain protections;

- the president's food embargo of Iraq is working, and has ''sky- high'' support from most farmers as long as other Americans are willing to sacrifice.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) UPI - The State Department said Wednesday that most Americans who can get out of Iraq and Kuwait have already left and the last evacuation flight of American women and children from Kuwait will leave Saturday.

A U.S.-chartered Iraqi Airways plane landed at 6 p.m. EDT Wednesday at London's Gatwick Airport with 328 American women and children, 35 Britons and an unknown number of other foreign nationals.

The Americans were to spend the night in London before flying Thursday to Raleigh, N.C.

One more flight is tentatively scheduled to leave Kuwait Saturday, said State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler. With that flight, she said, the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait believes that every American who is able to leave and wants to leave will have been taken care of and there will be no more evacuation charter flights.

The State Department is putting out hourly messages over the Voice of America and the British Broadcasting Corp. urging American women to immediately contact the embassy if they wish to leave on the final evacuation charter flight.

So far, about 1,700 Americans, mainly women and children, have been airlifted out of Kuwait and Iraq since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraqi forces.

Tutwiler said that some women who are American citizens have decided to remain in Kuwait with their husbands.

According to State Department estimates, some 1,200 Americans remain in Kuwait and another 120 in Iraq, including diplomatic personnel in the embassies in Kuwait and Baghdad.

''Iraq's barbaric hostage-holding continues. Men from numerous countries are not being allowed to depart and obviously are being held there against their will. We and the rest of the international community will continue to press for the right of departure of all foreigners and for the release of those who the Iraqis detain,'' Tutwiler said.

It is estimated that 82 Americans are being held by Iraqi authorities, reportedly as human shields around military and industrial installations that might be targets of U.S. forces in case of an outbreak of hostility.

U.S. Embassy officials have had no access to any of the detainees for more than a week.

Tutwiler said the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait remains in business, although conditions are getting more difficult.

''We'll continue to be there as long as we can,'' she said.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - The State Department says the last flight carrying American women and children out of Kuwait will leave Saturday. The department says most Americans who are able to leave Kuwait already have left.

Iraq says it passed a law today allowing it to seize assets of governments and companies that have frozen Iraqi assets abroad. Baghdad adds that it is NO longer responsible for the safety of foreign property in Iraq or occupied Kuwait.

The House today passed a 283-BILLION-dollar defense authorization bill that includes one-BILLION dollars for Operation Desert Shield. The bill is under veto threat because it eliminates the B-2 stealth bomber.

The Senate Judiciary Committee today wrapped up five days of hearings into Supreme Court nominee David Souter. Several prominent feminists are demanding an apology from committee Republicans, saying they were treated like- in their words- ''bad girls.''

A team of independent NASA engineers is at Cape Canaveral to conduct an exhaustive search for the source of an elusive hydrogen fuel leak aboard the

shuttle Columbia. Engineers are planning to launch the shuttle Discovery October 5th.

In Los Angeles, the judge in the fraud case against former Lincoln Savings operator Charles Keating says he'll hear arguments to reduce Keating's five-Million-dollar bail tomorrow. Keating was jailed yesterday.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - The Institute of Medicine in Washington says drug addicts should receive tax-supported drug treatment on a ''timely'' basis if there's to be any hope of success. The report also calls for higher quality public treatment services.

A new study reports that higher doses of a synthetic form of vitamin A appear effective in reducing the number of tumors in people with cancers of the head and neck.

Syrian government sources in Damascus say a British Airways airliner crossed Syrian air space today for the first time since London broke off diplomatic ties with Damascus nearly four years ago. The airliner was carrying food and medicine to refugees stranded in Jordan.

Diplomats say the U-N Security Council plans to approve a Cambodian peace plan worked out by the council's five permanent members. Also, the United States and Vietnam will begin their third round of talks on the U-N peace plan tomorrow.

Princeton University's all-male Ivy Club will break more than a century of tradition Sunday when it allows women to apply for membership. The move follows yesterday's order issued by a federal judge.

Residents of Wahoo, Nebraska, are planning to get together to make life a little sweeter for the U-S troops in Saudi Arabia. They'll gather at the Wahoo Armory September 29th to bake 100 to 200 pounds of sugar cookies to be delivered to the soldiers.

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BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (SEPT. 19) UPI - President Carlos Menem risked a temporary setback in popularity at home by sending ships to join the naval blockade against Iraq but he expects international dividends as compensation.

Menem narrowly avoided disaster Wednesday when the majority opposition in Congress nearly voted on a bill to render illegal his order to send a force to the Persian Gulf.

A group of official Peronist Party deputies, exchanging heated epithets with rival deputies, blocked the vote by walking out of the legislative chamber, leaving it without a quorum.

Menem used his executive powers Tuesday to order two navy destroyers and two air force planes to join a military blockade of Iraq.

Argentina's decision to become the first Latin American nation to send forces to the Persian Gulf is a sharp departure from its history of non-alignment.

Argentina was neutral during World War I, prospering by selling grain and beef to the warring armies. It stayed neutral most of World War II, declaring war on the Axis, under heavy international pressure, only days before the fall of Berlin.

On Wednesday, many Argentines criticized the government's change in policy but a few defended the decision to send forces to the Gulf.

''The United States never helped us,'' said Eugenio Diaz, 28, a small shop owner.

''One of the arguments the government gives for sending ships is that the industrialized countries are going to give us more money now in loans,'' Diaz continued. ''That's crap. Other countries, like Mexico, have benefitted from staying neutral.''

But another shopowner, Enrique Molinski, 66, said ''Saddam Hussein is equal to Hitler. He wants to conquer everything.''

Molinski, a Jewish emigre from Poland just before World War II, said both ''Argentina and the Americans have to destroy the Iraqi forces because if not, the day they leave Saddam will attack Israel.''

Public opinion polls show that 60 percent to 70 percent of Argentines oppose Menem's decision to join the multinational blockade against Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

Even Menem's estranged wife, Zulema Yoma, said Wednesday she was ''very sad and ashamed'' over her husband's decision.

''One should consult the people, through Parliament, to see if it is necessary or not to send troops to a conflict that should be resolved by the Arab world '' Yoma told the independent news agency Noticias Argentinas. Both Menem and Yoma are of Syrian descent.

Though unable to vote Wednesday, congressional sentiment was hostile. Menem sidestepped Congress with semantics, saying the Argentine warships were a

''peace force'' not intended to engage in combat.

Since the mission is non-belligerent, Menem argued, it did not need approval by Congress as required by the constitution in cases of war.

But Foreign Minister Domingo Cavallo told a news conference of foreign correspondents that the Argentine warships ''would obviously defend themselves'' if they were attacked.

He said the task force was to help put teeth into U.N. sanctions and was authorized to ''use proportionate force as stipulated by the United Nations,'' meaning minimum force.

Whether Argentina fights or not, Menem is after bigger stakes than showing the light blue-and-white flag in the Middle East.

His real goal is to build a better relationship with the United States and other Western countries that in the past have been suspicious of his Peronist Party, founded in the 1940s with a distinct nationalist and anti-U.S. tint.

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PALMDALE, CA. (SEPT. 19) UPI - Lockeed Corp., which is several weeks behind Northrop Corp. in the competition for the Advanced Tactical Fighter jet, made a small advance Wednesday when its YF-22 prototype completed a low- speed taxi test.

The Lockheed prototype will probably make its high-speed taxi test in a few weeks, then make its first flight a few weeks after that, said Lawrence Harris an aerospace analyst with brokerage Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards of Los Angeles.

Teams led by Northrop and Lockheed are building two prototypes in an Air Force competition to build the Advanced Tactical Fighter, a new generation jet that could produce as much as $100 billion in revenues. The deadline for submission of technical proposals is in December.

But Harris said that the Air Force is likely to move the deadline back, since Congress may not authorize full-scale development funding for the program in fiscal 1991.

Northrop said Tuesday that its prototype YF-23 ''supercruised'' for the first time in a test flight by flying at supersonic speed without using engine afterburners.

Northrop, noting that no current Air Force fighter is able to supercruise, did not disclose the speed of the aircraft during the flight.

Northrop, which is teamed with McDonnell Douglas Corp. of St. Louis on the program, flew the YF-23 for the first time on Aug. 27. Tuesday's flight was the fifth for the prototype.

Lockheed teamed with Boeing and General Dynamics Corp., also based in St. Louis, in the competition.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - The State Department reports that most U-S citizens capable of leaving Iraq and occupied Kuwait have already done so. A U-S chartered Iraqi Airways plane carrying about 400 foreigners- 328 of them Americans- arrived in London today, and the final U-S airlift is scheduled for Saturday. About 17-hundred Americans- most of them women and children- have been airlifted out of the embattled region.

Senator Alan Cranston has come up with a way to ease concerns about selling sophisticted weapon systems to Saudi Arabia in the Persian Gulf crisis. The California Democrat wants to lease, rather than sell the weapons to the Saudis. Cranston says that would keep the weapons from- in his words- ''falling into hostile hands during some future crisis.''

Witnesses testified before a House panel today about insurance- company practices that saw their coverage dramatically increased in cost- or even canceled- in response to catastrophic illness. Subcommittee Chairman Doug Walgren said the plight of the so-called ''UNinsurable'' people showed that- in his words- ''health insurance is largely a roll of the dice.''

Six men are on trial in Los Angeles in connection with the world's largest cocaine seizure. Prosecutor James Walsh told jurors in his opening statement today that the men were an integral link in a drug pipeline that moved 77 tons of cocaine into L-A and El Paso in three months. The pipeline was smashed in September 1989 when authorities seized 21-point-four tons of cocaine at a warehouse operating behind a facade of an arts and crafts business.

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(SEPT. 19) UPI - South African President Frederik de Klerk today announced more steps to curb a wave of urban black violence and save his government's racial reform program. De Klerk says the new measures, part of ''Operation Iron Fist,'' include a crackdown on the illegal possession of weapons. He pledged that security force actions would be ''strict, but controlled and impartial.''

Fighting raged for two hours in east Beirut today as rival Lebanese Christian

forces battled with heavy arms along frontlines. There were NO reports of casualties. Police say the fighting erupted after a bomb blast ripped the American University of Beirut in the Moslem west sector of the divided city. The home-made bomb caused some material damage.

Authorities in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, today charged an ex- convict for coercing another man to shoot him. Virgil Smith is recovering from two gunshot wounds. Police say it's unclear why Smith arranged to be shot by another man. District Attorney Ray Pelrine says Smith claims he did it because he wanted to scare off drug dealers... because he wanted to ''get back'' at his former or estranged wife... and because he wanted attention.

Federal bankruptcy officials are trying to convince the employees of a failed Nevada business to prostitute themselves in order to pay the firm's debts. But it's NOT as bad as it sounds, because the employees ARE prostitutes. The Mustang Ranch brothel is located in an area where prostitution is legal. But it closed its doors yesterday after the owner missed a 75-thousand-dollar tax payment.

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska (SEPT. 19) UPI - The Soviet Union is considering proposals to open an arctic shipping route that would significantly reduce the distance freighters must travel carrying goods between Europe and the Far East, officials told this week's Northern Regions Conference.

The icy sea route stretching beyond the northernmost reach of the Russian land mass is used by Soviet icebreakers traveling between Soviet Europe and the Soviet Far East, but shippers from Europe to America want the route opened for international cargo traffic.

''I believe that if the Northeast Passage can be opened, it will be the biggest thing to happen to the northern region in this century,'' said Ivar Ytreland, governor of Norway's Trondelag province.

''The Northeast Passage could become a new fantastic maritime route between Europe and the Far East,'' Ytreland said. ''For example, a sea- route between western Europe to Japan and Korea would be 10,000 kilometers (6,000 miles) shorter than the sea route via the Suez Canal.''

''It's a big proposal but we're determined to see it through,'' Paul Fuhs, mayor of Unalaska, site of a major Alaska fishing port at Dutch Harbor, said of proposals to open the arctic sea route.

Port directors in Alaska and Tacoma, Wash., want the arctic sea route opened, and Fuhs said talks were planned with Soviet shipping officials in Anchorage for the 11-nation Northern Regions Conference.

''Our government is considering the issue of opening the Northeast Passage,'' said Artur Chilingarov, who overesees Soviet arctic policy as deputy chairman of the Soviet state committee for hydrometeorology. ''Results will be conveyed to all interested parties very soon.''

But Chilingarov hinted that, despite a warming in U.S.-Soviet relations, there may be military obstacles to opening the waterway across the Soviet north.

Freighters carrying cargo between Europe and North Pacific ports in the Far East and the West Coast of North America travel south around continents and through the Suez and Panama Canals.

The proposed arctic shipping channel is variously called the Northeast Passage the Northern Sea Route or the Arctic Great Circle Trade Route.

Under most scenarios, cargo from Asia and North America would leave Tokyo, Seoul and Tacoma on ships bound for Dutch Harbor, Alaska, to pick up fish and supplies, head through the Bering Strait and cross the arctic to northern European ports. On the return trip, European goods and Alaska fish would be delivered to Tokyo, Seoul and Tacoma.

The journey would require Soviet nuclear icebreaker escorts and possibly the use of Soviet freighters with reinforced hulls. Ytreland said Soviet icebreaking capabilities could keep the passage open most of the year.

Norway and Alaska would serve as gateway ports on either end of the journey, Ytreland said.

Fuhs said the shorter northern sea route would dramatically improve the marketability of forest, mineral and fisheries products and other goods.

Although the transarctic route would benefit trade between northern Europe and the Pacific Rim, Jostein Berg, a professor at the Norwegian Institute of Technology, said, ''The Soviets would benefit the most.''

Berg said the northern shipping route would mean business and goods entering Soviet ports. He said the Soviets could becoming trading partners and earn western currency for their role in shipping.

In a later speech on Soviet arctic policy, Chilingarov raised Soviet concerns about a significant and continuing military presence in the far north. He said the military might stationed in the arctic must be examined in light of the changing world situation.

Chilingarov told northern officials that current Soviet policy was reflected in President Gorbachev's Murmansk Initiatives, in which the Soviet leader criticized U.S. and NATO activity in Norway, Canada, Greenland and called for

reduced military activity in the north. Chilingarov's earlier remarks on opening the northern sea route implied that these military concerns had to be addressed for the Soviets to open their arctic waters.

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PASADENA, CA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Conversion Industries Inc. announced Thursday that its 52-percent-owned subsidiary, International Colin Energy Corp. (TSE:KCN), located in Calgary, Alberta, has reported a profit for the year ended June 30, 1990.

The year-end results were $800,391, or 22 cents per share, compared with $372,844, or 12 cents per share, a year earlier. Revenue was $10,058,989, compared with $7,094,141 a year earlier. Cash flow from operations was $2,945,686, or $1.01 per share, compared with $1,163,126, or 62 cents per share, in the prior year.

During the year, the company drilled, as operator, 23 wells in the Eaglesham area of Alberta and participated in the drilling of four other wells in the area, resulting in 11 oil wells, four gas wells, one suspended well and 11 dry holes.

Production has increased from 215 barrels of oil equivalent (BOE) per day at June 30, 1989 to 630 BOE per day at June 30, 1990.

The company will continue to pursue an aggressive growth strategy which will include the drilling of approximately 34 wells in the current fiscal year.

Since the end of June, the company has drilled two gas wells and one oil well and is currently drilling an exploratory well.

Conversion Industries, an independent power-production company, currently holds 52 percent of the outstanding common shares and 35 percent of the outstanding preferred shares of International Colin Energy.

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ISSAQUAH, WA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Egghead Discount Software announced this week that Senior Vice President Larry Foster has resigned his position to launch a new software firm.

Foster joined Egghead in 1985 as vice president of purchasing, was promoted to senior vice president in early 1988, then launched Egghead's ''Project Embryo'' new products group in September 1989.

''As Egghead's first vice president and founder of Project Embryo, we'll miss Larry,'' said Egghead President and Chief Operating Officer Matt Griffin. ''As a company, however, we remain committed to the new products group and to its charter: to seek out and assist in developing exciting, new PC software and accessories and to provide our customers with a consistent flow of new items. As we do with all innovators in this industry, we look forward to doing business with Larry's company. We wish him every success,'' Griffin concluded.

According to Foster, ''I'm excited to apply the new product and business development knowledge I've gained in the last five and a half years to a new venture. Egghead has provided me with a base I intend to build on, developing products that will fill the needs of this ever-expanding market.''

Egghead Discount Software is the largest-volume software reseller in North America, selling software, peripherals and accessories to consumers, businesses and government accounts through its 189 retail stores and its 317-person direct sales force.

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Diane Merz, 206/391-6230 (media)
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EL MONTE, CA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Marshall Industries (NYSE:MI) Thursday reported operating results for its first quarter of fiscal year 1991.

Net sales for the first fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, were $146,487,000 compared with $127,467,000 in the same quarter a year ago. Net income and net income per share were $4,935,000, or 58 cents, respectively, vs. $4,665,000, or 50 cents, in the first quarter of the prior year. Results for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, include a net gain of $257,000, or 3 cents per share, related to the sale of a facility.

Management commented that the higher level of sales reflected increased volume in all major product areas, particularly computer subsystems and semiconductors.

Marshall Industries is a leading national distributor of industrial electronic components, computer products, electronic test instruments and production supplies.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - MagneTek Inc. (NYSE:MAG) , a leading electrical equipment manufacturer, announced Thursday that it has purchased substantially all of the assets of Albert Germann GmbH & Co., KG, Neunkirchen, West Germany, a manufacturer of lighting ballasts and specialty transformers.

The announcement was made by MagneTek President and Chief Executive Officer Frank Perna Jr., following notarization of the purchase agreement.

Terms of the transaction were not announced.

Germann, an established name in the German ballast and specialty transformer market since 1926, sells to original equipment manufacturers as well as through a network of distributors and representatives. Germann's sales are expected to amount to $10 million in its first year with MagneTek, according to Perna.

Germann will operate as part of MagneTek Europe, the company's newly established strategic business unit with headquarters in Bonn, West Germany. MagneTek products and services now offered in the European market include ballasts, specialty transformers, frequency converters, uninterruptable power supplies, transformers/rectifier units, load resistors, fractional horsepower electric motors, integral horsepower electric motors and electrical equipment repair and services.

With headquarters in Los Angeles, MagneTek provides a wide range of Energy Engineered electrical equipment and services to utilities and industrial customers. The company operates 50 manufacturing and service facilities throughout North America and overseas, and employs some 15,000 associates.

MagneTek reported sales of $1.1 billion for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

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LYNNWOOD, WA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Ralph V. Schapler, chairman and chief executive officer of Pioneer Savings Bank, announced Thursday that the savings bank's board of directors declared a 16 cents per share cash dividend on the savings bank's common stock.

This cash dividend is an increase of approximately 14 percent per share over last quarter's dividend of 14 cents per share. The cash dividends will be payable Oct. 26, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Oct. 12, 1990.

Pioneer Bank converted to stock ownership on July 13, 1989, and trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol PFBK. This is the fifth quarterly dividend the savings bank has paid since becoming a public company. A one-for-one stock dividend was paid Feb. 20, 1990.

Pioneer Bank is a state-chartered stock savings bank headquartered in Snohomish County. The savings bank is primarily engaged in the business of attracting deposits from the general public and using these deposits, together with other funds, to make single-family real estate loans. At June 30, 1990, the savings bank had assets of nearly $723 million.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Santa Anita Realty Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:SAR) has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 52 cents per share, it was announced Thursday.

The dividend is payable Oct. 25, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 10.

The Santa Anita Cos. comprise Santa Anita Realty Enterprises Inc. and Santa Anita Operating Co. The shares of the two Santa Anita companies trade on a ''paired'' basis on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SAR.

Santa Anita Realty Enterprises, one of the nation's leading real estate investment trusts, owns the Santa Anita racetrack property, a 50 percent interest in the operation of Santa Anita Fashion Park and a 32.5 percent interest in Towson Town Center (major regional shopping centers), a number of neighborhood shopping centers and interests in an industrial park, three apartment projects and three office buildings.

Santa Anita Operating Co. conducts thoroughbred horse racing at Santa Anita Park through its subsidiary, the Los Angeles Turf Club Inc.

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or
Braun & Co., Los Angeles
Tom Reed, 213/385-3481

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GLENDALE, CA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - O. James Woodward III, executive vice president and manager of the Guarantee Group of Glendale Federal Bank, announced his retirement Thursday.

He is leaving Glendale Federal Bank, effective Nov. 1, 1990, to join the Fresno law firm of McCormick, Barstow, Sheppard, Wayte & Carruth.

''We are extremely pleased that Jim is joining the firm and expect that he will make significant contributions to our real estate and banking practice,'' said Mario Beltramo, chairman of McCormick's management committee.

The law firm represented Guarantee Savings for many years prior to its merger with Glendale Federal Bank, and has continued to represent the bank after the merger.

Woodward joined Guarantee Savings in early 1983 working in subsidiary operations, particularly real estate development, and later moved into management of banking operations. He was named executive vice president and group manager in January 1988, following Guarantee's merger with Glendale Federal Bank in late 1987.

''Jim played a critical role in the transition period following the merger,'' said Keith P. Russell Jr., president of Glendale Federal Bank. ''His contributions to the bank have been substantial and he will be missed.''

In making the announcement, Woodward said he was retiring from Glendale Federal Bank to pursue other career and personal objectives at this time.

''With the recent well-received name change to Glendale Federal Bank and the successful computer systems conversions completed, I can leave comfortably knowing that our major goals following the merger have been achieved. Now, Glendale Federal Bank can capitalize on the structure we have built together to continue to maintain and enhance the excellent market share position in the Central Valley,'' Woodward said.

Woodward obtained his J.D. in law from the University of California at Berkeley, where he also completed his undergraduate degree. He obtained his M.B.A. from the Stanford Graduate School of Business.

Following graduation, Woodward was Associate General Counsel for the University of California Board of Regents, and later practiced law for a number of years in Fresno. After being with a real estate development partnership in Newport Beach, Calif., he returned to private law practice in Fresno in 1977. Prior to joining Glendale Federal Bank, Woodward had also

been associated with another Fresno area financial institution.

Woodward has participated in many community activities, and presently serves on the boards of directors of the Fresno Metropolitan Museum, Fresno Regional Foundation, Valley Children's Hospital Foundation and Fresno Convention and Visitor's Bureau.

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GLENDALE, CA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Glendale Federal Bank, the nation's fourth-largest savings bank, announced Thursday it will reorganize its California Retail Banking Operations to unite the strengths of its Guarantee and California groups into a single, highly competitive marketing organization.

''This move creates a stronger and more efficient sales organization,'' said Keith P. Russell Jr., president. The reorganization takes effect Nov. 1, 1990.

Marcia VanDyck Nagel has been named to head the Northern California region of the California Group which unites the 75 banking offices in the Central Valley and the San Francisco/San Mateo markets. Nagel is currently senior vice president and regional manager of the Guarantee Group.

James Riordan has been named to head the Southern California Region of the California Group which includes the Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego county markets for a total of 72 banking offices. Riordan is currently senior vice president and regional manager of the San Francisco/San Mateo market.

Steven McGough, as California Group real estate loan manager, is responsible for residential real estate lending statewide. Jack Good, senior vice president and real estate/commercial lending manager for the Central Valley, will report to McGough. Tony Frisicaro has been appointed consumer loan manager-Southern California and William Lynch has been named consumer loan manager-Northern California.

Sue North remains senior financial officer for the California Group. These managers as well as Nagel, Riordan and McGough will report to Jack Daly, executive vice president and manager of the California Group.

''We anticipate that through this reorganization of the California Retail Operations, we can enhance our already strong market position and our success in providing basic, consumer financial products and services in the communities we know best,'' said Russell Jr., president, Glendale Federal Bank.

Glendale Federal Bank has over $25 billion in assets and operates 235 banking

offices in California, Florida and Washington.

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SPOKANE, WA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - CalMax Inc., of Spokane, has signed an agreement to become a systems integrator for Key Tronic Corp., a leading manufacturer of keyboards and other computer products.

CalMax will sell One-Time, Key Tronic's new factory data collection system, which consists of hardware and software designed to improve manufacturing efficiency.

Serving the industry throughout the United States, Calmax specializes in factory automation equipment. Founded in 1985, the company now employs 20 people, with specialists in areas such as field service, software, system design, computer hardware, panel fabrication and training.

Bob Horecka, Key Tronic product manager for One-Time, said products designed by CalMax engineers will enhance the value of Key Tronic's data collection system to potential customers. ''We were very impressed with their strong customer base and ability to meet customer demands,'' Horecka explained.

CalMax president, George Calvert, is also enthusiastic about the association with Key Tronic. ''Key Tronic has proven the cost-effectiveness of its One-Time system in its own manufacturing facilities. Proven results, coupled with Key Tronic's 20-year reputation for quality, will ensure that our clients get the most effective system available,'' Calvert said.

CalMax is located at W. 18720 Fifth Ave. in Medical Lake, just outside Spokane with offices also in Seattle, Tri-Cities, Wash., and Portland, Ore. Their phone number is 509/244-3602.

Key Tronic is a publicly held corporation, traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol KTCC.

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PARIS (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - RasterOps Corp. (NASDAQ: ROPS) Thursday announced it has established RasterOps France S.A., a joint venture with Paris-based International Computer (IC) Products S.A., a distributor of color

display technology for the Macintosh.

The new company, which will have headquarters in Paris, will provide expanded sales, marketing, and technical support in France for the company's high-performance color graphics products for the Apple Macintosh.

Kieth Sorenson, president and chief executive officer of RasterOps Corp., in making the announcement at Apple Expo in Paris said: "The market in France for our Macintosh 24-bit color graphics products is the largest outside the U.S. This new organization expands the presence we have had in France from our origin and enables us to maintain even closer relationships with our customers there."

Alain Drozd, formerly president of IC Products, will be the managing director of RasterOps France. "With approximately one of every ten Macintoshes worldwide sold in France, we believe a tremendous market opportunity exists for this dedicated organization," said Drozd.

RasterOps Corp., with headquarters in Santa Clara, Calif., designs, manufactures, and markets photorealistic color-imaging products primarily for the graphic arts, publishing and related industries.

RasterOps is the only company that provides 24-bit color display products and live video/TV-in-a-window capability for multiple manufacturers' platforms, including its own line of high-resolution monitors.

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VANCOUVER, WA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Red Lion Hotels & Inns is making getaway weekends in California twice as much fun with a special low rate.

Guests who stay Friday, Saturday, or Sunday at any of Red Lion's 12 California Red Lion hotels pay a low weekend rate, plus they have the option of an additional room for half price or staying the next night for half price. Now guests can invite friends to join them, or extend their stay for 50 percent of the cost.

''Airfares are less expensive when travelers stay over a Saturday night, so this is a great incentive for business travelers to add a weekend getaway to their trip,'' said Steve Giblin, Red Lion's executive vice president of sales and marketing.

''These special low rates make it easy for frequent travelers to turn a business trip into a vacation by bringing a spouse, children, or friends.''

The ''Twice as Nice'' rate is available now through Dec. 30, 1990, at the following Red Lion Hotels:

-- Red Lion Inn/Eureka	$69
-- Red Lion Inn/Redding	$69
-- Red Lion Hotel/Sonoma County	$69
-- Red Lion's Sacramento Inn	$59
-- Red Lion Hotel/Sacramento	$69
-- Red Lion Hotel/San Jose	$69
-- Red Lion Hotel/Modesto	$69
-- Red Lion Hotel/Bakersfield	$69
-- Red Lion Hotel/Ontario	$69
-- Red Lion/Orange County Airport	$69

-- Red Lion Hotel/San Diego $79 (Offer valid when hotel opens in October.)

-- Fess Parker's Red Lion Resort, Santa Barbara (Offer valid beginning Nov. 1. Ask for rate when making reservation.)

Make reservations by calling 800/547-8010 and asking for the ''Twice as Nice'' rate.

Red Lion Hotels & Inns operates 55 properties in 11 Western states. The company has hotels in development in Glendale and San Diego, Calif.

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ONTARIO, CA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - CVB Financial Corp. (ASE:CVB) Thursday announced a regular quarterly cash dividend of 6.5 cents per share.

The dividend was declared by the company's board of directors at its Sept. 19 meeting. Shareholders of record on Oct. 4 will receive the dividend payment on Oct. 18.

Chino Valley Bank, CVB Financial's primary subsidiary, is the largest independent bank with headquarters in Southern California's rapidly growing Inland Empire region. The bank has 15 branches serving the financial needs of individuals and businesses within the professional, commercial and industrial fields.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Precision Standard Inc. (NASDAQ:PCSN) announced Thursday that the Hayes Targets Division of its Pemco Aeroplex subsidiary had surpassed the $100 million mark in sales since its inception.

Matthew L. Gold, chairman and chief executive officer of Precision Standard said, ''I congratulate Mr. S. Wesley Teague Jr., president of the Division, his staff and employees on the steady growth and strong market position which the division has achieved.''

Hayes Targets is a leading manufacturer of supersonic and subsonic aerial tow targets. The market served by the Targets Division includes all of the U.S. Armed Forces as well as military customers in Europe, the Middle East, Australia and South America.

''Because aerial tow targets play an important role in the evaluation of weapons systems and the training of military personnel, future demand for such targets is expected to remain strong,'' Teague said.

Precision Standard, with facilities in Alabama, California, Colorado and Florida and offices in Denver, Boston and London performs maintenance and modification of aircraft for the U.S. government and foreign and domestic commercial customers.

The company also manufactures aircraft cargo systems, aerial targets for military customers, precision springs and components, and rocket vehicles and control systems.

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PHOENIX (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The sale of Malapai Resources Co., Pinnacle West's uranium mining subsidiary, to Fuel International Trading Corp. an American-based affiliate of Electricite de France (EdF), closed Thursday, according to Pinnacle West Chairman Richard Snell.

Snell said net proceeds from the $38 million cash sale will be used to pay down holding company debt.

Malapai will be operated by Total Minerals Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of TOTAL Compagnie Francaise des Petroles, a French energy company with annual sales of approximately $20 billion.

EdF is the only electric utility company in France, where approximately 75 percent of all electric power consumed is nuclear generated.

Pinnacle West is the parent company of Arizona Public Service Co., the state's largest electric utility; SunCor Development Co., a real estate development firm; and El Dorado Investment Co., a venture capital firm.

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LITTLE ROCK, AK (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - TCBY Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:TBY) Thursday announced that net income for its third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, decreased 42 percent to $6,696,000 or 25 cents a share, from $11,500,000 or 43 cents a share in the third quarter of 1989.

Sales and franchising revenues decreased 11 percent to $43,645,000 from $49,179,000 in the third quarter of fiscal 1989. Total systemwide sales increased 13 percent to $118 million in the third quarter of fiscal 1990 from $104 million in the third quarter of fiscal 1989.

In the first nine months of fiscal 1990, net income decreased 16 percent to $19,551,000 or 73 cents a share, from $23,284,000 or 87 cents a share in the year ago period. Sales and franchising revenues in the first nine months of fiscal 1990 totaled $124,238,000, up 6 percent from $117,027,000 in the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

TCBY added 99 stores during the third quarter bringing the total stores open at Aug. 31, 1990, to 1,894 an increase of 401 from the 1,493 one year ago. At Aug. 31, 1990, 154 stores were company-owned and 1,740 were franchised. The company now expects to open 350-400 new stores in fiscal 1990.

Same store sales decreased 12.7 percent in the first nine months of fiscal 1990 from the comparable period in fiscal 1989. Same store sales decreased 16.7 percent in the third quarter of fiscal 1990 from the third quarter fiscal 1989. The company does not expect same store sales to be positive for fiscal 1990.

TCBY is the largest franchisor and operator of retail stores specializing in soft-serve frozen yogurt products. Sales consist of sales by company-owned stores, sales of the company's frozen yogurt and sales of equipment and other

products to franchised stores. Franchising revenues consist of franchise fees and royalty income.

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FAIRLAWN, OHIO (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Thursday the board of directors of GenCorp Inc. declared a quarterly cash dividend of 15 cents per share on the issued and outstanding 10 cents par value common stock of the company.

The dividend is payable Nov. 30 to shareholders of record on Nov. 1.

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WATSONVILLE, CA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Granite Construction Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:GCCO) announced Thursday that the company is the apparent low bidder on a $12.8 million contract to widen a three-mile section of Loop 289 in Lubbock, Texas for the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

The project entails construction of one additional lane in each direction between University Street and Slide Road and two new bridges plus widening six existing bridges.

The Texas Highway Commission is expected to award the project next month. Construction is scheduled to start in December and take approximately 28 months to complete.

This project marks the company's sixth job in Lubbock and the 13th job Granite has been awarded in Texas in the last eight years with a total value in excess of $333 million.

Granite is a heavy civil contractor engaged in the construction of highways, dams, airports, tunnels and other infrastructure-related projects.

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CULVER CITY, CA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - MGM/UA Communications Co. (NYSE:MGM) Thursday announced that it has received checks totaling $50 million from Pathe Communications Corp. (NYSE:PCC) in connection with its $1.3 billion merger agreement with Pathe.

Upon payment of the checks, Pathe will have paid $353 million cash and will have provided MGM/UA with $75 million in other security toward the parties' merger agreement. Of the $353 million, $253 million was distributed to stockholders on July 20, 1990, and $100 million remains in an escrow account pending conclusion of the transaction.

Under the agreement, which the companies signed on June 28, 1990, holders of MGM/UA common and preferred stock will receive a total of $21.50 per share of which $4 per share was distributed to stockholders on July 20, 1990. The remaining $17.50 per share will be paid to MGM/UA stockholders at the close of the transaction, scheduled to occur on or before Oct. 23, 1990.

MGM/UA will seek shareholder approval for the merger at a Special Meeting of Stockholders on Oct. 2, 1990, at 10 a.m. at the Four Seasons Hotel in Beverly Hills, Calif. MGM/UA common stockholders of record as of Aug. 24, 1990, will be eligible to vote at the meeting. Tracinda Corp., MGM/UA's controlling shareholder, has agreed to vote in favor of the merger.

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SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Bonneville Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: BPCO) Thursday reached a definitive agreement that will permit Portland General Corp. (NYSE: PGN) to acquire up to 49 percent of Bonneville's common stock.

Closing on the agreement is anticipated for mid-October.

Headquartered in Salt Lake City, Bonneville develops, owns and operates independent energy projects. It also has subsidiaries active in fuels exploration and development, food processing and greenhouse operations, and waste management.

Portland General is an energy holding company headquartered in Portland, Ore. A major element in its business strategy is to develop its independent power

business.

Under the agreement, Portland General will purchase from Bonneville, for an aggregate price of $34 million:

-- a $10 million debenture convertible into 1,333,333 common shares at $7.50 per share;

-- 3,333,333 new common shares at $6 per share;

-- Outstanding warrants at $1 each to purchase 4 million additional common shares at $6 per share.

In addition, Portland General has obtained an option from Bonneville to acquire additional common stock sufficient to total 49 percent of Bonneville's outstanding common stock.

As a result of the contemplated affiliation with Portland General, Bonneville plans to review certain of its current accounting policies with the goal of more closely conforming such policies to those of Portland General.

Portland General's purchase agreement is subject to a brief due diligence period, the approval of its board of directors, and the expiration of the applicable waiting periods under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvement Act.

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ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - After rejecting a previous contract offer from the company and working nearly a month without an agreement, Brown Shoe manufacturing employees Thursday ratified a new contract offer, making major gains in their pension plan and health care costs.

The new three-year contract, ratified by a margin of 5 to 1, covers 7,000 workers in Missouri, Tennessee, Illinois and Arkansas represented by the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union (ACTWU) and the United Food and Commercial Workers Union (UFCW).

Throughout the last week union members discussed the proposal and voted by secret ballot at local meetings. The final count was tallied in St. Louis Thursday afternoon.

''We have increased pension benefits by nearly 20 percent and won significant improvements in healthcare benefits,'' said Joan Suarez, southwest regional director of ACTWU. ''These issues are of critical importance to Brown employees and retirees.''

According to the new agreement, Brown employees will receive a pension benefit increase from $7.25 to $8.50 per month for each year of service as well as a new early retirement benefit. The contract also allows the company and union to negotiate health care cost discounts with local providers -- an important item for the workers -- and provides increases in the lifetime maximum, sickness and accident benefits. Hourly wages will increase 60 cents over the life of the contract. The last contract expired at midnight Aug. 24.

''The workers showed the company that they wesg willing to turn away a contract offer for the first time in 30 years and fight for what they needed, and they won,'' said William Treece, assistant director for footwear for UFCW. ''The company should take note that these employees -- many of whom will still experience hardship despite these gains -- will be demanding to share in Brown's growth.''

Brown Shoe Co., a division of Brown Group Inc., is the largest manufacturer of women's shoes in the U.S., selling under brand names that include Naturalizer, Connie, DeLiso and Natural Sport.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - At its meeting Thursday, members of the board of directors of The Bank of California elected Yasumasa Gomi president of the bank.

This is in addition to his current responsibilities as chief operating officer.

''This new title and the addition of the formal responsibilities of president reflect Gomi's broad perspective for our long-range performance and growth, as well as the day-to-day operations, of the bank,'' bank Chairman Osamu ''Sam'' Yamada said.

Yasumasa Gomi joined The Bank of California in August 1989 as executive vice president and chief operating officer. Prior to this assignment, he was general manager of the Tokyo Regional Office of The Mitsubishi Bank, Limited, The Bank of California's parent.

Gomi's previous assignment was as chief manager of the International Planning Division in Tokyo, where he participated in the 1984 acquisition of this bank. Gomi has held a variety of positions in various regional offices, as well as in the domestic and international planning divisions of Mitsubishi Bank since joining the organization in 1966.

He is a 1966 graduate of the University of Tokyo with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the Faculty of Economics. In 1985, Gomi completed the senior executive program, Sloan School of Management, at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The Bank of California, the first incorporated banking institution in the West is the state's sixth-largest bank with $8.4 billion in assets. It operates 50 domestic offices in California, Washington and Oregon and 14 international offices.

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LONG BEACH, CA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The Earth Technology Corporation (USA) (NASDAQ:ETCO) has purchased all outstanding shares of Aqua Resources Inc., a 20-person, Berkeley-based engineering consulting firm specializing in hazardous waste management and water resources, Earth Technology Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Jack Schoustra announced Thursday.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

''The addition of Aqua Resources gives Earth Technology a viable presence in Northern California and strengthens our remediation design capabilities,'' Schoustra said.

According to Schoustra, Aqua Resources Founder and President Janusz Bajsarowicz will continue to serve as head of the operations and will also assist Earth Technology in the pursuit of business opportunities overseas, including Eastern Europe.

''Prior to founding Aqua Resources, Bajsarowicz had a long and distinguished career managing overseas engineering projects for several major U.S. engineering firms,'' Schoustra said.

The Earth Technology Corporation (USA) is a 20-year-old technical services consulting organization specializing in the analysis of complex environmental and engineering problems for government and private industry.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The Seafirst Bank board of directors Thursday announced that Luke S. Helms will become chairman and chief executive officer of Seafirst Bank effective Oct. 15, 1990, and will assume the title of chairman and CEO of Seafirst Corp. upon the retirement of Chairman Richard P. Cooley on Dec. 31, 1990.

At a board meeting today, directors of the state's largest bank named Helms chairman and Kevin B. Ferrell president effective Oct. 15, 1990. Cooley continues as chief executive officer of Seafirst Corp. and chairman of the executive committee of the board.

Helms, 46, is currently president of Seafirst. He joined the bank in 1974 in the National Department and was elected a vice president in 1976. In 1980, he was promoted to senior vice president in charge of the National Division and in 1982 he became head of the International Division. He was promoted to executive vice president and manager of the World Banking Group in 1983 and manager of the Northwest Banking Group in 1986. He was named president of Seafirst Bank effective Jan. 1, 1988.

A native of Lubbock, Texas, Helms was raised in Phoenix, Ariz., and is a graduate of the University of Arizona. He earned a master's of business administration from the University of Santa Clara and is also a graduate of the Pacific Coast Banking School.

Helms is a director of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, the Washington Council on Economic Education, the University of Washington Foundation, the Pacific Northwest Ballet, the Downtown Seattle Association and the Seattle Chamber of Commerce among other community responsibilities.

Ferrell, 43, is joining Seafirst from Bank of America where he is senior vice president in charge of the San Francisco Corporate Office as well as the High Technology Industry Group. He is responsible for the bank's relationships with corporations and institutions in Northern California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Utah, Nevada and Hawaii, and to high technology companies throughout the United States. Before that, he was a senior vice president in

Corporate Treasury, managing the funding, interest rate risk and capital position of the bank and its parent holding company, BankAmerica Corp.

Ferrell began his banking career in New York, working in corporate finance before joining Bank of America in 1976. He has had assignments in London as senior account manager of the Energy Group and in New York as vice president with administrative responsibility for the bank's offices in the eastern United States.

In 1979, Ferrell served for one year in the Office of the Secretary, in the U.S. Department of Energy in Washington D.C. and earlier in his career served in the Executive Office of the President on the staff of the Council on International Economic Policy. He has a bachelor's in mathematics and a master's of business administration from the University of California at Berkeley.

Cooley, 66, joined Seafirst in 1983 as chairman and chief executive officer after a 33-year career at Wells Fargo & Co. where he served as chief executive officer for 16 years.

With $12.4 billion in assets, Seafirst Corp. is the state's largest bank-holding company and offers banking services at 188 branch offices. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of BankAmerica Corp., yet functions with an independent board of directors.

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SANTA MONICA, Calif. (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Oppenheimer Industries Inc. (ASE:OPP) reported Thursday a net loss of $3,766,464, or 81 cents per share, for the six months ended July 31, 1990.

For the comparable period in 1989 the company reported a net loss of $1,649,762, or 38 cents per share.

The increase in the net loss reflects the continued winding down of operations not directly connected to the Armendaris Ranch.

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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Alaska

Housing Finance Corp. (AHFC) authorized the sale and issuance of three home mortgage bond issues totaling $252 million at their meeting on Sept. 18.

The three issues include $177 million in tax-exempt collateralized home mortgage bonds designated for AHFC's ''First Time Homebuyers'' program. The bonds are expected to provide sufficient funding for the program for the next three years.

The $152 million 1990 Series A bonds are considered a ''current refunding'' for federal tax purposes. As such, these bonds will not be subject to the alternative minimum tax. This exclusion creates an interest cost savings to AHFC by making the bonds attractive to investors.

Also included was $75 million in taxable Collateralized Mortgage Obligation (CMO) bonds. Loans financed by these bonds must meet Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., Federal National Mortgage Association, or Government National Mortgage Association requirements.

A re-offering of $25 million in collateralized home mortgage bonds that will fund tax exempt loans under AHFC's ''First Time Homebuyers'' program was also included. Under new tax laws, borrowers funded by these bonds must meet certain income and purchase price requirements.

The Collateralized Home Mortgage 1990 Series A bonds were marketed initially by Merrill Lynch Capital Markets. After conversion to fixed rate securities, they will be re-marketed by a group lead by Merrill Lynch, with First Boston, Kidder Peabody, Paine Webber, and Bear Stearns invited to join. This is the same marketing group that participated in the re-marketing of the 1989 Series B-2.

Marketing of the CMO's Series 1990-2 involved an underwriting group led by First Boston, with Bear Stearns, Merrill Lynch, Chemical Securities, Kidder Peabody and Paine Webber participating.

The housing market in Alaska is recovering from a downturn which began four years ago when oil prices fell and revenue to the state of Alaska dropped dramatically.

Alaska Housing Finance Corp., an instrumentality of the state of Alaska, is the major purchaser of home mortgages in Alaska. The bonds were rated AAA by Standard & Poor's, and Aaa by Moody's Investor Service.

In the first quarter of 1990, demand for AHFC mortgage funds grew to 127 percent of the 1989 volume. A record number of 923 loans have been made through May of this year. The average loan is now $85,833.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - National Semiconductor Corp. Thursday announced that sales for the first quarter ended Aug. 26 were $442.7 million compared with $397.6 million for the comparable quarter a year ago.

The company reported a net loss of $165.5 million, or $1.63 per share, versus a net loss of $21.9 million, or 24 cents per share, in the first quarter a year ago. Results for the first quarter include a pre-tax charge of $143.6 million in connection with restructuring activity announced on Aug. 21.

Charles E. Sporck, National Semiconductor president and chief executive officer, said: ''National Semiconductor's operating performance was affected by several factors, including a seasonal slowing in shipments, pricing pressure in certain product areas and operating losses in the product areas identified during recent restructuring activity.''

In connection with the restructuring activity announced during the first quarter, National Semiconductor said that it will cease development of very high-speed, high-density SRAMs (one megabit and above). The company will continue to manufacture 256k BiCMOS SRAMs, as well as BiCMOS SRAMs at lower densities.

It will continue active development of BiCMOS process technologies in support of a wide range of products throughout the company.

Additionally, as part of the restructuring, National Semiconductor said it will refocus its ASIC organization, concentrating on ECL and high-performance gate arrays, as well as CLASIC and CMOS customer-owned tooling. The company will discontinue development of high-density CMOS gate arrays, while continuing to support existing CMOS families.

The company will consolidate all military-product assembly and test activity into its South Portland, Maine, plant, and will close its Tucson, Ariz., military and aerospace facility. It will also close one fab line at its Puyallup, Wash., plant.

As a result of these actions, National Semiconductor announced on Aug. 21 a worldwide workforce reduction of approximately 2,000 positions.

Sporck continued: ''As we had anticipated, bookings during the summer were significantly below the record levels which the company experienced during the spring. Given the uncertain economic environment, we are taking a cautious position concerning the near-term outlook for the semiconductor industry.''

National Semiconductor Corp. designs, manufactures and markets high-performance semiconductors and board-level connectivity products. With headquarters in Santa Clara, the company is a global leader in mixed analog-and-digital technologies.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Managing Partner George T. Shaheen on Thursday announced that Andersen Consulting has become the first professional services firm to join the Microelectronics and Computer Technology Corp. (MCC) as a shareholder.

The announcement was made jointly with Craig I. Fields, president, chief technical officer and chief operating officer of the consortium of advanced technology companies, at a news briefing.

''We are pleased to welcome Andersen Consulting and the broad industry perspective they will bring to our research team,'' Fields said. ''An applications focus and user sensitivity are vital to technology development, and Andersen Consulting has demonstrated expertise in these areas.

''This orientation is particularly important to our efforts because it complements MCC's implementation of a 'vertically integrated' research strategy.''

Shaheen added: ''Demands caused by globalization, competitive pressures and the growing sophistication of end users often require that businesses implement promising and innovative technologies quickly. Our shareholder position in MCC will enhance our ability to help clients integrate those technologies faster.''

Andersen Consulting will participate in MCC's newly launched Formal Methods Transition Study and the Software Technology Program.

W. James Fischer, Andersen Consulting's managing partner of technology services, will serve on MCC's board of directors, allowing the firm to assist in setting the consortium's policies and overall research agenda. In addition Andersen Consulting will join MCC's Technical Advisory Board, which provides strategic technical planning for the consortium.

Andersen Consulting and MCC, along with the University of Michigan, were

awarded one of six collaboration technology (or ''groupware'') research grants from the National Science Foundation (NSF) in June 1989.

''After working together with MCC on the NSF groupware project and after conducting a careful and detailed review of their initiatives, we found that the synergy between MCC and Andersen Consulting research projects was very high,'' said Shaheen.

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TACOMA, WA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Puget Sound Bancorp (NASDAQ: PSNB) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer W.W. Philip announced Thursday that Roy A. Henderson, president and chief operating officer, is leaving the company.

Philip will assume the duties of president.

''We wish Roy well,'' Philip said. ''Roy and I have different management styles and philosophies, which ultimately led to his departure. While his tenure with Bancorp has been relatively brief, he has contributed to our continuing success.''

Henderson joined the bank in 1988 as president. ''Puget Sound Bancorp is a strong institution with a promising future,'' Henderson said. ''I have enjoyed working with everyone at PSB.''

Puget Sound Bancorp is Washington's largest independent commercial bank, with $4.4 billion in assets and over 100 offices serving Western Washington.

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LAS VEGAS (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE (SEPT. 20) - Goldriver Limited Partnership (Goldriver), the owner of Sam's Town Gold River Hotel and Gambling Hall and its wholly-owned subsidiary Goldriver Finance Corporation (GFC), announced today that based on unaudited income statements for the months ended July 31 and August 31, 1990 which reflect net losses of $1,398,000 and $2,085,000, respectively, and based on recent information provided by California Hotel & Casino, the operator of the facility, Goldriver and GFC now anticipate that

Goldriver will not be able to fully fund (and GFC to pay) the November 1, 1990 interest payment on GFC's 13-7/8 percent First Mortgage Bonds due May 1, 1997.

Goldriver and GFC also announced that based upon expressions of interest received to date, it is unlikely that Goldriver will obtain subscriptions for the additional $3,904,749 of equity required by October 12, 1990 under the Bond Indenture.

The failure to obtain said subscriptions will obligate GFC to make (and Goldriver to fund) a $1,180,000 cash payment to Bondholders by October 19, 1990. It presently appears that the cash payment may not be made.

Goldriver will shortly schedule a meeting with Bondholders to review the situation and discuss possible solutions.

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WILMINGTON, MASS. (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Denning Mobile Robotics Inc. (NASDAQ:GARD) Thursday announced that it will ship six studio camera robots (Roboped) in the next five weeks, completing the first half of an order from A.F. Associates Inc. for 21 Robopeds with a retail value in excess of $1 million.

Denning's Chairman R. Warren George II stated that of the next 10 Robopeds to be shipped against this order, three are expected to go to Singapore, four to England and three additional units to CNN.

In addition, the company announced that two Denning Sentry security robots will be shipped next week, one to the U.S. Army in New Jersey, and the second to a new museum in Hong Kong.

Denning is the leading developer of intelligent mobile robots. Its products include robotic industrial vacuum cleaners and floor scrubbers, robotic security guards, robotic transport and positioning systems for cameras in television studios and robotic materials transport systems for use in offices, hotels and manufacturing facilities.

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QUINCY, MA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Clean Harbors Inc. (NASDAQ:CLHB) Thursday announced its results for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 and the recent decision by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection regarding the hazardous waste incinerator which the company has proposed to build at its Braintree, Mass. facility.

Revenues for the second quarter increased by more than 15 percent to $40,585,000 with net income of $1,427,000 or $.16 per common and common equivalent share, as compared to revenues of $35,123,000 with net income of $1,327,000 or $.15 per common and common equivalent share during the second quarter last year.

Six-month revenues were $75,121,000 with net income of $2,046,000 or $.23 per common and common equivalent share, as compared to revenues of $68,172,000 with net income of $1,748,000 or $.19 per common and common equivalent share for the six-month period ended Aug. 31, 1989.

In response to the recent determination by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection that the company's Braintree site is not suitable for the proposed hazardous waste incinerator, the company expects to write down its investment in this project during its third fiscal quarter, which would result in a one-time pre-tax charge against operations of approximately $16 million.

Condensed Statements of Income
(unaudited)
(thousands, except share data)

	Three Months ended Aug. 31,		Six Months ended Aug. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$40,585	$35,123	$75,121	$68,172
Gross profit	10,709	10,176	19,421	19,118
SG & A	6,291	6,424	12,117	13,119
Amort. int. assets	368	260	684	555
Operating income	4,050	3,492	6,620	5,364
Interest exp., net	1,545	1,084	3,036	2,216
Profit before taxes	2,505	2,408	3,584	3,148
Net income	$1,427	$1,327	$2,046	$1,748
Net income per common and common equivalent share	$.16	$.15	$.23	$.19
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	9,078,549	9,136,930	9,086,294	9,133,997

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SHELTON, CONN. (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Transnational Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:TRSL), a diversified aerospace company, Thursday reported a net loss for the second quarter ended July 31, 1990 of $354,000, or 15 cents per common share after giving effect to preferred dividends of $55,000, as compared to a $106,000 profit, or after preferred dividends of $49,000, 2 cents per common share in the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

Net sales for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 were $6,747,000 compared with $8,000,000 a year earlier.

Commenting on the results, Thomas J. Flaherty, Transnational president stated that ''reduced shipments, principally of military orders, and normal start-up costs on new commercial programs at both our jet engine amnd airframe subsidiaries were the major contributors to the loss. The new commercial programs, which are in the final stages of their initial production, will be in full production in the second half of our fiscal year.

Backlogs at Transnational's jet engine and airframe components business continue to be strong at $29.4 million and $28 million, respectively, at Aug. 31, 1990.

Consolidated backlogs hit a record $61.2 million as compared to $54.5 million at Aug. 31, 1989.

Revenues for the six months ended July 31, 1990 were $12,997,000 down from $15,498,000 in the compatible period a year ago. Net loss for the period was $486,000, or, after giving effect to preferred dividends of $93,000, 22 cents per share, as compared to a profit of $332,000, or, after giving effect to preferred dividends of $98,000, 9 cents per share in the comparable period of fiscal 1990.

Headquartered in Shelton, Transnational through its subsidiaries, AlloyTek Inc. (Grandville, Mi.) and Magna Mill Products Inc. (South Gate, Calif.), specializes in the fabrication of oil tanks and precision components of afterburner assemblies for jet engines, and in the machining of landing gear and other complex airframe components.

Through its Spitz Inc. subsidiary (Chadds Ford, Pa.), the company designs and manufactures a variety of state-of-the-art simulation equipment, including computer-controlled astronomical simulators and simulations domes.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. (NASDAQ:COMS) Thursday announced results for the first quarter ended Aug. 31.

Net income was $5.0 million, or 17 cents per share, on sales of $106.2 million as compared with net income of $1.2 million, or 4 cents per share, on sales of $89.1 million during the year-earlier period. Orders for the current fiscal period were $96.9 million, up from $94.8 million a year ago.

''Strength in our adapter business continues to contribute favorably to the overall growth of our data networking business,'' said Eric Benhamou, 3Com's president and chief executive officer. ''New product sales in the transmission systems segment of our business helped partially offset the softness experienced this quarter in workgroup systems products.''

Benhamou noted that customer acceptance of the recently introduced 10Base-T products and the Etherlink 16 adapter has been encouraging. Revenues from new products represented 33 percent of total sales in the first quarter as compared with 10 percent in the previous year's quarter.

''While first quarter results reflect a significant improvement over the prior year, we recognize the need to continue working to increase profitability. Key to achieving this objective is increasing the incoming order rate in all product areas while sustaining gross margins and carefully monitoring expenses '' Benhamou said.

3Com's balance sheet at the end of the first quarter posted cash increasing more than $5.6 million to $92.3 million from the May quarter. Continued strong performance in both accounts receivable and inventories contributed to positive cash flow during the quarter. 3Com Corp. is a leading independent global data networking company, providing multivendor connectivity that spans organizations and businesses worldwide. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports networking systems based on industry standards and open systems architecture.

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NASHVILLE, TENN. (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Jerome S. Tannenbaum, president and chief executive officer of REN Corporation-USA, Thursday announced that James W. Egan has joined REN as executive vice president and chief financial officer.

Egan has served for the past four years as president and chairman of Preway Inc., a public company involved in manufacturing and consumer products. Prior to joining Preway, Egan was vice president (finance), treasurer and director of General Housewares Corp., a manufacturer of houseware products, where he was responsible for all financial accounting, tax, legal, audit, public reporting and planning activities.

Egan, a Certified Public Accountant, also served previously as supervising senior manager at Peat Marwick Main and Co. in New York City.

Commenting on Egan's appointment as executive vice president and chief financial officer, Tannenbaum stated: ''We are indeed fortunate to have a person of Mr. Egan's capabilities join REN. His 25 years of experience with the financial and investment community and his demonstrated strengths in operations will greatly benefit REN as we continue to grow.''

REN Corporation - USA is engaged primarily in providing renal dialysis services to patients suffering from chronic kidney failure. Dialysis services are provided principally at the company's 23 freestanding outpatient REN Centers located in nine states. The company also provides outpatient dialysis services to patients in their homes and inpatient dialysis services through contracts with 20 hospitals.

In addition, the company performs blood, tissue and urine testing services for its REN Centers, as well as for independent physicians and industry, at its three clinical laboratories. The company's common stock is included in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''RENL.''

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Zenox Inc. (NASDAQ:ZENO) announced Wednesday that Benny Varzi has joined Zenox in the senior position of vice-president of Mergers and Acquisitions.

Varzi has spent over 10 years in the brokerage industry, with Smith Barney and Prudential Bache Securities, and is seen as adding further strength to the M & A division for Zenox, according to Richard English, Zenox president and chief executive officer.

Zenox is a divesified USA holding company with existing USA subsidiaries engaged in manufacturing, healthcare, communications, car rental franchise operations, investments and construction industries. Zenox has undergone significant growth in the past 16 months, primarily through an aggressive program of acquisitions.

The addition of another senior M & A executive is indicative that this trend will continue, especialy in light of the latest expansion of Zenox business ventures in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameritrust Corp. (NASDAQ:AMTR) Thursday announced the appointment of three executives to key positions in its Credit Policy and Risk Management Group.

These appointments are effective immediately.

Peter R. Butcher has been named executive vice president and senior credit policy officer and will be responsible for managing the quality of the corporation's loan portfolio, and for developing and implementing lending policies and strategies.

Kevin M. Blakely has been named senior vice president and will be responsible for the review of credit and credit administration risk throughout the corporation.

Karl G. Grunawalt has been promoted to senior vice president and will oversee the management of all assigned assets in workout and the early identification of potential problem loans.

Formed in May, 1990, the Credit Policy and Risk Management Group is responsible for the implementation of corporate-wide risk policy and for the improvement of asset quality. William Haffke, executive vice president, was appointed head of the group. Butcher, Blakely and Grunawalt will report directly to Haffke.

Butcher's career in banking began in 1956 with Midland Bank in London. Over a 32-year period, he held positions of increasing responsibility in credit policy and review functions with the Midland organization in the United Kingdom, Canada and the United States, including senior vice president and senior credit policy officer of Crocker Bank. Most recently, he has been a principal of ICON Associates, a bank consulting firm.

Blakely joined the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) in 1973 as a field examiner following his graduation from college. His entire professional career has been with the OCC in bank examination and supervision. He was most recently deputy comptroller for Special Supervision and served as chairman of the Appraisal Subcommittee, which was created to provide regulatory oversight of appraisers.

Grunawalt joined Ameritrust in 1980, and has served in several assignments in the Corporate Banking Group. In 1986, he formed and managed the Corporate Finance Unit and in the following year was named vice president of the Mezzanine/Equity Finance Department, a unit of the Merchant Banking Division.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Telebit Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:TBIT), pioneers of the high-speed dial-up modem, Thursday announced a corporate restructuring reflecting its strategic diversification plan initiated in mid-1989.

A major element of the restructuring is the creation of four autonomous business units, each sharing corporate finance, administration and sales functions, with each maintaining independent marketing and engineering activities.

The newly created Telebit Network Systems and Telebit Software Products units represent an extension of the company's core technology into the inter-networking markets and an entry into the communications-related software markets, respectively. Both units will introduce their first products in the fourth quarter of 1990.

The company's core business will be focused in the Telebit Data Communications unit, while the Telebit International unit will focus on the rapidly growing international markets.

Accompanying the organization restructuring will be an approximate 10 percent reduction of the company's workforce. This stems in part from the restructuring of the marketing and engineering functions, and in part from the maturing of several engineering development efforts.

Telebit Corp. designs, manufactures and markets advanced high-speed products for dial-up networking and wide-area communications. The company's patented Packetized Ensemble Protocol (PEP) and proprietary digital signal processing technologies provide extremely reliable error-free communications across the

worldwide switched telephone network.

Telebit markets its products worldwide through distributors, OEMs and VARs. Located in Sunnyvale, Telebit is a publicly held corporation.

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YORKVILLE, N.Y. (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - For the second consecutive year, the member companies of the Digimetrics group have set records for combined sales, net income and earnings per share.

A 15 percent increase in sales, 74 percent rise in net income and near doubling of earnings per share were among the highlights of the results for the 12-month period ending June 30, announced by Patrick G. Shields, the organization's president.

He said combined net sales for the parent company, Digimetrics Inc. of Yorkville, and its subsidiaries, Control Chief Corp. of Bradford, Pa., and Bradford Classics Woodworking of Randolph, N.Y. were $6,112,562 compared to $5,331,294 last year.

Each member of the group, he noted, contributed to the increase; Digimetrics, with a sales growth of 6.7 percent; Control Chief, with an increase of 11.2 percent; and Bradford Classics Woodworking, with an increase of 66.3 percent.

The companies' combined net income climbed to $326,770 for fiscal 1990, from $188,089 recorded the previous year. Earnings per share also jumped 74 percent, to $.101 from $.058.

Shields explained that Digimetrics Inc., which manufactures weld monitoring devices for automated welding operations, had 1990 sales of $881,914; Control Chief Corp., which makes remote control systems for a wide range of industrial applications, had sales of $4,561,539; and Bradford Classics Woodworking, which prodces wood parts such as furniture components and stair balusters and newels for the furniture and home building industries, had sales of $669,109.

He said the group's strong sales performance was accepted by the fact that as of this past June 30, the backlog of orders for the three companies combined stood at $1,185,723, compared to $635,794 at the same time last year.

The backlog at Control Chief was the highest in its history and Bradford Classics' backlog was its first ever. Shields described the high levels of backlog orders as an indication of the strong demand for the companies' products.

Further commenting on the results, he said, ''Control Chief Corporation experienced an exceptionally significant increase in its profits, and although Bradford Classics Woodworking showed a modest loss for the year, the deficit was substantially less than the comparable figure last year. Of course, these losses were anticipated as this new subsidiary, formed in 1988, continues to absorb start-up costs as well as expenses related to its acquisition of the assets of Blood's Grinding and Turnings Inc. in early 1989.

''Overall, we were delighted with Bradford Classics' growth. With the adjustments made in its pricing structure beginning to show results in the fourth quarter, we are confident about its ability to contribute to the future profitability of the group.''

Shields said a comprehensive report of the group's results for fiscal 1990 will be made at the organization's annual meeting in November.

Digimetrics' stock is quoted on NASDAQ under the trading symbol DIGM.

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Patrick G. Shields, 315/736-0158

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Interleaf Inc. Thursday announced that its Technical Publishing Software (TPS) 4 on the IBM RISC System/6000(a) computer will ship on Oct. 15, 1990.

Robert Weiler, Interleaf's president said, ''We've received worldwide interest in having our software run on the IBM RISC System/6000 and we're very pleased to deliver the product a few months ahead of schedule. The RISC System/6000 and Interleaf are an outstanding combination, providing businesses and government with state-of-the-art technology for the most demanding information publishing environments.''

Interleaf TPS enables users to create and revise text and graphics, gather data and put it into professional form automatically, manage the flow of information and documents, and distribute information on paper or electrically. Users can import data into Interleaf TPS from popular word processors, PC's, computer-aided design (CAD) systems, scanners and mainframes.

Interleaf TPS automatically hyphenates and spell checks in 13 languages, and supports European paper sizes, keyboard layouts, and character sets. TPS on RISC System/6000 runs under X windows and is available in the U.S. and internationally. Interleaf has more than 40,000 users worldwide.

CONTACT: Interleaf Inc., Cambridge

John Squire, 617/494-4826, ext. 4470

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BAYSIDE, N.Y. (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The Home Savings Bank (NASDAQ:HMSB) announced Thursday that its Board of Directors voted to suspend payment of the quarterly cash dividend on the Bank's common stock. The $0.1875 per share dividend was last paid on July 19, 1990.

''In view of the current difficult economic environment, the Board of Directors considered it prudent to suspend the dividend,'' said Richard A. Kraemer, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. He added, ''The Board will continue to review the dividend policy on a quarterly basis.''

Mr. Kraemer stated that this action should have no effect on the proposed merger between Home Savings and a subsidiary of H.F. Ahmanson & Co. The proposed merger, which was approved by a vote of Home Savings' shareholders yesterday, is subject to regulatory approval.

The Home Savings Bank, with assets of $1.6 billion, operates 13 full-service banking offices in the boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens, as well as Nassau and Westchester Counties.

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by
Morgen-Walke Associates, New York
Edward Nebb/Bill Newbould, 212/986-5900

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COLUMBUS, OHIO (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Drug Emporium Inc., Thursday announced that it has acquired one franchise and agreed to acquire two others.

Chief Executive Officer Gary Wilber said the company acquired its Charleston, S.C.-based franchise. The territory includes Columbia, S.C., and Augusta, Ga., as well as the Charleston area.

Wilber also announced that the company has preliminary agreements to acquire its franchises in St. Louis, and San Diego.

He added, ''We expect these transactions to close within the next 60 days. We are also continuing active negotiations on other franchises and believe that we will acquire at least one more this year.''

The Charleston, St. Louis and San Diego franchisees currently operate a total

of nine Drug Emporium stores. Wilber pointed out that the transactions involve a combination of Drug Emporium common stock and cash, with an estimated value of $8.8 million. He stated that ''All the markets have room for growth and fit into our expansion plans.''

Including these three acquisitions announced today, Drug Emporium, a national deep-discount drugstore chain, would own and operate 96 stores and franchise another 103 stores specializing in brand-name health and beauty aids, cosmetics and prescription drugs.

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or
Investor Relations Consultants Inc., Columbus
614/436-5592

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CARMEL, IN (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Conseco Inc. (NYSE:CNC) announced Thursday that it has entered into an agreement to acquire Beneficial Standard Life Insurance Co. from a subsidiary of CalFed Inc. (NYSE:CAL) for approximately $140 million in cash.

Conseco intends to consummate the acquisition through Conseco Capital Partners L.P., a Delaware limited partnership to which Conseco and other institutional investors have committed $70 million in equity capital for the purpose of acquiring and operating life insurance companies.

The purchase agreement also calls for close cooperation prior to the closing between representatives of the buyer and seller on management decisions involving Beneficial's operations. The acquisition is expected to close by Dec. 31, subject to the approval of the insurance commissioners of California and Arizona.

Beneficial, rated A+ (Superior) by A.M. Best Co., specializes in annuity and single premium life insurance products. Beneficial markets these products through a combination of general agents and national marketing organizations, and is licensed in 48 states and the District of Columbia. Beneficial had total assets at June 30 of approximately $1.8 billion and total premiums collected and other revenues in the first six months of 1990 of approximately $412 million.

Conseco Chairman Stephen C. Hilbert said, ''Beneficial has been very successful distributing its annuity products through financial institutions. This is a rapidly-growing niche market where Conseco also has considerable expertise. The synergies inherent in this acquisition are very attractive.''

Conseco, a financial services holding company, is headquartered in Carmel. Beneficial would be the third acquisition for Conseco Capital Partners: Great American Reserve Insurance Co. was acquired in June 1990 and the pending acquisition of Lomas Financial Corp.'s life insurance group is expected to be completed during the fall of 1990.

CONTACT: Conseco Inc., Carmel
James W. Rosensteel, 317/573-2893

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BARTLESVILLE, OK (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Phillips 66 Company and Partek Corporation Thursday announced a joint venture that will recycle high density polyethylene plastic (HDPE).

A subsidiary of Phillips 66 Company holds a 51 percent interest and Partek a 49 percent interest in the new venture called Phillips Plastics Recycling Partnership. The partners are investing $3.5 million to launch the joint venture. Phillips is investing nearly $1.8 million and Partek over $1.7 million. John R. VanBuskirk, Phillips 66 senior vice president, plastics, said: ''We see HDPE recycling as a positive step in preserving our environment while providing good business potential. That will be the goal of Phillips Plastics Recycling Partnership.''

The joint venture announced plans to construct a HDPE recycling facility at a site to be determined. Construction of the plant is expected to begin this year and be completed in the summer of 1991. The facility will have the capacity to recycle 20 million pounds of polyethylene a year. The plant will recycle HDPE used by both industries and consumers. Phillips will market all of the recycled polyethylene.

The possibility of building additional recycling facilities at other locations is being studied. Phillips 66 Company has been a major producer of polyethylene in the United States. The company currently is rebuilding its polyethylene production facilities in Pasadena, Texas. The facilities were destroyed in an accident last October. The first 300 million pounds of production capacity is coming onstream at the facility next month.

Partek is a pioneer in developing HDPE recycling technology. It began operation in 1987 and is headquartered in Vancouver, Wash. HDPE is used in a wide variety of consumer, industrial and municipal applications.

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George Minter, 918/661-5204 or 918/661-1215

-30- 2113

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The organizers of United Bank of Philadelphia, a black-controlled commercial bank in organization here, Thursday announced that they have received approval from the Pennsylvania Department of Banking to incorporate as a state-chartered banking institution.

Emma C. Chappell, who will serve as the bank's chairman, was joined during the announcement by Pennsylvania Secretary of Banking Sarah W. Hargrove; Pennsylvania Secretary of the Commonwealth Christopher A. Lewis and by top management representatives from United Bank's principal corporate investors including: Samuel A. McCullough, chairman and CEO, Meridian Bancorp; Robert Palmer, president and CEO, First Pennsylvania Bank; Betty Sue Peabody, president and chief operating officer, Mellon Bank (East); John A. Miller, chairman and CEO, Provident Mutual Life Insurance Co.; Robert E. Chappell, chairman, president and CEO, Provident National Bank; and Ralph F. Desiderio, senior vice president, Continental Bank.

Also participating in the announcement were several of the new bank's board members, including Bishop Frank C. Cummings, bishop of the First Episcopal District, AME Church and James F. Bodine, former president, First Pennsylvania Bank.

According to the State Banking Department, United Bank's charter approval is the first granted for a black-controlled commercial bank since Dec. 12, 1923, when Philadelphia's Citizens and Southern Bank was chartered.

Because Citizens and Southern also was the first black-controlled bank to receive state charter approval, the United Bank charter represents just the second such charter ever approved by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

''This is an important day in the economic history of Philadelphia and its African-American community,'' said Chappell. ''With our charter now approved, we can begin to sell the bank's common stock and to raise the balance of our capital requirement.

''We have an aggressive capital development plan, the support of the city's business and financial leaders and a community that's anxious to have its own financial institution,'' she added. ''We are confident that our effort will be successful, and that United Bank will open its doors this winter as the Commonwealth's only black-controlled commercial bank.''

To date, the bank's organizers have received commitments for $2,770,000 of the total $5 million of required capital. They plan to open the institution at 714 Market Street in center city Philadelphia.

There are currently 36 black-controlled commercial banks in the United States. Philadelphia, the nation's fifth-largest city, has not had a black-controlled commerical bank since 1956, when the Citizens and Southern Bank closed after

36 years of operation. There are currently no black-controlled commercial banks in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

CONTACT: United Bank of Philadelphia (in organization)
A. Bruce Crawley, 215/922-7184

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PUNXSUTAWNEY, PA. (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Plans to ship the industry's first 256/512K VGA featuring the Tseng Labs ET-4000 chip set were unveiled Thursday by Groundhog Graphics Inc.

The uniqueness of The Rainbow lies in its speed, which exceeds the newly released one megabyte cards in the market by 5 to 10 percent. The Rainbow has been found to further exceed the speed of graphics adapters in its own class by over 200 percent.

The Rainbow is expandable from 256K to 512K and is bundled with the ColoRIX Jr. paint program and Lightning Zoom! multiple viewpoint driver, which increases Autocad redraw speed 10 times or more. Further boosting the value of The Rainbow is Groundhog's trademark lifetime warranty.

''This is literally the most exciting development in the graphics board market since the advent of the one megabyte VGA,'' said Doug Sandlin, executive vice president at Groundhog Graphics. He continued, ''We're encouraging our dealers to order now; initial production runs (of several thousand) are already nearly sold out! The market response we're receiving is phenomenal.''

The Rainbow lists for just $199 with 256K memory. For further information, contact Groundhog Graphics at 800/283-2322 or (outside United States) 814/938-8943.

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Marcy Lingenfelter, 814/938-8943

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#90263b0722 09/20/1990 ~Business Wire
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert J. Striffler has been appointed president and chief operating officer of Carvill America.

On his appointment, Striffler said, ''I look forward to accepting the challenge of taking Carvill America into the 1990's as a leading independent intermediary.''

Prior to his new position, Striffler was executive vice president, responsible for U.S. treaty production, for Carvill America, the U.S.-based subsidiary of

The Carvill Group.

A recognized insurance professional, Striffler has served for over 18 years in the reinsurance and insurance industries, including primary underwriting for a major U.S. specialty insurance company. Most recently, he was senior vice president of John F. Sullivan prior to joining the Carvill organization in 1985.

Carvill America, a subsidiary of Carvill Ltd., is a leading insurance intermediary based in Chicago, with offices in Stamford and Atlanta.

CONTACT: Torrance & Associates Inc., New York
Nina Girgis, 212/979-0980

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PUNXSUTAWNEY, PA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Groundhog Graphics has revealed plans to start production of its third hi-res graphics card, The Sunburst 8514/A.

Going beyond the 8514/A standard set by IBM, The Sunburst supports up to two megabytes of dual ported V-RAM, displaying a brilliant 1280 by 1024 resolution in 256 colors. Preliminary tests show The Sunburst to be faster than even the TI-34010 based cards.

Doug Sandlin, executive vice president at Groundhog, commented, ''This board has an incredibly strong price/performance ratio. Users can now access truly sophisticated graphics applications at affordable pricing.''

Through Groundhog's proprietary design, the chip count is only eight, which ensures reliability. The card is vector intensive for CAD/CAM applications, as graphic computation is offloaded from the CPU. Scissoring, line drawing, patterning, color mixing, bit block transfer are among its key features.

The board supports interlaced and non-interlaced display modes, and is hardware accelerated to support hi-res 8514/A monitors and compatibles (pixel clock runs up to 80 MHz). The Sunburst runs any register level compatible or true AI driver, such as Windows and Presentation Manager.

Groundhog has also implemented its trademark Lifetime Warranty making The Sunburst 1MB a value at only $999! Targeted ship date is Nov. 1.

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Marcy Lingenfelter, 814/938-3539

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK. (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - First Commercial Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:FCLR) announced Thursday that its board of directors has approved a new provision of its Shareholder Dividend Reinvestment and Common Stock Purchase Plan.

Under the new provision, First Commercial shareholders can purchase additional stock at 95 percent of market value through reinvestment of dividends. Previously, dividend reinvestment purchases were made at full market value.

The new common stock purchase discount privilege will take effect with the dividend payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 14, 1990. However, shareholders may begin signing up for the dividend reinvestment discount privilege immediately by contacting First Commercial Corp. - Investor Relations, Post Office Box 1471, Little Rock, Ark. 72203; 501/371-7289. There are no brokerage commisions or service fees for dividend reinvestment purchases.

First Commercial Corp.'s board of directors has also adopted a Shareholder Rights Plan designed to prevent an acquiror from gaining control of the corporation without offering a fair price to all of First Commercial's shareholders.

First Commercial Corp. emphasizes that the Shareholder Rights Plan was adopted in response to general developments in corporate takeover activity in order to ensure equitable treatment of all FCC shareholders. FCC is not aware of any effort underway or contemplated to acquire control of the corporation.

CONTACT: First Commercial Corp., Little Rock
William Garner, 501/371-7088

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BUFFALO, N.Y. (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - National Fuel Gas Supply Corp., the pipeline subsidiary of National Fuel Gas Co. (NYSE:NFG), announced Thursday that it plans to accept a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) order approving the final phase of the Niagara-Import Point Project.

Under the order, National Fuel is authorized to transport an additional 161.5 million cubic feet (mmcf) per day of Canadian gas. The volumes will be delivered as follows: Transcontinental Gas Pipeline Co., 125 mmcf/d; an Indeck cogenerating facility at Oswego, N.Y., 12 mmcf/d; the Indeck cogeneration facility at Tonawanda, N.Y., 12 mmcf/d; and 12.5 mmcf/d for National Fuel system supply.

In order to provide this service, National Fuel is authorized to construct an 8,600 horsepower compressor station in the Town of Concord, N.Y., at an

estimated $12.3 million dollars.

In addition, National Fuel will also own 46 percent of the facilities approved to be constructed by Tennessee Gas Transmission Corp. Tennessee is authorized to build the remaining 17.8 miles of the full 49.2 miles of looping on its Niagara Spur, and add 7,000 horsepower to its compressor station at Lockport, N.Y. Construction of all facilities is expected to begin this fall to be completed during the summer of 1991.

Total cost of the jointly owned facilities is estimated to be $65.4 million dollars. National Fuel's share will be $30.1 million dollars.

Richard Hare, president of National Fuel Gas Supply Corp. said, ''When these projects are completed, National Fuel's pipeline system will be a major artery connecting Canada's principal pipeline (Trans-Canada) with Leidy, Pa., the 'hub' of major pipelines that serve the growing markets of the northeast.''

''This is one more step in our strategy to become a prominent supplier of transportation and storage to utilities, cogenerators, and other Northeastern customers purchasing natural gas in Canada.''

Completion of this phase will boost National Fuel's new Canadian gas transportation capacity to 326.5 million cubic feet per day.

CONTACT: National Fuel Gas Corp., Buffalo
Arthur Coon, 716/857-7925 (media)
Donna DeCarolis, 716/857-7872 (financial)

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BOSTON (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - State Street Boston Corp. Thursday announced its quarterly dividend of 17 cents per share.

The dividend is payable Oct. 15, 1990 to stockholders of record as of Oct. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: State Street Boston Corp., Boston
David A. Spina, 617/654-3125

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Dennison Manufacturing Co. (NYSE:DSN) announced Thursday that Dennison and Avery have agreed to give the U.S. Department of Justice until Oct. 12, 1990 to complete its review of their merger.

The companies anticipate closing on or shortly after Oct. 12, 1990. The merger was approved by the stockholders of each company on Sept. 11, 1990.

Dennison is a diversified ''Fortune 500'' manufacturer serving worldwide markets for stationery and office supplies for use in business, school and home; printing systems and fastener products for identification and control; and package decoration systems and materials.

CONTACT: Dennison Manufacturing Co., Framingham
Linda J. Sadowski, 617/890-6350, ext. 3334 (Waltham)

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CLEARWATER, FL (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of PRIDE (Prison Rehabilitative Industries and Diversified Enterprises Inc.) Thursday announced the selection of Pamela Jo Davis, Ph.D. as PRIDE's new president.

''New visions, new leadership and new opportunities will be the cornerstone of PRIDE's ability to meet the challenges of the '90's. Dr. Davis' acceptance is a tremendous plus for PRIDE,'' said F. Philip Handy, chairman of PRIDE. ''Her public and private sector experience is an excellent blend with PRIDE's unique public-private partnership.

''We look forward to her direction and guidance over the coming years.''

Davis has a solid professional background in the public and private sector arenas. She currently serves as a Market Development Manager for Motorola Inc., where she is responsible for strategic and long range planning, product development and marketing activities in domestic and European markets.

Prior to that she served as the Deputy Secretary for the Department of Community Affairs overseeing agency administrative activities including administering millions of dollars in grants, loans and tax exempt housing bonds, lobbying for the agency budget and interfacing with Federal agencies.

Her experience in the public sector also includes a strong background in the corrections arena. As assistant secretary for the Office of Management and Budget in the Department of Corrections, Davis handled administrative services in the areas of finance and budget, information management, and capital construction.

Prior to this she served as the Director of the Women's Detention Center, Metropolitan Dade County where she was responsible for the total operations of a county correctional facility including detention, training, treatment, pretrial services and work release for 190 females.

Davis received both her B.B.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Miami. She

will be replacing outgoing president J. Floyd Glisson who is leaving to pursue other opportunities. Davis will officially assume the duties as president in late October.

The PRIDE program currently operates 56 industries ranging form printing, to computer aided design, to furniture refurbishing at 23 state prison locations. Last year PRIDE trained more than 6,400 inmates and sales exceeded $81 million.

CONTACT: PRIDE, Clearwater
Pat Foote, 813/535-4900

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of NYNEX Corporation Thursday formally declared a quarterly dividend of $1.14, unchanged from the previous quarter, and payable Nov. 1, 1990 to holders of record at the close of business on Sept. 28, 1990.

The number of NYNEX common shares outstanding is approximately 198 million.

CONTACT: NYNEX Corp., White Plains, New York
Janine Mudge (914) 644-7236

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Barbara Caulfield, a partner in the San Francisco law firm of Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison, will join Pacific Telesis Group as a senior counsel for its Pacific Bell unit in late October.

Caulfield has been with Brobeck since 1983, specializing primarily in product liability litigation.

Pacific Telesis Group has 29 senior counsel, of whom about one-third are women. Since the beginning of the year, five new attorneys have been added to Pacific Bell's Northern California litigation group.

The other new additions to the staff include: Ray Churchill, formerly of Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold; Bob Mazique, formerly of the Alameda County District Attorney's Office; Joyce Norcini, formerly of Thelen, Marrin, Johnson & Bridges; and Lisa Zinkan, formerly of Cooper, White & Cooper.

Besides leading Brobeck's litigation training program, Caulfield, 42, has taught trial practice for the National Institute for Trial Advocacy and several Bar Associations. She is an adjunct professor at Stanford Law School, and has been invited to teach at Harvard Law School. She also has traveled

overseas on behalf of the State Department to participate in international trial training programs.

Caulfield received her J.D. in 1972, as well as her B.S. in 1969 in political science, from Northwestern University. She was a trial lawyer until joining the law faculty at the University of California's Hastings College of the Law (1978-83), where she also served as the academic dean from 1980-82.

Caulfield is married to attorney Stephen Mayo. They have five children and reside in Mill Valley. She is a native of Chicago.

CONTACT: Pacific Bell, San Francisco
Lou Saviano, 415/542-4640
or
Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison
Lucy Hopgood-Brown, 415/442-1162

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TARRYTOWN, N.Y. (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Hitachi Ltd.'s board of directors on Sept. 20 passed a resolution to increase the ordinary dividend from 4.5 yen per share to 5.5 yen for the half-year period ending Sept. 30.

After approval by the meeting of the board of directors to be held toward the end of the October, the new interim dividend will be paid in December.

CONTACT: Hitachi America Ltd., Tarrytown
914/332-5800 Z

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MIAMI (SEPT. 20) BUISNESS WIRE - FDP Corp. (NASDAQ:FDPC) Thursday announced the financial results for its third quarter, which ended Aug. 31.

Total revenue for the quarter decreased $527,678 to $3,862,318, compared with $4,389,995 for the comparable period in 1989. The company reported a net earnings of $144,146 (4 cents per share) for the quarter vs. a net earnings of $261,034 (8 cents per share) for the comparable period in fiscal 1989.

Total revenue for the first nine months ended Aug. 31 increased $1,402,495 (13 percent) to $12,365,300, compared with $10,962,804 for the comparable period in 1989.

The company reported a net earnings of $290,703 (9 cents per share) for the nine months vs. a net loss of $46,367 (1 cent per share) for the comparable period in fiscal 1989. Comparisons to the second fiscal 1990 quarter showed

an increase in total revenue of $135,681 (from $3,726,636), an increase in net earnings of $78,565 (from $65,581).

Michael C. Goldberg, chairman, reported that results for the third quarter and the first nine months were positively affected by increases in software related sales of $171,763 (7 percent) and $1,766,024 (30 percent), respectively, from the comparable periods in 1989.

Goldberg noted that the FDP/CLAS System has been licensed to a joint venture of ITT Hartford and ELAR Partners, which is an alliance of independently owned and operated marketing organizations. He also noted that the 30 percent improvement in software sales for the nine months was spread across most of the company's product areas.

FDP's financial condition remains extraordinarily strong with cash and marketable securities of $13,884,071, a current ratio of 8.4 to 1, no debt, and shareholder's equity of $16,967,475.

Miami-based FDP Corp. develops and markets applications software systems for the marketing and administration areas of the pension and life insurance industries.

CONTACT: FDP Corp., Miami
John T. Bowling, 305/858-8200

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AVENEL, NJ (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: LENS) Thursday announced financial results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $6,847,214 compared to $6,889,650 for the comparable quarter in 1989. The net loss for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 was $2,362,449, or $(0.57) per share, as compared to net income of $304,312, or $0.07 per share, reported for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1989.

Revenues for the year ended June 30, 1990 increased to $28,381,201 from $24,774,678 for the year ended June 30, 1989. The net loss for fiscal 1990 was $3,198,225, or $(0.77) per share, as compared to net income of $2,537,590, or $0.62 per share in fiscal 1989.

As a result of the fiscal 1990 loss, CONCORD CAMERA CORP. has failed to satisfy a number of the financial covenants in its bank loan agreement. Although the Company anticipates receiving a waiver of such defaults, the loan agreement provides that the bank may declare a default and exercise its remedies thereunder.

Commenting on the results, Jack C. Benun, Chairman and CEO, stated, ''Fiscal 1990 results were disappointing, but were largely attributable to a series of unusual and unanticipated events. Wrongful actions by certain former officers and directors of the Company's wholly owned Hong Kong subsidiary, Dialbright Company Limited, directly resulted in, among other things, the disruption of manufacturing operations and the re-valuation of certain inventories they had purchased. Our operations in the Far East have since been reorganized under new, on-sight leadership. The Company has initiated legal proceedings in Hong Kong against Dialbright's former managing director and other employees and has been granted an injunction freezing certain of the their assets.

''Additionally, general softness in the retail industry in the third and fourth fiscal quarters forced the Company to increase its selling efforts and expenses, to reduce the prices of its cameras and offer discounts in order to remain competitive and maintain market share.''

Benun further noted, ''Despite these setbacks, the Company believes it has positioned itself to resume profitability in the new fiscal year. As previously announced, the Company is presently producing more cameras than at any time in its history to satisfy existing and anticipated demand and expects to introduce a number of new lines of camera products in the current fiscal year.''

CONCORD CAMERA CORP. is principally engaged in the manufacture and sale of inexpensive 35 millimeter and 110 cartridge cameras which it manufactures and assembles in the People's Republic of China under the CONCORD trademark as well as under private label.

CONTACT: Keith L. Lippert Associates, New York
Keith L. Lippert, John W. Heilshorn, Jr. 212/838-3777

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DALLAS (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Halliburton Co.'s board of directors Thursday approved a $40 million increase to the company's 1990 capital budget for property, plant and equipment.

The 1990 budget now totals $395 million, 11 percent higher than the previously authorized $355 million.

This increase is the second upward revision in 1990. The initial budget of $295 million was increased by $60 million in May 1990. More than 80 percent of the current budget of $395 million is allocated to the Company's oil field services group.

The group's capital needs have increased in response to growing market demand

for a wide variety of its oil field services.

Halliburton Co. is one of the world's largest diversified oil field services, engineering and construction companies. Founded in 1919, Halliburton provides oil field services and products, industrial and marine engineering and construction services, and property and casualty insurance services.

CONTACT: Halliburton Co., Dallas
Guy T. Marcus, 214/978-2691

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#90263b0797 09/20/1990 ~Business Wire
BOSTON (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - State Street Boston Corp. announced I. MacAllister Booth of the Polaroid Corp. has been elected to its board of directors.

Booth has served as president and chief executive officer of Polaroid since 1986. He joined the company in 1958 as a supervisor in the Film Division. Over the course of Booth's tenure at Polaroid, he has played an important role in the development of a number of the corporation's most significant products.

In addition to his responsibilities at Polaroid, Booth serves as a director of Western Digital Corp., Jobs for Massachusetts, and the Conference Board. He is a member of the board of trustees at Eve Research Institute; chairman of the board of INROADS/Boston Inc.; and corporator of Emerson Hospital, Concord, Mass.

He received a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering and and M.B.A. from Cornell University. Booth and his wife reside in Concord, Mass.

State Street Boston Corp. is a bank holding company. Its primary subsidiary, State Street Bank and Trust Co., is a leading servicer of financial assets, with over $800 billion in worldwide assets under custody.

CONTACT: State Street Boston Corp., Boston
Elizabeth D. Coxe, 617/654-3395

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#90263b0804 09/20/1990 ~Business Wire
AUSTIN, TX (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Healthcare International Inc. (ASE/PSE:HII) Thursday announced that it has completed the previously announced transfer of its operating lease on Eastwood Medical Center in Memphis, Tenn., to a physician partnership formed by Regent Health Group Inc.

Regent is a privately owned hospital management company based in Austin.

In connection with the transfer, Regent has executed a new 10-year lease with HealthVest, a health care-related real estate investment trust which owns the Eastwood real property. The new lease has minimum annual rental payments of approximately $4.8 million.

Healthcare will remain obligated to HealthVest for any difference between the annual base rent it owes through the termination of its original Eastwood lease in February 1992 (approximately $7.6 million per year) and the rent paid by Regent under the new lease.

Healthcare International provides a wide range of health care products and services to both local and national markets through 21 facilities in 4 states. The company's Class A common stock is listed for trading on the American and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol HII.

CONTACT: Corporate Communications Inc., Nashville, Tenn.
Patrick J. Watson, 615/254-3376

-30- 1460

#90263b0806 09/20/1990 ~Business Wire

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - EnviroSource Inc. reported Thursday that its board of directors had decided to omit regular quarterly dividends aggregating approximately $1.4 million otherwise payable in October 1990 on its Class G $7.25 Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock and Class H Convertible Preferred Stock.

EnviroSource supplies industrial customers with long-term, specialized services, primarily the recycling, handling, stabilization or landfilling of environmentally sensitive wastes or by-products.

CONTACT: EnviroSource, Stamford
George E. Fuehrer, 203/321-1107

-30- 775

#90263b0808 09/20/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Wednesday announced that the company has temporarily suspended mill construction at its Ray copper mine expansion project in Arizona pending the resolution of an issue related to permitting at the site.

Construction of in-pit crushing and conveying facilities and mine development work will continue without interruption. Asarco said it is currently in discussions with State and Federal Environmental Protection Agencies and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers regarding issues related to the optimum location of a mine tailings disposal site, which is part of its previously announced $194 million expansion program at the Ray Mine.

The expansion will result in an increase in Ray's mining and milling rate to 60,000 tons of ore per day and an increase in production capacity from today's 115,000 tons-per-year rate to 182,000 tons of copper per year by 1992.

The program consists of new mining equipment, in-pit crushing, accelerated pre-mine stripping and the construction of a new mill located at the mine site.

The company noted that mill construction at the Ray Mine is currently well ahead of schedule and if the tailings location matter is promptly resolved, as the company expects, the Ray expansion should remain on schedule for its 1992 completion date.

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

CONTACT: ASARCO Incorporated, New York
Gerard F. Corbett, 212/510-1810

-30- 1936
#90263c0089 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, R.L. BRADDOCK, DIR. OF UNICO INC. (TICKER: UNRC), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90263c0090 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, J.L. BURR, BEN. OWNER OF MARIAH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MRHI) SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c0091 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, J.L. BURR, BEN. OWNER OF MARIAH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MRHI) SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,617,500.

-30- 329
#90263c0093 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, D.K. BINNER, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PPLB) (PENNSYLVANIA) BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 328
#90263c0094 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, R.J. MCMINDES, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: PPLB) BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,577.

-30- 323
#90263c0095 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, T.I. SIEGEL, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: PPLB) BOUGHT 3,917 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,200.

-30- 319
#90263c0096 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, W.L. WEISS, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES CORP.(TICKER: AIT) BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $54.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,010.

-30- 357
#90263c0097 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, PETROFINA DELAWARE INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), BOUGHT 100 CLASS A SHARES AT $74.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90263c0098 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, PETROFINA DELAWARE INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), BOUGHT 400 CLASS A SHARES AT $73.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90263c0099 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, PETROFINA DELAWARE INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), BOUGHT 200 CLASS A SHARES AT $70.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90263c0101 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 20, 1990, PETROFINA DELAWARE INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), BOUGHT 100 CLASS A SHARES AT $71.83 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90263c0102 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, PETROFINA DELAWARE INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), BOUGHT 200 CLASS A SHARES AT $72.84 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90263c0103 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, PETROFINA DELAWARE INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), BOUGHT 100 CLASS A SHARES AT $71.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90263c0104 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, PETROFINA DELAWARE INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), BOUGHT 300 CLASS A SHARES AT $72.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90263c0105 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, PETROFINA DELAWARE INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), BOUGHT 100 CLASS A SHARES AT $72.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90263c0106 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, PETROFINA DELAWARE INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), BOUGHT 200 CLASS A SHARES AT $72.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90263c0107 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, PETROFINA DELAWARE INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), BOUGHT 400 CLASS A SHARES AT $73.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,383,456.

-30- 358
#90263c0109 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, H.M. VISAGIE, VP OF CURRAGH RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CZP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90263c0110 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, H.M. VISAGIE, VP OF CURRAGH RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CZP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 312
#90263c0111 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, J.M. HOLLIDAY, DIR. OF CNB CORPORATION. SOLD 100 SHARES AT $52.51 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,100.

-30- 279
#90263c0112 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, T.K. MEIER, DIR. OF CHEMUNG FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 292
#90263c0113 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, W.A. TRYON, DIR. OF CHEMUNG FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 293
#90263c0114 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 11, 1990, T.E. ADAMS, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANCORP INC (TICKER: CBPA) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c0115 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 24, 1990, T.E. ADAMS, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANCORP. INC BOUGHT 198 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90263c0117 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c0118 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 254 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c0119 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 140 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c0120 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c0121 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90263c0122 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c0123 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0125 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, J.P. JOHNSTON, DIR. OF FIRST BANKING CO. OF SOUTHEAST (GEORGIA) BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,904.

-30- 328

#90263c0126 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, R.E. AGAN, PRES. OF HARDINGE BROTHERS INC (TICKER: HDNG) BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c0127 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 30, 1990, R.E. AGAN, PRES. OF HARDINGE BROTHERS INC (TICKER: HDNG) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,495.

-30- 310
#90263c0128 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, T.T. CONNELLY, VP OF HARDINGE BROTHERS INC (TICKER: HDNG) BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90263c0129 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 30, 1990, T.T. CONNELLY, VP OF HARDINGE BROTHERS INC (TICKER: HDNG) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,866.

-30- 312
#90263c0130 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, M.L. GIBSON, OFFICER OF HARDINGE BROTHERS INC (TICKER: HDNG) BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0131 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 30, 1990, M.L. GIBSON, OFFICER OF HARDINGE BROTHERS INC (TICKER: HDNG) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,866.

-30- 318
#90263c0133 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, W.E. SCHMIDT, DIR. OF NCA MINERALS CORP.(TICKER: NCAM) SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 89,363.

-30- 306
#90263c0134 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, C.E. COLE, DIR. OF NORTH PITTSBURGH SYSTEMS INC. BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,605.

-30- 308
#90263c0135 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, J.M. KOLBAS, DIR. OF NBT BANCORP INC BOUGHT 541 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,171.

-30- 282
#90263c0136 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, H.R. PRATT II, DIV. OFFICER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 1,075 SHARES AT $9.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,332.

-30- 345
#90263c0137 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, SCIENCE APP PENSION P/S PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 66,902 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90263c0138 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, SCIENCE APP PENSION P/S PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. BOUGHT 251,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,179,770.

-30- 356
#90263c0139 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, N.M. BORDEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SHENANDOAH TELECOMMUNICATIONS CO. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $88.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 345
#90263c0141 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 20, 1990, J.M. HARP, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUMMIT BANCSHARES INC. BOUGHT 239 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0142 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, F. RADAU, DIR. OF SMITHTOWN BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,409.

-30- 290
#90263c0143 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, M.J. SHEETS, DIR. OF GLENMORE DISTILLERIES CO. (TICKER: GDS), BOUGHT 200 CLASS B SHARES AT $22.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 326
#90263c0144 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, R. CHAPIN, DIR. OF NORTON CO.(TICKER: NRT) SOLD 15,197 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 251

#90263c0145 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, K.N. KERMES, DIR. OF NORTON CO.(TICKER: NRT) SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90263c0146 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, A.E. MIRTI, CHAIRMAN OF PRECISION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: PRES) BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c0147 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, A.E. MIRTI, CHAIRMAN OF PRECISION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: PRES) BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 217,040.

-30- 328
#90263c0149 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, R.J. ENDRES, DIV. OFFICER OF SOUTHERN UNION CO. (TICKER: SUG) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90263c0150 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, R.J. ENDRES, DIV. OFFICER OF SOUTHERN UNION CO. (TICKER: SUG) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90263c0151 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, R.J. ENDRES, DIV. OFFICER OF SOUTHERN UNION CO. (TICKER: SUG) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 319
#90263c0152 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, T.O. LASHLEE, DIR. OF VOLUNTEER BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: VOLB) BOUGHT 486 SHARES AT $10.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,281.

-30- 320
#90263c0153 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, D.C. MILLS, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST BUSEY CORP. (TICKER: BUSE), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,889.

-30- 308
#90263c0154 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, D.B. HAY, VP OF CORONA CORP. (TICKER: ICR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER CLASS A SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 291
#90263c0155 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, M.E. THORNHILL, DIR. OF LDDS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: LDDS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 261,788.

-30- 329
#90263c0157 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMCA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c0158 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMCA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c0159 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMCA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c0160 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 20, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMCA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c0161 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMCA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c0162 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMCA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0163 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMCA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,575,884.

-30- 333
#90263c0165 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 17, 1990, D.A. HITE, PRES. OF VERONEX RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: VX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.27 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 201,750.

-30- 314
#90263c0166 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 13, 1990, P.E. TSONGAS, DIR. OF WANG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: WAN), BOUGHT 100 CLASS B SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90263c0167 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 13, 1990, P.E. TSONGAS, DIR. OF WANG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: WAN), BOUGHT 100 CLASS B SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90263c0168 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 13, 1990, P.E. TSONGAS, DIR. OF WANG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: WAN), BOUGHT 100 CLASS B SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 320
#90263c0169 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 13, 1990, M.L. ABNEY, VP OF FIRST FINANCIAL SHARES BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 295
#90263c0170 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 15, 1990, J.K. REYNOLDS, DIR. OF FALCONBRIDGE GOLD CORP. BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 269

#90263c0171 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, J.K. REYNOLDS, DIR. OF FALCONBRIDGE GOLD CORP. BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $2.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90263c0173 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, V.H. CASSENS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WOODWARD GOVERNOR CO.(TICKER: WGOV) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,178.

-30- 348
#90263c0174 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, T.K. LEIDY, DIR. OF UNIVEST CORP.(TICKER: UVSP) (PENNSYLVANIA) BOUGHT 450 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,771.

-30- 305
#90263c0175 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 1, 1989, K.R. HROVAT, PRES. OF THE GEORGE WORTHINGTON CO. BOUGHT 1,584 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,584.

-30- 306
#90263c0176 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, G.E. JANSSEN, CHAIRMAN OF F&M BANCORPORATION INC. BOUGHT 920 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,152.

-30- 313
#90263c0177 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

E. SHAPIRO OWNS 1,008,604 SHARES (37.10%) OF NUVISION INC (TICKER: NUVI) OF

FLINT, MI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 18, 1990, E. Shapiro borrowed $337,800 from First of America Bank-Mid Michigan, N.A., in connection with his purchase of 100,099 shares in a private purchase. E. Shapiro executed a promissory note providing for monthly payments of interest only at the bank's base rate plus 1.00 percent, as such rate may change, which must be fully paid by Oct. 5, 1991; and a security agreement, pledging 200,000 shares to the bank. The security agreement contains standard default provisions. E. Shapiro filed a statement on schedule 13g in February, 1990 and the number of shares owned was in fact 815,284 as of that filing instead of 816,462, as was stated.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 13 through Sept. 18, 1990, E. Shapiro purchased 104,699 shares at a price of $3.38 to $3.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 1148
#90263c0180 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 17, 1990, Berkshire entered into an oral agreement, subject to the satisfaction that PSG (TICKER: PSG) has amended its shareholder rights plan to allow for the ownership of up to 22.5 percent of the stock by Warren E. Buffett, Berkshire and their affiliates, without triggering the provisions of the shareholder rights plan, to purchase 613,122 shares of the stock through Jefferies & Co. Inc., at a purchase price of $33.05 per share, including commission.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

At undisclosed dates, Berkshire Hathaway Inc. have expended $18,680,792 in open market purchases of an aggregate 603,275 shares of the stock and they anticipate that additional funds in the amount of $20,263,682 will be used to purchase an aggregate of 613,122 additional shares of stock.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1050
#90263c0181 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

C.E. BERG OWNS 2,806,979 SHARES (10.98%) OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: IDTI) OF SANTA CLARA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Berg is a member of Integrated Device Technology Inc.'s board and he holds options to purchase up to 20,000 shares of the issuer's common stock, at a purchase price of $5.25 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Jan. 17, 1990 through Sept. 11, 1990, C.E. Berg has purchased 1,423,000 shares at a price of $3.66 to $6.16 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 715
#90263c0183 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

BGC SPECIAL EQUITY LP OWNS 155,959 SHARES (10.90%) OF KENTUCKY MEDICAL INSURANCE CO (TICKER: KYMD) OF LOUISVILLE, KY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

BGC Special Equity LP purchased 117,499 shares from July 23 to Sept. 10, 1990 for $16.88 to $20 per share, received 108,571 shares as capital contributions from limited partners from July 20 to Aug. 31, 1990 and sold 102,103 shares from Sept. 6-14, 1990 for $10 to $16.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 675
#90263c0184 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

NEW VISION MUSIC OWNS 5,421,800 SHARES (54.00%) OF VIDEO JUKEBOX NETWORK INC (TICKER: JUKE) OF MIAMI, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 31, 1990, VJN Investments Inc. assigned its interest in VJN Partners, which included the shares of 5,421,800 shares of Video Jukebox Network Inc., to New Vision Music. New Vision Music has granted an irrevocable proxy to Robert J. Miron to exercise the voting rights of NVM with respect to its interest in VJN Partners.

-30- 672
#90263c0185 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 21, 1990, Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. presented a financial analysis of cash flows for Tony Lama Co.(TICKER: TLAM) for a five year period.

-30- 378
#90263c0186 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

R.C. ROSE OWNS 239,985 SHARES (7.30%) OF DATAFLEX CORP (TICKER: DFLX) OF EDISON, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 27, 1990, Jeffrey Lamm, the company's chairman, gave notice to R.C. Rose and Gordon McLenithan, both executives of Dataflex Corp., that he had elected to terminate certain stock options which he had previously granted to them pursuant to stock option agreements dated Feb. 28, 1990. R.C. Rose had been granted options to purchase 144,000 shares at $9.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Termination of stock options.

-30- 718
#90263c0187 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Justin Ind. Inc. do not anticipate that the court will enjoin the consummation of the tender offer in the case of Justin Industries Inc. v. Choctaw Securities LP, et al. If the court does enjoin the offer, Justin Ind. Inc. anticipate that they will extend the offer.

-30- 491
#90263c0189 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

SHEET METAL WORKERS NATIONAL PENSION FUND OWNS 27,347,109 SHARES (68.03%) OF CHRONAR CORP (TICKER: CRNR) OF LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 3 and Sept. 6, 1990, EJC paid an aggregate of $800,000 to Chronar as further deposits towards the $4 million purchase price of the contemplated sale by Chronar to EJC of certain technology relating to the Eureka equipment previously sold by Chronar to EJC. Pursuant to a stock purchase agreement dated Sept. 13, 1990, EJC agreed to issue 1 percent of its common equity to Renaissance in partial consideration for Renaissance's consent to the sale of the Eureka technology. At the same time, Sheet Metal Workers National Pension Fund entered into a note purchase agreement with Harbert pursuant to which NPF purchased Harbert's 25 percent interest in the loan receivable arising out of

Chronar's indebtedness to Midlantic, thereby eliminating the need for Harbert's consent to the Eureka purchase. The Eureka purchase was then consummated on Sept. 13, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Stock purchase agreement.

-30- 1283
#90263c0190 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY CENTRAL NATIONAL-GOTTESMAN INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 2,500,000 SHARES (11.26%) OF PROSPECT GROUP INC (TICKER: PROS) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mark Rosenblatt owns 10,000 shares of common stock of the company which he purchased on Sept. 17, 1990 for an aggregate purchase price of $23,750. Powers of attorney for the following individuals, Arthur Ross and James G. Wallach, are attached.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 6, 1990 through Sept. 17, 1990, the Central Nat'l- Gottesman Inc. have purchased 1,006,000 shares at a price of $2.25 to $2.38 per share.

-30- 802
#90263c0192 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY NEW YORK & FOREIGN SEC CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 367,259 SHARES (18.50%) OF BCI GEONETICS INC (TICKER: BCGN) OF LACONIA, NH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From May 25, 1990 through Aug. 24, 1990, New York & Foreign SEC Corp. purchased 106,300 shares at a price of $1 to $2 per share, and sold 10,000 shares at a price of $1.95 per share.

-30- 558

#90263c0193 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ARMSTRONG WORLD INDUSTRIES INC OF LANCASTER, PA OWNS 5,654,450 SHARES (8.18%) OF COMMERCIAL NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORP OF LATROBE, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 415
#90263c0194 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER J CAMPBELL JR OF 3439 VIA LOMA VISTA, ESCONDIDO, CA 92029, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,588 SHARES OF THE ARIL GROUP (TICKER: ARIL) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 10, 1990.

(THE ARIL GROUP TEL: 407 272-6200)

-30- 412
#90263c0195 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS IRA DOLL OF 5320 SHORELINE BLVD, 0, MOUND, MN 55364, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF QUARTZ INC. (TICKER: QURZ) THROUGH EQUITY SECS TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(QUARTZ INC. TEL: 612 472-5545)

-30- 393
#90263c0196 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAMELA GERNERT OF 1775 LEATHER LEAF LANE, LAS VEGAS, NV 89123, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-3300)

-30- 418
#90263c0197 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - HANK C CHANG OF 14230 PAUL AVE, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,450 SHARES OF CALIFORNIA MICRO DEVICES CORP. (TICKER: CAMD) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(CALIFORNIA MICRO DEVICES CORP. TEL: 408 263-3214)

-30- 442
#90263c0198 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANTHONY RUSSO OF 15 MOUNT SINAL AVE ST, PORT JEFFERSON, NY 11776, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF PHILLIPS (E.N.) CO. (TICKER: ENPQ) THROUGH GRUNTAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 13, 1990.

(PHILLIPS (E.N.) CO. TEL: 818 999-1330)

-30- 417
#90263c0200 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LYNN STEYER OF 3145 P STREET, LINCOLN, NE 68543, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,500 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH BANKERS SYS BRKG SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 417
#90263c0201 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E B HAMILTON JR OF P O BOX 292, DURANGO, CO 81302, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,115 SHARES OF FIBERCHEM INC. (TICKER: FOCS) THROUGH PRIVATE INVESTORS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(FIBERCHEM INC. TEL: 505 292-6901)

-30- 394
#90263c0202 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MANNING MICHAEL J TRUST OF 1020 PROSPECT STREET, STE 317, LA JOLLA, CA 92037, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF WATSON GENERAL PICTURES INC.

(TICKER: WGEN) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(WATSON GENERAL PICTURES INC. TEL: 619 454-1106)

-30- 477
#90263c0203 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD B DORN OF 3461 OCEAN DRIVE, CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78411, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(FOREST OIL CORP. TEL: 814 368-7171)

-30- 405
#90263c0204 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUD INVESTMENTS INC OF P O BOX 183, GILLETTE, WY 82717, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,316 SHARES OF VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS & RADIO INC (TICKER: VCRI) THROUGH JOHN G KINNARD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS & RADIO INC TEL: 307 686-9348)

-30- 460
#90263c0205 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT H SOHVAL OF 202 FULLER, 0, BROOKLINE, MA 02146, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ELSCINT LTD. (TICKER: ELT) THROUGH OSCAR GRUSS & SON INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(ELSCINT LTD. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 395
#90263c0206 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OWEN H ORNDORFF OF 600 EAST BRAEMERE, BOISE, ID 83702, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF SGI INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SGII) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(SGI INTERNATIONAL TEL: 619 452-0841)

-30- 410
#90263c0208 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL J FERRI OF C/O MATRIX PARTNERS, ONE INTERNATIONAL PL, STE 3250, BOSTON, MA 02110, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,200 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 408 331-2200)

-30- 481
#90263c0209 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK J GALLAGHER OF 4 MAYFLOWER RD, WINCHESTER, MA 01890, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 444
#90263c0210 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DUBOLKO DIERDRE HALL OF 1900 S BUNNY DR, LOS ANGELES, CA 90025, HAS FILED TO SELL 175,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 213 468-8867)

-30- 437
#90263c0211 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL L THOMAS OF 5560 ACORN, P O BOX 2882, WRIGHTWOOD, CA 92397, HAS FILED TO SELL 46,875 SHARES OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(CVB FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 714 980-4030)

-30- 422

#90263c0212 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLINTON H HOWARD OF 3917 FOX GLEN, 0, IRVING, TX 75062, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,000 SHARES OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 214 518-1300)

-30- 440
#90263c0213 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOLLY L MITCHELL OF 2240 WEST 3800 SOUTH #A301, WEST VALLEY CITY, UT 84119, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,800 SHARES OF SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. (TICKER: SFD) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. TEL: 801 974-1400)

-30- 465
#90263c0214 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RODNEY C PERKINS OF 801 WELCH RD, PALO ALTO, CA 94304, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(LASERSCOPE TEL: 408 943-0636)

-30- 391
#90263c0216 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DE SUEZ COMPAGNIE OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,950 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 416
#90263c0217 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUEZ INTERNATIONAL OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,610 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 413
#90263c0218 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOXER OF 122 CLIPPER LANE, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 402
#90263c0219 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN G LEE OF 5013 WHITNEY CT, INDEPENDENCE, MO 64057, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,432 SHARES OF CERNER CORP. (TICKER: CERN) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(CERNER CORP. TEL: 816 221-1024)

-30- 396
#90263c0220 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD R CAMPBELL OF 323 TAMERLAINE, HOUSTON, TX 77024, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 391
#90263c0221 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAYMOND YU OF 48431 MILMONT DR, FREMONT, CA 94538, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 498-1111)

-30- 398
#90263c0222 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR D COLLINS OF ONE ABBOTT PARK RD, ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,160 SHARES OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES (TICKER: ABT) THROUGH NORTHERN TRUST BRKG. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(ABBOTT LABORATORIES TEL: 708 937-6100)

-30- 425
#90263c0224 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANCIS L MILLER OF 13021 13TH NW, 0, SEATTLE, WA 98177, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF ARCTIC ALASKA FISHERIES CORP. (TICKER: ICE) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(ARCTIC ALASKA FISHERIES CORP. TEL: 206 282-3445)

-30- 439
#90263c0225 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN R HUFF OF 1221 ARCHLEY, HOUSTON, TX 77055, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,621 SHARES OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER) THROUGH LOVETT UNDERWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 713 578-8868)

-30- 428
#90263c0226 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN HELBURN OF 14103 RIVER FOREST, HOUSTON, TX 77079, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 713 578-8868)

-30- 443

#90263c0227 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARC P SHORE OF 10 EAST 53RD STREET, 26TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,500 SHARES OF SHOREWOOD PACKAGING CORP. (TICKER: SHOR) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(SHOREWOOD PACKAGING CORP. TEL: 516 694-2900)

-30- 442
#90263c0228 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE D COMBS OF 11 VAN LEE DRIVE, LITTLE ROCK, AR 72205, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,266 SHARES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS CO. (TICKER: ESC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS CO. TEL: 501 223-4100)

-30- 433
#90263c0229 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAREE M GUTKNECHT OF 1661 DERBY ST, HENDERSON, NV 89015, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,500 SHARES OF UNITED GAMING INC. (TICKER: UGAM) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(UNITED GAMING INC. TEL: 702 367-3244)

-30- 414
#90263c0230 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MEDTRONIC INC OF 7000 CENTRAL AVE NE, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55432, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,603 SHARES OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 647-8277)

-30- 456
#90263c0232 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE M KANE OF 1246 WILLOW LANE, ROSEVILLE, MN 55113, HAS FILED TO

SELL 50,452 SHARES OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(ANGEION CORP. TEL: 612 559-3370)

-30- 392
#90263c0233 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK M BERDY OF FORT LEE EXECUTIVE PARK, TWO EXECUTIVE DR, FORT LEE, NJ 07024, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ON-LINE SOFTWARE INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: OSI) THROUGH ADLER COLEMAN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(ON-LINE SOFTWARE INTERNATIONAL TEL: 201 585-6607)

-30- 461
#90263c0234 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN E MCDONALD OF 33611 AVENIDA CALITA, SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA 92675, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PDA ENGINEERING (TICKER: PDAS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(PDA ENGINEERING TEL: 714 540-8900)

-30- 420
#90263c0235 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLENN M ALGER OF 1314 DE SOTO, BURLINGAME, CA 94010, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF EXPEDITORS INTERNATIONAL OF WASH (TICKER: EXPD) THROUGH CHICAGO CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(EXPEDITORS INTERNATIONAL OF WASH TEL: 206 246-3711)

-30- 440
#90263c0236 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - APAX OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,759 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 388
#90263c0237 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLINTON H HOWARD OF 3917 FOX GLEN, 0, IRVING, TX 75062, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,000 SHARES OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) THROUGH SOUTHWEST SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 214 518-1300)

-30- 442
#90263c0238 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUCE PEARSON OF 515 SOUTH FIGUEROA ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90071, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,467 SHARES OF CORROON & BLACK CORP. (TICKER: CBL) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(CORROON & BLACK CORP. TEL: 212 363-4100)

-30- 424
#90263c0240 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JONATHAN J WILLIAMS OF 132 READY ROAD, WALNUT CREEK, CA 94598, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,536 SHARES OF HOMESTAKE MINING CO. (TICKER: HM) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(HOMESTAKE MINING CO. TEL: 415 981-8150)

-30- 425
#90263c0241 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUSAN L DELL OF 9505 ARBORETUM BLVD, AUSTIN, TX 78759, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(DELL COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 512 338-8400)

-30- 411

#90263c0242 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLEN J MILLER OF C/O PLEXAR COMMUNICATIONS, 1090 KING GEORGES RD, STE 80 EDISON, NJ 08837, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 456
#90263c0243 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MANUEL PERRY JR OF 7345 BARR RD, SACRAMENTO, CA 95864, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FCOB) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCORP INC. TEL: 916 646-0554)

-30- 437
#90263c0244 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GILL SHARON D TRUST OF 78 MAIN ST, BRADFORD, PA 16701, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(FOREST OIL CORP. TEL: 814 368-7171)

-30- 408
#90263c0245 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHELDON MASCHLER OF 50 BROAD ST, SUITE 534, NEW YORK, NY 10004, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH DATEK SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 433
#90263c0246 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EARL L WRIGHT OF 1406 GREEN WILLOW LANE, LITTLETON, CO 80121, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF NICHOLS INSTITUTE (TICKER: LAB) THROUGH COLORADO NATL BRKG. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(NICHOLS INSTITUTE TEL: 714 661-8000)

-30- 416
#90263c0248 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS SPIEGEL OF 8820 WILSHIRE BLVD, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90211, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,720 SHARES OF TUBOSCOPE CORP. (TICKER: TUBO) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(TUBOSCOPE CORP. TEL: 713 799-5100)

-30- 405
#90263c0249 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HENRY VANKLAVREN OF 11709 SAN ANTONIO DR NE, ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87122, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,129 SHARES OF SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. (TICKER: SFD) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. TEL: 801 974-1400)

-30- 459
#90263c0250 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALDEN JUDITH G IRREV TRUST OF 1 WASHINGTON ST, WESTBORO, MA 01581, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,900 SHARES OF ALDEN ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ADNE) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(ALDEN ELECTRONICS INC. TEL: 508 366-8851)

-30- 443
#90263c0251 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JOCK WILBOURNE, OFFICER OF AIRBORNE FREIGHT CORP. (TICKER: ABF), SOLD 2,110 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,430.

-30- 325
#90263c0252 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES B SHUMATE, VP OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,440.

-30- 348
#90263c0253 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CHARLES H PRICE II, CHAIRMAN OF AMERIBANC INC. (TICKER: ABNK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90263c0254 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CHARLES H PRICE II, CHAIRMAN OF AMERIBANC INC. (TICKER: ABNK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90263c0256 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT V HANSBERGER, DIR. OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,875.

-30- 315
#90263c0257 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT V HANSBERGER, DIR. OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), BOUGHT 1,475 SHARES AT $33.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0258 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 25, 1990, JOSEPH M BARNHART III, OFFICER OF ACAP CORP. (TICKER: ACAP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0259 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOSEPH M BARNHART III, OFFICER OF ACAP CORP. (TICKER: ACAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 325
#90263c0260 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GERRY L KAVENY, VP OF COORS (ADOLPH) CO. (TICKER: ACCO), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90263c0261 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GERRY L KAVENY, VP OF COORS (ADOLPH) CO. (TICKER: ACCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90263c0262 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, GERRY L KAVENY, VP OF COORS (ADOLPH) CO. (TICKER: ACCO), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90263c0264 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, TIMOTHY J RIGAS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90263c0265 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, TIMOTHY J RIGAS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90263c0266 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, TIMOTHY J RIGAS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,802,766.

-30- 386
#90263c0267 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, WILLIAM C LEVIN, DIR. OF AMERICAN INDEMNITY FINL CORP. (TICKER: AIFC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 522,419.

-30- 337
#90263c0268 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOSEPH F SEINSHEIMER JR, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN INDEMNITY FINL CORP. (TICKER: AIFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c0269 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOSEPH F SEINSHEIMER JR, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN INDEMNITY FINL CORP. (TICKER: AIFC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,515.

-30- 360
#90263c0270 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LEE B STERN, DIR. OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90263c0272 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, STEVEN A MOEL, DIR. OF AKORN INC. (TICKER: AKRN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 704,500.

-30- 292
#90263c0273 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, SHAREHOLDER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), BOUGHT 26,232 SHARES AT $30.84 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,564,601.

-30- 359
#90263c0274 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, SHAREHOLDER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), SOLD 4,334 SHARES AT $32.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90263c0275 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, SHAREHOLDER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), SOLD 1,241 SHARES AT $31.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90263c0276 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, SHAREHOLDER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), SOLD 880 SHARES AT $32.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90263c0277 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, SHAREHOLDER OF ALLIED

SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), SOLD 6,802 SHARES AT $33.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90263c0278 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RICHARD D PROPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90263c0280 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RICHARD D PROPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90263c0281 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RICHARD D PROPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90263c0282 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RICHARD D PROPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90263c0283 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, RICHARD D PROPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,600.

-30- 367
#90263c0284 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, MICHAEL SHILLINGER, DIV. OFFICER OF APPLIED MAGNETICS CORP. (TICKER: APM), SOLD 1,050 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,628.

-30- 342
#90263c0285 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ARTHUR W MCCLAIN, DIR. OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90263c0286 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ARTHUR W MCCLAIN, DIR. OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,900.

-30- 295
#90263c0288 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LOWELL T SWENSON, DIR. OF MESABA AVIATION CORP. (TICKER: ATCC), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $5.17 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,924.

-30- 321
#90263c0289 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN R NORTON III, DIR. OF AZTAR CORP. (TICKER: AZTR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 294
#90263c0290 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN R NORTON III, DIR. OF AZTAR CORP. (TICKER: AZTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c0291 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN R NORTON III, DIR. OF AZTAR CORP. (TICKER: AZTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c0292 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOHN R NORTON III, DIR. OF AZTAR CORP. (TICKER: AZTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c0293 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN R NORTON III, DIR. OF AZTAR CORP. (TICKER: AZTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c0294 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN R NORTON III, DIR. OF AZTAR CORP. (TICKER: AZTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c0296 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RICHARD N CARDOZO, DIR. OF BEST BUY CO. (TICKER: BBY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 302
#90263c0297 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GEORGE S SIRUSAS, SHAREHOLDER OF BANCORP NEW JERSEY INC. (TICKER: BCNJ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,880.

-30- 337

#90263c0298 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MICHAEL H FOSTER, DIR. OF BANKEAST CORP. (TICKER: BENH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,012.

-30- 302
#90263c0299 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLIAM C BRAFFORD, VP OF BETZ LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BETZ), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $76.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c0300 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, THEODORE B PALMER III, DIR. OF BETZ LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BETZ), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 328
#90263c0301 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JEFFERSON W ASHER JR, DIR. OF BALDOR ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: BEZ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,890.

-30- 323
#90263c0302 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, SHEPARD BROWN, DIR. OF BOSTON FIVE BANCORP. (TICKER: BFCS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.84 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 316
#90263c0304 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, SHAREHOLDER OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 268,900.

-30- 343
#90263c0305 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c0306 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 268,900.

-30- 334
#90263c0307 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RICHARD A JACOBSON, DIR. OF BANKS OF IOWA INC. (TICKER: BIOW), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $68.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,431.

-30- 320
#90263c0308 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 01, 1990, IRVING FULLER, DIR. OF BKLA BANCORP. (TICKER: BKLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90263c0309 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 02, 1990, IRVING FULLER, DIR. OF BKLA BANCORP. (TICKER: BKLA), BOUGHT 2,980 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90263c0310 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 13, 1990, IRVING FULLER, DIR. OF BKLA BANCORP. (TICKER: BKLA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,141.

-30- 302
#90263c0312 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, M RAY HARROFF, DIR. OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 188,144.

-30- 313
#90263c0313 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN C HALL, VP OF B.M.J. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BMJF), BOUGHT 3,285 SHARES AT $6.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,013.

-30- 310
#90263c0314 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN C HALL, VP OF B.M.J. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BMJF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90263c0315 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN C HALL, VP OF B.M.J. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BMJF), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,925.

-30- 312
#90263c0316 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EDWIN W TOWNSEND, DIR. OF B.M.J. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BMJF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 82,342.

-30- 324
#90263c0317 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MORTON E GOULDER, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $88.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90263c0318 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MORTON E GOULDER, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $78.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,752.

-30- 336
#90263c0320 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, THOMAS J GUILFOIL, DIR. OF BOATMEN'S BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BOAT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,702.

-30- 332
#90263c0321 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, HEVKA H SRAMEK, PRES. OF BOMED MEDICAL MANUFACTURING LTD. (TICKER: BOMD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90263c0322 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HEVKA H SRAMEK, PRES. OF BOMED MEDICAL MANUFACTURING LTD. (TICKER: BOMD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,012,436.

-30- 345
#90263c0323 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FRED GARCIA, PRES. OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c0324 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, FRED GARCIA, PRES. OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90263c0325 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, FRED GARCIA, PRES. OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,843.

-30- 318
#90263c0326 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM B CHARLES, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90263c0328 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLIAM B CHARLES, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c0329 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WILLIAM B CHARLES, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 7,100 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c0330 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLIAM B CHARLES, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 9,700 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c0331 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM B CHARLES, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c0332 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MICHAEL R DABNEY, DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c0333 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MARTIN L BEARER, DIR. OF BT FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BTFC), BOUGHT 1,350 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,135.

-30- 314
#90263c0334 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90263c0336 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90263c0337 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90263c0338 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90263c0339 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90263c0340 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90263c0341 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90263c0342 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90263c0344 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 336,415.

-30- 301
#90263c0345 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM D WOLFSON, OFFICER OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 307
#90263c0346 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RICHARD A SHANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c0347 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD A SHANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c0348 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RICHARD A SHANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c0349 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RICHARD A SHANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272

#90263c0350 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RICHARD A SHANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 7,700 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c0352 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THOMAS J MARQUEZ, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 662,363.

-30- 368
#90263c0353 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROBERT W LEAR, DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,976.

-30- 296
#90263c0354 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN F WHITE, VP OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,480.

-30- 292
#90263c0355 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FRANCIS E FERGUSON, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0356 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, RICHARD L HUBER, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90263c0357 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, RICHARD L HUBER, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c0358 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, RICHARD L HUBER, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 315
#90263c0360 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JAMES W BOWER, DIR. OF COMMONWEALTH BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: CBKS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,211.

-30- 333
#90263c0361 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT P HENDERSON, DIR. OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $35.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 306
#90263c0362 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RALPH O DELANEY, DIR. OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), BOUGHT 1,349 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90263c0363 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, RALPH O DELANEY, DIR. OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), BOUGHT 4,373 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

158,989.

-30- 322
#90263c0364 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRANCES H FOX, DIR. OF CCB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CCBF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 147,643.

-30- 312
#90263c0365 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HENRY E BUTWELL, OFFICER OF CROWN CORK & SEAL CO. (TICKER: CCK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $55.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,000.

-30- 327
#90263c0366 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, COMCAST CORP, BEN. OWNER OF COMCAST CABLEVISION OF PHILADELPHIA INC. (TICKER: CCPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $60.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,441,925.

-30- 367
#90263c0368 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JAMES L MOORE, VP OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90263c0369 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JAMES L MOORE, VP OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,256.

-30- 310
#90263c0372 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JAMES L MOORE, VP OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,040 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,740.

-30- 310
#90263c0373 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, HERBERT L OAKES JR, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,634.

-30- 322
#90263c0374 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, RICHARD P TURNER, DIR. OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,700.

-30- 301
#90263c0375 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROLAND VANDERMEER, DIR. OF CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CFER), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 330
#90263c0376 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, STANLEY E MATTICE, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA FINANCIAL HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CFHC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,786.

-30- 345
#90263c0378 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT H BECKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,800.

-30- 336
#90263c0379 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN F CAWOOD, DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,233.

-30- 307
#90263c0380 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FRANK M CHERF, DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,157.

-30- 306
#90263c0381 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT L RICE, DIR. OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0382 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT L RICE, DIR. OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 314
#90263c0383 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THOMAS W KILLILEA, DIR. OF CHANCELLOR CORP. (TICKER: CHCR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 312
#90263c0384 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MARTIN A PICKUS, VP OF CHURCH & DWIGHT CO. (TICKER:

CHD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,323.

-30- 312
#90263c0386 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOSEPH BRESLIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 3,250 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,890.

-30- 343
#90263c0387 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HOWARD M LEITNER, PRES. OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 3,250 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,225.

-30- 326
#90263c0388 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE W RUDY, DIR. OF CHOCK FULL O'NUTS CORP. (TICKER: CHF), SOLD 3,378 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,611.

-30- 318
#90263c0389 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EARL KRAMER, PRES. OF CONCORD FABRICS INC. (TICKER: CIS), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90263c0390 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, EARL KRAMER, PRES. OF CONCORD FABRICS INC. (TICKER: CIS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 306

#90263c0391 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THOMAS N PACKARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRY LAKE FOODS INC. (TICKER: CLFI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90263c0392 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, THOMAS N PACKARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRY LAKE FOODS INC. (TICKER: CLFI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 349
#90263c0394 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PAUL M COOK, DIR. OF CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. (TICKER: CMFB), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 812,876.

-30- 331
#90263c0395 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c0396 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c0397 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c0398 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c0399 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 251,790.

-30- 324
#90263c0400 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NORA A MERRELL, OFFICER OF CONCORDE CAREER COLLEGES INC. (TICKER: CNCD), SOLD 3,900 SHARES AT $1.84 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 337
#90263c0402 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLARD H SCHERRER JR, VP OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 339
#90263c0403 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM D ETTER, PRES. OF CONSUL RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: CNSL), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,950.

-30- 324
#90263c0404 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, PETER A HOWLEY, PRES. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c0405 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PETER A HOWLEY, PRES. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c0406 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PETER A HOWLEY, PRES. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 205,719.

-30- 331
#90263c0407 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PETER A HOWLEY, PRES. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,033.

-30- 327
#90263c0408 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN A HUFFT, OFFICER OF COACHMEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: COA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,800.

-30- 314
#90263c0410 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FREDRICK O PAULSELL JR, DIR. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 270,474.

-30- 330
#90263c0411 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES P SCHWARTZ JR, CHAIRMAN OF CHAMPION PARTS INC. (TICKER: CREB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 136,916.

-30- 333
#90263c0412 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MELVIN KEPES, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CREST INDUSTRIES INC. (FL) (TICKER: CRII), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $3.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 550,000.

-30- 345
#90263c0413 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, BEN. OWNER OF CONTROL RESOURCES INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRIX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.83 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 346
#90263c0414 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JERRY M MCREE, PRES. OF CENTRAL & SOUTHERN HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CSBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 309,425.

-30- 339
#90263c0415 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, LLOYD M SCHMELZLE, OFFICER OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,100.

-30- 325
#90263c0416 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, BARRY B DONNELL, CHAIRMAN OF CAVALIER HOMES INC. (TICKER: CXV), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c0418 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BARRY B DONNELL, CHAIRMAN OF CAVALIER HOMES INC. (TICKER: CXV), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c0419 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, STUART T PEELER, DIR. OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $31.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 298
#90263c0420 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, PHILLIP DASH, DIR. OF DASH INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DASH), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90263c0421 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, PHILLIP DASH, DIR. OF DASH INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DASH), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,000.

-30- 304
#90263c0422 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID D COHEN, OFFICER OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), BOUGHT 3,336 SHARES AT $3.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 276

#90263c0423 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID D COHEN, OFFICER OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 3,336 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,466.

-30- 327
#90263c0424 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN L SLACK, CHAIRMAN OF DBA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DBAS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,550.

-30- 313
#90263c0426 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, RICHARD EAGAN, VP OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 2,600 SHARES AT $79.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 948.

-30- 325
#90263c0427 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, BV VENDAMERICA, BEN. OWNER OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 3,000,000 SHARES AT $81.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,964,491.

-30- 362
#90263c0428 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, VENDEX INTERNATIONAL BV, BEN. OWNER OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 3,000,000 SHARES AT $81.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,964,491.

-30- 374
#90263c0429 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JAMES C EBY, OFFICER OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP. (TICKER: DGSD), SOLD 8,378 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90263c0430 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES C EBY, OFFICER OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP. (TICKER: DGSD), SOLD 8,378 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,378.

-30- 309
#90263c0431 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RICHARD D STAPLETON, DIR. OF DIME FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DIBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 324
#90263c0432 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES M STACKPOOLE, OFFICER OF DELTONA CORP. (TICKER: DLT), SOLD 5,430 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90263c0434 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JAMES M STACKPOOLE, OFFICER OF DELTONA CORP. (TICKER: DLT), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 307
#90263c0435 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JOSEPH L MALONE, OFFICER OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,044.

-30- 333
#90263c0436 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1989, JAMES V MAURO, OFFICER OF CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DOSE), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $3.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c0437 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, JAMES V MAURO, OFFICER OF CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DOSE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c0438 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, JAMES V MAURO, OFFICER OF CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DOSE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,000.

-30- 328
#90263c0439 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90263c0440 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90263c0442 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266

#90263c0443 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90263c0444 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90263c0445 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,000.

-30- 303
#90263c0446 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90263c0447 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90263c0448 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266

#90263c0450 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90263c0451 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $7.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90263c0452 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90263c0453 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90263c0454 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,500.

-30- 305
#90263c0455 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 17, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $12.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 263

#90263c0456 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 27, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c0458 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c0459 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c0460 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PETRUS HUYSMANS, DIR. OF DTI MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: DTIM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,222.

-30- 313
#90263c0461 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90263c0462 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90263c0463 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90263c0464 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90263c0466 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 614,254.

-30- 359
#90263c0467 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, BRADFORD J MUMM, VP OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,000.

-30- 332
#90263c0468 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CALVIN J CLEMENTS, DIR. OF DAWSON GEOPHYSICAL CO. (TICKER: DWSN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c0469 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, CALVIN J CLEMENTS, DIR. OF DAWSON GEOPHYSICAL CO. (TICKER: DWSN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c0470 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CALVIN J CLEMENTS, DIR. OF DAWSON GEOPHYSICAL CO. (TICKER: DWSN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,600.

-30- 328
#90263c0471 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 25, 1990, COURTLANDT G MILLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DIAGNOSTEK INC. (TICKER: DXTK), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 363,495.

-30- 335
#90263c0472 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, STEVEN E LASEWICZ, DIR. OF EAGLE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: EAG), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,800.

-30- 320
#90263c0474 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WILLIAM R GREGORY, PRES. OF ESELCO INC. (TICKER: EDSE), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90263c0475 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DALE L WOODRUFF, DIR. OF THE ENCORE GROUP INC. (TICKER: EGRP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0476 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DALE L WOODRUFF, DIR. OF THE ENCORE GROUP INC. (TICKER: EGRP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,478.

-30- 318
#90263c0477 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRAVIS G HICKMAN, VP OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,139.

-30- 333
#90263c0478 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, EDWARD M FASULO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ELSINORE CORP. (TICKER: ELS), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 330
#90263c0479 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, HILLIARD W PAIGE, DIR. OF ERC ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY SERVICES CO. (TICKER: ERCE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90263c0480 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, M RICHARD ASHER, DIR. OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90263c0482 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CARROLL M MARTENSON, CHAIRMAN OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,700.

-30- 323
#90263c0483 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, GEOFFREY R MARTIN, SHAREHOLDER OF EARTH TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: ETCO), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 98,400.

-30- 335
#90263c0484 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PATRICIA E MONTGOMERY, OFFICER OF EARTH TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: ETCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 336
#90263c0485 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, DUDLEY E DAWSON JR, DIR. OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,488.

-30- 340
#90263c0486 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT E MCNEILLY JR, DIV. OFFICER OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90263c0487 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, LORA S FLANAGAN, DIR. OF FAY'S INC. (TICKER: FAY), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90263c0488 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, LORA S FLANAGAN, DIR. OF FAY'S INC. (TICKER: FAY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,300.

-30- 296
#90263c0490 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, W RICHARD BLACKWOOD, DIR. OF F.N.B. CORP. (TICKER: FBAN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90263c0491 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, W RICHARD BLACKWOOD, DIR. OF F.N.B. CORP. (TICKER: FBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,790.

-30- 311
#90263c0492 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOSEPH M WALTON, DIR. OF F.N.B. CORP. (TICKER: FBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,114.

-30- 300
#90263c0493 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOSEPH M WALTON, DIR. OF F.N.B. CORP. (TICKER: FBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,609.

-30- 301
#90263c0494 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN L KELSEY, DIR. OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. (TICKER: FBO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c0495 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN L KELSEY, DIR. OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. (TICKER: FBO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c0496 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN L KELSEY, DIR. OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. (TICKER: FBO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 319
#90263c0498 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PHILIP G HEASLEY, DIV. OFFICER OF FIRST BANK SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FBS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,768.

-30- 338
#90263c0499 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GERALD C RYAN JR, DIR. OF FIRST BANK SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FBS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,704.

-30- 323
#90263c0500 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM G SELL, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 1,367 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 318
#90263c0501 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DEAN C RAMSEY, DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c0502 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DEAN C RAMSEY, DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,830.

-30- 336
#90263c0503 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, SOMERSET GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST INDIANA CORP. (TICKER: FISB), BOUGHT 47,500 SHARES AT $9.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 688,060.

-30- 336
#90263c0504 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, MICHAEL W WELLESLEY, DIR. OF FINANCIAL NEWS NETWORK INC. (TICKER: FNNI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c0506 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 14, 1990, D LINN WILEY, DIR. OF FREYMILLER TRUCKING INC. (TICKER: FRML), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 323
#90263c0507 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 02, 1990, STERLING V VARNER, OFFICER OF FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FRTH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c0508 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, STERLING V VARNER, OFFICER OF FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FRTH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,237.

-30- 330
#90263c0509 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD SAKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FOODARAMA SUPERMARKETS INC. (TICKER: FSM), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90263c0510 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD SAKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FOODARAMA SUPERMARKETS INC. (TICKER: FSM), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90263c0511 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RICHARD SAKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FOODARAMA SUPERMARKETS INC. (TICKER: FSM), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90263c0512 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, RICHARD SAKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FOODARAMA SUPERMARKETS INC. (TICKER: FSM), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,469.

-30- 350
#90263c0514 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90263c0515 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0516 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,555 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0517 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 445 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0518 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,555 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0519 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 445 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0520 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0522 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $29.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0523 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $29.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0524 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,175 SHARES AT $27.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0525 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 625 SHARES AT $27.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0526 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0527 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $27.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0528 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $26.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0530 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0531 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0532 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0533 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,663 SHARES AT $26.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0534 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0535 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $26.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0536 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $26.24 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0538 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0539 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 4,637 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0540 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $25.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0541 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $27.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,165,385.

-30- 332

#90263c0542 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MILTON PORTER, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE OF FOSTER (L.B.) CO. (TICKER: FSTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,264.

-30- 339
#90263c0543 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, BRIGITTE DEGASTINES, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIND/SVP INC. (TICKER: FSVP), BOUGHT 612,500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,107,263.

-30- 349
#90263c0544 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ORRICK F JOHNSON, DIR. OF FIRST VIRGINIA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FVB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,756.

-30- 329
#90263c0546 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RONALD E FERGUSON, DIR. OF FINEVEST FOODS INC. (TICKER: FVF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,300.

-30- 318
#90263c0547 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 22, 1990, MICHAEL J ASBELL, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FXBC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c0548 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MICHAEL J ASBELL, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC.

(TICKER: FXBC), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c0549 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL J ASBELL, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC.
(TICKER: FXBC), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c0550 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MICHAEL J ASBELL, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC.
(TICKER: FXBC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c0551 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1989, MICHAEL J ASBELL, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC.
(TICKER: FXBC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS
TO 2,000.

-30- 323
#90263c0552 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1989, MICHAEL J ASBELL, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC.
(TICKER: FXBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 326
#90263c0554 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ROBERT S SMITH, VP OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC.
(TICKER: GDC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0555 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT S SMITH, VP OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GDC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c0556 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ROBERT S SMITH, VP OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GDC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,574.

-30- 323
#90263c0557 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, CORNELIUS C BOND, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,138.

-30- 313
#90263c0558 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CORNELIUS C BOND, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90263c0559 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CORNELIUS C BOND, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90263c0560 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CORNELIUS C BOND, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,118.

-30- 313
#90263c0562 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90263c0563 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90263c0564 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,118.

-30- 319
#90263c0565 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90263c0566 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,131,700.

-30- 359
#90263c0567 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DAVID M GAVRIN, DIR. OF GERAGHTY & MILLER INC. (TICKER: GMGW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0568 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DAVID M GAVRIN, DIR. OF GERAGHTY & MILLER INC. (TICKER: GMGW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90263c0570 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90263c0571 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90263c0572 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90263c0573 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90263c0574 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90263c0575 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,800.

-30- 356
#90263c0576 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90263c0578 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90263c0579 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90263c0580 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90263c0581 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF GEMINI II INC.

CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,800.

-30- 353
#90263c0582 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RICHARD L DAWLEY, VP OF GROSSMAN'S INC. (TICKER: GROS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 304
#90263c0583 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, CHARLES GELMAN, SHAREHOLDER OF GELMAN SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GSC), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c0584 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CHARLES GELMAN, SHAREHOLDER OF GELMAN SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GSC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,841.

-30- 328
#90263c0586 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GERALD E MAYO, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c0587 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JEFFREY L BLEUSTEIN, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 164,528.

-30- 320
#90263c0588 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES M BROSTOWITZ, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,386.

-30- 320
#90263c0589 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, THOMAS A GELB, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,472.

-30- 306
#90263c0590 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, TIMOTHY K HOELTER, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 177,500.

-30- 317
#90263c0591 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, JAMES H PATERSON, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,750.

-30- 316
#90263c0592 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, RICHARD F TEERLINK, PRES. OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,350.

-30- 325
#90263c0594 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1987, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90263c0595 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1987, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 718,500.

-30- 303
#90263c0596 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90263c0597 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 715,000.

-30- 302
#90263c0598 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 711,500.

-30- 302
#90263c0599 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c0600 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c0602 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c0603 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 18, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c0604 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 19, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90263c0605 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 19, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90263c0606 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90263c0607 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90263c0608 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90263c0610 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c0611 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1987, JOHN R WARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 717,000.

-30- 322
#90263c0612 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STUART KAUFMAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHINFUSION INC. (TICKER: HINF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 363
#90263c0613 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MELVIN E LEVINSON, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHINFUSION INC. (TICKER: HINF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 525,925.

-30- 350
#90263c0614 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, VERNON D HERBST, CHAIRMAN OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c0615 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, VERNON D HERBST, CHAIRMAN OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c0616 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, VERNON D HERBST, CHAIRMAN OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 161,604.

-30- 337
#90263c0618 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JODA D ATTAWAY, OFFICER OF IMO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IMD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 310
#90263c0619 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), SOLD 6,700 SHARES AT $5.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90263c0620 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 255,500.

-30- 344
#90263c0621 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM J SPENCE, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANK CORP. (MA) (TICKER: INDB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 210,485.

-30- 336
#90263c0622 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM H HANCOCK JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KRISCH AMERICAN INNS INC. (TICKER: INNS), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90263c0623 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM H HANCOCK JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KRISCH AMERICAN INNS INC. (TICKER: INNS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90263c0624 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, WILLIAM H HANCOCK JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KRISCH AMERICAN INNS INC. (TICKER: INNS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 268,602.

-30- 358
#90263c0626 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, THOMAS A MCAULEY, DIR. OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90263c0627 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, THOMAS A MCAULEY, DIR. OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

4,250.

-30- 312
#90263c0628 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, G RAY MILLER, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL TELECHARGE INC. (TICKER: ITI), SOLD 6,900 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,500.

-30- 323
#90263c0629 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, HAROLD B SMITH JR, CHAIRMAN OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $51.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,679,745.

-30- 341
#90263c0630 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MARK K ROSENFELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90263c0631 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MARK K ROSENFELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 823,842.

-30- 375
#90263c0632 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1990, GEORGE H CHITTENDEN, DIR. OF JAKARTA GROWTH FUND INC. (TICKER: JGF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 333

#90263c0634 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90263c0635 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90263c0636 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 790,980.

-30- 362
#90263c0637 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 56,411 SHARES AT $23.24 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0638 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 22,900 SHARES AT $22.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0639 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 28,866 SHARES AT $23.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0640 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 11,400 SHARES AT $23.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0642 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 9,255 SHARES AT $23.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c0643 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RONALD M REBNER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KEITHLEY INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: KEI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,454.

-30- 350
#90263c0644 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN H FITZPATRICK, VP OF KEMPER CORP. (TICKER: KEM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90263c0645 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JEFFREY WHITTINGTON, OFFICER OF QUEST FOR VALUE DUAL PURPOSE FUND INC. (TICKER: KFV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,100.

-30- 367
#90263c0646 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ALOYSIUS T MCLAUGHLIN JR, DIR. OF KENNAMETAL INC. (TICKER: KMT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c0647 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ALOYSIUS T MCLAUGHLIN JR, DIR. OF KENNAMETAL INC. (TICKER: KMT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c0648 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, GEORGE S COULTER, SHAREHOLDER OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,000.

-30- 335
#90263c0650 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ROBERT W ABBOTT, OFFICER OF LANCER CORP. (TICKER: LAN), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90263c0651 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c0652 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c0653 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER:

LANC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c0654 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c0655 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,533,171.

-30- 326
#90263c0656 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c0658 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HAL HALPERN, OFFICER OF LASER PRECISION CORP. (TICKER: LASR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 319
#90263c0659 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WILLIAM C NORDSTROM, OFFICER OF LASER PRECISION CORP. (TICKER: LASR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 331
#90263c0660 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JOHN K BRIGDEN, DIR. OF LOGICON INC. (TICKER: LGN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90263c0661 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN K BRIGDEN, DIR. OF LOGICON INC. (TICKER: LGN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90263c0662 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN K BRIGDEN, DIR. OF LOGICON INC. (TICKER: LGN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90263c0663 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept.17:

Chemi-Trol Chemical Co. (CTRL)

-30- 255
#90263c0664 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JEROME A CHAZEN, CHAIRMAN OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,520,263.

-30- 324
#90263c0666 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT C JOHNSON, VP OF LOCKHEED CORP. (TICKER: LK), SOLD 3,100 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 296

#90263c0667 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT C DOBKIN, VP OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0668 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 19) COMTEX - The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 18:

Charter Federal Savings Bank (CFED) to Charter One Bancorp Inc. (CFED)

-30- 299
#90263c0669 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT C DOBKIN, VP OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0670 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT C DOBKIN, VP OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 372,807.

-30- 319
#90263c0671 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90263c0672 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90263c0674 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 3,400 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90263c0675 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90263c0676 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, GEORGE W HAAS JR, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 304
#90263c0677 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN R SLOAN, PRES. OF ARIS CORP. (TICKER: LMNT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90263c0678 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOHN R SLOAN, PRES. OF ARIS CORP. (TICKER: LMNT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90263c0679 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN R SLOAN, PRES. OF ARIS CORP. (TICKER: LMNT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 243,000.

-30- 293
#90263c0680 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT T RAKICH, PRES. OF LAURENTIAN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: LQ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,000.

-30- 325
#90263c0682 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DARIUSH RAFINEJAD, OFFICER OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,945.

-30- 321
#90263c0683 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HARRY A MERLO, DIR. OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c0684 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HARRY A MERLO, DIR. OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 98,627.

-30- 327
#90263c0685 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT MCNALLY, VP OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90263c0686 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROBERT MCNALLY, VP OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT

1,100 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,400.

-30- 288
#90263c0687 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT W SCHER, VP OF THE LUBRIZOL CORP. (TICKER: LZ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $41.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c0688 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT W SCHER, VP OF THE LUBRIZOL CORP. (TICKER: LZ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $41.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c0690 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, THOMAS W SMITH, DIR. OF MACDERMID INC. (TICKER: MACD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,098.

-30- 302
#90263c0691 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, THOMAS W SMITH, DIR. OF MACDERMID INC. (TICKER: MACD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 214,600.

-30- 305
#90263c0692 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DANIEL L LAMARCHE, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c0693 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DANIEL L LAMARCHE, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER:

MAIL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c0694 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DANIEL L LAMARCHE, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c0695 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DANIEL L LAMARCHE, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c0696 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DANIEL L LAMARCHE, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,100.

-30- 318
#90263c0698 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c0699 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1989, A D BOWEN, DIR. OF METRO AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: MAIR), SOLD 8,600 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 304
#90263c0700 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DARRELL D MARTIN, OFFICER OF MARKEL CORP. (TICKER: MAKL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,800.

-30- 308
#90263c0701 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HORACE W BERNTON, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c0702 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HORACE W BERNTON, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c0703 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HORACE W BERNTON, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 183,324.

-30- 332
#90263c0704 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, THEODORE C KNAPPEN, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,146.

-30- 333
#90263c0706 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, RICHARD K SLATER, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,109.

-30- 331
#90263c0707 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, FREDA S JOHNSON, DIR. OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 293
#90263c0708 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, LEON J KARVELIS JR, VP OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $39.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90263c0709 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LEON J KARVELIS JR, VP OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 291
#90263c0710 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, WILLIAM T HUGHES, PRES. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90263c0711 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM T HUGHES, PRES. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c0712 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM T HUGHES, PRES. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c0714 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM T HUGHES, PRES. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 336
#90263c0715 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, STEPHEN G CRAWFORD, DIR. OF MOBILE NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MBNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,150.

-30- 321
#90263c0716 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, F MICHAEL JOHNSON, VP OF MOBILE NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MBNC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,326.

-30- 310
#90263c0717 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, TOM A ALBERG, VP OF MCCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: MCAW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,453.

-30- 339
#90263c0718 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL L CONLEY, VP OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 3,800 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,200.

-30- 303
#90263c0719 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROGER H LEXELL, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER:

MCD), SOLD 1,562 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,666.

-30- 313
#90263c0720 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, CLIFFORD H RABER, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,311.

-30- 314
#90263c0722 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID ROME, DIR. OF MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. (TICKER: MCFE), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 222,000.

-30- 312
#90263c0723 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN H BIGGS, DIR. OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 317
#90263c0724 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WILLIAM B SUMMERS JR, PRES. OF MCDONALD & CO. INVESTMENTS INC. (TICKER: MDD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 133,706.

-30- 344
#90263c0725 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VINCENT SHUNSKY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MEDAR INC. (TICKER: MDXR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90263c0726 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, VINCENT SHUNSKY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MEDAR INC. (TICKER: MDXR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 320
#90263c0727 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, VAN HORSLEY, PRES. OF MEDICAL DYNAMICS INC. (TICKER: MEDY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,080.

-30- 316
#90263c0728 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, VAN HORSLEY, PRES. OF MEDICAL DYNAMICS INC. (TICKER: MEDY), BOUGHT 12,300 SHARES AT $1.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 321
#90263c0730 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JOHN R HOLLAND, DIR. OF PINNACLE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MFSB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 315
#90263c0731 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HAMMOND G REED, VP OF MULTIBANK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: MLTF), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c0732 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HAMMOND G REED, VP OF MULTIBANK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER:

MLTF), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,208.

-30- 321
#90263c0733 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MICHAEL I SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF MICROCOM INC. (TICKER: MNPI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90263c0734 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, MICHAEL I SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF MICROCOM INC. (TICKER: MNPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,252.

-30- 311
#90263c0735 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEWART W BAINUM, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MANOR CARE INC. (TICKER: MNR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c0736 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEWART W BAINUM, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MANOR CARE INC. (TICKER: MNR), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,148,447.

-30- 343
#90263c0738 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STEWART W BAINUM JR, CHAIRMAN OF MANOR CARE INC. (TICKER: MNR), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,303,176.

-30- 338

#90263c0739 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, RICHARD N CAREY, OFFICER OF MANOR CARE INC. (TICKER: MNR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 312
#90263c0740 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JOSEPH F GLOUDEMAN, PRES. OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c0741 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JOSEPH F GLOUDEMAN, PRES. OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c0742 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, JOSEPH F GLOUDEMAN, PRES. OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c0743 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOSEPH F GLOUDEMAN, PRES. OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 435,200.

-30- 333
#90263c0744 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOSEPH F GLOUDEMAN, PRES. OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c0746 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOSEPH F GLOUDEMAN, PRES. OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 437,300.

-30- 337
#90263c0747 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FRED L SHAPIRO, DIR. OF MINNTECH CORP. (TICKER: MNTX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,155.

-30- 304
#90263c0748 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FRED L SHAPIRO, DIR. OF MINNTECH CORP. (TICKER: MNTX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,425.

-30- 306
#90263c0749 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOHN H KREHBIEL JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90263c0750 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOHN H KREHBIEL JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), SOLD 55,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,887,660.

-30- 356
#90263c0751 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN C PSALTIS, OFFICER OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX),

BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90263c0752 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN C PSALTIS, OFFICER OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,556.

-30- 303
#90263c0754 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MORTON L TOPFER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $76.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90263c0755 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, MORTON L TOPFER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $75.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90263c0756 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MORTON L TOPFER, VP OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $74.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90263c0757 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PATRICK F PATRICK, PRES. OF METROPOLITAN FEDERAL S&L ASSN (WA) (TICKER: MSEA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,500.

-30- 355
#90263c0758 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WAYNE W BENNETT, DIR. OF MISSION VALLEY BANCORP.(CA) (TICKER: MVBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,570.

-30- 338
#90263c0759 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CLARENCE B TODD, VP OF MYLAN LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: MYL), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0760 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CLARENCE B TODD, VP OF MYLAN LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: MYL), BOUGHT 8,300 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 320
#90263c0762 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERTS (SAM) NOBLE FOUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF NOBLE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: NBL), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,363,140.

-30- 367
#90263c0763 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 308,992.

-30- 309
#90263c0764 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, LARRY ALTMAN, DIR. OF NATIONWIDE CELLULAR SVC INC. (TICKER: NCEL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 345,000.

-30- 330
#90263c0765 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT C JAMES, VP OF NCR CORP. (TICKER: NCR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $69.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,392.

-30- 286
#90263c0766 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, TOMMY C CRAIGHEAD, DIR. OF NOBLE DRILLING CORP (TICKER: NDCO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,323.

-30- 321
#90263c0767 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILSON NOLEN, DIR. OF SCUDDER NEW EUROPE FD INC. (TICKER: NEF), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 323
#90263c0768 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CMNY CAPITAL LP, BEN. OWNER OF NEW LINE CINEMA CORP. (TICKER: NLN), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 860,941.

-30- 330
#90263c0770 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN B ARNOLD, DIR. OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90263c0771 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN B ARNOLD, DIR. OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 343
#90263c0772 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ROYCE N SANNER, OFFICER OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 323
#90263c0773 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROYCE N SANNER, OFFICER OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 313
#90263c0774 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROBERT C SNYDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUANEX CORP. (TICKER: NX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c0775 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROBERT C SNYDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUANEX CORP. (TICKER: NX), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90263c0776 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT C SNYDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUANEX CORP. (TICKER: NX), BOUGHT 8,200 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,960.

-30- 323

#90263c0778 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOHN P KELLER, DIR. OF OLD KENT FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: OKEN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 324
#90263c0779 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROLAND SEIDLER JR, DIR. OF OPTICAL RADIATION CORP. (TICKER: ORCO), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,500.

-30- 325
#90263c0780 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, THOMAS B BOKLUND, PRES. OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 5,013 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,339.

-30- 327
#90263c0781 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MILO LONG, OFFICER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 2,681 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,739.

-30- 320
#90263c0782 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ROBERT J SIKORA, VP OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 5,014 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,633.

-30- 320
#90263c0783 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FRANK D OSBORN, PRES. OF OSBORN COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: OSBN), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 739,545.

-30- 332
#90263c0784 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PHILLIP HORSLEY, DIR. OF PAYCHEX INC. (TICKER: PAYX), BOUGHT 4,800 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,175.

-30- 300
#90263c0786 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, NORMAN TULCHIN, BEN. OWNER OF PCA INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PCAI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 131,431.

-30- 325
#90263c0787 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MARK C PIGOTT, VP OF PACCAR INC. (TICKER: PCAR), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 158,600.

-30- 294
#90263c0788 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MARK C PIGOTT, VP OF PACCAR INC. (TICKER: PCAR), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,708,926.

-30- 294
#90263c0789 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, SANDRA C OWEN, OFFICER OF PROPERTY CAPITAL TRUST (TICKER: PCT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c0790 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, PALMER W BIGELOW JR, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 344
#90263c0791 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, PALMER W BIGELOW JR, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 337
#90263c0792 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DAVID T BENNETT, DIR. OF PACIFIC-EUROPEAN GROWTH FD INC. (TICKER: PEF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 337
#90263c0794 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, REX CROSLAND, CHAIRMAN OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c0795 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, REX CROSLAND, CHAIRMAN OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c0796 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, REX CROSLAND, CHAIRMAN OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 696,503.

-30- 334
#90263c0797 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, T B C LIMITED, OFFICER OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c0798 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, T B C LIMITED, OFFICER OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,114.

-30- 341
#90263c0799 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT P DR MERIWETHER, DIR. OF PEOPLES FIRST CORP. (TICKER: PFKY), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,629.

-30- 331
#90263c0800 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES F ORR III, DIR. OF PEOPLES HERITAGE FINL GROUP INC. (TICKER: PHBK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,542.

-30- 338
#90263c0802 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 20, 1988, JACK S WHISNANT, OFFICER OF PIEDMONT MINING CO.,INC. (TICKER: PIED), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c0803 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT DIAMOND, DIR. OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 11,200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,744.

-30- 332
#90263c0804 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT DIAMOND, DIR. OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 20,300 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,414.

-30- 333
#90263c0805 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, LANCE B ROSEMORE, PRES. OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 137,709.

-30- 322
#90263c0806 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LANCE B ROSEMORE, PRES. OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 380 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,170.

-30- 318
#90263c0807 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MARK J GALLAGHER, VP OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,628.

-30- 330
#90263c0808 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RICHARD D SEGAL, DIR. OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO

10,300.

-30- 316
#90263c0810 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, LAURENCE F MULHERN, OFFICER OF PERINI INVESTMENT PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: PNV), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90263c0811 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, LAURENCE F MULHERN, OFFICER OF PERINI INVESTMENT PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: PNV), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 351
#90263c0812 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: PNY), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $26.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,351,900.

-30- 361
#90263c0813 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c0814 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c0815 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90263c0816 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 286,281.

-30- 320
#90263c0818 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM J BALLARD, OFFICER OF PRICOR INC. (TICKER: PRCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 308
#90263c0819 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:57 that trade in Interpublic Group has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol IPG.

-30- 313
#90263c0820 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CITIZENS & SOUTHERN TRUST CO, TTEE OF POLAROID CORP. (TICKER: PRD), SOLD 7,007 SHARES AT $35.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90263c0821 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CITIZENS & SOUTHERN TRUST CO, TTEE OF POLAROID CORP. (TICKER: PRD), BOUGHT 609 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,989,386.

-30- 336

#90263c0822 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, POLAROID SEP & TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF POLAROID CORP. (TICKER: PRD), SOLD 7,007 SHARES AT $35.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c0823 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, POLAROID SEP & TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF POLAROID CORP. (TICKER: PRD), BOUGHT 609 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,989,386.

-30- 330
#90263c0824 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FRANK J ROBERTS, DIR. OF PUGET SOUND BANCORP. (TICKER: PSNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,866.

-30- 324
#90263c0826 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DENNIS DRIBIN, OFFICER OF PLASMA-THERM INC. (TICKER: PTIS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 314
#90263c0827 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, MEL G GRINSPAN, DIR. OF SEVEN OAKS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: QPON), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,625.

-30- 328
#90263c0828 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, WILLIAM L ROSE, DIR. OF QUIPP INC. (TICKER: QUIP),

BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 293
#90263c0829 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DONALD DANFORTH JR, DIR. OF RALSTON PURINA CO. (TICKER: RAL), SOLD 3,100 SHARES AT $90.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 177,165.

-30- 318
#90263c0830 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MARSHALL B PAYNE, DIR. OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,591.

-30- 301
#90263c0831 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, EDWARD W ROSE III, DIR. OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 343,337.

-30- 301
#90263c0832 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, MARI ANN BLATCH, VP OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,619.

-30- 320
#90263c0834 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, THOMAS F OCONNOR, PRES. OF REGIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: REGB), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c0835 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, THOMAS F OCONNOR, PRES. OF REGIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: REGB), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c0836 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THOMAS F OCONNOR, PRES. OF REGIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: REGB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,754.

-30- 324
#90263c0837 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, EDWARD E STRICKLAND, DIR. OF REUTER INC. (TICKER: REUT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,500.

-30- 305
#90263c0838 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT C ELLIOTT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF REXWORKS INC. (TICKER: REXW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 329
#90263c0839 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, EDWARD R SISOLAK, VP OF REXWORKS INC. (TICKER: REXW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 299
#90263c0840 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JAMES W ROBINSON, DIR. OF ROBINSON NUGENT INC. (TICKER: RNIC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,075.

-30- 323
#90263c0842 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ALEXANDER E KUHNE, VP OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 332
#90263c0843 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDWARD I WASHELESKI, OFFICER OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 351
#90263c0844 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EDGAR J MARSTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SOUTHDOWN INC. (TICKER: SDW), SOLD 6,462 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c0845 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, EDGAR J MARSTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SOUTHDOWN INC. (TICKER: SDW), SOLD 5,400 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 329
#90263c0846 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DAVID A MAHNKE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SEA GALLEY STORES INC. (TICKER: SEAG), SOLD 15,733 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,047.

-30- 345
#90263c0847 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID E GOFORTH, VP OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SEC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,800.

-30- 323
#90263c0848 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, HUGH A DANDRADE, SHAREHOLDER OF SCHERING-PLOUGH CORP. (TICKER: SGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90263c0850 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, HUGH A DANDRADE, SHAREHOLDER OF SCHERING-PLOUGH CORP. (TICKER: SGP), SOLD 2,900 SHARES AT $45.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,248.

-30- 334
#90263c0851 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT G WALLACE, DIR. OF SCHULMAN (A.) INC. (TICKER: SHLM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 316
#90263c0852 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ROBERT W HUMES, VP OF SCIENCE DYNAMICS CORP. (TICKER: SIDY), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 189,633.

-30- 317
#90263c0853 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, THORNTON R LAND, VP OF SELECTIVE INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: SIGI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,279.

-30- 332
#90263c0854 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JEAN D PERCEVAULT, VP OF SCHLUMBERGER LTD. N.V. (TICKER: SLB), SOLD 2,779 SHARES AT $68.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c0855 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, SHELDON M BONOVITZ, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90263c0856 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, SHELDON M BONOVITZ, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 2,750 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,685.

-30- 347
#90263c0858 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, GARY E CARLTON, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 1,221 SHARES AT $13.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c0859 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, GARY E CARLTON, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), SOLD 416 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c0860 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, GARY E CARLTON, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 128 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING

INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,910.

-30- 340
#90263c0861 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, HECTOR MACLEAN, CHAIRMAN OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 1,833 SHARES AT $13.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c0862 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, HECTOR MACLEAN, CHAIRMAN OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 663 SHARES AT $13.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,956.

-30- 333
#90263c0863 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, BRUCE E DEWING, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SANDS REGENT (TICKER: SNDS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0864 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, JOHN S LEWIS, DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $27.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c0866 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN S LEWIS, DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,162.

-30- 331
#90263c0867 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT H MCKINNEY, CHAIRMAN OF THE SOMERSET GROUP INC. (TICKER: SOMR), BOUGHT 122,063 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 573,545.

-30- 337
#90263c0868 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOSEPH C SCULLY, CHAIRMAN OF ST. PAUL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SPBC), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,158.

-30- 325
#90263c0869 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JOSEPH C SCULLY, CHAIRMAN OF ST. PAUL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SPBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,313.

-30- 327
#90263c0870 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DONN B MILLER, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,094.

-30- 318
#90263c0871 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, R JOSEPH MCLAUGHLIN, VP OF SPIEGEL INC. (TICKER: SPGL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 304
#90263c0872 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN J SHEA, PRES. OF SPIEGEL INC. (TICKER: SPGL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 297
#90263c0874 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, DONALD DEVOE, DIR. OF SPEARHEAD INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SPRH), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 545,782.

-30- 310
#90263c0875 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CHARLES S GIBSON, PRES. OF SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SQNT), SOLD 2,588 SHARES AT $23.71 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 377,138.

-30- 338
#90263c0876 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c0877 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c0878 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c0879 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP.

(TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c0880 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP.
(TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c0882 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 11, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP.
(TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c0883 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP.
(TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c0884 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP.
(TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c0885 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP.
(TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 6,400 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c0886 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP.

(TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c0887 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP.
(TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c0888 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP.
(TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c0890 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EZRA J DENERSTEIN, PRES. OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c0891 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EZRA J DENERSTEIN, PRES. OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS
TO 153,724.

-30- 333
#90263c0892 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 11,400 SHARES AT $6.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 399,998.

-30- 340
#90263c0893 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, A FRANK KNOWLES, DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 319
#90263c0894 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, LESLIE T LEDERER, VP OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,822.

-30- 316
#90263c0895 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALAN STONE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 691,624.

-30- 336
#90263c0896 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LAWRENCE W ONEILL, DIR. OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 324
#90263c0898 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), SOLD 16,516 SHARES AT $39.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90263c0899 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), SOLD 48,288 SHARES AT $39.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90263c0900 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90263c0901 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90263c0902 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $34.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,916,727.

-30- 364
#90263c0903 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SAMUEL F PRYOR IV, DIR. OF SYLVAN FOODS HLDGS INC. (TICKER: SYLN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,581.

-30- 325
#90263c0904 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TANDYCRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF TANDYCRAFTS INC. (TICKER: TAC), BOUGHT 7,190 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 962,178.

-30- 333
#90263c0906 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HUBERT T MANDEVILLE, DIR. OF TALLEY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0907 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HUBERT T MANDEVILLE, DIR. OF TALLEY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0908 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HUBERT T MANDEVILLE, DIR. OF TALLEY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TAL), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,125.

-30- 320
#90263c0909 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LEWIS F KORNFELD JR, DIR. OF TANDY CORP. (TICKER: TAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 303
#90263c0910 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LAWRENCE W SCHUMANN, PRES. OF TELECOM CORP. (TICKER: TEL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 310
#90263c0911 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LAWRENCE W SCHUMANN, PRES. OF TELECOM CORP. (TICKER: TEL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90263c0912 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LAWRENCE W SCHUMANN, PRES. OF TELECOM CORP. (TICKER: TEL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 311
#90263c0914 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90263c0915 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0916 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0917 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0918 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $11.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 276

#90263c0919 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90263c0920 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c0922 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,563.

-30- 318
#90263c0923 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, PAUL F KELLEHER, OFFICER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90263c0924 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, PAUL F KELLEHER, OFFICER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90263c0925 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, PAUL F KELLEHER, OFFICER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,200.

-30- 345
#90263c0926 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, PAUL F KELLEHER, OFFICER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 343
#90263c0927 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, PATRICIA H ELLISON, CHAIRMAN OF TIS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: TIS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,500.

-30- 344
#90263c0928 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DAVID H FINE, VP OF THERMEDICS INC. (TICKER: TMD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90263c0930 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, KYRIAZI T MELAS, OFFICER OF THERMO ELECTRON CORP. (TICKER: TMO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,728.

-30- 323
#90263c0931 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, THOMAS P PLUNKETT, PRES. OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c0932 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOMAS P PLUNKETT, PRES. OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c0933 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, THOMAS P PLUNKETT, PRES. OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c0934 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, THOMAS P PLUNKETT, PRES. OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c0935 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, THOMAS P PLUNKETT, PRES. OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c0936 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, THOMAS P PLUNKETT, PRES. OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c0938 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DONALD E AUGUST, DIR. OF TOREADOR ROYALTY CORP. (TICKER: TRGL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90263c0939 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DONALD E AUGUST, DIR. OF TOREADOR ROYALTY CORP. (TICKER: TRGL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 319
#90263c0940 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RAY J PULLEY, DIR. OF TRINITY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90263c0941 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RAY J PULLEY, DIR. OF TRINITY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRN), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $25.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,320.

-30- 309
#90263c0942 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ROBERT A PETERSON, VP OF THE TORO CO. (TICKER: TTC), SOLD 3,390 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,166.

-30- 295
#90263c0943 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, CHARLES W DAVIES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TULTEX CORP. (TICKER: TTX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,623.

-30- 324
#90263c0944 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DONALD L GROSS, VP OF UNITED FEDERAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: UFBK), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,879.

-30- 326
#90263c0946 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RUTH R MCMULLIN, DIR. OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 306
#90263c0947 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES V GIUFFRA, CHAIRMAN OF USLICO CORP. (TICKER: USC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90263c0948 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES V GIUFFRA, CHAIRMAN OF USLICO CORP. (TICKER: USC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,715.

-30- 310
#90263c0949 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MICHAEL J VERROCHI, DIR. OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,612.

-30- 299
#90263c0950 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ALLAN R CAMPBELL, VP OF UNITRODE CORP. (TICKER: UTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 301
#90263c0951 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, DENNIS A PEASENELL, VP OF UNITRODE CORP. (TICKER: UTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90263c0952 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, DENNIS A PEASENELL, VP OF UNITRODE CORP. (TICKER: UTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 304
#90263c0954 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SYDNEY L CATE, DIR. OF VALMONT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: VALM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 310
#90263c0955 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, THOMAS K REED JR, CHAIRMAN OF VIVIGEN INC. (TICKER: VIVI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 488,466.

-30- 310
#90263c0956 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN D BALDESCHWIELER, CHAIRMAN OF VESTAR INC. (TICKER: VSTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,812.

-30- 322
#90263c0957 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN A LUKE JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WESTVACO CORP. (TICKER: W), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,153.

-30- 324
#90263c0958 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WESTVACO SVGS&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WESTVACO CORP. (TICKER: W), BOUGHT 46,400 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,269,448.

-30- 337
#90263c0959 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM T BACON JR, DIR. OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,900.

-30- 302
#90263c0960 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HARLAN W IDEL, OFFICER OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,800.

-30- 303
#90263c0962 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, WILLIAM M MORAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $32.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c0963 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLIAM M MORAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $32.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,000.

-30- 329
#90263c0964 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WILLIAM R TANNEHILL, SHAREHOLDER OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,512.

-30- 324
#90263c0965 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM B WINKELER, VP OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $32.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,027.

-30- 302
#90263c0966 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, KEITH D ELWICK, DIR. OF WINNEBAGO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WGO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 313
#90263c0967 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PETER A WIGGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WATERHOUSE INVESTOR SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WHOO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 357
#90263c0968 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $50.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90263c0970 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $49.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90263c0971 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE

INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $49.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90263c0972 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $49.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90263c0973 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90263c0974 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90263c0975 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,754 SHARES AT $50.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90263c0976 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 986 SHARES AT $51.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90263c0978 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, THOMAS C SCOTT, VP OF WASHINGTON NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER:

WNT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,800.

-30- 316
#90263c0979 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALLAN S GORDON, DIR. OF WESTERN PUBLISHING GROUP INC. (TICKER: WPGI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 334
#90263c0980 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALLAN S GORDON, DIR. OF WESTERN PUBLISHING GROUP INC. (TICKER: WPGI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 337
#90263c0981 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RONALD D JEANCON, DIR. OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO), BOUGHT 115,000 SHARES AT $2.17 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 264,900.

-30- 329
#90263c0982 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, HUGO RUIZ, DIR. OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,681.

-30- 312
#90263c0983 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, HUGO RUIZ, DIR. OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90263c0984 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, HUGO RUIZ, DIR. OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,681.

-30- 312
#90263c0986 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, BERDELL WELLING & CO PSP, BEN. OWNER OF XIOX CORP. (TICKER: XIOX), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c0987 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, BERDELL WELLING & CO PSP, BEN. OWNER OF XIOX CORP. (TICKER: XIOX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c0988 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, BERDELL WELLING & CO PSP, BEN. OWNER OF XIOX CORP. (TICKER: XIOX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c0989 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BERDELL WELLING & CO PSP, BEN. OWNER OF XIOX CORP. (TICKER: XIOX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c0990 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BERDELL WELLING & CO PSP, BEN. OWNER OF XIOX CORP. (TICKER: XIOX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 199,400.

-30- 334
#90263c0991 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, BERNARD D OLMSTED, OFFICER OF XYLOGICS INC. (TICKER: XLGX), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 312
#90263c0992 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, CHAIRMAN OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90263c0994 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, KENNETH R RATCLIFFE, OFFICER OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL), SOLD 516 SHARES AT $43.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 260.

-30- 322
#90263c0995 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DAVID G ANDERSON, OFFICER OF ACME ELECTRIC CORP. (TICKER: ACE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 858.

-30- 316
#90263c0996 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DANIEL R MILLIASN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 356
#90263c0997 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DANIEL R MILLIASN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 358
#90263c0998 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOHN E JONES, DIR. OF ALLIED PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: ADP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 306
#90263c0999 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, WILLIAM J NEWCOMB, OFFICER OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90263c1000 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM J NEWCOMB, OFFICER OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90263c1002 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ABE OBERLIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90263c1003 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ABE OBERLIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90263c1004 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ABE OBERLIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90263c1005 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ABE OBERLIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90263c1006 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ABE OBERLIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90263c1007 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ABE OBERLIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,093,904.

-30- 343
#90263c1008 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, RAYMOND L COLOTTI, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ALLIANCE GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FD INC. (TICKER: AEF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 383
#90263c1010 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, MICHAEL F EICHNER, DIR. OF ALPNET INC. (TICKER: AILP), SOLD 110,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 298,408.

-30- 305
#90263c1011 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WALLACE B MILLNER III, DIR. OF ALLIED CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: ALLC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 317
#90263c1012 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BRUCE R FARKAS, DIR. OF ALEXANDER'S INC. (TICKER: ALX), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $35.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90263c1013 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BRUCE R FARKAS, DIR. OF ALEXANDER'S INC. (TICKER: ALX), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,100.

-30- 302
#90263c1014 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, NORMAN M DEAN, DIR. OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 341
#90263c1015 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, ROBERT F GUNIA, DIR. OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 311
#90263c1016 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GEORGE K HANSEN, DIR. OF AEQUITRON MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: AQTN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c1018 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM S FRIEDMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,416.

-30- 353
#90263c1019 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THOMAS E MALLOY, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN REPUBLIC BANCORP. (TICKER: ARBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,250.

-30- 343
#90263c1020 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN M ULRICH JR, DIR. OF AMERICAN RELIANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: ARIG), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 330
#90263c1021 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES D DOERING, VP OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90263c1022 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES D DOERING, VP OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,080.

-30- 301

#90263c1023 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOHN J HARVEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 119,419.

-30- 328
#90263c1024 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,829.

-30- 354
#90263c1026 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DONN R DRESSELHUYS, DIR. OF AUTOTROL CORP. (TICKER: AUTR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 246,629.

-30- 314
#90263c1027 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 14, 1990, JUDSON R GROSVENOR, DIR. OF FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: BEN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $33.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c1028 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 30, 1990, JUDSON R GROSVENOR, DIR. OF FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: BEN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $33.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,043.

-30- 331
#90263c1029 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES C MCGUIRE, VP OF FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC.

(TICKER: BEN), SOLD 334 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c1030 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ROBERT DALZELL JR, DIR. OF BROADWAY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BFCP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,540.

-30- 325
#90263c1031 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, LEONARD KOHL, DIR. OF BROADWAY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BFCP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,900.

-30- 318
#90263c1032 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CHARLES E BALBACH, DIR. OF BARRISTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: BIS), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,800.

-30- 349
#90263c1034 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, GENE W MILNER, DIR. OF BANK SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: BKSO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,276.

-30- 300
#90263c1035 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, RONALD H DIX, OFFICER OF BADGER METER INC. (TICKER: BMI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,950.

-30- 304
#90263c1036 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, RONALD H DIX, OFFICER OF BADGER METER INC. (TICKER: BMI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 855.

-30- 304
#90263c1037 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JAMES L FORBES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BADGER METER INC. (TICKER: BMI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,178.

-30- 331
#90263c1038 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PETER A INVERSO, DIR. OF B.M.J. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BMJF), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,062.

-30- 317
#90263c1039 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, PETER A INVERSO, DIR. OF B.M.J. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BMJF), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,791.

-30- 322
#90263c1040 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALBERT P MAINKA, PRES. OF B.M.J. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BMJF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,505.

-30- 318
#90263c1042 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN E HAYES JR, DIR. OF BOATMEN'S BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BOAT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $27.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 1,710.

-30- 322
#90263c1043 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, LEE M LIBERMAN, DIR. OF BOATMEN'S BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BOAT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $25.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 992.

-30- 322
#90263c1044 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, MARK E RINEHART, VP OF BONNEVILLE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: BPCO), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 312
#90263c1045 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM F BERRY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90263c1046 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM F BERRY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 608,944.

-30- 350
#90263c1047 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90263c1048 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $7.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1050 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,565.

-30- 316
#90263c1051 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 317
#90263c1052 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, BARRY STEINHART, VP OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,865.

-30- 291
#90263c1053 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, PETER E THAUER, OFFICER OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 300
#90263c1054 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, RALPH H IMSCHWEILER JR, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: CBKI), BOUGHT 126 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,077.

-30- 339
#90263c1055 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BENJAMIN A HARDESTY, DIR. OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), BOUGHT 128 SHARES AT $12.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,533.

-30- 322
#90263c1056 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, R LEE MYERS, DIR. OF COMPUCHEM CORP. (TICKER: CCEM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c1058 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, R LEE MYERS, DIR. OF COMPUCHEM CORP. (TICKER: CCEM), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c1059 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, R LEE MYERS, DIR. OF COMPUCHEM CORP. (TICKER: CCEM), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c1060 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, R LEE MYERS, DIR. OF COMPUCHEM CORP. (TICKER: CCEM), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c1061 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, R LEE MYERS, DIR. OF COMPUCHEM CORP. (TICKER: CCEM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 223,660.

-30- 300
#90263c1062 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HAROLD J HAYNES, DIR. OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 296
#90263c1063 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, HILARY H FELDPAUSCH, VP OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,802.

-30- 308
#90263c1064 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, OTIS L OCONNOR, DIR. OF CITY HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CHCO), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150.

-30- 304
#90263c1066 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, VERNON F TAYLOR III, DIR. OF CHEMEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: CHMX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 328,900.

-30- 336
#90263c1067 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1986, JOHN L KING, DIR. OF CENTRAL HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CHOL), BOUGHT 4,750 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c1068 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1987, JOHN L KING, DIR. OF CENTRAL HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CHOL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c1069 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 30, 1987, JOHN L KING, DIR. OF CENTRAL HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CHOL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c1070 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1989, JOHN L KING, DIR. OF CENTRAL HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CHOL), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c1071 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1989, JOHN L KING, DIR. OF CENTRAL HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CHOL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,750.

-30- 308
#90263c1072 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 824 SHARES AT $81.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90263c1074 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 779 SHARES AT $74.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90263c1075 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 671 SHARES AT $78.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

53,036,969.

-30- 319
#90263c1076 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES B RENFREW, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $75.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 789.

-30- 321
#90263c1077 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, J HEATH FITZSIMMONS, VP OF THE CONTINENTAL CORP. (TICKER: CIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $23.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 313
#90263c1078 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN P MASCOTTE, CHAIRMAN OF THE CONTINENTAL CORP. (TICKER: CIC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $23.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c1079 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN P MASCOTTE, CHAIRMAN OF THE CONTINENTAL CORP. (TICKER: CIC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $23.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,692.

-30- 322
#90263c1080 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GEORGE G ZIPF, DIR. OF THE CONTINENTAL CORP. (TICKER: CIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 303
#90263c1082 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DORIS L JOHNSON, AFFILIATED PERSON OF CALIFORNIA JOCKEY CLUB (TICKER: CJ), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,612.

-30- 350
#90263c1083 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, GEORGE CHO, OFFICER OF CANDELA LASER CORP. (TICKER: CLZR), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27.

-30- 305
#90263c1084 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JAMES C HSIA, OFFICER OF CANDELA LASER CORP. (TICKER: CLZR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1085 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JAMES C HSIA, OFFICER OF CANDELA LASER CORP. (TICKER: CLZR), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,671.

-30- 318
#90263c1086 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, LINDA K LORIMER, DIR. OF CENTEL CORP. (TICKER: CNT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $28.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 295
#90263c1087 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EDGAR L FRASER, DIR. OF CONDOR SERVICES INC. (TICKER: COND), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,800.

-30- 307
#90263c1088 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES R IRVIE, CHAIRMAN OF CENTURY SOUTH BANKS INC. (TICKER: CSBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 132,985.

-30- 328
#90263c1090 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN F PEYTON, DIR. OF COMMERCIAL INTERTECH CORP. (TICKER: CTEK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c1091 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN F PEYTON, DIR. OF COMMERCIAL INTERTECH CORP. (TICKER: CTEK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 322
#90263c1092 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 18, 1990, MARK E CHESNUT, VP OF CUMMINS ENGINE CO. (TICKER: CUM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $44.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,523.

-30- 304
#90263c1093 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROBERT D STOUT, DIR. OF CENTRAL VERMONT PUBLIC SVC CORP. (TICKER: CV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c1094 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROBERT D STOUT, DIR. OF CENTRAL VERMONT PUBLIC SVC CORP.

(TICKER: CV), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 745.

-30- 330
#90263c1095 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, THOMAS J KELLEHER, OFFICER OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,252.

-30- 306
#90263c1096 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JESSE HILL JR, DIR. OF DELTA AIR LINES INC. (TICKER: DAL), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $58.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,270.

-30- 304
#90263c1098 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN GAVIN, DIR. OF DRESSER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DI), BOUGHT 113 SHARES AT $50.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 297
#90263c1099 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM E LAVERY, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 323
#90263c1100 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOSEPH H CARTER, PRES. OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,614.

-30- 301
#90263c1101 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT S BEADLE, VP OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90263c1102 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT S BEADLE, VP OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,553.

-30- 312
#90263c1103 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT C BECKER, VP OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,297.

-30- 312
#90263c1104 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WILLIAM R KLESSE, VP OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,789.

-30- 313
#90263c1106 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, J ROBERT MEHALL, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1107 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, J ROBERT MEHALL, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,259.

-30- 332
#90263c1108 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PENELOPE A VITEO, OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 840.

-30- 321
#90263c1109 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LAWRENCE M GREENE, DIR. OF DREYFUS CORP. (TICKER: DRY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $31.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c1110 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LAWRENCE M GREENE, DIR. OF DREYFUS CORP. (TICKER: DRY), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c1111 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, LAWRENCE M GREENE, DIR. OF DREYFUS CORP. (TICKER: DRY), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,200.

-30- 299
#90263c1112 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LAWRENCE M GREENE, DIR. OF DREYFUS CORP. (TICKER: DRY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $31.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 298
#90263c1114 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1989, PETRUS HUYSMANS, DIR. OF DTI MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: DTIM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

74,222.

-30- 313
#90263c1115 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JAMES L KOLEY, SHAREHOLDER OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90263c1116 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, LEWIS F CAMP JR, OFFICER OF DUKE POWER CO. (TICKER: DUK), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $58.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,311.

-30- 304
#90263c1117 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, RICHARD A ASTA, OFFICER OF DIXON TICONDEROGA CO. (TICKER: DXT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c1118 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, RICHARD A ASTA, OFFICER OF DIXON TICONDEROGA CO. (TICKER: DXT), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 322
#90263c1119 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN E ECHLIN JR, DIR. OF ECHLIN INC. (TICKER: ECH), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 493,368.

-30- 297
#90263c1120 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, J MURRAY LOGAN, DIR. OF EUROPE FUND INC. (TICKER: EF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 304
#90263c1122 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT S AMES, DIR. OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90263c1123 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT S AMES, DIR. OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 295
#90263c1124 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, COLBY H CHANDLER, DIR. OF FORD MOTOR CO. (DEL) (TICKER: F), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $34.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 319
#90263c1125 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CATESBY C JONES, DIR. OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,500.

-30- 331
#90263c1126 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CATESBY C JONES, DIR. OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c1127 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CATESBY C JONES, DIR. OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $16.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,330.

-30- 331
#90263c1128 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, B DOYLE CRAVEN, DIR. OF F.N.B. CORP. (TICKER: FBAN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 650.

-30- 292
#90263c1130 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FOOTE CONE & BELDING ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF FOOTE CONE & BELDING COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: FCB), BOUGHT 27,106 SHARES AT $27.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 361
#90263c1131 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 27, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,250.

-30- 317
#90263c1132 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CECIL W CUPP JR, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLR), SOLD 6,600 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c1133 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, BARRY S PORTER, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $41.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 562.

-30- 322
#90263c1134 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, RYAN D TENNYSON, VP OF F.F.O. FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FFFG), SOLD 4,999 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,001.

-30- 329
#90263c1135 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MICHAEL L SMITH, DIR. OF FIRST INDIANA CORP. (TICKER: FISB), BOUGHT 485 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,535.

-30- 310
#90263c1136 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $29.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,591,884.

-30- 355
#90263c1138 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, W GILES HUNNINGS JR, VP OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,243.

-30- 323
#90263c1139 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LAWRENCE L MANN, OFFICER OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c1140 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, LAWRENCE L MANN, OFFICER OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,363.

-30- 320
#90263c1141 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, F DON BRADFORD, DIR. OF FIRST LIBERTY FINANCIAL CORP. (GA) (TICKER: FLFC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,400.

-30- 345
#90263c1142 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JOHN M MASON, SHAREHOLDER OF FLAGSHIP FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FLGF), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 332
#90263c1143 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, PATRICK M CRAHAN, VP OF FLEXSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FLXS), BOUGHT 360 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,011.

-30- 310
#90263c1144 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JAMES E GILBERTSON, VP OF FLEXSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FLXS), BOUGHT 342 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,417.

-30- 315
#90263c1146 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ROBERT N MANN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (CA)

(TICKER: FN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c1147 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT N MANN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (CA)
(TICKER: FN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90263c1148 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT N MANN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (CA)
(TICKER: FN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90263c1149 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT N MANN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (CA)
(TICKER: FN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c1150 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT N MANN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (CA)
(TICKER: FN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c1151 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT N MANN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (CA)
(TICKER: FN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c1152 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT N MANN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (CA)

(TICKER: FN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c1154 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ROBERT N MANN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (CA)
(TICKER: FN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS
TO 78,000.

-30- 317
#90263c1155 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CHARLES L DALEY, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP.
(TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c1156 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, CHARLES L DALEY, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP.
(TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c1157 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CHARLES L DALEY, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP.
(TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1158 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CHARLES L DALEY, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP.
(TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1159 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CHARLES L DALEY, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c1160 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES L DALEY, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1162 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WILLIS H NEWTON JR, VP OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 323
#90263c1163 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, LIONEL D ALFORD, DIR. OF FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FRTH), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $22.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90263c1164 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, LIONEL D ALFORD, DIR. OF FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FRTH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90263c1165 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, LIONEL D ALFORD, DIR. OF FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FRTH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,423.

-30- 317
#90263c1166 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID J MAKI, OFFICER OF FULLER (H.B.) CO. (TICKER: FULL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90263c1167 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DAVID J MAKI, OFFICER OF FULLER (H.B.) CO. (TICKER: FULL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,503.

-30- 310
#90263c1168 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WILLIAM H CLARK JR, DIR. OF FULTON FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FULT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,130.

-30- 321
#90263c1170 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID S ETTER, DIR. OF FULTON FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FULT), BOUGHT 330 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 316
#90263c1171 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM E BARTON, VP OF GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC. (TICKER: GCCO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 318
#90263c1172 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ARTHUR NICKERSON, OFFICER OF GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC. (TICKER: GCCO), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 400.

-30- 329
#90263c1173 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, FRANK J VEGA, DIV. OFFICER OF GANNETT CO. (TICKER: GCI), SOLD 8,945 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24.

-30- 304
#90263c1174 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WILLIAM F SMITH, DIR. OF GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: GE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $67.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90263c1175 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WILLIAM F SMITH, DIR. OF GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: GE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $59.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 310
#90263c1176 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JAMES D SNYDER, OFFICER OF GEODYNE RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GEOD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,000.

-30- 326
#90263c1178 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90263c1179 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90263c1180 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90263c1181 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90263c1182 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90263c1183 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90263c1184 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90263c1186 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, THOMAS L EASLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,100.

-30- 333
#90263c1187 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, DOUGLAS S WAGGAMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GERRITY OIL & GAS CORP. (TICKER: GOIL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 344
#90263c1188 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, WEYMAN B JONES, OFFICER OF GRUMMAN CORP. (TICKER: GQ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,158.

-30- 303
#90263c1189 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DONALD J KIRK, DIR. OF GENERAL RE CORP. (TICKER: GRN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 310
#90263c1190 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, TELEMETRIX PLC, BEN. OWNER OF GTI CORP. (TICKER: GTI), BOUGHT 2,500,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,248,300.

-30- 315
#90263c1191 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, C ROBERT FIELDER, VP OF HALLIBURTON CO. (TICKER: HAL), SOLD 487 SHARES AT $55.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,340.

-30- 300
#90263c1192 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c1194 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 261,250.

-30- 327
#90263c1195 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c1196 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c1197 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c1198 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 227,375.

-30- 330
#90263c1199 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MILTON A WOLF, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 397,744.

-30- 328
#90263c1200 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, MICHAEL L HOLTZAPPLE, OFFICER OF FLIGHT INTL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FLTI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 330
#90263c1202 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JAMES H STONE, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,117.

-30- 297
#90263c1203 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES C BENJAMIN, VP OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HPH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 769.

-30- 319
#90263c1204 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, WILLIAM E BIERLIN JR, VP OF HOPPER SOLIDAY CORP. (TICKER: HS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90263c1205 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WILLIAM E BIERLIN JR, VP OF HOPPER SOLIDAY CORP. (TICKER: HS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90263c1206 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM E BIERLIN JR, VP OF HOPPER SOLIDAY CORP. (TICKER: HS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90263c1207 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, WILLIAM E BIERLIN JR, VP OF HOPPER SOLIDAY CORP. (TICKER: HS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,000.

-30- 317
#90263c1208 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN H TEAFORD, OFFICER OF HOPPER SOLIDAY CORP. (TICKER: HS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,825.

-30- 314
#90263c1210 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RICHARD E GILES, DIR. OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c1211 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RICHARD E GILES, DIR. OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,600.

-30- 322

#90263c1212 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, DOUGLAS J HERBST, VP OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c1213 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, DOUGLAS J HERBST, VP OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,589.

-30- 320
#90263c1214 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRED P LINDER, OFFICER OF HAWKEYE BANCORP. (TICKER: HWKB), BOUGHT 310 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,250.

-30- 315
#90263c1215 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HAROLD J HAYNES, DIR. OF HEWLETT-PACKARD CO. (TICKER: HWP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 316
#90263c1216 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, ROBERT E POWELL, VP OF INLAND STEEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IAD), SOLD 545 SHARES AT $30.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,591.

-30- 313
#90263c1218 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 04, 1990, EMILIO BASSINI, PRES. OF INDONESIA FUND INC. (TICKER:

IF), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $16.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

-30- 314
#90263c1219 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 09, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INDONESIA FUND INC. (TICKER: IF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c1220 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 04, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INDONESIA FUND INC. (TICKER: IF), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $16.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c1221 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INDONESIA FUND INC. (TICKER: IF), SOLD 3,900 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1222 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 02, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INDONESIA FUND INC. (TICKER: IF), SOLD 7,400 SHARES AT $15.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1223 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 25, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INDONESIA FUND INC. (TICKER: IF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1224 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 29, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INDONESIA FUND INC. (TICKER: IF), SOLD 3,300 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1226 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CHARLES S DEVOY, DIR. OF IMPERIAL HOLLY CORP. (TICKER: IHK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,026.

-30- 313
#90263c1227 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, RICHARD BLOCK, PRES. OF IPCO CORP. (TICKER: IHS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,000.

-30- 290
#90263c1228 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, RUDY LUTHER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF INTERNATIONAL DAIRY QUEEN INC. (TICKER: INDQ), SOLD 39,776 SHARES AT $59.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 584,176.

-30- 357
#90263c1229 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WARREN RUDERMAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF INRAD INC. (TICKER: INRD), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 587,000.

-30- 347
#90263c1230 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, PETER BALJET, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY CORP. (TICKER: INT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278

#90263c1231 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, PETER BALJET, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY CORP. (TICKER: INT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1232 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PETER BALJET, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY CORP. (TICKER: INT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1234 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, RALPH R FEUERRING, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY CORP. (TICKER: INT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 329
#90263c1235 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, WILLIAM WALTER, DIR. OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 338,310.

-30- 330
#90263c1236 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 01, 1990, WILLIAM WALTER, DIR. OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c1237 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 02, 1990, WILLIAM WALTER, DIR. OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c1238 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 02, 1990, WILLIAM WALTER, DIR. OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c1239 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, WILLIAM WALTER, DIR. OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c1240 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 17, 1990, WILLIAM WALTER, DIR. OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c1242 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, WILLIAM WALTER, DIR. OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c1243 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, WILLIAM WALTER, DIR. OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c1244 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, WILLIAM WALTER, DIR. OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 288,310.

-30- 330
#90263c1245 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 04, 1990, WILLIAM WALTER, DIR. OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c1246 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, WILLIAM WALTER, DIR. OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c1247 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, WILLIAM WALTER, DIR. OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c1248 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, WILLIAM WALTER, DIR. OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 248,310.

-30- 330
#90263c1250 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HANS E MERTENS, OFFICER OF KANSAS POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: KAN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 326
#90263c1251 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES B GRISWOLD, DIR. OF KEITHLEY INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: KEI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 995.

-30- 323
#90263c1252 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, LARRY A STARK, OFFICER OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,035.

-30- 335
#90263c1253 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ARTHUR J MINASY, PRES. OF KNOGO CORP. (TICKER: KNO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90263c1254 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ARTHUR J MINASY, PRES. OF KNOGO CORP. (TICKER: KNO), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90263c1255 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ARTHUR J MINASY, PRES. OF KNOGO CORP. (TICKER: KNO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 678,800.

-30- 295
#90263c1256 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GLENAYRE ELECTRONICS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF KUSTOM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: KUST), BOUGHT 2,170 SHARES AT $4.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90263c1258 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF LATIN AMERICAN INVESTMENT FD INC. (TICKER: LAM), BOUGHT 6,667 SHARES AT $12.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,836.

-30- 363
#90263c1259 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, CRAIG E LABARGE, PRES. OF LABARGE INC. (TICKER: LB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 267,640.

-30- 298
#90263c1260 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLIAM W BARNES, OFFICER OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34.

-30- 302
#90263c1261 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, WILLIAM A MACOMBER, DIR. OF LINCOLN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LFIN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 324
#90263c1262 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDWARD J CASEY JR, VP OF LG & E ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: LGE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90263c1263 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EDWARD J CASEY JR, VP OF LG & E ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: LGE), BOUGHT 260 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 460.

-30- 303
#90263c1264 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MONTROSE L EMERSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c1266 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MONTROSE L EMERSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 322
#90263c1267 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RODNEY C PERKINS, CHAIRMAN OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90263c1268 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RODNEY C PERKINS, CHAIRMAN OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90263c1269 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RODNEY C PERKINS, CHAIRMAN OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 129,234.

-30- 310
#90263c1270 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOHN G DENISON, OFFICER OF SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO. (TICKER: LUV), BOUGHT 859 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,359.

-30- 337
#90263c1271 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CAMILLE T KEITH, OFFICER OF SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO. (TICKER: LUV), BOUGHT 501 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,772.

-30- 336
#90263c1272 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WALTER A HILL SR, DIR. OF LSB BANCSHARES INC. (NC) (TICKER: LXBK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,274.

-30- 319
#90263c1274 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, IRVING J HELMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c1275 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, IRVING J HELMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c1276 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, IRVING J HELMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c1277 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, IRVING J HELMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c1278 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, IRVING J HELMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c1279 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, IRVING J HELMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c1280 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, IRVING J HELMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c1282 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, KEITH D GRINSTEIN, OFFICER OF MCCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: MCAW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 351
#90263c1283 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JEFFREY C LYMAN, OFFICER OF MCCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: MCAW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,427.

-30- 347
#90263c1284 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN D THOMPSON, OFFICER OF MCCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: MCAW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 449.

-30- 348
#90263c1285 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, STEPHEN J FEINBERG, DIR. OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,013.

-30- 333
#90263c1286 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CLARENCE B ROGERS JR, DIR. OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCIC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $33.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 330
#90263c1287 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN W HOLADAY, DIR. OF MEDICIS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. (TICKER: MDRX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 332
#90263c1288 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DONALD G WALSER, DIR. OF MID-SOUTH INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: MIDS), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,616.

-30- 325
#90263c1290 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JAMES C FINKBEINER, OFFICER OF MACMILLAN BLOEDEL LTD.

(TICKER: MMBL), SOLD 1,025 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c1291 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GEORGE LOW, OFFICER OF MACMILLAN BLOEDEL LTD. (TICKER: MMBL), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c1292 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, E PAUL CASEY, DIR. OF MANUFACTURERS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNTL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,938.

-30- 321
#90263c1293 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, EDGAR D JANNOTTA, DIR. OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 300
#90263c1294 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALLEN B MORGAN JR, CHAIRMAN OF MORGAN KEEGAN INC. (TICKER: MOR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c1295 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALLEN B MORGAN JR, CHAIRMAN OF MORGAN KEEGAN INC. (TICKER: MOR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,299.

-30- 320
#90263c1296 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM L GAUNT, VP OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,973.

-30- 313
#90263c1298 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, SAMUEL A MCCULLOUGH, CHAIRMAN OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c1299 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, SAMUEL A MCCULLOUGH, CHAIRMAN OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,520.

-30- 337
#90263c1300 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, STANLEY C COTHERN, OFFICER OF MUELLER (PAUL) CO. (TICKER: MUEL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 317
#90263c1301 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, GEORGE R IRELAND, OFFICER OF MINVEN GOLD CORP. (TICKER: MVG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 320
#90263c1302 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, EUGENE L HUGHES, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90263c1303 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, EUGENE L HUGHES, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90263c1304 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, EUGENE L HUGHES, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90263c1306 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, KRISTINE F HUGHES, CHAIRMAN OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c1307 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, KRISTINE F HUGHES, CHAIRMAN OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c1308 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, KRISTINE F HUGHES, CHAIRMAN OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90263c1309 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, KRISTINE F HUGHES, CHAIRMAN OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,007,202.

-30- 342
#90263c1310 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ORMAND J WADE, DIR. OF NBD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 950.

-30- 297
#90263c1311 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, CHARLES F WHITTEN, DIR. OF NBD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,221.

-30- 305
#90263c1312 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, KENNETH J HOLCK, VP OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 308 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 711.

-30- 321
#90263c1314 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GARY R PETERSEN, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 302
#90263c1315 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1316 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1317 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1318 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
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-30- 677
#90263c1319 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1320 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90263c1322 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1323 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 232,922.

-30- 340
#90263c1324 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JESSE HILL JR, DIR. OF NATIONAL SERVICE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NSI), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 648.

-30- 307
#90263c1325 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOHN A DOHERTY, VP OF NUCOR CORP. (TICKER: NUE), SOLD 579 SHARES AT $67.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90263c1326 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID C COX, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 302
#90263c1327 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RICHARD R CROWL, OFFICER OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 318.

-30- 312

#90263c1328 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, NANCY J FLETCHER, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 315
#90263c1330 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOHN H FLITTIE, OFFICER OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,900.

-30- 320
#90263c1331 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JAMES R MILLER, OFFICER OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $22.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 313
#90263c1332 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DONALD A STILES, OFFICER OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c1333 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DONALD A STILES, OFFICER OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 313
#90263c1334 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN G TURNER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c1335 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN G TURNER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c1336 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROGER A WEBER, OFFICER OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 311
#90263c1338 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, LEONARD A WALKER, BEN. OWNER OF ORBIT GAS CO (TICKER: OGHS), SOLD 69,013 SHARES AT $2.83 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90263c1339 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, F JAMES SHORT, VP OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 303
#90263c1340 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROYAL E CABELL JR, DIR. OF OWENS & MINOR INC. (TICKER: OMI), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,953.

-30- 309
#90263c1341 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, HERBERT J FLEMING, PRES. OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,050.

-30- 316
#90263c1342 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ROGER V CARTER, DIR. OF OREGON METALLURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: OREM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 321
#90263c1343 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JACOB B LILLESTOL, OFFICER OF OTTER TAIL POWER CO. (TICKER: OTTR), SOLD 110 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1344 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JACOB B LILLESTOL, OFFICER OF OTTER TAIL POWER CO. (TICKER: OTTR), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1346 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HAROLD J HAYNES, DIR. OF PACCAR INC. (TICKER: PCAR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 298
#90263c1347 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, H THOMAS REED, VP OF PENWEST LTD. (TICKER: PENW), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 287
#90263c1348 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DOUGLAS D MARSH, DIR. OF PEOPLES FEDERAL SVGS BANK

DEKALB CNTY(IN) (TICKER: PFDC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 363
#90263c1349 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CYNTHIA B HOVIS, OFFICER OF PIEDMONT MINING CO.,INC. (TICKER: PIED), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 326
#90263c1350 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, H DOUGLAS NEILL, VP OF PIONEER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PION), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 310
#90263c1351 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID T BAILEY, VP OF POLICY MANAGEMENT SYS CORP. (TICKER: PMS), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c1352 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID T BAILEY, VP OF POLICY MANAGEMENT SYS CORP. (TICKER: PMS), SOLD 798 SHARES AT $38.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c1354 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, TEXAS SECURITIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF PONDER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNDR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90263c1355 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, TEXAS SECURITIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF PONDER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNDR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90263c1356 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TEXAS SECURITIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF PONDER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNDR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 930,000.

-30- 335
#90263c1357 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, TEXAS SECURITIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF PONDER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNDR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90263c1358 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, TEXAS SECURITIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF PONDER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNDR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 960,000.

-30- 335
#90263c1359 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ELISABETH G HAIR, DIR. OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: PNY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 321
#90263c1360 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ELISABETH G HAIR, DIR. OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: PNY), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

-30- 321
#90263c1362 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, STEPHEN H NORRIS, OFFICER OF PRICOR INC. (TICKER: PRCO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 297
#90263c1363 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, THOMAS A CALDWELL JR, OFFICER OF PROGROUP INC. (TICKER: PRGR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 318
#90263c1364 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RICHARD J NADLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PAR PHARMACEUTICAL INC. (TICKER: PRX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,431.

-30- 343
#90263c1365 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, FRED C SHANAMAN JR, DIR. OF PUGET SOUND BANCORP. (TICKER: PSNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,600.

-30- 328
#90263c1366 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, PATRICK W MCCATER, VP OF PUBLIC SERVICE CO. OF COLORADO (TICKER: PSR), BOUGHT 155 SHARES AT $21.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c1367 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FRANK J ZUGEL, VP OF PACIFIC SCIENTIFIC CO. (TICKER: PSX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,438.

-30- 308
#90263c1368 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RONALD D FISHER, PRES. OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,000.

-30- 330
#90263c1370 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, ROBERT B MCKNIGHT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUIKSILVER INC. (TICKER: QUIK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c1371 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, ROBERT B MCKNIGHT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUIKSILVER INC. (TICKER: QUIK), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $26.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c1372 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, ROBERT B MCKNIGHT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUIKSILVER INC. (TICKER: QUIK), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $26.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c1373 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, ROBERT B MCKNIGHT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUIKSILVER INC. (TICKER: QUIK), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $25.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c1374 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, ROBERT B MCKNIGHT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUIKSILVER INC. (TICKER: QUIK), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $25.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c1375 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, ROBERT B MCKNIGHT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUIKSILVER INC. (TICKER: QUIK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c1376 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, ROBERT B MCKNIGHT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUIKSILVER INC. (TICKER: QUIK), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $26.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 413,000.

-30- 336
#90263c1378 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM COMPONOVO, OFFICER OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 310
#90263c1379 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RODNEY K GRUENBERG, OFFICER OF RAILROAD FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RAIL), SOLD 535 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 824.

-30- 328
#90263c1380 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, CHARLES W YEARGAIN, VP OF ROWAN COS. (TICKER: RDC), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 333,699.

-30- 296

#90263c1381 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DEBRA G HERRON, OFFICER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1382 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, GERALD E MCGINNIS, PRES. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1383 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, GERALD E MCGINNIS, PRES. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1384 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, GERALD E MCGINNIS, PRES. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1386 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, GERALD E MCGINNIS, PRES. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1387 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, GERALD E MCGINNIS, PRES. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278

#90263c1388 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, GERALD E MCGINNIS, PRES. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1389 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, GERALD E MCGINNIS, PRES. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c1390 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, GERALD E MCGINNIS, PRES. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1391 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, GERALD E MCGINNIS, PRES. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1392 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, GERALD E MCGINNIS, PRES. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1394 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, GERALD E MCGINNIS, PRES. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278

#90263c1395 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, GERALD E MCGINNIS, PRES. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1396 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, GERALD E MCGINNIS, PRES. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 449,408.

-30- 317
#90263c1397 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DALE L MEDFORD, OFFICER OF REYNOLDS & REYNOLDS CO. (TICKER: REY), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c1398 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DALE L MEDFORD, OFFICER OF REYNOLDS & REYNOLDS CO. (TICKER: REY), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,400.

-30- 326
#90263c1399 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, CHARLES F SPIRO, DIR. OF ROGERS CORP. (TICKER: ROG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90263c1400 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, CHARLES F SPIRO, DIR. OF ROGERS CORP. (TICKER: ROG), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,500.

-30- 293
#90263c1402 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CLAYTON H NIELSEN, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,915.

-30- 330
#90263c1403 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WILLIAM E MITCHELL, VP OF RAYCHEM CORP. (TICKER: RYC), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,747.

-30- 296
#90263c1404 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RICHARD O RYAN, PRES. OF DEKALB GENETICS CORP. (TICKER: SEED), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90263c1405 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RICHARD O RYAN, PRES. OF DEKALB GENETICS CORP. (TICKER: SEED), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,750.

-30- 314
#90263c1406 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GREGORY F TAYLOR, OFFICER OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90263c1407 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, PAUL D WEINBERG, VP OF SFFED CORP. (TICKER: SFFD),

BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90263c1408 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, PAUL D WEINBERG, VP OF SFFED CORP. (TICKER: SFFD), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,750.

-30- 293
#90263c1410 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, HERBERT J FLEMING, DIR. OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c1411 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, HERBERT J FLEMING, DIR. OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c1412 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, HERBERT J FLEMING, DIR. OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 310
#90263c1413 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, HERBERT J FLEMING, DIR. OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $4.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 311
#90263c1414 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ROBERT W HUMES, VP OF SCIENCE DYNAMICS CORP. (TICKER: SIDY), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 206,633.

-30- 315
#90263c1415 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM B BROYLES, OFFICER OF SJNB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SJNB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,984.

-30- 321
#90263c1416 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 19, 1990, JOSE M CALHOUN, DIR. OF S.K.I LTD. (TICKER: SKII), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 298
#90263c1418 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID S JOSEPH, CHAIRMAN OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 150 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,208.

-30- 347
#90263c1419 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, PAUL E UNDERWOOD, OFFICER OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 104 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,094.

-30- 307
#90263c1420 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, PETER J GIANACAKES, DIR. OF SCIENCE MANAGEMENT CORP. (TICKER: SMG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 329
#90263c1421 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, D KENT HERZER, DIR. OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: SMGS), BOUGHT 145 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,636.

-30- 351
#90263c1422 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WILLIAM A RUNYAN, DIR. OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: SMGS), BOUGHT 156 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,228.

-30- 354
#90263c1423 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, H ROBERT WOODS III, VP OF SPRINGS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SMI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 304
#90263c1424 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 18, 1987, MICOU F BROWNE, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c1426 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1989, MICOU F BROWNE, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c1427 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1990, MICOU F BROWNE, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c1428 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MICOU F BROWNE, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 324
#90263c1429 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, MORRIS D MARLEY, OFFICER OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 444 SHARES AT $13.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,944.

-30- 329
#90263c1430 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES W HAYES, DIR. OF SPELLING AARON PRODUCTIONS INC. (TICKER: SP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c1431 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JAMES W HAYES, DIR. OF SPELLING AARON PRODUCTIONS INC. (TICKER: SP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 335
#90263c1432 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, REID W DENNIS, DIR. OF SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SQNT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $22.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 296

#90263c1434 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LEROY T GLOVER, DIR. OF SHELTON BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SSBC), BOUGHT 680 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,194.

-30- 313
#90263c1435 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, KENNETH E SCHAIBLE, PRES. OF SHELTON BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SSBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,999.

-30- 321
#90263c1436 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROBERT E LONG, CHAIRMAN OF SOUTHERN STARR BROADCASTING GROUP INC. (TICKER: SSBG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,267.

-30- 358
#90263c1437 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MICHAEL T KELLY, OFFICER OF ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: STJM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 318
#90263c1438 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID J FEESER, VP OF STAR STATES CORP. (TICKER: STSS), BOUGHT 1,559 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,059.

-30- 303
#90263c1439 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JUANITA A BORICK, BEN. OWNER OF SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTL

INC. (TICKER: SUP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c1440 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JUANITA A BORICK, BEN. OWNER OF SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTL INC. (TICKER: SUP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c1442 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, STEVEN J BORICK, DIR. OF SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTL INC. (TICKER: SUP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c1443 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, STEVEN J BORICK, DIR. OF SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTL INC. (TICKER: SUP), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,668.

-30- 320
#90263c1444 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 05, 1990, BRADLEY S MESSER, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 297
#90263c1445 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JAMES T KELLY, DIR. OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90263c1446 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JAMES T KELLY, DIR. OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90263c1447 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JAMES T KELLY, DIR. OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 296
#90263c1448 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RICHARD G MERRILL, DIR. OF SYSCO CORP. (TICKER: SYY), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,200.

-30- 295
#90263c1450 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN E CASTELLO, OFFICER OF TIS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: TIS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c1451 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN E CASTELLO, OFFICER OF TIS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: TIS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,900.

-30- 336
#90263c1452 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HARVIE M MERRILL, DIR. OF TIS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: TIS), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,300.

-30- 330
#90263c1453 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, PHILIP J ALFORD, VP OF TEKELEC. (TICKER: TKLC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,675.

-30- 292
#90263c1454 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1455 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1456 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 6,267 SHARES AT $18.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1458 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, B JAMES ALLEY, DIR. OF TYCO TOYS INC. (TICKER: TTOY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,440.

-30- 297
#90263c1459 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, R DARBY LARRY, SHAREHOLDER OF UNIONFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UFF), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150.

-30- 328

#90263c1460 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CATHERINE D WALSH, SHAREHOLDER OF UNIONFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UFF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 332
#90263c1461 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MARK C MYERS, PRES. OF UNITED MEDICORP INC. (TICKER: UMCI), SOLD 853 SHARES AT $4.42 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90263c1462 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MARK C MYERS, PRES. OF UNITED MEDICORP INC. (TICKER: UMCI), SOLD 311 SHARES AT $4.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 345,166.

-30- 309
#90263c1463 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLIAM F ANDREWS, PRES. OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90263c1464 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM F ANDREWS, PRES. OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90263c1466 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WILLIAM F ANDREWS, PRES. OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90263c1467 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM F ANDREWS, PRES. OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,500.

-30- 309
#90263c1468 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DAVID I BRENNER, DIR. OF US WEST NEWVECTOR GRP INC. (TICKER: USWN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 324
#90263c1469 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAUSE, VP OF UNITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: UT), BOUGHT 140 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c1470 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAUSE, VP OF UNITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: UT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $25.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c1471 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAUSE, VP OF UNITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: UT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,840.

-30- 329
#90263c1472 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES A CAIRNES, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES

CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,131.

-30- 334
#90263c1474 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, BRUCE R LAUMEISTER, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 341
#90263c1475 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MARK W RICHARDS, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,249.

-30- 334
#90263c1476 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, MARK W RICHARDS, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 898 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 898.

-30- 329
#90263c1477 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ED KWIATKOWSKI, VP OF VITAL SIGNS INC. (TICKER: VITL), BOUGHT 550 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,325.

-30- 303
#90263c1478 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JAMES SUMAS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VILLAGE SUPER MARKET INC. (TICKER: VLGE), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,980.

-30- 366
#90263c1479 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FRANKLIN D WHITE SR, OFFICER OF VALID LOGIC SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: VLID), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c1480 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FRANKLIN D WHITE SR, OFFICER OF VALID LOGIC SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: VLID), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 333
#90263c1482 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WALTER SOBON, VP OF VWR CORP. (TICKER: VWRX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 276
#90263c1483 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, NEAL E MADISEN, DIR. OF VALLEY BANCORPORATION (WI) (TICKER: VYBN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,100.

-30- 317
#90263c1484 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, CHARLES H SAUTER, OFFICER OF VALLEY BANCORPORATION (WI) (TICKER: VYBN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,305.

-30- 327
#90263c1485 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, E JONES WARREN, DIR. OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB),

SOLD 300 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,690.

-30- 294
#90263c1486 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, IRVING B EPSTEIN, DIR. OF WERNER ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: WERN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 313
#90263c1487 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DANIEL R NELSON, CHAIRMAN OF WEST ONE BANCORP (TICKER: WEST), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,006.

-30- 318
#90263c1488 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, HARRY O REINSCH, DIR. OF WELLS FARGO & CO. (TICKER: WFC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $54.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,936.

-30- 306
#90263c1490 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JEFFREY B KOCH, OFFICER OF WILLCOX & GIBBS INC. (TICKER: WG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,697.

-30- 314
#90263c1491 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOSEPH M SCHEPIS, OFFICER OF WASHINGTON GAS LIGHT CO. (TICKER: WGL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,242.

-30- 332
#90263c1492 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DANIEL F MCKEITHAN JR, DIR. OF WICOR INC. (TICKER: WIC), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $20.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 299
#90263c1493 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOSEPH RUSSO, VP OF WITCO CORP. (TICKER: WIT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $25.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 282
#90263c1494 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PAUL Y LIN, VP OF WATKINS-JOHNSON CO. (TICKER: WJ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90263c1495 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN C BACKUS, OFFICER OF WORLDCORP. (TICKER: WOA), SOLD 9,595 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90263c1496 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES E COLBURN, DIR. OF WORLDCORP. (TICKER: WOA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90263c1498 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WILLIAM T CASPERS, DIR. OF WESCO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WSC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $52.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90263c1499 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM T CASPERS, DIR. OF WESCO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WSC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $51.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90263c1500 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM T CASPERS, DIR. OF WESCO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WSC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $51.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,700.

-30- 316
#90263c1501 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, CHARLES E WILLIAMS, DIR. OF WILLIAMS-SONOMA INC. (TICKER: WSGC), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 132,000.

-30- 326
#90263c1502 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GARY H BROWN, VP OF WOOLWORTH CORP. (TICKER: Z), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $25.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 156.

-30- 287
#90263c1503 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 04, 1989, EDWARD S BABBITT JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ZWEIG FUND INC. (TICKER: ZF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c1504 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 09, 1989, EDWARD S BABBITT JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ZWEIG FUND INC. (TICKER: ZF), BOUGHT 115 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c1506 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1989, JOSEPH A DIMENNA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ZWEIG FUND INC. (TICKER: ZF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,109.

-30- 330
#90263c1507 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ZWEIG ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ZWEIG FUND INC. (TICKER: ZF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,109.

-30- 321
#90263c1508 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MARTIN E ZWEIG, CHAIRMAN OF ZWEIG FUND INC. (TICKER: ZF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,722.

-30- 311
#90263c1509 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, EDWARD S BABBITT JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ZWEIG TOTAL RETURN FUND INC. (TICKER: ZTR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,357.

-30- 360
#90263c1510 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOSEPH A DIMENNA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ZWEIG TOTAL RETURN FUND INC. (TICKER: ZTR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,357.

-30- 356
#90263c1511 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
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ARMANINO FOODS OF DISTINCTION INC
BOULEVARD BANCORP INC
BADGER METER INC
BIRD MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC
BOSTON DIGITAL CORP
BONNEVILLE PACIFIC CORP
BUSINESS RECORDS CORPORATION HOLDING CO
BERRY PETROLEUM CO
BEAR STEARNS & CO INC
BSN CORP
BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP
BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP
BALDWIN & LYONS INC
CAPITOL BANCORP
CAESARS WORLD INC
CAMBREX CORP
CAMPBELL RESOURCES INC
CONTEL CELLULAR INC
CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC
CENTURI INC
CONSUMERS FINANCIAL CORP
COMFED BANCORP
CFSB BANCORP INC
GOLDEN POULTRY CO INC
CHART HOUSE ENTRP INC
CIVIC BANCRP
COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC
CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC

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#90263c1512 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TOTAL RETURN ADVISORS ZWEIG, BEN. OWNER OF ZWEIG TOTAL RETURN FUND INC. (TICKER: ZTR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,357.

-30- 354
#90263c1514 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:02 that trade in Southern National Corp.(NASDAQ: SNAT) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 9 1/4. The company is located in Lumberton, NC

-30- 349
#90263c1515 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:07 that trade in NBSC Corp.(NASDAQ: NSCB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 11 3/4. The company is located in Sumter, SC

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#90263c1516 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - Due to a transmission error, duplicate Form 4 filings were released for a number of companies, including the following companies:

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FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC
SANIFILL INC
FLAGSHIP FINANCIAL CORP
FLOATING POINT SYSTEMS INC
FIRST NATIONAL PA CORP
FOREST OIL CORP
FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC
FRUIT OF THE LOOM
FRUEFAUF CORP
FIRST UNION CORP
GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS CO
GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO INC
GANNETT CO INC
GOLD EXPRESS CORP
GUILFORD MILLS INC
GRAHAM CORP
GREINER ENGINEERING INC
GALACTIC RESOURCES LTD
GENLYTE GROUP INC
GREENMAN BROS INC
GRANADA FOODS CORP
GOLDEN OIL CO
GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC
GTS CORP

GREATER WASHINGTON INVESTORS INC
HALLIBURTON CO
CLIFF ENGLE LTD
HUBCO INC
HALSEY DRUG CO INC

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#90263c1517 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Carolina First Corp.(TICKER: CAFC) on Aug. 31, 1990, acquired First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Georgetown, through the merger of a subsidiary of Carolina First into First Federal.

Carolina First issued, in connection with this acquisition, 826,562 shares of common stock in exchange for all the outstanding common stock of First Federal.

-30- 575

#90263c1518 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Skyline Chili Inc.(TICKER: SKCH) reported earnings of $217,258, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $4.94 million for the quarter ended Aug. 5, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $233,150, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $4.44 million for the quarter ended Aug. 6, 1989.

-30- 497

#90263c1519 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Nycal Corp.(TICKER: NYCL), on Aug. 31, 1990, closed on an agreement to acquire a controlling interest (50.7%) in Shephard Insurance Group Ltd., through an exchange of 2.22 million shares of Nycal common stock for 3.48 million of Shephard's outstanding shares.

This transaction increases the number of shares of Nycal common stock outstanding to a total of 7.53 million. In the transaction, Nycal valued its shares at $4 per share, and the shares of Shephard acquired at $2.55 per share.

Shephard is a Vancouver-based holding company owning insurance brokerage agency firms in the United Kingdom and Canada.

-30- 858

#90263c1520 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Firecom Inc.(TICKER: FRCM) earned $13,000 (including an extraordinary loss of $203,000 from discontinued operations), or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $1.62 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $31,000 (including an extraordinary loss of $151,000 from discontinued operations), or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $2.05 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 619

#90263c1522 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Alpha Solarco Inc.(TICKER: ASCO) reported a fiscal year loss of $754,224, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $22,103 for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $866,225, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $101,458 for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1989.

Alpha reports that it is a development stage enterprise, and that it had no sales in the year ended May 31, 1990.

The company's present business activity is directed at photovoltaic technologies.

The company's executive offices are located at 11534 Gondola Drive, Cincinati, OH 45241, and its telephone number is (513) 771-1690.

-30- 847

#90263c1523 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Nugget Oil Corp.(TICKER: NUGO) earned $86,915, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1,864 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with total losses of $297,885, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $457,646 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 471

#90263c1524 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Sandata Inc.(TICKER: SAND) earned $589,941, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $12.01 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $216,436, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $11.44 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1989.

-30- 485

#90263c1525 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Walker Telecommunications Corp.(TICKER: WTEL) reported its capital and surplus improved after June 30, 1990, as a result of the sale of 1.14 million shares of the company's common stock at $0.50 per share in early August, 1990.

In addition to the purchase of one share of common stock at the offering price of $0.50 per share, subscribers to this private placement are entitled to a warrant to purchase another share of Walker's commons stock for $0.60 per share at any time within the next five years.

Net proceeds to Walker from this transaction, the company reports, were $534,000.

The company originally had reported on its June 30, 1990 form 10-Q that its capital and surplus was less than the $375,000 required for continued inclusion of prices of the company's securities on the NASDAQ system.

-30- 1054

#90263c1526 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows SCS/Compute Inc.(TICKER: SCOM) lost $3.39 million, or $1.33 per share, on revenues of $2.54 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with total losses of $2.43 million, or $0.80 per share, on revenues of $2.53 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

-30- 500

#90263c1527 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows H.J. Heinz Co. (TICKER: HNZ) reported earnings of $143,237, or $0.54 per share, on revenues of $1.56 million for the quarter ended Aug.1, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $126,546, or $0.48 per share, on revenues of $1.45 million for the quarter ended Aug. 2, 1989.

-30- 490

#90263c1528 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Homecare Management Inc.(TICKER: HMIS) earned $178,029, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.65 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $59,400, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.10 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 490

#90263c1530 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Detroit & Canada Tunnel Corp.(TICKER: DTUN) earned $69,219 (including an extraordinary loss of $224,698 on operations of discontinued businesses and a loss of $48,000 from disposal of discontinued businesses), or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $4.03 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $385,206 (including an extraordinary loss of $369,724 from a loss on operations of discontinued businesses), or $0.53 per share, on revenues of $3.44 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 745

#90263c1531 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Champions Sports Inc.(TICKER: CSBR) earned $4,294, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.37 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $72,144, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.04 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 490

#90263c1532 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Latoka Inc.(TICKER: LATK) lost $39,789, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $156,632 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total losses of $6,994, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $178,775 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 460

#90263c1533 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Authenticolor Inc.(TICKER: ATCR) lost $69,737, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $2.91 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $42,614, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $2.94 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 469

#90263c1534 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows HOH Water Technology Corp.(TICKER: HOHI) lost $487,547, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $3,244 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $746,511, or $0.12 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

The company reports that as of July 31, 1990, it had not sold any products or services or generated any cash flow from operations.

As a result, during fiscal years 1988 and 1989 and for the nine months ended July 31, 1990, the company has funded its working capital and other cash needs through proceeds of a 1987 public offering.

Additional shares were sold and $1.05 million was obtained from outside investors and other sources, HOH reports.

The company's executive offices are located at 3481 Old Conejo Road, Suite 103 Newbury Park, CA 91320, and its telephone number is (805) 499-0507.

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#90263c1535 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

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HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC
DATAMAG INC
HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC
HEALTH INSURANCE OF VT INC
HOLLAND IND LTD
HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES INC
HOME PORT BANCORP INC
HARNISCHFEGER IND INC
HYDE ATHLETIC IND INC
FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP
IMPERIAL BANCORP
ILLINOIS CENTRAL CORP
INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC
INDUSTRIAL FUNDING CORP
INTER-REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC

IFR SYSTEMS INC
INFORMATION INTL INC
II-VI INC
IKOS SYSTEMS INC
IMCO RECYCLING INC
INDIANA BANCSHARES INC
INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY CORP
INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC
IOWA RESOURCES INC
INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF CO INC
INTERNATIONAL RECTIFIER CORP
ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC

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#90263c1536 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:15 that trade in (NYSE: CFA) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. Company is listed on NYSE ticker symbol CFA .

-30- 328
#90263c1538 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:59 that trade in NBSC Corp.(NASDAQ: NSCB) has been resumed. The first sale was 12; up 1/4 point from the halt, and up 3/4 point from the previous close.

-30- 341
#90263c1539 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Ryan-Murphy Inc.(TICKER: RMII) lost $128,204 on revenues of $1.82 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $173,439 on revenues of $1.77 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 424
#90263c1540 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Score Board Inc.(TICKER: BSBL) earned $844,461, or $0.27 per share, on revenues of $7.72 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $230,550, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $3.95 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 488

#90263c1541 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Boston Bancorp (TICKER: SBOS) earned $3.42 million, or $0.49 per share, on revenues of $35.46 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

This compares with total earnings of $3.57 million, or $0.46 per share, on revenues of $35.32 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90263c1542 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Diversified Retail Group Inc.(TICKER: DRGX) earned $89,025, or $0.04 per share on revenues of $4.43 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $141,818, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $4.28 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90263c1543 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Apparel America Inc. lost $656,000, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $23.77 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with total losses of $920,000 or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $27.0 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90263c1544 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Kitchen Bazaar Inc.(TICKER: KBAZ) lost $551,000, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $2.62 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with losses of $196,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.96 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 468
#90263c1546 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Optical Coating Laboratory Inc.(TICKER: OCLI) earned $1.02 million, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $24.92 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.42 million, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $22.02 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 510
#90263c1547 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Duty Free International Inc.(TICKER: DFII) earned $4.46 million, or $0.41 per share on revenues of $29.16 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $3.20 million, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $24.19 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 511
#90263c1548 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Ambassador Food Services Corp.(TICKER: AMBF) lost $204,672 (including an extraordinary loss of $32,663 from discontinued operations), or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $23.59 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $70,787 (including an extraordinary loss of $77,016 from discontinued operations), or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $21.25 million for the fiscal year ended June 1, 1989.

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#90263c1549 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Computer Factory Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CFA. Trading was resumed at 14:08.

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#90263c1550 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
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KANEB SERVICES INC
KIRBY CORP

KINETIC CONCEPTS INC
QUAKER STATE CORP
K-V PHARMACEUTICAL CO
LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP
LONGS DRUG STORES INC
LODGISTIX INC
INTERLEAF INC
INTERLEAF INC
LEAK-X CORP
CONCORD CAMERA CORP
LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC
ELI LILLY & CO
LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP
LAMSON & SESSIONS CO
LOWE'S CO INC
LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC
LAM RESEARCH CORP
LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP
CATALINA LIGHTING INC
LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC
LUMEX INC
M/A-COM+INC
MAIL BOXES ETC
MID ATLANTIC MEDICAL SERVICES INC
MARCAM CORP
MCDONALD'S CORP
EMCON ASSOCIATES
MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP
MEDICORE INC
MCDERMOTT INTL INC

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#90263c1551 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
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MELLON BANK CORP

MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP
MICROFRAME INC
MIPS COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC
MORGAN KEEGAN INC
MERIDIAN BANCORP INC
MERCK & CO INC
MARIETTA CORP
MARITEK CORP
MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC
MELAMINE CHEMICALS INC
MYCOGEN CORP
MYERS IND INC
NATIONAL CITY BANCRP INC
NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS
NATIONAL DATA CORP
NELLCOR INC
NETWORK GENERAL CORP
NORTH LILY MINING CO
NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC
NEUROGEN CORP
NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP
NOVA CORP OF ALBERTA
NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC
OFFICE DEPOT INC
TRITON ENERGY CORP
OUTBOARD MARINE CORP
ONEITA IND INC
OREGON STEEL MILLS INC
OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC
OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP
OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP
PRATT HOTEL CORP
PHM CORP
PIC 'N' SAVE CORP
PRO-MED CAPITAL INC

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#90263c1552 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
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PENN ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING CORP
PANTHEON IND INC
POP RADIO CORP
QUEBECOR
PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP
PUBCO CORP
RADVA CORP
RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC
RLI CORP
RUSSELL CORP
RAC MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CORP
ROCKWELL INTL CORP
REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC
UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA
SIGNET BANKING CORP
STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO
SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC
SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP
STERLING ELECTRONIC CORP
SELECTONICS INC
SEAWAY FOOD TOWN INC
STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP
SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC
SFFED CORP
SILICON GRAPHICS INC
SAGE SOFTWARE INC
SHONEY'S INC
SAHARA RESORTS
SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC
SIXX HOLDINGS INC
SAFETY-KLEEN CORP
SCORE EXPLORATION CORP
SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC
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-30- 1434
#90263c1554 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - Due to a transmission error, duplicate Form 4 filings were released for a number of companies, including the following companies:

SOLITEC INC
SOMERSET GROUP INC
SONOCO PRODUCTS CO
SECURITY PACIFIC CORP
SUN SPORTSWEAR INC
STAMDARD OIL & EXPLORATION DE INC
STANHOME IND
ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC
STOP TELEVISION NETWORK INC
SAVIN CORP
SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC
SYM-TEK SYSTEMS INC
SYNTELLECT INC
SYNTRO CORP
TELEBIT CORP
TCF FINANCIAL CORP
T/SF COMMUNICATIONS CORP
TECHNE CORP
TEKTRONIX INC
TELECOM CORP
TERADYNE INC
TJX CO INC
THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC
TRANSMATION INC
TESORO PETROLEUM CORP

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-30- 1173
#90263c1555 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows First American Bancorp (TICKER: FASB) earned $3.78 million, or $1.72 per share for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $4.54 million, or $2.06 per share, in fiscal

1989.

-30- 430
#90263c1556 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows BGS Systems Inc.(TICKER: BGSS) earned $1.16 million, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $5.30 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $809,766, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $4.64 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 475
#90263c1557 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Piezo Electric Products Inc.(TICKER: PEPI) earned $127,156, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.01 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $13,264, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.08 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 506
#90263c1558 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Showcase Cosmetics Inc.(TICKER: LIPS) lost $30,847, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.14 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $43,987, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.09 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 475
#90263c1559 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Gyrodyne Company of America Inc.(TICKER: GYRO) earned $243,876, or $0.45 per share, on revenues of $343,324 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $118,147, or $0.22 per share, on reveneus of $308,627 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 486
#90263c1560 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Multi Soft Inc.(TICKER: MSOF) lost $55,971, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $758,831 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $408,187, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $330,885 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 469

#90263c1562 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Scorpion Technologies Inc.(TICKER: SCPN) lost $441,614, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $419,095 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $427,780, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $369,414 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480

#90263c1563 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Sprouse-Reitz Stores Inc.(TICKER: STRS) lost $869,123, or $0.60 per share, on revenues of $52.04 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $389,000, or $0.50 per share, on revenues of $50.62 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480

#90263c1564 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Design Corp.(TICKER: AMDC) lost $106,215, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $1.46 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $61,343, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.81 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 478

#90263c1565 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Informix Corp.(TICKER: IFMX) earned $2.43 million, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $44.03 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.11 million, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $33.61 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 493

#90263c1566 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Brendle's Inc.(TICKER: BRDL) lost $1.46 million, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $61.50 million for the quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1 million, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $53.42 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 470

#90263c1567 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows International Bankcard Services Corp.(TICKER: IBSC) lost $19,861, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $223,893 for the quarter ended July 31 1990.

This compares with a loss of $254,550, or $0.06 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

-30- 492

#90263c1568 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the NASD shows Energex Minerals Ltd.(TICKER: EGEX) lost $11.56 million (including an extraordinary loss of $7.07 million), or $0.43 per share, on revenues of $153,530 for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $440,743, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $289,302 in fiscal 1989.

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#90263c1570 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY TNI INC OWNS 3,790,389 SHARES (74.20%) OF NASTA INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: NAS) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90263c1571 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY TNI INC OWNS 3,790,389 SHARES (74.20%) OF NASTA INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: NAS) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 363
#90263c1572 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 19, 1990, Tyco announced that it has agreed to increase its tender offer to $1.25 per share and extended the offer until Oct. 3, 1990, and Tyco and Nasta (TICKER: NAS) have entered into a definitive merger agreement which was approved unanimously by the boards of both companies.

-30- 492
#90263c1574 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 32

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 19, 1990, Stahl responded in a press release to the claims of the chairman of Apple that he was refusing to automatically accept Apple's (TICKER: APK) concessions.

-30- 388
#90263c1575 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 40

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Stahl is filing as an exhibit his form 14D-1, amendment no. 32.

-30- 243
#90263c1576 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 45

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 19, 1990, Apple (TICKER: APK) responded to Stahl's reluctance to accept the concessions by Apple.

-30- 308
#90263c1577 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G.N. FIELDS OF NORTH 9 POST, SUITE 220, SPOKANE, WA 99201, HAS FILED TO SELL 180,000 SHARES OF GOLDEN STATE CAP CORP. THROUGH RAF FINANCIAL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(GOLDEN STATE CAP CORP. TEL: 619 259-0100)

-30- 416
#90263c1579 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.L. BECKEN OF 370 KELSON DR, ATLANTA, GA 30320, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 CLASS A SHARES OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. TEL: 404 827-1700)

-30- 446
#90263c1580 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K. OLIVER OF 41 S DEFRAME WAY, GOLDEN, CO 80401, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF SCHIELD MANAGEMENT CO. (TICKER: SMCC) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(SCHIELD MANAGEMENT CO. TEL: 303 985-9999)

-30- 419
#90263c1581 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E. BECKERMAN OF 4925 COLLINS AVE, MIAMI BCH, FL 33146, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF HOMECARE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: HMIS) THROUGH GRUNTAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

-30- 376
#90263c1582 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.R. EVANS OF 302 RIDGE CIRCLE, HOT SPRINGS, AR 71913, HAS FILED TO SELL 109,000 SHARES OF EVCO INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: EVCO) THROUGH ALPEN SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(EVCO INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 501 525-8414)

-30- 403
#90263c1583 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E.C. ROBERG OF 7524 BROOKLYN DR, BROOKLYN PARK, MN 55444, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,625 SHARES OF TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. THROUGH CRAIG-HALLUM INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. TEL: 612 545-1000)

-30- 406
#90263c1584 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.P. AGRON OF 6950 E BELLEVIEW AVE #201, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 500,000 SHARES OF HEAVENLY HOT DOGS INC. THROUGH RICHFIELD SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(HEAVENLY HOT DOGS INC. TEL: 813 945-2300)

-30- 421
#90263c1585 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. HALPERIN OF 15020 KITTRIDGE ST, VAN NUYS, CA 91405, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PINNACLE ASSOCIATES INC.(TICKER: PNNA) THROUGH SAN DIEGO SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(PINNACLE ASSOCIATES INC. TEL: 213 653-5544)

-30- 425
#90263c1587 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.B. KAMON OF 1304 AVENUE L, CISCO, TX 76437, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF HOUSTON OIL & ENERGY INC (TICKER: HOUE) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(HOUSTON OIL & ENERGY INC TEL: 817 442-2665)

-30- 424
#90263c1588 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P. HODGKINSON OF 3832 UPPER MOUNTAIN RD, SANBORN, NY 14132, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CAPTAIN TONY'S PIZZA INC.(TICKER: CTPI) THROUGH BRIGHTON SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(CAPTAIN TONY'S PIZZA INC. TEL: 716 467-2250)

-30- 439
#90263c1589 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D. FAGAN OF 320 INWOOD DR, ROCHESTER, NY 14625, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF CAPTAIN TONY'S PIZZA INC.(TICKER: CTPI) THROUGH BRIGHTON SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(CAPTAIN TONY'S PIZZA INC. TEL: 716 467-2250)

-30- 422
#90263c1590 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. MALAKER OF 330 SHORT DR, MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CRYODYNAMICS INC. THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(CRYODYNAMICS INC. TEL: 201 654-7700)

-30- 385
#90263c1591 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. MALAKER OF 330 SHORT DR, MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CRYODYNAMICS INC. THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(CRYODYNAMICS INC. TEL: 201 654-7700)

-30- 387
#90263c1592 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. MALAKER OF 330 SHORT DR, MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF CRYODYNAMICS INC. THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(CRYODYNAMICS INC. TEL: 201 654-7700)

-30- 385
#90263c1593 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.L. PILGER OF 5562 W FRENCH RD, JOHNSON CREEK, WI 53038, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF RUBIDELL RECREATION INC. THROUGH R J STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(RUBIDELL RECREATION INC. TEL: 414 723-6660)

-30- 419
#90263c1595 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL A CRANE OF 8 SHAWNEE TRAIL, ORMOND BCH, FL 32174, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 427

#90263c1596 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL A CRANE OF 8 SHAWNEE TRAIL, ORMOND BCH, FL 32174, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 427

#90263c1597 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID BLECH OF 599 LEXINGTON AVE, 41ST FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10222, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,777 SHARES OF CELGENE CORP. (TICKER: CELG) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(CELGENE CORP. TEL: 201 271-1001)

-30- 400

#90263c1598 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CZEGA MIKLOS WASS-DE OF 49-A DELAFIELD, ALBANY, NY 12205, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,000 SHARES OF MARROW-TECH INC. (TICKER: MARO) THROUGH PARAGON CAPITAL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(MARROW-TECH INC. TEL: 619 950-5729)

-30- 411

#90263c1599 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PATRICIA J JENSEN OF P O BOX 269, WESTTOWN, PA 19395, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI) THROUGH LEGG MASON WOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 688-1322)

-30- 444

#90263c1600 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G FELDA HARDYMON OF 22 NEW TON ST, WESTON, MA 02193, HAS FILED TO SELL

3,360 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 439
#90263c1601 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL SHELMAN OF 33 1/2 ESSEX ST, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,633 SHARES OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC) THROUGH STOCK CROSS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(DYNATECH CORP. TEL: 617 272-6100)

-30- 390
#90263c1603 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH K PAGANO OF P O BOX 7785, 0, ASPEN, CO 81612, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,500 SHARES OF METALCLAD CORP. (TICKER: MTLC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(METALCLAD CORP. TEL: 714 634-9050)

-30- 398
#90263c1604 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KEN KILMER OF 10837 N 34TH ST, PHOENIX, AZ 85028, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS & RADIO INC (TICKER: VCRI) THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS & RADIO INC TEL: 307 686-9348)

-30- 448
#90263c1605 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEO KIM OF 2939 GAVIOTA PLACE, CARLBAD, CA 92009, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,632 SHARES OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(MYCOGEN CORP TEL: 619 453-8030)

-30- 376
#90263c1606 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALEX T WARMATH OF 7070 S MAGNOLIA CIRLCE, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112, HAS FILED TO SELL 318,706 SHARES OF ENERGETICS INC. (TICKER: EJTX) THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(ENERGETICS INC. TEL: 303 220-9588)

-30- 414
#90263c1607 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID C TJOSVOLD OF 10700 ZIEGLERS DR, BROOKLYN PARK, MN 55441, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF YUKON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: YUKN) THROUGH HAYNE MILLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(YUKON ENERGY CORP. TEL: 612 633-3115)

-30- 415
#90263c1608 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOI P TUEN OF 1001 MURRY RIDGE DR, MURRYSVILLE, PA 15668, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,400 SHARES OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP) THROUGH PARKER/HUNTER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(RESPIRONICS INC. TEL: 412 373-8114)

-30- 400
#90263c1609 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T ALLAN MCARTOR OF 5895 GARDEN RIVER COVE, MEMPHIS, TN 38119, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. TEL: 901 395-3382)

-30- 426
#90263c1611 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - JOHN G PACEY OF 1201 HAWKINS WAY, PEBBLE BCH, CA 93953, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 275-1444)

-30- 408
#90263c1612 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN H SLADE OF 245 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10167, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,001 SHARES OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. TEL: 212 272-2000)

-30- 428
#90263c1613 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE E STEINBERG OF 2200 ONE GALLERIA TOWER, 13355 NOEL RD LB 48, DALLAS, TX 75240, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF UNITED MEDICORP INC. (TICKER: UMCI) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(UNITED MEDICORP INC. TEL: 214 691-2140)

-30- 459
#90263c1614 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES L TUCKER OF 5405 LAKE TRAIL CT, 0, SAN ANGELO, TX 76904, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF TUCKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: TUCK) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(TUCKER DRILLING CO. TEL: 915 655-6773)

-30- 420
#90263c1615 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFF FISHMAN OF 2122 HUBBARD ST, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84108, HAS FILED TO

SELL 30,000 SHARES OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. TEL: 801 532-7526)

-30- 419
#90263c1616 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERIK G PETTERSEN OF 45 STOCKMAR DR, BASKING RIDGE, NJ 07922, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,667 SHARES OF CELGENE CORP. (TICKER: CELG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(CELGENE CORP. TEL: 201 271-1001)

-30- 406
#90263c1617 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E MCWILLIAMS OF 13415 KIMBERLY, HOUSTON, TX 77079, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ROWAN COS. (TICKER: RDC) THROUGH BHC SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(ROWAN COS. TEL: 713 621-7800)

-30- 387
#90263c1619 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD L HANSON OF 6233 KELVIN AVE, STILLWATER, MN 55082, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF METROPOLITAN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: MFC) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(METROPOLITAN FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 701 293-2600)

-30- 439
#90263c1620 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E TALBOT BRIDDELL OF 80 MENDENBALL DR, GLEN MILLS, PA 19342, HAS FILED TO SELL 123,500 SHARES OF THT INC. (TICKER: TXHI) THROUGH HANIFEN & IMHOFF INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(THT INC. TEL: 201 624-6364)

-30- 393
#90263c1621 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHERMAN T MAYNE OF ROUTE 2 BOX 35, GOLD HILL, NC 28071, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,000 SHARES OF RADIATION DISPOSAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RDIS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(RADIATION DISPOSAL SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 704 527-6406)

-30- 454
#90263c1622 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RODGER E KOLSKY OF 1909 EVVA DR, SCHENECTADY, NY 12303, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MARROW-TECH INC. (TICKER: MARO) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(MARROW-TECH INC. TEL: 914 347-2730)

-30- 404
#90263c1623 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT S WOLFF OF 1570 HAWTHORNE HILLS, ADA, MI 49301, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE INC. (TICKER: WWW) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE INC. TEL: 616 866-5500)

-30- 424
#90263c1624 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR J KREMER OF 500 EAST 77TH ST, APT 1926, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 52,435 SHARES OF NOISE CANCELLATION TECHNOLOGIES (TICKER: NCTI) THROUGH AEGIS CAPITAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(NOISE CANCELLATION TECHNOLOGIES TEL: 301 381-0500)

-30- 461
#90263c1625 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L SMITHSON OF 12958 LIMBERLOST RD, CARMEL, IN 46032, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF HARRIS (PAUL) STORES INC. (TICKER: PHRS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(HARRIS (PAUL) STORES INC. TEL: 317 298-6748)

-30- 438
#90263c1627 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT W HUMES OF 121 HAINES DRIVE, MOORESTOWN, NJ 08057, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,000 SHARES OF SCIENCE DYNAMICS CORP. (TICKER: SIDY) THROUGH HERZOG HEINE GEDULD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(SCIENCE DYNAMICS CORP. TEL: 609 424-0068)

-30- 425
#90263c1628 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GENESIS INVESTMENT CORP OF 111 GREAT NECK RD, GREAT NECK, NY 11022, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF MULTIVEST CORP. (TICKER: MVST) THROUGH AMERN TRADING & INVTMT. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(MULTIVEST CORP. TEL: 212 269-1280)

-30- 425
#90263c1629 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NATHAN NEWMAN OF 2110 AUSTRIAN PN LANE, 0, MINNETONKA, MN 55343, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF QUARTZ INC. (TICKER: QURZ) THROUGH EQUITY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(QUARTZ INC. TEL: 612 472-5545)

-30- 392
#90263c1630 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B LAMAR BALL OF P O BOX 100, DENTON, TX 76202, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,499 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE

FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 385
#90263c1631 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLAN JOSLYN OF 16653 YAKIMA ST NW, 0, ANOKA, MN 55304, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF QUARTZ INC. (TICKER: QURZ) THROUGH EQUITY SECS TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(QUARTZ INC. TEL: 612 472-5545)

-30- 389
#90263c1632 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN F GLASER OF 8475 CAMARGO CLUB, CINCINNATI, OH 45243, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS) THROUGH REYNOLDS DEWITT SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. TEL: 614 833-9155)

-30- 441
#90263c1633 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TIMOTHY R FORSBERG OF 136 PINE RIDGE RD, 0, ESKO, MN 55733, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF QUARTZ INC. (TICKER: QURZ) THROUGH EQUITY SECS TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 14, 1990.

(QUARTZ INC. TEL: 612 472-5545)

-30- 397
#90263c1635 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT W SANDERS OF 412 HARRISON AVE, HIGHLAND PARK, NJ 08904, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,010 SHARES OF WELDOTRON CORP. (TICKER: WLD) THROUGH QUICK & REILLY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(WELDOTRON CORP. TEL: 201 968-9404)

-30- 404
#90263c1636 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HEINRICH KANDEL OF 4858 MARBELLA RD S, WEST PALM BCH, FL 33417, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF THE MILLS-JENNINGS CO. (TICKER: JKPT) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(THE MILLS-JENNINGS CO. TEL: 702 827-8110)

-30- 426
#90263c1637 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM H FEICHTMANN OF 17465 RINGEL DR,
MORGAN HIOL LL, CA 95037, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF SILVAR-LISCO (TICKER: SVRL) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(SILVAR-LISCO TEL: 408 991-6081)

-30- 418
#90263c1638 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN J OLSEN OF 260 WALNUT, RIALTO, CA 92376, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,275 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH WEDBUSH MORGAN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 417
#90263c1639 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD P GILLAN OF 7639 ROLLING ACRES, DALLAS, TX 75248, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,776 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 389
#90263c1640 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - DAVID GARDNER OF 26 S PENNSYLVANNIA AVE, ATLANTIC CITY, NJ 08401, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,800 SHARES OF DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DRUG) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 609 228-8500)

-30- 445
#90263c1641 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BNAI ISRAEL TEMPLE OF 1685 SOUTH BELCHER RD, CLEARWATER, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MSYS) THROUGH SILVER GRAY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 19, 1990.

(MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 813 576-6311)

-30- 460
#90263c1643 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARSHALL KENT JEWISH CENTER INC OF 1955 VIRGINIA ST, CLEARWATER, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MSYS) THROUGH SILVER GRAY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 19, 1990.

(MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 813 576-6311)

-30- 486
#90263c1644 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GOLDA MEIR CENTER OF 302 JUPITER AVE S, CLEARWATER, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MSYS) THROUGH SILVER GRAY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 19, 1990.

(MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 813 576-6311)

-30- 461
#90263c1645 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HUGH E BEATTY OF 29051 PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY, MALIBU, CA 90265, HAS

FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF LOGICON INC. (TICKER: LGN) THROUGH FIRST INTERSTATE BRKG. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 19, 1990.

(LOGICON INC. TEL: 213 373-0220)

-30- 402
#90263c1646 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVESTMENTS CHESTERFIELD OF 2049 CENTURY PARK E, 39TH FLOOR, LOS ANGELES CA 90067, HAS FILED TO SELL 208,312 SHARES OF TUBOSCOPE CORP. (TICKER: TUBO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 19, 1990.

(TUBOSCOPE CORP. TEL: 713 799-5100)

-30- 434
#90263c1647 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAW OFFICE DONOGHUE OF 120 MCDONALD, MIDLAND, MI 48640, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. (TICKER: PMCX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 19, 1990.

(POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. TEL: 517 790-4764)

-30- 417
#90263c1648 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRY W DANKERS JR OF P O BOX 754, MONTGOMERY, TX 77356, HAS FILED TO SELL 51,000 SHARES OF VIKING OFFICE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: VKNG) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 19, 1990.

(VIKING OFFICE PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 213 321-4493)

-30- 430
#90263c1649 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCHEY WALTER M TTEE OF 3366 N TORREY PINES CT STE 220, LA JOLLA, CA 92037, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF SGI INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SGII) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 18, 1990.

(SGI INTERNATIONAL TEL: 619 452-0841)

-30- 430
#90263c1651 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BERNARD J LACROUTE OF 12832 STAR RIDGE CT, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 28,883 SHARES OF SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC (TICKER: SUNW) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 18, 1990.

(SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC TEL: 415 960-1300)

-30- 427
#90263c1652 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OREST J BEDRIJ OF 388 NORTH OCEAN AVE, SUITE 5A, N LONG BRANCH, NJ 07740 HAS FILED TO SELL 147,000 SHARES OF PROFIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: PRTE) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 18, 1990.

(PROFIT TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 212 809-3500)

-30- 439
#90263c1653 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHRISTOPHER DEAN OF 700 PARKER AVE, DETROIT, MI 48214, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF ENDOTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ENDO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(ENDOTRONICS INC. TEL: 612 786-0302)

-30- 399
#90263c1654 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS S STELLINGER OF 846 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, NORWOOD, MA 02062, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. TEL: 617 551-4000)

-30- 447
#90263c1655 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - NETTIE M GORDON OF RT #2, P O BOX 1402, LANCASTER, VA 22503, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,310 SHARES OF VIRGINIA FIRST SVGS BANKS FSB (TICKER: VFSB) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(VIRGINIA FIRST SVGS BANKS FSB TEL: 804 748-5847)

-30- 451
#90263c1656 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RIVERSIDE BANK OF 10 2ND ST NE, SUITE 200, MINEAPOLIS, MN 55413, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED MONITORING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AMSI) THROUGH SUMMIT INVSTMNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(ADVANCED MONITORING SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 303 429-9791)

-30- 467
#90263c1657 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J D KISH OF 6909 S HOLLY CIRLCE, SUITE 330, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII) THROUGH ASPEN CAP GROUP INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(RYAN-MURPHY INC. TEL: 303 293-3835)

-30- 412
#90263c1659 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN EISENBACH OF 455 BARELL AVE, P O BOX 158, CARLSTADT, NJ 07072, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(CLIFF ENGLE LTD. TEL: 201 507-0033)

-30- 425
#90263c1660 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BARRY SCHULLER OF 1320 CLUB CIRCLE, DALLAS, TX 75208, HAS FILED TO SELL

8,343 SHARES OF SUN COAST PLASTICS INC. (TICKER: SUNI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(SUN COAST PLASTICS INC. TEL: 214 330-8671)

-30- 427
#90263c1661 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT B KAMON OF 1304 AVE L, P O BOX 1629, CISCO, TX 76437, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,689 SHARES OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN (TICKER: GTRO) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN TEL: 817 442-2665)

-30- 464
#90263c1662 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VOLT INFORMATION SCIENCES INC OF 101 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10178, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,255 SHARES OF CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC. (TICKER: CAMP) THROUGH CANTOR FITZGERALD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC. TEL: 805 987-9000)

-30- 460
#90263c1663 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HELEN C CUTLER OF 235 SAN JUAN DR, PONTE VEDRA BCH, FL 32082, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF PHOENIX ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: PATI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(PHOENIX ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 904 372-9585)

-30- 453
#90263c1664 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT W HUMES OF 121 HAINES DRIVE, MOORESTOWN, NJ 08057, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF SCIENCE DYNAMICS CORP. (TICKER: SIDY) THROUGH HERZOG HEINE GEDULD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(SCIENCE DYNAMICS CORP. TEL: 609 424-0068)

-30- 423
#90263c1665 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE S WAXMAN OF 25085 PENSHURST, BEACHWOOD, OH 44122, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF WAXMAN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WAX) THROUGH PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(WAXMAN INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 216 439-1830)

-30- 417
#90263c1667 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN M CUTLER OF 235 SAN JUAN DR, PONTE VEDRA BCH, FL 32082, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF PHOENIX ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: PATI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(PHOENIX ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 904 372-9585)

-30- 452
#90263c1668 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH SMITH OF 854 NORTH LANCEWOOD, RIALTO, CA 92376, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,250 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH WEDBUSH MORGAN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 424
#90263c1669 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR STRACHMAN OF 20 BROCKMEYER DR, MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,000 SHARES OF ASDAR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ASDR) THROUGH REDSTONE SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(ASDAR GROUP INC. TEL: 702 739-7880)

-30- 410

#90263c1670 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 6,145 SHARES AT $2.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 295

#90263c1671 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 295

#90263c1672 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,598,330.

-30- 338

#90263c1673 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 3,917 SHARES AT $1.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,489.

-30- 334

#90263c1675 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT K LANDON, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 376,846.

-30- 361

#90263c1676 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HORNBY TRADING INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90263c1677 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, BERNICE E LAVIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,063,712.

-30- 346
#90263c1678 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, LEONARD H LAVIN, CHAIRMAN OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 644,770.

-30- 325
#90263c1679 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c1680 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c1681 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c1683 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c1684 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90263c1685 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c1686 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,842,299.

-30- 343
#90263c1687 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MAX BOTEL, DIR. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 292
#90263c1688 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DEBORAH A DOVE, OFFICER OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90263c1689 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DEBORAH A DOVE, OFFICER OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90263c1691 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RICHARD A GREENAWALT, PRES. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 1,675 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,054.

-30- 317
#90263c1692 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ANDREW D STEINER, DIR. OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,000.

-30- 305
#90263c1693 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT GLENN TOINTON, DIR. OF AFFILIATED BANKSHARES OF COLORADO INC. (TICKER: AFBK), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 240,000.

-30- 366
#90263c1694 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ROBERT C BISHOP, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,602.

-30- 330
#90263c1695 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD W ULMER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,588.

-30- 328
#90263c1696 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT J BARTZOKAS, VP OF AMERADA HESS CORP. (TICKER: AHC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $51.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,298.

-30- 315
#90263c1697 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, ANTHONY R WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90263c1699 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, ANTHONY R WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90263c1700 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WALKER E BLOUNT JR, DIR. OF ALICO INC. (TICKER: ALCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90263c1701 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WALKER E BLOUNT JR, DIR. OF ALICO INC. (TICKER: ALCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 298
#90263c1702 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, GORDON W BENTLEY, OFFICER OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER: ALOT), SOLD 1,253 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90263c1703 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, HERMANN VIETS, DIR. OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER: ALOT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 298
#90263c1704 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $11.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90263c1705 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, THOMAS P THOMAS, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90263c1707 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT D WEIST, SHAREHOLDER OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101,970.

-30- 315
#90263c1708 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM F BRANDT JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN WOODMARK CORP. (TICKER: AMWD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,933,889.

-30- 378
#90263c1709 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90263c1710 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90263c1711 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90263c1712 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90263c1713 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90263c1715 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90263c1716 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,645.

-30- 295
#90263c1717 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1718 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1719 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90263c1720 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1721 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 29, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 340
#90263c1723 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1724 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1725 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1726 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1727 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1728 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1729 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c1731 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,400.

-30- 341
#90263c1732 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN A CRICHTON, DIR. OF ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. (TICKER: ARSD), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 194,546.

-30- 344
#90263c1733 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JOHN A CHMURA, VP OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90263c1734 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN A CHMURA, VP OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 292
#90263c1735 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, PHILIP J FOX, OFFICER OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 299

#90263c1736 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270

#90263c1737 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 308

#90263c1739 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CLIFFORD H TUTTLE JR, CHAIRMAN OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 314

#90263c1740 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, KENNETH F YONTZ, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 301

#90263c1741 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317

#90263c1742 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90263c1743 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90263c1744 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90263c1745 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 1,638 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,348,635.

-30- 358
#90263c1747 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 16, 1990, WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), SOLD 2,600 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 923,517.

-30- 378
#90263c1748 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90263c1749 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST

AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90263c1750 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90263c1751 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90263c1752 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90263c1753 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90263c1755 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90263c1756 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST

AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90263c1757 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90263c1758 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90263c1759 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90263c1760 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90263c1761 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ANSETT TRANSPORT INDS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90263c1763 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.

(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c1764 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c1765 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c1766 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c1767 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c1768 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c1769 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.

(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c1771 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c1772 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c1773 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c1774 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c1775 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.
(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c1776 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC.

(TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c1777 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NEWS CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 338
#90263c1779 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1780 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1781 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c1782 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1783 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1784 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1785 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1787 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c1788 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1789 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1790 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1791 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c1792 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 331
#90263c1793 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90263c1795 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90263c1796 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90263c1797 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90263c1798 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90263c1799 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90263c1800 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90263c1801 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90263c1803 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90263c1804 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90263c1805 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90263c1806 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90263c1807 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TRANSPACIFIC ENTERPRISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,837,054.

-30- 364
#90263c1808 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HARRIET BENSON, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $43.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,005.

-30- 286
#90263c1809 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PIETER P BONSEN, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $44.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,981.

-30- 292
#90263c1811 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GARY S LYMAN, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $45.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,289.

-30- 285
#90263c1812 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JANE E SHAW, PRES. OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 37,978 SHARES AT $45.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 292
#90263c1813 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JANE E SHAW, PRES. OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $44.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,106.

-30- 287
#90263c1814 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90263c1815 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90263c1816 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90263c1817 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90263c1819 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 446,228.

-30- 315
#90263c1820 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DARNELL MARTIN, VP OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 1,155 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,638.

-30- 311
#90263c1821 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WALTER H ALFORD, DIR. OF BARNETT BANKS INC. (TICKER: BBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 315
#90263c1822 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 1,143 SHARES AT $7.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90263c1823 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 1,143 SHARES AT $7.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 806,987.

-30- 324
#90263c1824 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HAROLD W KOSTEN, OFFICER OF BALDOR ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: BEZ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90263c1825 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HAROLD W KOSTEN, OFFICER OF BALDOR ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: BEZ), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,148.

-30- 324
#90263c1827 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 282,750.

-30- 346
#90263c1828 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 282,750.

-30- 343
#90263c1829 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 286,000.

-30- 361
#90263c1830 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 7,279 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90263c1831 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM J ARMANINO, PRES. OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE), SOLD 233,000 SHARES AT $0.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,943,924.

-30- 354
#90263c1832 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90263c1833 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90263c1835 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,209,225.

-30- 328
#90263c1836 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c1837 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c1838 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 29,800 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 588,475.

-30- 328
#90263c1839 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c1840 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1841 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c1843 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 31,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1844 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,959,100.

-30- 335
#90263c1845 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JAMES O WRIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF BADGER METER INC. (TICKER: BMI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.49 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 318
#90263c1846 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOR W KONWIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 87,214 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,285.

-30- 371
#90263c1847 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DONALD C UKKESTAD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 87,214 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,285.

-30- 377
#90263c1848 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, THOMAS E WINTER, DIR. OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), SOLD 100,103 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 861,171.

-30- 327
#90263c1849 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1851 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $2.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1852 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1853 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1854 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1855 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1856 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1857 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, D CHARLES ANDREWS, BEN. OWNER OF BOSTON DIGITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOST), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1859 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 19, 1990, ROBERT A KEEGAN, VP OF BONNEVILLE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: BPCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c1860 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $11.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c1861 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c1862 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c1863 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 84,100.

-30- 336
#90263c1864 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 187 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90263c1865 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 937 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90263c1867 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90263c1868 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90263c1869 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313

#90263c1870 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90263c1871 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90263c1872 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90263c1873 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90263c1875 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 487 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90263c1876 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 3,637 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313

#90263c1877 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 1,650 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90263c1878 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 225 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90263c1879 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 698 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,406,384.

-30- 352
#90263c1880 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, MICHAEL MINIKES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90263c1881 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, UZI ZUCKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90263c1883 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c1884 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c1885 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ADAM BLUMENFELD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 22,700 SHARES AT $5.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 161,419.

-30- 327
#90263c1886 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90263c1887 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90263c1888 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90263c1889 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,925 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90263c1891 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90263c1892 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90263c1893 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90263c1894 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90263c1895 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90263c1896 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,752,947.

-30- 362
#90263c1897 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JEFFREY J SHEARER, VP OF BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: BV), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 219,664.

-30- 338
#90263c1899 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NATHAN SHAPIRO, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,250.

-30- 351
#90263c1900 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT SHAPIRO, BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,400.

-30- 329
#90263c1901 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT SHAPIRO, BEN. OWNER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 117,000.

-30- 333
#90263c1902 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, SHERWOOD J TARLOW, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c1903 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SHERWOOD J TARLOW, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB), SOLD 16,656 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,822.

-30- 330
#90263c1904 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROGER LEE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAESARS WORLD INC. (TICKER: CAW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,000.

-30- 327
#90263c1905 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c1907 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBAM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,194.

-30- 330
#90263c1908 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ALAN PARSOW, DIR. OF CAMPBELL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CCH), SOLD 10,850 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,536.

-30- 321
#90263c1909 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, GEORGE KERN, OFFICER OF CONTEL CELLULAR INC. (TICKER: CCXL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

3,000.

-30- 316
#90263c1910 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $27.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90263c1911 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDNC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 393,137.

-30- 342
#90263c1912 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c1913 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c1915 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c1916 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c1917 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c1918 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,700 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c1919 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c1920 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,500.

-30- 317
#90263c1921 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CHARLES T CONDY, SHAREHOLDER OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c1923 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 15, 1988, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 7,407 SHARES AT $3.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,738,764.

-30- 328
#90263c1924 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1989, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 4,332 SHARES AT $3.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,433,279.

-30- 328
#90263c1925 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 24, 1989, CHARLES T CONDY, CHAIRMAN OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,466 SHARES AT $3.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,759,401.

-30- 328
#90263c1926 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c1927 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c1928 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 28, 1990, ROBERT B BARNARD, OFFICER OF CENTURI INC. (TICKER: CENT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,040.

-30- 310
#90263c1929 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN E GRONINGER, DIR. OF CONSUMERS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,837.

-30- 331
#90263c1931 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PETER T MAHER, DIR. OF COMFED BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 311
#90263c1932 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT C BURGESS, DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 305
#90263c1933 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JAMES W CLARK, OFFICER OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,250.

-30- 314
#90263c1934 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WILLIAM W GASTON, DIR. OF GOLDEN POULTRY CO. (TICKER: CHIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,357.

-30- 316
#90263c1935 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90263c1936 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90263c1937 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,550.

-30- 334
#90263c1939 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 331
#90263c1940 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, ALLAN S HOLDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $12.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,940.

-30- 350
#90263c1941 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM R KUNTZ JR, VP OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287

#90263c1942 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLIAM R KUNTZ JR, VP OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,835.

-30- 324
#90263c1943 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ARTHUR J NAGLE, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,000.

-30- 324
#90263c1944 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90263c1945 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90263c1947 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1989, HERBERT C PELL III, DIR. OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE), BOUGHT 54,904 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,904.

-30- 342
#90263c1948 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MICHAEL L DOWLING, DIR. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 2,325 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c1949 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, GOLDEN OIL CO, BEN. OWNER OF COBB RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: COBB), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,006,603.

-30- 336
#90263c1950 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WESLEY J BAHR, DIR. OF COLLECTIVE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: COFD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 312
#90263c1951 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CHARLES J MOHR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90263c1952 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES J MOHR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,121.

-30- 339
#90263c1953 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ARTHUR O STERN, OFFICER OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,558.

-30- 322
#90263c1955 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ARTHUR C BASS, PRES. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), SOLD 69,053 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,947.

-30- 323
#90263c1956 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES A STEINBACK, BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 12,600 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c1957 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES A STEINBACK, BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 556,800.

-30- 320
#90263c1958 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, EVA D PEREZ, OFFICER OF CARE PLUS INC. (TICKER: CPLS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90263c1959 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EVA D PEREZ, OFFICER OF CARE PLUS INC. (TICKER: CPLS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90263c1960 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274

#90263c1961 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90263c1963 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90263c1964 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90263c1965 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90263c1966 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,544,962.

-30- 315
#90263c1967 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GREGORY E PETSCH, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 18,600 SHARES AT $55.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90263c1968 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, GREGORY E PETSCH, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 6,200 SHARES AT $55.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90263c1969 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 850 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90263c1971 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $52.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90263c1972 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $52.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90263c1973 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM M RAMSEY, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 172 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90263c1974 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BENJAMIN M ROSEN, DIR. OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,244.

-30- 321
#90263c1975 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LOUART CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF CERTRON CORP. (TICKER: CRTN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90263c1976 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, LOUART CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF CERTRON CORP. (TICKER: CRTN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,125,200.

-30- 315
#90263c1977 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, SANDRA A KNELL, OFFICER OF COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: CRV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c1979 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MICHAEL M TOMIC, DIR. OF CHAMPIONS SPORTS INC. (TICKER: CSBR), SOLD 750,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,979,999.

-30- 340
#90263c1980 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ROBERT G SWEIFACH, DIR. OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,000.

-30- 318
#90263c1981 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, PAUL W CHRISTENSEN JR, DIR. OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,001.

-30- 330
#90263c1982 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, WILLIAM A FRIEDLANDER, DIR. OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,101.

-30- 328
#90263c1983 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HARVEY A BOOKSTEIN, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,000.

-30- 322
#90263c1984 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 67,700 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1985 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90263c1987 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 276

#90263c1988 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 105,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 396,900.

-30- 321
#90263c1989 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GERALD J MALYS, VP OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), SOLD 1,156 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 306
#90263c1990 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1991 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90263c1992 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90263c1993 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1995 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c1996 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, BURTON S HORWITCH, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,229.

-30- 318
#90263c1997 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1989, EDWARD R FUNK, CHAIRMAN OF DANNINGER MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: DANN), BOUGHT 10,430 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90263c1998 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c1999 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c2000 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RICHARD E GREENE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,390,900.

-30- 339
#90263c2001 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, BRENTON S HALSEY, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c2003 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, A GILFILLAN GRAEME, DIR. OF DYNASTY CLASSICS CORP. (TICKER: DNST), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 320
#90263c2004 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90263c2005 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90263c2006 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM R JELLISON, OFFICER OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 314
#90263c2007 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL G KALMAN, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90263c2008 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, PAUL G KALMAN, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,610.

-30- 291
#90263c2009 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES A KNISTER, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90263c2011 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, TIMOTHY J FRETTHOLD, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,855.

-30- 343
#90263c2012 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROGER R HEMMINGHAUS, CHAIRMAN OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2013 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROGER R HEMMINGHAUS, CHAIRMAN OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,432.

-30- 333
#90263c2014 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, A W O'DONNELL, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,606.

-30- 337
#90263c2015 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, J E PRATER, DIV. OFFICER OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,056.

-30- 331
#90263c2016 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HARRY D WRIGHT, VP OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK INC. (TICKER: DRM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,116.

-30- 315
#90263c2017 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $5.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c2019 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.39 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90263c2020 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $5.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,448,716.

-30- 337
#90263c2021 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN D ZAHARSON, VP OF DOWNEY SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOC. (TICKER: DSL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,775.

-30- 349
#90263c2022 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90263c2023 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90263c2024 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM M JORDAN, VP OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,700.

-30- 296
#90263c2025 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GREGORY L SMITH, OFFICER OF THE DURIRON CO. (TICKER: DURI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90263c2027 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER:

DVH), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90263c2028 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c2029 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c2030 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 4,800 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90263c2031 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 431,750.

-30- 317
#90263c2032 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90263c2033 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL),

SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90263c2035 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RUSSELL E PLANITZER, DIR. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 257,415.

-30- 307
#90263c2036 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM E S CHRISTIANSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EQUIPMENT CO. OF AMERICA (TICKER: ECOA), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 402,708.

-30- 367
#90263c2037 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 999,999 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90263c2038 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90263c2039 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 567,000 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90263c2040 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90263c2041 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MESA LTD PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), SOLD 340 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000,000.

-30- 341
#90263c2043 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 2,782,494 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c2044 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 605,006 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c2045 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $3.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c2046 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,434,500.

-30- 329
#90263c2047 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CAROLYN J TOBIAS, VP OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS), SOLD 6,250 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90263c2048 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HARVIE M MERRILL, DIR. OF FIBREBOARD CORP. (TICKER: FBD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 309
#90263c2049 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,750.

-30- 321
#90263c2051 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1989, VINCENT W DEAN, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,550.

-30- 317
#90263c2052 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT G JONES, DIR. OF SANIFILL INC. (TICKER: FIL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 300
#90263c2053 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, BEN A VALOCCHI, DIR. OF FLAGSHIP FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FLGF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 325
#90263c2054 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 19, 1990, CLARK H MASTERS, VP OF FLOATING POINT SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FLP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,700.

-30- 324
#90263c2055 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GREGORY G BALDWIN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2056 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GREGORY G BALDWIN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,756.

-30- 343
#90263c2057 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, J BOYD BERT JR, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 845.

-30- 331
#90263c2059 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 6,077 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 336.

-30- 298
#90263c2060 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,781.

-30- 304
#90263c2061 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, KATHERINE AUGUST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 234 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90263c2062 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, KATHERINE AUGUST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,500.

-30- 354
#90263c2063 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c2064 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c2065 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c2067 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FARLEY INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), SOLD 3,750,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,250,000.

-30- 330
#90263c2068 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THOMAS J DIETZ, VP OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c2069 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, THOMAS J DIETZ, VP OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,233.

-30- 330
#90263c2070 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HOWARD H HAWORTH, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 18,900 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,469.

-30- 317
#90263c2071 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JAMES R LEE, VP OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90263c2072 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, KENNETH G STANCLIFF, OFFICER OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,621.

-30- 324
#90263c2073 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ANITA L WALLGREN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CO. (TICKER: GACC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,005.

-30- 340
#90263c2075 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $52.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2076 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $51.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2077 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,114,100.

-30- 345
#90263c2078 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOHN J LOUIS JR, DIR. OF GANNETT CO. (TICKER: GCI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800,538.

-30- 299
#90263c2079 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, NEAL A DEGERSTROM, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: GDEX), BOUGHT 910,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,393,988.

-30- 340
#90263c2080 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, VICTOR POSNER, BEN. OWNER OF GUILFORD MILLS INC. (TICKER: GFD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 960,000.

-30- 327
#90263c2081 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, FREDERICK D BERKELEY, CHAIRMAN OF GRAHAM CORP. (TICKER: GHM), SOLD 21,505 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 173,052.

-30- 318
#90263c2083 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c2084 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c2085 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 989 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288

#90263c2086 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c2087 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c2088 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,625.

-30- 331
#90263c2089 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT M FRIEDLAND, DIR. OF GALACTIC RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: GLC), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $3.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,000.

-30- 335
#90263c2091 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, FRED HELLER, CHAIRMAN OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c2092 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, FRED HELLER, CHAIRMAN OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175,840.

-30- 317
#90263c2093 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ARMAND NOSSEN, VP OF GREENMAN BROTHERS INC. (TICKER: GMN), SOLD 1,709 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,250.

-30- 309
#90263c2094 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90263c2095 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90263c2096 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90263c2097 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 6,800 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,600.

-30- 317
#90263c2099 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE

ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90263c2100 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 30,076 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 905,113.

-30- 370
#90263c2101 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EDWIN G GENERES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GTS CORP. (TICKER: GTSC), SOLD 26,400 SHARES AT $5.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,200.

-30- 321
#90263c2102 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RESEARCH INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF GREATER WASHINGTON INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: GWA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 136,200.

-30- 363
#90263c2103 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JACKIE R SKINNER, SHAREHOLDER OF HALLIBURTON CO. (TICKER: HAL), SOLD 1,003 SHARES AT $55.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,188.

-30- 323
#90263c2104 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750,000.

-30- 332
#90263c2105 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, DAVID S LAWI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,000.

-30- 331
#90263c2107 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90263c2108 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90263c2109 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90263c2110 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,939.

-30- 299
#90263c2111 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c2112 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c2113 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOSEPH F LIMONGELLI, DIR. OF HALSEY DRUG INC. (TICKER: HDG), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90263c2115 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES M BROSTOWITZ, VP OF HARLEY-DAVIDSON INC. (TICKER: HDI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,886.

-30- 320
#90263c2116 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90263c2117 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1988, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 411,500.

-30- 306
#90263c2118 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 31, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 28,000 SHARES AT $1.89 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 710,000.

-30- 304
#90263c2119 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 23, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 303
#90263c2120 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 54,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90263c2121 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 09, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90263c2123 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $2.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 468,750.

-30- 304
#90263c2124 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1989, JOHN R WARD, CHAIRMAN OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 14,750 SHARES AT $0.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 957,284.

-30- 304
#90263c2125 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 22, 1988, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90263c2126 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 23, 1988, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 704,750.

-30- 302
#90263c2127 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 138,000 SHARES AT $2.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,500.

-30- 304
#90263c2128 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 04, 1990, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 853,052.

-30- 302
#90263c2129 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 359,083 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 493,969.

-30- 304
#90263c2131 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 17, 1989, THOMAS E WEBER, PRES. OF DATAMAG INC. (TICKER: DMAG), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90263c2132 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CHARLES E HARRIS, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2133 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, CHARLES E HARRIS, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 539,724.

-30- 340
#90263c2134 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WILLIAM R POLK, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c2135 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM R POLK, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,000.

-30- 327
#90263c2136 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PHILIP M SKIDMORE, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,500.

-30- 333
#90263c2137 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PATRICK W HOPPER, DIR. OF HEALTH INSURANCE OF VERMONT, INC (TICKER: HIVT), BOUGHT 3,053 SHARES AT $7.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 134,686.

-30- 345
#90263c2139 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 16, 1990, MICHAEL MARGOLIES, CHAIRMAN OF HOLLAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOLL), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,800,987.

-30- 334
#90263c2140 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, LARRY D HORNBECK, CHAIRMAN OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HOSS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 257,710.

-30- 344
#90263c2141 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN L SILVA, OFFICER OF HOME PORT BANCORP INC. (TICKER: HPBC), SOLD 3,800 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90263c2142 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RICHARD W SCHULZE, VP OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,539.

-30- 323
#90263c2143 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOHN R TEITGEN, VP OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,300.

-30- 320
#90263c2144 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF HYDE ATHLETIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HYDE), BOUGHT 3,192 SHARES AT $3.92 PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 310,500.

-30- 349
#90263c2145 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RICHARD L BARKHURST, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP. (TICKER: I), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 350
#90263c2147 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90263c2148 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90263c2149 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90263c2150 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90263c2151 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90263c2152 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90263c2153 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DALE W PHILLIPS, VP OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL CORP. (TICKER: ICRR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,649.

-30- 320
#90263c2155 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2156 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2157 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 115,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90263c2158 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2159 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2160 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2161 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c2163 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2164 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2165 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2166 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2167 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2168 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2169 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2171 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,519,979.

-30- 345
#90263c2172 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2173 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2174 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c2175 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2176 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c2177 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, ALAN H HUGGINS, VP OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,450 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90263c2179 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, WILLIAM D ALLEN, VP OF INDUSTRIAL FUNDING CORP. (TICKER: IFDC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 318
#90263c2180 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN C APPEL, VP OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,135.

-30- 337
#90263c2181 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, INTER-REGIONAL STK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 73,900 SHARES AT $6.61 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90263c2182 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PAUL E REINKEN, DIR. OF IFR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IFRS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,967.

-30- 306
#90263c2183 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF INFORMATION INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: IINT), BOUGHT 3,192 SHARES AT $11.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 369,583.

-30- 356
#90263c2184 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL J JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF II-VI INC. (TICKER: IIVI), BOUGHT 1,215 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 468,697.

-30- 305
#90263c2185 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CARL J JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF II-VI INC. (TICKER: IIVI), BOUGHT 1,215 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 344,338.

-30- 307
#90263c2187 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DANIEL R HAFEMAN, OFFICER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 13,714 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,429.

-30- 322
#90263c2188 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, INTERVEN II LP, BEN. OWNER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 54,002 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 963,506.

-30- 327
#90263c2189 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, STEPHEN M MCLAUGHLIN, OFFICER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,743.

-30- 326
#90263c2190 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DON V INGRAM, BEN. OWNER OF IMCO RECYCLING INC. (TICKER: IMRI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800,571.

-30- 328
#90263c2191 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DON V INGRAM, BEN. OWNER OF IMCO RECYCLING INC. (TICKER: IMRI), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 363,306.

-30- 328
#90263c2192 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT T BUEHL, DIR. OF INDIANA BANCSHARES INC (TICKER: INBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,934.

-30- 337
#90263c2193 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, PETER BALJET, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY CORP. (TICKER: INT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 845.

-30- 313
#90263c2195 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 14, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c2196 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 26, 1989, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), BOUGHT 9,600 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90263c2197 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A NELSON, PRES. OF INTRAMERICAN OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: IOM), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90263c2198 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1989, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), BOUGHT 1,020 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,640.

-30- 316
#90263c2199 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 3,900 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90263c2200 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90263c2201 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GERALD M KIRKE, DIR. OF IOWA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IOR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,040.

-30- 314
#90263c2203 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c2204 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM V WEITHAS, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 161,517.

-30- 334
#90263c2205 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DEREK LIDOW, DIV. OFFICER OF INTERNATIONAL RECTIFIER CORP. (TICKER: IRF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 252,185.

-30- 337
#90263c2206 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PHILLIP B ROONEY, DIR. OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c2207 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PHILLIP B ROONEY, DIR. OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $45.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 326
#90263c2208 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ALAN DWIGHT BROWNING, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 349
#90263c2209 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JEFFERIES GROUP INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), SOLD 1,364 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90263c2211 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 975 SHARES AT $11.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90263c2212 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RAYMOND L KILLIAN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90263c2213 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF KANEB SERVICES INC. (TICKER: KAB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 295
#90263c2214 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF KANEB SERVICES INC. (TICKER: KAB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,000.

-30- 295
#90263c2215 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GEORGE A PETERKIN JR, PRES. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90263c2216 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GEORGE A PETERKIN JR, PRES. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 552,910.

-30- 308

#90263c2217 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN H VRZALIK SR, VP OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c2219 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 17,737 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c2220 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,008 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c2221 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c2222 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c2223 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286

#90263c2224 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,302.

-30- 328
#90263c2225 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c2227 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c2228 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 05, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c2229 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90263c2230 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JACK W CORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER STATE CORP. (TICKER: KSF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,220.

-30- 331
#90263c2231 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MARC S HERMELIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF K-V PHARMACEUTICAL CO. (TICKER: KV), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,060.

-30- 346
#90263c2232 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES B STUZIN, CHAIRMAN OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90263c2233 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES B STUZIN, CHAIRMAN OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 5,676 SHARES AT $3.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 644,070.

-30- 344
#90263c2235 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM G COMBS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $41.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,300.

-30- 344
#90263c2236 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, GENERAL ELECTRIC CO, BEN. OWNER OF LODGISTIX INC. (TICKER: LDGX), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2237 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 26, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90263c2238 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90263c2239 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ROBERT K WEILER, PRES. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,400.

-30- 304
#90263c2240 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, HUGH M PETERS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 5,333 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,833.

-30- 322
#90263c2241 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOYCE A RIZZO, DIR. OF LEAK-X CORP. (TICKER: LEAK), BOUGHT 5,333 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,333.

-30- 295
#90263c2243 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2244 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2245 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2246 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2247 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2248 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2249 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2251 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2252 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2253 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2254 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2255 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2256 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 5,200 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2257 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90263c2259 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JACK C BENUN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,861,496.

-30- 365
#90263c2260 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 463 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90263c2261 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 4,499 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90263c2262 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 6,551 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90263c2263 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 3,924 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90263c2264 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 6,272 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90263c2265 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 144 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90263c2267 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $77.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90263c2268 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $74.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,511,493.

-30- 352
#90263c2269 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90263c2270 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317

#90263c2271 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90263c2272 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90263c2273 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90263c2275 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90263c2276 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HAROLD A HILDEBRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANDMARK GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: LMRK), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32.

-30- 352
#90263c2277 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90263c2278 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 13,600 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90263c2279 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90263c2280 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $5.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90263c2281 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90263c2283 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 8,400 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90263c2284 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $4.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90263c2285 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90263c2286 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90263c2287 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,786,300.

-30- 373
#90263c2288 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 26, 1989, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $25.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90263c2289 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1989, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 225 SHARES AT $25.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90263c2291 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $37.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90263c2292 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, RICHARD D ELLEDGE, VP OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $38.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90263c2293 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $15.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90263c2294 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 27,300 SHARES AT $15.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90263c2295 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 90,000 SHARES AT $15.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90263c2296 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90263c2297 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,890,500.

-30- 375
#90263c2299 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ALAN D NOLET, OFFICER OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,179.

-30- 315
#90263c2300 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAN JOHANNESSEN, VP OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 332
#90263c2301 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DAVID M MOSS, BEN. OWNER OF CATALINA LIGHTING INC. (TICKER: LTG), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 826,582.

-30- 330
#90263c2302 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c2303 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c2304 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 45,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2305 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2307 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 51,000 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2308 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c2309 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $3.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 541,180.

-30- 340
#90263c2310 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES E MURCOTT, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 413,470.

-30- 333

#90263c2311 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 12, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90263c2312 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 16, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90263c2313 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 24, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90263c2315 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES F BUNKER, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,285.

-30- 293
#90263c2316 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GARY R SMITH, VP OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 1,337 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90263c2317 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOSEPH L GUARRIELLO, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 308

#90263c2318 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOSEPH L GUARRIELLO, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,388.

-30- 344
#90263c2319 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90263c2320 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 355,840.

-30- 333
#90263c2321 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LEON KAPLAN, OFFICER OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c2323 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, THOMAS D EBLING, VP OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 1,538 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,770.

-30- 295
#90263c2324 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RICHARD S HICKOK, DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,564.

-30- 301
#90263c2325 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DEAN R MCKAY, DIR. OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,168.

-30- 296
#90263c2326 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DAVID M STONER, VP OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM), SOLD 1,521 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 141,967.

-30- 295
#90263c2327 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DONALD P HORWITZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c2328 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RICHARD J LEACH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,971.

-30- 337
#90263c2329 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 378,555 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90263c2331 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM MCCOLLAM JR, DIR. OF MCDERMOTT INTERNATIONAL

INC. (TICKER: MDR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90263c2332 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EARL E BAKKEN, DIR. OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT), SOLD 13,500 SHARES AT $76.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90263c2333 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, EARL E BAKKEN, DIR. OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $77.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 444,106.

-30- 302
#90263c2334 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LIONEL I PINCUS, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 193,965 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,586,508.

-30- 320
#90263c2335 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN L VOGELSTEIN, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 193,965 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,586,508.

-30- 326
#90263c2336 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WARBURG PINCUS CAP CO LP, BEN. OWNER OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 161,637 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,322,090.

-30- 351

#90263c2337 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WARBURG PINCUS CAP PARTNR LP, BEN. OWNER OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 32,328 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,264,418.

-30- 358
#90263c2339 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, HAROLD G SPRIGGS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $3.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90263c2340 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, HAROLD G SPRIGGS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,533.

-30- 349
#90263c2341 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, STEPHEN M DEIXLER, CHAIRMAN OF MICROFRAME INC. (TICKER: MIFI), BOUGHT 450,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,187,500.

-30- 326
#90263c2342 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, CHESTER J SILVESTRI, DIV. OFFICER OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,249.

-30- 345
#90263c2343 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DONALD RATAJCZAK, OFFICER OF MORGAN KEEGAN INC. (TICKER:

MOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,850.

-30- 319
#90263c2344 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT B SEIDEL, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,916.

-30- 321
#90263c2345 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, TERRY L TROUPE, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,088.

-30- 321
#90263c2347 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RONALD C DEMEO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARIETTA CORP. (TICKER: MRTA), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 329
#90263c2348 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, RONALD C DEMEO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARIETTA CORP. (TICKER: MRTA), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 329
#90263c2349 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, SAMARK ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF MARITEK CORP. (TICKER: MRTK), SOLD 166,667 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 169,667.

-30- 327
#90263c2350 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GARY HILLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c2351 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GARY HILLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,349,960.

-30- 331
#90263c2352 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, SCOTTY B PATRICK, DIR. OF MELAMINE CHEMICALS INC. (TICKER: MTWO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 326
#90263c2353 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES R GLYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90263c2355 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, KARL S HAY, DIR. OF MYERS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MYE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90263c2356 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, KARL S HAY, DIR. OF MYERS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MYE),

SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90263c2357 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, COMMON INVESTMENT FUND, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBM), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90263c2358 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, COMMON INVESTMENT FUND, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBM), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,213.

-30- 355
#90263c2359 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90263c2360 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2361 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT M KOSSICK, PRES. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,537.

-30- 340
#90263c2363 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DON W SANDS, DIR. OF NATIONAL DATA CORP. (TICKER: NDTA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 303
#90263c2364 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LESTER J LLOYD, SHAREHOLDER OF NELLCOR INC. (TICKER: NELL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,516.

-30- 314
#90263c2365 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GEORGE E COMSTOCK, VP OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90263c2366 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GEORGE E COMSTOCK, VP OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 122,000.

-30- 322
#90263c2367 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c2368 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 290

#90263c2369 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c2371 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.72 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,440,727.

-30- 330
#90263c2372 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, CONCEPT COMMUNICATIONS INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2373 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JONATHAN S PARK, DIR. OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90263c2374 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT M GARDINER, DIR. OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90263c2375 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROBERT M GARDINER, DIR. OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 309
#90263c2376 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD A HELLER, OFFICER OF NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: NSCO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90263c2377 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, RICHARD A HELLER, OFFICER OF NETWORK SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: NSCO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c2379 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT H B BALDWIN, DIR. OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 351
#90263c2380 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c2381 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c2382 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WALTER J GILL, VP OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: NWK), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 113,789.

-30- 338
#90263c2383 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $13.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2384 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2385 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2387 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2388 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $14.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2389 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC.

(TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,334,200.

-30- 340
#90263c2390 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 55,000 SHARES AT $12.51 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2391 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 25,500 SHARES AT $12.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90263c2392 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), SOLD 29,500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,213,778.

-30- 363
#90263c2393 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT C ERNEST, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90263c2395 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $6.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90263c2396 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 831,685.

-30- 326
#90263c2397 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA TESS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $6.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90263c2398 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA TESS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 818,285.

-30- 340
#90263c2399 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $35.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90263c2400 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 20,400 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90263c2401 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, OREGON STEEL MILLS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), SOLD 6,503 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,243,776.

-30- 356
#90263c2403 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c2404 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90263c2405 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 325
#90263c2406 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ROSEMARY TOMICH, DIR. OF OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: OXY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 326
#90263c2407 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARTHUR J SIMPSON JR, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 1,538,462 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90263c2408 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ARTHUR J SIMPSON JR, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 2,925,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 3,657,692.

-30- 339
#90263c2409 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, SOUTHMARK CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PRATT HOTEL CORP. (TICKER: PHC), SOLD 1,538,462 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90263c2411 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT K BURGESS, PRES. OF PHM CORP. (TICKER: PHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90263c2412 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ROBERT K BURGESS, PRES. OF PHM CORP. (TICKER: PHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 296
#90263c2413 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, LEWIS B MERRIFIELD III, PRES. OF PIC 'N SAVE CORP. (TICKER: PICN), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 271,920.

-30- 329
#90263c2414 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FREDRIC M ROSEMORE, CHAIRMAN OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $4.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 559,183.

-30- 330
#90263c2415 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DARYL L SWANSTROM, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PENN ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING CORP. (TICKER: PNN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,747.

-30- 391
#90263c2416 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 13,875 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c2417 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,500 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c2419 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 14,550 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,141,730.

-30- 336
#90263c2420 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 33,000 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90263c2421 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 295

#90263c2422 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,199,205.

-30- 336
#90263c2423 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c2424 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c2425 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c2427 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c2428 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c2429 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 24,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c2430 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c2431 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c2432 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90263c2433 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90263c2435 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90263c2436 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90263c2437 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90263c2438 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90263c2439 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90263c2440 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90263c2441 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 24,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90263c2443 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90263c2444 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90263c2445 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90263c2446 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,206,050.

-30- 347
#90263c2447 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BCE INC, BEN. OWNER OF QUEBECOR INC. (TICKER: PQB), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $10.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,038,500.

-30- 305
#90263c2448 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90263c2449 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90263c2451 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 293,000.

-30- 361
#90263c2452 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF PUBCO CORP. (TICKER: PUBO), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $7.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,938.

-30- 304
#90263c2453 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID B KINNEY, DIR. OF RADVA CORP. (TICKER: RDVA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,000.

-30- 299
#90263c2454 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 349 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90263c2455 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY

SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,588 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90263c2456 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 8,443 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90263c2457 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,835 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90263c2459 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 482 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90263c2460 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 6,344 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90263c2461 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 11,672 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90263c2462 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY

SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 2,538 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90263c2463 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 6,343 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,487,593.

-30- 354
#90263c2464 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $12.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90263c2465 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $12.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90263c2467 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90263c2468 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90263c2469 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $11.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90263c2470 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90263c2471 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $11.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90263c2472 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, E C GWALTNEY, CHAIRMAN OF RUSSELL CORP. (TICKER: RML), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 777,080.

-30- 312
#90263c2473 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THOMAS H POTTS, PRES. OF RAC MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CORP. (TICKER: RMR), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 176,692.

-30- 337
#90263c2475 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, RONALD A WARD, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,780.

-30- 333
#90263c2476 09/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, L KIRKE MOORE, DIR. OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 21,400 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90263c2477 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, L KIRKE MOORE, DIR. OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,400.

-30- 334
#90263c2478 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DAVID K HUNT, VP OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,680.

-30- 305
#90263c2479 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, HAYS T WATKINS, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,951.

-30- 316
#90263c2480 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90263c2481 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90263c2483 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c2484 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c2485 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c2486 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c2487 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90263c2488 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c2489 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90263c2491 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, ANDREW W MILLER, DIR. OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF), SOLD 16,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90263c2492 09/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90263d0110 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 20) - The British government on Thursday gave the green light for Fujitsu of Japan's 700 million pound (132 million dollars) acquisition of an 80 per cent stake in British computer company International Computers Ltd. (ICL).

Trade and Industry Secretary Peter Lilley had decided not to refer the deal to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, the ministry said.

Fujitsu's acquisition of ICL, a subsidiary of the STC group, makes the Japanese company the world's second largest computer concern after International Business Machines (IBM) of the United States.

-30- 772
#90263d0120 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
EINDHOVEN, NETHERLANDS (SEPT. 20) - Troubled Dutch electronics group Philips said Thursday that it was transferring to AT&T its 15 percent stake in a joint venture with the U.S. company.

The Philips stake in AT&T Network Systems International (AT&T-NSI) would be transferred to AT&T with effect from September 20.

AT&T had agreed that the Spanish telephone company Telefonica should take six percent of AT&T-NSI so that the equity would be held 74 percent by AT&T, 20 percent by the Italian Italtel holding company, and six percent by Telefonica, Philips said.

-30- 734

#90263d0200 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 20) - New bank credit in Britain in August totalled 4.8 billion pounds (nine billion dollars), according to provisional seasonally-adjusted figures issued Thursday by the Bank of England.

This was up from 3.9 billion pounds (7.3 billion dollars) in July but below market forecasts of an August figure of five billion pounds (9.4 billion dollars).

The Bank also said that MO money supply increased 0.9 per cent in August over the July level, giving a year on year rise of 4.9 per cent, taking the figure back in line with a government target of between one and five per cent growth for the first time since September last year.

The year on year increase in July stood at 5.5 per cent.

-30- 883

#90263d0290 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 20) - British concrete and building materials concern RMC Group said Thursday that its pre-tax profit fell 5.3 percent in the first half of this year to 109.3 million pounds (206 million dollars) from 115.5 million (217.9 million dollars).

Turnover was higher than in the same period of last year, however, at 1.3 billion pounds (2.4 billion dollars) against 1.2 billion (2.2 billion dollars).

The figures were below market forecasts of profit of between 115 million and 130 million pounds.

Interim dividend was up nine percent at 6.4 pence from 5.8, while earnings per share fell to 28.4 pence from 32.

-30- 787

#90263d0300 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 20) - The West German central bank decided at a regular meeting here Thursday not to alter its monetary policy, a Bundesbank spokesman said.

The discount rate remains fixed at six percent and the Lombard rate at eight percent, their levels since October 6.

-30- 475

#90263d0360 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 20) - Three people were killed and 22 hurt Thursday in a blast that rocked an explosives factory at Potchefstroom, 90 kilometres south west of here, state-run Armaments Corporation (Armscor) said in a statement.

Five of those injured are in a serious condition, the statement said.

The "industrial accident" occurred at 8.40 am (0640 GMT) at one of the production buildings at Naschem factory, a subsidiary of Armscor.

The statement gave no details of what caused the explosion.

-30- 679

#90263d0450 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 20) - The government on Thursday blocked the takeover by British sugar group Tate and Lyle of its leading rival British Sugar because of concern over its effect on competition on the sugar market.

Trade and Industry Secretary Peter Lilley decided to refer the bid to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the recommendation of the Office of Fair Trading because of fears that the deal would infringe rules on competition.

The Commission is due to deliver its report by Jan. 18.

The British authorities had already blocked an attempt by Tate and Lyle in 1987 to acquire Berisford International, which owns British Sugar.

The move would have given Tate and Lyle control of more than 90 percent of the British sugar market.

-30- 932

#90263d0550 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO (SEPT. 20) - Greenpeace activists tried on Thursday to prevent the British aircraft carrier "Ark Royal" from docking in Oslo harbour, claiming the ship had nuclear weapons on board and was thereby violating Norwegian law.

The activists were removed by the police who confiscated three rubber boats.

Two Greenpeace members tried to stop the British carrier as the ship came into port by jumping into the sea in front of the bow. They were picked up by a police boat.

In a statement Greenpeace strongly protested against the Ark Royal's call, saying the ship carried nuclear bombs which exposed the population of Oslo to an uacceptable risk.

Norway does not allow nuclear arms on its territory in peacetime and the official position is that visiting ships are presumed to respect this policy.

However, Norwegian experts have never inspected foreign naval vessels to make sure they comply with the rules.

In another development a Greenpeace ship left Tromsoe in Northern Norway Thursday for the Soviet island of Novaya Zemlya in the Barents Sea to protest against plans to resume nuclear testing in the area.

Public protests at the main Soviet test site in Kazakhstan have prompted the government's renewed interest in Novaya Zemlya. This island was the main testing ground from 1958 through 1963. Since 1980 only seven test have taken place on the island, Greenpeace said.

On board the ship will be a member of a Soviet group opposing the nuclear testing in Kazakhstan and a local politician from the Soviet autonomous region that includes Novaya Zemlya.

-30- 1789

#90263d0640 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (SEPT. 20) - The South African cabinet has accepted recommendations by unions and employers on changes to controversial labor laws, Manpower Minister Eli Louw said here Thursday.

The decision is likely to bring to an end a 14-month campaign against the Labour Relations Act (LRA) by the million-strong Congress of South African Trade Unions (COSATU), which has used protests, boycotts, mass strikes, pickets and factory floor demonstrations to back its demands that the act be changed.

As part of its ongoing campaign, COSATU had called a one-day national strike on October 8 followed by two days of industrial protest, but Mr. Louw said the trade union federation had now agreed to drop the call.

COSATU and its main trade union rival, the National Council of Trade Unions (NACTU), claim the LRA is anti-unionist -- a view shared by the main employers' body, the South African Consultative Council on Labour Affairs (SACCOLA).

Mr. Louw told a press conference here that changes to the act were agreed by himself and representatives of COSATU, NACTU and SACCOLA last week and represented a "milestone on the road to internationally accepted labor laws".

The main change to the LRA would be on the definition of an unfair labor practice, he said.

"In future a strike or lock-out will no longer be judged by the industrial court on the basis of fair or unfair but on the basis of whether it was legal or illegal according to rules prescribed by the law."

COSATU had targetted in particular a clause which restricts workers' rights to strike and another which enables companies to sue unions for litigation damages.

Under the agreement, which is to be translated into legislation for submission to parliament when it sits again in February, damages can be claimed in the event of illegal strikes and lock-outs.

"This decision by the cabinet is the confirmation of a real effort to draw employers, employees and the state together in order to create a labor system mainly based on agreement and international acceptance," Mr. Louw said.

-30- 2273

#90263d0650 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 20) - The Foreign Ministry said Thursday that budget requests for the fiscal 1991 Official Development Assistance (ODA) program would call for a 4.6 percent rise from the current fiscal year to 1,155.8 billion yen (about 11.06 billion dollars).

Of the total sum, sought by 18 government agencies concerned with ODA, grants will amount to 791.8 billion yen (5.779 billion dollars), up 2.4 percent and loans 890.4 billion yen (some 6.5 billion dollars), up 7.8 percent, it said.

-30- 683

#90263d0670 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 20) - Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke on Thursday criticised food security reasons cited by Japan to protect its rice market as blocking success in Uruguay Round trade talks, government officials said.

The Japanese people "can, at any time, buy goods not domestically made as the world has entered a cooperative era," Mr. Hawke was quoted as saying in talks with Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Minister Tomio Yamamoto.

While agreeing with Mr. Hawke that the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade should end in success, Mr. Yamamoto reiterated Japan's longstanding target of producing its own rice in light of Japan's low grain self-sufficiency of about 30 per cent.

Japan's protectionist rice policy is said to be one of the key obstacles to

the successful conclusion of the multilateral talks due to end in December.

Earlier in the day, Mr. Hawke delivered a speech to the Japan Chamber of Commerce and Industry, in which he also demanded that Japan liberalize rice imports.

"Let me say bluntly that the self-sufficiency argument made by Japan in defense of its agricultural protection stands very awkwardly indeed with your tremendous successes as an international trader in nonfood goods," he said.

-30- 1454

#90263d0690 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 20) - Malaysia's crude palm oil production rose 10 percent in the first eight months of this year to 3.98 million tons from 3.61 million tons in the same period last year, Bernama news agency said Thursday.

Crude palm oil stocks rose by five percent to 536,669 tons at the end of August while processed palm oil stocks were marginally higher at 322,952 tons, Bernama quoted the Department of Statistics as saying.

Malaysia's processed palm oil exports rose 18 percent to 3.34 million tons in the first seven months, the department said.

The main buyers were Pakistan (469,526 tons), Singapore (432,062 tons), China (392,055 tons), India (304,142 tons) and Egypt (175,269 tons).

-30- 893

#90263d0710 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 20) - International telecommunications giant OTC Ltd. announced on Thursday a 24 percent leap in annual net profit to 234.6 million Australian dollars (194 million U.S.) for the year ended March 31.

The government-owned OTC tipped a record dividend of 104 million dollars (86 million U.S.) into the government's coffers.

Canberra recently decided to merge OTC with domestic telephone network Telecom and allow foreign competition to compete against the merged giant dubbed Megacom.

Managing Director Stephen Burdon said OTC was ready to tackle the forthcoming competition since it was one of the world's most efficient telecommunications carriers.

"We have a proud record of providing amongst the lowest tariffs of all international carriers, plus solid financial returns," he told reporters.

OTC's total revenue soared 18.5 percent to 1.52 billion dollars (1.26 billion U.S.) with telephone traffic into and out of Australia jumping 24.4 per cent over the year.

A special national conference of the ruling Australian Labor Party on Monday will consider "in principle" a decision by the Australian government to establish a second telephone company to compete against the merged Telecom and OTC.

The second carrier would buy Canberra's satellite company Aussat to compete for domestic and international traffic.

-30- 1548

#90263d0750 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 20) - The Securities Exchange of Thailand (SET) has passed new regulations to prevent brokers from speculating with intent to manipulate share prices on the volatile bourse, a bourse spokesman said.

The spokesman said that as of the beginning of the month brokers were not allowed to alter their sales slips without written permission before five p.m. local time.

The amending of sales slips has resulted in widespread cheating during hectic trading, the spokesman said.

The move followed a four-month police investigation into the activities of a sub-brokerage firm and the filing of charges against 17 of its employees for allegedly masterminding a scheme that sent share prices plummeting in the last 10 minutes of trading on January 9.

The Chao Thai Securities Co. employees allegedly spread rumours that Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan was resigning in the face of opposition to his shaky coalition government.

The SET index has advanced gradually toward recovery since August when it hit an all-time low.

The spokesman added that the bourse would change its name in January to the Stock Exchange of Thailand to ''reflect its growing international recognition.''

He added that trading floors in most countries were stock exchanges rather than securities exchanges.

-30- 1499

#90263d0790 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (SEPT. 20) - A total of 33 people died Thursday in a multiple road accident on a busy highway near Semarang in northern Java, the Indonesian news agency Antara reported.

About 17 other people were injured in the accident.

The fatal sequence began when a van skidded on the wet road. An intercity bus following closely behind at high speed rammed into it and plunged into a ravine. About 15 minutes later, another speeding intercity bus rammed into the wrecks and rescuers at work, Antara said.

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#90263d0890 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LOYOLA, SPAIN (SEPT. 20) - Jesuit superiors from around the world opened an unprecedented "summit" here Thursday, the first of its kind in the order's 450 years of existence, and were urged by Pope John Paul II to step up the battle against atheism.

The 99 priests from 52 countries, speaking a score of languages ranging from English and Spanish to Croat and Japanese, have a 174-point agenda covering mostly internal organisation but also taking in the changes in eastern Europe, poverty, the media and the place of lay people in church life, a spokesman said.

The pope sent a message urging the Society of Jesus to remember the special mandate given it by his predecessor Paul VI "valiantly to counter atheism with all their strength", terming atheism "a fearful danger threatening human society".

Pope John Paul commented the mission required "especial commitment in the new situations thrown up by the collapse of atheistic ideologies."

In a week's time the Jesuits will declare an Ignatian Year to mark the 500th anniversary of the birth of their founder St. Ignatius of Loyola in 1491. The year will run until next July 31, his feast day in the Catholic Church.

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#90263d0900 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 20) - Britain may call for an end to international sanctions against China imposed after the June 4 Beijing massacre last year, a British Foreign Office official indicated here Thursday.

China's "internal and external behaviour" have improved over the past year, said Lord Caithness, the visiting Foreign Office minister in charge of Hong Kong affairs.

Lord Caithness was replying to a question on whether London considered it time to halt international sanctions against Beijing, after he said British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd and his Chinese counterpart Qian Qichen were planning to exchange visits to each other's country.

Britain saw as "positive" China's attitude towards the Gulf crisis and the Cambodian question, the British official said.

At home, "China has shown a willingness to reform," he said without elaborating but in apparent reference to China's release of dissidents arrested since June last year.

"We will seek to improve relations with China," Lord Caithness told a press conference at the end of his six-day visit to the British colony.

He said Britain might ask China for more democracy for the colony before it reverts to Chinese sovereignty in 1997.

The colony is scheduled to have its first direct elections to 18 seats of its 60-member legislature next year, with the number increasing to 20 in 1997.

Britain would look at the showing of the 1991 elections, "and if everybody considers it to be successful we will talk to the Chinese" in a bid to increase the number of directly elected seats, Lord Caitness said.

Lord Caithness acknowledged two other thorny Hong Kong issues with regard to China: the colony's giant new airport project which Chinese officials have tagged a British "conspiracy" to hand over a bankrupt Hong Kong in 1997, and London's plan to issue full British passports to 50,000 key local personnel to help "anchor" them here -- with China threatening not to recognise the passports thus obtained.

Bilateral dialogues would be conducted in a bid to persuade China to drop its reservations over the two schemes, Lord Caithness said, adding that in the passport case, "I am confident they will."

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#90263d1010 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAMMU, INDIA (SEPT. 20) - Striking women employees of the state and federal government clashed with riot police in Kashmir's summer capital of Srinagar Thursday, leaving some 30 injured, witnesses said.

The women, backed by the Moslem militant Dukhtarani Millet organization, were among some 170,000 government employees on the fifth day of an indefinite strike that has paralysed government offices in the Kashmir Valley.

The strikers are demanding the reinstatement of five senior state government

employees dismissed last week for their role in a previous strike protesting alleged atrocities by Indian troops against civilians in the valley.

The witnesses said riot police in several parts of the city, using sticks and batons, beat back the women demonstrators who were shouting slogans against Kashmir Governor Girish Saxena and the Indian government.

The troops and paramilitary were called into Kashmir late last year in an attempt to put down a violent militant-led independence drive in India's only Moslem-majority state.

The strikers also demanded that no retaliatory action be taken against 137 state government officials who had presented a memorandum to world humanitarian organisations appealing for help in halting alleged security forces excesses.

The federally administered government in Kashmir, which borders Pakistan, has so far refused to concede the demands and has threatened more dismissals if the strikers failed to resume work.

Meanwhile, three federal Border Security Force (BSF) soldiers were killed Thursday in a shootout with Moslem militants in Sopore, 50 kilometers (33 miles) from Srinagar, a spokesman said here.

Two others were injured when militants ambushed an army truck ferrying troops from the northern town of Bandipora to Sopore early Thursday, he added.

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#90263d1070 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAMPALA (SEPT. 20) - Nigerian leader Ibrahim Babangida arrived in Uganda Thursday on a three-day state visit at the invitation of Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni.

General Babangida was accompanied by a 21-member delegation of cabinet ministers and other top government officials.

He will hold private talks with Museveni, current chairman of the Organisation of African Unity (Oau), and tour industrial complexes on the outskirts of Kampala and in Jinja, Uganda's second-largest city.

The last Nigerian leader to visit Uganda was General Yakubu Gowon. He was attending the Oau's annual summit in Kampala in 1975 when news reached him that he had been toppled in a military coup.

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#90263d1140 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (SEPT. 20) - Saudi Arabian forces are capable of withstanding an Iraqi attack carried out with chemical weapons, the Saudi Press Agency reported here Thursday.

''The troops are equipped and trained to confront any attack carried out with chemical arms,'' it said.

Saudi Arabia deployed thousands of soldiers along its border with Kuwait when the emirate was invaded by Iraq on August 2.

Unconfirmed reports said Iraq can fire chemical bombs with the help of short-range grenade and missile launchers as well as with Soviet-made Scud rockets, which have a range of 500 kilometres.

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#90263d1180 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) - The Front for a Democratic China (FDC), one of China's two leading exiled dissident groups, opens a three-day congress in suburban San Francisco this week to elect a new leadership and plan a new strategy to keep the flames of democracy alive in China.

Some 150 delegates and 100 guests will gather Saturday in a hotel in Foster City, just south of San Francisco, exactly a year after the FDC was formed in Paris.

The first day of the FDC congress will coincide with the opening in Beijing of the Asian Games -- Asia's premier sporting event.

Chinese communist rulers hope the games will raise China's international prestige.

Chinese dissident sources said the FDC congress should help refocus world attention on the Chinese army's massacre of pro-democracy demonstrators in Beijing's Tiananmen Square on June 3 and 4, 1989.

Observers noted that 16 months after the military operation which claimed hundreds of lives, Beijing appears to be slowly regaining respectability thanks to its cooperation in U.N. efforts to resolve the Gulf crisis and the Cambodian conflict.

In a telephone interview Thursday, Victor Huang, an organizer of the FDC congress, said San Francisco was chosen as the venue because it boasts one of the world's largest overseas Chinese communities.

Representatives of the other major Chinese exile dissident group -- the U.S.-based Independent Federation of Chinese Students and Scholars -- will be among the delegates at the congress.

Mr. Huang said delegates would elect a successor to Yan Jiaqi, who is stepping down as the federation's president.

Mr. Yan was an adviser to former reformist Chinese Communist Party Chief Zhao Ziyang.

According to an advance copy of his opening address to the congress, Mr. Yan will review the dissident movement's activities over the past year and will focus on its successes and failures.

Mr. Yan also will tell the delegates that, despite "many difficulties and frustration, we have brought our message to China through a thousand speeches, publications and announcements.

"We made a tremendous effort in promoting China's democratization and continue to put pressure on China's autocrats through international public opinion," the text of the speech said.

His address also highlights the formal links established in East Berlin in April between the FDC and East European democratic movements.

But the FDC's outgoing president also notes that "the road to democracy is a bumpy one."

"Because we lack experience in promoting a democratic movement..., there is still a wide gap between our work and public expectations," the text of Mr. Yan's address said.

In his speech, he also expresses gratitude to the French and U.S. governments and people, as well as to Taiwanese and Hong Kong pro-democracy groups for their support.

Yan Jiaqi, who arrived in San Francisco September 16, has said he would relinquish his post to devote more time to his political science studies.

Lu Keng, a San Francisco-based Chinese journalist and friend of Mr. Yan, said the outgoing FDC president would soon begin work on a book about what he views as the impending collapse of communism in China.

Mr. Lu, who edits Bai Xing, a leading Hong Kong-based, Chinese-language magazine, also said businessman Wan Runnan -- the federation's current secretary general -- was widely expected to be elected president.

The Paris-based FDC has 2,160 members scattered in 11 branches in France,

Britain, West Germany, Sweden, Denmark, Switzerland, the Netherlands, Japan, Australia, the United States and Canada.

It also has offices in Belgium, Italy, Austria, Finland, Thailand, Brazil and Ecuador.

The FDC's yearly budget of around one million dollars comes from donations made by overseas Chinese around the world and foreign friends, as well as from members' contributions.

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#90263d1240 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 20) - The price of North Sea Brent crude oil rose to 33.60 dollars a barrel for November delivery on the London market Thursday.

On Wednesday the barrel price had fallen to 33.25 dollars on profit taking, said dealers.

At the beginning of the week Brent prices crossed the 33 dollar threshhold for the first time since 1982 due to fears of war in the Gulf.

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#90263d1330 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 20) - A world-renowned chemical arms expert is to advise Saudi leaders on how to detect chemical weapons and decontaminate and treat victims of chemical warfare, informed sources said here Thursday.

Professor Aubin Heyndrickx left for Saudi Arabia Wednesday following an "urgent request" by Saudi officials, an aide told Agence France-Presse.

The Saudi Embassy here would not confirm the report.

Prof. Heyndrickx of Ghent University will give Saudi officials "scientific information on how to detect those terrible gases, as well as on how to decontaminate and treat those poisoned", sources added.

He repeatedly visited Iran during the 1980-88 war between Iran and Iraq and was the first to detect chemicals used by Iraq in 1984 to break the Iranian resistance.

Iraq reportedly changed the poison mix in 1985 to enhance its deadly effects.

Prof. Hendryckx has said that he developed efficient antidotes against toxins used by Iraq.

Several Iranian poison gas victims were treated in Belgium at the time.

#90263d1450 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 20) - Strong domestic demand helped Japan's economy grow by 0.9 percent in the April-June quarter over the previous quarter and by 7.5 percent from a year ago, the Economic Planning Agency (EPA) said Thursday.

The quarterly rise in the country's GNP was higher than most private sector and government forecasts and, EPA officials said, translated to an annual growth rate of 3.6 percent.

Second quarter growth is often weaker because of seasonal factors.

"We expected 0.6 percent (GNP growth). Those figures are quite strong and better than the market expected," said an economist from overseas-owned securities house W.I. Carr.

However, he added that he was concerned about inflation.

Last year the Japanese economy grew by 4.9 percent, but contracted by 0.8 percent in the April-June quarter over the previous quarter and by 3.1 percent calculated annually.

A consumption tax was introduced during the second quarter.

The EPA said consistently strong domestic demand helped produce the higher than expected quarterly figure.

The good results also came after a first quarter affected by political uncertainty and by an unprecedented financial crisis in which the Tokyo bourse fell almost 30 percent and the yen suffered a substantial drop in value.

Business investment grew by 3.8 percent in the three months to June compared to the January-March quarter, while household spending grew by 1.4 percent, the government body said.

Construction expenditure grew by 1.8 percent despite a surge in interest rates it added.

Of the 0.9 percent second quarter growth, the EPA said domestic factors contributed 2.4 percentage points, while external influences took off 1.5 points.

An economist from Nomura Research Institute, a subsidiary of Nomura Securities said he was surprised by the economy's strength and added that growth forecasts for the year would have to be revised upwards.

Although a general economic slowdown caused largely by the Gulf crisis is expected later in the year, most economists said they expected economic growth

to match last year's level of almost five percent.

The Bank of Japan said it expected the growth in household spending to be sustained and added that recent indications of confidence among business chiefs were very positive.

Recent studies published by private forecasters on the economic consequences of the Gulf crisis did not expect a disastrous outcome while authorities continue to give reassuring statements.

The Japanese economy has grown consistently for 46 months.

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#90263d1540 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (SEPT. 20) - Egyptian authorities have confiscated thousands of gold coins from the Mameluke and Ottoman periods which were discovered by construction workers, press reports said here Thursday.

Workers found at least 3,378 coins in the wall of an old house in Cairo's historic Islamic quarter and tried to sell them, the reports added. But a gold trader informed police after one of the workers approached him.

Archeologists said the coins could sell for millions of dollars.

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#90263d1640 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 20) - The political committee of the parliamentary assembly of the Western European Union (Weu) Thursday called for the destruction of Iraqi chemical weapons under international auspices.

The committee meeting here also said Iraq had to be compelled to pay damages for taking hostages and for violation of foreign diplomatic missions in Kuwait.

The United Nations was urged, after the restoration of international law in Kuwait, to press for a settlement of the Palestinian question and the Israeli occupation of Arab territory at an international Middle East peace conference.

The Weu defence committee called in a report here for the creation of a joint command structure for Weu forces. It also favoured the setting up of a Weu liaison office in Washington.

The Weu comprises the members of the 12-nation European Community (E.C.) with the exception of Denmark, Greece and Ireland.

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#90263d1660 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 20) - African National Congress (Anc) Vice President Nelson Mandela Thursday blamed the recent bloodbath in black South African townships on the country's security forces.

Mandela, speaking at a funeral of 12 victims of the latest unrest in Soweto near Johannesburg, the largest South African township, warned the government not to abuse the Anc's desire for peace.

''If the government is taking advantage of our desire to have peace, we are going to have war,'' he said.

Mandela rejected the view that the violence in black townships around Johannesburg, which left more than 800 people dead, was the result of a conflict between rival black factions.

''There is a third force operating in this country, backed especially by the security forces... These are the people who are killing our people,'' Mandela told the more than 20,000 mourners who chanted slogans like, ''The Boers are murdering us in Soweto.''

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#90263d1730 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) - A U.S. soldier died Thursday and two others were injured then their jeep overturned during a training exercise in the Saudi Arabian desert, the Pentagon announced.

It was the fourth fatal accident involving troops sent to Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield, launched last month to prevent a possible Iraqi invasion of Saudi Arabia.

The Pentagon said the soldiers, who were not identified, were part of the 505th Infantry Regiment of the 82nd Airborne Division.

The three were carried by helicopter from the site of the accident to a field hospital, where one was declared dead from head injuries. The other two, one with head injuries and one with a dislocated knee, were described in stable condition.

On August 12 an Air Force maintenance worker was hit and killed by a truck on a darkened runway. Other fatalities involved a soldier killed in a road collision and a sailor electrocuted aboard the destroyer USS O'Brien in the Gulf.

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#90263d1850 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 20) - Phnom Penh Prime Minister Hun Sen has asked the leading world powers to invite Cambodia's new interim authority to take over the country's U.N. seat, the official Cambodian news agency said Thursday.

Mr. Hun Sen wrote letters to U.N. Security Council permanent members, U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and his French counterpart Roland Dumas, the SPK news agency said in a broadcast monitored here.

The letters requested invitations for members of the Supreme National Council (SNC) -- an interim authority comprising Cambodia's four warring factions -- to attend the current U.N. General Assembly in New York, it said.

Talks here between the Vietnam-installed Phnom Penh government and its guerrilla adversaries collapsed Wednesday over how to bring resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk into the SNC.

(China Thursday blamed Hun Sen for the failure of the first meeting of Cambodia's interim ruling authority.

"Due to the fact that Hun Sen refused to consent to the suggestion of choosing Prince Sihanouk as chairman of the Supreme Council, and his raising a series of bargaining conditions, the first meeting of the Cambodian Supreme National Council failed to lead to any result," a foreign ministry spokeswoman said in Beijing.)

The council is to take over Cambodia's U.N. seat, held until now by a guerrilla coalition joining the Beijing-backed Khmer Rouge with two non-communist factions headed by the prince and former prime minister Son Sann.

Mr. Hun Sen is one of 12 members of the SNC, which is divided equally with six Phnom Penh representatives and two each for the three guerrilla factions.

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#90263d2060 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHARTOUM (SEPT. 20) - Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo) chairman Yassir Arafat and Sudanese leader Omer Beshir met here Thursday to discuss the Gulf crisis.

General Beshir told the Sudanese news agency Suna their talks had centred efforts to work out an Arab solution to the conflict.

Their proposal linked the settlement of the Gulf crisis to simulaneous solutions of the problems of Palestine, Syria and Lebanon, he said without giving details.

Arafat told reporters prior to his departure the U.S forces in the Gulf were

there to harm rather than to protect Arab interests.

In related development, Beshir received a message from King Hussein of Jordan.

The content of the message was not disclosed, but it was said to contain the latest developments in the Arab peace initiative.

The peace plan topped the agenda of a mini Arab summit in Rabat attended by King Hussein, King Hassan Ii of Morocco and Algerian President Chadli Benjedid.

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#90263d2170 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT. 20) - The U.N. Security Council was expected to adopt resolutions Thursday pressing peace efforts in Cambodia and urging aid donations for refugees from Iraq and Kuwait in Jordan, diplomats said.

The 15 council members, due to meet later in the day, were also expected to ask U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to reexamine the size and mandate of the U.N. peacekeeping forces in Lebanon, they said.

On Cambodia, the diplomats said, the full council would adopt a resolution welcoming an agreement reached last month by the five permanent council members -- Britian, China, France, the United States and the Soviet Union -- on a framework for a cease-fire and a U.N.-administered transition program ending in free elections.

The council was also expected to call for reconvening the so-called Paris Conference -- a gathering of the warring Cambodian factions, the Security Council permament members and interested Asian nations -- to move ahead on the peace plan.

Concerning Jordan, the council was expected to adopt a resolution based on recommendations put forward by the U.N. sanctions committee -- responsible for overseeing the U.N.-mandated embargo of Iraq -- which will call on U.N. member states to provide humanitarian aid for refugees from Kuwait and Iraq.

Following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, tens of thousands of people, mostly Asians, fled those two countries and were stranded in camps along the Iraq-Jordan border.

At one time some 120,000 people were stuck in the camps, but the figure has fallen to about 30,000, according to U.N. figures.

Governments in the Gulf and elsewhere have already pledged about 100 million dollars in humanitarian relief for Jordan to help deal with the flood of refugees.

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#90263d2190 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (SEPT 20) - The European Economic Community (EEC) has decided to use six million ecus (eight million dollars) in subsidies earmarked for the fight against apartheid in South Africa to help refugees stranded in the Gulf crisis European deputies said here Thursday.

The sum, set down in the EEC's 1990 budget, was to be used to help blacks in South Africa and independent Namibia, as well as countries of the Southern Africa Development Coordination Conference.

Manuel Marin, European commissioner for development, was among those backing the transfer of credits. In a letter to the European Parliament development committee, he said it was a "purely temporary measure" prompted by the "urgency of the situation" in the Gulf.

The EEC has already released 25 million ecus (33 million dollars) since Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait last month to help refugees fleeing both countries.

A further amount 30 million ecus (40 million dllars) was decided on Monday.

Portuguese deputy Joaquim Miranda da Silva, speaking for the European Parliament's communist Left Coalition group, condemned the switch as "unacceptable" and said that it must "in no way work to the detriment of victims of apartheid".

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#90263d2370 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SOFIA (SEPT 20) - Some 15,000 supporters of the recently renamed communist party demonstrated here on Thursday, three days before the party, which is still in power, holds a congress.

"No to adventurism and demagoguery" and "Stability and security" were typical of the slogans displayed on placards during the demonstration.

The congress is designed to give a reformist image to the Bulgarian Socialist Party, which is seeking to bury the memory of the totalitarian policies it imposed in the days when it was called the Communist Party.

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#90263d2500 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT 20) - The French textile and communications group Chargeurs said Thursday its net profit was up 67 percent over last year's but activities had been slowing down in the first half of 1990.

Profits stood at 1.539 billion francs (292 million dollars) following net gains of 1.549 billion francs (293.6 million dollars) in the transfer to Air France of 54.6 percent of Chargeurs' capital in the French UTA airline.

But net turnover tumbled by 41.7 percent to 6.1 billion francs (1.16 billion dollars) from 10.4 billion francs (1.9 billion dollars) last year due to the pullout from UTA and the decline of the textile sector.

Turnover of Chargeurs' textile sector was down 18 percent to 5.1 billion francs (966 million dollars) in the first half of 1990 from 6.2 billion dollars (1.18 billion dollars) last year.

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#90263d2520 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 20) - Air France is about to sign an agreement with USAir aimed at coordinating schedules and services by the two airlines and easing transfers between their aircraft, informed sources said here Thursday.

Air France would not comment on the report.

Air France flies to a dozen U.S. cities but bilateral agreements do not authorize the French national airline to pick up and drop off passengers inside the United States.

USAir and Air France have a turnover of between 30 and 35 billion francs (5.69 billion to 6.63 billion dollars) each but the U.S. carrier transported 61 million passengers last year, as compared to 16 million by Air France.

USAir has 420 aircraft and provides regular flights to about 130 destinations in North America and Britain.

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#90263d2550 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAARBRUECKEN, West Germany (SEPT 20) - West German porcelain manufacturer Villeroy und Boch on Thursday announced it has taken over its former plant in Torgau, East Germany.

The takeover became effective following agreement by the East German holding Treuhandanstalt tasked to privatize all state-run enterprises in soon-to-vanish East Germany.

The deal provides for the West German company to pay for liabilities of the Torgau plant which employs 550 people, while Treuhandanstalt will keep its assets.

Villeroy und Boch plans to cut 150 jobs but says it will invest 20 million Deutsche marks (12.7 million dollars) to modernize workshops in Torgau, which the company says were Europe's most modern when they opened in 1926.

Villeroy und Boch was expropriated without compensation by the communist authorities 42 years ago in what was then the Soviet-occupied zone of Germany.

The company is the number three in the world porcelain market and posted a consolidated turnover of 1.45 billion marks (924 million dollars) and a consolidated net profit of 35.7 million marks (22.8 million dollars) last year.

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#90263d2660 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 20) - Representatives of the nine countries in the Western European Union (WEU) Thursday called for a "joint command structure" of member forces in the Gulf region.

In a report adopted by the defence committee, the WEU Assembly urged "immediate government-level consultations aimed at creating a joint structure of command and operations" in the Gulf.

"We all wish to rapidly set up an integrated European command", Belgian legislator Armand de Decker, the defence committee's deputy chairman, said.

Dutch Deputy Jaap Hoop Scheffer said that a lot had to be done before "the final stage" of a joint command could be reached.

The report is to be submitted to the Council of the WEU which consists of the foreign ministers of the member states.

A report on the political aspects of the Gulf crisis called on the council to speed up plans for creating an "effective European defence organization".

"We have done more in 40 days than in 40 years", French Senator Robert Pontillon said, referring to two special council meetings here on August 21 and last Tuesday.

France has been pressing for the WEU to be reactivated as Europe's only defence organisation, while WEU Secretary-General Willem van Eekelen has said that NATO was not the right forum for "joint action" in a theatre outside the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation zone, running to the eastern Mediterranean.

WEU countries have 32 ships in the Gulf. France and Britain are also to deploy land forces and fighter aircraft shortly, and Italy and the Netherlands will send aircraft to the region.

The WEU which comprises all EEC countries except Greece, Denmark and Ireland

Tuesday called on the U.N. Security Council to extend the international embargo against Iraq to air traffic and agreed to coordinate their own ground and air forces.

A 10-point statement issued by foreign and defence ministers after a two-hour meeting here said the nine countries would themselves "take all further measures necessary, as soon as possible for the full and effective enforcement of the embargo, with particular attention to air traffic."

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#90263d2760 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 20) - Crisis-hit industrial conglomerate Polly Peck International saw its shares suspended here Thursday after they lost more than half their value in the wake of a series of rumours about the company which swept the market.

The stock exchange suspended the shares "pending an announcement", and later the Serious Fraud Office searched the London office of a fund management company connected with Polly Peck chairman Asil Nadir's family.

Polly Peck's market capitalisation was cut by around 580 million pounds in the slide.

The suspension news contributed to a fall on the London stock market which was down 2.6 per cent. Polly Peck is a significant-sized company, turning over almost 900 million pounds in first half 1990.

It has interests in activities ranging from fresh fruit (Del Monte Foods) to electronics (Sansui).

But the company is also highly leveraged, and there are concerns that Mr. Nadir will be unable to pay for some of the 28 per cent stake he has built up recently when the payment deadline for the current trading account arrives next Monday.

The shares fell 135 pence to 108 pence ahead of the suspension, as a series of rumours about the company, including one report that Turkish-born Mr. Nadir had been assasinated, swept through the market.

Thursday's debacle followed an extraordinary sequence of events which hit the company's share price down from over 400 pence in early August.

On August 11, chairman Asil Nadir announced a plan to buy back the 74 per cent of the company's capital not already under his control. Five days later he withdrew the proposition.

The stock exchange authorities criticised Mr. Nadir for not following proper

stock market procedures, and sent copies of its report to the Department of Trade and Industry and the Serious Fraud Office.

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#90263d2780 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT 20) - Typhoon Flo has left 29 people dead, 84 injured and nine missing since it struck Japan, police said in announcing a new toll Thursday.

Damage was reported in 43 prefectures in southern Japan, where at least 12 people were killed in mudslides Tuesday, with Kagoshima the most severely affected.

The typhoon, which reached here Monday, is the worst to hit Japan in 29 years. On Thursday afternoon it was moving toward the Pacific Ocean after sweeping across central Japan overnight, with rain lashing the Tokyo region.

Mudslides were reported in nearly 500 places, while 288 roads were cut off and more than 22,000 homes flooded, police said.

In several prefectures in central Japan, some 720,000 homes were without electricity Thursday.

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#90263d3000 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) - Iraqi soldiers last week abducted another American citizen from Kuwait, the State Department disclosed Thursday, bringing the number of U.S. nationals detained against their will to 83.

Spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said the man was taken to a Baghdad hotel on Tuesday where an American consular official, after repeated requests, was allowed to speak with him and two other detainees.

The three had been in good health, Tutwiler said. The U.S. had no knowledge of their current whereabouts.

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#90263d3040 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 20) - Saudi authorities, at odds with Jordan over the Gulf crisis, have begun to expel and harass members of the 300,000-strong Jordanian community in the kingdom, witnesses and travellers have reported.

Saudi Arabia has also imposed restrictions on Jordanian imports and has caused disruption in the transport sector by making it difficult for trucks registered here to receive entry permits, transportation officials said.

"Under the pretext of looking for drugs, (Saudi) border officials wrecked my truck," said one driver, an experience several other travellers wishing to enter Saudi Arabia said they had also suffered.

Travellers have also complained of being forbidden to bring supplies bought in Saudi Arabia into Jordan.

"They emptied the bottle of (cooking) oil I was carrying and stamped on the cookies and chocolates," recalled one traveller.

Witnesses have reported expulsions of Jordanians and unjustified dismissals of others who have worked in Saudi Arabia for years.

Jordanian Prime Minister Moudar Badran, acknowledging that Jordanians are under pressure in Saudi Arabia, told journalists here the government "is determined to resolve the problems on the basis of mutual understanding.

"We hope that the differences in our approaches to the (Gulf) situation will not jeopardize Jordanians and will not affect the interests of our people, for that would unjustifiably complicate things," he added.

Saudi Arabia was quick to condemn the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2 while Jordan has shown some sympathy for Baghdad, notably at an Arab summit August 10 where it abstained on a resolution denouncing the seizure of the Gulf emirate.

Saudi Arabia on Wednesday announced that it was restricting the entry and stay of certain foreigners in the country, a measure regional sources said was aimed at Yemen, another Arab state that has shown support for Iraq.

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#90263d3070 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (SEPT. 20) - Conservative Prime Minister Constantin Mitsotakis returns Thursday to a country paralyzed for the second day by a general strike, angry at not having been chosen for the 1996 Olympics, short of cash because of a long bank strike and beset by endless power cuts.

Mr. Mitsotakis, who had flown to Tokyo accompanied by a star-studded 200-member delegation aimed at impressing the 86-member International Olympic Committee with Athens' resolve and sophistication, returned a day earlier than expected, officially to avoid a typhoon.

"Out of the typhoon, into the tempest," headlined one Athens paper.

The two-day general strike was called to protest plans for broad cutbacks in salaries, benefits and pensions in the public sector, which amounts to 70 per cent of the economy.

The plans are to be submitted on Tuesday to the parliament, where the conservatives have a majority of one. The government has refused to negotiate with the two labor confederations that called the strike, saying the plan will be discussed only in parliament.

The strike is the fifth since the conservative government took office, but the first to last two days since World War II.

Athens, where four million of the 10 million Greeks live, had been planning celebrations to celebrate its being chosen as a venue for the 1992 Olympics, which will be held 100 years after the first modern Olympics were held here.

Although the pollution level soared to 50 per cent above the alert level to 332 milligrams of carbon dioxide per cubic meter, Athenians had prepared a multitude of functions to celebrate the "right" choice, including a parade of sportsmen and several concerts. Even the stock exchange average rose 6.8 per cent on Tuesday in anticipation of a favourable decision.

A crowd, many holding balloons in Greece's colors of white and blue, had gathered on Constitution Square to watch on a giant television screen the live announcement of the choice.

When the word "Atlanta" was pronounced, a stunned silence fell over the crowd. Cannons did not boom, balloons went unrealeased and hopes for a four-billion dollar urban renewal plan linked to the Olympics, half of it funded by the European Economic Community, evaporated.

The plan would have included a new subway system, a new airport, many new stadiums and a new telephone system.

"It's the victory of Coca Cola (headquartered in Atlanta) over the Olympic spirit," said one disgruntled bystander, echoing a widely-held view.

The disappointment was all the more infuriating for the many Greeks who believe, as President Constantin Caramanlis has often argued, that the Olympics, begun in Greece in the 7th century BC, should be permanently sited here.

On Thursday, Athens faced traffic problems of gridlock proportions. Power cuts intermittent over the past 10 days, increased dramatically, and firefighters were called hundreds of times to free people caught in stalled elevators.

Greek-owned banks were closed for the 14th consecutive day, creating huge cash problems for both individuals and companies. The bank employees, who have their own pension and benefits plan, are seeking to prevent the government from placing them under the general regimen for civil servants.

The government has asked Greeks to support it through two years of austerity aimed at curbing 22 per cent inflation, four times the West European average, and at cutting a public debt that has topped 100 billion dollars.

But when he requested an "Olympic truce" for the days before the Games venue decision, Mr. Mitsotakis found the unions entirely unsympathetic.

The president of the chamber of commerce, Andreas Kyriasis, said: "Industry is paralyzed by the chaos of an unproductive, parasitic public sector."

Government spokesman Byron Polydoras didn't help matters when he answered a query on the extent of the strike by saying: "Two civil servants in eight are working, which is about normal."

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#90263d3100 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (SEPT. 20) - South African President Frederik de Klerk will spend two full working days in Washington next week, during which he will meet President George Bush, according to his itinerary released Thursday by the foreign ministry Thursday.

The last South African leader to be invited to the United States was South African Prime Minister Jan Smuts in 1946.

Mr. De Klerk, who arrives at Washington's Andrews Airforce base early Sunday, will Monday meet U.S. Secretary of State James Baker before seeing President Bush.

Mr. Baker will meet Mr. De Klerk and South African Foreign Affairs Minister Pik Botha for a second time during the two-day visit.

The South Afrian president will later meet secretary of the treasury Nicholas Brady. They will be joined by South African Finance Minister Barend du Plessis who is currently attending a meeting of the International Monetary Fund in Washington.

Among other engagements Tuesday he will go both to the Senate and to the House of Representatives where he will have a closed-door meeting with the speaker Thomas Foley and members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

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#90263d3110 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 20) - An anti-riot policeman was shot dead in a commercial district in the Philippine capital Thursday after three days of leftist protest rallies, police said.

The killing followed a pattern of assassinations by communist insurgent death squads, who have killed about 200 policemen, soldiers and civilians in Manila in the last three years.

The dead police corporal's unit had been active at protest demonstrations by leftist groups who have been protesting continuing talks on the presence of U.S. military bases in the Philippines.

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#90263d3180 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KINSHASA (SEPT 20) - Zairean authorities have assured the U.S. ambassador here that the trial of those responsible for a bloody crackdown on students in Lubumbashi will take place "soon and in public", the ambassador said here Thursday.

William Harrop, speaking to Zairean journalists, added that Washington viewed the May 11 incident on the campus in the southern copper town, as "very serious, though it has not been possible to establish a toll of the victims".

The official version of events is that Shaba Province governor Koyagialo Ngbaba, currently under house arrest here, sent a commando squad on to the campus to deal with politically motivated student trouble, and one student was killed and 13 seriously injured.

A Zairean parliamentary commission found that at least two people had been killed and 29 hurt, saying that there had been a "massacre" but adding that it was not possible accurately to determine the number of victims.

Amnesty International and Belgian press reports have said that between 100 and 150 students were massacred. The incident soured already difficult relations between Kinshasa and Brussels.

Lubumbashi is the main town in Shaba Province, which tried to secede when the former Belgian Congo became independent.

Mr. Harrop also said Thursday that the Zairean press had a major "contribution to make to the development of democracy in Zaire", where President Mobutu Sese Seko has this year begun opening the way to a multi-party system.

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#90263d3190 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (SEPT 20) - The million-strong Congress of South African Trade Unions (COSATU) Thursday welcomed the South African cabinet's acceptance of recommendations by unions and employers on changes to controversial labor laws.

The Cabinet decision, announced earlier Thursday by Manpower Minister Eli Louw

is likely to end a 14-month campaign against the Labour Relations Act (LRA) by COSATU which has used protests, boycotts, mass strikes, pickets and factory floor demonstrations to back its demands that the act be changed.

As part of its campaign, COSATU had called a one-day national strike on October 8 followed by two days of industrial protest, but Mr. Louw said the trade union federation had agreed to drop the call.

The Cabinet decision, COSATU said in a statement, was a "victory for workers" but should be "tempered with some caution".

"Should the parliamentary standing committee tamper with the proposed legislative changes in any way then the whole process may revert back to square one," COSATU said.

COSATU and its main trade union rival, the National Council of Trade Unions (NACTU), claim the LRA is anti-unionist -- a view shared by the main employers' body, the South African Consultative Council on Labour Affairs (SACCOLA).

Mr. Louw told a press conference here that changes to the act were agreed upon by himself and representatives of COSATU, NACTU and SACCOLA last week and represented a "milestone on the road to internationally accepted labour laws".

The main change to the LRA would be on the definition of an unfair labour practice, he said.

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#90263d3270 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMRITSAR, India (SEPT. 20) - A total of 299 Bangladesh nationals had arrived in India by Thursday on their way home from Kuwait by road through Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan, witnesses said.

The latest batch of some 120 refugees were greeted by Bangladesh diplomats based in India when they entered the Wagha border checkpost in the northern Indian state of Punjab from Pakistan Thursday.

The group travelled to the Indian border in some 35 vehicles after fleeing Kuwait following the August 2 Iraqi invasion, the witnesses said.

Bangladesh diplomats said that some 179 Banglashis had arrived in India in the same way in the last two days, adding that the high commission (embassy) in New Delhi would be arranging their onward juourney to Dhaka.

The diplomats said they expected those already in India to reach Dhaka in a week's time.

More of Bangladesh nationals from Kuwait were expected to return through the

same land route in the coming weeks.

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#90263d3380 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (SEPT 20) - The Chinese government Thursday warned countries with which it has diplomatic relations against allowing anti-Beijing activities by overseas Chinese dissidents.

"We are resolutely opposed to any country (which) has established diplomatic relations with China to let those criminals lead activities in their territory " Foreign Affairs Ministry spokeswoman Li Jinhua told a weekly press briefing here.

Referring to the opening this week in the United States of the Federation for Democracy in China (FDC), Ms. Li said: "The purpose of that organization is to overthrow the Chinese government."

"Some of the leaders are criminals wanted by Chinese public security departments for staging the counter-revolutionary rebellion in Beijing," she added.

The FDC, one of the main Chinese dissident organizations abroad since the pro-democracy movement was crushed in June last year, is to begin a three-day congress in the suburbs of San Francisco on September 22.

The purpose of the meeting, whose opening coincides with that of the Beijing Asian Games, is to elect leaders and define a new strategy to fight for democracy in China.

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#90263d3630 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HONG KONG (SEPT 21) - Chinese Premier Li Peng told former Japanese prime minister Noboru Takeshita during a meeting in Beijing Thursday that he appreciated efforts that have improved bilateral relations.

"It has not been easy for Sino-Japanese relations to reach the present level, therefore the two sides should treasure the accomplishment," the official New China News Agency (NCNA) quoted Mr. Li as saying.

He thanked Mr. Takeshita for his efforts in developing bilateral relations and said he was "optimistic" they would continue to improve.

Mr. Takeshita told Mr. Li he believed the 11th Asian Games, which open in the Chinese capital Saturday, would strengthen China's ties with Japan and contribute to peace in Asia, NCNA said in a dispatch monitored here.

The former Japanese prime minister, who resigned in last year on the heels of a financial scandal, conveyed greetings from the current premier, Toshiki Kaifu, and handed Mr. Li a letter from Mr. Kaifu, the news agency said.

Japanese politicians and businessmen are working actively to restore links 15 months after international sanctions were imposed on China following the crackdown on the pro-democracy movement here, observers said.

Education Minister Kosuke Hori was due in Beijing Friday for a three-day visit while a 40-member delegation of Japanese business leaders has been here since Sunday working on renewing a trade agreement, Japanese sources said.

Although Mr. Hori has said he will have no contact with Chinese leaders during his stay, he would be the first cabinet minister from the Group of Seven (G-7) leading industrialized democracies to visit China since the crackdown last June.

Mr. Takeshita and Mr. Hori, who is also sports minister, were due to attend the Asian Games opening ceremony on Saturday.

The Japan-China Association on the Economy and Trade, which arrived Sunday for a five-day visit, was being led by Eishiro Saito, president of Keidanren, the powerful association of Japanese industrial employers.

The delegation held talks with Mr. Li on Tuesday and met President Yang Shangkun on Wednesday.

Tokyo has been the G-7 country most inclined to restoring economic relations with China and announced in July that it was unblocking a 5.4 billion dollar loan to Beijing after gaining approval for the move from the United States.

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#90263d3750 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) - Kuwait's ambassador to the United Nations has accused Iraq of evicting some 1,600 handicapped persons, orphans and elderly from health centers in Kuwait City.

In a letter to U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar dated September 19 and made public Thursday, Ambassador Mohammad Abulhasan said 28 of those cast into the streets had died from lack of medical care.

He said Iraqi troops had carried out the operation Sunday.

Since Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait August 2, Mr. Abulhasan has repeatedly denounced reported Iraqi abuses.

The U.N. Security Council has already adopted seven resolutions condemning

Iraqi actions, and is preparing to adopt an eighth which would extend a land and sea embargo to air traffic.

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#90263d4050 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 20) - The United States said Thursday it was not seeking a permanent presence in Saudi Arabia, but was concerned about the long-time security arrangements in the region.

Defense Department spokesman Pete Williams denied press reports that some Pentagon officials were considering a permanent military presence in the Gulf once the current crisis has been resolved.

The Wall Street Journal, citing high-level U.S. military officers who spoke on condition of anonymity, reported that this plan included the permanent deployment of 10,000 U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, guaranteed access to air bases throughout the Gulf and the stockpiling of arms and equipment in the region.

"No one has been given the task of doing that kind of long-term planning," Mr. Williams said.

He pointed out that Defense Secretary Dick Cheney had repeatedly indicated that U.S. troops would remain in Saudi Arabia as long as the Saudi government wanted them there.

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#90263d4200 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 20) - Iraq wants to hook up its oil pipeline network with Iran's in order to sell oil through a U.N.-mandated trade embargo, but Teheran has not yet responded to the request, U.S. officials said Thursday.

They said such a link could be completed in a month, and would allow Iraq to export up to 500,000 barrels a day in exchange for badly needed cash, food and medical supplies.

One of Iraq's major pipelines, which runs along the Shatt-al-Arab waterway, at one point is just eight kilometers (five miles) from a major Iranian pipeline that goes into Iran's refinery at Abadan, said U.S. intelligence experts who asked not to be named.

Iraq had been exporting some 2.7 million barrels of crude oil daily before its August 2 invasion of Kuwait brought on a worldwide commercial embargo.

Iran has agreed to abide by that embargo.

But U.S. official note that warming relations between Iran and Iraq could be in Teheran's interests.

Iraq has already returned thousands of Iranian prisoners of war and withdrawn troops from territory taken during the 1980-88 Gulf war.

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#90263d4300 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 20) - The U.S. Defense Department Thursday ordered a 50 percent increase in the number of reserves for active duty in the U.S military buildup in the Gulf.

The latest call-up of 7,106 soldiers and airmen brings to 21,000 the number of reserves activated for Operation Desert Shield, which was prompted by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait August 2.

In addition, sources said Defense Secretary Dick Cheney might order up some 30,000 more reservists by the end of next week.

Meanwhile Thursday, the Pentagon reaffirmed its confidence in the F-117, or stealth bomber, which can avoid radar detection, despite reports that the plane had been detected while flying over Saudi Arabia.

"The F-117 flies in a slightly different configuration when it's trying to avoid radar detection," said Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams. "It's not surprising someone is able to track it when it's flying training missions."

The French magazine Express, citing sources close to the Saudi military, said the F-17s had been detected by French radar 17 kilometers (11 miles) away.

"The F-117 has been tested against numerous radar systems and we have full confidence in its capabilities," an official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, told Express.

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#90263d4340 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (SEPT 21) - The U.N. Security Council appealed to rival Khmer factions Thursday to reach prompt agreement on picking a chairman for the newly formed Supreme National Council to oversee Cambodia's transition to peace.

In a unanimous resolution, the 15 council members urge ''all parties to the conflict to exercise maximum self-restraint so as to create the peaceful climate required to facilitate the achievement and the implementation of a comprehensive political settlement.''

Going into the council meeting, delegations from the United States and Vietnam

conferred for the third time on the Cambodia issue. Vietnam, whose troops marched into Cambodia in 1979 to end the bloody rule of terror of the Khmer Rouge, back the regime in Phnom Penh.

Direct negotiations between the former warring parties became possible after the United States, in a surprise move in July, withdrew its support for the Cambodian resistance coalition, the storngest arm of this is the Khmer Rouge.

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#90263d4450 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 20) - The U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Thursday told Congress the United States should pay its 500 million dollars in back U.N. dues because of the U.N. role in the Gulf crisis.

Although several other member-states are in arrears, the United States owes the most, Thomas Pickering told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee here.

"I am disturbed and chagrined by the fact that we are now the largest debtor. Our relationship in the (U.N.) Security Council in recent weeks has not been made any easier by our particular posture," he said.

Other large U.N. debtors include the Soviet Union, which owes the world body 170 million dollars, and South Africa, which owes some 37 million dollars, he said.

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#90263d4480 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 21) - American forces are in for an indefinite deployment in Saudi Arabia, according to reports Thursday.

Pentagon sources quoted by CBS news said the Pentagon sees no contradiction in planning for a longterm troop presence in the Gulf and President George Bush's assurances that U.S. forces will only remain there until Iraqi President Saddam Hussein withdraws his occupation forces from Kuwait.

The troop buildup is now essentially completed, Cbs news said, quoting Pentagon sources, now that the 1st Armoured Cavalry Divison has departed Texas for bases in Saudi Arabia.

The Pentagon is said to be planning to maintain a military presence in Saudi Arabia for as long as Iraq poses a threat. Cbs news said the Pentagon was planning a six-month troop rotation in keeping with the president's promise not to keep men over there indefinitely.

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said such considerations had not been authorized at top administration levels or by Joint Chiefs of Staff General

Colin Powell.

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#90263d4620 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT 20) - President George Bush has thanked his Argentine counterpart Carlos Menem pledging to send Argentine forces and warships to the Gulf as part of a U.S.-led multinational force to deter Iraqi invasion troops in Kuwait from further military action, the White House said Thursday.

"The United States welcomes the announcement by Argentina that it is sending two ships to join the international effort in the Gulf," said presidential spokesman Roman Popadiuk.

"Last night the president sent a personal message to President Menem...thanking him for this strong and courageous action," he said.

Tuesday, Argentine Foreign Minister Domingo Cavallo said Buenos Aires was deploying the warships, a transport aircraft, and a battalion of paratroopers to the Gulf in an effort to avoid "total war" between Iraq and the international force opposing its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Thursday, an Argentine Navy spokesman said the Argentine forces would depart for the Gulf September 25.

Mr. Menem's decision to participate in the multinational military force in the Middle East "shows Argentina's support for the world community efforts to uphold international law and bring about an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait," Mr. Popadiuk said.

"Argentina is the first country of Latin America or the Caribbean to dispatch forces to cooperate in this effort," he added.

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#90263d8740 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 20) - Westerners fleeing Kuwait who arrived at Gatwick airport late Wednesday from Baghdad told of deteriorating conditions in the occupied country and warned of an outbreak of epidemics.

The 416 Westerners, who arrived aboard an Iraqi Airways Boeing 747 chartered by the U.S. embassy in Baghdad, were mostly women and children and included some 100 Americans, 37 Britons and a few men, according to an airport spokesman.

Medicine and food staples have become rare, according to witnesses, and the streets of Kuwait are strewn with garbage and overrun by hundreds of rats.

"There is almost nothing. We have got water, but that is about all," said a passenger from the state of Utah, who asked to remain anonymous.

"Some people think Kuwait City has been heavily damaged, but it is not. It is dirty. Sickness will probably spread very quickly if nobody cleans the town," he said.

Heidi Storey, an American married to a Kuwaiti, said that 11 members of her family were being held prisoner.

"They have stolen and burnt everything. There is nothing in Kuwait now. I could not take my child safely to the doctor anymore. And you can't get medecine," she said.

"Many of the soldiers are children. Ssome of these men have been two years away from their families. They have raped young Kuwaiti girls as young as 14, 15, 16," asserted Mrs. Storey.

She also said that Iraqi troops had killed 12 doctors while taking away medical equipment and had destroyed 25 homes after one Iraqi soldier was found dead.

Several hundred Iraqis, including several among the 31 expelled on Monday by the British government, were waiting early Thursday at Gatwick to return home, aiport sources said.

Another flight carrying Westerners from Kuwait is scheduled for early next week.

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#90263d8830 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 20) - Asian companies have bought management rights on several forests from the New Zealand government, Forestry Minister Jim Sutton has said.

In a statement late Wednesday night he said a Hong Kong Chinese company, Wenita, has bought two forests in the South Island for 115 million New Zealand dollars (71 million dollars U.S.). Wenita comprises the Hong Kong based Togen Ltd. and China trading corporation Wide Shine Developments Ltd.

Planted in exotic timbers, the forests cover 20,579 hectares (50,830 acres).

A Japanese venture has paid 40.55 million dollars (25.14 million dollars) for a 10,803 ha (26,683 acre) forest in the Wairarapa province 100 kilometres (60 miles) east of here, Mr. Sutton said.

The companies in the deal are Juken Sangyo, a forestry processing company

controlling 75 percent of the venture, and Nissho Iwai, Japan's sixth largest trading company.

As a result of previous purcheses, both from the state and from private interests, Nissho Iwai now has a total of 200,000 hectares (500,000 acres) of pine plantations in New Zealand.

A spokesman for Nissho Iwai in New Zealand said the joint venture was committed to further processing of timber in this country.

Juken Sangyo is a major producer of secondary processed plywoods, especially in fittings, flooring, and doors, as well as laminated veneer timber.

The New Zealand government has now sold management rights to 198,000 ha (495,000) acres) of forests, reaping 862 million dollars (534 million dollars) in revenue. About the same area remains to be sold.

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#90263d8860 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 20) - Hitachi Ltd., Japan's largest computer equipment maker, said Thursday it has discovered a new superconducting material which functions at the highest critical temperature yet known of 130 degrees Kelvin (minus 143 degrees Celsius).

Hitachi researchers said, while many copper oxide-system high temperature superconductors had already been discovered, the new material was a non-copper system superconductor and its main component was vanadium.

The vanadium oxide-based composite material also includes thallium and strontium, the researchers said.

The new material is expected to contribute considerably to superconductivity research and could be used in coils of superconductive electric magnets, they said, adding that Hitachi had filed six patents in Japan.

The previous highest known critical temperature for a copper oxide-based superconductor was 122 Kelvin (minus 151 degrees Celsius), they said.

Superconductors conduct electricity with zero resistance, but have so far been found to operate only at extremely low temperatures, requiring expensive cooling equipment.

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#90263d8980 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 20) - Average land prices in Japan have soared 13.7 percent in the past year, registering the first double-digit year-to-year increase on

record, the National Land Agency reported Thursday.

The report was based on some 25,300 real estate prices registered July 1.

Land prices rose 7.2 percent in the same period the previous year.

Prices in residential areas jumped 13.2 percent while business district prices went up 13.4 percent on average, the report said.

The highest price was recorded in Tokyo's Ginza shopping district at 38 million yen (277,000 dollars) per square meter.

The most expensive residential plot was located in the Sanbancho district in Tokyo's Chiyoda ward, fetching 12.5 million yen (91,000 dollars) per square meter.

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#90263d9240 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (SEPT. 20) - Zambia Consolidated Copper Mines (ZCCM) said Thursday its net profit rose 44 percent in the year to March 31, to 2.6 billion kwacha (81 million dollars) from 1.8 billion (56 million dollars).

Pre-tax profit more than doubled to 5.6 billion kwacha (175 million dollars) against 2.7 billion kwacha (84 million dollars) the previous year.

The company said the improved results were largely due to favourable exchange rates and cost containment.

"There was a considerable improvement in the performance of ZCCM profit during the financial year under review due to the depreciation of the kwacha against the U.S. dollar and also the firmness in metal prices," ZCCM chief executive Francis Kaunda said in a statement.

Finished copper on company account, at 448,468 tonnes, was eight percent higher than that achieved the previous year, Mr. Kaunda said.

Production of finished cobalt was 424 tonnes lower at 4,447 tonnes, while zinc production continued to decline, although this trend "is expected to be halted later this year," he added.

Copper is Zambia's major foreign exchange earner and there has been growing concern over the depletion of ore reserves, but the company said many copper-bearing ores were being evaluated to determine their potential for economic exploitation.

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#90263d9260 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (SEPT. 20) - A leading Indonesian finance expert has called on the government to make judicious use of the country's windfall profit resulting from high oil prices, press reports said here Thursday.

The use of the profit, some 500 million dollars for every one dollar per barrel rise in price, should be used so as not to add to the inflation rate,

Presidential Advisor Ali Wardhana was quoted by the Kompas daily as saying.

Jakarta, dependent on oil and gas exports for almost half its revenue, based its budget for the current fiscal year, ending March 1991, on an oil price of 16.50 dollars a barrel.

But prices this week have reached 33 dollars a barrel on Western markets, the highest since 1982, as a result of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Wardhana, former coordinating minister for economic affairs, did not make any specify proposal, saying that it was up to the present coordinating minister for economic affairs and the finance minister to decide on the use of the money.

But he warned that gains from high oil prices could also be reduced substantially as a result of recession in industrial countries and the subsequent fall in the purchasing power of the dollar.

He said that the repayment of the country's foreign debts, expecially those incurred on commercial terms, should be given high priority.

Indonesia's foreign debts stand at around 50 billion dollars.

What was left over should be used to finance public projects with high import content which Mr. Wardhana said would not have an inflationary impact.

He said the current inflation rate stood at around seven per cent, adding that "this high inflation rate should be pressured down so as to prevent the country's development from being overheated."

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#90263d9330 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 20) - Malaysia expects foreign exchange earnings from a booming tourism industry to soar to four billion dollars (1.48 billion U.S.) this year, almost double earlier projections, press reports said Thursday.

"The tourism industry is Malaysia's gold mine," Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad said in northern Penang state Wednesday.

He said future earnings could soar "if we treat visitors well and make hospitality and efficiency part of Malaysian culture."

Tourism officials said results so far of Visit Malaysia Year had exceeded their most optimistic expectations with visitor arrivals soaring to 4.6 million during the first eight months of this year, 68 per cent up on the same period last year.

Malaysia's foreign exchange earnings from visitors during that time totalled 2.74 billion dollars (one billion U.S.), Dr. Mahathir said.

"At the rate tourists are comming I think we can top the five million mark this year," Sabbaruddin Chik, the Culture and Tourism Minister, said recently.

He said hotels were full and tour operators were finding it difficult to get accommodation, particularly in Kuala Lumpur, widely regarded as the cheapest of major cities in the Asia-Pacific region.

Some 70 per cent of the tourists come from Malaysia's immediate neighbours, particularly Singapore, Indonesia and Thailand, officials said.

The government drew up an elaborate calendar for Visit Malaysia Year focusing on more than 100 festivities that sought to exploit the country's diversity of races, religions and cultures.

A wide rage of tax incentives were offered hotel and tour operators for overseas promotions, training of personnel and imports of tour buses, among other things, officials said.

Analysts say that at its current pace of expansion, foreign exchange earnings from tourism could soon match those of Malaysia's major commodity exports such as natural rubber which netted 4.3 billion dollars (1.6 billion U.S.) last year.

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#90263d9360 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 20) - White gunmen were among the assailants who mowed down 11 black pedestrians, three of whom died, in the city center here on September 12, according to the South African police.

Police CID chief Lieutenant-General Alwyn Conradie said on Wednesday both white and black gunmen were occupants of a white minibus which drove through the streets of Johannesburg, randomly firing at black pedestrians.

Gen. Conradie said police established the link after investigating the death on Saturday of a white woman critically injured in the shootings.

The city-center massacre is believed to be a spillover from South Africa's worst-ever wave of violence in which more than 700 people have been killed since August 13.

Throughout the conflict, witnesses claimed whites were assisting vigilantes loyal to the conservative Zulu Inkatha Party in attacking township residents, mostly supporters of the black nationalist African National Congress (ANC).

ANC spokeswoman Barbara Hogan told Agence France-Presse on Thursday the organisation had received numerous reports of white involvement in shootings and attacks on residents.

This is the first time that police have indicated that whites could be involved in fuelling the conflict, though President Frederik de Klerk has acknowledged that gangs or small groups of individuals are "organising themselves to kill people, who are innocent bystanders, at random".

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#90263d9410 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 20) - British pharmaceutical group Glaxo Holdings said Thursday its taxable profit rose 13 percent in the year to June 30, to 1.14 billion pounds (2.1 billion dollars) from 1.01 billion (1.9 billion dollars).

Turnover was up 11 percent from the previous year at 2.85 billion pounds (5.3 billion dollars) against 2.57 billion (4.8 billion dollars).

The result was slightly better than market forecasts of profit of around 1.13 billion pounds, and Glaxo shares were boosted 13 pence to 734 pence in London on the news.

Earnings per share were up 15 percent at 53.1 pence from 46.2 and final dividend was set at 15 pence, taking the annual total to 22 pence, up from 17.5 pence the previous year.

The improved figures were largely due to continued growth in sales of Glaxo's main medical products, including the world's leading ulcer treatment Zantac, and came despite the negative effect of the falling dollar and rising pound.

At constant exchange rates, operating profit would have been up 20 percent instead of the 14 percent actually realised, the group said.

Zantac sales soared nine percent and those of treatments for breathing problems were up 17 percent, but the best performance came in the antibiotics division, with sales up 21 percent to represent 17 percent of total turnover.

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#90263d9450 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 20) - The British government on Thursday blocked the planned merger of the guided missile activities of British Aerospace and French state-owned company Thomson-CSF, the Trade and Industry Ministry said.

The Monopolies and Mergers Commission has been asked to conduct an enquiry into the planned Eurodynamics joint venture between the two companies and to give its report by December 31.

The decision was taken on the grounds that the French group was nationalized and that the merger threatened fair competition, the trade and industry ministry said.

-30- 749

#90263d9500 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OSLO (SEPT. 20) - A mystery object inside Norway's territorial waters, believed to be a submarine, is thought to have slipped out to sea after being hunted by Norwegian warships and a navy surveillance plane throughout the night, a navy spokesman said here Thursday.

On Wednesday a frigate fired three missiles close to the suspect object after it was detected on sonar by a Norwegian ship taking part in the NATO exercise "Teamwork 90" currently running in Mid-Norway.

The frigate KNM "Stavanger" issued international warning signals by dropping hand granades in the sea at fixed intervals. But the object, officially termed a "possible submarine", did not surface.

Three anti-submarine missiles were then fired in an attempt to force the object to the surface rather than causing damage, said Defense Command spokesman Per Boethun.

Most likely the "possible submarine" has now taken refuge in international waters, said Mr. Boethun.

The incident Wednesday was the first in Norway where missiles have been fired since a "possible submarine" penetrated the Hardanger fjord on the west coast in 1983.

The Defense Command has not yet decided when to call off the search off the west coast town of Molde.

-30- 1408

#90263d9580 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (SEPT. 20) - San Miguel Corporation (SMC), the Philippines' largest private firm, has applied to set up a food cannery, sources in the company

said here Thursday.

The beer-based food giant, which has diversified into dairy products, processed meat, prawn exports and soft drinks, is applying for tax incentives prior to setting up the cannery, which will initially focus on meat with sauces, the sources said.

The sources would not say how much SMC was expecting to put into the project but Trade Department sources said it would be around 83 million pesos (3.22 million dollars.)

-30- 784

#90263d9630 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (SEPT. 20) - The opposition has moved to censure Treasurer Paul Keating after he admitted Thursday that he had been wrong to tell parliament that Australia's second largest bank was insolvent in 1986.

In a fresh statement to parliament, Mr. Keating said he had accepted assurances from Nobby Clark, managing director of the National Australia Bank (NAB), that the NAB's savings bank "was not technically insolvent."

Introducing a motion of censure, acting opposition leader Peter Reith said the treasurer had misled parliament.

"Your action has the potential to lead to an erosion of public confidence in our financial institutions," he added.

The row began after Mr. Keating accused banks last month of hurting small businesses by failing to cut interest rates.

Mr. Clark riposted that if he ran his bank the way the treasurer ran the national economy, "then I'd be out selling pencils and shoelaces" in the street.

Mr. Keating hit back Wednesday, saying that "in 1986 the (NAB's savings bank) was technically insolvent and it was rescued by the commonwealth (federal government) of Australia."

He added: "Had it not been for cross-subsidies from the trading bank and subsidies from the commonwealth government, Nobby's board would certainly have had him selling shoelaces and pencils."

Mr. Clark counter-attacked, saying that Mr. Keating had confused profitability with insolvency.

In Thursday's retraction, Mr. Keating told parliament: "If we're getting technical, I'm prepared to accept Nobby Clark's assurance that his savings bank

in 1986 was not technically insolvent."

But, he went on: "Obviously, his savings bank was losing money, a point he now concedes himself."

Mr. Keating said that he had alleged that the NAB's savings bank was losing money at the time because it had an excessively high proportion of housing loans fixed at the government-imposed ceiling of 13.5 percent when prevailing interest rates were higher.

The NAB had been saved by the government's housing assistance package in 1986 which boosted the interest rate ceiling for new home loans and provided cash subsidies to banks to help fund loans at 13.5 percent, he said.

-30- 2406

#90263d9710 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 20) - French luxury goods and champagne group Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton (LVMH) said Thursday its net profit rose 23 percent in the first half of this year to 1.24 billion francs (233 million dollars).

Consolidated sales were up two percent over the first half of last year at 8.82 billion francs (1.66 billion dollars) against 8.62 billion (1.62 billion dollars), and the group said it was standing by an earlier forecast of a net profit rise of 15 percent for the full year.

The first half net profit improvement was partly due to lower financial costs, a policy to cover exchange rate fluctuations and the favorable impact of its stake in Guinness.

Well-sustained growth in the Far East, particularly Japan, had compensated for a slowdown in U.S. growth, the group said.

But operating profit fell to 2.33 billion francs to 2.35 billion, largely due to a sharp fall in foreign currencies against the franc which had only been partly offset by exchange rate fluctuation cover operations.

-30- 1212

#90263d9870 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERN (SEPT. 20) - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher arrived Thursday in Bern to start a two-day official visit to Switzerland with the Gulf crisis and European issues expected to dominate bilateral talks.

Switzerland has joined in United Nations sanctions against Iraq.

Thatcher, who has been to Czechoslovakia and Hungary on her current tour, is also expected to discuss the state of negotiations in Brussels on setting up

"a European Economic Sphere" in which Switzerland is particularly interested.

Switzerland is a member of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) which is eager to join in a partnership with the European Economic Community. Talks on the project were due to resume Thursday in Brussels.

After meeting Swiss President Arnold Koller and other officials Thursday, Thatcher will go to Basel on Friday for a visit to the Ciba-Geigy pharmaceutical concern then on to Zurich for a meeting with private businessmen.

-30- 1142
#90263d9880 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 20) - The CMB Packaging group, formed by the merger of the French Carnaud and British MB Group, reported a 2.1 percent fall in operating profits in the first half to 754 million francs (145 million dollars) from 770 million francs in the first half of last year.

Sales fell by 2.3 percent to 11.6 billion francs (2.23 billion dollars) from 11.884 billion francs in the first half of 1989.

-30- 589
#90263d9960 09/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (SEPT. 20) - The South Korean cabinet approved here Thursday an expansionary 38 billion dollar budget draft for 1991, 19.8 percent higher than the current budget, the highest yearly increase since 1983.

At the same time, the cabinet approved a special budgetary supplement for the current year of 3.9 billion dollars.

The 1991 budget draft will be submitted to parliament in October for approval.

Under the draft, defence spending is to reach some 9.6 billion dollars, a rise of 13 percent over 1990 defense outlays and making up some four percent of the South Korean gross national product.

The military spending target represents a victory for the Defense Ministry over the Economic Planning Agency, which had been aiming to keep the defense expenditure rise to below ten percent.

Economic development project spending is targeted for a 33.5 percent increase in 1991, while social welfare outlays are to increase 27.9 percent.

Some critics of the draft in Seoul fear that, together with South Korea's expected GNP growth of 12.9 percent in 1991, the budget could fuel inflation.

-30- 1289
#90263e0037 09/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
RIO DE JANEIRO (SEPT 20) EFE - Malaria and malnutrition have killed off 50 members of the extinction-threatened Amazonian Yanomami Indians so far this year, Brazil's National Indian Foundation (FUNAI) reported Thursday.

Malaria has developed into an uncontrollable disease and many more of the indigenous group will die unless aid and assistance is received urgently, said the report by the government organization.

The document was drawn up by Joao Nicolli Soares, FUNAI's representative for the northern Roraima region where 60 percent of the 10,000-member Yanomami tribe live.

The Yanomami, one of the most primitive tribes on Earth, has been seriously threatened with extinction by the influx into their territory since 1987 of some 40,000 wildcat gold prospectors who have spread disease among the Indians.

Officials estimate that diseases such as malaria and tuberculosis have killed off some 15 percent of the tribe over the past three years.

The Health Ministry calculates that 70 percent of the 6,000 Indians who live in Roraima suffer from malaria, and that even if all goldminers left immediately, the disease would not be controlled for three years.

The FUNAI report came a day after Brazilian President Fernando Collor de Mello authorized the release of dlrs 1.6 million to be used to combat disease among the Yanomamis.

Also Wednesday, Brazil announced it would resurrect its so-called "law of genocide" to try the suspected murderers of two dozen Yanomami Indians since 1987.

The never-used 1956 "law of genocide" carries with it sentences of between 10 and 30 years in prison for those convicted of killing members of ethnic or religious minorities.

Meanwhile, FUNAI, the Army, Air Force, Federal Police and Brazilian Environmental Institut were Thursday to launch a massive operation to destroy more than 100 clandestine runways used by the illegal prospectors.

-30- 2107
#90263e0039 09/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
BUENOS AIRES (SEPT 20) EFE - Argentina registered a dlrs 4.1 billion trade surplus for the first six months of the year, a 66.5 per cent increase over the same period last year, according to government statistics released

Thursday.

Exports for January-June rose 25.7 per cent to reach dlrs 5.86 billion while imports fell 20.1 per cent to dlrs 1.76 billion compared to the same period in 1989, according to the National Institute of Statistics and Census.

The increase in exports was largely due to increased foreign sales of Argentine agricultural produce that farmers were unable to sell on the domestic market, which has shrunk considerably as result of a series of government economic austerity plans.

Earlier this month, the government of President Carlos Menem launched its fifth economic austerity plan in as many months in a bid to stiffle inflation and cut the state's huge fiscal deficit.

-30- 1073

#90263f0605 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 20) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
King 3b	5	2	3	0	Walton cf	5	0	0	0
JBell ss	5	1	2	0	Sandberg 2b	5	1	2	2
VanSlyke cf	5	1	2	2	Grace 1b	5	2	3	0
Bonilla rf	5	1	1	1	Dawson rf	3	1	2	1
Bonds lf	4	2	2	2	May lf	4	1	1	4
Bream 1b	4	1	1	1	Salazar 3b	4	0	0	0
LaValliere c	5	0	4	1	Dunston ss	4	0	2	0
Lind 2b	4	0	1	1	Berryhill c	3	1	0	0
Drabek p	4	0	1	0	Sutcliffe p	0	0	0	0
Power p	0	0	0	0	Bielecki p	0	0	0	0
Patterson p	0	0	0	0	Wilkerson ph	1	0	0	0
					Long p	0	0	0	0
					DClark ph	1	0	0	0
					Pavlas p	0	0	0	0
					MiWilliams p	0	0	0	0
					Varsho ph	1	1	1	0
					Assenmchr p	0	0	0	0
					Villanueva ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	41	8	17	8	Totals	37	7	11	7

Pittsburgh	400	020	110-8
Chicago	000	100	060-7

DP-Chicago 2. LOB-Pittsburgh 8, Chicago 5. 2B-King, Dawson, Varsho, Sandberg. 3B-Van Slyke. HR-Bonds 2 (31), May (1). SB-Van Slyke (14), Bonds (49), Sandberg (24). SF-Bream.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Drabek (W 20-6)	7 1-3	7	5	5	2	6
Power	1-3	3	2	2	0	1
Patterson (S 5)	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	2
Chicago						
Sutcliffe (L 0-2)	2-3	5	4	4	0	0
Bielecki	2 1-3	1	0	0	1	3
Long	2	6	2	2	0	2
Pavlas	2	3	1	1	0	0
MiWilliams	1	2	1	1	0	0
Assenmacher	1	0	0	0	0	2

Umpires-Home, Davis; 1b, Layne; 2b, Runge; 3b, Winters.

T-3:12. A-13,085.

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	4	0	3	0	LoSmith lf	5	0	1	0
Bass rf	4	0	1	0	Treadway 2b	5	1	1	0
WClark 1b	3	0	0	0	Gant cf	3	1	2	0
Mitchell lf	4	0	0	0	Justice rf	2	2	2	3
MaWillims 3b	4	0	0	0	Gregg 1b	3	0	1	1
Decker c	4	1	3	1	Cabrera ph	0	0	0	0
RThompsn 2b	2	0	0	0	MBell 1b	0	0	0	0
TWilson p	0	0	0	0	Blauser ss	4	1	3	0
Santana ss	0	0	0	0	Lemke 3b	4	0	0	0
Riles ph	1	0	0	0	Kremers c	4	0	0	0
Benjamin ss	2	0	0	0	Glavine p	3	0	1	1
Bathe ph	1	0	0	0	Grant p	0	0	0	0
PMcClellan p	0	0	0	0					
Kingery ph	1	0	1	0					
Downs p	2	0	0	0					
Litton 2b	2	0	0	0					
Totals	34	1	8	1	Totals	33	5	11	5

San Francisco	000	100	000-1
Atlanta	200	001	20x-5

E-RThompson. DP-San Francisco 1, Atlanta 1. LOB-San Francisco 8, Atlanta 9. 2B-Justice, Decker, Treadway. HR-Decker (1), Justice (26). SB-Butler (44), Gant 2 (28).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						

Downs (L 1-2)	6	1-3	9	4	4	2	4
TWilson		2-3	1	1	1	1	0
PMcClellan		1	1	0	0	0	0
Atlanta							
Glavine (W 9-11)	7	2-3	6	1	1	2	6
Grant (S 2)	1	1-3	2	0	0	0	1

HBP-Gant by Downs, Grant by P McClellan.

Umpires-Home, Marsh; 1b, Wendelstedt; 2b, West; 3b, Hirschbeck.

T-2:44. A-3,715.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts 3b	5	2	3	0	Javier cf	4	1	2	0
GwHarris p	0	0	0	0	Sharpersn 3b	3	0	1	0
Alomar 2b	5	1	1	0	LHarris 3b	2	0	1	0
JaClark 1b	3	1	1	0	Daniels lf	5	1	1	0
Carter lf	4	1	2	2	Murray 1b	5	1	2	3
Santiago c	5	1	1	4	Brooks rf	3	0	2	0
Templeton ss	5	0	1	1	Dempsey c	3	0	0	0
Jackson cf	4	0	1	0	CGwynn ph	1	0	0	0
Abner rf	1	0	1	0	Hernandez c	0	0	0	0
JeClark rf	4	1	1	0	Samuel 2b	4	0	1	0
Lilliquist p	3	1	1	0	Offerman ss	4	1	1	0
Pagliarulo 3b	2	1	1	2	Valenzuela p	2	0	1	1
					Holmes p	0	0	0	0
					Gonzalez ph	1	0	0	0
					Aase p	0	0	0	0
					Wetteland p	0	0	0	0
					Hansen ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	41	9	14	9	Totals	38	4	12	4

San Diego	000	034	200-	9
Los Angeles	112	000	000-	4

E-Santiago. DP-San Diego 1. LOB-San Diego 9, Los Angeles 9. 2B-Valenzuela, Daniels. HR-Murray (25), Santiago (10), Pagliarulo (4). SB-Roberts 2 (43), Murray (7), Alomar (22).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Lilliquist (W 4-10)	6	7	4	4	2	2
Gw Harris (S 8)	3	5	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles						

Valenzuela	4	2-3	9	3	3	2	2
Holmes (L 0-1)	1	1-3	3	4	4	1	4
Aase		2	2	2	2	1	2
Wetteland		1	0	0	0	0	0

WP-Lilliquist.

Umpires-Home, Rippley; 1b, Darling; 2b, Froemming; 3b, Pulli.

T-3:04. A-26,996.

PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Campusan cf	4	1	1	1	Gilkey lf	2	1	0	0
Ready 2b	3	0	1	2	Zeile 3b	3	1	2	1
CHayes 3b	4	1	2	1	Lankford cf	5	0	0	0
Murphy rf	4	1	2	2	Guerrero 1b	5	0	0	0
Jordan 1b	5	0	0	0	Jose rf	5	1	2	2
Thon ss	4	1	1	0	Pena 2b	3	1	1	0
Chamberln lf	4	2	1	1	Perez p	0	0	0	0
Fletcher c	5	2	2	1	LSmith p	0	0	0	0
Combs p	2	0	1	0	OSmith ss	4	0	2	0
Meadows ph	1	0	0	0	Pagnozzi c	4	0	2	0
Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0	Magrane p	1	0	0	0
Kruk ph	1	0	1	0	Terry p	1	0	0	0
McDowell p	0	0	0	0	Thompson ph	1	0	0	0
					Olivares p	0	0	0	0
					Oquendo 2b	1	0	0	0
Totals	37	8	12	8	Totals	35	4	9	3

Philadelphia	013	200	020-	8
St. Louis	110	020	000-	4

DP-Philadelphia 1. LOB-Philadelphia 9, St. Louis 10. 2B-Zeile 2, Pagnozzi, Murphy. 3B-Campusano, Jose, Thon. HR- Chamberlain (1), Murphy (24), Jose (3). SB-Gilkey 2 (3). SF-Ready, Campusano.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Combs (W 9-9)	5	7	4	4	5	1
Akerfelds	2	0	0	0	1	0
McDowell	2	2	0	0	0	1
St. Louis						
Magrane (L 9-16)	3 2-3	6	6	6	3	4
Terry	2 1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Olivares	1 2-3	4	2	2	1	0
Perez	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

LSmith	1	1	0	0	1	0

Umpires-Home, Quick; 1b, Bonin; 2b, Rennert; 3b, Tata.

T-2:57. A-15,828.

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Larkin ss	4	0	1	0	Yelding cf	5	0	1	0
Morris 1b	4	0	0	0	Candaele 2b	4	1	2	1
Doran 2b	4	0	0	0	Caminiti 3b	5	1	1	1
EDavis lf	3	1	0	0	GDavis 1b	3	1	2	1
O'Neill rf	4	0	0	0	Stubbs lf	3	0	2	0
Sabo 3b	3	0	1	0	Agosto p	0	0	0	0
Reed c	3	0	1	1	Biggio c	3	1	1	0
Duncan ph	1	0	0	0	Ramirez ss	4	0	0	0
Hatcher cf	3	0	0	0	Davidson lf	3	1	2	1
Dibble p	0	0	0	0	Portugal p	2	0	0	0
Jackson p	1	0	0	0	Young cf	1	0	0	0
Layana p	0	0	0	0					
Oester ph	1	0	0	0					
Brown p	0	0	0	0					
Gross p	0	0	0	0					
Winnnghm cf	1	1	1	1					
Totals	32	2	4	2	Totals	33	5	11	4

Cincinnati	000	000	110-	2
Houston	111	011	00x-	5

E-Caminiti 2, Portugal, Sabo. DP-Houston 1. LOB-Cincinnati 5, Houston 10. 2B-Biggio. 3B-Stubbs. HR-Caminiti (4), Winningham (3). SB-E Davis, Stubbs. S-Portugal.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Jackson (L 5-6)	2 2-3	7	3	3	0	1
Layana	1 1-3	0	0	0	2	2
Brown	2 1-3	3	2	2	2	1
Gross	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Dibble	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	2
Houston						
Portugal (W 10-10)	7 1-3	4	2	2	1	5
Agosto (S 4)	1 2-3	0	0	0	1	2

HBP-by Layana (Candaele).

Umpires-Home, Harvey; 1b, Demuth; 2b, Gregg; 3b, Crawford.

T-2:48. A-8,570.

-30- 9276
#90263k0095 09/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 20) KYODO - NKK CORP., A LEADING JAPANESE STEELMAKER, SAID THURSDAY IT HAS AGREED TO BUILD A GALVANIZED STEEL PLANT IN CANADA JOINTLY WITH A CANADIAN STEELMAKER AND A U.S.-BASED NKK SUBSIDIARY.

TO THAT END, THE THREE PARTNERS WILL ESTABLISH A JOINT COMPANY CALLED DNN GALVANIZING CORP., TO BE CAPITALIZED AT 1.2 MILLION CANADIAN DOLLARS.

THE FIRM WILL BE OWNED 50 PERCENT BY DOFASCO INC., CANADA'S TOP STEELMAKER, 40 PERCENT BY NKK, AND 10 PERCENT BY NATIONAL STEEL CORP. (NSC).

NKK SAID IT WILL PROVIDE THE LATEST TECHNICAL KNOW-HOW AS WELL AS MAIN FACILITIES FOR THE PLANT, TO BE BUILT IN HAMILTON, ONTARIO, FOR 200 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

PRODUCTION IS SLATED TO START IN EARLY 1993 WITH AN ANNUAL CAPACITY OF 360,000 TONS.

DOFASCO AND NSC WILL SHARE THE OUTPUT EQUALLY FOR SUPPLY TO MAJOR AUTOMAKERS IN THE U.S., CANADA, AND JAPAN, NKK SAID.

-30- 1041
#90263k0101 09/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
OITA (SEPT. 20) KYODO - TOSHIBA CORP. WILL START SHIPPING TO CLIENTS SAMPLES OF A NEW GENERATION OF COMPUTER MEMORY CHIPS, THE 16-MEGABIT DYNAMIC RANDOM ACCESS MEMORY (DRAM), EARLY NEXT YEAR, THE COMPANY'S PRESIDENT SAID THURSDAY.

JOICHI AOI TOLD REPORTERS FULL-SCALE PRODUCTION OF THE POWERFUL NEW CHIP, WHICH HAS FOUR TIMES THE MEMORY CAPACITY OF THE PRESENT MOST ADVANCED CHIP, WILL BEGIN IN 1992.

A SINGLE 16M DRAM CHIP CAN HOLD INFORMATION EQUIVALENT TO ABOUT 64 PAGES OF A MAJOR ENGLISH-LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER, SUCH AS THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, A VOLUME THAT WOULD REQUIRE 16 ONE-MEGA DRAM CHIPS. THE 1M DRAM IS THE MAIN MEMORY CHIP NOW IN USE, BUT IT IS EXPECTED TO GIVE WAY TO THE 4M DRAM BEFORE LONG.

AOI, HERE TO ATTEND A CEREMONY MARKING THE COMPLETION OF A NEW 4M DRAM PLANT IN OITA, WESTERN JAPAN, SAID SAMPLE 16M DRAM CHIPS WILL BE PRODUCED AT THE NEW PLANT.

FULL-SCALE COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION OF 16M DRAMS WILL BE CARRIED OUT AT ANOTHER CHIP FACTORY TO BE COMPLETED AT THE END OF NEXT YEAR IN YOKKAICHI, MIE

PREFECTURE.

ALL MAJOR JAPANESE SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURERS HAVE ALREADY FINISHED DEVELOPING 16M DRAMS AND ARE PREPARING TO START PRODUCTION.

TOSHIBA'S PRESENT OITA PLANT PRODUCES NINE MILLION 1M DRAM CHIPS AND ONE MILLION 4M DRAM CHIPS A MONTH. WITH THE COMPLETION OF THE NEW OITA FACTORY, TOSHIBA'S TOTAL OUTPUT OF THE 4M DRAM IS EXPECTED TO REACH TWO MILLION CHIPS PER MONTH LATER THIS YEAR.

THE COMPANY PLANS TO BOOST ITS 4M DRAM OUTPUT TO 3.5 MILLION CHIPS PER MONTH A YEAR LATER BY OPERATING THE NEW PLANT AT FULL CAPACITY.

AOI SAID TOSHIBA'S OUTPUT OF 1M DRAM CHIPS IS THE WORLD'S LARGEST. THE COMPANY WANTS TO SET A WORLD PRODUCTION RECORD FOR 4M DRAMS AS WELL, HE ADDED.

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#90263k0103 09/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 20) KYODO - NEC CORP. SAID THURSDAY IT HAS SIGNED CONTRACTS WITH THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT ON TWO JOINT VENTURES TO MAKE ELECTRONIC SWITCHING SYSTEMS AND LARGE-SCALE INTEGRATION (LSI) CHIPS, BOTH THE FIRST SUCH UNDERTAKINGS BY A JAPANESE FIRM.

UNDER ONE CONTRACT, A JOINT VENTURE WILL BE FORMED WITH TIANJIN ZHONGHUAN COMPUTER CO., THE TIANJIN POST AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS ADMINISTRATION, AND SUMITOMO CORP., A MAJOR JAPANESE TRADING FIRM, TO PRODUCE SWITCHING SYSTEMS.

THE OTHER CONTRACT CALLS FOR A JOINT VENTURE WITH SHOUDU IRON AND STEEL CO. TO MANUFACTURE LSIS, WHICH WILL BE USED FOR SWITCHING SYSTEMS INITIALLY BUT FOR HOME ELECTRIC APPLIANCES LATER.

THE TWO PROJECTS WILL COST A TOTAL OF 34,345 MILLION YEN (ABOUT 250 MILLION DOLLARS), NEC SAID.

LOCAL PRODUCTION OF SWITCHING SYSTEMS WILL ENABLE CHINA TO RAISE THE RATIO OF TELEPHONE SETS PER 100 PEOPLE FROM ONE TO THREE SETS BY THE YEAR 2000, THE COMPANY SAID.

WHILE THE JAPANESE AND CHINESE GOVERNMENTS HAVE YET TO APPROVE THE JOINT VENTURES, NEC EXPECTS PERMISSION IN A FEW MONTHS, IT SAID.

THE JOINT VENTURE FOR SWITCHING SYSTEMS, TIANJIN-NEC ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY CO., WILL BE BASED IN TIANJIN. NEC WILL OWN 35 PERCENT AND SUMITOMO 5 PERCENT WHILE THE CHINESE PARTNERS WILL SHARE 60 PERCENT. SUMITOMO WILL SET UP DISTRIBUTION CHANNELS AND SUPPLY MAINTENANCE FOR SWITCHING SYSTEMS.

THE BEIJING-BASED LSI JOINT VENTURE, SHOUGANG-NEC ELECTRONICS CO., WILL BE OWNED 40 PERCENT BY NEC AND 60 PERCENT BY SHOUDOU IRON AND STEEL.

-30- 1712

#90263k0109 09/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 20) KYODO - MITSUBISHI HEAVY INDUSTRIES LTD. SAID THURSDAY IT WILL SHIP 300 COMPUTER-CONTROLLED WIND POWER GENERATORS TO CALIFORNIA.

THE GENERATORS WERE ORDERED BY TOYO MENKA KAISHA LTD., A JAPANESE TRADING HOUSE WHICH OPERATES A POWER GENERATION BASE IN THE TEHACHAPI DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA'S MOJAVE DESERT WITH A LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FIRM, SEAWEST INDUSTRIES INC.

EACH 30-METER-TALL GENERATOR, WITH THREE 12.6-METER-LONG WINGS, PRODUCES 250 KILOWATTS OF ELECTRICITY, ACCORDING TO MITSUBISHI OFFICIALS.

MITSUBISHI SHIPPED 20 SIMILAR GENERATORS TO THE BASE IN 1987 AND ANOTHER 340 LAST YEAR.

THE POWER BASE WILL BE ONE OF THE LARGEST IN THE WORLD WHEN IT IS COMPLETED IN MARCH NEXT YEAR, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 20) KYODO - A SUBSIDIARY OF KOKUSAI DENSHIN DENWA (KDD) SAID THURSDAY IT WILL LAUNCH AN INTERNATIONAL VIDEO TELEPHONE SERVICE FROM TOKYO ON OCTOBER 1.

AN OFFICIAL OF VIDEOCOM INTERNATIONAL CORP. (VIC) SAID IT WILL BE THE WORLD'S FIRST COMPANY TO PROVIDE SUCH A SERVICE.

THE NEW SERVICE WILL BE AVAILABLE AT VIC'S OFFICE IN TOKYO, WITH BOOTHS IN LOS ANGELES AND SINGAPORE. VIC WILL INSTALL VISUAL TELEPHONE SYSTEMS CALLED INVITE 64 AT THE LOCATIONS, THE COMPANY SAID.

THE OVERSEAS BOOTHS WILL BE LOCATED INSIDE EQUAL ACCESS CORP. IN LOS ANGELES AND SINGAPORE TELECOM, THE OFFICIAL SAID.

A 15-MINUTE CALL FROM TOKYO WILL COST 5,500 YEN TO LOS ANGELES AND 6,700 YEN TO SINGAPORE.

VIC PLANS TO EXPAND SERVICE AREAS TO OTHER JAPANESE CITIES AND FOREIGN PLACES, INCLUDING NEW YORK AND LONDON, IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 20) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stock markets are lower: ... The Nikkei loses 123 points. ... In London, the FTSE is down 18 points in early afternoon trading. ... U.S. stocks in London also move lower with the EXMI off 1.44. ... The dollar is down against the yen and up against the pound. ... The long bond yield is at 9.00%. ... CHRYSLER dropped blunt hints that it won't accept a model contract negotiated between GENERAL MOTORS and the UNITED AUTO WORKERS. ... PAN AM says it will eliminate 2,500 jobs, of 8.6% of its workforce by next month. ... BUSINESSLAND is reducing its staff by 10%, or 370 workers and is shrinking its operations. The company also announced that further changes might lie ahead.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

FDIC CHAIRMAN WILLIAM SEIDMAN is scheduled to testify today before the Senate Banking Committee on 1988 government thrift deals. ... The Senate is scheduled to vote on car mileage standards today. ... The IMF/WORLD BANK has numerous meetings scheduled throughout the day

FROM THE BULLS:

JAMES BROCK of "Triad Research" says that he is sticking with his prediction of "new all-time highs for the DJIA" and some other stock averages "by Dec. 13, 1990." He notes that all his indicators are pointing straight up. He has changed his very bearish outlook for bonds and is now very bullish there as well. After Sept. 17-20, 1990. he is calling for "one of the biggest rallies in T-bond trading history." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/19)

"To us, our near-term data is positive, and we could see the Dow rising to 2680 to 2700," says MICHAEL BURKE, editor of "Investors Intelligence." "Our high-low index is showing a shift in momentum from the downside, and there is a lot of cash on the sidelines. Also, the Dow had been showing an ability to come back from morning sell-offs. That's good." ("Investor's Daily", 9/20)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The good news is that the August low should produce another phase of recovery. Those kind of climaxes usually give you a decent market for a couple of months, even though there will be some tests first," says PHILLIP ROTH, technical analyst for DEAN WITTER. The bad news? "I still think it's an interim low within a bear market that has more to run and could stretch out into the early part of next year." Roth says the majority of stocks entered a bear market one year ago and are not in a position to have more than a

temporary recovery. But he doesn't think the ultimate low will be much worse than August: "Something under 2400 -- twenty to twenty-five percent off the top is the worst case and we're already off about eighteen percent." (CNBC "Marketwatch", 9/19)

"The Dow is still in the process of testing its recent lows," says ROBERT WIBBELSMAN, portfolio strategist at KAYNE ANDERSON & CO. in Los Angeles. "The market feels like it wants to do some more work on the downside. One sign of that is the way it was ruthless in cutting

down a favorite stock like Merck." He does however think "we are getting close to a washed-out bottom." ("Investor's Daily", 9/20)

STOCK MARKET:

"Friendless, trendless, directionless, featureless and stuck" is the way HUGH JOHNSON, chief strategist for the FIRST ALBANY CORPORATION, describes the market. "There isn't any event, or expectation of any that'll stir a sense of urgency to move investors off the fence." He argues that investors are "still gun-shy -- very comfortable with substantial cash positions -- sitting this one out." (NYT, 9/20)

"On a short-term basis, we think the Dow is going to hold in this area above 2520," says JIM STANTON this morning at NEW LONDON TRADING PARTNERS. With so much short-term, bearish sentiment, the market could rally 80 to 100 points from current or slightly lower levels. Stanton then sees the market taking out the August lows with a minimum target of 2400 or possibly the mid-2200s. "Trying to bottom fish in here with the weak stocks is suicide ... stay with stocks that look strong." (FNN "World Business Update", 9/20)

"The market was down on Greenspan's comments. He didn't say anything positive " says S.G. WARBURG trader KEN DUCEY. ("USA Today", 9/20)

Though the market still is focused on oil prices, Mr. Greenspan called the tune yesterday, says JACK CONLON, head of equities at ROTHSCHILD INC. "The market didn't get what it expected. It was looking for more significant easing. Instead, the Fed seems to be locked in neutral. That's disappointing." (WSJ, 9/20)

Over the next week the market will be in the critical process of retesting its August lows, says PETER GRENNAN, head of futures trading at SHEARSON LEHMAN. "If it's successful, the market will turn around and we will experience a good rally during October -- which I suppose most traders don't expect to happen, but it could very well happen." Grennan cautions that the Jewish holiday could reduce volume today and tomorrow, thus increasing volatility from options expirations. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/20)

"I don't believe the ingredients have come together for any sustained rally at

this particular point," says MONTE GORDON, director of research at DREYFUS CORP. "I think rather what you would expect and would look for is for the market to kind of find itself a bottom, and that's what it is still trying to do." He says the market "would do well to just hold its ground rather than to worry about if you can start moving up" at this point. He adds, "The market is literally in a sense swimming with values at this point," now may be the time to start considering what you want to buy. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/19)

STOCK TIPS:

Yesterday CHASE MANHATTAN fell 7 1/2% to a 12 year low. Buy it, says ROBERT ALBERTSON, banking industry analyst at GOLDMAN SACHS. Despite uncertainties about the dividend, the stock's overall yield wouldn't be affected that much if the dividend were reduced, says Albertson. "They are taking a very, very serious cut in expenses which is going to come right to the bottom line. I think people are going to be surprised." His favorite bank stock is WELLS FARGO: "California has an economy that's as good as you're going to get." There he also likes SECURITY PACIFIC, FIRST INTERSTATE and BANK OF AMERICA. (CNN "Business Morning", 9/20)

MERCK & CO. stock slumped 3 1/8 to 76 7/8 yesterday over concerns about its prostate drug Proscar. VECTOR SECURITIES analyst PATRICIA LEA scaled back her projections for Merck's annual earnings growth to 15% from 18% - 20%. She also downgraded the stock to a hold. BOB HANSS at EDWARD D. JONES & CO. says Wall Street's harsh reaction reflects shifts in how investors look at Merck. Still Hanss maintains a buy rating on the stock and downplays the problems of weak Proscar sales. "It wasn't my impression that it was going to be Merck's bread and butter for the future. Merck still has more products over $100 million [a year] in sales than any other drug company." ("USA Today", 9/20)

DELL COMPUTER has emerged as a leading price and quality competitor to IBM and COMPAQ in the PC market. With earnings increasing 200% in the first six months of the year, GORDON ANDERSON, senior editor at "Individual Investor," projects their P/E for the year at only 9, well below the industry. He also likes THE SCOREBOARD INC., a rapidly growing reseller of sports memorabilia. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/20)

MARK STAHLMAN, an analyst with ALEX. BROWN & SONS, raised his rating of MIPS COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. from a hold to a buy. The recommendation was based on the company's expansion in Asia, where an unspecified Japanese computer manufacturer may begin using MIPS' microprocessors. He also believes Sony DAT tape machines as well as Cannon and Rico postscript laser printers may begin using the company's products. ("Investor's Daily", 9/20)

"The energy stocks I think can go up during this bear market," says DEAN WITTER's PHILLIP ROTH, who believes many investors have been reticent about the group because they worried that crude prices would come right back down. Roth likes COLUMBIA GAS and TEXACO. Aluminum stocks also interest Roth who

mentions ALCOA and AMAX. Into weakness, he would buy stable growth stocks like PHILIP MORRIS and COCA-COLA: "I don't think they have a lot of downside risk." He says the worst looking areas are consumer spending and financial stocks. (CNBC "Marketwatch", 9/20)

KIDDER, PEABODY reduced its 1991 forecast on ARMSTRONG WORLD INDUSTRIES by 90 cents a share, to $3, and downgraded the issue to "underperformer" from a "hold." Analyst BARBARA ALLEN says the company faces "a period of turmoil" in the flooring industry stemming from new products introduced earlier this week by a competitor, MANNINGTON MILLS. (WSJ, 9/20)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"The weaker dollar adds upward pressure to U.S. import prices and hence raises further concern about inflation and instability," says FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN. ERIK LEHTIS, a New York dealer with France's CREDIT AGRICOLE, says "Greenspan's suggestion that there's a downside to the dollar's decline gave the market ideas that he won't let the dollar fall any further." (WSJ, 9/20)

"I think you will see the gradual appreciation of the yen continuing," says JILL CORE, assistant manager of corporate foreign exchange at FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO in London. "You might see a correction after September 30, but I don't see why the yen should collapse automatically after the end of the half year." (Reuters, 9/20)

"The sentiment has improved [toward the dollar], but the fundamentals really haven't," says MARC CHANDLER, senior strategist at the consulting firm IDEA. He notes that the currency market's initial reaction to Mr. Greenspan's comments "was favorable [for the dollar] because it seemed to downplay the likelihood of a near-term easing." ("Investor's Daily", 9/20)

"No Fed chairman's going to say, 'Hey, the economy's in trouble but I'm not going to do anything about is,'" says ROBERT BRUSCA, chief economist at NIKKO SECURITIES CO. INTERNATIONAL. Brusca adds that Greenspan won't do anything. The Fed, he says, doesn't want to risk sending inflation, now running at a 6.2% annual rate, even higher by jump-starting the economy with lower interest rates. ("USA Today", 9/20)

"It's a tribute to [Greenspan's] ability to keep everybody off balance," says CHARLES COMER, strategist at CL GLOBAL PARTNERS. "The [New York] Times this

morning says he was cool to lowering rates, the [Wall Street] Journal said he was going to lower rates. So pay your money and take your choice." (CNBC "World Business", 9/20)

"It is almost academic as to whether you are in a recession or not continues to grow," says MONTE GORDON, director of research at DREYFUS CORP. "It is a very slight growth, certainly nothing of the nature we saw. And what they don't want to do is ease or put more liquidity into the economy at a time when you're really not going to 1 slip over into what would be defined as a recession." He notes that housing, autos, banking and other sectors in the country are in a recession. "What you don't want to do is to begin to inject large amounts of money into the economy or to lower interest rates significantly and then generate an additional inflation pressure which manifests itself further on down the road." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/19)

Despite widespread concerns about the inflationary impact of higher oil prices the fundamentals still suggest the long term trend in interest rates is down, says ROBERT GOODMAN, senior economic advisor to THE PUTNAM COMPANIES. "Quite frankly, when everybody is panicking is the time you want to act. A nine percent yield, given the kind of economic environment we're looking for, is incredibly attractive." Even if the doom and gloomers were right about the economy, the result would be deflation like the 1930s, not inflation as in the 1970s, says Goodman. "The only way you get that kind of inflation is if the Fed is the engine ... and the markets will not let this Fed inflate." (CNBC "Marketwatch", 9/19)

"If it weren't for the Middle East, the beige book and the housing starts numbers would be met with all kinds of calls for a further easing in Fed policy," says JERRY JORDAN, a senior vice president at FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP in Los Angeles. "But the Fed is sitting there bound and gagged." (FNN's "Marketwrap", 9/20)

THE ECONOMY:

"Mr. Greenspan now seems to be more willing to run the risk of recession than before," says ROBERT DEDERICK, executive vice president and chief economist at the NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY in Chicago. "The message that comes through here is that if there is a recession, so be it." (NYT, 9/20)

The NATIONAL FEDERATION OF INDEPENDENT BUSINESS' Optimism Index is at its lowest level since November 1986 and AMERICAN EXPRESS' Small Business Climate Index has been falling consistently since the first quarter of 1987. Neither index is expected to improve soon. Uncertainty over the economy is the key concern. "If you're on a high like we've been for the past six or seven years the next day is tough when reality sets in and things begin to slow down," says WILLIAM DUNKELBERG, chief economist for the National Federation of Independent Business. "People are being cautious. They understand that euphoria doesn't last forever." ("USA Today", 9/20)

Housing starts fell 1.7% in August to the lowest level since the last recession eight years ago. "Although we're not technically at a recessionary level, I would describe the [housing] industry as in a recession," says MARTIN REGALIA, an economist with the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SAVINGS INSTITUTIONS. "Recession is a very technical term that gives very little solace to an individual who has to live and breathe in a particular market." (NYT, 9/20)

"It's hard to find any good news" in the August housing starts figures, says CYNTHIA LATTA, an economist at DRI/McGRAW HILL INC. "There's no reason to see that we're at the end of this housing slump, with mortgage rates high and more news of layoff." ("Investor's Daily", 9/20)

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Just in time for the new spring fashion season, Esprit De Corp. has signed a socks and tights licensing agreement with Great American Knitting Mills Inc. for production of Women's Wear and Kids' lines in the United States.

Esprit socks and tights collection will come out three times a year: fall, winter and spring. Both Women's Wear and Kids' socks and tights lines will relate directly to the spring '91 ready-to-wear prints, colors and textures. Look for floral patterns in the Women's Wear and a strong environmental theme in Kids'. The first of these collections will be available to wholesalers on Oct. 1, 1990.

Regarding the new agreement, Robert Briefel, the new president of Great American Knitting Mills said, "Among the many assets I found was the freshly negotiated licensing agreement with Esprit. We feel very enthusiastic about this new venture and feel that there will be a great amount of cooperation between the two organizations."

Christina McClure, license manager for Esprit De Corp., said, "Great American Knitting Mills has excellent quality, strong distribution channels and great marketing flexibility. Their support of Esprit and our product makes a strong working relationship inevitable."

Esprit De Corp. is a privately held company owned by Susie Tompkins and an investor group with headquarters in San Francisco.

For more information about Esprit's new licensing agreement with Great American Knitting Mills, contact Celeste M. Alleyne or Cassie Hughes at Esprit De Corp. in San Francisco at 415-648-6900, or Ray Russell at Great American Knitting Mills at 919-229-3700.

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Corp.; or Ray Russell, 919-229-3700, of Great American Knitting Mills Inc.

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LONDON (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - British Gas (NYSE: BRG) has assembled a "dedicated team" to mount a significant exploration and production effort in the United States.

As a start it is expected to be involved in drilling about 20 wells in 1990/91 at a cost of about $80 million. Initially the plan is to concentrate on the Gulf of Mexico and Gulf Coast area.

This is what Robert Evans, chairman and chief executive of British Gas, told the American Business Association in Houston. Evans said his objective was that exploration and production overall should provide at least 20 percent of the company's earnings by the mid-1990s with a further increase by the end of the decade.

Corporate acquisitions would play a role in the expansion of the E and P business and in the past three years the company has spent $1.9 billion in four separate purchases. A particularly important step had been the purchase of Tenneco's International Division. This not only gave British Gas acreage in eight countries but gave the company a base and an experienced international exploration team in Houston.

The team had been built up and integrated into the E and P business. The Houston exploration and production office was responsible for all British Gas' exploration and production activities in the United States, South America and Africa. These included oil production operations in Gabon and Tunisia and exploration in Angola, Argentina, Ecuador, Egypt and Somalia. Total expenditure by Houston in the financial year would be about $250 million including over $140 million on exploration. Most of the wells in America would be drilled as part of joint ventures with Arco and Broken Hill Proprietary. The deal with Arco covered an exploration program on and offshore Louisiana and Alabama and the BHP deal covered areas on and offshore Texas and Louisiana. As part of the Arco deal some shallow discoveries offshore Alabama were being developed. "We hope to have our first US gas production by the end of this year."

Within the next five years the aim was to build up U.S. gas reserves to at least 500 Bcf.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank South (NASDAQ: BKSO) said today that, in view of current economic conditions, an aggressive internal review of the bank's loan portfolio is being conducted.

"The economy in our market area continues to soften, and the weak real estate industry is now affecting other businesses as well," said Robert P. Guyton, chairman and chief executive officer. "As a result, there is a deterioration in overall asset quality and specific loans in particular.

"We are reviewing the commercial loans in our portfolio and are trying to be very conservative in assessing loss exposure," Guyton said. "We anticipate making a higher-than-normal provision to the reserve for loan losses during the third quarter."

During the second quarter, Bank South made a $34.3 million provision to the loan loss reserve. That second-quarter provision followed a thorough internal review of the bank's commercial real estate portfolio and a targeted commercial real estate examination by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

The company said today the current internal loan review is still underway, and the size of the third quarter provision is undetermined at this time. However, the company expects the third quarter reserve provision to be less than the second quarter provision.

"It continues to be our hope that the economy will soon stabilize and we can return to more normal operations," Guyton said. "At this time, however, the economy is continuing to deteriorate, and we believe that the only prudent response is to reserve aggressively."

Due to economic conditions and their impact on asset quality, Bank South said it also expected non-performing loans to increase during the third quarter.

Bank South Corp. is an Atlanta-based, $5.5 billion multi-bank holding company with offices throughout Georgia and the Florida panhandle.

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STATE COLLEGE, PA. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - C-COR (NASDAQ: CCBL) Chairman, President and CEO Richard E. Perry announced that C-COR expects first quarter revenues and earnings to be down, resulting in an anticipated loss for the July through September period.

The slowdown in business comes as a direct result of lack of orders caused by the uncertainty in the cable television industry over possible reregulation by

Congress and by the current lending practices of financial institutions. The anticipated loss would be the first in over four years for C-COR. Just one month ago, C-COR reported record annual revenues and earnings.

Commenting on the expected results, Perry stated, "If cable legislation is settled quickly and Congress attacks the deficit problem, we expect market conditions to improve dramatically. We are well-positioned for a rapid return to pre-slowdown production levels since our MRP II manufacturing system is running smoothly and our new 40,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art production facility in Tipton, Pa., is up and running."

Perry added, "We anticipate that fiber optic product shipments from our newest acquisition, C-COR/COMLUX Inc., will be at a record high this first quarter."

C-COR, founded over 35 years ago, designs and manufactures high quality electronic equipment used in cable television and data communication systems. C-COR's headquarters is in State College, Pa., with production facilities in Tipton and State College, Pa. C-COR Electronics Canada Inc., a subsidiary of C-COR Electronics Inc., is located in Ontario, Canada. C-COR/COMLUX Inc., C-COR's newest subsidiary manufacturing digital fiber optic products, is located in Mountain View, Calif. C-COR Europe B.V., C-COR's European marketing arm, is located in The Netherlands. C-COR's common stock is listed in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CCBL.

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PHOENIX, ARIZ. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - StatesWest Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ: SWAL), operating as a USAir Express for the Western United States, today reported Aug. 1990 passenger enplanements were up 54.5 percent to 16,383, compared to 10,601 for Aug. 1989. The carrier's Aug. 1990 traffic capacity was 6,129,855 available seat miles (ASM) producing a load factor of 44 percent. ASMs for Aug. 1989 totaled 4,569,590 producing a load factor for that period of 47.7 percent. Traffic increased 23.6 percent to 2,695,035 revenue passenger miles (RPM), compared to the Aug. 1989 figure of 2,179,463.

Rudy R. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Results are particularly impressive in light of strong fare and yield improvements over last August. The impact of these increases nearly doubled the company's revenue for the same month this year." He added, "We attribute a large part of our August success to feeding USAir hub operations in Los Angeles, San Francisco and Phoenix.

"Replacement of USAir jet service on Dec. 1, 1990, in Monterey and Stockton, Calif., with our new Dash 8-100 prop-jets, and the addition of new USAir Express feeder cities, will enable us to continue to break records despite a

soft economic environment," Miller concluded.

The company operates one of the newest and most fuel efficient fleets of regional prop-jet aircraft in the United States. The airline presently operates 100 daily departures serving passengers in California, Arizona and Nevada, in 14 cities. With Stockton service beginning Oct. 1, StatesWest will operate approximately 108 daily departures and effective Dec. 1, with additional service, approximately 117 daily departures serving 15 cities.

Operating results for the month of Aug. 1990 and 1989 follow.

STATESWEST AIRLINES INC. OPERATING RESULTS

	Aug. 1990	Aug. 1989	Percent change
Passenger Enplanements	16,383	10,601	54.5
Available Seat Miles (ASM)	6,129,855	4,569,590	34.1
Revenue Passenger Miles (RPM)	2,695,035	2,179,463	23.6
Load Factor (percent)	44	47.7	-3.7

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BOSTON (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthco International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLCO) and Gemini Partners, L.P. jointly announced that they have agreed to resolve all pending controversies between them in connection with Healthco's annual meeting and related matters.

As part of the settlement, the company said it had agreed to include three of Gemini's representatives on a reconstituted seven-man board of directors. The company also said that a special committee of its major stockholders would be formed to consult with the board with respect to the progress of the Hicks Muse transaction and related matters. Healthco's annual meeting of stockholders, scheduled for September 25th, will be adjourned to a future date pending dissemination of revised proxy materials describing the terms of the settlement.

Commenting upon the settlement, Marvin M. Cyker, Healthco's chairman and chief executive officer, said: "I am extremely pleased that our board has been able to achieve such a favorable resolution of this situation. We can now put this behind us and devote ourselves to the real tasks at hand -- running Healthco's business for the benefit of all of our various constituencies and completing as soon as possible our $19.25 cash merger with Hicks Muse. We view the Hicks Muse transaction as a wonderful opportunity for Healthco, its stockholders, employees and customers in the dental profession, and we look forward to joining with them as we move into the 1990s."

Also commenting on the settlement, Emanuel R. Pearlman. on behalf of Gemini stated that "We are also pleased to arrive at an amicable resolution with Healthco which we believe is in the best interests of all Healthco stockholders. The settlement achieves very important objectives for the stockholders and we look forward to working with Healthco management."

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WEST CHESTER, PA. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Roy F. Weston Inc. (NASDAQ: WSTNA) (WESTON) today announced that Earl M. Hansen, Ph.D., a vice president of WESTON has been named manager of the company's Analytics Division.

The division, with annual revenues of more than $20 million is headquartered in Lionville, Pa., and includes analytical laboratory facilities in Lionville, University Park, Ill., and Stockton, Calif., and mobile laboratory facilities nationwide.

Dr. Hansen joined WESTON in 1984 as manager of the newly expanded WESTON laboratory in Lionville. He was elected vice president and technical director in 1987 and division program development manager in 1989. Since 1984 WESTON's analytical services have grown from $1.5 million to greater than $20 million in annual revenues.

The Analytics Division provides laboratory service to support WESTON's environmental projects and analytical and consulting services to clients from industry, professional firms, state governments and federal agencies including DOD, DOE and EPA.

Dr. Hansen received a B.A. in Chemistry from Wittenberg University, his Ph.D. in Physical Chemistry from Michigan State University and completed his post-doctoral work on Pulse Radiolysis of Liquids at High Pressures at the University of Notre Dame. He is the author of numerous technical publications and presentations. He is a member of the American Chemical Society and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He serves on the curriculum advisory committee for the Environmental Technology Program at SUNY Albany and is a member of WESTON's Technical Advisory Council and Radiation Safety Committee.

WESTON is a recognized leader in the environmental engineering, design and consulting industry. As a full-service environmental and health and safety firm, WESTON provides consulting and engineering, remediation, facility construction and operations, technical information management and major program management services.

WESTON's clients include many Fortune 500 companies and most major cities in the country. The company is a principal provider of services to the U.S. Department of Defense and the Department of Energy.

WESTON is headquartered in West Chester, and operates a network of four analytical laboratories and 44 offices, including Los Angeles, Houston, Chicago, Atlanta, Boston, New York and Washington.

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FORT WAYNE, IND. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas C. Griffith, chairman and chief executive officer of Lincoln Foodservice Products, Inc. (NASDAQ: LINN) announced today that Bowles Hollowell Conner & Co., the investment banking firm retained by a special committee of Lincoln's board of directors, had completed its evaluation of strategic financial alternatives to maximize stockholder values, including the possible sale of the company.

Based on their findings, Lincoln's board of directors has discontinued active efforts to find a buyer for the company. "The proposals we reviewed were not in the best interest of Lincoln's stockholders. The board remains confident and optimistic about the company's future," said Griffith.

Griffith noted that customer response to the company's new Countertop Impinger(R) oven has been extremely positive. The Countertop Impinger will be available for broad distribution in January 1991. Griffith also said that customer acceptance of the new, high capacity, Low Profile Impinger oven model unveiled at a major trade show in August, has been positive.

Lincoln Foodservice Products, Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets commercial and institutional foodservice cooking equipment and utensils. The company, which produces Impinger conveyor ovens, Steam'r Oven(R) combi-cookers Wear-Ever(R) and Centurion(R) foodservice utensils, Redco(R) food slicers, cutters, and wedgers, Galley(R) food serving equipment, and Fresh-O-Matic(R) food warmers, markets its products internationally through its own sales force and a network of 1500 distributors worldwide.

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PASADENA, CALIF. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (NYSE: JEC) today announced that it has been awarded two engineering projects by Eli Lilly and Co.

Both projects are located at Lilly's Clinton (Indiana) Laboratories, one of the pharmaceutical company's major manufacturing plants. The projects have a combined constructed value of more than $150 million.

The first project involves an expansion of the chemical manufacturing capacity for pharmaceutical and animal health products. It calls for the addition of a 42,000-square-foot facility at a cost of approximately $90 million. This project is scheduled for completion in early 1992.

The second project involves removing all of the plant's underground chemical storage tanks and replacing them with aboveground tanks set in enclosed concrete containment basins. The change-out will allow visual inspection for integrity, and capturing and containing any possible leaks. Cost of this phase is approximately $60 million. Completion is scheduled for the end of 1992.

Addition of the 42,000-square-foot building will provide Lilly with the increased manufacturing capacity necessary for the production of a number of important products, the company announced. Design of the facility includes environmental measures to reduce the escape of vapors. This will be done through the use of condensers, specially sealed pumps and valves, improved vacuum systems, and reduction in the number of pipe flanges and joints.

Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. provides single-source environmental and hazardous waste management, consulting, engineering, design, architectural, construction, construction management, contract maintenance, and operations services to government and industry worldwide.

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BELLWOOD, ILL. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Sanford Corporation (NASDAQ: SANF) today reported that for the third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, earnings per share increased 17.5 percent to $.47 per share from $.40 per share in the comparable 1989 period. Net income increased 17 percent to $7.0 million from $6.0 million. Net sales increased 7 percent to $38.5 million from $36.0 million.

For the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, earnings per share increased 18 percent to $1.13 from $.96 per share in the comparable 1989 period. Net income increased 17 percent to $16.9 million from $14.4 million. Net sales increased 4 percent to $101.1 million from $97.0 million.

Operating income for the third quarter increased 8 percent to $11.0 million from $10.2 million. For the nine months, operating income increased 7 percent

to $27.3 million from $25.6 million.

Pre-tax income for the third quarter increased 15 percent to $11.3 million from $9.8 million. For the nine months, pre-tax income increased 14 percent to $27.7 million from $24.2 million.

Henry B. Pearsall, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "We are pleased with our third quarter results. Our sales performance was particularly encouraging as compared to the slower sales pace of the first six months. In addition, we were up against a very strong sales performnance in the last year's third quarter."

Pearsall added, "Margins were again strong even though we increased discretionary spending in key investment areas including new facilities, a new computer system and the addition of new personnel to improve customer service. Interest expense was also down significantly due to the repayment earlier in the year of all interest bearing debt associated with the Sterling Plastics acquisition."

Pearsall concluded, "We expect 1990 results will be another record year for Sanford."

Sanford Corporation designs, manufactures and markets, under its brand names Sanford and Sterling, marking and writing instruments and other office and school supplies. The company's product lines, which include a wide variety of markets, porous tip pens, stamp pads, self- inking stamps, adhesives, molded plastic office accessories, file storage boxes and other school supplies are distributed primarily in the United States and also in numerous foreign countries.

SANFORD CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Summaries of consolidated income - unaudited

	Third Quarter Ended Aug. 31,		Nine Months Ended Aug. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
	(in thousands, except for per share amounts)			
Net sales	$38,467	$36,043	$101,122	$97,023
Cost of products sold	18,819	18,102	49,439	49,145
Gross profit	19,648	17,941	51,683	47,878
Shipping, selling, administrative and general expenses	8,630	7,717	24,424	22,307
Operating income	11,018	10,224	27,259	25,571
Other iIncome) Expense - net	(288)	(64)	(496)	(222)
Interest expense	19	452	95	1,558
Income before income taxes	11,287	9,836	27,660	24,235

Income taxes	4,289	3,841	10,747	9,811
Net income	$ 6,998	$ 5,995	$16,913	$14,424
Per common share	$0.47	$0.40	$1.13	$0.96
Average shares outstanding	14,971	14,981	14,977	14,968

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BATTLE CREEK, MICH. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Kellogg Company (NYSE: K) today announced the promotion of Ian D. Sale to the position of vice president - financial planning and analysis.

Sale has served as corporate treasurer since 1989. He joined Kellogg Canada Inc. in 1982 as director of finance and was promoted to vice president - finance in 1983, senior vice president - finance in 1986, and senior vice president - finance and corporate services in 1987 in the Canadian division.

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CALABASAS, CALIF (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Tekelec (NASDAQ: TKLC) today announced that it has entered into an agreement to purchase the assets of the test equipment business of Hard Engineering ("HARD") for $3.0 million in cash and the assumption of liabilities approximating $1.0 million.

The agreement provides for additional payments to HARD of up to $4 million over the next five years based on sales of products using its technology. In connection with the transaction, Doug Hard and Greg Tucker, founders and principal shareholders of HARD, will each enter into non-competitive agreements with Tekelec for which they could receive payments of up to a total of $750,000 over the next five years. Upon the closing of the transaction, Doug Hard, 53, president of Hard, will be named Tekelec vice president, Hard operations and Greg Tucker, 39, Hard's vice president, will be appointed director, sales and marketing, Field Service Products.

The closing of the acquisition is subject to certain conditions and is scheduled to be completed in early October 1990.

HARD, a developer and manufacturer of telecommunications field service protocol test equipment, is based in Huntsville, Alabama. HARD's revenues for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1989 reached $2.8 million and income from operations for that year was approximately $44,000. HARD estimates that revenues for the 12 months ending Sept. 30, 1990 will be approximately $3.7 million and that income from operations for the period will be approximately

$330,000. Founded in 1981, HARD currently employs 31 people.

HARD's flagship product, the 705, integrates protocol analysis and T1 testing into a portable, field service test system. HARD'S products address all the major industry protocols of X.25, ISDN, SNA, and SS7, as they relate to field service applications. HARD's customer profile is similar to that of Tekelec's - the RBOC's long distance carriers, and equipment manufacturers. Tekelec already has an OEM agreement with HARD for the Japanese marketplace where Tekelec resells HARD's products under the CHAMELEON trademark. Tekelec plans to market HARD's products through HARD's existing network of domestic sales representatives, and Tekelec's international distributors and its Japanese subsidiary.

Peter N. Vicars, president of Tekelec, said, "Migration towards intelligent digital networks and services has created sophisticated testing requirements for products ranging from high performance test systems for the developer to portable field service products for network managers. We believe HARD's expertise in field service testing, combined with Tekelec's leading position in the R & D and manufacturing markets for ISDN, SS7 and transmission technologies, will provide Tekelec with a complete competitive range in the telecommunications test systems marketplace."

Tekelec designs, manufacturers and markets test systems worldwide for data communications, telecommunications and integrated voice/data communications devices and networks. The company's customers include telephone operating companies, equipment manufacturers and government agencies that use test systems to design, test, install, maintain and repair telecommunications and computer equipment. Tekelec's domestic sales force, international distributors and Japanese subsidiary market Tekelec products throughout North America, Europe and the Far East.

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#90263p6371 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MASS. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Instrument Systems Inc. (AMEX: THI) today announced that a subsidiary in the Netherlands has received two orders with a combined value of $2.4 million for air-pollution monitors and a process-monitoring system.

Thermo Instrument Systems B.V. is providing more than 60 instruments, primarily oxides-of-nitrogen analyzers, to upgrade and expand the Dutch air-quality monitoring network. The national network detects and monitors emissions of "criteria pollutants" from industrial operations in Holland and neighboring nations. Data from the instruments is automatically transmitted to regional air-quality offices. Thermo Instrument previously supplied the

network's sulfur dioxide, ozone, and carbon monoxide monitoring instruments.

Jac Hamers, managing director of the subsidiary based in Breda, Holland, said, "Over the past five years, we have provided virtually all of the instruments for the 90-station air-quality monitoring network in the Netherlands. Many regard this network as a model for other European countries that are becoming more concerned about pollution and are seeking uniform methods of collecting and analyzing emissions data."

The Dutch subsidiary also received an order to provide a process monitoring and data acquisition system to N.V. Nederlandse Gasunie for its six-station natural-gas exporting network. The network provides fuel to Belgium, France, Germany, and Italy.

"These orders illustrate our expanding capabilities in Europe," said Arvin H. Smith, president and chief executive officer of Thermo Instrument. "We believe that international business will continue to provide substantial opportunities for growth over the next few years."

Thermo Instrument Systems develops, manufactures, and markets analytical instruments used to detect and monitor air pollution, radioactivity, complex chemical compounds, and toxic metals and other elements in a broad range of liquids and solids. The company also provides environmental science and engineering services, laboratory-based testing, and nuclear health physics services. Thermo Instrument Systems is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

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PLYMOUTH MEETING, PA. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Charter Power Systems Inc. (AMEX: CHP) today announced that its board of directors had declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.0275 a share, payable Oct. 16, 1990, to stockholders of record as of the close of business on Oct. 2.

Charter Power Systems, based in Plymouth Meeting, is a major North American manufacturer and supplier of products and services to the standby power and motive power markets with seven production facilities in the United States and Canada.

CONTACT: Donald L. Nevins Jr., 215-834-7334, or Robert Schechter (shareholder) 212-421-3125, both of Charter Power Systems

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Salomon Brothers, Inc. and William Blair & Company, as co-managers of the underwriting group, have announced the public offering of 1,300,000 shares of common stock of The Office Club, Inc. (NASDAQ: OCLB) at a price of $10 per share, all of which are offered on behalf of the company.

The net proceeds of the offering will be used to finance new warehouse openings and related working capital requirements.

The Office Club, Inc., headquartered in Concord, Calif., operates a chain of 47 retail warehouses which offer a focused selection of high quality, brand name office products at the lowest competitive prices in each market served.

A copy of the prospectus relating to the offering may by obtained from Salomon Brothers, Inc., One New York Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10004 or William Blair & Company, 135 S. LaSalle Street, Chicago, Ill., 60603.

NOTE: This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

CONTACT: Howard Matthews, chief financial officer of The Office Club, 415-682-2582

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - National Convenience Stores Incorporated (NYSE: NCS) and TM&S Oil Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of El Paso Refinery, L.P. (NYSE: ELP), yesterday announced the signing of a letter of intent for TM&S to acquire NCS's assets in El Paso, Texas, including 28 operating convenience stores, for an undisclosed amount of cash. The transaction is subject to the negotiation and execution of a definitive asset purchase agreement.

Kent Summerford, president of TM&S, commented, "This acquisition is highly synergistic with our existing retail presence in El Paso, Texas, and will provide for further growth in the local retail distribution of fuels by our parent, El Paso Refinery, L.P."

Pete Van Horn, president and chief executive officer of NCS, said, "This sale represents another step toward our strategic objective of focusing our asset base by building major positions in certain markets and withdrawing from other markets where we are less important. The proceeds will be used to reduce bank debt, helping the company achieve another strategic objective which is to reduce our leverage level."

NCS operates 1,084 specialty convenience stores in four Sunbelt states under the name Stop-N-Go.

CONTACT: Mike Shelton or Timothy J. Hammer of El Paso Refinery, 915-772-1433, or J.C. Brewster, 713-863-2404, or A.J. Gallerano, 713-863-2407, both of National Convenience Stores

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Marriott Food and Services Management and Domino's Pizza announced that they have signed an agreement under which Marriott will offer Domino's Pizza in its school lunch and college dining programs.

Marriott currently manages school lunch programs at over 200 school districts in the United States, serving 120 million meals per year. Under the agreement, a local Domino's pizza store will deliver Domino's pizzas to school kitchens, where school food service employees will serve the pizzas as part of Marriott's dining program.

On the college level, where Marriott provides dining to 450 colleges and universities, students will order Domino's Pizza from their local Domino's store. The local Domino's pizza store will deliver pizza to the college dormitory, at which time students will use their Marriott food service meal card to pay for the pizza, deducting the charges from their meal service account balance.

Both concepts are new in the contract food service industry. Daniel P. Howells executive vice president and general manager of Marriott Food and Services Management, said: "Today's student has been brought up in the fast food and delivery era. With the Domino's agreement, Marriott now offers our student customers the products they want when they want them."

P. David Black, president of Domino's Pizza, said: "I think this a great opportunity for both of our companies to grow. From our perspective, it gives Domino's franchisees and our company stores access to two new business segments -- school food and on-campus dining."

Based in Ann Arbor, Mich., Domino's Pizza is the world's largest pizza delivery company. Domino's has over 5,300 stores in operation in the United States and 21 international markets.

Marriott Food and Services Management is the world's largest contract food and services organization. It provides food and services management including housekeeping, plant operations and maintenance, laundry, and child care to 3,000 clients in education, health care and business.

CONTACT: Robert T. Souers, 301-380-7770, or Katherine M. Boyle, 301-380-3915, both of Marriott Corporation

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#90263p6384 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Graphics Corporation today announced the appointment of Wayne G. Faris to its board of directors.

Faris, a partner in the law firm of Oppenheimer, Wolff & Donnelly, has acted as Medical Graphics' General Counsel and Secretary since 1988. He is currently on sabbatical from the firm and employed as executive vice president of The Clifton Group, a Minneapolis investment company.

Faris received his undergraduate degree from Wheaton College, Wheaton, Ill., in 1964, and his law degree from the University of Minnesota in 1970.

Faris is also chairman of the Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission, a position he has held since 1987. In addition, he served on the board of the American Lung Association of Ramsey County from 1976-1989, and as its president from 1987-1988.

Medical Graphics Corporation is a world leader in providing high quality, easy to use, and technologically advanced diagnostic and monitoring systems for early detection and treatment of heart and lung disease. The company markets its products to pulmonary, cardiology, and critical care medicine providers.

CONTACT: Catherine A. Anderson or Terrance J. Kapsen, 612-484-4874, both of Medical Graphics

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - NaTec Resources, Inc. (NASDAQ: NATC) today announced it has made a proposal to acquire Advance Ross Corporation (NASDAQ: AROS) in a stock-for-stock merger. It is expected that, pursuant to the proposed transaction, Advance Ross shareholders would receive, in a tax-free exchange, sufficient shares of NaTec to represent a substantial premium to the recent trading price of Advance Ross. Advance Ross is NaTec's second largest shareholder, holding approximately 13.7 percent of NaTec's outstanding shares. NaTec has offered to construct a floating exchange rate to assure a premium to Advance Ross shareholders at various stock prices of NaTec. NaTec initially proposed an exchange ratio subject to due diligence which could be expected to represent over a 20 percent premium over the recent trading levels of Advance Ross common stock. In its most recent letter, NaTec has indicated that if given the opportunity to evaluate Advance Ross businesses, it would consider a higher valuation to reflect any additional source of value.

The proposal is subject to due diligence, negotiation of the terms of the transaction and definitive documentation, approval by the respective boards of directors and shareholders of both companies, and the absence of any material change in the financial condition or the cash and temporary investments position of Advance Ross. Merrill Lynch Capital Markets is representing NaTec and its major shareholder, CRSS Inc., in connection with this proposal.

Socrates S. Christopher, chairman of NaTec, said in connection with the proposal, "We believe that this represents an attractive transaction for Advance Ross shareholders, given their current indirect investment in NaTec. In addition, it enables NaTec to obtain funds for the development of its technologies and services on a cost-effective basis, given Advance Ross' cash position and 13.7 percent stake in NaTec. This transaction seems consistent with the recent announcement by Advance Ross that it has hired a financial advisor to explore ways to develop and enhance shareholder value. In this respect, NaTec operates in the specific areas in which Advance Ross indicated it is considering expanding its operations."

NaTec is committed to the control of pollutants commonly associated with acid rain. The company provides consulting engineering, injection system installation, operations and maintenance services, and processed sorbent supply. Primary markets are utility, industrial power generation, pulp and paper, refining and municipal solid waste.

CONTACT: Glenn Hobratschk of NaTec, 713-552-2156

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DALLAS (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hallwood Group Incorporated (NYSE: HWG) announced today that Judge Thelton E. Henderson of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California has notified the parties to the Greathouse class action litigation, which is pending with respect to the proposed consolidation by Hallwood Group's affiliate, Hallwood Realty Partners L.P., of certain real estate partnerships sponsored by Equitec Financial Group, Inc. (NYSE: EFG), that he intends to issue a ruling that the United States District Court has no jurisdiction to hear plaintiff's position for a preliminary injunction.

As previously announced, consents to the consolidation have been received from holders of a majority of the limited partnership interests in Equitec partnerships representing approximately 82 percent of the aggregate exchange values of the 11 partnerships to which the consolidation has been proposed. Consequently, the "Minimum Participation" condition to the consolidation has been satisfied and the consolidation may now be consummated in respect of the consenting partnerships as soon as authorized by the Bankruptcy Court. Equitec and its affiliate, Equitec Properties Company, have filed a joint

motion seeking such authorization. A hearing on such motion has been scheduled for Oct. 19, 1990.

CONTACT: James N. Fingeroth or Mary T. Conway of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for The Hallwood Group

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#90263p6401 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Westin Hotel, Washington, D.C. will change its name to ANA Hotel Washington, D.C. on Jan. 1, 1991, it was announced today by officials of Westin Hotels & Resorts and All Nippon Airways Co., Ltd. (ANA). Westin will continue to manage the 416-room deluxe hotel.

"The name change does not indicate a change in company policy or direction for Westin Hotels & Resorts," Larry Magnan, Westin president and CEO said. "Westin has always positioned itself in the marketplace as a hotel management company. In fact, Westin manages numerous hotels that do not carry the Westin name, including the Kowloon Shangrila in Hong Kong; the Walt Disney World Swan in Orlando, Fla.; and the Century Plaza and Century Plaza Tower in Los Angeles " Magnan said.

ANA purchased the Washington, D.C. hotel in December 1989. "The name change is in line with ANA's marketing strategy of providing first class accommodations and offering total service in cities the airline serves. The name change reflects no change in the quality of service we provide our guests " Taiji Kameyama, ANA senior vice president said.

ANA Group owns 31 deluxe hotels throughout Asia, the Pacific, and North America. Westin manages 64 hotels and resorts in the United States, Canada, Asia, Mexico and Central America.

-0- 9/20/90 /CONTACT: George Berry of Powell, Adams & Rinehart, 202-452-9494, for ANA Hotel Washington, D.C./ CO: ANA Hotel Washington; Westin Hotels & Resorts ST: District of Columbia IN: LEI SU: TNM

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LONDON (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The chief executive officer of Alexander Proudfoot PLC, Thomas J. Huhn, today announced the interim results for the period Jan. 1, through June 30, 1990 of the international consulting firm. Sales increased 51 percent ($159.1 million vs. $105.1 million) while pre-tax profit increased from $28.4 million to $38.8 million. Undiluted earnings per share rose to $.40 an increase of 44 percent. The directors announced that the interim dividend will be increased to 6.0 pence ($.10 per share), up from 3.5 pence ($.06) paid for the same time period in 1989.

In making the announcement, Thomas Huhn stated the results "demonstrate the continued success of the expanded operations of the company.

"Worldwide operating results of the group have been excellent," Huhn continued "growth has been attained against a background of a slowdown in many world economies. Results of the Proudfoot operations in North America continue to show improvement. Both Proudfoot and Crosby operations in Europe achieved significant growth. In addition, Proudfoot began work for clients in Japan early in the second half of 1990 and we are optimistic about prospects in that country."

Alexander Proudfoot PLC is the world's 12th largest consulting company and is the largest dealing with the installation of customized productivity improvement systems and management capacity programs which improve a company's productivity, quality, customer services and profitability. Alexander Proudfoot purchased Philip Crosby Associates, headquartered in Winter Park, Fla., the world's largest consultant dealing specifically with quality management in 1989.

ALEXANDER PROUDFOOT PCL
Unaudited Results

	Six Months Ended June 30, 1990	Six Months Ended June 30, 1989
Turnover	$159.1m	$105.1m
Pre-tax Profit	$ 38.8m	$ 28.4m
Earnings Per Share	$.40	$.28
Interim Ordinary Dividend	($.10) 6.0P	($.06) 3.5P

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - R. Richard Ablon, president and chief executive officer of Ogden Corporation (NYSE: OG), announced today that the board of directors of Ogden has decided to retain its 85 percent ownership of Ogden Projects, Inc. (NYSE: OPI). "After several months of consideration and analysis, it is the unanimous conclusion of our board that, for the present and foreseeable future, the retention of Ogden Projects as a major division of Ogden Corporation is in the best interest of Ogden stockholders," said Richard Ablon.

"Ogden's complementary capabilities in environmental and energy services, recycling and resource recovery are well-placed to grow successfully in whatever economic climate we encounter in the years ahead. This excellent business foundation, with a recession-resistant growth profile, will enable Ogden to continue its strong dividend philosophy, which is currently providing

a yield in excess of 6 percent."

Ablon also announced that the board of directors of Ogden today adopted a Share Purchase Rights Plan and approved the distribution to stockholders of a dividend of one right for each outstanding share of Ogden's common stock. The rights are primarily designed to assure that all Ogden stockholders receive fair and equal treatment in the event of any acquisition of control of the company and to guard the interests of the stockholders against partial or two-tiered tender offers, inadequate offers, open market accumulations and other abusive or coercive takeover tactics. The rights plan was not adopted in response to any effort to acquire Ogden, and Ogden is not aware of any such effort.

Under the rights plan, if any person or group acquires beneficial ownership of 15 percent of the company's common stock, holders of rights (other than the 15 percent holder) will be entitled to buy Ogden stock with a market value of $160 for $80. The rights may be redeemed at any time before there is a 15 percent shareholder.

The rights will be distributed on Oct. 2, 1990, to stockholders of record on that date. A letter which contains the details of the rights distribution will be mailed to all Ogden stockholders.

Ogden Corporation is a diversified services company that offers aviation, entertainment, environmental and energy consulting, industrial and remote site technical services, and through its subsidiary, Ogden Projects, builds and operates waste-to-energy plants.

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ALLENTOWN, PA. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Tom H. Barrett, chairman of the board of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. of Akron, Ohio, has been elected to the board of directors of Air Products and Chemicals Inc.

In commenting on the appointment, Air Products Chairman Dexter F. Baker said, "Our board will benefit greatly from Barrett's many years of experience as a corporate executive in this country and overseas, and as a leader in numerous public and private sector organizations."

Barrett has been an officer of Goodyear for 13 of his 35 years of service with that company. His early career included an assignment as production director of Goodyear's manufacturing and development complex in Luxembourg. In 1979, he was elected a director of the company, and the following year was named group executive vice president of corporate manufacturing, distribution, engineering, research and development. Barrett was elected chief executive

officer in 1988, after serving six years as the company's president and chief operating officer. He became chairman of the board in 1989.

Barrett graduated from Kansas State College in 1953 and in 1968 was awarded a Sloan Fellowship at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology where he earned his master's degree in management.

He is a member of the board of directors of A.O. Smith Corp., Rubbermaid Inc. and the Rubber Manufacturers Association. He is on the board of directors and executive committee of the Highway Users Federation; on the board of trustees of the Committee for Economic Development; a member of the executive committee of the National Association of Manufacturers; and a member of the Business Roundtable.

Air Products and Chemicals Inc. is an international supplier of industrial gases and related equipment, chemical intermediates, and environmental and energy systems. The company has annual sales approaching $3 billion, operations in 22 countries and 14,000 employees. Corporate headquarters are near Allentown, Pennsylvania.

CONTACT: Greta Campbell of Air Products and Chemicals, 215-481-4986

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#90263p6408 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ASHLAND, KY. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Edmund B. Fitzgerald, who recently retired as chairman and chief executive officer of Northern Telecom Limited, has been elected to the board of directors of Ashland Oil Inc. (NYSE: ASH), according to John R. Hall, Ashland chairman and chief executive officer.

Fitzgerald earned a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from the University of Michigan in 1946. He then joined Cutler-Hammer Inc., where after moving through a succession of increasingly important positions, he became president and chief executive officer in 1964. He was elected Cutler-Hammer's chairman and CEO in 1969.

When Cutler-Hammer was acquired by Eaton Corp. in January 1979, Fitzgerald was named vice chairman and chief operating officer-industrial products. He left Eaton later that year to form his own consulting company, and in May 1980 became president of Northern Telecom Inc. (U.S.). He was named president of the parent company, Northern Telecom Limited, in 1982, became its chief executive officer in 1984, and was elected chairman in 1985.

Fitzgerald serves on the boards of Northern Telecom Limited, Third National Corp., and STC PLC (London, U.K.). He was a co-founder of the Milwaukee Brewers major league baseball team and served as its chairman until 1982.

He is a trustee and former chairman of the Committee for Economic Development

in Washington, and served on former President Reagan's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee. He is a former president of the National Electrical Manufacturer's Association and served for three years as vice chairman of the Industry Advisory Council of the Department of Defense. His home is in Nashville, Tenn.

"Mr. Fitzgerald's broad experience as an industry executive and government advisor will be a valuable addition to our board, and we are pleased to have him serve," said Hall.

Ashland Oil is the nation's 58th-largest, publicly held industrial corporation. It is engaged in petroleum refining, transportation and marketing; retail gasoline marketing; motor oil marketing; chemicals; coal; highway construction; and oil and gas exploration and production.

CONTACT: Roger Schrum of Ashland Oil, 606-329-4061

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The general partners of Summit Tax Exempt Bond Fund, L.P. (AMEX: SUA) announced today a $.21 distribution per BUC for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, which will be payable on or about Nov. 15, 1990 to investors of record on Sept. 28, 1990.

CONTACT: Chester Piskorowski of Summit Tax Exempt Bond Fund, 212-214-2178

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CAPE CORAL, FLA (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Heavenly Hot Dogs, Inc., (OTC) announced today that it has elected to extend its Class "B" Common Stock Purchase Warrants until Dec. 24, 1990. Any Class "B" Warrants not exercised by that date will expire and be of no further value.

CONTACT: Toby Riha of Heavenly Hot Dogs, Inc., 800-476-8221

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GLOUCESTER, MASS. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - NutraMax Products Inc. announced today that its shares of common stock (NMPU), par value $.001 per share, and Class B Warrants (NMPUZ) have been listed for trading on the National Association of Securities Dealers Inc. Automated Quotation System (NASDAQ), effective today.

NutraMax is in the business of developing, manufacturing and marketing health care products, including feminine hygiene products, disposable douches and

enemas, sterile dilution bottles for laboratory applications and disposable baby bottle liners. NutraMax is a majority- owned subsidiary of MEDIQ Inc. (AMEX: MED).

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STOCKTON, CALIF. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has strongly reiterated its opinion that Ragu Foods' use of the term "fresh" on the label of Ragu Fresh Italian pasta sauces is "false and misleading," according to the California Tomato Fresh Packers Coalition.

The federal agency said it took this position because the Ragu Foods' product is made from heat-processed, remanufactured tomatoes, and the FDA's Compliance Policy guide "clearly covers heat-processed foods as not being fresh."

In a related development, the coalition stated that Rep. Leon E. Panetta, D-Calif., who is Chairman of the House Budget Committee, has asked the FDA for an explanation of what future action the agency will take on the matter of Ragu Foods' labeling practices.

The FDA on April 3 issued a regulatory letter declaring the Ragu label illegal. The company is continuing to use the false claim in its labeling and advertising.

Bob Ilse, a member of the California Tomato Fresh Packers Coalition, said, "We are very pleased that the FDA has said it will not allow Ragu Foods and others to deceptively use the term 'fresh' on labels when their product is made from heat-processed, remanufactured tomatoes."

The California Tomato Fresh Packers Coalition, a group of growing and packing firms whose products are made entirely from fresh tomatoes, was formed to promot e fairness to consumers in its major product areas.

Early in 1990, Reps. Henry A. Waxman, D-Calif., and Edward R. Madigan, R-Ill., as well as several national consumer organizations including the Consumer Federation of America, the National Consumers League and Public Voice protested Ragu Foods' use of the term 'fresh' to describe a heat-processed, remanufactured product. In addition, regulatory agencies in New York and Texas have told Ragu Foods that its labeling practices violate the states' laws and have threatened the company with product seizures.

In its April regulatory letter, the FDA cited Ragu Foods' labeling practices with several violations of the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. The company replied by saying it was "willing to revise the labeling of Ragu Fresh Italian institutional packs to indicate in an appropriate way...that the product is

made from remanufactured tomatoes."

Ragu Foods, which is a unit of Chesebrough-Pond's Inc., also said it was "willing to add the word 'brand' after the trade name Ragu Fresh Italian."

In a Sept. 4 response to Ragu Foods, the FDA said "the proposed revision by the addition of the word 'brand'...will not correct the labeling violations, detailed in the April 3 regulatory letter. The word 'brand' does not sufficiently explain or qualify the false and misleading term -- 'fresh'."

CONTACT; Bob Ilse of the California Tomato Fresh Packers Coalition, 209-948-0792

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Philip H. Geier, Jr., chairman of the board and chief executive officer of The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. (NYSE: IPG) ("Interpublic") and Frank B. Lowe, chairman and chief executive officer of The Lowe Group plc ("Lowe") announced that the boards of the two companies have reached agreement on the terms of a recommended offer ("the offer") to be made on behalf of Interpublic by Goldman Sachs International Limited for the whole of the issued share capital of Lowe not already owned by Interpublic and its subsidiaries.

Interpublic and its subsidiaries already own approximately 24.7 percent of the issued ordinary shares of Lowe and all of the issued restricted voting ordinary share capital of Lowe. Together these represent 35.4 percent of Lowe's total issued share capital and 28.6 percent of the voting rights attributable to Lowe's issued shares.

The offer, which is subject to various legal, regulatory and business conditions, will be on the basis of seven shares of Interpublic common stock for every 25 shares of Lowe or, alternatively, 4.25 pounds sterling in cash for each Lowe share.

Fractional entitlements to Interpublic shares will not be issued but accepting shareholders (including those whose holdings are less than 25 Lowe shares) will receive cash in lieu thereof calculated by reference to the cash consideration payable for each Lowe share under the cash offer.

An accepting shareholder who elects to receive Interpublic shares will be required to complete a declaration that he is not a "U.S. person", failing which he will be deemed to have elected to receive the cash consideration under the cash offer.

The Interpublic Group is one of the largest organizations of advertising agencies in the world. The group includes McCann-Erickson Worldwide, Lintas:

Worldwide and other agencies and associated companies. Interpublic employs more than 14,500 people and operates in over 75 countries with more than 235 offices. The principal activities of the group's advertising agencies are to plan and create advertising and marketing programs for clients, and to place the advertising in various media, such as radio, television, magazines and newspapers.

Lowe, which became a publicly traded company in 1984, provides advertising and communications services to a wide range of international clients. The group has offices in over ten countries and employs more than 1,600 people. In 1989 Lowe in London was the only agency in the top ten to receive five stars in the Campaign Magazine annual review.

When the offer is successfully completed, Frank Lowe will be invited to join the board of directors of Interpublic. He will also chair a new Strategic Planning Committee for Interpublic's growth and development, concentrating on non-media revenue streams.

The offer is expected to close before the end of 1990.

CONTACT: Eugene P. Beard, 212-399-8053; Henry Strock, 212-399-8010; or William S. Keating, 212-399-8078, all of The Interpublic Group of Companies; or Lester A. Delano, 212-708-8895, of The Lowe Group plc

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#90263p6422 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, N.J. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of CPC International Inc. ((NYSE: CPC) has elected Gordon Granger a vice president of the company effective October 1, the date on which Granger will become president of the CPC Latin America Consumer Foods Division.

In his new position Granger will succeed Osvaldo Martinez, who will retire on Jan. 1, 1991, after more than 47 years of service with CPC International.

Granger joined CPC in 1960 and has worked in most of the company's Latin American subsidiaries. He was named managing director of the company's Venezuelan business in 1975, and was appointed to the same position in a larger subsidiary in Colombia in 1979.

In 1985, Granger became vice president-consumer operations for the Latin America Consumer Foods Division headquartered in Buenos Aires. In 1988, Granger assumed additional responsibilities as consumer operations general manager for the company's Brazilian business.

Granger and his wife recently moved to the United States and reside in northern New Jersey.

With sales in 1989 of $5.1 billion, CPC International Inc. ranks as one of the largest and most international food companies in the U.S. CPC's worldwide consumer foods business accounts for approximately 80 percent of the company's total sales, and its products are household favorites throughout North America Europe, Latin America, and Asia. Best-known among its U.S. brands are: Hellmann's and Best Foods mayonnaise, Mazola corn oil and margarine, Skippy peanut butter, Thomas' English muffins, Arnold breads, Mueller's pasta products, Karo and Golden Griddle syrups, and Knorr soups, sauces and bouillons. CPC is also one of the largest corn refiners with operations in North America and Latin America. Worldwide, CPC International has operations in 47 countries including 112 plants.

CONTACT: William C. Parker, 201-894-2555, or Gale L. Griffin, 201-894-2407, both of CPC

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SHAMOKIN, PA. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - A cash dividend of $.10 per share for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, was declared Tuesday by the board of directors of Central Pennsylvania Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: CPSA).

The cash dividend will be payable Oct. 26, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 15. There are 1,982,407 shares of stock issued and outstanding.

This will be the 26th consecutive quarterly cash dividend for the company since its principal subsidiary, Central Pennsylvania Savings Association, converted to stock ownership from a mutual association on March 30, 1984.

Central Pennsylvania Savings Association was originally chartered in 1873 and is the 18th largest savings institution in Pennsylvania. A Forbes Magazine rated Top 200 Best Small Companies in America, the company has 16 banking offices.

The Association conducts its business through offices in Shamokin, Mount Carmel, Williamsport, Lewisburg, Danville, Shamokin Dam, Sunbury, Hershey and Camp Hill-Mechanicsburg. Through its Hamilton-Reliance Division business is conducted at offices in Norristown, Wayne, Warminster, West Point, and two offices in Philadelphia.

CONTACT: Frank J. Fendt of Central Pennsylvania Financial, 717-644-0861

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#90263p6430 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Morgan Stanley Group Inc. (NYSE: MS) announced today the formation of an LDC debt unit, which will focus on the trading and securitization of LDC debt, as well as on financing for the public

and private sector in developing countries.

The group will be headed by Jay H. Newman, who, with Keith R. Fogerty, will join the firm as managing directors. Also joining the group are Pierre Biraben, John J. Foley, Peter J. Grossman and Gordon R. Wood. Newman and his group, who pioneered the development of the secondary market for LDC debt at Shearson Lehman Hutton Inc. in the early 1980s and established a similar unit at Dillon, Read & Co. Inc. in 1989, are among the most experienced and highly regarded professionals in the market. The unit will become part of Morgan Stanley's Fixed Income Division.

"We are pleased that we have been able to put in place a group of experienced LDC debt professionals for this major new initiative," said John J. Mack, head of Morgan Stanley's worldwide Fixed Income Division. "Morgan Stanley will now have in place the resources to work with governments of developing countries across the entire range of investment banking, asset management and secondary market activities," he added.

The firm, through its investment banking privatization group, is active in the privatization of state-owned enterprises in Europe, Latin America and the Far East. Through its asset management division, the firm is also actively involved in managing investments in emerging markets. This business includes the management of several developing country equity funds.

CONTACT: Jeanne D. Andrews of Morgan Stanley Group, 212-703-4058

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#90263p6449 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Everest Medical Corporation has received a $250,000 order for a variety of its medical products from KII, an importing and distribution company in Tokyo, Japan.

The order specifies shipments to occur between now and the end of 1990. The order includes the full range of Everest's gastrointestinal endoscopic products, including the BiSNARE(TM) (for removal of polyps), the BiCOAG(TM) (for treatment of bleeding ulcers), the BiTOME(TM) (for removal of gallstones) and Model 8700 Generator.

This order marks the largest yet for Everest, which released its first products in May of this year.

Earlier this year Everest received import licenses from the government of Japan, allowing the company to begin sales of its products to customers in Japan.

Everest Medical Corporation is a manufacturer of bipolar electrosurgical products for the endoscopic and cardiac markets. It was first financed in

1986 and is privately held.

CONTACT: Perry Ketchum of Ketchum & Metz, Inc., 612-925-1924, for Everest Medical

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - National City Corporation (NYSE: NCC) announced today the following organizational changes within its member banks:

-- Roger M. Dalton has been named president and chief executive officer of National City Corporation's member bank, CommerceNational, Lexington, Ky. Dalton previously served as senior vice president and director of community banking at First Kentucky National Corporation.

-- Robert E. Showalter has been elected president and chief executive officer of National City Corporation's member bank, Ohio Citizens Bank, Toledo, Ohio. Showalter previously served as president and chief executive officer of CommerceNational Bank.

-- Robert G. Siefers has joined the executive management team at National City Corporation, Cleveland. Siefers previously served as president and chief executive officer of Ohio Citizens Bank.

National City Deputy Chairman David A. Daberko said of the organizational changes, "These men bring a broad range of talent and experience to their new positions within this corporation."

National City Corporation is a $23 billion bank holding company headquartered in Cleveland. The corporation's principal banking units include National City Bank, Cleveland; BancOhio National Bank, Columbus, and First National Bank of Louisville. Other member banks include National City Bank, Akron; First National Bank, Dayton; Gem Savings Association, Dayton; CommerceNational Bank, Lexington, and Ohio Citizens Bank, Toledo. National City also has 11 community banks serving cities and towns throughout Ohio, Kentucky and southern Indiana.

National City's subsidiaries and divisions offer a wide range of financial services, such as credit card, retail payment and airline ticket processing, trust and investment management, leasing, merchant and mortgage banking, venture capital, small business and community investment and credit life insurance. These units include Franklinton Financial Services, National Processing Company, First Kentucky Trust Company, National City Trust Company, NCC Merchant Banking, National City Mortgage Company, W. Lyman Case & Company, National City Community Development Corporation, National City Life Insurance Company and NC Investments.

National City Corporation's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "NCC."

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#90263p6453 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - A Logicon Inc. (NYSE: LGN) subsidiary R&D Associates (RDA), has received a four-year contract extension to provide advanced technology services to the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) in Pasadena, Calif., the company said today.

Logicon RDA has provided software engineering, systems development and operational support services to JPL since 1987. Potential value of the contract option exercised by JPL, including award fee, is $33.53 million through November 1993.

Under terms of the work-order contract, Logicon RDA experts contribute to high technology programs are assigned by JPL. Current projects include continued support of the U.S. Army's computer-based Corps Battle Simulation System and developmental work on an automated command and control system for the U.S. Transportation Command at Scott AFB, Ill.

Total value of the contract is now $67.67 million. Logicon is a leader in providing advanced technology systems and services to support national security, civil and industrial needs.

CONTACT: John C. Tuffy of Logicon, 213-373-0220

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#90263p6457 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, N.J. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Graphic Scanning Corp. (NASDAQ: GSCC) announced today that it had executed legal documents implementing the arrangements establishing a joint venture, transferring certain cellular properties and settling certain outstanding litigation with McCaw Cellular Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: MCAWA), which was jointly announced by McCaw Cellular Communications, Inc., and Graphic Scanning Corp. on Feb. 20, 1990. The executed agreements are subject to appropriate regulatory approvals. Applications were filed with the Federal Communications Commission requesting such approval.

Graphic Scanning is a leading provider of telecommunications services in the United States and a growing provider of telecommunications services in the United Kingdom. Graphic Scanning operates one of the nation's largest radio paging businesses, is a major holder in two cellular radio telephone partnerships, and serves the corporate syndicate communications needs of the

country's investment banking community. In addition, the company participates through joint ventures in wireless cable and FM broadcast operations.

CONTACT: William S. Wheatley, Jr. of Graphic Scanning, 201-894-8000

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#90263p6459 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Boeing Commercial Airplane Group today confirmed orders for five more 757 jetliners by British Airways. The five are valued at about $270 million.

The airline announced earlier this week, it has converted three previously held 757 options into firm orders. The other two 757s had been ordered previously but not publicly announced.

With this order, the airline now has six of the Boeing twinjets on order. The aircraft will be powered by Rolls-Royce RB211-535E4 engines.

British Airways was one of the first Boeing jetliner customers, ordering 15 707s in October 1956. It has taken delivery of 159 Boeing jetliners including:

30	707s	35	737s	51	747s	36	757s
7	767s						

The Boeing 757, introduced into service in 1982, can carry from 180 to 230 passengers over medium to long ranges. It is the quietest aircraft in its class and one of the most fuel-efficient jetliners built.

With this order, Boeing has 663 announced orders for the 757, with 309 having been delivered to customers around the world.

CONTACT: Kirsti Dunn of Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, 206-237-1713

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#90263p6460 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Powell Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: POWL) today reported that two of its units have been awarded contracts which are the largest single orders ever obtained by those units.

The offshore division (of Powell Electrical Manufacturing Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Powell Industries) has received a $7 million order for the manufacture of a custom engineered module for an offshore oil and gas tension leg platform. Work on the module has already begun with delivery scheduled for December 1991.

Delta-Unibus Corporation, also a wholly-owned subsidiary of Powell Industries, has been awarded a contract valued at $4 million for the design and supply of isolated-phase bus duct systems for multiple units of combined cycle power plants in the Republic of Korea. Scheduled shipments are May through October of 1991. This is the largest single order ever received by Delta.

These orders, together with orders received at other subsidiaries, resulted in record bookings for August, totaling in excess of $20 million for the month.

Powell Industries, Inc. designs, manufactures and packages electrical generation, control and distribution equipment.

CONTACT: J.F. Ahart of Powell Industries, 713-947-4422

-30- 1433

#90263p6467 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

VIENNA, VA (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Perpetual Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: PFCPP) has authorized the payment of a cash dividend of 22 cents per share on Perpetual's 8-1/2 percent Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A, to be paid by Oct. 31, 1990.

The record date for the dividend has been established as Oct. 12, 1990. The ex-dividend date has been established as Oct. 5, 1990. This dividend covers the period from Aug. 1, 1990, through Oct. 31, 1990. Dividends on the corporation's 4.6 million shares of preferred stock outstanding are payable quarterly at the end of January, April, July and October.

Perpetual Financial Corporation, with assets of $5.4 billion, is the holding company for Perpetual Savings Bank, F.S.B., the largest thrift in Virginia, Maryland and Washington.

CONTACT: Robert A. Barton Jr. of Perpetual Financial Corporation, 703-760-4848

-30- 1091

#90263p6480 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TEXAS (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Dell Computer Corp. (NASDAQ: DELL) today announced that Texas Instruments Inc. (TI) has filed a lawsuit against Dell for allegedly infringing on TI patents. The suit was filed in federal district court in Dallas, on Sept. 14.

According to Dell, the suit is without merit and the company will vigorously contest the allegations. Dell had been discussing patent issues with TI since April. The lawsuit was unexpected and inconsistent with statements made by TI in those discussions, Dell officials said.

In the opinion of Dell management, the suit will not have a material adverse effect on the company's consolidated financial statements.

In recent months, TI has sued several companies on patent-related matters, including Zenith Data Systems, Samsung, Daewoo, Analog Devices, Cypress Semiconductors, Integrated Device Technology, LSI Logic and VLSI Technology. In addition, Tandy Corp. has sued TI in federal court, alleging that TI's patent licensing practices constitute violations of federal antitrust laws.

Dell Computer Corp. designs, develops, manufactures, markets, services and supports a complete line of personal computers compatible with industry standards. Information on the company and its products can be obtained through its toll-free number: 800-426-5150.

CONTACT: Michele Moore or Brian Fawkes, Dell Computer Corp., 512-338-4400

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#90263p6487 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARSIPPANY, NJ (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Armco Inc. (NYSE: AS) today announced that on Friday, Sept. 14, it modified its pending consent solicitation and offer to purchase its 13-1/2 percent senior notes due 1994 from consenting noteholders.

The modification provides for an increase in the consent fee from $10 to $17.50 for each $1,000 principal amount of notes for which a consent to the proposed amendment to the indenture relating to the notes is properly delivered. It also modifies the terms of the proposed amendment to the indenture.

Armco is seeking the consent of the noteholders to amend provisions of the indenture relating to the notes which currently prohibit payment of dividends on its common stock. Armco said it needs approval from holders of 50.1 percent of the notes outstanding to amend the indenture. There are currently $164 million of notes outstanding.

In connection with the amendment, Armco extended the expiration date for the pending consent solicitation and offer to 5 p.m., New York City time, Friday, Sept. 28.

As of the close of business on Sept. 17, consents representing approximately $53,497,000 of principal amount of the notes outstanding had been deposited. Of this amount approximately $21,641,000 of principal amount of the notes outstanding had been tendered and deposited.

CONTACT: James A. Herzog of Armco, 201-316-5276

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#90263p6488 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LUMBERTON, N.C. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SNAT) and NBSC Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: NBSC) of Sumter, South Carolina announced today that they have entered into a letter of intent to merge through an exchange of common stock with an estimated value of $53 million based on recent market prices. The principal subsidiary of NBSC Corporation is The National Bank of South Carolina, the third largest independent bank in South Carolina.

The transaction, which is expected to be completed in the second quarter of 1991, will make Southern National the fifth largest bank holding company in North Carolina with $4 billion in assets while doubling its market share in South Carolina.

The terms of the merger will be finalized in a formal merger agreement to be negotiated in the next several weeks. The number of shares of Southern National stock to be exchanged will vary from 4,800,000 shares to 5,300,000 shares depending on the price of Southern National stock at the time the exchange ratio is set. The merger is subject to the negotiation of a definitive agreement, and approval by federal regulators and shareholders of both corporations.

"NBSC is an outstanding, well-managed company that shares our philosophies and strategies," said Southern National Chairman Hector MacLean. "This merger will allow us to serve several new markets at the same time that it brings very desirable in-market merger advantages. We will be much stronger together than we could be separately."

NBSC Corporation, with $540 million in assets, is the third largest bank holding company headquartered in South Carolina. The bank has 28 branches in 10 counties located in central and eastern South Carolina. The merger will increase Southern National's assets in South Carolina to $1 billion and double its banking network in the state to 53 offices.

"We're bringing some very fine management talent onboard," MacLean said. "There are some areas of their operation that we'll be able to incorporate into our organization. Also, there are great efficiencies that can be gained by this merger."

The National Bank of South Carolina will become part of Southern National Bank of South Carolina, a subsidiary of Southern National Corporation. Sumter will serve as headquarters for the South Carolina bank. The transaction will make Southern National the fourth largest bank holding company that operates in both North and South Carolina.

The merger will significantly increase Southern National's market share in Charleston, Columbia and the Grand Strand. "This is a good fit for us," said

NBSC Chairman Marvin D. Trapp. "We believe it to be in the best interest of our shareholders, our customers and our employees." Trapp, who has been at the NBSC helm the past 17 years, will be named vice chairman of Southern National Corporation and vice chairman of Southern National Bank of South Carolina.

NBSC, which opened new branches in Irmo and Myrtle Beach last year, has 450 full-time employees. The merger will represent the largest undertaken by Southern National. SNC completed mergers last month with two savings and loan companies in western North Carolina: Mutual Federal Savings and Loan Association of Elkin and Western Carolina Savings and Loan Association, Inc. of Valdese.

Southern National is a multi-bank holding company with $3.3 billion in assets. It has 148 banking offices in 78 cities and communities in the Carolinas.

CONTACT: Bob Denham, Public Relations, Southern National Corporation, 919-671-2427; Marvin D. Trapp, Chairman, 803-778-8284 or Nancy S. Mayne, Marketing, Public Relations, 803-775-1211, both of NBSC Corporation

-30- 3895

#90263p6489 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Apple Bancorp (NYSE: APK) stated today that counsel for Stanley Stahl and for the company have today commenced discussions concerning the procedures for assuring, as Stahl has requested, that simultaneously with the consummation of his tender offer at 12:01 a.m. on Oct. 2, 1990, Stahl's nominees would constitute a majority of the board upon his acceptance for payment of all shares tendered pursuant to his $38 per share cash tender offer, which shares together with the 30.3 percent Stahl currently owns would constitute a majority of the outstanding shares.

CONTACT: Fred Spar or Leslie Uyeda of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Apple Bancorp

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#90263p6490 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Air Products and Chemicals Inc. (NYSE: APD) today declared a quarterly dividend on the company's common stock of 36 cents per share.

The dividend is payable Nov. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 4.

The quarterly dividend was increased from 33 cents per share to 36 cents by board action in June 1990.

CONTACT: Kevin Ramundo of Air Products and Chemicals, 215-481-4346

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#90263p6494 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOSTON (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Eaton Vance Prime Rate Reserves, a $2 billion continuously offered closed-end fund, announced today the establishment of a $300 million commercial paper program. According to Moody's Investor Service this is the first commercial paper program established by a mutual fund investing in bank loan interests. The fund's commercial paper has been assigned the highest possible ratings, A-1+ by Standard & Poor's and Prime-1 by Moody's.

The fund's commercial paper is insured by Capital Markets Assurance Corporation (CapMAC) with a liquidity facility provided by Citibank, N.A. Merrill Lynch will serve as placement agent for the program. According to Moody's "The Prime-1 rating is based on the strength of the bank loan assets and the transaction structure -- the claims paying ability of CapMAC, rated triple A, and the liquidity facility furnished by Citibank."

In announcing the program, James B. Hawkes, fund president, noted that, "The commercial paper program will benefit Prime Rate Reserves by providing low-cost funds which can be used to efficiently manage the unpredictable cash flows associated with a portfolio of bank loan interests. Furthermore, direct access to the commercial paper market as a high-quality borrower ensures that Prime Rate Reserves will have access to funds on favorable terms in an uncertain environment in the banking industry."

Prime Rate Reserves whose goal is an effective yield approximately equal to the average prime rate of leading U.S. banks, invests primarily in senior, fully secured, floating-rate bank loan interests. Eaton Vance Management, the fund's investment advisor, has assets under management of over $7 billion.

CONTACT: James B. Hawkes or Jeffrey S. Garner, 617-482-8260, of Eaton Vance

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#90263p6495 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
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CONTACT: James B. Hawkes or Jeffrey S. Garner, 617-482-8260, of Eaton Vance

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#90263p6501 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE) is presently conducting a study of ways to enhance services to its deaf and hearing-impaired customers.

Currently, BG&E offers the following services: -- toll free TTY/TDD telephone number through which customers may contact the company and receive prompt service.

-- sign-language interpreters available at three BG&E office locations to assist customers.

-- listing in a national TTY/TDD directory published by Telecommunications for the Deaf Inc.

Additional ways of improving service to deaf and hearing-impaired customers may be suggested by calling BG&E representative Ron Hokemeyer at 800-492-5539 (TTY/TDD) or 301-234-5498 (voice).

BG&E also offers a wide range of services to all of its customers. In addition to supplying gas and electric service, the company sells, repairs, and offers maintenance plans on a variety of home appliances. Also, customers can take advantage of the Budget Billing Plan to level out the cost of their monthly bills, and the Energy Manager Program to reduce their energy costs. For information on these programs and services, or for billing assistance, call 800-492-5539 (TTY/TDD) or 301-685-0123 (voice).

CONTACT: Charles J. Franklin Jr. of BG&E, 301-234-7433

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#90263p6502 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBANY, NY (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Rates for water service provided by the Spring Valley Water Company, an affiliate of United Water Resources (NYSE: UWR), will increase by 3.6 percent starting today, but customers of the utility will not foot the bill for the rate hike for about two years, according to an agreement reached by the company and the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC).

As a result of the agreement, Spring Valley is permitted to increase its revenues by 3.6 percent, or $1.17 million annually as of today, and by an additional 3.6 percent or $1.19 million annually as of Dec. 1, 1991.

Spring Valley will apply its deferred federal income tax benefits resulting from the Tax Reform Act of 1986 (TRA-86) to offset these rate increases. Customer bills will show an entry indicating a 3.6 percent credit to reflect the TRA-86 tax benefit offset, until the tax benefits are depleted or until the PSC directs otherwise.

TRA-86 lowered the federal corporate tax rate from 46 percent to 34 percent. Spring Valley Water, by directive of the PSC, set up deferred accounting procedures to accumulate and preserve the benefits derived from TRA-86 until the PSC approved a method of distributing the benefits to customers.

Spring Valley filed its first rate increase application in five years in December 1989. The application requested a 10 percent increase to cover increases in operating costs, general tax revenue requirements and depreciation.

In an effort that saved considerable time and expense, Spring Valley reached an agreement with the PSC staff on the issues. According to Haskew, the agreement process benefits the company's customers by reducing the cost of pursuing rate relief.

As a result of the rate agreement, Spring Valley Water will study potential cost-effective conservation initiatives. The company wi ? hire a consultant to determine to what extent a more aggressive conservation program can achieve a reduction in water demand and thus attempt to delay the construction and subsequent rate increases associated with the Ambrey Pond Reservoir.

United Water is a holding company whose principal subsidiaries, Hackensack and Spring Valley water companies, provide water service to about a million residents of northern New Jersey and southern New York. The company has about 16 million shares of common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Martha Green of United Water Resources, 201-784-9434.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Seligman Common Stock Fund, the growth and income mutual fund of the Seligman Family of Funds, today declared a third-quarter dividend of 10 cents per share, payable Sept. 28 to shareholders of record Sept. 20. Shares of Seligman Common Stock Fund will be offered "ex-dividend" on Sept. 21, 1990. The dividend is the fund's 243rd consecutive quarterly payment.

J. & W. Seligman & Co. Incorporated, founded in 1864, is an investment manager and advisor with more than $8 billion in assets under management. The firm serves pension plans, institutions and individuals. In addition to the Seligman Family of Mutual Funds, with 30 portfolios, the firm also manages Tri-Continental Corporation, the nation's largest equity closed-end investment company, and Seligman Select Municipal Fund, a closed-end tax-exempt bond fund.

CONTACT: Ellen De Domenico of J. & W. Seligman & Co., 212-488-0382

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#90263p6505 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

STURBRIDGE, MA (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - SpecTran Corporation (NASDAQ: SPTR) today announced receipt of an order for approximately $1 million for product intended for use in a variety of multimode optical communication applications.

Delivery will begin in September 1990, with approximately one-half of the shipments scheduled for delivery in calendar year 1991. Sales resulting from this order do not rely on SpecTran's patent licenses and therefore are not subject to the quantity limitations contained therein.

Commenting on the order, SpecTran's president and chief executive officer, Raymond E. Jaeger, said, "This type of business is particularly important because the company then has the potential to grow annual revenues in both 1990 and 1991 beyond the level set by restrictions in one of the company's patent licenses. As a consequence of these and other non-licensed product sales this year, we now expect that 1990 revenues will increase over last year's results of approximately $8 million thus making our goals of positive cash flow for the year and a return to annual profitability more achievable."

SpecTran Corporation develops, manufactures and markets glass optical fibers.

CONTACT: Larry Kuranko of Hackmyer & Nordlicht, 212-421-6500, for SpecTran

-30- 1444

#90263p6510 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PASADENA, CA (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Avery International Corp. (NYSE, PSE: AVY) today reported net income of $13.3 million, or $.30 per share, for the third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, compared to $18.9 million, or $.43 per share, in the same quarter last year. Sales increased 6 percent to $449 million from $423 million.

Net income for the first nine months was $54.8 million, or $1.24 per share, compared to $63.3 million, or $1.44 per share, in 1989. Sales increased 5 percent to $1.35 billion from $1.28 billion.

Excluding the impact of legal and other expenses related to the merger of Avery and Dennison Manufacturing Co., quarterly net income was $.38 per share, a decrease of 12 percent. For the nine months, net income was $1.32 per share a decrease of 8 percent.

Charles D. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "A weak worldwide industrial economy, particularly in the automotive and retail department store markets, as well as significant economic declines in Canada, Australia and the United Kingdom, negatively affected results for the quarter. Additionally, profitability in our European operations continues to be affected by the bankruptcies of three large customers of our specialty diaper tape business and market development costs in our materials businesses. The strong performances of the company's roll papers, roll films and office products businesses in the United States could not offset these major influences."

Miller continued, "I am pleased that our core U.S. office products and roll materials businesses are benefiting from steady market growth and from continued productivity-improvement efforts. Our industrial label businesses in the U.S. and France continue to meet improvement expectations."

Miller said, "Productivity improvement and cost reduction programs are producing desired results at many of our business units. However, we expect weakness in worldwide economies to continue in the period immediately ahead.

Avery also announced today that Avery and Dennison have agreed to give the U.S. Department of Justice until Oct. 12, 1990, to complete its review of their merger. The companies anticipate closing on or shortly after Oct. 12, 1990. The merger was approved by the shareholders of each company on Sept. 11 1990.

Avery, headquartered in Pasadena, is a leading worldwide Fortune 300 manufacturer of self-adhesive base materials, labels, tapes, office products and specialty chemicals.

CONTACT: Diane B. Dixon (media), 818-304-2118, or Wayne H. Smith (investors), 818-304-2001, both of Avery International

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#90263p6511 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
MADISON HEIGHTS, MI (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Code-Alarm, Inc. (NASDAQ: CODL) announced today the renewal of the company's contract with General Motors Service Parts Operations for the manufacture of GM Goodwrench Vehicle Security Systems and Keyless Entry Systems. The contract runs from Sept. 1, 1990, through Aug. 31, 1991.

Industrywide vehicle security sales are expected to grow by 20 percent annually through 1994, according to the Electronic Industries Association. Code-Alarm, Inc. itself has enjoyed a sales growth rate averaging 75 percent per year for the past five years.

Rand Mueller, president and CEO of Code-Alarm, stated, "We view this fifth renewal of our GM partnership as a continuation of a very constructive working relationship."

CONTACT: Kenneth Mueller of Code-Alarm, Inc., 313-583-9595

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#90263p6528 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
ASHLAND, KY (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashland Oil Inc. (NYSE: ASH) today reported that its APAC Construction Group has signed a letter of intent to acquire Outer Banks Contractors Inc., an integrated highway and utilities contractor based in Kitty Hawk, N.C.

The value of the transaction was not disclosed, and is subject to applicable governmental approvals.

Outer Banks Contractors is a family-owned integrated highway and utilities contractor operating in northeastern North Carolina. As part of its highway construction operations, the firm operates hot-mix asphalt and ready-mix concrete plants and has sand pits, aggregate supply facilities, and marine transportation equipment and facilities. Established in 1962, Outer Banks Contractors is expected to have 1990 revenues of more than $40 million.

"Outer Banks Contractors will be a valuable addition to the APAC Construction Group and provides a geographical strategic fit to our existing operations in North Carolina," said G. William Jones, president of APAC Inc., based in Atlanta. Jones added that Outer Banks Contractors' senior managers have agreed to continue in their present positions after the acquisition.

Ashland's APAC group of companies is the leading highway contractor in the United States. Operating in 15 states, APAC companies are major suppliers of such materials as hot-mix asphalt, ready-mix concrete, construction aggregates

and other specialized construction materials.

Ashland Oil is the nation's 58th largest, publicly held industrial corporation. The diversified energy corporation is engaged in petroleum refining, transportation and marketing; retail gasoline marketing; motor oil marketing; chemicals; coal; highway construction; oil and gas exploration and production.

CONTACT: Roger Schrum of Ashland Oil, 606-329-4061

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#90263p6532 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Canadian Auto Workers today expect a new contract offer from the Ford Motor Company of Canada.

Talks with the company continued late into last night and picked up early again this morning. CAW President Bob White today reported some progress but said he would have to wait and see Ford's offer this afternoon.

Ford will present the offer to the CAW at 3:00 p.m. this afternoon at a main table meeting in the Oxford Room (lower level) of the Westbury Hotel.

Following the meeting, White will hold a media briefing in the Clarendon Room (main level) of the Westbury.

CAW members at Ford have been on strike since last Friday midnight at Ford facilities in Windsor, St. Thomas, Oakville, Niagara and Bramalea. The key issues for the CAW are greater worker security, increased wages and cost-of-living allowance, better benefits, and reduced work time.

CONTACT: Peggy Nash of Canadian Auto Workers, 416-975-9163

-30- 1126

#90263p6533 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors for HomeFed Corp., the parent company of HomeFed Bank, FSB (NYSE: HFD), at its Sept. 18, 1990, meeting, declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.05 on the company's common stock. The dividend for the current quarter will be payable Nov. 16, 1990, to stockholders of record on Oct. 19, 1990.

With $19 billion in assets and $973 million in stockholders' equity at June 30 1990, HomeFed Bank, FSB, operates a network of 214 branches throughout California.

CONTACT: Kaye Rowan or Sheree Zizzi of HomeFed Bank, 619-699-8424

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CONTACT: Roger Schrum of Ashland Oil, 606-329-4061

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#90263p6562 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
HASTINGS, MINN. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Micro Display Systems, Inc. announced today results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

The company reported a net profit of $2,132,300 or $.18 per common share including an extraordinary credit of $4,285,700 versus a loss of $4,664,500 or $.63 per common share including an $886,900 extraordinary credit last year. The operating loss was $1,517,600 or $.13 per common share versus an operating

loss of $4,816,000 or $.65 per common share in 1989. For the fourth quarter the company's operating loss was $152,600 on sales of $974,800 versus an operating loss of $2,350,000 on sales of $142,200 for the same quarter last year.

"Significant progress has been made during 1990," said Jerome B. Crary, chairman of the board, president and CEO. "The shareowners equity position has improved by $3,100,000; gross profit increased over $1,300,000; a new line of credit established; over $2,500,000 of debt/equity investments obtained and operating expenses reduced about $1,900,000 or 48 percent despite spending 17 percent more on research and development. Coupled with strategic personnel changes, new OEM and dealer relationships and an expanded product line, we are optimistic about our ability to complete the Micro Display Systems turnaround. However, continued sales improvement and additional capital are essential to this effort."

Micro Display Systems, Inc. designs and markets a line of full-page video display systems for use in the micro computing marketplace. The company's products are targeted to desktop publishing, computer-aided design and drafting (CADD) and general office automation applications.

MDSI stock is traded on the National Quotation Bureau "Pink Sheets."

CONTACT: Randall H. Pierce of Micro Display Systems, 612-437-2233

-30- 2023

#90263p6565 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUGAR LAND, TX (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Imperial Holly Corp. (AMEX: IHK) declared a regular quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share on common stock, payable Oct. 9, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: James Kempner of Imperial Holly Corp., 713-491-9181

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#90263p6567 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEDFORD, MASS. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Millipore Corporation (NYSE: MIL) announced a quarterly dividend of 11 cents per share payable on Oct. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Oct. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: John S. Glass of Millipore Corporation, 617-275-9200

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#90263p6568 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDLOTHIAN, TX (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Chaparral Steel Co. (NYSE: CSM) today reported net income of $3,410,000 or 10 cents per share for the first quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990. Last year's earnings for the similar period were $7,016,000 or $.22 per share.

"Chaparral's results during the quarter were disappointing due to selling prices which were substantially lower than last year," stated President Gordon E. Forward. "As positive current order booking and pricing trends continue, second quarter margins will begin to show improvement over the levels of the past several quarters."

Chaparral Steel is a manufacturer of steel products which are shipped throughout North America and to points in Europe and Asia.

CONTACT: Alan D. Halliburton of Chaparral Steel Co., 214-647-6730

-30- 956

#90263p6570 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Washington D.C. Circuit today cleared the way for United Airlines' planned Oct. 1 schedule at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport which the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) had approved Sept. 12. American Airlines had requested the Court of Appeals to suspend that approval pending court review of the FAA order.

United Chairman and President Stephen M. Wolf said, "The Court of Appeals ruling is a victory for the traveling public. The FAA's approval of United's new schedule, which the Court of Appeals has allowed to go forward, will benefit all passengers using O'Hare."

American's planned fall operations, with evening arrivals and departures overlapping those of United, would have increased airport congestion. The FAA had ruled that United's new schedule, which separates United's flights from American's, will improve operational efficiency and reduce congestion and delays at O'Hare.

CONTACT: Joe Hopkins, 708-952-5770, or Sara Dornacker, 708-952-6561, or evenings, 708-952-4008, both of United Airlines

-30- 1282

#90263p6582 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Oncotech Inc. announced the filing of a Registration Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to its proposed initial public offering of 1,300,000 shares of Common Stock. It is currently anticipated that the initial public offering price will be between $7.00 and $9.00 per share. The company will have 3,319,380 shares

outstanding after the offering.

Dain Bosworth Inc. and Cruttenden & Co. will co-manage the offering. A copy of the preliminary prospectus can be obtained from the office of Dain Bosworth Inc., 100 Dain Tower, Minneapolis, Minn., 55402 or Cruttenden & Co., 4600 Campus Dr., Suite 201, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

Oncotech Inc., based in Irvine, Calif., is a clinical laboratory and drug development services company. The company has developed and is marketing two assay technologies to further its objectives of improving the selection of chemotherapy for cancer patients and expediting the development process for new anticancer drugs. These assays, conducted on human tumor specimens, can predict instances of resistance in patients' tumors to various anticancer agents and provide other information useful both to physicians in selecting from available forms of cancer therapy and to drug developers in determining the potential efficacy of new anticancer agents.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer; solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

CONTACT: Paul G. Kanan of Oncotech Inc., 714-474-9262

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#90263p6585 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRYN MAWR, PA. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bryn Mawr Bank Corp. (NASDAQ: BMTC) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 38 cents per share, payable. Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 5.

CONTACT: Joseph D. Smith, vice president of Bryn Mawr Bank Corp., 215-526-2384

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#90263p6586 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - PPG Industries (NYSE: PPG) will close its Crystal City, Mo., flat glass manufacturing plant by year's end, the company announced today.

Joseph Cafaro, PPG flat glass products vice president, said the large capital expenditure required to modernize the nearly 100-year-old facility to meet

current PPG standards is not warranted because of excess capacity in the flat glass industry.

"We regret the effect of this decision on our employees and the community," Cafaro said. "Since the mid-1980s, when we first announced that production likely would end because of industry conditions, we have closely monitored the situation. Economic conditions now require us to implement this decision."

Cafaro said the plant's 273 employees will receive outplacement counseling and other employment-assistance services. Company representatives will meet with officials of the Aluminum, Brick & Glass Workers International Union, which represents the 231 production and maintenance employees and clerical employees to negotiate benefits and other conditions of termination.

Cafaro said no decision has been made regarding disposition of the property.

The plant will be closed when production of a special high-strength aircraft glass, Herculite II glass, is completed.

CONTACT: Jean Verlich of PPG, 412-434-3019

-30- 1516

#90263p6587 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWALK, CONN. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Perkin-Elmer Corporation (NYSE: PKN) announced today that Horace G. McDonell, 62, chairman and chief executive officer, intends to take early retirement at the end of November 1990. He is standing for reelection to the board of directors at the company's annual meeting in November, and would continue to serve as a director after his retirement.

The board has designated Gaynor N. Kelley, 59, currently president and chief operating officer, to assume the duties of chairman, president and chief executive officer effective Dec. 1, 1990.

McDonell stated, "With the successful completion of our restructuring program, which leaves us a focused analytical instruments and material sciences company the time has come to implement our succession plan. For a number of years, Gaynor and I have worked together toward this outcome. I am pleased that the board has chosen this course." He went on to say, "The company is indeed fortunate to have in Gaynor Kelley a capable leader, experienced in the analytical instruments and material sciences industries, to take our business into the 1990s."

Kelley joined Perkin-Elmer in 1950 and has held numerous management positions including Instrument Group vice president. He was elected a director in 1984 and was named president and chief operating officer in 1985. From 1980 until 1982, he served as chairman of the Scientific Apparatus Makers Association.

Kelley is a member of the board of directors of Hercules Incorporated and Clark Equipment Company. He also serves on the advisory board for the Center for Management Development at Northeastern University. He, his wife Diane, and children reside in New Canaan, Conn.

CONTACT: Edward Bloch of Perkin-Elmer, 203-834-6472

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#90263p6588 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - North Star Universal, Inc. (NASDAQ: NSRU) announced today that it has reached an agreement in principle to sell Universal/Duramark Companies, Inc. and Industrial Gasket Company in separate transactions to unrelated parties. The aggregate book value of these subsidiaries is approximately $11 million, as of Aug. 31, 1990. The sales, while subject to negotiation of separate definitive sales agreements and other conditions, are expected to be completed in the fourth quarter of calendar 1990.

In addition, the company announced it has sold 315,000 shares of Michael Foods Inc. (NASDAQ: MIKL). In commenting on the sale, Miles Efron, president and chief executive officer, said, "North Star presently intends to maintain its majority position in Michael Foods. Proceeds from the sale of the two subsidiaries and the sale of Michael Foods stock will be used to reduce outstanding debt and improve North Star's overall capital structure."

CONTACT: Peter Flynn of North Star Universal, Inc., 612-546-7500; or John Mackay of Padilla Speer Beardsley Inc., 612-871-8877, for North Star Universal

-30- 1314

#90263p6589 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T today announced that its free fax service enabling family and friends to send messages to American military personnel serving in the Middle East will begin carrying greetings Friday.

Designed as a morale-booster for the troops in Operation Desert Field, the one-way service allows a loved one in the United States to send a single-page greeting from any of the 400 AT&T Phone Centers nationwide, including 40 in the Bay Area.

Messages are carried on special forms available at the Phone Centers. People fill in the forms with the name of a person stationed in the Middle East, the person's APO/FPO address, and that person's military identification number. A designated space for a written message or drawing occupies three-fourths of the form.

After the faxes are sent from the Phone Centers to the Middle East, the Military Postal Service will deliver the messages to troops at regular mail calls. Because the fax messages will be sent electronically, the time required to reach their destinations will be significantly reduced.

Addresses of AT&T Phone Centers can be obtained by calling 800-555-8111, ext. 36, between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

CONTACT: Randall A. Shields, 415-978-2229 (office), 415-512-7251 (home); or Nancy Crispino, 415-978-2225 (office), 415-792-7788 (home); both of AT&T

-30- 1596

#90263p6595 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROSEMEAD, CA (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - SCEcorp (NYSE: SCE), the holding company for Southern California Edison Company, today declared a quarterly common stock dividend of 0.66 cents per share.

The following dividends were declared by Southern California Edison Company on three series of its $100 cumulative preferred stock: $1.83125 on the 7.325 percent series, $1.895 on the 7.58 percent series and $3.0775 on the 12.31% series.

Each of the dividends is payable Oct. 31 to shareholders of record on Oct. 5.

CONTACT: Melanie Savage of SCECorp, 818-302-7948

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#90263p6597 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Medtronic, Inc. (NYSE: MDT), today declared a quarterly dividend of 20-1/2 cents per common share of the company's stock.

The dividend is payable on Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 10, 1990.

Medtronic, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, is a leading developer and manufacturer of biomedical devices for improving cardiovascular and neurological health.

CONTACT: Elizabeth Combs, investor relations, 612-574-3038, or Dick Reid, public relations, 612-574-3052, both of Medtronic

-30- 764

#90263p6598 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Reuters Holdings PLC today announced changes in the structure of its technical development, marketing and data control management. The changes come into effect on Oct. 1.

Glen Renfrew, managing director and chief executive of Reuters, said: "The changes are designed to accelerate the integration and enhancement of Reuter products, support the quality and expansion of our databases, eliminate duplication and devote more resources to looking after customers."

Management by separate groups of real-time and historical information and trading room products will be discontinued. Transaction Products and Media Products will retain their separate identities.

Under the new structure, Buford Smith, senior vice president, marketing and development, Reuters Information Services Inc., is appointed senior vice president, Information Product Technology. He will direct the development of a common delivery platform to provide real-time and historical news, data, graphics and analytical services for all markets sectors on individual terminals and via trading room systems. He continues to report to Andre Villeneuve, president, Reuters America.

Marketing of information and trading room products will be handled within the three Reuter management areas -- Reuters America, Reuters Europe, Middle East and Africa and Reuters Asia.

David Morgan, general manager, Trading Room Systems, is appointed marketing director, Reuters Europe, Middle East and Africa, with the additional worldwide responsibility of directing the specification, launch and management of global information and trading room products. He continues to report to David Ure, managing director, Reuters Europe, Middle East and Africa.

The company will also transfer staff from other activities to ensure more direct contract with customers. The purpose is to meet the present and future needs of customers more effectively.

A high-level data quality management function will also be established in each area, responsible for both real-time and historical information. It will oversee the accuracy, speedy updating and timely expansion of the total Reuter database and secure delivery of data to subscribers. Martin Vickery is appointed operations director of Reuters Europe, Middle East and Africa for this function. He will also coordinate database quality control and expansion throughout the company.

Mark Wood, editor-in-chief, will assume control of development specifications for real-time and historical news products.

Peter Benjamin, managing director, Reuters Historical Information, is appointed director, special projects, with global responsibility for

acquisitions.

John Hull, executive vice president, Reuters America, remains responsible for transaction products. Hans Ouwerkerk remains product group leader, media products.

Reuters Holdings PLC supplies the global business community and news media with a wide range of facilities including real-time financial data and transaction services, access to numeric and textual historical databases, news and news pictures. Reuters has a controlling interest in Visnews the international television news agency, and Reuter Group companies design and install trading room systems. Reuters obtains information from around 160 exchanges and over-the-counter markets and from a network of 1,310 journalists photographers and cameramen. Reuters distributes information through approximately 200,000 video terminals and teleprinters. This includes information directly transmitted to clients' computers.

CONTACT: Robert A. Crooke of Reuters America, 212-603-3587

-30- 3842

#90263p6599 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Christian Action Counich -- along with virtually every national American and Canadian pro-life/pro-family organization -- has called for a boycott of corporate supporters of Planned Parenthood, today said that the decision of Dayton Hudson to resume Planned Parenthood funding is "no surprise."

"We expected the reversal," said Douglas R. Scott, director of public policy for the CAC and founder of the project. "We are surprised by what we were once told was a commitment by Dayton Hudson to make Planned Parenthood ineligible for future grants. We were not surprised when the company announced it would resume funding."

Scott said Dayton Hudson, unlike most corporate supporters of Planned Parenthood, has a long history of supporting Planned Parenthood "not just financially but philosophically." He said the Dayton Hudson hierarchy is well known as a supporter of liberal groups. "That's why the reversal was predicted," Scott said. "When you meet with Planned Parenthood officials, you are inclined to support the group's agenda anyway, and you refuse to hear from the other side. It was not hard to figure out what was going to happen." Scott said he was so sure the decision would not last that he left the Dayton Hudson name on the list of corporate supporters of Planned Parenthood.

"It's funny," Scott continued, "Dayton Hudson said it wants to avoid involvement in the abortion debate. But Dayton Hudson has been anything but media shy. We believe that non-involvement means giving money to neither side. Dayton Hudson's idea of neutrality is to give financial support to

Planned Parenthood." Scott said that in labor negotiations, the union always asks for more than they expect to get -- even the unreasonable. Management always offers less than they are willing to give -- even the unreasonable. "Maybe our mistake was being reasonable in the first place," Scott said. "We did not demand funding. We simply asked that neither side be funded. So the so-called 'compromise' is to give Planned Parenthood everything it wants.

"We have been in contact with a Dayton Hudson shareholder who intends to seek a legal remedy to this problem," Scott said. Thomas Strobhar is considering suing Dayton Hudson over what Strobhar calls its "submission to Planned Parenthood's extortion-like tactics." Strobhar explains that Dayton Hudson has essentially been told, "'give us money or we'll destroy your business.' Pro-lifers, on the other hand, ask for nothing and gain nothing -- especially financially."

Strobhar said the Dayton Hudson board has "abrogated its fiduciary responsibility to act in the best interest of shareholders. Planned Parenthood is 'shaking down' Dayton Hudson's shareholders. If they (Dayton Hudson) ever stop giving, for whatever reason, Planned Parenthood will do whatever it can to harm the business and, in turn, its shareholders," Strobhar said. "The task of the company is to make money for its shareholders in an upright and legal manner. Caving in to Planned Parenthood's demands does not coincide with this task."

Scott said he believes Dayton Hudson and Planned Parenthood will attempt to use the reversal to impact decisions by other corporations. "What others need to understand is that there is a special relationship here," Scott said. "We believe this has been planned for some time. Dayton Hudson supposedly cancels grants to Planned Parenthood, reverses its decision based on alleged negative reaction to its decision, and then the decision is used to the hilt." Scott emphasized that reports he has received show that most calls to Dayton Hudson supported its decision to stop funding Planned Parenthood. "But that's not what Dayton Hudson or Planned Parenthood would have us believe. They will claim the decision was largely based on an imaginary out-pouring of opposition to the decision."

Scott said the CAC is considering its response. "Dayton Hudson can support any group it wants to support. But they will not be supporting America's No. 1 abortion provider and the world's No. 1 abortion supporter with the money of Christians and other pro-lifers. Therefore, the boycott will not only be continued but intensified. We are considering placing pickets at as many Dayton Hudson stores as possible. Other responses are also under consideration.

"Dayton Hudson's claim that its funds will go into a separate line item category and be used for educational purposes is ludicrous," Scott said. Scott reminds everyone that while Dayton Hudson does not directly support abortions, any restricted funds given to Planned Parenthood releases unrestricted funds for abortion and abortion advocacy. "We have explained

this to Dayton Hudson over and over again, and it's like they cannot hear us." Scott also notes that all Planned Parenthood affiliates are required to either perform abortions or refer for them.

The Christian Action Council (CAC) is the nation's largest Protestant pro-life organization. Based in the greater Washington area, the CAC was founded in 1975 and has more than 500 local affiliate organizations throughout the United States and Canada.

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FAIRLAWN, OH (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Today the board of directors of GenCorp Inc.(NYSE: GY) declared a quarterly cash dividend of $0.15 per share on the issued and outstanding $0.10 par value common stock of the company. The dividand is payable Nov. 30, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 1, 1990.

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FAIRLAWN, OH (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - GenCorp (NYSE: GY) announced today the election of Harry A. Shaw, III, chairman and chief executive officer of Huffy Corporation, Dayton, Ohio as a director of the corporation. The election occurred today at the company's regularly scheduled board of directors meeting and is effective immediately.

Shaw joined Huffy Corporation in 1969 as national accounts sales manager and has held various positions in marketing and general management during his career with the company. In 1973 he was named corporate vice president -- marketing and was appointed president and general manager of the California Bicycle Division in 1975. Shaw was named president and chief operating officer of the company in 1979. Three years later he was elected president and chief executive officer and was elected chairman and chief executive officer in 1986.

Shaw is a director of Society Corporation and the Duriron Company. He is also a member of the board of trustees of the Miami Valley Hospital, the Dayton Art Institute and Greater Dayton Public Television. He is the organizer and a member of the Dayton Business Committee and serves as chairman of the Dayton area United Way Campaign.

Prior to joining Huffy Corporation, Shaw was with U.S. Steel for seven years in various sales and marketing positions. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1959-1963 and achieved the rank of lieutenant.

Shaw earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H. in 1959. He also completed the advanced management program at Harvard Business School in 1978.

GenCorp is a technology-based company with strong positions in aerospace, automotive and related polymer products.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas Industries Inc.(NYSE: TXI) today reported net income of $28,441,000 for the first quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990. Last year's earnings for the similar period were $2,124,000.

"Net income represented the gain from the sale of United Cement Co.," stated President Robert D. Rogers. "Losses from the company's cement/concrete operations were reduced from the prior year and were offset by Chaparral's income. Future trends are positive in both cement and steel and the coming quarters should show more favorable results."

Texas Industries, a FORTUNE 500 company, produces steel, cement/concrete products and develops real estate.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The dividend rate per annum for First Union Corporation's (NYSE: FTU) Series 1990 Cumulative Adjustable Rate Perpetual Preferred Stock will be 9.95 percent for the quarterly dividend period beginning October 1, 1990.

The quarterly dividend rate per annum is calculated pursuant to a formula and is determined prior to the beginning of each quarterly dividend period. When paid, the rate is applied against $50 per share regardless of the market price per share of the preferred stock. Under the formula, the rate per annum is equal to the sum of 1 percent and the highest of a three-month "Treasury Bill Rate", a "10-Year Constant Maturity Rate", and a "30-Year Constant Maturity Rate."

The corporation also announced that it has repurchased and from time to time may repurchase additional outstanding shares of the preferred stock for its account, depending on market and other conditions.

The preferred stock was issued in connection with the January 29, 1990 merger between First Union Corporation and Florida National Banks of Florida, Inc. It is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "FTUpr." The preferred stock closed at a price of $44 1/4 on September 19, 1990. There were approximately 7.1 million shares of First Union preferred stock outstanding as of June 30, 1990.

First Union Corporation (NYSE: FTU and FTUpr) had assets of $38.4 billion as of June 30, 1990, and operated 779 banking offices in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee and 277 nonbanking offices in 36 states.

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ROSEMEAD, CA (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of SCEcorp (NYSE: SCE) today elected John E. Bryson chairman and chief executive officer, and Michael R. Peevey president, effective Oct. 1. The two men fill the vacancies created by the planned retirement of Howard P. Allen as chairman, chief executive officer and president. Allen, who becomes 65 in October, retires as chairman and chief executive officer on October 1. He will remain as chairman of the executive committee of the board and continue on the boards of both SCEcorp and Southern California Edison Company. (Note to Editors: Allen's 37-year business and civic career are detailed in a separate press release, and complete biography, both attached.)

Bryson, 47, was also elected chairman and chief executive officer and Peevey was also elected president of Southern California Edison Company, the utility subsidiary of SCEcorp, and both Bryson and Peevey were elected to the boards of directors of both SCEcorp and Southern California Edison.

"With my retirement, I leave the active management of SCEcorp and Southern California Edison in the hands of two extremely capable and experienced individuals," Allen said. "They bring to the company's top leadership a breadth of experience both within and outside the company that will assure continuation of the high-quality customer service, financial success, and operational strength which has been an Edison hallmark. This company has exceptional leaders in Mr. Bryson and Mr. Peevey."

The newly elected chairman, Bryson, commented, "Our challenge as the new management team is to maintain and enhance Edison's preeminence in our core electric utility business and to develop further in this country and abroad our non-utility businesses. We will build on Edison's foundation of excellence in service, reliability, financial strength, and social and environmental responsibility."

"The next decade will bring unique challenges to SCEcorp and Edison," said Peevey. "We will need to manage our enterprises with intelligence and innovation. Fortunately, we have the management throughout our company to do that."

Bryson is currently executive vice president and chief financial officer of SCEcorp and Southern California Edison Company. He joined Edison in February 1984, as senior vice president for law and finance. In January of 1985, he was made executive vice president and chief financial officer.

He is a member of both SCEcorp and Edison's four-man management committee and at various times has had direct responsibility for Edison's customer service, law, system planning and research, treasurer's, corporate secretary's and controller's departments. Bryson is also a member of the board of directors of the Mission Group, SCEcorp's non-utility business holding company, and is a director of each of SCEcorp's non-utility businesses.

Before joining Edison, Bryson was a partner in the San Francisco office of the corporate law firm of Morrison and Foerster. From 1979 to 1982, he served as president of the California Public Utilities Commission which regulates electric, gas, telephone and water utilities and inter-city transportation services in California. Before that, he served for nearly three years as chairman of the California State Water Resources Control Board, the state agency responsible for water rights and water quality.

Bryson earlier was a co-founder and attorney for the Natural Resources Defense Council. He also has been vice chairman of the Oregon Energy Facility Siting Council, and has engaged in private law practice. He served from 1976 to 1979 as a member of the California Pollution Control Financing Authority, and from 1977 to 1979 as a member of the California Water Rights Law Review Commission. He graduated from Stanford University and has his J.D. from Yale Law School.

Bryson is a director or trustee of Claremont University Center and Graduate School, the World Resources Institute, Washington, D.C., the California Environmental Trust, the Los Angeles Music Center, and Pacific American Income Shares, Inc. He also served as a director of Applied Energy Services Inc., Washington, D.C., and a trustee of the Stanford University Alumni Association, and served for two years as a visiting lecturer at the Stanford Law School. (Note to editors: complete biography is attached.)

Peevey, 52 years old, joined Edison in 1984 as vice president, overseeing the revenue requirements and governmental affairs departments. He was elected senior vice president in 1985 and executive vice president in 1986. At various times he has had responsibility for customer service, revenue requirements, governmental affairs, system planning and research, human resources, information services, and administrative functions.

Peevey is also a member of the board of directors of the Mission Group, SCEcorp's non-utility business holding company, and is a director of each of SCEcorp's non-utility businesses.

Before joining Edison, Peevey was a co-founder and then president for 11 years of the California Council for Environmental and Economic Balance (CCEEB). Before that, he had been director of research for the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO, and coordinator of community programs for the Institute of Industrial Relations at the University of California, Berkeley. He also was an economist for the U.S. Department of Labor in Washington, D.C., for four years.

Peevey holds master's and bachelor's degrees from the University of California at Berkeley. Peevey is chairman of the Regional Institute of Southern California. He is a member of the boards of the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, the American Nuclear Energy Council, the Joint Council on Economic Education, New York, and the Economic Literacy Council of California. He previously has served, among many civic responsibilities, as a member of the California State University and Colleges Board of Trustees, from 1977 to 1985. He also has served on the boards of the California Housing Finance Agency and the California Maritime Academy, among many responsibilities.

SCEcorp is the holding company for Southern California Edison Company, an electric utility serving over 4 million customers and more than 10 million people in its 50,000 square mile service territory in southern and central California. Edison is the nation's second largest electric utility measured by the number of customers it serves, and ranks first in profits and second in revenues. SCEcorp also owns the Mission Group and its non-utility subsidiaries engaged in energy production, real estate and financial ventures. One of those subsidiaries, Mission Energy, is one of the nation's largest non-utility energy producers. In 1989, SCEcorp had revenues of $6.9 billion and net income of $778 million. Its assets are $15.4 billion, and it has 17,000 employees.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert D. Kennedy, chairman, president and CEO of Union Carbide Corp. (Danbury, Conn.), has been elected chairman of the board of directors of INROADS, Inc., at the organization's annual meeting.

Daniel L. Toll, chairman of Corona Corp., and Robert H. Gaynor, retired vice president of AT&T, were re-elected vice chairmen. Gerald C. Thayer, vice president and treasurer of Anheuser-Busch Companies Inc., was re-elected treasurer.

INROADS is a business-supported internship and development organization for outstanding minority students aiming for managerial careers in business and industry. The St. Louis-based organization has 4,941 college and high school students and more than 2,000 graduates. INROADS operates in 37 locations: Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Charlotte, N.C., Chicago, Cincinnati/Dayton and Columbus, Ohio, Dallas-Ft. Worth, Denver, Detroit, Fairfield-Westchester Counties, Washington D.C., Houston, Indianapolis, Jacksonville, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Memphis, Minneapolis-St. Paul, Nashville, northern and central New Jersey, New Orleans, New York City, North Carolina Triangle, northeast Ohio, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Pittsburgh, Richmond, Va., St. Louis, San Diego, San Francisco Bay, Tampa Bay, and upstate New York. Two affiliates cover entire states: West Virginia and Wisconsin.

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MALVERN, PA. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - R. James Macaleer, chairman of the board of directors of Shared Medical Systems Corp. (NASDAQ: SMED) today announced the company's regular quarterly dividend of $.21 per share, payable on Oct. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record on Sept. 30.

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#90263p6634 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Santa Fe Pacific Corporation (NYSE: SFX) announced today that the definitive proration factor was .8256565 in its offer to exchange common stock for its 16 percent senior subordinated debentures due 2003.

A final count revealed that $261,126,000 principal amount of debentures were tendered by the deadline of midnight, Sept. 11. The company accepted $215,600,400 principal amount for exchange. The company will issue 14,498,741 common shares as a result of the exchange offer.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Lee Korins, chairman and CEO of the Pacific Stock Exchange (PSE), applauded the decision of the Board of Directors of NIKE Inc., to list the company's Class B Common Stock on the Pacific and New York stock exchanges simultaneously. NIKE announced its intention to

list on the PSE yesterday.

"As a preeminent international corporation based on the West Coast, NIKE enables current -- and future -- shareholders to benefit from the competition between the two exchanges, as well as the availability of PSE markets after the close of the New York and other domestic exchanges," Korins stated. (The PSE is open for stock trading one-half hour after the New York close.)

Korins continued, "The PSE has listed options on NIKE stock since 1987. By listing the stock itself, this Exchange can offer the investing public the convenience of trading both NIKE stock and options at a single marketplace."

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#90263p6641 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today reported its U.S. assembly plants' schedule for the week of Sept. 24.

Newark (Del.) Assembly Plant will operate two 9-1/2-hour daily shifts next week.

Sterling Heights (Mich.) and Dodge City/Warren (Mich.) Truck assembly plants will operate two nine-hour daily shifts next week.

Belvidere (Ill.) will operate two nine-hour daily shifts for three days next week. Belvidere will also work two overtime shifts on Saturday, Sept. 22.

The company reported that its Toledo (Ohio) and St. Louis II (Fenton, Mo.) assembly plants will operate two eight-hour daily shifts next week.

St. Louis I (Fenton) will operate a single eight-hour daily shift next week.

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#90263p6650 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOKYO (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Executives of Acustar, a subsidiary of Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) and one of the world's largest manufacturers of automotive components and integrated systems, this week are meeting with Japanese automakers as part of a major campaign to obtain automotive component contracts with Japanese original equipment manufacturers.

According to Acustar Chairman Erick A. Reickert, the company's emphasis and interest in Japan is a result of Acustar's global marketing orientation and

the Japanese auto industry's desire to substantially increase component sourcing with U.S. companies.

"The Japanese government's current support of U.S. imports has created a very favorable business environment," Reickert said. "We feel very challenged by the opportunity to enter one of the world's largest yet traditionally most difficult markets."

While in Japan, Acustar executives are meeting with representatives of the Japan Ministry of International Trade and Industry, the U.S. Commerce Department, and Michael H. Armacost, U.S. Ambassador to Japan.

Acustar engineers recently completed an analysis of all major Japanese car lines to evaluate components in use and determine which Acustar components and systems offer enhanced performance, quality and/or price benefits.

These products -- including vapor canisters, automotive vinyl, hard trim, tail lights, automotive wiring, manual transaxles, and electronic engine and transaxle controllers --- are featured in the reception and exhibit used to introduce Acustar to Japanese senior automotive purchasing executives in Tokyo.

Acustar has been pursuing international business. Its international customers include Volkswagen, Volvo, Fiat, Austin Rover, Iveco-Ford, Leyland DAF, Renault and Mitsubishi. Acustar also is a supplier to Diamond-Star Motors, the Chrysler-Mitsubishi U.S. joint venture. Acustar is headquartered in Troy, Mich.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Scott Paper Co. (NYSE: SPP) said today it appears earnings for the third quarter and the year may not reach the same levels as the third quarter and full year of 1989, excluding special items in 1989.

Philip E. Lippincott, Scott's chairman and chief executive officer, commented that "the same problems which have persisted over the past several quarters have continued into July and August. I am very disappointed that we have not made greater progress in solving these problems."

Lippincott went on to say that in looking at the different parts of Scott's business, "the company's U.S. tissue operations remain strong. However, significant improvement in some of Scott's other operations is taking longer than expected. S.D.Warren, Scott's printing and publishing papers business, which is undergoing a major capacity expansion, continues to experience high manufacturing and operating costs. Within Europe, the anticipated improvement

in performance has not fully materialized due primarily to the weak economy in the United Kingdom and the highly competitive marketplace in France. The results of Scott's foodservice business, despite improvements in a number of areas, continue to be behind plan. And, the company has not yet realized significant benefits from slowly declining pulp prices. Additionally, Scott's performance has been affected by high interest expense because of high capital spending levels necessary to support the aggressive expansion program, increased working capital needs and the decreased cash flow due to lower earnings."

"Despite my disappointment with the difficulties we have been experiencing in implementing our strategies," Lippincott said, "I am confident we can successfully deal with the challenges confronting our business. The market demand for Scott products generally remains strong, and I continue to be convinced that our strategies for growth are sound and will be rewarding."

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SALISBURY, N.C. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Food Lion, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FDLN), an operator of supermarkets in ten states, principally in the Southeast, announced the following record sales and profits for the third quarter of 1990 ended September 8, 1990.

STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED INCOME (UNAUDITED)
(amounts in thousands except per share amounts)

	12 WEEKS ENDED 9/8/90	12 WEEKS ENDED 9/9/89	PER CENT INCR.	36 WEEKS ENDED 9/8/90	36 WEEKS ENDED 9/9/89	PER CENT INCR.
Net Sales	$1,319,417	$1,106,286	19.3	$3,794,869	$3,186,574	19.1
Profit Before LIFO and Income Tax	70,920	58,287	21.7	205,926	168,484	22.2
LIFO	4,000	5,100	-21.6	10,500	15,259	-31.2
Profit Before Income Tax	66,920	53,187	25.8	195,426	153,225	27.5
Income Tax	26,320	20,918	25.8	76,861	60,264	27.5
Profit After LIFO and Income Tax	40,600	32,269	25.8	118,565	92,961	27.5
Earnings Per Share	0.1260	0.1002	25.7	0.3681	0.2887	27.5
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	322,145	321,989		322,117	321,951	

For the third quarter of 1990, profit before LIFO and income tax increased 21.7 percent while profit after LIFO and income tax increased 25.8 percent

over the third quarter of 1989, outpacing the sales gain during the quarter of 19.3 percent.

Year to date profit before LIFO and income tax increased 22.2 percent while profit after LIFO and income tax increased 27.5 percent, outpacing the sales gain of 19.1 percent.

The company posted a 5.38 percent profit margin before LIFO and income tax and 3.08 percent profit margin after LIFO and income tax, as compared to 5.27 percent and 2.92 percent respectively, for the third quarter of 1989.

Year to date, the company posted a 5.43 percent profit margin before LIFO and income tax and a 3.12 percent profit margin after LIFO and income tax, as compared to 5.29 percent and 2.92 percent last year, respectively. The same stores sales growth was 6.0 percent for the period, 4.9 percent for the quarter and 5.4 percent year to date.

At the end of the third quarter, the company had 728 stores compared to 622 at the end of the third quarter of 1989. During the third quarter, 25 new stores were opened and two older stores were closed.

Work is progressing on the first phase of the distribution center in Plant City, Florida, with completion anticipated in the second quarter of 1991. The company has begun construction of a distribution center in Greencastle, Pennsylvania with completion anticipated in the third quarter of 1991.

Earlier this year, the company announced plans for expansion into Texas. This expansion is scheduled for approximately a year from now. A number of sites have already been selected for future Food Lion stores and a site selection for a distribution center is in the final stages.

The company intends to add as many as 45 stores in the last quarter of 1990.

FOOD LION, INC.
STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Unaudited)
For the 12 and 36 Weeks ended Sept. 8, 1990 and Sept. 9, 1989
(Dollars in thousands except per share data)

	12 Weeks Ended	
	Sept. 8, 1990	Sept. 9, 1989
	(A)	(B)
Net Sales	$ 1,319,417	$ 1,106,286
Cost of goods sold	1,055,120	886,884
Gross profit	264,297	219,402
Selling and adminstrative expenses	171,444	144,846
Interest expense	6,884	6,662
Depreciation and		

amortization	19,049		14,707	
	197,377		166,215	Income before
income taxes	66,920		53,187	
Provision for income taxes	26,320		20,918	
Net income	$ 40,600		$ 32,269	
Earnings per share	$ .1260		$ .1002	
Dividends per share	$ .0334		$ .0253	
Weighted average number of shares outstanding				
Class A	162,430,325		162,274,160	
Class B	159,714,544		159,714,544	
Total	322,144,869		321,988,704	

	36 Weeks Ended		
	Sept. 8, 1990	Sept. 9, 1989	
	(C)	(D)	
Net Sales	$ 3,794,869	$ 3,186,574	
Cost of goods sold	3,028,252	2,558,489	
Gross profit	766,617	628,085	
Selling and adminstrative expenses	494,707	412,225	
Interest expense	21,535	20,573	
Depreciation and amortization	54,949	42,062	
	571,191	474,860	Income before
income taxes	195,426	153,225	
Provision for income taxes	76,861	60,264	
Net income	$ 118,565	$ 92,961	
Earnings per share	$ .3681	$ .2887	
Dividends per share	$ .1001	$ .0758	
Weighted average number of shares outstanding			
Class A	162,402,720	162,236,566	
Class B	159,714,544	159,714,544	
Total	322,117,264	321,951,110	

	12 Weeks		36 Weeks	
	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
	Pct	Pct	Pct	Pct
Net Sales	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Cost of goods sold	79.97	80.17	79.80	80.29
Gross profit	20.03	19.83	20.20	19.71
Selling and adminstrative expenses	12.99	13.09	13.04	12.94
Interest expense	.52	.60	.56	.64
Depreciation and amortization	1.45	1.33	1.45	1.32
	14.96	15.02	15.05	14.90
Income before income taxes	5.07	4.81	5.15	4.81

Provision for income taxes	1.99	1.89	2.03	1.89
	3.08	2.92	3.12	2.92

FOOD LION, INC.
BALANCE SHEETS
(Dollars in Thousands)
(Unaudited)

Assets	Sept. 8, 1990	Dec. 30, 1989	Sept. 9, 1989
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 34,567	$ 15,682	$ 16,064
Receivables	70,826	72,932	54,887
Inventories	568,047	577,853	514,245
Prepaid expenses	8,145	4,740	3,657
Total current assets	681,585	671,207	588,853
Property, at cost, less accumulated depreciation and amortization	684,119	610,470	567,380
Total assets	$1,365,704	$1,281,677	$1,156,233
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity Current liabilities:			
Notes payable	$ 0	$ 131,710	$ 49,084
Accounts payable, trade	251,496	237,008	224,573
Accrued expenses	176,804	104,322	127,089
Long-term debt - current	3,304	12,844	2,180
Capital lease obligations - current	4,090	3,171	2,663
Income taxes payable	40,871	21,783	29,502
Total current liabilities	476,565	510,838	435,091
Long-term debt	97,606	99,926	109,201
Capital lease obligations	126,675	95,017	73,449
Deferred income taxes	38,123	35,833	37,285
Deferred compensation	1,648	1,609	1,569
Total liabilities	740,617	743,223	656,595
Shareholders' equity: Class A non-voting common stock, $.50 par value	81,223	81,172	81,145
Class B voting common stock, $.50 par value	79,857	79,857	79,857
Additional capital	1,003	728	622
Retained earnings	463,004	376,697	338,014
Total shareholders' equity	625,087	538,454	499,638
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	$1,365,704	$1,281,677	$1,156,233

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 20,) PR NEWSWIRE - Solectron Corp. (NASDAQ: SLTN), the nation's second largest independent provider of integrated manufacturing services to electronic original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) announced record sales and earnings for the three month and fiscal year periods ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Solectron Corp. reported net sales of $59.7 million for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, bringing total fiscal year net sales to $204.7 million. These record results represent increases of 50 percent and 58 percent, respectively, when compared to net sales of $39.7 million and $129.8 million for the comparable quarter and fiscal year results a year ago.

Income before income taxes for the three-month period ended Aug. 31, 1990 also increased 54 percent to $4.2 million from $2.7 million for the comparable quarter of fiscal 1989. Full year income before income taxes amounted to $13.3 million in fiscal 1990, representing a 75 percent increase over $7.6 million in the prior fiscal year.

Net income for the fourth quarter was $2.4 million, an increase of 52 percent from last year's fourth quarter net income of $1.5 million. Net income for fiscal year 1990 was $7.4 million, an increase of 74 percent when compared with $4.3 million of net income for fiscal year 1989.

Earnings per share for the fourth quarter and fiscal year periods ended Aug. 31, 1990 were $0.36 and $1.26, respectively, compared with $0.35 and $0.93 for the comparable periods a year ago. Prior to Solectron's initial public offering on Nov. 14, 1989, lower outstanding shares were included in the calculation of earnings per share figures for the comparable periods a year ago.

Solectron's full year operating margins improved to 6.7 percent in fiscal 1990 from 6.5 percent in fiscal 1989. Return on equity also improved to 27 percent in fiscal 1990 from 22 percent in fiscal 1989, outperforming industry averages.

Solectron Corp., founded in 1977, has total assets of $89.3 million at Aug. 31 1990.

Solectron emphasizes high quality, customized manufacturing, providing surface mount and turnkey assembly. Solectron has accumulated a total of 27 quality awards, including eight awarded during fiscal 1990, from its customers, such as Apple Computer, Conner Peripherals, Exabyte, Hewlett Packard, IBM,

Mitsubishi, Sun Microsystems and Xerox. Solectron employs approximately 2,000 people and is headquartered at 2001 Fortune Dr., San Jose, California 95131.

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ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Geonex Corporation (NASDAQ: GEOX) announced today the appointment of Christopher Thompson as managing director of Geonex-Story Limited, formerly J.A. Story and Partners.

The firm was purchased in May 1990 in a cash agreement by Geonex Corporation. The 50-year-old firm, which has 110 employees, specializes in land, aerial and architectural surveys, detection and surveing of underground services, cartography and reprographics. Geonex Story Limited is the industry leader in color aerial photography. The expertise and resources of Geonex Story complements the overall services of the corporation.

Christopher Thompson brings with him more than 25 years experience in the surveying and mapping disciplines, having served with the U.K. Military Survey and the Ordnance Survey of Great Britain. He graduated from Cambridge University in 1956 with a B.A. degree in Mechanical Sciences, attended the School of Military Survey and, in 1969, earned a diploma in photogrammetry at University College, London. Commissioned into the Royal Engineers in 1953, he retired from military service in 1987 as a Major General -- his last post being director of military survey.

Geonex Corporation, based in St. Petersburg, Fla., is the United States' largest geo-information company. Using the most advanced technology, Geonex provides mapping and resource interpretation services to telephone, electric and gas utilities, local, state and federal government agencies and a variety of commercial industries. Geonex now has overall competence in mapping for agriculture and forestry as well as oil, gas and mineral exploration. In the environmental and hazardous waste area, Geonex provides the following services through two units: analysis and testing services; and environmental hazardous waste site investigation and database management services.

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ANAHEIM, CALIF. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Metalclad Corp. (NASDAQ: MTLC) announced today that it has entered into an agreement to sell 1,000,000 shares of common stock of the company to Grant S. Kesler for a purchase price of $1.42 per share with a $.17 per share commission payable to Paradigm Group Inc., an affiliate of Kesler. There are 4,316,740 shares of common stock of

the company outstanding as of the date of this release.

The agreement is subject to a 30-day right of first refusal held by F.N. Wolf & Co. Inc., one of the underwriters of the company's secondary offering that was made in February 1988. The agreement is also subject to the conditions that Kesler is able to arrange for financing of his purchase of the offered shares on or before Nov. 13, 1990, and the satisfactory completion of due diligence by Kesler and the company, including the receipt of an opinion that the sale is fair to the shareholders of the company. Additional terms of the agreement provide for the grant of a five-year option to Kesler for the purchase of an additional 125,000 shares of common stock of the company at a purchase price of $1.50 per share, and an additional 125,000 shares at a purchase price of $2.00 per share, the election of a member of the board of directors to be nominated by Kesler, and the execution of employment agreements with certain key employees of the company for a period of two years at the current rates of compensation and on such other terms as are acceptable to Kelser.

Metalclad Corp. is engaged in industrial insulation services, asbestos abatement services, and insulation material sales to customers primarily in California and Washington.

CONTACT: Mark Tomberlin, CEO of Metalclad Corp., 714-634-9050; or Bruce H. Haglund of Gibson & Haglund, 714-553-8282, for Metalclad Corp.

-30- 2025

#90263p6662 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

RIVERDALE, ILL. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Acme Steel Co. (NASDAQ: ACME) has purchased two slitters and related equipment from Donovan Steel, Inc., Toledo, Ohio. Acme has also leased the former Donovan facility to house the operation, which will do business as the Alta Slitting Corp., a newly formed Acme subsidiary.

"Acme made this purchase primarily to meet the growing steel processing needs of its Alpha Tube subsidiary, which is located in Toledo," explained Brian W.H. Marsden, Acme president and chief executive officer. "It will also improve Alpha Tube's ability to service its customers with high quality, just-in-time delivered products," Marsden said.

Alta will also process up to 3,000 tons of steel per month for Century Steel Corp. of Chicago Heights, Ill. Donovan's sales, merchandising, and purchasing functions will be merged into Century Steel on Oct. 1, 1990. The processing agreement will permit Century to serve Donovan's markets without interruption.

The purchase price was not disclosed, although Acme officials indicated it was not a material item for Acme.

Acme Steel Co. is a fully integrated producer of steel, steel strapping, steel tubing and pipe, and automobile and light truck jacks.

CONTACT: Donald McMahon or Charles Nekvasil of Acme Steel Co., 708-849-2500; or Ron Millman or Audrey Lowe of The Financial Relations Board, Inc., 312-266-7800, for Acme Steel

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#90263p6666 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Piper Capital Management Incorporated announced the initial public offering of 5,500,000 shares of American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1996 (NYSE: BDJ) at $10 per share. The offering was co-managed by Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated (NASDAQ: PIPR); Blunt Ellis & Loewi, a division of Kemper Securities Group, Inc.; McDonald & Company Securities, Inc.; Prescott, Ball & Turben, a division of Kemper Securities Group, Inc.; Raymond James & Associates, Inc.; and Wedbush Morgan Securities. Shares of the American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1996 are listed on the New York Stock Exchange and the Midwest Stock Exchange under the symbol BDJ.

The trust's investment objectives are to provide a high level of current income and to return $10 per share (the initial offering price) to investors on or about March 31, 1996. The trust will invest primarily in mortgage-backed securities that have adjustable interest rates.

The trust is managed by Ben Rinkey, senior vice president, and Jeff Griffin, vice president of Piper Capital Management Incorporated. Piper Capital Management serves as investment adviser to this fund and to six other closed-end funds: American Government Income Fund Inc.; American Government Income Portfolio, Inc.; American Government Term Trust Inc.; American Opportunity Income Fund Inc.; American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1995; and Pacific-European Growth Fund Inc. It also serves as adviser to Piper Jaffray Investment Trust Inc., an open-end investment company that currently offers share in 11 series. Piper Capital Management Incorporated has $3.5 billion in assets under management. The firm is a wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, a full-service investment firm founded in 1895.

A prospectus containing more complete information on the American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1996, including all charges and expenses, may be obtained by calling Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated at 1-800-333-6000, extension 6974. Investors should read the prospectus carefully before investing.

CONTACT: Nancy Strom Solhaug of Piper Capital Management, 612-342-6384

-30- 2400
#90263p6668 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle-Picher Industries (NYSE: EPI) today announced that sales for the third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 were $173.0 million compared with $169.0 million for the third quarter of 1989. Operating income increased to $10.5 million from $4.3 million, while net income was $9.4 million compared with $2.3 million.

Akron Standard Division and the A.D. Weiss Division, which were sold during the second quarter of 1990 and late 1989, respectively, contributed $18.0 million in sales and $1.8 million to operating income in the third quarter of 1989. Net income per share for the quarter was 86 cents compared with 21 cents. Earlier in the year the company discontinued its flight operations and during the quarter, the corporate aircraft were sold. The gain from this transaction contributed 29 cents to net income per share for the quarter.

Although the operating results improved strongly from the weak third quarter of 1989, the Automotive Group remained somewhat soft, particularly at Hillsdale Tool Division and the Plastics Division. Due to the automotive industry's low selling rates and efforts to reduce the inventory of passenger cars, both divisions experienced lower than expected sales volume.

The remaining operations in the Automotive Group experienced reasonably stable levels of business, penetration and experienced above- average growth. Results for operations in the Industrial Group and the Machinery Group were mixed, but generally reflected a lower level of economic activity than experienced earlier in the year.

During the third quarter of 1990, approximately 5,300 new asbestos claims were received compared with 6,000 and 8,000 in the third quarters of 1989 and 1988, respectively. For the nine months, approximately 16,600 new claims were received compared with 17,000 and 17,400 in the first nine months of 1989 and 1988, respectively. During the quarter, approximately 3,400 claims were disposed of compared with 3,500 and 4,100 in the third quarters of 1989 and 1988, respectively, at an average cost, excluding legal and administrative expense, of $6,700 compared with $7,700 and $7,300.

For the nine months, approximately 11,200 claims were disposed of compared with 10,600 and 7,500 in the first nine months of 1989 and 1988, respectively, at an average cost, excluding legal and administrative costs, of $6,100 and $6,300, and $7,200, respectively.

Total settlement, legal and administrative costs for the third quarter were $31 million and for the nine months were $93 million. As of Aug. 31, 1990, there were outstanding agreements to settle approximately 6,000 claims for approximately $41 million with payments scheduled in 1990 and beyond. At the end of the quarter, there were approximately 64,000 claims outstanding. Asbestos costs for the year are expected to be approximately $117 million

compared with the $110 million forecasted earlier in the year.

Operating earnings are expected to be under pressure in the fourth quarter and in the early part of 1991, due to projected lower automotive sales. Because of severe limitations on the company's borrowing capacity, its ability to finance both its operational needs and its asbestos costs is dependent on a substantial reduction in annual asbestos costs.

CONTACT: J. Rodman Nall of Eagle-Picher Industries, 513-721-7010

-30- 3586

#90263p6680 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, OR (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Epitope Inc. (AMEX: EPT) announced today that it will move to a 30,500-square-foot building in Beaverton's Creekside Corporate Park under terms of a five-year lease negotiated through Forum Properties. The move from Epitope's present 15,500-square-foot quarters is scheduled for December.

"The Creekside building will give us additional space to manufacture our current lines of AIDS confirmatory tests as well as our new saliva-based AIDS screening test," said Adolph J. Ferro, president and chief executive officer. "The new facility will also provide added space for research and development projects, especially for development of second generation saliva-based diagnostics and the Agritope grape micropropagation program," Ferro noted.

Epitope Inc. is an Oregon corporation utilizing biotechnology to develop diagnostic tests for AIDS, therapeutic antimicrobial drugs and, through its agricultural unit, Agritope Inc., agronomically superior new plant varieties.

CONTACT: Adolph J. Ferro of Epitope Inc., 503-641-6115; or Shari Annes of Annes & Associates, 415-781-5400, for Epitope Inc.

-30- 1293

#90263p6681 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Oregon Resources Corp. (Vancouver: ORE) announces that the company will not be proceeding with the private placement of up to 1.5 million units at a price of $1.00 per unit as announced on July 10, 1990.

At this time, the company plans, subject to regulatory approval, to continue to close the acquisition of the Flat gold property from Fairbanks Gold Ltd (Vancouver: FX). The company has sufficient funds within its treasury to continue and complete the previously announced 1990 exploration program on the Flat gold property in Alaska. Results of the 1990 program will be forthcoming.

CONTACT: Geoff Chater of Oregon Resources Corp., 604-640-6704

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#90263p6687 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
MEMPHIS, TN (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Express Corporation (NYSE: FDX) announced today that net income for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, increased 42 percent to $43.1 million from $30.4 million in the same quarter a year ago. Earnings per share rose to $.81 compared to $.58 in last year's first quarter.

Revenues in the quarter increased to $1.9 billion and posted a 16 percent increase from the $1.6 billion in the prior year. Operating income rose 19 percent from $108.5 million to $129.2 million, and pre- tax income was up 38 percent to $82.5 million.

CONTACT: Armand Schneider of Federal Express, 901-395-3464

-30- 795
#90263p6690 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
CAMDEN, SC (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Builders Transport, Incorporated (NASDAQ: TRUK) announced today that the outcome of its proxy contest with a dissident shareholder group headed by David Walentas is too close to call at this juncture. Because of the narrow margin of difference between the number of votes obtained by either side in the preliminary count by the inspector of the election, it would be premature for the company or the dissident shareholders to claim victory.

Builders will issue a certified tabulation of votes as soon as it is available following a review and challenge of the preliminary tabulation.

CONTACT: Robert E. Garner, general counsel of Builders Transport, 803-432-1400, or Brian Maddox of Georgeson & Company, 212-440-9862, for Builders Transport

-30- 966
#90263p6693 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Champions Sports, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSBR), a publicly held, Northern Virginia-based sports bar and restaurant company, reported that for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990, it earned net income of $4,294, as compared to a net loss of $72,144 for the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

The first quarter net income also follows Champions' previously reported net loss of $1.3 million for the year ended April 30, 1990.

Champions intends to continue its efforts to improve and restructure and to build upon the positive results of the first quarter along with the new

Marriott agreement that was signed last month.

There are currently 15 Champions sports bars and restaurants. Ten of those are operating in Marriott hotels: Boston; Tampa, Fla.; Atlanta; Chicago (O'Hare); Baltimore (BWI); Los Angeles (LAX); Raleigh, N.C.; Portland, Ore.; Irvine, Calif.; and Springfield, Mass. The other company-owned and franchised Champions are in San Antonio, Texas; Falls Church, Tysons Corner and Richmond, Va.; and Hyannis, Mass. The original Champions is located in Washington. Another franchise location is due to open by the end of January 1991 in Cleveland.

Entrepreneur magazine this year named Champions "Franchiser of the Year" in the Sports Bars and Tavern industry. Champions was also named "1988 Bar Chain of the Year" by Nation's Restaurant News. It is famous for its "Good Food, Good Times, Good Sports" theme, sports memorabilia, televised sports viewing and high energy promotions.

Champions Sports, Inc. owns, franchises and manages Champions Sports Bars and Restaurants nationwide. For company information call 703-241-1000.

CONTACT: James Martell of Champions Sports, Inc., 703-241-1000

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#90263p6709 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Comerica Bank-Texas, in a transaction assisted by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), has acquired the deposits and some of the assets of City National Bank of Irving, Texas. Comerica has the option to purchase additional assets from City National's portfolio.

City National has deposits of approximately $35 million and operates two branches, one at 310 W. Irving Blvd. east of O'Conner, and the other at 222 Las Colinas Blvd.

Banking regulators closed the bank Thursday, Sept. 20. Both offices will reopen Friday, Sept. 21, as branches of Comerica Bank-Texas.

The acquisition of City National is the sixth such move by Comerica in the Dallas area this year. Comerica Bank-Texas now has $1.1 billion in assets and serves its customers through 19 office locations.

CONTACT: Joe Goyne or Robin Roberts of Comerica Bank-Texas, 214-841-1401 or 214-254-6000.

-30- 1081

#90263p6710 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TEANECK, NJ (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Graphnet, Inc. President and Chief Executive Officer Yaakov Elkon announced today the signing of a joint pact with the Czechoslovakia Ministry of Communication for an electronic mail and facsimile document distribution system in Czechoslovakia and throughout the European continent.

The agreement is the first step in a broader international program to deploy the Graphnet facsimile technology for worldwide access and cost-effective distribution. Czechoslovakia joins the growing number of countries who have signed agreements with Graphnet for electronic messaging technology. Graphnet's joint venture with the German Bundespost's TeleKom network will facilitate direct interconnection for Czechoslovakia, at the desired bandwidth with the Graphnet international wideband gateway.

The advanced facsimile technology soon to be announced by Graphnet will enable subscribers in Eastern Europe to forward facsimile documents at competitively low prices to the United States and Japan, with high resolution and reliability over international links. Graphnet's U.S. subscribers will benefit from the arrangement, as well, with significant cost reductions in forwarding facsimile documents to Eastern Europe -- at a fractional cost of what they now pay through AT&T.

Graphnet, Inc., headquartered in Teaneck, with offices in major metropolitan centers across the U.S. and in Europe, has been a messaging service provider since 1968, and a common carrier providing record and data communications services since 1975.

CONTACT: Fran Jacobs of Graphnet, 212-874-6630.

-30- 1802

#90263p6731 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA MONICA, CA (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - WCI Holdings Corp. announced today that the quarterly dividend on its 15-1/2 percent Cumulative Exchangeable Redeemable Preferred Stock will be payable on Nov. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 10, 1990.

The dividend to be paid will be in the amount of approximately $.969 per share of Preferred Stock and will be paid in additional shares of Preferred Stock at the rate of .03875 shares for each share of Preferred Stock. No cash dividends will be made. In lieu of fractional shares, payment will be made in cash equal to the proportionate interest in the net proceeds from the open market sale or sales of the aggregate of all fractional shares otherwise payable as a dividend.

The dividend payment will cover the period from and including Aug. 1, 1990, through and including Oct. 31, 1990.

WCI Holdings Preferred Stock was issued as part of the acquisition of all outstanding shares of Wickes Companies Inc. by WCI Holdings Corp.

CONTACT: Terese Kaminskas of WCI Holdings Corp., 213-452-9469

-30- 1271

#90263p6743 09/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (SEPT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Genus Inc. (NASDAQ: GGNS) is announcing the introduction of its 8720ST system for blanket tungsten deposition. This new entry to the marketplace is a refinement of the Genus 8720 which has been the system of choice for blanket tungsten deposition for tungsten plugs and interconnects in the high volume manufacture of advanced semiconductors since it was introduced in 1988.

Industry standards for system reliability have been raised recently because of the transfer of blanket tungsten to high volume production. At the same time, manufacturers' development efforts toward incorporation of blanket tungsten films into sub-micron devices also demands excellent hole-filling capability while maintaining production throughputs.

The 8720ST is the result of a year-long Genus program to meet the challenge of the new industry standards. The 8720ST provides the semiconductor manufacturer with the capability to fill high aspect holes without voids at an aspect ratio of 3:1 and contact size of 0.4 micron, and at a guaranteed throughput of 30 wafers per hour. The process window has been expanded to a process pressure range of 1 torr to 100 torr and a process temperature range of 350 to 500 degrees Celsius. This very large window allows Genus customers much greater flexibility in the development of their processes to meet their specific needs, than is currently available on the market. The 8720ST also incorporates high reliability wafer handling which has increased system availability for process by 90 percent. Time between system cleaning has been extended to 2,400 wafers which represents an 800 percent increase.

Jim Dodsworth, a Genus marketing manager, in describing the system said, "This new 8720ST provides excellent step coverage required by tighter and tighter geometry needs, while delivering the high throughput and high reliability necessary to keep costs low. The system has been fitted with new software, a more powerful computer which simplifies operation, addresses wafer lot control requirements and provides real- time process monitoring. A patented argon purge eliminates backside deposition over the entire process window, thus eliminating downstream contamination. Shipments of the 8720ST will begin in the fourth quarter of this year," he concluded.

Genus was one of the first companies chosen to be an active participant in the SEMATECH Equipment Improvement Program, and has been working in cooperation with SEMATECH since March of this year to match the 8720 and its critical tungsten CVD processes to SEMATECH's Phase 2 requirements.

Genus Inc. is the leading manufacturer of production equipment for tungsten CVD and high energy ion implantation. Genus products are used in the fabrication of advanced semiconductor integrated circuits by major semiconductor manufacturers around the world.

CONTACT: Marilyn Lund or Jim Dodsworth, both of Genus Inc., 415-960-1120

-30- 3158
#90263t1877 09/20/1990 ~ts

SOFIA (SEPT. 20) TASS - ANDREI LUKANOV WAS ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE BULGARIAN COUNCIL OF MINISTERS. THE SECRET BALLOT WAS HELD IN PARLIAMENT ON WEDNESDAY EVENING AND THE RESULTS WERE ANNOUNCED ONLY AFTER MIDNIGHT.

OVER TWO THIRDS OF DEPUTIES TO THE GREAT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CAST THEIR VOTES FOR THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BULGARIAN SOCIALIST PARTY. THIS PARTY HAS 52 PER CENT OF THE SEATS IN BULGARIA'S SUPREME BODY OF STATE AUTHORITY.

LUKANOV HAS HELD GOVERNMENT POSTS OVER MANY YEARS. FROM FEBRUARY TO AUGUST OF THIS YEAR, HE HEADED THE ONE-PARTY SOCIALIST CABINET THAT RESIGNED BECAUSE ITS MANDATE EXPIRED UPON THE ELECTION OF THE NEW PARLIAMENT.

HOWEVER, ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE GREAT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, THE CABINET CONTINUED TO FULFIL ITS RESPONSIBILITIES.

LATE IN AUGUST, PRESIDENT ZHELYU ZHELEV CHARGED LUKANOV WITH FORMING A NEW GOVERNMENT. BULGARIA'S LEADING POLITICAL FORCES HELD CONSULTATIONS TO ELABORATE A FORMULA FOR THE OPPOSITION'S PARTICIPATION IN THE CABINET. THESE EFFORTS, HOWEVER, PROVED FUTILE.

AT WEDNESDAY'S SESSION OF PARLIAMENT, LUKANOV PRESENTED FOR ENDORSEMENT A LIST OF A CABINET COMPOSED ONLY OF MEMBERS OF THE BULGARIAN SOCIALIST PARTY. PARLIAMENT HAS BEGUN DISCUSSING THE LIST.

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#90263t1883 09/20/1990 ~ts

SYKTYVKAR (SEPT. 20) TASS - BY TASS CORRESPONDENT VIKTOR MAKAROV:

THE LEADERSHIP OF THE KOMI AUTONOMOUS REPUBLIC HAS SENT A MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND OTHER HEADS OF THE SOVIET UNION AND RUSSIA, INFORMING THEM ABOUT THE CRITICAL SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC.

THE LEADERSHIP DEMANDS URGENT MEASURES TO ENSURE THE CENTRALIZED SUPPLY OF CONSUMER GOODS, ESPECIALLY FOODSTUFFS. THE REPUBLIC OPPOSES ULTIMATUM METHODS, BUT IF SUPPLIES ARE NOT ENSURED, THE KOMI REPUBLIC WILL HAVE TO SWITCH TO BARTER EXCHANGE, THE MESSAGE NOTES.

THE REPUBLIC HAS YET TO RECEIVE A REPLY. A KOMI GOVERNMENT DELEGATION HAS LEFT FOR MOSCOW TO DISCUSS THE SITUATION, AS THERE ARE NO PRODUCTS IN SHOPS AND RESERVES AT STOREHOUSES ARE THINNING OUT.

TENSION IS GROWING IN THE REPUBLIC, WHICH COULD LEAD TO MASS DISTURBANCES. THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT IS DISCUSSING HOLDING AN EMERGENCY SESSION TO SEARCH FOR WAYS OUT OF THE CRISIS.

THE DIFFICULT SITUATION ON THE CONSUMER MARKET, ESPECIALLY ON THE FOOD MARKET, IS THE RESULT OF MANY REPUBLICS' REFUSAL TO DELIVER FOODSTUFFS AND CONSUMER GOODS TO THE CENTRALIZED FUND, FROM WHICH THE KOMI REPUBLIC RECEIVES SUPPLIES. THE REPUBLIC HAS IMPLEMENTED ITS PLAN FOR DELIVERIES TO THE CENTRALIZED STATE FUND BY 98 PERCENT.

ADDRESSES TO THE LEADERSHIP OF REPUBLICS AND REGIONS, WHICH HAVE TO SUPPLY THE KOMI REPUBLIC WITH CONSUMER GOODS AND FOODSTUFFS, REMAIN UNANSWERED.

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#90263t1892 09/20/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT. 20) TASS - FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER, OVER 1,300 FIRMS FROM SHANGHAI AND HONG KONG, UNITED IN THE CHUAGUN COMPANY, HAVE DISPLAYED THEIR PRODUCTS IN MOSCOW.

THE EXHIBITION WAS ORGANISED BY THE "MOST" SOVIET ASSOCIATION FOR BUSINESS COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES AND THE CHINA RESOURCES CO. LTD.

A WIDE RANGE OF CONSUMER GOODS IS ON DISPLAY AT THE EXHIBITION, INCLUDING HOME APPLIANCES, WASHING MACHINES, ENAMEL AND STAINLESS STEEL DISHES, VIDEO-, AUDIO- AND TELEVISION EQUIPMENT, SEWING-MACHINES, SPORTS CLOTHES AND FOOTWEAR, WATCHES, KNITTED WEAR FOR CHILDREN AND GROWN-UPS, SILKS AND COTTON FABRIC, LINENS, TOYS, MOTORCYCLES AND BICYCLES, MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS, CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, MACHINE-TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT FOR OIL REFINING AND METAL-WORKING.

THE EXHIBITION IS ORGANIZED ACCORDING TO THE DEMANDS OF THE SOVIET MARKET, CHINA RESOURCES VICE PRESIDENT ZHOU CHUANGU TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE.

HAVING TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT THE LACK OF HARD CURRENCY IN THE SOVIET UNION, EXHIBITION ORGANIZERS AGREED TO STRIKE BARTER DEALS. THE VICE PRESIDENT NOTED THAT THE HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI FIRMS, TAKING PART IN THE EXHIBITION, ARE INTERESTED IN THE DELIVERY OF ROLLED METAL STOCK, PIG IRON, STEEL, TIMBER AND MINERAL AND CHEMICAL RAW MATERIALS FROM THE SOVIET UNION.

EXHIBITION ORGANIZERS ARE PLANNING TO SIGN MUTUALLY ADVANTAGEOUS AGREEMENTS, DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF SETTING UP JOINT VENTURES AND INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION. TALKS WILL BE ATTENDED BY REPRESENTATIVES FROM SOVIET FOREIGN TRADE FIRMS, WHICH WERE RECENTLY SET UP AT SOVIET ENTERPRISES AND RECEIVED THE

RIGHT TO ENTER THE FOREIGN MARKET, AND ORGANIZATIONS OF THE RUSSIAN MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS.

-30- 1849
#90263t1911 09/20/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT 20) TASS - "RUSSIA IS READY TO DISCUSS SYMPATHETICALLY THE ACUTE PROBLEMS OF ARMENIA," SAYS A LETTER SENT BY PRESIDENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION BORIS YELTSIN TO PRESIDENT OF THE ARMENIAN SUPREME SOVIET LEVON TER-PETROSYAN.

THE LETTER EXPRESSED HEARTFELT GRATITUDE FOR A KIND OPINION ABOUT TRADITIONS OF RUSSIAN-ARMENIAN RELATIONS AND HIGH APPRECIATION OF THE PARTICIPATION OF RUSSIAN BUILDERS IN THE RESTORATION OF THE DISTRESS AREA. THE HEAD OF THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT WROTE, THAT DURABLE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO REPUBLICS, BASED ON RECIPROCITY, SHOULD FURTHER DEVELOP, PROMOTING IN THIS WAY THE OVERCOMING OF CONSEQUENCES OF THE TRAGEDY THAT HIT ARMENIA IN 1988.

THE LETTER STRESSED THE NEED FOR ESTABLISHING DIRECT RELATIONS BETWEEN REPUBLICS ON A HORIZONTAL LEVEL.

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#90263t1918 09/20/1990 ~ts
PRAGUE (SEPT 20) TASS - THE CZECHOSLOVAK FOREIGN MINISTRY REPORTED TODAY THAT A WARSAW TREATY SPECIAL COMMISSION ON DISARMAMENT AT THE LEVEL OF DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTERS WOULD HOLD A MEETING IN PRAGUE ON SEPTEMBER 22-23.

IT WILL BE A CONTINUATION OF THE BRATISLAVA MEETING OF THIS COMMISSION WHICH WAS HELD IN THE SLOVAK CAPITAL ON SEPTEMBER 10-11.

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#90263t1923 09/20/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT 20) TASS -- "WE COVERED 4,000 MILES ON UNITED STATES TERRITORY TO STUDY MANAGEMENT, BUSINESS CULTURE, WORK OF MAGISTRATES AND SERVICES IN A NUMBER OF AVERAGE AMERICAN CITIES," MAYOR OF KUIBYSHEV ALEXEI RADIONOV TOLD TASS UPON HIS RETURN HOME AFTER A TWO-WEEK VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES WITH A GROUP OF SOVIET MAYORS.

RADIONOV SAID THE GROUP - THE FIRST OF ITS KIND -- FAMILIARISED THEMSELVES WITH THE WORK OF THEIR AMERICAN COUNTERPARTS, ESTABLISHED BUSINESS CONTACTS AND REACHED AN AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION WITH THE U.S. MAYORS' ASSOCIATION.

THE TRIP WAS ORGANIZED BY THE SOCIOLOGY INSTITUTE OF THE SOVIET ACADEMY OF SCIENCES AND THE JOINT SOVIET-AMERICAN "INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT AND CONSULTING CORPORATION", WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF CONGRESSMAN RALF RAGULA.

ANOTHER GROUP OF RUSSIAN MAYORS IS EXPECTED TO VISIT THE UNITED STATE SOON.

-30- 1026

#90263u0081 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 20) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Basketball

LA Clippers - Signed center Ken Bannister to a 2-year contract; signed guards Clinton Smith and Steve Key.

College

Houston Baptist - Named Ron Cottrell basketball coach.

Football

Buffalo - Signed-free agent punter Rick Tuten; waived fullback Larry Kinnebrew.

Detroit - Placed linebacker Chris Spielman on injured reserve; signed safety John Miller.

LA Raiders - Placed tight end Mike Dyal on injured reserve; signed tight end Andy Parker.

NY Giants - Placed cornerback Mark Collins on injured reserve; signed defensive back Roger Brown.

NY Jets - Signed defensive back Carl Howard; waived linebacker Dan Murray.

Philadelphia - Tight end Keith Jackson agreed to report; placed defensive tackle Mike Pitts on injured reserve; signed wide receiver Kenny Jackson.

San Diego - Placed linebacker Billy Ray Smith on injured reserve; signed linebacker Steve Hendrickson.

Hockey

Boston - Signed forward Bob Sweeney to a 1-year contract.

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#90263u0082 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 20) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Baseball
American League
Cleveland at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.

National League
Montreal at New York, 2, 1:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
San Francisco at Atlanta, 5:40 p.m.
Philadelphia at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Cincinnati at Houston, 8:35 p.m.
San Diego at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

Games
Las Lenas, Argentina - Winter Pan American Games
Tokyo - International Olympic Committee Session

Golf
Endicott, N.Y. - $700,000 PGA B.C. Open.
Buena Park, Calif. - $325,000 MBS LPGA Classic.

Harness Racing
Delaware, Ohio - The Little Brown Jug.

Tennis
Paris - Women's $100,000 Clarins Open, Paris.

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#90263u0166 09/20/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (SEPT. 20) UPI - Israeli sources said Defense Minister Moshe Arens secured a U.S. leasing agreement for F-15 jets and Patriot missiles amid the Persian Gulf crisis and a proposed $20 billion U.S. arms sale to Saudi Arabia.

The deal came out of Arens' meetings in Washington this week with U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, during which the Israeli defense minister told U.S. officials his country needed $1 billion in emergency military aid and an additional $750 million in annual defense funds.

Israel sources told The Jerusalem Post newspaper that Cheney and Arens agreed on the leasing of 15 F-15A and F-15B warplanes, two Patriot anti-aircraft and anti-missile batteries and 10 CH-3 cargo helicopters.

Upon his return to Israel Wednesday before the start of the Jewish New Year, Arens said he was generally satisfied with his U.S. trip, but said more work needed to be done. He declined to comment on the specifics of the deal.

Arens said it was not clear when the United States would respond to Israel's

request for more military aid, but he hoped the deal was an indication Israel would ultimately receive what it requested.

Israeli officials, awaiting a briefing from Arens, said they believed the deal would be the first such U.S.-Israeli lease agreement.

''It certainly would be considered as a step in the right direction,'' said Avi Pazner, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's media adviser. ''Israel's defense needs have now increased many folds and (the deal) is not a complete answer to all our needs.''

Israel has consistently maintained it must not lose its qualitative military edge in the region and Israeli officials said they have received assurances from Washington. Last week, Saudi Arabia informally notified the U.S. Congress of its intent to purchase about $20 billion in sophisticated aircraft, advanced armored vehicles and missiles.

The Saudi shopping list included 24 F-15s, C and F models, in addition to 24 already ordered by the Saudis in a package sent to Congress Sept. 4, 385 M-1 tanks, and between 20 to 28 Patriot missiles, which can intercept incoming ballistic missiles and aircraft.

''Israel is in need of instruments that are vital for her defense, and she has to receive it not in the frame of the regular defense assistance, meaning in exchange for payment,'' Shamir told Army Radio.

Israel receives $3 billion in U.S. economic and military assistance, of which an estimated $1.8 billion is in military aid.

''The U.S. is committed to maintaining Israel's technological superiority,'' Assistant U.S. Secretary of Defense Henry Rowen told The Jerusalem Post. ''We've had an intense series of meetings the last couple of days. I hope (Arens) feels pretty good about it.''

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - The House voted along mostly party lines Wednesday and approved a 283-BILLION-dollar defense authorization bill. The bill includes one- BILLION dollars for Operation Desert Shield items, such as danger pay for military personnel stationed in Saudi Arabia. President Bush may veto the bill because it kills the B-2 stealth bomber and cuts in half the amount Bush sought for the ''Star Wars'' program.

A U-S-chartered Iraqi Airways plane landed at London's Gatwick Airport Wednesday evening, carrying 328 American women and children who were trapped in Kuwait. One more evacuation flight is scheduled to leave Kuwait Saturday. A State Department spokeswoman says the U-S Embassy in Kuwait believes every

American who is able to leave and wants to leave will have been taken care of... and there will be NO more evacuation flights.

Colombia's largest newspaper reported Wednesday the son of the paper's publisher was kidnapped and his bodyguard killed. 28- year-old Francisco Santos Calderon, a news editor at the paper, was abducted shortly after leaving work in a bullet-proof vehicle accompanied by his bodyguard-chauffeur.

NASA has brought in an independent team of agency engineers to conduct a thorough search for the source of a hydrogen fuel leak aboard the shuttle Columbia. The crippling leak has indefinitely grounded Columbia. Despite the setback, NASA is pressing forward with plans to launch the shuttle Discovery October 5th to deploy the Ulysses solar probe into space.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	85	64	.570	-	43-29	42-35	3-7	W-1
New York	83	64	.565	1	51-25	32-39	5-5	L-2
Montreal	79	68	.537	5	43-29	36-39	8-2	W-4
Chicago	71	77	.480	13 1/2	37-39	34-38	6-4	L-1
Philadel.	69	79	.466	15 1/2	35-36	34-43	5-5	W-3
St. Louis	66	83	.443	19	33-44	33-39	3-7	L-4
West								
Cincinnati	83	65	.561	-	42-30	41-35	4-6	L-2
Los Angeles	79	70	.530	4 1/2	42-32	37-38	6-4	L-1
San Fran.	76	73	.510	7 1/2	42-29	34-43	5-5	L-1
San Diego	71	77	.480	12	37-40	34-37	8-2	W-5
Houston	68	81	.456	15 1/2	44-30	24-51	5-5	W-1
Atlanta	60	89	.403	23 1/2	35-41	25-48	2-8	W-1

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Toronto	82	68	.547	-	43-35	39-33	8-2	W-6
Boston	81	69	.540	1	46-27	35-42	2-8	L-2
Detroit	73	77	.487	9	36-39	37-38	7-3	W-4
Milwaukee	69	80	.463	12	34-38	35-42	3-7	L-3
Cleveland	70	80	.467	12 1/2	39-37	31-43	8-2	W-3
Baltimore	67	81	.453	14	35-39	32-42	4-6	W-2
New York	60	89	.403	21 1/2	32-39	28-50	3-7	L-5

West								
Oakland	95	54	.638	-	48-27	47-27	6-4	W-1
Chicago	86	63	.577	9	45-29	41-34	7-3	L-1
Texas	79	70	.530	16	45-30	34-40	7-3	W-1
California	74	75	.497	21	41-36	33-39	5-5	L-4
Seattle	73	77	.487	22 1/2	38-40	35-37	4-6	L-1
Kansas City	69	80	.463	26	42-33	27-47	3-7	L-1
Minnesota	68	83	.450	28	37-38	31-45	3-7	W-2

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - The State Department said most Americans who can leave Iraq and Kuwait have done so, while sources said the United States would send more jet fighters and missiles to Israel as Arab nations seek additional firepower amid the Persian Gulf crisis.

Iraq announced it passed a law allowing it to seize assets of governments and companies that have frozen Iraqi assets abroad and declared that it was no longer responsible for the safety of foreign property in occupied Kuwait and Iraq.

A U.S.-chartered Iraqi Airways plane landed Wednesday at London's Gatwick Airport with 328 American women and children, 35 Britons and an unknown number of other foreign nationals. The Americans spent the night in London and were to fly Thursday to Raleigh, N.C.

One more flight is tentatively scheduled to leave Kuwait Saturday, said State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler. With that flight, she said, the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait believes that every American who is able to leave and wants to leave will have been taken care of and there will be no more evacuation charter flights.

So far, about 1,700 Americans, mainly women and children, have been airlifted out of Kuwait and Iraq since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraqi forces.

Tutwiler said that some women who are American citizens have decided to remain in Kuwait with their husbands.

According to State Department estimates, some 1,200 Americans remain in Kuwait and another 120 in Iraq, including diplomatic personnel in the embassies in Kuwait and Baghdad.

''Iraq's barbaric hostage-holding continues. Men from numerous countries are not being allowed to depart and obviously are being held there against their will. We and the rest of the international community will continue to press for the right of departure of all foreigners and for the release of those who

the Iraqis detain,'' Tutwiler said.

In Jerusalem, Israeli sources said Defense Minister Moshe Arens secured a U.S. leasing agreement for F-15 jets and Patriot missiles amid the Persian Gulf crisis and a proposed $20 billion U.S. arms sale to Saudi Arabia.

The deal came out of Arens' meetings in Washington this week with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, during which the Israeli defense minister told U.S. officials his country needed $1 billion in emergency military aid and an additional $750 million in annual defense funds.

Israel sources told The Jerusalem Post newspaper that Cheney and Arens agreed on the leasing of 15 F-15A and F-15B warplanes, two Patriot anti-aircraft and anti-missile batteries and 10 CH-3 cargo helicopters.

Israel has consistently maintained it must not lose its qualitative military edge in the region and Israeli officials said they have received assurances from Washington. Last week, Saudi Arabia informally notified the U.S. Congress of its intent to purchase about $20 billion in sophisticated aircraft, advanced armored vehicles and missiles.

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The Saudis believe they have the support in the administration and Congress to get the whole package in one shot.

The U.N. Security Council prepared to discuss an air embargo against Iraq to tighten enforcement of economic sanctions imposed after the invasion of Kuwait. Yuliy Vorontsov of the Soviet Union, president of the Security Council this month, said the council would take up the issue of a possible air embargo Friday. Nine Western European nations have called for the air embargo to prevent supplies reaching Baghdad by air in violation of the U.N. embargo.

France said two more French civilians were captured in Kuwait this week and taken to unknown destinations. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has been holding foreign men at vital installations against a possible attack by the U.S.-led multinational force in the Persian Gulf area.

The Iraqi News Agency reported that Iraq passed an eight-part law giving Baghdad the go-ahead to seize assets of governments and companies that have frozen Iraqi assets abroad.

''The seventh article of the law provided for seizing all assets and their revenues belonging to the governments, institutions, companies and banks of the countries that had issued oppressive resolutions against Iraq,'' INA said.

The law stated ''the Iraqi side would not be responsible for any direct or indirect damage'' to their property, equipment and machinery.

It was not immediately clear if the law meant Iraq would immediately seize the assets or whether it was reserving the option to do so.

Diplomats said they could not determine how much foreign assets in Iraq and Kuwait were worth. Oil and other major industries have been state-owned in Iraq and outsiders were allowed to hold few assets there.

Many major companies, especially in the construction and oil industries, did business in the oil-rich emirate and left behind offices and some equipment in the rush to evacuate foreign nationals from the region.

The INA said the ruling council passed the latest law after declaring international freeze on Iraqi assets ''null and void'' and said it ''held banks abroad fully responsible in protecting Iraqi assets deposited with them and their due commercial interests and other profits and rights.''

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Doug Drabek notched No. 20 and Barry Bonds reached 30-30. But the most important number to the Pittsburgh Pirates Wednesday stopped at 6.

Drabek became Pittsburgh's first 20-game winner in 13 years and Barry Bonds joined the exclusive 30-30 club by belting his 30th and 31st home runs to give the Pirates an 8-7 victory over the Chicago Cubs and snap a six-game losing streak.

The victory gives Pittsburgh a one-game lead over the New York Mets in the National League East. The Mets game with Montreal was rained out Wednesday night in New York.

Drabek, 20-6, scattered seven hits over 7 1-3 innings to notch his sixth win in his last seven decisions. John Candelaria was the Pirates' last 20-game winner in 1977, finishing 20-5.

Drabek, a solid Cy Young candidate, raised his record to an impressive 12-3 following a Pirates' loss.

''The main thing is that we put up a 'win' in the win column and right now that's the main thing - keep putting up as many 'W's' as we can until the end of the season,'' Drabek said.

''He's the guy who's stepped in to win when we needed the big one,'' Pirates Manager Jim Leyland said.

Bonds, who has 49 stolen bases, is the first Pirate to reach the 30- 30 club, the eighth player in the National League and 13th in the majors.

He joins his father, Bobby Bonds who was a member of the 30-30 club five times in his major league career. They are the first father-son combination to do so.

''I wanted to reach the (30-30) goal to put my father and myself in a class that I don't think anybody will ever accomplish,'' Barry Bonds said. ''Everyone has asked me 'what's your biggest goal?' and obviously your goal is the Hall of Fame because that's as far as you can go.

Bonds drove a 2-0 pitch from Bill Long with two out and nobody on in the Pittsburgh fifth into the right field bleachers for homer No. 30. He then led off the seventh with a shot into the center field basket off Dave Pavlas for No. 31.

--- AROUND THE NL ---

Elsewhere in the National League, Atlanta topped San Francisco 5-1, Houston downed Cincinnati 5-2, Philadelphia bested St. Louis 8-4 and San Diego beat Los Angeles 9-4.

Braves 5, Giants 1

At Atlanta, Rookie Dave Justice belted his 26th homer and collected three RBI to lead the Braves. Tom Glavine, 9-11, allowed six hits over 7 2-3 innings before giving way to Mark Grant, who pitched out of a bases- loaded threat in the eighth and worked the ninth for his second save. Justice doubled in a run in the first inning off Kelly Downs, 1-2, and added a two-run homer in the seventh.

Astros 5, Reds 2

At Houston, Mark Portugal scattered four hits over 7 1-3 innings to lift the Astros and send Cincinnati to their 10th loss in 16 games. Portugal, 10-10, gained from an early lead to down Danny Jackson, 5-6. Juan Agosto got five outs to earn his fourth save. Ken Caminiti hit his fourth homer of the season, the first homer by a Houston player at the Astrodome since Aug. 8.

Phillies 8, Cardinals 4

At St. Louis, Wes Chamberlain belted his first major-league home run and Dale Murphy hit his 24th to lead the Phillies. Chamberlain hit a solo home run in the second and Murphy delivered a two-run homer in the third to send the Cardinals to their fourth straight loss. Pat Combs, 9- 9, worked five innings for the win while Joe Magrane fell to 9-16.

Dodgers 9, Padres 4

At Los Angeles, Benito Santiago hit a grand slam in the sixth inning to rally San Diego. The Padres recorded their fifth consecutive victory and prevented the Dodgers from gaining on the first-place Reds in the NL West. Los Angeles remained 4 1-2 games behind Cincinnati.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Joe Morgan either deserves an award for poise, or he's not paying attention.

The Boston Manager watched his Red Sox tumble out of first place in an 8-4 loss to Baltimore Wednesday night, then said there's no need to panic.

''We're not in trouble yet,'' he said. ''We're only one game behind. We don't have to panic, if ever. There are no breaks to be had when you're going lousy.''

The Orioles, with the American League's second-worst offense, banged out 12 hits. The decision, combined with Toronto's 7-6 victory over New York, left the Red Sox behind in the East Division.

''We've got to get our butts going in New York,'' Boston outfielder Mike Greenwell said. ''The day off will help. If we can sweep, we'll go home where we play our best.''

Sam Horn lined a three-run homer in the fifth inning, handing the Red Sox their eighth loss in their last 10 games. Boston's slump has coincided with the absence of ace Roger Clemens, who returns to the starting rotation Sunday against New York after resting a sore right shoulder.

''It will be more than a psychological lift, that's for sure,'' Morgan said.

Horn's 13th home run reached the first row of the right-field seats.

Greg Harris fell to 13-8, his first loss against Baltimore in four outings this year and in his career. Anthony Telford, 3-2, pitched five innings for the win.

''I was just a stupid idiot today to let Sam Horn beat me in a game that means as much as this,'' said Harris. ''I let everybody down.

''It will take a while to live this one down. No way I should be beat by this man. That's a guy I wanted to pitch to, who's never touched me.''

The Red Sox scored a run in the first on singles by Jody Reed and Carlos

Quintana and an sacrifice fly by Wade Boggs.

The Orioles jumped ahead 2-1 in the third. Billy Ripken's single scored Chris Hoiles, who had doubled. Brady Anderson singled Ripken to third. Ripken scored on a Harris wild pitch.

Boston tied the score 2-2 in the fourth when Tony Pena singled home Greenwell. Horn's blast made it 5-2 after five innings.

Boston cut the margin to 5-3 in the sixth on Greenwell's 12th home run of the season. It was only Boston's fourth homer in the last 16 games.

--- AROUND THE AL ---

In other AL games, Toronto edged New York 7-6, Cleveland defeated Milwaukee 6-3, Minnesota nipped Kansas City 1-0 in 11 innings, Oakland dropped Chicago 8-4, Texas nipped Seattle 6-5 and Detroit pounded California 12-5.

Blue Jays 7, Yankees 6

At Toronto, Junior Felix highlighted a four-run sixth inning with a three-run homer and Jimmy Key pitched 5 2-3 innings to improve to 11-7. Tom Henke pitched the ninth for his 30th save while Yankee starter Tim Leary, 9-19, took the loss.

Indians 6, Brewers 3

At Cleveland, Jeff Manto homered and collected two RBI and Brook Jacoby added two RBI to lead the Indians. Sergio Valdez, 3-0 since being recalled on Aug. 22, evened his record at 5-5 and Doug Jones earned a club-record 38th save. Jaime Navarro, allowed six runs and 11 hits in 7 1-3 innings and fell to 7-6.

Twins 1, Royals 0, 11 innings

At Minneapolis, Shane Mack delivered a bases-loaded single with two out in the 11th inning to lift Minnesota. Mack's single made a loser of Jeff Montgomery, 6-4. Gary Wayne improved to 1-1, going two innings and allowing one hit. George Brett remained tied in the AL batting race with Oakland's Rickey Henderson, going 2 for 5 with a single and double.

Athletics 7, White Sox 3

At Oakland, Calif., Terry Steinbach delivered a bases-loaded two-run double in the first to help Dave Stewart pick up his 21st win. Stewart improved to 21-10. Jack McDowell, 13-8, lasted just 1 1-3 innings, giving up five earned runs and five hits. The A's lowered their magic number to 5.

Rangers 6, Mariners 5

At Seattle, Jeff Kunkel scored the go-ahead run on Seattle reliever Bill Swift's wild pitch in the eighth inning to give Texas the victory. John Barfield, 4-2, the Rangers' third pitcher, pitched one inning to pick up the victory and Kenny Rogers went 1 2-3 innings for his 15th save. Seattle starter Matt Young, 8-16, took the loss.

Tigers 12, Angels 5

At Anaheim, Calif., Mark Salas stroked a three-run homer and Travis Fryman drove in four runs to power Detroit. Walt Terrell, 5-4, worked five innings for the victory. Jerry Don Gleaton pitched two innnings for his 11th save. Rookie Joe Grahe, 2-4, surrendered six runs in taking the loss.

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(AUG. 20) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

American Conference
East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Miami	2	0	0	1.000	57	31
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	33	40
New England	1	1	0	.500	40	41
NY Jets	1	1	0	.500	44	46
Indianapolis	0	2	0	.000	24	42

Central

Cincinnati	2	0	0	1.000	46	36
Cleveland	1	1	0	.500	34	27
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500	23	22
Houston	0	2	0	.000	36	67

West

LA Raiders	2	0	0	1.000	31	22
Kansas City	1	1	0	.500	47	45
Denver	1	1	0	.500	33	37
San Diego	0	2	0	.000	30	38
Seattle	0	2	0	.000	13	34

National Conference
East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
NY Giants	2	0	0	1.000	55	27
Washington	1	1	0	.500	44	26
Dallas	1	1	0	.500	24	42
Phoenix	1	1	0	.500	23	52

Philadelphia	0	2	0	.000	41	50
Central						
Chicago	2	0	0	1.000	48	13
Detroit	1	1	0	.500	42	52
Green Bay	1	1	0	.500	49	55
Minnesota	1	1	0	.500	53	27
Tampa Bay	1	1	0	.500	52	56
West						
San Francisco	2	0	0	1.000	39	25
Atlanta	1	1	0	.500	61	48
LA Rams	1	1	0	.500	59	50
New Orleans	0	2	0	.000	15	45

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... U-P-I has the latest news. .

The State Department says there's one more evacuation flight scheduled to leave Kuwait, and it will depart on Saturday. An earlier flight landed in London last night carrying 328 Americans, 35 Britons and an UNknown number of other foreign nationals. The Americans are to travel to North Carolina today. .

The U-S economy is barely growing and faces a real threat of recession. That's the analysis presented yesterday by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan. He told a congressional panel that rising oil prices stemming from the Persian Gulf crisis have hurt the U-S economy by boosting inflation.

Engineers at Cape Canaveral are pushing ahead with plans to launch the shuttle Discovery in about two weeks. NASA also is trying to find the source of the hydrogen leak that grounded the shuttle Columbia. An independent team of NASA engineers is to conduct exhaustive tests to try to pinpoint the leak.

More than 40 witnesses testified during five days of confirmation hearings on Supreme Court nominee David Souter. Senate Judiciary Committee chairman Senator Joseph Biden says he plans a vote next Thursday. Souter's approval by the committee is considered a virtual certainty.

Poland's President Wojciech Jaruzelski has offered to step down in November if Parliament, as expected, moves presidential elections up to this fall. The elections currently are scheduled for next year. Pressure has been mounting on Jaruzelski to resign. He's the only remaining senior official of the former communist government.

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#90263u0285 09/20/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 20) UPI - The House passed a 283-BILLION-dollar defense authorization bill, but it still must be reconciled with a 289-BILLION-dollar bill adopted by the Senate. The House version includes one-BILLION dollars for Operation Desert Shield, including items such as danger pay for military personnel in Saudi Arabia.

A court hearing is set for today in Los Angeles to consider arguments for reducing the bail of former Lincoln Savings and Loan executive Charles Keating. Keating's bail currently is five-Million dollars. He and three co-defendants were jailed Tuesday after the UNsealing of a 42- count grand jury indictment.

The president of the Mormon Church is in stable condition at a hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah... following removal of two blood clots from his brain. Doctors say 91-year-old Ezra Taft Benson ''tolerated the surgery very well.'' Benson was hospitalized Tuesday after complaining of severe headaches.

More than a century of tradition comes to an end Sunday at Princeton University when the all-male Ivy Club allows women to apply for membership. A U-S District Judge Tuesday ordered the Princeton eating club to comply with previous orders and admit women.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

Batting

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Brett, KC	519	78	169	.326
RHenderson, Oak	452	111	147	.325
Palmeiro, Tex	547	68	176	.322
Boggs, Bos	581	84	180	.310
Trammell, Det	534	69	165	.309
Parker, Mil	566	68	173	.306
CJames, Cle	488	57	149	.305
EMartinez, Sea	469	68	142	.303
McGriff, Tor	505	86	152	.301
Harper, Min	453	59	136	.300

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Dykstra, Phi	550	98	182	.331

Murray, LA	510	87	166	.325
Magadan, NY	404	69	131	.324
Grace, Chi	542	68	171	.315
Dawson, Chi	485	63	152	.313
Gwynn, SD	573	79	177	.309
LSmith, Atl	422	63	130	.308
Roberts, SD	523	99	161	.308
Bonds, Pit	485	98	149	.307

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 47; McGwire, Oak 38; Canseco, Oak 37; McGriff, Tor 34; Gruber, Tor 28.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 36; Mitchell, SF and Strawberry, NY 35; Bonds and Bonilla, Pit 31.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 121; Gruber, Tor 107; McGwire, Oak 104; Canseco Oak 95; Parker, Mil 92.

National League - Carter, SD 112; Williams, SF 111; Bonilla, Pit 110; Bonds, Pit 109; Strawberry, NY 104.

Doubles

American League - Brett, KC 44; Jo.Reed and Boggs, Bos 43; Calderon, Chi 42; Harper, Min 40.

National League - Jefferies, NY 39; Sabo, Cin, Roberts, SD and Bonilla, Pit 36; Wallach, Mtl and Dykstra, Phi 35.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 17; Sosa, Chi 10; Liriano, Min 9; Burks, Bos and Johnson, Chi 8.

National League - Duncan, Cin 11; Gwynn, SD 10; Coleman, StL 9; Dunston, Chi and L.Smith, Atl 8.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 61; Kelly, NY 38; Sax, NY 36; Pettis, Tex 34; Johnson, Chi 32.

National League - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 57; Bonds, Pit 49; Nixon, Mtl 45; Raines, Mtl and Butler, SF 44.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 111; Fielder, Det 96; Yount, Mil 94; Reynolds, Sea and Franco, Tex 90.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 108; Bonilla, Pit 106; Roberts, SD 99; Gant, Atl, Bonds, Pit and Dykstra, Phi 98.

Hits

American League - Boggs, Bos 180; Palmeiro, Tex 176; Parker, Mil 173; Griffey Jr., Sea and Kelly, NY 171.

National League - Dykstra, Phi 182; Gwynn, SD 177; Sandberg, Chi 174; Grace, Chi and Butler, SF 171.

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 24; Stewart, Oak 21; Clemens, Bos 20; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 18.

National League - Drabek, Pit 20; Viola, NY 19; Martinez, LA 18; Gooden, NY 17; Maddux, Chi 14.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 155 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 1.98; Finley, Cal 2.39; Stewart, Oak 2.67; Appier, KC 2.76; McCaskill, Cal and Stieb, Tor 2.87.

National League - Darwin, Hou 2.22; Whitson, SD 2.39; Viola, NY 2.55; Boyd, Mtl and Rijo, Cin 2.84.

Strikeouts

American League - Ryan, Tex 210; Clemens, Bos 204; Witt, Tex 201; Hanson, Sea 191; Langston, Cal 182.

National League - Martinez, LA 207; Cone, NY 206; Gooden, NY 199; Fernandez, NY 168; Viola, NY 164.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi 51; Eckersley, Oak 43; Jones, Cle 38; Righetti, NY and Olson, Bal 32.

National League - Franco, NY 33; Myers, Cin 29; L.Smith, StL 26; Smith, Hou and Lefferts, SD 23.

Complete Games

American League - Morris, Det and Stewart, Oak 9; Finley, Cal and Clemens, Bos 7; Brown and Witt, Tex, Gordon, KC, Leary, NY and Young, Sea 6.

National League - Martinez, LA 10; Maddux, Chi and Hurst, SD 8; De.Martinez, Mtl, Viola, NY and Drabek, Pit 7.

Shutouts

American League - Clemens, Bos 4; Perez, Chi, Appier, KC and Stewart, Oak 3; 10 players tied with 2.

National League - Morgan, LA and Hurst, SD 4; Martinez, LA, Boyd and Gardner, Mtl, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (SEPT. 20) UPI - The European Community executive commission has rejected a proposal by its top agriculture official on farm supports, saying it did not cut subsidies enough.

Agriculture supports are the crucial issue in the current round of trade-liberalization talks in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

EC Agriculture Commissioner Ray MacSharry withdrew his own proposal on Wednesday night, after it failed to win majority support among the 17 EC commissioners.

The proposal would have reduced EC farm subsidies by 30 percent over a 10-year period, beginning with 1986 as the base year.

U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills criticized the proposal during a visit to Brussels on Wednesday, saying it would cut subsidies by only 10 percent from current levels.

The United States this week unveiled its own plan to reduce farm supports by 70 percent or more over the next decade.

The EC will rethink its position at a meeting of Community agriculture ministers in Brussels next Monday.

The current round of GATT talks is known as the Uruguay Round after the country in which it began four years ago. The round is slated to conclude in

Brussels in December, but the United States is concerned the entire proceedings could collapse over the agriculture issue.

GATT currently covers only merchandise, and not services or agriculture.

Developing nations which produce farm products cheaply seek an open world market in agriculture, while the West seeks free-trade rules on services and intellectual property, such as copyright.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (SEPT. 20) UPI - Other NATO countries should join Britain and France in sending ground troops to the Persian Gulf to bolster the U.S. deployment, NATO's top official said Thursday.

''Let me very clearly state my personal opinion that some allies could and should do more,'' NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner said in an unusually blunt speech to a conference.

He said those steps should include the ''sending of ground troops'' as requested by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker in a Sept. 10 visit to NATO headquarters.

Woerner, a former West German defense minister, did not specify which countries he had in mind in urging further steps.

Acknowledging the ''severe criticism'' of NATO's gulf crisis role from many in the United States, Woerner called for a review - after the gulf crisis ends - of the alliance's restriction on ''out-of-area'' military involvement as outlined in its 1949 charter.

''Can we afford to be limited to consultation where the security of our member states is at risk?'' he asked a conference of officials and academics from throughout Europe and the United States.

The NATO secretary-general said the gulf crisis has forged unprecedented solidarity among NATO's 16 nations, but its charter ''constraints'' had limited its role.

The U.S. ambassador to NATO, William H. Taft IV, also said the alliance needs to review its geographical restrictions. ''The threats may exist 'out of area' but they are to the area,'' he said.

Woerner also said he had some ''concerns'' about NATO's future development that must be addressed.

The 12-nation European Community will develop its own security dimension, he

said, so NATO and the EC must coordinate the areas of ''overlap'' to prevent a disruptive ''rivalry'' from developing.

Woerner cautioned against ''euphoria'' in the wake of the Cold War's dramatic end, which could lead to a weakening of the U.S. commitment to Europe's security. Those ''tendencies'' would be furthered, he said, if Europe went it alone and ''gave the United States a fait accompli.''

''For the foreseeable future, North Americans have an indispensable role in ensuring security'' in Europe, Woerner said.

Noting the presence of journalists at the conference, the NATO chief went out of his way to say his ''concerns'' are not yet ''dangers'' for the alliance, and can be overcome.

''I only want to prevent complacency and a false sense of self- confidence,'' he said.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 20) UPI - Typhoon Flo churned north into open waters of the Pacific Ocean Thursday, and rescue workers and cleanup crews picked through the debris from the fierce storm that left 29 people dead, 10 missing and thousands homeless.

The typhoon, the most powerful to hit Japan in decades, injured 84 people during its three-day battering of the nation of islands, hurling winds up to 100 mph and dumping up to 2 feet of rain in places, police said.

The storm passed over the city of Miyako, 340 miles north of Tokyo, before heading away from Japan and into the northwest Pacific.

Flo brushed Tokyo overnight Wednesday, spawning two tornadoes in the area that injured nine people but generally doing little damage to the metropolis.

The storm proceeded up the northeast coast of Japan's main island of Honshu, then veered northwest, avoiding the northernmost island of Hokkaido.

Flo struck Japan's southernmost island chain of Okinawa late Monday.

From there it moved up the archipelago and slammed into Shirahama, a small coastal city 275 miles southwest of Tokyo, Wednesday night and headed north on Japan's main island.

The heavily populated Tokyo-Osaka corridor was preparing for the worst, but Flo took a benign turn toward the less populated western side of the main island.

Flo cut a 150-mile-wide path of destruction as it moved rapidly through the rice fields of western Japan.

Most of the 29 dead were killed in the southern regions of Japan by landslides and floods that were touched off by torrential rains accompanying the storm.

Seventy-two houses were destroyed and more than 6,000 were flooded, police said. An equivalent of $1.24 million worth of crop damage was reported.

Flo passed about 180 miles east of Amamioshima, a small island off southern Japan, and triggered several killer landslides.

Deadly landslides also were released in Okayama Prefecture, about 300 miles southwest of Tokyo. About 25,000 homes were flooded at Okayama.

Schools set up temporary shelters to house soaking families, many pulled from the raging waters by rescue crews in rubber rafts.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - The U.S. dollar opened higher Thursday against the major European currencies, continuing its rally after comments the previous day by U.S Federal Reserve Chairman, Allan Greenspan that the trend of U.S inflation had not improved.

Analysts took this to mean that U.S. interest rates will not be cut in the near term.

In London the pound lost further ground after falling heavily Wednesday following comments by the president of the Bundesbank, Karl Otto Poehl, who suggested Britain's 10 percent inflation rate was too high and would put off sterling's entry into the European Exchange Rate Mechanism.

The British unit fell to $1.8795 from $1.8862 at the close Wednesday.

The market is now waiting for U.K. money supply figures and for any further statement from the Bundesbank at its meeting later in the day.

The dollar opened higher in Frankfurt at 1.5730 German marks from 1.5665 at Wednesday's close, and was higher in Zurich at 1.3105 Swiss francs from 1.3060.

The dollar was also up in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at 5.2620 French francs vs. 5.1975, 32.50 Belgian francs vs. 32.03, and at 1,175 Italian lire vs. 1,162.25.

Earlier in Tokyo, the U.S. dollar lost its upward momentum against the yen as

investors took profits from its three consecutive gaining sessions.

The dollar closed at 137.05 yen, down 1.00 yen from Wednesday's close of 138.05 yen, the Bank of Japan said.

Market players bought back the yen to make a quick profit from the dollar's rally in the past three sessions, dealers said. The dollar had been rebounding since Monday after its steep decline triggered by anticipation of lower U.S. interest rates.

''The market focused on the U.S. economic outlook, which seems to be heading toward recession,'' said Kimiyoshi Muneishi, chief currency manager at Mitsubishi Bank.

Elsewhere in Asia, the dollar was marginally higher in Singapore, closing at 1.7650 Singapore dollars against Wednesday's close of 1.7645, and in Hong Kong the dollar also closed up at 7.7590 Hong Kong dollars against 7.7588.

Gold closed lower in Hong Kong at $385.45 an ounce from Wednesday's close of $385.95.

Gold opened lower in Zurich at $385.50 an ounce from $386, and also was down in London at $385 an ounce from $386.75.

Silver was unchanged in Zurich at $4.80 an ounce, but was lower in London at $4.80 an ounce from dlrs 4.83.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait:

CAIRO, EGYPT - Three Arab leaders met in Rabat, Morocco, Thursday to discuss an Arab peace plan that calls for the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the establishment of a Kuwaiti government that does not include the ruling al-Sabah family, sources and Arab news reports said. The six-part plan also calls for Iraqi annexation of two strategic islands in the gulf that are considered part of Kuwait. King Hussein of Jordan, King Hassan of Morocco and Algerian President Chedli Benjidid were expected to discuss the Arab peace initiative at the 3-day mini- summit in the Moroccan capital.

The Jordanian newspaper al-Destour said nine Arab countries had already approved the peace initiative, but the report could not be verified. Al-Destour and Arab sources in the region said the plan calls for a complete withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait at the same time Western forces withdraw from the Persian Gulf.

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM - NATO's top official is telling members of the alliance to join Britain and France in sending ground troops to the Persian Gulf to bolster the U.S. deployment. ''Let me very clearly state my personal opinion that some allies could and should do more,'' NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner said in an unusually blunt speech to a conference. He said those steps should include the ''sending of ground troops'' as requested by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker in a Sept. 10 visit to NATO headquarters.

A U.S.-chartered Iraqi Airways plane landed Wednesday at London's Gatwick Airport with 328 American women and children, 35 Britons and an unknown number of other foreign nationals. The Americans spent the night in London and were to fly Thursday to Raleigh, N.C. One more flight is tentatively scheduled to leave Kuwait Saturday. With that flight the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait believes that every American who is able to leave and wants to leave will have been taken care of and there will be no more evacuation charter flights.

CAIRO, EGYPT - Syrian President Hafez Assad's first trip to Tehran since the Iranian revolution is expected to set new ground rules for their shaky alliance. Assad is expected to test the waters in Tehran about a permanent Syrian role in the Persian Gulf to replace U.S.-led multinational forces.

WASHINGTON - The Persian Gulf crisis is flooding the Middle East with a multibillion-dollar wave of highly sophisticated arms - the most lethal of them made in the United States. The White House says it will propose selling the Saudis some $20 billion in advanced aircraft and defensive and offensive missiles, and turbine-powered tanks with laser gun sights.

WASHINGTON - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney has approved imminent danger pay for about 150,000 U.S. military personnel in Saudi Arabia and nearby waters. The declaration provides each serviceman and woman with an extra $110 per month.

ROCKY MOUNT, N.C. - Twelve Hardee's fast food restaurants in Kuwait have closed. Hardee's spokesman John Merritt says nearly every business enterprise in the Middle East is experiencing financial and production problems after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2. But Hardees's Food Systems, based in Rocky Mount, North Carolina, reports extraordinary sales at a restaurant near where U.S. troops are stationed in Saudi Arabia.

BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA - President Carlos Menem risks a temporary setback in popularity at home by sending ships to join the naval blockade against Iraq. Argentina's move to become the first Latin American nation to send warships to the Persian Gulf to help enforce the blockade is a sharp departure from that nation's historic policy of non- alignment.

NEW YORK - Industry officials say oil stockpiling by wholesalers and consumers especially of jet and industrial fuels, apparently has been taking place as

prices have risen. The American Petroleum Institute says the stockpiling appears to date from the increase in oil prices that began in late June rather than the Iraqi invasion.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - A new study says effective family planning methods could reduce the number of infant and child deaths in the Third World by 20 percent. The Population Crisis Committee says infant deaths could be cut by at least one-point-eight-Million... just by increasing the time between births to at least two years. A spokeswoman says it would help break ''the cycle of weak mothers giving birth to weak children.''

South Africa's President Frederik de Klerk announced additional measures yesterday aimed at curbing the black-on-black violence that has killed hundreds of people. De Klerk says the Cabinet ratified measures taken by police during the weekend, but also approved several additional steps. The South African president leaves Saturday for talks with President Bush.

Forecasters say the 11th tropical depression of the Atlantic- Caribbean hurricane season is drifting west with little change in strength. This morning the tropical depression was centered a little more than 700 miles east of the Lesser Antilles in the West Indies, moving west at less than five miles an hour. Maximum sustained winds are near 35 miles-an-hour.

It's NOT very often that prison guards find themselves siding with inmates, but that's the case at a North Georgia youth prison. The guards told state officials they plan to join the inmates in a federal lawsuit over ''insufferable'' conditions at the facility. The lawsuit filed by inmates in 1982 focused on sanitation, under-staffing, violence and idleness at the prison.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 20) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange fell Thursday for the sixth consecutive session as a semiannual closing of books discouraged buying.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which dropped 158.65 points Wednesday, lost another 123.19 points to 23,602.98 - its lowest level since Feb. 2, 1988, when the Nikkei ended at 23,595.37.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Price Index of all major listed shares dipped another 31.75 points to 1,767.97. The index lost 16.61 points Wednesday.

An estimated 400 million shares changed hands, compared with 390 million

shares Wednesday.

Declines overpowered advances 754 to 191, while 156 issues remained unchanged.

Analysts said the market was dominated by arbitrage selling and ''cross'' transactions.

Large institutional investors purchased and sold blocks of the same stock in different markets to record paper profits ahead of the closing of books Sept. 30.

''Eighty-five to 90 percent of the Osaka Stock Exchange volume was crossing,'' said broker Paul Migliorato of Jardine Fleming Securities.

With the twin selling pressures of futures arbitrage and book closures, 17 percent of the shares on the Tokyo exchange's main section hit new lows for the year.

Sentiment in the market was actually much worse than the relatively mild drop in the Nikkei indicated, analysts said.

''Investors were very nervous,'' said broker Tatsuo Kishizaki of Cosmo Securities. ''They felt the market was only supported by the manipulation of the big four securities houses.''

Kishizaki predicted the market would test the 23,000 level next week.

On the trading floor, electricals and electronic related stocks were particularly hard hit including Mitsubishi Electric and Sony.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks closed slightly higher in light trading on the Hong Kong stock exchange as investors capitalized on cheap stocks.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which lost 15.71 points Wednesday, rebounded 3.59 points to 2,984.54.

Among the narrower indexes, properties added 4.02, utilities were up 4.71, financials rose 12.90 but industrials eased 3.10 points.

Volume continued at its recent slow pace as an estimated 430 million shares changed hands, compared with 338 million shares Wednesday.

''There was some early bargain hunting which caused the market to rise slightly, but on the whole, it was a steady day,'' said Albert Leung of Chin Tung Investments.

''I expect the trading range for the Hang Seng Index will stay between the 2,900 and 3,000 level for a while,'' Leung said

In Bangkok, stock prices fell more than 5 percent on the Thailand Stock Exchange for the fourth consecutive session amid fears of further increases in world and local petroleum prices.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index, which eased 1.30 points Wednesday, plunged 39.28 points or 5.73 percent to 647.35.

Volume amounted to around 1.4 billion shares, compared with 1.5 billion shares changing hands Wednesday.

''Stocks fell on the news that the Thailand government is going to increase the price for oil for a second time,'' explained Phanvit Patanasiri of Phatra Thanakit Co., Ltd.

''The news caused investors to sell stocks from the opening bell until the market closed,'' Patanasiri said.

The Thai government controls domestic oil prices, but it has been forced to raise prices in response to world market prices.

In Singapore, stocks eased lower in quiet trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 6.53 points Wednesday, lost another 6.20 points to 1,166.28. The broader-based All Singapore Index fell 1.54 points to 335.73.

Volume amounted to 33.2 million shares, compared with 31.2 million shares on Wednesday.

Analysts said investors were ''sitting on the fence taking a wait- and-see attitude'' because of uncertainty in the Gulf and the weak performances in overseas markets.

On the trading floor, Magnum Corp. paced the advancing issues followed by Singapore Land and Kings Hotel.

Lion Corp. led the declining issues followed by UMW Holdings and Far East Shipping.

In Australia, stocks continued to slide in light trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which tumbled 20.6 points on Wednesday, eased 5.2 points to 1,446.4.

Volume remained sluggish as an estimated 67.4 million shares changed hands

compared with 78.5 million shares Wednesday.

Declines outpaced advances 169 to 80, while 236 stocks remained unchanged.

Analysts said selloffs in the Adsteam Group and the banks paced the market lower.

Adsteam slumped 45 cents to $1.83 - its lowest level in seven years - despite a statement from the group it knew of no reason for the decline.

Analysts said the slide reflected a lack of confidence in the group's ability to cope with an estimated $7 billion in debts.

Elsewhere, Adsteam's associated companies were also active. David Jones lost 60 cents to $3.90, Petersville Sleigh eased 5 cents to $1.85 and National Consolidated slipped 15 cents to $1.65.

Adsteam's brewing arm, Tooths, held steady at $8.00.

Banks fell following claims by Federal Treasurer Paul Keating the National Bank's savings branch was in trouble in 1986 and needed government assistance to bail it out.

NAB Bank fell 12 cents to $6.18 on the news while ANZ Bank eased 12 cents to $4.20.

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JACKSON, MS (SEPT. 20) UPI - Spiraling gasoline prices triggered by the Middle East crisis are playing havoc with transportation budgets in Mississippi's 151 public school districts.

''We are at a crisis stage like we have never been before with our transportation budgets,'' said Andy Mullins, special assistant to the state Superintendent of Education.

School buses statewide guzzle 44,000 gallons of gasoline daily and districts feel the bite each time Persian Gulf tensions aggravate prices at the pump, Mullins said Thursday.

With a 16-cents-a-gallon jump since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, Mullins said districts are paying $9,000 more daily and $45,000 more weekly then budgets approved last summer.

''Superintendents are having to absorb these increases into budgets that could not forsee such huge increases,'' Mullins said. ''They are simply running out of money.''

The 1990 Legislature slashed $6 millon from the state Department of Education's transporttion budget, leaving about $36 million. Mullins said that cut cannot be restored until the Legislature meets in January unless Gov. Ray Mabus calls a special session, which seems unlikely.

Mullins said on average, the bulk contract price for regular gasoline was 80 cents a gallon during the summer when district budgets were completed. That changed quickly after President Bush sent U.S. troops to the Middle East.

Now, the price is an average $1.16 per gallon statewide, according to the state Department of Education.

Compounding the problems is the uncertainty about the crisis.

Mullins said gasoline wholesalers refuse to guarantee prices of school contracts longer than a month. That means districts can't project how long their transportation budgets will hold out.

Schools opened in late August and early September and close in May and June.

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DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 20) UPI - Senior leaders of the African National Congress and the rival Zulu movement Inkatha held their first high-level meeting in more than a decade in a bid to end a protracted and bloody conflict it was announced Thursday.

A joint statement issued shortly after midnight, said the delegations had held ''exploratory'' talks on ''grave, vital and urgent matters'' and that they agreed to meet again on Sept. 26. Wednesday night's secret talks were held at an unidentified Durban hotel.

The meeting follows an intense flare-up in hostilities between the two movements in black townships surrounding Johannesburg that has left more than 750 people dead since early August and renewed calls for the two organizations to bury their differences.

Supporters of the ANC and Inkatha, ideologically at odds since the 1970s, have fought a long battle in the Indian Ocean province of Natal. More than 4,000 people have died in the province since 1987 but never before had it spread with such intensity to Johannesburg.

''Naturally, the issue of the violence in Natal and elsewhere in the country was top on the agenda and reports of the various local initiatives to diffuse it came under the spotlight,'' the joint statement said.

The seven-member delegation of the Inkatha Freedom Party was led by Steven Sithebe, a minister in the self-governing territory of KwaZulu, and the ANC delegation by intelligence head Jacob Zuma.

The meeting follows several local initiatives in Natal to end the killing, including on Sept. 1, a local pact known as the Lower Umfolozi Peace Accord covering an area of Zululand around Empangeni, some 100 miles north of Durban.

In those talks, Zuma and Sithebe also headed their respective delegations.

That accord, signed not only by the ANC and Inkatha, but the ANC- linked Congress of South African Trade Unions, local community leaders, the police and the South African Defense Forces appears to be holding.

Over last weekend, Zuma and Sithebe also headed delegations to peace talks for an area outside Durban, Ndwedwe, where hundreds of people have died in the internecine strife. An agenda for peace in the area includes joint rallies by the two movements.

The ANC delegation to Wednesday's talks included members of a subcommittee of the ANC's policy-making National Executive Committee, which met in Johannesburg for a third day Thursday on the recent violence. The ANC delegates flew to Durban from Johannesburg late Wednesday afternoon to attend the session with Inkatha.

The talks were regarded as the highest-level negotiations since 1979, when an Inkatha delegation led by its chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi met an ANC team in London led by ANC President Oliver Tambo.

Since the eruption of violence around Johannesburg, the ANC has resisted Buthelezi's demands for direct talks with ANC leader Nelson Mandela and accused the Inkatha movement of fomenting the violence in a bid to increase its political leverage in looming power-sharing talks with the minority white government.

ANC officials have insisted that peace formulas be in place at local level before any meeting takes place between Buthelezi and Mandela.

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (SEPT. 20) UPI - A powerful new ''one-stop shop'' for approving all large mergers in the European Community opens its doors Friday, 16 years after a new EC merger policy was first proposed.

A 46-member Merger Task Force has sole jurisdiction to approve or disapprove most mergers involving companies trading a combined $6.5 billion within the 12-nation EC.

Smaller mergers will be handled only by national competition authorities.

''There is now a clear division of responsibility for assessing mergers,'' said Sir Leon Brittan, the EC competition commissioner. ''Business will no longer face the multiple jeopardy of seeking clearance both from Brussels and from national capitals.''

EC member states have bickered for years over the scope of the new regulations which were first proposed by the EC executive Commission in 1974.

About 50 mergers a year are expected to be reviewed by the task force.

Non-EC companies are subject to the regulation if they are merging with EC firms at or above the $6.5 billion threshold of business within the EC.

All companies seeking to merge must notify the task force and fill in a detailed questionnaire regarding their current and planned activities. Failure to notify carries huge fines.

The task force must decide within a month whether the merger may present competition problems, and if so, it has an additional four months to approve the deal, veto it or approve it with modifications. The formal decision rests with the 17 EC commissioners.

Officials say the deadlines imposed by the regulation are demanding.

''We're starting at cruising speed. There is no time for phase-in,'' said Klaus Dieter Ehlermann, head of the EC competition agency. The task force has been practicing on test cases, and a 24-hour telephone hotline was installed in advance to answer questions from companies.

Existing EC regulations prohibit firms from establishing a ''dominant position'' within the Community, but those rules did not allow the EC executive Commission to step in before a merger was completed.

''The previous regulations were very unsatisfactory because it only allowed the Commission to intervene after the fact, after the concentration, and only after one firm had attained a dominant position, '' Ehlermann said.

Even if the $6.5 billion threshold is reached, the new regulation will apply only if at least two of the merging firms trade at least $325 million within the EC. Also, the regulation will not apply to mergers in which more than two-thirds of the combined revenue comes from a single EC nation.

The Commission feels the $6.5 billion threshold is far too high, and will lobby to lower the level in the next few years.

The new regulation was approved last Dec. 21 by the EC Council of Ministers, the decision-making body.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled 382,000 for the week ending Sept. 8, unchanged from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Three Arab leaders met Thursday to discuss a Persian Gulf peace plan that reportedly would leave Kuwait's ruling family out in the cold and the Olympic Council of Asia, whose president was killed in the invasion of Kuwait, voted overwhelmingly to expel Iraq from the Asian Games.

Iraq's deputy prime minister meanwhile said President Saddam Hussein wants an opportunity to address Americans on U.S. television, in return for President Bush's eight-minute speech played on Iraqi television last weekend.

King Hussein of Jordan, King Hassan of Morocco and Algerian President Chedli Benjidid were expected to discuss the Arab peace initiative at a three-day mini-summit in Rabat, the Moroccan capital.

The proposal calls for the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the establishment by the Kuwaiti people of a government that does not include the ruling al-Sabah family, sources and Arab news reports said.

The six-point plan also calls for Iraqi annexation of two strategic islands in the Persian Gulf that are considered part of Kuwait, which Iraq invaded Aug. 2. Iraq would retain the right to use Kuwaiti territorial waters.

The Jordanian newspaper al-Destour said nine Arab countries had already approved the peace initiative, but the report could not be verified.

Sources said King Hussein discussed the plan earlier in the week during a meeting with Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat, who had just returned from talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Arafat said after his meeting with Saddam he was confident a peaceful solution could be worked out and the Iraqi president was willing to consider an Arab initiative, although Arafat did not give any details of the plan.

Al-Destour and Arab sources in the region said the plan calls for a complete withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait at the same time Western forces withdraw from the gulf.

Members of the Kuwaiti government-in-exile dismissed the plan Wednesday. It was not immediately known how the United States and other powers would respond to the initiative.

In Beijing, the Olympic Council of Asia voted 27-3 to expel Iraq from the Asian Games, which open Saturday in Beijing, for its invasion of Kuwait, delegates said. The move to expel Iraq was prompted by threats from other Arab nations to boycott the quadrennial sports festival unless Iraq was barred.

The president of the OCA, Fahad al Ahmad al Sabah of Kuwait, a member of the ruling family, was slain during the Iraqi invasion.

It was not clear whether Iraqi sports officials and athletes would leave China immediately.

''It's up to them whether they stay or leave now,'' said Umral Singh, the delegate from India.

In other developments:

-Iraq's deputy prime minister, Saadoun Hamadi, said in an interview with Cable News Network that Saddam wants to speak on U.S. television, in return for Bush's taped address to the Iraqi people broadcast on Iraqi TV last weekend.

''I think the president will try to explain in quiet language, in a simple language, he will explain our position,'' Hamadi said.

Bush's address, emphasizing the united international condemnation of the Kuwait invasion, was taped in response to frequent messages from Saddam that have been read by a spokesman on Iraqi television and replayed in whole or in part on U.S. television news. Bush told Iraqis the United States has no quarrel with them, but was determined that Saddam's invasion of Kuwait should not stand.

-Iraq announced Wednesday it passed a law allowing it to seize assets of governments and companies that have frozen Iraqi assets abroad and declared that it was no longer responsible for the safety of foreign property in occupied Kuwait and Iraq.

-The U.N. Security Council prepared to discuss an air embargo against Iraq to tighten enforcement of economic sanctions imposed after the invasion of Kuwait. Yuliy Vorontsov of the Soviet Union, president of the Security Council this month, said the council would take up the issue of a possible air embargo Friday. Nine Western European nations have called for the air embargo to prevent supplies reaching Baghdad by air in violation of the U.N. embargo.

-France said Wednesday two more French civilians were captured in Kuwait this week and taken to unknown destinations. Saddam has been holding foreign men at

vital installations against a possible attack by the U.S.-led multinational force in the Persian Gulf area.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - The Philippine government hopes to set the framework for new relations with United States at the second round of U-S basing rights talks. U-S and Philippine negotiators in Manila are working on a treaty for U-S bases in the island nation.

The worst storm to hit Japan in decades has left 29 people dead, 10 others missing and thousands homeless. Typhoon Flo injured 84 people during its three-day battering of Japan and dumped two feet of rain in some places. .

Chilly weather and rain gave way to clear skies early today in parts of the Northeast. Temperatures in the mid-60s and mid-70s were expected today in southern New York, around Boston, and in Pennsylvania.

The global impact of higher oil prices will be the focus of a meeting of the seven largest industrialized nations this weekend in Washington. Analysts expect little change in Group of Seven policy to counter inflationary pressures.

The U-S Conference of Mayors says about six percent of the federalgovernment's anti-drug money has filtered down into the nation's cities. The group says cities in about 20 states have yet to see any federal money to fight drugs.

A Christian Broadcasting Network worker admits disliking racy movies but denies transmiting religious messages to pre-empt them in 1987. A Norfolk, Virginia, jury may begin deliberations tomorrow in the satellite priracy case.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold & silver prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close	386.75	off 1.25
Morning fixing	386.00	off 0.75
Hong Kong	385.45	off 0.50
New York		
Comex spot gold open	386.70	up 0.70
Comex spot silver open	4.771	up 0.002

(London morning fixing change is based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 19: Purchases of 381,235 shares and sales of 591,785 shares including 107,401 shares sold short.

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#90263u0585 09/20/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - With the ink barely dry on a $65 million bank bailout for his real estate and casino empire, developer Donald Trump has asked his bankers for a delay in loan payments due on the Trump Shuttle airline, the Wall Street Journal reported Thursday.

Trump met Wednesday with officials from Citibank, a unit of Citicorp, which issued the shuttle loan, to ask the bank to restructure $245 million in debt payments still due. He said soaring fuel costs and a soft Northeast economy have made the airline unprofitable, the Journal reported.

The next payment on the shuttle - about $1.1 million - is due in three weeks.

Citibank Thursday night was to contact about 20 banks that purchased pieces of the shuttle loan to urge them to allow Trump to defer interest and principal payments, a Citibank executive told the newspaper.

''This isn't about being mad at Donald,'' the Journal quoted a Citibank representative as saying. ''We have to look at this and analyze it in an unemotional manner.''

If the banks do not agree with Trump's request for a deferral of interest, Trump could lose control of the shuttle, which he bought in 1989 while assuming $380 million in debt.

But, the Journal said, a default on the shuttle would not necessarily trigger a default of the entire bailout agreement reached in August that allows Trump to defer interest on almost $1 billion of his $2 billion in bank debt. The August agreement does not cover $1.2 billion of casino bonds that will most likely be restructured in the coming months.

Under the bank deal last month, Trump agreed to continue payments on $245 million in debt issued by Citibank. An additional $35 million unsecured loan from Citibank and participants already has been deferred under the deal.

Trump probably will be able to meet the forthcoming $1.1 million payment on the shuttle, but is not expected to be able to keep up with the payments due in the next 12 months, said Stephen Bollenbach, chief financial officer of the

Trump Organization. Those payments are expected to total about $30 million.

''We don't owe a huge amount right now but we need to maintain our ability to run the company,'' Bollenbach told the Journal.

Bollenbach and Trump Shuttle President Richard Cozzi joined Trump at the Thursday meeting with Citibank, the newspaper said.

Last month's shuttle ridership was off 16 percent from August 1989, a Citibank representative said. In recent weeks, fuel costs have risen to 95 cents a gallon. Trump officials are said to believe that matters will not improve in the next few months.

Convincing the banks to give Trump more time may be difficult. Many of the banks were reluctant to join the August bailout and did so only after Trump executives assured them their payments would continue.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 20) UPI - The Philippines proposed Thursday to take control ''as soon as possible'' of the U.S. Clark Air Base upon the termination of American basing rights unless a new agreement is reached, a spokesman said.

Philippine spokesman Rafael Alunan said at a briefing for reporters after the third day of talks on the future of U.S. military bases in the country that the United States would convene a group of experts ''to help determine the orderly transition of the facilities.''

''The Philippines took the position that it shall assume sovereign control of Clark as soon as possible,'' Alunan said. He said this means ''complete shutdown of U.S. operations at the base'' after expiration of the 1947 bases treaty in September 1991.

Asked to elaborate on the time frame, Alunan said, ''The constitution is our guide.'' He said it bans the presence of foreign bases or troops in the Philippines at the expiration of the U.S. lease in the absence of a new treaty.

Alunan said the fate of the other facilities will be discussed before the second round of talks ends, possibly on Friday or Saturday. But he said if there is no agreement, ''everything reverts back to the Philippines.''

The Philippines hosts, in addition to Clark, the sprawling Subic Bay Naval Base and four smaller facilities.

Clark is the home of the 13th Air Force and is manned by 9,200 troops. Subic, with 6,200 servicemen, is a repair yard and logistics center for the Seventh

Fleet. The two facilities are the oldest and largest outside continental United States.

Alunan said the Philippines planned to turn Clark into a civil aviation complex under plans drawn up by an executive-legislative council.

Before the talks began, Philippine officials leaked to reporters a working paper under which Manila would take over Clark at the expiration of the bases pact, while allowing Washington use of Subic during a transition period until 1994.

The council's plans call for the conversion of Subic into a commercial shipyard.

President Corazon Aquino said Monday she expected an ''orderly withdrawal'' of U.S. forces in the Philippines at the termination of the bases pact and hoped the current talks would establish the basis for a new relationship that encompased military ties.

Special U.S. Negotiator Richard Armitage said Tuesday the United States was prepared to scale down U.S. presence. He indicated a 10-year period to do this.

U.S. Spokesman Stanley Schrager said the American panel during its presentation Thursday stressed the new relationship with the Philippines would only succeed if it would enhance regional stability and was flexible enough to meet security needs of Manila and Washington.

''After the termination of the period of the accord, we would hope that the relationship would continue with appropriate U.S. access to and use of the Philippine facilities, together with a U.S. military presence which both countries would judge appropriate to meet our needs,'' Schrager said.

Alunan said earlier he expected the current talks to provide a framework for a new arrangement. He said at the close of the current talks, the two panels would consult with their principals before resuming another session.

In an interview with the U.S. military television Far East Network, Armitage said the Philippine bases remained an important factor for stability in the region.

''Unfortunately, as the world situation regarding the superpowers gets better, regional actors tend to come to the floor (with) designs to upset peace and stability,'' he said in the interview broadcast Thursday evening.

''It is our belief unfortunately that there will be situations in the Pacific that require a continued presence of the United States and in that regard, the Philippines is an ideal location,'' Armitage said.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	80	57	....
Anchorage r	57	48	.31
Asheville pc	81	62	....
Atlanta cy	87	69	....
Baltimore pc	75	53	.01
Billings cy	62	40	.01
Birmingham pc	90	70	....
Bismarck r	65	44	.01
Boston pc	68	51	.20
Brownsville pc	92	77	.49
Buffalo sy	65	49	.16
Burlington Vt. cy	58	43	.27
Charleston S.C. pc	89	72	....
Charlotte pc	85	65	....
Chicago pc	72	58	....
Cincinnati pc	73	60	.02
Cleveland pc	68	52	.07
Columbus Ohio pc	71	54	.19
Dallas ts	86	73	....
Denver pc	74	44	....
Des Moines sh	71	57	....
Detroit sy	72	54	.18
Duluth cy	63	47	....
El Paso pc	89	61	.05
Evansville cy	78	63	....
Fargo r	67	46	....
Hartford pc	68	43	.14
Honolulu pc	90	77	....
Houston cy	93	76	.01
Indianapolis pc	73	61	....
Jackson Miss. pc	92	72	....
Jacksonville sy	91	70	....
Kansas City ts	75	63	....
Las Vegas pc	88	65	....
Little Rock sh	88	74	.56
Los Angeles cy	74	65	....
Louisville pc	78	64	....
Memphis ts	88	72	1.35
Miami Beach pc	90	78	....
Milwaukee pc	69	53	....
Minneapolis cy	69	53	....
Nashville cy	86	68	.04

New Orleans pc	92	73	....
New York pc	72	54	.30
Oklahoma City ts	86	70	.61
Omaha cy	74	53	.01
Orlando pc	92	75	....
Philadelphia pc	73	50	.07
Phoenix pc	92	73	.28
Pittsburgh pc	70	50	.25
Portland Me. cy	64	43	.43
Portland Ore. sy	81	52	....
Providence pc	70	46	.14
Richmond pc	82	56	.01
St. Louis ts	77	66	....
Salt Lake City cy	72	50	.01
San Antonio ts	89	75	.21
San Diego cy	72	65	....
San Francisco sy	80	59	....
San Juan pc	90	77	.25
Seattle sy	74	51	....
Spokane sy	77	41	....
Tampa pc	91	75	....
Washington pc	77	59	.01
Wichita ts	82	64	.04

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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BEIJING (SEPT. 20) UPI - The Olympic Council of Asia, facing threats of an Arab boycott of the Beijing Asian Games, voted overwhelmingly Thursday night to bar Iraq from the Games and expel it from the council over the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, officials said.

The chief Iraqi delegate angrily denounced the vote as fixed, but said his nation saw no point in appealing.

''This was a victory for everything illegal,'' said the Iraqi chief delegate, Abdul Karim al-Mulla, after the vote. ''This is our great sorrow.''

The vote was the latest show of international outrage against Baghdad over the Aug. 2 invasion, in which OCA President Fahad al Ahmad al Sabah, a member of the Kuwaiti royal family, was killed by Iraqi troops as they stormed into the oil-rich emirate.

The move, two days before the Games open Saturday, also dashed the hopes of host China for a Games free of political disputes. The quadrennial Asian Games staged between Olympics will last for two weeks.

The possible presence of the Iraqis has all but overshadowed the Chinese government's euphoric propaganda on the Games, the first major international sports event hosted by communist China.

Wu Zhongyuan, spokesman for the Beijing Asian Games Organizing Committee, announced the OCA vote overwhelmingly for the proposal to bar Iraq from the Games and expel it from OCA following the council meeting at the downtown Beijing Hotel.

He said the vote was 27-3, with five abstentions and one invalid vote. The OCA has 38 member nations and territories, and two nations were not present.

''The organizing committee will abide by the decision,'' Wu said.

Some Arab nations had indicated they would consider a boycott unless Iraq was expelled from the Games. The possible Iraqi presence had also concerned security officials if the Iraqi team was billetted in the Asian Games village as neighbors to hostile nations.

Al-Mulla acknowledged the Iraqi soccer team had already arrived in China. Its fate was unclear, but he said there was no plan to appeal the decision and the Iraqi official delegation would leave for home. Most of the Iraqi athletes were believed still in Baghdad awaiting the decision.

''We are really worried about the spirit of sports in Asia,'' al- Mulla said. ''There should be friendship. Here there is no friendship.''

Al-Mulla charged the vote had been somehow rigged, claiming the secret ballots were large enough to be read ''100 meters away'' and claiming other technical problems that hurt Iraq. But he did not discuss the overwhelming size of the vote.

In Baghdad, the Iraqi News Agency said, ''The Iraqi National Olympic Committee

has strongly denounced measures and behaviors adopted by some gulf countries and the Asian Olympic Council with a view to banning Iraq ...''

It said the Iraq's Olympic committee linked ''these bizarre measures and behaviors'' with ''suspicious policies,'' and said the moves ''were at variance''with the Asian Olympic Council's principles ''away from all political trends.''

Iraq's expulsion was clearly the less difficult route out of the dilemma for the Chinese government, which indicated during the past week it would abide by the OCA majority decision to avoid a more embarrassing boycott.

But the move could also heighten security fears of terrorism against the Games as a means to avenge Iraq. Security around the Kuwaiti and Saudi Arabian delegations in Beijing has been extremely tight, with police virtually sealing off the hotel where senior Kuwaiti officials are staying.

The Kuwaiti delegation is headed by Sheikh Ahmad Fahad al Sabah, the son of the late OCA president who has succeeded his father as head of Kuwait's National Olympic Committee. Kuwait had planned on a 330-member delegation, but entered just 43 athletes this week in the Games who had been training in Europe when the invasion occurred.

Earlier in the day, Chinese Premier Li Peng met with visiting Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal and told the Saudi that the world community should take steps ''to avoid further worsening of the gulf crisis which might lead to a war,'' the official Xinhua new agency reported.

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BONN, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 20) UPI - The West German government Thursday assured its neighbors and allies that a unified Germany will never repeat the atrocities of Nazism and that unification will be ''an investment'' in a European future.

Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher made the remarks in a statement to parliament at the beginning of a session to debate a bilateral unification treaty signed by the two German governments on Aug. 31.

Both German parliaments were expected to ratify the document later Thursday.

''On Oct. 3, the German people will again live in a democratic state - for the first time after 57 years,'' Genscher said. ''Our contribution for one Europe is also an investment in our European future.''

He said Germany had lost its liberty on Jan. 30, 1933, the day Adolf Hitler became chancellor of Germany, and lapsed into a period of fascism and war

before the country was devided after World War II.

''Many Germans lost their lives, their health, all their belongings and their homeland. And all of us lost the respect and friendship of the other peoples '' Genscher said.

In a reference to the 6 million Jews killed in Nazi death camps, Genscher said ''we are uniting in the determination that this may never happen again...''

He reiterated the German borders are final and will not be changed, a reference to Polish fears a united Germany will want back former German territories which became part of Poland after World War II.

''The world looks upon Germany and the world should know: We know our responsibility and we will fulfill it,'' he added.

The bilateral unification treaty sets down the legal and financial aspects of the merger, which entails the absorbtion of East Germany in West Germany's Federal Republic - ending the 41-year existance of the German Democratic Republic, East Germany.

The treaty was signed after almost two months of tough negotiations between the two German governments and within each of the two parliaments.

Several compromises had to be reached to prevent a collapse of the talks. Abortion laws proved to be one of the toughest issues, but negotiators eventually agreed on interim legislation, under which abortion will remain legal in East Germany and illegal in West Germany.

A last-minute snag cropped up this week when East German parliamentarians demanded they be given to right to look into the 6 million secret files of the former East German State Security police, know as Stasi.

The two governments agreed Tuesday to an additional clause in the unification treaty which allows individuals to see the data the Stasi compiled about them.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - The rising cost of jet fuel and a softening demand for air travel are taking their toll on the Pan Am Corporation. The airline says it will trim its work force by 25-hundred next month and reduce capacity in an effort to cut costs. Company officials say the jobs will be reduced through layoffs, attrition and voluntary leaves of absence.

Economic officials of the seven largest industrialized nations meet Saturday in Washington, and rising oil prices will top the agenda. Analysts say the world-wide inflationary impact of the price hikes also will be discussed. The

so-called G-7 nations are the United States, Japan, West Germany, France, Italy, Great Britain and Canada.

In Japan, the death toll from Typhoon Flo now stands at 29, with 10 others missing and thousands homeless. The typhoon, the most powerful to hit Japan in decades, injured 84 people during three days of heavy rains. Forecasters say it's now churning north into open waters of the Pacific.

In the United States, skies cleared in the Northeast after a day of chilly rains yesterday. Thunderstorms swept across the southern Great Plains, including central and southeast Kansas. Cool weather covered the northern half of the country, with near-freezing temperatures in Glacier National Park in northwest Montana.

Swordfish is becoming more popular as a seafood, and that's bad news for the species. Fishery experts told Congress yesterday that growing demand for swordfish is decimating the species and it's ''clearly overfished.'' William Fox of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration says the situation has become ''significantly worse'' in the past five years.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - American Telephone & Telegraph Co. Thursday repurchased N.V. Philips' 15 percent stake in AT&T Network Systems International B.V.

With the transaction, whose value was not disclosed, AT&T owns 74 percent of AT&T-NSI. STET, Italy's telecommunications holding company, retains a 20 percent stake, and Spain's Telefonica de Espana has agreed to acquire the remaining 6 percent.

AT&T-NSI, headquartered in the Dutch city of Hilversum, was formed as a joint venture between the U.S. telecommunications giant and the leading European electronics company.

Philips this year launched its own telecommunications division, including high-technology services already provided by AT&T, such as ISDN or integrated services digital network, video conferencing and private systems.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $387.40, silver base of $4.79 and platinum price of $457.40:

	Thursday	Wednesday

U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$403.30	402.10
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	206.90	206.30
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	106.20	105.90
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.90	43.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	403.30	402.10
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	206.90	206.30
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.70	106.40
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.90	43.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	409.90	408.60
China Panda .50 troy oz.	211.10	210.50
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.50	109.20
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.30	47.10
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.20	28.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	403.40	402.20
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	206.20	205.50
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	104.10	103.80
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.80	44.70
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	401.90	400.10
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	208.00	207.40
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.70	106.40
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	45.30
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	401.80	400.60
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	206.60	206.00
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.60	87.30
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.90	45.70
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.30	23.30
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.20	$6.21
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,460	$3,470
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,500	$1,500
Platinum		
Australian Koala	480.00	481.00
Isle of Man Noble	469.00	470.00
Canada Maple Leaf	480.00	481.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90263u0722 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 20) UPI - By day the Kuwaiti refugees listen to the Voice of America on shortwave radios and hover near telephones that never ring.

At night, the women put on their makeup and fashionable dresses, draping sheer veils over their coiffed hair while the men slip packets of Marlboro cigarettes in the pockets of their pleated trousers.

They gather at the posh Shepheards hotel along the Nile, their taxis and Merecedes blocking traffic until the early hours of the morning along the Corniche.

And it is here in the jammed lobby, with its white marble floor and brass chandelier and smoked glass walls, that 22-year-old Hana Khamis mulls over her plan.

She will go to Saudi Arabia, she says, and work her way through the thousands of foreign troops to the Kuwaiti border.

She will put on a dishdasha, the simple white robe worn by Kuwaiti men, tie her long black hair back with a band and cover it with a man's kiffeyah.

And then, she says, she will drive a rental car through thousands of armed Iraqi soldiers and tanks to Kuwait city to bring word to her father that she and her mother, her two brothers and three sisters are well in Cairo, and waiting anxiously to see him again.

''I think it can be done,'' says the petite university student, looking smart in her boxy, black silk suit with white piping on the sleeves.

''But my mother,'' she pauses in her agitation. ''She says it makes her very afraid. She does not want me to go. But, I want to go. I want to very much. I think I can do it. But my mother, she says no.''

Hamis is like the other Kuwaitis caught in Cairo.

They were in Egypt on summer holiday, seeing family they had not seen in ages, visiting the Pyramids and Luxor and dining at night at the landmark Shepheards or the Swiss Air restaurant where reservations, jacket and tie are strictly required.

Other family members were supposed to join them. They were supposed to go home in time to get ready for school. They had planned to go on to Europe or the United States for an extended holiday.

But on Aug. 2, Iraq invaded the tiny oil-rich emirate and they were stuck in Cairo, without word from home, without knowing what became of their families, friends, houses and pets.

So at night they gather at Shepheards to shares bits of news and rumors and, best of all, the few letters smuggled out from family members still trapped inside the emirate.

The women sit on low divans under the grand curved lobby staircase, eating pistachio nuts and talking among themselves for hour after hour. The men are at the bar and lounge, drinking glass after glass of strong tea sweetened with spoonfulls of sugar. The children are everywhere, playing a slippery game of tag on the polished marble floor.

But it is the young men who dominate Shepheards, congregating in the lobby and on the hotel's front steps. They perch along a retaining wall along the street, smoking pack after pack of cigarettes, dangling feet shod in leather loafers.

When a blonde foreign woman walks by they make a half-hearted attempt to call to her. But, their minds are on other things.

They are thinking about guns.

They are students who know of European capitals and electronics and music. But now they are learning what they can of assault rifles. They examine coveteously the weapons of the Egyptian tourist police. They discuss ways of making bombs out of petrol and cola bottles.

Ahmed al-Ali, 23, got a letter from his brother, smuggled out by friends who made a dash for the border.

''He says, every night they go fishing,'' says al-Alim of the discretely worded letter, unsigned just in case it got in the wrong hands.

''Do you know what this means, fishing?'' he asks.

Fishing means every night they take guns given to them by the Kuwaiti resistance movement and go out looking for Iraqi soldiers to shoot. But now the Iraqis are cracking down on the resistance, raiding their buildings and arresting young men. That is what the newly arrived refugees are saying.

''This letter was written a long time ago, now,'' says al-Ali. He wonders if his brother is still fishing, if he is safe.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Iraqi athletes were booted from the Asian Games in Beijing today in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last month. Delegates from the Olympic Council of Asian told reporters the vote was 27-3 to expel Iraq, with five abstentions. The Asian Games are scheduled to begin Saturday in China. .

The leaders of Jordan, Morocco and Algeria are holding a three-day summit to discuss an Arab peace initiative that calls for the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait. Sources familiar with the plan say it would establish a Kuwaiti government that does NOT include the ruling al-Sabah family. Sources indicate Jordan's King Hussein discussed the plan this week with P-L-O chief Yasser Arafat , who just finished talks with Iraq's Saddam Hussein.

Talks on the future of American bases in the Philippine are being held amid a bomb threat issued by communist rebels opposed to the U-S military presence. The Philippines hosts Clark Air Base, Subic Bay naval station and four smaller U-S facilities. In Washington, State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler says the bomb threat by the New People's Army was directed at U-S government or public facilities.

Secret high-level talks between the African National Congress and the rival Zulu Inkatha movement were held overnight in Durban, South Africa. In a joint statement the rival groups indicated the ''exploratory'' talks focused on ''grave, vital and urgent matters'' in an bid to end the township violence that has killed 750 people since early August. More talks are scheduled for next week.

Military officials say an Air Force pilot was killed last night when his F-16 jet crashed in a remote area of South Carolina near the Georgia border. Officials at Moody Air Force Base say the jet was on a training mission when the crash occurred in a wooded area near the Savannah River in Hampton County. An Air Force panel is trying to determine the cause of the crash.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - An Indiana Air National Guard FE fighter jet crashed yesterday during a routine training mission 140 miles east of Reno, Nevada. Both crewmembers were killed. A National Guard spokesman says the crew was part of the 181st Tactical Fighter Group at Terre Haute, Indiana. He says the jet was practicing low level combat maneuvers when it went down. The names of the crew are being withheld pending notification of relatives.

News reports say about 200 Nigerian children died last month from tainted doses of an analgesic used to treat fever. The B-B-C says Nigerian officials banned sales of paracetamol syrup until the source of the contamination is found. Officials say the children, mostly ages six months to six years, were given the medicine at three government-run hospitals. An initial report blames a falsely labeled poisonous chemical that caused kidney failure.

Miami forecasters say the 11th tropical depression of the Atlantic- Caribbean hurricane season traveled west today with little change in strength. At last report, the depression, with top winds of nearly 35-miles an hour, was

centered about 700 miles east of the Lesser Antilles. Forecasters expect the storm system to gradually turn to the Northwest.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

SALES
Net Income (per share)
Latest Period Year Earlier

Bonneville Pacific (1st Q 7-31)
$28,909,000 $9,954,000
d-$1,105,000 d-$1,306,000
d-Deficit.

Circle K Corp (1st Q 7-31)
$969,800,000 $1,018,923,000
d-$10,781,000 $7,608,000 (.13)
d-Deficit, after $4,044,000 charge for reorganization expenses.

Clean Harbors (2nd Q 8-31)
$40,585,000 $35,123,000
$1,427,000 (.16) $1,327,000 (.15)

Heilig-Meyers Co (2nd Q 8-31)
$108,979,000 $90,154,000
$4,852,000 (.46) $3,811,000 (.36)

Howell Indus (4th Q 7-31)
$11,992,000 $15,782,000
$1,015,000 (1.13) $577,000 (.64)

Jaclyn Inc (Year 6-30)
$76,709,000 $67,694,000
$2,420,000 (.87) a-$1,825,000 (.65)
a-Restated to reflect the 4 percent stock dividend paid in June 1990.

Morgan's Foods (2nd Q 8-14)
$11,757,000 $11,918,000
a-$202,000 (.01) $172,000 (.01)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Natl Semiconductor (1st Q 8-26)
$442,700,000 $397,600,000
ad-$165,500,000 bd-$21,900,000

ad-Deficit, after pre-tax restructuring charge of $143,600,000.
bd-Deficit, includes $1,000,000 gain on the sale of discontinued operations.

Oil-Dri Corp Amer (4th Q 7-31)
$23,570,000 $20,759,000
$1,775,000 (.25) $1,240,000 (.18)

Sanford Corp (3rd Q 8-31)
$38,467,000 $36,043,000
$6,998,000 (.47) $5,995,000 (.40)

3Com Corp)1st Q 8-31)
$106,244,000 $89,113,000
$4,957,000 (.17) $1,228,000 (.04)

Transnational Indus (2nd Q 7-31)
$6,747,000 $8,000,000
d-$354,000 $106,000 (.02)
d-Deficit.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 90.00-91.75 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.40-2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 134.00-142.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.00-$459.00; dealer- approx., $459.00-$461.50 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 277.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (SEPT. 20) UPI - The U.S. defense budget passed by the House could take a heavy toll on submarine makers like Electric Boat, which employs 7,500 Rhode Islanders.

The House passed a $283 billion budget Wednesday calling for one SSN- 21 Seawolf attack submarine , as opposed to three requested by the Navy, and ends production of the Trident ballistic missile submarine once the 18th is built. Both vessels are built by Electric Boat.

The 18th Trident is to be purchased next year under the House bill. The Navy had hoped for more than 20 Tridents from Electric Boat before production ended.

Electric Boat, a division of General Dynamics based in Groton, Conn., builds its submarine hulls at Quonset Point in Rhode Island, where 4,300 people work. Electric Boat has been girding for defense cuts since the easing of tensions between the United States and the Soviet Union.

The company said last week it planned to lay off 1,000 workers workers by Christmas and warned that, as a ''worst case scenario,'' it may cut its 23,000-employee workforce in half by 1995.

The House defense budget is $24 billion less than what President Bush asked for in fiscal 1991, which begins Oct. 1. In addition to cutting submarine production, it would stop production of the B-2 bomber, slash funding for ''Star Wars,'' and kill plans to move MX missiles from silos to railroads.

The Senate has come up with a $289 billion defense spending plan that must be compromised with the House.

Rhode Island Reps. Claudine Schneider and Ronald Machtley, who is a member of the Armed Services Committee, voted with the majority when the House passed its defense budget 256-155.

Schneider said the spending plan reflects ''changing defense priorities'' and criticized the Senate budget as being ''mired in the past.''

''(The Senate) takes a business-as-usual attitude by authorizing two more B-2 bombers and higher levels of funding for (Strategic Defense Initiative). The Senate also overruled the Navy by providing funding for two Los Angeles class submarines, yet no funding for the SSN-21 Seawolf attack submarine, which is critical to our naval security and important to Rhode Island's economy,'' she said.

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GENEVA (SEPT. 20) UPI - The United States and other western countries Thursday again rejected arguments by China that it was making the necessary economic reforms to join the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

China applied for GATT membership in early 1989 but then reversed a political and economic reform movement which effectively put its request on hold.

At one of its infrequent meetings, a GATT working group on China heard new Chinese arguments Thursday, rejected them as insufficient and agreed to meet again only next spring.

Participants said the Chinese ambassador to the U.N. in Geneva, Fan Guoxiang, insisted that Beijing was moving towards reforms by ''opening to the outside'' and introducing ''equal competition between enterprises.''

That was rebuffed as ''too vague'' by delegates to GATT from the United States the European Community, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Sweden, the officials said.

The officials demanded specific details of reform intentions, saying China has yet to prove it is moving from a state-controlled to a market economy as required to join GATT, the world's free trade regulatory body.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 20) UPI - A tropical depression drifted westward across the Atlantic Ocean Thursday and forecasters predicted it would soon strengthen into Tropical Storm Josephine.

At 6 a.m. EDT, tropical depression No. 11 was centered near latitude 15.9 north, longitude 49.9 west, or a little over 700 miles east of the Lesser Antilles.

It was moving west at less than 5 mph and was expected to continue that motion Thursday, increasing its forward speed and gradually turning toward the northwest by Friday.

Its maximum sustained winds were near 35 mph and forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami said strengthening was likely during the next 12 to 24 hours.

If its circulating winds reach 39 mph, it would become Tropical Storm Josephine, the 10th named storm of the 1990 Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season.

Four storms - Bertha, Diana, Gustav and Isidore - have developed into hurricanes with winds of more than 74 mph so far this season. But none caused significant damage to land. The hurricane season runs June 1 to Nov. 30.

Forecasters also said an area of disturbed weather 625 miles southwest of the Cape Verde Islands had become better organized and could spawn a tropical depression in the next day or two.

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ORLANDO, FL (SEPT. 20) UPI - A computer programmer who gave birth to Florida's first set of quadruplets in four years was still in a surgical recovery room Thursday, but her babies were healthy and doing well, a hospital official said.

Lois Ross, 33, of Sanford, who already had four children, delivered four more - two boys and two girls - by Caesarean section Wednesday.

Her doctors had hoped to deliver them the first week of October, but Ross, who had been hospitalized since July, insisted that they be delivered on Thursday.

''Basically, it was her call. ... She had just taken it as far as she could, so with the pressure and problems breathing and not being able to eat, they went ahead and took them yesterday,'' said Joe Brown, spokesman for the Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children & Women.

The babies, a girl who weighed 2 pounds, 15 1/2 ounces; a boy who weighed 2 pounds, 13 ounces; a girl who weighed 2 pounds, 10 1/2 ounces, and a boy who weighed 2 pounds, 11 1/2 ounces, were delivered at 8:20 a.m. Wednesday, about eight weeks premature.

''They're all in the neo-natal intensive care unit now. They will probably remain in the unit another four to eight weeks depending on their weight gain and how they respond, assuming there are no complications, and so far there are none,'' Brown said.

Ross, however, was suffering with a fever and remained in an operation recovery room Thursday.

Ross and her stay-at-home husband, Dennis, 40, already had four young children Denny, an adopted 5-year-old, Paula, 4; Amy 2, and 9-month-old Jamie.

Brown said Lois Ross had been on a combination of fertility drugs because she had suffered miscarriages.

''She'd already had four children, and they thought, five won't make that much more, but boom, they get quads,'' Brown said.

Florida's last set of quadruplets was born in Tampa in 1986.

Only six or seven sets of quadruplets are born in the United States each year, Brown said.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Sources and Arab news reports say three leaders are meeting in Rabat today to discuss an Arab initiative for a Persian Gulf peace. They say the plan includes an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and establishment of a new government in the nation that does NOT include the ruling al-Sabah family. It also would provide for Iraqi annexation of two Kuwaiti islands in the Persian Gulf. King Hussein of Jordan is discussing the plan with the Moroccan and Algerian leaders.

Senior leaders of two rival black factions in South Africa held their first high-level meeting in more than a decade in a bid to end a bloody conflict. An intense flare-up in hostilities between the African National Congress and the rival Zulu movement Inkatha has left more than 750 people dead in black townships around Johannesburg since August. The two sides issued a joint statement following the secret talks, saying they agreed to meet again next Wednesday.

A Philippine spokesman says his nation hopes to work out what he termed a ''framework'' for a new relationship with the United States before closing the second round of talks on the future of U-S military bases. The talks in Manila have featured a U-S recognition that American forces will be withdrawn from the Philippines. Now, the State Department is warning Americans in the Philippines of a bomb threat by the communist New People's Army.

The U-S Customs Service says a man and woman from Hawaii are free on bond after being arrested for trying to sell warehouses full of U-S military equipment to undercover agents posing as arms dealers. The fighter jets, helicopters, tanks and bombs of all sizes apparently were left in Vietnam after the American withdrawal in 1975. The supplies reportedly are valued at about 500-Million dollars.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - The war of the states rages on and to the defeated go the spoils - America's garbage.

The battle between the states that transport their solid waste beyond their borders and the states where the garbage is dumped has been going on for many years, but it is getting fiercer.

And it will get worse as the amount of solid waste increases and the number of landfills where it can be buried shrinks.

People read three years ago about the barge Mobro that left Islip, N.Y., loaded with garbage and could not find a place to dock and shed its cargo.

And the ''Poo-Poo Choo-Choo,'' a 64-train-car load of sewage from Baltimore that last November tried to deliver its refuse in the Louisiana communities of Shriever, Labadieville and Donaldsonville.

But little is written about the trucks and trains that each day and night haul waste from one state to a dumping site in another state.

Americans produce between 160 million tons and 180 million tons of solid waste each year - enough to fill a convoy of trash trucks six times around Earth - and the Enviromental Protection Agency estimates will climb to 193 million tons by the end of the century.

At the same time, more and more of the older landfills, filled to the brim, are closed and intense local opposition blocks new landfills from opening.

''This leaves some communities with nowhere to dump their trash,'' said Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont. ''So, some community officials have decided the answer to their waste problems is to pass the trash.''

The states are now powerless to regulate the interstate shipment of garbage because the Supreme Court ruled in 1978 that transportation of solid waste among states comes under the commerce clause of the Constitution.

In the Senate this week, the garbage exporters and the garbage importers fought a skirmish.

On a 68-31 vote, the Senate approved legislation to allow states to ban solid waste dumping from other states or, as an alternative, charge the exporting states a higher fee for their waste than they charge home-state dumpers.

But the legislation was an amendment to the District of Columbia fiscal 1991 appropriations bill that President Bush is certain to veto because it would liberalize standards for abortion.

''The fight isn't over,'' said Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J. ''This is just the first round.''

The debate on the amendment degenerated into a ugly confrontation between its sponsor, Sen. Dan Coats, R-Ind., and the two New Jersey Democrats, Sens. Bradley and Frank Lautenberg, that masked the seriousness of the problem.

New Jersey, with 5.25 million tons, exports more garbage each year than any other state. Indiana, as well as Kentucky, has become a popular dumping ground.

Lautenberg, seeking to defeat the amendment, charged, ''For years, Indiana has been exporting garbage. We call it acid rain. But we did not build a wall around the Midwest.''

The New Jersey Democrats also railed at a political television ad Coats is running in his re-election campaign that portrays New Jersey as a ''fat slob with a cigar in his mouth ... this guy handing his garbage to some poor slob in Indiana.''

And Lautenberg even invoked the names of Angelo Bertelli, a legendary Notre Dame quarterback of the 1940s, and Kelly Tripucka, a Notre Dame basketball star who now plays with the Charlotte Hornets, as New Jersey athletes who starred and schooled in Indiana.

''We want New Jersey students,'' Coats said. ''We want New Jersey athletes. We want everything from New Jersey except your trash. We are happy to cooperate with other states in terms of who and what they send to us. We just don't want your garbage.''

Coats said the states need the power to regulate out-of-state garbage because the ''truckloads and trainloads of trash'' pouring into Indiana is rapidly using up landfills needed for the state's own refuse.

Coats said Indiana is willing to negotiate with other states, adding what Indiana does not want is for a state to say, ''We do not want to work out something with you. We are going to ship it to you whether you want it or not."

''Our enviromental plans are rendered useless. Our communities fester in resentment. Our landfills are glutted with the trash of the irresposible,''

Coats said.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 20) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Thursday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery higher; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 78-81; large 74-80; medium 57-63.

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OMAHA (SEPT. 20) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves 50; insufficient for test.

Hogs 1,600; butchers active, 1.00 higher; No 1-3 220-270 lb 56.50- 57.00, 230-260 lb mostly 57.00, No 2-3 270-290 lb 55.50-56.50; sows under 500 lb firm over 500 lb 2.00-3.00 lower; No 1-3 350-500 lb mostly 47.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb mainly 49.50.

Sheep None.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - Higher.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 87-89; large 84- 87 and mediums 65-68.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 20) UPI - The International Olympic Committe Thursday defended charges it caved in to commercial interests by awarding the 1996 Summer Games

to Atlanta.

''The choice for Atlanta was made after many hours of study,'' IOC President Juan Antonio Samaranch said at a news conference at the end of the 96th IOC Session. ''I accept the result and I am sure the centennial Games will be excellent.''

Atlanta, likely to bring in more than $600 million in U.S. television rights for prime-time viewing, was chosen ahead of Athens, Toronto, Melbourne, Manchester and Belgrade.

Athens was the sentimental favorite with its aim of bringing the Olympics back to the city in 1996 after it had staged the first Modern Games in 1896.

Samaranch denied Coca-Cola, headquartered in the Georgia capital, played a key role in Atlanta's bid. He said the soft drink company was part of the IOC marketing program and assisted the whole Olympic movement and all the candidate cities.

Richard Pound of Canada, an IOC vice president and mainly responsible for revenue raising, echoed Samaranch's remarks.

He said Atlanta's selection was not a reflection of the IOC's commercial preference. Television and sponsorship interests would have been as great if the 1996 Summer Olympics had gone elsewhere.

''I believe the centennial Games are an event that would stand by themselves wherever they are held,'' he said. ''I can assure you, members of the IOC did not vote on the basis on what or may not have been commercial interests.''

Samaranch said there was no immediate intention of changing the voting procedure despite criticism in some quarters.

''We are always open to trying a new system if there is a better one, but the system we have today is not bad,'' he said. ''It was a democratic decision. We picked the best one. We are not closed to changing for the future but we are quite happy with this system.''

Samaranch did not comment on the wild fluctuation of votes. Many IOC members switched allegiance even though their original choices were still in contention. The secret ballot went the full distance before Atlanta passed the winning 44-vote mark by defeating Athens 51-35 in the fifth round.

Atlanta and Toronto, who shared 60 percent of the votes throughout, formed a North American alliance following Canada's fourth round exit, to defeat Athens.

Although the six candidates had spent more than $100 million between them in campaigning, Samaranch was pleased there was no repeat of the lavish spending

surrounding the 1986 session in Lausanne where Barcelona was selected to host the 1992 Summer Olympics and the Winter Games went to Albertville, France.

Candidate cities held extravagant banquets and showered expensive presents on IOC members.

''The bidding process was very much better for 1996 than it was for 1992,'' Samaranch said. ''The candidate cities spent much less this time than the other.''

But he was still not 100 percent happy and the IOC has sent strict instructions to the six cities bidding to host the 1998 Winter Games. This selection will be made in Birmingham, England, next June.

''We do not want cities to spend money in the way they did in the past,'' he said.

IOC Director General Francois Carrard Wednesday revealed future candidate cities faced possible disqualification from the Olympic bid race if they break the new rules.

The accumulative value of gifts from a candidate city to any one IOC member will be limited to $200. This does not include air tickets or accommodation for visiting bidding cities. However, long family holidays at the expense of candidates will be a thing of the past. IOC members would only be invited to bring along one guest and no repeat invitations are allowed.

The IOC would identify any candidate breaking the rule and said repetition of a serious offense could result in diqualification from the bidding process.

Samaranch also made an oblique reference to candidates who made only token bids.

''The cities, even the losers, are not throwing their money away,'' he said. ''It is very good promotion for their city. I will not mention names, but many cities are known around the world thanks to their bid for the Olympic Games.''

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 20) UPI - The number of Americans who know their cholesterol level more than tripled between 1987 and 1989, indicating education programs about the artery-clogging substance's health dangers are working, researchers said Thursday.

However, certain groups, including the poor, smokers, young adults and the lazy need more prodding, the federal Centers for Disease Control said in Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report.

The median proportion of people over 18 who knew the level of cholesterol in their blood jumped from 6 percent in 1987 to 21 percent in 1989, the CDC said in an update on cholesterol awareness in 39 states and the District of Columbia.

The proportion of adults who have had their cholesterol level checked during the same two-year span rose from 47 percent to 56 percent.

The percentage who had their cholesterol checked in 1989 ranged from a low of 48 percent in Alabama and New Mexico to a high of 64 percent in Connecticut, the CDC said.

The percentage who knew their cholesterol level ranged from 12 percent in the District of Columbia to 33 percent in the state of Washington.

While the general population is heeding warnings to watch cholesterol levels, some groups at highest risk for heart disease - smokers, sedentary people and the poor - are lagging in their efforts, the report said.

''The general good news is that cholesterol screening and awareness have increase substantially over the past three or four years,'' said Dr. Robert Anda, a CDC epidemiologist who co-authored the report. ''Unfortunately, it appears that some groups of individuals are lagging behind. Specifically, younger people, people from lower socioeconomic groups and people who are sedentary or are smokers.''

The National Cholesterol Education Program recommends that people 18 and older have their cholesterol level measured at least once every five years and take steps to lower the level if it reaches into the danger zone.

The CDC recommends a level of below 200 milligrams of cholesterol per deciliter of blood, and warns that a level of over 240 is dangerous.

High cholesterol levels are considered a risk factor for the development of heart attacks and strokes because the fatty substance can cause artherosclerosis or hardening of the arteries.

The federal health agency said it was concerned about the low proportion of young adults who knew their cholesterol levels or had been checked.

The report said that in last year's survey only 12 percent of the 18- 34 age group knew their level and 37 percent in the age group had been tested.

''The lower level of cholesterol testing and awareness among the youngest age group is of particular concern,'' the CDC said. ''Considerable evidence suggests that artherosclerosis is present by early adulthood and that early artherosclerotic lesions may be related to elevated cholesterol levels during

childhood and adolescence.''

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BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA (SEPT. 20) UPI - President Carlos Menem, brushing aside public protests over his decision to send warships to the Persian Gulf, said Thursday ''even my palace guard'' has volunteered for Middle East duty.

Menem's surprise decision this week to send two destroyers and a transport plane to the Middle East has been widely criticized by opposition parties in Congress. Polls show majority public sentiment is against the deployment.

In a breakfast meeting with four journalists, including a United Press International correspondent, Menem said he expected public opinion to swing soon in his favor.

''Talk to any Argentine soldier, and he will tell you he wants to go to the Persian Gulf,'' Menem said. ''Even the palace guard, the Grenadiers, come to me and say they want to go. I've had some soldiers come to me and say they're mad at me because I didn't chose them.''

Asked why the Argentine soldiers were volunteering, the president replied: ''They're professionals. That's what they're trained for.''

He said that many Argentines opposed his decision at first ''because they are badly informed.''

''When you talk about sending off troops to a far-away place, people think they are going to war. When they understand they are not going to a war, they will understand it.''

Menem said he was not worried about losing popularity because ''a president is not a movie star. He has to act on the basis of reality, on what is best for the country.''

He labeled opponents in Congress as an ''infernal melange'' of socialists, leftists, and members of the centrist Radical Civic Union who ''would oppose me if we decided to send troops and would oppose me if we decided not to send troops.''

Menem, 61, said Argentina expected to reap international benefits by joining the blockade against Iraq because it was following policy of the United Nations, which, he said, had the force of law in Argentina.

''Those who follow the law receive its benefits,'' Memen said.

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DOYLESTOWN, PA (SEPT. 20) UPI - The Bucks County coroner, ignoring calls from citizens groups, Thursday said he has no intention of reopening the investigation into the suicide of political activist Abbie Hoffman.

The Citizens Commission on Human Rights and the Prozac Survivors Support Group - both offshoots of the Los Angeles-based Church of Scientology - had asked the coroner to reopen the case after it was learned Hoffman took the controversial anti-depressant Prozac six weeks before his death.

Dr. Thomas Rosko ruled that Hoffman committed suicide on April 12, 1989, in his Solebury Township by taking an overdose of the sedative phenobarbitol and alcohol.

Hoffman, 52, had filled a prescription for Prozac before his death, but Rosko's autopsy did not find any traces of the drug.

Hoffman, best known as the anti-Vietnam war activist who founded the Youth International Party, known as the Yippies, used Prozac for two weeks in February 1989 and then stopped, the groups said.

A Harvard study published in February found that 3 1/2 percent of Prozac users developed suicidal thoughts that lasted up to three months after taking the drug.

Rosko said he would not reopen the case because ''nothing much has changed from when all this started several weeks ago.''

''The reasons why he commited suicide did not change the fact that he did commit suicide. The death was intentional, a self-inflicted overdose of drugs.

''My duty as a coroner is to make a reasonable judgment as to the cause and manner of death and whether he was on drugs,'' Rosko said.

As one of the Chicago Seven, Hoffman was convicted of organizing violent demonstrations at the 1968 Democratic National Convention. The convictions were overturned on appeal.

He settled in rural southeastern Pennsylvania in the mid-1980s after leading the fight against a controversial water diversion project.

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#90263u0911 09/20/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - In a crucial step towards finding a cure for the nation's most common inherited fatal disease, scientists reported Thursday they had repaired cells with the genetic defect that causes cystic fibrosis.

In separate but complementary studies, two research teams used genetic engineering techniques to fix the disease-causing problems in cells taken from people suffering from cystic fibrosis.

The cells were only corrected in the test tube, and were not returned to the patients. Any efforts to use gene therapy to treat cystic fibrosis are likely years away because the approach first must be tested in animals, and researchers must also figure a way to get the genes into patients' lungs, possibly through inhalation.

''This is another step in the direction of offering cystic fibrosis patients treatment, but it is not treatment. On the other hand, patients should take hope and feel good about this achievement. It could have taken longer and been more complex,'' said Dr. Francis Collins of the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, one of the leaders of the research.

Currently, there is no treatment to prevent or directly attack cystic fibrosis a disease in which thick mucus clogs the lungs and leads to life-threatening infections. About one in 2,000 white babies are stricken by cystic fibrosis, and most patients die before they reach age 40.

Robert Dresing, president of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, said: ''There are major steps to achieve before human gene therapy, but this research is a milestone in the drive to cure cystic fibrosis.''

Although their approaches varied slightly, both teams of scientists used a virus to insert a normal copy of the cystic fibrosis gene into cells taken from diseased patients and grown in laboratory dishes. After receiving the healthy gene, the cells appeared to function normally.

The achievement comes about a year after the discovery of the genetic flaw that causes the vast majority - about 70 percent - of cystic fibrosis cases.

At that time, researchers speculated the protein that the gene codes for helped transport salt out of cells. Chloride, which is a component of salt, regulates cells' water levels, and upsetting that balance appears to be what causes the mucus of cystic fibrosis patients to thicken.

In a study published in the journal Cell, a team from the University of Michigan, the University of Alabama at Birmingham and The Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto used a mouse virus that had been rendered harmless to put normal genes into cells taken from a pancreas tumor in a cystic fibrosis patient.

Before the gene implant, the pancreatic cells did not allow salt to properly cross their membranes. After the procedure, those cells transported salt as effectively as cells taken from the airways of healthy people, a change that

lasted at least two months and should be capable of producing of normal mucus, researchers said.

That team is now working on implanting normal genes in cells from the airways of people with cystic fibrosis because respiratory problems, not pancreas problems, are the major killers of such patients. The pancreas cells were used in the first test because they were easier to grow.

Meanwhile, in a study to be published next week in the British journal Nature, researchers from the University of Iowa in Iowa City, Genzyme Corp. of Framingham, Mass., and Tufts University in Boston used a cowpox virus to insert normal genes into airway cells taken from cystic fibrosis patients. The corrected cells functioned normally, while comparison cystic fibrosis cells that received an extra copy of the defective gene still did not work properly.

''These results suggests attempts to correct the defect in a cystic fibrosis person is realistic. But there could be an immense amount of work before we can achieve that,'' said Michael Welsh of the University of Iowa, a co-author of the Nature article.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - Congressional investigators said Thursday businesses are routinely conniving with customers to circumvent money-laundering laws requiring large cash transactions be reported to the Internal Revenue Service.

''Businesses from across our land are willing to assist others in laundering money and evading taxes for a 'quick buck,''' said Rep. J.J. Pickle, D-Texas, chairman of a House Ways and Means subcommittee.

Loopholes in the present law are ''big enough to ... drive a brand new Mercedes-Benz through,'' said Rep. Richard Schulze, R-Pa.

Under a 1984 law, businesses are required to report to the IRS all transactions that involve more than $10,000 in cash. The purpose was to help the IRS identify taxpayers with large cash incomes that might otherwise be underreported.

However, the subcommittee investigators found that car dealers, jewelers, yacht salesmen and others are willing to ignore the law in order to make big cash sales.

''It is shocking that businesses throughout the country are routinely conniving with customers to violate the law,'' Pickle said during a hearing Thursday.

The subcommittee investigators reported on their visits to 79 businesses nationwide where they negotiated for the purchase of $4.2 million in luxury goods, each for more than $10,000 cash.

''Seventy-six out of 79 of these businesses agreed to acept cash and not report the transactions to the IRS. In fact, some of the businesses actually suggested ploys to circumvent the reporting requirements,'' Pickle said.

The investigators bought a $55,000 Persian rug, a $250,000 condominium, a $22,000 antique mirror, a $73,000 Porsche, a $15,000 Mazda Miata, and two Rolex watches for $17,000.

Barney Gomez, one of the investigators, said that when the Rolex watches were purchased from an Atlanta jeweler, the salesman agreed to work out a non-reporting deal but asked the undercover agents to keep their voices down ''because we still have a couple if IRS people in the backroom looking at our records.''

Drug dealers, who routinely have large amounts of cash, are one of the chief targets of the reporting law. But Pickle said it is intended to ''enhance tax compliance by everyone,'' including doctors, lawyers, executives, businessmen and others with large cash incomes.

Schulze criticized the IRS for lax enforcement, saying, ''Our investigation found an almost total breakdown in the program.''

But Schulze said it was obvious that many businesses are anxious to hide large cash transactions and they need to be pressured into compliance.

He opposed ''placing unnecessary burdens on the legitimate businessman, especially small businesses. But, if we're ever going to put a stop to the drug and crime scourge ravaging this country, everyone, including the business community, has to do his part.''

Michael Murphy, an IRS senior deputy commissioner, said the IRS's own investigations show that compliance with the reporting requirement ''is poor '' but said new efforts by the agency ''are begining to bear fruit.''

''We feel that as the business community becomes more aware of the requirements and more publicity is generated, compliance should improve, '' Murphy told the subcommittee.

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TORONTO (SEPT. 20) UPI - Members of the Reichmann family are considering selling 20 percent of a partnership that owns a minority share in Olympia & York Developments Ltd.'s major U.S. real estate portfolio, published reports

said Thursday.

In an interview with The Financial Post, John Zuccotti, chief executive of subsidiary Olympia & York (U.S.) Cos. said: ''O&Y itself is not selling any part of its U.S. assets.''

But Reichmann family real estate in the U.S. would be up for sale under the proposed deal, which could be worth between $200 million and $800 million, according to a Wall Street Journal report quoting real estate professionals.

Sources said the sale could be used to raise cash for Olympia & York's huge Canary Wharf development in London.

In addition, the move is seen as a hedge against the depressed northeastern U.S. real estate market.

Olympia & York is one of the largest commercial real estate owners in New York City and has major holdings in Boston, San Francisco and other U.S. cities.

The Reichmanns have retained investment bankers Lazard Freres to handle the sale, The New York Times said.

Zuccotti, a former New York City deputy mayor, said the partnership involves several members of the Reichmann family.

An unidenfited O&Y source said the possible sale was part of attempts at O&Y to prepare for the retirement of Paul, Albert and Ralph Reichmann. The insider said the timing did not indicate the imminent retirement of the three brothers also the company's main shareholders.

O&Y itself holds the balance of the U.S. real estate portfolio, which includes properties in New York. O&Y is reportedly New York's largest single landlord.

O&Y, primarily a real estate development company, also has an investment portfolio including interests in oil and gas, forest products and financial services. A March 1990 estimate of O&Y's investment portfolio by Dominion Bond Rating Service said it was worth more than $5.5 billion in value.

The rating agency did not provide an estimated value for the company's real estate holdings.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 20) UPI - Eighty-seven percent of top-ranking executives in the Chicago area say the United States either is headed for or already in recession, according to a survey released Thursday.

The survey by Ernst & Young, an accounting firm, examined the U.S. economic outlook through the eyes of more than 180 of the area's top executives.

Forty-nine percent believe the U.S. is headed for a recession and another 38 percent think the recession already is here, said spokesman William Church.

Top officials had different views depending on whether they were in the financial or manufacturing sectors.

''More than half of those responding from manufacturing companies think the recession is already here, compared to just 28 percent of the financial respondents.

''More than 80 percent of the responding manufacturing executives say the national recession will last from 1-2 years, compared to just 57 percent of the financial executives. Almost a third of the financial respondents predict a recesssion of a year or less,'' the survey said.

''But the bright side for the Chicago area is that they believe it will be less severe both in duration and effect here,'' said Church.

Those who believe the recession will be less severe in the Chicago area cited its diversity of industries, strong service-based companies and a lower rate of distress in the real estate industry.

Stephen C. Mack, partner-in-charge of Ernst & Young's Financial Services practice, said the different viewpoints are understandable.

''Many manufacturers are undoubtedly beginning to see a cash crunch as expenses rise and revenues fall, while financial institutions will not feel the pinch until their loan portfolios are impacted, possibly by such signals as missed payments by borrowers,'' Mack said.

Executives listed four main factors as being most likely to impact business in the next six to 12 months. They were recession, reduced consumer confidence, higher oil prices, and the Persian Gulf crisis. Higher interest rates were of lesser concern.

In terms of consumer confidence, Duff & Phelps Investment Research Co. said separately that consumers could make recessionary fears self- fulfilling.

''To a large extent, the fate of the economy rest in the hands of consumers,'' said Wayne C. Stevens, president and CEO.

''Despite a sharp drop in consumer confidence following the Iraqi invasion, anecdotal evidence and incomplete data for August indicate that, as yet, there appears to have been no major disruption in consumer spending patterns.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - Tests on ticks collected in the 1940s indicate Lyme disease plagued the United States three decades earlier than previously thought and may have originated on Long Island, researchers said Thursday.

Analyzing the bodies of 136 ticks preserved in alcohol in the Museum of Comparative Zoology in Cambridge, Mass., and the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, researchers found evidence of the microbe that causes Lyme disease in some ticks that roamed eastern Long Island 44 years ago.

''These data suggest that the appearance of the Lyme disease ... preceded, by at least a generation, the formal recognition of this disease as a clinical entity in the United States,'' the researchers reported in the journal Science.

The ticks had been found between 1924 and 1951 in various parts of the country including Naushon Island and Martha's Vineyard off the coast of Cape Cod, Mass., various parts of Long Island, N.Y., South Carolina, Florida and California.

Researchers from Yale University in New Haven, Conn., Harvard University in Cambridge and the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., analyzed the specimens using a technique known as polymerase chain reaction, which allows scientists to analyze very tiny samples of genetic material.

The researchers found genetic material from the organism that causes Lyme disease - a spirochete called Borrelia burgdoferi - in 13 ticks collected in the 1940s from the adjacent communities of Montauk Point and Hither Hills in eastern Long Island. No such genetic material was found in any other samples even though many are now infested with infected ticks, which spread the disease to humans through their bites.

While ''it is tempting'' to conclude Lyme disease originated there, the researchers said they had not analyzed enough samples from elsewhere to be sure.

However, around that time, Long Island doctors diagnosed a variety of diseases with names like ''Montauk knee'' or ''Montauk spider bite'' that had symptoms similar to Lyme disease and may have been Lyme disease, said Dr. David Persing a pathologist at the Mayo Clinic who led the research while at Yale.

Lyme disease was not recognized as a distinct illness in the United States until 1975, when patients were first diagnosed in Lyme, Conn., which is located across the Long Island Sound from the Montauk Point and Hither Hills.

More than 14,000 cases of Lyme disease have been reported in 43 states since 1980, with most cases occurring in the Northeast and Mid- Atlantic coastal

states and Wisconsin, Minnesota, California and Oregon.

The first syptoms are a usually distinctive rash at the tick bite site and flu-like symptoms. If diagnosed early, the disease can usually be treated with antibiotics. But without treatment, complications such as chronic arthritis, neurological damage and organ damage can occur.

Understanding more about the history of the disease has no direct therapeutic value, Persing said, but helps scientists gain a fuller understanding of the illness.

Researchers are uncertain how Lyme disease came to the United States but the illness had been reported in Europe and could have been brought over through the importation of certain tick-infested animals, he said.

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (SEPT. 20) UPI - When a Japanese art connoisseur buys a Renoir at a New York auction, it counts as a French export to Japan and distorts trade figures, a European Community official said Thursday.

Although the 12-nation EC's massive trade deficit with Japan has been recently shrinking, much of the improvement stems from a frenzy of Japanese purchases of Van Goghs and Renoirs - in the Big Apple.

Shipped to their new Japanese owners, the masterpieces are ''attributed as an import - not from the United States, but from the country of origin of the long-dead painter,'' said Frans Andriessen, the EC's top trade official.

''It paints a rosier picture, if you will forgive the expression, than is actually the case,'' he said.

In July, more than one-third of the EC's balance-of-trade improvement with Japan was due to Japanese art imports.

''Japanese imports of paintings have grown so large as to affect the trade figures significantly almost every month,'' the EC official said. ''These paintings, I may say, are not the fresh output of Europe's most industrious modern artists, from which we would earn real benefit.''

The EC trade commissioner's remarks came in a speech to an EC-Japan journalist's conference in Brighton, England. Copies of the speech were released in Brussels.

Japanese art connoisseurs clearly prefer Picasso and Monet to today's starving artists.

Of the eight highest-priced artworks ever sold at auction, five have gone to Japanese bidders, including Van Gogh's melancholy ''Dr. Gachet,'' which set a new record of $82.5 million earlier this year.

Although he criticized the artwork accounting system as twisted, Andriessen said it should at least recognize an artist's birthplace as his true country of origin.

''Speaking as a Dutchman, I hope this bizarre practice correctly attributes the work of Vincent Van Gogh to Holland and not to France where he actually painted many of his most famous works,'' said the former Dutch finance minister.

Japan's trade surplus with the EC was $20 billion last year, a slight auction-aided improvement from 1988.

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#90263u0933 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (SEPT. 20) UPI - Stock prices on the London International Stock Exchange tumbled to their lowest level of the year in hectic trading Thursday as soaring oil prices and high interest rates undermined companies with heavy borrowings.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which added 1.8 points Wednesday, was plunged 48.9 points to 2,016.9. The narrower top 30 industrial average fell 45.0 points to 1,531.1.

Volume amounted to around 518 million shares compared with 369 million shares changing hands on Wednesday.

Analysts said prices tumbled as investor confidence was hit by ''bad news'' on all sides of the market.

Analysts said that worries about interest rates, oil prices and the general economic situation in Britain combined to produce an uneasy and volatile market.

On the economic front, the Bank of England reported Britain's narrow money supply M-0 rose a provisionally estimated 4.9 percent in August from a year earlier.

M-4 lending, a measure of bank and building society lending to private sectors rose a seasonally adjusted estimated $9.1 billion in August.

The figures compare with market expectations of a 4.9 percent rise in the M-0 and the governments target range of 1 percent to 5 percent growth in the fiscal year ended March 31. Analysts were expecting M-4 to rise about $5.2

billion.

On the corporate news front, Polly Peck International PLC, a British conglomerate, asked the exchange to suspend trading in its shares simply to stop the stock's ''free fall.''

Polly Peck International, whose interest span from Turkish leisure to Japanese electronics, plunged $2.43 to $1.98 on numerous unsubstantiated rumors regarding the company.

On the trading floor, among some of the day's highlights, heavy casualties were also apparent among property companies.

Rosehaugh dropped 54 cents to $1.30 and Stanhope plunged 41 cents to just $1.02.

Pressure of high interest rates pushed Hammerson down 43 cents to $9.68 and similar problems afflicted Speyhawk, whose shares fell 36 cents to $1.50.

Higher earnings by Glaxo and Guinness were overshadowed by the market trend.

Glaxo announced its profits climbed 13.3 percent to $2.14 billion but Glaxo fell 8 cents to $12.90.

Guinness shares dropped 16 cents to $12.10 despite a 31 percent increase in its profits to $462 million.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices closed lower in light trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange for the sixth consecutive session.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which lost 19.73 points Wednesday, fell another 30.03 points or 2 percent to 1,457.51 - its lowest level Nov. 8, 1989.

Analysts said the market continued to be plagued by worries about Persian Gulf crisis.

Market watchers noted that selling pressure was particularly strong from Swiss and British traders, but overall the trading activity was described as ''anemic.''

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#90263u0937 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - American General Corp. said if a buyer does not step forward with an offer for the entire company, management will sell just one of three business segments.

The announcement, late Wednesday, sent the insurance giant's stock down $6.375 to close at $33.625. The home service division has a book value of $3 billion but American General did not say what it would do with proceeds from the sale of that division.

In a board meeting Wednesday, American General directors authorized management to add a restructuring to the current efforts to sell the company as a whole.

Under the restructuring plan, if the entire company cannot be sold, then the firm's home service companies will be put up for sale, and American General will continue to operate as a public company with its insurance-special markets and finance-real estate divisions.

American General announced the company was for sale at its May 2 annual meeting, following an unsuccessful takeover attempt by Torchmark Corp. of Birmingham, Ala.

''We believe that the current international and economic uncertainty has reduced the probability of completing a transaction of the size and complexity represented by the sale of the company as a whole,'' said American General's Harold S. Hook.

''The interest shown thus far in the process has been primarily in the parts - particularly home service - and not in acquiring the entire company,'' Hook said.

He called the new restructuring plan the ''next-best alternative'' to selling the company as a whole.

In previous reports, American General said it was pleased with the number of interested buyers, both international and domestic. But Wednesday, executives acknowledged they are not negotiating on any specific offer although they have had discussions with many prospective buyers.

Hook said he expects Torchmark to be a bidder for the home services unit.

Torchmark, which has publicly stated its primary interest is in American General's home service segment, had little to say about American General's restructuring plan.

''We continue to be interested in American General, and we're most interested in its home service segment. We're anxious to review the company's confidential memorandum,'' the company said in a news release.

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#90263u0950 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - A man aquitted of raping and helping to hide the

murder of his infant daughter six years ago was sentenced Thursday to 10 years in prison for marijuana smuggling.

Ralph Richard, 38, formerly of Pawtucket, R.I., was sentenced in U.S. District Court by Judge Andrew Caffrey. He was convicted in June of taking part in the interstate drug ring.

Caffrey last week sentenced 10 men to prison terms ranging from 10 years to six months for their involvement in the operation.

Richard was convicted on two counts he trafficked marijuana between 1973 and 1984 and possessed the drug with intent to sell it in 1984.

Several witnesses testified that Richard participated in one smuggling operation that brought some 10,000 pounds of pot into North Carolina in May 1984, and continued to deal drugs until at least October of that year.

Richard made national headlines in 1984 when his 4-month-old daughter, Jerri Ann, was allegedly snatched from her crib in his Pawtucket apartment.

He and his wife, Donna, issued public pleas for the child's return, but the baby's raped and beaten body was found in an alley near their home four days after her disappearance.

Donna Richard was charged with the baby's slaying and her husband with rape, but he was aquitted in 1986 and charges against his wife were dropped.

At one point during the trial, Richard said he feared Jerri Ann was slain in retaliation for a drug deal. The death has never been solved.

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#90263u0957 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

BOGOTA, COLOMBIA (SEPT. 20) UPI - President Cesar Gaviria, who took office last month, faced his first crisis with the recent kidnapping of three people that police said may be part of a cocaine cartel plan to pressure the government into negotiations.

Francisco Santos, news editor of Colombia's largest circulation newspaper, El Tiempo, was kidnapped Wednesday night by armed men who killed a bodyguard. Santos is the son of Hernando Santos, publisher of the paper owned by the prominent Santos family.

Also kidnapped Wednesday was the sister of a former top government official. Others still missing were Diana Turbay de Uribe, daughter of former president Julio Turbay, and five journalists who disappeared Aug. 30.

Gen. Nassin Yanine Diaz, National Police commander for Bogota, said officials

were working on the assumption the cases were related and part of a plan to pressure the government to negotiate with cocaine cartel leaders.

''It is one of the aspects we are evaluating,'' Yanine told the radio station RCN. ''If it is a plan put in place to pressure the government to look for a solution then we can say the cases are related. But up to now, we are evaulating this. I believe that we, as policemen, have to be working with this hypothesis.''

The spate of kidnappings prompted the first crisis faced by Gaviria, who took office Aug. 7 looking to end a war between the government and the powerful Medellin cartel of cocaine traffickers.

Gaviria on Sept. 5 announced a peace plan by which drug traffickers and others who committed acts of violence could turn themselves in and confess to their crimes. In return they could receive a reduced sentence and would be ineligible for extradition to the United States.

News reports have said no one has yet taken advantage of the offer. The government also said it did not expect top traffickers to surrender.

The kidnappings disturbed a period of relative peace that began just before Gaviria took office when the Medellin cartel declared an end to its bombings and killings. The peace declaration appeared aimed at pressuring the government to end extradition and reach an agreement with the cartel.

Santos, 28, was kidnapped by armed men who stopped his vehicle and killed his bodyguard. No demands had been received Thursday, officials said.

Hours before, Marina Montoya de Perez was kidnapped from a Bogota restaurant. She is the sister of the former secretary-general of the presidency under the past administration, German Montoya.

During the term of former President Virgilio Barco, Montoya's son, businessman Alvaro Montoya, was kidnapped by the Medellin cartel. He was released after talks between the cartel and the government.

In other cases, Turbay de Uribe, owner of a television news program and a magazine, left Bogota Aug. 30 to try to obtain an interview with the leader of a leftist guerrilla group. She and five other people have not been heard from since.

Bogota newspapers have reported she may be in the hands of Pablo Escobar, the fugitive Medellin cartel kingpin. But her father said Wednesday there was no evidence she had been kidnapped and that she may still be working on a project for the station and magazine.

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#90263u0970 09/20/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - The International Monetary Fund said Thursday the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic has joined the global lending organization.

Czechoslovakia became the 152nd country to join the IMF.

The IMF said Czechoslovakia has agreed to contribute a quota of about $826 million into the fund, which now stands at about $127 billion.

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#90263u0987 09/20/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold

London	
Previous close fix	386.75 off 1.25
Morning fixing	386.00 off 0.75
Afternoon fixing	386.95 up 0.20
Paris	388.56 off 1.66
Zurich	Unavailable
Hong Kong	385.45 off 0.50
New York	
Comex spot gold midday	386.70 up 0.70
Handy and Harman	386.95 up 0.45

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 388.26 up 0.45 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 407.67 up 0.47 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot midday silver 4.771 up 0.002

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.785 per fine ounce up 0.025

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.785 up 0.035 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.12 up 0.037

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 459.00 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 559.00 off 1.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 105.50 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 130.50 off 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90263u0998 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

FLOSSMOOR, IL (SEPT. 20) UPI - Cori Ward's elderly mother has not been calling up the troops in Saudia Arabia, but it looked like it when this month's phone bill rang in at more than $8.7 million.

Illinois Bell spokesman Larry Cose said the elderly woman, who lives in the southern Chicago suburb of Flossmoor, was supposed to get a bill for $87.98 for three weeks service with no long distance calls.

''It was a manual error,'' Cose said. ''We apologized, of course. Something like this rarely happens.''

As far as anyone can figure, an Illinois Bell employee incorrectly typed a correction into the computer system.

Ward said it took some talking, though, to convince the telephone company of its error.

''They said, 'Why do you want a new bill?''' Ward said. ''I said, 'Well, it's rather high.' Then they pulled it up on the computer and said, 'Yes, I see what you mean.'''

Ward says her 75-year-old mother has been a little defensive about the whole thing. She insists she only called her daughter.

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#90263u1015 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - America continues to act as a magnet for brilliant young scientists who are breaking new grounds in many advanced research and high-technology sectors, Fortune magazine said Thursday.

''America continues to act as a magnet for brilliant intellects,'' Fortune said in its issue dated Oct. 8. ''The U.S. scientific and engineering community is nearly a million strong, more than twice the size of Germany's or Japan's.''

While U.S. companies repeatedly warn they need cheaper credit to finance research and development or risk losing the high-technology race to foreign countries, Fortune said Americans invest more in research and development than Japan, Germany, Britain and France combined.

The research and development spendings in the United States in 1990 are estimated at around $108 billion, with $74 billion shelled out by corporate America. The huge budget does not include spendings on military research.

Fortune selected 12 scientists, including three women, as ''America's hot young scientists.''

Closely watched by corporations are Peter Schultz, named America's outstanding young scientist in 1988 by the National Science Foundation, and his work on antibodies; Australian-born Rodney Brooks, associate professor of computer science at MIT, who has endeavored to revolutionize industrial robots; Sharon Long, an associate professor of biology at Stanford, who seeks to stimulate plant growth without massive doses of fertilizers.

But not all research work is aimed at industrial production. Michael Freedman's revolutionary work on topology, a specific branch of mathematics, has won him a ''genius'' five-year grant although there is no direct application yet for his work.

Susan Solomon, who said she was influenced by French scientist and environmentalist Jacques Cousteau, focused her research on the problems of the ozone hole and reached one conclusion: the only solution to save the planet is by prohibiting all offending chemicals.

Bonnie Wallace, a professor at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N.Y., is working on new, better drugs to fight diseases based on cell degeneration, while Australian-born Paul Bottomley is investigating the potential of spectroscopic diagnosis.

Computers and the infinitely small continue to fascinate scientists and the high-technology industry is closely watching. Donald Eigler has managed to create the first man-made cluster of atoms which - one day - could be used to produce minute electronic circuits. Eigler also has a sense of humor - or business - and arranged the artificial atom configuration to read ''IBM.''

Mark Reed, a former Texas Instruments researcher and now a professor at Yale, is studying the quantum effect in his elusive search for memory cells that could fit one billion bits information on a surface not bigger than a dot.

Danish-born Bjarne Stroutstrup endeavored to make using computers easy with a new program called ''C++'' which replaces many cumbersome commands with a few strokes.

Marc Montminy, a scientist at the Salk Institute in LaJolla, Calif., has turned his attention to chemicals produced by the brain and linked to mental disorders.

Alan Dressler, who started studying astronomy at age 5, has tracked down the ''Great Attractor,'' a dark matter mass 200 million light years from earth, whose discovery is challenging the conventional wisdom of the Big Bang theory.

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#90263u1017 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (SEPT. 20) UPI - Saudi Arabia's foreign minister said talks with Premier Li Peng Thursday left him convinced of China's support for a U.N. embargo of Iraq - despite Beijing's call for shipments of emergency food and medicine to Iraq.

The Saudi envoy, Prince Saud al-Faisal, met for an hour with China's hard-line premier during his first visit to Beijing since Saudi Arabia established diplomatic with China in July.

''The talks went very well,'' al-Faisal said at Beijing's airport before departing for Saudi Arabia. ''I am pleased to say I found a very strong position from the government of China.''

Al-Faisal said he was aware of China's publicly stated support for shipments of emergency food and medicine to Iraq, but said he came away his meetings reassured that Beijing was working in concert with the U.N. Security Council.

''There already is an effort to establish that type of (emergency) aid through the machinery of the Security Council,'' he said. ''I found no difference at all in the position of China in this regard.''

As one of five permanent members of the Security Council, China has consistently supported the body's economic embargo of Iraq to compel it to reverse its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

But Beijing has alarmed Baghdad's foes by maintaining that aid shipments to Iraq are necessary and should be carried out, although officials deny that China has actually made any such shipments.

Officials traveling with the foreign minister said China's stance on food and medicine appeared to be concerned primarily with the conditions of Chinese and other foreign workers stranded in Iraq since the invasion.

Saudi officials said they were told by Chinese officials that about 1,400 Chinese workers remain in Iraq, down from an estimated 5,000 two months ago.

Saudi delegation members said they expressed Riyadh's wishes that all members of the Security Council - including China and the Soviet Union - would commit troops to the massive U.S. deployment enforcing the U.N. embargo.

Chinese officials responded by repeating their hope the crisis could be solved

by the gulf nations without military involvement by the ''big powers.''

The Saudi envoy said he nevertheless was satisfied with China's grudging acceptance of the huge U.S. military role in Saudi Arabia and throughout the gulf region.

''I found there is complete understanding (by the Chinese) of the measures taken by Saudi Arabia and the other gulf countries for the security of the gulf countries,'' he said.

Al-Faisal also met with Chinese President Yang Shangkun and other ranking Chinese officials.

Al-Faisal arrived in Beijing Wednesday from Moscow, where he and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev announced Monday their countries would establish full diplomatic ties.

Moscow, like China, made no commitments to join the U.S.-led military force.

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#90263u1031 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - The government will spend about $2.6 billion in federal disaster aid to help the victims of Hurricane Hugo, which caused widespread destruction last year when it stormed across the Caribbean and the Carolinas.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency, marking the first anniversary of the hurricance, said some $1.19 billion of the federal money was needed to supplement the long-term recovery needs of residents and business owners hurt by the storm.

The projected FEMA figure includes $725 million in family grants and housing assistance, $446 million in loans to cover uninsured private and business property losses, and $15 million in unemployment payments and counseling services.

FEMA said the storm caused more than 304,000 people to seek federal assistance the most ever to register for disaster aid as a result of a single incident. Of the total, 144,713 people were furnished with housing, and 187,259 received grants to help pay for disaster-related expenses.

In addition, some $413 million was paid in federal flood insurance proceeds and approved projects for reducing the risk of future hurricane damage, the agency said.

FEMA said the costliest of the recoveries was in South Carolina, where $1.02 billion in total federal funding was needed. In the Virgin Islands and Puerto

Rico, total federal recovery costs were placed at $1.5 billion. In North Carolina, $69.4 million in federal money was needed to fix the damage.

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#90263u1047 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (SEPT. 20) UPI - Some of the students at Coronado High School thought the new cheerleader looked a little large.

Members of the football team joked they would never go out with a girl who could lift more weight than they could.

No wonder, because the high school cheerleader was a 26-year-old man.

For nearly two weeks, Charles James Daugherty convinced the 1,500 students and teachers at Coronado that he was an 11th-grade coed, police said Thursday.

Daughtery, using the name Cheyen Weatherly, showed up at the school Sept. 6 purporting to be a transfer student from Greece and offering a high school transcript.

''Cheyen'' was a good student and tried out for the cheerleading squad, although ''she'' apparently never dressed with the other girl cheerleaders, said police Sgt. Ollie Baltus.

But, at 5-foot-8 and 160 pounds, some people were suspicious of the newcomer.

''Everyone just looked at her like she was so big and everything,'' said Gina, a student at the school. ''I remember one time she (Cheyen) wanted to go out with some of the guys on the football team, but they said they'd never go out with someone who could bench (press) as much as they could.''

School officials did some checking on the transcript and discovered it was a phony. Police arrested Daugherty Tuesday on suspicion of felony impersonation and third-degree forgery.

Daugherty has had experience as a cheerleader, Baltus said. Posing as a woman he served with the all-female cheerleading squad of the Colorado Springs Spirit, a now-defunct minor league football team.

''We did our cheerleading tryouts last year and she (Daugherty) made the squad '' said Betsy Acree, leader of the Spirit squad. ''She was great. I have nothing bad to say about the girl, except she wasn't a girl.''

Acree said she discovered midway through the season that Daugherty was a man and dismissed him.

''One of the cutest stories was that one of the guys involved on the football

team, a mister macho, mister chauvinistic pig, made a comment about what great legs she had,'' Acree said.

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#90263u1106 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (SEPT. 20) UPI - One young British girl is destined to become a living doll - a real-life Barbie doll who will visit theme parks and shopping arcades and attend promotional events to sign autographs and talk to Barbie fans.

American toy manufacters Mattel Thursday announced a campaign to find a young British girl between the ages of 16 and 25 who fits the description of a Barbie doll look-alike.

''She must be bright and bubbly,'' said Mattel's UK brand manager Elaine Blackmore.

Physical requirements include blond hair, blue eyes and long legs, she said.

The winning applicant also must have a good reputation, she said. Barbie has always been faithful to her boyfriend, Ken, and Mattel was planning to scrutinize each applicant, Blackmore said.

''A lot of little girls look up to Barbie and it's important they stay together,'' she said.

Mattel wants the girl to promote Suncharm, the latest version of its best-seller in time for Christmas, she said.

''Like our doll, the real-life Barbie will be a trendsetter, dressed in the latest styles to combine a look that captures the essences of the great outdoors,'' said Blackmore.

The Suncharm look-alike will reign for at least one year and earn up to $28,050 for her appearances.

The chosen girl will be given horseback riding lessons so that she can bring her horse to appearances, she said.

Barbie was named after the daughter of Mattel's co-founders, Ruth Handler and her husband Elliot after they spotted her playing with paper dolls. For the past 31 years it has been one of Mattel's largest selling toys.

Barbie generates $561 million a year from 67 countries with more than 500 million dolls sold per year.

Britain is the first country to hold a contest for a Barbie look- alike, Blackmore said.

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#90263u1115 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

COLOMBO, SRI LANKA (SEPT. 20) UPI - Tamil militants wielding knives and automatic weapons stormed through a fishing village in northern Sri Lanka, setting fire to houses and killing at least 40 villagers, a senior military official said Thursday.

The official said the massacre took place Wednesday evening in the ethnic Sinhalese-dominated village of Vella Mundel, about 80 miles north of Colombo.

Rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, the powerful ethnic Tamil separatist group fighting to create an independent homeland for the nation's minority Tamil population, were responsible for the attack, the official said.

''We have recovered 15 bullet-ridden bodies,'' he said.

Initial reports from the village said police rescued two wounded villagers, who told them an unspeciied number of armed militants killed people on sight. Officials said the two wounded villagers told them at least 40 people had been killed in the attack.

''A large number of fishing huts have also been burned down,'' the official said. ''We fear that there are bodies charred inside.''

The official said authorities in Colombo were waiting for a detailed report.

Rebels mined all approaches to the village, forcing security forces to use navy boats to reach the community, he said.

Normal life in the northern and eastern parts of the Indian Ocean island nation has been disrupted since mid-June, when the Tigers renewed their war against the government by staging simultaneous attacks on four military installations in the eastern part of the country.

Since then, more than 2,600 soldiers, civilians and rebels have been killed in the fighting.

Government forces were able to oust Tamil forces from many of their positions in the east, but have faced stiff resistance from the rebels in their northern strongholds.

The Tigers claim the minority Tamils, who are mostly Hindus, need a separate state because of years of alleged discrimination by the majority Sinhalese, who are Buddhist and control the central government.

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#90263u1121 09/20/1990 ~United Press International
WARSAW, POLAND (SEPT. 20) UPI - Parliament held Thursday a stormy debate on a draft law dealing with the election of a new president, a day after President Wojciech Jaruzelski said he would step down in November to prevent ''unnecesary'' social tensions.

The debate on the amendment turned into a stormy discussion peppered with attacks on the economic policies of Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, whose Solidarity-led ruling coalition lost its parliamentary majority Wednesday after the Peasant Party broke ranks.

Mikolai Kozakiewicz, chairman of the Sejm, the lower house of Parliament, read Jaruzelski's letter in which he said he would step down to prevent unnecessary social emotions - a reference to the mounting pressure on him to resign.

Jaruzelski offered to resign two months after the Sejm approves an amendment to the constitution which would set rules of the election of a new president.

The general was elected to a five-year term 13 months ago as a result of an agreement between Solidarity and communist authorities which allowed the union to participate in parliamentary elections. Solidarity won the parliamentary election and installed its government.

The Sejm is expected to approve the amendment Friday and Jaruzelski would submit his resignation after Nov. 20.

Solidarity founder Lech Walesa, an advocate of presidential election this fall announced Monday he would run for president.

Mazowiecki favors holding both presidential and parliamentary elections early next spring and his plan caused about a rift between him and Walesa.

A government source said Mazowiecki will take a decision soon to run for president as an opponent of Walesa.

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#90263u1124 09/20/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 20) UPI - The Olympic Council of Asia has booted Iraq from the Asian Games set to begin in Beijing in two days. The council- facing threats of an Arab boycott at the games- also voted overwhelmingly to suspend Iraq from the Council because of Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait. The O-C-A's president- a member of the Kuwaiti royal family- was killed in the invasion. Iraq's chief delegate angrily denounced the vote as fixed... but he said his nation sees NO point in appealing the decision. Sheikh Ahmad al Fahad al-Sabah, who succeeded his father as president of Kuwait's national Olympic committee, praised the vote as a reflection of Asian disgust with Iraq.

Iraq's minister of information and culture says President Saddam Hussein Sah-DAHM' Hoo-SAYN' would like to appear on American television. The minister says Saddam has taped a reply to President Bush's speech that was carried on Iraqi television last weekend and that the Iraqi leader wants it aired on American T-V. The minister says the request was relayed to ''competent American authorities'' and that Iraq is waiting for a response. It's NOT known whether the request was delivered to the U-S government or to American T-V networks.

In the Philippines, the government today proposed taking over the U-S Clark Air Base. The proposal came on the third day of talks on the future of U-S military bases in the country. A spokesman says the Manila government wants to assume control of Clark ''as soon as possible'' after the 1947 bases treaty with the United States expires in September 1991... unless a new agreement is reached. The fate of the other facilities will be discussed before the talks end, possibly tomorrow or Saturday.

U-S Customs Service officials in Honolulu arrested a Hawaiian man and woman for trying to sell Millions of dollars worth of weapons from Vietnam to undercover agents posing as arms dealers. Authorities say the arrests on Monday came after an eight-month investigation. The merchandise, purportedly valued at 500-Million dollars, included fighter aircraft, helicopters, tanks, bombs of all sizes, cannons, firearms, and many other military items.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Pan Am Corporation says it's trimming its work force by 25-hundred and reducing capacity to cut costs. The airline cited the rising cost of jet fuel and a softening demand for air travel. Pan Am Chairman Thomas Plaskett says the jobs will be cut next month through layoffs, attrition and voluntary leaves of absence. The cuts will affect both management and non-management employees.

Forecasters say the 11th tropical depression of the current Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season is drifting west toward the Leeward Islands. The depression packed maximum sustained winds near 35 miles an hour. It was centered about 700 miles east of the islands... and was expected to drift west-northwest today and tonight.

Police in Colorado Springs, Colorado, have arrested 26-year-old Charles James Daugherty after he spent nearly two weeks posing as an 11th-grade girl on an all-girl high school cheerleading squad. Daugherty was booked on suspicion of felony impersonation and third-degree forgery. Using the name Cheyen Weatherly he showed up at Coronado High School on September 6th, purporting to be a transfer student from Greece and offering a high school transcript. But school officials checked on the transcript and discovered it was phony.

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BEAVERTON, OR (SEPT. 20) UPI - Tektronix Inc., Oregon's largest private employer, has decided to seek a buyer for its semiconductor test systems division, part of a recent move to shed unprofitable operations.

Marketing manager Mike Kondrat said Wednesday the electronics company is ''looking at several people'' as potential buyers, including the division's top managers.

He said a deal could be reached in the next 30 to 60 days and might include selling off part of the division to an outside buyer and part to the management.

The test division makes machines for the semiconductor chip industry, subject to frequent business fluctuations that carry through to equipment suppliers.

Tektronix, plagued by generally static sales for five years, recently reported a profitable quarter ended Aug. 18 after two straight losing quarters. It has laid off almost 2,000 employees this year and had a worldwide employment Aug. 18 of 12,722, about half of its peak in 1981.

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EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 20) UPI - Armored foxes arrived in Saudi Arabia Thursday, and American soldiers will use the wily vehicles to sniff and scratch to and determine if Iraq's Saddam Hussein has used his lethal arsenal of toxic gases.

''We know what we are looking for,'' said Sgt. Frank Lyles of Oxford, Miss., patting his Fuchs TPZ1, which is rated as the world's most sophisticated chemical warfare detection vehicle. ''Everything he has got, we can detect.''

The West German-made armored car, dubbed ''the fox'' by its newly trained American crews, was originally designed for protection against Warsaw Pact chemicals and biological agents, but has found a new life with the mission against Saddam.

The massive beetle-like vehicle is fully air-conditioned, can reach speeds of 60 mph and amphibious.

Its four-person crew is totally sealed from the outside atmosphere, which is monitored by a bevy of sensors, and in a battle would be sent to scout forward areas.

If a chemical alarm sounds, specialists in the rear compartment use a robot scoop to obtain a soil sample, which is then sucked up a tube into a sealed box.

A computer tests for 60 known chemical agents, and swiftly determines the type and degree of toxicity, as well as documenting the time and location of contact.

A radio operator then advises other units to avoid the area, or wear full protection gear if forced to pass through the contaminated zone.

''This vehicle can save thousands of lives,'' said Sgt. Richard Smith, a 29-year-old fox commander from Waskom, Texas. ''We have never before had the speed and capability.''

The Pentagon has taken elaborate precautions because Saddam has proved his willingness to use chemical weapons with little apparent compunction, employing lethal gas against Iranian troops and his own people, the minority Kurd community.

Iraq has put considerable resources into building an extensive chemical weapons industry, reportedly with assistance from European businessmen.

It has shown no sign of adherring to the 1925 Geneva Protocol on Chemical Weapons, which was formulated after Europe experienced the ghastly effects of gas during World War I and has basically been respected in subsequent conflicts.

Baghdad has a known capability in producing nerve agents, which act against enzymes in body cells, causing a swift death in which the victim's central nervous system in effect short circuits.

But nerve gas is so toxic that it presents battlefield handling problems, particularly if Iraq eschews longer range missiles and dispatches gas by artillery shells, which have a closer range and would be employed to both kill and deny area.

Instead, Iraqi forces may use what they often hurled at Iranian soldiers, ''dusty mustard gas.'' This is a version of the World War I substance that has been thickened to make it more persistent in lingering in the desert, where heat and wind can disperse it.

Mustard gas causes instant blisters if it contacts with skin, particularly where there is body hair. Greater doses can cause blindness.

If inhaled, blisters form inside a victim's lungs, and when these pop, the fluid causes the person to die by what is known as ''dry-land drowning.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - The International Monetary Fund is considering asking nations that have profited from rising oil prices to help ''alleviate the burden'' of other countries hurt by the Persian Gulf crisis, the head of the fund said Thursday.

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''Our strategy is to try to respond to these needs without making a major new instrument,'' he said in a briefing for reporters. ''We will try to use our instruments and resources with appropriate flexibility.''

Camdessus also said the IMF is not overly worried about the deteriorating financial positions of several of the world's large commercial banks.

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Brazilian officials have reportedly told the IMF it will unfreeze its debt to foreign governments if it wins agreement on a proposed $2 billion standby IMF loan. The officials have made no mention of debt owed to commercial banks.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - The eruption of the Gulf crisis has prompted European governments from all sides of the political spectrum to raise gasoline prices, impose austerity measures, lower growth projections and reconsider nuclear energy.

The events in the gulf also are exerting heavy pressure on the free- market reforms of the new democracies in Eastern European countries, which are being forced to divert scarce hard currency earnings to pay for higher-priced petroleum to replace oil shipments embargoed from Iraq and Kuwait.

Yet despite almost universal certainty among experts that the crisis unleashed by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait will lead to slower growth, higher unemployment and rising inflation, many European leaders and economic analysts are optimistic that the effects of a third oil shock can be contained with limited damage.

They point out that since the last oil price jolt in 1979-1980 the world's industrialized countries have reduced their reliance on oil, sharply increased their petroleum reserves and learned that higher energy prices must be counterbalanced with strong and immediate action to contain inflation.

Unlike the United States, which appears headed for a recession because of the oil price rise, Western Europe's economic growth next year is expected to drop only about half a percentage point because of the crisis.

''There is no reason to worry, to panic, or to speculate,'' French Prime Minister Michel Rocard said. ''Within two months we should return to a more or less satisfactory level of oil production and we hope the price will stabilize around $25 or $26 a barrel.''

World oil prices have jumped more than 50 percent to as much as $33 a barrel since the Iraqi strike into Kuwait.

Echoing Rocard, the Union Bank of Switzerland predicted in its latest study oil should stabilize at between $24 and $26 a barrel and that such an increase

would not have a great effect on the Western economies.

The study by Switzerland's largest bank said GNP growth within the 24 leading industrialized countries should be 2.8 percent this year compared with its previous forecast of 3 percent and 2.3 percent in 1991 instead of 2.7 percent.

The International Monetary Fund, in its world economic outlook, projected growth would slow to about 2 percent this year from 3 percent in 1989.

Despite the official optimism, governments, industries and consumers are feeling the pinch from higher oil prices. In Sofia, Bulgaria, for example, consumers frequently have had to wait in line for as long as 21 hours to buy fuel.

Britain could well be the hardest hit Western European country, with analysts saying the gulf crisis may prove to be the final straw for an economy already teetering on the brink of recession.

Britain's annual inflation rate reached 10.6 percent at the end of August, the first time price increases reached the double-digit mark since 1982. Economic growth, which was 1.7 percent in the 12 months ending March 31, is expected to decline to 1 percent in the current fiscal year.

Although Britain, a net oil exporter, relies on petroleum for only about 30 percent of its domestic energy needs, it is not exempt from the inflationary and recessionary effects of an oil shock.

''But what's more worrying is the fact that the oil price rises hit the economy at a time when it was already heading for a slowdown,'' said Derek Scott, an economist at Barclays de Zoete Wedd in London.

The British already are feeling the effects, with pump prices up between 3 percent and 5 percent since Iraq invaded Kuwait. Some industry analysts are predicting retail gasoline prices will rise 30 percent before stabilizing.

Car sales are expected to drop 10 percent to 2 million units this year from 1989 levels. Thousands of automobile workers have been laid off at Fiat and Peugeot plants in Britain, although industry officials say the cutbacks are not related to the Gulf crisis.

Across the English Channel in France, the Socialist government was among the first to act to regulate gasoline prices, imposing a ceiling based on the price of a barrel of crude oil on world markets. The result is a $4.28 per gallon price at the pump compared to $3.76 before the United Nations imposed an embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti petroleum.

The French statistical office Insee estimated that as a result of the crisis inflation will reach 3.6 percent this year rather then the 3.1 percent rate it

previously had projected. The country's large external commerce deficit is expected to increase by an additional $1.9 billion to $9.5 billion.

In addition, French Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy's prediction that the economy would grow by 3 percent this year appears doubtful, according to economic experts.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - A reluctant President Bush is under growing pressure from lawmakers to tap the nation's Strategic Petroleum Reserve now to calm oil markets before the Persian Gulf crisis leads to an actual energy shortage.

Bush, who signed legislation Saturday giving him wider latitude to order emergency oil supplies drawn from the 600 million-barrel reserve, said this week he had no immediate plans to take such action.

The Energy Department is keeping close tabs on the nation's oil supplies, but an administration official said, ''There is a reluctance to use (the reserve) until it is proven absolutely necessary.''

Recent oil price spikes, accompanied by rising retail gasoline prices, have been attributed more to market speculation than to actual shortages since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Although the loss of Iraqi and Kuwait oil due to United Nations trade sanctions enforced largely through U.S. military power has crimped world production, overall oil inventories are expected to remain at or above normal levels through this month, Energy Department officials have said.

Absent a demonstrable shortage in petroleum stocks, the administration is hesitant to draw on the strategic reserve, a move that would likely dampen prices by adding to supplies.

Several analysts, however, have suggested a modest release of oil from the reserve now would calm oil markets and prevent catastrophic price increases that could be set off in the event of a severe supply disruption.

Gasoline prices have risen sharply since the invasion - more than 20 cents a gallon at the pump in many areas - and airlines have boosted ticket charges, citing increased fuel costs. Home heating oil prices also have pushed up, just as the winter heating season arrives.

Energy Secretary James Watkins said last week the possibility of a coordinated ''draw-down'' of strategic reserves by the United States and other industrialized nations, such as Germany and Japan, will be discussed at the

next meeting of the International Energy Agency in Paris on Sept. 28.

However, Rep. Philip Sharp, D-Ind., chairman of the House subcommittee on energy and power, sent a letter Tuesday to Watkins urging the administration to begin selling oil from the U.S. reserve immediately.

''This effort should not wait for the IEA meeting,'' Sharp wrote, citing increases in inflation and growing fears of a recession sspurred by escalating oil prices.

''It is for just such circumstances that the Strategic Petroleum Reserve was created, and the recent amendments (giving the president broader discretion to draw on the reserve) reflect the widespread view in Congress that the president should utilize this authority,'' Sharp wrote.

He recommended the administration begin by selling up to 5 million barrels of oil from the reserve under ''test draw-down'' powers authorized by Congress.

Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., noted in a Senate speech Tuesday, ''We've spent $15 billion to store nearly 600 million barrels in the reserve, and I believe it's time to start using it to stabilize gas prices and get our economy back on track.''

Lieberman suggested starting with the 50,000 barrels a day that now go into the reserve, working up to withdrawals of 150,000 barrels a day.

Bush said Tuesday before heading off on a campaign trip to the West that he had no plans to make a decision on use of the reserve this week.

A day earlier, he told reporters, ''I think that when you have a real shortage of a product or you see an external event that is going to guarantee that there be shortage, then would be the time when you most certainly should use the SPR. It is my judgment that there isn't such a shortage at this time.''

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

SALES
Net Income (per share)

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Avery Intl (3rd Q 8-31)	
$448,600,000	$422,700,000
a-$13,300,000 (.30)	$18,900,000 (.43)

a-Includes pre-tax merger expenses of $3,700,000.

Best Products (2nd Q 8-4)
$442,832,000 $429,611,000
d-$33,650,000 d-$27,213,000
d-Deficit.

Clarcor (3rd Q 8-31)
$55,623,000 $51,902,000
a-$6,404,000 (.65) $2,538,000 (.22)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Edwards A G Inc (2nd Q 8-31)
$172,540,000 $157,964,000
$15,334,000 (.67) $17,280,000 (.75)

Genl Kinetics (Year 8-31)
$18,330,000 $11,178,000
$898,000 (1.03) d-$1,477,000
d-Deficit.

Lilly Industrl Coatg (3rd Q 8-31)
$58,925,000 $54,859,000
$2,598,000 (.26) $3,417,000 (.34)

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WARSAW (SEPT. 20) UPI - A resident from the northern city of Slupsk went to the forest Thursday to pick mushrooms but instead found a bomb lost by a Soviet jet, the official news agency PAP reported.

The agency said Jan Sawicki heard the Soviet MIG-19 taking off from the airfield and minutes later a heavy object fell to the ground a few yards away from the place where he was looking for mushrooms.

''The metal object turned out to be a bomb lost by the plane,'' the agency said. ''Fortunately it did not explode.''

There are about 55,000 Soviet troops stationing in Poland in the northern and southwestern part of the country.

Poland's independent government recently demanded that the troops be withdrawn not later than 1992.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 20) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	79.47	79.60	79.20	79.40	79.67
Dec	77.15	77.27	76.87	77.25	77.40
Feb	75.47	75.60	75.20	75.55	75.72
Apr	75.85	76.00	75.70	75.95	76.00
Jun	73.80	73.80	73.52	73.75	73.90
Aug	72.00	72.07	71.95	71.95	72.05
Oct	72.00	72.00	72.00	72.00	72.05

Est. sales 12,194 contracts; Wednesday 14,862; open interest 71,152 up 223.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Sep	89.25	89.50	89.17	89.47	89.37
Oct	87.50	87.77	87.42	87.62	87.87
Nov	87.20	87.45	87.12	87.35	87.57
Jan	86.10	86.42	86.10	86.40	86.65
Mar	84.85	85.05	84.82	84.90	85.20
Apr	84.10	84.10	83.85	83.87	84.15
May	83.00	83.00	82.95	82.95	83.10

Est. sales 1,189 contracts; Wednesday 914; open interest 10,673 off 32.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	53.85	54.25	53.70	54.22	53.82
Dec	52.55	53.00	52.25	52.95	52.40
Feb	49.30	49.80	49.25	49.75	49.12
Apr	45.85	46.30	45.65	46.22	45.85
Jun	50.05	50.40	50.05	50.22	50.25
Jly	50.25	50.40	50.25	50.25	50.25
Aug	49.00	49.10	48.90	49.00	48.90
Oct	....	....	43.80	43.80	43.85

Est. sales 6,763 contracts; Wednesday 7,356; open interest 26,346 up 500.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	56.50	57.75	56.22	57.40	56.40
Mar	56.40	57.65	56.20	57.55	56.37
May	57.30	58.20	57.00	58.00	57.00
Jly	56.75	58.15	56.60	58.15	56.67
Aug	....	....	....	55.25	55.25

Est. sales 2,385 contracts; Wednesday 2,838; open interest 5,919 off 225.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 122.31 up 2 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 121.73 up 22 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 115.86 up 6 cents, 700-850 lbs. 115.53 down 3 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins were not

tested; skinned hams firm-2.00 higher; seedless bellies uneven in a light test; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 73.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 102.00, 20-26 lbs.98.00-99.00, 32 lbs. and up 92.00; bellies 12- 14 lbs. 55.00-57.00, 14-16 lbs. 56.00-57.00, 16-18 lbs. 51.00.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 20) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.69 1/2	2.72 1/4	2.67 3/4	2.68 1/4	2.69 1/4
Mar	2.84	2.87	2.82 1/2	2.83	2.85 1/2
May	2.93	2.95	2.91	2.91 3/4	2.93
Jly	2.97 1/2	3.00 1/2	2.96 1/2	2.96 1/2	2.98 1/4
Sep	3.04	3.04 3/8	3.02 1/2	3.02 1/2	3.03
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.21 1/2	2.26 1/2	2.21 1/2	2.23 3/4	2.22 1/4
Mar	2.31	2.35 3/4	2.30 3/4	2.33 1/4	2.32 1/4
May	2.38	2.42	2.37 1/2	2.39 3/4	2.38 1/2
Jly	2.42 1/2	2.45 1/2	2.42 1/2	2.44	2.42 3/4
Sep	2.41 1/4	2.43	2.41 1/4	2.42 3/4	2.41 3/4
Dec	2.43	2.44 1/4	2.42 1/2	2.44	2.43 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.14	1.17	1.13	1.14 1/2	1.16 1/4
Mar	1.25	1.27 3/4	1.24 3/4	1.25 1/2	1.27
May	1.32 1/2	1.34 1/2	1.32 1/4	1.32 1/2	1.34 1/4
Jly	1.39 1/4	1.40 1/2	1.39	1.39	1.40 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	6.18	6.24 1/2	6.16 1/2	6.17 1/4	6.17 3/4
Jan	6.32	6.38 1/2	6.30 1/2	6.31 3/4	6.32 1/4
Mar	6.46 1/2	6.51 1/4	6.44	6.44 3/4	6.45 1/4
May	6.55 1/2	6.60 1/2	6.53	6.53 1/2	6.55
Jly	6.62	6.67 1/2	6.60 1/2	6.61	6.62
Aug	6.57	6.62	6.53	6.53	6.56 1/2
Sep	6.35 1/2	6.35 1/2	6.33	6.33	6.35
Nov	6.27	6.31	6.26	6.26 3/4	6.27 1/4
Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Oct	23.50	23.68	23.38	23.57	23.43
Dec	23.61	23.85	23.54	23.76	23.61
Jan	23.90	24.12	23.80	24.01	23.88
Mar	24.20	24.45	24.13	24.31	24.17

May	24.45	24.65	24.40	24.50	24.40
Jly	24.55	24.75	24.50	24.60	24.48
Aug	24.55	24.55	24.40	24.50	24.40
Sep	24.50	24.50	24.40	24.45	24.35
Oct	24.10	24.40	24.10	24.30	24.20
Dec	23.80	23.80	23.70	23.80	24.10

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	179.70	181.10	178.20	178.30	180.10
Dec	183.70	185.20	182.50	182.60	183.90
Jan	185.20	186.70	184.20	184.40	185.40
Mar	187.60	189.50	187.00	187.50	188.50
May	189.00	190.50	188.50	188.50	189.60
Jly	190.00	192.00	190.00	190.10	191.00
Aug	189.50	190.50	189.00	189.00	190.00
Sep	188.00	189.00	187.00	187.00	190.00
Oct	186.50	186.50	184.50	184.50	186.50
Dec	187.00	187.00	185.00	185.70	187.50

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - The Pentagon says an American soldier deployed in Saudi Arabia in Operation Desert Shield was killed today when a jeep-like vehicle rolled over him during a training mission. Two other soldiers were hurt... one with a head injury, the other with a leg injury. Both are reported in stable condition. Identification of the three soldiers is being withheld. .

Also today, Iraq's Information Minister warned the United States against attacking Iraq. The official was quoted on Baghdad Radio as saying that if multi-national forces in the Persian Gulf launch an attack, Iraq will destroy all oil fields in the Gulf. .

In Washington, the Bush administration is seeking permission from Congress on an arms sale package to Saudi Arabia to meet additional needs in the Persian Gulf crisis. A White House aide says the Saudi proposal won't be submitted to Congress yet because the administration needs a better idea of what will be acceptable. The aide says the cost of the arms package would be ''significant.''

Farmers were required to idle five percent of their wheat land this year to qualify for farm program benefits such as crop loans and subsidy payments. But today the Agriculture Department says it plans to require a 15 percent land set-aside for the 1991 wheat crop. Wheat Belt lawmakers pressed for the past two weeks for the announcement, partly because farmers have begun seeding the winter crop and partly to stabilize falling market prices.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - A reluctant President Bush is under growing pressure from lawmakers to tap the nation's Strategic Petroleum Reserve now to calm oil markets before the Persian Gulf crisis leads to an actual energy shortage.

Bush, who signed legislation Saturday giving him wider latitude to order emergency oil supplies drawn from approximately 600 million-barrel reserve, said this week he had no immediate plans to take such action.

The Energy Department is keeping close tabs on the nation's oil supplies, but an administration official said, ''There is a reluctance to use (the reserve) until it is proven absolutely necessary.''

Recent oil price spikes, accompanied by rising retail gasoline prices, have been attributed more to market speculation than to actual shortages since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Although the loss of Iraqi and Kuwait oil due to United Nations trade sanctions enforced largely through U.S. military power has crimped world production, overall oil inventories are expected to remain at or above normal levels through this month, Energy Department officials have said.

Absent a demonstrable shortage in petroleum stocks, the administration is hesitant to draw on the strategic reserve, a move that would likely dampen prices by adding to supplies.

Several analysts, however, have suggested a modest release of oil from the reserve now would calm oil markets and prevent catastrophic price increases that could be set off in the event of a severe supply disruption.

Gasoline prices have risen sharply since the invasion - more than 20 cents a gallon at the pump in many areas - and airlines have boosted ticket charges, citing increased fuel costs. Home heating oil prices also have pushed up, just as the winter heating season arrives.

Energy Secretary James Watkins said last week the possibility of a coordinated ''draw-down'' of strategic reserves by the United States and other industrialized nations, such as Germany and Japan, will be discussed at the next meeting of the International Energy Agency in Paris Sept. 28.

However, Rep. Philip Sharp, D-Ind., chairman of the House subcommittee on energy and power, sent a letter Tuesday to Watkins urging the administration to begin selling oil from the U.S. reserve immediately.

''This effort should not wait for the IEA meeting,'' Sharp wrote, citing increases in inflation and growing fears of a recession sspurred by escalating

oil prices.

''It is for just such circumstances that the Strategic Petroleum Reserve was created, and the recent amendments (giving the president broader discretion to draw on the reserve) reflect the widespread view in Congress that the president should utilize this authority,'' Sharp wrote.

He recommended the administration begin by selling up to 5 million barrels of oil from the reserve under ''test draw-down'' powers authorized by Congress.

Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., noted in a Senate speech Tuesday, ''We've spent $15 billion to store nearly 600 million barrels in the reserve, and I believe it's time to start using it to stabilize gas prices and get our economy back on track.''

Lieberman suggested starting with the 50,000 barrels a day that now go into the reserve, working up to withdrawals of 150,000 barrels daily.

Bush said Tuesday before heading off on a campaign trip to the West that he had no plans to make a decision on use of the reserve this week.

A day earlier, he told reporters, ''I think that when you have a real shortage of a product or you see an external event that is going to guarantee that there be shortage, then would be the time when you most certainly should use the SPR. It is my judgment that there isn't such a shortage at this time.''

However, Bush acknowledged, ''I'm listening to those in the administration and on the Hill that make the case'' that a small draw- down from the reserve would ease speculation on oil markets. ''That has some appeal,'' said the president, who built his personal fortune in the Texas oil industry.

Meanwhile, the Energy Department is ''in a state of readiness'' to dip into the government-stored reserve should Bush order it, said Howard Borgstrom, head of the Office of Planning and Financial Management Policy for Petroleum Reserves.

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TOULON, FRANCE (SEPT. 20) UPI - Two ships carrying French military vehicles to Saudi Arabia left the southern port of Toulon Thursday, but a third ship carrying the first of 4,000 French troops being deployed was delayed when sailors demanded hazardous duty bonuses.

President Francois Mitterrand announced Saturday the deployment of 4, 000 troops backed by tanks and aircraft as part of France's response to Iraqi troops storming the French Ambassador's residence in Kuwait last week.

The troops will participate in a U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the Persian Gulf region in response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Atlas and the Cap-Ferrat - roll-on, roll-off civilian cargo ships requisitioned by the government - set sail Thursday at noon with more than 150 army support vehicles aboard, defense ministry officials said.

Also scheduled to leave Thursday was the car ferry Corse, which the government rented as part of the French armada to ferry men and equipment to the Saudi Red Sea port of Yabu, where France has established an advance base for its contingent.

The departure of the Corse with 500 soldiers on board was delayed, however, by a strike and demonstration at its home port of Bastia, Corsica, by sailors demanding the crew's company life insurance be doubled and that they receive a risk premium of $235 a day during the eight-day sea voyage.

No special military escort was provided for the flotilla, but France has 14 warships in the Persian Gulf region, many of them near Yanbu.

Five other cargo and passenger ships were expected to leave for Saudi Arabia by Friday with some 3,500 other men and 800 vehicles aboard.

France already has a small contingent of troops in the United Arab Emirates and about 100 other men with helicopters at Yanbu, who were deployed before Mitterrand's Saturday announcement.

In another development, French companies reportedly under suspicion of having violated a U.N. embargo against Iraq by supplying military equipment to Baghdad denied the allegations carried by the news magazine Le Nouvel Observateur Thursday.

Atochem, part of the state-run Elf Aquitaine group, denied having provided a patented product that may be used for making Tabun gas, used in chemical warfare, to Iraq via Nigeria.

An Atochem spokesman said it had sold to the West German company WET a license for producing the product, Phosphorus Trichloride or PCL3, in Nigeria.

But Atochem said the contract strictly forbade the military use of the product transfer of technology to other companies, or divulging information about the product - normally used to make pesticides and defoliants - to third parties.

Another company called into question by Le Nouvel Observateur, De Dietrich, said it had only supplied ''standard'' material to Iraq.

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DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 20) UPI - Saudi Arabia has canceled special border privileges for more than 1 million Yemenis living in the kingdom in a move apparently aimed at censuring Yemen for its pro-Iraqi stance, officials said Thursday.

An Interior Ministry statement released Wednesday did not directly name Yemen or its citizens, but an official said Thursday its wording was such that they were the only nationality affected.

''The measures were taken because the considerations and circumstances under which the kingdom granted these privileges have changed, and because the general interest requires that these privileges be reconsidered,'' the statement said.

Under the new rules, Yemenis in Saudi Arabia - who are mostly small merchants and very active in the kingdom's gold markets - must have a sponsor and an entry visa, ending what had effectively been an open border into Saudi Arabi, Yemen's wealthy northern neighbor.

''It is directed towards Yemenis without saying so,'' one official said of the statement. ''The Yemenis were the only ones who could come in without visa requirements ... and the government is taking out all the special status that was there.''

Officials said they believed Riyadh was showing disapproval over the Sanaa government's support for Iraq.

Yemen, which is comprised of newly united southern and northern sections, has a longstanding claim on territory inside Saudi Arabia.

It has abstained in some votes in the U.N. Security Council on creating an economic embargo against Baghdad and has given sanctuary to some Iraqi vessels being tracked by warships enforcing the blockade.

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GAINESVILLE, Fla. (SEPT. 20) UPI - The NCAA Thursday leveled a two-year probation on the University of Florida's football and basketball programs, barring the school from appearing in a 1990 bowl game and ordering the return of money earned in the 1988 NCAA basketball tournament.

Four months after charging the university with 10 rules violations, the governing body for intercollegiate athletics issued sanctions against Florida's major athletic programs in a decision hand-delivered to UF President John Lombardi. Because of sanctions ordered against the football program in 1984, the NCAA had the authority to impose the ''death penalty,'' and shut

down both the football and basketball programs.

The Gator basketball program, now under the guidance of new coach Lon Kruger, was stripped of two scholarships next season and one in 1992-93. The NCAA Committee on Infractions ordered the records of an unidentified player and the team's performance in the '88 NCAA Tournament deleted due to the player's ineligible status.

Published reports have identified the ineligible player as Vernon Maxwell, a third-year guard with the NBA's Houston Rockets and Florida's career scoring leader with 2,450 points.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - Yields for 52-week T-bills fell to 7.25 percent at Thursday's monthly auction, the lowest since 7.21 percent Jan. 11, the Treasury Department said.

The government said it sold about $10.52 billion worth of the bills, and the average investment rate was 7.78 percent at a price of $9,266.90 per $10,000 face value.

At the last auction Aug. 23, the bills yielded 7.40 percent.

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DETROIT (SEPT. 20) UPI - A top Chrysler Corp. executive says the automaker may change its mind about installing a driver-side air bag in its minivan models next year if the public is led to believe it is an inadequate or inferior system.

Chrysler Motors President Robert A. Lutz, during a preview of the carmaker's 1991 models at its Highland Park, Mich., headquarters Wednesday, said the air bag planned for its 1991 minivans does not meet the letter of the law under federal standards, which now only apply to cars, not light trucks or minivans.

Because of that, Chrysler is calling it an ''air restraint system'' instead of an air bag.

''Our system does not meet the letter of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 208,'' Lutz said, because any minivan with an air bag would not have the padded knee bolsters on the lower dashboard, now required on all cars equipped with the balloon-like safety devices.

''An air bag without knee bolsters is the quickest way'' the company can get the safety device to market, Lutz explained, adding that Chrysler expects to

beat any federally mandated truck safety standards requiring manufacturers to install passive restraints like air bags or automatic safety belts.

But Lutz said that if the media or public perceive the minivan's air restraint system to be inferior to other air bag systems in cars, ''we would then be sorely tried not to even do it.''

When asked why Chrysler could not design an air bag system with knee bolsters, Lutz blamed the long time needed to redesign an instrument panel - usually about three years - and the fact that light truck safety standards were not a major issue among engineers or planners at Chrysler or any automaker.

Lutz also said Chrysler will have passenger-side air bags on all its North American-made cars within two or three years' time, although no final decision has been made on how many cars will carry them as standard equipment.

Chrysler now has driver-side air bags on all its domestically built cars.

''Three years ago, there were hardly even air bags on cars,'' a spokesman for Chrysler's engineering operations said. ''We took a fairly big risk by putting them on our cars in such big numbers, but now we know it turned out to be the right thing to do.''

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MIAMI (SEPT. 20) UPI - An endangered 4,500-pound rhinoceros with a severely infected foot has been fitted for a protective rubber bootie custom made by Pirelli Armstrong Tire Corp., which uses a rhino as its mascot, zookeepers said Thursday.

The 21-year-old male rhino, named Mohan, is the star of Miami Metrozoo's Indian rhino breeding program. He suffers from a foot infection that has grown steadily worse, said assistant curator Ron Magill.

''We can effectively treat the toe but he immediately steps in his own feces, steps in the dirt and mud, and totally nullifies anything we've done to the foot,'' Magill said.

''We've tried a wide variety of bandages and coverings but nothing was strong enough to withstand his tremendous weight.''

While searching for a solution, Magill was inspired by an advertisement for Pirelli Armstrong, which uses a rhino as its mascot and has helped support rhino preservation projects in the past.

''I wondered if they'd like to help this individual rhino,'' he said.

The company, headquartered in New Haven, Conn., agreed to work up a super-strong rubber rhino bootie and turned the project over to engineers in its Little Rock, Ark., plant.

''We just asked whether they needed a right or a left,'' joked engineer Mike Skoog in Little Rock.

Magill faxed a diagram and the animal's measurements. After experimenting with several prototypes, the company's engineers constructed a 12-pound rubber bootie, reinforced with kevlar, that laces up the back with nylon rope.

It was shipped to Miami and zookeepers plan to slip it on the animal Friday.

''The challenge here is whether we'll get the rhino to cooperate,'' Magill said. ''We're not going to anesthetize this animal. That's extremely dangerous.''

Zookeepers plan to pack the boot with medicine-soaked guaze, then slip it on and lace it in place while the rhino is distracted with food.

''We're hoping this animal doesn't panic. He's going to be initially a little bit perturbed by this thing,'' Magill said. ''He's actually very amiable but this is a very large animal. As big and calm as he looks, he can move quickly and jump and kick. If he freaks, people can get injured. We have to be very cautious.''

They have been experimenting with 10-pound weights to get the animal used to carrying the extra weight on his foot, Magill said.

''He seemd to get over it. Hopefully, what'll happen is he'll slowly become accustomed to the boot,'' he said.

Curators fear that unless the foot heals, the infection could spread, causing lameness or even killing the rhino.

He is one of 50 Indian rhinos living in zoos worldwide, including 29 in the United States. There are only an estimated 2,700 remaining in the wild.

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OTTAWA (SEPT. 20) UPI - Mohawk leaders said Thursday they are counting on federal politicians returning to work next week to bring a ''sense of sanity'' to the 10-week standoff between armed soldiers and Mohawks over a land dispute.

Mohawk negotiator Bob Antone said that the 30 militant Mohawks, women and children staging a last stand in a drug treatment center on the Kanesatake reservation south of Montreal would not surrender, even though talks between

Indians and the army over a peaceful resolution of the dispute broke off Wednesday.

''We still hope there will be a sense of sanity on the politicians' side,'' said Antone, adding that the Mohawks would try to ''hang on'' until Monday, when Parliament returns from a three-month break.

Late Tuesday, military commanders told native leaders there was nothing left to discuss except surrender. Brig. Gen. Armand Roy, in a message delivered to natives at Kanesatake, said future discussions would be limited ''to our military offer for disengagement.''

''There will be no discussion of Oka land claims by anyone until the (Mohawks) have disengaged and placed themselves in military custody,'' Roy said.

Police, soldiers and Mohawks at two Quebec reservations have been involved in a land dispute that began July 11 when Quebec officers stormed a barricade erected by natives around a proposed golf course they claimed was an ancient burial ground. One officer was killed in the raid at the Kanesatake reserve, south of Montreal.

A day later, Mohawks at Kahnawake erected barricades across highways and a bridge connecting the town of Chateauguay to Montreal. In August, the Quebec government ordered Canadian troops to replace the provincial police force at the barricades. Within days, Kahnawake Mohawks and soldiers agreed to jointly dismantle barricades around the one reserve.

Antone, one of the chiefs of the Six Nations Iroquois Confederacy who has been trying to mediate a settlement at Kanesatake, said the Mohawks have made several reasonable proposals for disengagement, but none of them were acceptable to the army or the Quebec government.

In the latest proposal made last week, the Mohawks offered to surrender their weapons and submit to military custody if the natives could be represented on a joint commission to investigate possible criminal proceedings as well as negotiate long-term issues linked to land claims and recognition of native sovereignty.

But Antone said Mohawks would not surrender unless it was clear the Quebec and federal governments would fulfill their promise to negotiate those issues after the natives surrendered.

Antone said the feeling of isolation in the native encampment ''is closing in all the time'' and spiritual leaders were attempting to deal with those who were close to the breaking point.

Despite their reluctance to surrender, Antone said the natives have already won the war, especially in terms of public support for their cause. ''But in

the short term we will probably lose the battle,'' he added.

Antone said there would be loss of life if the army decided to storm the drug treatment center and take natives into custody.

He also warned of similar standoffs across the country if the government fails to negotiate outstanding issues.

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BONN, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 20) UPI - The two German parliaments Thursday ratified - as anticipated - a crucial bilateral treaty which settles the legal financial and technical details of Oct. 3 German unification.

Both houses passed the unification treaty with the required two- thirds majority.

The action came shortly after the West German government assured its neighbors and allies that a unified Germany will never repeat the atrocities of Nazism and that unification will be ''an investment'' in a European future.

Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher made the remarks in a statement to Parliament at the beginning of the session to debate the bilateral unification treaty signed by the two German governments on Aug. 31.

In West Germany's 519-member Bundestag, 442 parliamentarians voted in favor of the treaty, 47 against and three abstained.

Those who voted against included members of the left-leaning, environmentalist Greens party, as well as arch-conservative politicians opposed to a clause in the treaty which formally recognizes the loss of former German territories ceded to Poland after Germany lost World War II.

Deputies in East Berlin burst into applause when the document was accepted, while parliamentarians in Bonn sang the national anthem upon ratification - a rare occurrence in the West German Parliament.

In the 400-seat Volkskammer, the East German parliament, 299 deputies voted for the treaty. Another 80, most of them Communists, opposed it and one representative abstained.

Shortly before the vote in East Berlin, parliamentary President Sabine Bergmann-Pohl said that ''the process of German unification is only at the beginning.''

''It will need much time, great intuition and courage for possibly unpopular decisions to fill old ditches and to avoid creating new ones,'' she said.

In his address to the Bundestag, Genscher said, ''On Oct. 3, the German people will again live in a democratic state - for the first time after 57 years. Our contribution for one Europe is also an investment in our European future.''

He said Germany had lost its liberty on Jan. 30, 1933, the day Adolf Hitler became chancellor of Germany, and lapsed into a period of fascism and war before the country was devided after World War II.

''Many Germans lost their lives, their health, all their belongings and their homeland. And all of us lost the respect and friendship of the other peoples '' Genscher said.

In a reference to the 6 million Jews killed in Nazi death camps, Genscher said ''we are uniting in the determination that this may never happen again...''

He reiterated the German borders are final and will not be changed, a reference to Polish fears a united Germany will want back former German territories which became part of Poland after World War II.

''The world looks upon Germany and the world should know: We know our responsibility and we will fulfill it,'' he added.

The bilateral unification treaty sets down the legal and financial aspects of the merger, which entails the absorbtion of East Germany in West Germany's Federal Republic - ending the 41-year existance of the German Democratic Republic, East Germany.

The treaty was signed after almost two months of tough negotiations between the two German governments and within each of the two parliaments.

Several compromises had to be reached to prevent a collapse of the talks. Abortion laws proved to be one of the toughest issues, but negotiators eventually agreed on interim legislation, under which abortion will remain legal in East Germany and illegal in West Germany.

A last-minute snag cropped up this week when East German parliamentarians demanded they be given to right to look into the 6 million secret files of the former East German State Security police, know as Stasi.

The two governments agreed Tuesday to an additional clause in the unification treaty which allows individuals to see the data the Stasi compiled about them.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Gold futures closed 280 to 310 points higher Thursday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	386.70	....	....	389.10	386.00
Oct	387.50	389.80	386.40	389.70	386.80
Dec	392.30	394.30	390.70	394.20	391.40
Feb	396.30	396.40	396.00	398.50	395.70
Apr	400.40	402.10	400.00	402.50	399.70
Jun	403.80	403.80	403.80	406.80	404.00
Aug	408.70	....	....	410.80	408.00
Oct	413.40	....	....	415.60	412.70
Dec	418.30	418.30	418.30	420.10	417.20
Feb	422.80	....	....	425.00	422.10
Apr	427.40	....	....	429.60	426.70
Jun	432.40	....	....	434.60	431.70

Open interest: 111,937 off 1,054.

Estimated sales: 21,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 6 to 9 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	11.03	11.15	11.03	11.14	11.05
Mar	10.67	10.72	10.65	10.69	10.62
May	10.66	10.71	10.65	10.69	10.60
Jly	10.67	10.71	10.67	10.68	10.61
Oct	10.75	10.75	10.71	10.72	10.66

Estimated sales: 11,671 contracts

Open interest: 111,417 up 1,027

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.21

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday 2 points higher to 3 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.11	23.11	23.03	23.09	23.11
Jan	22.90	23.00	22.90	22.97	23.00
Mar	22.95	23.00	22.95	22.96	22.95
May	23.02	23.04	23.02	23.03	23.06
Jly	23.06	23.08	23.06	23.08	23.06
Sep	23.06	23.06	23.06	23.06	23.09

Nov 22.87 22.87 22.86 22.87 22.88
Estimated sales: 283 contracts
Open interest: 10,846 up 53

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - The Trump Shuttle, severely hit by soaring fuel prices, is no longer profitable and no longer for sale, the Trump Organization said Thursday.

''The Trump Shuttle is doing well in a very bad market, but it is not turning a profit because of soaring oil prices and we are no longer looking for a buyer because the market is not existant,'' said Steven Bollenbach, chief financial officer of the Trump Organization.

''What airline would want to buy the Shuttle in the current situation when nobody knows where the oil prices are going to go to?'' he added.

Bollenbach said the Trump Shuttle was still attracting more than 50 percent of the Northeast corridor traffic between Boston, New York and Washington, due to what he described as ''its better service,'' in a direct reference to its sole competitor, the Pan Am Shuttle.

''The Trump Shuttle is not turning a profit because of the fuel prices and because of the recession affecting the Northeast which is affecting traffic,'' Bollenbach said.

Jet fuel prices have surged about 40 percent since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, and passenger traffic in the Northeast dropped by about 16 percent during the same period, according to airline industry statistics.

Both shuttles have been on the market for most of the year but they have failed to attract a buyer.

Bollenbach confirmed that financially-troubled developer Donald Trump, who bought the shuttle only a year ago, had not been able to make this week a $1.1 million payment in interests on a $245 million loan to finance the Shuttle acquisiton.

''The loan is not in default, since we are now covered by the grace period,'' Bollenbach said.

According to banking regulations, borrowers who fail to meet payments on a loan in time benefit from a grace period, usually 10 days, before a default technically occurs, which could lead to Trump losing control over the shuttle.

''Donald Trump met yesterday with Citibank executives to discuss restructuring

the loan and we are very hopeful an agreement can be reached, it went very well,'' Bollenbach said. ''Another meeting is to take place next week with other banks in the lending group led by Citibank, we are hopeful.''

Trump bought the shuttle from Eastern Airlines last year for $380 million in a virtually no-cash acquisition. Many airline industry analysts at the time said Trump had paid too much for the shuttle.

Trump also owes another $135 million for the airline, in a loan part of a $1.4 billion debt which the developer renegotiated three months ago with the banks when his casino empire threatened to collapse.

Citibank, a division of Citicorp and the largest bank in the United States, has long been Trump's main lender.

Citibank, however, does not have this time a high level of exposure in the $245 million shuttle loan, and other, larger lenders might be less eager to give the high-stake developer more time and money.

Citibank is owed only $8.3 million, while two Japanese banks, Fuji Bank and Mitsubishi Trust, are the key lenders, with loans of $32.4 million and $23.7 million respectively.

While Bollenbach expressed confidence in Trump's ability to once again plead with the banks, he expressed little confidence in the future profitability of the shuttle for as long as oil prices remain volatile, an unpredictable factor expected to be on the lenders' mind when they meet next week.

The average profitability rate in the U.S. airline industry is a low 4 percent a margin vulnerable to any surge in costs.

Pan Am Corp. said Wednesday it would have to lay off 2,500 employees or 8.5 percent of its work force by next month, because its main carrier, Pan American World Airways Inc. was severely hit by higher fuel costs and declining passenger traffic.

Pan Am, which recently said its shuttle was turning a small profit, is still hoping to find a buyer for the commuter airline. The Pan Am Shuttle's estimated pricetag, before the Iraqi crisis, was in the $300- million range, according to airline analysts.

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CASTEL GANDOLFO, ITALY (SEPT. 20) UPI - Former President Ronald Reagan, on the second day of a visit to Rome, had a private audience with Pope John Paul II Thursday at the papal summer palace, the Vatican announced.

Reagan was accompanied to the 30-minute meeting in the pope's library by his wife, Nancy, and several aides. At the end of the audience, the pope said goodbye to Reagan with the words, ''God bless America,'' the Vatican said.

Vatican spokesmen gave no further details, but Vatican sources said Reagan probably told the pope of his favorable impressions of changes in the Soviet Union, which he visited for five days before coming to Rome Wednesday on the latest stage of his private tour of Europe.

During talks followed by a lunch with Italian President Francesco Cossiga and Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti at the presidential Quirinal Palace Wednesday, Reagan said he was particularly impressed with the ''greater freedom'' in Soviet society and the commitment of the Soviet leadership in its advance toward a market economy.

It was the fifth time Reagan has met Pope John Paul II, but the first time since his two-term presidency expired in 1989.

The previous meetings took place in June 1982 in the Vatican, in May 1984 in Fairbanks, Alaska, where he greeted the pope during a fueling stopover on a papal visit to Asia, in June 1987 in the Vatican, and in September 1987 in Miami, during the pope's second tour of the United States.

The former president's current visit to Rome has drawn little attention from the Italian media, with most newspapers restricting coverage to a photograph of Reagan and his wife meeting dignitaries, accompanied by a brief caption.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

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NYSE Stocks - Sharply lower in light trading.

Bonds - Mostly lower.

American Stocks - Sharply lower in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed sharply lower in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in moderate trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1/2 to 1 1/2, soybeans down 1/2 to 3 1/2, wheat off 1/2 to 2 1/2 and oats down 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 cents.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says his country is prepared to withstand U-N economic sanctions for several years. In a published interview with a former Turkish prime minister, a former news reporter, Hussein adds- ''We believe we are in a position to harm the United States, in case of war.'' .

Saddam Hussein says he wants to go before the American people to express his view of the Persian Gulf crisis. The Iraqi president announced through aides today that he has videotaped a response to a speech by President Bush that was aired on Iraqi television last weekend.

The Olympic Council of Asia today voted to bar Iraq from the Asian Games and to suspend Iraq from the council itself. The vote comes amid threats of an Arab boycott if Iraq is allowed to participate. The council also is angry about the death of its president, a member of the Kuwaiti royal family, who was killed during Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Sources at Cape Canaveral say NASA is likely to delay a fifth launch attempt of the shuttle Columbia until late November. The space agency is preparing for the October 5th launch of the shuttle Discovery on a high- priority mission to deploy the Ulysses solar probe into space.

The government says it will spend about two-point-six-BILLION dollars in federal disaster aid to help victims of Hurricane Hugo. The hurricane caused widespread destruction when it stormed across the Carolinas and the Caribbean last year. About 725-Million dollars will go for family grants and housing assistance.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Congressional investigators say businesses routinely skirt money- laundering laws that require cash transactions involving more than 10-thousand dollars to be reported to the Internal Revenue Service. They say the businesses will connive with customers who want to evade taxes in order to make big cash sales.

It appears as if drug cartels in Colombia are trying to pressure recently elected President Cesar Gaviria into negotiations. Police say the recent

kidnapping of three prominent Colombians may be part of a cartel plan to get Gaviria to hold talks with the drug lords. The kidnappings are the first crisis of his two- month-old government.

A Boston man who was acquitted in the rape and murder of his infant daughter six years ago was sentenced today to 10 years in prison for smuggling marijuana. Ralph Richard was convicted in June of being part of an interstate drug ring that smuggled as much as 10-thousand pounds of marijuana at a time.

Senior leaders of the African National Congress and the rival Zulu Inkatha movement have held their first high-level meeting in more than a decade. The South African groups got together last night in Durban for secret ''exploratory'' talks aimed at ending the bloody rivalry that has claimed more than 750 lives.

West Germany's foreign minister today opened a parliamentary debate on a unification treaty with a promise that Germany would never repeat the atrocities of Nazism. The foreign minister says German unification will be an investment in a European future. The treaty is expected to be ratified later today.

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LONDON (SEPT. 20) UPI - Trading in shares of the British conglomerate Polly Peck International PLC was suspended when the company requested a halt to dealings after its shares tumbled by $2.55 to $2.04 a share on the London International Stock Exchange in a matter of hours, a company spokesman announced Thursday.

The moves came at a time of increasing speculation over dealings in the company's shares. Numerous rumors regarding Polly Peck circulated through the London market, but none was substantiated.

The spectacular fall in price wiped $1.09 billion off the firm's market value - as well as $310.2 million from the personal wealth of the chairman and founder, Asil Nadir.

Although an announcement on the trading suspension was promised by Polly Peck officials, a company spokeswoman later said no statement would be made Thursday.

Problems started in the company last month, when Nadir said he wanted to take Polly Peck out of the open market and back into family ownership.

His sudden turnabout prompted the stock exchange to send a critical report on his actions to the Serious Fraud Office and the Department of Trade and Industry for failing to follow proper procedures.

Analysts said this lead to speculation over dealings in Polly Peck shares.

Earlier in the day, detectives from the Serious Fraud Office executed a search warrant on the premises of a company that apparently has connections with the Nadir family.

Polly Peck started as an East London rag trade company and, under Nadir's stewardship, rose to the status of an international conglomerate. The company owns Del Monte foods and a large electronics division.

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#90263u1434 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - Patients who suffer from a mood disorder that causes a severe case of the ''winter blues'' appear to react abnormally to light, British researchers reported Thursday.

The findings offer new evidence patients with Seasonal Affective Disorder, or SAD, have a biological abnormality that affects how they respond to seasonal changes and are not simply suffering from psychological problems.

''It's very gratifying to realize that what they have been suffering from all these years has solid biological underpinning,'' said Dr. Norman Rosenthal of the National Institute of Mental Health in Bethesda, Md. ''This kind of thing should settle any kind of lingering skepticism.''

Researchers are uncertain how the sensitivity is related to SAD but the findings should help scientists get a better understanding of the disorder.

''It's another step towards the cause and better treatment. But a comprehensive understanding is still a long way off,'' Rosenthal said.

The condition, first described in 1984, causes victims to experience often debilitating symptoms of depression in the fall and winter. The symptoms usually disappear in the spring and summer.

Up to 6 percent of the adult U.S. population may suffer from SAD and ''more than twice that number have a milder version which is commonly known as the winter blues,'' Rosenthal said.

Although the cause remains unknown, researchers have found many patients seemed to improve through therapy that includes being exposed to certain types of light at certain times of the day.

Previous research has found other physiological abnormalities in patients suffering from SAD, indicating the condition has a biological basis, Rosenthal said.

In the latest research, published in the British medical journal The Lancet, Dr. C. Thompson of the University of Southampton in England and colleagues compared how 12 SAD patients and 11 normal people reacted to light during different times.

By measuring the levels of a substance, known as melatonin, secreted by the pineal gland in the brain, the researchers found the SAD patients appeared to more sensitive to light in the winter and less sensitive to light in the summer than the normal patients.

''This abnormality related to season and light strengthens the view that SAD is a light-determined disorder rather than simply a psychological response to seasonal changes (an extreme dislike of the winter),'' the researchers wrote.

The researchers speculated the abnormality may stem from a malfunction involving part of the brain known as the suprachiasmatic nucleus, which is involved in regulating the biological rythmns. But more research is need to explore that hypothesis, the researchers said.

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#90263u1436 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (SEPT. 20) UPI - Rebels launched a new series of attacks on military installations and El Salvador's power system, and the army increased patrols in the city and countryside, the armed forces said.

A spokesman for the armed forces said rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, attacked a police academy Wednesday night in La Libertad province, some 20 miles south of the capital. One soldier was wounded.

Rebels also attacked National Police posts in the town of Nueva Concepcion, Chalatenango province, 35 miles north of San Salvador, leaving one rebel and one soldier dead, the spokesman said.

The army has increased ground and air patrols to prevent expected rebel attacks. ''The patrols also include meticulous searches of cars and pedestrians,'' he said.

An electric company spokesman said electricity would be cut in San Salvador by six percent because of FMLN bombing of three primary transmission towers.

Rebels also bombed several smaller electrical transmission posts in the capital Wednesday evening. The city suffered a black-out for most of the night.

Local radio station YSU quoted FMLN commander Ana Guadalupe Martinez as saying ''The war in El Salvador continues,'' after no agreements to end the decade-old civil war were reached at the last round of peace talks that ended

this week in Costa Rica.

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#90263u1439 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 20) UPI - The United Bank of Philadelphia received charter approval Thursday from the Pennsylvania Department of Banking, helping to pave the way for a planned winter opening of the black-controlled commercial bank.

The bank, whose organizers' already have raised more than half of the $5 million capital requirement, will be Pennsylvania's first black-controlled commercial bank since the Philadelphia-based Citizens and Southern Bank closed in 1956.

There currently are 36 black-controlled commercial banks nationwide. With the charter approval, the bank's organizers may now begin selling common stock in United.

"We have an aggressive capital development plan, the support of the city's business and financial leaders and a community that's anxious to have its own financial institution," said Emma C. Chappell, who will serve as the bank's chairwoman.

United's organizers include corporate investors such as Meridian Bancorp, First Pennsylvania Bank, Mellon Bank, Provident Mutual Life Insurance Co., Provident Mutual Bank and Continental Bank.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.11

60 to 89 days 7.97

90 to 119 days 7.91

120 to 149 days 7.92

150 to 179 days 7.85

180 to 270 days 7.80

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.07 - 7.85

Issuers 30 days 8.04

Issuers 90 days 7.72

Issuers 270 days 7.47

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.05

60 to 89 days 8.14

90 to 119 days 8.12

120 to 149 days 8.15

150 to 179 days 8.15

180 days 8.15

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.125 - 8.25

1 month 8.125 - 8.25

3 month 8.125 - 8.25

6 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

Year 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.39 - 7.37

6 months 7.34 - 7.32

Year 7.29 - 7.27

Federal Funds: High 8 1/8, Low 8 1-16, Close 8 1/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7.922 up 0.035.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90263u1445 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 20) UPI - NASA will delay a fifth launch try for the leaky shuttle Columbia until at least late November, after the Oct. 5 launch of the shuttle Discovery and after a flight by the shuttle Atlantis around Nov. 7, NASA announced Thursday.

Space agency officials also are debating the possibility of delaying another fueling test for Columbia until after Discovery's takeoff because of problems obtaining a fuel line valve to replace one that malfunctioned during Columbia's aborted fueling Monday.

''Both Discovery and Atlantis are operational orbiters with no known or suspected defects,'' said William Lenoir, NASA's associate administrator for space flight. ''Our highest priority is going to be to resume flights with Discovery and Atlantis as scheduled.''

He said a new launch date for Columbia will not be set until after its hydrogen leak is found and fixed.

''Columbia is grounded. The highest priority in working on Columbia is to find the leak, fix same and verify that they're fixed,'' he said. ''Then and only then will we look at returning to flight.''

Columbia was grounded Monday when explosive hydrogen began building up in the shuttle's engine compartment. Later, during a series of tests, a fuel line valve leading to main engine No. 2 refused to close properly on command, a failure that likely would have delayed launch regardless of any leakage.

A replacement valve from the shuttle Endeavour cannot be delivered to the Kennedy Space Center until Sept. 28. Given Discovery's planned Oct. 5 launch target, it is unlikely a fueling test can be conducted with Columbia until after its sistership is off pad 39B.

In any case, Columbia's 10-day astronomy mission is now on the back burner for NASA, with agency managers giving priority to launching Discovery and then Atlantis, which was grounded in July by yet another hydrogen leak. To keep that flight on track, engineers plan to remove a critical hydraulic power unit from Columbia later this week for installation aboard Atlantis.

Because of technical issues involving Atlantis's secret military payload, sources say, Atlantis must be launched from pad 39A. Given NASA's current priorities, here is a preliminary schedule of upcoming launch activity:

-Oct. 5: Discovery is launched on a high-priority mission to carry the European-built Ulysses probe into space for a five-year voyage over the poles of the sun. Lenoir ruled out a fueling test for Discovery, saying ''Discovery has no history of any hydrogen leak problems.''

-Oct. 7: Columbia is moved from launch pad 39A to nearby pad 39B for an exhaustive series of fueling tests to pin down the source of the crippling hydrogen leaks that have grounded the ship since May 30.

-Oct. 9: Atlantis is hauled from the Vehicle Assembly Building to pad 39A for a fueling test and preparations for launch on a classified military mission.

-Nov. 7: Atlantis, carrying a top-secret military satellite payload, is launched on the year's fifth shuttle flight.

-Nov. 28: Columbia finally takes off on its long-delayed ''Astro-1'' astronomy mission, a full six months after the first of the ship's four previous launch delays.

NASA originally planned nine shuttle flights in 1990, but if this preliminary schedule holds up, only six missions will make it off the ground.

Columbia's most recent delay came Monday night when explosive hydrogen gas began building up in the ship's engine room during fueling for a Tuesday launch attempt.

A team of independent NASA engineers was formed to track down the leak and determine what will be required to fix it. In the meantime, shuttle program manager Robert Crippen announced earlier this week that NASA will proceed with plans to launch Discovery Oct. 5.

Columbia originally was scheduled for launch May 30, but the flight was grounded the night before when sensors detected hydrogen gas spewing into the ship's engine compartment. A subsequent test led engineers to suspect problems with a massive 17-inch-wide ''disconnect'' fitting.

Columbia then was hauled off the pad and back to its hangar for repairs while

NASA proceeded with plans to launch Atlantis in mid July. But Atlantis was grounded when a fueling test found yet another leak.

Engineers now believe both Columbia and Atlantis fell victim to damaged seals inside the disconnect fittings, which allow the shuttle's external tank to be jettisoned in space. In Atlantis's case, the problem appeared to involve the part of the disconnect assembly attached to the external tank.

But in Columbia's case, engineers believe, at least one more leak was present all along that had nothing to do with the disconnect fitting. It was that leak or leaks, that grounded Columbia Sept. 5 and again on Monday.

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#90263u1467 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 20) UPI - Rep. John G. Rowland, the Republican candidate for governor, has driven with an expired Connecticut license for 16 months but plans to renew it ''at the first opportunity,'' a spokesman said Thursday.

The 33-year-old congressman acknowledged he had been breaking traffic laws, but contended the state Department of Motor Vehicles never sent him a renewal notice - a claim the agency denied.

Campaign spokesman Jack Goldberg said Rowland was scheduled to return from Washington late Thursday afternoon and would renew the license ''when he gets a chance, at the first opportunity.''

Rowland's license expired in May 1989, but the fact he failed to renew it was not publicly known until The Hartford Courant checked motor vehicle records after receiving an anonymous tip.

Rowland suggested the tip came from a state worker angry over his campaign proposals that state employee unions accept a pay freeze and other concessions to cut Connecticut's deficit.

''This is what happens when you have the courage to take on the state employees,'' Rowland told the Courant. ''These things will pop up.''

Driving without a valid license is an infraction that carries a $58 fine, although a motorist must be caught driving to be charged, said Andrew Nelson, spokesman for the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Nelson said DMV records showed a renewal notice had been sent to Rowland in May 1989.

Rowland will have to pay $31 to renew his license, Nelson said.

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#90263u1474 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	60 3-8	unch	
AT&T Company	30 3-8	off	1-2
BCE Inc	31	off	1-4
Bell Atlantic	45 5-8	up	1-4
BellSouth Corp	51 1-2	up	1-8
Exxon Corp	51 1-8	off	1-8
Ford Motor Co	33 3-4	off 1	
Genl Electric	x55	off	5-8
General Motors	36 7-8	off	5-8
GTE Corp	25 1-8	off	1-8
IBM Corp	107 3-4	off	5-8
Mobil Oil Corp	65 7-8	off 1	1-4
Nynex Corp	70 1-2	off 1	1-4
Pac Gas & Elec	20 5-8	off	1-8
Pacific Telesis	41 7-8	up	1-4
Phila Electric	15 1-8	unch	
Sears Roebuck	26 3-8	off	3-4
Southern Co	23 1-2	off	1-8
Sthwestern Bell	48 1-4	off	1-2
US West Inc	34	off	1-2

x-ex-dividend.

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#90263u1479 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2518.32	off 39.11
20 Trans	879.99	off 8.32
15 Utils	200.33	off 1.19
65 Stocks	882.65	off 10.81

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#90263u1485 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1088.5
Wednesday	1082.3
Week ago	1092.1
Month ago	1127.3
Year ago	1100.0
1990 High	1209.9

1990 Low 1055.2

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#90263u1490 09/20/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - Bush administration officials are consulting with congressional leaders on an arms sale package to Saudi Arabia to meet additional needs in the Persian Gulf crisis, a White House aide said Thursday.

The Saudi proposal is not expected to be submitted to Congress until the administration has a better picture of what would be acceptable and the aide, who asked not to be identified, said that although ''no decision has been made '' the cost would be ''significant.''

''Clearly we have additional needs and some people have suggested different packages,'' the aide said.

One of the administration proposals called for a $20 billion sale of new weaponry to the Saudi government, a price tag questioned in a statement Thursday by Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif.

''Several of us suggested to the administration yesterday that the sale should be separated in two parts,'' Cranston said. ''The part first submitted for our consideration should be those weapons that can be gotten to the Saudis immediately.''

Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger told the House Appropriations foreign operations subcommittee the exact composition of the arms sales is now being worked out in consultation with members of Congress.

Undersecretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz was lobbying Congress on what some lawmakers say would be the single largest arms transfer in American history.

Through the years several administrations have promised to keep Israel's arsenal qualitatively advantageous. Israel has requested a new $1 billion arms package.

Included in the proposed Saudi package would be F-15 jets and Apache helicopters that would take several years to deliver. In addition weapons sought for immediate use include TOW anti-tank missiles and launchers; M-1 battle tanks, Bradley Fighting Vehicles and naval command and control systems.

Cranston and other past opponents of arms sales to Persian Gulf countries have indicated they will not try to block the entire deal, but could be expected to challenge parts of it.

In his statement Cranston said the United States should ''give the Saudis the weapons they have requested provided it is demonstrably clear that they need

them to defend against Iraqi agression and that they can assimilate them into their small armed forces.''

But the California Democrat said he would introduce legislation requiring that sophisticated weapons such as Patriot anti-aircraft missiles and F-15 aircraft be leased, instead of sold, to the Saudis.

A spokesman for the Saudi government, Fred Dutton, a Washington consultant, rejected the leasing arrangement. ''These arms are going to be purchased. The only question is where,'' he said, adding, ''We want to be on the record about this.''

Dutton's statement was a reference to past episodes when the Saudis, blocked by Congress from buying U.S. planes or equipment, turned to other countries for weapons. For example, in 1988 the Saudis purchased $10 billion worth of aircraft from British firms after being turned down by the United States in a bid to buy McDonnell Douglas F-15s.

Cranston said his proposal would require the Saudis to pay for the weapons and keep them until the United States determines the current crisis is over.

''The proliferation of U.S. arms in the gulf raises concerns about the possibility of arms falling into hostile hands during some future crisis and being used against our own fighting forces or our allies. Our concern is not hypothetical,'' Cranston said.

''Considerable weaponry now in the hands of Saddam Hussein was made in the United States. We sold it to the shah of Iran and Saddam Hussein captured it during the Iran-Iraq War. ... When he invaded Kuwait, Saddam captured still more U.S. weapons,'' Cranston said.

''By leasing rather than selling weapons outright, we still could expeditiously provide the sophisticated weapons the Saudis truly need and yet retain control over the weapons' ultimate disposition.''

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#90263u1492 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Thursday	2518.32	off	39.11	879.99	off	8.32	200.33	off	1.19
Wednesday	2557.43	off	13.86	888.31	off	13.13	201.52	up	1.00
Week ago	2582.67	off	43.07	898.11	off	10.54	200.08	off	1.63
Month ago	2483.42	off	76.73	861.31	off	33.03	191.71	off	5.10
Year ago	2680.28	off	3.61	1465.86	up	8.53	216.30	off	1.13

1990 High	2999.75	1212.77	236.23
1990 Low	2483.42	861.31	190.96
1989 High	2791.41	1532.01	235.98
1989 Low	2144.64	887.94	181.84

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#90263u1495 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.29	up 0.03
10 Public Utils	90.41	up 0.01
10 Industrials	88.18	up 0.05

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#90263u1519 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, AK (SEPT. 20) UPI - State election officials Thursday sanctioned a mad scramble by candidates for governor to rearrange the November ballot in a game of political musical chairs that tore apart the Alaska Republican Party and brought an attempt at White House intervention.

Political maverick Walter Hickel jumped into the race for governor as an independent at the last minute, stealing the Republican Party lieutenant governor nominee for a running mate in a surprise move that split the party.

But the unorthodox political maneuvering was done according to the rules for making changes on the ballot, said Linda Edgeworth, spokeswoman for the state Division of Elections.

Hickel, 71, one-time Alaska governor and a former U.S. Interior secretary fired by President Nixon, becomes a wild card, transforming a tight race between liberal Democrat Tony Knowles and moderate Republican Arliss Sturgulewski into a three-way free-for-all with Hickel as the conservative.

Alaska Independence Party leader Joe Vogler helped engineer the political coup that threw the Republican Party into turmoil - destroying the ticket created by the August primary election and putting one of Alaska's best-known Republican personalities onto the ballot as the candidate of a stridently independent third party.

Hickel characterized the surprise move as ''a spontaneous revolution.''

Alaska conservatives - stung by defeat in the primary - made no secret of the fact they were looking for ways to resurrect their views before the voters, but they pulled it off like a sneak attack.

Hickel filed for governor one hour before Wednesday's 5 p.m. deadline for ballot changes in the Nov. 6 election - without telling Sturgulewski that he took her running mate, Jack Coghill, as his own.

Sturgulewski learned what had happened in time to recruit a new running mate 10 minutes before the deadline, selecting Jim Campbell, the businessman she edged out in the Republican primary.

The little-known Alaskan Independence Party nominees quit the race for governor, paving the way for the Hickel candidacy and almost leaving the Republican Party without a lieutenant governor candidate. Hickel changed his party registration from Republican to Alaskan Independence Party.

When word of Hickel's intentions reached Washington, White House chief of staff John Sununu called Alaska late Wednesday seeking to stop the renegade Republicans from defecting. President Bush was scheduled to hold an Oct. 9 fund-raiser in Washington, D.C., for the Sturgulewski- Coghill ticket.

''John Sununu called,'' Hickel said. ''He didn't call to congratulate me. He was trying to discourage me.''

Elected governor in 1966, Hickel quit midway through his term when President Nixon appointed him Interior secretary. Less than two years later, with Vietnam War protests rocking the country, Hickel suggested the president listen to American youth and Nixon fired him.

Back in Alaska, Hickel tried to get his old job back, and when he was defeated in the Republican primary, he waged a write-in campaign that once won him enough votes to come in second - ahead of the Democrat.

In 1984, Hickel supported Tony Knowles for mayor of Anchorage, the Democrat now running for governor. In 1986, Hickel ran for governor in the Republican primary, but Sturgulewski defeated him in a campaign marked by her criticism of him for campaigning for a multibillion-dollar trans-Alaska natural gas pipeline while he was chairman of Yukon Pacific Corp., the company seeking to build the line, a position Hickel still holds.

Hickel's move split conservative and moderate factions of state GOP and pleased the Democrats, but former party chairman Jim Crawford said Hickel and Coghill ''represent the fringe right wing of the party'' and left Sturgulewski solidly in the middle.

Mainstream Republicans called the move ''traitorous'' and Coghill acknowledged that it was ''traumatic.''

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#90263u1524 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2539.11	2549.01	2495.54	2518.32	off 39.11
20 Trans	884.06	889.61	867.97	879.99	off 8.32
15 Utils	201.08	201.84	198.88	200.33	off 1.19
65 Stock	888.40	892.39	873.88	882.65	off 10.81

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	21,114,600	22,901,100
Trans	2,273,800	2,826,900
Utils	2,643,500	2,890,900
65 Stock	26,031,900	28,618,900

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.29	up 0.03
10 Public Utils	90.41	up 0.01
10 Industrials	88.18	up 0.05

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 131.48 off 0.18.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	171.22	off 2.69
ASE Market Value Index	317.18	off 1.79
Dow-Jones Industrial	2518.32	off 39.11

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#90263u1536 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks -	12,390,000 shares
1990 to date -	2,530,142,745
Bonds -	$1,700,000
1990 to date -	$518,078,000

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#90263u1540 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks -	145,100,000 shares
1990 to date -	28,677,546,822
Warrants -	906,900

1990 to date - 181,107,700

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#90263u1543 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Thursday - $32,190,000

1990 to date - $8,088,856,000

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#90263u1544 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	317.18	off	1.79
High Technology	309.53	off	4.12
Capital Goods	339.43	up	0.02
Consumer Goods	373.23	off	3.39
Service	695.44	off	9.41
Retail	961.04	off	20.78
Financial	371.91	off	1.45
Natural Resources	247.71	up	0.59
Housing-Const-Land	338.44	off	1.21

There was a loss of 6 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	405.51	off	0.97
Mid Atlantic	404.03	off	4.28
No Central	414.67	off	4.43
So Atlantic	900.09	off	14.20
So Central	311.01	off	1.76
Mountain	110.63	off	2.82
Pacific	366.70	off	3.47
Foreign	243.13	up	0.27

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#90263u1546 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 20) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Thursday - 8,146,000

1990 to date - 1,827,424,000

The market closed lower.

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#90263u1547 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 318.99, low 316.83, close 317.18, off 1.79.

There was a loss of 6 cents in the average share price.

Volume 12,390,000 shares, compared with 10, 270,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	12
New Lows	65
Advances	154
Declines	383
Unchanged	241
Total Issues	778

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#90263u1574 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

JOHNSTOWN, PA (SEPT. 20) UPI - Elsie Frum, the oldest known survivor of the Great Johnstown Flood, celebrated her 108th birthday Thursday confined to bed but enjoyed her angel food cake. Her daughter graciously handled publicity.

But Frum still recalls the day a train whistle alerted residents that something was wrong upstream. Just last May, on the centennial of the worst flood in U.S. history, she recounted vivid memories of the bodies of victims lying in a church awaiting coffins that were being made by her father.

''She's bedfast now. She broke her hip a year ago,'' said Evelyn Fondelier, 78 who cares for her mother. ''She was quite active before but now her fingers are so gnarled with arthritis. But, oh, to look at her! She takes a beautiful picture - and she's got a good mind.''

Frum was only seven on May 31, 1889, when a great wall of water pushed a churning mass of buildings, railway cars, trees and human bodies down the Little Conemaugh River valley and smashed into the city of Johnstown.

When the flood waters subsided, 2,209 people were dead. Johnstown and neighboring communities were leveled and many victims believed it was the end of the world.

Today, the industrial city of 35,000 65 miles east of Pittsburgh has spruced up its image. The flood became the stuff of legend and visitors to the revamped Johnstown Flood Museum can watch a film on the incident by Academy Award-winning documentary filmmaker Charles Guggenheim.

Frum also keeps those flood pictures in her head but no longer grants interviews. From her bedroom, she watched a local news program and smiled when the anchor wished her a happy birthday. The cake, baked by daughter Margaret Bower, 86, who lives next door, was festively decorated with blue candles.

''She's got lots of flowers and cards, money and nighties,'' Fondelier said. ''Her room's all fixed up with balloons and wreaths.''

Having survived a disaster that became the subject of books and songs and spawned a tourism-based renaissance for the town, Frum often asks her daughter these days why she is still alive.

''She says, 'I don't know why I'm living so long' and I say, 'He's not ready for you yet,'' said Fondelier. ''What answer do you give her? So that's what I say.''

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#90263u1580 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Genl Electric	3,300,300	55 1/8	off 1/2
Pepsi Co	2,637,000	22 3/4	off 5/8
Philip Morris	2,139,400	45	off 1
Waste Managemnt	1,802,700	33 1/8	off 1 1/2
Royal Dutch	1,750,100	81	off 3/8
Exxon Corp	1,741,400	51 1/8	off 1/8
Amer General	1,669,300	32 7/8	off 3/4
Wal-Mart Stores	1,393,600	26 1/8	off 5/8
Limited	1,338,200	14	off 5/8
Chase Manhattan	1,324,100	13 3/4	off 1/8
Eastmn Kodak	1,288,600	41 1/8	off 1
Boeing Co	1,284,100	43 7/8	off 1/8
IBM Corp	1,213,600	107 7/8	off 1/2
Wstnghouse El	1,212,600	27 1/2	off 5/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,148,300	25 1/4	off 1 1/4

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	29.55-29.60	29.30-29.35
North Sea Brent	36.00-36.05	36.10-36.15
West Texas Intermed	34.70-34.75	33.15-33.20
Light Louisiana Sweet	35.45-35.60	32.40-32.50

New York Harbor spot products
(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	92.65-92.90	91.40-91.65
No. 2 Heating oil	90.35-90.60	86.50-86.75

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products
(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	89.65-89.90	88.40-88.65
No. 2 Heating oil	88.65-88.85	85.15-85.40

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	364.43	off	7.25	376.18	467.00
Industrial	390.09	off	8.42	402.14	452.76
Finance	363.44	off	6.52	375.41	556.20
Insurance	431.87	off	3.75	440.13	528.44
Utility	484.34	off	9.41	504.30	737.54
Bank	269.39	off	2.25	275.89	483.07
Transport	397.45	off	9.06	415.46	466.67

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 360.22

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 159.42 off 3.26
Industrial Index 153.90 off 3.41
NASDAQ-100 Index 367.96 off 9.59

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austral	.000175	.000174	5708.00	5747.00
Australia dlr	.8255	.8295	1.2114	1.2055
Austria schill	.0900	.0911	11.11	10.98
Belgium franc-c	.0308	.0311	32.46	32.18
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0131	.0133	76.44	74.98

Britain pound	1.8725	1.8850	.5340	.5305
Britain 1-mo	1.8623	1.8742	.5370	.5336
Britain 3-mo	1.8428	1.8545	.5427	.5392
Britain 6-mo	1.8154	1.8269	.5508	.5474
Canada dollar	.8654	.8636	1.1555	1.1580
Canada 1-mo	.8621	.8601	1.1599	1.1627
Canada 3-mo	.8563	.8542	1.1678	1.1707
Canada 6-mo	.8498	.8477	1.1767	1.1796
Chile peso-f	.003442	.003380	290.50	295.84
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001919	.001921	521.10	520.67
Denmark krne	.1667	.1674	5.9975	5.9725
Ecudr sucre-z	.001190	.001190	840.00	840.00
Egypt pound	.3701	.3701	2.7022	2.7022
Finlnd mrkka	.2676	.2711	3.7370	3.6885
France franc	.1892	.1907	5.2850	5.2450
France 1-mo	.1890	.1904	5.2919	5.2528
France 3-mo	.1883	.1897	5.3106	5.2718
France 6-mo	.1873	.1886	5.3398	5.3030
Greece drach	.006552	.006645	152.63	150.49
Hollnd guildr	.5621	.5658	1.7791	1.7675
HongKong dlr	.1289	.1289	7.7587	7.7590
India rupee	.0558	.0563	17.91	17.76
Indo'sa rupia	.000541	.000539	1849.00	1854.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.6955	1.7109	0.5898	0.5845
Israel shekel	.4975	.4975	2.0100	2.0100
Italy lira	.000850	.000853	1176.75	1173.00
Japan yen	.007265	.007289	137.65	137.20
Japan 1-mo	.007291	.007294	137.15	137.10
Japan 3-mo	.007372	.007305	135.65	136.90
Japan 6-mo	.007399	.007407	135.15	135.00
Jordan dinar	1.5352	1.5375	.6514	.6504
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000347	2884.00	2883.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6184	.6220	1.6171	1.6077
Norway krne	.1642	.1650	6.0900	6.0600
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	428,475	428,475
P'pnes peso-z	.0398	.0406	25.12	24.63
Portugl escud	.007220	.007296	138.51	137.07
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5671	.5663	1.7635	1.7660
S.Africa rand	.3900	.3917	2.5640	2.5530
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010111	.010180	98.90	98.23

Sweden krona	.1726	.1738	5.7930	5.7530
Switzrl franc	.7584	.7666	1.3185	1.3045
Switzrl 1-mo	.7582	.7663	1.3190	1.3050
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7582	.7663	1.3189	1.3049
Switzrl 6-mo	.7565	.7661	1.3219	1.3053
Taiwan dollar	.0372	.0372	26.87	26.87
Turkey lira	.000372	.000374	2687.00	2674.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2730	3.6608	3.6633
Urug'y peso-z	.000985	.000985	1015.00	1015.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0208	.0208	48.04	47.97
W.Ger Mark	.6336	.6367	1.5784	1.5705
W.Ger 1-mo	.6335	.6367	1.5785	1.5706
W.Ger 3-mo	.6333	.6364	1.5791	1.5714
W.Ger 6-mo	.6322	.6350	1.5818	1.5747
Yugosl dinar	.0929	.0940	10.77	10.64

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Captl Cities	460 1/2	off 10 5/8
Potomac El pf	109	off 10 3/8
Kubota Corp	101 1/2	up 8 1/4
Pionr Electric	65 1/2	off 6
Wash Post	223	off 6
Apple Bcp	36 3/8	up 5 1/2
Medtronic Inc	80 1/8	off 3 5/8
Tambrands Inc	80 1/4	off 3 1/2
Gillette Co	51 1/8	off 3 1/2
Honeywell Inc	88 3/4	off 3 3/8
LillyE wt	66 1/4	off 3 1/4

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 20) UPI - The government will not reach its 1990 goal of having 95 percent of Americans who use public water supplies drink fluoridated water to curb tooth decay, officials said Thursday.

Despite strong evidence that water fluoridation reduce dental decay, at least

39 percent of people who use public water supplies do not drink fluoridated water, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control said.

The national objective for dental health was one of 12 for 1990 proposed 10 years ago by federal health officials. The status of six goals were reported in the CDC's Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report.

The government began urging communities nationwide in the early 1950s to enrich their water the fluorine compound. Every major U.S. health organization including the American Medical Association and the American Cancer Society, has endorsed community fluoridation of public drinking water.

But opponents have argued against fluoridation, claiming the substance can cause cancer or contending that fluoride's benefits can be obtained in other ways, such as toothpaste or special applications.

''To me, the unfortunate thing is that by focusing on freedom of choice issues those who don't have access to care and resources are losing out,'' said Dr. Dolores Malvitz,'' author of the CDC report. ''The upper middle classes will find ways to make sure that their children receive fluoride, but with community fluoridation everyone gets ''nit

States with the lowest proportion of the population drinking fluoridated water include California, Hawaii, Nevada, New Jersey and Utah, where traditions of resistance to government intervention are strong.

In those states, between only 2 percent and 18 percent of the population using public water supplies drink water containing the government-recommended amount of fluoride - over 0.7 parts per million.

On the other end of the spectrum are seven states - Connecticut, Georgia, Illinois, Minnesota, Nebraska, Ohio and South Dakota - where fluoridation is required by law and the vast majority of urban dwellers drink fluoridated water.

Some of the largest cities still holding out include Los Angeles, San Diego, San Antonio, Texas, Newark, N.J., Portland, Ore., Honolulu and Salt Lake City

Phoenix, Ariz. and Tampa, Fla., recently began fluoridation.

Dr. Caswell Evans, director of public health programs and services at the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services, said the fluoridation issue was brought up for a vote in the mid-1970s and rejected.

''While there has been interest in fluoridation among several groups, it was not brought back and hasn't gotten back to a level of consideration.''

Malvitz said a study conducted by the National Institute of Environmental

Health Sciences showed some evidence that fluoride caused bone cancer in some male rats.

''The evidence was declared equivocal,'' she said. ''It was not strong enough for them to definitely make the connection.''

The CDC report said another of the 1990 dental health objectives calling for only 60 percent of 9-year-old children to have cavities in their permanent teeth has been met.

The goal to reduce gum inflammation to 20 percent and destructive gum disease to 21 percent in adults was partially met and another goal calling for 95 percent of schoolchildren and parents to be able to identify the major factors of dental disease will likely not be met.

Americans have achieved another goal calling for 75 percent of adults to be aware of the need for thorough personal oral hygiene and regular professional dental care, the CDC said in its Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report.

''We have made progress, but we now need to focus our efforts on the groups of people who still have high levels of disease,'' Malvitz said.

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#90263u1629 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 20) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	8	21	11
New lows	238	136	92

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	284	11,310,900
Declines	1,255	122,565,600
Unchanged	433	11,223,500
Total	1,972	145,100,000

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (SEPT. 20) UPI - Launch of a powerful Air Force Titan 4 rocket carrying a classified military payload has been delayed to Friday at the earliest because of technical problems, sources said Thursday.

Launch originally was planned for Sept. 17, the sources said, but the flight was put off two days to Wednesday give the National Aeronautics and Space Administration a chance to launch the leak-plagued shuttle Columbia from nearby launch pad 39A.

Columbia then was grounded during fuel loading Monday night because of another hydrogen fuel leak, clearing the way for the Air Force to launch the Titan 4 on the rocket's third flight.

But the Titan launch was postponed Wednesday, apparently because of technical problems with the rocket, according to usually reliable sources. Launch was believed to have been rescheduled for no earlier than Friday between midnight and 1:30 a.m. EDT Saturday.

Unlike other military rockets, all Titan 4 launches are conducted in secrecy with no advance warning of launch dates or times. Likewise, the identity of the payloads are classified.

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (SEPT. 20) UPI - The African National Congress, in a major policy decision, called Thursday for talks with rival Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi on ending a wave of urban violence and accused President Frederik de Klerk of ''bad faith'' in his racial reform program.

The ANC stopped short of calling off power-sharing negotiations with the white government and resuming its guerrilla war against minority rule, but said talks with de Klerk were perilously close to collapsing.

The attack on de Klerk - the harshest since the reformist president lifted a 30-year ban on the ANC in February and freed ANC leader Nelson Mandela from 27 years imprisonment - came at the end of a three-day meeting of the ANC's National Executive Committee.

The 36-member NEC, joined by senior trade officials and leaders of other ANC-linked anti-apartheid movements, also decided to encourage supporters in areas affected by ''vigilante violence to organize themselves for the purposes of self-defense.''

In an unexpected development, the policy-making body effectively dropped its long-standing opposition to direct talks between Mandela and Buthelezi by proposing a meeting between the ANC and the leaders of the country's 10 black homelands and self-governing territories.

''In order to get to the root causes of the violence and to secure peace among the people, the extended NEC resolved to convene a meeting with all homeland leaders, including Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, to devise a joint strategy to combat the forces of destabilization and violence,'' it said.

The ANC has consistently rejected a meeting between Mandela and Buthelezi, leader of the Zulu movement Inkatha and chief minister of the self-governing

territory of Kwa Zulu in the Indian Ocean Province of Natal.

Supporters of the ANC and Inkatha, ideologically at odds since the 1970s, have fought a long battle in Natal. More than 4,000 people have died in the province since 1987 and it spread to black townships surrounding Johannesburg early last month. In the ensuing urban violence - the worst in the country's history - more than 750 people were killed.

Since the eruption of violence around Johannesburg, the ANC had until Thursday resisted Buthelezi's demands for direct talks with Mandela and accused Inkatha of plotting the killing in a bid to increase its political leverage in the power-sharing negotiations.

The call for a meeting with Buthelezi came only hours after the ANC and Inkatha announced the highest-level meeting between the two organizations since 1979 had occurred Wednesday in a bid to end the conflict. A joint statement issued in the Indian Ocean port city of Durban as constructive and said another meeting was scheduled for next week.

Despite the fresh overture, the ANC reiterated in its four-page announcement Thursday that it held ''combined forces of elements of the security services and Inkatha vigilantes'' responsible for the wave of violence.

Failure to curb it, the ANC said, ''poses an immediate threat to the entire process of peaceful transition.''

It said the government had adopted a ''laissez faire'' attitude toward the violence and said measures by De Klerk Wednesday to halt the killings were designed ''to abridge the civil liberies of he African populaion.''

''We are obliged to draw the attention of the South African people and the international community to the act of bad faith committed by State President De klerk in his most recent actions,'' the ANC said.

The broadside coincided with the anniversary of De Klerk's first year in power Thursday and came just three days before his departure for Washington and talks on Monday with President Bush.

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#90263u1636 09/20/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 20) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 12
New lows 65

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	154	5,071,300

Declines	383	5,739,000
Unchanged	241	1,579,700
Total	778	12,390,000

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	9.33	9.53	8.97
91-day Treasury bills	7.63	7.63	7.84
182-day Treasury bills	7.70	7.70	7.74
1-year Treasury bills	7.79	7.78	7.71
3-year Treasury notes	8.23	8.23	8.25
7-year Treasury notes	8.77	8.76	8.24
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	9.04	9.02	8.19
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.38	9.38	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.02	10.02	9.20
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.25	9.25	9.17
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.57	9.56	9.19
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.57	9.54	9.36
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.55	9.52	9.34

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	172.78	171.22	171.22	off 2.69
Industrial	216.25	214.07	214.07	off 3.68
Transport	137.12	136.45	136.57	off 1.92
Utility	83.43	83.11	83.24	off 0.45
Finance	117.53	116.05	116.05	off 2.41

Equivalent to a loss of 47 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common

share.

Volume 145,100,000 shares.

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#90263u1659 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Paine Webber wtB	439,300	9 5/8	up 3/4
Denmark K wt	409,400	19 7/8	up 3/4
Salomon pwt Mr93	396,600	5 3/4	up 1/2
Salomon pwt My93	393,800	4 3/8	up 7/8
Fruit of Loom	372,600	8 1/8	off 1/4
Tubos De Acero	352,900	6	up 1/4
Salomon wtJn	349,100	19	up 7/8
ENSCO	345,900	4	up 1/8
Eksport wt	341,000	9 1/2	up 1/2
Bowne & Co	303,400	9 3/8	off 3/8

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#90263u1661 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	76,567,160	40 1/2	off 3
Henley Group	(HENG)	64,620,544	20 1/4	unch
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	43,496,768	59 3/4	off 2 1/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	42,042,092	67 1/2	off 2 3/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	35,258,196	33	off 7/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	30,784,418	31 1/2	off 3/8
Nordstrom	(NOBE)	26,546,618	20 1/2	off 1
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	26,083,762	31 5/8	off 7/8
SciMed Life	(SMLS)	25,269,016	27 3/4	off 1/2
Amgen	(AMGN)	21,956,572	48	off 3/4

Composite Index 159.42 off 3.26

NMS volume 84,395,000 shares.

Advances	406
Declines	1,060
Unchanged	1,344
Total	2,810

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#90263u1666 09/20/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	107,920,000
Advances	498
Declines	1,312
Unchanged	2,442
Total	4,252

-30- 381
#90263u1673 09/20/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	371.66	364.17	364.43	off 7.25
Industrial	397.29	389.57	390.09	off 8.42
Finance	370.06	363.41	363.44	off 6.52
Insurance	435.87	431.09	431.87	off 3.75
Utility	495.05	483.24	484.34	off 9.41
Bank	272.39	268.81	269.39	off 2.25
Transport	405.38	396.76	397.45	off 9.06

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (8-23) 360.22
NASDAQ National Market System indexes
(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	159.42 off 3.26
Industrial Index	153.90 off 3.41
NASDAQ-100 Index	367.96 off 9.59
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.31 off 0.18
Volume	85,395,000 shares
Advances	406
Declines	1,060
Unchanged	1,344
Total	2,810

-30- 1240
#90263u1675 09/20/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - More than 250 prominent scientists signed a petition being sent Friday to the Chinese Embassy backing an international boycott of conferences in China to protest its continuing crackdown on political dissent.

The petition, signed by mathematicians and physicists from at least 11 countries, demanded Beijing provide a complete list of all scientists and students in scientific fields who have been imprisoned since the Tiananmen Square massacre of June 4, 1989.

The appeal, to be delivered to the embassy by messenger on Friday, also demands the ''immediate and unconditional release'' of three campus leaders of last summer's pro-democracy demonstrations.

The petition was organized by Asia Watch and the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Center for Human Rights in New York, which said it was acting at the urging of recently freed Chinese astrophysicist and human rights advocate Fang Lizhi.

Among those signing the appeal were Nobel laureates Christian Anfinsen, David Baltimore and Hans Bethe. Other signers were from Japan, Sweden, Germany, Canada, the Netherlands, Britain, Belgium, Switzerland, France and Italy.

The petition, addressed to Zhou Guang-zhao, president of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, said it welcomed the release of Fang and his wife, who spent more than a year in the U.S. Embassy in Beijing to avoid charges they helped incite the demonstrations.

''But,'' the petition said, ''we cannot remain silent when other colleagues in the People's Republic of China are held captive because of their pursuit of the ideals of truth and free inquiry.''

The signers said they would ''refrain from participation in any international scientific conferences which take place in China, at least until the end of 1990, and we call upon our colleagues in the scientific community to do likewise.''

Kerry Kennedy Cuomo, executive director of the Kennedy Center for Human Rights said the boycott is an extension of one begun in May by about 100 scientists demanding Fang be allowed to leave China.

She said the action was inspired a similar boycott against scientific conferences in the Soviet Union that was waged on behalf of Yuri Orlov, a dissident human rights advocate who was sentenced in 1978 to seven years in a prison camp in Siberia. Orlov was allowed to leave the Soviet Union in October 1986.

Cuomo said she had no definite way of measuring the effect of such a boycott against China, although she said it has been backed by numerous scientific and professional organizations in the United States and other countries, costing China both prestige and access to technology.

''I think that this has an effect on the Chinese government, yes I do,'' she

said.

The three student leaders named in the petition were Chen Mingyuan, a mathematics professor at the Foreign Language Institute in Beijing, Liu Gang, a physics graduate employed at the Beijing Sociology and Economics Institute, and Shao Jiang, a mathematics student and member of the Autonomous Students' Union of Beijing University.

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#90263u1698 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (SEPT. 20) UPI - General Motors Corp. said Thursday it will idle its Willow Run plant in Ypsilanti, Mich., for two weeks starting Sept. 24, and then cut back to alternating two work shifts for four weeks beginning Oct. 8 because of slow sales of the restyled, full-sized Chevrolet Caprice.

GM spokeswoman Kathy Tanner said the plant's 4,300 hourly workers were told about the temporary closings and cutbacks Thursday. "In order to maximize employment during reduced volume, we will alternate shifts on a weekly basis, starting with the afternoon shift working the week of Oct. 8," Tanner said.

The latest cutbacks have nothing to do with the loss of export orders because of Middle East tensions, Tanner said. Willow Run had been closed the weeks of Aug. 13 and Aug. 20 because of a loss of a large order from the Middle East, where the Caprice is popular.

The Willow Run plant also builds the Caprice wagon as well as Oldsmobile's new Custom Cruiser wagon. All three models have been given all-new aerodynamic bodies for 1991, although their rear-drive chassis and 5.0 liter V8 engines are carried over from before.

That plant also is currently preparing to build police and taxi versions of the Caprice sedan and will produce the Buick Roadmaster Estate wagon starting in December, Tanner said.

GM's Arlington, Texas, plant, which also makes Caprice sedans as well as the rear-drive Cadillac Brougham, will continue running on two shifts, Tanner said.

Chevrolet has been hoping to sell about 200,000 Caprices a year, although recent concerns about rising fuel prices because of Mideast tensions may be causing buyers to shy away from large cars with V8 engines. EPA fuel economy estimated range from 17 mpg to 26 mpg for the Caprice sedan, while the wagon versions are rated at between 16 mpg and 25 mpg.

GM's supply of unsold Caprices as of Sept. 10, the latest date available, stood at 99 days, according to industry figures. That is up from 92 days at the end of August, with both above the 65- to 70-day supply considered normal for this time of year.

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#90263u1707 09/20/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 20) UPI - Attorneys for former Lincoln Savings operator Charles H. Keating Jr., jailed on criminal fraud charges and held in lieu of $5 million bail, promised Thursday that Keating won't flee the country if his bail is reduced.

''My client poses no risk of flight,'' said Stephen C. Neal in a bail reduction hearing before Superior Court Judge Gary Klausner. ''He can't defend himself in this matter while incarcerated.''

Neal also offered to surrender Keating's passport to the court.

Keating, 66, accused in a 42-count indictment stemming from the sale of $250 million of now-worthless junk bonds to 23,000 victims, was jailed Tuesday after the indictment was unsealed. He has been held in Los Angeles County Jail since then and has been served chili and macaroni casserole for lunch and chicken patties with gravy for dinner.

One of the victims attending the hearing said outside the courtroom that Keating's bail should not be cut.

''Charlie Keating should stay in jail until the victims get their money back '' said Evangeline Ivy, a retiree from Glendale, Calif., who said she lost her life savings after buying the junk bonds at a Lincoln Savings branch. ''I'm sure he has plenty of money somewhere.''

But authorities are doubtful that any of the money will be recovered. Prosecutors allege that Keating and his three co-defendants headed a scheme that deliberately targeted unsophisticated Lincoln depositors and duped them by not disclosing that the bonds, issued by Lincoln's parent American Continental Corp., were not federally insured.

Klausner said during the two-hour morning hearing that he will probably rule on cutting the bail for Keating, who once had assets of $39 million but claims he is broke, later Thursday afternoon.

Two other attorneys who have worked with Keating, who faces a myriad of civil charges from the collapse of Lincoln, told Klausner that Keating has an unblemished record of court appearances. They also said that Keating was eager to clear his name, which has become symbolic of the excesses of the savings and loan scandals.

''He looks forward to vigorously defending himself,'' Neal told Klausner.

Keating has argued that regulators ruined American Continental, which filed

for bankruptcy the day before Lincoln was seized, by flooding the Arizona real estate market with low-priced property from other failed thrifts.

Defense attorneys, who had expected a $1 million bail for Keating and $50,000 for each of the other defendants, brought a string of relatives and business associates to testify about the defendants' high moral character.

Keating and his co-defendants - Judy Wischer, 42, American Continental's former president; former Lincoln President Ray Fidel, 32, and former Lincoln Chief Executive Officer Robin Symes, 37 - will remain in County Jail until they post bond.

Prosecutors made no recommendations on bail at the arraignment Tuesday, but have since indicated that they may support a bail reduction. On Thursday, they filed a motion to require the defendants to prove that the money they put up for bail must have been obtained legally.

The defendants are to enter pleas before Klausner on Oct. 5. If convicted of six or more counts, each defendant could face up to 10 years in prison.

The indictment is the first criminal case stemming from the collapse of Irvine Calif.-based Lincoln 17 months ago. Lincoln's failure is expected to cost taxpayers more than $2 billion, making it the costliest bailout yet in the massive nationwide savings and loan scandal.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 20) UPI - Findings have implicated another area of the brain in Parkinson's disease, opening a new avenue in the bid to find treatments for the debilitating disorder, researchers said Thursday.

Scientists from Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions in Baltimore said their experiments in monkeys with Parkinson's-like symptoms showed excessive nerve activity in the middle part of the brain appears to play a key role in Parkinson's disease.

Furthermore, when researchers deliberately killed the overactive nerve cells in the brain region, called the subthalamic nucleus, the monkeys experienced a dramatic improvement in limb movement and reductions in tremors and muscle rigidity.

For some time, doctors have known that in Parkinson's patients, cells die off at the base of the brain, in a region called the substantia nigra, which produces a substance called dopamine that is used in upper brain regions that control motor function. Nerve tracts travel from the brain's base to its upper reaches through a complicated circuit that includes the subthalamic nucleus.

But ecently researchers have begun to suspect that the subthalamic nucleus may play a direct role in triggering Parkinson's symptoms.

''We now believe a lot of the problems in Parkinson's happens in a pathway different from what was previously thought. It is a rather significant departure from previous thinking,'' said Dr. Mahlon DeLong, a neurologist who headed the study while at Johns Hopkins.

DeLong, now at Emory University medical school in Atlanta, said the monkey experiments provide ''the first direct proof'' that the subthalamic nucleus may be an important treatment target in Parkinson's.

Parkinson's affects between 500,000 and 1 million Americans. The brain disease causes a progressive loss of muscle control resulting in debilitating trembling, stiffness and loss of balance. Mental functions are usually spared.

Some patients benefit from taking pills containing a form of dopamine, but the pills work for only a limited time.

Reporting in the journal Science, DeLong's team found two ''Parkinsonian'' monkeys, whose brain damange was artificially inflicted by a drug, had more nerve activity in the subthalamic nucleus than normal monkeys.

When acid was injected into half of the subthalamic nucleus to selectively kill overactive nerve cells, tremors on the side of the body controlled by the treated region were ''almost abolished'' and movements ''markedly increased'' to the point the animals could feed and groom themselves, researchers said. The improvements persisted over the three- week study.

But the treatment was not a total cure. Some clumsiness and slowness of movement remained and the monkeys developed uncontrolled movements in limbs controlled by the treated side - a problem that gradually decreased in one animal and eventually disappeared in the other.

Although long-term animal studies are needed before the strategy could be tried in humans, researchers said,:''Our results suggest a potential clinical application for surgical or pharmacological inactivation of the subthalamic nucleus as a treatment for Parkinson's.''

Other recent attempts to treat Parkinson's without drugs have involved implanting tissue from the adrenal gland or aborted fetuses into the brain in hopes of restoring dopamine production.

Dr. Abraham Lieberman, an advisor to the American Parkinson's Disease Association, called the latest findings ''potentially very important.'' But he warned that people stricken by strokes that damage the subthalamic nucleus sometimes suffer bouts of uncontrolled movement so severe they are life-threatening.

Dr. Don Gash, of the University of Rochester medical school in New York, also called the work interesting. However, he questioned whether suddenly disrupting a monkey's brain circuitry with a drug reflects the slow gradual deterioration that occurs in people with Parkinson's.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Stocks closed broadly and sharply lower Thursday in lightly moderate trading as program selling extended losses tied to a surge in oil prices and to anxiety about the economy and interest rates.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which fell 13.86 Wednesday, tumbled 39.11 to close at 2518.32. The close was the lowest point in the Dow's current slide since Aug. 23, when it bottomed out at 2483.42 because of soaring oil prices brought on by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait three weeks earlier.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index slumped 2.69 to 171.22. The price of an average share slid 47 cents. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index skidded 5.12 to 311.48.

Declines thumped advances 1,242-288 among the 1,973 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to about 145,100,000 shares, compared with the 147,530,000 traded Wednesday.

A surge in oil prices, fears about how the economy will fare without an imminent easing of credit policy by the Federal Reserve to bring down interest rates and waves of program selling all were behind Thursday's broad-based sell-off.

The computer-driven selling was not curbed until just before the close, when the Dow industrials hit bottom with a loss of 50 points, triggering the exchange's rule limiting program selling.

Prices opened lower on carryover selling from Wednesday, when Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan, testifying before a Congressional panel, said the surge in oil prices resulting from the Kuwait invasion threatened to push the domestic economy into recession.

But he did not indicate if the Fed was inclined to bolster the sputtering economy with an interest rate cut, saying Fed policy would depend "on the specifics of the situation, which are shifting day by day." Greenspan's remarks disappointed traders, who were hoping for a cut in rates soon.

The early losses were then exacerbated by waves of program selling, used to profit on price differences between stocks and stock-index futures. And with many traders away for the Rosh Hashanah holiday, the market was especially

vulnerable to the computer-driven selling.

Dale Tills, manager of institutional equities trading at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco, said the surge in oil prices only served to add to worries about the prospects for the economy. October oil futures, which expired Thursday, closed up $1.53 a barrel to $34.71, a record for the New York Mercantile Exchange. "It was just a real sick feeling when crude broke above $34 a barrel," said Tills. "Things just don't look good."

Tills also said concerns about municipal economies weighed on the market. Traders dumped MBIA, a municipal bond insurer, for the third straight day amid fears of defaults by issuers of tax-exempt bonds, most notably financially shaky Philadelphia.

And from a technical standpoint, Tills noted that the market is getting dangerously close to lows hit in August: "I think that's going to be the critical test. If we break below that level (2483 in the Dow) I wouldn't be surprised to see 2200."

On the trading floor, General Electric, which paid its quarterly dividend Thursday, was the most active issue, down 1/2 to 55 1/8. Pepsico followed, off 5/8 to 22 3/4. Philip Morris was third, down one to 45.

Other losers in the blue-chip average: AT&T, off 1/4 to 30 1/2; General Motors off 1/2 to 36 7/8; Coca-Cola, off one to 38 3/4; Eastman Kodak, off one to 41 1/8; IBM, off 1/2 to 107 7/8; Merck, off 1 1/8 to 75 3/4; Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing, off 1 5/8 to 77 7/8; Alcoa, off 1 1/2 to 68 3/8; and United Technologies, off 1 1/4 to 46 1/2.

Elsewhere, Apple Bancorp soared 5 1/2 to 36 3/8 after saying it would terminate two trusts if investor Stanley Stahl executed his $38-a-share takeover bid before the bank's annual meeting. Stahl had called for elimination of the trusts, created in response to his bid.

Lawyers for the bank and Stahl were in talks Thursday to discuss procedures for assuring that Stahl's nominees would make up a majority of the board on the completion of his offer. Stahl said he expects to complete the deal by Oct. 1.

MBIA plunged three to 25 1/2 after plummeting almost $7 a share Tuesday and Wednesday. And Computer Factory soared one to 3 1/8 after a $4-a-share bid from Bay Street Group.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 174,763,070 shares, compared with 176,384,940 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex

Market Value index lost 1.79 to 317.18. Declines led advances 382-155 among the 778 issues traded. The price of an average share fell six cents. Composite volume totaled 14,072,600 shares vs. 12,002,000 traded Wednesday. PaineWebber call warrants on Tokyo's Nikkei stock index led the Amex issues, up 3/4 to 9 5/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index tumbled 7.25 to close at 364.43.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Assets of the nation's 524 money market mutual funds rose by $1.72 billion to $408.76 billion in the week ended Wednesday, the Investment Company Institute reported Thursday.

The Washington-based institute said broker-dealer fund assets increased $40.9 million to $165.61 billion, assets of general purpose funds increased $1.05 billion to $144.85 billion and institutional fund assets rose $629.5 million to $98.30 billion.

"With money market fund yields and short-term interest rates fluctuating within very narrow ranges and light activity in the stock market, there was little to justify large-scale changes in assets positions," said Jacob Dreyer, vice president and chief economist at the Institute. "Assets of money market funds rose nonetheless by a substantial amount reflecting investors' basic predilection for safety in times of economic uncertainty."

Mutual fund assets were revised for Sept. 12 to $407.04 billion. The increase reported for Sept. 12 was revised to $497.8 million. The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.46 percent, down from 7.47 percent, and 30-day simple yields fell to 7.47 percent, off from 7.48 percent the previous week. The average maturity of fund portfolios was 46 days down from 47.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money market deposit accounts, 5.89 percent, unchanged; Super-Now accounts, 4.97 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.49 percent, unchanged; 1-year CDs, 7.58 percent, down from 7.59 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.67 percent, down from 7.68; and five-year CDs, 7.80 percent, unchanged.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.25 percent, down from 8.26 percent.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.70 percent, down from 9.71, while the average rate for a 30- year, fixed-rate mortgage also dropped, to 10.01 percent, off from 10.02.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was 12.22 percent, down from 12.23 percent.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 433.86, off 1.76 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - In an expected move, the two German parliaments today ratified a crucial bilateral treaty on their nations' October 3rd unification. The pact settles the legal, financial and technical details of the move.

President Bush signed legislation this past weekend giving him wider powers to dip into the nation's Strategic Petroleum Reserve... but he's resisting pressure to use those powers. Several analysts are calling for Bush to open the taps. .

They say even a modest release of the stockpiled petroleum will calm oil markets and prevent catastrophic price increases that could be triggered by a severe disruption in supplies. Bush is waiting for a clear shortage in petroleum stocks.

The Persian Gulf crisis has also resulted in higher gasoline prices in Europe... as well as other economic effects. European governments are imposing austerity measures, lowering growth productions and giving more thought to using more nuclear energy. .

The situation is exacting a heavy toll on the free-form markets of the newly formed democracies of Eastern Europe. Many of those countries have been forced to use scarce hard currency earnings to pay for higher- priced petroleum driven up by the embargo against Iraq and Kuwait.

Mohawk Indian leaders in Ottawa, Canada, say they are counting on federal politicians to bring a- quote- ''sense of sanity'' to the 10- week-old stand-off between armed soldiers and Mohawks. The politicians return to work next week.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - A banking regulator says the United States could save at least four- BILLION dollars on the savings and loan bail-out by contributing an additional 18-BILLION to 20-BILLION dollars to the rescue attempt during fiscal 1991.

The Washington State Supreme Court ruled today that federal law takes precedence over state law when it comes to toxic shock syndrome warnings on tampon packages.

In Pennsylvania, the Bucks County coroner says he woN'T re-open the investigation into the April 1989 suicide of political activist Abbie Hoffman. Citizens groups called for the inquiry after it was determined that Hoffman took the controversial anti-depressant drug Prozac six weeks before his death.

One young British girl is destined to become a living doll- a Barbie doll. American toy maker Mattel says it's launching a campaign to find a young British girl who is a Barbie-doll look-alike to attend promotional events.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Afffliated Fund 9.14 9.80

Anchor Fund Inv	14.08	14.94
Delaware Mutual	16.58	17.78
Fidelity Fund	16.30	16.30
Investors Mutual	10.70	11.27
Investors Stocks	17.86	18.80
Investors Select	8.23	8.66
IDS Equity Plus	8.77	9.23
Mass Inv Growth	7.92	8.54
Nicholas Fund	3.26	3.26
United Accumulated	6.20	6.78
United Income	16.22	17.73
Vanguard Wellington	15.79	15.79

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - The long-delayed shuttle Columbia mission is being delayed even longer. NASA says it's pushing back a fifth launch attempt of Columbia until at least November. Space agency officials also are considering postponing a refueling test for Columbia until the high-priority Discovery mission blasts off on October 5th. Engineers are trying to find the source of

a hydrogen fuel leak aboard Columbia.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein made some bold claims in an interview published today in a Turkish newspaper . Hussein told Turkey's former Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit that Iraq is prepared to withstand U-N economic sanctions for several years. The Iraqi leader also said he feels his army's in a position to harm the United States. Hussein said his nation fought Iran for eight years and could fight for at least five more.

A White House aide wishing to remain anonymous says the Bush administration is consulting congressisonal leaders on an arms sale package to Saudi Arabia. The aide says the deal is being sought to meet additional needs in the Persian Gulf. The aide points out that the proposal is NOT expected to be submitted to Congress until the administration has a better idea of what would be acceptable. The aide says the cost would be significant.

The Trump Organization says the Trump Shuttle is NO longer for sale because there's NO longer a market for it. The group's chief financial officer says the shuttle doesn't turn a profit now because of soaring oil prices... effectively eliminating any buyers. But the Trump official says the shuttle is doing well in a bad market... attracting more than 50 percent of the Northeast corridor traffic between Boston, New York and Washington.

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#90263u1868 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 20) UPI - The Salvadoran armed forces says leftist rebels are launching a new series of attacks against military installations and El Salvador's electrical power system. A spokesman for the armed forces says the renewed fighting left one rebel and one soldier dead. The latest round of peace talks between the Salvadoran government and the rebels ended this week with NO agreements.

A 45-hundred-pound Indian rhinoceros is getting the boot- literally. Zookeepers at Miami's Metrozoo say the 21-year-old male rhino has been fitted for a 12-pound protective rubber bootie by the Pirelli Armstrong Tire Company, which uses a rhino as its mascot. Zoo officials say the rhino has a severely infected foot that needs to stay out of mud and dirt in order to heal.

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(SEPT 20) UPI -Snow mixed with rain fell over the higher elevations of western Wyoming Thursday but it quickly melted as the weather warmed up.

Elsewhere, the National Weather Service posted a flood warning over the Devils River in southern Texas. Up to 4 inches of rain doused the area, raising the threat of flooding by Friday.

A flood watch was posted Thursday for portions of south-central Texas andheavy rain during the early morning closed highways near Loma Alta.

Rainshowers and thunderstorms also fell over portions of Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas and Missouri. Showers extended over the southern half of the Florida peninsula and parts of Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, North Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

The low temperature for the nation early Thursday was 25 degrees at Truckee, Calif.

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#90263u1987 09/20/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 20) UPI - The two German parliaments today ratified a bilateral treaty which settles the final details of German re-unfication, set for October 3rd. The action followed re-assurances from the West German government to its neighbors and allies that it will never repeat the atrocities of Nazism. West German Foreign Minister Hans Dietrich-Genscher says re-unification will be ''an investment'' in Europe's future.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein wants to go on American television to tell his side of the Persian Gulf crisis. Iraq's ambassador to Washington today relayed the request to Assistant Secretary of State John Kelly. But the State Department says Kelly responded by telling the Iraqi ambassador the U-S government is ''NOT a marketing agent.''

In another example of international outrage toward Iraq, the Olympic Council of Asia today barred Iraq from the quadrennial Asian Games. The council also suspended Iraq from the council itself. The move comes amid threats of an Arab boycott and anger over the death of the council's president, a member of the Kuwaiti royal family. He was killed by Iraq troops during the invasion of Kuwait.

The head of the International Monetary Fund says the I-M-F is considering asking nations that are benefiting from rising oil prices to help those countries most hurt by the Persian Gulf crisis. Oil prices have soared to more than 30-dollars a barrel and contributed to increased inflation and slowed economic output in much of the oil- dependent industrialized and developing world.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Air Force authorities today are searching for the cause of an FC jet crash that claimed the life of its pilot. The dead pilot was identified as 41-year-old Lieutenant Colonel Barry Franklin Bost, of Myrtle

Beach. Bost's plane went down last night in a remote South Carolina swamp near the town of Estill during a routine training mission.

Mohawk leaders in Canada say they hope federal lawmakers can bring a ''sense of sanity'' to the 10-week stand-off between armed soldiers and the Indians. Mohawk negotiators says the 30 militant Mohawks barricaded in a drug treatment center on a reservation south of Montreal will try to hang on until next week, when the politicians return from a three- month break. The stand-off was sparked by a land dispute.

One of the nation's top banking regulators told a Senate committee today that the government could easily save at least four-BILLION dollars on the savings industry bailout. William Seidman says if the Resolution Trust Company gets an additional 18- to 20-BILLION dollars in fiscal 1991, it should use the money to prepay promissory notes. The company is selling the assets of failed thrifts.

Pennsylvania's Bucks County coroner says the book is closed on the death of Abbie Hoffman. Several citizens groups want to re-open the investigation of Hoffman's suicide after learning that Hoffman took the controversial anti-depressant drug Prozac... which has been found to cause suicidal thoughts. But coroner Dr. Thomas Rosko says that does NOT change the fact that Hoffman took his own life.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 20) UPI - Business expectations of higher fourth-quarter sales and profits have dropped to their lowest level in more than seven years, according to a survey released Thursday.

The outlook was particularly gloomy among manufacturers, whose expections for gains in sales, profits and new orders fell sharply, said The Dun & Bradstreet Corp. quarterly survey of 1,500 business executives.

''Business optimism is currently at the lowest levels since the recession period of 1982,'' said Joseph W. Duncan, corporate economist and chief statistician for D&B.

''The survey was conducted shortly after the invasion of Kuwait, so the results may have been exaggerated by the high levels of anxiety immediately following the takeover,'' he noted. ''The bottom line is that - until further data become available - the outlook for a recession remains uncertain.''

Retailers' expectations for gains in fourth-quarter sales increased slightly compared with the third-quarter, D&B said.

''While retailers expect a slight increase in fourth-quarter sales compared

with the third quarter, expectations remain at very low levels, '' said Duncan. ''In fact, retailers reported a sharp decline in the previous survey.''

The survey was conducted of 1,500 executives nationwide in manufacturing, retailing and wholesaling between Aug. 12 and 30.

Optimism about sales dropped to its lowest level since the first quarter of 1983, with manufacturers posting the steepest decline.

Optimism among employees dropped to its lowest level in almost eight years, the survey showed.

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BELLEVUE, Wash. (SEPT. 20) UPI - Conservative elements in Japan may be using the Middle East crisis to turn the defeated World War II nation into a military power again, but the move will fail because most Japanese would oppose the idea, three visiting Japanese citizens said Thursday.

They said right-wing factions in the ruling Liberal Democratic Party contend that in addition to financial support being lent to the international effort to impose economic sanctions on Iraq, Japan should modify its constitution in order to send its defensive forces to the troubled Persian Gulf region.

''The rightists might take advantage of this because they are feeling very confident now'' due to Japan's economic successes of the past decade, said Nozomu Nakaoka, senior reporter and deputy manager of Toyo Keizai Inc. (The Oriental Economist Inc.).

''The problem (of sending troops) is sentimental,'' he said. ''Should we bleed our own blood? Some Japanese are ready to do that.''

But Nakaoka said those supporting such a move are in the extreme minority in Japan. As a people, he said, ''We are not as sentimental about war as you (Americans).''

He said other Asian nations, still with fresh memories of Japan's invasions of World War II, would not accept a renewed military role for the island nation, nor would Japanese who remember the war.

Yet, he said, the Japanese are sensitive to international criticism that they are not doing enough to counter the threat by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, and such criticism could add fuel to the militarists' goals.

Japan initially decided to contribute $20 billion toward the effort, but when criticized for doing too little doubled the amount to $40 billion.

Nakaoka appeared along with Nobuyuki Ueda, an economist with Long- Term Credit Bank of Japan, and Seiichiro Yonekura, a professor of business history at Hitotsubashi University in Tokyo, in a series of forums this week around Washington state and will later travel to Philadelphia and Boston on a trip sponsored by the Japan-American Society.

Both Ueda and Yonekura agreed with Nakaoka that sending Japanese troops would be the wrong thing to do.

For one thing, Article 9 of Japan's constitution, which was adopted after Japan was defeated in World War II, expressly forbids any kind of military force other than for defensive purposes.

Ueda said some conservatives are trying to get around that by passing a law to allow Japan's defense forces to join the United Nations-backed forces in the Middle East by contending those forces are purely defensive.

''They are very keen to take advantage of this opportunity to set up a special role for the government to sent troops overseas, but I don't think this is a good idea,'' Ueda said.

He said the vast majority of Japanese are opposed to changing the constitution and believe that international disputes should be settled through negotation and alliances with existing military powers.

Ueda pointed out that Japan is not as economically vulnerable as the United States to skyrocketing oil prices resulting from the crisis. Even though Japan gets 70 percent of its oil from the Middle East, its economy as a whole is not as dependent on petroleum, he said.

However, he said, Japan would suffer in the long run from higher inflation and interest rates and that is why the Japanese are willing to contribute $40 billion to the effort - an amount he said could be borne by the Japanese without too much trouble.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

BASKETBALL

Reggie Miller of the Indianapolis Pacers will become a restricted free agent next summer if he doesn't reach an agreement with the team by Oct. 4. The star forward, who will earns $650,000 in the final year of his contract, said that he will break off negotiations if the matter is not settled before training camp opens next month. ... The Sacramento Kings signed Anthony Bonner to a three-year contract. Bonner, a 6-foot-8 small forward from St. Louis

University, is the third of the Kings' four 1990 first-round draft picks to join the club. ... Louis Orr, a former star forward at Syracuse University who went on to play eight seasons in the NBA, signed on as as an assistant at Xavier University in Cincinnati. For Orr, 32, it will be his first American coaching job after assisting coach Pete Gillen this summer in Japan.

BOXING

Britain's WBO world middleweight champion Nigel Benn will put his title on the line in a Nov. 18 bout in Birmingham, England against fellow-countryman Chris Eubank. Benn has stated that Eubank is the man he most detests, while Eubank - who is unbeaten in 23 professional fights - accuses his arch-rival of being ''petrified'' of meeting him in the ring.

FOOTBALL

The NFL formed the ''Teacher Award Program'', designed to provide grants and scholarships in recognition of teachers who provided a positive influence upon NFL players in elementary and secondary schools. Each honored teacher, selected from September through December through nominations by NFL players, will receive a $2,500 grant. ... The Atlanta Falcons waived quarterback Gilbert Renfroe again and re-signed defensive back William Evers. Renfroe was released last week in similar circumstances and Evers was waived Monday to make room on the 47-man roster for Renfroe.

GOLF

President George Bush was named an honorary member of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews. Bush, only the ninth person to receive the honor, is the grandson of George Herbert Walker, the man who donated the Walker Cup in 1922 for the biennial amateur golf competition between the U.S., Britain and Ireland. ... Ronan Rafferty defeated Seve Ballesteros 8 to 6 on the opening day of the $658,000 Suntory World Matchplay Championship in Wentworth, England. Wayne Grady, Chip Beck and Mark McNulty also earned first-round victories.

HOCKEY

The New York Rangers signed goaltenders Bob Froese and Mark Laforest and center Kevin Miller to new contracts. Of the three, only the 31-year old Froese (5-7-1, 3.33 GGA) spent all of last season with the club. Last season, Laforest played for the Toronto Maple Leafs and Miller skated with both the Rangers and their IHL affiliate Flint Spirits. ... In its final game of the Soviet Union Friendship Tour, the Minnesota North Stars lost 5-0 to Sokol Kiev dropping their record on the exhibition tour to 1-3.

OLYMPICS

Venezuelan Flor Isava Fonseca, a participant in equestrian events at the 1956 Olympics, became the first woman executive board member on the International Olympic Committee. The 69-year-old Fonseca, who was elected as an IOC member in 1981, was elected to the post at the committee's meeting in Tokyo. ... The 600-member House of Delegates of U.S. Aquatic Sports, the governing body for U.S. swimming, is expected to approve Indianapolis as the site for the U.S. Olympic swimming trials for the 1992 Summer Games at Barcelona, Spain. The vote, which appears to be only a formality, will take place Saturday in Pittsburgh.

SKIING

Gusting winds forced officials to postpone both the men's and women's super-giant slalom races for the second straight day at the Pan American Winter Games in Las Lenas, Argentina. With three feet of snow postponing Wednesday's action, the latest decision forced officials to schedule two days of competition for Friday.

SOCCER

Gerard Gili, who was demoted to club trainer after the arrival of West German World Cup champion coach Franz Beckenbauer, has quit French soccer League champion club Olympique Marseille. Beckenbauer was signed earlier this month by club president Bernard Tapie as technical director.

TRACK AND FIELD

Olympic and Commonwealth 3,000-meter steeplechase champion Julius Kariuki and Kenya national 1,500-meter record-holder Wilfred Kirochi have been left off the Kenyan squad headed for the African track and field championship in Cairo early next month. An official from the Kenya Amateur Athletic Association said they were dropped from the 35-member team because both were fatigued from participating in the IAAF-Mobil Grand Prix series.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

California - Signed Manager Doug Rader to 2-year contract extension through 1992.

Cleveland - Rehired pitching coach Mark Wiley, hitting coach Jose Morales, third- base coach Rich Dauer, first-base coach Mike Hargrove, bullpen coach Luis Isaac and coaching assistant Billy Williams.

Montreal - Appointed Eddie Haas major- league scout; reassigned scout Greg Zunino.

BASKETBALL

Sacramento - Signed forward Anthony Bonner to 3-year contract.

COLLEGE

NCAA - Placed Florida's football and basketball programs on 2-year probation, barring the school from 1990 bowl play and ordering the return of money earned in 1988 NCAA basketball tournament.

Xavier (Ohio) - Named Louis Orr assistant basketball coach.

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Waived quarterback Gilbert Renfroe; signed defensive back William Evers.

NFL - Banned Detroit cornerback Terry Taylor for substance abuse, with option to apply for readmission in a year.

San Diego - Released running back Jerry Mays and signed wide receiver Ron Heard.

World League of American Football - Named Vince Casey director of information.

HOCKEY

Hartford - Signed left wing Mikael Andersson to a multi-year contract; released forwards Mark Vachon, David Flanagan and Dan Shea and defensemen Rob White and Mike Cavanaugh.

NY Rangers - Signed goaltenders Bob Froese and Mark Laforest and center Kevin Miller to new contracts; assigned the following to Binghamton: goaltenders Craig Barnett, Scott Brower and Sam St. Laurent; defensemen Kord Cernich, Todd Charlesworth, Murray Duval, Peter Fiorentino, Eric Germain, Mike Hurlbut, Rob Krauss and Peter Laviolette; and forwards Martin Bergeron, Bob Bodak, Chris Cichocki, Ross Fitzpatrick, Mike Golden, Daniel Lacroix, Joe Paterson, Greg Spenrath and Soren True.

OLYMPICS

International Olympic Committee - Voted Flor Isava Fonseca and Marc Holder to executive board; named Kevan Gosper one of board's four vice presidents.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 21) UPI - An attorney specializing in ''lemon-law'' filed a $1 billion class-action suit Thursday in state court against General Motors Corp., alleging that the automaker does not honor its customer warranties.

''General Motors is easily the worst of the Big Three in terms of covering warranties,'' said attorney Norman Taylor in an interview. ''They fight customers tooth-and-nail over this.''

Taylor said the suit, which alleges that GM is violating the state and federal ''lemon laws,'' could affect as many as 60,000 customers, with $300 million sought in refunds. Damages could surpass $1 billion, he said.

GM spokesman Bill Ott said the company has not yet seen the suit, filed in Los Angeles Superior Court. But he said the company has held discussions about the suit with Taylor prior to the filing.

''We believe the allegations are totallly without merit,'' Ott said. ''We will defend this lawsuit vigorously.''

Ott said that GM has increased its commitment to serving customers in recent years.

''Our No. 1 priority is total customer satisfaction,'' Ott said. ''The automobile business is fiercely competitive around the world now, so there is no incentive for any company to wilfully decieve its customers.''

The suit alleges that the arbitration process is ''fraudulently rigged'' against customers.

The suit includes allegations derived from two cases involving customers who bought a GM car. One involved a Pontiac Fiero, while the other was an Oldsmobile Cutlass station wagon.

The Fiero owner, Verna Webster of Los Angeles, alleged that she had to replace the clutch four times in less than 30,000 miles. Following a jury trial that ended in March 1989, she was awarded a refund.

Taylor said the jury in that case also found that GM had wilfully violated the lemon law.

In the Cutlass case, an arbitrator awarded Steve and Jane Hernandez of Palmdale, Calif., a refund and a $7,000 penalty because of the car's front-end problems, Taylor said.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - With the United Nations considering a complete air embargo against Iraq, that nation today faced a ban in a new arena. Iraqi athletes have been barred from competing in the Asian Games, beginning this weekend in Beijing.

Charles Keating's lawyers said today he is deep in debt following the collapse of his Lincoln Savings and Loan and that there's NO way he can raise the five-Million-dollar bail in his fraud case. But, in spite of the lawyers' arguments, Keating remains in a Los Angeles jail.

The African National Congress has dropped its opposition to direct talks between Nelson Mandela and Zulu leader Magosuthu Buthelezi in a attempt to halt tribal violence. The A-N-C also accuses President Frederik de Klerk of ''bad faith.''

Nicaragua's government and the opposition Sandinistas remain at odds. President Chamorro called a national dialogue today in an attempt to reach an agreement on reviving the economy. But more than 200 Sandinista workers stormed the convention center were the talks were taking place.

Salvadoran rebels have gone on the offensive after the most recent round of peace talks produced NO progress. Rebel forces targeted police stations and utility towers in attacks last night, leaving at least one rebel and one soldier dead.

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Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani is preparing to travel to the United States next week. He'll meet with President Bush and lobby Congress in an attempt to avert a proposed cut in U-S military aid.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Tamil rebels stormed through a fishing village in northern Sri Lanka last night, killing at least 40 people. The Tamil separatist group the Liberation Tigers is being blamed for the attack.

The European Community says its trade deficit with Japan is NOT improving as much as it appears to be. E-C officials point out that Japanese purchases of art masterpieces are in part responsible for the shrinking trade gap.

The troubled shuttle Columbia is NOT going anywhere until at least late November. New fuel leaks scrapped Columbia's launch this week, and it now makes way for high-priority missions by Discovery next month and Atlantis in early November.

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Technical problems have also forced a delay in the launch of a Titan- 4 rocket carrying a top-secret military payload. The Titan-4 launch is now set for tomorrow- at the earliest.

The Alaskan gubernatorial campaign is making the Iditarod sled-dog race look tame. Election officials are re-working the November ballot after former governor Walter Hickel announced his 11th- hour independent candidacy, in the process stealing the Republican candidate for lieutenant governor.

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Republican nominee John Rowland is NOT in the driver's seat in the Connecticut gubernatorial campaign. The U-S representative admits he's been driving for 16 months on an expired license.

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(SEPT. 20) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein wants an audience before the U-S public. Saddam announced through aides today that he has taped a reply to President Bush's speech on Iraqi television, and he wants it broadcast on U-S T-V. The Iraqi ambassador to Washington relayed the message to the State Department... but was told the U-S government is ''NOT a marketing agent.'' The tape will be made available to U-S networks.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says the United States can either continue its embargo against his nation or find a reason to launch an attack. But Saddam says his nation will be ready in either case. The Iraqi leader told a Turkish newspaper that Baghdad could withstand economic sanctions for several years. He also said Iraq was in a position to harm the United States if they go to war.

Colombian President Cesar Gaviria is facing his first crisis with the recent kidnapping of three people. Police say the abductions may be part of a cocaine cartel plan to pressure the government into negotiations. Gaviria was inaugurated last month, hoping that he would be able to end a war between the government and the powerful Medellin drug cartel.

Mohawk Indian leaders in Ottawa, Canada, say they are waiting for federal politicians to return to work next week in hopes that they will help resolve a 10-week-old stand-off between the Mohawks and armed soldiers. The conflict, which so far has NOT been settled through talks, centers on a land dispute. The Indians say there will be loss of life if the soldiers storm their barricades.

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BOULDER, CO (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Carl Thompson Associates has been retained by these companies for the following services:

For national investor relations, EFI Electronics Corp. (Salt Lake City, Utah), Innovet Inc. (Boca Raton, Fla.), Xsirius Superconductivity (Scottsdale, Ariz.) High Plains Corp. (Wichita, Kan.), JB's Restaurants Inc. (Salt Lake City, Utah), Gull Laboratories Inc. (Salt Lake City, Utah), Rocky Mountain Helicopters Inc. (Provo, Utah) and the Xplor Corp. (Denver).

For public relations, marketing and advertising programs, Paradygm Science and Technologies Inc. (Boulder, Colo.), Access Graphics (Boulder, Colo.), Precision Visuals Inc. (Boulder, Colo.), Grease Monkey International (Denver) and Wall Street Central Inc. (Mesa, Ariz.).

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JOHNSON CITY, TENN. (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:HFET) Friday announced the resignation of William L. Jenkins from its board of directors and the boards of directors of its subsidiaries, including Home Federal Savings and Loan Association of Upper East Tennessee, effective Sept. 12, 1990.

Jenkins, an attorney in Rogersville, Tenn., was recently elected to serve as a Circuit Judge in the Third Judicial District of Tennessee and, therefore, was required to resign under the Code of Judicial Conduct.

Commenting on the resignation, Vance W. Cheek, chairman and chief executive officer of Home Financial Corp., said, ''We deeply regret Mr. Jenkins' resignation after more than ten years of service to our company. He has served Home Financial and Home Federal with great distinction and commitment. We wish him success in his new judicial duties.''

Home Financial Corp. is a holding company for Home Federal Savings and Loan Association of Upper East Tennessee, which is the leading financial institution headquartered in the region. Federally chartered in 1934, the association operates nineteen offices strategically located throughout the area. Home Financial's common shares trade on the NASDAQ National Market

System under the symbol HFET.

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#90264b0016 09/21/1990 ~Business Wire
NASHVILLE, TENN. (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - First American Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:FATN) announced that its principal subsidiary, First American National Bank, has entered into an agreement with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency under which the bank committed to maintain at and after Dec. 31, 1990, a total risk-based capital ratio of no less than 8.25 percent and a leverage ratio of ''Tier 1'' capital to total assets of no less than 4.5 percent.

At June 30, 1990, the bank exceeded both of these ratios. The bank, which is currently not paying a dividend, also agreed not to pay future dividends if the Comptroller should object.

Under the agreement, the bank and its board additionally will review and take measures -- a number of which already are underway -- to strengthen the bank's lending, credit review and credit administration procedures.

Among the areas being addressed are problem loan identification, insider lending procedures, non-accrual loan policies, real estate appraisal, credit concentration procedures and loan loss reserve methodology. The bank's board also will take steps to ensure that the bank has strong management and an effective performance evaluation process.

James F. Smith Jr., the bank's current chairman and chief executive officer, observed: ''Our objective is the same as the regulators -- to ensure the long-term sound, disciplined and prudent operation of the bank. We are moving forward with this objective foremost in our minds, and we intend to promptly and vigorously address the concerns of the regulators.''

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Parallan Computer Inc. Friday announced the appointment of William B. Patton Jr. as chairman of the board of directors and chief executive officer.

Patton brings extensive computer industry marketing, sales and senior executive management experience to the OS/2 network server company. Patton

most recently spent over four years at MAI Basic Four Inc. (MBF), where he was president and chief executive officer. During his time with the company, Patton successfully engineered a turnaround at MBF which resulted in a return to profitability while also doubling revenues to almost $450 million.

Prior to that, Patton was president and chief executive officer of Cado Systems Corp. and executive vice president of Ampex International Corp. He started his career at Honeywell Inc. where he held various senior and executive management positions during his 17-year tenure.

''I am pleased to be joining Parallan at a very exciting time when they are preparing themselves for a successful product introduction within the client/server marketplace,'' said Patton. ''I see this company's products as the most appropriate and compelling for customers with network computing needs using the OS/2 platform.''

''Bill rounds out Parallan's executive management team with experience that complements the company's corporate goals,'' commented Charlie Bass, Parallan's co-founder and chairman of the executive committee of the board of directors.

Parallan Computer Inc. designs and manufactures full-function, high-performance OS/2-based servers for use in client-server computing. The company will market and support these systems worldwide through its direct sales and support organizations, complementing its efforts with selected systems integrators and other partners. Parallan's products address customer requirements for accessing large, distributed applications from networked PCs running DOS, Windows or OS/2.

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ALBUQUERQUE, NM (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Diagnostek Inc. (NYSE:DXK) announced Friday the closing of Diagnostek's acquisition of the prescription drug mail service business of Rite Aid Corp. for approximately 385,000 shares of Diagnostek common stock valued at $5 million.

In the transaction, Diagnostek's mail service subsidiary, Health Care Services Inc. (''HCS'') acquired Rite Aid's $13.5 million in mail order revenue contracts. As part of the transaction,Diagnostek will be permitted to purchase pharmaceuticals through Rite Aid, utilizing the leverage of Rite Aid's $1 billion in annual pharmaceutical purchases.

In addition Diagnostek announced the commencement of trading of its common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on Sept. 20, 1990. Nunzio P. DeSantis, chairman of the board said, ''As previously announced, we believe our move to the NYSE will increase our visibility in the investment community and enhance market price stability.''

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - VLSI Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:VLSI), has split its design technology group out of its Application-Specific Integrated Circuit (ASIC) division in a move that will enable the company to increase its focus on and enhance sales of its leadership software.

VLSI's software ''tools'' are used in the design of ASICs and application-specific standard products (ASSPs).

Heading the new unit will be Dieter Mezger, who is currently senior vice president of VLSI's European operations, based in Munich, Germany. Mezger will continue in his current duties of managing the European operation. He will report to James R. Fiebiger, president and chief operating officer in San Jose.

Mezger joined VLSI in 1984 as the first European employee and president and general manager responsible for starting the company's business in Europe.

Today, the organization consists of employees based in Germany, England, France and Italy, including a software research and development center in Sophia Antipolis, France. European business accounts for approximately 20 percent of VLSI's total revenues.

Alfred J. Stein, chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''Dieter Mezger's outstanding success in growing our European business into a major continental presence and significant portion of our international revenues make him an ideal candidate to start this new business thrust for us.

''The combination of his nearly 25 years' experience in engineering, sales, marketing, plus his ability to develop and manage a highly successful business will enable us to launch the software division with the impetus all new businesses require.''

Commenting on the new division, Fiebiger, president and chief operating

officer, said: ''This organizational change allows us to emphasize the software segment of our business and increase our general market visibility. We believe that we will be able to improve our product development cycles and demonstrate even better service to customers.

''We believe that our software tools are unique because they can operate as a stand-alone system or in conjunction with most generic computer-automated engineering (CAE) software, and they have the support of VLSI's manufacturing capability, as well. VLSI's tools and libraries cover the full range of design tasks from synthesis and silicon compilation to place-and-route and test-program generation.

''It is the historical strength of VLSI's tools that have enabled the company to define the state of the art and take a leadership position in the design of complex cell-based ICs and gate arrays. The VLSI ASIC Synthesizer, introduced earlier this year, established a new benchmark for sophistication in synthesis technology.''

As a result of this change, Douglas G. Fairbairn, senior vice president of Corporate Strategy and Development, will be free to concentrate on broader strategic issues for the company. Fairbairn will report to Stein in his new post.

VLSI Technology Inc. produces application-specific integrated circuits, application-specific standard products, and the software used in the design of these products. The company, which is based in San Jose, has approximately 2,000 employees worldwide.

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FORT WAYNE, IN (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Tokheim Corp. (NYSE:TOK) Friday reported sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Aug. 31.

Sales for the third quarter were $52.1 million. Sales for the comparable period in 1989 of $59.9 million, included a $6.0 million shipment to the Republic of China (Taiwan). Third quarter net earnings were $1.1 million, vs. year-ago net earnings of $2.2 million. Primary earnings per share were 10 cents, compared to 31 cents per share reported in the third quarter of 1989.

For the 1990 nine-month period, sales were $159.4 million, up from sales of $159.1 million during the like period last year. Net earnings were $4.6 million, 31 percent above net earnings of $3.5 million for the like period last year. Primary earnings per share were 50 cents, vs. the 51 cents per

share reported in the 1989 nine-month period.

In addition to the $6.0 million sale to Taiwan, the prior nine-month period included $4.7 million of sales by Tokheim's subsidiary, Sunbelt Hose and Petroleum Equipment Inc. (Sunbelt) vs. this year's $1.3 million recorded prior to the sale of Sunbelt's assets in February 1990.

Tokheim Corp. is principally engaged in the design and manufacture of electronic petroleum marketing systems, including service station equipment, point-of-sale control systems, and card-activated transaction systems. The company also designs and produces process control automation systems for the gas, oil, food and chemical industries. Through a subsidiary, it is engaged in the design and manufacture of solid-state time delay and time and temperature control devices. Through an affiliate, the company is involved in the design and manufacture of underground storage tank monitoring systems.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Kaneb Services Inc. Friday announced that its previously reported proposal to reclassify its outstanding Adjustable Rate Cumulative Class A Preferred Stock had received the required consents of the holders of such series and had become effective.

The reclassification, among other changes, splits each outstanding share of the old preferred stock into 10 shares of the reclassified preferred stock and increases the dividend rate thereon by 2 percentage points.

The company also announced that, immediately prior to the reclassification, the board of directors had declared a special dividend from arrearages on all shares of the old preferred stock of $1.00 per share (equivalent to 10 cents per share of the reclassified preferred stock). Immediately after the reclassification, the board of directors declared the regular dividend on the reclassified preferred stock for the third quarter of 1990. The amount of such dividend for such quarter is $0.26625 per share. Both such dividend payments are payable on Sept. 30, 1990, to holders of record as of Sept. 30, 1990.

The terms of the reclassified preferred stock include a special redemption option pursuant to which holders thereof may present their shares to the company for redemption during the period commencing Oct. 1, 1990, and ended Oct. 29, 1990. The company will mail to all holders of the stock a disclosure statement and letter of transmittal with respect to such option.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The Department of Justice and the United States Attorney for Nebraska Friday announced that Dale Electronics Inc. pled guilty to criminal charges of submitting false statements and will pay criminal and civil fines of $3.7 million.

Dale pled guilty to three criminal counts of submitting false statements in United States District Court in Omaha and will pay $1.05 million in criminal fines. The company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Vishay Intertechnology, Malvern, Pa., also agreed to pay $2.56 million to settle civil charges under the False Claims Act.

Dale will also pay $167,255 to cover the government's investigative expenses.

Dale was charged with falsely certifying that some of the electronic resistors it sold to the Department of Defense (DOD) met or exceeded government specifications when in fact they did not.

In a joint statement, Stuart M. Gerson, assistant attorney general for the Civil Division, and Ron Lahners, U.S. Attorney for Nebraska, said, ''This case is another example of our continuing commitment to eradicate fraud perpetrated by defense contractors. We will continue to zealously pursue these types of cases to ensure that in a time of shrinking military expenditures, the government gets all of what it pays for.''

An investigation by the Defense Criminal Investigative Service disclosed that on three separate occasions, between September 1985 and February 1986, Dale (which was not then owned by Vishay) failed to report that some of its resistors had not met DOD performance specifications. Dale also failed to disclose to DOD that other military contractors using its resistors had reported resistor test failures.

By relying on Dale's claims that its resistors were not responsible for the testing failures and that they were most likely caused by the contractors' own testing procedures, the contractors incurred more than $2 million in additional testing costs. These additional testing expenses were charged back to the government.

Friday's settlement follows the resolution of administrative claims against Dale pursued by DOD. As part of that settlement, Dale agreed to pay $801,594.78, representing $369,233.22 earmarked for repurchase of defective resistors in DOD's inventory and $432,361.56 as administrative costs.

Last January, six former Dale employees were debarred by the Defense Logistics Agency for their roles in submitting the false certifications.

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STEVENS POINT, WI (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - First Financial Corp. (NASDAQ, NMS:FFHC) Friday announced that its major subsidiary, First Financial Bank FSB has acquired all of the deposits and part of the assets of the Peoria/Provident Division of Great American Savings and Loan Association F.A.

Headquartered in Oak Park, Ill., Great American had approximately $76 million in deposits and three offices in the Peoria area. The deposits were acquired for a premium of about $2.1 million, or 3.1 percent of core deposits, from the Resolution Trust Corp., the federal agency which has been operating Great American.

First Financial has agreed to purchase part of Great American's assets and has an option to purchase certain other assets related to the Peoria offices.

Approximately one month ago First Financial acquired Security Federal Savings with six offices in the Peoria area. All Peoria offices of Security Federal and Great American Federal will be branches of First Financial Bank.

''We are very excited to welcome the Great American customers and employees to First Financial. This second acquisition fills in our branch system in the Peoria area and broadens our customer base,'' said John C. Seramur, president and chief executive officer of First Financial. ''We are delighted to be a part of the Peoria area and look forward to providing the very best in financial services to consumers in this major market,'' added Seramur.

This recent acquisition increases First Financial Bank's position in Illinois to 19 offices and over $700 million in deposits since the first of the year. Overall the bank now has 84 offices in 64 communities in Illinois and Wisconsin.

A consumer-oriented bank, First Financial specializes in providing financing for homes and offers a variety of investment alternatives for their customers. They also operate their own credit card division and are heavily involved in home equity and student lending. The company currently employs approximately 1,500 people.

As of June 30, the holding company, First Financial Corp., reported net worth of $143 million, or 4.82 percent of assets. Mid-year earnings for the corporation were $7.4 million, or $1.28 per share. Of this total net income,

core earnings amounted to $7.1 million, or $1.24 per share, a company record.

This performance is on track with internal expectations and projections of industry analysts. Analysts predict the company will continue its strong performance throughout the rest of 1990 and into 1991. Both of the holding company's banking subsidiaries exceed all current federal regulatory capital requirements.

''First Financial offers Peoria and the Tri-County area a very stable place to bank. We are an exceptionally strong company dedicated to continue strength and stability,'' Seramur concluded.

First Financial Corp. is the holding company for First Financial Bank FSB and First Financial-Port Savings Bank, a Port Washington, Wis. subsidiary. The corporation has $3.2 billion in assets and operates 88 banking offices in Illinois and Wisconsin.

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SAN RAFAEL, CA (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix American Inc. (NASDAQ:PHXA) reported net income of $3,806,000 for the year ended June 30, compared with $4,134,000 for the previous fiscal year.

Earnings per share increased to 81 cents from 70 cents a year ago. Earnings for 1989 reflected adoption of the new accounting standard for income taxes, which resulted in a one-time adjustment which increased net income by $1,657,000.

The San Rafael-based company organizes and manages limited partnerships which invest in leased high technology equipment. It also owns and operates several small- to mid-sized cable television systems. Other subsidiary interest include telecommunications, computer maintenance and lease portfolio management services.

Gus Constantin, Phoenix chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''Our earnings growth has been steady throughout all areas of our business interests. Our financial and operational conditions are sound, and augur well for our sustained growth and long term profitability.''

Phoenix American is the parent of Phoenix Leasing Inc., Phoenix Securities Inc., Phoenix Cable Inc., Phoenix Venture Inc. and Phoenix Systems Exchange Inc.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Great Western Bank Friday announced that it has concluded a definitive agreement with the federal Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC) to acquire the 27 Florida branches and $870 million in retail deposits of City Savings Bank.

The transaction closed Friday.

The City Savings offices will be closed Saturday and repoen Monday, staffed with the former City Savings' employees.

The acquisition of these deposits, located in Palm Beach and Broward counties, strengthens Great Western's position as the largest deposit franchise of any savings institution in Florida.

Great Western will acquire the City Savings Bank branches and deposits for a premium of $9.75 million, or 1.25 percent of RTC-defined core deposits.

''Great Western continues to build its position in Florida, one of the most attractive retail banking markets in the United States,'' said James F. Montgomery, chairman and chief executive. ''This transaction will be especially helpful in strengthening our presence in the Palm Beach marketplace.''

With the City Savings-Florida acquisition, Great Western Bank will have approximately $6 billion in retail deposits and 146 retail banking branches statewide. This includes the $2.2 billion in deposits Great Western recently acquired from CenTrust in Miami, the $700 million in deposits from Gibraltar-Florida on the west coast of Florida and $700 million in deposits from Carteret Savings in South Florida, which Great Western has also agreed to purchase.

In addition, Great Western Bank operates 23 home loan offices in Florida and is one of the state's leading real estate lenders.

The immediate use of the cash that Great Western will receive from the RTC for assuming the liabilities of City Savings will be to retire higher cost debt.

Beverly Hills-based Great Western Bank is the principal subsidiary of Great Western Financial Corp. Great Western, with assets of more than $40 billion, is one of the nation's leading residential mortgage lenders and operates 1,000 mortgage lending, retail banking and consumer finance offices nationwide.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Boole & Babbage Inc. (NASDAQ:BOOL) announced Friday that Richard A.D. Vincent has been appointed vice president of marketing.

Vincent will be responsible for worldwide tactical marketing (both communications and strategies) for the systems software company.

Vincent was previously general manager for Boole & Babbage Europe's U.K. office in London, where he was responsible for integrating recently acquired Avant-Garde Computing into Boole & Babbage and for achieving significant gains in penetration of Boole & Babbage products within British blue-chip companies.

Prior to joining Boole & Babbage, Vincent was vice president of marketing and international sales for XA Systems, an applications development software company in Los Gatos, Calif.

Earlier, Vincent spent more than 20 years in sales, marketing, and general management positions with computer industry companies including IBM, Hewlett-Packard and ICL. Most of these positions were located internationally in London, Australia and Singapore.

''Richard Vincent is a tremendous asset to Boole & Babbage,'' commented Bill Ahlstrom, chief marketing officer for the company. ''His international perspective and marketing skills will greatly affect our future success.''

Vincent, an Australian, was educated in England at the Royal Air Force Technical College, where he received a master's degree in aerodynamics. He spent eight years in the Royal Air Force in flight simulation before joining IBM in 1970. Vincent is an active member of the Australian-American Chamber of Commerce.

Boole & Babbage is a leading developer and worldwide distributor of software products for automation and management of complex information systems. The company sells its products directly through its domestic sales organization, Empact Software, Boole & Babbage Computer Services, and Boole & Babbage Europe.

Internationally, the company sells its products through distributors in Australia, Japan, the Pacific Rim and Latin America. For more information, contact Carol Kaplan, director, corporate communications, 408/735-9550.

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SIMI VALLEY, CA (SEPT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - G.I. Industries and Republic Waste Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:RWIN) Friday announced that they have entered into a definitive agreement for a merger of the two companies in which shareholders of G.I. would receive stock of Republic, which would be the surviving parent company.

The agreement contemplates a tax-free reorganization in which G.I. shareholders would receive shares of Republic common stock in exchange for G.I. common stock. The exchange ratio is to be determined based on a value of $3.50 per share of G.I. common stock and the market value per share of Republic common stock preceding the closing, but not to exceed $22 per share.

Closing of the transaction is subject to receipt of regulatory and other approvals, approval of the shareholders of G.I., and satisfaction of various other conditions, including the sale by G.I. Industries of its equipment-leasing business prior to, or simultaneously with, the closing. Completion of the merger is expected to occur before or shortly after Dec. 31, 1990.

''We have been working diligently to complete this agreement,'' said Manuel Asadurian Sr., chairman of G.I. Industries, ''and we are delighted that we are becoming part of Republic Waste Industries.'' The two companies previously announced in July 1990 an agreement in principle regarding the merger.

G.I. Industries is a waste-hauling company based in Simi Valley. It operates solid-waste collection companies serving approximately 40,000 residential and commercial customers in Los Angeles and Ventura counties. Its common stock is traded over-the-counter.

Republic Waste Industries is a Houston-based company specializing in collection, processing and disposal of solid waste.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Plus Logic Inc., a leading high performance field programmable gate array company, named Gareld (Gary) Banta as the company's new vice president of marketing, responsible for product

marketing worldwide.

Previously, Banta was director of marketing, Analog Products Division, for National Semiconductor of Santa Clara, Calif.

Banta has over 15 years of engineering and marketing management experience. As director of marketing for National Semiconductor, he was responsible for National's one-half billion dollar linear, hybrid and discrete product line.

Banta held a number of responsible positions at National, including director of telecommunications marketing. Prior to joining National in 1982, Banta was founder and president of Idetik, a minicomputer-based graphics and image processing system maker. Banta has a B.S. in electrical and computer engineering from the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

''Gary's many years of product marketing and development will help Plus Logic cement its role as a leading worldwide supplier of high performance FPGA's,'' noted Clay Marr, Plus Logic's vice president of sales and marketing.

''He brings a proven track record of major product line development and marketing, honed at National Semiconductor's largest and most successful division. We are very glad to have him on board.''

Plus Logic Inc. is a semiconductor company providing award-winning, innovative high performance hardware products and software design tools for the high performance field programmable gate array (FPGA) and subsystem logic market.

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SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF. (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Kasler Corp. (NASDAQ:KASL), a leader in highway/heavy construction, Friday announced the company was the successful low bidder on a $43,433,333 contract in Los Angeles County for the California State Department of Transportation.

The contract, which represents the company's 10th Century Freeway project, is to construct Interstate 105 from Inglewood Avenue to Lemoli Avenue. The work consists of concrete paving of two miles of new freeway and eight bridge structures and construction of the transit station and light-rail facilities. The estimated duration of this project is 30 months.

The $1.2 billion Century Freeway, which represents the largest surface-highway project in the nation, encompasses 18 miles of new freeway construction from Los Angeles International Airport to Norwalk.

Bob Ferguson, president and chief executive officer, commenting on the low bid said, ''Kasler Corp. continues to play an important role in the construction of the new Century Freeway in Los Angeles.''

Ferguson continued: ''This project represents the first major bid on the Century Freeway project since the passage of transportation-related Propositions 111 and 108 in June 1990. The additional funding from these propositions should continue to provide increasing bidding opportunities for Kasler and our industry.''

Proposition 111 (The Traffic Congestion and Spending Limitation Act of 1990) and Proposition 108 (The Passenger Rail and Clean Air Act of 1990) are projected to generate approximately $18.5 billion over the next 10 years, with the funds dedicated to improving and expanding California's aging transportation system.

Kasler is a general contractor engaged in the construction of concrete roadways, bridges and other public-works projects, including airfields and water-control distribution facilities.

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SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Nichols Institute (ASE:LAB) announced Friday that, based upon preliminary information now available to it with respect to its third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990,

earnings for that quarter could be less than the highest projections being published by analysts by about 10 percent.

Dr. Albert L. Nichols, president, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the Institute said that, although company estimates are in accord with those of some analysts, the possibility of variances from the highest forecasts arises principally out of the recent unexpected impact of difficulties in consolidating the operations of Physicians Medical Laboratories, a company acquired in January 1990, with the Institute's existing Medlab Inc. operation in Portland, Ore.

He indicated that both management and operational changes are in place in Portland which are expected to bring future performance closer to original expectations. A portion of the negative impact on earnings from the Portland operations will be absorbed by the Institute's other business units, many of which are performing better than planned.

Nichols Institute provides esoteric diagnostic testing to clients nationwide in the fields of endocrinology, genetics, immunology, microbiology, molecular biology, oncology, serology, special chemistries, toxicology and virology. It also has regional laboratories in California, the Pacific Northwest and the Midwest which provide clinical testing to those markets.

The company also provides NIDA-certified substance-abuse testing to clients nationwide. Nichols Institute Diagnostics manufactures kits for the performance of medical-diagnostic tests which are distributed worldwide.

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MT. LAUREL, NJ (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Tyco Toys Inc. (NASDAQ:TTOY) and Nasta International Inc. (AMEX:NAS) announced that a special committee of the board of Nasta had unanimously recommended as fair the Tyco offer to purchase shares of Nasta and the merger, and recommended that stockholders of Nasta tender their shares.

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TORRANCE, CA (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Andrew Corp. Friday announced the availability of a new model of its popular Newport/Coax printer adapter for interfacing HP LaserJet printers to IBM mainframe systems.

The Newport III/Coax supports the new LaserJet III and IIID printers as well as the popular series II and IID printers. It contains all the operational features of its predecessor, the Newport/Coax, with the additional functionality of printer-sharing between the host and a PC.

Newport III dynamically switches between host and PC without the need for operator intervention, making it a very efficient and cost-effective solution for mainframe shops.

The dynamic printer-sharing capability is enabled with the addition of a DB9 serial connector on the back plate of the Newport III. With a serial connection to a PC in place, the user can download configurations directly to the adapter card by using the menu-driven Configurator software provided with the unit.

Users and systems programmers can also configure Newport III easily from a host terminal or from an IBM PC.

Both Newport III/Coax and Newport/Coax plug directly into the optional I/O slot of the HP LaserJet and enable host-sourced printouts immediately after installation without any programmer setup or configuration required.

Users can access the entire range of the LaserJet's functional capabilities (e.g. graphics, multiple fonts/formats, page orientation) by invoking a pseudo-transparency feature that bypasses the limitations imposed by the IBM system.

The Newport does not require an external power supply. It includes built-in printer drivers for HP landscape and portrait modes, user-defined configuration presets for different print formats, third-party software support for special graphics applications and extensive built-in diagnostics to make configuring and troubleshooting easy.

Andrew supports the Newport III/Coax with a one-year limited warranty and with optional extended warranty packages. To receive literature or additional information, call Andrew at 800/733-0331.

Andrew, with headquarters in Orland Park, Ill., is a $350 million worldwide supplier of communications products and systems.

The Network Products Group is a full-service designer and manufacturer of gateway devices and emulation boards that provide connectivity between IBM computers and non-IBM peripherals, local area network products for Token-Ring systems and wiring products for local interconnection of terminals and

computers.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Louis G. Karabochos, chairman, president and founder of Space Wif Corp., a publicly traded company, and Dwight Brooks, president and chief executive officer of Delta Film Productions, a private corporation with headquarters at Warner Bros. Studios, Burbank, Calif., announced Friday a signed letter of intent to discuss a merger of the two companies, with discussions moving rapidly toward completing this merger on a timely basis.

''This is the initial step in merging the two companies to form a mid-size entertainment company,'' stated former astronaut Richard ''Dick'' Gordon (Gemini 11 and Apollo 12, second mission to the moon).

''This merger will allow a full program of licensing agreements with companies to produce dolls, apparel, toys, stationery, cards and using the entire ''Wif Family'' for theme parks and many other items that lend themselves to this type of commercial venture.''

After the completed merger, the company will then qualify for a NASDAQ listing. Space Wif's current OTC symbol is ''3SPWF,'' listed on the new ''Bulletin Board'' level 3 machine.

Space Wif projects income of $45 million for videos one and two, with the first video titled, ''Space Wif Meets NASA,'' to go on sale in fall 1991.

Space Wif has plans to produce a 13-part educational entertainment home-video tape series using former U.S. Astronauts, actual NASA film footage and introducing ''Space Wif,'' the loving, caring, sharing alien from the planet ''Wisssh,'' with plans to follow up with a Saturday-morning cartoon for television, as well as a full-length feature movie.

Space Wif has 48 additional ''Wif'' characters designed by artist Ken Jungjohann.

Delta Film is experienced in all phases of television and feature-film production. Delta Film started producing films in 1952, producing feature films at Republic Studios, such as Robin Hood and Jesse James. In 1960, Dwight Brooks Productions merged with Delta Film Inc., moving to The Samuel Goldwin Studios, producing ''Command Post,'' ''Conquest'' and ''Condition Red'' among others.

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MILPITAS, CA (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Octel Communications Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:OCTL) Friday announced that Gary A. Wetsel will join Octel as vice president of finance and chief financial officer to replace Robert G. Sweifach.

Sweifach will be leaving Octel on Dec. 31 to pursue other business and personal interests.

''Wetsel comes to Octel following a four-month search. He has an ideal blend of financial management expertise gained from over 20 years of experience at operating companies with revenues ranging from $150 million to $2.3 billion as well as in public accounting firms,'' said Robert Cohn, Octel's president and chief executive officer.

''It is our corporate philosophy to hire management team members with skill and experience levels consistent with Octel's anticipated future needs into the 1990s.''

Sweifach is leaving Octel following six years of excellent performance in managing the financial planning and accounting departments during its growth from a start-up to $127 million in revenues in fiscal year 1990.

He was instrumental in planning and executing Octel's two successful public stock offerings and has been a valued contributor on a number of corporte strategy and business development issues. Sweifach will be a part-time consultant to Octel during the next year.

Wetsel is joining Octel from American President Cos. where, as vice president-financial plans and controls, he managed a staff of 100 employees with responsibility for controllership, financial planning, and internal and external reporting.

From 1986 to 1989, Wetsel served as vice president finance and chief financial and administrative officer of Ungermann-Bass Inc. From 1981 to 1986 Wetsel worked at ROLM Corp. where he served in several capacities, including group controller for the sales and service division; and vice president of finance for the sales and service subsidiary ROLM Texas. From 1969 to 1978 Wetsel worked in public accounting including seven years with Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co.

Octel Communications Corp. designs, manufactures and markets a full line of high-performance voice processing systems. Octel's Aspen product line is

sold in the United States, Canada and overseas to small businesses and large multisite corporations.

The new Sierra multiple-application voice processing platform is a very large capacity system designed to meet the special needs of telephone companies and other voice information service providers. Octel was founded in 1982 and is headquartered in Milpitas.

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PORTLAND, MAINE (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - In response to market rumors of a change in control involving North East Insurance Co. (NASDAQ:NEIC), a Portland Maine-based property and casualty insurer, North East Friday announced that it has received an indication of interest from an investor with respect to the acquisition of a substantial equity position in North East.

The company characterized this indication of interest, which has not been put in writing or in definitive form, as highly preliminary.

North East is a party to a merger agreement with Mega Group Inc. (NASDAQ:MGIN) a Delmar, New York-based insurance agency and brokerage concern, which agreement expires October 31, 1990.

In June, 1990, North East announced that it had serious concerns about the ability of such agreement to be consummated, and the Company continues to harbor such concerns, while evaluating its options for the future.

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EATONTOWN, N.J. (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Roberts Pharmaceutical Corp. (NASDAQ:RPCX) and the Upjohn Co. (NYSE:UPJ) jointly announced Friday that they have entered into an agreement for Upjohn to sell all rights in the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, and Republic of Ireland to Roberts for several professionally promoted proprietary brands.

Terms of the sale were not disclosed. Closing of the transaction is expected

prior to the end of September.

The products to be acquired by Roberts include the following respiratory, analgesic, and metabolic/nutritional brands: Respiratory -- CHERACOL, CHERACOL-D, CHERACOL-PLUS, ORTHOXICOL and PYRROXATE; Analgesic -- HALTRAN and P-A-C Tablets; Metabolic/Nutritional -- SIGTAB, ZYMACAP, CALCIUM LACTATE Tablets, CALCIUM GLUCONATE Tablets, DIOSTATE D, SUPER D Perles, LIPOMUL and CLOCREAM.

Most of the acquired products are sold over-the-counter in the United States, although they will be professionally promoted. CHERACOL sales in Canada are all prescription based. Several specific brands will continue to be manufactured and distributed by Upjohn on Roberts' behalf for the near term until a full transfer to Roberts is accomplished.

Roberts Pharmaceutical Corp. is in the business of acquiring, developing and marketing pharmaceuticals for use in the treatment of cancer, respiratory disease, pain management, endocrine/metabolic disorders, cardiovascular disease, urinary disorders, and iron overload conditions in the United States and abroad.

The Upjohn Co. is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care products, animal health care products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals.

Headquartered in Kalamazoo, Mich., the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

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STILLWATER, OKLA. (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - TMS Inc., the industry technology leader in electronic publishing and image management software, has announced the release of a Sun SPARCstation version of TMSFAX image compression/decompression software.

TMSFAX is a software package that manipulates bi-tonal raster images. Images are compressed, decompressed, scaled, and rotated purely in software and at speeds that rival, and often exceed hardware-based designs. This

all-software solution replaces the need for additional hardware peripherals in most image management systems. The latest version of TMSFAX is called TMSFAX/SPARC.

''TMSFAX/SPARC offers parallel functionality with our latest release of TMSFAX for Microsoft Windows 3.0,'' said Maxwell Steinhardt, TMS vice president of sales. ''This includes the ability to handle up to 'H' size (12 ft. by 8 ft.) drawings at 300 d.p.i., tiling capabilities that are CALS compliant, and a mirrored image functionality.''

Steinhardt added that the TMSFAX/SPARC toolkit also includes a sample application called FaxView. ''FaxView allows the developer to see just how the TMSFAX software can be implemented into their own application and can be used as a sample code reference. In the case of the TMSFAX/SPARC software, FaxView operates under the X-Windows environment. This provides our developers a standard interface for their application development.''

Demand for the software is increasing as end users are asking developers and TMS to include the TMSFAX product in other software applications. ''TMSFAX is rapidly becoming the image management tool of choice,'' said TMS senior vice president Ashok Mathur, ''because the end user wants image management without investing in a hardware card or more RAM. TMS has signed over 100 developers interested in using the software, and is signing new developer contracts at one to two per week.''

TMS has been an active player in the information industry since 1981 and has a number of industry firsts to its credit. It was the first organization to place a database on an optical disc and demonstrate it out of a laboratory (COMDEX, 1982), the first to demonstrate a hypertext retrieval product on a real database (a product called RESEARCH) and the first to offer a generally available file system for CD-ROM.

It was also the first to offer a pure software solution to image compression and decompression problems with TMSFAX.

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STILLWATER, OK (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - TMS Inc., the industry technology leader in electronic publishing and image management software, has announced the release of a flexible pricing schedule for its TMSFAX image compression/decompression software.

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speeds that rival, and often exceed hardware-based designs. This all-software solution replaces the need for additional hardware peripherals in most image management systems. The new pricing schedule announced is designed to allow TMS's developer partner/customers to use TMSFAX without a large up-front commitment.

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Mathur added, ''TMSFAX is fast, fully capable, and can present and manage a variety of image formats on any PC running MS-DOS 2.0 or higher. TMSFAX also operates under a variety of other environments including Microsoft Windows 2.x and 3.x, UNIX (X-Windows), OS/2 (Presentation Manager), Macintosh and others. We are hearing from our developers that TMSFAX is increasingly identified and asked for by name by corporate buyers.''

''The company strategy is to support the developer at a minimum of risk and a maximum of benefit,'' commented sales Vice President Maxwell Steinhardt. ''The development community can use this software-only approach for image management, and we intend to prove to them that TMS is a company that they will want to work with.''

Three pricing levels, indexed to unit volume, are provided under the new TMS schedule. The lowest price level has minimum volume of 25 units, with the price per unit at $100, and a support fee of $2,500. The second price level minimum quantity is set at 100 units with the price at $100/unit (no other fees required).

Third level pricing minimum volume is 200 units, with the price per unit at $85 (no other fees required). Higher volume commitments will receive alternative price discounts.

''We recognize the developer's need to minimize the up-front investment," said Steinhardt, ''but as their sales grow they will want to upgrade to the schedule that provides volume benefits. TMS is ready, willing and able to respond to developer - and large end-user - needs.''

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GREENWICH, CONN. (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Helm Resources Inc., (AMEX-H), Friday announced that it has, through a private transaction, agreed to repurchase and retire 1 million shares of its common stock.

The repurchase was made at 30 cents per share from one institutional holder.

Herbert M. Pearlman, Helm's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer stated that: ''With this repurchase we feel we have greatly stablized the pressure that has been exerted on Helm's stock price over the past few years by large institutions that have held substantial blocks of our common stock and have shown a willingness to sell large blocks of our stock at any given time.

''It was also our belief that, at the purchase price of 30 cents per share, Helm could not make a better investment on behalf of its stockholders.''

Helm Resources Inc. is a diversified company with various business interests, including the worldwide marketing and distribution of thermoplastic resins; the acquisition and marketing of seismic data to oil and gas companies; the development and marketing of optical disk software to the legal and financial services industries; the manufacture and marketing of industrial quality control products and agriculture products. Its affiliate Cliff-Engle Ltd., is engaged in the design, manufacture and distribution of sweaters that are officially licensed by the major sports leagues and the National Collegiate Athletic Association while its subsidiary, National Sports Marketing Inc. is the exclusive U.S. distributor and licensee of Rossignol racquets and racquet sports apparel.

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ALBANY, N.Y. (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. has announced a $.09 per share dividend to stockholders for the third quarter of

1990.

The dividend payment was approved by the board of directors of Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. at the Sept. 18, 1990 board meeting in Albany, N.Y.

Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. will pay a total of $1,270,933 on Nov. 20, 1990 to stockholders of record as of Oct. 16, 1990 bringing the total for the year to $3,812,799.

Through its subsidiaries, Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. is currently licensed in 45 states and Washington D.C. with applications in process in the remainder.

The company's common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol LWR. The group is comprised of United Community Insurance Co.; United Republic Reinsurance Co.; Senate Insurance Co.; and Commercial Resources Insurance Co.

Executive offices of Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. are located at 500 Fifth Avenue, in New York City, while operating headquarters are at 33 Elk Street, Albany, N.Y.

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ATLANTIC CITY, NJ (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - QUARTERMANIA, International Game Technology's (IGT) twenty-five cent progressive slot system, which links slot machines in a number of locations to produce giant jackpots, made its Atlantic City debut Friday in eight casinos.

Harrah's Atlantic City was the sight of the ''First Pull'' which started Quartermania meters across the city spinning.

The QUARTERMANIA jackpot network links 244 slot machines at TropWorld Casino & Entertainment Resort, Trump Taj Mahal Casino Resort, Caesars Hotel Casino, Trump Castle Casino Resort, Harrah's Atlantic City, Merv Griffin's Resorts Hotel Casino, Trump Plaza Hotel and Casino, and Showboat Hotel Casino to one giant jackpot which starts at $200,000 and builds with each handle pull. There is no limit to the size of the QUARTERMANIA super jackpot, which can be hit at any time, and at any place for only three quarters.

IGT received New Jersey State regulatory approval for its QUARTERMANIA system on May 30, 1990. ''QUARTERMANIA is a proven winner with slot players. The size and frequency of the jackpots, combined with the fact that you never know where the next hit will take place, makes it the most exciting quarter game in

town,'' says Stephen Morro, IGT's Atlantic City Systems general manager.

In operation in Nevada since December 1988, QUARTERMANIA can be found in 135 casinos across the state. The electronic jackpot network has paid out 55 super jackpots totaling in exesss of $17 million.

On the average, a super jackpot exceeding $316,000 has been won approximately every 11 days.

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STATEN ISLAND, NY (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantic Express Inc. (NASDAQ:ATEX) announced Friday that it is continuing to purchase its publicly traded common stock at market prices which it believes are substantially under valued.

The company has made no determination as to the number of shares it will purchase or the maximum price levels at which it will purchase its shares. Since mid July of this year Atlantic has purchased 18,900 shares of its common stock (after giving effect to the company's August 1990 one for two reverse split). As of Sept. 20, the company had outstanding 2,496,769 shares of common stock.

Atlantic also announced that Laventhol & Horwath has been retained as the company's independent certified public accountant in place of Deloitte & Touche and that as a result of the change in auditors it expects completion of its year end financial statements to be delayed. The company is in the process of completing a notification of late filing of its Annual Report on Form 10K for the year ended June 30, 1990 to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The company also announced that Richard Gatto, secretary and director of the company has resigned those positions and has become a consultant to the company under a long term consulting arrangement. At the same time, Gatto also entered into an option agreement with the company whereby the company has the option to purchase 219,025 shares of his common stock at a purchase price of $9.00 per share over an extended period of time.

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Koger Properties Inc. (NYSE:KOG) announced Friday its intention to continue its program of purchasing shares of its common stock.

The Board believes that this is an excellent opportunity to enhance the value of the shareholders' investment.

Koger Properties also announced that it will sell to Koger Equity Inc. (AMEX:KE) approximately $30 million in buildings this quarter and will sell additional buildings valued in excess of $100 million in the December quarter.

Koger Properties has developed, owns, and manages 36 office parks in 23 cities throughout the Sun Belt.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Aon Corporation Friday declared the quarterly dividend of 38 cents per common share payable November 19, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business on November 6, 1990.

Patrick G. Ryan, President and Chief Executive Officer, said, ''This dividend is the 156th consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid to Aon stockholders.''

Aon Corporation is an insurance holding company listed on the New York, London and Midwest Stock Exchanges with assets in excess of $9.8 billion. Revenues for fiscal 1989 exceeded $2.3 billion, with net income of $232 million, including revenues from Europe, Canada and the Pacific of $289 million, with pretax earnings from overseas operations of $74.2 million.

The principal subsidiaries of Aon Corporation are Combined Insurance Company of America, The Life Insurance Company of Virginia, Rollins Burdick Hunter Group, Inc., Ryan Insurance Group, Inc., and Union Fidelity Life Insurance Company.

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NORWOOD, MA (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Technologies Ltd.

(NASDAQ:PTEC) Friday announced that it expects to report a loss for its fiscal fourth quarter, ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Phoenix also announced a series of restructuring and operational changes designed to enable the company to return to profitability in fiscal 1991 if it meets its plan.

Revenues for the fourth quarter are expected to be approximately $10 million, as compared to $4.5 million for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Revenues are forecasted to increase for the 4th consecutive quarter, from $9.3 million for the third quarter of fiscal 1990.

Phoenix expects to report a loss of approximately $2 million before restructuring charges, bad debts, and taxes, and a loss after restructuring charges, bad debts and taxes of approximately $8.5 million. The restructuring charges consist principally of the writeoff of fixed assets and related facilities costs and, to a lesser extent, the writeoff of capital software and costs associated with personnel reallocations.

Rob Langer, the company's chief financial officer explained the reasons for the restructuring: ''In preparing our operating plan for fiscal '91, we have reassessed the level of hardware and software assets that we are likely to require over the next few years. Any excess to the required levels will be written off in the current quarter.

''Additionally, the planning process has identified areas in which we can be more efficient and areas in which we should be redeploying our existing headcount; any costs associated with this realignment will also recognized in the current quarter. Our cash position is strong with a cash balance still above $10 million, and the fourth quarter should once again be cash positive for the company. The changes we are implementing now are designed to make the company a more efficient organization and to enable it to return to profitability during the coming year.''

''The business plan for fiscal '91 reflects my personal assessment of Phoenix's business and operational procedures and my strategy for getting Phoenix back to profitability,'' said Ron Fisher, chief executive officer and president.

''Our 1991 fiscal plan calls for cash being at or above the $10 million level for each quarter of fiscal 1991. In addition, if the company meets its plan, it will achieve profitablity before the end of fiscal 1991.

''The 1991 plan is based on a number of precepts:

-- Phoenix is ideally positioned to take advantage of the proliferation of technologies and standards in the PC and laser printer markets, both by virtue of its superior compatibility products and its worldwide relationships with

leading system vendors.

-- we have eliminated redundant positions, reduced non-payroll operating expenses, and allocated increased resources to high growth sectors of our markets, such as notebooks, PC printer controllers and graphics-oriented PCs.

-- we are satisfied with our product strategy. Demand for our compatibility software and services continues to grow in a market overwhelmed by a multiplicity of advanced technologies and competing standards. Our revenue growth in each of the last four quarters supports this view.

''Our fiscal '91 plan focuses on more efficient execution of engineering programs, more responsive customer service and more aggressive cost containment. The changes we are putting into place optimize operations and establish accountability at every level of Phoenix's organization. The result will be felt by our customers immediately in increased quality, responsive service and innovative product development; and, we believe, will be reflected by a return to profitability.''

Phoenix Technologies Ltd. designs, develops and markets systems products for manufacturers of personal computers and laser printers. Its products enable OEMs to offer their customers computers and printers that are compatible with industry standards.

CONTACT: Phoenix Technology, Norwood
Rob Langer, 617/551-4161

-30- 4259
#90264b0754 09/21/1990 ~Business Wire

CANTON, OH (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Summit Environmental Group Inc. has completed a $10 million subordinated debenture offering with Baker, Fentress & Co., a closed-end mutual fund based in Chicago.

The new capital funds will be used primarily for acquisition.

CONTACT: Summit Environmental Group, Canton
Lynne Rogers, 216/455-7333

-30- 513
#90264b0756 09/21/1990 ~Business Wire

DALLAS (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Holly Corp. (AMEX:HOC) Friday announced the declaration of a regular quarterly cash dividend in the amount of 12 cents per share payable on Oct. 19, 1990 to holders of record on Oct. 5, 1990.

Holly Corp., through its affiliates, Navajo Refining Company and Montana Refining Company, is engaged in the refining of petroleum products.

CONTACT: Holly Corp., Dallas
E.I. Parsons, 214/979-0210
or
Dalton, Sneath & Co., Dallas
Lee Sneath, 214/385-2332

-30- 700
#90264b0772 09/21/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Tidewater Inc. (NYSE:TDW) announced Friday that it made a merger proposal to the board of directors of Petroleum Helicopters Inc. (PHI).

Under the proposal, each share of voting and non-voting PHI common stock would receive $32 of Tidewater common stock in a ''tax-free'' merger between PHI and Tidewater.

Tidewater's proposal is conditioned upon approval by PHI's board and the approval of the stockholders of Tidewater and PHI. The proposal is also subject to negotiation of definitive documentation and obtaining requisite regulatory approvals.

Tidewater is one of the world's leading providers of supply boats to the offshore marine services industry and provides compression services to the natural gas industry. John P. Laborde, chairman, president and chief executive officer, stated, ''We hope that Petroleum Helicopters' stockholders and board will look favorably upon our interest.

''We feel that the combination of helicopter and marine service businesses will be very effective in serving the offshore oil and gas industry on a worldwide basis.

''The combination of marine and air services plus compression services will strengthen Tidewater's position as a premier service company which will inure to benefit of all stockholders.

''The stock-for-stock merger structure will permit PHI stockholders a continuing equity participation in the combined corporation and the investment liquidity provided by a New York Stock Exchange corporation.''

CONTACT: Tidewater Inc., New Orleans
Victor Koock, 504/568-1010

-30- 1770
#90264b0788 09/21/1990 ~Business Wire
BOSTON (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRES - Boston Edison Co. Friday announced that

the United States Court of Appeals for the 1st Circuit reversed a $39,300,000 judgment against the company rendered in 1989 in connection with a complaint filed against the company by the Towns of Concord and Wellesley, Mass.

The Towns complaints included allegations of price discrimination, anticompetitive restrictions and price squeeze. The 1989 judgment has not been reflected in the company's financial statements, and, accordingly, the Appeals Court decision will have no effect on the company's reported earnings.

CONTACT: Boston Edison, Boston
Daniel L. Desjardins, 617/424-3834
or
Michael J. Monahan, 617/424-2460
617/424-2055 (evenings and weekends)

-30- 975
#90264b0794 09/21/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The Federal Farm Credit Banks Funding Corp. Friday announced an offering of $100 million of Federal Farm Credit Banks Consolidated Systemwide Bonds.

The 8.87 percent Bonds, due Oct. 10, 1995 may be redeemed, at par, in whole or in part, on any interest payment date beginning Oct. 10, 1991.

A significant portion of the issue was paired with separate agreements to effectively convert the interest rate sensitivity of these liabilities to the interest rate sensitivity of Farm Credit System assets.

Interest payments will be made semi-annually commencing Mar. 10, 1991. Proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes. Issued in Book-Entry Form only, the bonds are available in minimum denominations of $1,000 and multiples of $1,000.

The offering is being co-managed by Merrill Lynch Capital Markets, Kidder, Peabody & Co. Inc. and Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc. Settlement of the bonds is scheduled for Oct. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: Federal Farm Credit Banks Funding Corp., New York
Raymond D. Renslow, 212/908-9472
or Glenn R. Doran, 212/908-9471

-30- 1297
#90264b0797 09/21/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Christopher J. Kennan, associate to David Rockefeller and Latin American investment specialist for Rockefeller & Co., was elected to the board of directors of Telemundo Group Inc., the company

announced Friday.

Kennan's election expands Telemundo's board to 15 directors.

Kennan is active in international economic and political affairs and works closely with the Trilateral Commission, of which Rockefeller is chairman, as well as with the Americas Society and its affiliates, the Council on the Americas, the Pan American Society and Caribbean/Central American Action.

Kennan is a director of ACCION, a non-profit organization which operates micro-lending economic development programs throughout Latin America. He serves on the board of the Public Development Corp. of New York City, where he resides with his family.

Telemundo Group Inc. (NASDAQ: TLMD), based in New York City, is a Spanish-language television network operating in the United States through its owned-and-operated stations and affiliates, reaching 80 percent of Hispanic households in 37 markets.

CONTACT: Telemundo Group Inc., New York
Rosemary Ravinal, 212/492-5692

-30- 1372
#90264c0002 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:13 that trade in North East Insurance Co.(NASDAQ: NEIC) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask 1 1/8, 1 1/4. The company is located in Portland, ME.

-30- 358
#90264c0003 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 19:

Grant-Norpac Inc. (GRNT)
Legend Foods Inc. (LGFD), Uts. 7/31/92 (LGFDU), Wts. 7/31/92 (LGFDW)
News Communications Inc.(NCOM), Cl. A Wts. 9/19/95 (NCOMW)

The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 18:

FIRST SEISMIC Corp. (FSEI)
Westwood One Inc. - Wts. 9/4/97 (WONEW)

-30- 536
#90264c0004 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the

NASDAQ system effective Sept. 20:

Celebrity Resorts Inc. (CELEU); Insufficient number of active market makers
First Ameri-Cable Corp. (FATV); Plan of Liquidation - Transfer Books permanently closed

National Quick Lube Ltd. - Cl. A Wts. (NQLWF); Insufficient number of active market makers

Restaurant Hotline Systems Inc. (UEATW); Insufficient number of active market makers

Total Pharmaceutical Care Inc. (TPCA); Issue postponed - security never quoted

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 19:

Cardinal Distribution Inc. (CDICV); Insufficient number of regular market makers - security never quoted (Stk. Div.)

Florida Public Utilities Co. (FPUT); Company request; listed on AMEX

Mid America Bancorp (MABC); Insufficient number of active market makers; listed on AMEX

Old Republic International Corp. (OLDR); Company request; listed on NYSE
UTL Corp. (UTLC) - 6 1/2% Conv. Sub. Dbs. Due 2011 (UTLOG); Acquired by ARGOSystems Holding Co.

-30- 1216
#90264c0005 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 20:

Communications and Entertainment Corp. - Cl. B Wts. 9/25/90 (CECOW) to Cl. B Wts. 10/31/90 (CECOW)

Energetics Inc. (EJTXE) to (EJTX)
L.M. Ericsson Telephone Co. ADR (ERICY) to (ERIYD) (5 for 1 forward split)
Meadow Group Inc. (MDOWV) to (MDOW)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 19:

Adtec Inc. (JAIL) to (JAILE)
Daltex Medical Sciences Inc. - Uts. 9/30/90 (DLTXU) to Uts. 9/30/91 (DLTXU)
Home Intensive Care Inc. - Wts. 9/30/90 (HICIW) to Wts. 9/30/91 (HICIW)
Keystone Camera Products Corp. (KYCUC) to (KYCPU), Wts. 8/23/93 (KYCWC) to

Wts. 8/23/93 (KYCPW)
Regal Communications Corp. - Wts. 9/30/90 (RCOMW) to Wts. 3/31/91 (RCOMW)

-30- 926
#90264c0010 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:31 that trade in Hilton Hotels Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol HOP.

-30- 317
#90264c0011 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows First Golden Bancorporation (TICKER: FGBC) earned $226,630, or $0.17 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $1.41 million, or $1.03 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 463
#90264c0012 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Great Southern Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: GSBC) earned $2.30 million, or $1.39 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $3.66 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 443
#90264c0013 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Quantum Ventures Group Inc.(TICKER: QUMV) lost $685,991, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $1.71 million for the fiscal year May 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $23,535 (including an extraordinary gain of $3,800), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $164,516 for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1989.

-30- 530
#90264c0014 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows National Computer Systems Inc.(TICKER: NLCS) earned $3.81 million, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $78.87 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.05 million, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $65.65 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 511

#90264c0015 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Airsensors Inc.(TICKER: ARSN) lost $357,096, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $6.72 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with losses of $146,101, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $7.64 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 466

#90264c0016 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows GACC Holding Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Great American Communications Co.(TICKER: GACC), exercised its option to extend the maturity date of its 13 1/4% senior extendable reset notes from Oct. 1, 1990 to Oct. 1, 1995.

As a result, the interest rate on the notes was "reset" to 20 1/2%, effective Oct. 1, 1990.

-30- 550

#90264c0018 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Kings Road Entertainment Inc.(TICKER: KREN) earned $32,788, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $6.69 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $218,907 (including an extraordinary gain of $365,211 on debt restructuring), or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $2.07 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 563

#90264c0019 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Phoenix American Inc.(TICKER: PHXA) earned $3.81 million, or $0.81 per share, on revenues of $31.40 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $4.13 million, or $0.70 per share, on revenues of $28.63 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 508

#90264c0020 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Future Communications Inc.(TICKER: FMCI) earned $324,649, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $636,667 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $202,168, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $548,881 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 483
#90264c0021 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Transform Logic Corp.(TICKER: TLOG) earned $54,500, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $3.10 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with losses of $1.05 million, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $3.82 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 485
#90264c0022 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY HENLEY GROUP INC OF HAMPTON, NH OWNS 3,048,883 SHARES (7.30%) OF WHEELABRATOR TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: WTI) OF DANVERS, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990, WM Sub Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Waste Management Inc. was merged with and into Wheelabrator Technologies Inc. and each share of WTI common stock held by the stockholders of Wheelabrator Technologies Inc. (other than merger sub, WMI or WMI, or Wheelabrator Technologies Inc., are to receive .574 of a share of common stock and .469 of a share of common stock of WMI. As a result of the merger, the 2,950,000 shares of WTI were reclassified into 1,693,300 new shares. Also, New Henley has an option, exercisable at any time within one year after receipt of notice to of issuance of WTI common stock in connection with the merger to purchase an additional 1,355,583 new shares.

-30- 1087
#90264c0023 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND CO OF DECATUR, IL OWNS 1,215,900 SHARES (9.43%) OF INTL

MULTIFOODS CORP (TICKER: IMC) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From March 2, 1990 through Sept. 6, 1990, Archer-Daniels-Midland Co. purchased 584,600 shares at a price of $24.75 to $30.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 541
#90264c0024 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

E.D. MICCI OWNS 169,500 SHARES (9.00%) OF DS BANCOR INC (TICKER: DSBC) OF DERBY, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 20, 1990 through Sept. 12, 1990, E.D. Micci purchased 24,000 shares at a price of $8.31 to $11 per share.

PURPOSE:

Increase in beneficially-owned shares.

-30- 475
#90264c0026 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GLOBAL SECURITIES INC OWNS 1,707,800 SHARES (39.40%) OF ANAREN MICROWAVE INC (TICKER: ANEN) OF EAST SYRACUSE, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Global Securities Inc. purchased 1,707,800 shares on Sept. 10, 1990 for $1.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 477
#90264c0027 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

S.C. POWELL OF BURLINGTON, NC OWNS 4,490,042 SHARES (13.20%) OF ENVIRONMENTAL DIAGNOSTICS INC (TICKER: EDIT) OF BURLINGTON, NC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

S.C. Powell, who is the chairman of the board of Environmental Diagnostics Inc., holds options to purchase 350,000 shares.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 517
#90264c0036 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, R.R. PEERY, VP OF CENTENNIAL BANCORP (TICKER: CEBC), BOUGHT 230 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,756.

-30- 304
#90264c0041 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, L.L. LEE, CHAIRMAN OF LEES INNS OF AMERICA INC. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 549,427.

-30- 304
#90264c0043 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, GROWTH REALTY LTD, BEN. OWNER OF MEGO INTERNATIONAL INC. BOUGHT 72,500 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,862,695.

-30- 321
#90264c0049 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB. 14, 1989, L.C. HOFF, DIR. OF FIRST OF AMERICA BANK CORP. (TICKER: FAO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $39.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90264c0051 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, CENTRAL MUTUAL INSURANCE CO, BEN. OWNER OF CENTRAL UNITED CORP.(TICKER: CNTU) BOUGHT 132 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90264c0056 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, W. GREENFIELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SCIENTIFIC IMAGING INSTRS INC.(TICKER: SIMI) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 720,500.

-30- 374
#90264c0060 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 7, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF PORTUGAL FUND INC. (TICKER: PGF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90264c0062 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 11, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF PORTUGAL FUND INC. (TICKER: PGF), SOLD 2,100 SHARES AT $16.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90264c0065 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 14, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF PORTUGAL FUND INC. (TICKER: PGF), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90264c0071 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF PORTUGAL FUND INC. (TICKER: PGF), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $14.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,937.

-30- 332
#90264c0074 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, J.S. SNYDER, OFFICER OF L.C.B. BANCORP, INC BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,004.

-30- 295
#90264c0076 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 1, 1989, D.M. KAISER, VP OF THE GEORGE WORTHINGTON CO. BOUGHT 951 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 951.

-30- 295
#90264c0079 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, P.D. WATSON, DIR. OF WINTER SPORTS INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90264c0082 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, L.P. SHAYKIN, DIR. OF JOY TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: JOTI) SOLD 467 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 350,320.

-30- 321
#90264c0084 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GOLDEN OIL CO OWNS 1,693,859 SHARES (25.20%) OF COBB RESOURCES CORP (TICKER: COBB) OF ALBUQUERQUE, NM.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Cobb has agreed that he will not dispose of the remaining shares prior to March 31, 1991 without Golden Oil Co.'s consent. On Sept. 6, 1990 Cobb Resources Corp. announced that it had entered into a letter of intent to acquire certain oil and gas properties owned by GeoSouthern Energy Corp. Golden Oil Co. is currently evaluating this announcement. Golden Oil Co. intends to seek the immediate election to Cobb Resources Corp.'s board of Ralph T. McElvenny Jr., the chairman and CEO of Golden Oil Co. Cobb has granted a proxy to vote the remaining shares at any shareholder meeting of Cobb Resources Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 14, 1990 Golden Oil Co. exercised the option granted by Charles Cobb IV to purchase 300,000 common shares.

PURPOSE:

Possible business combination.

-30- 1138
#90264c0085 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 23, 1990 General Electric Co.(TICKER: GE) entered into a letter agreement to sell its entire holding in Lodgistix Inc. in a private transaction for $250,000. The sale of the shares took place Aug. 24 and General Electric Co. no longer holds more than five percent of Lodgistix Inc.'s (TICKER: LDGX) common shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 23, 1990 General Electric Co. sold 1 million shares for $250,000.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 699
#90264c0086 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

B.L. OLIVER OWNS 144,505 SHARES (21.00%) OF MOD U KRAF HOMES INC (MODU) OF ROCKY MOUNT, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mrs. Oliver inherited 105,180 share from her late husband upon his death and the shares were transferred from his estate on Sept. 19, 1990; also, 88,750 shares were transferred from the estate of O. Z. Oliver to the company for retirement in settlement of dispute between estate and company. Mrs. Oliver disclaims beneficial ownership.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Mrs. Oliver inherited 105,180 shares from her late husband upon his death and the shares were transferred from his estate on Sept. 19, 1990

PURPOSE:

Transfer of shares from estate.

-30- 877
#90264c0088 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The tender offer described in the Aug. 8, 1990 statement terminated on Sept. 6 1990 and there were no securities tendered or exchanged pursuant to said tender offer.

-30- 383
#90264c0089 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

K.W. ANDERSON OWNS 334,312 SHARES (5.10%) OF AMTECH CORP (TICKER: AMTC) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 345
#90264c0094 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY L. JESSELSON OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 208,732 SHARES (26.90%) OF CAROLYN BEAN PUBLISHING LTD (TICKER: CBEN) OF HAYWARD, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In Dec. 1989, L. Jesselson acquired 400,000 shares when the conversion of a $130,000 demand loan to the company was converted into a $130,000 convertible subordinated promissory note. On June 14, 1990, L. Jesselson purchased 1,120,000 shares for $35,000 and on July 2, 1990, received 16,978 shares as an interest payment of $5,518 on the subordinated note. On Aug. 6, 1990, the company's shareholders approved a sixteen to one reverse split and as a result the 1,645,780 pre-split shares became 102,861 post split shares. On Aug. 16, 1990, L. Jesselson received 60,588 shares upon the conversion of $105,000 of the note common shares. As of Sept. 4, 1990, Robert Fagenson and Martin Vegh had failed to make any payment on promissory notes of $78,000 each to L. Jesselson that were due on June 30, 1990 in exchange for a total of 52,000 series A preferred shares. Fagenson and Vegh agreed to return the shares they had purchased and are included in the reported stake.

-30- 1345
#90264c0095 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP OWNS 688,772 SHARES (5.003%) OF HOGAN SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: HOGN) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 10, 1990, IBM entered into a stock purchase agreement with Hogan Systems Inc. providing for the purchase of 688,772 shares. As consideration

for the sale of shares, Hogan Systems Inc. and IBM have amended agreements involving the license of certain banking system software to IBM and marketing, service and development agreements.

PURPOSE:

Stock purchase agreement.

-30- 739
#90264c0099 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY ADIA S A OF LAUSANNE, 9, SWITZERLAND OWNS 8,377,200 SHARES (67.19%) OF ADIA SERVICES INC (TICKER: ADIA) OF MENLO PARK, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Adia Holdings Inc., a newly formed holding company that holds Adia S.A.'s U.S. investments, has become a reporting party.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 9, 1990 to Sept. 13, Adia S.A. bought 69,100 shares at $16.25 to $19.25 each.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares.

-30- 628
#90264c0102 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY P. TSAKOS OWNS 395,600 SHARES (13.19%) OF GLOBAL OCEAN CARRIERS LTD (TICKER: GLO) OF PIRAEUS, GREECE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Michael Jolliffe is also the president and a director of Global and also an officer, director and shareholder of Sovereign. Mr. Panayotis Tsakos used his personal funds, not borrowed, to make his purchases since May 29, 1990. Mr. Tsakos intends to acquire additional shares of Global's common stock to be

held for investment purposes but he has not determined the number of or when the acquisition of such shares will be.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 24, 1990 through Sept. 17, 1990, Mr. Panayotis Tsakos purchased 56,900 additional shares of the company for an aggregate price of $337,987.50.

-30- 951
#90264c0103 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY W.J. REIK JR OWNS 669,747 SHARES (10.78%) OF CYPRESS FUND INC (TICKER: WJR).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Sept. 18, 1990, Mr. Reik resigned as a vice president and portfolio manager of the Fund and, accordingly, no longer provides discretionary investment management services to the Fund. Mr. Reik now serves as a consultant to the Fund and continues to serve as a managing director of Mitchell Hutchins.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 9, 1990 through July 25, 1990, Mr. Reik purchased 35,200 shares at a price of $9.50 to $9.88 per share.

-30- 766
#90264c0104 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 19, 1990, the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri issued an order denying the company's motion to dismiss the purchaser's complaint, as amended, in the lawsuit entitled Kansas City Power & Light Co.(TICKER: KAN), et. al. v. Kansas Gas and Electric Co. (TICKER: KSGE), No. 90-0662-CV-W-8 or, in the alternative, to transfer the action to the U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas. On Sept. 19, 1990, the purchaser,

Kansas City Power & Light Co. issued a press release announcing the decision had been made and that it was pleased. The tender offer is scheduled to expire Oct. 19, 1990.

-30- 869
#90264c0107 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EDWARD G JORDAN, DIR. OF ACME STEEL CO. (TICKER: ACME), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 301
#90264c0109 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WALTER F RAAB, DIR. OF AIR PRODUCTS & CHEMICALS INC. (TICKER: APD), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $45.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 318
#90264c0110 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PAUL F HUMMER, PRES. OF GREEN (A.P.) INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: APGI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,062.

-30- 318
#90264c0111 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, BARRY LAWSON WILLIAMS, DIR. OF AMERICAN PRESIDENT COMPANIES (TICKER: APS), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90264c0112 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DENNY L CHRISMER, VP OF AUTO-TROL TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: ATTC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,017.

-30- 321
#90264c0113 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THOMAS H SHERLOCK, DIR. OF BALTIMORE BANCORP. (TICKER: BBB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,900.

-30- 318
#90264c0114 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ALLEN LENZMEIER, VP OF BEST BUY CO. (TICKER: BBY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90264c0115 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, NEW YORK & FOREIGN SEC CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BCI GEONETICS INC. (TICKER: BCGN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90264c0117 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, NEW YORK & FOREIGN SEC CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BCI GEONETICS INC. (TICKER: BCGN), BOUGHT 19,256 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 187,259.

-30- 351
#90264c0118 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 465 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90264c0119 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $34.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90264c0120 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90264c0121 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $34.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90264c0122 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 530,168.

-30- 322
#90264c0123 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EDWARD R LYNN, DIR. OF BANKS OF IOWA INC. (TICKER: BIOW), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $66.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 838.

-30- 302
#90264c0125 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CARL J MOTTER JR, VP OF BT FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BTFC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,207.

-30- 306
#90264c0126 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WAYMAN F SMITH III, VP OF ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. (TICKER: BUD), SOLD 403 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,630.

-30- 307
#90264c0127 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GREGORY A BONNELL, OFFICER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90264c0128 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GREGORY A BONNELL, OFFICER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,190.

-30- 323
#90264c0129 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, RUSSELL H GREEN JR, DIR. OF CALFED INC. (TICKER: CAL), BOUGHT 359 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,899.

-30- 296
#90264c0130 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 25, 1990, PAUL H ROONEY JR, VP OF COMMONWEALTH BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: CBKS), BOUGHT 180 SHARES AT $17.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90264c0131 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, HARRY B BROCK JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 106 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90264c0133 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CHARLES W DANIEL, DIR. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 102 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,838.

-30- 345
#90264c0134 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DAVID E BROCK, DIR. OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), SOLD 794 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114.

-30- 309
#90264c0135 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DAVID E BROCK, DIR. OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), SOLD 555 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 84.

-30- 310
#90264c0136 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, THOMAS F ROKISKY, VP OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 504.

-30- 310
#90264c0137 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOHN B FAIRCHILD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAPITAL CITIES/ABC INC. (TICKER: CCB), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $487.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,637.

-30- 347
#90264c0138 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 16, 1990, EMILIO BASSINI, PRES. OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,590.

-30- 304

#90264c0139 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $18.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90264c0141 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 17, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90264c0142 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 12,700 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90264c0143 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90264c0144 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90264c0145 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 05, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287

#90264c0146 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $14.36 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90264c0147 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 08, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90264c0149 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 14, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 16,500 SHARES AT $13.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90264c0150 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 15, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $14.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90264c0151 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 18, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 24,300 SHARES AT $14.36 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90264c0152 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 19, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 24,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289

#90264c0153 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 20, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90264c0154 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 21, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90264c0155 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 22, 1989, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90264c0157 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 17, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90264c0158 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 18, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90264c0159 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 23, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286

#90264c0160 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 26, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90264c0161 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 29, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90264c0162 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 30, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 2,800 SHARES AT $17.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90264c0163 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 26, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90264c0165 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 09, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 10,500 SHARES AT $21.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90264c0166 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 12, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286

#90264c0167 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 13, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $20.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90264c0168 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 16, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 12,900 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90264c0169 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90264c0170 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 01, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $17.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90264c0171 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 02, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 8,133 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90264c0173 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 4,800 SHARES AT $17.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 286

#90264c0174 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90264c0175 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 30, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90264c0176 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 04, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90264c0177 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 24,500 SHARES AT $17.02 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90264c0178 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90264c0179 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287

#90264c0181 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, BEA ASSOCIATES INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), SOLD 7,100 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 423,590.

-30- 325
#90264c0182 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JAY C GOLDMAN, DIR. OF CITY HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CHCO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,154.

-30- 306
#90264c0183 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, DWIGHT C MINTON, CHAIRMAN OF CHURCH & DWIGHT CO. (TICKER: CHD), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 251,522.

-30- 322
#90264c0184 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GEORGE K CARTER, VP OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), SOLD 539 SHARES AT $79.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,350.

-30- 290
#90264c0185 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOHN E MACK III, SHAREHOLDER OF CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORP. (TICKER: CNH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,830.

-30- 354
#90264c0186 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, WILLIAM D WHITE, DIR. OF CENTEL CORP. (TICKER: CNT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 291
#90264c0187 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CLIFFORD M KENDALL, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 195,784.

-30- 343
#90264c0189 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, FERGUSON JOHN H TTEE, TTEE OF CENTRAL & SOUTHERN HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CSBC), BOUGHT 625 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,705.

-30- 364
#90264c0190 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 28, 1987, RONALD W SKEDDLE, DIR. OF COOPER TIRE & RUBBER CO. (TICKER: CTB), BOUGHT 299 SHARES AT $33.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90264c0191 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ROSALIND F GALLAGHER, DIR. OF DIME FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DIBK), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,311.

-30- 322
#90264c0192 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES F KANE, DIR. OF DELTA WOODSIDE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DLW), BOUGHT 931 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,136.

-30- 316
#90264c0193 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CARL L PETERSON, PRES. OF DUPLEX PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: DPX), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 305
#90264c0194 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM T HOLLORAN, OFFICER OF DREYFUS CORP. (TICKER: DRY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $26.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 306
#90264c0195 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, STEVEN POSNER, DIR. OF DWG CORP. (TICKER: DWG), SOLD 84,730 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 86,141.

-30- 305
#90264c0197 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, BRADFORD S WELLMAN, DIR. OF ESSEX COUNTY GAS CO. (TICKER: ECGC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,636.

-30- 319
#90264c0198 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, S STANLEY FISCHMAN, PRES. OF ELECTRONICS MISSILES & COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: ECIN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 364
#90264c0199 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WARREN FINLEY, DIR. OF ELDORADO BANCORP. (TICKER: ELB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90264c0200 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, WARREN FINLEY, DIR. OF ELDORADO BANCORP. (TICKER: ELB), BOUGHT 580 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,080.

-30- 307
#90264c0201 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, BERNARD A SCHRIEVER, DIR. OF EMERSON ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: EMR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $34.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,200.

-30- 321
#90264c0202 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ROBERT S KENNEDY, VP OF ESSEX CORP. (TICKER: ESEX), BOUGHT 151 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,037.

-30- 290
#90264c0203 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, H DUKE SHACKELFORD, DIR. OF ENTERGY CORP. (TICKER: ETR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 305
#90264c0205 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOSEPH MAZIN, PRES. OF FLAMEMASTER CORP. (TICKER: FAME), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 118,643.

-30- 301
#90264c0206 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LOUIS T GUTHRIE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FB & T CORP. (TICKER: FBTC), BOUGHT 513 SHARES AT $24.11 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 56,692.

-30- 322
#90264c0207 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HAROLD L HARTLAUB, DIR. OF FB & T CORP. (TICKER: FBTC), BOUGHT 1,019 SHARES AT $24.11 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90264c0208 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, HENRY J STRAZZELLA, DIR. OF FB & T CORP. (TICKER: FBTC), BOUGHT 152 SHARES AT $24.11 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,155.

-30- 302
#90264c0209 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, LARRY OLSON, OFFICER OF FIRST COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90264c0210 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATED PERSON OF FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC. (TICKER: FF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90264c0211 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATED PERSON OF FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC. (TICKER: FF), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90264c0213 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, BINKLEY C SHORTS, AFFILIATED PERSON OF FIRST FINANCIAL

FUND INC. (TICKER: FF), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90264c0214 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, BINKLEY C SHORTS, AFFILIATED PERSON OF FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC. (TICKER: FF), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 352
#90264c0396 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:01 that trade in Midlantic Corp. (NASDAQ: MIDL) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 8 7/8.

-30- 319
#90264c0399 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:36 that trade in Chase Manhattan Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol CMB.

-30- 318
#90264c0400 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Koger Equity has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol KE. Trading was resumed at 13:46.

-30- 341
#90264c0401 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:55 that trade in Midlantic Corp. (NASDAQ: MIDL) has been resumed. The first sale was 8 3/4; down 1/8 points from the halt, and previous close.

-30- 336
#90264c0405 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Calstar Inc.(TICKER: CSAR) lost $108,805, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $4.87 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $226,704, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $4.14 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 452
#90264c0411 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Partech Holdings Corp.(TICKER: APHC) lost $342,869, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $32.31 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $77,542, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $31.60 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 471
#90264c0412 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows ECI Environmental Inc.(TICKER: ECI) has been served with a complaint charging violation of SS 10 (b) and 20 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 of the Securities Exchange Commission.

The complaint also charges common law counts of fraud and negligent misrepresentation, arising from an alleged failure to disclose material information about ECI's financial results and business prospects since the company's initial public offering in November, 1989.

The suit was filed by Jeffery Stark in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California, and seeks to represent the class of persons who purchased the company's common stock during the period Nov. 21, 1989 through July 16, 1990.

The suit also names as defendants Richard G. Cleveland, Kurt P. Zimmerman, Michael Christie and Daniel J. Doud, officers and directors of ECI.

ECI reports the company and its management intend to vigorously defend against the lawsuit, which they believe to be without merit.

-30- 1215
#90264c0413 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Ultrak Inc.(TICKER: ULTK) executed a merger agreement on Sept. 7, 1990, with its wholly-owned subsidiary, Loronix Security Systems Inc. and Loronix Inc., a California corporation. Loronix Inc., at the closing of the agreement, will merge into Loronix Security Systems.

The transaction is structured as a tax-free reorganization, and will be effective as of Sept. 30, 1990.

The projected closing date for the transaction is Nov. 30, 1990, and no later

than Dec. 31, 1990.

Ultrak has agreed to issue 10 million common restricted shares to shareholders of Loronix Inc., as consideration for the merger.

Ultrak also has agreed to loan to Loronix Inc. up to $1.7 million for purposes of enabling Loronix to retire certain indebtedness to its controlling stockholder, president and director, Edward Jankowski.

-30- 1044

#90264c0414 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Todd Shipyards Corp.(TICKER: TOD) on Sept. 13, 1990, filed a disclosure statement regarding the company's amended plan of reorganization.

The 8-K filing notes that although the management of Todd Shipyards believes that the approximately $26.6 million of working capital to be available to Todd Shipyards under the reorganization plan will be sufficient for Todd Shipyards' working capital needs, requirements are subject to signficant factors outside the control of the company and there can, therefore, be no assurance that such working capital will be sufficient.

In the event that the amount of working capital available to Todd Shipyards is insufficient to meet its working capital needs, such event would have a material adverse effect on the company.

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#90264c0415 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that Ronald S. Kass, chief executive officer president, chief financial officer and a company director, made payments of about $150,000 from company funds to third parties to cover personal expenses.

The company reports that Kass has acknowledged causing such payments to be made and agreed to make prompt and full restitution to Astrex Inc. (TICKER: ASI) and its subsidiary.

Kass agreed to make the payment by Sept. 27, 1990.

He has since resigned as chief financial officer and terminated his employment agreement.

Kass continues as chief executive officer and company president as an employee at will at his current base salary.

Additionally, on Sept. 1, 1990, the company failed to pay interest of

approximately $425,000 due on $8.8 million face amount of its 9 1/2% debentures, due Sept. 1, 2000.

It reports that it has until Sept. 30, 1990 to make such payments.

In related news, Astrex elected Mark Schindler as vice president on Sept. 13, 1990.

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#90264c0416 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Willcox & Gibbs Inc.(TICKER: WG) dismissed KPMG Peat Marwick as its independent accountant on Sept. 11, 1990.

On that date, the company hired Coopers & Lybrand as its independent accountants to audit Willcox's financial statements for the year ended Dec. 31 1990.

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#90264c0417 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Advantage Life Products Inc.(TICKER: ADVT) on Sept. 14, 1990, entered a settlement agreement with More Direct Response (MDR) to effect the settlement of a lawsuit filed by MDR in November, 1989.

In the suit now settled, MDR had alleged Advantage had breached the distribution agreements between the two companies, under which Advantage distributes the CigArrest line of smoking cessation products.

Advantage had filed a cross complaint in December, 1989, for breach of contract, seeking damages of $50 million.

Both complaints will be dismissed as a result of the settlement.

The distribution agreements, originally due to have expired in January, 1995, will be extended in perpetuity, subject to Advantage's obligation to increase its minimum annual purchases under the distribution agreements by 15% per year subsequent to 1995.

MDR also was granted a seven-year option to purchase 400,000 shares of Advantage's common stock at $3.125 per share, and 20,000 shares of Advantage's common stock were issued to John Bancroft, president of MDR.

Bancroft will be included as a nominee to Advantage's board of directors at Advantage's annual meeting of shareholders Sept. 21, 1990.

-30- 1429
#90264c0419 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Gantos Inc.(TICKER: GTOS) lost $2.60 million, or $0.49 per share, on revenues of $61.12 million for the quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990.

This compares with net income of $541,000, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $52.84 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 475
#90264c0420 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 11, 990, Matewan Bancshares Inc. appointed Ernst & Young as its independent accountants, replacing McNeal Williamson & Co.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 850
#90264c0421 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 17, 1990, Certron Corp.(TICKER: CRTN) changed its principal executive offices to 4929 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90010.

Its telephone number is (213) 954-0477.

-30- 378
#90264c0422 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 13, 1990, Tiempo Equities Inc. and Atrix Inc. entered into a merger agreement.

Following consummation of the transaction, Atrix shareholders would own approximately 45 percent of the total outstanding stock of Tiempo.

Tiempo is a blind investment pool formed in Aug. 1987 to raise capital for the acquisition of, or investment in, a single business enterprise meeting management's criteria.

Atrix is a privately financed company organized in June 1981 and is presently engaged in the business of assembling and marketing hand tools and customized hand tool kits, as well as the manufacture and marketing of vacuums, printed circuit board cases and electrostatic discharge and static-control components and accessories to customers principally involved in the electronics and computer industry.

-30- 1036

#90264c0423 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 31, 1990, International Design Group Inc.(TICKER: IDGI) acquired 90 percent of the outstanding common stock of Finco Financial Corp.

The company paid $40,000 cash to Finco's sole shareholder, Kenneth Gardner, and agreed to contribute $15,000 in capital to Finco.

Finco is a licensed insurance premium finance company in the state of Florida and has not had any operations to date.

-30- 626

#90264c0424 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 11, 1990, Hubco Inc.(TICKER: HCO) named Lynne Van Borkulo to the position of corporate secretary.

-30- 332

#90264c0425 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - Armeno Resources Inc.(TICKER: AROY) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it lost $322,116 on revenues of $43,474 for the six-month period ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $313,631 on revenues of $72,067 for the same period ended a year earlier.

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#90264c0427 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 20, 1990, Kansas Gas & Electric (TICKER: KSGE) filed a notice of dismissal dismissing its case against Heywood H. Davis and KC Power & Light

Co. As a result of an order denying the company's motion to dismiss the KCEC v. KCP&L action or transfer it to the Kansas court, certain issues raised in the dismissed action will now be raised in the Missouri action negotiations with an unnamed third party which contemplate the possible acquisition by such company of KG&E. KG&E also announced that it has offered to make available information that is being provided to other parties.

-30- 832

#90264c0435 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Watts Industries Inc.(TICKER: WATT) earned $27.70 million, or $2.18 per share, on revenues of $291.86 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $23.02 million, or $1.82 per share, on revenues of $223.87 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 486

#90264c0436 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Kewaunee Scientific Corp.(TICKER: KEQU) earned $76,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $17.72 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $346,000, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $18.27 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 481

#90264c0437 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Direct Connect International Inc.(TICKER: KIDZ) lost $167,234, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $576,554 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $90,251, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $38,633 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 481

#90264c0438 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Quartz Inc.(TICKER: QURZ) lost $179,469, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $1,593 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $178,498, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $499 for the same period in 1989.

The company is a develpment stage firm attempting to start up a quartz

processing line.

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#90264c0439 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Wellington Hall Ltd.(TICKER: WHAL) earned $98,539, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $1.34 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $90,508, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $1.43 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 487
#90264c0440 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Village Green Bookstore Inc.(TICKER: BOOK) earned $3,383, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.82 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $105,286, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.74 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 496
#90264c0442 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pavichevich Brewing Co.(TICKER: BRAU) lost $214,443, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $309,964 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $243,369, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $56,197 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 466
#90264c0443 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows National Health Enhancement Services Inc.(TICKER: NHES) earned $192,181, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $1.04 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $29,699, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $929,717 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 511
#90264c0444 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Provident Group Inc.(TICKER: FPGI) lost $416,000, or $0.06 per share, on

revenues of $1.31 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $83,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $3,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 472

#90264c0445 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Techniclone International Corp.(TICKER: TCLN) lost $334,010, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $84,005 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $535,291, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $38,117 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 487

#90264c0446 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Entertainment Corporation of America earned $84,806, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.47 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $20,006, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.08 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 505

#90264c0447 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Citizens Growth Properties (TICKER: CITG) lost $16,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $49,000 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $838,000, or $1.96 per share, on revenues of $77,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 473

#90264c0448 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Excalibur Technologies Corp.(TICKER: EXCA) lost $688,393, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $428,346 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $345,875, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $372,177 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480

#90264c0450 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Central Financial Corp. earned $106,874, or $0.43 per share, for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $349,324, or $1.40 per share, in fiscal 1989.

-30- 393
#90264c0451 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ENTERPRISES TURNBERRY OF C/O EDDI ANTON, 999 PONCE DE LEON BLVD, STE 750 CORAL GABLES, FL 33134, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,980 SHARES OF SOUTHLAND COMMUNICATIONS INC.(TICKER: SCII) THROUGH BHC SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(SOUTHLAND COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 714 664-1600)

-30- 487
#90264c0452 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.D. HAYES OF 3749 TOWNDALE DR, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55431, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,600 SHARES OF APPLIANCE RECYCLING CENTERS OF AMERICA THROUGH WESTONKA INVESTMENTS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 19, 1990.

(APPLIANCE RECYCLING CTRS OF AMER TEL: 612 291-1100)

-30- 462
#90264c0453 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.D. FRAME OF 934 LONGVIEW DR, SUGARLAND, TX 77478, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,747 SHARES OF DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. (TICKER: DREAF) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 19, 1990.

(DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. TEL: 403 463-2065)

-30- 423
#90264c0454 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.K. SCHADER OF 1050 WALNUT ST, SUITE 401, BOULDER, CO 80302, HAS FILED TO SELL 814,000 SHARES OF DELTA PETROLEUM CORP. THROUGH MLB INVESTMENTS LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(DELTA PETROLEUM CORP. TEL: 303 293-9133)

-30- 418
#90264c0455 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CITICORP VENTURE CAPITAL LTD OF 153 EAST 53RD STREET, 5TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10043, HAS FILED TO SELL 194,600 SHARES OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: AX) THROUGH FREIMARK BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. TEL: 212 644-6900)

-30- 479
#90264c0456 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G. SKUFCA OF 2191 WEST DRY CREEK RD, LITTLETON, CO 80120, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF WORK RECOVERY INC. THROUGH TRI-BRADLEY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 14, 1990.

(WORK RECOVERY INC. TEL: 602 322-6634)

-30- 398
#90264c0458 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.T. JOHNSON OF 1537 S SHOOTING STAR DR, GOLDEN, CO 80401, HAS FILED TO SELL 900,000 SHARES OF LORD ABBOTT INC. THROUGH NATIONAL SECS NETWORK. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(LORD ABBOTT INC. TEL: 303 572-1131)

-30- 403
#90264c0459 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARITIME TRANSPORT & TECHNOLOGY OF 161 WEST 15TH CT #7A, NEW YORK, NY 10011, HAS FILED TO SELL 389,000 SHARES OF MARITIME TRANS & TECHNOLOGY INC. THROUGH M RIMSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(MARITIME TRANS & TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 212 797-3030)

-30- 451
#90264c0461 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NAOMI STEIN OF 713 WILDWOOD RD, W HEMPSTEAD, NY 11552, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 19, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 415
#90264c0473 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, J.M. GLOYD, PRES. OF BELLBROOK BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,123.

-30- 310
#90264c0474 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, C.R. POSTON, DIR. OF BELLBROOK BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90264c0475 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 29, 1990, E.A. LOPEZ, OFFICER OF CORPUS CHRISTI BANCSHARES BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 324
#90264c0476 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 29, 1990, R.J. PHILLIPS, DIR. OF CORPUS CHRISTI BANCSHARES BOUGHT 950 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,450.

-30- 326
#90264c0478 09/21/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON MARCH 2, 1988, JENSEN DEVELOPMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF CROFF OIL CO. BOUGHT 242,000 SHARES AT $0.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,192,000.

-30- 324
#90264c0479 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MARCH 17, 1988, G.L. JENSEN, PRES. OF CROFF OIL CO. BOUGHT 351,800 SHARES AT $0.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 372,800.

-30- 291
#90264c0480 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, B.M. FARMER, DIR. OF FIDELITY FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,994.

-30- 314
#90264c0481 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, P.A. CARROLL, DIR. OF CORONA CORP. (TICKER: ICR), SOLD 3,200 CLASS A SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 312,290.

-30- 303
#90264c0482 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, P.A. CARROLL, DIR. OF CORONA CORP. (TICKER: ICR), BOUGHT 3,200 CLASS A SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,825.

-30- 308
#90264c0483 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, D.J. MELVIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NIX-O-TINE PHARMACEUTICALS LTD. (TICKER: NIXX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 102,950.

-30- 361
#90264c0484 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 2, 1990, F.M. PASCOE, OFFICER OF NEWBRIDGE NETWORKS CORP. (TICKER: NNXC), SOLD 17,714 SHARES AT $5.76 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 109,000.

-30- 328
#90264c0486 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, T.R. MATHEWS, BEN. OWNER OF AIX CORP. BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 247
#90264c0487 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, T.R. MATHEWS, BEN. OWNER OF AIX CORP. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 251
#90264c0488 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, T.R. MATHEWS, BEN. OWNER OF AIX CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 247
#90264c0489 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 30, 1990, T.R. MATHEWS, BEN. OWNER OF AIX CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 247
#90264c0490 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, T.R. MATHEWS, BEN. OWNER OF AIX CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 247
#90264c0491 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, T.R. MATHEWS, BEN. OWNER OF AIX CORP. BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 251
#90264c0492 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, T.R. MATHEWS, BEN. OWNER OF AIX CORP. BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 247
#90264c0494 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, T.R. MATHEWS, BEN. OWNER OF AIX CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 247
#90264c0495 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 30, 1990, T.R. MATHEWS, BEN. OWNER OF AIX CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 247
#90264c0496 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, T.R. MATHEWS, BEN. OWNER OF AIX CORP. BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,100.

-30- 285
#90264c0497 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, T.R. MATHEWS, BEN. OWNER OF AIX CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

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#90264c0498 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 30, 1990, T.R. MATHEWS, BEN. OWNER OF AIX CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 247
#90264c0499 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, J.A. COPELAND, DIR. OF BALTIMORE AMERICAN SAVINGS BANK FSB BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,550.

-30- 330
#90264c0500 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 26, 1990, R.L. BALDWIN, OFFICER OF WINFED FINANCIAL CORP. SOLD 400 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90264c0502 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 30, 1990, R.L. BALDWIN, OFFICER OF WINFED FINANCIAL CORP. SOLD 584 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,816.

-30- 305
#90264c0503 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, M.S. LAPERA, VP OF FCNB CORP SOLD 750 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,356.

-30- 266
#90264c0504 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DONALD E PEASE, DIR. OF CURTICE-BURNS FOODS INC. (TICKER: CBI), BOUGHT 165 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 1,154.

-30- 319
#90264c0525 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, GEORGE W FRANK JR, SHAREHOLDER OF INEFFICIENT-MARKET FUND INC. (TICKER: IMF), SOLD 1,008 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90264c0547 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JON D STEPHENS, CHAIRMAN OF SAGE ANALYTICS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: SAII), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 553,903.

-30- 345
#90264c0568 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, VAN KAMPEN MERRITT INC, BEN. OWNER OF VAN KAMPEN MERRITT INTERNMEDIATE HIGH INCOME TRUST (TICKER: VIT), BOUGHT 4,800 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 367
#90264c0578 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY E.I. MACK OWNS 3,780,000 SHARES (17.40%) OF MIZLOU COMMUNICATIONS (TICKER: MZLU) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 10, 1990, pursuant to separate subscription agreements, dated as of Sept. 6, 1990, with the company , Mr. Mack, the Trust, LLE and LGI purchased $25,000, $45,000, $7,500 and $12,500, respectively, principal amount of the company's series B 12 percent senior secured convertible notes and $225,000, $405,000, $67,500 and $112,500, respectively, principal amount of the company's series B 12 percent senior secured notes together with the series B convertible notes. The series B senior notes are due upon the earlier of the closing of a second financing or Nov. 30, 1990. The series B convertible notes

are due on demand on or after the earlier of the closing of a second financing or Nov. 30, 1990. Prior to the execution of the waiver, Mr. Mack had designated Kamal Mustafa as the designee of the holders of the notes to serve on the company's board and the executive and audit committees. The consulting letter, dated July 6, 1990 has been amended as of Sept. 10, 1990 with respect to the retention of Mr. Mustafa as a private financial consultant to Mr. Mack. Mr. Joseph Cohen, a director of and the president of LLE, and a member of the company's board and affiliated committees, resigned Sept. 4, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Subscription agreements.

-30- 1616
#90264c0580 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 22

D.F. LAROCHE OF NORTH KINGSTON, RI OWNS 1,851,797 SHARES (79.16%) OF NECO ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: NPT) OF PROVIDENCE, RI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 20, 1990, the company issued Mr. Laroche 136,110 shares, and as trustee, 20,833 shares in conversion of $1,130,000 of NECO debentures held by Mr. LaRoche, individually, and as trustee, respectively. On Sept. 6, 1990, the Amoskeag Bank filed with the United States District Court a summons in a civil action against David F. LaRoche claiming LaRoche has defaulted in his obligations under the notes and security agreements dated Dec. 7, 1989. The bank filed a motion for issuance of a writ of prejudgment attachment of $3,500,000 as a security for collection of the judgment sought against LaRoche in the amount of $3,143,60383, plus interest, costs and attorneys' fees. The bank is holding as security to the LaRoche loans 602,608 shares of common stock of the company.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 20, 1990, Mr. LaRoche acquired through conversion of debentures 156,943 shares at a price of $7.20 per share.

-30- 1285
#90264c0581 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M.A. KEAN RAYNOLDS OWNS 235,472 SHARES (2.90%) OF CONSTELLATION BANCORP (TICKER: CSTL) OF ELIZABETH, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 4, 1990, M.A. Kean Raynolds purchased 1,000 shares for $10 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 452
#90264c0582 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GLB BENJAMIN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING WORKS DEFINED BPP OWNS 58,700 SHARES (4.70%) OF FITCHBURG GAS & ELECTRIC LIGHT CO (TICKER: FGE) OF FITCHBURG, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As of Sept. 18, 1990, Messrs. Louis Brause and Peter Feinberg and Benjamin Profit Sharing and Benjamin Pension are no longer members of the group and have been replaced by the following: Berta Gleizer, Cynthia Salzhauer, Michael Salzhauer, Charles Salzhauer, Benjamin Electrical Engineering Works Defined Benefit Pension Plan and CHH Realty Profit Sharing Plan. Due to such changes, Benjamin Electrical Engineering Works Defined Benefit Pension Plan longer own more than 5 percent of Fitchburg Gas & Electric Co.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 27, 1990 through Sept. 7, 1990, Benjamin Electrical Engineering Works Defined Benefit Pension Plan sold 1,700 shares from FBE for a price of $29.18 per share and purchased 20,200 shares at a price of $26.53 to $28.14 per share.

-30- 1180
#90264c0583 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

UNITY MUTUAL LIFE INSUR CO OWNS 1,515,813 SHARES (91.13%) OF EMPIRE STATE LIFE INSUR (TICKER: ESLI) OF SYRACUSE, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 14, 1990, Unity Mutual Life Insurance Co. purchased 374,107 shares for $804,330.

-30- 449
#90264c0585 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY PLACER DOME INC OF VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA OWNS 3,062,282 SHARES (34.40%) OF CONTINENTAL GOLD CORP (TICKER: CNTV) OF VANCOUVER, BC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Placer Dome Inc. have commenced two tender offers for Continental Gold Corp.'s shares that expires on Oct. 23, 1990. Under the Placer offer, Continental Gold Corp.'s shares will be exchanged for Placer shares and under the 385279 offer, Continental Gold Corp.'s shares will be exchanged for Cdn. $20 per share. Shareholders may choose one or any combination of the two offers.

-30- 754
#90264c0587 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 33

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 17, 1990, the company delivered financial information to Stahl that included financial projections and assumptions prepared by the company, which are included in the exhibits. On Sept. 20, 1990, Stahl said he was pleased with Apple's (TICKER: APK) choice to terminate two trusts formed last week to fund legal possible legal battles with Stahl should they arise.

-30- 587
#90264c0588 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 41

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Stahl is filing as an exhibit his form 14D-1, amendment no. 33.

-30- 254
#90264c0590 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 14, 1990 and Aug. 16, 1990 Cosmo Securities Europe LTD sold 5,000 and 105,000 shares respectively and on Sept. 6, 1990 sold 600,000 shares, all at undisclosed prices.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 445
#90264c0591 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

J.L. CASTLE II OF BLUE BELL, PA OWNS 2,626,518 SHARES (31.12%) OF CASTLE ENERGY CORP (TICKER: CECX) OF BLUE BELL, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 14, 1990, Castle Energy Corp.'s registration statement on Form S-1 was declared effective by the SEC. As a result of an audit of J.L. Castle II's shares subsequent to the audit, it was determined that J.L. Castle II has sole power over 920,518 shares and not 892,802 shares as previously reported.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On June 29, 1990, J.L. Castle II gave 200 shares as a gift to Princeton University.

-30- 762
#90264c0592 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY O.D. FOLGER OWNS 2,145,289 SHARES (51.50%) OF GMI GROUP INC (TICKER: GMED) OF MIDLAND PARK, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

O.D. Folger have each been granted a seven year option to purchase 500,000 shares at $.25 per share. The stake listed includes the unexercised options for 1.5 million shares.

-30- 500
#90264c0593 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY C.G. GREFENSTETTE TRUSTEE OWNS 1,729,350 SHARES (15.80%) OF CAL GRAPHITE CORP (TICKER: CALG) OF VANCOUVER, BC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

C.G. Grefenstette acquired additional shares as a result of a 3 for 2 stock split.

-30- 439
#90264c0594 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY J.F. NORTHWAY OWNS 113,412 SHARES (15.20%) OF DOVER REGIONAL FINANCIAL SHARES (TICKER: DVRF) OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.F. Northway purchased 31,555 shares from July 23 to Aug. 12, 1990 for $4.44 to $5.31 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment and to have a significant equity interest in Dover Regional Financial Shares.

-30- 582
#90264c0595 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - Forum Group Inc.(TICKER: FOUR), an Indianapolis-based developer and operator of retirement homes, has defaulted on $2.76 million in interest payments due on its 6.25 percent convertible subordinated debentures due August 15, 2011.

Forum Group decided not to make the Aug. 15 interest payments because it is planning a financial restructuring.

The company has asked debentureholders to suspend any action against the default while it considers the restructuring proposal, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 21, 1990.

-30- 808
#90264c0596 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - Kyocera Corp.(TICKER: KYO), the Japanese manufacturing giant, has agreed to pay $66 million toward the cleanup of wastes in New Bedford (Mass.) Harbor under a settlement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the state of Massachusetts.

Kyocera's liability for the cleanup stems from the operations of its wholly owned AVX Corp. subsidiary, formerly known as Aervox Corp.

The payments could increase if the total cleanup costs exceed $130.5 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 21, 1990.

-30- 812
#90264c0598 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY PHOENIX PARTNERS OWNS 2,721,091 SHARES (10.02%) OF SUNWARD TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: SUNT) OF SAN DIEGO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Phoenix Partners hold 1,408,591 common shares, 75,000 series A preferred shares, convertible into 750,000 common shares, and warrants to purchase 562,500 common shares.

-30- 523
#90264c0599 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As expected, NII (TICKER: NII) extended its offer on Sept. 21, 1990 from Sept. 25 to Oct. 5, 1990.

-30- 304
#90264c0600 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

KAISER-FRANCIS OIL CO OWNS 439,088 SHARES (9.97%) OF FARM & HOME FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: FAHS) OF NEVADA, MO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As of Aug. 31, 1990, the Betty E. Kaiser Keogh Plan owned 1,120 shares of the common stock of Farm & Home Financial Corp. and 563 shares of Farm & Home Financial Corp.'s series A cumulative exchange preferred stock which disclaims any beneficial interest. The 62,500 shares of series D cumulative voting convertible preferred stock of the issuer were, on Aug. 31, 1990, convertible into 62,500 shares of common stock of Farm & Home Financial Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From June 6, 1990 through Aug. 31, 1990, Kaiser-Francis Oil Co. purchased 107,134 shares at a price of $8.63 to $21.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 991
#90264c0601 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP OWNS 2,055,536 SHARES (43.60%) OF MNX INC (TICKER: MNXI) OF ST. JOSEPH, MO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The partnership and Mr. Matney verbally formed a group on Sept. 12, 1990 to participate in the acquisition of shares of common stock. Mr. Matney purchased 40,000 shares on Sept. 12, 1990 and assumed the purchase of 40,000 shares of the 65,000 shares acquired by the partnership on Aug. 28, 1990. Morgan Keegan Co. Inc and Mr. Matney rescinded the purchase of 40,000 shares at 3.5625 per share by the partnership on Aug. 28, 1990 and confirmed the sale of those 40,000 to Mr. Matney at $3.5625 per share. On Sept. 12, 1990, Mr. Matney acquired 40,000 shares of common stock from Morgan Keegan at $4.0625 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 27, 1990 through Sept. 12, 1990, Crouch RCE Partnership acquired 262,500 shares at a price of averaged prices of $3.80 to $3.81 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1167
#90264c0602 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY W.B. TANNER OWNS 2,142,634 SHARES (56.70%) OF CHANCELLOR CORP (TICKER: CHCR) OF BOSTON, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment reflects a re-allocation of shares beneficially owned by certain of the reporting persons under the terms of an executive equity incentive agreement with Bruncor Inc.: Mr. Tanner's titles have been deleted since he is no longer an officer or director of the company; Mr. Morison's and Mr. Sprong's titles have been amended to read in their entirety "Vice Chairman

President, Chief Executive Officer and a Director; and " Senior Vice President, Treasurer and a Director." Since Mr. Tanner now owns less than 5 percent of the company's common stock, he will make no further reports on schedule 13d and no longer will be deemed to be one of the reporting persons.

PURPOSE:

To reflect re-allocation of shares beneficially owned.

-30- 1083
#90264c0603 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY MICROSEMI CORP OF SANTA ANA, CA OWNS 628,961 SHARES (8.80%) OF SFE TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: SFEM) OF SAN FERNANDO, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 10, 1990, Microsemi Corp. purchased 100,000 shares of company's common stock for an aggregate consideration of $9,000.

PURPOSE:

Maximization of investment.

-30- 530
#90264c0604 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 489,506 SHARES (6.57%) OF BIG B INC (TICKER: BIGB) OF BIRMINGHAM, AL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 16, 1990 through Sept. 11 1990, Big B Inc. purchased 20,000 shares at a price of $10 to $10.13 per share and sold 159,500 shares at a price of $6.38 to $10.50 per share.

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#90264c0606 09/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY G.R. RAFAEL OWNS 847,800 SHARES (8.70%) OF ORIENT EXPRESS HOTELS INC (TICKER: OEH) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment no. 4 deletes all references to Mr. Lee and James B. Sherwood to the schedule 13d. On July 1, 1987, in a private transaction, Mr. Lee sold his entire interest in common shares of the company to Arral & Partners Ltd. for $499,881.55 and on August 3, 1987, in a private transaction, Arral & Partners Ltd. sold 50 percent of such interest to Mr. George Rafael for $251,389.28. Accordingly, Mr. Lee can no longer be considered as a member of a group with in the meaning of section 13d3 of the 1934 Act with G.R. Rafael. Effective Sept. 19, 1990, the reporting purchasers consider themselves voted not to be members of such a group with Mr. Sherwood and terminate their agreement with Mr. Sherwood to file as such a group. In Item 2 and schedule A of the schedule 13d, all references to James Lo have been deleted and have been replaced by inserting the following: "Ramon Lo, Director and Company Secretary, is a citizen of Canada."

-30- 1302
#90264d0110 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) - British Defense Secretary Tom King met here Friday with President George Bush and said the issue of forming a unified command for allied forces confronting Iraq in the Gulf has yet to be resolved.

The matter of command structure for the allied forces "has not been resolved yet," Mr. King said in a television interview prior to his meeting at the White Huse with Mr. Bush and national security advisor Brent Scowcroft.

White House spokesman Roman Popadiuk would say only that the men "discussed developments in the ongoing situation in the Gulf," and Mr. Bush "expressed his deep appreciation" for Britain's decision to send military forces to the Gulf.

On Thursday, Mr. King also met with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney.

In discussing delays in establishing a command structure in the Gulf, Mr. King indicated that there was no problem in possibly placing British forces under a U.S. commander.

There is "nothing new about that. We've had 40 years of NATO together and that's got a supreme commander who's American," he said.

He hinted instead that there were problems concerning the role of Saudi Arabia.

"I'm not sure everybody understands that the Saudis, as the host country, are in a very important position," he said.

Earlier this month, the Pentagon dismissed rumors of there being any friction between General Norman Schwarzkopf, commander of the U.S. forces in the Gulf, and Saudi General Khaled ben Sultan.

The U.S. general reportedly demanded autonomous command after he was told Saudi Arabia would object to having its territory used to attack Iraq.

Despite U.S. insistance later that Saudi-U.S. military cooperation was good,

observers pointed out that it was still unclear who would give the orders in case war broke out.

"It's quite a complex situation," Mr. King said. "It works alright on the ground at the moment, but we've got to make sure that we really tie it together in a way that it will stand the strain of all these much bigger numbers involved."

Regarding air and naval forces in the Gulf, Mr. King said, "there is a plan ... they know how to coordinate their actions."

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#90264d0140 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 21) - Eleven Iraqi diplomats expelled from France arrived here late Friday from Paris and were to proceed immediately to Baghdad, informed sources said.

The diplomats, whose expulsion was announced last week by French authorities, were accompanied by their families. They declined to speak to the press.

France decided to send home the Iraqi military attache, his two assistants, some identified intelligence officers and 26 non-commissioned officers in training there after Iraqi troops stormed through the French ambassador's residence in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

On Friday, Iraq ordered the tit-for-tat expulsion of 11 French embassy staffers, including the military attache who was detained by Iraqi troops earlier this month in the invasion of the French embassy.

Iraq Friday also ordered the expulsion of the West German, Italian, Spanish and Egyptian military attaches in Baghdad.

After Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2 and annexed the country six days later,

the Iraqi authorities decreed on August 24 that all foreign diplomatic missions in the country no longer had diplomatic status and that their employees would be treated like ordinary foreign citizens with no immunity.

-30- 1402

#90264d0230 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (SEPT. 21) - The brother of a former Kenyan member of parliament was sentenced to four years' imprisonment Friday for membership of a clandestine movement, Kenyan radio reported.

Charles Kiria Wamwere is the younger brother of former Mp for Nakuru North, Koigi Wa Wamwere, and was sentenced for being a member of the Kenya Patriotic Front, the radio said.

He admitted that between 1st October 1987 and the 10th of this month, when he was arrested, he was a member of the illegal underground movement, it said.

Wamwere had been to ''a neighbouring country, where he underwent intensive training in guerrilla warfare, and returned home this year to further the objectives of the movement'', the radio reported.

-30- 881

#90264d0390 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LE LUC, France (SEPT. 21) - Three major forest fires raged in southeastern France Friday, destroying several thousand acres of woodland and at least 15 houses and forcing the evacuation of others.

More than 1500 firemen and soldiers using 350 vehicles and 14 aircraft were battling the blazes.

The worst of the three fires broke out Friday at Les Arcs, where it destroyed woods of oak, chestnut and pine.

Earlier in the day, one broke out at Montaroux, 15 kilometres (11 miles) from the city of Grasse, and another at La Mole, spreading rapidly toward Cavalaire across the bay from St. Tropez.

The aircraft had to be called off the job at nightfall as the firefighters battled to keep the flames from getting a grip on urban areas, and firefighters were due to arrive from adjoining regions.

-30- 962

#90264d0830 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (SEPT 21) - Ghanaian Lieutenant General Arnold Quainoo remains the overall commander of the West African peaceeping force in Liberia, made up of

contingents from Ghana, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, The Gambia and Guinea, according to reports Friday night from Lagos.

The reports quoted a Nigerian government spokesman as saying ''Quainoo has neither resigned nor been sacked.''

They said ground operations would be run by Nigeria's Joshua Dogonyaro, who had been named in earlier reports from Lagos as replacing Quainoo.

Sources in Accra confirmed earlier Friday that Quainoo had left for Monrovia Thursday to continue with his duties after talks with leaders of those countries contributing troops to his force.

The sources said Dogonyaro had been appointed to join the command of the force but stressed that Quainoo was still the overall head. They added that other appointments from various countries contributing to the force are to follow.

There are said to be some 1,500 more troops waiting in Sierra Leone to move into Liberia to enforce a ceasefire, in addition to 4,000 already in Liberia.

The Ghanaian government Friday night said no country had the right to take unilateral decisions regarding the force in view of its multi-national nature.

-30- 1471

#90264d1110 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (SEPT 22) - Poland's parliament on Friday voted to hold presidential elections by the end of the year.

Parliament also agreed in the same resolution that the lower and upper houses would vote their dissolution by the end of March with a view to organizing new legislative elections.

The move came after President Wojciech Jaruzelski announced Wednesday that he would resign as soon as a new head of state could be elected.

General Jaruzelski was elected July 1989 to a six-year term.

Solidarity Union leader Lech Walesa announced on Monday he was running for president. Other potential candidates, such as Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, have yet to declare their intentions.

The current lower house of parliament was elected in June 1989 for four years, in a partially open vote which gave 65 per cent of the seats to the then ruling communist party and its allies. The upper house, the result of free elections, is composed nearly entirely of Solidarity members.

In its resolution Friday, adopted by 252 votes for, with 17 against and 50

abstaining, parliament voted to shorten the terms of both the executive and the legislature after taking into account the "political changes Poland has undergone" since they were elected.

The first East European country to be headed by a non-communist government, Poland has yet to have a freely elected parliament or president.

Many Poles had been calling for the resignation of Gen. Jaruzelski, whose 1981 declaration of martial law had brought an abrupt halt to the liberalization of Poland and the development of a free union movement under communism.

-30- 1818

#90264d1240 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (SEPT 22) - Ghana's foreign ministry denied on Friday that General Arnold Quainoo, the Ghanaian commander of the five-nation West African peacekeeping force in Liberia, had been replaced by a Nigerian.

In a statement the ministry said Gen. Quainoo, in a recent round of consultations with Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Chairman Dawda Jawara of the Gambia and heads of state of contributing countries, recommended that Nigeria appoint a field commander to strengthen the command structure of the Liberian intervention force.

The statement said Gen. Quainoo's recommendations had been accepted by ECOWAS and that Nigeria had then appointed a field commander.

A Nigerian government spokesman on Thursday said Gen. Quainoo was being replaced as head of the ECOWAS monitoring force known as ECOMOG by Nigerian General Joshua Dogonyaro.

The Ghanaian foreign ministry said appointments from other countries participating in ECOMOG would "follow in due course in light of the augmented troop numbers."

The foreign ministry statement said no country had the right to take unilateral decisions about ECOMOG because of the multinational nature of the force. It said Gen. Quainoo remained at his post.

Meanwhile, in Lagos, several unions and human rights associations, in a joint appeal published Friday, called for the Nigerian armed forces to withdraw from the intervention force.

The communique said the situation in Liberia "does not call for a military solution" and asked the Nigerian government to send humanitarian aid instead of troops to Liberia.

#90264d1250 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRASILIA (SEPT 21) - Brazil sold 60 million dollars worth of weaponry to Saudi Arabia while difficult negotiations were underway to win the release of 300 Brazilian technicians trapped in Iraq, officials said here Friday.

Foreign Minister Francisco Rezek was apparently taken aback by the timing of the weapons sales that were announced in Riyadh while negotiations for the Brazilians' release were going on in Baghdad.

"This is the moment to avoid transactions of this type," said Mr. Rezek, who expressed surprise and was visibly embarrassed by the announcement of the weapons sales.

He said Saudi Arabia "was considered by the West as a stabilizing factor in the Middle East, and without belligerent tendencies."

Brazilian diplomats were negotiating Thursday in Baghdad to evacuate some 300 Brazilian technicians working in the country since before the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Globo television reported here Thursday that an agreement had been struck for the departure of Brazilian workers for Mendes Junior public works company,

Volkswagen-Brasil automobile, Maxion farming equipment manufacturer and HBA military engineers.

They were to be flown out of the country Saturday by Iraqi Airways at a cost of 320,000 dollars paid by Brazil, officials said.

Iraq had earlier refused to let them leave the country, arguing that they had not fulfilled the terms of their contracts.

But Brazilian firms insisted that they could not press ahead with the work because financing and supplies had been stopped by the international trade embargo against Iraq.

The Iraqi Embassy here announced Friday that "in the name of friendship" between the two countries the technicians were free to leave or travel inside Iraq.

Meanwhile, witnesses said the privately-owned weapons company Avibras had begun moving "Astros 2" missile batteries from its plant in Sao Paulo state to the nearby Santos port.

From there, the missiles were to be shipped to Saudi Arabia.

The sale of the 10,000 missiles -- 127, 180 and 300 millimeter projectiles in

so-called "Stalin organ" battery configuration -- was announced in Riyadh.

-30- 2374

#90264d5130 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 21) - Australia's largest company, Broken Hill Proprietary Co. Ltd. (BHP), announced Friday a 20 percent jump in net profits to 329.6 million dollars (272 million U.S.) in the three months to Aug. 31, despite a poor steel performance.

After abnormal gains, largely from the sale in June of a 30 percent stake in Woodside Petroleum, the diversified mining, petroleum and steel producer posted a 60 percent profit surge to 435 million dollars (359 million U.S.).

Gross operating profit for the period was up 17 percent to 506.8 million dollars (417.7 million U.S.).

The company said higher petrol and iron ore prices and sales boosted net profit, which compared with 275.2 million dollars (227 million U.S.) in the previous quarter.

The result was struck on a 25.4 percent increase in revenue to 4.3 billion dollars (3.5 billion U.S.).

BHP said the steel group's profit slid 22 percent to 114.8 million dollars (94.6 million U.S.) as domestic sales slumped and raw material and other costs rose.

The mineral arm's profit of 131.2 million dollars (108 million U.S.) was in line with the previous result, it said.

The petroleum division's bottom line soared 280 percent to 231.9 million dollars (191 million U.S.) largely because of the 114 million dollar (94 million U.S.) windfall from the sale of 200 million Woodside shares.

The corporate division notched up a 80 percent rise to 72.4 million dollars (60 million U.S.) largely due to assets sales and improved treasury operations.

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SYDNEY (SEPT. 21) - Ansett Airlines of Australia has sliced 163 Australian dollars (134 U.S.) off return fares between Sydney and Melbourne, the country's most popular flight, the company announced Friday.

Ansett General Manager Graeme McMahon said in a statement that the off peak return fare on 28 specific flights would be 245 dollars (202 U.S.) compared to the normal 408 dollars (336 U.S.) from October 1.

Cuts in domestic airfares had been anticipated ahead of deregulation of the airways on November 1.

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MANILA (SEPT. 21) - A massive increase in rice production is needed over the next 30 years to avert potential famine, the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) said in an annual report issued here Friday.

The spread of urban centers, lack of new technological breakthroughs on crop yields and population growth, which results in up to 100 million new rice consumers each year, were at the root of the problem, the Philippine-based IRRI said.

"In 30 years, the earth will be home to eight billion people. More than half -- 4.3 billion, almost as many as inhabit the earth today -- will be rice consumers," the report said.

"Feeding them will require a massive increase in global rice production, from today's 470 million tons to 760 million tons" which even if it could be achieved "will merely maintain current nutrition levels which are already inadquate for hundreds of millions of people," it added.

IRRI said surpluses and low market prices in the late 1980's gave researchers a "false impression that the world's rice problems have been solved. They forgot just how precarious the line is between sufficient rice and potential famine."

The institute stressed that overall contraction of the world economy, lack of foreign exchange in many debt-ridden countries and strong agricultural protectionism in some industrialized countries accounted for depressed prices between 1982 and 1987 as much as productivity gains.

At the close of the decade, rice production growth in Asia, the world's main rice growing and consuming region, "once more fell behind population-driven growth in demand" and rice stocks fell to 13 per cent of consumption, the lowest ratio since the world food crisis in the early 1970's.

Two consecutive poor harvests have since driven world prices up and newly self-sufficient India, Indonesia and the Philippines had again began to import rice, illustrating the "narrow margin between self-sufficiency and potential famine in most of monsoon Asia,", it added.

"Prospects for a rapid recovery of production are dim," it added.

IRRI said new major technological finds that would ensure abundant rice

supplies for the next decade were "yet to be found" and "global as well as Asian shortfalls in rice production relative to demand" were likely to raise world prices "into the 21st century."

IRRI, based in Los Banos town south of Manila, is an autonomous, non-profit agricultural research and training center set up in 1960 to help raise total food production from rice-based farming systems in developing countries.

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#90264d5410 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 21) - The petrochemical industry is expected to face weakening demand worldwide in the next two years even as East Asian countries vie to become major producers, analysts said here.

In a paper delivered at the Petrochem '90 conference here Thursday, Joseph Leonard, vice-president of Chem Systems, cautioned that the international market could become swamped by petrochemical products from Asia.

Petrochemicals is one of the star sectors in the Singapore economy while Malaysia and Thailand are also developing their own industry.

Lee Suan Hiang, of Singapore's investment promotion body, the Economic Development Board (EDB), echoed concerns that over-capacity could lead to an industry downturn, like it did in the early 1980's.

Mr. Leonard said that between 1992 and 1995, plants in Southeast Asia, South Korea, Taiwan and China would add nearly five million tonnes of additional ethylene capacity and these new products would be entering a saturated market in the West.

"A flood of petrochemical imports from the East Asian region into the already over-supplied markets of the United States and Western Europe could have a devastating impact on petrochemical pricing and profitability," Mr. Leonard said.

He said a confrontation loomed between Asia and the West which "should best be avoided through regional self-discipline in petrochemical project planning since no one will win."

Mr. Leonard called for more alliances between producers in Asia and partners who have more experience in marketing and access to global markets.

The two-day Petrochem '90 conference, organised by Times Conferences and supported by the EDB, wound up here Friday with technical presentations.

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#90264d5450 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 21) - Rising crude oil prices triggered by the Gulf crisis are expected to curb Japan's gross national product (GNP) growth rate, Economic Planning Agency (EPA) director-general Hideyuki Aizawa said Friday.

If the crisis is extended, the GNP growth would be trimmed by 0.2 percent in the first year and 0.3 percent in the second year, Aizawa warned at a meeting of cabinet ministers.

The estimates have been made based upon the Epa's world economic model assuming the crude oil price of 25 dollars a barrel against 18 dollars before Iraq's invasion of Kuwait in early August, he said.

The Epa announced Japan's economic expansion has entered the 46th consecutive month in September, with adverse effects of higher commodity prices and interest rates due ot the Gulf crisis yet to be reflected in domestic prices and corporate capital investment.

Japan's GNP grew by a real 0.9 percent during the April-June period over the previous quarter. It put the GNP 7.5 percent higher than over the April-June 1989 period.

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#90264d5610 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 21) - West German carrier Lufthansa has been given permission to operate the first scheduled air service between Singapore and Vietnam, which is aimed at European business travellers.

Lufthansa's General Manager Klaus-Peter Maier was quoted by newspapers reports Friday as saying that the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) gave the approval for the Singapore to Ho Chi Minh City service on Tuesday, two weeks after the airline submitted its application.

The approval means that Lufthansa has full rights to drop off and pick up passengers and cargo in Singapore for its flight to Vietnam.

The inaugural flight between the two countries is scheduled for October 30.

Mr. Maier said that the service was aimed at business travellers from Europe and Lufthansa believed that it was also able to tap the rising number of Asian businessmen visiting the communist country.

He added that the number of tourists to Vietnam was also expected to rise.

Singapore does not encourage direct investment in Vietnam which is attracting droves of businessmen from around the world in the last two years due to its very liberal investment laws.

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#90264d6010 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FLENSBURG (SEPT. 21) - New vehicle registrations in West Germany in the month of August reached 251,000, up 17 percent on the same month last year, the Federal Office of Vehicles said here Friday.

The office said private cars accounted for 224,088 of the total, up 16.1 per cent on August 1989 levels.

For the first eight months of 1990, just over 2.3 million new road vehicles were registered, up 6.8 percent over the same period last year. Private car registrations accounted for about two million, up six percent, the office said.

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#90264d6100 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CARACAS (SEPT. 21) - Venezuela's chamber of deputies has overwhelmingly approved a bill authorizing the renegotiation of the country's 20.6 billion dollar debt with commercial banks.

The government of President Carlos Andres Perez worked out agreements with more than 400 creditor banks to restructure the debt so as to reduce principal by 20 percent and interest payments by half.

The banks were given a list of five options: to reduce the principal; to reduce interest temporarily or permanently; to repurchase the debt at secondary market prices; or new credits in the form of fresh money.

The bill approved Thursday authorizes the president to issue new securities, buy zero coupon U.S. Treasury bonds to guarantee interest payments, and borrow from the International Monetary Fund and World Bank to buy the Treasury bonds.

Voting for the bill were the three major parties -- the ruling Democratic Action Party, the Social Christian party COPEI and the leftist Movement Toward Socialism as well as two small rightits parties aligned with the government.

The bill passed with the support of 90 percent of the 201 member chamber and was assured passage by the Senate Friday.

Mr. Perez, in a radio address, said "this is not a solution to the debt problem, nor the panacea of all our problems, but it is a great relief and we have a clear panorama."

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#90264d6130 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (SEPT. 21) - A total of 45,731 bags of Kenyan coffee were offered for sale to markets at the weekly auction here, and 45,657 bags were sold for an average 2,161.60 Kenyan pounds (1,865.86 dollars) per ton.

The market adjusted downwards by six to eight dollars, while the lowest qualities remained very firm.

To date, 2,139,559 bags have been sold to all markets, including 932,900 bags of 198990 pool, with an overall gross average price of 2,344 Kenyan pounds (2,023.30 dollars) per ton.

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#90264d6220 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT. 21) - Iraq charged Friday that two planes coming from Saudi Arabia had violated its airspace.

A military spokesman, quoted by the Iraqi News Agency (INA) monitored here, said the incident occurred Thursday over western Iraq, near an area where the borders of Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Iraq intersect.

He did not identify the aircraft.

"Two planes coming from Saudi Arabia Thursday violated Iraqi airspace in an area close to the intersection of the Jordanian, Iraqi and Saudi borders," the spokesman said.

He said the incident occurred at 12.14 p.m. (0814 GMT).

The planes penetrated between seven and 10 kilometers (four to six miles) into Iraq at a height of 9,500 meters (31,350 feet) and a speed of more than 1,000 kilometers (600 miles) an hour, the spokesman said.

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#90264d6240 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT. 21) - Cyprus on Friday denied media reports that it was breaking the United Nations embargo against Iraq.

"These reports are baseless. The Cypriot government is doing everything in its power to ensure total respect of the embargo," government spokesman Akis Fantis said in a statement.

He was reponding to allegations in the Western media that Cyprus has not been applying in full the sanctions ordered against Iraq by the U.N. Security Council after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

#90264d6340 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT. 21) - The Soviet government will resign immediately if parliament adopts a radical reform program drawn up by academician Abel Aganbeguian, deputy premier responsible for economic reform Leonid Abalkin said here Friday.

"The government will resign immediately, (Prime Minister Nikolai) Ryzhkov first and me too, if the Aganbeguian program is adopted today," Mr. Abalkin told journalists in the corridors of the Soviet parliament.

"The government is made up of serious and professional people who do not want to take part in this adventure."

The Soviet parliament on Friday entered the final phase of discussions on sweeping economic reform as representatives of commissions studying rival schemes presented their findings.

Parliament could take a vote Friday on the program to be adopted, or simply adopt some urgent measures.

It was considered most likely to adopt in principle a reform program for the passage to a market economy, with parliament later going through the program and voting on it clause by clause.

Mr. Abalkin said that the Aganbeguian plan, which basically follows the lines of a radical reform program drawn up by economist Stanislav Shatalin and has the support of President Mikhail Gorbachev, would have "tragic consequences."

"They will have to find other people, because the government refuses to implement this program," Mr. Abalkin added.

The Shatalin plan has already been adopted in principle by the parliament of the Russian Federation, the largest Soviet republic headed by radical reformer Boris Yeltsin.

Mr. Ryzhkov, whose government has put forward a more conservative reform plan and whose ideas are virtually ignored in the Aganbeguian formula, has already made it clear he could step down if parliament adopted a program opposed by the government and which it felt unable to implement.

Mr. Shatalin told reporters on the sidelines of Friday's parliamentary session that he was not a possible candidate for the premiership if it fell vacant, because of his poor health.

"I am very seriously ill, and it is not possible that I should be named prime minister," he said, but added that he was "ready to help" implement his reform program. There have been persistent rumours that he is suffering from cancer.

The president of the commission on economic reform, Valentin Vologjin, told deputies that most of the parliamentary commissions and committees were in favour of taking a vote on the Aganbeguian plan.

But Mr. Vologjin said that the commissions were nonetheless recommending that some elements of the less radical reform proposals put forward by the government be added.

The head of the commission on prices and social policy, Nikolai Gritsenko, suggested that parliament should take the interim solution of adopting emergency measures now and then putting the whole reform package to the people.

One measure he advocated was the creation of a second currency, modelled on the Chernovetz, a gold-based currency introduced in the 1920's which unlike the Soviet ruble was convertible.

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#90264d6500 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 21) - A rare American songbird, the yellow-throated vireo, was spotted Friday in southwestern England after it was blown off course across the Atlantic, marking the first reported sighting of the bird ever in Europe, bird watchers said.

The five-inch bird was the latest rare species to be spotted by "twitchers," or bird watchers, in Britain in the past month after strong autumn gales disrupted their normal migration patterns.

Other uncommon birds seen in Britain in the past several weeks include an ancient murrelet, an Asiatic long-toed stint, three long-tailed skuas and a pectoral sandpiper.

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#90264d6540 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 21) - Top local property label Hongkong Land Holdings Ltd. said Friday its after-tax profits in the six months to June rose 32 percent from a year earlier to about 130 million U.S. dollars.

The board recommended an interim dividend of 2.75 U.S. cents per share, up 34 percent from last year's corresponding payment, a Land statement said.

Locally listed Land, tagged the British colony's biggest landlord, has its property portfolio clustered in the core local business district of Central.

Chairman Simon Keswick reported a near-full tenancy for its office and retail spaces despite a slight downturn in local rental levels amid a general

business doldrums in place since the June 4 Beijing massacre last year.

The local Jardine group subsidiary said a revaluation of its investment properties showed an aggregate figure of 5.65 billion U.S. dollars, down about five percent from what they were estimated to be worth at the end of 1989.

Land, also listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, was seeking to go public on the London bourse.

It is 33 percent owned by Jardine Strategic Holdings Ltd., the investment vehicle of the colony's oldest British trading house, the Jardine group.

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#90264d6560 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 21) - Saudi Arabia has cut off its supply of oil to Jordan without advance warning in apparent retribution for Amman's stand in the Gulf crisis, official sources confirmed Friday.

They said that Saudi Arabia stopped pumping oil through the Trans Arabian Pipeline (Tapline) Thursday, ending shipments running at a rate of 30,000 barrels a day, which amount to half Jordan's needs.

Saudi Arabia started supplying Jordan with crude oil last month to offset a reduction of oil imports from Iraq in line with U.N. sanctions.

The sources said Jordan had already reduced its oil imports from Iraq from 90 percnet of its needs to 40 percnet because they were being replaced by Saudi supplies.

"We were very surprised by the Saudi measure," a Jordanian official said. "It amounts to an embargo on Jordan, as if we are supposed to be punished alongside Iraq."

The official said the Saudis cut their oil supplies "because they say that we were late on the payment of 48 million dollars for oil shipments to Jordan."

"This is only an excuse and a pretext for their action," the official asserted.

He said that Riyadh was also taking measures against thousands of Jordanians working in the Gulf. Many have been expelled or refused reentry to the kingdom since the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The official confirmed the expulsion of "several members of Jordanian diplomatic staff" in Riyadh and Qatar and hundreds of Jordanians working in the Gulf.

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#90264d6620 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (SEPT. 21) - British firm General Electric Plessey Telecommunications (GPT) has been contracted to provide an international gateway switch for Digitel, a recently-formed Philippine telephone firm, officials of both firms announced here Friday.

Eastern Telecoms, the sister company of Digitel, has acquired GPT's System X switch to serve as its international electronic gateway when it starts operations in November, providing both local and international telephone services.

GPT and Eastern Telecoms officials would not say how much the System X cost but said the initial phase of operations in Bulacan province outside Manila would cost about four million dollars, including the price of the switching system.

Digitel and Eastern Telecoms, which are both 40 per cent owned by the Hong Kong-based Cable and Wireless, acquired government permits last year to operate an international telephone service in parts of this country.

This effectively ended the monopoly that the Philippine Long Distance and Telephone (PLDT) Company had on long-distance telephone services in this country.

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#90264d6780 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FRANKFURT (SEPT. 21) - The West German M3 money supply rose by only 4.5 percent in August on a seasonally adjusted basis, the Bundesbank reported on Friday.

This was within the range of four percent to six percent which the central bank has set as a target for the M3 aggregate this year.

The figure took account of the money supply in West Germany alone, and did not cover East Germany where the Deutschemark was introduced as the official currency on July 1.

The Bundesbank had hoped to publish pan-German figures for August, but this proved impossible because "statistical information on East Germany was not yet available", the bank said, adding that it was unable to give a date.

Monetary flows developed rapidly, mainly from West Germany to East Germany, after monetary union in July. The bank said that this should increase the money supply in West Germany and reduce the supply in East Germany, but this would not become clear until statistics on East Germany became available.

The definitive M3 money supply figure for July for West Germany was reported at 3.8 percent.

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#90264d6790 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 21) - The Philippines government on Friday announced a 30 percent increase in domestic oil prices and warned that it would crack down on groups who sought to exploit the situation for destabilization purposes.

The average across-the-board increase is 1.42 pesos (5.7 U.S. cents) per liter giving an average new price of 5.85 pesos (22.7 cents) per liter, the government's Energy Regulatory Board said.

The country's two biggest trade unions have threatened to launch massive protests including a nationwide strike if the government implements any oil price increase.

The two latest and bloodiest coup attempts by military rebels against President Corazon Aquino were launched shortly after the government announced oil price hikes in December 1989 and August 1987.

The defense department said it had mobilized anti-riot teams to prevent disorders arising from the impending mass protests.

"One thing that must be understood by everyone is the fact that oil prices have increased and present prices were set when oil prices were less than 15 dollars a barrel. The present price is now 33 dollars," Mrs. Aquino said Friday.

She said the government could not afford to subsidize the difference, and that Filipinos must conserve energy.

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#90264d6880 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 21) - British gross domestic product (GDP) rose by 0.3 percent in real terms in the second quarter over the first quarter, official provisional seasonally adjusted figures showed on Friday.

Analysts had forecast growth of 0.8 percent. Excluding the energy sector, GDP rose by 0.2 percent, the figures showed.

But for the previous 12 months growth was 2.3 percent compared with 1.6 percent at the end of the first quarter.

A month ago, the central statistical office, which published the figures, had said that on the basis of output, GDP in the second quarter was 0.9 percent.

The comparative figure published on Friday was in reality 0.5 percent.

This figure is used, togther with income and expenditure calculations, to produce the overall figure of 0.3 percent.

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#90264d7110 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 21) - The value of trade between India and Japan has almost doubled in the past five years, reaching 3.2 billion dollars with the balance slightly favouring Japan, the Indian government said Friday.

The announcement said however that the 1989-90 financial year trade deficit of 50 million dollars was the lowest yet with Japan, India's third largest trading partner after the United States and the Soviet Union.

Bilateral trade jumped from 1.7 billion dollars in 1985-1986 to 3.2 billion in 1989-90, with India's exports shooting up by 120 percent from 700 million in 1985-86 to 1.6 billion in 1989-90.

Imports from Japan rose from one billion dollars to just more than 1.6 billion in the same period, the announcement said.

Iron ore, shrimps and diamonds accounted for nearly 70 percent of Japanese imports from India, while Indian imports of machinery and transport equipment were the chief cause of the adverse balance which peaked at 710 million dollars in 1986-87, it added.

India, by diversifying into manufactured goods such as tools, tea, coffee, spices, cashews, chemicals, pharmaceuticals and textiles, aims to diversify its export basket to Japan and further reduce its deficit, the report said.

Japan represents 12 percent of India's total trade while New Delhi accounts for only one percent of Tokyo's global trade.

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#90264d7130 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (SEPT. 21) - The International Organization for Migration (IOM) said Friday it hoped to organize airlifts from Baghdad for Pakistanis and Filipinos trying to leave Kuwait and Iraq.

A spokesman for the Geneva-based independent humanitarian organization said the governments of Pakistan and the Philippines had asked the IOM for help to evacuate its nationals stranded due to the Gulf crisis.

Though the United Nations Security Council on Friday was expected to extend the embargo against Iraq and Kuwait to air traffic, humanitarian flights were

likely to be excluded from this, according to informed sources here.

They said India had already obtained permission from Baghdad authorities to fly out Indian nationals wanting to leave Iraq.

The IOM spokesman said his organization had planned about 99 flights from Jordan to repatriate some 29,000 nationals from the six countries of Bangladesh, Egypt, India, Pakistan, Philippines, and Sri Lanka.

Another IOM airlift out of Turkey would end on Saturday since no more refugees seeking to flee the tension were arriving at the Iraqi-Turkish border, the IOM spokesman said.

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#90264d7140 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (SEPT. 21) - Iraq Friday ordered the expulsion of the Egyptian military attache in Baghdad, two counsellors at the Egyptian Embassy and several members of the embassy staff, official Egyptian radio said.

The radio said the Egyptian ambassador in Baghdad was summoned to the Foreign Ministry to receive the expulsion order.

The diplomats and staff have seven days to leave Iraq, it said.

The radio did not specify the number of embassy staff who were asked to leave but said they all work in the military attache's office.

Iraq announced similar expulsion orders Friday against embassy staff from four European countries -- Britain, France, Italy and Spain -- and restricted the movement of Western diplomats remaining in Baghdad.

The moves against Britain, France and Italy were seen as reprisals for their decisions over the weekend to expel Iraqi diplomats. Spain said Friday it was now considering a tit-for-tat expulsion after the Iraqi move.

Egypt had not expelled any Iraqi diplomats or embassy staff since the Gulf crisis began August 2, but semi-official sources here said the Iraqi military attache here left the country with his family a few days ago of his own will.

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#90264d7180 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (SEPT. 21) - The West African peacekeeping force has had 20 soldiers killed in its first month in Liberia and several dozen wounded, medical and diplomatic sources said here Friday.

There was no official confirmation of their estimates, which also shed no

light on how the casualties were distributed among the five nation force of some 5,000 men.

A week ago the force's command post in Monrovia was shelled by the main rebel movement headed by Charles Taylor, and two navy vessels in the nearby port were hit. The Ghana news agency reported four people killed and 18 wounded, according to an official source.

Another source close to the secretariat of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), which sent the troops into Liberia, said there were seven fatalities, most of them Nigerians.

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#90264d7210 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (SEPT. 21) - An agreement admitting Czechoslovakia to the European Community as an associate member could be signed in the first half of 1991, E.C. Commission President Jacques Delors said here Friday.

Delors, who is in Prague for a two-day fact-finding visit, said the 12-member E.C. did not wish to close the doors to any non-E.C. country in its endeavours to achieve a united Europe.

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#90264d7230 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 21) - Ten people were killed and 31 injured Friday as a passenger bus carrying pilgrims skidded off the road on rocky terrain in northern India, the United News of India reported.

The accident occured near the temple town of Badrinath, nestling in the lower reaches of the Himalayas, the agency said.

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#90264d7490 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 21) - President Mikhail Gorbachev on Friday intervened to seek a compromise agreement from the Soviet parliament on crucial economic reforms after the government rejected a radical plan put before deputies.

He urged parliament to "resolutely reject the idea of an overturning of the current power and management system" of the country, on a day which had already seen a renewed government threat to resign if radical reforms were adopted.

"If we start disrupting everything in the country, it will be a gift to all the pretenders, all those ambitious people who are ready to exploit the country," he said.

Mr. Gorbachev intervened during a parliamentary session to decide what economic reform path the country should follow after Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov said his government did not agree with a draft resolution put before deputies and produced his own alternative text.

Earlier in the day, the deputy premier responsible for economic reform Leonid Abalkin had said the government would resign immediately if parliament adopted the radical reform programme drawn up by academician Abel Aganbeguian.

The draft resolution in parliament called for the adoption of the Aganbeguian plan, which basically follows the lines of a radical reform programme drawn up by economist Stanislav Shatalin and has the support of Mr. Gorbachev.

But Mr. Ryzhkov's draft resolution said that it was "necessary to review the various projects and programmes for economic reforms."

The government has put forward a much more conservative programme for economic reforms.

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#90264d7920 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 21) - China registered a 4.18 billion dollar trade surplus in the first eight months of the year, China's customs service said Friday.

Officials said imports fell by 16.3 percent over the eight-month period to 32.08 billion dollars, compared to the previous corresponding period, while exports rose by 15.3 percent to 36.27 billion dollars.

They said China's major trading partner remained Hong Kong, which China is to take over in 1997, and two-way trade totalled 24.35 billion dollars.

Hong Kong was followed by Japan, the European Economic Community, the United States, the Association of Southeast Asian nations and the Soviet Union.

China's trade with Taiwan surged by 224 percent to 170 million dollars, while imports from Taiwan fell to 1.17 billion dollars, they said.

The trade balance improved because China's austerity programme slowed down imports, while the 21.2 percent devaluation of the yuan last December stimulated exports, analysts said.

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#90264d7930 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 21) - Even political rivals say Jim Bolger is a nice guy, but he is also relentlessly ambitious and by the end of next month he could be Prime Minister of New Zealand.

If he wins on October 27, Mr. Bolger, 55, will be New Zealand's first farmer prime minister since Sir Keith Holyoake, another leader of the National Party, retired in 1972. In a citified country with rural roots, Mr. Bolger is the archetypal man of the land.

A former leading trade unionist, Rob Campbell summed up Mr. Bolger: "He's a typical New Zealand man of his generation -- conservative, likeable but with pretty limited vision."

One of his former press secretaries, Michelle Boag, says Mr. Bolger's strength is in being a "what you see is what you get" politician.

Former Prime Minister Sir Robert Muldoon says Mr. Bolger has leadership skills.

"One can never say Bolger will make a good prime minister but looking around our caucus and looking at the Labour caucus I do not see any reason why he should not be the first choice," he said.

Mr. Bolger's "ordinary bloke" style has given him a public image of being less than bright, and he has given more than his fair share of bad speeches.

He can get rather too easily rattled. In Parliament in 1988 then deputy Prime Minister Geoffrey Palmer used his law professor style to say: "The Leader of the Opposition is well known for his lack of intelligence." Mr. Bolger, unable to rebut the claim, threw a pen at Mr. Palmer.

Mr. Bolger claimed he had been under total control, but several weeks later in a bizarre debate he reacted to an attack by Government Whip Trevor Mallard by asking Mr. Mallard whether he had AIDS.

His message frequently has been of the need for a "decent society", one where people feel safe.

"We have lost a commitment to work and play and love with each other," he said at a golf club speech.

Born in 1935 in rural Rahotu in the Taranaki province, 250 kilometres (155 miles) north of here, he was the third of five children of Catholic Irish migrant parents. When he left high school he began working on his father's dairy farm.

Later he got his own sheep and beef farm in the remote King Country in the centre of the North Island, 300 kilometres (186 miles), north of here.

But farming, he says, did not provide enough stimulation and inevitably he gets bored with it, adding, "I'd have to find something else."

Until 1972 and election to Parliament, farming was all he knew. But as an opposition backbencher for three years he won notice for his debating skill and when National returned to power in 1975 under Mr. Muldoon (now Sir Robert), Mr. Bolger became under-secretary to the minister of agriculture and fisheries.

In 1977 he was made minister of fisheries himself, at 41 the youngest cabinet minister at the time.

From 1978 to the end of National's term in office in 1984, Mr. Bolger was Minister of Labour.

After the Labour party's victory Mr. Bolger joined two others -- nicknamed the colonels -- who attempted to dump Sir Robert. But he scored few points with party collegues when he abandoned the coup early and pledged his loyalty to the leader.

When in November 1984 Sir Robert finally lost the leadership to Jim McLay Mr. Bolger became his deputy. Mr. McLay, a disaster in the polls, held the job for 16 months until Mr. Bolger ousted him in March 1986.

In March 1987 Mr. Bolger led National to defeat, but he survives as leader, at least until next month's elections.

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#90264d8010 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 21) - The price of fuel oil shot up Friday while Dubai crude remained unchanged, in line with a see-saw pattern evident throughout the week dealers said.

At the Singapore International Monetary Exchange (SIMEX), October fuel oil soared to 149.30 U.S. dollars per metric tonne, steeply up from Thursday's closing price of 143.00 U.S. dollars.

At one stage Friday the price went as high as 152.00 U.S. dollars a metric tonne before moving down late in the afternoon.

Fuel oil for November deliveries however remained unchanged at 144.50 U.S., although it moved up to a high of 148.00 U.S. dollars a metric tonne mid-morning.

Dubai crude for November deliveries closed at 29.55 U.S. dollars a barrel, unchanged from Thursday's level while there was no quote for December Dubai.

Dealers again attributed the high price to the uncertain situation in the Gulf which they said appeared to be heading for a long standoff.

SIMEX, which trades in gold and currency futures, began trading in oil early

this year.

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#90264d8020 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (SEPT. 21) - Iran offered to sell crude oil to Thailand at a "friendship price" in the wake of the oil crisis sparked by the continuing Gulf conflict, state-run Radio Thailand reported Friday.

Minister of Commerce Amaret Sila-on told reporters after a discussion with Teheran's ambassador to Thailand on Wednesday that Iran agreed to sell crude oil to Thailand, which expects several hikes in domestic oil prices before the end of the year.

However, Mr. Amaret declined to go into details, acording to the report.

He said Bangkok should take this opportunity to develop trade relations with Iran, noting that although the country shares a border with Iraq, the two countries have signed a truce agreement.

Thailand and Iran signed an agreement in August to set up a joint commission for economic and scientific and cooperation. Both countries are scheduled to hold a meeting of the commission early next year, the report said.

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#90264d8290 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEVERLY HILLS, California (SEPT. 21) - Hermes Pan, the dance master who choreographed nine of the 10 films pairing Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers, has died. He was 79.

Mr. Pan died suddenly at his home here Wednesday, said his niece, Michelene Laski. No cause of death was given.

Born Hermes Panagiotopulos in Memphis, Tennessee, Mr. Pan was a Broadway dancer from 1927 to 1930 and performed with Ms. Rogers in "Top Speed."

He first met Mr. Astaire in 1933 in Hollywood when he helped the dancer with a routine for the RKO film "Flying Down to Rio," which co-starred Ms. Rogers.

"Fred told him he was the only person he ever saw who could dance like he did " Ms. Laski said.

"He was a darling man, a great dancer," Ms. Rogers said from her home in Oregon.

In a career that spanned four decades, Mr. Pan won numerous awards, including the last annual Academy Award for choreography, presented to him in 1937 for

the "Fun House" sequence in "A Damsel in Distress."

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#90264d8310 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HABUR, TURKEY (SEPT. 21) - Iraq has closed its border with Turkey only

authorizing 45 people to cross into the neighbour nation at this border post over the past 24 hours, an official said here Friday.

The border closure became effective Thursday, an official told an AFP correspondent. The only people allowed through since then were carrying special passes.

Turkish border officials said more than 4,000 vehicles were waiting on the Iraqi side of the border to enter Turkey.

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#90264d8420 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KHARTOUM (SEPT 21) - The Organisation of African Unity (Oau) committee on refugee affairs has paid an inspection visit to Kassala in eastern Sudan to gather first-hand information on the conditions of refugees there.

The camp, which was planned to accomodate 5,000 refugees, now holds 65,000, most of them children.

The deputy governor of the eastern region told the Oau delegates that there were 80 to 100 new arrivals from Ethiopia daily. According to him, the assistance the Sudan received from the international community was not commensurate to the number of refugees it hosts. He appealed for more aid.

The Oau delegates arrived in Khartoum Thursday for a meeting that begins Saturday in the Sudanese capital to discuss African refugee affairs in preparation for the emergency meeting of the Executive Committee of the Office of the U.N. High Commissioner on Refugees (Unhcr) in Geneva.

Last week, the Sudanese government sealed off its border with Chad to prevent more refugees from entering the country. Apart from putting a strain on the economy, the Chadian refugees have been causing security and political problems for the Sudan.

On more than one occasion, Chadian troops have entered Sudanese territory in pursuit of Chadian dissidents. There have been accusations also from Chad that the Sudan has been allowing dissident Chadians and Libyan troops to attack Chad from the Sudan.

The bloody tribal conflicts and armed robbery in western Sudan have also been

attributed by the Khartoum government to the abundance of firearms and ammunition brought in by Chadians.

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#90264d8560 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 21) - Iraq's Revolutionary Command Council Friday called on its population to prepare for a hard battle and reiterated that it would not agree to any compromise in the Gulf crisis.

''There is not a single chance for any retreat'' from Iraq's position on Kuwait, the ruling council said.

''The battle ahead would be the mother and father of all battles'', it added. It would be waged ''according to principles of honour and deep faith and determination to achieve victory''.

It was the first official statement from Iraq in recent weeks that failed to mention the word peace and offered no proposals for negotiations.

On Thursday, Culture and Information Minister Latif Nasif al-Jasim said Iraq would blow up Gulf oil fields and use every weapon Baghdad owns in case of a Western attack.

In another development reflecting rising tension in the region, Radio Baghdad reported that two unidentified foreign warplanes violated Iraqi airspace on Friday. They penetrated seven kilometres into western Iraq from the border region of Saudi Arabia and Jordan, the broadcast said.

In Brussels, the commission of the European Committee said the U.N.-sanctionned embargo against Iraq should be expanded to fields covering all kind of services and contracts signed before August 8.

U.S. Defence Secretary Dick Cheney said in Madrid he supported large-scale arms deliveries to Saudi Arabia. He was in Spain for talks with government officials on the Gulf crisis and Spain's contribution to the military buildup there.

Meanwhile, Iraq has ordered two non-diplomatic staff members of the British embassy in Baghdad, eleven members of the French embassy, as well as the Italian and the Spanish military attaches there to leave the country.

The decision was believed to be a reprisal for an earlier European Community decision to expel dozens of Iraqi embassy staffers, military attaches, army officers and civilians from the E.C.

In Washington, the Pentagon said American forces are in for an indefinite deployment in Saudi Arabia.

Cbs news quoted Pentagon sources as saying there were no contradictions in planning a long-term troop presence in the Gulf and President George Bush's assurances that U.S. forces will only remain there until Iraqi forces pull out of Kuwait.

In Cairo, the daily al-Ahram reported that the exiled Kuwaiti government has offered to pay 30 million dollars in August and September salaries to Egyptians who were working in Kuwait before it was invaded by Iraq on August 2.

An end-of-service compensation to those who did not want to return to Kuwait after it was liberated would also be given, the daily said.

In Tokyo, the Japanese government decided to give 900 million dollars to the Gulf peace fund to be set up by the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council. The fund is to be used for procuring equipment and materials to help U.S.-led multinational forces in the Gulf.

In London, the Foreign Office said a jetliner chartered by the United States will be able to evacuate about 400 Western women and children from Kuwait and Iraq on Saturday. It urged all remaining British nationals to make use of this opportunity.

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#90264d8680 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 21) - The price of Brent North Sea oil for November rose to 34.10 dollars per barrel on the physical market here on Friday, up from 33.65 dollars at the opening and from 32.95 dollars at the close on Thursday.

This pushed up the price of gold to 389.30 dollars an ounce at the afternoon fixing from 387.25 dollars late on Thursday, analysts said. The price reached 390.10 dollars during Friday morning.

UBS Phillips and Drew analyst Joe Malinowski said that the price of oil rose on news that Saudi Arabia has suspended supplies of oil to Jordan. About 30,000 barrels per day had been supplied, he said.

Statements on Thursday by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein warning that a war with the United States could last several years, and a threat by Iraq to destroy all oil installations in the Gulf in the event of hostilities, contributed to the rise, other analysts said.

Shearson Lehman Hutton analyst Neil Buxton said that gold had firmed in line with the rise of oil prices, but that trading volume was low.

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#90264d8690 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT. 21) - Russian Federation President Boris Yeltsin suffered a slight injury to the head and a more serious hip injury Friday after being involved in a car crash here, TASS news agency said.

Mr. Yeltsin must rest and remain in bed after receiving a "substantial shock to the right hip" in the collision, Vice President of the Russian Federation Supreme Soviet (parliament) Ruslan Khabulatov said

The 59-year-old Mr. Yeltsin was taken to hospital Friday morning, but earlier reports said he had sustained no injury.

Traffic police said the accident occurred in the morning not far from Mr. Yeltsin's home, at the corner of Gorky and Alexander Nevsky roads, as he was on his way to the Russian parliament.

His black official Volga collided with a private Jiguli car when a man, aged 60, ignored the instructions of a traffic policeman at an intersection and turned right, hitting the passenger door of the Volga on the side Mr. Yeltsin was sitting.

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#90264d8830 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (SEPT 21) - Some 750,000 people in Liberia face death by starvation unless the international community mobilises to save them, the Belgian humanitarian organisation Medecins sans Frontieres (MSF - Doctors Without Borders) warned Friday.

Dr Jan Van Erps, in charge of MSF-Belgique's efforts for Liberia, spoke of "food genocide" there.

He told Agence France-Presse that there had not been such a situation since the disastrous mass famine in Ethiopia of 1984-85. Medical aid in the war-ravaged west African state no longer made any sense if there was no food aid, Dr. Van Erps said.

The Belgian doctor told how MSF had to decline to treat more than half the children coming to it for vaccination against measles "for the sole reason that a simple vaccination would have killed them, given their physically weakened state".

MSF-Belgique is the only humanitarian organisation in Liberia, where rival forces have been battling for political control since last December 24, but it has only 10 doctors present in a country of some 2.5 million people.

"The whole economy is completely destroyed.

"We have located 750,000 displaced people who have fled the capital Monrovia or the other regions ravaged by fighting in preceding months," Dr. Van Erps said.

"Barely 10 percent of them are still managing to feed themselves.

"The needs are enormous, but the absolute priority is the despatch of several tens of thousands of tonnes of food.

"Liberia has been forgotten because of the Gulf crisis, although hundreds of thousands of people are in agony. It is crucial that public opinion be alerted " the doctor said.

MSF-Belgique hopes soon to be able to reopen the Bensonville hospital in Monrovia and set up 60 beds there, he said.

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#90264d8860 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 21) - Esso SAF announced that its half-year book profit dropped by 70.7 percent over the same period last year, totalling 165 million francs (31 million dollars) in the first two quarters of 1990 against 566 million francs (107 million dollars) in 1989.

A company statement said the drop was due to a major write-down on oil stock value due to the slump in the dollar and crude oil prices, before oil prices rose again in August.

In 1989, net profit over the whole year was 316 million francs (60 million dollars).

The book profit for the first half of 1990 was affected by a negative stock effect of 534 million francs (101 million dollars), while the same period in 1989 took into account a positive stock effect of 591 million francs (112 million dollars).

Outside stock effect, the current account for refining and distribution improved sharply, passing from 25 million francs (4.7 million dollars) in the first half of 1989 to 376 million francs (71.4 million dollars) for the corresponding period in 1990. The meant the half year results of 351 million francs (137 million dollars) were better than those for the whole of 1989.

According to Esso, the increase in prices for crude oil and finished products triggered by the Gulf crisis has created a "particularly uncertain outlook for the second half", especially in the effect on prices of oil stocks.

The results will be further "burdened by extra costs of supplies and by delays" in carrying forward price fluctuations to the consumer.

However, the company said it was looking to this "turbulent period with confidence".

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#90264d8870 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (SEPT 21) - The EEC Commission on Friday proposed tighter controls on supplies of food and medicines to Iraq as part of a tightening of the embargo.

It also announced food aid worth nearly 10 million dollars for Egyptian refugees and suggested releasing some Kuwaiti assets.

The proposals to toughen the embargo were expected to be approved by ministers from the 12 members of the European Economic Comunity (EEC) next week, a Commission spokesman said.

EEC foreign ministers asked the Commission on September 7 to propose such measures which "fit entirely with U.N. resolutions," the spokesman said.

The Commission suggested that the assets and activities of three Kuwaiti financial bodies remaining under the control of the Kuwaiti government-in-exile should be released from restrictions.

The three are the Kuwait Investment Office, the Kuwait Investment Agency, and the Kuwait Petroleum Cie.

Under the tighter sanctions, only food and medicines approved by the United Nations Security Council would be permitted for delivery as humanitarian aid.

Medicines "which could be used for purposes other than strict medical uses" would no longer be allowed to go to Iraq. This would apply particularly to antibiotics, synthesised hormones, and pharmaceutical products in bulk, the spokesman said.

The EEC would also monitor application of the embargo by member states. The despatch of any emergency aid to Iraq would have to receive advance authorisation, and member states would exchange information on this with the Commission.

The aid could only be distributed free of charge and on the spot.

The Commission also proposed extending the embargo to include the supply of services not directly linked to commercial transactions.

The spokesman said that the measures were intended as a "preventive measure", and were not intended as a response to loopholes which had been found in

application of the embargo.

The EEC announced the first embargo against Iraq, two days after the Iraqis invaded Kuwait, and before the U.N. Security Council had voted one.

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#90264d9730 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 21) - President George Bush named General Merrill McPeak as Air Force chief of staff Friday, filling the vacancy left by the dismissal of General Michael Dugan for his inappropriate remarks on the Gulf crisis.

Gen. McPeak, 54, was currently commander-in-chief of the U.S. air forces in the Pacific region.

On Monday, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney fired Gen. Dugan, with the approval of President George Bush, after the general told The Washington Post and the Los Angeles Times that the United States was preparing contingency plans for war with Iraq, including massive air raids against Baghdad.

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#90264d9870 09/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAKATA, LIBERIA (SEPT. 21) - The leader of the main rebel group in Liberia, Charles Taylor, said here on Friday that his troops would observe a unilateral ceasefire in the country's civil war from Saturday midday.

Mr. Taylor told a press conference at Kakata, 50 kilometres (30 miles) north of the capital Monrovia that the main protagonists in the war should use the break in hostilities to discuss the future of Liberia.

The leader of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia, called on the leader of the other main rebel faction, Prince Johnson, the remaining soldiers who had fought for the late president Samuel Doe and West African troops sent in by the Economic Community of West African States to agree to the ceasefire.

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#90264e0008 09/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MANAGUA (SEPT. 21) EFE - A government-sponsored debate on ways of solving Nicaraga's economic crisis turned violent after supporters of the leftist opposition Sandinista Party tried to storm the meeting, police said.

Several hundred people Thursday burst into the Managua conference center where Chamorro was addressing leaders of pro-government unions and businessmen, roughing up security guards and stoning cars with diplomatic number plates before they were ejected.

Police said the leader of the pro-Sandinista "National Workers' Front" (FNT) union, Lucio Jimenez, was outside haranguing the crowd.

Both the FNT and the pro-Sandinista national Union of Farmers and Ranchers were boycotting Thursday's debate, charging the aim of the meeting was to hand the country over to international financial institutions.

Inaugurating the two-day debate aimed at reaching an economic pact between all productive sectors of society, Chamorro called for "an open dialogue, without hard and fast stances, and without any pre-conditions except one: that we listen to each other so as to reach accords in everybody's mutual interest".

Representatives of the business groups and unions attending the conference Thursday called for a drastic reduction of the Army to combat hyperinflation.

During their decade in power and war against U.S.-backed Contra rebels, the Sandinistas built up a 90,000-strong Army in a country of three million inhabitants.

After taking over from the Sandinistas in April this year, Chamorro promised to cut back Central America's largest standing army by just over half.

Speakers said the Army, together with an oversized public sector, were responsible for 15 per cent of the country's budget deficit, fueling inflation unoffficially estimated at over 500 per cent during the first half of 1990.

Nicaraguan Chamber of Commerce President Juan Lopez Zeledon called for some 400 state companies, most of them heavily indebted, to be privatized as soon as possible.

Union leaders urged the government to guarantee workers a salary of dlrs 200 monthly, saying it was the absolute minimum needed for the basic necessities of life.

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#90264e0011 09/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ANTWERP, BELGIUM (SEPT. 21) EFE - A cargo train transporting dangerous chemicals derailed Friday in a Belgian residential neighborhood, forcing the evacuation of its residents, authorities said.

One of the cargo tanks loaded with an ether compound caught fire when the train derailed at 4 a.m. (0200 GMT) in the Ekeren residential neighborhood outside Antwerp.

Rescue workers and firefighters said they feared the fire could release highly toxic gases.

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#90264e0012 09/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MADRID (SEPT. 21) EFE - U.S. Defense Secretary Richard Cheney arrived Friday in Madrid where he was expected to seek increased Spanish cooperation in enforcing the Gulf embargo and to speed up the closedown of some U.S. bases on Spanish territory.

During his 24-hour visit, Cheney is to meet with Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez, Defense Minister Narcis Serra and Foreign Minister Francisco Fernandez Ordonez.

Topping Cheney's agenda will be the Persian Gulf, where Spain has sent three warships to join the U.S.-led multinational naval force maintaining the United Nations blockade against Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

Although Washington has been calling for its allies to step up the pressure on Iraq, Serra told the Spanish parliament this week that the government had no plans to increase its military presence in the region.

Cheney's visit comes the same week the Pentagon announced the dismantling or reduction of 150 U.S. military bases in Europe in 1991, including the joint-use Torrejon Air Base outside Madrid and several smaller installations in Spain.

Under their latest bilateral defense accord, the U.S. agreed to pull its 72 F-16 jet fighters out of Torrejon by May 1992, but with an earlier withdrawal now foreseen, Cheney and Serra will have technical details to discuss Friday.

Cheney is also to be received by Spanish King Juan Carlos before flying on to Lisbon early Saturday for more talks with U.S. allies on the situation in the Gulf.

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#90264e0026 09/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MANILA (SEPT 21) EFE - The United States has agreed to let Manila take control next year of four smaller U.S. bases in the Philippines, a Philippine negotiator said Friday, as talks on the future of these and two major U.S. installations adjourned for a month.

Negotiator Rafael Alumen said the John Hay, Camp Wallace, San Miguel and Camp O'Donnell supply and support facilities would revert to Philippine control when the current bilateral defense accord expires in September, 1991.

Philippine Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus called a news conference at the presidential palace where he added, "We want to control these small installations and I do not anticpate any problems."

Still to be worked out in forthcoming talks is the fate of the two largest U.S. military bases on foreign soil, Clark Air Base and Subic Bay Naval Station, both located about 90 km from Manila.

Manglapus said the Philippine position was to "make it clear that we want full control of Clark as soon as the current treaty expires."

Alumen told reporters the United States was arguing for a phased reduction of its forces over a 10- or 12-year period.

But U.S. negotiator Stanley Schrager said his side had not set such a firm timetable, and noted that under any accord that emerges, Washington is seeking to retain the right of access to the bases.

"We want to emphasize our continuing respect for the integrity and sovereignty of the Philippines," Schrager added.

As the talks adjourned Friday until late next month, several hundred demonstrators hurled bottles and stones at police called in to break up an anti-American protest outside the U.S. embassy in Manila.

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#90264e0033 09/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

AMMAN (SEPT 21) EFE - Jordanian officials Friday warned that their country might be forced to break the United Nations sanctions against Iraq following Saudi Arabia's decision to cut its oil supplies to Jordan.

According to the officials, Saudia Arabia cut off supplies of some 33,000 barrels a day, claiming Jordan had failed to pay some dlrs 48 million.

Following the U.N. embargo of Iraq last month, imposed in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, Riyadh agreed to pump one million barrels per month to Jordan to enable it to reduce its oil dependency on Iraq from 90 per cent to 40 per cent.

The officials in Amman expressed surprise at the move Friday and said it would likely force Jordan to break the embargo and approach Baghdad for more oil.

Describing the decision as a retaliation for Jordan's opposition to the U.S.-led deployment of troops to Saudi Arabia, they said the measure showed Riyadh and other Gulf states aimed to try bring Jordan to heel politically and economically.

The measure followed reports Thursday that Saudi Arabia had expelled 30 Jordanians over the past three weeks in retaliation for Amman's support for Iraq.

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#90264f1887 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (SEPT. 21) UPI - Trading was choppy in the grain market Friday amid uncertainty over weather conditions and the reluctance of traders to establish new positions ahead of the weekend.

Corn and wheat were higher at the close on the Chicago Board of Trade while soybeans were moderately lower.

Both corn and soybeans were supported much of the day by cold weather concerns and harvest delays. Some forecasters predicted frost over a wide area of the Upper Midwest during the weekend, although a severe freeze was not expected.

Soybeans turned lower late in the day and were at or near the lows for the week at the close. Beans were pressured by professional selling and sharp losses in soybean meal.

Gains in corn were limited by profit-taking, but there was underlying support from continued light country movement.

Wheat rallied with the corn in quiet trading.

A Soviet delegation will be in Washington next week for meetings that will include discussions of the grain supply agreement.

At the close, corn was up 3/4 to 2, soybeans down 2 3/4 to 5 3/4, wheat up 1/2 to 2 and oats down 1 to 1 3/4.

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#90264h0231 09/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) XINHUA - RESEARCHERS FOUND A NEW MEDICAL TECHNIQUE HAS DRAMATICALLY EASED PARKINSON'S SYMPTOMS WHEN THEY TESTED IT FOR MONKEYS WITH A FORM OF PARKINSON'S DISEASE, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST ISSUE OF THE JOURNAL "SCIENCE."

DURING THE STUDY, THE RESEARCHERS WERE ABLE TO ALLEVIATE THE HALLMARK NEUROLOGICAL SYMPTOMS OF THE DISEASE, WHICH INCLUDE INCREASING MUSCULAR RIGIDITY, TREMORS AND DIFFICULT MOVEMENT, BY DESTROY A SMALL GROUP OF CELLS IN THE CENTER OF THE BRAIN.

THE STUDY CONDUCTED BY DR. MAHLON R. DELONG, CHAIRMAN OF THE NEUROLOGY DEPARTMENT AT EMORY UNIVERSITY IN ATLANTA, AND HIS COLLEAGUES.

DR. DELONG SAID THE TEST DEMONSTRATES THAT PARKINSON'S SYMPTOMS ARE AT LEAST PARTIALLY DUE TO EXCESSIVE ELECTRICAL ACTIVITY IN THE NERVE CELLS IN THE

PORTION OF THE BRAIN THEY DESTORYED.

IT PROVIDES STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE VIEW THAT THE PATHWAY THROUGH THE SUBTHALAMIC NUCLEUS IS OVERACTIVE AND IF YOU CAN BLOCK THAT PATHWAY BY SOME MEANS YOU CAN REDUCE THE SYMPTOMS DRAMATICALLY, HE SAID.

"WE HAVE BLOCKED IT IN THE MOST OBVIOUS WAY BY INJECTING A CHEMICAL THAT KILLS THE NERVE CELLS IN THAT STRUCTURE, AND THIS COULD CONCEIVABLY BE DONE IN MAN AS WELL BUT WE FEEL IT NEEDS TO BE MORE FULLY EXPLORED IN ANIMAL MODELS BEFORE WE CAN CONTEMPLATE USING IT IN HUMANS," HE SAID.

PARKINSON'S, WHICH MOSTLY STRIKES PEOPLE OVER 40, CAUSES TREMORS AND GRADUAL LOSS OF MUSCLE. IT RESULTS FROM A GRADUAL LOSS OF NERVE CELLS IN AN AREA OF THE BRAIN KNOWN AS THE SUBSTANTIA NIGRA. THIS CELLS PRODUCE A BRAIN CHEMICAL CALLED DOPAMINE THAT IS VITAL FOR NORMAL COORDINATED MUSCLE MOVEMENT.

THE NEW FINDING SUGGESTED THAT THE DOPAMINE SOMEHOW KEEPS CELLS OF THE SUBTHALAMIC NUCLEUS UNDER CONTROL. WITHOUT THE DOPAMINE, THEY BECOME OVERACTIVE AND CAUSE THE MUSCLE PROBLEMS OF PARKINSON'S DISEASE. BUT BY DESTORYING THIS OVERACTIVE REGION, THE MUSCLES ARE PREVENTED FROM RECEIVING ITS UNCONTROLLED SIGNALS.

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#90264h0238 09/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 24) XINHUA - THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT IS PLANNING TO WORK OUT A PACKAGE OF ECONOMIC POLICIES AND VARIOUS STRONG MEASURES TO DEVELOP THE NATURAL GAS INDUSTRY, ACCORDING TO TODAY'S "CHINA DAILY".

INADEQUATE INVESTMENT AND LOW GAS PRICES ARE TWO MAJOR FACTORS WEIGHING HEAVILY AGAINST THE EXPANSION OF GAS INDUSTRY IN CHINA, SAID A SENIOR OFFICIAL OF THE CHINA NATIONAL OIL AND GAS CORPORATION.

"THIS HAS DRAWN THE ATTENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT, WHICH IS CONSIDERING SOME MEASURES INCLUDING ADDITIONAL STATE INVESTMENT AND READJUSTMENT OF THE PRICING SYSTEM," HE SAID.

HE SAID THAT HIS CORPORATION IS PLANNING TO SET UP A FOUNDATION BY OPENING MORE CHANNELS TO COLLECT "IDLE FUNDS" FROM LOCAL PRODUCTION SECTORS WHICH NEED NATURAL GAS AS RAW MATERIAL.

THE NATURAL GAS INDUSTRY IS LOSING MONEY. IT DEPENDS ON THE GOVERNMENT FOR ALMOST ALL ITS INVESTMENT AND THE GAS PRICES ARE MUCH LOWER THAN THOSE OF COAL.

CHINA INTENDS TO INCREASE ITS GAS RESERVES BY SEVERAL TIMES IN THE NEXT 10 YEARS.

BASED ON THE NEW FINDINGS, CHINA WILL DEVELOP THE NEW GASFIELDS IN A PLANNED

WAY SO AS TO INCREASE ITS GAS OUTPUT YEAR AFTER YEAR, THE OFFICIAL SAID.

THE PRIORITY FOR GAS SUPPLIES WILL BE GIVEN TO THE KEY STATE PROJECTS SUCH AS LARGE CHEMICAL FERTILIZER PLANTS AND LARGE CITIES SHORT OF FUEL FOR COOKING.

HE SAID THE NEW METHODS OF GAS UTILIZATION SUCH AS POWER GENERATION BY GAS WILL BE INTRODUCED TO ACHIEVE THE BEST POSSIBLE ECONOMIC RESULTS.

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#90264h0250 09/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (SEPT. 24) XINHUA - BRAZIL'S FOREIGN MINISTRY BANNED THE SALE OF WEAPONS TO SAUDI ARABIA, ONE OF THE MAJOR COUNTRIES INVOLVED IN THE PERSIAN GULF CONFLICT, FOREIGN MINISTER FRANCISCO REZEK SAID IN AN INTERVIEW ON THURSDAY.

ACCORDING TO THE LOCAL PRESS, THE BRAZILIAN COMPANY AVIBRAS SIGNED AN ACCORD WITH SAUDI ARABIA FOR THE SALE OF 10,000 MISSILES FOR ASTROS-2 LAUNCHERS.

REZEK DECLARED, "THIS IS THE MOMENT FOR US TO AVOID A TRANSACTION OF THIS KIND", ADDING THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAD NOT BEEN INFORMED OF THE OPERATION.

THE MIDDLE EAST IS ONE OF THE BRAZILIAN ARMAMENT INDUSTRY'S TRADITIONAL MARKETS, ESPECIALLY IRAQ AND SAUDI ARABIA WHICH HAVE BEEN MAJOR PURCHASERS OF BRAZILIAN WEAPONS. HOWEVER, THE TRANSACTIONS WERE SUSPENDED SOME YEARS AGO OVER THE ISSUE OF PAYMENTS.

SINCE THE INVASION AND THE ANNEXATION OF KUWAIT BY IRAQ, THE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT HAS REAFFIRMED ITS DECISION NOT TO SELL ANY KIND OF WEAPON TO IRAQ, FOLLOWING THE RESOLUTIONS APPROVED BY THE UNITED NATIONS ON THE GULF CRISIS.

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#90264h0252 09/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

YAOUNDE (SEPT. 24) XINHUA - AN AMENDMENT TO A FINANCIAL AID AGREEMENT OFFERED BY THE U.S. TO CHAD IN JULY 1989 WAS SIGNED IN CHAD'S CAPITAL N'DJAMENA LAST FRIDAY, ACCORDING TO A REPORT FROM THE CHADIAN CAPITAL TODAY.

WITH SIGNING OF THIS AMENDMENT, FINANCIAL AID PROVIDED BY THE U.S. TO CHAD SINCE 1982 HAS AMOUNTED TO 27 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

OFFICIALS OF THE U.S. EMBASSY IN CHAD SAID THE FOCUS OF INCREASED AMERICAN AID IS MAINLY TO PROMOTE DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS IN RURAL AREAS, AND TO SUPPORT SMALL AND MEDIUM-SIZED URBAN ENTERPRISES.

THIS FINANCIAL AID WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE GOVERNMENT'S EFFORTS TO APPLY A STRUCTURAL READJUSTMENT PROGRAM IN THE COUNTRY, SAID CHADIAN MINISTER OF PLANNING AND COOPERATION FACHO BALAM.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 21) KYODO - JAPAN HAD A 1,725.69 MILLION DOLLAR TRADE SURPLUS ON A CUSTOMS CLEARANCE BASIS IN THE FIRST 10 DAYS OF SEPTEMBER, COMPARED WITH A 2,509.86 MILLION DOLLAR SURPLUS A YEAR BEFORE, THE FINANCE MINISTRY ANNOUNCED FRIDAY.

EXPORTS TOTALED 7,585.92 MILLION DOLLARS ON AN FOB BASIS, UP 0.8 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER, AND IMPORTS 5,860.23 MILLION DOLLARS ON A CIF BASIS, UP 16.9 PERCENT.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 21) KYODO - MITSUBISHI PETROCHEMICAL CO. PLANS TO RAISE THE PRICE OF ETHYLENE BY 24.9 PERCENT FROM OCTOBER 1 BECAUSE OF SOARING CRUDE OIL PRICES, THE TOP JAPANESE PETROCHEMICAL COMPANY SAID FRIDAY.

INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID OTHER PETROCHEMIAL COMPANIES ARE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW SUIT IN A MOVE WHICH WOULD MARK THE FIRST SHARP ETHYLENE PRICE INCREASE SINCE 1979, WHEN ITS PRICE JUMPED DUE TO THE SECOND OIL SHOCK.

MITSUBISHI SAID NEGOTIATIONS WITH ITS CUSTOMERS ARE NOW UNDER WAY OVER THE PRICE INCREASE, CITING THE UPTURN IN CRUDE OIL PRICES AND THE RESULTING PRICE SURGE OF NAPHTHA, THE RAW MATERIAL FOR ETHYLENE, IN THE WAKE OF THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS.

THE PRICE HIKE, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID, WILL TRIGGER A SPIRAL OF PRICE SURGES FOR PETROCHEMICAL PRODUCTS AS ETHYLENE IS WIDELY USED FOR MAKING PLASTICS, VINYL, AND SYNTHETIC FIBERS.

ACCORDING TO MITSUBISHI, THE PRICE OF NAPHTHA IS PROJECTED TO SOAR TO 32,500 YEN PER KILOLITER IN OCTOBER FROM AROUND 20,000 YEN IN EARLY THIS YEAR.

A NAPHTHA PRICE SWING OF 1,000 YEN A KILOLITER PUSHES UP THE COST OF ETHYLENE BY 2 YEN A KILOGRAM, MITSUBISHI SAID.

AN OFFICIAL AT SHIN-ETSU CHEMICAL CO., A MAJOR ETHYLENE USER, SAID HIS COMPANY HAS NOT DECIDED YET ON WHETHER TO ACCEPT THE PRICE INCREASE, BUT SAID THERE WOULD BE NO CHOICE BUT TO PASS THE INCREASE ON TO PRICES OF ITS PRODUCTS SUCH AS POLYVINYL CHLORIDE.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 21) KYODO - THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WILL INAUGURATE AN

INTERMINISTRY LIAISON COUNCIL TUESDAY TO STREAMLINE IMPORT FORMALITIES AS IT PROMISED THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, OFFICIALS SAID FRIDAY.

THE COUNCIL WILL BE MADE UP OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SECRETARIAT TO THE CABINET, AND THE MINISTRIES OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, FINANCE, HEALTH AND WELFARE, AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES, INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY, AND TRANSPORT.

THE UNITED STATES IN ITS STRUCTURAL IMPEDIMENTS INITIATIVE (SII) NEGOTIATIONS WITH JAPAN EARLIER IN THE YEAR, SAID THE PRESENT JAPANESE IMPORT PROCEDURES ARE EXCESSIVELY COMPLICATED AND TIME-CONSUMING.

THE U.S. WANTED IMPORT FORMALITIES TO BE STREAMLINED BY 1991 SO THAT IMPORT PERMITS CAN BE GIVEN WITHIN 24 HOURS AFTER PRESENTATION OF IMPORT DECLARATIONS TO THE AUTHORITIES.

AS A FIRST STEP, THE COUNCIL WILL CHECK THE TIME NEEDED IN FOLLOWING IMPORT PROCEDURES. U.S. AUTHORITIES WILL ALSO CONDUCT THE SAME CHECKUP.

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JAKARTA (SEPT. 21) KYODO - AN INDONESIA-JAPAN JOINT STUDY TEAM HAS MADE THE FIRST DISCOVERY OF ANIMAL FOOTPRINT FOSSILS FROM AROUND THE ERA OF THE PITHECANTHROPUS, A JAPANESE MEMBER OF THE TEAM SAID FRIDAY.

THE JOINT TEAM OF THE GEOLOGICAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER OF INDONESIA AND THE JAPAN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGENCY FOUND 23 FOOTPRINTS LEFT BY FOUR DIFFERENT VERTEBRATE ANIMALS, BELIEVED TO BE BUFFALOES OR DEER, ABOUT 700,000 YEARS AGO.

THE FIRST HOMO PITHECANTHROPUS ERECTUS FOSSIL TO BE FOUND IN THE WORLD WAS ON THE BANK OF THE SOLO RIVER IN INDONESIA IN 1891 WHERE THE PITHECANTHROPUS WERE ESTIMATED TO HAVE LIVED FROM 500,000 TO 1 MILLION YEARS AGO.

THE JOINT TEAM MADE AN EXCURSION ALONG THE WIDODAREN RIVER, A BRANCH OF THE SOLO RIVER IN EAST JAVA, ON JULY 31, WHERE DR. SADAYUKI AKAHANE, A PROFESSOR OF GEOLOGY AT SHINSHU UNIVERSITY, NOTICED A SERIES OF SMALL DEPRESSIONS EXPOSED ON THE RIVER BED.

HE SAID, "WE ARE VERY LUCKY TO BE ABLE TO SEE THE REMAINS OF THESE ANIMALS WHICH ARE EITHER BUFFALOES OR DEER."

IT IS POSSIBLE THAT A HUMAN FOOTPRINT OF THE PITHECANTHROPUS ITSELF CAN BE FOUND, HE SAID.

AS A RESULT OF THE LATEST FIND, A BIG SURVEY PROJECT TO PURSUE THIS POSSIBILITY IS JOINTLY PLANNED BY JAPAN AND INDONESIA FOR THE YEAR 1991, THE

CENTENNIAL OF THE FIRST PITHECANTHROPUS FINDING.

THE JOINT STUDY TEAM IS MEANWHILE PLANNING A MORE DETAILED INVESTIGATION OF THE SITE OF THE LATEST FINDING, INCLUDING AN EXCAVATION.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 21) KYODO - THIRTEEN MAJOR TRANS-PACIFIC CONTAINER SHIP OPERATORS, INCLUDING NIPPON YUSEN K.K. (NYK) AND AMERICAN PRESIDENT LINES, HAVE AGREED TO RAISE FREIGHT RATES TO REFLECT SHARPLY INCREASED FUEL OIL PRICES, NYK PRESIDENT JIRO NEMOTO ANNOUNCED FRIDAY.

THE OPERATORS ALSO AGREED TO REDUCE FURTHER THE SUPPLY OF CONTAINER SPACE ABOARD SHIPS FOR THREE MONTHS FROM DECEMBER, AND TO RAISE BASIC FREIGHT RATES FROM MAY 1, 1991.

THE AGREEMENT CAME AT A TOP-LEVEL MEETING OF THE 13 SHIPPING COMPANIES, WHICH FORM THE TRANS-PACIFIC STABILIZATION AGREEMENT (TSA), EARLIER IN THE WEEK AT NEWPORT BEACH IN CALIFORNIA.

THE FIRMS ARE FROM SEVEN COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES -- JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES DENMARK, SOUTH KOREA, HONG KONG, TAIWAN, AND SINGAPORE. NYK PRESIDENT NEMOTO MADE THE ANNOUNCEMENT IN HIS CAPACITY AS TSA CHAIRMAN.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 21) KYODO - DENTSU INC. SAID FRIDAY IT HAS OBTAINED SOVIET GOVERNMENT PERMISSION TO OPEN AN OFFICE IN MOSCOW, THE FIRST JAPANESE ADVERTISING AGENCY TO DO SO.

DENTSU PLANS TO OPEN AN OFFICE STAFFED BY FIVE TO SIX PEOPLE IN JANUARY, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE OFFICE IS AIMED AT COLLECTING INFORMATION ON THE SOVIET MARKET AND ADVERTISEMENTS, AND PROVIDE ADVERTISING AND MARKETING EXPERTISE TO SOVIET BUSINESSES, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 21) KYODO - MAZDA MOTOR CORP. SAID FRIDAY IT WILL SET UP A GEARBOX PRODUCTION FIRM IN BANGKOK IN MID-OCTOBER WITH TOYO MENKA KAISHA LTD., A JAPANESE TRADING FIRM, AND KIJKAMOL SUKOSOL CO., A THAI SALES FIRM FOR MAZDA VEHICLES.

THE JOINT VENTURE, NAMED SUKOSOL AND MAZDA ENGINEERING CO. (SMEC), WILL BE

CAPITALIZED AT THE THAI CURRENCY EQUIVALENT OF 2.1 BILLION YEN, OF WHICH 40 PERCENT WILL BE PROVIDED BY MAZDA, 9 PERCENT BY TOYO MENKA AND 51 PERCENT BY THE THAI COMPANY.

SMEC WILL START THE PRODUCTION OF GEARBOXES FOR SMALL TRUCKS IN JANUARY 1992. GEARBOXES FOR 4,000 VEHICLES WILL BE PRODUCED MONTHLY FOR USE AT MAZDA'S ASSEMBLY PLANT IN THAILAND AND ALSO FOR EXPORT TO INDONESIA AND THE PHILIPPINES.

MAZDA IS NOW ASSEMBLING SMALL CARS AND TRUCKS IN THAILAND.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 21) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

After falling more than 500 points, the Nikkei closes up 175, its first gain in six sessions. ... In London, the FTSE drops 40 points before recovering to be off nine points in early afternoon trading. ... Markets are also lower in Europe where the German DAX has hit another new low for the year.

U.S. stocks in London down across the board, led by IBM which is off one dollar. ... The EXMI is 1.20 lower, suggesting a lower opening on Wall Street. ... The dollar is sharply higher against the pound.

Yield on long bonds rises to 9.06%. ... The NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE reports short interest for the month ended Sept. 14 rose to a record 706.3 million shares.

The FEDERAL RESERVE has given J.P. MORGAN & CO. permission to become the first major U.S. bank holding company to buy and sell corporate stock.

DONALD TRUMP has missed a $1.1 million interest payment on the TRUMP SHUTTLE and is asking that interest payments on the shuttle loan be rescheduled.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA joined the INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND yesterday, becoming the fifth Eastern European country to join the 152-member organization. BULGARIA expects to join next Tuesday. Meanwhile, IMF managing director MICHEL CAMDESSUS predicts the organization will support U.S. attempts to provide aid for countries effected by the turmoil in the Persian Gulf.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

McDONNELL DOUGLAS says it plans to launch production of its net long-range jet

transport, the MD-12X, next year if it gets enough orders.

FROM THE BULLS:

"It is hard to see logically why the market would go up and that is very typical of bottoms. I think we are making a bottom. It is a retest of the recent lows," says STEVE TODD, editor of the "Todd Market Timer." "We could go another 50 points on the downside, but I think we are putting in a very good bottom."

He believes this bottom will come in the next couple of weeks and will be followed by a two- to three-month rally. "I think we are still going to come back to the old highs. I think we still have 3000 in the cards." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/20)

KENNEDY GAMMAGE, editor of the "Richland Report," says that the dip in the McClellan Oscillator below zero this week is indicative of a "buy spike rally" possibly as early as late September. This he says will be "followed by a nice, sexy rally into a November top." He says this move could be explosive. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/20)

"A strange thing about the stock market and events ... you get a string of negatives, and then suddenly, out of the blue, a positive comes," says BILL LeFEVRE of ADVEST INC. "Five-hundred points down on the Dow, 17%, discounts most if not all of the bad news we've experienced." ("Nightly Business Report" 9/20)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The bottom line is that the market is heading lower for the next few months," says RICKY HARRINGTON, of MARION BASS SECURITIES. "He says the Dow "could fall to 2100 to 2200 sometime before the end of the year." ("USA Today", 9/21)

"I think the market trend has shifted from being at all bullish to bearish," according to MICHAEL MANZA of M.J. MEEHAN & CO. "There's not a lot to be encouraged about," says Manza, who thinks the Middle East is the greatest factor weighing on the market. ("Nightly Business Report", 9/20)

"I would say we are looking into next year at the earliest [for a return to growth of the 30 Dow stock prices]," says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA of GRUNTAL & CO. "You might see ten to 15 percent further down" before Dow share prices start rising again. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/20)

"People say too many people are bearish," says MICHAEL MURPHY, publisher of "Overpriced Stock Service" and "California Technology Stock Letter." "I say they're not bearish enough." ("USA Today", 9/21)

After testing its lows next week, the market could stage a typical bear market

rally lasting into early November and drifting up toward the 2750 area, says MICHAEL JENKINS at "Stock Cycles Forecast."

But he warns, "Bear markets are notoriously selective so a lot of stocks never rally at all ... if you still have stocks that go down everyday, you must liquidate them." Jenkins doesn't think the 3000 mark will be broken for another seven years. (CNBC "World Business", 9/21)

"It seems like all the news is bad news these days," says SCUDDER STEVENS' HOWARD WARD. "On the one hand you have the growing fears of recession," which will bring lower earnings, according to Ward, and, "on the other hand, you've got to be concerned about war, and in an environment where you have a deteriorating economy and prospects for war, it's very difficult to get excited about buying stocks." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/20)

STOCK MARKET:

Expect more of the same low volume and high volatility during today's triple witching, predicts DENNIS KELLY, vice-president at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT.

"I think it's natural that you have to be on the sidelines ... The market is not really going down because of the severity of the selling, it's just that the buyers are standing by the side." (CNBC "Marketwatch", 9/20)

"We're not out of the woods where we can say this is going to be the low," cautions KIDDER PEABODY chief market strategist DENNIS JARRETT. "A little more capitulation is going to be necessary."

At YAMAICHI INTERNATIONAL, ANDREW RILEY says, "In this environment, good news is bad news and bad news is really bad news." (CNN "Business Morning", 9/21)

"There's growing concern about the banking problem and there's a lack of any good news," says SUSAN DEL SIGNORE of TRAVELERS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT. She says she was getting 'the most negative calls [yesterday] I've gotten since I've been in this business. People are losing heart." (WSJ, 9/21)

"The market is still digesting Alan Greenspan's congressional testimony [from Wednesday] and the Mideast is still a powder keg," says KENNETH DUCEY at S.G. WARBURG.

"There's been no concrete news ... to cause a nearly 409-point loss in the Dow but I think Iraq's most recent revelation that it intends to blow up all the oil fields in the event of war - Saddam [Hussein] has said this before - is having a little more effect on the market Thursday than it has in the past," says THOMAS GALLAGHER at OPPENHEIMER & CO. ("The Washington Post", 9/21)

"The heavy sell programs [yesterday] caught everyone off guard," says TRUDE LATIMER of JOSEPHTHAL. "Some of it was in advance of triple witching. But some

of the selling could be a follow-through to [Fed Chairman Alan] Greenspan's statements, which might not have sunk in on Wednesday." ("USA Today", 9/21)

The recent low-volume market is "more susceptible to short-term influences," says MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER & CO. "The reaction's much more pronounced." Metz points out that low volume can "be lethal to Wall Street," and may lead to layoffs at brokerage firms. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/20)

"Lots of people are just giving up on the market now," says FRANK GRETZ of SHIELDS & CO. "No one's looking for good news." ("USA Today", 9/21)

"We're back under a quieter market, but every now and then you get spikes up and down," says MICHAEL LIPPER of LIPPER ANALYTICAL. He characterizes recent action as "dull." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/20)

"In this environment, good news is bad news, and bad news is really bad news," according to ANDREW RILEY, a market strategist for YAMAICHI INTERNATIONAL. "Almost everybody is a hostage." (CNN "Moneyline", 9/20)

"We're not out of the woods where we can say this is going to be the low from here until 1991," predicts DENNIS JARRETT of KIDDER, PEABODY. "There's still a little bit more capitulation that's going to be necessary." (CNN "Moneyline", 9/20)

"Earlier this week the stock market appeared to be holding together, but it began to weaken Wednesday," says JAY HOHMANN of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE. He says we are "on the brink of a recession, if not already in one." ("Investor's Daily", 9/21)

STOCK TIPS:

The "Heard on the Street" column in this morning's "Wall Street Journal" focuses on GENERAL ELECTRIC, whose stock is down 9% in a week, in part on concern about its huge loan portfolio.

The article quotes GE VICE CHAIRMAN LAWRENCE BOSSIDY as saying, "We are confused why these people seem to be concern." He says GE Capital earnings grew 20% in the first half of 1990 and should grow 15% to 20% in the second half. "We are on target to meet our 1990 goals," he says. (WSJ, 9/21)

"Rip Van Winkle would be my favorite customer," says ELLIOTT SCHLANG of PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. "He'll wake up five years from now to discover that these companies have done incredibly well."

Which companies? Schlang likes TOOTSIE ROLL INDUSTRIES, SAFETY-KLEEN, CINTAS, RPM INC., HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES, J.M. SMUCKER and STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH CORP. ("USA Today", 9/21)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"The dollar is fairly well underpinned," says IAN FOAKES, foreign exchange manager at PAINEWEBBER. "It looks better than the last time it was up here" at Thursday's levels. (WSJ, 9/21)

Rumors that the BANK OF JAPAN was about to raise interest rates sent "people rushing to buy yen for the high yield attraction," according to GILBERT CISNEROS of BANK OF BOSTON. But when the rumor proved false, those same people "got caught short and dumped yen to buy dollars." ("Investor's Daily", 9/21)

"The sooner we get a budget deal, the sooner the FEDERAL RESERVE will be in a position to ease interest rates," says RAYMOND STONE of STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. "I think the [Robert Dole proposal to separate a capital gains tax cut from deficit reduction negotiations] is good news, but the [bond] market did not react to it." (NYT, 9/21)

"I think his [Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan] job is chopped liver unless something really dramatic happens," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "He refused, essentially, to walk the plank for the administration intellectually by promising good things when in fact he could not deliver good things. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/20)

"Many of the ... big banks have actually gone to industrial customers such as Toyota to ask for loans," says JAMES GRANT, publisher of "Grant's Interest Rate Observer." Grant says when the providers of bank credit to the entire world begin to chaff under inadequate capital, it's a sign of stagnation. (CNBC "Marketwatch", 9/20)

"I would suspect that the next best experience is going to be in the bond market because I think it is inevitable that this economy will be declared in a recession if it's not already there and the corrective measures will need to be taken at that point in time, which leads to lower interest rates," says DENNIS KELLY, vice president at JANNEY, MONTGOMERY SCOTT. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/20)

LAWRENCE LEUZZI of S.G. WARBURG says reports that some congressional leaders may try to delay automatic spending cuts even without a budget agreement were a big disappointment to bond investors.

"This could be the first chink in the Gramm-Rudman armor that could

potentially lead to the unraveling of the legislation," says LEUZZI. "If they delay Gramm-Rudman a few weeks for the budget negotiations, then next they may want to delay it until the Persian Gulf crisis is resolved. And that would be very negative for the markets." (WSJ, 9/21)

THE ECONOMY:

A new poll by "The Wall Street Journal" and "NBC" finds half of those questioned saying they think the economy will get worse in the next year, a stark increase from the one-third who held that pessimistic view only two months ago.

Fifty-two percent said they were somewhat uncomfortable or very uncomfortable about putting money in stocks. Just slightly over ten percent said they were very comfortable about stocks. (WSJ, 9/21)

DUN & BRADSTREET's quarterly survey of executive opinion shows "Business optimism is currently at the lowest levels since the recession of 1982," according to the firm's chief statistician JOSEPH DUNCAN.

He also noted that "consumers are notoriously headline-prone," and could therefore curtail their spending as a result of the Middle East crisis. "Some of the fundamentals are reasonably strong, but if people stop spending money or stop investing in companies, they could easily force a downturn," according to Duncan. ("Investor's Daily", 9/21)

"Looking at all the numbers that have come out, the odds of a recession are very good," says RICKY HARRINGTON, of MARION BASS SECURITIES. "It's time to be gloomy." ("USA Today", 9/21)

If consumers pull in their spending horns, the predicted recession "could become a self-fulfilling prophecy," according to RICHARD O'BRIEN, an economist at HEWLETT-PACKARD.

"There's a lot of uncertainty and a lot of pessimism, but the economic fundamentals haven't deteriorated that much" since the beginning of the problems in the Middle East. ("Investor's Daily", 9/21)

"The fact of the matter is, high deficits in our economy and a weak economy are the right salve to lower inflation rates," says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA of GRUNTAL & CO.

"It doesn't lead to higher inflation rates. So probably six to nine months from now we will see substantially lower rates which will move bonds higher and may start the whole process of higher stock prices again going into next year." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/21)

ROBERT HERMES, president of the PURVIN & GERTZ energy consulting firm in

Houston, says oil demand may be falling "more than is generally realized because of higher prices and a weakening economy."

Still, he says sharply higher oil prices remain possible if supply conditions change. "The trouble is, we're right on the edge and it doesn't take but one or two things - such as a very bad winter or an accident that puts a major facility out of commission - to push it over the edge." (NYT, 9/21)

"Since the Fed doesn't want a recession but can do little to undo the general weakness, the economy is in an unfamiliar limbo with little growth in prospect " says T. ROWE PRICE economist PAUL BOLTZ.

He predicts the third and/or fourth quarters will show a contraction in the economy, unless there is a quick and favorable resolution to the Middle East crisis. "In light of the Fed's rhetorical goal of reducing inflation, perhaps a sluggish economy is preferable to robust growth at a time of higher inflation " says Boltz. ("Investor's Daily", 9/21)

"If we had a peaceful environment, the price of oil would be around $23 a barrel," says ROSARIO ILACQUA of ROTHSCHILD. "In an embargo environment, which is what we are in right now, I would say somewhere in the $28 to $33 level, and above that it's all war speculation." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/20)

"So far this [economic downturn] has not been very sharp to warrant a meeting of the committee" that declares when recessions officially begin and end, says PROF. GEOFFREY MOORE of COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, who is a member of that group. "I haven't attempted to call any of the other members, and they haven't called me." He says we may currently be in a recession. (CNN "Moneyline", 9/20)

RICHARD HOEY, chief economist at BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD RESEARCH, believes the economy went into a recession in August. "It could have started as early as May, but clearly we were into recession by August," he says. "The most likely exit point is the spring of 1991." ("USA Today", 9/21)

IN WASHINGTON:

SENATE MINORITY LEADER ROBERT DOLE, breaking with the BUSH ADMINISTRATION, is suggesting that the capital gains tax cut proposal be considered separately from any deficit-reduction package of spending cuts and tax increases. ("The Washington Post", 9/21)

The KIPLINGER WASHINGTON LETTER has been forecasting a capital gains tax cut for a year and a half. "We continue to believe so," says associate editor KNIGHT KIPLINGER.

"The question is what price the Republicans will have to pay to get capital

gains into the package." Kiplinger says the price could be steep, including a trimming of deductions and possibly higher brackets for wealthier taxpayers. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/21)

WILLIAM SEIDMAN, chairman of the RESOLUTION TRUST CORP., is proposing that the federal government provide financing to purchasers of commercial and residential properties to speed the sale of $50 billion in real estates and other assets seized as part of the S&L bailout. "If we don't, then we will sell less property."

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Mail Boxes Etc. ("MBE") (NASDAQ: MAIL), the nation's largest franchisor of postal, business and communications services, announced today that it has signed a definitive stock purchase agreement with United Parcel Service ("UPS"). The transaction was previously announced on July 9, 1990. Under the agreement, UPS will purchase 400,000 shares of MBE stock at a price of $25.25 per share ($10.1 million) and 400,000 warrants, each exercisable to acquire one share of MBE stock, for a price of $1.168 million. The warrants will be exercisable over a three-year period at prices ranging from $27 to $38.88 per share. MBE stock closed on Sept. 20, 1990, at $22 per share.

The company anticipates closing the transaction in the near future and as soon as practicable after expiration of the waiting period under the provisions of the Hart Scott Rodino Anti-Trust Improvements Act of 1976.

Kidder Peabody & Co. has acted as the company's financial advisor during this transaction.

Mail Boxes Etc. has more than 1,200 franchises in 44 states and Puerto Rico, as well as MBE Centers in Canada, Mexico and Japan. Mail Boxes Etc. has been ranked by Forbes magazine as the 42nd best among "America's 200 Best Small Companies."

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TORONTO (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Bayer AG, West Germany, has received permission from both the Canadian government (Investment Canada) and the German antitrust authority (Bundeskartellamt) to acquire the Polysar Rubber Division of Nova Corp. of Alberta, Canada, it was announced today.

Since the Federal Trade Commission in the United States and the Bureau of Competition Policy in Canada had previously handed down positive decisions,

all necessary approvals for the acquisition have now been received and closing is expected to take place within the next few weeks.

After the acquisition, Polysar will assume responsibility for Bayer's rubber activities in North America under the name, "Polysar Rubber Corp.," Toronto, Ontario. Bayer intends to invest about Can. $120 million in Polysar's Canadian operations within the next three years. Research activities based at Sarnia, Ontario, are to be intensified. Bayer will maintain Polysar's high standards of environmental protection at all operations.

With approximately 3,600 employees worldwide, Polysar Rubber is one of the leading producers of synthetic rubber, primarily for the tire industry and technical rubber articles. In addition to its main plant in Sarnia, Canada, the company also has production centers in Orange, Texas, Strasbourg, France, and Antwerp, Belgium.

With the planned acquisition, Bayer will supplement its existing range of rubber products, which have been produced primarily in Western Europe up to now. This will strengthen the company's position in the world's major markets: North America, Europe and the Far East.

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DANBURY, CONN. (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Barden Corporation (NASDAQ: BARD) and FAG Bearings Corporation announced today that a wholly owned subsidiary of FAG Bearings, FAG Finance Corporation, has commenced its previously announced tender offer to acquire all of the outstanding common stock of The Barden Corporation at a purchase price of $66.50 per share net to the seller in cash. As of Aug. 30, 1990, there were 1,972,282 shares outstanding on a fully diluted basis.

The Barden Corporation announced on Sept. 17, 1990 that it signed a definitive agreement to be acquired by FAG Bearings of Stamford in order to create a large, strong and competitive U.S. bearing manufacturing group designed to provide customers with a wider range of anti-friction bearing products over the long-term.

The offer and withdrawal rights will expire at midnight, New York time, on Friday, Oct. 19, 1990 unless extended. The offer is conditioned upon, among other things, there being validly tendered and not withdrawn prior to the expiration of the offer that number of shares which together with the shares subject to purchase pursuant to the stock option agreement represents at least 66-2/3 percent of the Barden common shares outstanding on a fully diluted basis and required regulatory approvals.

As soon as practicable following completion of the tender offer and after any required approvals by shareholders, FAG Bearings will cause FAG Finance Corporation to merge into the company and all remaining common shares will be converted into the right to receive $66.50 per share.

PaineWebber Incorporated will act as dealer manager in the offer and Georgeson & Company Inc. will act as the information agent.

CONTACT: Stanley Noss of The Barden Corporation, 203-744-2211; or Ruth Pachman or Roanne Kulakoff of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Barden

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - National Data Corp. (NASDAQ: NDTA) today announced revenues of $61.6 million and earnings per share of $0.18 for the first quarter ended Aug. 31.

L.C. Whitney, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We are pleased to report this return to profitability from our previous quarter, in line with our expectations."

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, ended May 31, the company reported a $1.32 per-share loss which included a one-time charge of $19.6 million, or $1.20 a share. Without this one-time charge, the loss for the fourth quarter was $0.12 per share. Compared to that, the current quarter's earnings per share of $0.18 is an improvement of $0.30.

The $61.6 million in revenue for the quarter just ended compares to $75.3 million for the first quarter last year. Net income was $2.1 million, down from $6.5 million the prior year. Earnings per share were $0.18, compared to $0.55 last year.

"Although total revenue is down compared to the first quarter of the previous year," Whitney pointed out, "if you factor out the US Sprint business, consolidated revenue is up 12 percent. In fact, revenue is up in every area of our business except Communications Services."

National Data Corp. provides business solutions requiring timely access to critical information to the retail, healthcare, financial and communications markets worldwide.

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MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeion Corporation (NASDAQ: ANGN) (BSE: ANI) and Hanrow Financial Group, Ltd. have signed a definitive agreement calling for Hanrow to purchase 500,000 shares of unregistered Angeion stock at $3.35 per share.

The transaction is expected to be closed by the end of September. Hanrow's original letter of interest regarding the purchase was announced by Angeion on July 31.

Founded in 1989, Hanrow Financial Group, Ltd. is a merchant banking partnership focusing on long-term, friendly investments in small and medium-sized companies in the Upper Midwest.

Minneapolis-based Angeion Corporation is a manufacturer of cardiovascular products. Under its subsidiary AngeLase, it is currently engaged in the research and development of a catheter which would provide a nonsurgical cure for arrhythmia. Angeion's current core business target is the angioplasty accessory market.

Angeion is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ANGN and on the Boston Stock Exchange under the symbol ANI.

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PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - National Intergroup Inc. (NYSE: NII), announced today that it is extending its tender offer for all outstanding Cumulative Convertible Preference Units representing limited partnership interests of Permian Partners, L.P. until 12 midnight (New York City time) on Oct. 5, 1990, subject to NII's right to extend the offer further, and that, in accordance with the terms of the offer, the cash portion of the purchase price under the tender offer has been reduced from $3.85 per Preference Unit, subject to adjustment, to $3.5625 per preference unit, subject to adjustment, to reflect the preferred quarterly distribution of $0.2875 per preference unit which has been declared for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 (the "Third Quarter Distribution").

The offer was previously scheduled to expire at 12 midnight (New York City time), on Sept. 25, 1990. The $3.5625 cash portion of the purchase price will be subject to further reduction by the per preference unit amount of any distributions on the preference units as of a record date subsequent to Oct. 1 1990 and prior to consummation of the offer.

As previously announced, the Third Quarter Distribution will be paid on the earlier of Nov. 30, 1990 or promptly upon the closing of the tender offer to holders of record of preference units on Oct. 1, 1990. NII said that all

holders of record of preference units on Oct. 1, 1990 will be entitled to receive the Third Quarter Distribution, regardless of whether they tender their preference units before or after Oct. 1, 1990. NII said that a Third Supplement to its Offer to Purchase containing the revised terms of the tender offer is being filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission today and will be mailed to holders of preference units promptly.

As of the close of business on Sept. 20, 1990, approximately 7,392,752 preference units had been tendered and not withdrawn pursuant to the offer. The offer is conditioned upon, among other things, there being tendered and not withdrawn prior to the expiration of the offer at least 7,875,001 of the publicly-held preference units representing a majority of the publicly-held preference units.

The offer is also conditioned upon, among other things, (i) the adoption of an Amendment to Permian's Partnership Agreement which would permit NII, upon acquiring a majority of the publicly-held preference units pursuant to the tender offer, to purchase all remaining preference units at a price equal to the purchase price paid under the tender offer; and (ii) the issuance of a final unappealable judicial order approving the terms of the previously announced settlement of certain litigation relating to the tender offer. As of the close of business on Sept. 20, 1990, approximately 5,625,618 preference and common units (excluding units held by the General Partner and its affiliates) had consented to the adoption of the Amendment. Adoption of the Amendment requires the valid and unrevoked consents of limited partners (other than the General Partner and any of its affiliates) holding at least 7,889,584 units, acting as a single class. On Sept. 5, 1990 the Delaware Court entered an order approving the terms of the settlement. If that order is not appealed within thirty days after entry of the order, it will become a final unappealable judicial order in satisfaction of the settlement condition.

CONTACT: Judith A. Hale of National Intergroup Inc., 412-394-4305

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#90264p6784 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Quest BioTechnology, Inc. (NASDAQ: QBIO) (Quest) today announced the results for its third quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1990. During the nine-month period, Quest recognized $253,750 in revenues compared with $505,000 for the same period last year. Quest's net loss was comparable for the three- month period and modestly lower for the nine-month period as a result of the realization of certain reimbursable expenses.

QUEST BIOTECHNOLOGY, INC.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

(Unaudited)

Periods	3 months	9 months

ended July 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating revenue	$ ---	---	$253,750	$505,000
Operating expense	$232,665	$228,966	$727,119	$850,983
Operating loss	($232,665)	($228,966)	($473,369)	($345,983)
Other income (expense)	$2,033	($839)	$141,932	($1,204)
Net loss	($230,632)	($229,805)	($331,437)	($347,187)
Net loss per share of common stock	($0.10)	($0.10)	($0.14)	($0.15)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	2,391,079	2,391,079	2,391,079	2,292,177

Quest BioTechnology, Inc. is a development stage company organized to acquire, develop and commercialize biotechnology and human health- care products and processes. Quest is organized into two groups, the Technology Development Group which manages Quest's two wholly owned subsidiaries, PolyCell, Inc. and Quest Blood Substitute, Inc., and the Clinical Diagnostics Group, formed to implement turnarounds of diagnostics-based businesses.

CONTACT: Mary J. Lore, chief financial officer of Quest BioTechnology, Inc., 313-873-0200, or (Facsimile) 313-873-4935

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#90264p6786 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert L. Kirk, president and chief executive officer of CSX Transportation Inc. today announced the appointment of John L. Sweeney as executive vice president for CSX Transportation.

"This change recognizes John's valuable contributions in providing leadership on a broad range of important issues, from labor-management initiatives to strategic planning," Kirk said. "His pioneering work in the area of rail labor negotiations has been instrumental in leading CSX into a new era of labor-management cooperation."

Sweeney, 62, will in the months immediately ahead, devote his efforts almost entirely to the national round of rail labor bargaining and the congressional effort that will follow, if such a congressional effort is required because the parties cannot reach an agreement.

Sweeney joined CSX predecessor, Chessie System Inc., in Baltimore in 1985 as senior vice president-labor relations and government affairs following years of federal service, primarily in transportation, transportation consulting work, including the Association of American Railroads (AAR) in Washington, D.C.

He came to Washington in 1959 after serving as assistant to the governor of Michigan, to work for former U.S. Sen. Robert McNamara. From 1963 to 1965, he

directed a presidential commission that was appointed to study the problems of Appalachia. In 1965, he was named chairman of the Appalachian Regional Commission, and from 1967 to 1969 was assistant secretary for the U.S. Department of Transportation.

For the next 16 years, Sweeney served as president of a Washington-based consulting firm; headed federal relations and labor relations for Conrail, ran his own consulting firm and worked for the AAR as senior vice president before joining the Chessie System.

A graduate of Michigan State University with a master's degree in history, Sweeney earned a law degree from George Washington University.

CSX Transportation Inc. and its 37,500 employees provide customers with rail transportation and distribution services over a 19,200 route-mile network in 20 states, the District of Columbia and Ontario, Canada.

CONTACT: Donna W. Rohrer of CSX Transportation, 904-359-1510

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BOSTON (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Colonial Group (NASDAQ: COGRA) closed end funds -- monthly release follows:

COLONIAL INVESTMENT GRADE MUNICIPAL TRUST (CXH)

	Maturities		Dividends		
Quality	8/31/90	In Years	8/31/90	Record Date	Amount
1	2.87%	10/16/89	$0.08250		
AA	18.40%	1-5	33.45%	11/15/89	$0.08250
A	29.92%	5-10	27.16%	12/15/89	$0.08250
BAA	12.05%	10-20	18.97%	1/15/90	$0.08250
BA	1.18%	20-30	11.93%	2/15/90	$0.08250
Nonrated	24.80%	30	5.62%	3/15/90	$0.08250
	100.00%		100.00%	4/17/90	$0.08250
				5/15/90	$0.08250
				6/15/90	$0.08000
				7/16/90	$0.07750
				8/15/90	$0.07500
				9/17/90	$0.07500

NAV: $10.82 DATE OF ISSUE: 5/16/89 ASSET SIZE: $124.6 million

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COLONIAL HIGH INCOME MUNICIPAL TRUST (NYSE: CXE)

Quality	Maturities 8/31/90	In Years	Dividends 8/31/90	Record Date	Amount
1	2.69%	9/29/89	$0.06250		
AA	11.53%	1-5	33.85%	10/31/89	$0.06400
A	18.94%	5-10	9.90%	11/30/89	$0.06500
BAA	6.64%	10-20	22.89%	12/29/89	$0.06700
BA	1.27%	20-30	22.07%	1/31/90	$0.06800
B	1.07%	30	8.60%	2/28/90	$0.06900
Nonrated	49.88%			3/30/90	$0.06900
	100.00%		100.00%	4/30/90	$0.06900
				5/31/90	$0.06900
				6/29/90	$0.06900
				7/31/90	$0.06900
				8/31/90	$0.06900

NAV: $9.07 DATE OF ISSUE: 2/16/89 ASSET SIZE: $275.4 million

COLONIAL INTERMEDIATE HIGH INCOME TRUST (NYSE: CIF)

Quality	Maturities 8/31/90	In Years	Dividends 8/31/90	Record Date	Amount	Record Date	Amount
1	6.02%	9/29/89	$0.10000	3/30/90	$0.09000		
B	63.61%	1-5	11.16	10/31/89	$0.10000	4/30/90	$0.09000
CCC	19.52%	5-10	68.41%	11/30/89	$0.10000	5/31/90	$0.09000
C	2.26%	10-20	14.41%	12/28/89	$0.10000	6/29/90	$0.09000
D	0.36%			1/31/90	$0.10000	7/31/90	$0.09000 Non-
rated	9.03%			2/28/90	$0.10000	8/31/90	$0.09000
	100.00%		100.00%				

NAV: $6.03 DATE OF ISSUE: 7/21/88 ASSET SIZE: $80.1 million

COLONIAL MUNICIPAL INCOME TRUST (NYSE: CMU)

Quality	Maturities (8/31/90)	In Years	Dividends (8/31/90)	Record Date	Amount	Record Date	Amount
1	6.75%	9/29/89	$0.06300	3/30/90	$0.06000		
AA	7.06%	1-5	7.82%	10/31/89	$0.06300	4/30/90	$0.06000
A	1.64%	5-10	33.10%	11/30/89	$0.06300	5/31/90	$0.06000
BAA	19.10%	10-20	30.18%	12/29/89	$0.06000	6/29/90	$0.06000
BA	0.39%	20-30	21.25%	1/31/90	$0.06000	7/31/90	$0.06000 Non-

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NAV: $8.33 DATE OF ISSUE: 3/17/87 ASSETS SIZE: $221.9 million

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COLONIAL INTERMARKET INCOME TRUST (NYSE: CMK)

	Maturities (8/31/90)		Maturities (8/31/90)	Dividends Record		Dividends Record	
1	29.40%	11/15/89	$0.12000	5/15/90	$0.12000		
AA	19.80%	1-5	21.60%	12/15/89	$0.12000	6/15/90	$0.10500
B	24.50%	5-10	25.00%	1/15/90	$0.12000	7/16/90	$0.10500
Non-rated	1.00%	10-20	7.60%	2/15/90	$0.12000	8/15/90	$0.10500
		20-30	16.40%	3/15/90	$0.12000	9/17/90	$0.10500
	100.00%		100.00%	4/17/90	$0.12000		

NAV: $10.87 DATE OF ISSUE: 9/22/89 ASSETS SIZE: $119.7 million

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DEERFIELD, ILL. (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Premark International Inc. (NYSE: PMI) today announced a public offering of $100 million of 10-1/2 percent notes due in 2000. The proceeds will be used to retire outstanding commercial paper issued in connection with the acquisition of Sikes Corporation and the repurchase of Premark common stock.

The notes, which were offered pursuant to a $200 million shelf registration filed by Premark in June 1990, will mature on Sept. 15, 2000 and may not be redeemed prior to maturity. Goldman, Sachs, & Co. and Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated are the lead managers of the underwriting group, which also includes The First Boston Corporation, Salomon Brothers Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.

Premark International, Inc. is a $2.6-billion multinational company that markets premium products under leading brands such as Tupperware, West Bend, Wilsonart, Hobart, Vulcan, Hartco, Florida Tile and Precor. Premark stock is listed on the New York, Pacific and London Stock Exchanges.

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#90264p6798 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWOOD, MA (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Analog Devices (NYSE: ADI) announced today that its board of directors decided to take a non-operating, non-cash charge of approximately $12 million in the fourth fiscal quarter against its Analog Devices Enterprises venture capital portfolio.

Ray Stata, president and chairman of the board, said, "The near-term liquidity of these investments is limited, based on the soft market and economic climate for early-stage, high-technology companies. Therefore, to give us the greatest flexibility in managing or disposing of these assets, the carrying value of the portfolio is being reduced to a level which, in the company's judgment, approximates its realizable near-term liquidation value. Should we liquidate these investments at a higher value in the future we would see an addition to non-operating income.

"Also," he continued, "the volatile performance of the companies in the portfolio has continued to produce a random and unpredictable impact on Analog Devices' earnings. By taking this action now, we believe that the uncertainty of the impact of the ADE portfolio on Analog's future financial performance will be removed."

This charge is in addition to the previously-announced $12 to $15 million nonrecurring charge the company expects to realize in the fourth quarter as a result of planned restructuring and inventory adjustments following the acquisition of Precision Monolithics.

Joseph Hinchey, senior vice president-finance, said, "Analog Devices remains in a very strong financial condition since these charges are largely non-cash, book value adjustments. Our debt-to-equity ratio following the $60.5 million cash purchase of Precision Monolithics is only 8 percent. Through the first three quarters of fiscal 1990 we generated $40 million in cash, net of capital expenditures, and we expect positive cash flow again in the fourth quarter."

The combined sales of Analog Devices and PMI are currently running at an annual rate of approximately $540 million. Analog Devices is a leading manufacturer of precision high-performance integrated circuits used in analog and digital signal processing applications. The company also manufactures board-level products used in computerized data acquisition and measurement and control applications. The company employs approximately 5,700 people worldwide, and has manufacturing facilities in Massachusetts, California, North Carolina, Ireland, Japan, the Philippines and the United Kingdom.

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#90264p6802 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Gateway Communications (NASDAQ: GWAY) announced today its plans to discontinue OEM sales of the Novell NetWare operating system, and focus more on providing connectivity products, effective Nov. 1, 1990.

Bert R. Ott, vice president of sales at Gateway explained, "We will continue to support NetWare and participate in Novell's Independent Manufacturers Support Program, so that we can remain compatible with NetWare and address the market in the future.

"In addition, we have been aggressively developing LAN software for non-NetWare operating systems such as Banyan Vines, OS/2 LAN Manager and NetBIOS environments. Many Gateway Remote Network Access products have been compatible with both NetWare and non-NetWare environments for years," he said.

Although Gateway will continue to support NetWare, the decision was made as part of the company's strategy to decrease is dependency on NetWare and lower-margin products, while broadening the scope of operating systems supported by its local and wide area networking products. Gateway and Novell have mutually agreed that it is not in either party's best interest to continue the current vendor/OEM relationship for NetWare.

For the first six months of 1990, Gateway's NetWare sales were $2.1 million, as compared to $2.3 million for the first six months of 1989. Gross profit on NetWare sales during each of these six month periods were $700,000 and $1.1 million, respectively. Gateway does not expect that research and development selling and marketing, and general and administrative expenses will change significantly as a result of the discontinuance of NetWare sales.

The company will continue to provide technical support for those versions of NetWare which it has sold. Those version include: NetWare 386 v3.1, SFT NetWare 286 v2.15c, Advanced NetWare 286 v2.15c, ELS II NetWare v2.15c, ELS I NetWare v2.12 and v2.0a.

Gateway Communications Inc. is a leading supplier of networking and communications products for IBM and compatible PCs. Gateway products are sold in more than 70 countries worldwide. Corporate headquarters are located at 2941 Alton Ave., Irvine, Calif., 92714; telephone 714-553-1555; fax 714-553-1616.

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#90264p6803 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Chambers Development Company Inc. (AMEX: CDVB), a leading national environmental services firm, today announced that it has been awarded a multimillion-dollar environmental services contract with Hunterdon County, N.J.

The contract is for a five-year period to operate a recycling and transfer station, and to transport and dispose of the county's solid waste. Based on how the contract is implemented the amount paid to Chambers during the five-year life of the contract can range from $8 million to $38 million.

The Hunterdon County award calls for service to begin Nov. 1, 1990, and according to Alexander Rangos, executive vice president of Chambers, "the contract provides Hunterdon County with cost-effective, environmentally sound waste disposal over a long-term period."

"We are pleased to execute this agreement and to work with Hunterdon County in developing a solution for their future solid waste disposal.

"This contract is just another example of Chambers' continuing public/private partnership initiatives for developing environmentally safe and economically efficient means to serve the waste disposal needs of the community and business," Rangos said. "The combination of effective county planning and private enterprise on developing solutions for disposal makes a great combination for New Jersey."

Chambers Development Company, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is a leading environmental firm offering services in recycling, collection, hauling, disposal and landfill development. The company also provides security through its wholly owned subsidiary, Security Bureau Inc., one of the largest U.S. security firms.

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ROCKFORD, ILL. (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Sundstrand Corporation (NYSE: SNS) and Milton Roy Company (NYSE: MRC) announced today that following a special meeting of Milton Roy's board of directors, the companies have entered into a definitive agreement for the acquisition of Milton Roy by Sundstrand. Under the terms of the agreement, Milton Roy shareholders, other than Sundstrand, will receive $28 in cash for each outstanding share of Milton Roy's common stock (a total of approximately $128,000,000). The transaction, which is subject to regulatory approvals, will be submitted for approval by Milton Roy shareholders at a special meeting of shareholders tentatively scheduled for Dec. 5, 1990. The closing of the transaction is anticipated to occur in December 1990 or in early January 1991. Following the merger, Milton Roy will operate as a subsidiary of Sundstrand. Commenting on the transaction,

Harry C. Stonecipher, president and chief executive officer of Sundstrand, stated, "Milton Roy is an excellent strategic fit with Sundstrand's industrial business segment. This transaction brings to us additional sales in products and markets with characteristics that match our growth plans." Richard E. Schmidt, chairman of the board and president of Milton Roy, stated, "The board, after extensive deliberations and considering the advice of its financial advisor Merrill Lynch Capital Markets, concluded that this transaction provides fair value to our shareholders and an opportunity for Milton Roy to broaden its distribution base and maintain its commitment to its employees and its customers."

With 1989 sales of $1,595 million, Sundstrand Corporation is a market leader in the design, manufacture and sale of a variety of proprietary, technology-based components and subsystems for both aerospace and industrial markets. Sundstrand products serve manufacturers and end users on a world-wide basis.

Milton Roy, also international in scope, had 1989 sales of $125 million to U.S. and international industrial customers, many of whom are currently using Sundstrand products. The principal products of Milton Roy are metering pumps and analytical instruments.

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#90264p6807 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKFORD, ILL. AND ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Sundstrand Corporation (NYSE: SNS) and Milton Roy Company (NYSE: MRC) announced today that following a special meeting of Milton Roy's board of directors, the companies have entered into a definitive agreement for the acquisition of Milton Roy by Sundstrand. Under the terms of the agreement, Milton Roy shareholders other than Sundstrand will receive $28 in cash for each outstanding share of Milton Roy's common stock (a total of approximately $128,000,000). The transaction, which is subject to regulatory approvals, will be submitted for approval by Milton Roy shareholders at a special meeting of shareholders tentatively scheduled for Dec. 5, 1990. The closing of the transaction is anticipated to occur in December, 1990 or in early January, 1991. Following the merger, Milton Roy will operate as a subsidiary of Sundstrand.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Grand Bay Management Company has agreed to develop Grand Bay Hotels as part of a group of golf and country club resorts being developed by International Golf Associates of Europe (IGA).

IGA is a Luxembourg-based developer of European golf resorts owning through group subsidiaries properties in Italy, France and Germany.

Grand Bay Management Company (GBMC) is a joint venture of Miami-based TCC and Tobishima Associtess, Ltd.

According to TCC Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Sherwood M. Weiser, Grand Bay Management Company initially will develop and operate seven new European hotels in conjunction with IGA. IGA will manage the golf courses for all of the properties through its operating affiliates, while Grand Bay Management Company will operate the hotels, restaurants, spas, and conference facilities. The initial resort developments include:

Castel del Nero at Florence, Italy, a 45-hole golf development of approximately 900 acres surrounding a 14th century Tuscan castle. The castle is being renovated to house the restaurants, meeting facilities, hotel arrival and reception and related facilities. The other existing buildings, which formerly housed workers and staff for the castle and grounds, will be renovated and converted into 175 luxury hotel rooms and 27 apartments. The tournament-standard golf courses were master planned by Robert Trent Jones Sr. with finalization by Cabell Robinson. Apart from the golf facilities, a full-service sporting club with tennis and spa is planned. Initial construction has started and the complex will be completed in 1993-1994.

Le Golf du Manoir de Soufflenheim, in the Alsace, is located 15 minutes from the famous German town Baden-Baden and will feature a Jack Nicklaus designed 18-hole tournament course, a Jack Nicklaus Golf Academy, tennis and other recreational facilities. Le Manoir de Soufflenheim is planned as a 97-room luxury hotel designed in Alsation tradition by the famous French architect Francois Spoerry. More than 100 luxury apartments, "Les Residences du Manoir de Soufflenheim," are being built next to the golf course and hotel. The resort is scheduled for opening in 1992.

Le Kempferhof at Strasbourg, France, is an old private estate which borders the Rhine River. While carefully respecting the natural beauty of the site, famous golf architect Robert van Hagge has designed a challenging 18-hole championship course with an extension to 27 holes. The 18-hole course was opened in May 1990 and the extension will be started in late 1990. The old mansion house is being renovated to become a fine dining restaurant, and ground will be broken in early 1991 for an 84-room deluxe hotel to be managed by GBMC.

Hof Hausen vor der Sonne by Frankfurt, Germany, will feature 27 holes designed by Cabell Robinson and a 125-room deluxe hotel. The project, located approximately 20 minutes from downtown Frankfurt and encompassing some 350 acres, is scheduled for completion during 1993.

Golf de Saint Phillipe at Cannes/Biot, France, will include a nine-hole course and a Jack Nicklaus Golf Academy surrounding a 92-room hotel. Situated at the famous French Hi-Tech park, Sophia Antipolis and only minutes from the Mediterranean, the project will be completed in 1993.

Gut Ratekau, Germany, on the Baltic coast, is adjacent to the existing 36-hole Timmendorfer Strand golf course. Two new 18-hole golf courses and a 92-room luxury hotel will be constructed on the property. In addition, some 50 apartments will be built overlooking the golf facilities. The golf courses are scheduled for completion in 1992 and 1993, and the hotel and apartments will be open in early 1994.

A project in Rome, Italy, is currently being negotiated. Plans for this project include two championship-standard courses and a club house with 60 club suites. Construction of the project is scheduled to start during 1992 with completion foreseen for 1994.

All of these resorts have a variety of outdoor recreational activities in addition to the golf facilities.

The objective of IGA is to secure only first class properties at capital cities or major business centers in Europe. In line with this, IGA has purchased, leased or is negotiating additional properties in Brussels, Paris, Milan, Berlin, Prague, Budapest and London.

International Golf Associates was founded in the 1980s and in February 1990 increased its capital through a new issue allowing the Amer Group Ltd. of Finland, through its Chicago-based affiliate, Amer Golf Properties, Inc., to become a 25 percent shareholder of the company.

The Amer Group Ltd. is a large public corporation, introduced on the Helsinki and London Exchanges and traded on the NASDAQ in the U.S. As the parent of MacGregor Golf Company and Wilson Sporting Goods Company, The Amer Group is one of the largest manufacturers of golf equipment in the world.

Apart from the individual property companies, IGA includes the Altafide Golf group, specializing in the development and construction of golf courses for IGA as well as for third parties like Club Med. Its Golf Marketing International group handles all marketing of the various projects. Bovis International Ltd. has been retained by IGA as construction manager for the hotel facilities.

Tobishima Associates is a New York subsidiary of Tobishima Corporation of Japan. The parent company is a large and prominent international general engineering and construction firm, listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. Tobishima Corporation is in the midst of expanding its global real estate network, with strong commitments to each region in which it conducts business.

TCC currently has more than 50 hotels operating or under construction with approximately 16,000 rooms under management. Its more renowned hotels include the New York Stanhope and the Grand Bay Hotel of Coconut Grove, Fla. Other hotels are located throughout the USA, Canada, the Caribbean, Latin America and Europe.

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HUDSON, NH (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Howtek, Inc. (AMEX: HTK) announced that it has received orders covering its entire production capacity for its Personal Color Scanner for the remainder of calendar 1990. The production rate was increased to accommodate the latest order for $1 million received from Tech Export, Inc., the company's international distributor.

The order includes 850 Personal Color Scanners plus assorted options. These units will be shipped on a monthly basis, beginning Sept. 24. Tech Export will deliver the units to its customers, primarily in Europe.

"This is the largest order to date we have received for this new product and it will boost our present production capacity to its limit through year end,"

said David Bothwell, Howtek's president and COO. "Due to the strong interest in our Personal Color Scanner, we expect to have a substantial order backlog by the end of 1990."

The Personal Color Scanner is a 300 dpi full color flatbed scanner capable of scanning reflective art up to 8 1/2" x 14". The Personal Color Scanner will interface with all major platforms and is fully supported by Howtek's proprietary line of "Scan-It" software.

Howtek designs, engineers, and develops computer peripherals and systems for the color graphics market.

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VINEYARD, UT (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Geneva Steel (NYSE: GNV) reported net income of $10.3 million for the fourth quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, or $.69 per common share. This compares with net income of $15.7 million, or $1.27 per common share for the same quarter of the previous fiscal year.

Sales and tons shipped for the period totalled $130.1 million and 360,000 tons respectively, compared with $142.5 million and 361,000 tons in the same quarter of fiscal year 1989.

Joseph A. Cannon, president and chief executive officer, said "Geneva Steel continued to experience a softening in demand for its products and as a result reduced prices in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 in order to remain competitive and sustain production volumes. As was the case in the first nine months of fiscal 1990, higher margin plate products helped to minimize the decrease in price realization."

During the year ended Aug. 31, 1990, net income was $41.6 million, or $3.18 per common share, on sales of $517.0 million. This compares with net income of $56.1 million, or $4.28 per common share, on sales of $521.8 million for the same period of fiscal year 1989.

In discussing the results of operations for the year, Cannon said, "Although net income for the current fiscal year is below that of fiscal year 1989, net income was above what was anticipated by the company. In addition, steel tons shipped exceeded the prior fiscal year."

In fiscal year 1990, the company has been actively implementing a modernization program that provides for improvements principally to the company's steel-making, casting and rolling facilities. The company expects these improvements to result in production efficiencies that will enhance its

ability to take advantage of the low cost at which it produces iron.

Cannon said, "The first project incorporated into our modernization program was a biological wastewater treatment plant. As projected, the construction of the plant was completed by Aug. 31, 1990. The other modernization projects, which include installing a basic oxygen process facility and a continuous caster with various rolling mill improvements, are generally on target with our implementation schedule."

Geneva Steel owns the only integrated steel mill operating west to the Mississippi River. Located 45 miles south of Salt Lake City, the company's mill manufactures hot rolled sheet, plate and other products for sale primarily in the western and central United States.

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#90264p6816 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CALIF. (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - SGI International (NASDAQ: SGII) announced today that the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and ENCOAL Corp. have signed a $72.6 million cooperative agreement under DOE's Clean Coal Technology Program for jointly funding construction and operation of an LFC Process Commercial Demonstration Plant. Ground- breaking ceremonies are scheduled for late Oct. 1990 at Triton Coal Co.'s Buckskin Mine, near Gillette, Wyo.

The signing of this $72.6 million funding agreement marks the fastest time ever for the U.S. Government to negotiate an agreement and commence funding of a project under its Clean Coal Technology Program.

Both ENCOAL and Triton Coal Co. are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Shell Mining Co. SGI is Shell Mining's partner in TEK-KOL Partnership, which is the owner and worldwide licensor of the LFC Process Technology. TEK-KOL has licensed ENCOAL for the LFC Demonstration Plant. SGI is TEK-KOL's licensing contractor.

The company stated, "This long-awaited milestone in the LFC Program coincides with the ominous events taking place in the Persian Gulf, which vividly illustrate the need for independence from OPEC-dictated energy pricing. This goal can be achieved by more efficient utilization of coal reserves throughout the world. The LFC Process, producing oil from coal, is leading the way."

The LFC Process is an innovative, advanced coal processing technology which produces clean, low-sulfur solid and liquid fuels that can replace imported oil. LFC Products meet or exceed the strictest U.S. environmental standards.

CONTACT: Investor Relations of SGI International, 619-452-0841

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(SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The following background and interview information is intended for use with SD001, "$72.6 Million Demonstration Project Approved and Funded in Record Time Under U.S. Clean Coal Technology Program," just moved:

The Buckskin Mine plant using SGI's liquids-from-coal (LFC) process is the first such facility to be approved by the Department of Energy's Clean Coal Technology Program for joint funding.

SGI Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Bill Owens is available for interviews to explain the importance to the United States and the world of having this technology available as a long-range solution to OPEC-dictated energy pricing. In other words, get your oil from coal on a market-competitive basis.

Interviews can be arranged through Bill Acton, 213-937-7460.

CONTACT: Bill Acton of Hill and Knowlton, 213-937-7460, for
SGI International.

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#90264p6828 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Commercial Metals Company (NYSE: CMC) announced today that the board of directors approved a record capital plan projecting capital expenditures of $55 million for fiscal year 1991 which began Sept. 1, 1990. The projected expenditures include $21 million for capital projects approved but not spent in fiscal year 1990 plus $34 million of new projects for fiscal year 1991. This is an increase of $11 million over capital expenditures of $44 million for the 1990 fiscal year ended Aug. 31.

CMC President and Chief Executive Officer Stanley A. Rabin said that, "Previous capital investments at the SMI Texas minimill have contributed to record profits at the Texas mill in fiscal 1990.

"This additional capital investment will enhance our earnings power, further reduce our operating costs, assure our future competitiveness, and position us well in our core businesses." Rabin said projects in the CMC Steel Group will receive about 60 percent of the total, the Secondary Metals Processing Division will receive about 30 percent and the other divisions about 10 percent. "The largest single project is a new melt shop for the steel minimill in Birmingham, Ala. which will increase capacity and reduce costs at that mill. Production from the new four strand continuous caster at the Birmingham mill is expected to start during the first calendar quarter 1990."

Rabin added, "Our capital investment program over the past five years has exceeded $145 million while our cash flow during this period was about $200 million."

Commercial Metals Company and subsidiaries manufacture, recycle and market metal products, related material and services through a network of over forty locations including steel minimills, steel fabrication plants, a copper tube mill, recycling facilities and trading offices in the United States plus over 10 trading and representative offices in strategic overseas markets.

CONTACT: Bob Davis of Commercial Metals, 214-689-4354

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#90264p6832 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Primerica Corporation (NYSE: PA) today announced that it had authorized the repurchase of up to 3.0 million shares of the company's common stock, subject to market conditions.

The repurchases, which may be made from time to time on the New York Stock Exchange, will be used for issuance of stock in conjunction with the ongoing requirements of employee stock option plans and other employee benefit plans.

Primerica Corporation is a diversified financial services company principally engaged in life, credit, accident & health, and property & casualty insurance, investment banking and securities brokerage, mortgage banking, mutual funds, asset management, consumer lending, credit cards and direct marketing. As of June 30, 1990, Primerica had assets of approximately $21 billion, and approximately 117 million average common and equivalent shares outstanding.

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#90264p6837 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Chambers Development Company Inc. (AMEX: CDVB), Pennsylvania's largest environmental services firm, today officially celebrated the opening of its new residential and commercial recyclables processing facility in Pittsburgh's Strip District.

Chambers Development Company hosted Pittsburgh Mayor Sophie Masloff, state Sen. Michael Fisher (R-Allegheny), U.S. Rep. William Coyne (D-Pa.), local, state and federal officials and community leaders in the successful inauguration of Pennsylvania's largest recycling facility.

Since August of this year, crews have worked days, nights and weekends to construct the new facility. In August, Chambers was selected by the city as

its recycling contractor.

The recycling facility, located at 32nd and Smallman streets, is adjacent to Chambers' American Recycling division, the area's only commercial recycler of corrugated cardboard and office paper.

The 11,000-square-foot building, and its adjacent 21,900-square-foot lot is being be used as the processing facility. A two-story building which abuts the main building will be used for office space.

At the new facility, Chambers has installed a system to to receive, sort and process the incoming recyclables. An infeed conveyor delivers materials to a sorting conveyor, where the various recyclables are removed from the bags, separated and deposited into holding bunkers.

The segregated materials are then prepared for shipment to markets. In addition to conveyors, the facility houses a baler, a magnetic separator, an aluminum flattener and blower, and scales. An eddy current separator, which automatically separates aluminum from the recyclables stream, will be added at a later date.

The facility has the capacity to process approximately 50 tons of recyclables per shift. At least 30 new jobs have been created for each shift of operation. Chambers officials expect the city to produce 75 tons per day of recyclables. The maximum capacity of the center eventually will be 300 tons per day.

Chambers Development Company Inc., headquartered in Pittsburgh, is a leading environmental firm offering services in recycling, collection, hauling, disposal and landfill development. The company also provides security services through its wholly owned subsidiary, Security Bureau Inc.

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#90264p6839 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Milton Roy Company (NYSE: MRC) today announced that its board of directors has declared a quarterly dividend of 14 cents per share payable on Dec. 14 to shareholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

Milton Roy is a multinational manufacturing company which produces process control equipment and analytical instruments. Major product lines include metering and centrifugal pumps, spectrophotometers, mass spectrometers and environmental and automotive emissions testing equipment. These products are used in a wide variety of industrial, research and educational applications where they control and monitor the flow of liquids and analyze the components of a complex mixture of fluids or gases.

CONTACT: John M. McNamara, vice president-finance of Milton Roy Company, 813-823-4444

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#90264p6843 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company will conduct fisheries studies at five sites on the Au Sable River and three sites on the Manistee River, between Sept. 26 and Oct. 19, 1990. The studies are being conducted in order to provide information required by the federal government as part of the hydroelectric plant relicensing process.

The fisheries data will be used to estimate the relative abundance, species composition and population of the fisheries resource in river stretches near Consumers Power's hydro facilities.

Consumers Power's sampling methods include electrofishing, which temporarily stuns fish with an electric pulse, blocking nets, gill nets and shoreline seining. After identifying the fish by species, and recording weight and length measurements, all live fish will be returned to the river. Any fish that are killed will be disposed of in coordination with District Michigan Department of Natural Resources personnel.

"Consumers Power is aware of the public interest in this issue. We have selected fish sampling methods that are the least intrusive to the environment " said the utility's Senior Vice President of Energy Supply Gordon L. Heins. "We believe this is the best environmental approach to obtain the needed fisheries information and will do the most to serve the public interest," said Heins.

"Our study plans respond to the direction provided by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the appropriate federal agencies. These agencies understand the necessity of collecting the fisheries data, in order to keep pace with the federal relicensing process," Heins said. Consumers Power is seeking new federal licenses for 11 of its hydro plants, located on the Au Sable, Manistee and Muskegon rivers.

The research will be conducted both daytime and nighttime. Fish sampling is scheduled to begin at a site above the Mio Dam on the Au Sable River on Wednesday, Sept. 26, and conclude on the Manistee River, above the Tippy Dam, on Oct. 19. Adverse weather may cause a delay in the sampling schedule.

In order to protect fall salmon spawning runs, sampling will not be conducted until spring 1991 below the Croton Dam on the Muskegon River, Foote Dam on the Au Sable River, and the Tippy Dam on the Muskegon River.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation

(NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

CONTACT: Dan Bishop of Consumers Power, 517-788-2395

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#90264p6844 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Penn Central Corporation (NYSE: PC) announced that it has declared a quarterly dividend of $.12 per share of Penn Central common stock. The dividend is payable on Oct. 12, 1990 to holders of record on Oct. 1, 1990.

Penn Central operates businesses primarily in the areas of industrial manufacturing, defense services, insurance and energy.

CONTACT: Bob Burton of The Penn Central Corporation, 513-579-6618

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#90264p6859 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, AL (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir will inaugurate new nonstop service from Birmingham to Baltimore/Washington International Airport on Nov. 1.

"These new flights will be Birmingham's only nonstop service to the Washington D.C. area," said Randall Malin, USAir executive vice president - marketing. "It also gives the local air travelers access to another USAir connecting hub."

New non-stop flights to Baltimore/Washington International Airport, where USAir and its USAir Express affiliates offer 252 daily departures, will leave Birmingham at 9:20 a.m. and arrive Baltimore/Washington at 11:40 a.m. Returning flights will depart Baltimore/Washington International Airport at 7:55 p.m. and arrive Birmingham at 8:41 p.m. This service will be operated with 108-passenger DC-9 jet aircraft.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, 703-418-5100 or 213-417-1294 (Western Region)

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#90264p6860 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Norwest Corporation has promoted Karl J. Ostby to a new position as president of corporate banking in Wisconsin. He was vice president and division manager of cash management in Minneapolis.

In his new post, based in Milwaukee, Ostby will be responsible for developing a statewide system for delivering products and services to corporate banking

customers. He also will coordinate delivery of non- credit-related services, including trust and investment products, international trade services and cash management services, to corporate customers.

James R. Campbell, head of corporate banking for Norwest, said, "Karl Ostby's appointment to this new post is another important step in our goal to expand throughout Wisconsin in all areas of banking and banking-related services for the middle market and large corporations."

Herb Weber, Norwest regional president for community banking in Wisconsin, will continue to manage community banking in the state, which includes banking services for consumers and small businesses.

For Ostby, the move represents a return to Wisconsin and renewal of long-standing family connections in the state. His great-grandfather settled in Stanley, Wis., after emigrating from Norway, and his grandfather served as mayor of Superior in the 1930s. An uncle, Byron Ostby, of Madison, is consul for Norway and a former state legislator.

Ostby headed Norwest's corporate banking business in Wisconsin from 1981 to 1986, starting with virtually no business and increasing assets to more than $150 million, with no credit losses.

A native of Newport, R.I., Ostby grew up in Virginia, and graduated from high school in West Springfield, Va. He has a bachelor's degree in economics from St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn., where both his parents also were graduates, and where his grandfather, Herman Roe, was owner, editor and publisher of the Northfield News for many years.

Norwest Corporation is a $26.8 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking-related and specialized financial services through more than 1,290 offices in 47 states and internationally.

CONTACT: Jack Kerr of Norwest, 612-667-0148/ (NOB) CO: Norwest Corporation ST: Minnesota, Wisconsin IN: FIN SU: PER

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#90264p6864 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE -- The Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Michigan (BCBSM) Board of Directors announced Wednesday (Sept. 19) promotions for four management executives.

Promoted were: -- George F. Francis III to senior vice president of Human Resources and Administration -- Fred Severyn, M.D., to vice president and corporate medical director -- Thomas Walters, C.P.A., to vice president of Provider Contracting and Administration -- Lisa DeMoss to assistant vice president, Office of the General Counsel - Litigation Department

Francis, as senior vice president, will oversee human resources, community affairs, senior services, building services, facilities management, communications support, and supply/distribution management.

Francis, 47, joined BCBSM in 1988 as vice president of Human Resources. Previously, he was Human Resources manager for the Saturn Corporation. Earlier he served as plant personnel director of the General Motors Assembly Division Willow Run Plant, and administrator in the policy group of the GM Central Office Personnel Administration and Development staff.

He has a degree in business administration from Prairie View A&M University in Texas, and has completed the Program for Management Development at the Graduate School of Business, Harvard University.

Dr. Severyn joined BCBSM in November 1985, and most recently served as senior medical director of Provider Relations. He has a degree in medicine from Stritch Loyola in Chicago and completed his residency at Oakwood Hospital, Dearborn.

Walters, a 19-year-old veteran of BCBSM, previously served as director of reimbursement. He attended Cleary College, Ypsilanti, where he received a bachelor's degree in accounting.

DeMoss, who had been assistant general counsel, joined BCBSM in October 1984 after several years with the private law firm of Fitzgerald, Young, Peters, Dakmak, and Bruno in Detroit, She received a law degree from Wayne State University and a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University, East Lansing.

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#90264p6870 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEVERLY HILLS, CA (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Pursuant to authority previously granted by the board of directors of Hilton Hotels Corp. (NYSE: HLT), management today announced a plan to purchase from time to time in the open market, or through negotiated purchases, up to 6,000,000 shares of the corporation's common stock.

A total of 48,074,127 shares of common stock is currently outstanding. The corporation stated that the shares acquired would be available for various corporate purposes. The funds required for the stock purchases will be provided out of working capital and external financing. While the current authority provides for repurchases until Dec. 31, 1990, the corporation expects that the authority for the purchase of stock may be further extended

if conditions warrant.

Hilton Hotels Corp. is engaged in the lodging and gaming industries.

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#90264p6871 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Interwindows, a joint venture among four Soviet entities (the Residential Construction Administration of the Odessa Region Executive Committee; the Main Economic Planning Administration of the Odessa Region Executive Committee; the Odessaenergo Economic Planning Division; and the Primorsk Production State Cooperative Administration) and two U.S. companies (Pioneer Windows Inc. and Semi-Zero Inc.) announced their agreement to join together in the production of modern aluminum windows, doors display windows and light pre-fabricated pavilions and small houses.

"These products are to be manufactured in the Odessa Region of the Ukrainian S.S.R., according to American design and technology," said Vincent J. Amato Jr., president of Pioneer Windows. "The joint venture intends to market the aluminum products in the Soviet Union and elsewhere in Europe for residential, commercial and industrial construction," he added.

"It is anticipated that the joint venture will create the receipt of hard currency from the simultaneous reduction of imports of the products the joint venture will be producing as well as the sale of such products to external sources," said Anatoly I. Butanko, governor of the Odessa Region of the Ukrainian S.S.R. "The joint venture will benefit from the transfer of the "know-how" of the American partners to the Soviet partners, for the organization of production in the Odessa Region along with the use of American manufacturing equipment," Butanko added. By such transfer of technology and equipment, Interwindows shall seek to achieve its goals of projected production and distribution, initially established at 400,000 aluminum windows for the calendar year 1991.

The Soviet partners have guaranteed to provide the necessary land, buildings, labor, raw material resources and energy. The American partners have guaranteed to provide technology through the latest technical know-how and manufacturing equipment. Together, the Soviet and American partners look toward a successful business venture in the Odessa Region of the Ukrainian S.S.R.

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#90264p6878 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MISSION VIEJO, CALIF. (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas V. Tilton, president of AMDL Incorporated, announced today that AMDL has completed the filing of international patents in 16 foreign countries which include the Western European Community of Nations, in addition to its filings in the United States. The filings cover a variety of test systems for detecting a unique tumor marker released into the blood by all malignant tumors studied to date.

AMDL's initial product will be an inexpensive, non-invasive serum test for monitoring the effectiveness of conventional treatment of a wide variety of tumor types. It is also expected to be used for early detection of occurrence of cancer when it is most treatable. The detection systems may eventually be useful in screening for cancer in asymptomatic subjects, both in clinical and veterinary applications.

AMDL is currently exploring procedures for adapting its test systems to automated instrumentation to provide reliable testing of a large number of specimens. When perfected, selected systems will be screened in first-stage testing programs in prominent national and international research facilities.

Before AMDL can begin marketing its cancer monitoring system, it must obtain FDA approval under a Pre-Market Approval (PMA) application 515 C. PMA is typically a six-month process.

CONTACT: Dr. Richard Anderson of AMDL, 714-582-0883, or Ken Latham of Howard Bronson & Company, 212-867-6160, for AMDL

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#90264p6880 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Graco Inc. (NYSE: GGG) has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per common share payable on Nov. 7, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 3, 1990. The company has 7,204,127 shares outstanding.

Graco Inc. supplies technology and expertise for the management of fluids in both commercial and industrial settings. The company manufactures and markets systems and equipment to move, measure, control, dispense and apply fluid materials. A recognized leader in its specialties, Minneapolis-based Graco serves customers around the world in the manufacturing, processing, construction and maintenance industries.

CONTACT: Roger King, 612-623-6700, or David Schoeneck, 612-623-6679, both of Graco

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#90264p6883 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Graco Inc. (NYSE: GGG) today announced that its board of directors has authorized a plan for the company to purchase up to a total of 200,000 shares of its outstanding common stock. These common shares will be acquired through open-market purchases to be made from time to time. The shares to be acquired will be available for issuance to satisfy stock options and for other corporate purposes. The company has 7,204,127 common shares outstanding.

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#90264p6888 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Spectrum Diagnostics, Inc., today announced that it has obtained an option on exclusive worldwide rights to commercialize an innovative, patented biosensor technology from The Ares-Serono Group of Geneva, Switzerland.

The new technology, called Surface Plasmon Resonance (SPR), was developed by a research and development partnership under the direction of The Ares-Serono Group's Diagnostics Division.

SPR diagnostic technology employs certain well-established principles of quantum physics and the more recent developments of immunoassay and DNA probe technologies, according to Joseph Shaw, president and chairman of the board of Spectrum Diagnostics. The result is a technology that converts a biological phenomenon to a digital signal that can be used in a variety of applications.

When fully funded, Spectrum Diagnostics will provide instruments and associated disposable testing panels for groups of clinically associated states that usually require multiple tests. An example is sexually transmitted diseases, which includes more than 20 different microorganisms. Other testing panels will test for allergic profiles, thyroid function, cardiovascular function, and others.

Diagnostic tests using SPR technology will be less expensive and easier to use than existing methods, and eliminates the need for additional reagents. The technology's sensitivity enables it to yield accurate results within minutes.

The target market for SPR -- medical diagnostic testing -- surpassed $8.6 billion in 1988 and will exceed $13.66 billion annually by 1995, Shaw said.

Spectrum Diagnostics is a privately held technology development company. It was established in 1989 and plans to continue to develop biosensor technologies. Spectrum Diagnostics is now in negotiations with a number of major international firms interested in licensing the technology or becoming strategic partners with the firm.

CONTACT: Will Sullivan or Eileen Supple, 612-222-8716, both of Sullivan Communications, for Spectrum Diagnostics

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#90264p6914 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTVALE, N.J. (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc. (NYSE: GAP) announced today that net income for the second quarter ended September 8, 1990 was $36,316,000 or $.95 per share on sales of $2,604,294,000, compared with the prior year's quarter of $35,630,000 or $.93 per share, on sales of $2,590,149,000.

For the 28 weeks year-to-date, net income was $87,323,000 or $2.28 per share on sales of $6,006,984,000 compared with $81,020,000 or $2.12 per share on sales of $6,029,740,000 in the same period of 1989.

The company said that its investment in Isosceles PLC had a net cost of 5 cents per share in the second quarter versus a 1 cent gain in the 1989 second quarter and a net cost of 12 cents per share versus a 1 cent gain for the year-to-date periods.

James Wood, chairman, president and chief executive officer said, "second quarter sales and earnings were slightly ahead of 1989 levels, giving us an 8% earnings increase in the first half of 1990. That increase would have been 14% without the cost associated with the Isosceles investment," he said.

"We continued to experience sluggish sales during the quarter but were able to achieve an overall positive sales trend through more aggressive merchandising efforts. We expect to finalize the acquisition of the 69 store Miracle Mart Division of Steinberg, Inc. in Ontario, Canada during the third quarter, which will help expand our sales base in that very important market," he said.

During the first 28 weeks of 1990, A&P opened 27 new stores, remodeled or enlarged 46 stores and closed 31 older outmoded stores. The company operates 1,211 supermarkets in 25 states and Canada under the A&P, Super Fresh, Walabaum's, Food Emporium, Farmer Jack, Kohl's and Dominion tradenames.

THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA COMPANY, INC.
(Dollars in thousands, except per share)

Periods ended:	12 weeks		28 weeks	
	9/8/90	9/9/89	9/8/90	9/9/89
Sales	$2,604,294	$2,590,149	$6,006,984	$6,029,740
Operating income	77,882	72,542	184,574	167,792
Interest expense	(16,483)	(20,714)	(38,902)	(39,426)
Interest income	2,217	9,702	5,151	11,354
Income bef. income taxes	63,616	61,530	150,823	139,720
Prov. for income taxes	(27,300)	(25,900)	(63,500)	(58,700)
Net income	36,316	35,630	87,323	81,020
Net income per share	$0.95	$0.93	$2.28	$2.12
Wtd. avg. no. of common shares outstanding	38,203,000	38,198,000	38,203,000	38,196,000
Number of stores operated at end of quarter	1,211	1,228		

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of the Directors of Fletcher Challenge Canada Ltd. (Vancouver, Toronto: FCC) held today, a cash dividend of ten cents (10 cents) per share on the common shares of Fletcher Challenge Canada Ltd. was declared payable Nov. 1 1990 to shareholders of record as of Oct. 8 1990.

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MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE Donaldson Company, Inc. (NYSE: DCI) today reported record sales and earnings for the fourth quarter and for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990. For the year, sales of $422.9 million were up 6 percent from prior year sales of $397.5 million. Net earnings of $21.0 million were up 36 percent from last year's earnings of $15.4 million. Earnings per share of $2.17 increased 34 percent compared with the $1.62 reported last year.

In the fourth quarter, sales of $109.1 million were up 11 percent over prior year sales of $98.5 million. Net earnings of $5.1 million increased 64 percent over prior year net earnings of $3.1 million. Earnings per share of 53 cents increased 61 percent compared to 33 cents earned last year.

William A. Hodder, Donaldson chairman and chief executive officer, said, "After a slow first half, we experienced increased sales in all our markets that led to a strong profit performance in the second half. "For the year,

margins improved by almost 2 percentage points, and the company's effective tax rate was reduced by more than 4 percentage points primarily due to the improved profitability of AFSI, the company's joint venture with Caterpillar Inc. Operating expenses were up 12 percent in absolute terms primarily due to increased marketing expenses."

Year-end total backlogs of $116.0 million were up more than 16 percent from last year's level of $99.5 million, and up more than 7 percent from the third-quarter level of $108.0 million. The increases are primarily related to a significant increase in gas turbine filtration product backlog and the booking of the New York City Transit Authority diesel particulate trap order in the fourth quarter.

Donaldson Company, Inc. is a worldwide manufacturer of air cleaners, liquid filters and exhaust products and accessories for heavy-duty mobile equipment; in plant air cleaning systems; air intake systems and exhaust products for industrial gas turbines; and specialized filters for computer disk drives, copiers and clean room components. Products are produced at plants in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Missouri, Wisconsin and nine other locations around the world. The company's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol DCI.

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#90264p6930 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDISON, NJ (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Midlantic Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MIDL) today announced several significant actions taken as a result of current economic conditions and the substantial completion of the examination of the corporation's banks by federal regulatory agencies.

Midlantic Corporation Chairman Robert Van Buren stated, "The conservative actions taken today will help to ensure that Midlantic remains well capitalized and positioned to respond to the economic challenges and opportunities of our marketplace."

Reflecting further declines in real estate values and economic uncertainties compounded by recent developments in the Middle East, the corporation announced a substantial provision for possible loan losses in the third quarter amounting to approximately $285 million.

Midlantic expects total non-performing assets, consisting of non- performing loans and net other real estate owned, to be approximately $1.220 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $924 million at June 30, 1990. The reserve for

possible loan losses at the end of the third quarter is projected to be approximately $700 million, 76 percent of non-performing loans. At June 30, 1990, the reserve totaled $550 million. As a result of this action, the corporation anticipates reporting a net loss of between $150 million and $160 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, or $3.96 to $4.22 per common share on a fully diluted basis.

Van Buren said, "We believe that the continued strengthening of reserves in the third quarter is prudent based on existing market conditions."

In view of these anticipated results, the board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 25 cents per common share, compared to 47 cents per share for the previous quarter. The dividend is payable on Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 1.

Commenting on the decision to reduce the quarterly dividend, Van Buren said, "This action was taken with full consideration given to the importance of the dividend to our shareholders. However, the board recognizes that Midlantic's capital must be adequate to accommodate the corporation's future growth and to reflect the changing regulatory environment requiring higher capital levels for the banking industry."

Van Buren noted that Midlantic's results over the previous decade have reflected strong profitability and a sound financial condition. "The corporation expects to return to profitability in the fourth quarter."

The board of directors also declared the third quarter dividend payable on shares of the corporation's term adjustable rate cumulative preferred stock, Series A.

Midlantic Corporation is a $24 billion interstate bank holding company headquartered in Edison. The company operates a network of 510 offices primarily in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and New York.

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#90264p6935 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Medtronic, Inc. (NYSE: MDT) and Bio-Medicus, Inc. (OTC: BMDS) announced today that a merger of the two companies has been completed.

Bio-Medicus shareholders, who approved the merger today, will receive one share of Medtronic common stock for each 3.1 Bio-Medicus shares they hold.

"We are delighted to welcome Bio-Medicus to the Medtronic organization," said Winston R. Wallin, chairman and chief executive officer of Medtronic. "The capabilities and achievements of Bio-Medicus are impressive and we are confident of further progress as its people and products become part of our cardiopulmonary business."

Willard H. (Bill) Lewis, Medtronic vice president and general manager of the company's cardiopulmonary business, said, "Our cardiopulmonary business can now offer the most complete line of products for use in cardiac surgery with the Medtronic Maxima(R) oxygenator, the Bio-Medicus Bio-pump(R), their HemoTec instruments, and related equipment."

The Bio-pump employs a gentle centrifugal whirling technology to play the role of the heart while blood is routed outside the body during surgical procedures. The Maxima oxygenator plays the role of the lungs, cleansing the blood and adding oxygen.

The Medtronic cardiopulmonary business is headquartered in Anaheim, Calif. Operations of Bio-Medicus will remain in suburban Minneapolis. HemoTec, a Bio-Medicus subsidiary, produces computer-based instruments for the management of blood clotting factors during medical procedures and will continue to operate from suburban Denver, Colo.

Medtronic, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, is a leading developer and manufacturer of biomedical devices for improving cardiovascular and neurological health.

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#90264p6958 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, VA (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Primark Corporation (NYSE,PHLX: PMK) announced today that it sold Health Information International ("HII") (formerly Hospital Satellite Network) to American Capital and Research Corporation ("ACR") for an undisclosed amount of cash and shares of ACR's Class A unregistered common stock.

With respect to the ACR shares received, Primark is restricted from selling, transferring or assigning these shares for a period of one year from the receipt of the shares. After such time, Primark may, at its option, request ACR to sell the shares for which Primark will receive a price of not less than $14.00 nor more than $15.50 per share. Additionally, Primark issued a call option to ACR granting it the option to purchase the ACR shares from Primark at any time up through Sept. 19, 1992, at a price of $15.50 per share if purchased during the first 12-month period and at $17.50 per share if such purchase occurs during the second 12-month period. The sale of HII is expected

to result in an estimated after-tax loss ranging from $2 million to $3 million.

"The sale of HII constitutes another step towards divesting businesses that do not meet our long-term strategic objectives," says Joseph E. Kasputys, Primark's chairman and chief executive officer. "Primark could realize a minimum of $11.6 million in cash proceeds, combining the cash received at the transaction closing, tax benefits and the cash proceeds which could be received from the sale of the ACR shares. These proceeds will be added to our existing cash to invest in businesses that fit our long-term growth strategy."

Primark Corporation is a holding company headquartered in McLean, which, through its diversified businesses, is primarily engaged in financial, ground transport, electronic medical claims processing and aircraft maintenance services.

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#90264p6967 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Holly Corp. (AMEX: HOC) today announced the declaration of a regular quarterly cash dividend in the amount of 12 cents per share payable on Oct. 19, 1990 to holders of record on Oct. 5, 1990.

Holly Corp., through its affiliates, Navajo Refining Co. and Montana Refining Co., is engaged in the refining of petroleum products.

CONTACT: E.I. Parsons of Holly Corp., 214-979-0210; or Lee Sneath of Dalton, Sneath & Co., 214-385-2332, for Holly Corp.

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#90264p6973 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - EAC Industries, Inc. (AMEX: EAC) today reported a loss from continuing operations of $1,242,000, or 63 cents per share, on sales of $6,042,000 for the second quarter ended July 31, 1990. This compares to a loss of $91,000, or 5 cents per share, on sales of $8,406,000 for the same period of the prior year. For the second quarter of the prior year, EAC lost $431,000 or 22 cents per share from discontinued operations. The total loss for the quarter was $522,000 or 27 cents per share for 1989 as compared to a loss of $1,242,000 or 63 cents per share for 1990.

For the six month period ended July 31, 1990, the company lost $4,887,000 or $2.49 per share, on continuing operations as compared to $358,000 or 19 cents per share, for the same period last year. For the last year's six month period there was a loss of $431,000 on discontinued operations. The total loss per share for the six month period was $2.49 as compared to a 41 cent

loss for the same period last year.

The loss for the second quarter from continuing operations of $1,242,000 was substantially less than the $3,645,000 loss reported in the first quarter primarily because of improved operations at the company's Ideal Security Hardware subsidiary. In the first quarter, Ideal lost $3,127,000, whereas in the second quarter the loss narrowed to $790,000. The substantial loss in the first quarter and the continuing loss in the second quarter were primarily the result of production cutbacks, which resulted from Ideal's inability to obtain raw materials, and certain other restructuring costs, including a loss on the disposition of the former manufacturing facility in St. Paul, Minn. As previously reported, the company completed a financial restructuring at the end of May and vendors began shipping raw materials again in June. This enabled Ideal to substantially increase production at its manufacturing facility and as a result, Ideal's loss was substantially less in the second quarter. In fact, on an unaudited basis Ideal generated a modest ($55,000) profit in July.

The company's other subsidiary, Goodren Products Corporation, continued to perform in a superior manner in the second quarter. Goodren's unaudited operating earnings increased by 32 percent ($246,000 compared to $186,000) for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, as compared to the prior year's quarter and 56 percent ($530,000 compared to $340,000) for the six months ended July 31, 1990 as compared to the prior year. This earnings improvement is primarily attributable to the increased sales activity by Goodren's major customers.

EAC is a holding company serving the hardware and point-of-purchase advertising markets through its subsidiary companies, Ideal Security Hardware and Goodren Products Corporation.

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#90264p6984 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Iroquois Brands, Ltd. (AMEX: IBL) confirmed today its June 8, 1990 release of 1989 forecasted financial results. Iroquois' net loss for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989 was $22.3 million or $11.49 per share. Net sales for the year from continuing operations were $14.8 million. On Feb. 22, 1989 Iroquois merged with Bio International Incorporated (Bio). For accounting purposes, Bio was deemed the acquiring entity. For the year ended Dec. 31, 1988, Bio reported a net loss of $2.9 million or $2.45 per share with net sales from continuing operations of $4.4 million. For the fourth quarter of 1989, Iroquois' unaudited net loss was $8.8 million or $3.99 per share.

Iroquois' 1989 results were impacted by the following one-time charges: write-down of marketing rights for one of the company's medical products and

related intangible assets totaling $3.5 million; write-down of other assets of $.8 million; loss of $4.4 million on a put option agreement; and losses of the company's start-up operations, UPP Inc. and Bio Petroleum, in the amount of approximately $1.5 million. These amounts were offset by tax benefits of $3.2 million recognized in 1989. During 1989 Iroquois also recognized a loss from discontinued operations and disposal of subsidiaries of $6.2 million, net of tax.

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#90264p6986 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Jim Vincent, Biogen (NASDAQ: BGEN) chairman and chief executive officer, announced today the appointment of Alan Belzer to the Biogen Board of Directors. Belzer, 57, is currently president and chief operating officer of Allied-Signal, Inc., of Morristown, N.J.

Belzer began his career with Allied Chemical Corporation as a trainee in 1955 and has held varying positions in recent years including president, Fibers and Plastics Company, 1979-83 and president, Engineered Materials Sector (Allied-Signal, Inc.), 1983-88. Belzer was appointed president and chief operating officer in 1988.

Jim Vincent commented "Alan's 20 years of operating line management experience in a Fortune 50 company will bring significant additional perspectice to our board as Biogen grows into an operating pharmaceutical company."

Biogen is a leading biotechnology company principally engaged in developing genetically engineered pharmaceuticals. As a result of its early research, Biogen now derives revenues from five products being sold by its licenses in various countries. Biogen currently directs its research and development into areas where the company has particular strength--AIDS, cardiovascular, inflammation and selected cancers.

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#90264p6996 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines announced today it will participate in a scientific study of aircraft wake vortices that could lead to a significant increase in capacity at busy airports.

The study of the hazardous effects of vortices -- small masses of swirling air that trail off the wingtips of aircraft -- will be conducted at the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration Test Facility in Idaho Falls, Idaho, beginning Sept. 23.

"United Airlines believes the potential benefit of this scientific test -- proving that airport capacity can be increased 5 to 10 percent by safely reducing the separation between planes -- justifies its contribution of aircraft and crew members for this study," said James M. Guyette, executive vice president-operations.

United will make a Boeing 757-200, a Boeing 767-200 and a Boeing 727-200 aircraft and flight test crews available to the Federal Aviation Administration which is conducting the tests under a contract from the U.S. Department of Commerce.

The tests will be carried out both at low altitude and at a typical cruise altitude over a four-hour period for each aircraft.

The low altitude test will utilize a 200-foot instrumented tower equipped with smoke emission capability and special sensors to measure the speed, direction and persistence of the vortices as the aircraft flies past. The ability to emit multi-color smoke from the tower as the plane flies by allows a visual and photographic study of the dynamics of vortex movement and decay.

The tests will be conducted within reserved airspace about 40 miles west of Idaho Falls in daylight, visual flight rules (VFR) conditions. Winds must be below 20 miles per hour.

A second test at cruise altitude will employ two aircraft, the United aircraft and an FAA A-4 Skyhawk probe jet modified for this purpose.

The test results will be used in a new classification of aircraft for air traffic control purposes and in the design of a vortex warning system to be installed at busy airports.

CONTACT: Joe Hopkins, 708-952-5770, or Sara Dornacker, 708-952-6561 or night 708-952-4088, both of United Airlines

-30- 2336

#90264p7004 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE) reported common stock earnings of $117,983,000 for the eight months ended Aug. 31, 1990, equivalent to $1.44 per common share.

This compares with earnings of $170,998,000, equivalent to $2.14 per share, for the eight months ended Aug. 31, 1989. For the 12 months ended Aug. 31, 1990, earnings on common stock were $190,895,000, equivalent to $2.35 per share. This compares with $247,181,000, or $3.10 per share, for the 12 months ended Aug. 31, 1989.

Kilowatt-hour sales of electricity for the eight months ended Aug. 31, 1990, increased less than 1 percent from the comparable period last year. However, residential sales increased 2.2 percent, reflecting an increase in the number of customers which was partially offset by warmer winter weather.

The total volume of gas sold during the current eight-month period decreased 7.2 percent from the same period last year. The decrease in sales was primarily related to milder winter weather and decreased usage by our commercial and industrial customers.

Earnings from diversified business activities primarily represent the results of operations of Constellation Holdings Inc. and its subsidiaries. Lower earnings from diversified business activities for both periods are primarily attributable to the timing of income recognition on alternative energy systems and lower income from real estate projects and financial investments. During the remainder of 1990, earnings from diversified business activities are expected to improve but are not expected to reach the earnings achieved during calendar year 1989.

BALTIMORE GAS AND ELECTRIC CO. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Financial Information
(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

Eight months ended Aug. 31	1990	1989
Revenues:		
Electric	$1,131,894	$1,000,757
Gas	273,748	286,530
Diversified business activities	59,414	47,518
Total	1,465,056	1,334,805
Net income	144,150	191,798
Earnings applicable to common stock	117,983	170,998
Average common shares outstanding	81,907	79,851
Earnings per share of common stock:		
Utility operations	$1.42	$1.95
Diversified business activities	.02	.19
Total	1.44	2.14

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#90264p7015 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Income Fund (NYSE: AGF) today declared its October dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.07 per share on the common stock will be paid Oct. 24, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 5, 1990.

The American Government Income Fund is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.4 billion

under management as of Aug. 31, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated (NASDAQ: PIPR), an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

CONTACT: Nancy Strom Solhaug of Piper Capital Management, 612-342-6384

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#90264p7022 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Opportunity Income Fund (NYSE: OIF) today declared its October dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.0833 per share on the common stock, plus an extra $0.0125 per share special dividend, totaling $0.0958 per share, will be paid Oct. 24, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 5, 1990. The entire $0.0958 per share is from net investment income.

The American Opportunity Income Fund is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.4 billion under management as of Aug. 31, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated (NASDAQ: PIPR), an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90264p7046 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Apparel America, Inc., a manufacturer of women's swimwear and specialty sportswear apparel, today reported decreases in net sales for the fiscal second quarter and the six-month period ended July 31 1990. The decrease in sales was primarily attributable to the cessation of operations of a former subsidiary, Primo Designs, effective Oct. 1, 1989.

Net sales for the three months ended July 31, 1990, were $23,771,000 compared to $26,998,000 in the comparable fiscal period in 1989. Operating income was $531,000, compared to operating income of $537,000 in the year-ago quarter. The loss before income taxes amounted to $686,000, compared to a loss before income taxes of $980,000 in the prior year.

The company had a net loss of $656,000, or 11 cents per common share, compared with a net loss of $920,000, or 23 cents per common share, for the year-ago period. The net loss per common share in the three months ended July 31, 1990 has been computed after the recognition of preferred stock dividend requirements. At July 31, 1990, there were an additional 1,087,000 average common shares outstanding.

Net sales for the six months ended July 31, 1990, were $50,937,000, compared

to $58,760,000 for the comparable fiscal period in 1989. Operating income was $4,031,000, compared to $5,056,000 in the prior year's fiscal period. Income before income taxes was $1,437,000, compared to $2,999,000 in the prior year.

Net income was $1,357,000, or 15 cents per common share, compared with $2,384,000, or 24 cents per common share, in the six-month period last year. Net income per common share has been computed after the recognition of preferred stock dividend requirements and reflects an additional 1,289,000 average common share outstanding.

Robert C. Postal, president and chief operating officer, said Apparel America's performance was adversely affected by the continued turmoil and contraction within the retail community. Further, the sluggish retail business climate, a highly promotional environment combined with certain credit restraints, resulted in reduced deliveries.

Postal said that both its Robby Len and Mayfair divisions were unable to fully offset margin deterioration caused by selected production curtailments in response to these factors.

Additionally, Apparel America's results include an increase in its provision for bad debts of approximately $225,000, attributable to the Ames bankruptcy proceedings. Postal further stated that interest and financing costs increased by approximately $492,000, principally due to the inclusion for a full six months of borrowings incurred to finance the acquisition of Mayfair Industries (acquired May 15, 1989), which was partially offset by a reduction in acquisition related borrowings resulting from the exchange, effective Jan. 31, 1990, of an aggregate of $12,000,000 principal amount of subordinated notes into an equivalent amount of $12 preferred Series E stock.

Postal indicated that management is cautiously optimistic about the remainder of fiscal year 1991.

CONTACT: David Golden, chief financial officer of Apparel America, 212-564-8420

-30- 3369

#90264p7054 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Matchbox Group Ltd. (NYSE: UMG) today announced the resignation of Thomas J. Kalinske as president and chief executive officer of Matchbox International Ltd., and a director of the company, effective Oct. 1, 1990. David C. W. Yeh, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, stated, "Tom Kalinske has made many important contributions to the company in the past three years. Tom has decided to leave the company to pursue his own interests in view of the company's increasing concentration on its core business. We wish him well in his future endeavors."

In connection with Kalinske's resignation and the company's ongoing efforts to further streamline its operations, the company has integrated the functions of Matchbox International Ltd. into the company's corporate headquarters in Hong Kong. Kenneth Bloom has been assigned the position of executive vice president and general manager of Matchbox Toys (USA) Ltd. effective immediately.

Universal Matchbox Group Ltd. is one of the leading toy companies in the world. The company designs, manufacturers and markets toys in more than 120 countries. It is also a leading contract manufacturer for other major international toy companies.

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#90264p7057 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES MOINES, IA (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Oliver H. Hagen, president and chief executive officer, announced today that First Interstate of Iowa Inc. (NASDAQ: FIIA), a multi-bank holding company, will charge off $2.1 million of loans in the third quarter of 1990. In addition, as of Sept. 30, 1990, the company will report increases in nonperforming loans of $7.2 million and other real estate owned of $2.7 million. The company's net charged off loans for the first six months of 1990 totaled $.2 million. At June 30, 1990, nonperforming loans and other real estate owned were $8.9 million and $1.3 million, respectively.

Hagen stated, "Such an increase in charged off loans and nonperforming assets is very disappointing. However, a significant portion of our consolidated loan portfolio has been examined by the company's loan review team thus far in 1990. The loans that recently have been identified as loss or nonperforming are relatively few and are believed to be exceptions to the high credit quality of the company's loan portfolio."

The recognition of the additional charged off loans and increases in nonperforming loans and other real estate owned resulted from management's analysis of the credit quality of the loan portfolio of the company's Des Moines bank and from recent examinations of that bank by the company's loan review team and by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency. A major portion of the charge offs resulted from a commercial real estate loan which was treated as an in-substance foreclosure and will be reported as other real estate owned. The remaining charged off loans primarily consisted of commercial loans.

Due to the increased amount of nonperforming loans and the possibility of a national economic slowdown, the company will maintain the approximate amount of its June 30, 1990 allowance for loan losses by recording a $2 million

provision for loan losses in the third quarter of 1990. The company anticipates the allowance for loan losses will exceed 85 percent of nonperforming loans at Sept. 30, 1990. In addition, the company will charge to operations $.5 million of interest income recognized in 1990 on loans that either have been charged off or placed on nonaccrual status.

Hagen concluded his remarks by noting, "Our disappointment over the temporary setback does not diminish our optimism concerning the long-term prospects of the company. The Iowa economy is in good condition, although it could be affected by the world-wide political situation. The company is well-positioned and strongly capitalized, enabling it to play a vital role in the future development of Iowa and to take advantage of existing market opportunities."

First Interstate of Iowa owns controlling interest in 13 Iowa banks, a computer services company and an insurance agency. The banks operate 33 locations in numerous Iowa cities including Algona, Cresco, Des Moines, Estherville, Fort Dodge, Greenfield, Kalona, Marengo, Mason City, Sigourney, Sioux City, Spencer and Urbandale.

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#90264p7061 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - WCN Investment Corp. (''WCN'') and M.L. Cass Petroleum Corp. (M.L. Cass) wish to announce that WCN has agreed to make a circular bid offer for all of the outstanding common shares of M.L. Cass on the basis of 0.79 (79/100ths) of one common share of WCN in exchange for one (1) M.L. Cass common share. Based upon the most recent closing trading price of WCN common shares of five dollars and three-eights ($5.375), the value attributable to each M.L. Cass common share is approximately $4.25.

WCN has entered into an agreement with shareholders representing approximately 70 percent of the outstanding common shares of M.L. Cass whereby those shareholders have committed to tender their shares to WCN's bid on condition that the bid be made on or before Oct. 15, 1990. WCN anticipates that the offering bid circular will be mailed on or about Oct. 1, 1990.

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-30- 1170

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UNIVERSAL CITY, CA (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Field and Paula Franceschi both have been named as vice presidents of audio- visual advertising for Universal Pictures, effective immediately, it was announced today by David

Sameth, senior vice president of marketing/creative advertising.

"Both Paula and Rob have been greatly instrumental in the successful in-house campaigns for many of our recent films," said Sameth. "The work they have done in the Universal trailer department is unsurpassed in the industry, and we're extremely fortunate to have two individuals with their talent and energy."

Field, who was promoted from director of audio-visual services, will be responsible for overseeing the day to day operation of the Universal trailer department. Reporting directly to Sameth, he will also be involved in creating and producing theatrical trailers and television and radio spots. Since joining the company in 1987, Field has edited the trailers for such films as "Sea of Love" and most recently, "Darkman." Prior to Universal, he worked for Warner Bros. and was an independent trailer editor. He began his industry career in 1976 in the Universal trailer department.

Franceschi most recently served as an advertising consultant and copywriter for Universal, working on the in-house campaigns for such films as "Parenthood " "Darkman," "Sea of Love," "Back to the Future Part II and III" and "Problem Child." In her new position, she will report directly to Sameth and be involved in all phases of developing Universal's audio-visual marketing campaigns. Previously she was vice president of creative services for Lorimar Film Entertainment, and she began her career as a trailer producer for Seiniger/Bloom Productions.

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MINNEAPOLIS, (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Ault Inc. (NASDAQ: AULT) and Unitrode Corporation (NYSE: UTR) today jointly announced that they have signed a definitive agreement for the acquisition by Ault of Unitrode's wholly owned subsidiary, Power General, for an undisclosed amount of cash. Power General is a Canton, Mass., manufacturer of internal switching power supplies and DC/DC converters for commercial and industrial applications. Power General currently has annual sales of about $15 million.

Under the terms of the agreement, Ault will acquire all of the fixed assets and inventory of Power General and will lease the land and building in Canton from Unitrode. Unitrode will retain the receivables outstanding as of the date of sale, which is expected to be in early October. Ault plans to operate the business in Canton under Power General's present management.

Ault is the nation's largest independent manufacturer of external power supplies and battery chargers for high-end applications in telecommunications equipment and industrial products.

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#90264p7090 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CUT BANK, MO. (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - MSR Exploration Ltd. (AMEX: MSR; Toronto: MSR) with head offices in Cut Bank, today announced that effective change of control of the company had been finalized. A consortium of European investment institutions have purchased 1.1 million shares from J.V. Montalban and other selling shareholders. The transaction took place at the prevailing market price.

The present board of directors have resigned and a new board will be announced immediately.

CONTACT: J.V. Montalban, outgoing chairman of the board and CEO, 406-873-2235

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#90264p7099 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MORRIS TOWNSHIP, NJ (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied-Signal Inc. (NYSE: ALD) said today that the U.S. Trade Representative and Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry have reached an agreement that will open the Japanese market to the company's patented amorphous metal alloys.

"We are pleased that the USTR, with the strong support of the Department of Commerce and other U.S. agencies, has been successful in these precedent-setting negotiations with MITI," said Allied-Signal Chairman and CEO Edward L. Hennessy, Jr. "The successful opening of the Japanese market to this critical technology signals a new atmosphere of cooperation on matters of trade between our two countries."

The USTR began negotiations with MITI in April after Allied-Signal agreed to temporarily withdraw its petition for relief from unfair targeting of amorphous metals under 301 of the Trade Act of 1974. Allied-Signal said today it will not refile this petition.

Under terms of the trade agreement, Japanese utilities will purchase 32,000 electric transformers containing amorphous metal cores over the next 30 months.

After this initial period, the Japanese utilities will recognize the value of energy efficiency in the purchase of electrical transformers. The Japanese government will oversee implementation of the agreement.

In addition, the agreement provides that Japanese utilities, as well as Nippon Steel Corporation and Kawasaki Steel Corporation, will strictly observe

Allied-Signal's patent rights, which give Allied-Signal the exclusive right to manufacture and sell amorphous metal in Japan, until late 1997.

Allied-Signal's amorphous metal alloys, marketed under the name Metglas, are used in the cores of electric transformers, where they cut energy losses by 70 percent.

The Japan Research and Development Corp., an arm of the Japanese government, has acknowledged that the use of such transformers would save 4.3 billion kilowatt hours of electricity, worth $1 billion, annually.

Allied-Signal operates the world's only commercial plant to manufacture amorphous metal alloys and sells the material in the United States and other countries. Allied-Signal has a joint venture in Japan with five companies of the Mitsui Group to market Metglas alloys there.

The potential world market for amorphous alloys in transformers is $1 billion a year and more than $2.5 billion per year for other applications. In addition, the technology upon which the material is based, also patented by Allied-Signal, is expected to have wide use in the production of high performance aerospace and structural materials.

Allied-Signal is an advanced technology company with businesses in aerospace, automotive products and engineered materials.

CONTACT: M. J. Ascolese of Allied-Signal, 201-455-4674

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#90264p7104 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - James Madison Limited today reported that it anticipates a loss for the third quarter due to two recent developments which it believes to be material to stockholders.

The company disclosed in its Second Quarter Report that it had foreclosed on a resort loan and was carrying this asset in "Other Real Estate Owned." The transaction was recorded in compliance with generally accepted accounting principles and the value was supported by an independent appraisal. Rather than operate the resort, the company, on Sept. 10, 1990, elected to accept an offer from an established resort owner/operator. This action resulted in a $1.0 million pre-tax loss which will be recorded in the third quarter 1990.

In a separate matter, the company has continued to carefully manage and monitor its loan portfolios, particularly real estate based credits. Continuing trends in the mid-Atlantic real estate market have resulted in increased non-accrual loans. While the compilation of third quarter results is in its early stages, preliminary indications are that the company may need to double its Allowance for Loan Losses from the $12.6 million recorded at

June 30, 1990.

Recordation of these transactions in the third quarter will have two additional ramifications. First, the company will receive tax benefits in excess of 40 percent of any loss reflected in pre-tax income. This benefit is derived from the company's long history of earnings and significant tax payments. Second, the company's primary capital ratio, while reduced to approximately 9 percent, will remain above the regulatory minimum of 5.5 percent.

James Madison Limited is a registered bank holding company located in Washington. The JML financial family of banking subsidiaries includes: Madison National Bank located in Washington, Madison National Bank of Virginia Madison Bank of Maryland and United National Bank of Washington. Non-bank subsidiaries include: James Madison Mortgage Company, James Madison Financial Corporation and JML Systems Management, Inc. James Madison Limited's Class A Common Stock is listed on the American Stock Exchange (JML), and its Common Stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System (JMLC).

CONTACT: Lynn E. Bandfield, AVP and director, JML Corporate Communications Department, 202-452-5542

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#90264p7117 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BC CANADA, (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Akiko-Lori Gold Resources Ltd. (Akiko-Lori) announces assay results for two diamond drill holes completed on the Lakewater Project which is centered some five kilometres southwest of the Eskay Creek 21 Zone Deposits. The Lakewater Project is an equal joint venture between Akiko-Lori, Tymar Resources Inc. and Varitech Resources Ltd.

The two drill holes were a part of the $100,000 1990 Phase I exploration program which also consisted of linecutting, soil geochem sampling, prospecting, geologic mapping and various geophysical surveys including VLF, Magnetometer, UTEM and IP. Legal surveying of the property boundaries was initiated during this phase of exploration. It has resulted in the locating of two sizeable gaps within the adjacent SIB Claims which are owned by Silver Butte Resources Ltd. and American Fibre Corp. Ownership of the westerly portions of the underlying ground within the two SIB Claim Gaps belongs to the Lakewater Project Property.

The two drill holes, separated by 450 metres, partially completed a stratigraphic evaluation across the eastern portion of the Lakewater Property along Section 14+50S. Drill hole LW90-01 returned no significant results. Drill hole LW90-02 returned 1.197 ounces per ton gold and 1.71 ounces per ton silver over a core length of 9.8 feet from 301.8 to 311.6 feet. Further drilling is required to determine the orientation and true width of the mineralized horizon encountered in drill hole LW90-02.

The $250,000 1990 Phase II exploration program is now under way and will include grid extensions, geological mapping, continuation of geophysical surveys and some 1,000 metres of diamond drilling. Drilling targets will include follow-up testing of the results obtained in drill hole LW90-02 both down dip and along strike, as well as drilling coincident IP Chargeability - Soil Geochem anomalies and coincident Airborne Magnetic Trends - UTEM conductors.

CONTACT: Michael Levinson of Akiko-Lori Gold, 604-685-0334

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#90264p7122 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced a change in the posted prices it will pay for crude oil from California and Alaska fields. Postings are increased by $2.00.

The change was effective today at 7:00 a.m.

CONTACT: Bonnie Chaikind, 415-894-1200; or Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440, both of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

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#90264p7125 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON, (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed Texas Commercial Savings Association, Sulphur Springs, Texas, in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, Texas Commercial Federal Savings Association, will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift, and will operate in conservatorship under the oversight of the Resolution Trust Corp.

The receivership did not result in any interruption of Texas Commercial's day-to-day operations. The institution will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action, which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

OTS initiated the action because Texas Commercial was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition in that it had insufficient capital with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

Texas Commercial's condition is due primarily to poor underwriting, a high level of non-performing assets, and losses on multiple family mortgages and commercial non-mortgage loans.

Texas Commercial is insolvent in that it has negative tangible capital. Texas Commercial Savings Association was a state-chartered stock association. Shareholders will retain no interest in the new institution.

As of July 31, 1990, Texas Commercial reported assets of $27.4 million, liabilities of $27.1 million and tangible capital of negative $95,000, for a tangible capital-to-assets ratio of negative .004 percent.

CONTACT: Alan Dermody for Texas Commercial Savings Association, 214-541-8434; or Gwendolyn Gregg of the Office of Thrift Supervision, 202-906-6677

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#90264p7130 09/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (SEPT. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - First Fidelity Bancorporation (NYSE: FFB) announced today that it has acquired nine branch offices in three southern New Jersey counties of City Savings Bank, FSB, the successor to City Federal Savings Bank, from the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC), the government agency acting as receiver for City Savings Bank.

The nine offices will operate as part of the branch system of First Fidelity Bank, N.A., South Jersey, one of eight affiliate banks in the First Fidelity system. The acquisition is effective immediately.

"We are delighted with this opportunity to serve the former customers of City Federal and to provide them with access to the full range of our banking products," Tony Terracciano, First Fidelity chairman and chief executive officer, said.

"These offices will provide effective coverage in Camden County, a substantial market in which we have been historically underrepresented. Together with offices in Gloucester and Burlington counties, they become an important supplement to our ability to serve customers in Southern New Jersey," Terracciano added.

Six of the new offices are in Camden County; two are in Burlington County, and one is in Gloucester County. Total deposits of the nine offices are $468 million in more than 84,000 accounts.

Prior to the acquisition, First Fidelity Bank, N.A., South Jersey operated two branches in Camden County, 24 in Burlington County and 20 in Gloucester County. It will now have a total of 76 branches in its seven-county market area.

The nine newly-acquired branches currently have a total of about 75 employees, who will continue to staff the offices.

The offices will be closed Saturday, Sept. 22, and will be open on a full

business basis as First Fidelity offices on Monday, Sept. 24.

Terracciano said that City Savings Bank depositors would receive detailed information on the acquisition within a week.

The offices and their addresses are: In Camden County: -- Ellisburg Office, Ellisburg Shopping Center, 1584 Kings Hwy, Cherry Hill;

-- Cherry Hill Plaza Office, Plaza Village Shopping Center, 1196 Route 70, Cherry Hill;

-- Camden Office, Market Street and Sixth, Camden; -- Haddonfield Office, 99 Haddon Ave., Haddonfield; -- Audubon Office, Black Horse Pike Shopping Center, Black Horse Pike, Audubon;

-- Blackwood Office, Cherrywood Shopping Center, Blackwood- Clementon Road, Clementon.

In Burlington County: -- Moorestown Office, Moorestown Mall, Route 38 and Lenola Road, Moorestown;

-- Marlton Office, Plaza 70 E. Shopping Center, Route 70 and Cooper Street, Marlton

In Gloucester County:

-- Turnersville Office, Plaza 42 Shopping Center, Black Horse Pike, Turnersville.

First Fidelity Bancorporation, with approximately $30 billion in assets and more than 500 offices in New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania, is among the nation's 25 largest banking companies.

CONTACT: Paul J. Levine of First Fidelity Bancorporation, 201-565-2949, 215-525-7520, or 609-662-7374

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LENINGRAD SEPTEMBER 21 TASS - THE ALMAZ ASSOCIATION IN LENINGRAD HAS OFFERED AN AMPHIBIOUS HOVERCRAFT OF THE LATEST MODIFICATION FOR SALE ON THE FOREIGN MARKET. THE CONVERSION OF DEFENSE INDUSTRY ENTERPRISES FORCED MANAGERS TO LOOK FOR NEW PARTNERS.

"ALMAZ IS TYPICAL OF ALLIED PLANTS WITH LONG-RUNNING TRADITIONS AND HIGHLY-QUALIFIED WORKERS AND SPECIALISTS. THEY DREW THE ATTTENTION OF MANY BUYERS IN EASTERN EUROPE," VLADIMIR ALEKSANDROV, GENERAL DIRECTOR OF THE ADMIRALTY SHIPBUILDING ASSOCIATION, TOLD TASS.

"OUR SHIPYARD BEGAN BUILDING A SERIES OF ECOLOGICALLY-CLEAN TANKERS WITH DOUBLE BOARDS FOR NORWAY. WE INTEND TO SELL DIVERSE TYPES OF SHIPS ABROAD, EVEN SUBMARINE EXCURSION VESSELS".

ALEKSANDROV SAID THAT THE BALTIISKY PLANT PLANNNED TO BUILD CHEMICAL CARRIERS FOR WEST GERMANY. BULKERS BUILT AT THE SEVERNAYA VERF PLANT WILL ALSO BE SUPPLIED TO THAT COUNTRY.

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#90264t1969 09/21/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT. 21) TASS - "IN SPITE OF RAPIDLY GROWING HOUSING CONSTRUCTION FOR THE SOVIET ARMED FORCES, THERE ARE NOW STILL MORE THAN 173,000 COMMISSIONED AND NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICERS, AS WELL AS EXTENDED SERVICEMEN, WAITING FOR APARTMENTS," DEPUTY DEFENCE MINISTER, COLONEL-GENERAL NIKOLAI CHEKOV, RESPONSIBLE FOR HOUSING CONSTRUCTION AND BILLETING, TOLD TASS TODAY. HE WAS DISCUSSING THE PROGRAM ADOPTED BY THE SOVIET DEFENSE MINISTRY TO SOLVE THE HOUSING PROBLEM.

GENERAL CHEKOV NOTED THAT WITH THE WITHDRAWAL OF SOVIET TROOPS FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND HUNGARY THERE WILL BE 25,000 SERVICE FAMILIES WITHOUT HOUSING. "THE SITUATION WILL BE AGGRAVATED BY THE FORTHCOMING WITHDRAWAL OF UNITS OF THE WESTERN ARMY GROUP FROM GERMANY, WHERE 63,000 FAMILIES HAVE NO FLATS OF THEIR OWN ON SOVIET TERRITORY," HE STRESSED.

CHEKOV SAID THAT OVER 10,000 SERVICE FAMILIES OF THE MOSCOW GARRISON WERE NOW LODGED IN RENTED FLATS, HOTELS AND HOSTELS. MOST OF THEM HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR THEIR OWN APARTMENT OR IMPROVED HOUSING CONDITIONS FOR THREE TO FIVE OR MORE YEARS. "THE MOSCOW CITY COUNCIL OWES THE DEFENSE MINISTRY 2,200 APARTMENTS. IT RECEIVED ONLY 16 APARTMENTS THIS YEAR," CHEKOV NOTED.

TURNING TO THE PROGRAM, THE DEPUTY MINISTER SAID THAT 100,000 FLATS WOULD BE BUILT BY THE END OF 1991. "BUT THIS IS OBVIOUSLY INSUFFICIENT," HE NOTED. ACCORDING TO THE GENERAL, THE HOUSING PROBLEM IS EXPECTED TO BE SOLVED PRIMARILY BY STEPPING UP THE CONSTRUCTION OF APARTMENT BLOCKS. PLANS ARE AFOOT TO COMMISSION 436,000 APARTMENTS BETWEEN 1991-1996, INCLUDING 25,000 APARTMENTS FOR SERVICEMEN WITHDRAWN FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND HUNGARY.

"THE HOUSING PROBLEM COULD BE SOLVED MORE QUICKLY IF THE LOCAL COUNCILS WOULD PROVIDE THE DEFENSE MINISTRY WITH THE 24,500 APARTMENTS THEY OWE FOR 1990-1991 " CHEKOV STRESSED.

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#90264t1987 09/21/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT. 21) TASS - EUROPEAN NATIONS NEED BROAD COOPERATION TO OVERCOME THE GAP BETWEEN EASTERN AND WESTERN EUROPE, IT WAS AGREED DURING TODAY'S

MEETING BETWEEN CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL OF NATIONALITIES OF THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT RAFIK NISHANOV AND A DELEGATION OF THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL LED BY THE DIRECTOR OF ITS LEGAL DEPARTMENT ERIC HARREMOS.

THE GUESTS WISHED TO KNOW HOW SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND INTER-ETHNIC PROBLEMS WERE SOLVED IN THE SOVIET UNION. THEY WERE PROVIDED WITH THE NECESSARY INFORMATION.

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#90264t1988 09/21/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT. 21) TASS - SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER IGOR ROGACHEV RECEIVED A DELEGATION OF THE AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL PARLIAMENT LED BY R. SHARLESWORTH TODAY. THE DELEGATION IS CURRENTLY ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT IN THE SOVIET UNION.

THE SIDES DISCUSSED CERTAIN INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS, THE SITUATION IN THE ASIAN-PACIFIC REGION AND WAYS TO PROMOTE SOVIET-AUSTRALIAN RELATIONS.

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#90264t1990 09/21/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (SEPT. 21) TASS - MIKHAIL GORBACHEV TODAY MET OSKAR LAFONTAINE, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE GERMAN SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY AND CANDIDATE FOR THE POST OF FEDERAL CHANCELLOR.

THE MEETING CONDUCTED IN A LIVELY AND SINCERE ATMOSPHERE DEALT WITH MANY MAJOR ISSUES: THE PLACE OF A UNITED GERMANY IN THE EUROPEAN PROCESS, ITS RESPONSIBILITY IN IMPLEMENTING ITS CONSTRUCTIVE PRINCIPLES, PROSPECTS FOR SOVIET-GERMAN COOPERATION IN NEW CONDITIONS, THE ROLE OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES IN THIS COOPERATION AND THE FATE OF THE SOCIALIST IDEA IN THE CONTEXT OF GREAT CHANGES IN WORLD DEVELOPMENT WHICH ATTAINS NEW VALUES AND PRINCIPLES.

GORBACHEV DESCRIBED REASONS WHICH PROMPTED ACTIONS BY THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP ON GERMAN UNIFICATION, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE WILL OF THE GERMAN PEOPLE, THE SOVIET INTERESTS AND SENTIMENTS OF THE SOVIET PEOPLE AND RELYING ON NEW POSSIBILITIES OF WORLD POLITICS.

"NO NEED TO BELITTLE ANYTHING," GORBACHEV NOTED. "WE ARE PASSING FROM ONE EPOCH TO ANOTHER. THIS IS TRUE OF OUR COUNTRY, EUROPE AND THE ENTIRE WORLD. IT IS NOT BY CHANCE THAT WHEN SOVIET PERESTROIKA GAVE IMPETUS, THE ENTIRE WORLD CAME INTO MOTION AS IF WAITING FOR IT.

"ALL HAD TO REORGANISE THEMSELVES IN SOME OR OTHER WAY. THE NEW NATURE OF WORLD POLITICS HAS WITHSTOOD TESTING BY EVENTS IN EASTERN EUROPE, GERMANY AND NOW IN THE GULF."

GORBACHEV AND LAFONTAINE EXPRESSED APPRAISALS OF THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS IN

THE DOMESTIC LIFE OF THE TWO COUNTRIES WITH CONCLUSIONS ON THEIR POSSIBLE INFLUENCE ON BILATERAL RELATIONS.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Cleveland at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Texas at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
California at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
Chicago at Seattle, 10:35 p.m.
Detroit at Oakland, 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Montreal at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Houston at Atlanta, 7:40 p.m.
Cincinnati at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
San Francisco at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

BOXING

Lima, Peru - World Junior Championships

GAMES

Las Lenas, Argentina - Winter Pan American Games

GOLF

Endicott, N.Y. - $700,000 B.C. Open
Buena Park, Calif. - $325,000 MBS Classic
Richmond, Va. - Crestar Senior Classic

TENNIS

Paris - $100,000 Clarins Women's Open
Vienna - Davis Cup semifinal, Austria vs. United States

YACHTING

Cleveland, Ohio - Star Class World Championships

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#90264u0141 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 21) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis has governments around the world trying to re-adjust their energy supplies and bolster their economies. European countries are imposing austerity measures, and President Bush is said to be pondering a move on the Strategic Petroleum Reserve. Some economists say drawing on the reserve could calm jittery oil markets.

Lawyers for Charles Keating argued in court Thursday that his bail should be reduced from its current level of five-Million dollars, but the disgraced Lincoln Savings operator is spending a third night in a Los Angeles jail. The lawyers pledged that Keating would NOT flee the country, and presented testimony showing he is more than five-Million dollars in debt. But they got NO immediate results.

Colombian national police believe that a recent rash of kidnappings is an attempt on the part of the cocaine cartel to pressure the government into negotiations. Among those missing is Francisco Santos, news editor of the nation's largest newspaper. President Cesar Gaviria met with the National Security Council Thursday to discuss the crisis.

Nine months after the U-S invasion, Panama is far from being a happy, unified nation. Hundreds of protesters marched in Panama City Thursday to mark the nine-month anniversary of the invasion and to call for the withdrawal of U-S troops. More than 500 Panamanians were killed in the fighting last December, and some protesters carried placards bearing the names of the dead.

-30- 1645
#90264u0142 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 21) UPI - National Republican Committee Chairman Lee Atwater returns to the White House Friday morning for coffee with President Bush. Atwater engineered the victorious Bush presidential campaign in 1988, but he's been treated the past several months for a brain tumor and has NOT played a role in this season's off-year election campaigns.

The American Library Association joins a coalition of several literary groups in celebrating the ninth annual ''Banned Books Week,'' to officially begin on Saturday. The event is meant to draw attention to efforts at censorship. The A-L-A says it receives about one-thousand complaints about censorship every year.

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#90264u0160 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Toronto	82	68	.547	-	43-35	39-33	8-2	W-6
Boston	81	69	.540	1	46-27	35-42	2-8	L-2
Detroit	73	77	.487	9	36-39	37-38	7-3	W-4
Cleveland	71	80	.470	11 1/2	39-37	32-43	8-2	W-4
Milwaukee	69	80	.463	12 1/2	34-38	35-42	3-7	L-3
Baltimore	67	81	.453	14	35-39	32-42	4-6	W-2
New York	60	90	.400	22	32-39	28-51	3-7	L-6
West								
Oakland	95	54	.638	-	48-27	47-27	6-4	W-1
Chicago	86	64	.573	9 1/2	45-29	41-35	6-4	L-2
Texas	79	70	.530	16	45-30	34-40	7-3	W-1
California	74	75	.497	21	41-36	33-39	5-5	L-4
Seattle	74	77	.490	22	39-40	35-37	4-6	W-1
Kansas City	69	80	.463	26	42-33	27-47	3-7	L-1
Minnesota	68	83	.450	28	37-38	31-45	3-7	W-2

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#90264u0183 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	86	64	.573	-	44-29	42-35	4-6	W-2
New York	83	66	.557	2 1/2	51-27	32-39	5-5	L-4
Montreal	81	68	.544	4 1/2	43-29	38-39	8-2	W-6
Chicago	71	78	.477	14 1/2	37-40	34-38	6-4	L-2
Philadel.	69	80	.463	16 1/2	35-36	34-44	4-6	L-1
St. Louis	67	83	.446	19	34-44	33-39	3-7	W-1
West								
Cincinnati	83	66	.557	-	42-30	41-36	4-6	L-3
Los Angeles	80	70	.533	3 1/2	43-32	37-38	6-4	W-1
San Fran.	77	73	.513	6 1/2	42-29	35-43	5-5	W-1
San Diego	71	78	.477	12	37-40	34-38	7-3	L-1
Houston	69	81	.460	14 1/2	45-30	24-51	6-4	W-2
Atlanta	60	90	.400	23 1/2	35-42	25-48	2-8	L-1

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#90264u0188 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - PENNANT RACE AT A GLANCE:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	86	64	.573	-
New York	83	66	.557	2 1/2
Montreal	81	68	.544	4 1/2

GAMES REMAINING

Pittsburgh (13) - Home (9): St. Louis (3) Sept. 21, 22, 23; Chicago (3) Sept. 25, 26, 27; New York (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (3): St. Louis (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30.

New York (13) - Home (3): Chicago (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30. Away (10): Pittsburgh (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3; Chicago (4) Sept. 21, 22, 23, 24; Montreal (3) Sept. 25, 26, 27.

Montreal (15) - Home (9): New York (3) Sept. 25, 26, 27; Philadelphia (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30; St. Louis (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (4): Philadelphia (4) Sept. 21, 22, 23, 24.

West

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	83	66	.557	-
Los Angeles	80	70	.533	3 1/2

GAMES REMAINING

Cincinnati (13) - Home (9): Atlanta (3) Sept. 25, 26, 27; San Diego (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30; Houston (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (4): San Diego (4), Sept. 21, 22 (2, twi-night), 23.

Los Angeles (12) - Home (6): San Francisco (3) Sept. 21, 22, 23; San Diego (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (6): Houston (3) Sept. 24, 25, 26; San Francisco (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	82	68	.547	-
Boston	81	69	.540	-

GAMES REMAINING

Toronto (12) - Home (3): Cleveland (3)
Sept. 21, 22, 23. Away (9): Milwaukee (3)
Sept. 24, 25, 26; Boston (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30;
Baltimore (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3.

Boston (12) - Home (8): Cleveland (2) Sept.
25, 26; Toronto (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30; Chicago
(3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (4): New York (3) Sept.
21, 22, 23; Detroit (1) Sept. 27.

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#90264u0227 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

BOGOTA, COLOMBIA (SEPT. 21) UPI - The recent kidnapping of three people related to prominent Colombians may be part of a cocaine cartel plan to pressure the government in the nation's war with drug traffickers, police said.

Francisco Santos, news editor of Colombia's largest circulation newspaper, El Tiempo, was kidnapped Wednesday night by armed men who killed a bodyguard. Santos is the son of Hernando Santos, publisher of the paper owned by the prominent Santos family.

Also kidnapped Wednesday was the sister of a former top government official. Others still missing were Diana Turbay de Uribe, daughter of former President Julio Turbay, and five journalists who disappeared Aug. 30.

Gen. Nassin Yanine Diaz, National Police commander for Bogota, said officials were working on the assumption the cases were related and part of a plan to pressure the government to negotiate with cocaine cartel leaders.

''It is one of the aspects we are evaluating,'' Yanine told the radio station RCN. ''If it is a plan put in place to pressure the government to look for a solution then we can say the cases are related. But up to now, we are evaluating this. I believe that we, as policemen, have to be working with this hypothesis.''

Kidnapping, widespread in the South American nation, is a major way guerrilla groups finance their activities, and is used frequently by common criminals as well as the drug gangs.

The spate of kidnappings is the first crisis faced by President Cesar Gaviria, who took office Aug. 7 looking to end a war between the government and the powerful Medellin cartel of cocaine traffickers.

Gaviria met Thursday in a special session of the National Security Council to discuss the situation but took no extraordinary actions, officials said.

A caller to El Tiempo claimed the three missing people were in the hands of the Medellin cartel, the newspaper said. The callers claims could not be confirmed.

But El Tiempo also cited unnamed intelligence sources that said the cartel has created work teams in Bogota, Medellin and Cali in order to ''carry out actions aginst political personalities and top government officials.''

A guerrilla group called the National Liberation Army was working with the cartel and had carried out the three kidnappings, the newspaper said.

Gaviria on Sept. 5 announced a peace plan by which drug traffickers and others who committed acts of violence could turn themselves in and confess to their crimes. In return, they could receive a reduced sentence and would be ineligible for extradition to the United States.

The caller to El Tiempo said the cartel rejected the government offer and said ''no one, absolutely no one is thinking of turning himself in,'' the newspaper said. The caller also said the cartel wanted a ''political treatment'' similar to that received by guerrilla groups.

The kidnappings disturbed a period of relative peace that began just before Gaviria took office, when the Medellin cartel declared an end to its bombings and killings. The peace declaration appeared aimed at pressuring the government to end extradition and reach an agreement with the cartel.

Santos, 28, was kidnapped by armed men who stopped his vehicle and killed his bodyguard. No demands had been received Thursday, officials said.

Hours before, Marina Montoya de Perez was kidnapped from a Bogota restaurant. She is the sister of the former secretary-general of the presidency under the past administration, German Montoya.

During the term of former President Virgilio Barco, Montoya's son, businessman Alvaro Montoya, was kidnapped by the Medellin cartel. He was released after talks between the cartel and the government.

In other cases, Turbay de Uribe, owner of a television news program and a magazine, left Bogota Aug. 30 to try to obtain an interview with the leader of a leftist guerrilla group. She and five other people have not been heard from since.

Bogota newspapers have reported she may be in the hands of Pablo Escobar, the fugitive Medellin cartel kingpin. But her father said Wednesday there was no evidence she had been kidnapped and that she may still be working on a project for the station and magazine.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

First Game

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Raines lf	4	2	2	1	Miller cf	2	2	2	1
Nixon cf	4	1	1	1	Sasser ph	1	0	0	0
Galarraga 1b	3	0	0	1	Herr 2b	5	0	2	2
Wallach 3b	4	1	3	2	Magadan 1b	3	0	1	0
Grissom rf	2	0	0	0	Strawberry rf	4	0	0	0
Burke p	0	0	0	0	McReynlds lf	4	0	1	0
Noboa 2b	1	0	0	0	Jefferies 3b	3	1	0	0
DeShields 2b	3	0	0	0	Pena p	0	0	0	0
Santovenia c	4	0	0	0	Johnson ss	4	1	2	0
Owen ss	4	1	1	0	O'Brien c	3	0	0	0
Barnes p	2	0	0	0	Boston ph	1	0	0	0
Rojas p	0	0	0	0	Viola p	2	0	0	0
Fitzgerald ph	1	0	1	1	Franco p	0	0	0	0
Alou pr	0	1	0	0	O'Malley 3b	1	0	0	0
Walker rf	1	0	0	0	Reed pr	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	6	8	6	Totals	33	4	8	3

Montreal	001	100	040-	6
New York	110	011	000-	4

E-Wallach, Barnes, Franco, Raines. DP-Montreal 1. LOB-Montreal 3, New York 7. 2B-Miller. 3B-Owen. HR-Raines (8), Wallach (20). SB-Miller (15), Grissom (20), Nixon (46). CS-Wallach. S-Magadan, Viola. SF-Galarraga.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Barnes	6	8	4	3	3	4
Rojas (W 3-1)	1	0	0	0	0	1
Burke (S 20)	2	0	0	0	0	2
New York						
Viola (L 19-10)	7 1-3	6	5	5	1	5
Franco	2-3	2	1	0	1	1
Pena	1	0	0	0	0	2

WP-Barnes. PB-O'Brien.

Umpires-Home, Williams; 1b, McSherry; 2b, Montague; 3b, Davidson.

T-3:07.

Second Game

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Raines lf	3	1	0	0	Miller cf	3	0	0	0
DeShields 2b	4	0	0	0	Herr 2b	4	0	1	0
Galarraga 1b	4	1	2	0	Magadan 1b	3	0	0	0
Wallach 3b	4	0	1	1	Strawberry rf	3	0	0	0
Fitzgerald c	3	0	0	0	McReynlds lf	3	0	0	0
Grissom rf	1	0	0	1	Jefferies 3b	3	0	0	0
Nixon rf	1	0	0	0	Johnson ss	2	0	0	0
Roomes cf	2	0	0	0	O'Brien c	2	0	0	0
Walker rf	1	0	0	0	Tabler ph	1	0	0	0
Owen ss	3	0	0	0	Schatzeder p	0	0	0	0
Nabholz p	3	0	0	0	Innis p	0	0	0	0
					Fernandez p	1	0	0	0
					Reed ph	1	0	0	0
					Whitehurst p	0	0	0	0
					Teufel ph	1	0	0	0
					Hundley c	0	0	0	0
Totals	29	2	3	2	Totals	27	0	1	0

Montreal	000	200	000-	2
New York	000	000	000-	0

DP-Montreal 1. LOB-Montreal 3, New York 3. SB-Galarraga (7). SF-Grissom.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Nabholz (W 6-0)	9	1	0	0	3	6
New York						
Fernandez (L 9-14)	6	2	2	2	2	5
Whitehurst	2	0	0	0	0	4
Schatzeder	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Innis	2-3	1	0	0	0	1

Umpires-Home, McSherry; 1b, Montague; 2b, Davidson; 3b, Williams.

T-2:34. A-33,711.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Alomar 2b	4	0	2	0	Harris 3b	3	1	1	0
Templeton ss	4	0	1	0	Sharpersn 3b	1	0	0	0
Clark 1b	4	0	0	0	Javier rf	4	1	2	0

Carter lf	3	1	1	0	Daniels lf	3	0	0	1
Gwynn rf	4	0	0	0	Gonzalez lf	0	0	0	0
Santiago c	4	1	1	2	Murray 1b	3	2	1	0
Pagliarulo 3b	4	0	0	0	Gibson cf	4	1	1	1
Jackson cf	4	0	0	0	Scioscia c	4	0	2	2
Benes p	1	0	0	0	Samuel 2b	3	2	2	0
Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0	Griffin ss	3	0	1	2
Stephensn ph	1	0	1	0	Martinez p	3	0	1	1
Schiraldi p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	33	2	6	2	Totals	31	7	11	7

San Diego	000	000	002- 2
Los Angeles	020	005	00x- 7

DP-San Diego 1. LOB-San Diego 6, Los Angeles 3. 2B-Templeton, Harris, Scioscia. 3B-Griffin. HR-Santiago (11). SB- Alomar (23). SF-Daniels.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Benes (L 10-9)	5 1-3	6	5	5	1	1
Rodriguez	1 2-3	4	2	2	1	0
Schiraldi	1	1	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles						
Martinez (W 19-6)	9	6	2	2	2	9

Umpires-Home, Darling; 1b, Froemming; 2b, Pulli; 3b, Rippley.

T-2:29. A-25,277.

PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	5	1	1	0	Gilkey lf	4	1	2	0
Morandini 2b	3	0	1	0	Zeile 3b	3	1	1	1
VHayes lf	4	1	1	1	Hudler cf	4	0	1	0
Murphy rf	4	1	1	1	Guerrero 1b	4	0	1	0
Kruk 1b	4	1	1	1	Jose rf	4	1	1	1
Daulton c	4	0	3	1	Pena 2b	2	0	0	0
CHayes 3b	4	0	0	0	Perez p	0	0	0	0
Booker ss	3	0	0	0	Walling ph	1	0	1	1
Mulholland p	4	0	0	0	Collins pr	0	1	0	0
McDowell p	0	0	0	0	OSmith ss	4	0	1	0
					Stephens c	3	1	1	1
					Lankford ph	1	0	1	1
					BSmith p	1	0	0	0
					Sherrill p	0	0	0	0
					Niedenfuer p	0	0	0	0

					MThmpsn ph	1	0	0	0
					DiPino p	0	0	0	0
					Wilson ph	1	0	0	0
					Oquendo 2b	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	4	8	4	Totals	33	5	10	5

Two outs when winning run scored

Philadelphia	000	004	000-	4
St Louis	000	002	003-	5

E-OSmith. DP-Philadelphia 2. LOB-Philadelphia 6, St. Louis 4. 2B-Morandini, Murphy, Kruk, Daulton, Zeile, OSmith. 3B-Gilkey. HR-Stephens (1). SB-Morandini (3), Daulton (7), Jose (4). SF-Zeile.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Mulholland	8	5	3	3	1	7
McDowell (L 6-8)	2-3	5	2	2	0	0
St. Louis						
Smith	5 1-3	6	4	4	1	3
Sherrill	0	1	0	0	0	0
Niedenfuer	2-3	0	0	0	1	2
DiPino	2	1	0	0	0	2
Perez (W 1-0)	1	0	0	0	0	1

Sherrill pitched to one batter in 6th; Mulholland pitched to one batter in 9th.

Umpires-Home, Bonin; 1b, Rennert; 2b, Tata; 3b, Quick.

T-2:45. A-14,744.

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Larkin ss	3	0	2	0	Yelding cf	2	1	1	0
Morris 1b	4	0	1	0	Candaele 2b	4	0	1	1
Doran 2b	4	0	0	0	Caminiti 3b	4	0	0	0
Davis lf	4	2	2	1	Davis 1b	2	0	2	0
O'Neill rf	4	0	0	0	Young pr	0	1	0	0
Sabo 3b	3	0	0	0	Stubbs lf	3	0	0	0
Reed c	2	0	0	0	Rohde ph	0	1	0	0
Hatcher cf	3	0	0	0	Biggio c	3	0	0	0
Charlton p	3	0	1	0	Ramirez ss	3	0	0	0
Myers p	0	0	0	0	Davidson rf	4	0	0	0
					Scott p	2	0	0	0
					Simms ph	1	0	0	0
					Hernandez p	0	0	0	0

					Nichols ph	1	0	1	2
Totals	30	2	6	1	Totals	29	3	5	3

Two out when winning run scored

Cincinnati	010	100	000- 2
Houston	000	001	002- 3

E-Biggio. DP-Houston 1. LOB-Cincinnati 4, Houston 7. HR-Davis (22). SB-Davis (17), Morris (9), Yelding (58). CS-Morris. S-Larkin, Biggio.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Charlton	7 1-3	3	1	1	4	7
Myers (L 3-5)	1 1-3	2	2	2	1	2
Houston						
Scott	8	6	2	1	2	4
Hernandez (W 2-0)	1	0	0	0	0	1

PB-Biggio. HBP-by Myers (Rohde).

Umpires-Home, Demuth; 1b, Gregg; 2b, Crawford; 3b, Harvey.

T-2:32. A-7,895.

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
King 3b	6	0	1	0	Walton cf	4	0	1	0
Bell ss	4	2	0	0	Sandberg 2b	3	1	1	1
VanSlyke cf	3	3	2	3	DwSmith rf	1	0	0	0
Bonilla rf	5	0	1	2	Dunston ss	4	0	0	0
Bonds lf	3	3	1	2	Dawson rf	2	0	0	0
Bream 1b	4	0	1	0	GSmith 2b	1	0	0	0
LaValliere c	4	1	0	0	May lf	4	1	2	0
Lind 2b	4	2	2	2	Salazar 3b	4	0	1	0
Garcia ph	1	0	1	0	Villanueva 1b	4	0	2	0
Belliard 2b	0	0	0	0	Girardi c	4	0	0	1
Walk p	1	0	1	1	RKramer p	0	0	0	0
Palacios p	2	0	0	0	Coffman p	1	0	0	0
					Varsho ph	1	0	0	0
					MiWilliams p	0	0	0	0
					DClark ph	1	0	0	0
					Long p	0	0	0	0
					Lancaster p	0	0	0	0
Totals	37	11	10	10	Totals	34	2	7	2

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E-Van Slyke 2, Dunston 2, Villanueva. DP-Chicago 1. LOB-Pittsburgh 10, Chicago 6. 3B-Lind. HR-Van Slyke 2 (17), Sandberg (37), Bonds (32). S-Walk.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Walk (W 6-5)	5 1-3	5	2	2	1	4
Palacios (S 1)	3 2-3	2	0	0	0	2
Chicago						
RKramer (L 0-3)	1 1-3	4	4	4	2	2
Coffman	3 2-3	2	2	2	5	3
Williams	2	1	3	2	2	2
Long	1	3	2	2	1	1
Lancaster	1	0	0	0	0	0

WP-Palacios.

Umpires-Home, Layne; 1b, Runge; 2b, Winters; 3b, Davis.

T-2:51. A-14,926.

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	4	0	1	0	Smith lf	5	0	0	0
Kingery rf	5	0	1	0	Gant cf	5	0	1	1
Clark 1b	5	1	2	0	Justice rf	2	1	0	0
Mitchell lf	3	1	1	0	Presley 3b	4	0	1	0
Riles 2b	3	1	1	0	Cabrera 1b	3	0	0	0
Williams 3b	2	0	2	0	Blauser ss	3	1	1	1
Litton 3b	3	0	0	1	Olson c	4	0	1	0
Decker c	4	0	1	1	Lemke 3b	4	1	0	0
Uribe ss	3	1	1	0	Mercker p	0	0	0	0
Gunderson p	2	0	0	0	Smoltz p	1	0	0	0
Laga ph	1	1	1	2	Gregg ph	1	0	1	1
Reuschel p	1	0	0	0	Castillo p	0	0	0	0
					Parrett p	0	0	0	0
					Treadway 2b	1	0	0	0
Totals	36	5	11	4	Totals	33	3	5	3

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Atlanta 110 001 000- 3

E-Uribe, Mitchell. LOB-San Francisco 10, Atlanta 8. 2B-Decker, Kingery. 3B-Butler. HR-Laga (2). SB-Gant (29). S-Smoltz. SF-Litton.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Gunderson (W 1-2)	5	2	2	1	3	3
Reuschel (S 1)	4	3	1	1	1	1
Atlanta						
Smoltz (L 13-10)	6	7	4	4	4	4
Castillo	1-3	1	1	1	0	1
Parrett	1 2-3	2	0	0	1	1
Mercker	1	1	0	0	0	0

WP-Smoltz.

Umpires-Home, Wendelstedt; 1b, West; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, Marsh.

T-3:00. A-3,790.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Cole cf	5	1	1	0	Kelly cf	5	0	0	0
Fermin ss	3	3	2	0	Sax 2b	5	2	2	1
Baerga 2b	5	3	4	3	Maas dh	4	0	1	1
Maldonad dh	5	1	1	2	Barfield rf	3	0	2	1
Manto 1b	4	1	1	1	Balboni 1b	4	1	1	1
Jacoby 3b	5	2	3	2	Meulens lf	3	1	1	0
Ward rf	5	1	2	1	Leyritz c	3	1	1	1
Skinner c	5	0	1	2	Blowers 3b	0	1	0	0
Jefferson lf	5	0	1	0	Nokes c	2	0	0	0
					Espinoza ss	3	1	1	1
					Azocar ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	42	12	16	11	Totals	33	7	9	6

Cleveland	100	443	000-12
New York	060	100	000- 7

DP-Cleveland 2, New York 1. LOB- Cleveland 6, New York 4. 2B-Meulens, Leyritz, Baerga 3, Maldonado, Jacoby 2, Skinner, Manto, Jefferson. 3B-Baerga. HR-Balboni (16). SB-Sax (37), Cole 2 (33).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						

Swindell	1 2-3	6	6	6	1	2
Walker (W 2-6)	5 1-3	3	1	0	4	2
Olin	2	0	0	0	0	4
New York						
Eiland	3 1-3	7	5	5	0	3
Monteleone (L 0-1)	1	3	4	4	1	0
Cadaret	1	2	3	3	1	2
Habyan	1 2-3	3	0	0	0	1
Mills	2	1	0	0	1	3

WP-Cadaret.

Umpires-Home, Phillips; 1b, Clark; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, McCoy.

T-3:17. A-18,058.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Calderon lf	4	0	0	0	Reynolds 2b	5	0	0	0
LJohnson cf	4	0	1	1	EMartinez 3b	2	2	1	1
Fisk c	4	0	1	0	Cotto cf	4	2	2	4
Thomas 1b	3	1	2	0	Leonard lf	4	0	2	1
Pasqua rf	3	0	0	0	ADavis dh	4	1	1	1
PBradley dh	3	1	1	0	Buhner rf	4	0	1	0
Ventura 3b	4	0	1	1	PO'Brien 1b	3	0	0	0
Fletcher 2b	4	0	1	0	Valle c	2	1	1	0
Guillen ss	4	1	1	1	Vizquel ss	3	1	1	0
Totals	33	3	8	3	Totals	31	7	9	7

Chicago	011	100	000-3
Seattle	004	020	01x-7

DP-Chicago 2, Seattle 1. LOB-Chicago 6, Seattle 6. 3B-Cotto. HR-Cotto (4), A Davis (14). CS-EMartinez. S-PBradley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Hibbard (L 13-9)	5	6	6	6	4	3
Rosenberg	2 2-3	3	1	1	1	1
Radinsky	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Seattle						
Hanson (W 16-9)	9	8	3	3	2	3

WP-Hanson 2. PB-Valle.

Umpires-Home, Scott; 1b, McKean; 2b, Kaiser; 3b, Johnson.

T-2:39. A-7,956.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... U-P-I has the latest news. .

The Bush administration is considering a major arms sale to Saudi Arabia to meet additional needs caused by the tense stalemate in the Persian Gulf. One administration proposal puts the sale figure at 20- BILLION dollars, but a White House aide says only that the cost would be ''significant.'' The weapons sale package is NOT expected to be presented to Congress until the administration has more information. .

Soaring oil prices resulting from the Persian Gulf crisis are having an impact on world stock markets. Prices fell in New York Thursday, with the Dow Jones dropping to its lowest close since August 23rd. Stocks also fell in London, Frankfurt, Tokyo and Taipei. Higher oil prices and rising interest rates are increasing the possibility of recession.

Police in Colombia think a wave of kidnappings of people related to prominent Colombians might be part of a plan by the cocaine cartels. The national police commander for Bogota says the recent abductions apparently are an attempt to pressure the government to negotiate with drug lords.

Lawmakers in Bonn sang the German national anthem yesterday after the West German parliament ratified a bilateral treaty settling details of German unification. The East German parliament also ratified the document. German unification is to take place on October 3rd.

NASA says the shuttle Columbia is grounded until at least late November. That will allow time for launch of the shuttle Discovery on October 5th, and for a flight by Atlantis about November 7th. Both those shuttles have ''NO known or suspected defects.'' Columbia has been plagued by hydrogen fuel leaks.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - Buck Rogers' doubts aside, the Montreal Expos are suddenly in a pennant race.

Chris Nabholz fired a one-hitter for his first major league shutout Thursday to lead the Expos to their sixth straight win, a 2-0 decision over the New York Mets that gave Montreal a sweep of their double- header.

In the first game, Andres Galarraga snapped a tie with a sacrifice fly and the Expos scored four runs in the eighth inning for a 6-4 victory.

The Expos' six straight wins - three against the first-place Pittsburgh Pirates and three against the Mets - moved the Expos to within 4 1-2 games of the top of the NL East and dropped the Mets 2 1-2 games behind Pittsburgh.

Still, Rogers is downplaying his teams' pennant surge.

''Before we're taken seriously, we gotta' pass somebody and get into second place,'' Rodgers said. ''Hopefully we can play well enough to pass them (Mets). We've got a big four-game series in Philadelphia this week. This was a great series for us.''

For the Mets, it further exposed their vulnerability to left-handed pitching.

Montreal started two left-handers who began the season in Double A, and came away with two wins. New York fell to 24-29 against southpaw starters.

It won't get any easier for the Mets. They face left-hander Steve Wilson Friday in Chicago.

''We dug ourselves a couple of holes this year,'' New York Manager Bud Harrelson said. ''We bounced back early in the season and again after the All-Star Game.''

Any combination of Pirate victories and New York losses totalling 11 would eliminate the Mets. Pittsburgh's magic number is nine for ousting the Expos.

New York plays 10 of its last 13 games on the road, including its final three against Pittsburgh. The Pirates play nine of their last 12 at home.

New York's Dave Magadan reflected on what the Mets squandered in going 5-5 on their last major homestand.

''Pittsburgh loses six in a row ...,'' he said. ''We've had our opportunities.''

Nabholz, 6-0, took a no-hitter into the sixth before Tom Herr singled with two out.

''It's a pitch I wanted to throw,'' Nabholz said of the ball Herr hit. ''So I have no regrets.''

Sid Fernandez, 9-14, took the loss despite allowing just two hits in six innings.

The Expos got all the runs they would need in the fourth. Tim Raines walked

and scored on singles by Galarraga and Tim Wallach. Mike Fitzgerald walked to load the bases and Marquis Grissom lined a sacrifice fly to right.

''Montreal has everything to gain and nothing to lose,'' New York's Keith Miller said.

Galarraga's eighth-inning fly to shallow center delivered Raines in the opener making a winner of reliever Mel Rojas, 3-1. Tim Burke pitched two innings for his 20th save. The loss went to Frank Viola, 19- 10, who entered the eighth with a two-run lead. John Franco blew a save opportunity for New York.

Elsewhere in the National League: Pittsburgh crushed Chicago 11-2; San Francisco topped Atlanta 5-3, Houston edged Cincinnati 3-2, St. Louis nipped Philadelphia 5-4 and Los Angeles crowned San Diego 7-2.

In the American League; Cleveland pasted New York 12-7 and Seattle downed Chicago 7-3.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Pirates 11, Cubs 2

At Chicago, Andy Van Slyke hit two home runs, driving in three runs, and Barry Bonds hit his 32nd homer to power the Pirates. Bob Walk, 6-5, posted his first victory since July 20, allowing five hits over 5 1-3 innings, including Ryne Sandberg's NL-leading 37th home run. Bonds's homer, a two-run blast in the eighth, was his third in his last six at- bats. Randy Kramer, fell to 0-3.

Giants 5, Braves 3

At Atlanta, Mike Laga's two-run pinch-hit homer in the sixth helped Eric Gunderson earn his first major-league victory. With the score tied 2-2 and one out, Jose Uribe singled off John Smoltz, 13-10 and Laga, batting for Gunderson 1-2, hit his second homer of the season. Rick Reuschel earned his first save sinc 1985 with four-innings of three-hit relief.

Astros 3, Reds 2

At Houston, Pinch hitter Carl Nichols lined a bases-loaded, two-run single with two out in the bottom of the ninth to rally Houston. Nichols, batting for winning pitcher Javier Hernandez, lined the first pitch off Randy Myers, 3-5, to send the Reds to their third straight setback. Hernandez, 2-0, retired the side in order in the ninth to pick up the victory.

Cardinals 5, Phillies 4

At St. Louis, Rookie pinch hitter Ray Lankford's RBI single capped a three-run ninth inning rally to lift St. Louis. Roger McDowell, 6-8, took the loss. Mike

Perez, 1-0, pitched the ninth to pick up his first major league win. Lenny Dykstra went 1 for 5 and is now batting .330. Willie McGee leads the NL with a .335 average.

Dodgers 7, Padres 2

At Los Angeles, Ramon Martinez tossed a six-hit complete game and Alfredo Griffin and Mike Scioscia drove in two runs apiece to help move Los Angeles within 3 1-2 games of the Cincinnati Reds in the National League West. Martinez, 19-6, hurled his major league-leading 11th complete game. Andy Benes 10-9, took the loss.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Indians 12, Yankees 7

At New York, Carlos Baerga had a triple and three of Cleveland's nine doubles to pace the Indians. Brook Jacoby added two doubles, a single and and two RBI for the Indians. Mike Walker, 2-6, picked up the win while Rich Monteleone, 0-1 was the loser.

Mariners 7, White Sox 3

At Seattle, Henry Cotto drove in four runs with a two-run triple and a two-run homer and Erik Hanson pitched a complete game for the Mariners. Hanson, 16-9, scattered eight hits in posting his third complete game. Greg Hibbard, 13-9, allowed six runs over five innings.

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#90264u0270 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (SEPT. 21) UPI - A typhoon flinging winds up to 72 mph dumped up to 14 inches of rain on central Vietnam, killing at least seven people, the Vietnam News Agency reported.

The agency, in a dispatch dated Thursday, said six people were killed Tuesday in Quang Nam-Da Nang province, 360 miles south of Hanoi where the wind was recorded at 72 mph.

In the nearby city of Hue one person was drowned and 15 others injured as 12 to 14 inches of rain swelled the Perfume River and flooded the city.

The report said more than 150 houses were heavily damaged along with thousands of acres of rice fields.

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#90264u0273 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (SEPT. 21) UPI - Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen has asked the United Nations to invite representatives of all Cambodian factions to attend the current U.N. General Assembly session despite the failure of the Cambodians to agree on a delegation, official Phnom Penh radio reported.

The radio, in a broadcast Thursday night, said Hun Sen has sent a telegram to U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar and the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council describing the failure of this week's Supreme National Council meeting to name a joint U.N. delegation.

The SNC was created to try bringing peace to warring Cambodia. Its talks collapsed earlier this week after it could not find a way to establish a leadership for the council.

''I would like your excellencies to kindly invite the SNC members to participate in the present session of the U.N. General Assembly in order to solve at least one urgent and primordial question,'' Hun Sen said in a text of the telegram read on the radio.

The move appeared to be an effort to give the Vietnamese-installed government representation at the United Nations for the first time despite the impasse in the SNC.

The resistance has held onto Cambodia's U.N. seat despite the Vietnamese invasion that ousted the leading resistance group - the Khmer Rouge - from power in January 1979.

The 12-member SNC, which includes all four battling Cambodian factions, is the key to a comprehensive U.N. peace plan meant to end the fighting that has sputtered in Cambodia ever since.

The council was formally established and held its first meeting in Bangkok on Monday. It was scheduled to name a joint delegation to the United Nations, but the meeting collapsed amid differences over the chairmanship of the council.

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#90264u0306 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 21) UPI - Actor Corey Feldman was released from jail early Friday following his second arrest this year on charges of heroin possession, authorities said.

Feldman, 19, of Beverly Hills, was arrested on several outstanding traffic warrants about 4:30 p.m. Thursday, and officers found a small amount of heroin during a booking search.

Feldman was released about 1:50 a.m. from Van Nuys Jail after posting $5,000 bail on the heroin count and paying the $729 fine on the traffic warrants.

The arrest occurred in front of a friend's home in North Hollywood where a neighbor had reported someone trying to break into a 1988 BMW. Police determined no crime had been committed when they found Feldman in his girlfriend's car, Lt. Gary Hallden said.

But police discovered Feldman had three outstanding traffic warrants worth $729 and arrested him and allegedly found two ballons containing 0.03 grams of heroin during a booking search at the North Hollywood police station, Hallden said.

The actor was arrested on a felony count of suspicion of possessing a controlled substance.

''It is our opinion it was for his own personal use,'' Hallden said.

On March 10, Feldman was arrested after police stopped him in downtown Los Angeles for a traffic violation and found heroin in his car.

He was charged with one felony count of possession of heroin for sale after police found 25 balloons of a powder believed to be heroin.

Following that arrest, Feldman underwent a drug rehabilitation program, said Feldman publicist Michael Levine.

Feldman is best known for his role in the movies, ''Stand By Me,'' and most recently ''The 'Burbs.''

Feldman has performed in movies and commercials since he was a child. He has had acting stints in the television series ''Mork and Mindy, ''''Mork and Mindy,

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#90264u0307 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 21) UPI - Despite several weeks of intense closed-door discussions, the Japanese government and major political parties have failed to come up with a plan for sending Japanese troops to the Gulf, a government spokesman said Friday.

''We are trying our best to reach a conclusion at the earliest possible time '' said Taizo Watanabe, chief spokesman for the Foreign Ministry. ''But at this time, there is no authentic version at all.''

The target date for a firm proposal is Sept. 28, when Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu is to leave for New York and a meeting with President Bush.

''He (Kaifu) hopes to have the gist of the idea confirmed if possible by the

time he departs for New York,'' said Watanabe, stressing that this was just a hope and may not be possible.

Japan has pledged to give $4 billion in Gulf aid but is feeling pressure to contribute human as well as financial resources.

But a proposal from Kaifu to send non-combat troops to the Gulf has bogged down in a debate over the possible violation of Japan's ''peace constitution.''

The constitution, written after Japan's defeat in World War II, renounces the use of force as a means of settling international disputes.

Government officials and politicians are working on a plan to send people to the Gulf without violating the Constitution.

Many different versions have emerged but most agree the force will number about 1,000, include at least some soldiers from Japan's Self Defense Forces and be strictly restricted to non-combat duty.

Surveys show most Japanese oppose sending troops to the Gulf.

After suffering a major election setback last year, the ruling Liberal Democratic Party is not in a position to ignore public opinion. Opposition parties, who control the upper house of the Parliament, are generally opposed to sending troops.

Kaifu, in traditional Japanese fashion, is trying to forge a consensus before presenting the plan formally.

''We want to give ample opportunity for discussion,'' said Watanabe.

But some doubt the slow building of a consensus will work in this crisis situation.

''They won't be able to do it in time,'' said Tetsuo Maeda, a military analyst.

Maeda believes the Gulf crisis will end before Japan can decide on whether to send non-combat forces.

''We may have a decision in time for the next crisis,'' he said.

The one thing Japanese decision were able to quickly agree on was that any force sent to the Gulf will not go to fight.

''There is no possibility they will be equipped with arms other than for self defense,'' Watanabe said.

And they may even be barred from carrying pistols for self defense, Watanabe

added.

''Arms for self defense is being discussed,'' he said.

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#90264u0311 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 21) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait:

BAGHDAD, IRAQ - Saddam Hussein donned a field marshal's uniform and appeared on Iraqi television while a statement broadcast on his behalf lashed out at Arab efforts to bring peace to the gulf and said Iraq would go ahead with its battle of honor against U.S.-led forces. ''Every Iraqi must understand that the coming battle will be for the liberation of mankind and for the liberation of Jerusalem,'' said Saddam's statement, read on Iraqi television and radio.

TOKYO - Despite several weeks of intense closed-door discussions, the Japanese government and major political parties have failed to come up with a plan for sending Japanese troops to the Gulf, a government spokesman said Friday. The target date for a firm proposal is Sept. 28, when Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu is to leave for New York and a meeting with President Bush.

BEIJING - Iraq's Asian neighbors reinforced Baghdad's international isolation Thursday by expelling the Iraqi team from the quadrennial Asian Games.

WASHINGTON - The Pentagon said one soldier was killed when a Humvee, a jeep-type vehicle belonging to the Army's 82nd Airborne Division, rolled over during a training exercise. A military spokesman in Saudi Arabia said the off-road accident occurred Thursday morning. Two other soldiers were hurt and both were in stable condition. Identification of all three was being withheld.

PARIS - Iraq is expelling 11 diplomats from the French Embassy in Baghdad in retaliation for the expulsion of an equal number of Iraqi diplomats from France, the French Foreign Ministry said Friday. The ministry said Iraq informed it of the tit-for-tat measures Friday morning, a short time before 11 Iraqi diplomats were to be put on a flight to Amman as part of a package of measures announced by President Francois Mitterrand last week.

RALEIGH, NC - Another load of former hostages arrived in the United States from Iraq and Kuwait. A Pan Am flight loaded with 338 people touched down at North Carolina's Raleigh-Durham International Airport Thursday. The final flight out of Baghdad returning Americans to the United States is scheduled to arrive in Raleigh Sunday.

Investors hammered stocks lower Thursday on major global markets as recent soaring oil prices coupled with higher interest rates to increase the

likelihood of a recession. Prices plummented in New York after falling to their lowest level of the year in several major capitals including London, Frankfurt, Tokyo and Taipei.

ANKARA, TURKEY - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein told Turkey's former Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit, in an interview published Thursday, that Iraq was prepared to withstand U.N. economic sanctions for several years. ''We believe we are in a position to harm the United States, in case of war,'' Saddam told Ecevit in an interview published in the Istanbul newspaper Milliyet. He said Iraq had fought Iran for eight years and could go on fighting for five or six years more.

WASHINGTON - A reluctant President Bush is under growing pressure from lawmakers to tap the nation's Strategic Petroleum Reserve now to calm oil markets before the Persian Gulf crisis leads to an actual energy shortage. Bush, who signed legislation Saturday giving him wider latitude to order emergency oil supplies drawn from the 600 million- barrel reserve, said this week he had no immediate plans to take such action.

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#90264u0342 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

STARKE, FL (SEPT. 21) UPI - James William Hamblen was executed in the electric chair Friday for the 1984 killing of a lingerie shop owner during a robbery.

Hamblen, 61, was declared dead at 7:13 a.m. at the Florida State Prison.

The Supreme Court had refused to block Hamblen's execution after the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta rejected Hamblen's argument that he should not be executed because he was mentally ill when he pleaded guilty to the killing of Lauren Jean Edwards.

Hamblen became the 140th person executed in the United States and the 23rd in Florida since the Supreme Court lifted its ban on capital punishment in 1976.

Hamblen was condemned for killing Edwards April 24, 1984, during a robbery at the ladies' boutique she ran in Jacksonville. Court records say he forced her into a changing room and shot her in the head after seeing her trip a silent alarm.

Hamblen drove to Florida from Texas after murdering his ex-girlfriend there, court records say.

Hamblen was one of three condemned prisoners whose executions were stayed earlier this summer while the courts considered whether the electric chair was malfunctioning.

Defense lawyers claimed the state risked subjecting inmates to a torturous death, violating the constitutional ban on cruel and unusual punishment, after flames and sparks shot out of the headpiece during the May execution of Jesse Tafero.

After the state tested the chair using a metal colander and length of tube to simulate a human head and ankle and declared it was working properly, the Supreme Court permitted its use in the July 27 execution of Anthony Bertolotti.

In seeking to stop his execution, Hamblen's lawyers argued that he had a long history of mental illness and should not have been permitted to plead guilty and waive his right to a lawyer during his trial.

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#90264u0436 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 21) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange rebounded Friday as domestic investment trusts placed large buy orders shortly before the close. Trading remained light.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which had declined in each of the last six trading sessions, including 123.19 points on Thursday, rebounded 174.85 points to 23,777.83.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index adedd 1.80 points to 1,769.77, following a 31.75 point decline Thrusday.

An estimated 430 million shares chnaged hands, compared with 408 million shares Thursday.

Advances outpaced declines 564 to 387, while 151 shares remained unchanged.

George Nimmo, manager of SBCI Securities said a rumor domestic investment trusts would place large buy orders at the close of trading led to a surge in the final hour.

Investment trusts bought to take advantage of the low prices, analysts said.

Before the rebound, the Nikkei hit a low of 23,049.99 as prices fell in reaction to the drop overnight on Wall Street and the increase in oil prices, Chris Schreiber, a broker with New Japan Securities said.

The Nikkei Average closed the morning session at 23,292.80 points and held around that level until the rush of buying in the last hour.

Schreiber said most buying focused on large capital issues, adding that his firm is promoting quality blue chips which he noted are in their bottom zones.

But he said he doubts this signals a major turn in the market.

''I don't think anybody is looking for a huge runup,'' Schreiber said. ''The problems hanging over the market haven't gone away. The biggest is the rise in oil prices and interest rates. It looks like things are heading for a slowdown.''

On the trading floor, electrical stocks, including Sanyo and TDK, ended higher.

Rubber, shipping, steel and real estate shares also gained while some financial shares eased.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices fell sharply in moderate trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as concerns grew about the foreign markets.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which added 3.59 points Thursday, dropped 52.68 points or 1.8 percent to 2,931.86.

Among the narrower indexes, financials fell 27.27 points, utilities lost 58.84 industrials shed 59.83 and properties dropped 77.39 points.

Volume was higher than in previous days as an estimated 620 million shares changed hands, comnpared with 430 million shares on Thursday.

''The market was reacting to the overnight fall of the New York Stock Exchange '' said Herman Lam of First Pacific Securities.

''There is an overall fear here that the other markets in Tokyo, London and New York will drop heavily,'' Lam said.

In Singapore, stock prices dived in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange as investors remained sidelined.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which lost 6.20 points Thursday, plunged 27.99 points to 1,148.39. The broader-based All Singapore Index, which eased 1.54 points Thursday, lost another 5.66 points to 326.23.

An estimated 39.1 million shares changed hands, compared with 33.2 million shares Thursday.

Analysts said investors were jittery over the recent development in the Middle East despite the upswing in Tokyo.

On the trading floor, Far East Shipping paced the declining issues followed by Asia Pacific Brewery,Singapore Airline, UMW Holding and GB Holding.

Alex Holdings led the advancing issues followed by Polytek, United Engineering Central Properties, Tiger Balm Ltd. and Guinness Anchor.

In Australia, stock prices closed sharply lower on the Sydney Sharemarket.

Echoing the falls in London and New York, the All Ordinaries Index, which fell 5.2 points Thursday, lost 18.6 points to 1,428.0.

The All Industrials Index fell 30.3 points to 2,108.8 and the All Resources Index slipped 8.8 points to 896.3.

An estimated 66.6 million shares changed hands, compared with 67.4 million shares Thursday.

Declines overpowered advances, 201 to 87, while 212 stocks remained unchanged.

Analysts said the turnaround in Tokyo helped to halt the Australian markets slid.

Banks, media and transport issues, were all hard hit.

Investors worried about the levels of bank bad debts. ANZ Bank fell 10 cents to $4.18 and NAB Bank lost 10 cents to $6.08.

Stronger oil prices failed to help stocks in the oil patch. BHP fell 15 cents to $10.95.

Elsewhere, News Corp. fell 85 cents to $9.60, Brambles lost 15 cents to $12.70 and Elders-IXL slipped 7 cents to $1.49.

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#90264u0449 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (SEPT. 21) UPI - There is much more than gold medals and national pride at stake at the 11th Asian Games.

Although Iraq's expulsion from the games has overshadowed the rest of the off-the-field maneuvering, some of the 36 participating nations and territories hope to use the games, which open Saturday, to improve political and economic relations with China.

Some countries that officially have poor relations with Beijing - or none at all - have sent both athletes to compete on the field and diplomats to maneuver with the Chinese leadership.

Pre-games meetings with foreign diplomats have been hailed by China, which is eager to improve its image after the worldwide condemnation of its brutal crushing of the nation's democracy movement in June 1989.

Vietnam's deputy prime minister is in Beijing, the first officially

acknowledged high-level Vietnamese visit since 1979, when Vietnam and China fought a border war. Bilateral relations since then have been marred by Vietnam's long occupation of Cambodia.

According to Chinese officials, Vice Prime Minister Gen. Vo Nguyen Giap is in Beijing only to take part in the Asian Games celebrations, but diplomats say there is more to the trip.

''The line that Giap is here to observe the games is hogwash,'' a Western diplomat said. ''He came separately from the Vietnamese sports delegation and he is being treated as a state visitor.''

The diplomat said Giap may meet with Chinese Communist Party leader Jiang Zemin.

In contrast to Beijing's refusal to publicly acknowledge a political dimension to Giap's visit, Vietnam openly hopes it will improve relations between the Communist neighbors.

''We are striving to restore the friendly relations in the interests of the Vietnamese and Chinese people and for the sake of stability in Asia,'' a Vietnamese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman said in Hanoi Thursday. ''We wish (Giap's) trip will contribute to the early normalization of relations between the two countries.''

Diplomats say it is unlikely the countries will make any breakthrough during the games, but that Giap could come away with an agreement to regularize the booming local trade across the partially opened Sino- Vietnamese border.

South Korea is hoping to use its highly visible sponsorship of the games as an opportunity to further build trade relations with Beijing.

Seoul donated more than 200 cars to the games' organizing committee and South Korean companies say they have pledged several million dollars in sponsorship. Huge billboards advertising Korean products are up all over Beijing.

Trade between China and South Korea hit a high of about $3.1 billion in 1989, but analysts say that figure is expected to drop sharply for 1990, largely at the urging of communist North Korea.

It was widely speculated that South Korean President Roh Tae Woo would come to Beijing for the games, but Western sources say China discouraged such a move. China has repeatedly disavowed any intention to establish political ties with South Korea.

Officials from Taiwan, whose athletes are competing in their first Asian Games since 1970, say they hope the games will quicken the pace of gradually improving ties. Taiwan, competing as ''Chinese Taipei,'' has a 380-member

delegation accompanied by a large press corps.

''The sporting events will increase people-to-people understanding,'' said Bang Chong-dan, director of Taipei's athletic delegation. ''Except for the political problems, mainland China belongs to all Chinese.''

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#90264u0491 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein says the Baghdad government will go ahead with its battle of honor against U-S-led forces in the Persian Gulf. Dressed in a field marshal's uniform, Saddam appeared on Iraqi television heading a joint meeting of the Revolution Command Council and Iraq's ruling party. His war-like statement was one of his strongest yet. .

Saddam wants equal time on American t-v, saying through aides he videotaped a reply to a speech President Bush made on Iraqi television. Iraq's ambassador to the United States went to the State Department with the request, but Assistant Secretary of State John Kelly told him the government ''is NOT a marketing agent.'' Officials at A-B-C, N-B-C and C-N-N says they have made NO decision on broadcasting the Saddam tape. C-B-S had NO immediate comment.

Federal prosecutors allege oil giant Exxon had evidence fired Exxon Valdez skipper Joseph Hazelwood was UNfit for duty when the super-tanker smashed into Bligh reef last year. The Justice Department yesterday filed 300 pages of documents in its criminal case against Exxon in federal court in Anchorage, Alaska. Hazelwood was skipper on the ship when it spilled 11-Million gallons of oil into pristine waters off Alaska's coast.

Chinese sources say police have issued an internal alert for the arrests of 21 people throughout China who have made threats to sabotage the Asian Games with bombings and assassination. The arrest order is the first real indication of any threat to the games. China has blanketed Beijing with a huge security presence for the international sporting event, scheduled to begin tomorrow.

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#90264u0498 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

AGRIGENTO, SICILY (SEPT. 21) UPI - A suspected Mafia hit squad ambushed and shot to death a prominent local magistrate Friday as he drove from his home to his office in southern Sicily, police said.

Police said the victim was Rosario Livatino, 38, who was involved in prosecuting Mafia cases in the area of Agrigento, a large market town near the south coast of Sicily.

The assassination took place at a time when the Italian government is engaged in a major crackdown on organized crime across southern Italy and Sicily.

Justice Minister Giuliano Vassalli has called the fight against the Mafia a ''national priority''.

Livatino was driving from his home at Canicatti, a hill-town some 20 miles northeast of Agrigento to his office when gunmen in a small Fiat car forced his Ford to a halt on a state highway outside Agrigento Friday morning.

The gunmen, joined by others on two motorcycles, opened fire on the magistrate's car. Livatino jumped out and tried to escape by leaping into a roadside ravine. But the gunmen riddled him with bullets from 30 feet away.

Police said they had no doubt the gunmen were from the local Mafia, which is highly active in the Agrigento region.

The gunmen made a getaway after the shooting and scores of Carabinieri (paramilitary national police), backed by helicopters, launched a manhunt over a wide area.

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#90264u0509 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - Cambodian resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk has taken a step toward resolving differences that caused a deadlock at a meeting of Cambodia's Supreme National Council. In a statement from Beijing, Sihanouk says he's willing to allow Cambodian Premier Hun Sen to take an extra seat on the Council, if Sihanouk is made council chief and an additional member.

A news report from Indonesia says 33 people died in a chain-reaction accident involving two buses and a van on a rain-slick road. Indonesia's official news agency says a van overturned yesterday on a central Java highway and villagers went to help the victims. A bus slammed into the wreckage and rescuers, killing a police officer directing traffic at the scene. A second bus skidded into the wreckage and toppled into a ravine. Police say 52 people were injured.

Police are guarding New York City sites being used by filmmaker Spike Lee after one store used as a set in his new movie was vandalized and its owner threatened. Police say the owner of a Brookyln store received racial threats and had the windows of his florist shop smashed. Lee is the black writer and director whose controversial 1989 film, ''Do the Right Thing'' dealt with racial tensions in Brooklyn.

Mostly clear skies covered much of the Northeast today, but a cold front was expected to move into the area by the end of the day, creating showers by nightfall. A flash flood warning was in effect for southeast Oklahoma as a line of thunderstorms with heavy rain whipped through the region. Several towns had more than two inches of rain in one hour as the storms moved northeast. Flood warnings and watches were in effect for south central Texas.

#90264u0528 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
LAGOS, NIGERIA (SEPT. 21) UPI - Nigerian officials said Friday that the commander of the West African peacekeeping force in Liberia was replaced following the capture of Liberian President Samuel Doe from the Monrovia headquarters of the 5-nation force.

They said that Maj. Gen. Joshua Dogonyaro, a Nigerian, was appointed in place of the Ghanaian commander, Lt-Gen. Arnold Quainoo.

Quainoo came under fierce criticism when Doe was shot and captured by soldiers belonging rebel leader Prince Johnson's group when Doe came for talks to the force's headquarters two weeks ago. The president was later mutilated and killed.

Ghana's Deputy Foreign Minister, Ibn Chandas, said the incident was ''very embarrassing.''

But the appointment of Dogonyaro seemed to observers in Lagos unlikely to appease the National Patriotic Front of Liberia, led by Johnson's rival Charles Taylor.

Taylor has opposed the role of the West African peacekeeping force in part because of the presence of Nigerian soldiers in the contingent.

Taylor has accused Nigerian President Ibrahim Babangida of giving military and financial support in the past to Doe.

Diplomatic sources in the Nigerian capital said that the appointment of Dogonyaro is likely to herald an increase in the Nigerian contingent and the adoption by the force of a more offensive role.

Earlier this week, Nigeria sent an extra 1,000 troops to Freetown, Sierra Leone, en route to Liberia.

Diplomats said that Nigeria may send up to 20 Alpha light attack aircraft in order to provide air support in the event of further conflict with rebels opposed to the force's deployment. It appeared they might be based in Ghana.

But while the Nigerian government is hardening its posture on the three-cornered Liberian conflict, some Nigerians are urging the government to withdraw Nigerian soldiers from the force which is controlled by the seven nations of the Economic Community of West Africa (Ecowas).

A statement signed by the Nigerian Civil Liberties Organization, the Committee for the Defense of Human Rights, the Nigerian Union of Journalists and the National Association of Nigerian Students protested they were alarmed about

reports that the peace-keepers are engaged in combat on the streets of Monrovia with Taylor's troops.

Herman Cohen, the U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, was in Lagos Wednesday for a meeting with President Babangida. Cohen is on a Liberian fact finding mission in West Africa.

Cohen, who has made contact with both rebel factions in Monrovia said that both groups expressed a willingness to end hostilities and negotiate peace.

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#90264u0538 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

LIBREVILLE, GABON (SEPT. 21) UPI - President Omar Bongo's government, reacting to allegations of widespread fraud, annulled the vote in 62 of 120 constituencies during the first round of Gabon's first multi-party elections and postponed a second round of the contest until October, officials said Friday.

Prime Minister Casimir Oye Mba announced late Thursday that electoral officers had confirmed the election of 58 deputies who won by outright majorities in the first round of the polls held Sunday.

But Oye Mba said the first round would be held again Oct. 21 for the 62 other constituencies were the vote was canceled because of fraud and ballot-box rigging. The second round of the elections, the first since Gabon won independence from France, will be held Oct. 28 instead of next Sunday as originally scheduled.

The ruling Gabonese Democratic Party carried 36 of the 58 confirmed seats in the new National Assembly while the opposition National Reform Party garnered 14 seats, the opposition Gabonese Progress Party took 3, and the Gabon Socialist Party also had three.

Opposition leaders met with the prime minister Thursday evening to decide how to deal with the badly flawed first round of the polls. Oye Mba said the measures decided were agreed unanimously but some opposition leaders said there had been some disagreement.

The government said schools would remain closed until the October elections so that schoolhouses can be used as polling centers and to avoid possible violence near school children during voting.

Political parties will be allowed to present new candidates in the 62 remaining constituencies during the re-run Oct. 21, the prime minister said.

The election was widely seen by African specialists as a crucial step toward establishing multi-party systems in former French colonies of West Africa.

In the most serious incident marring the first round, some 20 people stormed the main polling station at city hall in the capital Libreville.

Among the elections annulled was one at the city of Ntoum, 24 miles east of Libreville, where the prime minister lost his seat.

Political analysts in Libreville said it was unlikely the ruling party would be able to win an absolute majority in the new National Assembly.

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#90264u0556 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold & silver prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close	387.25	up 0.50
Morning fixing	390.10	up 2.85
Hong Kong	389.65	up 4.20
New York		
Comex spot gold open	388.80	off 0.30
Comex spot silver open	4.77	off 0.008

(London morning fixing change is based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90264u0573 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein was shown on Iraqi television last night wearing a field marshal's uniform... at the same time a war-like statement on his behalf was broadcast. It said Iraq will go ahead with its battle of honor against U-S-led forces. .

The statement, described as Saddam's toughest since Iraq invaded Kuwait last month, warned every Iraqi that a battle for the country's honor is looming. Saddam says there is NO chance Iraq will ''retreat in any way or from.'' The message interrupted regular programming.

The Justice Department says Exxon knew that fired Captain Joseph Hazelwood was UNfit for duty long before last year's Alaska oil spill. Court documents say Exxon knew in 1985 that Hazelwood had been commanding tankers in a drunken state.

The United States says it's willing to discuss Philippine proposals on the future of U-S military bases in the island nation. One proposal made in the just-concluded talks calls for the Philippines to take over five bases next year.

Convicted murderer James Hamblen is to die in the Florida electric chair at this hour... for the murder of a Jacksonville lingerie store owner in 1984. The U-S Supreme Court yesterday refused to block the execution.

The accountant for former Lincoln Savings operator Charles Keating testified in court in Los Angeles yesterday that Keating is more than five-Million dollars in debt. A judge is to rule today on a request to reduce Keating's five-Million-dollar bail. Keating has been in jail since Tuesday on fraud charges stemming from the sale of 250-Million dollars of now-worthless bonds.

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BEIRUT, LEBANON (SEPT. 21) UPI - President Elias Hrawi warned Friday he would order a military strike into the Christian enclave unless followers of maverick military leader Gen. Michel Aoun proclaim loyalty to his government.

''A decision to carry out a military operation has already been taken. It's no longer a speculation or media information,'' Hrawi said in a speech broadcast nationwide on radio stations.

The pro-Syrian president made the speech as he signed constitutional reforms contained in a national reconciliation accord worked out last October by the Lebanese parliament in Taif, Saudi Arabia.

Hrawi said the crisis will be resolved ''in a decisive fashion even if a military operation is required,'' hinting that the 20,000 troops loyal to him would launch a wide-scale offensive to topple Aoun.

The rebel general has refused to recognize Hrawi, who was elected president as an outcome of the Taif peace accord. He has also rebuffed the agreement on grounds that it failed to ensure a speedy and complete withdrawal of Syria's 35,000 troops from Lebanon.

Aoun, in a statement to the local media Thursday, said he doubted the Hrawi leadership would launch an offensive against him soon because the pro-Syrian troops lacked the technical capability to carry out such operation.

Hrawi warned that in the event soldiers under Aoun's command failed to shift loyalty to his leadership, ''the government would have to take the difficult decision by resorting to a surgical operation.''

''I will not be a witness to the disappearance of Lebanon,'' Hrawi said in his speech.

Hrawi's pro-Syrian army, led by Gen. Emile Lahoud, was reported to have reinforced positions around Aoun's enclave, amid mounting reports of a planned

imminent offensive against Aoun's 15,000-strong force.

Hrawi said he would form a new government that ''would include all parties,'' a hint to possible participation of Aoun. ''The new government will have the task of dissolving militias and expand legitimate authorities to all Lebanese territories,'' he said.

Aoun was appointed as head of a transitional military government by former President Amin Gemayel Sept. 22, 1988, when the parliament failed to elect a new president.

Since then, the capital has experienced two rounds of heavy fighting sparked by Aoun's attempts to force Syria pull its forces out of Lebanon and to crush the rival 10,000-strong Christian Lebanese Forces militia of Samir Geagea.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - The youngest son of former Romanian dictator Nicolae Ceausescu was convicted of murder today. The charges stem from the government's use of deadly force last year against opponents of his late father's regime. .

A military court in Bucharest announced the verdict against Nicu Ceasescu, and immediately sentenced him to 20 years in prison. Defense lawyers say Ceausescu will appeal the decision.

Actor Corey Feldman posted bail this morning and was released from jail in Van Nuys, California, following his arrest on heroin possession charges. It's his second arrest on drug charges this year. The first came on March 10th.

More violence in Israel. The army says an angry mob of Arab refugees stoned and burned an Israeli reserve soldier to death after his car struck two Palestinian teen-agers in a refugee camp. The incident happened yesterday.

Publisher Robert Rodale of Pennsylvania was killed in a car accident in Moscow yesterday. He was 60. Rodale was in the Soviet Union to set up a Russian-language edition of one of his publications, The New Farmer. .

He was head of Rodale Press, which also published the magazines Prevention, Organic Gardening, Backpacker and Runner's World. The company posted 214-Million dollars in revenues last year.

Police in New York City are guarding locations being used by filmmaker Spike Lee after a store he was using as a set was vandalized. Authorities say the owner of the Floral Fantasy shop received racial threats. The shop is being used in Lee's new film ''Jungle Fever.''

The crime situation in Hong Kong is getting serious. The government says robbers staged a daring daylight raid today on the home of the Hong Kong police commissioner. NO injuries were reported, but unspecified ''personal property'' was stolen.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 20: Purchases of 365,651 shares and sales of 503,954 shares including 57,198 shares sold short.

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#90264u0625 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 21) UPI - A verdict is expected next week in the case of Benigno Aquino, whose assassination in 1983 led to the downfall of Ferdinand Marcos and the rise to power of his widow President Corazon Aquino, court officials said Friday.

Forty people - 36 soldiers and four civilians - are facing charges of double murder for the slayings of Benigno Aquino on his return from three years of self-exile in the United States and of Rolando Galman.

Court clerk Maria Dolores Balajadia said the three-judge anti- corruption court hearing the Aquino case would announce its decision Sept. 28.

Galman was the alleged communist hit man who was gunned down moments after he killed Benigno Aquino, then the nation's foremost opposition leader, with a single bullet to the back of the head at the Manila airport Aug. 21, 1983.

The prosecution contends Galman was a scapegoat put up to the murder by the military in order to eliminate Benigno Aquino, who had said he was returning to the Philippines to persuade Marcos to restore democracy in the Philippines or face a civil war.

The Aquino assasination sparked widespread protests that culminated in a civilian-backed military revolt that ousted Marcos in February 1986 after 20 years in office. Marcos died in exile in Hawaii on Sept. 28, 1989.

After Corazon Aquino became president, the Supreme Court declared the acquittal of 25 soldiers and a civilian by a Marcos-appointed court in 1985 as a mistrial.

A new trial was begun in September 1986 and the list of accused was expanded. It was concluded in June.

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BY ADAM KELLIHER - UPI

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 21) UPI - In a balmy hanger, U.S. mechanics toil over a Huey helicopter that still bears shrapnel holes from Vietnam, America's last large-scale war.

''It's a faithful machine,'' said one engineer, affectionately patting the fuselage of the UH-1H chopper as he worked on installing a new jet engine. ''If the airframe is good, you can keep building from the inside out, and it will keep flying forever.''

The 1966-registered aircraft had steel patches riveted over several panels that had been punched open by ground fire during some long- forgotten mission against Viet Cong guerrillas or the North Vietnamese army.

Engineers said recent maintenance on one Huey had yielded aluminum shims fashioned from crushed Vietnamese beer cans, the relics of an impromptu repair job more than a decade ago in Southeast Asia.

Although Black Hawks are now the Army's main utility helicopter, the deployment of the Hueys to Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield gives cause to remember the circumstances of America's last large-scale military committment.

The Huey became almost a symbol of America's role in Vietnam. The bulbous aircraft often plunged into battles to whisk GIs into and out of thick jungle, rice paddies and firebases.

It was the workhorse chopper that signified American air superiority over the land that could never be pacified, despite the Pentagon's use of virtually every weapon and technique available.

But just as the Huey externally looks the same yet has a completely upgraded interior, the American military in Saudi Arabia in many ways is a different creature than the one that served in Vietnam.

The crucial change is that the force is entirely volunteer, and does not contain draftees reluctantly serving their time. Education requirements are higher.

It is also true that the military has lured many soldiers, sailors and airmen who joined mostly to get a steady job or pay their way through college rather than to fight a war.

Whether time-serving plodders or ambitious careerists, however, dedication is

deeper and there is a reduced propensity for drug-taking and disciplinary problems or of the malaise that arose during the bitter Asian defeat in which more than 50,000 Americans died, officers said.

"They are a lot more disciplined and a lot smarter,'' Lt. Col. Glynn Pope, 45, a Vietnam veteran now commanding a forward unit of the 24th Infantry Division (Mechanized). ''We don't have anyone here who doesn't want to be here.''

Today's U.S. military does not have the same demographic sweep of the drafted force in Vietnam.

The ideal ''national melting pot'' platoon propagated by Hollywood - the decisive white Anglo-Saxon Protestant leader, the intuitive black sniper, the fiery Hispanic machine gunner, and the big brawny Anderson of Swedish descent - has become even more of a myth.

''You don't have a cross-section of America like you did then,'' Lt. Todd Newton, 25, of Corvallis, Ore., said in comparing his company of Marines with those of Vietnam. ''You now have kids more from the Midwest and the South, and kids who live around bases.''

Vietnam was also the last time the Pentagon dispatched thousands of personnel many miles from home on an extended mission, and many prosaic aspects of campaign life have been fogotten.

''We are relearning a lot of lessons that we learned in Vietnam,'' Marine Maj. Gen. John Hopkins said. ''You go along the mess line and see some kid taking five juice cans. You don't take five until everyone else gets four.''

Otherwise, the drive to rid Kuwait of Iraqi troops bears little similarity with Washington's decade-long attempt to shore up the South Vietnamese government.

If the Americans move into Kuwait, they will not be confronted by that most undefeatable weapon, a mobilized and highly motivated citizenry, but should be greeted as liberators.

The phrase ''another Vietnam'' really refers to being bogged down in a politically distasteful and seemingly unwinnable war.

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#90264u0634 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

COLUMBIA, MD (SEPT. 21) UPI - San Antonio Spurs guard David Wingate faces six counts of second-degree rape, sexual contact and assault and battery for allegedly attacking a 17-year-old girl Sunday.

Wingate, a former collegiate star at Georgetown, was arrested Monday and spent

three hours in custody before he was released on $10,000 bond.

Wingate, 26, who was indicted Thursday by a Howard County grand jury, faces up to 20 years in prison if convicted.

He has denied that the alleged victim refused his sexual advances at his apartment during a party also attended by the girl's sister and two other men. The girl said Wingate raped her after she became intoxicated and while she was ill. Wingate said she consented to the sex.

Wingate was in the midst of contract negotiations with the Spurs, but the club halted the talks once the allegations arose.

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#90264u0639 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (SEPT. 21) UPI - Xu Xiangqian, a once out-of-favor soldier who became one of only 10 Chinese communist generals elevated to the exalted rank of Revolutionary Marshal, died Friday at the age of 88.

Xu, who also served as vice premier and defense minister in the 1970s but held little influence recently, died in his sleep of an unspecified illness, state-run national television news reported.

Xu's death came on the eve of the Beijing Asian Games, China's first international sporting spectacle, but Western observers said they doubted it would prompt the kind of spontaneous political outpouring that followed the April 1989 death of former Communist Party chief Hu Yaobang.

The observance of Hu's death grew into the nationwide pro-democracy movement that was crushed in June 1989.

''I doubt it will affect anything,'' one Western diplomat said of Xu's death, noting that Xu had been out of the political limelight through much of the past decade.

Xu's death left Nie Rongzhen as the only living marshal, a title held by the communist luminaries Zhu De and Peng Dehuai as well as Lin Biao, an heir-apparent to chairman Mao Tse-tung who died in a mysterious plane crash in 1971. Xu earned the rank in 1955.

Xu was born in Shanxi province in 1902 and as a youth became fascinated by the revolutionary ideas sweeping China.

He secretly left his family in 1924 to enroll at the Whampoa military academy and in 1927 joined the Chinese Communist Party, for which he worked as an underground activist against the rival Chinese nationalists.

Beginning in 1929, Xu needed less than three years to build a ragtag band of 200 communist guerrillas into the 30,000-strong 4th Area Army, and his star as a Communist Party favorite began to rise.

In mid-1935, Xu's army was forced to evacuate its northern Chinese base but soon merged with other armies making the legendary Long March during which much communist military strategy was forged.

Xu soon fell out of favor, however, due to his association with the 4th Area Army's political commissar, Zhang Guotao, and underwent a period of self-examination and confession in the Yanan revolutionary base.

Xu fell ill with tuberculosis and was sent for treatment to the Soviet Union, where he remained for 10 years. Xu was given a warm welcome on his return to China after the communist revolution in 1949.

He was promoted to the Communist Party Politburo in 1966 during the first phase of China's radical and destructive Cultural Revolution but lost his position to political infighting, only to have it restored in 1977.

An ardent leftist who believed in the politicization of the army, Xu published an article in the flagship People's Daily in 1977 titled, ''Always uphold the principle that the party commands the gun.''

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#90264u0641 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

COLOMBO, SRI LANKA (SEPT. 21) UPI - Authorities slapped an indefinite curfew on the troubled northern Jaffna peninsula Friday as continued fighting throughout the country left at least 39 Tamil militants dead, a senior military official said.

The curfew was imposed to help security forces battle the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, a powerful Tamil separatist group fighting to establish an independent homeland for the nation's minority Tamil population, the official said.

In one attack Thursday evening in the Vasavilan and Kattuwan areas of the northern Jaffna peninsula, military helicopters bombed rebel bunkers, killing at least 30 guerrillas, the official said.

Security forces killed three other rebels Thursday as they attempted to escape from the island of Mandaithivu in a boat, the official said.

In a separate incident in the eastern district of Batticaloa, about 135 miles east of Colombo, three rebels were killed when they clashed with security forces, the official said. No further details were immediately available.

At least 2,600 soldiers, rebels and civilians have been killed since fighting erupted in mid-June when the Tigers staged simultaneous attacks on four military installations in the eastern part of the country.

Although the government has claimed victories in the eastern province, the military has encountered stiff resistance in the north where the Tigers are in control.

The rebels kept a 17th century Dutch fort under seige from the time that fighting broke out until Sept. 13, when security forces battled their way into the military installation to relieve about 200 troops who had been trapped.

Despite a massive military offensive in the area, the government has failed to crush the rebels.

The Tigers have been fighting since 1983 to establish an independent Tamil homeland in the north and east of the country. But the situation had remained relatively quiet for a year before the latest outbreak of warfare.

The minority Tamils, who are mostly Hindu, insist that a separate state is necessary because of years of alleged discrimination by the majority Sinhalese who are predominantly Buddhist and control the Colombo government.

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#90264u0648 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

OTTAWA (SEPT. 21) UPI - Canada's Parliament, a bizarre conglomeration of Quebec separatists, right-wing reformists and ruling Conservatives, resumes work Monday amid a growing feeling that no one is in charge of the country anymore.

''We probably have the most unstable political environment I can remember,'' Roger Gibbins, a political scientist at the University of Calgary in western Canada, said in an interview Friday.

Gibbins said a lack of national leadership, notably the refusal of Conservative Prime Minister Brian Mulroney to play any decisive role in several major crisis confronting the country, has thrust Canada's political system into ''total confusion.''

''The public,'' he said, ''is looking on in bewilderment, dismay and anger at that state of confusion.''

Mulroney all but disappeared from the political scene in June after the collapse of the so-called Meech Lake accord, a constitutional amendment that would keep Quebec in Canada by granting it special powers to promote its French language and culture.

The accord required the consent of all provinces before June 23, but failed when Newfoundland and Manitoba refused to vote on it before the deadline.

The failure of Mulroney's key initiative, one in which he had a huge personal and political stake - Quebec has been one of the most solid supporters of the Conservative Party in the last two elections - was a huge blow.

Since then, Mulroney has reeled from one crisis to another, unable to arrest his Conservative Party's loss of public support and unable to avoid personal questions surrounding his health.

Recent opinion polls gave the Conservatives just 14 percent support, far behind the opposition Liberals and left-wing New Democratic Party. But Canadians apparently aren't happy with those alternatives either. More than one-third of those polled said none of the three parties should be running the government.

During the summer, Mulroney allowed a minor land dispute involving Quebec Mohawks to run out of control before conceding to the province's request to send in soldiers.

His government has done virtually nothing to arrest the country's slide toward a recession that some economists claim will be harder on Canadians than the last one in the early 1980s. In an effort to curb inflation, the government allowed interest rates to increase far beyond those in the United States.

The proposed seven percent Goods and Services Tax, another key plank of the Conservative administration, is in trouble in the Upper Chamber of Parliament, where the Liberal majority has promised to challenge it, and may not be implemented as planned next Jan. 1. Eighty-five percent of Canadians oppose such a tax.

In an effort to avert its defeat, Mulroney began filling vacancies in the appointed Senate with Conservative Party supporters. He outraged Canadians earlier this month by naming to the Senate former Newfoundland Premier John Buchanan, who is currently under police investigation for possible acceptance of kickbacks and misuse of public funds.

Some political observers believe the appointment reflected Mulroney's complete disillusionment with political life while signalling his intention to retire before the next federal election.

Meanwhile, Mulroney's efforts to improve his government's popularity by introducing a new agenda will be restricted by the presence of new parties in Parliament with broad regional support.

The Reform Party, which favors radical economic reforms, the creation of an American-styled Senate and referendums on all key policies is the most popular

political force in Alberta, traditionally a Conservative stronghold, and second to the Liberals across the three prairie provinces. The party hopes to field candidates across the country in the next election.

The Bloc Quebecois, which has nine members in the elected House of Commons - most of them were former Conservatives and Liberals who formed their own group when the Meech Lake Accord failed - has promised to use Parliament to fight for Quebec's separation from Canada. The BQ is enormously popular among nationalist Quebecers who favor such a split.

Nor can the Conservative government ignore the rise of the New Democratic Party which swept to victory in Ontario's provincial election earlier this month.

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#90264u0662 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - Japanese officials say weeks of intense closed-door meetings have produced NO deal between the Tokyo government and major parties on whether to send troops to the Persian Gulf. Prime Minister Kaifu wants to send NON-combat personnel to the gulf. But politicians worry about violating Japan's constitution, which renounces the use of force as a means of settling international disputes.

Convicted killer James Hamblen died in Florida's electric chair this morning after the U-S Supreme Court rejected a last-ditch appeal. Hamblen pleaded guilty in the 1984 slaying of a lingerie store owner during a robbery in Jacksonville. His execution was stayed this summer while courts considered whether Florida's electric chair was malfunctioning.

A military court has convicted Niku Ceausescu, the youngest son of Romania's former dictator, of murder charges. A Bucharest tribunal sentenced the 39-year-old Ceausescu to 20 years in prison on charges stemming from the use of deadly force against opponents of his late father's regime.

The United Bank of Philadelphia has received charter approval from the state, paving the way for the winter opening of the black-controlled commercial bank. The bank's organizers have raised more than half of the five-Million-dollar capital requirement. There are currently 36 black- controlled commercial banks in the United States.

Former President Reagan had a private audience with Pope John Paul at the papal summer palace outside Rome yesterday. The Vatican says Reagan and his wife, Nancy, spoke with the pontiff for about 30 minutes. Officials say that the pope ended the audience with the words, ''God Bless America.''

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#90264u0672 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

EAST BERLIN (SEPT. 21) UPI - Twenty-four prisoners staged a protest on the roof of an East Berlin prison Friday, saying they will only come down if a general amnesty is granted on Oct. 3 German unification, officials said.

The inmates said they wanted an amnesty because many sentences handed down under the communist government ousted last fall were unnecessarily harsh and should be reviewed.

''We are guilty, but criminal offense and penalty must correspond,'' said Peter Trenn, one of the mutineers at East Berlin's Rummelsburg prison told the East German news agency ADN.

The 24 inmates said they were acting in solidarity with four prisoners who have been staging a sit-in since Wednesday just below the roof at the Brandenburg prison, just outside Berlin.

Interior Minister Peter Michael Diestel, of East germany's Christian Democratic Union, and Manfred Stolpe of the opposition Social Democratic Party visited the four prisoners Thursday.

''We demand a re-examination of our sentences,'' the three convicted murderers and one arsonist said in a statement.

''We don't want to blackmail anybody, but we see no other possibility than to take this action to illustrate our problem,'' the statement said.

The prisoners had threatened to commit suicide by jumping off the building's roof if their demands were not met within 24 hours, but dropped the threat early Friday.

A third prison revolt by 12 inmates in the small East German town of Graefentonna ended a few hours after it began Thursday. The mutineers left the roof of the building after prison authorities promised to convey their demands to Diestel.

A number of East Berlin prisoners have also asked for guarantees that they will not be transferred to West Berlin prisons, saying they fear they may catch AIDS there.

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#90264u0676 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - The Israeli Army says an mob of Arab refugees stoned and burned to death an Israeli reserve soldier after his car hit two Palestinian youths. Army officials say the soldier drove into the refugee camp by mistake yesterday. Palestinian sources say the two Arab youths were injured when the soldier's car hit their donkey cart.

South Korean officials have arrested two Colombians and nine Koreans for allegedly smuggling cocaine and emeralds worth Millions of dollars into Seoul. Investigators are searching for another Colombian, two Koreans and two more Asians. Police say the Colombians are trying to organize a drug ring in Korea.

Researchers say education programs on the health dangers of cholestrol are working. The number of Americans aware of their cholesterol level has tripled from 1987 to 1989. The federal Centers for Disease Control says the general population is heeding warnings to check their levels of the artery-clogging substance.

Two sisters gave birth to boys 15 minutes apart at a Lithia Springs, Georgia, hospital yesterday. With some 25 relatives cheering them on from a waiting room, Karen Addison gave birth to her son, Jeffery Scott, who tipped the scale at seven pounds, eight ounces. Her sister Carla Strickland followed suit 15 minutes later giving birth to seven-pound, 11-ounce son Travis Ryan.

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HOLLYWOOD (SEPT. 21) UPI - In a stealthy, early morning protest over the deployment of U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia, a group of artists Friday altered the landmark HOLLYWOOD sign to read ''OIL WAR.''

''We did it to bring attention to the potential war situation in the Middle East,'' said a spokesman for Artists for Social Responsibility who would only identify himself as ''Danny.''

Danny said 10 group members took about three hours to alter the sign, using harnesses to climb the letters. Witnesses said police pulled down the sheeting that had been draped over the 50-foot letters before 6 a.m.

''This is what we do - we do envirnmental art,'' Danny said.

The group claims to have altered the sign several times before in reaction to current events.

They commemorated the decriminalization of marijuana with ''HOLLYWEED,'' the trial of Oliver North with ''OLLYWOOD,'' and the visit of Pope John Paul II to Los Angeles with HOLY WOOD,'' Danny said.

But their latest effort was not meant have the humor of the other signs.

''We seriously believe we should be spending money on alternate energy sources becoming more energy self-sufficient rather than going to war so we can have cheap oil that does nothing but pollute the environment,'' he said.

If only one person sees the sign, Danny said, he hoped it would be George Bush during his stopover to campaign for Sen. Pete Wilson.

The president left town Wednesday morning.

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BANGKOK, THAILAND (SEPT. 21) UPI - Cambodian resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk offered a key concession Friday to resolve differences that deadlocked a Cambodian council meeting and threatened efforts to end the 11-year conflict in Cambodia.

Sihanouk, in a statement issued from Beijing, said he was willing to allow the Vietnamese-installed government of Prime Minster Hun Sen to take an extra seat on a joint ''Supreme National Council'' if the government agreed to let Sihanouk join as council chairman and additional member.

This concession appeared to fulfill demands Hun Sen that any formula for Sihanouk's becoming chairman should not give the three-party resistance more seats on the council than the government.

Currently both sides have six representatives on the council, which is intended to be the symbol of Cambodian sovereignty and the key to a U.N. peace plan.

In a news conference in Bangkok Wednesday, Hun Sen said he would accept Sihanouk as an additional council member if his side also got a seventh.

It was not immediately clear whether the Khmer Rouge, the most powerful of the three resistance groups, would go along with Sihanouk's concession.

Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Samphan earlier said the next step should be the rapid convening of an international conference on Cambodia to work out the details of the peace plan which includes turning over major powers to an interim U.N. authority.

Sihanouk said he offered the concession ''not because of any personal ambitions I may have,'' but to avoid the wrath of the international community which has worked for a settlement and to keep his people from giving up hope for peace.

Thursday night, Phnom Penh radio reported that Hun Sen had sent a telegram to the U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar and the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council describing the failure of the SNC meeting to name a joint U.N. delegation.

''I would like your excellencies to kindly invite the SNC members to

participate in the present session of the U.N. General Assembly in order to solve at least one urgent and primordial question,'' Hun Sen said in a text of the telegram read on the radio.

The move appeared to be an effort to give the Vietnamese- installed government of Cambodia representation at the United Nations for the first time despite the impasse over the SNC chairmanship.

The tripartite resistance has held onto Cambodia's U.N. seat despite the Vietnamese invasion that ousted the leading resistance group - the Khmer Rouge - from power in January 1979, after it had butchered more than 1 million Cambodians.

The council was formally established and held its first meeting in Bangkok on Monday. It was scheduled to name a joint delegation to the United Nations, but after three days of talks, the meeting collapsed without agreement on the chairmanship.

Son Sann, the president of the Khmer People's National Liberation Front, and a member of the council, said in a statement released Friday that he has formally asked Thailand to provide the venue for another council meeting in Bangkok.

The statement said Son Sann ''calls on all the other members of the SNC to support this request, to put aside their difference, to think only of the supreme interests of the Cambodian Nation.''

Thai government spokesman Suvit Yodmanee said Thailand welcomed Sihanouk's concession, but would agree to host a new meeting only if all parties gave assurances of progress.

''It' s a Cambodian issue really. But if they can agree on that format, it would be good and constructive,'' he said.

He said Thailand would wait to hear from all factions before deciding on Son Sann's request.

''We must be confident that they unanimously agree to request us to hold the meeting, and then we will host it at once,'' he said.

Kraisak Choonhavan, son and key advisor of Thai Prime Minister Chatichai, said Thailand would like to see the next meeting in the terms of a signing ceremony for an agreement worked out in advance.

Kraisak, criticized for playing too large a role in this week's council meeting, said Thailand would be wary of getting involved in any further Cambodian negotiations.

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#90264u0728 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
PAINESVILLE, OH (SEPT. 21) UPI - A judge Friday sentenced religious cult leader Jeffrey Don Lundgren to death for killing a five-member family belonging to his cult.

Common Pleas Judge Martin Parks, in issuing the sentence, followed the recommendation of a Lake County jury. The other option was life in prison.

Defense lawyer Charles Grieshammer pleaded Thursday for the judge to spare Lundgren's life, saying the Independence, Mo., native believed he was following God's will when he the Dennis Avery family, which included children ages 15, 13 and 6, to death.

Lundgren, 40, a one-time lay minister in the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, was convicted Aug. 29 of aggravated murder for the 1989 killings.

The murders were committed in April 1989 but the bodies were not uncovered in a Kirtland barn east of Cleveland until Jan. 3-4, after a member of Lundgren's former cult went to authorities in Kansas City.

The cult had broken up in December - after moving to near Davis, W.Va., and later Chilhowee, Mo. - and 13 former cult members were arrested near San Diego Independence, Mo., and Bay City, Mich.

Grieshammer said the Reorganized Church, which Lundgren broke away from to start his cult, is based on the belief that the second coming of Christ is near, and he said there is a belief there will be a prophet to lead the church.

''You ended up with a man who felt he was the final prophet,'' Grieshammer said. ''Jeffrey Lundgren and his followers went over the edge. Jeffrey Lundgren lost touch with reality. There is no doubt about it.''

Grieshammer said he was not trying to say Lundgren was innocent by reason of insanity.

''The penalty we are asking for is a horrible penalty,'' Grieshammer said. ''To send Jeffrey Lundgren to prison for the rest of his life, to reside in an 8-by-10-foot cell, that is a horrible punishment. It is the second most horrible punishment we have but it is what Jeffrey Lundgren deserves.''

Lake County Prosecutor Stephen LaTourette said Lundgren killed the Avery family because Dennis Avery, the father, was lazy and his children were unruly.

''Believing you are a prophet of God or even being a prophet of God is no excuse for murder,'' LaTourette said. ''The evidence has shown that Jeffrey

Lundgren didn't believe he was doing God's will but rather he was doing his own will.

''Not only is he no prophet. He is a false prophet, a liar. He has pulled the wool over the eyes of many good people,'' the prosecutor said.

Also facing a possible death penalty is Jeffrey Lundgren's 19-year- old son, Damon Lundgren. He was convicted of four counts of aggravated murder Tuesday.

Two other cult members, Ronald Luff and Daniel Kraft, are awaiting trial on the same charges.

Lundgren's wife, Alice, was convicted Aug. 1 of 15 lesser charges and has been sentenced to life in prison.

Five cult members pleaded guilty and agreed to testify.

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#90264u0734 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein last night issued what may be his toughest statement since Iraqi tanks invaded Kuwait on August 2nd. In the statement, which interrupted regular programming on Iraqi television, Saddam warned Iraqis that a battle for the country's honor is looming. He criticized Arab efforts to bring peace to the Persian Gulf, saying there is NO chance his country would retreat. .

In Paris, the French Foreign Ministry says Iraq is expelling 11 diplomats from the French Embassy in Baghdad. The move is in retaliation for the expulsion of an equal number of Iraqi diplomats from France. French President Francois Mitterrand announced the expulsion of the Iraqi diplomats last week. They are to be put on a flight to Amman, Jordan.

The Japanese government is working on a plan to send Japanese troops to the Persian Gulf, without violating the country's so-called ''peace constitution.'' The constitution, written after Japan's defeat in World War Two, renounces the use of force as a means of settling international disputes. Japan has pledged four-BILLION dollars in Gulf aid, but is feeling pressure to send people as well as money. .

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu leaves in one week for the United States and talks with President Bush.

The Justice Department filed court documents yesterday in Anchorage, Alaska, that make some strong allegations against Exxon. The documents charge Exxon knew in 1985 that fired Captain Joseph Hazelwood had been routinely commanding tankers in a drunken state since 1982. Hazelwood was the skipper of the Exxon Valdez super-tanker that caused the Alaska oil spill in March 1989.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - Florida executed another death row inmate this morning. 61-year-old James Hamblen died in the electric chair at the Florida State Prison in Starke... for the 1984 murder of a lingerie shop owner during a robbery. Hamblen is the 24th person executed in Florida since the Supreme Court lifted the ban on capital punishment in 1976. The Supreme Court last night refused to block the execution.

American magazine publisher Robert Rodale was killed in a traffic accident in Moscow, along with a Soviet publishing official, an interpreter and a driver. The accident occurred yesterday as Rodale and the three others were in a van on their way to the airport. A witness says a bus apparently crossed the center line of a highway and hit the publishers' van. Rodale was in Moscow setting up a Soviet edition of the magazine, New Farmer. .

In Moscow today, Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin was involved in an auto accident on his way to work, but was NOT seriously hurt. A spokesman for the Russian Parliament says a small vehicle hit the door of Yeltsin's official sedan in the accident along Gorky Street. The Soviet news agency Tass says Yeltsin ''did NOT suffer any serious injuries.''

Police in Sicily say a suspected Mafia hit squad ambushed and shot to death a prominent local magistrate today. The victim was involved in prosecuting Mafia cases in Agrigento, a market town near the southern coast of Sicily. Police say the shooting took place as the magistrate drove from his home to his office in southern Sicily.

Forecasters today spotted the 12th tropical depression of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season. It's in the far eastern Atlantic, centered about 575 miles west-southwest of the Cape Verde Islands... and is moving west at nearly nine miles an hour. Maximum sustained winds are nearly 35 miles an hour. The 11th tropical depression of the season was 725 miles east of the Leeward Islands in the West Indies, moving northwest.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - Following are mid-morning prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	60 5-8	up	1-4
AT&T Company	30 5-8	up	1-8
BCE Inc	31 1-4	up	1-4
Bell Atlantic	45 3-4	up	1-4
BellSouth Corp	52	up	1-2

Exxon Corp	51 3-8	up	1-4
Ford Motor Co	33 1-2	off	1-4
Genl Electric	56	up	7-8
General Motors	36 1-2	off	3-8
GTE Corp	25 1-4	up	1-8
IBM Corp	107 1-4	off	5-8
Mobil Oil Corp	66 1-4	up	1-2
Nynex Corp	70 1-4	off	1-4
Pac Gas & Elec	20 3-4	up	1-8
Pacific Telesis	42 1-8	up	3-8
Phila Electric	15 1-8	unch	
Sears Roebuck	26 5-8	up	1-4
Southern Co	23 5-8	up	1-8
Sthwestern Bell	49	up	3-4
US West Inc	33 3-4	off	3-8

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-91.75 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.40- 2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 130.65-135.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 45.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.00- $459.00; dealer-approx., $459.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 277.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 21) UPI - Mangosuthu Buthelezi, leader of the Zulu movement Inkatha and chief minister of the Zulu homeland, conditionally agreed Friday to peace talks next month with Nelson Mandela and the African National Congress.

Buthelezi, in a lengthy statement from the capital of the self- governing Zulu territory in strife-torn Natal province, said he would accept the ANC's invitation, announced Thursday night, for an Oct. 5 meeting, assuming, he said that the ANC's ''intentions were genuine.''

''In these delicate times in which so much is at stake, I will leave no stone unturned which could lead to the dimunition and, hopefully, to the cessation of violence,'' said Buthelezi, 62.

In an invitation that circumvented opposition to a direct meeting between Mandela and the Inkatha leader, the ANC's National Executive Committee Thursday asked Buthelezi to attend a meeting of all the leaders of South Africa's nominally independent black homelands.

Senior ANC leaders have consistently objected to direct talks between Mandela and Buthelezi, fearing such a summit would give unwarranted political leverage to the leader of the rival Zulu movement.

Thursday's diplomatic sidestepping did not escape Buthelezi, who noted he would have to ''explore'' whether this represented ''a continuing deliberately strategized attempt to deny me my prime political identity as president of Inkatha Freedom Party.''

But it appeared he ultimately would agree to meet Mandela within the context of a homeland leaders' summit ''if I find that the intentions were genuine.''

''But I will certainly go as president of Inkatha,'' Buthelezi said.

Supporters of the ANC and Inkatha, ideologically at odds since the 1970s, have

fought a long battle in the Indian Ocean province of Natal. More than 4,000 people have died in the province since 1987. The conflict spread to black townships surrounding Johannesburg early last month.

In the ensuing urban violence - the worst in the country's history - more than 750 people were killed.

Since the eruption of violence around Johannesburg, the ANC had accused Inkatha of plotting the mayhem with the help of elements in the state security forces in a bid to increase its political leverage in upcoming power-sharing negotiations.

The government forged ahead with its controversial security measures intended to crush the fighting Thursday, encircling Zulu migrant worker hostels with razor wire and announcing the imposition of a 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. curfew starting next Tuesday in five black townships, including Soweto.

The measures are part of Operation Iron Fist, which was announced by police last Saturday and endorsed by President Frederik de Klerk and his Cabinet Wednesday. Since last weekend, only scattered incidents of violence have been reported and few deaths.

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#90264u0777 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

EAST BERLIN (SEPT. 21) UPI - About 3,000 people in the small East German city of Potsdam have dropped out of the Protestant church in the last two weeks to avoid paying church tax, a West Berlin daily reported Friday.

East Germans are deserting the church, which was a major force behind the peaceful revolution last fall, in fear of a West German church tax that will go into effect after the Oct. 3 unification, the Berliner Morgenpost said.

''It is a catastrophe,'' said Martina Suske, director of the Potsdam registrar's office, where people can get the necessary forms to drop out of the church.

''I would say that 3,000 people have left the church in Potsdam in the last 14 days. These people act as if they cannot get out of church quick enough,'' she said.

Unlike the United States, where church and state are strictly separated, West German churches are financed through a state tax of up to 9 percent based on individual income.

In East Germany, the churches used to take fairly low fees from their members directly.

After German unification, West German tax laws will also apply to what is still East Germany, including the church levy. Many East German church-goers fear they will have to pay far more than they did in the past.

Church officials said they were disappointed because the church had played a major role in ousting the Communist government last year, offering shelter and support to dissidents and protesters.

''The churches are empty again,'' said Christoph Teltschow, Superintendent of an East Berlin church district.

The church will have to readjust and find a new role in society, now that it is no longer needed as a safe haven for political dissidents, he said.

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#90264u0806 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (SEPT. 21) UPI - The 12th tropical depression of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season formed Friday off the coast of Africa, while another system continued on a northwesterly track across the ocean.

At 6 a.m. EDT, tropical depression No. 12 was centered near latitude 13.2 north, longitude 33.4 west, or about 575 miles west southwest of the Cape Verde Islands.

The depression was moving toward the west near 9 mph, with that motion expected to continue for the next 24 hours. Forecasters at the Hurricane Center said they expect the system to turn toward the northwest during the next 48 hours.

Maximum sustained winds were near 35 mph and some increase in strength was likely during the next 24 hours.

The other tropical depression was centered at latitude 18.1 north, longitude 50.3 west, or about 725 miles east of the Leeward Islands. It was moving northwest near 5 mph and that motion was expected to continue for the next 12 hours.

Its winds have held near 35 mph over the past 48 hours and little strengthening was anticipated during the next 24 hours.

If its circulating winds reach 39 mph, it would become Tropical Storm Josephine, the 10th named storm of the 1990 Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season.

Four storms - Bertha, Diana, Gustav and Isidore - have developed into hurricanes with winds of more than 74 mph so far this season. But none caused significant damage to land. The hurricane season runs June 1 to Nov. 30.

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#90264u0810 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 21) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Geneva Steel (4th Q 8-31)	
$130,059,000	$142,550,000
$10,313,000 (.69)	$15,691,000 (1.27)
Hunt Mfg Co (3rd Q 9-2)	
$59,668,000	$54,051,000
$3,045,000 (.19)	$5,146,000 (.32)
Midwest Commun (4th Q 6-30)	
$48,100,000	$46,900,000
d-$2,093,000	$293,000 (.10)
d-Deficit.	
National Data (1st Q 8-31)	
$61,599,000	$75,341,000
$2,066,000 (.18)	$6,459,000 (.55)
Sands Regent (4th Q 6-30)	
$10,642,000	$8,507,000
$1,708,000 (.51)	$1,238,000 (.37)

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#90264u0819 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
BUCHAREST, ROMANIA (SEPT. 21) UPI - A military court Friday convicted Nicu Ceausescu, the youngest son of former dictator Nicolae Ceausescu, of murder charges stemming from the use of deadly force against anti- government protesters during Romania's December uprising.

Ceausescu, 39, sat impassively as a judge read the verdict and immediately sentenced him to 20 years imprisonment. Once a playboy and gambler who lived in high style while his father was in power, he now suffers from a liver disease and appeared pale and gaunt in the courtroom.

The military tribunal in Bucharest also banned Ceausescu from public office for 10 years after his prison term ends and ordered him to pay the equivalent of $260 in court costs.

There were angry murmurs in the courtroom when the judge said Ceausescu would be given back his personal possessions, trappings of his wealthy lifestyle

that were confiscated after his father was overthrown Dec. 22.

Defense lawyer Paula Jacob said Ceausescu would appeal.

''I'm convinced he's an innocent man,'' she said. ''I am confident he will win the appeal.''

Ceausescu was accused of ordering security troops to fire on anti- government demonstrators during the December uprising in Sibiu, where he was Communist Party boss. About 90 people died during the clashes in Sibiu, the scene of some of bloodiest fighting in the revolution.

The original charge of genocide was later downgraded to ''aggravated murder,'' which could have brought a maximum penalty of life imprisonment. The death penalty was outlawed in Romania following the firing squad executions of Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife, Elena, on Christmas Day.

The youngest and reportedly favorite son of the dictator was released from prison at the end of his trial Aug. 23 because of poor health. He is said to suffer from a severe form of cirrhosis of the liver.

During the trial, Ceausescu admitted telling security officials in Sibiu to use force against protesters, but said he made the remark while drunk and later retracted it.

Jacob maintained Ceausescu had a falling out with his father in the last years of his rule and tried to persuade the elder Ceausescu to soften his hard-line policies.

Disagreements between father and son ultimately resulted in Nicu's transfer to Sibiu, 100 miles west of Bucharest, she told the court in July.

''(In the) last years, he told his parents the cold and hunger can't go on, but close advisers assured them things weren't so bad,'' Jacob said.

Once regarded as one of the most hated men in Romania, Nicu Ceausescu enjoyed a surge in popular sympathy in late summer, in part because of his dramatic testimony in his own defense in the early days of the trial and partly because of newspaper stories about his illness.

A number of other Ceausescu family members are still awaiting trial, including Nicu's sister, Zoia, and adopted older brother, Valentin, who face charges stemming from their alleged misuse of state property during their father's 25-year rule. Both have been released from prison pending trial.

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#90264u0827 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NORFOLK, VA (SEPT. 21) UPI - A sailor who said he fled the Navy because he feared the nuclear-powered submarine USS Finback was unsafe has been arrested by agents with the Naval Investigative Service.

Petty Officer 2nd Class Jason Jensen, 23, who the service listed as a deserter was in custody Friday at Norfolk Naval Base. The machinist's mate from Las Vegas left the service in June, saying he was worried about the potential for an accident involving the Finback's reactor or other equipment.

Jensen and several other sailors allege personnel training records and water purity checks related to the Finback's steam plant were falsified. Navy officials have acknowledged job qualification cards for eight sailors were falsely certified and are investigating the allegations.

Spokesmen for the Navy's Atlantic Fleet Submarine Force have denied the problems jeopardized the safety of the submarine and its crew, which is based in Norfolk.

NIS agents arrested Jensen Thursday at a local motel. He told reporters he had spent the past few months in the Midwest and Canada, hiding for a time in Vancouver, British Columbia, with members of the environmental group Greenpeace.

He said he had returned to Norfolk with the intention of surrendering.

''I only regret the decision in that I didn't stay and fight,'' Jensen told The Virginian-Pilot of Norfolk. ''Beforehand I didn't have the moral strength or the drive to stand up to (the alleged improprieties) when they happened.''

The sailor said he expects to undergo court-martial proceedings but hopes he will be charged with no more than unauthorized absence. If convicted of such a charge, he could face time in prison, loss of rank and pay, and a dishonorable discharge.

Lt. Cmdr. Dave Morris, a spokesman for the Atlantic Fleet Submarine Force, said charges were pending. Jensen could face a court-martial or a less severe type of punishment, known as a captain's mast, he said.

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#90264u0829 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (SEPT. 21) UPI - A plan to promote equality among India's social and religious castes by reserving federal jobs for the underprivileged has sparked a rebellion by higher classes, including a rampage by students in a state capital Monday.

Students in Chandigarh, 135 miles north of New Delhi, torched government vehicles and hurled stones at police in a wave of violence that led officials

to clamp an army-enforced curfew on part of the city.

At one point during the protests, police who were attacked by stone-throwing youths opened fire on demonstrators with live ammunition and wounded at least 11 people, including eight policemen trapped in the line of fire, authorities said.

The outburst came as part of a continuing protest throughout much of the country over the government's decision to reserve 27 percent of all federal jobs for the so-called backward classes.

High-caste youths oppose the program because it will restrict their ability to enter government service. They also claim it will enshrine the caste system in law, increase government inefficiency by ignoring merit and fail to improve the social condition of the underprivileged.

Proponents of job reservation say it will give lower-caste citizens, who represent about 54 percent of India's 830 million people, a better opportunity to obtain government jobs, which traditionally have been dominated by the upper castes.

Protests were reported across the northern part of the country, from the far eastern state of Assam, where stone-throwing youths clashed with baton-wielding policemen, to western Rajasthan, where authorities shut down schools because of the demonstrations.

In New Delhi, thousands of high-caste students blocked traffic to oppose the job reservation scheme and to protest alleged brutality by police, who have used batons and tear gas to disperse demonstrators in recent days.

Tensions have been high in the capital since Wednesday, when two students doused themselves with kerosene and set themselves ablaze in a protest over the job reservation scheme. On Thursday, angry students damaged nearly two dozen vehicles.

Members of the New Delhi branch of the Hindu-chauvinist Bharatiya Janata Party also accused the police of brutality Friday and announced they would begin a revolt against the minority National Front government of Prime Minister V.P. Singh.

A small band of protesters waved party flags, chanted anti-government slogans and squatted in the street, blocking traffic near the Parliament building for about 45 minutes.

The Singh administration governs with the support of the national branch of the Bharatiya Janata Party, and a spreading revolt within the organization could threaten to bring down the government.

Also Friday, the Supreme Court declined to issue a stay of the government's decision to implement the job reservation scheme despite the violent protests that have erupted. But the court hinted the government should voluntarily put the plan on hold.

''When the matter is pending judicial decision, the government should modulate its action taking into consideration the prevailing situation,'' the Press Trust quoted the Supreme Court as saying.

Under Hinduism's complex caste system, followers are born into different levels of society, the lowest of which are restricted to the most menial jobs.

The plan would not affect the harijans, or untouchables, who are at the bottom of the caste system. Since the 1950's, 22.5 percent of all government jobs have been reserved for the harijans and for some tribal peoples.

Much like American affirmative action programs, the job reservation system was created to make up for years of discrimination and oppression of certain groups.

The largest outburst of violence Friday came in Chandigarh, which serves as the capital of both Punjab and Haryana states. Protesters fought pitched battles in a dozen places around the city.

About 3,000 demonstrators torched an official vehicle and tried to hijack another near the main government office building. Police tried to disperse the crowd with batons and tear gas, but were attacked by stone-throwing youths.

Police then opened fire with live ammunition. At least 11 people were wounded by the gunfire, including eight policemen trapped in the line of fire.

Police also fired tear gas and rubber bullets to disperse a crowd of about 3,000 demonstrators who surrounded the government- run hotel Shivalik and tried to set it ablaze.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein appeared on state- run television in a field marshal's uniform, as a statement in his behalf was broadcast to the nation. In the statement, Saddam rips Arab efforts to bring peace to the Persian Gulf region and says his nation will prevail against what he termed the ''evil dwarfs'' arrayed against it because of the invasion of Kuwait.

The Saddam statement broadcast today warns his countrymen that a battle for the nation's honor looms. Some analysts are calling the statement the toughest since Saddam's forces invaded Kuwait on August 2nd. Saddam was shown late

yesterday chairing government meetings in Baghdad. The statement told Iraqis NOT to worry about the outcome of any clash with the forces massing in Saudi Arabia because God is behind the Iraqi army.

The United States says it is willing to discuss the Philippine proposal to take over four smaller bases at the same time as the sprawling Clark Air Base when the U-S leases expire in September 1991. The Philippine negotiators at basing talks in Manila also offered to discuss a longer-term phase-out of the U-S presence at the huge Subic Bay Naval Station. The four days of talks in the second round of negotiations ended today.

Lebanon's president says he will order a military strike to oust maverick military General Michel Aoun. Pro-Syrian President Elias Hrawi hinted in a nation-wide radio broadcast that the 20-thousand troops loyal to him would launch a wide-scale offensive to topple Aoun. The rebel general has refused to recognize Hrawi, who was elected president as part of a peace accord.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
BNH Bancshares	Q	.06	10-15	10-3
BeauticntrlCosmet	Q	.05	10-12	9-28
DCNY Corp	Q	.10	10-16	10-2
Excel Industries	Q	.10	10-22	10-5
Imperial Holly	Q	.10	10-9	10-1
Natl Service Indus	Q	.23 1/2	10-10	10-1
Shared Medical Sys	Q	.21	10-15	9-30
SCOR US Corp	Q	.05	10-5	9-28
Wiley (J) Sons cl-A	Q	.27 1/2	10-11	10-3
Wiley (J) Sons cl-B	Q	.24 1/2	10-11	10-3

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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WARSAW (SEPT. 21) UPI - In a move unimaginable just a few years ago, the Polish government may send a small contingent of soldiers to join the U.S.-led multinational forces in the Persian Gulf region, a newspaper reported Friday.

Polish and American officials have held confidential talks, and the Polish government is considering the possibility of sending troops to the gulf as a gesture of support, the independent daily Zycie Warszawy said.

Such a troop deployment would be significant because never before has a Warsaw Pact nation sent military personnel to join a Western-led military operation.

The soldiers would act within the framework of multinational forces overseeing the military blockade of Iraq, Zycie Warszawy reported, quoting ''sources close the American State Department and Defense Department.''

Polish government spokeswoman Malgorzata Niezabitowska, when asked about the report at her weekly news conference, declined to discuss the matter. ''I dont have anything to say this moment,'' she said.

The news of a possible Polish troop deployment came one day after the official Polish news agency PAP reported about a short visit by the head of U.S. military intelligence, Gen. Harry E. Soyster.

According to PAP, Soyster had talks with the Polish armed forces general staff and visited two units, including the 6th Airborne Brigade, based in the north of Poland.

Poland has backed the United Nations resolutions and sanctions against Iraq following its Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait. Almost all 900 Polish nationals have been evacuated from Kuwait, but some 2,000 Polish workers still remain in Iraq.

Niezabitowska said Poland is seeking the compensation ''within the international solidarity of nations'' for damages it suffered because of joining the sanctions. The government estimates Poland's losses at $2.5 billion.

Polish citizens have been enduring tough economic reforms as their nation makes a transition from a state-controlled economy to a free- market system. The sanctions against Iraq have cut off Poland from a major oil supply source.

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#90264u0849 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

BONN (SEPT. 21) UPI - The U.S. Air Force will join Germany in celebrating unification on Oct. 3 because freedom and democracy is part of the American way of life, the Air Force's European commander said Friday.

''We are very proud of the fact that American service members and civilian employees who have served and are currently serving in the European theater are in no small measure responsible for the demise of the cold war and the unification of Germany,'' said U.S. Air Force Europe Chief of Staff Maj. Gen. Bruce J. Lotzbire.

He said that Gen. Robert C. Oaks, the Air Force European Commander in Chief, has told commanders to give their staff the day off because ''this unification

is truly a celebration of freedom and democracy - a way of life so near and dear to the American heart.''

''The U.S. air forces in Europe will join Germany in celebrating its unification Oct. 3,'' an Air Force statement said.

Officials said that on Oct. 3, the air force will only carry out flight missions essential to ''Operation Desert Shield,'' the military activities in the Persian Gulf and exercises within the Western military alliance NATO.

The U.S. Air Force has about 92,700 servicemen stationed in Europe.

Major unification celebrations will be held in Berlin, where fireworks, church bells and speeches will mark the historic day.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 21) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Friday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4- 1.03 1/4.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery higher; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 80-83; large 76-82; medium 58-64.

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OMAHA (SEPT. 21) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves None.

Hogs 1,400; butchers active, 1.25-1.50 higher; No 1-3 220-270 lb 58.00-58.50, numerous 230-260 lb 58.50; sows under 500 lb steady to 50 higher, over 500 lb1.00-1.50 lower with clearance incomplete; No 1-3 350-500 lb 47.00- 47.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 48.00-48.50.

Sheep None.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - The stock market was slightly higher at midday Friday in trading that was heavy at the opening and had since slowed, but was

expected to surge near the close because of the expirations of futures and options.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which sank 39.11 Thursday, was up 4.95 to 2523.27 at noon EDT.

Advances and declines were even at 674 each among the 1,879 issues crossing the New York Stock Exchange tape.

Volume amounted to about 105,000,000 shares at noon, compared with 145,100,000 in the same period Thursday, but about 57 million shares changed hands during the first half-hour of trading.

The quarterly "triple-witching hour" expirations of stock-index futures, options, and options on individual stocks typically boost volume at the opening and close of trading, when the various instruments expire and investors offset those positions with trades in the stock market itself.

Futures and options expire every month, but the quarterly expirations generate much more volume since the Standard & Poor's 500 stock index futures, which account for almost 80 percent of all index futures volume, expire at that time.

September futures on the S&P 500 along with other futures and options, were settled at the opening and futures on the Major Market Index, as well as other September contracts, will expire at the close.

Analysts said there are signs that the expirations at the close will generate more buying than selling, just as those at the opening did. In fact, they said the expiration-related buying probably saved the market from declines which they said could have been sparked by a rise in oil prices because of escalating tensions in the Middle East.

In early trading, November oil futures were up $1.42 a barrel to $34.84 after Iraq sent 18 Western diplomats packing Friday in a tit-for-tat response to Europe's expulsion of Iraqis, and warned there will be no retreat until the conflict reaches an "honorable end."

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had donned a military uniform and appeared on Iraqi television late Thursday while a statement broadcast on his behalf lashed out at Arab efforts to bring peace to the gulf.

The statement, described by analysts as the toughest from Saddam since he invaded Kuwait seven weeks ago, warned Iraqis that a battle was looming and that it would be a fight to liberate Jerusalem.

On the trading floor, Pepsico was the most active issue, down 1/2 to 22 1/4. General Electric followed, up one to 56 1/8. Exxon was third, up 1/4 to 51 3/8 as oil prices surged.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T was up 1/2 to 31, IBM was up 1/8 to 107 7/8, Merck was up 1/4 to 76, and General Motors was down 3/8 to 36 1/2.

Prices were lower in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. Hillhaven led the Amex issues, off 1/8 to 1 3/8.

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#90264u0868 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (SEPT. 21) UPI - Stocks rebounded slightly Friday in moderate trading on the London International Stock Exchange, buoyed by bargain hunting in blue chip stocks.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which plummeted 48.9 points Thursday to its lowest level in 17 months, rebounded 8.6 points at 2,025.5. The narrower top 30 industrial average gained 6.2 points at 1,537.3.

The FT-100 index fell below the psychologically-important 2,000 point barrier early in the day, but managed to claw its way back on the strength of buyers in blue chip stocks at lower levels. Volume amounted to around 553 million shares compared with 518 million shares changing hands on Thursday.

Activity in the futures markets indicated investor confidence that a turnaround in shares may be upcoming in the medium-term. On the local economic front, news that Britain's gross domestic product showed a rise of 0.3 percent from the first quarter, had little impact on the market.

Secondary stocks continued to suffer from the after-shocks of Thursday's 49 point drop, especially property and construction firms, which have seen widespread poor performance reports issued recently.

Leisure group Brent Walker saw its share prices recover slightly after an early slump caused by fears of a fallout between the group and Grand Metropolitan, co-owners of bookmaking operators William Hill.

The dispute is over compensation Brent Walker claims it is due because of low profits at William Hill.

But, Brent Walker issued a statement saying it expects a profit report due out next week to show growth, and the stock eased 36 cents to $2.07.

Cookson rebounded 26 cents to $1.23 after plunging 65 cents a share on Thursday.

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#90264u0895 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - A statement broadcast today on Iraqi television for President Saddam Hussein told Iraqis to prepare for a battle that- in his words- ''will be for the liberation of mankind.'' Saddam said there was NO way Iraq would back down from the United States and Arab states backing the U-S forces in the Persian Gulf. .

A group of artists today altered California's landmark ''Hollywood'' sign to read ''Oil War'' in a protest over the deployment of U-S troops to Saudi Arabia. A spokesman for Artists for Social Responsibility says the action was a bid to ''bring attention to the potential war situation in the Middle East.''

East German officials say two dozen prisoners at an East Berlin jail are protesting on the roof of the facility. The inmates say they won't come down until they are guranteed a general amnesty will be granted upon the October 3rd unification with West Germany. The prisoners claim that sentences handed down under the former communist leadership were unnecessarily harsh.

A judge in Painesville, Ohio, today sentenced religious cult leader Jeffrey Don Lundgren to death for killing a five-member family belonging to his cult. The 40-year-old Lundgren was convicted in August in the 1989 murders of the Dennis Avery family, which included three children aged 15, 13 and six.

Convicted killer James William Hamblen was smiling and sticking out his tongue this morning as he was strapped into the electric chair at the Florida State Prison in Starke. Hamblen was declared dead 12 minutes later. He was executed for the 1984 murder of a Jacksonville lingerie shop owner during a robbery.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 21) UPI - An Ohio company closed this week by the U.S. Customs Service for alleged links to the Iraqi military had been under investigation for more than a year, it was reported Friday.

The Cleveland Plain Dealer newspaper said federal investigators were aware of Solon, Ohio-based Matrix Churchill Corp.'s links to Iraq for more than a year, but their hands were tied until Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, and President Bush's subsequent order freezing Iraqi assets in the United States.

Matrix Churchill, a subsidiary of a British company controlled by the Iraqi government, was closed Monday by the U.S. Customs Service.

Federal authorities said Matrix Churchill was a central U.S. component in an array of linked companies throughout the West, a network run by a handful of Iraqis working for Saddam Hussein's son-in-law.

The same day federal agents seized Matrix Churchill, the British government expelled 23 Iraqis from the country, including an executive with links to

Matrix Churchill's parent company.

The newspaper said in both cases, governments began cracking down on problems that had long troubled their national security experts, even though they have been unable to accuse anyone of breaking any laws.

Abdul Qaddumi, Matrix Churchill's secretary and a Jordanian-born American, said the company had done nothing illegal.

Pentagon officials and national security experts said the United States and its allies have for years been preoccupied with the task of cracking down on the exports of weapons or arms parts, while ignoring, for the most part, the legal sales of high-technology parts such as Matrix Churchill's machine tools.

The company's machine tools, which can shape metal within an accuracy of 10 one-thousandths of an inch, can play an important part in manufacturing a wide variety of items - from auto parts to missile parts.

In the United States, such ''dual-use'' technology enjoys a free flow even to potential enemies, because the Commerce Department has approved otherwise questionable licenses for companies whose products appear to have commercial applications.

Officials told The Plain Dealer the practice continues, often over the objections of the government's national security experts, and overlooks the fact that leaders such as Iraq's Saddam Hussein increasingly have tried to purchase not simply bomb parts but machines to make the machines that make the bombs.

During the last five years, the Commerce Department has granted 486 licenses for exports of sensitive U.S. technology to Iraq, worth some $720 million.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) UPI - Patients who cannot take standard treatments for certain AIDS-related infections will be given easier access to an experimental drug, a drug company said Friday.

Astra Pharmaceutical Products Inc., the Westborough, Mass. subsidiary of Sweden's A.B. Astra, said it will provide the drug foscarnet free to people infected with the AIDS virus who are not helped by or cannot tolerate existing drugs for herpes and cytomegalovirus infections.

Currently, the standard treatment for cytomegalovirus infections, which can threaten sight, damage the brain or cause fatal pneumonia, is ganciclovir. However, that drug should not be taken along with AZT, the only government-approved drug to directly fight the acquired immune deficiency

syndrome virus, because they both suppress production of white blood cells.

The major side effects of foscarnet, which is administered intravenously, are kidney toxicity, mild anemia and changes in blood calcium levels, the company said.

Herpes infections are generally treated with a drug called acyclovir. However, some patients who develop resistance to the drug may be helped by foscarnet, which has the brand name Foscavir.

To qualify for the expanded distribution plan, patients must also be unable to take part in more traditional tests that the Food and Drug Administration requires for drug approval, company officials said. Doctors of patients who may be eligible for foscarnet should call Astra at 1-800-388-4148.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - The youngest and favorite son of former Romanian dictator Nicolae Ceausescu was convicted of murder charges today by a military court in Bucharest. 39-year-old reputed playboy Nicu Ceausescu was immediately sentenced to 20 years in prison. He's accused of ordering the use of deadly force against opponents of his father's regime.

Poet Thomas McGrath... one of several literary figures blacklisted during the 1950's communist witchhunt... is dead after a long illness. McGrath died yesterday in Minneapolis at the age of 73. The North Dakota native who was the state's first Rhodes scholar was shunned after refusing to testify before a government committee looking into domestic communism.

One of China's two remaining Revolutionary Marshals died today in his sleep at the age of 88. Xu Xiangquian was once an out-of-favor soldier who became one of only 10 Chinese communist generals elevated to the rank of Revolutionary Marshal. Xu also served as the nation's vice premier and defense minister during the 1970's.

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MANCHESTER, NH (SEPT. 21) UPI - Officials of BankEast Corp. said Friday they may be forced to seek bankruptcy court protection from creditors who are demanding immediate payment of $13 million in debentures.

But they reassured depositors that the dispute will not affect the holding company's banking, mortage or trust subsidiaries.

Senior Vice President David Blake said negotiations with Phoenix Mutual Insurance Co. of Hartford, Conn., and John Alden Life Insurance Co. of Miami

are continuing to avert a bankruptcy filing.

''We've been in technical default on the agreement since the end of last year when our capital ratios fell below those required (by the creditors),'' Blake said. ''We've made every interest payment on schedule and principal payments don't begin until 1992.''

State Banking Commissioner Roland Roberge said he was aware of the BankEast dispute, but he declined comment on it.

The two insurance companies hold $13 million in subordinated debentures. Blake said they accelerated the maturity of the debt to, in effect, demand immediate payment in full.

''If they persist in their demands we may seek U.S. Bankruptcy Court protection, but we don't see that as a likely possibilty,'' he said, noting that the two insurance companies would be classified as unsecured creditors in any bankruptcy proceeding.

Blake said the dispute does not affect BankEast despositors or other customers.

''This is a holding company issue,'' he said. ''It is not a bank issue or a mortgage company or trust company issue.''

BankEast Corp. is New Hampshire's eighth-largest bank holding company with assets of $1 billion.

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PARIS (SEPT. 21) UPI - A strike by garbagemen in the French capital left Paris Mayor Jacques Chirac steaming Friday as the city was forced to resort to emergency measures and trash haulers blocked access to incinerators. "This strike is not only illegal but also condemnable because it has taken on a completely inadmissable form," Chirac said.

Strikers are "not content to leave their vehicles in the garage but have also blocked access to three incinerators and two transfer stations" used to store garbage until it is burned.

The strike since Sept. 18 in 14 of the city's 20 districts has sidewalks crowded with barrels and the odor of waste wafting across the City of Light as the haulers, led by the Communist-dominated General Confederation of Labor, press their demands for more wage increases.

The protest involves 90 percent of the 600 drivers and loaders that haul trash in Paris. A 24-day strike by garbage men in May forced the city to increase pay by $30 a month.

Chirac announced that in nine districts the city is providing free plastic garbage bags, while in others containers have been installed for trash disposal.

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#90264u0980 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (SEPT. 21) UPI - The international watchdog group Amnesty International Friday protested the Sept. 13 execution of 27 soldiers by the Nigerian government, branding the convictions too speedy, suspect and shrouded in secrecy.

The London-based human rights group said it was concerned that the convictions following secret trials before a government-controlled tribunal, would not stand up to public scrutiny.

The prisoners were executed for allegedly taking part in a failed coup attempt in April against the military government of President Ibrahim Babangida.

''They had no right of appeal and were executed the day afterthe court's verdicts were submitted to the government for approval,'' Amnesty said.

The speed at which the government reviewed the convictions suggests that a thorough examination of the court records did not take place, Amnesty officials added.

The prisoners were not given a chance to appeal and the public not made aware of their death sentences until two days after their executions, Amnesty alleged.

The special military court, presided over by an army officer who was a member of the government, sentenced 29 people to death but the date of conviction and sentencing was not made clear in the official announcement on September 15.

No independent observers were allowed into the trials and consequently no detailed assessment of the fairness or defects of the trial was available, Amnesty stated.

Defendants were not allowed to choose their own defense counsel, who were military officers and employees of the government. Amnesty officials said it was not clear if the accused had sufficient time to prepare their defense properly.

The 27 executions came less two months after the execution of 42 others also convicted of involvement in the same coup attempt. This brings the total of executions connected with the coup attempt to 69.

Both the July and September executions took place immediately after the Armed Forces Ruling Council rejected petitions for clemency and confirmed the death sentences, Amnesty said.

In a related move, the British government announced Thursday that it had formally protested to Nigeria over the executions of the 27 soldiers and about Nigeria's apparently pro-Iraqi stance in recent weeks.

Lynda Chalker, Britain's prime minister of state, has cancelled a planned visit to the country in early October, British officials said.

A spokesman for the British High Commission in Lagos stressed that many of the 27 soldiers executed had been sentenced as a result of a re- trial and that at the first hearing they had been acquitted and discharged.

But, Britain was also angered at the treatment given by the Nigerian government to visiting envoys from Iraq and Kuwait. President Babangida met with a special envoy of Saddam Hussein last Friday, the same day that Iraqi troops were forcing their way into western Embassies in Kuwait.

A Nigerian government statement failed to label Iraq as the aggressor in the invasion of Kuwait and made no mention of the violation of diplomatic premises or the holding of western hostages, the high commission complained.

A visit by the Kuwaiti minister for information was given little prominence by the government, although President Babangida did re-affirm Nigeria's committment to United Nations sanctions against Iraq.

Reliable diplomatic sources in Lagos also confirmed that the West German government has withdrawn an invitation made to Babangida to visit Germany later this year.

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#90264u1011 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (SEPT. 21) UPI - In a major crackdown on ethnic Albanians, Serbian authorities in Yugoslavia's southern Kosovo province have arrested six ethnic Albanian government members on suspicion of plotting against the state, a Kosovo court said Friday.

The district court in Pristina, the Kosovo provincial capital 200 miles south of Belgrade, said the Kosovo District Attorney ''opened criminal proceedings against former officials'' who had been ousted by Serbia's communist rulers for disobedience.

Police in Pristina arrested the six members of the former Kosovo provincial government: Prime Minister Jusuf Zejnulahu, Interior Minister Jusuf Karakushi, Traffic Minister Seljadin Skeja, Science and Culture Minister Muhamet Bicaj,

Labor and Health Minister Lek Vuksami, and Cabinet member Isa Mustava. Also arrested was Agim Malja, the dismissed manager of the closed Albanian-language Pristina Radio and Television Station, the court said.

In its statement, the Pristina court said the seven men were placed under investigation on suspicion of ''forming a group aimed at changing in an anti-constitutional way the borders of Serbia and declaring Kosovo a republic.''

The District Attorney suspects the seven formed a group to plot ''hostile activities'' against Yugoslavia and endanger its territorial integrity.

On July 2, a majority of the ethnic Albanian members of the Kosovo provincial assembly signed a declaration pronouncing Kosovo independent from the Serbian republic, the largest of Yugoslavia's six states.

On July 5, Serbia's leadership in Belgrade suspended the predominantly ethnic Albanian provincial administration, dissolving its assembly and the government and taking complete control of the Kosovo administration.

On Sept. 13, the majority ethnic Albanian members of the dissolved Kosovo provincial asembly announced the adoption at a secret meeting in a Kosovo village of a constitution for their self-proclaimed republic of Kosovo.

Earlier in September, about 150,000 ethnic Albanians staged a one-day strike protesting alleged human rights violations by Serbias authorities.

In Serbia's clean-up campaign, more than 16,000 ethnic Albanians, including 2,000 police, have been laid off for refusing to work under the Serbian rule or participating in the strike, officials of the Kosovo independent trade unions have said.

Serbian police carried out search for illegal weapons and ammunition hidden by ethnic Albanians in mid-September when four villagers were killed and many injured in gun battles with police in Kosovo province, where 1.75 million ethnic Albanians outnumber 250,000 Serbs who account for 8.5 million and make up nearly 40 percent of Yugoslavia's 23 million people.

Kosovo is cherished by Serbs as the cradle of their culture and Christian Orthodox religion. Serbs and Moslem ethnic Albanians in Kosovo have accused each other of mistreatment and persecution for decades, and periodically ethnic violence has errupted.

Earlier this year, at least 32 ethnic Albanians were killed and more than 300 injured in clashes with Serbian police in Kosovo.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - Iraq is again escalating tension on the diplomatic and propaganda fronts in the Persian Gulf standoff. Baghdad today expelled 18 Western diplomats in a tit-for-tat response to Europe's expulsion of Iraqi envoys. Iraqi President Saddam appeared on Iraqi television in military uniform and a statement read in his behalf said Baghdad won't retreat. He warned Iraqis to prepare for war. It was his toughest statement since he invaded Kuwait.

The Philippines today ended four days of talks on U-S bases in the country, saying it wants to take over four smaller facilities along with Clark Air Base when their leases expire next year. A U-S spokesman says there were NO agreements reached, but Washington is willing to discuss the proposals. U-S basing rights in the Philippines will end with the September 1991 expiration of a 1947 pact.

The leader of an religious cult was sentenced to death today in a Painesville, Ohio, court for the 1989 slayings of a family that belonged to his group. Jeffrey Don Lundgren reportedly believed he was following God's will when he killed the five members of the Dennis Avery family... including three children. Two other cult members also are awaiting trial on murder charges.

An indefinite curfew is in effect for Sri Lanka's troubled northern Jaffna peninsula. A senior military official says authorities slapped the curfew on the area today because of fighting that continues to rage throughout the country. The clashes have left at least 39 Tamil militants dead. The rebels are fighting to establish an independent homeland for Sri Lanka's minority Tamil population.

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#90264u1042 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - Canada's Parliament goes back to work on Monday in what one political scientist calls probably ''the most unstable political environment'' in some time. Roger Gibbins of the University of Calgary says a lack of national leadership has thrust Canada's political system into ''total confusion.'' He cited growing public anger over the refusal of Conservative Prime Minister Brian Mulroney to play any decisive role in several major crises confronting the country.

Cartoon character Bart Simpson continues to pop up just about everywhere. This time the mischievous, spike-haired Bart appeared in a Madison, Wisconsin, court where a 41-year-old man let the character do his talking. Bob Eaton was accused yesterday of jumping bail and driving with a revoked license. Eaton entered his plea by pointing at his T- shirt, which depicts Bart saying, ''I didn't do it. Nobody saw me do it. You can't prove anything.''

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 21) UPI - A dispute over jurisdiction between two local government bodies has closed one of the two Pizza Hut restaurants that opened with great fanfare 10 days ago, a restaurant spokesman said Friday.

''We apologize to our customers for the temporary closure by the Soviet authorities of our restaurant,'' said a sign posted on the door of the flagship Moscow Pizza Hut on Kutuzovsky Prospect about a mile from the Kremlin.

Andrew Rafalat, the deputy general director of the joint venture running the Soviet Pizza Huts, said the restaurant was closed by officials from the Kievsky regional council in a jursidiction dispute with the Moscow city council.

Rafalat said he could not disclose the specific reason given for the shutdown, which was ordered with just an hour's notice Thursday. He said he hoped to reopen Tuesday next week.

''It's more of an internal issue on the Soviet side,'' Rafalat said. ''Its a difference of jurisdiction that they are resolving. We are keeping the restaurant closed until they can get it straightened out.''

There have been increasing numbers of disputes about jurisdiction over business in the Soviet Union as the country moves toward major economic reforms - from the Russian republic claiming the central government has no right to export raw materials from its territory to local issues including the Pizza Hut.

Western businessmen have complained in recent months they often do not know who is in charge amid the disputes between the central government and the republics, between the republics and autonomous regions and cities and between cities and city districts.

''This is part of our familiarization with the Moscow marketplace,'' Rafalat said with a laugh.

The location of the Pizza Hut falls under the jurisdiction of the Moscow city council, which is the Soviet partner with Pizza Hut owner Pepsico in the joint venture, but it also is within the smaller Kievsky region that has its own council seeking to exert control.

The sign on the door suggested that ''while we resolve our issues'' customers go to the second Pizza Hut in a different region of Moscow, which was not affected by the shutdown.

The takeout window at the Kutuzovsky restaurant was selling pizza Friday to use up dough and other ingredients that had already been prepared, but Rafalat

said that was allowed so the closure did not result in a waste of food.

Since its grand opening Sept 12, the now-closed Pizza Hut has had three- to five-hour lines of Moscow residents waiting for tables in the section of the restaurant where meals can be purchased for rubles. A separate hard currency section catering to foreigners has also done good business but there has generally been no wait for a table.

Rafalat said the restaurant has been serving ''several thousand'' customers each day and the reviews from the Soviet diners have been generally good.

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#90264u1084 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 21) UPI - Mormon Church President Ezra Taft Benson continued to improve Friday following brain surgery to remove two blood clots, church officials said.

The 91-year-old spiritual leader to the world's 7.5 million Mormons was in serious but stable condition two days after the surgery ''and will remain for at least another day (in intensive care),'' church spokesman Don LeFevre said.

Following the 2 1/2-hour operation Wednesday at LDS Hospital, neurosurgeon Bruce Sorensen had said Benson would probably remain in the intensive care unit for two days and could be sent home ''in seven to eight days.''

''President Benson was conversing more today with the hospital staff, those who are working with him, and the doctors are pleased with his progress,'' said LeFevre.

Sorensen said the doctors found two large blood clots, one on either side of Benson's head, that had been causing his severe headaches and difficulty in swallowing. One was drained off through a small hole drilled in the right side of his skull, but a ''solid clot'' on the left side required doctors to cut ''a fist-sized hole'' in Benson's skull.

The agriculture secretary in the Eisenhower administration was hospitalized Tuesday. He was the first Mormon to serve in a presidential cabinet and the first clergyman in 100 years to serve in such a post.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) UPI - Prince Bandar bin Sultan, the Saudi Arabian ambassador to the United States, said Friday he did not foresee a confrontation over an arms sales package with the United States, but did not rule out purchasing weapons elsewhere to meet his country's military needs.

Bandar also indicated that the proposed arms to help Saudi Arabia to bolster its forces against the threat of an invasion by Iraq could be split into two sales - one covering weapons needed immediately, the other for needs farther in the future.

The Saudi ambassador cautioned reporters not to place ''too much emphasis on this package,'' saying that negotiations on the sale of sophisticated arms to Saudi Arabia was an ''unrolling thing.''

President Bush met with congressional leaders Friday to discuss the status of the U.S. operation in the Persian Gulf and House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri said there was passing mention of the arms sale, adding Bush did not mention cutting the package.

''The administration will consider what they actually want and then we will deal with it in the proper course,'' Gephardt said. ''I think an arms sale to Saudi Arabia is appropriate. It's a question of how much and what kind of things.''

White House deputy press secretary Roman Popadiuk said the administration had hoped to send a proposed Saudi arms package to Congress Friday, but that it had not yet reached a decision on the size or scope.

Popadiuk declined to predict when the package would be ready, but said Bush told House and Senate leaders ''that congressional support for friends is as important as congressional support for Desert Shield.''

''The president pointed out that we cannot pledge support for Saudi Arabia while we deny it the means to defend itself,'' the deputy press secretary said.

Initial reports that the administration was considering an arms sale of over $20 billion - including highly sophisticated weapons systems - drew opposition from some quarters on Capitol Hill and from Israel. Since then there has been speculation that the proposed sale would be reduced.

Bandar, speaking to reporters after a two-hour breakfast meeting with the Senate Intelligence Committee, tried to dismiss talk of any fight between his country and the United States on the sale of arms.

''I have heard a lot of the $20 billion package and $25 billion package and that it will be scaled down,'' Bandar said. ''The truth of the matter is there is not a single package there.

''There is requirements for my country ... and we will come up with whatever is appropriate for priorities, for what we now need and what could be done later,'' he said. ''It's very important you don't put too much emphasis on this package.

''We are not having an AWACSs fight here or an F-15 fight,'' the ambassador said. ''That is not the case, nor is it the spirit this package is being dicussed in the administration or the Congress,'' Bandar said. ''I didn't sense that confrontation there.''

Bandar added, ''I realy believe people are reading much more into this package that we Saudis. There are requirements for my country, for our armed forces, that will be fulfilled.

''We would always prefer to fulfill it in the United States. These weapons are not toys. They cost billions of dollars. We would prefer to recycle those billions of dollars into the United States - one, because you are a friend and two, because you make the best equipment in the world, and three, it's only fair due to enegry prices and other things,'' Bandar said.

Bandar rejected fears that a massive arms sale would destabilize the delicate situation in the Middle East, adding that AWACS and the F-15s obtained only after bitter protests were never used to upset the balance.

Sen. David Boren, D-Okla., said the arms sale was not a major topic at the breakfast, adding, ''I hope we won't allow ourselves to be stampeded into some kind of fight.''

Boren said Congress will have to make sure that the weapons contained in any sale ''are not destabilizing'' and see ''if all these items are necessary.''

But Boren said both Saudi Arabia and Israel were approaching the arms sale in a different, more restrained manner than previously.

Boren said that Moshe Arens, Israel's defense minister with whom he met earlier in the week, did not have a ''totally negative attitude'' on the proposed sale. Israel is seeking increased military sales to offset the proposed purchased by Saudi Arabia.

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#90264u1170 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - Iraq today answered Europe's decision to kick out several Iraqi envoys. Baghdad sent 18 Western diplomats packing... including three Britons, 11 French and four Italians. British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd says he believes that the remaining staff in Baghdad will be able to carry on with the duties of the Embassy. A French official describes the action as ''totally abusive.''

The leader of South Africa's Zulu movement Inkatha today conditionally agreed to peace talks next month with Nelson Mandela and the African National Congress. Mangosuthu Buthelezi says he will meet with the A-N-C on October 5th only if the A-N-C's ''intentions are genuine.'' The talks are aimed at ending

black violence that has left 750 people dead since early August.

The strain of the Persian Gulf crisis prompted the Philippine government today to raise the price of gasoline and other petroleum products by an average of 29 percent. Transport drivers say they will stage strikes next week to protest the hikes. That led to a warning from President Corazan Aquino that- quote- ''The government is NOT powerless to resist these threats of disorderly acts.''

A Christian Broadcasting Network technician could face as much as 30 years in prison and hundreds of thousands of dollars in fines for interrupting soft-porn channels with religious messages. A federal jury in Norfolk, Virginia, listened to closing arguments today in Thomas Haynie's trial for satellite piracy. Haynie's lawyer claims that the prosecution failed to prove his client was responsible.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close

Sept. 20, 1990

Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	433.86	off 10.69	off 3.06
Growth & Income	684.24	off 9.73	off 2.12
Balanced	449.24	off 9.39	off 1.54
Average Fund Performances:			
Capital Appreciation (145)		off 11.01	off 2.52
Growth (261)		off 10.10	off 2.72
Small Co. Growth (82)		off 13.47	off 3.03
Growth & Income (200)		off 8.95	off 2.08
Equity Income (66)		off 9.96	off 1.71
Average 754 Equity		off 10.34	off 2.45
Health/Biotech (9)		up 6.03	off 2.46
Natural Resources (19)		up 1.88	up 0.01
Environmental (5)		off 11.70	off 4.33
Science & Technology (23)		off 10.58	off 3.41
Specialty/Misc (31)		off 11.27	off 2.62
Utility (15)		off 8.86	off 0.46
Financial Services (10)		off 20.64	off 3.90
Real Estate (6)		off 15.82	off 3.19
Option Income (10)		off 8.31	off 1.95
Global (41)		off 10.44	off 3.79

International (55)		off	11.00	off 4.74
European Region (17)		off	4.80	off 4.76
Pacific Region (18)		off	15.95	off 5.11
Gold Oriented (34)		off	15.45	up 0.32
Average All Equity (1042)		off	10.35	off 2.59
Flexible Portfolio (46)		off	5.58	off 1.59
Global Flexible Port (11)		off	5.23	off 1.46
Balanced (60)		off	5.20	off 1.30
Convertible Security (29)		off	7.15	off 1.79
Mixed Income (14)		off	3.49	off 0.71
Income (4)		off	5.84	off 1.10
World Income (44)		up	7.09	off 0.15
Fixed Income (535)		up	1.14	off 0.44
Average 1790 Funds		off	5.99	off 1.78
Median 1790 Funds		off	6.09	off 1.50
Unmanaged Market Indicators:				
DJ Industrial	2,518.32	off	8.53	off 2.49
S&P 500	311.48	off	11.86	off 2.25
S&P 400	367.62	off	8.89	off 2.46
NYSE Composite	171.22	off	12.21	off 2.25
Amex	317.18	off	16.09	off 1.50

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)

Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - In the Philippines, 40 people- including 36 soldiers and four civilians- are facing double murder charges in the 1983 slayings of opposition leader Benigno Aquino and his alleged hit man. Court officials say a verdict is expected next week in the case. Aquino was gunned down at Manila airport as he returned from self-exile in the United States. His assassination led to the downfall of dictator Ferdinand Marcos and the rise to power of Aquino's widow, President Corazon Aquino.

A small bakery in Fort Smith, Arkansas, has been using the same electric mixer every day since shortly after World War One. Now Andre Soucy, owner of Von Hatten's bakery, is reluctantly parting with his 71- year-old Hobart mixer... after winning a new one from Hobart Corporation. The old mixer, purchased in 1919 for 138 dollars, will go on display at Hobart's corporate offices and will be featured in trade shows throughout the nation.

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#90264u1251 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

SOFIA, BULGARIA (SEPT. 21) UPI - Prime Minister Andrei Loukanov, saying unnamed forces were trying to destabilize the country and spark civil war, vowed Friday to unveil a 100-day emergency program of radical economic reform next month.

Loukanov's pledge to the National Assembly came hours after the Parliament confirmed his new one-party Cabinet and on the eve of a critical Socialist Party congress, at which pro-Loukanov moderates are expected to consolidate their control of the revamped Communist Party.

''The government has been receiving information that actions are being prepared to destabilize the situation in Bulgaria,'' the prime minister said in a speech.

''There are forces in the country who take advantage of every manifestation of public discontent to implement their scenario for deepening the confrontation, for destabilizing the country and for a civil war,'' he said.

Loukanov offered no details, but said the seriousness of the situation demanded that his government ''take over its responsibility right away.'' He said he would submit to the Parliament by Oct. 9 a 100- day plan to stabilize the economy through deep reforms.

The Parliament approved Loukanov's list of Cabinet nominees after a stormy late-night debate that ended early Friday. Only 219 of the 400 deputies cast ballots, as the entire caucus of opposition Union of Democratic Forces boycotted the vote.

Loukanov said he was forced to name only Socialist Party members to his cabinet because the opposition parties refused his invitation to join in a coalition government.

Stoyan Ganev, spokesman for the UDF, said the opposition umbrella group had insisted on control of key ministries and the acceptance of opposition views on economic reform as conditions for joining a Socialist-led coalition. The UDF also insisted that the government include no discredited political figures from the Communist Party's totalitarian past.

The Socialists' 39th Party Congress, which opens Saturday in Sofia, is seen as a chance for Loukanov and other moderates to oust old-guard Communists who were linked to former dictator Todor Zhivkov.

The congress takes place against a backdrop of a severe economic crisis in the country and deep divisions within the party.

Although the Socialists won a majorty in the parliament in the June elections - Bulgaria's first free balloting in almost half a century - the party's

leadership now finds itself under pressure from the democratic opposition, conservative forces within the party and ultra- right wing groups in society.

Moderates say they hope to use the congress to complete the transition of the BSP into a Western-style social democratic party.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) UPI - Syndicated columnist Jack Anderson was hit on the head with a pipe and robbed of about $100 by a mugger in an alley just moments after he left his office, a spokeswoman said Friday.

Spokeswoman Opal Ginn said Anderson, 67, left his office about 4:30 p.m. Thursday and headed down the alley to get to his car when a man in his 20s approached him, said ''Good Afternoon Sir,'' then hit him on the back of the head. The man then demanded all his money.

''Jack gave him about $100 from his pocket and said the man raised the pipe as if to strike him again when a woman began to scream,'' Ginn said.

Anderson returned to his office after the attack, and Ginn phoned police.

''I dialed 911 and the police put me on hold. I held for approximately five minutes, then I'd say it took about 15 minutes before the police arrived. By that time the man could've walked across the river,'' Ginn said.

Ginn said Anderson refused hospital treatment and his son drove him home.

''No skin was broken,'' she said. ''He had no blurred vision or broken skin, just a large bump on his head.''

She said Anderson, who has been a columnist for four decades, moved to his office on P Street about three years ago.

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#90264u1302 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

RENO, NV (SEPT. 21) UPI - Attempts by a U.S. Bankruptcy trustee to reopen Nevada's largest brothel to make money for Uncle Sam have failed and the bordello remained closed Friday.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge James Thompson Friday took Joe Conforte's Mustang Ranch in Storey County near Reno, Nev., out of the hands of the court-appointed trustee and gave the Internal Revenue Service the responsibility of deciding how to collect millions of dollars in back taxes.

It was not immediately clear what the IRS intended to do. IRS manager Diedre

Pagni in Reno said the assets of Conforte were protected by the federal Bankruptcy court.

Trustee Jeri Coppa had proposed reopening the brothel immediately to increase the chances of its sale by the government. However, she ran into a myriad of legal roadblocks, including the lengthy process of obtaining a Storey County brothel license.

The Mustang Ranch was closed Tuesday when the court placed the bordello in Chapter 7 bankruptcy at the request of the IRS - normally the first step toward liquidation.

Conforte operated the 105-room bawdy house under the protection of Chapter 11 bankruptcy for the past four years. But the IRS said Conforte failed to make $75,000 a month payments on back taxes and the agency moved to foreclose on the property through Chapter 7 proceedings.

Coppa said Friday, following a closed hearing in the judge's chambers, that she faced a problem in keeping the legal prostitutes at the brothel unless it could be reopened immediately. Coppa expressed concern about insurance, personal liability and the fact there was no operating capital. Coppa said the till at the brothel was empty when she took over and that she suspected that up to $7,000 was missing.

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#90264u1349 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - Analysts are calling today's statement by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein the toughest yet. Hussein warned Iraqis that war is looming and that it would be a fight to liberate Jerusalem. Baghdad today expelled 18 Western diplomats in response to Europe's expulsion of Iraqi diplomats earlier this week. .

Iranian President Rafsanjani says his country is willing to help bring peace to the Persian Gulf. But Rafsanjani says he will accept nothing less than the complete withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait. Tehran's official news agency quotes Rafsanjani as saying Iran condemns the Iraqi invasion and is NOT seeking to increase its oil revenues through the crisis.

The Philippine and U-S governments today ended a round of talks on the future of American military bases. The Philippines says it wants to take over four smaller facilities along with Clark Air Base when their leases expire next year. U-S basing rights in the Philippines end in September 1991 according to a pact made in 1947.

Cult leader Jeffrey Don Lundgren has been sentenced to death for killing a five-member family that belonged to his cult. A judge in Painesville, Ohio, issued the death penalty today following the recommendation of a Lake County

jury. Lundgren's lawyer says his client thought he was following God's will when he shot the family.

NASA administrator Richard Truly gave the troubled space agency's employees a pep talk today, saying NASA ''does have its act together,'' despite a summer full of setbacks. The message was broadcast live on NASA's internal communications system from Truly's office in Washington.

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#90264u1351 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 15 to 24 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	11.06	11.08	10.76	10.90	11.14
Mar	10.63	10.66	10.42	10.53	10.69
May	10.64	10.65	10.45	10.54	10.69
Jly	10.65	10.65	10.49	10.53	10.68
Oct	10.63	10.68	10.50	10.57	10.72

Estimated sales: 19,807 contracts

Open interest: 110,107 off 1,310

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.93

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday 6 points higher to 4 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.07	23.15	22.98	23.15	23.09
Jan	23.00	23.01	23.00	23.01	22.97
Mar	22.98	23.00	22.98	22.99	22.96
May	23.05	23.05	23.03	23.03	23.03
Jly	23.05	23.05	23.03	23.04	23.08
Sep	23.05	23.05	23.03	23.03	23.06
Nov	22.88	....	....	22.84	22.87

Estimated sales: 103 contracts

Open interest: 10,985 up 139

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#90264u1435 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in brisk trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Lower in active trading.

London Stocks - Closed slightly higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed slightly higher in light trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Slightly higher.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 3/4 to 2, soybeans down 2 3/4 to 5 3/4, wheat up 1/2 to 2 and oats down 1 to 1 3/4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90264u1457 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO (SEPT. 21) UPI - Iraq, again escalating tension on the diplomatic and propaganda fronts of the Persian Gulf standoff, sent 18 Western diplomats packing Friday in a tit-for-tat response to Europe's expulsion of Iraqis and warned there will be no retreat until the conflict reaches an "honorable end."

Baghdad also complained Friday that two planes had violated its air space, the third such complaint since the gulf crisis began seven weeks ago when Iraq invaded neighboring Kuwait.

The developments seemed more ominous coming on the heels of a get- tough speech by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, who warned his nation Thursday night that it was close to war and that any fight would be a fight for Arab honor and the liberation of Jerusalem.

Japan, meanwhile, said Friday it had failed to come up with a plan to send soldiers to join the U.S.-led multinational force in the gulf, but Poland reportedly was considering sending a small contingent of troops to the region.

In retaliation for the expulsion of three American diplomats from Baghdad, the State Department Friday ordered the staff of the Iraqi embassy in Washington reduced from 19 to 16. A military attache and two other diplomats have been given a week to leave the United States, the same time limit given American and other foreign diplomats expelled Friday by the Iraqi government.

European officials said Iraq sent three British, 11 French and four Italian diplomats packing, apparently in retaliation for the expulsion from those

European countries of Iraqi diplomats earlier this week.

''The expulsion is a reaction to what we did to them,'' said British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd. ''I am keen that the rest of the (embassy) staff in Baghdad should be able to carry on with their job helping the British community.''

London, Paris and Rome had expelled Iraqi diplomats and military students following a weekend raid by Iraqi soldiers on several Western embassy compounds in Kuwait.

Egypt said Friday it was closing the Iraqi military attache office in Cairo and asking its personnel to leave the country within seven days, according to the semi-official Middle East News Agency.

Butros Ghali, minister of state for foreign affairs, said Cairo was closing the office and expelling two other diplomats from the Iraqi embassy in response to the closure by Iraqi authorities of the Egyptian military attache office in Baghdad.

Egypt is currently deploying an extra 15,000 troops to Saudi Arabia to join the Western-led forces in protecting the kingdom against possible aggression from Iraqi troops massed at the Kuwaiti border. Egypt, the Gulf states, Morocco and Syria have all sent Arab troops to join the force.

Japan, however, said Friday that the government and political parties could not agree on a plan to send personnel to the region. Tokyo has pledged $4 billion to help offset the cost of the massive military buildup, but has been under increasing international pressure to provide troops as well.

In a move unimaginable just a few years ago, the Polish government may send a small contingent to join the U.S.-led forces as a gesture of support, the Polish newspaper Zycie Warszawy reported. Never before has a Warsaw Pact nation sent military troops to serve alongside Western forces.

Government sources told the newspaper the United States and Poland had discussed the possiblity, but officials declined comment on the report.

Iranian President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani said Friday he would be willing to help bring peace to the area, but only on the condition Iraq withdraws its troops from Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2.

The last U.S.-chartered flight out of Kuwait was tentatively expected Saturday State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said in Washington.

With that flight, she said, the U.S. embassy in Kuwait believes that every American who is able to leave and wants to leave will have been evacuated.

So far, about 1,700 Americans, mainly women and children, have been airlifted out of Kuwait. Another 1,200 Americans remain in the emirate and there are 120 in Iraq, including diplomatic personnel.

One more American was picked up in Kuwait by Iraqi troops, bring to about 84 the number of American men held by Iraqi authorities. Iraqi authorities have been rounding up Western men and taking them to key economic and military installations, where they are kept to guard against attack by Western forces.

Saddam, wearing a military uniform, appeared on Iraqi television Thursday as a statement broadcast for him blasted Arab efforts to end the gulf crisis.

The statement, described by analysts as the toughest by Saddam since he invaded Kuwait seven weeks ago, warned Iraqis that a battle was looming and that it would be a fight to liberate Jerusalem.

He was shown on television in his capacity as chairman of a joint meeting of the Revolution Command Council and the Ruling Baath Arab Socialist Party.

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#90264u1459 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - Dow Jones Averages - 3:30 p.m.

30 Indus	2508.66	off	9.66
20 Trans	871.86	off	8.13
15 Utils	201.27	up	0.94
65 Stock	879.34	off	3.31

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#90264u1474 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) UPI - NASA has apparently taken a cue from the Soviet space program in designing an experimental spacecraft, Aviation Week and Space Technology reported Friday.

The HL-20 Personnel Launch System, a small, winged craft that could ferry 10 astronauts at a time to and from a space station, resembles a space plane the Soviets tested from 1982 to 1984, the magazine reported in an issue to be released next week.

''Their work stimulated our interest,'' William Piland of NASA's Langley Research Center in Hampton, Va., told the magazine. ''We had a very keen interest in that configuration.''

NASA has spent years ''gloating'' about the Soviet Buran spacecraft's striking similarity to NASA's space shuttle, the magazine said.

''I'm not aware of the U.S. ever designing one of its spacecraft on a Soviet

design,'' said Marcia Smith, a specialist in aerospace policy for the Congressional Research Service, told United Press International.

Piland noted, however, that the Soviet craft ''seems to have evolved'' from U.S. designs, the magazine said.

NASA is exploring a variety of alternatives to the space shuttle that would allow the shuttle to be reserved for carrying large payloads.

A mock-up of the HL-20, built by North Carolina State University, is 29 1/2 feet long and has a wingspan of 23 1/2 feet, the magazine said.

The craft would weigh about 24,000 pounds and its wings could be made to fold so it would fit in the space shuttle payload bay to assure that crews could return to Earth from the space station if a shuttle were unavailable, the magazine said.

It could also be used for missions to repair satellites or rescue stranded space crews, it said.

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#90264u1486 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

ORLANDO, FL (SEPT. 21) UPI - Sea World officials were puzzled Friday by the sudden death of the park's only male killer whale.

A necropsy was performed Thursday night on the whale, named Kanduke, but tissue analyses that should reveal the cause of death were expected to take four to six weeks.

''We're still evaluating all the lab results and the results of the necroposy. Most of the results at this point are preliminary and inconclusive, and it's going to be four to six weeks,'' said Frank Murru, curator at Sea World Florida.

Kanduke, which like all killer whales at Sea World parks performed under the stage name Shamu, died Thursday at 5:40 p.m., said Sea World spokesman Nick Gollattscheck.

''It was very much unexpected that this illness occurred. We really weren't prepared for his death. It came on very, very suddenly,'' Murru said. ''He was I guess, noticed to have a slowdown in activity and a decrease in appetite beginning ... on Tuesday.''

The 22-foot-long, 10,000-pound killer whale believed to be in his mid- to late 20s, last performed at the park Monday, Gollattscheck said.

The death leaves Sea World Florida with four female killer whales - two of

them calves that were fathered by Kanduke - and no males.

The four Sea World parks - in California, Texas, Ohio and Florida - now have 13 killer whales, just one of them a male.

Murru and Brad Andrews, assistant zoological director for all the Sea World parks, said there was no pressure to bring another male to the Orlando park soon and no decision had been made on whether to do that.

''Right now our major concern is to concentrate on finding out what caused the death of the animal, and we will evaluate the impact on our breeding programs in the near future,'' Murru said.

Kanduke was captured in Pedder Bay, British Columbia, Canada, in 1975 and was brought to Orlando in January 1987 after being displayed at Marineland Canada in Niagra Falls, Ontario.

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#90264u1494 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (SEPT. 21) UPI - Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev urged Parliament Friday to get moving and approve a plan for a radical transition to a free-market economicsystem, the "most difficult choice" of the perestroika era.

But legislators, who listened in hushed silence to Gorbachev's exhortations, put off until Monday a vote that could change how the the Soviet Union does business.

Gorbachev said the lawmakers now had the chance to "once and for all end the total state monopoly ownership that is ruining us" and adopt a system based on the concept of private property.

"It is the most difficult choice," Gorbachev told the serious-faced deputies. Some just shook their heads at Gorbachev's glib use of explosive language in a state that has enshrined state ownership as the basis of its economic system for 72 years.

He urged the deputies not to waste time discussing and refining their plan. "We have no more time. There is no more time - all the more so because we see in what a situation people are in now," he said, referring to shortages in consmer products ranging from bread to cigarettes and asprin. "We have to work at solving this problem, solve it and move ahead," he said.

Gorbachev came out strongly in favor of a 500-day plan, a proposal first broached by Boris Yeltsin, whose Russian republic has already adopted the formula and vowed to implement it no matter what Gorbachev's central leadership does.

But the Soviet president said the Parliament is free to incorporate ideas from the government's alternative plan - a sop to Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov, whose own gradual formula was shelved in June and whose resignation Yeltsin wants.

Gorbachev steered clear of details of the 500-day formula that would hurtle the country into a free-market system, end bailout subsidies to failing enterprises and cause unemployment that some publications estimate could reach 20 million. "We are entering the market, entering it. The real market is maybe five or ten years away," Gorbachev said, gesticulating as if to calm fears.

Whatever is adopted - the Shatalin plan named after its architect, economist Stanislav Shatalin, or the presidential plan - it will mark a turning point. Except for defense and some other vital sectors, the 15 republics will eventually be responsible for their own economies. The blueprint envisions the eventual end of central industrial ministries, which have directed all economic enterprises.

Enterprises, plants and factories as well as collective farms will be "privatized" during the 500 days, which Gorbachev explained should not be taken literally as a timetable.

Some of the goals are stupifying, such as bringing the budget deficit down to $8 billion. The deficit last year was $192 billion, and efforts to halve it as planned this year are in tatters because of the unceasing printing of rubles.

Whatever plan is adopted, Gorbachev said he opposed the resignation of the Ryzhkov government. "And not because I am president today, and Ryzhkov is premier. No, because if at this crucial turning point, if we start reshuffling throughout the system, throughout the country, it will be a present to all sorts of pretenders to power and ambitious individuals who are prepared to exploit the country and our difficulties."

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#90264u1506 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.14

60 to 89 days 8.06

90 to 119 days 7.98

120 to 149 days 7.97

150 to 179 days 7.90

180 to 270 days 7.85

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.07 - 7.80

Issuers 30 days 8.06

Issuers 90 days 7.71

Issuers 270 days 7.47

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.22

60 to 89 days 8.22

90 to 119 days 8.22

120 to 149 days 8.22

150 to 179 days 8.22

180 days 8.22

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.125 - 8.25

1 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

3 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

6 month 8.25 - 8.375

Year 8 5-16 - 8 7-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.36 - 7.34

6 months 7.36 - 7.34

Year 7.24 - 7.22

Federal Funds: High 8 1/4, Low 8 1/8, Close 8 1/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.945 up 0.025.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90264u1512 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 22) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

Auto Racing

Ayrton Senna won the provisional pole for Sunday's Portuguese Grand Prix in Estoril. Senna leads defending champion Alain Prost of France in the driver standings. ... The United Auto Workers union leader in Indiana is urging members to protest the selection of a Japanese- manufactured car to pace the field of the 1991 Indy 500. He says the car should be made in the U.S.

Boxing

The proposed fight in Monte Carlo Oct. 13 for the vacant WBC middleweight title between Herol Graham of Britain and Julian Jackson of the Virgin Islands has been called off. The Monaco Boxing Association has refused to license Jackson, who is barred from fighting in Britain because of eye trouble. The promoter is trying to switch the fight to the Canary Islands for Oct. 20.

College

Duke receiver Walter Jones had his five-game disciplinary suspension cut short and may play Clemson next week. He was suspended in July by Coach Barry Wilson after being charged with drunk and disruptive behavior and served 24 hours of community service.

Games

The Asian Games open in Beijing Saturday without Iraq, which was expelled for invading Kuwait. During the 16-day competition - China's first major international sports event - bicycles, the main method of transportation, and disabled citizens will be barred from some areas. Heavy fines will be imposed for spitting and littering.

Golf

Chip Beck upset defending champ Nick Faldo in the second round in the $658,000 World Matchplay Championship at Wentworth, England. Beck beat Faldo, the 1990 Masters and British Open winner, 2 and 1. Beck's semifinal opponent, Ian Woosnam of Wales, may be unable to play Saturday because of a groin strain.

Law

San Antonio Spurs guard David Wingate faces rape and assault charges for allegedly attacking a 17-year-old girl Sunday. The former Georgetown star was arrested Monday and spent three hours in custody before being released on $10,000 bond in Columbia, Md. He faces up to 20 years in prison. The Spurs said he will not be brought back. ... Mel Blount, Reggie Williams and Mark van Eeghen are among the former NFL players trying to stop state-sponsored sports betting lotteries.

Tennis

The United States and Austria are tied 1-1 after the first round of their Davis Cup semifinal in Vienna. Michael Chang lost to Thomas Muster 4-6, 6-2, 6-2, 6-4, and Andre Agassi beat Horst Skoff 7-6 (7-3), 6-0, 6- 1. Saturday's doubles pits Americans Jim Pugh and Rick Leach against Muster and Alex Antonitsch. ... Australia, playing at home, leads Argentina 2-0 in the other Davis Cup semifinal. Pat Cash routed Alberto Mancini 6-1, 6-1, 6-2, and Wally Masur beat Martin Jaite 3-6, 6-7 (4-7), 6-4, 6-0, 6-2. Australia can clinch a final berth in Saturday's doubles. ... Ivan Lendl will play in the inaugural $6 million Grand Slam Cup in Munich Dec. 11-16. The event is for the 16 players with the year's best Grand Slam records and offers $2 million to the winner.

Track and Field

Said Aouita will run for the first time Saturday in the Mercedes Mile on Fifth Avenue in New York. Aouita, coming off surgery to both calves in June, will be tested by defending champion Peter Elliott and Steve Cram.

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#90264u1546 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1093.4
Thursday	1088.5
Week ago	1088.2
Month ago	1137.5
Year ago	1100.3
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90264u1559 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.14	off 0.15
10 Public Utils	90.49	up 0.08
10 Industrials	87.80	off 0.38

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#90264u1563 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - Barringer Instruments Inc. Friday unveiled a new highly-sensitive explosives detector to counter terrorist bombings whose threat has been mounting with the tension in the Middle East.

The system, called Ionscan, is based on the ion mobility spectrometry technology which can identify a wide range of substances based on an analysis of the specific speed of ions released by the objects.

The Ionscan can "sniff" explosives, including plastic explosives which usually go undetected through traditional X-ray machines, and can also detect narcotics.

"Ionscan could prevent modern tragedies such as airline hijacking or bombing," said President Robert Melnick, pointing to renewed fears of terrorist threats linked to the Middle East crisis.

The detection system includes a small, portable vacuum cleaner which can collect dust from clothes, suitcases or containers. Samples of the dust is collected on a film which is inserted in the ionization machine which charges and analyzes the particles.

Because the chemical structure of each explosive is unique - like a true "fingerprint" - its ions travel at a specific speed, quickly identified by the Ionscan.

No explosive, including bullets, can be handled without leaving minute particles on its container, and Ioscan, which takes not more than six seconds

to analyze a sample, can trace a wide range of substances, even when concealed in a case inside the trunk of a car or inside a container. "Ionscan can be used at border crossings, airport and maritime terminals," Melnick said.

Ionscan is priced at about $65,000, cheaper than less sensitive units and is in the same price range as airport X-ray equipment. "Explosives and plastics or drugs cannot be spotted by X-ray machines," Melnick added.

One problem often found with ionization detection equipment is their high level of sensitivity can trigger false alarms. But Melnick said Ioscan can be programmed to respond only to certain levels. Ionscan's prime application could be for the detection of narcotics, since drug substances also release specific particles.

Barringer, based in Morristown, N.J., has already presented the system to several Canadian agencies, including the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and is taking Ioscan to U.S. law enforcement agencies and private companies concerned about security.

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#90264u1584 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2514.11	2538.37	2479.95	2512.38	off 5.94
20 Trans	884.25	887.57	865.20	876.66	off 3.33
15 Utils	201.71	202.84	199.32	201.71	up 1.38
65 Stock	884.01	890.54	870.42	881.67	off 0.98

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	32,295,400	21,114,600
Trans	3,505,000	2,273,800
Utils	4,636,700	2,643,500
65 Stock	40,437,100	26,031,900

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#90264u1590 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 12 to 147 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	77.50	77.50	75.30	75.65	77.12
Dec	73.65	73.95	73.00	73.04	73.80
Mar	74.80	75.18	74.15	74.20	74.85
May	74.95	75.10	74.85	74.42	75.00
Jly	74.85	75.10	74.40	74.40	74.85

Oct	69.70	69.90	69.70	69.40	69.87
Dec	68.00	68.10	68.00	67.93	68.05

Estimated sales: 5,000 contracts
Open interest: 36,994 up 659
The World spot average: 71.03

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#90264u1611 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 21) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Friday - 8,722,000
1990 to date - 1,836,146,000

The market closed lower.

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#90264u1625 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - Bond Calendar - New Issues Scheduled for Public Sale

U.S. GOVERNMENT & FEDERAL AGENCIES (Week of Sept. 24)
Sept. 24 - $18.4 billion 13- and 26-week T-bills ($1.7 billion new cash).
Sept. 25 - $11.5 billion 2-year T-notes.
Sept. 26 - $8.25 billion 4-year T-notes.

TAX-EXEMPT NOTES & BONDS (Week of Sept. 24) - Courtesy of The Bond Buyer
(Issues are to be negotiated unless otherwise noted)
$167.9 million California State Public Works Board lease revenue bonds.
$164.2 million Roanoke, Va., Industrial Development Authority hospital revenue bonds.

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#90264u1637 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (SEPT. 21) UPI - Architect and developer John Portman said Friday his company was "not surprised or unduly concerned" about a lawsuit filed against the Portman Co. by Chemical Bank, alleging default on a loan.

Chemical Bank filed suit in Fulton State Court alleging that Portman defaulted on $5 million that was due Sept. 1 on a revolving line of credit. The Portman Co. had said earlier that it is working on forming a collateral pool of assets for its unsecured creditors.

"Negotiating a collateralization plan for a firm of our size and scope is very complex and time-consuming," said Dennis Glass, executive vice president and chief financial officer of the Portman Co.

"We are working with more than 20 separate lenders, so it's not unexpected that there will be some reasonable disagreement among them," Glass said. "In fact, in negotiations like this, it is a common tactic for one or more lenders to file suits while the collateralization plan is being developed. At that same time, it's customary for lawsuits such as this one to be dismissed as the plan comes together. We would expect that to be the case here also."

The company said it expects the collateral pool agreement to be agreed on in principle shortly. On Aug. 31, the West German DG Bank Genossenschaftsbank, filed suit alleging that Portman failed to pay $3 million on a 90-day loan it made to him by June 1.

Portman also missed a September payment on a $332.5 million mortgage on Peachtree Center held by Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States.

While the suits involve debts that are small in relation to Portman's total debt, the legal actions put pressure on the negotiations that have been going on for more than a month between Portman and 22 lenders. The Portman Companies' properties include seven hotels, 17 office buildingsand five other commercial buildings.

Portman is a privately held company that does not release detailed information about its financial dealings. The Atlanta Journal- Constitution reported that Portman's total debt has soared to nearly $2 billion and that he is renegoiating millions of dollars in loans with his lenders, some of the nation's largest real estate financiers.

At the end of 1989, Portman started a record amount of construction in downtown Atlanta - a $378 million, 60-story tower, One Peachtree Center, which will be his most imposing yet in downtown, and the $145 million Atlanta Gift Mart.

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#90264u1640 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	367.62	223.21	130.74	22.01	311.48
Opening	367.61	223.65	131.46	22.01	311.70
11 a.m.	367.22	222.51	131.40	22.97	311.35
Noon	367.98	222.79	131.79	21.98	312.00
1 p.m.	366.89	222.06	131.73	21.94	311.19
2 p.m.	365.72	221.61	131.49	21.82	310.21
3 p.m.	365.21	220.69	131.30	21.69	309.67
Close	367.10	222.87	132.23	21.76	311.32
Change	off 0.52	off 0.34	up 1.49	off 0.25	off 0.16

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#90264u1661 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending September 21.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	89.35	89.35	89.11	89.14	off 0.40
10 Utils	90.58	90.58	90.21	90.49	off 0.16
10 Indus	88.13	88.18	87.80	87.80	off 0.64

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#90264u1671 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - The dollar ended mixed Friday in New York but gained heavily on the British pound, which got bashed by comments from Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher indicating that closer European currency ties probably were not going to be forged any time soon.

Currency analysts said dealings focused on the pound sterling after Thatcher, traveling in Switzerland, was quoted as saying British inflation was too high to allow the pound to join a European rate mechanism now.

Coming after remarks earlier in the week by Bundesbank President Karl Otto Poehl to the effect that sterling was not ready to join the European Monetary System's exchange rate mechanism, Thatcher's comments blitzed the pound.

The pound "took a big hit" on Thatcher's remarks, said analyst Earl Johnson of Harris Trust & Savings Bank in Chicago. Late in the New York session,sterling had plunged to $1.8435 from $1.8730.

At the same time in New York, the dollar was quoted at 1.5775 German marks, up from 1.5770 Thursday, and at 136.65 Japanese yen, off from 137.65.

Johnson said the dollar also benefited from end-of-week buying by players covering short, or selling, positions before a Group of Seven monetary policy meeting Saturday in Washington. But "nobody expects anything significant" to emerge from the gathering of the world's seven largest economies' finance ministers, he said.

Still supporting the U.S. currency were Federal Reserve chairman Alan Greenspan's Wednesday comments, in which he told a congressional panel of his concern about the current high rate of U.S. inflation, which could be worsened by a weak dollar. That has led the market to restrain expectations of lower domestic interest rates.

"Weak (U.S. economic) fundamentals don't justify a strong dollar, but in the wake of Greenspan's comments it has a firmer tone," Johnson said.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.32 Swiss francs, off from 1.3205; 5.2820 French francs, up from 5.2800; and 1,174 Italian lire, off from 1,180.

In Europe, the dollar finished mixed as financial markets were indecisive on what direction the Persian Gulf conflict might take.

In London, the pound kept slipping against the dollar on the question of its linkage to the European exchange rate mechanism. Intervention by the Bank of England and by U.S. and German central banks failed to halt the slide. The British currency ended at $1.8495 vs. $1.8690 Thursday.

Skeptical comments on the pound made earlier this week by the German central bank chief "seem to have pricked a bubble of confidence in sterling," currency analyst David Smith of Williams de Broe said.

The dollar slipped in Frankfurt to 1.5735 German marks vs. 1.5785 Thursday andwas lower in Zurich, at 1.3155 Swiss francs vs. 1.3215.

But the dollar rose in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively: 5.2880 French francs vs. 5.2630, 32.41 Belgian francs vs. 32.36 and 1, 176.65 lire vs. 1,169.55.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar gained on the yen, but dealers said it had lost some momentum ahead of the Washington G-7 meeting. "There was no clear direction in trading," said Sanwa Bank manager Harumi Ban. The dollar closed at 137.33 yen, ahead from 137.05 yen the previous session.

Gold closed higher in both Zurich, at $390 an ounce vs. Thursday's $387, and London, at $389.25 an ounce vs. $387.25.

Silver was unchanged in Zurich at $4.80 an ounce and also held steady in London at $4.81 an ounce.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $389.75 an ounce, up from $389.25 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $389.40 an ounce, up from $389.10.

Silver was unchanged in Zurich at $4.80 an ounce but declined in London to $4.81 an ounce from Thursday's $4.83.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.815 an ounce, up from $4.805. Comex silver ended trading at $4.79 an ounce, up from $4.778.

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#90264u1674 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended September 21, 1990.

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	263,787,568	76	65 1/4	67	off 1/2
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	253,320,016	63 1/4	58 1/2	60 1/2	up 3/4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	238,973,040	34 1/2	32 1/4	32 7/8	off 1/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	229,355,232	46 5/8	39 7/8	41 5/8	up 1 1/8
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	174,994,096	35 1/4	31	31 1/2	off 1/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	150,392,736	32 1/2	31	31 1/2	unch
Amgen	(AMGN)	133,756,720	50 1/2	46 1/2	47 5/8	off 3/8
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	105,242,424	29 7/8	27 3/4	28 1/2	unch
SciMed Life	(SMLS)	98,675,312	30 3/4	24 3/4	26 1/4	off 1 1/2
Liz Claiborne	(LIZC)	92,595,064	27 1/4	24 3/4	25	off 1/4

NMS volume 534,599,700 shares.

Advances	591
Declines	1,447
Unchanged	767
Total	2,805

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#90264u1678 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended September 21:

High	Low	Last	Net change
321.80	315.12	316.01	off 2.32

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#90264u1695 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	31.15-31.20	29.55-29.60
North Sea Brent	37.60-37.65	36.00-36.05
West Texas Intermed	36.35-36.45	34.70-34.75
Light Louisiana Sweet	37.05-37.25	35.45-35.60
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	98.70-98.95	92.65-92.90
No. 2 Heating oil	95.95-96.45	90.35-90.60

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products (cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	95.95-96.20	89.65-89.90
No. 2 Heating oil	93.70-94.00	88.65-88.85

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#90264u1697 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended September 21:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	174.88	169.94	171.03	off 3.12
Industrial	219.12	212.60	213.58	off 4.48
Transportation	139.45	135.10	136.09	off 1.17
Utilities	84.02	82.76	84.02	up 1.06
Finance	120.33	114.78	115.02	off 5.63

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#90264u1698 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended September 21, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Fruit of Loom	2,042,100	9 7/8	8	8 3/8	off 1 5/8
Paine W Gr wtB	1,947,700	9 3/4	8 1/2	9	up 3/8
ENSCO	1,841,100	4	3 1/2	3 7/8	up 1/4
Salomon wt Jan	1,709,000	19 1/8	17 3/8	18 3/8	up 1 3/8
Denmark K wt	1,325,800	19 7/8	18 3/8	19 1/8	up 1 1/4
Eksport wt	1,173,800	9 5/8	8 5/8	9	up 1/8
Contl Air	1,134,000	5 1/2	4 7/8	5 1/4	up 1/4
BAT Indus	1,128,900	10 3-16	9 5/8	9 5/8	off 3/8
Amdahl Corp	1,097,100	12 1/2	11 1/2	12	off 1/4
Intermark Inc	991,100	3 5/8	3	3 1/8	up 1/8

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#90264u1703 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) UPI - The federal government filed a lawsuit Friday seeking $200 million in damages against former officers and directors of Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan Association, including Neil Bush, the president's son.

The suit, filed in U.S. District Court in Denver, came just days before Bush is scheduled to appear before an administrative law judge to defend himself

against charges he violated conflict-of-interest laws while serving as a Silverado director.

Federal regulators have accused Bush of failing to disclose conflicts involved in business transactions with two of Silverado's large creditors and preferred stockholders.

Bush has denied the charges, which if proven could result in a cease-and-desist order, a relatively mild rebuke that could prove a major embarrassment for Bush and the White House. President Bush has said he will not interfere in the case and has expressed confidence his son had done nothing wrong.

The lawsuit, filed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. that is responsible for covering the losses of insured depositors, claims the former officers and directors of the failed Denver thrift breached their fiduciary duty and were grossly negligent in their duties.

"This suit was filed after a careful and thorough investigation conducted over several months," said Douglas Jones, the FDIC's senior deputy general counsel.

"Our conclusion is that Silverado was the victim of sophisticated schemes and abuses by insiders and of gross negligence by its directors and outside professionals," Jones said. The lawsuit alleges that former Silverado officers made improper loans and investments that were approved by the directors.

Jones said the lawsuit is seeking to recover "every available dollar" for the federal deposit insurance fund and taxpayers. Bailing out the failed thrift is expected to cost taxpayers $1.6 billion.

Silverado collapsed in 1988 and was taken over by government regulators in December of that year, four months after Bush stepped down as a director. Bush who lives in Denver and is in the oil industry there, joined Silverado's board in 1985.

In addition to Bush, others named as defendants in the suit include Michael Wise, Silverado's former chairman and chief executive officer; Robert Lewis, the thrift's former chief financial officer, Richard Vandapool, former chief operating officer and Russell Murray, former executive vice president.

W. James Metz, who owned 88 percent of Silverado's stock, also was named, along with former board members Florian Barth, Richard Bunchman, Diane Ingels, Marjorie Page and Richard Vitkus.

The Denver law firm of Sherman & Howard, which served as general counsel to Silverado, also was named as a defendant, as was Ronald Jacobs, a partner in the firm who also served on the board of Silverado's holding company.

The FDIC said it included the law firm in its lawsuit because it allegedly placed "the interests of a few insiders over those of the institution they were retained to protect."

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#90264u1709 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - Largest net changes amoung NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended September 21, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6025	off 200
Wash Post	217	off 16 1/2
CapCiti/ABC	460 1/2	off 10 1/2
MBIA Inc	25 3/4	off 10 1/4
Scott Paper	34 3/8	off 10 1/4
CBS Inc	157 5/8	off 9 7/8
Kubota Corp	101	up 7 3/4
Amer General	32 1/8	off 7 3/4
Fed Home Loan	51 3/4	off 7 1/8
Coroon & Black	29 1/4	off 6 7/8
Pitney Bowes	29 1/2	off 6 7/8
Kyocera Corp	95 1/4	off 6 1/2
Pioneer Elec	65 1/2	off 6
Genl Signal	35 1/4	off 5 5/8
McDon-Douglas	46 3/8	off 5 1/2

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#90264u1732 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	10	8	10
New lows	264	238	167

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	586	71,393,300
Declines	946	99,416,600
Unchanged	453	30,240,100
Total	1,985	201,050,000

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#90264u1747 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) UPI - President Bush said Friday that if the United Nations votes to bolster the naval blockade of Iraq with air interdiction, ''the United States would do its part'' to halt Iraqi- bound planes.

Bush rejected suggestions, however, that the United States and Iraq are moving closer toward war, and reiterated that he hopes economic sanctions would eventually lead to a peaceful resolution of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Speaking with reporters outside the White House before leaving for a weekend at Camp David, Md., Bush said he does not believe Saddam Hussein is moving toward an launching an attack on allied forces in the gulf.

''I don't think he's ratcheting up, I think he's hunkering down,'' Bush said. ''And I say that from the way his forces are deployed,'' with hundreds of thousands in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Bush laughed off a demand by Iraqi President Saddam that Saddam be allowed to give an address on American television.

Told that Saddam was preparing to release a more than hour-long tape, Bush said, ''That will finish him off in the United States. ... No one will be able to stay awake through it.''

The president said, however, he has ''no problem'' with Saddam speaking on U.S. television. He noted that the Iraqi president has received plenty of air time since the Aug. 2 takeover of Kuwait.

Bush addressed the Iraqi people Sunday in an eight-minute speech that was broadcast on Iraq's state-owned television. In the taped remarks, the president said Saddam had put Iraq on the ''brink of war.''

Diplomats said Friday that the U.N. Security Council had readied a plan to impose an embargo on air traffic to Iraq, but that enforcement was delayed pending approval of procedure.

Under the plan, they said, aircraft would be permitted to fly to and from Iraq only if they are first inspected to ensure that they are not violating the U.N.-mandated trade embargo that was imposed Aug. 6.

Bush, asked how far he would be willing to go to enforce an air embargo, said: ''We haven't crossed that. I'm listening to the discussion in our own administration and am in close consultation with other countries.''

''But if the sanctions specifically include forcing planes down that could be carrying contraband, carrying cargo that violates the sanctions, obviously the United States would do its part,'' he said.

The president said, ''I want to see a peaceful resolution. Obviously these economic sanctions are going to take some time to work. I don't know who long that is.''

Bush, who met with congressional leaders at the White House earlier Friday to discuss events in the gulf, said, ''I don't intend to be sending a signal that I'm shifting more toward the military (respons).''

Asked specifically, though, if he would promise not to fire the first shot, Bush said, ''I'm not making any commitments. There are so many contigencies. I've spelled them out.''

''The treatment of American citizens ... possible use of terror is another thing that concerns me greatly,'' he said. ''So we'll just have to leave it.''

Bush said he had updated congressmen on the situation earlier in the day and expressed his own ''deep concern for what Iraq is doing to Kuwait,'' which has been plundered and terrorized by Iraqi troops.

Asked if he thought Saddam was ready for war, Bush added, ''I don't know the answer to that. We watch the deployment of their forces.''

Bush said, ''We're going to continue to move forces - others, the British, the French, moving forces. But I wouldn't necessarily view that as a step closer to war. (But) it certainly is putting us in a much stronger position.''

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#90264u1761 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 21) UPI - Philadelphia will run out of cash by Dec. 1 unless state and local politicians take quick action to right the city's floundering finances, Mayor Wilson Goode said Friday.

City officials have been warning for weeks that funds would run dry by the end of the year, but Goode's announcement was the first time a specific date has been set.

The mayor said that with no action at all, city coffers would be empty by Nov. 9. But he has instituted a hiring freeze, deferred pension fund payments and put off paying back illegally-collected real estate transfer taxes to stretch funds three weeks beyond that.

Goode said he rejected cuts in city services as a way to save money, believing that would not buy the city enough time. "We could, at best, if we took the most drastic cuts we could take, buy five or six business days," Goode said. "We don't think that Dec. 1 versus Dec. 7 or 8 is worth that kind of pain to put upon our citizens."

The crisis was precipitated by a $206 million deficit, the downgrading of the city's bonds to junk status, and the collapse of a deal to sell $375 million in short-term loan notes. The note sale is necessary to tide the city over until the spring, when large portions of property and business taxes come due.

Goode said the state government will determine whether the city tries again to sell those notes. "It will be based on my evaluation of whether something positive will occur in Harrisburg, and when," Goode said.

Some observers have suggested that the city can expect no help from the state until after the Nov. 6 gubernatorial and legislative election, but Goode said political considerations played no part in fixing the date the city's purse would be empty.

"We didn't look at the election and say how can we devise a scenario to get us beyond the election," Goode said. Goode said he is not seeking a state bailout.

"We're asking the state to enable us to better solve our problems," he said. Goode said the city needs the ability to enact a local sales tax, to require employers to withhold the city wage tax, and to employ deficit financing.

The mayor said the city is asking the state for $32 million to pay for services for children and youth that the state mandates but does not now pay for.

Goode met Friday with key members of City Council and the city's legislative delegation, and said those sessions will continue as officials decide what to do. The mayor said he is confident that some action will be taken and the crisis averted.

"I can't imagine, faced with this reality we have now, people who have this responsibility not coming together to solve this problem," Goode said. "I don't want to even think about us not being able to solve this problem,"

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#90264u1799 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

MILWAUKEE (SEPT. 21) UPI - Four World War II era cargo airplanes modified for use in running drugs have been confiscated by federal agents, the U.S. Attorney's office announced Friday.

The DC-3 aircraft were seized by federal agents at Basler Flight Services of Oshkosh on Thursday. The aircraft were converted by Basler, apparently unwittingly, to carry cocaine shipments.

The agents seized the planes as pilots with Air Colombia, S.A., of Bogota, Colombia, arrived in Oshkosh to ferry the planes to Colombia.

Basler refitted the planes with extended cargo capacity and turboprop engines which have greatly increased the aircraft's range and speed. The modified planes are capable of and well-suited for transporting large quantities of narcotics over long distances.

Authorities said no charges were filed against the pilots and no charges were being contemplated against Basler.

Assistant U.S. Attorney William Lipscomb said the seizures were connected with an international money-laundering case that began with indictments in Phoenix, Ariz. and Atlanta, Ga.

Authorities said the planes were vauled at $10 million and were purchased in Oshkosh from Basler by agents from the Medelline drug cartel, using the proceeds of cocaine trafficking.

Tom Weigt, president of Basler Turbo Conversions, said the transaction for the planes was ''just a business deal. We don't know anything about what the aircraft were going to be used for.''

Agents were apparently convinced Basler was unaware of how the planes would be used.

''As far as we can determine, he was just an unknowing and unwitting vendor,'' said Kelly Snyder, Milwaukee chief of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration.

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#90264u1807 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 432.57, off 0.30 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90264u1826 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT 21) UPI - Thunderstorms pounded the southern Plains, parts of the South and upper Midwest while much of the nation enjoyed dry, clear weather, the National Weather Service said Friday.

Thunderstorms developing along a slow moving cold front produced locally healvy rains in Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas Thursday night and Friday morning. Oklahoma City was inundated with 3.43 inches of rain in six hours ending Friday morning.

The town of Graham in north-central Texas recorded 4.6 inches, most of it in about four hours ending at noon. Heavy storms in northwest Arkansas caused street flooding in several communities, with water up to car doors in northern Fort Smith.

Showers and thunderstorms extended from southwestern Texas to Arkansas in early afternoon. Flash flood watches remained in effect in the afternoon for west central Arkansas and southeastern Oklahoma.

Showers and thunderstorms along a warm front were scattered from western Tennessee to eastern Wisconsin and southern lower Michigan.

A few showers and thunderstorms were scattered over the Texas coast and the Florida peninsula and from Alabama to North Carolina. Light rain and drizzle were reported over eastern New Mexico, northwest Texas and central California.

It was dry over the rest of the nation and sunny from South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas to the Pacific Coast.

Temperatures were in the 80s and 90s in the desert Southwest through south Texas to Florida and Georgia. Brisk north winds prevailed from Oklahoma to the upper Mississippi Valley, ushing in cool, arctic air into the central states. Readings were in the 50s in the central High Plains, the upper 40s and 50s from North Dakota to Michigan, abd 60s and 70s in the Northeast.

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#90264u1829 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, Poland (SEPT. 21) UPI - Parliament approved President Wojciech Jaruzelski's offer to step down this fall and agreed Friday to dissolve itself and the Senate as the result of the political changes that swept the country.

The resolution worked out late at night after two days of stormy discussion was approved on a 252-17 vote with 50 abstentions.

''The Sejm (the lower house of parliament) after reviewing political changes which took place in Poland and the disbanding of two major parties decided to shorten Sejm's and Senate's as well as president's terms in office,'' the resolution said.

The Communist and Communist-controlled Farmers' parties disbanded last year but their representatives retained their seats in the Sejm despite the fact they represent parties that are now defunct.

Solidarity founder Lech Walesa's announcement Monday that he will run for Poland's presidency also was instrumental in prompting the Sejm's resolution.

Jaruzelski, seen as the last remnant of the Communist regime, has been under increasing pressure to resign.

In a letter filed Tuesday with the Sejm, Jaruzelski proposed to resign two months after the Sejm approves an amendment to the Constitution that would set rules of the election of a new presdient.

Following the approval of the resolution, the Sejm is expected to pass the amendment during another session scheduled to open next Thursday.

The general was elected to a six-year term 13 months ago as a result of an agreement between Solidarity and Communist authorities that allowed the union to participate in parliamentary elections. Solidarity won and installed its government.

The approved resolution also said the Sejm and the Senate were ready to dissolve themselves in the next three months, and ''the presidential election will take place not later than in December of 1990.''

Some deputies warned a new president will not do much to improve the country's troubled economic situation, and pointed out the cost of an election could be as high as $18 million.

''No new president will change the Polish economic situation,'' said Solidarity deputy Adam Michnik in reference to economic transformations from communism to capitalism that further deteriorated living standards.'' No short cut to prosperity is possible.''

Solidarity Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki favors holding both presidential and parliamentary elections early next spring, and his plan brought about a rift between him and Walesa. A government source said Mazowiecki will soon announce his own plans to run for president.

Gabriel Janowski, an official from the Rural Solidarity, said his party will urge Andrzej Stelmachowski, the chairman of the Senate, to run. Stelmachowski, an expert on agriculture, refused comment on the Rural Solidarity's proposal.

The Union of the Real Policy, the party in favor of the speedy institution of capitalism in Poland, said its leader Janusz Korwin-Mikke will also run, an indication Walesa may have to compete against several presidential candidates.

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#90264u1841 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

McLEAN, VA (SEPT. 21) UPI - Primark Corp. said Friday it has sold Health Information International to American Capital and Research Corp. for an undisclosed amount of cash and shares of ACR's Class A unregistered common stock.

Primark said Health Information International, formerly called Hospital Satellite Network, broadcasts closed-circuit medical education television programs to hospitals.

''The sale of HII constitutes another step towards divesting businesses that

do not meet our long-term strategic objectives,'' Primark Chairman Joseph Kasputys said in a statement.

''Primark could realize a minimum of $11.6 million in cash proceeds, combining the cash received at the transaction closing, tax benefits and the cash proceeds which could be received from the sale of the ACR shares,'' he said.

''These proceeds will be added to our existing cash to invest in businesses that fit our long-term growth strategy,'' Kasputys said.

Primark, a holding company, is a diversified businesses primarily engaged in financial, ground transport, electronic medical claims processing and aircraft maintenance services.

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#90264u1854 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) UPI - The Resolution Trust Corp.'s oversight board announced Friday it has instructed staff to review whether the federal government should provide more financing for buyers of failed savings and loans.

The panel also instructed its staff to ''begin an immediate review'' of the controversial sale of failed thrifts by the defunct Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corp. in 1988 and 1989.

The RTC has since become the agency charged with selling assets of failed thrifts.

''While the oversignt board has already provided substantial authority for seller financing, it appears that a review of the policy is in order,'' said Peter Monroe, president of the board.

''In creating a policy, seller financing must balance the goals of increased volume and higher sales prices with the risks that inadequate buyer capital may cause seller loans to default with deteriorating assets reverting back to the government,'' Monroe said.

The board said that it decided to ask for further study of the issue after hearing a report at its Thursday meeting by RTC Chairman William Seidman and Philip Searle, a member of an advisory panel.

Both Seidman and Searle said there is substantial interest in financing by the government agency.

Meanwhile, the oversight board said it also asked staff to provide ''ranges of policy alternatives'' regarding the FSLIC's hurried sale of thrifts, mainly in the Southwest, which could cost up to $69 billion.

Seidman said Thursday that the United States could save at least $4 billion on the thrift bailout if an additional $18 billion to $20 billion is spent in fiscal 1991. A large portion would go toward prepayment of $11.3 billion in promissory notes stemming from the FSLIC sale.

The RTC has already asked for $100 billion for fiscal 1991, which begins Oct. 1. Until the agency's budget is approved, however, the RTC has only $13 billion to carry it through the end of the next quarter.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Afffliated Fund 9.12 9.78

Anchor Fund Inv	14.04	14.90
Delaware Mutual	16.50	17.69
Fidelity Fund	16.23	16.23
Investors Mutual	10.48	11.03
Investors Stocks	17.61	18.54
Investors Select	8.19	8.63
IDS Equity Plus	8.69	9.14
Mass Inv Growth	7.88	8.50
Nicholas Fund	3.26	3.26
United Accumulated	6.19	6.77
United Income	16.14	17.64
Vanguard Wellington	15.70	15.70

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#90264u1891 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) UPI - Here is the list of 49 wines detained as of Sept. 12 by the Food and Drug Administration because they contain residues of the pesticide procymidone:

French Barton & Guestier Saint Louis Beaujolais, vintage 1989. Barton & Guestier Blanc de Blanc Bordeaux, 1989. Barton & Guestier Sauvignon Blanc Bordeaux, 1989. Bouchard Pere & Fils Le Chamville Beaujolais-Villages, 1988. Louis Jadot Beaujolais-Villages Jadot, 1988. Louis Jadot Beaujolais-Villages, 1989. Louis Jadot Beaujolais Jadot, 1989. Bernard Morey Chassagne-Montrachet Rouge, 1988. Louis Eschenauer Graves Red Bordeaux, 1987. Louis Eschenauer Louis de Camponac Sauvignon Wine, 1988. Louis Eschenauer Bordeaux Blanc, 1988. Louis Eschanauer Chateau Viaud Bordeaux Superior, 1986. Georges Duboeuf Beaujolais-Villages, 1989. Georges Duboeuf Fleurie Red Beaujolais, 1989. Georges Duboeuf Beaujolais, 1989. Georges Duboeuf Cuvee Blanc, no vintage. Georges Duboeuf Pouilly-Fuisse White Burgundy, 1989. Riviera Pacific Place D'Argent Chardonnay, 1988. Maurice Barbou Touraine Sauvignon, 1989. Prats Freres Maitre d'Estournel White Bordeaux, 1988. Les Vins des Grandes Vignobles

Chateau Cos D'Estournel Red Wine, 1987. Jaboulet-Vercherre Pouilly-Fuisse Still White Burgundy Wine. Marcel Deiss & Fils Gewurtztraminer White Alsace Bergheim Wine, 1988. Paul Jaboulet Aine Hermitage La Chapelle Red Wine, 1988. Les Domaines Grassa Terroir Calcaire White Gascogne Wine, 1989. J. Moreau & Fils Vouvray Loire White Table Wine, 1988. Pasquier-Desvignes Marquisat Beaujolais Villages Red Table Wine, 1989. Jalibert Vin de Pays Charentais Blanc de Blancs White Table Wine, 1989. Louis Dupre Vouvray White Loire Wine, 1988. Louis Dupre Muscadet de Sevre & Maine White Loire Wine, 1988. Armand Roux Verdillac White Bordeaux Wine, 1988. Chateau de Montcontour Vouvray White Loire Wine, 1988. Andre Lorton Chateau Bonnet Entre-Deux-Mers White Table Wine 1989. Les Vins George DuBouef Regnie Red Beaujolais, 1989. R. Junot et Fils Dry White Table Wine, no vintage. Maison Louis Latour Beaujolais Villages, 1989. Graneru Intrepot Vinicole Reserve Special Pauillac Red Wine, Domaines Barons de Rothschild brand, 1989.

Italian Ferrari Brut Wine, no vintage. Ferrari Brut Rose Wine, 1986. L.L. Ruffino Libaio Chardonnay, 1989. G & V s.c.r.l. Cella Asti Spumante Italian Sparkling Wine, no vintage. O.P.E.V.I.S. Cusano Asti White Italian Sparkling Wine, no vintage. Castello de Gabbiano Vino Spumante Di Qualita Brut, no vintage. Cantine MezzaCorona Trentino Cabernet Sauvignon, 1988. Cantine MezzaCorona Trentino Chardonnay, 1989. Cantine MezzaCorona Trentino Pinot Grigio White Wine, 1989. C.S.C.M. Bollini Pinot Grigio White Wine, 1988. C.S.C.M. Bollini Chardonnay Trentino, 1988.

Spain Marques de Muller S.A. Artanan Dry White Wine, 1989.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 21) UPI - Three months after declaring the spotted owl a threatened species, the administration proposed Friday curtailing the amount of logging permitted on national forests in the Northwest by nearly 17 percent next year to protect the bird.

The administration presented its plan as an attempt to strike a balance between the interests of environmentalists and those of the timber industry, but it drew quick condemnation from both sides.

The conservation strategy, the product of a task force headed by Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter, allows the U.S. Forest Service to sell 3.2 billion board feet of timber in Oregon and Washington during the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1.

That figure is 650 million board feet, or 16.8 percent, below the volume allowed for sale last year and represents the smallest quantity of timber the Forest Service has made available for logging in the Northwest in at least a decade.

However, the cutbacks proposed Friday are far less drastic than logging restrictions recommended in April by a panel of government scientists led by Forest Service biologist Jack Ward Thomas.

The Thomas plan, which calls for setting aside large tracts of older forests to protect the owl's habitat, would reduce timber harvests in the national forests of Oregon and Washington to 2.6 billion board feet a year.

It takes about 10,000 board feet of lumber to build a typical single- family wood-frame house.

The government had predicted that logging restrictions under the Thomas plan would cost 28,000 jobs in the Pacific Northwest by the year 2000.

The timber industry, forecasting even higher job losses, has said adoption of the Thomas recommendations would spell disaster for dozens of rural communities in the Northwest whose economies are built around logging.

With those dire predictions, the question of how to protect the owl, listed as a threatened species June 22, with the least possible economic pain has posed one of the greatest environmental challenges facing the Bush administration.

''The (administration) task force sought to balance conservation of the spotted owl and the economic well-being of families who live in the region,'' Yeutter and Interior Secretary Manual Lujan said in a joint statement announcing their plan.

Mark Rey, executive director of the American Forest Resource Alliance, said if harvest levels under the plan are ''projected outward'' over future years, ''we will see tens of thousands of jobs lost.''

''This proposed plan would make workers in the Pacific Northwest and endangered species,'' said Michael Draper, executive secretary of the Western Council of Industrial Workers.

But Syd Butler, a vice president of The Wilderness Society, called the administration plan ''a dismal display of politics over science,'' and predicted it ''will be DOA (dead on arrival) in Congress.''

''This plan not only ensures the decline of spotted owls, but the continued loss of other animal and plant species,'' Butler said.

The three-page statement gave no indication of how the proposed harvest level would be achieved except to say, ''Nothing in the task force's recommendations would require sales of timber from habitat conservation areas'' suggested by the Thomas committee.

Yeutter and Lujan called on Congress to act quickly to adopt their proposal

with legislation that provides ''insulation'' from the law governing forest management and the National Environmental Policy Act.

''We do not recommend precluding judicial review,'' the statement said, referring to limits on possible court challenges. ''However, Congress must adopt language that requires implementation of the elements proposed in this plan, notwithstanding the terms of these statutes.''

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Potlatch Corp	Q	.33	12-3	11-14
Reduced				
Midlantic Corp	Q	.25	10-15	10-1
Usual				
Allstate Mcpl Inc Tr	M	.065	10-19	10-5
Allstate Mcpl Inc Tr	M	.065	11-23	11-9
Allstate Mcpl Inc Tr	M	.065	12-21	12-7
Allstate Mcpl IT II	M	.061	10-19	10-5
Allstate Mcpl IT II	M	.061	11-23	11-9
Allstate Mcpl IT II	M	.061	12-21	12-7
Allstate Mcpl IT III	M	.055	10-19	10-5
Allstate Mcpl IT III	M	.055	11-23	11-9
Allstate Mcpl IT III	M	.055	12-21	12-7
Allstate Mcpl IOT	M	.07	10-19	10-5
Allstate Mcpl IOT	M	.07	11-23	11-9
Allstate Mcpl IOT	M	.07	12-21	12-7
Allstate Mcpl IOT II	M	.065	10-19	10-5
Allstate Mcpl IOT II	M	.065	11-23	11-9
Allstate Mcpl IOT II	M	.065	12-21	12-7
Allstate Mcpl IOT III	M	.05	10-19	10-5
Allstate Mcpl PIT	M	.0575	10-19	10-5
Aon Corp	Q	.38	11-19	11-6
Continental Homes Hldg	Q	.05	10-19	9-21
Dean Witter Govt IT	M	.07	10-19	10-5
Dean Witter Govt IT	M	.07	11-23	11-9
Dean Witter Govt IT	M	.07	12-21	12-7
Fletcher Challenge Cda	..	.10	11-1	10-8
Graco Inc	Q	.15	11-7	10-3
High Income Advtg Tr	M	.075	10-19	10-5
High Income Advtg Tr	M	.075	11-23	11-9
High Income Advtg Tr	M	.075	12-21	12-7
High Income AT II	M	.09	10-19	10-5
High Income AT II	M	.09	11-23	11-9

High Income AT II	M	.09	12-21	12-7
High Income AT III	M	.095	10-19	10-5
High Income AT III	M	.095	11-23	11-9
High Income AT III	M	.095	12-21	12-7
Holly Corp	Q	.12	10-19	10-5
Hyperion Total RFI	..	.10	10-15	10-3
Lawrence Insurance	..	.09	11-20	10-16
Milton Roy Co	Q	.14	12-14	11-15
Penn Central Corp	Q	.12	10-12	10-1
RF&P Corp	Q	.30	11-1	10-1
Western Fedl Svgs Bk	Q	.20	10-16	10-1

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 21) UPI - Non-aligned members of the U.N. Security Council are considering ways to implement a 1978 resolution that demanded Israel withdraw from Lebanon, and they threatened measures similar to those taken against Iraq if Israel refused, diplomats said Friday.

Non-aligned countries have complained that the United States, and to a certain extent, the council, have imposed a double standard in enforcing U.N. resolutions against Iraq while sparing Israel, which has maintained troops in southern Lebanon since its invasion in 1978.

The diplomats said representatives from non-aligned countries discussed their action Thursday afternoon in an informal meeting of the 15-nation Security Council on the situation in southern Lebanon.

They said the president of the council, Soviet Ambassador Yuliy Vorontsov, will send a letter next week to Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar urging him to demand the implementation of the resolution.

The diplomats said the non-aligned members wanted the council to force Israel to carry out Resolution 425, adopted in March 1978, after Israeli troops invaded Lebanon in retaliation for a raid March 11 by the Palestine Liberation Organization. Israeli authorities said 37 Israelis were killed and 76 others wounded.

Resolution 425 asked that Israel withdraw from Lebanon. The council adopted resolution 426 to set up a peacekeeping force in southern Lebanon to oversee the Israeli withdrawal.

The diplomats said Cuba and Yemen proposed that sanctions be applied against Israel if it refused to pull out. Other non-aligned countries in the Security Council are Ethiopia, Zaire, Cote d'Ivoire, Malaysia and Colombia.

Perez de Cuellar reported to the council in July, when the council renewed the six-month mandate of the peace force, that peacekeepers cannot carry out their duty of maintaining security in the area because of the presence of Israeli troops and the pro-Israel South Lebanon Army.

The Security Council has adopted seven resolutions against Iraq for invading Kuwait Aug. 2. Because Iraq rejected U.N. demands to withdraw, the council imposed severe economic sanctions as a punishment.

The non-aligned members, particularly Arab countries, have voiced strong objection to U.S. support of Israel in the Middle East. But these countries failed so far to enact any resolutions against Israel because of the U.S. veto in the council.

The United States, the Soviet Union, France, China and Britain are the five permanent members of the council with the right to veto over any measures they consider against their national interests.

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HONOLULU (SEPT. 22) UPI - Hawaii voters go to the polls Saturday to decide the nominees for three of the state's four seats in Congress, making this a watershed year in island politics.

Voters will pick party nominees for the two House seats vacated by incumbent Democrat Daniel Akaka and Republican Patricia Saiki, who are among those vying for the Senate seat formerly held by the late Spark Matsunaga.

Akaka and Saiki are expected to win their primary races and square- off in a close contest that could change the party leadership of the Senate, which the Democrats now hold by a slim 55-45 margin.

Akaka, 65, was in the House from 1976 until he was appointed earlier this year to fill the Senate seat until the election. Saiki, 60, won election to the House in 1986 and was re-elected handily two years later.

Challenging Akaka for the Democratic nomination is Paul Snider, while Saiki faces Republican Molokai rancher Maria Hustace, writer Robert Zimmerman, and perennial GOP candidate Richard ''Ike'' Sutton in the primary.

Vying to replace Akaka in the 1st House district are Matsunaga's son, Matthew, an attorney, as well as state Sen. Norman Mizuguchi and former Senator, Councilman, and Rep. Neil Abercrombie, have to have a lead in polls.

Abercrombie won a special election four years ago and served for several months as a congressman, but he lost the Democratic primary to Mufi Hannemann. Saiki won the seat in the general election.

Running in the Republican primary are state House leader Michael Liu, John Sabey, and Frank Hutchinson.

Former Rep. Patsy Mink, D-Hawaii, seeking to reclaim her seat in the 2nd House District, is vying with businessman Hannemann and state senators Ron Menor and Michael Crozier.

Polls indicate Mink is in the lead, but she is trying to hold off a growing challenge from Hannemann. The Republican candidates are Andrew Poepoe, Stanley Monsef, and Jose Pillos.

Confusing the issue for some voters will be a special election in the 2nd District to fill the last few months of Akaka's term. All candidates for the regular term, except Crozier, are running for the temporary term and one person - A. Duane Black - is running only for the three-month term.

Democratic Gov. John Waihee is up for re-election and is expected to win the nomination after a challenge from Robert Garner, Ben Hopkins, and Elbert Marshall.

Expected to be the Republican challenger is businessman and state House member Fred Hemmings, a former professional surfer, who is opposed by Leonard Mednick Charles Hirayasu, Ichiro Izuka, Robert Measel Jr., and U'o Herman.

The four candidates for Lieutenant Governor, including incumbent Ben Cayetano, are unopposed in the primary.

The state legislature is certain to remain Democratic, with no Republican candidates in more than half of the legislative races.

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(SEPT. 21) UPI - Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor has agreed to a unilateral cease-fire scheduled to begin at midnight. The word comes as 12-hundred additional Nigerian soldiers prepare to join four-thousand peace-keeping troops in the war-torn west African country. Rival rebel factions are battling with the remaining loyalist forces in a bid to seize power in Liberia.

New court documents allege fired Exxon Valdez Captain Joseph Hazelwood ''regularly hosted drinking parties'' on Exxon tankers before the disastrous Alaska oil spill. The Justice Department also says the Exxon Corporation had evidence showing the skipper and helmsman were UNfit for duty when the tanker smashed into Bligh Reef last year.

California Governor George Deukmejian has signed a bill into law creating an

earthquake-insurance fund for each of the state's six-and-a-half-Million homes. California homeowners will pay a 12- to 60-dollar-a-year surcharge on their insurance, beginning next July, to sustain the fund. Deukmejian proposed mandatory quake insurance in his state of the state address last January.

Nevada's notorious Mustang Ranch remains closed in a bankruptcy case, but has been assigned to the care of the Internal Revenue Service. The brothel was closed earlier this week when the owner missed a 75- thousand-dollar installment on back taxes. A court-appointed trustee had hoped to reopen the place in order to pay off the debts. But a U-S bankruptcy judge today ruled that the I-R-S must decide how to collect the money.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 21) UPI - Forty dentists from around the country have filed a class-action suit against the American Dental Association, charging it with fraud in claiming fluoridated water and silver fillings are safe.

The suit, filed in U.S. District Court Thursday, also claimed the dentists, members of the Safe Water Foundation, have been harassed by the ADA and that their professional reputations have been attacked.

Dr. John Yiamouyiannis of Delaware, Ohio, president of the foundation, said the ADA has deceived the American public with assurances about water fluoridation and mercury amalgam fillings (also called silver fillings) to protect its reputation and to avoid liability suits.

''The American Dental Association has claimed,'' Yiamouyiannis said, ''that artificially fluoridated water does not cause dental fluorosis (the first sign of visible fluoride poisoning, which appears as white, chalky areas on the teeth), despite recent studies showing that more than 20 percent to 30 percent of the children growing up in artificially fluoridated areas suffer from dental fluorosis.''

A spokesman for the ADA said the organization would not comment until it had seen the lawsuit.

Yiamouyiannis also attacked the ADA's claim that fluoride posed no genetic hazard, saying ''virtually all studies directly measuring the ability of fluoride to cause genetic damage have shown that it does cause genetic damage, even at levels ... below those used to fluoridate public water supplies.''

The suit also criticized ADA studies showing reduce tooth decay in children in fluoridated areas, saying ''all recent large scale studies ... have shown there has been no statistically significant reduction in decay rates'' because of fluoridated water.

The ADA, the suit said, also continues to promote the use of mercury amalgam fillings despite evidence showing it increases mercury levels in the body, leading to impaired kidney function.

In addition to fraud, the suit charged the ADA with breach of contract for allegedly failing to provide the public with accurate information. It seeks unspecified damages and an injunction barring the ADA from disseminating the information.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta Thursday issued a report saying the government will not reach its 1990 goal of having fluoridated water available to 95 percent of Americans who use public water supplies.

At least 39 percent of people who use public water supplies do not drink fluoridated water, the CDC reported.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 21) UPI - Treasury bond prices ended modestly lower Friday on concerns the Federal Reserve is unlikely to ease monetary policy and indications federal budget negotiations are stalled, analysts said.

The key 30-year bond, the 8 3/4 of 2020, ended at 96 6/32 to yield 9.12 percent, compared with 97 6/32 and 9.02 percent a week before.

In Congressional testimony this week, Federal Reserve Board chairman Alan Greenspan said the core rate of inflation in consumer prices may have crept higher and chances for a break in the inflationary trend ''would seem to have diminished,'' particularly in light of higher oil prices.

His comments were taken by analysts to indicate the Fed would not be likely to ease credit until Congress passes a budget package.

''Fed Chairman Greenspan's congressional testimony this week echoed the Fed's apparent shift in priorities earlier this summer away from combating inflation and in favor of fending off recession,'' said Salomon Brothers Inc. in ''Comments on Credit.''

''Along with his assessment that we are not in recession, investors interpreted this as a signal that no easing in the funds rate is imminent,'' they wrote.

Signs that deficit reduction talks are stalled further depressed bond prices on the week, analysts said.

''The Federal budget negotiators are at an impasse, leading to

market-unsettling proposals to delay the October 1 Gramm-Rudman spending reductions,'' wrote Philip Braverman in DKB Securities Corp.'s ''Weekly Credit Market Report.''

''The budget negotiators remain so far apart on the detailed steps to achieve their $50 billion fiscal 1991 deficit reduction target, that it is beginning to look like only about half their deficit reduction objective will be reached '' he wrote.

Treasury's auction next week of $11.5 billion in two-year notes and $8.25 billion in four-year notes could be supported by the government's GNP report Tuesday, in which a significant downward revision is likely, Braverman added.

''War fears, higher oil prices, the impasse over the budget deficit accord, the Fed hesitancy to ease, and new supply can push bond yields higher,'' he concluded. ''But the developing recession makes a significant cyclical decline in market yields inevitable.''

Ten-year Treasury notes ended at 98 16/32 to yield 8.98 percent, vs. 99 6/32 and 8.87 percent one week earlier. Five-year notes ended at 99 19/32 to yield 8.59 percent, compared with 100 and 8.49 percent.

Three-year Treasury notes closed at 99 9/32 to yield 8.28 percent, compared with 99 16/32 and 8.19 percent. Two-year notes were at 100 1/32 to yield 8.10 percent, vs. 100 6/32 and 8.02 percent.

Six-month Treasury bills were discounted at a rate of 7.34 percent to yield 7.72 percent, vs. a 7.27 percent discount and 7.64 percent yield. Three-month T-bills ended at a discount of 7.36 percent to yield 7.60 percent, vs. the previous week's discount of 7.37 percent and 7.60 percent yield.

Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc.'s index of long-term Treasury bonds fell in the week to 1,224.30, off 08.97 points, vs. 1,234.92 a week earlier.

The Federal funds rate closed at 8 1/8 percent, above its perceived target rate of 8 percent. The key Fed funds rate, the interest rate banks charge each other for overnight loans of reserve funds, is a building block of the U.S. interest rate structure.

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#90264u2036 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL (SEPT. 21) UPI - As Brazil's economy minister headed for Washington, three regional banks and five state credit institutions suffering from financial problems were ordered liquidated by the nation's Central Bank Friday.

Ibrahim Eris, president of the Central Bank, said that the move would ''return

the financial system to normality'' and that in the future the Central Bank would not grant loans to credit institutions with financial problems.

Eris said the liquidated banks were suffering from ''high debt and unfulfilled obligations.''

He named the regional banks liquidated as the banks of Piaui, Rio Grande do Norte and Paraiba. State banks suffering the same fate were Caja Economica of Goias, Paraiban Credito Inmobilario, Piaui Credito Inmobiliario, Bandern Financiera and Bandern Inmobiliaria.

The banks had a total of 263 branches throughout the country.

Meanwhile, Economy Minister Zelia Cardoso de Mello flew to Washington Friday for the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund.

Brazil, going through an economic austerity plan, is expecting the IMF to approve credit totaling $2 billion that would be issued in installments until the end of 1991.

Last week, Cardoso said that Brazil would seek to negotiate its official debt with the Paris Club, consisting of the Western industrial countries and Japan, pending IMF approval of a letter of intent concerning Brazil's plans for stabilizing the economy.

She said before the end of the year Brazil hopes to renegotiate its debt with international private banks.

Brazil, with total foreign debt of $116 billion, is $10 billion behind in interest payments following a moratorium on such payments ordered in June 1989.

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#90264u2077 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NORFOLK, Va. (SEPT. 21) UPI - Desertion charges are pending against a sailor who claimed he fled the Navy because he feared unsafe conditions aboard the nuclear-powered submarine USS Finback, a Navy spokesman said Friday.

Petty Officer 2nd Class Jason Jensen, 23, was in custody at Norfolk Naval Base said Lt. Cmdr. David Morris, a spokesman for the Atlantic Fleet Submarine Force.

Jensen was arrested Thursday at a local motel by agents of the Naval Investigative Service.

The machinist's mate from Las Vegas went awol in June, saying he was worried about the potential for an accident involving the Finback's reactor or other equipment.

Jensen and several other sailors allege personnel training records and water purity checks related to the Finback's steam plant were falsified.

Navy officials have acknowledged job qualification cards for eight sailors were falsely certified and are investigating the allegations.

Morris said the problems did not jeopardize the safety of the submarine or its crew. The submarine returned to port in Norfolk this week after exercises off the Atlantic Coast.

Jensen told local reporters that he had spent the past few months in the Midwest and Canada, hiding for a time in Vancouver, British Columbia with members of the environmental group Greenpeace.

He said he returned to Norfolk with the intention of turning himself in. But at the time he was arrested, Morris said Jensen had not contacted Navy officials concerning his whereabouts.

''I only regret the decision in that I didn't stay and fight,'' Jensen told The Virginian-Pilot newspaper of Norfolk. ''Beforehand I didn't have the moral strength or the drive to stand up to (the alleged improprieties) when they happened.''

Late Friday, Morris said the Navy had not formally filed charges against Jensen but they were pending. Jensen could face a court martial or a less severe type of punishment, known as a captain's mast, Morris said.

Jensen and other sailors alleged in letters sent to congressmen and environmental groups that senior crew members aboard the Finback falsified personnel training records and chemistry checks on the sub's steam plant during an overhaul at Norfolk Naval Shipyard between July 1987 and December 1989.

The overhaul took nine months longer than normal and cost $114.1 million - about $14 million over budget.

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#90264u2096 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - President Bush says if the United Nations votes to tighten economic sanctions against Iraq with an air embargo, then the ''United States would do its part'' to interdict planes bound for Iraq. But the president rejected suggestions the United States and Iraq are moving closer to war. He repeated his hope that the Persian Gulf crisis can be resolved through peaceful means. .

Bush is dismissing reports that Iran has struck a secret deal to breach the

U-N-backed economic blockade against Iraq. Speaking to reporters in Washington before leaving for Camp David for the weekend... Bush said he believes Iran is supporting the embargo. The president did acknowledge food may be getting across the border, but noted Iran has publicly said it would NOT permit any shipping in its territorial waters.

The federal government has named presidential son Neil Bush in a 200-Million-dollar lawsuit against the former officers and directors of the Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan Association. The federal suit... filed in Denver... accuses Silverado's management of gross negligence. Bush already is slated to defend himself before a judge on conflict-of- interest charges stemming from his dealings at Silverado.

Former Lincoln Savings and Loan operator Charles Keating remains in custody at the Los Angeles County Jail after a judge today refused to reduce his five-Million-dollar bail. Keating's lawyers pledged yesterday that if freed, their client would NOT attempt to flee the country. But the judge rejected those pleas today... saying the amount of money Keating is accused of cheating investors out ofMillion dollars- makes him a candidate to jump bail.

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#90264u2113 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - The F-D-A is holding up the importation of 49 French, Italian and Spanish wines containing a pesticide used in Europe. Federal officials in Washington say they need more information from the pesticide's manufacturer before it can make a final determination on the wines' safety. A preliminary assessment indicates the pesticide residue levels do NOT pose a health risk.

Federal drug agents have seized four World War Two cargo planes in Wisconsin that had allegedly been modified for use in drug-running from Latin America. The D-C-3's were equipped with engines that would've increased their capacity, range and top speed. The Oshkosh firm that modified the planes was apparently UNaware of their intended use and faces NO criminal charges in the case.

Syndicated columnist Jack Anderson says he was hit on the head and mugged yesterday afternoon outside his office in downtown Washington. The 67-year-old Anderson adds that it's ''outrageous'' that a mugging could occur- in his words- ''just eight blocks from the White House and across from a busy thoroughfare.'' Anderson says the mugging left him ''about 100 dollars poorer and with a monstrous headache.''

Sea World officials are probing the mysterious death of the Orlando, Florida, park's lone male killer whale. The 22-foot-long, one-thousand- pound whale... known as Kanduke... died last night from an illness that was first noticed only last Tuesday. The death of the whale prompted dolphin rights advocate Richard O'Barry to call for a boycott of products made by the park's parent

company, Anheuser-Busch.

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#90264u2118 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
MILWAUKEE (SEPT. 21) UPI - Miller Brewing Co. said Friday it is donating 32,340 cases of non-alcoholic Sharp's beer to U.S. forces stationed in Saudi Arabia.

The first shipment of 4,312 cases will leave Charleston, S.C., Oct. 6 via ship and is scheduled to arrive in Saudi Arabia in late October.

Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, said the shipment will be appreciated by the soldiers.

''It's always a big boost to our troops' morale to have familiar American products at hand when they're far away from home,'' he said.

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#90264u2131 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (SEPT. 21) UPI - A federal regulatory agency has approved the sale of Great American Savings branches in the Chicago and Peoria areas.

The Resolution Trust Company said Friday most of Great American's Chicago branches will begin operations Monday as branches of the First National Bank of Chicago. Five of the 21 Chicago-area branches, however, will be closed.

All of Great American's offices in the Peoria area will reopen Monday under the operation of First Financial Bank of Stevens Point, Wis.

The agency said Great American depositors can automatically continue to conduct business at their former branches, except for the five being closed in Chicago and suburbs.

Depositors with accounts at any closed branch can conduct business at any of those remaining open.

The RTC said all checks drawn on Great American will continue to be honored and deposits will continue to be insured under the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Savings Association Insurance Fund.

RTC Executive Director David Cooke said the branch sale was the least costly of 36 proposed sales plans.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Baseball

Cleveland - Claimed pitcher Steve Cummings off waivers from Toronto.

Basketball

Albany (CBA) - Named Marc Kestecher director of media and public relations.

Cleveland - Announced they matched Minnesota's offer sheet to guard Steve Kerr.

Denver - Agreed with guard Michael Adams on a 5-year contract extension.

College

Yale - Named Cecilia Demarco women's basketball coach.

Football

LA Rams - Signed kicker John Carney; placed tight end Richard Ashe on injured reserve.

Philadelphia - Waived quarterback Ben Brown; activated tight end Keith Jackson.

San Diego - Signed free agent wide receiver Scott Schwedes; placed wide receiver Ron Heard on injured reserve.

Washington - Placed safety Clarence Vaughn on injured reserve; activated cornerback Wayne Davis.

World League of American Football - Named Vince Casey information director.

Hockey

Edmonton - Returned left wing Sergei Yashin to Moscow Dynamo of the Soviet National League; returned left wing Roman Bozek to Ceske Budejovice of the Czechoslovakian National Hockey League; assigned center Petr Korinek to Cape Breton of the American Hockey League.

San Diego (IHL) - Signed working agreement with Detroit Red Wings.

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#90264u2154 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

PROVO, UT (SEPT. 21) UPI - A dinosaur embryo, believed to be the oldest ever unearthed in North America, was discovered by a Brigham Young University student on a remote southwestern Colorado mountain, BYU officials said Friday.

''The find is significant,'' said geology professor Wade Miller, director of the BYU Earth Science Museum, because no dinosaur eggshell as old as the one found in Colorado and with such an advanced embryo - near the hatching stage - ''has been reported in North America.''

The embryo is a Dryosaurus dinosaur, believed to be 135 million to 150 million years old, Miller said. BYU geology student Rod Scheetz discovered pieces of the embryo and eggshell at a road-construction site near Uravan, Colo., a tiny community of about 800 residents.

''Any dinosaur embryo is rare and important,'' said Miller. ''This discovery helps us study dinosaurs at early stages, a major gap in our knowledge of dinosaur development.''

Dryosaurus, first discovered in 1876, has been compared with the modern gazelle, because of its slender build and long, agile hind legs. The herbivore with teeth was a member of the hypsilophodontids, a family of small- to medium-sized dinosaurs.

The dinosaurs grew to up to 13 feet in length and had long, powerful hind legs for running and strong arms, each ending with five fingers for grasping, Miller said.

They also had sharp-ridged cheek teeth and probably nipped vegetation off with a bony beak and chopped leaves and shoots. Their remains also have been found in East Africa.

Scheetz discovered the embryonic fossils in May, while working with the Museum of Western Colorado in an area west of the BYU Earth Science Museum's Dry Mesa dinosaur quarry, in southwestern Colorado, about 20 miles east of the Utah-Colorado state line.

The discovery included vertebrae and jaw fragments, showing two erupting teeth each a little more than a millimeter - about four- hundredths of an inch - wide.

''The skeletal elements appear to be well-developed in both teeth and vertebrae,'' said Miller, ''which indicates the dinosaur was ready to emerge from its shell. The teeth have not even erupted fully from the jaw and show no wear, an indication to us of its embryonic stage.''

Scheetz said he discovered the embryo among fossils of more mature Dryosaurus remains scattered on a mound. Also included in the pile were eggshells, unidentified plant matter, and other bone fragments.

The area had been damaged by a bulldozer excavating a road, which Scheetz said he initially found upsetting, until he speculated the embryo might not have

been found had it not been pushed above ground.

Fragments found at the site also indicated eight sizes of juvenile fossils, said Miller.

''It's also rare to find a juvenile site,'' he said.

Preliminary estimates by Scheetz indicate 80 percent of the bones are from Dryosaurus, with some others being crocodilian and mammalian in appearance.

''The area has the potential of being a nesting site,'' said Scheetz. ''We're excited to do more work in the area.''

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#90264u2215 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - The following is Money Magazine's Small Investor Index (Dec. 31, 1989 average equals 100):

This week 99.00, off 0.71 or 0.71 percent, compared with 99.71 the previous week.
The week's change for each asset:

Category	PC Chg. Index	PC Chg. Week Ago	PC Chg. Year Ago
Stocks			
Blue chips	91.16	off 2.16	off 6.71
Small stocks	80.99	off 3.12	off 21.96
Equity funds	91.35	off 2.51	off 8.42
Bonds			
Taxable bonds	102.58	off 0.14	up 5.88
Municipal bonds	103.87	up 1.54	up 7.40
Bond funds	100.00	off 0.47	up 1.01
Cash			
CDs	105.76	up 0.14	up 8.02
Money funds	104.35	up 0.11	up 6.03
Other			
Real estate	101.16	off 0.20	up 1.86
Gold	88.76	up 0.32	up 7.47

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#90264u2266 09/21/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 21) UPI - Iraq today retaliated for Western expulsions of its foreign envoys by kicking out 21 Western diplomats... including three Americans. The State Department in turn ordered the staff of the Iraqi embassy in Washington reduced from 19 to 16.

A former U-S ambassador to the United Nations says there is a more than 50-50 chance war will soon break out in the Middle East. Jeanne Kirkpatrick... at a Republican fundraiser today in Indianapolis... also predicted Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will eventually be ousted.

A judge in Orange, California, today ordered a newborn boy to live with the man and woman who provided the sperm and egg which conceived him. The judge also ruled that the surrogate mother... who carried the baby to term and bore him... can visit him daily until a more permanent arrangement is decided.

Jurors in Norfolk, Virginia, adjourned today withOUT reaching a verdict in the trial of a Christian Broadcasting Network engineer charged with overriding soft-porn cable programing with religious messages. The messages told viewers to repent and heed the word of God.

Investigators say weakened wood on a pier contributed to Sunday's explosion that killed a man aboard a tanker in Michigan's Saginaw River. An attorney for one of the crewmen suing the vessel's owners says complaints about fire dangers on the gasoline tanker were ignored.

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#90264u2274 09/21/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 21) UPI - Soviet President Gorbachev today urged Parliament to get moving and approve a plan for a radical transition to a free market system. But legislators put off until Monday a vote that could change how the Soviet Union does business.

The government of Gabon says it is reacting to allegations of widespread fraud by annulling the vote in 62 of 120 constituencies in the African country's first multi-party elections. A second round of the contest has been postponed until October.

Stocks closed broadly lower today amid a further oil price surge and news of trouble at a major New York money-center bank. The fall was worsened by ''triple-witching hour'' expirations of stock-index futures and options.

Three Hispanic women have filed a lawsuit against an Oregon tavern that allegedly threw them out because they were speaking Spanish. The tavern owner says NON-English speakers are NOT served because employees canNOT understand them.

Florida Governor Bob Martinez today called for the immediate resignation of a circuit judge who freed a convicted rapist while saying the victim was partly to blame for the attack. The judge said the woman victimized men who cared for her.

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#90265b0263 09/22/1990 ~Business Wire

RALEIGH, NC (SEPT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - First Citizens BancShares Inc. has acquired certain assets and assumed the deposits of Charlotte-based North Carolina Savings and Loan Association F.A. (formerly North Carolina Federal) and Monroe-based Heritage Federal Savings & Loan Association from the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC).

First Citizens Bank assumed the deposits of both thrifts at the close of business on Friday, Sept. 21, according to James B. Hyler Jr., First Citizens' president, who made the announcement Saturday. First Citizens had acquired about $485 million in total deposits and extended its service areas to seven new cities in three new counties. The bank also has strengthened its position in eight existing markets, Hyler said.

Services to the former thrift customers will continue without interruption. ''First Citizens is committed to making the transition as smooth as possible for our new customers,'' Hyler said.

All 27 offices of North Carolina Savings and Heritage Federal will open Monday Sept. 24, as First Citizens Bank offices. Hyler said that First Citizens will elect to consolidate some of the offices located in close proximity to each other or to existing First Citizens branches. No decisions have been made as to which offices will be consolidated.

New markets First Citizens will enter as a result of the acquisition are Archdale, Matthews, Marshville, Mint Hill, Monroe, Raeford and Salisbury.

The bank will strengthen existing markets through acquisitions in Albemarle, Charlotte, Cary, High Point, Madison, Raleigh, Smithfield and Winston-Salem.

Hyler said the decision to purchase the thrift institutions was a strategic one. ''We consider the purchase of these savings and loan institutions as an economic and expedient way for us to build and strengthen our market across North Carolina,'' he said. He added that the former thrift customers would be well-served by First Citizens' position of safety and soundness.

First Citizens has been named number one in safety among the country's 150 largest banks for four years running by an independent bank analysis company.

The RTC is a federally chartered corporation created in 1989 by the Financial Institution Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act. Its purpose is to manage and dispose of failed savings and loan associations.

First Citizens Bank is a $4.4 billion statewide financial institution that serves 76 North Carolina counties with 330 branches in 166 towns and cities.

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#90265d2070 09/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (SEPT 22) - The seven major Western industrial democracies will try here Saturday to give markets a clear signal that they intend to move firmly together to meet economic challenges raised by the Gulf crisis, well-placed monetary officials said.

Finance ministers of the Group of Seven (G7) countries -- Britain, Canada, France, West Germany, Italy, Japan and the United States -- were to meet Saturday morning for daylong talks likely to focus on the macro-economic responses to soaring oil prices.

They were also expected to discuss United States and European plans for mobilizing urgent financial assistance to the "frontline states" -- Egypt, Jordan and Turkey -- and to other countries most immediately hit by the fall-out from the Gulf crisis.

The officials expected the seven countries to try to give a "new spin" to their nearly five-year old economic policy coordination process, and to seek "more convergence" among group members' national economic policies.

They saw this as a "confidence-building effort", as industry and business face a bleaker economic outlook and serious uncertainty stemming from the sharp increase in crude prices since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

The officials did not expect the G7 ministers to see any need for concerted efforts to steady exchange rates, as they did after the 1987 Louvre agreement.

But they might warn markets the Group would be ready for "massive" concerted interventions if "disorderly" currency movements followed a possible outbreak of hostilities in the Gulf.

Secondly, they would probably seek to ensure an appropriate "mix" of national policies inside the group to make it clear to the market that G7 coordination continues to work.

As for the macro-economic approach, the seven ministers were bound to reaffirm their resolve to contain inflation and to pursue non-accommodating monetary policies, the officials said.

The Group's message would be "steady as you go" with no changes in policies, and no attempt to offset a fall in real incomes caused by dearer oil.

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#90265d2170 09/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN, (SEPT 22) - Syrian President Hafez al-Assad arrived here Saturday for a three-day visit to be dominated by the Gulf crisis and concern that Iran might be moving closer to its former foe Iraq.

Mr. Assad, making his first trip to Teheran since the Islamic revolution in 1979, told reporters on arrival "We have a lot of things to tell one another and will discuss many things". He was met at the airport by Iranian President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani.

The Syrian leader said the Gulf crisis and the "struggle against the Zionist regime" would be on the agenda. Syria wants to ensure that Iran's improving relations with Iraq will not tempt it to break a trade embargo imposed on Baghhad by the United Nations because of its invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Rafsanjani said he was extremely pleased at Mr. Assad's visit, which came "at an extremely sensisive moment in the history of the region", adding that "Iran and Syria could play a particularly important role."

He noted that the visit coincided with the 10th anniversary of the outbreak of the Iran-Iraq war and paid tribute to Syria's support for Teheran in the conflict.

Iran and Iraq began exchanging prisoners of the Gulf war on August 17, two days after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein accepted Iranian terms for a formal end to the conflict.

Despite the overture from Iraq, Iran has continued to condemn the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and has pledged to honor the U.N. embargo.

The Teheran Times newspaper, which reflects the thinking of President Rafsanjani, reported Saturday that the Iranian leader and Mr. Assad could also discuss the situation of 12 Westerners held in Lebanon, many by pro-Iranian Shiite groups.

"In the past Iran has successfully tried and got released a few hostages in the hope that the Western countries, especially the United States, which had influence over Israel will use (their) leverage and get the Lebanese and Palestinian Moslems free from the clutches of the Zionist regime," the paper said.

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#90265d2480 09/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN, (SEPT 22) - East German Interior Minister Peter-Michael Diestel fears the outbreak of "a kind of civil war" on what is currently East German territory, he has told the West German Bild am Sonntag newspaper.

"There's a tendency to anarchy here and not just in the way people drive," Mr. Diestel said in an interview to be published Sunday. "In my view, it's absolutely essential that the police force is not dismantled prematurely."

He added that internal security in East Germany, which is due to unite with West Germany on October 3, could be compromised by the fact that the Laender, or regional states, will not be fully operational until next year.

The minister urged West German officials to show an "adroit" understanding of East Germany's past.

"You should not systematically get rid of all former members of the old East German communist party, all former collaborators with the Stasi political police, or the diplomats and senior officers," he said.

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#90265d2500 09/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON, (SEPT 22) - The Angolan government has launched a "new kwanza" and will devalue the currency on October 1, the ANGOP news agency said Saturday in a report monitored here.

Angolans have until next Saturday to change their old kwanza, but will initially be paid only five per cent of their holdings in cash, Finance Minister Aguinaldo Jaime said.

The remaining savings will be traded against bonds that cannot be changed for 180 days, he added.

On October 1, the kwanza exchange rate will be set at 60 to the U.S. dollar instead of 30 as at present, Mr. Jaime said.

ANGOP said the measures were aimed at reducing inflation under the government's new economic programme and minimising the effects of having large amounts of money circulating outside the banking system.

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#90265d2510 09/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAINTE-MAXIME, FRANCE, (SEPT 22) - Forest fires raging around France's ropez Mediterranean holiday resort were fanned by strong winds Saturday after destroying more than 7,000 hectares (17,500 acres) of woodland, authorities said.

Large numbers of foreign tourists spent the night in their cars after 1,000 people were evacuated from villas and hotels.

No casualties were reported, but several dozen homes were consumed by the flames.

In Corsica, 2,000 hectares (5,000 acres) of scrub and pine forest were burned before fire-fighters brought fires under control Saturday in various parts of the French Mediterranean island.

Investigators said that most of the Corsica fires were deliberately set.

The latest blazes in southern France come after a dry summer in which the region suffered the most destructive forest fires in 25 years.

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#90265d2530 09/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL, (SEPT 22) - Some 15,000 riot police were deployed here Saturday to thwart an attempt by dissidents and students to stage an anti-government demonstration calling for the ouster of President Roh Tae-Woo's ruling party.

As the city center was cordoned off by the riot police, some 1,000 students assembled in University Road in eastern Seoul to stage a pitched battle with the riot police.

The students threw stones and Molotov cocktails at the police, who retaliated with teargas and frequent charges, roughly beating the students with truncheons before making arrests, eyewitnesses said.

Similar clashes were reported in different parts of the city. A police minibus was reportedly burned by firebombs thrown by the demonstrating students near the South Korean capital's East Gate.

Local press reports said thousands of farmers also demonstrated in 15 provincial cities Saturday to protest the Uruguay round of talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT). The farmers fear the talks will open South Korean markets to foreign agricultural goods.

The National Farmers Federation has demanded that South Korea pull out of the GATT talks altogether.

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#90265d2630 09/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (SEPT 22) - Experts at the U.S. Department of Agriculture expect that, despite the U.N. embargo, Iraq may succeed in importing 1.75 million tonnes of grain by July of next year, press reports said here Saturday.

This estimate was contained in the Department's latest grain market analysis, covering the period from 1 July 1990 to 30 June 1991, the reports added.

But other U.S. experts had expressed doubts that such large quantities of grain shipments could reach Iraq when an international sea blockade was in force.

The Department was said to fear that Iraq would be able to bring in considerable amounts of food across its land borders with Iran, Turkey, Syria and Jordan.

Before the embargo was imposed following its invasion of Kuwait on August 2, Iraq had imported some 3 million tons of grain per year.

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#90265d2810 09/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW, (SEPT 22) - The tough battle over how to reform the Soviet economy is looking much like a nightly television series "starring" President Mikhail Gorbachev and a cast of previously obscure economists.

It shows that the move to a market-based economy is not the only western influence hanging over the debate.

Moscow's former strict censorship has given way to a press corps hungry for details. And the big names in the economy issue have made this passage with apparent ease -- ready and willing to make statements to the dozens of microphones and press cameras lying in wait in the corridors of parliament.

Mr. Gorbachev -- long adept with the press -- is the show's main star as he acts as arbitrator.

He attends nearly every parliamentary session, and has trimmed down trips outside Moscow for the occasion. In parliament, he sits a bit to the side behind a special desk with a huge Soviet flag -- which disappears when he is not there -- draped on the wall behind him.

The Soviet president is now claiming outright responsibility for the radical economic reform program drawn up by his two economic advisors. It was first called the Shatalin plan after economist Stanislav Shatalin, and then the Aganbeguian plan, after the academician Abel Aganbeguian, but in the last few days has become known simply as the "president's plan".

Mr. Gorbachev intervenes often, gives direction to the debates and does not hesitate to state his preferences.

Mr. Shatalin, 56, a member of the presidential Council of advisors, remains the uncontested new "star" of the season. Charged with setting down the economic bases for the new Treaty of the Union, he drew up an audacious program of economic reforms that contrasted sharply with the more conservative

proposals of Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov.

A talented orator, this thin, pale man is a frequent visitor to the sessions and on occasion has thrown a cutting challenge to the deputies.

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#90265d4090 09/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN, (SEPT 22) - East German Interior Minister Peter-Michael Diestel plans to consider amnesty for prisoners after protests spread to two more jails on Saturday, bringing the number of prison protests to four, police said here.

Six prisoners serving sentences of up to four years climbed on the roofs of the northern Buetzow prison to demand an amnesty and a review of their cases.

Also Saturday, six prisoners began a rooftop protest in Bautzen, the country's most infamous prison where political prisoners are held, prison directors said.

Twenty six prisoners have been occupying the roof of an East Berlin jail since Thursday. Prisoners complained that they stood trial when East Germany was a hardline communist state which granted few if any rights to defendants.

At the East Berlin Rummelsburg prison guards brought rioters hot tea, blankets and newspapers. "There will be no crackdown if they remain peaceful", prison guard Klaus Nisse said.

Rummelsburg prisoners said they would not be transferred to West Berlin for fear of exposure to AIDS, drugs and brutality at the hands of other prisoners.

And at Brandenburg, west of here, about one hundred inmates have gone on a hunger strike to press their demands.

Speaking during a visit to Brandenburg prison, the minister said he would consider an amnesty in compliance with West German law.

Most West German laws will become effective in East Germany on October 3 when the two countries merge after a separation of 41 years.

Cornel Cristoffel, a spokesman for the West Berlin prison administration,

said plans existed to transfer the East German prisoners to the West after unification. He accused East Berlin authorities of "complacency" toward rioters.

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#90265d4230 09/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JEDDAH, (SEPT 22) - Saudi Arabia has cancelled national day celebrations

Sunday, an official statement said here.

The step was being taken to demonstrate the country's ''solidarity'' in view of the ''painful tragedy'' of the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

The unified kingdom of Saudi Arabia was established on September 23, 1932.

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#90265d4280 09/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH, (SEPT 22) - The sale of Saudi oil to Jordan will be resumed once Amman settles its debts to the Saudi state-owned Arabian American Oil Company (Aramco), Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazir said Saturday.

The Saudi pipeline to Jordan was cut at midnight on Wednesday, purportedly because Jordan had not paid a five-year-old 46 million dollar debt to Aramco.

But the Saudi decision was widely seen as a sign of Riyadh's displeasure with Jordan's pro-Iraqi stand in the Gulf crisis.

Saudi authorities have recently used other means to turn up the pressure on Jordan, notably by placing severe limits on commercial exchanges and expelling Jordanian nationals, according to witnesses and oil industry sources.

But Mr. Nazer, quoted by the Saudi Press Agency, said the decision to halt oil sales to Jordan was the "sole responsibility of Aramco".

He denied an earlier statement by Jordanian Energy Minister Thabit al-Tahir that King Fahd of Saudi Arabia had ordered the scrapping of the bulk of the debt -- 40 million dollars for oil supplied in 1985.

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#90265d4330 09/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (SEPT 22) - The last U.S.-chartered flight carrying Americans out of Iraq and Kuwait left Baghdad Saturday, bringing to a temporary halt the month-long evacuation of American citizens out of the two countries, officials said.

U.S. officials said some 2,000 U.S. nationals have been ferried out of the two Gulf nations since Baghdad allowed foreign women, children, the ill and Arab-born men to leave Iraq and Kuwait earlier this month.

In all, some 2,500 Americans are believed to have fled the two countries by a number of methods since Iraq's August 2 invasion of its oil-rich neighbour.

According to official estimates, more than 1,000 mostly male Americans are left in both countries, a few of them having forcibly been taken to key Iraqi

installations to serve as human shields in case of attack by international forces opposing the Iraqi invasion.

U.S. President George Bush has repeatedly demanded the release of these Americans he considers hostages, but has also warned Baghdad that their presence did not influence his decisions on the Gulf crisis.

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#90265d4480 09/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH, (SEPT 22) - Saudi Arabia's decision to cut off oil supplies to Jordan was based on the fact that Jordan has run up a more than 40-million-dollar oil bill with Saudi suppliers, Petroleum Minister Hisham Nazer said here Saturday.

Quoted by the Saudi Press Agency, Nazer said shipments could resume when Jordan had paid up.

The Saudis stopped pumping oil through the Trans Arabian Pipeline on Thursday, ending shipments running at a rate of 30,000 barrels a day, about half of Jordan's needs.

Nazer said the decision to cut supplies was made by Saudi oil companies acting independently of the government.

Diplomatic sources in the Gulf belief the cutoff is linked to Saudi anger over Jordan's stand in the Gulf crisis. Jordan is opposed to the U.S.-led military buildup in the Arabian peninsula.

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#90265d4600 09/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (SEPT 22) - King Hussein of Jordan presented a direct television message to the American people Saturday, calling on the United States to pull out of Saudi Arabia to avert a war he said would cause untold death and suffering.

The king, in an unprecedented 30-minute broadcast from Amman carried by Cable News Network, urged the United States to seek a negotiated solution to this "serious and ominous crisis in the region."

The monarch dismissed reports that Saudi Arabia had expelled 20 Jordanian diplomats.

"Right now, as far as I'm concerned, I have no knowledge of any such Saudi action," he said. I'd be very surprised if it took place ... I believe that this is probably a fabricated story."

Officials in Amman later reported that Riyadh had suspended its decision to

expel the Jordanian diplomats.

While recognizing Saudi Arabia's right to seek outside help and the United States' right to answer that request, King Hussein said he had misgivings abount the military buildup in a country harboring "the two holiest shrines of Islam (in Mecca and Medina)."

"We strongly feel that the presence of United States and allied forces ... must be terminated within the shortest possible period of time, lest it results in incalculable grave consequences involving Arabs and Moslems the world over for generations to come," said King Hussein.

Saudi Arabia requested U.S. help to avert what it perceived as threat to its territory after Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Responding to Saudi complaints of his seemingly pro-Iraqi stance since the outbreak of the crisis, King Hussein said "Jordan stands by the principle of the inadmissibility of the acquisition of territory by war."

"We have continued to recognize the state and government of Kuwait and will continue to do so," he added.

King Hussein said that just as he opposed Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, so he opposed the Israeli occupation of Arab territories.

He said that failure to have Israel abide by U.N. resolutions calling for a withdrawal from those territories was part of the reason behind Iraq's venture into Kuwait.

The monarch, however, stressed that any linkage at present between the Gulf crisis and other Middle East problems, such as the Palestinian issue, would "exacerbate rather than facilitate the solution of any one of them."

"We must avert an explosion in this highly inflammable area straddling the world's richest oil reserves that would cause untold death, destruction and misery with disastrous repercussions far beyond this vital region and this period of human life," said King Hussein.

Arab nations which in the past had heeded U.S. advice to accept a compromise solution to the Arab-Israeli problem, said the monarch, now perceived the United States "as unwilling to even consider a negotiated settlemet between Iraq and Kuwait and unwilling to accept a compromise short of an unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait."

King Hussein said that while priority should be given to the Gulf crisis,

"credible assurances must be given to ensure that other problems of a similar nature (in the Middle East) would definitely and adamantly be addressed

thereafter."

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#90265p7147 09/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
GRAND RAPIDS, MI. (SEPT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Meijer, Inc., a Grand Rapids-based retailer, announced this morning that it is issuing a recall on Meijer whole green beans, code number G-WCYC/28180, in the 16 oz. can size.

Meijer was notified at 11 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21, that the Food and Drug Administration will be issuing a recall on whole green beans with this code number, according to company spokesman Brian Breslin.

"At this point, Topco -- a buying cooperative in Skokie, Ill. -- has informed us that uncooked beans may have been mixed with cooked beans. The problem involves only Meijer whole green beans with the code number G-WCYC/28180," said Breslin.

According to the manufacturer, Meijer was shipped 150 cases, of which 75 cases remain in Meijer warehouses.

Meijer has notified all of its 58 stores in Michigan (49) and Ohio (9) to pull from sale all Meijer label whole green beans. Customers are being asked to return Meijer whole green beans with code number G-WCYC/28180 to Meijer for full refund.

According to Breslin, the beans were packaged by Lakeside Packaging Co. of Manitowoc, Wis. (414-684-3356). The company packages green beans for a variety of private label companies.

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#90265u0143 09/22/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 22) UPI - SATURDAY SPORTS CALENDAR

(All times EDT)
Baseball
American League
Boston at New York, 12:20 p.m.
Cleveland at Toronto, 1:35 p.m.
California at Kansas City, 2:35 p.m.
Detroit at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Milwaukee at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Texas at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
Chicago at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.

National League
St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 12:20 p.m.
New York at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Cincinnati at San Diego, 2, 5:05 p.m.
Montreal at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
Houston at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m.
San Francisco at Los Angeles, 10:05 p.m.

Boxing
Sacramento, Calif. - Tony Lopez vs. Jorge Paez, 12, IBF junior lightweight title; Rafael Ruelas vs. Felipe de Jesus, 10, featherweights
Lima, Peru - World Junior Championships

Games
Beijing - Asian Games
Las Lenas, Argentina - Winter Pan American Games

Golf
Buena Park, Calif. - $325,000 MBS Classic
Endicott, N.Y. - $700,000 B.C. Open
Richmond, Va. - $350,000 Crestar Senior Classic

Tennis
Paris - $100,000 Clarins Women's Open
Sydney - Davis Cup semifinal (Australia vs. Argentina)
Vienna - Davis Cup semifinal (Austria vs. United States)

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#90265u0176 09/22/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (SEPT. 22) UPI - There is much more than gold medals and national pride at stake at the 11th Asian Games.

Although Iraq's expulsion from the games has overshadowed the rest of the off-the-field maneuvering, some of the 36 participating nations and territories hope to use the games, which open Saturday, to improve political and economic relations with China.

Some countries that officially have poor relations with Beijing - or none at all - have sent both athletes to compete on the field and diplomats to maneuver with the Chinese leadership.

Pre-games meetings with foreign diplomats have been hailed by China, which is eager to improve its image after the worldwide condemnation of its brutal crushing of the nation's democracy movement in June 1989.

Vietnam's deputy prime minister is in Beijing, the first officially acknowledged high-level Vietnamese visit since 1979, when Vietnam and China

fought a border war. Bilateral relations since then have been marred by Vietnam's long occupation of Cambodia.

According to Chinese officials, Vice Prime Minister Gen. Vo Nguyen Giap is in Beijing only to take part in the Asian Games celebrations, but diplomats say there is more to the trip.

''The line that Giap is here to observe the games is hogwash,'' a Western diplomat said. ''He came separately from the Vietnamese sports delegation and he is being treated as a state visitor.''

The diplomat said Giap may meet with Chinese Communist Party leader Jiang Zemin.

In contrast to Beijing's refusal to publicly acknowledge a political dimension to Giap's visit, Vietnam openly hopes it will improve relations between the Communist neighbors.

''We are striving to restore the friendly relations in the interests of the Vietnamese and Chinese people and for the sake of stability in Asia,'' a Vietnamese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman said in Hanoi Thursday. ''We wish (Giap's) trip will contribute to the early normalization of relations between the two countries.''

Diplomats say it is unlikely the countries will make any breakthrough during the games, but that Giap could come away with an agreement to regularize the booming local trade across the partially opened Sino- Vietnamese border.

South Korea is hoping to use its highly visible sponsorship of the games as an opportunity to further build trade relations with Beijing.

Seoul donated more than 200 cars to the games' organizing committee and South Korean companies say they have pledged several million dollars in sponsorship. Huge billboards advertising Korean products are up all over Beijing.

Trade between China and South Korea hit a high of about $3.1 billion in 1989, but analysts say that figure is expected to drop sharply for 1990, largely at the urging of communist North Korea.

It was widely speculated that South Korean President Roh Tae Woo would come to Beijing for the games, but Western sources say China discouraged such a move. China has repeatedly disavowed any intention to establish political ties with South Korea.

Officials from Taiwan, whose athletes are competing in their first Asian Games since 1970, say they hope the games will quicken the pace of gradually improving ties. Taiwan, competing as ''Chinese Taipei,'' has a 380-member delegation accompanied by a large press corps.

''The sporting events will increase people-to-people understanding,'' said Bang Chong-dan, director of Taipei's athletic delegation. ''Except for the political problems, mainland China belongs to all Chinese.''

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - The Bush administration Friday proposed a 17-percent cut in logging of national forests in the Pacific Northwest next year to protect the spotted owl. The plan drew quick condemnation from both environmentalists and the timber industry. It calls for the smallest amount of logging in the area in at least a decade... but the cutbacks are far less than recommended by a panel of government scientists.

A jury in Hondo, Texas, Friday convicted a church pastor and two members of his parish accused of trying literally to beat the devil out of a man. Authorities accused the three of attacking a man who was helping with carpentry work at the church last January. The victim claimed the pastor told him his marital problems were caused by the devil. He says his attackers poured olive oil on him and beat him during a three-hour-long ritual.

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BEIJING (SEPT. 22) UPI - An earthquake registering 4.0 on the Richter Scale shook the northern suburbs of Beijing Saturday hours before the opening ceremony of the 11th Asian Games, officials said. There were no reports of injuries or damage.

The quake struck the area between Changping and Shahe cities 20 miles north of Beijing at 11:02 a.m., according to a State Seismological Bureau spokesman.

Officials said the quake would have no impact on China's first major international sports meet.

There was no reported damage to the Changping Velodrome where the Asian Games cycling competition was scheduled from Sept. 26-29.

''We felt the earthquake but there was no damage,'' said an official at the sports venue contacted by telephone.

''The earthquake will not influence the games,'' he said.

The tremor defied earlier predictions by the State Seismological Bureau that there was little or no chance of earthquakes during the Asian Games.

But authorities did not report an earthquake that struck the quake- prone

northern city of Tangshan several weeks earlier. Earthquakes are regarded by Chinese as a sign of impending disaster or sudden change.

At least a quarter of a million people died in a massive earthquake in Tangshan on August 26, 1976.

The extent of the damage has never been fully reported and was regarded by many Chinese as an omen preceding the death of senior leader Mao Tse-tung less than two months later.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - PENNANT RACES AT A GLANCE

NATIONAL LEAGUE
East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	87	64	.576	-
New York	83	67	.553	3 1/2
Montreal	81	69	.540	5 1/2

Games Remaining
Pittsburgh (12) - Home (8): St. Louis (2) Sept. 22, 23; Chicago (3) Sept. 25, 26, 27; New York (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (3): St. Louis (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30.

New York (12) - Home (3): Chicago (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30. Away (9): Pittsburgh (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3; Chicago (3) Sept. 22, 23, 24; Montreal (3) Sept. 25, 26, 27.

Montreal (14) - Home (9): New York (3) Sept. 25, 26, 27; Philadelphia (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30; St. Louis (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (3): Philadelphia (3) Sept. 22, 23, 24.

West

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	84	66	.560	-
Los Angeles	81	70	.536	3 1/2

Games Remaining
Cincinnati (12) - Home (9): Atlanta (3) Sept. 25, 26, 27; San Diego (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30; Houston (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (3): San Diego (3), Sept. 22 (2, twi-night), 23.

Los Angeles (11) - Home (5): San Francisco (2) Sept. 22, 23; San Diego (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (6): Houston (3) Sept. 24, 25, 26; San Francisco (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	82	69	.543	-
Boston	82	69	.543	-

Games Remaining

Toronto (11) - Home (2): Cleveland (2) Sept. 22, 23. Away (9): Milwaukee (3) Sept. 24, 25, 26; Boston (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30; Baltimore (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3.

Boston (11) - Home (8): Cleveland (2) Sept. 25, 26; Toronto (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30; Chicago (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (3): New York (2) Sept. 22, 23; Detroit (1) Sept. 27.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	87	64	.576	-	45-29	42-35	4-6	W-3
New York	83	67	.553	3 1/2	51-27	32-40	4-6	L-5
Montreal	81	69	.540	5 1/2	43-29	38-40	7-3	L-1
Chicago	72	78	.480	14 1/2	38-40	34-38	7-3	W-1
Philadel.	70	80	.467	16 1/2	36-36	34-44	5-5	W-1
St. Louis	67	84	.444	20	34-44	33-40	3-7	L-1

West

Cincinnati	84	66	.560	-	42-30	42-36	4-6	W-1
Los Angeles	81	70	.536	3 1/2	44-32	37-38	7-3	W-2
San Fran.	77	74	.510	7 1/2	42-29	35-44	4-6	L-1
San Diego	71	79	.473	13	37-41	34-38	6-4	L-2
Houston	70	81	.464	14 1/2	45-30	25-51	7-3	W-3
Atlanta	60	91	.397	24 1/2	35-43	25-48	2-8	L-2

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

American Conference

East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Miami	2	0	0	1.000	57	31
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	33	40
New England	1	1	0	.500	40	41
NY Jets	1	1	0	.500	44	46
Indianapolis	0	2	0	.000	24	42

Central						
Cincinnati	2	0	0	1.000	46	36
Cleveland	1	1	0	.500	34	27
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500	23	22
Houston	0	2	0	.000	36	67
West						
LA Raiders	2	0	0	1.000	31	22
Kansas City	1	1	0	.500	47	45
Denver	1	1	0	.500	33	37
San Diego	0	2	0	.000	30	38
Seattle	0	2	0	.000	13	34

National Conference

East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
NY Giants	2	0	0	1.000	55	27
Washington	1	1	0	.500	44	26
Dallas	1	1	0	.500	24	42
Phoenix	1	1	0	.500	23	52
Philadelphia	0	2	0	.000	41	50
Central						
Chicago	2	0	0	1.000	48	13
Detroit	1	1	0	.500	42	52
Green Bay	1	1	0	.500	49	55
Minnesota	1	1	0	.500	53	27
Tampa Bay	1	1	0	.500	52	56
West						
San Francisco	2	0	0	1.000	39	25
Atlanta	1	1	0	.500	61	48
LA Rams	1	1	0	.500	59	50
New Orleans	0	2	0	.000	15	45

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - The Boston Red Sox and the Toronto Blue Jays met their matches Friday night: for the Red Sox it was a team that was just as cold and for the Blue Jays it was one just as hot.

Boston benefitted under the circumstances, winning its third game in its last 11 with a 3-0 victory over the New York Yankees, losers of seven straight, and climbing back into a first-place tie with Toronto in the AL East.

The Blue Jays, bidding for a season-high seventh consecutive victory, dropped

a 2-1 decision in 13 innings to the Cleveland Indians, winners of five in a row.

New York managed only two hits off Boston starter Dana Kiecker, 7-9. Kiecker pitched seven innings to become the first Red Sox starter other than Mike Boddicker to win a game since Greg Harris on Sept. 10. In winning for the first time since he beat Cleveland Aug. 29, Kiecker lowered his road ERA to 2.14.

''He's more relaxed on the road than at home,'' pitching coach Bill Fischer said. ''He jumps around like a chicken at home in the bullpen.''

Larry Andersen, who was aquired in a trade from Houston on Aug. 31, allowed one hit over the final two innings to record his first save.

Kiecker was supported by Ellis Burks' two-run homer in the sixth and a solo shot by Mike Greenwell in the eighth. Burks' 20th home run followed Wade Boggs' fifth triple of the season.

''It couldn't have come at a better time,'' Burks said about his first homer at Yankee Stadium. ''We were down in Baltimore. We came out here tough. We got a great pitching performance from Dana Kiecker and that's really what we needed.

''We can't worry about what the Blue Jays do until we play them,'' he added.

Both clubs have 11 games left but Boston plays eight of them at home, and Toronto just two.

In Toronto, Sandy Alomar Jr. slammed Blue Jays reliever Frank Wills' first delivery of the 13th inning into the left field stands for his eighth home run of the season.

''I feel badly,'' said Wills, 6-4, who entered the game to start the 12th. ''I made one pitch, one mistake that's it. I tried to get a fastball in on him, but I left it out over the plate. But it's only one game and one loss.''

''That's easy to say,'' said centerfielder Mookie Wilson. ''But this is September and every loss can come back to haunt you.''

Efrain Valdez, one of five Cleveland pitchers, pitched three hitless innings for his first major league win. He fanned three and walked one in raising his record to 1-1.

''I feel great, I feel happy to get my first win against a first- place team '' said the southpaw, whose contract was purchased from Triple-A Colorado Springs on August 10.

Doug Jones pitched the 13th for his 39th save

In other American League action, Oakland shaded Detroit 6-5, Baltimore dropped Milwaukee 5-3, Texas edged Minnesota 2-1, California pounded Kansas City 12-5 and Chicago clipped Seattle 5-4.

In the National League it was: Chicago 4, New York 3; Philadelphia 5, Montreal 4 in 12 innings; Pittsburgh 1, St. Louis 0; Houston 4, Atlanta 3 in 10 innings; Cincinnati 10, San Diego 1; and Los Angeles 16, San Francisco 3.

Athletics 6, Tigers 5

At Oakland, Calif., Bob Welch became the major leagues' first 25-game winner in 10 seasons and Harold Baines belted a three-run pinch-hit double to power the A's. Welch, 25-6, equalled the win total of the Orioles' Steve Stone in 1980 and tied the Oakland record set by Jim ''Catfish'' Hunter in 1974. Dennis Eckersley pitched the final 1 2-3 for his 44th save.

Orioles 5, Brewers 3

At Baltimore, Bill Ripken scored two runs and drove home another and Pete Harnisch pitched seven solid innings leading the Orioles. Harnisch, 11-11, scattered five hits to pace Baltimore to its third win in a row. Greg Olson pitched the ninth for his 33rd save. Ron Robinson dropped to 11-4 as the Brewers suffered their fourth straight loss.

Rangers 2, Twins 1

At Minneapolis, Bobby Witt hurled a two-hitter, retiring 20 of the last 21 batters he faced, and Jack Daugherty drove in both Rangers runs. Witt, 17-9, threw his seventh complete game of the season. He is 14-1 in his last 17 starts, leading the Rangers to their sixth win in eight games. Juan Berenguer, 8-5, took the loss.

Angels 12, Royals 5

At Kansas City, Mo., Donnie Hill belted a three-run home run and Johnny Ray, Chili Davis and Dave Winfield each drove in a pair of runs to power California. Ray doubled twice and singled and Winfield doubled and singled in support of Kirk McCaskill, 12-10.

White Sox 5, Mariners 4

At Seattle, Sammy Sosa homered and drove in four runs leading Chicago. Eric King, 11-4, worked the first five innings for the victory and Bobby Thigpen hurled the ninth for his 52nd save. Randy Johnson, 13- 10, failed to retire the first four batters he faced in the second inning.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - Iraq has kicked out 21 Western diplomats following Europe's expulsion of Iraqis and the United Nations is considering a plan to tighten up sanctions against Baghdad by imposing an embargo on air traffic.

Iraq said Friday two planes had violated its air space, the third such complaint since the gulf crisis began seven weeks ago when it invaded neighboring Kuwait.

The developments seemed more ominous coming on the heels of a get- tough speech by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, who warned his nation that it was close to war and that any fight would be a fight for Arab honor and the liberation of Jerusalem.

The U.N. Security Council plan calls on all countries to withdraw landing rights to planes flying to and from Iraq or occupied Kuwait. It also would forbid airlines from making scheduled or non-scheduled flights to the two emirates.

Meanwhile, Japan said Friday it had failed to come up with a plan to send soldiers to join the U.S.-led multinational force in the gulf, but Poland reportedly was considering sending a small contingent of troops to the region.

In retaliation for the expulsion Friday of three American diplomats from Baghdad, the State Department ordered the staff of the Iraqi embassy in Washington reduced from 19 to 16. A military attache and two other diplomats have been given a week to leave the United States, the same time limit given American and other foreign diplomats expelled Friday by the Iraqi government.

European officials said Iraq sent three British, 11 French and four Italian diplomats packing, apparently in retaliation for the expulsion from those European countries of Iraqi diplomats earlier this week.

''The expulsion is a reaction to what we did to them,'' said British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd. ''I am keen that the rest of the (embassy) staff in Baghdad should be able to carry on with their job helping the British community.''

London, Paris and Rome had expelled Iraqi diplomats and military students following a weekend raid by Iraqi soldiers on several Western embassy compounds in Kuwait.

Egypt said Friday it was closing the Iraqi military attache office in Cairo and asking its personnel to leave the country within seven days, according to the semi-official Middle East News Agency.

Butros Ghali, minister of state for foreign affairs, said Cairo was closing the office and expelling two other diplomats from the Iraqi embassy in response to the closure by Iraqi authorities of the Egyptian military attache office in Baghdad.

Egypt is currently deploying an extra 15,000 troops to Saudi Arabia to join the Western-led forces in protecting the kingdom against possible aggression from Iraqi troops massed at the Kuwaiti border. Egypt, the Gulf states, Morocco and Syria have all sent Arab troops to join the force.

Japan, however, said Friday that the government and political parties could not agree on a plan to send personnel to the region. Tokyo has pledged $4 billion to help offset the cost of the massive military buildup, but has been under increasing international pressure to provide troops as well.

In a move unimaginable just a few years ago, the Polish government may send a small contingent to join the U.S.-led forces as a gesture of support, the Polish newspaper Zycie Warszawy reported. Never before has a Warsaw Pact nation sent military troops to serve alongside Western forces.

Government sources told the newspaper the United States and Poland had discussed the possiblity, but officials declined comment on the report.

Iranian President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani said Friday he would be willing to help bring peace to the area, but only on the condition Iraq withdraws its troops from Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2.

The last U.S.-chartered flight out of Kuwait was tentatively expected Saturday State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said in Washington.

With that flight, she said, the U.S. embassy in Kuwait believes that every American who is able to leave and wants to leave will have been evacuated.

So far, about 1,700 Americans, mainly women and children, have been airlifted out of Kuwait. Another 1,200 Americans remain in the emirate and there are 120 in Iraq, including diplomatic personnel.

One more American was picked up in Kuwait by Iraqi troops, bring to about 84 the number of American men held by Iraqi authorities. Iraqi authorities have been rounding up Western men and taking them to key economic and military installations, where they are kept to guard against attack by Western forces.

Saddam, wearing a military uniform, appeared on Iraqi television Thursday as a statement broadcast for him blasted Arab efforts to end the gulf crisis.

The statement, described by analysts as the toughest by Saddam since he invaded Kuwait seven weeks ago, warned Iraqis that a battle was looming and that it would be a fight to liberate Jerusalem.

He was shown on television in his capacity as chairman of a joint meeting of the Revolution Command Council and the Ruling Baath Arab Socialist Party.

The Iraqi News Agency INA said in a report Friday that the joint meeting had ''decided that there was no chance for retreat from leading the faithful until the honorable end against the invading enemies.''

Saddam had asked the U.S. government for time on American television to broadcast his rebuttle to a taped message by President Bush that aired on Iraqi television earlier this week.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - The San Diego Padres saw red Friday night - 10 of them in the first inning.

Cincinnati batted around and scored five runs in the first inning en route to a 10-1 rout of the Padres. Eric Davis homered and drove in three runs and Jose Rijo hurled a five-hitter to help Cincinnati retain its 3 1-2 game lead in the National League West.

Rijo, 13-7, won for the fifth time in his last six decisions. The right-hander walked two and struck out six in his sixth complete game of the season. Three of the five hits he allowed were to Padre lead-off hitter Bip Roberts.

Rijo has allowed two earned runs or less in 18 of his 27 starts, and the Reds are 16-2 in those games.

Dennis Rasmussen, 11-14, allowed seven runs, only three of them earned, in the first two innings.

''I pitched as good as I have in the last few starts,'' said Rijo, who is 5-1 in his last six decisions. In his last seven starts, he has allowed only seven earned runs in 57 innings.

In the first inning, Davis had an RBI double and after an error by shortstop Garry Templeton on what could have been the third out, Hal Morris added a two-run single and Joe Oliver cracked a two-run double to give the Reds a 5-0 advantage.

Back-to-back home runs by Barry Larkin, his seventh of the year, and Davis, his 23rd, increased the Reds lead to 7-0 in the second.

''My eyes got way too big. I thought they were going to pop right out of my head,'' said Rijo of his teammates production. ''I just went out and took advantage of it. If we could do that more often, we're going to be in good

shape.''

Cincinnati added a single run in the seventh off reliever Calvin Schiraldi on Mariano Duncan's single, Larkin's double and a run-scoring groundout by Davis.

''When you score a few runs it will pump you up right away,'' said San Diego Manager Greg Riddoch. ''The fact that they had Rijo in there didn't hurt either.''

Riddoch did not think his club was affected by the resignation of general manager Jack McKeon.

''I think our club was affected by the opposing pitcher,'' he said.

In other National League games, Chicago edged New York 4-3, Pittsburgh blanked St. Louis 1-0, Houston beat Atlanta 4-3 in 10 innings, Philadelphia nipped Montreal 5-4 in 12 innings, Los Angeles pounded San Francisco 16-3.

In the American League it was: Boston 3, New York 0; Baltimore 5, Milwaukee 3; Cleveland 2, Toronto 1; Texas 2, Minnesota 1; California 12, Kansas City 5; Chicago 5, Seattle 4; and Oakland 6, Detroit 5.

Dodgers 16, Giants 3

At Los Angeles, Hubie Brooks drove in four runs, Kal Daniels went 4 for 4 and Eddie Murray went 3 for 3 to spearhead a season-high 20-hit attack that powered the Dodgers. Mike Morgan, 11-14, earned his first victory in more than five weeks as Los Angeles won for the seventh time in nine games to remain 3 1-2 games behind first-place Cincinnati in the NL West. Don Robinson, 10-7, lasted just three innings and was tagged for nine hits and eight runs.

Pirates 1, Cardinals 0

At Pittsburgh, Sid Bream doubled home Barry Bonds from first base in the seventh inning and Zane Smith tossed a five-hitter to lead the Pirates. Smith, 11-8, won his fifth game in six decisions since being acquired from Montreal on Aug. 8. Former Pirate Jose DeLeon fell to 7- 18.

Cubs 4, Mets 3

At Chicago, Ryne Sandberg hit a sacrifice fly in the eighth to score Jerome Walton with the winning run and Andre Dawson hit an RBI single and a solo homer to carry the Cubs. David Cone fell to 12-10. Paul Assenmacher, 6-2, allowed one run in two innings to get the victory in relief of Steve Wilson.

Phillies 5, Expos 4 (12 innings)

At Philadelphia, Lenny Dykstra singled off the right-field wall with two outs

in the 12th to score Dave Hollins and lift the Phillies. Chuck Malone, 1-0, worked one inning and earned his first major-league victory. Bill Sampen fell to 11-7.

Astros 4, Braves 3, 10 innings

At Atlanta, rookie Mike Simms belted his first major league home run with one out in the 10th to lift Houston. Juan Agosto, 9-7, earned the win in relief. Kent Mercker, 4-6, took the loss.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - Showers doused parts of Texas early Saturday and forecasters said a cold front on ther first day of fall could dump 3 inches of wet snow on Minnesota.

Forecasters also were predicting a cool and rainy weekend throughout much of the Northeast as the summer ended, with clouds giving way to mostly cloudy to partly sunny skies.

Rain was expected to develop by early morning in Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusettes, and Connecticut, but was not expected to last through midday, the National Weather Service said.

Nearly 5 inches of rain fell in north-central Texas in the past 24 hours, the NWS said, at Graham, Murray and Bryson.

Showers developing ahead of an upper level weather disturbance moving out of Canada were over eastern North Dakota and northern Minnesota. Up to three inches of wet snow was possible in the Arrowhead of Minnesota Saturday, forecasters said.

Fair skies prevailed from the Mississippi Valley to northern California and the Pacific Northwest.

Columbus, Ga., had a record high of 97 degrees Friday, marking the 21st consecutive day of 90 degree weather.

The high for the nation Friday was 103 degrees at Red Bluff, Calif.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 22) UPI - Japan's Justice Minister compared foreign prostitutes to American blacks and said both destroyed good neighborhoods, major Japanese newspapers reported Saturday.

''It is like bad money chasing out good money, or like blacks driving whites out of neighborhoods in America,'' Justice Minister Seiroku Kajiyama was quoted as saying.

He accompanied a late night raid Thursday on a notorious Tokyo red- light district, Kabukicho. Police arrested 45 women - 33 Thais, 10 Colombians, a South Korean and a Brazilian.

A television camera crew also was invited to observe the foreign prostitutes and their footage showed police shoving women into police vans and buses.

Kajiyama, who said he made the remark off the record, later offered a correction and apology, the reports said.

''I did not mean racial discrimination at all and I apologize if my comments led to misunderstanding,'' Kajiyama said. ''I have heard many complaints from the residents in the neighborhood and I intended to mention a degenerated environement.''

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

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The permanent members of the U-N Security Council have a plan for an embargo on air traffic in and out of Iraq. It calls on all countries to deny landing rights to planes flying to or from Iraq and Kuwait. The plan will be considered at a Security Council meeting Tuesday.

Iraq expelled 21 Western diplomats yesterday in retaliation for expulsions of Iraqis from Europe. Three of those told to leave Baghdad are Americans. Washington responded by expelling three Iraqi diplomats. Western nations expelled Iraqi diplomats after Iraq invaded their diplomatic facilities in Kuwait.

Crude oil prices closed at record highs yesterday. In New York, West Texas Intermediate rose two dollars to close at 35 dollars 43 cents a barrel. The World Bank issued an alarming report that oil could hit 65 dollars a barrel if a shooting war breaks out in the Middle East.

The Soviet parliament postponed to Monday its vote on changing to a free market system. President Mikhail Gorbachev calls the vote the ''most difficult choice'' of the perestroika era. He urged parliament to end the state monopoly on ownership and adopt a system based on private property.

The Canadian Auto Workers and Ford Canada have tentatively settled a strike. They agreed yesterday to a three-year contract including higher wages and a job security program. Workers could return to work as early as tomorrow night. The strike by 13-thousand people began a week ago and shut down nine plants.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

Batting

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Brett, KC	523	79	171	.327
RHenderson, Oak	455	111	147	.323
Palmeiro, Tex	551	69	178	.323
Trammell, Det	539	70	168	.312
Boggs, Bos	585	85	181	.309
Parker, Mil	570	69	174	.305
EMartinez, Sea	473	70	143	.302
CJames, Cle	493	57	149	.302
Burks, Bos	544	81	163	.300
McGriff, Tor	511	86	153	.299

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Dykstra, Phi	561	101	185	.330
Murray, LA	516	91	170	.329
Magadan, NY	410	69	132	.322
Grace, Chi	545	69	172	.316
Dawson, Chi	490	64	154	.314
Roberts, SD	527	100	164	.311
Gwynn, SD	573	79	177	.309
Bonds, Pit	490	102	151	.308
Sandberg, Chi	577	110	176	.305

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 47; McGwire, Oak 39; Canseco, Oak 37; McGriff, Tor 34; Gruber, Tor 28.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 37; Strawberry, NY and Mitchell, SF 35; Bonds Pit 32; Bonilla, Pit 31.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 122; Gruber, Tor 108; McGwire, Oak 105; Canseco, Oak 95; Parker, Mil 92.

National League - Carter, SD 113; Bonilla, Pit 112; Bonds, Pit and Williams,

SF 111; Strawberry, NY 104.

Doubles
American League - Brett, KC 45; Jo.Reed and Boggs, Bos 43; Calderon, Chi 42; Harper, Min 40.
National League - Jefferies, NY 39; Sabo, Cin, Bonilla, Pit and Roberts, SD 36; Wallach, Mtl, Johnson, NY and Dykstra, Phi 35.

Triples
American League - Fernandez, Tor 17; Sosa, Chi 10; Liriano, Min 9; Burks, Bos and Johnson, Chi 8.
National League - Duncan, Cin 11; Gwynn, SD 10; Coleman, StL 9; L.Smith, Atl, Dunston, Chi and Butler, SF 8.

Stolen Bases
American League - R.Henderson, Oak 61; Kelly, NY 39; Sax, NY 37; Pettis, Tex 35; Cole, Cle and Johnson, Chi 33.
National League - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 58; Bonds, Pit 50; Nixon, Mtl 47; Raines, Mtl and Butler, SF 44.

Runs Scored
American League - R.Henderson, Oak 111; Fielder, Det 97; Yount, Mil 94; Reynolds, Sea 92; Franco, Tex 91.
National League - Sandberg, Chi 110; Bonilla, Pit 106; Bonds, Pit 102; Dykstra, Phi 101; Roberts, SD 100.

Hits
American League - Boggs, Bos 181; Palmeiro, Tex 178; Parker, Mil 174; Griffey Jr., Sea and Kelly, NY 172.
National League - Dykstra, Phi 185; Gwynn, SD 177; Sandberg, Chi 176; Wallach, Mtl 175; Larkin, Cin and Butler, SF 174.

Victories
American League - Welch, Oak 25; Stewart, Oak 21; Clemens, Bos 20; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 18.
National League - Drabek, Pit 20; Martinez, LA and Viola, NY 19; Gooden, NY 17; Maddux, Chi 14.

Earned Run Average
(Minimum 155 innings pitched)
American League - Clemens, Bos 1.98; Finley, Cal 2.39; Stewart, Oak 2.67;Appier, KC 2.76; Stieb, Tor 2.87.
National League - Whitson, SD 2.39; Viola, NY 2.66; Rijo, Cin 2.75; Smith, Pit 2.76; Boyd, Mtl 2.84.

Strikeouts
American League - Ryan, Tex 210; Witt, Tex 209; Clemens, Bos 204; Hanson, Sea 194; Langston, Cal 182.

National League - Martinez, LA 216; Cone, NY 214; Gooden, NY 199; Fernandez, NY 173; Viola, NY 169.

Saves
American League - Thigpen, Chi 52; Eckersley, Oak 44; Jones, Cle 39; Olson, Bal 33 and Righetti, NY 32.
National League - Franco, NY 33; Myers, Cin 29; L.Smith, StL 26; Smith, Hou and Lefferts, SD 23.

Complete Games
American League - Morris, Det and Stewart, Oak 9; Clemens, Bos, Finley, Cal, Witt and Brown, Tex 7.
National League - Martinez, LA 11; Maddux, Chi and Hurst, SD 8; De.Martinez, Mtl, Viola, NY and Drabek, Pit 7.

Shutouts
American League - Clemens, Bos 4; Perez, Chi, Appier, KC and Stewart, Oak 3; Ten pitchers tied with 2.
National League - Morgan, LA and Hurst, SD 4; Martinez, LA, Boyd and Gardner, Mtl, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE USA - SATURDAY

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	81	61	...
Anchorage sh	55	47	....
Asheville mc	79	65	.27
Atlanta mc	91	74	....
Baltimore r	72	60	.18
Billings sy	74	41	....
Birmingham pc	94	73	.05
Bismarck pc	60	42	.01
Boston r	65	56	....
Brownsville pc	93	75	....
Buffalo mc	70	59	.04
Burlington Vt. r	63	52	.03
Charleston S.C. pc	87	79	.62
Charlotte r	78	66	.26
Chicago pc	72	48	.49
Cincinnati sy	71	50	.27
Cleveland pc	70	56	.15
Columbus Ohio sy	72	57	....
Dallas pc	84	73	....
Denver pc	70	47	....
Des Moines w	72	47	....

Detroit w	66	50	.50
Duluth r	54	42	.02
El Paso mc	88	69	....
Evansville pc	72	52	.95
Fargo w	59	42	....
Hartford r	70	51	....
Honolulu sy	92	79	....
Houston mc	95	76	....
Indianapolis pc	67	46	.71
Jackson Miss. pc	93	73	....
Jacksonville sy	97	72	....
Kansas City pc	76	53	....
Las Vegas pc	85	-	.06
Little Rock pc	77	65	.10
Los Angeles pc	79	65	....
Louisville sy	73	56	.69
Memphis pc	88	67	.16
Miami Beach pc	88	82	.11
Milwaukee w	72	49	.14
Minneapolis w	64	46	....
Nashville pc	83	63	.77
New Orleans pc	92	72	....
New York r	71	59	.09
Oklahoma City f	80	59	.06
Omaha pc	75	49	....
Orlando sy	95	75	....
Philadelphia r	73	60	.29
Phoenix pc	95	73	....
Pittsburgh pc	72	58	....
Portland Me. r	66	51	....
Portland Ore. sy	90	57	....
Providence r	68	50	....
Richmond r	76	63	.04
St. Louis pc	73	54	....
Salt Lake City f	76	53	....
San Antonio mc	92	76	....
San Diego pc	76	66	....
San Francisco pc	76	61	....
San Juan pc	90	76	.27
Seattle sy	81	-	....
Spokane sy	76	49	....
Tampa sy	95	75	....
Washington r	73	63	.06
Wichita pc	77	54	....

c-clear	cl-clearing	cy-cloudy	f-fair
fy-foggy	hz-haze	m-missing	pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy	r-rain	sh-showers	sm-smoke

sn-snow sy-sunny ts-thunderstorms w-windy

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#90265u0289 09/22/1990 ~United Press International
SANFORD, FL (SEPT. 22) UPI - An outraged Gov. Bob Martinez is calling for the resignation of a state judge who declined to imprison a rapist and said the victim was partly to blame.

Seminole County Circuit Judge Kenneth Leffler Thursday rejected a plea bargain that included a 4 1/2-year prison term for confessed rapist Mark David McCulloch, 36.

Instead, he placed McCulloch on two years probation, saying he had handled the woman's divorce about two years ago and believed she victimized men who cared for her.

Leffler told The Orlando Sentinel Thursday, ''I think it would have been a miscarriage of justice to sentence that man the way (prosecutors) wanted him to be sentenced. Anyone who could be so stupid to take up with this woman deserves some consideration.''

''It is almost incomprehensible that an experienced jurist could suggest that a rape victim, in essence, had it coming. Where is your sense of justice?'' Martinez wrote Friday in a letter to Leffler.

Martinez has no authority to discipline judges. That falls to the Judicial Qualifications Commission in Tallahassee. Commission Executive Director Brooke Kemmerly said Friday that she was barred from saying whether the board had received complaints about Leffler, who has said he will retire in December.

''It is difficult for me to find the words to adequately express my sense of outrage at your comments and action in sentencing an admitted rapist to probation, based on your personal disregard for the female victim,'' Martinez wrote.

''Since it is apparent you cannnot afford crime victims the respect and consideration they deserve, I suggest you resign immediately,'' he wrote.

State Attorney Norm Wolfinger said the sentence was illegal because it did not fall within the sentencing guidelines set by the state.

Wolfinger said that the state would move on Monday to have Leffler removed from the case and to have the sentence thrown out.

''I feel confident we would win on appeal. This is a case where we have an admitted rapist saying he lost his temper and was dragging the lady to the bedroom and wouldn't let her leave, and he basically admits he raped her,'' he

said.

McCulloch, a tenant renting a room in the woman's house, in July pleaded guilty to sexual battery, false imprisonment and battery.

In the plea deal struck in July, he agreed to 4 1/2 years in prison and 10 years probation, but he was released Thursday from the Seminole County Jail.

The victim said McCulloch had lived in her home for about a year and they were friends, but had no sexual relationship. She said he became enraged one night in April because she had gone on a date.

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#90265u0298 09/22/1990 ~United Press International

ALLENTOWN, PA (SEPT. 22) UPI - Police seized a DC-3 airliner early Saturday that was loaded with a ton of cocaine when it landed at a small eastern Pennsylvania airport.

Those aboard the two-engine aircraft apparently believed the Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton Airport was closed and hoped to sneak in for fuel at about midnight, authorities said.

Police arrested a Canadian national and searched for two other men aboard the aircraft, authorities said.

Airport manager Jack Yohe said air traffic controllers called police when the plane landed without clearance or landing lights at the airport 50 miles north of Philadelphia.

Airport security and police searched the plane, which had taxied to a remote hangar, and found 20 duffel bags stuffed with cocaine.

''We seized 1,349 kilos of cocaine - that's approximately 2,000 pounds,'' Lehigh County District Attorney Bill Platt said at an early morning news conference.

''We are not able to determine whether it was to land at Allentown or (even) inPennsylvania,'' Platt said. ''We have determined the plane was low on fuel and it may have landed in an effort to get fuel.''

He said the drugs have an estimated street value of $130 million.

Platt said officers had no idea of the cargo when they surrounded it at a refueling hanger.

''That's a lot of cocaine,'' he said. ''We have a lot of experienced narcotics officers here and none of them have seen a quantity of that sort.''

Police arrested Harold Hill of Canada, but were still looking for two other men - William McGoldrich of Florida and another man identified only as Rick. Hill was jailed on $10 million bond.

Platt said police believe the contraband flight originated in Colombia and was on its way to Canada, with some possible drops along the way.

''There were marks on some of the containers that led us to believe some of the drugs were destined for New York and Canada,'' Platt said.

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#90265u0329 09/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 22) UPI - A Harlem grocery store manager was shot and killed by a customer early Saturday in an argument over $1 worth of ham, police and family members said.

Relatives identified the victim as Delelo Perta, 27, the father of three young children and manager of the Infante Grocery for three years.

According to Theodore Rosa, 23, a nephew of the victim and son of store owner Fransico Infante, his uncle was working with another employee about 3 a.m. when the gunman and a woman came into the store to purchase $1 worth of ham.

''The guy says to him, 'That's not a dollar's worth','' said Rosa. ''And my uncle says 'That's all I can give you for a dollar. It's $3.49 a pound.' Then the guy called him outside.''

Rosa said his uncle armed himself with a bat when he went to confront the irate customer and was shot once in the chest. He said his uncle still struggled to swing the bat against his attacker and managed to hit the woman.

Perta died at St. Luke's Hospital about 45 minutes later, police said.

There were no immediate arrests made in the case.

''He was a nice guy, a hard-working man,'' Rosa said. ''He worked seven days a week to support his wife and kids.''

Rosa said his uncle was a native of the Dominican Republic but had emigrated to the United States at least 10 years ago.

The nephew said his uncle never worried about working late at night in the neighborhood, or about becoming a crime victim.

''He's been there three years now. He wasn't worried,'' Rosa said.

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#90265u0344 09/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 22) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Notre Dame (39) (1-0)	787	1
2.	Florida State (9) (2-0)	747	2
3.	Auburn (5) (2-0)	731	3
4.	Brigham Young (1) (3-0)	612	7
5.	Southern Cal (1) (2-0)	595	4
6.	Tennessee (3-0-1)	528	6
7.	Nebraska (1) (2-0)	489	8
8.	Miami (1-1)	394	10
9.	Virginia (3-0)	393	11
10.	Michigan (0-1)	363	5
11.	Texas A&M (2-0)	322	12
12.	Ohio State (2-0)	200	14
13.	Arkansas (1-0)	135	15
14.	Arizona (2-0)	75	16
15.	Florida (2-0)	72	21
16.	Washington (2-0)	56	20
17.	Illinois (1-1)	44	17
18.	Colorado (1-1-1)	42	9
19.	Clemson (2-1)	36	19
20.	Texas (1-0)	33	17
21.	(tie) Fresno State (3-0)	19	23
21.	(tie) Arizona State (2-0)	19	24
23.	(tie) Oregon (2-0)	7	z
23.	(tie) Michigan St. (0-0-1)	7	22
25.	Syracuse (1-1-1)	5	z

z-unranked

Others receiving votes: Georgia Tech, Iowa, Louisiana State, Pittsburgh, Wyoming.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances and postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches.

Those schools are Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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#90265u0371 09/22/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 22) UPI - Expression of concern over possible terrorist attacks against the United States in the Persian Gulf and elsewhere increased dramatically last week, but analysts doubt that Iraq President Saddam Hussein would dare employ terrorist tactics.

The view among experts on terrorism is that Saddam recognizes that a terrorist attack backed by him against U.S. installations in Saudi Arabia, where most of the Americans are concentrated, or anywhere in the gulf region, would be the springboard for a U.S. attack against Iraqi forces in Kuwait and against Iraq itself.

''The Iraqis believe that the Americans are just waiting for such a pretext,'' said Yahya Sadowski, an analyst on Middle Eastern affairs and terrorism at the Brookings Institution, a Washington study group.

A major concern among U.S. forces deployed in Saudi Arabia is an attack similar to the suicide truck bombing of the Marine barracks at Beirut Airport Oct. 23, 1983, in which 241 American servicemen died. The Marines left Lebanon several months later.

Despite its repeated warnings and expressions of concern in the past week about the possibility of terrorist strikes against U.S. or allied interests, the State Department has been careful to note that it has not received terrorist threats ''that are both specific and credible.''

But it is clear that the United States would retaliate for a Saddam- supported terrorist act.

''The United States would view with utmost seriousness any Iraqi- sponsored terrorist attack,'' the State Department has said more than once.

''Utmost seriousness'' is a weighty diplomatic nicety that, translated, means there would be a U.S. counterattack.

President Bush weighed in with his own warning in response to reporters' questions Friday:

''We hold Saddam Hussein responsible if there is any terrorist act against us '' he said.

Bush added that the Iraqi president was to ''blame'' for the meeting of several terrorist leaders in Amman, Jordan, earlier in the week.

George Habash, head of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, and

Nayef Hawatmeh, leader of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine were the headliners among members of terrorist groups that met in the Jordanian capital. Both are backed by Syria and Libya.

Habash warned that his group would strike at the United States. But analysts dismissed the threat and any significance attached to the meeting of the terrorist leaders. They argued that Habash and Hawatmeh are aging Palestinian terrorist leaders who no longer command the following of an Abu Nidal or an Abu Abbas, head of the Palestine Liberation Front.

''When you threaten terrorism, I don't think much is going to happen, '' said Robert Kupperman, a terrorism specialist at the Center for Strategic and International Studies. ''I think that the threats are empty. I don't think Habash amounts to much.''

But, he said, ''Abu Nidal is quite a different matter. An Abu Nidal threatening terrorism, I would take seriously.''

Abu Nidal, whose real name is Sabri Khalil al-Banna, leads an extremely violent Palestinian group whose most notorious attack was the machine gun and grenade strikes in December 1985 against the Rome and Vienna airports in which 16 people died and 60 others were wounded.

''What worries me is not Saddam Hussein,'' Kupperman said. ''Abu Nidal is not completely under Saddam Hussein's control. He's hooked to Libya.''

CIA Director William Webster recently told the Foreign Policy Association of New York that Saddam now ''has both strong ties to Palestinian terrorists and an elaborate network within his own intelligence service capable of planning and carrying out terrorist attacks against a variety of international targets.''

But the CSIS's George Carver Jr., an intelligence, security and terrorism specialist who has his own consulting firm, said he did not think Saddam will try to launch a terrorist strike that will ''provoke something'' from the United States in response.

''I don't think he would like to give the United States any pretext for attacking,'' Carver said. ''We should respond very quickly to any provocation. But before we do, we should make sure we know the cause. We should keep control of the situation, not surrender it to someone else.''

Brookings' Judith Kipper, an expert on the Middle East, agreed with Carver.

''An Iraqi-backed terrorist act would mean instant retaliation,'' she said. ''And if we're going to go (on the offensive), we're going to go big.''

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#90265u0381 09/22/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 22) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait:

Saudi Arabia expelled dozens of Jordanian and Yemeni diplomats Saturday, further straining relations between Arab states embroiled in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Officials said 20 Jordanian diplomats were ordered to leave Saudi Arabia along with 30 Yemeni diplomats and 20 non-diplomatic employees of the Yemen Embassy.

No official statement was issued but diplomats said the action was taken because neither Jordan nor Yemen have condemned Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, although both have called for the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from the emirate.

The move came two days after Saudi Arabia cut off oil supplies to Jordan.

Syria's President Hafez Assad was in Tehran trying to persuade Iran to join Western efforts against onetime archenemy Iraq, diplomats and officials said. Syria and Iran have had close ties but the gulf crisis has created numerous shifts in alliances and Iran indicated it may not be ready to side with its longtime friend against its longtime foe.

The U.N. Security Council delayed the implementation of an air traffic embargo against Iraq, which President Bush said the United States would enforce. Diplomats in the Middle East said the naval blockade has effectively cut off shipments of goods to and from Iraq but that food and supplies are getting through by plane and by land through neighboring countries.

A West German weekly said Saturday that Iraq has obtained an atom bomb-like weapon built by a West German firm. The weekly Spiegel said the weapon, with a blast ''comparable to a small atomic detonation,'' and thousands of anti-tank missiles and rocket launchers reached Iraq through Egypt.

The embargo, the expensive deployment of troops and the skyrocketing price of oil is taking its toll on world economies, analysts said. The International Monetary Fund said the crisis will probably help debtor countries that export oil, but damage the world's powerful industrial economies.

The United Nations said the world economy appears to be sliding into a recession and the events in the Middle East are compounding the matter, posing serious policy questions for oil- importing countries.

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#90265u0391 09/22/1990 ~United Press International

LITHIA SPRINGS, GA (SEPT. 22) UPI - Two sisters gave birth to boys 15 minutes apart in a race to see which would get to occupy what they thought was the only deluxe suite in HCA Parkway Medical Center.

With about 25 relatives cheering them on in the waiting room Thursday, Karen Addison was the winner over Carla Strickland.

Addison, 23, gave birth to 7-lb., 8-ounce Jeffrey Scott Addison, at 12:41 p.m. Thursday.

At 12:56 p.m., Strickland, 32, gave birth to 7-lb., 11-ounce Travis Ryan Strickland.

The sisters, both of Douglasville, met by accident in the labor room.

''I saw her when she came in and it seemed kind of strange but I didn't really think much about it,'' said Addison. ''Right then, I was hollering and gripping.''

The two were put in adjoining delivery rooms.

''We kept hollering across to each other,'' said Strickland, who has two other children. ''She kept asking me questions.''

Then the competition began for the deluxe postpartum suite.

''She kept saying, 'I'm going to get that room,''' said Strickland.

The progress of the race was reported by the two expectant fathers, Tony Addison and Don Strickland, who shuttled between the delivery rooms.

Strickland didn't have to be informed she was the loser.

''I heard as their baby was being born,'' she said. ''We heard a lot of shouting and them saying it was a boy. I told my husband not to yell like that.''

Then came Strickland's son and her husband again ignored her request.

''I hollered too,'' he said.

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#90265u0415 09/22/1990 ~United Press International

SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 22) UPI - Mormon Church President Ezra Taft Benson showed more improvement Saturday in his recovery from brain surgery to remove two blood clots, church officials said.

The 91-year-old spiritual leader to the world's 7.5 million Mormons was in serious but stable condition three days after the surgery and may be taken out of intensive care later Saturday, hospital officials said.

Following the 2 1/2-hour operation Wednesday at LDS Hospital, neurosurgeon Bruce Sorensen had said Benson would probably remain in the intensive care unit for two days and could be sent home ''in seven to eight days.''

Sorensen said doctors found two large blood clots, one on either side of Benson's head, that had been causing his severe headaches and difficulty in swallowing. One was drained off through a small hole drilled in the right side of his skull, but a ''solid clot'' on the left side required doctors to cut ''a fist-sized hole'' in Benson's skull.

Benson, who served as agriculture secretary in the Eisenhower administration, was hospitalized Tuesday. He was the first Mormon to serve in a presidential cabinet and the first clergyman in 100 years to serve in such a post.

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#90265u0442 09/22/1990 ~United Press International

FERRARA, ITALY (SEPT. 22) UPI - Pope John Paul II called Saturday on Western nations to reverse their falling birthrates, a phenomenom he described as a "menance."

The Polish pontiff, visiting a north-central Italian city that has lost almost 5 percent of its population in the past quarter-century, described the declining birthrate of the industrialized West as ''worrying.''

John Paul called the decline in births ''a menace for all of the rich West.''

''Faith feeds optimism, a sentiment which is growing scarce in the Western world,'' John Paul said. ''Society is getting older and there are few babies being born.

''How can there be hope for a better future without children?'' he said to a crowd of several thousand. ''We cannot watch with indifference the worrying phenomenon of the constant fall of the population.''

The pope spoke in the main square of Ferrara, a city of 145,000 between Bologna and Venice that boasted 152,000 inhabitants in 1963.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 22) UPI - The administration, bowing to congressional pressure, worked through the weekend to craft a scaled-down, roughly $10

billion arms sales package for Saudi Arabia, an administration official said Saturday.

Having concluded that opposition on Capitol Hill was likely to pare, if not derail entirely, the original package proposed for some $20 billion in arms and equipment, officials consulted over the weekend on a quick presentation for Congress early next week.

The administration bowed to reality late Friday, announcing it would only seek a significantly reduced arms package, one premised on Saudi Arabia's immediate needs.

Although President Bush continued to insist Friday, first to a gathering of congressional leaders at the White House and later to reporters before leaving for Camp David, Md., that the package for the key Persian Gulf ally was imperative, White House deputy press secretary Roman Popadiuk acknowledged the administration shift in a statement.

''Following our consultation with Congress, we will provide this assistance in phases,'' said Popadiuk. ''The specific items to be provided in the first phase are still being determined, and will encompass equipment and training requiring early action. This request will be sent to the Congress early next week.

''Those items that do not require expedited review will be submitted to the Congress early in the next year,'' he said.

An administration official who asked not to be identified said Saturday that the sale would be ''in the ball park'' of $10 billion. He added, however, that ''that is still subject to change'' because of the continuing discussions, being spearheaded by the State Department.

The initial request to Congress would be followed by a second request in January to meet the longer-term needs of the country.

Initial reports that the administration was considering an arms sale of over $20 billion - including highly sophisticated weapons systems - drew opposition from some quarters on Capitol Hill and from Israel.

Prince Bandar bin Sultan, the Saudi Arabian ambassador to the United States, signaled the shift first Friday, indicating that the proposed arms to help Saudi Arabia to bolster its forces against the threat of an invasion by Iraq could be split into two sales - one covering weapons needed immediately, the other for needs farther in the future.

The Saudi ambassador cautioned reporters not to place ''too much emphasis on this package,'' saying that negotiations on the sale of sophisticated arms to Saudi Arabia was an ''unrolling thing.''

Before departing for the weekend, Bush continued to press for congressional backing of the arms package. ''I also informed the congressional leaders that it is essential that we continue to meet Saudi Arabia's legitimate defense requirements,'' he said.

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#90265u0460 09/22/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 22) UPI - China's Communist party leadership cheered Kuwait's athletes today when they marched in the opening ceremonies of the 11th Asian Games in Beijing. The appearance of the exiled Kuwaiti team ignited a standing ovation from many of the estimated 70-thousand people at Beijing Workers' Stadium. The 54 Kuwaiti team members wore white robes and national headwear and carried pictures of Kuwait's exiled leader. .

A newspaper in Poland says the Warsaw government, in a gesture of support, may send a small contingent of troops to join U-S led forces in the Persian Gulf. Never before has a Warsaw Pact nation sent military troops to serve alongside Western forces. Government sources say the United States and Poland have discussed the possibility. Officials refused to comment on the report.

Residents of Hawaii go to the polls today to decide on nominees for three of the state's four seats in Congress. Voters will choose party nominees for the two House seats vacated by Democrat Daniel Akaka and Republican Patricia Saiki. Those two are among candidates vying for a Senate seat. They're expected to win their primary races and face each other in the general election.

Snow is in the forecast on this first day of autumn. Forecasters report showers developed ahead of a cold front moving out of Canada and hung over eastern North Dakota and northern Minnesota, raising the possibly of up to three inches of snow in the Arrowhead of Minnesota. Showers covered parts of Texas early today. A cool and rainy weekend was forecast for much of the Northeast.

Non-aligned members of the U-N Security Council are considering ways to implement a 1978 resolution demanding Israel withdraw from Lebanon. Diplomats say the non-aligned countries threaten measures similar to those taken against Iraq, if Israel refuses. The diplomats say Cuba and Yemen propose sanctions be applied against Israel if it refuses to pull out.

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#90265u0461 09/22/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 22) UPI - Something is rotten in Paris. It's garbage that is piling up because of a trash haulers strike. French garbage workers went on strike Tuesday, leaving sidewalks crowded with filled trash bins and the odor of

waste wafting through the air in 14 of the city's 20 districts. The mayor of Paris said yesterday the strike is illegal because trash haulers used their trucks to block access to incinerators.

A magazine says NASA apparently took a cue from Soviet researchers in the design of an experimental craft. The report says the H-L-20 Personnel Launch System resembles a spacecraft the Soviets tested from 1982 to 1984. The magazine says the NASA craft is a small-winged plane capable of carrying 10 astronauts at a time, to-and-from a space station.

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#90265u0475 09/22/1990 ~United Press International

SOUTHINGTON, CT (SEPT. 22) UPI - First lady Barbara Bush is heading to Connecticut to campaign for Republican gubernatorial hopeful John Rowland in her first stop for a candidate this fall, officials said Saturday.

Mrs. Bush will be the guest of honor at a $125-a-plate fund-raising luncheon Tuesday at the Aqua Turf in Southington, Rowland said.

Rowland, a Republican congressman from Waterbury, is in a three-way gubernatorial race with former Sen. Lowell P. Weicker, R-Conn., who is running as an independent, and Rep. Bruce Morrison, D-Conn.

''I am deeply honored that Barbara Bush is coming to Connecticut to speak on my behalf,'' said Rowland, who said he admired her efforts to end illiteracy.

''Barbara Bush has devoted herself to helping people throughout the country learn to read and write so they can improve their quality of life and become more productive members of society,'' Rowland said.

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#90265u0520 09/22/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 22) UPI - The U-N Security Council meets next week to consider an embargo against airplanes flying in and out of Iraq. Under the embargo, the Council would ask nations to deny landing rights to any planes flying to or from Iraq.

Chase Manhattan, which has suffered heavy losses from real estate loans, is laying off five-thousand employees. The bank holding company expects a 625-Million-dollar loss in the third quarter.

The Bush administration is sending the Senate the treaty allowing reunification of Germany and ending its occupation. Senate leaders want to consider it in order to retain their legislative role in foreign policy.

A northeast Ohio cult leader, Jeffrey Lundgren, was sentenced yesterday to

death for the murder of a family of five. Lundgren's wife and son have also been convicted in the April 1989 killings.

A judge in Los Angeles refuses to lower Charles Keating's five- Million-dollar bond. Keating is a key figure in the savings and loan scandal. Three co-defendants were released after posting bail.

A mild earthquake shook northern suburbs of China's capital, Beijing , today. NO injuries were reported. The quake struck hours before the opening of the Asian Games, the first major international sports meet in China.

Although it's only the first day of autumn, forecasters say Minnesota could get up to three inches of snow. Cold and rain are predicted for the weekend in much of the Northeast.

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#90265u0528 09/22/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 22) UPI - The Polish parliament has accepted President Wojciech Jaruzelski's offer to resign this fall. He is the last remnant of Poland's communist regime. Parliament also agreed to dissolve and allow presidential elections.

Leaders of two South African black groups whose members have been fighting each other have agreed to peace talks next month. In fighting that began last month, more than 750 people have been killed.

India's upper classes have been in rebellion because of a plan to give the underprivileged castes priority in getting government jobs. In one incident, police fired on demonstrators and injured 11 people.

Paris garbagemen moved vehicles to block off incinerators yesterday as part of a strike for higher wages. 90 percent of Paris's 600 garbage drivers and loaders are on strike.

A Soviet newspaper says a cosmonaut, Vladimir Dzhanibekov, an American and an Englishman plan an around-the-world balloon trip. It is to begin in Akron, Ohio, in November... go from West to East... and last two to three weeks.

The administration proposes cutting logging in national forests in the Northwest by 17 percent to protect the spotted owl. Conservationists want a bigger reduction. The timber industry warns of losses of thousands of jobs.

A college student has found a dinosaur eggshell on a remote mountain near Uravan in southwestern Colorado. It's believed to be 135-Million to 150-Million years old- the oldest dinosaur embryo ever found in North America.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - DAVIS CUP TENNIS RESULTS

World Group Semifinals
Australia vs. Argentina
At Sydney, Australia, Sept. 22
Doubles

Darren Cahill-Mark Kratzmann, Australia, def. Christian Miniussi-Javier Frana, Argentina, 3-6, 7-6 (7-5), 7-6 (8-6), 4-6, 15-13.
Australia defeats Argentina 3-0.

Austria vs. United States
At Vienna, Sept. 22
Doubles

Jim Pugh, Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif., and Rick Leach, Laguna Beach, Calif., def. Thomas Muster and Alex Antonitsch, Austria, 7-6 (7-4), 3-6, 6-0, 7-5.
United States leads Austria 2-1.

World Group Qualifying
Britain vs. France
At London, Sept. 22
Doubles

Henri Leconte and Guy Forget, France, def. Jeremy Bates and Andrew Castle, Britain, 6- 1, 6-4, 6-4
France defeats Britain 3-0 (France advances to World Group)

Yugoslavia vs. Switzerland
At Split, Yugoslavia, Sept. 22
Singles
Goran Ivanisevic, Yugolsavia, def. Marc Rosset, Switzerland, 6-4, 4-6, 6-7 (2-7), 6-3, 6- 2; Jacob Hlasek, Switzerland, def. Goran Prpic, Yugoslavia, 3-6 6-4, 7-6 (7-3), 6-4.

Doubles
Ivanisevic and Prpic, Yugoslavia, def. Hlasek and Rosset, Switzerland 3-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.
Yugoslavia leads Switzerland 2-1.

Sweden vs. Finland
At Vasteras, Sweden, Sept. 22
Doubles
Stefan Edberg and Peter Lundgren, Sweden, def. Veli Paloheimo and Olli

Rahnasto, Finland, 6-2, 6-1, 6-2.
Sweden defeats Finland 3-0 (Sweden advances to World Group)

Soviet Union vs. Spain
At Moscow, Sept. 22
Doubles
Emilio Sanchez and Sergio Casel, Spain, def. Alexander Volkov and Vladimir Gabrichidze, Soviet Union, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3, 4-6, 6- 3.
Spain defeats Soviet Union 3-0 (Spain advances to World Group)

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - Syrian President Hafez Assad is in Tehran in a bid to get Iran to join Western forces in the Persian Gulf. Iran has condemned the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. But Tehran also has been critical of a U-S-led multinational force that's in the gulf to prevent further Iraqi aggression. Syria NOT only backs the U-S-led force, but sent troops to serve in it. .

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler says the last U-S chartered flight from Kuwait is tentatively expected today. Tutwiler says with that flight, U-S diplomats in Kuwait believe every American capable of leaving and who wants to leave, will have left. Another 12- Hundred Americans remain in Kuwait, plus 120 in Iraq, including diplomatic personnel.

Former Lincoln Savings operator Charles Keating spent another night in jail after a Los Angeles judge yesterday refused to lower his five- Million-dollar bail. Keating's lawyers say he is about five-point-two- Million dollars in debt and can NOT raise bail. But the judge said Keating has reason to want to flee. He is jailed on fraud charges stemming from the sale of junk bonds.

A newborn baby boy at the center of a landmark custody fight is expected to leave an Orange, California, hospital today with his genetic parents. A judge gave the infant's genetic parents temporary custody but awarded his surrogate mother visting rights. The case marks the first legal challenge to custody by a surrogate mother with NO genetic tie to the infant.

Some newspapers in Japan report the Justice Minister compared foreign prostitutes to American blacks by saying both destroy good neighborhoods. The reports say the Japanese official's remarks were made at a raid in a Tokyo district where police arrested 45 women. The reports say the official apologized and said he ''did NOT mean racial discrimination at all.''

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - The second-largest U-S bank holding company, Chase Manhattan plans to lay off five-thousand workers. The firm also says it expects third-

quarter losses of 625-Million dollars. Analysts say Chase Manhattan is the first big bank to take heavy charges against earnings... to cover losses on loans made to commercial real estate developers in the 1980's.

An earthquake apparently had NO impact on the opening ceremonies of the Asian Games in China. A quake measuring four on the Richter scale hit just hours before the ceremony started in Beijing. Officials say there were NO reports of injuries or damage in the quake centered 20 miles north of the capital.

The Pennsylvania Game Commission says up to 500 hunters may be stalking deer this season in Philadelphia to reduce the city's game population. Buck hunting has been allowed in Philadelphia parks for years, but this is the first time does and fawns will be hunted. The only restriction is that deer hunters use bows and arrows, NOT firearms.

Church officials report Mormon Church leader Ezra Taft Benson is improving following brain surgery this week to remove two blood clots. The 91-year-old spiritual leader to the world's seven and one-half Million Mormons was reported in serious but stable condition in a Salt Lake City hospital.

California Governor Deukmejian signed legislation yesterday creating a state-mandated earthquake insurance fund to cover all six and a-half-Million homes in the state. The law requires homeowners to pay a fee ranging from 12 to 60 dollars a year on their homeowners' insurance. The fee goes into effect next July.

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COLUMBUS, OH (SEPT. 22) UPI - It ws 46 years late and Alexander Lambros has recovered from his wounds, but Saturday he finally received the Purple Heart he earned in World War II.

''Forty-six years of bureaucracy?'' exclaimed an incredulous Vice President Dan Quayle as he presented the decoration to Lambros, 65, of Ashtabula, at Port Columbus International Airport, where he arrived for a speaking engagement at an Ohio Republican rally.

''I'm sorry it took so long but as they say, better late than never. God bless you and thank you for what you have done,'' the vice president told Lambros.

''I'm very happy about it,'' said Lambros, who said he was wounded at age 19 while serving in an infantry rifle company in Italy in July 1944. ''I'm proud to see him (the vice president).''

Lambros, who was accompanied by his wife, Margaret, and his brother, federal Judge Thomas Lambros of Cleveland, said bureaucratic bungling and a fire in the Army Records Center in St. Louis delayed the citation.

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#90265u0632 09/22/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 22) UPI - Syrian President Hafez Assad has arrived in Tehran, Iran's capital, apparently to try to convince Iran to side with the West against Iraq. Syria and Iran have been longtime friends, and Iran and Iraq have been enemies. But Iran's news agency indicates the old lineup may change. The agency says Iran will take ''a more independent attitude.'' Iran has condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, but also condemned the force led by the United States sent to the Persian Gulf to counter Iraqi aggression.

The stock market was broadly lower yesterday because of a further increase in the price of oil. The Dow Jones industrial average fell nearly six points. West Texas Intermediate crude oil sold at a record 35 dollars 43 cents a barrel in New York. One analyst says there is a belief in the market that war is coming, based NOT on news but on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's hawkish statements.

The Asian games opened today in Beijing, capital of China, with the emphasis more on politics than athletics. The sponsoring organization voted Thursday to bar Iraq because its president, a Kuwaiti, was killed in Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Today, the Kuwaiti team was cheered as it entered the stadium. Competition in the games begins tomorrow.

The Soviet parliament votes Monday on how to return to a market economy after 73 years of Communism. It has a choice between a 500-day plan backed by President Mikhail Gorbachev and a slower plan favored by Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov. Gorbachev urged action in a speech yesterday. He said approval of the plan is the ''most difficult choice'' of the perestroika era.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - Ships may soon travel across the Arctic Ocean to save time in going between northern Europe and the north Pacific. The United States and Soviet Union have agreed to examine the possibility of Soviet icebreakers escorting cargo vessels through frozen waters at the top of the world. One official says this route between Tacoma, Washington, and northern Europe would be 10 days quicker than the Panama Canal route.

A Chicago jury yesterday convicted a man of involuntary manslaughter for building a fire in a dumpster that went out of control and killed four people. Buddy Marts set the fire to keep warm. Prosecutors said he should have known the fire could spread. A nearby building caught fire and the four were killed. Marts could be jailed for two to five years for each death, and one to three years on an arson count.

A minister and two members of his congregation were convicted yesterday of beating a man because they thought he was possessed by the devil. The Reverend James Price and the two others were found guilty in Hondo, Texas, of false imprisonment. The alleged victim told authorities he was doing carpentry work in the church and told Price he had marital difficulties. He said Price told him he was possessed and the three beat him.

A strange videotape found beside a highway near Stockton, California, last month has police mystified. It shows a burning building and has a narration by a whispering person believed to be an arsonist who worships the devil. Authorities do NOT know where the building is. The tape was shown on television this week and 11-hundred people offered information- some about possible locations.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 22) UPI - Employees of a federal courthouse where a pipe bomb exploded recently were warned to stay away from the building this weekend by the FBI, it was reported Saturday.

The San Diego Tribune said the FBI issued the warning late Friday after a telephone call was placed to the agency's San Diego office.

''As a matter of normal precaution, because of the fact that there was a recent incident, we alerted federal employees in the courthouse building and we took normal precautionary measures,'' said Ron Orrantia, an FBI spokesman.

Although the courthouse is closed to the public on weekends, judges, lawyers in the U.S. attorney's office and other employees often go to their offices to catch up on work.

An apparent pipe bomb damaged the front door of the courthouse in downtown San Diego early Sept. 15. Television station KNSD-TV received a letter a few days later sent by a group calling itself the Holy Church of the White Fighting Machine of the Cross.

The letter did not claim credit for the bombing, but demanded the repeal of hate crime laws.

Federal authorities reached Saturday would not comment on the alert or the phone call to the FBI that was reported by the Tribune.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - Syria's president arrived in Tehran today in a bid to persuade Iran to join Western efforts in the Persian Gulf against Iraq...

Iran's longtime foe. The trip by President Hafez Assad comes on the heel of a decision by the U-N Security Council to delay implementation of an air embargo against Iraq. Iran indicated today it may NOT be ready to side with Syria against Baghdad. The two nations fought a bitter eight-year war that ended two years ago.

Philadelphia Mayor Wilson Goode says he doesn't even want to think about NOT being able to solve the city's problem. The mayor says that unless state and local politicians take quick action, city coffers will be empty by December 1st. The city's financial problems have been building for years, but the present crisis is precipitated by a 206- Million-dollar deficit, the downgrading of the city's bonds to junk status and the collapse of a deal to sell 375-Million dollars in short- term loan notes.

The international human rights watchdog group Amnesty International is protesting the execution of 27 soldiers by Nigeria's government last week. The London-based organization charges the convictions were too speedy, suspect and shrouded in secrecy. The prisoners were executed for allegedly taking part in a failed coup attempt in April against the military government.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - Aboriginals from across the Soviet arctic and other indigenous peoples from the far north gathered in Anchorage for a week-long conference to send a message to their governments demanding political recognition. The gathering of the 11-nation Northern Regions Conference urged the governments to settle land claims. In a joint statement, regional government leaders agreed that northern native cultures need protection.

The American Dental Association is being sued by 40 dentists from around the country. The dentists accuse the A-D-A of committing fraud with its claim that fluoridated water and silver fillings are safe. In a federal court suit filed this week in Cleveland... the dentists, members of the Safe Water Foundation, cite recent studies showing that more than 20 percent to 30 percent of the children growing up in artificially fluoridated areas suffer from dental fluorosis, a flouride poisoning.

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SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (SEPT. 22) UPI - The armed forces said Saturday they dismantled four rebel camps in guerrila-controlled areas of the Salvadoran countryside in recent anti-insurgent operations.

''The Belloso battalion dismantled three terrorist camps in Chalatenango, where they (rebels) held big stocks of material for explosives,'' an army spokesman said.

The army has been sweeping for the last month the mountains and towns of Chalatenango province, some 30 miles north of the capital, where the main rebel camps of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, are located.

The military spokesman said the army also discovered and dismantled a rebel camp in the eastern province of Usulutan, siezing arms, food, medicine and rebel documents.

He said each of the camps found had a capacity to house about 50 rebels.

The FMLN said on their clandestine Radio Venceremos station they caused 10 army casualties in an attack Friday on military installations in the town of Jucuaran, 70 miles east of San Salvador.

''Guerrilla units attacked four army positions ... in Jucuaran, leaving 10 casualties, including dead and wounded,'' Radio Venceremos broadcasted.

The army said three soldiers were killed and none were wounded in the guerrilla attack Friday.

Rebels did not immediately comment on the army claim to have dismatled four of their camps.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - Syria's president is courting Iran to join the multi-national effort against a long-time Iranian enemy. But it seems Iran will stand with its foe Iraq instead of siding with Syria and U-S-led forces in the Persian Gulf. Syrian President Hafez Assad Hah-FEHZ' Ah-SAHD' traveled to Tehran today to persuade the Iranian government to join the movement against Iraq.

Police in Allentown, Pennsylvania, scored a huge drugbust early this morning when they were called to the town's airport to investigate a plane that landed around midnight without clearance or landing lights. The D-C Million dollars. One man was arrested and police are searching for two others who were aboard the plane.

A newborn baby that's at the center of a precedent-setting custody case in Orange County, California was expected to be released from the hospital today. The baby will be taken home by its genetic parents... NOT the surrogate mother who gave birth to him. A judge yesterday awarded the parents temporary custody but gave the surrogate mother visitation rights.

Florida Governor Bob Martinez is calling for the immediate resignation of a

state judge who refused to send an admitted rapist to jail... saying the victim was partly to blame. Seminole County Circuit Judge Kenneth Leffler had handled the victim's divorce about two years ago and Leffler says she victimized men who cared for her.

Voters in Hawaii go to the polls today in what's considered a watershed year for politics on the island. Three of Hawaii's four congressional seats are up for grabs... including the Senate position formerly held by the late Spark Matsunaga. Two House veterans are expected to be in a tight contest for the Senate position.

Bulgaria is set to undergo a 100-day emergency program of radical economic reform next month to help stabilize its economy. Bulgaria's prime minister UNveiled the pan yesterday at a Parliament meeting where he charged UNnamed forces were trying to de-stabilize the country and spark civil war.

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BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (SEPT. 23) UPI - Investigators have found a previously unknown painting by the Spanish artist Francisco Goya mistakenly stored as the work of a minor artist in the Buenos Aires Fine Arts Museum, the museum's director said Saturday.

Jorge Lorenzutti, the museum director, said a painting entitled ''Bullfighter Jose Romero,'' measuring about 35 by 30 inches, had been stored among 7,500 other works in a storage room.

He said the previously uncatalogued painting, which he estimated was worth about $6 million, had been donated to the museum by a collector in 1974 and identified as the work of Luis Osorio, a minor painter.

Lorenzutti said a team led by University of Buenos Aires professor Hector Schenone found the painting after an investigation in April, but were only able to confirm its authenticity last week after intensive X- ray, ultraviolet and other tests.

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CORUNNA, MI (SEPT. 23) UPI - Wedding guests should have suspected something when the band played the rock and roll song, ''I Fought the Law and the Law Won.''

At the end of the song Friday night, all police officers in the hall were asked to identify themselves. All others were told they were under arrest.

The bogus wedding was part of an elaborate sting that netted about 15

suspected drug dealers from Shiawassee and neighboring counties.

It marked the end of a five-month undercover operation in which a free-lance undercover agent, using the name of Daniel Brown, made more than 100 drug buys from about 50 people.

Then, he let it be known he was engaged to the daughter of a top- level drug dealer and invited most of them to the Friday night wedding. Guests were asked to check their guns and knives at the door, and they complied.

Among the arresting officers was the ''bride,'' actually Flint police officer Debra Williams, who lifted the hem of her white gown and pulled out a .38-caliber handgun from a leg holster.

The ''groom'' - wearing a black tuxedo for the first time in his life - circulated around the hall, helping police identify the suspects.

Williams, who is single, said he was ''excited and nervous,'' adding that the wedding ''felt like it was the real thing.'' There was even a wedding cake - real frosting over polystyrene.

The agent said the fake wedding was not fun, nor was it designed to make the suspects look foolish, although organizers could not risk the tongue-in-cheek touch of announcing that music would be provided by ''Spoc'' - cops spelled backward.

The idea, Williams said, was to avoid making individual arrests which might tip off other suspects.

''There was no intent to humiliate them ... we just didn't want them to be suspicious,'' he said. ''It had to be real lifelike.''

Police said attendance at the fake wedding may have been hurt when five people were arrested in the parking lot Friday afternoon by the groom, who was ''selling'' marijuana at $1,000 per pound. They suspect some of those arrested tipped off invited guests.

Bond for the suspects was set Saturday and formal arraignments were set for Monday.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - Saudi Arabia today added another straw to the load straining Arab relations amid the Persian Gulf crisis. The Saudis expelled dozens of Jordanian and Yemeni diplomats. Neither Saudi, Jordanian NOR Yemeni officials issued a statement on the move, but the ousted envoys say the action was taken because their governments have NOT condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Vice President Day Quayle is in Columbus, Ohio, today to campaign for gubernatorial candidate George Voinovich. But Quayle took time to campaign for a quick resolution of the budget deficit problem. The vice president said its up to Congress... and NOT the Bush administration... to get budget talks back on track and have a reduction package ready within the next week.

U-S military officials in Bonn say the operation to ferry 400 tons of chemical weapons out of West Germany for destruction finally got underway today. Storms had delayed by several days the departure of two ships that're carrying the poisonous gas shells to the Johnson Atoll in the South Pacific. There the weapons will be incinerated after being stored in West Germany for 30 years.

South African President Frederik de Klerk says he's NOT going to Washington- as he says- ''hat in hand.'' De Klerk is preparing today to travel to the United States for talks with President Bush and other high-level U-S officials. The South African leader... the first to be invited to the United States in 42 years... dismisses charges the visit was calculated to produce immediate material gains or a rollback in U-S sanctions against his country.

New York police say an argument over one-dollar worth of ham led to the shooting death of a Harlem grocery store manager. Relatives say a customer charged Delelo Perta with NOT giving him enough ham for his one dollar. The man then challenged Perta to step outside where he shot the Dominican Republic native once in the chest. NO arrests had been made in the case.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - Relations between Arab nations involved in the Persian Gulf crisis appear to be worsening. Officials say Saudi Arabia today expelled dozens of Jordanian and Yemeni diplomats. Jordan and Yemen have NOT spoken out against the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. The move comes two days after Saudi Arabia cut off oil supplies to Jordan.

Vice President Quayle today said it's up to Congress, and NOT the White House, to have a deficit-reducing budget agreement ready within the next week. The vice president added the Bush administration will NOT give up a capital gains tax cut to achieve budget reductions. Quayle made the remarks while stumping for Ohio's G-O-P gubernatorial candidate in Columbus.

When the sun sets tomorrow evening, some one-Million people around the world are expected to light candles to say the deaths of 40-thousand children a day are NOT acceptable. From the monuments in Washington to Ethiopian refugee camps, citizens in more than 80 countries plan to gather at some 26-hundred candlelight vigils.

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The vigils are meant to convince world leaders to commit themselves to action at the upcoming World Summit for Children. The largest gathering ever of world leaders will meet September 29th through the 30th at the United Nations headquarters in New York to adopt a plan of action to help children in the 1990's.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - The Philippine foreign secretary says he thinks the United States will go along with a Philippine plan to take over Clark Air Base when U- S basing rights expire next year. He adds the Philippine government is receptive to a U-S proposal for a 10 to 12-year phaseout of Subic Bay Naval Complex.

The national political parties consider the California governor's race especially critical. Democrat Dianne Feinstein and Republican Senator Pete Wilson each are spending Millions on television ads and delivering many speeches. But despite the media blitz, the polls indicate they're running neck and neck.

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GUATEMALA CITY (SEPT. 23) UPI - Three Guatemalan soldiers are being held as leading suspects in the June slaying of a 49-year-old American tour guide in northern Peten province, an army spokesman said Saturday.

Armed forces spokesman Col. Carlos Duran said three soldiers, none of whom are officers, are being held as suspects in the murder of Michael Devine, a U.S. citizen originally from Belleville, Ill.

Devine had been living in Guatemala for 18 years and was working as a tour guide at Peten's historic sites when he was kidnapped by five men June 8.

His beaten and decapitated body was found the next day on a roadside in a jungle area of northern Peten province.

Duran said civilian and military authorities were questioning the suspects at an undisclosed location. He would not name the soldiers being questioned, but said preliminary findings might be released next week.

In a Sept. 6 letter to U.S. Ambassador Thomas Stroock, President Vinicio Cerezo acknowledged that members of the Guatemalan security forces might have been responsible for killing Devine.

Duran said there was no evidence to implicate Col. Roberto Garcia, who was

recently removed from his post as commander of the local military base in Peten province. In announcing Garcia's removal last week, Cerezo said he wanted to clear the way for a smooth investigation.

U.S. embassy spokesman James Dickmeyer said he could not confirm whether anyone was being held in the case.

Dickmeyer denied reports that the United States was considering a reduction in military and economic assistance to Guatemala if the investigation did not yield satisfactory results. ''My understanding is that this case is not at all related to aid from the United States,'' he said.

Human rights groups have accused Guatemala's army of involvement in many of the almost daily disappearances and killings in the country.

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PORT ORFORD, OR (SEPT. 23) UPI - The arrest of two environmental activists who tried to disrupt the work of a minerals research ship by circling it in small boats apparently was working to deter further incursions Saturday, the Coast Guard said.

Three inflatable boats launched Friday from the Greenpeace ship Rainbow Warrior darted into a 500-yard security buffer around the research ship Aloha as it tried to perform undersea mineral tests 3 miles off Port Orford, Coast Guard Lt. Roger Dubuc said.

The Coast Guard dispatched its cutter Citrus from nearby North Bend and used a motor lifeboat and two inflatables to catch two of the protesters from the environmental group after being warned several times to leave the safety zone.

''We had to catch them,'' Dubuc said Saturday. ''They were running around evading them as best as they could.''

As soon as one of the small rubber boats was stopped and boarded, two others scampered out of the zone and back to the Rainbow Warrior, Dubuc said.

Aloha Capt. Bob Sherer reported he wanted to place magnetic and seismic equipment in the water behind his vessel. But such tests were impossible as long as the inflatable boats from the Greenpeace ship shadowed the Aloha.

The joint state-federal Oregon Placer Minerals Task Force chartered the ship to research mineral deposits and biology near Cape Blanco and the mouth of the Rogue River.

The task force maintains it is doing academic research and developing an inventory of mineral resources in the area. Officials said they expect

deposits to be marginal at best.

But Greenpeace calls the cruise the first step toward strip mining on the Oregon coast.

''If there's a lot of money to be made, they'll go after it,'' said Carol Alexander, an activist on the Greenpeace ship.

Eleven commercial fishing boats aided the Greenpeace vessel Friday in blocking the Aloha from deploying scientific gear. They returned to shore Friday evening after announcement of the safety zone and as winds picked up and heavy fog moved in.

Coast Guard Capt. Peter Willcox said some of the salmon trollers, crabbers and sea urchin divers had radioed they would return Saturday. But Dubuc said none were on the scene as of Saturday afternoon, only the Aloha, the Rainbow Warrior and the Citrus.

Nicholas Sanders, 25, of Sydney, Australia, and David Thoenn, 26, of Greenwood Lake, N.Y., were being held Saturday at the Curry County Jail in Gold Beach, where they awaited interviews by the Coast Guard and a decision on formal charges, Dubuc said.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis continues to heat up on the diplomatic front. Iraq today announced it is closing the military attache offices of 10 countries, including the United States, and restricting the remaining diplomats to Baghdad. And Saudi Arabia today expelled dozens of Jordanian and Yemeni diplomats. Relations between the Saudis and Jordan and Yemen have been strained because the two countries have NOT condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Anti-nuclear activists staged a rally at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida today to protest the scheduled launch of a nuclear-powered solar probe next month aboard the shuttle Discovery. The demonstrators say the Ulysses probe could release dangerous radiation if there's a launch accident. NASA says solar power is NOT feasible for this mission because the Ulysses will be too far from the sun during certain parts of the voyage.

Finance ministers and other officials of the world's seven largest economies gathered in Washington today to discuss the global impact of the Persian Gulf crisis on oil prices. The Group of Seven ministers may endorse a financial package to help those nations hardest hit by the crisis.

Hennepin County officials in Minnesota are taking their fight against AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases to the streets. They're counseling

prostitutes, supplying condoms and handing out badges that say- ''I'm a safe sex PRO!'' The courts so far have referred 37 prostitutes, male and female, to the program.

The dalai lama, the exiled leader of Tibet, visited Philadelphia today, also known as America's cradle of freedom. The dalai lama, the winner of the 1989 Nobel Peace Prize, said the changes in Eastern Europe and other parts of the communist world could help Tibet, which has been occupied by China since 1950.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 23) UPI - Finance ministers and other managers of the world's seven largest economies said Saturday that oil prices rising on Mideast tensions are not pushing the industrialized world into a recession.

But the Group of Seven finance ministers and central bank chiefs said a tight course must be steered between inflation and an economic slowdown.

In a statement issued after day-long consultations, they cited ''solid growth'' in the main economies despite surging oil costs, predicting that the world's 9-year-old economic expansion would continue in 1991.

''The ministers,'' said the Group of Seven communique, ''noted that the rise in the price of oil associated with the Gulf crisis poses two risks: a risk of inflation and a risk of lower economic growth.''

They recommended ''stability-oriented monetary policies'' to keep inflation in check, coupled with ''sound fiscal policies'' that might ease interest rates by reducing government spending, taxing and borrowing.

U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady told reporters, ''You've got to steer between these two risks. There is the obvious risk of inflation presented by high oil prices, and there's also risk of lower economic growth.''

''Government's job now is to balance itself so it navigates between those two risks, and we neither put ourselves in the way of runaway inflation, nor do we adopt policies which would slow economic growth.''

Separately, Japanese Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto said, ''The economies of the G-7 countries can likely absorb the effects of oil price increases.'' He said easing credit to cushion the shock could fuel inflation.

The officials, who met last in May, took a steady-as-we-go stance on foreign exchange and interest rates. They noted with satisfaction that the Japanese yen has appreciated from its low levels earlier this year.

The statement left room for the United States to lower its interest rates if

Washington politicans can trim the budget deficit.

Alluding to ongoing but unfruitful talks between Congress and the White House on reducing the deficit, the ministers ''encouraged the United States to bring the budget summit to a prompt and successful conclusion.''

The U.S., Japanese, German, French, Italian, British and Canadian officials acknowledged the distress caused to poorer nations by soaring energy costs and other effects of Iraq's invasion and takeover of Kuwait.

They endorsed proposals to financially assist the so-called front-line states of Jordan, Turkey and Egypt whose economies have been severely disrupted. East European economies also are declining under heavier energy costs.

The officials urged the International Monetary Fund and World Bank, which are holding their annual meetings in Washington this week, ''to adopt appropriate measures, on an expedited basis'' to help such nations.

Jordan and Turkey depended heavily on trade with Iraq, which has been cut off to a mere trickle by a U.N.-mandated economic embargo. Egyptian workers by the thousands have fled Iraq and Kuwait, losing essential jobs.

In Eastern Europe and the Third World nations such as Brazil, higher oil prices are threatening to choke off development at a critical time.

But the principal thrust of the G-7 statement was to advocate caution without fear in the face of the 1990 Iraqi oil shock.

''What we were trying to convey here is a sense of stability, which in fact has been the case,'' Brady said. ''Markets ... have been stable, '' he added. ''All in all, there has been no precipitous decline.''

Since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, the price of a barrel of oil has gyrated on markets until hitting a record high of just over $35 Friday.

Industrialized nations, more energy efficient, are better equipped than other countries to absorb higher oil prices. But the Iraq oil shock hit just as the U.S. economy was slowing with inflation rising.

Rising oil prices have put U.S. economic officials in a particular quandary, one that the G-7 session did not seem able to answer.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan - also attending the G-7 meeting, has been under intense administration in this midterm election year to bring down short-term interest rates to revive the economy.

But easing credit right now, with oil prices surging, could set off a wave of 1970s-style roaring inflation and disconcert global bond investors on whom the

United States relies to finance its deficits. Paradoxically, lower short-term rates could result in higher long-term and mortgage rates.

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - DIGEST:

Auto Racing

Frenchman Jean-Louis Schlesser and Italian Mauro Baldi have the pole position for Sunday's Player's Mondial Championship race at the Gilles Villeneuve in Montreal. The two posted the best time over two days of qualifying on the 2.72-mile track. Britons Mark Blundell and Julian Bailey will start in the second spot and Britian's Martin Brundle and Dutchman Jan Lemmers in third.

Baseball

Andre Dawson of the Chicago Cubs stole his 300th base in the first inning of Saturday's game with the New York Mets to join Willie Mays as the only players in major league history to register 2,000 hits, 300 homers and 300 stolen bases.

Boxing

Tony Lopez defended his International Boxing Federation Junior Lightweight title with a unanimous decision over IBF Featherweight Champion Jorge Paez before the hometown fans in his native Sacramento, Calif.

College

Howard Griffith of Illinois set two NCAA record by scoring eight touchdowns and 48 points in a 56-21 rout of Southern Illinois. Griffith broke single-game TD and points marks on 21 carries for the No. 17 Fighting Illini. He gained 208 yards, including the scoring runs of 5, 51, 7, 41, 5, 18, 5 and 3 yards. He sat out the fourth quarter. ... The University of South Carolina will become a member of the Southeastern Conference, according to a story in the New Orleans Times-Picayune. The paper reported South Carolina will receive and accept an invitation to join the SEC on Tuesday.

Golf

Nolan Henke shot a 70 to take a three-stroke lead over Barry Jaeckel after the third round of the $700,000 B.C. Open Golf Championship at the En-Joie Course in Endicott, New York. Jaeckel fired a 6-under 65 to move to 10-under. ... Ian Woosnam of Wales and Mark McNulty of Zimbabwe advanced to the finals of the World Matchplay Golf Championship at Virginia Water, England. Woosnam defeated Chip Beck of the U.S. 5 and 3, and McNulty beat Australia's Greg Norman, 3 and

2, in the semifinals. Beck upset top seed and defending champion Nick Faldo in the quarterfinals. ... Caroline Keggi fired a 68 to lead after three rounds of the $325,000 MBS Golf Classic at the Los Coyotes Country Club in Buena Park, Calif.

Tennis

Rick Leach and Jim Pugh defeated Thomas Muster and Alex Antonitsch, 7-6, 3-6, 6-0, 7-5, to give the United States a 2-1 lead over Austria in the best-of-five Davis Cup semifinals at Vienna.

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(SEPT. 22) UPI - Jordan's King Hussein today defended his position on the Persian Gulf crisis and denied he was at odds with President Bush. During a 30-minute speech broadcast to the American people today, the king recognized Saudi Arabia's right to ask for help from Western powers. But Hussein again called for the removal of the U-S-led multi-national force from the region.

A baby boy who is the focus of what's likely to be an UNusual custody battle was released from a hospital in Orange, California, today and taken to the home of his genetic parents. Mark and Crispina Calvert are involved in a custody fight for the child with Anna Johnson. She's the woman they paid 10-thousand dollars to give birth to a fertilized egg implanted in her womb nearly nine months ago.

Forest fires in France continue to burn out of control today, fed by strong winds. The fires have destroyed more than 24-thousand acres near the French Mediterranean coast, forcing the evacuation of about one- thousand residents. More than 13-hundred firefighters are battling the blazes, but fire officials say they may NOT be enough. They point out this is the wine-making season and fewer volunteers are available to help.

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#90265u1556 09/22/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 22) UPI - I-R-S officials say Nevada's oldest and largest brothel... the Mustang Ranch... will go on the auction block to help pay off the owner's multi-Million-dollar tax debt. The I-R-S chief of special projects in Las Vegas says Nevada's first legal bordello will be sold as real estate- NOT as a bordello. The government says owner Joe Conforte owes 13-Million dollars.

Police in Austria have solved a 25-year-old mystery. Authorities announced today they've discovered the bodies of a West German couple who disappeared 25 years ago while mountain climbing in the Austrian Alps. The frozen bodies were found on a peak near the Italian border. The couple was identified by papers in their backpacks that were still legible after a quarter of a century.

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#90265u1679 09/22/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 22) UPI - A Bush administration official says the White House is working out a scaled-down arms package for Saudi Arabia. The original deal proposed some 20-BILLION dollars in arms sales to the Saudis... but faced widespread congressional opposition. The administration reportedly is trying to reduce the sales to about 10-BILLION dollars. The package is expected to be sent to Congress next week.

New York hospitals reportedly are in such need of specialized personnel, some are offering Caribbean vacations to employees who recruit such staffers. One hospital, Beth Israel Medical Center, is even offering tuition to any student who promises to work at the hospital after graduation. A published report says fear of AIDS-infected patients is contributing to the shortage of lab technicians and other specialists.

98 inmates at an East German prison went on a hunger strike today in a show of solidarity with inmates staging revolts at other prisons. The inmates say they want the government to declare an amnesty October 3rd... the scheduled date of German reunification. They say many sentences handed down under the East German communist government were too harsh and should be reviewed.

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#90265u1684 09/22/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 22) UPI - In addition to the budget and trade deficits, the Center for Community Change says the United States suffers from a third deficit... the failure to invest in people and public works. The Washington-based organization estimates the so-called third deficit at 130-BILLION dollars and recommends tax increases to pay the bill. The money would go to improve education and health services... and repair roads, bridges and water systems.

At a wedding ceremony in Corunna, Michigan, last night, guests should have suspected something when the band played the rock-n-roll song ''I Fought the Law.'' At the end of the song, all police officers were asked to identify themselves. All others were told to put their hands up. The bogus wedding was part of a sting operation that netted about 15 suspected drug dealers.

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#90265u1914 09/22/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 22) UPI - New York police today said the F-B-I yesterday raided a sports betting ring that placed bets of more than 500-Million dollars a year. Police are investigating whether the ring is linked to the powerful Luchese crime family.

A high-caste Hindu today poured fuel on his body and set himself on fire in India's Haryana state... to protest a government plan to reserve federal jobs for lower-caste Hindus. The military was then called out to quell violent demonstrations.

A human rights group in Washington, D-C, charges China has dramatically tightened control over religious life in Tibet since riots in 1987. But the International Campaign for Tibet report also says Buddhist monasteries appear to be enjoying a modest revival.

Bulgaria's Socialist Party leader today warned against a fatal split as he opened the party's first congress since it changed its name from the Communist Party in April. The meeting in Sofia is seen as a chance to purge the party of hard-line communists.

Chicago's West Side today suffered its third major power outage in the last two months. Commonwealth Edison officials say the blackout was caused by a switching mistake... while some aldermen say Chicago should provide its own electricity.

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#90265u2009 09/22/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 22) UPI - The last scheduled evacuation flight out of Baghdad has arrived in London. The British Foreign Office says a chartered Iraqi Airways plane landed this evening carrying 182 people... including 50 Americans. Also today, Iraq announced it was closing down the military attache offices of 10 countries, including the United States. All the nations affected by the order support the U-S-led multi-national force in the Persian Gulf region.

Finance ministers and officials from the world's seven leading economies met in Washington today to discuss the state of the world economy in the face of the Persian Gulf crisis. The officials expressed confidence that higher oil prices would NOT push the industrialized world into a recession... but warned the double threat of inflation and slow growth must be dealt with. They also endorsed financial aid for nations hardest hit by the crisis.

A Guatemalan army spokesman today said three Guatemalan soldiers are being held as prime suspects in the June slaying of an American tour guide. The spokesman says NONE of the soldiers are officers... and added that a preliminary finding might be released next week after the soldiers are questioned. The victim.... 49-year-old Michael Devine, originally from Belleville, Illinois... had lived in Guatemala for 18 years.

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#90265u2021 09/22/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 22) UPI - Health officials in Tallahassee, Florida, say two more

clients of a Florida dentist have tested positive for the disease. But they add it's NOT clear if the two individuals contracted the disease from the dentist. Hundreds of patients of Dr. David Acer were tested for the disease after federal officials reported the first known case of a doctor passing the AIDS virus to a patient. Acer died of cancer earlier this month.

The Russian republic government headed by Boris Yeltsin said today it has begun implementing its plan for a market economy. Yeltsin's 500-day program seeks to privatize enterprises and end central control of the economy. The Russian republic also called any new powers for Soviet President Gorbachev ''impermissible.'' Gorbachev had said he might need emergency powers during the crucial period of economic reform.

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#90266d0330 09/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 24) - Stockbroking firm Kay Hian James Chapel (KHJC) Monday offered more than 80 million shares for public subscription despite the Gulf crisis and the resultant depressed stock market situation.

The local market index has plunged more than 26 percent since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait in early August.

The KHJC offer for 83.18 million 10 Singapore cent (six U.S. cents) shares at 75 cents (42 U.S.) each comprises 49.9 million new shares and 33.27 million vendor shares from the James Chapel group.

In a statement issued over the weekend KHJC expressed the hope that the new share issue would net some 36 million Singapore dollars (20 million U.S.) which it said would be used to "facilitate the future development and growth" of the company.

KHJC plans to expand stockbroking activities in Thailand, Indonesia, the Philippines, Hong Kong and Europe.

The offer for public subscription will remain open until October 8.

Kay Hian and James Chapel went into partnership in January last year and James Chapel recently increased its stake from an initial 30 percent to 49 per cent.

After the floation, the two partners will own 37.5 percent of KHJC each, with the public owning the remaining 25 percent.

KHJC is the second company to issue public share offers this month. The Singapore Petroleum Company issued 80 million shares at 1.25 dollars (71 U.S. cents) apiece last Monday.

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#90266d0350 09/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WELLINGTON (SEPT. 24) - New Zealand's biggest company, Fletcher Challenge Ltd. (FCL), said Monday it had become the world's largest crude methanol producer.

FCL chief executive Hugh Fletcher said the company was focusing on resources and had increased methanol production capacity and had acquired oil and gas reserves in Canada.

"With a combined production capacity of over two million tonnes of crude methanol, we are the world's largest methanol producers," Mr. Fletcher said at FCL's annual meeting here, adding that methanol had been their "sole expansion" for the decade in a new resources-to-market chain..

In 1988, FCL purchased the former state-owned Petrocorp which had extensive oil and natural gas interests in New Zealand. It also purchased a synthetic petrol plant which manufactures methanol from natural gas.

He said the purchase of Petrocorp's reserves had been the cheapest oil and gas acquisition in the world in the past past five years.

Every one dollar U.S. rise in the oil price was worth 10.5 million New Zealand dollars (6.5 million dollars U.S) annually to FCL, Mr. Fletcher said.

The pipeline linking Petrocorp's methanol plant to the Synfuel plant allowed Petrocorp to swing 600,000 tonnes of natural gas a year between chemical methanol and synthetic petrol, he said.

In Canada, he said FCL had acquired interests in oil and gas fields in the major Provost field in Alberta.

He said FCL's total oil and gas reserves worldwide -- now the equivalent of 355 million barrels of oil -- had risen by 10 per cent through this acquisition.

FCL is also active in forestry, building materials manufacture, construction and property development, and primary industries.

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#90266d7360 09/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (SEPT. 23) - Twenty-one teachers in Bungoma, western Kenya, have been sacked and banned from teaching for getting schoolgirls pregnant, local newspapers reported Sunday.

Some teachers had offered pupils extra cartons of school milk in return for sex, District Education Officer Fred Kimatu said.

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#90266d7370 09/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
COLOMBO (SEPT. 23) - A total of 2,006 Sri Lankans were flown home from the Middle East over the weekend, the Sri Lankan foreign ministry said here Sunday.

Four flights despatched under the government's accelerated programme to repatriate Sri Lankan nationals stranded in the Gulf had brought back 1,198 people since Saturday, the ministry said in a statement.

Two flights, financed by the International Organisation for Migration, arrived Saturday with 688 passengers, while a U.S. Air Force flight brought home another 120 people Sunday, the statement said.

An estimated 80,000 Sri Lankans were in Kuwait and another 20,000 in Iraq when Baghdad's troops invaded the emirate on August 2.

Justice Minister A.C.S. Hameed, a member of a ministerial committee appointed by President Ranasinghe Premadasa to help Sri Lankans stranded in the Middle East, said a four-flight shuttle was bringing home some 1,200 Sri Lankans daily.

Some 15,000 people have been flown back so far and the number is expected to reach 25,000 by the end of September, the official Sunday Observer weekly quoted Mr. Hameed as saying.

A Jordanian ship carrying some 1,700 Sri Lankans was due here shortly, he said adding that Colombo had established a mission in Jordan to speed up the repatriation process.

The cabinet has approved a one billion rupee (25 million dollar) package to facilitate evacuation of Sri Lankans from the Gulf, and more funds would be made available if necessary, he said.

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#90266d7490 09/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 23) - Heat, snakes and scorpions have been keeping things interesting for members of a U.S. Air Force medical evacuation squadron sent to Saudi Arabia as part of "Operation Desert Shield."

Major Carol Darby, the officer in charge of the 1st Air Medical Evacuation Squadron, the 1st AES, said Sunday that the squadron has flown out "around 400" sick or injured U.S. troops.

"You name it, we've had everything; broken bones, a couple of snake bites, one scorpion bite, surgery, appendectomies," said the 34-year-old officer from

California.

She declined to specify the number of soldiers flown out afer suffering from heatstroke but said "there haven't been as many of those as you would think."

Staff Sergeant Stephen Torres, a 25-year-old Texan, said the most serious cases have been "a couple of suspected heart attacks."

"A couple of guys were in with compound fractures of lower legs," he added, including one who may face amputation after falling out of a truck while asleep when it hit a bump.

The basic duties of the squadron are to look after the sick or injured, or in time of combat, the wounded, for "two to six hours," Major Darby explained, between the time they arrive and are flown elsewhere.

There are no doctors in the outfit, dubbed the "Desert Express" and usually based in Pope, North Carolina, just nurses and medical technicians.

"We're kind of the in-between sick area," said Major Barbara Martin of another Air Medical Evacuation Squadron, the 31st AES.

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#90266d7570 09/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 23) - Syringe-wielding thieves are terrorising the Australian public with the criminal threat of the 1990s: "your money or my AIDS".

A renewed spate of robberies with blood-filled syringes has occurred since a 21-year-old prison warden contracted the killer AIDS virus after he was stabbed by a prisoner with the health device turned lethal weapon.

Police said Friday that in one of the latest attacks, a male transvestite demanding money squirted "red liquid" at a five-month pregnant clothing shop assistant. The man, believed to be about 30, fled with the takings.

Police said a man was abducted, robbed and jabbed in the hand twice with a blood-filled syringe on Thursday by two men who told their victim he would contract acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS).

But medical authorities say that victims of such attacks only have a slim chance of catching the disease, which is transmitted through contaminated blood.

Simon Latimer, spokesman for the New South Wales police, said syringe attacks had emerged as a popular way to terrorise and rob the public.

He refused to reveal the number of attacks, saying such statistics were

confidential, and partially blamed media publicity for promoting the new form of terror.

"We prefer not to attract publicity because you get an awful lot of copycats.

"A lot of them are drug addicts," he said. "Syringes are an easily obtainable weapon."

Peter Liehne, from Canberra's AIDS Policy and Program Branch, said that no one knew the exact risk of catching AIDS from needle injuries.

But studies of health workers who had been pricked by syringes used on AIDS patients showed the odds of contracting the disease were between one in 200 and one in 300.

"That data is based on accidents," he said, adding that the risk to an individual who suffered a needle stick injury was related to the amount of blood transfered.

"We don't really know how to compare the amount of blood that may be transfered in the event of an attack by a needle," he said.

But he added, "You would have to be extremely unlucky to become infected from a needle stick injury."

The list of syringe attacks however keeps growing. Last month a man waved a blood-filled syringe in a fast food shop, threatening to stab the female cashier if she refused to hand over the money.

Two months ago, a 40-year-old woman terrorised a shoe shop in Sydney's central business district with a syringe.

In January, a man in his 30s stabbed a taxi driver with a syringe and robbed him of 150 dollars (124 U.S.).

Two years ago, the son of a wealthy Melbourne businessman was abducted by kidnappers who threatened to inject him with AIDS-contaminated blood unless a 500,000 dollar (412,100 U.S.) ransom was paid. Three men were charged over the incident.

About the same time, a 23-year-old man held six police at bay with a syringe in Sydney. The man was overcome by a policeman using his baton.

The health department estimated in 1988 that more than 110,000 Australians used intravenous drugs on a regular or irregular basis.

Official statistics say that almost 2,000 Australians have AIDS and 1,207 have already died from the disease, which robs the body of its ability to fight

disease and infections.

Nearly 90 per cent of AIDS cases were attributed to homosexual contact between men.

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#90266d7590 09/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PHNOM PENH (SEPT. 23) - Progress by Cambodia's warring factions towards consolidating an interim authority is welcome here, but some analysts wonder how long they can keep their bickering off the battlefield.

Many diplomats and insiders believe the four warring parties have been doing their best to ensure that the bloodshed continues, just as their powerful sponsors find common ground for seeking peace.

Several analysts reckoned that the latest move towards reconciliation, following an impasse last week, came amid intense outside pressure on the Cambodians.

"It seems only that the Cambodians themselves do not care about peace," said one seasoned observer.

A diplomat from a socialist nation agreed, saying, "My feeling is that the Cambodian parties are not that hot about an immediate solution."

Their remarks followed the failure last week in Bangkok of the first meeting of the Supreme National Council (SNC) -- a body grouping six members of the Phnom Penh government and six representatives of the three-party resistance.

Under a peace plan proposed by the permanent members of the U.N. Security Council -- Britain, France, China, the Soviet Union and the United States -- the SNC would embody Cambodian sovereignty and hold its U.N. seat.

But the rival sides in their meeting could not agree on the chairmanship of the SNC and did not even discuss the U.N. seat.

However they appeared later in the week to be moving towards agreement on expanding the SNC to 14 members to ensure parity between the two sides and allow nominal resistance chief Prince Norodom Sihanouk to join as president.

(In Bangkok, Cambodian sources said the three guerrilla factions were expected to meet Sunday on the proposal by Prince Sihanouk to expand the SNC and put the peace process back on track.)

But despite the signs of progress, many locals here believe peace is a long way off.

"A small minority think peace will come soon," said Som Kim Suor, editor of the Pracheachun newspaper. "The way to peace is long because of obstacles and difficulty caused by the other side."

Some analysts said the failure of the first SNC meeting was the fault of all four sides and, while welcoming the latest rapprochement, wondered when the next falling out will occur.

One diplomat said each side had reasons for maintaining the status quo.

Peace and reconciliation would signify a power realignment in Phnom Penh which would result in several officials losing their influential posts, he said.

The communist Khmer Rouge, the military muscle of the tripartite resistance coalition, would be forced to disband its forces and become just another political party -- and not a popular one at that -- among many.

The diplomat said the two weak non-communist factions had no claim to a significant role in a future government and could retain a high profile and receive overseas assistance only so long as the fighting continued.

"I do believe that some of this assistance clings to some fingers," the diplomat added.

These factors would help to explain why all four sides had no interest in a prompt solution, he said, adding that the squabbling and bloodletting "could go on for quite some time."

Many here reacted with amazement when Prince Norodom Ranarridh, heading his father Prince Sihanouk's delegation, decided to leave last week's SNC meeting early to send his children to school.

"How can Cambodia rely on such people for their own fate?" said one top diplomat.

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#90266d7680 09/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

YANBU, Saudi Arabia (SEPT. 23) - The 42 helicopters stationed aboard the French aircraft carrier Clemenceau since August 12 began moving Sunday to Yanbu, a Saudi oil port 350 kilometres (217 miles) north of Jeddah.

Some 500 men of the 5th combat helicopter regiment, with 30 Gazelle and 12 Puma helicopters were to join 100 members of the 5th regiment already stationed in Yanbu with two Puma and four Gazelle helicopters.

The 5th helicopter regiment at Yanbu is expected to be moved closer to the Saudi-Iraq border beginning Thursday, while trucks and war materiel still

aboard the Clemenceau should be unloaded Monday, military sources said.

Egyptian troops that arrived in Yanbu early Saturday left Sunday aboard a Saudi Airlines 747 for Hafar al Batin, 100 kilometres (60 miles) south of the Saudi-Iraq border.

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#90266d7690 09/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (SEPT. 23) - Israel on Sunday warned that it was ready to defend itself against an Iraqi attack, after President Saddam Hussein vowed that Israel and Saudi Arabia would be swept away by any U.S. strike on Iraq.

Government spokesman Avi Pazner said Israel "always takes seriously" threats by President Hussein.

He added: "This is not the first time that Saddam Hussen has threatened us. Since the invasion of Kuwait (on August 2) he has tried to drag Israel into the conflict in order to transform it into an Israeli-Arab confrontation.

"Israel is not involved in the conflict. But if we are attacked we have the means to defend ourselves, as we have demonstrated in the past," Mr. Pazner said.

Mr. Hussein, in a statement issued after a meeting of Iraq's Revolutionary Command Council and the Iraqi Baath Party, warned that if Iraq were being strangled and was attacked by the United States, Israel and the Gulf oil states would be swept away in the ensuing violence.

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#90266d8960 09/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 23) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker Sunday said the Gulf crisis could still be resolved through diplomacy, but that the United States was keeping all of its options open.

"I don't think we are running out of non-military options," Mr. Baker told NBC television.

He noted that the U.N. Security Council was scheduled to meet Tuesday to study ways to strengthen the sanctions it had mandated against Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait in response to Baghdad's August 2 invasion of the small emirate.

U.S. President George Bush -- who has sent more than 150,000 troops to the Gulf to help protect Saudi Arabia from a possible Iraqi attack -- is still seeking a peaceful solution to the crisis, said Mr. Baker.

But Mr. Bush "will not and should not rule out other options," Mr. Baker added.

Mr. Baker refused to comment on reports published Sunday in The Washington Post which said the U.S. military had drafted contingency plans to mount ground assaults against Iraq from at least four directions, including from Jordan and Turkey.

But in case of an Iraqi provocation, the United States would respond appropriately, he said. He indicated that if U.S. officials decided to use force, they would consult with the United Nations to try to maintain the international consensus on the Gulf crisis.

"We cannot begin to walk away from six U.N. resolutions," Mr. Baker said, referring to the Security Council-mandated measures aimed at pressuring Baghdad to withdraw its troops from Kuwait.

He rejected any possibility of reaching a compromise with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as long as Iraq continued to ignore the U.N. measures by occupying Kuwait.

"It would be a serious mistake to be going down that road," said Mr. Baker, adding that discussions could take place after an Iraqi withdrawal.

Meanwhile, in Freetown, sources close to the interim government of Liberia formed in the Sierra Leone capital said rival Liberian leaders would meet in the city Friday for negotiations to end the civil war.

The sources said the U.S. government was working to bring Mr. Taylor and Mr. Johnson together to the negotiating table. They said Mr. Taylor would "be forced to talk peace or he'll die".

U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs Herman Cohen met both men during his four-day visit to West Africa last week.

The sources in Freetown said the interim government had offered Mr. Taylor the position of speaker of the national assembly -- the highest position from which a candidate could run in presidential elections.

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#90266d9140 09/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (SEPT. 23) - Israeli Health Minister Ehud Olmert on Sunday urged Israeli soldiers and civilians to open fire whenever their lives are threatened by Palestinians in the occupied territories.

Mr. Olmert, a member of the ruling right-wing Likud bloc, told Voice of Israel radio that Israelis on the West Bank and Gaza Strip should "shoot without hesitation" if they came under attack.

"It's better to deal with media criticism than to be lynched by Arabs," he said following a cabinet meeting to discuss the murder last Thursday of an Israeli army reservist in a Palestinian refugee camp on the Gaza Strip.

Another right-wing member of the cabinet, Agriculture Minister Rafael Eytan, said authorities should raze the area of the Bureijh refugee camp where the soldier was killed.

As punishment, he added, Israel should "expel 200 young Palestinians from the camp" to an Arab country.

Tension was reported high Sunday on the Gaza Strip, where 11 Palestinians were shot and wounded in confrontations with soldiers, according to Palestinian sources.

In Tunis Palestine Liberation Organization official Bassam Abu Sharif spoke of an "explosive situation" and said the PLO had been in contact with United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

More than 30 Palestinians have now been detained in connection with an attack that took place when Amnon Pomerantz, a 46-year-old reservist, drove into the Bureijh camp apparently by mistake.

When his car was stoned, he tried to leave the compound but collided with a donkey-drawn cart and injured two Palestinian teenagers, according to Israeli and Arab sources.

An enraged crowd then attacked Mr. Pomerantz with stones and set his car ablaze. His body was reported to have been burned beyond recognition.

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#90266d9190 09/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 23) - South African anti-apartheid cleric and former Nobel Peace Prize winner Desmond Tutu has arrived in the United States, his office announced here Sunday.

He will spend the next week in the United States and Puerto Rico "fulfilling a range of church, university and other public commitments", the office said in a statement.

Archbishop Tutu left South Africa Friday to conduct a wedding in New York Sunday, the statement added.

He is also scheduled to conduct a confirmation service in the Virgin Islands and to visit the United Nations and the Council on Foreign Relations in the United States. In Puerto Rico he will address the Bar Association.

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#90266d9250 09/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RIO DE JANEIRO (SEPT. 23) - Thirty tons of coconuts grown in northern Brazil are on their way to the Soviet Union to help victims of the 1986 nuclear reactor disaster at Chernobyl, according to press reports here Sunday.

Scientists at Kiev University had discovered that an extract derived from the inside of the coconut shell can help to remove strontium and other radioactive contamination from the human body.

The coconuts are being donated by a Brazilian export firm.

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#90266e0003 09/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
LA PAZ (SEPT. 23) EFE - A month-long trek to the peaks of the Andes and a sacrificed llama have paid dividends for a Bolivian indian tribe.

The government declared Saturday that 1,700 square km of the Chimanes rainforest in northern Bolivia was indian land and ordered logging companies exploiting the timber to get out.

It was a major victory for the environment and the indians who had marched 650 km through steamy jungles 4,600 m up the Andean wall to the capital La Paz to demand the return of ancestral territory.

Seven different logging companies have been felling trees in the forest -- home to 6,000 indians -- over the past four years under government contract. Officials admit that half the wood in Chimanes forest has been cleared by lumberjacks in four years.

The 700 poorly-clad, hungry, cold and exhausted marchers, including pregnant women, children and old men, reached the outskirts of La Paz Monday where they halted to sacrifice a llama before entering the city.

Their spirits were lifted when the heart of the llama was still beating after it had been pulled from the body, a good omen.

After five days of hard bargaining with government officials, including three ministers, it was agreed that logging companies must wrap up their felling operations by October 31 and clear timber stocks within three months.

With victory secure the Indians looked forward to a more comfortable home trip on a Hercules transport aircraft, courtesy of the government.

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#90266e0006 09/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
WARSAW (SEPT. 23) EFE - Poland will insist on entry visas for Germans visiting the country in response to restrictions imposed on Poles wishing to travel to the unified Germany, the Foreign Ministry announced Sunday.

An official communique said the government regretted having to take the measure, effective October 3, the day Germany becomes a single nation, but added it was necessary because of the discriminatory position adopted by German authorities.

Until now Poles had been able to travel to East Germany and continue to West Berlin without entry visas.

The communique pointed out that citizens from other central European countries such as Hungary and Czechoslovakia will not require entry visas to travel to Germany.

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#90266e0012 09/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
BUENOS AIRES (SEPT 23) EFE - Argentine President Carlos Menem has sacked an adviser for shipping 140 tons of beef to Iraq in defiance of a United Nations economic embargo, an official statement said Sunday.

Parliamentary deputy Alberto Samid, also a meat dealer, said he had sent to beef to Iraq for humanitarian reasons.

+There are hungry children, women and old people who have nothing to do with the war in Iraq,+ said Samid.

But the official statement said Samid had openly violated Argentina's adherence to United Nations sanctions against Iraq. The sanctions, which were imposed after Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait in August, permit humanitarian shipments of food and medicine but only through international agencies.

Samid, who admits that he supports the Iraqi invasion, shipped the meat by air to Iraq via Iran.

The statement said an official investigation would be opened to determine how Samid broke the embargo.

Argentina has sent two warships and troops to the Gulf as part of the multinational force deployed against Iraq.

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#90266e0016 09/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
LISBON (SEPT. 23) EFE - Three workers died in an explosion aboard a Portuguese oil-tanker at the Lisnave shipyards on the opposite bank of the River Tajo from Lisbon, firefighters reported Sunday.

Firemen said the explosion Saturday had caused a small fire which had been quickly brought under control but that they were unable to save the three who were cleaning out the ship's tanks at the time.

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#90266e0017 09/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
NICOSIA (SEPT. 23) EFE - The president of Bangladesh, Hussein Irshad, said on a visit to the United Arab Emirates Sunday that he was ready to send more troops to Saudi Arabia if requested, according to radio reports monitored in Nicosia.

Irshad said that his was one of six Moslem countries in Asia that were drawing up a peace initiative calling for the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait. He did not name the other countries involved.

Bangladesh, one of the world's poorest nations, has already sent 2,000 troops and promised another 3,000 to join the U.S.-spearheaded forces facing up to the Iraqi Army which invaded Kuwait August 2.

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#90266e0033 09/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
SAN SALVADOR (SEPT. 23) EFE - El Salvador's leftist guerrillas Sunday claimed they caused more than 100 Army casualties, brought down four helicopters and confiscated numerous weapons over the last week.

Radio Farabundo Marti of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) rebel group said its guerrillas had attacked Army positions in Usulutan department, 110 km east of the capital, and had brought down three helicopters there.

The report said a fourth military helicopter was downed in the eastern Morazan region.

The FMLN said that in the strife-torn region of Chalatenango, some 80 km north of San Salvador, it had inflicted 25 casualties on the elite Ramon Belloso battalion.

The report did not distinguish between deaths and injuries in the casualty figures, nor did it give the FMLN's own losses.

In the last week the FMLN has destroyed 11 electricity pylons, which the

rebels said has forced the government to reduce supplies throughout the country.

The guerrillas said they had also confiscated grenade launchers, M-16 rifles, and a radio set.

Also Sunday, the U.S. Embassy in San Salvador denied reports its guards had captured five suspected guerrillas as they were allegedly placing a bomb against an embassy compound wall.

A spokesman said U.S. embassy police had at no time taken part in arresting the five, saying Salvadoran authorities had captured the suspected guerrillas.

The University of El Salvador's General Association of Students charged last Wednesday that U.S. embassy police had seized the five students.

The FMLN said the supposed intervention of U.S. embassy police in seizing the students was +an imperialist intervention, and that the embassy was henceforth a legitimate military target.

The FMLN has been locked in a decade-long insurgency with a series of right-wing, U.S.-backed governments in which around 75,000 people are estimated to have been killed.

-30- 2133

#90266h0268 09/23/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 23) XINHUA - IRAQI PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN RECEIVED TODAY TUNISIAN PRIME MINISTER HAMED KAROUI WHO HANDED HIM A WRITTEN MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT ZINE AL-ABIDINE BEN ALI ON THE SITUATION IN THE GULF REGION AND RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, BAGHDAD RADIO REPORTED.

DURING THE MEETING, SADDAM EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE TUNISIAN POSITION ON THE GULF CRISIS, WHILE KAROUI REAFFIRMED HIS COUNTRY'S SUPPORT FOR IRAQ IN THE CRISIS, THE RADIO ADDED.

IRAQ'S FIRST DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER TAHA YASSEN RAMADAN HAD EARLIER MET WITH THE TUNISIAN PRIME MINISTER WHO ARRIVED HERE SATURDAY EVENING FOR AN OFFICIAL VISIT.

RAMADAN REAFFIRMED IRAQ'S ATTITUDE TOWARD THE GULF CRISIS AND LASHED OUT AT THE UNITED STATES FOR CONTINUING ITS AGGRESSIVE PLOTS AGAINST IRAQ.

KAROUI REITERATED HIS COUNTRY'S READINESS TO BOOST AND STRENGTHEN TIES WITH IRAQ.

THE TUNISIAN PRIME MINISTER AND HIS ACCOMPANYING DELEGATION LEFT BAGHDAD THIS AFTERNOON AFTER A ONE-DAY VISIT TO IRAQ.

-30- 1150

#90266h0271 09/23/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 23) XINHUA - U.S. TREASURY SECRETARY NICHOLAS BRADY TODAY CALLED ON THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF) AND WORLD BANK TO 'STAND READY' TO ASSIST THOSE COUNTRIES ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS.

ADDRESSING A SESSION OF IMF INTERIM COMMITTEE, BRADY SAID THE TWO INTERNATIONAL LENDING AGENCIES SHOULD ALSO ADJUST THEIR POLICIES TO MAKE THEMSELVES MORE 'FLEXIBLE AND RESPONSIVE' TO THE NEEDS OF MEMBERS SERIOUSLY AFFECTED BY THE CRISIS.

HE ALSO CALLED ON THE IMF TO EXPAND COMPENSATORY FINANCING AND INCREASE, ON A TEMPORARY BASIS, ITS LENDING LIMITS UNDER OTHER EXISTING PROGRAMS TO THOSE AFFECTED COUNTRIES.

DESPITE HIGHER PRICES STEMMING FROM THE GULF CRISIS, HE SAID, 'INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES AS A GROUP STILL EXPECT SOLID GROWTH.'

"THE PATTERN OF GROWTH -- MORE RAPID IN GERMANY AND JAPAN, SLOWER IN NORTH AMERICAN AND THE UNITED KINGDOM -- IS CONDUCIVE TO CONTINUED ADJUSTMENT OF EXTERNAL IMBALANCES."

ACCORDING TO BRADY, THE TASK FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY COORDINATION IS TO SUSTAIN GROWTH WITHOUT REIGNITING INFLATION, IN AN ENVIRONMENT CHARACTERIZED BY OIL MARKET UNCERTAINTIES.

"THIS WILL BE DIFFICULT. BUT IT IS ACHIEVABLE," HE TOLD THE SESSION. HE ALSO PLEDGED TO MAKE SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS IN REDUCING THE UNITED STATES' BUDGET DIFICIT, WHICH IS PROJECTED TO TOP 250 BILLION DOLLARS IN THE ABSENCE OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE WHITE HOUSE AND CONGRESS.

THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT INTEND TO SET ASIDE ITS BUDGET DEFICIT REDUCTION PROGRAM FOR ANY REASON.

"WE BELIEVE IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR SECURING LONG TERM (ECONOMIC) GROWTH," HE NOTED.

-30- 1803

#90266p7176 09/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE -- The more than 12,800 members of the Canadian Auto Workers Union at Ford will be back on the job on Monday morning after one week on strike. Today they overwhemingly endorsed a new collective agreement at all locations with an overall vote of 91 percent for production and 88 percent for skilled trades.

CAW President Bob White in addressing the Windsor meeting called the new agreement ''the best ever negotiated for Ford Canada workers.'' The new three year agreement provides wage increases of 3 percent in the first year and 2 percent in the second and third year, plus cost-of-living payments in each year. The total increases are projected to average 6.4 percent in each year of $3.60 over the life of the agreement. The base rate, including COLA for a production worker will now rise to $19.15 and to $21.41 by the third year of the agreement.

As well the CAW achieved a progressive Worker Security Program to protect workers in the event of layoffs and job loss. White said that Prime Minister Mulroney had promised workers the best adjustment program possible under the Free Trade Agreement but that did not happen. ''The Prime Minister failed to address it in legislation," said White. "He forced us to do it at the bargaining table and this should become a pattern for a legislative framework for dealing with plant closures and job dislocations.''

Under the new agreement Ford workers will get an additional 32 hours paid time off each year. As well each year they will receive a $500 vacation bonus in addition to their regular vacation pay, a breakthrough in the auto industry.

The union has also established a Social Justice Fund funded by Ford at a rate of one cent per hour worked to assist those in need nationally and internationally.

The Ford agreement will set a pattern for the more than 60,000 workers at all the Big 3 in Canada. White said he will be meeting with the G.M. and Chrysler bargaining committees this week to go over the details of the agreement and to establish a timetable for the next target. This time table will be announced within a few days.

CONTACT: Peggy Nash of the Canadian Auto Workers, 416-531-1768

-30- 2404

#90266p7178 09/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE -- Robert Maxwell, chairman of Berlitz International Inc. (NYSE: BTZ), announced today that Berlitz and Fukutake Publishing Co. Ltd. have signed a letter of intent containing the terms under which Fukutake would purchase a minority stake of 20 percent of Berlitz International's profitable Japanese subsidiary.

Commenting on the proposed transaction, Maxwell said: "Fukutake provides Berlitz access to over 3 million potential students in Japan who have evidenced interest in improving their education through home-study programs and many of whom are potential Berlitz English language students. In addition Fukutake has already established a presence in the Chinese market and will ease Berlitz's entry into that very important market."

The agreed price of the sale of the 20 percent interest will be yen 3.5 billion (U.S. $25.7 million at an exchange rate of yen 136.2 to the dollar). The proceeds will be used to reduce the debt of Berlitz International and to fund the expansion of Berlitz throughout Asia. The parties have also agreed to bring Berlitz Japan shares public on the Japan OTC market as soon as practicable.

Soichiro Fukutake, president of Fukutake, will join the board of Berlitz International Inc., the parent company. Commenting on the transaction, Fukutake said, "I see significant opportunities for both companies through this investment."

Fukutake Publishing Co. Ltd. is a 35-year-old company with 2.2 million students enrolled in its home-study enrichment programs and is the largest educational publishing company in Japan.

In the United States, Fukutake has co-published with the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York and the National Geographic Society, and a number of these publications have been translated into Japanese, French and German. The company has recently launched home-study enrichment programs for children in the United States and in China.

Berlitz is the world's premier language instruction company with some 276 schools in 25 countries, 52 of them in Japan. Its world-renowned instructional materials, travel guides and foreign-language phrase books are used by some 5 million travelers each year.

CONTACT: Charles Francis of Hill and Knowlton, 202-944-5145, for Berlitz International

-30- 2488

#90266p7180 09/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Corroon & Black Corporation announced that, at a meeting held on September 23, 1990, its board of directors declared a special dividend of $2.50 per Corroon & Black share, payable in cash to all Corroon & Black stockholders of record as of the effective date of its proposed merger with Willis Faber p.l.c. The special dividend will be payable 15 days after the consummation of the merger. Willis Faber has consented to the payment of the dividend, which is conditioned upon consummation of the merger.

As previously announced, an unsolicited proposal from Aon Corporation to acquire Corroon & Black for $40 per share was withdrawn by Aon on September 21 1990, after Corroon & Black informed Aon of the board of directors' reaffirmation of its commitment to the merger with Willis Faber.

Richard M. Miller, chairman & chief executive officer of Corroon & Black, stated:

"We are pleased that the withdrawal of the Aon proposal has cleared the way for the creation of Willis Corroon, a company which, we believe, will be one of the international leaders in our industry. Moreover, we believe that the special dividend further enhances the value of the transaction to our shareholders."

Corroon & Black will circulate to its shareholders proxy materials describing the special dividend and other recent events, and has determined to adjourn to October 4, 1990 the Special Meeting of Corroon & Black Stockholders originally scheduled to be held on September 28, 1990.

CONTACT: Robert P. Cuthbert of Corroon & Black, 212-363-4100

-30- 1756

#90266t2074 09/23/1990 ~ts

KABUL SEPTEMBER 23 TASS - U.N. SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR FOR HUMAN RIGHTS FELIX ERMACORA ARRIVED HERE ON SATURDAY.

HE WILL HOLD TALKS WITH THE AFGHAN LEADERSHIP ON THE ISSUES OF MUTUAL INTEREST THE BAKHTAR NEWS AGENCY REPORTS.

SOME 800 REFUGEES HAVE RETURNED TO HERAT PROVINCE ON SATURDAY. LOCAL AUTHORITIES HAVE PROVIDED THEM WITH TOP PRIORITIES.

STATE SECURITY SERVICEMEN HAVE DEFEATED A REBEL UNIT, WHICH LOOTED ON THE ROAD BETWEEN KHYRATON AND PULI KHUMRI. THE SEIZED CRIMINALS WILL BE BROUGHT TO COURT.

TEN AFGHAN CHILDREN, WOUNDED DURING SHELLINGS OF AFGHAN SETTLEMENTS BY REBELS, HAVE LEFT FOR THE UNITED STATES FOR TREATMENT AT THE INVITATION OF THE ISLAMIC CENTRE IN NEW YORK.

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#90266t2086 09/23/1990 ~ts

CAIRO (SEPT. 23) TASS - THE IRAQI AUTHORITIES HAVE ANNOUNCED THAT THE KUWAITI DINAR WILL BE REMOVED FROM CIRCULATION IN THE COUNTRY, THE MENA NEWS AGENCY REPORTS. IT WAS ANNOUNCED IN BAGHDAD TONIGHT THAT, STARTING FROM TOMORROW, THOSE WHO HAVE THE KUVAITI CURRENCY WILL BE ABLE TO EXCHANGE IT ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING EXCHANGE RATE: ONE IRAQI DINAR FOR ONE KUWAITI DINAR.

BEFORE IRAQ INVADED AND ANNEXED KUWAIT, THE EXCHANGE RATE OF THE KUWAITI NATIONAL CURRENCY WAS 1:3 AS AGAINST THE IRAQI DINAR.

STARTING FROM OCTOBER 6, KUWAITI DINARS IN ANY BANK-NOTES WILL BE REGARDED AS INVALID AND "ILLEGAL" IN IRAQ AND IRAQI-OCCUPIED KUWAIT.

-30- 777

#90266u0116 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 23) UPI - Government radio traffic indicates an Air Force rocket is due to take off early Sunday with a secret military payload. Red warning lights are flashing at Florida's Cape Canaveral Air Force Station... and the Coast Guard is warning fishermen to steer clear of the rocket's presumed flight path. The cargo is believed to be a satellite with an infrared telescope capable of detecting rocket launches.

The National Organization for Women Saturday denounced a Florida judge who freed a confessed rapist. NOW's national vice-president told a NOW convention in Sanford, Florida, that feminists deluged the organization with inquiries asking what could be done about the case. The confessed rapist... Mark McCullough... was released Thursday after the judge said his victim was partly to blame.

Syrian President Hafez Assad travelled to Iran Saturday to try to win Tehran's cooperation in opposing Iraq's occupation of Kuwait. Iran and Syria have had close ties. But the Iranian News Agency said Saturday that Iran's war with Iraq in the 1980's was ''the main reason for the alliance between Tehran and Damascus.'' The agency added that Iran will now ''take a more independent attitude'' toward Syria.

Nicaragua has announced drastic cuts in the government payroll to try to rescue the country's economy. The economy minister Saturday revealed plans to lay off 10-thousand soldiers and 15-thousand government workers. The minister said the workers would be ''placed in productive activities'' through government programs. But the opposition Sandinistas plan a meeting to analyze the new government programs... and one labor leader vows to fight the layoffs.

-30- 1842

#90266u0118 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 23) UPI - A construction accident Saturday in Chicopee, Massachusetts, spewed ammonia into the air and forced hundreds of area residents to flee their homes. NO serious injuries were reported. Workers tearing down a defunct dairy caused the leak when they struck a pipe in a refrigeration unit. A firefighter dispatcher said only a small amount of ammonia was released... but the leak went on for several hours before firefighters were able to cap it.

Pehaps wedding guests in Corruna, Michigan, should have suspected something when the band played ''I Fought the Law.'' At the end of the song Friday night police announced all the guests were under arrest. The bride lifted her white gown and pulled out a .38 caliber handgun. The groom identified suspects. The

couple was a pair of undercover police officers and the wedding was an elaborate trick to round up alleged drug dealers.

-30- 1047

#90266u0139 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (SEPT. 23) UPI - Urban commandos belonging to El Salvador's insurgency Saturday asked top rebel commanders to make U.S. personnel and installations a target in the country's civil war.

''The urban commandos of the FMLN request of our general command that both personnel and installations of the American government be considered military objectives by our units,'' said a communique published in the afternoon edition of El Latino newspaper.

FMLN are the Spanish initials of the leftist Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, which has fought successive U.S.-backed Salvadoran governments for the past decade.

The communique followed an incident Thursday in which officers of the Salvadoran National Police providing security to the U.S. Embassy participated in the arrest of five urban commandos caught planting a bomb on a light post not far from the embassy.

''It (the communique) is certainly threatening, if not a direct threat,'' said U.S. Embassy spokesman Jefferson Brown. ''We want to clarify that no U.S. personel were involved in the arrest. It was strictly a National Police operation.''

The communinque referred to the incident as ''blatant intervention of Yankee imperialism.''

The police officers were driving a vehicle provided by the embassy when they saw the bomb being planted and followed the suspects to the nearby National University, where all five were arrested and explosives and automatic weapons were confiscated.

For the past several years, the FMLNs policy has been not to target U.S. personnel.

In 1985, however, guerrillas killed four U.S. marines who were dining at a resturant in San Salvadors posh Zona Rosa district. Two U.S. businessmen and seven other people were also killed in the attack.

-30- 1986

#90266u0152 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 23) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	82	70	.539	-	46-27	36-43	3-7	L-1
Toronto	82	70	.539	-	43-37	39-33	6-4	L-2
Detroit	73	79	.480	9	36-39	37-40	5-5	L-2
Cleveland	73	80	.477	9 1/2	39-37	34-43	9-1	W-6
Baltimore	69	81	.460	12	37-39	32-42	6-4	W-4
Milwaukee	69	82	.457	12 1/2	34-38	35-44	2-8	L-5
New York	61	91	.401	21	33-40	28-51	3-7	W-1
West								
Oakland	97	54	.642	-	50-27	47-27	7-3	W-3
Chicago	88	64	.579	9 1/2	45-29	43-35	8-2	W-2
Texas	80	71	.530	17	45-30	35-41	6-4	L-1
California	75	76	.497	22	41-36	34-40	5-5	L-1
Seattle	74	79	.484	24	39-42	35-37	4-6	L-2
Kansas City	70	81	.464	27	43-34	27-47	4-6	W-1
Minnesota	69	84	.451	29	38-39	31-45	4-6	L-2

-30- 1094

#90266u0178 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

MEXICO CITY (SEPT. 23) UPI - At least 25 people died and an undetermined number were missing Saturday after three reservoirs, swelled by heavy rains, overflowed three dams in Chihuahua, 775 miles north of Mexico City, the Mexican news agency Notimex reported.

Chihuahua state government declared a disaster zone in 10 flooded neighborhoods, Notimex said.

Municipal Chairman Rodolfo Torres Medina said the Arroyo de la Cantera district, in downtown Chihuahua, was completely covered by the waters.

Notimex quoted firefighters' spokesman Mario Perez saying ''tens of houses''were destroyed after the current overflowed the Chulrisca, Chihuaha and Rejon dams.

-30- 831

#90266u0184 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 23) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	87	65	.572	-	45-30	42-35	3-7	L-1
New York	84	67	.556	2 1/2	51-27	33-40	5-5	W-1
Montreal	81	70	.536	5 1/2	43-29	38-41	6-4	L-2
Chicago	72	79	.477	14 1/2	38-41	34-38	6-4	L-1
Philadel.	71	80	.470	15 1/2	37-36	34-44	6-4	W-2

St. Louis	68	84	.447	19	34-44	34-40	4-6	W-1
West								
Cincinnati	86	66	.566	-	42-30	44-36	5-5	W-3
Los Angeles	82	70	.539	4	45-32	37-38	8-2	W-3
San Fran.	77	75	.507	9	42-29	35-45	3-7	L-2
San Diego	71	81	.467	15	37-43	34-38	5-5	L-4
Houston	70	82	.464	16	45-30	25-52	6-4	L-1
Atlanta	61	91	.401	25	36-43	25-48	3-7	W-1

-30- 970

#90266u0190 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 23) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

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South African President de Klerk says he is NOT coming to the United States ''hat in hand.'' Before leaving his country for Washington... de Klerk said he is NOT travelling with the ''particular objective'' of getting U-S sanctions lifted. He said ''that will take care of itself'' as South Africa proves it is ready to share power with blacks.

The trail of Westerners leaving Iraq appears to have ended. The last plane expected to carry Westerners out of Baghdad landed in London Saturday. Some 50 Americans were among those on board. In another development... two more French cargo ships prepared to leave a Mediterranean port with troops and military equipment to join the mulitnational force in the Persian Gulf.

Analysts say the upward drive in oil prices caused by the Persian Gulf confrontation has undermined the already weak economies of southern Africa. Worse yet... the crisis threatens to further depress poverty- stricken nations in east and central Africa. Ironically... many African countries are so poor and consume so little petroleum that they are largely immune to the direct effects of the price hikes.

Officials have charged a suspect with murder in the slayings of two hikers on the Appalachian Trail. Authorities say the man was arrested Friday in Harpers Ferry, West Virginia. He is believed to have been wearing the boots and backpack of one of his victims. The group which oversees the Appalachian Trail had urged hikers to bypass the section of the trail in Pennsylvania.

The final day of summer saw record high temperatures in the 90s through the South and Pacific Northwest. Record highs were set in 14 cities in Florida, South Carolina, Louisiana, Oregon and Washington state. A high of 92 in Seattle marked only the 10th time in the last 45 years that the temperature has reached 90 degrees in September.

-30- 2119
#90266u0199 09/23/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 23) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

ST LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Gilkey lf	3	2	1	0	Backman 3b	3	0	2	0
Lankford cf	0	0	0	0	King 3b	1	0	0	0
Smith ss	4	0	1	0	Bell ss	2	1	0	0
Jose rf	3	0	2	1	VanSlyke cf	5	0	0	0
Guerrero 1b	3	0	0	0	Bonilla rf	3	0	0	0
Collins 1b	0	0	0	0	Bonds lf	3	1	1	1
Zeile 3b	3	0	0	1	Bream 1b	2	0	0	1
Hudler cf	4	0	1	0	Martinez ph	0	0	0	0
Dayley p	0	0	0	0	Merced ph	0	0	0	0
Smith p	0	0	0	0	Redus 1b	0	0	0	0
Pagnozzi c	4	0	1	0	Lavalliere c	4	0	1	0
Oquendo 2b	4	0	0	0	Lind 2b	4	0	2	0
Hill p	2	0	0	0	Tomlin p	2	0	0	0
Thompson cf	2	1	1	0	Belinda p	0	0	0	0
					Landrum p	0	0	0	0
					Reynolds ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	32	3	7	2	Totals	30	2	6	2

St Louis	000	001	020-	3
Pittsburgh	100	001	000-	2

LOB-St Louis 6, Pittsburgh 10. 2B- Thompson. HR-Bonds (33). SB-Redus (11), Lind (8). S-Tomlin, Bell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St Louis						
Hill (W 5-4)	7	5	2	2	5	7
Dayley	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Smith (S 27)	1 1-3	1	0	0	2	0
Pittsburgh						
Tomlin (L 3-4)	7 1-3	7	3	3	1	3
Belinda	1-3	0	0	0	3	0
Landrum	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0

WP-Hill, Belinda.

Umpires-Home, Crawford; 1b, Harvey; 2b, Demuth; 3b, Gregg.

T-3:09. A-22,895.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Johnson ss	4	2	1	0	Walton cf	5	1	3	0
Herr 2b	3	0	0	0	Sandberg 2b	5	0	1	1
Magadan 1b	3	1	1	3	Grace 1b	4	0	0	1
Strawberry rf	5	2	1	2	Dawson rf	3	2	2	1
Jefferies 3b	3	3	2	0	May lf	4	0	1	1
Tabler lf	3	0	1	0	Salazar 3b	3	0	0	0
McReynlds lf	1	0	1	1	Williams p	0	0	0	0
Boston cf	4	2	3	4	Smith ph	1	0	0	0
Sasser c	4	1	2	0	Long p	0	0	0	0
Whitehurst p	1	0	0	0	Dunston ss	4	2	2	0
Darling p	2	0	0	0	Berryhill c	4	0	0	0
Obrien c	2	0	0	0	Nunez p	1	0	0	0
					Pavlas p	0	0	0	0
					Varsho ph	1	0	0	0
					Coffman p	0	0	0	0
					Ramos 3b	2	0	2	1
Totals	35	11	12	10	Totals	37	5	11	5

New York	020	060	111-11
Chicago	200	001	101- 5

E-Darling. DP-Chicago 1. LOB-New York 7, Chicago 7. 2B-McReynolds, Dunston. HR-Boston (10), Strawberry (36), Dawson (25). SB-Dawson (16), May (1), Johnson 2 (31). S-Darling. SF-Magadan.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Darling (W 6-9)	6 1-3	7	4	3	2	2
Whitehurst	2 2-3	4	1	1	0	3
Chicago						
Nunez (L 3-7)	4 2-3	7	8	8	3	2
Pavlas	1-3	2	0	0	0	0
Coffman	1 2-3	0	1	1	3	1
Williams	1 1-3	1	1	1	2	2
Long	1	2	1	1	0	0

PB-Berryhill.

Umpires-Home, Tata; 1b, Quick; 2b, Bonin; 3b, Rennert.

T-3:05. A-31,066.

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi

Yelding ss	4	0	1	0	McDowell lf	3	1	1	0
Candaele 2b	4	1	2	0	Treadway 2b	2	1	1	0
Biggio c	4	0	0	0	Gant cf	4	1	2	2
Davis 1b	3	0	0	0	Justice rf	2	0	0	0
Caminiti 3b	4	0	0	0	Gregg 1b	3	0	1	1
Anthony rf	4	0	1	0	Bell 1b	0	0	0	0
Davidson lf	4	0	2	0	Presley 3b	2	0	0	0
Young cf	2	0	0	0	Lemke 3b	2	0	0	0
Ramirez ss	2	0	0	0	Blauser ss	4	0	0	0
Darwin p	2	0	0	0	Kremers c	4	0	0	0
Nichols ph	0	0	0	0	Leibrandt p	3	0	0	0
Osuna p	0	0	0	0					
Clancy p	0	0	0	0					
Simms ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	34	1	6	0	Totals	29	3	5	3

Houston	001	000	000-	1
Atlanta	102	000	00x-	3

E-Presley, Blauser, Ramirez. DP-Atlanta 1. LOB-Houston 8, Atlanta 9. 2B-Treadway, Gant, Candaele. SB-O McDowell (13), Gant (30). S-Treadway.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Darwin (L 11-4)	6	5	3	3	2	4
Osuna	1	0	0	0	2	0
Clancy	1	0	0	0	0	2
Atlanta						
Leibrandt (W 9-10)	9	6	1	0	1	5

Osuna pitched to 2 Batters in the 8th.

WP-Osuna. HBP-Davis by Leibrandt, McDowell by Osuna, Treadway by Osuna.

Umpires-Home, Davidson; 1b, C Williams; 2b, McSherry; 3b, Montague.

T-2:38. A-13,635.

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Raines lf	4	0	1	0	Dykstra cf	3	1	1	1
Martinez cf	4	0	1	0	Daulton c	3	0	0	0
Deshields 2b	4	1	2	0	Hayes lf	3	0	1	1
Wallach 3b	4	0	1	0	Murphy rf	3	0	0	0
Walker rf	3	0	1	0	Kruk 1b	4	0	3	0
Galarraga 1b	4	0	0	0	Thon ss	4	0	1	0
Santovenia c	3	0	0	0	Hollins 3b	4	0	0	0

Fitzgerald ph	1	0	0	0	CHayes 3b	0	0	0	0
Mercado c	0	0	0	0	Morandini 2b	3	1	1	1
Owen ss	2	1	0	0	Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0
Anderson p	0	0	0	0	Carman p	0	0	0	0
Goff ph	1	0	1	1	Boever p	0	0	0	0
Rojas p	0	0	0	0	Meadows ph	1	0	0	0
Nixon ph	1	0	0	0	McDowell p	0	0	0	0
Ruskin p	0	0	0	0	Greene p	2	1	1	0
Burke p	0	0	0	0	Ready 2b	1	0	0	0
Aldrete ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	32	2	7	1	Totals	31	3	8	3

Montreal	000	011	000- 2
Philadelphia	002	100	00x- 3

E-Thon, Wallach. DP-Montreal 1. LOB-Montreal 8, Philadelphia 8. 2B-Greene, Kruk, Walker, Goff. HR-Morandini (1). SB-Dykstra 2 (33), Thon (10). S-Anderson. SF-Hayes.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Anderson (L 0-1)	4	5	3	3	2	4
Rojas	2	1	0	0	1	0
Ruskin	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Burke	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Philadelphia						
Greene (W 2-2)	6	4	2	1	3	5
Akerfelds	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	1
Carman	0	0	0	0	1	0
Boever	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
McDowell (S 20)	1	1	0	0	0	0

Carman pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.

WP-Greene.

Umpires-Home, Hohn; 1b, Marsh; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, West.

T-3:06. A-17,215.

First Game

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Hatcher cf	4	3	3	0	Roberts 3b	5	0	0	0
Duncan 2b	4	1	3	1	Alomar 2b	5	1	1	0
Larkin ss	5	0	2	3	Carter cf	5	1	1	0
Davis lf	3	1	1	0	Lynn rf	4	1	1	2

Sabo 3b	5	1	1	0	Pagliarulo 3b	2	1	1	0
Braggs rf	3	0	2	1	Santiago c	1	0	0	0
Oneill rf	1	0	0	0	Templeton ss	3	0	1	2
Morris 1b	3	0	0	0	Parent c	3	0	1	0
Dibble p	0	0	0	0	Faries pr	0	0	0	0
Oester ph	1	0	1	0	Show p	0	0	0	0
Bates pr	0	0	0	0	Stephensn 1b	3	0	2	0
Myers p	0	0	0	0	Clark 1b	0	0	0	0
Oliver c	4	0	0	0	Hurst p	2	0	0	0
Scudder p	1	0	0	0	Harris p	0	0	0	0
Trevino ph	1	0	0	0	Jackson cf	1	0	0	0
Layana p	0	0	0	0					
Benzinger 1b	2	0	0	0					
Totals	37	6	13	5	Totals	34	4	8	4

Cincinnati	100	002	201- 6
San Diego	202	000	000- 4

E-Carter 2. DP-San Diego 2. LOB- Cincinnati 8, San Diego 8. 2B-Duncan 2, Stephenson, Braggs, Pagliarulo, Parent. 3B-Templeton. HR-Lynn (6). SB-Carter (21), Hatcher (28), Larkin (28). S-Hurst, Duncan.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Scudder	3	5	4	4	2	3
Layana	2	2	0	0	1	2
Dibble (W 8-3)	2	0	0	0	0	3
Myers (S 30)	2	1	0	0	1	2
San Diego						
Hurst	6 1-3	8	4	4	2	5
Harris (L 8-8)	1 2-3	3	1	0	0	1
Show	1	2	1	1	1	0

Balk-Harris.

Umpires-Home, Pulli; 1b, Rippley; 2b, Darling; 3b, Froemming.

T-2:45.

Second Game

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
BHatcher cf	4	1	0	0	Roberts 3b	5	1	1	0
Duncan 2b	4	2	2	2	Santiago c	4	1	2	0
Larkin ss	5	1	1	0	Alomar 2b	5	0	1	0
EDavis lf	4	2	2	3	JaClark 1b	5	1	3	1
Sabo 3b	4	1	2	0	JCarter lf	5	1	2	1

Braggs rf	5	1	3	2	Templeton ss	3	0	0	1
HMorris 1b	4	0	0	0	Faries ss	0	0	0	0
Oliver c	3	0	1	0	JeClark rf	4	1	1	2
Bates pr	0	1	0	0	DarJacksn cf	4	0	1	0
Lee ph	1	0	1	2	Hammaker p	2	0	1	0
JReed c	1	0	0	0	Stephensn ph	1	0	0	0
Browning p	1	0	0	0	Show p	0	0	0	0
Trevino ph	1	0	0	0	RiRodriguz p	0	0	0	0
Mahler p	1	0	0	0	Pagliarulo ph	1	0	0	0
Lefferts p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	38	9	12	9	Totals	39	5	12	5

Cincinnati	000	003	600- 9
San Diego	100	100	021- 5

E-Duncan. LOB-Cincinnati 8, San Diego 8. 2B-Duncan, Lee, Santiago. HR-Je Clark (2), JaClark (24). SB-JCarter (21), B Hatcher (27), Bates (1), E Davis 2 (18). S- Mahler. SF-Templeton.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Browning (W 14-9)	5	8	2	2	0	4
Mahler (S 4)	4	4	3	3	0	1
San Diego						
Hammaker (L 4-9)	6	6	3	3	1	4
Show	2-3	4	6	6	2	0
RiRodriguez	1 1-3	1	0	0	2	1
Lefferts	1	1	0	0	0	1

WP-Hammaker.

Umpires-Home, Rippley; 1b, Darling; 2b, Froemming; 3b, Pulli.

T-2:41. A-27,524.

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	4	0	1	0	Harris 3b	3	0	0	0
Litton 2b	4	0	2	0	Gibson cf	3	1	2	1
Clark 1b	3	0	0	1	Daniels lf	3	1	1	0
Mitchell lf	4	0	0	0	Javier lf	0	0	0	0
Williams 3b	4	2	2	1	Murray 1b	2	1	0	0
Bass rf	4	0	1	0	Brooks rf	3	0	0	1
Decker c	4	0	1	1	Scioscia c	3	1	0	0
Uribe ss	2	0	0	0	Samuel 2b	4	1	3	3
Riles ss	2	0	0	0	Howell p	0	0	0	0
LaCoss p	2	0	0	0	Griffin ss	4	0	1	1

Oliveras p	0	0	0	0	Cook p	3	1	1	0
Kingery ph	1	1	1	0	Crews p	0	0	0	0
Wilson p	0	0	0	0	Sharpersn 3b	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	3	8	3	Totals	28	6	8	6

San Francisco	000	000	111-	3
Los Angeles	000	005	01x-	6

DP-San Francisco 2. LOB-San Francisco 5, Los Angeles 5. 2B-Gibson, Williams. HR- Williams (31), Samuel (12). SB-Gibson 2 (25). S-Harris. SF-Clark.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
LaCoss (L 6-4)	5 2-3	6	5	5	5	1
Oliveras	1 1-3	1	0	0	1	1
Wilson	1	1	1	1	0	1
Los Angeles						
Cook (W 9-3)	6 1-3	5	1	1	0	4
Crews	1 2-3	2	1	1	0	0
Howell	1	1	1	1	0	1

Umpires-Home, Winters; 1b, Davis; 2b, Layne; 3b, Runge.

T-2:44. A-45,755.

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#90266u0211 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (SEPT. 23) UPI - Pakistani President Ghulam Ishaq Khan dismissed Sunday the possibility of war with India over Kashmir, and denied reports that Pakistan was inciting religious unrest in western China.

Khan said recent border clashes between India and Pakistan over the long-disputed Kashmir region were ''no cause for concern'' and would not trigger an all-out war. The latest clashes were reported Friday.

''War is an anathema in today's context. We never discussed any possibility of going to war with India,'' Khan told reporters on the last day of an official four-day visit to Beijing.

Khan, who was guest of honor at Saturday's opening ceremony for the 11th Asian Games, met during his visit with Chinese President Yang Shangkun, Premier Li Peng and Communist Party head Jiang Zemin.

New Delhi and Islamabad have locked horns over the divided northern Kashmir region. Both India and Pakistan lay claim to parts of the region and have gone to war three times over the issue.

Pakistan supports the recent nationalistic uprising in Kashmir and has demanded that India withdraw troops deployed along the two nations' disputed border.

Khan emphatically denied that Pakistani nationals had contributed to a surge of unrest among the minority Moslem population of China's remote western Xinjiang region.

The vast Xinjiang area borders Kashmir, Afghanistan and Central Asia and has been the scene of violent clashes between ethnic Moslems and the dominant Han Chinese, the most recent last April.

Chinese authorities recently arrested two Pakistanis in Xinjiang on charges they tried to spread unrest in the region, according to Western press reports.

Khan did not directly address the reports but said he had assured the Chinese leadership that the Islamic nation of Pakistan was not involved in the Xinjiang disturbances.

China is known to be concerned over a rise of nationalism and Islamic fundamentalism in Central Asia and areas bordering Xinjiang.

''It should not be the perception of anyone that Pakistan is trying to encourage this,'' Khan said. ''If the implication is that Pakistan or anyone outside (China) is involved in this move I think it is totally uncorrect.''

On Iraq's conquest of Kuwait, Khan said China and Pakistan are ''in total accord'' in their condemnation of the Aug. 2 invasion and in demanding an unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from its tiny neighbor.

But Khan declined to discuss any possible differences of opinion between Beijing and Islamabad over the use of military force to back up an international embargo against Iraq.

Pakistan has sent troops to Saudi Arabia to protect Moslem shrines against Iraqi attacks, but China has repeatedly objected to the use of force to resolve the gulf conflict.

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#90266u0213 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 23) UPI - Launch of a powerful Air Force Titan 4 rocket carrying a secret military satellite was canceled early Sunday for unknown reasons with the clandestine countdown on hold at the T- minus five-minute mark, sources said.

Possibly carrying a satellite to monitor activities in the Persian Gulf, the

Titan 4 was thought to have been scheduled for liftoff from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station around 12:48 a.m. EDT, according to government radio traffic monitored by reporters near the launch complex.

But a one-hour ''hold'' in the countdown was extended more than an hour and then a second hold began at 1:55 a.m. with the countdown at the T-minus five-minute mark. Finally, at 3:30 a.m., the flight was called off for the day sources said.

But as usual with such military missions, all details about the flight were classified and Air Force officials would neither confirm nor deny reports about an impending launch and it was not known when another attempt might be made.

The rocket's payload is classified as well, but it may be a $180 million Defense Support Program early warning spacecraft built by TRW of Redondo Beach Calif., capable of detecting rocket launches using a large infrared telescope.

Such a satellite could prove useful in the Persian Gulf crisis, giving the military more warning of any Iraqi missile attacks on U.S. troops or those of its allies.

At the nearby Kennedy Space Center, just a few miles from the Titan's launch pad at the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, engineers worked through the weekend readying the shuttle Discovery for blastoff next month to carry a European-built solar probe into space.

The shuttle's original launch date was Oct. 5, but problems getting the Titan off the pad will delay critical tests, possibly pushing Discovery's launch back a few days to around Oct. 7 or 8.

The goal of the mission, only the fourth shuttle flight this year because of fuel leaks that grounded the shuttles Atlantis and Columbia, is to launch the Ulysses probe on an unprecedented five-year, $750 million voyage over the poles of the sun.

To reach such an orbit, Ulysses, built by the European Space Agency, first must be fired away from the sun to Jupiter, so it can use that planet's titanic gravity for a boost down, out of the plane of the solar system and back toward the sun.

Ulysses is equipped with a single radioisotope thermoelectric generator, or ''RTG,'' to provide electrical power. The RTG works by converting the heat produced by the decay of radioactive plutonium 238 dioxide into electricity.

Anti-nuclear activists staged a demonstration Saturday at the Kennedy Space Center, protesting the Ulysses launch because of the possibility that dangerous radiation could be released in a launch disaster.

A similar effort last year failed to block the launch of the Galileo Jupiter probe, which was equipped with two RTGs.

NASA has long argued that solar power is not feasible for use at Jupiter's great distance from the sun. Further, agency officials claim, the odds of a radiation release are minimal and the potential science return from the Ulysses mission justifies the risk.

But Daniel Hirsch, president of a watchdog group called the Committee to Bridge the Gap, said the agency had misled the public on the possibility of a radiation release and that internal NASA studies show solar power is, in fact, a reasonable alternative for Ulysses' RTG.

''NASA, you are wrong in not designing these missions for solar. I call on you ... to reconsider your reliance on nuclear power, not just for Ulysses but for the next missions that you're intending,'' Hirsch said at a rally attended by about 200 protesters.

''Give the numbers honestly. Behave honorably. Don't cut corners and begin to represent that which this country should represent, where concern for human lives and the world environment are No. 1.''

If Ulysses was equipped with a solar power system, it likely would require the use of a Titan 4, greatly boosting the cost of the mission and delaying it for several years.

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#90266u0217 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon (SEPT. 23) UPI - Unidentified gunmen ambushed and killed four prisoners while they were being transferred to a prison in Christian east Beirut, police said Sunday.

Police said the gunmen showered a police vehicle with automatic rifle bullets late Saturday while moving four prisoners to a jail in the village of Roumieh in the Christian part of the capital controlled by defiant Army General Michel Aoun.

The prisoners were instantly killed, police said. Security sources said the four were arrested on charges of bombing Army positions in Aoun's areas.

The general's 15,000-strong Army and the Lebanese Forces militia of Samir Geagea have been engaged in fierce battles for the control of the Christian enclave since Jan. 31.

The militia-run ''Voice of Free Lebanon'' radio station accused Aoun's intelligence service of ''planning the attack.''

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#90266u0218 09/23/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 23) UPI - Now is not the time for the Toronto Blue Jays to be playing flat against such spoilers as the Cleveland Indians.

Candy Maldonado and Chris James each slugged home runs and Sandy Alomar Jr. doubled in two runs Saturday to lead Cleveland to a 5-2 victory and its second straight win over the Toronto Blue Jays.

For the second day in a row, Toronto's lack of offense hurt them as they failed to gain ground on the Boston Red Sox. Coupled with Boston's loss to New York, both teams remained in a flat-footed tie for first in the American League East.

''Sometimes the worst thing for you at this particular time is to have a day off, it slows you down,'' Kelly Gruber said.

Toronto had a six-game winning streak before their day off on Thursday. Now they have a two-game losing streak to a team that hasn't seen post-season play since 1954 yet is playing like a playoff caliber team.

Cleveland has won six straight and 12 of its past 16 games and could decide who finishes in first.

After finishing up the three-game set on Sunday, the Indians head to Fenway Park for a pair of games with the Red Sox.

Unlike Toronto, Cleveland, which is 9 1-2 games out of first, is already out of the race and does not have the burden of looking over its shoulders.

''There's no pressure on us. We played relaxed,'' said Ken Shaw, who boosted his record to 3-4 in his first major-league appearance since Aug. 18.

''Today I gave up 12 hits (over 6 2-3 innings). You'd expect them to get more runs, but the defense really came through.''

The Cleveland defense backed Shaw up with three double plays and Toronto stranded nine runners. Doug Jones pitched the ninth for his 40th save.

Todd Stottlemyre, 13-16 took the loss. After allowing home runs by Maldonado and James, Stottlemyre was taken out in the sixth inning with Toronto trailing 5-1. The sellout crowd of 49,883 - the 59th consecutive full house at the SkyDome - booed the right-hander.

''If I'd been up there (in the stands) I'd have been booing, too,'' Stottlemyre said. ''Today I didn't make quality pitches, big pitches when I

needed them. I was booing me, too.''

Meanwhile, Boston got some bad news when it was announced ace Roger Clemens would not pitch Sunday. Clemens, who has been sidelined for three weeks with tendinitis in his right shoulder, was scheduled to make his return against the Yankees. But Boston Manager Joe Morgan said Clemens was still suffering pain in the shoulder and would be scratched.

''This is tough enough now with us not hitting,'' Boston Manager Joe Morgan said. ''But it is the right decision.''

--- AROUND THE AL ---

In other American League action, Kansas City clipped California 4-3, Oakland caged Detroit 6-1, New York downed Boston 5-2, Baltimore edged Milwaukee 3-2, Minnesota blanked Texas 2-0 and Chicago pounded Seattle 14-5.

Royals 4, Angels 3

At Kansas City, George Brett's two-out home run carried Kansas City past California. Brett, went 4-for-4, to raise his American League- leading average from .327 to .332. Mark Davis, 2-7, pitched 1 1-3 innings of relief for the win. Jeff Montgomery pitched one inning for his 21st save. Jim Abbott, 10-14, took the loss.

Athletics 5, Tigers 1

At Oakland, Terry Steinbach drove in two runs to back Scott Sanderson's career-high 17th victory. Sanderson, 17-10, allowed three hits over 6 2-3 innings for the victory. Rick Honeycutt finished to earn his seventh save. Steve Searcy, fell to 2-6.

Yankees 5, Red Sox 2

At New York, Steve Sax' two-run triple snapped an eighth inning tie to lift New York past a slumping Boston. The Red Sox have lost 9 of their last 12. Eric Plunk, 6-3, earned the victory. Dave Righetti pitched the ninth for his 33rd save. Jeff Gray, 2-4, took the loss.

Orioles 3, Brewers 2

At Baltimore, Mike Devereaux smacked a three-run home run to power Baltimore. Devereaux, lined his ninth home run off the left field foul pole in the fourth inning to give Dave Johnson, 12-8, his first win since Aug. 2. Kevin Brown, 0-1, got the loss. Kevin Hickey worked the ninth for his first save.

Twins 2, Rangers 0

At Minneapolis, Three Minnesota pitchers combined to hurl a three-hit shutout to lead Minnesota. Allan Anderson went five innings, allowing only two hits. Larry Casian, 1-1, yielded one hit over two innings and Richard Garces hurled two hittless innings for his first major league save. Scott Chiamparino fell to 0-2.

White Sox 14, Mariners 5

At Seattle, Carlton Fisk drove in four runs and Ozzie Guillen three to pace Chicago. Steve Rosenberg, 1-0, allowed two hits, no runs and striking out one. Don Pall pitched three innings for his second save. Brent Knackert, 1-1, went 1 2-3 innings.

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#90266u0219 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 23) UPI - Adrenalin proved a friend to the Mets and a foe to the Pirates.

New York broke out of a five-game slump with a six-run fifth inning Saturday night to post an 11-5 trouncing of the Chicago Cubs.

But energy, which lifted the Mets, wreaked havoc for Pittsburgh pitcher Stan Belinda, who wild-pitched one run home and walked in another in the eighth inning to give the St. Louis Cardinals a 3-2 victory.

''The ball was running and the adrenalin was flowing,'' said Belinda. ''I didn't want to back off. I was giving them my best pitches. I just couldn't find the strike zone.''

New York gained a game in the NL East race and trail first-place Pittsburgh by 2 1-2 games.

In Chicago, the big fifth inning made a winner of Ron Darling, 6-9, who lasted 6 1-3 innings. Jose Nunez, 3-7, was tagged for eight runs in 4 2-3 innings.

''We were playing so poorly, we should pick up some confidence just scoring some runs today,'' Darling said.

The Mets tied the score 2-2 in the second on Darryl Boston's two-run homer, his 10th of the year. Darryl Strawberry contributed a two-run homer in the fifth inning effort, his 36th of the season. His 106 RBI set a career and team record surpassing the 105 achieved by Gary Carter in 1986 and Rusty Staub in 1975.

''We needed to put something together,'' Boston said. ''We haven't been swinging the bat very well, and we haven't been scoring many runs. Hopefully, this will get us some life back. This road trip is important. We can't afford

to lose any more ground.''

The only bright note for Chicago was provided by Andre Dawson, who with a stolen base joined Hall of Famer Willie Mays as the only major leaguers to have at least 2,000 career hits, 300 homers and 300 stolen bases.

Belinda made references to former Yankee great Goose Gossage and Orioles reliever Gregg Olson in explaining his lack of control that blew a 2-1 Pirate lead.

''I'm not a location guy,'' Belinda said. ''It's like Goose Gossage, you just rear back and throw. But sometimes you just can't get it over the plate. If you look around both leagues, all the good young relievers struggle. We're not all Gregg Olsons. He just has the tremendous ability to throw two pitches consistently.''

--- AROUND THE NL ---

In other NL games, Philadelphia edged Montreal 3-2, Atlanta cut down Houston 3-1, Cincinnati stopped San Diego 4 in the first game of a double-header and overpowered the Padres 9-5 in the second, and Los Angeles dropped San Francisco 6-3.

Phillies 3, Expos 2

At Philadelphia, Lenny Dykstra scored one run and knocked in another to lead the Phillies, the first time since Aug. 24 the Expos dropped two games in a row and left Montreal 5 1-2 games behind first-place Pittsburgh in the East. Tommy Greene, 2-2, gave up four hits and one earned run in six innings. Roger McDowell pitched the ninth for his 20th save. Scott Anderson, 0-1, took the loss.

Braves 3, Astros 1

At Atlanta, Ron Gant drove in two runs and Charlie Leibrandt pitched a six-hitter to lift the Braves. Leibrandt, 9-10, struck out five and walked one in earning his fifth complete game. Danny Darwin fell to 11-4.

Reds 6, Padres 4, 1st game
Reds 9, Padres 5, 2nd game

At San Diego, Eric Davis drove in three runs and Cincinnati sent 11 men to the plate in a six-run seventh inning that lifted the Reds in the second game. Tom Browning, 14-9, went five innings and Rick Mahler picked up his fourth save. Atlee Hammaker, 4-9, took the loss. In the first game, Barry Larkin drove in three runs, including the go-ahead run in the seventh to carry Cincinnati. Rob Dibble, 8-3, pitched two hitless innings and Randy Myers pitched the final two innings for his 30th save. Harris, 8-8, took the loss.

Dodgers 6, Giants 3

At Los Angeles, Kirk Gibson doubled home the first run and Juan Samuel singled in two more to fuel a five-run Dodgers outburst in the sixth inning. Dennis Cook, 9-3, gave up just one run, Matt Williams' 31st homer. Mike LaCoss, 6-4, who had the Dodgers shut out on three singles for the first five innings, took the loss.

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#90266u0222 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

HARRISBURG, PA (SEPT. 23) UPI - A suspect in the double murder on the Appalachian Trail has been arrested in West Virginia, officials said Saturday.

A man identified as David Casey Horn, 38, of Loris, S.C., was arrested Friday in Harpers Ferry, W.Va., although his identity could not be immediately confirmed, Pennsylvania state police said.

The man matched the description of a suspect wanted by Pennsylvania authorities in the murders of Geoffrey Hood, 26, of Signal Mountain, Tenn., and Molly LaRue, also 26, of Shaker Heights, Ohio, officials said.

Horn was spotted by a hiker, who notified police, officials said. Horn is believed to be wearing the boots and back pack of one of his victims.

Hood died of multiple shot gun wounds and LaRue was stabbed to death. The couple, who worked as social workers, planned to get married.

The suspect is being held in county jail in Charlestown, W.Va., on charges of murder. Extradition proceedings could begin Monday.

The bodies of Hood and LaRue were found on Sept. 13 in a trailside shelter. The deaths prompted officials to issue warnings on the 230-mile length of the Appalachian Trail in Pennsylvania.

In addition, the Appalachian Trail Conference, which oversees the 2, 140-mile trail which stretches from Maine to Georgia, urged hikers to bypass the entire section of the trail in Pennsylvania.

Police Thursday released a composite drawing of a rough-looking man believed to be in his 20s who was considered a suspect in the crime.

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#90266u0223 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

HONG KONG (SEPT. 23) UPI - Mandatory repatriaton of Vietnamese boat people who fail to qualify as genuine refugees is expected to begin before the end of

1990, the Hong Kong governor, Sir David Wilson, said Sunday.

The governor's comments followed the announcement Saturday of agreement between Britain, Hong Kong, Vietnam and the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees for the return of boat people found to be economic migrants rather than genuine refugees.

About 55,000 Vietnamese currently are held in crowded camps in Hong Kong. The great majority have been found to be economic migrants without genuine fear of persecution of arrest in Vietnam and are not eligible for resettlement overseas.

''The objective is to return to Vietnam all those who are found not to be refugees,'' Wilson told reporters. ''It must be the objective. You cannot have people who are non-refugees spending year after year in camps. That is simply not right.''

Asked about the timing for involuntary repatriation of boat people, Wilson said no date had been fixed but officials hope to start as soon as possible.

''I certainly hope it wil go ahead before the end of the year,'' he said. ''We do need to get on with this whole business as quickly as we possibly can.''

Britain and Hong Kong were subject to widespread international criticism when 51 Vietnamese categorized as non-refugees were forcibly sent home in December 1989. The exercise has not been repeated and authorities have purposefuly avoided using the term ''forced repatration.''

More than 3,000 Vietnamese have returned to their homeland Hong Kong on voluntary repatriation flights supervised by the UNHCR in the past 18 months.

''The UNHCR are very closely involved in this process ... '' Wilson said, ''moving from straightforward voluntary repatriation to arrangments for returning to Vietnam people who haven't actively volunteered.''

Agreement on involuntary repatriation followed two days of talks in Hanoi in which Vietnam agreed to accept back boat people ''who, while not volunteering to return, are nevertheless not opposed to going back,'' a joint statement said.

''The important point in this is that it is moving forward the whole process of returning people who are not refugees. That is the key point, '' Wilson said.

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#90266u0224 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 23) UPI - Saudi Arabia said Sunday it expelled dozens of Jordanian,

Iraqi and Yemeni diplomats because they were engaging in unspecified activities that undermined the kingdom's security.

Saudi authorities issued a statement saying the 70 diplomats and embassy employees ordered from the kingdom Saturday had violated the ''code of conduct and rules of diplomatic service,'' but did not elaborate.

In Tehran, Iranian President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani said at a banquet for Syrian President Hafez Assad that Iran is steadfast in its opposition to the U.S.-led multinational military force in the Gulf, calling the deployment to counter Iraqi aggression an ''arrogant scheme, '' according to a report Sunday by the Iranian news agency IRNA.

Diplomats said the expulsions Saturday were part of an increasingly assertive Saudi policy against Iraq and its supporters and underscored the deep rift the Gulf crisis has caused in the Arab world.

Relations between the kingdom and Jordan and Yemen have been strained because the two countries have not condemned Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, although both have called for the withdrawal of Iraqi troops.

The expulsion of the diplomats came two days after Saudi Arabia cut off the 35,000 barrel a day flow of Saudi oil to Jordan.

''The Saudi decision is an attempt to pressure King Hussein to adopt a clear stand, either with Iraq or against,'' a well-connected Arab diplomat said.

Hussein said he had not heard anything about the expulsions, adding, ''I doubt whether we have 20 diplomats in Saudi Arabia in the first place.''

Sources in Saudi Arabia predicted Riyadh would increase its pressure tactics and was likely to cut off all aid to Jordan and Yemen, which have received considerable financing from the oil-rich nation.

The official Iraqi News Agency, INA, said Iraq's foreign ministry announced Saturday it was going to shut down the military attache offices of France, Germany, Spain, the United States, the Netherlands, Greece, Britain and Italy along with the Arab nations of Saudi Arabia and Egypt.

It said Iraq would also ''limit the movement'' of diplomats within the limits of the city of Baghdad or within no more than 19 miles from the city center.

All of the nations involved in the order have supported the U.S.-led military force deployed in the Gulf, and several of the European countries have expelled Iraqi military attaches.

Syrian president Assad arrived in Tehran Saturday in what diplomats said was an effort to convince Iran to align itself behind Western efforts in the Gulf

against Iraq, its former enemy in the bitter 1980-88 Gulf war.

Tehran and Damascus have had close ties, but the Gulf crisis has created numerous shifts in alliances, and Iran indicated Saturday it may not be ready to side with its longtime friend against its longtime foe.

IRNA, said in a dispatch monitored in Cairo that the ''hostility between Iran and Iraq (was) the main reason for the alliance between Tehran and Damascus.

''However, under the status quo and in light of the future prospects in the region, Iran would take a more independent attitude toward its old ally.''

Iran has condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, but has been more critical of the U.S.-led multinational military force deployed to the gulf to counter further Iraqi aggression. Syria not only supports the force, but has sent crack soldiers to serve in it.

Regional diplomats said they are concerned about reports Iraq has offered Iran oil in return for shipments of medicine and food, counter to the U.N.-imposed embargo against Iraq. Tehran has indicated it may ship the medicine and food to Iraq, but not in return for oil.

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#90266u0225 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA (SEPT. 23) UPI - Bombs exploded Sunday in two luxurious hotels in the capital's financial district, wounding eight people, as police braced for a strike by mutinous soldiers expected to take advantage of unrest prompted by increases in petroleum prices.

The blasts took place in rooms at the Hotel Nikko Manila Garden and the Mandarin Oriental Hotel, police Col. Remy Macaspac said. Both rooms were registered to Manuel Castillo, apparently an assumed name, he said.

Castillo first checked in at the Hotel Nikko Manila Garden and a blast went off later at 2:55 p.m. at his assigned room, 947, causing considerable damage.

Hotel spokeswoman Nora Saba said the bomb apparently was planted in the bathtub. She said shards of window glass fell on the swimming pool area below, causing minor injuries to eight people, including four children.

Macaspac said an hour later another blast rocked Room 402 in the Mandarin Oriental Hotel, also registered moments earlier under Castillo's name. No injuries were reported but the room was wrecked, hotel spokeswoman Jessica Santos said.

Macaspac said the bombs were C-4 high explosives of the type used by the military and were the 24th and 25th bombings in the capital since Aug. 13.

The previous incidents wounded nine people and were blamed on rebel soldiers who have tried six times to oust President Corazon Aquino.

''This is a cowardly act meant to destabilize the government,'' said Tourism Secretary Peter Garrucho, who inspected the two hotels following the bombings. ''The idea is to try to frighten particularly some of our foreign guests,'' Garrucho said.

The bombings took place on the eve of a planned general strike in the capital called by leftist trade unions and transport drivers to protest a 29 percent increase in the price of petroleum products, generally attributed to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Police and troops were placed on alert. Coup attempts followed protests over petroleum price increases in August 1988 and December 1989.

Earlier Sunday, a security guard chased two men who pitched a Molotov cocktail at a building in the Makati financial district housing the Iranian and Belgian embassies. No one was hurt.

Jejomar Binay, mayor of the financial district, blamed the bombings on rebel soldiers. ''This shows they dont have the capability to overthrow this government so they are resorting to bombings,'' he said.

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#90266u0226 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA (SEPT. 23) UPI - President Corazon Aquino said Sunday she was pleased with the outcome last week's talks on U.S. basing rights and willing to consider the U.S. proposal for phasing down the Subic Bay Naval Base.

In her taped radio talk show, Aquino said she was told the United States was keeping an ''open mind'' to the Philippine call for the immediate turnover of Clark Air Base and four smaller facilities when the leases expire Sept. 16, 1991.

She said during the second round of talks that closed Friday, the Philippine panel served notice Manila would take over Clark, the recreation facility at Camp John Hay, Wallace Air Station, Camp O'Donnel and San Miguel Naval Communication Station.

Aquino said the five facilities ''should revert to the Philippines by Sept. 17 1991, as mandated by the constitution.''

The U.S. panel proposed the phasing down of Subic and the commercialization of some aspects of its operations, Aquino said.

''The Philippine government shall consider this proposal carefully and shall make its response at the proper time,'' Aquino said.

The two sides will meet again in a month while technical level talks continue, officials said.

U.S. spokesman Stanley Schrager has said there have been no agreements and that last week's talks were characterized by ''proposals and counter-proposals '' he said.

''I am pleased with the progress that has been made so far at these talks,'' Aquino said. ''And I feel confident that our two countries shall arrive at an understanding that will be mutually acceptable and mutually beneficial.

''I welcome the acknowledgement of the United States, a long time ally and friend, that it supports our aspirations and is willing to work with us to advance them,'' Aquino said.

The United States provides Manila with $481 million in aid annually for use of the facilities where 40,000 troops, military employees and dependents are assigned.

Clark, home of the 13th Air Force, and Subic, a repair and logistics center for the 7th Fleet, are the oldest and largest overseas U.S. bases. Clark is manned by 9,200 troops, Subic has 6,200 servicemen.

Any new arrangement for U.S. use of the facilities requires approval by the Philippine Senate, where anti-bases sentiment is strong. The bases are regarded as a vestige of U.S. colonial rule and an infringement on Philippine sovereignty.

Philippine officials said they would turn the bases into maritime and aviation complexes and industrial parks.

But senators who favor U.S. retention of the bases say the Philippines, which is strapped with a $26 billion foreign debt, does not have the resources to implement alternative plans for the facilities.

Aquino has stressed she wants an ''orderly withdrawal'' of U.S. troops but did not specify a time frame.

Special U.S. negotiator Richard Armitage said the United States was prepared to reduce its presence in the Philippines and hinted this would take 10 years.

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#90266u0230 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 23) UPI - Prime Minister V.P. Singh defended Sunday a job

quota program that has violently divided the country along caste lines, saying he is committed to the ''aspirations of the people'' even if his National Front government collapses because of it.

''We are in office today because we have struggled for certain causes,'' the prime minister told workers of his Janata Dal Party in an emotional address in the southeastern city of Madras.

''We are committed to fulfill certain aspirations of the people with the support of friendly parties. It is our duty to fulfill them and not to stick to the office. Government is not our goal,'' the Press Trust of India quoted Singh as saying.

Singh's remarks came as unrest simmered across northern India in reaction to the government's decision to reserve 27 percent of all federal jobs for the so-called backward classes.

Authorities clamped a two-day curfew Sunday on the city of Kurukshetra in Haryana state just north of New Delhi after a teenager killed himself by eating poison Saturday to protest the quota scheme, triggering violent protests.

The threat of suicide protests by high-caste students has increased dramatically since last week when two university students in New Delhi poured fuel on their bodies and set themselves afire to protest the quota system.

Police in the western state of Rajasthan intervened in a demonstration Saturday night to prevent 25 protesters from setting themselves on fire, and there have been threats of mass self-immolation elsewhere in the country.

High-caste youths oppose the job plan because it will limit their ability to enter government service. They also claim it will enshrine the caste system in law, increase government inefficiency and fail to improve the social condition of the underprivileged.

Proponents say job resevation will give lower-caste citizens, who represent about 54 percent of India's 830 million people, a better chance at government employment, traditionally the domain of the upper castes.

The prime minister has come under sharp attack for deciding to implement the program, with opposition leader and former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi charging Saturday that the move was a ''hasty'' and ''politically motivated'' attempt to broaden his support.

The job reservation program, along with several other political issues, appears to be driving a wedge between Singh and the Hindu- chauvinist Bharatiya Janata Party, which has urged the government to open a dialogue with students on the quota scheme.

Singh's minority National Front administration is able to govern because of parliamentary support from the BJP, which is not a member of the government coalition. Withdrawal of BJP support could cause the government to fall.

Singh defended the job reservation plan Sunday, saying, ''There has been discrimination for ages and that has now been corrected.'' And he told the party workers, ''The government may go, but our struggle cannot stop.''

The prime minister pledged Saturday to open a dialogue with protesting students, telling a news conference in Madras ''we are very concerned ... and visibly hurt'' by the recent suicide and self- immolation attempts.

''If they are apprehensive about it, we will have a dialogue and see what best can be done about it,'' the Hindu newspaper quoted him as saying.

''These young boys are ours,'' he said. ''We should try to mollify their feelings.''

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#90266u0234 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (SEPT. 23) UPI - A young British soldier was killed early Sunday in front of his girlfriend near Lurgan, 25 miles west of Belfast, the Royal Ulster Constabulary said.

The soldier and his teenage girlfriend were sitting in his car at a scenic area when four masked gunmen struck at 1:30 a.m., authorities said.

The solider, a part-time member of the Ulster Defense Regiment, died instantly but the girlfriend was not hurt, authorities said.

The victim's identity was withheld until relatives were notified. He was the seventh member of the UDR to be killed ths year.

Police said the gunmen earlier hijacked a red Renault taxi in Lurgan, 3 miles away, before driving to the spot at Oxford Island, a bird sanctuary on the shore of Lough Neagh.

No organization immediately claimed responsibilty for the killing, although police said it was probably carried out by the Irish Republican Army.

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#90266u0242 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, Greece (SEPT. 23) UPI - Syrian President Hafez Assad ''made it clear'' he wants foreign forces to leave the region after the Persian Gulf crisis ends, the official Islamic Republic News Agency said Sunday.

Assad, who began a three-day visit to Iran Saturday, was speaking at a banquet in Tehran. He earlier held a first round of talks with Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani.

An IRNA dispatch monitored in Athens said Assad ''made it clear that his country would not tolerate the presence of foreign forces in the region after the end of the current crisis'' caused by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Assad, a long-time foe of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, also ''urged Iraq to quit Kuwait,'' IRNA said.

Syria has sent 4,000 troops to Saudi Arabia and reportedly plans to send more as part of an Arab League force.

Tehran radio said Assad agreed with the Iranian view that regional disputes should be resolved within the region.

The Syrian chief, accompanied by a high-ranking delegation, met with Rafsanjani hours after his arrival.

The two heads of state held private discussions before beginning formal talks in the presence of other officials.

Assad's visit coincided with the 10th anniversary of the Iraqi invasion of Iran on Sept. 22, 1980.

Syria was Iran's staunchest ally during the gulf war but diplomats said Damascus is concerned about the growing detente between Tehran and Baghdad following Saddam's capitulation last month to Iran's war-time demands.

Tehran radio said Assad laid a wreath at the tomb of Iranian leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini at Behesht Zahra, some 10 miles south of Tehran. He made a pilgrimage Sunday to the shrine of Imam Reza, a Shiite saint, in Mashad.

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#90266u0248 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

FERRARA, Italy (SEPT. 23) UPI - Pope John Paul II made a fervent appeal Sunday against Mafia violence, two days after the ambush-murder of a Sicilian magistrate by an underworld hit squad.

''Enough innocent bloodshed, enough bloodshed,'' John Paul told a crowd of 10,000 during a two-day visit to Ferrara, northeast Italy. ''Enough mourning and suffering.''

The papal plea came 48 hours after the murder of Magistrate Rosario Livatino, killed in Agrigento, Sicily, by what police believe may have been six gunmen

as he drove to work on a lonely highway.

John Paul said that solving the murder, which has shaken the political world in Rome and brought calls for a serious, well-funded offensive against organized crime, requires ''unifying all of the forces of the nation.''

''I cannot do less than deplore the killing of a magistrate, a grave episode of criminality which unfortunately must be added to many other acts of violence committed recently on the beloved soil of Italy,'' the pope said.

''To all all Italians, I ask for determination and courage to stem the growing menace from the culture of death,'' he said.

''All of the forces in the country unite to proclaim in a loud voice the will to live in serenity and to build a civilization which respects man and his personal dignity,'' he said.

Sicily and southern Italy have been plagued in recent weeks by scores of Mafia killings, most of them the settling of accounts for control of lucrative underworld activities.

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#90266u0249 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 23) UPI - South African President Frederik W. de Klerk arrived Sunday for high level talks, quoting civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. and declaring that South Africa is on ''a great journey toward full democracy.''

De Klerk, the first South African leader to visit the United States since 1945 made the remarks upon arrival at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., at 8:15 a.m. EDT. Demonstrators protesting South Africa's racial policies were expected to turn out during his two-day visit to Washington.

De Klerk, recalling the words of King, said, ''Peace and freedom are the goals of all men. South Africa has embarked on a great journey. It is a journey for full democracy at home and abroad full participation in the family of nations.''

De Klerk smiled as he stepped from a helicopter on the grounds of the Washington Monument and was greeted by Secretary of State James Baker.

Posing briefly for photographers, de Klerk was asked what he was seeking from his visit. ''Friendship,'' he replied.

Asked whether he was seeking solutions to his nation's problems of apartheid and political divisions, he said, ''I'm going to be giving information about the solutions we're making.''

As for whether he would make a bid for a lifting of the U.S. economic sanctions against South Africa to prod that country to end its white minority rule, he replied: ''I'm didn't come here with a shopping list.''

De Klerk and Baker rode together to the nearby Blair House, the presdient's guest house across the street from the White House where the South African leader will reside during his stay in the nation's capital.

He planned to attend church services at the National Presbyterian Church and perhaps go sightseeing, making the rounds of the Washington monuments before going to Vice President Dan Quayle's residence for dinner.

De Klerk planned to meet with Sen. David Boren, D-Okla., chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, before going to the White House.

His meeting Monday with Bush has been billed as an ''official visit'' and includes a White House luncheon in his honor.

During his trip to Capitol Hill, de Klerk has meetings scheduled with Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine and Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas. A meetings is also planned with House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash. De Klerk addresses the National Press Club on Tuesday.

De Klerk is the first South African leader to journey to Washington since Gen. Jan Smuts came to the United States in 1945 for the drafting of the United Nations Charter. By inviting de Klerk for an official visit, Bush gave him a vote of confidence that he will transform the racially divided country into a democratic society.

De Klerk has been in office for a year during which promises have been made toward bringing South Africa's black majority into political participation. But de Klerk's efforts have hit a roadblock with an outbreak of tribal violence and allegations of incitement by the white security forces.

De Klerk was invited to visit Washington in February along with South African Congress leader Nelson Mandela after he released Mandela from his 27 years of imprisonment. Mandela came to Washington in June, but de Klerk put off his journey because of the threat of protests.

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#90266u0254 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 23) UPI - Top U.S. Army and Marine officers have drawn up plans for ground assaults against Iraq from as many as four directions, a complex combat operation designed to split Saddam Hussein's forces, it was reported Sunday.

The Washington Post, citing unidentified military sources, said the plans would require American troops to cross the Jordanian desert and Turkish mountains to reach the Iraqi frontier.

The purpose of the multiple assaults would be to prevent the Iraqi president from massing his entire 140,000-man elite Republican Guard against any U.S. invasion force that might be called to attack Iraqi occupation troops in Kuwait, the Post said.

The contingency plans for the multi-front war against Iraq are among the military options being prepared for President Bush in case the U.N. trade embargo against Iraq fails to force the Iraqis from Kuwait and the administration decides to take military action, the newspaper said.

Among the most sensitive facets of the plan is the requirement that the Bush administration secure attack corridors through Turkey and Jordan, which border Iraq on the north and west, to open fronts against the Iraqi army and dilute the combat strength of its ground forces, the Post said.

Opening these fronts would relieve pressure from any landing by U.S. Marines and armored assaults by the Army and multinational combat troops now defending Saudi Arabia.

A strategy for opening multiple fronts against Saddam is also an attempt to exploit the weaknesses of Iraq's military supply system, the newpaper said.

''Their supply system is not geared to mobile operations or to project power '' a military analyst told the Post.

Attacks from four sides would likely overwhelm such a supply system, the newspaper said.

The Post said it could not be learned whether the administration has broached the question of territorial access to either the Turkish or Jordanian governments.

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Auto Racing

Martinsville, Va. - NASCAR Goody's 500

Elkhart Lake, Wis. - CART Texaco- Halvoline 200

Football

Dallas at Washington, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Houston, 1 p.m.
Kansas City at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Miami at NY Giants, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago, 1 p.m.
New England at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Phoenix at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at San Francisco, 4 p.m.
Philadelphia at LA Rams, 4 p.m.
Pittsburgh at LA Raiders, 4 p.m.
Seattle at Denver, 4 p.m.
Detroit at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.

Baseball

American League
Boston at New York, 1:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Toronto, 1:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at Baltimore, 1:35 p.m.
Texas at Minnesota, 2:15 p.m.
California at Kansas City, 2:35 p.m.
Detroit at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Chicago at Seattle, 4:35 p.m.

National League
St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 1:35 p.m.
Montreal at Philadelphia, 1:35 p.m.
New York at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Houston at Atlanta, 2:10 p.m.
Cincinnati at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.
San Francisco at Los Angeles, 4:05 p.m.

Boxing
Lima, Peru - World Junior Championships

Games
Beijing - Asian Games

Golf
Buena Park, Calif. - $325,000 MBS Classic
Endicott, N.Y. - $700,000 B.C. Open
Richmond, Va. - $350,000 Crestar Senior Classic

Horse Racing
Bossier City, La. - $1 million Super Derby

Tennis

Paris - $100,000 Clarins Women's Open
Vienna - Davis Cup semifinal (Austria vs. United States)

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#90266u0276 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

SRINAGAR, India (SEPT. 23) UPI - Moslem rebels fighting for independence from India have banned cigarette smoking in the northern Kashmir Valley - but not for the usual reasons.

The concern is not of public health, cancer, heart disease or the dangers of second-hand smoke, but of India's cigarette industry and how to harm it economically.

The rebel groups - Al Omar Mujahideen, Allah Tigers and Hizb i-Islami - warned cigarette dealers in notices to newspapers to dispose of their stock before the ban takes effect Oct. 20.

It is not the first time Kashmiri rebels have tried to modify the public and private behavior of residents in the predominantly Moslem valley on behalf of their revolution.

Since their 2-year-old secessionist movement gained widespread popular support in mid-January, the various militant groups have banned a wide array of items.

Alcohol was one of the first to go, banned as un-Islamic. Bars in Srinagar, the summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir state, have closed.

Video movies were banned. Militants were concerned about pornograpic content of foreign films and unhappy about the Kashmiri appetite for films produced by India's huge movie industry. Video rental shops closed but films still circulate on the sly.

Militants banned beauty shops as un-Islamic and the hair-dressers closed down, but they overstretched when they ordered all women to wear veils. Only about 20 percent of the women do so.

The bannings continued Sunday. The Hizb ul-Mujahideen, an Islamic fundamentalist group and one of the main secessionist organizations, orderred residents to stop reading two English-language daily newspapers.

''These two papers have all along been propagating policies against the interests of the Kashmiri freedom fighters,'' the group said in a letter published by the Al Safa newspaper. ''We therefore appeal to the people to stop reading these anti-Kashmiri newspapers.''

The two newspapers, The Kashmir Times and The Excelsior, are published in the southern city of Jammu, a largely Hindu area and the state's winter capital.

The Kashmir Times, the state's largest English-language daily, has supported New Delhi editorially but also has been critical of some government moves in the Kashmir Valley and of human rights abuses by security forces.

The Hizb ul-Mujahideen, in its letter to Al Safa, warned that anyone caught with a copy of The Kashmir Times or The Excelsior would be treated as a traitor and punished according to Islamic law.

The organization also complained about the treatment of rebel activities in the columns of Al Safa and said, ''This is our first and last warning to you. You should always carry our statements and press releases. Otherwise we will deal with you sternly.''

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#90266u0292 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 23) UPI - The U.N. General Assembly's 45th session will open Monday with a lengthy agenda overshadowed by the explosive Persian Gulf crisis as its Security Council debates an air embargo of Iraq to go along with the naval blockade.

Presidents Fernando Collor de Mello of Brazil and Francois Mitterrand of France will address the world body, whose 150-item agenda also ranges from South Africa's apartheid policies to cessation of nuclear explosions and the international debt of developing countries.

The occupation of Kuwait by Iraq will be debated in the General Assembly while the Security Council resolutions are being enforced to compel Iraq to withdraw from the small oil-rich emirate.

The General Assembly is a forum attended by all 160 member states of the United Nations but it does not have the political power of the 15- nation Security Council, which is charged with maintaining peace and security in the world and whose decisions are binding.

Mitterrand will make a special trip to New York to address the assembly on the gulf crisis and plans to return to Paris the same day.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze is to speak Tuesday morning.

France has spoken strongly against the Iraqi Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and has assigned more than 13,000 French troops to the U.S.-led multinational force in the gulf to thwart any Iraqi advance toward oil fields in Saudi Arabia.

Mitterrand has appeared before the General Assembly twice since he gained the presidency in 1981.

Collor and Mitterrand will be followed to the podium by 10 foreign ministers Monday, among them Iranian Ali Akbar Velayati, whose country has called for a holy war against the United States for sending troops to Saudi Arabia.

Some of those officials are expected to present national economic difficulties which have worsened with the loss of export earnings because of the U.N. trade and arms embargo on Iraq.

Brazil exported $342 million worth of goods to Iraq in 1989 and at least six of its ships with goods to Iraq are stranded in the Indian Ocean because of the embargo.

The Security Council plans to adopt an embargo on air traffic against Iraq Tuesday to tighten the sanctions drawn up four days after Iraqi invaded Kuwait in a lightning military operation.

The president of the assembly, Malta's Foreign Minister Guido de Marco, said after his election last week he will give a ''priority of treatment'' for Middle EAst issues.

''The question of Kuwait is bound to be a primary issue for the assembly,'' he said.

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#90266u0338 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (SEPT. 23) UPI - Black leader Nelson Mandela charged Sunday that South Africa Pretoria flexed its military muscle to curb black factional fighting during President Frederik de Klerk's visit to the United States.

The African National Congress leader said forces within the government ''pretend de Klerk has put an end to the violence. That is not true.''

Mandela said the timing of the measures - codenamed ''Iron Fist'' and introduced last weekend - was ''mainly to smooth de Klerk's way'' on his U.S. trip, which began Sunday.

De Klerk said last week police and the army implemented the steps ''to bring an end to the gruesome violence'' that in seven weeks killed up to 750 people in war-torn townships around Johannesburg. After a tense calm returned, he denied ''any other intentions on the government's part.''

De Klerk's U.S. visit was enabled by sweeping racial reforms launched February and he will spend two days in Washington and meet with President Bush Monday. He is the first South African head of state to visit the United States since 1945.

White House sources have indicated De Klerk can expect a sympathetic reception from Bush, who is reportedly convinced the South African is sincere in his expressed aim of ending 42 years of white minority rule and the country's protracted racial conflict.

But Mandela speculated Sunday the fighting between supporters of the exclusively Zulu Inkatha movement and the mixed tribal base of the ANC that flared around Johannesburg Aug. 5 was not over ''despite the apparent calm'' that followed Iron Fist.

Mandela was speaking at the opening of an ANC branch in KwaThema, east of Johannesburg, and repeated the movement's criticism of the crackdown.

''We hope the government will come to its senses to solve the violence not through Iron Fist, but by putting their arms away,'' he said.

The ANC Friday condemned the most controversial of the measures - the 9 p.m. until 4 a.m. curfews starting Tuesday in five of the worst-hit townships. More than 2,000 people marched through the nation's largest black city of Soweto, south of Johannesburg, Saturday to gather support for a campaign to defy curfew rules.

Other steps to quell the savage, tribal-style battles include roadblocks, police patrolling with machineguns and cordoning off the flashpoint Zulu migrant-worker hostels with barbed wire.

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#90266u0352 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (SEPT. 23) UPI - A man whose car had broken down was shot and killed when he refused to pay a drunken man 25 cents for the use of a telephone, authorities said.

Melvin Miller, 24, of Dallas was shot once in the chest late Friday by James Cooks, 61, during a dispute that arose after Miller used Cook's phone to call for assistance, police said.

Cook, who was described by police as extremely intoxicated, was charged in Miller's death and jailed without bail at Lew Sterrett Justice Center.

Homicide detective W.L. Carmack said the two men did not know each other.Miller and a friend, Calvin Thomas, 24, walked to Cook's house when their 1978 Pontiac broke down about 10:30 p.m. Friday.

When they asked to use Cook's phone, he allegedly told them he wanted 25 cents for each call. Carmack said the men made a call, but would not give Cook the money.

Cook then took Miller's car keys and told him he would not give them back until he was paid. Police said that, after Miller and Thomas walked outside, Miller returned to retrieve the keys.

Thomas told police he heard a gunshot a moment later.

Miller was taken to Methodist Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead at 8:36 a.m. Saturday.

One of Cook's neighbors, who asked not to be identified, said Cook had lived in the area for years and had never harmed anyone before. But she said Cook often sat outside his house and sometimes made unfriendly comments to passersby.

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#90266u0374 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 23) UPI - Police and FBI agents searched Sunday for a woman who may have stashed pipe bombs and automatic weapons in an apartment a little more than a mile from the United Nations, where more than 60 heads of state are to gather Saturday.

Reports said the woman spoke with an Irish or English accent, giving rise to suspicions that she may have been linked to an Irish terrorist organization. British Prime Minister Magaret Thatcher is expected to attend the U.N.-sponsored summit on the world's children Saturday and Sunday.

The explosives were discovered Friday in two steamer trunks left by an evicted subtenant, whose name has not been released, in a hallway of a Manhattan apartment house. The street was closed off and nearby apartments evacuated while a bomb squad opened the trunks.

According to police spokeswoman Tina Mohrmann, the squad removed seven pipe bombs, 20 automatic weapons, two shotguns, 17 silencers, three walkie-talkies, three large bags of ammunition, a bulletproof vest, and four electronic devices.

Police Sunday were disposing of the explosives at a Bronx detonation range, said Sgt. Nick Vreeland, another police spokesman.

A tenant in the building, identified by police as Frances Masson, said she had sublet her apartment for several months to an attractive dark-haired woman in her early 20s but had evicted her when she failed to pay the rent.

Masson said that, when she went to the apartment, she found the trunks in the hall with a note saying they would be picked up later.

An FBI spokesman refused comment on the investigation Sunday.

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#90266u0377 09/23/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 23) UPI - Sources at Cape Canaveral say the launch of an Air Force Titan-4 rocket was canceled this morning for UNknown reasons. Because it is a military mission, details of the flight are classified, so it is NOT known when or if another launch attempt will be made. The rocket was believed to have been scheduled for launch this morning with a secret military payload, possibly a satellite to monitor activities in the Persian Gulf.

Police in Lebonon say UNidentified gunmen killed four prisoners being transferred to a jail in Christian east Beirut. Police say the gunmen ambushed the police vehicle as it carried the prisoners to jail in a section of east Beirut controlled by Christian General Michel Aoun . Sources say the four prisoners were arrested on charges of bombing Army positions in Aoun's areas.

At least 25 people died and UNdetermined number of people are missing after three reservoirs overflowed three dams in Chihuahua, 775 miles north of Mexico City. The Mexican news agency Notimex quotes a fire department spokesman as saying ''tens of thousands of houses'' were destroyed when the dams swelled and overflowed after heavy rains. Officials say parts of downtown Chihuahua were under water as a result of the flooding.

Urban commandos in El Salvador have asked top rebel commanders to make U-S personnel and bases a target in the country civil. The rebel statement was issued after the Salvadoran National Police arrested five urban commandos planting a bomb on a light post near the U-S embassy. A spokesman says NO American personnel were involved in the arrests.

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#90266u0381 09/23/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 23) UPI - The National Organization for Women has denounced a Florida judge for refusing to jail a confessed rapist because the judge believes the victim was partly to blame. Florida Governor Bob Martinez has asked the judge to resign. Mark McCulloch was freed from a Sanford jail last week after Judge Kenneth Leffler rejected a plea deal that called for a four and one-half year prison term. Instead, the judge sentenced McCulloch to two years probation.

The president of Pakistan says there is NO cause for concern about border clashes with India over the disputed Kashmir region. Ghulam Khan says Friday's border clashes do NOT increase the possibility of an all- out war between India and Pakistan. Khan's remarks came at the end of a four-day tour of China where he attended the Asian Games opening ceremonies in Beijing.

Summer went out with a bang in the South and Pacific Northwest yesterday with record high temperatures in the 90's. The mercury hit record high levels in 14

cities in Florida, Oregon, Washington state, Louisiana and South Carolina. But a winter-like chill gripped the air over the nation's mid-section while heavy rain caused flooding in the Southwest and California.

These wedding guests should have known something was up when the band played a song called ''I Fought the Law and the Law Won.'' The fat lady did NOT sing, but the police in the hall Friday night identified themselves and announced everyone else was under arrest. It was an elaborate sting operation in Corunna Michigan, that netted 15 suspected drug dealers. Police say the idea was to avoid making individual arrests which might tip off other suspects.

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TYRE, Lebanon (SEPT. 23) UPI - A ranking Shiite cleric Sunday said Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite would be set free very soon as part of Iran's efforts to improve its image in the world.

''The British hostage would be released very soon,'' Allamah Seyyed Ali Al Amin said during a rally that was held in the village of Bedyas near the port city of Tyre, 46 miles south of Beirut.

The gathering was arranged by the pro-Syrian Shiite Amal militia in homage to three senior aides to Amal chief Nabih Berri who were killed two years ago.

Daoud Daoud, Hassan Sbeiteh and Mahmoud Al Fakih were assassinated near Beirut by gunmen believed affiliated with Amal's Shiite rival, the Iranian-backed Hezbollah group.

Al Amin, who has the power to issue religious decrees to members of the country's estimated 1.5 million Shiites, did not specify whether his speculation was based on information or intuition.

There have been a series of reports in the country indicating that Waite or two other British captives, John McCarthy and Jack Mann, could be freed in the near future.

The expected release was seen as a result of conciliatory gestures by Britain to Tehran over author Salman Rushdie's controversial novel ''the Satanic Verses,'' deemed blasphemous by the late Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

Khomeini, Iran's former spiritual leader, ordered the execution of Rushdie Feb. 14, 1989.

Britain has said revoking the threat against Rushdie was a precondition to resume Iranian-British ties, but Tehran has welcomed recent gestures by London reiterating its respect for Islam.

''Mr. Terry Waite was a faithful man who came to Beirut on a humanitarian mission,'' Al Amin said in his speech to the rally's crowd, adding ''the Islamic shariaa (law) prohibits the abduction of a of messenger or a mediator.''

Al Amin confirmed that Iran has been involved in hostage-taking, saying: ''Iran has sought to improve its image in the world after its embroilment in the kidnapping of citizens for political purposes and certain transactions that have become well known in the world.''

The remarks by Al Amin were one of the strongest attacks by Shiite figures against Iran over the Western hostages' plight.

There are more than 100 Lebanese Shiite clerics who have not proclaimed loyalty to Iran since Tehran's intervention in Lebanon in 1982.

Waite, the assistant to the archbishop of Canterbury, disappeared in west Beirut January 1987 while negotiating for the release of some U.S. hostages.

The three British nationals are held hostage along with 10 other foreigners, including six U.S. captives.

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WASINGTON (SEPT. 23) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker, scoffing at ''twenty-twenty hindsight,'' Sunday denounced as ''absolutely ludicrous'' suggestions that U.S. policy contributed to Iraqi aggression against Kuwait by failing to forewarn Saddam Hussein not to cross the border.

Baker responded to the release of a transcript by the Iraqi Embassy to the ABC network on a July 25 meeting in Baghdad between Saddam and U.S. Ambassador April Glaspie that centered on Iraq's military buildup on the Kuwaiti border.

The transcript, published Sunday in The New York Times and not confirmed by Baker, showed Glaspie telling Saddam the United States was concerned by the buildup but was not taking sides in the dispute.

Two days before that meeting, State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler was asked whether the United States had a commitment to defend Kuwait. She said, ''We do not have any defense treaties with Kuwait, and there is no special defense or security commitments to Kuwait.''

Glaspie told Saddam ''we have no opinion on Arab-Arab conflicts and on your border disagreement with Kuwait.''

Appearing Sunday on NBC's ''Meet the Press,'' Baker branded as ''restrospective scapegoating'' and ''twenty-twenty hindsight'' speculative

news stories that Saddam believed the United States would not resist his Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

In the transcript, Saddam also made it clear that he had it in for the United Arab Emirates, charging it and Kuwait with unfairly raising oil prices and pumping more oil than allowed under a cartel agreement.

Baker noted that before the invasion the United States slapped Iraq with foreign policy controls, suspended commodity credits and halted shipments that would contribute to Iraq's nuclear advancement.

''Now we have some twenty-twenty hindsight going on,'' Baker said. But he added that the moves that were made had not been highlighted in the press.

He stressed that the message Glaspie conveyed had to do with ''a border dispute, not aggression'' and explained ''there are border disputes going on all over the world,'' where America takes a hands-off position.

''The suggestion that somehow the United States contributed to Saddam Hussein's aggression is ludicrous, absolutely ludicrous,'' Baker said.

He also denied a statement by an anonymous State Department official that the United States probably could have lived with a ''limited invasion'' in which Iraq seized bits of Kuwaiti territory to achieve concessions. Pressed for a reply, he said: ''You can take it as a denial.''

During the Saddam-Glaspie conversation, the transcript clearly highlights the Iraqi leader's lack of understanding of the U.S. media.

''The media campaign against Saddam was started by the official American media '' the Iraqi president charged. ''We were disturbed by this campaign, but we were not too disturbed because we had hoped that, in a few months, those who are the decision-makers in America would have a chance to find the facts and see whether this media campaign had any effect on the lives of the Iraqis.''

Glaspie was quoted as saying that ''what happened'' in Saddam's interview on ABC's ''Prime Time'' program was ''cheap and unjust.''

Sawyer asked Saddam a question in which he expressed astonishment that American reporters could question the actions and statments of President Bush.

Glaspie told Saddam that he was sujected to interrogation that ''even American politicians themselves'' are faced with: ''These are the methods the Western media employs. I am pleased that you add your voice to the diplomats who stand up to the media. Because your appearance in the media, even for five minutes, would help us make the American people understand Iraq.''

At the July meeting, Hussein appeared to be delivering a message to the United

States that it either did not believe or misinterpreted. ''We do not accept threats from anyone because we do not threaten anyone,'' he said. ''But we say clearly that we hope that the United States will not entertain too many illusions and will seek new friends rather than increase the number of its enemies.''

Saddam also indicated that the United States would not fight a desert war and that the American people would be reluctant to fight over the Persian Gulf.

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - Saudi Arabia ordered dozens of diplomats from Jordan and Yemeni yesterday to leave the Saudi kingdom. Sources say the Riyadh government ordered diplomatic personnel in the Jordanian, Yemani and Iraqi missions cut to three people each. Some diplomats say these developments underscore deteriorating relations among Arab nations in responss to Iraq's August 2nd invasion of Kuwait.

A secret military mission at Cape Canaveral, Florida, never got off the ground today. The launch of an UNmanned Titan-4 rocket was scrubbed. Government radio traffic monitored by reporters shows the countdown was put on hold at the T-minus five-minute mark. The rocket is believed to carry a relay station to monitor Persian Gulf activities. Details of the flight are secret, so the Air Force refuses to confirm or deny reports of an impending launch.

South African President de Klerk says he is NOT going to the White House ''hat in hand'' to ask the United States to abandon sanctions against his government. De Klerk told reporters yesterday he believes the United States will lift sanctions as Pretoria shows it is serious about ending apartheid. He is the first South African leader to be invited to the United States in 42 years of apartheid rule.

Finance ministers from the seven largest industrialized nations met in Washington yesterday, agreeing higher oil prices are NOT pushing economies into recession. The Group of Seven ministers say a tight course must be charted between inflation and an economic slowdown. Japan's Finance Minister says he believes the nations ''can likely absorb the effects of oil price increases'' created by the Persian Gulf crisis.

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - The Nicaraguan government announced the layoffs of 10-thousand soldiers and 15-thousand government workers to reduce the budget deficit. Economic Minister Silvio de Franco says Nicaragua ''is on the edge of collapse like NO other country in the world.'' The Sandinista Workers Central charged the layoffs were ordered by the International Monetary Fund. Former

Nicaragua leader Daniel Ortega says- quoting him- ''We cannot allow ourselves to legitimize measures against workers and peasants.''

Pennsylvania officials say a suspect was arrested in the slayings of a couple found on the Appalachian Trail. Police say David Horn was arrested in Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, dressed in what police believe to be boots and a back-pack of one of the victims. The bodies of Geoffrey Hood of Signal Mountain, Tennessee, and Molly LaRue of Shaker Heights, Ohio, were found 10 days ago at a Pennsylvania trailside shelter.

Connecticut gubernatorial candidate John Rowland says first lady Barbara Bush will be guest of honor at a Republican fundraiser in Southington. Rowland, a Republican congressman says Mrs. Bush will attend a 125 dollar-a-plate luncheon on Tuesday. Rowland is in a three- way race for governor with former Senator Lowell Weicker, running as an independent, and Democratic Congressman Bruce Morrison.

Police in Venice, Italy, say a series of art thefts is marring a two-Million-dollar plan for longer museum hours. The plan tightens security at Venice museums. But hours before it was announced Friday, police say a 15th century portrait was stolen, in the third major art theft in as many months. There's growing suspicion that someone is trying to make a point about lax museum security, because two of the stolen paintings have been returned.

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - Bombs went off today in two luxury hotels in Manila... wounding eight people, four of them children. Officials say bombs exploded at the Nikko Manila Garden and the Mandarin Oriental Hotel. Tomorrow a strike is planned by the Philippines' leftist trade unions to protest a 29 percent jump in the price of petroleum products, generally attributed to the Persian Gulf crisis.

It remains a secret why the powerful Titan-4 rocket never got off the ground with its secret military payload today. Such military flights are hush-hush. The countdown was put on hold, at T-minus five-minutes, for about two hours before the lift-off was canceled. Sources say the rocket may be carrying a relay station to monitor Persian Gulf activities. NO word on whether there will be another lift-off attempt from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station.

A high-caste Hindu poured fuel on his body and set himself ablaze in India's Haryana state yesterday. Authorities called out the military to quell violent protests against a plan to reserve government jobs for lower-caste Hindus. High-caste Hindus oppose the program because it will restrict their entry into central government service.

Officials in Saudi Arabia issued a statement today saying 70 diplomats kicked

out of the country violated ''the code of conduct'' and rules of diplomatic service. The Saudi kingdom yesterday expelled dozens of Jordanian, Iraqi and Yemeni diplomats. Saudi relations with Jordan and Yemen have been strained because the two countries failed to condemn Iraq for invading Kuwait last month.

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - The British governor in Hong Kong says mandatory repatriation of Vietnamese boat people who do NOT qualify as refugees probably will begin by the end of the year. Hong Kong Governor David Wilson made the remarks today. Vietnam, Hong Kong, Britain and the U-N High Commission yesterday reached an agreement on the return of boat people found to be economic migrants rather than refugees.

Police have found the bodies of a West German couple who vanished 25 years ago while climbing in the Austrian Alps. Police say the couple were last seen in 1965 while hiking in the Alps, southwest of Innsbruck. Police announced yesterday the bodies were found partially concealed in permanent ice at 11-thousand feet on a mountain peak. The couple had identification papers, still legible, inside their backpacks.

The lights are back on in Chicago's West Side after a power outage that left 15-thousand customers in the dark. Commonwealth Edison blamed the outage on ''human error'' that occurred when crews sent power to lines under repair, causing a surge that melted breakers and cut off electricity. NO one was hurt. It was the third major power outage to affect Chicago's West Side in two months.

The exiled leader of Tibet, the Dalai Lama, visited Philadelphia yesterday in his continuing bid for freedom for his people. The Dalai Lama, the winner of the 1989 Nobel Peace Prize posed for photographers at the Liberty Bell. He predicts changes in Eastern Europe and in the Soviet Union will help Tibet, a country occupied since 1950 by the Chinese government.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 23) UPI - Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady urged International Monetary Fund leaders Sunday to ''meet the economic challenges'' of the Persian Gulf crisis by mobilizing to support the hardest-hit nations.

Brady's comments to the IMF's policy-setting Interim Committee signaled that the U.S. administration is determined to use IMF and World Bank meetings this week to buttress opposition to Iraq's occupation of Kuwait.

U.S. officials are drumming up greater assistance for the ''front- line''

states hurt by the U.N. economic embargo of Iraq, looking for some $14 billion aid for former Iraqi commercial partners Jordan, Turkey and Egypt.

The Persian Gulf crisis, the treasury secretary said, has presented ''a host of challenges: political, military and economic. Together, we must meet the economic challenges, and I am optimistic we can do so.''

''The front-line states will incur very large economic losses,'' he said. ''The international community has rallied to provide support for them. Thanks to our collective efforts, progress in the mobilization ... is encouraging.''

Brady noted that East European states that depended on Iraq for a supply of cheap oil, often bartered for low-quality consumer goods which cannot be sold on more competitive Western markets, also have been hit.

He urged IMF and World Bank officials to ''adjust their policies (to become) more flexible and responsive to the needs of members seriously affected by the crisis.'' He asked the IMF to loosen and speed up lending mechanisms.

In conclusion, Brady said that ''the worldwide support for a decisive response to aggression in the Persian Gulf is right, and shows what coordinated effort can achieve when the will is there.''

Elsewhere, the Group of 10, a ministerial panel that oversees the use of IMf loan funds, met and issued an optimistic statement echoing the one released on Saturday by the Group of Seven largest industrial nations.

Despite soaring oil prices, the G-10 ministers ''saw prospects for a continued but more moderate expansion'' of the industrial economies. But they said growth would be more vigorous in some countries than in others.

Like the G-7 panel, the Group of 10 called for firm interest rates to counter the inflationary effects of record high oil prices, balanced by attention to any signs that high energy costs are slowing the world economy.

On Saturday, G-7 officials said oil prices surging on Mideast tensions were not pushing the industrialized world into a recession.

But the U.S., Japanese, West German, French, Italian, British and Canadian finance ministers and central bank governors said economic leaders must steer between twin dangers of inflation and economic deceleration.

''Government's job now is to balance itself so it navigates between those two risks, and we neither put ourselves in the way of runaway inflation, nor do we adopt policies which would slow economic growth,'' Brady said Saturday.

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

Toronto - Signed third baseman Felipe Crespo, their third round pick in the June 1990 free agent draft.

Football

Green Bay - Placed linebacker Bobby Houston on non-football illness list; re-signed wide receiver Carl Bland.

Saskatchewan (CFL) - Activated wide receiver Greg Harris and slotback Jeff Fairholm; transferred wide receiver Mark Guy to reserve list; released slotback Slater Zaleski.

Winnipeg (CFL) - Activated linebacker David Ward, running back Terry Cochrane and wide receiver Perry Tuttle; released wide receivers Lee Hull and Steve Zatylny and linebacker Quentin Riggins.

Hockey

New Jersey - Assigned goaltenders Pokey Reddick and Mark Romaine, defensemen Todd Copeland, Chris Kiene, Marc Laniel, Mike Posma, Jeff Sharples, Sergei Starikov and Bob Woods, and forwards Perry Anderson, Mike Bodnarchuk, Neil Brady, Jeff Christian, Bill Huard, Jeff Madill, Brennan Maley, Chris Palmer, Steve Rooney, Jason Simon, Kevin Todd and Claude Vilgrain to Utica of the American Hockey League.

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - The Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored in Athens, reports Syrian President Hafez Assad ''made it clear'' he wants foreign forces to leave the Persian Gulf region after the crisis ends. Assad made the comments in Tehran. The Syrian leader arrived in Iran yesterday for a three-day visit and met with Iranian President Hashemi- Rafsanjani.

Sources at the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Florida say the launch of a powerful Titan-4 rocket was canceled this morning for unknown reasons. As with all secret military missions, details of the flight are NOT known. The rocket's payload also is classified, but the Titan is believed to be carrying a military satellite that could monitor activities in the Persian Gulf.

Pennsylvania state police say a suspect in the slayings of two hikers along the Appalachian Trail has been arrested. Police say the man was arrested Friday in Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, and matches the description of a man

wanted by Pennsylvania authorities. The suspect is being held on murder charges in West Virgina and extradition proceedings could begin tomorrow.

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#90266u0601 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (SEPT. 23) UPI - Deposed Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was told Sunday to appear before a special disqualification court in Lahore to defend herself against charges of misconduct in a land deal while in office.

The appearance could keep Bhutto out of the Oct. 24 general elections, and she has charged the president with trying to obstruct her re-election plans with trumped-up corruption and incompetence charges.

Bhutto, the first woman elected prime minister of a Muslim country, was sacked Aug. 6 by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, who said her 20-month- old government was corrupt. He set up special disqualification courts to prosecute her and her cabinet colleagues.

He has referred four cases of corruption against Bhutto to the courts, which are studying the evidence in three of them. The fourth charge, of trying to influence the sale of prime land in the capital at low price to a hotel sponsor, was established Sunday and the court ordered her appearance Oct. 2.

Bhutto has characterized the disqualification courts as ''kangaroo courts'' and one of her former cabinet colleges has challenged their constitutionality.

At the same time, however, the challenger and another former colleague accused of using influence to obtain a plant contract for a private multinational company have started defending themselves in those courts.

Three of Bhutto's other cabinet colleagues also face criminal charges in ordinary courts. And her husband, Asif Zardari, is on bail pending charges of bank fraud.

The caretaker administration appointed by the president after dismissing Bhutto is composed of her staunch political enemies.

Ishaq Kahn has said repeatedly no one would be barred from running in the elections but the accountability process is bound to interfere with active campaigning.

Bhutto's political fortunes have improved since her sacking and she appears able to win a majority in Punjab province, the largest in the country. Some think it could give her enough seats in the next assembly to remake her government.

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - TODAY'S PEOPLE:

WELCOME TO TEXASVILLE: The stars of ''Texasville'' showed up in Dallas Saturday night for the premier of the sequel to ''The Last Picture Show.'' Director Peter Bogdanovich and actors Jeff Bridges, Cybill Shepherd, Randy Quaid and Cloris Leachman all are back from the 1971 movie, which was based on a Larry McMurtry novel, as is ''Texasville.'' Bogdanovich was asked at a news conference if making ''Texasville'' was fun. His answer: ''It was difficult, enriching, complicated, life-altering, a big experience, but not fun.'' Shepherd, who frequently campaigns for abortion rights, used the Dallas trip to do some politicking. She appeared at a pro-choice rally with Ann Richards, the Democratic nominee for governor, before attending the premiere with her parents and Richards.

WOMEN'S ROLES: Add Christine Lahti to the list of those who say women don't get a fair deal in Hollywood. Women are not as frequently as they once were portrayed as clinging vines attached to male stars, but Lahti says that's not enough. ''Look at the women's roles this summer,'' she said. ''Julia Roberts played a whore in 'Pretty Woman.' Jennifer Jason Lee played two hookers. Demi Moore had a good part in 'Ghost,' but that was it. At least a clinging vine had something to do. She clung. Today, female roles are limited to 'the girlfriend.' Whether she's a sex object or a career woman, she's two-dimensional in support of the male lead.'' Lahti says she was grateful for the strong role she has in ''Funny About Love'' with Gene Wilder, but that doesn't ease her disenchantment with movies. ''For me, the best way to find good roles is in the theater,'' she says. ''I feed the artistic me on stage and then try to make some money in a movie.''

BEHIND THE SMILE: Marriette Hartley presented a sunny image while doing all those camera commercials with James Garner, but her life has had extended dark periods. Hartley, 50, has written an autobiography that discusses how she was shattered by her father's suicide, her own suicide attempt at 15, her days as a battered wife and her alcoholism. Hartley was 23 when her father killed himself, but she and her mother went through a stretch of denial and ''pretended that nothing had happened.'' Years of drinking and binge-eating followed. ''I'd drunkenly squat in front of an open refrigerator, an open cupboard, drinking vodka and eating everything, including Purina Cat Chow.'' After years of psychotherapy and support groups, Hartley says she's able to face her problems. ''I needed to be reminding all the time to talk, because the old voices said, 'Don't,''' she says. ''Even now, when I talk about the past, my knees shake. I don't think I would be here today if I hadn't learned to talk.''

GLIMPSES: Czechoslovakia's playwright-president, Vaclav Havel, began his first visit to Italy as head of state by accepting a literary prize Sunday on the isle of Capri. Writer Umberto Eco, author of ''The Name of the Rose''

bestseller, film director Lina Wertmuller and Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis were on hand to see Havel pick up the Curzio Malaparte Prize, named for an Italian writer who lived in Naples. Havel meets with President Francesco Cossiga, Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti and Pope John Paul II on Monday ... Randy Newman wrote five songs for this week's episode of ''Cop Rock '' the innovative musical drama from producer Steven Bochco, and Bochco would love to work with more big name musicians like Paul Simon. ''Are you kidding?'' he told The New York Times. ''I'd kiss him in Macy's window. If Billy Joel was willing to write an episode, or even one song, just tell me where to show up to sign him.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 23) UPI - Assistant Senate Democratic leader Alan Cranston of California, citing concerns about the nominee's abortion views, said Sunday he will vote against the confirmation of Judge David Souter to the Supreme Court.

In remarks prepared for delivery in the Senate Monday, Cranston became the first senator to announce he will oppose President Bush's choice to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of William Brennan, one of the court's liberal members.

''I cannot support a nominee who refuses to acknowledge that a woman's right to choose to terminate a pregnancy is a fundamental right or that the right of individuals, married or unmarried, to use contraceptives to prevent pregnancy is a matter of settled law,'' Cranston said.

''I cannot support a nominee who regards these issues as open questions,'' said Cranston, who is the author of an abortion rights bill pending in the Senate. Souter, 51, a federal appeals court judge and former member of the New Hampshire Supreme Court, declined in his confirmation hearings to say how he might vote on cases challenging the landmark 1973 Roe vs. Wade decision, which recognized a constitutional right for women to seek abortions.

Souter, in Senate Judiciary Committee hearings that ended last week, said only that he would come to the court with no preconceived agenda on abortion or on Roe vs. Wade.

He was questioned without the controversy that marked the marked the failed nomination of Judge Robert Bork in 1987, during the Reagan admininstration. Some women's and birth control groups did, however, announce their opposition to Souter, citing grounds similar to Cranston's.

Cranston said he would ''vote no because Judge Souter will not reveal his views on a fundamental constitutional issue, the right of privacy. I will vote no because I do not believe that I can exercise responsibly my constitutional

duty to advise and consent to a nomination when the nominee has determined to carve out one special and controversial area of the law in which he refuses to reveal his opinions, for whatever reason.''

The Judiciary Committee must still vote on whether to recommend Souter's confirmation by the full Senate.

Cranston, who is not a member of the committee, said he doubts if Souther ''has an adequate understanding of and commitment to one of the most fundamental and important constitutional rights citizens of this country inherently possess, the right of privacy.''

''The right of privacy - the right of each American to be left alone and to be free from government surveillance, the right of each American to determine the ways in which he or she lives his or her personal life - is one of the most fundamental liberties that each American expects to enjoy,'' Cranston said.

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today threatened to attack oil fields in Saudi Arabia and other Arab countries if his people are- quote- ''strangled'' by the economic sanctions against Iraq. Saddam's statement was released after a joint meeting of Iraq's ruling Revolution Command Council.

South African President Frederik de Klerk arrived in Washington this morning and was greeted by Secretary of State Baker. Upon his arrival, the South African leader quoted civil rights leader Martin Luther King Junior and said his nation is on a- quote- ''great journey toward full democracy.''

Palestinian sources say at least 16 Palestinians were shot and wounded by Israeli soldiers today as violence erupted in parts of the Gaza Strip. The chaos broke out after Arabs returning from work in Israel said they had been stoned, apparently in retaliation for Thursday's slaying of an Israeli soldier.

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - Lebanese police say unidentified gunmen ambushed and killed four prisoners while they were being transferred to a prison in Christian east Beirut. Officials say the gunmen sprayed the police vehicle with automatic rifle bullets late yesterday in an area controlled by Christian Army General Michel Aoun.

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the Persian Gulf.

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said Sunday he would attack Israel and oil fields in Saudi Arabia if his country is ''suffocated'' by mounting international efforts to force Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Iraq also charged Sunday that the United States has refused permission for an Iraqi plan to land in New York so that Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz can attend a U.N. General Assembly meeting, and U.S. Secretary of State James Baker scoffed at reports the United States failed to warn Iraq against invading Kuwait.

Saddam's message, broadcast on Baghdad radio, reiterated many of the threats Iraq has made in the past, none of which have yet come to pass.

But it was one of the strongest statements yet by the besieged Iraqi leader and for the first time suggested he was ready to fight over sanctions. Previously he has indicated he would only attack if attacked first by Western forces.

''If we felt the people of Iraq are suffocating and there is somebody dealing to them a bloody blow, we will make all those causing it suffocate,'' the statement said.

Analysts say Western and Australian warships in the Persian Gulf have been effectively enforcing the economic embargo, imposed by the United Nations following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, and now the U.N. Security Council has devised a plan to enforce the sanctions by air as well.

Saddam's statement, issued after a joint meeting of the ruling Revolution Command Council and Baath Socialist party, said if would make the West suffer by halting the flow of oil from the Middle East.

It reiterated that Israel would be one of Iraq's first targets should fighting erupt and that Iraq had no intention of retreating from Kuwait.

In a move to further consolidate its grip on Kuwait, Iraq announced Sunday it was abolishing the Kuwaiti dinar and replacing it with Iraqi currency with a one-on-one exchange rate. Before the invasion a single Kuwaiti dinar was worth

almost 12 Iraqi dinars.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said in a interview with an American television network that the newest statement from Iraq was ''not very helpful to those who want a peaceful solution to the problem.''

Perez de Cuellar also said he was planning to meet with ''many actors in the present drama,'' including Aziz, and that he would support a U.N. peacekeeping force in the region.

The U.N. secretary general said an air embargo against Iraq would probably be approved within a few days.

INA said Aziz sent a letter of protest to Perez de Cuellar because the United States had denied permission for his plane to land in New York. It said Aziz had wanted to participate in the debate over the proposed air embargo.

The State Department said it had ''no information'' on Aziz's charge.

Baker scoffed Sunday at what he called ''twenty-twenty hindsight'' after the Iraqi embassy in Washington released the transcript of a July 25 meeting between Saddam and the U.S. ambassador in which he seemed to warn of the impending invasion.

Ambassador April Glaspie told Saddam during the meeting that Washington was concerned about the buildup of Iraqi troops near the Kuwaiti border but was not taking sides in the dispute.

Some analysts have said the United States appeared to give Iraq the green light to invade, a contention Baker sharply denied.

In Tehran, Iranian President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani said at a banquet for Syrian President Hafez Assad that Iran is steadfast in its opposition to the U.S.-led multinational military force in the gulf, calling it an ''arrogant scheme,'' according to a report Sunday by the Iranian news agency IRNA.

Assad, who made his first trip as president to Tehran to persuade Iran to modify its stance toward U.S. policy in the gulf, said he also favors withdrawal of Western forces but only after the crisis is over, according to IRNA.

Saudi Arabia said Sunday it expelled dozens of Jordanian, Iraqi and Yemeni diplomats because they were engaging in unspecified activities that undermined the kingdom's security.

Saudi authorities said in a statement the diplomats and embassy employees expelled Saturday had violated the ''code of conduct and rules of diplomatic service,'' but did not elaborate.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - Harshly criticized in the past for supporting Third World projects that harmed the environment, the World Bank in 1989-1990 sharply increased its loans for environmental improvement, the bank said Sunday.

Presenting the World Bank's first annual environmental report, officials said the bank approved 11 loans totaling $404 million in the fiscal year ended June 30 for ''free-standing,'' or purely environmental, projects.

By comparison, only two such loans were approved in fiscal 1989, said Kenneth Piddington, the bank's environmental department director. He said half of all World Bank loans approved in fiscal 1990 had environmental aspects.

He noted that the World Bank has also been involved in ongoing discussions as to the creation of a Global Environmental Facility, a kind of planetary agency to protect against broad threats like ozone layer depletion.

In 1987, World Bank President Barber Conable acknowledged that bank- financed projects such as a Brazilian highway traversing the Amazon Basin had seriously harmed the environment, pledging more environmental impact study.

Piddington said he believed sensitivity to environmental effects had become a permanent component of World Bank projects. He likened the change effected by the institution to a turn made at sea by a supertanker.

''You had to correct when you got to the end of the turn, and I really feel we are at that point in the bank,'' he said.

''Free-standing'' environmental loans made to countries like Brazil and Poland have been designed to help the recipients create their own agencies to assess environmental impact and come up with local solutions.

Thierry Baudon, the World Bank's environmental division chief for Europe, the Mideast and Africa, said East European projects aim to help formerly Communist countries ''get the biggest bang for their zloty or crown.''

Poland is to receive $20 million to finance an environmental policy analysis unit within the country's environmental ministry. Elsewhere, the World Bank is promoting local structures like river basin authorities.

Local authorities are seen as preferable to action at the governmental level, he said. Four decades of totalitarianism have left many East Europeans with a deep-rooted distrust and disdain for bureaucrats.

''The pendulum is swinging back so much towards individual freedom that they don't want to hear about central authority,'' he said. ''We are fighting that, just as in the old days we were fighting the central authorities.''

East European environmental damage is so severe, especially in the coal basin running across Czechoslovakia and southern Poland and East Germany, that ''the cleanup backlog is enormous'' and repairing it will take many years.

Much attention has been paid to air pollution by steel mills and other heavy industries, but Baudon said a longer-term threat is posed by the pollution of underground water supplies which could last for centuries.

He said the sad state of things is ''a blessing and a curse.'' While conditions are often shockingly bad, he said, significant gains may be made soon through the closure of pollution-belching ''dinosaur'' industries.

The World Bank has adopted a ''least-cost'' approach in the region, he said. It has discouraged heavy investment by the region in pollution- control equipment, considering it more important to build environmental agencies.

Western companies, seeing the huge market potential, are aggressively selling their environmental-control equipment. But ''it would be a mistake to throw money at the environment there,'' Baudon said.

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#90266u0812 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 23) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today issued his strongest warning yet. Saddam threatened to attack oil fields in Saudi Arabia and other Arab nations if his people suffer because of the economic sanctions against Iraq. Quoting the Iraqi leader- ''We will NOT allow anybody... to strangle the people of Iraq.'' Saddam also warned the United States to avoid a military confrontation.

South African President de Klerk arrived in Washington this morning and declared the ''walls of apartheid are coming down.'' De Klerk will meet with President Bush at the White House tomorrow for what's being called an ''official visit.'' When asked if he was coming to the United States seeking an end to U-S sanctions against South Africa, De Klerk replied- ''I didn't come here with a shopping list.''

The 45th session of the U-N General Assembly opens in New York tomorrow with a full agenda that's certain to be overshadowed by the Persian Gulf crisis. The General Assembly will debate the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait as well as South Africa's apartheid policies and the international debt of developing nations. All 160 U-N member states are expected to attend the forum.

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#90266u0818 09/23/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 23) UPI - NASA engineers at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida are preparing the shuttle Discovery for blast-off next month. The shuttle's original launch date was October 5th, but problems delaying a Titan-4 rocket launch could push Discovery's lift-off back by two or three days. Sources at the nearby Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, say this morning's secret military Titan launch was canceled for unknown reasons.

Dallas police say a man whose car had broken down was fatally shot when he refused to pay a drunken man 25 cents after using his telephone to call for help. Police say 24-year-old Melvin Miller was shot once in the chest Friday night during a dispute with 61-year-old James Cooks. Cooks has been charged in Miller's death and is being held without bail.

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#90266u0900 09/23/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 23) UPI - Secretary of State Baker today scoffed at suggestions that U-S foreign policy may have contributed to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, calling it ''20B-C were in response to speculative stories that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein thought the United States would NOT resist his invasion of Kuwait. .

In Baghdad, Saddam today issued his toughest threat yet. He said he would attack oil fields in Saudi Arabia and other Arab nations if the Iraqi people suffer because of economic sanctions. U-N Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar says he's troubled by Saddam's latest threat.

South African President de Klerk today became the first South African leader to visit the United States in 45 years. Upon his arrival at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington, De Klerk quoted civil rights leader Martin Luther King, saying ''peace and freedom are the goals of all men.'' He also said Pretoria is on ''a great journey toward full democracy.'' .

In South Africa, black leader Nelson Mandela charged the government imposed tough military-style steps to curb black factional fighting mainly to restore calm during de Klerk's U-S visit. Mandela said government forces only ''pretend de Klerk has put an end to the violence.'' He says the fighting is NOT over despite the apparent calm.

Air Force officials today delayed the predawn launch of an Air Force Titan-4 rocket carrying a secret military payload. Sources say the launch was grounded at the last minute for unexplained reasons. Since Titan-4 flight preparations are conducted in secrecy, it was NOT immediately possible to confirm when another attempt might be made.

-30- 1797

#90266u0911 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 23) UPI - A ranking Shiite cleric in Lebanon says Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite will be freed very soon. The cleric confirmed Iran has been involved in hostage-taking and said Waite's release would be an Iranian effort to improve its image in the world. Waite was kidnapped in west Beirut in January 1987.

French police say authorities today arrested what's believed to be the last major leader of the violent Basque separatist group E-T-A. The suspected chief of logistics for the E-T-A, who's known as ''Waldo,'' gave up without incident following a car chase through the streets of southwest France after eluding police in recent years.

French police recovered five masterpieces stolen from Paris museums this summer... and charged a 21-year-old Frenchman with the theft. The master paintings included a work by Renoir that was cut from its frame at the Louvre during visiting hours. Police say the suspect is also responsible for the disappearance of a 1470 paintng from a Venice museum last Friday.

Members of the Bulgarian Socialist Party are deeply divided over the party's ideological future. Today, the differences erupted as radical reformers demanded the ouster of B-S-P members linked to the party's Stalinist past. The feuding occurred in Sofia on the second day of a crucial party congress.

Inmates in 20 East German prisons are involved in a five-day-old revolt demanding amnesty and a review of their sentences after German reunification, set for October 3rd. Officials and news reports say more than 200 convicts are staging hunger strikes, sit-in and demonstrations.

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#90266u1198 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 23) UPI - U-N General-Secretary Perez de Cuellar says he's troubled by Saddam Hussein's latest threat. The Iraqi president today threatened to attack oil fields in Saudi Arabia and other Arab nations if the Iraqi people suffer as a result of the economic sanctions against his country.

North Carolina officials and Red Cross volunteers are preparing a red, white and blue welcome for more than 100 Americans scheduled to arrive in Raleigh early this evening. The former hostages arrived in London last night on the last scheduled evacuation flight to carry foreigners out of Kuwait and Baghdad.

Treasury Secretary Brady today urged the leaders of the International Monetary Fund to mobilize to support the nations hardest-hit by the Persian Gulf crisis. Brady's comments to the I-M-F's policy-setting Interim Committee signals the Bush administration will use I-M-F and World Bank meetings this week to buttress opposition to Iraq's occupation of Kuwait.

Assistant Senate Democratic leader Alan Cranston says he'll vote against the confirmation of Judge David Souter to the Supreme Court. The California senator cited concerns about Souter's abortion views. Cranston becomes the first senator to announce he'll oppose President Bush's choice to fill the vacancy left by Willian Brennan's departure.

-30- 1471

#90266u1202 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 23) UPI - Pakistan's deposed prime minister, Benazir Bhutto, was told today to appear before a special disqualification court. Bhutto is charged with misconduct in a land deal while in office and the court appearance could keep her out of the October 24th general elections. .

Pakistan's president today discounted the possibility of war with India over the long-disputed Kashmir region. President Ghulam Ishaq Khan said recent border clashes between India and Pakistan were- quote- ''NO cause for concern'' and would NOT trigger an all-out war. Khan made the comments to reporters on the last day of a four-day visit to Beijing .

Philippine President Aquino sounded optimistic today as she discussed the results of last week's U-S-Philippine talks on the future of American military bases in her country. Aquino said she's willing to consider a phase-out of the Subic Bay Naval Base. U-S basing rights expire next year. .

Also today in the Philippines, two hotels were rocked by bomb blasts that wounded left eight, including four children. Police say the explosions occurred in rooms at the Hotel Nikko Manila Garden and the Mandarin Oriental Hotel. Both five-star hotels are located in Manila's financial district.

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#90266u1225 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	88	65	.575	-	46-30	42-35	4-6	W-1
New York	85	67	.559	2 1/2	51-27	34-40	4-6	W-2
Montreal	81	71	.533	6 1/2	43-29	38-42	6-4	L-3
Chicago	72	80	.474	15 1/2	38-42	34-38	5-5	L-2
Philadel.	72	80	.474	15 1/2	38-36	34-44	7-3	W-3
St. Louis	68	85	.444	20	34-44	34-41	4-6	L-1
West								
Cincinnati	87	66	.569	-	42-30	45-36	6-4	W-4
Los Angeles	82	71	.536	5	45-33	37-38	7-3	L-1
San Fran.	78	75	.510	9	42-29	36-45	3-7	W-1

San Diego	71	82	.464	16	37-44	34-38	5-5	L-5
Houston	70	83	.458	17	45-30	25-53	6-4	L-2
Atlanta	62	91	.405	25	37-43	25-48	4-6	W-2

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#90266u1411 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 23) UPI - In Hawaii yesterday, voters chose two incumbent members of Congress to square off for the U-S Senate seat formerly held by the late Spark Matsunaga. Democrat Daniel Akaka and Republican Patricia Saiki were nominated by huge margins. Akaka was appointed earlier this year to fill a vacancy in the Senate. Saiki won election to the House in 1986 and was re-elected two years later.

The 1991 Old Farmer's Almanac hits the newsstands tomorrow chock full of its usual weather predictions, observations of absurd consumer trends and other oddities. This year's edition, the almanac's 199th, predicts a winter as ''cold as the Dickens,'' and features stories on glow-in-the dark condoms and an earthquake-forecasting method that counts missing dogs and cats.

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#90266u1495 09/23/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Toronto	83	70	.542	-	44-37	39-33	7-3	W-1
Boston	82	71	.536	1	46-27	36-44	2-8	L-2
Detroit	74	79	.484	9	36-39	38-40	5-5	W-1
Cleveland	73	81	.474	10 1/2	39-37	34-44	8-2	L-1
Baltimore	70	81	.464	12	38-39	32-42	6-4	W-5
Milwaukee	69	83	.454	13 1/2	34-38	35-45	1-9	L-6
New York	62	91	.405	21	34-40	28-51	3-7	W-2
West								
Oakland	97	55	.638	-	50-28	47-27	6-4	L-1
Chicago	89	64	.582	8 1/2	45-29	44-35	8-2	W-3
Texas	80	72	.526	17	45-30	35-42	6-4	L-2
California	75	77	.493	22	41-36	34-41	4-6	L-2
Seattle	74	80	.481	24	39-43	35-37	4-6	L-3
Kansas City	71	81	.467	26	44-34	27-47	5-5	W-2
Minnesota	70	84	.455	28	39-39	31-45	5-5	W-1

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#90266u1530 09/23/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 23) UPI - What may be the last group of American hostages evacuated out of Baghdad and Kuwait arrived in Raleigh, North Carolina, this evening. Officials say the World Airways D-C-10 carried 112 former hostages, including 41 Americans. The State Department says NO additional evacuation flights are scheduled, but a U-S Embassy official in London says more could be arranged if they are needed. .

Tough talk today from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Saddam says he will attack Israel and oil fields in Saudi Arabia if he felt- in his words- ''the people of Iraq are suffocating.'' The Iraqi leader reiterated many of the threats he has made in the past in a message broadcast on Baghdad radio. However, it is Saddam's first hint that he may fight over sanctions.

South African President Frederik de Klerk arrived today in Washington, declaring that his country is on ''a great journey toward full democracy.'' During his two-day visit to the nation's capital, De Klerk will meet with President Bush and other top U-S officials. Hours after De Klerk's arrival, anti-apartheid protesters gathered in a park across from the White House.

The World Bank today presented its first annual environmental report. The bank has been criticized in the past for supporting Third World projects that were harmful to the environment. But bank officials say they greatly increased environmental improvement loans in 1989-1990. Officials say the bank approved 11 loans totaling 404-Million dollars for purely environmental projects in fiscal 1990. Only two such loans were approved in fiscal 1989.

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#90266u1533 09/23/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 23) UPI - A spokesman for the Mormon Church says church president Ezra Taft Benson was hospitalized today for a second time within a week for brain surgery. The 91-year-old Benson is suffering from a build-up of fluid inside the skull. Benson has been the leader of seven-point-five-Million Mormons for five years.

A congressional report says about 17 percent of colo-rectal cancers among the elderly could be prevented by an annual simple screening procedure. But the Office of Technology Assessment notes that the testing could be an expensive venture for Medicare, which currently does NOT pay for such screening. About 110-thousand people past the age of 65 are diagnosed with colo-rectal cancer every year.

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#90266u1540 09/23/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 24) UPI - NFL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Dallas	0	3	3	9--15
Washington	3	3	6	7--19

FIRST QUARTER
Wash-FG Lohmiller 37, :58

SECOND QUARTER
Dal-FG Willis 33, 7:42
Wash-FG Lohmiller 23, :52

THIRD QUARTER
Dal-FG Willis 41, 13:51
Wash-FG Lohmiller 24, 10:16
Wash-FG Lohmiller 55, 2:36

FOURTH QUARTER
Wash-Green 18 interception return (Lohmiller kick) 13:24
Dal-E. Smith 2 run (Willis kick) 3:03
Dal-Safety, punter Mojsiejenko steps out of end zone, 1:51

A-55,683; 1,879 no-shows

	Dal	Wash
First downs	19	11
Rushes-yards	26--91	21--79
Passing yards	143	145
Sacked-yards lost	8--64	3--20
3rd down eff.	7--19--37.0	3--13--23.0
4th down eff.	1--1--100.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	23--43--2	13--30--0
Punts	5--42.0	5--38.8
Punt returns-yds	2--14	2--10
KO returns-yds	4--55	4--54
Fumbles-lost	2--1	1--1
Penalties-yards	9--65	11--102
Time of possession	36:07	23:53

Indianapolis	0	0	10	0--10
Houston	0	14	3	7--24

FIRST QUARTER No Scoring.

SECOND QUARTER
Hou-White 13 pass from Moon (Zendejas kick), 8:50
Hou-White 7 pass from Moon (Zendejas kick), 14:21

THIRD QUARTER
Ind-FG Biasucci 33, 4:58

Hou-FG Zendejas 30, 9:17
Ind-Beach 16 pass from Trudeau (Biasucci kick), 14:18

FOURTH QUARTER
Hou-Givins 6 pass from Moon (Zendejas kick), 11:57

A-50,039

	Ind	Hou
First downs	18	23
Rushes-yards	18--57	20--69
Passing yards	195	303
Sacked-yards lost	3--28	1--5
3rd down eff	4--10--40.0	5--8--62.0
4th down eff	0--1--0	0--1--0
Passes	20--38--2	29--39--1
Punts	4--46.3	1--44.0
Punt returns-yds	0--0	3--25
KO returns-yds	4--59	3--75
Fumbles-lost	3--2	3--2
Penalties-yards	10--83	9--55
Time of possession	28:19	31:41

Kansas City	0	7	0	10-17
Green Bay	0	3	0	0- 3

FIRST QUARTER
No Scoring.

SECOND QUARTER
GB-FG Jacke 46, 9:09
KC-Okoye 5 run (Lowery kick), 14:01

THIRD QUARTER
No Scoring.

FOURTH QUARTER
KC-FG Lowery 20, 4:29
KC-Petry 33 interception return (Lowery kick), 12:00

A-58,817

	KC	GB
First downs	14	17
Rushes-yards	34--153	26--121
Passing yards	118	136
Sacked-yards lost	1--9	7--38
3rd down eff.	4--13--31.0	6--14--43.0

4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	0--2--00.0
Passes	9--21--0	19--31--2
Punts	5--42.4	4--29.0
Punt returns-yds	2--15	3--45
KO returns-yds	1--19	2--32
Fumbles-lost	2--1	2--2
Penalties-yards	11--103	10--46
Time of possession	26:56	33:04

Miami	0	0	3	0	3
NY Giants	3	7	0	10	20

FIRST QUARTER
NYG-FG Allegre 22, 15:00

SECOND QUARTER
NYG-Anderson 1 run (Allegre kick), 13:03

THIRD QUARTER
Mia-FG Stoyanovich 51, 3:08

FOURTH QUARTER
NYG-Anderson 2 run (Allegre kick), 4:57
NYG-FG Allegre 45, 13:57

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	Mia	NYG
First downs	7	17
Rushes-yards	11--39	45--131
Passing yards	119	179
Sacked-yards lost	1--7	1--3
3rd down eff.	2--10--20	6--17--35
4th down eff.	0--0--0	2--2--100
Passes	33--16--2	25--13--0
Punts	6--34.8	6--44.2
Punt returns-yds	3--3	3--23
KO returns-yds	3--57	1--19
Fumbles-lost	1--1	0--0
Penalties-yards	3--24	9--81
Time of possession	19:42	40:18

Minnesota	0	6	3	7	16
Chicago	3	10	3	3	19

FIRST QUARTER
Chi-FG Butler 23, 5:08

SECOND QUARTER

Chi-FG Butler 51, 1:20
Minn-FG Igwebuike 26, 4:59
Chi-Anderson 8 run (Butler kick), 13:06
Minn-FG Igwebuike 25, 14:57

THIRD QUARTER
Minn-FG Igwebuike 22, 5:19
Chi-FG Butler 32, 11:40

FOURTH QUARTER
Minn-Jones 17 pass from Wilson (Igwebuike kick), 13:05
Chi-FG Butler 52, 14:56

A-65,420

	Minn	Chi
First downs	15	15
Rushes-yards	28--133	43--215
Passing yards	152	40
Sacked-yards lost	2--7	1--3
3rd down eff.	4--13--31.0	2--12--17.0
4th down eff.	1--2--50.0	1--1--100.0
Passes	13--28--2	5--16--1
Punts	4--34.8	4--41.8
Punt returns-yds	2--18	2--23
KO returns-yds	5--87	5--93
Fumbles-lost	3--0	0--0
Penalties-yards	2--10	3--20
Time of possession	25:37	34:23

New England	0	7	0	0	7
Cincinnati	17	14	3	7	41

FIRST QUARTER
Cin-FG Breech 46, 2:09
Cin-Brown 42 pass from Esiason (Breech kick), 8:17
Cin-Holman 4 pass from Johnson (Breech kick), 12:43

SECOND QUARTER
Cin-Green 3 run (Breech kick), 8:35
Cin-Brooks 6 run (Breech kick), 13:48
NE-Cook 7 pass from Wilson (Staurovsky kick), 14:50

THIRD QUARTER
Cin-FG Breech 23, 6:47

FOURTH QUARTER
Cin-Holman 3 pass from Esiason (Breech kick), 3:53

A-56,470

	NE	Cin
First downs	19	18
Rushes-yards	17--34	33--110
Passing yards	250	236
Sacked-yards Lost	6--57	6--39
3rd down eff.	5--14--35.0	7--15--46.0
4th down eff.	0--1--0.0	1--1--100
Passes	27--47--2	16--28--2
Punts	6--43.8	5--41.4
Punt returns-yds	0--0	4--35
KO returns-yds	4--75	2--38
Fumbles-lost	4--3	1--0
Penalties-yards	6--35	2--15
Time of possession	26:58	33:02

Phoenix	0	0	7	0	7
New Orleans	0	7	7	14	28

FIRST QUARTER
No Scoring.

SECOND QUARTER
NO-Martin 14 pass from Fourcade (Andersen kick) 14:38

THIRD QUARTER
Phx-Proehl 37 pass from Rosenbach (Del Greco kick) 5:08
NO-Mayes 10 run (Andersen kick) 10:45

FOURTH QUARTER
NO-Mayes 4 run (Andersen kick) :58
NO-Mayes 14 run (Andersen kick) 13:06

A-61,110

	Phx	NO
First downs	15	21
Rushes-yards	30--111	35--151
Passing yards	186	146
Sacked-yards lost	1--5	1--5
3rd down eff.	5--13--38.0	7--13--54.0
4th down eff.	1--2--50.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	14--26--1	12--23--1
Punts	3--46.3	4--34.8
Punt returns-yds	1--8	2--9
KO returns-yds	3--43	2--33

Fumbles-lost	3--1	2--0
Penalties-yards	12--106	6--50
Time of possessio	30:45	29:15

Atlanta	3	0	7	3--13
San Francisco	0	5	14	0--19

FIRST QUARTER
Atl-FG Davis 37, 2:52

SECOND QUARTER
SF-Safety, Turner runs Miller out of end zone, 0:48
SF-FG Cofer 47, 11:34

THIRD QUARTER
SF-Rice 35 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 5:52
Atl-Collins 7 pass from Miller (Davis kick), 9:37
SF-Jones 67 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 12:00

FOURTH QUARTER
Atl-FG Davis 35, 11:24

A-62,858

	Atl	SF
First downs	18	17
Rushes-yards	18--49	29--66
Passing yards	320	379
Sacked-yards lost	4--17	3--19
3rd down eff.	5--12--42.0	6--14--43.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	25--41--2	24--36--0
Punts	4--40.0	6--39.2
Punt returns-yds	2--10	3--11
KO returns-yds	4--104	5--63
Fumbles-lost	2--1	1--1
Penalties-yards	9--62	6--50
Time of possession	28:26	31:34

Atlanta	3	0	7	3--13
San Francisco	0	5	14	0--19

FIRST QUARTER
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Rushes-yards	18--49	29--66
Passing yards	320	379
Sacked-yards lost	4--17	3--19
3rd down eff.	5--12--42.0	6--14--43.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	25--41--2	24--36--0
Punts	4--40.0	6--39.2
Punt returns-yds	2--10	3--11
KO returns-yds	4--104	5--63
Fumbles-lost	2--1	1--1
Penalties-yards	9--62	6--50
Time of possession	28:26	31:34

Pittsburgh	3	0	0	0-- 3
LA Raiders	0	3	3	14--20

FIRST QUARTER
Pit-FG Anderson 31, 9:11

SECOND QUARTER
Rai-FG Jaeger 40, 0:42

THIRD QUARTER
Rai-FG Jaeger 45, 3:19

FOURTH QUARTER
Rai-Allen 1 run (Jaeger kick), 3:57
Rai-Fernandez 66 pass from Schroeder (Jaeger kick), 6:28

A-50,657

	Pit	Rai
First downs	18	16
Rushes-yards	27--90	34--125
Passing yards	118	148

Sacked-yards lost	6--38	0--0
3rd down eff.	8--14--57.0	4--10--40.0
4th down eff.	1--1--100.0	1--1--100.0
Passes	19--28--1	9--20--1
Punts	5--39.4	3--35.3
Punt returns-yds	1--3	3--44
KO returns-yds	3--39	2--41
Fumbles-lost	5--2	0--0
Penalties-yards	5--31	5--30
Time of possession	33:16	26:44

Detroit	3	3	7	7--20
Tampa Bay	0	6	3	14--23

FIRST QUARTER
Det-FG Murray 25, 11:21

SECOND QUARTER
TB-FG Christie 55, 1:57
TB-FG Christie 28, 6:08
Det-FG Murray 33, 11:29

THIRD QUARTER
Det-Peete 1 run (Murray kick), 4:04
TB-FG Christie 21, 11:39

FOURTH QUARTER
TB-Anderson 11 run (Christie kick), 4:52
Det-Clark 5 pass from Peete (Murray kick), 8:14
TB-Harvey 3 pass from Testaverde (Christie kick), 10:39

A-55,075

	Det	TB
First downs	18	19
Rushes-yards	26--155	39--152
Passing yards	152	171
Sacked-yards lost	3--17	1--10
3rd down eff.	5-10-50.0	4-13-30.7
4th down eff.	0-1-00.0	2-2-100.0
Passes	17--26--0	13--22--0
Punts	2--38.0	3--36.7
Punt returns-yds	2--10	0--0
KO returns-yds	5--124	4--93
Fumbles-lost	4--2	2--1
Penalties-yards	5--41	5--60
Time of possession	27:38	32:22

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - More hostages arrive in the United States from Kuwait... the U-N opens its General Assembly tomorrow... and the first vote against David Souter's nomination. Those stories and more, next from U-P-I. .

112 people who had been trapped in Baghdad or Kuwait arrived in Raleigh, North Carolina. The former hostages, 41 of them Americans, spent last night in London after leaving Baghdad on the last scheduled evacuation flight.

The State Department says NO additional evacuation flights are planned because it's believed everyone who could get out of Kuwait and Baghdad- and wanted to- has already left.

And Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today issued his toughest statement yet. The Iraqi leader said he will attack oil fields in Saudi Arabia and other Arab nations if his country is- in his words- ''suffocated'' by economic sanctions.

In a separate development, Iraq says the United States is preventing the foreign minister from participating in a U-N General Assembly meeting by NOT allowing an Iraqi plane to land in New York.

The Iraqi News Agency reports that Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz sent a letter of protest to U-N Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar.

The 45th session of the U-N General Assembly opens in New York tomorrow, faced with a lengthy agenda that's certain to be overshadowed by events in the Persian Gulf.

All 160 U-N member states are expected to participate in the forum which will discuss Iraq's occupation of Kuwait, South Africa's apartheid policies and the international debt of developing nations.

Presidents Fernando Collor de Mello of Brazil and Francois Mitterrand of France will address the world body.

Brazil exported 342-Million dollars of goods to Iraq last year and at least six of its ships loaded with goods are stranded in the Indian Ocean because of the embargo against Iraq. Mitterrand will make a special trip to New York to address the assembly on the gulf crisis and return to Paris the same day.

The U-N Security Council is expected to adopt an air embargo against Iraq Tuesday in an effort to tighten already-existing sanctions.

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - Iraq complained today that the United States will NOT let an Iraqi plane bring Iraq's foreign minister to a U-N meeting in New York. A Bush administration official says Iraq's ambassador to Washington was told last week that the minister would have to come on a commercial flight.

Frederik de Klerk arrived in Washington today, declaring the ''walls of apartheid are coming down.'' The South African president will spend two days in the nation's capital talking with U-S lawmakers and business leaders.

The U-N General Assembly's 45th session opens tomorrow with a 150- item agenda overshadowed by the stand-off in the Persian Gulf. The U-N Security Council is considering an air embargo of Iraq to go along with its naval blockade.

Treasury Secretary Brady is asking the International Monetary Fund to help nations hit economically by the gulf crisis. Washington is trying to drum up more than 10-BILLION dollars in aid for nations that include Jordan, Turkey and Egypt.

President Bush is said to be hoping that budget summit negotiators will come up with a deficit-cutting plan before an October 1st deadline. Maryland's governor says Bush was- in his words- ''right optimistic'' when they spoke today.

David Souter's refusal to say how he'd vote on abortion cases has resulted in at least one senator opposing his nomination to the U-S Supreme Court. California Democrat Alan Cranston says he will oppose the nominee.

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(SEPT. 23) UPI - A Bush administration official is responding to Iraqi charges that the United States is trying to prevent its foreign minister from attending a U-N General Assembly by NOT allowing an Iraqi plane to land in New York. The official, who asked NOT to be named, says the assistant secretary of state for Near East affairs informed the Iraqi Ambassador to Washington that Tariq Aziz would have to come to the United States on a commercial plane. .

The U-S-S Mercy Hospital ship has been described as a combination of the Loveboat, Mash and General Hospital. But the U-S Navy has decreed that love canNOT blossom in the Persian Gulf waters, despite the long maritime stint in the Middle East. The ship's public affairs officer says- ''Fraternization has been strictly discouraged.'' About one-third of Mercy's 960 occupants are female because nurses are required aboard the floating hospital.

The Coast Guard arrested 13 people today and seized a fishing vessel as Greenpeace protesters and a flotilla of commercial fishermen increased efforts to stop a minerals research cruise off Gold Beach, Oregon. One protester chained herself to the research ship Aloha before being arrested. Residents

and several government agencies have expressed concern that mineral mining could harm the area's productive fishery.

Princeton University's all-male Ivy Club broke a 111-year tradition today by accepting membership applications from 21 females. Ivy, the oldest of the university's 12 eating clubs, decided last week to allow women to ''bicker,'' a process similar to rushing for sorority or fraternity membership. The move follows a federal judge's refusal to stay a state Supreme Court order to admit women.

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SANTA ANA, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - TriCare Inc. (NASDAQ:TRCR), a leading occupational-healthcare-services company, announced record operating results for its fiscal-1991 first quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

For the three-month period, the company's net revenue increased 75 percent to $8.4 million from $4.8 million for the same period a year ago. Net income of $548,000 was a 51 percent increase over net income of $362,000 reported in the first quarter of fiscal year 1990.

Earnings per share increased to 14 cents from 13 cents in spite of a 32 percent increase in shares outstanding, which resulted from the company's initial public offering which occurred late in the third quarter of fiscal 1990. These first-quarter results include the operations of the OccuCare acquisition which occurred May 31, 1990.

Announcing the results for the first quarter, Steve Bullock, president and chief executive officer of TriCare, said: ''The foundation for the company's future growth has been established.

''TriCare has broadened its service base with the creation of Veritas, which provides diagnostic and interpreting services, along with the acquisition of OccuCare which is involved in industrial medical treatment. The revenues from these new businesses, combined with the company's existing revenue base, enabled TriCare to have an excellent first quarter.''

Larry Wasserman, chief financial officer of TriCare, said: ''The workers' compensation legislation affecting TriCare's largest subsidiary, First Western was resolved on a more favorable long-term basis than previously expected. In fact, beginning July 1, 1992, reimbursement levels will be determined as they have always been, plus for the first time ever a positive CPI adjustment.''

Bullock added that ''The company will continue to evaluate growth opportunities through geographic expansion, new services and future acquisitions. Each opportunity will further TriCare's progress toward

becoming the leader in the occupational-healthcare-services industry.''

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - ENERCAP Corp. (NASDAQ:ENCP) announced Monday that the board of directors has approved a plan to substantially eliminate the company's debt.

The plan involves an exchange of debt for new shares of the company's common stock and if fully accepted by the debt holders, would reduce debt from its current level of $23.8 million to approximately $2.6 million, increase total shareholders' equity from $1.1 million to approximately $13 million, and result in annual interest savings of approximately $2.6 million.

A large majority of the debt holders have already indicated their willingness to accept the exchange, when made.

Under the proposed restructuring, the company will, subject to shareholder approval, carry out a 1 for 25 reverse-split reducing the current number of outstanding shares from approximately 60.3 million to 2.4 million.

Holders of Series B and D debentures, totalling approximately $4.3 million, will be offered post reverse-split common shares at the ratio of one share for every $6.25 of debenture exchanged. Holders of Series C debentures totalling $8.4 million will also be offered post-reverse split shares at the ratio of $6.25 of debenture to one share.

Series C holders will also receive a one year interest-free installment note equal to 15 percent of the face value of debentures exchanged. The holder of a $400,000 note will also be offered the opportunity to convert to common shares at $6.25 per share. If the proposed restructuring if fully accepted by the debt holders, the company's outstanding shares will increase to approximately 4.8 million.

As a part of the overall restructuring plan, the board of directors has approved a proposal to transfer to Paul N. Temple, chairman of the company, the company's interest in a 2-1/2 percent royalty in certain producing oil and gas properties located off the south-eastern coast of Australia in the Bass Strait (''Bass Strait Royalty'').

In return, Temple will assume the company's bank debt and other advances totalling approximately $4.6 million and the company will cancel approximately $3.6 million of the Series C debentures held by Temple.

In addition, Temple has agreed to exchange a commission agreement valued at $873,500 for 139,760 shares of common stock plus an interest-free note in the amount of $131,025. The transactions with Temple have been unanimously approved by the independent directors of the company and are expected to be completed within the next 30 days.

The board believes implementation of the restructuring will allow the company to take full advantage of its existing reserves and growing production. The current debt level has provided funds to get the company to its current level, but is now a major impediment to its future growth.

Elimination of the debt will place ENERCAP in a considerably improved position to acquire the funding needed to accelerate development of its existing properties and acquire additional reserves through customary equity and/or debt financing.

Information regarding the proposed offers of exchange will be sent to debenture holders in the near future. A special meeting of the company's shareholders will be held before year-end to approve the reverse-split. The restructuring will be effective simultaneously with the reverse-split.

ENERCAP Corp., a Delaware corporation, is engaged in the acquisition and development of heavy oil reserves amenable to an enhanced oil recovery technique known as steamflooding.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - ARIX Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ARIX) announced Monday it has concluded a licensing agreement with HITACHI Ltd. for the license to HITACHI of certain ARIX technology.

Gene Manno, ARIX chairman and chief executive officer, declined to disclose the dollar value of the license agreement but said that it involved fees and royalties which are ''substantial'' to ARIX.

Manno also said that the new agreement represented the first formal step in a growing relationship between ARIX and HITACHI that is expected to include technology transfers in both directions as the relationship develops.

ARIX Computer Corp. designs, manufactures and markets high-performance UNIX-based symmetric multi-processor computer systems. With an installed base of over 6,500 systems worldwide, ARIX has built extensive sales and marketing resources to leverage its price/performance advantages in pursuit of select markets.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Two of the world's leading financial institutions -- BankAmerica Corp. and Barclays Bank -- Monday announced a joint venture agreement that will create one of the largest issuers of travelers cheques in the world.

Under terms of the agreement, BankAmerica will combine its travelers cheque activities with Interpayment Services Ltd., the independent travelers cheque company set up by Barclays last year. BankAmerica will also acquire and equity interest in Interpayment.

Interpayment will expand the current marketing of travelers cheques by both financial institutions, with services available in more than 179 countries throughout the world.

Barclays and BankAmerica each have special areas of strength. Barclays has strong presence in the United Kingdom, Canada and the United States. BankAmerica has strong representation in continental Europe, the Middle East, Latin America, the United States and the rapidly expanding Asia Pacific region.

Interpayment was set up by Barclays in 1989 to create an independent organization devoted to providing the best service in marketing and processing of travelers cheques for financial institutions while not competing directly with them.

In the past, many financial institutions sold travelers cheques bearing the name of one of the major cheque issuers, often a rival financial institution. The only bank name that appears on Interpayment travelers cheques is that of the selling agent.

Barclays is currently the world's largest issuer of Visa travelers cheques. BankAmerica issues Visa, MasterCard and its own brand of travelers cheques. These brands will continue to be offered.

Barclays Bank and BankAmerica Corp. are forming a joint venture through Interpayment to engage in the travelers cheque business around the world.

Interpayment Services Limited was originally organized by Barclays Bank in 1989 to market ''neutral name'' travelers cheques. Today Interpayment will be

the vehicle to market multiple brands and currencies travelers cheques worldwide.

The consummation of the agreement is subject to regulatory approval.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - HarCor Energy Inc. (NASDAQ:HARC) announced an increase to $4 million of its existing $2.7 million credit facility with Dutch-based NMB Postbank Groep n.v.

The $4 million revolving credit facility, which is secured by the company's producing oil and gas properties and by certain of its shares in its Canadian subsidiary, Consolidated HCO Energy Ltd., will convert into a four-year fully amortizable term loan in July 1991.

HarCor Energy also announced the acquisition of interests in certain oil and gas properties in Louisiana for $800,000, which was fully financed through the increased credit facility. The purchase includes royalty interests in four Amoco-operated wells in the Morganza Field with proved reserves of 709,000 MCF of natural gas and 7,000 Bbls of oil.

Minor interests in two additional properties were also included in the purchase.

Francis Roth, president and chief operating officer, stated, ''The increased credit facility has enabled us to purchase royalty interests in Gulf Coast gas reserves which are not burdened by operating costs, and will also provide funds to develop additional reserves on HarCor's existing producing properties.

HarCor Energy is a Los Angeles-based independent oil and gas company with operations in the United States and in Canada through Consolidated HCO Energy Ltd.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated Capital Equities Corp. has certified that ConCap Equities Inc. has been elected successor managing general partner of seven public real estate limited partnerships, in place of Consolidated Capital Equities Corp.

Terry L. Proveaux, vice president of Investor Relations stated, ''We are pleased that the majority of investors in the partnerships have endorsed ConCap as their new general partner. ConCap will focus its attention over the next few months on improving operations at the individual properties which comprise the partnerships.''

ConCap Equities Inc. is affiliated with four regional property management companies: R & B Enterprises, The Hayman Co., Metroplex Inc. and Horn-Barlow Cos. The four companies will collectively manage over 150 residential and commercial properties for ConCap's partnerships.

The seven limited partnerships electing ConCap are: Consolidated Capital Properties, Consolidated Capital Properties II, Consolidated Capital Properties III, Consolidated Capital Properties IV, Consolidated Capital Properties V, Consolidated Capital Properties VI and Consolidated Capital Properties VII.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Software Products International (SPI), a developer of best-selling PC-based business software in the international market, announced it has named Sam Hassabo vice president of sales and marketing, effective immediately.

Hassabo will direct worldwide marketing from the company's San Diego headquarters and will manage SPI's domestic growth.

''Hassabo has both international and domestic experience in VAR marketing, OEM and consumer sales and support,'' said SPI President John Bowne. ''We are pleased to have him aboard during this period of expansion of our domestic sales.''

Hassabo formerly was vice president for three years with Talaris Systems Inc., where he established and managed sales and marketing. In 1984, he was national OEM sales manager for Integrated Software Systems Corp., where he was

responsible for establishing the company's technical support staff, as well as directing the company's OEM sales and tactical marketing.

Prior to that Hassabo served as director of market development for Computer Science Corp., where he was responsible for the company's efforts in penetrating key U.S. markets.

Hassabo received his master's in business administration from the University of Ottawa. He is a graduate of the University of Brussels, where he majored in commercial engineering. Hassabo is a member of the American Management Association and the Aircraft Owners & Pilots Association.

Software Products International, with headquarters in San Diego, was founded in 1979 to develop, publish and market business software for personal computers. The company's flagship product, Open Access, is the leading multi-function PC software package in Europe. The company is privately held with product revenues for fiscal 1989 of more than $18 million.

The company maintains subsidiaries or master distributors in West Germany, Spain, the United Kingdom, France, Sweden, Brazil, Italy, Argentina, Benelux and Australia.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (SEPT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Larry Freeman, chief executive officer of the Freeman Cosmetic Corp., has pledged his support to help the homeless population of Los Angeles with a $25,000 contribution to the city's Union Rescue Mission.

The donation was given in recognition of the mission's on-going Second Century fund-raising campaign. The $25,000 gift designates Freeman Cosmetic Corp. as one of Mayor Tom Bradley's 100 Points of Light -- a designation of corporate leadership.

''Everyday the Union Rescue Mission reaches out to someone who is in desperate need of help. Their positive affect on the homeless community makes it a privilege to be able to contribute,'' said Freeman.

With headquarters in Beverly Hills, Freeman Cosmetic Corp. is an international manufacturer and marketer of quality hair- and skin-care treatments that are never tested on animals.

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ANAHEIM, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - System Industries (ASE:SYI), the leading independent supplier of data management solutions to the DEC market, and Charles River Data Systems of Framingham, Mass., have announced a strategic marketing agreement under which SI will sell Charles River's Relational Accelerator into the DEC market, here at the International Oracle User Group meeting.

The agreement is valued at more than $35 million over the first three years.

Under the agreement, System Industries will provide direct sales, service and support for the Relational Accelerator in the DEC market worldwide. Charles River will continue to enhance and develop the product, and supply technical training and support.

In addition, System Industries disk and tape drives will be incorporated into Relational Accelerator systems.

The Relational Accelerator is a dedicated database engine that has been exclusively designed to enhance the performance of Oracle applications running on DEC VAX/VMS computers. It can provide significant cost savings compared to VAX-only solutions running the Oracle RDBMS.

For System Industries, the Relational Accelerator represents a new direction, but one that fits well with SI's long standing mission to bring high-performance data management solutions to DEC systems users.

Emery further noted that Oracle has been highly successful in the VAX/VMS market with an installed base of more than 14,000 sites accounting for about 40 percent of the VAX RDMS market.

The Relational Accelerator features a real-time, dedicated database engine and disk storage system that transparently processes the back-end Oracle RDBMS kernal, providing up to 25 transactions per second (TPS) as measured by the TP1 benchmark on a variety of VAX and MicroVAX front-end. Response time increases of 2 to 4 times (or more) are typical.

The Relational Accelerator is also used to increase the number of simultaneous Oracle users on resource-bound VAX hardware, and for freeing expensive VAX resources.

The Relational Accelerator is on display this week at International Oracle Users Week being held at the Anaheim Convention Center in booth 834.

Charles River Data Systems, a privately held company founded in 1973, has provided over 10,000 real-time computer systems worldwide for OEM customers. These systems have earned an excellent reputation for real-time event processing for industrial/scientific control and instrumentation, and on-line transaction processing applications. Charles River's new Relational Accelerator provides the industry's only real-time architecture for Oracle acceleration.

System Industries, founded in 1968, is the leading independent supplier of high-performance data management solutions for the Digital Equipment Corp. marketplace worldwide. The company's storage systems are designed for standalone and cluster environments, and integrate the latest disk, tape and software technologies to provide a total storage solution.

The company services all its products through its dedicated customer service organization which consists of a network of fully staffed domestic and international offices capable of delivering 24-hour, 7-day-a-week rapid on-site support.

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DENVER (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Hallwood Energy Partners L.P. (AMEX:HEP) Monday announced a quarterly distribution of 40 cents per depositary unit payable on Nov. 15, 1990, to unitholders of record on Oct. 3, 1990.

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FREMONT, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Focus Information Systems Inc. announced Monday the 2theMax VGA 4000, a high-resolution Super VGA card for IBM compatible personal computers.

The product is available immediately.

The 2theMax VGA 4000 uses the latest Tseng Labs ET4000 graphic chip-set. It offers a flexible memory configuration expandable to one megabyte and 1024 x 768-pixel resolution with up to 256 displayable colors in all standard and

extended graphic modes.

Other features of the 2theMax VGA 4000 include:
-- VGA Fast-BIOS speed-up utility
-- Dot frequency up to 65 MHz in graphic mode; 56 MHz in text mode
-- 70 Hz screen refresh rate
-- Compatible with interlaced and non-interlaced monitors --
software selectable
-- Feature and VESA connectivity
-- Flicker-free operation in all modes
-- Driver support for Microsoft Windows 3.0, XWindows Version 1.2,
Unix interactive versions 1.2 and 5.3.2, and 8514/A emulation
-- Support for up to two simultaneous fonts, font editor and font loader
-- Upgradable video memory; configurable from 256K to one megabyte
-- FCC class B approved

The 2theMax VGA 4000 is accompanied by a one year guarrantee and a seven day turn-around service program. ''If the 2theMax VGA 4000 fails, Focus will either have it fixed in seven working days or deliver the customer a new board '' said Paul Lee, vice president of operations. In addition, Focus provides telephone support for the 2theMax VGA 4000.

The 2theMax VGA 4000 retails between $295 and $395, depending on memory configuration. The list price averages $100 less than similar products from competitive VGA suppliers.

Located in Fremont, Focus Information Systems Inc. is a two year old manufacturer and designer of high-resolution Super VGA cards; and, ISA and EISA 486 motherboards. By using state-of-the-art surface mount technology coupled with strategic supplier relationships, Focus delivers low-cost, high performance products to the distributor, reseller and OEM markets.

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - AST Research Inc. has announced a smaller footprint Premium II 386SX/20 personal computer with a new integrated design.

In addition, the company also lowered the price of each of its Premium 386SX/16 models by $300.

''StoreBoard ranks AST third in SX market share and we expect the new smaller

footprint's superior performance plus the aggressive product line pricing to build our current SX success,'' said Jim Ashbrook, AST senior vice president of marketing. ''With the introduction of the Premium II 386SX/20, we have adjusted the prices of our Premium 386SX/16 to reflect its position within the AST product line.''

With a Power Meter MIPS of 4.246, the Premium II 386SX/20 system's cache design gives it the highest CPU performance in the SX/20 market.

The system is 25 percent faster in a 20 percent smaller chassis than the company's current Premium 386SX/16. The new design integrates Super VGA (800-by-600 pixel resolution) onto the motherboard, which frees an expansion slot. An IDE (Integrated Drive Electronics) connector on the motherboard is combined with an IDE hard drive saving another slot.

Other standard features of the Premium II include a PS/2-compatible mouse port and front-panel power switch. Users may also combine a 1-MB or 4-MB SIMMs for a maximum of 16MB of memory on the CPU card.

All models include Super VGA adapter on the motherboard. Model 3V contains a 3.5-inch, 1.44-MB diskette drive. It is priced at $2,595. Model 5V with a 5.25-inch, 1.2-MB diskette drive is also listed at $2,595.

Model 43V contains a 40-MB hard drive and a 3.5-inch, 1.44-MB diskette drive and retails at $3,195. Model 113V with a 110-MB hard drive and 3.5-inch, 1.44-MB diskette drive is $3,695. The system is immediately available and comes with a one-year warranty. Premium 386SX/16 Pricing

Since its October 1989 introduction, the cache-based AST Premium 386SX/16 has received several domestic and international computer trade awards for performance. The 16-MHz system has five available expansion slots, five half-height drive bays, 16-bit AST-VGA graphics adapter, one serial and one parallel port and 2MB of memory expandable to a maximum of 16MB.

Model 3V with a 3.5-inch diskette drive and Model 5V containing a 5.25-inch diskette drive are priced at $2,295, down from $2,595. Model 45V, which includes a 5.25-inch diskette drive and 40-MB AT-embedded hard drive, is now listed at $2,895, down from $3,195.

Both the Premium 386SX/16 and Premium II 386SX/20 feature the company's upgradable Cupid-32 (Completely Universal Processor, I/O Design) architecture. Cupid-32 provides an easy-to-install growth path to higher-performing microprocessors.

''We see these systems as ideal entries into windowing and multitasking environments,'' Ashbrook said. ''AST's SX family provides general business application users the maximum processing power for their out-of-pocket cost.''

AST Research Inc. is a leading manufacturer of high-performance personal computers, enhancement and data communication products. AST's dual-brand product line, which features the Premium and Bravo families, allows users to choose from a full range of price and performance options. AST is represented in 89 countries and operates 27 subsidiaries and sales offices worldwide.

According to InfoCorp, an industry research firm, AST ranks third in U.S. dealer channel sales of 386-based systems.

AST Research corporate headquarters are located at 16215 Alton Parkway, Box 19658, Irvine, 92713-9658; telephone 714/727-4141, FAX 714/727-9355.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (SEPT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Guy F. Atkinson Co. of California (NASDAQ:ATKN) Monday announced the award of a $202 million contract to a three-company joint venture including its operating unit Guy F. Atkinson Construction Co. for construction of the Deer Island Effluent Outfall Tunnel near Boston.

This is the first major contract awarded in the $3.1 billion Boston Harbor Cleanup.

The project involves construction of a 430-foot-deep shaft on Deer Island and a 24-foot-diameter tunnel through hard rock from the island to a point nine miles offshore. The shaft and tunnel will carry effluent from a new sewage treatment plant to be constructed on the island to a series of diffusers on the seabed.

The joint venture is sponsored by Kiewit Construction Co., which has its headquarters in Omaha, Neb. In addition to Kiewit and Atkinson, the venture includes Kenny Construction Co. of Chicago. The joint venture's client is the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority.

Guy F. Atkinson Co. of California is a diversified corporation whose operations include construction, manufacturing, distribution of industrial pipe, and oil and gas exploration and development.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Valisys Corp., a subsidiary of FMC Corp., has appointed Philip Kreter to the position of vice president of operations.

''Phil will bring to Valisys substantial talent and experience in software development, program management and general management. He will help us manage our products's growth and development,'' said John Clancy, president and chief executive officer of Valisys.

Prior to joining Valisys, Kreter was with McDonnell Douglas Corp.'s TeleCheck Services Inc. where he held the position of chief executive officer. He was responsible for directing the operations of the business over the last three years and running its franchise operations.

Kreter previously held a number of senior executive positions within McDonnell Douglas, including a position with its Manufacturing and Engineering Co. which develops the Unigraphics CAD/CAM product.

Kreter holds a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Washington University.

Valisys Corp. develops Valisys' software, and provides customer support and consulting services. Valisys is a set of interconnectable software modules spanning design engineering, manufacturing engineering, quality assurance, production and inspection.

Valisys modules can be combined to solve a series of manufacturing problems, not previously addressed by CAD/CAM technology, that can be traced to an inability to quickly and accurately specify, communicate and adhere to tolerance specifications. For further information, contact Valisys Corp., 2050 Martin Avenue, Santa Clara, CA 95050. Phone: (408) 562-3700.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Carolco Pictures Inc. (NYSE:CRC) announced Monday that its board of directors has approved an agreement with New Carolco Investments B.V., a company in which Carolco Chairman Mario Kassar has a substantial interest, for the purchase of shares of Carolco common stock held by New Carolco Investments B.V.

As previously disclosed, the Independent Committee of the company's board of directors and Kassar had been negotiating a transaction in which approximately 50 percent of the $90 million aggregate proceeds from the company's sale of series B and series C convertible preferred stock to Canal+ Productions and

Pioneer LDCA would be used to purchase Carolco common stock owned by New Carolco Investments B.V.

This purchase was contemplated by the terms of the Canal+ and Pioneer agreements under which Canal+ and Pioneer puchased preferred stock that pays a yearly dividend of 5 percent and is convertible into Carolco common stock at $18.50 per share.

Under the terms of the agreement announced Monday, Carolco will purchase 3,461,538 shares of common stock from New Carolco Investments B.V. for a total price of $45 million and these shares will be retired or held as treasury stock.

New Carolco Investments B.V. will also receive warrants to acquire 1 million shares of common stock of Carolco at an exercise price of $18.50 per share for a term of seven years.

New Carolco Investments B.V. currently owns approximately 62 percent of the outstanding shares of common stock of Carolco and will own approximately 57 percent of the outstanding shares when the transaction is completed, before taking into account options and warrants.

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DENVER (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Bayly Corp. announced that it has reached agreement with O'Neill Inc. of Santa Cruz, Calif., to sell to O'Neill its license to manufacture sportswear using the O'Neill trademark.

While the transaction is to be effective Oct. 1, 1990, Bayly will continue to produce and distribute O'Neill sportswear until June 1991.

Headquartered in Denver, Bayly Corp. (NASDAQ:BAYL) designs, manufactures and sells young-men's walkshorts under license from Ocean Pacific (Op) Sunwear Ltd.; men's and boy's sportswear under the nationally known brand name of O'Neill; men's and boys' swimwear, walkshorts and pants under the brand name Morey Boogie Bodywear, as well as private-label apparel.

Bayly's customers include major department and specialty stores for its branded products and mass merchandisers and other retailers for its private-label apparel.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - EDS and ASK Computer Systems (ASKI) Monday announced a comprehensive five-year agreement enabling EDS to market ASK products to a broad range of EDS manaufacturing customers. The agreement also allows ASK customers access to EDS system planning and integration services.

This agreement follows the announcement on Sept. 11 that EDS will make a $40 million equity investment in ASK.

Under the agreement, EDS will offer the complete family of ASK management information systems to manufacturers that have engaged EDS for services such as outsourcing and systems integration.

ASK's MANMAN, SIM/400 AND MAXCIM information systems will play critical roles in meeting the computing requirements of EDS manufacturing customers.

EDS will form a Center of Expertise - a group of manufacturing specialists dedicated to ASK products - to support the marketing and delivery of products and services to EDS customers. These specialists will be located around the world.

ASK customers can select a variety of EDS services such as consulting, outsourcing and integration.

Some integration services provided by EDS include application and network integration. Application integration can include quality management, computer-aided manufacturing and electronic data interchange.

EDS offers expertise in integrating networks ranging in size from PC networks to multinational wide area networks or plant-wide networks from the shop floor to corporate.

Among the outsourcing services EDS will offer to ASK customers are data center and network management.

EDS will offer comprehensive consulting services that will enable customers to realize the full benefit of their investment in ASK and EDS products and services.

Consulting services include needs assessment and planning, the use of simulation tools and manufacturing expertise to optimize the plant floor process, simultaneous engineering and engineering data management.

ASK Computer Systems, based in Mountain View, Calif., is the leader in management information systems for manufacturers. It completed its 1990 fiscal year in June with revenues of $207 million. On Sept. 11, 1990, ASK announced an agreement to acquire Ingres Corp. of Alameda, Calif., for $110 million in cash. Ingres, a leader in relational database management and advanced development tools, completed its fiscal year in June with revenues of $157 million.

EDS, based in Dallas, has operations in 27 countries and is the leader in providing information technology services to customers around the world. Stock reflecting EDS' performance is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

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FERNANDINA BEACH, FL (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Stephen Giordanella, president of American Body Armor & Equipment Inc. (NASDAQ:ABAE) announced Monday that the company has received an international order totalling $270,000 for armored vehicles.

The company has chosen not to disclose further information.

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Diceon Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ:DICN) announced Monday several realignment changes to its California production capacity.

The Chatsworth division will close two buildings by calendar year end 1990. This division will realign its business mix from general production to two- to four-week turnaround production and products utilizing ultrafine circuit-board technology.

The Symtron division will continue its consolidation from 13 buildings located in Palo Alto, Redwood City and Mountain View to three buildings in Mountain View. Symtron will continue to design and manufacture computer and

telecommunication backplane assemblies as well as multilayer circuit boards.

The Irvine division will add five- to seven-day quick-turn prototype and small-lot production capability to its already existing mass-production facilities.

In connection with this realignment, by the end of calendar 1990 Diceon intends to reduce its work force by approximately 15 percent.

Diceon expectes these realignment changes to result in a one-time charge to 1990 earnings of approximately $5 million.

L. Ronald Hoover, Diceon's president, said these changes are in line with Diceon's plan to better align its resources to meet the needs of the marketplace.

Diceon is a leading producer of multilayer circuit boards and backplane assemblies for electronic OEM customers, with 1989 sales of $118 million.

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BENTONVILLE, AR (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Associates of Wal-Mart Stores Inc. (NYSE/PSE:WMT) will be presenting checks to local environmental organizations serving their immediate communities.

This donation coincides with the company's 28th anniversary celebrations in October.

''Wal-Mart strives to be a good corporate citizen as well as demonstrate its commitment to improve the environment,'' said Bill Fields, executive vice president, merchandise and sales. ''Wal-Mart associates are citizen-volunteers who often go to great lengths to make a statement to their customers that they are helping to improve the quality of life.''

Each Wal-Mart store, SAM'S Club, Wal-Mart's Hypermart USA and Distribution Center across the company's 32-state trade territory is making this donation to a non-profit environmental organization serving its immediate community, resulting in a total donation of $1.3 million.

Wal-Mart is a national discount retail chain which operates 1,470 Wal-Mart stores, 136 SAM'S Clubs, four Wal-Mart's Hypermart USA units and 17 Distribution Centers across its 32-state trade territory.

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PALO ALTO, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Collagen Corp. announced Monday the promotion of seven senior executives, following approval at the company's recent board meeting.

''The promotions reflect the commitment and dedication of these managers who have made significant contributions to Collagen's success over the years,'' said Howard Palefsky, the company's president and chief executive officer.

The management changes are also a consequence of the planned separation of Collagen's research and development subsidiary, Celtrix Laboratories, as an independent company, and the future assumption by Bruce Pharriss, Ph.D., who has been senior vice president for scientific affairs at Collagen, of the position of chairman and chief executive officer of Celtrix Laboratories Inc., when the separation of the two companies is complete.

Executives being promoted at Collagen Corp. are as follows:

Rees M. Orland, who joined Collagen in 1987, promoted from vice president to senior vice president of Collagen Corp. Orland retains his title of president Collagen Biomedical. Prior to joining Collagen, Orland worked for Helene Curtis as president and corporate vice president, professional products;

James T. McKinley, who joined Collagen Corp. in 1987 as chief financial officer, promoted from vice president to senior vice president. McKinley previously worked for CooperVision Inc. of Palo Alto, Calif., as vice president and treasurer;

David J. Foster, who joined Collagen in 1984, promoted from director to vice president of finance and adminstration. Foster previously worked at Brown, Vence & Associates;

Frank A. Delustro, who joined Collagen in 1983, promoted from program director to vice president of scientific affairs. Delustro came to Collagen from the Medical University of South Carolina, where he was an assistant professor;

Ross R. Erickson, who joined Collagen in 1987, promoted from director of regulatory affairs to vice president of regulatory affairs and quality assurance. Erickson was previously employed by Applied Immune Sciences as director of regulatory affairs and quality assurance;

William R. Mullen, who joined Collagen in 1989, promoted from director of collagen manufacturing to vice president of operations. Mullen was previously employed as director of operations at Barnes-Hind Pharmaceuticals;

James G. Smith, who joined Collagen in 1982, promoted from director to vice president of North American sales. Smith was previously national sales manager for Squibb/Novo Inc.

Collagen Corp. is a scientific and commercial leader in applying the science of cell biology to healing human tissue.

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OKLAHOMA CITY (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The Phoenix Resource Cos. Inc. (PSE:PHN) Monday announced the addition of two new members to its board of directors.

Peter G. Sachs and Sanjeev Mehra, both of Goldman, Sachs & Co. were elected to fill two vacancies on the board of directors. Goldman, Sachs & Co. is the holder of approximately 51 percent of the company's outstanding common stock.

Sachs has been a partner with Goldman, Sachs & Co. since 1980. He served as vice president of their Investment Banking Division from 1972 until 1980. Prior to joining Goldman, Sachs & Co. in 1969, Sachs operated his own business from 1963 to 1969. He is a graduate of New York University Graduate School of Business Administration and Harvard College.

Mehra has been vice president of the Investment Banking Division of The Merchant Bank. Prior to joining Goldman, Sachs & Co.'s Global Finance Department in 1986, Mehra was with McKinsey & Company Inc. He is a graduate of Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration and Harvard University.

Other members of the board are Galal P. Doss, Francis L. Durand, E. Murray Gullatt (Chairman), George D. Lawrence Jr., Joseph A. Pardo and Rex A. Sebastian.

The Phoenix Resource Cos. Inc. is an independent oil and gas company headquartered in Oklahoma City, whose principal assets are located in the Western Desert of Egypt.

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INDIANAPOLIS (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Truevision Inc. and MacroMind Inc. Monday announced an agreement to include a copy of MacroMind Director 2.0 with each Truevision NuVista+ videographics board.

The combined package, called the NuVista+ Video Production Kit, turns the Apple Macintosh II platform into a professional, broadcast-quality video production solution.

The bundling agreement coincides with the first product shipments of the Truevision NuVista+ and is automatic for all NuVista+ orders shipped to U.S. authorized Truevision dealers between Sept. 24 and Dec. 31, 1990.

The NuVista Video Production Kit includes MacroMind Director 2.0, any NuVista+ configuration, and a special video and diskette demonstrating the video production capabilities of the package. Pricing ranges from $2,995 to $4,795, based on the memory configuration of the NuVista+.

''Truevision and MacroMind each bring an important piece of technology to desktop vido production on the Macintosh,'' said Cathleen Asch, president of Truevision.

''With Director, the preeminent animation and mulitmedia tool for the Macintosh, MacroMind is leading the way in defining multimedia. The NuVista+ represents Truevision's third generation of video circuitry, providing true broadcast-quality signal along with new keying capabilities otherwise found only in video studios.

''Together, Director 2.0 and the NuVista+ are a professional video production solution for the Macintosh.''

''Video output extends the reach of the Macintosh to a virtually limitless audience,'' said Marc Canter, chairman and founder of MacroMind. ''Truevision pioneered video on the desktop five years ago, and continues to innovate in linking the worlds of video and computing.

''The MacroMind/Truevision combination is the easiest way to turn Director presentations into professional video productions capable of reaching anyone with a VCR or television.''

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Washington Federal Savings and Loan Association (OTC: WFSL) Monday declared a quarterly cash dividend of 24 cents per share payable Oct. 19 to stockholders of record Oct. 9, 1990.

This is the Association's thirty-first consecutive cash dividend.

Washington Federal Savings and Loan Association, with headquarters in Seattle, has 67 branch offices in Washington, Idaho and Oregon. The Oregon branches are doing business as Freedom Federal Savings.

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DENVER (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Gerrity Oil & Gas Corp. (NASDAQ:GOIL) of Denver reported a net loss of $73,000 and cash flow from operations of $1,544,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 on total revenues of $1,981,000.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, Gerrity reported net income of $6,000 and cash flow from operations of $2,901,000 on total revenues of $4,474,000. The second quarter results compare with a net income of $268,000 and cash flow from operations of $3,401,000 (exclusive of drilling funds received from an outside investor) on revenues of $3,381,000 during the same period in 1989.

The second quarter 1990 results are consistent with the company's projections. Gerrity had postponed its 1990 drilling program pending the completion of its initial public offering and therefore no new wells were completed during the second quarter of 1990, while during the same period in 1989, Gerrity completed 26 new wells.

Gerrity began its new drilling program in August after the successful completion of its $16 million offering. The company has accelerated that drilling program to take advantage of the higher oil prices currently prevailing in the market.

The company presently has six rigs running in the Denver-Julesburg Basin, in Weld County, Colo. Five of the rigs are drilling Codell wells and one rig is recompleting in uphole zones. Each rig can drill a Codell well in approximately one week. The company has successfully drilled 20 Codell wells since it began drilling on Aug. 15.

By the beginning of October the company plans to spud its first shallow Niobrara well in the Raton Basin of Colorado where the company owns 25,147 net acres.

Gerrity has also recently entered into an agreement to participate in its first horizontal Niobrara well in the Silo Field of Wyoming. The company owns 2,350 net acres and with this first well will earn the right to participate in approximately an additional 7,680 acres in the Silo field.

Gerrity Oil & Gas Corp. is primarily engaged in the drilling and operating of low risk development wells in the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains. Gerrity trades on NASDAQ under the symbol GOIL.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Maynard Oil Co. (NASDAQ:MOIL) Monday announced that its board of directors has unanimously authorized the company to repurchase, from time to time, at management's discretion, up to 250,000 shares of its common stock in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions during the next 12 months at the then prevailing market prices.

As of September 24, the company had 5,363,860 shares outstanding.

The company has retained Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc., as exclusive broker to make purchases on the open market. Purchases will be made out of the company's own cash resources. Shares purchased will be held in the corporate treasury and will be used for general corporate purposes.

Maynard Oil Co. is engaged in the exploration, development and production of oil and natural gas in the United States. In addition, the company's wholly-owned subsidiary, BDK Drilling Co., provides contract drilling services in south Texas. The company's common stock is traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol MOIL.

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PLEASANTON, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - MissionSix Development Co. Inc. has been formed by a group of veteran marketing and technical managers from the magnetic media and software duplication industries.

The purpose of the new company is to develop, manufacture and market a complete line of systems and equipment for various applications within the software duplication industry. MissionSix products will be marketed through distributors worldwide under the trade name of Xpress.

The first products to be marketed will be a series of diskette labelers in both automatic and manual models. These will be quickly followed by what the company describes as a ''unique'' line of diskette autoloaders and duplicators (standalones) that will be publicly introduced at the Comdex Show in Las Vegas in November.

In describing the new products as ''unique,'' MissionSix President Bill Bollinger said, ''We prefer not to describe their uniqueness in detail just yet, but rather choose to reserve that information until the introduction at Comdex.

''We will state, however, that the Xpress products offer versatility and flexibility never before seen in the industry and will deliver fully automated duplicating, printing and packaging in one complete system at a very affordable price.''

Bollinger also stated that at the same time the products are introduced in November, they will also be in full production.

The complete line of Xpress products will be supported by East Coast and European training, maintenance and service centers that MissionSix has already established.

The key founding members of MissionSix include Bollinger, president; Les Radebold, vice president of Sales; and directors Dan Costas, Tony Cosentino and Les Sandelance.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Adobe Systems Inc. and Seiko Epson Corp. announced Monday that they have signed an agreement giving Seiko Epson licensing rights to Adobe's PostScript language interpreter.

Seiko Epson will incorporate PostScript software into laser printer products currently under development. The target market for the products, expected to ship during the first calendar quarter of 1991, is the desktop laser printer market.

''We're very pleased to become partners with an industry leader like Seiko Epson in developing high-quality, high-performance printing products,'' said Dr. Charles Geschke, president and chief operating officer, Adobe Systems.

''Seiko Epson's distribution network of more than 7,000 dealers is one of the industry's most effective, and the company is very experienced in selling quality products into the PC market.''

Hideo Furihata, general manager of the Printer Division of Seiko Epson, said: ''Incorporating industry standards such as Adobe's PostScript software into our products, assisted with a high performance controller, will make them compatible with existing hardware and software, allowing us to help our customers worldwide improve true productivity in a business environment.

''Our design strategy is to capture customers' needs and provide higher performance and expected Epson quality to our customers in worldwide markets.''

Seiko Epson (president, Tsuneya Nakamura), headquartered in Nagano-Ken, Japan, was founded in 1985. The company designs, manufactures and markets computer products such as desktop/laptop computers, printers, semi-conductors, LCDs, watches and more. Epson has over 20,000 employees in locations worldwide.

The Printer Division's product line includes Epson serial impact printers, inkjet printers, laser printers and even desktop scanners. Seiko Epson is an industry leader in the serial printer segment and has the largest installed base of low-end serial impact printers. Revenues for 1989 were $3.5 billion.

Adobe Systems Inc., founded in 1982 by John Warnock and Charles Geschke, is headquartered in Mountain View. Adobe is the developer of PostScript, the industry-standard page description language for electronic printing and publishing, and Display PostScript, a device-independent graphics software component for computer displays.

In addition, the company develops and markets a line of application software products. Revenues for 1989 were over $120 million.

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BOISE, Idaho (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Micron Technology Inc. Monday reported net sales of $333.3 million and net income of $4.9 million for fiscal year 1990, which ended Aug. 30, 1990.

These figures compare to net sales of $446.4 million and net income of $106.1

million for fiscal year 1989. Earnings per share were $0.13 (fully diluted) for fiscal year 1990 compared to $2.85 (fully diluted) for fiscal year 1989.

Net sales for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 were $105.3 million, and net income was $3.0 million, compared to net sales of $103.0 million and net income of $16.0 million for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1989. Earnings per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 were $0.08 (fully diluted), compared to earnings per share of $0.42 (fully diluted) for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1989.

Gordon C. Smith, president and chief executive officer of J.R. Simplot Co., has been elected to Micron's board of directors. Smith is also vice president of Simplot Financial Corp.

Micron Technology Inc., based in Boise, manufactures and markets DRAMs, SRAMs, VRAMs and other semiconductor components and board-level products. The company's common stock is traded on the over the counter market and is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol of MCRN.

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SANTA ANA, Calif. (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Alpha Microsystems (NASDAQ:ALMI) Monday reported a net loss for the second quarter ended Aug. 26, 1990, of $1.17 million, or 41 cents per share, on net sales of $13.55 million.

During the same quarter of the prior year, the company reported a profit of $113,000, or 4 cents per share, on net sales of $13,069,000.

For the six months ended Aug. 26, 1990, Alpha Microsystems reported a net loss of $3,642,000, or $1.29 per share, on net sales of $27.06 million. This compares with net income of $692,000, or 22 cents per share, on net sales of $27,156,000 in the same period last year.

Robert B. Hitchcock, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated: ''Alpha Microsystems' second-quarter sales and earnings were below management's expectations. The general softness of the computer industry continued to impact our traditional business.

''An organizational realignment during the quarter continues the integration of the prior year's acquisitions of Rexon Business Machines and Fujitsu Microsystems of America.

''Unit volumes have increased but price pressures have influenced the ongoing reduced-margin contribution. Service revenue has continued to increase and we hope new product introductions will provide an expanded base in the future.''

With headquarters in Santa Ana, Alpha Microsystems, along with its RBM and AMS Products Groups, designs, manufactures, markets and services multiuser, multitasking computer hardware and software products.

Operating software environments are provided for Alpha Microsystems' AMOS and RBM's RECAP proprietary, multiuser business-oriented operating systems, as well as industry-standard software, including XENIX, PICK OA and R83, Thoroughbred Basic and MS-DOS.

Distributed worldwide, the company's family of high-performance systems provides cost-effective multiuser computer solutions for a wide range of businesses.

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AVENEL, N.J. (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Concord Camera Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: LENS) Monday announced that through its wholly- owned subsidiary, Concord Camera Canada Corp. it has purchased from Coopers & Lybrand Limited, as receiver and manager of the assets of Optex Corporation of Ontario, Canada, certain inventory of cameras and photographic products, a substantial portion of which bears the Argus and Safari tradenames and related packaging.

Concord also acquired the worldwide rights to the Safari trademarks and tradenames and the remaining worldwide rights to the Argus trademarks and tradenames for cameras, photographic equipment, binoculars and accessories. Concord had previously acquired the rights to the Argus trademark in the Western Hemisphere, except for Canada.

Argus and Safari cameras are currently sold in Canada through direct mail and specialty markets by such major purchasers as Consumers Distributors, K Mart, Sears and Woolco.

Commenting on the announcement, Jack C. Benun, Chairman, CEO and President of Concord Camera Corp. stated, ''Based on current orders, the Company expects to sell a majority of the inventory purchased from Coopers & Lybrand by the end of the first quarter ending September 30, 1990. The acquisition of the rights to both the Argus and Safari trademarks and tradenames significantly enhances Concord's ability to expand its customer base and sales volume. Concord will initiate a sales program offering cameras bearing these newly acquired marks.''

Concord Camera Corp. is principally engaged in the manufacture and sale of inexpensive 35 millimeter and 110 cartridge cameras which it manufactures and assembles in the People's Republic of China under the Concord trademark as

well as under private label.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Newbridge Networks Corp., a leading vendor of T1 networking products, has certified Make Systems Inc.'s Netool decision support system for use with Newbridge network devices.

In May 1990, Newbridge Networks Corp. (NASDAQ:NNCXF) and Make Systems announced an agreement to jointly develop Newbridge device-specific capabilities for Netool. Since then, the two companies have worked together to confirm Netool's complete functionality with Newbridge's MainStreet multiplexers operating under control of the 4602 network management system (Release 2.0).

Because Netool Release 2.3 provides accurate modeling of Newbridge MainStreet multiplexers, it will allow network managers to proactively plan and manage network changes as well as evaluate cost vs. reliability trade-offs.

Netool allows complete simulation of Newbridge networks under failure conditions or demand variations, including call routing and network synchronization. Network managers can now non-intrusively review ''what if'' scenarios as well as test implementation plans.

Use of Netool helps network managers improve network reliability and reduce monthly transmission costs, according to Howard.

Netool assists with routing design of the Newbridge Control Packet Switching System (CPSS). Netool can also model Newbridge's Automatic Network Synchronization (ANS) clocking scheme to insure clocking is provided to all nodes under various failure conditions.

The strategic partnership between Make Systems and Newbridge Networks Corp. includes a cooperative marketing agreement, whereby Newbridge will market Netool with the Newbridge device library under the name Network Architect. A data extraction utility provides communication between Netool and the 4602 network management system.

Newbridge Networks Corp. is an international company which specializes in the design, manufacture and marketing of voice and data communications equipment for global networks. Offices and manufacturing facilities are located in the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom.

Headquartered in Mountain View, Make Systems is the leading software product

company creating advanced network management applications for enterprise-wide networks. Make Systems supports other device libraries, including those for Network Equipment Technologies and Timeplex Inc.

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ALAMEDA, CALIF. (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Servio Corp. Monday announced that Paul Butterworth, Ingres' chief scientist and vice president, has joined Servio Corp. as vice president, engineering.

Servio develops and markets GemStone, an object database management system. Butterworth will head up Servio's research and development group reporting to Servio's president and chief executive officer, Donal O'Shea.

O'Shea commented, ''Servio is committed to continuing to provide our customers with the best in object database management systems. Paul's 18 years of experience and his reputation for delivering the best in relational databases underscores that commitment.''

Paul Butterworth, 39, spent the past 10 years with Ingres Corp. His achievements include responsibility for the overall architecture and design of INGRES Versions 5 and 6 as well as INGRES' WINDOWS/4GL. Butterworth received his bachelor of science and master of science degrees in information and computer sciences from the University of California, Irvine.

''The merger of database management and object technology is a powerful new approach to information management. I look forward to working with Servio's exceptional engineers, in continuing to deliver the database technology of the future,'' added Butterworth.

Servio Corp. is the worldwide leader in installed object database management systems. The company pioneered the commercial availability of object databases with the shipment of GemStone in 1987.

Today, GemStone is a full-featured, multithreaded, client/server object database management system in use by over 130 commercial and government sites around the world. In addition to GemStone, Servio offers visual programming tools, bridges to relational databases, and interfaces to expert systems. In addition to its software, Servio offers a wide range of consulting, support and educational services to provide customers with complete solutions.

Founded in 1982, Servio is headquartered in Alameda, and employs over 70 people. Servio has sales, service and support offices in Beaverton, Ore., Boston, Washington and Alameda.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Accolade Monday announced the release of the classic Milton Bradley board game ''Stratego'' for the line of color and black-and-white Macintosh computers.

''Stratego: The Computer Game'' joins the company's recently released ''Ishido: The Way of Stones'' to its line-up of strategy games.

''Stratego: The Computer Game'' retains the traditional game board, game pieces and rules from the classic board game, including Tournament Rules, and adds custom game boards and piece sets, a library of game set-ups, multiple levels of difficulty and digitized sound effects.

''Stratego: The Computer Game'' is scheduled for release later this month for IBM PC, Tandy and compatible computers. The game carries a suggested retail price of $49.95.

In ''Stratego: The Computer Game'' one player competes with the computer. As in the traditional game, each opponent is provided with a 40-piece army made up of officers ranked in importance according to their position in addition to one spy, six bombs and one flag. Each opponent secretly sets up one side of the game board or battlefield, planning a defense and an offense.

The objective is simple. Whichever side captures the opponent's flag first wins the game.

Single game play or a 5-game campaign are available in ''Stratego: The Computer Game,'' and each game can be played on five different levels of difficulty, thereby giving the player an opponent best suited to his/her own play skills.

Additionally, strategists can add some variety to the game by choosing one of the graphically stunning and colorful custom battlefields in the game, or one of the custom playing piece sets.

While the number of custom boards available will vary depending on the kind of computer being used, examples include a digitized remake of the original game board, a marble board and a modernized ivory board.

Further, for players who want to save time or gain some advice on how to set up their pieces, they can pick from an inventory of dozens of existing game set-ups or create and save their own for later use. And finally, to create a sense of realism in the game, ''Stratego: The Computer Game'' is accompanied by realistic battlefield sound effects and victorious music.

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MENLO PARK, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - lnformix Software Inc. (NASDAQ:IFMX) Monday announced that Hyatt Hotels & Resorts used the Informix-OnLine database management system and Informix's 4GL application development tools to build its new worldwide reservation system.

The UNIX-based system is designed to support 1,500 users, provide 24 hour a day/7 day a week access to hotel room information and manage 50,000 room in more than 160 hotels worldwide.

The new reservation system is the result of a collaborative development venture between Informix, AT&T Computer Systems and Hyatt. Running on AT&T's System 7000 RISC-based symmetric multiprocessor computers, the system is multiple gigabytes in size, contains millions of records and replaces a mainframe-based application Hyatt has been using since 1982.

The new reservation system is designed to provide sub-second local response time for most transactions.

Working with Informix's Professional Services group, Hyatt has developed a number of new database applications.

In addition to the new reservation system, Hyatt has developed a Hotel Management Reporting System implemented in 80 hotels that automatically transfers hotel room point-of-sale information to a central accounting system. Hyatt senior executives use the application to view information about the entire hotel organization for strategic planning.

The application is currently standalone with plans to implement it in a distributed network environment.

Hyatt's Markting System is an application developed to store, track and monitor marketing activity. This application has been in use for more than one year and supports 150 users.

Hyatt's Macintosh-based Executive Information System was developed using

HyperScript graphical programming language in Informix's Wingz graphic spreadsheet. The HyperScript application provides Hyatt senior executives with an intuitive framework in which to perform high-level statistical analysis and produce reports.

Informix Software Inc. is a leading supplier of information management software providing solutions from the database through the desktop.

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CAMARILLO, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Vitesse Semiconductor Corp. announced today its new H-GaAs (High-integration Gallium Arsenide) digital IC process that is capable of reaching integration levels of over 1 million high performance GaAs transistors on a single chip.

This third generation process, designated H-GaAs III, will allow high performance system solutions such as telecom switching units and microprocessors to be implemented at integration levels far in excess of next generation ECL and comparable to state of the art CMOS and BiCMOS technologies.

H-GaAs III is a 0.6 micron-scaled version of the successful H-GaAs II process currently in production. The basic transistor structure has been improved to achieve loaded gate delays of less than 100 ps while dissipating less than 200 microwatts at 1 GHz clock rates. At comparable densities, high performance BiCMOS processes achieve gate delays of only 250-400 ps and cannot support clock rates above the 100 to 150 MHz range.

Vitesse's H-GaAs III process achieves these unprecedented speed, power and integration levels by utilizing proven silicon MOS manufacturing techniques to combine high integration with the high performance inherent in Gallium Arsenide. Refractory metal self-aligned gate transistors and four layers of standard aluminum interconnect are the cornerstones of the H-GaAs III process.

Unlike other high performance process technologies in which each new generation is developed from scratch, H-GaAs III is simply a scaled version of H-GaAs II.

Each generation of Vitesse's H-GaAs process technology has utilized refractory

metal, self-aligned gate transistors and standard aluminum interconnect to yield high speed, low power, and a high level of integration. This means that Vitesse leverages the outstanding yields of the H-GaAs II process to facilitate reliable volume manufacturing of H-GaAs III.

H-GaAs is far less complex to manufacture than ECL or BiCMOS. It takes only 13 mask levels to process a four layer metal H-GaAs III wafer. This leads to advantages not only in reliable volume manufacturing, but also in the price the customer pays for performance.

Vitesse Semiconductor Corp. is the world's leading supplier of digital gallium arsenide integrated circuits. The company was founded in 1984 to develop, manufacture and market cost effective VLSI GaAs ICs.

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MILPITAS, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Plus Development Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Quantum Corp. (NASDAQ:QNTM), Monday introduced Hardcard II XL 50 and Hardcard II XL 105 -- the world's fastest 3.5-inch personal computer disk drives.

The new generation of personal disk drives-on-a-card provide users of vintage 286- and 386-based personal computers up to nine times the performance, at the same price, as conventional disk drives installed in most PCs today.

This performance improvement is achieved through sustained transfer rates of as high as 1.4 megabyte (MB) per second. A transfer rate is the rate at which the hard drive sends and receives information from the disk controller.

No other 3.5-inch disk drive with up to 120 MB capacity can match the speed and performance of the new Hardcard II XLs, according to Dataquest, a San Jose Calif., based computer industry market research firm.

Already ranked as the industry's most reliable hard disk manufacturer by the Sept. 25, 1990, PC Magazine reliability and service survey of 20,000 hard disk users, Plus sets a new standard for disk drive performance and value with suggested retail prices for Hardcard II XL 50 and Hardcard II XL 105 of $579 and $999, respectively.

Dealers briefed on Hardcard II XL in advance, project street prices at or below $399 and $699, respectively. Hardcard II XL drives will be available through retail channels on Oct. 15.

The same advanced technology and proven reliability that have established Plus Development as a leader in customer satisfaction are an integral part of Hardcard II XL.

Plus Development is one of the leading suppliers of mass storage solutions for a wide range of personal computer systems. The company's original Hardcard product line was first introduced in 1985 and pioneered the hard-disk-on-a-card technology.

Based in Milpitas, Plus Development is a wholly owned subsidiary of Quantum Corp., a leading manufacturer of hard disk drives for personal computers and workstations for the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) marketplace.

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HAMILTON, BERMUDA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - NOREX AMERICA, INC. (AMEX Symbol: NXA) Monday reported results for the fiscal year ended June 30.

Revenues from continuing operations for the year ended June 30, increased to $37,602,000 as compared to $606,984 for fiscal 1989.

Income from continuing operations for the year increased to $3,220,555, or $0.75 per share, as compared to $479,084, or $0.11 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

Income from discontinued operations, related to the sale, in May 1989, of Bermuda Star Line, Inc., was $405,700, or $0.09 per share, in fiscal 1990 and $13,026,129, or $2.96 per share, in fiscal 1989.

Net income for the year ended June 30, was $3,626,255, or $0.84 per share, compared to $13,505,213, or $3.07 per share. The results for fiscal 1989 included $11,935,000 of extraordinary gain on the sale of the cruise business.

Kristian Siem, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of NOREX AMERICA, INC., stated, ''Fiscal 1990 was the first full year of new activities in shipping and offshore rig investments following the departure from the previous cruise line business. Our strong results for fiscal 1990 primarily consist of revenues and income from these businesses, reaffirming our decision to dispose of our cruise operation and pursue operational and financial investments in the shipping and offshore industries.''

NOREX AMERICA, INC. is engaged in ownership of debt for offshore drilling rigs and tanker chartering. The company is pursuing development opportunities in shipping and offshore marine activities.

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MILPITAS, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Qume Corp. Monday announced that it has been advised by David S. Lee that the members of his buying group have decided that New Qume will proceed with its acquisition of Qume only if Qume is able to meet all conditions to closing and the closing occurs by Sept. 30, 1990, as required by the merger agreement, and that the buying group currently intends to cause New Qume to terminate the merger agreement if the closing does not occur on or before Sept. 30, 1990.

One of these conditions is that there shall not have occured and be continuing a decline of at least 50% in the Taiwan Stock Exchange Index for the date of the merger agreement through the closing. Such a decline has occured and was continuing as of the close of trading in Taipei on Saturday, Sept. 22, 1990.

The company intends to proceed with its stockholders meeting scheduled for Sept. 27, 1990, and if the merger is approved by the stockholder, to prepare for closing so that the merger can occur in the event the Taiwan stock market has recovered sufficiently to satisfy the closing condition or in the event the buying group changes its decision.

The company also announced that, based on preliminary numbers, it expects to report revenues of approximately $53 million, an operating loss of approximately $1.1 million and a net loss of approximately $1.5 million for the fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Qume Corp. (NASDAQ:QUME) manufactures and markets page and daisywheel printers display products and computer supplies and accessories. In addition, the company's Data Technology Division offers disk drive controller boards, chip sets and high-capacity flexible disk drives and subsystems. Qume's products are marketed worldwide through a variety of distribution channels and OEMs.

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SAN ANTONIO, TX (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Builders Express Inc. (NASDAQ Symbols: BLDXA, BLDXW, BLDXU) Monday announced the successful grand opening of its first Builders Express building supply warehouse in Longview, Texas.

The stand-alone warehouse is located on the Marshall Pike in Longview. It occupies 75,000 square feet of interior space and an additional 5,000 square feet of outside space for the store's lawn and garden center.

Sean F. Lee, president and chief executive officer of Builders Express Inc. said, ''We are extremely pleased by the tremendous turnout for the grand opening of our first store. We believe this store will be very successful because it offers Longview and surrounding communitites, a wide selection of quality, brandname products at discount prices. The store opened on schedule and we are confident that our second store in Clarkesville, Tennessee will also open on schedule in late November.''

Lee continued, ''We are confident that this will be the first of many successful grand openings for Builders Express building supply warehouses across the country. We are currently in negotiations to lease a site for our third building supply warehouse in Topeka, Kansas which we expect to conclude shortly.''

Builders Express, Inc. was organized in January 1990 for the purpose of opening warehouse-type retail home improvement supply stores providing a wide selection of quality, brandname products at discount prices mainly to homeowners and specialty contractors.

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BOULDER, CO (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Johnson Publishing Co. (JP) announced Monday that it has won the Gold Award - first place - in the paperback book cover category of the 1990 Gold Ink Awards national printing competition.

The award-winning book cover is that of ''Roadside Guide to Rocky Mountain National Park,'' which was published by Johnson Books. In addition, JP received a Pewter Award - honorable mention - in the calendar category for its efforts on a 1990 calendar which was produced for Hewlett-Packard.

Judges' criteria for all categories were ''excellence in printing and design production.'' JP President Jerry Johnson said, ''JP is proud to be nationally recognized as an industry leader in product quality. We have been dedicated to meeting customers' expectations for forty-four years, and this award is an acknowledgement of that committment.''

Johnson Publishing provides printing and related services to computer software and hardware firms, publishers, associations, and educational institutions. Key markets are Colorado, Northern California, Utah, and the Pacific Northwest. Primary products include one-, two-, and four-color manuals, books directories, catalogs, and promotional literature.

The Gold Ink Awards competition is an annual event sponsored by Philadelphia-based North American Publishing Co., publisher of several graphic arts trade magazines including Publishing and Production Executive, and Printing Impressions.

Johnson Publishing was established by Ray and Ada Johnson in Boulder in 1946 and is one of the oldest family-owned enterprises in the city. The JL Printing division was established in Loveland in 1962 as a satellite facility. The Johnson Books division was established in 1979 and publishes trade books, primarily in the natural history, archaeology, guidebook and travel categories.

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DAYTON, OH (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. Monday announced a strategic partnership, worth more than $5 million, to provide nationwide maintenance for Sun workstations.

NCR's Customer Services Division signed a multi-year contract with Polaris Service Inc., of Hudson, Mass., an independent computer maintenance organization which specializes in repairing UNIX workstations and peripheral equipment manufactured by Sun Microsystems of Mountain View, Calif.

''NCR is the nation's premier provider of multi-vendor service and support,'' said Gary Burnett, vice president of NCR's Customer Services Division. ''This agreement will equip NCR's nationwide service organization to offer third-party maintenance and support contracts to Sun workstation users.''

Under the agreement, Polaris will provide circuit board level repair, spare parts and technical support to NCR service technicians as well as train NCR field maintenance personnel to diagnose and perform on-site maintenance. It will also provide telephone ''help desk'' support for customers.

''The combination of NCR's well-trained, UNIX-based field force and Polaris' expertise with Sun workstations gives customers a service option not currently available,'' said Thomas D. Willson, president of Polaris Service.

''This agreement illustrates NCR's commitment to form partnerships with

third-party vendors that enable us to expand our customer base for multi-vendor service,'' Burnett added.

Servicing the technical workstation marketplace, which includes Sun workstations, is expected to be a lucrative market for the coming decade. A survey by International Data Corp. of Framingham, Mass., predicts the workstation hardware maintenance market will hit $329 million by 1994, up from $73 million in 1989. Service and maintenance support for Sun and other UNIX-based workstations and other products will be provided by NCR's 5,000 field and software engineers in 400 locations throughout the United States.

Polaris specializes in delivering repair, maintenance and training support services for Sun hardware. The firm maintains one of the largest depot repair and training facilities for Sun workstations in the United States.

NCR, based in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - SynOptics Communications Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SNPX) Monday became the industry's first vendor to integrate multiprotocol routing into the intelligent wiring center, furthering the company's strategy of providing complete connectivity, internetworking and network management solutions on a single platform.

The LattisNet Model 3386 and Model 3384 Local Ethernet Router modules were developed in cooperation with cisco Systems and are the result of a technology agreement signed by the two companies last April. The new modules fit into SynOptics' System 300 intelligent wiring center and are managed by the company's LattisNet Netowrk Management system.

Decentralized routing provides greater flexibility in adding incremental capacity to networks and in making changes to the network. Decentralized routing also gives customers increased ability to segment the network into smaller, secured subnetworks that can be isolated from the main network for security or disaster recovery.

Through LattisNet's Expanded View, network managers anywhere on the network can view the status of the routers' LED displays and monitor routing traffic levels. In addition, the router modules include a Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) agent, allowing them to be managed from any SNMP management

station or Telnet station.

The two router modules are identical except for their front panel Ethernet port. The Model 3383 offers two Ethernet connections: one through the System 3000 concentrator backplane and one through an attachment unit interface (AUI) on the module's front panel.

The Model 3384 has a fiber optic inter-repeater link (FOIRL) port in place of the AUI connector. Both can filter frames at the Ethernet line speed of 15,000 packets per second and can forward at the rate of 5,000 packets per second.

The modules simultaneously route multiple protocols including IP, DECnet XNS, IPX and Appletalk and are completely compatible with other cisco routers installed on the network. Using routing protocols such as cisco's IGRP, the modules can exchange messages with other SynOptics and cisco routers on the network to dynamically build routing tables that direct packets across the least costly path.

The LattisNet Model 3383 and Model 3384 Local Ethernet Routers join SynOptics' growing family of modular LattisNet products that reside in the System 3000 concentrator and provide customers with a flexible and modular solution to meet their networking needs while providing a path to accommodate future requirements.

The LattisNet Model 3383 Ethernet Local Router with the AUI port is priced at $6,395, plus a $100 right to use license. The LattisNet Model 3384-ST with the FOIRL port is priced at $6,795 plus the right to use license. Both products will be available in December 1990 through SynOptic's direct sales force and authorized resellers worldwide.

SynOptics Communications Inc. designs, manufactures and markets local area networking products based on its Network Utility Architecture, a value-added product strategy that incorporates network connectivity, internetworking and network management solutions into an integrated networking system.

Revenue of $77.3 million was reported for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989. Earnings for the like period were $9.4 million, or $1.22 per share. The company is headquartered at 501 E. Middlefield Road, Mountain View, Calif., 94043. Telephone 415/960-1100.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Compressions Labs Inc. (CLI), (NASDAQ/NMS:CLIX), Monday announced The Boeing Co. of Seattle has selected the CLI Rembrandt 11/06 codec for its new low-bandwidth videoconferencing network.

In the first phase of the new contract, Boeing will install 10 Rembrandt 11/06 codecs integrated with CLI's Gallery 125 videoconferencing room systems. Boeing will also install an 8-port CLI Multipoint Control Unit. The dollar value of the contract was not announced.

The new videoconferencing equipment will be used by the Boeing Commercial Airplane Group for a variety of applications related to the development of a new generation of aircraft.

Within the company, the CLI equipment will allow the Commercial Airplane Group's engineering and manufacturing teams in the Seattle area to meet with groups at Boeing facilities in Wichita, Kan., and Philadelphia. Boeing will also be able to conference with external organizations such as suppliers, customers and teaming partners.

The low-bandwidth capability of the CLI equipment will make videoconferencing a flexible and cost-effective communications medium for the Commercial Airplane Group. The CLI codecs will compress the video signals to a fraction of their original size so that they can be carried over low bit-rate transmission services such as ISDN networks or switched 56 services, while maintaining very high picture quality.

The modular Gallery Room Systems integrate these codecs into compact, easy-to-use units that also include video monitors, cameras, a graphics display unit and audio system. CLI's Multipoint Control Unit will allow up to eight different sites to be easily connected in the same videoconference.

CLI is the world's largest supplier of full-motion, color videoconferencing systems for use by business, government and education.

CLI provides complete videoconferencing solutions, including room systems, codecs and multipoint units. Considered an effective communications tool for innovative organizations around the world, videoconferencing has emerged as a strategic resource for competing successfully in the 1990s.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (SEPT. 24) BIZWIRE - SynOptics Communiations Inc. (NASDAQ: SNPX) Monday announced that it will demonstrate its Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI) technology at INTEROP 90, Oct. 9-12, in San Jose, Calif.

SynOptics will showcase its FDDI technology in two separate multivendor FDDI interoperability test networks at the show.

At the heart of the SynOptics FDDI demonstration is its LattisNet System 3000 intelligent wiring center, which now supports Ethernet, Token Ring and FDDI on a single platform. Through SynOptics' multiple bus architecture, the System 3000 can implement all three network access methods simultaneously.

Among the FDDI prototypes being demonstrated at the show are SynOptics' FDDI host modules for both fiber and twisted pair as well as FDDI network management modules.

This technology demonstration is a follow up to SynOptics' announcement in June of this year that it had developed technology to run the high speed FDDI networking protocol over IBM Type 1 shielded twisted pair (STP) at distances of at least 100 meters.

SynOptics' twisted pair FDDI solution is expected to be particularly attractive at installations where IBM cable plants (Type 1 STP) have already been installed and can be re-utilized.

''Our technology will allow users to run 100 Mbps FDDI on their existing IBM cable plants. This virtually eliminates the cost of installing new horizontal cable that was necessary to implement FDDI to the desktop,'' said Nick Schommer, FDDI product marketing manager at SynOptics.

The first of the two demonstrations is designed to illustrate twisted pair FDDI interoperability and includes SynOptics and its strategic partners. The vendors, who were also announced today, recently formed an interoperability test group to hasten the delivery of FDDI technology and reduce the cost of bringing FDDI to the desktop.

A second network, the FDDI Solutions Showcase Demonstration Group sponsored by Interop Inc., features 37 vendors including SynOptics in a show-wide display of FDDI interoperability. The network spans the San Jose Convention and Cultural Center and imitates the type of networking environment usually found in a Fortune 500 environment.

SynOptics' FDDI Host modules and backplanes will be available in the first quarter of 1991. FDDI Network Management modules will be available in the second quarter of 1991.

SynOptics Communications Inc. designs, manufactures and markets local area networking products based on its Network Utility Architecture, a value-added product strategy that incorporates network connectivity, internetworking and network management solutions into an integrated networking system.

Revenue of $77.3 million was reported for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989. Earnings for the period were $9.4 million, or $1.22 per share. The company is headquartered at 501 East Middlefield Road, Mountain View, 94043, 415/960-1100.

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NORTHBROOK, Ill.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--General Binding Corporation (NASDAQ:GBND) and VeloBind, Incorporated (NASDAQ:VBND) Monday announced that they have entered into a definitive merger agreement under which General Binding will acquire VeloBind for an aggregate consideration of $50 million, or $9.77 per VeloBind share.

Headquartered in Fremont, Calif., VeloBind manufactures and distributes a proprietary line of office binding systems. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, VeloBind had revenues of $21.6 million.

Under the terms of the agreement, which is subject to approval by VeloBind shareholders and the necessary regulatory authorities, GBC would acquire all of VeloBind's outstanding shares and options to purchase shares. The transaction is expected to be completed on or about December 28, 1990.

According to GBC President and CEO Rudolph Grua, ''VeloBind's well accepted binding products provide another important dimension to the broad range of binding systems offered by GBC. In addition, the VeloBind binding systems, which are sold worldwide, utilize proprietary supplies, fitting well with GBC's emphasis on developing and marketing machines which consume Company-patented supplies.''

Commenting on the agreement, Carl Swenson, President and CEO of VeloBind, Inc. said, ''the business combination represents an excellent fit between two outstanding companies and will result in improved service to our customers.''

GBC is an international manufacturer and marketer of business machines and related supplies. The Company's binding, laminating, and paper shredding systems are used worldwide in the business, commercial, education and

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - SynOptics Communications Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SNPX) Monday announced that it has signed twisted pair FDDI technology agreements with CMC, Interphase, Network Peripherals and Silicon Graphics.

Under the terms of the agreements, the companies will conduct joint twisted pair FDDI interoperability testing using SynOptics' common twisted pair FDDI transceiver circuit. In addition, the companies expect that products will result from the testing process.

This effort will dramatically reduce the overall cost of bringing 100 Megabits per second (Mb/s) FDDI to the desktop by replacing optical connections with lower-cost twisted pair interfaces. Additionally, customers can use existing shielded twisted pair wire -- eliminating the need to recable with fiber.

The first public demonstration of FDDI interoperability in a multivendor environment with shielded twisted pair cabling will be conducted at INTEROP 90 in San Jose, Calif., Oct. 8-12.

The activities of the group complement American National Standards Institute (ANSI) FDDI standards efforts, which are also aimed at ensuring market acceptance through interoperability and in which all companies involved are active participants.

All of the companies are actively working toward developing a standard for the low-cost physical medium dependent (PMD) portion of the ANSI standard and once adopted will support it fully.

Products resulting from these agreements can be expected within the next six to 12 months.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Compaq Computer Corp. (NYSE:CPQ) today announced the availability of its complete line of personal computers in Hungary.

Four dealers - Microsystem, Montana, Ring and Swisscad - have been authorized to sell COMPAQ personal computers in the Hungarian market. ''Our entry into the Hungarian market is a response to the growing demand for our product line in that country'', said Zelimir Ilic, managing director, Compaq East Europe Group.

''These newly authorized COMPAQ computer dealers offer an in-depth knowledge in the areas of connectivity, computer- aided design and engineering and in a variety of business solutions, assuring high quality support of the Hungarian customer base'', Ilic continued.

The Authorized COMPAQ Computer Dealers in Hungary will be supported from Compaq Computer GmbH international headquarters in Munich, West Germany. The presence of Compaq in Hungary is part of a continuing international expansion program. During 1990, Compaq opened wholly owned subsidiaries in New Zealand, Austria, Finland and Hong Kong.

Compaq also entered the Eastern European market in 1990 by authorizing dealers in Yugoslavia and East Germany. Compaq 'perates 18 wholly owned international subsidiaries and has manufacturing facilities in Houston, Scotland and Singapore.

Compaq Computer Corp. is a world leader in the manufacture of PC systems, and desktop, portable and laptop personal computers. With the authorization of dealers in Hungary, COMPAQ products are sold in 65 countries through a network of more than 3,000 Authorized COMPAQ Computer Dealers.

Founded in 1982, Compaq has consistently set business and industry growth records. This year, Compaq achieved ''Global Fortune 500'' status, as ranked (438) in Fortune Magazine's 1990 listing of the world's largest companies.

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WILMINGTON, MA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Kevlin Microwave Corp. (NASDAQ National Market System:KVLM) Monday announced results for the first quarter ended Aug. 31.

Net sales decreased 15 percent to $2,047,104 from $2,411,861 in the first quarter last year. Net income for the first quarter was $91,788, or $.03 per share, compared to net income of $90,098, or $.03 per share last year. The increase in net income on lower sales was due to the cost reductions resulting from the realignment of the company's organization in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990.

In addition, net income for the first quarter of the prior fiscal year included non-recurring expenses in connection with the completion of the Company's move to new headquarters.

Kevlin received new orders totalling $3,020,000 during the first quarter, an increase of 56 percent from the same period last year. The backlog at August 31, 1990 of $6,787,000 was 19 percent below the level of one year ago but 17 percent above the backlog at the end of the prior quarter. According to Ernest W. Lattanzi, chairman of Kevlin, ''A portion of the orders booked in our first quarter were anticipated in the fourth quarter of our 1990 fiscal year. However, our level of bid activity remains strong, usually an indicator of future orders. Over the past three months we have intensified our quest for a proper acquisition.

''We have also entered into discussions with potential European joint venture partners. Based on our current backlog and increasing proposal activity, we look forward to profitable operations for the remainder of the fiscal year."

Kevlin Microwave Corporation is a leading supplier of microwave rotary couplers and high frequency connectors and components which are sold to the major manufacturers of modern radar and communications systems.

Kevlin Microwave Corporation
Financial Highlights
(unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended August 31,	
	1990	1989
Net Sales	$2,047,104	$2,411,861
Net Income	$ 91,788	$ 90,098

Net Income per Share	$.03	$.03
Weighted Average Common Equivalent Shares	2,630,384	2,612,181

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WESTBOROUGH, MA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Epoch Systems Monday announced the Epoch-1 Enterprise Storage Server, the industry's first server to enable the automatic migration of data between rewritable optical jukeboxes and WORM optical jukeboxes.

The Enterprise expands the hierarchy of storage for users that prefer to store medium-term data on flexible, rewritable optical media and long-term archival data on lower cost, permanent WORM optical media.

The Enterprise is a dedicated NFS storage server that users a hierarchical storage architecture to transparently integrate high capacity, low cost rewritable and WORM optical disks, high speed magnetic disks, file server technology and storage management software. The Enterprise can be configured as one or more fiel systems supporting 360GB to 1000GB of on-line storage.

The base configuration includes three 760MB magnetic disks, a 2.3GB 8mm cartridge tape drive, 16MB of memory, a 5-1/4'' 30GB rewritable optical disk library unit and a 12'' 330GB WORM optical disk library unit. Expansion options include an additional rewritable or Worm unit, up to four additional magnetic disks and an additional 8MB of memory.

At 360GB, the Enterprise is the largest capacity file server on the market. The first system is currently running at the UNiversity of California, San Diego to store seismic data from around the world.

The Epoch-1 provides central data storage, automated file management and automated backup for networks requiring on-line access to high-capacity disk storage over an Ethernet network. It is especially well suited for data intensive seismic, engineering, scientific and commercial environments running applications such as MCAD, ECAD, CASE, electronic publishing, imaging, engineering and scientific visualization, and computer-generated animation.

The Epoch-1 Enterprise starts at $360,000 and is available 90 days after receipt of order.

Epoch Systems Inc. is a leading supplier of network storage management systems for users of high performance workstations in business, education and government. The company headquartered in Westborough, Mass. with sales and support offices located throughout the United States, Canada, Europe and Asia.

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VAN NUYS, CA (SEPT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Martin Lawrence Limited Editions Inc. (NASDAQ:MLLE) Monday announced that the company's application for listing on the New York Stock Exchange has been approved.

The company anticipates that its shares will become listed on the exchange in early October 1990.

Martin Lawrence Limited Editions is an integrated publisher, retailer and wholesaler of limited edition serigraphs, lithogrphs, sculpture and other works of fine art created by internationally renowned and emerging artists. The company also purchases, for resale, original works of art as well as limited edition works by recognized artists not published by the company.

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WEST WARICK, RI (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Astro-Med Inc. (NASDAQ:ALOT) announced Monday that a Los Angeles federal judge has granted summary judgement in favor of Astro-Med against Western Graphtec on all eight of Western Graphtec's claims against Astro-Med.

No claims for damages remain pending against the Rhode Island based company. The Court let stand three claims by Western Graphtec, but ruled that Western Graphtec was not entitled to any damages on any of its claims.

The dismissed counterclaims arose from the lawsuit filed in 1988 by Astro-Med against Western Graphtec for violations of the Buy American Act and the Lanham Act. Astro-Med alleges that Western Graphtec, in unlawfully concealing the Japanese origin of its products, gained an unfair advantage over Astro-Med in bidding on government contracts and that these acts by Western Graphtec resulted in monetary damages to Astro-Med.

In commenting on the court's action, Albert W. Ondis, Astro-Med chairman,

stated: ''Now that the counterclaims of Western Graphtec, which we have always considered frivolous, have been dismissed and the air has cleared, all that remains for trial are Astro-Med's claims against Western Graphtec. We are confident the jury will find that Astro-Med was severely damaged by Western Graphtec's intentional violations of the Buy American Act and by other unfair competition practices of Western Graphtec. We expect the trial will take place this fall.

Astro-Med Inc. is a leading manufacturer of high performance specialty printers employed in the aerospace, industrial, medical, scientific, and educational fields.

Western Graphtec of Irvine, Calif. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Graphtec, a Japanese corporation whose stock trades on the Tokyo exchange.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The Immune Response Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:IMNR) has begun a Food and Drug Administration-approved multicenter Phase II/III clinical trial using its HIV Immunotherapeutic, according to Dennis J. Carlo, Ph.D., executive vice president and chief scientific officer.

The company's HIV Immunotherapeutic has been in Phase I/II human clinical trials since 1987. The Phase II/III trial will be conducted at nine clinical sites nationwide and is sponsored by a joint venture between the company and Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. (formerly Rorer Group Inc.).

This trial is designed to provide the data necessary to support a Produce License Application and to secure FDA approval for commercial marketing of the HIV Immunotherapeutic. Following a three-month screening process, 100 HIV-infected patients with high levels of T4 cells will be tested for one year.

The double-blind, placebo-controlled trial will study the effect of treatment with the HIV Immunotherapeutic on the level of virus in the blood.

The Immune Response Corp. is a biopharmaceutical company engaged in the development of proprietary products for the treatment of HIV infection, which leads to AIDS, and for the treatment of certain autoimmune diseases, specifically rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis and insulin-dependent diabetes.

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STOCKHOLM, SWEEDEN (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson will introduce certain organizational changes at the beginning of 1991 to strengthen its local companies in the corporation's most important markets.

The major local companies will be given coordinated market responsibility for Ericsson's total product line. The companies will report directly to Ericsson's corporate executive committee, which will be active in operations.

Ericsson will continue to be divided into six Business Areas with strengthened coordination of technical development and international product supply.

''The changes mean that Ericsson will come closer to the customer, with more flexibility and better time-to-market,'' said Lars Ramqvist, Ericsson's chief executive officer.

''We are doing well at present - very well. But we know that the market changes will accelerate. The ambition is that with a controlled and carefully managed implementation of the new organization we will continue to lead in development, and at the same time profitably expand our market shares,'' said Ramqvist.

The new organization will go into effect on Janaury 1, 1991. The corporate executive committee will consist of Lars Ramqvist and executive vice presidents Carl Wilhelm Ros and Jan Stenberg.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications, recognized for its advanced systems and products for wired and mobile communications in public and private networks.

Ericsson ADRs are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ''ERICY.''

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CHELSEA, MA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Town & Country Corp. announced Monday that there have been no recent developments within the company or its business and that it knows of no reason for the current volume and price activity in its common stock.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Molecular Biosystems Inc. (NYSE:MB) Monday announced that it has licensed the worldwide exclusive rights to a unique method for analyzing medical ultrasound and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) signals.

The technology was developed by and licensed from Enelf Inc., a San Diego company formed by joint venture between Enpex Corp. and Elf-Aquitane of France.

The technique licensed by MBI is based on wavelet theory, a method for analyzing transient signals. The current standard of signal analysis is Fourier transformation, which is limited in biomedical applications such as ultrasound and MRI because it cannot analyze short-time signals whose exact shape is unknown.

The wavelet technology developed at Enelf addresses this limitation by using complex mathematical functions concentrated in time and frequency. Enelf has received pioneering U.S. and worldwide patents on its inventions in the field of wavelet signal analysis.

MBI will be focusing its attention on wavelet analysis specifically relating to its work with contrast agents it is developing for ultrasound and MRI. The company's current research in this area is aimed at identifying the specific acoustic ''signature'' of Albunex, MBI's proprietary ultrasound contrast agent.

By understanding this unique property, it may be possible, using wavelet theory, to ''tune'' an imaging system to a specific acoustic ''signature,'' thus enhancing sensitivity of a medical imaging method.

''Our investment in wavelet theory strengthens our long-term commitment to medical imaging,'' said Kenneth J. Widder, M.D., MBI's chairman and chief executive officer. ''This technology is now being widely investigated for defense applications and, we feel, may be a valuable tool in advancing our understanding of the utility of contrast agents in medical imaging.''

Molecular Biosystems Inc., located in San Diego, is a leading biomedical firm developing proprietary medical products that diagnose human disease, including Albunex, an injectable agent for use in ultrasound imaging. In addition, it is a leading developer of direct, non-radioactively labeled genetic probe products.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - S&P CreditWire 9/24/90--Glaxo Holdings PLC's $750 million U.S. commercial paper program is rated 'A-1'-plus by S&P.

The 'A-1'-plus rating on the company's U.K. sterling commercial paper program is affirmed.

The ratings reflect the company's superior operating and financial performance in recent years, as well as anticipated financial success in the future. Sales for the fiscal year ended June 30 increased 11 pc over the prior year, with pretax profits up by 13.3 pc. Both categories were negatively impacted by exchange rate developments.

U.K.-based Glaxo is a leading international producer of ethical pharmaceuticals, whose principal product, Zantac, is the world's largest selling prescription medicine. An antiulcerant, Zantac has been the primary force behind the company's steep sales growth since its market introduction in 1981.

The drug accounts for about half of consolidated sales, and is patent protected in major markets until at least 1995. The company is heavily dependent on Zantac for earnings.

Glaxo also has a number of other successful drugs, including the antiasthmatic Ventolin and the antibiotic Fortum. Several promising new drugs are in the process of being launched, or are in the development pipeline.

The firm's financial performance has been exceptional, as demonstrated by high profitability and low leverage. The emerging ethical portfolio and the strong financial profile mitigate the risk normally associated with companies that have a large portion of sales derived from a single product, S&P said.

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RICHARDSON, TX (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - CONVEX Computer Corp. (NYSE: CNX) Monday announced a three-year, $20 million OEM agreement with E-Systems Inc., Dallas, in which CONVEX will supply supercomputer equipment and services to E-Systems for a revolutionary computer data mass storage system.

E-Systems modular automated storage system (EMASS) is a computer data storage and retrieval system that will introduce a new era of technology in the storage of massive amounts of computer data. EMASS is composed of a CONVEX supercomputer server with magnetic disks, a robotically-controlled magnetic tape storage subsystem and an operations console.

Under the terms of the OEM agreement, CONVEX will not only provide hardware and system software, but will also develop special interfaces that will be used with the ER90 storage device.

In addition to the C2 supercomputers that will act as EMASS file servers, the CONVEX Integrated Tape Controller (ITC) will provide the hardware connection to support hierarchical storing and retrieving of data by transferring it between the server's main memory and tape drives.

Users can retrieve a file from EMASS by using standard network protocols such as File Transfer Protocol (FTP) and Network File System (NFS). Transparent to the user, a file can be automatically retrieved through migration software developed by E-Systems and CONVEX.

EMASS magnetic tape storage subsystem uses 19mm D2 digital recorders and cassettes. E-Systems and AMPEX Corp., Redwood City, Calif., are converting a helical scan digital recorder, currently produced by AMPEX for the television broadcast industry, into a computer data storage peripheral/device.

The ER90 storage device will be able to store 75 gigabytes of user data on a single medium-sized cassette. A gigabyte is equal to one billion bytes of computer data.

E-Systems will use the ER90 in its robotically-controlled EMASS which is capable of storing more than 7,000 terabytes of information. One terabyte is equal to one trillion bytes of data or a stack of 9-track tapes as high as the Washington Monument.

The 7,000 terabytes of information can be stored on less than 100,000 D2 helical scan cassettes, or the equivalent of 50 million 9-track computer tapes. The ER90 storage devices and the first two models of EMASS are scheduled for delivery in early 1992.

An example of how EMASS will impact computer data storage is clearly demonstrated in the petroleum industry. According to Fred Sedgwick, CONVEX's petroleum marketing manager, a 3-D seismic survey generates thousands of tapes which are archived. Major energy companies retain this data for many years on millions of tapes stored in climate-controlled warehouses.

E-Systems is a major worldwide developer and producer of electronic and data systems for the government, defense contractors and private industry.

CONVEX Computer Corp., a leading supplier of supercomputers worldwide, was founded in 1982 to design, manufacture, market and service high-performance systems. The company markets its products primarily to scientific engineering and technical users throughout the world for a wide variety of applications in such areas as geophysical research, computational chemistry, computer-aided

engineering, image processing, aerospace simulations and molecular biology.

CONVEX, which is listed on the NYSE with the symbol CNX, has sold nearly 700 systems in 33 countries. The installed base now represents nearly half a billion dollars of cumulative revenues from more than 400 customers worldwide. The systems are sold and serviced through direct sales and an extensive distribution network.

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LOWELL, MASS. (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - TIL Systems Monday announced XPERT/Office on the Go, a half-card product that allows laptop and portable computer users to access X.25 packet-switched networks over regular telephone lines anywhere in the world.

XPERT/Office on the Go connects laptops and portables to X.25 networks using the emerging CCITT X.32 standard.

XPERT/Office on the Go includes a PC-based X.25 half-card that integrates a V.22bis (2400 bps) modem. The V.22bis is a full-duplex two-wire modem standardized for use in the general switched telephone network. The communications adapter is especially suited to laptop or portable PCs.

XPERT/Office on the Go's basic package includes VT100 and XPERT File Transfer emulations. Optional emulation software available includes: 3270 DSI/DSP, 3270 SNA, 3780 FTP, AND VT220. XPERT/AIM, an application programmer's interface which allows easy integration of the product into user applications, is also available.

TIL also incorporates the latest X.32 technology into the XPERT/Office on the Go. X.32 is an emerging standard that addresses the growing need for synchronous dial-up access to X.25 public and private packet-switched networks through conventional telephone lines.

Standard features of XPERT/Office on the Go include: menu configuration and operation; on-line help; expanded memory support, terminate-and-stay-resident (TSR) operation, which allows users to run applications while communication links are maintained and screens are updated; a hot key to DOS; full color screen display capabilities; communications status lines; and compatibility with current communications standards.

Available security features include: end-to-end Data Encryption Standards (DES), which prevent unauthorized interception during data transmission; and a Time of Day Clock that limits file access to specific time and dates.

XPERT/Office on the Go is available immediately, with a suggested list price of $1350.

TIL, with corporate headquarters in Toronto, Ontario, and U.S. headquarters in Lowell, Mass., is a significant supplier of X.25 network access hardware and software for high-performance, low-cost data communications. The company's products are installed in over 220 cities in 14 countries.

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LOWELL, MA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - TIL Systems Monday announced a PC-based multi-function network access product that meets the changing data communication needs of businesses.

XPERT/Multicom is an entry-level product that provides multi-protocol PADs, X.25 concentration, an X.25 NetBIOS LAN Gateway, and emulation functions on one PC card.

XPERT/Multicom consists of a four-port card, which is installed in any IBM-PC or compatible, and software modules which allow users to customize the unit to their specific network requirements. The product provides entry-level multi-protocol PAD and enhanced X.25 Gateway Adapter capabilities, and supports a full range of protocols including X.25, Bisynchronous, Asynchronous and SNA SDLC.

In addition, the product has a built-in Security Key that authorizes the specific functions and features purchased by the customer.

The software modules allow for easy and economical reconfigurations of the product. Current XPERT/Multicom functions include: X.25 packet-switch; 3270 Bisynchronous Host PAD; 3270 SNA Host PAD; 3270 SNA Terminal PAD; X.3, X.28, X.29 Asynchronous Host PAD; Asynchronous Terminal Server; XPERT Terminal Server; and XPERT File Transfer.

XPERT/Multicom is targeted at companies in a wide range of market segments where network access to mainframe computers is required. This includes customers that use LANs, PADs, protocol converters, low-end switches, and/or concentrators.

For a typical customer, XPERT/Multicom might be initially installed as an X.25

Gateway. As user needs change, software modules can be added to provide multi-protocol PAD, protocol converter, or X.25 concentrator capabilities -- all on the same PC platform. The product's multi-protocol support, port flexibility and X.25 performance allows TIL to offer an excellent low-end network access product to the marketplace.

XPERT/Multicom is available immediately, with a suggested retail price of $2,600.

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PEABODY, MASS. (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - PictureTel Corp. Monday announced the signing of a $1.4 million order for more than 30 systems with Halliburton Co., one of the world's largest diversified oil field services, engineering and construction firms.

It is believed to be the largest order ever for videoconferencing systems in a single purchase.

Under the agreement, PictureTel will supply videoconferencing systems to link employees at Halliburton facilities throughout the United States and overseas. The systems will also be linked with Halliburton's customers worldwide. The systems are expected to accelerate decision making and problem resolution, reduce travel time and expense, improve staff productivity and customer communications, and lower costs for training while improving quality.

''Part of the reason Halliburton decided to standardize on PictureTel systems is that many of our customers are also PictureTel customers,'' said Thomas M. Woods, director of information services at the Halliburton Information Services Center in Arlington, Texas.

Halliburton Co. is one of the world's largest diversified oil field services, engineering and construction companies. Founded in 1919 and headquartered in Dallas, Halliburton and its subsidiary companies provide oil field services and products, engineering and construction services, and property and casualty insurance services. Halliburton operates in more than 100 countries serving

the energy industry.

PictureTel Corp. (NASDAQ:PCTL), headquartered in Peabody, Mass., develops, manufactures and markets software-upgradeable visual telecommunications products for use with public or private digital networks. PictureTel videoconferencing systems make possible two-way video calls with convenience, economy and full-motion video quality.

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SHIREMANSTOWN, PA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Rite Aid Corporation (NYSE,PSE: RAD), Monday announced increased sales and earnings for the second quarter ended Sept. 1.

Corporate revenues for the 13 weeks advanced 7.4 percent to $826,151,000 from a year-earlier $768,892,000. Income from continuing operations for the period rose 10.4 percent to $21,518,000 or 52 cents per share from $19,496,000 or 47 cents per share for the same period last year.

Year to date, sales climbed 8.7 percent to $1,656,692,000 from $1,523,480,000 last year. Income from continuing operations was $46,724,000 or $1.13 per share as compared to $42,842,000 or $1.03 per share.

Net income for the 13-week period last year was $20,268,000 and included income from discontinued operations of $772,000 or 2 cents per share. Year-to-date net income was $44,637,000 for the prior year, including income from discontinued operations of $1,795,000 or 5 cents per share. The income from discontinued operations consisted of equity earnings of Super Rite Foods Inc., which was disposed of on Sept. 20, 1989.

Revenues in the drugstore segment grew 6.8 percent to $780,755,000 for the quarter. Net income advanced 10.2 percent to $20,439,000 from $18,539,000. For the 26 weeks, sales increased 8.1 percent to $1,566,484,000 and net income advanced 8.4 percent to $43,718,000 compared to $40,340,000 for the year-earlier period.

Same-store sales increased 6.5 percent for the quarter and 7 percent for the 26 weeks. The division ended the quarter with 2,378 drugstores, a net gain of

23 for the quarter and 26 since the start of the new year.

Sales in the retail auto parts division grew 28.8 percent to $19,402,000 from $15,067,000 for the same quarter last year. Net income rose sharply to $464,000, compared to a year-earlier $153,000. Year-to-date sales advanced 24.4 percent to $37,055,000 from $29,777,000. Net income increased to $1,118,000 from $483,000 a year earlier. The division ended the quarter with 77 stores. Encore Books

Sales at the retail book segment climbed 5 percent for the 13 weeks to $8,967,000 from $8,543,000. Net income declined to $168,000 from a year-earlier $204,000.

For the 26 weeks, sales grew 6.1 percent to $16,733,000 from $15,771,000. Net income was $225,000 compared to $249,000. Encore opened eight new stores during the period, bringing its current count to 59. Concord Custom Cleaners

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LONDON (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Cadbury Schweppes plc (NASDAQ: CADBY) Monday announced that its in discussion with Brau und Brunnen AG of Dortmund regarding the possible formation of a joint-venture company with Apollinaris Brunnen AG, which comprises the mineral water interests of Brau und Brunnen.

The proposed joint-venture company would take responsibility for all aspects of the existing Cadbury Schweppes soft drinks business and the existing Apollinaris business in both Germany and Austria, although ownership of the brands involved would remain outside the agreement.

It is not anticipated that the establishment of a joint-venture company would involve a significant funding requirement.

The Apollinaris business comprises seven significant mineral water brands with total sales in 1989 of around 300 million liters, led by the premium priced Apollinaris, the second largest brand by volume of mineral water in Germany. It has four bottling plants and approximately 700 employees in Germany. The Cadbury Schweppes soft drinks business in Germany and Austria, which sold 60 million liters in 1989, has two bottling plants and approximately 200 employees.

The discussions between Cadbury Schweppes and Brau und Brunnen are expected to continue for several months.

Cadbury Schweppes plc is the largest British-owned confectionery and soft

drinks company. Cadbury Schweppes ADS are traded on NASDAQ. The ticker symbol is CADBY. One ADS equals 10 ordinary shares

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LONDON (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Cadbury Schweppes plc announced Monday the following management change subsequent to the decision by Neville Bain to accept the post of Chief Executive of Coats Viyella plc. He will be leaving the Group at the end of October 1990.

David Jinks, 55, will be appointed Group Finance Director, and a member of the Main Board of Cadbury Schweppes plc, effective October 27, 1990. His career has included key appointments within the Finance function in different parts of the Group. He joined the Schweppes business in 1962, becoming Finance Director in 1974 after a period as acting Finance Director for our Overseas operations.

In 1976 he was appointed Deputy Managing Director and Finance Director of Schweppes Ltd. He is currently Director of Finance (Operations and Control), a key role within Group Finance to which he was appointed in 1986.

Neville Bain has made an outstanding contribution to the development of Cadbury Schweppes during the past 27 years, during which his career has included top management positions in different countries, and has influenced all parts of the Group. The Board, and his colleagues, wish him well in his new role.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Giant Pacific Petroleum Inc.

(''Giant Pacific'') and Patriot Energy Co. Ltd. (''Patriot'') announce that they have signed a letter of intent under which Giant Pacific will make a share exchange offer to acquire no less than 90 percent of the outstanding shares of Patriot.

A takeover bid circular will be filed with the respective regulatory agencies and mailed by Nov. 1, 1990 with the closing to take place no later than Dec. 31, 1990.

Giant Pacific trades on the VSE and NASDAQ. Its Principal assets are oil and gas producing properties in Texas. Patriot is an active junior oil and gas exploration company trading on the ASE and has holdings in Western Canada with oil production in Saskatchewan.

The resulting company will have annual gross revenues in excess of $1,000,000 and have its business offices in Calgary. The company will continue to expand in North America by acquisition and development of oil and gas properties.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Tescorp Inc. (NASDAQ:TESCC) Monday announced its acquisition of substantially all of the assets of Electro-Technical Laboratories Inc. (ETL), a Houston-based manufacturer of geophones and geophone cases.

ETL's sales for the most recent 12 months were about $600,000. Customers outside the geophysical industry generated most of these revenues, purchasing equipment for commercial and military applications.

''Although a relatively small factor in the geophysical geophone business, ETL is an important acquisition for Tescorp,'' stated Tescorp President C. Robert Bunch. ''ETL gives us a toehold in an important segment of the business in which we currently do not compete. We believe that we can build on ELT's base of commercial and military business by expanding its sales to the geophysical industry.''

Tescorp currently manufactures and sells cable and cable connectors to the geophysical industry through its Tescorp Seismic Products division. The company also manufactures and distributes oil and gas production equipment. For the three months ended June 30, Tescorp's revenues were $6,165,000 and net income was $382,000, or 7 cents per share.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

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ROCHESTER, NY (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Microtel Franchise and Development Corp. (NASDAQ:MCTL) Monday announced that it has signed a letter of intent to sell the Master Franchise rights for Microtel Canada to Essex Partners Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Essex Investment Group Inc.,

Essex, a Rochester-based financial services company, is a major Microtel franchisee in the United States.

Under the terms of the proposal, Microtel will receive a Master Franchise fee of $350,000 representing payment for the first 35 franchises. Microtel will also receive a royalty of room revenues. A final agreement is expected to be signed in 90 days.

Jerald P. Eichelberger, executive vice president of Essex Partners Inc. said, ''Our enthusiasm about Microtel is being supported by experience.'' The Buffalo, N.Y., unit, which opened on July 19 of this year has been running at an occupancy rate of about 95 percent and many of the guests are Canadian.

Further, the Henrietta, N.Y., Microtel, which is one year old, is running at over 90 percent occupancy since opening.

Eichelberger explained his firm's reasons for deciding to pursue franchise opportunities in Canada, ''Initial research indicates that the Canadian traveler mirrors his American counterpart who is seeking dependable, superior accomodations for the best price possible.

The letter of intent also calls for Essex to obtain the right of first refusal to become the master franchiser for Germany and the United Kingdom.

Microtel is actively selling franchises for its budget lodging concept throughout the United States and marketing it internationally via the sale of master franchises.

As of Aug. 30, 1990 the company had 26 units sold and commitments for 13 more. Microtel's goal is to have 400-500 units in the next four to five years. The company has been publicy traded since April 1989.

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LONDON (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - British Gas (NYSE:BRG) Monday announced it has published, after discussion with Ofgas, new contract gas pricing schedules which remove the incentive for customers to waste gas to qualify for cheaper rates.

Since the new schedules are designed to be financially neutral to British Gas, no general increase in prices has been required - although some customers will pay more and others will pay less.

Firm contract gas customers - those who use more than 25,000 therms a year - will now have the first 25,000 therms a year consumed at each of their premises charged at 40.96 pence per therm.

This effectively solves the tariff/contract gap problem by bringing the cost of the first 25,000 therms of gas into line for all customers. For consumptions over 25,000 therms a year, customers will be charged at the contract rate which applies to their overall annual consumption.

Also, the price table for firm gas in the new Schedules has been simplified. In the past, there were varying prices for each volume band, depending on the number of premises being supplied. Now, there are just two prices for each volume band - one for single premises and one for multiple premises. This has the effect of limiting the financial impact for many multi-premises customers.

Typical increases for those customers paying more will be 5 or 6 percent, while some customers will receive price reductions in the order of 3 to 4 percent.

There is no charge to interruptible gas prices.

The changes to the Schedules will take place from October 1 and will apply as contracts are renewed.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers. British Gas

is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore. Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to ten ordinary shares.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - D&B Software Advanced Manufacturing International (AMI) announced Monday its AMAPS integrated manufacturing resource planning (MRP II) system for the IBM AS/400.

Joe Trino, president of AMI, said AMAPS/400 will give D&B Software's worldwide clients the flexibility to distribute, decentralize or downsize processing to the AS/400 computing environment. ''AMAPS/400 has the same functional richness as our mainfame AMAPS solutions. Whether manufacturers seek to tie together the entire enterprise within a distributed computing architecture or choose to decentralize or downsize to the AS/400 platform, they will find AMAPS/400 to be a full-featured MRP II solution.''

AMAPS/400 is an integral part of D&B Software's comprehensive AMI product line of integrated software solutions. ''The solutions work together to help manufacturers plan, schedule and control the full network of operations upon which their profits depend,'' Trino explained.

AMAPS/400 is comprised of the following modules: Bill of Material System (BMS); Material Control System (MCS); Material Requirements Planning (MRP); Purchasing Control System (PCS); Process and Routing Systems (PRS); Shop Floor Control (SFC); Capacity Requirements Planning (CRP); Master Production Scheduling (MPS); Standard Costing System (SCS); Cost Management System (CMS); Lot Traceability System (LTS); and Scheduled-Managed Production (SMP).

AMAPS/400 provides the state-of-art foundation of planning and control required to implement progressive manufacturing methodologies, such as just-in-time (JIT) production practices and comuter-integrated manufacturing (CIM) strategies.

AMAPS/400 is priced from $150,000 to $450,000, depending upon system configuration, and will be available in October 1990.

D&B Software, a division of The Dun & Bradstreet Corp., is the world's largest

provider of financial, human resource, materials management, manufacturing and higher education software solutions, tools and services. D&B Software was formed in 1990 by the merger of two software industry giants, Management Science America Inc. and McCormack & Dodge Corp. The company serves more than 10,000 customers worldwide, including 75 percent of the Fortune 500.

D&B Software Advanced Manufacturing International (AMI) is unit of D&B Software. AMI is a leading developer and worldwide supplier of application software and services designed specifically for manufacturing industries.

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MUNCIE, IN (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Ball Corp.'s aerospace systems group has been awarded a $24 million contract by NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center to build a helium dewar (a thermally insulated container) to cool the X-Ray Spectrometer (XRS).

XRS is an instrument on the Advanced X-Ray Astrophysics Facility (AXAF) which is scheduled to be launched aboard the shuttle in April, 1997.

The dewar is expected to operate for five years, making it the longest a stored cryogen cooler has ever operated in space. AXAF will be 100 times more sensitive than any other x-ray telescope, over a broader energy range. Data returned by AXAF will have a direct effect on several scientific fields, including plasma physics, atomic and nuclear physics, general relativity, and cosmology.

AXAF is being built by TRW for NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center. Ball also has a contract with TRW to support spacecraft integration on AXAF.

Ball Corp. manufactures and markets packaging, industrial and consumer products, and provides aerospace systems and professional services to the federal sector. The company reported 1989 sales of $1.2 billion.

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BEDFORD, MA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Wellfleet Communications, a leading vendor of high performance internetworking products, Monday announced a major release of its SNMP Network Management Software, SNMP-NMS, available immediately.

Operating on a high performance SUN Microsystems platform, Wellfleet's SNMP-NMS is a standards-based system that offers users an easy-to-use graphics-oriented tool for managing the day-to-day operations of today's rapidly growing internetworks.

SNMP-NMS provides real-time management and control through a graphics map display which is continuously updated as events occur in the network.

The new software, Release 2.0, extends Wellfleet's capabilities by ntegrating the management of independent vendor products, such as the Novell LANtern, Synoptics LattisNet, and multi-vendor routers, within a single Wellfleet management station.

In addition to offering multi-vendor monitoring, Wellfleet has enhanced its graphics map and reporting capabilities by providing such features as software configuration reporting, a central network event window, new point and click configuration tools, and pull-down menu enhancements.

The SNMP standard, which has only been formally defined for TCP/IP environments, has been extended by many vendors to provide access to information not yet specified by the standard.

For example, Wellfleet's own private enterprise extensions for managing its family of multiprotocol router/bridge products include information on its DECnet, XNS, IPX and Appletalk Routers, as well as Spanning Tree Bridges. In addition, Wellfleet continues to be the only vendor who provides integrated SNMP-based access to the T1, E1, Ethernet, Token Ring, FDDI and X.25 circuits in a network.

With today's software release, SNMP-NMS now provides named access to the private enterprise SNMP MIB extensions of multi-vendor products, including:

o ACC, cisco Systems, and Proteon router products;
o Synoptics' LattisNet 1000-series and System 3000 concentrators;
o Novell's LANtern network monitor;
o Novell's FastPath 4 Gateway (formerly marketed by the Kinetics division);
o Xylogic's Annex terminal servers.

Wellfleet Communications is a leading provider of standards-based multiprotocol router/bridges designed for organizations building multi-vendor, mixed media enterprise internetworks.

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SCARSDALE, NY (SEPT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Terminal Applications Group Inc. (NASDAQ: TAGI) Monday reported revenues of $2,829,614 for the nine months ended July 31, as compared with $1,942,785 for the same period a year ago, with a net loss of $710,790, or 12 cents per share vs. $1,710,554, or 33 cents per share, respectively.

Weighted average number of shares outstanding for 1990 were 6,069,540 and for 1989, 5,236,902. Fully diluted earnings per share in 1990 were (11 cents). The nine months 1989 results were after a tax benefit of $559,068, while there was no such benefit in 1990. For the three months ended July 31, revenues were $905,559, vs. $580,742 for the same period in 1989, with losses of $245,087 and $791,644 respectively.

Per share losses were 4 cents and 11 cents on weighted average shares outstanding of 6,069,540 and 6,057,040. Fully diluted earnings per share in 1990 were (4 cents). The 1989 third quarter results were after a tax benefit of $256,023.

The effect of the expense cuts (staff reductions, salary cuts, and other operational savings) instituted in mid-March 1990 are evident in the third quarter results. The management continues to monitor operations closely. Revenues were substantially ahead of the year ago levels in spite of the generally poor economic conditions in the company's main geographic market place.

Gerald D. Kaplan, president of the company stated that the company continues to be on target with the introduction of Star Alpha. The company's current products will continue to be marketed

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MELBOURNE, FL. (SEPT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Opto Mechanik Inc. (OTC:OPTO), the Melbourne, Fla. based designer and manufacturer of optical and electro-optical fire control systems utilized in aircraft, tanks and other weapon systems, announced Monday their results of operations for the year ended June 30.

Revenues for the year ended June 30 reached a record level of $39,173,528, generating net income of $986,033 or 45 cents per common share on a weighted average of 2,186,662 shares outstanding. This is an increase in revenues of

29.5 percent over the year ended June 30, 1989.

Revenues reported at June 30, 1989 were $30,255,863, which generated net income of $925,154 or 43 cents per common share on a weighted average of 2,159,139 shares outstanding. The net income at June 30 is inclusive of $330,000, which resulted from adopting accounting standard No. 96, which changed the method of accounting for income taxes.

Revenues for the quarter ended June 30 increased 41.4 percent to $10,544,987, generating net income of $180,522 or eight cents per common share on a weighted average of 2,189,102 shares outstanding.

This compares to the quarter ended June 30, 1989 in which revenues were reported at $7,456,283, which generated net income of $263,992 representing earnings of 12 cents per common share on a weighted average of 2,159,139 shares outstanding.

The company also announced that due to unexpected delays on a number of contract awards, the company expects reduced sales and earnings leading to losses for the first six months of fiscal year 1991. If contracts materialize as expected, the company will return to a profitable mode during the third and fourth quarters of fiscal year 1991.

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PALMDALE, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The first major regional mall in the Antelope Valley area opened Monday in Palmdale, one of the fastest-growing cities in California.

The grand opening of the $150 million Antelope Valley Mall provides residents of the thriving Antelope Valley the most complete shopping opportunity within a 40-mile radius. The mall will serve the residents of Palmdale, Lancaster and nearby Edwards Air Force Base, as well as other communities.

The 750,000-square-foot Antelope Valley Mall features four major department stores -- Gottschalks, Harris', JCPenney, Sears -- a multi-screen movie theater, the 12-restaurant Oasis food court, and includes a total of 100 specialty retailers.

A partnership including Forest City Commercial Development, George D. Zamias Developer and JCP Realty Inc., developed Antelope Valley Mall. At today's grand opening officials representing those companies talked about the improtance of the first major regional mall in the Antelope Valley.

Among the dignitaries who participated at the grand opening were: Peter Knight mayor of Palmdale; James A. Ratner, president of Forest City Development; Brian Jones, senior vice president of Forest City Commercial Development/West Coast; Everett Shine, vice president of Forest City Commercial Development/West Coast; George D. Zamias, president of George D. Zamias Developer; Jerry Wright, director of real estate/western United States, JCPenney; Warren Flick, vice president/men's and children's apparel, Sears; Michael Osoria, manager of Gottschalks; Jorge Pont, president and chief executive officer, Harris'; Brian Pearson, manager of Antelope Valley Mall; Julie Pugh, advertising/marketing director of Antelope Valley Mall; and Leslie Nielsen, the distinguished film and television actor.

The grand opening kicked off a week-long celebration featuring non-stop live entertainment for the entire family at four locations throughout the mall. The entertainment will include magic shows, dance events, fashion shows, and a variety of other live entertainment.

Antelope Valley Mall is a joint venture among Forest City Commercial Development, acting as managing general partner, George D. Zamias Developer of Johnstown, Pa., and JCP Realty Inc., the real estate development unit of JCPenney Co. Inc., of Dallas. Forest City Development, a division of Forest City Enterprises, developed, leased and will manage the mall.

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EXETER, NH (SEPT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of UNITIL Corp. (AMEX:UTL) Monday declared a quarterly dividend of 56 cents per share on the company's common stock payable Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 3, 1990.

This dividend represents an increase of 1 cent over the previously paid quarterly dividend of 55 cents per share and is the second increase in the dividend this year. The current increase follows an increase of 3 cents per quarter which was declared in April.

While the costs incurred as a result of the company's participation in hearings before the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (NHPUC) concerning the proposed hostile takeover attempt of UNITIL by Eastern Utilities Associates (EUA) may have some impact on 1990 earnings, Monday's favorable action to increase the dividend reflects the achievement of the company's operating and financial goals to date as well as the belief that it will shortly be returning to a more ''business-as-usual'' climate.

A decision in the NHPUC proceeding is due soon. Based upon the record developed in that case over the last few months, the company believes that EUA has failed to sustain any of its claims of benefits to customers.

UNITIL is a New Hampshire based utility holding company. Subsidiaries are Concord Electric Co., Exeter & Hampton Electric Co., UNITIL Power Corp., and UNITIL Service Corp.

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LEBANON, TN (SEPT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Cracker Barrel Old Country Store Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CBRL) Monday announced that the board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.0125 per share.

This represents an indicated annual dividend rate of 5 cents per share. The dividend is payable Sept. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Sept. 14, 1990.

Headquartered in Lebanon, Cracker Barrel Old Country Store Inc. operates 91 restaurants located in Tennessee, Georgia, Kentucky, Indiana, South Carolina, Florida, Alabama, North Carolina, Ohio, Virginia, West Virginia and Illinois. The company's shares are traded in the National Market System with the NASDAQ Symbol CBRL.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The High Yield Income Fund Inc., September 1990 monthly update. Distribution Information:

Amount	Payable Date	Record Date	Declaration Date
$.085	Oct. 12, 1990	Sept. 27, 1990	Sept. 14, 1990

Investment Adviser Commentary:

- The market suffered during August because of political unrest in the Middle East, resulting in skyrocketing oil prices. This increased the threat of both higher inflation and a recession in the United States. - When the stock market declined in mid-August, investors became skeptical of any bond that had even remotely cyclical tendencies. The Fund sold out some of its cyclical credits, including Ampex, Dyersberg, Stone Container and Westwood Group.

- Mutual funds, whose cash inflows sparked the June and July high yield rally became net sellers as investors redeemed shares. Trading was very light. Only the best quality issues changed hands.

Performance Update

	August 31	July 27	June 29
NAV per share	$ 6.81	$ 7.31	$ 7.20
Price per share	$ 5.38	$ 6.86	$ 6.88

Portfolio Databank (As of Sept. 14, 1990):

Top 5 Holdings ($ Millions)		Quality Breakdown	
Kroger	$ 3.8	B	77.51 Pct.
SCI Holdings	$ 3.7	BA	7.04 Pct.
RJR Nabisco	$ 3.6	CAA	6.31 Pct.
Safeway Stores	$ 3.3	Not Rated	5.61 Pct.
BT Acquisitions	$ 2.7	Cash	3.61 Pct.
Yield to maturity:	14.25 Pct.		
Net assets (millions):	$71.0		

General overview

The High Yield Income Fund Inc. is a closed-end management investment company whose primary investment objective is to maximize current income to shareholders. The fund will attempt to achieve this objective primarily through investment in a diversified portfolio of high-yield, fixed-income securities. The Fund's Manager is Prudential Mutual Fund Management Inc. and investment advisory services are provided by The Prudential Investment Corp, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Prudential Insurance Co. of America. Additional information on the Fund's assets and performance is contained in the Semi-Annual Report for the period ended Feb. 28, 1990. For further information on the Fund, call 212/214-3334.

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NEW BRITAIN, CT (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - A settlement agreement has been reached concerning the prudence of Connecticut Light and Power's (CL&P) investment in the Seabrook 1 Nuclear Power Plant.

The proposal has been sent to the Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control (DPUC) for approval.

The settlement was announced by Attorney General Clarine Nardi Riddle, the Office of Consumer Counsel, the Prosecutorial Division of the DPUC, and CL&P. If approved by the DPUC, it will resolve all issues pertaining to the prudence

of CL&P's investment in the Seabrook 1 project.

''This settlement finally puts the Seabrook controversy behind us,'' Ms. Nardi Riddle said. ''The 40 percent write-off of NU's Seabrook investment will save ratepayers a significant amount of money over the life of the generating unit.''

Eugene Koss of the Office of Consumer Counsel noted,'' ''CL&P's acceptance of a significant write-down, coupled with clear language ensuring CL&P ratepayers see the benefits of any capacity sales from the facility, are significant benefits for all ratepayers.''

Christopher Blake, director of the Prosecutorial Division of the DPUC stated that he believes ''This settlement represents the most prudent way to resolve the many disagreements surrounding CL&P's investment in the Seabrook project.''

''We feel that this is an equitable settlement for both custmers and shareholders of CL&P,'' said Bernard M. Fox, president and chief operating officer of Northeast Utilities (NU), the parent company of CL&P. ''This eliminates some uncertainty from future rate cases, and should help further stabilize rates for the people we serve.''

Principal terms of the settlement are:

-- $167 million of CL&P's $276.5 million investment will be placed into rate base, effective June 30, 1990 (the date that the plant began commercial operation);

-- CL&P will not seek to recover its remaining investment in the plant in the future; and

-- All proceedings concerning prudence at the project are terminated.

Under the terms of the settlement, incorporation of CL&P's 4.05985 percent ownership of Seabrook 1 into rate base is expected to result in a one-time increase of approximately 1.5 to 2 percent in CL&P customers' rates. This increase, which would take effect following the next rate case, is expected to be offset by an undetermined amount due to the lower fuel costs of nuclear-generated electricity.

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PALO ALTO, CA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Watkins-Johnson Co. (NYSE:WJ) announced Monday that a review of staffing needs resulted in a reduction of 150 employees, approximately 5 percent of its work force.

The reduction is intended to improve efficiency and cost control to address lowered expectations for growth in the company's defense-electronics market. The staff reduction affects the company's U.S. plant locations and involves jobs at all staff levels.

The company is also moving to streamline its product reporting structure. As part of a previously announced consolidation of all defense-related products into W-J's Defense Group, the San Jose, California-based RET Division is being dissolved and its product lines distributed to other divisions working with related technology. Defense Group consolidation will be completed by year-end.

Watkins-Johnson is a diversified corporation specializing in defense-electronics manufacturing, commercial-equipment production and environmental-consulting services with annual sales of approximately $300 million.

The company has plant locations in Palo Alto, San Jose and Scotts Valley, Calif.; Gaithersburg and Savage, Md.; Wake County, N.C.; and Windsor, England.

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PORTLAND, ME (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - UNUM Corp. (NYSE:UNM) Monday filed a shelf registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering $250 million of unsecured debt securities.

The company intends to use the net proceeds from any future sale of notes under the shelf registration for general corporate purposes which may include working capital, capital expenditures, investment in subsidiaries, refinancing of debt, possible future business acquisitions and the repurchase of common stock.

The underwriters or agents for the offerings of debt securities may include Goldman, Sachs & Co., or a group represented by Goldman, Sachs & Co.

UNUM Corp. is a specialty insurance holding company headquartered in Portland, Maine. UNUM is the nation's leading provider of group long term disability

insurance and a major provider of employee benefits and individual disability insurance. The company also markets retirement plans and long term care insurance.

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KINGSTON, NY (SEPT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - National Micronetics Inc. (NASDAQ) announces that it has opened negotiations with an offshore company looking toward an equity investment by that company in NMI with a series of collateralized bridge loans to precede that investment.

Robert C. Ristagno, president and chief executive officer of NMI, notes that the outcome of the discussions is contingent upon further investigation by the potential investor, the finalization of the terms of the proposed investment, foreign government agency approvals, the cooperation of the secured bank lenders of NMI, the results of operations of NMI pending the consummation of the transactions and the approvals of the boards of directors of both NMI and the foreign company.

The interest expressed by the foreign company is to acquire stock at 40 cents per share. The expression of interest received by NMI is preliminary and subject to receipt of a formal offer.

In the meantime, the primary bank lender of NMI has temporarily waived the failure by NMI to comply with certain covenants in the loan agreements between NMI and the bank, has agreed to defer payment of $275,000 due on Sept. 11, and has expressed a willingness to defer certain future payments of principal and interest during the period of negotiation with the proposed investor.

NMI intends to file its financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30 by the end of the week

National Micronetics is a major independent magnetic recording head manufacturer for the disk drive industry.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - At the Golden Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ:GLDC) annual stockholders meeting it was announced that the board of

directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per share to be paid to stockholders of record on Oct. 5, 1990, and payable on Oct. 24, 1990.

This is an 11 percent increase over the previous rate of 9 cents and is the 19th consecutive annual increase.

The following is a summary of revenue and income information for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, and 1989.

Golden Enterprises Inc.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended	
	8/31/90	8/31/89
Total revenues	$34,196,193	$32,954,669
Income before income taxes	3,036,477	1,819,948
Income taxes	1,072,777	588,822
Net income	$ 1,963,700	$ 1,231,126
Net income per share	15 cents	10 cents
Average shares outstanding	12,749,247	12,801,800

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CONCORD, MA (SEPT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad Inc. Monday announced that its board of directors has authorized the company to purchase in the open market, from time to time, up to $7.5 million (face value) of its 7 1/4 percent convertible subordinated debentures.

The debentures were issued in May, 1986 and are due in 2011. Interest on the debentures is payable May 1 and November 1. Trading symbol for the bonds is GEJ.F.

GenRad Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems and automatic test equipment, to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing, and process quality management. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its trading symbol is GEN.

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MEMPHIS, TN (SEPT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Insituform of North America, Inc.

(''INA'') (NASDAQ:INSUA) announced Monday that it had been advised by George and Robert Erikson that they presently have no further intention of pursuing the proposed sale of their controlling interest in CERBCO Inc. (''CERBCO'') (NASDAQ:CERB) to INA.

CERBCO is a parent holding company owning, among other assets, a controlling interest in Insituform East Inc. (''INEI'') (NASDAQ:INEI), one of INA's sublicensees of the Insituform (R) Process for the repair and reconstruction of underground sewers and pipelines.

In commenting on the notification, INA reiterated its belief that INEI is one of INA's most successful licensees and that the strategic goals which INA had sought to achieve in the proposed transaction were in the interests of all shareholders of the companies concerned. Recognizing the collective disappointment which it believed had resulted from the termination of the discussions, INA expressed its hope that the parties would continue to work together to expand their mutual business objectives.

INA stated that the Delaware litigation previously commenced by two CERBCO shareholders against CERBCO, certain present and former directors of CERBCO (including the Eriksons) and INA remained outstanding, and that INA would respond in due course to the allegations raised.

The suit claims that the proposal of the Eriksons to sell to INA their controlling interest in CERBCO is contrary to their fiduciary obligation to the stockholders of CERBCO, and that INA purportedly aided and abetted any such breach of fiduciary duty.

INA also stated that, as a result of the discontinuance of negotiations and failure to consummate the proposed transaction, it expected a charge against earnings in the third quarter resulting from expenses incurred in connection with the transaction and INA's legal and financial review to date of CERBCO and its subsidiaries.

INA provides state-of-the-art techniques for the reconstruction of deteriorated pipelines utilizing the Insituform (R) Process. In addition, INA furnishes its present network of thirteen United States licensees (including INEI) with the Insitutube (R), resins and other related products used by them in the rehabilitation of pipeline systems throughout the country, and is a center of research and development for trenchless pipeline rehabilitation processes.

Through a wholly-owned subsidiary, NU-PIPE Inc., INA plans to introduce the NuPipe (R) Process later this year.

INA serves the needs of America's infrastructure.

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WOBURN, MA (SEPT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - (AHA:AMEX) Alpha Industries Inc. said that its board of directors has amended the company's shareholders rights plan to lower the threshold at which the acquisition by a person or group of the company's common stock will make the rights separately tradeable and exercisable from 15 percent to 10 percent.

Under the terms of the company's shareholders rights plan, as amended, upon announcement that any person or group has acquired 10 percent or more of the company's common stock, then 10 days thereafter (or such earlier or later date not beyond the 30th day, as the board may decide) each right (other than rights beneficially owned by an acquiring person or transferees thereof, which rights become void) will entitle its holder to acquire the company's common stock at a 50 percent or, at the option of the board of directors, to receive one share of the company's common stock for each right.

In amending the rights agreement, the board of directors is expressing its continued confidence in the company's future and the determination that the stockholders be given every opportunity to participate fully in that future.

Alpha is a leading supplier of microwave semiconductors, ceramic and ferrite devices, microwave and millimeter wave components, and multifunction subsystems that are sold to manufacturers of sophisticated electronic and telecommunications systems

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STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:26 that trade in Enercap Corp.(NASDAQ: ENCP) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 1/4, 3/8.

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STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:33 that trade in Grease Monkey Holding Corp.(NASDAQ: GMHC) has been halted pending news. The

last bid-ask was 1/8, 5/32. The company is located in Denver, CO.

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STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:37 that trade in Pit Stop Auto Inc.(NASDAQ: PSAC) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 2 3/8, 2 1/2.

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#90267c0005 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Southeast Banking Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol STB. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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#90267c0006 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:47 that trade in Vishay Intertechnology has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol VSH.

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#90267c0008 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 20:

NutraMax Products Inc. (NMPU)

The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 19:

Ringer Corp. (RING)

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#90267c0009 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 21:

Automedix Sciences Inc. Cl. A Wts. (AMEDW); Insufficient number of active market makers

Diagnostek Inc. (DXTK); Insufficient number of active market makers; listed on NYSE

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 20:

NutraMax Products Inc. - Uts. (NMPUU), Cl. A Wts., 9/28/90 (NMPUW);
issue postponed; security never quoted

Stockholder Systems Inc. - Cl. A (SSIAA); Acquired by NYNEX Corp.

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#90267c0010 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 24:

Atlantic Express Inc. (ATEXD) to (ATEX)
Evergreen Resources Inc. (EVERD) to (EVER)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 21:

Compliance Recycling Industries Inc. - Cl. B Wts., 9/30/90 (CRIKW) to
Cl. B Wts., 3/31/91 (CRIKW)

Staodynamics Inc. (SDYN) to Staodyn Inc. (SDYN)
Summa RX Laboratories Inc. (SMRXE) to (SMRX)

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#90267c0011 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:28 that trade in Pit Stop Auto Centers Inc.(NASDAQ: PSAC) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 2 3/8, 2 11/16; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90267c0012 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:34 that trade in Grease Monkey Holding Corp.(NASDAQ: GMHC) has been resumed. The first bid was 1/32; down 3/32 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90267c0013 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Vishay Intertechnology has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol VSH. Trading was resumed at 10:26.

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#90267c0014 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Gold

Express Corp.(TICKER: GDEX) dismissed its independent accountant, Coopers & Lybrand, on Sept. 17, 1990.

On that same date, the company hired BDO Seidman as its accountant.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90267c0016 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows International Bankcard Services Corp.(TICKER: IBSC) lost $578,716, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $207,716 for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $831,471, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $207,753 for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1989.

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#90267c0017 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:28 that trade in Enercap Corp.(NASDAQ: ENCP) has been resumed. The first bid was 1/8; down 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90267c0018 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:40 that trade in Giant Pacific Petrloeum Inc.(NASDAQ: GPPXF) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 3/16, 5/16; up 1/32 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90267c0021 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows American Credit Optical Inc.(TICKER: ACOI) on Aug. 30, 1990, acquired the business and substantially all the assets of Acadine Capital Corp.

The acquisition occurred pursuant to a reorganization agreement dated Aug. 8, 1990, between American Credit and C. Brent Haggard, Acadine's sole shareholder.

American Credit paid $812,500 cash and 775,000 shares of its common stock, valued at $2 per share, for Acadine's business and assets.

American Credit also is obligated to issue up to 250,000 additional shares of its common stock, depending on 1991 pre-tax earnings of its new insurance group.

American Credit entered into an employment agreement with Haggard, paid him $200,000 for a five-year covenant not to compete, and agreed to pay Haggard $200,000 cash as a finder's fee for American Hallmark Insurance Co. of Texas.

Acadine also had acquired insurance agency assets and business through Brokers General Inc., a "grandfather" managing general agent which American Credit acquired in August, 1990, for $167,500 in cash.

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#90267c0022 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Saints & Sinners Entertainment Co. earned $22,920, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $40,803 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $37,546, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2,044 for the for the same period in 1989.

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#90267c0023 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Buffs-N-Puffs Ltd. lost $142,463, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $234,579 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $19,654, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $57,286 for the same period in 1989.

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#90267c0024 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Primeenergy Corp.(TICKER: PRNG) earned $942,000, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $4.63 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $284,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $1.40 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90267c0026 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows King City Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: KCFB) earned $967,258, or $1.94 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $795,041, or $1.60 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90267c0027 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Miller Building Systems Inc. (TICKER: MTIK) earned $1.93 million, or $0.49 per share, on revenues of $42.78 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $2.02 million, or $0.50 per share, on revenues of $43.57 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90267c0028 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 6, 1990, the board of directors of Jiffy Lube International Inc.(TICKER: JLUB) authorized the change of the company's fiscal year ending March 31 to a fiscal year ending Dec. 31.

The company's current fiscal year will end, as a result, on Dec. 31, 1990.

The company will file a 10-K report on the transition period from April 1, 1990 to Dec. 31, 1990.

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#90267c0029 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Monarch Avalon Inc.(TICKER: MAHI) lost $25,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.41 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total losses of $131,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $1.46 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90267c0030 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Movie Superstore Inc.(TICKER: TMSI) lost $189,374, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $603,498 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with lossees of $30,336, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $287,088 for the same period in 1989.

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#90267c0031 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Utilitech Inc.(TICKER: UTLL) earned $316,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $31,400 from discontinued operations), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $13.14 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $3,400 (including an extraordinary loss of $62,500), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.18 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90267c0032 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 12, 1990, HMO America Inc.(TICKER: HMOA) dismissed Laventhol & Horwath and engaged KPMG Peat Marwick as HMO America's principal accountant.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90267c0034 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Ingres Corp.(TICKER: RELY) entered into an agreement of merger Sept. 10, 1990, by Ingres, Palette ACQ Corp. and ASK Computer Systems Inc.(TICKER: ASKI).

Ingres' board of directors adopted an amendment to the rights agreement dated Jan. 25, 1990, between Ingres and American Stock & Transfer Co., as rights agent.

The amendment provides that neither ASK nor any of its affiliates may become an acquiror as a result of the merger.

Also on Sept. 10, 1990, the board of directors of Ingres authorized the chief executive officer and the chief financial officer of the company to redeem the rights in accordance with the terms and conditions of the merger agreement at $0.01 per right, in accordance with the rights agreement offer.

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#90267c0049 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:55 that trade in Hitech Engineering Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: THEX) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 5/16, 1/2. The company is located in Herndon, VA.

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#90267c0050 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:19 that trade in National Micronetics Inc.(NASDAQ: NMIC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7/32. The company is located in Kingston, NY.

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#90267c0051 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - With the deadline fast approaching for nations to put their cards on the table declaring trade positions in the current Uruguay Round negotiations in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, Congress is concerned the U.S. is playing from a stacked deck.

"With so little agreement achieved to date and so little time remaining in the round, the chair fears that any agreement made in Brussels will involve only vague and unenforceable promises from the rest of the world to liberalize trade while the United States will agree to forego, or to limit, our unilateral and bilateral remedies to unfair foreign trade practices," Rep. John Dingell (D-Mich.), chairman of the House Energy and Commerce subcommittee on oversight and investigations, said in his opening remarks today on the status of the ongoing trade talks.

U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills, while echoing President Bush's assertion last spring that "no agreement is better than a bad agreement in the Uruguay Round," said a successful conclusion to the trade negotiations is critical to ensure continued economic growth.

"Our objective in these talks is to ensure continued economic growth by

opening markets so that trade can expand, and by establishing rules of fair play in areas vital to U.S. competitiveness -- services, investment, agriculture and industries such as high technology and entertainment that depend on the protection of intellectual property," Hills said.

The Uruguay Round encompasses a variety of issues including tariffs, textiles, agriculture, intellectual property, services, and rules which govern market access such as subsidies and antidumping measures.

By October 15, 1990, all "offers" for all sectors must be laid out by the individual nations engaged in the negotiations. Talks are scheduled to conclude by November 23 followed by a closing ministerial meeting in Brussels during the first week of December.

According to Hills, agriculture is the key to concluding successful negotiations.

"That is because agriculture is the top -- and, in some instances, the only -- priority for many agricultural exporting nations negotiating in the round," Hills said. "Without fundamental agricultural reform, they will simply walk out."

Rep. Edward Markey (D-Mass) said members of the telecommunications industry, including MCI, Sprint and AT&T, have opposed telecommunications services in the agreement because they fear it will sanction the existence of telephone monopolies of members of the European Community and Japan.

"Would we be sanctioning monopolies if we signed this agreement?" Markey asked.

"Not at all," Hills replied. "We need a framework for negotiations. We need a multilateral framework to negotiate access around the globe."

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#90267c0052 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Electronic Assembly Services Inc.(TICKER: ELAS) earned $695 at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $580,019 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $1.0 million, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $107,804 for the same period in 1989.

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#90267c0053 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Entronics Corp.(TICKER: ENTC) lost $966,726, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $20.03 million for the year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $135,562, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $5.17 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1989.

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#90267c0054 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Benedict Nuclear Pharmaceuticals (TICKER: BENE) on Sept. 19, 1990, dismissed its independent accountant, Ehrhardt, Keefe & Steiner, P.C., and retained KPMG Peat Marwick to act in that capacity.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90267c0056 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - Interpool Ltd. One filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 4 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock, one Class A warrant and one Class B warrant.

The initial public offering price is $0.03 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 430 East 400 South, Suite 100, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111 and its telephone number is (801) 364-7821.

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#90267c0057 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - R.M. Caribbean Carriers Ltd. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 400,000 units.

Each unit consists of two shares of common stock and one redeemable common stock purchase warrant.

The initial public offering price is $6.00 per unit.

Grady and Hatch & Co. and Parker Jameson Inc. are managing the offering.

The company, a recently organized Liberian corporation, intends to engage in

the business of investing in, owning and operating second hand vessels known as multipurpose carriers, handy-size bulk carriers and feeder-size containerships.

The company's executive office is located at 3rd Floor West Wind Building, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, British West Indies.

Its telephone number is (809) 949-8728.

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#90267c0058 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - Andover Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 100,000 units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock, 20 Class A warrants and 20 Class B warrants.

The initial public offering price is $1.00 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 12 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100, Houston, Texas 77046 and its telephone number is (713) 871-1113.

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#90267c0059 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - S & R Broadcasting Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 300,000 units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and three warrants.

The initial public offering price is $5.00 per unit.

The company was formed as a Nevada corporation on June 28, 1990 to own and operate commercial radio stations and other lawful businesses.

The company's executive office is located at 612 Anatolia Lane, Las Vegas, Nevada 89128 and its telephone number is (702) 435-5735.

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#90267c0060 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:15 that trade in Autoclave Engineers Inc.(NASDAQ: ACLV) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The company is located in Erie, PA.

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#90267c0061 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:35 that trade in National Micronetics (NASDAQ: NMIC) has been resumed. The first sale was 3/16; down 1/32 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90267c0062 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:54 that trade in Hitech Engineering Co. Inc.(NASDAQ: THEX) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 1/16, 3/16; down 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90267c0064 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - Consolidated NRD Resources Ltd.(TICKER: NRDR) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating SouthSide Resources Ltd. has not met its commitment to purchase a $120,000 convertible debenture from Consolidated NRD.

Consolidated NRD reports the transaction has therefore been cancelled and it is pursuing other sources of financing.

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#90267c0065 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - Hawk Marine Power Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it seeks to register 177,438 shares of the company's common stock on behalf of certain selling shareholders of the company.

The company's common stock is traded on a limited basis in the over-the-counter market.

Hawk Marine Power is engaged in the design, production and sale of high performance marine engines for installation in high speed recreational powerboats and off-shore racing boats.

The company's executive office is located at 3025 N.E. 188th Street, North Miami, Florida 33180 and its telephone number is (305) 932-9230.

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#90267c0066 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) COMTEX - United American Healthcare Corp. filed a

registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 750,000 shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is estimated to range between $10.00 and $12.00 per share.

Prescott Ball & Turben is underwriting the offering.

The company was organized to provide management, marketing and administrative services on behalf of health care systems such as health maintenance organizations, government health care programs, preferred provider organizations, and private employer self-funded benefit programs.

The company's executive office is located at 7650 Second Ave., Detroit, MI 48202 and its telephone number is (313) 873-2852.

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#90267c0067 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - Regal Gas Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 600,000 shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is $12.50 per share.

Texas Securities Inc. is underwriting the offering.

Regal Gas is engaged in the business of acquiring, transporting, processing and marketing natural gas from the Yates formation in Andrews and Ector counties, Texas.

The company's executive office is located at 14505 Torrey Chase Blvd., Suite 300, Houston, TX 77014 and its telephone number is (713) 893-4700.

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#90267c0068 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - Fitzgerald National Bancorporation Inc., a proposed bank holding for Fitzgerald National Bank (proposed), filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it is seeking to offer up to 450,000 shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is $10.00 per share.

The executive offices of Fitzgerald National are located at P.O. Box 277, Fitzgerald, Georgia 71750. Its telephone number is (912) 423-2007.

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#90267c0069 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - Armstrong Tool Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 500,000 units.

Each unit consists of two shares of common stock and one common stock purchase warrant.

The initial public offering price is $5.00 per unit.

Jay Securities Corp. is underwriting the offering.

Armstrong Tool is engaged in providing specialized oil and gas drilling products and services.

The company's executive office is located at 122 North Second, P.O. Box 1804, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72902.

Its telephone number is (501) 783-3108.

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#90267c0070 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - ANB Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it seeking to offer an unspecified number of common shares pursuant to a plan of reorganization between ANB and Muncie Federal S&L Assn.

Pursuant to the reorganization agreement, Muncie Federal will convert from a mutual S&L association to a federal stock savings bank and merge into a newly created subsidiary of ANB. Following the merger conversion, Muncie Federal will be a wholly-owned subsidiary of ANB.

ANB is a Muncie, Indiana-based multi-bank holding company and its executive office is located at 110 East Main Street, Muncie Indiana 47305.

Its telephone number is (317) 747-7575.

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#90267c0072 09/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - Oncotech Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1.30 million shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is expected to range between $7.00 and $9.00 per share.

Dain Bosworth and Cruttenden & Co. is managing the offering.

Oncotech is a clinical laboratory and drug development services company.

The company's executive office is located at 1791 Kaiser Ave., Irvine, CA 92714 and its telephone number is (714) 474-9262.

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#90267c0073 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - Stella Capital Ltd. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 7.50 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock, one Class A warrant and one Class B warrant.

The initial public offering price is $0.01 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 1472 West Geddes Ave., Littleton, Colorado 80120.

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#90267c0074 09/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - Crystal Mountain Resources Ltd. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 750,000 shares of its common stock.

The public offering price is $0.43 per share.

Crystal Mountain is engaged in the exploration of mineral properties.

The company's executive office is located at Suite 800, 900 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. Canada V6E IE5.

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#90267d0590 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 24) - New Zealand's biggest newspaper group, Independent Newspapers Ltd (INL), which is half owned by Rupert Murdoch's News Ltd, announced Monday it has purchased a San Diego yachting magazine, the Log, for an undisclosed sum.

INL chairman Alan Burnet said the magazine which comes out free every fortnight and has 65,000 readers in southern California, was very profitable.

He said its purchase was timely as the America's Cup yachting contest was due

to take place in San Diego in 1992.

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#90267d0710 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Baghdad (SEPT. 24) - The office of the People's Mujahedin of Iran, based in Baghdad, issued a statement Monday saying that 49 alleged drug dealers, including two women, were hanged last week in Iran, according to reports published in Teheran September 22.

The statement said this brought to 122 the number of executions officially announced by the Iranian regime in September.

''Despite extensive executions on ordinary charges, the Khomeini regime delays reporting them. They are only published in its domestic press in order to escalate the atmosphere of terror and intimidation,'' said the mujahedin.

The opposition group also repeated its rejection of a report by the official Iranian news agency Irna saying that the People's Mujahedin organisation had ordered its members and supporters to leave Iraq.

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#90267d0870 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN (SEPT. 24) - Iran, which has taken delivery of a first batch of Soviet-made MiG-29 jet fighters, wants to diversify its arms purchases and is currently studying offers from Europe and China, the Teheran Times said Monday.

The newspaper, considered close to President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, said the delivery on Saturday of the MiGs, whose number has not been specified, was evidence of the "more than excellent ties" between Moscow and Teheran.

"Iran's military purchases will not be limited to this newly received batch of air fighters. Moscow has announced its agreement to sell more arms to the Islamic republic," the English-language daily said.

"But there is a rather tough rivalry going on as far as arms sales to Iran are concerned," the newspaper added.

"A number of European countries too have informed Teheran of their preparedness to meet Iran's military needs. And it is said Iran is considering these offers as well."

The newspaper said "the Chinese has also come up with good prices for their arms. But Teheran seems to opt for sophisticated and advanced weaponry for its air force in particular."

Iranian officials were studying the various arms offers because "the country

should not rely on any one single country as its source for weaponry.

"This Iran has learned as a precious lesson in the course of the war" against Iraq in 1980-1988, the paper added.

The Teheran Times called on Iran to maintain "high military efficiency" in the face of "plots after plots hatched against the Middle East by the imperialist powers."

The report came amid a massive Western military build-up in the Gulf sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Iran has denounced the Iraqi occupation as well as the presence of the Western forces in the region.

But Iran has also begun a rapprochement with Iraq, following Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's acceptance on August 15 of Iranian terms for a final settlement to the Gulf war.

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#90267d1010 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 24) - The board of the British-based Turkish trading company Polly Peck, asked the government Monday to launch an enquiry into stock market turbulence which has led to suspension of Polly Peck shares.

Last week the shares were suspended after they had lost more than half their value in a single trading session. Capitalization of the company fell from about 1.05 billion pounds (about 1.9 billion dollars) to 468 million pounds.

Group chairman, Asil Nadir, who had earlier announced and then withdrawn his own bid for the company, asked Trade Secretary John Redwood on Monday to appoint independent inspectors in the face of what he termed intense and severe attacks by the press.

On Friday an emergency meeting of the board confirmed its confidence in Mr. Nadir. On Thursday officers of the serious fraud office had interviewed Mr. Nadir.

Mr. Nadir has also begun libel actions against the Sunday Times and Observer newspapers in connection with allegations of financial irregularities and support for the share price.

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#90267d1050 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (SEPT. 24) - Wealthy but diplomatically isolated Taiwan on Monday pledged 30 million U.S. dollars to Jordan, Turkey and Egypt to help the three countries address refugee problems arising from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Foreign Minister Fredrick Chien told reporters that the cabinet and MPs had given their blessing to the humanitarian aid package, one of the largest Taiwan has ever extended.

"As a constructive member of the international community, we have duties and responsibilities to fulfill," he said.

Mr. Chien acknowledged that Taiwan was making the contribution because Jordan helped evacuate some 180 Taiwanese stranded in Kuwait following the August 2 invasion.

But he said the aid would be stopped if Jordan violated a U.N. embargo against Iraq.

Mr. Chien denied a newspaper report that Taiwan would contribute 100 million dollars toward the cost of the U.S. military build-up in the Gulf. "We will provide humanitarian but not military aid," he said.

The United States, which switched diplomatic recognition to Beijing in 1979, has never asked Taiwan to share the cost of the buildup, the minister said.

Taiwan also does not have any official links with the Gulf countries.

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#90267d1120 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 24) - A major Chinese construction company has won a contract to build a 285 million dollar copper and gold mining project in Pakistan, China Daily said Monday.

The contract was signed Sunday by China Metallurgical Construction Corporation (MCC) and Pakistan's Resource Development Corporation (PVT) Ltd at a ceremony attended by Pakistan's President Ghulam Ishaq Khan and Chinese President Yang Shangkun, the official English-language newspaper said.

Under the terms of the contract, the MCC would be in charge of building a mine a separation plant and a processing plant in Baluchistan province in Pakistan's southwest, it said.

MCC will provide the Pakistan company with 84 million dollars in credits to buy Chinese machinery and equipment, the newspaper said, quoting an MCC official as saying the loan would be repaid through copper shipments.

Construction is expected to start in two months and is scheduled to be completed in four years, it said.

China Daily said the project was designed to produce 15,000 to 16,000 tons of raw copper and 1,500 to 1,600 kilograms (3,300 to 3,520 pounds) of gold

annually.

It said seven other Chinese companies were also involved in the project.

Beijing and Islamabad also agreed to set up joint energy projects Sunday, the last day of Mr. Ishaq Khan's five-day visit, sources here said.

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#90267d1160 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 24) - A delegation of Vietnamese government officials and academics is on a week-long visit here to seek South Korean investment in Vietnam, officials said Monday.

The nine-member delegation arrived here Sunday at the invitation of Seoul's Yonsei University, a foreign ministry official said.

The group will explain Hanoi's economic reform programmes and seek investments by South Korean firms in Vietnam, they said.

Hanoi has been isolated since the Vietnam War ended in 1975, but two-way trade with South Korea has been increasing and last year totalled 80 million dollars.

South Korea sent tens of thousand troops to fight alongside those of the United States and South Vietnam during the Vietnam War.

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#90267d1180 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 24) - One of New Zealand's richest men, property developer Sir Robert Jones, claimed Monday he was the victim of sharebroker rumour mongering.

His comments came as the share price of Robt Jones Investments (RJI) tumbled from a mid-July high of 100 New Zealand cents (62 U.S) to 66 cents (40 U.S.) Monday.

Speaking on Radio New Zealand, Sir Robert said small retail sharebrokers were desperate because they had no business, so they were trying to induce people to sell shares.

One way to do that was to spread rumours about companies going broke.

Sir Robert said he had complained to the New Zealand Stock Exchange in May about one broking house, which subsequently denied spreading any rumour about RJI.

He said a former partner of the broking house had since called and told him

that they had been spreading rumours.

"In fact (the former partner) had a stand-up row about the ethics of it, what it was doing to the market, what it was doing to those shareholders and what it was it was doing to our company and what it was doing to New Zealand..... and (he) resigned on the spot."

Sir Robert said if the "nonsense" over the RJI share price continued, privatisation would be a consideration, thought at the moment he was not thinking of it.

"Firstly we would be flooded with letters from shareholders saying 'Don't do it' and secondly the brokers tell us we might pick up 20 million shares at the most -- there's 800 million of them -- but we'd never succeed. We have a very loyal shareholding," he said.

Sir Robert said he had met the company's large American shareholders, "the Rockefellers and others", who knew the company's financial state.

"All they said was 'If New Zealanders want to give them away we'll buy 'em'," he said.

Earlier this year National Business Review named Sir Robert New Zealand's second richest man with a personal worth of 260 million dollars (161 million U.S.).

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#90267d1200 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 24) - The Kuwait Investment Office (KIO) has sold its 10.1 percent stake in Mount Charlotte Investments to New Zealand entrepreneur Sir Ron Brierley, triggering a bid for the British hotel-operating company from his Brierley Investments Limited.

BIL's British advisor Samuel Montagu and Co. Ltd. announced the 73-pence-per-share offer here, which valued Mount Charlotte at 644 million pounds (1.12 billion dollars).

The takeover offer became mandatory under British takeover rules as BIL's stake rose above 30 percent to 39.9 percent.

No-one was available for comment on the reason for the stake sale at the KIO, the London-based investment arm of the exiled Kuwaiti government.

The sale is the first known significant stake sale undertaken by the KIO since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Shares in Mount Charlotte Investments were up 7.5 pence at 67 pence after the

news Monday morning.

A Mount Charlotte Investments spokeswoman said that the company's board was meeting "to discuss the implications of the bid", and would be making a statement "in due course".

Mount Charlotte Investments became Britain's second biggest hotel operator after buying most of the Thistle Hotels chain from brewer Scottish and Newcastle in September last year for 645 million pounds (1.2 billion dollars).

The company, which owns and operates more than 100 hotels with approximately 14,000 rooms, turned in 47.6 million pounds (88.5 million dollars) pre-tax profit last year.

BIL, a Mount Charlotte shareholder since 1988, served as a sub-underwriter to the rights issue which financed the September 1989 acquisition, and emerged from the deal with an enhanced stake.

BIL Group is an investment holding company listed in New Zealand, Australia and London. It made 665.8 million New Zealand dollars (412 million U.S. dollars) pre-tax profit in the year to the end of June 1989.

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#90267d1210 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (SEPT. 24) - An explosion at a chemical plant in central Romania Monday killed five people and injured 10, some critically, in the second such incident in less than a month, Romanian radio said.

Quoting the Tarnaveni chemical factory's technical manager, Emanoil Madroiu, the radio said a furnace exploded due to "worn-out mechanical and electrical equipment" which had prevented "normal emanations of gas".

The furnace had been shut down for repairs but exploded two hours after being re-started.

All victims were working near the furnace when it blew up. Five workers suffered serious burns.

Mr. Madroiu said the hospital at Tarnaveni, near Tirgu Mures, lacked the drugs to treat the burns.

Government officials were expected at the stricken plant that employs 5,000 people later in the day.

On September 7 two people were killed and 29 injured in an explosion at installations manufacturing the explosive TNT at the Fagaras chemical plant in the same region.

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#90267d1290 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (SEPT. 24) - Food giant Goodman Fielder Wattie Ltd. (GFW) announced Monday it had suffered a 6.2 percent fall in net annual profit to 117.1 million Australian dollars (97 million U.S.) in the year to June 30.

After abnormal losses of 203 million dollars (168 million U.S.) from investments, the Australian and New Zealand food processor posted a 85.6 million dollar (71 million U.S.) loss compared to a 317 million dollar (263 million U.S.) profit the previous year.

Gross operating profit jumped 21.6 percent to 200 million dollars (166 million U.S.) during the period.

The fall in net profit from 125 million dollars (103 million U.S.) previously was blamed on losses on the sale of non-current assets and was despite revenue surging 16.8 percent to 3.5 billion dollars (2.9 billion U.S.).

Last reporting year the group made 46 million dollars (38 million U.S.) selling plant and equipment assets whereas this financial year it lost four million dollars (3.3 million U.S.) on similar transactions.

Following the abnormal losses on investments such as its 19.9 percent Industrial Equity stake, the directors "re-affirmed their commitment to the group's core food business strategy.

"The directors are therefore able to assure shareholders that these provisions have removed the burden these investment have placed upon the group in recent years.

"Since core food assets now represent the vast majority of the group's total assets, future profits will more fully reflect the results from food operations.

"Restructuring currently under way in Australia will provide further substantial improvements."

The group's Asian operations boosted sales by 83.8 percent to 44.3 million dollars (37 million U.S.) but they recorded an overall loss of 3.5 million dollars (2.9 million U.S.) due to establishment costs and restaurant closures.

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#90267d1310 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (SEPT. 24) - The Thai Navy is shopping around for a helicopter carrier ship for use in patrolling its territorial waters, a senior Thai

military officer said here on Monday.

Thai Supreme Command spokesman Lieutenant-General Naruedol Dejpradiyuth said navy commander Admiral Prapat Krisanachan has disclosed plans to buy such a vessel but has not decided from which country.

But, according to diplomatic sources, contacts have been made with West Germany and Italy as possible suppliers of the ship.

Lak Thai, a Thai-language political weekly magazine, said the ship which is to be Thailand's first "flat-top" has been estimated to cost around 7.7 billion baht (3.08 million dollars).

The Thai navy has already ordered four frigates from Italy.

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#90267d1440 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 24) - Britain had a current balance of payments deficit of 1.13 billion pounds (2.1 billion dollars) in August, down from a 1.68 billion pound (3.1 billion dollars) deficit in July, the Central Statistical Office said Monday.

The seasonally-adjusted August deficit was lower than market forecasts of a shortfall of 1.4 billion pounds (2.6 billion dollars).

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#90267d1450 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (SEPT. 24) - Britain is negotiating with a senior pro-Iranian religious figure on the three British hostages in Lebanon, who could all be released soon, a Lebanese source close to Teheran said here Monday.

The source said the release of the Britons was being negotiated by the British ambassador here, David Tatham, and the spiritual leader of Lebanon's pro-Iranian Shiite fundamentalists, Sheikh Mohammed Hussein Fadlallah.

He said freedom for the hostages would herald the restoration of diplomatic ties between Iran and Britain as the two sides, represented by Sheikh Fadlallah and Mr. Tatham, were also close to an agreement on the Salman Rushdie affair.

The British ambassador held a first round of talks with Sheikh Fadlallah on September 12 and the two men are to meet again "very soon," the source told Agence France-Presse.

This meeting could begin "the countdown" to the release of the Britons - Terry Waite, 51, the archbishop of Canterbury's special envoy kidnapped in January 1987, John McCarthy, a 33-year old cameraman who disappeared in April 1986 and

Jack Mann, a 75-year old former pilot abducted in May 1989.

All three are believed to be held by pro-Iranian Shiite fundamentalist groups, but only Mr. Mann's kidnapping has been claimed - by a group calling itself the Cells of the Armed Struggle.

Sheikh Fadlallah's office has denied that the hostage issue was brought up at the September 12 meeting.

The Foreign Office in London said after the talks that the meeting was part of regular contacts with political and religious leaders in Lebanon.

But it added that Mr. Tatham wanted to "ask them to do everything possible to secure the release of all hostages, not only British hostages."

(In London Monday, the Foreign Office again confirmed the September 12 meeting but would not comment on a possible release.

("The whole question of the hostages by its very nature is sensitive. The position of the U.K. government remains unchanged - that is, we do not do deals," a Foreign Office spokesman said.)

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#90267d1560 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 24) - Pressure on rates for grain movements out of the U.S. Gulf maintained the decline in shipping freight indices over the past week.

The Baltic International Freight Futures Exchange (BIFFEX)'s Baltic Freight Index (BFI) ended down 15 points from the previous Friday at 1,182 points.

The per ton value of the U.S. Gulf to Japan index fell heavily to 19.910 dollars from 20.708 at the end of the previous week. The decline was justified late in the week when two 52,000-tonners accepted 19.90 dollars per tonne on the route.

Nevertheless rates on the U.S. Gulf to Europe grain route showed some signs of firming.

The index value on the route firmed from 10.758 dollars per tonne to 11.35 in midweek after a number of fixings at better rates.

But the lack of further business at these levels had reduced the index value to 11.25 dollars per tonne by Friday.

Timecharter business was also depressed. The transatlantic round trip index value fell heavily to 7,130 dollars per day from 7,616.667 at the end of the previous week.

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#90267d1580 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 24) - Wine drinkers in the United States should be permitted to drink French wine from vines treated with a Japanese fungicide which is accepted around the world, and the EEC should take action to accelerate approval, French wine exporters said on Monday.

They demanded action in response to a delay by U.S. officials in ruling whether a grape fungicide is acceptable to American consumers. The product is believed to cause cancer in animals if administered in high doses under laboratory conditions.

Restrictions imposed since the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) had detected minute traces of the fungicide procymidone in samples of Italian and French wines, had cost the EEC wine industry 50 million dollars until July and would cost 150 million dollars by the end of the year, they said.

On Friday the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) said that wines containing the fungicide, which have been banned from sale since February, would continue to be withheld until the summer of 1991 at least, even though they did not pose a threat to health

The Federation of French wine and spirits exporters (FEVS) said that the decision to delay a ruling on use of the fungicide, used to treat vines, was a "serious blow" to European exporters.

The delay ignored approvals given by 26 countries in the European Economic Community (EEC), elsewhere in Europe, South America, Central America, Australia and in East Europe.

"The U.S. administration confirmed in its preliminary examination that the product is innocuous," the FEVS said, and it urged French and EEC authorities to take "the measures which are required".

French viticulteurs were advised not to use the product this year, and consequently the 1990 harvest has been adversely affected.

Procymidone is normally used in the production of 20 percent of wines exported from France, in six percent of wines exported from Italy and two percent of wines exported from Spain.

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#90267d1690 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (SEPT. 24) - Prices rose an average 0.6 percent in the European Economic Community (EEC) in August, taking the annual inflation rate to 5.9

percent, its highest level in five years, it was announced here Monday.

The lowest year on year inflation rate was in the Netherlands, at 2.4 percent, and the highest was Greece with 21.9 percent, according to the figures from Eurostat, the EEC statistics office.

Rising oil prices due to the Gulf crisis saw steeper inflation in all EEC countries, ranging from 0.3 percent in West Germany to 1.3 percent in Portugal.

Percentage inflation in the EEC member countries in August over the July level and over August 1989. (Inflation is calculated only quarterly in Ireland, and the year on year figure is based on May 89-May 90).

August 1990	Aug. 89	Aug. 90
Netherlands	0.4	2.4
Denmark	1.0	2.5
West Germany	0.3	2.8
Belgium	0.6	3.3
Luxembourg	0.5	3.3
France	0.6	3.5
Ireland	--	3.5
Spain	0.5	6.5
Italy	0.7	6.8
Britain	1.0	10.6
Portugal	1.3	12.7
Greece	0.6	21.9

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#90267d1710 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 24) - Pakistan International Airlines (Pia) will increase its fares on international routes by 20 percent from October 1, the state-owned company announced Monday.

Air Marshal Farooq Feroze Khan, managing director of the company, said that domestic fares would remain at the present levels.

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#90267d1830 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (SEPT. 24) - Tunisia announced Monday that it was restoring diplomatic relations with Iran.

A foreign ministry statement carried by the official TAP news agency said the two countries had agreed to resume relations from Monday to "promote their traditional ties of friendship and cooperation" and in a spirit of Islamic solidarity.

Tunisia broke off relations with Iran in March 1987 after alleging that the Iranian embassy in Tunis had tried to recruit Tunisian extremists abroad to carry out terrorist attacks.

It also accused Iran of trying to overthrow the government led at the time by President Habib Bourguiba and establish a pro-Iranian fundamentalist administration in Tunisia.

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#90267d2060 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 24) - Greenpeace blasted Britain's ecological record on Monday, calling it the "dirty man of Europe" whose government failed to take sufficient measures to protect its environment.

The ecological organization also said Britain might face possible legal action from European Economic Communuity officials for what it said was the worst water and air quality in the whole EEC, in a press conference here.

Greenpeace spokesmen criticised British authorities for continuing to authorize the dumping of radioactive waste into the North Sea, and for failing to give full backing to campaigns to reduce carbon dioxide emissions.

The report, entitled "Why Britain remains the Dirty Man of Europe?", said more "action not words" was needed to rectify the trend.

The Greenpeace conference came one day before British Environment Minister Chris Patten was to present a new bill on environmental protection Tuesday.

He accused Greenpeace of practicing "the worst sort of political pollution".

"Whatever their past record, they have become increasingly shrill and partisan and their latest publications are the worst sort of political pollution replete with distortions, exaggerations and worse," he said.

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#90267d2070 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAMMU, India (SEPT. 24) - Indian troops shot dead 17 Moslem rebels in India's Kashmir state, where two paramilitary troopers and three civilians also died in unabated Moslem separatist violence, officials said Monday.

Army troops shot and killed the 17 in gunbattles late Sunday and Monday on Kashmir's border when they crossed into India from neighbouring Pakistan, a defence ministry spokesman said here.

A member of the paramilitary Border Security Force (BSF) was also killed in one of the gunbattles, the spokesman said.

India charges Pakistan, which disputes Kashmir's 1947 accession to India, with arming and training Kashmiri Moslem militants battling for secession in India's only Moslem majority state.

Pakistan denies the charges but gives strong moral support to the militants.

The spokesman said 13 AK-47 assault rifles, three light machine guns, three rocket launchers and a quantity of ammunition were seized from the infiltrators.

Meanwhile the Al-Umer Mujahedeen, one of the militant groups spearheading the separatist movement, Monday warned the drivers of light vehicles that they would open fire on any car found on the roads in the Kashnmir Valley for an indefinite period starting Wednesday.

The group's action follows the lifting on September 16 of a similar ban imposed by the Jammu and Kashmir Students Liberation Front.

A statement issued in Srinagar said the Al-Umer Mujahedeen any private or government vehicle, other than taxis or heavy trucks, found plying the roads would be shot at, the Press Trust of India reported.

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#90267d2200 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 24) - The price of fuel oil rose sharply while Dubai crude managed a smaller increase, the Singapore International Monetary Exchange (SIMEX) said Monday.

Dealers at SIMEX said that October fuel oil jumped to 162.50 U.S. dollars per metric ton at the close, a sharp rise from Friday's closing level of 149.30 dollars.

The 162.50 dollar level was reached at the midday break, and dealers said that news of an increase in tension in the Gulf situation kept the price at that level until the close of business.

They were fearful that the exchange of words between Iraq and the United States could further dampen the oil market, and another round of oil price increases could not be ruled out.

Fuel oil for November delivery, meanwhile, rose 10 dollars from Friday's close of 144.50 dollars per metric ton to close Monday at 154.50 dollars.

In the Dubai crude market, the price for November deliveries closed at 31.80 dollars a barrel, up from Friday's level of 29.55 dollars while December was unquoted.

SIMEX, which trades in gold and foreign currency futures, began trading in oil early this year.

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#90267d2210 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (SEPT. 24) - Power cuts, piles of rubbish and silent railway stations were just three aspects of disruption of the Greek economy which seemed set to worsen for a third week on Monday when two leading unions called for another 48-hour strike.

They urged their two million members to join the standstill on Wednesday and Thursday to protest against austerity measures by the conservative government.

Union members went on strike for 48 hours last week, and the government has threatened to respond by requisitioning staff to man banks, public services and electrical supply, while legal action has been launched against electricity unions.

Labor unrest began at the beginning of September when the government announced plans to reform the social security system and pension payments.

Industrial action has affected particularly banks, supplies of electricity, telecommunications, postal services, public transport, local administration and health services.

The banking sector, of which the state controls 90 percent, has been paralyzed since Sept. 6, and no financial transaction is possible. The union of bank employees, which has 50,000 members has decided to extend the strike until Thursday.

Electricity supplies are interrupted continually for hours at a time.

Leaders of the DEI electricity union were to meet Economy Minister Georges Suflias later on Monday, and were due to decide later whether to extend their strike which had been set to end on Monday.

Union president Nocos Bakulis said that the strike did not affect hospitals, airports, military units and schools, but Deputy Health Minister Georges Surlas said that many hospitals services including cold stores for vaccines and oxygen bottles, could not be operated.

Emergency hospital services do not respond to emergency calls because staff are on strike.

Mail has not been delivered, and rubbish has not been collected because dustbin services have been hit by strikes for a week.

Domestic and international rail services are at a standstill.

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#90267d2220 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEU-ISENBURG, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 24) - West German charter airline Condor, a subsidiary of Lufthansa, said Monday it had ordered 17 Boeing aircraft worth two billion Deutsche marks (1.25 billion dollars).

The company has ordered nine Boeing 757-200's and eight Boeing 767-300's for delivery between now and mid-1993.

After delivery of the new planes, Condor's all-Boeing fleet will total 32 planes.

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#90267d2320 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 24) - Travellers using the cross-Channel tunnel rail service for cars would be unable to escape if there were a fire, the British firemen's union has warned.

The Fire Brigades Union is objecting to the fact that travellers taking their cars on the rail link through the tunnel will be able to remain inside their vehicles, and that it would be virtually impossible for them to escape if there were a fire.

The union is to distribute a brochure to passengers using current ferry link from next month, asking why the ferry system of forcing passengers to leave their cars during the journey will not apply for the 34-minute tunnel trip.

The tunnel is due to go into service in 1993.

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#90267d2410 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 24) - French subscription television channel Canal Plus said Monday its net profit rose 24.4 percent in the first half of this year over the same period last year to 504 million francs (95 million dollars) from 405 million (76.4 million dollars).

The company said it was expecting turnover for the whole of this year to come close to 6.2 billion francs (1.1 billion dollars), a 15 percent improvement on the 1989 figure, after notching up first half turnover of 3.1 billion francs, a 26.9 percent increase over the first half of last year.

Net consolidated profit is expected to total 870 million francs (164 million dollars) for the year, a 14.4 percent increase.

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#90267d2620 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Munich (SEPT. 24) - Deutsche Aerospace (Dasa), the aerospace unit of the Daimler-Benz concern, said here Monday it sees several new areas of technological cooperation with the Soviet Union, and a first project will focus on cryogen-powered jet planes.

Dasa said talks are being held in Moscow at the international aviation industry exhibition now going on in the Soviet capital.

The first project ready for signing is to be between Deutsche Airbus, which belongs to Dasa subsidiary Messerschmitt-Boelkow-Blohm, and Tupolev for initial development studies for a plane to be powered by cryogen fuel, a mixture of hydrogen and methane.

Erich Riedle, the Bonn government's coordinator for aviation and aerospace affairs, and Soviet Aerospace Minister Appollon Syszov issued a joint statement in Moscow saying that the conditions were in place for the project.

At the Hanover air show four months ago, the Soviet-German ''cryoplane'' project was envisaged for the Airbus plane. Deutsche Airbus had already been studying the concept of hydrogen-powered jet engines, while the Soviets flew a hydrogen-powered Tupolev plane to the Hanover air show.

Other areas of possible cooperation with the Soviets could be in conventional jet engine development and in satellite communications, Dasa said.

A preliminary agreement could be concluded by the end of the year for a joint venture in the field of aviation and aerospace materials, the German company added.

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#90267d2650 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 24) - Iraq staged secret military exercises for at least two years in preparation for its invasion of Kuwait, The Los Angeles Times reported Monday.

The newspaper quoted unidentified U.S. officials as saying the August 2 invasion was part of a war plan drafted as many as five years ago by President Saddam Hussein with an eye to seizing eastern Saudi Arabian oil fields, the newspaper added.

As recently as mid-July, Iraq conducted exercises for forces used in the invasion of the oil-rich emirate, the Times reported.

"The United States was so ill-prepared for the invasion that U.S. warships sent to the Gulf region after the lightning attack had to wait days for maps of Iraq and Kuwait to be loaded into computers for use in guiding weapons," the Times quoted the officials as saying.

Washington says U.S. intelligence agencies provided ample warning that Iraq was capable of attack after Baghdad massed forces along the border with Kuwait weeks before the invasion.

But U.S. policy-makers discounted that build-up as a show of force, administration officials say.

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#90267d2680 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Rome (SEPT. 24) - The United Nations' Food and Agricultural Organisation (Fao) proposed an international convention to save the world's rapidly disappearing forests Monday.

At the start of a four-day conference here, Fao general-Secretary Edouard Saouma told the 87-nation Fao committee on Forestry that the annual rate of tropical deforestation is now about 80 per cent higher that it was 10 years ago.

''We are now talking about 17 million hectares per year, and not 10 or 11 as before,'' he said.

In addition to measures aimed at protecting the rain forests, conference participants plan to discuss forest damage in industrialised countries, particularly in Eastern Europe.

The Fao puts the loss of European production due to forest depletion - caused by emissions of sulphur dioxide, ozone and other industrial wastes - at 30

billion dollars.

Saouma warned of the serious environmental consequences of deforestation, including soil degradation and climate change.

Establishment of an international convention on forests was also endorsed by the leaders of the seven leading industrial democracies at their Houston summit meeting in July.

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#90267d2710 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAPE TOWN (SEPT. 24) - The personal aide to the retired Roman Catholic archbishop of Cape Town was found murdered here on Monday, police said.

A search was launched on Sunday for Father Noel Stanton, 46, when his parents found the door of his presbytery in the Manenberg parish of Cape Town open and the house ransacked.

His body was discovered Monday in a shallow grave between the Philippi black industrial estate and the Mitchell's Plain mixed-race township, police said,

Fr. Stanton had remained personal helper to Archbishop Owen McCann after the latter retired as archbishop of Cape Town in 1984, a church spokesman said.

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#90267d2740 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (SEPT. 24) - A new language called "Edifact" for computer treatment of invoices was introduced here on Monday at the Palais des Nations, one that is compatible with all computers for electronic exchanges between government agencies and businesses.

The chairman of a United Nations committee that helped develop Edifact, Etienne Dreyfus, said the invoicing language was the fruit of 10 years of work aimed at "ending paperwork" and at simplifying exchanges among data processing systems worldwide.

Three hundred experts from 30 countries took part in developing the language, which has already been adopted by the French social security system, the Australians customs agency, and others.

Edifact contains all information needed for drawing up business invoices, in a given order, such as identification of the seller and the buyer, designation of the goods, and prices.

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#90267d2880 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Hamburg (SEPT. 24) - Oil prices surged forward on European markets Monday despite assurances by producers that supplies are plentiful.

In London, North Sea Brent crude rose by more than two dollars to reach 36.05 dollars per barrel.

In Rotterdam, October contracts for Brent reached 38.90 dollars per barrel, up 1.50 dollars from last Friday.

Other petroleum product prices also rose in Rotterdam. Light heating oil increased 9.5 percent to 334 dollars per ton, super-grade petrol rose two percent to 430 dollars, and normal grade petrol went up almost three percent to 380 dollars per ton.

Saudi Arabia meanwhile denied having said at the World Bank conference in Washington that a 65 dollar per barrel price would result if war broke out in the Gulf.

Riyadh said that Saudi Finance Minister Mohammad Abalkhail spoke of a much lower price than that in the event of a war, and that Abalkhail told West German Finance Minister Theo Waigel that current oil supplies did not justify the high prices on the market.

With oil prices rising, stock values were falling in Europe. In Frankfurt, the Dax index dropped 30.52 poins, or 2.1 percent, to hit its 1990 low of 1,416.05 points.

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#90267d3010 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Tunis (SEPT. 24) - Foreign ministers of the Arab League will again discuss moving league headquarters back to Cairo during their regular meeting on Thursday, it was announced Monday.

The controversial move is the only item on the agenda.

Tunisia insists on a timetable for the move, while Egypt considers the matter settled.

During the meeting, the organisation's chairmanship for the next half-year will be passed from the Palestine Liberation Organisation to Qatar.

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#90267d3110 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (SEPT. 24) - At least 10 civilians were injured when mujahedeen gunners fired rockets at the Afghan capital on Sunday night apparently trying to hit a

government silo housing Soviet-made surface-to-surface missiles, a foreign ministry spokesman said Monday.

The spokesman said the mujahedeen fired at least six rockets into neighbourhoods surrounding a military area used for housing and launching Scud missiles, wounding 10 civilians.

Mujahedeen shelling of Kabul has lessened in recent weeks following anti-rebel operations in the nearby hills but the resistance have targetted two Scud bases within the city limits.

The Soviet-backed government fires a daily average of two Scuds, which experts say kill or maim anything within half a kilometer (500 yards) on impact.

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#90267d3140 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Hamburg (SEPT. 24) - Heinrich Bauer Verlag, one of Germany's top publishers, said Monday it achieved 2.14 billion marks (1.36 billion dollars) turnover in 1989, up 6.7 percent from the year before.

The company said the growth came almost solely from increased copy sales of its publications, since advertising revenues were virtually stagnant.

Bauer said its foreign business turnover reached 395 million marks, a 28.5 percent gain over 1988 results. The biggest success was its new women's magazine ''First for Women'' in the United States where per-issue sales now reach nearly three million copies.

Bauer said that it was now in the process of buying several regional newspapers in East Germany. Investments of some 60 million marks had already been made in East Germany.

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#90267d3170 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Beirut (SEPT. 24) - At least three people were killed in heavy clashes between rival Shiite groups in southern Lebanon Monday, police said.

The battles between the Syrian-backed Amal militia and the pro-Iranian Hezbollah flared up as Syrian President Hafez Assad conducted talks with Iranian leaders on regional issues - including the inter-Shiite feud.

The battles, waged with artillery and rockets, took place in the Iqlim Toufah region, about 43 kilometres southeast of Beirut.

The two sides have been locked in combat in this strategic region bordering Israel since December. Over 3,000 people have been killed in two years of

fighting between Lebanon's Shiite groups.

Hezbollah radio charged that Amal was trying to overshadow the Syrian-Iranian summit in Teheran by igniting the battles.

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#90267d3230 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 24) - Brent North Sea crude prices breached the 37 dollars a barrel level in London on Monday as fears of a war in the Gulf intensified.

Brent for November delivery was quoted at 37.25 dollars a barrel in early afternoon trading against 34.80 dollars at the opening and 34.60 dollars at Friday's close.

The rise was due to an "increased view that a military conflict is in the offing" in the Gulf, said Nick Clayton, an analyst with Smith New Court, adding that the price could go as high as 50 dollars if Gulf oil installations were damaged.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein threatened at the weekend to destroy Gulf oil installations and to attack Israel if the United States started a war in the Gulf.

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#90267d3240 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (SEPT. 24) - The Soviet Union has accepted the Nordic countries' offer to update two large nickel smelters in the Kola Peninsula, it was announced here Monday.

An agreement in principle was reached at talks here between Finnish Prime Minister Harri Holkeri and Soviet Vice-Prime Minister V.H. Doguzhiev, who is responsible for environmental affairs in the Soviet government, a Finnish government spokesman said.

Updating of the Kola smelters would cost between 2.5 and 3.5 billion Finnish marks (660 million and 920 million dollars).

Low-interest loans for the purpose will be available from credit establishments of Finland, Norway and Sweden as well as from the Nordic Investment Bank.

The technology offered to the Soviet Union has been developed by Finland's state-run mining and processing company Outokumpu, and the Norwegian Elkem company will deliver part of the smelters.

Finland and other Nordic countries have during the past few years expressed

concern about the pollution caused to the forests in Northern Scandinavia by Soviet industry in the Kola Peninsula.

The two smelters, built some 50 years ago in Petsamo near the Finnish border and in Montchgorsk, 200 kilometers (125 miles) east of the border, emit annually some 470,000 tons of sulphur -- twice that of Finland's total emission.

The Finns say that with the Outokumpu technology 90 to 95 percent of the sulphur emission could be cleaned.

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#90267d3270 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (SEPT. 24) - South Africa's official inflation rate, as measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI), showed an increase in August for the first time this year, rising to 13.6 percent, according to figures released here Monday.

The year-on-year inflation rate was 13.6 percent in August, up from 13.3 percent in July and the same as June's 13.6 percent, the government's Central Statistical Services (CSS) said.

Before May, South Africa's inflation rate had topped 14 percent for more than a year.

Food prices remained the main contributor to the inflation rate. In the year to August these prices rose by a far greater percentage than the inflation rate at 17.6 percent.

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#90267d3400 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOVER, West Germany (SEPT. 24) - West German tyremaker Continental said Monday it had rejected a proposal from Italian group Pirelli to merge their tyre-making operations but agreed to continue negotiations.

Continental considered the Italian group's proposal "in its current form" as a hostile takeover bid, but "the door remains open for other negotiations," Continental board chairman Horst Urban told reporters.

"Not like this, Mr. Pirelli," he said.

Pirelli had proposed that the two groups combine their tyre activities worldwide, with Pirelli taking a stake in the Continental parent company and possibly acquiring a majority stake.

Continental is the world's fourth-largest tyre group with an eight-per-cent

market share, followed by Pirelli in fifth place with a 5.9 percent share.

A merger would not affect the current rankings since the three market leaders have much larger shares: Michelin of France has 24 percent, Goodyear of the United States 19 percent and Bridgestone-Firestone of Japan 17 per- cent, according to Continental.

However, Mr. Urban said cooperation between Pirelli and Continental could strengthen their position in a highly competitive market.

He refused to indicate what form this cooperation might take.

A merger of their tyre activities would create an operation with annual sales totalling 13 billion Deutsche marks (8.1 billion dollars).

Mr. Urban also released details of the complex Pirelli proposal put forward September 17.

Continental would buy Pirelli's tyre activities for between 1.8 billion and 2.2 billion marks (1.1 billion and 1.3 billion dollars), a price which Mr. Urban said was too high, given that the stock market capitalisation of Pirelli Tyre Holding was currently only about 800 million marks.

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#90267d3430 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAVANA (SEPT. 24) - The communist party newspaper Granma said it would be Cuba's only nationwide daily starting October 1, as the government plans to close or scale down other publications due to a shortage of Soviet-supplied paper.

The Cuban press, totally dependent on Soviet-made newsprint, thus becomes the second major victim of a reduction in Soviet aid to Cuba, which has vehemently rejected market-oriented economic reforms adopted by former socialist nations.

In August, the orthodox communist government of Cuban President Fidel Castro unveiled energy conservation measures prompted by cuts in deliveries of Soviet oil.

Granma said it would be available nationwide Monday through Friday but only in Havana on Saturdays.

It said two daily newspapers -- that of the youth communist league and the newspaper of Cuba's labor unions -- will become weekly's. Another daily, the army newspaper, will be closed down "so long as current conditions continue."

The weekly newspaper Bohemia and 15 provincial newspapers will continue operations so long as paper supplies permit it and the national press is not

affected by their publication, Granma said.

The rest of Cuba's newspapers, magazines and publications will close down, and journalists working for them are urged to seek jobs at broadcast media, it added.

Cuba's two paper mills have closed due to a lack of paper pulp, Granma noted.

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#90267d3480 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MARSEILLES, FRANCE (SEPT. 24) - A pilot was killed Monday when a gust of wind sent his fire-fighting Tracker plane crashing into a mountainside in Corsica, the fire department said.

The accident happened near Galeria, about 50 kilometers (30 miles) south of Calvi, the capital of the French Mediterranean island.

Fires in Corsica and the south of France have been rekindled since the Mistral a northerly wind gusting to 140 kilometers-per-hour (90 miles-an-hour), started blowing Monday morning.

In Cannes, several buildings were evacuated when fires reached the seaside resort city. Several elderly persons were taken to hospitals and treated for smoke inhalation.

Fires have already destroyed more than 11,000 hectares (27,000 acres) of woodland in the Draguignan region of southeast France.

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#90267d3580 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 24) - French industrial group Bollore announced Monday that it has strengthened its stake in Rivaud by buying the shares held in that group by Sasea and Comfinance.

The communique said Bollore and the Rivaud Group want to "develop a joint industrial strategy".

The whole deal is worth 1.7 billion francs (320 million dollars), the announcement said.

Bollore acquired 44.5 percent of Socfin (Financiere des Caoutchoucs) and 36.5 percent of Plantations des Terres Rouges, two Rivaud Group holding companies, from Sasea and Comfinance, for 1.3 billion francs in cash.

At the same time, it acquired 400 million francs' worth of the Rivaud Group's listed shares in exchange for 19.9 percent of Bollore Energie, 20 per cent of

Calpam (Netherlands, oil products), and 20 percent of Satram (Switzerland).

The communique said that 700 million francs of the 1.3-billion-franc cost of the first transaction will be financed by Albatros Investissement, which will put through a cash capital increase of a billion francs, "750 million of which are already assured".

The remaining 600 million francs will be financed by CLinvest of the Credit Lyonnais banking group, which will invest 350 million francs directly in the capital of Compagnie des Glenans, a new holding company that is a subsidiary of Albatros Investissement, and 250 million francs in Sofical shares, making a 10 percent stake acquired from Bollore Technologies.

Following the operations, Compagnie des Glenans, grouping all Albatros Investissement holdings in the Rivaud Group, will be 79 percent controlled by Albatros and 21 percent by CLinvest.

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#90267d3620 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (SEPT 24) - The Egyptian Oil Ministry decided on Monday to raise Egyptian crude oil prices by three dollars a barrel, the Middle East News Agency reported.

The new oil prices are as follows: - Gulf Crude 37.30 dollars - Suez Crude 37 - Balaim 36.15 - Ras Badran 35 - Ras Ghareb 34.70

Egypt, not a member of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), sells its oil on the spot market. It sets its prices to reflect changes on that market, while complying with OPEC directives.

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#90267d3630 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 24) - French insurance group Assurances Generales de France said Monday it had bought Belgian company l'Escaut from Prudential of Britain for 9.4 billion Belgian francs (293 million dollars).

The tie-up between AGF's 100 percent owned Belgian subsidiary AGF Belgium and l'Escaut will hold five percent of the Belgian market and rank seventh among Belgian insurance concerns.

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#90267d3680 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Lagos (SEPT. 24) - Some 1,000 angry Nigerian Moslems stormed the U.S. consulate in Kaduna, northern Nigeria, at the weekend protesting the U.S. presence in the Gulf, the mass-circulation Times newspaper reported here

Monday, quoting American embassy sources.

Fifteen of the demonstrators, who converged on the consulate on Friday, were said to have climbed the walls of the premises and set the American flag alight. No casualties were reported.

The demonstrators chanted anti-American slogans criticising the U.S. military build-up and accused Washington of ''soiling Islamic holy places'' in the Gulf.

There was no immediate official Nigerian reaction to a reported protest by the U.S. ambassador to Nigeria Lannon Walker over the demonstration. Nigeria is a multi-religious country, with Moslems dominating the northern part of the nation.

The military government, after an initial statement condemning the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, had in the past week received the envoys of Iraq, Kuwait and Iran, using the Iranian envoy's visit on Wednesday to announce the government's support for U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

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#90267d3790 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 24) - The Paris Bourse was whacked again on Monday, as the CAC-40 stock price index fell by 2.66 percent on the day, after opening with a loss of 1.14 per cent.

Operators said the market had been depressed early in the day, and the mood worsened late in the session when Wall Street opened lower.

"We're just following the other markets down", one annoyed trader commented. "There's no reason to buy" (stocks), said a trader for a major bank.

Operators mentioned the usual reasons for the somber Bourse mood: the Gulf conflict, high oil prices, and a limping U.S. economy. They said that under present circumstances, there could well be a bloodbath on the Tokyo exchange on Tuesday.

Volume was low due to shortage of cash, and only arbitragers were much in evidence on a Bourse abandoned by investors.

Financial issues again suffered, UFB Locabail plunging by 8.9 percent and Compagnie Bancaire, its parent company, more than six per cent. BNP and Credit Lyonnais investment certificates were also manhandled.

Compagnie de Suez ended at 277.90 francs, off 5.2 percent on the day, against the public sale price of 317 francs when the firm was privatized in October 1987.

The biggest drops Monday were suffered by Radiotechnique, off 11.6 percent, and Moulinex, down 9.7 percent.

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#90267d3890 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (SEPT 24) - Director-general Edouard Saouma of the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) proposed Monday the establishment of an international convention to save the world's fast-disappearing forests.

The annual rate of tropical deforestation is now about 80 percent higher than it was 10 years ago, Mr. Saouma told representatives from 87 countries meeting in Rome to discuss the alarming deforestation problem.

"We are now talking about 17 million hectares per year, and not 10 or 11 (million) as before," he said.

"Furthermore it is now clear that forests in industrialized countries, especially but not exclusively those in eastern Europe, have been severely damaged by pollution caused by emissions of sulphur dioxide, ozone and other industrial wastes," the FAO director-general said.

"The annual loss of production from forest depletion is estimated at 30 billion dollars in Europe alone," Mr. Saouma said.

He warned of the serious environmental consequences of deforestation, including soil degradation and climate change. "Environmental protection is essential to the survival of the environment," he said.

The FAO director-general called for the setting up of a tropical forest fund to "provide financial and technical backstopping and planning support for the developing countries".

"At the same time, however not enough thought is given to providing the forestry sector with the indispensable additional resources," he said.

Plans for an international convention on forests was included in the agenda of the last G-7 (seven leading western industrialised states) meeting in July in Houston.

The convention should make the transfer of funds from the North to the South possible under particularly favorable conditions, Mr. Saouma said.

Some 81 developing countries have requested aid for threatened tropical forests.

Africa is the most threatened by deforestation, acording to FAO figures, with a loss of 4.8 million hectares each year between 1981 and 1990, or 1.7 per

cent of its entire forest cover.

Asia lost 4.7 million hectares or 1.4 percent per year of its forest cover in the same period, and Latin America lost 7.3 million hectares or 0.9 percent.

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#90267d3900 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bonn (SEPT. 24) - The West German government plans to spend an extra 7.5 billion marks (4.8 billion dollars) on social security payments for East Germany as part of a supplementary budget to help cover the cost of unification, officials said here Monday.

Finance Minister Theo Waigel, who held talks with ministerial colleagues Monday on unification costs, will present the budget to the cabinet on Friday for a decision expected a week later.

Last month, Waigel said he was seeking approval for extra budget spending of some 20 billion marks (12.7 billion dollars).

But the amount is expected to rise as a result of an interest-free loan of 13 billion marks to the Soviet Union to help cover the cost of troop withdrawals from East Germany and a 3.3-billion-mark payment to countries affected by the Gulf crisis.

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#90267d3970 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 24) - Growing concerns at recessionary pressure, particularly in the United States, weighed on London Metal Exchange (LME) copper and zinc prices here Monday.

Three-months copper was quoted at 1,462 pounds per ton in after-hours kerb trading, against 1,456 in afternoon ring deals and 1,508 on Friday, while three-months zinc was quoted at 1,380 dollars against 1,367 and 1,418.

Aluminium was also weaker. The metal has firmed strongly in recent weeks on worries over the status of existing and proposed refinery capacity in the Gulf States area.

However, traders said that its failure last week to break conclusively above the 2,100 dollar per ton mark for three-months metal had led to profit-taking at higher levels.

Three-months aluminium was quoted at 1,993 dollars per ton on the kerb against 1,990 on the ring and 2,098 on Friday.

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#90267d3990 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 24) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,442.00 (1,577.50) 1,455.50 (1,507.50)
Lead 432.50 (442.00) 444.50 (452.50)
Zinc Sh 1,410.50 (1,482.50) 1,364.50 (1,417.50)
Tin 5,860.00 (5,815.00) 5,970.00 (5,930.00)
Aluminium 2,097.50 (2,227.50) 1,987.50 (2,096.50)
Nickel 10,150.00 (9,825.00) 9,982.00 (9,662.00)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90267d4000 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KATHMANDU (SEPT. 24) - Armed dissidents entered the tiny kingdom of Bhutan and clashed with government troops, leaving casualties on both sides, a spokesman for the dissidents and Bhutanese officials said Monday.

Opposition Bhutan Peoples Party (BPP) spokesman D.P. Kafle said more than 200 people were killed and more than 1,500 arrested in the violence between Wednesday and Saturday. He also claimed troops raped women demonstrators.

The dissidents are of Nepalese origin and are now living in the Indian border state of West Bengal, Mr. Kafle said by telephone from Birtamore, 390 kilometers (240 miles) southeast of here.

A spokesman for the Bhutanese Embassy in New Delhi confirmed that there was "some violence" in the south, but dismissed as "absolutely unbelievable" the report that 200 people were killed.

"Some dissidents came up (across the border) to the Samchi area as well as other parts of southern Bhutan with guns, rifles and homemade hand grenades, with no provocation," the spokesman said.

He said there "may be one or two casualties on our side," referring to government troops, and "perhaps some casualties" among the dissidents. The spokesman added that he was "not sure" if anyone had been killed.)

Bhutanese of Nepalese origin are the majority in southern Bhutan and form 30 to 40 per cent of the total Bhutanese population. They charge that King Jigme Singye Wangchuk is trying to achieve the "Bhutanesation" of the country.

They claim government discrimination in employment, and violations of human

rights. The king introduced a code of conduct last year banning the Nepalese language and dress.

Mr. Kafle said that between September 19 and 22, a total of 22,000 people joined protest marches in seven areas in southern Bhutan.

He claimed that at Sebroo, 420 people were trapped by army troops and 40 of them were shot dead by the district officer, Lhakpa Dorje. Many others were pushed over a mountain slope, he said, quoting his party's reports.

The BPP spokesman said demonstrators belonging to the Bhutan Students Union and Bhutan Forum for Protection of Human Rights (BFPHR) last Thursday were blocked by bulldozers when they tried to cross a border bridge.

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#90267d4020 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ZURICH (SEPT. 24) - The Zurich stock market dropped on Monday on the latest Iraqi threats against Gulf oilfields and on higher oil prices, operators said.

The Swiss Performance Index shed 21.2 points on the day to finish at 928, down 2.28 percent. The Swiss Bank Corp. indicator ended at 531.5 against 543.5 on Friday, while the Credit Suisse index finished at 500.7 against 512.1.

In electricals, BBC registered stock plunged by 10.23 percent on the day, and bearer stock 8.64 percent.

In telecommunications, Zellweger was down 9.84 percent, while Maag (machines) bearer stock managed a 3.22 percent rise.

In the insurance sector, the Generale de Berne participation certificate lost 9.52 percent, while in banks Leu Holding fell 9.04 percent.

Operators said they did not expect any major change in the downtrend in the near future.

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#90267d4190 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 24) - A landmark agreement Monday established South Africa's first non-racial local government body for its largest commercial city, Johannesburg, and neighbouring Soweto, a government official confirmed.

Known as the Soweto Accord, the agreement brings together the Transvaal Provincial Administration (TPA), a local government body, and four representatives of the country's largest urbanised black township Soweto in a Metropolitan Chamber.

The white-run Johannesburg City Council will be invited to become the sixth signatory of the accord, said TPA official Fanie Ferreira, and is expected to do so Tuesday.

The Chamber will plan a new non-racial city government that eventually could be run off a single budget and thereby address the many disparities between impoverished Soweto and wealthy Johannesurg, TPA official Fanie Ferreira said.

Apartheid policies, which have governed the country for decades, have thusfar seen racially-segregated areas controlled separately.

"This is just the start of trying to solve many important problems which come to the fore in the negotiating process," Mr. Ferreira told AFP.

The development is in line with current government thinking to regionalise the country in attempts to solve regional problems and bring about non-racial democratic government, he added.

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#90267d4230 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (SEPT 24) - About 200 armed troops ringed Abidjan university campus in Ivory Coast's biggest city on Monday after students rampaged through the grounds to stop lectures resuming.

Using sticks and stones, the undergraduates smashed windows in faculty and administrative buildings, and damaged a score of cars, most of them belonging to staff. Several were overturned.

Some riot police were stationed at the vice-chancellor's office, which was a prime target. Most students eventually went home and by late afternoon about 50 police remained on campus.

Ivory Coast authorities closed the university down in April during student unrest in which a policeman killed a college pupil.

Courses were resumed two weeks ago but have been constantly disrupted because of opposition in the main student union, FESCI, which says it represents two-thirds of the country's 22,000 students in higher education, and SYNARES, a graduate student union.

They want a completely new academic year to make up for the missing months this year, but the authorities are planning final exams at the end of this calendar year.

Students were angered by a televised speech Sunday by University rector Bakary Thio-Toure which was critical of student union demands.

Clashes broke out last Monday between students opposed to the resumption of clashes and administration supporters. The rector announced the following day measures supporting the students and decided to create "vigilante committees" to guarantee safety on campus.

But the formation of vigilante committees raised the ire of the graduate student union which organised a campus demonstration last Friday.

Student agitation for a complete new academic year began when students returned to classes on September 12. Despite some government measures to appease the students, FESCI said it was determined to follow through on its demands for a complete new calendar year.

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#90267d4310 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) - The top policy-making body of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) Monday said higher oil prices must be passed on to consumers, and instructed the fund to get ready to assist countries seriously hit by the economic fall-out from the Gulf crisis.

The IMF's 22-country Interim Committee endorsed a strategy aimed at countering inflationary pressures and minimizing the adverse impact of the crisis on economic growth prospects.

In a communique, the panel, consisting of finance ministers of industrial and developing countries, cautioned that any attempt to "insulate domestic energy prices through subsidies or price controls" or to offset dearer oil by wage increases, "would only serve to fuel inflationary expectations."

It said this would in turn require "tighter fiscal and monetary policies" at a later stage.

IMF Managing Director Michel Camdessus said this was the most important policy message conveyed by the text, which also said "credible actions to lower fiscal deficits" remained "urgent" and stressed the "crucial role" of "stability-oriented monetary policy" in preventing a wage-price spiral.

Structural reforms by industrial and developing countries alike formed the third leg of the strategy, the communique indicated.

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#90267d4390 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT 24) - The nuclear energy program in the Soviet Union shares a common problem with that in Western countries -- everyone wants more energy, but no one wants a nuclear reactor in his own backyard.

A number of industrial enterprises have been informed that their energy supply will be cut by 20 percent this winter, Deputy Minister of Energy and and Atomic Industry Boris Nikipelov told a group of reporters here last week.

More than four years after the Chernobyl disaster the nuclear energy program is confronted with a growing ecology movement hostile to nuclear energy, while central authorities have slipped into a state of paralysis.

Current civilian nuclear capacity has risen to 37.5 (gigawatts) at 15 nuclear facilities, with six more under construction. But that is far short of the 1985 nuclear energy program goal of 190 GW to 200 GW by the year 2000.

Mr. Nikilev admitted that even if all current capacity were utilised, the program could reach 80 GW, and possibly 115 GW by the year 2000. But in August the ministry predicted a more attainable increase of only 22 GW.

The hurdles facing the nuclear energy program are not only technical.

In Rostov, a first reactor is scheduled to go on line this winter, but regional authorities are opposed.

In Bashkirskaya, in the Crimea, in Tartarskaya, the story is the same -- the local people don't want nuclear reactors.

In Armenia, the nuclear power plant that stood up to a severe 1988 earthquake, has not been able to resist public pressure. It has been closed.

Chernobyl's remaining nuclear reactors are to be shut down by 1995.

The power plant in Gorki, expected to be completed soon, has been rejected by local authorities, something all the more regrettable, according to Mr. Nikipelov, because it is equipped with a highly reliable ATS passive safety system.

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#90267d4410 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (SEPT. 24) - Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda proposed here Monday that Zambia's constitution be changed this year to allow a multi-party democracy, and called off a proposed referendum on the issue.

Mr. Kaunda, president of Zambia since it became independent from Britain in 1964, has been a consistent supporter of Zambia's one-party system. But he is facing growing pressure from advocates of a multi-party system.

He also proposed Monday the liberalisation of labour legislation that would dilute the power of his main political opponent, the Zambian Congress of Trade Unions (ZCTU).

Mr. Kaunda was addressing the 600-member national council of his ruling United National Independence Party (UNIP), which is to rule on his proposals by Saturday. UNIP turned Zambia into a one-party state in 1972.

The president said Zambia, as a developing country, could not afford the "luxury" of a political debate on whether to retain its one-party system.

The referendum had been scheduled for August next year but the associated campaign, which began three months ago, would lead to bloodshed if allowed to continue, he said.

"I do not want to split this country into two camps. I do not want to encourage the campaign for or against multi-parties because I see bloodshed at the end of the road and I see disaster for the country," he said.

The decision to abandon the referendum and introduce a multi-party system would deny his political opponents, the supporters of such a system, the chance to divide the country and create anarchy, he said.

Mr. Kaunda also proposed the liberalisation of labour legislation that would allow trade unions to operate independently of the ZCTU, which he accused of "behaving like a political party".

The ZCTU has been at the forefront of campaigns against Mr. Kaunda's leadership and its leader, Fredrick Chiluba, has been the most eloquent campaigner for a multi-party democracy.

The ZCTU has drawn much of its strength as a mass labour movement from a law making it mandatory for all trade union organisations to join the congress.

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#90267d4440 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (SEPT. 24) - Syrian President Hafez al-Assad met here Monday with the leader of an Iraqi Shiite opposition group based in the Iranian capital to discuss the Gulf crisis, the group said.

Mr. Assad said in his meeting with Mohammad Baqir al-Hakim, head of the Supreme Council of the Islamic Revolution of Iraq, that the opposition should "guard their unity in the face of the Baghdad regime".

"Syria will stand by the Iraqi opposition," the group quoted the Syrian president as saying. "Syria is fully prepared to confront the dangers created by the Iraqi aggression against Kuwait."

The opposition group told Agence France-Presse that the meeting lasted more than two-and-a-half hours, during which Mr. Hakim said the Iraqi people had

been "taken hostage by the Baghdad regime".

The Shiite leader recently said he could immediately mobilize 50,000 fighters against the government of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

In the Syrian capital, Kurdish guerrilla chief Jellal Talibani said earlier Monday that Iraqi opposition forces were close to agreeing on "common action" against Baghdad.

"Points of view are converging and there will be an announcement soon, during a general congress, of an agreement on the general principles of common action " added the leader of the Patriotic Union of (Iraqi) Kurdistan.

Mr. Talibani said the meetings were taking place in Damascus, while sources close to Islamic opposition parties said the congress itself could take place in Syria or Lebanon.

Syria and Iraq are long-standing rivals.

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#90267d4460 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (SEPT 24) - The chief of police in Romania, General Corneliu Diamandescu, has been "dismissed" and will be "transfered to other duties", the state news agency Rompres reported on Monday.

Gen. Diamandescu will move from the Interior Ministry, where he was a secretary of state, to the Defence Ministry, Rompres said.

The move came the day after the general punished several police officers for allegedly failing to stop demonstrators "assaulting" members of the ruling party during a ceremony Saturday commemorating the December revolution.

He had said that police on duty at University Square were "unconcerned" when about a dozen people attacked a delegation of the National Salvation Front who had come to lay a wreath in honour of those killed there last December.

Gen. Diamandescu took over as police chief on April 25 after his predecessor, General Jean Moldoveanu, had been sacked for opposing the use of force against anti-government demonstrators.

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#90267d4820 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) - The United States Monday termed "outlandish and outrageous" a weekend threat by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to attack Israel and to destroy Arab state oil fields if Iraq were attacked by U.S. forces.

"We're not going to respond to yet another outlandish and outrageous statement " said State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler.

Mr. Hussein vowed Sunday that Gulf oil states and Israel would be swept away in a torrent of violence if Iraq were strangled by a U.N. trade embargo and attacked by the United States.

Miss Tutwiler characterized the Iraqi leader's threats as part of "a series of seven weeks' worth of irresponsible statements."

In Iraq, nine Americans were arrested over the weekend, bringing to at least 93 the number of Americans detained there, the State Department said.

One of the nine Americans arrested was sick and was among 69 people the United States had pressed the Iraqi Government to evacuate immediately because they needed emergency medical care, Miss Tutwiler said.

She added that it was "particularly deplorable" that Iraq had ignored the U.S. demand and instead arrested those who are ailing.

Another American was arrested Saturday as he about to board the last plane to evacuate Americans out of Baghdad, said the spokeswoman.

There were 600 to 700 American men, women and children still in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait and another 300 to 350 in Iraq, she said. She declined to be more specific, saying many of them were in hiding.

Miss Tutwiler said the United States would do nothing to either prevent or facilitate attendance by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tarek Aziz at the U.N. General Assembly which began debate in New York on Monday.

She said no decision had been made on whether Mr. Aziz would be allowed to come to the United States aboard an Iraqi aircraft, or be required to take an airliner of another nationality.

Mr. Hussein's remarks on Sunday, read by his spokesman on Baghdad television, came two days ahead of a ministerial-level meeting of the U.N. Security Council to determine if the U.N. trade embargo against Iraq should be extended to include air traffic.

The sanctions on land and sea trade were approved by the council after the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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#90267d4840 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) - President George Bush told a group of Arab-Americans

Monday that ethnically-motivated hate crimes in the United States ''have no place in a free society'' and ''must end''.

Bush addressed about 200 Arab-Americans, telling them ''bigotry and hate still do exist in this country'' and that he was aware of the death threats and harassment.

Arab American organisations have reported an increase in anti-Arab epithets, threats, and discrimination since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait August 2.

Asked about the situation in the Gulf, the president said the administration would not negotiate with the Iraqi government until it withdraws its troops from Kuwait.

Asked why Washington was acting in concert with Syria when that country still had troops in Lebanon, Bush said he regretted not being able to do more for Lebanon, but that ties between nations were changing in view of the crisis.

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#90267d4860 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (SEPT. 24) - The exiled ruler of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, will travel Tuesday to New York for the 45th session of the U.N. General Assembly, the Gulf News Agency (GNA) reported Monday.

The Manama-based agency said Sheikh Jaber was to address the General Assembly session, expected to be dominated by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The emir will be accompanied by a senior government delegation, including Foreign Minister Sabah al-Ahmad al-Sabah and Finance Minister Ali al-Khalifa al-Sabah, the agency said in a dispatch from the western Saudi resort of Taif.

The ruling family has taken refuge in Taif since the August 2 invasion.

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#90267d4900 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) - Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani Monday began a flurry of meetings with Congressmen here to warn them that any cutoff in U.S. aid to his country might intensify guerrilla warfare there.

Mr. Cristiani had meetings scheduled with some 50 Congressmen who want to place conditions on 85 million dollars in aid to El Salvador in 1991.

Those conditions include progress in peace talks between the government and rebels, and progress in the investigation into the murder of six Jesuit priests last November in San Salvador.

The United States pumped four-billion dollars in economic and military aid into El Salvador during the past decade.

Salvadoran Ambassador Miguel Salavarria has said any reduction in U.S. aid might induce leftist guerrillas in his country to break off peace talks begun a year ago and step up their armed offensive.

Negotiations between Mr. Cristiani's government and the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front broke off last week on a disagreement over the future role of the armed forces.

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#90267d4910 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 24) - Iraq is ready ''to fight for 1,000 years for Kuwait'', Baghdad radio Monday quoted Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as saying.

''Kuwait is Iraq''. We will not give it up even if we had to fight for 1,000 years'', the president was reported as saying.

Saddam, speaking to a visiting Islamic delegation, said Kuwait had been historically part of Iraq and only became independent through colonial separation carried out by Britain.

The Iraqi occupation of Kuwait had returned the territory to the Iraqi nation, Saddam said.

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#90267d4920 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (SEPT 24) - Seven Egyptian doctors have arrived here from Kuwait with tales of how Iraqi soldiers were stealing food from the mouths of patients in Kuwaiti hospitals and demanding treatment at gunpoint.

"Iraqi soldiers would come in to the operating theatres with guns in their hands, forcing us to give priority to their wounded," said one doctor, addressing a press conference Monday.

The seven said that after more than a month in Kuwait under Iraqi occupation, they could work no longer "in terror" and decided jointly to leave.

"We tried to talk to (the soldiers') superiors, to say that we could not carry on working like that, but nothing helped," said Dr. Hussein Al Bacha, anaesthetist at Al-Sabah Hospital, which has been renamed Saddam Hospital.

The doctor, who left Kuwait on September 5, told how the Iraqi soldiers would take food meant for the sick, at gunpoint.

Eventually, there was nothing left in the hospital -- no supplies, no medicines. "The Iraqis took everything they could lay their hands on," said Dr. Farid Ghazaoui, who treats allergies and has worked in Kuwait for 20 years.

"So I just stayed home, where my patients would call me. But the Iraqis came looking for me and, when I refused to go back to the hospital under their control, they threatened to courtmartial me. That is why I left," he said.

Several medical buildings, such as a geriatric centre, a psychiatric hospital and a reception centre for the handicapped, were turned into barracks after the occupants were turfed out, said the doctors.

They said the Kuwaiti hospitals were looted (by Iraqi officers) "at a very high level".

Dr. Jilan Abdelwahab, who worked at Kuwait's new military hospital, commissioned last November, said that over 300 Iraqi soldiers were treated there in the first three days following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

She added: "After that, the Iraqis repatriated their wounded to Iraq while they waited for new Iraqi doctors to arrive. I don't believe they wanted us to know how many of their men were wounded."

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#90267d4970 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT 24) - Military authorities have arrested a senior member of a leading Burmese opposition party, charging him with possessing and publishing illegal material, Radio Rangoon reported Monday.

U Kyi Hla, 43, an executive committee member of the National League for Democracy (NLD), was arrested Thursday on charges of publishing illegal books, pamphlets and documents, the official radio said in a dispatch monitored here.

Mr. Kyi Hla, who also headed the party's information section, had allegedly written books and pamphlets attacking the current military government as well as criticizing former and present military leaders.

The arrest of Mr. Kyi Hla brought to seven the number of top NLD members arrested after the general election on May 27.

The NLD made a clean sweep in the general election but the government has not yet transferred power to the party.

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#90267d5190 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEWCASTLE, England (SEPT. 24) - England's solo sailor David Cowper was given

a hero's welcome as he completed his record-breaking 'round-the-world' voyage on Monday.

The 48-year-old chartered surveyor was greeted by a flotilla of small craft, a band playing 'Rule Britannia' and a flag-waving crowd as his converted former lifeboat moored in St Peter's Basin on the River Tyne.

His historic voyage in his 42ft boat, Mabel E Holland, included the first solo navigation of the North West Passage and was the first lone 'round-the-world' trip by that route.

"It has been a most rousing welcome which gave me quite a lump in my throat. I am most relieved to get the boat back. At times I feared she wouldn't make it " he said.

Despite facing numerous dangers, Cowper hinted his taste for epic travel had not been satisfied. But he said he was keeping his next venture a secret in case somebody else beat him to it.

Cowper's 30,000-mile journey took more than 50 months, making it the slowest of his four lone circumnavigations since 1979.

He opted to reach the Pacific Ocean via the frozen waters of the 2,200-mile North West Passage around the Arctic coasts of Canada and Alaska.

Two months after leaving the Tyne in July 1986, his boat was trapped in pack ice. He continued his journey two years later but the 33-year-old boat was again halted by pack ice again after 1,500 miles.

"Considering all she has been through and the fact she has not been properly serviced for over four years, she is in an incredible condition. She really is a tough old girl," said Cowper.

Cowper's previous voyages include two fastest round-the-world trips.

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#90267d5240 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PANAMA CITY (SEPT. 24) - A Panamanian official Monday dismissed reports that a close aide to ousted strongman Manuel Antonio Noriega was in Miami, Florida, to testify against his former boss, who is facing trial on drug trafficking charges.

Deputy Security Minister Ramon Lima said "there is no confirmation" that Mr. Noriega's former chief of security, Captain Elicier Gaytan, had been smuggled out of Panama a week ago by U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) agents.

Mr. Elicier last week abandoned the Vatican Nunciature here, where he had been

holed up since the December 20 U.S. miltary invasion of Panama.

Local newspapers quoted "reliable sources this weekend as saying the DEA had arrested Mr. Elicier and secretly whisked him out of Panama to testify against Mr. Noriega.

U.S. officials in Panama have neither confirmed nor denied reports of Mr. Elicier's whereabouts.

Papal Nuncio Sebastian Laboa also doubted Mr. Elicier was in the United States.

It "seems an unlikely destination for Mr. Noriega's former bodyguard," since he had always been interested in seeking asylum in either Spain or Argentina, he said.

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#90267d5270 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANTO DOMINGO (SEPT. 24) - A powerful bomb killed three students and injured two others at a leftist students' union at the Autonomous University here, Police Chief Jose Ramon Mota Paulino said Monday.

One of the injured students was in "very serious condition," he added.

The seemingly accidental blast occurred Sunday in a room of the Revolutionary Students' Union, where police later found eight other unexploded, home-made bombs and materials to build them.

Two people were arrested and a search was under way for the remaining student union leaders, the police chief said.

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#90267d5430 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT 24) - The U.N. Security Council Monday unanimously adopted a resolution calling for consideration of aid requests by all countries suffering economic hardship as a result of the U.N. embargo against Iraq.

The 15-member council called on its sanctions committee to look into the matter and make "recommendations to the president of the Security Council for appropriate action."

Some 15 countries, including India, Jordan, Yemen, Sri Lanka, Bulgaria and Romania have already approached the sanctions committee to explain the economic cost of the mandatory U.N. sanctions imposed in a bid to force Iraq to end its occupation of Kuwait.

Jordan was one of the first countries to bring its case to the council. But a draft resolution aimed at rushing aid to Amman was opposed by the United States on the ground that it might lead to similar texts for countries suffering economic pproblems, diplomatic sources said.

The Council in the end opted for a resolution that would encompass all aid requests resulting from the effects of the embargo.

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#90267d5500 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT 24) - The United States Monday tried to avert a possible Salvadoran rebel attack against the U.S. Embassy in San Salvador after guerrillas alleged the mission was playing a military role.

The incident coincided with a visit to Washington by rightist Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani to defend U.S. economic and military aid to the tiny war-torn country.

The State Department said a communique signed by the leftist Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) which appeared in a Salvadoran newspaper Saturday called on the group's leaders "to consider the personnel and installations of the U.S. Government as targets."

"We cannot judge the authenticity of this statement, however, we state categorically that American Embassy personnel are involved in no military or police operations whatsoever," the department said.

Salvadoran press reports that embassy personnel had arrested some of the rebels prompted the FMLN statement, said the department.

U.S. officials said Salvadoran police protecting the diplomatic mission had arrested five suspected rebels who attempted to flee in a taxi after allegedly bombing a nearby light pole.

"Salvadoran civilian guards under contract to provide security to the U.S. Embassy were in the vehicle with the police," the State Department said. "These guards played no role in the arrest of the suspects. No U.S. Embassy staff were in any way involved in the matter."

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#90267d5710 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (SEPT 25) - The 12 E.C. countries plan to issue a ''Trans-Atlantic Declaration'' cementing ties between the continent and America on such issues as the Gulf crisis, German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher announced here Monday.

His comments came as common market ministers gathered for preliminary talks on the plan and other issues with Secretary of State James Baker Tuesday evening in New York. The Gulf crisis tops the agenda of the meeting.

Genscher also said he and Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati had agreed on a broad array of subjects during talks earlier Monday.

The Iranian minister stressed on the periphery of the U.N. General Assembly session Monday that Teheran remains committed to Security Council resolutions aimed at getting Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

Velayati told the General Assembly, ''It is the firm conviction of the Islamic Republic of Iran that faithful commitment to and compliance with the relevant Security Council resolutions by all countries, particularly Iraq, is the only path to the establishment of peace and tranquility in our area.''

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#90267d5740 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 24) - The United States and Angola have agreed to ship food rapidly to tens of thousands of people facing starvation in both government and rebel-held areas of the southern African country, a U.S. official said Monday.

An agreement struck last Wednesday at an undisclosed location said both sides "agreed on the need for prompt and efficient delivery of relief supplies to all affected populations in Angola."

The agreement was a breakthrough, said Andrew Natsios, who heads the Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance for the U.S. Agency for International Development and has just returned from a two-week tour of Angola.

The joint statement added that "the United States side reiterated its commitment to join with other donors in the U.N.-led efforts to provide the necessary assistance to Angola."

A U.N. plan calls for sending 100,000 tonnes of food to people under control of the Angolan Government.

"The U.N. plan must be implemented immediately," Mr. Natsios warned. "Time is running short. Humanitarian assistance must reach the Angolans in the next 30 to 60 days."

The Luanda government had long resisted U.S. efforts to ship food to starving Angolans, fearing the shipments would be used as a cover to send arms to the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) rebels.

The rebels have been fighting the Marxist government since Angola's

independence from Portugal in 1975 and the United States has helped supply the anti-communist UNITA rebels since 1986.

One U.S. official who spoke on the condition of anonymity said Angolan President Eduardo Dos Santos might have changed his stand because of a vote coming up in Congress next week to increase aid to UNITA, which is headed by Jonas Savimbi. Mr. Savimbi is due in Washington next weekend.

More than half of Angola, the area south of Luanda, has been affected by a severe drought which is variously estimated to have killed between 3,800 and 10,000 people since January.

Mr. Natsios said that in one village he found five children who had been eating nothing but mice.

Angolan officials snubbed Mr. Natsios when he was in Luanda two weeks ago, but the government apparently underwent a change of heart and agreed suddenly to meet his team.

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#90267d5770 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SALTA, Argentina (SEPT 24) - Thirteen children and two adults drowned when a boat capsized on a lake in northern Argentina, police reported Monday.

Only one person was known to have survived. Police said four were missing.

The boat -- presumed to have been overloaded -- capsized around midday Sunday on the lake near the town of Las Lajitas, some 1,400 kilometers (870 miles) north of Buenos Aires.

Nearly all the passengers were the children of farm workers taking a trip to mark the arrival of spring.

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#90267d5920 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) - Major industrial states are preparing to reward China for supporting the embargo against Iraq in the United Nations Security Council by resuming normal economic and financial ties with Beijing, senior Western officials suggested here Monday.

Western governments and multilateral institutions imposed a freeze on lending to China in the wake of the bloody repression of Chinese students' pro-democracy demonstrations in Beijing in June 1989. The sanctions have been gradually eased since early this year.

World Bank president Barber Conable told a news conference the Bank was

"moving toward a normal program (with China) next year."

And French Economy and Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy disclosed Monday that finance ministers of the Group of Seven (G7) countries reviewed relations with China when they met here Saturday.

He told correspondents they discussed China in the light of the "easing of internal conditions" and its attitude in the Security Council debates on the Gulf crisis.

Mr Beregovoy said the G7 ministers made no formal decisions. But he said he thought that "we may move towards a gradual and concerted normalization."

Mr Conable told reporters that the Bank expected to approve one loan to China next month and another in November.

He said he expected a "steady flow" of lending to the country, adding that most of the loans now being considered were designed to support economic reform.

The Bank had held several meetings with Chinese officials here and relations with China were "moving along well," Mr Conable said.

He was replying to questions at a news conference after the semi-annual session of the joint International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank Development Committee, on the eve of the two institutions' annual meetings due to open here Tuesday.

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#90267d6220 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 25) - The Australian share market fell sharply Tuesday, sparked by soaring crude oil prices and falls overnight in Tokyo and New York.

The first few minutes of trading saw the all ordinaries drop 12.8 points, pushing the Australian market fractionally below the important 1,400 support level for the first time since May 10, 1988.

It dived a further 7.2 points, reaching 1,394.5 by 10:30 a.m. local time (0030 GMT).

"The key to this was the fall in the Japanese market this morning, which reacted to the drop in the Dow overnight," said a senior broker with Barclays De Zoete Wedd.

Another broker said that although the index was looking for the market to go weaker and there was general overall weakness, there did not appear to be any panic.

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#90267d6230 09/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WELLINGTON (SEPT. 25) - New Zealand's biggest company, Fletcher Challenge Ltd. (FCL), said Tuesday it has sold its deepwater fishing interests for 190 million New Zealand dollars (117 million U.S.).

In a statement it said Sealord Products Ltd., a subsidiary of Carter Holt Harvey Ltd. (CHH) of New Zealand, had purchased the bulk of the interests.

It said that in a separate transaction the deep-sea vessel Acona had been purchased by American Seafoods Co. of Seattle, Washington.

The Acona and the other interests would sell for an estimated 190 million dollars (117 million U.S.), although the final price would depend on stock levels at settlement date.

CHH's purchase includes 118,000 tons of quota for mainly hoki and orange roughy, a processing plant and office facilities.

Earlier this month FCL sold its inshore fisheries to a consortium of Skeggs Seafoods Ltd. and the Maori Development Corp., both of New Zealand.

FCL announced earlier this year that they were rationalising their business interests and no longer wanted to be involved in fishing.

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#90267e0014 09/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT. 24) EFE - Lithuanian Prime Minister Kazimiera Prunskiene traveled to Moscow Monday for talks with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev that were expected to center on Lithuania's independence.

Radio Moscow announced Prunskiene's departure from Vilnius but gave no details of her visit to Moscow, the second in a week.

Lithuania, one of the three Baltic states annexed in 1940 by the Soviet Union, has frozen its declaration of independence pending negotiations on its future with Moscow.

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#90267e0030 09/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
LISBON (SEPT. 24) EFE - Angloan rebel leader Jonas Savimbi said he would present a proposal which he hoped wONtal this week.

Savimbi, the head of UNITA (National Union for the Total Independence of

Angola), said in a statement received in Lisbon that his delegation was approaching the latest round of talks with the leftist government of Angola in a +positive and flexible+ mood.

This week's talks -- the fourth to be hosted by Portugal this year -- were due to open Monday or Tuesday and are the latest efforts by the opposing sides to end the 15-year-old war.

The previous round, three weeks ago and also in Lisbon, broke down after UNITA insisted on its recognition by the government and demanded that the government begin to dissolve one-party rule as preconditions for a cease-fire.

The government wanted a cease-fire in place before it would consider political changes.

The United States and the Soviet Union, backers of UNITA and Luanda respectively, were invited to attend the Portuguese-mediated talks but will only participate as observers.

Portuguese organiser, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs Jose Durao Barroso, said on his return from Luanda at the weekend that he was +moderately optimistic+ about the outcome of the latest peace efforts.

The Angolan delegation is headed by Antonio Pitra Neto, a close adviser of President Jose Eduardo dos Santos, and the UNITA team by its Lisbon representatives.

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#90267e0034 09/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MANAGUA (SEPT 24) EFE - Some 200 Nicaraguan bus workers Monday again took over state bus company workshops just a day after police dislodged them for the second time in two days.

Radio stations in Managua reported that the workers had moved back overnight, in defiance of police orders, to press President Vilota Chamorro to sell the company to its employees if it is to be privatized as expected.

The action has hit bus services and the Ministry of Transport has given permission for private cars to pick up bus passengers.

Late Saturday 26 workers were released after being arrested that morning when police stormed the workshops to dislodge them from the workshops.

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#90267e0041 09/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PALMA DE MALLORCA, Spain (SEPT. 24) EFE - Spanish Foreign Minister Francisco

Fernando Ordonez warned Monday that no system existed to prevent and manage crises in the Mediterranean and called for nations in the region to set one up.

He was speaking on the first day of the month-long Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, opened by Spain's King Juan Carlos and attended by representatives from 35 European countries.

Ordonez said the latest Gulf tensions "dramatically illustrated the lack of a system in the region to prevent and manage crises".

He said Spain and other European Community nations have proposed the idea of holding a Conference on Security and Cooperation in the Mediterrenean +to create a model for coexistence and stability+.

The new forum would seek to reduce tensions in the Mediterranean by exchanging information on military manuevres and defence issues.

It would be formed by Mediterrenean European countries -- Spain, Italy, France and Portugal -- and other states in the Middle East and the Gulf, according to the minister.

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#90267e0042 09/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (SEPT. 24) EFE - Share prices on the Madrid Stock Exchange fell again to a new 1990 low Monday with the market closing 4.89 points down at 216.31.

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#90267e0043 09/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

CHIHUAHUA, MEXICO (SEPT. 24) EFE - Forty people have died and another 200 were missing after torrential rains caused three dams to overflow near the capital of the northern state of Chihuahua, Mexican rescue authorities reported Monday.

Another 5,000 have been washed out of their homes and 20 injured in the floods which started Sunday after what were described as the worst rains in 90 years in the area, 1,100 km northwest of Mexico City.

With water running as deep as five meters in some parts of the city, rescue crews said some 2,000 shanty homes had been destroyed in the torrent which swept away peopln the area Sunday night by President Carlos Salinas de Gortari with the Army, rescue services, firemen and volunteers shipping in clothes and food for the homeless.

They were also working to restore electricity, fresh water supplies and transport links to the stricken zone as the search went on for survivors.

The National Water Commission said that although rain was still falling and some water continued to flow over the dams, the situation was now 'stable and under control'.

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#90267e0045 09/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SALTA, ARGENTINA (SEPT 24) EFE - Twenty people, including 18 children, drowned when a motor launch sank on a reservoir in northern Argentina, police said Monday.

A 12-year-old girl who survived said the boat slipped beneath the water under the weight of the passengers as it set out Saturday on a pleasure trip organized by a local rancher on the reservoir located 1500 km north of Buenos Aires.

Ana Mejillon, who struggled to safety along with a 11-year-old boy, said water had swamped the deck of the boat which overturned as the children rushed to one side.

She said the rancher had somehow pushed her on to the overturned boat, shouting "I want to die" as he disappeared under the water.

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#90267e0046 09/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (SEPT 24) EFE - The consortium set to take over part of Argentina's ENTel phone company Monday denied reports that its major financial backer, Manufacturers Hanover, had withdrawn from the purchase.

The group headed by Bell Atlantic released an official statement saying, "Manufacturers as well as the other members of the consortium maintain their unchanging interest in the operation."

On Sunday, the Buenos Aires daily Clarin reported that the U.S. bank had pulled out of the purchase of Telco Norte, created to take over ENTel's current operations in northern Argentina, because it could not raise the dlrs 2.1 billion in Argentine debt bonds.

But Argentine business officials involved in the deal said Monday there were no financial problems.

Contributing 49 per cent of the cash, Manufacturers Hanover is the consortium's principal backer, while the rest is divided among Bell Atlantic and Argentine concerns.

President Carlos Menem earlier Monday ruled out giving the sale procedures extra time, saying the October 8 deadline for formalizing the sale was

"unchangeable."

Menem said that if the consortium had problems adhering to the terms of the sale, Telco Norte could go to other groups participating in the bidding.

If Bell Atlantic loses the sale, the government may approach a consortium headed by Italian company STET and France's Cable et Television which lost out in the bidding but is reportedly still interested.

Manufacturers Hanover general director Carlos Agote has admitted that some complications had arisen in the transaction, but said the bank had not lost interest.

"We know we are working with the principal telephone operator in the world and the transaction is, financially, interesting," Agote said.

Telco Sur, accounting for telecommunications in southern Argentina, was bought by Spain's Telefonica together with the U.S. Citibank and the Italian-Argentine company Techint.

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#90267e0064 09/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SAN SALVADOR (SEPT. 24) EFE - Nineteen people were killed or wounded Monday in two separate clashes between leftist Salvadoran guerrillas and the Armed Forces, a military press officer said.

Three soldiers were killed and seven wounded in a clash with rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) in the department of Usulutan about 110 km east of the capital, according to the Armed Forces press office (COPREFA).

Six FMLN rebels were killed in the battle, the official claimed.

In the department of Chalatenango, some 80 km north of San Salvador, the FMLN killed one soldier and wounded two others, the official said, but no details were given on rebel casualties.

Observers said that a renewed rebel offensive has been in the offing since talks in Costa Rica between the FMLN and the government of President Alfredo Cristiani ended in stalemate six days ago.

The United Nations-sponsored talks were the fifth in a monthly series of meetings between the two sides aimed at negotiating a cease-fire and an eventual settlement of the decade-long civil war in El Salvador that has claimed 70,000 lives.

Both sides are scheduled to meet again in Mexico before October 4.

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#90267f2083 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Monday 355.21 off 11.19.

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#90267h0007 09/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
CANBERRA (SEPT. 23) XINHUA - HEROIN USE IN CANBERRA HAS INCREASED THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO A DRUG REFERRAL AGENCY.

THE AGENCY SAID IN A STATEMENT RELEASED TODAY THAT THERE COULD BE AS MANY AS 7,000 HEROIN USERS IN CANBERRA.

THE COORDINATOR OF THE DRUG REFERRAL AND INFORMATION CENTER, MARIAN WATSON, SAID THE NEEDLE EXCHANGE PROGRAM CURRENTLY HAD 1,000 REGISTERS.

WATSON SAID THAT IN THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THIS YEAR THERE WAS A FLOOD OF HEROIN ON THE CANBERRA MARKET WHICH DRASTICALLY INCREASED USAGE.

"SOMEBODY IN THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY WAS MAKING SURE THE SUPPLY WAS REGULAR," WATSON SAID.

SHE SAID SHE HAD HEARD OF SEVERAL DEATHS IN CANBERRA THIS YEAR CAUSED THROUGH HEROIN.

WITH THE AVDENT OF AIDS, WATSON SAID, IT WAS VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE NEEDLE EXCHANGE PROGRAM CONTINUED TO OPERATE.

SHE SAID THAT WHEN THE SUPPLY OF HEROIN IN CANBERRA WAS LOW, THE PURITY OF THE DRUG WAS REDUCED AND COULD CAUSE AN INCREASE IN DEATHS.

DRUG USERS ARE THE MAIN VICTIMS OF AIDS IN AUSTRALIA. IT HAS THE GREATEST NUMBER OF AIDS CASES IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC, OR RANKS SIX AMONG DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. A TOTAL OF 2,263 CASES OF THE DISEASE HAD BEEN REPORTED BY THE END OF JULY THIS YEAR.

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#90267h0052 09/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NEW DELHI (SEPT. 24) XINHUA - INDIA IS ALL SET TO EXPORT 100,000 TONS OF SUGAR, 1 MILLION TONS OF WHEAT AND 500,000 TONS OF RICE IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE, A LOCAL PRESS REPORT SAID TODAY.

THIS WAS ANNOUNCED BY UNION MINISTER FOR FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES NATHU RAM MIRDHA ON SEPTEMBER 21 WHEN HE ADDRESSED A MEETING OF THE BHARAT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE GOOD RAINS THIS YEAR WILL FACILITATE A RECORD KHARIF (MONSOON SEASON) FOODGRAINS PRODUCTION OF 100 MILLION TONS AS AGAINST THE TARGET OF 95 MILLION TONS, ACCORDING TO ANOTHER REPORT TODAY.

MIRDHA ALSO SAID THAT HIS MINISTRY WOULD RELEASE SOON A LIST OF INDUSTRIAL ITEMS AND AGRO-BASED PRODUCTS THAT COULD BE MANUFACTURED IN THE VILLAGE INDUSTRIES SECTOR.

THERE WAS AN URGENT NEED FOR DIVERSIFYING MANUFACTURING TO THE VILLAGE LEVEL AND SOME 3,000 SUCH ITEMS HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED, HE ADDED.

WHILE INDIA WOULD REMAIN A PREDOMINANTLY AGRICULTURAL ECONOMY IN THE FUTURE, MIRDHA SAID, COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY SHOULD EXTEND THEIR EFFORTS TO THE RURAL SECTOR.

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NEW DELHI (SEPT. 24) XINHUA - AN IRAQI EMBASSY OFFICIAL SAID ON SUNDAY THAT HIS COUNTRY HAD OFFERED INDIA CRUDE OIL FREE OF CHARGE FOR 1990 AND 1991.

BUT INDIA WOULD HAVE TO MAKE ITS OWN SHIPPING ARRANGEMENTS, THE IRAQI DIPLOMAT SAID IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE TIMES OF INDIA IN AHMEDABAD, CAPITAL OF WESTERN GUJRAT STATE, ON SUNDAY.

EARLIER, INDIAN OIL INDUSTRY SOURCES HAD DISMISSED IRAQ'S OFFER OF FREE CRUDE TO THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES AS A "CLEVERLY CALCULATED POLITICAL MOVE" TO GAIN SYMPATHY AND BREAK THE U.N.-IMPOSED SANCTIONS.

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DAR ES SALAAM (SEPT. 24) XINHUA - TANZANIA PRESIDENT ALI HASSAN MWINYI HAS CALLED FOR MORE FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN HIS COUNTRY'S SOCIAL SERVICE SECTOR AND ASSURED THAT PRIVATE INSTI- TUTIONS WILL NOT BE NATIONALIZED.

THE PRESIDENT MADE THE CALL HERE YESTERDAY AT A FUND-RAISING CHARITY WALK ORGANISED BY AN INDIAN MEDICAL SERVICE SOCIETY BASED IN TANZANIA.

HE SAID THE TANZANIAN PEOPLE BADLY NEED MORE SOCIAL SERVICE INSTITUTIONS AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT HAS TO BE DRAWN TO THE FIELD, INCLUDING HOSPITALS AND SCHOOLS.

HE URGED THE PRIVATE SOCIAL SERVICE SECTOR AND FOREIGN FIRMS IN THE EAST

AFRICAN COUNTRY TO IMPORT MORE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT INTO THE COUNTRY SO AS TO BRIDGE THE BIG GAP BETWEEN THE PEOPLE'S NEED AND THE GOVERNMENT'S INCAPABILITY TO PROVIDE.

THE PRESIDENT ASSURED THE INDIANS THAT NOBODY WILL NATIONALISE THESE INSTITUTIONS.

TANZANIA NATIONALIZED PRIVATED ECONOMY IN THE EARLY 1970'S. BUT SINCE THE COUNTRY LAUNCHED AN ECONOMIC RECOVERY PROGRAM IN 1986, THE MAJORITY OF THE NATIONALIZED FIRMS HAVE BEEN RETURNED TO THE OWNERS.

PRIVATE FIRMS IN THE SOCIAL SERVICE SECTOR HAVE INCREASED RAPIDLY DURING THE PAST FEW YEARS, INCLUDING PRIVATE CLINICS, HOSPITALS AND SCHOOLS.

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BUDAPEST (SEPT. 23) XINHUA - ABOUT 66,000 HUNGARIANS QUIT FARMING IN THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR, DOUBLING THE NUMBER OF THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, THE HUNGARIAN NEWS AGENCY SAID TODAY.

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT FARMERS WHOO QUIT THEIR JOBS IN THE SECOND HALF OF THIS YEAR WILL WELL MATCH THAT IN THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, THE AGENCY QUOTED STATISTICS FROM HUNGARIAN AGRICULTURAL MINISTRY AS SAYING.

THE STAFF MEMBERS IN STATE-OWNED FARMS WILL THEREFORE DECREASE BY 10 PERCENT AT THE END OF THIS YEAR AND THAT IN COOPERATIVE FARMS BY 8-9 PERCENT, COMPARED WITH AN AVERAGE 4 PERCENT OF EMPLOYMENT DECREASE LAST YEAR, THE AGENCY SAID.

THE DOWNWARD EMPLOYMENT IN AGRICULTURE IS DUE TO A SLUMP MARKET AND THE GOVERNMENT'S REDUCTION OF PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT SUCH AS PRICE SUBSIDIES TO FARMING PRODUCTS IN AREAS WITH AN UNFAVORABLE NATURAL CONDITIONS, THE AGENCY STRESSED.

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CAIRO (SEPT. 24) XINHUA - ISRAELI DEFENSE MINISTER MOSHE ARENS HAS DECIDED TO DEPORT PALESTINIANS IN A GAZA STRIP REFUGEE CAMP WHO WERE INVOLVED IN THE THURSDAY KILLING OF A RESERVE SOLDIER, ISRAEL RADIO REPORTED TODAY.

ARENS HAS ALSO DECIDED TO "WIDEN THE ROAD" WHERE THE INCIDENT OCCURRED, WHICH "WILL MEAN THE DEMOLITION OF HOMES ALONG THE ROAD," AND EVEN OTHER HOUSES IN THE CAMP, SAID THE RADIO.

THE ARMY HAS OFTEN BULLDOZED OR BLOWN UP ARAB HOMES AS PUNISHMENT OF THEIR UPRISING AGAINST ISRAELI OCCUPATION OF THE WEST BANK AND GAZA STRIP SEIZED BY ISRAEL IN 1967. DOZENS OF PALESTINIANS HAVE BEEN DEPORTED IN THE PAST YEARS.

IN GAZA, ISRAELI SOLDIERS HELD THE BUREIJ REFUGEE CAMP, THE HOME OF 20,000 PALESTINIANS, UNDER CURFEW FOR THE FIFTH DAY WHILE COMBING THE AREA FOR SUSPECTS. RESIDENTS OF THE CAMP WHO FLED AFTER THE INCIDENT ARE ALSO BEING SOUGHT BY THE ARMY, SAID THE RADIO.

THE ISRAELI SOLDIER WAS KILLED AFTER HE ENTERED THE CAMP. HIS CAR WAS REPORTED STONED AND SET ON FIRE AFTER IT HIT A CART, INJURING TWO ARAB YOUTHS.

ISRAELI HEALTH MINISTER EHUD OLMERT CLAIMED SUNDAY AFTER THE INCIDENT THAT ISRAELIS SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO SHOOT MORE FREELY AT ARAB STONE-THROWERS.

SINCE THE UPRISING THAT STARTED IN DECEMBER 1987, ISRAELI SOLDIERS HAVE KILLED SOME 730 PALESTINIANS. FORTY EIGHT ISRAELIS HAVE ALSO BEEN KILLED.

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SANAA (SEPT. 24) XINHUA - YEMEN HAS ACCUSED SAUDI ARABIA OF ORDERING THE MAJORITY OF YEMENI STAFFERS TO LEAVE DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS IN THE KINGDOM, THE YEMENI NEWSPAPER "AL- THAWRA" QUOTED A FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL AS SAYING TODAY.

THE OFFICIAL, WHO WAS NOT NAMED, SAID THAT THE SAUDI GOVERNMENT SATURDAY ORDERED ALL BUT FOUR STAFFERS TO LEAVE THE FIFTY-MEMBER YEMENI CONSULATE IN JEDDAH, THE SUMMER CAPITAL OF THE KINGDOM, JUST AS IT DID TO THE YEMENI EMBASSY IN RIYADH.

DIPLOMATIC SOURCES IN RIYADH SAID SATURDAY THAT THE KINGDOM HAD ORDERED ALL BUT THREE STAFFERS EACH TO LEAVE THE YEMENI AND JORDANIAN EMBASSIES IN RIYADH IN A SHARP REACTION AGAINST SUPPORT FOR IRAQ.

THE STATEMENT OF THE YEMENI OFFICIAL CONFIRMED THE SAUDI ORDER WHILE JORDAN HAS SO FAR DENIED THAT IT HAS BEEN INFORMED OF THE EXPULSION ORDER.

YEMENI DIPLOMATS IN RIYADH SAID ITS 50-MEMBER STAFF AT THE EMBASSY IN RIYADH WAS BEING REDUCED AFTER SAUDI ARABIA LAST WEEK ABOLISHED IMMIGRATION AND TRADE PRIVILEGES FOR YEMENIS IN THE KINGDOM.

THE YEMENI OFFICIAL DISMISSED THE SAUDI ALLEGATIONS THAT THESE MEASURES WERE TAKEN "TO PROTECT THE KINGDOM'S NATIONAL SECURITY" AS BASELESS. THE MOVE COULD ONLY SERVE THE ENEMIES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES AND STRAIN RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO NEIGHBOURS, HE SAID.

THE OFFICIAL MADE NO MENTION OF WHETHER THE YEMENI GOVERNMENT WOULD TAKE COUNTER-MEASURES, NOTING THAT SOME TWO MILLION YEMENIS WORKING IN THE KINGDOM NEEDED TO BE LOOKED AFTER BY THEIR GOVERNMENT.

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#90267h0168 09/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 24) XINHUA - IRAQ HAS DECLARED THAT THE KUWAITI CURRENCY, DINAR, INVALID AND BANNED ITS CIRCULATION, THE OFFICIAL IRAQI NEWS AGENCY SAID IN A REPORT PUBLISHED TODAY.

IRAQ WILL REIMBURSE HOLDERS OF THE KUWAITI DINAR WITH THE IRAQI DINAR ON A ONE-FOR-ONE BASIS, AS OF TODAY, UNTIL OCTOBER 6, AFTER WHICH THE KUWAITI CURRENCY WILL BE CONSIDERED ILLEGAL TENDER, THE AGENCY QUOTED THE GOVERNMENT'S ECONOMIC COMMITTEE AS SAYING.

THE CURRENCY MEASURE WAS TAKEN "TO FACILITATE TRANSACTIONS THROUGHOUT IRAQ AND ENDING DUALITY IN THE MONETARY DEALING," THE COMMITTEE SAID.

IRAQ INVADED KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2, ANNEXED IT FOUR DAYS LATER AND DECLARED THE OIL-RICH EMIRATE ITS 19TH PROVINCE. IRAQ HAS ALSO "OUTLAWED" KUWAIT'S GOVERNMENT, ARMY, AIRLINE AND FORCED THE CLOSURE OF FOREIGN EMBASSIES THERE.

BEFORE THE INVASION, KUWAITI DINAR WAS INTERNATIONALLY CONVERTIBLE AND SOLD FOR 3.45 U.S. DOLLARS AT OFFICIAL RATES WHILE THE IRAQI DINAR WAS WORTH 3.22 U.S. DOLLARS BUT WAS NOT INTERNATIONALLY CONVERTIBLE. THE IRAQI CURRENCY WAS ONLY ABOUT ONE 10TH OF THE OFFICIAL VALUE AT THE BLACK MARKET.

IRAQ DECLARED THE ONE-FOR-ONE EXCHANGE RATE BETWEEN KUWAITI AND IRAQ CURRENCIES SHORTLY AFTER THE INVASION.

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#90267h0169 09/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TIANJIN (SEPT. 24) XINHUA - LOOKING AT STRETCHES OF GREEN VEGETABLES AND ROWS OF PIGPENS AND HEN-HOUSES, AS WELL AS THE LAWNS AND GARDENS ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF TIANJIN, IT IS UNBELIEVABLE THAT THIS IS A MUNICIPAL GARBAGE DUMP.

THIS 14.7-HECTARE DUMP RECEIVES 600 TONS, OR ONE SIXTH, OF THE CITY'S TOTAL GARBAGE EACH DAY AND PROCESSES IT INTO ORGANIC FERTILIZER.

ACCORDING TO LIN XIUSEN, DIRECTOR OF THE HEBEI DISTRICT ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU, BY THE END OF 1988, THE DUMP WAS PILED 17 METERS HIGH WITH GARBAGE AND THE AMOUNT WAS INCREASING DAILY.

"SINCE IT IS SO EXPENSIVE TO IMPORT FOREIGN FACILITIES TO PROCESS GARBAGE," THE DIRECTOR SAID, "WE TRIED AND SUCCEEDED IN TRANSFORMING A WORN-OUT CEMENT MIXER INTO A MOBILE ROLLING GARBAGE SCREENING MACHINE CAPABLE OF SEPARATING ORGANIC FERTILIZER FROM WASTE RESIDUE."

USING FOUR SUCH MACHINES THAT CAN PROCESS 150 TONS OF GARBAGE PER DAY, THE PILE OF GARBAGE HAS DISAPPEARED.

ACCORDING TO LIN, THE GARBAGE FERMENTS NATURALLY WITHIN THREE MONTHS BEFORE BEING SCREENED. SEVENTY PERCENT OF IT WILL BECOME ORGANIC FERTILIZER WHICH IS WELCOMED BY FARMERS.

ABOUT 200 PIGS AND 10,000 LAYING HENS ARE BEING RAISED IN THE DUMP AREA. TESTS FOR POLLUTION AND LABORATORY EXAMINATIONS HAVE SHOWN THAT THE QUALITY OF THE MEAT AND EGGS IS THE SAME AS ELSEWHERE.

LIN NOTED THAT WHILE THE DUMP USED TO RECEIVE 180,000 YUAN (U.S. 38,300) A YEAR, IT NO LONGER NEEDS SUCH FUNDS BUT INSTEAD PAYS THE STATE 360,000 YUAN (U.S. 76,600) ANNUAL INTEREST.

LIN PLANS TO TRANSFORM THE DUMP INTO A HUGE ORCHARD BY PLANTING MORE FRUIT TREES.

A MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL SAID THAT THE SUCCESS OF THE DUMP IN TIANJIN'S HEBEI DISTRICT HAS AROUSED THE INTEREST OF EXPERTS IN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOTH AT HOME AND ABROAD. THERE IS A STEADY STREAM EXPERTS TO THE DISTRICT ON INSPECTION TOURS AND TO CONDUCT STUDIES.

A BRITISH EXPERT PRAISED CHINA FOR HAVING FOUND "THE BEST WAY TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM OF URBAN GARBAGE".

THE HEBEI DISTRICT ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT IS SPREADING ITS EXPERIENCE ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

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#90267h0277 09/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KATHMANDU (SEPT. 24) XINHUA - THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE WORLD BANK HAS AGREED TO PROVIDE A LOAN ASSISTANCE OF 1,378.2 MILLION NEPALESE RUPEES (45.48 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) TO NEPAL FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE THIRD BHAIRAHAWA-LUMBINI UNDERGROUND WATER IRRIGATION PROJECT IN WESTERN NEPAL.

THE NEPALESE FINANCE MINISTRY TODAY ANNOUNCED THAT NEPAL WILL USE THE LOAN ASSISTANCE TO INSTAL 73 DEEP TUBE WELLS AT THE BHAIRAHAWA AND LUMBINI AREAS TO IRRIGATE AN ADDITIONAL 8,600 HECTARES OF LAND.

SIMILARLY, NEW UNDERGROUND WATER IRRIGATION PROGRAMS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN THE WESTERN, MID WESTERN AND FAR WESTERN REGIONS WITH THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF THE FARMER COMMUNITIES. THE INFRASTRUCTURES OF THE SURFACE IRRIGATION PROJECTS WILL BE IMPROVED TO IRRIGATE 6,600 HECTARES OF LAND.

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#90267h0309 09/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TEHRAN (SEPT. 24) XINHUA - FORTY-NINE DRUG SMUGGLERS WERE EXECUTED RECENTLY

IN IRAN, BRINGING THE NUMBER OF THE EXECUTED TO 114 THIS MONTH.

ACCORDING TO THE LOCAL PERSIAN DAILY "KAYHAN," 44 TRAFFICKERS WERE EXECUTED ON SUNDAY IN MASHHAD, PROVINCIAL CAPITAL OF NORTH- EASTERN KHORASAN, WHILE FIVE OTHERS WERE HANGED ON SEPTEMBER 18 IN HAMADAN, NORTHWESTERN HAMADAN PROVINCE.

THE DAILY NAMED ALL THE EXECUTED, BUT IT DID NOT GIVE MORE DETAILS. EARLIER THIS MONTH, THE ISLAMIC REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE LAUNCHED A WEEK-LONG COUNTRY-WIDE ANTI-DRUG COMPAIGN TO ELIMINATE THE DRUG- RELATED CRIMES IN THE COUNTRY.

DURING THE PERIOD, THREE SMUGGLERS WERE KILLED IN CLASHES WITH THE COMMITTEE GUARDS WHILE 559 OTHERS ARRESTED WITH 2,215 KILOGRAMS OF NARCOTICS.

IRAN ISSUED A STRICT ANTI-DRUG LAW IN JANUARY 1989, UNDER WHICH ANY DRUG TRAFFICKER CAUGHT WITH 30 GRAMS OF HEROIN OR FIVE KILOGRAMS OF OPIUM WOULD BE SENTENCED TO DEATH.

LATER LAST MONTH, THE IRANIAN JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES ANNOUNCED THAT DRUG SMUGGLERS WOULD BE TRIED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THEIR ARRESTS AND WOULD BE EXECUTED WITHIN 15 DAYS IF THEY DESERVE THE CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 25) KYODO - TENSIONS IN THE PERSIAN GULF AND THE SURGE OF CRUDE OIL PRICES WORKED TO PUSH JAPANESE GOVERNMENT BONDS IN THE SPOT AND FUTURES MARKETS TO RECORD LOWS TUESDAY MORNING.

THE BELLWETHER NO. 119 ISSUE OF 10-YEAR BONDS IN THE SPOT SECTOR FELL 0.30 YEN FROM THE PREVIOUS TRADING DAY TO 80.68 YEN, SENDING THE YIELD 0.080 PERCENTAGE POINT HIGHER TO 8.690 PERCENT.

IN THE FUTURES SECTOR, THE KEY DECEMBER CONTRACT DROPPED 0.34 YEN TO 87.42 YEN YIELDING 0.071 POINT MORE AT 8.302 PERCENT.

SELLING WAS STRONG FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE MORNING SESSION, AS THE MARKET LARGELY IGNORED THE FIRMING OF THE YEN AGAINST THE U.S. DOLLAR IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE DEALINGS.

THE YIELD ON THE NO. 119 ISSUE REACHED AS HIGH AS 8.710 PERCENT AT ONE POINT, DEALERS SAID.

''THE ENVIRONMENT IS BAD. WE CAN'T TELL HOW FAR PRICES ARE GOING TO SLIDE,'' A DEALER AT A MAJOR SECURITIES FIRM SAID.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 24) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY. IN THE NEWS:

The London FTSE is down about 10 points at midday. ... The Tokyo exchange is closed for a holiday. ... U.S. stocks in London are lower - the EXMI down about 1.50.

The dollar is sharply lower, trading at 135.56 against the yen. ... Bond prices continue to move down with the 30-year yielding 9.15%. ... North Sea crude moves above $36 a barrel. ... The seven major industrialized nations have agreed in Washington to try to hold interest rates firm. ... "The Wall Street Journal" reports this morning that AMERICAN EXPRESS engaged in a covert campaign to ruin the reputation of Swedish banker EDMOND SAFRA. ... The CANADIAN AUTO WORKERS union has ratified a contract with FORD OF CANADA. ... Orders for U.S.-made machine tools jumped 23% in August, reports the ASSOCIATION FOR MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY. ... R.J. REYNOLDS says it has reached agreement with the SOVIET UNION to sell an additional 3.2 billion cigarettes there on top of the 14-billion cigarette deal announced earlier.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

PRESIDENT BUSH meets SOUTH AFRICAN PRESIDENT F.W. de KLERK this morning at the White House and the TREASURY DEPARTMENT releases budget deficit figures for August. The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT issues final second-quarter GNP and corporate earnings reports tomorrow. Other economic reports due out this week include personal income and outlays as well as durable goods, manufacturers' shipments and orders - both on Wednesday from Commerce. On Friday, the FEDERAL RESERVE reports on leading economic indicators.

FROM THE BULLS: "The yield spread between stocks and bonds is now at its lowest point since the bull market began in '82 ... [and] the average stock is down about 40% from its 52- week high," says a bullish KEN HACKEL, president of SYSTEMATIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT. "This is not the time one should be selling, this is the time one should be buying. ... I think when the sands settle in the Mideast, oil prices will be a lot lower and stock prices will be a lot higher." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/21)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I think we're going lower," says HOWARD COLHOUN. "As much as I don't like it, I think we may see some shooting in the Middle East and that will likely cause the market to go off maybe 200 points the day that occurs. That will make your bottom." ("Wall Street Week", 9/21)

"The market is still in a bearish trend," says ALFRED GOLDMAN of A.G. EDWARDS. "What we are seeing is a retest of the Dow low of 2483 on Aug. 23. I am seeing some bottom-fishing. Normally, that's not seen at a bottom. So, my feeling is the Dow may have to take out the lows and fall to 2400 to 2450. ... That could take another week. If we get a good low, then there will be

a tradeable rally. Traders should buy on the washout day and investors when selling gets irrational." ("Investor's Daily", 9/24)

I think we're seeing a testing of the lows," says ROBERT BRINKER, editor of "Bob Brinker's Marketimer." He says this 2400 range "is an excellent opportunity for those who are under invested in U.S. stocks to put some money to work." ("Nightly Business Report", 9/21)

STOCK MARKET:

"The collapse in stock prices over the past month has created opportunities and we've put some cash to work," says MARK STUMPP, director of research for PDI STRATEGIES, a unit of the PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA. (NYT, 9/23)

Taking a long-term perspective, the market could be near its bottom, says MONTE GORDON of DREYFUS CORP. "[However] in the near-term, the market is so emotionally traumatized ... that you could get a spike downward -- you could get as low as 2400 or 2350." Gordon says it is important to remember that economies

go through periods of recession and correction. "It's in those periods that you get ... buying opportunities, [but] I'm not talking about tomorrow." He says the market trauma "is overwhelming whatever favorable signs there are as far as the economy is concerned and not at all recognizing that this condition we're passing through now, while it may last several months longer, is nonetheless transitory because the economy is in the process of correcting a lot of its basic problems." (CNBC "World Business", 9/24 and "Wall Street Week", 9/21)

"You have total capitulation -- no tolerance to own

stocks with a question regarding the fundamentals," says JAMES AWAD, president of BMI CAPITAL CORP. He says the stock-by-stock battering "is as bad as if there had been an aggregate cleanout in the market, as in October 1987." (WSJ, 9/24)

"Stocks are a lot closer to being more reasonably valued now than they were a couple of months ago," says 2 ELIZABETH DATER. "I don't think that they are compelling values as yet, but they are really getting there." ("Wall Street Week", 9/21)

STOCK TIPS:

DAN DORFMAN rounds up in "USA Today" this morning the 18 top picks of six money managers who attended MONTGOMERY SECURITIES' annual conference. The various pickers list these six as their respective No. 1 choices: QUICKSILVER, PHOENIX TECHNOLOGY, URCARCO, BIRD MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES, COLLINS FOODS INTERNATIONAL and POOL ENERGY SERVICES. ("USA Today", 9/24)

IBM is intriguing to EUGENE PERONI JR. at JANNEY

MONTGOMERY SCOTT. The stock is showing the best relative strength in quite some time and diverging favorably from the technology sector, says Peroni. "I think IBM is going to be a leader once this market stabilizes and resumes its uptrend." Peroni likes Big Blue at 105 and sees a short-term potential into the teens with longer-term potential up to the 150 area. On energy stocks, Peroni says long term trends remain bullish even if oil prices come down. His current favorite is AMARADA-HESS. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/24)

"We still love the pharmaceuticals, the electric utilities and the Baby Bells," says GEORGE ZIMMERMAN, director of research at GRUNTAL & CO. Among the regional telephone companies, he particularly likes NYNEX, PACIFIC TELESIS and US WEST. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/21)

TEJAS GAS CORP. set a new closing high in the OTC market Friday, up a point to 33 1/2, and MICK MIDKIFF of MIDKIFF CAPITAL GROUP, says it has further to go. "It continues to be undervalued by about 30% compared to other natural gas pipeline companies," he says. "You

have a very astute management and a good business climate." ("Investor's Daily", 9/24)

"We're buying manufacturing companies, we're still avoiding the banks, we're avoiding the airlines and we're avoiding all leveraged entities," says KEN HACKEL, president of SYSTEMATIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT. "We don't buy stocks for a quarter or two quarters or three quarters. My time horizon is three-to-five-years. One should not be in the equity market if they have a one- or two-quarter time horizon. Stocks are so cheap now it pays to be patient." Among his favorites: SQUARE D CO.,

ROHM & HAAS CO., LUBRIZOL CORP, NCR, LANCE and ROADWAY SERVICES. Among oils, he likes MOBIL and ROYAL DUTCH. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/21)

CHASE MANHATTAN CORP. says it will lose $625 million in the third quarter as it cuts 5,000 jobs and sharply increases reserves for problem real estate loans. The stock fell after the announcement Friday, closing off a point at 12 3/4. ("Investor's Daily", 9/24)

"I think [CHASE MANHATTAN's] announcement was somewhat surprising," says RICHARD BOVE of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "By taking the action now, what they are saying is that maintaining capital is an incredibly important thing for them to do." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/21) 3

"There are lot of weak banks out there," says ROBERT DOLL, portfolio strategist at OPPENHEIMER & CO. "They need to be able to come up with some reasons to merge so that they can have some economies of scale to sell some assets and build their equity base. We need that to happen in this country. [There is] too much capacity in the financial services sector." GEORGE ZIMMERMAN, director of research at GRUNTAL & CO., says he expects

at least one merger among major New York City banks in 1991, with CHEMICAL BANK, MANUFACTURERS HANOVER and CHASE MANHATTAN the most likely candidates to be "jockeying for position" in a merger. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/22)

"I think bank stocks are going to continue to have a hard time for the foreseeable future," says JAMES MARKS, a partner in SNL SECURITIES, a bank and thrift research company. He says the accumulation of bank stock by LAURENCE and PRESTON TISCH is "high-risk investing" but notes that they have taken chances before with great success "which is exactly why people like myself are hesitant to criticize them." A report in "The Washington Post" Sunday edition notes that the Tish brothers have recently disclosed major purchases of stock in BANK OF BOSTON CORP., BAYBANKS, EQUIMARK CORP. and CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. Banking analyst BUCKY RULON-MILLER of RADNOR CAPITAL MANAGEMENT says, "That's how you make money. Throughout history, successful investors have been people who buy their straw hats in January." ("The Washington Post", 9/23)

"If there's one thing about banks, they're never

boring," says CAROLE BERGER, a senior vice president at

C.J. LAWRENCE, MORGAN GRENFELL. "They're always screwing up something." She turned bearish on most bank stocks last spring and thinks the worst credit charge-offs are ahead. Still, she now likes FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, FIRST FIDELITY BANCORP of New Jersey and KEYCORP. ("Barron's", 9/24)

KLA INSTRUMENTS shares are trading at their lowest level in seven years, but "Barron's" reports in a feature story that "investors have so fixed on the immediate outlook for KLA that they've completely lost sight of

the company's brighter long-term prospects. Indeed, KLA seems just a few quarters away from enjoying a significant pick-up in profits." Elsewhere, TECO ENERGY and TEXFI INDUSTRIES are featured in the magazine's "investment news & views" section. ("Barron's", 9/24)

JOHN BALLEN, head of the $75 million MFS LIFETIME EMERGING GROWTH FUND, likes APPLEBEE'S INTERNATIONAL, a former subsidiary of W.R. GRACE that went public only a year ago. "It's the fastest growing restaurant chain in the country and it's conceivable they could end up with a thousand stores," says Ballen. ("Barron's", 9/24)

"My favorite stock right now is ... MICROSOFT," says ROBERT BRINKER, editor of "Bob Brinker's Marketimer." He predicts earnings of over $3 and says "the fundamentals are intact on this one." He also likes SUN MICROSYSTEMS. ("Nightly Business Report", 9/21)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

The dollar is lower this morning and CITIBANK's PAUL CHERTKOW says from London that the G-7 meeting gave no clear lead to world currency markets. "There's no

longer any conviction that there's going to be a coordinated policy response to interest rates or currency movements." Chertkow says this leaves the market focusing on the fact that Germany and Japan require high interest rates to temper inflation while the U.S. needs lower rates to boost the economy. "In those circumstances, the dollar seems set to decline further. The only question is how far." (FNN "World Business Update", 9/24)

"I think interest rates are peaking now," says EDWARD HYMAN, vice chairman at C.J. LAWRENCE, MORGAN GRENFELL INC. "I think bonds, say by next summer, will be yielding 7 1/2%. I like them [better than stocks]." He is bullish on the dollar, believing "it might be making a bottom here." ("Wall Street Week" 9/21)

"We expect a decline in the federal funds rate of about 0.5 percentage point over the next few months, with further reductions pushing the rate down to 7% or lower in the first half of 1991," says ROBERT DiCLEMENTE, a senior analyst at SALOMON BROTHERS. ("Investor's Daily", 9/24)

"The credit market has made up its mind that the economy is either in a recession or close to one," says LEONARD SANTOW of GRIGGS & SANTOW. "The Middle East, the budget and oil are the three focal points and will be until those situations are resolved." (NYT, 9/24)

"The bond market is basically caught between two giant forces," says STAN CARNES of LEHMAN BROTHERS. He says higher oil prices and signs that a recession is on its way have created an "equilibrium" around 9%. Carnes predicts a rally in bonds around the middle of next year. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/21)

concerns seem to override all other factors operating in the fixed-income markets. (WSJ, 9/24)

THE ECONOMY:

TREASURY SECRETARY NICHOLAS BRADY says that although economic growth is "slower than it should be, I don't accept the use of the word recession. There is underlying power in this economy that's still with us." (NYT, 9/24)

"My guess is the economy is going to be flat for at least a year," says EDWARD HYMAN of C.J. LAWRENCE, MORGAN GRENFELL INC. "I am sorry to say I think it might be as much as a year before we can feel that we're out of the woods and can look for an upturn -- say in 1992." He thinks unemployment will be up to 6.5% by next summer and that inflation in 1991 will be around 3%. ("Wall Street Week", 9/21)

"We believe a recession is probably going to start beginning in the fourth quarter" says STAN CARNES of LEHMAN BROTHERS. He looks for the downturn to last two

or three quarters. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/21)

NEIL MacKINNON, chief economist for YAMAICHI INTERNATIONAL, says there is "a big risk of a recession before the end of the year." He says that fact coupled with the growing banking crisis constrains the options the Fed has open to it. ("Nightly Business Report", 9/21)

"The next target is $40 [a barrel for oil]," says CHRISTIAN GOHLER, energy broker at MERRILL LYNCH FUTURES. "Because of the time lags in delivery, we're just now starting to feel a hole in the supply," says TOM WALLIN of "Petroleum Intelligence Weekly." JOSEPH ANCONDA, analyst at BELL & DANIELS, predicts that "even with the spigots wide open, we're going to have a shortfall of at least a million-and-a-half barrels a day." ("USA Today", 9/24)

Analysts say the first shock waves from surging oil prices are prompting lowered corporate earnings estimates. "This is the worst set of readings since the last recession in 1981," says BENJAMIN ZACKS, executive vice president of "Zachs Investment Research." "These

[earnings] numbers are getting very bleak." (WSJ, 9/24)

National economies around the world are "out of sync with one another," says ABBY COHEN at BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD. She says economies in the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom are much weaker than other nations, and their central banks are more likely to ease interest rates. "If you take a look at some of the other economies in Asia, some of the economies in Europe, they continue to look rather robust, at least in relative terms," says Cohen. In these countries, central banks are still inclined to fight inflation.

(FNN "World Business Update", 9/24)

IN WASHINGTON:

The SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION is stepping up

its review of the disclosure of environmental

liabilities, reports "Investor's Daily." The paper

quotes ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY staffers as

saying the number of filings the SEC sends to EPA for

review has increased nearly 10-fold since last spring.

("Investor's Daily", 9/24)

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EL SEGUNDO, CA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Infonet today announced that an interconnect has been established between its leading international value-added network and Japan's U-net public data network. U-net subscribers will be able to gain local access to Infonet's global network for worldwide data, electronic mail, store and forward, fax and telex transmissions from 60 Japanese cities.

Owned and operated by Nippon Unisys Co. Ltd., the U-net public data network is also a leading provider of electronic data interchange (EDI), electronic mail and database services in Japan. Nippon Unisys will connect U-net subscribers who wish to have dial-up or dedicated access to the Infonet network.

"This new interconnect will allow our multinational customers in Japan to communicate with their international locations and business partners in 110 countries via the Infonet network," said Nippon Unisys General Manager Tsutomu Nakajima. "Infonet will, for instance, handle a significant portion of the data communications traffic between Japanese enterprises and their subsidiaries in the U.S. and Europe."

Mitsui Knowledge Industry (MKI) Co. provides local telecommunications service and support for Infonet customers in Japan. MKI will make the necessary arrangements for Infonet users in Japan to become U-net subscribers.

Applied Materials Japan is one of many customers who plan on using U-net as an external gateway to Infonet. Applied Materials Japan is a wholly owned subsidiary of Applied Materials Inc., (NASDAQ: AMAT) the leading independent producer of wafer fabrication equipment used by semiconductor manufacturers worldwide.

Japan is Applied Materials' largest market. The firm has 15 sales and field service locations in Japan, including a manufacturing plant, research and engineering facility in Narita.

MKI will also connect Japanese businesses and offices of multinational firms in Japan to Infonet's Notice 400 global messaging service and install Notice 400 PC software at their sites.

Further information on Infonet products and services is available by calling Infonet at 213-335-2875 in the United States or MKI at 81-3-237-6020 in Tokyo.

CONTACT: Mike Radice of Infonet, 213-335-2875.

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#90267p7216 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, CO (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael J. Timbers, president and CEO of IHS Group Inc. has today announced the acquisition of the Baxter Corp. MMIS Division by Continental Healthcare Systems Inc. (CHS), an IHS Group company based in Overland Park, Kan.

The MMIS (Management Services/Logistics Systems) Division is a leading supplier of material management automation systems to hospitals in the U.S. The acquisition positions CHS, already a top-ranked materials and pharmaceuticals management software company, as the number one supplier in materials management automation systems. With a client base of 600 hospitals, CHS is now the leading supplier of departmental solutions in the healthcare industry.

"The acquistion is consistent with the strategic objective of IHS Group in expanding our information company portfolio to address the growing needs of our customers," Timbers elaborated in making the annoucement. "The MMIS product line significantly enhances CHS's market position as a supplier of hospital information systems. There are substantial integration opportunities in distribution, customer support, and technology similarities."

The MMIS Division product line includes hardware/software automation systems that are both minicomputer- and PC-based. The company's most recent introduction were the Advantage(TM) and Advantage Plus(TM) automation systems for the IBM PC platform. Baxter Corp. will continue to offer their IMPACT program and customer incentive programs through CHS and MATKON 2000. The CHS

systems, MATKON 2000 and PHARMAKON 2000, are designed for the IBM 370 mainframe architecture.

IHS Group is comprised of eight information companies which provide a broad spectrum of information and information management services to such diverse markets as engineering, hospitals, library management and government. In addition to Continental Healthcare Systems, the IHS Group companies include Information Handling Services, CLSI, Predicasts Inc., Global Engineering Documents, D.A.T.A. Business Publishing, Lake Publishing Corp., and, in the United Kingdom, Technical Indexes Ltd.

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RENO, NE (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Amserv Inc. (NASDAQ: AMSR) announced the opening of an Amserv Nurses office in San Antonio, Texas.

Amserv Nurses Group now has eight offices. The other offices are located in Fairview Heights, Ill.; Las Vegas, Nev.; Louisville, Ky.; Portland, Ore.; Seattle; St. Louis; and Tucson, Ariz.

"The opening of start-up operations, as well as the acquisition of existing services, is part of Amserv's strategic plan to build a national network of temporary nursing services offices," states Gene Mora, president and chief executive officer.

Amserv Inc. is a national health care services and products company that provides temporary nursing personnel to hospitals and nursing homes to supplement their permanent staffs through its Amserv Nurses group of companies and markets cardiographic equipment and services through its Amserv Medical Products subsidiary.

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#90267p7218 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Transcisco Industries Inc., a San Francisco based company (AMEX: TNIA, TNIB), announced today the appointment of Dr. Ottokarl Finsterwalder to their Board of Directors.

Finsterwalder has been a Managing Director of Creditanstalt- Bankverein, Vienna, Austria, since 1985 and previously was their Senior Officer in charge of international operations since 1974. Creditanstalt is the largest bank in Austria with total assets of $40 billion and is considered one of the top East-West trade banks in the world.

Finsterwalder graduated from Hamburg Law School and practiced in Hamburg, New York and Paris prior to becoming a director of Hill Samuel & Co., Ltd., merchant bankers in London. Finsterwalder is also a director of the following boards: ALWA in Vienna, AWT Internationale Handels-und Finanziorunge Aktiengesellschaft in Vienna, EBIC European Banks' International in Brussels, European American Banking Corp. in New York, Leykam-Murztaler Papier-und Zellstoff Aktiengesellschaft in Gratkorn and Wirtschafts-und Privatbank in Zurich.

Mark C. Hungerford, chairman and CEO of Transcisco Industries stated, "We are very pleased to have Finsterwalder on our board and know he will be a great help with our overseas operations."

Transcisco Industries operates railcar maintenance and retrofitting operations through its Transcisco Rail Services division and its wholly owned subsidiary, Transcisco Tours, operates a dinner train in San Antonio, Texas, and will commence operation of a luxury "cruise train" service to Tahoe and Reno from the San Francisco Bay Area starting in late 1990. Transcisco owns 36 percent of PLM International, an AMEX- listed diversified equipment leasing company, and Transcisco owns 20 percent of SOVFINAMTRANS, a U.S.S.R. railcar leasing company that operates tank cars with Transcisco's Uni-Temp heating system. Transcisco expects to diversify its exposure, both in equipment-types and geography, to proprietary transportation equipment, parts and operating businesses using its own unique technologies and its proven financing skills.

CONTACT: Robert W. Laversin of Transcisco Industries, 415-477-9788

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Harper San Francisco and the Hazelden Foundation are pleased to announce the signing of a new contract, whereby Harper will bring selected Hazelden titles to the trade marketplace. Hazelden the premier publisher of addiction and recovery literature since 1954, has granted Harper an exclusive first option on all new adult trade paperback and hardcover books for six years beginning July 1, 1990, the effective date of the new contract.

"We are extremely pleased to be a supportive partner in fulfilling Hazelden's mission," said Harper San Francisco editor-in-chief Thomas Grady. "The original contract between us, signed in 1986, coincided with a tremendous growth in recovery publishing and in the development of the brand new bookstore category of recovery literature. We are proud of our joint efforts in helping to launch this new category of trade publishing and we look forward to influencing the future direction of trade recovery publishing."

Hazelden, a nonprofit foundation in Center City, Minn., is recognized

throughout the world as a pioneer in chemical dependency treatment, community and professional services, and publishing. The diversity of Hazelden's services and titles reflect the foundation's commitment to meeting the needs of the recovering community and to educating the public on issues of chemical dependency and related areas involving addictive behaviors. Hazelden's extensive publishing program includes books, pamphlets, audiocassettes, and videocassettes.

Hazelden literature was available primarily through direct mail until 1985, when Winston-Seabury brought several of its meditation books to the trade. Harper San Francisco and Hazelden first affiliated in February 1986, when Harper acquired Winston-Seabury and renegotiated the contract between Winston and Hazelden. Since that time, Hazelden has continued its successful direct mail operation, selling nearly 20 million pieces of literature to individual consumers and institutional markets in 1989 alone, while Harper has sold an additional 5 million copies of Hazelden books to the trade between Spring 1986 and Summer 1990.

Daily meditation books and self-help titles are among the most popular Hazelden titles in the trade. Hazelden's series of more than 20 meditation books, including such bestsellers as "Each Day a New Beginning" and "Twenty-Four Hours a Day," has inspired a new category that continues to flourish. Similarly, Melody Beattie's phenomenally successful "Codependent No More," which has been on the New York Times bestseller list for more than two years and has two million copies in print, helped to create a burgeoning new category of recovery literature.

Harper San Francisco has announced three new Hazelden titles for Fall 1990 and will soon announce four titles for Spring 1991. Harper San Francisco plans to license 12 to 15 Hazelden titles each year.

CONTACT: Pat Rose of Harper San Francisco, 415-477-4520; or Pat Benson of Hazelden Foundation, 612-257-4010, ext. 2120.

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#90267p7223 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The following is an update on the joint venture exploration program from Centurion Mines CEO Spenst Hansen:

Centurion Mines Corp. (NASDAQ: CTMC) of Salt Lake City and Crown Resources Corp. (NASDAQ: CRRS) of Denver are involved in a large scale joint venture exploration program on Centurion's properties in Utah.

Ten of the planned 43 holes have been drilled. The remaining holes should be completed by year end. Drills are now operating at Lion Hill and Jackson Ridge and will be moved later to our North Oquirrh properties and to the Tintic Mining District. The number of drill holes may be increased if

exploration results are favorable. In the event that occurs we will be "Charging Forward" on the most promising sites.

One completed drill hole encountered 500 feet of anomalous gold mineralization extending from the surface all the way to the bottom of the hole (500 feet). The interval between 190 and 205 feet averaged .03 ounce per ton gold. Another interval between 260 and 350 feet averaged .014 ounce per ton gold. Four off-setting holes (100 feet in each direction) are being drilled to test this promising gold discovery.

A massive amount of exploration data has been gathered through the 1990 field season thus far by our staff of more than 20 geologists and geophysicists. More than 7,000 surface geochemical samples have been gathered. Twenty five line miles of induced polarization (IP)/Resistivity geophysical surveying has been completed. Results from this large amount of technical data has identified numerous excellent gold mineralized zones from the surface that are now being tested by reverse circulation drilling.

Centurion Properties Outside The Crown/Centurion Venture By agreement with Crown, Centurion has been assigned full ownership of its approximately 4,500 acres of mining claims and mineral leases in the Dugway mining district of Western Utah. The Dugway district has a previous history of gold production. Surface sampling by Centurion geologists in August 1990 showed localities of ore grade gold occurrence at the surface. Centurion's holdings are adjacent to properties currently being explored in that district by Gold Standard Mining Co.

The agreement relating to Centurion's West Tintic properties with Teck Resources Corp. has been terminated. Centurion now has full control of approximately 5,700 acres in the West Tintic district. The results of Teck's exploration work including the drilling of seven holes during 1990 is currently being evaluated by Centurion geologists. A preliminary review shows ares of encouraging gold mineralization. Centurion's management will later determine what further action will be taken with regard to West Tintic.

Summary Exploration work during 1990 has identified several highly prospective localities each of which has an excellent possibility of containing gold ore deposits larger than 1,000,000 ounces. These localities are now being tested by drilling. The management and technical teams of Crown Resources and Centurion Mines are working well together. Centurion believes that the exploration currently under way has a high probability of success.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - In the single largest commitment it has ever made in the United States to any university, BP America, Inc. has announced grants totaling more than $6.5 million to Case Western Reserve University. BP America, one of the world's largest producers of petroleum products, has been a long-time supporter of CWRU research initiatives.

The commitment is a series of gifts to the university, including a $2 million grant toward the construction of a new macromolecular science facility and an additional $2.5 million to be utilized in new BP/CWRU collaborative research initiatives.

CWRU President Agnar Pytte said the $2.5 million in research projects would be the basis for expanding the on-going relationship between BP and CWRU scientists on projects of importance. BP also presented CWRU with a $1 million gift last year for the President's Discretionary Fund.

Pytte said the grants from BP have arisen as a result of both the close relationship the university has shared with the company, and also BP's strong commitment to innovative research and product development.

"BP has been an integral research partner for the university for many years, and this significant gift reflects the company's ongoing commitment to sponsor the best and brightest in research and development," said Pytte. "We are most grateful for this handsome expression of confidence in CWRU's research mission. It will solidify the working relationship we already enjoy with BP America. I think both sides stand to benefit enormously from this continuing arrangement."

James Ross, BP America president and chief executive officer, said he viewed the gift to the university as an opportunity for BP to play an integral part in the sponsorship of mutually beneficial research initiatives and in the establishment of CWRU as a major national research center in macromolecular science.

CWRU researchers will work with BP executives to organize the new research initiatve and define the initial projects between scientists at CWRU and BP.

In addition to the research applications of the BP gift through specific projects and the new facility, Pytte said the grant was symbolically important to both CWRU and the Cleveland corporate community.

CONTACT: Chas D. Withers of Case Western Reserve University, 216-368-4440.

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COLUMBUS, OH (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Skyway Airlines today announced it will begin nonstop service between Columbus and Milwaukee on Oct. 22, 1990.

According to Rolly Bergeson, president of Skyway Airlines, the new service will consist of three roundtrip flights each business day between Port Columbus International Airport and Milwaukee.

Connecting flights will be offered through the carrier's Milwaukee hub to Appleton, Madison, Green Bay, LaCrosse and Wausau/Stevens Point (Central Wisconsin Airport), Wis.; Grand Rapids and Muskegon, Mich.; and Rockford, Ill.

"The new Skyway flights will provide the business traveler with reliable, efficient air service between the two cities," Bergeson said. "We offer passengers a reliability of service that is unique in the regional airline industry."

Skyway operates new 19-seat, pressurized Beechcraft 1900 aircraft. Each aircraft is outfitted with high-backed leather seats, ample legroom and a tray table which provides a work area for the business traveler.

Skyway Airlines is a wholly owned subsidiary of Mesa Airlines, a regional carrier based in New Mexico, and operates as The Midwest Express Connection through a marketing agreement with Milwaukee-based Midwest Express Airlines. Inaugurating service in April 1989, Skyway now serves 20 markets throughout the upper Midwest and has approximately 90 employees.

CONTACT: Rolly Bergeson, president of Skyway Airlines, 414-762-6761.

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GRASS VALLEY, Calif. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Brush Creek Mining and Development Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: BCMD) today announced that, based on the recommendation of the company's consultants, Keewatin Engineering, it has acquired the High Commission Mine. The property is located one mile east of Downieville in the Northern Mines Region of the California Motherlode and encompasses over 1,000 acres of land.

The High Commission Mine was a former gold-producer and lies immediately to the east of the Melones Fault Zone. There is good evidence for an older, pre-motherlode phase of gold mineralization in the vicinity of the High Commission. Reconnaissance mapping and sampling have identified extensive zones of sulphide "pyrite" mineralization and sericitic alterations associated with a quartz stockwork system, within and peripheral to a large porphyritic intrusion. Preliminary sampling has yielded 0.30 ounces of gold per ton from a grab sample.

This property adds a new aspect to the company as it is different geologically from the Brush Creek gold camp. The company has requested a plan from its consultants for a detailed geological mapping and sampling program.

The company will announce preliminary reserves for the Brush Creek gold camp in October, 1990.

CONTACT: Mike Pickering of Brush Creek Mining and Development Co. Inc., 916-477-5961.

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VAN NUYS, CA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Valley Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ: VFEDC) has named Lewis J. Finocchio Jr. as executive vice president for retail banking.

Finocchio's responsibilities include overseeing all branch operations, as well as the deposit services and marketing departments.

Prior to joining Valley Federal, he was senior vice president, private banking for World Trade Bank in California. He previously served in various

executive positions with Citicorp in New York, including vice president of new business development and correspondent banking, marketing director for new products and card products divisions, and director of branch bank advertising and promotion. he was also vice president and marketing director for Citicorp's Carte Blanche subsidiary in California.

Finocchio holds a bachelor of arts degree from Niagara University, Niagara Falls, New York.

Valley Federal, with assets of approximately $2.8 billion, is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol VFEDC. Valley Federal's deposits are insured by the FDIC and are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States government.

CONTACT: Craig A. Parsons or Kim P. Feazle, both of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Valley Federal Savings.

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#90267p7245 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAIPEI, TAIWAN (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - A standard specification for a hand-held scanner programmer interface has been developed for use by the information industry worldwide.

The Standard Programmer Interface specification, or SPI, was developed by an international association of software and hardware manufacturers. Established in August 1990, the Scanner Programmer Interface Association (SPIA) is comprised of leading scanner firms, including Award Software International Inc., Mouse Systems Corporation, Media Cybernetics, Corel Systems, D.F.I., K.Y.E., Marstek, Primax, Qtronix and Guts.

The specification will facilitate the development and manufacturing of hand-held scanner products and applications by software and hardware companies. It can be used with MS-DOS, OS/2, Microsoft Windows and UNIX operating systems.

Prior to the development of the SPI, a uniform programmer interface standard was unavailable for hand-held scanner products. The lack of a specification limited software applications, particularly in the areas of graphics and desktop publishing.

As a fundamental component of the optical-electronics industry, demand for hand-held scanner products is expected to increase tremendously in the next five years. The SPIA estimates that the optical-electronics industry will expand by 300 to 500 percent and sales will total more than $5 billion during this period. The formation of the SPIA and the introduction of the new specification are expected to escalate expansion of the worldwide hand-held scanner market.

Two leading research laboratories, Opto-electronics & Systems Laboratory, and Computer & Communication Research Laboratories, provided technical support during the development of the new standard scanner programmer interface.

CONTACT: Gary Yoshimura of Burson-Marsteller, 213-386-8776, for SPIA, or Debbie Wang of SPIA, 886-2-713-6464

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) today announced its board of directors has declared a quarterly dividend of 33 cents per share, payable Nov. 1 to shareowners of record Oct. 3.

The common shares dividend will go to about 2.5 million shareowners.

CONTACT: Dick Gray of AT&T, 201-221-5057, or (home) 201-232-3706

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THOMASVILLE, GA. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Davis Water & Waste Industries, Inc. (NYSE: DWW) has authorized the repurchase of up to 25,000 shares of its common stock, from time to time, as market conditions dictate.

"We believe our long-term prospects for growth and increased profitability are brighter than ever and feel the company's stock is underpriced at current levels," R. Doyle White, president and chief executive officer, said.

"We recently completed the acquisition of the assets of The Taulman Company, a pollution control company serving municipal markets nationwide, for $7 million cash. Taulman, with 1989 sales in excess of $26 million, also markets a patented system for converting sewage sludge into fertilizer. The system is in use in Europe and four installations are operating in the United States. We believe stringent federal regulations concerning the treatment of sludge enhance the potential for this business," White continued.

"We are also pleased by improving operating efficiencies resulting from recent restructuring that included the elimination of unprofitable and marginal product lines and consolidation of some regional sales offices," he concluded.

CONTACT: Stan White of Davis Water & Waste Industries, 912-226-5733

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#90267p7254 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Bond Brewing Holdings Limited ("BBH") today announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Dimola Pty. Ltd. ("Dimola"), has extended its offer to purchase up to 90 percent of the principal amount outstanding of 12-5/8 percent extendable subordinated debentures of BBH, and the associated proration period, until 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Friday, Sept. 28, 1990, to allow time for debentureholders to comply with new required tender procedures. Debentures tendered pursuant to the offer may be withdrawn at any time prior to the expiration of the offer, and if not sooner purchased by Dimola pursuant to the offer, at any time after 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on the third business day following the expiration date. The depositary has advised BBH and Dimola that, as of 12:00 noon, New York City time, on Friday, Sept. 21, 1990, approximately 16.7 percent of the outstanding principal amount of debentures had been tendered to the depositary pursuant to the tender offer.

BBH disclosed that Dimola intends to distribute today a Sixth Supplement, dated Sept. 24, 1990, to its offer to purchase and consent solicitation to holders of the BBH debentures. Such Sixth Supplement will, among other things describe certain prospective agreements being negotiated among BBH, its syndicate of senior lenders and certain other parties. The Sixth Supplement will be accompanied by a revised letter of transmittal and consent and an agreement and release containing, among other things, certain mutual releases to be exchanged among BBH, its senior lenders, tendering debentureholders and the trustee for the BBH debentures, in connection with ongoing litigation and prospective claims between and among such parties. All tendering debentureholders, whether or not such holders have previously tendered debentures and executed letters of transmittal and consent, will be required to execute and deliver the revised letter of transmittal and consent and the agreement and release in order to validly tender their debentures.

CONTACT: James Rawlings, 212-223-4202, for Bond Brewing Holdings

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JACKSON, MI. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation's oil and gas exploration and production unit, NOMECO Oil & Gas Co., today announced that it has completed the acquisition from various sellers of approximately 25 billion cubic feet of Devonian Antrim Shale natural gas reserves.

The properties, located in Otsego County in Michigan's northern Lower Peninsula, consist of more than 5,000 acres divided into nine production units. NOMECO's working interests in the units range from 25.4 percent to 43.7 percent. The properties are operated by Antrim Gas, Inc.

"This represents a very significant transaction in our ongoing reserve acquisition program," said NOMECO's President, R.J. Burgess. "We will continue to aggressively seek opportunities to acquire additional Antrim Shale gas

reserves in northern Michigan, as well as oil and gas reserves in other areas."

NOMECO is among the top 100 U.S. oil and gas companies in production and reserves and is Michigan's largest independent oil and gas producer. It is engaged in exploration and/or production activities in 14 states and seven foreign countries.

CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS) is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services. CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth-largest combination utility.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE: KLT) announced today that it has signed a confidentiality agreement with Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) in connection with Kansas City Power & Light's all cash, fully financed tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of Kansas Gas and Electric. The agreement will enable Kansas City Power & Light to review certain non-public information regarding Kansas Gas and Electric.

Drue Jennings, president and chief executive officer of Kansas City Power & Light, said, "We welcome the opportunity to review information which has not been previously available to us. This is a desirable first step which we hope will lead to broader negotiations."

On July 23, 1990, Kansas City Power & Light commenced an all cash, fully financed tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of Kansas Gas and Electric. The offer price of $27 per share for the common stock, approximately $857 million in the aggregate, represents a 37 percent premium over the market price of Kansas Gas and Electric common stock on July 20, 1990, the last trading day prior to the commencement of Kansas City Power & Light's offer.

The tender offer is scheduled to expire at 7 p.m., New York City time, on Friday, Oct. 19, 1990.

CONTACT: Turner White of Kansas City Power & Light, 816-556-2997, or Joele Frank of Adams & Rinehart, 212-557-0100, for KCP&L.

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TORRANCE, CA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) today announced Framework XE, new integrated software targeted to managers and small businesses. Carrying a suggested retail price of $149, Framework XE will be available next week through Ashton-Tate authorized resellers. AT&T Computer Systems will also offer Framework XE as part of a promotional package in the fourth quarter, 1990.

Framework XE combines seven programs -- word processing, spreadsheet, data management, graphics, outlining, telecommunications and electronic mail -- into one "windows-like" environment that maximizes productivity and ease-of-use. The software also includes a "quick start menu" for first-time and occasional users, a built-in time manager and calculator, and extensive data sharing capabilities.

"Framework XE expands our decision support product line by offering users software at different levels and on different platforms," said Bill Lyons, Ashton-Tate president and chief operating officer. "And its ease-of-use, extensive functionality and low price make Framework XE a compelling product."

Framework XE will run on IBM PC, XT, AT, PS/2's and 100 percent compatibles with 640KB RAM.

The software will be available at a suggested retail price of $149 next week through the Ashton-Tate authorized reseller network. Unlimited, free support from Ashton-Tate, along with local access to the Ashton-Tate Bulletin Board System, will be included.

Framework XE will also be available in a special fourth quarter promotion offered by AT&T Computer Systems. It will be sold as part of a bundle that includes Ashton-Tate's APPLAUSE II graphics and Control Room utility software.

Headquartered in Torrance, Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software. The company's major product categories include database management systems, word processing, integrated decision support, spreadsheets, graphics and software utilities. Ashton-Tate has operations worldwide, with products available in 20 languages in more than 50 countries. The company also offers a comprehensive line of training and support services for individuals, corporations and government agencies.

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ROCHESTER, NY (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Gordon A. Smith was recently elected president of Datatape Incorporated, a wholly owned subsidiary of

Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) located in Pasadena, Calif. Datatape Incorporated develops and manufactures high-performance magnetic tape recorders for government markets. Smith will report to Dr. Gary H. Conners, vice president and general manager, government systems division, Eastman Kodak Company. Prior to this position, Smith was on special assignment for Kodak.

Smith brings to Datatape Incorporated extensive past experiences from government, industry, and education. Smith served as assistant secretary of defense for Command, Control, Communications and Intelligence, and was deputy director, Strategic Defense Initiative Organization, Office of the Secretary of Defense, previous to that appointment. Smith has held a congressional fellowship and has served as a staff member on the House Subcommittee on Space Science and Applications, U.S. House of Representatives.

Smith was president of Fairchild Space Operations Co., a division of Fairchild Industries, before his appointment as deputy director, Office of the Secretary of Defense. In addition, Smith has held numerous positions in management, engineering, design, research, development and testing for Fairchild Industries, Conductron (a subsidiary of McDonnell-Douglas Corp.), DeHavilland Aircraft of Canada, and British Aircraft Corporation.

Smith has published papers in the fields of space mechanisms, deployable structures and management. He has taught program management and international science and technology as an adjunct professor at George Washington University. Smith holds doctorate and masters degrees in management of science, technology, and innovation from George Washington University, and an undergraduate degree in mechanical engineering from Swindon College, United Kingdom.

Smith and his wife will be relocating to Pasadena, Calif. from Derwood, Md.

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ARLINGTON, VA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Air France and USAir have signed a letter of intent to enter into a multi-faceted marketing agreement that will include coordination of automation, marketing, scheduling and joint facilities.

This agreement, which is the first of its kind between Air France and a major U.S. carrier, will enable both airlines to offer a broader spectrum of services and destinations to their passengers both in Europe and in the United States. As part of the agreement, Air France and USAir will be able to purchase a block of seats for resale on designated transatlantic flights between their two countries.

USAir Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Edwin I. Colodny said: "A

comprehensive agreement with Air France will be a major step in our program to gain a larger share of the growing international market. USAir links dozens of interior cities in the United States with virtually all of the primary international gateway airports served by Air France. This provides a myriad of joint opportunities."

Among the opportunities to be explored by the two airlines worldwide will be joint advertising and sales promotions, code sharing, cargo development, automation enhancements that include seat selection and advance boarding passes, and shared terminal facilities at Paris' Charles de Gaulle Airport when USAir begins Philadelphia-Paris service in early 1991. Air France is already a partner in the USAir Frequent Traveler Program.

As part of the agreement, Air France and USAir will have a reciprocal blocked space program on the USAir flight between Philadelphia and Paris beginning in the spring of 1991, and on an Air France flight, beginning in the spring of 1992, between Paris and another of USAir's principal hubs to be chosen by Air France. This program is subject to approval of both governments.

Airports in the United States served by both Air France and USAir are New York's John F. Kennedy, Newark, Boston, Washington Dulles International, Miami Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago and Houston. Air France offers more than sixty flights each week between France and the United States.

USAir currently operates daily nonstop service between Charlotte and London and Pittsburgh and Frankfurt, as well as service to three Canadian points, Bermuda and the Bahamas.

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MALVERN, PA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Felix Zandman, chairman and chief executive officer of Vishay Intertechnology Inc. (NYSE: VSH) announced today that the previously disclosed investigation into the conduct of certain former employees of Dale Electronics Inc. has resulted in Dale's agreement to plead guilty to certain charges.

All of the acts in question occurred prior to Dale's becoming a wholly owned subsidiary of Vishay. In accordance with the agreement, Dale paid the U.S. government approximately $3.8 million in restitution, interest, fines and related costs.

As a result of this settlement and Vishay's cooperation and reputation, the government has agreed that Dale would not be debarred from doing business with the government. The government also agreed that no further prosecution

against Dale would result from these activities.

Vishay also announced that it will be reporting a pretax gain of approximately $2 million (net of associated costs) in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, from the sale of a currency option that the company had purchased in conjunction with the lapsed acquisition of Crystalate Holdings plc.

Zandman stated that the net effect of these unusual items will be a reduction in earnings per share of approximately 7 cents to 10 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, depending upon dilution and tax treatment.

Vishay Intertechnology Inc. is a leading U.S. and European producer of a wide range of electronic resistors and resistive sensors. It also is a major producer of other types of passive electronic components. The company's products are used in a broad range of industries.

CONTACT: Robert A. Freece, vice president and treasurer of Vishay Intertechnology, 215-644-1300

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MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Metropolitan Financial Corporation (NYSE: MFC), Fargo, N.D., announced today that it has completed two transactions with the Resolution Trust Corporation and, as a result, has acquired First Savings Association, F.A., of Bismarck, N.D., with deposits of $85.1 million and the deposits of 12 branches of Midwest Federal Savings Bank of Minot, N.D., totaling $341.9 million. The acquisition was completed through Metropolitan Financial Corporation's savings bank subsidiary, Metropolitan Federal Bank, fsb. Metropolitan Financial paid $430,000 for the Bismarck institution and a total of $685,000 for the Minot branches and deposits.

The Bismarck transaction was a purchase of the entire institution, assets and liabilities, with options that Metropolitan can exercise on the assets within the first 120 days of the transaction. In addition to the home office in Bismarck, the institution has a branch in Mandan.

The 12 Midwest Federal Savings Bank branches include that institution's main office in downtown Minot and its two Grand Forks branches. The other branches are located in Valley City, Devils Lake, Bottineau, Cavalier, Grafton, Kenmare Rugby, Stanley and Garrison.

Stan K. Dardis, the president and chief operating officer of Metropolitan Federal Bank, fsb, commented, "We are delighted with the opportunity that these transactions provide Metropolitan Federal Bank. First, they affirm Metropolitan's commitment to North Dakota, where we were founded in 1926 and where we are the largest financial institution. Second, they will enable Metropolitan to expand the office network and broaden our market share in

solid, successful North Dakota communities."

Company officials noted that Metropolitan was able to successfully pursue and complete these transactions because the bank meets all the current and fully phased in regulatory capital levels. Metropolitan expects to use the $427 million in deposits acquired to repay more expensive wholesale borrowings and effectively lower its cost of funds, thereby improving its profitability. It does not expect any significant change in its capital levels or ratios subsequent to today's transactions.

Metropolitan Financial Corporation is one of the largest savings institutions in the country with assets in excess of $3.9 billion at June 30, 1990. Through its savings bank subsidiary it operates 103 branch offices in North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Arizona. The company's common and preferred stock trade on the New York Stock Exchange; the common under the symbol MFC.

CONTACT: Bill Bartkowski of Metropolitan Financial Corporation, 612-673-1404.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines' (NYSE: DAL) senior vice president - finance, Thomas J. Roeck Jr., issued a statement that the price of jet fuel has jumped sharply in the last few days, significantly above the large increase already experienced since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Roeck stated: "Delta's fuel price as of today is approximately 94 cents per gallon, 64 percent above the price of 57 cents per gallon on July 31." Roeck noted that Delta had filed a 5.3 percent domestic fare increase effective Aug. 30 and another domestic fare increase of 4.2 percent effective Oct. 1, to offset the increase in fuel costs. However, he indicated that neither increase will have a significant impact on the September 1990 quarter's revenue.

Roeck stated: "That in view of this sharp run up in fuel prices and the current condition of the general economy, the company expects the results of operations for the September 1990 quarter will be significantly worse than the results for the 1989 quarter." He noted that the financial results for the 1989 quarter were positively impacted by a strike against a major competitor and were the highest recorded by Delta in a September quarter.

CONTACT: Delta public relations, 404-765-2533.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Index Technology Corporation (NASDAQ:

INDX), a leading developer of computer-aided software engineering (CASE) products, today introduced Excelerator for Design Recovery (XL/Recover), a software reverse engineering product that uses the power of CASE to address today's most critical IS challenge -- the maintenance, enhancement and replacement of existing information systems.

The new product, available now, for the first time lets organizations use Excelerator to automatically analyze, document and then revise existing COBOL applications. Excelerator is the industry's leading systems analysis and design CASE tool. To date, CASE tools have been used primarily for the development of new information systems.

Most older systems are composed of thousands, or even millions, of lines of code, which have been repeatedly patched and modified and often are undocumented. Maintenance of these systems -- which ranges from addition of new functions and bug fixes to accommodation of new hardware and operating systems -- typically consumes more than 80 percent of software development budgets.

XL/Recover, an integrated set of reverse engineering tools, scans COBOL programs, recovers data and design information and then stores it in the Excelerator repository. Unlike other products, XL/Recover captures both data structures and procedure code, as well as screen maps. The product automatically translates code into simple diagrams, which would otherwise take many hours to produce.

XL/Recover reads COBOL, IMS/MFS, CICS/BMS and IMS database definitions, and generates diagrams, design entities and detailed analysis reports that enable users to evaluate, document or completely reengineer an application. Once transferred to the Excelerator repository, analysts can use Excelerator to manipulate the information and generate specifications, such as diagrams, screen layouts and analysis reports.

Excelerator, with an installed base of more than 24,000, automates much of the systems analysis and design process, helping systems development professionals create and revise systems diagrams and charts, validate and cross-reference design data, prototype screens and reports, and create user- and system-related documentation before coding.

XL/Recover runs on the IBM PS/2, PC AT and compatibles. It is priced at $9,800; quantity discounts begin with purchases of two copies. The initial release of XL/Recover runs on the MS-DOS operating system. An OS/2 version is planned for next year.

Index Technology, founded in 1983, markets its products from its Cambridge, Mass., headquarters, from field sales and support offices throughout the U.S. and Canada, through subsidiaries in the U.K., France, West Germany and Australia, and through third-party distributors, providing coverage in

approximatley 40 countries.

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ROCKVILLE, MD. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - GE Information Services (GEIS) has announced the installation of a GEIS network node in East Berlin and plans to install network nodes in three other cities in East Germany -- Dresden, Leipzig and Chemnitz -- before the end of 1990. These GEIS network nodes in East Germany will allow direct local access to the GEIS network and its value-added applications via a local phone call.

Since the unification efforts began, demand from West German government and corporate entities for information on East German companies, branch offices and markets has grown significantly.

The GEIS clients who are accessing the GEIS network now via East Berlin include: Handelsblatt, Sueddeutsche Zeitung, and Axel Springer Verlag. Network access requirements of other GEIS clients in East Germany in the banking and manufacturing industries are also being served at this time.

With the establishment of the GEIS network node in East Berlin, followed by the three additional planned sites in East Germany, companies there can now access a variety of applications offered on the GEIS network, such as electronic message handling services, electronic data interchange (EDI) systems, network management services, as well as equipment management system, port system, order entry system, financial management and reporting system, and hotel reservation system services.

This GEIS network expansion into East Germany is the first step towards the possible further expansion of its network into other countries in Eastern Europe. The GEIS network has direct local access in 35 countries, with additional access via Public Data Networks (PDNs) in 70 more countries.

For further information on GEIS' network access in East Germany, please call GEIS' Global Support Services in the U.S. at 301-251-6510, or call GEIS in Germany at (49) 2233-6091. GE Information Services, a division of General Electric Company, USA, has its headquarters in Rockville. In Germany, GE Information Services is headquartered in Cologne and has local offices in Frankfurt, Munich and Stuttgart.

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SIMI VALLEY, CA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - MICOM Communications Corp. is introducing a new series of products that are the first to use Fast Packet Multiplexing for integrating data, voice, fax and LAN traffic over low-cost, low-speed leased lines.

The debut of the Marathon series of Data/Voice Network Servers begins with the introduction of the 5K model at TCA '90 in San Diego (Sept. 25-27), a product launch the company claims will start a new era that will make the benefits of integrated networks available to all wide-area network users. MICOM says small to medium sized businesses have been locked out of remote data/voice integration benefits until now.

Bal says that any user of synchronous or asynchronous devices or LAN bridges or routers can add voice and fax traffic to their data network and cut their toll call charges. Additionally, the product can be used to bring data capabilities to what have traditionally been telephone-only networks.

MICOM contends that the bottom line customer benefit of the Marathon series is a bottom line issue: saving money. By adding voice, fax, and LAN traffic to a low-speed line that previously would have been used to carry data only, the company says users can eliminate interoffice toll and fax charges between remote sites. The company says just one hour of daily phone and fax traffic between offices can allow the Marathon 5K solution to pay for itself in under one year by eliminating toll charges.

The Marathon 5K achieves this integration breakthrough by combining four bandwidth saving technologies: data compression, speech compression, fax demodulation, and Fast Packet Multiplexing (FPM). MICOM uses the term Rapid Relay to describe the combination of these technologies.

According to Guy, the key element behind MICOM's Rapid Relay technology is the low-delay, low-speed Fast Packet Multiplexing protocol. "MICOM appears to be the only company implementing Fast Packet Multiplexing on low-cost platforms for use on economical low- speed networks.

MICOM Communications Corp. is a global supplier of data/voice integration, local networking and wide area network (WAN) products including X.25 networking products.

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PHOENIX, AZ. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Keebee Corporation (OTC Bulletin Board: KEBE) announced today the signing of an agreement providing for the purchase, through Express Bank, Ltd., of Washington, D.C., of 250,000 tons of processed ore concentrates containing gold, silver and platinum group metals. The new improved technology for the extraction and recovery of these metals will be used on an environmental clean-up project which will produce, as a by-product, iron hydroxide which is used by the agricultural community to enhance depleted soils.

Also to be included in the acquisition are various mineral leases. The purchase price to be paid by Keebee for the assets is 210,000,000 million shares of Keebee stock. Keebee further announced the proposed purchase of mines, equipment, mills and related real property from American Security Corporation ("ASC") of Nevada in exchange for the transfer to ASC of $100,000,000 of debentures and interest thereon which had been purchased by Keebee in June 1990 from Bristol Merchant Savings and Guardian Savings & Guaranty, Inc. Completion of the transactions is subject to, among other things, Keebee's satisfaction, after its investigation by assay and certification, of the quantity, quality and economic viability of the ore concentrates. Keebee is currently initiating the assay and certification and is unable to state when the investigation of the concentrates will be completed or what the results will be.

The general offices of Keebee will be located at 2828 North Central Ave., Suite 1200, Phoenix, AZ 85072.

CONTACT: John Lowy, company counsel of Keebee, 212-371-7799

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HARRISBURG, PA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Harsco Corp. (NYSE: HSC) Malcolm W. Gambill, president and chief executive officer of Harsco Corp., announced today that the company's Harrisburg-based Taylor- Wharton plant has won $15 million worth of new business from West Germany for its high pressure steel cylinders after meeting stringent code approval requirements in that country.

Taylor-Wharton is a part of Harsco's Plant City Steel Division, a specialist in the manufacture of gas containment products with plants in both the United States and Europe.

In making the announcement, Gambill commented: "Taylor-Wharton's initiative and determination are commendable. Their accomplishment in winning this new business testifies to the export opportunities available to U.S. industry and to the resolve needed to meet those opportunities. We are very pleased with Taylor-Wharton and its contribution to the growing internationalization of Harsco's Engineered Products Group."

Harsco Corp. is a diversified, international, industrial company headquartered in Camp Hill, Pa. The company's 12 divisions provide products and services for defense, industrial, commercial and construction applications from more than 270 facilities in 32 states and 15 countries.

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TROY, OH (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - PMI Food Equipment Group, a business unit of Premark International (NYSE: PMI), announced today its plans to expand the company's Elgersweier, Germany, manufacturing operation.

The expansion, which is expected to cost approximately $3 million, will add 33,000 square feet to an existing 135,000 square foot facility.

The company currently produces Hobart brand commercial warewashing and waste systems in Elgesweier. The new addition will house production of highly automated warewashing systems for the airline catering market as well as advanced engineering and expanded technical training operations. Elgersweier, which currently employs 394 people, will be adding approximately 50-60 manufacturing and technical personnel.

Construction for the expansion is expected to begin immediately with the completion date of June 1991.

Enzo De Benedetti, president of PMI Food Equipment Group Europe, said, "This investment is a reflection of the company's development strategy for the European market and should further strengthen the leadership position of Hobart in the industry."

PMI Food Equipment Group is the premier supplier of equipment, systems and service to the world's food industry. Its products are marketed under the Hobart, Vulcan, Foster, Wolf, Stero, Adamatic, Tasselli, Still, Regethermic and Inoxyform trademarks and sold in more than 100 countries.

CONTACT: C.E. Cochran of PMI Food Equipment Group, 513-332-2417

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LONDON (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Maxwell, publisher and editor-in-chief and Ian Watson, editor of The European, today announced the appointment of Tony Rennell, 42, formerly of The Sunday Times, as executive editor of The European. Rennell's extensive experience in news, features and production will be an invaluable asset in building upon the already established success of The European.

Rennell will take up his duties with The European on Monday, September 24. Rennell was managing editor of The Sunday Times arts, books, style and travel sections for the past 3 years. Before that time he was in charge of the paper's news coverage. Rennell has been with Times Newspapers for the past 13 years.

"I am delighted to be joining The European at this exciting stage of its development. The paper has clearly established itself and now intends to consolidate its position in the European market. I am sure that my experience can help the team to do just that," Rennell said.

CONTACT: Ian Watson, 071-822-3271, or Tony Rennell, 071-482-0474, both of The European

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SOMERVILLE, NJ (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Unimed, Inc. (NASDAQ: UMED) announced today that it has terminated negotiations on its proposed private equity placement with a Far Eastern group.

Harold J. Tenoso, Unimed's president and chief executive officer, stated, "Although we are pleased with the interest in our company by a Far Eastern group, the recent unsettled conditions in the financial markets make this an inopportune time for concluding this arrangement." He went on to say, "Our product portfolio is advancing and we are continuing to seek alliances to support our growth through their resources and established relationships in the pharmaceutical industry. We are particularly encouraged by the recent sales growth in Marinol (dronabinol), Unimed's antinausea pharmaceutical for cancer chemotherapy, and are looking forward to improved fourth quarter performance."

Unimed, Inc. is a pharmaceutical company specializing in the early acquisition development and marketing of new cancer therapeutic compounds. With its unique "technology management" strategy, the company bridges the gap between university research centers and pharmaceutical manufacturers to bring promising new therapeutics to market.

CONTACT: Harold J. Tenoso, Ph.D., and president and chief executive officer of Unimed, 201-526-6894, or Robert Borchert of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Unimed

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LOS ANGELES, (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Independent Entertainment Group (NASDAQ: INDE) announced today the launch of a new satellite delivered

pay-per-view (PPV) and pay television service called "Night Action Network."

The new service is a joint venture with Avalon Pictures, Inc., a Los Angeles based PPV company which recently launched "Action Pay-Per-View," a 24-hour exclusive PPV service featuring primarily action, adventure and thriller programming. Avalon's "Action" is funded with $31 million in financing from Tokyo-based Horikoshi Entertainment Corp., a subsidiary of the $10 billion Horikoshi Corp.

"Night Action Network" is a four-hour nightime segment of the Action Pay-Per-View channel featuring sexy and provocative programming for the adult market. "Night Action Network" will be launched in at least 400,000 cable system homes in November on a pay-per-view basis and will also be available to over 700,000 backyard satellite dish homes on a pay subscription basis. PPV buyers will be charged around $5.00 per evening for "Night Action Network," and backyard satellite dish subscribers will pay approximately $60 per year.

"This new venture is well aligned with our overall PPV distribution strategy," said Tom Coleman, INDE chairman and president. "With our piece of the venture fixed, we have greatly reduced the downside of PPV channel ownership and yet maintain tremendous upside potential. Our partners in this venture have the financial resources for the long term staying power necessary to launch the new service. The flexibility and dual revenue streams of selling 'Night Action Network' in both PPV and subscription markets is very advantageous to us."

The joint venture between INDE and Avalon provides for a 50/50 sharing of revenues with Avalon contributing marketing and operating functions and INDE providing all programming and fixed cash contributions. Additionally, INDE receives a programming and distribution fee of approximately 12 percent of gross receipts and will also be supplying a portion of "Action's" programming slate.

Chief Financial Officer Lew Eisaguirre also stated, "The numbers factor out very nicely on this venture. With the way it's structured, we could see break even within a few months, and with rather conservative buy rates and household penetration we could see revenues in the $20 million range within a few years, with 20 to 30 percent of that falling to bottom line. Perhaps more important than earnings is the potential asset value of our equity position in the channel. We've all seen the kind of value created during the 1980s out of the success of targeted basic cable channels -- projects like MTV and ESPN. We think the same potential exists for PPV channels during the '90s.

"Our total investment in this project," continued Eisaguirre, "will represent a small percentage of our capitalization leaving us funds for several other opportunities we are pursuing. This deal is also well aligned with our overall PPV distribution strategy of prioritizing activities which get us a lot closer to controlling the product and ultimately the 'dollar.' The future

of this business is much bigger than being a boxing match distributor and we are directing our commitments toward these new opportunities.

INDE recently announced year-end results of $10,624,628 in revenues and $112,934 in earnings for the year ended April 30, 1990. The company specializes in the promotion, acquisition and distribution of sporting events, movies, concerts and other programming to the burgeoning pay-per-view marketplace.

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MURRAY HILL, NJ (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Airco Gases has an agreement with the Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) to construct an on-site nitrogen generating plant that will supply 200 tons per day of high- purity nitrogen to Upjohn's pharmaceutical complex at Kalamazoo, Mich.

The new unit is scheduled to be on stream by August 1991 and will produce nitrogen with a purity level of 99.999 percent. It will replace an older nitrogen unit located about one-half mile from the Kalamazoo facility, from which Upjohn currently pipes nitrogen to its pharmaceutical production plant.

After considering an off-site generator, Upjohn decided it was in its best interest to have a dedicated, on-site plant, says Ron Blanke, Upjohn's contract administrator for purchased utilities. Not only will the new plant have more nitrogen capacity than the unit Upjohn currently relies upon, but it also will employ modern technology resulting in less energy consumption, Blanke notes.

Upjohn uses nitrogen primarily for blanketing chemical storage tanks so that vapors do not escape and oxygen does not enter the system. Nitrogen also is used for pressure transfer where product is pushed through piping, tanks and other vessels. Finally, nitrogen has safety applications because it can be used to inert a chemical reaction that might become unstable.

Airco has a strong record in building nitrogen generators for a variety of industries in the U.S. In addition to the Upjohn project, Airco recently completed a large nitrogen unit for another pharmaceutical company in the Northeast.

Airco Gases is a leading manufacturer and supplier of industrial gases and gas handling technology in the United States. The company's primary gas products include liquid and gaseous nitrogen, oxygen, argon, carbon dioxide, helium, hydrogen and a variety of medical, rare and special gases. The company is a member of the BOC Group, the worldwide gases company operating in more than 50 countries and with sales last year of over $4 billion.

The Upjohn Company is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care and animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seed, and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Weightman Group, a Philadelphia-based communications company, has acquired Rosenfeld Media Group, according to Weightman President and Chief Operating Officer John Goodchild.

The acquisition enhances the agency's communications capabilities by providing an expanded variety of consulting and production services to corporate, governmental, institutional, media and non-profit clients.

Stephan Rosenfeld, who for the past 17 years in the media has covered everything from California earthquakes to manners in Moscow and Philadelphia politics, will become senior vice president and director of the newly formed Media Resources Group, according to Goodchild.

Rosenfeld, whose career in television and print journalism included stints as executive news producer in Philadelphia and San Francisco and political writer for the Philadelphia Daily News, has been executive director of the Rosenfeld Media Group since 1985.

"Steph brings to our public relations company a wealth of experience in news, government, and media relations," Goodchild said. "His addition, and the creation of the Media Resources Group, adds another valuable dimension to our business that will help service our growing, national client base."

The Weightman Group is the largest independently owned and managed communications company in the Delaware Valley, with full-service capabilities including advertising, public relations, direct marketing and market research. The Weightman Group is comprised of five operating units: Weightman Advertising, Schaefer Advertising, Weightman Public Relations, Roska Direct Marketing and Weightman Research.

CONTACT: Dava Guerin of Weightman Public Relations, 215-561-6100, or at home, 215-635-5985.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Renault Vehicules Industriels S.A. (RVI) announced today that at 5:45 p.m., New York City time, on Friday, Sept. 21, 1990, the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice terminated the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act applicable to the tender offer by ITM Acquisition Corp., an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of RVI, to acquire all of the outstanding common stock of Mack Trucks, Inc. (NASDAQ: MACK) not owned directly or indirectly by RVI. RVI also announced that the offer has been extended until 9:00 p.m., New York City time, on Friday, Sept. 28, 1990, in order to provide more time to satisfy the 90 percent minimum tender condition to the offer. The offer had been scheduled to expire tomorrow at 9:00 p.m., New York City time.

As of 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on Sept. 21, 1990, an aggregate of 5,971,682 Mack shares (representing approximately 19.9 percent of the outstanding common stock of Mack) had been tendered pursuant to the offer. The tendered shares, together with the Mack shares beneficially owned directly or indirectly by RVI, represent approximately 64.2 percent of the total outstanding common stock of Mack.

Substantial additional information regarding RVI and the offer is available for inspection during regular business hours at the principal offices of each of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and the Pennsylvania Securities Commission.

CONTACT: Elios Pascual of Renault Vehicules Industriels, 011-331-4772-5335, or Marisa Heine or William Catacosinos of D.F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for Renault.

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WEST PALM BEACH, FLA. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Dycom Industries, Inc. announced that its common stock has been listed for trading on the New York Stock Exchange, effective today, under the symbol "DY". The company's common stock was previously traded over-the-counter and reported on the NASDAQ National Market list under the symbol "DYCO".

"This is an historic day for Dycom," stated Thomas R. Pledger, president and CEO of Dycom Industries. "We recently had an operating performance record for fiscal 1990 and we have developed a clear strategy for continued growth and profitability. Now we have taken an important step with the New York Stock Exchange listing to enhance our efforts with the domestic and foreign investment community. We believe our listing will be of great benefit to our shareholder and to our future plans for expansion."

Dycom provides fiber optic transmission systems and master contract installation services to the telecommunications industry. The company operates through wholly owned subsidiaries. Dycom had sales of $166.7

million for its fiscal year ended July 31, 1990, with earnings of $9.6 million or $1.10 per share. These numbers reflect the 3-for-2 stock split which was effective Aug. 22, 1990.

CONTACT: Thomas R. Pledger, president and chief executive officer of Dycom, 407-659-6301, or Cynthia A. Bond of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Dycom

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#90267p7299 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, SC (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Multimedia (NASDAQ-NMS: MMED) today announced that its Board of Directors has authorized the purchase of up to 750,000 shares of the outstanding common stock of the Company. The Company said that purchases, when made, will occur in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions at the then prevailing prices. Goldman, Sachs Co. has been designated as agent for the share purchase program.

On June 29, 1990, the Company completed a refinancing which provided it with a $700 million bank facility and a $400 million private placement of unsecured senior notes. This financing provided the Company with additional debt capacity over its current needs of approximately $375 million. Walter E. Bartlett, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, stated, "The financing provides Multimedia with flexibility during a time of tight credit and soft business environment. This positions the Company to maximize shareholder value by taking advantage of unique and special business opportunities similar to its pending acquisition of WKYC-TV in Cleveland, as well as providing funds to repurchase the Company's stock from time to time based on market conditions."

Multimedia, Inc. is a diversified media communications company headquartered in Greenville, S.C., which publishes 13 daily and 49 non-daily newspapers, owns and operates four television and eight radio stations and a video production company, operates more than 100 cable television franchises in four states, and produces and syndicates quality television programming, including the Phil Donahue and Sally Jessy Raphael shows.

CONTACT: Elizabeth S. Mills, Vice President, Corporate Communications, Multimedia, Inc., 803-298-4393 or 803-298-4389

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#90267p7300 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Independence Blue Cross, the region's largest healthcare insurer, has purchased Vista Health Plan Inc., a health maintenance organization which serves Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia counties.

The announcement was made jointly today by G. Fred DiBona Jr., president and

chief executive officer of Independence Blue Cross, and Nathan C. Kleinberg, president of Vista.

"Our new partnership with Vista adds to the excellence and number of companies within the Independence Blue Cross family and greatly strengthens our ability to continue providing quality healthcare benefits to customers throughout Southeastern Pennsylvania," DiBona said. "We're looking forward to working closely with Vista's extremely talented management group."

"We regard this action as a very positive move for Vista and for our members," Kleinberg stated. "We are excited to be part of the Independence Blue Cross group of plans."

Vista, a for-profit company headquartered in King of Prussia, has become one of the fastest-growing new HMOs in the region. Enrollment, now at 22,400 members, has doubled in just the last 18 months.

Founded in late 1986, Vista currently is offered to 2,200 area companies embracing more than 500,000 employees and their dependents. Annual premium income generated from these firms is more than $20 million.

Vista is the second HMO acquired by Independence Blue Cross in recent years. The other plan is Delaware Valley HMO (DVHMO).

Independence Blue Cross serves approximately 2 million subscribers in the region.

CONTACT: Dick Mendenhall, 215-241-3101, or Andrea King, 215-241-3102, both of Independence Blue Cross.

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#90267p7301 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - 900 Broadcasting Ltd. announced today a new telephone line, "1-900-321-4-USA," which relays voice messages to U.S. troops stationed in the Middle East.

Fifty cents from each call will be donated to the American Red Cross for its ongoing support of service members and their families.

The mission of the American Red Cross in support of Operation Desert Shield is to provide assistance in maintaining emergency communications between U.S. military deployed in the Persian Gulf and their families at home.

This new "1-900-321-4-USA" number allows all Americans to leave messages of support and encouragement on audio cassette tapes to be shipped to Operation Desert Shield.

According to 900 Broadcasting, troops receive almost no news from the outside -- Iraqi radio signals are jamming "Voice of America" broadcasts in Saudi Arabia -- and soldiers are desperate to hear from home.

"1-900-321-4-USA" will be promoted through a national television campaign of one-minute spots which will begin airing Wednesday, Sept. 26.

CONTACT: Elissa Laurence of 900 Broadcasting, 215-735-5436.

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#90267p7303 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PIRAEUS, GREECE, (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The annual general meeting of Anangel-American Shipholdings Limited ("AASL") (NASDAQ: ASIPY) on Friday, Sept. 21, 1990, unanimously approved the company's annual report and accounts and the proposed final dividend of 40 cents per share, the company announced today.

The final dividend will be paid on Oct. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record date Aug. 31, 1990, and will bring the total dividend for the company's 1990 fiscal year to US$1.25 per share.

At the annual general meeting the chairman, J. A. Angelicoussis, announced that as the company had repurchased some 880,000 of the 1,000,000 shares authorized by the board of directors when its treasury stock program had commenced in February 1990, the board of directors had decided to authorize the repurchase of up to a further 1,000,000 of its issued and outstanding ordinary shares at the discretion of the company's treasurer.

AASL owns and operates a diversified, primarily dry cargo fleet of 18 modern, Japanese built vessels totaling 760,281 deadweight. As announced in June, management have concluded a memorandum of agreement for the sale of one of these vessels, the M.V. "Alpha Flame," a 1982 built Panamax. When concluded the sale will generate a profit of approximately US$7,000,000 for inclusion in the company's 1991 accounts.

CONTACT: I. C. Davis, vice president of Anangel-American, in Greece, 1-411-9013, or in London, 71-828-3388

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#90267p7304 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The least expensive model of the completely restyled 1991 Tercel will be priced at $6,488, the same as the 1990 model it replaces, Toyota Motor Sales (TMS), U.S.A., Inc., announced today.

Toyota's 1991 fourth-generation Tercel line, which includes a two- door sedan, two- and four-door deluxe sedan and four-door LE sedan, replaces last year's

three-door hatchback and two-door coupe. The four- door deluxe sedan, which is offered for the first time, starts at $7,898.

"Improvements in style, performance, interior design and ride comfort will make the new Tercel one of the best values in the subcompact market," said Bob McCurry, TMS executive vice president.

The newly designed Tercel weighs less, has a larger trunk and 10 percent more interior space than previous models. It also has a quieter, smoother ride and more power from an improved 1.5-liter single- overhead-cam, fuel-injected multi-valve four-cylinder engine. Tercel's aerodynamic body features a high deck with wedge-shaped rounded styling.

CONTACT: John McCandless, 313-259-2004, or Mindy Geller, 213-618-5204, both of Toyota.

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#90267p7305 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert McCurry expects Toyota to sell 140,000 1991 Toyota Tercel subcompact sedans, in spite of market factors that could "turn the green light to yellow."

The executive vice president of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., told reporters at the Tercel press introduction here that in today's competitive subcompact segment, Tercel signifies "the death of the econobox and the birth of any entry-level sedan with high tech, high mileage and Toyota quality."

The base '91 Tercel's preliminary 33/37 city/highway mileage beats last year's 31/36 EPA rating, McCurry said. The new Tercel's base price remains the same as last year's, at $6,488, making the Tercel two-door sedan the lowest-priced car sold in the United States with a trunk. The Tercel four-door deluxe sedan starts at $7,898, making it the lowest- priced four-door sedan in the United States from a volume Japanese manufacturer.

In addition, McCurry attributed Tercel's high initial sales goals to its uplevel sedan styling, increased interior and cargo space, and increased horsepower and noise insulation.

However, the fourth-generation Tercel faces a congested entry-level segment that has competitors "saddled with value packages and incentives right out of the starting gate," McCurry said.

Toyota has delivered on past promises, McCurry said, including increased U.S. production. Toyota has built more than 714,000 cars in North America, he said, and about 30 percent of the vehicles Toyota sells here are North American-built.

U.S. production will account for more Toyota sales next year, he said. Other promises fulfilled include more dealers, McCurry said, especially in the Midwest. Toyota has added 64 more Toyota dealers, of which one-third are in the Midwest.

Toyota's total car share, including Lexus Division, is 9.2 percent through August, McCurry said, up from 6.8 percent for the first eight months of last year. August, Toyota's best month ever, saw record Toyota Division car sales of 90,739, of which a record 41,798 were domestically produced. Camry, which is built in Georgetown, Ky., was the top-selling car in the United States in August for the first time.

Market uncertainties over the Iran/Kuwait conflict could further aggravate the current industry downturn, he said.

CONTACT: John McCandless, 313-259-2004, or Mike Michels, 213-618-4718, both of Toyota

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#90267p7308 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Tescorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: TESCC) today announced its acquisition of substantially all of the assets of Electro-Technical Laboratories, Inc. ("ETL"), a Houston-based manufacturer of geophones and geophone cases. ETL's sales for the most recent twelve months were about $600,000. Customers outside the geophysical industry generated most of these revenues, purchasing equipment for commercial and military applications.

"Although a relatively small factor in the geophysical geophone business, ETL is an important acquisition for Tescorp," stated Tescorp President C. Robert Bunch. "ETL gives us a toehold in an important segment of the business in which we currently do not compete. We believe that we can build on ETL's base of commercial and military business by expanding its sales to the geophysical industry."

Tescorp currently manufactures and sells cable and cable connectors to the geophysical industry through its Tescorp Seismic Products division. The company also manufactures and distributes oil and gas production equipment. For the three months ended June 30, 1990, Tescorp's revenues were $6,165,000 and net income was $382,000, or $0.07 per share.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

CONTACT: C. Robert Bunch, president, Tescorp, Inc., 713/462-0867

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#90267p7311 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

FT. WORTH, TX (SEPT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Aztec Manufacturing Co. (NASDAQ: AZTC) announced that it is in the process of negotiating for the purchase of substantially all of the assets of The Calvert Company. Terms of the proposed acquisition were not announced.

The Calvert Company, based in a suburb of Jackson, Miss., manufacturers and sells bus ducts, which convey electrical current and are marketed primarily to the power generation industry and secondarily to industries which use large amounts of power such as the transit, pulp and paper, steel, refinery and glass industries.

While the companies believe that they have reached agreement on the most essential terms of the proposed acquisition, consummation is subject to agreement by the companies on the provisions of an asset purchase agreement.

CONTACT: Dana Perry of Aztec Manufacturing Co., 817-297-4361

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#90267p7312 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAYNE, PA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Telephone communication will no longer present a barrier to people with hearing- and speech-impairments with the opening today of the AT&T (NYSE: T) Pennsylvania Relay Center.

The AT&T-operated center in Wayne will serve as a link between telephone callers and users of telecommunications devices for the deaf (TDDs).

Telephone and TDD users reach the relay center via 800 numbers where their calls are answered by a communications assistant. The communications assistant types the spoken words from the telephone users into text which appears on the screen of a TDD, a typewriter-like machine linked to a telephone line. The TDD user's typed response is then voiced by the communications assistant to the telephone user. In this manner, the conversation between the telephone user and the TDD user is relayed back and forth.

Without relay service, TDD users can communicate by phone only with other TDD users.

The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) approved in May AT&T's application to provide the service. The company was selected to establish and operate the relay center following an extensive bidding process conducted by the Pennsylvania Telephone Association (PTA).

An added relay feature will give deaf or hearing-impaired customers the option of speaking themselves and using the communications assistant only to translate the telephone user's response into typed text. Speech- impaired

customers similarly can use the communications assistant only to voice their typed words.

The AT&T Pennsylvania Relay Center, which employs 64 people, will operate around-the-clock. It is funded through a monthly surcharge on local telephone access lines of 8 cents per line for residential customers and 16 cents per line for businesses.

Calls placed through the relay center will be billed at regular telephone rates, with applicable discounts. Long-distance calls will be billed by the long-distance company designated by the caller. TDD users can reach the relay center by calling toll-free 800-654-5984; telephone users can call 800-654-5988.

AT&T currently operates dual party relay centers in California, New York, Alabama, Illinois and Tennessee.

CONTACT: Nancy J. Smith of AT&T, 717-975-6556, or at home, 717-737-2045.

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#90267p7314 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Lafarge Corporation (NYSE: LAF), one of the leading construction materials companies in North America, today opened a new 6,000-ton cement terminal on Seattle's Duwamish Waterway.

The terminal is the first permanent cement storage facility Lafarge has built in Washington state. Last year the company purchased two terminals in eastern Washington and opened sales offices in Seattle and Spokane.

Built by General Construction Contractors, the Seattle facility has four 1,500-ton, 85-foot-high silos. It features a 140-foot truck scale, automated sampling system and a dock that accepts barges up to 350 feet long.

Lafarge ships cement to the terminal by barge from its waterfront plant in Richmond, British Columbia.

"Our customers are glad to see this terminal up and running," said Gerry Stewart, regional vice president for Lafarge in Seattle. "It means faster loading times for their trucks and better service. It also means Lafarge is here to stay in Seattle; we like the long-term growth prospects here."

Lafarge operates 13 cement plants, six grinding plants and more than 75 terminals with annual cement sales of 12 million short tons. The company also has more than 400 construction materials locations, and is one of the largest suppliers of ready-mix concrete and aggregates in North America. Systech Environmental Corporation, a Lafarge subsidiary, is a leader in co-processing, or converting waste into fuel for cement kilns.

Based in Reston, Lafarge Corporation is a Fortune 500 company with more than 8,500 employees and revenues of $1.5 billion.

CONTACT: Gerry Stewart of Lafarge Corporation, 206-637-0100.

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#90267p7315 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Fredric K. McCaffrey, a one- time Philadelphia broadcaster who has served for more than a decade in various executive media capacities for state and federal government, has been appointed to the position of director of Media Relations of Independence Blue Cross.

The announcement was made by Richard A. Doran, vice president- Corporate Communications of Independence Blue Cross, the region's largest healthcare insurer.

McCaffrey will be responsible for the company's corporate publicity functions and will report to Doran.

A native of Philadelphia, McCaffrey has served for the last three years as director of Broadcasting for the Conference of the Minority in the United States Senate, where he has directed the operations of a television and radio news bureau active in the production of live programs, video documentaries on various public issues and international news conferences conducted via satellite.

From 1984 to 1987, he served as assistant press secretary to U.S. Sen. John Heinz (R-Pa.) and as press secretary to the Governmental Affairs Committee where he worked closely with U.S. Sen. William Roth (R-Del.).

McCaffrey worked for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the early 1980s as special assistant to the deputy secretary of Labor and Industry and, later, as assistant press secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

He graduated B.A., magna cum laude, in advertising/journalism at Temple's School of Communications and later studied French and international economics at the University of Fribourg in Switzerland.

McCaffrey is married and has two children.

CONTACT: Dick Mendenhall, 215-241-3101, or Andrea King, 215-241-3102, both of Independence Blue Cross

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#90267p7317 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DECATUR, GA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Darrell D. Pittard, president and chief executive officer of DeKalb Federal Savings Bank and its holding company, Prime Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: PMBS), announced the kickoff of a marketing campaign to promote the bank's name change.

Effective Oct. 1, DeKalb Federal Savings Bank will be known as Prime Bank, Federal Savings Bank. The campaign will run through October.

When making the announcement, Pittard mentioned several reasons for undertaking the name change. According to Pittard: "Prime Bank better represents who we are -- a strong financial institution offering first-rate products and services at 21 locations throughout metropolitan Atlanta. We now have more locations outside DeKalb County than within. Additionally, the name links the bank more closely with our publicly traded holding company -- Prime Bancshares Inc."

Prime Bancshares has consolidated total assets of $585 million and a strong capital position of 6 percent. The common stock of Prime Bancshares is traded Over-the-Counter and quoted on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation (NASDAQ) System under the symbol "PMBS."

CONTACT: Lynne Van Brocklin of Prime Bancshares, 404-377-0211.

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#90267p7318 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBOROUGH, MA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - New England Electric System (NYSE: NES) (NEES) today reported earnings for the eight months and 12 months ended August 1990 of $1.55 and $2.38 per average share, respectively. This compares to $1.52 and $2.08, respectively, earned in the corresponding periods last year on fewer average shares. Earnings for the first eight months of 1990 were increased by 7 cents per share due to a seasonal rate design implemented by NEES' wholesale generating subsidiary, New England Power Company, in 1989. This seasonal rate design involves higher rates during peak months and lower rates during off-peak months. It was designed not to have a significant impact on earnings over a full year.

NEW ENGLAND ELECTRIC SYSTEM AND SUBSIDIARIES (CONSOLIDATED)

	Eight Months Ended Aug. 31,	
	1990	1989
Operating revenue	$1,222,649,000	$1,085,108,000
Net income	$ 98,641,000	$ 88,683,000
Average common shares	63,593,978	58,261,636
Net income per average share	$1.55	$1.52

	12 Months Ended Aug. 31,	
	1990	1989

Operating revenue	$1,780,740,000	$1,578,211,000
Net income	$ 148,608,000	$ 120,500,000
Average common shares	62,391,140	58,005,657
Net income per average share	$ 2.38	$2.08

CONTACT: Linwood B. Stockwell of New England Electric System, 508-366-9011 (days) or 508-366-8794 (evenings).

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#90267p7322 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - E.F. Johnson Company, the Minneapolis-based radio communications unit of Diversified Energies, Inc. (NYSE: DEI), said today that it has received notification that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office will issue a patent covering power source technology developed by the company that can generate continuous, low-power, electrical energy for more than 25 years.

John D. Somrock, president and chief executive officer of E.F. Johnson, said the power-source technology developed by E.F. Johnson utilizes a unique light-emitting polymer that, when coupled with solar- type cells, generates electricity.

"We have achieved outputs in the microwatt range -- sufficient to energize certain integrated circuits and other low-power electronics," Somrock said, "and the potential exists for greatly increased energy output."

He said potential uses include applications that require the energy of a low-power, long-life battery and freedom from corrosive chemicals. "Its capability to operate at low temperatures makes it uniquely compatible with superconductor technology," Somrock said.

E.F. Johnson's new power source has operated at temperatures ranging from -196 degrees Celsius, the temperature of liquid nitrogen -- to +100 degrees Celsius the temperature of boiling water.

"Our engineers expect that further improvements may enable operation at temperatures as low as -270 degrees Celsius, which approaches absolute zero -- the temperature of outer space," Somrock said.

Because the technology operates without corrosive chemicals traditionally found in electrochemical cells, Somrock said that all indications are that it will safely produce continuous electricity for more than 25 years.

He said that because the company is still in the development process for the technology, commercialization probably won't occur for several years. Additional related patent applications are pending.

E.F. Johnson designs, manufactures and markets conventional, trunked and specialized radio frequency communications products and systems internationally. Its parent company, Diversified Energies, Inc., is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol: DEI.

CONTACT: B.J. Gibson, 612-342-4782, or K.K. Sundberg, 612-342-4833, both of Diversified Energies, Inc.

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#90267p7325 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON, (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boston Five Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: BFCS), today reported that its subsidiary, The Boston Five Cents Savings Bank, FSB, had residential mortgage production for the month and 10 months ending Aug. 31 1990, of $112.5 million and and $862.2 million, respectively. For the comparable periods in 1989 The Boston Five originated residential mortgages totaling $123.5 million and $798.6 million, respectively.

With total assets of over $2.1 billion, The Boston Five is one of the largest savings banks headquartered in Massachusetts. It currently services approximately $1.9 billion in mortgage loans for investors. The Boston Five Bancorp Inc. is the holding company of the Boston Five Cents Savings Bank, FSB. It operates 15 loan offices in New England and 21 full-service offices in eastern Massachusetts. Under the name Pope Mortgage Company it also operates two residential mortgage offices in the Carolinas.

CONTACT: Susan M. Reynolds, investor relations officer of The Boston Five, 617-742-6000, ext. 2107

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#90267p7329 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - An air fare deal that offers two round-trip flights to Mexican resorts for one air fare paid from Los Angeles or Seattle today was introduced by Mexico Travel Advisors and Mexicana Airlines.

Mexicana provides service to the resorts; Los Cabos at the tip of the Baja California peninsula, Puerto Vallarta and Mazatlan on the Pacific coast, and from Los Angeles only, Cancun in the Caribbean, for five- and eight-day Mexico Travel Advisors packages, each with a choice of hotels. The offer, applicable any day of the week to two passengers traveling together, is in effect through Oct. 31; all travel must be completed by Nov. 7.

From Los Angeles to Mazatlan, the air-inclusive starting price for five days is $388 for the first traveler and $70 for his or her companion; for eight days, it is $427 and $109. Puerto Vallarta packages start at $420 for the

first passenger for five days and $54 for the companion; eight-day Puerto Vallarta packages begin at $432 and $66. Los Cabos packages from Los Angeles are priced from $470 and $98 for five days, from $530 and $158 for eight. Cancun packages begin at $620 and $74 for five days, $662 and $116 for eight.

From Seattle, air-inclusive rates for five-day Mazatlan packages start at $622 for the first passenger and $70 for the companion; eight- day rates begin at $661 and $109. Puerto Vallarta packages are priced from $618 and $54 for five days and $630 and $66 for eight. Los Cabos packages from Seattle start at $684 and $98 for five days and $744 and $158 for eight.

Rates include airport transfers at the resort, hotel room tax and U.S. departure tax in addition to round-trip air fare and accommodations. Air fares are capacity controlled and available only on certain flights. Reservations and additional information can be obtained by phoning Mexico Travel Advisors at 800-876-4MTA, (876-4682).

CONTACT: Carol Zaiser 212-724-2116, for Mexico Travel Advisors

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#90267p7332 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

OTTAWA, (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - SHL Systemhouse Inc. (NASDAQ: SHKIF) of Ottawa today announced that it has entered into an agreement with Ingres Corporation (NASDAQ: RELY) of Alameda, Calif. which will see Systemhouse become an international center for "porting" Ingres relational database software to different hardware environments.

Every time there is an update or enhancement to the core product, the new version must be "ported" or adapted to run on all those hardware types. Systemhouse will be porting Ingres to existing Unix hardware platforms and to new hardware environments where Ingres is not yet available.

Ingres software currently runs on hardware from all major U.S. and international manufacturers including Digital Equipment, IBM, Hewlett- Packard Sun Microsystems, Bull, NCR, Sequent, Siemens, Pyramid and UNISYS.

James Black, vice president of Strategic Alliances for Ingres, said, "This agreement is unique within our industry and is the first step towards more cooperative efforts between Systemhouse and Ingres. In setting up this software lab, Systemhouse will be a center for expertise in porting our products with a worldwide mandate."

Peter Sandiford, SHL Systemhouse president, said "Today's announcement formalizes our longstanding relationship with Ingres and lays the foundation for an incroacingly beneficial partnership. Our company has enjoyed outstanding results using Ingres software."

Saskatchewan's Justice Automated Information Network (JAIN) has at its core an Ingres database while the recently completed Evaluation and Student Services System (ESS) for the Department of Education features one of the largest Ingres databases in North America.

Additionally, Systemhouse has incorporated Ingres software in a variety of other systems including a yard and vessel management system for NYK Shipping's new Marine Terminal in Los Angeles, the Supreme Court of Canada's case tracking system and the financial and inventory control system for Dallas-based Electra Communications.

Ingres, a publicly held corporation with revenues of $157 million in fiscal 1990, is a world leader in information integration products for complex systems applications.

Systemhouse is one of the largest systems integration firms in North America with 3,000 employees, 18 branches in Canada, the United States and Europe and 1989 revenues of $630 million.

CONTACT: Peter A. Sandiford of SHL Systemhouse, 613-236-1428, or Mark Lewis of Ingres, 415-748-3699

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#90267p7333 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBUQUERQUE, NM (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Public Service Co. of New Mexico (PNM) (NYSE: PNM) today announced that its board of directors has completed its review of the company's strategic alternatives. From its review, the board has endorsed a strategic business plan to maximize shareholder value and has elected to terminate discussions with the Wheeler Peak group who previously expressed an interest in purchasing the company.

The PNM board of directors instructed management to pursue a strategic plan that will set the company's course for the future. Key elements of the strategic plan include: (1) Pursuit of additional transmission opportunities for both electric and gas operations to enable the company to reach previously untapped markets; (2) Aggressive marketing of the company's excess capacity by fully implementing recently approved economic development rates for new and expanding businesses in the company's service territory; and (3) Pursuit of the sale of certain excess generation facilities.

The company has begun the implementation of this strategic plan and the board of directors authorized management to explore additional opportunities for the company in the areas of off-system power sales, sale of generation facilities, and pursuit of targeted transmission projects.

PNM has been advised in connection with its strategic alternative review by Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc.

Discussions Terminated with Wheeler Peak Capital Group As previously announced PNM received a preliminary expression of interest concerning the possible acquisition of PNM from a group of investors headed by the Wheeler Peak Capital Corp. After certain changes in its initial membership, the group was represented to include Donaldson, Lufkin, Jenrette; Southwestern Public Service Co.; Western Utilities (affiliated with Southern Union Company); and Al Robison, President of Wheeler Peak and former Chief Financial Officer at PNM.

As part of its review of strategic alternatives, PNM pursued this expression of interest and sought during the past seven weeks to negotiate a confidentiality agreement. The intent of the agreement was to allow the Wheeler Peak group access to PNM's confidential and competitive information necessary to pursue their interest. However, the Group was unwilling to adequately shield the information from inappropriate use by its members who might be seeking to compete with PNM for the Albuquerque franchise.

"The city of Albuquerque charter mandates that we bid for the city franchise. In this arena the board feels it would be imprudent to allow inappropriate use of PNM's information by a potential bidder. The Wheeler Peak group was unwilling to provide us this assurance and therefore discussions have been terminated", the board stated.

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FORT WASHINGTON, PA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Regal Communications Corp. (NASDAQ: RCOM) announced today that it has entered into an agreement in principle which is scheduled to close on Oct. 3, 1990, to sell the assets of Lottery Player's Magazine to Samuel W. Valenza Jr., president of Regal, in exchange for the transfer to Regal of 165,000 shares of Regal common stock owned by Valenza.

Regal has also entered into an agreement in principle to purchase from Valenza 1.2 million shares of Regal common stock for $100,000. These shares were issued to Valenza pursuant to a Management Incentive Escrow Agreement and were held in escrow to be released to Valenza based upon the achievement by Regal of certain pre-tax profit objectives. This transaction is scheduled to be closed on Oct. 2, 1990.

Upon consummation of the foregoing transactions, the number of Regal shares outstanding will be reduced from 11,198,243 shares to 9,833,243 shares. Valenza has advised Regal that although the earnings of Regal will be sufficient to result in the release to him of all of the shares, he expressed

his extreme disappointment that the Lottery Player's Magazine, the operation for which he is responsible, has failed to contribute to the earnings of Regal in the current fiscal year. Under the circumstances, Valenza said he believes that it would be unfair to the Regal stockholders if the shares were released to him.

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#90267p7339 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Lord Hanson, chairman of Hanson PLC (NYSE: HAN), announced today the appointment of two executive directors, a new senior associate director and six associate directors.

The two new executive directors of Hanson PLC are Anthony R. Cotton and Peter J. Harper.

Ronald S. Fulford was appointed to the newly created post of senior associate director.

Karen B. Levy, Robert C. Stift, Craig C. Sergeant, Peter J. Turner, Alexander C. Notter and Robert W. Hanson were made associate directors.

In addition, Karen B. Levy was promoted to the position of vice-president of Hanson Industries.

Hanson PLC is a British-American industrial management corporation. In the U.S., Hanson Industries' operations include SCM Chemicals, Peabody Coal, Jacuzzi Whirlpool Bath and Spa Products, Grove Crane, Ames Tools, Universal Gym, Endicott Johnson and Frye Footwear, Hanson Lighting Group, Kaiser Cement, Weber Aircraft, Farberware Cookware, and Gold Fields Mining, among others.

In the United Kingdom, Hanson's holdings include Imperial Tobacco, Every Ready Batteries, ARC Aggregates, London Brick, Butterley Brick, and Smith Meters.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Syncor International Corp. (NASDAQ: SCOR) today announced record sales and earnings from operations for the first quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990. This is the fifth consecutive quarter of record operating performance.

Sales for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 rose 18 percent to $36 million up from $30.5 million for the first quarter of fiscal year 1990. The

company's operating income for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 climbed 77 percent to $1.8 million compared with $1 million for the first quarter of fiscal year 1990. Despite an increase in interest expense associated with the company's new ESOP program, income from operations before extraordinary item for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 showed a gain of 30 percent or 11 cents per share versus 8 cents per share in fiscal year 1990. In fiscal year 1990, the company achieved earnings that fully utilized the net operating loss carryforward. As a result of the extraordinary item being eliminated for the current fiscal year, the company's net after tax income remained relatively constant at approximately $1.1 million or 11 cents per share for both years.

Gene McGrevin, Syncor's President and Chief Executive Officer, said, "Syncor's sales gains were the result of both greater market penetration and price increases in several of our major markets. In addition, we continued to see improvements in our profitability due to ongoing cost control measures and the company's focus on profitable, strategic growth."

Outlook McGrevin said,"Syncor has achieved impressive growth in earnings over the last five quarters. Looking at the remainder of the year, we believe our growth rate will continue to be strong. However, there will be variations due to the traditional decline in hospitalization and related diagnostic testing during the holidays.

"Syncor also expects to continue to increase its operating expenses during the coming year," McGrevin said. "Recruiting of personnel will continue for additional pharmacists plus the expansion of sales and marketing staffs. We believe this is an important investment in Syncor's future. Our professional staff is the key to the continued success of Syncor. I cannot over-emphasize the critical role that these professionals play, nor our commitment to ensuring that adequate staffing levels will be achieved to meet the company's growth plans.

"In addition, we are continuing to invest in computer systems to better serve our customers and increase operating efficiencies. All these investments will provide support for the future expansion of both the radiopharmacy and home care businesses."

Syncor operates a nationwide network of 84 high tech pharmacy service centers. They prepare and deliver patient specific advanced pharmaceutical products for diagnostic imaging and home infusion therapy to over 5,000 hospitals, clinics, physicians' offices and home-based patients daily. Syncor is the only national pharmacy company that provides this combination of diagnostic and therapy services to the hospital and alternate site markets.

CONTACT: Michael E. Mikity of Syncor, 818-886-7400; or Lise Needham, 415-986-1591; or Nick Farina, 312-266-7800; both of the Financial Relations Board for Syncor

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#90267p7350 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - GA/Partners, the consulting unit of the Arthur Andersen Real Estate Services Group (RESG), announced today that it is expanding its national practice. Currently operating in Washington, D.C., Dallas and Houston, GA/Partners will now include two new offices in Atlanta and Los Angeles, with plans for three additional offices within the next six months. As part of this expansion, Gordon Kennedy, Jr., the GA/Partners managing principal, was named national practice director overseeing operations of one of the nation's largest real estate consulting practices.

"Since its acquisition by the Arthur Andersen Real Estate Services Group, GA/Partners has expanded its practice dramatically. The increased complexity of the real estate industry, requiring advisory services to anticipate and adapt to these changes, has helped to fuel our growth. It also signals our commitment to the burgeoning opportunities in providing economic consulting, real estate counseling and appraisal services," said Kennedy.

William Whitney has been named director of the GA/Partners-Los Angeles practice. Whitney is a former principal and co-founder of Natelson, Levander and Whitney Inc., a real estate, economic and financial consulting firm also of Los Angeles.

Kenneth Bleakly has been named director of the GA/Partners-Atlanta practice. Bleakly is former president of Bleakly Economics Group, a full-service real estate and economic consulting firm based in Vail, Colo. Both office directors bring a combined total of more than four decades in real estate consulting to their new positions.

Acquired by Arthur Andersen & Co. in 1988, GA/Partners has since grown from 80 to 110 employees, and gross fees have increased by more than one-third. During the past year, GA/Partners opened offices in Houston, and named Jim Gaines director of the practice; and in Dallas, and named Deborah Kops director of that practice. Founded in 1962, GA/Partners is an international adviser to major corporations, developers, investors, financial institutions, and government agencies.

Ivan Faggen, RESG worldwide director, said, "Today's constantly evolving real estate industry, with an increasingly international scope, demands full-service advisory capabilities. Our expansion of the GA/Partners practice signals Arthur Andersen's commitment to these growing needs and our ability to provide economic research and feasibility analysis, appraisal and portfolio evaluation, and corporate real estate services."

The Arthur Andersen Real Estate Services Group consists of more than 1,200 professional personnel throughout 243 offices in 54 countries worldwide. The

RESG provides accounting and audit, tax, information systems, appraisal, economic and advisory services to more than 6,000 real estate, hospitality, and corporate real estate clients. In addition to its GA/Partners consulting unit, Arthur Andersen also acquired Berins & Co. in 1989, a national hospitality consulting practice.

CONTACT: Gregg Nicholson, 415-546-8474; or Loren McDonald, 415-546-8384; both of Arthur Andersen & Co.

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WAUKEGAN, IL. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Outboard Marine Corp. (NYSE: OM) (OMC) today announced that it has acquired certain assets of Topaz Marine Corp. that will allow OMC to build and market the Topaz brand of sport fishing boats. The Topaz boat line will become a division of OMC's Hydra-Sports, Inc., boat subsidiary, OMC said.

The Topaz line includes open sport fishing boats in 32, 37 and 39-foot lengths and convertible sport fishing models in 36 and 40-foot lengths. Hydra-Sports currently markets a line of fishing boats ranging from 16 to 33 feet in length. OMC said it would build Topaz models as well as Hydra-Sports(R) offshore fishing boats in OMC's Swansboro, N.C., boat plant.

"We intend to make Hydra-Sports the leading brand of offshore fishing boats," said OMC president and chief executive officer James C. Chapman. "The acquisition of these Topaz assets will help us achieve our goal by providing our Hydra-Sports subsidiary with the most complete line of offshore sport fishing models available, from small outboard-powered boats up to 40-foot diesel-powered rigs," Chapman said.

Outboard Marine Corp. is a leading international marketer of marine engines, boats, accessories and services.

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TAHLEQUAH, OK. (SEPT. 24) PRNEWSWIRE - American Nursery Products Inc. (NASDAQ:ANSY) announced today that the Washington State Supreme Court has issued its decision in American Nursery Products Inc. vs. Indian Wells Orchards, reversing the trial court's award of incidental and consequential damages against the company in the amount of $1,720,000 plus interest, and remanding the case to the trial court for a recalculation of attorney's fees and a determination of contract damages consistent with its opinion. The Supreme Court ruling is final, excepting a 20-day period in which Indian Wells may file a motion for reconsideration. The company has in reserve $900,000

for possible loss on this litigation. When damages and attorneys fees are finally determined on remand, this reserve will be adjusted appropriately.

American Nursery Products Inc. is principally engaged in the business of growing trees, ornamental plants and foliage plants for distribution on a wholesale basis. The company is headquartered in Tahlequah, Okla. and owns and leases nursery farm properties and warehouse facilities in the states of Alabama, Florida, Iowa, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon and the Republic of Guatemala.

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MONTGOMERY, AL (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Blount Inc. (AMEX: BLT) today reported a net loss of $1.2 million ($.10 per share) for the second quarter ended Aug. 31.

This compares to net income of $8.2 million ($.68 per share) during last year's second quarter, which included $6.4 million ($.53 per share) from the resolution of tax matters principally related to foreign tax credits and royalties. Second quarter sales and revenues were $172.9 million compared to $183.2 million last year.

For the six-month period ended Aug. 31, Blount's net income was break-even, compared to net income of $9.3 million ($.78 per share) in the prior fiscal year's six-month period, which again included the $6.4 million ($.53 per share) from the resolution of tax matters. Year-to-date sales and revenues were $343.7 million, compared to $363.0 million in the prior year.

Second quarter sales from Outdoor Products increased to $45.4 million from $40.5 million last year. Operating income was $2.9 million compared to $4.5 million last year. For the six-month period sales increased to $87.2 million compared to $78.0 million last year, and operating income was $6.3 million compared to $7.2 million a year earlier. Current year results include increased expenditures related to new product development and the implementation of new manufacturing systems at the Portland, Ore., operations.

Sales from Industrial and Power Equipment were $22.0 million compared to $22.3 million last year. Operating income was $.9 million compared to $.4 million a year earlier. For the six-month period sales were $46.0 million and operating income was $2.0 million compared to sales of $44.8 million and operating income of $1.6 million a year earlier.

Sales from Sporting Equipment and other operations were $19.5 million compared to $20.8 million for last year's second quarter. Operating income was $1.8 million, down from $2.8 million for last year's second quarter. Six-month

sales were $37.5 million compared to $38.5 million last year, and operating income was $4.0 million compared to $5.0 million in the year-earlier period. Current year results include increased expenditures related to the start-up of manufacturing operations at the company's new site in Lewiston, Idaho.

CONTACT: Dave Rickey of Blount Inc., 205-244-4369.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Ronald S. Murray has been appointed vice president and director of Professional Services for Right Associates' Philadelphia Region, headquartered at Two Penn Center Plaza, Suite 610.

He will be responsible for directing the Professional Services staff there as well as working as a consultant to senior level executives. In addition, he will play a key role in the marketing and delivery of the Key Executive Service.

Prior to joining Right Associates, Murray was executive vice president of Atlantic Financial. Before joining Atlantic in 1983, he was a principal in the Management Consulting Division of Arthur Young & Co. He began his career with Bank of Oklahoma in 1974 and also worked for Profit Technologies Corp., a financial services consulting firm. In addition to his broad consulting experience which includes executive and employee development, he brings to the firm his expertise in financial services, business administration and management information systems. While at Arthur Young, he also served on President Reagan's Private Sector Survey on Cost Control (Grace Commission). "His extensive business background and consulting experience will be most beneficial to our clients," said Joseph Smith, senior vice president and managing principal of the Philadelphia Region.

Murray completed the Advanced Management Program at Harvard Business School in 1988, and holds a master's degree from Oklahoma State University and a bachelor's degree from the University of Massachusetts.

Right Associates(R) is headquartered in Philadelphia and has more than 70 offices across the United States and around the world. It is one of the world's leading organizations specializing in outplacement counseling of executives and managers. Outplacement consulting services are designed to assist employers with termination issues and to help the separated employees develop skills and strategies to find new employment.

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PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Sixteen western Pennsylvania offices of Horizon Financial opened for business today as branches of Union National Bank it was announced.

The offices had been operated under the Horizon name as a division of Union National Bank since the bank acquired them from the Resolution Trust Corp. in May.

Union National sinage has been installed at all Horizon locations to be maintained by the bank. With the addition of the 16 new offices, Union National now operates 71 branches in the Greater Pittsburgh area.

The computer operating system of Horizon was recently upgraded, and all of its banking products were converted to their similar counterparts at Union National. The original Union National branches are scheduled to be linked to this new operating system on Nov. 9. For maximum customer service, former Horizon customers and original Union National customers are urged to continue doing business at their current branches until the operating systems conversion of Union National has been completed.

Union National Bank is one of seven banking subsidiaries of Integra Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: ITGR). The other Integra banks are: First Seneca, First National of Washington, Gallatin National, Keystone National, McDowell National and Pennbank. Integra banks operate 226 offices in 22 counties of western Pennsylvania with combined assets of more than $7 billion.

CONTACT: Kevin Hennessy of Union National, 412-644-6249, or home at 412-683-1959.

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#90267p7366 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - McDermott International, Inc. (NYSE: MDR), announced today that Amoco (U.K.) Exploration Company has awarded its McDermott-ETPM joint venture an important contract for the installation of a 410-kilometer gas pipeline in the British sector of the North Sea. The contract is estimated to have a total value of about 120 million pounds sterling (approximately $225 million).

Known as "CATS" (Central Area Transmission System), the 36-inch diameter pipeline will transport gas initially from the Amoco-operated Everest and Lomond Gas Fields in the Central Graben area, east of Aberdeen, to a terminal to be located on the English coast near Teesside.

Work will involve the coating of the pipe, the laying of the line in water depths up to 134 meters and the completion of the shore approach, including important dredging and civil works. The line will be laid by the semi-submersible lay barge LB 200 belonging to McDermott but at present part

of the McDermott-ETPM joint-venture fleet.

The main offshore work will be carried out between June 1991 and August 1992. This award confirms the position of the McDermott-ETPM joint venture as one of the leading pipeline contractors in the North Sea market for years to come.

McDermott International, Inc., is a leading worldwide energy services company. The company and its subsidiaries manufacture steam- generating equipment, defense products, and tubular products. They also provide engineering and construction services for industrial and utility facilities onshore, and to the oil and gas industry offshore.

CONTACT: Ken Salzer of McDermott, 504-587-4346

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ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The May Department Stores Company Foundation announced that it has contributed $200,000 to two national organizations which assist people with acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS).

The national community AIDS partnership and the Design Industries Foundation for AIDS (DIFFA) each received $100,000 to distribute this year to community-based groups which assist people with AIDS. The $100,000 grants represent the first such grants The May Department Stores Company Foundation intends to make annually.

David C. Farrell, chairman and chief executive officer of The May Department Stores Company, said, "With AIDS affecting increasing numbers of people, we want to offer direct support to help meet basic needs for food, shelter and other assistance. We are very pleased to work with the national community AIDS partnership and DIFFA, both highly respected for their ability to identify and fund projects that help people with AIDS. We are especially pleased to target communities in which May Company operates."

The national community AIDS partnership provides matching grants to support community-based AIDS programs in 19 metropolitan areas of the United States. Based in Washington, the partnership has distributed more than $8.5 million to 371 organizations since its founding in 1988.

DIFFA, whose membership represents all segments of the design industry, raises funds and makes grants to AIDS organizations and projects throughout the United States. Since its founding in 1984, DIFFA has distributed $5 million to more than 230 groups in 29 states.

Through The May Department Stores Company Foundation, May contributes nationwide more than $10 million annually for health, social welfare,

educational, cultural and civic causes.

The May Department Stores Company (NYSE: MA), one of the largest department store companies in the country, operates 300 department stores under such leading names as Lord & Taylor, New York, Foley's, Houston; May Company, California, Los Angeles; Hecht's, Washington, D.C.; Robinson's Los Angeles; Kaufmann's, Pittsburgh; Famous-Barr, St. Louis; Filene's, Boston; May Company, Ohio, Cleveland; G. Fox, Hartford; L.S. Ayres, Indianapolis; May D&F, Denver; and Meier & Frank, Portland, Ore. May Company also operates Volume Shoe Corporation, which has more than 2,800 self-service family shoe stores nationwide.

CONTACT: James Abrams of May Company, 314-342-6343; or Paula Van Ness of National Community AIDS Partnership, 202-429-2820; or John Hartman of DIFFA, 212-727-3100.

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PALATINE, IL (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Square D Company (NYSE: SQD) announced today that approximately 4,300 union employees at 17 of the company's plants in the United States are continuing to work under contract extensions after failing to ratify a new three-year national labor agreement in voting late yesterday. Square D's total U.S. workforce is almost 14,000.

The previous three-year contract, part of coordinated bargaining that involves five international unions, expired at midnight Sunday, Sept. 23, 1990, and is being extended on a day-to-day basis.

Square D said it is prepared to resume negotiations with the unions' bargaining group at any time. It is expected that the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service also may become involved in the resumption of negotiations.

Square D is a worldwide leader in industrial control and electrical distribution products, systems and services and had 1989 sales from continuing operations of $1.63 billion.

CONTACT: Bob Fiorani of Square D, 708-397-2600.

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#90267p7369 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DECATUR, GA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - DFSoutheastern Inc. (NASDAQ: DFSE), the Decatur, Ga.-based holding company for Decatur Federal Savings and Loan Association, today announced that it will purchase in the open market from time to time up to $2.5 million in market value of its outstanding common stock.

The stock will be purchased at such times and in such amounts as management determines, subject to applicable regulations. Appropriate regulatory approvals have been obtained to commence this repurchase program.

Robert C. McMahan, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated: "The current price of the company's common stock does not reflect the true value of the company in the opinion of the board of directors. Our company is strong, but presently trading well-below tangible book value. The board of directors believes that DFSE is a solid investment and that the repurchase of our own stock will enhance the value of the remaining outstanding shares."

At June 30, DFSoutheastern Inc. had consolidated assets of $2.4 billion and deposits of $1.7 billion. Decatur Federal Savings and Loan Association, the wholly owned subsidiary of DFSoutheastern Inc., has 28 branch offices and five Mortgage Loan Offices serving metropolitan Atlanta and north Georgia. Fairfield Financial Services Inc., a wholly owned mortgage subsidiary of Decatur Federal, operates 15 mortgage loan offices in Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama and north Florida.

DFSoutheastern's common stock is traded in the NASDAQ Over-the-Counter Securities Exchange under the symbol "DFSE."

CONTACT: Susan Paul Smith, 404-371-4411, or James R. Wallis, 404-371-4074, both of DFSoutheastern

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#90267p7372 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Gail Warden, president and chief executive officer of the Henry Ford Health System (HFHS), today announced a major reorganization of the management structure of HFHS designed to carry the system into the future.

The new management structure, approved last week by the HFHS Board of Trustees was created in part to improve efficiency and coordination, focus on quality and address HFHS's dual mission of managed care and academic medicine.

Changes include expanding the Office of President to include four senior vice presidents who will manage major operating groups. Those senior vice presidents are:

-- James Walworth, senior vice president, managed care. The new position for Walworth reflects HFHS's commitment to the health care financing arena and to managed care. Walworth is the president of Health Alliance Plan, the nation's sixth-largest health maintenance organization (HMO). He also was recently elected chairman of the Group Health Association of America.

Among the areas reporting to Walworth is Affiliated Health Services, which includes Wyandotte Hospital and Medical Center, Cottage Hospital, HFHS's Rehabilitation Services and Senior Services.

-- Thomas F. McNulty, senior vice president, treasurer. McNulty will continue his role as chief financial officer for HFHS.

A new position, reporting to McNulty, is the Office of Corporate Support Services, led by John "Jack" Fitch, with responsibility for analyzing opportunities for consolidation. Fitch currently is president and chief executive officer of Wyandotte Hospital and Medical Center. A search for his successor will be initiated.

-- Bruce W. Steinhauer, M.D., senior vice president, medical affairs. Dr. Steinhauer formerly held the position of group vice president and chairman of the Henry Ford Medical Group Board of Governors and Medical Affairs. Because of the additional responsibilities created by the growth of the hospital network and the Henry Ford/Mercy Health Network, that position will be split into two. Dr. Steinhauer will assume the role of senior vice president, medical affairs.

Roger Smith, M.D., will take over as group vice president and chairman, Henry Ford Medical Group Board of Directors. Dr. Smith is currently chairman of the Department of Surgery for Henry Ford Hospital and Medical Centers.

-- David W. Benfer, senior vice president, hospital affairs. Benfer, in addition to his current role as Henry Ford Hospital executive vice president, will assume additional responsibility for Urban Health Services and Samaritan Health Center, which HFHS will manage as part of the Henry Ford/Mercy Health Network. A search is underway for a chief executive officer for Samaritan.

"This reorganization will give us an opportunity to combine our activities in urban health care," said Benfer. "It makes a strong statement about our commitment to the community and the people of Detroit."

In addition, Benfer will be focusing attention on the HFHS commitment to an academic medicine strategy.

"I believe our academic medicine strategy will serve as a catalyst for the rebirth of Henry Ford Hospital as the major tertiary care and high-tech medical facility in the Midwest," said Benfer.

Steve Velick, formerly a vice president for the 700-member Henry Ford Medical Group, will assume the role of group vice president of Henry Ford Hospital. Velick will report to Benfer and be in charge of day-to-day activity at Henry Ford Hospital. A search is underway for a successor for Velick.

"The new structure recognizes the growing complexity of the health care

environment," Warden said. "The health care marketplace is changing rapidly. How employers would like to contract with physicians for services is changing. The regulatory situation is changing. We're going to continue to make changes as we respond to this environment."

All appointments will be implemented in October, according to Warden.

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#90267p7376 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Capital Equities Corporation has certified that ConCap Equities, Inc. has been elected successor managing general partner of seven public real estate limited partnerships, in place of Consolidated Capital Equities Corporation.

Terry L. Proveaux, vice president of investor relations stated, "We are pleased that the majority of investors in the partnerships have endorsed ConCap as their new general partner. ConCap will focus its attention over the next few months on improving operations at the individual properties which comprise the partnerships."

ConCap Equities, Inc. is affiliated with four regional property management companies: R & B Enterprises, The Hayman Company, Metroplex, Inc. and Horn-Barlow Companies. The four companies will collectively manage over 150 residential and commercial properties for ConCap's partnerships.

The seven limited partnerships electing ConCap are: Consolidated Capital Properties, Consolidated Capital Properties II, Consolidated Capital Properties III, Consolidated Capital Properties IV, Consolidated Capital Properties V, Consolidated Capital Properties VI and Consolidated Capital Properties VII.

CONTACT: Terry L. Proveaux of ConCap Equities, 214-702-3262.

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#90267p7380 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Congressional Voice Mail Service, a privately owned company located in Denver, announced a new nationwide 900 service today that allows Americans to quickly and easily voice their opinions to the President and Congress.

"Congressional Voice Mail Service is a 24-hour a day service that supplements the traditional letter to your Senator or Representative in Congress," said Theodore Larson, spokesman for Congressional Voice Mail Service. "People's time is at a premium today and change occurs at a dizzying pace. We see

Congressional Voice Mail Service as a way to help the average American become a part of the Democratic Process," he said.

A caller simply dials 900-740-3030. The cost is $2 per minute and is billed on the caller's telephone bill. Using a touchtone phone, the caller can leave messages for any Senator or Representative, the President or Vice-President, and without a touchtone phone the caller can automatically leave a message for the President. Senate and Congressional leadership can be reached directly and all others are accessed using a two letter state abbreviation.

"We recommend that callers prepare their messages ahead of time in order to save money and get their point across," Larson said. "Callers can also get information on the Senate and House agenda for each day so that they can comment on current legislation, and they can leave a name and address to be sent the instructions, further cutting the cost of contacting their representatives."

All messages are delivered by overnight mail on audio cassette so that they can be reviewed multiple times. In the case of the President a communications staff receives all phone and delivered messages. They then tabulate the messages by subject and position just as they do letters received by the President. The President receives a daily summary of incoming communications including mail, phone calls and messages. If he wishes, he may request selected messages to review in person. Callers may also specify that their messages should be private or public and they may choose to listen to what others are saying to the President by calling Tele Inc. headquarters.

CONTACT: Ted Larson of Tela Inc., 303-893-5150

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#90267p7384 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) will usher in the official introduction date of its 1991 cars and trucks on Sept. 27 with a comprehensive buyer-incentive program that will extend through Dec. 11.

Ford's present program -- which offers cash rebates or annual percentage rate (APR) financing through Sept. 26 -- will be modified to include cash allowances of $500 on most of its new 1991 Ford and Mercury models, with the exception of the Ford Bronco ($1,000) and the Ford Explorer, which will not carry an incentive. Customers also will be offered an APR program of 7.9 percent for contracts up to 48 months. Further, the company is offering incentives to dealers on carryover 1990 Ford and Mercury models.

"Reducing the overall complexity of our program and extending its duration will simplify the buying process for our customers," said Robert L. Rewey, vice president -- Ford North American Sales Operations. "Additionally, it will

keep both Ford and its dealers competitive in a difficult and challenging market."

CONTACT: David Krupp of Ford, 313-337-3864

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#90267p7387 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Helene Curtis Industries Inc. (NYSE: HC) today announced second quarter net sales from continuing operations of $228.8 million for the quarter ended August 31, a 22 percent increase over the $187.5 million reported the prior year and a record for any quarter in the company's history. The company reported net earnings from continuing operations of $3.5 million, or 38 cents per share, compared with net earnings of $6.6 million, or 71 cents per share, for the prior year's second quarter.

Commenting on the results, Ronald J. Gidwitz, president and chief executive officer, said, "This quarter's record sales keep us ahead of our stated goal of 15-20 percent sales growth for the year. Our consumer business remains strong, led by product introductions in the United States and international markets.

"Gains by our hair care brands and the first-quarter introduction of Degree Antiperspirant/Deodorant continued to drive consumer sales in the United States. The introduction of Salon Selectives brand in Japan remains ahead of budget," Gidwitz continued. "Earnings are down from the prior-year period, as expected, primarily because of costs associated with these product introductions that have contributed to our excellent sales growth. Earnings were also impacted by costs incurred in connection with the launch of Finesse in Germany, which is proceeding at a slower rate than we originally anticipated. The continued growth of our three market-leading hair care brands and the overall promising results from our recent product introductions reinforces our confidence that we will achieve our sales and operating goals for the fiscal year."

Sales and earnings figures for the quarter, year-to-date and prior year have been restated to reflect the disposition of the company's beauty supply distribution business during the second quarter of the current fiscal year. Sales and earnings for this business are being reported as discontinued operations. An after-tax charge to earnings of 15 cents per share was incurred in the second quarter for losses arising from the sale of this business. Net earnings for the second quarter, including discontinued operations, were $2.1 million, or 23 cents per share, compared with $6.6 million, or 71 cents per share, for the prior-year period.

"Helene Curtis' action to sell its beauty supply distribution business reflects a commitment to focusing on our core business -- the marketing of brand name products internationally," said Gidwitz. "In fiscal 1990, this

business accounted for $45 million in sales and an after-tax loss of $600,000, or seven cents per share. Our sales goals for this year took into consideration the possible sale of this operation."

Helene Curtis Industries Inc. is one of the nation's major producers of brand-name personal care products. The company markets its products to consumers through supermarkets, mass merchandisers and drug stores and to beauty salons through distributors across the United States. Helene Curtis products are sold in more than 100 countries across the United States.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Health Images Inc. (NASDAQ: HIMG) today announced August 1990 consolidated net revenues of $4,146,100, an increase of $1,194,300 or 40.5 percent over August 1989 consolidated net revenues of $2,951,800.

Gross same center revenues (before deduction for contractual adjustments and uncollectible accounts) increased $475,800 or 16.1 percent as compared to the preceding year. Net same center revenues increased by $294,400 or 12.0 percent in August 1990 as compared to the 1989 period. Revenues of the Engineering Services Division were $458,600, a decrease of $16,900 or 3.5 percent as compared to August 1989. Miscellaneous revenues were $80,600, an increase of $51,700 or 178.9 percent as compared to the preceding year. Revenue data are summarized in the following table.

Health Images Inc. operates magnetic resonance imaging centers, manufactures magnetic resonance imaging scanners, and provides equipment maintenance services for major medical diagnostic imaging equipment.

CONTACT: Robert D. Carl III, president and chairman, or Laura J. Werner, 404-587-5084, both of Health Images

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BENTON, KY. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The president and chairman of Sun Up Foods, Inc., (Sun Up), a company publicly traded in the over the counter market, announced today that as a result of its inability to obtain a significant infusion of cash, it was forced to seek protection pursuant to chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. Sun Up's case was filed in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the western district of Kentucky. Management has spent the last two months diligently working on various proposals to avoid bankruptcy or in the alternative to go into the bankruptcy proceedings with a

"Work Out" plan pre-approved by its principal creditors. To date, neither alternative has been completed; however, management is optimistic that with the help of either some of its principal creditors or an outside source whom the company is currently negotiating with, it will be able to emerge from Chapter 11 in due course as a viable competitor in the orange juice industry.

The company plans to hold meetings within the next 30 to 60 days to discuss with its creditors the events which led to the bankruptcy filing and the various alternatives available which would permit it to emerge from the bankruptcy and continue doing business.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Bank of California said today it established a new service in which its bankers and carefully selected teams of investment consultants, brokers, and other experts coordinate and direct the portfolios of high-net-worth individuals.

Pam Barker, the bank vice president who heads the new service, said Personal Asset Management is designed for persons wanting highly sophisticated management of their portfolios through the expertise of a broad range of professionals from all investment quarters, including trust and investment management, tax and estate planning, venture capital and property management.

"We track down the sharpest minds in diverse niche markets and assist in setting them up in partnerships. The individual managers are given free rein to apply their expertise but must achieve the specific objectives set forth by our clients," Barker said. Built-in tracking mechanisms follow investment activities and measure results.

This unique approach to investment management has long been the exclusive turf of pension-fund managers because of the size of the portfolios they control. Diversifying portfolios and placing monies under the direct charge of managers who specialize in sophisticated market niches increases the likelihood of investment success.

Personal Asset Management clients typically are entertainers, entrepreneurs who have sold their businesses and inheritors of large estates.

The Bank of California, the first incorporated banking institution in the West also offers clients more traditional investment opportunities through its Trust and Investment Management Group. The sixth-largest bank in the state, the 126-year-old organization has $8.4 billion in assets and operates 50 banking offices in California, Oregon and Washington, and 14 international offices.

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ASH TOWNSHIP, MICH. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Bosch Corporation today unveiled its $1.5 million automotive proving ground at a 235-acre site in Monroe County.

Designed for testing Bosch developments in automotive anti-lock braking systems (ABS) and traction control systems (which Bosch calls automatic stability regulation -- ASR), the new proving ground is within a 60-minute drive of each of the Big 3 auto manufacturers' research and development facilities. It is only 40 minutes from Bosch's Automotive Headquarters and Technical Center in Farmington Hills, Mich.

"This facility will help us better serve our customers -- the automakers -- as well as their customers, car buyers, in several ways," according to Leo L. Weber, president of the Bosch Automotive Group. "It will enable us to reduce the development time and enhance the quality and performance of important safety advances such as anti-lock braking systems, traction control and future vehicle stability control systems."

Currently, the test facility features nearly one mile of paved roadway in the shape of a narrow loop, including four sections of test surface, each 300 feet long and 18 feet wide, which can simulate winter road conditions for year-round testing.

Three of these surfaces -- ceramic tile, basalt tile and Jennite- dressed asphalt -- feature built-in sprinklers to simulate the low-coefficient-of-friction conditions that exist on wet, snow-covered or icy roads.

A fourth surface, brushed concrete, has been laid parallel to other surfaces for testing system performance under split conditions -- when a vehicle may have two wheels on dry pavement and two wheels on a slippery patch, for example.

The facility also includes a 20-foot high traction control hill with a 5-10 percent grade on one side and a 15-percent grade on the other. The ASR test hill features 600 feet of road -- some of which is Jennite- treated -- outfitted with a sprinkling system.

According to Dieter Guenther, Bosch vice president of engineering, the facility will be expanded in two phases. Plans call for a service building -- featuring office space, a workshop/lab and a service garage -- and a paved, 4- to 6-inch deep water trough (for testing systems in submerged conditions) to

be added in 1991.

Also, in 1991, a rough road course -- including chatterbumps, potholes, irregular road bumps and Belgian blocks -- and a gravel road will be added.

A vehicle dynamics area, consisting of a large circular road 1,000 feet in diameter used for braking, traction and stability testing during severe cornering on dry pavement, is slated for addition in 1992.

Robert Bosch Corporation, an American company based in Broadview, Ill., is 100-percent owned by Robert Bosch GmbH, headquartered in Stuttgart, West Germany.

CONTACT: Margret E. Nordquist of The Bosch Group, 708-865-5367, or Jim Bianchi or Tim Keenan of Eisbrenner & Co., 313-641-1446, for Robert Bosch Corporation

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DALTON, GA. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - CrownAmerica, Inc. (NASDAQ: CRNA), a major processor of filament yarn for domestic and international carpet manufacturers, said today it will double the size and capacity of its Dalton, Ga., plant by early 1991. At the same time, company officials announced an agreement with Queen Carpet to sell CrownAmerica's Valdosta, Ga., plant, less certain equipment.

Lane Hamilton, president of the 106-year-old textile concern, said the two announcements "reflect the company's commitment to retain existing market share and build toward the long-term growth of its business."

Hamilton said the company will realize improved operating efficiencies at the single expanded plant in Dalton. "This goes hand-in-hand with our ongoing goal to focus on maintaining the highest quality standards that have become a trademark of Texture-Tex products," he said.

Construction is underway on the addition to the Dalton Texture-Tex plant. When completed, the facility will include 110,000 square feet and will house additional processing equipment. Company officials said they will add 35 new employees to the plant, bringing the total to 135.

"Our processing capacity also will be expanded," Hamilton continued, "enabling us to meet the growing demand for polypropylene products." He said completion of construction and equipment installation is expected by next February.

Dean Smith, Jr., a former plant manager of the Dalton operation, has been named general manager of domestic manufacturing of the Texture-Tex division.

Smith has served Texture-Tex in several supervisory and management posts since 1978.

Hamilton said the target closing date for the sale of the Valdosta plant is November 30, 1990.

CrownAmerica, Inc. is engaged chiefly in the processing of filament yarn for the carpet industry through its Texture-Tex subsidiaries. The company presently operates plants in Dalton and Valdosta, Ga., and near Heerlen in The Netherlands. CrownAmerica also operates a warehousing and leasing subsidiary for light manufacturing and storage in Dalton.

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BEAVERTON, OR (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - PGI (Professional Geophysics Inc.), an international geophysical service company, is using FPS Computing's (NYSE, PSE: FLP) Model 500EA UNIX Supercomputer to aid Soviet oil exploration, FPS announced today. PGI has established a Soviet joint venture company, MDSeis, with the USSR Ministry of Oil and Gas Industry. MDSeis is offering more than 70,000 kilometers of regional seismic data which are being reprocessed at PGI's Houston center. The power of the FPS Model 500EA is well suited to advanced seismic processing techniques that are being applied to the Soviet data.

"We are proud to be a part of the first American oil industry support of the Soviet Union, as mandated by President Bush following the recent Helsinki summit," commented Brad Woods, FPS Computing vice president. "Fifteen years ago, FPS Computing revolutionized the worldwide seismic industry with array processors which gave rise to distributed seismic processing. We are pleased to be expanding our support of the seismic industry with installations of the Model 500EA Supercomputer in the domestic and international markets."

PGI now operates multiple FPS Computing Model 500EA supercomputers as well as FPS attached array processors. "In addition to providing high volume, online advanced seismic processing, the Model 500EA has proven to be an excellent development system," said Bill Rice, vice president of PGI. "PGI and MDSeis are jointly implementing new geophysical techniques, including Migration-Before-Stack, requiring a UNIX supercomputer platform. The compilers, libraries, and software development tools offered on the Model 500EA have appreciably shortened the time to bring these new applications on-line."

FPS Computing has one of the largest installed bases of high-performance computing equipment in the industry. The firm designs, manufactures and markets high-performance computing solutions for scientific, engineering and

technical applications. The FPS Computing product line includes SPARC and proprietary RISC UNIX supercomputers, matrix coprocessors, and vector coprocessors. Founded in 1970 as Floating Point Systems Inc., FPS Computing is headquartered in Beaverton.

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LOWELL, MASS. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Courier Corporation (NASDAQ: CRRC) is pleased to announce that the company has been presented with the prestigious "Ship to Stock" award by Lotus Development Corporation (NASDAQ: LOTS) for consistently achieving the highest standards for quality and delivery in the production of software manuals for Lotus. Courier is the only major printer to have received such an award from Lotus for outstanding service.

James F. Conway III, president of Courier, stated, "We are honored to have received this award from Lotus. It is a testimony to our commitment to offer the highest standards of quality and service in meeting the needs of Lotus and all of our customers."

Rose Moreau, purchasing manager for Lotus' Cambridge, Mass., facility stated, "The Ship-to-Stock certification means we are so confident in Courier's work that materials coming from Courier do not need to be inspected by our quality control people. The work is good enough to go right to the line."

Courier Corporation, headquartered in Lowell, Mass., is an international producer of books, Bibles, reference texts, directories, technical manuals and software documentation. The company operates subsidiaries in Westford and Stoughton, Mass.; Philadelphia, Pa.; and Kendallville, Ind. Its international operations are based outside of London in the United Kingdom.

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MELBOURNE, FL (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Opto Mechanik, Inc. (NASDAQ: OPTO), the Melbourne, Fla. based designer and manufacturer of optical and electro-optical fire control systems utilized in aircraft, tanks and other weapon systems, announced today their results of operations for the year ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the year ended June 30, 1990 reached a record level $39,173,528, generating net income of $986,033 or $.45 per common share on a weighted

average of 2,186,662 shares outstanding. This is an increase in revenues of 29.5 percent over the year ended June 30, 1989. Revenues reported at June 30, 1989 were $30,255,863, which generated net income of $925,154 or $.43 per common share on a weighted average of 2,159,139 shares outstanding. The net income at June 30, 1990 is inclusive of $330,000, which resulted from adopting accounting standard No. 96, which changed the method of accounting for income taxes.

Revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 increased 41.4 percent to $10,544,987, generating net income of $180,522 or $.08 per common share on a weighted average of 2,189,102 shares outstanding. This compares to the quarter ended June 30, 1989 in which revenues were reported at $7,456,283, which generated net income of $263,992 representing earnings of $.12 per common share on a weighted average of 2,159,139 shares outstanding.

The company also announced that due to unexpected delays on a number of contract awards, the company expects reduced sales and earnings leading to losses for the first six months of fiscal year 1991. If contracts materialize as expected, the company will return to a profitable mode during the third and fourth quarters of fiscal year 1991.

CONTACT: Ottmar Dippold, president and chairman of the board of Opto Mechanik Inc., 407-254-1212.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert J. Trunek has been appointed senior vice president for Manufacturing, Engineering and Technology of ARCO Products Co., it was announced today by APC President George H. Babikian.

APC is the refining and marketing division of Los Angeles-based ARCO (NYSE: ARC).

Trunek, 45, had been serving as senior vice president of the Alaskan Division of ARCO Pipeline Co. He succeeds the late Dwaine H. Smith, who died of cancer last month.

A native of Bryn Mawr, Penn., Trunek joined ARCO in 1970 as an assistant engineer at the company's Houston Refinery. He has held positions of increasing responsibility, including vice president of Planning and Control for ARCO Transportation Company and ARCO Products Co. From 1986 to 1990, he was president of Four Corners Pipeline Co., a Long Beach-based subsidiary of ARCO.

Trunek received a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from MIT and a master of business administration from the University of Houston. He and his wife Diane have one daughter.

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#90267p7432 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST POINT, GA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - James Holt, a veteran food retailer with more than 24 years of experience, has been named a corporate vice president and officer of the Grand Union Company and placed in charge of its Southern region which operates 55 Big Star Food Stores throughout Georgia. Holt succeeds Craig C. Sturken who has resigned from the company to pursue other interests.

Holt joined Big Star Food Stores more than 24 years ago. During the last two decades, he has served in a wide variety of field and supervisory positions, including store positions as well as regional staff management positions. His experience includes service as a district sales manager, produce sales manager meat merchandising manager and, most recently, as administrative vice president for the region which includes stores throughout northern and central Georgia.

In announcing his appointment, Joseph J. McCaig, president and chief executive officer of Grand Union, said "James Holt brings an impressive food retailing background to his new position as regional vice president in charge of our Big Star Food Stores. Together with an excellent management team, he will bring a high degree of leadership and retailing depth to his new duties."

CONTACT: Donald C. Vaillancourt, corporate vice president of Grand Union, 201-890-6100.

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#90267p7436 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitchell Kozikowski, president and CEO of the Rowland Company's U.S. operations, has resigned from the firm. Herbert L. Rowland, CEO of Rowland Worldwide Inc. and chairman of the U.S. company, will form an Office of the President to manage the New York operations. He said that he would chair the management group, which will be comprised of the company's four executive vice presidents.

Rowland and Kozikowski said that the parting is amicable and is the result of philosophical business differences relating to future growth of the company in the United States. Kozikowski joined Rowland in June 1988 as president of the New York office, and was named to his current post later that year.

Rowland Worldwide, headquartered in New York, is the world's fifth largest PR company, with 34 offices on five continents. The firm employs more than 750 people and has annualized fee billings in excess of $50 million.

Rowland stated that "Mitch Kozikowski has contributed significantly to the growth and development of the Rowland Company in the U.S. during the past two years. Under his leadership, the New York office has added new clients and instituted a number of new systems in management and staff development. He has also been a valued colleague and member of the Rowland Worldwide executive committee."

Kozikowski added, "I have the highest regard for the staff and clients of Rowland. It has been a rewarding experience to help lead the development of the firm in the U.S. I leave with the knowledge that Rowland is one of the highest quality public relations agencies in the industry, with great prospects for the future."

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#90267p7449 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - ITEL Corp. (NYSE: ITL) named Jack P. Edwards, president, ITEL Transportation Group, to the additional post of acting president and chief executive officer of ITEL Rail Corp. He succeeds Desmond P. Hayes, who resigned.

ITEL Rail, a San Francisco-based subsidiary of ITEL Corp., is the nation's largest independent lessor of rail cars with over 70,000 cars. The company also owns six railroads and 11 major rail car maintenance facilities.

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#90267p7452 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGTON HILLS, MI. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Votrax, Inc.'s board of directors announced the resignation of Larry W. Jernigan, 46, as chief executive officer and president effective Oct. 12, 1990.

"Votrax is sorry to lose Mr. Jernigan," said Jack Gill, chairman of the board of directors and senior partner of Vanguard & Associates, "as he has been the key manager in the turnaround of Votrax. With Mr. Jernigan's leadership, this formidable task is substantially complete."

The board will be actively searching for a replacement to Jernigan. Jernigan added, "It was a remarkable challenge for any CEO/president to undertake. It was an advantage for me that the board and Votrax employees committed themselves to what needed to get done to turn Votrax around. I am grateful for their support."

Headquartered in Farmington Hills, Votrax (NASDAQ: VOTX) is a leader in the industry with more than 1,500 business communication systems installed worldwide. The company specializes in the development, manufacturing, marketing and distribution of interactive voice response systems.

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TROY, MI (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart stores across the country via satellite network will provide a special INVENT AMERICA! workshop called The Great INVENT AMERICA! Think Link to public and private teachers of grades kindergarten through eighth grade.

This workshop will be broadcast to Kmart stores Wednesday, Sept. 26, from 8-10 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. It is free of charge to attending teachers who have reserved their space with their local Kmart store manager.

INVENT AMERICA! is a national education program and student invention competition that is helping millions of children develop the problem-solving skills needed to meet the 20th-century work force. It will host The Great INVENT AMERICA! Think Link which will feature hands- on workshops presented by award-winning educators, INVENT AMERICA! materials and other teaching products and curriculum guides.

The broadcast content will include a panel discussion moderated by Roger Kennedy, director, National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution. The panel includes Joe Antonini, Kmart chairman and chief executive officer; I. MacAllister Booth, Polaroid president and chief executive officer; Peter Eio, Lego president; Craig Weatherup, Pepsi-Cola president and chief executive officer, and Ruth Otte, Discovery Channel president.

In addition, The Great Think Link will feature an INVENT AMERICA! workshop, a Polaroid workshop and a Lego workshop. Participating teachers will receive curriculum, cameras, film and Lego starter kits -- all the materials necessary to make the Great INVENT AMERICA! Think Link a hands-on experience for teachers.

"I am pleased that Kmart is able to make this important contribution through our satellite network to our nation's educators," said Joseph E. Antonini, Kmart chairman and chief executive officer. "We salute America's teachers and are committed to helping them prepare our children for the globally competitive work force of the future."

It is anticipated that upward of 50,000 teachers will take advantage of this workshop dedicated to fostering creative and analytical skills in

schoolchildren.

"This one single event will place in the hands of educators the training and materials they need to make an immediate and positive impact on millions of American students," stated J. Morgan Greene, INVENT AMERICA! chairman.

The Great INVENT AMERICA! Think Link is sponsored by Kmart, Polaroid, Lego, Dow Chemical and Pepsi.

Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,330 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse, Inc. and The Sports Authority.

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ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) said today that it would be exporting 4,000 Aerostars, built at the St. Louis Assembly Plant, during the 1991 model year to Mexico under the terms of that country's recently announced Automotive Decree.

The announcement was made by Henry A. Nickol, general manager, Vehicle Operations, Ford North American Operations, during a ceremony celebrating the production of the 1 millionth Aerostar at the plant. "The Mexican Automotive Decree constitutes a step forward in the internationalization of the Mexican economy and affords the Mexican consumer enhanced product choice," he said.

Ford also plans, in the coming year, to export Lincoln Town Cars from its Wixom Assembly Plant (Wixom, Mich.) and Explorer trucks from its Louisville Assembly Plant (Louisville, Ky.) to Mexico.

Ford Mexico was established in 1925 in Mexico City, and has been a cornerstone in the overall industrialization of the Mexican economy. Ford currently maintains car and truck assembly plants near Mexico City, along with both casting and engine plants, dedicated to production of vehicles for sale within the domestic Mexican market.

Ford additionally has stamping, vehicle assembly, engine and component plants in Mexico, which produces products for both the export and Mexican domestic markets. Ford Mexico has more than 20,000 employees working throughout Mexico.

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VANCOUVER, B.C. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Eric V. Friedland, chairman of Fairbanks Gold Ltd., announced today that two additional diamond core drill rigs have been mobilized to the property bringing the total number of rigs to 6 diamond core and one reverse circulation.

Four of the diamond core rigs are being utilized for in-fill reserve drilling on a 100 foot grid to a depth of 500 feet while the reverse circulation rig is being used for further resource expansion along the open-ended sides of the deposit.

The two new core rigs will be used for deep drill testing of potential high grade feeder zones and bonanza structures, as well as for increasing the drill indicated resource below 700 feet.

Drilling over the last six weeks has significantly increased the size of the deposit. A new mineralized zone, located on the south-western extension of the deposit along Monte-Cristo Creek has been discovered. This open-ended zone is rapidly adding tons to the resource base and drilling in this new area will continue on an accelerated basis.

The company will announce an updated resource number once drilling in this new area is complete and anticipates establishing a mineable reserve by the end of the year. Currently, the deposit is approximately 5,000 feet long and averages 2,000 feet wide and remains open at depth and laterally in three directions.

Mining of the 170,000 ton bulk sample has been completed and a representative portion of the excavated material, approximately 42,000 tons, has been crushed and is currently being split and sampled. Completion of the sampling is forecast for the end of the week. Seven tons of sampled material will be sent to Lakefield Metallurgical Laboratories in Ontario for final processing. Strathcona Mineral Services Ltd. of Ontario is overseeing the complete bulk sample process.

General observations of the walls of the bulk sample trench show fracturing and weathering with extensive quartz veining. The ground is rippable and friable even to the bottom of the trench indicating that low cost bulk mining is applicable.

Fairbanks Gold is continuing its discussins with several major mining companies concerning possible participation in the company and its properties.

CONTACT: Eric V. Friedland, chairman of Fairbanks Gold Ltd., 604-640-6714.

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#90267p7484 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
DEARBORN, MI (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statement may be attributed to John P. King, Parts and Service Engineering Office manager, Ford Parts and Service Division:

Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) is voluntarily recalling 102,800 1988 and 1989 F-series trucks with 7.5-liter engines to inspect a fuel vapor hose that could be kinked, resulting in the release of unacceptable hydrocarbon evaporative emissions levels.

The vapor line is designed to allow fuel vapors to flow from the fuel tank to a carbon canister to help control vehicle evaporative emissions. The problem occurs because some of the trucks were built with a vapor hose that is too long. If the hose is kinked, it can stop the flow of fuel vapors to the carbon canister. Ford's investigation of this concern indicates that 15 percent of these trucks may have kinked vapor hoses.

Dealers will be asked to inspect the hoses and, if necessary, remove a section to prevent the kinking from occurring.

CONTACT: Jim Trainor of Ford, 313-594-2880.

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#90267p7485 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
DETROIT (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statement may be attributed to John P. King, Parts and Service Engineering Office manager, Ford Parts and Service Division:

Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) is voluntarily recalling about 12,000 1987-89 F-150/250 light trucks and Broncos with 4.9-liter engines to assure acceptable emissions levels.

In-use vehicle emissions testing conducted by the California Air Resources Board indicates that hydrocarbon exhaust emissions levels may be too high.

Vehicles involved have a specific engine calibration that was only used on trucks built for sale in California.

Dealers will be asked to install a new electronic engine control processor and reset the ignition timing at no cost to the owner.

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#90267p7489 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, NC (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Carolina Power & Light Co. (NYSE: CPL) has won a national award for residential marketing.

The first place award winner was chosen from among 381 entries nationwide in the Edison Electric Institute's (EEI) 1990 marketing achievement awards.

Entitled "How to Win Allies and Influence Customers," the CP&L marketing program around the Asheville area promoted energy-efficient manufactured housing and sought to increase public awareness of improved technology in the manufactured housing industry.

EEI is the national industry organization of investor-owned utilities.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Sept. 21, 1990.

All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields
(30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago Conventional
15-Year FRM	9.76	9.69	9.77
30-Year FRM	10.11	10.03	9.99
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	10.36	10.28	10.24
10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.			
Second Mortgages	9.900	9.860	9.860

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term) Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	9.05	8.95	9.42	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	9.30	9.20	9.67	2.000 pct.
1(A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	8.00	7.90	8.47	2.250 pct. 6 mos(A)
(COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	8.10	8.00	8.62	2.125 pct.

(A)Rate reduction (B)New 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM.
Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs. LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
August 30, 1990	8.125	8.188	8.188	8.313

July 30, 1990 8.063 8.047 8.047 8.109

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 9/21/90	Year to Date	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(A)	435.9	16,520.5	15,456.7
Purchases	511.6	16,656.0	14,130.1
MBS Issued	1,792.2	69,585.3	41,566.1

(A)Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

CONTACT: Lisa Haas of Fannie Mae, 202-752-7124

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#90267p7492 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was released today by Boeing Aerospace & Electronics:

Imagine a new spacecraft that could ferry astronauts and equipment to space and back without all the costly and cumbersome launch towers, booster stages, external fuel tanks and other requirements of present-day launch technology. What would such a spacecraft look like? How would it operate?

The Boeing Defense & Space Group plans to answer those questions as part of a $2.4 million, 10-month technology demonstration contract awarded to the group's Aerospace & Electronics division by the Strategic Defense Initiative Organization (SDIO).

Boeing scientists and engineers will evaluate alternative concepts for a Single-Stage-To-Orbit (SSTO) vehicle. The work could lead to the flight of an experimental prototype as early as 1994, with an operational vehicle ready to fly by 1996.

"Our challenge is to apply the latest technologies in materials and rocket engines and recommend a preferred concept for a vehicle capable of launching itself into space, performing its mission, and returning all in one piece," said Vincent A. Caluori, Space Transportation Systems manager for Boeing. "Nearly 20 years of Boeing SSTO investigations have shown us that the concept has great mission potential and utility," Caluori said.

Three approaches to the SSTO challenge will be in competition during the company's initial investigation: Vertical Take-Off and Landing (VTOL), Horizontal Take-Off and Landing (HTOL) and Vertical Take-Off, Horizontal Landing (VTHL). The competition will result in Boeing's selection of a preferred concept for the SSTO vehicle.

The company then will fabricate and test some of the proposed SSTO hardware. At the end of the 10-month contract, Boeing will propose development of a

sub-orbital or orbital test vehicle. Before contracting for a test vehicle, the SDIO will choose from among concepts presented by Boeing, Rockwell, McDonnell Douglas and General Dynamics. All have been awarded similar SSTO contracts.

The SDIO is funding the contracts as part of a government initiative to develop highly operable launch systems which would be less costly and more reliable than current systems. Minimally, the new spacecraft would be able to carry two-to-four astronauts and payload into orbit for several days. The company will carry out its SSTO work at the Boeing Space Center in Kent, Wash. south of Seattle. It will be assisted in the project by three leading propulsion companies: Aerojet, Pratt & Whitney and Rocketdyne.

The SDIO Program Director is U.S. Air Force Col. Pat Ladner. Dr. Dana G. Andrews has been named program manager for Boeing.

CONTACT: Elliott Pulham of Boeing Aerospace & Electronics, 206-773-2816

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#90267p7501 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, ORE. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Tektronix Inc. (NYSE: TEK) board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on Sept. 22. This dividend will be paid to shareowners of record Oct. 5 and is payable on Oct. 29.

CONTACT: Fletcher C. Chamberlin of Tektronix Inc., 503-627-7147

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#90267p7502 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT, (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Great Lakes Gas Transmission Company today announced it will become an open-access transporter effective Nov. 1, 1990.

In accordance with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission regulations authorizing open-access transportation, Great Lakes will hold an open season for customers seeking interruptible transportation service. The open season will begin at 8 a.m. (EDT) on Oct. 8, 1990 and end at 5 p.m. (EDT) Oct. 19, 1990.

John K. Archambault, president and chief executive officer of Great Lakes, said, "Once our planned pipeline expansions are completed, operating as an open-access transporter will enhance our ability to provide timely interruptible service."

To obtain a transportation service package, contact the Great Lakes Market Development Department by telecopy at 313-596-4571 or 313-596-4572. Completed request forms may be telecopied during the open season using the same numbers.

Questions regarding the open season and transportation request process can be directed to 313-596-4556.

Great Lakes Gas Transmission Company is a Detroit-based natural gas pipeline company that transports Canadian natural gas through a 1,300- mile pipeline for delivery to customers in the United States and eastern Canada. It is co-owned by The Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP), a Houston-based energy holding company, and TransCanada PipeLines Limited of Calgary, Canada.

CONTACT: Marian C. Droll of ANR Pipeline, 313-496-3756

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#90267p7505 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Harsco Corp. (NYSE: HSC) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.30 per share, payable Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 15.

Harsco has paid dividends without interruption or reduction since 1939. November's payment will be the 162nd dividend Harsco has paid to its shareholders.

Harsco Corp. is a diversified, international, industrial company headquartered in Camp Hill, Pa. The company's 12 divisions provide products and services for defense, industrial, commercial and construction applications from more than 270 facilities in 32 states and 15 countries.

CONTACT: Herbert R. McIlvaine Jr. of Harsco, 717-763-7064

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#90267p7507 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) and the Fater group of companies today announced an agreement to merge their paper products businesses in Italy, Spain, Portugal and the United Kingdom. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Under the agreement, a new company will be formed in Italy under joint control. This company will include the present Fater businesses making and selling sanitary napkins, baby diapers and adult incontinence products; the Fameccanica machinery company; the Faricerca, Faidata and Fatecnica research companies; and P&G's Pampers baby diaper business. In Spain and Portugal, Ausonia and Lepori businesses will be combined with the Arbora company, which Procter & Gamble jointly controls with the Agrolimen group. In the United Kingdom, the Swaddlers company will be integrated within P&G.

The merger of these businesses assures their future within the increasingly

competitive conditions of the emerging European single market. This agreement means that the companies in the Fater group have the benefit of P&G's worldwide resources, and that these companies' innovative history of delivering products with ever better performance and value will continue.

It also accelerates P&G's entry into the European feminine sanitary napkin and adult incontinence product categories because of Fater's experience and success in these categories. This will benefit consumers in these categories by leading to better products and stronger competition. In Europe, P&G has a relatively small presence in the adult incontinence market, and the company's participation in the sanitary napkin category was previously limited to Greece the Iberian peninsula, and Belgium.

CONTACT: T.S. Stewart, 513-983-8058; or S.L. McHugh, 513-983-4185; both of The Procter & Gamble Company

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#90267p7508 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunex Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNX) today announced that under the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) treatment investigational new drug (IND) program the company is making available its granulocyte macrophage-colony stimulating factor (GM-CSF) in bone marrow transplant patients suffering graft failure and delay of engraftment to assess safety and efficacy.

A genetically engineered growth factor, GM-CSF represents a new class of drugs being investigated for use in reversing neutropenia, a deficiency of mature white blood cells that destroy viruses and bacteria.

GM-CSF is a cytokine, or immune-system hormone that promotes the growth and differentiation of the white blood cells called granulocytes and macrophages.

The FDA's treatment IND program is designed to make available promising new drugs as early in the development process as possible, to patients suffering life-threatening diseases, for which no comparable or satisfactory alternative drug or other therapies exist.

Immunex is a leading biotechnology firm focused on the research, development, marketing and manufacture of immunological therapeutic products.

CONTACT: Jason S. Rubin or John A. Lipani, 206-587-0430, both of Immunex Corp.

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#90267p7513 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) today approved a cleanup plan for the Coalinga Asbestos Mine

Superfund site, Fresno County, Calif. This plan addresses the asbestos contamination in the Johns-Manville mill area, one of three geographically distinct areas that are a part of the Superfund site.

"EPA's preferred cleanup remedy was chosen after a careful study of all the alternatives," said Daniel W. McGovern, regional administrator for U.S. EPA, Region 9. "This decision reflects EPA's continuing commitment to protect public health and environment in the vicinity of this federal Superfund site."

The cleanup decision, embodied in a document called the record of decision, includes plans for controlling the release of asbestos from the mill and restricting access to the area. Measures to control the asbestos consist of: dismantling the mill building and disposing of the debris, constructing a stream diversion to divert water flows away from the asbestos mine tailings pile, grading the mine tailings to reduce the slope of the pile and improve its stability, constructing a concrete spillway at the existing sediment-trapping dam and conducting a pilot study to determine if native vegetation can be grown on the disturbed areas to help minimize erosion. Barriers will be erected around the disturbed areas to discourage access by vehicles and additional asbestos warning signs will be posted throughout the mill area.

The work is estimated to cost $1.9 million and require two years to implement.

The other areas of contamination associated with the Coalinga Mine Superfund site include the ponding basin of the California Aqueduct and an area within the city of Coalinga, Calif.

EPA is proposing no action for the ponding basin because the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) and the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) are considering actions to minimize the generation of airborne asbestos-laden dust in that area. EPA will re-evaluate the site in 1992 to determine whether the BOR and DWR decision is protective of human health and the environment. EPA will decide at that time whether further action under the Superfund program is necessary.

In July 1989, EPA approved a cleanup plan for the asbestos contamination within the city of Coalinga. The plan included excavating and consolidating the asbestos-contaminated soil and burying it in an on-site landfill with a impermeable covering. That cleanup is currently underway.

The Coalinga Asbestos Mine was proposed in 1983 and placed in a final status on the National Priorities List (NPL) in 1984. The NPL is EPA's list of the hazardous waste sites potentially posing the greatest long-term threat to health and the environment. EPA identifies and ranks NPL sites according to threats to humans through actual or potential contamination of groundwater, surface water or air.

CONTACT: Terry Wilson of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 415-556-5137

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#90267p7516 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - USLICO Corporation (NYSE: USC) announced the addition of The Trust Company of the Marshall Islands, Inc. and Marshall Islands Maritime & Corporate Administrators, Inc. to its corporate group.

Pursuant to a recent agreement with the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Trust Company and Marshall Islands Maritime & Corporate Administrators, Inc. will administer the Marshall Islands' ship registry and non-resident corporate programs.

The Marshall Islands has had a well-run and respected ship registry since the inception of its maritime program in 1988. USLICO is honored to be associated with this prominent Pacific Basin registry and new corporate domicile, the company said. On Sept. 12, 1990, the Marshall Islands' legislature, the Nitijela, upon recommendation of President Amata Kabua, approved the Maritime Act 1990 and the Associations Law 1990 in support of these programs. These new statutes will make the Marshall Islands ship and corporate registries an even more attractive choice to the international shipowners and operators, to the ship finance institutions and to their attorneys.

The Trust Company of the Marshall Islands, Inc. and Marshall Islands Maritime & Corporate Administrators, Inc. are wholly-owned subsidiaries of USLICO Corporation.

Primarily an insurance holding company with $2.6 billion in assets, USLICO Corporation is headquartered in Arlington.

CONTACT: Guy E. C. (Clay) Maitland, Esq., Marshall Islands Maritime & Corporate Administrators, Inc., 212-661-1826 or fax, 212-661-2425.

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#90267p7517 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA, (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) reported today that 1,909 of its workforce of 11,273 employees have elected to retire under the company's Early Retirement Plan.

Those selecting retirement represent 73 percent of the 2,608 employees who were eligible for enhanced retirement benefits.

PE said that to ensure an orderly restructuring of the workforce and to provide time for training of replacements, where necessary, the retirements will take place in stages between Nov. 1, 1990, and Dec. 31, 1992.

The retirement plan was announced in May as part of PE's across-the- board cost reduction program designed to trim $100 million annually in operating expenses.

PE said it expects to record a one-time charge against earnings of approximately $249 million, or 70 cents a share of common stock, in the third quarter of 1990, to reflect costs attributable to the early retirement plan.

PE said it estimated that the salaries and benefits saved by the early retirements will amount to approximately $75 million per year by 1993.

CONTACT: Neil McDermott of Philadelphia Electric, 215-841-4122

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#90267p7521 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - R.A. Noble, president and CEO of Synergistics Industries Limited, announced today that Synergistics has reorganized its North American operations into two operating companies in order to achieve more efficient utilization of assets and improved ability to respond to North American marketing opportunities.

In Canada, the operations of Rochevert Inc. have been merged with those of Carlew Inc., under the direction of Rehault A. Duteau, president. The five Canadian plants are located in Lindsay and Orangeville, Ontario; St. Remi and Valleyfield, P.Q.; and Calgary, Alberta.

In the United States, the operations of Intamix Corporation of Willis, Texas have been combined with those of Cary Chemicals, Inc. of Farmingdale, N.J. under its president, K.B. Cary. J.J. Hyland has been made Operations Manager of the Willis, Texas plant.

Noble commented that the consolidation of these organizations will facilitate improving the utilization of manufacturing capacity throughout the organization to service customer requirements anywhere in North America. In particular, the company's efforts will be focussed on selling proven product lines throughout North America based on the opportunities presented by the Free Trade Agreement.

Noble further stated that following the completion of its major expansion program, Synergistics now has sufficient manufacturing capacity to double its revenues, while operating from a more responsive and effective organizational base.

Synergistics manufactures a full range of flexible and rigid PVC compounds, thermoplastic elastomers, cross-linkable polyethylenes, and vinyl plasticizers for North American wire & cable, construction, and industrial uses.

CONTACT: R.A. Noble, president and CEO of Synergistics Industries Limited, 416-673-1213

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#90267p7522 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, B.C. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Shephard Insurance Group, Inc. released the text of the statement issued today by its chairman, Graham Ferguson Lacey:

I am pleased to review with you the results of your company for the period of 14 months ended May 31, 1990.

Your company had profits before other items of $179,350 on revenue of $3,442,526, compared with profits of $25,963 for the 12-month period ending March 31, 1989 on revenue of $1,267,038 for the same period. This satisfactory performance was affected adversely by a combination of the write-off of mineral property expenditures, the costs of aborted acquisition possibilities and a write-down to market of quoted securities, resulting in a loss for the period of $178,876.

It is important to note the improvement in the company's balance sheet with shareholders' equity increasing from $2,737,607 at the 31st of March, 1989 to $3,588,985 at the 31st of May, 1990, and group assets growing from $6,165,376 to $10,430,351 during the period under review.

In January we acquired the general insurance brokering book of business of Saunderson Insurance Brokers, Ltd., based in London, England. This book of business represents approximately $200,000 of gross commission. In addition we acquired in April the Herriot Group of companies, also based in England, with gross commission of approximately $1,200,000. This well-managed profitable company will, with Saunderson, contribute significantly to the group's earnings in the current financial year.

It is our target to achieve annualized gross commission income from the United Kingdom of $5,000,000 from our existing operations and pending acquisitions by the 30th of June, 1991.

Shephard Holdings, Ltd., your company's fully owned United Kingdom holding company, and Nycal Corporation, your parent company, have acquired approximately 18.5 percent of IFICO PLC, an insurance brokering company listed on the London International Stock Exchange and whose business is entirely complementary to that of Shephard. Their insurance brokering business has gross commission of approximately $5,500,000 and enjoys good pre-tax profit margins. At the end of May, when our holding was approximately 11 percent, we accepted an unsolicited offer to purchase our holding for a consideration that would have generated a pre-tax profit in excess of $500,000. The

purchaser, however, reneged on the transaction. We have reserved our legal position and increased our holding as the opportunity occurred.

On July 31, 1990, it was announced that Nycal Corporation, a U.S. company based in Washington, D.C., and listed on the national NASDAQ market (SYM: NYCL), had acquired 51 percent of Shephard Insurance Group by an exchange of stock. It was further stated at that time that, subject to obtaining all requisite regulatory approvals both in the U.S. and Canada, it was Nycal's intention to make at least the same offer to all Shephard shareholders. It is anticipated that this offer will be forwarded to shareholders later this fall. I believe that this development will accelerate the continued growth of Shephard.

CONTACT: Milgrim Thomajan & Lee, 212-858-5300, for Shephard Insurance Group

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#90267p7525 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, CALIF. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Warner Bros. and Jerry Weintraub have concluded a major long-term agreement for Weintraub to produce movies for the studio, it was announced today by Robert A. Daly, Warner chairman of the board and chief executive officer, and by Terry Semel, the company's president and chief operating officer.

Stated Daly and Semel: "Jerry Weintraub is a vital and energetic force in our industry. His creativity as a producer, along with his broad-ranging relationships with key members of our creative community, make us happy to welcome him into the Warner family."

Stated Weintraub: "I am both pleased and proud to have this opportunity to work with Bob and Terry and their fine production team, headed by Mark Canton. I'm also thrilled to be involved with their expert marketing and distribution arms. They are all truly the best at what they do, and I look forward to a long and very successful relationship."

Weintraub -- who produced such movie hits as "Nashville," "Oh, God!," and "Diner," as well as "The Karate Kid" and its two sequels -- will be based at the Warner Bros. Studios, along with a full production staff.

Weintraub also announced that, effective immediately, he is resigning his post as chairman and chief executive officer of Weintraub Entertainment Group.

CONTACT: Stacy Ivers of Warner Bros., 818-954-6290

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#90267p7535 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Unocal Corp. (NYSE: UCL) board of

directors today declared a regular dividend of 17-1/2 cents per share on the common stock of the company. The dividend is payable Nov. 9, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: Barry Lane of Unocal, 213-977-7601; or Bill Kelly of SCAQMD, 818-572-6239

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#90267p7538 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DUNDEE, MI (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Holnam Inc. (NYSE: HLN) today announced a selling program for stockholders who own fewer than 100 shares of its common stock. The selling program allows eligible Holnam stockholders the opportunity to sell all, but not less than all, of their eligible shares without being charged any brokerage commission. The company estimates that between 25,000 to 50,000 shares of its common stock may be tendered by oddlot shareholders who choose to participate in the program.

Many Holnam, Inc. oddlot holders were originally stockholders of Ideal Basic Industries, Inc. and received their shares as a result of Ideal's merger with Holnam Inc. in March of this year.

The record date for ownership has been set at Aug. 27, 1990. Partial tenders will not be accepted.

The selling program will expire Oct. 22, 1990, unless extended. The manager of the program, Shareholder Communications Corporation, and Holnam Inc. make no recommendation as to whether or not stockholders should participate in the selling program.

Any eligible Holnam stockholders wanting information on the selling program should contact Shareholder Communications Corporation at 1-800- 678-9606.

Holnam is the largest cement producer in North America and a subsidiary of Holderbank Financiere Glaris Ltd., of Switzerland, one of the world's largest cement manufacturers.

CONTACT: Richard L. Smith of Holnam, 313-529-2411, or Timothy Cobb of Gavin Anderson Doremus, 212-921-1060, for Holnam

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#90267p7540 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ERIE, Pa. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Autoclave Engineers, Inc. (NASDAQ: ACLV) today reported results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, which ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Net sales for the first quarter were $16,076,000, as compared with $18,414,000

in the prior year. The net loss for the fiscal 1991 first quarter was $650,000 or $0.15 per share, as compared with net income of $1,002,000 or $0.23 per share in the same period a year ago.

James C. Levinson, president and chief executive officer of Autoclave Engineers, commented, "Softness in our first quarter was expected as a result of planned increases in operating expenses, in line with our strategic growth objectives. Our results were further impacted by lower volume and a shift in our mix of business compared to last year's first quarter. Last year's first quarter sales were weighted toward our higher margin product lines."

Levinson continued, "We are confident that all of our companies will record stronger sales and operate profitably in the second quarter. Burton Corblin, our French subsidiary, had very strong order levels in the first quarter, and now has a record backlog in excess of $15,200,000. Unit Instruments operated profitably despite a downturn in the semiconductor industry by implementing cost-cutting measures to offset the softer sales. Incoming orders now are much stronger than earlier in the year."

Autoclave's balance sheet at the end of the quarter remained strong, with working capital of $27,220,000 and term debt of only $4,990,000. Shareholders' equity was $38,138,000 at Aug. 31, 1990, or $9.13 per share, resulting in a debt-to-equity ratio of 13 percent.

Levinson added, "Our solid balance sheet will allow the company to continue to make the capital and operating investments that we need to make to remain competitive, while retaining the flexibility to accelerate our growth objectives through acquisitions."

Levinson concluded, "With general economic conditions uncertain, we are moving aggressively to reduce costs throughout the company. The fundamental strengths of the company and the improvement we expect in all our subsidiaries should produce a fifth consecutive year of profitable results."

Autoclave Engineers, Inc., headquartered in Erie, Pa., with subsidiaries in Erie; Orange, Calif.; and Nogent, France, is a recognized leader in providing high quality engineered products for chemical research and related industrial process markets worldwide.

AUTOCLAVE ENGINEERS, INC.
Consolidated Statement of Earnings

First quarter ended Aug. 31;	1990	1989 (A)
Net sales	$16,076,000	$18,414,000
Net income (loss) from continuing operations	$ (650,000)	$ 1,002,000
Discontinued operations	--	--
Net income (loss)	$ (650,000)	$ 1,002,000
Earnings (loss) per share:		

from continuing operations	$(0.15)	$0.23
Net income (loss)	$(0.15)	$0.23
Average weighted number of common shares outstanding	4,311,657	4,300,460

(A) Earnings per share and the average shares used to compute earnings per share have been adjusted to give effect to the 10 percent stock dividend issued on Sept. 15, 1989.

CONTACT: June Filingeri or Bernard Kilkelly of Morgen-Walke Associates, 212-986-5900, for Autoclave Engineers

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#90267p7541 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Essex Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ESEX) announced today the completion of an agreement under which the Bureau of Business Practice (BBP) will market Essex's Passing Gear line of training materials for commercial drivers.

BBP is a division of Simon & Shuster, a Paramount Communications company. The Passing Gear line of products, which includes print, audio and video materials, assists commercial drivers to study for and pass the new federally mandated Commercial Driver's License tests.

BBP specializes in publishing training materials for business, industry and government, and maintains a large national direct sales force, a telemarketing organization, as well as direct mail capability. In announcing the agreement, Dr. Harry Letaw, chairman and CEO of Essex Corporation, noted that the agreement will enable Essex to significantly broaden the distribution of its Passing Gear line and other future products.

Simon & Shuster is engaged in educational, consumer and professional information publishing worldwide.

Essex Corporation provides training, support services and information systems to government and industry and designs and manufacturers digital-optical systems and processors.

CONTACT: Harry Letaw, Jr., chairman and CEO, Essex Corporation, 301-730-1097

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#90267p7546 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Kentucky West Virginia Gas Co., a pipeline subsidiary of Equitable Resources (NYSE: EQT), has filed a settlement that, if approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), will

result in $6.6 million of additional revenue for Kentucky West, it was announced today.

The settlement, which is supported by the Kentucky Public Service Commission, acting on behalf of several Kentucky utilities, settles a claim by the Equitable pipeline that it had undercollected for gas it produced and sold to the utilities between 1979 and 1983. The undercollections stemmed from the FERC's denial of the pipeline's right to charge market prices for its production during the four-year period. Following several court decisions in Kentucky West's favor, the FERC acknowledged this right and in 1989 granted the pipeline permission to bill customers for the lost revenues plus accumulated interest.

The monies agreed to in the settlement would be recovered by Kentucky West over a period of 10 years.

In all, Kentucky West has filed five customer settlements to date totalling $36.2 million, two of which have been approved by the FERC.

CONTACT: Brian Plante of Equitable Resources, 412-553-5911

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#90267p7548 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - General Instrument Corporation announced today it is planning to sell its transportation electronics division. The proposed sale is part of General Instrument's restructuring and debt reduction program subsequent to its acquisition by an investor group led by Forstmann Little & Co. The investment banking firm of Bowles Hollowell Conner & Co. will represent General Instrument Corporation in the sale.

The transportation electronics division is the largest noncaptive manufacturer of automotive electronic displays sold to transportation original equipment manufacturers in North America. Other product lines include comfort, safety and convenience electronics for transportation applications, computer network products, and switch products for military and aerospace applications. Annual sales of the division were approximately $40 million in fiscal year 1990 ending Feb. 28, 1990.

The transportation electronics division currently employs 799 people at facilities in El Paso, Texas and Juarez, Mexico.

General Instrument Corporation is the leading manufacturer of cable television electronics, coaxial cable, and satellite encryption systems.

CONTACT: John P. Scanlon, 212-704-8126, or Edward R. Kearney, 212-207-6333, both of General Instrument

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#90267p7552 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Biogen, Inc. (NASDAQ: BGEN) announced today that the company has been awarded European patent No. 41313 for the production of beta inferferon through recombinant DNA technology. The patent covers recombinant DNA molecules, transformed hosts and methods for producing recombinant beta interferon proteins.

Beta interferon is a naturally occurring biologically active protein produced by human fibroblast cells. Natural beta interferon is being sold in several European countries for various cancer and viral indications. Current clinical data indicate that other potential applications of beta interferon for human health care include hepatitis C, melanoma, brain tumors, lymphoma and multiple sclerosis.

In June 1989, Biogen signed agreements with Asta Pharma AG of West Germany for the clinical development and commercialization of recombinant beta interferon in certain western European countries. Biogen supplies Asta with clinical and commercial material through its West German affiliate, Bioferon. Biogen retains co-marketing rights for the recombinant product and will receive royalties on Asta's sales. In addition, Biogen plans to commercially develop beta interferon for markets in the United States.

Biogen is a leading biotechnology company principally engaged in developing genetically engineered human pharmaceuticals. As a result of its early research, Biogen now derives revenues from five products being sold by its licensees in various countries. Biogen currently directs its research into areas where the company has particular strength -- AIDS, cardiovascular, inflammation and selected cancers.

CONTACT: John W. Catterall, vice president and treasurer of Biogen Inc., 617-864-8900

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#90267p7553 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Biogen, Inc. (NASDAQ: BGEN) announced today that the company has been awarded European patent No. 41313 for the production of beta inferferon through recombinant DNA technology. The patent covers recombinant DNA molecules, transformed hosts and methods for producing recombinant beta interferon proteins.

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sclerosis.

In June 1989, Biogen signed agreements with Asta Pharma AG of West Germany for the clinical development and commercialization of recombinant beta interferon in certain western European countries. Biogen supplies Asta with clinical and commercial material through its West German affiliate, Bioferon. Biogen retains co-marketing rights for the recombinant product and will receive royalties on Asta's sales. In addition, Biogen plans to commercially develop beta interferon for markets in the United States.

Biogen is a leading biotechnology company principally engaged in developing genetically engineered human pharmaceuticals. As a result of its early research, Biogen now derives revenues from five products being sold by its licensees in various countries. Biogen currently directs its research into areas where the company has particular strength -- AIDS, cardiovascular, inflammation and selected cancers.

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WILKESBORO, N.C. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Golden Needles Knitting & Glove Co. a glove manufacturing firm headquartered in Wilkesboro, North Carolina, has purchased Monte Glove Co., a Mississippi-based manufacturer of top-quality leather, hot-mill, brown jersey, and a complete range of cotton industrial gloves. Already the world's largest manufacturer of knitted industrial gloves, Golden Needles entered the cut-and-sewn glove market with the recent purchase of Tom Thumb, a glove manufacturing company with a knitting operation in Wilkesboro and a cut-and-sewn manufacturing plant in Roberta, Georgia. The Monte acquisition will add three manufacturing plants to the company's cut-and-sewn manufacturing operation.

Harold Plemmons, President of Golden Needles, explained that the purchase would allow Golden Needles to offer, through its world-wide network of distributors, a more comprehensive line of hand protection products. Plemmons also announced that the new sales policy at Monte Glove will be to market its products exclusively through industrial glove distributors. "While Golden Needles' line of knitted industrial gloves is extensive," said Plemmons, "a cut-and-sewn leather or fabric glove is a more appropriate choice for some hand protection applications, and Monte will allow us to enter that market with top-of-the-line products."

While Monte products will be sold through Golden Needle's network of distributors, Monte Glove Co. will be operated as an independent manufacturing company. Bob Musser, President, and Jim Tollison, Vice President, will continue to direct the company's product development and manufacturing

activities. Tollison explained that, with Golden Needles handling sales, Monte's staff will be able to focus on expansion, modernization, and the development of new products for the industrial glove market. "Development efforts already are in progress on some exciting new products including a new cut-and-sewn glove made of DuPont's Kevlar aramid," said Tollison. "The glove is earmarked for use around flame and high heat exposure."

Monte Glove Co. was founded in 1909. At that time, the company was based in Indiana. The main manufacturing plant in Maben, Mississippi, was built in 1956, and, in 1973, Monte purchased a leather glove manufacturing facility in Maben and added a third facility in Pheba, Mississippi.

With the acquisition of Monte, Golden Needles has manufacturing plants in Wilkesboro, North Carolina; Roberta, Georgia; Nottinghamshire, England; and Monte's three plants in Maben and Pheba, Mississippi.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Network Peripherals Inc. is one of five companies which today announced formation of an FDDI/STP Core Group to encourage development of Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI) technology over shielded twisted-pair wire.

Network Peripherals Inc. (NPI) is a one-year-old company whose mission is to develop, market and support high-performance connectivity products that enhance the productivity of personal workstation users. The company's immediate focus is on bringing FDDI technology to the workgroup and workstation levels.

The FDDI/STP Core Group, organized by SynOptics Communications Inc., (NASDAQ: SNPX) was formed to accelerate adoption of FDDI technology by making it available on shielded twisted-pair wire, which is lower cost and more widely installed than fiber-optic cable. The Core Group's goal complements NPI's emphasis on making FDDI connectivity available at the level of a personal workstation user.

"FDDI is not just a medium for backbone networks. It is an emerging requirement among users whose data-intensive applications demand high-performance connections between workstations and a host," said Gordon L. Stitt, vice president and co-founder of NPI.

"Making FDDI available on shielded twisted-pair will increase the availability and lower the cost of DDI connections at the desktop level," Stitt added.

NPI's near-term roll in accelerating the adoption of FDDI is to provide a series of single-board network adapter cards for various industry-standard bus architectures. The company's product strategy is to supply a complete range of products that will allow OEMs, system integrators and large end-users to integrate personal worksations into an environment that uses FDDI as an enabling technology for high-performance, multi-vendor networking.

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CLAREMONT, N.C. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - WSMP, Inc. (NASDAQ: WSMP) reported revenues of $14,376,000 for the second quarter ended August 10, 1990, a decrease from $14,454,000 reported for the second quarter of last year. WSMP has included in the second quarter of the current year a $400,000 pretax charge ($256,000 net of tax benefits) for the estimated costs associated with the closing of eleven unprofitable restaurant units. The net loss for the current year second quarter was $600,000 (including the effect for the restructuring charge) a decline from the net earnings of $129,000 reported for the second quarter of the prior year. Based on 2,086,934 and 2,156,169 weighted average shares in each period respectively, the loss per share was $.29 for the second quarter of this year compared to net earnings per share of $.06 in the same period of last year.

For the six months ended August 10, 1990, the Company reported revenues of $29,244,000 a decrease from $29,469,000 for the same period of the prior year. A net loss of $634,000 was reported for the first six months of the current fiscal year compared to net earnings of $290,000 for the same period of the prior year. Based on 2,077,827 and 2,182,604 weighted average shares in each period respectively, the loss per share was $.31 for the first six months of fiscal 1991 compared to net earnings per share of $.13 in the same period of last year.

The Company recorded the $400,000 reserve for discontinuing businesses to recognize the estimated effects of closing certain restaurant units that have proven to be unresponsive to efforts to reverse their negative financial impact. These units were never more than marginally profitable and current market conditions did not justify their continued operation. The closing and ultimate disposition of these restaurant units is expected to have a long term positive impact by allowing the Company's operational staff to focus on enhancing the profitability of the remaining units.

After the restructuring is completed WSMP will operate 39 restaurants in seven southeastern states, 37 of which are Western Steer Family Steakhouse units. The Company also franchises 119 Western Steer Family Steakhouses in eleven states and 10 Prime Sirloin Steak and Seafood Restaurants in three states. In

addition, WSMP operates ham curing and bakery manufacturing divisions at its corporate location in Claremont, N.C.

CONTACT: Richard G. Craft, Group Vice President, Accounting & Reporting, WSMP Inc., 704-459-7626

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INDIANAPOLIS, (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Philip E. Beekman, chairman and chief executive officer of Hook-SupeRx, Inc. (HSI) announced today that Chris Beseler has been promoted to the position of vice president of advertising and sales promotion for both the Hook and SupeRx Divisions of HSI.

Beseler will supervise both divisions' advertising departments and provide the day-to-day, as well as the strategic direction for the departments. "The move will allow us to bring together the traditional advertising strengths of both divisions," Beekman said.

Beseler is a native of Huntington, W. Va. and received his B.S. in advertising from Marshall University. He joined The Kroger Co. in 1969 as a layout artist in their advertising department, and held progressively more responsibile positions with Kroger before joining SupeRx as vice president of advertising in 1986.

Hook-SupeRx, Inc., with headquarters in Cincinnati, operates 1,113 drug stores in 22 states through three operating divisions: Hook in Indianapolis, SupeRx in Cincinnati, and Brooks Drugs, Inc. in Pawtucket, R.I.

CONTACT: Thomas G. Dingledy of Hook-SupeRx, Inc., 800-962-4665

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LANDOVER, MD. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Dart Group Corporation (NASDAQ: DARTA) announced that it has agreed to pay $2,700,000 to a profit sharing plan of the company to which it sold its Drug Store Division in 1984 in full settlement of a claim by the Department of Labor.

On June 29, 1984, Dart Group Corporation sold its Drug Store Division to a buying group named Dart Drug Stores, Inc. This buying group was led by its chairman, Alvin F. Towle, formerly president of Gray Drug Fair and formerly a senior officer of People's Drug Stores and now the head of a 146-store drug chain, and its president, Steven Hansbrough, a senior drug store executive. General Electric Credit Corporation also participated in the transaction. The buying group was represented by Smith Barney & Co., as investment bankers, and Shearman & Sterling, as legal counsel.

The purchase contract required Dart Group Corporation to cause its profit sharing plan to transfer the applicable Drug Store Division employee profit sharing plan assets to the buyer's profit sharing plan. The trustees of the seller's profit sharing plan were Warren E. Tydings, Robert M. Haft, Benjamin S. Kovalsky and Charles D. Shipe.

After June 29, 1984, Arent, Fox, Kintner, Plotkin & Kahn, counsel for the seller and its trustees, advised Shearman & Sterling, counsel for the buyer and its trustees, that before any assets of seller's plan would be transferred buyer's plan would have to be a mirror image of seller's plan. Shearman & Sterling provided Arent, Fox, Kintner, Plotkin & Kahn, seller's counsel, with written assurances, including copies of buyer's plan and trust, that a plan was in force which was a mirror image of seller's plan so that no more than 10 percent of the plan's assets could be invested in the stock of buyer's new company. After receiving assurances and the written advice of Arent, Fox, Kintner, Plotkin & Kahn, seller's counsel, the seller's trustees transferred the plan assets to buyer's trustees approximately four months after the sale on Oct. 17, 1984.

In an ongoing lawsuit filed in April 1989, the Department of Labor alleged that Towle and Hansbrough breached their fiduciary duty as buyer's trustees by investing nearly 100 percent of the buyer's plan assets in stock of the new company without any independent valuation and at a price that was more than fair market value. The Department of Labor lawsuit alleges that Towle and Hansbrough caused the buyer's plan, whose beneficiaries were their fellow employees, to purchase securities convertible into buyer's common stock at a price approximately nine times higher than the price paid for such common stock by Towle and Hansbrough personally.

Recently, the Department of Labor indicated its view that Dart Group and its trustees had not adequately investigated what would be done with the plan assets after the transfer to the buyer's plan in 1984. This was an effort by the Department of Labor to hold the seller and its trustees responsible for the alleged wrongful conduct of Towle and Hansbrough, the buyer's trustees. This is an untested theory of law.

Dart Group and its trustees agreed to settle fully the Department of Labor's claim against them, set forth in an amended complaint filed today, because of risks inherent in any litigation and the substantial costs of extensive litigation. The Department of Labor's lawsuit against Hansbrough and Towle is continuing.

CONTACT: Stanley E. Rubenstein of Rubenstein, Wolfson & Co., 212-661-4343, for Dart Group

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OKLAHOMA CITY (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Phoenix Resource Companies Inc. (PSE: PHN) today announced the addition of two new members to its board of directors.

Peter G. Sachs and Sanjeev Mehra, both of Goldman, Sachs & Co. were elected to fill two vacancies on the board of directors. Goldman, Sachs & Co. is the holder of approximately 51 percent of the company's outstanding common stock.

Sachs has been a Partner with Goldman, Sachs & Co. since 1980. He served as vice president of their Investment Banking Division from 1972 until 1980. Prior to joining Goldman, Sachs & Co. in 1969, Sachs operated his own business from 1963 to 1969. He is a graduate of New York University Graduate School of Business Administration and Harvard College.

Mehra has been vice president of the Investment Banking Division of The Merchant Bank. Prior to joining Goldman, Sachs & Co.'s Global Finance Department in 1986, Mehra was with McKinsey & Co. Inc. He is a graduate of Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration and Harvard University.

Other members of the board are Galal P. Doss, Francis L. Durand, E. Murray Gullatt (Chairman), George D. Lawrence Jr., Joseph A. Pardo and Rex A. Sebastian.

The Phoenix Resource Companies Inc. is an independent oil and gas company headquartered in Oklahoma City, whose principal assets are located in the Western Desert of Egypt.

CONTACT: Debora L. Bingham of the Phoenix Resource Companies Inc., 405-728-5229

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BURBANK, Calif. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of The Walt Disney Company (NYSE: DIS) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 14.5 cents per share. The dividend is payable Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 12, 1990.

CONTACT: Erwin Okun of The Walt Disney Company, 818-560-5400

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CITY OF INDUSTRY, CALIF. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - RMED International Inc. (NASDAQ: RMED) today announced the selection of Brenda Schenk as its new president and chief executive officer. Edward Reiss, chairman of the board, resigned from his position as acting president.

In announcing the appointment, Reiss said that Schenk brings to RMED

International Inc. the background and skills needed to guide the operations of the company during this time in which the company is geared towards bringing a new diaper product to the market. Reiss stated that he was resigning his management position in order to concentrate his time and efforts on the marketing strategy of RMED's new product lines.

Schenk is the president of Brandy Enterprises Ltd., an equipment leasing and manufacturing company. Together, Schenk and Brandy Enterprises own 5.7 percent of the outstanding common shares of RMED International. In addition, Brandy Enterprises owns a 50 percent interest in RMED's patent pending disposable diaper to be marketed by RMED under the name Tushies. Schenk has extensive retail and merchandising experience.

RMED International Inc. markets TenderCare biodegradable chemical-free, disposable diapers direct to the consumer (800-344-6379), through catalogs and in health food stores, baby stores and drug stores throughout the United States and abroad.

CONTACT: Barry J. Plaga of RMED International, 818-961-7800

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Price Company (NASDAQ: PCLB) has revised the previously announced income statement for today, Sept. 24, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 ending Sept. 2, 1990. No changes to the reported sales, net earnings or earnings per share amounts have been made.

The income statement issued at 9 a.m. (EDT) has been changed to reflect a reclassification of operating costs and expenses. "Selling, General and Administrative Expenses" has been decreased $2.6 million from $96.2 million to $93.6 million. An offsetting increase of $2.6 million to "Cost of Sales" results in total costs of $1,085.4 million vs. $1,082.8 million reported previously. Similar adjustments to the annual amounts have also been made.

THE PRICE COMPANY
CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT
Fourth Quarter Fiscal 1990 and 1989
(Unaudited)
(000s except per share data)

	Fourth Quarter		Year-to-Date	
	Fiscal 1990 9/2/90 (12 Weeks)	Fiscal 1989 9/3/89 (13 Weeks)	Fiscal 1990 9/2/90 (52 Weeks)	Fiscal 1989 9/3/89 (53 Weeks)
Operating Revenues:				

Sales	$1,200,209	$1,212,320	$5,286,463	$4,901,154
Membership Fees and Other Income	26,883	25,634	114,593	104,563
Real Estate Operations	2,817	1,573	11,264	5,874
Total Operating Revenue	1,229,909	1,239,527	5,412,320	5,011,591
Operating Costs and Expenses:				
Cost of Sales	1,085,369	1,101,812	4,817,897	4,479,620
Selling, General and Administrative	93,566	88,441	395,032	350,464
Total Operating Expenses	1,178,935	1,190,253	5,212,929	4,830,084
Operating Income	50,974	49,274	199,391	181,507
Non-operating Items:				
Income from Investments	4,066	4,871	16,484	21,825
Interest Expense	(2,760)	(2,670)	(10,328)	(11,471)
Income before Income Taxes	52,280	51,475	205,547	191,861
Income Taxes	(20,390)	(20,076)	(80,164)	(74,826)
Net Income	$31,890	$31,399	$125,383	$117,035
Net Income per Share:				
Primary & Fully Diluted	$.63	$ .61	$2.47	$2.30

CONTACT: Daniel T. Carter, VP-Finance of The Price Company, 619-581-4889

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MIDLAND, VA. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Ross Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROSX), a manufacturer of food processing and packaging machinery, reported a net loss for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, of $483,963, or 40 cents a share, and $654,689, or 54 cents a sh1r1/41 spectively, as compared to a net income of $149,584, or 12 cents a share, and $153,811, or 13 cents a share, respectively, for the comparable prior year periods.

The company reported net sales for the year of $6,172,844 as compared with sales of $7,350,183 for 1989. Net sales for the fourth quarter of $1,878,936 were down from the $3,012,808 achieved in the prior year fourth quarter. The sales shortfall in fiscal 1990 was attributed to delayed introduction of new products and loss of an anticipated multiple machine order.

Chairman Henry Ross attributed the downturn in profits to higher costs related

to one-time development and startup costs of new product lines. However, the company's confidence in the new product introductions is supported by a current $4.4 million order backlog, the company's highest ever, as compared to a $1.5 million backlog last year. The backlog comprises primarily of orders for new Horizontal Packaging machines and Boundary Layer Control (BLC) Freezing Tunnels.

ROSS INDUSTRIES, INC.

Fourth quarter ended June 30:	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,878 936	$3,012,808
Net income (loss)	(483,963)	149,584
Earnings (loss) per share	(.40)	.12
Average weighted shares outstanding	1,217,480	1,217,480
Fiscal year ended June 30:		
Net sales	$6,172 844	$7,350,183
Net income (loss)	(654,689)	153,811
Earnings (loss) per share	(.54)	.13
Average weighted shares outstanding	1,217,480	1,217,480

CONTACT: James T. McFarland of Ross Industries, Inc., 703-439-3271

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NAPERVILLE, IL (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Varlen Corp. (NASDAQ: VRLN) directors today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on the company's common stock. The dividend will be payable on Oct. 31, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 15. Varlen Corp. has paid dividends continuously since 1971.

Varlen is a diversified manufacturer of precision industrial products for segments of the transportation and laboratory equipment industries as well as selected consumer product markets. Varlen has operating locations in six states with headquarters in Naperville, Ill.

CONTACT: Richard L. Wellek, president and CEO, or Douglas H. MacMillan, vice president and CFO, or Richard A. Nunemaker, vice president and controller, 708-420-0400, of Varlen

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BOCA RATON, FLA. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - First Medical International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HUGE) has executed an agreement in connection with the acquisition of a medical waste disposal company in Lasing, Mich., MedTex International, Inc., for $525,000 in cash and securities. In 1991, over $3 million in sales with a gross profit before taxes of $900,000 are projected by MedTex management. The announcement was made by Roberto Riva, chief executive officer of First

Medical International.

MedTex International has a unique, proprietary medical waste disposal system -- Medwaste -- for sharps medical waste disposal, which includes contaminated needles and syringes. The Medwaste System is used in hospitals, laboratories clinics, doctors and dentists offices. Medwaste economically reduces waste handling and the possibility of accidental infection. It also reduces medical liability by utilizing containers which establish documentation via manifest and receipt that destruction and disposal have been safely and lawfully accomplished.

First Medical International, Inc. (formerly called Humagen) has also recently acquired Cardio Scan, Inc., an established company which specializes in the use of the Holter Monitor system for extensive EKG and EEG testing. The company also has the exclusive right to franchise, own and operate Medical Depot Superstores in the U.S.S.R., Mexico and Panama and a non-exclusive right to franchise, own and operate Medical Depot Superstores anywhere else outside the U.S.

CONTACT: Roberto Riva, CEO of First Medical International, Inc., 407-241-6760

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#90267p7596 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Medtronic, Inc. (NYSE: MDT), announced today that Jack W. Schuler, formerly president and chief operating officer of Abbott Laboratories, has been elected to Medtronic's board of directors.

Winston R. Wallin, Medtronic chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Mr. Schuler brings a depth of healthcare industry experience that will be increasingly valuable as Medtronic works to build worldwide market share in its six businesses. We are fortunate to have his counsel."

Schuler, 50, served in various executive capacities with Abbott during his 17 years with the company. He was elected to its board in 1985 and was president from 1987-89. Schuler was previously employed by Texas Instruments Inc., where he served eight years in France, Germany and Japan.

Schuler is also a member of the boards of Voluntary Hospitals of America Enterprises, Inc.; Lake Forest (Ill.) Hospital; Igen, Inc. and Stericycle, Inc. He serves on the visiting committee of the Harvard University School of Public Health and has been honorary chairman of the auxiliary board of the University of Chicago Cancer Research Foundation. His undergraduate degree in mechanical engineering is from Tufts University and he holds a master's degree from the Stanford University Graduate School of Business Administration. He is a resident of Lake Bluff, Ill.

Medtronic, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, is a leading developer and manufacturer of biomedical devices for improving cardiovascular and neurological health.

CONTACT: Elizabeth Combs, investor relations, 612-574-3038, or Dick Reid, public relations, 612-574-3052, both of Medtronic

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Mid-Atlantic Toyota issued the following:

The U.S. importer of Toyota automobiles and its American distributor in the mid-Atlantic area reached an agreement resolving all disputes, which included business and constitutional matters.

The U.S. importer, Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. (TMS) of Torrance, Calif., and the Maryland distributor, Mid-Atlantic Toyota (MAT), jointly agreed that MAT is permitted under a 1987 settlement agreement to contact elected representatives concerning certain issues set forth in a June 27 lawsuit MAT filed against TMS. MAT has agreed to dismiss the June 27 lawsuit, and representatives of both companies said all disputes have been amicably resolved.

TMS will assume MAT's distributor operations in Glen Burnie, Md., Oct. 1, and TMS has agreed to dismiss its June 22 lawsuit against MAT in which it sought specific enforcement of its right to begin distribution of Toyota vehicles in the mid-Atlantic region.

MAT currently distributes Toyota vehicles to dealers in Washington, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Virginia and West Virginia.

"MAT is happy with the resolution of this dispute. We believe this amicable settlement and the continued cooperation of the parties is in the best interests of both Japan and the United States," said Joseph Burdis Jr., MAT's vice president of corporate affairs.

"TMS is very pleased with the settlement and especially with the opportunity to offer employment to all MAT employees in connection with its new distributor operations in the mid-Atlantic area. TMS has established a new subsidiary, Central Atlantic Toyota Distributors, Inc., to commence operations in the MAT area on Oct. 1," said James Olson, TMS vice president, external affairs.

CONTACT: Sheila Tate of Cassidy & Associates, 202-347-0773, for Mid-Atlantic Toyota; or James Olson of Toyota Motor Sales, 213-618-4701

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#90267p7603 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Time Warner Inc. (NYSE: TWX) and United International Holdings, Inc. (UIH) announced today they have agreed to form a 50-50 joint venture to develop and operate cable television systems and provide cable programming services in Hungary. The level of the two companies' proposed investment was not disclosed.

Working with Hungarian operators, Time Warner and UIH seek to expand the country's cable industry, which currently serves an estimated half- million subscribers. Time Warner will supervise the development of programming services, and UIH will supervise the technical upgrading and operation of cable systems.

UIH has been exploring the Hungarian cable market for more than a year and has agreements with local cable systems representing more than 200,000 subscribers there.

Arthur R. Barron, chairman of Time Warner Enterprises, said, "We look forward to embarking on this cooperative venture with United International Holdings. UIH brings years of experience in cable and a well-established presence in Hungary, which will be invaluable in ensuring a quick startup for the project."

Mark Schneider, senior vice-president of UIH and president of UCI, stated, "We are pleased to work with a company with the reputation and resources of Time Warner in order to bring a wealth of new information and entertainment to Hungary. Hungarians want the variety and depth of programming that only cable can offer, and we believe that our joint venture, in combination with local operators, will provide that in a unique and exciting way."

Barron and Schneider added, "The Hungarian cable industry and the local operators have shown tremendous initiative and entrepreneurial spirit in making Hungary the most advanced cable television market in Eastern Europe. Time Warner and UIH anticipate fulfilling the local operators' vision and helping advance the Hungarian cable industry."

Time Warner and UIH have named Nimrod Kovacs acting managing director of the proposed joint venture and Endre Nagypal director of development.

Planning for the joint venture is expected to be completed by early December, and a new program service, along with an aggressive rebuilding plan, is slated for launch in early 1991.

CONTACTS: Marilyn Harris of Time Warner, 212-484-8702, or Mark Schneider or Nimrod Kovacs, of United International Holdings, 303-770-4001

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WORCESTER, MASS. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Norton Company (NYSE: NRT) today announced the election of Michel L. Besson as chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer, succeeding John Nelson who has agreed to resign.

Nelson will serve as a consultant to Norton. Nelson said, "In the last several years, we made some significant strides in building a firm foundation for the future growth and development of Norton. Now, we have achieved a successful merger with Saint-Gobain, a worldwide industrial company that affords Norton the enhanced resources and competitive position to maintain its worldwide leadership market positions and to scale yet greater heights on behalf of our customers, workforce and neighbors. In addition, Norton's continuation as a civic-minded major employer in Worcester and our other communities is assured.

"Jean-Louis Beffa, chairman of Saint-Gobain, and I have concluded that it is in the best interest of the company that I resign my current responsibilities. At the same time, I look forward to my continued role with Norton as a consultant."

Since 1980, Besson, a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has served as vice chairman, president and chief executive officer of CertainTeed Corporation (Valley Forge, Pa.), a company of the Saint-Gobain Group.

Saint-Gobain ranks among the top industrial companies in the world. It has annual sales of more than $14 billion. The company has leading positions in flat glass, a variety of fiber glass products, glass containers, a large range of building materials, piping products, and paper and wood products. In recent years, it has become one of the strongest world producers of industrial ceramics. It employs 88,000 people and operates 350 plants in the United States and 20 other countries.

Norton Company is the world's largest manufacturer of abrasives and a leading producer of engineering materials, including advanced ceramics, performance plastics and chemical process products. Norton employs 16,800 people and operates 92 plants in the U.S. and 19 other countries.

CONTACT: Amory Hall of Hill & Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for Norton

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SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN, (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Potash Corp. of Saskatchewan Inc. today approved the final prospectus for the qualification of 3,669,000 common shares. A preliminary prospectus dated Aug. 7, 1990, had previously been filed with the securities commissions in all provinces of Canada and a Form S-1 Registration Statement dated Aug. 7, 1990

with the Securities and Exchange Commission in the United States.

The common shares are to be issued upon the exercise of special warrants which were issued on Aug. 2, 1990, for net proceeds of $47,415,545. The Securities and Exchange Commission declared the registration statement effective today. Upon receipts for the prospectus being obtained in all Canadian provinces, warrantholders will have a period of 14 days within which to exercise the special warrants and receive the common shares. At the expiration of the 14-day period, all outstanding special warrants shall be deemed to have been exercised.

CONTACT: Betty-Ann Heggie, VP-Corporate Relations of Potash Corp. of Saskatchewan Inc., 306-933-8521

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CHICAGO, (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - UNR Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: UNRI) announced that its board of directors today has authorized the acquisition of up to 1,500,000 of outstanding shares of its common stock to be held as treasury shares and be available to meet requirements of its Key Executives' Stock Option Plan.

It is anticipated that purchases of shares will be made through both negotiated transactions involving large blocks and open market purchases. The company is also in the process of developing long-term business plans and is considering a number of strategies designed to enhance shareholder value, including the possible future purchase of additional shares.

CONTACT: William F. Andrews of UNR Industries, 312-341-1234

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TEL AVIV, ISRAEL (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Aryt Optronics Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: ARYTF) announced that on Sept. 13, 1990, the agreement was completed in which Aryt agreed to make an equity investment of $4 million in Geotek through the acquisition of 2,666,666 Geotek shares at $1.50 per share. As previously announced on July 18, 1990, Geotek had reached an agreement with Istec Industries and Technologies Ltd. (NASDAQ: ISTEF) to acquire 47 percent of the outstanding shares of Aryt from Istec. After the Istec-Geotek transaction is closed, only 53 percent or 1,413,333 shares of the 2,666,666 Geotek shares will be considered as shares outstanding with the remaining 1,253,333 shares treated as treasury stock.

The agreement also stipulates that Aryt will lend Geotek $3 million for a period of six years with interest calculated at the prevailing rate in effect for certificates of deposit. At Aryt's option, the loan can be convertible

into Geotek common stock at $3 per share.

Aryt Optronics Industries Ltd. is a leading independent designer and manufacturer of diamond-turned optical elements, coatings, specialized instrumentation and subsystems for electro-optical systems.

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard Inc., 212-545-8400, for Aryt Optronics Industries Ltd.

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BRANCHBURG, NJ (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: METC), a leading environmental treatment and services company, announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Metcalf & Eddy, Inc. (the Company), has filed an action in U.S. District Court in San Juan, Puerto Rico, against the Puerto Rico Aqueduct and Sewer Authority (PRASA). The Company's suit seeks approximately $32 million in payment for goods and services the Company has sold and rendered to PRASA under a contract to rehabilitate PRASA's wastewater treatment system and provide related program management services. The company's contract is related to a consent decree PRASA signed in federal court under which PRASA was given a timetable to come into compliance with the federal Clean Water Act. The suit also claims approximately $20 million in additional damages for anticipated claims by suppliers to the Company with respect to the PRASA contract and violations of good faith and fair dealing under the contract. PRASA has been witholding payments under its contract with the company pending an audit of the contract. The Company believes that it has performed in accordance with the terms of the contract and that, accordingly, substantially all amounts due pursuant to the contract will ultimately be realized.

The Company provides a comprehensive range of services and technologies directed principally at protecting the integrity of our nation's water resources. The Company is an 82 percent owned subsidiary of Air & Water Technologies (AMEX: AWT). Air & Water Technologies Corporation, through its operating units, Research-Cottrell, Inc., Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc., and Residuals Management Group, provides a broad range of environmental services in the areas of air pollution control, water resource management, and waste by-product disposal and reuse.

CONTACT: Lucinda Edmonds of Metcalf & Eddy, 617-246-5200

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ORLANDO, FLA. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc. (NYSE: HBJ) today offered a $10,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and indictment of the person who killed Valerie Brown in Baltimore, Md., on Sept.

17.

Brown, age 30, was a senior sales respresentative in the College Division of Holt, Rinehart and Winston, Inc., a subsidiary of HBJ. She had worked for the company for eight years. Brown, who was based in Philadelphia, was shot and killed in an apparent robbery attempt as she was about to enter her hotel in a Baltimore suburb.

Any information about Brown's death should be provided to Detective Sergeant Sam Bowerman at the Baltimore County Police Department, 301-887-3943, or to the Metro Crime Stoppers Hot Line, 301-276-8888.

Harcourt Brace Jovanovich publishes general books, school and college textbooks, and psychological tests, as well as medical and scientific books and journals. It is a major underwriter in life, health and accident insurance through its subsidiaries, Federal Home Life Insurance Company, PHF Life Insurance Company, and The Harvest Life Insurance Company.

CONTACT: C. Anson Franklin, vice president of Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc., 407-345-3010

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GUILDERLAND, NY (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermagnetics General Corp. (NASDAQ: INMA) today reported net sales for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 ended Aug. 26, 1990, amounting to $14,904,000, an increase of 56 percent over the $9,568,000 in the corresponding period a year ago. Net earnings were $404,000, or $.06 per share, 100 percent over the $200,000, or $.03 per share in the first quarter last year.

In announcing the results, Carl H. Rosner, chairman and president, stated, "Revenues and earnings benefited from higher volumes of both MRI magnets for medical diagnostic systems and cryogenic products, in comparison to the first quarter of last year. Manufacturing costs of our internally shielded MRI magnet still remain higher than targeted, which impacted profit margins. I am also pleased with the improvement achieved by our cryogenics product group, which reported the highest quarterly sales since IGC's acquisition of the group in late fiscal 1987."

IGC is a leading manufacturer of superconducting wire and superconducting magnet systems, especially those used in MRI medical diagnostic imaging systems. The company also produces cryogenic equipment, permanent magnet systems and material separation devices.

INTERMAGNETICS GENERAL CORP.
Consolidated Income Statements
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended	
	Aug. 26, 1990	Aug. 27, 1989
Net sales	$ 14,904	$ 9,568
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of products sold	11,863	6,988
Product research and development	248	588
Marketing, general and administrative	2,007	1,602
Total	14,118	9,178
Operating income	786	390
Interest and other income	117	147
Interest and other expense	(449)	(317)
Income before income taxes	454	220
Provision for income taxes	50	20
Net income	404	200
Per share	$ .06	$ .03
Primary shares	6,661,908	6,715,814

CONTACT: Carl H. Rosner of Intermagnetics

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron Research and Technology Co. announced that Daicel Chemical Industries, Ltd., of Japan, has executed a technology license for the manufacturing of Styrene Acrylonitrile (SAN), Crystal Polystyrene and High Impact Polystyrene (HIPS). Daicel, with offices in Tokyo and Osaka, will use the Chevron Chemical technology to support their growing presence in styrenic polymers and fabricated products.

Chevron Chemical Company is a leading manufacturer of polystyrene resins. Currently, Chevron provides a full range of polystyrene products from its 440 million pound per year plant in Marietta, Ohio. This facility is closely linked to Chevron's styrene monomer plant at St. James, La. St. James is in the final stages of a major expansion, which will increase Chevron's styrene capacity in the U.S. to 1.5 billion pounds.

Chevron Research and Technology Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of San Francisco based Chevron Corporation.

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#90267p7641 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Oxford Industries Inc. (NYSE: OXM), Atlanta-based apparel marketing and manufacturing company, today reported results for the first fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31.

Sales for the quarter were $130,409,000, compared to $146,709,000 in the same quarter last year.

First-quarter net earnings were $1,248,000 compared to last year's earnings of $3,975,000.

Earnings per share were $.14 compared to $.40 in the prior year. Commenting on the results, J. Hicks Lanier, chairman of Oxford, said: "Our sales decline for the quarter was a result of several factors. Shipments to Sears were below last year's level as a consequence of their decision to discontinue the sale of men's tailored suits and sport coats. Shipments to JC Penney were also lower due to their addition of branded menswear products to their merchandise mix."

Lanier continued: "Earnings were negatively affected by the sales decline and the current volatile retail market conditions. We continue to plan conservatively in what we view as a weak and uncertain marketplace."

Discussing the current outlook, Lanier said: "We expect sales and earnings in our second quarter will be in line with our first quarter results. In spite of continuing concerns about general economic conditions, we hope to show improvement in our second fiscal half results."

CONTACT: R. William Lee Jr. of Oxford Industries, 404-653-1420

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#90267p7645 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - McCormick Capital, Inc. (NASDAQ: MKOR) today announced approval by Judge Milton I. Shadur, United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, for McCormick Futures Management Inc. to become the general partner and commodity pool operator of the following seven commodity funds: (1) Advanced Portfolio Management Limited Partnership II; (2) Stotler Futures Fund; (3) Stotler Heartland Futures Fund I; (4) Thomson Commodity Partners I; (5) Thomson Commodity Partners II; (6) Thomson Financial Futures Partners I; and (7) Thomson McKinnon Futures Fund.

In a separate proceeding, the bankruptcy court having jurisdiction over three related bankruptcy cases involving Stotler Group Inc. and certain affiliates, entered an order suspending bankruptcy proceedings against Stotler Funds, Inc. so that the transaction could be consummated. The courts acted on motions submitted by Kenneth M. Rosenzweig, special master for Stotler Funds Inc.

Under the terms of the transactions approved by the district court, McCormick Futures Management Inc. will subscribe for units of general partnership and in addition will pay a premium based upon the net asset value of the funds at

closing. The transactions are subject to certain terms and conditions, including approval by the limited partners of the funds. McCormick indicated that it expects the acquisition to be completed prior to the end of the year, but that it may begin acting as clearing broker for the funds in October.

McCormick Capital Inc. is engaged in various aspects of the commodity futures and securities industry. Its subsidiary, McCormick Futures Incorporated, has been a clearing member of the Chicago Board of Trade since 1974. McCormick Futures Management Inc. is a subsidiary of McCormick Futures Incorporated, and currently acts as general partner and commodity pool operator for six publicly held commodity funds with combined net assets of approximately $25 million. Organization and management of futures investment limited partnerships has been an important segment of McCormick's business since 1982.

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#90267p7649 09/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KAN. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) today asked the United States District Court in Kansas City, Mo., to declare the tender offer for KG&E stock by Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE: KLT) unlawful and prohibit KCPL from making further false and unlawful communications to KG&E stockholders.

KG&E answered today the KCPL complaint filed in federal court in Kansas City, Mo., July 23, 1990, the same day it initiated its tender offer, asking the court to determine KCPL's actions to be in compliance with certain federal securities laws.

KG&E said today that the KCPL tender offer is unlawful under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935. Section 9 (a) (2) of the Holding Company Act makes it illegal for any person to acquire five percent or more of the voting securities of one public utility without prior approval by the Securities and Exchange Commission if that person already owns five percent or more of the voting securities of another public utility.

Since KCPL has not sought SEC approval or conditioned its offer on obtaining such approval, KG&E believes the offer is illegal and KCPL should be restrained from further unlawful communication with KG&E stockholders.

KG&E also asserts that the request of Heywood Davis for a stockholder list is not proper.

Wilson Cadman, KG&E president and chairman of the board, says the KCPL offer is not only "legally flawed" but subject to a number of conditions, most of which will take months to be met, if indeed they ever can be met.

The KG&E board has advised common stockholders that the KCPL offer is inadequate. They should not tender their stock and those who have tendered shares should withdraw them.

Cadman reports that KG&E is currently negotiating with a third party regarding a transaction that could lead to a combination. The KG&E board has directed management to explore all options to the KCPL offer, including remaining independent.

Cadman pointed out that KG&E has also established a special bulk power marketing group and expects to complete negotiations for the first contract shortly.

CONTACT: Lyle Koerper of Kansas Gas and Electric Company, 316-261-6207

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CHERRYVILLE, N.C. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The following is a letter to shareholders from Kenneth E. Mayhew, Jr., President and Chief Executive Officer of Carolina Freight Corporation (NYSE: CAO):

Letter to Shareholders:

We are pleased to report record revenue of $171,340,349 for the twelve weeks ended September 8, 1990, an increase of 12.6 percent over third quarter 1989 revenue. Net earnings increased 49.8 percent to $1,612,452 in the third quarter. Earnings per share were $.25 compared with $.16 in the third quarter of 1989. The fiscal year of the Company consists of three 12-week quarters and a 16-week fourth quarter.

Revenue for the first thirty-six weeks of 1990 was $499,162,067, an increase of 8.7 percent over the comparable period of 1989. Year-to-date net earnings were $1,678,076 compared with $4,687,498 for 1989. Earnings per share for the first three quarters were $.25 in 1990 and $.70 in 1989.

Fuel prices have risen substantially as a result of the Middle East conflict. Fortunately, higher fuel costs have been largely offset by a fuel surcharge on freight rates. Partly due to the fuel surcharge, freight rates improved compared with the depressed price level in the third quarter of 1989.

Start-up costs in connection with the restructuring of our linehaul and consolidation terminal (new hub-and-spoke) operations were approximately $300,000 in the third quarter. Health insurance and workers' compensation costs were significantly higher than in the third quarter of 1989 due to escalating national health care costs and more liberal state laws regarding workers' compensation benefits.

Because of two large bankruptcies in the retail industry and numerous smaller bankruptcies among our customers during 1990, we are substantially increasing our provision for bad debts this year. As a result, our bad debt expense was $739,000 higher in the third quarter than in the third quarter of 1989.

The conversion to the new hub-and-spoke operation was completed on June 18 when the $12 million Chicago terminal was opened. With the implementation of the new operations, we have improved freight flows resulting in improved time-in-transit service to our customers. In addition, labor cost ratios have improved.

Kenneth G. Younger, former President and Chief Executive Officer, retired from active employment on August 10, 1990. He is continuing to serve the Company as a consultant and Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Our 12.6 percent revenue growth in the third quarter is a reflection of the superior service that we are providing to our customers and the effectiveness of our marketing program. Not only has the new linehaul/consolidation terminal configuration enabled us to improve time-in-transit service to our customers, but we continue to develop new computer applications that give us an edge in our customer service capabilities.

Now that the new hub-and-spoke operation is completely implemented and functioning smoothly, we are concentrating our efforts on improved productivity and reductions in other costs.

In spite of the negative implications of the Middle East crisis and the uncertain outlook for the U.S. economy, we expect reasonably good operating results in the fourth quarter.

More importantly, we have positioned the Company to be successful over the long term and your management team is dedicated to achieving long-term success.

Sincerely /sig/ Kenneth E. Mayhew, Jr.
President and Chief Executive Officer

CONTACT: Shawn Poole, Carolina Freight Corporation, 704-435-6811

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MENLO PARK, Calif. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Consolidated Freightways Inc. (NYSE: CNF) today elected two new members.

G. Robert Evans is president and chief executive officer of Corporate Finance Associates Illinois Inc. of St. Charles, Ill.

Robert D. Rogers is president and chief executive officer of Texas Industries Inc. of Dallas.

"Bob Evans and Bob Rogers will be welcome additions to the CF board of directors," said Raymond F. O'Brien, board chairman. "As sitting chief executive officers, they will bring considerable business and financial expertise to the organization."

Evans, 59, is the former president and CEO of Bemrose Group USA, Allsteel Inc. Southwall Technologies Inc. and Arcata Corp. He is a graduate of Wagner College with graduate studies at the Wharton School of Business and the UCLA Graduate School of Business.

Rogers, 63, has been an executive of Texas Industries Inc. since 1963 and president and CEO since 1970. He is a graduate of Yale University and earned an MBA from Harvard University.

Consolidated Freightways Inc. is a diversified transportation company with businesses in long-haul and regional trucking, air freight, and intermodal rail and ocean services.

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MOSCOW (SEPTEMBER 24) TASS - SINGAPOREAN PRIME MINISTER LEE KUAN YEW, WHO ARRIVED IN THE SOVIET UNION TODAY, HELD TALKS WITH HIS SOVIET COUNTERPART NIKOLAI RYZHKOV AND IS EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV ON WEDNESDAY, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN GENNADY GERASIMOV TOLD A BRIEFING HERE.

HE SAID THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF RELATIONS WITH SINGAPORE IS "AN IMPORTANT ASPECT OF SOVIET POLICIES IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION". "WE APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT SINGAPORE POSITIVELY RESPONDS TO SOVIET PERESTROIKA AND IS PREPARED TO FACILITATE SOVIET ECONOMIC REFORMS," GERASIMOV ADDED.

HE SAID THAT THE SOVIET-SINGAPOREAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION, MEETING A FEW DAYS BEFORE, MAPPED OUT GUIDELINES FOR ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. "A NUMBER OF AGREEMENTS ARE EXPECTED TO BE SIGNED," GERASIMOV SAID.

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KISHINEV (SEPT. 24) TASS - "THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS OF THE MOLDOVA SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC IS THE MAIN INSTRUMENT TO ENSURE THE REPUBLIC'S EMERGENCE ON THE INTERNATIONAL ARENA," THE NEW FOREIGN RELATIONS MINISTER

NIKOLAI TSYU TOLD TASS.

"ACCORDING TO THE PARLIAMENTARY DECLARATION ON MOLDOVA'S SOVEREIGNTY, IT IS TO BECOME AN INDEPENDENT SUBJECT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. IN VIEW OF THIS, THE MINISTRY IS PROMOTING FROM THE VERY OUTSET DIRECT RELATIONS WITH DIFFERENT COUNTRIES. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN CONCLUDED WITH SUCH AFRICAN STATES AS BURKINA FASO, BURUNDI AND BOTSWANA.

"IN THE NEW POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SITUATION, MOLDOVA MUST HAVE DIRECT RELATIONS NOT ONLY HORIZONTALLY -- WITH SOVEREIGN SUBJECTS OF THE SOVIET FEDERATION OR FUTURE CONFEDERATION, BUT ALSO VERTICALLY - WITH ALL THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD. WE HAVE TO OVERCOME THE NOW EXISTING UNIVERSAL STEREOTYPE IDENTIFYING THE USSR ONLY WITH RUSSIA, THE SITUATION WHEN VERY FEW PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT THE OTHER UNION REPUBLICS.

"A DELEGATION OF OUR MINISTRY RECENTLY RETURNED FROM TURKEY," TSYU SAID. "WE HAD MANY USEFUL MEETINGS WITH THE TURKISH MINISTER FOR INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE, AND ALSO WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF LOCAL BUSINESS CIRCLES.

"AN AGREEMENT WAS REACHED TO SIGN SEVERAL CONTRACTS AFTER A DETAILED DISCUSSION OF THE METHODS AND PRINCIPLES THAT ARE TO UNDERLIE OUR ECONOMIC COOPERATION. THEY PROVIDE FOR THE LAUNCHING OF JOINT VENTURES TO PRODUCE ORIGINAL PACKAGING MATERIALS FOR MOLDOVIAN JUICES AND WINES, WHICH ARE COMPETITIVE ON THE WORLD MARKET. TURKISH BUSINESSMEN ARE ALSO PREPARED TO EXCHANGE WITH US THEIR EXPERIENCE OF GOING OVER TO A FREE MARKET ECONOMY."

"AT PRESENT WE ARE CONSIDERING CONCRETE STEPS TO ESTABLISH MUTUALLY PROFITABLE COOPERATION WITH AMERICA," TSYU SAID. "AN AGREEMENT HAS ALREADY BEEN REACHED TO EXCHANGE STUDENTS AND SPECIALISTS AND ON THE ADVANCED TRAINING OF YOUNG SCIENTISTS IN AMERICAN SCHOOLS. WITH THE HELP OF U.S. FIRMS WE PLAN TO REGEAR A COMPUTER PLANT, NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN MOLDOVA, TO MANUFACTURE MODERN PERSONAL COMPUTERS.

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MOSCOW, (SEPT. 24) TASS - SOVIET AND U.S. EXPERTS WILL ATTEND AS OBSERVERS THE FORTHCOMING FOURTH ROUND OF PEACE TALKS BETWEEN THE ANGOLAN GOVERNMENT AND THE UNITA REBELS, OPENING IN LISBON, A SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

GENNADY GERASIMOV TOLD A BRIEFING HERE THAT THE SOVIET UNION "SUPPORTS PORTUGAL'S MISSION TO ACHIEVE NATIONAL RECONCILIATION IN ANGOLA".

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 24) TASS - ONE MONTH BEFORE THE GEORGIAN PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS THE CAMPAIGN IN THE REPUBLIC IS MOVING INTO HIGH GEAR.

IN THE RUN-UP TO THE OCTOBER 28 POLL, INEXPERIENCE OF DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS IS BECOMING INCREASINGLY EVIDENT.

THE SOCIETY OF ST. ELIJAH THE RIGHTEOUS, ONE OF THE MOST RADICAL POLITICAL ORGANISATIONS, HEADED BY ZVIAD GAMSAKHURDIA, ONE OF THE MAIN CONTENDERS FOR THE POST OF A FUTURE LEADER OF THE REPUBLIC, IS PARTICULARLY NOTORIOUS IN THIS RESPECT, ANALYSTS NOTE.

IN TBILISI LAST WEEK, SUPPORTERS OF THIS ORGANISATION ONCE AGAIN ATTACKED THE LOCAL STATE SECURITY COMMITTEE (KGB) BUILDING DEMANDING THE FREEING OF A SOCIETY MEMBER SUSPECTED OF KILLING A MILITIAMAN.

ABOUT 100 MILITANTS BURST INTO THE PREMISES OF THE INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT OF THE COMMITTEE, SMASHED WINDOWS, FURNITURE AND TELEPHONE SETS WITH METAL RODS, PIPES AND CROW-BARS, AND STOLE DOCUMENTS, VIDEO EQUIPMENT AND PERSONAL BELONGINGS OF STAFF MEMBERS.

THE SOCIETY DEMANDED THE ELIMINATION OF THE GEORGIAN KGB AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL SECURITY SERVICE IN THE REPUBLIC.

IN SUMMER THIS YEAR THE SOCIETY OF ST. ELIJAH THE RIGHTEOUS AND A NUMBER OF OTHER POLITICAL PARTIES WHICH ARE PART OF THE ROUNDTABLE COALITION, MADE POLITICAL DEMANDS AND IMMEDIATELY BACKED THEM UP BY SABOTAGING THE TRANSCAUCASIAN RAILWAY. AS A RESULT, RAILWAY TRAFFIC IN THE REPUBLIC WAS AT A STANDSTILL FOR SEVERAL DAYS.

HOWEVER, RADICAL OPPOSITION PARTIES ARE ALSO BUSY SETTLING SCORES BETWEEN THEMSELVES.

IN TBILISI ON SEPTEMBER 20, FOR EXAMPLE, A CONFRONTATION BETWEEN THE ROUNDTABLE COALITION PARTIES AND THE OPPOSING COORDINATION CENTRE BLOC AGAIN LED TO A SHOOT-OUT.

THE DAY BEFORE, UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUALS BURNED DOWN THE NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE PARTY HEADQUARTERS. THE PREMISES OF THE LEADERSHIP OF THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF GEORGIA WERE SMASHED IN A SIMILAR MANNER ON THE SAME DAY. IN BOTH CASES NO CULPRITS WERE IDENTIFIED.

IN ALL THESE CASES, THE AUTHORITIES OF THE REPUBLIC TOOK A NEUTRAL ATTITUDE AND LIMITED THEMSELVES TO CALLING ON ALL POLITICAL PARTIES AND THE POPULATION TO SHOW MAXIMUM RESTRAINT AND TO TACKLE ALL PROBLEMS THROUGH POLITICAL DIALOGUE.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 24) TASS - COMMENTING ON THE FINNISH GOVERNMENT'S SEPTEMBER 21 DECISION ON SOME PROVISIONS OF THE PARIS PEACE TREATY OF 1947 CONCERNING GERMANY AND INFRINGING UPON FINNISH SOVEREIGNTY, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN GENNADY GERASIMOV TOLD A BRIEFING TODAY:

"WE VIEW THE FINNISH SIDE'S POSITION, AS FORMULATED IN THIS DECISION, IN THE SPIRIT OF THE FRIENDLY RELATIONSHIP OF TRUST THAT HAS EXISTED BETWEEN THE USSR AND FINLAND IN LINE WITH THE 1948 TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP, COOPERATION AND MUTUAL ASSISTANCE."

HE NOTED THAT THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TREATY WAS REAFFIRMED IN A SPECIAL STATEMENT MADE ON THE SAME DAY BY PRESIDENT MAUNO KOIVISTO.

GERASIMOV SAID THAT THE SOVIET AND FINNISH FOREIGN MINISTRIES ARE NOW DISCUSSING ISSUES COVERED BY THE FINNISH GOVERNMENT'S DECISION.

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MOSCOW (SEPTEMBER 24) TASS - IBRAHIM DAKKAK, CHAIRMAN OF THE PUBLIC ORGANISATION "FORUM OF ARAB THOUGHT" TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE TODAY THAT THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE WILL CONTINUE THE STRUGGLE UNTIL IT ACHIEVES ITS GOAL -- THE CREATION OF AN INDEPENDENT STATE.

DAKKAK HEADS A PALESTINIAN DELEGATION FROM ISRAELI-OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES, VISITING THE SOVIET UNION AT THE INVITATION OF THE SOVIET AFRO-ASIAN SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE.

DURING THEIR STAY IN THE USSR, MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF SOVIET PUBLIC ORGANISATIONS, SCIENTIFIC AND EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENTS.

THEY TOLD SOVIET PEOPLE ABOUT THE SITUATION ON OCCUPIED TERRITORIES, THE POSITION OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE AND ITS STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM. FULL UNDERSTANDING ABOUT THE NEED FOR THE QUEST FOR POLITICAL SOLUTIONS TO TERMINATE ISRAELI OCCUPATION AND TO ENSURE THE PALESTINIAN ARAB PEOPLE'S RIGHT FOR SELF-DETERMINATION AND STATEHOOD WAS EXPRESSED AT THE MEETINGS.

AS REGARDS THE MIDDLE EAST SITUATION, DAKKAK SAID THAT IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT HAD A NEGATIVE EFFECT ON THE PEACE PROCESS IN THE REGION. HE SAID THAT THE PALESTINIANS ARE AGAINST THE PRESENCE OF U.S. TROOPS IN THE MIDDLE EAST. BUT IF THE UNITED STATES ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE THE IRAQI-KUWAITI PROBLEM, IT COULD ALSO TRY TO RESOLVE THE PALESTINIAN PROBLEM, DAKKAK SAID.

IN CONCLUSION DAKKAK SPOKE HIGHLY OF THE SOVIET UNION'S STAND IN SUPPORTING THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE'S STRUGGLE FOR INDEPENDENCE.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 24) TASS - DELEGATES TO A COMMUNIST PARTY CONFERENCE IN KAZAN, THE CAPITAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF TATARSTAN IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, PROPOSED TRANSFORMING THE REPUBLICAN COMMUNIST PARTY ORGANIZATION INTO AN COMMUNIST PARTY INDEPENDENT OF THE RUSSIAN COMMUNIST PARTY, THE IZVESTIA NEWSPAPER SAYS TODAY.

THE PROPOSAL WILL NOW BE DISCUSSED IN PRIMARY COMMUNIST PARTY ORGANIZATIONS IN THE REPUBLIC.

THE CONFERENCE LINKED THE HOLDING OF THE NEW PARTY'S FIRST CONGRESS WITH THE CONCLUSION OF NEW UNION AND FEDERAL TREATIES.

IN KEEPING WITH THE TATARSTAN PARLIAMENT'S RESOLUTION PROHIBITING THE HEADS OF STATE BODIES OF POWER FROM OCCUPYING ANY OTHER POSTS, CHAIRMAN OF TATARSTAN'S PARLIAMENT M. SHAIMIYEV RESIGNED FROM THE POST OF THE REPUBLICAN COMMUNIST PARTY LEADER.

THE CONFERENCE ELECTED R. IDIATULLIN, A FORMER SECRETARY OF A DISTRICT PARTY COMMITTEE, TO THE POST.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 24) TASS - SOVIET DEFENCE MINISTER DMITRY YAZOV TODAY MET WITH HIS SWEDISH COUNTERPART ROINE CARLSSON, WHO HAS ARRIVED HERE ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT.

THEY DISCUSSED THE DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, INCLUDING IN THE MILITARY FIELD, IN THE CONTEXT OF EFFORTS TO BUILD A COMMON EUROPEAN HOME AND STRENGTHEN SECURITY AND PEACE, AS WELL AS OTHER ISSUES OF MUTUAL INTEREST.

THE MEETING WAS HELD IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF FRANKNESS AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING.

CARLSSON LAID A WREATH AT THE TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER NEAR THE KREMLIN WALL.

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MOSCOW (SEPT 24) TASS - RYZHKOV AND HIS SINGAPOREAN COUNTERPART LEE KUAN YEW, WHO ARRIVED IN MOSCOW ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT ON SUNDAY, BEGAN THEIR TALKS IN THE KREMLIN TODAY.

THEY DISCUSSED WAYS TO BOOST ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND NEW FORMS AND MECHANISMS OF DEVELOPMENT THAT WOULD MEET MODERN REQUIREMENTS.

BOTH SIDES POINTED TO THE IMPORTANCE OF TAPPING THE GREAT POTENTIALS OF THE SOVIET FAR EAST AND OF ITS EARLY INCLUSION IN THE INTERNATIONAL DIVISION OF LABOUR IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION.

THE DISCUSSION OF INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS SHOWED THAT THE SOVIET UNION AND SINGAPORE HOLD SIMILAR VIEWS AND STANDS ON A WIDE RANGE OF ISSUES.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Reed 2b	3	0	1	0	Kelly cf	4	0	2	1
Quintana 1b	5	0	0	0	Sax 2b	4	2	2	1
Boggs 3b	5	0	0	0	Mattingly 1b	4	0	2	0
Burks cf	3	2	1	0	Balboni dh	3	0	1	1
Greenwell lf	4	0	3	1	Maas ph	1	0	0	0
Evans dh	3	0	0	1	Barfield rf	3	1	0	0
Marshall rf	4	1	0	0	Meulens lf	4	1	1	0
Pena c	4	1	2	0	Azocar lf	0	0	0	0
Rivera ss	2	0	1	0	Cerone c	4	1	1	1
Plantier ph	1	0	1	2	Velarde 3b	4	0	2	0
Barrett 2b	0	0	0	0	Espinoza ss	4	0	0	1
Brunnsky ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	35	4	9	4	Totals	35	5	11	5

Boston	010	000	210-	4
New York	030	010	10x-	5

E-Velarde. DP-New York 1. LOB-Boston 8, New York 7. 2B-Greenwell 2, Sax, Balboni, Pena, Plantier. 3B-Greenwell. HR-Sax (4). SB-Kelly (40). SF-Evans.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Bolton (L 9-5)	1 1-3	5	3	3	1	0
Lamp	4 2-3	3	1	1	0	3
Gardner	2	3	1	1	0	2
New York						
Witt (W 5-8)	7	8	3	2	1	3
Plunk	1	1	1	1	1	2

Righetti (S 34)	1	0	0	0	1	2

Umpires-Home, McCoy; 1b, Phillips; 2b, Clark; 3b, Hirschbeck.

T-2:57. A-40,431.

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Molitor 2b	5	0	1	0	Finley rf	4	0	0	0
Felder cf	3	0	1	0	BRipken 2b	3	1	1	0
Surhoff c	4	0	0	0	Gomez 3b	5	0	3	0
Parker dh	4	0	1	0	CRipken ss	4	0	1	0
Canale dh	0	0	0	0	Hoiles c	0	0	0	0
Brock 1b	4	0	0	0	Melvin c	3	0	0	1
Vaughn lf	4	1	1	1	Tettleton dh	3	0	0	0
Hamilton rf	3	0	1	0	Segui 1b	4	0	0	0
Deer rf	1	0	0	0	Devereaux cf	3	1	1	1
Gantner 3b	3	0	0	0	Anderson lf	4	0	1	0
Spiers ss	3	0	1	0					
Totals	34	1	6	1	Totals	33	2	7	2

Two out when winning run scored.

Milwaukee	010	000	000	0- 1
Baltimore	000	010	000	1- 2

DP-Milwaukee 1, Baltimore 1. LOB-Milwaukee 6, Baltimore 10. 2B-B Ripken. HR-Vaughn (16), Devereaux (10). SB- Molitor (18), BRipken (5). S-Finley, BRipken, Spiers. SF-Melvin.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						
Higuera (L 10-9)	9 2-3	7	2	2	5	8
Baltimore						
McDonald	9	5	1	1	2	0
Ballard (W 2-10)	1	1	0	0	0	1

Umpires-Home, Reilly; 1b, Garcia; 2b, Hendry; 3b, Palermo.

T-3:07. A-29,907.

CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi
Cole cf	0	0	0	0	Wilson cf	6	0	2	1
Webster cf	3	0	0	0	Fernandez ss	5	1	3	1
Browne 2b	5	0	0	0	Gruber 3b	3	1	1	3
Baerga 3b	5	0	0	0	McGriff 1b	4	0	1	0

Alomar c	4	1	0	0	Hill pr	0	0	0	0
CJames dh	4	1	1	1	Sojo 2b	0	0	0	0
Jacoby 1b	4	1	2	0	Bell dh	4	0	0	0
Ward rf	4	0	2	1	Ducey lf	1	0	0	0
Fermin ss	4	1	3	1	Williams lf	0	1	0	0
Jefferson lf	4	0	2	1	Myers c	2	0	1	0
					Borders ph	0	0	0	0
					Mulliniks ph	0	0	0	0
					Diaz c	1	0	0	0
					Lee 2b	3	0	0	0
					Olerud 1b	1	0	0	0
					Felix rf	2	1	1	0
					Whiten rf	2	1	1	0
Totals	37	4	10	4	Totals	34	5	10	5

One out when winning run scored.

Cleveland	001	201	000	0-	4
Toronto	002	100	001	1-	5

E-Nagy, Stieb. DP-Cleveland 1, Toronto 1. LOB-Cleveland 6, Toronto 13. 2B-C James, Jefferson, Fernandez, McGriff. HR-Gruber (30). SB-Fernandez (21). S-Diaz. SF-Gruber.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Nagy	6 1-3	6	3	2	4	4
Olin	1	1	0	0	0	1
Orosco	0	0	0	0	1	0
Jones	1 2-3	2	1	1	1	2
Ward (L 1-3)	1-3	0	1	1	3	0
Valdez	0	1	0	0	0	0
Toronto						
Stieb	3 2-3	6	3	3	2	2
Macdonald	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Wills	2	3	1	1	0	3
Ward	3	1	0	0	0	3
Acker (W 4-4)	1	0	0	0	0	1

Orosco pitched to one batter in the eighth. Valdez pitched to one batter in the tenth.

PB-Myers. HBP-By Stieb (Alomar); By Nagy (Ducey).

Umpires-Home, Morrison; 1b, Roe; 2b, L Barnett; 3b, Kosc.

T-3:22. A-49,901.

TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Franco 2b	4	0	0	0	Gladden lf	4	1	3	0
Daugherty lf	4	0	0	1	Munoz rf	4	1	1	0
Palmeiro 1b	4	0	1	1	Puckett cf	4	1	3	1
Coolbaugh 3b	0	0	0	0	Bush dh	3	1	0	0
Sierra dh	4	0	1	0	Gaetti 3b	4	1	1	4
Reimer rf	3	0	0	0	Larkin 1b	2	1	0	0
Gonzalez cf	4	1	1	0	Ortiz c	3	0	1	0
Petralli c	3	1	2	0	Newman 2b	2	0	0	0
Buechele 3b	2	0	0	0	Gagne ss	3	0	0	0
Pettis cf	0	1	0	0					
Huson ss	2	1	0	0					
Incaviglia ph	1	0	0	1					
Totals	31	4	5	3	Totals	29	6	9	5

Texas	000	000	022-	4
Minnesota	510	000	00x-	6

E-Larkin, Newman. DP-Texas 2, Minnesota 1. LOB-Texas 7, Minnesota 3. 2B-Munoz, Gladden. HR-Gaetti (15). SB-Gladden (25), Huson (11), Pettis (36). SF-Daugherty.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Hough (L 12-11)	6	8	6	5	4	6
Mielke	1	1	0	0	0	0
Russell	1	0	0	0	0	0
Minnesota						
Erickson (W 7-4)	7 2-3	4	2	0	3	3
Leach	2-3	1	2	1	2	0
Aguilera (S 29)	2-3	0	0	0	1	1

PB-Petralli.

Umpires-Home, Cousins; 1b, Reed; 2b, Cooney; 3b, Brinkman.

T-2:14. A-12,730.

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
Polonia lf	4	0	1	0	Thurman rf	4	0	0	0
Ray 2b	4	0	0	0	Seitzer 2b	1	0	0	0
Davis rf	3	0	1	0	White 2b	1	0	0	0
Downing dh	3	0	0	0	Jackson lf	4	0	0	0

Stevens 1b	4	0	0	0	Tartabull dh	4	0	1	0
Parrish c	4	0	0	0	Shumpert pr	0	0	0	0
Howell 3b	4	0	2	0	Morman 1b	4	1	2	0
Schofield ss	4	0	1	0	Macfarlane c	4	1	1	0
White cf	2	0	0	0	Pecota 3b	1	1	0	0
					Stillwell ss	3	1	1	0
					McRae cf	2	0	1	2
Totals	32	0	5	0	Totals	28	4	6	2

California	000	000	000-	0
Kansas City	010	300	00x-	4

E-Schofield. DP-California 2. LOB-California 8, Kansas City 7. 2B-Macfarlane. 3B-Morman.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Finley (L 18-8)	6	5	4	4	6	5
Fetters	2	1	0	0	1	1
Kansas City						
Farr (W 12-7)	9	5	0	0	3	3

WP-Finley.

Umpires- Home, Ford; 1b, Evans; 2b, Welke; 3b, Coble.

T-2:29. A-23,045.

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Phillips 2b	5	1	2	1	RHendersn lf	2	0	0	0
Whitaker 2b	1	0	1	0	Howitt rf	1	0	0	0
Fryman 3b	4	1	1	0	Jennings lf	4	0	1	0
Trammell ss	5	0	1	0	McGee cf	1	0	1	0
Fielder 1b	4	1	2	4	Lewis cf	3	0	0	0
Moseby lf	4	0	1	0	Baines dh	4	0	1	0
Sheets dh	2	1	0	0	McGwire 1b	1	0	0	0
Coles dh	1	0	0	0	Quirk 1b	2	0	0	0
Lemon rf	3	1	1	0	Hassey c	3	0	1	0
Heath c	4	0	0	0	Afenir ph	1	0	0	0
Cuyler c	3	1	2	1	Randolph 2b	2	0	0	0
					Blanknshp 2b	1	0	0	0
					Weiss ss	2	0	0	0
					Gallego 3b	2	0	0	0
					DHendrsn ph	1	0	0	0
					Bordick 3b	0	0	0	0

Totals	36	6	11	6	Totals	30	0	4	0

Detroit	060	000	000-	6
Oakland	000	000	000-	0

E-Fryman. DP-Oakland 1. LOB-Detroit 6, Oakland 6. 2B-Moseby. HR-Fielder (48).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Morris (W 13-18)	9	4	0	0	3	5
Oakland						
Moore (L 12-14)	4	8	6	6	2	3
Chitren	2	0	0	0	0	3
Burns	1	0	0	0	1	0
Klink	1	2	0	0	0	0
Harris	1	1	0	0	0	0

Umpires-Home, Shulock; 1b, Merrill; 2b, McClelland; 3b, Denkinger.

T-2:39. A-43,666.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi
Calderon lf	4	0	0	0	Reynolds 2b	4	0	2	0
Johnson cf	2	0	2	0	Cotto cf	4	0	1	1
Fisk dh	4	0	0	0	KGriffy Sr lf	4	0	0	0
Thomas 1b	3	1	1	1	Davis dh	4	0	0	0
Lyons 1b	0	0	0	0	TMartinez 1b	3	0	1	0
Sosa rf	4	1	1	0	Buhner rf	3	0	0	0
Karkovice c	4	0	0	0	EMartinez 3b	3	0	0	0
Fletcher 2b	4	0	1	1	Briley ph	1	0	0	0
Grebeck 3b	3	0	3	0	Valle c	1	1	1	0
Guillen ss	4	0	0	0	PO'Brien ph	1	0	0	0
					Vizquel ss	1	0	0	0
					KGrffy Jr ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	32	2	8	2	Totals	30	1	5	1

Chicago	010	000	010-	2
Seattle	000	000	100-	1

E-Thomas. DP-Chicago 1, Seattle 2. LOB-Chicago 7, Seattle 8. 2B-Grebeck.
HR-Thomas (5). SB-Sosa (31). S-Vizquel 2.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						

Fernandez (W 5-3)	8	5	1	0	4	4
Thigpen (S 53)	1	0	0	0	0	2
Seattle						
Young (L 8-17)	9	8	2	2	4	6

Umpires-Home, Johnson; 1b, Scott; 2b, McKean; 3b, Kaiser.

T-2:37. A-19,666.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - The Chicago Bears and New York Giants, who relied on defense to plow to championship seasons, moved to 3-0 Sunday with flashes of the formula that sent them to the 1986 and '87 Super Bowls.

Chicago and New York won at home, as did the Cincinnati Bengals, Los Angeles Raiders and San Francisco 49ers, to leave five undefeated teams in the NFL. Seattle and Indianapolis are the league's only 0-3 teams.

The Bears ground out a 19-16 comeback triumph over the Minnesota Vikings on Kevin Butler's fourth field goal after the defense paved the way with constant pressure on quarterback Wade Wilson.

The Giants blew out the Miami Dolphins 20-3 with such swarming of quarterback Dan Marino that the Dolphins were held to Pete Stoyanovich's 51-yard third-quarter field goal on their only trip into New York territory.

''We couldn't find a way to run,'' Miami Coach Don Shula said. ''Dan had a tough day throwing the ball. We struggled all day. At the half, I was glad it wasn't worse than 10-0.''

Marino completed 14 of 30 passes for 115 yards and two interceptions. He had completed 67 percent of his passes over Miami's first two games.

Wilson entered the game against the Bears with three touchdown passes in each of the first two games, then was 0 for 6 with two interceptions until the Vikings' final drive of the first half. He finished 13 of 28 for 159 yards and was sacked twice.

''It's been a while since we won a big game,'' Butler said. ''Last year just seemed to go downhill and downhill but even when Minnesota scored, there was a feeling on the sidelines, 'We've got a shot.'''

The Bears, who were NFC Central Division champs for five years until Minnesota shoved them aside in 1989, have allowed just 29 total points, including two touchdowns, through three games.

The Giants defense forced three turnovers and for the second straight week, did not give up a touchdown; the Cowboys managed only a kickoff return TD in a 28-7 loss to New York the previous week.

The offense helped by holding the ball for more than 40 minutes for the second straight game to hand Miami its first loss.

Linebacker Lawrence Taylor, who suffered a pulled left hamstring on the final play of the game, recovered a fumble at the Miami 11 after Perry Williams knocked the ball free, to set up Ottis Anderson's second touchdown.

Anderson passed Earl Campbell for eighth in NFL career rushing and finished with with 9,433 yards.

Miami entered the game leading the AFC in rushing and Sammie Smith's 215 yards led the league. The Dolphins finished with 39 yards on 11 carries and Smith was held to nine yards on five carries.

In other games, Cincinnati pounded New England 41-7, San Francisco defeated Atlanta 19-13, the Los Angeles Raiders trounced Pittsburgh 20- 3, Denver edged Seattle 34-31 in overtime, Kansas City downed Green Bay 17-3, Washington held off Dallas 19-15, New Orleans hammered Phoenix 28- 7, San Diego dumped Cleveland 24-14, Philadelphia topped the LA Rams 27- 21, Houston beat Indianapolis 24-10, and Tampa Bay got past Detroit 23- 20.

-- AROUND THE NFL --

Bengals 41, Patriots 7

At Cincinnati, field goal holder Lee Johnson pulled off a trick play by flipping a 4-yard touchdown pass to Rodney Holman and Boomer Esiason fired a pair of touchdown passes against New England. Cincinnati placekicker Jim Breech set an NFL record by scoring in his 152nd straight game, eclipsing the mark of 151 set by Fred Cox of the Minnesota Vikings from 1963 through 1973.

49ers 19, Falcons 13

At San Francisco, Joe Montana threw for 398 yards and two touchdowns and the San Francisco defense throttled Atlanta's ''Red Gun'' offense as the 49ers beat their NFC West rivals. Atlanta, 1-2, has lost 12 straight road games while San Francisco has won 11 straight games dating back to last season. Atlanta rookie back Steve Broussard, who came into the game as the second-leading rusher in the NFC, was carried from the field in the third quarter with a knee injury.

Raiders 20, Steelers 3

At Los Angeles, Marcus Allen broke open a close game with a 1-yard scoring run with 11:03 left and the undefeated Raiders extended Pittsburgh's streak without a touchdown on offense to three games. The Raiders are 8-0 in the Coliseum over two seasons with Art Shell as coach.

Broncos 34, Seahawks 31

At Denver, David Treadwell kicked a 25-yard field goal 9:14 into overtime against Seattle, marking the second straight week he has beaten a division rival on the game's final play. Treadwell, who last week kicked a 22-yarder as time expired against Kansas City, had missed a 49- yard field goal wide right with 43 seconds remaining in regulation. Seattle's Norm Johnson missed a 39-yard field goal also wide right with seven seconds left to send the game into overtime.

Chiefs 17, Packers 3

At Green Bay, Wis., Christian Okoye rushed for 122 yards and a touchdown, and Stan Petry returned an interception for a touchdown, moving Kansas City to 2-1 and the Packers to 1-2. Green Bay's Pro Bowl quarterback Don Majkowski, who reclaimed the starting job from Anthony Dilweg after a contract holdout, completed 19 of 31 passes for 171 yards but threw two interceptions and was sacked seven times.

Redskins 19, Cowboys 15

At Washington, Chip Lohmiller kicked four field goals, including a wind-aided 55-yarder, and Darrell Green scored on an 18-yard interception return against Dallas, 1-2. The victory was tempered when Redskins quarterback Mark Rypien sprained his left knee when defensive tackle Dean Hamel was blocked into him. Last year, the Cowboys' only victory of the season was over the Redskins.

Saints 28, Cardinals 7

At New Orleans, Rueben Mayes rushed for three second-half touchdowns and 99 yards against Phoenix, putting each at 1-2. Mayes scored his first touchdowns since the 12th game of the 1988 season. He missed all of 1989 following Achilles tendon surgery.

Chargers 24, Browns 14

At Cleveland, Billy Joe Tolliver threw two touchdown passes to Anthony Miller and the San Diego defense set up two other scores with turnover recoveries to key San Diego's first victory. The San Diego defense sacked Cleveland quarterback Bernie Kosar three times, including two by Lee Williams, intercepted three of his passes and also recovered a fumble.

Eagles 27, Rams 21

At Anaheim, Calif., Randall Cunningham threw two touchdown passes and engineered a 71-yard drive that consumed the final eight minutes of the game to help Philadelphia win its first game and drop Los Angeles to 1- 2. The Eagles avoided their first 0-3 start since 1986 and limited the Rams' league-leading offense to 35 yards rushing. Philadelphia also received a boost from Keith Jackson, who caught four passes for 77 yards in his first game since ending his 50-day holdout Wednesday.

Oilers 24, Colts 10

At Houston, Warren Moon threw for 308 yards and three touchdowns against winless Indianapolis to give the 1-2 Oilers their first victory under new coach Jack Pardee. Moon also became the Oilers' all-time leading passer with 19,289 yards, surpassing the 19,149 George Blanda accumulated from 1960-66.

Buccaneers 23, Lions 20

At Tampa, Fla., Running back John Harvey took a pass in the flat and scored from three yards out with 4:21 remaining to rally Tampa Bay to their second win over Detroit in three weeks. Harvey and backfield mate Gary Anderson provided critical plays as the Buccaneers, 2-1, scored two fourth-quarter touchdowns. Steve Christie added three field goals for Tampa Bay. Detroit, which played without three defensive starters, fell to 1-2.

The Monday night game features Buffalo at the New York Jets.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
EAST								
Miami	2	1	0	.667	60	51	2-0	2-1
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	33	40	1-1	1-1
New York Jets	1	1	0	.500	44	46	0-0	1-1
New England	1	2	0	.333	47	82	1-1	1-2
Indianapolis	0	3	0	.000	34	66	0-2	0-3
CENTRAL								
Cincinnati	3	0	0	1.000	87	43	0-0	3-0
Cleveland	1	2	0	.333	48	51	1-0	1-2
Pittsburgh	1	2	0	.333	26	42	1-1	1-2
Houston	1	2	0	.333	60	77	0-1	1-2

WEST								
LA Raiders	3	0	0	1.000	51	25	2-0	3-0
Kansas City	2	1	0	.667	64	48	0-1	2-1
Denver	2	1	0	.667	67	68	2-1	2-1
San Diego	1	2	0	.333	54	52	0-0	1-2
Seattle	0	3	0	.000	44	68	0-2	0-3

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
EAST								
New York Giants	3	0	0	1.000	75	30	2-0	3-0
Washington	2	1	0	.667	63	41	2-0	2-1
Dallas	1	2	0	.333	39	61	0-2	1-2
Phoenix	1	2	0	.333	30	80	1-1	1-2
Philadelphia	1	2	0	.333	68	71	0-2	1-2
CENTRAL								
Chicago	3	0	0	1.000	67	29	2-0	3-0
Tampa Bay	2	1	0	.667	75	76	2-0	2-1
Detroit	1	2	0	.333	62	75	0-2	1-2
Green Bay	1	2	0	.333	52	72	0-1	1-2
Minnesota	1	2	0	.333	69	46	0-1	1-2
WEST								
San Francisco	3	0	0	1.000	58	38	2-0	3-0
Atlanta	1	2	0	.333	74	67	0-1	1-2
LA Rams	1	2	0	.333	80	77	0-0	1-2
New Orleans	1	2	0	.333	43	52	0-1	1-2

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Johnson ss	5	0	2	1	Walton cf	5	1	1	0
Magadan 1b	4	0	2	1	Sandberg 2b	3	0	2	1
Jefferies 3b	5	0	1	0	Grace 1b	4	0	1	1
Strawberry rf	3	1	1	1	Dawson rf	3	0	0	0
Reed rf	1	0	0	0	May lf	4	0	1	0
McReynlds lf	5	2	3	0	Ramos 3b	3	0	0	0
Teufel 2b	5	2	3	1	Varsho ph	1	1	1	0
Boston cf	5	1	1	2	Dunston ss	4	0	0	0
Obrien c	4	1	2	1	Girardi c	4	0	1	0
Gooden p	4	0	0	0	Maddux p	2	0	0	0
Pena p	0	0	0	0	Pavlas p	0	0	0	0

					Clark ph	1	1	1	0
					Williams p	0	0	0	0
					Smith ph	1	0	1	1
Totals	41	7	15	7	Totals	35	3	9	3

New York	000	004	300- 7
Chicago	000	000	021- 3

DP-Chicago 1. LOB-New York 10, Chicago 7. 2B-Johnson, Teufel, Magadan, McReynolds, Varsho. HR-Strawberry (37), Boston (11). SB-Sandberg (25).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Gooden (W 18-6)	8	7	2	2	2	9
Pena	1	2	1	1	0	1
Chicago						
Maddux (L 14-14)	6 1-3	12	6	6	3	6
Pavlas	1 2-3	2	1	1	0	1
Williams	1	1	0	0	0	1

Umpires-Home, Quick; 1b, Bonin; 2b, Rennert; 3b, Tata.

T-2:53. A-24,385.

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Raines lf	6	0	3	0	Dykstra cf	5	0	0	0
DaMartinz cf	4	0	0	0	Booker ss	3	0	0	0
Frey p	0	0	0	0	Thon ss	4	0	0	0
Foley 2b	2	0	0	0	VHayes lf	4	1	1	0
Deshields 2b	5	0	1	1	Kruk rf	6	0	0	0
Wallach 3b	7	0	1	0	CHayes 3b	7	0	2	1
Walker rf	7	0	0	0	Fletcher c	2	0	0	0
Galarraga 1b	6	0	3	0	Campusan ph	1	0	0	0
Fitzgerald c	6	0	0	0	Nieto c	0	0	0	0
Owen ss	3	0	0	0	Murphy rf	1	1	0	0
Burke p	0	0	0	0	Jordan 1b	3	0	1	0
Aldrete ph	1	0	1	0	Daulton c	3	0	0	0
Alou pr	0	1	0	0	Morandini 2b	2	0	1	0
Mohorcic p	0	0	0	0	Chambrln ph	1	0	0	0
Goff ph	0	0	0	0	Ontiveros p	0	0	0	0
Grissom ph	0	0	0	0	Meadows ph	1	0	0	0
Gross p	0	0	0	0	Boever p	0	0	0	0
Roomes ph	1	0	1	0	Hollins ph	1	0	1	1
Farmer p	0	0	0	0	Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0
Sampen p	0	0	0	0	Carman p	1	0	0	0

Boyd p	1	0	0	0	Grimsley p	2	0	0	0
Nixon cf	4	0	0	0	Ready 2b	3	0	1	0
Totals	53	1	10	1	Totals	50	2	7	2

None out when winning run scored.

Montreal	000	000	000	001	0000-	1
Philadelphia	000	000	000	001	0001-	2

DP-Montreal 2, Philadelphia 2. LOB-Montreal 16, Philadelphia 12. 2B-Jordan, Galarraga. SB-VHayes 2 (16), Raines (45), Galarraga (8), Ready (3). S-Boyd, Nixon, Foley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Boyd	6	2	0	0	4	2
Frey	2 1-3	2	0	0	0	3
Burke	2 2-3	0	0	0	1	1
Mohorcic	1	1	1	1	2	0
Gross	3	1	0	0	0	3
Farmer (L 0-3)	0	0	1	1	2	0
Sampen	0	1	0	0	0	0
Philadelphia						
Grimsley	7	3	0	0	5	3
Ontiveros	2	0	0	0	0	1
Boever	3	3	1	1	2	2
Akerfelds	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Carman (W 6-2)	3 1-3	3	0	0	2	0

Farmer pitched to 2 batters in the 16th. Sampen pitched to 1 batter in the 16th.

WP-Mohorcic, Farmer, Grimsley.

Umpires-Home, Marsh; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, West; 3b, Hohn.

T-5:08. A-25,715.

ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Gilkey lf	4	1	1	0	Backman 3b	3	1	1	0
Terry p	0	0	0	0	King 3b	2	0	0	0
Camacho p	0	0	0	0	Bell ss	2	1	0	0
Smith ss	4	0	1	0	VanSlyke cf	4	2	2	1
Jose rf	4	1	1	0	Bonilla rf	3	2	2	2
Guerrero 1b	3	0	1	1	Bonds lf	3	0	1	1
Zeile 3b	3	0	1	1	Bream 1b	4	1	1	1

Thompson cf	3	0	0	0	Slaught c	3	0	1	2
Pagnozzi c	3	0	0	0	Lind 2b	3	0	0	0
Oquendo 2b	3	0	0	0	Smiley p	2	0	0	0
Tewksbury p	2	0	0	0	Palacios p	1	0	0	0
DiPino p	0	0	0	0					
Lankford cf	1	0	0	0					
Totals	30	2	5	2	Totals	30	7	8	7

St. Louis	000	002	000- 2
Pittsburgh	301	002	01x- 7

E-Zeile, Thompson. DP-St Louis 1, Pittsburgh 1. LOB-St Louis 5, Pittsburgh 6. 2B-Jose, Backman, Van Slyke 2, Zeile, Bonilla, Slaught. HR-Bonilla (32). SF-Bonilla, Guerrero, Slaught.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Tewksbury (L 10-8)	5	6	6	5	0	4
DiPino	1	1	0	0	1	0
Terry	1 2-3	1	1	0	2	2
Camacho	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Pittsburgh						
Smiley (W 9-10)	5 2-3	5	2	2	2	1
Palacios (S 2)	3 1-3	0	0	0	1	3

Tewksbury pitched to two batters in the 6th.

HBP-Bell by Tewksbury, Bell by Terry.

Umpires- Home, Harvey; 1b, Demuth; 2b, Gregg; 3b, Crawford.

T-2:31. A-30,635.

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
Rhodes cf	4	0	1	0	Smith lf	3	1	2	0
Candaele 2b	4	0	0	0	Treadway 2b	3	0	1	1
Gonzalez 3b	4	0	0	0	Gant cf	4	0	1	0
Davis 1b	3	0	1	0	Justice rf	4	1	1	2
Stubbs lf	3	0	0	0	Gregg 1b	4	0	1	0
Anthony rf	2	0	0	0	Blauser ss	4	0	1	0
Ramirez ss	4	0	1	0	Lemke 2b	3	0	1	0
McGriff c	3	0	0	0	Mann c	3	0	0	0
Gullickson p	2	0	1	0	Marak p	3	1	1	0
Caminiti ph	1	0	0	0					
Hennis p	0	0	0	0					

Totals	30	0	4	0	Totals	31	3	9	3

Houston	000	000	000- 0
Atlanta	200	010	00x- 3

DP-Houston 1, Atlanta 1. LOB-Houston 7, Atlanta 6. 2B-Smith, Lemke. 3B-Davis. HR-Justice (27). SB-Gant (31).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Gullickson (L 9-14)	6	9	3	3	0	2
Hennis	2	0	0	0	2	2
Atlanta						
Marak (W 1-2)	9	4	0	0	3	1

HBP-Davis by Marak.

Umpires-Home, C Williams; 1b, McSherry; 2b, Montague; 3b, Davidson.

T-2:23. A-9,060.

SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Butler cf	5	2	2	0	Harris 3b	4	0	0	1
Kingery lf	3	1	1	0	Javier cf	4	0	3	0
Clark 1b	5	2	2	1	Gibson lf	4	0	0	0
Williams 3b	5	1	3	2	Murray 1b	4	0	0	0
Bass rf	3	0	0	2	Brooks rf	3	0	0	0
Riles ss	3	0	0	0	Scioscia c	4	0	2	0
Benjamin ss	1	0	0	0	Samuel 2b	3	2	1	0
Decker c	4	0	2	1	Griffin ss	4	0	1	0
Litton 2b	2	0	0	0	Neidlinger p	0	0	0	0
Burkett p	3	0	0	0	Hansen ph	1	0	0	0
					Holmes p	0	0	0	0
					Poole p	0	0	0	0
					Aase p	0	0	0	0
					Gwynn ph	1	0	1	1
					Wetteland p	0	0	0	0
					Daniels ph	1	0	0	0
					Gott p	0	0	0	0
					Hatcher ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	34	6	10	6	Totals	34	2	8	2

San Francisco	202	020	000- 6
Los Angeles	000	010	100- 2

E-Murray. DP-San Francisco 1, Los Angeles 1. LOB-San Francisco 7, Los Angeles 7. 2B-Butler, Williams, Scioscia. SB-Butler (45). S-Kingery, Burkett. SF- Bass.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Francisco						
Burkett (W 14-7)	9	8	2	2	2	9
Los Angeles						
Neidlinger (L 5-2)	3	5	4	3	1	1
Holmes	1	3	2	2	1	1
Poole	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Aase	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Wetteland	2	0	0	0	0	1
Gott	2	1	0	0	1	5

Holmes pitched to three batters in the fifth.

Umpires-Home, Davis; 1b, Layne; 2b, Runge; 3b, Winters.

T-2:48. A-45,241.

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Larkin ss	5	0	3	3	Roberts lf	4	0	1	0
Oneill rf	5	0	2	1	Alomar 2b	2	0	1	0
Doran 2b	4	1	0	0	Faries 2b	1	0	0	1
Davis lf	5	3	4	0	Clark 1b	2	0	1	1
Morris 1b	5	1	2	0	Jackson rf	1	0	0	0
Quinones 3b	5	2	2	2	JCarter cf	4	0	0	0
Reed c	5	0	1	1	Santiago c	3	0	0	0
Winnnghm cf	3	2	1	1	Parent c	1	0	0	0
Jackson p	2	0	0	0	JeClark rf	4	0	0	0
Lee ph	1	0	1	0	Pagliarulo 3b	4	0	0	0
Layana p	0	0	0	0	Cora ss	3	1	2	0
					Whitson p	1	0	1	0
					Rodriguez p	1	1	0	0
Totals	40	9	16	8	Totals	31	2	6	2

Cincinnati	040	120	200-	9
San Diego	000	020	000-	2

DP-Cincinnati 1, San Diego 1. LOB-Cincinnati 7, San Diego 5. HR-Quinones (2). SB-Alomar (24), Roberts (44). S-Dan Jackson. SF-Faries.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						

Dan Jackson (W 6-6)	7	6	2	2	2	6
Layana	2	0	0	0	0	3
San Diego						
Whitson (L 13-9)	4	10	7	7	2	4
Rodriguez	5	6	2	2	0	2

Whitson pitched to three batters in the fifth.

Umpires-Home, Darling; 1b, Froemming; 2b, Pulli; 3b, Rippley.

T-2:25. A-15,410.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - A World Airways jet carrying 111 former hostages arrived in Raleigh, North Carolina, Sunday in what could be the last group of American captives brought out of occupied Kuwait. One Milwaukee resident aboard the craft said he is happy to be back in the United States where people are- in his words- ''NOT dangerous and there is law and order.''

Secretary of State Baker denies a statement by an anonymous State Department official that Washington could have lived with a ''limited invasion'' by Iraq of Kuwait. Baker scoffed at ''twenty-twenty hindsight'' in an interview Sunday denouncing suggestions that the U-S government contributed to Iraqi agression against Kuwait by failing to warn Iraq against the invasion.

Frederik de Klerk was full of promise on his arrival in Washington Sunday, declaring ''the new South Africa is at hand'' and ''the walls of apartheid are coming down.'' De Klerk... the first South African leader to visit the United States since 1945... will meet with congressional leaders before going to the White House. De Klerk will spend two days on Capitol Hill.

Organizers of a candlelight vigil Sunday are urging world leaders to save 50-Million children around the world in the 1990's by making children a priority on their political agendas. Candles were lit around the globe in advance of next week's World Summit for children at the United Nations. U-N officials estimate about 40-thousand children die around the world each day.

A stray bullet was fired in New York Sunday, killing a 12-year-old girl playing with her friends in a Brooklyn courtyard. Police says the child's friends at first thought she was playing, but then saw the blood. The girl was the third youth hit by stray gunfire in the city since Friday... and the sixth child to die from random gunfire in New York since the middle of summer.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Baltimore at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Milwaukee, 8:35 p.m.
Oakland at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
California at Texas, 8:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
New York at Chicago, 2:20 p.m.
Montreal at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Houston, 8:35 p.m.
San Diego at San Francisco, 10:05 p.m.

BOXING

Inglewood, Calif. - Genaro Hernandez vs.
Ben Lopez, 10, super featherweights; Reggie
Johnson vs. Jay Bell, 12, middleweights.

FOOTBALL

Buffalo at NY Jets, 9 p.m.

GAMES

Beijing - Asian Games

TENNIS

Basel, Switzeralnd - $500,000 Swiss Indoors
Brisbane, Austrailia - $200,000 Queensland Open.
Palermo, Italy - $350,000 International Championsips of Sicily
Estoril, Portugal - $100,000 Estoril Open
Vienna - Davis Cup semifinal (Austria vs. United States)

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... U-P-I has the
morning news.

The 160-member United Nations General Assembly meets today in New York City,
with the Persian Gulf crisis as its major focus. U-N Secretary General Perez
de Cuellar says the latest statements out of Iraq are NOT helpful to those who

want peace. Iraq threatens to attack Israel and Saudi Arabian oil fields.

South African President F-W de Klerk offered assurances yesterday that the ''walls of apartheid are coming down.'' He's the first South African leader to visit the United States since 1945. Anti-apartheid demonstrators are expected to protest de Klerk's White House meeting this morning with President Bush.

French police have recovered five paintings stolen from Paris museums this summer, including a Renoir cut from its frame at the Louvre during visiting hours. Police charged a 21-year-old Frenchman with the theft of the five master paintings. Authorities believe he also was responsible for the theft a 1470 portrait taken from a Venice museum last Friday.

The Mexican government says 30 people were killed when heavy rains flooded parts of Chihuahua, 750 miles north of Mexico City. Officials say about 300 homes were destroyed. The worst-hit areas were in the north and southeast sections of Chihuahua City, where dozens of homes and cars were washed away.

The 1991 Old Farmer's Almanac goes on sale today with a forecast that calls for a winter ''cold as the Dickens'' east of the Rockies. The venerable yellow booklet of weather forecasts and observations is in its 199th year of publication. But when it comes to the weather, editor Judson Hale concedes the almanac is NEVER 100 percent accurate.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - Moslem sources in Lebanon say three people died yesterday in a fresh outbreak of fighting between pro-Syrian Shiite Amal forces and the Iranian-backed Hezbollah group. Sources say three Hezbollah gunmen were killed in exchanges of artillery and rocket fire in battles east of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut.

Officials in Thailand say 39 people were killed when a double-decked tour boat with 70 passengers aboard, capsized on a reservoir in northeast Thailand. Officials say most of those killed were medical students. Officials believe the accident likely occurred when the boat's top deck collapsed under the weight of the passengers.

Ailing Mormon Church leader Ezra Taft Benson underwent surgery again yesterday to relieve pressure on his brain. It's the second time in a week Benson has undergone the operation. A church spokesman says Benson is in critical, but stable condition in a Salt Lake City, Utah, hospital.

Legendary race car driver A-J Foyt underwent surgery in Milwaukee for badly fractured legs, injured when he crashed into an embankment during a race yesterday. Doctors say Foyt's vital signs are stable and the four-time Indianapolis-500 winner was alert after the crash at the Road America course.

He is listed in satisfactory condition.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - In a pennant race, even one as full of stumbling as the one between the Boston Red Sox and the Toronto Blue Jays, a missed opportunity can make all the difference.

The Red Sox got ''a million chances'' against the New York Yankees Sunday and squandered them all; Mookie Wilson got a shot at redemption against the Cleveland Indians and took it, lifting Toronto into sole possession of first place, a game in front of Boston, in the American League East.

Wilson, who muffed a bunt attempt and struck out in the ninth, hit a 1-0 pitch over a drawn-in outfield that scored the winning run in the 10th inning, lifting the Blue Jays to a 5-4 victory over Cleveland.

With the score tied 4-4, Kenny Williams led off the 10th for Toronto by drawing a walk from Colby Ward, 1-3. Williams was sacrificed to second by Carlos Diaz and Ward issued an intentional walk to John Olerud before walking Mark Whiten to load the bases. Wilson then hit a 1-0 pitch over left fielder Stan Jefferson's head to score Williams with the game-winner.

''I made a mistake not getting the bunt down in the ninth, I had a second chance and I was determined to make up for it,'' Wilson said. ''I had a couple of fast runners on the corners, they were playing in, all I had to do was hit the ball hard.''

Jim Acker, 4-4, pitched the 10th inning to pick up the victory.

For the Red Sox, it wasn't just one blown opportunity. Besides the none-out, runner-on-third situation in the eighth inning of their 5-4 loss to the Yankees, they twice failed to deliver a runner from third with one out and another time couldn't score after putting the first two men on.

''We can't dwell on this game,'' said Dwight Evans, who struck out in the eighth. ''We didn't do it today. I feel bad about what happened but I was trying.''

''We had a million chances and we didn't do it,'' Red Sox Manager Joe Morgan said. ''How many more times can I say it?''

With New York ahead 5-3 in the eighth, Ellis Burks walked and scored on Mike Greenwell's triple.

''When I saw the ball go to the wall, I knew if I could get to third it would improve our chances to score,'' Greenwell said.

Eric Plunk then fanned Evans and Mike Marshall, and got Tony Pena on a grounder. Dave Righetti pitched the ninth for his 34th save.

Mike Witt, 5-8, allowed eight hits over seven innings for the win. He yielded three runs, two of them tainted because of shoddy fielding.

Compounding Boston's problems is the pain remaining in Roger Clemens' shoulder. Morgan said his ace right-hander tried to throw again, but stopped.

''There wasn't much sense in throwing more, I guess,'' Morgan said. Clemens refused to comment.

''We play four out of five days without Roger on the hill,'' infielder Jody Reed said. ''We're in position to win the division, and we can't worry about one guy.''

Tom Bolton, 9-5, received the start in place of Clemens Sunday. Of the 10 batters Bolton faced, six reached base and three scored.

Both the Red Sox and Blue Jays have nine games left. Boston plays all but one at home and the Blue Jays finish with nine straight on the road. The two teams meet for three games in Boston Sept. 28-30.

Elsewhere in the American League, Detroit mauled Oakland 6-0, Minnesota topped Texas 6-4, Kansas City cliupped California 4-0, Baltimore nipped Milwaukee 2-1 in 10 innings and Chicago edged Seattle 1-0.

In the National League it was: Pittsburgh 7, St. Louis 2; Philadelphia 2, Montreal 1 in 16 innings; Atlanta 3, Houston 0; Cincinnati 9, San Diego 2; and San Francisco 6, Los Angeles 2.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Tigers 6, Athetics 0

At Oakland, Jack Morris pitched a four-hit shutout and Cecil Fielder belted his 48th homer - a grand slam in the second inning - to power the Tigers. Morris, 13-18, did not allow a hit after the third inning. Mike Moore, 12-14, worked the first four innings for Oakland, giving up eight hits and all six Detroit runs.

Twins 6, Rangers 4

At Minneapolis, rookie Scott Erickson, 7-4, allowed four hits over 7 2-3 innings and Gary Gaetti hit a grand slam for his 200th career home run to guide the Twins. Kirby Puckett and Dan Gladden each went 3-for-4. Rick Aguilera pitched the ninth for his 29th save. The Twins jumped on Charlie

Hough, 12-11, for five hits and a 5-0 lead in the first inning.

Royals 4, Angels 0

At Kansas City, Mo., Steve Farr pitched a five-hit shutout to lead the Royals. Farr, 12-7, allowed only two runners past first in his first complete game and first shutout. Chuck Finley, 18-8, took the loss.

Orioles 2, Brewers 1, 10 innings

At Baltimore, Bob Melvin drove in Bill Ripken with a sacrifice fly in the 10th to give the Orioles their fifth straight victory. Melvin's sacrifice fly made a loser of Ted Higuera, 10-9. Jeff Ballard, 2-10, pitched the 10th in relief of Ben McDonald, who spaced five hits over nine innings.

White Sox 2, Mariners 1

At Seattle, rookie Frank Thomas homered in the eighth to lift the White Sox from a 1-1 tie. Rookie right-hander Alex Fernandez, 5-3, went eight innings and Bobby Thigpen pitched the ninth for his 53rd save. Matt Young, 8-17, allowed eight hits on the way to his club-leading seventh complete game.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
Brett, KC	527	80	175	.332
Palmeiro, Tex	559	69	180	.322
RHenderson, Oak	461	112	148	.321
Trammell, Det	548	70	169	.308
Boggs, Bos	593	85	181	.305
CJames, Cle	501	60	152	.303
Parker, Mil	577	70	175	.303
EMartinez, Sea	479	70	145	.303
Puckett, Min	526	82	159	.302
Burks, Bos	551	84	166	.301

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Dykstra, Phi	569	102	186	.327
Murray, LA	522	92	170	.326
Magadan, NY	417	70	135	.324

Dawson, Chi	496	66	156	.315
Grace, Chi	553	69	173	.313
Gwynn, SD	573	79	177	.309
Bonds, Pit	496	103	153	.308
Roberts, SD	541	101	166	.307
Sandberg, Chi	585	110	179	.306

HOME RUNS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 48; McGwire, Oak 39; Canseco, Oak 37; McGriff, Tor 34; Gruber, Tor 30.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi and Strawberry, NY 37; Mitchell, SF 35; Bonds, Pit 33; Bonilla, Pit 32; Williams, SF 31.

RUNS BATTED IN

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 126; Gruber, Tor 112; McGwire, Oak 105; Canseco Oak 95; Parker, Mil 92.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Carter, SD Bonilla, Pit and Williams, SF 114; Bonds, Pit 113; Strawberry, NY 107.

DOUBLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Brett, KC 45; Jo.Reed and Boggs, Bos 43; Calderon, Chi 42; Harper, Min 41.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Jefferies, NY 39; Bonilla, Pit 37; Sabo, Cin, Roberts, SD, Johnson, NY 36; Wallach, Mtl and Dykstra, Phi 35.

TRIPLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fernandez, Tor 17; Sosa, Chi 10; Liriano, Min 9; Burks, Bos and Johnson, Chi 8.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Duncan, Cin 11; Gwynn, SD 10; Coleman, StL 9; L.Smith, Atl, Dunston, Chi and Butler, SF 8.

STOLEN BASES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 62; Kelly, NY 40; Sax, NY 37; Pettis, Tex 36; Cole, Cle and Johnson, Chi 33.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 58; Bonds, Pit 50; Nixon, Mtl 47; Raines, Mtl and Butler, SF 45.

RUNS SCORED

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 112; Fielder, Det 98; Yount, Mil 94; Reynolds, Sea 93; Phillips, Det 92; Franco, Tex 91.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi 110; Bonilla, Pit 108; Bonds, Pit 103; Dykstra Phi 102; Roberts, SD 101.

HITS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Boggs, Bos 181; Palmeiro, Tex 180; Brett, KC, Kelly, NY, Parker, Mil 175; Griffey Jr., Sea 174.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Dykstra, Phi 186; Larkin, Cin 180; Sandberg, Chi 179; Gwynn, SD, Wallach, Mtl, Butler, SF 177.

VICTORIES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Welch, Oak 25; Stewart, Oak 21; Clemens, Bos 20; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 18.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Drabek, Pit 20; Martinez, LA and Viola, NY 19; Gooden, NY 18; Maddux, Chi, Burkett, SF and Browning, Cin 14.

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 155 innings pitched)

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 1.98; Finley, Cal 2.49; Stewart, Oak 2.67; Appier, KC 2.76; Stieb, Tor 2.96.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Darwin, Hou 2.31; Whitson, SD 2.63; Viola, NY 2.66; Smith, Pit 2.73; Rijo, Cin and Boyd, Mtl 2.75.

STRIKEOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Ryan, Tex 210; Witt, Tex 209; Clemens, Bos 204; Hanson, Sea 194; Langston, Cal 182.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 216; Cone, NY 214; Gooden, NY 208; Fernandez, NY 173; Viola, NY 169.

SAVES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Thigpen, Chi 53; Eckersley, Oak 44; Jones, Cle 40; Righetti, NY 34; Olson, Bal 33.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Franco, NY 33; Myers, Cin 30; L.Smith, StL 27; Smith, Hou and Lefferts, SD 23.

COMPLETE GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Morris, Det 10; Stewart, Oak 9; Clemens, Bos, Finley, Cal, Witt and Brown, Tex 7.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 11; Maddux, Chi and Hurst, SD 8; De.Martinez, Mtl, Viola, NY and Drabek, Pit 7.

SHUTOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 4; Perez, Chi, Appier, KC, Morris, Det and Stewart, Oak 3; Nine pitchers tied with 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Morgan, LA and Hurst, SD 4; Martinez, LA, Boyd and Gardner, Mtl, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3.

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ATHENS, Greece (SEPT. 24) UPI - Syria will ''not tolerate'' the presence of U.S.-led foreign forces in the Persian Gulf region once the current crisis abates, Syrian President Hafez Assad said during a trip to Iran.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency also said Assad, a long- time foe of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, ''urged Iraq to quit Kuwait.''

Syria has sent 4,000 troops to Saudi Arabia and reportedly plans to send more as part of an Arab League force deployed in response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

But Tehran radio said Assad, who began a three-day visit to Iran Saturday, agreed with the Iranian view that regional disputes should be resolved within the region.

Assad, speaking at a banquet in Tehran, ''made it clear that his country would not tolerate the presence of foreign forces in the region after the end of the current crisis,'' according to the Iranian news agency dispatch monitored in Athens.

The Syrian leader, accompanied by a high-ranking delegation, earlier held a first round of talks with Iranian President Akbar Hashemi- Rafsanjani. The two heads of state held private discussions before beginning formal talks in the presence of other officials.

Assad's visit coincided with the 10th anniversary of the Iraqi invasion of Iran on Sept. 22, 1980.

Syria was Iran's staunchest ally during the gulf war but diplomats, said Damascus is concerned about the growing detente between Tehran and Baghdad

following Saddam's capitulation last month to Iran's war-time demands.

Tehran radio said Assad laid a wreath at the tomb of Iranian leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini at Behesht Zahra, some 10 miles south of Tehran. He made a pilgrimage Sunday to the shrine of Imam Reza, a Shiite saint, in Mashad.

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#90267u0338 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (SEPT. 24) UPI - A double-decker tour boat carrying 70 passengers, mostly medical students, capsized on a reservoir in northeast Thailand, killing 39 people, officials said Monday.

A provincial official in Khon Kaen, 240 miles northeast of Bangkok, said 39 people, including 37 students at public health colleges, were killed in the accident Sunday at the reservoir formed by Ubolrat Dam.

He said the victims included 35 women and four men.

Hospital officials said 38 bodies had been found and divers were searching for the last body.

The provincial official, who asked not to be identified, said investigators believed the accident was caused by the collapse of the boat's top deck under the weight of sight-seeing passengers.

''The top deck was an extension to the boat's original structure. It was unstable and could not bear the weight,'' the official said. ''When the top deck collapsed, it triggered panic and the students went to one side. Then the boat capsized.''

The official said the incident happened only 200 yards from the pier.

He said the boat captain fled the scene and the boat owner has also disappeared.

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#90267u0343 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 24) UPI - A bipartisan delegation of Japanese politicians left for communist North Korea Monday on a five-day visit that is expected to lead to informal relations with one of the most isolated countries in Asia.

Traveling on the first direct flight between Tokyo and the North Korean capital of Pyongyang, the delegation, headed by senior Liberal Democrat Shin Kanemaru, carried a private message of reconciliation from Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, government officials said.

The message is to be delivered to North Korean President Kim Il-Sung, whose iron rule and philosophy of self-reliance have cut North Korea off from most of the world.

Kanemaru will seek the release of two Japanese seamen who have been held in North Korea since 1983 in retaliation for the defection of a North Korean soldier to Japan.

If successful, he will agree to the setting up of liaison offices in the two countries' capitals, the Foreign Ministry said. The offices would promote trade, which North Korea desperately needs, but would fall short of diplomatic status, a Foreign Ministry spokeman said.

North Korea is the only country in the world with which Japan has no diplomatic relations. Cold War hostilities, combined with Korean bitterness over Japan's harsh colonial rule of their land until the end of World War II, have kept contacts at a minimum.

Hostility deepened in the 1980s, first with the imprisonment of the two seamen and then with the bombing of a South Korean airliner in November 1987. Kim Hyon Hui, a captured North Korean agent, confessed to the bombing.

Japanese were outraged to learn from her confession that she had been trained to pose as a Japanese citizen by a woman kidnapped from Japan.

But even at the worst moments, Japan maintained a back-door channel of communication through the Japan Socialists, the nation's largest opposition party.

Leading Japanese Socialists, professing solidarity with North Korea's ruling Workers' Party, have made numerous trips to Pyongyang - via Beijing.

Despite overtures from the ruling Liberal Democrats in Japan, the door to Pyongyang stayed firmly shut to them until Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev shocked North Korea's rulers by meeting with South Korean President Roh Tae-woo in June.

The prospect of Seoul establishing relations with Moscow and making headway with Beijing apparently shook Pyongyang into action.

In addition to accepting the Kanemaru mission, it agreed to a series of historic meetings between the prime ministers of the two Koreas, the first of which occurred in Seoul Sept. 5.

In view of the Socialists' intermediary role, the delegation, composed of nearly 90 people, included Socialist Vice Chairman Makoto Tanabe and nine other party members. Several Japanese government bureaucrats were included in the delegation as advisers.

Kaifu's message to Kim is reportedly an apology for Japan's harsh 35- year rule over the Koreans. Kaifu wrote it as head of his party, not prime minister in view of the lack of formal relations between the two countries, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said.

Kim, the only president in North Korea's history, led the fight against Japanese rule during World War II, according to his official biography.

Kaifu made a similar apology to South Korean President Roh Tae-woo during a visit Roh made to Tokyo in May.

At that time, Roh called for helping North Korea to break out of its isolation and for reunification with the South by the end of the century. Kaifu called Roh to brief him on Japan's North Korea initiative a few days before the delegation left, according to the Asahi News Service.

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#90267u0358 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - Record cold weather followed record high temperatures in the South as most of the nation enjoyed clear skies and cool weather Monday on the second day of fall.

The mercury dropped to 58 degrees early Monday in Jacksonville, Fla., breaking the record of 59 degrees set in 1967. The chilly weather came a day after records for warm weather were tied or broken in three Florida cities.

West Palm Beach had 93 degrees Sunday, breaking the record of 92 set last year Fort Myers had a 94 to tie the record set in 1988 and Key West had a 92 to equal the record set in 1987.

Cool, dry Canadian air that moved across much of the eastern half of the nation was responsible for the fall weather, but bright sunshine kept things comfortable even though temperatures peaked only in the 50s across the Northeast.

The Great Plains also enjoyed pleasant but blustery weather with temperatures in Dodge City, Kan., climbing into the 80s, and south to southwest winds moving between 15 and 25 mph.

To the West, fog gave way to clear skies in Washington, where temperatures dipped into the 50s with light winds.

Southern California had morning clouds and west southwest winds at 15 mph, and high temperatures near 80 were expected.

Things quieted down in south Texas Monday, with only scattered light showers

reported in contrast to strong storms that dumped up to 4 inches of rain on the area Sunday, leaving one road under 16 feet of water.

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#90267u0371 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (SEPT. 24) UPI - The Cambodian resistance said Monday it has accepted a compromise on the makeup of a national council, opening the way for another step towards a politial settlement of the 11-year-old conflict.

In Bangkok, Thai Foreign Minister Subin Pinkayan told reporters he was optimistic the council, which includes all four battling factions, could reconvene in Bangkok soon, but was awaiting assurances of progress from the government in Phnom Penh.

In statements released in Beijing, Prince Norodom Sihanouk, the overall chief of the three-faction resistance coalition, and resistance leader Son Sann said they had accepted a proposal that the membership of the newly formed national leadership council be increased.

The ''Supreme National Council'' was established under a breakthrough agreement earlier this month between the resistance and the Vietnam- supported government of Prime Minister Hun Sen as the key organization in a United Nations peace settlement framework.

The council, designed to represent Cambodia's national sovereignty under the U.N. plan that includes cease-fire and free elections, originally had six resistance and six government members.

But Phnom Penh balked at the addition of Sihanouk as the council president, saying it would give the resistance an advantage.

Son Sann's statement said the resistance would accept the addition of a seventh Phnom Penh government member, and Sihanouk added his assent.

''We have decided ... to accept that the party of Mr. Hun Sen name a seventh member to the SNC,'' Son Sann said.

In his statement, released by his Beijing residence, Sihanouk praised the compromise as a ''deblockage.''

''Now, the ball is in the camp of Mr. Hun Sen,'' Sihanouk said.

A Cambodian resistance source in Bangkok said Thai foreign ministry officials held a series of meetings Monday with resistance officials to sound out the chances of making progress if the council is reconvened.

''The signs are very good to have another meeting soon,'' Subin said. ''All

four sides are compromising.''

He said Thailand expected word from the Hun Sen government Tuesday to confirm that it agreed to reopen the meeting on the basis of 14 members with Sihanouk as chairman.

Subin said he expected the meeting would be a short one meant to only endorse a joint communique on the composition and leadership of the council.

Foreign Ministry sources said that if all goes well, the meeting could be held late this week or early next week.

The four Cambodian factions are now working to end the more than decade-old guerrilla war in the country that erupted after Vietnam invaded and occupied Cambodia in late 1978.

Son Sann, however, also said ''it would not be useful'' to name a vice president of the council, apparently to avert the realization of a Sihanouk-Hun Sen administration.

To assure the council's success, he said, ''it is necessary to have only a president ... a national leader uncontested and incontestable, recognized by all,'' while the remainder of the council would be ''thirteen ordinary members.''

In another statement Son Sann criticized Hun Sen for a letter to the United Nations, saying the letter showed that Hun Sen was trying to act as prime minister despite the formation of the Council.

The comment was another sign of the suspicions that have plagued efforts to work out a political settlement between the four factions whose animosities go back to the 1960s.

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#90267u0379 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait:

BAGHDAD, Iraq - Iraq, admitting for the first time it made a mistake, apologized to France for raiding French diplomatic premises in occupied Kuwait but said the soldiers thought the building belonged to a member of the deposed Kuwaiti ruling family. Baghdad Radio said an Iraqi government spokesman apologized late Sunday for the incident that occurred earlier this month. The raid on the diplomatic grounds prompted France to send more ground forces and jet fighters to the region.

BAGHDAD, Iraq - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein threatened to attack oil fields in Saudi Arabia and other Arab countries if his people are ''strangled'' by the U.N. economic sanctions against his country. It was one of the strongest messages yet from Saddam, whose previous threats to attack Israel and U.S. allies in the Middle East were contingent on being attacked first by Western forces.

UNITED NATIONS - U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar decried Saddam's threat to attack first saying it was ''not very helpful to those who want a peaceful solution to the problem.'' Perez de Cuellar made the comments as particpants gathered Monday in New York for the General Assembly's 45th session, which was expected to be dominated by the Persian Gulf crisis.

TEHRAN, Iran - President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani said Iran, which has condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, is also steadfast in its opposition to the deployment of the U.S.-led multinational military force in the Persian Gulf region, calling it an ''arrogant scheme.''

LOS ANGELES - The Los Angeles Times said Monday the U.S. government learned Saddam drew up the plan to invade Kuwait as early as 1986. The plan envisioned the troops would make only a ''strategic pause'' in Kuwait before continuing south into Saudi Arabia, the newspaper quoted officials as saying.

RALEIGH, N.C. - The State Department in Washington said a plane carrying 111 American hostages landed in North Carolina Sunday night on what appeared to be the last such flight. A spokeswoman said there were believed to be 1,245 Americans still in Kuwait and 320 in Iraq.

ABOARD THE USS MERCY - If diplomacy fails and statecraft turns to war, the battle-broken bodies of American soldiers will mostly end up on two hospital ships now waiting offshore. ''We are planning for a massive number of casualties,'' Capt. Paul D. Barry told reporters who visited the USS Mercy Sunday. ''That is what we are drilling for.'' The Mercy and its sister ship, the USS Comfort, are the world's largest medical trauma centers on land or sea each having 1,000 beds and facilities that more than match most ground institutions.

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#90267u0439 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - Baghdad Radio says Iraq issued an official apology to France after Iraqi troops stormed French diplomatic quarters in occupied Kuwait. The radio report says that Iraqi soldiers believed the French building was owned by a member of Kuwait's deposed ruling family. The incident two weeks ago and prompted France to send more ground forces and planes to assist U-S-led military efforts in the Persian Gulf.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz may be having trouble arranging a flight.

Iraq charged yesterday U-S officials refused permission for an Iraqi plane to land in New York City so Aziz can go to today's U-N General Assembly meeting. Bush administration officials say Iraq's ambassador was told last week Aziz would have to take a commercial jet to the United States rather than an Iraqi government plane. .

The Los Angeles Times says Iraqi troops conducted secret exercises for at least two years before invading Kuwait. The report says the military maneuvers and invasion of Kuwait were part of a plan to take Saudi Arabia's eastern oil fields. The newspaper says U-S officials used newly gathered intelligence to learn Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein mapped the strategy as early as 1986.

South African authorities have formally charged black activist Winnie Mandela with assault and kidnapping in the 1989 death of a 14-year-old anti-apartheid activist. Mrs. Mandela was accompanied to the Soweto courtroom by her husband, Nelson, and dozens of supporters. She is among seven defendants accused in the case. A judge set the trial date for next February.

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#90267u0459 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - Eight New York City youths charged in the slaying of a Utah tourist are scheduled to appear in a Manhattan courtroom today for a bail hearing. The youths are charged with murder, robbery and assault in the death of 22-year-old Brian Watkins. He was stabbed on a subway platform while trying to defend his parents during a mugging. Prosecutors say videotaped confessions made by seven of the youths may be the strongest evidence against them.

Two earthquakes centered offshore rocked Japan early today, but NO damage or injuries are reported. Japanese quake-watchers say the jolts measured six-point-four and five-point-eight on the Richter scale and created small waves that lapped Japan's shores. Officials say the quakes were felt across Japan, but their effects were largely diminished before reaching land.

Officials in Thailand say 39 people died when a double-decker tour boat capsized in a reservoir about 240 miles northeast of Bangkok. Hospital officials say 38 bodies have been recovered and divers are searching for one more. Authorities believe the boat overturned because the top deck could NOT withstand the weight of the passengers. Officials say the accident occured 200 yards from a pier.

New York City police and F-B-I agents are searching for a woman who may have stashed pipe bombs and automatic weapons about one mile from the United Nations. Police say the explosives were found last week in two trunks left in a hallway by an evicted sub-tenant. Reports indicate the woman spoke with an Irish or English accent, giving rise to suspicions she may be linked to an Irish terrorist organization.

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#90267u0531 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - Rising global oil prices and worries over the Middle East crisis combined to send stock prices broadly lower in light trading trading Monday in Hong Kong, Singapore and Sydney.

In Tokyo, banks, markets, governments offices and most major businesses were closed for the observance of Autumnal Equinox Day.

In Hong Kong, stock prices fell to their lowest level in eight months on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which plunged 52.68 points Friday, tumbled 70.09 points or 2.4 percent to 2,861.77.

Among the narrower indexes, financials fell 41.23 points, industrials shed 55.14, utilities tumbled 95.25 and properties nosedived 133.04 points.

Volume remained light as an estimated 575 million shares changed hands, compared with 620 million shares Friday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices plunged in light and featureless trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 27.99 points Friday, dropped 15.65 points to 1,132.74. The broader-based All Singapore Index fell 5.98 points to 320.25.

An estimated 32.3 million shares changed hands, compared with 39.1 million shares Friday.

In Bangkok, stock prices rebounded slightly in light trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange after falling more than 17 percent last week.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index gained 9.16 points to 647.11.

Trading activity improved slightly as 1.6 billion shares changed hands, compared with 1.2 billion on Friday.

Market watchers in Thailand said stocks rebounded in a session dominated mostly by bargin hunters.

In Australia, stocks on the Sydney Sharemarket tumbled to their lowest level in almost two years as a combination of rising Middle East tension and domestic recession fears sapped investor confidence.

The All Ordinaries Index, which lost 18.6 points Friday, fell 14.9 points to

1,413.0.

An estimated 52.9 million shares changed hands, compared with 66.6 million shares Friday.

Declines outpaced advances 178 to 63.

Analysts said prices fell on Middle East worries.

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#90267u0551 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - Trial opens in Cincinnati, Ohio, today to determine if the Contemporary Arts Center violated obscenity laws. The gallery displayed erotic photographs by Robert Mapplethorpe.

NASA managers will review plans today on launching the shuttle Discovery about October 7th. One critical factor may be yesterday's scrubbing of the launch of an Air Force Titan-4 rocket with a classifed satellite aboard.

More than 200 East German prisoners are staging hunger strikes and sit-ins. They demand that after unification with the West October 3rd the harsh sentences imposed by the ousted communists be reviewed.

Cambodian resistance leaders have accepted a compromise on the makeup of a council to work toward peace. Resistance leader Prince Sihanouk is to be chairman and the government will get an additional member.

39 people were killed in northeast Thailand yesterday when a tour boat capsized on a reservoir. 37 victims were medical students. An official says the top deck apparently collapsed because it had too many passengers.

More rain fell yesterday in the northern Mexican city of Chihuahua. Flooding destroyed hundreds of houses. 30 people were killed. A Mexican news agency says three dams overflowed.

Assistant Senate Democratic leader Alan Cranston says he will vote NOT to confirm David Souter for the Supreme Court. Cranston says he is concerned about Souter's views on abortion.

Senate Republican leader Robert Dole says Republicans may agree to higher taxes for the rich. In a broadcast yesterday, Dole offered a compromise if Democrats accept a lower capital gains tax.

French police have recovered five masterpieces stolen this summer from Paris museums. One was a Renoir cut out of a frame during visiting hours at the Louvre. A 21-year-old Frenchman was charged with the thefts.

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#90267u0656 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 24) UPI - Iran's official news agency quotes Syria's leader as saying U-S-led foreign troops in the Persian Gulf will NOT be tolerated once the crisis eases. Syrian President Hafez Assad is ending a three-day visit to Iran. But Tehran Radio says Assad agrees with Iran's view that regional disputes in the Gulf should be resolved by Arab states.

The presidents of Brazil and France are scheduled to address the U-N General Assembly's 45th session today in New York City. But it is the Persian Gulf crisis that's expected to be the focus of debate among the 160-member states at the world body. The U-N Security Council has already passed resolutions to compel Iraq to withdraw from the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait.

South African President F-W de Klerk is invited to a White House meeting this morning with President Bush. Anti-apartheid activists vow to protest the White House luncheon in de Klerk's honor. de Klerk also plans to meet congressional and business leaders in an effort to ''change the image'' of South Africa as an oppressor.

Black actvist Winnie Mandela appeared a Soweto court near Johannesburg today where she was formally charged with assault and kidnapping in the 1989 death of 14-year-old boy. A trial date was set for next February. Mrs. Mandela remains free on her own recognizance pending trial.

Communist rebels ignored President Aquino's declaration of a cease-fire in the Philippine capital, announcing today that the hostilities will resume in Manila and quake-ravaged ares. The New Peoples Army says the government's truce announcement ''was a mere scheme to divide the revolutionary forces.''

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#90267u0673 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 24) UPI - A Cincinnati, Ohio, art gallery director is to appear in court this morning to face state obscenity charges for displaying photography by the late artist Robert Mapplethorpe. Gallery director Dennis Barrie is charged with pandering obscenity and child pornography for seven of the 175 photos in the exhibit last spring.

There's a ticker-tape parade in Atlanta today, to honor the group that won the 1996 Summer Olympics for the Georgia capital. Sponsors of the parade imported 100 miles of ticker-tape from a New England company for the event. Officials say it's the first ticker-tape parade in Atlanta history.

Japan's Kyodo News Service says inter-city train service was delayed for about 10 minutes today after two offshore earthquakes shook Japan. NO damage or injures were reported. The quakes measured six-point-four and five-point-eight

on the Richter scale. They were widely felt, but the shocks were mostly diminished before reaching land.

Cool weather gripped parts of the nation on the second day of fall. The mercury fell to 58 degrees this morning in Jacksonville, Florida, breaking a record 59 degrees set in 1959. The chilly weather came one day after records for hot weather were broken or tied in three Florida cities. .

Miami forecasters say the 12th tropical depression of the Atlantic- Caribbean hurricane season is trudging through the Atlantic Ocean. At last report, the storm, with 35-mile-an-hour winds, was about 700 miles west northwest of the Cape Verde Islands. Forecasters say some increase in the storm's forward speed is possible.

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#90267u0731 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 21: Purchases of 466,348 shares and sales of 596,543 shares including 79,123 shares sold short.

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#90267u0766 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - People in 80 nations held vigils at sunset yesterday to show concern for hungry and homeless children. Children in Australia stood on a mountain and made a chain of 40-thousand paper dolls reaching from the top to the base. The vigils were organized to focus attention on the U-N World Summit for Children.It will be the largest gathering of world leaders in history. U-N officials estimate 40-thousand children die every day.

Budget negotiators have one week to agree on cutting the deficit or automatic cuts will be made under Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law. Maryland Governor William Schaefer met with President Bush yesterday and said Bush is optimistic the negotiators will beat the deadline. Senate Republican leader Robert Dole suggests Republicans may accept higher income taxes for the rich, if Democrats agree to cut capital gains taxes.

Iraq says it made a mistake when it invaded the French diplomatic premises in Kuwait two weeks ago. Iraq says its troops thought the building belonged to the ruling family of Kuwait. Baghdad Radio says a government spokesman apologized to France. The raid earlier this month prompted France to send more troops and jet fighters to the Persian Gulf region. Other raids were made on Belgian, Canadian and Dutch diplomatic buildings.

The South had record high temperatures yesterday and record cold readings today. The mercury in Jacksonville, Florida, fell to 58 degrees this morning,

a record low. Yesterday, Florida high records were 93 in West Palm Beach and 92 in Key West. South Texas got up to four inches of rain. 16 feet of water covered one road. Only light showers are reported today.

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#90267u0767 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - A British soldier serving in northern Ireland was shot to death yesterday while he sat in a car with his fiancee. Officials say four masked men fired through the windows of the car. The woman was NOT hurt. Police blame the Irish Republican Army. Also in Ulster, two gunmen burst into a pub and killed one man and critically injured another. Police believe that attack was part of a feud between Protestant para-military groups.

Communist guerrillas in the Philippines have rejected President Corazon Aquino's cease-fire. They say they will resume full hostilities. The communist New Peoples Army has been fighting the Philippine government for 21 years. Its leader says Aquino's announcement of a limited cease-fire is a ploy to divide anti- government forces. He accused her of insincerity, citing last week's violent breaking up of demonstrations.

The Coast Guard arrested 13 people yesterday during a Greenpeace protest against the work of a research ship off southern Oregon. Two protesters from Greenpeace's Rainbow Warrior got aboard the research ship, the Aloha. The Aloha is examining underwater mineral deposits in black sand about two miles west of Gold Beach, Oregon. Residents fear valuable deposits may be found and mining could hurt the area's fishing grounds.

The Navy is strictly enforcing regulations against fraternization between the sexes aboard the U-S-S Mercy, a hospital ship in the Persian Gulf. One-third of the personnel are female, mostly nurses. A public affairs officer said- ''We are trying very hard NOT to be the love boat.'' Although the rules do NOT apply during shore leave, hand-holding is forbidden on ship. The officer said one husband whose wife is on board has asked for official permission to hold her hand.

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#90267u0829 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

WAUWATOSA, WIS. (SEPT. 24) UPI - A.J. Foyt, a four-time winner of the Indianapolis 500, was hospitalized in satisfactory condition Monday after surgery for leg injuries suffered in a crash during a race at Road America.

Lynn Thompson, a spokeswoman for the Milwaukee County Medical Complex, said Foyt was expected to be transferred to Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis later Monday.

Foyt, 55, was airlifted to the hospital Sunday in critical but stable

condition. Foyt later was upgraded to serious and then satisfactory condition after 4 1/2 hours of surgery, hospital officials said.

Thompson said Foyt underwent surgery for fractures of his left heel and left knee. He also suffered a dislocated right foot and a fractured toe on his right foot that was repaired with a surgical pin, said Mel Poole, a spokesman for Championship Auto Racing Teams.

Poole said doctors also found a compression fracture of a vertebra in the lower back but he said the injury was not serious and could have been sustained years earlier.

''His words before he went into surgery were, 'Tell them I'll be back,''' said Jon Potter, the executive director of Championship Driver's Association, which represents Foyt and other drivers.

''Knowing the type of injury he has and knowing the way he is, there is no reason for him not to resume a full racing career,'' Potter said.

Jeff Reeck, a spokesman for Road America, said Foyt crashed off turn one past a runoff area into brush. He said there was a small fire that was quickly extinguished.

Reeck said the crash occurred about 1:45 p.m. while Foyt was on Lap 27 during the Texaco/Havoline 200. Other drivers ran a few laps under a yellow flag but the red flag stopped the race at Lap 34 on the 4-mile layout at Elkhart Lake. Michael Andretti later won the race.

Foyt, one of two drivers to win the Indianapolis 500 four times, is the all-time leader in Indy car victories with 67, but has not won this year.

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#90267u0848 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - Two energy surveys Monday showed the domestic rotary rig count dipped by five rigs nationwide last week while the offshore rig count in the Gulf of Mexico rose by one.

Baker Hughes Inc. reported 1,055 rotary rigs working last week compared with 1,060 the previous week and 967 the same week one year ago.

Offshore Data Services said one more rig went to work in the Gulf of Mexico, pushing the utilization rate to 67.5 percent. A total of 143 rigs worked last week out of a fleet of 212.

One rig also went to work in European waters but two others joined the fleet there, dipping the utilization rate to 94.9 percent with 130 rigs working out of a fleet of 137. Offshore activity was unchanged in the rest of the world.

Texas had 354 rigs working last week compared with 349 for the previous week and 306 for the same time one year ago, Baker Hughes reported.

Other relevant rig counts included: Louisiana, 141, 146 and 134; New Mexico, 65, 65 and 33; Oklahoma, 124, 124 and 139; Canada, 112, 117 and 127.

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#90267u0852 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - After a two-year lull, violence at women's health and abortion clinics is again climbing and could return to the high rates of the mid-1980s, the National Abortion Federation said Monday.

According to the federation, there have been eight arson or firebombing attacks on clinics so far this year, the most recent a Sept. 12 incident when a man in business suit tried to throw a firebomb through the door of a Planned Parenthood clinic in Worcester, Mass.

Overall, according to federation figures, there have been 44 incidents of anti-abortion violence so far during 1990.

The worst years for violence against clinics were in the mid-1980s, said federation spokeswoman Alice Kirkman, peaking in 1984-85, when the federation recorded 52 arsons and bombings.

In contrast, 1988 was a low point, with only seven such incidents, and most other incidents were minor.

''Since the July 1989 Webster decision and intensified public debate on abortion, we've received more reports of extreme violence,'' Kirkman said. ''We are already approaching the 1989 total of arson and bombings and we still have three months to go in 1990.''

Since 1977, when it first began tracking violence at the clinics providing legal abortions, the federation has recorded 806 incidents, including harassment, assualt, vandalism, death threats and arson.

Nicki Nichols Gamble, president of the federation's board of directors and executive director of the Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts, speculated the sharp increase in violence ''may be the result of certain anti-abortion individuals venting their frustration about the anti-abortion legislative and electoral defeats of the past year.''

''Or perhaps some are angry about the increasing criminal penalties against Operation Rescue activists who blockade abortion clinics. We just don't know '' Gamble said.

Operation Rescue, which prides itself on its militism in its efforts to invade and shut down clinics, has often been at the center of violent incidents during its sit-ins.

Since it began operating in 1986-87, it has claimed more than 35,000 activists have been arrested for blocking the entrances to clinics.

But financial difficulties - especially heavy fines leveled against the group as well as injunctions in various parts of the country and a racketeering suit it is fighting - forced the group to close its national headquarters in New York.

And while it has never been directly connected to any of the arson attempts, its leader, Randall Terry, has been quoted as saying violence in the name of the cause ''is not necessarily immoral.''

Among the recent incidents cited by NAF, in addition to the Worcester attack were:

-the Sept. 4 arson fire at a Walnut Creek, Calif., clinic that destroyed a third of the facility at an estimated cost of $270,000.

-a July 11 arson fire at a Redding, Calif., clinic. The fire occurred during the well-publicized local trial of anti-abortion activists who had blockaded the facility.

-July 31, at a clinic in Atlanta, a non-toxic but noxious chemical was poured through the air conditioning and ventilation system.

-in May, a Portland, Ore., clinic suffered $15,000 in damages to one of its examination rooms after someone poured gasoline through a window and ignited it.

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WELLESLEY, MA (SEPT. 24) UPI - Boston Celtics No. 1 draft pick Dee Brown is considering filing a civil suit against Wellesley police after being mistaken for a bank robbery suspect in the posh Boston suburb.

Brown, 21, was sitting in a car outside a post office in the Wellesley Hills section of the city 10 miles west of Boston Friday afternoon when he was surrounded by police, who ordered him to lie on the ground and held him at gunpoint. Police later apologized for the mistake.

Brown told The Boston Sunday Globe he is considering filing a civil suit against the police department in hopes of preventing a similar mistake from happening again. He said he wonders if the incident was more racially

motivated than a case of mistaken identity.

Alan Margolies, Brown's attorney, said the incident smacked of racism.

''I was looking at the photograph all last night. I couldn't sleep,'' Brown said. ''I kept asking, 'Does this look like me? Does this look like me?' It doesn't.''

''The police had a picture of the guy, a picture of the guy, not a drawing,'' he said. ''Where do you draw the line of it being a racial issue or a mistake?''

''All they had to base this whole thing on was a tall, skinny body and a black face,'' Brown said.

Police Chief John Fritts refused to release the photograph of the robbery suspect and defended the actions of the police department. He said the matter was under investigation and that the department hoped to meet with Brown and his fiancee.

The Wellesley Board of Selectmen and the police chief planned to appear at a public meeting Monday night to discuss the Brown incident. Brown said he would not be able to attend because he has to be in Dallas. However, he said he is eager to hear police explanations about why the mistook him for a bank robbery suspect.

Brown said six or seven police officers forced him to the ground, held him at gunpoint and told him to hold with his hands behind his back while passersby looked on in the post office parking lot.

''I'm trying to ask, 'What's going on? Why?' when they're screaming at me. I was in shock - terrified that it was happening to me,'' said the 6-foot-1-inch point guard from Jacksonville University in Florida.

''I was on the ground and turning my head and looking at people saying, 'There's another guy they got who did something,''' Brown said. ''But it wasn't me - not even close.''

Police said they mistook Brown for a suspect in the robbery of $1,800 from a branch of South Shore Bank on Tuesday. A police spokesman described the incident as ''a matter of misidentification and miscommunication.''

The police account differed slightly from Brown's, with officers saying they told Brown to kneel, a command they said was ''standard procedure'' in such cases.

''I just think they overreacted,'' said Brown's fiancee, Jill Edmonson. ''They didn't need to have seven cops all around us with guns pointing in our faces.''

Brown said he will drop plans to purchase a home in the suburb.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - The Los Angeles Times reports that Iraqi troops conducted secret exercises for at least two years before attacking Kuwait as part of a war plan designed to conquer the oil fields of eastern Saudi Arabia. The report says the U-S government used newly gathered intelligence to learn that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein drew up the plan as early as 1986. The report quotes knowledgeable officials as saying the Iraqi plan envisioned the the troops making a ''strategic pause'' in Kuwait before continuing south into Saudi Arabia. .

Jordan's King Hussein says he fears the world is stumbling toward ''a replay of 1914'' and a war that NO one wants... but cannot stop. The Jordanian monarch, writing in a British newspaper, says he's convinced a political solution to the Persian Gulf crisis could be found if the world community put as much effort toward that end as it is putting into military and economic confrontation. Still, says King Hussein- quote- ''I am stubborn enough to believe there is still a chance to prevent war. I refuse to concede that events cannot be brought under control.''

Demonstrators are expected out in front of the White House today as President Bush holds meeting with South African President de Klerk. The meetings represent the first U-S visit by a South African leader since 1945. The agenda is expected to center on ways of improving relations between the two countries.

A terrorist group headed by Abu Nidal says the four Belgian citizens it has held since 1987 are alive and well following battles earlier this month in a Palestinian refugee camp. Forces loyal to P-L-O Chairman Yasser Arafat crushed the Abu Nidal group after more than 30 hours of fierce battles that claimed at least 68 lives.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - Canadian auto workers are going back to their jobs at Ford of Canada following the weekend ratification of a new three-year contract. The vote ends a nine-day strike against Ford by members of the Canadian Auto Workers union. The contract includes wage hikes and a job security program. It will become the pattern for upcoming talks with General Motors and Chrysler operations in Canada.

Authorities say all four people aboard a small rented plane were killed when the aircraft crashed moments after taking off from a rural airstrip at Eliot, Maine, yesterday. The plane was being flown by Air Force Major James Henderson

the Third of Virginia Beach, Virginia... a crack F-16 pilot. Also killed were his wife and a Texas couple. The cause of the crash has NOT been determined.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $392.10, silver base of $4.84 and platinum price of $454.00:

	Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$408.40	405.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	209.50	208.20
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	107.60	106.90
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	44.40	44.20
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	408.40	405.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	209.60	208.20
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	108.10	107.10
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	44.60	44.20
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	415.00	412.50
China Panda .50 troy oz.	213.80	212.50
China Panda .25 troy oz.	110.90	110.20
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.90	47.60
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.60	28.40
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	408.50	406.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	208.80	207.50
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	105.40	104.80
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	45.10
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	407.00	404.20
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	210.60	209.20
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	108.10	107.30
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.10	45.60
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	406.90	404.10
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	209.20	207.80
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.70	88.10
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	46.40	46.10
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.60	23.90
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.24	$6.23
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,500	$3,480
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,525	$1,525

Platinum		
Australian Koala	476.00	476.00
Isle of Man Noble	465.00	467.00
Canada Maple Leaf	476.00	476.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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ALLENTOWN, PA (SEPT. 24) UPI - A Russian Orthodox priest convicted of drug charges used the trappings of his religion to conceal his illegal activities, a prosecutor said Monday.

The Rev. Jonrobert Deutsch, also known as Father Aleksandr, was convicted Friday in Common Pleas Court in southeastern Pennsylvania of possession of marijuana and cocaine with intent to deliver and conspiracy to sell the drugs.

''It's not a reflection on the church,'' Assistant District Attorney Peter Richards said of the case. ''It's just a reflection on this man, and this man has hidden behind the cross and used the cross to protect himself while conducting illegal acts.''

Deutsch, 37, was arrested along with his private secretary, Michael J. Kimmock of Whitehall Township in June 1989 outside his Copley home. Police found 13 ounces of marijuana and two bags of marijuana in Deutsch's car.

Kimmock, a co-defendant in the case, also was convicted Friday of possession of marijuana and conspiracy.

During the trial, prosecutors tried to portray Deutsch as a man of dubious character who cheated on his taxes and lied about attaining a high religious rank.

Deutsch tried to commit suicide a week after his arrest by injecting air into his bloodstream, and left a note attempting to exonerate Kimmock of any guilt in the case.

Richards said Deutsch was buying drugs while ministering to the Russian Orthodox congregations he served in Reading and Palmerton.

''He went to New York to buy this cocaine wearing his cassock and cross and priestly vestments,'' Richards said. ''How do you stop that?''

Richards said Deutsch apparently believed that he would be safer in the priestly garb if the drug transactions went sour.

Deutsch was suspended from his duties at St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church in Reading and St. George Russian Orthodox Church in Palmerton pending the outcome of the trial, Richards said.

He remains free on bond, but may be jailed later this week if he does not raise an additional $40,000 bail required when the judge raised that bond to $100,000 after the conviction, Richards said.

Deutsch, who mortgaged his house to post bond initially, has until Wednesday to raise the additional security, Richards said.

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FREETOWN, SIERRA LEONE (SEPT. 24) UPI - Liberian rebel Charles Taylor's plans to stage elections placed a tenuous cease-fire into doubt as the self-proclaimed Liberian president refused Monday even to acknowledge his main rival is alive.

Taylor, leader of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia, said he intends to hold elections for a national assembly Oct. 10. The elected assembly would meet Oct. 15 in the rebel-held town of Ganta.

In an interview with the British Broadcasting Corp., Taylor repeated his claim of being president of Liberia on the grounds that he controls 90 percent of the country.

Taylor said he would reserve seats on the assembly for followers of the rival rebel leader Prince Johnson, whose forces executed the late president Samuel Doe two weeks ago.

Taylor insisted that Johnson himself would have no role in government, insisting the rival rebel leader is dead.

Johnson is, however, alive, and controls much of the center of Monrovia.

He has been seen often by journalists since the last week of August when Taylor claimed his forces killed Johnson.

Taylor's continuing claims that he is president before an election is held put him on collision course with Johnson, who has repeatedly said that none of the warring factions should assume the presidency until elections are held.

Johnson has not yet commented on Taylor's electoral plans, although his previous statements suggest he will strongly object on the grounds that Taylor is unacceptable to him as a president without having been elected to the position. There also is a great deal of personal animosity between the two men.

Taylor's election plan also undermines the efforts of an interim government made up of exiled Liberians who are awaiting an opportunity to establish an administration in Monrovia. They will be protected by the five-nation West African peacekeeping force assembled by the Economic Community of West African States.

ECOWAS has become increasingly embroiled in the conflict since it arrived in Monrovia Aug. 24. Despite a cease-fire declared by Taylor Saturday, tension between Taylor and ECOWAS is increasing.

The rebel leader said Monday ECOWAS is party to the conflict and should leave. Nigeria and Ghana, whose troops form the largest part of the 4,000-strong peacekeeping force, sent 1,200 troops to Monrovia Sunday.

Members of the interim government met in Freetown Sunday, but refused to say whether they are intending to travel to Monrovia this week, as has been planned.

ECOWAS officials in Freetown said Taylor's intention of holding national assembly elections in three weeks was unrealistic. More than 400,000 people have fled Liberia and thousands of others have been displaced and not registered as voters where they are living, they said.

The cease-fire declared by Taylor was seen by diplomats in Freetown as an attempt by the rebel leader as to improve his image as a democrat. But by declaring elections that few if any of the exiled Liberian opposition parties will be ready to fight, he is being seen as attempting to secure a mandate by taking advantage of his superior postion within much of the country, senior diplomatic sources said.

''Do you really think that Taylor's suggestion is a practical one?'' one diplomat asked.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	76	53	....
Anchorage sy	50	34	....
Asheville sy	67	38	....
Atlanta sy	71	49	....
Baltimore sy	66	45	....
Billings sy	86	52	....
Birmingham sy	72	44	....
Bismarck w	86	45	....

Boston sy	66	52	....
Brownsville pc	85	69	.01
Buffalo pc	58	51	.02
Burlington Vt. cy	57	46	....
Charleston S.C. sy	75	51	....
Charlotte sy	69	45	....
Chicago pc	68	52	....
Cincinnati sy	65	44	....
Cleveland pc	63	49	.55
Columbus Ohio sy	63	45	.04
Dallas pc	77	57	....
Denver f	80	45	....
Des Moines sy	76	52	....
Detroit pc	67	45	.01
Duluth pc	75	50	....
El Paso ts	63	55	.31
Evansville sy	69	45	....
Fargo w	83	50	....
Hartford sy	64	44	....
Honolulu sy	88	73	.05
Houston f	83	55	....
Indianapolis sy	65	45	....
Jackson Miss. sy	77	51	....
Jacksonville sy	77	51	....
Kansas City sy	73	54	....
Las Vegas pc	86	62	.09
Little Rock sy	74	49	....
Los Angeles pc	80	63	....
Louisville sy	68	47	....
Memphis sy	73	51	....
Miami Beach pc	88	72	.60
Milwaukee sy	70	51	....
Minneapolis sy	77	54	....
Nashville sy	69	46	....
New Orleans sy	83	57	....
New York pc	65	55	....
Oklahoma City sy	78	58	....
Omaha sy	78	52	....
Orlando sy	83	61	....
Philadelphia sy	65	47	....
Phoenix sy	98	74	....
Pittsburgh pc	60	45	....
Portland Me. pc	64	41	....
Portland Ore. pc	77	54	....
Providence sy	66	47	....
Richmond sy	67	44	....
St. Louis sy	70	53	....
Salt Lake City sh	78	57	....

San Antonio cy	82	60	....
San Diego pc	75	66	....
San Francisco pc	69	57	....
San Juan pc	90	76	....
Seattle pc	69	53	....
Spokane sy	85	48	....
Tampa sy	81	60	....
Washington sy	67	50	....
Wichita sy	78	54	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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VIENNA (SEPT. 24) UPI - American Michael Chang made a courageous comeback after being down two sets to win the deciding singles match Monday in the Davis Cup semifinal against Austria.

Chang beat Austrian Horst Skoff, 3-6, 6-7 (4-7), 6-4, 6-4, 6-3, in a match which was resumed at the start of the fourth set after darkness caused a suspension of play Sunday.

The U.S. won the semifinal 3-2 and now meets Australia in the final of the Davis Cup in December.

When the match was restarted, Chang fought off two break chances by Skoff in the second game, and wound up holding with a superb cross-court forehand.

Several service breaks were exchanged by the two players in the fourth set, but it was Chang who emerged triumphant as he evened the match.

Chang, sensing a weakness in Skoff's backhand, was able to capitalize as he

notched repeated winners while Skoff became more flustered. The fifth set was little more than a formality as Chang took command with a break in the opening game.

A crowd of 15,000 Austrians, many absent from work, packed the Prater Stadium to lend a loud level of vocal support. It may have helped, but it was not enough for Skoff, who simply was outplayed by his younger and higher-ranked opponent.

''Michael beat me in the most important match of my career,'' said Skoff. ''I was 100 percent motivated but I was a little nervous today. Actually I think I lost the match yesterday. I should have won the third set and wrapped it up then.

''The court was very slow today and I believe that was worse for me and better for Chang,'' he said.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	51	11
Amsterdam r	1pm	56	13
Ankara c	3pm	84	29
Athens c	2pm	81	27
Auckland pc	12m	55	13
Beijing cy	8pm	65	18
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	54	12
Bonn pc	1pm	56	13
Brussels r	1pm	57	14
Cairo c	2pm	87	31
Casablanca cy	12n	77	25
Copenhagen r	1pm	54	12
Dakar c	12n	87	31
Dublin pc	1pm	56	13
Geneva c	1pm	56	14
Helsinki cy	2pm	45	07
Hong Kong r	8pm	83	28
Jerusalem c	2pm	79	26
Karachi	5pm	87	31
Lisbon cy	1pm	71	22
London pc	1pm	57	14
Madrid pc	1pm	72	22
Malta c	1pm	84	29

Manila cy	8pm	84	29
Moscow cy	3pm	46	08
Nairobi pc	3pm	77	25
Nassau c	7am	81	27
New Delhi c	6pm	92	34
Nice c	1pm	80	26
Oslo cy	1pm	47	09
Paris pc	1pm	60	15
Pretoria c	2pm	80	27
Riyadh	3pm	103	39
Rome pc	1pm	75	24
Seoul cy	9pm	67	20
Sofia c	2pm	82	28
Stockholm pc	1pm	49	09
Sydney c	10pm	64	18
Taipei pc	8pm	81	27
Tokyo c	9pm	78	25
Tunis c	1pm	98	37
Vienna r	1pm	58	14
Warsaw r	1pm	55	13

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	47	08
Caracas hz	8am	70	21
Havana c	7am	75	24
Lima r	7am	58	14
Mexico City hz	6am	56	13
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	64	18
Santiago c	8am	44	07

Canada

Calgary c		85	29
Edmonton c		83	28
Montreal cy		60	15
Ottawa cy		55	13
Regina c		82	28
Toronto cy		54	12
Vancouver c		71	21
Winnipeg c		71	21

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow

w-windy

-30- 2318
#90267u1030 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 24) UPI - Iraq's blitzkrieg invasion of neighboring Kuwait was NO spur of the moment thing. U-S intelligence sources report Saddam Hussein had his army working on secret exercises for at last two years on a plan to sweep through Kuwait on its way to the oil fields of eastern Saudi Arabia. .

France has rejected the weekend apology of Iraq for sending its troops into the residents of the French ambassador in Kuwait 10 days ago. The Paris government said it will be satisfied only when Iraq releases three people taken in the raid as well as all the hostages that Baghdad holds.

Assistant Senate Democratic leader Alan Cranston today became the first senator to announce he'll vote against Judge David Souter for the U-S Supreme Court. In a brief Senate speech, the California senator said- quote- ''I cannot support a nominee who refuses to acknowledge that a woman's right to choose to terminate a pregnancy is a fundamental right.''

The National Abortion Federation says instances of violence against abortion clinics this year are up after a two-year lull. There were seven incidents reported in 1988. In contrast, there have been 44 reports made this year. They include eight firebombing attacks on abortion clinics around the country.

Fall is officially here and the latest edition of the Old Farmer's Almanac predicts the coming winter will be a mean one. The forecasts are based on 11-year sunspot cycles and they predict a winter that will begin early and end late. There will be more cold and more snow than usual east of the Rockies.

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#90267u1039 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 24) UPI - NASA managers are meeting at the Kennedy Space Center today to go over plans to launch the shuttle Discovery around October 7th on a high-priority mission. Officials will be looking at the status of an Air Force Titan Continuing delays could cause problems for Discovery's launch.

The Cincinnati Contemporary Arts Center and its director went on trial today on obscenity charges for displaying photographs by Robert Mapplethorpe. Outside the courthouse, about 100 homosexual activists and censorship opponents marched and chanted, charging the indictment is motivated by homophobia.

In Norfolk, Virginia, a federal judge today ordered deadlocked jurors to try again to reach a verdict in the case of a Christian Broadcasting Network technician accused of interrupting soft-porn movies with religious messages.

The jury had sent the judge a note saying they couldn't decide whether Thomas Haynie was guilty or innocent of satellite piracy charges.

Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan says the government doesn't need more money to spend, it needs to more wisely spend the money it already has. His comments came during a weekend symposium in Tallahasee, Florida.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Helene Curtis Indus (2nd Q 8-31)	
$228,794,000	$187,531,000
$2,113,000 (.23)	$6,605,000 (.71)
New England Elec (8 Mos 8-31)	
$1,222,649,000	$1,085,108,000
$98,641,000 (1.55)	$88,683,000 (1.52)
Price Co (4th Q 8-2)	
$1,229,909,000	$1,239,527,000
$31,890,000 (.63)	$31,399,000 (.61)
Rite Aid Corp (2nd Q 9-1)	
$826,151,000	$768,892,000
a-$21,518,000 (.52)	$19,496,000 (.47)
a-Income from continuing operations.	
Tricare Inc (1st Q 8-31)	
a-$8,400,000	$4,800,000
$548,000 (.14)	$362,000 (.13)
a-Includes the results of Occucare aquired May 31.	

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Human blood was found on the clothes of a youth who ''admitted he stabbed'' a Utah tennis buff when he tried to defend his parents during a mugging on a subway platform, a prosecutor said Monday.

The alleged ringleader of a gang, Yull Gary Morales, 19, made written and videotaped confessions about the violence in Midtown Manhattan substation Sept. 2, said Assistant District Attorney Thomas Schiels.

''He admitted he stabbed Brian Watkins himself,'' Shiels said.

Some of his seven co-defendants also said Morales wielded the knife that killed Watkins, 22, who traveled to New York City with his family from Provo, Utah, to watch the U.S. Open Tennis Tournament.

The co-defendants also said Morales had the knife out before the robbery and had the weapon in his pants' pocket when he was arrested the following day, Schiels said at the arraignment in state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

Co-defendants also pegged Morales as the organizer of the mugging and said he wanted money to go dancing at Roseland Ballroom, Schiels said.

All eight youths pleaded innocent to second-degree murder, robbery and assault. All were ordered held without bail.

They were slated to return to court on Oct. 3 for a hearing before Justice Edwin Torres.

Outside court, Morales' lawyer, Joel Lutwin, said his client has ''already been convicted in the media'' and will have a tough time getting a fair trial in the highly publicized case.

''This case is going to try to the city of New York because we're going to see if we can get a fair and just trial despite the fact that my client has already been convicted in the media,'' Lutwin said.

If convicted, the suspects would face 25 years to life behind bars.

The death Sept. 2 of Watkins, who was visiting New York City with his family from Provo, Utah, to attend the U.S. Open, drew national attention.

It highlighted the plight of New Yorkers faced with increasing violence, both random and intentional and drew cries from city officials, including Mayor David Dinkins, who asked New Yorkers to reach out and help those being victimized by helping police to track down criminals.

City officials called the tragic attack an exception among visitors, however, pointing to some 20 million tourists who visit the Big Apple each year. The subway system is used by about 3.5 million riders a day.

Brian Watkins was the 18th person killed in the city's subway system this year.

The suspects include Morales, 19, who is called by the street-name ''Rockstar '' Anthony Anderson, 18, Emilo Fernandez, 17, Louis Fernando Montiero, 20, and Jonnie Hincapie, 18, all of Queens, Pascal Carpenter, 18, of Brentwood, N.Y., and Ricardo Nova, 18, and Ricardo Lopez, 18, whose addresses were still being determined.

Detectives said the youths attacked the family to get money to have a good time at Roseland, a dance hall near the midtown Manhattan subway station.

Family members, who identified the youths in line-ups, have returned to New York several times to speak out against the crime. They have promised to see the trial to the end.

One of the eight reputed street-gang members allegedly stabbed the young man in the heart after one attacker hit his mother in the face.

The incident happened on a subway platform after the family had taken a train from a tennis match in Queens.

During the attack, one mugger used a box cutter to slash the pocket of the victim's father, Sherman, 46, and grabbed $200 in a money clip. The victim and his brother, Todd, 25, were pursuing the attackers when Brian Watkins collaped on subway steps.

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#90267u1084 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

EAST BERLIN (SEPT. 24) UPI - East Germany formally pulled out of the Warsaw Pact Monday in advance of unification with West Germany next week.

Defense and Disarmament Minister Rainer Eppelmann and the Commander in Chief of the Warsaw Pact troops, Gen. Pyotr Luzhev, signed a document ending the participation of East German troops in the military alliance.

The East German army was the second largest army after the Soviet Union in the Warsaw Pact, which became the military counterpart to the Western allianceduring the Cold War.

East Germany's armed forces were estimated at 170,000 before last fall's ouster of the hardline Communist government, but their numbers dwindled to less that 100,000 in recent months.

About 50,000 East German troops are expected to be included in an all German army, which will have a maximum strength of 370,000 and be part of NATO. West German military officials are already training East German officers in their future duties for a united Germany. The unification date is set for Oct. 3.

The Warsaw Pact was founded in 1955 under the leadership of the Soviet Union following the rearmament of West Germany after World War II. Its military council was always headed by a Soviet commander in chief, who was in charge of all troop action in member states.

Initially, the Warsaw Pact had eight member states - Albania, Bulgaria,

Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Hungary, Poland, Romania and the Soviet Union. But recent improvements in East-West ties have prompted calls for the twoalliances to move away from Cold War doctrine and take on more political roles.

A Warsaw Pact reform commission has recommended that the military structure of the alliance be reduced by eliminating the joint military command system.

Czechoslovakia and Hungary have called for the transition of the Warsaw Pact to a political instrument for disarmament talks and negotiations with its Western counterpart.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 24) UPI - Grain and soybean futures were mostly lower at midmorning Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

The lack of widespread frost during the weekend and forecasts for favorable weather this week pressured the grain market.

Early reports indicated very little frost damage during the weekend, and what damage there was apparently had been factored into the market on Friday. Traders said there should be little impact on the corn and soybean crops.

The five-day outlook from the National Weather Service calls for normal temperatures and below-normal rainfall, which would be beneficial for corn and soybeans as they approach maturity.

Corn harvest activity is expected to pick up this week as the crop dries out.

One analyst said that while the strength in foreign currencies may provide underlying support for grain prices, the perfect weather outlook could be the stronger sentiment.

Wheat futures went against the trend, and prices were mixed after one hour of trading. The rally in crude oil futures was supportive, but gains were limited by an increase in wheat seeding in the Great Plains.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.25 off 3/4; Mar 2.34 1/4 off 1/2; May 2.40 1/4 off 1 1/4.

Soybeans Nov 6.09 3/4 off 1 3/4; Jan 6.24 1/2 off 1 3/4; Mar 6.38 1/2 off 1; May 6.47 off 1.

Wheat Dec 2.72 1/4 up 2; Mar 2.86 1/2 up 2 1/2; May 2.94 3/4 up 1 1/4.

Oats Dec 1.11 1/4 off 2; Mar 1.22 off 1 3/4; May 1.29 off 2.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - From prayers before high school football games in Alabama to state financial aid for parents of private school children in Wisconsin, Americans are testing the confused, uncertain limits of church-state separation.

A new survey released Monday by Americans United for Separation of Church and State, a group favoring strict separation of government and religion, found conflicting attitudes among the public on the volatile issue and a growing number of incidents in which the boundaries transgressed.

''Church-state relations are in turmoil,'' said Robert Maddox, executive director of Americans United. ''The Supreme Court is providing mixed guidance and seems less and less willing to uphold Thomas Jefferson's vision of a wall of separation between church and state.

''As a result, the types of problems we have seen in the states this year will only intensify,'' Maddox added.

The survey found a total of 192 church-state disputes between September 1989 and August 1990, with incidents in all but four states - Alaska, Delaware, Nevada and Wyoming. Last year, the group reported 118 incidents in just 38 states.

New York and California led the list, with 15 reported incidents. Florida followed with with 12, while Minnesota and Pennsylvania had 10 each.

Americans United divided the incidents into four categories: religion in the public schools; state endorsement of religion; public funding of religious organizations; and free exercise disputes.

Issues involving religion in the public schools were the most voluminous and widespread, with 60 incidents in 29 states, often reflecting the nearly 30-year-old drive to restore some form of state- sponosred religious observance to the public schools as well as the more recent effort by elements of the religious right wing to make ''creation science'' a part of the public school curriculum.

The conflict over church-state separation is evident in polls, according to Americans United. For example, when asked by pollsters what they think of separation of church and state, most Americans say the approve of the concept but polls also show consistently high numbers of Americans supporting such ideas as government involvement in school prayer and tax support of religious organizations.

''Clearly,'' the report said, ''many Americans have a poor understanding of the meaning of religious freedom and separation of church and state, and many do not value the freedom guaranteed to them in the First Amendment.

In pointing out the confusion caused by the Supreme Court, the study cited a pair of 1989 rulings in which the court allowed the display of a Jewish menorah and Christmas tree in front of a government building but disallowed a nativity scene creche at another government building just a block away.

Americans United said the ruling ''served only to further cloud the issue'' and it noted a host of disputes, ranging from questions about a cross atop an interfaith chapel at Arizona State University, the display of a menorah in Los Angeles' City Hall and pictures of Jesus in a federally subsidized Salvation Army emergency shelter in New Britain, Conn.

The conservative wing of the drive for educational reform is also having an impact on church-state relations as proponents of ''choice'' in mounting efforts for voucher systems or other plans that would allow parents to use tax money to send their children to private, often religious schools, rather than the public schools.

Americans United counted 44 incidents in 24 states, including California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, Oregon, and Washington, involving the ''choice'' drive.

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LONDON (SEPT. 24) UPI - Britain's trade deficit fell to $2.04 billion in August, the government reported, bringing relief to markets that had been braced for a mini-''Black Monday'' after an industry survey showed Britain was heading for a recession.

The figure, released Monday by the Central Statistical Office, was the lowest monthly deficit this year, and was sharply lower than the revised July figure of $3.16 billion.

The data was significantly better than expected, and showed the value of exports had risen 4.5 percent since July to $16.05 billion, while the value of imports fell 1.5 percent to $18.15 billion.

''I would guess the overall current account deficit is now on an improving trend, and the complete figure for the whole of 1990 could be something like 15 or 16 billion (pounds),'' ($28.5 billion to $30.4 billion) said Bill Martin chief economist for UBS Phillips and Drew.

The good news pleased both equity and foreign exchange markets, and turned trading screens from a sea of red in the early morning - due to the bad news in the Confederation of British Industry monthly trends report - to showing hopeful areas of blue.

The Financial Times 100 index quickly bounced partway back from its initial downturn to stand at 2015.3, a drop of just 10 points compared with 20 points lower earlier, and the pound was over two cents higher at $1.8805, compared with $1.8575 at the day's open.

The CBI, whose monthly trends report showed British industry tipping into recession, called on Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major to ease the pressure on firms and reduce British interest rates.

But the call was rejected by Major, who said the most important issue at present was to keep inflation down.

''I think it is clear that the economy is slowing down,'' Major told London's Channel 4 in Washington, where he is attending the Group of Seven meeting of major Western industrial nations. Britain is a member of the G-7, along with the United States, Japan, West Germany, France, Italy and Canada.

''Also, it's absolutely necessary for the economy to slow down if we're going to get inflation down. That is the objective of the policy, that is the main prize for all of us to aim at,'' he said.

According to the CBI, confidence among British manufacturers is at its lowest level in eight years, with high U.K. interest rates, currently at 15 percent, squeezing industry.

Of the companies surveyed, 30 percent predicted a fall in their output and said their order books were lower than normal.

''A recession is a situation where output is falling, and our survey has been showing for several months that output is expected to fall and that deceleration has intensified,'' said Andrew Sentance of the CBI.

The CBI report suggested the government should bring interest rates down and stop looking at the present 10.6 percent inflation rate, which shows what has happened in the past, and instead look to the future.

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#90267u1120 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (SEPT. 24) UPI - A university student poured gasoline over his body and set himself ablaze in the capital Monday, the third time in less than a week that a youth has attempted self-immolation to protest a controversial federal job quota program.

The incident came as a key political backer of Prime Minister V.P. Singh issued a blunt warning to the premier, saying the government was turning hope into despair and warning that it would be wrong to presume ''our support would continue forever.''

L.K. Advani, the leader of the Bharatiya Janata Party, has been instrumental in keeping Singh's 10-month-old National Front coalition in power. He could bring down the minority government by withdrawing the BJP's parliamentary support for the premier.

Advani made his remarks during a news conference in Ahmedabad while answering questions about the government's controversial decision to reserve 27 percent of all federal jobs for members of the so-called backward classes.

The government decision to implement the job quota system in August has caused widespread violence across the northern part of the country. Youths clash with police almost daily and stage protests, block streets, hurl stones and damage buses and trains.

A student in New Delhi doused himself Monday with gasoline from his own motorcycle and set himself ablaze in front of a hospital where of youths have been holding a vigil for another university student who attempted self-immolation, police said.

S.S. Chauhan, 24, received burns over 90 percent of his body because students had formed a ring around him and authorities had difficulty breaking through to extinguish the flames, police said.

Rajiv Goswami, who attempted self-immolation Wednesday, received burns on 55 percent of his body before police intervened and smothered the flames.

Chauhan was the third student to attempt self-immolation since Wednesday. The other student set himself ablaze at the same time as Goswami but received only minor burns. In northern Haryana state, a student committed suicide Saturday by eating poison, reportedly to protest the federal quota program.

Also Monday, police fired tear gas and clubbed protesters with batons to disperse demonstrations by students in New Delhi. The youths damaged about 50 public buses while protesting the job quota decision, the Press Trust of India reported.

High-caste youths oppose the job scheme because it will restrict their ability to enter government service. They also claim it will enshrine the caste system in law, increase government inefficiency and fail to improve the social condition of the underprivileged.

Proponents of job reservation say it will give lower-caste citizens, who

represent about 54 percent of India's 830 million people, a better opportunity to obtain government employment, which traditionally has been the domain of the upper castes.

Addressing reporters in Ahmedabad, 488 miles southwest of the capital, Advani warned that the decision to implement the job quota scheme had heightened caste tensions and urged the government to consult other parties about modifying the plan.

''The government has let the people down on various issues and the hopes that had been aroused in 1989 are turning to disillusionment,'' Advani said. ''We are watching the situation very carefully as we had supported the government essentially because the last mandate had been a mandate ... for change.''

''It would be a wrong presumption that our support would continue forever in spite of everything that the government keeps doing,'' he added. ''Our support cannot be taken for granted.''

Asked to compare Singh's government with the administration of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, Advani quipped: ''In the case of Rajiv Gandhi, it took two years for the cheers to turn into jeers. In the case of the present government, it has taken only nine months.''

''We are in office today because we have struggled for certain causes,'' the prime minister told workers of his Janata Dal Party in an emotional address Sunday in the southeastern city of Madras.

''We are committed to fulfill certain aspirations of the people with the support of friendly parties. It is our duty to fulfill them and not to stick to the office. Government is not our goal,'' the Press Trust of India quoted Singh as saying.

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#90267u1143 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Notre Dame (34) (2-0)	746	1
2.	Florida State (13) (3-0)	744	2
3.	Auburn (4) (2-0)	673	3
4.	Brigham Young (2) (4-0)	613	4
5.	Tennessee (3-0-1)	539	6
6.	Nebraska (1) (3-0)	531	7
7.	Michigan (1-1)	465	10
8.	Virginia (4-0)	429	9

9.	Miami (1-1)	411	8
10.	Texas A&M (3-0)	341	11
11.	Washington (3-0)	237	16
12.	Ohio State (2-0)	163	12
13.	Arizona (3-0)	105	14
14.	Southern Cal (2-1)	104	5
15.	Illinois (2-1)	96	17
16.	Colorado (2-1-1)	94	18
17.	Florida (3-0)	87	15
18.	Clemson (3-1)	43	19
19.	Fresno State (4-0)	18	21
20.	Michigan St. (0-1-1)	12	23
21.	(tie) Mississippi (2-1)	7	NR
21.	(tie) Arkansas (1-1)	7	13
23.	(tie) Wyoming (4-0)	5	NR
23.	(tie) Arizona State (2-0)	5	21
25.	Iowa (2-0)	3	NR

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: Penn State, South Carolina.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances and postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches.

Those schools are Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 24) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4- 1.03 1/4.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 80-83; large 76-82; medium 58-64.

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#90267u1166 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

SOWETO, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 24) UPI - Winnie Mandela, wife of black leader Nelson Mandela, was formally charged with assault and kidnapping Monday in connection with a case that involved the death of a 14-year-old boy and led to her demise as the ''mother of the nation.''

Mandela, 56, was not asked to plead during the hour-long hearing in a magistrates court and she remained free on her own recognizance pending the start of the trial before the Rand Supreme Court on Feb. 4, 1991.

Wearing a dark blue suit and white blouse, Mandela was accompanied by her 72-year-old husband, Nelson, and several dozen cheering loyalists when she arrived at the heavily guarded court in the sprawling black city.

More than a dozen uniformed policemen stood inside the courtroom.

Mrs. Mandela appeared calm and unshaken as she left her husband's side in the front row of the gallery and stepped into the dock to face four charges of assault and four of kidnapping, which carries a maximum penalty of death.

Nelson Mandela was stern-faced during the proceedings, occassionally referring to the charge sheet or touching his wife's hand when she sat next to him. The African National Congress leader has vowed to stand by his wife, noting she did the same for him during his 27 years' incarceration.

The ANC Monday noted Mrs. Mandela's court appearance in a brief statement to announce ''there will be no further comment.'' An ANC spokesman said, however, that Mrs. Mandela remained the head of the organization's social welfare department, a post to which she was appointed last month amid some controversy.

Mrs. Mandela will stand trial with two other women, including a 19- year-old who wore a school uniform to the hearing, and five men ranging in age from 17 to 61 years old.

Last week, when the attorney general announced Mrs. Mandela would face charges she said she welcomed the trial as a chance to ''clear my name.''

The case arises from the Dec. 29, 1988 abduction from a Methodist church hostel in Soweto of four youths who were taken to Mrs. mandela's home by members of the Mandela United Soccer Team, which doubled as her personal security guard.

According to state prosecutors, all four youths, including Joseph ''Stompie'' Moeketsi Seipei, were beaten by Mrs. Mandela and the seven other defendants after they were accused of having sexual relations with the white reverend.

Seipei was taken from the house three or four days later and murdered by the former ''Mandela United'' head Jerry Richardson, who was found guilty by a

court last month and sentenced to death.

Of the three other youths, one escaped from the Mandela house on Jan. 7 and two others were released on Jan. 16 during a community uproar over the incident that prompted leading anti-apartheid groups to call for Mrs. Mandela's repudiation.

According to the charge sheet, Mrs. Mandela and the others ''did unlawfully and intentionally assault (Seipei) by hitting him with open hands, clenched fists and a sjambok (whip), also by kicking him, by lifting him up and then dropping him to the floor, by trampling on him and by hitting him on his knees with intent to do grievous bodily harm.''

The prosecution listed 30 witnesses it intended to call, including the three youths who survived the abduction.

State prosecutor Chris van Vuuren sought to have the trial begin Oct. 30 in the ''public interest'' but magistrate T. F. Veldman accepted the arguments of Mrs. Mandela's attorney, Ismail Ayob, that he needed more time to prepare for the trial. He warned his client would suffer ''grave prejudice'' if the trial began next month.

Ayob also said Mrs. Mandela had prior overseas engagements with her husband in October at the long-standing ''invitation of a foreign government.''

Mrs. Mandela had long been known as a fierce anti-apartheid activist before her husband's release this year by President Frederik de Klerk. She was frequently detained by the government and served an eight- year banishment in the remote farming town of Brandfort.

Known as the ''mother of the nation'' for her consistent resistance to minority white rule, Mrs. Mandela's star began to fade in 1986 when she seemed to endorse gruesome ''necklace'' murders where victims were burned to death with gasoline-soaked tires around their necks.

The soccer team, meanwhile, became more troublesome in the community, its members accused in 1988 of molesting a school girl in an incident that prompted an arson attack on the Mandela residence.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - France is calling for Iraq to release three people taken from the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait two weeks ago. And Paris also is calling for the release of all ''unjustly held'' hostages in Iraq. All of this comes as Iraq issues an apology for invading the ambassadorial residence. It is an apology that France rejected even before seeing the official version.

The Soviet Parliament today gave President Gorbachev new powers. Deputies voted 277-41 with 52 abstentions on a law giving Gorbachev authority to begin a transition from 70 years of central planning to a market economy. Earlier today, the Supreme Soviet once again delayed adoption of a specific plan for the transition by ordering that two radically different plans be combined into one workable program by October 15th.

White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater has again said a presidential veto awaits any attempt to delay the October 1st deadline for Congress to come up with a budget compromise or face automatic budget cuts. And Fitzwater denies that administration support for a cut in capital gains taxes is the major stumbling block on reaching agreement over a new budget.

The first negative vote against the nomination of David Souter to the Supreme Court has been acknowledged on the Senate floor by California Democratic Senator Alan Cranston. The assistant Senate Democratic leader says he will vote against Souter because of concerns over his abortion views. Cranston has an abortion rights bill pending before the Senate.

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#90267u1172 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - In New York, eight youths pleaded innocent today to second-degree murder, robbery and assault charges in the stabbing death of a Utah tennis buff on a subway platform. Prosecutors say blood was found on the clothes of the alleged ringleader of the gang. Assistant District Attorney Thomas Schields says 19-year-old Yull Gary Morales ''admitted he stabbed'' 22-year-old Brian Watkins when Watkins tried to defend his parents during a mugging in the subway September 2nd.

Just who is running Liberia is still an open question. Rebel leader Charles Taylor says he does because his forces control 90 percent of the West African nation. And he says he'll hold national elections October 10th. But Taylor says rival leader Prince Johnson will have NO place in the government because Johnson is dead. That is news to journalists who have seen Johnson in the capital city, Monrovia.

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#90267u1174 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - Congressional auditors warned Monday a government agency's plans to sell the assets of failed savings and loans could be marred by fraud and corrpution.

Richard Bowsher, the Comptroller General of the United States, said the Resolution Trust Corp., has yet to develop a plan for its ''highly decentralized'' regional offices to monitor lawyers, accountants and others contracted to work on the deals.

He also said that the RTC is on a General Accounting Office list of federal agencies that present ''the biggest worries in terms of fraud, waste and abuse.''

''RTC has not set up a viable contract administration structure to effectively monitor the executions of its contracts,'' Bowsher reported in testimony to a Senate subcommittee on government affairs.

Citing an investigation by the GAO, he said, ''We found no detailed instructions, procedures or other guidance to help regional personnel monitor the activities of contractors.''

''RTC estimates that about 1,700 RTC employees will be involved in monitoring contract performance, and many of these individuals will be new to RTC and the government,'' he said. ''We believe more specific guidance will be necessary to ensure that contracts are monitored in a consistent and effective manner by RTC's decentralized organization.''

In testimony to the panel, John Adair, inspector general of the RTC agreed his agency's ''necessarily heavy reliance on private sector expertise makes it very susceptible to problems comparable to those encountered by other federal agencies.''

But Bowsher acknowledged that despite this lack of controls, the RTC ''has made progress'' in its effort to carefully dispose of the assets of failed thrifts, from shopping centers to office towers.

Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., chairman of the subcommittee, also expressed concern over the potential for fraud and corruption, noting that the RTC has asked for $800 million to pay contractor fees in fiscal 1992.

''The RTC is just a little over a year old and faces formidible obstacles in disposing of great quantities of assets,'' Pryor said.

''This makes it crucial for the RTC to have a contracting system which will weed out people or firms who were involved with failed thrifts, prevent contractors from arranging sweetheart deals with their old buddies, and ensure that the contracts are as low-cost and efficient as possible,'' he said.

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#90267u1179 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA (SEPT. 24) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 2,100; trading on slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, prices both classes steady to 50 lower than last Wednesday; slaughter cows and bulls near steady with Wednesday; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-4

1075-1350 lb 77.00-78.00, mostly 77.00-77.50, near 3 loads 78.25-78.50 select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 75.50- 77.00 select No 2-3 73.50-75.50;holsteins: choice No 2-3 few 1200-1350 lb 69.50-70.00 select and choice No 2-3 1150-1400 lb 68.00- 69.00; heifers choice No 2-4, 950-1200 lb 77.00- 78.00, mostly 77.00-77.50, 2 loads 78.50, select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 75.00-77.00, select No 2-3 72.50-75.00; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 few boning few 54.00, canner and low cutter few 48.00-54.00.

Hogs 2,100; butchers 50 to mostly 1.00 higher, No 1-3 220-260 lb 59.00-59.50, No 2-3 260-270 lb 58.50-59.00, 280-303 lb 55.50-57.25; sows 1-3 of run, under 500 lb steady to 50 higher, over 500 lb 1.50-2.00 higher, No 1-3 350-500 lb 47.50-48.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 50.00- 50.50.

Sheep 150; slaughter classes steady, shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-135 lb No 1-2 pelts 50.00-51.00, 110-120 lb 47.00-50.00; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-135 lb 48.00-49.00, 110-120 lb 45.00-48.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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#90267u1186 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

KHARTOUM, SUDAN (SEPT. 24) UPI - The Organization of African Unity warned Monday the so-called ''donor fatigue syndrome'' is endangering Africa's huge and growing refugee population.

Winding up a three-day session on the problem in the Sudanese capital Khartoum the OAU's 15-nation refugee committee issued a statement saying the refugee crisis ''has reached unmanageable proportions.''

It warned there was ''declining political will on the part of some of the traditional donors ... (resulting in) the tendency of funding life- saving and life-sustaining activities to the detriment of medium- and long-term development projects.''

It said donors from the developed world were tiring of helping refugees just as the problem was reaching a crisis point.

''We call upon the international community to redouble its efforts in providing both material and financial assistance as well as moral support to the OAU and its constituent member states,'' it said.

Africa has nearly three-quarters of the world's refugees and displaced persons according to the U.N. High Commission for Refugees. Estimates show about 6 million people across the continent have refugee status outside their own countries, while an estimated 12 million people are displaced within their own lands.

Most of the refugees are the product of wars, civil wars and resultant famines

in Angola, Chad, Ethiopia, Mozambique, Somalia, Sudan, Uganda and most recently Liberia.

One in five people of Liberia's 2.5 million population has fled the country this year because of the brutal civil war raging there.

The OAU committee headed by Ethiopian Yalmi Tadessa concluded its talks by issuing a six-page ''Khartoum Declaration on Africa's Refugee Crisis,'' intended as a working document for the UNHCR, which meets in emergency session in Geneva next week.

The 51-nation OAU is a cooperative body for mutual African development set up in 1963.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Eastover Corp	Q	.25	10-24	10-5
Ohio Art Co	Q	.06	11-5	10-9
Parkvale Fncl	Q	.10	10-25	10-1
Parkway co	Q	.20	11-14	11-2
Progroup Inc	Q	.05	10-25	10-4
EastGroup Prop	Q	.50	10-17	10-5
First Boston Inco	M	.07 1/2	10-15	10-1
First Boston Strat	M	.10	10-15	10-1
Galaxy Cablevision	Q	.35	11-14	9-30
Rodney Square Gwth	..	.02 1/2	9-28	9-24
Stratton Monthly Div	M	.16	10-9	9-28

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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#90267u1203 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - Members of Carol DiMaiti Stuart's family said Monday they are distressed about a network television movie to be aired Tuesday night about her murder, a bizarre case that captured national attention a year ago.

''We are distressed that CBS is broadcasting a made-for-tv movie about Carol's tragic death at this time,'' the family said in a statement.

''It is very disturbing to us that a made-for-tv movie about our daughter and sister's life and death can be made without our consent or participation, and

that such a movie is being broadcast while there is still a sitting grand jury before anyone, even our family, knows the outcome of the criminal investigation.''

Carol DiMaiti Stuart was shot to death Oct. 23 after she and her husband Charles left a hospital birthing class. Her husband, also shot, called the police 911 emergency number over his car phone and later told ambulance attendants a black gunman had done the shooting. His son, born by Caesarean section just before his wife died, also died 17 days later.

Charles Stuart committed suicide Jan. 4 as police sought to arrest him for the slaying.

A movie about the bizarre murder case - ''Good Night, Sweet Wife: A Murder in Boston'' - will have its broadcast premiere Tuesday night.

''This movie sets a dangerous precedent for any innocent individual or family whose life is touched by tragedy to lose all rights to privacy - not simply legitimate news accounts, but to those who utilize the story for entertainment and profit,'' the statement said.

The DiMaiti family urged those who will profit from the production, including advertisers, ''to donate a substantial portion of the proceeds to the Carol DiMaiti Stuart Foundation.''

The foundation was founded by the family to provide scholarships in her memory in an effort to heal racial wounds opened in Boston's Mission Hill neighborhood where the killing took place.

Thirty-three area residents have already been named as recipients of scholarships from the fund.

The DiMaiti family said it understood there would be renewed media interest in the case as its first-year anniversary approaches, but said it hoped the privacy of family members would be respected.

''It has been particularly painful for us to have to endure our grief in the public eye,'' the family said in the statement. ''The broadcast of this movie with the upcoming anniversary of Carol's death and a lack of resolution in the courts makes this time especially difficult for us.''

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#90267u1209 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - American troops in Saudi Arabia, fighting to beat the boredom of long, hot desert days, soon may have at least one comfort of home - television.

Plans are being laid to bring news, sports and entertainment shows to troops taking part in Operation Desert Shield, and the U.S. military is ironing out final details with Saudi authorities, said Lt. Col. David MacNamee of the Armed Forces Radio and Television Service.

The programming will be an extension of the non-commercial TV already broadcast to U.S. troops stationed in Germany, South Korea and the Philippines he said.

''We're trying to get it on as soon as we can,'' MacNamee said. ''As soon as we get the programs and the equipment in and get approval, we'll be up and on the air.''

The most daunting task is moving equipment, especially TV sets, to the Persian Gulf area. A thousand sets are waiting to be shipped from a Sacramento, Calif. depot, MacNamee said.

Also waiting to be airlifted into the Middle East are vans to be used to produce local programming, such as weather reports, or to air information specific to troops in Saudi Arabia, MacNamee said.

Only one van has been shipped to Saudi Arabia so far, he said.

''Physically getting things into the country right now is our biggest interest '' MacNamee said. ''We're waiting our turn in line to get things over there and set them up.''

The first priority was to establish radio broadcasts, which began last week, he said.

''Radio is a lot simpler,'' he said. ''You can hand out thousands of hand-held pocket radios. Televisions are a little more difficult.

''Of course, everyone would like to see the World Series and NFL games on television,'' he added.

Television shows broadcast to U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia will be similar to those going to U.S. armed forces elswhere, despite the deep cultural differences with Saudis on such issues as alcohol consumption and women's rights, he said.

The shows include prime-time situation comedies, ''The Today Show'' and soap operas, he said.

Several American shows already are broadcast on Saudi television, and Armed Forces television does not run the type of 'R-rated' programming such as that shown on some American cable stations, he noted.

''What we produce is the things you see on normal channels at night,'' he said. ''Most of that wouldn't be a significant problem over there.''

Besides, he added, North American and Saudi television sets are not technically compatible, meaning few Saudis would be privy to what is broadcast he said.

Signals for shows viewed by U.S. troops overseas are sent by satellite from facilities in Southern California, MacNamee said.

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#90267u1217 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (SEPT. 24) UPI - From the exotic deserts of Rajasthan to the dense jungles of Assam, mothers with yowling youngsters are lining up at clinics and makeshift camps to immunize their babies to polio, diphtheria and measles.

The youngsters are part of a program to innoculate every child in the country under the age of 12 months by the end of 1990, and Indian health officials say they are racing to meet the goal. India has about 25 million infants under a year of age in its population of 830 million people.

''We will come very close,'' Dr. Sobhan Sarkar, an assistant commissioner in the Indian Health Ministry. ''Maybe we will fall short on the measles and tetanus, but this will be just marginal.''

The immunization program is particularly important in reducing the death rate among newborn children. Indian has one of the world's highest infant mortality rates, 96 per 1,000 births.

The immunization program already has dramatically reduced the polio death rate in India, which still accounts for a large percentage of the world's polio cases. The number of polio cases reported among children from birth to 12 months in 1987 was 28,250, compared with 10,336 in 1989.

Measles cases in the same age group dropped from 233,981 in 1987 to 144,395 in 1989 and diphtheria cases declined from 12,924 to 8,459 in the same period.

''I am a clinician by training, not a public health man,'' Sarkar said. ''But if I can reduce polio cases by just two each day, I've earned my day's bread.''

Implementing the immunization program has not been easy. In a country where only 40 percent of the people can be reached by television, informing parents about the importance of immunization has been a problem.

And Sarkar says communication is the key to the program's success. ''If we build a castle but have no one to use it, what good is it?'' he asked.

Health officials have used graffiti and wall paintings in some areas to communicate their message, but Sarkar said the most effective way to reach parents is to send a person to talk to them, a project that has been undertaken by volunteers.

Another problem faced by health officials has been the delivery of temperature-sensitive vaccines to remote areas of the country where refrigerators are often not available, and even when they are, power failures frequently render them useless.

In India's summer heat, which often rises above 110 degrees Farenheit, the vaccines would quickly spoil without refrigeration, so officials designed a low-tech system to maintain the quality of the vaccines.

''The cold chain is actually very beautifully planned,'' Sarkar said.

Vaccines are distributed to regional storage points where refrigeration and electrical supplies are assured. On vaccination days in remote villages, the vaccines are dispatched in specially made polyeurathane containers packed in ice.

The so-called cold boxes can maintain the vaccines at cool temperatures for three days. The beauty of the system, health officials said, is that it takes into account the uncertainty and inefficiency of Indian life rather than requiring an unrealistic change of habits.

Such planning has helped push the program very near its goal of immunizing all pregnant mothers for tetanus and all children under 12 months of age for measles, diphtheria, polio and other common diseases.

But while the goal is near, authorities say they may still fall short in some areas. As a result, health officials have scheduled three ''mopping-up'' days between now and the end of the year in a bid to reach as many people as possible before the deadline expires.

On those days, volunteers from organizations such as Rotary clubs will identify and bring children from their areas to clinics and makeshift camps around the to have their injections.

But regardless of whether health officials meet their targets, the immunization program has been a success.

''This program to me has become a religion,'' said Sarkar. ''It's really a very solid program and if we can continue the effort we can really have an impact.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Notre Dame's fantastic finishes aren't impressing those who vote in the United Press International college football ratings.

Two close victories in as many games this season have taken some of the luster off the Golden Dome, with the Irish finishing only two points ahead of No. 2 Florida State in Sunday's balloting by the UPI Board of Coaches.

Notre Dame received 34 of 54 first-place votes from the 59-member board and finished with 746 points. The Seminoles were at the top of 13 ballots and wound up with 744 points.

''We're really not even a top 10 football team at this point,'' Notre Dame Coach Lou Holtz said. ''I've said that all along. I don't worry about any polls or bowls, I just worry about making us a better football team.''

The Irish struggled against Michigan and Michigan State, both times pulling out victories in the final two minutes. Last Saturday against Michigan State, Notre Dame needed two touchdowns in the final quarter for a 20-19 victory. Rodney Culver scored the winning touchdown on a 1- yard run with 34 seconds left.

Meanwhile, Florida State has rolled past East Carolina, Georgia Southern and Tulane, winning by an average margin of 27 points.

''Our opposition has not been like Notre Dame's,'' Florida State Coach Bobby Bowden said. ''(Notre Dame) came back miraculously in both their games. We just beat teams we were favored over and did what the spread said we would do.''

Auburn received four first-place votes to remain third, while No. 4 Brigham Young was at the top of two ballots after its 42-34 victory over San Diego State.

Idle Tennessee moved up one spot to fifth in the wake of Southern Cal's loss to Washington, and No. 6 Nebraska received the final first- place vote in advancing one place.

No. 7 Michigan rebounded three places after a 38-15 victory over UCLA, while No. 8 Virginia and No. 9 Miami exchanged places. Texas A&M broke into the top 10 following a 40-8 triumph over North Texas.

No. 11 Washington advanced five places after its 31-0 whitewashing of Southern Cal, while Ohio State stayed at No. 12. No. 13 Arizona moved up one place and No. 14 Southern Cal took a nine-position fall after being shut out for the first time since 1985.

No. 15 Illinois and No. 16 Colorado advanced two places, and No. 17 Florida dropped two spots despite beating Furman 27-3. No. 18 Clemson moved up one place.

No. 19 Fresno State cracked the top 20 for the first time since 1986, and No. 20 Michigan State advanced three places despite having yet to win.

Mississippi, which upset Arkansas 21-17, broke into the ratings and wound up tied for 21st with the Razorbacks. There also was a tie for 23rd between Arizona State and newcomer Wyoming. No. 25 Iowa also cracked the poll for the first time this season.

Falling out of the ratings were Texas, Oregon and Syracuse.

No. 17 Florida, banned last week by the NCAA from postseason play, remains eligible for the ratings while the school considers whether to appeal the ruling.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - Clarence Brandley has gone from death row to the pulpit.

Brandley, 38, made his public preaching debut Sunday night at his family's Baptist church.

Brandley was released from death row after nine years Jan. 23 on $75,000 bond after the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals reversed his 1980 murder conviction.

''God will answer your prayers but you have to have faith and believe that God will answer those prayers,'' Brandley, 38, said during his sermon at Creston Missionary Baptist Church, where he received a standing ovation. ''You need one more thing, too, and that's patience.''

Before the church service, Brandley told reporters his decision to enter the ministry was made in prison several years ago.

''It was like a vision,'' Brandley said. ''His voice was calling out to me. It happened three nights in a row. That's when I knew that God had a plan for me. He has really blessed me.''

Brandley was convicted of capital murder in the rape and strangulation of Cheryl Dee Fergusen, 16, a manager for the Bellville volleyball team. She was killed while attending a volleyball tournament at Conroe High School where Brandley was a janitor.

In its reversal, the appeals court cited racial discrimination and

intimidation tactics on the part of investigators. Brandley and his supporters always claimed he was innocent although prosecutors insisted they convicted the right man.

No re-trial is planned in Brandley's case but the Supreme Court could choose to review the case next month.

Since his release from prison, Brandley said he returned to school to become an electrician and has been invited to speak in about 25 churches.

He wore a white suit, white shirt and blue striped tie as he faced more than 100 churchgoers Sunday amid the glare of television lights and newspaper camera flashes.

Brandley preached on prayer from Acts 12:5: ''So Peter was kept in prison but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church.''

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#90267u1261 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

WITH U.S. FORCES IN SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 24) UPI - Capt. Cynthia Mosley thinks the battle of the sexes has been resolved without winners or losers in her tent, where men and women soldiers sleep together but still respect privacy and observe strict military rules forbidding intimate relations.

''At the moment we are all sharing it until we get another tent,'' said Mosley 29, of Mobile, Ala., standing inside the billowing camouflaged structure, in which eight men and three women live, work and rest.

''My soldiers, they are close, but we don't have any problems,'' she said, explaining that all are obliged to wear clothes when they sleep on individual cots. ''They conduct themselves in an orderly fashion.''

The army forbids ''fraternization'' between its enlisted personnel because of the possible complications romance could ignite in a war situation, and always tries to keep living quarters segregated.

During a visit Monday to the 24th support battalion, various men and women interviewed said the tricky meld between the sexes had largely been resolved in the forward base, which has 84 women among its 380 personnel employed in providing supplies and logistics for frontline U.S. armored positions.

Male soldiers when approaching tents announced their arrival before entering, and female troopers - dressed in full combat gear and armed with M-16 assault rifles - said their privacy was respected.

The higher proportions of women compared to other units, which if combatant must be strictly male, required the military to have some flexibility should

love blossom.

Romance is forbidden between people in the same unit, and any would- be lovers are obliged to confess to their superiors, who will then if possible, transfer one of the couple to another unit.

''It only becomes a problem if they are in the same rating chain or section,'' explained Sgt. Maj. Steve Carney, who said during his 23 years of service the army had developed from an all-male institution to one that now largely accepts women. ''If the mission permits, I will try and get him or her transferred to another section, but the problem has only arisen once or twice.''

The army frowns on any liasons between the officers and the ranks because it does not wish to see authority undermined.

The base was set in a bleak stretch of desert behind American and Arab lines assembled against Iraqi troops in Kuwait, some 100 miles distant, and several soldiers said the inclusion of a large number of women was not even an issue.

''Romance? Here?,'' asked an incredulous Spec. Saul Urdiales, 24, of San Antonio, Tex. ''You don't have nowhere romantic to go.''

But some men had an evident paternal feeling towards their female comrades, a factor that has concerned analysts who believe men may neglect their duty in life-threatening situations because of natural instincts of protecting women.

''Whenever we do something, we do it together,'' said Urdiales, whose ''buddy '' or assigned partner, is a woman.

''If anything happens, I have to keep her alive,'' he said. ''Before we came, I spoke to her parents, and I told them I would take care of her out here.''

But Urdiales' buddy, Pvt. Michelle Komo, 20, of Fulton, Mass., believed she was more than treated as an equal.

''The guys around here won't let me get lazy,'' said Komo, wearing a kevlar-fortified helmet. ''we do all the same jobs. I fill sandbags, dig holes. Real fun stuff.''

The women soldiers said their main problems had occurred in minimal contacts with Saudi men, who are not used to seeing females in the workplace.

Mosley said Saudi truck drivers had refused to take orders from her when she had been instructed to lead a convoy, and that the U.S. military had bowed to local custom and replaced her with a man.

''That was devastating ... shocking,'' she said. ''(Saudi men) seem to have

realized now that we are here to stay and are getting used to us. But I don't think it will have any major impact on their society.''

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PRINCETON, NJ (SEPT. 24) UPI - Spurred by record tobacco exports, the U.S. tobacco industry recorded a 1990 first-half trade surplus of $2.49 billion, up 28 percent from $1.94 billion a year earlier, the Tobacco Merchants Association said Monday.

By comparison, the country's total merchandise trade deficit for the first six months of 1990 amounted to more than $41.1 billion.

The tobacco surplus was led by product exports valued at $2.19 billion, including shipments of more than 73.7 billion cigarettes valued at $2 billion, the association said. During the period, the United States imported $59 million worth of finished tobacco products.

Belgium and Japan were the leading markets for American-made cigarettes, accounting for 29.4 percent and 28.7 percent, respectively. Other major destinations for U.S. cigarettes include Hong Kong, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Korea and Taiwan.

The recent lowering of trade barriers by a number of government-owned and operated monopolies is contributing to a bright outlook for U.S. leaf tobacco farmers, said Thomas C. Slane, the association's vice president of economic programs.

When U.S. cigarettes enter a foreign market, domestic producers are often forced to improve the quality of their products to compete with U.S. brands, he said. This requires them to buy higher quality leaf including U.S. leaf.

''We are just now beginning to see some of the gains which will be made by U.S. leaf tobacco farmers as they broaden their share of the consumers markets in these countries,'' he said.

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#90267u1267 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - Turkish President Turgut Ozal said Monday the embargo against Iraq will almost certainly solve the gulf crisis and that threats of war by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein are rhetoric.

Asked if Turkey would commit its 800,000-man army to military action against Iraq, Ozal, who is in the United States to meet with President Bush on Tuesday said on the Cable News Network ''90 percent to 95 percent of the situation can be solved through embargo.''

He called recent Iraqi war threats an ''exaggeration'' that proves the economic embargo is working. ''The effect of the embargo is working, '' he said. ''Otherwise they don't put out such a (warlike) statement. It's rhetoric.

''In the newspapers they say (Iraq) has so big an army,'' Ozal said. ''And I don't believe it. That they have so many missiles. And gas. And they talk about biological and nuclear (weapons). But I don't believe it. It's too much exaggeration, in my opinion.

''But it may be true. You have to act with caution.

''The war is a dangerous thing,'' he said. ''I accept it as a last resort, if it has to be.''

Ozal denied he is seeking U.S. aid, saying that since a 1985 visit with President Reagan, Turkey has sought ''trade not aid.''

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MIAMI (SEPT. 24) UPI - A tropical depression strengthened into Tropical Storm Josephine in the open Atlantic Monday but forecasters predicted it would pose little threat to land.

At noon EDT, Josephine was centered near latitude 19.7 north, longitude 34.2 west, or about 725 miles west-northwest of the Cape Verde Islands.

The storm was drifting north-northwest near 3 mph and forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami predicted it would continue that motion for the next 24 hours. That course would keep it well away from land, with virtually nothing in its path all the way to Greenland.

Josephine was upgraded to a minimal tropical storm at noon Monday when satellite photos indicated its sustained winds had reached 40 mph, just one mph over the tropical storm threshold. Forecasters said little change in strength was likely Monday.

Tropical storm-force winds extended up to 145 miles to the north and 60 miles south of the center.

Josephine is the 10th named storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30.

It grew from a tropical depression, No. 12, that forecasters had been monitoring since late last week.

Another system, tropical depression No. 11, dissipated Sunday east- northeast

of the Leeward Islands.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - Jordan's King Hussein says he'll continue his efforts to keep the hounds of war away from the Mideast. The monarch, writing in the British publication The Guardian, says such a conflict would only create the very instability it is designed to prevent. And he fears the results will only be a replay of 1914 when the world was slowly pulled into the horror that became World War One.

Improvements in relations with South Africa were high on the agenda this morning as President Bush held meetings at the White House with South African President de Klerk. Bush already has said the reforms enacted by de Klerk in the past year have put South Africa on the long road to democratic rule. Relations between the two countries have been less than cordial because of South Africa's official policy of racial separation.

Formal charges of assault and kidnapping have been lodged by South African prosecutors against Winnie Mandela, wife of black leader Nelson Mandela. She was NOT asked to enter any plea during the hour-long court proceedings, and she remains free under her own recognizance. A trial date for Mrs. Mandela has been set for February 4th. The charges concern the 1988 abduction of four black youths. One later died.

East Germany formally pulled out of the Warsaw Pact today. The move comes ahead of unification with West Germany next week. The East German Defense and Disarmament minister and the Commander in Chief of the Warsaw Pact troops signed a document ending the participation of East German troops in the military alliance. The East German army was the second largest in the Warsaw Pact, after the Soviet Union.

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#90267u1299 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

SOWETO, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 24) UPI - Residents of Soweto ended a 5-year-old rent and utilities boycott in the nation's largest black township Monday, but a police crackdown on violence threatened to ruin the accord and the prospects of other townships following suit.

Provincial officials, local authorities and civic leaders signed an accord sealing the deal for Soweto's 2 million residents to begin making rent and utility payments again in exchange for having arrears equal to $200 million written off.

The rent boycott, which began in 1985 as a protest over grim living conditions in townships in the industrial belt surrounding Johannesburg and satellite

cities, eventually engulfed 50 townships and as many as 45 are still refusing payments.

In Soweto, following more than a year of negotiations, civic leaders last month agreed to call off the boycott, a decision government officials hoped would convince other townships to do the same after piling up a total debt of more than $778 million.

In a growing sign of the impatience of local authorities in recent weeks, at least three townships have had electricity and water cut.

The Soweto accord showed signs of strain within minutes of its signing. The representative of a key party to the agreement, the Soweto People's Delegation blasted the government's security clampdown.

The military-style security measures were imposed a week ago in Soweto and other townships to crush a wave of urban black violence that has left nearly 800 people dead. Security forces are scheduled to impose a 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. curfew from Tuesday in a move the African National Congress denounced as ''a license to the police to hunt people as if they are game.''

''It must be said that the residents are under threat,'' said SPD delegate leader Patrick Lephonya.

''We are not saying the curfew will definitely destroy this agreement, but it can very easily do so... the residents will decide if they want to resume the boycott as a result.''

Lephonya said the SPD, one of five organizations which signed the accord, ''agrees wholeheartedly with the ANC's sentiments on this issue.'' He noted his group ''can not be regarded as friends with the others just because we have all signed.''

Other signatories are the Transvaal Provincial Administration, and the city councils of Soweto and its satellite towns of Diepmeadow and Dobsonville.

The councils are government-constituted, and are regarded as puppet groups by the SPD and other anti-apartheid bodies.

Other councils of boycotting townships have either not been able to convince residents to pay or have agreed with the strategy.

Township residents claim the services they receive are often not worth the payments required and are sometimes administered by officials insensitive to the needs of poverty-stricken residents.

But Planning and Provincial Affairs Minister Hernus Kriel said last month that regardless of the arguments against payment, the government could no longer

finance utilities hit by the boycott and would stop paying for services provided.

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (SEPT. 24) UPI - Florida's attorney general sued five chlorine repackagers and a distributor Monday, claiming they rigged bids in order to charge inflated prices to 117 cities, counties and water authorities.

In a civil anti-trust complaint filed in U.S. District Court, Attorney General Bob Butterworth sought to triple the damages to be determined by a jury, plus civil penalties of $1 million per violation.

He alleged that the companies conspired to rig contract bids on the sale of repackaged chlorine used to treat water, wastewater and swimming pools. Repackaged chlorine is purchased from manufacturers in tank car quantities, then packed in containers for resale.

Butterworth estimated the alleged scheme cost the government entities at least $1 million in overcharges in 1979 and 1980, and from 1983 to 1988.

The antitrust suit was filed against Jones Chemicals Inc. of LeRoy, N.Y.; Harcross Chemicals Inc. of Kansas City, Kan.; Van Waters & Rogers Inc. of Seattle; Allied Universal Corp. of Miami; P.B. & S. Chemical Co. of Henderson, Ky.; and Jeffrey L. Champagne, doing business as Chemicals Inc., of Ozone, Fla.

Butterworth said unidentified co-conspirators may be added to the complaint as the investigation continues.

He said the defendants submitted complementary, non-competitive bids on government contracts as a means of dividing the contracts among themselves. As a result, the governments paid inflated prices on the approximately 20,000 tons of repackaged chlorine they purchased annually, the official said.

Butterworth noted that the price of repackaged chlorine had dropped from $375 a ton to about $140 per ton since the attorney general's investigation began in August 1988.

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#90267u1306 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - A third student in India set himself afire to protest a controversial program that reserves more jobs for lower-caste Indians who have been kept from the positions in the past. The latest incident occurred in front of a New Delhi hospital. The youth suffered burns on 90 percent of his body. High-caste Indian youths have demonstrated against the jobs program, saying the quotas will only keep them from getting the jobs they deserve.

Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami are keeping their eyes on a tropical storm centered about 725 miles northwest of the Cape Verde Islands. Tropical Storm Josephine is drifting toward the north-northwest at nearly three miles an hour with winds near 40 miles an hour. Forecasters say little change in strength is likely during the next 24 hours.

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#90267u1314 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 24) UPI - A group of Egyptian doctors who recently returned from Kuwait said Monday the occupied emirate's health system is in tatters after the Iraqi invasion and reported Iraqi soldiers who self-inflicted wounds to avoid combat.

The six Egyptian doctors also told reporters at a Kuwaiti-organized news conference that some American and British doctors remain in Kuwait but are in hiding, changing their hiding places regularly to avoid capture by Iraqi troops and detention as hostages.

''Most American and British doctors have already left Kuwait following the Iraqi invasion,'' said Dr. Farid Ghezawi, an allergy specialist. ''But a number of Western doctors are still hiding and changing their places on a daily basis.''

One Egyptian doctor at Kuwait's El Addan hospital said he helped treat about 200 Iraqi soldiers, many of whom were suffering from self- inflicted wounds.

''About 200 Iraqi soldiers, including a number of Iraqi Kurds, were admitted to the hospital over a period of three weeks after the invasion,'' said Dr. Mohammed Lutfi.

''A number of these soldiers injured themselves on purpose hoping to be discharged from service,'' Lufti said. ''Most of these Kurds are not trained and some of them were injured as a result of being unable to use the weapons at their disposal.''

Another doctor said Iraqi troops threw terminal patients out of intensive care units and removed new-born babies from incubators, leaving them to die.

''The Iraqi soldiers entered the hospital and removed terminal patients from their wards, even removing new-born babies from incubators and leaving them to die,'' said Dr. Yehia Mohamed Ahmed, who worked as an anaesthetist at Kuwait's El Jahra general hospital.

''Priority is given to the Iraqi soldiers but operations at the hospital have now stopped,'' Ghezawi said. ''Even cancer patients were taken out of the hospital and most of them died as a result.''

''We were working without any guarantees the Iraqi soldiers would not attack us, and some doctors were attacked,'' said Dr. Ibrahim el Siyyad, an Egyptian dermatologist.

''Mentally-retarded children and patients receiving psychiatric treatment at one of the hospitals were deprived of food and handicapped patients were thrown out,'' El Siyyad said. ''Even pregnant Kuwaiti women were not admitted to hospitals to deliver their babies.''

Ahmed said Iraqi troops wanted to use the hospitals as army barracks and transport advanced equipment to Iraq.

''The Iraqis wanted to use the hospital as a barracks and remove advanced medical equipment to Iraq,'' Ahmed told reporters. ''They stole the food of the patients and these people are dying from lack of food, not because of a shortage of medicine.''

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#90267u1328 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - As the last American evacuees headed to their homes in the United States, the State Department said Monday that some 1,000 Americans, including 69 with serious medical problems, remain in Iraq and Kuwait against their will.

According to the State Department's count, over 1,900 U.S. citizens and dependents - mainly women and children - were evacuated to the United States by chartered flights. That included 100 on the last planned charter, which arrived in the United States late Sunday.

Left behind, according to the U.S. estimates, are 600 to 700 Americans in Kuwait and another 300 to 350 in Iraq. The total figure includes more than 50 U.S. diplomats, mainly in Baghdad.

The total also includes at least 93 American men known to have been rounded up by Iraqi authorities. One was picked up Saturday by the Iraqis as he tried to board the last evacuation flight in Kuwait. The detainees are now being held at unknown locations, presumably as human shields around potential military and industrial targets in Kuwait and Iraq.

The list also includes 69 men known to have serious medical problems, the State Department said. None of those 69 was allowed to leave, despite protests from the U.S. government. At least one of those 69 people is among the 93 men rounded up by Iraqi authorities, the State Department said.

Most of the remaining American men, according State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler are in hiding from Iraqi authorities. She refused to say how

many of the approximately 1,000 remaining Americans are males, in order not to give the Iraqi authorities any help in rounding them up. Some of the Americans left behind are known to be women who chose not to leave without their husbands.

At the time of the Iraqi invasion, there were thought to have been about 3,000 Americans in Kuwait and another 580 in Iraq, or a total of about 3,580.

Of those, according to the State Department, 1,900 were evacuated aboard charter flights, with another approximately 1,000 people remaining in Iraq and Kuwait.

Those totals would suggest that almost 700 Americans managed to make their way out of Kuwait via the hazardous overland route to Saudi Arbia, through Iraqi lines.

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BEIJING (SEPT. 24) UPI - Freewheeling Asian Games athletes are finding the Chinese penchant for ultra-tight security hard to take.

They are cut off from friends representing other countries in the athletes' village, and without even so much as a glass of wine for solace. Boredom is turning into an epidemic.

''It's a bit like a prison, because there is nothing to do except eat, sleep and prepare for the next training session,'' Hong Kong gymnastics coach Jim Wilson said.

''It's important to be able to relax when you get back to the village. But after you've had something to eat, there is nothing to do.''

The Chinese are particularly proud of the 14 apartment blocks erected in the last three years to lodge the 6,500 participants from 37 nations and territories competing in the first international multi-sports competition hosted by Beijing.

They brag the menus accommodate the dictates of all religions represented, particularly the Moslem faith, and the village leisure complex features video arcades, swimming pools and a water slide.

The Beijing Theatre, located just outside the entrance to serve the village occupants, offers opera, acrobatics and such films as, ''A Bible for Daughters '' ''Me and My Classmates'' and ''The Heavenly Drum.''

Such diversions pale however for those recalling the swinging discos available at the 1988 Seoul Olympics, the stream of daytime entertainers cheering up

losers with unwanted time on their hands, spirits in the rooms and the easy availability of fellow athletes from other countries.

Min Fangda, chief of the Public Order Division in the village, said: ''We have seized hundreds of bottles of wines and liquors, but we did not confiscate them. Instead, we stored them and gave the owners a receipt so they can have them back when they leave.''

He stressed the prohibition against alcohol went along with the ban against inflammables, explosives, weapons, knives and poisons.

Min acknowledged athletes have complained they cannot visit friends from other nations in different parts of the village, which has three living sections all separated from each other by fences and guarded by armed police.

To ensure the inhabitants have sufficient rest, the apartments lack telephones television sets or videocasette recorders.

Athletes have nothing but praise for the sports venues, built at a tab of $530 million.

''The facilities and equipment are brilliant, as good as any top competition in the world,'' Wilson said. ''You can go out of the village, but a lot of the athletes don't particularly want to do that.''

Some have been warned not to venture into Beijing at night. Charouch Arirachakaran, Thailand's chief of mission at the games, urged the team not to leave the village.

''I hope all athletes return immediately after their events are over, '' Charouch said, cautioning against sightseeing and other non-sports related activities.

Charouch said he made the recommendation out of fear the escalating tensions in the Middle East would affect the games. The Olympic Council of Asia voted last week to bar Iraq from the extravaganza because of its invasion of Kuwait and suspended Baghdad's membership in the council.

The toughest security since the lifting of martial law in January is in effect in the city. Anxious to present a harmonious facade in the wake of last year's tumultuous pro-democracy protests, official figures have placed the number of security officers at 30,000.

Not everyone is concerned about inadequate amusement at the village. Swimmers from Lebanon said they are having enough problems adjusting to an Olympic-size pool, 50 meters long.

''We don't have any back home,'' team member Emile Lahoud said. ''All of ours

are too small.''

One of the busiest spots is the village laundry. For athletes like Omar Hakim Khalid of Pakistan, learning to use an automatic washing machine and dryer has provided an unexpected diversion.

Omar, 20, listened intently as the Chinese attendent explained the maneuvers. With 110 washing machines, 30 dryers and ample staff on hand to help with instructions, another cheerful novice commented: ''It's the most popular place in the village.''

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DETROIT (SEPT. 24) UPI - A top Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. executive said Monday the general decline in industry sales and the economy could cause Toyota to do even better in meeting its goal of commanding 10 percent of the U.S. car market by the mid-1990s.

''We had talked about 10 percent by the mid-1990s,'' Bob McCurry, executive vice president of the Toyota Motor Corp. subsidiary, said during a new model preview in Detroit, where Toyota unveiled its first all-new Tercel subcompact car in four years. ''But in a down market we have the opportunity to do better.''

McCurry explained that strong owner loyalty to the Toyota name and high North American production capacity will help it push toward that goal or poossibly even exceed it, although he declined to be more specific.

Toyota's share of the U.S. car market through August stood at 9.2 percent, including 0.6 percent from the Japanese manufacturer's Lexus luxury car division. This is up from a total share of 6.8 percent for the first eight months of 1989, before the Lexus line was introduced.

McCurry said Toyota is still on track to sell 1.5 million vehicles by the mid-1990s, more than 50 percent of which would be built in North America. This compares with 30 percent currently.

But he said that recent reports about Toyota building a second assembly plant in the United States are premature and that a decision on whether to proceed with a second plant is still several months away. ''That has still not been decided, but it has to be done,'' he said.

The Tercel marks Toyota's sixth new model introduction in 18 months, with McCurry saying the new car shows ''low price does not have to rhyme with sacrifice.''

Prices on the 1991 Tercel, to go on sale next month, will begin at $6,488 for

the two-door model, which is unchanged from the 1990 price. A four-door sedan, which replaces the three-door hatchback, will start at $7,898.

Both cars are the result of a four-year program internally named ECD, short for ''Epic making Cost Down'' - an ambitious effort to reduce the cost and weight of the Tercel.

Toyota hopes to sell about 140,000 of the new small cars next year, despite what McCurry called a ''congested'' subcompact market and unfavorable economic conditions. That is up from a sales figure of about 100,000 for the current model.

The new Tercel, slightly larger and more powerful but lighter than the model it replaces, enters a market that includes newly redesigned models like Nissan's Sentra, Ford's Escort and Tracer and the Hyundai Excel - even Toyota's own slightly larger Corolla, which is also offered as a sedan.

But even Toyota, which built its reputation for quality and dependability in small cars before entering other markets, said this segment is most sensitive to negative economic news and higher interest rates.

''The entry-level buyer is the first to go away in a downturn,'' McCurry said.

While the 1991 Tercel is very fuel efficient - its 1.5 liter, 12- valve engine gets between 31 and 37 mpg - McCurry used the preview to reiterate what many carmakers have already said about efforts led by Sen. Richard Bryan, D-Nev., in Washington to raise the corporate average fuel economy to 45 mpg.

''Existing technology cannot meet a 45 mpg standard without substantial downsizing,'' he said, adding that smaller cars would lead to job losses and less of a choice for buyers.

McCurry said Toyota has already used most of the means cited by Bryan to raise fuel efficiency, like front-wheel drive, multi-valve engines, four-speed automatic transaxles and aerodynamic body design.

Toyota instead favors an approach based on vehicle class and size, which would raise minimum federal standards for small cars to a higher level than those for larger cars, said James Olsen, vice president of extrenal affairs for Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A.

On other matters, John Koenig, Toyota's corporate product planning manager, said Toyota Motor Sales is near completion on technical centers near its Torrance, Calif., headquarters and in Ann Arbor, Mich., that will employ about 1,000 engineers and designers to develop cars specifically suited to U.S. tastes.

He also said that Toyota plans to be the first automaker to offer a

driver-side air bag on a minivan meeting existing federal safety standards that currently apply only to cars. Toyota new Previa minivan will get the safety device, but Koenig could not say when.

Chrysler Corp. plans a driver-side air bag in its new minivans by next year, but it will not have the required knee bolsters in the lower dashboard as required under current car-safety standards.

McCurry also seemed to downplay a story in Monday's Automotive News that quoted Lexus boss J. Davis Illingworth as saying the division would ultimately replace Mercedes-Benz because people are realizing they do not have to spend $75,000 for a luxury sedan.

''Lexus will give Mercedes a good race eventually, but not in my lifetime,'' McCurry said, adding the German automaker still has a much higher production capacity and a wider model range than Lexus.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 24) UPI - NASA managers huddled at the Kennedy Space Center Monday to review plans to launch the shuttle Discovery around Oct. 7 on an unprecedented mission to fire a European science probe over the poles of the sun.

An official launch date was expected to be announced Tuesday at the conclusion of a two-day ''flight readiness review'' chaired by William Lenoir, NASA's associate administrator for space flight.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration originally hoped to launch Discovery and its five-man crew on Oct. 5, but the flight is believed to be running about two days behind schedule because of delays launching an Air Force Titan 4 rocket from the nearby Cape Canaveral Air Force Station.

The rocket, possibly carrying a spy satellite to help monitor activities in the Persian Gulf, originally was scheduled for blastoff last Wednesday.

But the flight was repeatedly delayed, sources said, until Sunday when an unknown problem prompted Air Force managers to cancel a predawn launch attempt at the T-minus five-minute mark in the countdown.

Sources who requested anonymity said the Titan 4 was grounded by a propellant leak, but that could not be immediately confirmed.

Other sources said the Titan 4 had to get off the launch pad by Monday or pre-launch processing for Discovery would take priority over the military rocket under an agreement between the Air Force and NASA.

While NASA has nothing to do with launching Air Force Titan rockets, both agencies share the same military radar tracking and launch communications equipment, which can only support one mission at a time.

The goal of Discovery's flight, only the fourth shuttle mission this year because of fuel leaks that have grounded the shuttles Atlantis and Columbia, is to launch the European-built Ulysses probe on an unprecedented five-year, $750 million voyage over the poles of the sun.

To reach such an orbit, Ulysses, built by the European Space Agency, first must be fired away from the sun to Jupiter, so it can use that planet's titanic gravity for a boost down, out of the plane of the solar system, and back toward Earth's star.

NASA managers are particularly anxious to avoid any major launch delays like those that have plagued the space agency all summer. Because of the positions of Earth and Jupiter, Ulysses must be launched between Oct. 5 and Oct. 23 or the flight will be grounded for 13 months.

If Discovery makes it off the ground Oct. 7, the shuttle Columbia, currently mounted atop launch pad 39A, will be hauled to Discovery's pad two days later for extensive fueling tests to locate the source of an elusive hydrogen leak that has grounded the spaceplane since May 30.

The shuttle Atlantis then will be hauled to pad 39A four days after Discovery's takeoff for launch around Nov. 7 on a classified military mission. If Columbia's leak can be quickly found and fixed, the long- delayed shuttle could be ready for blastoff around Nov. 28 - six months behind schedule.

Engineers have been unable to duplicate any leaks aboard Columbia without first pumping supercold liquid hydrogen fuel through the ship's convoluted plumbing, a hazardous and expensive operation.

Robert Schwinghamer, the NASA engineer in charge of the leak investigation, is considering a plan to chill the fuel lines with dry ice before pumping helium through the system in a bid to pinpoint the leak. Such tests conducted at room temperature have not been successful.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 24) UPI - Communist guerrillas Monday rejected President Corazon Aquino's declaration of a cease-fire in the capital and areas devastated by a recent earthquake and announced the resumption of full hostilities.

Romulo Kintanar, a leader of the communist New People's Army, said in a statement to news agencies that Aquino's Sept. 12 announcement of a limited

cessation of hostilities was ''a mere scheme to divide the revolutionary forces.''

The leader of the 19,000-strong NPA, which has been waging a 21-year rebellion said ''the only real path to lasting peace is a comprehensive resolution of the fundamental problems underlying the national crisis.''

Kintanar accused Aquino of insincerity and cited the violent dispersal of anti-bases protesters last week during the second round of talks on the 1947 Philippine-U.S. bases agreement expiring next year and the increase of petroleum prices.

''In the face of the goverments insincerity and high-handedness, the NPA has no other recourse but to intensify military operations in those quake-damaged areas and in metro Manila,'' the statement said.

''We cannot allow our people to go defenseless against a government that betrays the people's interests and the cause of peace,'' he said.

The National Democratic Front, which represented the NPA in the short-lived peace talks in 1987, issued a separate statement supporting the resumption of hostilities.

The NPA had issued a call for a truce in areas hit by the July 16 earthquake earlier, but Aquino had ignored it until early this month when a multi-sectoral group proposed a resumption of peace talks as a step toward national reconciliation.

Maj. Gen. Rodolfo Biazon, armed forces deputy chief, said Kintanar's statement showed there are divisions in the rebel movement with one group advocating peace talks.

''Who is the leader?'' said Biazon. ''Is there anyone in the (rebel group) who can issue an order and give assurance that that order will be honored?''

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BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (SEPT. 24) UPI - Yugoslavia's only national daily newspaper failed to appear on newsstands Monday for the first time in 45 years because of financial problems, and its editor-in-chief said he was not sure when it would be published again.

Manojlo Vukotic, the top editor of Belgrade-based Borba - Serbo- Croatian for ''Struggle'' - told a news conference the newspaper could not go to press because it is unable to pay outstanding bills to its printers equal to about $1 million.

However, he said Borba would not change its independent status or editorial policies to enhance its circulation and resolve its shortage of funds.

''I cannot tell you whether we are going to reappear tomorrow, nor when Borba will be back on the newsstands,'' said Vukotic.

The staff of 200 people will continue to report for work in hopes the newspaper's printers relent in their refusal to print Borba until their bills are paid, he said.

Borba was until one year ago the official newspaper of Yugoslavia's ruling communist party. But, with the disintegration of the party, the national parliament in April formally assumed sponsorship of Borba, although it failed to provide financial support and exercises no control over editorial policies.

The newspaper was among the first advocates of ending 45 years of communist rule and has been a leading voice of pan-Yugoslav ideals, opposing the rise of nationalism that threatens the survival of the multi-ethnic country of 23 million.

For those reasons, it has been perceived as an important supporter of federal Prime Minister Ante Markovic, who has formed his own pan- Yugoslav party to oppose nationalist parties, which control and finance the leading newspapers of the six republics.

Borba's circulation has been varying between 40,000 to 80,000 copies daily, a substantial increase over 10 years ago. But the rise has failed to cover escalating production costs.

Vukotic blamed the federal government for the newspaper's money problems, saying it has failed to determine the extent of its financial commitments.

''We need to know exactly under which conditions the federal parliament, i.e. the Yugoslav government, wishes to finance Borba. If they want Borba as a Yugoslav daily newspaper, they have to say how much money they can give us,'' Vukotic said.

In emergency contacts over the weekend, the federal government agreed to give Borba about $300,000. But the amount fell far short of the newspaper's outstanding debt to its printers.

In case the federal government does not provide the money it needs, Borba will look for another sponsor, private money or foreign investors, Vukotic said.

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#90267u1434 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 24) UPI - French President Francois Mitterrand urged the

United Nations Monday not to compromise with Iraq for its occupation of Kuwait and proposed a four-point plan to settle the Middle East conflict.

Speaking to the U.N. General Assembly on its first day of annual debate on world crises, Mitterrand reitereated his government's tough policy toward Iraq as the Security Council prepared to tighten its sanctions against the Baghdad government by imposing an air traffic embargo.

The council was scheduled to vote Tuesday afternoon on a resolution asking governments to withdraw landing rights to aircraft flying to and from Iraq or occupied Kuwait, and to forbid airlines from making scheduled or non-scheduled flights to these two countries.

U.N. diplomats said the air embargo would almost certainly be approved because the five permanent members of the council - the Soviet Union, the United States, China, France and Britain - have already agreed on the resolution.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze will preside the meeting of the 15-nation council, the most powerful U.N. body whose decisions are binding on all members. Secretary of State James Baker as well as the French, British and Chinese foreign ministers will participate in the meeting.

The council also will call on governments to detain ships of Iraqi registry entering their ports and which have been used in violation of the sanctions.

''There is no compromise as long as Iraq does not comply with U.N. resolutions and withdraw from Kuwait,'' Mitterrand told the General Assembly.

Mitterrand said U.N. resolutions are ''not negotiable,'' but he said, ''diplomacy might still prevail over confrontation.''

''We are prepared to take a chance for peace,'' Mitterrand said, criticizing Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for not saying one word since his troops swiftly occupied Kuwait Aug. 2, which might give a ''gimmer of hope'' to the international community.

Saddam rejected U.N. resolutions that called on him to withdraw immediately his forces from Kuwait and release tens of thousands of third-country nationals stranded in Iraq or Kuwait. He denounced U.N. trade and arms embargo imposed on his government for ''strangling'' his people.

The four points of Mitterrand's program to settle the Middle East conflict include a U.N.-guararnteed Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait; the release of all foreign nationals detained as hostages; reconciliation - or ''good neighborliness'' - among countries in the region and arms reduction in a wide region extending from Iran to Morocco.

There was no immediate comment from leaders attending the General Assembly to

the French president's plan.

He said an international conference on the Middle East should be convened to safeguard and implement resolutions on the conflict and act as a ''catalyst'' for peace in the region.

Mitterrand said there are more than 500 French nationals being used by Saddam as human shields and declared that such a practice and the storming of the French embassy in Kuwait City are ''unacceptable.''

Mitterrand and Brazil's President Fernando Collor, who preceded the French president to the podium of the General Assembly hall's 2,000 seats, put the gulf crisis in the forefront of the lenghty debate by warning that any wrong moves by the world could bring war.

The General Assembly is a forum with the attendance of all 160 member countries of the United Nations.

Collor urged governments to comply with U.N. sanctions despite the hardship that the measures would bring to their people. He said Brazil ''ranks among the countries outside the (Middle East) region that have been most adversely affected'' by the sanctions.

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#90267u1461 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (SEPT. 24) UPI - The weeklong strike by the Canadian Auto Workers union against Ford Motor of Canada Ltd. caused the automaker nearly 8, 100 units of lost production, Ward's Automotive Reports said Monday.

The weekly statistical publication said Ford's Canadian subsidiary had planned to build 6,240 cars and 1,824 light trucks last week at Canadian plants that include its St. Thomas, Ontario, facility, the sole source for the automaker's large, profitable rear-drive cars.

CAW officials announced Friday a three-year agreement that was ratified by its 12,800 Ford workers on Sunday. Employees returned to their jobs at Ford Canada's nine plants and one parts facility Monday.

Ford executives said previously that a strike by the CAW would take about two weeks to affect its U.S. operations. But Ward's said Ford plants in Illinois, Kentucky and Ohio are idled this week because of a shortage of V-6 engines made at its Windsor, Ontario, plant.

However, Ford spokesman Joel Pitcoff insisted those temporary closings are because of a shortage of dealer orders, not engine shortages from Canada.

Plants idled this week include its Taurus/Sable car plant in Chicago and its

Kentucky Truck plant in Louisville, Ky. Production of Ford's Thunderbird and Cougar cars at Lorain, Ohio, is also down, while its Econoline van plant at Lorain has been cut to one workshift for this week.

Separately, Ford said Monday it will export about 4,000 Aerostar vans built at its St. Louis, Mo., plant, to Mexico during the 1991-model year under terms of that country's recently announced Automotive Decree.

Ford also plans to export Lincoln Town Cars and Ford Explorer sport utility vehicles from its Wixom, Mich., and Louisville, Ky., plants to Mexico, company executives said.

''The Mexican Automotive Decree constitutes a step forward in the internationalization of the Mexican economy and affords the Mexican consumer enhanced product choice,'' said Henry Nickol, general manager of vehicle operations for Ford's North American Operations.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - Iraq reportedly conducted secret military exercises for at least two years before attacking Kuwait. U-S intelligence sources say there's compelling evidence Iraq's invasion of Kuwait was part of a long-planned operation aimed at gaining control of oil fields in eastern Saudi Arabia.

A London-based Saudi newspaper says Saudi Arabia asked Iraq, Jordan and Yemen to reduce their embassy staff because of apparent espionage. Quoting the report- ''Saudi investigations have revealed they were involved in activities incompatible with their diplomatic status.''

Turkish President Turgut Ozal says the embargo against Iraq will almost certainly resolve the Persian Gulf crisis. Ozal today described Iraq's military threat as an ''exaggeration.'' He said threats of war by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein are rhetoric.

The Soviet Parliament today gave President Gorbachev new powers to begin implementing a transition to a market economy after 70 years of central planning. The resolution gives Gorbachev the ability to issue new decrees on property relations, wages, prices, budget and financial systems.

East Germany officially withdrew from the Warsaw Pact today in preparation for reunification with West Germany next week. The East German army was the second largest in the military alliance, next to the Soviet forces. About 50-thousand East German soldiers will be part of an all-German army.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - Alabama Democrat Howell Heflin says he supports U-S Supreme Court nominee David Souter, saying it's wrong to expect him to state his ''precise'' views on issues. Earlier, California Democrat Alan Cranston announced he'll oppose Souter, saying he's concerned about abortion rights and other privacy issues.

South African President de Klerk is meeting with President Bush at the White House today, talking about U-S-South Africa relations. The first South African leader to visit the United States in 45 years began the Oval Office talk saying- ''it's marvelous being here.''

Winnie Mandela was accompanied by her husband Nelson and dozens of cheering loyalists for a court appearance today in Soweto , South Africa. The black nationalist leader's wife was NOT asked to plead during the hearing in which she was charged with assault and kidnapping in the death of a teen-ager.

The U-S Embassy in Manila is raising a stink over the way the Philippine government is disposing- or NOT disposing- of its garbage. Embassy officials are protesting the dumping of refuse at a recently opened dump near the U-S diplomatic compound, saying rats carrying ''many diseases'' abound in the trash.

Clarence Brandley preached about patience in delivering his first sermon to a Baptist church last night in Houston. And, patience is something Brandley knows about first-hand. Brandley spent nine years on death row before his 1980 murder conviction was reversed and he was released in January.

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CINCINNATI (SEPT. 24) UPI - Homosexual activists held a ''sex-in'' outside the county courthouse at noon as an art museum and its director went on trial on obscenity charges for displaying photographs by Robert Mapplethorpe.

The Contemporary Arts Center and director Dennis Barrie were indicted in April on charges of pandering obscenity and child pornography for showing the photographs.

The trial, expected to last 10 days, involves seven of the 175 photos displayed at the gallery last spring. Five photos are of men engaged in homosexual acts and two are of children with their genitals displayed.

Outside the courthouse, protesters marched, chanted and briefly blocked traffic by lying in the street and simulating sex acts ''for everybody's enjoyment and outrage,'' said Scott MacLarty, a member of the Gay and Lesbian March Activists.

''We believe that (the indictments are) motivated by homophobia,'' he said,

explaining the turnout by about 300 homosexuals and others opposed to what they said was censorship.

Cincinnati police Capt. Joe Koch said officers decided against making arrests because ''the crowd moved along.''

Inside the courtroom, the defense was dealt a setback as Municipal Judge David Albanese overruled a motion to have a mistrial declared.

Defense lawyer Louis Sirkin said the prospective jurors had been contaminated by the flavor of questions posed by Prosecutor Frank Prouty, who frequently asked whether the potential jurors agreed or disagreed with laws on child pornography.

Albanese also rejected a defense attempt to have prospective jurors limited to Cincinnati residents, rather than all of Hamilton County. Sirkin argued the ''contemporary community standards'' that should apply in the trial should be those of Cincinnati residents, but Albanese disagreed.

Prouty questioned four men and four women out of a pool of 50 prospective jurors before adjourning for lunch.

Among his questions to the panelists, Prouty asked whether they had ever been to an art gallery, seen Playboy or Penthouse magazines or donated money to arts organizations.

He also repeatedly asked the prospective jurors if they believed a law should be upheld ''whether the law is good or bad.''

Members from more than a dozen homosexual groups joined the protest outside the courthouse. They held a street theater in which they enacted famous works of art that have nudes - such as Michelangelo's ''Creation'' - performing ''Cincinnati versions'' that had the genitals of the nudes covered.

The protesters left the courthouse after the noon hour, marching to Fountain Square and back. Many carried placards and banners.

Carol Lippmann of the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power accused Hamilton Sheriff Simon Leis and Judge Albanese of ''using the Mapplethorpe trial to demonstrate their hatred of the gay and lesbian community.''

Barrie and the Contemporary Arts Center each face a charge of pandering obscenity for the homosexual pictures and a charge of using a child in nudity-oriented material for the pictures showing juveniles' genitals.

If convicted, both face possible fines: $5,000 on each count for the gallery and $1,000 on each count for the director. Barrie also faces the possibility of being jailed for a maximum of six months on each misdemeanor count.

The defense suffered a setback earlier this month when Albanese ruled the scope of the trial would be limited to the seven photos, rather than on the exhibit as a whole. The bulk of the Mapplethorpe exhibit includes non-controversial still lifes and portraits.

The Mapplethorpe exhibit drew a record 81,003 people in Cincinnati. The show then moved to Boston's Institute for Contemporary Arts, where director David Ross expected a record 100,000 visitors before the show closes Oct. 4.

Mapplethorpe died in Boston March 9, 1989, of AIDS.

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HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 24) UPI - Northeast Utilities would be allowed to recover from customers 60 percent of its $276.5 million investment in the Seabrook nuclear plant under a settlement announced Monday.

The settlement reached by state officials and the utility would result in a one-time increase of between 1.5 percent and 2 percent in electric bills, officials said.

The settlement would allow Northeast to recover through rates $167 million, or 60 percent, of the $276.5 million it spent for its 4.06 percent share of the $6.6 billion New Hampshire nuclear plant.

The $167 million will be included in the rate base for Northeast's Connecticut Light and Power Co. subsidiary as of June 30, the day the Seabrook plant began commercial operation.

The settlement is subject to approval by the state Department of Public Utility Control. Higher rates for CL&P customers would take effect following DPUC action on the company's next rate case.

The 1.5 percent to 2 percent rate increase resulting from the Seabrook costs is expected to be offset by an undetermined amount because of the lower costs of nuclear-generated power, the utility said.

The settlement was reached by Northeast, the state attorney general's office, the consumer counsel's office and the DPUC's prosecutorial division.

''This settlement finally puts the Seabrook controversy behind us,'' said Attorney General Clarine Nardi Riddle. ''The 40 percent write-off of NU's Seabrook investment will save ratepayers a significant amount of money over the life of the generating unit.''

Bernard M. Fox, president and chief operating officer for Northeast, said he

believed the settlement was equitable both for the utility's shareholders and customers.

''This eliminates some of the uncertainty from future rate cases, and should help further stabilize rates for the people we serve,'' Fox said in a statement.

Northeast serves more than 1 million customers in Connecticut through CL&P.

The company also owns Western Massachusetts Electric Co. and Holyoke Water Power in Massachusetts and is in the process of acquiring the Public Service Co. of New Hampshire, the principal investor in the Seabrook plant.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - The United States posted a budget deficit of $52.75 billion in August, a huge gain over the August 1989 shortfall of $22.15 billion, the Treasury Department said Monday.

But ''$25 billion of the August deficit reflects a shift of payments normally made in September into August to avoid Labor Day delays'' of military pay, Social Security checks and other payments, the department said.

''This will affect September's results by $25 billion as compared to last year '' the department said.

August's $52.75 billion shortfall is the worst showing since a staggering $53.35 billion in March and follows a shortfall of $25.93 billion in July and a deficit of $11.13 billion in June.

For the fiscal year, which ends Sept. 31, the United States was running a total shortfall of $241.71 billion at the end of last month, the Treasury Department said.

During the same period in the previous fiscal year, the budget deficit stood at $145.80 billion, the department said.

Defense spending in August, following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2, jumped to $27.80 billion from $22 billion in July and $27.01 billion in June.

The Treasury Department said that the federal government has spent $269.23 billion on defense spending in the fiscal year to date vs. $267.13 billion during the last fiscal year.

In other categories in August, the United States spent:

-$2.64 billion on the bailout of the savings and loan industry.

-$41.18 billion on Social Security.
-$18.29 billion on other social services.
-$1.87 billion on education.
-$1.14 billion on the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

August receipts totaled $78.49 billion vs. outlays of $131.24 billion, with borrowing from the public totaling $47.33 billion and interest payments on the public debt standing at $18.92 billion, the department said.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 24) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.70 1/2	2.75 1/2	2.69 1/2	2.75 1/4	2.70 1/4
Mar	2.84 1/2	2.89 3/4	2.83 3/4	2.89 1/4	2.84
May	2.93	2.98	2.92 1/2	2.97 1/4	2.93 1/2
Jly	2.98 1/2	3.03	2.98	3.03	2.98 1/2
Sep	3.09	3.09	3.07	3.07	3.03
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.24 1/2	2.28 3/4	2.22 1/2	2.28 3/4	2.25 3/4
Mar	2.34 1/4	2.38 1/4	2.32	2.38	2.34 3/4
May	2.40 1/2	2.44 1/2	2.38	2.44 1/4	2.41 1/2
Jly	2.44	2.47 1/2	2.42	2.47 1/4	2.45 1/4
Sep	2.43 1/4	2.44 1/2	2.41 1/4	2.44 1/2	2.44
Dec	2.43 1/2	2.45 1/2	2.42 3/4	2.45 1/4	2.44 3/4
Mar	2.50	2.51	2.50	2.50	2.49 3/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.12	1.13	1.10	1.12 1/2	1.13 1/4
Mar	1.23	1.23 3/4	1.20 1/2	1.23	1.23 3/4
May	1.30 1/2	1.30 3/4	1.29	1.30 1/4	1.31
Jly	1.38	1.38	1.35 1/4	1.37 1/4	1.38
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	6.12	6.14 1/2	6.06 1/2	6.13 1/2	6.11 1/2
Jan	6.26	6.28 3/4	6.21 1/4	6.28	6.26 1/4
Mar	6.39	6.42	6.34 1/2	6.41	6.39 1/2
May	6.48	6.51	6.43 1/2	6.49 1/2	6.48
Jly	6.55	6.58 1/4	6.51	6.56	6.55 1/4
Aug	6.50	6.52	6.47	6.52	6.50
Sep	6.30	6.30	6.29	6.29	6.30
Nov	6.24	6.26	6.20	6.23 3/4	6.24

Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Oct	23.52	23.52	23.30	23.42	23.55
Dec	23.72	23.74	23.52	23.63	23.77
Jan	23.95	23.99	23.79	23.89	24.02
Mar	24.25	24.30	24.08	24.15	24.30
May	24.45	24.50	24.30	24.40	24.50
Jly	24.38	24.50	24.30	24.45	24.60
Aug	24.45	24.45	24.25	24.25	24.52
Sep	24.25	24.25	24.00	24.12	24.40
Oct	23.80	23.90	23.75	23.90	24.10
Dec	23.60	23.80	23.50	23.75	23.95

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	174.80	177.00	174.00	175.80	175.10
Dec	178.80	181.70	178.50	180.60	179.20
Jan	181.20	183.50	180.40	182.80	181.20
Mar	184.50	186.20	183.50	185.70	184.50
May	186.20	187.50	185.50	187.10	186.10
Jly	187.50	188.70	187.00	188.70	187.60
Aug	187.00	188.00	187.00	187.50	187.10
Sep	187.00	187.50	186.50	187.10	186.10
Oct	186.00	186.00	185.00	186.00	184.00
Dec	186.00	186.00	185.00	186.00	184.00

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - Americans received a failing grade Monday on a comprehensive test of their consumer knowledge, with the poor and minorities scoring worst on subjects ranging from nutrition to housing to product safety.

The Consumer Federation of America, which sponsored the nationwide test, said consumers averaged just 54 percent correct answers on 249 questions designed to test their knowledge on a broad range of consumer issues.

''The fact that consumers are inadequately prepared to deal with the marketplace costs them billions of dollars a year,'' Stephen Brobeck, executive director of the Federation, said at a news conference announcing the test results. ''It also threatens their health and safety.''

The test, called by the Federation ''the first comprehensive examination of the nation's consumer knowledge,'' centered on six general areas of consumption - banking, housing, insurance, food, product safety and durable goods such as autos and appliances.

Brobeck said the test showed ''particularly glaring deficiences among the young, the poor, the least well-educated and minorities.''

Results showed the best educated in the sampling scored an average 22 percent higher than the least educated. Similarly, there was a 17 percentage point difference between the most and least affluent and a 13 to 15 percentage point difference between whites and minorities. Hispanics scored lowest.

The test scores were generally low on questions concerning housing purchases, checking and savings accounts, food purchases and life insurance. Consumers proved to be most knowledgeable on questions about drugs and housing rental.

For example, only 38 percent knew that a certificate of deposit usually pays higher yields than a money market account, 21 percent the extent to which auto insurance rates vary between companies, 26 percent the decreasing importance of life insurance with age, 25 percent when and how to remove asbestos, 33 percent that real estate agents legally represent the sellers, and 36 percent the basis for food ingredient labeling.

By contrast, 78 percent understand the relation of salt consumption to high blood pressure, 79 percent the cancer risk of inhaling asbestos fibers, and 77 percent how to save gas while driving.

Brobeck said the overall average of 54 percent correct answers was particularly ''appalling'' since random guessing would have yielded a 25 percent correct score on the multiple choice test.

The test was funded by the TRW Foundation and administered by the independent Educational Testing Service to a sample population of 1,139 people earlier this year.

Noting that only a handful of states require consumer education in public schools, Michael Van Buskirk, vice president of TRW Information Systems and Services, said the test ''suggests our educational system is failing.''

Van Buzkirk said he would also give ''a failing grade to public and private efforts'' at consumer education.

Brobeck said the Federation, a coalition of 240 non-profit consumer advocate groups, plans to spearhead a meeting at the White House in January with representatives of government, education and business to determing ways to improve consumer education.

''We have to show that an informed consumer is good for business,'' Brobeck said.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - New England Patriots owner Victor Kiam says he does not disapprove of five players' sexual harassment of a woman reporter in the

team's locker room.

''I can't disagree with the players' actions,'' Kiam said in an interview published Mondy in the Boston Herald. ''Your paper's asking for trouble sending a female reporter to cover the team. Why not stand in front of her (naked) if she's an intruder?''

On Sept. 17, Lisa Olson, a sports writer for the Herald, was sitting in the Patriots' locker room at Foxboro Stadium interviewing a player when five others surrounded her while they were naked.

As Olson wrote, the players ''approached me, positioned themselves inches away from my face and dared me to touch their private parts.'' She said that Zeke Mowatt asked her, '''Is this what you want?''' and Olson said this was ''one of his tamer comments.''

Because Olson said she ''did not want to become the story,'' the Herald decided not to publicize the incident. But on Friday, the rival Boston Globe published an article describing what happened.

During the weekend, Kiam, the highly visible president of the Remington Products shaving company, was called by another Herald reporter. Asked about the incident, Kiam is quoted as saying: ''I'm sure (the incident) looms large in Lisa's life but I can't get excited about it. It's a flyspeck in the ocean.

''It isn't (a factor regarding) winning and losing. That's what we're interested in. Anything that takes (the players') eye off the ball should be dismissed out of hand.''

Kiam believes Olson and the Herald were at fault for the situation.

''The players are doing their jobs, and that includes taking a shower. They should be able to walk around naked. Why can't she conduct her interviews out on the field?

''I feel we're caught up in the tempest of the times. Freedom of speech is fine but letting women into a locker room goes beyond that. Players should be able to retain the dignity of the individual. Your paper's at fault here.''

Along with the absence of an apology by Kiam, Olson said none of the players involved had apologized to her. Two other players, Ronnie Lippett and Cedric Jones, apologized to Olson for their teammates' actions and said the five were not representing the team.

The Patriots have a history of such incidents. A female television reporter was harassed by two players in 1988, and two years previous another female sports writer was harassed by a player who wanted her to leave the locker room.

Olson, in her first year covering the Patriots, was assigned to the NHL Boston Bruins last season and said she never had any problems dealing with the players.

The Patriots' situation has also sparked shots between the two Boston newspapers. After the Globe reported the incident, Herald Sports Editor Bob Sales responded in an article, writing: ''The Boston Globe, under the guise of supporting her, chose to write a story about this situation. The Globe, of course, stands to profit from any repercussions that develop as a result of this public disclosure.''

On Sunday, a Globe columnist termed Sales' response: ''one of the more bizarre stories in Boston journalism history'' and described the Herald's decision to try and resolve the situation diplomatically and without publicity as ''weak.''

On Monday a Herald columnist fired back, referring to the Globe writer as a ''stiff,'' ''self-serving ingrate'' and ''cheap-shot artist.'' He also said ''the poor bum's memory has to be receding faster than his hairline.''

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#90267u1546 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

SOFIA, BULGARIA (SEPT. 24) UPI - Bulgarian Socialist Party chief Alexander Lilov offered his resignation Friday following demands by liberals for a purge of older leaders linked to the party's totalitarian past.

The surpise announcement on the third day of a party congress in Sofia sparked confusion and speculation over the future of the ruling Socialists, known as the Communist Party before changing their name in April.

Party sources said Lilov was still maneuvering to retain the top post, hours after telling the congress he was resigning and would not seek office in a leadership election scheduled for Monday night. Members of the party's liberal wing predicted a split if Lilov is re-elected.

''We will not play the game of the old guard. If Lilov wins we will not serve on the presidium or on any bodies,'' said George Karasameonov, a delegate from Sofia and a prominent member of a radical reformist faction known as Demos.

Karasameonov said his group would meet Saturday to decide whether to remain in the Socialist party.

Lilov, in offering his resignation, condemned attempts to remove older and more conservative members from the leadership as ''profoundly wrong and dangerous.''

He also declared he had ''nothing to hide and nothing to be ashamed of'' for hisyears of service with the party under former hard-line leader Todor Zhivkov.

His resignation followed a day of open clashes between radical reformers and conservatives over ideological control of the party.

Sunday, Lilov had rebuked liberals as well as Prime Minster Andrei Loukanov for demanding a complete shakeup in the party's leadership.

In his speech Monday, Lilov said the congress should re-elect Loukanov to the party's ruling Supreme Council, ''although he does not belong to the younger generation.''

He proposed that his job be given to Petar Mladenov, the former Communist Party leader who served as president for four months before resigning amid scandal in July.

Leading the attack Sunday against the party's conservative wing was Dragomir Draganov, a prominent liberal who called for the election of a ''young, efficient and active Supreme Council.''

Draganov also urged the dismissal of 100 to 200 party members who held leadership positions under the authoritarian regime of Todor Zhivkov, who was ousted in November.

Another liberal, Velislava Dureva, warned that if the congress held back from adopting needed reforms in hopes of perserving unity it would create a ''Cheops pyramid in which the mummy of a 100-year-old party would be laid.''

Loukanov, in an open challenge to Lilov, told an afternoon session the Bulgarian people ''want new faces.'' To ensure the party's survival, he said, older leaders must yield their positions to younger men and women.

But Lilov dismissed the demands for a purge as a mere powerplay by younger Socialists who coveted the top party posts for themselves.

In a report opening the congress, Lilov warned Saturday against a potentially fatal split, adding, ''We should distance ourselves from the calls for disbanding and setting up a new party in its place.''

Although the BSP won a parliamentary majority in historic multiparty elections in June, public opinion polls and a declining membership show its strength is waning as Bulgaria's economic crisis worsens.

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#90267u1566 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

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''We are amply prepared to return to the ... negotiating table if that is your collective desire, or if the prospects for employee ownership cease to exist '' they wrote.

''In the event we abandon the employee ownership initiative, we, as your leaders, are confident in our ability to confront senior management pursuant to the provisions of the Railway Labor Act, up to and including a strike,'' the union letter said.

It was signed by Frederick Dubinsky, chairman of the union's United Master

Executive Council, J. Steve Smith, vice chairman, and Felix Isherwood, secretary-treasurer.

They said the employee buyout group had been ''within days - in some cases hours - of securing the commitments needed'' to complete the buyout last month when Iraq invaded Kuwait.

The invasion has sent fuel prices spiraling, strangled earnings in the airline industry and cast a pall over the campaign to finance the UAL buyout.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	389.25 up 2.00
Morning fixing	390.15 up 0.90
Afternoon fixing	392.50 up 3.25
Close	396.00 up 6.75
Paris	393.93 up 3.58
Zurich	392.50 up 2.50
Hong Kong	388.75 off 0.90
New York	
Comex spot close	403.00 up 13.60
Republic cash	403.00 up 13.25
Handy and Harman	392.50 up 3.20

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 393.82 up 3.21 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 413.51 up 3.37 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.915 up 0.125
Republic cash	4.935 up 0.12

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.895 per fine ounce up 0.085

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.91 up 0.08 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.254 up 0.086

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 456.50 up 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 556.50 up 0.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 102.50 up 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 117.50 up 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90267u1572 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Gold futures closed 1, 360 to 1,530 points higher Monday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	400.00	400.30	400.00	403.00	389.40
Oct	392.00	404.20	392.00	403.50	389.90
Dec	396.80	409.00	396.10	408.30	394.50
Feb	402.00	413.30	400.60	412.80	398.90
Apr	406.50	417.10	406.50	417.10	403.00
Jun	409.70	421.60	409.70	421.60	407.30
Aug	423.00	425.80	423.00	425.80	411.30
Oct	423.70	430.60	423.70	430.60	416.10
Dec	423.50	435.30	423.00	435.30	420.60
Feb	429.00	440.40	429.00	440.40	425.50
Apr	432.10	....	....	445.20	430.10
Jun	439.00	....	....	450.40	435.10

Open interest: 114,043 up 2,840.

Estimated sales: 50,000 contracts.

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#90267u1586 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - President Bush and South African President F.W. de klerk held a historic meeting Monday on the ''irreversible'' racial reform in South Africa that Bush said must be rewarded by the United States.

''The time has come to encourage and assist the new South Africa,'' Bush said following a two-hour meeting with de Klerk, the first South African president to visit the United States in nearly a half century.

''You can count on us. We will not turn back, said de Klerk. The South African leader has cut away at his nation's racial segregation system of apartheid since becoming head of the white minority-ruled government one year ago.

Last winter, in one of his most dramatic moves, de Klerk freed black leader Nelson Mandela after nearly three decades of imprisonment. De Klerk also legalized Mandela's African National Congress and opened negotiations with it.

Bush said once remaining elements of apartheid are lifted - including the release of other political prisoners, the lifting of a state of emergency and the opening the political system - U.S. economic sanctions imposed against

South Africa in 1986 would be removed.

''I'll consult fully with Congress,'' Bush said. ''All of our conditions have not yet been made. But let me emphasize that these conditions are clearcut. I don't believe in moving the goal posts.''

De Klerk arrived in Washington Sunday quoting civil rights leader Martin Luther King. He is involved in talks with the ANC on a new constitution that he said would provide democratic rights and ''equal opportunity for all.''

Yet many complain that de Klerk has not moved far or fast enough.

As Bush and de Klerk held their meeting, dozens of demonstrators paraded outside the White House. Among their chants: ''Free South Africa,'' and ''Mandela, Yes; de Klerk, no.''

Randall Robinson, executive director of TransAfrica, a civil rights group, called the White House meeting ''a superficial photo opportunity ... to put a smiling face on a sad and tragic situation.''

''The American public and U.S. policy-makers must be reminded that major pillars of apartheid remain,'' said Robinson, citing laws that prevent blacks from participating in the government and segregate them in packed townships.

''In the last six weeks, South Africa has experienced unprecedented violence in which over 800 people have been killed,'' Robinson added.

He said that ''while some of the fighting is an outgrowth of political rivalry between elements of the ANC and supporters of the Zulu organization Inkatha, there is evidence'' that government security forces instigated some if it.

De Klerk, who has ordered an investigation into such charges, was to complete his three-day visit to the United States Tuesday with a series of meetings with members of Congress and an address to the National Press Club.

The Congressional Black Caucus canceled its scheduled meeting with de Klerk, citing the violence in South Africa and the advice of some civil rights leaders.

De Klerk was initially to visit Washington last spring. But he postponed the trip so it would not conflict with Mandela's own triumphant U.S. tour.

Bush and de Klerk both gave upbeat remarks at the close of their meeting.

The U.S. president said, ''We believe the process of change in South Africa is irreversible and our goal ... is to support the process of change.''

Bush added, ''The end of apartheid can mean the beginning of a greater South

Africa. Then South Africa will become a beloved country.''

De Klerk thanked Bush ''for acknowledging the new reality of South Africa,'' adding, ''and indeed it is irreversible.''

He said, ''We are making progress. But we have a problem of volatility.''

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#90267u1600 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

BUREIJ, ISRAELI-OCCUPIED GAZA STRIP (SEPT. 24) UPI - On the edge of the Palestinian refugee camp where an angry Arab mob killed an Israeli soldier, residents said Monday the military intended to demolish scores of homes and shops lining the street where the fatal attack occurred.

Military sources have said buildings belonging to Palestinians involved in the attack would be demolished in accordance with the law, allowing for appeals to Israel's Supreme Court.

But they declined comment on the claims of mass demolition orders, which Palestinian sources said included 21 houses, 10 stores, four garages, a gas station and two offices and workshops.

With the demolition of those buildings, Palestinians said, the main road into the Bureij refugee camp would be widened by 4 yards on either side. It is not clear whether any of those who received the demolition orders or their relatives were directly involved in the fatal attack.

''This is inhuman and mass punishment and does not go along with the democracy and equality that the Israelis talk about,'' said a 24-year- old Bureij resident, who identified himself as Osama and said part of his father's house was scheduled to be demolished. ''It's suppressive action.''

Bureij remained under curfew Monday, four days after Israeli reserve Sgt. Amnon Pomerantz, 46, was stoned and burned to death in his car after he mistakenly turned into the refugee camp. It was the first time Pomerantz was driving to his reserve duty in the Gaza Strip and the entrance to his army base was the next left turn off the main road.

When Pomerantz realized his mistake, he tried to turn around about 400 yards into the camp, came under a hail of stones and hit a donkey cart, injuring two teenagers. The accident fueled the anger of Palestinians, who apparently believed the boys had been killed. The barrage of stones increased and then masked men threw gasoline on the car, setting it on fire with the uniformed soldier inside.

Soldiers on the outskirts of the camp were alerted to the attack only when waves of Palestinians streamed out of Bureij. Because the military normally

rounds up Palestinian men between 16 and 60 after incidents, many male residents fled to relatives and friends living outside Bureij.

The brutal murder, on the first day of the Jewish New Year, sparked widespread outrage among Israelis from across the political spectrum. While some called for even greater attempts to reach a political solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, others sounded words of pessimism.

''The stoning and burning alive of a defenseless driver, not by an organized terrorist group or an individual gone beserk, but by an inflamed, bloodthirsty mob, has rekindled the fear that Arab hatred is so deep and irrational that no modus vivendi between Arab and Jew can be reached,'' The Jerusalem Post wrote in its first editorial on the slaying.

The underground leadership of the 33-month-old Palestinian uprising issued a leaflet Monday in the Gaza Strip calling for a week of violence and confrontations with Israeli soldiers in solidarity with Bureij.

Punishment proposals from Israelis against Bureij residents have ranged from house demolitions to selected deportations or mass expulsions. The high number of demolition orders led not only Palestinians but left-wing Israelis to criticize the moves as too harsh.

''They are going back to collective punishment, meaning not punishing those involved in the slaying but those who happen to live around also would be punished,'' said Dedi Zucker, a Parliament member of the Citizens' Rights Movement. ''I think that this kind of an action (Pomerantz's slaying) deserves a very harsh punishement, but only those who were involved deserve this punishment.

''It's almost a recipe for growing hatred if people who had nothing to do with the lynching would be punished,'' Zucker said. ''It is wrong if Israel is still sticking to these punitive measures (of collective punishment), which above all are ineffective.''

Bureij, where more than 19,000 Palestinians live, remained closed off to the outside world Monday, except for the military and relief workers. Military sentries were posted at entrances off the main road.

Women who remained in Bureij recounted to reporters and U.N. officials tales of Israeli beatings, harassment and threats of rape in efforts by the security forces to round up Palestinian men. The military said no complaints had been filed by Bureij women.

''Last night, they came to our house at 9 p.m.. They were looking for shabab (young Palestinian men) and they asked me about my husband, said a 24-year-old woman, clutching her 9-month-old son. She identified herself only as Asmahan.

The men had fled and when she told the soldiers and internal security officers only women and children were in the house, ''they started beating (the women) separately.'' They also threatened her with rape, she said.

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#90267u1603 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 24) UPI - Retail gasoline pump prices have risen more than 20 cents a gallon to the highest prices ever since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, an industry analyst said Monday.

Trilby Lundberg, director of the Lundberg Survey, said a check of gasoline prices Friday at more than 13,000 retail outlets showed the weighted average price for a gallon of gasoline - including state and federal taxes - was $1.3835 a gallon.

Lundberg said the 2.91 cent-a-gallon increase over the prior two weeks brought average pump prices to a level exceeding the previous March 1981 high of $1.3782 a-gallon.

She said, ''Nominally $1.3835 a gallon is the highest weighted average'' ever recorded by the Lundberg since the service began surveying gasoline prices in the 1950s.

Prior to the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion triggering the world oil crisis, the weighted nationwide average for gasoline was 117.71 cents a gallon.

The latest rise brings the total increase since the invasion to 20.64 cents a gallon, or 17.5 percent.

Wholesale prices, however, have risen far more. Unleaded gasoline was being quoted on the New York Mercantile Exchange Monday at $1.06 a gallon - 64.9 percent higher than its price of 64.27 cents a gallon on Aug. 1 prior to the invasion.

But using the December 1980 consumer price index as the basis for comparision, Lundberg said the new $1.3835 price becomes 88 cents a gallon when inflation over the decade is taken into account.

The price increase since Sept. 7 took place despite lower consumption with the end of the summer tourist driving season, Lundberg said.

''In the summer, after July and August, we (drivers) use a lot less gasoline and the prices usually decline,'' said Lundberg.

''That is not happening now. No matter what the consumption levels are, the crude oil price rises continue and are sustained. It is now more than $35 per barrel. It will drive the prices for all petroleum products.''

''The biggest increase was at self-service pumps, which accounts for 80 percent of all sales,'' she said.

Lundberg said the retail price increase between the Aug. 24 and Sept. 7 surveys was 2.3 cents per gallon.

In the latest survey, the price for a gallon of unleaded regular gasoline at self-service pumps was 127.36 cents, compared to 124.28 cents in the Sept. 7 poll.

The prices for other grades at self-service pumps were: 144.05 cents for a gallon of premium unleaded and 125.51 cents per gallon for regular leaded.

At full-service pumps, a gallon of regular unleaded sold for 149.59 cents; premium unleaded was 163.19 cents; and regular leaded sold for 147.83 cents.

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#90267u1610 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

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#90267u1614 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	367.10	222.87	132.23	21.76	311.32
Opening	363.27	220.52	131.29	21.38	308.05
11 a.m.	359.56	217.45	130.51	21.07	304.97
Noon	359.63	217.16	130.39	21.05	304.95
1 p.m.	358.01	215.08	130.29	20.90	303.64
2 p.m.	358.63	215.02	130.43	20.92	304.11
3 p.m.	359.96	215.84	130.59	21.01	305.14

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#90267u1619 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (SEPT. 24) UPI - Ford Motor Co. said Monday it will offer customers

$500 cash rebates on most of its 1991 models with their official introduction this Thursday, under a program that expires Dec. 11.

The new rebate amounts are between $250 and $500 less on some car lines than under the current offer, which is due to expire Wednesday. Company spokesman Dave Krupp said the reductions were made because of competitive moves by other automakers.

The new offer applies to most models except the 1991 Mercury Capri and Ford Explorer sport utility vehicle, which carry no customer or dealer incentives, Krupp said. The Ford Bronco sport utility truck gets a $1,000 cash rebate, up from $500 under the current program.

Buyers may also opt for 7.9 percent annual financing on loans up to 48 months long in lieu of the cash rebates.

Ford's current buyer incentives on its 1990 models, which offer $1, 000 rebates on most cars and between $600 and $1,500 on most light trucks, will expire Sept. 27.

After that date, the carmaker will offer cash incentives to dealers instead of customers to sell its remaining 1990 models, Ford said.

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#90267u1630 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 14) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for Latest Period vs. Year Earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Blount Inc (2nd Q 8-31)	
$172,930,000	$183,195,000
ad-$1,160,000	b-$9,821,000 (.82)

ad-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.
b-Includes a gain of $6,400,000 (.53), from the resolution of tax metters principally related to foreign tax credits and royalties.

GNI Group Inc (4th Q 6-30)	
$3,452,000	$3,591,000
ad-$246,000	d-$145,000

ad-Deficit, after after-tax loss on disposal of discontinued operations of $132,000.
d-Deficit.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 6 to 19 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.80	11.22	10.76	10.96	10.90
Mar	10.48	10.96	10.46	10.66	10.53
May	10.48	10.93	10.48	10.70	10.54
Jly	10.49	10.95	10.48	10.72	10.53
Oct	10.50	10.95	10.50	10.74	10.57

Estimated sales: 34,306 contracts

Open interest: 110,899 up 61

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.16

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 1 to 15 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.15	23.32	23.15	23.30	23.15
Jan	23.00	23.12	23.00	23.10	23.01
Mar	23.06	23.09	23.05	23.05	22.99
May	23.12	23.17	23.10	23.10	23.03
Jly	23.17	23.20	23.10	23.10	23.04
Sep	23.11	23.14	23.10	23.10	23.03
Nov	22.84	22.85	22.82	22.85	22.84

Estimated sales: 673 contracts

Open interest: 11,046 up 61

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Sharply lower in moderate trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Sharply lower in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed sharply lower in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed for national holiday.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Sharply higher.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1/4 to 3 1/4, soybeans up 2 to down 1, wheat up 3 3/4 to 5 1/4 and oats off 3/4 to 1.

Cattle Trade - Steady to 50 cents lower; top $78.25.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 24) UPI - Monday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.55 1/4-2.63 1/4 up 5.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.05 3/4- 6.13 3/4 up 2.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.16-2.28 unch to up 3.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.28-2.37 up 2-3.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $30 to $35 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 2.25 cents to 3.50 cents a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.65 cent higher to 1.30 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.15 cent to 1.95 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $13.60 to $15.30 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $6.60 to $8.50 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.40 cent to 2.25 cents a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 12.5 to 14.1 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.006 to 0.019 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - Private savings and loans posted a loss of $196 million in the second quarter of the year in the best showing since a weak profit of $10 million in the first quarter of 1989, the government said Monday.

The figures, released by the Office of Thrift Supervision, do not include the results for institutions seized by the United States and operated by the federal Resolution Trust Corp.

''It's very difficult to perdict that the trend of reduced losses in the industry will continue of that the industry as a whole will become profitable this year,'' said Timothy Ryan, the OTS director.

Chief among Ryan's concerns are sliding real estate prices in many parts of the United States, which have been saturated by commercial development, such as shopping malls and office towers.

The second quarter loss of $196 million follows a loss of $374 million in the first quarter of the year - and a record $3.41 billion plunge in the final three months of 1989, the OTS reported.

In the second quarter of 1989, private savings and loans lost $745 million, the agency said.

The performance of the 2,452 private thrifts in the second quarter of 1990, down from 2,694 savings and loans at the end of the second quarter of last year, fall into four categories:

-Group I. ''Well capitalized and profitable:'' The 1,169 healthy institutions in this group - or 48 percent of the total - reported a second quarter profit of $646 million, up from $641 million in the first quarter and $582 million in the second quarter of 1989.

-Group II. ''Meet or expected to meet capital requirements:'' The 674 thrifts in this group - or 27 percent of the total - reported earnings of $31 million in the second quarter of 1989, down from $195 million in the first quarter and $296 million in the second quarter of last year.

-Group III. ''Troubled with poor earnings and low capital:'' The 350 thrifts in this category - 14 percent of the total - reported continuing losses of $153 million in the second quarter vs. losses of $332 million in the first quarter and $217 million in the second quarter of 1989.

-Group IV. ''Expected transfers to the RTC:'' Of the 244 sickest privately owned thrifts - or 10 percent of the total - second quarter losses stood at $720 million, slightly better than $723 million in the first quarter but much worse than $353 million in the second quarter of last year.

Fifteen thrifts recently sold by the government were not included in the latest OTS data, Ryan said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.19

60 to 89 days 8.10

90 to 119 days 8.05

120 to 149 days 8.06

150 to 179 days 8.00

180 to 270 days 7.91

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.20 - 8.00

Issuers 30 days 8.09

Issuers 90 days 7.73

Issuers 270 days 7.47

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.25

60 to 89 days 8.28

90 to 119 days 8.26

120 to 149 days 8.27

150 to 179 days 8.29

180 days 8.29

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.25 - 8.375

1 month 8.25 - 8.375

3 month 8.25 - 8.375

6 month 8.25 - 8.375

Year 8.375 - 8.50

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.40 - 7.38

6 months 7.38 - 7.36

Year 7.30 - 7.28

Federal Funds: High 8 1/4, Low 8 3-16, Close 8 1/4

Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 8.007 up 0.062.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90267u1698 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - A week before $105 billion in Gramm-Rudman spending cuts kick in, House Speaker Thomas Foley, said Monday budget negotiators may be close to an ''agreement in principle'' on a $500 billion

deficit cutting plan.

While he stopped short of predicting an end to the impasse that has blocked a budget accord, Foley, D-Wash., told reporters that a scheduled afternoon meeting between the five top congressional leaders and three key administration officials may succeed.

Asked if he expected those meetings to produce the elusive budget pact, Foley said, ''We believe it will lead us to an agreement in principle on all the general areas and categories of the agreement.''

''It might actually take a couple more days to work out the (specific) language, and so on, but that is what we are aiming at,'' Foley said. ''I see what I call progress.''

Foley said recent talks have been ''both broader and deeper'' than before ''and I think we are in a time frame where we all realize we have to come to a conclusion, if it is at all possible to do so, and I still think it is possible.''

Negotiators are working under a rapidly approaching deadline to avoid imposition of $105.7 billion in automatic, across-the-board spending cuts required under the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law.

Those cuts, split evenly between defense and domestic programs, are scheduled to take place beginning Oct. 1, the start of federal fiscal year 1991.

The cuts are expected to cause massive furloughs of federal workers and huge cutbacks in services ranging from air traffic control to food inspections.

Negotiators met for four hours Sunday night but failed to reach agreement on several unresolved issues, including President Bush's call to cut the capital gains tax.

At the White House Monday, press secretary Marlin Fitzwater denied that Bush's support for cutting capital gains taxes on profits from the sale of assets ''is the major stumbling block'' in reaching a budget agreement, as Democrats claim.

''We still don't have agreement on two or three other areas as well, big areas '' Fitzwater told reporters. ''There are many other issues still outstanding. We are not even close on the spending cut side. In fact, the Democrats have proposed spending increases.

Fitzwater charged that ''Democrats have been able to focus attention on the capital gains provision to the overall detriment of the progress in the negotiations, as far as we are concerned.''

Republicans vented frustration on the House floor at lack of a budget accord.

''The Democrat leadership of this Congress is not merely adamant and incalcitrant, it is also imcompetent, unable to pass a budget, unable to pass appropriations and only willing to allow (automatic spending cuts) to come about,'' said Rep. Bill Frenzel, R-Minn., a budget negotiator.

''We need a budget agreement now. It has to take place in the next 24 hours. And Congress better do it or it's going to stand judged as even more incompetent than its usual low standard.''

To demonstrate their frustration, House Republicans demanded time- consuming roll call votes on a long list of mostly non-controversial bills on Monday's House calendar - bills which often pass on voice votes or lop-sided recorded votes with broad bipartisan backing.

Rep. Robert Walker, R-Pa., one of those demanding roll call votes, said the GOP wanted ''no more business as usual'' in the House withoug a budget agreement.

House Democratic leaders were expected to bring to the floor later this week a temporary spending bill to keep government agencies funded through mid-October at this year's level. Without such legislation, they will run out of money Oct. 1.

But it was unclear whether that bill would delay beyond Oct. 1 imposition of the automatic cuts to give negotiators more time.

Fitzwater said the administration has threatened to veto any bill delaying the Oct. 1 deadline but said ''we will wait to see what the situation is when we get there.''

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#90267u1722 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	x59 1-4	off 1
AT&T Company	30 7-8	off 1-2
BCE Inc	30 7-8	off 1-4
Bell Atlantic	45 5-8	off 5-8
BellSouth Corp	51 7-8	off 5-8
Exxon Corp	50 1-2	off 3-4
Ford Motor Co	33	off 7-8
Genl Electric	54 1-2	off 1 3-8
General Motors	36 1-8	off 1-2
GTE Corp	25 1-2	off 1-4

IBM Corp	105	off 1 3-4
Mobil Oil Corp	66 7-8	off 1-8
Nynex Corp	x68 3-8	off 1
Pac Gas & Elec	20 3-4	off 1-8
Pacific Telesis	42 1-8	unch
Phila Electric	14 3-4	off 1-2
Sears Roebuck	26 1-8	off 1-2
Southern Co	23 1-4	off 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	49 3-8	off 1-8
US West Inc	33 1-8	off 3-4

x-ex-dividend.

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#90267u1728 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO (SEPT. 24) UPI - Four Japanese oil companies have boosted their oil purchases from Saudi Arabia by more than 100,000 barrels a day, apparently to make up for the halt in the flow of Kuwaiti crude after Iraq's invasion, an oil industry newsletter said Monday.

The Nicosia-based Middle East Economic Survey said the Japanese companies Idemitsu, Cosmo, Kyodo Oil and Nippon oil would receive 130, 000 barrels of Saudi crude per day under one-year contracts starting on Oct. 1, to replace previous month-to-month contracts.

MEES said a fifth Japanese company, Mitsubishi Corp., will for the time being continue to operate according to a month-to-month contract under which the company purchases 50,000 barrels of Saudi oil a day.

''The marketing situation of the company does not permit it to commit itself to a higher term volume at present,'' MEES said.

The oil newsletter also said Saudi officials were expecting Japan to increase its contribution to the U.S-led multinational force in the Gulf with manpower as well as cash.

''It's not just a question of money, a contribution in terms of Japanese manpower is also required,'' MEES quoted a senior Saudi official as saying. ''If the Japanese constitution forbids the dispatch of Japanese military forces, then they should contribute personnel for non-combatant roles, such as supply logistics, medical services and helping refugees from Kuwait,'' the Saudi official said.

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#90267u1746 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

ALBANY, NY (SEPT. 24) UPI - New York's Republican gubernatorial candidate

Monday proposed training and arming vigilantes to roam the streets of New York City, do battle with street thugs and end ''a killing emergency.''

''This city is in a state of emergency.... We have a killing emergency. When you have an emergency, you need emergency procedures,'' said GOP candidate Pierre Rinfret.

He proposed a six-month experiment in which the state would deputize 100,000 volunteers to halt crime in progress and report those and other crimes to uniformed police.

He said the costs would be minimal and that people with criminal records would not be accepted as vigilantes.

Rinfret made his proposal the same day eight youths pleaded not guilty to second-degree murder of a Utah man who was stabbed to death Sept. 2 as he tried to protect his parents from a mugging in the New York City subway.

The Manhattan ecomomist's proposal also comes one week after his campaign manager and top aides quit and he split with powerful Republican leaders, who he characterized as ''turncoats'' for refusing his demand for $950,000 in campaign funds.

Meanwhile, Conservative Party gubernatorial candidate Herbert London, hoping to capitalize on Rinfret's woes, offered to help the Republicans campaign to retain control of the state Senate and characterized Rinfret as Humpty Dumpty.

''He's fallen off the wall and all the King's horses and all the king's men are not going to put Humpty back together again,'' London said at an Albany news conference Monday.

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#90267u1751 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - From New Zealand westward around the globe to Hawaii, from frozen Antarctica to the tropical heat of the Caribbean, thousands of candles flickered in the twilight, sending a message to the world's leaders from a forgotten constituency: children.

The candlelight vigils Sunday night were organized to focus world attention on the plight of children in advance of this weekend's World Summit for Children that will bring together dozens of presidents, kings and prime ministers at the United Nations headquarters in New York to discuss the problem.

''Never before have so many heads of state gathered, on any issue, much less the needs and well-being of children,'' said Sam Harris, global vigil coordinator in Washington, D.C.. Harris heads a group called RESULTS, which he describes as a grass roots citizens' lobby aimed at creating the political

will to end hunger.

''Never before has there been such a mobilization for the long-term needs of children,'' Harris said. ''There was a mobilization for famine in Ethiopia but not for the long-term needs of children. I think the vigils began to let the public know the problem, some of the solution, and will help to assure that this World Summit for Children will not be a secret summit.''

The vigils, asking governments to provide children with health care, education and an environment free of poverty, began in New Zealand and followed the setting sun westward through more than 80 nations to end in Hawaii. Attendance ranged from a few dozen to thousands at more than 2,600 locations around the globe.

In Britain, an estimated 15,000 people participated in 50 vigils.

Hundreds of children and adults gathered at St. Paul's Cathedral in London Sunday night to urge world leaders to make bold social, political and economic commitments on behalf of children's health, education and welfare.

Forty children holding candles and dressed in colorful ethnic costumes symbolized the tragedy they hoped to end - the deaths of 40,000 children each day, more than half of them from sicknesses like measles and diarrhea that could easily be treated.

Robert Lloyd, who narrated the program, said the preventable deaths could be spared by an expenditure of $2.8 billion worldwide per year. ''That sounds a lot but it is the same that American companies spend on the advertising cigarettes in a year, it is the same that Russians spend on vodka in a month, and it is the same as the world spends on the military every day.''

Tara McDonald, a 14-year-old ambassador for UNICEF, stated the U.K. branch goals for the conference: ''Saving the lives of 50 million children worldwide this this decade, and ensuring their future health, education and opportunity to live a life free of poverty within a sustainable environment.''

In the United States, more than 100,000 people gathered at hundreds of vigil sites from Boston's City Hall Plaza to Kilana Park in Maui, Hawaii.

In St. Paul, where 1,500 children and adults attended the vigil, Luanne Nyberg director of the Children's Defense Fund, said it is time for lawmakers to recognize children's needs.

''We're here to show President Bush and all the politicians in Minnesota who want our vote Nov. 6 that we want children to be their front-and-center agenda their first priority,'' Nyberg said.

The vigil in Kansas City was organized by a high school student, Luci Hooper,

a member of Youth Ending Hunger, an international group.

Economist Sheldon Stahl told the crowd in Kansas City that while fatal plane crashes attract headlines, one child dying of neglect or hunger every two seconds does not make headlines.

Organizers in Washington said that at Kharkov in the Soviet Union more than 30,000 people gathered for the vigil.

In the Philippines, where some 1.3 million children are caught in the vise of abuse, neglect, exploitation, and insurgencies by communist guerrillas and Moslem separatists, President Corazon Aquino lighted the first candle in a vigil that drew 6,000 people at a Manila stadium.

Aquino said the ceremony ''firms up our commitment to put Filipino children in the forefront of our development agenda and to secure their claim on the country's resources, whether in peace or in times of conflict.''

In Australia, Prime Minister Bob Hawke threw away a prepared text as he urged a crowd of 3,000 people in Sydney to continue to pressure governments to spend less on weapons and more on eliminating child poverty.

Children in Australia linked 40,000 paper dolls together from the top of a mountain to its base.

In Denmark, Prime Minister Poul Schluter used the occasion to announce that Denmark had ratified the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

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#90267u1755 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2452.97	off 59.41
20 Trans	841.90	off 34.76
15 Utils	199.76	off 1.95
65 Stocks	859.31	off 22.36

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#90267u1758 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus		20 Trans		15 Utils	
Monday	2452.97	off 59.41	841.90	off 34.76	199.76	off 1.95
Friday	2512.38	off 5.94	876.66	off 3.33	201.71	up 1.38
Week ago	2567.33	up 3.22	887.94	off 1.48	199.89	up 0.69

Month ago	2611.63	up	78.71	908.03	up	38.32	194.42	up	3.46
Year ago	2659.19	off	22.42	1428.17	off	20.09	215.67	off	1.13
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2452.97			841.90			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	167.51	off	3.52
ASE Market Value Index	312.84	off	3.17
Dow-Jones Industrial	2452.97	off	59.41

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks	-	14,050,000 shares
1990 to date	-	2,556,829,575
Bonds	-	$3,710,000
1990 to date	-	$524,368,000

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#90267u1785 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	312.84	off	3.17
High Technology	294.30	off	12.70
Capital Goods	330.48	off	5.95
Consumer Goods	364.70	off	8.35
Service	668.14	off	22.20
Retail	915.38	off	34.27
Financial	363.69	off	4.75
Natural Resources	252.84	up	4.62
Housing-Const-Land	318.12	off	15.38

There was a loss of 11 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	394.26	off	10.74
Mid Atlantic	392.43	off	8.41
No Central	401.68	off	9.76
So Atlantic	871.96	off	25.46
So Central	306.38	off	6.24
Mountain	106.74	off	1.90
Pacific	350.41	off	12.53
Foreign	247.47	up	4.39

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#90267u1786 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:
Stocks - 162,210,000 shares
1990 to date - 29,040,858,612
Warrants - 664,300
1990 to date - 182,453,900

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#90267u1796 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - Two swing members of the Senate Judiciary Committee said Monday they will vote for the nomination of David Souter to the Supreme Court, a strong indication he will be quickly confirmed despite some opposition.

Sens. Howell Heflin, D-Ala., and Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., two moderates who sometimes side with the Republicans, strongly endorsed Souter, a conservative New Hampshire jurist nominated by President Bush to succeed retired Justice William Brennan, the court's leading liberal.

Heflin said Souter will not ''bring a scorched-earth policy'' to the Supreme Court and DeConcini said Souter does not have a ''hidden agenda'' and ''he was not chosen to turn back the clock on the great constitutional principles of our day.''

The votes of Heflin and DeConcini, along with the panel's Republicans, assure Souter of committee approval when it meets Thursday. The Senate could act Friday, enabling Souter to take his seat on the court when the new term begins Monday, but the final vote might be put off until next week.

The Senate's assistant Democratic leader, Alan Cranston of California, announced he will vote against Souter, saying he was concerned about the nominee's views on abortion.

In a brief Senate speech, Cranston said, ''I cannot support a nominee who refuses to acknowledge that a woman's right to choose to terminate a pregnancy is a fundamental right, or that the right of individuals, married or unmarried to use contraceptives to prevent pregnancy is a matter of settled law.''

''I cannot support a nominee who regards these issues as open questions,'' said Cranston, the author of an abortion rights bill pending in the Senate.

Souter, 51, a federal appeals court judge and former member of the New Hampshire Supreme Court, has declined to say how he might vote on cases challenging the landmark 1973 Roe vs. Wade decision, which recognized a

constitutional right for women to seek abortions.

During Judiciary Committee hearings that ended last week, Souter said only that he would come to the court with no preconceived agenda on abortion or on Roe vs. Wade.

Heflin, himself a former state supreme court justice, said those who demanded the nominee state his ''precise views'' on issues were ''wrong.''

DeConcini acknowledged that Souter ''at times refrained from answering questions on controversial areas of the law. I do not challenge his prerogative to draw a reasonable line, but this senator was left satisified with his responses.''

Heflin cited Souter's ''humaneness'' and ''willingness to listen'' and predicted that he would ''respect precedent.'' He added, Souter ''will not bring a scorched-earth policy to the court ... but a sense of perspective.''

DeConcini said that during the hearings it became ''quite evident that Judge Souter did not have a hidden agenda he would impose upon the Supreme Court.''

''Instead, Judge Souter is a proponent of judicial restraint,'' DeConcini said. ''He respects and defers to precedent. He understands the respective powers of the three branches of government. Most importantly, he understands the role of the court in our system and its duty to protect individual liberties.''

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#90267u1798 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 316.01, low 312.00, close 312.84, off 3.17.

There was a loss of 11 cents in the average share price.

Volume 14,050,000 shares, compared with 12, 640,000 Friday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	13
New Lows	117
Advances	114
Declines	511
Unchanged	182
Total Issues	807

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#90267u1801 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	62,442,924	58 1/2	off 2
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	54,877,940	29 3/4	off 1 3/4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	41,488,292	32	off 7/8
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	37,143,928	30 1/4	off 1 1/4
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	31,121,218	40 1/8	off 1 1/2
Amgen	(AMGN)	28,716,674	46 7/8	off 3/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	25,897,336	65 1/2	off 1 1/2
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	25,193,664	27 1/4	off 1 1/4
Conner Phrlrs	(CNNR)	17,292,776	19 3/8	off 7/8
American Ntl Insr	(ANAT)	17,277,178	34 1/4	off 1/4

Composite Index 154.00 off 4.45

NMS volume 91,816,600 shares.

Advances	341
Declines	1,344
Unchanged	1,121
Total	2,806

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#90267u1802 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 24) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Monday	-	10,625,000
1990 to date	-	1,846,771,000

The market closed sharply lower.

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#90267u1817 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady, in a letter obtained Monday, warned the government could run out of money by Oct. 4 unless Congress passes final legislation increasing the public dept limit to $3.509 trillion.

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-The timing of the capital needs of the Resolution Trust Corp., the federal agency charged with selling the assets of failed savings and loan institutions.

-A change in the tax code that affects the timing of employer payments of withheld taxes to the Treasury Department.

Brady said that the increase in the debt limit to $3.509 trillion is about $30 billion higher than projected by the government in its midyear budget review but ''should be sufficient to allow the government to operate'' until the end of fiscal 1991.

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#90267u1828 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Chase Manhatn	5,076,900	11 1/8	off 1 5/8
Boeing Co	2,921,000	40 3/8	off 2 7/8
Citicorp	2,449,500	15 1/4	off 1/2
PepsiCo Inc	2,013,200	21 5/8	off 5/8
Philip Morris	2,003,300	43 7/8	off 7/8
IBM Corp	1,993,700	105	off 1 3/4
Genl Electric	1,986,800	54 3/8	off 1 1/2
Computer Assoc	1,914,500	4 7/8	off 1/2
Wal-Mart Strs	1,574,500	25 7/8	off 1/2
Genl Motor	1,544,500	36 1/8	off 1/2
GTE Corp	1,439,700	25 1/2	off 1/4
Chem Banking	1,410,800	15 1/8	off 1 7/8
Waste Mangment	1,349,800	32 3/4	off 3/4
Eastman Kodak	1,295,400	40 1/2	off 3/4
Amer Genl	1,120,900	30 1/2	off 1 5/8

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#90267u1831 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Paine W Gr wtB	797,600	10	up	1
Corona Cp A	596,900	5 7/8	up	3/8
Salomon wt Jan	510,900	19	up	5/8
Wang Labs B	502,200	3 1/8	off	3/8
Echo Bay Mines	416,700	13 3/8	up	3/4
Denmark K wt	373,900	19 7/8	up	3/4
Eksport wt	371,500	10	up	1
Rhone Poulenc	334,000	10 7/8	up	3/8
ENSCO	306,200	3 7/8	unch	
MSR Explortn	287,300	3 1/4	up	5/8

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#90267u1832 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - Iraq said Monday it will boycott the U.N. General Assembly session after squabbling with the United States over what type of aircraft would be allowed to transport the Iraqi foreign minister to New York.

''Iraq is boycotting the U.N. General Assembly because the United States has blocked Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz's trip to New York by refusing his plane landing rights,'' Iraq's official Baghdad Radio said.

Aziz had requested he be allowed to fly to New York for the U.N. meetings on an Iraqi government plane.

Earlier Monday, State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said in Washington that the decision about whether to allow Aziz to fly to the United Nations aboard an Iraqi government aircraft ''remains under review'' in the U.S. government.

Asked why an Iraqi government airliner would be denied permission to land, Tutwiler said the reasons have to do with the fact that Iraq continues to hold at 93 Americans in detention, has refused to allow American diplomats to leave Iraq, and refuses to allow consular access to those detained.

Tutwiler said Aziz's right to come to the United States is not in dispute, and that it is only his right to use ''the convenience of a government aircraft.''

The official Iraqi News Agency reported that Aziz had sent a letter of protest to U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar because the United States had denied permission for his plane to land in New York.

The decision to boycott came on the eve of a U.N. Security Council meeting to tighten sanctions against Baghdad with an air traffic embargo.

The State Department said a taped message by Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein was

on its way to the United States and believed to be arriving late Monday when it would be turned over for dissemination to networks.

Egypt's interior minister was quoted in the early Tuesday edition of a Cairo newspaper as saying Iraqi invasion forces had seized 300,000 Kuwaiti passports and that he had alerted Egyptian immigration officials to be on the lookout for Iraqis trying to enter the country using the stolen documents.

The statement by Lt. Gen. Mohamed Abdulhalim Mussa in the semi-official daily Al Ahram coincided with another report which said Egyptian authorities had uncovered an alleged Iraqi-Palestinian plot to carry out acts of terrorism on Egyptian soil.

France rejected an apology from Iraq for its rough treatment of diplomats in occupied Kuwait, as French President Francois Mitterrand told the U.N. General Assembly on the first day of its annual debate not to compromise with Iraq for its occupation of Kuwait and proposed a four-point plan to settle the Middle East conflict.

The Security Council, the more powerful U.N. body, was scheduled to vote Tuesday on a resolution asking governments to withdraw landing rights to aircraft flying to and from Iraq or occupied Kuwait, and to forbid airlines from making scheduled or non-scheduled flights to these two countries.

U.N. diplomats said the air embargo would almost certainly be approved because the five permanent members of the council - the Soviet Union, the United States, China, France and Britain - have agreed on the resolution.

In other developments:

-The Los Angeles Times said the U.S. government used newly gathered intelligence to learn Saddam drew up an ambitious plan for regional dominance as early as 1986. It envisioned the troops would make only a ''strategic pause'' in Kuwait before continuing south into Saudi Arabia, the newspaper quoted officials as saying.

-The London-based Saudi daily Asharq al Awsat reported that Saudi Arabia, citing apparent espionage, asked Iraq and pro-Iraqi Arab states Jordan and Yemen to trim their embassy staffs in the kingdom to one ambassador and four diplomats. A Saudi diplomatic source said the kingdom also was investigating reports Indian military attaches in Saudi Arabia and other gulf states were spying on the U.S.-led multinational build-up and passing information to Iraq.

-The West German government said it will deliver nearly $500 million worth of East German military equipment to the U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf as part of a $2 billion German aid package to support operations and assist countries worst hit by a trade embargo against Iraq.

-Saudi Arabia ordered its embassies around the world to cancel public National Day receptions Monday, at a time when tensions remain high with Iraq and warnings of terrorism attacks against Saudi diplomats have been issued.

-A personality profile of Saddam Hussein suggests he's an aggressive gambler who will launch a surprise attack against someone in mid-to-late October. John Thompson, an analyst with the Toronto-based Mackenzie Institute for the Study of Terrorism, Revolution and Propaganda, also warned nations opposing the Iraqi leader to expect terrorist attacks by those sympathetic to his cause.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	367.10	222.87	132.23	21.76	311.32
Opening	363.27	220.52	131.29	21.38	308.05
11 a.m.	359.56	217.45	130.51	21.07	304.97
Noon	359.63	217.16	130.39	21.05	304.95
1 p.m.	358.01	215.08	130.29	20.90	303.64
2 p.m.	358.63	215.02	130.43	20.92	304.11
3 p.m.	359.96	215.84	130.59	21.01	305.14
Close	359.29	215.49	130.36	20.96	304.59
Change	off 7.81	off 7.38	off 1.87	off 0.80	off 6.73

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#90267u1835 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 15 to 195 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	75.90	75.90	71.56	73.70	75.65
Dec	72.55	72.61	71.04	71.14	73.04
Mar	73.60	73.65	72.25	72.35	74.20
May	73.80	73.81	72.42	72.85	74.42
Jly	73.95	73.95	72.50	73.10	74.40
Oct	69.25	69.25	69.25	69.25	69.40
Dec	67.70	67.85	67.60	67.75	67.93

Estimated sales: 10,500 contracts
Open interest: 36,951 off 43
The World spot average: unavailable

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#90267u1839 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941- 43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	367.10	357.89	359.29	off 7.81
20 Trans	222.87	214.57	215.49	off 7.38
40 Utils	132.23	130.21	130.36	off 1.87
40 Fncl	21.76	20.85	20.96	off 0.80
500 Stocks	311.32	303.58	304.59	off 6.73

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#90267u1841 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.44	off 0.70
10 Public Utils	89.66	off 0.83
10 Industrials	87.23	off 0.57

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#90267u1843 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2491.83	2498.02	2438.12	2452.97	off 59.41
20 Trans	870.93	872.04	836.17	841.90	off 34.76
15 Utils	201.02	202.34	198.06	199.76	off 1.95
65 Stock	875.58	878.12	853.57	859.31	off 22.36

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	21,174,900	32,295,400
Trans	3,290,100	3,505,000
Utils	2,811,200	4,636,700
65 Stock	27,276,200	40,437,100

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.44	off 0.70
10 Public Utils	89.66	off 0.83
10 Industrials	87.23	off 0.57

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at

131.54 off 0.21.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5825	off	200
CapCiti/ABC	445 7/8	off	13 1/8
UAL Corp	92 1/4	off	8 1/2
Phelps Dodge	53 3/4	off	4 5/8
Amer Stores	56 5/8	off	4 1/2
Wash Post	212 1/2	off	4 3/8
Time Warner	69 5/8	off	4 1/8
Dillard Dept Str	75	off	4 1/8
Progressive Cp	49 1/4	off	4
Reynolds Metals	63 1/2	off	3 7/8

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	234.75	234.75	228.00	228.90	236.55
Mar	....	....	....	231.60	239.25
Jun	....	....	....	234.60	242.25

Previous day volume: 188 contracts.

Open interest: 936 off 397

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	313.00	313.00	305.10	307.30	314.60
Mar	315.50	315.50	308.00	309.90	317.30
Jun	....	316.30	311.20	313.90	320.20

Today's estimated volume: 52,883 contracts.

Open interest: 179,582 up 1,902

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	171.70	172.00	167.60	168.65	172.80
Mar	173.40	173.40	171.20	170.05	174.25
Jun	173.60	173.60	173.60	171.45	175.65

Open interest: 4,412 off 2,645
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	519.50	519.50	508.00	510.90	522.30
Nov	519.00	519.35	509.50	511.00	522.70
Dec	521.75	521.75	512.25	513.50	525.25

Estimated volume 6,228 contracts.
Open interest: 9,919 up 736

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austral	.000176	.000176	5684.00	5684.00
Australia dlr	.8295	.8292	1.2055	1.2060
Austria schill	.0909	.0903	11.00	11.07
Belgium franc-c	.0312	.0308	32.07	32.43
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0126	.0127	79.54	78.49
Britain pound	1.8825	1.8450	.5312	.5420
Britain 1-mo	1.8725	1.8349	.5340	.5450
Britain 3-mo	1.8528	1.8155	.5397	.5508
Britain 6-mo	1.8273	1.7901	.5473	.5586
Canada dollar	.8684	.8654	1.1515	1.1555
Canada 1-mo	.8654	.8651	1.1556	1.1559
Canada 3-mo	.8595	.8570	1.1635	1.1669
Canada 6-mo	.8530	.8273	1.1724	1.2087
Chile peso-f	.003487	.003374	286.75	296.39
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001925	.001917	519.35	521.60
Denmark krne	.1674	.1669	5.9750	5.9900
Ecudr sucre-z	.001195	.001170	836.55	854.37
Egypt pound	.3706	.3701	2.6983	2.7022
Finlnd mrkka	.2695	.2670	3.7100	3.7450
France franc	.1920	.1894	5.2080	5.2805
France 1-mo	.1918	.1891	5.2148	5.2873
France 3-mo	.1911	.1885	5.2334	5.3057
France 6-mo	.1901	.1875	5.2615	5.3342
Greece drach	.006561	.006505	152.41	153.73
Hollnd guildr	.5704	.5624	1.7531	1.7781
HongKong dlr	.1288	.1288	7.7610	7.7621
India rupee	.0557	.0555	17.95	18.03

Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000541	1845.00	1850.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7196	1.7025	0.5815	0.5874
Israel shekel	.5000	.4975	2.0000	2.0100
Italy lira	.000859	.000850	1164.50	1176.00
Japan yen	.007283	.007321	137.30	136.60
Japan 1-mo	.007305	.007326	136.90	136.50
Japan 3-mo	.007310	.007326	136.80	136.50
Japan 6-mo	.007331	.007386	136.40	135.40
Jordan dinar	1.5485	1.5352	.6458	.6514
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000347	2878.00	2885.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6203	.6138	1.6121	1.6292
Norway krne	.1655	.1639	6.0420	6.1000
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	435,370	428,475
P'pnes peso-z	.0399	.0398	25.05	25.12
Portugl escud	.007210	.007199	138.70	138.91
Saudi riyal	.2674	.2673	3.7400	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5669	.5650	1.7640	1.7699
S.Africa rand	.3897	.3759	2.5660	2.6600
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010225	.010173	97.80	98.30
Sweden krona	.1743	.1729	5.7370	5.7830
Switzrl franc	.7716	.7584	1.2960	1.3185
Switzrl 1-mo	.7713	.7582	1.2965	1.3190
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7712	.7582	1.2966	1.3190
Switzrl 6-mo	.7711	.7583	1.2969	1.3187
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0372	26.80	26.87
Turkey lira	.000369	.000370	2710.00	2702.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Venez bolivr-z	.0208	.0208	48.02	48.02
W.Ger Mark	.6431	.6341	1.5550	1.5770
W.Ger 1-mo	.6431	.6341	1.5549	1.5770
W.Ger 3-mo	.6430	.6339	1.5551	1.5775
W.Ger 6-mo	.6422	.6331	1.5571	1.5796
Yugosl dinar	.0927	.0927	10.79	10.79

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

#90267u1874 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (SEPT. 24) UPI - The Soviet Parliament gave President Mikhail Gorbachev new powers Monday to begin a transition from 70 years of central planning to a market economy, but again put off adopting a specific program of reforms.

The resolution on ''additional measures for stabilizing the economic, social and political life of the country'' delegates to Gorbachev the power to issue decrees on management of the economy including property relations, wages, prices, budget and financial systems and strengthening law and order.

Deputies voted 305-36 with 41 abstentions on the resolution to give Gorbachev the new powers ''in accordance with the Constitution of the U.S.S.R.'' until March 31, 1992. They later voted to upgrade the resolution into a law by a tally of 277-41 with 52 abstentions.

But legislators of the Russian Federation headed by Boris Yeltsin on Saturday said any new powers for Gorbachev were ''impermissible,'' pointing to a looming new clash between the two powerful leaders who both favor a market economy.

Nikolai Medvedev, a Russian legislator from Lithuania, said, ''the new powers make Gorbachev an economic czar,'' empowered to issue laws without the lengthy procedural haggling that has marked the lawmaking of the Supreme Soviet, or parliament.

Medvedev blamed the ''low level of political culture of our parliament'' for Gorbachev's seeking the special powers and not any political craftiness or hunger for power by the Soviet President.

Some observers called it a black day for the parliament which began with so much promise two years ago after six decades of being a rubber stamp body of no debates and automatic yes votes for laws formualted by the Communist Party.

The resolution, entitled ''additional measures for stabilizing the economic, social and political life of the country,'' delegates to Gorbachev the power to issue decrees on management of the economy including property relations, wages, prices, budget and financial systems and strengthening law and order.

''The country is in a crisis situation,'' Gorbachev said during the debate on whether Parliament would delegate some of its legislative authority. ''I want this law. I can only add that these powers will be used to carry out these measures with all due responsibility.''

Earlier in Monday's session of the Supreme Soviet, or Parliament, deputies once again delayed adoption of a specific blueprint for the transition to a market economy by ordering that two radically different plans be combined into one workable program to be presented to Parliament Oct. 15.

There seemed to be little hope, however, that a new commission would be able to satisfy either side by combining the two programs - a radical ''500-day'' plan developed by economist Stanislav Shatalin with the support of Gorbachev and Russian leader Boris Yeltsin and the conservative government plan of Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov.

The Shatalin plan calls for immediate moves to privatize property and slash government spending, followed by decontrol of prices and other reforms. The Ryzhkov plan envisages the retention of much central planning and mixed property rights, with price reforms consisting of adjustments in the state-set prices.

There have been efforts to combine the two plans during the last month, but neither side has been satisfied and Yeltsin said the effort was like trying to mate ''a hedgehog with a snake.''

Shatalin, whose two main passions are economics and soccer, used a sports metaphor to express his exasperation when the Supreme Soviet ordered another commission set up to combine the plans.

''It's like I was the coach of Dynamo (soccer club) and I called in my top player and said 'you have to play in such a way that both (the rival team) Spartak and Dynamo win,''' Shatalin told the deputies.

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#90267u1885 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (SEPT. 24) UPI - A collision between a pickup truck and a tanker carrying liquefied natural gas touched off a fiery explosion in downtown Bangkok Monday that killed at least 30 people and seriously injured many others, witnesses and officials said.

''It was like a huge fireball across six lanes of traffic,'' said Richard Rothhaas, an American who saw the fire.

''I saw one man come crawling out, his clothes blasted off, his body burned white,'' Rothhaas said. ''He just lay there saying ''Let me die, let me die.''''

Government television stations said at least 30 people were reported dead with many others injured.

A police official at nearby Phya Thai police station said so far five bodies have been recovered, but others were believed still trapped in the flames.

The official said the fire was apparently set off by a collision between a fuel truck and a pickup truck at a busy intersection in central Bangkok.

The collision was followed by an explosion that spread flames over cars on the road and set fire to nearby buildings.

The accident took place at about 10:00 p.m. when Bangkok streets are still heavy with traffic.

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#90267u1892 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 24) UPI - A Pennsylvania company pleaded guilty Monday to racketeering charges in a scheme that used $1 billion worth of phony defense contracts to defraud investors and banks, including Britain's third-largest defense contractor.

Parent Industries Inc. of Lancaster, Pa., also agreed to pay more than $4.3 million to the federal government to settle the case.

The firm, a holding company owned by James H. Guerin, admitted to participating in the scheme with International Signal and Control, a defense contractor owned by Guerin.

ISC allegedly concocted fake defense contracts, making the contracts look real by moving money through various bank accounts in a practice known as looping, prosecutors said.

''As a result of the fictitious contracts, supported by the looping of funds, ISC's books and records grossly overstated both the company's sales and those receivables,'' Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Goldman wrote in documents filed Monday.

''It is calculated that Guerin directed the creation of $1 billion in fictitious sales and contracts from 1984 through 1989,'' Goldman wrote.

Guerin has not been charged individually in the case.

ISC and Parent, which controlled ISC's stock, used the phony books to obtain bank loans and inflate the price paid for ISC in 1987 by Ferranti PLC, a British defense contractor.

Parent received $670 million worth of Ferranti stock in the deal, and used the securities as collateral for a $39 million loan.

When the fraud was discovered in 1989, court documents indicate, Ferranti suspended trading on its stock on the London exchange.

The British firm last year wrote off $365 million because of the deal, and the plea memorandum indicates it has been forced to sell off sizeable portions of its assets and enter merger discussions.

Parent had also been charged with money laundering and fraud.

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#90267u1896 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	114,826,000
Advances	446
Declines	1,702
Unchanged	2,100
Total	4,248

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#90267u1897 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - A group of Egyptian doctors who recently left Kuwait say some Iraqi soldiers are injuring themselves to avoid combat. One of the doctors told reporters in Cairo that he treated about 200 Iraqi troops, many for self-inflicted wounds. .

The State Department says about one-thousand Americans are still being held against their wishes in Iraq and occupied-Kuwait. Officials say those held by Iraq include 69 American citizens with serious medical problems. .

In another Iraqi-related report, Argentina's president says he has fired an adviser who violated an international trade embargo against Baghdad. Argentine medical supplies and food reportedly werre shipped to Iraq through Iran. .

Iraq was also a major topic today at the U-N General Assembly as the world body opened an annual debate on world crisis. French President Mitterrand urged the United Nations NOT to compromise in its stand with Iraq.

The Treasury Department says the United States posted a budget deficit of 52-pointBILLION dollars in August, a huge gain over the August 1989 shortfall of slightly more than 22-BILLION dollars

Witnesses and officials in Thailand say an estimated 20 people were killed and many others injured in downtown Bangkok today when a fuel truck collided with a pickup truck. An American witness says ''it was like a huge fireball.''

Yugoslavia's only national daily newspaper didn't make it to the newsstands today for the first time in 45 years and its editor-in- chief says he's NOT sure when it will be published again. The paper has been dogged by financial problems.

A prosecutor in Allentown, Pennsylvania, today said a Russian Orthodox priest

convicted of drug charges used religion to conceal his illegal activities. The prosecutor said the priest ''has hidden behind the cross.''

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#90267u1907 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - The dollar ended mixed Monday in New York as cross-trading of the West German mark and Japanese yen dominated the market.

The dollar was quoted at 1.5590 German marks, off from 1.5775 Friday, and at 137.50 Japanese yen, up from 136.65.

Trading was dominated by cross-trading as dealers sold yen and bought marks, analysts said.

''Basically it was one of those days where traders were selling yen and buying marks and Swiss francs and British pounds,'' said David Gilmore, foreign exchange analyst for McCarthy, Crisanti & Maffei. ''It was a day where cross rates were the main focus of the market.''

Working strongly against the yen was the surge in the price of oil, seen as destabilizing for Japan, which depends heavily on foreign oil sources, analysts said.

''The net on the day was the dollar ended up strong against the yen and a little weaker against the mark,'' said David Jacques of Barclays Bank PLC.

Sterling also strengthened on the back of oil prices, as well as news the United Kingdom's trade deficit had narrowed, analysts said.

The British pound closed at $1.8810, compared with $1.8435 Friday.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2975 Swiss francs, off from 1.32; 5.22 French francs, off from 5.2820; and 1,166.50 Italian lire, off from 1, 174.

Rumors of central bank interest in the dollar against the yen also pushed the dollar higher, one analyst said.

Working against the dollar was a lack of concern expressed at the Group of Seven weekend meeting over the weaker U.S. unit, Gilmore said.

''The G7 seems tolerant of an orderly move downward for the dollar,'' Gilmore said.

In Europe, the U.S. dollar closed weaker against the major currencies in thin trading. The favorable U.K. trade figures pushed sterling sharply higher, analysts said.

The closing of the Tokyo market for a national holiday, a dive on Wall Street and uncertainty over the direction of the U.S unit restricted activity for the dollar, dealers said.

Expectations of higher Japanese interest rates also weighed on the dollar, they said.

In London, the pound gained more than three cents against the dollar after U.K. trade figures came in at a greatly reduced deficit of $2.04 billion, compared to $3.16 billion in July.

The pound closed at $1.8825 against $1.8675 at the close Friday.

The dollar closed lower in Frankfurt at 1.5590 German marks from 1.5735, and also was down in Zurich at 1.3040 Swiss francs from 1.3155.

The dollar slipped in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at 5.2340 French francs vs. 5.2880, 32.23 Belgian francs vs. 32.41, and at 1,167.20 Italian lire vs. 1,176.65 Friday.

Japanese markets were closed Monday for a national holiday. Trading will resume Tuesday.

Gold closed higher at $392.50 an ounce from $390 in Zurich, and was higher in London at $396 an ounce from $389.25.

Increases in oil prices following rising tensions in the Gulf prompted short covering and light fresh buying for gold, bullion traders said.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $403.00 an ounce, up from $389.75 Friday. The New York Commodity Exchange also settled contract gold at $403.00 an ounce, ahead from $389.40.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.935 an ounce, up from $4.815. Comex silver ended trading at $4.915 an ounce, up from $4.79.

Silver was up in Zurich at $4.81 an ounce from $4.80, and was also higher in London at $4.88 compared to $4.81 Friday.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	8	10	20
New lows	441	264	149

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	240	12,264,500
Declines	1,415	141,780,100
Unchanged	330	8,165,400
Total	1,985	162,210,000

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.02	8.22	9.09
91-day Treasury bills	7.62	7.60	7.82
182-day Treasury bills	7.76	7.72	7.84
1-year Treasury bills	7.83	7.77	7.74
3-year Treasury notes	8.37	8.28	8.37
7-year Treasury notes	8.91	8.85	8.37
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	9.18	9.12	8.29
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.50	9.42	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.15	10.10	9.26
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.41	9.33	9.28
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.07	9.63	9.30
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.65	9.62	9.45
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.63	9.60	9.43

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	362.24	351.08	352.16	off 10.09
Industrial	386.17	374.91	376.68	off 10.86
Finance	360.04	351.10	351.51	off 8.75
Insurance	428.92	420.83	422.58	off 7.20
Utility	479.99	462.30	462.35	off 20.40
Bank	267.50	258.16	258.16	off 9.30
Transport	399.04	393.55	393.96	off 5.31

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (9-24) 352.16
NASDAQ National Market System indexes
(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	154.00 off 4.45
Industrial Index	148.63 off 4.27
NASDAQ-100 Index	355.21 off 11.19
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.99 off 0.24
Volume	91,816,600 shares
Advances	341
Declines	1,344
Unchanged	1,121
Total	2,806

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	352.16	off	10.09	374.11	466.71
Industrial	376.68	off	10.86	400.78	452.46
Finance	351.51	off	8.75	372.44	555.09
Insurance	422.58	off	7.20	436.41	524.54
Utility	462.35	off	20.40	498.81	742.01
Bank	258.16	off	9.30	274.01	476.80
Transport	393.96	off	5.31	412.08	468.26

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 352.16
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	154.00 off 4.45
Industrial Index	148.63 off 4.27
NASDAQ-100 Index	355.21 off 11.19

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(correcting Monday's WTI and LLS prices)

NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices		

($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	33.85-33.90	31.15-31.20
North Sea Brent	40.40-40.50	37.60-37.65
West Texas Intermed	39.05-39.15	36.35-36.45
Light Louisiana Sweet	39.65-39.85	37.05-37.25
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	104.75-105.00	98.70-98.95
No. 2 Heating oil	102.90-103.15	95.95-96.45
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	102.00-102.25	95.95-96.20
No. 2 Heating oil	100.50-100.70	93.70-94.00

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 24) UPI - Vice President Dan Quayle said Monday if the world can unite against Iraq President Saddam Hussein, Congress should be able to rally behind President Bush to break the current budget impasse.

''The time is running out to get this budget agreement,'' Quayle told a media round table as part of his Western states' swing on behalf of Republican congressional candidates. ''It is not going to be helpful to anyone to have the Graham-Rudman meat ax fall.''

''The president has gone the extra mile. He has put everything on the table that the democratic leadership insisted upon.

''What have we gotten in return. Nothing - not one thing except a lot of talk. It's time to deal ... wrap this up. The American people demand it.''

''If the world can unite against Saddam Hussein, then members of Congress can unite behind President Bush and clear up this mess once and for all.''

Quayle said efforts by Democrats to pass a continuation resolution delaying Graham-Rudman cuts and ''somehow kick this down the road till after the election'' will further stir an ''anti-incumbency feeling that has been developing for a number of months now.''

Quayle also expressed reservations about a proposal by Senate Republican Leader Robert Dole to sever an administration-backed plan to cut the capital gains tax from the deficit reduction package, producing two budget measures to be voted on separately.

The Kansas senator has suggested that Republicans might agree to raise tax rates for the rich if Democrats accept the capital gains tax cut President Bush wants.

''What Sen. Dole is doing is trying to move the process forward. I just hope that this tactical move on his side does not hurt us in our quest to get capital gains,'' Quayle said. ''Capital gains reduction is very important to us.''

''The majority of the Congress support us and the president supports it,'' he said.

If a budget agreement is not reached by Oct. 1, automatic spending cuts would immediately go into effect including furloughs for thousands of federal employees.

Bush sent his vice president to Seattle to attend a fundraising breakfast for GOP challenger Bob Williams, who is trying unseat freshman Rep. Jolene Unsoeld in November's election.

''This race is a top priority for us - one of the closest in the nation,'' Quayle said.

Both candidates plan to spend $1 million or more in the race focused on the Northwest's timber war, which pits environmentalists trying to protect the threatened spotted owl and old-growth forests against those supporting jobs in the logging industry.

Quayle defended the administration's proposal, announced Friday, for curtailing the amount of logging permitted on national forests in the Northwest by nearly 17 percent next year to protect the owl.

The conservation strategy allows the U.S. Forest Service to sell 3.2 billion board feet of timber in Oregon and Washington during the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1.

''We hope that this is final and that Congress doesn't undercut,'' Quayle said.

''It's been a tough decision and one that has been researched. We have attempted to strike a balance.''

Quayle left for Portland, Ore., in the afternoon and will travel later to Los Angeles and New Mexico on behalf of GOP candidates.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	169.39	167.07	167.51	off 3.52
Industrial	211.51	208.54	209.18	off 4.40
Transport	134.63	131.33	131.57	off 4.52
Utility	83.44	82.82	82.92	off 1.10
Finance	113.58	111.44	111.60	off 3.42

Equivalent to a loss of 61 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 162,210,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - NBC News President Michael Gartner wrote in a memo Monday that as many as 25 employees might be laid off in a reshuffle of the department - but Jane Pauley is not one of them.

Gartner, in San Jose, Calif., at the annual meeting of the Radio and Television News Directors Association, said in a memorandum that the network was examining its schedule, which could result in new programs, changes in existing shows and resulting reassignments. He continued:

''Nevertheless, still others whose skills don't match those needed for the new shows or any other show - perhaps as many as 25 - may be laid off.''

NBC News now employs almost 1,000 people.

The network also announced Monday that Jane Pauley has signed a new five-year contract with NBC News. Her show, ''Real Life with Jane Pauley,'' will return to the schedule in mid-season as a weekly series. It was introduced this summer as a series of five specials.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Stock prices plunged in moderate trading Monday as skyrocketing oil prices and heightened tensions in the Persian Gulf sent the Dow industrials to their lowest levels in over a year.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which lost 5.94 Friday, tumbled 59.41 to 2452.97. The Dow has not closed at these levels since late June and early July of 1989.

A loss of more than 50 points at late morning triggered the exchange's rule curbing program selling. Under the rule, computerized trades in stocks can only be made at a price equal to or higher than the previous trade. Broader

market gauges hit lows for the year. The New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 3.52 to 167.51 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index slumped 6.73 to 304.59. The price of an average share plunged 61 cents.

Declines pounded advances 1,417-240 among the 1,985 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to 162,210,000 shares, compared with 201, 054,180 shares Friday when volume was inflated by the ''triple-witching hour'' expirations of stock-index futures and options.

The surge in oil prices that has seemed to know no bounds since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 sent the Dow to its lowest close since July 3, 1989, when it closed just a notch lower, at 2452.77.

November crude oil futures soared $2.82 to close at $38.25 in New York trading and topped $39 a barrel early in the afternoon after more belligerent talk over the weekend from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

On Sunday, Saddam reiterated his threat to attack Israel and oil fields in Saudi Arabia if his country was ''suffocated'' by mounting international efforts to force Iraqi troops out of Kuwait - an indication the U.N. sanctions were beginning to bite.

''We have $38 oil and it went as high as $39,'' noted Jeff Kaminsky, head of institutional sales trading at Mabon, Nugent & Co. ''That was the scenario if we had a shooting war, when this started. But we're there and there's still no war. So what could happen is weighing heavy on people's minds,'' he said.

From a technical standpoint, analysts noted the Dow's plunge, which got under way from the opening, took out the 2483.42 level early on. That figure was significant since it was the previous 52-week closing low for the blue-chip average. Analysts had hoped the Dow would not fall below it and Monday's close caused analysts to fear further selling may be on the way.

Kaminsky said volume, which was only moderate, was a source of concern to him, since it may mean there is more selling to be done.

''I think the healthiest thing would be to wash out with some volume and get it to a level where people will look at values again,'' he said. ''Right now too many things still look overpriced.''

As if the market were not shaken badly enough by oil prices closing in on $40 a barrel, bond yields rose and the prospects for a deficit- cutting accord dimmed.

Treasury bonds were down 18/32 in late trading with yields near their highest levels of the year. And the market's bearish tone was intensified further by the failure thus far of congressional budget negotiators to reach a deficit-cutting accord. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater was quoted

Monday as saying an agreement was not even close on several key issues.

''We've got a deficit not being addressed, higher oil, higher inflation and interest rates and a Fed that's probably not going to ease (interest rates),'' Kaminsky said. ''I don't know any reason why people should own stocks now, the risk is much greater than the reward.''

On the trading floor, Chase Manhattan was the most active issue, sinking 1 5/8 to 11 1/8 after news Friday of its massive restructuring, which involves 5,000 job cuts and a planned 50 percent reduction in its dividend.

Boeing followed, tumbling 2 7/8 to 40 3/8 as economically sensitive stocks took it on the chin. Alcoa, whose fortunes also rise and fall with the state of the economy, plunged 3 3/4 to 63 3/4. Some analysts say aluminum prices could drop quickly if the economy weakens further.

Citicorp was third, down 1/2 to 15 1/4 as major banks followed Chase with sharp losses. Chemical Banking slid 1 7/8 to 15 1/8, Bank of New York tumbled 1 7/8 to 18 5/8 and Wells Fargo slumped 1 3/8 to 49 7/8.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T fell 5/8 to 30 3/4, IBM dropped 1 3/4 to 105, General Electric lost 1 1/2 to 54 3/8, American Express sank 1 7/8 to 20 7/8, Merck gave up 2 1/8 to 73 1/2 and Philip Morris fell 7/8 to 43 7/8.

Even the oil issues in the Dow could not buck the market's trend, despite the surge in oil prices. Exxon fell 3/4 to 50 1/2, Texaco fell 1/2 to 63 3/4 and Chevron lost 1/4 to 77 5/8. As for other oil stocks, Amoco fell 3/8 to 58 1/2, Mobil eased 1/8 to 66 7/8 and Amerada Hess slid 7/8 to 54.

Elsewhere, UAL plunged 8 1/2 to 92 1/4, helping push the Dow transports down 34.76 to 841.90, a loss of about 4 percent. United Airlines' pilots union urged its members to write the company's board and express backing for continued employee-buyout efforts. The union warned a strike could result if efforts failed.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 194,231,810 shares, compared with 232,822,500 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices tumbled in active trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index skidded 3.17 to 312.84. Declines thumped advances 511-115 among the 807 issues traded. The price of an average share fell 11 cents. Composite volume totaled 15,968,100 shares, compared with 14,176,430 traded Friday.

PaineWebber's call warrants on the Tokyo market's Nikkei index led the Amex issues, surging 1 to 10.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index tumbled 10.09 to 352.16.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - House Speaker Thomas Foley is hopeful budget negotiators are close to an ''agreement in principal'' on a 500-BILLION-dollar deficit reduction plan. The Washington Democrat says an afternoon meeting between White House and congressional negotiators may succeed. The budget dealers are working under deadline, with automatic cuts kicking in next week without an agreement.

A federal jury in Norfolk, Virginia, today convicted a Christian Broadcasting Network technician on satellite-piracy charges for transmitting religious messages that interrupted a soft-porn movie on the Playboy Channel. But Thomas Haynie was found innocent of four other counts related to interrupting another pay-television outlet... called the American Exxxtasy Channel. The incidents occurred September 7th, 1987.

The F-D-A today authorized wider use of an experimental drug that may save bone-marrow recipients from life-threatening infections if the transplants fail. F-D-A officials say about 10 to 20 percent of transplant recipients suffer either outright or delayed rejection of transplanted marrow. The drug produces white blood cells that are essential to fighting infection.

The Environmental Protection Agency says 20 paper mills across the nation are spewing dioxin, increasing the cancer risk for people who eat contaminated fish. The E-P-A says the International Paper Mill at Georgetown, South Carolina, poses the highest risk, where consumption of downstream fish carries a cancer risk of one in 50.

The Federation of Consumers says Americans flunked a comprehensive test of their consumer knowledge. Citing a nationwide test, the federation says American consumers scored low on questions concerning housing purchases, checking and savings accounts, food purchases and life insurance.

Residents of a Palestinian refugee camp where an Israeli soldier was killed last week say the Israeli army plans to demolish many homes and shops near the location of the fatal attack. Israeli military sources have said buildings belonging to Palestinians involved in the attack will be torn down in accordance with the law.

The future of Bulgaria's ruling Socialist Party was thrown into confusion by a surprise announcement today by the party's chief. Alexander Lilov offered to step down following demands by liberals for a purge of older leaders linked to the party's totalitarian past. The party is holding a congress in Sofia.

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#90267u2019 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
HOLLYWOOD (SEPT. 24) UPI - The Mafia drama ''GoodFellas'' shot into first place at the nation's box office in its debut weekend, putting the arm on moviegoers for an impressive $6.37 million haul at 1,070 screens for Warner Bros.

But ''GoodFellas,'' based on the life of reformed mobster Henry Hill and starring Robert De Niro and Ray Liotta, only narrowly outgunned last weekend's No. 1 film, ''Postcards From the Edge,'' which grossed $6.33 million at 1,322 screens.

''Postcards,'' a hard-bitten comedy starring Meryl Streep and Shirley MacLaine and based on actress Carrie Fisher's book, has delivered a first-class gross of $17.2 million in less than two weeks for Columbia.

''GoodFellas'' and ''Postcards,'' which have both received strong reviews, may post some solid fall business for Hollywood. Their chief competition this weekend will come from the opening of Twentieth Century Fox's San Francisco-based thriller, ''Pacific Heights,'' starring Melanie Griffith and Michael Keaton.

''Ghost,'' the year's surprise hit, continued to scare up big numbers, with $5.1 million at 1,766 screens over the weekend to float into the No. 3 spot after a week at No. 2. It was the first time in 11 weeks that the romance-thriller finished below the No. 2 spot.

''Ghost'' has grossed $148.3 million for Paramount and trails only Disney's ''Pretty Woman'' among this year's movies top money-makers. ''Pretty Woman,'' Disney's all-time box-office hit, has drawn in $172.5 million in 28 weeks and was still showing at 693 screens last week.

Columbia's cop action-adventure ''Narrow Margin,'' starring Gene Hackman and Anne Archer, took in a less-than-arresting $3.6 million in its debut weekend at 1,132 screens, but still good enough for fourth place.

Paramount's ''Funny About Love,'' in which Gene Wilder gets involved with three women at once, wooed its way into the No. 5 spot with a lukewarm $3 million debut weekend at 1,213 screens.

MGM/UA's ''Death Warrant,'' with martial arts star Jean-Claude van Damme, kicked up $2.8 million in its second weekend at 1,090 theaters as it fell from third to sixth. It has pulled in $9.2 million in 10 days.

The life-after-death drama ''Flatliners,'' starring Julia Roberts and Kiefer Sutherland, tallied $2.2 million at 1,469 screens as it descended from fifth

to seventh place. Its seven-week total has hit $51.3 million.

''Presumed Innocent,'' Warner's courtroom whoodunit, fell from No. 4 to No. 8 with $2 million over the weekend at 1,285 theaters. The movie, starring Harrison Ford as a prosecutor accused of murder, has grossed a persuasive $78.6 million in nine weeks.

Universal's horror-revenge fantasy ''Darkman,'' which opened in the No. 1 spot four weeks ago, fell to No. 9 with just $1.5 million at 1,236 screens for a 31-day gross of $30.4 million.

''Hardware,'' Miramax's apocalyptic sci-fi thriller, performed adequately with $1.3 million at just 692 screens to round out the top 10 and give it a 10-day gross of $4.3 million.

Paramount's ''The Two Jakes,'' one of the major disappointments of the year, continued to limp along, with a weekend gross of $27,068 at 57 screens. After 45 days, the ''Chinatown'' sequel has grossed a mere $9.95 million.

The top 10, weekend gross, total gross and weeks in release:

1. ''GoodFellas,'' $6.37 million, 1 week.

2. ''Postcards From the Edge,'' $6.33 million, $17.2 million, 2 weeks.

3. ''Ghost,'' $5.1 million, $148.3 million, 11 weeks.

4. ''Narrow Margin,'' $3.6 million, 1 week.

5. ''Funny About Love,'' $3 million, 1 week.

6. ''Death Warrant,'' $2.8 million, $9.2 million, 2 weeks.

7. ''Flatliners,'' $2.2 million, $51.3 million, 7 weeks.

8. ''Presumed Innocent,'' $2 million, $78.6 million, 9 weeks.

9. ''Darkman,'' $1.5 million, $30.4 million, 5 weeks.

10. ''Hardware,'' $1.3 million, $4.3 million, 2 weeks.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 424.10, off 0.02 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains

distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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NEWARK, N.J. (SEPT. 24) UPI - A federal judge Monday approved a benefit plan for NBA players covering the period between the end of their careers and the time they would begin drawing pensions.

U.S. District Judge Dickinson Debevoise overruled objections by a group of players who argued the plan would reduce the money available for free agents. None of the objectors - who included Magic Johnson, Michael Jordan and Patrick Ewing - attended the hearing.

The judge gave the plan his preliminary blessing in July but gave the objecting players time to seek support.

The pre-pension plan, endorsed by the NBA and the NBA Players Association, is designed to protect players before they become eligible for pensions at age 50. A percentage of each year's receipts are to be set aside for the fund.

Union representatives, including President Isiah Thomas of the Detroit Pistons argued that many basketball players have short careers and are often ill-prepared to find other work at anything like the salaries they were making while playing.

Player representatives approved the plan 26-1 Sept. 10. A player referendum had already endorsed it by a 3-1 margin.

The pre-pension plan was an outgrowth of a suit filed in 1987 in which the union challenged a salary cap and other limits on the movement of players from team to team. That suit was settled during collective bargaining.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI-Autumn arrived in the Southeast a day late Monday, chasing away weekend beach weather and cooling five states to record lows, while rain-choked rivers kept roads closed in much of southwest Texas.

While the South was cooler than normal for the second day of autumn, Rapid City, S.D., basked in 89-degree heat, a record high for Sept. 24. Rain and occasional thundershowers were spotted Monday afternoon over southern Florida, western Texas and northern Maine, and from southwest Oregon into northern California.

Just a day after three Florida cities - West Palm Beach, Fort Myers and Key West - sweltered in record temperatures in the low 90s, the early morning low

Monday plunged to 53 in Jacksonville, breaking a 23- year-old record for Sept. 24 by a whopping 6 degrees.

Apalachicola, Daytona Beach and Orlando also broke or tied their daily records with readings in the mid-50s to mid-60s as cool, dry Canadian air that swept the Northeast over the weekend invaded the deep South.

It was even chillier in other Southern states, hitting a record 41 in Birmingham, Ala., 45 in Atlanta, 42 in Greenville, S.C., and 46 in both Monroe and Shreveport, La.

Southwest Texas reported no new heavy rains since Sunday afternoon, but flood warnings remained in effect along the Rio Grande, from Presidio through the Big Bend National Park to Langtry. A crest almost 8 feet over flood stage was expected Tuesday morning at Dryden, Texas.

At least three roads remained closed in Val Verde County, near Comstock, Texas where the Devils River and other waterways were choked over the weekend by as much as 4 inches of rain in 24 hours.

One road in the county had been reported under 16 feet of water on Sunday.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Afffliated Fund 8.96 9.61

Anchor Fund Inv	13.78	14.62
Delaware Mutual	16.28	17.46
Fidelity Fund	15.99	15.99
Investors Mutual	10.36	10.90
Investors Stocks	17.36	18.28
Investors Select	8.17	8.60
IDS Equity Plus	8.55	9.00
Mass Inv Growth	7.66	8.26
Nicholas Fund	3.25	3.25
United Accumulated	6.09	6.66
United Income	15.77	17.23
Vanguard Wellington	15.47	15.47

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - Crude oil prices surged nearly $3 Monday to more than $40 a barrel for the first time in a decade after Iraq threatened military action against Saudi Arabia and Israel for the tightening U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq.

The price of U.S. unleaded gasoline and home heating oil each rose by nearly 7 cents a gallon.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent shot up $2.80 to $40.40 a barrel.

This is the highest price for crude on world spot markets since November 1980 when crude prices averaged $40.85 a barrel at the start of the eight year Iran-Iraq war, said Cheryl Trench of the Petroleum Industry Research Foundation.

The oil-industry researcher said the all-time high was reached in November 1979 when crude prices averaged $42 a barrel in panic buying triggered by the Iranian revolution and the taking of American hostages.

The U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery ended the day at $38.25 a barrel, up $2.82 over Friday's record close on the New York Mercantile Exchange, which began trading WTI futures contracts in March 1983.

WTI traded as high as $39.20 a barrel during the day's trading on the exchange.

The price of crude on U.S. spot markets was also limited during the 1970s by government price controls, which were not completely lifted until 1981, Trench said.

''(Iraqi President Saddam) Hussein's words were pretty explicit and that caused the market to run,'' said Richard Redoglia, vice president of Merrill Lynch Energy Futures in New York.

''The market has priced itself as if war has started,'' said Michael Hiley of PaineWebber Inc. in New York.

''Not until shots are actually fired are you going to see anyone (take sell positions),'' said Redoglia.

''Saddam threatens and the market moves,'' said Peter Gignoux of Shearson Lehman Hutton Inc.'s London office. ''Here we go again.''

''It's pretty much the one story of Saddam Hussein threatening military action against Saudi Arabia and Israel if the embargo causes pain to his people,'' said Brian Tagler of Shearson's International Energy Desk in New York.

''At these prices we're pretty much in uncharted territory and people are buying out of fear of prices going higher,'' Tagler said.

With the United Nations preparing to vote to add aircraft flights to its embargo on ship cargos, Saddam in a statement broadcast by Iraqi Radio Sunday,

warned, ''America must not go too far and must get out of its mind the idea of pushing events into a military collision.''

The embargo is being used ''in a way that exceeds all humanitarian limits,'' he said.

Saddam added, ''The oil, the areas it is in, and Israel will be transformed into something different from what they are now... The oil areas in Saudi Arabia and in other states of the region, all the oil installations, will be rendered incapable of responding.''

On the Merc, unleaded gasoline for October delivery surged 6.78 cents to $1.0423 a gallon, while October home heating oil soared 6.71 cents to $1.0392 a gallon.

A Merc spokeswoman said gasoline had risen to $1.11 a gallon Aug. 23 of this year and home heating oil's high was $1.15 a gallon reached Dec. 3, 1979.

Merc gasoline prices have now risen 39 cennts, or 62 percent, since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait triggered the world oil crisis.

Trilby Lundberg, director of the Lundberg Survey, said a check of retail gasoline prices at more than 13,000 retail outlets showed the weighted average price rose 2.91 cents over the last two weeks to $1.3835 a gallon, exceeding the previous March 1981 high of $1.3782 a- gallon.

The latest rise brings the total increase since the invasion to 20.64 cents a gallon, or 17.5 percent.

Also on the European spot market, United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - soared $2.70 to $33.85 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt delivery WTI was up $2.70 to $39.05 a barrel.

Sun Co., Radnor, Pa.; Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp. and Conoco Inc., the Houston subsidiary of Du Pont, raised the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead.

Sun's increase was $2.50 to $36.75 a barrel for WTI. The other two raised their postings by $2.75 to a WTI price of $37 a barrel.

Egypt raised its crude oil prices by $3 to $37.30 a barrel for a total monthly increase of $8.50 a barrel, or 29.5 percent, Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported.

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#90267u2128 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 24) UPI - There are indications that Judge David Souter will be confirmed to the Supreme Court. Two swing members of the Senate Judiciary Committee said today they will vote for the nomination of Souter. Democratic Senators Howell Heflin of Alabama and Dennis DeConcini of Arizona say they strongly endorse the New Hampshire jurist nominated by President Bush.

A Czechoslovakian newspaper reports that Prague continues to sell arms and military equipment to Libya, Iran, Ethopia and other countries. Nine months ago, President Vaclav Havel promised to halt the arms sales. The report says despite ''justified reservations'' about the sales, the multi-Million- dollar contracts help keep Czechoslovakia's ailing economy from total collapse.

In Norfolk, Virginia, a federal jury today convicted a Christian Broadcasting Network technician of two satellite-piracy charges. Thomas Haynie was found guilty of transmitting religious messages that interrupted a soft-porn movie on the Playboy Channel. He faces a possible 10-year prison term. Attorneys say the case is the nation's first since Congress made satellite piracy a felony.

A Republican hoping to become New York's governor has a plan for dealing with what he describes as a ''killing emergency.'' Pierre Rinfret wants to train and arm volunteer vigilantes to roam the streets of the Big Apple to battle street thugs. Last week, the G-O-P candidate split with Republican leaders, calling them ''turncoats'' for refusing to donate 950-thousand dollars to his campaign.

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#90267u2131 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 24) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Golden Enterprises	Q	.10	10-24	10-5
UNITIL Corp	Q	.56	11-15	11-3
Distribution				
Hallwood Energy Prtn	Q	.40	11-15	10-3
Zweig Fund Inc	..	.26	10-26	10-12
Usual				
Amer Tel & Tel	Q	.33	11-1	10-3
Anangel-Americal SL	..	.40	10-1	8-31
BellSouth Corp	Q	.67	11-1	10-10
Harsco Corp	Q	.30	11-15	10-15
Knight-Ridder Inc	Q	.33	10-13	10-5

Tektronix Inc	Q	.15	10-29	10-5
Unocal Corp	..	.17 1/2	11-9	10-10

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FREETOWN, Sierra Leone (SEPT. 24) UPI - Liberian rebel Charles Taylor and his chief rival, Prince Johnson, plan to hold peace talks this week, sources said Monday.

Taylor, leader of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia and self- proclaimed president, will meet Johnson at Freeport on Friday, said the sources close to the West Africa peacekeeping force.

There was no official conformation.

Earlier, Taylor said earlier he intends to hold elections for a national assembly Oct. 10. The elected assembly would meet Oct. 15 in the rebel-held town of Ganta.

In an interview with the British Broadcasting Corp., Taylor repeated his claim of being president of Liberia on the grounds that he controls 90 percent of the country.

Taylor said he would reserve seats on the assembly for followers of rival rebel leader Johnson, whose forces executed the late president Samuel Doe two weeks ago.

But in that interview Taylor insisted that Johnson himself would have no role in government, insisting the rival rebel leader is dead.

Johnson is, however, alive, and controls much of the center of Monrovia.

He has been seen often by journalists since the last week of August when Taylor claimed his forces killed Johnson.

Taylor's continuing claims that he is president before an election is held put him on collision course with Johnson, who has repeatedly said that none of the warring factions should assume the presidency until elections are held.

Johnson has not yet commented on Taylor's electoral plans, although his previous statements suggest he will strongly object on the grounds that Taylor is unacceptable to him as a president without having been elected to the position. There also is a great deal of personal animosity between the two men.

Taylor's election plan also undermines the efforts of an interim government

made up of exiled Liberians who are awaiting an opportunity to establish an administration in Monrovia. They will be protected by peacekeeping forces assembled by the Economic Community of West African States.

ECOWAS has become increasingly embroiled in the conflict since it arrived in Monrovia Aug. 24. Despite a cease-fire declared by Taylor Saturday, tension between Taylor and ECOWAS is increasing.

The rebel leader said Monday ECOWAS is party to the conflict and should leave. Nigeria and Ghana, whose troops form the largest part of the 4,000-strong peacekeeping force, sent 1,200 troops to Monrovia Sunday.

Members of the interim government met in Freetown Sunday, but refused to say whether they are intending to travel to Monrovia this week, as has been planned.

ECOWAS officials in Freetown said Taylor's intention of holding national assembly elections in three weeks was unrealistic. More than 400,000 people have fled Liberia and thousands of others have been displaced and not registered as voters where they are living, they said.

The cease-fire declared by Taylor was seen by diplomats in Freetown as an attempt by the rebel leader as to improve his image as a democrat. But by declaring elections that few if any of the exiled Liberian opposition parties will be ready to fight, he is being seen as attempting to secure a mandate by taking advantage of his superior postion within much of the country, senior diplomatic sources said.

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OSHKOSH, WI (SEPT. 24) UPI - Oshkosh Truck Corp.'s $1 billion contract with the U.S. Army will be made official this week, Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., said Monday.

Aspin, chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, said the Army would sign the contract this week. Oshkosh Truck announced last week it would lay off about 175 workers later this year.

''This is good job news for the Oshkosh area, particularly in light of recent layoffs at Oshkosh Truck as a result of decline in other Army truck production '' Aspin said.

The Oshkosh company in July was awarded the contract for the Palletized Loading System, and production was scheduled to begin during November 1991. The firm is the principal supplier of heavy military trucks to the U.S. Army.

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#90267u2165 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - Government investigations of the weight loss industry are shifting from diet aid quacks to ''mainstream'' diet centers with big name programs, used by millions of Americans, coming under new scrutiny.

Richard Kelly, assistant director of consumer protection for the Federal Trade Commission, told a House panel Monday the agency is looking at 14 diet clinics and programs in ''a broad-scale investigation of the diet industry, with major emphasis on diet centers and very low calorie diet programs.''

In testimony prepared for a hearing before a House Small Business subcommittee Kelly emphasized the primary focus of the investigations is not on ''fringe marketers in the weight reduction industry, but on the mainstream companies involved in the promotion and delivery of programs and services to millions of consumers across the country.''

Saying the investigations are ''non-public,'' Kelly declined to name the companies under investigation, but sources familiar with the probe told United Press International it includes the largest, best-known diet centers and programs in the industry.

Included in the investigation, according to the sources, are the eight largest center-based weight loss programs - Weight Watchers, Jenny Craig International The DietCenter, Physicians Weight Loss Centers, Nutri/System, Optifast, Health Management Resources, and Medifast.

The eight represent 75 percent of the center-based market in the diet industry which as a whole rakes in $33 million annually.

''Much of the diet industry is now built on a foundation of false promises and false hopes,''said Rep. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., chairman of the Regulation, Business Opportunities and Energy Subcommittee.

''Before and after photos in ads may picture persons who were never on the diet,'' Wyden said. ''Customers are promised physician-supervised weight loss programs when there's no doctor in the house.''

Kelly told the panel the investigation aims particularly to find ''any false and deceptive claims being made by major marketers of diet services and halt them through negotiated settlements or enforcement actions.''

Kelly said the FTC has already filed court papers charging the multi- state diet center chain Pacific Medical Clinics Management Inc. with fraudulently claiming its amino acid supplements help produce a metabolic change to cause weight loss.

The FTC is also already ''negotiating'' with other major diet centers

''seeking changes in the way the companies involved market their programs,'' Kelly said.

Kelly said he expects the investigations to ''tone down the hype'' in the diet industry and get the message to firms not yet being probed ''that misreprsentations of the safety, efficacy, or price of their diet programs, or of the professional credentials of their staff, will place those marketers at risk of challenge by the commission or state officials.''

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#90267u2192 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - The United States on Monday banned an official Iraqi government aircraft carrying the foreign minister to a United Nations session, and Iraq said it would boycott the General Assembly session as a result.

The decision by both governments appeared to dash hopes that there could be any encounter, planned or by chance, that could lead to a diplomatic resolution of the Persian Gulf crisis.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said the United States, after reviewing the situation, decided it would not permit Tariq Aziz, Iraq's foreign minister, to arrive in the United States aboard a special government aircraft. He would be given a visa to come aboard a commercial airliner.

But the Iraqi government, in a statement from Baghdad, said Monday it will boycott the U.N. General Assembly session if Aziz can't come on the special government plane, rather than a commcerical flight.

''Iraq is boycotting the U.N. General Assembly because the United States has blocked Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz's trip to New York by refusing his plane landing rights,'' Iraq's official Baghdad Radio said.

Aziz had requested he be allowed to fly to New York for the U.N. meetings on an Iraqi government plane.

The decision, which a State Department official said had been ''under review '' was made late Monday afternoon by Secretary of State James Baker. The move appeared to diminish any chance for a diplomatic solution to the crisis in the gulf.

Asked why an Iraqi government airliner would be denied permission to land when an Iraqair plane would also be owned by the Iraqi government, State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said it is because Iraq continues to hold 93 Americans in detention, has refused to allow American diplomats to leave Iraq, and refuses to allow consular access to those detained.

Tutwiler said Aziz's right to come to the United States is not in dispute, and that it is only his right to use ''the convenience of a government aircraft.''

The official Iraqi News Agency reported that Aziz had sent a letter of protest to U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar because the United States had denied permission for his plane to land in New York.

U.S. officials emphasized that the refusal for the government plane had nothing to do with the permission for Azis to arrive, which was not disputed.

But it had everything to do with sending a message to the Iraqi government that every opportunity was going to be taken to inconvenience a government that was holding Americans at key installations as ''human shields'' to discourage U.S. military action and was preventiving another 1,000 Americans in Kuwait and Iraq from leaving.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 24) UPI - A tropical depression strengthened into Tropical Storm Josephine in the open Atlantic Monday, but forecasters said it posed little threat to land.

At 6 p.m. EDT, Josephine was centered near latitude 19.5 north, longitude 34.5 west, or about 600 miles west-northwest of the westernmost Cape Verde Islands off the African coast, National Hurricane Center forecaster Hal Gerrish said.

The storm was nearly stationary, and Gerrish said it likely would remain stalled Monday night before before beginning a gradual northwestward drift Tuesday.

Maximum sustained winds were near 45 mph, and Gerrish said Josephine likely would strengthen by Tuesday. Tropical storm force winds extended as far as 145 miles north and 60 miles south of its center.

Josephine is the 10th named storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30.

It grew from a tropical depression, No. 12, that forecasters had been monitoring since late last week.

Another system, tropical depression No. 11, dissipated Sunday east- northeast of the Leeward Islands.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - President Bush and South African President F.W.

de Klerk proclaimed racial reform in South Africa to be ''irreversible'' Monday, but Bush noted he cannot yet move to lift economic sanctions against it.

Bush, following a two-hour meeting with de Klerk, the first South African president to visit the United States in a half century, said specific conditions must still be met, like freeing political prisoners.

''You can count on us. We will not turn back,'' said de Klerk, who has cut away at his nation's racial segregation system of apartheid since becoming head of the white minority-ruled government last year.

Last winter, in his boldest move, de Klerk freed black leader Nelson Mandela, a political prisoner for 27 years, and legalized Mandela's African National Congress. In recent months, de Klerk opened talks with the ANC on a new constitution that would guarantee equal opportunity for all.

Until all the political prisoners are released, however, U.S. trade sanctions against South Africa, imposed in 1986 as punishment for apartheid, will remain.

Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs Herman Cohen told reporters that de Klerk indicated steps are in progress to release remaining prisoners and the White House read this to mean it would take a few months.

It is unclear, however, when another key requirement to end the sanctions would be met - the lifting of a state of emergency. In remains in effect in the province of Natal, which has been rocked by black-on- black violence in recent months.

Under the law, Bush may ask Congress to lift or modify the trade sanctions if all political prisoners are freed and if any three of four remaining conditions are met.

Cohen said if four of the five conditions are met, Bush ''would move to consult with Congress with the view toward modifying or suspending the sanctions.''

In addition to the ending the state of emergency, only one other condition has not yet been satisfied - repealing the Population Registration Act, which won't happen until a new South African constitution is adopted.

The other two conditions, both met already, were legalization of political parties and the government's entering ''good faith'' negotiations with the ANC.

''We believe the process of change in South Africa is irreversible,'' Bush told reporters after meeting with de Klerk. ''Our goal must be to support the process of change. And, of course, I will consult with Congress on these issues.''

''All of our conditions (for lifting the sanctions) have not yet been made,'' Bush said. ''But let me emphasize that these conditions are clear-cut. I don't believe in moving the goal posts.''

Congress imposed the economic sanctions over President Reagan's veto. Bush, who served as Reagan's vice president and opposed the sanctions, said Monday: ''Clearly, the time has come to encourage and assist the new emerging South Africa.''

De Klerk arrived in Washington Sunday quoting civil rights leader Martin Luther King, and saying a new South Africa is emerging. Yet many complain that de Klerk has not moved far or fast enough.

As Bush and de Klerk held their meeting, dozens of demonstrators paraded outside the White House. Among their chants: ''Free South Africa,'' and ''Mandela, Yes; de Klerk, no.''

Randall Robinson, executive director of TransAfrica, a civil rights group, called the White House meeting ''a superficial photo opportunity ... to put a smiling face on a sad and tragic situation.''

''The American public and U.S. policy-makers must be reminded that major pillars of apartheid remain,'' said Robinson, citing laws that prevent blacks from participating in the government and segregate them in packed townships.

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#90267u2227 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - The State Department says a taped message from Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is on its way to the United States and is expected to arrive late tonight. And in the latest dispute between Washington and Bahgdad, Iraq is boycotting the U-N General Assembly session because the United States will NOT grand landing rights to an Iraqi government plane. U-S officials say Iraq's foreign minister can take a commercial flight. .

President Bush says Washington is NOT backing down in the stand against Iraq, but that does NOT mean Americans can discriminate against Arab-Americans. Bush today condemned what he terms ''appalling acts of hatred'' in the United States, saying the ''crisis abroad is NO excuse for discrimination at home.''

World stock prices plunged during erratic trading today as oil prices surged upward. Analysts say oil prices continue to rise despite a new estimate showing that OPEC members are pumping enough oil to avoid a worldwide energy shortage, at least until winter. They add that demand for oil is higher than OPEC's output, partly because of panic buying. Extra oil is coming from Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Venezuela.

A disappointing day for Pat Robertson and a Christian Broadcasting Network technician. Robertson, the founder of C-N-N, says he is ''disappointed and saddened'' by a federal jury verdict today in Norfolk, Virginia. Thomas Haynie was convicted of two federal satellite- piracy charges for overriding images of scantily clad women with religious messages urging cable viewers to repent.

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#90267u2230 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

CALGARY, Alberta (SEPT. 24) UPI - The president of Conoco Inc. Monday said a 25 cent-a-gallon tax on U.S. gasoline at the pump was needed to help conserve energy, saying the current crisis was more serious than those of the 1970s.

Constantine Nicandros also told the Canadian Energy Research Institute's international conference that the U.S. tax should be raised to 50 cents a gallon over the next five years.

''It seems impossible to encourage people to drive less if gasoline is cheap '' the head of the Houston-based Du Pont subsidary said.

He added, ''Today's situation is more serious than the oil shocks of the past. This time - for the first time - there is a physical shortage of the world's oil-production capacity.''

Alluding to the current and the two oil shocks of the 1970s, he said, ''In less than two decades, we have had three very distinct warnings that clearly showed the value of (conservation) measures. It is time for us to stop ignoring these warnings.''

Even after the increases since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, Americans spend less than 3 percent of their income on gasoline, compared to 4.5 percent in 1978, Nicandros said.

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(SEPT. 24) UPI - A farm labor union today argued in a Portland, Oregon, courtroom that a current state law banning migrant workers from picketing in the field during harvesting time is UNconstitutional. Union lawyer Gene Mechanic said the law violates free speech by banning picketing during harvest time by anyone who is NOT a ''regular'' employee of the farm. Mechanic noted that most farm workers are migrants and therefore NOT ''regular'' employees.

A U-S official says a crucial agreement to send about 100-thousand tons of food to the southwest African nation of Angola may be too late to help children who are close to starvation. Following a visit to the war-torn nation the director of the U-S Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance says the Angolan government has agreed to a United Nations food relief plan.

Speculation and confusion dominated the third day of a Bulgarian Socialist Party congress in Sofia. Today's proceedings were disrupted when party chief Alexander Lilov offered his resignation and then later indicated that he would fight to keep his job. Liberal party members have called for the ouster of members involved in the party's Stalinist past.

Rescue workers are searching for more victims in a northern Mexican city devastated by torrential rain and flooding that has killed at least 40 people. Officials say 200 others are missing and thousands are homeless after the rains wiped out electricity and telephone service. A state of emergency is still in effect in the area 750 miles northwest of Mexico City.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 24) UPI - The Senate voted overwhelmingly Monday to extend additional rights to millions of older workers, passing a compromise bill to bar age discrimination in employee benefit plans.

The bill passed 94-1 - with Sen. James McClure, R-Idaho, the only ''no'' vote - after Sens. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, and Orrin Hatch, R- Utah, announced a technical compromise intended to allay GOP fears that the measure would threaten voluntary early retirement plans and unfairly burden employers.

In addition, the compromise gave in to a Republican demand to exempt federal workers from the legislation.

The bill overturns a Supreme Court ruling that June Betts, an Ohio public employee who suffers from Alzheimer's disease, was not entitled to disability retirement benefits because she was over 60 and only deserved her standard age-and-service pension.

The 7-2 decision by the court last year said age discrimination laws covered hiring and firing, wages and salaries, other fringe benefits, and terms and conditions of employment, but were silent on employee benefit plans.

Known as the Older Workers Benefits Protection Act, the bill, which still must be considered by the House, would amend the 1967 Age Discrimination in Employment Act in two major areas:

-It makes clear that discrimination on the bases of age in virtually all forms of employee benefits is illegal.

-It ensures that older workers are not coerced or manipulated into waiving their rights to seek legal relief.

Metzenbaum said he regretted some parts of the compromise but called it ''our

only real chance for a law this year'' that would help millions of workers.

''This agreement may be a little like a hippopotamus. Right away, some will say that it is big and ugly,'' Hatch added.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 24) UPI - Time Warner Inc. and United International Holdings Inc. said Monday they have agreed to form a joint venture to develop and run cable television systems and programming services in Hungary.

The cost of the 50-50 joint venture was not disclosed.

Time Warner plans to supervise development of programming services, while UIH will supervise the technical upgrading and operation of cable systems.

Hungary's cable industry now serves a half million subscribers.

''The Hungarian cable industry and the local operators have shown tremendous initiative and entrepreneurial spirit in making Hungary the most advanced cable television market in Eastern Europe,'' said Arthur Barron, chairman of Time Warner Enterprises, and Mark Schneider, senior vice president of UIH, in a statement.

Planning for the joint venture is expected to be completed by early December, and a new program service is slated for launch early next year, the companies said.

The Denver-based UIH operates cable television systems in Europe and is managing partner of United Communications International, a joint venture with US West.

Time Warner is a media and entertainment conglomerate formed last year with the merger of Time Inc. and Warner Communications Inc.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 25) UPI - Italian financier Giancarlo Parretti received a major boost Monday in his efforts to buy MGM/UA Communications Inc. with the completion of the sale of his stake in French holding company Groupe Rivaud to French entrepreneur Vincent Bollore.

Parretti spokesman Craig Parsons did not disclose the price of the deal, which has been reported at $341 million. Rivaud holds stocks in numerous French companies.

Parretti's Pathe Communications has paid $353 million in non- refundable down payments since March toward his $1.3 billion deal to buy MGM/UA, but skepticism remains that he will be able to finance the rest of the transaction for the studio.

The deal for MGM/UA, which is controlled by financier Kirk Kerokorian, has a deadline date of Oct. 23.

Time Warner had agreed to provide Pathe with $650 million toward the purchase price in exchange for distribution rights, but the deal fell apart in June and both sides subsequently sued each other.

Parretti and his partner Florio Fiorini jointly owned about half of the Rivaud Group through sub-holding agreements. Nationalized bank Credit Lyonnais is a major lender for both Parretti and Bollore.

Parretti may next sell off his holdings in British and Dutch cinema chains. Those deals could be worth several hundred million dollars.

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#90267u2385 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - The United States will NOT allow the Iraqi foreign minister to take an Iraqi jet to the U-N this week. The State Department says the minister is welcome to take a commercial flight... but Iraq says it will instead boycott the U-N session.

Saudi Arabia today told its embassies to scratch plans for public receptions to mark the anniversary of Saudi unification. The decision comes after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein suggested that terrorists might attack Saudi Arabia.

Crude oil prices gushed above the 40 dollar-a-barrel mark today on the European spot market. The U-S benchmark price for crude oil cleared 38 dollars... almost a three dollar jump above Friday's record close on the new York Mercantile Exchange.

The president of Conoco oil company today said the United States should slap a 25 cent-a-gallon tax on gasoline to help conserve energy. The executive told a conference in Calgary, Alberta, that the Persian Gulf crisis is just another warning of the value of conservation.

The Federal Trade Commission told a House panel today that it is looking into the practices of deceptive claims in the diet industry. Sources tell U-P-I the investigation will go after some of the most well-known diet centers in the country.

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#90267u2401 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 24) UPI - The Senate voted overwhelmingly today for a compromise bill to bar age discrimination in employee benefit plans. The bill reacts to a Supreme Court ruling that a public employee with Alzheimer's Disease is NOT entitled to disability retirement benefits because she was over 60.

A federal court of apeals in Cheyenne, Wyoming, today approved a stay of execution granted condemned killer Mark Hopkinson. A judge is holding off the execution... saying another judge might have issued improper instructions to a jury eight years ago.

Boston Celtics number one draft pick Dee Brown is considering filing a civil suit against police in the posh Boston suburb of Wellesley after being mistaken for a bank robbery suspect. Brown says he wonders if he was suspected simply because he is black.

Autumn made its presence felt in the South today. Several cities set record lows... including Birmingham, Alabama, where the mercury dropped to 41. NO new heavy rains were reported in Texas... but flood warnings remained in effect.

The Mafia drama ''GoodFellas'' entered box office charts with a bullet. The critically-acclaimed movie debuted this weekend in first place in box office receipts. It narrowly edged the comedy, ''Postcards from the Edge.''

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#90267u2489 09/24/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 24) UPI - A personality profile of Saddam Hussein paints the Iraqi leader as an aggressive gambler who may launch a surprise attack sometime next month. The Toronto-based Mackenzie Institute for the Study of Terrorism, Revolution and Propaganda also warns nations opposing Iraq to expect terrorist attacks by people backing Baghdad's cause. .

Word today from an industry analyst will NOT come as a great shock to motorists who have been shelling out more cash at the gasoline pumps. The Lundberg survey says gas prices have risen more than 20 cents a gallon since Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2nd. A check of gas prices Friday showed a national average... including taxes... at about one- dollar-38 a gallon. .

A taped message to the American people from Iraq's leader Saddam Hussein should be hitting T-V and radio airwaves soon. The tape is expected to be released for dissemination to U-S media outlets tomorrow.

The Environmental Protection Agency says 20 paper mills nationwide are contaminating fish by discharging dioxin into streams. Dioxin is generated during the chlorine-bleaching process to whiten wood pulp. The E-P-A says dioxin levels found in fish pose high cancer risks to people who eat at least two quarter-pound meals each month of fish caught downstream of the plants.

Residents in the South African township of Soweto today ended a five- year-old rent and utilities boycott in exchange for having about 200- Million dollars of outstanding debt written off. But a police crackdown on violence in the townships surrounding Johannesburg threatens to ruin the accord. As the strike was ending, South African President F-W de Klerk met in Washington with President Bush.

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#90267u2503 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 24) UPI - Christian Broadcasting Network founder Pat Robertson says he hopes a C-B-N technician appeals a federal jury verdict today in Norfolk, Virginia. Thomas Haynie was convicted on two federal satellite-piracy charges for interrupting soft-porn movies with religious messages. The messages were flashed over steamy cable movies and urged readers to repent. .

Jury selection began today in another case involving what people may and may NOT view. The Cincinnati Contemporary Arts Center and its director face obscenity charges for showing a traveling exhibit of photographs by the late Robert Mapplethorpe. The exhibit included photos of homosexual acts and nude children. The collection drew a record 81- thousand people in Cincinnati during a tour across the nation.

Sources say Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor will meet with his chief rival, Prince Johnson, for peace talks this week. Taylor told the B-B-C he is president of Liberia because he controls 90 percent of the west African nation He also said he intends to hold national assembly elections. Prince Johnson has said Taylor is UNacceptable to him as a president without having been elected to the position.

A panel of scientists says the United States needs to do a better job of collecting and preserving the seeds, plants and tissues that are the base of the nation's agricultural wealth. The panel... part of the National Academy of Sciences... is urging a major overhaul of the National Plant Germ-plasm System. In its report... the panel says- ''The viability of U-S agriculture depends on a flow of enhanced crop varieties.

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#90267u2542 09/24/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (SEPT. 25) UPI - The United States wants access to its largest overseas facilities in the Philippines at the expiration of its basing rights, U.S. Ambassador Nicholas Platt said Tuesday.

In an interview with radio station DZRH, Platt said ''quite a lot'' was accomplished in the four days of talks last week on the 1947 treaty on six U.S. facilities expiring on Sept. 16, 1991.

Platt said the discussions, which were adjourned until next month, ''came to a general consensus on the direction'' the two panels wanted to go.

President Corazon Aquino has called for an ''orderly withdrawal'' of the facilities at the end of the U.S. lease.

U.S. special negotiator Richard Armitage said the United States was prepared to scale down its presence but indicated it would need 10 years to do this.

During the talks, the Philippines served notice it would assume ''sovereign control'' of Clark Air Base and four other facilities upon the termination of the treaty. It also said it was willing to consider a U.S. proposal for phasing down U.S. personnel at the Subic Bay Naval Station.

NO decisions were reached last week and further talks will be held.

Elaborating on the U.S. position, Platt said Washington wanted continued access after the phase-down period.

''I think that some of the specific functions that were interested in maintaining access to at the end of the phase-down process are training in a place like Crow Valley and some training areas at Subic, the military air command flight line at Clark, which is essentially a big airlift capability and ship repair facilities at Subic,'' Platt said.

Subic, with 6,200 servicemen, is a repair and logistics center for the 7th Fleet. Clark, manned by 9,200 airmen, is the home of the 13th Air Force. Its Crow Valley training range allows the use of live ammunition during exercises by U.S. and allied countries.

Washington provides the Philippines $481 million annually for use of Clark and Subic, the oldest and largest facilities outside the United States.

The Philippines has announced plans to turn the facilities into industrial parks, maritime and aviation complexes.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Westwood One Inc. has signed a multiyear group affiliation agreement between Infinity Broadcasting and the company's networks, it was announced Tuesday by Norman Pattiz, chairman and chief executive officer, Westwood One.

The new affiliation pact will include 14 of Infinity's 17 radio outlets -- encompassing eight of the Top 10 major U.S. radio markets -- making it the largest single group affiliation in Westwood One's history.

The Infinity stations involved are: WXRK-FM & WZRC-AM/New York; KROQ-FM/Los Angeles; WBCN-FM/Boston; WJJD-AM & WJMK-FM/Chicago; WYSP-FM/Philadelphia; KOME-FM/San Francisco-San Jose; WOMC-FM/Detroit; WJFK-FM/Washington, WQYK-AM & FM/Tampa, Fla.; and WLIF-AM & FM/Baltimore.

Infinity stations, depending on format, will become affiliates of either the Westwood Mutual Broadcasting System (WMBS), the Westwood NBC Radio Network (WNBC), the Westwood One News & Entertainment Radio Network (WONE) or Westwood One's young adult network, The Source.

The affiliation is another major step in the recently announced reconfiguration of Westwood One's networks and follows significant audience gains in RADAR 41 (the Network Radio ratings service).

The latest RADAR special tabulations indicate that Westwood One's Adult Networks, WMBS, WONE and WNBC, currently rank No. 2, No. 7 and No. 9 respectively among the 16 measured radio networks (a), while the company's Young Adult Network, The Source, ranks No. 1 in RADAR 41(b).

Infinity Braodcasting, based in New York, is the largest independent radio group and is regarded as one of the most successful station operators in the industry.

Westwood One is America's largest producer and distributor of radio programming and the nation's second largest radio network. The company, which is based in Los Angeles, is the parent company of the Mutual Broadcasting System, the NBC Radio Network, The Source, NBC's Talknet and the Westwood One Radio Networks.

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REDMOND, WA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Data I/O Corp. (NASDAQ:DAIO) and Quality Automation, Anaheim, Calif., have entered into a series of options for Data I/O to acquire the assets of Quality Automation.

This acquisition will be consummated over two to three years and includes the exercise of options to purchase new products. The first step, which became effective today, is for Data I/O to assume exclusive worldwide marketing and selling responsibility for all Quality Automation products.

This agreement entails a total consideration, should all options be exercised over the next three years, of approximately $4.0 million.

Quality Automation and Data I/O serve the same end users in manufacturing. The addition of Quality Automation handler-labelers to its product line, thus provides Data I/O an opportunity to generate significant additional sales with relatively little additional selling expense. The two companies also share many sales distributors and representatives around the world.

Quality Automation is a leading manufacturer of automated device handling and labeling equipment for users of programmable integrated circuits in both dual in-line packages (DIP) and surface mount devices (SMD). Quality Automation is the only company to implement pick and place technology for both device handling and labeling of programmable integrated circuits.

Data I/O is the leading manufacturer of logic and memory device programmers for the design and production environments. It also produces design, test and logic synthesis software for programmable integrated cicuits, including programmable logic devices (PLDs) and field programmable gate arrays (FPGAs).

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Software Products International (SPI) Tuesday announced the immediate availability of the Open Architecture Development System (OADS), a C Language Interface allowing developers to incorporate original features or make modifications to the existing functionality and interface of Open Access III.

Open Access III is a database-oriented multifunction business software solution for small- to medium-size businesses incorporating database management, spreadsheet, word processing, communications and desktop tools.

Included in SPI's Open Architecture Development System is a set of C libraries which provides users with complete access to the internal routines used by Open Access III to control windows, menus, calculations, text editing, data conversion, memory allocation and numerous other general utility operations. Access to these routines are necessary to make customizations to Open Access III modules and applications.

The Language Call Reference Manual provides programmers with a complete description and an example of each function. Further guidelines are provided regarding naming conventions, macros, enumerated types, type definitions and the use of global variables.

With the capabilities of the Open Architecture Development System, users can transparently communicate with external devices and data structures, perform

complex calculations or display a company logo on the screen. These functions can be implemented globally throughout Open Access III, or called from the database, spreadsheet, programmer or compiler.

No other multifunction or integrated software program has its own compiler, run-time system and C language interface. SPI recently announced the availability of the Open Access III Compiler and Run-Time System.

Software Products International, based in San Diego, was founded in 1979 to develop, publish and market business software products for personal computers. The company is privately held with international product revenues exceeding $18 million for fiscal 1989. The company maintains subsidiaries or master distributors in West Germany, Spain, the United Kingdom, France, Sweden, Brazil, Italy, Argentina, Canada, Australia and the USSR.

Internationally, SPI's products are sold through dealers, distributors and national accounts. In the United States, products are sold through a national network of computer resellers and distributors.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Corporate Data Sciences Inc. (NASDAQ:CODS) (PSE:CDS) Tuesday announced further information regarding its news release of July 12 with respect to ownership of the company and the anticipated involvement of a new investor group.

The company has been advised by Nelson Asset Management (Nelson), which entity beneficially owns approximately 36 percent of the outstanding shares of the company's stock, that it has reached a preliminary agreement to sell approximately one half of its holdings to a Consolidated Packaging Corp. (CPC) management group, led by its president, Michael Carrender.

CDS owns approximately 90 percent of CPC and, as previously announced, will shortly merge with CPC. Nelson informed the company that it expects to conclude such transaction shortly. Nelson also advised the company that, while it awaits finalization of an agreement with Polly Peck PLC, Polly Peck has agreed to extend the due date of its credit facilities with Nelson during such time.

In a related development, the company is continuing negotiations with the industry-related investment group referred to in the July 12 release and,

although no assurances can be given, the company expects it will reach an agreement shortly whereby the industry-related investment group will purchase, for cash, newly issued CDS shares.

The company will announce further information on all of these developments as soon as possible.

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BROOMFIELD, CO (AUG. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - McDATA Corp. Tuesday announced the addition of the Model 44R to its LinkMaster 4174 family of establishment controllers.

Dubbed an interconnect controller for its ability to transport and receive SNA messages over Ethernet, the Model 44R attaches directly to an Ethernet LAN and supports 3270 coax terminals and personal computers emulating those terminals.

The LinkMaster 44R is unique in its ability to gain access to an IBM mainframe through a channel-attached Ethernet gateway. The McDATA LinkMaster 6100E, first announced in September 1989, provides this gateway feature. It attaches directly to the IBM mainframe channel and the Ethernet LAN. In addition to acting as an SNA gateway for the Model 44R, the 6100E can provide downstream DEC and UNIX users with access to IBM 3270 applications.

With the optional Local Area Transport (LAT) software, the Model 44R provides attached 3270 coax terminals with access to DEC VAX hosts on the Ethernet LAN. Fully configured, the LinkMaster 44R and 6100E can provide both 3270 and DEC users with access to both 3270 and DEC applications.

For organizations with Ethernet installed, the Model 44R interconnect controller can provide coax-attached terminals and PCs with an economic and high-performance path to 3270 applications. Superior performance is achieved through the 6100E's direct channel connection.

Cartwright estimates that in the United States and Europe, Ethernet wiring outnumbers token ring 2-to-1.

The 44R connects to one or two IBM mainframes via one or two 6100E gateways. It supports up to 160 host sessions on 32 coax terminals (five sessions per terminal). Up to 80 sessions can be LAT sessions, and users can hot-key between SNA and LAT sessions. The LinkMaster 6100E supports up to 140 downstream Model 44R interconnect controllers.

The LinkMaster 4174 Model 44R will be available in October for $11,863; LAT

software costs an additional $3,000. The Model 6100E with an SNA gateway, also available in October, is $26,250.

McDATA Corp. designs, manufactures and markets network communications systems worldwide.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Amdahl Corporation today announced a new release of the company's UNIX operating system with enhanced connectivity capabilities and features that significantly improve security and reliability, two areas historically of concern to large-system users. A new series of front-end processors was also announced that will further enhance connectivity of Amdahl's UNIX systems.

The announcement includes UTS Release 2.1, an advanced version of the company's UNIX operating system that links mainframe computers with workstations, minicomputers and supercomputers.

According to Joseph J. Francesconi, Amdahl's senior vice president of software and communications products, this new offering enhances the customer's investment in Systems Network Architecture (SNA) technology by allowing MVS and UNIX systems to coexist as partners in the same operating environment.

Any user terminal connected to the UTS system can sign on to any MVS and VM system in an SNA network through a channel-to-channel connection. Conversely, any 3270 terminal in an SNA network can sign on to the UTS system.

For additional reliability, the system has a new file system option that provides the data integrity of fully redundant disks without their associated cost. In the event of a disk failure, the system allows transparent recovery of missing data and ensures that end-user system operations are uninterrupted.

The UTS system is able to handle the enormous data storage and management needs of large-scale computing complexes with sustained data transfer rates of 25 megabytes per second and single files of up to six terabytes.

"Amdahl's new UTS release is an important step toward UNIX System V Release 4 (SVR4) compliance," said Francesconi. "We have dramatically expanded the system's internal data structures (a SVR4 requirement) while preserving compatibility for existing programs. UTS 2.1 can now provide users with many of the SVR4 features, such as X windowing System and Berkeley System Distribution Release 4.3 Networking."

UTS Release 2.1 was developed in conjunction with AT&T Bell Laboratories Computing Technology Center. The system fully complies with AT&T's UNIX System V Release 3.1 and is the only standalone UNIX system for System/370 compatible processors.

It can run in native mode on a dedicated Amdahl processor or in a domain on those equipped with the company's Multiple Domain Feature. UTS 2.1 can also operate as a VM/XA guest on any compatible System/370 mainframe.

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ANAHEIM, CA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - General Automation Inc. (ASE:GA) announced Tuesday that Paul Morigi, president of Paul Morigi & Co. Inc., a Wall Street stockbrockerage house and member of the American Stock Exchange, has joined its board of directors.

Paul Morigi's appointment follows several years of association with General Automation.

Paul stated, ''I first became involved with GA as an investor around 1974 and I have closely followed the company's progress since that time. I met Len Mackenzie, General Automation's president, in 1980 and have kept close ties with him as GA moved into different areas, particularly in recent years. I am very pleased to be asked to join the board of directors.''

He further commented, ''I believe my role can help the investment community recognize the positive things that have been happening to the company over the last 20 months following the involvement with Sanderson Electronics.

''The current business climate in the computer sector is as difficult as we have seen in the last few years, and for many companies the outlook is difficult, but I am confident that GA's strategy, with complementary businesses worldwide, will support continued positive progress.''

Paul Morigi's appointment follows the recent announcement that Larry Michels, president of the Santa Cruz Operation (SCO), has also joined GA's board of directors.

General Automation Inc. designs and manufactures computer systems for the database-oriented business systems market. Its systems, related applications software, and field service capability are distributed through a multinational network of computer marketing and service support companies in the United States, United Kingdom, Europe, Latin America and the South Pacific/East Asia (SGA).

GA's proprietary GA/Maxial Hotel Property Management system presently operates in 14 countries. Annual revenues of the multinational group are now in excess of $100 million.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Efforts to help restore the economic vitality of South Bay communities following the October 1989 earthquake contributed to Pacific Western Bank receiving an ''outstanding'' rating under a just completed Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) evaluation by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.

Pacific Western Bank is one of California's first major banks to receive the ''outstanding'' rating.

In the CRA's evaluation of the bank's efforts to assist earthquake damaged communities, it stated, ''Involvement by the bank and its management with local groups provided the bank with opportunities to lend financial expertise to help address the communities' needs.

''The bank also provided immediate assistance to earthquake victims by offering customers direct cash grants, with a significant portion going to residents in particularly devastated areas.''

Commenting on the bank's evaluation, Phillip R. Boyce, chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''As an independent community bank, we have a responsibility to promote local growth and stability by supporting local development projects, with special attention to the needs of minority and low- and moderate income residents.

''We are pleased that our commitment has been recognized by the Federal Reserve.''

1990 is the first year in which the CRA requires the Federal Reserve to publicly disclose evaluations. Boyce said: ''We support public disclosure of lending policies and activities. And, consumers should benefit as the increased public awareness will encourage banks to expand reinvestment programs in order to maintain and improve their standing in the community.''

The CRA stresses overall responsiveness to a wide variety of community needs and the willingness to provide credit through accessible and attractive services.

The evaluation of Pacific Western Bank cited its strong loan portfolio which includes government-insured, guaranteed or subsidized loan programs for small farms or small businesses (Pacific Western Bank is one of the few Preferred SBA Status Lenders in the area), and financing to develop low- to moderate-income housing and expand the availability of retirement and convalescent housing.

The evaluation concludes that, ''Management has made an explicit and continuing attempt to assure that, through its extensions of credit and other means of community participation, the bank will contribute to the economic vitality and viability of is delineated community.''

''Our strong local ties help us to identify the community's needs. In the future, as these needs change, we will look for new opportunities to enhance our community reinvestment efforts,'' said Boyce.

He continued: ''Our managers participation with community groups frequently lead us to enhance existing services or introduce new ones. As an example, this past year we changed one of our home improvement products to make it more attractive.

''We also sponsor and participate in a number of outreach programs such as SBA informational workshops, community development lunches for private and public representatives, and mailings to local public and private organizations to obtain feedback on the bank's activities and help assess community needs.''

Headquartered in San Jose, Pacific Western Bank is one of two major independent banks in Northern California. The bank has $1.3 billion in assets and operates 28 locations in Santa Clara, Santa Cruz and Monterey counties.

Pacific Western Bank is a subsidiary of Pacific Western Bancshares Inc., a bank holding company also based in San Jose.

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CAMARILLO, Calif. (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - California Amplifier Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CAMP) Tuesday reported operating results for the second quarter of fiscal 1991.

Sales for the quarter ended Sept. 1, 1990, were $3.7 million, a 32 percent increase compared with sales of $2.8 million for the same period a year earlier. Net earnings for the quarter was $111,000, or 3 cents per share, compared with net earnings of $79,000, or 2 cents per share, for the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

For the six months ended Sept. 1, 1990, sales increased to $7.2 million, up 37 percent from the $5.3 million for the same period a year earlier. Net earnings for the period was $166,000 vs. a net loss of $45,000 for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1989.

Commenting on the second-quarter results, Barry W. Hall, chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''The increase in sales was due to a 75 percent increase in the sale of microwave telecommunications products. This was offset by a decrease of 25 percent of sales of defense-related products. While we are pleased with this increase, we are not satisfied.''

Hall added: ''To continue to grow at our current rate, we must introduce new wireless cable products and more fully develop our foreign markets. During the third and fourth quarters, we should begin to realize sales from these efforts.''

California Amplifier designs, manufactures and markets components and integrated subsystems used in microwave telecommunications. Applications for these products include commercial satellite earth stations, home satellite dishes and wireless cable systems.

CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC.
STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per-share data)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	Sept. 1, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989	Sept. 1, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
Sales	$3,701	$2,850	$7,237	$5,290
Cost of sales	2,725	1,986	5,363	3,804
Gross profit	976	864	1,874	1,486
Operating Expenses:				
Research and development	40	117	82	221
Selling, general and administrative expenses	760	623	1,502	1,233
Earnings from operations	176	124	290	32
Interest, net	58	45	112	77
Earnings (loss) before taxes	118	79	178	(45)
Provision for income taxes	7	--	12	--
Net earnings (loss)	$ 111	$ 79	$ 166	$ (45)
Earnings (loss) per share	3 cents	2 cents	4 cents	(1 cent)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,360	3,977	4,250	3,977 T

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RICHARDSON, TX (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Computer Automation Inc. Tuesday reported that revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 were $10,204,000, down from $17,209,000 in the prior year.

A loss on operations of $4,831,000, or $1.95 a share, was incurred for the year, which compares with an operating loss of $3,358,000, or $1.42 a share, in fiscal 1989.

The company also reported that lacking an opportunity to achieve a satisfactory disposition of its automatic test equipment (ATE) business and the decision to continue this activity on a reduced basis, results for fiscal 1990 show a reversal of the loss on disposal of discontinued operations of $2,670,000, or $1.08 a share, reported in fiscal 1989.

The amount represents the costs of personnel and facilities terminations, as well as the estimated additional losses related to the ATE operations in fiscal 1990, had the ATE operation been discontinued. After this reversal, the net loss for fiscal 1990 was $2,161,000, or 87 cents a share, which compares with a net loss of $6,028,000, or $2.54 a share, including the loss on disposal, in fiscal 1989.

George Pratt, the company's chairman and chief executive officer, noted that the company received several proposals during fiscal 1990 regarding the ATE activity but a satisfactory agreement on price and terms could not be achieved. Consequently, the scope of the ATE activity was reduced to a manufacturing and service activity in support of the installations at the existing customer base.

In addition, Pratt stated that the company continues to provide engineering support for the Strider Enhanced Ironman ATE system, which is capable of addressing the vast majority of the functional test requirements as they exist in the market today.

Pratt also said that the ATE operation had been moved to a smaller facility in Irvine, Calif., which should more efficiently house the activity.

Meanwhile, the company disposed of its printed circuit board facility, having sold the capital equipment and transferred the lease prior to the close of the fiscal year, and was attempting to sublease its former headquarters and manufacturing facility in Irvine, as well as vacant offices in New Jersey and Arizona.

William Osmundsen, the company's president, said that although the company has reduced its workforce in the last twelve months by one-half, it has been

fortunate in that the employees necessary to the business have chosen to stay with the company.

He also noted that while cash flow shortages have continued through September, the company's vendors on the whole have been patient and worked with the company during this difficult period. He stated that the company expects that receipts from large orders in hand will provide needed cash flow in the second quarter of fiscal 1991 to alleviate this problem.

Computer Automation Inc. is a manufacturer of high performance automatic test systems for testing electronic circuit boards. The company also manufactures digital minicomputers, microcomputers and facsimile subsystems. Though a wholly owned subsidiary, Talon Technology, the company also manufactures ruggedized PCs for military and industrial uses.

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OAKLAND, CA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of American President Companies Ltd. (NYSE/BSE/MSE:APS) Tuesday declared a regular quarterly dividend on the company's common stock in the amount of 15 cents per share, payable Nov. 30, 1990 to stockholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

A regular quarterly dividend was also declared on the company's Series C Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock in the amount of $1.125 per share, payable Dec. 15, 1990 to stockholders of record on Dec. 1, 1990.

American President Companies Ltd. provides container distribution and transportation services within and between Asia and North America through an intermodal system combining ocean, rail and truck transportation.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Sterling Bancorporation (OTC) (not to be confused with the NYSE company of the same name) Tuesday announced the election of Hassan Izad to its board of directors.

Izad has served as a director for the company's subsidiary, Sterling Bank, since Nov. 15, 1988, and was recently elected a director of the bank's mortgage company subsidiary, BSC Mortgage Corp. This election brings the number of directors of Sterling Bancorporation to nine.

Izad is the president of Westown Development Corp., a Los Angeles-based real estate development company, and the president of Ferris Industrial Products.

Izad has a bachelor of science degree in engineering, obtained in 1968, and a master of science degree in systems engineering, obtained in 1970, both from the University of Southern California.

Izad was born in Teheran, Iran, and presently resides with his wife, Carol Elizabeth Wade Izad, in Malibu, Calif.

Sterling Bancorporation is the holding company for Sterling Bank, a specialist commercial bank, BSC Mortgage Corp. and Sterling Business Credit Inc., a commercial finance company.

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PORTLAND, OR (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Portland General Corp. (NYSE:PGN) has amended its Retirement Savings Plan, a tax-qualified employee benefit plan, to include an employee stock ownership plan (ESOP).

The plans are available to employees of all of Portland General's subsidiaries including Portland General Electric Co. (PGE), its principal subsidiary.

Approximately $36 million of Portland General's common stock will be purchased on the open market over the next six months by the trustee for the ESOP. Funds for the trustee to purchase the stock will be provided primarily from a loan by PGE. The utility anticipates obtaining external funding for the loan through a private placement or public offering of debt.

''This plan enables us to offer our employees a benefit package that is competitive within our industry,'' said Portland General Chief Executive Officer Ken Harrison. ''Since an ESOP generally promotes stock ownership among employees, this gives employees of all Portland General's companies a long term stake in the corporation's success and allows them to participate in its growth and profits.''

Portland General Corp. is listed on the New York and Pacific stock exchanges. It is an energy holding company headquartered in Portland.

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LAFAYETTE, CA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - San Francisco radio station KXXX-FM has been sold by Emmis Broadcasting Corp. to Bedford Broadcasting Co. for $18.5 million, the two companies announced in Lafayette Tuesday.

The total cost includes the price of the station, and non-compete and consulting contracts with Emmis Broadcasting.

Both parties are filing an application with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to transfer the operating license. The transaction is expected to be completed no later than mid-January 1991.

Known as ''X-100,'' KXXX-FM has been owned by Indianapolis-based Emmis since September 1988. Before then the station was owned by NBC, with the call letters KYUU-FM.

The acquisition is the third in six months for Bedford Broadcasting Co., which is part of the Bedford Group of Companies headquartered in Lafayette. In May, the company bought KSSK-AM and KSSK-FM in Honolulu.

Morgan Stanley acted as Emmis Broadcasting's financial advisor for this transaction. Elliot Evers of San Francisco based Media Venture Partners assisted Bedford Broadcasting Co.

An affiliated company, Bedford Properties, has been active in California for 25 years and now maintains operations in 18 states. The privately held company is active in developing industrial and office parks commercial/retail centers, land development, single-family home construction and multifamily residential development and management.

Bedford Properties' portfolio currently includes more than 13 million square feet of buildings and improved properties, and over 40,000 acres of land.

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ANAHEIM, CA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Oracle Corporation, the world's largest supplier of database software and services, today announced Real-Time Support Services for Oracle's support customers.

Real-Time Support Services (RTSS) represent the cornerstone of an extensive, company-wide quality program dedicated to excellence in customer support, products and service.

RTSS is based on a state-of-the-art, automated call management system. This system, which was in development over several months with the help of key users, will facilitate immediate access to support experts who are able to provide assistance virtually in real time.

''Oracle's RTSS represents a significant leap forward in service to the customer. It should drastically decrease our backlog and dramatically improve our responsiveness to customers. We believe that it will eventually become the standard model for our industry,'' said Doug Allred, vice president of Oracle Worldwide Support.

Allred added that Oracle faces a particularly complex support challenge. Oracle's products run on more than 80 hardware platforms and support multiple operating systems and applications, creating a matrix of potential support issues faced by no other company. The Customer Controls the Call

Oracle Corporation, headquartered in Redwood Shores, Calif., is the largest supplier of DBMS software and the third-largest software and services company in the world.

Oracle develops and markets an integrated line of software products for database management, applications development, decision support and office automation, as well as families of financial and manufacturing applications packages. All Oracle products are available on PCs, minicomputers and mainframes, and ORACLE is the first and only database to run on supercomputers.

The company offers its products, along with related consulting, education and support services, in 92 countries around the world. Oracle is a publicly held corporation whose shares are traded on NASDAQ/NMS with ticker symbol ORCL.

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BROOMFIELD, CO (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - McDATA Corp. Tuesday announced that

it has expanded its LinkMaster product offerings and signed two major sales and distribution agreements.

McDATA added the LinkMaster 4174 Model 44R interconnect controller to is core line of 3270-compatible controller products. The Model 44R supports 3270 coax terminals and personal computers emulating those terminals.

It attaches to an Ethernet LAN and provides users with access to an IBM mainframe via a channel-attached gateway. The McDATA LinkMaster 6100E, first announced in September 1989, serves as an SNA gateway for the Model 44R.

With optional Local Area Transport (LAT) software, the Model 44R also provides coax-attached terminals and PCs with access to DEC VAX hosts on the Ethernet.

McDATA introduced two new fiber optic channel extenders, the LinkMaster 5200F-Laser and the LinkMaster 4174F-CX. The 5200F-Laser transmits data with a laser instead of a light emitting diode (LED), increasing the distance that data can be sent over fiber optic cabling from 10 to 40 kilometers.

The 4174F-CX is a product package of two channel extenders plus a local 4174 Model 11L establishment controller providing local response times for coax-attached terminals and personal computers. The Model 4174F-CX is positioned with price/performance advantages for McDATA's original equipment manufacturer (OEM) partners.

McDATA also announced the signing of two major sales and distribution agreements. The first initiates a strategic partnership with Network Solutions, a network consultant and systems integrator company based in Sydney Australia.

The two-year renewable agreement designates Network Solutions as the exclusive Australian distributor of McDATA LinkMaster channel extension and network processor products.

McDATA also renewed an OEM agreement with Harris Adacom of Dallas, who will continue selling the LinkMaster 4174 series of establishment controllers as part of its Challenger product line. Harris Adacom markets the products in the United States, Canada, and Europe and has had an OEM relationship with McDATA since 1984.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - British Telecom Inc. (NYSE:BTY) Tuesday announced its new Videocodec VC2100 which offers improved picture quality at lower data rates as well as multi-vendor compatibility.

Announced at the Tele-Communications Association convention from booth 614, the British Telecom Videocodec VC2100 is among the first codecs to comply with the recently announced CCITT H.261 international standard for videoconferencing.

Videoconferencing allows a meeting between groups of people at separate locations, linked by television. Users can see and hear each other simultaneously and can show documents, plans or products to other locations.

Video codecs,the critical components of videoconferencing systems, digitize and compress TV picture signals which are then transmitted over private and public data networks worldwide.

The VC 2100 offers a range of transmissions speeds including 56 Kbps, 1.544 Mbps (T1) and 2.048 Mbps (E1), allowing users to integrate video, voice and data traffic. Full duplex, open sound at wideband frequencies, provides interactive conversation.

Standard features of the new British Telecom video codec, including data rate and operation mode, can easily be changed on-site by using a set of control buttons and an LCD built into the unit, or remotely through an intelligent interface via any RS-232C terminal or personal computer.

The VC 2100 is available with a built-in adapter which connects to ISDN circuits for worldwide dial-up conferencing.

The VC 2100 is priced at $44,500.

British Telecommunications plc., generally known as British Telecom, is a leading world player in telecommunications. It operates one of the largest networks in the world and offers a wider range of international services than any other telecommunications company.

British Telecom has annual revenues of over $20 billion and employs approximately 240,000 staff in 30 countries.

British Telecom Inc., headquartered in New York, and BT Tymnet Inc., based in San Jose, Calif. -- jointly under the direction of Mark Baker, president and chief executive offer -- coordinate the activities of British Telecom in the United States and Canada.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Two industrial giants in the United States and Korea announced Tuesday that they are teaming to pursue a contract to introduce domestic satellite communications to South Korea.

The partners in the teaming arrangement are the El Segundo-based Space and Communications Group of Hughes Aircraft Co., a unit of GM Hughes Electronics, and Samsung Co. Ltd., the international division of the Samsung Group of Seoul Korea.

In addition, Hughes subsidiary Hughes Network Systems has signed an agreement making Samsung Co. its representative in Korea for sales of ground station equipment for satellite systems.

The South Korean government has announced it wants to establish a domestic satellite system with data, voice and video communications and direct-broadcast television capabilities. A request for proposals is expected in spring of 1991, with a contract awarded in early 1992 and satellite launch scheduled for 1995.

Hughes is the world's leading manufacturer and largest private operator of commercial communications satellites. Hughes' domestic and regional satellites service such Pacific Rim areas as China, Thailand, Japan, Indonesia and Australia. Hughes satellites also provide international service for INTELSAT.

Hughes Network Systems, with headquarters in Germantown, Md., is a world leader in advanced digital telecommunications and a premier provider of interactive very small aperture terminals. Hughes also is a major supplier of defense electronics.

Samsung -- one of the largest Korean conglomerates, including the fields of trade, electronics, telecommunications, heavy industries, precision instruments and chemicals -- considers information systems and aerospace major future businesses. Samsung has more than 200 offices around the world.

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BROOMFIELD, CO (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - McDATA Corp. has renewed its agreement to provide Harris Adacom Corp. of Dallas with its LinkMaster series of 4174 establishment controllers.

Harris Adacom markets McDATA controllers in the United States, Canada and Europe.

Under the terms of the agreement, Harris Adacom will continue marketing and selling McDATA LinkMaster establishment controllers as part of its Challenger product line. McDATA's business relationship with Harris Adacom began in 1984. The new contract went into effect in July of this year.

Harris Adacom Vice President of Marketing Ed Grace commented, ''We look forward to continuing what has been a mutually beneficial relationship with McDATA.''

McDATA's Director of International Sales John Atkinson agreed saying, ''Our relationship with Harris Adacom has always been rewarding, and we anticipate continued success.''

McDATA's LinkMaster 4174 establishment controller provide IBM 3270 mainframe communications for coax-attached terminals and personal computers. The LinkMaster products are fully compatible with IBM 3270 products. Models are available to support large, medium and small clusters of coax and ASCII devices. Token-Ring LAN gateway and downstream models also are available.

McDATA Corp. designs, manufactures and markets network communications systems worldwide.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - W. Thomas Johnson, president of CNN, a wholly owned subsidiary of Turner Broadcasting System Inc. (ASE:TBS), has been nominated to join the TBS board of directors, it was announced Tuesday by R.E. Turner, TBS president and chairman of the board.

His election is expected to be effective Sept. 26.

''In a very short time, Tom has become an invaluable member of our management team at TBS,'' said Turner. ''His years of experience in communications and government will be a great resource for the board.''

Johnson joined TBS this past August. Previously, he was chairman of the Los Angeles Times and vice chairman of the Times Mirror Co. He joined the Times

in 1977 as president and chief operating officer, and in 1980, was named publisher and chief executive officer.

Johnson began his career at the Macon, Ga., Telegraph and News. In 1965, he was named a White House Fellow and served as aide to presidential press secretary Bill D. Moyers. He became deputy press secretary in 1967; special assistant to President Lyndon B. Johnson in 1968; and executive assistant to the president in 1969.

In 1971, Johnson was named executive vice president of Texas Broadcasting Corp., the Lyndon Johnson family broadcasting company that included KTBC-TV, Austin. Following the death of former President Johnson and the sale of KTBC-TV to Times Mirror in 1973, Johnson was named editor of the Dallas Times Herald by Times Mirror. Two years later, he became publisher.

Johnson received a journalism degree from the University of Georgia and an MBA from Harvard Business School. He currently serves as chairman of the Stanford Professional Journalism Fellowship Program and chairman of the LBJ Foundation. He also serves on the board of trustees of the Rockefeller Foundation and the board of directors of The Associated Press.

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DENVER (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Random Access Inc. (NASDAQ:RNDM), one of the Rocky Mountain Region's fastest-growing microcomputer resellers, Tuesday announced it has closed a secondary offering of securities that raised $1 million in gross proceeds.

In the offering, which was managed by Cohig & Associates of Denver, 500,000 units were sold to the public at $2 per unit. The units consist of two shares of common stock and one common stock purchase warrant exercisable until Dec. 28, 1994, at $2 per warrant.

Proceeds of the offering will be used for the development of four ''Apple Centre'' sales facilities, expansion of the Company's Service Access division, purchase of a minicomputer-based automation system, and development of a memory distribution division.

Upon completion of the offering, Random Access had 5,600,255 shares and 849,450 warrants outstanding. Of the 5.6 million shares outstanding, Bruce Milliken, president and chief executive officer, owns 2,927,334 shares, 2

million of which have been placed in escrow by Milliken under an earnout provision.

Random's units, common stock and warrants trade on the NASDAQ system under the symbols RNDMU, RNDM and RNDMW respectively.

Random's sales have increased dramatically over the past five years, from $278,000 in 1985 to $22 million in 1989. The company has been profitable in each of those years. As a result of its strong revenue growth since 1985, the company was cited by Inc. Magazine as being the 15th fastest growing small public company in the United States. Through nine months of fiscal 1990 Random reported net income of $303,000, or 7 cents per share, on revenue of $24 million.

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PHOENIX (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Nix-O-Tine Pharmaceuticals Ltd. (NASDAQ:NIXXF, VSE:NIX.V) announced the appointment of Lee Wahl as senior vice president of sales.

Wahl joins Nix-O-Tine after a 10-year association with SmokEnders, a leader in the smoking cessation industry.

During his association with SmokEnders, he was a trained instructor for their behavioral stop-smoking program. He served as a regional marketing representative, national sales and marketing manager; and as vice president and general manager led SmokEnders to its four most profitable years in their 22-year history. Wahl's background also includes 20 years of sales, management and ownership in commercial radio broadcasting.

''We are proud to have Lee join the Nix-O-Tine team,'' said K. John Harrison, president and chief executive officer. ''Lee has been involved in all phases of the smoking cessation business and adds an important dimension to our growing company.''

Nix-O-Tine owns the patent on a drug for the treatment of the strong craving and other related symptoms of nicotine withdrawal. Since the medical component is not a form of nicotine or a nicotine substitute, smoking is not being replaced with another possible addiction. This drug has a 25-year history of use for other medical disorders.

Wahl stated, ''I am looking forward to the opportunities and challenges offered by Nix-O-Tine. The Nix-O-Tine medical component really excites me. It has long been my belief that a solid behavioral program combined with a credible medical component would make a major impact on smoking cessation. Nix-O-Tine is giving new hope to smokers who have tried to quit before and offers encouragement to all smokers who may be reluctant to take on the tough job of quitting smoking.''

Phoenix-based Nix-O-Tine is a health service company engaged in smoking cessation, weight management and diagnostic testing markets. Nix-O-Tine owns the LungCheck Test which provides early detection of lung disease. It can identify abnormal cells three to five years before cancer can be detected on an x-ray.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Bell announced Tuesday completion of a technology test of a system that will allow business customers more control of network management functions.

The initial capabilities will be offered without charge by year's end.

The new system, called Pacific Bell Service Manager, will allow customers to access certain of the company's customer support systems electronically, using common computer terminals. Through Pacific Bell Service Manager, customers will be able to order Pacific Bell services, test certain ones and issue trouble reports.

Pacific Bell Service Manager will provide customers the following capabilities:

- Service Request -- Allows customers to order Pacific Bell services and receive confirmation, cancel or change active orders, check order status and obtain a history of orders.

- Trouble Reporting -- Customers can initiate trouble reports directly into Pacific Bell's maintenance system, perform status checks and access trouble histories.

- Service Testing -- Permits customers to conduct on-line tests of services such as basic business lines, CENTREX, COMMSTAR, 800 Service and multiline hunt groups, and issue trouble reports.

- Access to Other Services -- Links customers with Pacific Bell's Customer Network Reconfiguration service for Advanced Digital Network (ADN), a

private-line data service, and a planned communications management system for CENTREX and CENTREX IS (Integrated Systems), Pacific Bell's Integrated Services Digital Network offering.

Board said the company already is evaluating a variety of other capabilities as potential additions to Pacific Bell Service Manager, such as alarm monitoring, inventory services and traffic information.

Pacific Bell is a subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, a diversified worldwide telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

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MONTEREY PARK, CALIF. (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameron (NYSE) has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 32 cents per share of common stock payable Nov. 20, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 25, 1990.

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PHOENIX (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - America West Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) confirmed Tuesday that it is negotiating with manufacturers and certain potential lessors for the acquisition of Airbus A320 aircraft together with related financial support and aircraft purchase options.

''The possible transaction has not been finalized and an appropriate announcement will be made if the transaction is consummated,'' Michael J. Conway, president of America West stated.

He added, ''Reports that we have had discussions with Pan Am concerning its shuttle are accurate, however, such discussions are ongoing and have not resulted in any agreements, and speculation in the press over the possible purchase price is premature and not well founded.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - IDB Aero-Nautical Communications Inc.

(IDB-A), a supplier of mobile communications services via satellite to the aviation and maritime industries, has signed reciprocal transit agreements with both Overseas Tele-Communications Limited (OTC) of Australia and Morsviazsputnik of the Soviet Union to facilitate services to the maritime industry.

IDB-A has also chosen Hughes Network Systems Inc. for the construction of three Inmarsat standard A coast earth stations for maritime communications. The intial maritime services represent the first mobile satellite service offered by IDB-A since the joint venture was formed by IDB Communications Group Inc. (NASDAQ:IDBX) and Teleglobe International (U.S.) Inc. in February 1990.

The agreements with OTC Maritime-Australia and Morsviazsputnik-U.S.S.R. to carry IDB-A's maritime traffic will permit the start of service prior to the completion of IDB-A's permanent facilities in Los Angeles and New York.

The contracts give IDB-A coverage of the Atlantic Ocean region through Morsviazsputnik in Odessa and access to the Pacific Ocean region through OTC in Perth during the interim service period. In addition, the contract with OTC allows IDB-A long-term exclusive access to the Indian Ocean operating region as a permanent addition to the network.

In return, IDB-A will give OTC long-term access to the Western and Eastern Atlantic Ocean operating regions from their teleport facilities in Los Angeles and New York.

Through these agreements, IDB-A now boasts facilities offering global coverage to maritime users. The OTC agreement has positioned IDB-A as the first U.S. provider of maritime communications services to offer satellite coverage of the Indian Ocean region and has provided IDB with a long-term revenue source.

Jon Klein, newly appointed vice president of maritime services at IDB-A, explains, ''These agreements with OTC and the Soviets allow IDB-A to turn service up for our initial maritime customers as soon as Dec. 1, without having to wait for construction of the permanent facilities to be completed.''

Robert Eichberg, IDB-A's new vice president of maritime sales, comments: ''With these agreements in place, IDB-A has become a competitive force in the maritime communications industry. As of Dec. 1, we are a full-service carrier in the truest sense, offering our customers global coverage at rates significantly lower than the competition.''

IDB-A has also initiated separate plans to use Hughes Network Systems Inc. to construct three permanent coastal earth stations. The installations will provide phone, telex, facsimile and data communications services between terrestrial facilities and ships at sea via the Inmarsat satellite system.

Hughes will build dual earth stations in Niles Canyon, Calif., to address the Pacific and Western Atlantic Ocean regions, and one earth station at IDB's teleport facilies in Staten Island, N.Y., to address the Eastern Atlantic Ocean region. IDB is investing $6.5 million in the new installations, which are expected to begin carrying transmissions next summer.

Andrew Worth, president of Hughes Network Systems International, comments: ''Hughes is committed to IDB Aero-Nautical's success in the commercial maritime services industry. The Inmarsat-A system was chosen for its high capacity, reliability and flexibility. We are pleased to have been selected by IDB-A as part of their exciting entry into maritime mobile services.''

In his position, Jon Klein is overseeing the development of IDB Aero-Nautical's maritime services. He joined IDB-A from Comsat where he specialized in marketing maritime communications services internationally. Prior to Comsat, Klein was vice president of maritime operations at Sea-Land, controlling more than sixty vessels around the globe for the largest container-shipping company in the United States.

Robert Eichberg is marketing the ''one-stop shopping'' features of IDB-A's end-to-end mobile satellite communications services. He recently retired as vice president, maritime sales and marketing from Comsat, where he spent 16 years as one of the pioneers in sales of products and services on the Marisat and Inmarsat maritime communications satellite systems.

With a wide background in seismology, oceanography and marine construction, Eichberg is widely regarded as an expert in maritime communications services for the offshore oil, passenger and government industry sectors.

IDB-A announced last June its intention to market mobile telecommunications services to the maritime industry as well as the aviation industry. IDB-A plans to market ship-to-shore satellite communications services to maritime users, including commercial shipping fleets, fishing vessels, oil rigs and tankers and pleasure cruise lines.

This year, the size of the maritime market for U.S. service providers alone is estimated to be approximately $100 million, with over 10,000 ships using the maritime services worldwide.

IDB Communications has accomplished a number of firsts in communications with the Soviet Union, starting in 1987 with the first transmission by a U.S. carrier from inside the Soviet Union. IDB has operated the only full-time satellite link for high-speed digital communications between the United States and the Soviet Union since November 1988.

A new television transmission service, ''Sputnik Express,'' operates on the Soviet Intersputnik satellite system.

Jeffrey Sudikoff, chairman and chief executive officer of IDB comments, ''This agreement with Morsviazsputnik represents the next step in furthering our mutually beneficial relationship with the Soviets, by involving them in the new markets IDB-A is exploring for telecommunications services.''

IDB Aero-Nautical's offices are in Rockville, Md. IDB Communications Group Inc. is a leading supplier of transmission services for radio, television, data and voice communications via satellite and fiber optics.

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REDWOOD CITY, CA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Oracle Corporation (NASDAQ: ORCL), developer and marketer of an integrated family of database tools and applications, today announced first quarter revenues and operating results for the period ending August 31, 1990, the first quarter of its 1991 fiscal year.

For the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended August 31, 1990, revenues increased 16 percent to $204 million from $175 million in the same period last year. Net income fell to a loss of $36 million from $12 million profit in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Earnings per share fell to a loss of $0.27 from income of $0.09 in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

"While we are disappointed with our first quarter results, we expect to return to profitability in our second quarter," said Lawrence Ellison, Oracle's CEO. "The management and organizational changes we have implemented are a necessary part of our transition to a more conventional growth rate." Additional information on the first-quarter results is in the attached schedules.

For further information about Oracle, call Oracle Corporate Headquarters at 800-345-DBMS (345-3267), or write to Oracle Corporation at 500 Oracle Parkway, Redwood City, CA 94065.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Cipher Data Products Inc. Tuesday

announced that it has adapted its two most advanced nine-track reel-to-reel tape drive systems for use with the full range of Sun Microsystem computers, including Sun's powerful, high-speed, supermicro, SPARC workstation. The

Cipher products now available for connection to Sun's systems are the F880ES (Embedded SCSI) and the M995s. The F880ES drive is the latest generation of the computer industry's best-selling Phase Encoded (PE) tape drive, providing recording densities of 1600 bpi and offering an embedded Small Computer Systems Interface (SCSI).

The addition of the embedded SCSI results in reduced cost and higher reliability, making the drive a cost-effective device for a wide variety of Sun Microsystem applications, including real-time generation of CAD/CAM, CAE, graphics and desktop publishing.

The Cipher M995 system, a low-profile Group Encoded Recording (GCR) drive, offers a choice of ANSI/IBM 1600/6250 recording densities in a compact 8-3/4-inch-high drive. The M995 will improve Sun Microsystem overall performance by saving valuable backup and restore time.

A four-megabyte-per-second transfer rate with the SCSI interface provides fast backup and a 270 mb storage capacity recording at high-density 6250 bpi on one mil. tape minimizes reel changes to further shorten backup time.

In making the product announcement, Cipher President Craig V. Turner said: "Our engineers have incorporated special firmware within both the F880ES and the M995s drives to meet the requirements of all the Sun Systems, especially the SPARC workstation, and we have also added special connectors to make the hardware interface.

"As a result, the F880ES and M995 systems are ideal interchange products for Sun Microsystems allowing graphics to move from station to station or from department to department."

Both of the customized Cipher tape drives are available in rack mount or desktop configurations and are available to end users in the United States from Arrow Electronics Inc., as well as through the Cipher network of regional distributors. Suggested end-user pricing ranges from $4,995 for the F880ES to $9,750 for the M995.

Cipher Data Products Inc. is a leading supplier of removable information storage solutions. Founded in 1968, the company designs, manufactures and markets a broad range of 1/2-inch magnetic tape and cartridge drive systems providing interchange, data backup and storage solutions for a variety of computers.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Harold (Hal) Grimm, ELDEC senior vice president, died Sept. 25 in Seattle following a brief illness.

Grimm joined ELDEC in 1967 from the Boeing Co. He worked in design engineering and was instrumental in the development of the company's line of solid state proximity switch systems for aircraft. In 1978, he was promoted to vice president. In 1986 he was named senior vice president. At the time of his death, Grimm headed the company's largest division, the Aircraft Systems Division, producers of sensing devices and power conversion equipment for commercial and military aircraft.

ELDEC Vice President Dick Simmons is acting as interim general manager of the division. The company is in the process of selecting a permanent replacement.

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DENVER (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Public Service Co. of Colorado's board of directors Tuesday named Ralph Sargent III as company treasurer.

He is assuming the new duties from Richard C. Kelly, who will continue as the company's senior vice president of finance and chief financial officer.

As treasurer, Sargent will have executive management responsibility for Public Service Co.'s treasury operations, financial research and analysis and corporate planning.

Sargent joined the company in 1977 and most recently was the executive assistant to the chairman, president and chief executive officer. His previous company positions include serving as assistant to the senior vice president of nuclear operations, as director of organization development and as supervisor of the company's residential marketing efforts.

Sargent has a master's degree in business administration from the University of Colorado at Denver and a bachelor's degree in marketing from the University of Colorado at Boulder.

A native Denverite, his community activities include serving on the board of trustees for the Thorne Ecological Institute, on the advisory committee for the Public Education Coalition, and on the United Way Special Projects Subcommittee for Funds Distribution. Sargent also is a member of the Denver

task force on Early Childhood Education.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of WD-40 Co. (NASDAQ:WDFC) have elected Gerald C. Schleif to the post of president and chief operating officer.

Long-time WD-40 President John S. Barry was elected chairman and will remain chief executive officer.

A member of the company's board of directors, Schleif was previously executive vice president and chief financial officer. He has been with WD-40 for 21 years.

''This action by the board will ensure WD-40 Co. has a continuity of leadership in coming years,'' said Barry.

Schleif began his career with the company in 1969 as marketing manager. He eventually held senior management positions in marketing, both for international and domestic sales.

Before joining WD-40, Schleif headed the marketing services department for the AG products division of Upjohn Co. in Kalamazoo, Mich., for 10 years. Schleif graduated from San Diego State University in 1957 with a bachelor of science degree in chemistry.

San Diego-based WD-40 Co. produces WD-40, the familiar lubricant, penetrant, rust preventative, moisture displacer and cleaner. The versatile product is distributed through home centers, mass merchandise, hardware, automotive, grocery, sporting goods and drug store trade channels throughout the country. WD-40 Co. markets the multipurpose product through 12,000 accounts in more than 100 countries worldwide.

WD-40 is the industry leader with more than $84 million in annual sales. WD-40 is publicly traded.

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FRESNO, Calif. (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - WestAir Airlines Tuesday said that

it has reached tentative agreement on its initial contract with its pilots, who are represented by the Air Line Pilots' Association (ALPA).

The three year agreement would cover the nearly 900 pilots flying for WestAir and its sister company, NPA Inc.

WestAir Holding Inc. (ASE:WAH), the parent of WestAir and NPA, announced last month that it is merging the two United Express operations.

ALPA has represented the WestAir pilot group as its collective bargaining agent since February 1989, and the NPA group since August 1989.

Both the company and the union said the agreement, ''which equitably addresses workrule and compensation issues,'' is subject to a ratification vote by pilots of both WestAir and NPA.

WestAir, with headquarters in Fresno, operates to 64 cities in 14 states along the East and West Coasts. The company has major hubs at Los Angeles; San Francisco; Portland, Ore.; Seattle; Fresno; Sacramento, Calif.; and Washington D.C.

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SAN DIEGO, Calif. (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The ROLM Co. Tuesday reported increasing sales momentum and continued enhancement of its product line with new ISDN developments during a press conference at the Telecommunications Association trade show here.

ROLM, the telecommunications joint venture of IBM and Siemens, said orders during the first half of 1990 increased, a trend that has continued into the third quarter.

L.G. Lesniak, ROLM's senior vice president for sales, reported, ''Year-to-year bookings have increased significantly, and we're experiencing strong year-to-year revenue growth. Orders continue to be robust, and we expect to exceed our third quarter forecast.

''These results demonstrate widespread customer acceptance of the many new products and enhancements we have introduced since ROLM Co. officially came into being Oct. 1, a year ago next week.''

Lesniak noted that: -- ROLM installed the 1000th Model 10 of its 9751 Computerized Branch Exchange (CBX)(a) family on Sept. 14. The 1000th system was installed at MCI Communications' downtown Baltimore sales office just nine months after volume shipments began in December and only three months after

the 500th unit was installed at Cruise International in Norfolk, Va., on June 1.

-- ROLM expects to ship the 2500th PhoneMail (a) Release 4 unit by Oct. 1. Release 4 began shipping July 1, 1989. Nearly every other CBX now shipped includes PhoneMail.

''We will continue delivering on our promise to enhance the 9750 Business Communications System (BCS) and to introduce additional products and applications that answer specific customer needs. Our focus is to provide customers with total systems solutions,'' he said.

Lesniak also reported on quality in the 9751 Model 10 for small and medium-size customers. ''The quality we're experiencing with the Model 10 is unprecedented in the industry,'' he said. ''In its first eight months, the Model 10 has accumulated more than 275 years of operational experience, which equates to more than 2.4 million hours of customer availabilty.''

In addition, Lesniak said ROLM's new Refurbished Equipment Program, announced with Norstan in July, is off to a fast start with results meeting all expectations. Based on July and August performance, ROLM expects that the program will exceed its third quarter forecast.

James Beane, ROLM's director of marketing for desktop products and networking, announced plans for the second phase of ROLM's ISDN strategy.

He said ROLM intends to implement advanced ISDN (Integrated Services Digital Network) applications through a new ISDN interface within the ROLM 9751 CBX system.

The 9751 Primary Rate Interface (PRI) will provide customers with such options as the ability to view key data about a call before answering, or to collect call data for analysis.

In August 1989, ROLM announced the first phase of its ISDN implementation strategy, which consisted of the ROLM 9757 ISDN Adapter for support of ISDN network services, 9751 CBX Release 9005.1 to enhance applications using ANI (Automatic Number Identification), and the ISDN Project Office to assist customers in developing ISDN solutions to meet their business needs.

The company reconfirmed its commitment to meeting customer requirements by developing further ISDN connectivity and meeting ISDN standards as they evolve.

''This is part of ROLM's strategy to provide superior ISDN carrier connectivity through an evolving process for our customers, allowing them to migrate to integrated ISDN solutions,'' said Beane.

ISDN is the emerging set of global standards for digital public and private

telecommunications networks. The protocols and channel structure of ISDN interfaces allow greater speed and efficiency in both voice, data and other digitized communications such as graphics, facsimile or image transmission.
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BREA, CALIF. (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - UnionFed Financial Corp. (NYSE:UFF) announced Tuesday that it is revising its previously announced earnings for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, and that it now expects to report a significant loss for the year instead of the previously reported earnings of $11.1 million, or $1.53 per share, fully diluted.

The revision of UnionFed's results of operation is due principally to substantial additional provisions for possible losses on loans and real estate which the company expects to establish in connection with current examinations of UnionFed's subsidiary, Union Federal Savings Bank, by the office of Thrift Supervision and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

A spokesperson for the company stated that the additional loss provisions were primarily the result of a further deterioration in real estate markets and a significantly more conservative approach to valuations of real estate and real estate secured loans by the company based in part on more conservative federal regulatory valuation estimates and assumptions.

The company also reported that its annual report of Form 10-K would not be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by the normal due date, which is this Friday.

UnioFed Financial is the holding company for Union Federal Savings Bank, a federally chartered savings bank with $2.5 billion in assets and 27 branches in Southern California.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Dataquest President and Chief Executive Officer Manny Fernandez Tuesday announced that H. Glen Haney was named to fill the newly-created position of chief operating officer of Dataquest.

He was also appointed as executive vice president of the company's Technology Division. Haney is responsible for worldwide strategic planning, research, sales, and marketing and reports to Fernandez.

Haney joined Dataquest in June 1989 as executive vice president, sales and marketing. Prior to Dataquest, he was president and chief executive officer of Sterling Networks of San Jose and served as president and chief executive officer of WordStar International of San Rafael.

In addition, he joined Sperry Univac Corp. in 1956 and left in 1983 as senior vice president. He earned a bachelor's of science degree from Notre Dame University and a master's of business administration from Harvard.

Dataquest, founded in 1971, is an international company of The Dun & Bradstreet Corp. It is a leading market intelligence company that provides market research and consulting services to the high technology industry and the venture capital and banking communities. The company currently has seven research offices throughout the world and employs more than 700 persons.

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LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Tuesday, Multi Soft Inc., (NASDAQ: MSOF) announced an agreement with Mellon Bank for the distribution of Multi Soft's INFRONT product line in the Datacenter banking services operation.

INFRONT supports the development of PC-based front-ends for existing host-based applications without requiring any changes to the host programs. This gives a developer tools for remodeling and enhancing the user interface for applications accessed through PCs used as terminals.

Mellon Bank Datacenter functions as a service bureau, providing complete data processing services to client banks. More than 250 financial institutions access Datacenter's mainframe applications. Mellon Bank considered ways to extend the functionality of their services and chose INFRONT's building blocks since they are already so well-accepted and robust.

In addition, since INFRONT can run on low-cost PC workstations like older XT's as well as high-end PS2s, they can offer these extended capabilities to the

broadest range of clients.

According to Ray Ingram, senior vice-president at Multi-Soft, ''The INFRONT solution represents an entire set of products that address Mellon's requirements quite well. This lets them concentrate on using our tools to further enhance services already recognized as the best in the banking industry.''

''Surveys indicate a growing number of financial institutions are using PCs to access online systems. With INFRONT, they enjoy a standardized user interface built to comply with the Common User Access model. INFRONT offers Mellon Datacenter's clients ease of use and enhanced capabilities that will let them leverage their PC investment -- instead of using their PCs as dumb terminals, INFRONT gives them significant added value,'' Ingram added.

Multi Soft Inc. (NASDAQ:MSOF) is a subsidiary of Multi Solutions Inc. (NASDAQ:MULT) and has provided state-of-the-art cooperative processing software and solutions for production operating platforms and communications environments since 1985. For more information on Multi Soft and its products, please contact Gerry Jurrens at Multi Soft 609/896-4100.

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PALO ALTO, CA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Legato Systems Inc. Tuesday announced that Legato NetWorker is now available for DOS, HP-UX and ULTRIX as well as Solbourne and MIPS systems.

Available since June for Sun systems, NetWorker now allows centralized control of backup and recovery operation for multiple platforms across the network. The company also announced an entry-level product designed especially for organizations with smaller networks.

The announcements underscore NetWorker's usefulness for organziations faced with the difficult and time-consuming task of protecting critical data on all the different platforms on a network.

Legato NetWorker is the first comprehensive software product that allows critical files on both personal computers and UNIX systems to be protected as part of a network-wide backup. Using a Sun system as a backup server, NetWorker now backs up and recovers DOS, HP-UX, DEC ULTRIX, MIPS and Solbourne-based files.

Other backup utlities (such as UNIX's ''rdump'') are operating-system dependent, preventing them from recognizing files from other operating-systems.

NetWorker, on the other hand, allows files from any computer, regardless of its operating systems or filesystem type, to be backed up to and recovered from a Sun server in a format that is operating-system independent.

NetWorker for DOS, for example, is easy-to-use software for the PC. NetWorker for DOS frees personal computer users from the tedious task of backing up files onto floppy disks, while ensuring that all files on the network are protected. Selected PC files are sent for backup via TCP/IP to a NetWorker backup server.

Legato Systems Inc. is a leading-edge supplier of network administration products designed to enhance and simplify network computing. The company's mission is to make administration and sharing of multiple, heterogeneous network resources simple, reliable, consistent, cost-effective and efficient.

Legato delivers quality network administration applications to Fortune 1000 customers in industries including defense, aerospace, manufacturing, petroleum publishing, education and high technology. Legato's products, Prestoserve and Legato NetWorker, are designed to allow organizations to utilize to maximum advantage their significant investment in existing technology, resources and personnel.

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SAN RAFAEL, CALIF. (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Island Graphics Corp., the leading developer of UNIX productivity and prepress software, Tuesday announced the opening of its European headquarters, Island Graphics B.V. in the Netherlands.

The company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Island Graphics Corp. of California, is located in Hoofddorp, a rapidly growing high-tech community near Amsterdam's Schiphol Airport. Island Graphics B.V. will support European distributors of the Island Productivity Series, Island's best-selling UNIX-based desktop publishing products.

Island has recently entered distribution agreements with leading UNIX software distributors in France, Germany, Italy and the United Kingdom.

The Island Productivity Series, made up of IslandWrite, IslandPaint and IslandDraw, lets engineers, managers and administrative staff use their UNIX workstations to create a variety of documents, such as illustrated memos, letters, reports and contracts. In addition, the programs are ideal for producing overhead presentations, multi-column newsletters and specification

sheets.

IslandWrite combines full-featured WYSIWYG word processing with desktop publishing. IslandPaint and IslandDraw let users create original art, overhead presentations, organization charts, maps and diagrams. Users can copy graphics from IslandPaint and IslandDraw into IslandWrite. All products print to PostScript laser printers. Pricing, Availability and Support

The Island Productivity Series' list price in European countries is $1395 US, and will be available by year end in French and German versions.

It is currently shipping worldwide for Sun Microsystems workstations with the OPEN LOOK graphical user interface. With the OSF/Motif graphical user interface, it is shipping worldwide for Hewlett-Packard 9000 Series 300 and 400 workstations, and for Apollo personal workstations. Later this year, the Island Productivity Series will be available on most leading UNIX workstations.

Island Graphics offers 30 day support for the Island Productivity Series, optional support and upgrade programs, and an electronic bulletin board for product information.

Headquartered in San Rafael, Island Graphics employs over 140 people, and has sales offices in San Jose, Washington DC and Boston.

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TUSTIN, CA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Trimedyne Inc. (NASDAQ:TMED) announced Tuesday it received approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to commence human clinical trials of its new Holmium ''cold'' laser system for removing plaque (fatty deposits) from coronary (heart) arteries as an alternative to bypass surgery and balloon angioplasty at 15 medical centers in the United States.

The company has already begun testing its new laser system in coronary arteries at one medical center in England and expects to expand its overseas study to 10 or more medical centers in other foreign countries.

The new Holmium ''cold'' laser emits extremely rapid, high-energy laser pulses which are transmitted through a catheter containing tiny optical fibers in a catheter.

The catheter is inserted into an artery in the thigh and is advanced through the body's arterial system to the blockage over a guidewire, like a monorail train.

The Holmium laser is able to vaporize the plaque, even hard, calcified deposits, without creating excessive heat. The same ''cold'' laser system is being tested in an FDA-approved clinical trial in peripheral (leg) vessels in the United States.

Howard K. Cooper, president and chief executive officer of Trimedyne, commented: ''Our Holmium 'cold' laser system has produced excellent results in more than 50 patients with totally and partially blocked leg vessels in our ongoing U.S. trial, and we believe these devices are the most advanced products available today to remove blockages from the coronary arteries of the heart. Our clinical investigators include some of the world's most prestigious physicians in cardiology and vascular surgery.''

Trimedyne is the leading manufacturer of proprietary lasers and laser catheters for use in surgery and for removing blockages from blood vessels.

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MILPITAS, CALIF. (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Logic Modeling Systems Inc. Tuesday announced Amador Designs will develop and distribute simulation models for the industry standard LM-1000 hardware modeling system as part of their consulting and contracting business.

Eric Amador, president of Amador Designs, said: ''Logic Modeling's hardware modeler is clearly the industry standard in hardware modeling, as evidenced by the endorsement and support of all of the popular simulators for the LM-1000.

Hardware modeling solves the simulation model availability problem for system and ASIC designers by allowing the physical VLSI device to be used to model its own behavior during design verification.

Using the actual device as part of the model guarantees completely accurate simulation of all device functions. Over 600 hardware models of complex, standard VLSI devices are currently available, and the LM-1000's advanced capabilities enable designers to create models of proprietary devices, like ASICs, in as little as one day. The LM-1000 hardware modeling system is simulator- and platform-independent.

Logic Modeling sells through OEM relationships with EDA vendors including Cadence, GenRad, IKOS, Mentor Graphics, Racal-Redac, Scientific Calculations, Siemens, Teradyne, Valid, Vantage Analysis Systems, Viewlogic Systems, Zycad Corp. and to companies with proprietary simulators.

Logic Modeling Systems Inc. is a privately held company, with corporate headquarters located at 1520 McCandless Drive, Milpitas, Calif., 95035, 408/957-5200.

Amador Designs is a privately held company located at 1025 Buckland Ave., San Carlos, Calif. 94070, 415/637-9479, fax 415/637-9361.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - RCM TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (NASDAQ Symbol: RCMT, RCMTZ; BSE Symbol: RMT) Tuesday announced that it has formed a new environmental services division called RCM/Verification.

The new division will provide support services to clients involved in Superfund projects, those involving the clean-up of hazardous waste sites, as well as to clients impacted by environmental laws in commercial real estate transactions. The division will also offer consulting services to company's with hazardous waste disposal problems.

RCM/Verification, with offices near Dallas, provides research and investigative services to these projects to identify Potentially Responsible Parties (PRP's) as well as a full line of financial and administrative services to hazardous waste projects.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has identified 30,000 hazardous waste sites of which approximately 1,300 have been placed on the National Priority List (NPL) for prompt clean-up. EPA has budgeted $8 billion for the clean-up of NPL sites.

Commenting on the announcement, Robert Sackett, chairman of RCM TECHNOLOGIES, INC., stated, ''This new division significantly enhances the growth potential of RCM TECHNOLOGIES, INC. and allows the company to participate in the rapidly expanding, multi-billion dollar environmental services industry. In addition to current and future air quality solutions, RCM is now able to offer its clients services which address pre-existing and existing hazardous waste disposal problems.

RCM TECHNOLOGIES, INC. is involved in the development and marketing of its patented ''System 99'' which is designed to control hazardous emissions from smoke stacks, a major cause of acid rain. RCM also provides professional engineering and technical services for major corporations in aerospace,

chemical and industrial manufacturing since 1968.

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PROVO, UT (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Novell Inc. (NASDAQ:NOVL), developer of NetWare systems software products, Tuesday announced modifications in its reseller program that respond to customer requests for more specialized support from resellers.

The revised program stratifies resellers within the channel by the markets or customers they serve, and establishes requirements to ensure that resellers have the training and tools to support their customers.

Scheduled to take effect Jan. 1, 1991, the program defines three target markets served by the reseller channel: Platinum resellers focus primarily on large-scale multivendor systems environments within Novell's major accounts; Gold resellers serve departmental workgroups and advanced vertical markets; and Authorized resellers serve small- to medium-sized businesses, primarily focusing on selected vertical markets.

Qualifications for current Platinum, Gold and Authorized levels have been redefined to align each group with its market. Within one year of the program's inception, all resellers must meet new criteria for technical proficiency and customer support, appropriate to each market segment.

Novell Inc. develops NetWare systems-software products that manage and control the sharing of data across a variety of network-computing environments including computer workgroups, departmental networks and business-wide information systems.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - As part on their continuing commitment to the ISDN market, Tekelec (NASDAQ:TKLC) and CMC have signed a joint marketing agreement to promote the development of ISDN products for VMEbus computer systems.

The two companies will jointly market Tekelec's Chameleon 32 ISDN test systems and CMC's ISDN Forerunner Developer's Kit.

CMC created the ISDN Forerunner Developer's Kit to assist OEMs and system integrators in adding ISDN capabilities to VMEbus workstations. The kit includes hardware, software, test suites, training and support.

The test suites, which run on Tekelec's Chameleon 32, are used to validate AT&T PRI compatibility with products developed using CMC's hardware and ISDN PRI software.

Tekelec configured its Chameleon 32 test system with options specifically tailored to run the CMC test suites. CMC will recommend Tekelec's Chameleon 32 system to its Forerunner customers to ensure continued compatibility for any products that they develop.

Under the terms of the marketing agreement, Tekelec and CMC will participate in joint product demonstrations and training, assist each other with customer support and provide each other with sales and promotional literature.

The first joint demonstration will take place at TCA '90, Sept. 25-27 in San Diego. A subsequent demonstration is planned for the upcoming Interop '90 show, held Oct. 10-12 in San Jose.

CMC is a leading supplier of high-performance networking solutions based on the industry standards TCP/IP, OSI, Ethernet, FDDI and ISDN. CMC is a wholly owned subsidiary of Rockwell International Corp., and is a unit of Rockwell Communications Systems (RCS). Rockwell International Corp. is a $12 billion, multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses. For more information contact: CMC at 805/968-4262, fax: 805/968-6478. CMC is located at 125 Cremona Drive, Santa Barbara, Calif. 93117.

Recognized as a leading test equipment manufacturer, Tekelec's product line encompasses testing of data protocols (ISDN, X.25), transmission services and equipment (T1, Fractional T1, DDS, T3), signalling (SS7) and emerging intelligent network applications.

Its products are marketed worldwide with subsidiaries in Japan and the United Kingdom. Tekelec's common stock is traded over the counter under the symbol 'TKLC' and reported on the NASDAQ National Market System. For more information, contact Tekelec at 1-800-TEKELEC, fax: 818/880-6993. Tekelec is located at 26580 W. Agoura Road, Calabasas, Calif. 91302

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - San Jose Unified School District Tuesday announced that it will implement a comprehensive online computer system designed to meet a variety of needs in primary and secondary education, including curriculum development and delivery of administrative services.

The district has awarded Tandem Computers Inc. and Ungermann-Bass a contract, and has approved further funding under an existing purchase agreement with Apple Computer Inc. to provide the system.

''We wanted the most advanced computer system ever developed for public education,'' said James Baughman, superintendent of the school district. ''And what these companies offer together is exactly that.''

The school district will purchase an estimated $10 million in equipment over the course of a five-year period, according to the contracts approved by the district board of education on Sept. 20. Under the terms of the contracts Tandem, Apple and Ungermann-Bass will provide a complete package that includes hardware, software and support.

Tandem's contributions will be two Tandem NonStop VLX transaction processing mainframes, an Integrity S2 system, software for administrative purposes, networking and training for the district. Apple will provide Macintosh workstations for students, teachers and administrators. All of the computers will communicate via an enterprise-wide Ungermann-Bass Access/One network.

The Tandem NonStop VLX system will provide the district's 4,000 employees across 45 sites with an electronic mail system as well as an online database for faculty and classroom scheduling. The database will also contain demographics information, grades and attendance records, and other critical information on the district's 30,000 students.

At both central and school sites, Apple's Macintosh computers will provide a platform for teaching and learning on computers, developing new instructional materials, accessing Tandem's database for instructional and administrative needs, and other uses.

The school district will set up a technical center to provide training and support services. Tandem support personnel and Apple education sales consultants will combine forces to assist in that process.

Teachers, parents and administrators will be able to obtain current information instantly from the Tandem system for various administrative or instructional uses. For example, when one teacher invents an innovative teaching plan for a geometry or history lesson, it could instantly become available through the network to instructors across the city in another school.

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FREMONT, CA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Joel Levine, 54, an industry veteran with over 30 years of experience in the computer peripherals business, has been appointed as vice president of marketing at SyQuest Technology, Fremont, the industry's leading supplier of removable-cartridge data storage devices and media for personal computers, workstation and on-line storage subsystems.

In his new position, Levine will be responsible for the strategic and product planning for SyQuest's family of cartridge disk drives as well as developing and implementing the company's worldwide marketing activities.

Levine assumes the marketing functions formerly held by SyQuest sales vice president Arnold Cooley. Both Levine and Cooley report to SyQuest president Syed Iftikar.

''SyQuest is growing at 100 percent per year, and this year alone we will ship over 150,000 drives and 700,000 disk cartridges,'' Iftikar said. ''At this pace, the role of marketing in the daily affairs of our company becomes even more significant.

''Joel is a well-rounded data storage industry professional with the expertise we need to support these accelerating growth rates and to increase our business even further. We're glad he has joined us.''

SyQuest commands over 90 percent of the market for removable-cartridge Winchester drives. The company manufactures the SQ555, a 5 1/4-inch removable cartridge drive that provides unlimited data storage capacity at performance levels that match that of fixed disk drives.

The SQ555 is sold directly and through distribution to a wide variety of systems and subsystems houses, and has become a de facto standard in the Apple computer market.

The drive stores 44-Mbytes of data per cartridge, and is an ideal replacement for the fixed disk drives used for system storage in a wide range of desktop personal computers, scientific and engineering workstations, and minicomputer-based multi-user systems.

It allows users to configure systems with higher data storage capacities while at the same time eliminating the need to buy higher capacity fixed disk drives.

It is also ideal for transporting large data bases and programs, while allowing users to remove confidential and sensitive files. The SQ555 incorporates a fully embedded on-board controller based on the industry-standard SCSI standard.

Before joining SyQuest, Levine was president and chief executive officer of Adelphi Associates, a disk drive test equipment manufacturer in Fremont, and vice president of planning and program management at Unisys. He has also held positions with Ampex, IMI and Century Data Systems. Levine is on the board of directors of IDEMA, an organization chartered to help support the growth of the disk drive industry.

SyQuest Technology was founded in 1982, and maintains a 76,000-square-foot headquarters, engineering, and manufacturing facility in Fremont, approximately 30 miles southeast of San Francisco.

The company has a 13,000-square-foot advanced-engineering facility in Colorado and also manufactures drives and cartridges at a 40,000-square-foot plant in Singapore. The company is privately held.

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LENEXA, KAN. (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Syntro Corp. (NASDAQ:SYNT) Tuesday announced a major expansion of their product development collaboration with

Nippon Zeon Co. Ltd.

Under the new agreement, Syntro and its wholly owned subsidiary, SyntroVet Inc., will develop a line of novel poultry vaccines incorporating advanced technology derived from both Syntro and Nippon Zeon.

Nippon Zeon will provide full funding for the project over its expected three-year term. Syntro and Nippon Zeon will each have rights to the products which emerge from the collaboration.

The companies will develop vaccines that utilize genetically engineered fowlpox viruses to protect against as many as four different poultry diseases. The first product is expected to be commercially available in mid-1992. The targeted vaccines address growing markets that today are valued at $50 million-$75 million worldwide.

Nippon Zeon, headquartered in Tokyo, is a leading chemical company engaged in the development, manufacturing and sales of synthetic rubber, plastics, specialty chemicals and medical products.

Founded in 1950, the company currently has approximately 3,000 employees and reported net sales of nearly $1 billion in 1989. It operates four manufacturing plants in Japan, one in the United Kingdom, and three in the United States, and has subsidiaries located in White Plains, N.Y., and Rolling Meadows, Ill.

During the past decade, Nippon Zeon has been active in developing and acquiring new technologies in the area of life sciences.

Syntro Corp., founded in 1981, is a Lenexa- and San Diego-based biotechnology company engaged in the development and commercialization of technology in the health sector. SyntroVet was established in 1985 to manufacture and market products resulting from Syntro's research program.

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ACTON, MA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Bechtel Software and Objective Solutions Tuesday announced an agreement which establishes Bechtel Software as the first value-added reseller of Objective Solutions' ORIN software.

ORIN is an applications generator for creating highly portable UNIX, VMS and

DOS applications for relational databases. Bechtel Software plans to sell ORIN separately and with SYNERGY, a family of sophisticated, ORACLE-based project management and control software modules.

The addition of ORIN will allow Bechtel to deliver SYNERGY with a new graphical user interface that can be deployed on multiple windowing environments, including Motif and WDS, ORIN's proprietary environment which supports ReGIS- and character-mode terminals.

''ORIN enhances ORACLE applications with an easy-to-use and friendly applications generator across multiple computer environments and operating systems,'' says John Lucas, Bechtel Software president. ''It adds real value to an existing or new application.''

The integrated SYNERGY/ORIN software, which is expected to be released in 1991 will allow users to take full advantage of SYNERGY's modular design. From within a single ORIN menu, users will be able to access any SYNERGY module. ORIN's multi-tasking capabilities will permit SYNERGY users to view two or more modules on-line, simultaneously.

For example, users will be able to record actual work performed in the Task Tracking module, and immediately see its impact on the project schedule in the Planning and Scheduling module.

The new interface will add richness to SYNERGY as well. User help will be expanded and navigation through the system will be simplified. Users will also be capable of customizing the menu system to suit their personal work style.

According to Peter E. Katsoulas, president of Objective Solutions, ''ORIN and SYNERGY are natural complements to each other. Bechtel's software captures a century of valuable project management experience, and ORIN gives that experience the look and feel of the future.''

ORIN is available now. Prices start at $1,200 for the development version and $300 for the runtime version and increase depending upon hardware configuration.

SYNERGY modules include: Plans and Schedules, Task Tracking, Budget Control, Contract Administration, Overhead Control, Craft Performance, Performance Measurement, Cost and Commitment, Management Reporting, Quantity Tracking, and Operating Plant Work Order and Cost Control. SYNERGY runs under UNIX, VMS and DOS operating systems. Prices start at $6,000 and increase depending upon hardware configuration and the number of modules purchased.

Headquartered in Massachusetts, Bechtel Software is a wholly owned subsidiary of engineering/construction giant Bechtel Corp. Bechtel Software markets, sells and supports integrated, engineering software solutions for plant design and animation, project management and control, electrical component tracking

and expert systems intelligence.

Bechtel Software has both the commitment and the resources to incorporate the latest technological developments into its software applications.

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NEW CASTLE, IN (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameriana Bancorp (NASDAQ/NMS:ASBI) Tuesday announced that it is commencing a stock repurchase program to acquire up to 10 percent of the company's outstanding common stock, or approximately 190,000 shares.

The program will be dependent upon market conditions and there is no guaranty as to the exact number of shares to be repurchased by the company.

Paul W. Prior, chairman of the board of Ameriana Bancorp, stated that the board of directors has authorized the expenditure of up to $2 million for the repurchase program, which is expected to be completed within one year. Prior explained that the board of directors considers Ameriana's common stock to be an attractive investment, particularly in view of recent market declines.

In addition, the repurchase program is designed to offset potential dilution which could be incurred in connection with the administration of the company's stock option plan.

According to Prior, the repurchases generally would be effected through open market purchases, although he did not rule out the possibility of unsolicited negotiated transactions.

At June 30, 1990, Ameriana Bancorp reported total assets of $275.5 million and shareholders' equity of $36.9 million, or 13.4 percent of total assets.

Ameriana Bancorp, through its wholly owned subsidiary, Ameriana Savings Bank, offers an extensive line of banking services to the east central Indiana area through offices in New Castle, Knightstown, Middletown and Greenfield.

In addition to banking services, Ameriana, through Ameriana Financial Services Inc., has an interest in a life insurance company headquartered in New Orleans owns ThallsAmeriana, a full-service insurance agency in New Castle, and provides a full line of investments and securities products in its brokerage

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ROCHESTER, NH (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Cabletron Systems Inc. (NYSE:CS) Tuesday reported record operating results for the second fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Net sales of $42.4 million represented a 68 percent increase over sales of $25.3 million reported in the second quarter of the preceding fiscal year. International sales were $8.5 million in the second quarter of fiscal year 1991, a 42 percent increase compared to $6.0 million in the second quarter of fiscal year 1990.

Pretax earnings of $13.3 million represented a 46 percent increase over pretax earnings of $9.1 million reported in the comparable quarter of the preceding fiscal year.

Worldwide sales for the first six months of fiscal year 1991 were $77.9 million, a 63 percent increase, compared to $47.9 million in the first six months of the preceding fiscal year.

Net income for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, totaled $15.6 million or 59 cents per share, compared to pro forma net income of $10.9 million or 43 cents per share for the comparable six months of the prior fiscal year.

Net income in the second fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 totaled $8.5 million or 32 cents per share compared to pro forma net income of $5.8 million or 22 cents per share in the comparable quarter of the preceding fiscal year, and net income of $7.1 million or 27 cents per share in the immediately preceding quarter.

''Support for Cabletron's LAN management strategy continued to grow during the second quarter as customers purchased hardware and software products based on the company's Integrated Network Architecture. We continue to see a growing demand for integrated management solutions through our modular intelligent hub product line and through sophisticated systems solutions products like our Remote LANVIEW/Windows network managment software,'' said S. Robert Levine, Cabletron's president and chief executive officer.

Cabletron Systems Inc., headquartered in Rochester, N.H., develops and manufactures networking products based on its Integrated Network Architecture, a strategy which provides standards-based products and services necessary to build and manage a global, distributed platform of interconnected local area

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Corollary, the technology leader in the development of multiprocessing products for UNIX-based PCs, Tuesday named the first regional distributor of its multiprocessing systems.

Tempe, Ariz.-based Unizone is a value-added distributor that develops and markets UNIX-based computer systems for use by small and mid-sized companies.

Until now, Corollary's ''smp'' symmetrical multiprocessing products have been marketed only to system manufacturers such as Digital Equipment Corp., Advanced Logic Research and Zenith Data Systems.

The Corollary smp is a board set consisting of 386- and 486-based multiprocessor boards, memory boards and a backplane. Unizone will provide VARs with the components and/or a complete system including packaging, power supplies, peripherals and training.

To make sure end users receive the same quality support traditionally provided by minicomputer vendors, Unizone has developed a Reseller Authorization and Training Program for UNIX PC VARs. According to Glenn Schulke, vice president of marketing at Unizone, training includes a lab for systems integrators and small OEMs who want to integrate the smp board sets into their own private-label system.

Courses are scheduled for Oct. 22 and 23 in Chicago, and Feb. 21-22 in Phoenix. Customized training is also available.

Unizone was founded in 1989 by Manton, former chief operating officer of MicroAge, to market UNIX-based computer systems. In partnership with major hardware and software manufacturers, the company develops complete systems and distributes them to VARs who tailor the product to meet the requirements of individual customers. Unizone markets Corollary's smp products as well as its 8 x 4 serial I/O subsystems.

Corollary develops, manufactures and markets proprietary, high-performance hardware and software products that extend the power of 386- and 486-based PCs running the UNIX operating system by increasing processing capacity via multiprocessor technology and by providing for multiple users. The company developed the multiprocessing version of SCO UNIX, which is marketed by The Santa Cruz Operation as SCO/MPX.

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PURCHASE, N.Y. (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - JWP Inc. (NYSE:JWP) announced Tuesday that the expiration date of the tender offer by a JWP subsidiary for all common stock of COMPUMAT Inc., (ASE:CPT) has been extended to 12:00 midnight, New York City Time. on Oct. 5, 1990.

The tender offer of $3.25 net per common share in cash originally was scheduled to expire at 12:00 midnight on Sept. 24, 1990.

As of 5:00 p.m., New York City Time, on Sept. 24, 1990, approximately 1,838,750 COMPUMAT shares, representing approximately 94 percent of COMPUMAT's outstanding shares, had been tendered.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - EMC Corp. (Hopkinton, Mass.) Tuesday became the first company to unveil a version of 'RAID' (Redundant Arrays of Inexpensive Disks) -- widely believed to represent the next revolution in computer storage technology.

The announcement comes at least eighteen months before IBM's and other storage vendors' anticipated release dates for similar technology.

Called Symmetrix, EMC's 'RAID' will allow mainframe computer users to store and retrieve more information more quickly, reliably and cost-efficiently than ever before. Symmetrix actually expands on the RAID concept by combining disk arrays, controllers and large amounts of cache, resulting in an Integrated Cached Disk Array (ICDA) system. Symmetrix appears to the system as an IBM 3880 or 3990 control unit and emulates 3380 or 3390 storage devices. It also appears totally transparent to the host computer, or Central Processing Unit (CPU).

The company, which initially is offering Symmetrix in North America and Europe expects sales of the product to exceed 300 units, ranging in price from $240,000 to $400,000 in 1991. The company expects sales to increase dramatically in 1992 as the market becomes more knowledgeable about the technology and as the Symmetrix product line expands. The total market for IBM mainframe storage is growing at 25 percent annually.

Initially designed for IBM 370 mainframe computers, such as the IBM 3090 and compatible systems, Symmetrix will be modified in the months ahead to operate with other manufacturers' mainframes -- thereby significantly expanding its market potential.

EMC Corp. is a public company listed on the NYSE. It is the leading supplier of third-party storage products for IBM midrange and mainframe processors. Its principle executives include Richard Egan, chief executive officer and chairman, and Michael Ruettgers, president and chief operating officer.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Microwave Corp. (NASDAQ:DMIC) announced Tuesday a significant expansion of its business in Mexico.

Orders totalling approximately $9 million were received for the supply of 10, 15, 18 and 23 Gigahertz digital microwave radios to AT&T Mexico and four major Cellular Operators, which include: BAJA CELLULAR, CEDETEL, and COMCEL.

''We are pleased with the expansion of our business in Mexico and with the acceptance and continued demand for our products and services. These new orders represent further penetration of the cellular and common carrier markets in developing countries,'' commented William E. Gibson, president and CEO of Digital Microwave Corp.

Headquartered in San Jose, Digital Microwave Corp. is a leading supplier of high performance short-haul transmission products to domestic and international markets.

Digital Microwave Corp. is traded under the symbol DMIC on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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NEEDHAM, MA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Cognex Corp. (NASDAQ:CGNX), a leading supplier of machine vision systems, has begun Beta testing of its new product, On-Sight(TM), an easy-to-use and flexible machine vision system, which was introduced earlier this year.

Ten Beta site participants -- from among the electronic, electrical products, automotive subassembly, pharmaceutical, and discrete part manufacturing industries -- will evaluate On-Sight's ability to solve visual tasks. Companies include Delco Electronics, Square D Co., and Anorad Corp.

The On-Sight machine vision system enables manufacturing engineers who have no computer programming or machine vision experience to apply advanced vision technologies to solve on-line gauging, robotic guidance, part inspection, and part tracking problems. Users can configure On-Sight by simply creating a flow chart on the system's high-resolution, color monitor that details the steps the vision system will follow to execute the application. The system derives its powerful processing capabilities from Cognex's VC-1 and VC-2 custom vision chips, and draws on Cognex's large library of grey-scale vision algorithms.

Delco Electronics, Kokomo, Ind., will test On-Sight's performance on a system that inspects buttons and displays on automotive heater and air conditioner units. On-Sight will verify that heater and air conditioner control buttons have the correct icons indicating their functions. It also will inspect digital displays, such as those that indicate fan level and temperature, to ensure that they function properly.

Square D Co., Asheville, N.C., plans to evaluate On-Sight's performance for solving visual tasks in the manufacture of electric products. Tasks targeted for the system include gauging the distance between subassemblies on products, ensuring that all parts are present on products, and verifying that products are labeled with the correct codes.

Anorad Corp., a Hauppauge, N.Y.-based manufacturer of X-Y positioning tables for semiconductor manufacturing equipment, will use On-Sight to simplify analysis of machine vision applications. The On-Sight system will enable engineers to quickly develop and test solutions to various alignment and positioning problems in less time than would be possible using a programmable vision system.

On-Sight will be available for shipment in the first quarter of 1991. Prices range from $25,000 to $38,000.

Cognex Corp. designs, develops, manufactures and markets a family of machine vision systems which are used to replace human vision in a wide range of manufacturing processes. Since its founding in 1981, the company has sold more than 5,000 vision systems worldwide.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Bowne & Co. Inc. (ASE:BNE) announced Tuesday that it has reached a definitive agreement to purchase the Packard Insurance Division from Basix.

The Insurance Division, which produces statutory filings for more than 1200 insurance companies throughout the United States, is the leading provider of these services to the insurance industry.

Thomas J. Vos, vice president, marketing of Bowne, said, ''We are pleased that all of the key people who have made this division so successful will be joining us. The printing and data handling resources we can add to this business will enable them to increase their industry lead.''

Ed Wiley, formerly the division's Director of Insurance Services and now General Manager of the new Bowne Insurance Division, added that, ''Bowne's network of offices around the country will enable the division to provide faster and more accurate service for these time-sensitive documents.''

Headquartered in New York with 33 offices in the United States and Canada, as well as affiliates around the world, Bowne & Co. Inc. today handles more of the world's financial printing than any other company.

Bowne serves attorneys, investment bankers, corporate officers and government officials by meeting their document building and communications needs worldwide. These documents include registration statements, proxy materials, prospectus, tax-exempt bond offering circulars, tender offers, private placements, reports to stockholders, and now, insurance company reports.

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DOUGLASTON, N.Y. (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of New York Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:NYBC), at a special meeting held on Sept. 24, 1990, announced the commencement of a regular quarterly dividend.

The board declared a quarterly cash dividend of 25 cents per common share, pending regulatory approval from the Office of Thrift Supervision. Record and payable dates will be set upon the receipt of regulatory approval. This will be New York Bancorp's first dividend since converting from mutual to stock form on Feb. 4, 1988 at a price of $6.

New York Bancorp Inc. is the holding company for Home Federal Savings Bank which conducts retail banking and lending activities through nine offices located in Queens, Nassau, Suffolk and Westchester counties.

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NEW YORK, NY (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Management Technologies Corp. (''IMTECH'') 1/8NASDAQ:IMTKA (common), IMTKU (units), IMTKW (warrants)3/8 Tuesday announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, IMTECH Optical Systems has signed a distribution agreement with Tab Products Co. (ASE:TBP) of Palo Alto, California.

IMTECH provides on-site and off-site ''outsourcing'' of a wide range of back office services to firms in the services sector. These services include an optical data storage system -- Computer Output INformation System (COINS), electronic publishing, fulfillment, printing, reproduction and general mail room operations.

IMTECH's information facilities management (''IFM'') capabilities provide companies with the ability to contrac out ancillary services to reduce operating costs and improve productivity, thereby allowing management to focus on its primary corporate objectives.

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LONDON (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - LASMO plc, the independent oil and gas exploration and production company, announced Monday that the development of the Cohasset and Panuke oilfields located 41 kilometers southwest of Sable Island, offshore Nova Scotia, is to proceed.

LASMO, the Operator, and Nova Scotia Resources (Ventures) Limited (NSRVL), a Crown corporation, each have a 50 percent interest in the project, which received Government approval on September 12th. The decision to proceed follows months of planning which included lengthy discussions with environmental bodies in Nova Scotia and the fishing industry.

Seasonal production from the two fields, which together contain reserves of 35 to 40 million barrels, is expected to commence in 1992 at a planned rate of 30,000 barrels of oil per day. This will be the first commercial petroleum produced offshore Canada.

The development will comprise a platform in each field with production of the very light 50 degree API oil being processed by facilities installed on the Gorilla III jack-up rig, recently contracted from Rowan Companies Inc., before loading offshore into tankers. Prior to conversion to production in late summer 1991, the Gorilla III will drill two exploration wells for LASMO and NSRVL on separate prospects to the northeast of Cohasset.

Chris Greentree, LASMO's Chief Executive, said today that he was delighted with the approval to proceed with the development. The project will bring benefits to both LASMO and Nova Scotia and demonstrates that innovative application of proved technology can enable the economic development of relatively small offshore fields. Nova Scotia Resources (Ventures) Limited is a Crown corporation of the Province of Nova Scotia and holds significant oil and gas interests offshore Nova Scotia.

LASMO plc is a fast-growing, UK-based independent oil company with its main production base in the North Sea. LASMO plc currently produces approximately 85,000 barrels of oil equivalent per day, and has interests in 16 countries worldwide.

LASMO shares trade on London's International Stock Exchange and in the US in ADR form (symbol 3LSMOY on the electronic OTC Bulletin Board). Shares are quoted on the SEAQ International System and prices may be accessed on the Reuters Equities 2000 service under the symbol LSMR.L, and on Quotron under the symbol LSMRU.EU.

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TAMPA, FL (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Larry's Ice Cream Inc. announced Tuesday that a Letter of Intent has been signed with Bresler's Industries Inc. of Des Plaines, Ill. for the sale of certain assets.

Included in the sale are Larry's existing franchise agreements, certain company owned stores, the Larry's name, trademarks, ice cream formulas and certain inventories.

The manufacturing facilities and equipment of Larry's Ice Cream Inc. are not included as part of the sale. The sale is contingent upon, amongst other matters, the reaching of a definitive agreement between the two companies and obtaining various consents and approvals.

Bresler's, which currently has more than 300 franchised Bresler's Ice Cream and Yogurt units across the country, will continue to operate the Larry's stores under the Larry's name through a wholly owned subsidiary. According to Bresler's President, David E. Lasky, the two operations will remain separate and distinct.

Larry's management has stated that the proceeds from the sale will be applied to various debts owed by the company to creditors. It is not anticipated that any surplus funds will be available from the sale for distribution to shareholders.

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FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Justin Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:JSTN), announced Tuesday that United States Federal Judge David O. Belew Jr. Tuesday denied a motion by the Sutherland/Rosenstein Group to compel the directors of Justin Industries to call a special shareholders' meeting.

The court, in denying the motion, also refused to delay the closing of Justin's tender offer for all the shares of Tony Lama Co. Inc. by Justin. The tender offer is scheduled to be closed promptly after midnight (ET) on Sept. 25.

Justin Industries includes Justin Boot Co. and Nocona Boot Co. -- makers of famed Justin(R) and Nocona(R) footwear; Acme Brick Co. -- the top domestically owned United States manufacturer of face brick; Ceramic Cooling Tower Co. -- designer/builder of cooling systems for utility and commercial users, manufacturers of Permalite(R), Ultralite(R), and Unilite(R) cooling towers plus

Tradewinds(R) evaporative air coolers for residential and commercial needs; Featherlite Building Products Corp. -- leading Southwest producer of concrete masonry products; and Northland Publishing Co. -- publisher of fine books focused on the art and history of the American West.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Increased cooperation among major interests within the telecommunications industry is vital for the United States to capitalize on advanced computing and telecommunications technologies the president of Northern Telecom Inc. (NYSE:NT) said Tuesday.

''We must work together -- manufacturers, telephone companies and major telecommunications users -- to encourage the extension of a fiber optic network throughout America,'' Roy Merrills said in a speech to the annual conference of the Tele-Communications Association.

''Broadband access, transport and switching capabilities in the public as well as private networks will allow us to bring every segment of the economy into our drive for global competitiveness; rural and urban areas, small business and large business ventures, laboratory scientists and garage inventors,'' Merrills said.

''The critical decision is how we can accelerate this deployment, for the benefit of each of our businesses, as well as for the benefits to society as a whole.''

Northern Telecom's vision of the broadband, fiber optic-based network of the future is called FiberWorld. The company announced in October 1989 a $1 billion program of research, development and new product introduction for the S/DMS Family of telecommunications transport, access and switching products; S/DMS TransportNode, S/DMS AccessNode, and S/DMS SuperNode.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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INDIANAPOLIS (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The Somerset Group Inc. (OTC: SOMR) announced Tuesday that a new president has been employed as chief operations officer at TMS Analytical Services Inc., a subsidiary of Somerset.

Thomas Gran, Ph.D., returns to his native Indianapolis from Findlay, Ohio, to administer the newly expanded environmental testing laboratory facilities of TMS.

Gran has 16 years of experience in environmental chemistry, hazardous waste analysis and laboratory management, most recently working six years for a leading environmental remediation firm.

A graduate of Southport High School, he received his B.A. in Chemistry from Wabash College, and his Ph.D. in Analytical Chemistry from Kansas State University. Gran also serves on the Advisory Board to the Hazardous Materials Program at Findlay College, one of the few colleges in the country offering a four-year degree in the environmental field.

Gran's wife, Marcella, who also graduated from Southport High School, is a registered nurse and a patron of the arts. They have a married daughter, Angela, and a son, Aaron, who is a freshman at Ball State.

TMS has recently moved into a larger facility, purchased over $1 million in new state-of-the-art equipment, and expanded its marketing range, progressing from one of the premier dioxin laboratories to a full-service laboratory. The new high resolution mass spectrometry instrument, for use in environmental and contract research and development, has a sensitivity level for part per quadrillion analysis.

TMS, as a participant in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Contract Laboratory Program, has long enjoyed a reputation for 24-hour turnaround capability.

The Somerset Group Inc. is a diversified public holding company which through its divisions and subsidiaries engages in three primary lines of business - banking, construction products and services, and environmental testing.

Through its 23.4 percent investment in First Indiana Corp., whose principal subsidiary is First Indiana Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, the company operates retail banking and real estate mortgage lending centers in strategic metropolitan communities.

The company provides construction products and engineering services through its American Precast Concrete Division, one of the largest manufacturers, marketers and installers of precast/prestressed concrete building components in the Midwest.

The company provides analytical testing services for toxic and hazardous compounds in the environment through its 80 percent owned subsidiary, TMS Analytical Services Inc. TMS is also a participant in the Contract Laboratory Program of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Telecom (NYSE:NT) Tuesday announced plans to integrate support for frame relay into the DPN-100 digital data networking product line.

''Frame relay is an important, emerging, international standard -- one that promises to speed availability of advanced, high-capacity applications on both public and private networks,'' said William Pfeiffer, vice president, data networks, Northern Telecom Inc.

''This ensures that our customers will be able to take advantage of these advanced capabilities as they become available via their DPN-100 data networks '' Pfeiffer said.

The announcement was made in conjunction with the 1990 Tele-Communications Association (TCA) Annual Conference at the San Diego Convention Center.

It follows the introduction earlier this month of a common specification for frame relay connections between customer premises equipment (CPE) and public network switching systems.

DPN-100 frame relay will conform to this interworking specification, based on an agreement between Northern Telecom, Digital Equipment Corp., StrataCom and cisco Systems.

This means, for example, that routers from Digital, cisco, and other companies conforming to this specification will be able to connect to private networks based on Northern Telecom's DPN-100 or StrataCom's IPX, or public networks based on Northern Telecom SuperNode central office switching systems for local and interexchange carriers.

Customer trials, using frame relay for end-to-end virtual private line communications at T1/CEPT1 speeds over a DPN network, are planned for 1991. Trunking between DPN-100 nods via frame relay is anticipated in 1992 as public frame relay services become available.

Last month, Northern Telecom announced frame relay support for its central office switches, with the introduction of DataSPAN wideband communications

capability for the DMS-100 SuperNode and DMS-250 SuperNode digital switching systems.

''Support for this standard will allow our DPN-100 customers to interconnect nodes across frame relay services, such as those to be provided using DataSPAN '' said Pfeiffer.

Frame relay is a new packet switching interface, based on standards developed by the International Consultative Committee for Telephone and Telegraph (CCITT) and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), which enables cost-effective, high-speed data networking over the public switched network.

LAN interconnect will be important, initial application for DPN-100 frame relay.

''Our customers are looking for cost-effective means to connect their geographically dispersed LANs,'' Pfeiffer said. ''With the comprehensive network management capabilities of DPN-100, LAN interconnect using frame relay is a natural extension of the wide-area data network.''

DPN-100 frame relay will support inter-bridge and inter-router communications in Ethernet and token ring LAN environments using SNA, DECnet, TCP/IP, XNS, IPX and OSI protocols.

DPN-100 frame relay is based on CCITT Recommendation I.122 regarding additional packet mode data services, and on the ANSI T1S1 subcommittee recommendations regarding frame relay transport.

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NASHVILLE, TN (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Jerome S. Tannenbaum, president and chief executive officer of REN Corporation-USA (NASDAQ/NMS:RENL), Tuesday announced the opening of a REN Center in Marshall, Texas.

This addition brings to 24 the number of centers owned or managed by REN throughout the Southeast and Southwest.

REN Center - Marshall is a newly developed, 15-station facility which received Medicare certification on Sept. 18, 1990. To date in this calendar year, the company has added nine dialysis facilities.

The new facility in Marshall is REN's second dialysis center in Texas. REN currently operates a unit in Longview, Texas. Frank Cardenas, M.D. and Mary McGee, M.D. will serve as medical directors of REN Center - Marshall.

Commenting on the development in Marshall, Cardenas stated: ''I know from my experience with REN Center - Longview that REN provides the highest quality treatment available to patients with kidney disease. I believe the REN dialysis facility in Marshall will be a significant asset to the medical services in that community.''

Commenting on the development in Marshall, Tannenbaum stated: ''We see Marshall, Texas, as the latest example of the excellent opportunities available to us to expand our centers through development or acquisition. Our

reputation for quality operations is helping us attract and retain the services of top local nephrologists, such as Dr. Cardenas.''

REN Corporation - USA is engaged primarily in providing renal dialysis services to patients suffering from chronic kidney failure. Dialysis services are provided principally at the company's 24 freestanding outpatient REN Centers located in nine states. The company also provides outpatient dialysis services to patients in their homes and inpatient dialysis services through contracts with 20 hospitals.

In addition, the company performs blood, tissue and urine testing services for its REN Centers, as well as for independent physicians and industry, at its three clinical laboratories. The company's common stock is included in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''RENL.''

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Macintosh computer users will soon be able to make calls from 4th DIMENSION databases via Northern Telecom's (NYSE:NT) Meridian TeleCenter.

By using 4D CallCenter, a new software application, a purchasing agent calling suppliers could, for example, dial by simply choosing names from a database list, keep track of conversations and account activities, and perform a myriad of other functions.

In another example, a student could call a university security station in an emergency situation, and security guards using 4D CallCenter and Meridian TeleCenter could immediately associate the number with the telephone's location so that they could respond quickly.

4D CallCenter, announced at the Tele-Communications Association Annual Conference, is a set of software development tools soon to be available to the more than 3,000 ACIUS developers. 4D CallCenter will allow users of Northern Telecom's Meridian TeleCenter to access hundreds of applications, inbound or outbound, developed on ACIUS' 4th DIMENSION platform. ACIUS' 4th DIMENSION is the best-selling relational database for Macintosh computers.

4D CallCenter, developed by ACIUS of Cupertino, Calif., is the first third-party application available for Meridian TeleCenter, the recently introduced software personal productivity tool that uses the graphic interface of the Apple Macintosh computer to enhance access to the features of Northern Telecom's Meridian 1 business communications systems.

4D CallCenter will be supported by and available from ACIUS by the end of the year. The suggested customer list price is $200. A 4th DIMENSION program or a 4D runtime application is also required. ACIUS is a subsidiary of ACI France, the leading global producer of relational databases for the Macintosh family of computers.

4D CallCenter also requires Meridian TeleCenter, available now from authorized Northern Telecom Meridian 1 communications systems distributors. Its suggested customer list price is $200.

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BALTIMORE, MD (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Polk Audio Inc. ("Polk") (NASDAQ: POLK) and AGI (Electronics) Ltd. ("AGI") jointly announced Tuesday that they have entered into a letter of intent providing for the acquisition by Polk of all the outstanding Ordinary shares of AGI, principally through a share exchange for Polk Audio common shares.

AGI, which is headquartered in Maidstone, Kent, England, is a privately held holding company. Its principal operating subsidiaries are KEF Electronics, a manufacturer of loudspeakers systems, and Boothroyd-Stuart Ltd., a manufacturer of audio electronics sold under the brand name Meridian. Polk is a publicly held manufacturer of loudspeaker systems headquartered in Baltimore.

Spokesmen for both companies expressed their belief that the operating efficiencies realizable from the transaction will positively influence the prospects of both firms. In addition, the transaction will provide Polk with a strong base for future growth in the European Community.

A spokesman noted that "whilst the Polk and KEF brands will certainly retain their separate product philosophies and brand identities in the marketplace, this transaction will synergistically combine the world's best two high quality speaker brands."

The letter of intent anticipates the issuance of Polk Audio common shares to a

majority of current AGI shareholders, plus the retirement of certain classes of AGI securities for cash.

The consummation of the transaction is still subject ot various contingencies, including but not limited to the execution of definitive agreements and approval of both AGI and Polk shareholders.

The parties expect the transaction to be closed during the first quarter of 1991. While the parties plan to move forward as expeditiously as possible, no assurance can be given that the transaction will be consummated, or consummated in the form currently available.

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TAMPA, FLA. (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Action Staffing Inc. (NASDAQ:ACTS) Tuesday announced that on Sept. 17, the Board of Directors declared a dividend of $0.0693 on its 9.25 percent Series A Convertible Preferred, payable Oct. 15 to holders of record Oct. 1.

Action also announced the extension for one year of the expiration date of its common stock purchase warrants. The previous expiration date for the 2.5 million common stock purchase warrants was Dec. 6, 1990 and the new expiration date is set at Dec. 6, 1991 for the 2,318,180 warrants currently outstanding.

The warrants were part of 2,500 units issued in a Dec. 7, 1987 public offering and were immediately exercisable, redeemable in common stock by the holder. They are callable by the Company when certain specified market conditions are met, said Lawrence Jones, president and chief executive officer of Action Staffing.

Tampa-based Action Staffing is a leader in employee leasing for business and industry with 12,000 employees under lease in 32 states.

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CHATTANOOGA, TENN. (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Dixie Yarns Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:DXYN) Tuesday announced that it has approved the purchase of 500,000 additional shares of common stock.

Purchases of common stock have totaled approximately three million shares

since mid-1988.

Dixie's business consists of four product categories: specialty yarns, industrial sewing threads, knit fabrics, and carpet and rug yarns. The company manufactures and markets yarns and threads from a variety of natural and man-made fibers and also processes yarns into knit fabrics.

Its products are used in the apparel, carpeting, domestics, drapery and upholstery, hosiery, industrial fabrics, transportation, and other industries. Dixie's common stock trades on the over-the-counter National Market System with the NASDAQ symbol DXYN.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - SRX, the Dallas-based manufacturer of premium telecommunications systems and related peripherals, Tuesday announced that James Steenbergen has joined the privately-held company as president and chief executive officer.

Joseph Felix has assumed the duties of vice president of sales.

Steenbergen comes to SRX from Optilink, where he had served as chief operating officer since 1988. He also worked for Granger Associates as executive vice president and continued as senior vice president when the company was purchased by DSC Communications in 1984. Steenbergen brings 20 years of communications industry experience, both domestic and international, to SRX.

Joe Felix also joins SRX from Optilink, where as vice president his duties included development of Bell holding companies' key selling teams and product approval. Felix, who has held top management positions at Miniscribe and Granger Associates, will assume responsibility for all SRX sales operations.

Founded in 1983, SRX provides premium telecommincations switching equipment including patented voice and data switching technology to end users worldwide.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Henry G. Piper, president and chief executive officer of Brush Wellman Inc. (NYSE:BW) Tuesday commented on the company's near term outlook.

Piper stated, ''Recent weakness in the U.S. economy, in conjunction with previously disclosed production interruptions at certain government facilities has impacted several of our markets. Third quarter sales will be about eight percent below the third quarter 1989. The weakness is concentrated in markets for some of our traditionally highest margin products. Therefore we expect third quarter earnings to be significantly less than the 22 cents per share earned in the third quarter last year.

''We anticipate some seasonal improvements in the fourth quarter. However, it is clear that second half sales will fall short of the second half 1989 level.'' Concerning the longer term, Piper stated, ''We have a strong balance sheet with low debt and good cash flow, and we are continuing to pursue opportunities for future growth, despite the current weakness in our markets.''

Brush Wellman Inc., with headquarters in Cleveland, is a manufacturer of engineered materials. The company and its subsidiaries supply worldwide markets with beryllium, beryllium alloys, beryllia ceramic, precious metal products, and specialty metal systems.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Galveston-Houston Co. (NYSE:GHX) Tuesday announced that Larry Smith has been named to its board of directors.

Smith, a private investor, was formerly president of Coca-Cola Enterprises West, Los Angeles.

Galveston-Houston Co. manufactures valve actuators and custom steel castings for the energy and other industrial markets and replacement wear parts and excavation buckets for the construction, mining and other earthmoving industries.

Galveston-Houston Co. common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GHX.

CONTACT: Galveston-Houston Co., Houston
Wilfred M. Krenek or Pamela L. Reiland, 713/966-2500.

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SHAWNEE, OK (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Barton Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:BART) of Shawnee, Okla., Tuesday announced revenues and profits for the month of

August and the first 11 months of fiscal year 1990.

For the month of August 1990, the company reported profits of $311,292 from revenues of $3,040,548. Year-to-date revenues are $27,790,233 with related profits of $3,336,863. Order intake for the month was strong in all individual operating units, highlighted by the performance of the Integrated Technology Systems Division.

The division received separate orders during the month from two new customers for Pump-Off Plus automation units to be delivered and installed in the last quarter of calendar 1990. These orders are expected to be the start of a long term supplier-customer relationship between the two firms and Barton.

CONTACT: Barton Industries, Shawnee C. W. Earl Johnson or Victor L. Joyce, 405/273-7660

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - National Patent Development Corp. (ASE/PSE:NPD) announced Tuesday that the Purdue Frederick Company, the marketing partner of National Patent's 82 percent controlled subsidiary Interferon Sciences Inc., will launch Interferon Sciences' first FDA approved product, the Alferon N Injection, in October 1990.

Alferon N Injection is approved for the intralesional treatment of refractory or recurring external genital warts in patients 18 years of age or older.

The launch is scheduled to occur on a regional basis in Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Cleveland and other selected cities in the central part of the United States.

It is presently anticipated that Purdue Frederick will launch the product on an national basis during the first half of 1991.

Published reports estimate that the total sales of alpha interferon products around the world are presently more than $300 million and are expected to exceed $900 million by 1994. Alpha interferon is approved for 13 indications worldwide.

CONTACT: National Patent Development Corp., New York
Jerome I. Feldman, 212/230-9508

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BILLERICA, MA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Michael Cronin, board chairman of Automatix Inc., announced the appointment of Ofer Gneezy as president and

chief executive officer.

Gneezy has been with Automatix since its inception in 1980 and has served as general manager of Automatix since April of 1990.

Cronin said, ''During the last few years we have been working to transition Automatix from a hardware manufacturer to a software developer for industrial applications. Ofer has been a leader of this transition, as vice president, Software and more recently general manager. His appointment as president and CEO is in recognition of the outstanding work he has done to date and our confidence in his leadership for the future.''

Automatix Inc. provides software products for industry along with OEM robot and control modules including Macintosh compatible industrial computers. Software applications include: Image analysis

- Machine vision inspection, gauging and robot guidance
- Adaptive control
- Cell control

The Cognition Corp. subsidiary develops and markets mechanical CAD and CAE products for:

- Drafting
- Design
- Engineering
- Expert systems for cost and manufacturability guidance

Founded in January 1980, Automatix trades in the over-the-counter market under the symbol AITXC.

CONTACT: Automatix Inc., Billerica
Ofer Gneezy or Michael Cronin, 508/667-7900

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DALLAS (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Holly Corp. (ASE:HOC) Tuesday announced adoption of capital budgets totalling $16 million, which is in addition to the approximately $40 million for the previously announced expansion of the company's New Mexico refining facilities.

Included in the $16 million of capital budgets is $12 million for the company's Navajo Refining Co. in Artesia, N.M., covering expenditures for a sulphur recovery unit at the Artesia refinery, an automated loading rack at the El Paso terminal, a crude oil gathering pipeline, and an increase in ownership of a refined products terminal.

In addition, approximately $4 million to $5 million is expected to be expended in the company's oil and gas exploration program.

As announced, in March 1990, the company has contracted for the construction of a new 12,000 barrel-per-day Continuous Catalyst Regeneration Reformer for the company's Navajo refinery in Artesia. Construction of the reformer, and other planned improvements, are designed to permit expansion of the company's New Mexico refinery capacity from 40,000 barrels per day to 60,000 barrels per day.

The expansion is scheduled to be completed by the summer of 1991 at an estimated cost of approximately $40 million, most of which will be expended during fiscal 1991.

The cost of the above capital expenditures is expected to be financed partially from internally generated funds and partially with borrowings under the company's Revolving Credit Agreement.

Holly Corp., through its affiliates, Navajo Refining Co. and Montana Refining Co., is engaged in the refining of petroleum products.

CONTACT: Holly Corp., Dallas
E.I. Parson, 214/979-0210
or
Dalton, Sneath & Co.
Lee Sneath, 214/385-2332

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OSHKOSH, WI (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The Oshkosh Truck Corp. (NASDAQ:OTRKB) board of directors, on Sept. 24, declared a quarterly dividend of $.10875 per share for Class A Common Stock and $.125 per share for Class B Common Stock.

These dividends, unchanged from the previous rate, will be payable Nov. 15, to shareholders of record as of Oct. 15.

In addition, the company announced that it will begin purchasing up to 250,000 shares of its Class B Common Stock in the open market for general corporate purposes. This brings the total announced stock purchases this year to 350,000 shares.

CONTACT: Oshkosh Truck Corp., Oshkosh
Charles J. Hulsebosch, 414/235-9150, ext. 2332

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PROVIDENCE, RI (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Old Stone Corp., a Providence-based $3.8 billion asset diversified financial services

company, Tuesday announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 20 cents ($0.20) per common share, payable on Nov. 5, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Oct. 15, 1990.

The corporation also announced that it expects to incur a small loss for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990. Non-performing assets are expected to increase only slightly from June 30, 1990 levels.

In commenting on the dividend, Theodore W. Barnes, president and chief executive officer of Old Stone Corp. stated, ''We believe that a $.20 quarterly dividend is consistent with current market realities and with our longer term earnings prospects. We have confidence in the strength and prospects of the corporation and expect to see the benefits of our restructuring program in 1991 and beyond.''

The dividend compares with a previous quarterly dividend of $.39 per share with the reduction responding to a variety of external as well as internal factors. Continued depressed prices for financial services stocks, including Old Stone Corp., has led to unrealistic yields at former dividend levels.

Further, Old Stone wishes to retain capital in anticipation of increased regulatory capital requirements. The company recently announced its intent to explore the sale of all or part of its subsidiary, Old Stone Corp., in order to meet increased minimum capital requirements which become effective at the end of 1990. The corporation's insured entitities currently comply with all regulatory capital requirements.

Old Stone Corp. operates 168 offices in 26 states. It engages in retail, mortgage banking, commercial lending as well as money management and trust services. Its stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market system (symbol:OSTN).

CONTACT: Old Stone Corp., Providence
Edward J. Braks, 401/278-2505
Barry Pickell, 401/278-2513
Louis R. Izzi, 401/278-2366

-30- 2220

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Designs Inc. (NASDAQ: DESI), operator of specialty retail stores that sell exclusively Levi Strauss & Co. clothing and accessories spoke Tuesday at the Massachusetts Public Co. Forum 1990 held at the World Trade Center in Boston.

At the meeting Designs chief financial officer, Geoffrey M. Holczer, said that sales for the important back-to-school season (four weeks ended Sept. 8, 1990) increased by 50 percent over the same period last year to $14.8 million and

were up 14 percent in comparable stores. Comparable stores are those 59 stores open a full fiscal year.

Holczer also said that the company expects significant improvement in per share earnings for the third quarter of the current fiscal year which will end at the end of October. Last year's third quarter earnings were 10 cents per share.

Stanley Berger, president and chief operating officer spoke about the company's merchandising strategy, the power of the Levi Strauss & Co. brand name and the continued success of the Dockers line as a fast growing component of Designs sales.

Designs Inc.'s 69 traditional stores and 29 outlet stores sell exclusively Levi Strauss & Co. clothing and accessories under the ''Designs exclusively Levi Strauss & Co.'' and ''Specials exclusively Levi Strauss & Co.'' names. The stores are located in enclosed regional shopping malls and outlet parks in 26 states throughout the eastern half of the country.

CONTACT: Designs Inc., Chestnut Hill
  Geoffrey M. Holczer or Samuel J. Levenson, 617/739-6722

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BOCA RATON, FL (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Teletimer International Inc. announced Tuesday that declining housing starts and rising oil prices have necessitated a shift in its marketing efforts with concentration on existing homes rather than new homes.

Teletimer has developed a home energy management service that saves energy and can be controlled remotely by push button telephones. The company also announced that is has resolved a problem with respect to a loan agreement with its Senior Lender.

Robert J. Brown, president of Teletimer, said that Teletimer was able to satisfy a condition of the agreement without restructuring the loan. ''We are able to satisfy the condition utilizing our present cash flow.'' In view of the company's actions, Teletimer's Senior Lender, a subsidiary of Bell Atlantic, has not exercised any of its options under the loan agreement.

According to Anthony Capuano, director of Home Automation of Bell Atlantic, slumping housing starts and rising oil prices required a shift in Teletimer's emphasis to concentrate on energy savings for existing homes.

''We have renegotiated arrangements with Teletimer toward more attractive near-term opportunities,'' Capuano said, pointing out that Iraq's invasion of Kuwait has heightened concern about a lack of energy conservation and the

economic effect of increased residential energy costs.

Bell Atlantic Network Services is a licensee of Teletimer, previously with a license for the Bell Atlantic region, has now expanded its license to the entire United States and its possessions.

Bell Atlantic has rights to deliver signals for the service to subscriber premises, install the customer premise equipment in subscriber's homes, provide maintenance service that may be required, and bill and collect the monthly fees for the service.

The service is provided by subscription for a $10 to $15 per month fee and allows the subscriber to control up to 18 devices within his home; thus allowing control of major energy consuming equipment and allowing conservation of energy and hence, lower energy bills.

Teletimer, meanwhile, is endeavoring to raise equity capital on a private placement basis in order to gear up for large scale production of its equipment required for the Teletimer Energy Savings Service.

CONTACT: Teletimer International Inc., Boca Raton
Robert J. Brown Jr., 407/994-9044

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#90268b0767 09/25/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW HARTFORD, NY (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - PAR Technology Corp. (NYSE:PTC) announced Tuesday that it has repurchased 27,200 shares of its common stock from one shareholder.

The company continues to believe that the present price of its stock represents excellent value.

PAR is a supplier of transaction processing information systems to the food service and convenience store industries, and to the Computer Integrated Manufacturing market; and a contractor providing computer based system design and development services to the Federal Government.

CONTACT: PAR Technology Corp., New Hartford
A. Kenneth Patterson, 315/738-0600

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WEST ALLIS, WI (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Sullivan Dental Products Inc. (NASDAQ:SULL), a Milwaukee-based distributor of dental supplies and dental equipment announced Tuesday an agreement in principle leading to a marketing arrangement with American Dental Supply Corp. of Falls Church, Va.

It is anticipated that this agreement will be consumated by Oct. 14.

Under the agreement, American, with its 12 person territorial sales staff, will become an additional dental supplies sales representative for Sullivan. American will continue to sell dental equipment and provide technical service to its entire customer base.

In addition to its corporate office in Virginia, American Dental operates branch offices in Baltimore, and Middletown, Conn.

This is Sullivan Dental's first major penetration of the Eastern market and further enhances its national marketing plans.

CONTACT: Sullivan Dental Products Inc., West Allis
Robert J. Sullivan or Robert E. Doering,
414/321-8881.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Dun's Marketing Services, Inc. and Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., subsidiaries of The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation, announced Tuesday that they had filed suit against Gary E. Walter, a former employee, and two Chicago companies, International Business Lists, Inc. and Inter-Direct, Inc., for copyright infringement of the Dun's Market Indentifiers (DMI) database.

The suit arose after a list sold by International Business Lists in July 1990 was found to contain data unique to a 1988 DMI database. The DMI database contains updated information on more than 8.8 million U.S. businesses. The suit was filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois and seeks injunctive relief to prevent further infringement, as well as damages.

The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation is the world's largest marketer of business information and related services, with worldwide revenue of $4.3 billion in 1989.

CONTACT: Dun & Bradstreet Inc., new York
Reid H. Gearhart, 212/593-6727.

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#90268b0780 09/25/1990 ~Business Wire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Target Stores, the upscale discount division of Dayton Hudson Corp., invited its leading vendors to a preview opening of its new experimental super store, Target Greatland.

More than 800 vendors met L.A. Lakers basketball star Magic Johnson, race car driver Eddie Cheever, singer Amy Grant, guitarist Chet Atkins and Hispanic entertainer Franco at the event. Phyllis George, television announcer and entrepreneur, served as the evening's hostess.

Jack Fontaine, senior vice president, property development, told the vendors that Target had very aggressive growth plans for the next five years, which call for 300 new stores, many of which are expansions into new markets. ''We envision a 5-year expansion program at a cost in excess of $4.5 billion,'' he said.

''One of the keys to accomplishing such an explosive growth plan is having the right format for every market and real estate location and most importantly, the right partners, like you. With your help and support, we know we will continue to be the nation's upscale discounter,'' Fontaine said.

CONTACT: Dayton Hudson Corp., Minneapolis
George Hite, 612/370-8888
Gail Dorn, 612/370-8914.

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#90268b0795 09/25/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Tidewater Inc. (NYSE: TDW) announced Tuesday that its marine div ision, Tidewater Marine Service Inc., has caused 10 high performance personnel launches to be built for use in its West African fleet, and that its joint venture company, Tidewater Port Jackson Pty. Ltd., has taken delivery of a new 110 foot safety/platform vessel for its Australian fleet.

The company has also added three vessels to its Gulf of Mexico fleet.

Scheduled to arrive in Warri, Nigeria, by the end of September, the 10 personnel launches will service inshore oil production activities for Shell Oil Nigeria on a long-term contract. The launches will be owned and operated by a joint venture between Tidewater and Oilfield Transport Services Ltd., a Nigerian company with a history of providing marine services in Nigeria's inland waters.

The 30 foot, fiberglass vessels, built in Louisiana, are equipped with two Cummins 6BT engines producing 180 horsepower each. The vessels' primary use will be supply and personnel transportation in the Niger River Delta of Nigeria. Each vessel transports up to eight passengers and a crew of three.

The 110 foot KURNAI TIDE, a safety/platform vessel was built by Austral Ships in Australia and is servicing long-term contracts in the Bass Straits Oilfields.

Built of aluminum for reduced weight in the hull, the vessel has enhanced maneuverability that allows travel sideways, as well as fore and aft, using bow thrusters, propellers with variable pitch and flapped rudders. The rudders can move 45 degrees and have a flap on their edges that can then move 90 degrees.

Powered by two MWM V8 diesel engines, the vessel can maintain a speed in excess of 16 knots. It is equipped with a water cannon and has twin booms to spray dispersal fluid in the event of an oil spill. It has accommodations for a crew of seven.

In separate transactions, Tidewater has also acquired two 110 foot aluminum crewboats and one 110 foot utility vessel for its Gulf of Mexico fleet. It is in advance negotiations for the acquisitions of four to five additional crew and utility vessels.

Commenting on the additions to the fleet, Tidewater chairman, president and chief executive John P. Laborde said: ''The building of these unique purpose vessels is our response to a specific customer need as Tidewater fulfills its role as a major service company. Tidewater strives to operate not just one of the largest, but the most versatile fleet in the world today.''

With the addition of these vessels, Tidewater's worldwide fleet now stands at 278 vessels.

Tidewater owns and operates one of the largest fleets of vessels supporting the international offshore oil and gas industry and one of the largest fleets of natural gas and air compressors in the United States. The company also has modest interests in domestic oil and gas operations, real estate and insurance.

CONTACT: Tidewater Inc., New Orleans
Richard M. Currence, 504/568-1010.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Centerior Energy Corp. (NYSE:CX) declared Tuesday a quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share on the company's common stock, the same as the previous quarter.

The dividend will be paid on Nov. 15, to share owners of record at the close of business on Oct. 19.

The operating subsidiaries of Centerior Energy are The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co. and The Toledo Edison Co.

CONTACT: Centerior Energy Corp., Cleveland

J. Lee Bailey, 216/447-3235
216/623-1060 (after work hours)

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#90268b0827 09/25/1990 ~Business Wire

MERIDEN, CT (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Cenvest Inc. (NASDAQ:CBCT) Tuesday announced that following the completion of the regulatory examination of Central Bank, Cenvest's largest bank subsidiary, Central Bank has entered into a memorandum of understanding with state and federal regulators to strengthen its lending practices, credit review procedures, liquidity and capital planning.

Cenvest announced further that the banking activities of its Hartford based commercial banking subsidiary, First Central Bank, will be consolidated into Central Bank, subject to regulatory approval, prior to the end of the current fiscal year. The primary purpose of the consolidation is to combine the commercial banking resources and operations of both banks, thereby fostering greater efficiencies and customer convenience while creating a stronger capital base.

In a further action, Cenvest announced it will recognize loan losses of approximately $5,475,000 in the third quarter 1990 and will record a special provision of $5,360,000 to increase the allowance for loan losses. At the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 Cenvest's consolidated reserves after recognized losses are anticipated to be in excess of 2 percent total loans, and Cenvest's consolidated primary capital ratio is anticipated to be approximately 8.3 percent. The special provision is in response to continuing weakness in the Connecticut economy, particularly in commercial real estate.

CONTACT: Cenvest Inc., Meriden
Mary S. Piper, 203/630-5692

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The Investment Management Institute (IMI) and the recently formed firm of Mackell & Associates, have concluded arrangements to develop educational programs for trustees and professionals responsible for the administration and management of the assets of jointly-administered multi-employer benefit funds.

The venture pools the resources of IMI, the leading global educational organization in the investment management field with Dr. Thomas J. Mackell Jr. one of the top marketing consultants for investment management and financial institutions which service Taft-Hartley and public sector funds. The first joint program to be held by IMI and Mackell & Associates is scheduled for Dec. 6, 7, and 8 in LaCosta, Calif.

''Mackell & Associates is proud to embark on this exciting partnership which will produce absolutely first-rate educational programs,'' said Mackell. ''We are thrilled to cooperate with the best organization in its field for investment management education.''

''This is our first joint program with Mackell and Associates,'' said Russ Mason, the founder and president of IMI, ''and I look forward to producing an informative, stimulating series of seminars. Tom Mackell is not only an outstanding marketing consultant but a highly respected benefits educator.''

IMI, founded in 1981, has offices in New York and Connecticut, and is currently the leading global educational organization in the investment management field catering to endowment funds, foundations, corporations and public funds. IMI provides domestic and international seminars and forums in securities analysis and leading edge investment management products and strategies.

Mackell & Associates, founded by Dr. Mackell, has offices in New York and California and offers marketing consulting services to institutions which provide investment and other services for pension and benefit funds in the private and public sectors.

CONTACT: The Kamber Group, New York
Richard A. Weiss, 212/679-4540

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - As part of its strategy to become a premier source for affordable add-on memory for Compaq systems users and other popular personal computers, Amkly Systems Inc. Tuesday announced a nationwide distribution agreement with Ingram Micro D Inc.

Amkly, founded last year by Albert C. Wong, one of the three founders of AST Research, offers aggressively priced add-on memory solutions for users of Compaq, Epson, IBM, AST, ALR, and other PCs, many of which come from the factory with the vendors' more expensive proprietary memory modules.

Amkly's AMpac series of boards are designed to be fully compatible with industry-standard Single In-Line Memory Modules (SIMMs) that are widely available through the mail or from distributors at significant cost savings. The user simply adds memory by plugging more SIMMs into the Amkly board. Ingram Micro D is one of the world's largest distributors of microcomputer products.

"This distribution agreement represents an excellent opportunity for our reseller customers to achieve significant sales of memory upgrades to the

Compaq market," said Bruce Martin, vice president of purchasing for the Santa Ana-based Ingram Micro D.

"The fact that Amkly's memory boards are aggressively priced plus the ability of users to fully populate the boards with second-sourced SIMMs translates into a real pricing advantage for users," said Martin, adding that resellers should take note that Albert Wong's "reputation for top-quality engineering is well-deserved."

Amkly Systems is based at 60 Technology Drive, Irvine, 92718; phone (714) 727-0788; fax (714) 727-9521.

CONTACT: Les Goldberg, Les Goldberg Public Relations, 275 Centennial Way, Suite 104, Tustin, Calif. 92680, (714) 730-4774 or (714) 730-1490 (fax).

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TOLEDO, OH (SEPT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Dana Corp. announced Tuesday that its wholly-owned subsidiary Diamond Savings & Loan, based in Findlay, Ohio, has increased its loan loss reserves by $10 million primarily in connection with loans relating to commercial real estate development and construction.

In addition, Diamond will spin-off certain loans and real estate development projects to other Dana subsidiaries.

These actions, which follow a routine regulatory examination by the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., are being required by bank examiners under stricter examination standards applied since the enactment of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA) and are primarily the result of a depressed commercial real estate market.

Management of Dana and Diamond believe that these actions will strengthen Diamond and will cause it to exceed all of the newly increased regulatory capital requirements imposed by FIRREA. Should it become necessary to do so, Dana will, through additional capital infusions or otherwise, assist Diamond in reducing the level of its classified assets in relation to its level of capital plus general valuation allowances over the next twelve months. Such assistance could, under current circumstances, approximate $50 million.

Following these actions, it is believed that Diamond, with over $60 million in capital and $925 million in assets, will be among the best capitalized savings and loan institutions of comparable size in Ohio. This financial strength will enable Diamond to continue providing competitive banking services throughout its middle Ohio market area.

Dana will announce its third quarter financial results on Oct. 18, 1990.

CONTACT: Dana Corp., Toledo
Don Decker, 419/535-4601

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS (5.00%) OF XTRA CORP (TICKER: XTR) OF WILMINGTON, DE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 455,900 SHARES (8.20%) OF NSC CORP (TICKER: NSCC).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 3,400,000 SHARES (9.60%) OF PIER 1 IMPORTS (TICKER: PIR) OF FT WORTH, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Industrial Equity Pacific LTD sold 1,382,050 shares on Sept. 17, 1990 for $6.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Industrial Equity Pacific LTD sold 566,500 shares on Sept. 17, 1990 for $12 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 012

INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWNS 852,294 SHARES (96.77%) OF MOLOKAI RANCH LTD (TICKER: MKAI) OF HONOLULU, HI.

ANNOUNCEMENT: On Sept. 17, 1990, Industrial Equity Pacific LTD acquired 248,916 shares in exchange for 566,500 shares beneficial interest in Chicago

Dock and Canal Trust, 910,868 common shares of Del Webb Corp., 255,500 common shares, 209,393 preferred shares and 7,900 convertible debentures in Intermark Corp., 1,382,050 common shares of Russ Togs Inc. and $5,958,818 in cash.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

B.K. MOLLER OWNS 126,000 SHARES (5.02%) OF GREENWICH FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: GFCT) OF GREENWICH, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

B.K. Moller purchased 5,000 shares from Aug. 6 to Sept. 7, 1990 for $5.41 to $6.10 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

W.R. WOODY JR OWNS 490,054 SHARES (16.15%) OF MICROWAVE LABORATORIES INC (TICKER: MWAV) OF RALEIGH, NC.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

W.R. Woody Jr. purchased 166,667 shares on Sept. 7, 1990 for $.30 per share.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L. GREENBLATT OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 707,967 SHARES (34.78%) OF TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORP (TICKER: TDCX) OF ARLINGTON, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

L. Greenblatt acquired 54,265 shares in the previous sixty days for $1.69 to $2.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90268c0013 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A.I. MENDOLIA OWNS 251,600 SHARES (5.55%) OF CAMBREX CORP (TICKER: CBAM) OF EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90268c0014 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY FAG FINANCE CORP OWNS 612,593 SHARES (31.00%) OF BARDEN CORP (TICKER: BARD) OF DANBURY, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This statement is an offer to purchase, dated Sept. 21, 1990, and letter of transmittal, for cash all outstanding shares of common stock of The Barden

Corp. at $66.50 net per share by FAG Finance Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of FAG Bearings Corp. The offer is conditioned upon, among other things, there being validly tendered and not withdrawn prior to the expiration at least 66-2/3 percent of the shares outstanding on a fully diluted basis. The offer and withdrawal rights will expire Oct. 19, 1990, unless the offer is extended. On Sept. 15, 1990, representatives of the company met with representatives of the parent to negotiate the final terms of the merger and the stock option agreements and the parent made a proposal to acquire the company for $66.50 per share. On Sept. 16, 1990, the board approved the merger agreement and the stock option agreement. On Sept. 17, 1990, the company, the parent and the purchaser entered into the merger agreement and the sellers and the parent entered into the stock option agreement.

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SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This statement relates to the tender offer to purchase of FAG Finance Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of FAG Bearings Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of FAG Kugelfishcer George Schafer KGaA all outstanding shares of The Barden Corp. (TICKER: BARD) $66.50 per share net to the cash subject to the terms and conditions in the offer to purchase dated Sept. 21, 1990 and related letter of transmittal. At a meeting held on Sept. 16, 1990, the board of Barden Corp. unanimously voted to accept the offer and recommends that shareholders tender their shares.

-30- 762
#90268c0018 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY NACO FINANCE CORP OWNS 255,660 SHARES (6.40%) OF SOUTHMARK CORP (TICKER: SM) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Southmark's plan of reorganization, originally filed on July 14, 1990, became effective on Aug. 10, 1990. In the case, NACO was allowed a $96.5 million claim related to Southmark Corp.'s securities and a $41 million claim related to Southmark Corp.'s obligation under a support agreement in favor of NFC. NACO received an aggregate of 2,819,057 common shares and 255,660 preferred

shares as part of the claims.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares pursuant to plan of reorganization.

-30- 817
#90268c0019 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY NACO FINANCE CORP OWNS 2,990,462 SHARES (6.60%) OF SOUTHMARK CORP (TICKER: SM) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Southmark's plan of reorganization, originally filed on July 14, 1990, became effective on Aug. 10, 1990. In the case, NACO was allowed a $96.5 million claim related to Southmark Corp.'s securities and a $41 million claim related to Southmark Corp.'s obligation under a support agreement in favor of NFC. NACO received an aggregate of 2,819,057 common shares and 255,660 preferred shares as part of the claims, $3,785,685 principal in promissory notes, and $3,753,470 in cash in settlement of claims pursuant to the plan of reorganization.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares pursuant to plan of reorganization.

-30- 952
#90268c0020 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

CAISSE DE DEPOT ET PLACEMENT DU QUEBEC OWNS 15,794,232 SHARES (18.18%) OF DOMTAR INC (TICKER: DTC) OF MONTREAL, CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As previously described, Caisse De Depot Et Placement Du Quebec has agreed to vote its shares with Societe generale de financement du Quebec, who together hold 39,763,932 shares, representing 45.8 percent of the common shares. Caisse De Depot Et Placement Du Quebec disclaims ownership of the additional shares. Also, the agreement grants each party a right of first refusal with respect to

the last 7,400,000 shares held by the other party.

LATEST TRANSACTION: Caisse De Depot Et Placement Du Quebec purchased 1,188,200 shares from July 31 to Sept. 6, 1990 for $10.05 to $12.19 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 991
#90268c0021 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 21, 1990, Caesars World (TICKER: CAW) extended its $22-per-share tender offer from Sept. 21 to Oct. 17, 1990.

-30- 313
#90268c0023 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

DR. R.A. FISCHMAN OWNS 936,470 SHARES (10.80%) OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC (TICKER: MEDR) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Dr. R.A. Fischman purchased 4,000 shares for $9.38 to $9.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 436
#90268c0024 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 525,000 SHARES (7.80%) OF SIERRA TUCSON COMPANIES INC (TICKER: STSN).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 394
#90268c0026 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 2,781,500 SHARES (9.40%) OF BUSINESSLAND INC (TICKER: BLI) OF SAN JOSE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to show an increase in the number of shares that are beneficially-owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board. No other significant information was included.

-30- 533
#90268c0027 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

CRSS INC OF HOUSTON, TX OWNS 11,118,000 SHARES (44.30%) OF NATEC RESOURCES INC (TICKER: NATC) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CRSS Inc. has agreed to purchase up to $10 million of a new issue of class A redeemable convertible preferred stock from Natec Resources Inc. in order to provide funds for continuing operations.

PURPOSE:

To provide working capital for Natec Resources Inc.

-30- 588
#90268c0028 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 272
#90268c0029 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 455,900 SHARES (8.20%) OF NSC CORP (TICKER: NSCC).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 369
#90268c0030 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 3,400,000 SHARES (9.60%) OF PIER 1 IMPORTS (TICKER: PIR) OF FT WORTH, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 392
#90268c0053 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN. 26, 1990, P.C. DOTTS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CITIZENS INDEPENDENT BANCORP BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90268c0054 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN. 26, 1990, P.C. DOTTS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CITIZENS INDEPENDENT

BANCORP BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90268c0056 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 3, 1990, R.O. WOLD, PRES. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (NORTH DAKOTA) BOUGHT 1,551 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,551.

-30- 324
#90268c0057 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, C.R. MYERS, CHAIRMAN OF MERCHANTS BANCORP (IL) (TICKER: NMBC) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90268c0058 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, C.R. MYERS, CHAIRMAN OF MERCHANTS BANCORP (IL) (TICKER: NMBC) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 319
#90268c0059 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, R.G. FICK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BOREL BANK & TRUST CO. SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90268c0060 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 31, 1990, R.G. FICK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BOREL BANK & TRUST CO. SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,026.

-30- 321
#90268c0061 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 3, 1990, H.C. BOWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANK (NC) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,800.

-30- 312
#90268c0062 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY AAC ACQUISITION CORP OWNS (100.00%) OF ALTOS COMPUTER SYSTEMS (TICKER: ALTO) OF SAN JOSE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Sept. 7, 1990, Altos was merged into AAC Acquisition, which then changed its name to Altos Computer Systems. The merger followed an $8.35 per share tender offer completed on Sept. 6, 1990. The merger entitles Altos' shareholders who have not tendered their shares to surrender their stock certificates for $8.35 per share in cash, the same price paid in the tender offer.

-30- 725
#90268c0065 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

G.WM. ERIKSON OWNS 115,814 SHARES (36.79%) OF CERBCO (TICKER: CERB) OF BAILEY'S CROSSROADS, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 19, 1990, the previously reported letter of intent in which Insituform of North America Inc. was to purchase the shares of G.WM. Erikson and Robert Erikson expired without consummation. The Eriksons have notified the company that no extensions would be given and negotiations have ceased. On Sept. 6, 1990, the plaintiffs in Merle Thorpe Jr. and Foundation for Middle East Peace v. Cerbco Inc. et al. filed an amended complaint adding INA as a defendant concerning the letter of intent and alleging breaches of fiduciary duty.

PURPOSE:

Letter of intent amendment.

-30- 898
#90268c0066 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

TRANSIT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC OWNS 282,300 SHARES (9.50%) OF NORTH EAST INSURANCE CO (TICKER: NEIC) OF PORTLAND, ME.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Transit Financial Holdings Inc. purchased 102,300 shares from Feb. 7 to May 1, 1990 for $1.38 to $2.44 per share and transferred 128,000 shares to Transit Insurance Co. on May 1, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 581
#90268c0067 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

A. HOFFMAN OF BOCA RATON, FL OWNS 11,677,924 SHARES (49.50%) OF AM COMMUNICATIONS INC OF MILFORD SQUARE, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

A. Hoffman sold 450,000 shares on Aug. 31, 1990 for $.05 per share and options for 766,333 shares expired on July 27, 1990.

-30- 459
#90268c0068 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GOLDEN OIL CO OWNS 1,811,359 SHARES (27.00%) OF COBB RESOURCES CORP (TICKER: COBB) OF ALBUQUERQUE, NM.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Golden Oil Co. purchased 117,500 shares for $.68 per share on Sept. 19, 1990.

-30- 410
#90268c0069 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 22, 1990, the buying group advised the special committee of Qume Corp. (TICKER: QUME) that the group intends to proceed with the closing of the merger only if all New Qume's conditions for the merger have been satisfied by Sept. 30, 1990. One of the conditions is that the Taiwan stock market shall not have dropped more than 50 percent from the date of the merger agreement through consummation. Currently the market has dropped 53 percent, and, therefore, the condition has not been met. If the conditions are not met, the group intends to cause New Qume to exercise its right to terminate the agreement. Effective Sept. 11, 1990, the parties to the capitalization agreement entered into an amended agreement.

PURPOSE:

Merger closing.

-30- 1002
#90268c0070 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

SUNDSTRAND CORPORATION OWNS 796,000 SHARES (14.99%) OF MILTON ROY CO (TICKER: MRC) OF ST. PETERSBURG, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a Sept. 20, 1990 merger agreement, Sundstrand will acquire all outstanding shares of the issuer which Sundstrand does not already own for $28 in cash per share in either Dec. 1990 or Jan. 1991. The transaction is subject

to regulatory approvals and will be submitted for approval by Milton Roy shareholders at a special meeting of shareholders tentatively scheduled for Dec. 5, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Agreement and plan of merger.

-30- 770
#90268c0071 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 212,635 SHARES (7.23%) OF BINKS MANUFACTURING (TICKER: BIN) OF FRANKLIN PARK, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 17, 1990 through Sept. 4, 1990, 25,900 shares were purchased at a price of $32.25 to $37.89 per share and 4,900 shares ware sold at a price of $32.50 to $36.50 per share.

-30- 518
#90268c0073 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY G.V. SMITH OWNS 174,000 SHARES (8.30%) OF FIRST CITIZENS FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: FCIT) OF SILVER SPRING, MD.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 5, 1990, Mr. Smith sold 114,000 shares of common stock of the company to the Gordon V. and Helen C. Smith Foundation at a price of $5.125 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 550
#90268c0074 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 229,573 SHARES (5.86%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 27, 1990 through Sept. 13, 1990, 25,207 shares were purchased at a price of $5.44 to $7.12 per share and 35,506 shares were sold at a price of $5 to $6 per share.

PURPOSE:

To acquire an equity interest in the company.

-30- 557
#90268c0075 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 254,500 SHARES (6.30%) OF COGNEX CORP (TICKER: CGNX) OF NEEDHAM, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 7, 1990 through Sept. 13, 1990, 45,000 shares were purchased at a price of $24 to $28.25 per share.

-30- 410
#90268c0076 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 254,500 SHARES (6.30%) OF COGNEX CORP (TICKER: CGNX) OF NEEDHAM, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 359
#90268c0077 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The sale of 19,650 shares on Sept. 10, 1990 included the sale of the 1,196 warrants for no additional consideration.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 10, 1990, 19,650 shares were sold at a price of $3 per share.

-30- 434
#90268c0078 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The bidder has agreed to sign a confidentiality agreement with Kansas Gas & Electric (TICKER: KSGE) in order to examine nonpublic information concerning the company for use in its tender offer.

-30- 426
#90268c0082 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

B.B. DONNELL OF WICHITA FALLS, TX OWNS 225,000 SHARES (12.08%) OF CAVALIER HOMES INC (TICKER: CXV) OF ADDISON, AL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 15 to Sept. 11, 1990, B.B. Donnell acquired 10,000 shares through the exercise of options at $3.12 per share and purchased 8,000 shares for $2.75 per share.

-30- 510
#90268c0084 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R & D Funding Corp. purchased 40,000 series A preferred shares and warrants to purchase 666,680 common shares for $2 million on Dec. 13, 1988.

-30- 359
#90268c0085 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY KELSO MANAGEMENT CO INC OWNS 306,435 SHARES (8.10%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Together, Kelso Management Co. Inc., the FIL investors and the FMR Investors own 501,824 shares, approximately 13.2 percent of the issued and outstanding shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 13 through Sept. 14, 1990, Kelso Management Co. Inc. purchased 26,050 shares at a price of $6.70 per share.

-30- 649
#90268c0086 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 190,050 SHARES (5.00%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Together, the Kelso Investors, the FMR Investors and Fidelity International Inc. own 501,824 shares, approximately 13.2 percent of the issued and outstanding shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 13 through Sept. 14, 1990, 48,550 shares were purchased at a price of $6.70 per share.

-30- 636
#90268c0087 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

FAULDING HOLDINGS INC OF DOVER, DE OWNS 10,741,660 SHARES (67.39%) OF MOLECULON INC (TICKER: MBIO) OF ELIZABETH, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an amended put/call agreement, dated as of June 15, 1990 by and among the purchaser and the Obermayer Group, on Aug. 22, 1990, the purchaser purchased an aggregate of 2,069,600 shares of Moleculon Inc.'s common stock from the Obermayer Group for $1.0846 per share, an aggregate of $2,244,688. The purchaser paid this amount from its general corporate funds after an advancement to it from the parent.

-30- 758
#90268c0088 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY ALPHI INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT CO OWNS 250,000 SHARES (12.70%) OF AULT INC (TICKER: AULT) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 10, 1990, Alphi Investment Management Co. sold 2,000 shares at a price of $1.50 per share and on Sept. 21, 1990, purchased 142,000 shares at a price of $1.44 to $1.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 578
#90268c0090 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HUGH V HUNTER, DIR. OF ANTHONY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER:

ANT), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90268c0091 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, HUGH V HUNTER, DIR. OF ANTHONY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ANT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,735.

-30- 309
#90268c0093 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JACK J MILLS, VP OF EVANS (BOB) FARMS INC. (TICKER: BOBE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,041.

-30- 314
#90268c0094 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, GEORGE S TROUPE, DIR. OF BRAINTREE SAVINGS BANK (TICKER: BTSB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 326
#90268c0095 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, KENNETH F ZARRILLI, DIR. OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,491.

-30- 363
#90268c0096 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 19, 1990, WILLIAM T MCLAUGHLIN II, PRES. OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,298.

-30- 334
#90268c0097 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, CAPITAL CITIES/ABC SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITAL CITIES/ABC INC. (TICKER: CCB), BOUGHT 724 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 346
#90268c0098 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, CAPITAL CITIES/ABC SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITAL CITIES/ABC INC. (TICKER: CCB), BOUGHT 723 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 346
#90268c0099 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CAPITAL CITIES/ABC SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITAL CITIES/ABC INC. (TICKER: CCB), BOUGHT 928 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 346
#90268c0101 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, RUDOLPH B PRUDEN, DIR. OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 135 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 131,119.

-30- 302
#90268c0102 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, RALPH BOOKBINDER, DIR. OF ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. (TICKER: EEI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90268c0103 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ALAN P GOLDBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST ALBANY COS.

(TICKER: FACT), BOUGHT 709 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 177,396.

-30- 335
#90268c0104 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, GEORGE C MCNAMEE, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST ALBANY COS. (TICKER: FACT), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 280,177.

-30- 318
#90268c0105 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HAROLD B SCOTT, DIR. OF FIGGIE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FIGI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 318
#90268c0106 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 04, 1987, JOHN W RYAN, DIR. OF FORUM GROUP INC. (TICKER: FOUR), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 950.

-30- 295
#90268c0107 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 27, 1987, JOHN W RYAN, DIR. OF FORUM GROUP INC. (TICKER: FOUR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 650.

-30- 295
#90268c0109 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1988, JOHN W RYAN, DIR. OF FORUM GROUP INC. (TICKER: FOUR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,950.

-30- 301
#90268c0110 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, GERBER PRODTS RET INVMT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF GERBER PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: GEB), BOUGHT 134 SHARES AT $55.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,877.

-30- 346
#90268c0111 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JOSEPH N LEVY, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: IRDV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90268c0112 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JOSEPH N LEVY, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: IRDV), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,000.

-30- 349
#90268c0113 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, FRED T JONES JR, PRES. OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,570,760.

-30- 334
#90268c0114 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, RONALD FEINSTEIN, DIR. OF LIFELINE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: LIFE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90268c0115 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, RONALD FEINSTEIN, DIR. OF LIFELINE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: LIFE), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90268c0117 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, RONALD FEINSTEIN, DIR. OF LIFELINE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: LIFE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,666.

-30- 321
#90268c0118 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN A ANTHES JR, VP OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 998 SHARES AT $1.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,881.

-30- 296
#90268c0119 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 31,750 SHARES AT $4.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90268c0120 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 39,625 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90268c0121 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 11,200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90268c0122 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:17 that trade in TVX Broadcasting Group Inc.(NASDAQ: TVXGC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7 5/8. The company is located in Virginia Beach, VA.

-30- 363
#90268c0123 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 6,800 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90268c0125 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 29,400 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90268c0126 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 34,000 SHARES AT $4.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90268c0127 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90268c0128 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $4.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90268c0129 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 27,300 SHARES AT $4.42 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90268c0130 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 84,365 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90268c0131 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 6,250 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90268c0133 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 2,950 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,991,652.

-30- 323
#90268c0134 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ARTHUR EDELSTEIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NATIONAL TECHNICAL SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: NTSC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 281,944.

-30- 361
#90268c0135 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WILLIAM W GRANT, DIR. OF PLAINS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: PLP), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $31.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,300.

-30- 310
#90268c0136 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, DANIEL A POGANSKI, OFFICER OF FAST FOOD OPERATORS INC.

(TICKER: POPI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 338
#90268c0137 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HOMER W CLAPPER, DIR. OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90268c0138 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HOMER W CLAPPER, DIR. OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,092.

-30- 319
#90268c0139 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, HOMER W CLAPPER, DIR. OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,020.

-30- 317
#90268c0141 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT J MULLIGAN, VP OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,475.

-30- 312
#90268c0142 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, CESAR RODRIGUEZ, VP OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 245 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 309
#90268c0143 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BEN L SWANSON, DIR. OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 312
#90268c0144 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, SUSAN A YATES, OFFICER OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,484.

-30- 323
#90268c0145 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 10, 1990, ROBERT L STARKS, DIR. OF SHORELINE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SLFC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90268c0146 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ROBERT L STARKS, DIR. OF SHORELINE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SLFC), BOUGHT 529 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,097.

-30- 326
#90268c0147 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ROBERT L STARKS, DIR. OF SHORELINE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SLFC), BOUGHT 184 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90268c0149 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ROBERT L STARKS, DIR. OF SHORELINE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SLFC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,725.

-30- 323
#90268c0150 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, THEO MOLL, DIR. OF THE STANDARD PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: SPD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,500.

-30- 308
#90268c0151 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JAMES O WELCH JR, DIR. OF TECO ENERGY INC. (TICKER: TE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,700.

-30- 305
#90268c0152 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WILLIAM D WALSH, DIR. OF URS CORP. (TICKER: URS), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 285
#90268c0153 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WILLIAM D WALSH, DIR. OF URS CORP. (TICKER: URS), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 285
#90268c0154 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, VINCENT CANNALIATO JR, DIR. OF NORTANKERS INC. (TICKER: VLC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90268c0155 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, VINCENT CANNALIATO JR, DIR. OF NORTANKERS INC. (TICKER: VLC), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0157 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, PATRICK J CONNOLLY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WILLIAMS-SONOMA INC. (TICKER: WSGC), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 237,826.

-30- 350
#90268c0158 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0159 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0160 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0161 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0162 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 23, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER:

ZAP), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0163 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0165 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 332,800.

-30- 312
#90268c0166 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0167 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0168 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90268c0169 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0170 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0171 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0173 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0174 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90268c0175 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0176 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0177 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0178 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90268c0179 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 3,200 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0181 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 295,900.

-30- 314
#90268c0182 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0183 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0184 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 3,200 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0185 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0186 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0187 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90268c0189 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 282,900.

-30- 312
#90268c0190 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0191 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0192 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0193 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0194 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0195 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0197 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0198 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0199 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0200 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES W JOBBINS, DIR. OF HELIONETICS INC. (TICKER: ZAP), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 248,400.

-30- 312
#90268c0201 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHOENIX MUTUAL OF ONE AMERICAN ROW, HARTFORD, CT 06115, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,369 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 433-3340)

-30- 430
#90268c0202 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD H GALOWICH OF 1248 N ASTOR, CHICAGO, IL 60610, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF HEALTHCARE COMPARE CORP. (TICKER: HCCC) THROUGH WIG

SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(HEALTHCARE COMPARE CORP. TEL: 312 719-9000)

-30- 425
#90268c0203 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HENRY E BASSING OF 24 DAVID STREET, HOLLISTON, MA 01746, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,005 SHARES OF BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB CO. (TICKER: BMY) THROUGH CALVERT SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB CO. TEL: 212 546-4000)

-30- 429
#90268c0205 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL E COPE OF 3655 COURTDALE, FARMERS BRANCH, TX 75234, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF INTERPHASE CORP. (TICKER: INPH) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(INTERPHASE CORP. TEL: 214 919-9000)

-30- 407
#90268c0206 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT W JENNINGS OF 5867 BROADWAY, DENVER, CO 80216, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(RYAN-MURPHY INC. TEL: 303 293-3835)

-30- 405
#90268c0207 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WEINTRAUB JOSEPH EST OF 250 SE 1ST STREET, C/O TRUST DEPT, MIAMI, FL 33131, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,053 SHARES OF NCNB CORP. (TICKER: NCB) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(NCNB CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 415
#90268c0208 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROGER M BUOY OF 2 LYONS PLAIN ROAD, WESTPORT, CT 06880, HAS FILED TO SELL 250,000 SHARES OF SOFTWARE TOOLWORKS INC. (TICKER: TWRX) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(SOFTWARE TOOLWORKS INC. TEL: 818 885-9000)

-30- 430
#90268c0209 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HUBERT J P SCHOEMAKER OF 1 GREENBRIAR LANE, PAOLI, PA 19301, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,005 SHARES OF CENTOCOR INC. (TICKER: CNTO) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(CENTOCOR INC. TEL: 215 296-4488)

-30- 412
#90268c0210 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN P MORGRIDGE OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 415
#90268c0211 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NETHERLANDS B V MEZZANINE OF 535 MADISON AVENUE 28TH FLOOR, C/O CHARTERH NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 87,975 SHARES OF THE MID-SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: MSRR) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(THE MID-SOUTH CORP. TEL: 212 421-3125)

-30- 458
#90268c0213 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:44 that trade in Cummins Engine Co.(NASDAQ: CUM) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

-30- 333

#90268c0214 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Cummins Engine Co. Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CUM. Trading was resumed at 10:00.

-30- 356

#90268c0215 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in MCA Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol MCA. Trading was resumed at 10:08.

-30- 327

#90268c0216 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:37 that trade in Polk Audio Inc.(NASDAQ: POLK) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7. The company is located in Baltimore, MD.

-30- 330

#90268c0217 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:00 that trade in Brush Wellman Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol BW.

-30- 314

#90268c0218 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Brush Wellman Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol BW. Trading was resumed at 11:52.

-30- 346

#90268c0219 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12;06 that trade in Polk Audio Inc.(NASDAQ: POLK) has been resumed. The first sale was 6 1/4; down 3/4 point from the halt, and down 1/8 point from the previous close.

-30- 358

#90268c0221 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Helmerich & Payne Finance N.V.(TICKER: HP), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Helmerich & Payne Inc., has elected to redeem all outstanding 7 1/2% s ubordinated debentures due in 1995.

This transaction is pursuant to the indenture, as amended, dated Oct. 15, 1980 between Helmerich & Payne Finance, N.V.; Helmerich & Payne Inc., as guarantor; and Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co., as trustee.

The redemption date is Oct. 12, 1990, with the principal amount of outstanding debentures totaling $34.04 million, as of Aug. 31, 1990.

Each $1,000 debenture may be redeemed for $1,005 in cash or may be exchanged for 17.32 shares of Sun Company (TICKER: SUN) and 17.32 shares of Oryx Energy (TICKER: ORX) common stock.

-30- 965

#90268c0222 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Blue Diamond Coal Co.(TICKER: BLDC) on Sept. 7, 1990, with certain of its wholly-owned subsidiaries, sold certain of their assets to Arch Mineral Corp., Arch Holding Co., Ark Land Co. and Arch Coal Sales Co. Inc.

The assets that were sold consist of the underground mining operations and related facilities known as the Scotia Mines, located in Letcher County, Kentucky and Wise County, Virginia.

Also sold were approximately 1,500 acres of leasehold properties in Pike County, Kentucky.

The purchase price for the assets was approximately $30 million in cash, plus the assumption by the Arch Group of approximately $9.3 million in liabilities.

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#90268c0227 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Seamen's Corp. announced Sept. 7 that holders of a majority of the company's Class A common stock approved a plan of liquidation and dissolution of Seamen's at a special meeting of stockholders Sept. 6.

The company will cease business operations, while its corporate existence continues for the purpose of liquidating its assets and winding up its business affairs.

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#90268c0228 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows BankEast Corp.(TICKER: BENH) announced Sept. 19 that two holders of $13 million in subordinated debentures have accelerated the maturity of this debt.

This action is substantially a demand to pay this debt in full, which BankEast presently is unable to fulfill. BankEast is a New Hampshire-based holding company with $1 billion in assets.

BankEast's chairman and chief executive officer, W.N. DeWitt, stated that if a negotiated resolution to the matter is not forthcoming, the institution may have to seek protection from its creditors.

He stressed that the noteholders' action should have no effect on the conduct of business by BankEast's subsidiaries, BankEast, an FDIC-insured banking subsidiary; BankEast Mortgage Corp.; and BankEast Trust Co.

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#90268c0229 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Loctite Corp.(TICKER: LOC) on Sept. 13, 1990, voted to change the company's fiscal year end from June 30 to Dec. 31, resulting in a six-month transition period.

The company's first full fiscal year following the transition will end on Dec. 31, 1991.

A transition report on form 10-K for the six-month transition period will be filed by Loctite.

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#90268c0230 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Port City Corp. on Sept. 10, 1990, acquired a 29% limited partnership interest in the Well Draw Gas Plant Partnership LTD exchange for $375,000 and a promissory note in the amount of $100,000.

As a result, the company is entitled to 29% of the partnership's income and loss.

The company believes it may acquire an additional 47% interest in the partnership by acquiring Northcut Energy Inc., a privately-held corporation which currently owns a 47% interest in the partnership.

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#90268c0231 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows KeyCorp (TICKER: KEY) signed a definitive merger agreement with Valley Bancorporation (TICKER: VYBN) of Idaho Falls.

Under the terms of the agreement, KeyCorp will issue 559,242 shares of KeyCorp common stock for all of the outstanding shares of Valley Bancorporation's common stock.

Upon completion of the acquisition, which does not constitute an acquisition of a significant subsidiary by KeyCorp, Valley Bancorporation will be merged into Key Bancshares of Idaho Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of KeyCorp, and Valley Bank (TICKER: VBVT), whose parent company is Valley Bancorporation, will be merged into Key Bank of Idaho.

As of June 30, 1990, Valley Bancorporation had assets of $227 million.

The proposed acquisition will be accounted for a pooling of interests.

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#90268c0233 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Lee Pharmaceuticals (TICKER: LPH) on Sept. 10, 1990, engaged Deloitte & Touche as its principal accountant for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Laventhal and Horwath were previously Lee's principal accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90268c0234 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Great American Management and Investment Inc.(TICKER: GAMI) distributed the outstanding common stock of Firstate Financial A Savings Bank, a savings and loan association located in Orlando, Florida, to Equity Holdings Limited, an Illinois limited partnership, as a dividend paid in property.

Equity Holdings was owner of approximately 92% of Great American's outstanding common stock as of Aug. 24, 1990.

Concurrent with the divident payment to Equity Holdings, all other common stockholders received a cash dividend equal to $0.8359 per share of common stock.

Great American also received an independent valuation opinion in connection with the distribution of Firstate, which indicated that the value of Firstate was lower than Great American's recorded book value.

Accordingly, Great American wrote down its investment in Firstate by approximately $7.6 million prior to the dividend distribution.

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#90268c0235 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 17, 1990, the U.S. Tax Court entered a decision in favor of Colorado National Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: COLC).

The court ruled that the value of purchased core deposits (deposit base intangibles) is deductible for federal income tax purposes.

The amount of the allowable deductions is to be computed by the company and the Internal Revenue Service, based on the court's findings.

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#90268c0236 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Electronic Technology Group Inc.(TICKER: ETEK) acquired on Aug. 22, 1990, all of the outstanding capital stock of Advanced Printed Circuit Technology II in consideration of $765,000 and Electronic's promissory note in the amount of $2 million.

This note bears interest at 12% per year and is payable Dec. 20, 1990.

It is secured by a pledge of the shares and Electronic's promissory note in the amount of $1.5 million at the same interest rate.

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#90268c0237 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 31, 1990, Bicoastal Corp.(TICKER: SIGP) sold the stock of its indirect wholly-owned subsidiary, Link-Miles Ltd., to Thomson Holding Ltd.(U.K.)(TICKER: TCSF) a wholly-owned subsidiary of Thomson-CSF.

Thomson, under the agreement, paid approximately $70 million of the $100 million base purchase price in cash, on Sept. 5, 1990, with approximately $20 million deposited into escrow as security for potential indemnification claims by Thomson for post-closing adjustments.

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#90268c0238 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 30, 1990, Daniel E. Levin exercised his option to require Chicago Dock and Canal Trust (TICKER: DOCK) to purchase a 425-unit residential building in Cityfront Place in Chicago.

Closing is expected to occur Dec. 31, 1990.

The current estimated purchase price is approximately $53 million.

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#90268c0239 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Walker International Industries Inc.(TICKER: WINT) entered into an agreement and plan of merger with Authorized Distribution Network Inc.(TICKER: ADNI) (ADN) and its subsidiary, RJC Acquisition Corp.

RJC Corp., pursuant to the agreement, acquired all of the issued and outstanding stock of Recticon Corp. from Walker in exchange for 1 million shares of ADN's common stock, through the merger of RJC into and with Recticon.

Walker, which is the payee of a certain subordinated demand promissory note of which Recticon is the maker, dated Sept. 28, 1988, in the principal amount of $100,000 with interest of 10% per year, may put the note to ADN and require ADN to purchase all of the same for additional shares of ADN common stock.

If Walker has not put the note to ADN by such time as ADN shall have completed a public offering of any equity securities, net proceeds of which are not less than $2.5 million, Walker may demand payment of all principal of, and accrued interest, on such note.

ADN is thereby obliged to cause Recticon to pay the principal and interest.

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#90268c0241 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Dynatem Inc.(TICKER: DYTM) lost $281,692, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $1.30 million for the year May 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $23,672, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.53 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1989.

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#90268c0242 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Electronic Technology Group Inc.(TICKER: ETEK) acquired on Aug. 22, 1990, all of the outstanding capital stock of Advanced Printed Circuit Technology II in consideration of $765,000 and Electronic's promissory note in the amount of $2 million.

This note bears interest at 12% per year and is payable Dec. 20, 1990.

It is secured by a pledge of the shares and Electronic's promissory note in the amount of $1.5 million at the same interest rate.

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#90268c0247 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
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#90268c0248 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:25 that trade in Gentex Corp.(NASDAQ: GNTX) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 6 1/4. The company is located in Zeeland, MI.

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#90268c0249 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:35 that trade in Filenet Corp. (NASDAQ: FILE) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 8.

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#90268c0250 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:50 that trade in Gentex Corp. (NASDAQ: GNTX) has been resumed. The first sale was 7 1/2; up 1 1/4 points from the halt, and up 1 3/8 points from the previous close.

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#90268c0251 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Summa Rx Laboratories'(TICKER: SMRX) combination of earnings and issuance of preferred

stock in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were sufficient to place Summa in compliance with the equity minimum required by the NASD to maintain the NASDAQ listing of the company's common stock.

The net equity of the company had fallen below that minimum as reported on the company's 10-K form for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

Summa RX reports the preferred stock and first-quarter earnings increased equity by $13,794.

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#90268c0253 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Cybertel Cellular Growth Fund L.P. filed to offer 100,000 limited partnership interests at $1,000 per interest.

The minimum offering is 35,000 limited partnership interests, and the minimum purchase is 5 interests.

The partnership has recently been formed to acquire and develop cellular telephone systems operating under a license granted by the Federal Communications Commission for a particular geographically defined market.

It also may acquire interests in construction permits or licenses to operate cellular systems or in entities holding such permits or licenses, as well as rights to acquire interests in such entities when formed.

The offering is managed by Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc.

The company's address is 900 North Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL, and its telephone number is (312) 440-4800.

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#90268c0254 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:40 that trade in TVX Broadcasting Group Inc.(NASDAQ: TVXG) has been resumed. The first sale was 8 7/8; up 1 1/4 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90268c0255 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - Congress was told today the cleanup of the savings and loan industry constitutes a national emergency requiring decisive action, including the establishment of a thrift "czar."

Postmaster General Anthony Frank outlined a proposal in which a blue ribbon board of private sector individuals from the business world would be appointed to administer all aspects of the thrift crisis, including comprehensive regulation and supervision of the industry, hiring and compensating management setting merger and real estate parameters and holding real estate off the market.

Frank added the board would be subject to annual congressional oversight hearings and name a czar with broad powers to interact with all agencies of government.

The Resolution Trust Corp., which is presently responsible for managing the thrift bailout, is seeking $122 billion to cover losses and provide working capital in fiscal year 1991, which begins Oct. 1. The RTC's problems have been recently compounded by the slowing economy, soft real estate market and the recent cancellation of an auction of hundreds of millions of dollars of real estate assets from failed thrifts.

Frank, former chief executive officer of First Nationwide Savings and Loan of San Francisco, California, said the RTC approach to selling off real estate properties as fast as possible is creating huge losses.

"The enormous losses generated by such a policy can be reduced by investing in and holding property rather than dumping; however, this approach involves risk possible censure, and courageous uncommon judgment," Frank told the Senate Banking Committee.

However, William Glencourse, chairman and chief executive officer of First Federal Savings and Loan of Lenawee County, said it is essential that the government not continue as the largest owner of real estate in the country.

"I believe that two things should be done to change this current scenario," said Glencourse. "Sell as soon as possible the real estate and other assets which the government keeps when it disposes of the deposits of troubled thrift institutions (and) put assets in the hands of private buyers who are required to put up significant private capital."

Lost amid the headlines of hundreds of failed thrifts is the fact that several hundred S&L's, including the above-mentioned thrifts, have remained economically healthy and profitable.

Edmond Shanahan, president and chief executive officer of Bell Federal Savings and Loan Association of Chicago, Illinois, said the secret to profitability is sticking to basics.

"Bell remained strong by remaining in the business we knew -- making home mortgages and by keeping our operating costs down," Shanahan said.

Glencourse believes the present system where all thrifts pay the same deposit insurance premiums unfairly penalizes conservative S&L's and is calling for a system of risk-based premiums.

"Risk-based deposit insurance premiums should be adopted in order to allow those of us operating in the most conservative manner to continue to compete successfully utilizing the lower profit margins obtainable on single family home mortgage loans," Glencourse said.

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#90268c0256 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:33 that trade in Filenet Corp. (NASDAQ: FILE) has been resumed. The first sale was 5 3/4; down 2 1/4 points from the halt, and down 3 1/4 points from the previous close.

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#90268c0257 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Cortex Pharmaceuticals Inc.(TICKER: CORX) lost $2.19 million, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $11,237 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.22 million, or $0.12 per share, on no revenues in fiscal 1989.

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#90268c0258 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Omni Capital Group Inc.(TICKER: OCGI) earned $4.78 million, or $1.91 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $3.33 million, or $1.34 per share, in fiscal 1989.

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#90268c0259 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Lancer Orthodontics (TICKER: LANZ) lost $74,200, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $6.93 million for the nine-month period ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $484,605, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $9.36 million for the 12-month period ended Aug. 31, 1989.

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#90268c0261 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Parkvale Financial Corp.(TICKER: PVSA) earned $3 million, or $1.73 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $3 million, or $1.76 per share, in fiscal 1989.

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#90268c0262 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Heldor Industries Inc.(TICKER: HDR) earned $1.37 million, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $26.73 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.73 million, or $0.47 per share, on revenues of $37.57 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90268c0263 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Landmark Graphics Corp.(TICKER: LMRK) earned $5.83 million, or $0.68 per share on revenues of $56.71 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $5.13 million, or $0.70 per share, on revenues of $41.38 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90268c0264 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - Aryt Optronics Industries Ltd.(TICKER: ARYT) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it lost $142,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.07 million for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $196,000, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $5.11 million for the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

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#90268c0265 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) COMTEX - American Fibre Corp.(TICKER: AMRFF) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it earned $549,042 (including an extraordinary gain of $672,000), or $0.07 per share, on no revenues for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $29,295 on no revenues for the same period in

1989.

The company's executive office is located at No. 701, 475 Howe Street, Vancouver, British Columbia Canada V6C 2B3.

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

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#90268c0268 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY PRIVATE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC OWNS 1,032,100 SHARES (9.59%) OF HEALTHVEST (TICKER: HVT) OF AUSTIN, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 26, 1990 through Sept. 17, 1990, Private Capital Management Inc. acquired 92,100 shares at a price of $2.31 to $2.51 per share and acquired 139,000 shares in a private transfer.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90268c0269 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY PRIVATE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC OWNS 520,972 SHARES (7.39%) OF UNIVERSAL HEALTH REALTY INCOME TR (TICKER: UHT) OF KING OF PRUSSIA, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 30, 1990 through Sept. 17, 1990, Private Capital Management Inc. purchased 48,100 shares at a price of $10.96 to $11.26 per share and acquired 18,072 shares in a private transfer.

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#90268c0274 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 47

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 20, 1990, Apple Bancorp(TICKER: APK)'s and Stahl's counsels commenced discussions regarding the procedure for assuring that simultaneously with the completion of the Stahl offer, company will terminate the Trusts, redeem the rights issued pursuant to the rights plan and that the Stahl designees will constitute a majority of the members of the board.

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#90268c0275 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - B.W. LYNCH OF 541 MAIN ST #410, S WEYMOUTH, MA 02190, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO.(TICKER: SDEV) THROUGH ADAMS HARKNESS & HILL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 20, 1990.

(SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO. TEL: 617 337-0877)

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#90268c0276 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - R.R. PETERSON OF 18640 SW GASSNER RD, ELOHA, OR 97007, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF FONE AMERICA INC. THROUGH NELSON SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 20, 1990.

(FONE AMERICA INC. TEL: 303 620-2400)

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FORM 144

SEC - R.R. PETERSON OF 18640 SW GASSNER RD, ELOHA, OR 97007, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF FONE AMERICA INC. THROUGH NELSON SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 20, 1990.

(FONE AMERICA INC. TEL: 303 620-2400)

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#90268c0278 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - P.B. FISH OF 709 SOUTH HIGH BENCH RD, ALPINE, UT 84004, HAS FILED TO SELL 273,333 SHARES OF MERLIN MINING CO. (TICKER: MMCO) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 20, 1990.

(MERLIN MINING CO. TEL: 801 521-6700)

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#90268c0279 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. EMMERMAN OF 25 HAYWOOD AVE, MILLER PLACE, NY 11764, HAS FILED TO SELL 138,888 SHARES OF HOMECARE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: HMIS) THROUGH GRUNTAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 20, 1990.

(HOMECARE MANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 516 654-3392)

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#90268c0280 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A. KARUNA-KARAN OF 18511 58TH AVE NE, SEATTLE, WA 98155, HAS FILED TO SELL 190,000 SHARES OF CYANOTECH CORP.(TICKER: CYAN) THROUGH NATIONAL SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 20, 1990.

(CYANOTECH CORP. TEL: 808 326-1353)

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#90268c0282 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H.W. GORDEN OF 5291 NORTH MESA DR, CASTLE ROCK, CO 80104, HAS FILED TO SELL 440,172 SHARES OF ENERCORP INC.(TICKER: ENEI) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 20, 1990.

(ENERCORP INC. TEL: 303 796-8940)

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#90268c0283 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G.B. BARRON OF 7741 MISSISSIPPI LANE N, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55444, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF HIGH COUNTRY VENTURES INC. THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN

HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 21, 1990.

(HIGH COUNTRY VENTURES INC. TEL: 612 888-6555)

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#90268c0284 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - & S.P.C. OVERTON OF 7720 E BELLEVIEW AVE, BLDG 46-B, SUITE 200, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,637 SHARES OF SCORPION TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SCPN) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 20, 1990.

(SCORPION TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 452-0700)

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#90268c0285 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS R OLIVER OF 8683 PLAYERS FAIRWAY, GERMANTOWN, TN 38138, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. TEL: 901 395-3382)

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#90268c0286 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN MCEVOY OF 943 E KORTSEN, UNIT-3, CASA GRANDE, AZ 85222, HAS FILED TO SELL 33,333 SHARES OF SHAREDATA INC. (TICKER: SHRD) THROUGH BRENNAN ROSS SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 17, 1990.

(SHAREDATA INC. TEL: 602 961-7519)

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#90268c0287 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J RICHARD CHALK JR OF 16814 MAPLE GLADE, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78240, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH LOVETT UNDERWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7008)

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#90268c0288 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ATLANTA INVESTORS LTD OF 6195 BARFIELD RD NE, SUITE 280, ATLANTA, GA 30328, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,750 SHARES OF SUPERIOR TELETEC INC. (TICKER: STT) THROUGH FIRST NASHVILLE CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(SUPERIOR TELETEC INC. TEL: 404 953-8338)

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#90268c0290 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK ROMPAL JR OF 306 WESLYAN AVE, VENTURA, CA 93003, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PHOENIX NETWORK INC. (TICKER: PHXN) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(PHOENIX NETWORK INC. TEL: 415 332-3030)

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#90268c0291 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P JUDITH CURLEY OF 513 EASTERBY ST, SAUSALITO, CA 94963, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PHOENIX NETWORK INC. (TICKER: PHXN) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(PHOENIX NETWORK INC. TEL: 415 332-3030)

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#90268c0292 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EQUITY CAPITAL FOR INDUSTRY LTD OF 501 EAST MIDDLEFIELD, 0, MTN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,033 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 000 000-0000)

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#90268c0293 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAL B PHILLIPS OF 5950 CANOGA AVE, SUITE 130, WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367, HAS FILED TO SELL 53,947 SHARES OF PHILLIPS (E.N.) CO. (TICKER: ENPQ) THROUGH TOLUCA PACIFIC SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(PHILLIPS (E.N.) CO. TEL: 818 999-1330)

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#90268c0294 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS J PHILLIPS OF 5950 CANOGA AVE, SUITE 130, WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367, HAS FILED TO SELL 53,947 SHARES OF PHILLIPS (E.N.) CO. (TICKER: ENPQ) THROUGH TOLUCA PACIFIC SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(PHILLIPS (E.N.) CO. TEL: 818 999-1330)

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#90268c0295 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH M DRINON OF RFD #10, P O BOX 389, CONCORD, NH 03301, HAS FILED TO SELL 53,333 SHARES OF FLEXWATT CORP. (TICKER: FWAT) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(FLEXWATT CORP. TEL: 508 291-2000)

-30- 402
#90268c0296 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENCOPE ENERGY CO ESOP & TR OF 12500 SAN PEDRO STE 500, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78216, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,808 SHARES OF NEW LONDON INC. (TICKER: NLON) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(NEW LONDON INC. TEL: 512 490-2296)

-30- 440
#90268c0298 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID E KAPLAN OF 3200 MONMOUTH AVENUE, LONGPORT, NJ 08403, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL MOBILE MACHINE COR (TICKER: IMMC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL MOBILE MACHINE COR TEL: 215 569-3880)

-30- 450
#90268c0299 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M J KALISH OF 2419 ST JOHNS, HIGHLAND PARK, IL 60035, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,395 SHARES OF MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. (TICKER: MIXX) THROUGH J.W. GANT & ASSOCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. TEL: 713 680-9661)

-30- 428
#90268c0300 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LONN FRIEND OF 12141 ALLIN ST, CULVER CITY, CA 90230, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 424
#90268c0301 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PRESTON F HARDING OF 74 BATTERSON PARK RD, P O BOX 887, FARMINGTON, CT 06034, HAS FILED TO SELL 43,000 SHARES OF LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: LCBI) THROUGH ADVEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. TEL: 203 282-6600)

-30- 467
#90268c0302 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CORRINE MARKS OF 8 GILBERT RD WEST, GREAT NECK, NY 11024, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL

SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 418
#90268c0303 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALD A KASHUK OF 17 BRIARCLIFF LANE, PAXTON, MA 01612, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF LUXTEC CORP. (TICKER: LUXT) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(LUXTEC CORP. TEL: 617 347-9521)

-30- 393
#90268c0304 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN J KEARY JR OF 75 MAPLE AVE, TROY, NY 12180, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(MEGA GROUP INC. TEL: 518 271-6044)

-30- 393
#90268c0306 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W DANIEL DANE OF 4909 E MCDOWELL RD, PHOENIX, AZ 85008, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,334 SHARES OF STATESWEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: SWAL) THROUGH HAMBROS BANK GUERNSEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 18, 1990.

(STATESWEST AIRLINES INC. TEL: 602 225-0505)

-30- 431
#90268c0307 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 14, 1990, CITICORP VENTURE CAPITAL LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: AX), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90268c0308 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 17, 1990, CITICORP VENTURE CAPITAL LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: AX), SOLD 193,100 SHARES AT $4.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124,002.

-30- 355
#90268c0309 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, D.M. PALMER, PRES. OF CONCORD COMPUTING CORP. (TICKER: CEFT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 320
#90268c0310 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, J.L. DOTI, DIR. OF CIMCO INC. (TICKER: CIMC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 283
#90268c0311 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, E.G. DUCKLESS, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANCORP. (TICKER: CBPA) INC BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,171.

-30- 316
#90268c0312 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, L.J. SEGER, DIR. OF GAB BANCORP. BOUGHT 120 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,949.

-30- 278
#90268c0314 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, D.C. WILSON, DIR. OF TELTONE CORP. BOUGHT 9,455 SHARES AT $0.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,455.

-30- 279
#90268c0315 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, J.R. NOLAN, DIR. OF FIRST OF AMERICA BANK CORP. (TICKER: FAO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $45.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90268c0316 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, J.R. NOLAN, DIR. OF FIRST OF AMERICA BANK CORP. (TICKER: FOA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,832.

-30- 319
#90268c0317 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, E.J. SCHAEFER, DIR. OF FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: FELE), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,337,240.

-30- 322
#90268c0318 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 2, 1990, A. HOFFMAN, BEN. OWNER OF AM COMMUNICATIONS INC. SOLD 140,500 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90268c0319 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, A. HOFFMAN, BEN. OWNER OF AM COMMUNICATIONS INC. SOLD 450,000 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,671,579.

-30- 316
#90268c0320 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, A.K. LAGER, PRES. OF APPLIED MEDICAL DEVICES INC.

(TICKER: AMDI) BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 616,667.

-30- 334
#90268c0322 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, H.G. EWANCHUK, CHAIRMAN OF CORONA CORP. (TICKER: ICR), SOLD 5,333 CLASS A SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90268c0323 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, H.G. EWANCHUK, CHAIRMAN OF CORONA CORP. (TICKER: ICR), SOLD 10,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,289.

-30- 316
#90268c0324 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 20, 1990, R.W. PICKETT, CHAIRMAN OF F&E RESOURCE SYS TECHNOLOGY INC. BOUGHT 200,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90268c0325 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 20, 1990, R.W. PICKETT, CHAIRMAN OF F&E RESOURCE SYS TECHNOLOGY INC. SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600,000.

-30- 338
#90268c0326 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, KERN L GILLETTE, OFFICER OF ACTION INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ACX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 317

#90268c0327 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROBERT C KIRSCH, PRES. OF ACTION INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ACX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90268c0328 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROBERT C KIRSCH, PRES. OF ACTION INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ACX), BOUGHT 22,500 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,000.

-30- 314
#90268c0330 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, KARL E WARE, DIR. OF ACME-CLEVELAND CORP. (TICKER: AMT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 306
#90268c0331 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 12, 1990, STEPHEN BLINN, OFFICER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90268c0332 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 14, 1990, STEPHEN BLINN, OFFICER OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90268c0333 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, DAVID F MULLER, CHAIRMAN OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 577,608.

-30- 332
#90268c0334 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, VICTOR B HALLBERG, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 319
#90268c0335 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, KARL J JALBERT, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90268c0336 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, KARL J JALBERT, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90268c0338 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, KARL J JALBERT, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90268c0339 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, KARL J JALBERT, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 211,777.

-30- 317
#90268c0340 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, EARL J BRANDT, DIR. OF CCNB CORP. (TICKER: CCNC), BOUGHT

2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,468.

-30- 308
#90268c0341 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 01, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $1.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0342 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 02, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 48,500 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0343 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 05, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0344 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 05, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $1.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90268c0346 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 05, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90268c0347 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 05, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0348 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 05, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0349 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 05, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90268c0350 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 05, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $1.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90268c0351 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 23, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90268c0352 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 27, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,901,304.

-30- 335
#90268c0354 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 15, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 31,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0355 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 16, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $2.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90268c0356 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 23, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $2.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90268c0357 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 23, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $2.59 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90268c0358 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 23, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $2.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,856,204.

-30- 333
#90268c0359 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0360 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 04, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0362 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 16, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90268c0363 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 5,140 SHARES AT $1.83 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90268c0364 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 23, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0365 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 27, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $1.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,750,064.

-30- 335
#90268c0366 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $1.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 292

#90268c0367 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 16, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $2.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0368 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0370 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0371 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $2.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0372 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $2.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0373 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $2.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500,064.

-30- 335
#90268c0374 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0375 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0376 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 2,400 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90268c0378 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 5,250 SHARES AT $1.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90268c0379 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0380 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,357,414.

-30- 335
#90268c0381 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $1.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0382 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 28,500 SHARES AT $1.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0383 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0384 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, MAXIMILIAN DECLARA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,258,914.

-30- 335
#90268c0386 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), SOLD 10,429 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 349
#90268c0387 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), SOLD 10,267 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 349
#90268c0388 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 343
#90268c0389 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90268c0390 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, CLAUDE B HUTCHISON JR, CHAIRMAN OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,825.

-30- 328
#90268c0391 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, J FRANK LEACH, PRES. OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $12.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,900.

-30- 337
#90268c0392 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 4,061 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90268c0394 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 1,533 SHARES AT $12.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 601,872.

-30- 366
#90268c0395 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 1,727 SHARES AT $13.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90268c0396 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 339 SHARES AT $13.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90268c0397 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 585 SHARES AT $13.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90268c0398 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 656 SHARES AT $13.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90268c0399 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 344 SHARES AT $13.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90268c0400 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 811 SHARES AT $13.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 597,410.

-30- 362
#90268c0402 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 799 SHARES AT $12.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90268c0403 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 535 SHARES AT $12.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 595,671.

-30- 362
#90268c0404 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, L WALLACE CROSS, VP OF CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORP. (TICKER: CNH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,235.

-30- 337
#90268c0405 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PAUL J GANCI, PRES. OF CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORP. (TICKER: CNH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,006.

-30- 345
#90268c0406 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, RAYMOND J ZABLOCKI, VP OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,333.

-30- 329
#90268c0407 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, KAROL D EMMERICH, VP OF DAYTON HUDSON CORP. (TICKER: DH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $57.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 306
#90268c0408 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, WILLIAM P FLIES, DIR. OF DATAKEY INC. (TICKER: DKEY), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 181,092.

-30- 301
#90268c0410 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 30, 1990, EDO CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF EDO CORP. (TICKER: EDO), SOLD 1,716 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90268c0411 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, EDO CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF EDO CORP. (TICKER: EDO), BOUGHT 7,688 SHARES AT $6.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 702,915.

-30- 300
#90268c0412 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROBERT W CREMIN, DIV. OFFICER OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90268c0413 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROBERT W CREMIN, DIV. OFFICER OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 500.

-30- 315
#90268c0414 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, HAROLD S MEDEN, OFFICER OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 309
#90268c0415 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, DAVID H WHITTEN, OFFICER OF FIRST AMFED CORP. (TICKER: FAMF), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 314
#90268c0416 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN W ALLISON, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLR), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,809.

-30- 337
#90268c0418 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, FEDERAL MOGUL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FEDERAL-MOGUL CORP. (TICKER: FMO), BOUGHT 4,631 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90268c0419 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JEFFREY W MILLER, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 3,933 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,311.

-30- 310

#90268c0420 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, FRANK BONGRAZIO, OFFICER OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90268c0421 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, FRANK BONGRAZIO, OFFICER OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90268c0422 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, FRANK BONGRAZIO, OFFICER OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 337
#90268c0423 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN M KENNEDY, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90268c0424 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOHN M KENNEDY, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,432.

-30- 336
#90268c0426 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, KENNETH C LEVINE, VP OF CLIFF ENGLE LTD. (TICKER: CLIF), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 306
#90268c0427 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ANDREW J SAMUTO, OFFICER OF HILLS DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: HDS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90268c0428 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ANDREW J SAMUTO, OFFICER OF HILLS DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: HDS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,450.

-30- 334
#90268c0429 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ROBERT J FITZSIMMONS, CHAIRMAN OF EYE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: EYTK), BOUGHT 288,000 SHARES AT $0.07 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,581,168.

-30- 341
#90268c0430 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ERWIN A GANSEL, OFFICER OF INFRASONICS INC. (TICKER: IFRA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 316
#90268c0431 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, ERWIN A GANSEL, OFFICER OF INFRASONICS INC. (TICKER: IFRA), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 138,048.

-30- 316
#90268c0432 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, GEORGE S COULTER, DIR. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 1,225 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 320
#90268c0434 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1989, JOHN R POL, SHAREHOLDER OF MULTI-COLOR CORP. (TICKER: LABL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90268c0435 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 22, 1990, JOHN R POL, SHAREHOLDER OF MULTI-COLOR CORP. (TICKER: LABL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,900.

-30- 317
#90268c0436 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CARL F GROVE, OFFICER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90268c0437 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, CARL F GROVE, OFFICER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90268c0438 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, VINCENT P BRENNAN, DIR. OF LAWRENCE INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: LWR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 344
#90268c0439 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DANIEL H LEEVER, PRES. OF MACDERMID INC. (TICKER: MACD), BOUGHT 1,960 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,166.

-30- 305
#90268c0440 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, DANIEL H LEEVER, VP OF MACDERMID INC. (TICKER: MACD), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,206.

-30- 296
#90268c0442 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MAX A COON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MEDAR INC. (TICKER: MDXR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,500.

-30- 315
#90268c0443 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EMMETT E MOORE, VP OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. (TICKER: MEDC), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $34.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,917.

-30- 317
#90268c0444 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, L STANTON WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 637.

-30- 315
#90268c0445 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WAYNE D MCCLAY, DIR. OF MINVEN GOLD CORP. (TICKER: MVG),

SOLD 200 SHARES AT $1.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,200.

-30- 303
#90268c0446 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, GLEN R BROWN, VP OF MAXUS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: MXS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,082.

-30- 301
#90268c0447 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, EDWARD J YABLECKI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NIAGARA EXCHANGE CORP. (TICKER: NIEX), BOUGHT 270 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,982.

-30- 345
#90268c0448 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, RAMON SCHWARTZ JR, DIR. OF NBSC CORP. (TICKER: NSCB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90268c0450 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLIAM A HODDER, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 140 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90268c0451 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, C ANGUS WURTELE, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 140 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90268c0452 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, LOYD J COLE, BEN. OWNER OF ORBIT GAS CO (TICKER: OGHS), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 78,321.

-30- 310
#90268c0453 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, C JAMES MCCORMICK, DIR. OF ORANGE-CO. (TICKER: OJ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90268c0454 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, PALMER W BIGELOW JR, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 344
#90268c0455 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, MICHAEL S SHAW, VP OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90268c0456 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, WOODBURY C TITCOMB, PRES. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90268c0458 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, WOODBURY C TITCOMB, PRES. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,186.

-30- 345
#90268c0459 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, WOODBURY C TITCOMB, PRES. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,502.

-30- 343
#90268c0460 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, JOHN A SAXTON, VP OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 3,113 SHARES AT $79.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0461 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 16, 1990, JOHN A SAXTON, VP OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 3,207 SHARES AT $83.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0462 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID D TRIPPLE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE PIONEER GROUP INC. (TICKER: PIOG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90268c0463 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID D TRIPPLE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE PIONEER GROUP INC. (TICKER: PIOG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,560.

-30- 343
#90268c0464 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, MARK J GALLAGHER, VP OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,628.

-30- 330
#90268c0466 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, F SEDGWICK BROWNE, OFFICER OF PHOENIX RE CORP. (TICKER: PXRE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 316
#90268c0467 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 04, 1990, RANDALL D HUNT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUIKSILVER INC. (TICKER: QUIK), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90268c0468 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, RANDALL D HUNT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUIKSILVER INC. (TICKER: QUIK), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 336,000.

-30- 329
#90268c0469 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, FRANCIS E FERGUSON, DIR. OF RALSTON PURINA CO. (TICKER: RAL), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $93.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 272.

-30- 310
#90268c0470 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GARY M SHELL, OFFICER OF RICHFOOD HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: RCHF), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250.

-30- 314
#90268c0471 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, RICHARD A VANDEUREN, DIR. OF REXWORKS INC. (TICKER:

REXW), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90268c0472 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, RICHARD A VANDEUREN, DIR. OF REXWORKS INC. (TICKER: REXW), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,500.

-30- 311
#90268c0474 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, ANTHONY W DEERING, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,279.

-30- 301
#90268c0475 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DAVID WEITZMAN, OFFICER OF RESOURCE RECYCLING TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: RRT), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,583.

-30- 353
#90268c0476 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MAYLAND E SKINNER, SHAREHOLDER OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: SMGS), SOLD 2,087 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90268c0477 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MAYLAND E SKINNER, SHAREHOLDER OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: SMGS), SOLD 1,622 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,852.

-30- 374
#90268c0478 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, L GLENN ORR JR, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 1,475 SHARES AT $13.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,684.

-30- 328
#90268c0479 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MAURICE SEGALL, DIR. OF SHAWMUT NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90268c0480 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, MAURICE SEGALL, DIR. OF SHAWMUT NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SNC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,266.

-30- 314
#90268c0482 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WELDON B JOLLEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: SPI), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90268c0483 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WELDON B JOLLEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: SPI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90268c0484 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WELDON B JOLLEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: SPI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90268c0485 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WELDON B JOLLEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: SPI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90268c0486 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, WELDON B JOLLEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: SPI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,680.

-30- 350
#90268c0487 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, KATE B WOOD, DIR. OF THE SUMMIT BANCORP. (TICKER: SUBN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90268c0488 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, KATE B WOOD, DIR. OF THE SUMMIT BANCORP. (TICKER: SUBN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90268c0490 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN A ROBERTSHAW JR, DIR. OF SOUTHWEST NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SWPA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,400.

-30- 326
#90268c0491 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ADAM E WOLF, DIR. OF TEREX CORP. (TICKER: TERX), BOUGHT 225 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,600.

-30- 287
#90268c0492 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HARRY J FERGUSON, DIR. OF THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TII), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 313
#90268c0493 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, BERNARD W ROGERS, DIR. OF THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TII), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 305
#90268c0494 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, RALPH E PHILLIPS SR, DIR. OF TRANSWORLD BANCORP. (TICKER: TWBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,787.

-30- 328
#90268c0495 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 12, 1990, DONALD W BAUMGARTNER, DIR. OF UNIVERSAL MEDICAL BUILDINGS LP (TICKER: UMB), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 115,000.

-30- 354
#90268c0496 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, LOUIS B GUTHMANN JR, OFFICER OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,270.

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#90268c0498 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ARTHUR L GOLDSTEIN, DIR. OF UNITRODE CORP. (TICKER: UTR), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 303

#90268c0499 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, BART M HACKLEY JR, DIR. OF VENTURA COUNTY NATL BANCORP. (TICKER: VCNB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 303

#90268c0500 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, BART M HACKLEY JR, DIR. OF VENTURA COUNTY NATL BANCORP. (TICKER: VCNB), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

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#90268c0501 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BART M HACKLEY JR, DIR. OF VENTURA COUNTY NATL BANCORP. (TICKER: VCNB), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $7.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,469.

-30- 345

#90268c0502 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JOHN L DAMPEER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VAN DORN CO. (TICKER: VDC), BOUGHT 154 SHARES AT $15.86 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 167,494.

-30- 324

#90268c0503 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, WILLETT FOSTER, DIR. OF EASTERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: VFBK), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,828.

-30- 314
#90268c0504 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, WALTER A EBERSTADT, DIR. OF WORLDWIDE VALUE FUND INC. (TICKER: VLU), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90268c0506 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WALTER A EBERSTADT, DIR. OF WORLDWIDE VALUE FUND INC. (TICKER: VLU), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $15.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 120,654.

-30- 337
#90268c0507 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DONALD P NIELSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF VWR CORP. (TICKER: VWRX), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $15.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,200.

-30- 307
#90268c0508 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, FREDERICK R ADLER, DIR. OF WORDSTAR INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WDST), SOLD 856,998 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 330
#90268c0509 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JOHN F GEISSE, CHAIRMAN OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC. (TICKER: WHLS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 501,028.

-30- 324
#90268c0510 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FENIMORE ASSET MANAGEMENT INC OF COBLESKILL, NY OWNS 57,645 SHARES (5.18%) OF TRANSWORLD BANCORP (TICKER: TWBC) OF SHERMAN OAKS, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Since filing its first amendment on March 7, 1988, Fenimore Asset Management Inc. has purchased 5,905 shares for $12 to $14 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 535
#90268c0511 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 23

GROUP LED BY ITM ACQUISITION CORP OWNS 25,843,009 SHARES (61.10%) OF MACK TRUCKS INC (TICKER: MACK) OF ALLENTOWN, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

RVI announced on Sept. 24, 1990 that the Dept. of Justice terminated the waiting period under the HSR Antitrust Improvements Act relating to ITM offer for Mack Truck Inc.'s shares. RVI also announced that the offer had been extended until 9 p.m., Sept. 28, 1990. As of Sept. 21, 19.9 percent of the outstanding Mack Truck Inc. shares had been tendered under the offer. The beneficially-owned shares include 12,592,509 shares which RVI has the right to acquire, plus 500 shares owned by Mr. Raoul Chabot.

-30- 852
#90268c0512 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GROUP LED BY ITM ACQUISITION CORP OWNS 25,843,009 SHARES (61.10%) OF MACK TRUCKS INC (TICKER: MACK) OF ALLENTOWN, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

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-30- 853
#90268c0514 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD OWNS 4,772,000 SHARES (22.88%) OF HENLEY GROUP INC DEL (TICKER: HENG) OF HAMPTON, NH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 20, 1990, Libra Invest & Trade LTD have purchased 1,665,000 shares at $20.03 to $20.25 per share.

-30- 468
#90268c0515 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.E. RAMSER JR OWNS 47,690 SHARES (5.16%) OF FIRST KNOX BANC CORP (TICKER: D.FRS) OF MT. VERNON, OH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 6,425 shares which are to be acquired with the conversion of 8.5 percent FKNB Sub. Deb.

LATEST TRANSACTION: R.E. Ramsey purchased 188 shares at $41.75 per share on Sept. 11, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 582
#90268c0516 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 18, 1990 A. Cutler met with Sheldon Newman, the president and CEO of Algorex Corp.,(TICKER: ALGO) to discuss the possibility of A. Cutler acquiring additional shares of Algorex Corp. for a capital contribution to Algorex Corp. No agreement resulted from the discussion.

-30- 511
#90268c0517 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.R. GLENN OWNS 462,000 SHARES (5.27%) OF MACLAND INC (TICKER: MACL) OF TEMPE, AZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 27, 1990 Macland Inc. commenced a public offering of 1 million units comprised of two common shares and one common stock purchase warrant. J.R. Glenn acquired his shares in consideration of his contribution of cash of $75,100 and as compensation for legal and other services rendered to Macland which were valued at $2,000.

PURPOSE:

Registration of common shares in connection with a public offering.

-30- 718
#90268c0518 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

T.L. DEPETRILLO OF PROVIDENCE, RI OWNS 1,550,000 SHARES (62.50%) OF COASTLAND CORP OF FLORIDA (TICKER: CLFL) OF LAKELAND, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Feb. 10, 1990 T.L. Depetrillo converted his 50 percent portion of a $125,000 note and requested the company to issue 550,000 common shares. As of Sept. 11, 1990 the 550,000 shares had not been issued as Coastland Corp. of Florida was seeking stockholder consent to increase the authorized stock to cover the new shares.

PURPOSE:

For investment and control.

-30- 725
#90268c0519 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 711,000 SHARES (11.65%) OF BYTEX CORP (TICKER: BYTX) OF SOUTHBOROUGH, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 23 and Sept. 13, 1990 FMR Corp. purchased 58,000 shares at $6.82 to $10.38 per share. Between July 20 and Sept. 18, 1990 FMR Corp. sold 91,000 shares at $7.88 to $10.50 per share.

-30- 509
#90268c0520 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 711,000 SHARES (11.65%) OF BYTEX CORP (TICKER: BYTX) OF SOUTHBOROUGH, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 30 and Sept. 7, 1990 Fidelity International LTD sold 20,000 shares at $7.81 to $9.97 per share.

-30- 438

#90268c0522 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY BEAGLE LTD OWNS 136,512 SHARES (7.46%) OF BASIC PETROLEUM INTL LTD (TICKER: BPIL) OF PARIS, FRANCE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 31, 1990 and Sept. 24, 1990 Beagle LTD purchased 20,500 shares at $17.63 to $19.50 per share.

-30- 457
#90268c0523 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 464,867 SHARES (5.20%) OF CLEAN HARBORS INC (TICKER: CLHB) OF BRAINTREE, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 394
#90268c0524 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY VENTURE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LTD OWNS 2,556,979 SHARES (28.80%) OF NRUC CORP (TICKER: NRUV) OF PICKENS, SC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a Sept. 10, 1990 agreement by Venture and Michael G. Dunn, David H. Hancock and Scullin Steel Co., Venture agreed to purchase 1.7 million shares and the sellers agreed to cancel warrants to acquire 1,394,019 shares for an aggregate of $1,232,500 plus 19 percent of the net proceeds from certain claims against the US government and from the disposition of 346 boxcars currently leased to the Canadian National Railway. The shares currently have no voting rights, but the company has agreed to submit to

shareholders a proposal to grant Venture voting rights for the shares. Venture anticipates that if voting rights are not granted, it will exercise its rights to cancel the transaction. Venture also plans to nominate one or more candidates to the board.

-30- 1126

#90268c0525 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

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ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a Sept. 10, 1990 agreement by Venture and Michael G. Dunn, David H. Hancock and Scullin Steel Co., Venture agreed to purchase 1.7 million shares the sellers agreed to cancel warrants to acquire 1,394,019 shares for an aggregate of $1.232,500 plus 19 percent of the net proceeds from certain claims against the US government and from the disposition of 346 boxcars currently leased to the Canadian National Railway. The shares currently have no voting rights, but the company has agreed to submit to shareholders a proposal to grant Venture voting rights for the shares. Venture anticipates that if voting rights are not granted, it will exercise its rights to cancel the transaction. Venture also plans to nominate one or more candidates to the board.

-30- 1126

#90268c0526 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY TELLUROGENIC INC OWNS 2,242,478 SHARES (52.06%) OF SUMMA RX LABORATORIES INC (TICKER: SMRX) OF MINERAL WELLS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Tellurogenic donated 783,000 shares to the De Damier Trust on Jan. 1, 1990 but the shares were not transferred on the company's books until July, 1990.

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#90268c0527 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Justin announced that a US Federal court judge denied a motion by the Sutherland/Rosenthal Group to compel the directors of Justin to call a special shareholder's meeting and refused to delay the closing of the offer, scheduled for Sept. 25, 1990.

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#90268c0529 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - Kaufmann, Alsberg & Co. Inc., a New York investment company and its affiliates, has settled a legal battle with Kysor Industrial Corp.(TICKER: KZ) that will raise Kaufmann, Alsberg's stake in the Cadillac, Mich., maker of automotive parts, to 12.2 percent or 735,200 common shares.

Under a Sept. 14 agreement, Kaufmann, Alsberg acquired 483,000 shares for $9.15 each or $4.4 million, and agreed to dismiss a lawsuit that it had brought against Kysor Industrial, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The settlement also give Kysor Industrial the right of first refusal to buy back 252,200 of the shares over the next 10 years.

Kaufmann, Alsberg is the parent of The Enstar Financial Services Inc., The Enstar Group and American Savings and Loan Assoc.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 25, 1990.

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#90268c0531 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - Toronto-based Fahnestock Viner Holdings Inc., (TICKER: FAHN) a wholly owned subsidiary of Fahnestock & Co. Inc., has acquired the operating assets of B.C. Christopher Securities Co., a regional stock brokerage based in Kansas City, Mo., for $4.4 million.

As a result of the acquisition, Fahnestock obtained 140 investment consultants in 10 branch offices in Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska, and 400 part-time investment consultants in 40 locations associated with Central Life Assurance

Co. of Des Moines, Iowa, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 25, 1990.

-30- 848

#90268c0532 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - Financially troubled Canaveral International Corp.(TICKER: CANI) of Miami has received a two-week extension to make $2.12 million in overdue mortgage payments.

The mortgage will be in default as of September 28 but the company has been given until October 15 to make the overdue payments, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Failure to make the payments could result in a foreclosure or sale of the property.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 25, 1990.

-30- 717

#90268c0533 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

NEWTEL INC OWNS 6,036,002 SHARES (55.18%) OF TVX BROADCAST GROUP INC (TICKER: TVXG) OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

PCI has proposed in a letter dated Sept. 25, 1990 to a special committee of the board of directors of TVX Broadcast Group Inc. that PCI acquire the remaining minority interest in TVX Broadcast Group Inc. at a price of $9.50 per share in a merger or other business combination transaction.

PURPOSE:

Possible business combination.

-30- 666

#90268c0534 09/25/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

LOEWS CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 9,343,253 SHARES (10.05%) OF CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL CORP (TICKER: CHA).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 6 and Sept. 21, 1990 Loews Corp. purchased 1,039,800 shares at $25.63 to $27.00 per share.

-30- 437
#90268c0535 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,564,400 SHARES (9.23%) OF GEO INTERNATIONAL CORP (TICKER: GX).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 390
#90268c0536 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY E.W. ROSE III OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 1,064,850 SHARES (17.60%) OF LODGISTIX INC (TICKER: LDGX) OF WITCHITA, KS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In mid-Aug. 1990 E.W. Rose III became aware that Lodgistix Inc. was seeking financial or merger partners and was engaged in discussions with Sulcus Computer Corp. On Aug. 24, 1990 E.W. Rose III presented a proposal to Lodgistix Inc. pursuant to which $500,000 would be lent to Lodgistix Inc. on or before Aug. 31, 1990 and up to an additional $1 million would be committed upon satisfaction of certain conditions. The proposal also provided that E.W. Rose III would receive warrants to purchase Lodgistix Inc. common shares and be entitled to board representation. The offer was not accepted by Lodgistix Inc. and has expired. On Aug. 26, 1990 Payne notified Lodgistix Inc. that E.W. Rose III believed that the Sulcus transaction would not be in the best interest of stockholders and that E.W. Rose III continued to have interest in

developing an acceptable proposal. On Aug. 30, 1990 Lodgistix Inc. announced that it had entered into an agreement in principal to merge with Sulcus. On Sept. 21, 1990 E.W. Rose III entered into an agreement under which he will sell 1 million Lodgistix Inc. common shares to Bernie Mantel. E.W. Rose III is still interested in developing a proposal that he feels would be better than the Sulcus transaction.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 23, 1990 E.W. Rose III purchased 1 million shares at $.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1739
#90268c0537 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY ACADIA PARTNERS LP OWNS 6,163,648 SHARES (15.90%) OF VONS COMPANIES INC (TICKER: VON) OF EL MONTE, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 6, 1990 and Sept. 21, 1990 Acadia Partners LP purchased 476,300 shares at $18.50 to $19.55 per share.

-30- 467
#90268c0539 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.W. ZERBIB OWNS 14,653,257 SHARES (49.50%) OF HOSPITALITY CAPITAL CORP (TICKER: HSPC) OF PHOENIX, AZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In connection with the acquisition by Hospitality Capital Corp. of all of the outstanding common shares of International Environmental Corp., J.W. Zerbib received 8,046,400 common shares of the issuer in exchange for 846 shares of IEC.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.W. Zerbib purchased 6,606,857 common shares Sept. 12 for a purchase price of $315,000.

-30- 689
#90268c0540 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.F. KEALY OWNS 4,700,000 SHARES (16.20%) OF HOSPITALITY CAPITAL CORP (TICKER: HSPC) OF PHOENIX, AZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 12, 1990 J.F. Kealy received 4,700,000 shares of Hospitality Capital Corp. in exchange for 500 common shares of International Environmental Corp. in connection with Hospitality Capital Corp.'s acquisition of all of IEC's common shares.

-30- 576
#90268c0541 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.P. KEALY OWNS 4,700,000 SHARES (16.20%) OF HOSPITALITY CAPITAL CORP (TICKER: HSPC) OF PHOENIX, AZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 12, 1990 J.P. Kealy received 4,700,000 shares of Hospitality Capital Corp. in exchange for 500 common shares of International Environmental Corp. in connection with Hospitality Capital Corp.'s acquisition of all of IEC's common shares.

-30- 576
#90268c0542 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

G. COHEN OWNS 22,672,352 SHARES (27.20%) OF NEW YORK FILM WORKS INC (TICKER:

NYFW) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

In Dec. 1989 G. Cohen purchased 2,652,562 common shares at $.016 to $.02 per share.

-30- 414
#90268c0543 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

MULTIPLEX ELECTRICAL SERVICES INC OWNS 365,214 SHARES (8.10%) OF FIRECOM INC (TICKER: FRCM) OF DEER PARK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 30 and Sept. 12, 1990 Multiplex Electrical Services Inc. purchased 102,000 shares at $.26 to $.27 per share.

-30- 462
#90268c0544 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY TNI INC OWNS 3,790,389 SHARES (74.20%) OF NASTA INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: NAS) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 21, 1990 TNI Inc. announced that a special committee of the board of Nasta International Inc. had unanimously recommended the Tyco offer as fair and recommended that Nasta International Inc. stockholders tender their shares.

-30- 560
#90268c0545 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY TNI INC OWNS 3,790,389 SHARES (74.20%) OF NASTA INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: NAS) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 21, 1990 TNI Inc. announced that a special committee of the board of Nasta International Inc. had unanimously recommended the Tyco offer as fair and recommended that Nasta International Inc. stockholders tender their shares.

-30- 561
#90268c0547 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY MEADOWSTAR HOLDING CO INC OWNS 1,289,680 SHARES (9.00%) OF AMERICAN REAL ESTATE PARTNERS L P (TICKER: ACP) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Meadowstar has entered into an acquisition agreement, dated as of Sept. 13, 1990 with Integrated Resources Inc., a debtor-in-possession under Chapter XI of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. Pursuant to the agreement, Integrated Resources Inc. has agreed to sell and Meadowstar has agreed to purchase all of the outstanding shares of common stock of American Property Investors Inc. which is the sole general partner of the issuer and of American Real Estate Holdings Ltd. Partnership, and API Nominee Corp. According to representations and warranties in the agreement, API is the record and beneficial owner of 1,254,280 Units, and Nominee is the record, but not the beneficial, owner of 408,700 Unites. The purchase price for the API and Nominee common stock to be acquired by Meadowstar is $44,000,000, subject to certain adjustments, of which a down payment of $2,000,000 was paid into an escrow account on Sept. 13 1990 pursuant to an escrow agreement, dated Sept. 13, 1990. Personal funds of Mr. Icahn were used to make the down payment.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From June 28, 1990 through July 24, 1990, Unicorn purchased 35,400 units at a price of $10 to $11 per unit.

PURPOSE:

To obtain control of American Real Estate Partners LP.

-30- 1638

#90268c0548 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

AMERICAN PRESIDENT COS LTD OF OAKLAND, CA OWNS 647,174 SHARES (10.00%) OF AMTECH CORP (TICKER: AMTC) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 390
#90268c0549 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

D.R. HEAD OWNS 946,850 SHARES (3.20%) OF HOSPITALITY CAPITAL CORP (TICKER: HSPC) OF PHOENIX, AZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include warrants to purchase 400,000 shares of common stock at a price of $.15 per share, which warrants will expire five years from the date of issue.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 12, 1990, D.R. Head purchased 333,333 shares of company's common stock in consideration of the cancellation of indebtedness owed by the company to D.R. Head.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 729
#90268c0550 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

C.J. HOFFMANN III OF PHOENIX, AZ OWNS 952,449 SHARES (3.20%) OF HOSPITALITY CAPITAL CORP (TICKER: HSPC) OF PHOENIX, AZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include warrants to purchase 60,000 shares of common stock of the company.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 12, 1990, C.J. Hoffman III purchased 333,333 shares of company's common stock in consideration of the cancellation of indebtedness owed by the company to C.J. Hoffman III.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 697
#90268c0551 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY M.A. COHEN OWNS 574,953 SHARES (30.20%) OF RAPITECH SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: RPSY) OF SUFFERN, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 35,000 shares issuable upon exercise of stock options owned of record by Mr. Cohen, and as to which Mr. Cohen has sole dispositive power; 3,000 shares owned of record by an entity of which Mr. Cohen is a principal and 133,334 shares owned of record by Clarion, and as to which Mr. Cohen shares voting and dispositive power; and 403,619 shares issuable upon exercise of options and warrants owned of record by Clarion, and as to which Mr. Cohen shares dispositive power.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of securities.

-30- 892
#90268c0552 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L. TYNDALL OWNS 4,550,000 SHARES (76.70%) OF EAGLE ENTERTAINMENT INC (TICKER: EEGL) OF MESA, AZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to two separate transactions embodied in an agreement and plan of reorganization both dated as of Aug. 30, 1990 and a third transaction embodied in a share exchange agreement dated as of Aug. 30, 1990, control of the company was acquired by Louie Tyndall and LS&M Gas & Oil Co. In the first agreement 3,950,000 shares of the company's series A preferred stock was acquired by each of Louie Tyndall and LS&M Gas & Oil Co. Each share of preferred stock is convertible into one share of common stock and carries one vote per share. The issuance of the series A preferred stock was made in consideration for 100 percent of the issued and outstanding common stock of Family Finance. Pursuant to the second agreement and plan of reorganization, 600,000 shares of the company's series B preferred stock was issued to Louie Tyndall. The series B preferred stock was issued in consideration for, among other things, 100 percent of the issued and outstanding common stock of Tyndall Motor. As a condition subsequent to the consummation of such share exchanges, the company consummated the divestiture of the company subsidiaries pursuant to the company's transfer of 100 percent of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of company subsidiaries to the company shareholders in exchange for 1,956,299 shares of the company's common stock held by Lawrence Vanger and International Advisory Services, S.A. These shares were held in treasury and are designated to be canceled.

PURPOSE:

To acquire control of the company.

-30- 1890
#90268c0553 09/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY M.A. COHEN OWNS 448,057 SHARES (25.20%) OF RAPITECH SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: RPSY) OF SUFFERN, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Jan. 26, 1988, Clarion Capital Corp. returned to Rapitech Systems Inc. warrants to purchase 126,892 shares of Rapitech Systems Inc.'s common stock for an undisclosed consideration.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY M.A. COHEN OWNS 568,128 SHARES (12.00%) OF RAPITECH SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: RPSY) OF SUFFERN, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On April 15, 1988, Clarion Capital Corp. and Mortona A. Cohen acquired 105,332 shares and 6,728 shares, respectively, at a price of $.32 per share upon the exercise of class B warrants.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

M.J. BLUMENFELD OF FARMERS BRANCH, TX OWNS 712,964 SHARES (18.20%) OF BSN CORP (TICKER: BSN) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M.J. Blumenfield and other BSN officers have exchanged certain incentive stock options held by them and issued under BSN's stock option plan for a like number of non-qualified stock options with an exercise price equal to $5.125. As a result of this exchange, Mr. Blumenfeld has the right to acquire 79,979 shares subject to those non-qualified stock options that are currently exercisable. All of Mr. Blumenfeld's incentive options have been terminated.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 27, 1990 through Sept. 21, 1990, M.J. Blumenfield purchased 70,300 shares at a price of $5.23 to $6.50 per share.

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#90268d0010 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HARARE (SEPT 25) - The central committee of Zimbabwe's ruling Zanu(Pf) party has decided to abandon its aim to introduce a one-party constitution and outlaw political opposition, sources here confirmed Tuesday.

The sources, who asked not to be named, said the decision came after a six-hour meeting Saturday of the 160-member body when President Robert Mugabe found himself in a tiny minority of supporters of the one-party policy.

The move is yet another sign of southern African nations ditching the ideals of the elder generation of politicians, following the dramatic sequence of events in eastern Europe last year.

Zimbabwe's constitution sets out a bill of rights which declares the freedom of citizens to belong to whatever political organisation they choose.

Up to April this year, the 10th anniversry of independence, the clause was protected by a provision that demanded that it could only be changed with the approval of every member of parliament.

After April, however, the protection expired and Mugabe needed only a two-thirds majority to introduce a one-party state and make opposition to his party a crime.

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#90268d0060 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT 25) - The foreign ministers of France and Indonesia met here Tuesday and agreed to begin preparations for reconvening the Paris Conference on Cambodia.

Roland Dumas of France and Ali Alatas of France discussed the latest Cambodian developments on the sidelines of the U.N. General Assembly session.

The two ministers, whose countries co-chair the Paris Conference on Cambodia "consider that the way is now open for the resumption and the conclusion of the Paris International Conference on Cambodia," a joint communique said.

It said the two "co-chairmen agreed to intensify their consultations with a view to reconvening the Paris Conference as soon as possible."

The five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council -- the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain, France and China -- are to meet shortly with representatives of the Supreme National Council (SNC) formed by the four warring Cambodian parties at a meeting in Jakarta earlier this month, the communique said.

There was no word on where this meeting would take place, but analysts said it would probably be in New York.

Monday, Mr. Alatas told the General Assembly that the acceptance by the four Cambodian parties of the peace plan crafted by the U.N. Big Five last month and their formation of the SNC to embody Cambodian sovereignty during the transition to U.N.-monitored elections was a major step forward.

The SNC, on which the Phnom Penh Government and the tripartite Cambodian

resistance -- linking the Khmer Rouge with two non-communist groups -- are equally represented, is to take over Cambodia's U.N. seat.

The four Cambodian parties have also agreed to a major U.N. role in governing Cambodia during the transition to the elections.

The Paris Conference groups the U.N. Big Five, the four Cambodian parties, the six members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations -- Brunei,

Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand -- Japan and Australia.

It is widely expected to meet in November to ratify a final, global Cambodian settlement.

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#90268d0070 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MILAN (SEPT 25) - Pampers, part of the Procter and Gamble group, and leading Italian nappy maker Fater are to set up a joint company controlling 90 percent of the Italian market, it was announced here Tuesday.

The new operation would also sell its products in Spain, Portugal and Britain.

Pampers and Fater, which makes diapers under the Lines label, are to each hold a 50 percent stake in the new operation, which will have annual turnover of around 1,000 billion lire (870 million dollars).

The new company will combine Procter and Gamble-Italia's nappy, sanitary towel and incontinence pad operations with those of the Finaf group which controls Fater.

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#90268d0130 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (SEPT 25) - An earthquake measuring 5.5 on the Richter scale Tuesday rocked the town of Roudbar in the northwestern Iranian province of Gilan that was devastated by an earthquake in June, the Iranian news agency IRNA reported.

The agency, citing Teheran University's geophysics centre, located the epicentre of the quake at 300 kilometres (180 miles) northwest of the capital. There were no immediate reports of casualties or damage.

Around 40,000 people were killed in Gilan and the Roudbar valley when the June 21 earthquake struck, measuring at least 7.3 on the Richter scale. One million people were left homeless.

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#90268d0160 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ZURICH (SEPT. 25) - The Zurich stock market was in a somber mood again on Tuesday in very light trading, under the influence of Wall Street's poor Monday performance and the weakness of most European exchanges.

The Swiss Performance Index fell by 2.1 percent on the day, shedding 19.3 points to finish at 908.7. The Swiss Bank Corp. indicator finished at 520.4 against 531.5 at the Monday close, and the Credit Suisse index at 490.0 against 500.7.

Secondary issues were particularly weak. In machines, Sig registered stock plunged by 10.53 percent, but Buehrle went against the trend to rise by 2.32 per cent. Mikron (micro-mechanisms) lost 10 percent. In the paper sector, Sihl scored a spectacular jump of 17.65 percent.

Analysts commented that the market downtrend should now come to at least a temporary halt, as some blue chips have reached attractive levels. But they added that the Swiss bourse is sometimes irrational.

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#90268d0280 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 25) - The Paris Bourse had another losing session on Tuesday, breaking down through the 1,500-point level on the CAC 40 stock price index in moderately active trading.

The index finished at 1,485.39 points, a 1.16 percent drop in the wake of a loss of 2.66 percent on Monday.

The market opened on Tuesday with a tiny gain of 0.03 percent, but the mood quickly changed for the worse as oil prices rose, even going above the level of 41 dollars a barrel on the spot market before falling back on profit-taking.

Operators said the same scenario has been repeated most days recently on the Bourse, with sell orders coming in in the morning on worries about the Gulf situation, oil prices, and possible recession.

French issues suffered on Tuesday, especially Pinault, which plunged by 18.8 per cent following announcement of absorption of the CFAO by the Pinault Group. That plunge had been expected. Union de Credit pour le Batiment was off by 10.1 percent on the day, and CCMC 9.1 percent.

Mines Pro Salsign managed a 9.6 percent jump, while Conept was up 8.2 and Hutchinson eight percent.

Foreign stocks were also generally lower except for gold mines and mining conglomerates, which benefited from higher gold prices.

The downtrend noted on the bond market on Monday came to an end on Tuesday, as medium- and long-term interest rates were steady to slightly lower.

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#90268d0290 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (SEPT 25) - The Soviet Union on Tuesday resumed oil deliveries to Hungary after a one-week gap, the Hungarian news agency MTI said.

The suspension came after Moscow had announced a 30 percent reduction in oil deliveries to Hungary, worsening the energy crisis here.

The Hungarian government on Thursday authorised the purchase of 450,000 tonnes of oil and 35,000 tonnes of petrol on the international market to compensate for the lost Soviet supplies.

It set aside 150 million dollars to pay for this amount, but the rise in Brent crude oil prices to close to 40 dollars a barrel since suggest it would not be enough.

Mineralimpex, tasked by the government with buying the oil on the international market, said that so far it had received only four or five offers worthy of interest.

Speaking in Paris Tuesday Hungarian Prime Minister Joszef Antall said cutbacks in deliveries of Soviet oil at a time of soaring crude prices were going to cost Hungary half a billion dollars.

Mr. Antall, who is on a private visit to France, asked his French counterpart Michel Rocard at a meeting Tuesday for French aid to be stepped up,

notably for construction of a nuclear power plant, a metro for Budapest and the acquisition of Airbus airliners, according to French officials.

Mr. Antall said at a press conference that the Soviet Union has notified Hungary that it will receive only 315,000 tons of oil in October, against 450,000 tons previously expected.

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#90268d0340 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) - Asia as a whole is projected to enjoy continued rapid growth rates, the chairman of the joint annual meetings of the World Bank and International Monetary Fund (IMF) said Tuesday.

Opening the first session of the meetings, attended by 152 finance ministers from around the world, Kenyan Vice President and Finance Minister George

Saitoti said Asia was the only region among the developing countries which was expected to continue enjoying rapid economic growth.

World Bank President Barber Conable said that results were mixed and even in Asia "poverty has proven a stubborn foe."

Mr. Conable said: Three of the world's most populous nations - India, China and Indonesia - have made progress towards reducing poverty.

"Even so, more than one billion people, half of them in South Asia, still live on less than a dollar a day."

But "impressive results" were possible and "new industries have flourished in East Asia" and "the incidence of poverty in Indonesia was reduced from 60 per cent to 20 percent during the 1960's and 1970's."

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#90268d0360 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT 25) - European Economic Community veterinary experts are to hold an emergency meeting to prevent the spread of an epidemic which is ravaging East German herds of cattle, an informed source said here Tuesday.

East German cattle and beef, like all East German products, have been able to freely enter the EEC since August 1.

Some 35 percent of East German catttle, or a million animals, are affected by leucosis, a cancerous tumour which affects cattle but does not endanger human health, according to European experts.

French Agriculture Minister Henri Nallet said during a meeting of EEC agriculture ministers Tuesday that he was concerned over the "state of health of East German herds" and called for a guarantee from the European Commission that East German imports complied with EEC health standards.

Several other countries, including the Netherlands, Portugal, Ireland and Denmark called during the meeting for tighter checks on goods coming from East Germany into the EEC.

Beef prices are already at low levels in the EEC partly due to lower consumption sparked by "mad cow disease," or bovine spongeiform encephalitis (BST), first reported in Britain early this year.

Officials have said there is no evidence that the illness can harm humans but several EEC countries closed their borders to British beef, at least temporarily, as a result of the outbreak.

The leucosis epidemic in East Germany could have serious financial

repercussions for the EEC, experts here said.

The East German farmers, like those in Britain whose cows were found to be suffering BST, will probably have to slaughter their sick animals.

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#90268d0420 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 25) - Persistent fund selling took copper prices lower on the London Metal Exchange (LME) Tuesday.

Three-months copper fell as low as 1,435 pounds per ton in morning ring trading, from 1,456 on Monday, but recovered from lows to quote at 1,447 pounds per ton on the kerb.

Aluminium was also weaker, quoting at 1,905 dollars per ton on the kerb against 1,900 on the afternoon ring and 1,990 Monday.

Analysts said that the bear trend in copper was now firmly established despite the six-week-old Minero Peru strike, as stocks continue to flow into LME warehouses (LME stocks were up 6,750 tons at 181,550 tons in figures released Tuesday).

Nevertheless the long-term fundamental outlook for aluminium continues strong, they said, given the existing and planned refinery capacity under threat in the Gulf area.

Zinc recovered from Monday's seven-month low, although trading in the metal was thin.

Three-months Special High-Grade zinc was quoted at 1,394 dollars per ton on the kerb against 1,395 on the ring and 1,367 on Monday.

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#90268d0450 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Lisbon (SEPT. 25) - Observers from the United States and the Soviet Union are attending a fourth round of talks aimed at settling the 15-year civil war in the former Portuguese colony of Angola, sources said Tuesday.

The sources, who asked to remain unnamed, said the negotiations between the Angolan government and the U.S.-backed Unita rebels got under way Monday evening at the air force academy in Sintra, 30 kilometres west of the Portuguese capital.

The delegations met again on Tuesday. No details were given.

The sources said the Soviets sent a delegation headed by Vladimir Kazimirov, a

former ambassador to Luanda. The U.S. delegation was said to be led by an official of the U.S. embassy in Lisbon.

Unita and the Mpla, the nationalist organisation that gained control of the country in 1976, last met in August but failed to resolve their differences. The talks have been mediated by Durao Barroso, Portugal's foreign minister.

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#90268d0780 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 25) - The fourth accused in Britain's Guinness trial, 74-year-old millionaire financier Sir Jack Lyons, was fined three million pounds (5.5 million dollars) here Tuesday for his role in the scandal.

The judge, Justice Denis Henry, said he had decided not to jail the financier only because this would aggravate his poor health. Sir Jack has been suffering from cancer for several years and recently had an operation.

The financier, a personal friend of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, was guilty of "dishonesty on a major scale", for which a man in good health would have been jailed for three years, the judge said.

Three men have already been jailed following Britain's most far-reaching share scandal, for illegal manipulation of Guinness shares during the 1986 five billion dollar take-over battle for Scottish whisky maker Distillers.

Former Guinness chairman Ernest Saunders, 54, was jailed for five years last month. Heron International chairman Gerald Ronson, 50, was jailed for a year and fined five million pounds (9.5 million dollars), while stockbroker Anthony Parnes, 45, was jailed for two-and-a-half years.

All three men have appealed.

Justice Henry also decided Tuesday that Mr. Saunders would not, as previously planned, be tried on further charges.

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#90268d1020 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ADDIS ABABA (SEPT 25) - The International Development Association (IDA), the soft-loan affiliate of the World Bank, is to extend a 35-million-dollar loan to Ethiopia to help finance urban development projects in the capital, following an agreement signed here Tuesday.

The project, aimed at the urban poor whose monthly income is below 150 dollars will cover development of residential houses and repair of roads, installation of service infrastructures such electricity, water and sanitation services, the Ethiopian News Agency (ENA) quoted Addis Ababa chief

administrator Gizaq Negussie who signed the agreement as saying.

Mr. Gizaq said that some 50,000 to 58,000 households of the city's estimated 1.5 million population were eligible for assistance through the project but did not specify how many would benefit from the loan agrement.

A 20-million-dollar loan from IDA in 1983 and Ethiopian government contribution of another eight million dollars enabled city authorities to construct nearly 3,200 housing units, mostly for low-income groups, in Addis Ababa's southern suburbs after the project was completed earlier this year.

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#90268d1030 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT 25) - An Iraqi spokesman Tuesday said the speech by French President Francois Mitterrand before the United Nations General Assembly was ''non-aggressive.''

The Iraqi news agency Ina quoted the spokesman as saying ''we have detected a non-aggressive tone in Mr. Mitterrand's speech and an attempt to seek a solution to the region's issues.''

Mitterrand called Monday for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait and said that could by followed by international efforts to solve regional conflicts, including the Palestinian question and the situation in Lebanon.

What caused resistance among the Iraqi people was the United States' penetration into the region to enforce U.N. resolutions against Iraq, he said.

''Such unique measures were never taken when the U.N voted on similar resolutions concerning similar incidents in the region,'' the spokesman said.

He was apparently referring to Israeli occupation of Arab territories and Israeli action in the Lebanon, observers said.

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#90268d1080 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONROVIA (SEPT 25) - Rebel leader Charles Taylor on Tuesday threatened to end a two-day ceasefire if a West African peacekeeping force (ECOMOG) in Monrovia sends in troop reinforcements.

"We have always said the ceasefire would only be respected as long as ECOMOG did not reinforce its troops," Mr. Taylor, leader of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) told Agence France-Presse.

"If these soldiers enter Liberian territorial waters, we will end the ceasefire," he added.

Sierra Leonean port officials confirmed Tuesday that a Nigerian landing craft left Freetown late Sunday for Monrovia with 800 Nigerian soldiers on board.

African diplomats in Freetown said two Nigerian war ships -- the NNS Ohue and the NNS Barawu -- and a merchant vessel Majidun left for Monrovia late Monday from Lagos with "a number" of soldiers on board.

ECOMOG force commander Arnold Quainoo of Ghana and his recently-appointed field commander Joshua Dogonyaro of Nigeria were expected to leave for Monrovia by Wednesday with about 500 Ghanaian soldiers still at the Freetown port, diplomats said.

Two Nigerian frigates and a merchant ship were expected to set sail for Monrovia with food for ECOMOG troops and about 80,000 Liberians still in the port and central Monrovia.

The five-nation peacekeeping force, comprising troops from Nigeria, Ghana,

Guinea, the Gambia and Sierra Leone, was sent into Monrovia by the Economic Community of West African States last month to impose a ceasefire in Liberia's bloody nine-month civil war.

The troops were also to install an interim government set up August 30 by Liberian politicians in the Gambian captial, Banjul.

Sources in Abidjan could not confirm the arrival of the ship in the Liberian capital.

Meanwhile, ceasefire talks between the commander of the Liberian presidential guard and the NPFL failed to start as planned Tuesday at the Monrovia city hall.

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#90268d1270 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN FERNANDO, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 25) - Two foreign oil companies are to begin drilling for natural gas on the western Philippine island of Palawan next year President Corazon Aquino said here Tuesday.

The two companies would probably strike the reserves by mid-1991, she added.

She did not name the companies, but said the Dutch oil firm Shell and a U.S. firm had confirmed the deposit of natural gas and oil condensates in the area.

Mrs. Aquino told about 30,000 people in a rally in this town north of Manila that "huge reserves of natural gas" of up to one trillion cubic feet, and 37 million barrels of oil condensates could exist in Palawan. The find would help

the country cope with the Gulf crisis, she added.

The government said earlier that natural gas could be used for power generation or develop into liquified petroleum gas.

The Philippines imported 97.4 per cent of the 72.79 million barrels of oil it consumed in 1989. Oil accounts for more than 60 per cent of the Philippines' energy needs, with hydrolelectric and geothermal or volcanic steam supplying part of the electricity requirements.

The government raised domestic oil prices by 29 per cent over the weekend, sparking scattered protests by transport workers on Monday

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#90268d1280 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT 25) - Leader of the white-liberal Democratic Party (DP) Zach de Beer said Tuesday his party and the ruling-National Party were discussing an election and parliamentarty pact.

Mr. de Beer told the South African news agency Sapa a formal statement on the issue would be released after President Frederik de Klerk's return from a three-day visit to Washington.

It will address the possibility of the DP and NP forming an alliance against the ultra-right Conservative Party (CP) in future by-elections and in parliament.

Observers believe the move would also aim to prevent the CP from winning a pending by-election in Randburg, adjoining Johannesburg, brought about by the resignation recently of former DP co-leader Wynand Malan in July.

The DP candidate in the by-election Alan Dawson has reportedly been told by the DP hierachy to step down following a deal between Dr. De Beer and the NP's Transvaal leader, Finance Minister Barend du Plessis.

The DP, deprived of its political platform by the government's reforms, voted at its September congress in the Transvaal, however, to seek a place for the party with black leaders at the negotiating table on South Africa's constitutional future.

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#90268d1330 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (SEPT 25) - Saudi foreign minister Prince Saud al-Faisal arrived here Tuesday from Cairo with a message for President Hafez al-Assad from King Fahd, the Syrian news agency SANA reported.

Prince Saud was greeted on arrival by the Syrian minister of state for foreign affairs, Nasser Kaddour, SANA said. Foreign Minister Farouk al-Shara accompanied Mr. Assad on a visit to Teheran that ended earlier Tuesday.

In Cairo, the prince met Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and also delivered a message from King Fahd.

Egypt and Syria, as well as Morocco, have deployed troops in Saudi Arabia as part of a U.S.-led multinational force to deter a possible Iraqi attack against the kingdom after the August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90268d1350 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ADDIS ABABA (SEPT 25) - The Ethiopian government Tuesday released 120 prisoners, some of them political detainees, in the Eritrean capital Asmara following an amnesty, Ethiopian Radio reported.

It said the prisoners, which it described as ''political and legal'', had been serving terms ranging from one to eight years. The government freed 500 prisoners in Eritrea on September 9 to mark the 16th anniversary of the Ethiopian revolution.

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#90268d1530 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (SEPT 25) - The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) pledged here Tuesday that the repatriation of Vietnamese boat people would be done with dignity and without force.

Sergio Vieira de Mello, regional head of the commission for Asia and Oceania, said last week's accord in Hanoi between Vietnam, Britain, Hong Kong and the commission represented "some progress".

The agreement allowed for the repatriation of the Vietnamian refugees, even if they did not want to go.

Mr. Vieira de Mello said the accord gave priority to those refugees who volunteered to go home, but also provided for the return of those who, although not volunteering to go home, did not actually resist repatriation.

He said that the commission would ensure that the second group of refugees would be treated "humanely, with dignity and safety" and that he hoped this would result in thousands of Vietnamese refugees agreeing to return home.

There are currently about 55,000 boat-people in Hong Kong refugee camps. But only 9,000 have received political refugee status.

Hong Kong is insisting that most of the others return to Vietnam. But the United States has opposed forced repatriation.

Hong Kong forcibly sent a first group of 51 boat people judged to be economic migrants back to Vietnam in December but was forced to halt the programme following an international furore.

Diplomatic sources say the European Economic Community plans to donate about 130 million dollars to ease the reinsertion of the boat-people back into Vietnamese society.

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#90268d1580 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (SEPT 25) - Electricity supply to Pretoria's two black townships are to be terminated at 4:00 a.m. (0200 GMT) Wednesday, the anti-apartheid United Democratic Front (UDF) said Tuesday night.

The authorities said power was being cut off because residents of the townships had run up huge bills because of a payment boycott.

Such boycotts of electricity bills and payments for other services provided by the authorities have been used for several years as anti-apartheid protests.

Breaking an embargoed statement put out by Pretoria's ruling National Party-controlled city council which was to coincide with the cut-off, UDF publicity secretary Ronnie Mamwepa condemned the act as "an act of bad faith".

He told AFP the city council had taken the decision unilaterally while talks between the authorities and residents' associations of the Attridgeville and Mamelodi townships were still underway.

"This action will exacerbate the problem rather than solve it," he said.

The embargoed city council statement said it had been forced to take the step because the two black town councils had not paid their bills as a result of a politically-inspired payment boycott.

By August 24 the arrears for Attridgeville and Mamelodi had respectively reached 1,7 million rands (646,000 dollars) and 3 million rands (1.14 million dollars), the statement said.

Mr. Mamwepa called on the Pretoria council to desist from its "high-handed" action and "learn from the experiences in Soweto where discussions and debate had brought about a resolution to the problem".

The Soweto rent and services boycott was ended Monday after negotiations resulted in the establishment of the country's first non-racial, democratic

"metropolitan chamber", a local government body.

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#90268d1590 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (SEPT 25) - Junior doctors in Ghanaian government hospitals launched a five-day strike Monday to back claims for better pay and working conditions, a spokesman for the doctors said here Tuesday.

He said the doctors would decide whether to continue their work stoppage after five days, depending on whether their demands were met.

The spokesman said the doctors were demanding that proposals submitted to the government by the Ghana Medical Association be adopted. He did not give details.

Only senior doctors were working in government facilities Tuesday, the Ghana News Agency reported.

Health Secretary Nana Akuoko Sarpong has urged the doctors to return to work, saying his "doors were still open" to negotiations.

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#90268d1620 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (SEPT 25) - An Islamic organisation in Iran is to hold a demonstration here Friday to protest the deployment of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, the Iranian news agency IRNA reported Tuesday.

The Islamic Propagation Organisation called on other Moslem states to hold similar protests the same day. The demonstration here was to converge on Teheran University before the start of the weekly Moslem prayers.

"Would wolves guard the sheep?" the organisation asked in a statement. "Oh Moslems, is it not time to awake from slumber? Will you bear further insults to your Islamic dignity and plundering of God-given resoures?"

More than 100,000 U.S. troops have been deployed in oil-rich Saudi Arabia, guardian of Islam's holiest places, to defend against a possible Iraqi attack following the August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90268d1630 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT 25) - Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama urged Iraq Tuesday to withdraw its troops unconditonally from Kuwait and to allow all foreigners trapped on its territory to leave.

In a speech to the U.N. Genereal Assembly's 45th session here, he said Tokyo "calls upon Iraq to heed the repeated Security Council resolutions and to withdraw promptly and unconditionally from Kuwait."

"The Iraqi measures barring the departure of many Japanese and other foreign nationals in Iraq are intolerable," he added.

The minister was due to spell out his country's stance on the Gulf crisis during a foreign minister-level meeting of the U.N. Security Council later Tuesday which was expected to approve an air embargo against Iraq.

After restating his country's commitment to its war-renouncing constitution and an expanded U.N. role, Mr. Nakayama said Japan is "prepared to cooperate in every possible way within the bounds of its constitution so that the United Nations' collective security mechanism can function effectively."

Mr. Nakayama recalled that Japanese Premier Toshiki Kaifu was seriously considering new legislation to enable Japan to assume greater responsibilities regarding U.N. activities to preserve peace.

Mr. Kaifu was due to meet U.S. President George Bush here Saturday on the sidelines of a summit on the rights of children.

The Japanese premier is to leave New York Monday for an eight-day Middle East tour which will take him to Egypt, Jordan, Turkey, Saudi Arabia and Oman.

Tokyo has pledged to contribute two billion dollars to a Gulf Peace Fund, agreed upon with the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates).

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#90268d2140 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 25) - President George Bush Tuesday praised Turkey for its role in the Gulf crisis and promised Turkish President Turgut Ozal that his country would be compensated for heavy losses caused by the international embargo against Iraq.

Mr. Bush assured the visiting Turkish leader he would press for easing import quotas on Turkish textiles, with renegotiations beginning in October.

"Turkey wants more trade than aid," said Mr. Ozal.

He said a principal objective of his visit here was to reopen the question of relaxing import quotas on Turkish textiles.

Mr. Bush said he would pressure Congress not to reduce military aid to Turkey and that he would use his influence to press for inclusion of Turkey in the

European Economic Community (EEC).

"Turkey has stood firm and steadfast despite the heavy burden the Iraqi invasion has placed on its own economy," Mr. Bush said during a ceremony in the White House garden under clear, blue skies.

Mr. Bush thanked Mr. Ozal for his "leadership and courage" and said that "from the earliest stages of this struggle, Turkey has been in the forefront of the international condemnation of Iraq."

"In short, Turkey has served as a protector of the peace, rallying to its friends when those friends are imperiled," Mr. Bush said.

Shortly after the United Nations voted to slap the embargo on Baghdad August 6 Turkey closed the pipeline through which Iraq shipped its oil to the Mediterranean.

Mr. Ozal said despite the costs, Ankara would stick by the international embargo because "the economic embargo may be the only hope for achieving this objective."

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#90268d2170 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 25) - Bulgaria and Namibia joined the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank here Tuesday, raising the two institutions' membership to a total of 154 countries.

Belcho Belchev, Bulgarian deputy premier and finance minister, signed the articles of agreement of the Fund and the Bank on behalf of the People's Republic of Bulgaria.

Signing for newly-independent Namibia was the country's finance minister, Otto Herrigel.

The signing ceremonies took place at the U.S. State Department, where the agreements are deposited.

Czechoslovakia joined the two institutions last week after an absence of four decades.

The three new members were welcomed by top officials of the IMF and the World Bank at the opening of their annual meetings Tuesday morning.

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MOSCOW (SEPT 26) - Singapore Prime Minister Lee Kuan-Yew, here on a five-day

official visit to the Soviet Union, met with President Mikhail Gorbachev on Tuesday for talks on improving bilateral relations, the Tass news agency said.

Mr. Gorbachev said he felt there were "good prospects" for economic cooperation between the two countries as a result of the contacts Mr. Lee had made in the Soviet Union, Tass reported. He also stressed Moscow's desire to develop relations, according to Tass.

The two leaders also evoked the situtation in the Gulf and agreed on the need for a peaceful solution to the crisis with the help of the United Nations Security Council, Tass said.

Mr. Lee, who last visited Moscow in September 1970, is accompanied by Singapore's first deputy prime minister, minister of state for trade and industry, foreign minister, and law and home affairs minister.

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JERUSALEM (SEPT 26) - Palestinian groups linked to Baghdad could set off a wave of terrorist attacks against Western interests if war breaks out with Iraq, according to the University of Tel Aviv's Center for Strategic Studies.

A report released Tuesday by the research center said Iraq could call on the services of two groups in particular: the Fatah-Revolutionary Command led by Abu Nidal and the Palestine Liberation Front (PLF) headed by Abul Abbas.

Abu Nidal's group has moved from Libya to Iraq, according to the report, while the Baghdad-based PLF has always had close relations with the Iraqi regime.

Center researchers Anat Kurtz and David Tal said they believed it was unlikely Baghdad would encourage terrorist actions unless an armed conflict were actually to break out with multinational forces stationed in the Gulf.

But they did not rule out the possibility that terrorist groups backed by Baghdad might strike out at Israeli targets worldwide to provoke an Israel riposte against Iraq, which would then appear as a victim of aggression.

They said there had been a decline in the number of terrorist activities by Palestinian groups worldwide, from 433 incidents in 1988 to 406 last year. They explained the drop, saying, "Palestinian energies have been channeled into the Intifada," or uprising in the Israeli-occupied territories.

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MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 25) - Brewing giant Elders IXL Ltd has written off 1.7 billion dollars (1.4 billion U.S.) in investments and losses as part

of a 1.3 billion (1.08 billion U.S.) annual loss reported Tuesday.

The loss after abnormal and extraordinary items was the biggest in Australian corporate history.

It compares to a bottom line profit of 668.6 million dollars (554 million U.S.) last year.

Directors said in a statement that net profit after abnormals but before extraordinaries in the latest year fell 80.3 per cent to 131.9 million (109.3 million U.S.).

The loss far exceeded analysts' worst estimates, and ended a horrific year for the brewing, finance and agribusiness group, which is currently in the throes of restructuring.

Elders directors again restated their intention to refocus the group's operations on its brewing activities, and said while this had led to adverse short-term effects it would eventually be in the best long-term interests of all shareholders.

But analysts said the board's decision not to declare a final dividend and to cancel a planned capital distribution to shareholders would cause headaches for 56 percent shareholder Harlin Holdings Pty Ltd.

Harlin, which recently proposed selling 19.9 percent of its Elders stake to Japanese-based Asahi Breweries Ltd, is solely dependent upon returns from Elders to cover its estimated 3.0 billion dollars (2.49 billion U.S.) of debt.

In the group's most comprehensive profitloss statement so far, Elders directors revealed extraordinary losses totalling 1.67 billion dollars, (1.38 billion U.S.).

This included 491 million dollars (406.9 million U.S.) lost on the sale of a 52.7 percent stake in Elders Resources NZFP Ltd and 206 million (170.7 million U.S.) lost on the sale of its Scottish and Newcastle Breweries PLC stake.

Directors said a planned 5.0 billion dollars (4.14 billion U.S.) global refinancing package being structured with various banks was not required as the company had "appropriate short and long term facilities in place".

But sources confirmed Elders IXL last week successfully negotiated a 1.0 billion (830 billion U.S.) facility with a syndicate of banks led by National Australia Bank Ltd.

While Elders IXL's worldwide brewing division lifted pre-tax profits 10 per cent to 582.9 million, (483 million U.S.) the U.K. operations were affected by high interest rates and "subsidies" paid to the Pubco beer retailing joint

venture.

Elders IXL's Molson Breweries joint venture in Canada lifted volume and retained market leadership, but analysts expected the group to incur further costs from rationalisation.

Problems in the agribusiness division were starkly revealed with a total of 245 million dollars (203 million U.S.) being written down, including 72.5 million dollars (60 million) in losses incurred since March.

But the strongly profitable brewing materials and meat operations helped agribusiness post pre-tax profits of 32.5 million (27 million U.S.) compared with 66.25 million (54.9 million U.S.) last year.

Directors were optimistic about the future profitability of the group, which is expected to be renamed Fosters Brewing Group Ltd in line with its refocussing on brewing operations.

"The strength and acknowledged expertise of the brewing group -- the fourth largest in the world -- will provide sustainable profits with opportunities for steady growth and is expected to yield attractive returns to shareholders over time," they said.

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KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 25) - The central banks of Malaysia and Mexico have signed an agreement for a bilateral payments arrangement to step up trade between the two countries, Bernama news agency said Tuesday.

Bank Negara governor Jaffar Hussein signed the agreement in Washington Monday with Banco de Mexico director-general Miguel Mancera Aguayo, Bernama quoted a central bank statement as saying.

The Group of 15 (G-15) developing countries approved the arrangement, which provides for central banks to guarantee payments if their exporters default, at its inaugural meeting here in June to promote South-South cooperation.

Bank Negara has signed similar agreements with Iran, Venezuela and Nigeria.

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HELSINKI (SEPT. 25) - Finland had a balance of trade deficit of 418 million markka (about 110 million dollars) in August, the government bureau of customs said here Tuesday.

August exports totalled 7.659 billion markka (2.01 billion dollars) and

imports 8.077 million markka (2.12 billion dollars).

During the first eight months of this year Finland had a balance of a trade deficit of 2.06 billion markka (544 million dollars) compared with a deficit of 2.47 billion markka (652 million dollars) during the corresponding period last year.

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WELLINGTON (SEPT. 25) - Air New Zealand said here Tuesday it would increase its domestic airfares by 10 percent as a result of rising fuel costs sparked by the Gulf crisis.

Airline spokesman Richard Gates said the increases would apply from October 8.

Competitor Ansett has warned it will also lift its fares.

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SYDNEY (SEPT. 25) - Australian Airlines chairman Ted Harris said Tuesday that two major foreign investors should each be allowed a 20 percent stake in his soon-to-be-privatised airline.

The buyers would ideally be international airlines, one serving the Pacific and Asia region, and the other the United States or Europe.

"I've had talks with a number of airlines and there has been strong interest," Mr. Harris told a news conference called to comment on the Labor Government's decision to sell the airline.

In a historic move Monday, the Australian Labor Party backed government plans to sell 100 percent of Australian Airlines, 49 percent of Qantas and to open the telecommunications network to private sector competition.

The decision was something of a personal triumph for Mr. Harris, who for almost two years has been urging the government to free the airlines from the restrictive financial rules of public ownership.

Mr. Harris said Australian companies would hold a large slice of the privatised company, employees would own nine percent and the rest would be floated publicly.

He estimated the airline's worth at one billion dollars (830 million U.S.), or 10 times its projected annual profit after tax.

"Whether somebody is prepared to pay one billion dollars I don't know. We have

to put it to the test," he said, adding that the sale was expected to be completed by the end of next year with a listing on the stock exchange.

Mr. Harris is believed to have approached British Airways, United Airlines,

Air New Zealand and Singapore Airlines to invite them to consider investing in his airline if it came on the market.

However, he declined Tuesday to name the airlines which had expressed interest because of concern that it would limit the federal goverment's flexibility in getting a high price.

Two major Australian transport companies, Brambles and Mayne Nickless, are believed to be interested in buying a stake.

Mr. Harris said Australian Airlines needed a cash injection of 300 million dollars (250 million U.S.) to lift its debt-to-equity ratio to 65:35, and those funds should be provided from the sale to foreign interests.

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#90268d8110 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (SEPT. 25) - Vietnamese authorities have called on the international community to help Vietnamese workers in Iraq who are facing acute food and medical shortages, a foreign ministry spokesman here said Monday.

Vietnam has appealed to "the United Nations, international organisations and capable countries" to supply food and help in repatriating some of the more than 16,000 Vietnamese workers currently in Iraq, the spokesman said.

Priority should be given to "the thousands of women, the sick and those who had completed their contracts," he said, adding the majority of Vietnamese were spread between the Iraqi provinces of Mosul and Basrah and the capital, Baghdad.

"There is a serious shortage of food and medicine and they are in urgent need of aid," the spokesman said, adding Hanoi was expecting an international response to its appeal.

Vietnam's ambassador to the United Nations, Trinh Xuan Lang, has written a letter to the president of the U.N. Security Council, asking that 500 tonnes of food be sent to Vietnamese nationals in Iraq, diplomatic sources here said.

Mr. Lang's appeal followed an Iraqi announcement that it would cease supplying food to the Vietnamese, effective October 1, the sources said.

In the same letter, the ambassador called on the international community to facilitate the initial repatriation of 5,000 Vietnamese workers from Iraq.

Minister of Employment and Social Affairs Tran Dinh Hoan visited Baghdad in mid-September to discuss the evacuation of Vietnamese from Iraq. But up until now, Vietnamese authorities have failed to announce any evacuation plan, apparently because of financial difficulties.

Hanoi has assumed a cautious position on the Gulf crisis, expressing its concern and its hope for a peaceful solution, without openly condemning Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90268d8140 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 25) - The Philippine stock market hit a four-year low Tuesday, in a downturn sparked by a series of largely domestic factors.

Dealers said the fall came on strike threats form leftwing labor and transport groups over an oil price hike imposed Friday, threats of new attacks by communist insurgents Monday and the bombing of two luxury hotels in the financial district Sunday.

At the Manila Stock Exchange, the composite index lost 38.6 points or 6.4 per cent from Monday's close to 567.11 points while at the smaller Makati Stock Exchange, the composite index fell 42.52 points or 6.9 percent to 570.71 points.

It was the lowest closing in four years, and marked the first time the indices of both exchanges had fallen below the 600-point level since 1987.

Virtually all traded issues either fell or were unchanged with all sectoral averages plunging on both bourses.

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#90268d8210 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (SEPT. 25) - Fresh calculations made by Dhaka show that the Gulf crisis will cost Bangladesh 1.8 billion dollars this fiscal year in lost revenues, worker remittances and cash holdings seized by Ira, Vice President Moudud Ahmed said Tuesday.

Ahmed, who heads an emergency management committee set up to deal with the economic impact of the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait, said Bangladesh's staggering economy faces additional burdens of 20 billion bangladeshi taka (500 million dollars) from the crisis.

He told a group of leading businessmen that Bangladeshi expatriates lost about 500 million dollars from deposits in Kuwaiti banks that were plundered by the Iraqi invaders.

The country will lose 600 million dollars in home remittances annually, Ahmed said, urging the businessmen to increase their exports to offset part of the losses.

Iraq has also reportedly stopped payments it owes to the Bangladesh national airlines Biman.

The estimates cited by Ahmed are the highest announced so far by Dhaka, which has asked for writing off of western loans and concessionary oil from Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. Ahmed said the actual loss figures may go higher.

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#90268d8240 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 25) - China's swimmer Yan Ming splashed to a new Asian record time of 4:13.55 minutes in the women's 400-metres freestyle here Tuesday night clipping 0.56 seconds off the previous record.

Another Chinese girl, Zhen Xiaoyu, clocked a time of 4:14.25 and Japan's Suzu Chiba timed in 4:20.93 for a bronze.

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#90268d8400 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 25) - The British Tarmac construction group on Tuesday reported interim profits of 97.8 million pounds (185 million dollars), down 36 per cent from 153.8 million pounds in the first half of 1989.

The result was in line with analysts' forecasts and was achieved on sales of 1.79 billion pounds against 1.51 billion pounds earlier.

Earnings per share fell by 8.4p from 13.2p. An unchanged interim dividend of three pence was announced.

Tarmac chairman Sir Eric Pountain said: "The uncertainties in the housing market and the reducing commercial and industrial building markets will inevitably affect much of the group's United Kingdom business in the short term."

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#90268d8450 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 25) - The Total oil group on Tuesday reported a fall of 33.35 percent in interim net book profits after minorities of 1.27 billion francs (244 million dollars) compared with 1.90 billion francs one year earlier.

Stock valuations represented a loss of 1.4 billion francs at a time when crude oil prices were falling compared with a positive contribution of 1.7 billion francs during the first half of 1989.

But excluding stock valuations, the profit on the basis of replacement costs was 2.57 billion francs (494 million dollars) compared with 437 million francs in the first half of 1989.

Consolidated sales were 53.12 billion francs against 51.13 billion francs.

Total managing director Serge Churuk said that in future he would favour accounts based on the cost of replacing stocks sold, excluding notional profits and losses on stocks depending on oil prices.

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#90268d8470 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 25) - The price of fuel oil rose another five U.S. dollars while the price of Dubai crude remained steady Tuesday, the Singapore International Monetary Exchange (SIMEX) said.

Fuel oil for October delivery closed at 167.50 U.S. dollars per ton, a gain of five U.S. dollars from Monday's closing figure of 162.50 dollars.

A rise of 5.20 U.S. dollars from Monday's closing level was noted for the price of fuel oil for November delivery, which closed at 159.70.

At one stage the price for October fuel oil rose as high as 176.00 U.S. dollars per ton before easing to 167.50 at the close.

Dealers attributed the rise to uncertainty in the Gulf, and analysts said it was difficult to predict how far the market would move over the next few days.

The Dubai crude oil market for November deliveries, however, remained steady, closing at the same level as Monday at 31.80 U.S. dollars per barrel, while December deliveries were quoted as 30.55 U.S. dollars a barrel.

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#90268d8570 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 25) - A total of 53 people had died Tuesday from burns sustained when a tanker truck (lorry) carrying liquified gas crashed in down-town Bangkok and exploded into a ball of fire.

About 100 other people were seriously injured in what was Thailand's worst traffic accident on record, officials said.

Officials at the Police Hospital's Institute of Forensic Medicine said they

had yet to identify some of those killed.

Police said they feared the death toll would go higher because many of the injured had third degree burns over their entire bodies.

Among those injured were a Canadian, two West Germans and a Burmese, police and hospital sources said.

The Canadian, 45-year-old dentist Peter Gillies, here on vacation with his Thai wife, was driving a Toyota sedan when the liquified petroleum gas (LPG) tanker exploded after late Monday night. Both were injured and taken to hospital.

The two West Germans were identified by nurses as Martin Guber, 42, and Klaus Stenson, 30. Doctors believe their cars were also stuck in the heavy traffic where the tragedy took place on New Petchaburi Road, in the heart of Bangkok.

A total of 42 cars, blocked at a traffic light or parked on the roadside, were set ablaze after the gas truck swerved, apparently to avoid a pedicab, crashed into buildings and exploded.

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#90268d8590 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 25) - China claimed two more gold medals in the women's weightlifting competitions at the 11th Asian Games here Tuesday.

Shi Wen of China snatched 100 kilograms and jerked 125 to win the women's 75-kg category with a total of 225 kilos.

The Chinese weightlifter set new Asian records for the snatch and total lifts. The previous records of 92.5 and 220.5 kilos had been set by Li Changping of China in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia, in June this year.

Chen Shu-Chih of Taiwan, who snatched 90 kilos and jerked 105, came second with 195 kilos.

Kim Gyong-Ae from North Korea finished third with 180 kilograms. She lifted 80 kilos in the snatch and 100 kilos in the jerk.

In the 82.5-kilogram category contest, China's Li Hongling, who holds all three world records in the class, captured the second lifting gold of the day.

The gold medalist snatched 95 kilos and jerked 130 for a total weight of 225.

India's Bharti Singh finished second with 185 kilograms in the four-lifter competition.

Sin Gum-Son of North Korea was third with 180 kilograms.

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#90268d8710 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HARARE (SEPT. 25) - The authorities at Harare's Chikurubi maximum security prison are redressing the grievances of three South African agents condemned to death in 1988 for a raid on an African National Congress ''safe house''.

Philip Conjwayo, Ken Woods and Michael Smith, all former members of the Rhodesian security forces, plan to withdraw their threatened high court action against President Robert Mugabe's government if recent pledges are met to improve death cell conditions, said a spokesman for their lawyers Tuesday.

They were now being allowed to keep their clothes, instead of being stripped naked between four p.m. and seven a.m., and would no longer be kept locked up for over 23 hours a day in windowless cells 4.5 metres (14 feet) by 1.5 metres (five feet), prison officers promised.

Their lawyer said the Zimbabwean attorney general's office had said stringent security had been necessary because of the abortive June 1988 commando raid, aimed at freeing alleged South African agents from Chikurubi prison.

But referring to recently reduced tension between Zimbabwe and South Africa, the authorities had written saying ''new circumstances'' enabled conditions to be relaxed.

The lawyer said he was awaiting a reply to a request to see President Mugabe personally to request an amnesty for Woods, Smith and Conjwayo, and three other convicted South African agents serving long prison sentences -- Odile Harington, 29, Barry Bawden, 32, and former British paratrooper Denis ''Sammy'' Beahan, 42, from Manchester.

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#90268d8740 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GENEVA (SEPT. 25) - The World Health Organization on Tuesday increased its estimate of the number of people who will be infected with the AIDS virus in this decade to 30 million or more.

Previous adults-only estimates predicted that 15 to 20 million people would have the virus by the year 2000.

But Michael Merson, head of WHO's program to fight the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, said at a press conference on Tuesday, "By the year 2000,

WHO estimates that ten million or more infants and children will have been infected with HIV," the virus that causes AIDS.

"Thus WHO projections of the number of men women and children expected to be infected with HIV by the year 2000 is now 25 to 30 million," he said.

The revised estimate came four days before the opening in New York of a United Nations conference on children.

By the end of this year, 700,000 babies will carry the HIV virus, he said.

"Among children born from infected mothers, 30 per cent will develop HIV infection and a majority will die by the age of five," Dr. Merson said. "Among the 70 per cent who are not infected, many will become orphans."

"WHO expects that paediatric AIDS will be a major global cause of death among infants and children during the 1990s," he said.

In the past decade, there have been 400,000 known cases of AIDS among children 90 per cent of them in subsharan African cities. In the next decade, he said, the mortality rate for children is likely to increase by half, to the point of reversing long trends in African population growth.

"Now, one among four adults in East Africa is infected by HIV virus," Dr. Merson said.

"There are some mothers who are HIV positive who probably develop some antibody, some kind of protein antibody that blocks the transmission of the HIV virus across the placenta," he said.

"If we have a very clear understanding of why the children of theses mothers don't develop HIV, we might have some insight on how to develop a vaccine," he said.

"WHO estimates that a worldwide cumulative total of over 3 million women of childbearing age have been infected with HIV," the American physician added.

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#90268d8760 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 25) - Market operators are beginning to look to the possibility of further equity sales by the Kuwait Investment Office (KIO), informed market sources said here Tuesday.

The exiled Kuwaiti government's investment arm sold its 10.1 percent stake in British hotel operator Mount Charlotte Investments on Monday, a move which came despite a recent assurance from a KIO official that its substantial worldwide equity investments would not be sold to raise liquidity.

The Mount Charlotte stake sale might not be linked to the Gulf crisis, as the

KIO has previously said it would continue to manage its investments as before.

Earlier this month it took up its entitlement of a 70 million rights issue from Great Western Resources, a London-listed U.S. oil and gas company in which it has a 29.8 percent stakeholding. This move suggests that the Office is not short of cash.

However the high degree of secrecy which has always surrounded the KIO's operations makes analysis of their tactics difficult even for Middle East experts, and the KIO's status as a major customer in the City of London makes people close to its operations unwilling to comment.

Kuwait is thought to control an estimated 70 to 100 billion dollars of assets around the world, including some significant stakes in major Western world companies. Equity investment is thought to cover between 40 and 70 per cent of the KIO's assets.

Earlier this month U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said that Kuwait had undertaken to fund the U.N. military operation in the Gulf and compensate countries hit by the trade embargo on Iraq to the tune of five billion dollars to be handed over before the end of 1990.

The Kuwaiti government in exile also says it needs some 50 to 100 million dollars per month to support exiled Kuwaiti citizens.

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#90268d8800 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (SEPT. 25) - Ivory Coast, the world's leading cocoa producer, saw production fall 15 percent in the 1989-90 season, the first drop in production since independence in 1960, according to figures released here Tuesday.

"The 1989-90 season ended with production totalling 701,000 tons, a clear 15 percent below the 1988-89 level of 823,000 tons," Rene Amani, who heads the Caisse de Stabilisation (CAISTAB) responsible for handling the country's cocoa export income, said in a statement.

The 122,000 ton drop was "essentially the result of a fall in producer prices " Mr. Amani said.

The price paid to cocoa producers was halved in the 1989-90 season, and buyers often did not meet their debts to farmers.

"Not only is the producer no longer motivated, but cannot even cover his overheads, particularly wage costs" for seasonal workers at harvest time, Mr. Amani said.

Ivory Coast was the world's fourth largest cocoa producer in 1960 with 80,000

tons, but by the 1977-78 season had reached 304,000 tons, making it the world leader, and in 1989 accounted for 35 percent of total world production.

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#90268d8820 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 25) - Standard and Poor's Corp., the U.S. financial rating service, has lowered its long-term outlook from stable to negative for Japan's four largest securities firms, the company's office here said Tuesday.

The company said the downward revision for Nomura Securities, Daiwa Securities Nikko Securities and Yamaichi Securities was based on "reduced domestic brokerage and underwriting volumes, a poor trading environment and uncertainty as to the extent and timing of any rebound."

The financial position of the four brokers, however, remained very strong and the lower rating had to be set against their record profits last year, it said.

The revision was also linked to changes in Japan's financial system such as current reforms which will increase competition among brokers, making a return to past profit levels more difficult, it added.

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HONG KONG (SEPT. 25) - Scores of Vietnamese boat people joined a hunger strike Tuesday over a new repatriation plan sponsored by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).

"Down With The UNHCR!" was one of the slogans shouted by hungerstrikers at Whitehead camp, the biggest in the British colony.

Gordon Tam, spokesman for the local prison authority, said: "They are carrying banners and refusing to take food provided by the camp staff," said. He put the number of hunger strikers at 61.

Nguyen Chi Dong, a Whitehead inmate contacted by telephone, said: "It is very tense here."

Mr. Dong put the number of hunger strikers at Whitehead at around 200. "There may be many more tomorrow," he said.

"Everybody is very, very worried about the future," he said.

Relief workers were warning that the repatriation plan in question would prompt more protests and riots in local camps, where there had also been a series of suicide attempts -- with a couple proving fatal -- against forced repatriation.

The UNHCR signed a tripartite repatriation pact in Hanoi Saturday with Vietnam and Britain for Vietnamese screened out as non-refugees in Hong Kong.

The new plan, aimed at sending back 1,000 Vietnamese a month from here to Hanoi, created a new category of boat people: those who have not volunteered to be repatriated but do not object to being flown back.

"This is not mandatory repatriation," the UNHCR's local delegate Robert Van Leeuwen said late Monday, acknowledging however that "tension may arise (among inmates) as a result of ... lack of clarity" over the plan.

"These people have the right not to enter the plane at the last moment," added UNHCR's Asian bureau chief Jamshid Anvar.

Mr. Anvar conceded that such returnees could prove "an imaginary category". But while detailed procedures were still being worked out, the UNHCR was hopeful of the new scheme becoming operational by the end of October.

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ROME (SEPT. 25) - Italian President Francesco Cossiga stepped into the fray against the mafia Tuesday calling for urgent action to halt mafia infiltration of the administration and the virtual takeover by organized crime of much of southern Italy.

The president's appeal to members of the Italian parliament followed strong calls for action against the mafia by the Vatican in the wake of the murder in Sicily on Friday of a young magistrate, Judge Rosario Livatino.

The killing near the town of Agrigente, sent shock waves through the Italian establishment reviving accusations of mafia involvement in high places.

Judge Livatino's death was the first murder of a magistrate investigating organised crime for two years. Two other people were murdered in Sicily over the past 24 hours, including one in the Agrigente region.

President Cossiga said the "unity of the nation" was being undermined with the institutions giving the impression of being "weakened and even compromised" in some areas.

On several occasions, magistrates and police have warned that whole regions were now virtually or totally out of government control.

Mr. Cossiga said "exceptional measures" were needed to strengthen and coordinate police and judicial action and to put a stop to "mafia infiltration of public services".

He called for "tougher rules" for elections to disqualify candidates suspected of having links to the mafia. In the past, political parties were supposed to weed out such candidates themselves although eight candidates were assassinated during municipal elections earlier this year.

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#90268d9100 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (SEPT. 25) - The West German government presented Tuesday a program to limit the flood of foreign refugees arriving in the country by offering incentives to those willing to return home.

Bonn proposes to extend direct assistance to their countries of origin and pay a reward to foreigners who go back.

West German Interior Minister Wolfgang Schaeuble told newsmen it was planned to put the programme into effect together with the other member countries of the European Community.

The conservative-liberal government is thus reacting to the record number of foreigners heading for West Germany.

According to official figures 120,000 foreigners sought asylum in the country between January and August. By the end of the year, the figure may reach 200,000.

Under the country's basic law, political refugees have a right to political asylum. Conservative Christian Democrats are therefore calling for a constitutional amendment.

Only 3.4 per cent of all applications filed for asylum are granted by the West German authorities.

Schaeuble noted that, apart from refugees from poor countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America, more and more people from the former communist countries in eastern Europe are attracted to West Germany with its high standard of living.

He said if this continued, Western Europe as a whole could expect as many as 400,000 asylum seekers this year. Their chief destinations, apart from West Germany, were Italy, Spain and France.

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#90268d9150 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (SEPT. 25) - A Saudi Arabian was killed and two injured in an accident between a U.S. Marine Corps vehicle and a taxi cab which also left four Marines slightly injured, the U.S. military here announced Tuesday.

One of the two Saudi Arabians injured in Monday's accident was in critical condition at a military hospital, the U.S. military authorities said in a statement.

One of the four injured Marines was treated and released while the other three were being kept in hospital for observation.

The U.S. military said that the cause of the accident, which occurred 18 miles (30 kilometers) north of the port of Jubail, was being investigated.

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LONDON (SEPT. 25) - British telecommunications concern STC said Tuesday it was acquiring the telephone-making subsidiary of British Telecommunications (BT), effective in late October.

STC recently ceded its 80-per-cent stake in computer subsidiary International Computers Ltd. to Fujitsu of Japan and the market had been waiting to see what it would do with the 700 million pounds (1.3 billion dollars) it received.

Analysts said however that the BT deal, whose value was not revealed by STC, was an acquisition of limited range and involved a relatively small amount.

BT's telephone-making subsidiary had sales totalling 35 million pounds (66 million dollars) last year, and BT said that this operation was "not an essential part" of its strategy.

STC said it will retain about 700 of the current 900-strong work force of the BT operation.

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#90268d9230 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 25) - European Economic Community veterinary experts are to hold an emergency meeting to prevent the spread of an epidemic which is ravaging East German herds of cattle, an informed Community source said here Tuesday.

East German cattle and beef, like all East German products, have been able to freely enter the EEC since August 1.

Some 35 percent of East German catttle, or a million animals, are affected by leucosis, a cancerous tumour which affects cattle but does not endanger human health, according to European experts.

France officially expressed concern over reports of this illness in East

German cattle during a meeting of EEC agriculture ministers on Tuesday.

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#90268d9280 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 25) - Exports from producer countries in the International Coffee Organisation (ICO) totalled 80.08 million 60-kilogram (132 pounds) bags in the year to August, an 18 percent rise over the previous year's level, the ICO said here Tuesday.

Brazil's exports were up 10 percent during the year at 18.13 million bags, and those of Colombia rose 48 percent to 14.13 million.

Ivory Coast exports were down 24 percent at 2.33 million bags.

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#90268d9830 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 25) - Cigarette smoking can cause impotence, a French doctor has warned here.

According to Dr. Alain Jardin, director of urology at the Kremlin-Bicetre hospital near Paris, "indisputable evidence puts the consumption of tobacco among the causes of impotence in men."

Dr. Jardin said the effects of tobacco on sexuality are most often hidden, chiefly by "dishonest advertising" associating cigarette-smoking with virility.

Results from tests on animals conducted by a San Francisco research team back up the claims of Dr. Jardin.

Other studies cited by Dr. Jardin showed that 81 percent of people who consulted doctors for impotence were smokers and 93 percent of those suffering from imotence over the age of 50 smoked.

Researchers said the libido of smokers between 24 and 40 years of age was lower than that of non-smokers.

According to Dr. Jardin, all treatment for impotence should start by having the patient stop smoking.

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#90268d9910 09/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KARACHI (SEPT. 25) - Ousted Pakistani premier Benazir Bhutto said here Tuesday she would challenge the jurisdiction of special courts ordering her to stand trial for alleged misuse of power.

Kicking off her party's election campaign, Ms. Bhutto told several mass rallies that the cases against her had been "concocted with malafide intentions to intimidate me and to keep me out of the contest."

Ms. Bhutto is running in elections President Ghulam Ishaq Khan scheduled for October 24 after dismissing her government on August 6 on charges of corruption and abuse of power.

"They want to disqualify me through these false cases because they cannot defeat me politically," Ms. Bhutto told the partisan crowds in her hometown of Karachi in Sindh province. They chanted "Long live Benazir."

A special court in Lahore had issued notices in two cases to Ms. Bhutto ordering her to appear in person on October 2 and 9.

She has been accused of exercising her influence in the allotment of land for a hotel to her first cousin and of favouritism in the awarding of liquifield petroleum distribution rights.

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#90268e0006 09/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

San Jose (SEPT. 25) EFE - Leftist Salvadoran guerrillas have called for a new constitution, a sweeping overhaul of the country's political and economic structures and the abolition of both the Army and rebel forces in a major new policy statement.

Tirso Canales, spokesman in Costa Rica for the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) guerrillas, presented the rebel blueprint listing +major changes+ they see as essential for putting an end to El Salvador's decade-old civil war.

"The democratization of El Salvador is the historic task which is absolutely essential for putting an end to the dictatorship of the military and the oligarchy," Canales said.

Released a week after the latest round of United Nations- sponsored peace talks between government and rebel negotiators ended in acrimonious deadlock, the FMLN statement struck a reconciliatory note on the subject of relations with the United States.

It said relations with Washington should be reconstructed on a basis of mutual respect but with El Salvador adopting a policy of strict neutrality, an independent foreign policy and remaining outside all military alliances.

The FMLN repeated the demand made during the peace talks for the Army to be abolished and replaced by a new policing body, and for those of its members accused of human rights crimes to be brought to trial.

The rebels also called for sweeping agricultural reforms, the nationalization of the banking system and foreign trade, along with structural changes aimed at strengthening the electoral process, the judiciary and respect for human rights.

The statement came as Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani was in washington attempting to convince the U.S. Congress not to carry out a threatened 50 percent reduction of military aid.

The cutback was ordered if Congress determines that the Salvadoran government has failed to improve its rights performance and did not negotiate with good faith in the peace talks.

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#90268e0007 09/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 25) EFE - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev put foward a proposal Tuesday to rename his country during a debate in the Supreme Soviet on a union treaty Moscow is hoping to sign with its 15 self-assertive republics.

According to Soviet of Nationalities Chairman Rafik Nishanov, Gorbachev suggested the country could be renamed the "Union of Sovereign Socialist States" once the treaty with the republics were signed.

Nishanov said two other names were also put foward during the opening of the debate in the Supreme Soviet, which is divided into the chambers of the Soviet of Nationalities and the Soviet of the Union.

The Interregional parliamentary group said the country could be renamed the "Union of EuroAsian republics+, while the republic of Kazakh suggested that it be called the +Union of Sovereign Soviet Republics".

Nishanov said the breakaway Baltic republics of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia had not been taking part in negotiations on the union accord.

The treaty Moscow is hoping to sign with the 15 republics that make up the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics would bind the country together as a loose confederation.

Under the 1977 constitution, the Soviet Union is a federal state comprising 15 constituent republics of equal status. The republics are linked voluntarily and have the right to secede.

Most of the republics have made varying moves towards independence so far this year and the union treaty is seen as an attempt by Gorbachev to prevent a complete disintegration of the Soviet Union.

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#90268e0010 09/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MADRID (SEPT. 25) EFE - Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki arrived in Spain Tuesday for a four-day visit during which he was expected to seek support for Poland's hopes to join West European institutions.

Poland has described relations between the two countries as excellent and this has been reflected by the number of high-level official visits between the two countries in the past year.

King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia went to Warsaw in October and President Wojciech Jaruzelski came to Spain in June.

The two nations exchange regular information on European issues, disarmament, questions related to developments in eastern Europe and the desire of Poland to join West European institutions, diplomatic sources said.

Poland embarked on a wide-reaching reform program on January 1 to transform the former centrally-planned economy into a free market system and regards Spain's transition to democracy as exemplary, the diplomats said.

Mazowiecki will hold talks with Spanish Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez and lunch with the king during the offici a private visit to Barcelona where he will meet Jordi Pujol, president of the Catalonian regional government and also tour the Olympic stadium.

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#90268e0017 09/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
RABAT (SEPT 25) EFE - Morocco's leading political party Tuesday claimed the Gulf crisis and compliance with United Nations sanctions against Iraq was severely damaging the national economy.

In its Rissalat al-Oumma daily newspaper, the Constitutional Union (UC) party said Morocco was one of the countries hardest hit by the crisis.

Rissalat al-Oumma said compliance with the U.N. sanctions had deprived the country of crucial oil supplies.

Before the crisis broke, Iraq supplied some 60 percent of Morocco's crude oil imports valued at dlrs 400 million.

Rissalat al-Oumma also said that goods destined for export to Iraq worth some dlrs 42 million were now stranded at ports or stockpiled in warehouses.

Iraq is Morocco's third-largest trading partner.

The U.N. embargo was imposed against Baghdad within days of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Countries hardest hit by compliance with the embargo, such as Turkey, Jordan and Egypt have been promised millions of dollars in compensation by European community nations, Japan and the rich Gulf states in a bid to prevent sanction-breaking.

The UC is the largest party in Morocco's Chamber of Representatives.

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#90268e0018 09/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (SEPT 25) EFE - In a fresh denial that it has been violating United Nations trade sanctions against Iraq, Iran insists it never allowed a shipment of Argentine beef to be sent overland to neighboring Iraq, Argentine officials said Tuesday.

The Argentine Foreign Ministry said it has been informed that Iranian authorities "are firmly resolved to comply with the economic embargo" imposed after Iraq invaded neighboring Kuwait last month.

The officials said Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velyati personally assured his Argentine counterpart, Domingo Cavallo, that Iran was respecting the sanctions when they met at the inaugural session of the U.N. General Assembly in New York Monday.

Velyati informed Cavallo that his government had arrested 29 Iranian traders accused of trying to smuggle food into Iraq across their common border.

The comment follows the sacking of Alberto Samid, an adviser to Argentine President Carlos Menem, who has admitted that he sent 140 tonnes of beef to Iraq for "humanitarian reasons," but refused to reveal how it reached the buyers.

The meat was reportedly sent by air to Iran earlier this month for transhipment to Iraq despite the government's decision to honor the embargo imposed last month by the United Nations. Menem has ordered Argentine troops and warships to the Gulf to help enforce the embargo.

The Foreign Ministry officials also denied recent press reports that Argentina has come under pressure by the United States to freeze pending grain shipments and the transfer of nuclear technology to Iran.

The reports alleged that Argentina was holding up the shipment of up to 700,000 tonnes of grain to Iran, which last year was the the second largest importer of Argentine grain.

Newspapers reproduced what they said was a memorandum from Argentine diplomats in Washington saying the Bush administration was concerned that Argentine nuclear technolgy exports might be contributing to the proliferation of nuclear arms.

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#90268e0022 09/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (SEPT 25) EFE - The number of foreign visitors to Spain will drop by four percent this year, while the country earns at least eight percent less than expected from its tourism sector, Tourism Minister Jose Barrionuevo predicted Tuesday.

Although in dollar terms tourism-derived earnings will show a one percent rise that works out to a drop of between eight and 10 percent in peseta terms because of the current strength of the Spanish currency, the minister said.

The end-of-year forecast follows a disapppointing summer where the number of foreigners fell 7.1 percent during the key month of August compared to the previous year, bringing to 3.8 percent the downturn over the first eight months of 1990.

Barrionuevo said that while the tendency of prices in Spain to approach levels current elsewhere in the European Community appears inevitable, much remained to be done by way of improving the product.

Tourists have complained that Spain is becoming noisier and dirtier while developers continue to show scant respect for the environment, the minister said.

Short-sighted policies by local and regional authorities were largely to blame for this, along with a failure to respond to the more demanding requirements of a changing market, he added.

Barrionuevo noted that along with boosting quality in the tourism sector, major improvements still have to be made in the country's motorway network, railroads, airports, sea transport and telecommunications systems to win back visitors.

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#90268e0025 09/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (SEPT. 25) EFE - Share prices fell on the Madrid stock exchange Tuesday, as the general index declined 5.90 points to close at 210.41.

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#90268e0032 09/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PUERTO BELGRANO, ARGENTINA (SEPT 25) EFE - Under orders from President Carlos Menem, two Argentine warships left Tuesday for the Gulf to join the U.S.-led blockade of Iraq.

The destroyer Almirante Brown and the corvette Spiro, carrying 300 Navy and Army troops, departed from Puerto Belgrano, 750 km south of Buenos Aires.

Defense Minister Humberto Romero said the government "has taken up its responsibilities in the international sphere" as he gave the order for the ships to set off.

He added that the Argentine forces will not participate in war actions without the consent of the parliament.

The main opposition Radical party, as well as many leaders of the ruling Peronist party, have criticized Menem for ordering military forces to the Gulf without prior congressional consent.

Menem replied that its vessels being sent to the Gulf were not an interventionary force, but rather had the mission of "helping guarantee world peace," and thus were not subject to parliamentary approval.

The government also justified the move as a response to the U.N. Security Council's resolutions imposing an embargo against Iraq and approving naval action to enforce it.

The warships, the first to be sent from a Latin American country, are expected to arrive in the Gulf area in 26 days and remain for five months, the government said.

They will join naval forces deployed by the United States, Britain, France and at least 10 other nations.

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#90268e0034 09/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SALVADOR, BRAZIL (SEPT 25) EFE - The leader of a religious sect faces charges of homicide after at least two people drowned and another 10 went missing during a mass baptism on a Brazilian beach, police reported Tuesday.

Military police recovered the bodies of two young men who drowned during the ceremony Saturday, which was attended by some 10,000 people, according to witnesses.

The 12 were swamped by a giant wave as they waded into the sea for the baptism on the coast near Salvador, 1,200 km northeast of Rio de Janeiro, according to a local politician.

The officiating pastor, Everaldo Amorin of the Universal Church of the Kingdom of God, has been ordered to appear in court Wednesday on homicide charges.

A police spokesman said another of the sect's pastors had been accused of raping a worker at a church in Sao Paulo.

Other members have been accused of attacking a nurse in the northwestern city of Fortaleza for reporting that a sect assistant had tried to rob her.

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#90268e0036 09/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LONDON (SEPT 25) EFE - The British Foreign Office Tuesday said it has ordered the departure of two of the four diplomats in its Kuwait embassy, which has been sealed off by Iraqi troops for a month.

The order is aimed at conserving food supplies to keep the embassy open as long as possible, a Foreign Office spokesman said.

The first secretary of the embassy's commercial section and its security chief will leave the mission and head for Baghdad in the next few hours, the spokesman added.

Ambassador Michael Weston and consul general Larry Banks will remain in the embassy to provide assistance to the estimated 1,000 Britons still in Kuwait.

For the past month, the embassy has been surrounded by Iraqi troops, who have cut off its electricity and water supplies.

Baghdad ordered all embassies in Kuwait to close by August 24, following its August 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of the emirate.

Several countries have refused to close their missions and some embassies have been surrounded by troops and subjected to cut-offs in utility services.

Troops have prevented the four British diplomats from leaving the building for several weeks, the Foreign Office spokesman said.

Iraqi authorities have detained an unknown number of men from Britain and other Western countries who were in Kuwait and Iraq at the time of the invasion, taking some of them to key military and civil installations in Iraq to prevent an attack by the multinational forces deployed in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf.

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#90268e0039 09/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

CALVIGNAC, FRANCE (SEPT 25) EFE - Six people were killed Tuesday when two light aircraft collided in mid-air over southern France, police said.

The accident occurred when the two aircraft, a Piper PA28 and Socata TB10, hit each other close to the town of Calvignac, some 480 km south of Paris.

All six bodies were recovered, but the nationality of the victims was not disclosed.

Police said the cause of the accident was unknown.

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#90268e0040 09/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 25) EFE - International Monetary Fund (IMF) Managing Director Michel Camdessus Tuesday called on the world's richest nations to ride out the economic effects of the Gulf crisis by keeping the lid on inflation, but he was guarded about financial assistance for developing nations unable to cope.

Speaking at the opening of the IMF and World Bank annual meeting, Camdessus emphasized the need to maintain tight monetary policies to +soothe the fears of the markets by giving credible signals of the determination to cut inflation+.

The IMF chief called for international solidarity to increase financial assistance to nations hardest hit by United Nations trade sanctions on Iraq and the doubling of oil prices that resulted from the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

However, Camdessus insisted that he was not proposing making available new funds to subsidize oil prices that hit dlrs 41 Tuesday, the highest figure in 10 years.

Camdessus urged "prudence" in planning any disbursments of IMF funds to nations affected by the Gulf crisis, and emphasized that developing nations could help themselves by expanding their private sectors and reducing the state's role in the economy.

He also said there was an urgent need for worldwide financial resources to fund the cost of German unification, economic reforms in Eastern Europe and the chronic underdevelopment of indebted Third World nations.

Such resources could only come from an increase in savings, which would help bring down world interest rates, stimulate private investment and contribute to the reduction in service charges on the debt of developing nations.

Camdessus said the IMF was "ready for the unexpected," and that if the Gulf

crisis did not deteriorate further the world's industrialized nations and the majority of developing countries could weather the economc storm.

But, at the same Washington meeting, World Bank President Barber Conable painted a more somber picture, warning that unless the crisis was soon resolved, developing nations "with the least ability to pay for imports would be hit especially hard."

Conable added that the World Bank was putting together an emergency support package for Jordan, Egypt and Turkey, states that have lost millions of dollars because of the cut-off in Iraqi oil exports and the U.N. blockade of Iraq.

The World Bank would also assist countries that were required to repatriate thousands of their citizens from Iraq and occupied Kuwait in the wake of the invasion, Conable said.

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#90268f2072 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Tuesday 361.42 up 6.21.

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#90268f2073 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 25) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.76	2.77 3/4	2.74 1/4	2.74 3/4	2.75 1/4
Mar	2.90	2.91 1/2	2.87 3/4	2.89 1/2	2.89 1/4
May	2.98 1/2	2.99 1/2	2.95 3/4	2.96	2.97 1/4
Jly	3.03	3.04	3.00 3/4	3.01 1/4	3.03
Sep	3.09	3.09	3.05 1/2	3.05 3/4	3.07
Dec	3.17	3.17	3.16	3.16	3.17
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.29	2.30	2.26 3/4	2.27 7/8	2.28 3/4
Mar	2.38	2.39 1/4	2.36 1/2	2.37 1/4	2.38
May	2.43 3/4	2.45 1/4	2.42 1/2	2.43 1/4	2.44 1/4
Jly	2.47 3/4	2.49	2.46 1/2	2.47	2.47 1/4
Sep	2.44 1/2	2.45 1/2	2.44	2.44 1/2	2.44 1/2
Dec	2.45 1/4	2.46 3/4	2.45 1/4	2.45 1/2	2.45 1/4

Mar 2.50 1/4 2.53 2.50 1/4 2.52 1/2 2.50

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.12 3/4	1.15	1.11 1/2	1.14 1/2	1.12 1/2
Mar	1.23 1/2	1.26 1/4	1.22 1/2	1.25	1.23
May	1.30 3/4	1.33 1/4	1.30 1/4	1.32 1/2	1.30 1/4
Jly	1.39	1.39 1/2	1.39	1.39 1/4	1.37 1/4

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	6.16	6.19 1/2	6.14 1/2	6.17 1/2	6.13 1/2
Jan	6.30	6.33 1/2	6.29	6.32	6.28
Mar	6.44 1/2	6.46 1/2	6.41 1/2	6.44 3/4	6.41
May	6.52 1/2	6.56	6.51	6.53 1/2	6.49 1/2
Jly	6.60 1/2	6.63 1/4	6.58 1/2	6.61	6.56
Aug	6.55	6.58	6.55	6.57	6.52
Sep	6.36	6.36	6.35	6.35	6.29
Nov	6.26	6.27	6.24 1/2	6.26 3/4	6.23 3/4

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Oct	23.50	23.75	23.45	23.59	23.42
Dec	23.70	23.93	23.64	23.78	23.63
Jan	23.95	24.16	23.89	24.00	23.89
Mar	24.22	24.40	24.18	24.28	24.15
May	24.40	24.52	24.40	24.45	24.40
Jly	24.45	24.58	24.45	24.50	24.45
Aug	24.40	24.45	24.30	24.35	24.25
Sep	24.20	24.20	24.20	24.20	24.12
Oct	23.76	23.98	23.76	23.90	23.95
Dec	23.30	23.75	23.45	23.70	23.75

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	176.20	178.00	176.20	176.50	175.80
Dec	181.30	182.90	181.00	181.50	180.60
Jan	183.30	184.80	183.00	183.50	182.80
Mar	186.20	187.70	185.90	186.70	185.70
May	187.80	188.80	187.50	188.00	187.10
Jly	189.20	190.00	189.00	189.50	188.70
Aug	188.50	190.00	188.50	188.50	187.50
Sep	188.00	189.00	188.00	189.00	187.10
Oct	186.00	187.00	186.00	186.50	186.00
Dec	186.00	187.50	186.00	186.50	186.00

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#90268h0227 09/25/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

COLOMBO (SEPT. 25) XINHUA - THE EMBASSY OF THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (EAST GERMANY) IN COLOMBO WAS CLOSED LAST WEEK WITH THDEPARTURE OF AMBASSADOR HELMUT HOHLIG, A PRESS RELEASE OF THE EMBASSY SAID TODAY.

THE RELEASE SAID THA THIS WAS "IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FORTHCOMING UNIFICATION OF THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPBLIC AND THE FEDERAL REPULIC OF GERMANY."

AMBASADOR HOHLIG LEFT SRI LANKA FOR HOME ON SEPTEMBER 21. EAST GERMANY HAS MAINTAINED AN EMBASSY IN COLOMBO FOR THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS.

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#90268h0242 09/25/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NANJING (SEPT. 25) XINHUA - THE MAIN BODY OF A MULTI-CHANNEL SOLAR TELESCOPE -- BELIEVED TO BE THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN THE WORLD -- HAS BEEN COMPLETED IN NANJING, AND WILL SOON BE INSTALLED IN AN OBSERVATORY IN HUAIROU COUNTY NEAR BEIJING.

TRIAL OBSERVATIONS SHOW THAT IT PRODUCES FINE IMAGES AND OPERATES WELL. IT WAS MANUFACTURED BY THE NANJING ASTRONOMICAL INSTRUMENT FACTORY UNDER THE CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, AND HAS SIX LENSES AND 14 CHANNELS.

LEADING ASTRONOMERS SAY THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TELESCOPE IS A BIG BREAKTHROUGH FOR MODERN SOLAR PHYSICS.

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#90268h0283 09/25/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

OTTAWA (SEPT. 25) XINHUA - AS A RESULT OF A PERSISTENT HIGH INTEREST RATE POLICY PURSUED BY THE GOVERNMENT, THE NUMBER OF PERSONAL AND BUSINESS BANKRUPTCIES ACROSS CANADA SOARED 52 PERCENT IN AUGUST COMPARED WITH THE SAME PEIOD LAST YEAR.

ACCORDING TO THE LATEST STATISTICS FRM THE CANADIAN FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND CORPORATE AFFAIRS, 3,943 INDIVIDUALS AND 992 BUSINESSES DECLARED BANKRUPTCY IN AUGUST.

IN THE FIRST EIGHT MONTHS OF 1990, 25,626 INDIVIDUALS AND 7,186 BUSINESSES HAD GONE BANKRUPT, AN INCREASE OF 36.6 PERCENT FROM THE SAME PIOD OF 1989.

CANADIAN ECONOMISTS BLAMED THE COUNTRY INTEREST RATES FOR THE BUSINESS FAILURES.

IN ITS EFFORT TO FIGHT INFLATION, THE BANK OF CANADA HAS BEEN PURSUING A HIGH INTEREST RATE POLICY. AS A RESULT THE CENTRAL BANK'S -SETTING INTEREST RATES HAVE BEEN HOVERING AROUND 13 RCENT OVER PAST MONTHS.

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#90268j0001 09/25/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

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Crossfire (CNN) September 24, 1990 (Transcript #146)

Saddam Feels the Heat: Sheik Saud Nasir al-Sabah, the Kuwaiti Ambassador to the U.S., former U.S. diplomat to Iraq Marshall Wiley and Geoffrey Kemp of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace discuss how the U.S. should respond to the apparent desperation on the part of Saddam Hussein toward the embargo against Iraq.

Nightline (ABC) September 24, 1990 (Transcript #2436)

Violence in South Africa/F.W. de Klerk: South African President F.W. de Klerk discusses the increasingly brutal black-on-black violence in South Africa. Is some of it spurred on by pro- Apartheid provocateurs within the nation's security forces and does this pose a threat to de Klerk's political life?

Larry King Live (CNN) September 24, 1990 (Transcript #135)

''Are We Closer to War With Iraq?'' (military analyst James Blackwell, reporter John Morrocco and military ethicist George Weigel debate the possibility of war with Iraq); ''Sharon Gless'' (discusses her new TV show, The Trials of Rosie O'Neill).

Moneyline (CNN) September 24, 1990 (Transcript #190)

Fear grips the financial markets -- fear of war in the Persian Gulf and fear for the state of the U.S. economy. Oil prices surge while stock prices plunge.

Donahue September 24, 1990 (Transcript #3040)

Six Women Hate the One Man They All Loved: Six women who married or nearly married one accomplished con artist share their experiences. They describe how the man successfully courted them, deceived them and robbed them, and how they came to find him out.

Geraldo September 24, 1990 (Transcript #788)

America's Home Video Revolution: A look at the new age of videos and the camcorder is narrated by Hugh Downs. Guests tell how videotape has helped their lives and discuss where the new age of video may take us.

Oprah Winfrey Show September 24, 1990 (Transcript #1051)

Stand-Up Comics on TV: Comedians Lenny Clarke (Lenny), David Coulier (Full House and America's Funniest People), Kevin Meaney (Uncle Buck) and Jerry Seinfeld (Seinfeld) discuss their climb from the comedy-club circuit to primetime television.

Good Morning America (ABC) September 24, 1990 (Transcript #1116)

Pentagon's ''black budget''; rescuing Walden Pond; physician to the homeless; handling IRS notices; Ray Charles; commuting by bicycle; the new Old Farmer's Almanac; Melanie Griffith; preparing houseplants for winter; fast-food breakfasts.

Sally Jessy Raphael September 24, 1990 (Transcript #536)

Celebrity Infertility: Casey and Jean Kasem join couples who have suffered infertility problems to share their stories. Infertility expert Dr. O'Dell Owens offers advice to couples having difficulty conceiving.

Tuesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Husband Charged With Murder for Helping His Wife Commit Suicide Sally Jessy Raphael: The Sally Girls Become New Women Geraldo: Juvenile Jocks: Childhood Lost, Victory Won Oprah Winfrey: Multiple Personality Crimes

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#90268k0013 09/25/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 25) KYODO - JAPAN'S LEADING BUSINESS INDICATOR FOR JULY SHOWS THAT THE ECONOMY WILL CONTINUE TO EXPAND IN THE COMING MONTHS LED BY BRISK DOMESTIC DEMAND, DESPITE THE GULF CRISIS, THE ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY SAID TUESDAY.

THE LEADING INDICATOR FOR THE LATEST MONTH AVAILABLE, MADE UP OF 13 COMPONENTS INCLUDING THE MONEY SUPPLY, NEW JOB OFFERS, AND HOUSING STARTS, STOOD AT 80.0 PERCENT FLAT, FAR ABOVE THE SO-CALLED ''BOOM OR BUST'' LINE OF 50.0 PERCENT FOR THE FIFTH STRAIGHT MONTH, THE AGENCY SAID.

THE COINCIDENT INDICATOR, WHICH CONSISTS OF 11 ITEMS SUCH AS SALES AT DEPARTMENT STORES AND SHOWS PRESENT ECONOMIC CONDITIONS, WAS 90.0 PERCENT, TOPPING THE 50.0 PERCENT LINE FOR THE SIXTH MONTH IN A ROW.

THE EIGHT-COMPONENT LAGGING INDICATOR, HOWEVER, FELL BELOW THE 50 PERCENT LINE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 35 MONTHS, STANDING AT 28.6 PERCENT.

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#90268k0031 09/25/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 25) KYODO - OKI ELECTRIC INDUSTRY CO. SAID TUESDAY IT HAS ALIGNED ITSELF WITH FIVE LARGE COMPUTER WORKSTATION MAKERS IN A MOVE TO STANDARDIZE THE 64-BIT I860 MICROPROCESSOR DEVELOPED BY INTEL CORP OF THE UNITED STATES.

THE JAPANESE ELECTRONICS MAKER SAID THE MASS 860 GROUP INCLUDES INTEL CORP., INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP., AND ALLIANT COMPUTER SYSTEMS, ALL OF THE U.S., ITALY'S ING. C. OLIVETTI AND C., S.P.A., AND SOUTH KOREA'S SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO.

THE SIX COMPANIES WILL ADOPT THE REDUCED INSTRUCTION SET COMPUTING, OR RISC-BASED I860 CHIP AND JOINTLY DEVELOP COMPATIBLE SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS FOR THEIR WORKSTATION PRODUCT LINES TO COMPETE AGAINST SUN MICROSYSTEM CORP.'S WORKSTATIONS, OKI OFFICIALS SAID.

THE I860 MICROPROCESSOR CAN EXECUTE ABOUT 20-28 MILLION INSTRUCTIONS PER SECOND, TWICE THE PERFORMANCE OF 32-BIT DESKTOP WORKSTATIONS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

SUN MICROSYSTEMS, THE CURRENT LEADER IN THE 32-BIT WORLD WORKSTATION MARKET, HAS BEEN LICENSING IT RISC-BASED CHIP ARCHITECTURE TO COMPANIES WORLDWIDE AND ENCOURAGING SOFTWARE MAKERS TO DEVELOP UNIX-BASED APPLICATIONS FOR ITS PRODUCT LINE.

WORKSTATIONS HAVE ADOPTED THE UNIX OPERATING SYSTEM, DEVELOPED BY AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CO., THAT ALLOWS USERS TO PERFORM MULTITASKING AND MULTINETWORKING OPERATIONS, AND ENABLE POWERFUL GRAPHICS APPLICATIONS.

OKI ELECTRIC WILL BEGIN SHIPMENTS OF ITS I860-BASED OKI WORKSTATION 7300 IN NOVEMBER, THEY SAID.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 25) KYODO - THE GULF CRISIS AND THE RESULTING SLUMP IN EQUITY PRICES PUSHED DOWN THE OFF-THE-BOOK VALUE OF ASSETS HELD BY JAPAN'S 154 BANKS DRAMATICALLY BETWEEN MARCH AND AUGUST, BANKING SOURCES SAID TUESDAY.

THE SOURCES SAID FIGURES TALLIED ON A BANK-BY-BANK BASIS SHOW THAT THE OFF-THE-BOOK VALUE OF SUCH ASSETS PLUNGED BY NEARLY 16 TRILLION YEN IN AUGUST FROM MARCH, A DROP EQUAL TO FOUR YEARS WORTH OF THE BANKS' PRETAX PROFITS.

THE SOURCES BLAMED THE CONTRACTION ON THE SAGGING STOCK MARKET, WHICH WAS HIT HARD BY IRAQ'S AUGUST 2 INVASION OF KUWAIT.

PRICES ON THE TOKYO STOCK EXCHANGE HAVE FALLEN SHARPLY SINCE THE END OF MARCH, WITH THE 225-ISSUE NIKKEI STOCK AVERAGE LOSING 13.3 PERCENT OF ITS VALUE AS OF THE END OF AUGUST.

THE SOURCES SAID THE HEAVY LOSSES IN BANK ASSETS WOULD MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR MANY BANKS TO MEET CAPITAL ADEQUACY STANDARDS SET BY THE BANK FOR INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENTS (BIS).

THE BIS RULES REQUIRE INTERNATIONALLY OPERATED BANKS TO HAVE CAPITAL EQUIVALENT TO 8 PERCENT OF RISK-WEIGHTED ASSETS BY MARCH 1993. MANY JAPANESE BANKS HAVE FALLEN BELOW THAT LEVEL DUE TO THE NOSEDIVE IN THE TOKYO STOCK MARKET.

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OSAKA (SEPT. 25) KYODO - TSUJI KOSAN CORP., KNOWN FOR ITS COOKING SCHOOLS, SAID TUESDAY IT IS PLANNING TO OPEN A JAPANESE RESTAURANT IN MOSCOW IN A JOINT VENTURE WITH A SOVIET COMPANY.

IT IS THE FIRST CASE FOR A JAPANESE FIRM TO SET UP A RESTAURANT JOINTLY WITH A SOVIET FIRM.

ANXISTING RESTAURANT IN MOSCOW WITH AN AREA OF 660 SQ METERS, IS TO BE REDECORATED FOR THE PURPOSE, THE COMPANY SAID.

THE NEW RETAURANT, TO OPEN AS EARLY NEXT FALL, IS A RESPONSE TO A REQUEST MADE BY THE SOVIET SPORTS MINISTRY.

THE TWO SIDES WILL SHARE THE 200 MILION YEN INVESTMENT, THE COMPANY SAID. THERE ARE ALSO LOANS FOR BUILDING A COOKING SCOOL IN THE FUTURE.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 25) KYODO - THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) TUESDAY ASKED WHOLESALERS OF LIQUIFIED PETROLEUM GAS TO REPORT COST FLUCTUATIONS TO THE MINISTRY SO THAT IT CAN MONITOR EXPECTED INCREASES IN LPG PRICES, MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

MITI 17 LPG WHOLESALERS AND FOUR INDUSTRY ORGANIZATIONS TO ABSORB THE COST INCREASES BY STREAMLINING THEIR OPERATIONS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE, AND TO LIMIT PRICE HIKES TO THE MINIMUM NECESSARY.

MITI HAS ALREADY LAUNCHED SIMILAR ''ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDANCE'' TO EP AN EYE ON OIL PRODUCT PRICE RISES STEMMING FROM THE PERSISIS.

THE COST OF IMPORTING LPG IS DETERMINED BASED ON THE EXPORT PRICE SET MONTHLY

BY SAUDI ARABIA, WHICH ALL THE OTHER EXPORTERS FOLLOW, PLUS FREIGHT COSTS.

SAUDI ARABIA'SLPG EXPORT PRICE FOR SEPTEMB SHIPMENT ROSE TO 165 DORS PER TON FROM 100 DOLLAIN AUGUST.

THE SAUDIASET PRICE IS LINKED TO THRICE OF ARABIAN LIGHT CRUDEIL. JAPANESE LPG WHSALERS ARE EXPECTED TO INFORTHEIR CUSTOMERS OF PRICE INEASES FOR OCTOBER SALES, RLECTING THEIR INCREASED COS.

THE WHOLESALERS CNGE THE PRICES OF THEIR PRODUCTS EVERY MONTH, REFLECTINGFLUCTUATIONS IN COSTS.

MITI HAS TOLD THE 17 MAESALERS TO REPORT THE FLUCTUNS IN THEIR COSTS EVERY MONTH TO HELP THE GOVERNMENT MONITOR LPG PRICES, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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OSAKA (SEPT. 25) KYODO - KYOCERA CORP., THE WORLD'S LARGEST MAKER OF IC CERAMIC PACKAGES, SAID TUESDAY IT HAS TEAMED UP WITH THE KITAMI INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY TO BUILD A SOLAR-POWERED RACING CAR.

THE BLUE EAGLE WILL MAKE TS DEBUT AT AUSTRALIA'S WORLD SOLAR CHALLENGE 1990 IN NOVEMBER, KYOCERA OFICIALS SAID.

KITAMI WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE THEORETICAL ANALYSIS NEEDED FOR THE VEHICLE'S CREATION, WHILE KYOCERA TOOK CHARGE OF ITS DESIGN AND PRODUCTION AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SOLAR BATTERY ON WHICH IT WILL RUN.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 25) KYODO - JAPAN'S THREE LONG-TERM CREDIT BANKS DECIDED TUESDAY TO RAISE THEIR LONG-TERM PRIME RATE BY 0.4 PERCENTAGE POINT TO 8.9 PERCENT A YEAR NEXT MONTH FROM THE CURRENT 8.5 PERCENT, BANK OFFICIALS SAID.

THE INCREASE WILL BE THIRD IN AS MANY MONTHS, BRINGING THE PRIME RATE TO ITS HIGHEST POINT SINCE DECEMBER 1982.

THE LONG-TERM PRIME RATE IS A FEE CHARGED ON LOANS OF MORE THAN ONE YEAR TO THE MOST CREDITWORTHY CUSTOMERS.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE DECISION IS IN RESPONSE TO INCREASING FUND-RAISING COSTS FOR THE INDUSTRIAL BANK OF JAPAN, THE LONG-TERM CREDIT BANK OF JAPAN, AND NIPPON CREDIT BANK.

THESE BANKS CHIEFLY RAISE FUNDS THROUGH FIVE-YEAR DEBENTURES ISSUED MONTHLY. THE PRIME RATE IS SET 0.9 PERCENTAGE POINT ABOVE THE COUPON ON SUCH DEBT,

WHICH IS DETERMINED BY SECONDARY-MARKET YIELDS.

SECONDARY-MARKET YIELDS ON SUCH BANK DEBENTURES HAVE JUMPED RECENTLY IN RESPONSE TO BOND PRICES WHICH HAVE SAGGED SINCE THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS. BOND YIELDS MOVE IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION OF PRICES.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 25) KYODO - KOBE STEEL LTD. SAID TUESDAY IT HAS AGREED WITH ALUMINUM CO. OF AMERICA (ALCOA) TO FORM A JOINT VENTURE IN TOKYO TO PRODUCE ALUMINUM SHEET FOR BEVERAGE CANS.

THE TWO COMPANIES ALSO PLAN TO COOPERATE IN PROMOTING THE USE OF ALUMINUM FOR MOTOR VEHICLES TO REDUCE THEIR WEIGHT AND IMPROVE FUEL EFFICIENCY, THE MAJOR JAPANESE STEELMAKER SAID.

THE DEAL WILL GIVE THE PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA-BASED ALCOA, THE WORLD'S LARGEST ALUMINUM PRODUCER, GREATER ACCESS TO THE FAST GROWING JAPANESE MARKET AND PROVIDE KOBE STEEL WITH STABLE SUPPLY OF ALUMINUM INGOT, KOBE STEEL OFFICIALS SAID.

THE EQUALLY OWNED JOINT VENTURE, KSL ALCOA ALUMINUM CO., IS TO BE ESTABLISHED LATER THIS YEAR. IT WILL BUILD A PLANT CAPABLE OF PRODUCING 180,000 TONS OF ALUMINUM SHEET A YEAR, WITH OPERATION TARGETED TO START IN THE FIRST HALF OF 1993.

THE JOINT VENTURE WILL CONSIDER PRODUCING ALUMINUM SHEET FOR AUTO PARTS IN THE FUTURE, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 25) KYODO - BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB CO. SAID TUESDAY IT WILL MERGE ITS FOUR JAPANESE SUBSIDIARIES ON WEDNESDAY.

THE FOUR COMPANIES -- BRISTOL-MYERS K.K., SQUIBB JAPAN INC., BRISTOL-MYERS RESEARCH INSTITUTE K.K., AND ZIMMER JAPAN K.K. -- WILL BE MERGED TO CREATE A NEW COMPANY, BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB K.K., IT SAID.

THE NEW COMPANY WILL HAVE ANNUAL SALES OF SOME 55 BILLION YEN. BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB, THE WORLD'S SECOND LARGEST PHARMACEUTICAL CONCERN, WAS FORMED LAST OCTOBER AS A RESULT OF A MERGER BETWEEN BRISTOL-MYERS CO. AND SQUIBB CORP.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 25) KYODO - JAPAN'S CRUDE STEEL PRODUCTION IN THE

OCTOBER-DECEMBER QUARTER OF THIS YEAR WILL RISE 2.7 PERCENT FROM THE SAME PERIOD A YEAR AGO TO 28.35 MILLION TONS, REFLECTING THE STRONG DOMESTIC ECONOMY, THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) PREDICTED TUESDAY.

THE FIGURE MARKS THE FIFTH LARGEST PRODUCTION EVER IN A THIRD QUARTER, AND THE HIGHEST SINCE 1980, MITI OFFICIALS SAID.

THE PROJECTED BRISK PRODUCTION DURING THE COMING THREE MONTHS WAS ATTRIBUTED TO ROBUST DOMESTIC DEMAND FOR STEEL PRODUCTS, SUPPORTED BY A BOOMING CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY.

THE DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION OF CRUDE STEEL WILL SURGE 3.9 PERCENT TO A RECORD 20.35 MILLION TONS, MITI SAID.

EXPORTS, HOWEVER, WILL DECLINE 10.0 PERCENT BECAUSE OF CONTINUED SLUGGISH SALES TO THE SOVIET UNION.

CRUDE STEEL PRODUCTION FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR WILL RISE 1.7 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR TO 109.79 MILLION TONS, ALSO THE FIFTH HIGHEST LEVEL IN HISTORY.

THE CONSUMPTION OF CRUDE STEEL IN THE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR WILL PICK UP 5.5 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER, WHILE THAT IN THE CIVIL ENGINEERING FIELD WILL RISE 3.0 PERCENT.

CONSUMPTION IN THE SHIPBUILDING SECTOR WILL CLIMB 5.2 PERCENT, AND THAT IN THE INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY MANUFACTURING SECTOR WILL BE UP 5.1 PERCENT.

THE AUTO INDUSTRY AND THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY WILL POST INCREASES IN CRUDE STEEL CONSUMPTION OF 2.5 PERCENT AND 2.1 PERCENT, RESPECTIVELY, MITI SAID.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 25) KYODO - THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT, DETERMINED TO MAINTAIN ITS BAN ON RICE IMPORTS, WILL NOT PRESENT ANY DATA ON HOW THE BAN COULD BE CONVERTED INTO TARIFF-BASED RESTRICTIONS AS REQUIRED IN A REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED TO WORLD FARM TRADE TALKS, GOVERNMENT SOURCES SAID TUESDAY.

SUCH A REPORT IS REQUIRED FOR FARM TRADE NEGOTIATIONS SLATED FOR EARLY OCTOBER IN GENEVA UNDER THE URUGUAY ROUND OF MULTILATERAL TRADE TALKS, AIMED AT DRAFTING NEW RULES ON TRADE IN AGRICULTURE AND 14 OTHER SECTORS OF WORLD COMMERCE. THE TALKS ARE SPONSORED BY THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT).

THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN PRESSING FOR CONVERSION OF NONTARIFF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS INTO TARIFFS IN A STEP TOWARD REDUCING DOMESTIC FARM SUPPORT.

THE SOURCES SAID JAPAN'S REPORT WILL INSTEAD CONTAIN DATA ON HOW MUCH THE GOVERNMENT SPENDS PROTECTING ITS RICE MARKET UNDER A FORMULA DEVISED BY GATT, THE SOURCES SAID.

THEY DECLINED TO DISCLOSE SPECIFIC FIGURES, BUT THE GATT SECRETARIAT HAS ESTIMATED JAPANESE SPENDING AT 5 TRILLION YEN IN 1986 AND 4 TRILLION YEN IN 1989 WHEN TALLIED UNDER THE MEASURE OF SUPPORT (AMS).

THE AMS USES PRICE SUPPORT MEASURES AND ALL TYPES OF FARM SUBSIDIES IN CALCULATING THE DEGREE OF DOMESTIC PROTECTION OF AGRICULTURE.

OTHER NATIONS INVOLVED IN THE FOUR-YEAR TRADE TALKS WILL ALSO SUBMIT REPORTS ON DOMESTIC PROTECTION OF THEIR AGRICULTURE MARKETS, FOLLOWING AN AGREEMENT REACHED LAST JULY BY THE POLICY-SETTING TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE.

AGRICULTURE HAS PROVED THE THORNIEST ISSUE IN THE URUGUAY ROUND AS THE U.S. AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC) REMAIN WIDELY DIVIDED OVER WAYS TO SLASH EXPORT SUBSIDIES.

JAPAN HAS STRONGLY OPPOSED THE U.S. PROPOSAL FOR CONVERSION OF NONTARIFF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS INTO TARIFFS.

THE GOVERNMENT HAS INSISTED ON MAINTAINING ITS BAN ON RICE IMPORTS TO SECURE SELF-SUFFICIENCY IN THE STAPLE FOOD. RICE IMPORTS ARE VIRTUALLY BANNED AT PRESENT, EXCEPT FOR LIMITED QUANTITIES FOR USE IN PROCESSED FOODS.

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MANILA (SEPT. 25) KYODO - THE TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS ON U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL AT TWO U.S. BASES AND FOUR AUXILIARY FACILITIES IN THE PHILIPPINES HAVE BEEN PARTIALLY LIFTED BECAUSE OF A REDUCED THREAT FROM COMMUNIST REBELS, U.S. MILITARY AUTHORITIES ANNOUNCED TUESDAY.

LT. COL RONALD RAND, SPOKESMAN OF THE U.S. AIR FORCE, SAID THE REDUCTION OF RESTRICTIONS WOULD TAKE EFFECT AT 9 A.M. WEDNESDAY, WHILE THE U.S. MILITARY-RUN FAR EAST NETWORK SAID THE EASING OF TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS AT THE SUBIC NAVAL BASE TOOK EFFECT AT 4 P.M. TUESDAY.

A FULL TRAVEL BAN WAS IMPOSED ON ALL MILITARY PERSONNEL SHORTLY BEFORE LAST WEEK'S FIRST ROUND OF TALKS ON THE FUTURE OF U.S. BASES IN THE PHILIPPINES BECAUSE OF THE INCREASED DANGER OF ATTACKS BY COMMUNIST REBELS.

RAND SAID SUCH RISKS HAVE ALREADY DECREASED FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE TALKS LAST FRIDAY.

UNDER THE PARTIALLY LIFTED BAN, U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL ARE ALLOWED TO VENTURE TO THE CITY CENTER, ABOUT ONE KILOMETER AWAY FROM THE BASE. THEY HAVE BEEN

ADVISED, HOWEVER, TO AVOID SIDE STREETS AND DARK ALLEYS.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 25) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT's final revision of the 2nd quarter real U.S. GNP show growth at an anemic 0.4%, revised down from 1.2%. Experts had expected a revision to 1.1%.

Losses in the failing S&L industry were only $196 million in the second quarter, compared to $374 million and $3.41 billion for the two previous quarters. ... LOCKHEED has rejected HAROLD SIMMONS' latest advances to take control of the company.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BUSINESS ECONOMISTS will release its economic outlook report at 9 a.m. EDT. ... COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS CHAIRMAN MICHAEL BOSKIN will speak at 12:30 p.m. EDT. ... FDIC CHAIRMAN WILLIAM SEIDMAN will testify on deposit insurance before the HOUSE BANKING COMMITTEE at 10 a.m. EDT.

FROM THE BULLS:

"Currently the market is retesting its closing low at 2483 for the second time " says ROBERT WALSH of JENSWOLD KING & ASSOCIATES. "I expect the test to be successful, and from there I'd look for a rally in the Dow to the 2800 to 2900 area." He says if the market tests the lows again, forming a "triple-bottom," then the market could rally to "just over the 3000 area." Walsh says mutual fund cash is high and insiders are buying more than selling. ("Investor's Daily", 9/25)

"I think we're going to have quite a nice fourth-quarter," says JOHN McGINLEY, editor of "Technical Trends." "I've been saying for some time if you can buy the September lows ... you'll pay your Christmas bills." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/24)

DENNIS JARRETT of KIDDER, PEABODY points out that 95% of S&P 500 stocks were down in the last month. "Those that hold up better than what's happening in the marketplace, by going down less ... begin to outperform. That's usually the first sign that you might see some favorable activity on the upside." ("Nightly Business Report", 9/24)

FROM THE BEARS:

"You have no earnings, no bond market, no valuation underpinning this market," laments STEVEN EINHORN of GOLDMAN SACHS. He predicts the market will "continue to move lower." DICK EVANS of DOW THEORY FORECASTS agrees, explaining that yesterday the market "sliced through" what he thought were support levels. "The next leg down will be 12% to 15% off its mid-August highs of 2630," says Evans. ("Investor's Daily", 9/25)

"If ... we don't drop another 50 dollars [50 points on the Dow Tuesday], I'd be willing to say we have a very good chance of seeing a six-week rally all the way up into November before they break again," says MICHAEL JENKINS, editor of "Stock Cycles Forecast." "I think the rallies that we're going to see in this bear market phase, if we get rallies, are going to be limited to 200 or 250 points. ... Although I am optimistic that there is a law in here, the alternative is much, much more bearish. If we should break 2400, we could go as low as 2310 before we get a minor bounce, and when we break that we could go right to 1850, which is my primary target. The only question remains: Are we going to get to 1850 next February or March, or are we going to break right through here and keep on going and hit it at the end of October." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/24)

"There are no places to hide in a bear market," says RONALD SLOAN, executive vice president at SIEBEL CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC. "The only way to preserve capital is not to own stocks." (WSJ, 9/25)

"We see the Dow between 2200 and 2300 by the end of the year," says RICKY HARRINGTON, strategist at MARION BASS SECURITIES. ("USA Today", 9/25)

"It's a bear market," says DUDLEY EPPEL of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENERETTE. "We have to accept reality." ("The Washington Post", 9/25)

ABBY JOSEPH COHEN of BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD calls yesterday's action "a reality check for investors," and says, "I see no reason to buy stock." She sees a weak economy, an unmoving Fed and overvalued equities as the biggest reasons to stay out of the market. ("Investor's Daily", 9/25)

STOCK MARKET:

"I think this could be washout week," says ROBERT STOVALL, president of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS, predicting a 50 to 100 point drop in the Dow over the next few days. "I think there is going to be a movement into cash and a movement out of wounded stocks." He believes this will happen because of 3rd quarter window dressing. "It takes a real hero to stand in and buy stock because you don't know where the bottom is. Stocks look cheap but the fear is that they may get cheaper. It's a pretty bad scene out there." He adds, "And with the end of the quarter coming up this Friday, it takes a very

courageous money manager to buy stocks. They all want to go out of the third quarter with big cash positions. That probably means lower lows all week." But Stovall is more optimistic about the balance of the year. "Whenever you had a down September in the past twenty years, three quarters of the time you've had an up fourth quarter. So with this emotionalism taking hold, I think we will see an up fourth quarter with December being above where we are right now." (FNN "Marketwrap", FNN "Focus", 9/24 and NYT, 9/25)

"I think the market has just about discounted everything there is to discount at this point," says STEPHEN LEEB, editor of "Indicator Digest" and "Personal Finance." "Given even a scintilla of good news, anywhere, I think this market could turn. But predicting when we're going to get that good news is a little bit difficult." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/24)

"A doom-and-gloom mentality is pervading Wall Street," says LEO GROHOWSKI, head of portfolio management at MARINVEST. "People are looking for the next piece of good news and are coming up with nothing." He adds, "As we approach the end of the third quarter, money managers won't mind showing a bit more cash in their portfolios. In a bull market, money managers are embarrassed to show they're 5% in cash. Now with the market getting killed, a client sees 10% cash and says, 'Is that all?'" (WSJ, 9/25)

The stock market had "a bad day," according to FIRST ALBANY CORP.'s director of investment strategy, HUGH JOHNSON. "It started wrong, the middle was wrong and it ended wrong." Johnson blamed "the whole problem" on the conflict and uncertainty in the Middle East. ("Investor's Daily", 9/25)

"The ongoing problem with debt certainly" is one of the factors that is holding the market down, according to MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. The lack of confidence about the prospects for a budget agreement also contribute to the negative sentiment. If no agreement is reached , "the markets are going down," says Acuff. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/24)

"There's a whole list of worries that people are concerned about," says ANDREW RILEY of YAMAICHI INTERNATIONAL (AMERICA) INC. "The first is the price of oil " and how it will effect the world economy, says Riley. With the prospects of war, he says "people are just plain afraid to put their money to work at this instant." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/24)

"One way or another, all the negative influences today were tied to what is seen as a new escalation of tensions in the Persian Gulf," says KENNETH DUCEY at S.G. WARBURG. ("The Washington Post", 9/25)

"Wall Street isn't going to flinch every time [Iraq] says something, but it is going to flinch every time crude spikes up $3 a barrel," says JON GROVEMAN, president at LADENBURG, THALMANN & CO. ("USA Today", 9/25)

"The pessimism is pretty strong," says RICHARD HOLDEN of ALEX. BROWN & SONS.

High oil prices, the prospects of war and the lack of progress on the budget deficit "all adds up to a pretty ugly picture," according to Holden. He sees no signs of major rally in the near future. (WSJ, 9/25)

STOCK TIPS:

"I bought some stocks today," says ROBERT STOVALL, president of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. On his shopping list: GE, BARNETT BANKS OF FLORIDA, SMITH-KLINE and RTZ, a large British metals company listed on the NYSE. "Also I'd be a buyer of oil and gas stocks," suggests Stovall, saying it's not too late. (FNN "Focus" 9/24)

ANDREW RILEY, of YAMAICHI INTERNATIONAL (AMERICA) INC., says that he is very comfortable with cash at this point believing that the market still needs more time to recover. The runaway freight train has to stop before he hops aboard. Nevertheless, Mr. Riley is a value investor who currently finds that SCOTT PAPER and TOY R US are good bargains. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/24)

"I like DUETSCHE BANK very much," says LOU EHRENKRANTZ of REICH & COMPANY. The stock is trading around 420, and Ehrenkrantz says, "I think we still have a 1000 points left there." He also recommends FIRST WACHOVIA, a Southern bank which he says has very little real estate exposure. Ehrenkrantz would buy CITICORP, and says the bank doesn't have to cut its dividend. He suggests looking at bank bonds: "Because you can cut your dividend but you know what it means when a bank walks away from its bond?" (FNN "Focus" 9/24)

At the "Plain Talk Investor," editor FRED GORDON is still calling the market's down move a "secondary correction within the context of a bull market." But he admits there could be more downside ahead due to rising oil prices, and advises patience: "There's no rush to buy the market. Time is with [the bulls]." Among his latest recommendations is HOUSE OF FABRICS, which he calls recession resistant. (CNBC "World Business Update", 9/25)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

The concluding statement of the G-7 meeting on Saturday stated that exchange rates were "broadly in line with continued adjustment of external imbalances," a sign that the members were content to allow the dollar to slide. While Tokyo markets were closed for a holiday, other Pacific markets were open. "What we're seeing is New Yorkers calling on a Sunday afternoon wanting to sell dollars," says one Auckland dealer. (WSJ, 9/25)

LEE HOSKINS, president of the CLEVELAND FEDERAL RESERVE BANK and a voting member of the Fed's policy-making Open Market Committee, and Fed Governor WAYNE ANGELL oppose any tilt toward easing at the August meeting of the FOMC. Hoskins says he favors a tight policy that would prevent the price level from deviating by more than two percentage points from its base line. "When prices deviate from the base line level, the Fed should act to bring prices back in line." (WSJ, 9/25)

"I thought the selloff in the bond market was overdone before," says SAMUEL KAHAN, chief financial economist at FUJI SECURITIES INC. in Chicago. "But our markets tend to go to extremes in times of uncertainty. The market is worried about war, and that's it. Once the situation in the Middle East stabilizes or is clarified, then the market will start to look at economic fundamentals again." (NYT, 9/25)

"War fears, higher oil prices, the impasse over the federal budget deficit, the Federal Reserve hesitancy to ease, and heavy new supply can push bond yields higher," says PHILIP BRAVERMAN of DKB SECURITIES. "But assuming even a hot war isn't prolonged, the growing certainty of a severe recession makes a cyclical yield decline an eventual certainty." ("Investor's Daily", 9/25)

"Buyers are on the sidelines," says STEVEN SASLOW of CARROLL McENTEE & McGINLEY. He says T-bills have been gaining popularity "because money is seeking a safety net, and the safest instruments are Treasurys." (WSJ, 9/25)

"In order to get some relief from high [bond] yields, you'd need some break on the oil front or the budget situation, both of which are totally unpredictable " says RALPH NORTON, editor of "Muni Bond Fund Report." ("USA Today", 9/25)

THE ECONOMY:

"Recession seems very likely unless something changes very promptly," says ROBERT DEDERICK, chief economist at NORTHERN TRUST CO. in Chicago. An easing of short-term interest rates by the Fed might prevent or cushion a recession, he says. (WSJ, 9/25)

FEDERAL RESERVE CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN says predicting the economy is becoming more difficult because "the structure of the economy is more like a moving target than a sitting duck. While our forecasting tools have improved considerably over the postwar period, our forecast accuracy has not." The Fed chairman spoke yesterday to the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BUSINESS ECONOMISTS. ("The Washington Post", 9/25)

"The realization is building for some money managers that we are headed for a recession," says RICKY HARRINGTON, director of investment policy at MARION BASS SECURITIES in Charlotte, N.C. (WSJ, 9/25)

"The story's oil again; it's boring but it's oil," says PETER GRENNAN, senior vice president of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "It has been oil, is oil and will be oil. Whether we have a mild recession or something more serious most likely will hinge on the price of oil." (NYT, 9/25)

"I would like to reiterate that Saudi Arabia is maintaining its long- standing policy, which aims at achieving stability in the oil market," says SHEIKH MOHAMMED ABALKHAIL, minister of finance and national economy of Saudi Arabia. "Our oil production has been increased to maximum capacity." He predicted to committees of the INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND that the Saudi output eventually will mean a retreat in oil prices as higher production takes hold. ("The Washington Post", 9/25)

RICHARD SCHAEFFER, an oil trader with THE CHICAGO CORP., says the prospect of war in the Middle East means, "nobody feels very secure about selling this market." He says short positions are being covered as he predicts prices of over $40, "within the next day or so." ("Nightly Business Report", 9/24)

"Even without war, and without the destruction of the oilfields, we could reach $40" a barrel for oil in trading today, says ROBERT MURPHY, an energy futures broker at LEHMAN BROTHERS INC. (NYT, 9/25)

SADDAM HUSSEIN's threats to attack Saudi Arabia and Israel if the current sanctions against Iraq are maintained are "being looked at very seriously because it was the first time [he] showed a willingness to possibly be the attacker," says TOM BENTZ, director of trading at UNITED ENERGY. "The action that started on Friday could run its course into the $42-a-barrel area ... and that is without any ... military action." ("Investor's Daily", 9/25)

"This is a panic-filled, emotion-fed, hardly rational [oil] market," says TOM KLOZA of "Oil Price Information Service." "It shows every intention of maintaining that tack for the next month or so." ("USA Today", 9/25)

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Unilever United States Inc. has agreed to acquire on behalf of Crosfield Chemicals the assets of the Katalco hydrotreating catalyst business from ICI Americas Inc., for an undisclosed sum. Crosfield is part of the Unilever Speciality Chemicals Group.

The Katalco business being purchased is located in Chicago and employs 125 people. It develops, manufactures and sells a wide range of catalysts for the petrochemical industry.

The acquisition of this U.S. catalyst business will give Crosfield direct access to the world's single largest catalyst market, will broaden its product portfolio and will further develop Crosfield's position as a worldwide

supplier of speciality catalysts.

Crosfield Chemicals, with total annual sales of some $150 million, is a leading producer of silicates, speciality silicas and catalysts. It has production units in the U.K., Italy, the Netherlands and Brazil and its U.S. operations comprise a silicates and speciality silicas manufacturing facility at Joliet, Ill., and the Cormix construction chemicals business in Dallas.

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ALAMEDA, CA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Action Technologies, Inc. announced today an agreement with IBM to jointly study next-generation business automation software applications. The two companies will explore emerging technologies for use in managing business processes throughout organizations.

"Business process management is the next frontier in business automation," said Russell Redenbaugh, chairman, ATI. "It will allow companies to dramatically improve productivity, which will have important consequences in their ability to remain competitive in the world market."

"As a groupware pioneer, we have always understood that communication software that manages business activities must be based on how people work," said Tom White, president. "We believe that our technology provides a unique, fundamental, rigorous, and complete foundation for business process definition and workflow control. Products incorporating ATI's technology will be a tremendous boon for both users and the groupware market."

Action Technologies has developed partnerships with Novell, Inc. Ashton-Tate, CompuServe, British Telecom, DaVinci Systems and many others.

Action Technologies is a privately held company founded in 1983. The company provides network management and communications software for the business users and enabling technologies for the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) markets. The company's first groupware product is The Coordinator Version II, a network management and communications software application that offers individual scheduling and group calendaring features along with electronic mail capabilities. In addition, its message handling software, MHS by Action Technologies, is widely used in store and transfer services and is a standard for application to application communication, either within or between local area networks.

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CHERRYVILLE, NC (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The following is a letter to shareholders from Kenneth E. Mayhew, Jr., President and Chief Executive Officer of Carolina Freight Corporation (NYSE: CAO):

Letter to Shareholders: We are pleased to report record revenue of $171,340,349 for the twelve weeks ended September 8, 1990, an increase of 12.6 percent over third quarter 1989 revenue. Net earnings increased 49.8 percent to $1,612,452 in the third quarter. Earnings per share were $.25 compared with $.16 in the third quarter of 1989. The fiscal year of the Company consists of three 12-week quarters and a 16-week fourth quarter.

Revenue for the first thirty-six weeks of 1990 was $499,162,067, an increase of 8.7 percent over the comparable period of 1989. Year-to-date net earnings were $1,678,076 compared with $4,687,498 for 1989. Earnings per share for the first three quarters were $.25 in 1990 and $.70 in 1989.

Fuel prices have risen substantially as a result of the Middle East conflict. Fortunately, higher fuel costs have been largely offset by a fuel surcharge on freight rates. Partly due to the fuel surcharge, freight rates improved compared with the depressed price level in the third quarter of 1989.

Start-up costs in connection with the restructuring of our linehaul and consolidation terminal (new hub-and-spoke) operations were approximately $300,000 in the third quarter. Health insurance and workers' compensation costs were significantly higher than in the third quarter of 1989 due to escalating national health care costs and more liberal state laws regarding workers' compensation benefits.

Because of two large bankruptcies in the retail industry and numerous smaller bankruptcies among our customers during 1990, we are substantially increasing our provision for bad debts this year. As a result, our bad debt expense was $739,000 higher in the third quarter than in the third quarter of 1989.

Our 12.6 percent revenue growth in the third quarter is a reflection of the superior service that we are providing to our customers and the effectiveness of our marketing program. Not only has the new linehaul/consolidation terminal configuration enabled us to improve time-in-transit service to our customers, but we continue to develop new computer applications that give us an edge in our customer service capabilities.

Sincerely /sig/ Kenneth E. Mayhew, Jr. President and Chief Executive Officer

CONTACT: Shawn Poole, Carolina Freight Corporation, 704-435-6811.

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WICHITA, KN (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Brite Voice Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: BVSI) announced today the settlement of its lawsuit against West Interactive Corp. (formerly 900 Services Inc.) and Gary West. The lawsuit, filed in September 1989, sought collection of approximately $614,000 remaining due under a contract for the sale of a Gateway 5000(TM) System for approximately $1,722,000.

Under the settlement, Brite released its claim for the balance due under the contract and the defendants released their counterclaims for damages. The settlement will result in a pre-tax charge to earnings of approximately $463,000, which will be recognized in the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

In announcing the settlement, Stan Brannan, president and CEO of Brite stated, "Although we believe that our case was strong and the likelihood of prevailing was good, the costs we would have incurred and the management time which would have been required did not justify seeing the lawsuit through to conclusion."

Brite Voice is one of the leading manufacturers of audiotex and interactive voice response equipment in the United States. The company, founded in 1984, sells turn-key products to 800 and 900 service bureaus, broadcast and print media, telephone, hospital, real estate and cellular markets as well as to municipal, county and state governments.

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UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Corporation (NYSE: WU) has extended the period of its current exchange offer, which had been scheduled to expire at midnight on Sept. 24, to midnight on Tuesday, Oct. 9, 1990.

In the exchange offer, which is a key component of the company's recapitalization plan, Western Union is proposing to issue new notes and common shares in exchange for up to $530 million of its presently outstanding 19-1/4 percent senior secured notes and 16 percent notes. The reclassification of Western Union preferred shares into common shares, which is the other major component of the recapitalization plan, was approved by the company's shareholders on August 16.

Preliminary figures indicate that as of midnight on September 24, $348,092,000 aggregate principal amount of Western Union's 19-1/4 percent notes and $1,409,000 aggregate principal amount of its 16 percent notes had been tendered in the current exchange offer (including securities as to which delivery has been guaranteed).

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#90268p7721 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Rohm and Haas Co. (NYSE: ROH) announced today it has reached an agreement with its partners to restructure the TOCIL joint venture in Tokyo, Japan.

When the transaction is completed early next year, the joint venture will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Rohm and Haas.

TOCIL (Tokyo Organic Chemical Industries, Ltd.) manufactures Rohm and Haas agricultural fungicides and water treatment chemicals. It was formed in 1956. Rohm and Haas currently holds a 50-percent interest in the venture. The other partners in the venture are Toagosei Chemical Industry Co. Ltd., Sanyo Trading Co. Ltd., and Japan Organo Co. Ltd.

"TOCIL was our first major step into the Japanese market, and has remained an important part of our business in the Pacific Rim," said William A. Kulik, vice president and director of the Pacific Region. "We are grateful to our partners, who have shared their knowledge of the market and guided our business practices for many years.

"Rohm and Haas continues to value its presence in Japan," continued Kulik. "A significant portion of our future sales will occur in Pacific Rim countries. This restructuring will provide a strong manufacturing base for that growth."

Details of the agreement were not disclosed.

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JACKSON, MI (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - MidSouth Corporation (NASDAQ: MSRR) and the Prospect Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: PROS), announced today their agreement to exchange Prospect's holdings of MidSouth preferred stock for approximately 1,042,000 to 1,443,000 shares of MidSouth's common stock, the exact number of shares to be determined based on the trading value of such stock following release by MidSouth of its third quarter earnings report. Subject to satisfaction of certain conditions, the transaction is expected to close on or about Nov. 19.

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BELLEVUE, WASH (Sept. 25) PR NEWSWIRE -- Quality Food Centers Inc. (QFC) (NASDAQ: QFCI) today reported net earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 8 of $3,925,000, compared with $3,440,000 for the corresponding 1989 quarter. Net earnings per share were 41 cents, compared with 36 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989, after giving effect to the two-for-one stock split effective Sept. 26, 1989. Earnings before the extraordinary charge for the early repayment of debt recorded in the third quarter of 1989 were $4,330,000, or 45 cents per shrare.

Sales for the third quarter were $83.5 million, compared with $85.3 million last year. 1989 third quarter sales were boosted substantially by the area-wide labor dispute that involved most supermarkets in the Seattle/King County area, excluding QFC and a few other independents. The 12-week strike, which began on May 11 and was settled on July 30, 1989, involved approximately six weeks of QFC's 1989 third quarter. However, the strike affected the entire third quarter as well as the beginning of the fourth quarter of 1989.

In commenting on the results, Marc Evanger, vice president and chief financial officer said, "We are very pleased with our 1990 third quarter results. Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $6 million higher than the second quarter of 1990, our operating margin was 6.8 percent of sales and our net margin was 4.7 percent. The labor dispute substantially impacted 1989 third quarter sales and created significant economies of scale, which produced very strong earnings last year. Accordingly, direct comparison of 1990 third quarter results to 1989 is not indicative of the company's longer-term trends. Third quarter sales and net earnings reflect two-year compound growth rates of 24.8 percent and 51.1 percent, respectively."

For the 36 weeks ended Sept. 8, net earnings were $10,638,000, or $1.10 per share, compared with net earnings of $8,726,000, or 91 cents per share, in the comparable period last year. Earnings before the extraordinary charge for the 36-week period of 1989 were $9,616,000, or $1.00 per share. Sales for the 36-week period of 1990 were $234 million, versus $221 million in the comparable 1989 period.

"We are pleased with our third quarter results as well as our progress on the expansion front," said Dan Kourkoumelis, QFC president and chief operating officer. "Customer response to our new Crossroads store, the newly remodeled Redmond and Factoria stores, and the two stores recently acquired in North Bend and Carnation has been very encouraging. Our Interbay store remodel is well underway and should be complete in November. And, we just broke ground on our new Totem Lake store, which, along with the Westwood Village and Coal Creek stores, is expected to open in 1991." Kourkoumelis continued, "We expect to complete additional remodels in 1991 and continue to pursue other new store locations and acquisition opportunities."

QFC is the largest independent supermarket chain in Seattle/King County. QFC has served this growing area for 35 years and today has 27 stores. In operating its stores, QFC's first priority is satisfying customers' needs by emphasizing superior service, high-quality perishables and convenient store locations.

QUALITY FOOD CENTERS INC.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Dollars in thousands, except per-share amounts)

	12 Weeks Ended			
	Sept. 8 1990	Percent of sales	Sept. 9 1989	Percent of sales
Sales	$83,540	100.0	$85,305	100.0
Cost of sales and related occupancy expenses	63,101	75.6	64,109	75.2
Operating expenses	14,725	17.6	14,718	17.2
Operating income	5,714	6.8	6,478	7.6

Interest expense	---	---	(324)	(0.4)
Interest income	244	0.3	414	0.5
Earnings before taxes	5,958	7.1	6,568	7.7
Income taxes	2,033	2.4	2,238	2.6
Earnings before extraordinary charge	$ 3,925	4.7	$ 4,330	5.1
Extraordinary charge	---	---	(890)	(1.1)
Net earnings	$ 3,925	4.7	$ 3,440	4.0
Average shares outstanding	9,660		9,606	
Earnings per share: before extraordinary charge	$ 0.41		$ 0.45	
Net	$ 0.41		$ 0.36	
Cash and short-term investments	$17,984		$23,979	
Total assets	82,969		75,723	
Long-term debt	---		---	
Shareholders' equity	53,751		38,975	

	36 Weeks Ended			
	Sept. 8 1990	Percent of sales	Sept. 9 1989	Percent of sales
Sales	$234,201	100.0	$220,956	100.0
Cost of sales and related occupancy expenses	177,699	75.9	167,222	75.7
Operating expenses	41,067	17.5	39,106	17.7
Operating income	15,435	6.6	14,628	6.6
Interest expense	---	---	(949)	(0.4)
Interest income	719	0.3	906	0.4
Earnings before taxes	16,154	6.9	14,585	6.6
Income taxes	5,516	2.4	4,969	2.2
Earnings before extraordinary charge	$10,638	4.5	$ 9,616	4.4
Extraordinary charge	---	---	(890)	(0.5)
Net earnings	$10,638	4.5	$ 8,726	3.9
Average shares outstanding	9,648		9,588	
Earnings per share: before extraordinary charge	$ 1.10		$ 1.00	
Net	$ 1.10		$ 0.91	
Cash and short-term investments Total assets Long-term debt Shareholders' equity				

CONTACT: Marc Evanger of Quality Food Centers Inc., 206-455-3761

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#90268p7733 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Government representatives from Canada, the U.S. and New York joined together today with executives of Journey's End Corporation to mark the official opening of New York City's first Journey's End Hotel. Conveniently located just off Fifth Avenue at 3 East 40th Street, the newly-built, 189-room, 29-storey mid- Manhattan hotel is the 120th property owned and operated by the Ontario, Canada-based lodging chain.

Following a brief ceremony which included a traditional ribbon cutting and the presentation of Canadian and American flags to hotel General Manager Paula Power-Spirlet by Canadian Consul General Anthony Eyton and U.S. Commerce Department District Director Joel Barkin, Journey's End Corporation Chairman, CEO and co-founder Maurice Rollins declared the property officially open.

Rollins and co-founder Joseph Basch opened the first Journey's End property, a modest, sixty-room motel in suburban Ontario, in 1978. In the twelve years since, the company has experienced remarkable growth and today stands as Canada's largest and fastest growing limited service lodging company, offering travelers a choice of 130 hotels, motels and all-suite properties throughout Canada and the northeastern United States.

The Journey's End Hotel (Manhattan) features a two-storey lobby with a ground floor sitting area and a second floor gallery where guests can enjoy complimentary morning coffee and newspaper, or just unwind after a full day of business or sightseeing. The hotel offers a choice of comfortably appointed accommodations with one or two double beds or one queen-sized bed. All rooms include a well-lit work area, individual climate controls, triple-glazed windows, telephone with extra long cord for ease of mobility, remote control color television with cable service and AM/FM radio, and a roomy private bathroom with tub/shower combination.

Guest room privacy and security is ensured with a state-of-the-art electronic locking system which automatically re-programs the lock after each check-out. Rooms with a queen-sized bed also feature a sitting area with a sofa-bed.

For more information or reservations at Journey's End Hotel (Manhattan) call 212-447-1500 or 1-800-668-4200 toll-free from anywhere in the continental United States or Canada.

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WALTHAM, MA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Instrument Systems Inc. (AMEX:

THI) announced today that its TMA/Eberline subsidiary has been selected by the Defense Nuclear Agency as operator of a plutonium cleanup plant approximately 700 miles west southwest of Honolulu, Hawaii, under a three-year contract valued at $4.4 million.

The contract covers the second phase of cleanup on Johnston Island, where approximately 100,000 cubic yards of soil are contaminated with plutonium as a result of nuclear weapon effects testing conducted in 1962. The soil decontamination plant that TMA/Eberline will operate combines standard mining and milling equipment with radiation detection instruments and process controls designed and manufactured by another subsidiary of Thermo Instrument, Eberline Instrument Corporation. Plutonium extracted from the soil will be prepared for disposal at an approved radioactive-waste handling facility.

"Award of this contract indicates the close coordination of our environmental services and monitoring instrument businesses," said Arvin H. Smith, president and chief executive officer of Thermo Instrument. "We believe that adaptions of the technologies that make it possible to remove radioactive particles from otherwise clean soil can play an important role in Defense and Energy Department efforts to restore the environment at sites throughout the United States."

TMA/Eberline is based in Albuquerque, N.M. Eberline Instrument Corporation in headquartered in Santa Fe, N.M.

Thermo Instrument System develops, manufactures and markets analytical instruments used to detect and monitor air pollution, radioactivity, complex chemical compounds, and toxic metals and other elements in a broad range of liquids and solids. The company also provides environmental science and engineering services, laboratory-based testing, and nuclear health physics services. Thermo Instrument Systems is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Horn & Hardart Company (AMEX: HOR) announced today that its Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President Donald Schupak, who led a two-year restructuring program that refocused the company's strategy, divested non-core businesses and enhanced its financial strength, has resigned his position as CEO and president.

Schupak has been succeeded as president and chief executive officer by Jack E. Rosenfeld, CEO of the Hanover Companies, the profitable direct marketing concern that is Horn & Hardart's principal business, and a member of the board of directors since 1974.

Rosenfeld, a 20-year veteran of the direct marketing industry, negotiated the sale of Hanover to Horn & Hardart in 1972 and remained as president and chief executive officer of Hanover until 1977. He was recruited back into Hanover in 1988 and has worked closely with Schupak in corporate and operating matters. Rosenfeld was named "Cataloger of the Year" for 1989 by Target Marketing Magazine.

Schupak will remain as chairman of the company for an interim period to ensure a smooth transition. He will also remain a director of the company, and he will act as a consultant for three years.

The Horn & Hardart Company is engaged primarily in the direct marketing business through its wholly owned subsidiary the Hanover Companies.

Based in Weehawken, N.J., the Hanover Companies is the sixth largest specialty mail order marketer in the United States. It currently publishes 22 catalogs in four principal areas: home furnishings; women's fashion; men's fashion; and giftware. In fiscal 1989, the Hanover Companies reported revenues of $382.6 million. The revenue forecast for fiscal 1990 is approximately $500 million.

Horn & Hardart is also engaged in the restaurant business. International King's Table, Inc., acquired in 1988, operates 83 buffet- style restaurants in nine Western states under the name King's Table Buffet. IKT is the largest buffet-style restaurant operator in its market.

Horn & Hardart has recently divested its East Coast restaurant operations, which included Burger King, Arby's and Bojangles restaurants.

Horn & Hardart was founded in 1911. In fiscal 1989 the company reported revenues of $537.7 million.

CONTACT: Donald Schupak of Horn & Hardart, 212-582-4210; or Jack Rosenfeld of the Hanover Companies, 201-319-3401

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BOCA RATON, FLA. (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - First Medical International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HUGE) has executed an agreement in connection with the acquisition of a medical waste disposal company in Lansing, Mich., MedTex International, Inc. for $525,000 in cash and securities. In 1991, over $3 million in sales with a gross profit before taxes of $900,000 are projected by MedTex management. The announcement was made by Roberto Riva, chief executive officer of First Medical International.

MedTex International has a unique, proprietary medical waste disposal system -- Medwaste -- for sharps medical waste disposal, which includes contaminated

needles and syringes. The Medwaste System is used in hospitals, laboratories, clinics, doctors and dentists offices. Medwaste economically reduces waste handling and the possibility of accidental infection. It also reduces medical liability by utilizing containers which establish documentation via manifest and receipt that destruction and disposal have been safely and lawfully accomplished.

First Medical International, Inc. (formerly called Humagen) has also recently acquired Cardio Scan, Inc., an established company which specializes in the use of the Holter Monitor system for extensive EKG and EEG testing. The company also has the exclusive right to franchise, own and operate Medical Depot Superstores in the U.S.S.R., Mexico and Panama and a non-exclusive right to franchise, own and operate Medical Depot Superstores anywhere else outside the U.S.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Mercury Air Group, Inc. (AMEX: MAX) today announced net income of $1,025,000, or $0.48 per share, on revenues of $66,796,000 for fiscal year 1990, ended June 30, 1990. The company reported net income of $293,000, or $.11 per share, and revenues of $65,366,000 for the previous fiscal year.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990, Mercury Air had revenues of $15,518,000 and net income of $177,000, or $.08 per share, compared with revenues of $16,699,000 and a net loss of $(37,000), or $(.03) per share, for the fourth quarter of the prior year.

The aviation services company noted that net income for fiscal year 1990 was positively influenced by improved overall results from high- margin cargo handling operations. Net income for the previous year was reduced by an after-tax charge of $615,000 for settlement of outstanding litigation.

The company further noted that the increased revenues for fiscal year 1990 included gains from cargo handling as well as fuel delivery operations.

"Our improved financial results -- both for fiscal year 1990 and in each of the past three years -- reflect the success of Mercury Air's corporate restructuring in 1987 to focus exclusively on aviation services," said Seymour Kahn, chairman of Mercury Air Group.

"We are especially pleased by the gains in the company's cargo operations during the year. With rising international demand for our cargo handling services and the planned expansion of our cargo facilities to more than twice the current capacity in early 1991, we expect these operations to continue to

generate improved results in the current fiscal year.

"In addition, the company's fuel service operations are strategically positioned to broaden our reach in serving commercial as well as military markets. We expect all of these trends to result in continued growth for Mercury Air in fiscal 1991," Kahn said.

Mercury Air Group, Inc. is the largest independent fuel supplier at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), as well as one of the largest domestic contractors providing aviation fueling services to the U.S. military. The company provides fueling, cargo handling, and ground support for commercial, military and general aviation aircraft. These services are handled through Mercury Air's main operations at LAX, five fixed-base operations in California and Nevada, and 14 U.S. military bases, including one in Bermuda.

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ATLANTIC CITY, NJ (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Radio Laboratories (DRL), parent company of Digital Planet, has entered into a two-year, $85 million pact with Hitachi Ltd. (NYSE: HIT) and Mitsui Comtek, the trading arm of Mitsui Group, for the manufacture and distribution of DRL's proprietary digital tuners. The agreement to participate in DRL's Digital Planet marks these Japanese giants' entry into a new and revolutionary audio marketplace.

Doug Talley, chairman of DRL and chief executive officer of Digital Planets, comments, "Hitachi's reputation as a maker of high quality electronic equipment is unsurpassed and ensures the excellence of our equipment. Also, our partnership with Hitachi and Mitsui Comtek is particularly rewarding in its endorsement of Digital Planet as the vanguard in this exciting new market."

Digital Planet, set for launch this month in Southern California, is a new digital quality audio service delivered through cable television systems. The tuners, developed by DRL, will be manufactured by Hitachi, the world's ninth largest manufacturer with more than $45 billion in annual gross sales, with the largest portion in electronics equipment. The agreement covers two years of manufacturing the tuners which will be sold to cable operators at a very competitive price.

Teruo Fujii, chief engineer at Hitachi Ltd., explains, "After having carefully reviewed the various technologies put forth, we are convinced that the DRL technology is, by far, the best. We believe that the future holds a marriage of cable and consumer electronics, and we certainly intend to be a major player in that market."

As its part of the alliance, Mitsui Comtek will finance the manufacturing budget of $85 million and will also supervise export of the tuners to the United States and domestic distribution to cable television companies and consumer electronics outlets.

Koichi Suzuki, senior vice president of Mitsui Comtek Corp., says, "We have studied this new market and are convinced that DRL's technology is a clear winner, offering twice the bandwidth compression capability with superior fidelity at lower cost than competing systems. Combined with Digital Planet's marketing and programming expertise, we look forward to a long and profitable relationship."

Digital Planet will offer 91 channels of digital audio programming, including commercial-free music, simulcasts, domestic and international radio stations, and special channels produced by America's leading record companies.

William H. DeLany, president of Digital Planet, concludes, "The element of technical excellence in Digital Planet is married to our commitment to programming excellence. We have assembled the country's top music programming talent, and we already have the support of major record, broadcasting and cable television companies. As in our alliance with Hitachi and Mitsui Comtek, our corporate partnership with creative companies will ensure the long-term success of Digital Planet."

CONTACT: Mike Firmature or Cindy Rosmann of Cable Media Relations, 213-934-9301, for Digital Planet

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WILMINGTON, DEL. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Airgas Inc. (NYSE: ARG) today announced the acquisition of Waukegan Welding Supply in Waukegan, Ill., and Algas Supplies in Merced, Calif.

Both companies are distributors of industrial gases and welding supplies. Combined annual sales are approximately $7 million.

Waukegan Welding Supply will operate as part of Great Lakes Airgas. Current management will continue to operate Waukegan's three existing locations.

Algas Supplies will be consolidated with an existing Airgas location in Merced and will operate as part of Sierra Airgas.

Since April 1, 1990, Airgas has acquired nine industrial gas distributors with annual sales of approximately $16 million. More than 50 industrial gas distributors have been acquired since March 31, 1988, with annual sales of more than $200 million.

Currently the Airgas distributor network includes more than 230 locations in 29 states and Canada. Airgas Inc. is the largest independent distributor of industrial, medical and specialty gases in the United States.

CONTACT: John P. McNiff or Britton H. Murdoch of Airgas, 215-687-5253

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#90268p7756 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEXINGTON, MA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Raytheon Company's (NYSE: RTN) Seismograph Service subsidiary has signed a protocol with a Soviet state-run geophysical organization to carry out oil and gas exploration work within the Soviet Union.

Seismograph Service, headquartered in Kent, England, plans to enter a joint venture with Neftegeofizika, the geophysical exploration arm of the Soviet Ministry of Geology.

Under the joint venture Seismograph Service will provide technical supervision seismic recording equipment and data processing capability. Neftegeofizika will provide exploration crews, seismic equipment and local support.

Ian Cheshire, president and CEO of Seismograph Service, said, "The joint venture will offer unique services to international oil companies working in the Soviet Union. This will be the first time the Soviets have gone into a commercial partnership with a western company in the field of geophysical exploration. We are pleased to be in on the ground floor and look forward to a long relationship with Neftegeofizika."

Neftegeofizika has a research institute in Moscow and operates several hundred seismic crews in the Soviet Union, as well as a number of seismic vessels.

Seismograph Service is an international geophysical contractor operating from its main offices in Kent, outside of London, and Houston, Texas.

Raytheon Company is an international, $8.8 billion company, headquartered in Lexington, Mass., active in electronics, aviation, applicances, industry and environmental services, publishing and construction.

CONATCT: Larry McCracken of Raytheon Company, 617-860-2431.

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#90268p7765 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Beginning Oct. 1, inTeleFeatures will be available to approximately 50,000 Rochester Telephone customers in Pittsford and Perinton whose telephone numbers begin with 223, 248, 377, 381, 383, 385, 388, 398, 425, and 586.

inTeleFeatures are new services designed to give customers more convenience and control over the use of their telephones. The services include: Call Return, Automatic Redial, and Call Tracing By dialing a simple code. Call Return automatically dials the telephone number of the last incoming call regardless of whether or not the call was answered.

Automatic Redial eliminates dialing busy numbers over and over. By dialing a simple code, Automatic Redial will continuously redial busy telephone numbers for up to 30 minutes.

Call Tracing allows customers to take immediate action against annoyance callers. By dialing a simple code after receiving an annoyance call, information about that call is sent directly to Rochester Telephone and an investigation can begin.

Rates for Call Return and Automatic Redial are each $4 per month. Customers purchasing both features will receive a 15 percent discount on each feature. Call Tracing will be made available on an "as needed" basis. The charge for each successful trace will be $1.50.

"This is the first phase of our program to provide inTeleFeatures throughout our six-county territory," said Terry Davenport, residence sales director. "We expect to be able to offer these services to the majority of our customers by the end of 1991." Customers will be officially informed when inTeleFeatures are available in their area by way of direct mail.

CONTACT: Diana Melville of Rochester Telephone, (716) 777-1090.

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#90268p7770 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statements may be attributed to John P. King, Parts and Service Engineering Office manager, Ford Parts and Service Division:

Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) is notifying owners of a voluntary safety recall of approximately 14,500 1989-90 Aerostar wagons equipped with optional Quad Captain's chairs to replace latch assemblies in the second-row, right-hand bucket seat.

Ford is concerned that these seats, which are designed to tilt forward to permit easy access to third-row seats, may unlatch during sever frontal impacts.

Ford discovered the condition during a recent simulated barrier severe crash test that resulted in disengagement of the latch mechanism. Ford is not aware of any accident involving a vehicle in use in which the seat has unlatched.

Owners will be notified by mail and asked to return their Aerostar wagons to dealers to have revised latch mechanisms installed at no charge. Of the vehicles affected, 13,146 are located in the United States, 1,357 are in Canada, and 82 are in export locations.

In a second action, Ford is notifying owners of a voluntary safety recall of approximately 18,000 1989-90 L-Series heavy trucks to replace a check valve within the air brake system that may malfunction and not close as intended.

The valve is designed to protect the pressure in a secondary air tank in the unlikely event that pressure in the supply air tank is lost. Under normal operating conditions, a driver would experience no effect on vehicle control, braking or performance due to a non-functional check valve.

However, in an extreme case, after the sounding of a warning buzzer and illumination of a warning light, some trucks involved in the recall could lose front braking capability if pressure is lost from the supply reservoir. In the equally unlikely event that pressure is lost from the primary tank, the truck's emergency brakes would begin to apply automatically. (To date, there are no reports of this condition occurring.)

Owners will be notified by mail and asked to return the vehicles to their dealers to have the work performed at no charge. Of the vehicles affected, 15,247 are located in the United States, 3,103 are in Canada, and 49 are in export locations.

CONTACT: Jim Trainor of Ford, (313) 594-2880.

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#90268p7772 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - United Parcel Service (UPS), and Yamato Transport Co., Ltd. of Japan have formed Unistar Air Cargo, a joint venture that will serve the growing international trade between the United States and Japan.

The new company is a unique combination of air freight forwarding and integrated air service joining the world's largest package delivery company, UPS, with Japan's largest package delivery company, Yamato.

Service is expected to begin in October and will utilize the UPS worldwide network, including its airline and its newly awarded all-cargo route to Japan.

"The U.S.-Japan trade market will be our primary focus," said Mark Skoda, executive vice president of Unistar. "However, Unistar will transport any size shipment, from lightweight express packages to heavyweight air freight, to anywhere in the world."

All shipments will be tracked from pickup to delivery, with shipment status, speedy customs clearance, and comprehensive delivery and billing information available through a sophisticated transport information network. Delivery options ranging from airport-to-airport to door-to-door will be offered. Logistics engineering support will also be offered to customers seeking to create distribution channels through the world.

Chicago will be headquarters for the U.S. operation, with branch operations in New York, Atlanta, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Anchorage. An additional 15 cities will be added in early 1991. Headquarters for the Japan operation will be in Tokyo.

UPS is a worldwide company serving all 50 U.S. states and more than 180 countries and territories. The company delivered 2.8 billion packages and documents in 1989, and had revenue of more than $12 billion. Yamato, an established international freight forwarder and one of the oldest transportation companies in Japan, had revenue of $2.4 billion in 1989.

CONTACT: John Flick of United Parcel Service, 203-862-6346, or Hope Wright of Edelman Public Relations, 212-704-8114, for UPS

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#90268p7773 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Ortho Pharmaceutical Corporation today announced an exciting advance in the treatment of infertility with its introduction of a new therapy for women whose infertility is caused by a GnRH hormone deficiency.

Bringing new hope to infertile couples, LUTREPULSE(R) (gonadorelin acetate) for Injection is a natural, physiologic approach to ovulation induction. This two-part system is the first new infertility product in more than 20 years.

LUTREPULSE consists of a synthetic hormone, gonadorelin acetate, and a lightweight, programmable intravenous pump which administers the drug to the woman. The pump was specifically designed to administer the hormone intravenously in pulses that mimic the natural release of gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH), approximately every 90 minutes. It is the first pump dedicated exclusively to GnRH treatment.

LUTREPULSE was approved by the Food and Drug Administration under the Orphan Drug Act for women with an endocrine disorder called primary hypothalamic amenorrhea. Women with primary hypothalamic amenorrhea have a dysfunction of the hypothalamus gland and have never ovulated or had a menstrual period. Their infertility stems from a deficiency of gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH).

The development of LUTREPULSE was made possible following extensive research on GnRH. The synthetic hormone was first isolated and identified in the 1970s by two independent researchers, Schally and Guillemin (1). This major scientific achievement was so highly regarded that Schally and Guillemin were awarded the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1977 for their work. When the characteristic pulsatile nature of natural GnRH release was understood, the therapeutic potential for synthetic GnRH was discovered.

LUTREPULSE is currently available through infertility specialists nationwide. Consumers can call a special 800 number (1-800-772-HOPE) for more infomation about the infertility specialists that will be offering the LUTREPULSE system.

Ortho, the leader in family planning and health care products for women, is now extending its tradition of helping women to have babies and build families. A wholly owned subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson (NYSE: JNJ), Ortho is headquartered in Raritan, N.J. The company markets products in more than 100 countries around the world and employs more than 2,000 people.

CONTACT: Harry Castleman, Lisa Strawbridge or Julie Laukkanen of Cone Communications, 617-227-2111, for Ortho Pharmaceutical

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#90268p7774 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - BSN Corp. (AMEX: BSN) today announced that its president, Michael Blumenfeld, filed an amended 13d report with the Security and Exchange Commission reflecting recent purchases of BSN's common stock in the open market totalling 70,300 shares at prices from $5.125 to $6.25 per share. The purchase raises Blumenfeld's ownership to approximately 18.5 percent.

Blumenfeld stated that "The purchases were made in accord with an earlier announcement that management would seek to purchase up to 500,000 BSN shares subject to availability and financing and when additional funds become available I fully intend to continue to purchase additional shares of the company."

CONTACT: Michael Blumenfeld, president of BSN Corp., 214-484-9484.

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#90268p7777 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODBURY, NY (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Comverse Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: CMVT) today announced the signing of an agreement between Ascom (its largest continental European distributor) and TS-1 (Telefonica Servicos S.A.), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Spanish PTT.

TS-1 will distribute Comverse's TRILOGUE system (labelled the AMM/Ascom Message Manager) in Spain. The system will be sold exclusively in conjunction with their Ibercom value added services to major companies.

Hans Haslebacher, vice president/head of private networks division of Ascom, stated that, "This is another major step in Ascom's penetration of the European PTTs with the AMM product, adding to the recent major contract with the Deutsche-Bundespost Telekom in Germany. We believe that the fast growing Spanish economy, coupled with Telefonica's major trust to develop value added services, will provide very significant future business.

Kobi Alexander, president and chairman of the board of Comverse stated that, "We are extremely pleased to have our products marketed in Spain by a company of the stature and capability of Telefonica and are very optimistic concerning the future of his new relationship."

Brian Wiltshire, president of Comverse International, added that, "This relationship further underlines the importance of the year-old strategic alliance between Ascom and Comverse. Ascom is also aggressively pursuing the PTTs and other subscriber service providers in France, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Austria and Belgium which we believe will lead to excellent future prospects."

Comverse, located in Woodbury, develops, manufactures, and markets high performance computer systems for commercial and defense communications applications, including multi-media message management systems under the name of TRILOGUE.

CONTACT: Kobi Alexander, president and chairman of the board, Brian Wiltshire, president, or David Chuchinsky, all of Comverse Technology, (516) 921-0470.

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#90268p7778 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Justin Industries, Inc., (NASDAQ: JSTN) announced today that U.S. Federal Judge David O. Belew, Jr. today denied a motion by the Sutherland/Rosenstein Group to compel the directors of Justin Industries to call a special shareholders' meeting. The court, in denying the motion, also refused to delay the closing of Justin's tender offer for all the shares of Tony Lama Company, Inc. by Justin. The tender offer is scheduled to be closed promptly after midnight, EDT, on Sept. 25, 1990.

Justin Industries includes Justin Boot Company and Nocona Boot Company, makers of famed Justin(R) and Nocona(R) footwear; Acme Brick Company, the top domestically owned U.S. manufacturer of face brick; Ceramic Cooling Tower Company, designer/builder of cooling systems for utility and commercial users, manufacturers of Permalite(R), Ultralite(R), and Unilite(R) cooling towers plus Tradewinds(R) evaporative air coolers for residential and commercial

needs; Featherlite Building Products Corporation, leading Southwest producer of concrete masonry products; and Northland Publishing Company, publisher of fine books focused on the art and history of the American West.

CONTACT: Richard J. Savitz, vice president-finance of Justin Industries, 817-390-2412.

-30- 1475

#90268p7781 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bell Atlantic Corp. (NYSE: BEL) today declared a third-quarter dividend of $.59 on the company's outstanding common shares.

The dividend will be payable on Nov. 1, 1990, to shareowners of record of outstanding shares on Oct. 10.

The dividend will be paid to approximately 1.2 million Bell Atlantic shareowners. Bell Atlantic currently has approximately 392.6 million shares of common stock outstanding.

Philadelphia-based Bell Atlantic is the parent company of New Jersey Bell, Bell of Pennsylvania, Diamond State Telephone (Delaware), and the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Companies serving Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and Washington, D.C

The corporation also is the parent company of businesses that provide mobile communications in the mid-Atlantic region as well as computer maintenance and financial services in national and international markets.

CONTACT: Cynthia M. Ciangio of Bell Atlantic, 215-963-6306

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#90268p7788 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Manufacturing is under way for a special shipment of KOOL and RICHLAND cigarettes destined for U.S. troops serving in the Middle East. Produced by Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation, the cigarettes will be provided free of charge to the military.

"We were prepared to make the commitment as soon as we received the request," said Thomas E. Sandefur, Jr., president and chief operating officer of Brown & Williamson. "We want to offer whatever support we can to the U.S. military forces, and are very pleased to take part in this effort."

The cigarettes will be distributed through military channels to all branches of the U.S. armed services now stationed in Saudi Arabia. Included will be mixed quantities of KOOL Milds, RICHLAND Lights and RICHLAND Full Flavor Kings.

The shipment is expected to depart Brown & Williamson's plant in Macon, Ga., next week for delivery to the 18th Airborne Corps at Fort Bragg, N.C. The product will then enter the military distribution system for handling and transport to the Middle East.

Headquartered in Louisville, Brown & Williamson manufactures cigarettes for customers in the U.S. and export markets worldwide. KOOL is the company's leading brand and a top-selling menthol cigarette. RICHLAND is a popular value-priced offering. Both brands are among the company's top-selling products in military markets.

CONTACT: Patrick L. Stone, Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation, 502-568-7235.

-30- 1676

#90268p7792 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTON UPPER FALLS, MA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - GZA GeoEnvironmental Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: GZEA) announced today that its subsidiary, Environmental Applications, Inc. has acquired 100 percent of the stock of Grover Enterprises, Inc. of Raynham, Mass.

Grover Enterprises was acquired for $1 million of which $750,000 was paid in cash and $250,000 is payable over four years (subject to adjustment for claims if any, and conformity to certain performance criteria).

Grover Enterprises, Inc. is an earthwork and general contracting firm that specializes in environmental remediation services in New England. Environmental Applications, Inc. provides remediation services including design, installation, and operation of treatment systems for contaminant reduction or removal.

According to Environmental Applications management, the acquisition is expected to enhance the company's cost-competitive position for environmental remediation contracts, allowing the company to effectively compete for larger projects and capture margins previously given to subcontractors.

With the acquisition of Grover Enterprises, Environmental Applications' estimated backlog for the next 12 months, including work for which the company has been selected but is not yet under contract, rose from approximately $7.8 million to approximately $11.5 million.

Grover Enterprises, Inc. operates out of offices in Massachusetts and New Hampshire, and has an equipment inventory of over 40 earth-moving machines. Grover Enterprises will focus primarily on the underground storage tank replacement market.

CONTACT: Anne Glanz of GZA GeoEnvironmental Technologies, Inc., (617) 969-0700.

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#90268p7793 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANCASTER, PA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Desco Industries, Inc., of Walnut, Calif., has purchased the assets of Charleswater Products, Inc., of West Newton, Mass., a subsidiary of Armstrong World Industries, Inc. (NYSE: ACK).

Both Desco and Charleswater have been engaged in serving electronic components manufacturers with products for the control of static electricity.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Armstrong acquired Charleswater Products in 1986. Virtually all of its employees are expected to continue their employment with Desco.

CONTACT: Eugene Moore of Armstrong World Industries, 717-396-2101

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#90268p7794 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Middle Market Group, L.P. announced today that it has completed the purchase of the investment banking operations known as The Middle Market Group from The Stamford Company, Inc. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

The new company is a partnership of the senior investment banking professionals of The Middle Market Group, Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc., and a private investor. It will continue to provide corporate finance services to the middle market. The Middle Market Group was formerly a joint venture of The Stamford Company and Shearson Lehman Brothers.

The management partners include Arnold S. Hoffman, chairman, Peter J. Biche, Robert Dickey IV, Seth J. Lehr, Robert G. Levine and Thomas D. Pickens. The company is headquartered at 1700 Market St., Philadelphia, and will be relocating its New York City offices, currently at 335 Madison Ave., to new quarters shortly. The Middle Market Group has a total of 14 professionals.

The Middle Market Group's focus is domestic and international corporate finance, primarily in the areas of mergers & acquisitions and financings. Its strategy is to provide its middle market clients, both publicly and privately held, with both a broader range of capabilities than those typically provided by "boutique" firms and more senior level attention than is generally offered by larger institutions.

Hoffman noted that the management acquisition represents continuity for the firm and for its clients. "Most of us have been together as a unit since 1985

when we started the middle market investment banking group at Shearson Lehman Brothers to focus on the needs of companies with revenues generally between $15 million and $150 million," he explained. "This management acquisition reinforces our commitment to the middle market and our continued affiliation with Shearson Lehman Brothers.

"We are confident that we will provide a superior level of corporate finance advisory services to middle market companies in the year's to come," Hoffman concluded.

CONTACT: Martin Shenman of Shenman Communications, 914-471-3430, for The Middle Market Group

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#90268p7797 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHARDSON, TX (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - CONVEX Computer Corporation (NYSE: CNX) today announced a Tape Library Interface (TLI) connection that allows the company's C2 Series supercomputers to interconnect to the 4400 Automated Cartridge System (ACS) developed by Storage Technology Corporation (NYSE: STK) Louisville, Colo.

TLI combines block multiplexer channels and software for connecting to the 4400 ACS. The 4400 ACS consists of up to 16 interconnected library storage modules each of which contains approximately 6000 18- track cartridge tapes. This allows users to store and retrieve up to 19 terabytes (19,000 gigabytes) of data.

The StorageTek 4400 ACS interface consists of a control path and a data path. The control path begins with a connection from the CONVEX TLI to StorageTek's Library Control System, which translates the tape commands, and relays the instructions to the Library Control Unit of the appropriate 4400 ACS. This unit manages the robotic actions inside the Library Storage Module with an electromechanical robotic arm that identifies the external bar-coded label on a cartridge. The robotic arm pulls a selected tape cartridge and delivers it to an attached StorageTek 4480 tape drive or passes it to another Library Storage Module, allowing data to be available to the user in a matter of seconds.

The TLI product was developed through a software compatibility agreement between CONVEX and Storage Technology. It will be available for delivery in 1991.

Storage Technology Corporation manufactures, markets and services worldwide information storage and retrieval subsystems for high- performance computers.

CONVEX Computer Corporation, a leading supplier of supercomputers worldwide, was founded in 1982 to design, manufacture, market and service high

performance systems. The company markets its products primarily to scientific engineering and technical users throughout the world for a wide variety of applications in such areas as geophysical research, computational chemistry, computer-aided engineering, image processing, aerospace simulations and molecular biology. CONVEX has sold nearly 700 systems in 33 countries. The installed base now represents nearly half a billion dollars of cumulative revenues from more than 400 customers worldwide. The systems are sold and serviced through direct sales and an extensive distribution network.

CONTACT: Donna Burke, 214-497-4230, or Alison Peoples, 214-497-4226, both of CONVEX Computer Corporation.

-30- 2717

#90268p7800 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Crane Co. (NYSE: CR) announced today that it was considering distributing its defense businesses to its shareholders.

Fiscal 1989 aggregate net sales for the defense businesses, which consist of Crane's Resistoflex/Defense, Unidynamics/Phoenix and Crane Defense operating units, totaled approximately $77.6 million, representing approximately 5 percent of Crane's overall net sales of $1.5 billion.

Crane Co. is a diversified manufacturer of engineered industrial products, serving niche markets in aerospace, fluid handling, automatic merchandising and the construction industry. Crane's wholesale distribution business serves the building products market and industrial customers.

CONTACT: Crane Public Relations, 212-415-7237 or 212-415-7239.

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#90268p7802 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDMONTON, ALBERTA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Numac Oil & Gas Ltd. (Toronto: NMC) of Edmonton, Alberta, announces the completion of a Wabamun oil well, Numac PCP Tangent 3-19-80-23 W5M, in the Tangent area of the Peace River Arch. The well flowed clean 39 gravity oil at the rate of 783 barrels per day on a 16/64'' choke and will be placed on steady production of 300 barrels per day. The ownership in the well is Numac 50 percent and PanCanadian 50 percent.

CONTACT: William S. McGregor, president and CEO of Numac Oil & Gas Ltd., 403-423-1718.

-30- 711

#90268p7804 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Telephone and Data Systems Inc. (AMEX: TDS) announced today that it has proposed the exchange of TDS' interests in certain

cellular Rural Service Areas (RSAs) representing an aggregate of 2,458,000 population equivalents (the "RSA Interests") for 12,500,000 shares of United States Cellular Corp. (AMEX: USM) common stock. After the proposed exchange, TDS' ownership of USM common stock would be increased from 81.5 percent to approximately 87.1 percent.

Under the proposal, TDS would transfer the RSA Interests to USM in return for an aggregate of 12,500,000 shares of common stock of USM, consisting of 3,545,355 common shares and 8,954,645 Series A common shares (plus additional consideration to reimburse TDS for investments and expenditures in respect of the RSA Interests). If the transfer occurs as proposed, TDS would own, as of June 30, 1990, approximately 87.1 percent of the total outstanding common stock of USM and control more than 95 percent of the combined voting power of its common stock. As of June 30, 1990, TDS owned approximately 35 percent of the outstanding common shares and all of the outstanding Series A common shares of USM, constituting approximately 81.5 percent of the combined total of both classes of common stock and more than 95 percent of their combined voting power.

As a result of FCC-sponsored lotteries, TDS and certain of its affiliates (other than USM) hold or will soon become the holders of permits to construct cellular systems or licenses to operate cellular systems in a total of 29 RSAs in 17 states.

If the transfer occurs, USM will own or have the right to acquire cellular interests representing an aggregate of more than 12.1 million population equivalents in a total of 144 metropolitan and rural areas in 34 states.

The TDS proposal is subject to negotiation and has been referred to a previously established independent committee of the USM board of directors. The independent committee has retained Lazard Freres & Co. as its financial advisor. The proposed transaction is subject to approval by the independent committee of the USM board of directors and of the shareholders of USM, to definitive documentation and to compliance with regulatory requirements. The proposal was made by TDS in compliance with an agreement entered into with USM at the time of USM's initial public offering.

TDS is a diversified Chicago-based communications service company with established local telephone operations and developing cellular telephone and radio paging operations.

CONTACT: Murray Swanson, executive vice president-finance of TDS, 312-630-1900 (out-of-town media call collect)

-30- 2901

#90268p7805 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermet Corp. (NASDAQ: INMT) experienced a

contained fire yesterday in a section of the Rushville, Ind., foundry of its 60 percent-owned subsidiary INTAT Precision Inc., but damages are covered by both casualty and business interruption insurance.

"In light of our insurance coverage we do not expect any material adverse financial impact from the fire damage or interruption of operations," explained John D. Ernst, Intermet's secretary-treasurer.

He said the extent of the damage, which was confined to one holding furnace and surrounding equipment, was still being assessed, but that the preliminary review indicated that operations can be resumed within the next few days. All repair work should be completed within four to six weeks.

INTAT Precision Inc. is 40 percent-owned by Aisin Takaoka Inc. of Toyota City, Japan. Atlanta-based Intermet Corp. and its subsidiaries, with foundries in six states and three foreign countries, manufacture precision iron parts for automotive and industrial customers in North America, Europe and Asia. Intermet is the world's leading independent manufacturer of iron castings.

CONTACT: Carl I. Gable, vice chairman of Intermet, (404) 431-6000, or Janice J. Kuntz of Cameron Towey & Associates, (404) 392-4239, for Intermet.

-30- 1501

#90268p7808 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Centel Corp. (NYSE: CNT) announced today that Nancy R. McCabe has been named general manager-federal regulatory affairs effective immediately. In her new position, McCabe will be the company's principal liaison with the Federal Communications Commission, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and other federal regulatory agencies.

McCabe joined Centel in 1987 as assistant manager-government relations. Prior to Centel, she was a regulatory affairs associate with the National Food Processors Association. She is a 25-year resident of the Washington, D.C. area, and will continue to work out of Centel's Washington office in her new position.

"Mrs. McCabe has done an outstanding job of representing Centel and its views on regulatory matters," said David A. Bohmer, Centel's senior vice president-government relations. "Her new position, along with the recent appointment of Patricia Simmons as vice president-federal legislative affairs, signifies the importance the company places on its government relations efforts.

"The telecommunications industry is a key component in the economic growth of our nation, and the need for effective telecommunications policies continues to increase," Bohmer said. "The role of our Washington office is growing in

scope and importance as we work to meet the telecommunications challenges of the future."

McCabe is a graduate of Wilson College, Chambersburg, Pa. Chicago-based Centel Corp., which had 1990 revenues of $1.19 billion, provides local exchange telephone service through more than 1.6 million access lines in nine states; operates cellular communications franchises that serve nearly 150,000 access lines in 15 states, and supplies electric power to more than 136,000 customers in two states.

CONTACT: William K. White of Centel Corp., 312-399-2735.

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#90268p7810 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Endotronics, Inc., (NASDAQ: ENDO) today announced that it has been awarded a grant from the National Center for Research Resources of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). This five-year grant was awarded to Endotronics to establish a large-scale animal cell production service to support biomedical research.

Under the direction of Dr. Mark Hirschel, Endotronics' manager of research projects, a variety of customized services will be developed to provide large quantities of mammalian cells and secreted products to university biomedical scientists throughout the United States.

"This grant represents another positive step in making the new Endotronics a fully integrated supplier of bioprocessing products and services," said Richard E. Sakowicz, president and chief operating officer.

"We are extremely honored to receive this prestigious award. The establishment of a national cell culture center at Endotronics allows the company to strengthen its ties to the biomedical research community throughout the United States, leverage existing company resources and expand the application of our cell culture technology. The company would like to recognize the members of its scientific advisory board, who assisted in the development of the grant proposal," added Sakowicz.

The board members include: Chairman, Dr. Todd M. Schuster, professor of biophysics in the department of molecular and cell biology and the director of the University of Connecticut Biology Center; Dr. Harvey W. Blanch, professor in the department of chemical engineering at the University of California; and Dr. Ralph A. Reisfield, head of the division of tumor cell biology at the Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation.

Endotronics, Inc. is a Minneapolis-based company which supplies products and services for the processing of mammalian cells to biotechnology, pharmaceutical, diagnostic companies and research centers worldwide.

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#90268p7815 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Now there is an easier way for customers of The Peoples Natural Gas Co. to pay their gas bills, the company said today.

Beginning this month, Peoples' residential customers may elect to have their gas bill payments automatically deducted from their checking accounts using a new electronic system called "ZipCheck."

John R. Fellabom, treasurer for Peoples Gas, said ZipCheck makes it simple and convenient for customers to pay their gas bills, without writing checks or searching for postage stamps.

Fellabom noted that ZipCheck is absolutely free. There are no sign-up fees, and there is no charge per transaction.

He said that customers may choose the date when their gas bill payment should be made each month. The customer, Fellabom said, will receive billing notification at least 10 days before that date so that any questions about the bill can be resolved before the payment is withdrawn from the customer's banking account.

Customers may participate in the ZipCheck program regardless of where they bank.

Peoples Gas customers can sign up for ZipCheck by completing the authorization form enclosed in their gas bills or by visiting one of the local Peoples Gas offices, Fellabom said.

Customers with any questions about ZipCheck can call the toll-free telephone number at 1-800-762-2090.

Peoples Gas provides natural gas service to more than 329,000 residential, commercial and industrial customers in 16 southwestern Pennsylvania counties.

CONTACT: Elmore Lockley of Peoples Natural Gas, 412-497-6742.

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#90268p7816 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Norfolk Southern Corporation (NYSE: NSC) today announced the election of Admiral William J. Crowe Jr., the retired chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and distinguished naval officer, to its board of directors. His term will expire in 1991.

Admiral Crowe currently is University Professor of Geopolitics at the University of Oklahoma, and counselor at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington. He served two terms as JCS chairman under President Ronald Reagan, capping off a career in the Navy that spanned more than 45 years and included several important commands.

He is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and holds a masters degree from Stanford University and a Ph.D. in Politics from Princeton. Admiral Crowe also is a director of Pfizer, Merrill-Lynch and Texaco.

He and his wife reside in Alexandria, Virginia.

CONTACT: R.C. Fort, Assistant Vice President, 804-629-2714, or Don Piedmont, Director, 703-981-5407, Public Relations Department, both of Norfolk Southern Corporation

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#90268p7817 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, AZ (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Checker today introduced a statewide reclamation program for the collection and reprocessing of used motor oil.

According to Marc Graham, company spokesperson, the effort is focused on the return and recycling of used oil. "The program offers consumers an easy, clean, environmentally smart way to collect and return used motor oil to any of our stores." Added Graham, "We'll provide people with a simple oil drain and storage device that can be used and returned over and over again."

Graham said Checker has made an agreement with a local recycler to collect and transfer the oil for later reprocessing. One of the largest programs of its kind in the United States, the recycling effort provides individuals with a way to deal with a problem that is growing and poses severe environmental concerns.

According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), more than 1.3 billion gallons of used oil are generated annually. While some of that oil enters the reprocessing industry, more than 180 million gallons are dumped carelessly into the environment by home mechanics -- and the impact on the U.S. water system is frightening.

Sources estimate that used motor oil from one oil change can contaminated up to one million gallons of drinking water -- enough fresh water for 50 people during a year.

Graham said the program, which has been implemented in several states, will be introduced nationwide over the next 18 months.

CONTACT: Marc Graham of Checker, 602-265-9200

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#90268p7818 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

AMBLER, PA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Due to increasing costs of raw materials, energy, and transportation, Henkel Corp. announced today that its Cospha/CD Division increased prices effective Oct. 8, 1990, or as contract terms permit.

The increases are as follows: All Standapol(R) and Sulfotex(R) liquid and powder fatty alcohol sulfates, one to four cents/pound; ether sulfates, 1.5 to three cents/pound; betaines, 1.5 cents/pound; sulfosuccinates, two cents/pound; Standamid(R) alkanolamides, two cents/pound; Standamox(R) amine oxides, one cent/pound; Cetiol(R), Cutina(R), and Emerest(R) fatty acid esters three cents/pound; Deriphat(R) amphoterics, three to ten cents/pound. Other specialties were also increased by 1.5 to three cents/pound.

Additionally, Lanette(R) cetyl and stearyl off-schedule prices will increase by three cents/pound. It was further announced that lanolin products will change freight terms to FOB Hoboken, N.J., plant and lanolin derivatives, FOB Mauldin, S.C.

All orders shipped by Oct. 8 will be offered at old prices. Henkel Corp., the specialist in applied chemistry, provides the right chemicals and services to manufacturers in almost every industrial sector, to help them improve their products and ultimately serve consumers better.

Based in Gulph Mills, Pa., Henkel Corp. is the U.S. operating company of the Henkel Group, headquartered in Duesseldorf, and benefits from the parent company's worldwide resources in research, product and process development, and customer service. Worldwide, the Henkel Group has sales of about $7 billion.

CONTACT: Frank Wertalik of Henkel, (215) 628-1483.

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#90268p7819 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Ray B. Mundt, chairman and chief executive officer of Alco Standard Corporation (NYSE: ASN) of Valley Forge, Pa., has been elected chairman of the board of NOCOPI International, Inc. (OTC).

The announcement was made by Norman A. Gardner, president and chief executive.

Mundt recently acquired a 14 percent lock of the company's common stock from one of the company's founders, Michael P. Voticky, in a private transaction. Mundt also acquired an option to acquire Voticky's remaining 5.8 percent stake in the Company.

Gardner and Mundt announced that they had entered into a pooling arrangement to vote their shares in the corporation.

The company also announced that Richard Denman, formerly vice president-paper, Weyerhaeuser Paper Company and a director of Alberta Newsprint Company was elected a director of the company to replace Voticky who resigned from the board of directors and that Richard C. Gozon, president and chief executive officer and a director of Alco Standard Corporation, was appointed an advisor to the board of directors.

NOCOPI International, Inc. is a publicly traded U.S. Corporation which owns international patents to a process which protects confidential documents from unauthorized photocopying or faxing.

CONTACT: Ann Rennie of NOCOPI International, 416-928-6888; or in the U.S. toll free 800-387-2776

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#90268p7821 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANTON, OH (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Timken Company (NYSE: TKR) announced today that $170 million is being invested in Canton to advance its steel manufacturing facilities and to develop new steel business systems. The $170 million is part of the company's previously announced $1 billion, five-year capital investment program.

"This investment will enable us to strengthen our leadership position in the quality alloy steel bar markets," explained Joseph F. Toot, Jr., president, in making the announcement. "We shall be able to offer our customers better steel products in a more timely manner. In addition, the projects offer a very good return on investment.

"The $170 million program comprises several projects that will enhance our existing operation and improve our overall quality and competitiveness," Toot said. "The Steel Business Unit's ability to supply alloy seamless tubing and bar products with improved quality and cost is of great importance to not only our external steel customers but also to our own Bearing Business, which consumes approximately 25 percent of our steel products.

"These projects will make a strong contribution toward achieving the objectives of the Bearing Business as it completes its own investment strategy. Further announcements will be made as that work is completed.

"We are making this commitment in Canton because of the community's continued support of our endeavors to remain competitive in the marketplace," Toot explained. "We particularly appreciate the efforts of local government officials who listened to our concerns and then worked with us during our

analysis of the viability of such an investment. They are diligently progressing our requests for tax abatements locally along with employee training assistance. We expect to work out those details yet this week."

"In our Harrison Steel Plant, we plan to replace the existing bloom continuous caster with new casting equipment," Charles H. West, executive vice president - steel, explained in discussing the investment further. "Also, major modifications and improvements will be made to the small bar rolling mill, and bar finishing operations will be brought to a leadership position.

"Select investments will be at our Faircrest Steel Plant to accelerate productivity gains and advance its leadership position in the manufacture of high quality alloy steel products," West said. "The $170 million investment also focuses on new steel business systems, which have been designed to lead the marketplace in on-time delivery performance and communications with our customers."

CONTACT: James P. Mulder of The Timken Company, (216) 438-3570.

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#90268p7823 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

TRAINER, PA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Creating what will be among the largest radon analysis organizations in the world, EKS-RadTech, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Electro-Kinetic Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: EKSIA), announced today that it has purchased the assets of Douglas Martin & Associates, Inc., according to Jack Reilly, chairman and CEO of Electro-Kinetic Systems, Inc. The new entity will be known as DMA-RadTech, Inc.

In announcing the merger, Reilly explained, "Radon gas has become a very serious and deadly health problem in the United States. It is the second leading cause of lung cancer (smoking is first). The Surgeon General of the United States and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have both strongly recommended that all homes, regardless of location, be tested.

"In addition, new EPA standards for safe waterborne radon concentrations and the EPA Safe Drinking Water Act will demand testing of over 31,000 municipal water supplies throughout the country, and spark testing of over 13 million private wells, on a periodic, on-going basis.

"These expanding markets made it opportune for our two companies, which have provided non-competitive, complementary products and services in the field of radon testing, to merge our strengths and take advantage of this dramatically growing market."

EKS-RadTech, Inc. is considered a leader in the manufacture and marketing of both professional and home radon testing devices. EKS-RadTech products incorporate a unique filtration and humidity absorption system based on a

patented technology under an exclusive license from Brandeis University.

Douglas Martin & Associates, Inc., established in 1976 and located in Emmaus, Pa., is in the business of radiation and radon detection and analysis, mitigation, and professional consulting. The company has four operating groups: DMA Analysis Group, Martin Consulting, DMA Chemicals Group and DMA Infosystems. Clients include such major corporations as Honeywell and AT&T, as well as the state of Pennsylvania.

Commenting on the merger, Richard Martin, president of Douglas Martin & Associates, Inc. stated, "The merger of our two companies is a milestone for the industry. Through this merger, DMA-RadTech, Inc. will have the resources to aggressively enter and capture a significant share in the profitable areas of waterborne radon testing, large corporate and government contracts, and nuclear power plant testing for effluents."

CONTACT: Jack Reilly, CEO of Electro-Kinetic Systems, (215) 497-4660, or Robert P. Zimmerman of Zimmerman Public Relations, (516) 364-7634, for Electro-Kinetic Systems.

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#90268p7826 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

HEBER SPRINGS, AR (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Skil Corporation produced its 10 millionth circular saw from its facility here on Sept. 12. This milestone was accomplished in only 11 years, since the plant was opened in 1979. Local and state officials, including the Honorable Bill Clinton, governor of Arkansas, attended the celebrations.

Bob Tegarden, plant operations manager, presented the commemorative saw to Bill Davis, executive vice president, Emerson Electric Co. Emerson, located in St. Louis, Mo., is Skil's parent.

"Throughout its history, Skil has focused on building the best line of high-performance power tools in the world," said Davis. "Dedicated employees, loyal suppliers and customers have all contributed to our success, as evidenced by this accomplishment.

"Over the last 65 years the equity in the name Skilsaw(TM) has steadily increased," said Tom McKane, Skil's president. "Skil invented the circular saw, and it continues to be the standard by which circular saws are measured. The company has earned widespread brand recognition for its product quality and durability."

Edmond Michel and Joseph W. Sullivan founded the Skil Corporation in 1924 with the invention of Michel's power handsaw and the subsequent registration of the trademark "Skilsaw."

In 1979 Emerson Electric Company acquired Skil, consolidating domestic and foreign manufacturing of all Skilsaw circular saws within the Heber Springs plant. Following a multimillion-dollar capital investment, Skil manufactured the first "World Saw" to meet the requirements of domestic and global markets from one source in 1985. Skil continues to invest in areas of automation, quality, productivity and capacity to maintain market leadership.

Alice Mae Jo Hunt, Heber Springs mayor, proclaimed Sept. 9-15 "Skil Employee Appreciation Week." The proclamation recognizes employees' contributions to the company, and to the community of Heber Springs.

Skil Corporation is a manufacturer of portable electric power tools and accessories serving industrial, construction and consumer markets worldwide.

CONTACT: Leigh Wietsma of Juhl Agency, 219-271-5621, for Skil Corporation.

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#90268p7827 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are unit sales for the 10-day period, Sept. 11-20, for Lincoln-Mercury Division:

	Current	Year-ago
Grand Marquis	4,493	3,495
Cougar	2,025	3,341
Sable	2,382	2,789
Topaz	1,560	1,975
Tracer	1,711	1,576
Capri	401	---
Lincoln Town Car	2,857	2,614
Mark VII	477	382
Continental	1,495	1,275
XR4Ti	---	77
Scorpio	---	35
TOTAL	17,401	17,559

CONTACT: Edda LaFramboise of Lincoln-Mercury Division, 313-446-4368

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#90268p7829 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Marshall Turner, a venture capitalist and former public broadcasting station board chairman, was unanimously elected chairman, and Daniel Brenner, a lawyer and director of the Communications Law Program at the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA), was reelected vice chairman of the board of directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) at its annual meeting here today.

Turner is general partner of Taylor & Turner Associates, Ltd., a San Francisco -based firm he cofounded in 1981, which manages several venture capital investment partnerships that invest in new technology-related companies during their early development.

Turner was a member of the board of directors of KQED/KQEC-TV/FM, Inc., San Francisco, one of public broadcasting's largest outlets, for 10 years and was its chairman for two years in 1986 and 1987.

Turner was a White House Fellow, serving as special assistant to Elliot Richardson, secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, in 1970-71, and earlier, at the National Institutes of Health, co-designed a new implantable heart assist pump that won international recognition in the scientific and general press. He collaborated in a series of 29 surgical implants of the pump in calves and authored several articles about this work in medical and engineering publications.

Brenner is counsel to LeBoeuf, Lamb, Lieby & MacRae, a law firm with offices in the United States and Europe, teaches law at UCLA in addition to being director of the Communications Law Program, and is a senior fellow of the Annenberg Washington Program in Communication Studies of Northwestern University.

Before joining the faculty of UCLA in July 1986, Brenner was senior adviser to Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Chairman Mark Fowler. He also served as legal adviser to both Fowler and former FCC Chairman Charles Ferris. Brenner practiced law with Wilmer, Cutler and Pickering in Washington from 1977 to 1979 and clerked for Federal District Judge William Matthew Byrne Jr. in Los Angeles from 1976 to 1977.

Turner was appointed to the CPB board in June 1987 for a term that expires in March 1992 and is chairman of the board's Mission and Goals Committee. As chairman, he succeeds Ken Towery, a Pulitzer Prize- winning journalist and newspaper publisher of Austin, Texas, who became board chairman in February 1989 and was reelected in September 1989.

Brenner was appointed to a five-year term on the CPB board in October 1986 and was elected vice chairman of the board in September 1989.

CPB is a private, non-profit corporation that was authorized by the Public Broadcasting Act of 1967 to develop non-commercial radio and television services for the American people.

CONTACT: Joan Shaffer of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, 202-879-9687.

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#90268p7830 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Galveston-Houston Company (NYSE: GHX) today announced that Larry Smith has been named to its board of directors. Smith, a private investor, was formerly president of Coca-Cola Enterprises West, Los Angeles.

Galveston-Houston Company manufactures valve actuators and custom steel castings for the energy and other industrial markets and replacement wear parts and excavation buckets for the construction, mining and other earthmoving industries.

CONTACT: Wilfred M. Krenek or Pamela L. Reiland of Galveston- Houston Company 713-966-2500

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#90268p7832 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Apple Bancorp, Inc. (NYSE: APK) today announced that, as permitted under the company's shareholder rights plan, the board of directors has postponed from Sept. 25, 1990 to Oct. 3, 1990, the date on which rights under the plan will separate from shares of the company's common stock and be distributed.

CONTACT: Jerome R. McDougal, Jr., of Apple Bancorp, (212) 573-8014.

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#90268p7834 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Now under construction at its main plant in East Hartford, Pratt & Whitney's $30 million Material Distribution Center will help ensure that customers get their parts when they need them. On a routine basis, parts distribution cycle time will be reduced by more than 30 percent.

"One of our customer support goals is the elimination of parts-related work stoppages at the airlines,' said Sel Berson, president of Pratt & Whitney's Commercial Engine Business. "We've reached that goal with many customers and this new distribution center will help us in meeting the customer's needs even better," Berson added.

Computerized, the facility will centralize and automate the processing, storage and shipment of spare parts that commercial and military customers order to overhaul and maintain engines. The center also will handle finished parts used for the assembly of Pratt & Whitney's production engines.

Pratt & Whitney receives about 30,000 spare parts orders a month from over 430 airline, military and independent engine overhaul and maintenance facilities throughout the world.

Echoing Berson's comments was Don Mann, vice president of commercial spare parts. "The primary reason we're building the new distribution center is to further strengthen our customer support efforts," Mann said.

Scheduled for completion in mid-1992, the center will have two automated induction, storage and retrieval units controlled by an integrated computer system. One, for large engine parts, will have more than 8,000 pallet-storage locations. The small-parts system will contain some 19,000 openings. A 2,400-foot network of pallet, shipping, bin, and tote conveyors, plus ten automated guided vehicles, will connect the two systems to the parts receiving and distribution area.

Pratt & Whitney is a unit of United Technolgies Corporation (NYSE: UTX), located in Hartford, Conn.

CONTACT: Bob Goehring for Pratt & Whitney, (203) 565-2518.

-30- 2180

#90268p7836 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Interphase Corporation (NASDAQ: INPH) has signed a three-year OEM contract valued at $8 million with Motorola, Inc. (NYSE: MOT), Microcomputer division.

Under the terms of the contract, Motorola will purchase the Interphase V/SCSI 4210 Jaguar host bus adapter for use in its Delta Series systems products and its new MultiPersonal Computer (MPC) product line.

The Jaguar, an intelligent, high-performance SCSI (Small Computer System Interface) host bus adapter, controls peripherals for computer systems designed with the VMEbus architecture. VMEbus is the leading 32-bit open system bus and is used as the foundation for many of today's leading computer systems, workstations and minisupercomputers.

Motorola Microcomputer division, headquartered in Tempe, Ariz., designs and manufactures computer systems and boards based on the VMEbus standard architecture.

Interphase is the market leader for high-performance VME disk controllers and is also a major supplier of networking controllers for the VMEbus.

Motorola is one of the world's leading manufacturers of electronic equipment, systems and components produced for worldwide markets. Products include two-way radios, pagers, cellular telephone systems, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronic equipment, data communications and information processing and handling equipment.

Based in Dallas, Texas, Interphase Corporation is a leading manufacturer of high-performance mass storage and disk controllers for open systems. The company sells to computer manufacturers, VARs (Value Added Resellers), and end users through a worldwide sales network. Interphase was founded in 1974 and had its initial public offering of stock in 1984.

CONTACT: Mark Floyd of Interphase, 214-919-9000.

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#90268p7839 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Centerior Energy Corporation (NYSE: CX) declared today a quarterly dividend of $.40 per share on the company's common stock, the same as the previous quarter. The dividend will be paid on Nov. 15, 1990 to share owners of record at the close of business on Oct. 19, 1990.

The operating subsidiaries of Centerior Energy are The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (NYSE: CVX) and The Toledo Edison Company (NYSE: TED).

CONTACT: J. Lee Bailey of Centerior Energy, 216-447-3235; or 216-623-1060 after hours.

-30- 723

#90268p7841 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Four new Trevira(R) polyester fiber variants for nonwoven applications now are available from Hoechst Celanese Textile Fibers.

Two new variants, Types 183 and 283, are trademarked Celwet (TM) and are intended for what presently are rayon-dominated applications.

The other two new variants, Types 105 and 106, extend Hoechst Celanese's line of Celbond(R) bicomponent fibers for wet-lay end uses. Types 105 and 106 are for filtrations, sanitary products, wipes and medical and automotive applications.

Featuring a proprietary surface treatment, Celwet fibers produce nonwoven fabrics with high-wetting, high-wicking and outstanding absorbancy characteristics.

Those characteristics result from Celwet fibers' hydrophilic or water-friendly traits, as contrasted to the hydrophobic or water-resistant tendencies of most polyester fibers.

Fabrics of these fibers have absorption characteristics superior to standard polyester fabrics. Also, Celwet fibers are suitable alternatives to rayon in many uses, including blends, and are high-potential candidates for industrial,

personal wipes, hospital and medical, filtration and interlinings applications.

Type 183 is available currently as a high-tenacity, 1.5-denier-per-filament fiber for carding and thermal or resin bonding, as well as for hydro-entanglement. Type 283 is available as a standard tenacity, 3-denier-per-filament fiber for use when higher denier-per-filament fibers are needed.

Celbond bicomponent Types 105 and 106 short-cut fibers have a polyester core and a copolyolefin sheath. Both types are engineered for use in wet-lay processes.

Type 105 has a proprietary, adhesive-activated sheath, which forms an exceptionally strong bond when blended with a wide variety of polyester, glass pulp, rayon and polyolefin fiber products.

Type 106 Celbond bicomponent fiber has a polyester core and a copolyolefin sheath for use in 100 percent form.

Hoechst Celanese Textile Fibers is part of Hoechst Celanese Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Hoechst AG of West Germany, which has leading positions in chemicals, fibers, advanced materials and technologies and the life sciences.

CONTACT: Chester L. Caulder, 704-554-2025, or James P. Allen, 704-554-2224, both of Hoechst Celanese

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#90268p7843 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Rouse Company (NASDAQ: ROUS) announced that its board of directors, at its meeting today, elected a new member, Jeremiah E. Casey. Casey is currently chief executive-U.S.A. of Allied Irish Banks plc, and chairman of First Maryland Bancorp and its principal subsidiary, First National Bank of Maryland.

He is a career banker who was based in Ireland with Allied Irish Banks plc until 1977 when he moved to New York. In 1984 he moved to Baltimore, following a major investment by Allied Irish Banks in First Maryland Bancorp.

Casey was appointed chairman of both First Maryland Bancorp and First National Bank of Maryland in June of 1987, and he was appointed chief executive-U.S.A. of Allied Irish Banks plc in June of 1989. Casey is 50 years old, and lives in Baltimore with his wife and four children.

In an additional action, the board of directors named Mathias J. DeVito president of the company. DeVito, currently chairman and chief executive officer, will fill the vacancy created by the tragic death of the late president, Michael D. Spear, in a plane crash on Aug. 24, 1990.

DeVito had previously served as president of The Rouse Company from 1973 to 1986. He has been chief executive officer since 1979 and chairman of the board of directors since 1984.

CONTACT: David L. Tripp of Rouse Company, (301) 992-6546.

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#90268p7844 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUNT VALLEY, MD. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of PHH Corporation (NYSE: PHH) has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share on the company's common stock.

The dividend is payable Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 6, 1990, and is the same as that last paid in July 1990.

The current dividend represents the 124th consecutive quarterly dividend to be paid by the business services company.

The stock of PHH Corporation is traded on the New York, Toronto and London stock exchanges. PHH Corporation and its operating subsidiaries provide businesses worldwide with a broad range of integrated management services and cost control programs. For the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990, PHH reported net income from continuing operations of $57.3 million on revenues of $1.9 billion.

CONTACT: Eugene M. Truett (analysts), 301-771-2463, or Peter Brinch (press), 301-771-2519, both of PHH Corporation

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#90268p7845 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHAWNEE, OK (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Barton Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: BART) of Shawnee, Okla., today announced revenues and profits for the month of August and the first 11 months of fiscal year 1990.

For the month of August 1990, the company reported profits of $311,292 from revenues of $3,040,548. Year-to-date revenues are $27,790,233 with related profits of $3,336,863. Order intake for the month was strong in all individual operating units, highlighted by the performance of the Integrated Technology Systems Division. The division received separate orders during the month from two new customers for Pump-Off Plus automation units to be delivered and installed in the last quarter of calendar 1990. These orders are expected to be the start of a long term supplier-customer relationship between the two firms and Barton.

CONTACT: C. W. Earl Johnson or Victor L. Joyce of Barton Industries,

405-273-7660

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#90268p7846 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MAPLE GROVE, MN (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Network Technology Corporation (CNT) (NASDAQ: CMNT) today announced a series of extensions to its Channelink line of Extended Channel Networking products.

Channelink now provides high speed support for remote tape controllers, terminal control units and Front End Processors. These extensions broaden Channelink's ability to connect mainframes and peripherals by using a technology referred to by CNT as "Extended Channel Networking."

Channelink's support for remote tape controllers allows IBM 3480 and 3420 tape subsystems to communicate with hosts as if they were locally connected - regardless of the distance between the host and the tape facilities.

New aspects of this product include support for DS-3 communications links, substantial performance improvements and support for IDRC tape drives. These features improve use of the DS-3 bandwidth and sharing of tape facilities among multiple hosts.

The second area in which the connectivity of Channelink products has been extended is support for IBM 3174 terminal control units. Channelink enables the organization to connect a remotely located 3174 to the host channel.

Both the 3174 and the host treat the communication as if it were a local connection, even though there many be thousands of miles between the two. This approach allows the organization to improve user response time while sharing mainframe channels among several peripheral devices.

The third area where Channelink has been expanded is support for remote, channel attached Front End Processors (FEPs). Channelink provides a local channel connection for FEPs that are any distance from the host. By adding a FEP to a Channelink Extended Channel Network, CNT customers can provide locally connected response time for remote users while saving the hardware and software costs associated with FEP operation.

Computer Network Technology Corporation develops, manufactures, and markets the Channelink family of Extended Channel Networking systems. Channelink provides high-speed interconnection of mainframe computers, database computers and peripheral devices over unlimited distances. The company's common stock is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol CMNT.

CONTACT: Doug Anderson of Computer Network Technology, (612) 420-4466; or Marian Briggs or Nancy Johnson of Padilla Speer Beardsley, (612) 871-8877, for CNT.

-30- 2657
#90268p7854 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Flexible Bond Trust, Inc. (AMEX: FLX), a closed-end management investment company seeking total return through investments in income-producing securities with the potential for capital appreciation, today announced that the fund's board of directors has declared a dividend of $0.075 per share from net investment income. The dividend is payable on Oct. 19, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Oct. 5, 1990. The ex-dividend date is Oct. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: Frank Maresca, 212-713-2421, for the Flexible Bond Trust

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#90268p7856 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
HAMBURG, W.Germany (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The German publishing group Heinrich Bauer Verlag today reported that consolidated sales rose by 6.7 percent in 1989 to reach DM 2.139 billion. Press and media sales increased by 6.8 percent to reach DM 2.103 billion. International sales, the company said, rose 28.5 percent to DM 395 million.

Domestic growth, with only a 2.8 percent rise, was sluggish as expected. Since advertising revenues remained more or less stagnant, the sales growth achieved resulted from distribution.

In other international markets, the outstanding event of the year under review was the introduction of the women's magazine First For Women in the North American market. In the face of very strong competition, First For Women is now selling almost three million copies per issue. The magazine Women's World could also enhance its market position this year.

In the GDR, Heinrich Bauer said the company is trying to acquire several regional newspaper publishing enterprises with whom cooperation agreements have already been in effect since March 1990. To this end preliminary expenditures have been already made amounting to DM 60 million.

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CLARKSBURG, WV (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Alamco Inc. (AMEX: AXO) announced that Alamco has satisfied its remaining obligations with respect to the guarantee of partnership debt through the payment of $500,000 in cash to Alamco's primary bank lender and, in addition, Alamco has completed the

settlement of one pending investor lawsuit (Hill v. Alamco, et al.) and has partially settled another suit (Smith v. Alamco, et al.).

These settlements will not have a material adverse effect on Alamco's financial condition.

John L. Schwager, Alamco's president and chief executive officer, stated that the $500,000 debt guarantee payment in mid-September completely discharged Alamco's liability under its guarantee of partnership debt, which at the end of 1986 approached $27 million and which was reduced to $3,550,000 in November 1987 as part of an agreement with its primary bank lender. He also noted that settlement discussions are continuing on the two remaining investor lawsuits.

Alamco, headquartered in Clarksburg, W.Va., is an independent producer of gas and oil in the Appalachian Basin with a major operating concentration in West Virginia gas fields.

CONTACT: Jane Merandi of Alamco, 304-623-6671

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Contracts to install 120 miles of pipe in the Gulf of Mexico have been awarded to OPI International, the newly formed operating company of Offshore Pipelines, Inc. (OPI) (NYSE: OFP). These contracts bring the value of OPI's total domestic backlog to $45 million.

Construction of some of the pipelines began in early September, with the balance of the projects to begin later this month.

Transtex Gathering Systems, Inc. has contracted OPI International to install the first of three potential lines comprising a newly formed gas gathering system. OPI International will begin construction in late September on 40 miles of 12-inch pipeline from High Island Block A69 to High Island Block 109. The Transtex line is the longest ever to be built by OPI International.

Installation of a 21-mile, 10-inch pipeline for Conoco's Grand Isle project began earlier this month, while construction of Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line's 9.4-mile, 10-inch line in High Island and 12.2-mile, 16-inch line in Mustang Island are both scheduled for late September.

Hall Houston has contracted OPI International to build seven lines totaling 23.3 miles. Approximately 24 miles of pipeline have been contracted by other companies including Mobil, TEPCO, Union Exploration partners and Union Pacific Resources.

More than 400 hourly workers have been hired in the last 45 days by OPI International to help build the pipelines contracted for September startup and

to complete construction projects at the company's fabrication facility in Orange, Texas.

Richard R. Foreman, president and chief operating officer of OPI, underscored the significance of the new contracts. "These new contracts are good news for the Gulf Coast economy, Gulf Coast workers and OPI.

"Considering that OPI led the industry in 1989 by laying 183 miles of pipeline contracts totaling 120 miles are very important to us. We're also pleased that we're putting to work so quickly three of the construction vessels we purchased last month from Brown & Root."

On Aug. 17, 1990, OPI purchased 23 marine construction vessels from Brown & Root, International, Inc.

OPI operates one of the largest marine construction fleets in the world, capable of handling a full range of large-capacity and deep- water construction projects worldwide. OPI is an industry leader in laying marine pipelines; installing, salvaging and refurbishing offshore platforms; and fabricating offshore platforms and their component parts.

CONTACT: Richard R. Foreman, president of Offshore Pipelines, 713-952-1000, or Paul Babb of BABB/Houston, 713-622-4213, for Offshore Pipelines

-30- 2861

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READING, PA (SEPT. 25) PRNEWSWIRE - Robert W. Cardy today was named by the board of directors of Carpenter Technology Corp. (NYSE: CRS) as president and chief operating officer and a director of the corporation.

Cardy, currently executive vice president, assumes the post on Nov. 1. He will succeed Dr. Adolph J. Lena, who will reach age 65 in October and will be retiring from the president and chief operating officer position on Oct. 31.

The board also announced that Lena will retire as a director at the annual stockholders meeting on Oct. 30 but will maintain a part-time consulting relationship with the specialty metals manufacturer. He will report to Paul R. Roedel, chairman and chief executive officer.

Cardy was named executive vice president in October 1989. He served as vice president-sales and marketing from July 1987 until being named to that post.

He joined Carpenter in 1962 as a sales representative at the Dayton, Ohio, service center. He subsequently served as a sales representative in Dallas and then Tulsa, Okla., until 1969 when he was named branch manager at the Indianapolis branch. A year later, Cardy was named central district manager, Indianapolis. In 1973, he was named western district manager at Los Angeles.

In 1977, Cardy was promoted to general sales manager for the Carpenter Steel Division, then was elevated to Steel Division vice president-commercial in January 1979. He became vice president-commercial in 1982.

Lena was named president and chief operating officer in July 1987, having served as executive vice president since April 1986. He joined Carpenter as a consultant in 1985.

Lena came to Carpenter with 32 years of specialty metals experience. He had served in executive positions at both Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp. and AlTech Specialty Steel Corp. He is a past chairman of the Specialty Steel Industry of the United States. He also is a past chairman of the Pittsburgh Chapter, past national trustee, and past national secretary of the American Society of Metals.

CONTACT: Robert M. Holmes of Carpenter Technology, 215-371-2639.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. today announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska). The increase of $4.75/bbl was effective Monday, Sept. 24, at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$37.00 for West Texas Intermediate $35.00 for West Texas Sour
$37.00 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore)

New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E51. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90268p7865 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CUT BANK, MT (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - MSR Exploration Ltd., (AMEX, Toronto: MSR) an Alberta Public Company operating with head offices in Cut Bank, Montana, today announced that exploding world oil prices are having an extraordinary impact on its production revenues. Oil and gas revenues for the month of August 1990, alone, exceed production revenues received during the entire third quarter (three months) of 1989. During third quarter 1989, MSR received an average of some $16.75 per barrel - compared to an average of $24.00 per barrel for the month of August 1990.

In addition, the company, through its subsidiaries operating in the United

States, has drilled eight new (100 percent owned) successful wells. Four of these wells are in Texas, on the newly acquired OMNI oil and gas properties purchased during the second quarter of this year - along with four successful completions in northern Montana. A total of six of these wells have been completed for production, with two remaining to be completed - one in Texas and one in Montana. A total of 250 barrels per day of new production has been indicatd by early completion testing.

Additional drilling will continue on the company's Texas, Montana and North Dakota properties, during the next quarter, to take advantage of current W5 1/4h oil prices.

MSR Exploration Ltd. is listed on both the American Stock Exchange and The Toronto Stock Exchange under symbol ''MSR''.

CONTACT: J.V. Montalban, outgoing chairman of the board and CEO of MSR Exploration Ltd., 406-873-2235

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#90268p7866 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) today announced a family of products called Virtual Private Data Services (VPDS) which will eventually enable users to bring the power of supercomputers to the desktop. The first two members of that family, high-capacity Switched T1 and Switched T3 services, are slated for commercial availability in 1991.

"MCI is positioning itself as a catalyst for emerging advanced applications such as LAN networking, image transfer, disaster recovery and mainframe networking," said Don Heath, MCI's vice president of data marketing. "Our switched T1 and T3 services are only the beginning."

MCI is demonstrating the new capabilities with Cray Research, Inc. and IBM Corporation here at the Telecommunications Association's annual meeting. The demonstrations show how advanced services can be provided through short duration, high capacity, long distance connections between computing equipment.

Cray Research is demonstrating remote supercomputer access using MCI's switched T3 circuits to remotely access a Cray supercomputer in Minneapolis from a Sun workstation in San Diego. The supercomputer, running on an FDDI LAN in Cray's research facilities, will be connected by a Switched T3 circuit to the workstation for only as long as is required to run an application. The demonstration shows how switched wideband service can increase commercial, scientific and research productivity in the 1990's and beyond.

IBM Corporation is using MCI switched T1 circuits to demonstrate a variety of commercial applications which include LAN-to-LAN interconnection, image

transfer, and the sharing of widely separated computing facilities. IBM's applications demonstrate how switched T1 can effectively be used to increase computer productivity in a commercial environment.

T1 circuits, which are equivalent in capacity to 24 telephone lines, and T3, which is equal to 672 voice lines, are currently available only as dedicated circuits or with reserve services that require advance reservations.

"From CAD/CAM to industrial design, from financial modeling, product testing to automated ordering, businesses are relying on data processing more and more to survive," said Heath. "Computers today process at rates of billions of operations per second, but with existing dial-up services, can communicate at only thousands of bits each second. MCI is dedicated to breaking that communications bottleneck that prevents businesses from exploiting the true power of today's computers."

CONTACT: MCI Communications Corporation, Corporate News Bureau, 1-800-289-0073 or (202) 887-3000.

-30- 2875

#90268p7873 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Dorchester Hugoton Ltd. (NASDAQ: DHULZ), a Texas limited partnership, announced today that on Sept. 14, 1990, notice was given to Howard C. Wadsworth Inc. to effect its immediate removal as a general partner of the Partnership. Dorchester's general partners continue to manage and operate the Partnership pursuant to the provisions of its partnership agreement.

As previously reported, James E. Raley Inc. became a general partner of Dorchester by virtue of a merger with James A. Ford Inc., which was effective on Aug. 16, 1990. Preston Peak, president of P.A. Peak Inc., general partner of Dorchester, praised this change, stating, "James E. Raley, the president and sole shareholder of James E. Raley Inc., the successor in interest to the general partnership interest of James A. Ford Inc. brings to the Partnership valuable expertise in the natural gas industry. Since 1984, Mr. Raley has practiced as an engineering consultant and has dealt with natural gas operations, gas contract disputes, and natural gas litigation. He is a member of the Steering Committee of the Natural Gas Supply Association. Formerly, as the president of Dorchester Gas Producing Co., Mr. Raley had reponsibility for the operation of the properties now owned by the partnership."

After the change in general partner, Howard C. Wadsworth resigned as the general manager of Dorchester, effective Aug. 23, 1990. As a result, Dorchester made severance and related payments approximating $216,000 to Howard C. Wadsworth, or for his account, which will adversely affect the Partnership's earnings for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

In response to the notice of removal of Howard C. Wadsworth Inc. as a general partner, Howard C. Wadsworth and Howard C. Wadsworth Inc. filed suit in the 134th Judicial District Court of Dallas on Sept. 20, 1990, against Preston A. Peak, P.A. Peak Inc.; James E. Raley, James E. Raley Inc.; Dorchester Hugoton Ltd.; and Hugoton Nominee Inc. seeking to avoid such removal and, on Sept. 21, 1990, obtained a temporary restraining order prohibiting steps to remove Howard C. Wadsworth Inc. as general partner or to terminate insurance coverage for Wadsworth and his dependents. At this time, the general partners of Dorchester do not anticipate that such litigation will have a material adverse impact upon the Partnership.

Dorchester Hugoton Ltd., is a Dallas-based producer of natural gas and its depositary receipts are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol DHULZ.

CONTACT: Preston A. Peak of P.A. Peak Inc., 214-739-2002, for Dorchester Hugoton Ltd.

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#90268p7879 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CALIF. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of ICN Biomedicals Inc. (AMEX: BIM), yesterday declared a special one-time cash dividend of three and one-half cents a share on the corporation's common stock in addition to the regular quarterly cash dividend of three and one-half cents a share.

Both the special dividend and the regular dividend are payable Nov. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record Oct. 16, 1990.

ICN Biomedicals said the board declared the special dividend to recognize the continued growth and strong performance of the company.

For the first fiscal half of 1990, ICN Biomedicals reported net income of $4.7 million, or 42 cents a share, on sales of $68.3 million. That compared to net income of $2.5 million, or 23 cents a share, on sales of $27 million in the first six months of 1989.

The regular dividend of three and one-half cents equals 14 cents a share on an annualized basis.

ICN Biomedicals, listed on the American Stock Exchange, is a leading supplier to the world biotechnology and clinical diagnostic marketplace.

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#90268p7881 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Possis Corporation (NASDAQ: POSS) announced today its preliminary unaudited results for its fiscal year ended July 31, 1990. Total revenues were $19.1 million compared to $11.5 million a year ago. A profit of $.67 million or $.08 per share compares to a loss of $4 million or $.50 per share last year. FY 1990 sales and earnings results included a non-recurring net payment of $1.8 million from Ebara Corporation in conjunction with a licensing agreement on waterjet products for Japan and Southeast Asia.

Results show revenues up 66 percent over the preceding year. The sales increase is attributable to strong growth in all of its operating entities. Technical Services revenues increased from $7.8 million to $9.7 million for a 25 percent increase; waterjet equipment sales rose from $2 million to $5 million, a 150 percent increase; and medical product sales showed its first significant sales of $.5 million. Net payments on sale of heart valve patents increased 26 percent.

The company's annual report with audited figures is scheduled to be mailed to shareholders in early November.

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#90268p7884 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) and American National Can have signed an agreement to cooperate in a program that will encourage the recycling of rigid plastic bottles, such as syrup and multilayered ketchup bottles, and other types of plastic materials not now being widely recycled.

"Both companies have demonstrated that plastic containers can be recycled and manufactured into new bottles and many other useful products. This alliance between the leading packaging manufacturer and one of the leading plastics producers allows us to work together to accelerate the development of economical and useful end-markets," said Jean-Pierre Ergas, ANC chief executive officer.

"This partnering effort benefits everyone, including consumers," said Archie Dunham, Du Pont group vice president -- polymer products. "It adds other types of post-consumer plastic to the mix of those that can be recycled while providing quality resin to American National Can, a major producer of bottles."

The first demonstration of this cooperative development is expected to occur early next year in Chicago. Chicago was selected because of the existing facility of the Plastic Recycling Alliance, a joint venture between Du Pont and Waste Management Inc. (NYSE: WMX). The new agreement will involve the

joint development of plastic sorting technology through the PRA as well as the development of end-use markets for all grades of plastics.

PRA's recycling capability will be expanded from its current stream of polyethylene terephthalate (PET) soda bottles and high density polyethylene (HDPE) milk jugs and laundry detergent bottles.

The rigid multilayered plastics will be collected by Waste Management through its "Recycle America" curbside pickup program. PRA will process the collected plastic containers into a form for use in the joint development program between American National Can and Du Pont.

American National Can, based in Chicago, is a $4.3 billion multinational manufacturer and marketer of a broad line of metal, glass and plastic packaging products.

Du Pont, of Wilmington, is a diversified, multinational company with manufacturing and processing operations in 39 countries on six continents that had 1989 sales of $35.5 billion.

Headquartered in Oak Brook, Ill., Waste Management of North America, a subsidiary of Waste Management Inc., is the nation's largest provider of residential and commercial recycling collection services.

CONTACT: Pat Getter of Du Pont, 302-774-0863, or Carol A. Constantine of American National Can, 312-399-3786

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#90268p7889 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - George Konkol, chief operating officer and president of Optelecom Inc. (NASDAQ: OPTC), has announced that he will will retire effective when the company selects a replacement, the company said today.

Thereafter, Konkol will serve in the capacity of consultant for a period of time to be mutually agreed upon. The board of directors has formed a search committee which is actively reviewing candidates for the position.

CONTACT: William H. Culver, CEO, Optelecom Inc., (301) 840-2121.

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#90268p7897 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Signet Banking Corporation (NYSE: SBK) at its meeting on Sept. 25, 1990, declared a third quarter dividend on its outstanding shares of common stock amounting to approximately $10.3 million.

Robert M. Freeman, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the multi-bank, multi-state bank holding company, announced that a regular dividend of $.39 per share on the Corporation's outstanding common stock would be paid October 25, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business on October 5, 1990.

Signet Banking Corporation is a $12 billion organization with 237 full-service banking offices throughout Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia. It also offers investment services including municipal bond, government, federal agency and money market sales and trading, foreign exchange trading and discount brokerage, an international operation concentrating on trade finance, and specialized services for trust, leasing, asset based lending, cash management, real estate, insurance, consumer financing and investment banking.

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#90268p7901 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OHIO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir Express will significantly expand service at Dayton International Airport this fall. USAir Express, operated by Jetstream International of Dayton, will inaugurate non-stop service to Nashville, Tenn.; Roanoke, Va.; Cincinnati; Knoxville, Tenn.; and Fort Wayne, Ind., and increase existing non-stop service to Louisville, Ky. and Indianapolis.

Jetstream International, a wholly owned subsidiary of USAir Group, Inc. (NYSE: U), will provide the new service using 19-passenger Jetstream 31, pressurized, prop-jet aircraft.

On Oct. 1, USAir Express will inaugurate four daily roundtrip flights between Dayton and Cincinnati, as well as one daily roundtrip between Dayton and Fort Wayne.

Starting Nov. 1, USAir Express will begin four daily roundtrip flights between Dayton and Nashville, two daily roundtrip flights between Dayton and Roanoke and three daily roundtrip flights between Dayton and Knoxville.

Also on Nov. 1, USAir Express will improve the frequency of existing service from Dayton by adding one additional daily roundtrip between here and Indianapolis and two additional daily roundtrips to Louisville.

"USAir Express is pleased to add these new destination opportunities for Dayton area residents," said Keith D. Houk, president of Jetstream International. "All the new flight times have been scheduled to assure convenient connections with the approximately 10,000 seats USAir and USAir

Express offer daily from USAir's Dayton hub."

James R. Wood, director of Dayton International Airport, said that "this new service added by USAir Express is another example of USAir's efforts to build traffic at the Dayton hub. These new flights will bring in travelers who have not in the past connected through Dayton. The flights will also provide Dayton-area leisure and business travelers with service to additional destinations. We hope the community will support these flights."

By Nov. 1, USAir Express will offer 65 daily flights from Dayton International Airport, an increase from the Sept. 1 schedule of 48 USAir Express flights.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, 703-418-5100 or
213-417-1294 (Western Region)

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#90268p7903 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOBILE, AL (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Morrison Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MORR), at a meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 25, in Mobile, Ala., declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 16 cents per share, payable on Oct. 31 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 12.

The company on Sept. 1 operated 170 Family Dining units, 117 Ruby Tuesdays, 27 L&N Seafood Grills, and nine Silver Spoons. During the first quarter seven Ruby Tuesdays and two L&N Seafood Restaurants were opened.

At the annual shareholders' meeting held in Mobile, Ala., on Monday, Sept. 24, the shareholders elected E. Eugene Bishop, Arthur R. Outlaw and H. Manning McPhillips Jr. to serve three-year terms as directors.

Operating results for the first quarter ended Sept. 1 were announced. Revenues were $227 million as compared with $208 million the previous year. Net income was $4.95 million or 29 cents per share, as compared with $6.2 million or 36 cents per share last year.

Morrison Inc. was founded in 1920 and operates Morrison's Family Dining units, Morrison's Specialty Restaurants and Morrison's Custom Management Corp. (the contract feeding and management company).

CONTACT: Richard A. McGeoch of Morrison, (205) 344-3000.

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#90268p7904 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - American National Can (ANC) and Du Pont have signed an agreement to cooperate in a program that will encourage the recycling of rigid plastic bottles, such as syrup and multilayer ketchup

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CONTACT: Carol A. Constantine of American National Can, (312) 399-3786, or Pat Getter of Du Pont, (302) 774-0863.

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#90268p7905 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Multipress Division of Consolidated American Industries, Inc. today announced a joint agreement with Wes-Tech Automation Systems under which Multipress will market automated small press systems built on modular Tech-Trak conveyor platforms developed by Wes-Tech. The announcement was made at Assembly Technology Expo, held at O'Hare Expo Center.

Multipress, headquartered in Columbus, is the largest U.S. manufacturer of small hydraulic "C"-frame bench presses and other equipment. Wes-Tech, based in Buffalo Grove, Ill., custom designs automated assembly systems using its proprietary Tech-Trak conveyor system.

"There is a strong demand for automated press operations that incorporate such functions as product testing, quality control and statistical process control " said David Greene Lilly, president of Consolidated.

Multipress presses are widely used in the automotive, appliance and electrical industries for such operations as forming, staking, riveting, swaging and assembly. Multipress was also the first press design to be approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for food-processing use. More than 50,000 Multipress units are now in use world wide.

Working with Wes-Tech, Multipress will be able to combine robotics, vision inspection and other advanced technologies in a single turnkey system, Lilly said.

Wes-Tech and Multipress have already worked together to develop a $2-1/2 million assembly system for precision automotive components. This thirty-station system includes three Multipress Model MP-1.5 bench presses and 250 feet of a new design Tech-Trak HSI (high speed index) conveyor.

According to Robert J. Weskamp, president of Wes-Tech, the new assembly system will produce a completed part every 1.7 seconds, while a conventional system would have required 3 to 4 seconds per part.

"This is a significant accomplishment for a system of this kind," said Weskamp. "But it is only the beginning of what we expect to do together with Multipress."

CONTACT: D.J. Calvin, vice president, or Stephen Springer, 614-228-0185, both of Consolidated Industries, Inc.; or Richard Gilchrist, vice president, sales/marketing of Wes-Tech Automation Systems, 708-541-5070.

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#90268p7906 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Logicon Inc. (NYSE: LGN) announced today that its board of directors has continued the authorization to repurchase shares of the company's common stock in open market transactions.

The company said that it may repurchase up to 500,000 shares beyond those shares already acquired under the program.

The company reiterated its strong belief in the long-term value of the shares. The closing price per share on Sept. 21, 1990, was $15.125. There are approximately 4.0 million shares of Logicon common stock outstanding.

Logicon is a leader in providing advanced technology systems and services to support national security, civil and industrial needs.

CONTACT: John C. Tuffy of Logicon, 213-373-0220

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#90268p7907 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Division today reported the following 10-day sales figures:

	Period		Month-to-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Selling days	9	9	16	16
Ford	4,248	3,195	7,209	5,292
Thunderbird	2,568	4,009	4,205	6,663
Taurus	7,836	8,930	13,134	14,547
Tempo	5,208	5,980	9,162	9,674
Escort	10,563	9,495	17,749	15,805
Festiva	1,483	2,144	2,658	3,624
Mustang	2,948	3,658	5,303	6,285
Probe	1,884	3,633	3,001	5,800
Total cars	36,738	41,044	62,421	67,690
Bronco	1,118	2,076	2,014	3,318
Bronco II/Expl	6,432	3,698	10,670	5,965
Club Wagon	490	632	818	967
Van	4,139	5,413	6,925	8,263
Aerostar	3,925	5,115	6,775	8,386
Ranger	8,647	8,458	15,389	13,542
F-Series	13,999	16,699	23,730	26,674
Heavy	1,390	1,115	2,490	1,927
Total trucks	40,140	43,206	68,811	69,042

	CYTD	
	1990	1989
Selling days	222	221
Ford	83,488	84,983
Thunderbird	77,249	93,287
Taurus	230,930	260,313
Tempo	161,325	166,341
Escort	206,181	256,645

Festiva	42,035	53,381
Mustang	92,535	132,067
Probe	89,987	102,877
Total cars	983,730	1,149,894
Bronco	38,047	44,961
Bronco II/Expl	117,305	79,132
Club Wagon	15,517	18,908
Van	113,786	127,765
Aerostar	134,901	145,048
Ranger	212,946	203,756
F-Series	404,729	430,239
Heavy	34,793	43,403
Total trucks	1,072,024	1,093,212

CONTACT: Mike Parris of Ford Division, 313-446-7770

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#90268p7909 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Although the Persian Gulf region lies some 9,000 miles from this Central Florida city, Anheuser- Busch has taken the first step to provide thirsty U.S. troops over there with Tampa-brewed O'Doul's.

"We've worked overtime to brew and package this gift," said Renaul Abel, plant manager of the company's Tampa brewery. "Now, it's on its way."

Anheuser-Busch announced earlier this month that it was donating 22,000 cases of O'Doul's non-alcoholic brew to U.S. military personnel serving in the Persian Gulf region.

This morning, a convoy of ten tractor trailers loaded with the full shipment of O'Doul's pulled out of the Anheuser-Busch complex in Tampa en route to Charleston, S.C. It will be loaded onto "The Achiever," a cargo ship, at the Port of Charleston and transported to American troops taking part in Operation Desert Shield.

Among those who worked to make it happen is Corbett Caldwell, a Tampa brewery employee whose son, David, is serving in Saudi Arabia with the 101st Airborne Division.

"This was a labor of love for all of us," Caldwell said. "As a company and as ordinary Americans, we enjoyed pitching in to get it done right and done on time. And of course I'm hoping that at least one cold can of O'Doul's -- which I helped package here in Tampa -- ends up in my son's hands in the desert."

Caldwell was among several dozen brewery employees who took part in a brief

ceremony just before the trucks left the Tampa brewery and headed north on Highway 75 for Charleston.

"We always take a lot of pride in our work," said Abel, the brewery's plant manager. "But we take special pride when we consider that this shipment is going to American men and women who answered the call and who're doing a very tough job in a very faraway place."

The St. Louis-based company decided to donate a total of 22,000 cases (528,000 cans, or the equivalence of 1,600 barrels) of O'Doul's non-alcoholic brew to American troops after reading a news report quoting a reportedly hot and thirsty tank crewman who urged Anheuser- Busch to "send in the Budweiser plane."

However, due to religious and governmental restrictions, alcoholic beverages cannot be distributed in Saudi Arabia.

The O'Doul's shipment of 230 pallets is expected to arrive in the Middle East in October, officials said, and will be distributed to U.S. troops serving in the desert, aboard ship and elsewhere.

"And when it arrives," Abel said, "we hope that our troops understand that along with O'Doul's, we're also sending our best wishes for success and for a rapid and safe return home."

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OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of an ongoing program to strengthen its marketing operations, Kerr-McGee Refining Corp. plans to sell company-operated retail properties in the southeastern United States. The sale of these properties will enable the company to concentrate its retail marketing efforts in the Midwest and certain Texas markets, where its brand presence is strongest.

Kerr-McGee is soliciting bids for 95 properties, including 52 operating stations, 31 closed stations and 12 undeveloped sites, located in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee.

Funds generated from the sales will be used to build and acquire additional retail units in the company's primary branded marketing area, where Kerr-McGee continues to emphasize both its branded wholesale and retail operations.

Kerr-McGee and its Triangle Division will continue to aggressively expand unbranded wholesale operations in the Southeast and all other states where the

company currently markets wholesale petroleum products.

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DENVER (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Public Service Co. of Colorado's (NYSE: PSR) board of directors, today, declared quarterly dividends on all outstanding common and preferred stock.

The board declared a 50 cent per share dividend on common stock, payable Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 12, 1990. The dividend is the same as the previous quarter.

Regular quarterly dividends on all series of cumulative preferred stock have been declared payable Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 9, 1990.

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#90268p7914 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

STRATFORD, CONN. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The new and highly affordable Pitney Bowes Model 9100 facsimile system features revolutionary inkjet printer technology which allows for noiseless operation and crisp, clear image on plain paper at low cost and easy maintenance.

"We have taken a proven technology utilized by the computer industry for years and applied it to fax. The result is a highly reliable, cost-effective, "true" plain paper machine that delivers superb copy quality. The print mechanism in the Model 9100 is the same found in the more than one million inkjet printers installed around the world," according to Meredith Fischer, vice president, marketing, Pitney Bowes Facsimile Division. "The 9100 responds to our customers' call for a fax with advanced convenience features, plain paper printing, and a reasonable price. We believe it will make a significant impact on the fax industry."

The Model 9100 features extra-fine, 300 x 300 dpi/11.8 x 11.8 dpmm, printing and scanning. This, combined with plain paper printing and CCITT error correction, ensures clear transmission of fine print copy, detailed drawings and halftones.

A natural replacement for thermal fax in smaller businesses, branch offices or incremental "department" machines, the Model 9100 is equipped with many memory functions designed to save time and provide hassle-free service.
Multi-station transmission enables the transmission of the same document to as many as 100 stations sequentially. Specific documents also can be sent

selectively to different destinations. In case of line failure, memory feature redials and retransmits from the page where disconnection occurred. In addition to a standard memory capacity of 12 pages, the 9100 can be configured with optional memory of 42, 72 and 132 pages.

"Saving time and money is critical in business today -- that's why the Model 9100 is designed to transmit and receive letter size originals in as little as 12 seconds," Fischer said.

Fischer also noted that the Model 9100 is equipped with diagnostic software which allows engineers in Pitney Bowes Diagnostic Centers around the world to identify and correct 70 percent of all problems over the telephone. "The customer's business can resume almost immediately, without having to wait for a service tech." If, however, on site service is required, the company provides a 4 hour service response through over 6,000 Pitney Bowes technicians in locations worldwide.

The Model 9100 is compact, 17.8" x 15" x 9.1" (w x d x h), and weights 26 lbs. (12kg) and is available through a variety of financial terms, including Pitney Bowes rental.

Pitney Bowes, Inc. (NYSE: PBI) is a $2.9 billion, multinational manufacturing and marketing company that provides mailing, shipping, copying, dictating, facsimile and retail systems, as well as business supplies and services, and product financing.

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#90268p7915 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Future Communications Inc., (NASDAQ: FCMI) today announced earnings for its three and nine months periods ended July 31, 1990.

For the third quarter ended July 31, 1990, net income increased 61 percent to $324,649, from the $202,168 earned during the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended July 31, 1990, net income was $820,364, compared to $704,150 the previous year. This represents a 17 percent increase in net income for the first nine months of operations.

Earnings per share for the 1990 periods were $0.081 for the third quarter and $0.205 for the nine months on 4 million shares outstanding; compared to $0.060 for the 1989 third quarter and $0.21 for the nine months on 3,345,298 shares outstanding.

Sales for the 1990 third quarter were $636,667, compared to $548,881 for 1989,

and for the current nine months were $1,553,054, compared to $2,386,533 for the previous year's period.

Commenting on the interim results, Sergio Bosco, president and chief executive officer, stated, "The improved earnings, higher margins and superior balance sheet ratios including working capital, were anticipated. They are positive proof of the benefits to be derived from our three faceted business plan." The divestiture of cable system operating responsibility and overhead in exchange for a fixed revenue interest; maximizing of revenues from sales of the company's net vast library of programming; and cable system acquisition, construction and sale.

Future Communications is engaged in the development, implementation, marketing and sales of innovative nostagic programming; the development, acquisition and sale of SMATV cable systems; and the furnishing of specialized telecommunications consulting services.

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#90268p7916 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, CONN. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Hydraulic Company (NYSE: THC) today declared a third quarter dividend of 40 cents per share on the outstanding common stock of THC, payable Oct. 30, 1990 to stockholders of record Oct. 11.

This quarterly dividend continues the record of THC and its predecessor company of uninterrupted payments of dividend since 1890.

THC is a diversified corporation whose core business is public water supply. THC also is engaged in non-utility enterprises, including diversified water management services, forest products, electricity cogeneration, and real estate.

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#90268p7920 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Effective yesterday, Moody's Investors Service assigned ratings to four tax anticipation note issues for Maricopa County school districts, the first school district note sales in the state. Three school districts received Moody's highest ranking of "MIG 1": Phoenix Union High School District No. 210, Paradise Valley Unified School District No. 69 and Deer Valley Unified School District No. 97. Cartwright Elementary School District No. 83 notes were assigned a "MIG 2". The current offerings,

which were negotiated on Sept. 24, are part of the Maricopa County Arizona School District Tax Anticipation Note Financing Program.

Moody's said, "The three 'MIG 1' ratings reflects the districts' reasonable cash flow projections, modest level of borrowing and generally early segregation of funds for note repayment. The 'MIG 2' rating for the Cartwright Elementary School District reflects that district's tighter financial operations and the later segregation of funds."

Recent legislation in Arizona allows school districts to issue TANs provided that the principal amount does not exceed 90 percent of the total year's tax collections for operations. The current offerings are expected to lower interest costs for the issuing districts and will reduce the districts' reliance on warrants for cash flow purposes.

The debt affected by the ratings includes $7.8 million for Phoenix Union High School District No. 210, $5.05 million for Paradise Valley Unified School District No. 69, $2.6 million for Deer Valley Unified School District No. 97, and $2.4 million for Cartwright Elementary School District No. 83.

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#90268p7921 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, Mich. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Inacomp Computer Centers, Inc. (NASDAQ: INAC) today announced the signing of an agreement with US Integrated Technologies (USIT), marking the end of an extensive search for a high-quality inexpensive compatible PC manufacturer. The agreement could signify major expansion opportunities for Inacomp through its new dealer programs, TeamWorks.

Inacomp, which recently closed its year with revenues over $500 million, will become the primary distribution arm for USIT products in all computer channels.

Inacomp is adopting the USIT personal computer product line as its dominant entrant in the low-cost, compatible market. Rick Inatome, Inacomp president and CEO stated, "We are very excited about our partnership with USIT. This product line will permit us to expand into new market segments, and will provide out TeamWorks franchisees and resellers with additional opportunities." TeamWorks is Inacomp's recently announced dealer program which offers a variety of options to meet resellers' needs.

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"Rick Inatome and I were both looking for a relationship in which vendors and resellers become partners in solution-oriented selling and niche markets," continued Hsiao.

Inatome agreed. "This partnership will give us the ability to provide other solutions to niche markets and end users. To remain competitive, the Inacomp network needs a variety of products to offer their customers," Inatome said.

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"We spent many months looking for an inexpensive compatible manufacturer who met our standards for high quality and could meet our strategic goals for expanding into new markets through our TeamWorks program," Inatome said. "The fact that USIT is an American company whose products qualify under the 'Buy America' Act was important to us and to the government contracts we are currently pursuing. Another winning factor is that USIT boards incorporate surface-mount technology, a known contributor to product dependability and reliability."

Inatome explained that the original list of potential vendors began with over 15 candidates. "We wanted to be sure that we continued in the Inacomp tradition of providing customers with the very best in products and services. We feel we have met that goal with USIT."

Inatome further stated that the long search and the ultimate signing of the agreement was a strategic decision to address the anticipated period of leveling growth and continued margin pressure.

Inacomp Computer Centers, Inc. markets microcomputer systems and related products and services through over 230 company-owned, franchised and affiliate locations across the country. Corporate offices are in Troy.

USIT is the American manufacturing facility for Universal Scientific Industrial Co. (USI), a 14-year-old company well known for its pioneering developments in hybrid and surface-mount technology. USI's many customers include IBM, Wang, ITT, General Motors, Ford and Chrysler.

Since its founding in the winter of 1989, USIT has realized dramatic growth through independent computer resellers and large OEMs. The company currently ships in excess of 15,000 computers per month. USIT is located in Richmond, Calif.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Despite generally declining sales in the beverage alcohol industry, Bacardi Breezer, a recently introduced line of low-alcohol, rum-based refreshers, has bucked market trends and leaped from its 49th place ranking, when launched nationally earlier this year, to fifth place and climbing, among all spirit-based beverages sold in the country, today announced Bacardi Imports, Inc.

"In the mid-1980s, when Bacardi Breezer was in development, we wanted to better, different and profitable," remembers Alfredo Piedra, senior brand manager for Bacardi Breezer.

Bacardi Breezer handily met Piedra's objectives. Sales were 35-40 percent ahead of projections during 1988 and 1989 when the product was available in only 23 percent of the country. In addition, despite varying distribution channels state-by-state and changing consumer drinking habits, both retailer and consumer response was extremely favorable.

The situation became even rosier in 1989, when 755,000 cases of Bacardi

Breezer were sold in the 10 states in which it was available -- 250,000 cases more than anticipated.

Bacardi Breezer began full-scale, nationwide distribution in April 1990. "We are looking at selling well over four million cases in 1990," projects William Tovell, vice president of sales at Bacardi Imports. "Other brands generally expect to sell only a few hundred thousand cases of a new label in its first year."

"When we started developing Bacardi Breezer," explains Juan Grau, president of Bacardi Imports, "we noticed that low-alcohol beverages, including wine coolers, were strong. But, not wanting to participate in the increasingly crowded wine cooler category, we virtually created our own, with a rum-based refresher able to compete against all low-alcohol beverages, including beer and wine."

Other factors contributing to Bacardi Breezer's success so soon after exiting the starting gate, according to Grau, are its great- tasting flavor and packaging, as well as its superior top-shelf, premium image.

Bacardi Imports, Inc., based in Miami, is the sole marketer and distributor of Bacardi Rum, the nation's best-selling spirit since 1979, as well as Bacardi Breezer and Martini & Rossi sparkling wine and vermouths.

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#90268p7926 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Regional nonprofit health and human services agencies face growing demands on their resources, and the business community can provide important support for many of these agencies by redoubling efforts to assist this year's United Way of the Bay Area (UWBA) campaign, according to Jim Sullivan, vice chairman of San Francisco-based Chevron Corp.

As the UWBA's single largest source of funding for more than 20 years, Chevron has a long history of support for United Way. Chevron's combined employee, retiree and corporate contribution to United Way in 1989 was $4.3 million. The employee/retiree goal for 1990 is $2.68 million, and Chevron's corporate contribution will be tied to the increase in the average employee contribution. In recent years, Chevron's total gift has accounted for about 8 percent of UWBA's annual budget.

"Chevron has a long tradition of giving to United Way," said Sullivan, who also is a member of UWBA's board of directors and chair of the campaign Industry Group. "The organization makes a profound difference in the quality

of life in our community, and Chevron is committed to our leadership role in helping fund the programs of United Way's family of agencies," he said. "We hope our contributions will continue to grow and that there will be a broader base of support from all Bay Area companies and employees, in order to create a healthier community for everyone."

Approximately 65 percent of United Way's budget comes from employees in private companies, government, educational and nonprofit organizations. Corporate gifts account for 30 percent of pledges, and the remaining 5 percent of the budget comes from other donors.

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GERMANTOWN, Md. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Microlog Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MLOG) announced that an agreement has been reached between Microlog and Racal Recorders, Limited which provides for the granting of an exclusive license to Racal to market Microlog's voice-processing technology throughout Europe.

The final agreement is expected to include a license fee and a commitment by Racal to buy Microlog voice-processing products. "Microlog's versatile microcomputer-based technology gives Racal the flexibility to incorporate the voice platform on a variety of European-manufactured computers. This flexibility will speed acceptance of the product in Europe's various postal-telecommunications jurisdictions," commented Nigel Vaughan, Racal Recorders, Limited, marketing director.

J.G. Hartwell, chairman and chief executive officer of Microlog, stated, "With Racal Recorders' large customer base and marketing expertise, this agreement could prove very profitable for both companies."

Racal Recorders, Limited, headquartered in the United Kingdom, is one of the world's largest manufacturers and suppliers of professional recording equipment for the communications and instrumentation markets. The company is a unit of Racal Electronics, which has worldwide sales in excess of $3.25 billion.

Microlog Corporation designs, assembles, markets, and services voice processing systems with a variety of applications. The company also provides, through its subsidiaries Old Dominion Systems Incorporated of Maryland and Old Dominion Services, Inc., performance analysis and technical and administrative support services, primarily to a prime contractor to the U.S. Navy.

CONTACT: Ray Jicka, Investor Relations, Microlog Corporation, 301-356-8815.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc. (NCT) (NASDAQ: NCTI), today announced the signing of a joint development agreement with a major European aerospace manufacturer whose reputation for quality is known worldwide. The agreement calls for the two companies to develop systems for enhanced passenger comfort by quieting aircraft passenger compartments. The aerospace company will fund the development of the quiet cabin. NCT will use patented computer technology to actively (electrically) cancel unwanted noise in the passenger compartment. While the first system will be developed for passenger planes, future cabin quieting applications include helicopter cabins, military transport planes, automobiles and trucks. "This is a marvelous opportunity for NCT to expand its business into the substantial

aerospace industry," said John McCloy II, NCT chairman. "We anticipate significant revenue from the integration of our technology into aerospace and automotive passenger cabins."

"Because NCT's system is selective," explained McCloy, "only the offering noise is abated, leaving speech, music, hazard warnings and other desired sounds unaffected. In this way, we actually control sound rather than simply eliminate it allowing us to achieve the optimum level of comfort and safety for the air traveler."

The noisy aircraft cabin environment results in passenger discomfort and fatigue. NCT will use small microphones conveniently located in passenger seats to "listen" to the noise heard by passengers. NCT then will use its patented computer technology to analyze the structure of the noise wave and generate 'anti-noise,' a sound wave 180 degrees out of phase with the offending noise. The 'anti-noise,' projected via loud speakers, will effectively attenuate the offending noise leaving the passengers in a zone of quiet.

Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc. is a world leader in active noise and vibration abatement. NCT is headquartered in New York City with research and development facilities in Linthicum, Md., and a European base in Cambridge, U.K.

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#90268p7931 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMFIELD, Conn. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Kaman Corp. (NASDAQ: KAMNA) board of directors today declared a regular dividend of 11 cents per share on shares of Kaman common stock. The dividend will be paid on Oct. 22, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 8, 1990.

Kaman Corp. is a highly diversified Fortune 500 company with business activities in defense, industrial and commercial markets. The company had revenues of more than $800 million in 1989.

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#90268p7932 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

HEWLETT, N.Y. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Spurred on by significant deposit inflows that have enabled it to accumulate a substantial amount of cash to lend, Hewlett, N.Y.-based Anchor Savings Bank FSB (NASDAQ: ABKR) has launched

a major promotion -- "Year of the Loan."

Contrary to trends in the thrift industry as a whole, Anchor's deposits have jumped by more than 8.5 percent or $588.2 million from June 1989 to June 1990. According to financial data released after the first half of the year, the bank had $7.4 billion in deposits at its more than 120 branches in New York, New Jersey, Georgia and Florida.

"Anchor has renewed its commitment to provide financing for homes, automobiles and other consumer needs and will do so with rates that are extremely competitive and with unparalleled customer service," said Chairman and Chief Executive Officer James M. Large, Jr. "Anchor is back in the loan business in a big way and our goal is to earn a reputation as the metropolitan area's premier consumer loan bank."

Anchor's "Year of the Loan" promotion consists of television, radio and print advertising as well as point of sale material, including Chinese fortune cookies containing information on the bank's various loan products. Also included in the "Year of the Loan" promotion is a 500,000 piece direct mail campaign and a sweepstakes with two grand prizes of a seven-day trip for two to Hong Kong and $1,000 spending cash.

All of the "Year of the Loan" promotional material features "Sir Loans-A-Lot," a friendly looking dragon being portrayed in his new home, automobile, and other situations that are a direct result of financing provided by an Anchor loan or mortgage.

The television commercials and print ads to be used in conjunction with the promotion feature real Anchor employees. This is the second year of the highly successful campaign with the slogan "We're Your Anchor Bankers...Here for You." More than 200 Anchor Bankers from as far away as Florida and upstate New York paid their own transportation costs to New York City in June to audition for the 16 available roles.

The "Year of the Loan" promotion was unveiled at a cocktail reception held for Anchor employees at the Meadowlands Sheraton. Anchor officials noted that when it comes to loans, rates and customer service are the only factors that distinguish one bank from another.

"We want to include all Anchor Bankers in the promotion right from the start because its success or failure rests almost entirely on their shoulders. With the extraordinary talent and dedication of Anchor's staff, I have no doubt that the program will exceed even our highest expectations," said Large.

Increasing Anchor's loan business is a crucial component of the bank's plan to come into compliance with new federal capital standards within two years. The plan was recently approved by the Office of Thrift Supervision, the federal agency charged with overseeing the thrift industry bailout.

Anchor already has achieved several of the plan's major goals including the sale of some assets such as its mortgage subsidiary, Residential Funding Corporation; the sale of deposits at 18 of its Georgia branches; and a return to profitability. In the quarter ended June 30, Anchor reported net income of $40.9 million. Core profits which exclude one-time gains from the sale of assets totaled $1.9 million.

"Although we're not yet out of the woods, Anchor has taken enormous strides toward regaining its health. With all we have going for us, including one of the strongest franchises in the nation, excellent name recognition and one of the most qualified and dedicated staffs in the business, I'm extremely optimistic," concluded Large.

Anchor Savings Bank is among the 25 largest U.S. thrifts. It operates 122 branches in four market areas: 62 in metropolitan New York/New Jersey, 18 in upstate New York, 24 in Georgia and 18 in Florida.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthco International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLCO) announced today that its annual meeting of shareholders was this morning adjourned until Friday, Oct. 12. The Oct. 12 meeting will be held at 11:30 a.m., EDT, at the company's facilities in Westborough, Mass.

Healthco said that today's meeting was adjourned in order to allow time to disseminate revised proxy material to shareholders describing the term's of Healthco's settlement agreement with Gemini Partners, which was previously announced on Sept. 20.

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FAIRFAX, VA. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard F. Tucker, vice chairman of Mobil Corporation and president of Mobil Oil Corporation (NYSE: MOB), announced today that he has elected to retire on May 1, 1991, when his current three-year term as a Mobil Corporation director comes to an end. He will be 64 when he retires. Beginning Oct. 1, he will undertake a broad review of Mobil's changing business environment, according to Allen E. Murray, chairman and chief executive officer.

"In view of the turbulence and uncertainty facing our industry," Murray said,

"and given Mr. Tucker's plans, I felt this was the appropriate time to ask him to take on this study of the major changes that will influence Mobil's future direction." Murray cited the Middle East crisis, fast-changing events in Eastern Europe, growing environmental concerns, and the uncertain economic outlook as examples of external forces affecting the industry.

"Mr. Tucker will consult widely with government and industry leaders throughout our areas of operations to assure that we have the broadest possible access to informed views on the outlook for Mobil's core businesses," Murray said. "I feel certain that we will benefit immeasurably in the months ahead from his review."

To free Tucker for his new assignment, administrative responsibilities within his portfolio will be realigned on Oct. 1. P.J. Hoenmans, president, exploration and producing division, and E.A. Renna, president, marketing and refining division, will report to Murray. J. P. Keehan, vice president, Middle East, will report to Renna. W.A. Bork, vice president, sales and supply, and J.E. Crawford, vice president, research, engineering and environmental affairs, will continue to report to Tucker.

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TORRANCE, CA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc., today announced combined domestic Corolla and Camry sales of 8,319 (2,936 Corollas and 5,383 Camrys) for the second 10 days of September, compared to last year's figure of 5,445 (2,025 Corollas and 3,420 Camrys).

Toyota's calendar year-to-date domestic sales total 259,956 versus 141,956 sold a year ago.

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WALL, N.J. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The continued growth of all New Jersey Resources Corporation (NYSE: NJR) subsidiaries has been the key ingredient in NJR's financial success, company executives told a group of research analysts and institutional investors here today. NJR's excellent long-term financial prospects are reflected in a consistent dividend strategy that has resulted in 13 straight years of common stock dividend increases, NJR officials said.

NJR is the parent company for New Jersey Natural Gas Company (NJNG), Commercial Realty & Resources Corp. (CR&R), and NJR Energy Corporation (NJR

Energy).

NJR is committed to promoting growth in current earnings, cash flow and long-term asset values, company Chairman and Chief Executive Officer James T. Dolan Jr. told visitors to NJR's new corporate headquarters in Monmouth Shores Corporate Park. A focus on natural gas distribution, commercial real estate development and natural gas and oil exploration and production activities has been directed toward the enhancement in the value of the company's common stock.

NJNG, NJR's principal subsidiary, has achieved strong, though moderating, customer growth in 1990. In the past five years, NJNG has added nearly 70,000 new customers, increasing its customer base by almost 30 percent.

Expansion of the utility's rate base, which reflects this growth, along with an adequate percentage of common equity supporting the rate base, enhance the company's long-term earnings potential. NJNG's approved rate base has grown from $196 million to $333 million since July 1986. At the same time, NJNG's allowed common equity ratio has increased from 45.4 percent to 52.6 percent.

State regulators approved a $17.3 million, or six percent, increase in base rates for NJNG, effective March 26. On Aug. 7, NJNG filed another petition to increase base rates by $14.8 million because of higher operating, financing and capital construction costs associated with its growth.

NJR's non-utility subsidiaries have also realized progress in 1990. CR&R's level of developed space increased to more than 800,000 square feet with an occupancy rate of more than 95 percent, while NJR Energy increased its base of proved reserves of natural gas and oil to record levels for the fifth consecutive year.

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AUSTIN, TEXAS (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola's (NYSE: MOT) Microprocessor Products Group today announced that it is reducing the prices of the 16-, 20-, 25-, and 33 MHz members of its 88000 RISC (Reduced Instruction Set Computer) microprocessor family.

The 16 MHz version of the 88100 is now priced at $49 in 1,000 piece quantities. Executing 14 MIPS (million instructions per second), the 16 MHz 88100 reduces the cost of the 88000 family to as low as $3.50 per MIP. The 88100 MPU features the integration of both floating-point math and integer units on a single chip. According to Motorola, the lower cost of the 88000 makes RISC technology more affordable to a much broader base of applications.

Pricing was also released for the higher speed 20-, 25- and 33 MHz devices. The prices for 20-, 25-, and 33 MHz speeds is $75, $101 and $150 respectively, all in 1,000 piece quanitities.

The 88000 offers the highest integrated RISC solution available in volume production. In addition to the 88100 RISC MPU, Motorola offers the 88200 CMMU (cache and memory management unit). The 88200 incorporates 16Kbytes of high-speed cache memory, a cache controller and memory management unit on a single piece of silicon. A complete RISC solution can be designed with one 88100 MPU and two 88200 CMMUs (one as an instruction cache and the other as a data cache).

The 16 MHz version of the 88200 CMMU is priced at $87 in 1,000 piece quantities. A complete 88000 RISC solution with one MPU and two CMMUs is now available for $223. Pricing was also announced for the higher speed 88200 CMMUs. The price of the 88200 in 20-, 25-, and 33 MHz speeds are $116, $153 and $232, respectively, all in quantities of 1,000.

Motorola is now accepting orders at these new prices for delivery beginning Jan. 1, 1991.

The 88000 has been endorsed by more than 60 manufacturers that support a wide range of applications including high performance computers, workstations and networking products. These companies include Avalon, BBN, Data General, Dolphin Server Technology, Encore Computer, Force, Motorola Computer Systems Division, Norsk-Data Europe, Northern Telecom, Omron Tateisi Electronics, Opus Systems, Philips Data Systems, Plessey, Prometa, Quotron, Sanyo/Icon, Tadpole Technology, Tektronix, Thomson and Unisys.

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#90268p7949 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Spec's Music, Inc. (NASDAQ: SPEK) today announced financial results for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

Revenues for 1990 increased by 23 percent to $49,359,000 compared to $40,152,000 in the prior year. Same-store revenues increased by 4 percent during fiscal 1990. Net earnings, before change in accounting principles, decreased by 11 percent to $1,995,000 (37 cents per share) compared to $2,231,000 (41 cents per share) in fiscal 1989.

Revenues in the fourth quarter increased by 23 percent to $12,408,000 compared to $10,087,000 in 1989. During the fourth quarter, same-store revenues increased by 3 percent over the prior year. Net earnings were $320,000 (6

cents per share) compared to $425,000 (8 cents per share) in the prior year.

Spec's Music, Inc. is a publicly held company founded in 1948 by Martin W. Spector. The company is the largest specialty retailer in Florida of pre-recorded music and video products. The company currently operates 57 stores within Florida which sell cassettes, compact discs, video movies and a variety of related audio and video accessories. Forty-one of the company's stores also rent video movies.

SPEC'S MUSIC, INC.
Summary of Financial Results

	Fourth Quarter Ended July 31,		Year Ended July 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$12,408,000	$10,087,000	$49,359,000	$40,152,000
Net earnings	320,000	425,000	1,995,000	2,231,000(A)
Earnings per share	$0.06	$0.08	$0.37	$0.41(A)
Shares outstanding	5,364,000	5,154,000	5,436,000	5,154,000

(A) Net earnings are before the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principles of $206,000 (4 cents per share) in 1989.

CONTACT: Martin W. Spector, 305-661-3451, or Peter Blei, 305-592-7288, both of Spec's Music

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#90268p7950 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH WINDSOR, Conn. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - On Monday, Oct. 1, four established industrial distributors will officially join together to operate under one name: Cardinal Supply, Inc. Together they will continue a long tradition of serving northeast industry with strong local support, computer and technical knowledge and systems contracting savvy, Cardinal Supply announced today.

Martin B. Perry, president and CEO of Cardinal Supply will conduct a "ceremonial unveiling" for a small group of key customers, suppliers and the business media at 10:30 a.m. at the company's corporate headquarters in South Windsor, Conn. He will outline future plans and direction for the newly formed business, introduce the Cardinal management team, and unveil the new corporate identity to key customers, vendors and invited guests.

The four business units who are joining together are: Brian Supply of Providence, R.I.; Lindquist Supply of Bridgeport and Hartford, Conn.; Industrial Supply of Syracuse and Schenectady, N.Y. (formerly a division of Syracuse Supply Company) and Chase Parker & Woodis, a subsidiary of Brian

Supply located in Milford, Mass. All of these businesses have served northeast industry for more than 70 years, with three units having been in the business since the 1800s.

In 1989 Cardinal Industries of South Windsor, acquired these businesses in an effort to create a strong, regional supplier to northeast industry. (The trend in other parts of the U.S. has been toward large, regional distributorships.) In April 1990, Cardinal Industries announced the appointment of a separate management team to run the industrial supply operations, now dubbed Cardinal Supply, Inc.

Cardinal Supply, Inc. administers large systems contracts with GE, Texas Instruments, Raytheon, and other Fortune 500 manufacturers in the northeast. It also has on-site ordering systems -- computer links so customers can order supplies directly -- with Remington, Torrington, Bic Pen and many other northeast manufacturers. Through its six local facilities, Cardinal Supply offers these and other customers with a wide range of industrial products, equipment and services.

Cardinal Supply, Inc., sells industrial products, process control equipment, MRO supplies, pumps, compressors, power and hand tools, and perishable tooling to industry throughout the northeast. The company operates six stocking facilities in New England and upstate New York and has its corporate headquarters and main warehouse in South Windsor.

Cardinal Supply, Inc., is a wholly owned subsidiary of Cardinal Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: CDNI).

CONTACT: Martin B. Perry, president of Cardinal Supply, 203-289-1377

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#90268p7954 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

GARDENA, CA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - American Honda today reported second 10-day sales for its domestic built automobiles for the month of September.

	HONDA DIVISION	
	1990	1989
Domestic Total	13,364	11,033
Civic	4,171	4,346
Accord	9,193	6,687
Domestic Year-To-Date	351,133	280,332
Civic	146,488	123,954
Accord	204,645	156,378

CONTACT: Kurt Antonius of American Honda Motor Co. Inc., 213-604-2584.

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DETROIT (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors dealers in the United States today reported the following vehicle sales:

	Period		Month		Calendar Year(a)	
	Sept. 11-20		Sept. 1-20		Jan. 1-Sept. 20	
	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989 Total
Vehicles	157,033	173,478	265,615	282,634	3,746,558	3,903,370
Percent Change						
Per S/D	-9.5	---	-6.0	---	-4.0	---
Total						
Cars	104,819	111,213	178,888	180,492	2,484,020	2,626,570
Percent Change						
Per S/D	-5.7	---	-0.9	---	-5.4	---
Total						
Trucks	52,214	62,265	86,727	102,142	1,262,538	1,276,800
Percent Change						
Per S/D	-16.1	---	-15.1	---	-1.1	---

	Period		Month		Calendar Year	
Division	Sept. 11-20		Sept. 1-20		Jan. 1-Sept. 20	
Total						
Vehicles	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989
Chevrolet	81,170	85,003	134,787	140,187	2,006,926	2,032,813
Pontiac	21,052	21,947	39,269	34,711	504,712	521,478
Oldsmobile	19,179	23,079	31,233	38,167	398,530	466,239
Buick	16,430	19,747	29,253	30,494	387,848	408,285
Cadillac	9,001	9,167	13,975	14,943	186,334	191,868
GMC	10,201	14,535	17,098	24,132	262,208	282,687
Domestic Sales						
Cars	99,924	106,780	170,621	173,225	2,345,300	2,500,200
Lt. Duty						
Trucks	50,969	60,929	84,624	99,981	1,234,127	1,242,897

NOTE: Nine selling days (S/D) in the Sept. 11-20 period this year and last year. Sixteen selling days for the September period this year and last year.

(a) -- Year-to-year percent change is not adjusted for selling days.

CONTACT: Karen Longridge of General Motors Corporation, 313-556-2035

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#90268p7957 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, ID (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Boise Cascade Corp. (NYSE: BCC) announced today that it has declared a dividend on its convertible preferred stock and has revised its shareholder rights plan.

The company declared a regular semiannual dividend of $1.659375 per share on its Series D (ESOP) convertible preferred stock. The dividend is payable on Dec. 28 to preferred stock shareholders of record on Dec. 13.

The company also revised its shareholder rights plan in order to further enhance the ability of all shareholders to realize the long-term value of their investment in the company. The revised plan encourages a potential acquirer to negotiate with the board of directors earlier than was likely under the previous plan.

Under the revised plan, shareholder rights will become exercisable if a person or group acquires 15 percent of Boise Cascade's voting securities. Previously, under the provisions of the plan, the rights were not exercisable until a person or group acquired 20 percent of the company's voting securities.

In addition, the stock ownership threshold for triggering the plan's so-called flip-in provision has been lowered to 15 percent from 25 percent. In general, the flip-in provision describes a process and circumstances under which each right will entitle the holder of the right to acquire shares of Boise Cascade stock having a market value equal to twice the exercise price of the right.

Boise Cascade adopted its shareholder rights plan to better enable the company's board of directors to represent shareholder interests should the company become the target of coercive and unfair takeover tactics.

Boise Cascade Corp. is an integrated forest products company headquartered in Boise, Idaho, with operations located primarily in the United States and Canada. The company manufactures and distributes paper and paper products, office products, and building products and owns and manages timberland to support these operations.

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#90268p7963 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Transco Energy Co. (NYSE: E) today announced that its subsidiary, TEMCO Liquids Co., has purchased a 50-percent interest in the Cameron Meadows natural gas processing facility from OXY USA, Inc. The purchase price was not disclosed for competitive business reasons.

As joint owners, both companies will be major gas processors at the facility and OXY will continue as operator. Connections were recently completed between the plant and the North High Island Offshore System (North HIOS) and the U-T Offshore System (UTOS), two large offshore gathering systems.

Located in Johnsons Bayou, La., near Port Arthur, Texas, the plant's capacity

was recently expanded from 300 million cubic feet per day (MMcf/d) to 500 MMcf/d after the relocation of the Sea Robin II plant. All of the natural gas liquids produced at the Cameron Meadows plant will be separated at OXY's Lake Charles facility.

TEMCO's president, William H. Heil, said, "When added to other currently owned capacity, TEMCO is now one of the top 20 processors of natural gas liquids in the United States. TEMCO's ongoing transition to an equity participant in gas processing facilities indicates the company's growing commitment to its liquids business."

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#90268p7965 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE SUCCESS, NY (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Park Electrochemical Corp. (NYSE: PKE) today reported its second quarter performance.

Sales were $39,945,000 for the quarter which ended Aug. 26, 1990 as compared to $34,722,000 for the comparable quarter of last year. Earnings were $896,000 (18 cents per share) compared to $1,025,000 (20 cents per share) for last year's second quarter.

Jerry Shore, president, said, "We were pleased that sales for the second quarter were at record levels despite generally negative market trends. However, earnings continued under serious pressure.

"Even before the outbreak of the Iraqi-caused crisis, the signals were negative toward a market recovery this second half. It is this weakness that has put pressure on our earnings stream. The latest industry forecasts indicate 'recovery' by mid-1991."

Shore continued, "Nonetheless, we remain confident that we are investing in an industry that will regain its strength and our operations will emerge more dominant than they were prior to the present debacle."

Park Electrochemical Corp., through its subsidiaries, is primarily a manufacturer of advanced electronic circuit materials.

PARK ELECTROCHEMICAL CORP. (Unaudited, in thousands except per share)

	13 weeks ended		26 weeks ended	
	8/26/90	8/27/89	8/26/90	8/27/89
Sales	$39,945	$34,722	82,110	72,774
Net income	896	1,025	1,899	2,075
Shares outstanding	5,051	5,177	5,053	5,177
Earnings per share(A)	$.18	$.20	$.38	$.40

(A) - both primary and fully diluted.

CONTACT: Park Electrochemical public relations, (516) 354-4100.

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#90268p7966 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

OLD TOWN, ME (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Penobscot Shoe Company (AMEX: PSO) reported Tuesday that net sales for the third quarter ended Aug. 24, 1990, were $4,154,000, up 1 percent from $4,117,000 of the comparable period in 1989. A net loss of $88,000, or 6 cents per share, was incurred in the current quarter compared to a net profit of $78,000, or 5 cents per share, a year ago.

For the nine months year-to-date, net sales were $10,100,000, down 7 percent from $10,809,000 in 1989. Net losses year-to-date total $387,000, or 26 cents per share, compared to losses of $28,000, or 2 cents per share, last year.

The company's results continue to be poor as a result of the ongoing weakness of footwear retailing, with operations being further depressed by markdowns and selloffs of excess inventory. Although recent independent surveys indicate that TROTTERS are being well received by both retailers and consumers in the Comfort Casual and Comfort Dress Shoe categories, the company does not look for improvement within the current fiscal year. Recovery should by underway in 1991 with progress expected, but growing softness in the economy does give reason for caution as we approach the new year.

At a scheduled meeting of the board of directors held today the directors voted to pay a dividend of 5 cents per share on Dec. 14, 1990, to all stockholders of record Nov. 23, 1990.

CONTACT: Irving Kagan, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Penobscot Shoe Company, 207-827-4431

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#90268p7967 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - On Monday, Oct. 1, Air Canada becomes the first scheduled airline to ban smoking on all flights between North America and Europe.

The airline's move, which was announced in July, has received praise from various European and North American health-related groups, as well as from the United Nations' World Health Organization.

''Air Canada is pleased to have received support from such respected groups as the World Health Organization,'' said Leo Desrochers, the airline's executive vice president, marketing, sales and service. ''Such broad-based support for

our initiative will reinforce Air Canada's resolve to remain a world leader in promoting smoke-free flights to passengers.''

Air Canada becomes the first international airline to offer only nonsmoking seats on all its flights to European and North American destinations. In fact 99.8 percent of Air Canada's seats are entirely nonsmoking as of Oct. 1 -- the only exception being its flights from London to Bombay and Singapore.

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#90268p7971 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOCA RATON, FL (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Cascade International, Inc. (NASDAQ: KOSM) today reported record-high revenues and earnings for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. Net income increased 64 percent to $7,749,000 or 43 cents per share from $4,716,000 or 32 cents per share a year ago. Revenues more than doubled to $52.4 million vs. $25.7 million in fiscal 1989.

John T. Sirmans, executive vice president, said he is pleased with Cascade's continued profitable growth. He attributed the company's increased profits primarily to "strong performance in our cosmetics retailing business." Higher revenues reflect both steady growth in the core business and major store acquisitions made near the beginning of the 1990 fiscal year, he said.

"We have assimilated the year-ago acquisitions over the past fiscal year and now we begin our 1991 year with a major investment in a much larger retail chain," Sirmans commented. Sirmans was referring to Cascade's Aug. 14 announcement that it had purchased controlling stock interest in Conston Corporation.

Conston, presently in Chapter 11 federal bankruptcy proceedings, is a specialty retailer of women's clothing and accessories with approximately 260 stores operating as Famous Maid, 16 Plus and Charles'. In its latest fiscal year, Conston reported sales of approximately $170 million.

Cascade is a diversified holding company with operating subsidiaries, which retails women's apparel and cosmetics in each section of the apparel market.

Cascade's proprietary cosmetics are distributed under the Jean Cosmetics name. Its retail susbidiaries for women's apparel include JB's Boutiques, Boutiques Diana, Boutiques Allison, and the recently acquired Cricket Shop chain of Florida specialty stores offering sportswear and swimwear.

CONTACT: Kerrie Kane, director of investor relations of Cascade International, Inc., (407) 338-8278; or Earle B. Brown, president of Investor Relations Consultants, (813) 796-1452, for Cascade International, Inc.

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#90268p7977 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO, (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Amoco Corporation (NYSE: AN) board of directors today elected H. Laurance Fuller, 51, as chairman of the board and chief executive officer effective Feb. 27, 1991 with the retirement of chairman and chief executive officer Richard M. Morrow at age 65.

In addition to becoming chairman and CEO, Fuller will retain his current position as president of Amoco Corporation, a post he has held since 1983.

Also effective next February, Fuller will replace Morrow as chairman of the board's executive, contributions, salary, and nominating committees.

Prior to being elected president of Amoco in 1983, Fuller had served as executive vice president since 1981, the same year he was elected to Amoco's board of directors.

The native of Moline, Ill., joined Amoco in 1961 and has had assignments in engineering, law, refining, marketing, and supply. He became president of Amoco Oil Company, Amoco's petroleum refining, marketing, and transportation subsidiary, in 1978 after having been named executive vice president of Amoco Oil in 1977.

Fuller received a B.S. in chemical engineering from Cornell University and a law degree from Depaul University. He serves on the board of directors of The Chase Manhattan Corporation, The Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A., Abbott Laboratories, and The American Petroleum Institute. He also holds leadership positions with a number of civic, cultural, and education-related organizations.

Morrow has been chairman and CEO since 1983. He was elected president of Amoco Corporation in 1978 and a director of the company in 1976. He joined Amoco Production Company, another Amoco subsidiary, in 1948.

The West Virginia native received a B.S. in mining and petroleum engineering from Ohio State University. He is a director of First Chicago Corporation, The First National Bank of Chicago, Westinghouse Electric Corporation, R. R. Donnelley and Sons Company, Potlatch Corporation, and The American Petroleum Institute. Morrow also is active in numerous educational and civic endeavors.

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#90268p7979 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
BURLINGTON, MASS. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Ontologic, Inc. has introduced ONTOS Release 2.0, a significant upgrade of the company's second generation

object-oriented database product, ONTOS.

The upgrade offers several features that extend the capabilities of ONTOS, a full-featured, object-oriented database management system designed for interactive, network-based, data-intensive applications.

"Release 2.0 makes ONTOS the most advanced database available for distributed applications," said Seaforth M. Lyle, president of Ontologic. Like its predecessor, ONTOS R2.0 is available on multiple platforms including Sun 3, Sun 4/SPARC, Apollo, DEC Station, and OS/2.

ONTOS R2.0, which began shipping in September 1990, offers full support for multiple inheritance and C++ R2.0, as well as full data distribution across local area networks. Specialized transaction support for design applications has been further advanced with the new release.

Integrated into R2.0 is the graphical design tool which automatically generates C++ header files and database schema. Interactive database inspection and maintenance has been further simplified with the addition of a graphical browser.

Established in 1985, Ontologic, Inc. is headquartered in Burlington, Mass. The company is privately held and has sales offices in the United States and distributors in Europe, the United Kingdom and Australia.

For further information about ONTOS R2.0, contact Thomas Smither, vice president of sales and marketing, at Ontologic, Inc., Three Burlington Woods, Burlington, Mass. 01803. Telephone: 617-272-7110; Fax: 617-272-8101.

CONTACT: Seaforth M. Lyle, president of Ontologic, 617-272-7110; or R. Barry Chalfin of Chalfin Kostopoulos & Gilmore, 617-423-2096, for Ontologic

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#90268p7982 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MORRIS TOWNSHIP, NJ (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Aeroflot, the state airline of the Soviet Union, today announced that it will install collision avoidance systems from Allied-Signal Aerospace Company on new Airbus aircraft.

Paul Gralnick, president of Allied-Signal's Bendix/King Air Transport Avionics Division in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., said Aeroflot has selected the company's Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance System (TCAS) for five Airbus A310 aircraft now on order.

"We selected Bendix/King for our TCAS based on their recent record of certification and the superior quality of the equipment that we observed during demonstration flights," said Leonid Gavrilovich Verkhoven, director of the Department of New Science and Technology for Aeroflot. "We selected their

radar, communication and navigation equipment because we know they are the leaders in the industry."

Bendix/King was the first TCAS manufacturer to complete the Federal Aviation Administration certification process and the first to begin deliveries to airlines. The company so far has more than 3,300 TCAS orders, nearly 60 percent of the market. The world market for TCAS is expected to exceed $1.5 billion through the year 2000.

TCAS is a federally-mandated collision avoidance system that operates independently of ground-based radar stations. It informs pilots of the location of transponder-equipped aircraft in their vicinity, alerts them to potential threats and issues vertical course correction advisories, if the situation warrants.

The federal government has ordered all aircraft flying in U.S. airspace and carrying more than 30 passengers be equipped with collision avoidance systems by the end of 1993.

Allied-Signal Aerospace Company is a unit of Allied-Signal Inc. (NYSE: ALD), a $12 billion advanced technology company with businesses in aerospace, automotive products and engineered materials.

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#90268p7985 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - LL&E Royalty Trust (NYSE: LRT) announced today that its monthly distribution to unit holders will be made on Oct. 15, 1990, to unit holders of record on Oct. 5, 1990. This distribution represents amounts payable to the trust with respect to production for the month of July 1990.

The total amount of the October distribution will be $681,312 or approximately $.03587 per unit. This distribution includes no proceeds from Jay Field due primarily to increased repair and maintenance activity at Jay. The excess expenses, amounting to approximately $17,000, will be recouped from future proceeds. Excess expenses of $89,000 associated with the Offshore Louisiana property were recouped in the current month, with a resulting distribution of approximately $263,000. Due to the nature and timing of other operating and capital projects along with fluctuation in monthly production as well as the price of crude oil, this distribution is not necessarily indicative of future monthly distributions.

As previously announced, the working interest owner has begun to escrow amounts for the Fort Worth Basin property in connection with the issue of

recapture of intangible drilling and development costs under Section 1254 of the Internal Revenue Code. The trust's interest in the amount escrowed from the current month's distribution and the cumulative balance of such are $3,628.03 and $521,519.26 respectively. As stated last month, pending the possible appeal by the IRS of the previously announced favorable ruling rendered by the United States Tax Court on the Section 1254 issue, the working interest owner has made no decision on whether and when these amounts will be released from escrow.

The working interest owner has determined under the terms of the trust documents that it is eligible to escrow funds from all trust properties for the 1254 recapture issue. However, it has advised the trustee that it does not intend to exercise its rights to escrow funds, other than for the Fort Worth Basin, for this issue for the October 1990 distribution. However, the working interest owner intends to continue to monitor its estimates of relevant factors in order to evaluate the necessity of escrowing funds for this issue on an ongoing basis. The working interest owner is under no obligation to give any advance notice to the trustee or the unit holders in the event it determines that funds should be escrowed. If the working interest owner does begin to escrow such funds with respect to the productive properties, other than Fort Worth Basin, the effect on royalties paid to the trust would be significant, and in certain circumstances could eliminate distributions for a period of time.

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HIGHLAND PARK, MI (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Here are Chrysler Corporation's sales results for the mid 10-day selling period of September.

	1990	1989	Pct. Change	Selling Days '90	Selling Days '89
	Total Cars				
Sept. 11-20	26,598	31,126	-14.5	9	9
Sept. 1-20	43,788	51,803	-15.5	16	16
Jan. l-Sept. 20	611,845	772,570	-21.2	222	221
	Domestic Cars				
Sept. 11-20	24,700	28,098	-12.1		
Sept. 1-20	40,684	47,105	-13.6		
Jan. l-Sept. 20	565,737	695,502	-19.0		
	Total Trucks				
Sept. 11-20	20,482	26,093	-21.5		
Sept. 1-20	33,392	42,160	-20.8		
Jan. 1-Sept. 20	631,674	723,224	-13.1		

	Domestic Trucks		
Sept. 11-20	20,172	24,758	-18.5
Sept. 1-20	32,927	40,123	-17.9
Jan. 1-Sept. 20	621,821	695,092	-10.9
	Total Vehicles		
Sept. 11-20	47,080	57,219	-17.7
Sept. 1-20	77,180	93,963	-17.9
Jan. 1-Sept. 20	1,243,519	1,495,794	-17.2

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OAK BROOK, IL (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - GTE Airfone and Eastern Airlines today announced an agreement whereby GTE Airfone will equip more than 150 of Eastern's aircraft with the Seatfone(TM) system.

The new inflight service will allow passengers on Eastern's domestic flights to place telephone calls without leaving their seats. Terms and conditions of the agreement were not disclosed.

GTE Airfone will install the system on Eastern's fleet of Boeing 727-200s and 757-200s, McDonnell Douglas DC-9-50s and DC-9-30s, and Airbus A300 aircraft, as well as any future models of these aircraft that the airline might acquire.

"The Airfone(R) service is becoming increasingly popular with our customers, particularly with business travelers," said Eastern Trustee Martin R. Shugrue. "The new Seatfone system is convenient to use, and makes travel time more productive for the business flyer."

"Eastern Airlines' decision to offer the Seatfone system to its passengers is evidence of the increasing need for this service as well as Eastern's confidence in GTE Airfone to meet those needs," said GTE Airfone President Robert C. Calafell. "Our Seatfone system provides the public with a convenient and reliable way to keep in touch while traveling."

This month, GTE Airfone began installing Eastern's aircraft with the system, and will complete the installation process by mid-1991. Eastern Airlines has offered GTE Airfone's cordless system since May 1985, when 42 Lockheed L10-11 and Airbus A300 aircraft were equipped with the Airfone service.

The Seatfone system offers Eastern Airlines' passengers use of a telephone in the center seatback of each coach row and in each first-class seatback. Air travelers activate the system with most credit cards or an AT&T Calling Card. After activating the system, the air traveler simply dials the area code and telephone number he or she wishes to reach.

Passengers may make domestic calls anywhere in the United States or Canada and international calls while inflight over the United States, including Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and southern Canada.

For domestic calls, GTE Airfone rates are $2 per minute, plus a $2 set-up fee per call. For international calls, the rates are $4 per minute, plus a $4 set-up fee per call. To date, more than eight million calls have been placed by air travelers using the Airfone service.

GTE Airfone, based here, provides public telephone service for travelers on airplanes and trains serving more than 1,300 commercial aircraft representing 16 domestic carriers and one international airline. GTE Railfone, a wholly owned subsidiary of GTE Airfone, provides public-telephone access on major AMTRAK routes on the East and West coasts.

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COSTA MESA, CA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - FileNet Corp. (NASDAQ: FILE), today indicated that due to a significant number of delayed decisions by prospects, it does not expect revenue for the third quarter to reach security analyst expectations.

While, unable to provide specific estimates as to final results for the quarter, management indicated there is a possibility it would incur a modest loss. "These recent delays appear to be directly related to the increasingly negative economic environment," stated Ted Smith, president and CEO. Preliminary results will be made available by Oct. 5, 1990.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - First Bank, based in Ketchikan, Alaska, has become a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle (FHLB of Seattle), announced FHLB of Seattle President James R. Faulstich.

First Bank became a full member and stockholder of the FHLB of Seattle on Sept. 12th. Membership in the Federal Home Loan Bank System, previously available only to savings institutions, was opened to commercial banks and credit unions through the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act passed in August 1989. To qualify for membership, commercial

banks and credit unions must have a minimum of 10 percent of their total assets in residential mortgage loans or related assets.

"When the new Federal law was passed a year ago, First Bank immediately started the paperwork to become a member of the FHLB. However, in doing so, we found a major stumbling block - Alaska law did not conform with the Federal law," said William G. Moran, Jr., president of First Bank. "We owe many thanks to Sen. Lloyd Jones, who was instrumental in getting that law amended. Lloyd introduced a bill late in the legislative session through his Senate Transportation Committee and, with the help of Rep. Dave Donely in the House, the bill moved through the legislature in an unprecedented six days." With $180 million in assets, First Bank operates branches in Craig, Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, and Wrangell, Alaska.

The Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle is one of 12 district banks in the Federal Home Loan Bank System. Created in 1932, the Federal Home Loan Bank System's primary purpose is to support homeownership by providing home mortgage credit to housing lenders. Through their credit and lending-related programs, the Federal Home Loan Banks make funding available to their member institutions so that they, in turn, can make home mortgage loans in their communities. Collectively, the Federal Home Loan Banks have over $160 billion in loans outstanding which represent the equivalent of three-and-one-half million residential mortgages.

The Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle is a stockholder-owned, wholesale bank with over $8 billion in assets. The Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle serves housing lenders in Alaska, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming and the Territory of Guam.

CONTACT: Linda Pomarantz of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle, 206-340-8700

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KANATA, ONTARIO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Newbridge Networks Corporation (TSE: NNC; NASDAQ: NNCXF) announced today that an agreement has been signed with Rochester Telephone Corporation (NYSE: RTC) to supply Rochester Tel and its affiliated telephone companies with equipment for their new smart digital Special Services network.

The new contract will include the complete Newbridge T-1 networking product line from low-end, narrowband multiplexers to high-end bandwidth managers and network management systems. The Newbridge products will provide Rochester Telephone with enhanced digital connectivity to its customers.

In addition, the Newbridge products and backbone partitioning software will be used to provide customers with Virtual Private Networks sharing public equipment and facilities.

Robert Ingram, Rochester Tel's network engineering director, said, "Newbridge's unique line of products and software bring intelligence and reliability to our customers' dedicated data and voice circuit needs. Sophisticated network management tools give us and our customers better control of circuit integrity, installations, changes and repairs."

"Our initial plan calls for the installation of Newbridge 3600 MainStreet(TM) Bandwidth Managers into 18 central offices in the Rochester metropolitan region," said Dave Birchenough, Rochester Tel's project manager. "We will be able to serve 90 percent of our current special services circuit with this first phase."

"This contract comes after a very successful year of working with Rochester Tel," said Peter Madsen, president of Newbridge Networks U.S. "We are extremely pleased with Rochester Tel's increased commitment and we look forward to a long term and prosperous business relationship." This agreement is in addition to an earlier contract, which allowed Rotelcom Inc., a subsidiary of Rochester Tel, to become an authorized Newbridge dealer.

The Newbridge MainStreet products are designed to meet a wide range of digital network applications. The products support a variety of data and voice interfaces, and additional features include 8kbit/s and 16kbit/s voice compression and subrate multiplexing for maximum utilization of bandwidth.

Rochester Tel and its 33 telephone companies serve more than 680,000 access lines in 14 states. Its principal operating territory is a six-county area in west central New York.

In addition to Rotelcom, it owns two other unregulated subsidiaries, RCI Long Distance, a regional interexchange carrier, and Rochester Tel Mobile Communications, which manages its cellular interests.

Newbridge Networks is an international company which specializes in the design manufacture and marketing of voice and data communications equipment for global networks. Offices and manufacturing facilities are located in Canada, the United States, and Europe.

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MORRISTOWN, NJ (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - As a result of a slowdown in economic activities in the state, compounded by uncertainties resulting from the Persian Gulf crisis, Jersey Central Power & Light Company (JCP&L) announced today that it is deferring construction of a 230-kilovolt (kV) transmission line from Aberdeen to Red Bank (Monmouth County, N.J.). Consequently, JCP&L

is withdrawing its petition pending before the Board of Public Utilities for authority to construct the line and related facilities along a New Jersey Transit Railroad route between the two municipalities. The transmission line would also have run through the townships of Hazlet, Holmdel and Middletown.

"Since the time the line was proposed in 1988, two significant things have happened," said Carl R. Fruehling, vice president- transmission and distribution engineering and operations. "First, the state's economy, like that of the region, has slowed down substantially, a slowdown we do not expect to be reversed quickly. Second, Iraq invaded Kuwait, an event that we believe may not only cause electricity prices to increase, but may well have an adverse effect on the economy in general. We expect electricity usage to be lower than that which we anticipated a few months ago.

"As a result of the combined effects of a changing economy and steps the company took since proposing the project to enhance our existing supply system we believe this project can be deferred until sometime in the mid-1990s" Fruehling explained. "However, because future demand and economic factors can change rapidly, the company may need to seek to build the line earlier to meet developing service requirements of the area."

Prior to the economic changes in the state and the area to be served by this project, the utility had experienced five consecutive years of strong growth. During that time, the JCP&L system had established several records in all-time peak demand. During the summer of 1988, demand in the region of the proposed line had grown by 10 percent over the previous year.

To address the growth in customers and electricity usage in the region, the company had proposed construction of the 9.8 mile transmission line. The project was designed to both expand the capability and enhance the reliability of the existing power supply system.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - United States Cellular Corp. (AMEX: USM) announced today that it has received a proposal from Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. (AMEX: TDS), the holder of more than 80 percent of USM's common stock, for the transfer to USM of certain interests in Rural Service Areas (RSA Interests) representing approximately 2,458,000 population equivalents.

TDS has proposed to contribute the RSA Interests it holds to USM in exchange for an aggregate of 12,500,000 additional shares of common stock of USM comprised of 3,545,355 common shares and 8,954,645 series A common shares (plus additional consideration to reimburse TDS for investments and expenditures in respect of the RSA Interests).

Under the proposed terms, the exchange would increase TDS's ownership of USM's common stock as of June 30, 1990 from 81.5 percent to approximately 87.1 percent.

The TDS proposal is subject to negotiation and has been referred to a previously established independent committee of the USM board of directors. The independent committee has retained Lazard Freres & Co. as its financial advisor.

The proposed transaction is subject to approval by the independent committee of the USM board of directors and of the shareholders of USM, to definitive documentation and to compliance with regulatory requirements. The proposal was made by TDS in compliance with an agreement entered into by USM at the time of USM's initial public offering.

TDS has advised USM that it is the holder, directly or indirectly, of RSA Interests in 29 rural service areas in 17 states, as a result of FCC-sponsored lotteries that were concluded in December 1989. Based on 1989 Donnelly marketing service estimates, the RSA Interests held by TDS and proposed to be transferred represent approximately 2,458,000 population equivalents.

USM owns, operates, invests in and has the right to acquire interests on cellular telephone systems on a total of 116 metropolitan and rural areas in 32 states. At Aug. 31, 1990, the interests that the company owned or had the right to acquire represented approximately 9.6 million population equivalents.

The proposed combination would allow USM to combine the ownership and operations of all the RSA Interests now owned by TDS, including a number of rural service areas that are contiguous to metropolitan statistical areas or RSAs that USM already operates.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The First Boston Corporation today announced that Charles H. Mayer has joined the firm as a managing director and chief information officer (CIO), effective immediately.

Mayer, 43, has more than 21 year's experience in technology and information systems. Since 1989, Mayer had served as chief operating officer of Tech Partners, a computerized equity arbitrage trading firm, where he was responsible for operations, accounting, technical services and administration.

From 1987-1989, he served as a director in the MIS department at Salomon

Brothers, responsible for systems and all international operations. Before that he was a principal and director of systems at Morgan Stanley (1980-87), where he oversaw the development and launch of their Trade Analysis and Processing System (TAPS), and participated in the development of the automated trading support system (PAIRS).

Mayer served as principal at Arthur Young, responsible for the systems implementation practice in New York City (1973-80); and as director of computer auditing at Lehman Brothers (1971-73).

Robert Raziano, head of finance, administration, systems and operations at The First Boston Corporation said, "Charlie's appointment underscores First Boston's commitment to technology and information systems. His broad experience in both the information management and financial services businesses makes him ideally qualified to lead this important area of our firm."

Mayer received a B.A. in Industrial Relations (1969) and an M.B.A. in Finance (1973) from Seton Hall University (N.J.).

The First Boston Corporation is a full service investment bank serving the Americas, with headquarters in New York. It is an operating unit of CS First Boston, Inc.

CONTACT: Susan Miller, 212-909-4573 or Jack Cowell, 212-909-4827, both of The First Boston Corporation.

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DES MOINES, IA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALGR) board chairman and president, John E. Evans, announced today that the company's board of directors has approved a stock repurchase program to acquire up to $1 million of the company's common stock.

Completion of the program, expected within 12 months, is dependent upon market conditions, with no guarantee as to the exact number of shares to be repurchased.

The repurchase program is not in response to any tender offer or any other offer for shares of the company, nor is this announcement a request or offer for tender of shares to the company. The company has no present intention to cause its shares to be delisted or deregistered as a result of this purchase program.

Allied Group is a holding company that through its subsidiary companies offers property-casualty insurance, excess and surplus lines insurance, data processing, and investment services. As of June 30, 1990, the company's book

value per share was $16.94. The stock closed Monday, Sept. 24, 1990 at a price of $12.50 per share.

CONTACT: Jim Shaffer of Allied Group, (515) 280-4326.

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DETROIT (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Quest BioTechnology, Inc. (NASDAQ: QBIO) (Quest) announced that effective Sept. 17, 1990, it acquired approximately 34 percent of AM Diagnostics, Inc.'s common stock pursuant to its reorganization and recapitalization.

As a proponent of AM Diagnostics' Sixth Amended Plan of Reorganization, Quest has the option, after certain conditions have been met, to purchase 100 percent of the common stock of Nippon Monitor K.K., AM Diagnostics Japanese subsidiary.

Quest's involvement with AM Diagnostics began in 1987 with the selection of the AM Diagnostics current management team. Since that time, management has adopted a turnaround philosophy centered on customer satisfaction, product quality and new product development.

AM Diagnostics, with subsidiaries in Japan, the United Kingdom, Canada, France and Germany, along with manufacturing facilities in Indianapolis and a North American distribution network, provides Quest with a pathway into domestic and international distribution networks and markets for diagnostic products.

In addition, by combining technologies between Quest and AM Diagnostics, Quest believes there is significant potential for a next generation of diagnostic products using Quest's QUADROMA(TM) technology for the preparation of bispecific monoclonal antibodies.

"The reorganization of AM Diagnostics has been largely driven by customers' acceptance of our new and improved analyzers which facilitates the company's ability to fill a $5 million backlog of orders," said Eugene I. Schuster, chairman of AM Diagnostics and chairman, president and chief executive officer of Quest. "The turnaround of AM Diagnostics continues, and management believes that the most difficult tasks of the reorganization have been accomplished."

Quest BioTechnology, Inc. is a development stage company organized to acquire, develop, and commercialize biotechnology and human health care products and processes.

Quest is organized into two groups, the Technology Development Group which manages Quest's two wholly owned subsidiaries, PolyCell, Inc. and Quest Blood Substitute, Inc., and the Clinical Diagnostics Group, formed to implement turnarounds of diagnostics-based businesses.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Unit Investment Trusts, investment companies that purchase fixed portfolios of selected bonds or stocks, increased their deposits through offerings in August of $515.6 million for a year-to-date total of $4.73 billion in 1990 compared to $7.36 billion through August 1989, according to statistics compiled by the Investment Company Institute.

Tax-free bond trusts issued shares in August with deposits of $408.05 million for a year-to-date total of $3.46 billion compared to $5.24 billion year-to-date in 1989. Taxable bond trusts totaled $74.1 million in August for a 1990 total of $902.5 million compared to $1.34 billion for the prior year-to-date. Deposits to equity trusts totaled $33.5 million in August bringing the year-to-date total to $370.2 million compared to $784.1 million for the previous year-to-date.

There were 70 new tax-free bond trusts issuing shares in August, five new taxable bond trusts and four new equity trusts.

In terms of maturity, long-term bond trusts with an average weighted maturity of more than 15 years were the most commonly offered in August with $390.2 million in shareholder deposits.

Year end 1989 data on the total market value of unit trusts issued and outstanding through December 1989 indicates a total of 11,527 unit trusts with a market value as of December 1989 of $108.77 billion. According to responses of 17 sponsors, there were a total of 10,475 tax free bond trusts representing a year-end 1989 market value of $92.28 billion, 886 taxable bond trusts representing year end 1989 market value of $11.63 billion, and 166 equity unit trusts reporting year-end 1989 market value of $4.87 billion.

The Investment Company Institute is the national association of the U.S. investment company industry.

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SAVANNAH, GA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - M&M Supermarkets announced today the conversion of their 14 stores in Savannah, Waycross, Jesup and Statesboro, Ga. to Kroger Food Stores.

"The name change would take place on or about October 29," according to David Polk, M&M president.

The Kroger Co., operators of 1,234 Kroger Food and Drug Stores in 24 states, has been the parent company of M&M Supermarkets since December 1985. M&M Stores wil become part of the Atlanta marketing area of Kroger, operators of 120 Kroger Stores in Georgia and South Carolina.

"We realize this transition has not been without inconvenience to our customers and employees," stated Paul Smith, president of the Atlanta K.M.A. "The payback will be the opportunity to blend the vast resources of Kroger Atlanta and the dedicated M&M employee group to greatly enhance customer service and value in the Savannah area," Smith added.

"The community services long provided by M&M in Savannah has been an important factor in the long history of the company. This is a tradition long embraced by Kroger Atlanta and one we intend to continue," Smith continued.

Kroger Atlanta operates two Food and Drug Combination Stores in Savannah and recently converted the M&M Supermarket in Dublin, Ga., to a Kroger Food Store.

The combination of Kroger and M&M in Savannah will employ 1,300.

CONTACT: David Polk of M&M Supermarkets, 912-236-0154 or Lyle Yates of Kroger Food Stores, 404-496-7524

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Chicago Board Options Exchange today announced it will begin trading options on Unitrin Inc. (NASDAQ: UNIT; CBOE: UNQ) on Wednesday, Sept. 26.

Headquartered in Chicago, Unitrin Inc. is a holding company engaged in the life, health, property and liability insurance and thrift and loan businesses through its subsidiaries, United Insurance Co. of America, Trinity Universal Insurance Co., Fireside Securities Corp., and other direct and indirect subsidiaries.

UNQ options will trade on the January expiration cycle, with introductory expirations in October, November, January and April. Initial strike prices are 25, 30 and 35. O'Connor & Associates will serve as Designated Primary Market Maker (DPM) in the option.

CBOE, regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, is the pioneer of listed options and the world's largest options marketplace.

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both of CBOE.

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PITTSBURGH, (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of the board of directors of Duquesne Light Co. held today, the following quarterly dividends were declared, payable Jan. 1, 1991, to all holders of record at the close of business on Monday, Dec. 10, 1990.

Class of Stock		Amount per Share
3.75 pct.	Preferred	$0.46875
4.00 pct.	Preferred	$0.50
4.10 pct.	Preferred	$0.5125
4.15 pct.	Preferred	$0.51875
4.20 pct.	Preferred	$0.525
$2.10	Preferred	$0.525
$7.20	Preferred	$1.80
$8.375	Preferred	$2.09375
$2.10	Preference	$0.525
$2.315	Preference	$0.57875
$7.50	Preference	$1.875
$9.125	Preference	$2.28125

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SAN MATEO, CA (SEPT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Interactive entertainment software giant Electronic Arts (NASDAQ: ERTS) today delineated its six-part strategy for Sega(R) Genesis(R), the leading 16-bit video-game console.

"With this plan, and our track record in 16-bit software, our goal is to become the dominant third-party supplier on Genesis," said Bing Gordon, vice president of marketing.

Part 1 of the strategy is to reprogram EA's portfolio of "hits" on 16-bit computers. This phase began last June when EA started shipping Genesis versions of Populous(TM) and Budokan: The Martial Spirit(TM).

Zany Golf(TM) will be ready by September; Lakers vs. Celtics and the NBA(R) Playoffs(TM), and either Battle Squadron(TM) or Sword of Sodan(TM) will ship by Christmas.

In addition, EA has in its vaults at least a dozen best-selling 16-bit computer games which, though inappropriate for an 8-bit system like Nintendo(R), could be ported to the Genesis.

Part 2 is to develop original EA titles that really take advantage of Genesis' power. For example, an all-new version of John Madden Football(TM), with improved graphics and digitized speech, is now being readied for a Christmas kickoff.

Part 3 is to reprogram the 16-bit floppy-disk-based hits from other publishers continuing what has become a very successful Affiliated Labels co-marketing program.

At least eight new titles are being readied for EA by New World Computing, Cinemaware, Ubisoft, Three-Sixty Pacific, and Ocean; the first products resulting from these Genesis-specific development agreements will be announced at the January 1991 CES.

Part 4 is to extend EA's strong entertainment software distribution and marketing support to Genesis retailers, most of whom already carry EA software. "Because we are already a leading PC software vendor at retailers like Babbage's, Electronics Boutique, and Toys R Us, we can get better shelf placement and stronger merchandising support," explained Gordon.

Part 5 extends the strategy to Europe, where Genesis is known as Megadrive. EA's European division will ship its first titles in November, after translating each into local languages.

Distribution will be handled exclusively by Virgin Mastertronic, whose Managing Director, Nick Alexander, said, "We're delighted to take on the distribution of EA products for the Megadrive. It's first-class software like EA's that will ensure that Megadrive keeps its number-one position."

Part 6 looks to the East. EA has already delivered its first product, Budokan: The Martial Spirit, to Sega Japan, which has the rights to license 20 Electronic Arts titles. "Although we've yet to realize any revenue from this licensing agreement, it could end up being the most significant licensing deal that we have ever done," said Gordon.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T recently announced that it is a sponsor of this year's Festa Italiana in San Francisco, scheduled for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Sept. 28, 29, and 30.

During the announcement, AT&T Public Relations Manager Nancy Crispino stated that the company is proud of its on-going support of the Italian community in

San Francisco. "AT&T is especially pleased to be part of the Festa Italiana," she added, "which is such an important event in this community."

On Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, from noon to 2 p.m., AT&T will offer free two-minute international calls to visitors who stop by AT&T's tent located next to the Franciscan Restaurant on Fisherman's Wharf. Visitors will also be invited to enter a drawing for an AT&T Cordless Telephone.

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#90268p8045 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Nippon Steel Corp. of Japan was found in contempt of court Monday by a magistrate of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, it was announced today.

The ruling arises out of a patent infringement lawsuit brought against Nippon and others by Allegheny Ludlum Corp. (NYSE: ALS), Pittsburgh, on June 8, 1989.

The Allegheny Ludlum lawsuit charged patent infringement of a process for manufacturing grain-oriented silicon electrical steel. The case followed earlier attempts by Allegheny Ludlum to reach an amicable settlement which Nippon Steel rejected.

Federal Magistrate Edwin E. Naythons ruled that Nippon had violated a court order requiring the production of certain proprietary and confidential information. He described Nippon's misconduct as causing a "flagrant waste of judicial resources" and an unnecessary cost to U.S. taxpayers. In making the contempt citation, he imposed a fine of $10,000 to be paid within 10 days.

The trial of the patent infringement case was originally scheduled for April 1990 and was subsequently rescheduled for September.

Nippon previously sought an extension of the trial date, and the trial is now scheduled for November 1990.

"A contempt finding is rare, particularly against a foreign corporation. We are very pleased with the magistrate's ruling," says John B. Williams, attorney with Collier, Shannon & Scott of Washington, D.C., representing Allegheny Ludlum.

Grain-oriented silicon steel, which possesses unique magnetic characteristics, is used in high efficiency electrical equipment, including power transformers, distribution transformers, large generators and a wide range of small transformers. Allegheny Ludlum's patent disclosed a specific melt composition for the steel, as well as various heat treatment steps in the processing of

the steel, that further enhance its magnetic properties.

Allegheny Ludlum is a leading producer of a wide range of specialty materials, including stainless steels, electrical steels and high temperature alloys. The company reported sales of $1.2 billion in 1989.

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ST. PAUL, MN (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - 3M College Relations will host a leadership conference of the Midwest Regional Chicago Chapter of the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers Sept. 27-30 at 3M Center, Maplewood, Minn.

About 65 students will discuss a variety of issues of importance to Hispanic engineers and engineering students, and participate in six workshops ranging from public speaking to innovation.

They attend the University of Wisconsin/Madison; University of Illinois/Champaign-Urbana; University of Illinois/Chicago; University of Michigan/Ann Arbor; Purdue University/Lafayette, Ind.; Purdue University/Calumet, Ind.; Iowa State University/Ames, Iowa; Milwaukee School of Engineering; and Devry School of Technology, Chicago, Ill.

The Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers is a national non-profit organization with more than 100 professional and student chapters in the United States. The all-volunteer organization provides scholarship assistance to Hispanic students pursuing engineering degrees, as well as professional development assistance for its professional members. It was founded in 1974.

A special committee of 3Mers of Hispanic descent is helping organize the conference. They include Alfonso Garrote, International Division Engineering; Fabio Herrera and Rosa Miller, Medical-Surgical Division; Julio Pereira, Senior Systems Coordinator, Traffic Control Materials Division; and Bernard Gonzalez, Hardware and Electronics Service Division.

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AKRON, OH (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Roadway Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROAD) reports revenue for the third quarter ended Sept. 8 of $703,522,000, compared with revenue of $625,294,000 in the third quarter last year, which ended Sept. 9, 1989.

Net income for the third quarter this year was $34,528,000 or $.88 per share compared with $23,612,000 or $.60 per share in 1989.

For the 36 weeks ended Sept. 8, revenue was $2,013,041,000 compared with revenue of $1,802,718,000 for the first three quarters a year ago. Net income for the 36 weeks this year was $73,837,000 or $1.88 per share compared with net income of $65,581,000 or $1.67 per share for the comparable period in 1989.

Results for the quarter reflect a surge in demand during late July and early August related to shipper concern over the potential for a work stoppage at United Parcel Service, a major competitor.

"While felt to some degree at our LTL carriers, the impact was most significant at Roadway Package System (RPS), our small package specialist," said Joseph M. Clapp, chairman and president.

Earnings comparisons for Roadway Express, the company's largest operating subsidiary, showed improvement from third quarter results a year ago as a result of improved yield and moderate gains in productivity. Freight composition and revenue yield were slightly and temporarily affected by some increase in package business as discussed above. Roadway Express net freight rates were 5.9 percent above those of last year's third quarter.

Escalating fuel prices due to the Middle East crisis necessitated the adoption of fuel surcharges by most of the operating companies. The Roadway Express surcharge was implemented August 22 at 1.2 percent and is currently at 1.7 percent.

"These surcharges are solely for the purpose of recovering the increased cost of fuel in the present circumstances and will be adjusted up or down as appropriate," said Clapp.

Since the companies delayed the adoption of this mechanism, only a portion of the increased fuel expense for the quarter was recovered.

Third quarter tonnage for Roadway Express, the company's principal operating subsidiary, increased 3.0 percent from last year, which reflects increases of 3.5 percent in LTL tons, shipments weighing less than 10,000 pounds each, and 1.0 percent in truckload tonnage.

"Third quarter results reflect a combination of underlying improvements in several of our operations and of business circumstances unique to this period " said Clapp.

"Sustaining these improvements will be increasingly important in the face of difficult economic circumstances," he said, noting that tonnage levels at Roadway Express are now flat to slightly below those of a year ago.

Roadway Services owns Roadway Express, Inc., one of the nation's largest motor freight carriers; Spartan Express, Inc., a regional carrier serving the central and southern regions; Viking Freight, Inc., a regional carrier serving the western region; Roberts Express, Inc., a critical shipment carrier; and Roadway Package System, Inc., a carrier serving shippers in the small package market.

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FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Food Lion, Inc., (NASDAQ-NMS: FDLN) the North Carolina based supermarket chain, has purchased 128 acres from the Perot Group for the construction of its new Dallas/Fort Worth food distribution center. The announcement was made by Tom Smith, chairman of the board, chief executive officer and president of Food Lion, and Ross Perot, Jr. of The Perot Group.

Food Lion, one of the nation's largest and fastest growing supermarket chains, will be the anchor tenant of The Perot Group's Alliance Gateway development. Alliance Gateway is a 2,500-acre master planned office and industrial park, bisected by 6.5 miles of State Highway 170.

The Gateway development is bordered by Intersatate Highway 35W on the west and U.S. Highway 377 and the Union Pacific Railroad on the east. Alliance Gateway is one of the three projects of The Perot Group's 11,000-acre Alliance regional development program.

Food Lion's distribution center will be located on the south side of Henrietta Creek Road, west of U.S. Highway 377. The first phase of construction will bring the facility to 735,000 square feet and is scheduled to be completed by the late summer of 1991. Phase II construction, for which a timetable has yet to be determined, will bring the facility to a total of 1.2 million square feet.

The new distribution center will be served by the Union Pacific Railroad and, when fully built, is expected to receive 2,300 to 2,500 rail cars of groceries per year.

"We are pleased that Food Lion has chosen the Alliance Gateway as the location of its new facility," Perot said. "Alliance Gateway offers a strategic location for companies such as Food Lion, which need multimodal tranportation capabilities. We are excited about the positive impact Food Lion will have on the Metroplex economy and welcome them to North Texas."

The construction of the distribution center follows the company's plans to enter the Dallas/Fort Worth market. Earlier this year, Food Lion announced

plans to open 30 to 40 supermarkets in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex during the summer and fall of 1991, making it one of the largest supermarket chains in the area.

When Food Lion first opened stores in Jacksonville, Florida, in the summer of 1987, food prices were reduced by six percent, according to a Florida Times Union survey. Food Lion officials expect the same results for the Metroplex. "Food Lion's presence in this market will save every man, woman, and child in the Metroplex more than $100 per year on their grocery bill," Smith said.

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PEABODY, MA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Webster Industries, a leading manufacturer of plastic trash bags, announced that its RENEW trash bags, the nation's first bag made from over 80 percent recycled plastics, and its heavier-weight basic line GOOD SENSE trash bags, made from over 50 percent recycled plastics, have been certified by Green Cross -- a private, not-for-profit organization that sets standards for environmental products.

RENEW and GOOD SENSE bags contain an unprecedented 24 percent of post-consumer waste. RENEW and GOOD SENSE, at present, are the nation's first and only plastics products to receive the certification.

Rajeev Bal, president of Webster Industries, stated, "The Green Cross certification is added proof of Webster's commitment to employing innovative methods to solve the nation's growing solid waste problem. We are able to put recycling efforts to good use by utilizing such a high percentage of post-consumer and industrial waste in our trash bags."

Bal added that the Green Cross certification will allow consumers to easily indentify, and purchase, products that truly benefit the environment. By using the highest possible level of recycled materials, Webster Industries preserves natural resources (such as oil) and reduces the amount of solid waste going into landfills.

The Green Cross certification independently verifies a manufacturer's claim to using maximum, state-of-the-art recycled materials. By establishing high standards for recycled content claims, the Green Cross certification provides consumers and retailers with independent assurance that a product manufacturer is making a significant contribution to solid waste reduction.

As one of the nation's largest recyclers of plastics, Webster Industries reclaims more than 50 million pounds of plastics each year. Every box of RENEW for example, contains an average of two pounds of plastic that would have

otherwise required incineration or disposal in a landfill. Webster's branded trash bags, including RENEW and GOOD SENSE, are sold through both grocery and non-food outlets, such as mass merchandiser, drug and hardware stores.

Headquartered in Peabody, Mass., Webster Industries has been a pioneer in pro-environment technologies for over two decades. In addition to their progressive recycling efforts, Webster continues to seek innovative ways to help the environment through source reduction, product improvements and consumer education.

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#90268p8068 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIF. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co. (MDSSC) announced today that the Space Data Division of Orbital Sciences Corp. in Chandler, Ariz., has been selected for further negotiations to develop an affordable booster subsystem for the Ground-Based Surveillance and Tracking System (GSTS) program.

McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) is conducting the GSTS Technology Validation Experiment for the U.S. Army Strategic Defense Command in Huntsville, Ala. The program is sponsored by the Strategic Defense Initiative Organization (SDIO). The experiment will resolve issues associated with midcourse surveillance, track and discrimination.

The GSTS is a key element in the Phase One architecture for the SDIO and is also a necessary element for any Limited Protection System. GSTS sensor data sent to the ground for processing, are used to distinguish warheads from decoys, establish reentry vehicle trajectories and points of impact, and assist intercept planning.

The major subcontractors to McDonnell Douglas on the GSTS program are Honeywell, Clearwater, Fla.; Hughes Aircraft, El Segundo, Calif.; SPARTA, Huntsville, Ala.; and TRW, Huntsville, Ala.

CONTACT: Anne McCauley, 714-896-6211, or Sheila Carter, 714-896-1302, of McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co.

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#90268p8072 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MADISON, NJ (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Schering-Plough Corporation (NYSE: SGP) today authorized the purchase of up to $1 billion of the company's common stock.

Robert P. Luciano, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "While the company continues pursuing appropriate acquisitions and business partnerships as part of our strategic plan, we are undertaking this share repurchase program because current market conditions have made the stock an exceptionally good value."

The company expects to purchase the shares in open market transactions from time to time, depending upon prevailing market conditions. Existing cash balances and operating cash flows will be used to fund the share repurchase program. The repurchased shares will be used for general corporate purposes, including employee benefit plans.

As of June 30, 1990, there were approximately 226,940,000 shares outstanding.

Merrill Lynch & Co. will act as exclusive brokers on the transactions.

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#90268p8081 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWOOD, MA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Groundwater Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: GWTI), a leading groundwater and soil remediation company, today reported at its special meeting in lieu of annual meeting that the company has purchased to date approximately 100,000 shares of common stock through its previously announced Stock Repurchase Program.

Ted Owens, senior vice president and chief financial officer, stated, "We will continue to purchase shares under our Stock Repurchase Program at prices we consider attractive."

As previously announced on March 27, 1990, the company has an ongoing Stock Repurchase Program authorizing the repurchase of up to five percent of its common stock from time to time through open market purchases.

CONTACT: Patricia O. Muzzy, investor relations manager of Groundwater Technology, Inc., (617) 769-7600.

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SHELBY, N.C. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Shelby Federal announced changes in its operating charter at its annual stockholders meeting held Sept. 20, 1990. The institution will no longer operate as a savings and loan association, but rather will be officially chartered as a federal savings bank. Effective September 20, the new name is Shelby Federal Savings Bank.

The bank also announced that two prominent Shelby men have been named to its

board and that the bank will open its first branch next year in the Cleveland Mall.

G. Dean Whisnant, president and chief executive officer, said, "The new charter and new name more accurately describes what we have become. With the advent of checking accounts and consumer loans, our business has become much more like a bank than a savings and loan association."

Shelby Federal Savings Bank will operate with the same staff as before. Savings accounts continue to be insured up to $100,000 by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

The bank also announced the appointment of Robert J. Arey, Sr. as chairman of the board of directors. Arey has been a member of the Board for more than 20 years. A native of Cleveland County, he is a graduate of Shelby High School and is married to the former Lorraine Clay. They have two children, Robert J. Arey, Jr. and Kim, now Mrs. Michael E. Bridges. Arey is an active member of Aldersgate Methodist Church and President of Arey Oil Company and Arey Realty, Inc. He is also a member of Shelby Lions Club.

In addition, the bank announced the appointment of two new board members. They are Robert L. Holland and W. James Horn.

Shelby Federal Savings Bank is the oldest savings institution headquartered in Cleveland County, established in 1905.

CONTACT: G. Dean Whisnant, President, Shelby Federal Savings Bank, 704-487-4387

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MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael Foods, Inc. (NASDAQ: MIKL) today announced the completion of a $20 million private placement of unsecured senior notes. The notes, which carry an interest rate of 9.85 percent, mature on Oct. 1, 2000. Proceeds will be used to repay the company's revolving line of credit and for general corporate purposes.

Michael Foods is a diversified food processor and distributor with particular interest in egg products and eggs, refrigerator case products, frozen and refrigerated potato products, and dairy products, including ultrapasteurized ice milk mix, milk and speciality products.

Subsidiaries include the Milton G. Waldbaum Company; Crystal Foods, Inc.; Northern Star Company; Kohler Mix Specialties, Inc.; Wisco Farm Cooperative; Farm Fresh Foods, Inc.; Drallos Potato Co., Inc.; Morning Glory Eggs, Inc.; Country Queen, Inc.; and Reddi Egg America, Inc.

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TEL AVIV, ISRAEL (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Pursuant to Istec-Industries and Technologies Ltd. (NASDAQ: ISTUF, ISTEF, ISTWF) announcement of July 18, 1990, Istec has signed an agreement to sell 2,353,118 shares of Aryt Optronics Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: ARYTF) represents approximately 47 percent of the total outstanding shares of Aryt, to Geotek Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: GOTK).

Geotek shall pay Istec approximately $5.7 million of which approximately $5 million will be paid in cash upon closing and approximately $700,000 will be paid in six equal consecutive semi-annual payments commencing in December 1990. Istec will use the cash received to repay the indebtedness incurred in December 1989 to acquire Aryt's common stock.

Istec is engaged in the design, development, manufacture and marketing of products directly or through partly owned subsidiaries involving various technologies. Its specific aim is to create export-oriented products, some of which it has begun marketing, while others are still in the research and development stage.

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#90268p8089 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Tribune Entertainment Company (TEC) will expand its role in domestic television program distribution.

Donald Hacker, executive vice president, announced here today that the sales and marketing division of TEC will assume distribution responsibilities for "Geraldo" and "The Joan Rivers Show." These services were previously supplied by Paramount Domestic Television.

Sheldon Cooper, TEC president, commented on the announcement saying, "Paramount Domestic Television has done a terrific job distributing 'Geraldo' and 'Joan Rivers' during the past four years. However, with eight years of continuous growth at TEC, it's important that we increase our participation in these significant customer services."

New program development also will be increased as part of the expanded TEC marketing strategy, targeting early fringe, access, late night, and weekends. Specific announcements are forthcoming.

Hacker went on to say, "Over the years TEC has continually received inquiries

from various major studios interested in distributing many of our shows. While the time has come to assume direct responsibility for our own distribution, this does not preclude joint venture arrangements with others including Paramount."

TEC has co-ventured such television projects as "Charles In Charge" (with MCA-TV), "Tales From The Darkside" (with Laurel Entertainment and LBS), the "TV Net" movies and "What A Country" (with Viacom), "G.I. Joe" (with Claster-Sunbow), and the children's show "Ghostbusters" (with Group W). In recent years, TEC has established sales offices in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles and Nashville, according to David F. Sifford, executive vice president of sales & marketing. Additional sales personnel will be recruited as a part of the expanded distribution activity.

Founded in 1982, Tribune Entertainment has emerged as one of the leaders in program syndication, especially first-run and advertiser- supported shows.

TEC is a subsidiary of Tribune Broadcasting Company, which operates independent television stations in New York (WPIX), Los Angeles (KTLA), Chicago (WGN), Atlanta (WGNX), Denver (KWGN) and New Orleans (WGNO) as well as radio stations in New York, Chicago and Sacramento. Additionally, Tribune Broadcasting produces network programming through its Los Angeles-based joint venture, Grant/Tribune Prodctions.

Tribune Broadcasting is a wholly owned subsidiary of Tribune Company (NYSE: TRB), a diversified communications company with interests in newspaper publishing and newsprint manufacturing as well as broadcasting. The company also owns the Chicago Cubs baseball team.

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#90268p8092 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, ORE. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Nichiei America Corp. today announced its acquisition of the landmark Benjamin Franklin Plaza office building in downtown Portland, Ore. The multi-national lumber products and real estate company plans to make the building its permanent corporate headquarters.

Nichiei America purchased the building, which is located at 1 SW Columbia, from RREEF U.S.A. FUND-II, a San Francisco-based pension fund. The sale, which is the largest of its kind in Oregon this year, will close on Sept. 25 for a purchase price of $34 million. Melvin Mark Brokerage Co. represented Nichiei America in the transaction.

"We are truly pleased to have acquired one of the premier office buildings in

Portland for our headquarters," said Nichiei America president Jun Kato. "We're looking forward to many more happy and productive years as a member of Oregon's business community and to offering the finest possible facility for our tenants."

Kato listed downtown Portland's vitality and Oregon's receptive business climate as factors in Nichiei's decision to locate here.

"Our purchase of this building is a symbol of our commitment to Oregon," Kato said. "We hope to solidify our ties with Portland, strengthen our relationships with other Oregon companies and contribute to the region's economic growth and prosperity."

Melvin "Pete" Mark, Jr., managing partner for Melvin Mark Companies, sees Nichiei America's purchase as proof of downtown Portland's flourishing economy.

"While many American cities are witnessing the flight of corporations from their downtown cores, Portland has gained the headquarters of a multi-national corporation," Mark said. "This is a major milestone for our city."

Nichiei America is a 10-year-old Oregon company that purchases finished North American sawmill products and other housing materials for export to Japan. The company's 1990 sales are estimated at $70 million.

Because Nichiei America's focus is on exporting finished wood products, the company has been applauded for helping to maintain and create new jobs for the United States' embattled sawmill industry.

Mac Epley, vice president, Western Wood Products Association (WWPA), speaking from WWPA's fall conference in Monterey, Calif., called Nichiei's announcement welcome news for the forest products industry.

"Nichiei's commitment seems to be right in line with national sentiment," he said. "Any time new markets can be found for finished lumber products, it's a reason to celebrate."

Nichiei America also is engaged in real estate development in the greater Portland area through its subsidiary, Nichiei Properties Corp. The company currently is building seven homes in Lake Oswego, Ore. Nichiei America is a subsidiary of Japan-based Nichiei Co. Ltd., which engages in a range of businesses from housing materials to real estate.

CONTACT: Jerry Griffin or Tamara Hudson, 503-242-0070, both of Whitman Advertising and Public Relations for Nichiei America Corp.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Corroon & Black Corporation (NYSE: CBL) has formally implemented a division dedicated to meeting the needs of the technology industry. This action has been taken in recognition of the increasing need for specialized services and products for the diverse members of these complex, high-growth businesses. The Technology Industry Division will operate under the auspices of the National Resource Division, and is headquartered in San Jose, Calif.

The Technology Industry Division has been created with the intent of giving Corroon & Black a distinct and measurable advantage in the technology industry marketplace. Defining that advantage will be based on a variety of industry-specific services either currently available or in development, including marketing, loss control engineering, claims management, and new product development. The Technology Industry Division offers Corroon & Black a resource unique in the industry, enhancing the corporation's ability to take advantage of the tremendous domestic and international opportunities in the technology field.

Gary P. Sheerer is managing director of the division, and he will also maintain his role as executive vice president of Corroon & Black (San Jose). John C. Lamberson is vice president of the Division, acting as a member of the National Resource Division.

Corroon & Black Corporation, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's largest full-service insurance intermediaries, providing insurance brokerage, risk management services, reinsurance brokerage, and employee benefits, compensation, and actuarial consulting to individuals, local governments, professions, business, and industry. It has subsidiaries across the United States and affiliated offices throughout the world. The corporation was founded in 1905 in New York City.

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#90268p8109 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - National Healthcare Inc. (NHI) announced today that the jury in a state court action in Cumming, Ga., had rendered a verdict awarding damages of $1,250,000 for alleged medical malpractice occurring in January 1987 against it and an anesthesiologist formerly on the medical staff of the hospital in Cumming, Ga.

In addition, the jury awarded the plaintiffs $24 million punitive damages against NHI. Officials of the company stated that they believe the jury's verdict to be clearly excessive and unsupported by the evidence. If allowed to stand, the verdict would have a substantial adverse effect on the company which is insured to a $6 million limit for damages. The company intends to take all available steps to overturn the verdict, including motions directed

to the trial court and appeals.

CONTACT: Robert M. Thornton Jr., executive vice president and chief financial officer of National Healthcare, 404-431-1500

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#90268p8111 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Irvine Co. has selected Hyatt Hotels Corp. to assume management of its 536-room hotel in Jamboree Center in Irvine, it was announced today by Don McNutt, vice president and general manager of Irvine Hotel Co., a division of The Irvine Co.

Formally The Irvine Hilton and Towers, Hyatt will begin its management responsibilities Oct. 16 at which time the hotel will be renamed the Hyatt Regency Irvine at Jamboree Center.

The hotel is located at the Jamboree Road exit of the San Diego (I-405) freeway near the John Wayne Airport. It is part of The Irvine Co.'s Jamboree Center, a leading international financial and business center featuring 1.6 million square feet of office space including two, 12-story towers and three, 20-story towers.

It joins eight other Hyatt properties located in Southern California including the Hyatt Newporter, Hyatt Regency Long Beach, Hyatt Edgewater and Hyatt Regency Alicante.

"We're pleased to announce our new relationship with Hyatt and welcome them to Jamboree Center," said McNutt. "Hyatt has long been recognized as a leader in hotel development and management both nationally and internationally. We know their expertise will continue the tradition of this property as a premier business hotel in the heart of the Irvine Business Complex."

"With its strategic location and quality design and amenities, this hotel is a first-class business hotel," said Darryl Hartley-Leonard, president of Hyatt. "The expansion of the John Wayne Airport will make the Irvine area an even stronger destination for the Hyatt Regency Irvine at Jamboree Center.

The 12-story hotel has 536 rooms and 20 suites available to guests. It also features more than 30,000 square feet of meeting space including a 14,700-square-foot Grand Ball Room and a 2,300-square-foot state-of-art conference theater.

In addition, the hotel offers two full service restaurants, 24-hour service, an entertainment lounge, priority access to the Tustin Ranch Golf Club, lighted tennis courts and a heated outdoor pool. A private health club is available for guests use with facilities including a hydrotherapy pool and saunas. The Regency Club, a special services floor, will also be located

within the hotel.

CONTACT: Kathleen Campini of The Irvine Co., (714) 720-2216, or Susan Stoga of the Hyatt Hotels Corp., (312) 750-8069.

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#90268p8115 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Park Electrochemical Corp. (NYSE: PKE) declared a regular quarterly dividend of eight cents per share payable Nov. 20, 1990 to stockholders of record on Oct. 22, 1990.

Park Electrochemical Corp., through its subsidiaries, is primarily a manufacturer of advanced electronic circuit materials.

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#90268p8116 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEDHAM, MA (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Multibank Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: MLTF) announced that its board of directors declared a cash dividend for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 of 10 cents per share payable Oct. 19, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Oct. 9, 1990.

It was also announced that, according to its current estimate, the company's financial results for the third quarter ending Sept. 30 will show a loss in an amount considerably less than the $11,912,000 loss reported for the second quarter ended June 30, 1990. It is presently believed that results for the fourth quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990 will show a profit.

In addition, the board of directors adopted a revised schedule for the consideration and payment of dividends. Henceforth, starting with the fourth quarter 1990, a quarterly dividend will be considered in the first month following the end of the quarter and payment of a declared quarterly dividend will be made in the second month.

Accordingly, a dividend for the fourth quarter 1990 will be considered by the board of directors at its meeting in January 1991 and payment of a dividend, if declared, for the fourth quarter 1990 will be made in February 1991.

Chairman, David B. Lynch, commented "The revised timetable will normally enable the board to have available final quarterly results when considering the quarterly dividend."

Multibank Financial Corp. is a registered bank holding company with six Massachusetts banks and several related financial service companies. The

company's stock is traded on the over-the-counter market and is listed and quoted through the NASDAQ National Market System (NMS) under the symbol of MLTF.

Trading activity for the company's stock is reported in the NASDAQ National Market stock table appearing in leading newspapers. The newspaper listed abbreviation is Multbk.

CONTACT: Peter F. Russo, senior vice president, treasurer, and CFO of Multibank, (617) 461-5590.

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#90268p8121 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Park Electrochemical Corp. (NYSE: PKE), announced today that its board of directors has authorized the corporation's purchase, on the open market and in privately negotiated transactions, of up to 500,000 shares of its common stock, representing approximately 10 percent of the corporation's outstanding common stock.

Jerry Shore, chairman of the board, said, "We believe that the purchase of Park stock at current levels represents an excellent investment opportunity for the company and its shareholders."

Park Electrochemical Corp., through its subsidiaries, is primarily a manufacturer of advanced electronic circuit materials.

CONTACT: Park Electrochemical public relations, 516-354-4100

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#90268p8126 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Forstmann & Company, Inc. has extended until 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Wednesday, September 26, 1990, the expiration date, withdrawal rights and proration period relating to its exchange offer for up to $60 million aggregate principal amount of the $100 million outstanding of its 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999 for an equal principal amount of its new split coupon (accrued interest) senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999.

As of Sept. 25, 1990, approximately $145,000 in outstanding principal amount of the 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes had been tendered for exchange and not withdrawn.

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#90268p8127 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
DENVER (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Bond International Gold, Inc. (NYSE: BIG, TSE: BG) announced today it has taken advantage of the recent run-up in gold prices to sell forward 810,000 ounces of gold at an average price of US$425 per ounce. The average contract length is approximately one year. The average spot price where the forward transactions occurred was approximately US$398 per ounce.

Mitchell T.G. Graye, Chief Financial Officer of Bond, stated, ''The primary goal we have at Bond is to lower the Company's debt to a more acceptable level in order to improve the Company's financial flexibility. The forward selling we have done will allow the Company to cut its debt in half in two years, and ensure there are enough funds available to fully exploit the Company's asset base.''

Bond's forward position for the balance of 1990, 1991 and 1992, now totals 843,000 ounces of gold at an average price of US$425 per ounce. This is approximately 1.6 years of production after allowing for mandatory repayments under Bond's gold loan.

Bond International Gold, Inc. operates five gold mines in the United States, Canada and Chile, and conducts an active exploration program in North and South America.

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Justin Industries Inc., (NASDAQ: JSTN) reported that it is currently considering the Sutherland-Rosenstein tender offer announced today. On or before Oct. 9, the Board will meet and advise its shareholders of its position with respect to the tender offer. Shareholders are asked to defer making any determination whether to accept or reject the tender offer until Justin can respond to it.

Justin Industries (NASDAQ National Market System symbol "JSTN") includes Justin Boot Company and Nocona Boot Company -- makers of famed Justin(R) and Nocona(R) footwear; Acme Brick Company -- the top domestically owned United States manufacturer of face brick; Ceramic Cooling Tower Company -- designer/builder of cooling systems for utility and commercial users, manufacturers of Permalite(R), Ultralite(R), and Unilite(R) cooling towers plus Tradewinds(R) evaporative air coolers for residential and commercial needs; Featherlite Building Products Corporation -- leading Southwest producer of concrete masonry products; and Northland Publishing Company -- publisher of fine books focused on the art and history of the American West.

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DAVIS, CALIF. (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Calgene Inc. (NASDAQ: CGNE) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $0.5625 on Calgene's $2.25 Convertible Exchangeable Preferred Stock. The dividend is payable Oct. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990.

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#90268p8139 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Erbamont Inc. said that it is informed that Italian authorities today have seized the doxorubicin production facility and supplies of doxorubicin of SICOR S.p.A., the Italian supplier of Cetus Corp. (NASDAQ: CTUS) and Ben Venue Laboratories.

In addition to impounding the plant, the authorities seized all quantities of doxorubicin found on the premises.

Principals of SICOR have been the subject of an ongoing criminal investigation initiated by the public prosecutor in Milan into allegations of conspiracy and theft of trade secrets and the doxorubicin producing strain from Erbamont's affiliate, Farmitalia Carlo Erba S.r.l. of Milan, Italy. The Italian magistrate in charge of the investigation has taken the testimony of a number of persons connected with SICOR and has received the report of a court-appointed expert who examined the SICOR facilities and production process. The seizure action taken today followed the magistrate's review of the expert's report.

"We are pleased with the action taken by the Italian authorities," Erbamont stated. "It has always been our belief that the doxorubicin sold by Cetus in the United States is the result of technology stolen by its supplier from Farmitalia Carlo Erba, which originated doxorubicin in the early 1970s." Erbamont sells doxorubicin in the United States under the trademark Adriamycin(R) through its Adria Laboratories division.

Erbamont has previously charged Cetus with infringement of its rights under a U.S. process patent, for making doxorubicin, in proceedings pending in Federal District Court in California and before the International Trade Commission (ITC). The Initial Determination of the ITC Administrative Law Judge issued in May 1990 was based solely upon Erbamont's claims that SICOR's process infringed Erbamont's U.S. process patent. Erbamont did not assert the conspiracy or theft of trade secret claims in the ITC proceeding, and accordingly those claims were not considered in the Initial Determination of

the Administrative Law Judge. The Initial Determination of the ITC Administrative Law Judge is currently under review by the full commission.

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#90268p8145 09/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - SFFed Corp. (NASDAQ: SFFD) today released the following financial highlights:

SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
AS OF AUGUST 31, 1990
(Unaudited)
(000s omitted)

	RATE (Percent)	TOTAL INTEREST EARNING ASSETS:
Investments	6.61	$161,640
Real estate loans receivable	10.51	2,720,072
Mortgage-backed securities	9.34	248,946
Consumer and other loans	12.07	156,630
Total	10.30	$3,287,288
INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES: Customer deposits:		
Regular passbooks	5.27	43,611
Money market passbooks	6.88	190,460
Demand deposits	6.11	409,155
Jumbo C.D.'s	8.32	363,013
Other C.D.'s	8.23	1,375,483
Wall Street C.D.'s	9.71	99,688
Total Deposits	7.80	2,481,410
Other	9.23	723,557
Impact of hedging activities	0	0
Total	8.11	$3,204,967
Interest bearing liabilities over (under) interest earning assets		$(82,321)

	Maturity/Rate Sensitivity			
	0-6 Months	7-12 Months	1-3 Years	Over 3 Years
INTEREST EARNING ASSETS:				
Investments	161,635	5	0	0
Real estate loans receivable	2,219,987	120,946	101,934	277,205
Mortgage-backed securities	231,402	781	2,882	13,881
Consumer and other loans	90,869	2,688	8,397	54,676
Total	2,703,893	124,420	113,213	345,762
INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES: Customer deposits:				

Regular passbooks	2,181	2,072	7,478	31,880
Money market passbooks	9,523	9,047	32,659	139,231
Demand deposits	409,155	0	0	0
Jumbo C.D.'s	218,897	124,136	13,295	6,685
Other C.D.'s	758,910	515,892	77,854	22,827
Wall Street C.D.'s	0	99,688	0	0
Total deposits	1,398,666	750,835	131,286	200,623
Other	412,723	133,873	42,717	134,244
Impact of hedging activities	100,000	0	0	(100,000)
Total	1,911,389	884,708	174,003	234,867
Interest bearing liabilities over (under) interest earning assets	(792,504)	760,288	60,790	(110,895)
Cumulative difference (gap)	(792,504)	(32,216)	28,574	(82,321)
Cumulative gap as a percentage of interest earning assets	(24.11)	(0.98)	0.87	(2.50)

	RATE (Percent)
Earning asset yield less interest bearing liability rate	2.19
Interest rate margin on earning assets	2.39
Interest rate margin on total assets	2.29

	Over 3 years OTHER
SELECTED DATA:	
Total assets	$3,437,514
Ratio of classified assets to total assets (percent)	1.58
Ratio of nonperforming assets to total assets (percent)	1.49

	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE
Loans originated	$ 87,293	644,618
Loans purchased	43	309
Loans sold	20,583	259,803
Mortgage-backed securities purchased	0	0
Mortgage-backed securities sold	0	19,089
Customer deposits, net increase (decrease)	8,656	(122,565)

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#90268t2193 09/25/1990 ~ts

ARKHANGELSK (SEPT. 25) TASS - THE LATEST IN A SPATE OF RECENT SOVIET HIJACKINGS WAS NARROWLY AVERTED EARLY THIS MORNING.

ON MONDAY NIGHT, A PASSENGER ON A LENINGRAD-ARKHANGELSK FLIGHT DEMANDED THAT THE AIRCRAFT FLY TO STOCKHOLM. HE THREATENED TO BLOW UP THE AIRCRAFT WITH A

BOMB HIDDEN IN HIS BRIEFCASE. THE AIRCRAFT WAS THEN NEARING PETROZAVODSK. THE CREW CONVINCED HIM THAT THE PLANE HAD TO LAND IN ARKHANGELSK FOR REFUELING.

AS A RESULT OF TALKS WITH THE HIJACKER, ALL 66 PASSENGERS WERE RELEASED FROM THE AIRCRAFT. AFTER THAT, A SPECIAL GROUP FROM THE ARKHANGELSK REGIONAL KGB CAPTURED THE HIJACKER.

THE HIJACKER HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS GRIGORY POLYAKOV, 53, A RESIDENT OF KHABAROVSK TERRITORY IN THE SOVIET FAR EAST. POLYAKOV HAD THREE PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS. TWO YEARS AGO, HE WAS CHARGED WITH ATTEMPTING TO LEAVE THE SOVIET UNION ILLEGALLY.

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#90268t2206 09/25/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW SEPTEMBER 25 TASS - SOVIET PRIME MINISTER NIKOLAI RYZHKOV TODAY MET HIS BULGARIAN COUNTERPART ANDREI LUKANOV, ON A WORKING VISIT IN MOSCOW.

THE TWO LEADERS AGREED THAT THE REFORMS IN THE SOVIET UNION AND BULGARIA REQUIRE THE REVISION AND THE SUBSEQUENT RENEWAL OF THE MECHANISM OF BILATERAL ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION TO MEET CONDITIONS OF MARKET RELATIONS.

THEY POINTED TO THE IMPORTANCE OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT ON THE TWO COUNTRIES' TRANSITION FROM JANUARY 1, 1991 TO A NEW MECHANISM OF MUTUAL ECONOMIC TIES AND PAYMENTS IN FREELY CONVERTIBLE CURRENCY AT CURRENT WORLD PRICES.

THE MEETING SHOWED THE HIGH DEGREE OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES ON ISSUES THE TWO LEADERS DISCUSSED AND THEIR INTEREST IN EXPANDING SOVIET-BULGARIAN COOPERATION.

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#90268t2208 09/25/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPTEMBER 25) TASS - COSMONAUTS GENNADY MANAKOV AND GENNADY STREKALOV CONTINUE WORKING ABOARD THE ORBITAL COMPLEX MIR. THE RESEARCH PROGRAM BEING IMPLEMENTED DURING THE FLIGHT INCLUDES ASTROPHYSICAL, GEOPHYSICAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL EXPERIMENTS.

BY MEANS OF THE BUKET AND GRANAT SPECTROMETERS, DESIGNED AT THE MOSCOW ENGINEERING PHYSICS INSTITUTE AND THE LENINGRAD PHYSICS AND TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE, THE COSMONAUTS GAUGE SPATIAL AND ENERGY CHARACTERISTICS OF X-RAY, GAMMA-RAY AND NEUTRON RADIATION OF COSMIC ORIGIN ALONG THE FLIGHT PATH OF THE MANNED ORBITAL COMPLEX.

UNDER THE GEOPHYSICAL RESEARCH PLAN, THE SPACE CREW GO AHEAD WITH EXPERIMENTS TO DETERMINE THE SPECTRAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE "SPACE-ATMOSHERE-SURFACE"

TRANSITIONAL ZONES IN INFRA-RED AND VISIBLE WAVEBANDS. THE COSMONAUTS USE INSTRUMENTS MOUNTED ON THE REMOTE-CONTROLLED STABILISED PLATFORM OF THE KVANT-2 MODULE.

THE COSMONAUTS LAUNCHED A 14-HOUR CYCLE TO GROW HIGH-QUALITY MONOCRYSTAL OF ZINC OXIDE ON THE GALLAR TECHNOLOGICAL INSTALLATION.

THE COSMONAUTS ARE IN GOOD HEALTH. THE FLIGHT IS PROCEEDING ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE.

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#90268t2221 09/25/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW SEPTEMBER 25 TASS - AN ATTEMPT TO HIJACK A SOVIET PASSENGER AIRLINER WAS FOILED ON MONDAY, AN OFFICIAL REPORT OF THE STATE SECURITY COMMITTEE (KGB) SAYS TODAY.

THE TUPOLEV 134 WAS ON SN INTERNAL FLIGHT FROM LENINGRAD TO ARKHANGELSK, NORTH RUSSIA, WITH 65 PASSENGERS.

aWE1/4Y MINUTES AFTER THE TAKE-OFF, ONE OF THE PASSENGERS CONVEYED A MESSAGETO THE CREW, SAYING HE HAD A BOMB AND DEMANDING THAT THE PLANE DIVERT TO STOCKHOLM.

THE CREW REPORTED THE THREAT TO$AHR CONTROLLERS AND ENTERED INTO NEGKTIATIONS WITH THE HIJACKER, AIMING TO PERSUADE HIM TO GIVE UP HIS PLANS.

CREW COMMANDER B.P. BELYAYEV, WHO WAS RADIOED THAT THE THOROUGH INSPECTION OF THE PASSENGERS AND THEIR LUGGAGE BEFORE TAKE-OFF WAS RELIABLE, DECIDED TO LBND THE PLANE IN ARKHANGELSK.

"ALL NECESSARY FORCES AND MEANS" HAD BEEN ALERTED AT THE AIRPORT BY THE TIME THE PLANE LANDED, THE KGB REPORT SAYS.

A GROWR(OF KGB OFFICERS0AETAINED THE HMJACKDR. HE WAS IDENT FIED AS G.V. POLYAKNV, 53, OF THE KHABAROVSK REGION. hE PROVED TO BE CARRYING NO BOMB.

NONE OF THE CREW OR PASSENGERS WEREHNJURED. THE ACCIDENT IS BEING INVESTIGATED.

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#90268t2229 09/25/1990 ~ts
NEW YORK (SEPT 25) TASS - ADDRESSING THE 45TH U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION TODAY, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE PROPOSED TO ITS PARTICIPANTS THAT A U.N.-SPONSORED WORLD FORUM ON THE ROLE OF THOUGHT, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN SOLVING PROBLEMS FACED BY THE PRESENU-DAY WORLD BE HELD.

"THE USSR IS PREPARED TO HOST THIS FORUM," SHEVARDNADZE STRESSED.

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#90268t2260 09/25/1990 ~ts
WINDHOEK (SEPT 25) TASS - A DELEGATION OF THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET IS NOW STAYING IN NAMIBIA. IT IS LEAD BY MEMBER OF THE PRESIDIUM OF THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET A.A. MALOFEYEV. ON TUESDAY THE DELEGATION HAD A CONVERSATION IN WINDHOEK WITH DEPUTY SPEAKER OF NAMIBIA'S NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ZEPHANIA KAMEETA AND WITH SECRETARY OF THE NATIONAL ASSDMBLY HENI VAN RENSBURG. THE SIDES INFORMED EACH OTHER OF THE PROBLEMS OF THEIR COUNTRIES AND EXCHANGED OPINIONS ON SOME INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS.

KAMEETA SAID THAT VARIOUS POLITICAL FORCES WHICH WERE RECENTLY INTOLERANT TO ONE ANOTHER ARE NOW REPRESENTED IN THE NAMIBIAN PARLIAMENT. DEPUTIES' STRIVING FOR MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING HELPED ESTABLISH SONFIDENCE IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY.

THE SOVIET DELEGATION MET WITH A GROUP OF DEPUTIES _F THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, AMONG THEM REPRESENTATIVES OF THE RULING SOUTH WEST AFRICA PEOPLE'S ORGANISATION (SWAPO) AND ALSO MEMBERS OF THE OPPOSITION.

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#90268u0070 09/25/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 25) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Toronto	84	70	.545	-	44-37	40-33	8-2	W-2
Boston	82	71	.536	1 1/2	46-27	36-44	2-8	L-2
Detroit	74	79	.484	9 1/2	36-39	38-40	5-5	W-1
Cleveland	73	81	.474	11	39-37	34-44	8-2	L-1
Baltimore	71	81	.467	12	38-39	33-42	6-4	W-6
Milwaukee	69	84	.451	14 1/2	34-39	35-45	1-9	L-7
New York	62	92	.403	22	34-41	28-51	2-8	L-1
West								
Oakland	97	56	.634	-	50-28	47-28	6-4	L-2
Chicago	89	64	.582	8	45-29	44-35	8-2	W-3
Texas	80	73	.523	17	45-31	35-42	5-5	L-3
California	76	77	.497	21	41-36	35-41	4-6	W-1
Seattle	74	80	.481	23 1/2	39-43	35-37	4-6	L-3
Kansas City	72	81	.471	25	45-34	27-47	5-5	W-3
Minnesota	70	84	.455	27 1/2	39-39	31-45	5-5	W-1

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#90268u0091 09/25/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 25) UPI - Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney in Ottawa Monday

defended his adminstration's handling of this summer's Mohawk crisis. Mulroney is under siege for what his critics call a lack of leadership. He accused militant Mohawks from the United States of ''hijacking'' a peaceful native reserve south of Montreal and launching a 10-week armed stand-off against police and soldiers.

A former Roman Catholic priest pleaded NO contest Monday to charges that he produced and appeared in child pornography films. John Bauer was sentenced to eight years in state prison. Prosecutors say Bauer operated a ring that made videotapes of young boys in Mexico and Hollywood and distributed them worldwide. A co-defendant... a former assistant Boy Scoutmaster... also pleaded NO contest to appearing in one of the films.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Baltimore at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Seattle at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at Milwaukee, 8:35 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Oakland at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
California at Texas, 8:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Atlanta at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Houston, 8:35 p.m.
San Diego at San Francisco, 10:35 p.m.

BOXING

London, England - George Foreman vs. Terry Anderson, 10, heavyweights.

GAMES

Beijing - Asian Games

TENNIS

Basel, Switzeralnd - $500,000 Swiss Indoors
Brisbane, Austrailia - $200,000 Queensland Open.

Estoril, Portugal - $100,000 Estoril Open
Palermo, Sicily - $350,000 International Championsips of Sicily

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#90268u0104 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Twenty paper mills nationwide are contaminating fish with hazardous dioxin at levels posing high cancer risks to fishermen who eat their catch, the Environmental Protection Agency said.

The EPA, estimating health risks from 104 U.S. paper mills, said Monday it had found 20 facilities threatening lifetime cancer risks greater than 1 in 10,000 for nearby residents who eat at least two quarter-pound meals each month of fish caught downstream of the plants.

The highest risk was from International Paper Co.'s mill at Georgetown, S.C., where consumption of downstream fish carried a cancer risk of 1 in 50. For heavy fish-eaters - such as subsistence fishermen - the risk could be as high as 1 in 10, EPA officials said.

The risk estimates for the 20 plants are much higher than the EPA's general goal of limiting the chance of getting cancer from dioxin contamination to 1 in 1 million or less over a lifetime of exposure.

Altogether, the EPA listed 81 mills as posing cancer risks greater than 1 in 1 million.

For the five highest-risk mills, all in the South, the EPA said moderate consumption of fish also was predicted to cause liver damage. In addition to the International Paper facility in South Carolina, those plants were Union Camp Corp. at Franklin, Va.; Buckeye Cellulose, Perry, Fla.; Weyerhauser Co., Plymouth, N.C.; and Westvaco Corp., Covington, Va.

Of the 20 high-risk plants, three are in Florida and there are two in each of these states: Maine, Virginia, Mississippi, North Carolina, Texas, California and Washington. The remaining three are in South Carolina, Arkansas and Louisiana.

The EPA is moving to reduce dioxin risks from paper mills through tougher discharge limits, but agency officials noted those stricter rules might not take effect at some plants for another three years.

They said the risk analysis pointed up the need for immediate action by states to warn fishermen near the 20 worst plants about elevated cancer risks from eating tainted fish.

''EPA suggests that states consider imposing fish consumption advisories or start site-specific monitoring programs at all streams that have a projected

risk as high as 1 in 10,000 or greater,'' Deputy EPA Administrator Henry Habicht said in a statement.

Fish consumption advisories already have been posted for nine of the 20 highest-risk plants identified by the EPA.

The risk analysis stems from a major EPA initiative to reduce dioxin residues generated in the chlorine-bleaching process used in mills to whiten wood pulp. Tiny amounts of dioxin are deposited in white paper products - such as milk cartons, coffee filters and toilet paper - and also discharged into streams in mill wastewater.

In April, the EPA and Food and Drug Administration issued preliminary health risk estimates for affected consumer products. The agencies said eating contaminated fish generally carried the highest cancer risks.

Scientists have longed considered dioxin a very hazardous substance, posing significant cancer risk at even minute levels. However, some federal health officials recently told Congress dioxin's dangers have been greatly exaggerated.

Despite the controversy, Habicht said the EPA would press ahead with efforts to reduce dioxin discharges.

''The overall risk of dioxin to human health and aquatic systems requires the precautionary actions we are taking, even though the scientific basis for estimating dioxin cancer risk and the mill-based specific risk numbers themselves may be changing,'' he said.

The EPA is rewriting wastewater discharge permits for 66 paper mills to tighten limits on dioxin residues. The affected plants - including the 20 highest-risk facilities - are supposed to meet the stricter discharge rules by June 1993.

The EPA's initiative is complicated by disputes with several states over how much to tighten limits. EPA officials recently challenged Georgia's proposed dioxin limits as too lax.

State officials have primary responsibility for setting and enforcing water quality standards but the EPA has oversight powers.

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#90268u0125 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Pope John Paul II released the Vatican's long-awaited - and feared - norms for Roman Catholic universities and colleges Tuesday, restricting the range of permissible dissent from church doctrine.

Contained in a 49-page Apostolic Constituion, the norms declare that Catholic colleges and universities must, as part of their identity, include ''a recognition of and adherence to the teaching authority of the church in matters of faith and morals.''

It is the first papal document ever issued for the entire Catholic higher educational community throughout the world, a system of some 950 colleges and universities, including 230 in the United States.

The document appears to heighten the local bishop's power to safeguard doctrinal obedience at centers for higher learning within their dioceses.

''The church, accecpting the legitimate autonomy of human culture and especially of the sciences, recognizes the academic freedom of scholars in each discipline in accordance with its own principles and proper methods, and within the confines of the truth and common good,'' the pope said.

Earlier drafts of the statement, circulated in 1985 and 1989, were greeted with alarm and protest by Catholic educators in the United States, including presidents, adminsitrators, theologians and teachers.

Catholic education leaders have made a number of trips to Rome in an effort to forge a compromise between the Vatican's earlier insistence of strict obedience to its view of doctrinal truth and the role academic freedom plays in college and university life in the United States.

In the United States, the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities cautiously accepted the document, noting that concerns raised by U.S. educators had been included in the new text. Specifically, the document recognizes the institutional autonomy of a school and the notion of academic freedom.

Sister Alice Gallin, executive director of the association, called the new document ''a call to renewal for those who believe in the distinctive character of a Catholic university.''

Many of the Catholic institutions of higher learning the United States receive significant amounts of public and other non-Catholic funding.

The University of Dayton, a Catholic school with a 1989 budget of $123 million - including $10 million in federal aid and $3.5 million in Ohio student grants - was especially concerned about earlier versions of the Vatican document that severely restricted acadmemic freedom.

In particular, educators are concerned about the implications of the church applying canon 812 of the Code of Canon Law (the rules governing the church), which require Catholic theologians to teach only material that is approved by the bishops and the Vatican.

While the new rules do not stress canon 812, it does make use of it in insisting ''Catholic theologians ... are to be faithful to the Magesterium (teaching authority) of the church as the authentic interpreter of sacred Scripture and sacred tradition.''

It also gives local bishops ''the right and duty to watch over the preservation and strengthening'' of a school's Catholic ''character'' and the power to ''take the iniatives necessary to resolve'' issues that might be counter to Catholic teaching.

A number of incidents in recent years have pitted Catholic scholars against Vatican teaching.

In the most celebrated case, the Rev. Charles Curran was stripped of his ''mandate'' as an official Catholic theoligan while at the Catholic University of America because of his dissent from official church teaching on such issues as birth control, abortion, homosexuality and premarital sex.

But the church did not invoke canon 812 in the Curran case because it indicates authorities external to the university can interfere with its affairs, a violation of academic freedom.

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#90268u0132 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - A Pentagon report released Tuesday showed that estimated Soviet defense spending dropped by as much as 5 percent last year, but warned that ''risk remains'' from a nuclear superpower in domestic turmoil.

''Prudence demands that we focus on the most dangerous challenge to our national security,'' Defense Secretary Dick Cheney wrote in the preface of the 111-page annual publication titled ''Soviet Military Power.''

''The military might of the Soviet Union is enormous and remains targeted on the United States and our allies,'' said Cheney. ''Furthermore the threat is no longer clear cut; the implications of change within the Soviet Union are not completely known.''

Cheney said U.S. intelligence estimates Soviet military spending declined up to 5 percent in real terms in 1989. The annual publication noted the scheduled Soviet troop withdrawals from Eastern Europe.

''Soviet 1989 output of military materiel generally fell from 1988, mirroring (Soviet President Mikhail) Gorbachev's January 1989 announcement that output would be reduced,'' the book said.

''The most pronounced cuts occurred in ground forces materiel. Output of

strategic systems was generally level while the number of naval surface units produced actually rose. The production of submarines remained the same.

''The deepest cut occurred in the production of the premier offensive ground forces weapon, the tank; output was halved from 3,400, as the Soviets had announced, to about 1,700 - which is still twice the annual NATO production,'' the book said.

The Soviets also cut production of bombers and fighters, the Pentagon said.

Cheney emphasized that the Soviets have continued to modernize their strategic nuclear weapons.

''The Soviet intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) force is undergoing a complete upgrade,'' he said. ''The includes the continued deployment of the SS-24, a multiple-warhead missile deployed in both fixed and mobile version, the mobile SS-25, and the new version of the SS-18, which carries 10 warheads.''

The book, noting its cover picture of a nuclear submarine, said the Soviets launched a seventh Delta IV-class strategic ballistic missile sub in 1990 and that additional subs, equipped with 16 multiple-warhead ballistic missiles, are expected to enter the fleet this decade.

''The ninth edition of Soviet Military Power is published at a time of unprecedented economic and political turmoil in the Soviet Union,'' Cheney said.

''With that turmoil,'' he added, ''has come an unusual degree of uncertainty about the future course of the Kremlin's enormous military structure.''

The Pentagon said, ''The immediate threat of a Soviet-Warsaw Pact multipronged armored thrust that pushes NATO into the Atlantic is nearly gone. What remains is a Soviet Union with modern, increasingly capable conventional and nuclear weapons and chemical-biological warfare capability.

''These weapons are controlled by a government that is being increasingly challenged at home and which cannot count on any support for offensive operations from its erstwhile allies. Responding to the threat is now complicated by the uncertain course of events in the Soviet Union.''

The Pentagon said the new environment presents the United States and the West with an opportunity to secure the positive trends toward freedom.

''The United States must continue to encourage positive change, while maintaining the capability and flexibility to cope with - and deter - a still vast Soviet military capability at a moment of turmoil and uncertainty,'' the report concluded.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - A special congressional commission recommended Tuesday that the federal government develop a universial health care program, but the panel's members failed to agree on how to raise the estimated $70 billion annually it would cost to pay for such a plan.

Under the health care plan released by the 15-member Pepper Commission, the federal government would be required to cover the unemployed and the poor through a program that replaces and expands medicaid.

The commission recommended that employers with more than 100 workers provide coverage to its employees and that the federal government use tax credits or subsidies to encourage smaller firms to do the same.

If small businesses do not provide coverage after five years of a plan, they would be forced to do so.

The report also recommended a plan for government-supported long-term health care in the home, community-based facilities and nursing homes for the elderly and disabled.

The report is virtually identical to the commission's preliminary finding released last March. The final report includes many of the same dissenting comments from commission members.

The Pepper Commission was named for its first chairman, the late Rep. Claude Pepper, D-Fla. It was established by Congress to recommend a plan to assure the availability of comprehensive health care for all Americans and long-term health care for the elderly and disabled.

The plan would cost the federal government $70 billion in new spending, according to the final report, which said there are an estimated 30 million Americans who do not have health insurance.

Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., hailed the report as ''a sound, sensible approach to dealing with the nation's health care challenge.''

Commission Chairman Sen. John Rockefeller, D-W.Va., said, ''With this report, the commission has fulfilled this task. Now the commission calls for action from the Congress and the president to turn its recommendations into law.''

But that will not be an easy task, since the commission experienced deep divisions.

An 8-7 majority approved recommendations for access and financing of health

care for those under age 65. Recommendations concerning long-term health care and health care for the elderly received 11-4 votes.

A spokesman for Health Secretary Louis Sullivan said the secretary stood by his remarks following the release of the preliminary report.

Sullivan said: ''This divergence (of views among commission members) reflects the simple fact that there is no consensus in our country today on how to achieve the kind of health care system we want, or how the cost of improvements in our system should be borne.'' Sullivan opposes national health insurance.

Rep. Pete Stark, D-Calif., admonished fellow commission members for failing to state precisely how the $70 billion should be raised. The report offers several options, but fails to take a stand on a specific approach.

''My fellow commissioners who support this section of the report must believe in a 'health care fairy' who will place vouchers under beneficiaries' pillows '' said Stark in his dissenting statement.

Commission member John Cogan of the Hoover Institute, who contended the majority's proposals are not viable, agreed with Stark.

''The majority's proposed solutions to the lack of affordable health insurance and long-term care both suffer from the same fundamental flaw - a failure to specify how they would be paid for,'' Cogan said. ''Given the present state of our federal finances, it is critical that any proposals for new programs be accompanied by a practicable plan to finance them.''

Rep. Louis Stokes, D-Ohio, who voted for all parts of the plan, said ''making definitive recommendations about taxes was not necessarily within the purview of our jurisdiction.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Quitting smoking is the ''single most important step'' smokers can take to extend their lives, with those who stop before age 50 halving the risk of dying in the next 15 years of their lives, Surgeon General Antonia Novello reported Tuesday.

In her first report on smoking since taking over the post from vocal tobacco foe C. Everett Koop in March, Novello emphasized the ''good news'' about the health benefits of stopping smoking, rather than scaring Americans with the ''bad news'' of smoking-related diseases and death.

About 38 million Americans have kicked the habit - about half of all living adults who ever smoked. However, another 50 million Americans still smoke and

an estimated 390,000 people die each year from diseases caused by smoking.

''Smoking cessation has major and immediate health benefits for men and women of all ages. People who quit smoking live longer than those who continue to smoke,'' Novello said in her 628-page report.

People who stop smoking before age 50 have just half the risk of dying in the next 15 years compared with continuing smokers, the report said. Even older smokers can reap benefits, with the risk of death falling about 10 percent over the 15 years for an otherwise healthy man who quits smoking between the ages of 60 and 64.

Stopping smoking increases life expectancy because it reduces the risk of smoking-related disorders like lung cancer, coronary heart disease and stroke, as well as ulcers and other potentially fatal lung and artery diseases.

After quitting smoking, people gain only about 5 pounds on average and less than 4 percent gain more than 20 pounds, the report said. Kicking the habit can also cause anxiety, irritability, frustration, anger and other signs of increased stress in many people.

Despite those drawbacks, the report concluded the health benefits ''far exceed'' any possible health problems related to a few extra pounds or relatively short-lived psychological symptoms.

Brennan Dawson, a spokeswoman for the Tobacco Institute, said the industry group had no official response to the report, but believes smokers are ''capable of making their own individual decisions about whether or not they want to quit.''

The report, which has been issued annually since 1964, targeted the elderly, pregnant women, and people who already have smoking-related diseases as groups in which smoking cessation efforts urgently need to be bolstered.

Some older people ''may believe they are no longer at risk of smoking-related diseases because they have survived smoking for many years. Others may believe that any damage may have been caused by smoking is irreversible after decades of smoking,'' Novello warned.

About 7 million Americans age 60 or older still smoke, although smoking is a major risk factor for six of the 14 leading causes of death among the elderly, the report said.

As for pregnant women, the report said: ''Prevalence of smoking during pregnancy has declined over time but remains unacceptably high.''

About 25 percent of pregnant American women smoke throughout pregnancy. Studies have shown women who smoke beyond the first three to four months of

pregnancy have double the risk of having an underweight baby as non-smokers, and also face a greater chance their fetus or baby will die.

Smokers whose habit has already created health problems sometimes keep on puffing away ''because of a belief the damage is already done,'' Novello said.

However, the report points out that stopping smoking can yield important health benefits even to patients who already suffer from smoking-related illneses.

Studies have found coronary heart disease patients who stop smoking reduce their risk of recurrent heart attack by 50 percent or more. In addition, the report said some research suggests ''even smokers who have already developed cancer may benefit from smoking.''

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Finley rf	2	0	1	1	Sax 2b	4	1	2	1
Devereaux cf	4	0	1	0	Azocar rf	4	1	1	0
Anderson cf	4	0	1	1	Balboni ph	1	0	0	0
CRipken ss	4	1	1	1	Walewndr 3b	0	0	0	0
Horn dh	4	0	1	0	Mattingly 1b	5	0	1	1
Gallagher pr	0	1	0	0	Maas dh	5	0	3	1
Orsulak lf	3	0	1	0	Barfield cf	3	0	0	0
McKnight rf	1	0	1	0	Nokes c	5	0	0	0
Tettleton c	4	1	0	0	Meulens lf	4	1	2	0
Segui 1b	4	1	1	0	Velarde 3b	3	0	0	0
Gomez 3b	3	1	1	0	Tolleson ss	1	0	0	0
BRipken 2b	5	1	2	2	Cerone ph	1	0	0	0
					Espinoza ss	0	0	0	0
					Kelly cf	2	0	0	0
Totals	38	6	11	5	Totals	38	3	9	3

Baltimore	030	000	000	3-	6
New York	002	000	010	0-	3

E-Mesa, Sax, Barfield. DP-Baltimore 1, New York 2. LOB-Baltimore 10, New York 12. 2B-Horn, Sax, Meulens 2, Devereaux, B Ripken. HR-C Ripken (19). SB-Anderson (13), C Ripken (2), Sax (38). S-Velarde, McKnight.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						

Mesa	7	8	2	2	4	3
Schilling	2-3	1	1	1	1	1
Hickey	1	0	0	0	0	1
Bautista (W 1-0)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Olson (S 34)	1	0	0	0	1	1
New York						
Leiter	4	7	3	3	3	5
Guetterman	5	2	0	0	0	4
Mills (L 1-5)	2-3	2	3	3	3	1
Monteleone	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Leiter pitched to two batters in the fifth inning.

PB-Nokes. HBP-C Ripken by Leiter.

Umpires-Home, Evans; 1b, Welke; 2b, Coble; 3b, Ford.

T-4:05. A-17,084.

TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson cf	4	0	0	0	Molitor 1b	5	0	0	0
Williams cf	1	0	0	0	Gantner 2b	5	1	3	0
Fernandez ss	5	2	2	0	Yount cf	5	1	1	0
Gruber 3b	4	1	1	1	Parker dh	4	0	0	0
McGriff 1b	3	2	0	0	Vaughn lf	2	0	0	1
Bell dh	5	1	5	2	Surhoff c	4	1	2	0
Ducey lf	4	1	1	2	Deer rf	3	1	1	1
Whiten rf	5	1	1	2	Sveum 3b	4	1	2	2
Myers c	3	0	0	0	Spiers ss	4	0	1	1
Lee 2b	4	1	2	1					
Totals	38	9	12	8	Totals	36	5	10	5

Toronto	012	021	021-	9
Milwaukee	000	010	220-	5

E-Surhoff, Sveum. DP-Milwaukee 1. LOB-Toronto 7, Milwaukee 7. 2B-Bell 2, Ducey. HR-Whiten (2), Sveum (1). SB-T Fernandez (22), Gruber (14), Bell (3). SF- Vaughn, Ducey.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Key (W 12-7)	7	5	3	3	2	5
Candelaria	2-3	3	2	2	0	1
Henke (S 31)	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	1

Milwaukee							
Navarro (L 7-7)	4	2-3	7	5	5	2	4
Mirabella	2	1-3	1	1	1	0	1
Crim	1	1-3	3	2	2	1	1
Elvira		0	0	1	1	1	0
Machado		2-3	1	0	0	0	0

Elvira pitched to 1 batter in the 9th.

Umpires- Home, Reed; 1b, Cooney; 2b, Brinkman; 3b, Cousins.

T-3:10. A-8,769.

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
RHendersn lf	5	0	1	0	Thurman rf	5	0	0	1
Weiss ss	3	1	0	0	Seitzer 3b	4	2	2	1
Baines dh	3	0	0	0	Brett 1b	3	1	0	0
McGwire 1b	4	1	2	2	Tartabull dh	5	0	2	2
Jennings rf	2	0	0	0	Shumpert pr	0	0	0	0
Steinbach c	1	0	0	0	Macfarlane c	4	1	2	1
Quirk c	2	0	1	0	Wilson lf	4	2	3	0
Bordick 3b	1	0	0	0	Stillwell ss	5	2	2	4
Randolph 2b	4	0	2	1	White 2b	4	1	2	0
Blanknshp 3b	2	0	0	0	McRae cf	4	1	2	1
DHendersn rf	0	0	0	0					
Howitt ph	1	0	0	0					
Gallego rf	0	0	0	0					
Lewis cf	2	1	0	0					
Hassey ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	31	3	6	3	Totals	38	10	15	10

Oakland	010	000	200- 3
Kansas City	000	060	31x-10

E-R. Henderson, Quirk. DP-Oakland 1, Kansas City 1. LOB-Oakland 8, Kansas City 9. 2B-McGwire, Randolph, R. Henderson, Stillwell, McRae, Seitzer. HR-Stillwell (3). SB-White (1), Lewis (1).

	IP		H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland							
Young (L 9-6)	4	1-3	7	6	6	2	1
Burns	1	2-3	4	0	0	1	2
Harris		2	4	4	4	1	2
Kansas City							
Gordon (W 12-11)	6	2-3	5	3	3	6	6

MDavis	1	1-3	1	0	0	1	0
Montgomery		1	0	0	0	0	1

WP-Harris. HBP-by Harris (Macfarlane).

Umpires-Home, Voltaggio; 1b, McKean; 2b, Kaiser; 3b, Johnson.

T-2:57. A-27,630.

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Polonia lf	4	0	1	0	Kunkel ss	4	0	0	0
Venable lf	0	0	0	0	Huson ph	1	0	0	0
Hill 2b	4	1	1	0	Franco 2b	3	0	1	0
Downing dh	3	0	1	0	Gonzalez cf	2	1	1	0
Winfield rf	3	0	0	1	Sierra rf	3	0	0	0
Stevens 1b	3	1	0	0	Incaviglia lf	3	0	1	1
Parrish c	4	1	1	2	Palmeiro 1b	3	1	1	1
Howell 3b	3	0	0	0	Stanley c	1	0	0	0
Schofield ss	3	0	0	0	Daugherty ph	1	0	1	0
White cf	3	0	0	0	Belcher pr	0	0	0	0
					Russell dh	3	0	0	0
					Reimer ph	1	0	0	0
					Buechele 3b	3	0	0	0
					Petralli ph	0	0	0	0
					Green pr	0	0	0	0
Totals	30	3	4	3	Totals	28	2	5	2

California	000	000	201- 3
Texas	000	100	001- 2

E-Schofield. DP-California 1. LOB-California 3, Texas 8. 2B-Hill. HR-Parrish (22), Palmeiro (14). SB-Stevens (1). S- Palmeiro. SF-Winfield.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Langston (W 10-16)	8 1-3	4	2	2	7	8
Harvey (S 24)	2-3	1	0	0	1	0
Texas						
Ryan (L 13-8)	9	4	3	3	2	11

Umpires-Home, Merrill; 1b, McClelland; 2b, Denkinger; 3b, Shulock.

T-2:44. A-12,504.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - Crude oil prices surged near record levels Monday. Analysts blamed the Persian Gulf crisis for a war-time buyer's mentality that shot oil prices up almost three dollars a barrel. One price on the European spot market cleared 40 dollars for a barrel. The U-S benchmark price topped 38 dollars. Oil experts say Iraq's weekend threats to attack Saudi Arabia and Israel have caused people to buy out of fear.

Supreme Court nominee David Souter won votes of confidence Monday from two Senators whose votes had been considered up for grabs. Democratic Senators Howell Heflin of Alabama and Dennis DeConcini of Arizona strongly endorsed Souter. Heflin said those who demand Souter's ''precise views'' are ''wrong.'' But Democrat Alan Cranston of California says he will vote against Souter because he says the nominee considers abortion an ''open question.''

Thailand reports that at least 42 people died when the driver of a tank truck tried to beat a red light and flipped over on a turn... causing a series of explosions. The truck spewed gasoline onto a Bangkok street where it exploded several times... incinerating 47 cars and 30 shops. An American who witnessed the accident said he saw one man with his body burned white who lay down and said ''let me die.''

A prosecutor said Monday that blood and a knife were found in the clothes of a youth charged in the murder of a Utah man on a New York subway earlier this month. The assistant D-A said the ringleader of the gang also made written and videotaped confessions about stabbing the man who tried to defend his parents after a mugging. Brian Watkins was the 18th person killed in the city's subway system this year.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - Ryne Sandberg's milestone could prove to be New York's millstone.

Sandberg regained the National League home run lead with his 38th of the year, sparking a three-run sixth inning Monday that helped the Chicago Cubs damage New York's title hopes with a 4-3 victory over the Mets.

With the Cubs trailing 3-1 in the sixth, Sandberg, trying to become the first NL second baseman to lead the league in homers since Rogers Hornsby in 1925, hit a home run.

''It just felt good hitting a home run against the Mets,'' Sandberg said. ''It's kind of fun to play the last games against the Pirates and the Mets. We want to make it tough on somebody.''

The loss dropped New York three games behind idle Pittsburgh in the NL East and lowered the Pirates' magic number to seven for clinching the division. Both teams have nine games left, including three in Pittsburgh Oct. 1-3.

New York starter Frank Viola, 19-11, failed in his second attempt at his 20th victory. Paul Assenmacher, 7-2, went 3 2-3 relief innings for the victory.

''I was getting a little excited - I like beating the Mets,'' Assenmacher said.

''I had a 3-1 lead. I'm expected to hold onto it,'' Viola said. ''It's frustrating.''

What's even more puzzling to Viola is the team's internal struggle.

''The guys in this clubhouse remind me a lot of the '87 Twins (who won the World Series) as far as the camaraderie goes,'' Viola said. ''But once we get across the lines, it just stops. I don't know what it is. We have to take it among ourselves to keep it (drive) going.''

Mark Grace and Andre Dawson followed with singles, and Grace scored on Luis Salazar's single down the left-field line, tying the score 3-3. Shawon Dunston hit into a double play, but Dawson reached third and scored on Doug Dascenzo's single.

In other games, Philadelphia defeated Montreal 3-0, Los Angeles outlastedHouston 7-5 in 11 innings and San Francisco beat San Diego 3-1.

In the American League, it was: Kansas City 10, Oakland 3; Toronto 9, Milwaukee 5; California 3, Texas 2; and Baltimore 6, New York 3 in 10 innings.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Phillies 3, Expos 0

At Philadelphia, Pat Combs pitched a four-hitter, helping the Phillies complete a four-game series sweep that effectively knocked Montreal from the race. The loss dropped the third-place Expos seven games behind first-place Pittsburgh with nine to play. Montreal would have to win every one to reach 90 victories. The eventual division winner will capture at least 89.

Dodgers 7, Astros 5, 11 innings

At Houston, Mike Sharperson tripled in Alfredo Griffin with the go- ahead run in the 11th inning, keeping Los Angeles' pennant hopes alive. The Dodgers' victory pulled them to within 4 1-2 games of Cincinnati in the NL West and kept the Reds' magic number at five to clinch the division.

Giants 3, Padres 1

At San Francisco, Robby Thompson doubled in the go-ahead run in the fifth inning to lift the Giants. Kelly Downs, 2-2, recorded his second victory over the Padres since coming off the disabled list Aug. 10. Steve Bedrosian notched his 14th save. Derek Lilliquist, 4-11, was the loser.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Johnson ss	4	1	1	1	Walton cf	4	0	0	0
Magadan 1b	4	0	0	0	Sandberg 2b	4	1	2	1
Reed pr	0	0	0	0	Grace 1b	4	1	2	0
Jefferies 3b	5	0	2	0	Dawson rf	4	1	2	0
Strawberry rf	5	0	1	0	Salazar 3b	4	0	1	1
McReynlds lf	4	2	3	2	Dunston ss	3	1	0	0
Herr 2b	4	0	2	0	Dascenzo lf	3	0	2	1
Boston cf	4	0	1	0	Girardi c	3	0	1	1
O'Brien c	2	0	0	0	Lancaster p	1	0	0	0
Teufel ph	1	0	0	0	Villanueva ph	1	0	0	0
Hundley c	0	0	0	0	Kramer p	0	0	0	0
Viola p	2	0	0	0	Assenmchr p	1	0	0	0
Tabler ph	1	0	0	0					
Innis p	0	0	0	0					
Miller ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	37	3	10	3	Totals	32	4	10	4

New York	010	101	000-	3
Chicago	000	013	00x-	4

E-Jefferies 2, Dunston. DP-New York 2, Chicago 1. LOB-New York 10, Chicago 4. 2B-Grace. HR-McReynolds 2 (24), Johnson (23), Sandberg (38). SB-Dunston (24), Girardi (8). S-O'Brien.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Viola (L 19-11)	6	8	4	3	0	3
Innis	2	2	0	0	0	1
Chicago						
Lancaster	5	3	2	2	0	2
Kramer	1-3	2	1	1	0	0
Assenmacher (W 7-2)	3 2-3	5	0	0	2	4

WP-Assenmacher. PB-Girardi.

Umpires- Home, Bonin; 1b, Rennert; 2b, Tata; 3b, Quick.

T-2:54. A-12,489.

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Raines lf	4	0	0	0	Campusan cf	4	0	1	0
DeShields 2b	4	0	1	0	Ready 2b	3	1	0	0
Galarraga 1b	4	0	0	0	Hayes 3b	4	0	1	0
Wallach 3b	4	0	0	0	Murphy rf	4	0	1	1
Grissom rf	3	0	0	0	Jordan 1b	4	1	2	0
Nixon cf	3	0	0	0	Thon ss	4	0	2	0
Mohorcic p	0	0	0	0	Chamberln lf	4	1	1	0
Mercado c	3	0	1	0	Nieto c	4	0	1	1
Owen ss	3	0	2	0	Combs p	3	0	1	1
Barnes p	2	0	0	0					
Alou cf	1	0	0	0					
Totals	31	0	4	0	Totals	34	3	10	3

Montreal	000	000	000- 0
Philadelphia	010	011	00x- 3

LOB-Montreal 4, Philadelphia 8. 2B- Owen. SB-Hayes (4), DeShields (40), Chamberlain 2 (2).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Barnes (L 0-1)	6	10	3	3	1	8
Mohorcic	2	0	0	0	0	1
Philadelphia						
Combs (W 10-9)	9	4	0	0	0	4

WP-Barnes.

Umpires-Home, Froemming; 1b, Pulli; 2b, Rippley; 3b, Darling.

T-2:09. A-11,527.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Harris 3b	6	0	1	1	Yelding cf	6	1	3	0
Gibson cf	4	0	1	0	Candaele 2b	5	1	2	0
Daniels lf	4	0	3	1	Biggio c	5	0	1	1
Offerman pr	0	1	0	0	Davis 1b	4	0	1	1

Dempsey c	1	0	0	0	Stubbs lf	4	2	3	1
Gott p	1	0	0	0	Caminiti 3b	5	1	1	0
Murray 1b	5	0	2	0	Davidson rf	3	0	0	0
Brooks rf	4	1	1	0	Anthony rf	1	0	0	0
Scioscia c	3	0	1	0	Ramirez ss	5	0	2	2
Javier lf	2	1	1	0	Portugal p	3	0	0	0
Samuel 2b	3	1	1	2	Agosto p	0	0	0	0
Howell p	0	0	0	0	XHernandz p	0	0	0	0
Poole p	0	0	0	0	Young ph	1	0	0	0
CHernandz c	1	0	0	0	Meyer p	0	0	0	0
Griffin ss	4	1	0	0	Gonzalez ph	1	0	0	0
Valenzuela p	2	1	1	1	Smith p	0	0	0	0
Gwynn ph	1	0	0	0					
Crews p	0	0	0	0					
Sharpersn 3b	2	1	1	1					
Totals	43	7	13	6	Totals	43	5	13	5

Los Angeles	002	000	030	02-	7
Houston	011	010	020	00-	5

E-Yelding 2, Valenzuela. DP-Los Angeles 2, Houston 1. LOB-Los Angeles 7, Houston 10. 2B-Stubbs, Candaele. 3B-Sharperson. HR-Stubbs (20). SB-Yelding 3 (61), Samuel 2 (37), Caminiti (8), Gibson (26). Harris. S-Biggio.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Valenzuela	6	9	3	3	1	1
Crews	1 1-3	2	2	2	0	2
Howell	1	2	0	0	1	0
Poole	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Gott (W 3-4)	2 1-3	0	0	0	0	2
Houston						
Portugal	7 1-3	6	3	3	2	6
Agosto	1-3	2	2	2	1	0
XHernandez	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Meyer	2	2	0	0	0	0
Smith (L 5-6)	1	2	2	2	1	1

Balk-Valenzuela. HBP-Caminiti by Howell.

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, West; 2b, Hallion; 3b, Marsh.

T-3:52. A-6,936.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi

Cora ss	4	0	0	0	Butler cf	4	1	2	0
Faries 2b	3	0	0	0	Thompson 2b	4	0	1	1
JaClark 1b	3	0	0	0	WClark 1b	3	1	3	1
JCarter lf	2	1	1	0	Mitchell lf	4	0	0	0
Lynn rf	3	0	1	0	MaWillims 3b	3	0	0	0
JeClark rf	1	0	0	0	Litton rf	3	0	0	0
Santiago c	4	0	2	1	Oliveras p	0	0	0	0
Pagliarulo 3b	4	0	0	0	Riles ph	1	0	0	0
Jackson cf	3	0	1	0	Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0
Lilliquist p	1	0	0	0	Decker c	4	0	0	0
Roberts ph	1	0	0	0	Benjamin ss	3	1	1	0
Show p	0	0	0	0	Downs p	1	0	0	0
					Kingery rf	1	0	1	0
Totals	29	1	5	1	Totals	31	3	8	2

San Diego	000	100	000- 1
San Francisco	000	120	00x- 3

DP-San Francisco 2. LOB-San Diego 6, San Francisco 7. 2B-J Carter, Thompson. HR-W Clark (19). SB-Jackson (3). S- Lilliquist, Downs.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Lilliquist (L 4-11)	6	6	3	3	1	3
Show	2	2	0	0	0	3
San Francisco						
Downs (W 2-2)	6	4	1	1	3	2
Oliveras	2	1	0	0	1	1
Bedrosian (S 14)	1	0	0	0	0	0

WP-Lilliquist. HBP-Williams by Show.

Umpires-Home, Layne; 1b, Runge; 2b, Hohn; 3b, Davis.

T-2:32. A-9,922.

-30- 6789
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(SEPT. 25) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Cleveland - Claimed pitcher Alex Sanchez on waivers from Toronto to complete trade that sent pitcher Bud Black to Toronto for pitcher Mauro Gozzo.

New York (AL) - Granted waivers to outfielder Deion Sanders for the purpose of giving him his unconditional release; named Brian Sabean vice president of player developement and scouting and Bill Livesey director of scouting; promoted Brian Cashman to assistant to director of minor- league operations.

Sun City Rays (Senior Baseball League) - Named Fred Stanley director of player personnel; signed pitchers Rollie Fingers, Lerrin Lagrow, Jim Umbarger, Bo McLaughlin, Jack Lazorko, Bob Owchinko and Ron Davis; catcher Bill Hayes; first Baseman Pete Lacock; shortstops Guy Sularz and Bert Campaneris; infielder Alan Bannister; and Outfielder Joe Charboneau.

COLLEGE

Bentley - Named Don Moorhead golf coach.

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Activated nose tackle Tony Casillas; waived cornerback Williams Evers.

Hamilton (CFL) - Fired head coach Al Bruno; named David Beckman interim head coach.

LA Raiders - Activated safety Vann McElroy; placed cornerback Garry Lewis on injured reserve.

NFL - Reinistated nose tackle Brian Sochia to Miami's roster after a five-week suspension for testing positive for steroids.

Pittsburgh - Activated tight end Eric Green; waived cornerback Richard Shelton.

Washington - Signed quarterback Gary Hogeboom.

World League of American Football - Named Joe Collier competition consultant.

HOCKEY

Boston - Assigned goalie Matt DelGuidice and winger Jeff Lazaro to Maine Mariners of the AHL.

Minnesota - Released defensemen Derian Hatcher and Laurie Billeck, centers Cal McGowan and Murray Garbutt, right wings Troy Binnie and Doug Barrault and goalie Rod Houk.

NY Rangers - Signed forward Darren Turcotte.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - NFL SCORING SUMMARY:

Buffalo	7	13	3	7--30
NY Jets	7	0	0	0-- 7

FIRST QUARTER
NYJ-Baxter 1 run (Leahy kick), 7:15
Buf-Davis 1 run (Norwood kick), 11:04

SECOND QUARTER
Buf-Rolle 2 pass from Kelly (Norwood kick), 4:48
Buf-FG Norwood 48, 11:55
Buf-FG Norwood 42, 15:00

THIRD QUARTER
Buf-FG Norwood 27, 10:10

FOURTH QUARTER
Buf-McKeller 6 pass from Kelly (Norwood kick), 8:26

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	Buf	NYJ
First downs	23	17
Rushes-yards	35--292	29--124
Passing yards	159	125
Sacked-yards lost	2--15	3--28
3rd down eff.	2--11--18.1	4--13--30.8
4th down eff.	1--1--100.0	0--2--0.0
Passes	16--26--1	15--30--0
Punts	4--32.8	6--42.8
Punt returns-yds	1--5	0--0
KO returns-yds	2--46	6--116
Fumbles-lost	0--0	3--2
Penalties-yards	7--86	7--55
Time of possession	30:49	29:11

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-Buffalo-T.Thomas 18-214, Mueller 8-42, Davis 7-31, D.Smith 1-3, Kelly 1-2. NY Jets-Baxter 7-36, B.Thomas 6-31, Hector 10-24, McNeil 3-21, O'Brien 3-12.

PASSING-Buffalo-Kelly 16-26-1-174. NY Jets-O'Brien 15-30-0-153.

RECEIVING-Buffalo-McKeller 3-60, Reed 3-47, D.Smith 3-26, T.Thomas 3-5, Lofton 1-20, Metzelaars 1-8, Mueller 1-6, Rolle 1-2. NY Jets-Burkett 4-39, Moore 3-41

Townsell 2-29, Boyer 2-20, Toon 2-17, Dressel 1-5, B.Thomas 1-2.

SACKS-Buffalo-B.Smith 2-18, Seal 1-10. NY Jets-Lageman 1-8, Byrd 1-7.

INTERCEPTIONS-Buffalo-None. NY Jets- Hasty 1-0.

Missed field goals: Buffalo, Norwood 24.

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CAIRO, Egypt (SEPT. 25) UPI - Iraqi troops taking control of Kuwaiti hospitals have removed terminal patients and taken newborn babies from incubators, leaving them to die, said a group of Egyptian doctors returning from Kuwait.

The six doctors, speaking at a Kuwaiti-organized news conference Monday, also said the emirate's health system is in tatters after the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion and that some Iraqi soldiers had inflicted wounds on themselves to avoid combat.

The doctors said some American and British doctors remain in Kuwait but changed their hiding places regularly to avoid capture by Iraqi troops and detention as hostages.

''Most American and British doctors have already left Kuwait following the Iraqi invasion,'' said Dr. Farid Ghezawi, an allergy specialist. ''But a number of Western doctors are still hiding and changing their places on a daily basis.''

One doctor said Iraqi troops threw terminal patients out of intensive care units and removed newborn babies from incubators, leaving them to die.

''The Iraqi soldiers entered the hospital and removed terminal patients from their wards, even removing newborn babies from incubators and leaving them to die,'' said Dr. Yehia Mohamed Ahmed, who worked as an anaesthetist at Kuwait's El Jahra general hospital.

Ghezawi, for his part, said, ''Priority is given to the Iraqi soldiers, but operations at the hospital have now stopped. Even cancer patients were taken out of the hospital and most of them died as a result.''

Egyptian dermatologist Dr. Ibrahim el Siyyad said, ''Mentally- retarded children and patients receiving psychiatric treatment at one of the hospitals were deprived of food and handicapped patients were thrown out.

''Even pregnant Kuwaiti women were not admitted to hospitals to deliver their babies,'' he said.

''We were working without any guarantees the Iraqi soldiers would not attack us, and some doctors were attacked,'' he added.

Ahmed meanwhile said Iraqi troops wanted to use the hospitals as army barracks and transport advanced equipment to Iraq.

''The Iraqis wanted to use the hospital as a barracks and remove advanced medical equipment to Iraq,'' Ahmed told reporters. ''They stole the food of the patients and these people are dying from lack of food, not because of a shortage of medicine.''

One Egyptian doctor at Kuwait's El Addan hospital said he helped treat about 200 Iraqi soldiers, many of whom were suffering from self- inflicted wounds.

''About 200 Iraqi soldiers, including a number of Iraqi Kurds, were admitted to the hospital over a period of three weeks after the invasion,'' said Dr. Mohammed Lutfi.

''A number of these soldiers injured themselves on purpose hoping to be discharged from service,'' Lufti said. ''Most of these Kurds are not trained and some of them were injured as a result of being unable to use the weapons at their disposal.''

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - The Oakland Athletics' march to their third straight division title has turned into a crawl.

The injury-riddled A's suffered through a 10-3 loss Monday to the Kansas City Royals, keeping Oakland's magic number to clinch the American League West crown at two for the second straight day.

''Sure it's a concern,'' said A's Manager Tony La Russa, who had to use infielder Mike Gallego in the outfield for the first time because of injuries to outfielders Jose Canseco, Willie McGee, Dave Henderson and Rickey Henderson and third baseman Carney Lansford.

''I think if we can give these guys enough rest, they'll be okay,'' La Russa said. ''The only one I'm really worried about is Rickey Henderson, but he doesn't want to rest until we clinch the pennant.

''With all that's going on - MVP, the batting title and the stolen base record - winning is still most important and that's why I admire him so much.''

''It's inevitable that Oakland is going to clinch the division with the club they have, but it's important to me that they don't do it here, '' Kansas City Manager John Wathan said. ''I've been on both sides and it's no fun to watch

another team celebrate, especially with our high expectations this year.''

Kurt Stillwell helped make sure the A's didn't get any closer to the title by belting a three-run inside-the-park home run in the seventh inning and a run-scoring double that triggered a six-run fifth inning.

Stillwell's inside-the-park home run, the second of his career, caromed high off the center-field fence and away from Darren Lewis.

''I was really hurting rounding third, I was out of gas,'' said Stillwell, who scored on a diving tag of home plate. ''I think it was more of a fall than a slide.''

Tom Gordon, 12-11, posted his sixth victory in his last nine starts.

The Royals sent 11 men to the plate in the six-run fifth as they rapped out three doubles and three singles off starter Curt Young, 9-6, and reliever Todd Burns.

In other games, Toronto outlasted Milwaukee 9-5, California edged Texas 3-2 and Baltimore defeated New York 6-3 in 10 innings.

In the National League, it was: Chicago 4, New York 3; Philadelphia 3, Montreal 0; Los Angeles 7, Houston 5 in 11 innings; and San Francisco 3, San Diego 1.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Blue Jays 9, Brewers 5

At Milwaukee, George Bell went 5 for 5, helping Toronto increase its lead in the AL East to 1 1-2 games over Boston. Bell, tying his career high for hits in a game, doubled in the second, singled in the third, doubled home two runs in the fifth, and singled in the eighth and ninth. Jimmy Key, 12-7, got the victory and Tom Henke pitched 1 1-3 innings for his 31st save. Jaime Navarro, 7-7, was rocked for five runs and seven hits in 4 2-3 innings.

Angels 3, Rangers 2

At Arlington, Texas, Lance Parrish smacked a two-run homer and Mark Langston and Bryan Harvey combined on a five-hitter, leading California. Langston, 10-16, recorded his fifth victory in his last six decisions and Harvey earned his 24th save. Nolan Ryan, 13-8, pitched his fifth complete game and struck out 11, improving his league-leading strikeout total to 221 and extending his record for most in a major-league career to 5,297.

Orioles 6, Yankees 3, 10 innings

At New York, Cal Ripken Jr. led off the 10th with a homer and Bill Ripken followed with a two-run double, lifting the Orioles to their sixth straight victory. Jose Bautista, 1-0, got one out in the ninth for the victory. Gregg Olson pitched the 10th for his 34th save, tying Don Aase's club record. Alan Mills, 1-5, gave up Cal Ripken Jr.'s homer.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International: .

Two armed men are holding 19 hostages in a McDonald's restaurant in the Los Angeles suburb of La Verne. Authorities say they ran into the restaurant last night after a robbery at a clothing store across the street. NO shots have been fired. A SWAT team from Los Angeles has been flown in by helicopter.

Crude oil prices have shot up above 40 dollars a barrel for the first time in a decade. The jump followed Iraq's threat to shut off oil supplies with military strikes on Saudi Arabia. Yesterday's surging oil prices and Middle East worries caused stock markets to plummet. The Dow Jones industrial average fell 59 points.

Two moderate Democrats on the Senate Judiciary Committee say they'll vote for David Souter's nomination to the Supreme Court. The announcement by Howell Heflin of Alabama and Dennis DeConcini of Arizona indicates Souter will be confirmed. The committee vote is set for Thursday.

Budget negotiators report some progress on a five-year agreement to lop 500-BILLION dollars from the federal deficit. Democrats say the biggest obstacle is the Republicans' insistence that capital gains taxes be cut. The White House says there's NO agreement in several other areas.

President Bush says it is too early to lift economic sanctions against South Africa. Bush says political prisoners must be freed first. Bush met with South African President F-W de Klerk yesterday. De Klerk pledged NOT to turn back from the reforms he has been making to ease racial segregation.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 25) UPI - Japan's newly appointed Justice Minister apologized Tuesday for a remark he made Friday comparing an influx of foreign prostitutes to blacks moving into a white neighborhood in the United States.

Following a raid on a red-light district in the Shinjuku section of Tokyo that netted 45 foreign women, Seiroku Kajiyama told reporters, ''It's like bad money chasing out good money, or like blacks driving whites out of

neighborhoods in America.''

His apology came a day after the U.S. State Department reportedly termed the remarks offensive.

''It was very inappropriate to relate a racial issue in the United States to the problem in Shinjuku. I'd like to take back my words and express my deep apologies to everyone concerned,'' Kajiyama said at a news conference Tuesday.

Kajiyama was appointed to his post Sept. 13, following the sudden resignaton of Shin Hasegawa for health reasons.

He previously held two other Cabinet posts, as minister for home affairs and minister for international trade and industry.

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EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ (SEPT. 25) UPI - With a chance to surpass some great running backs, Thurman Thomas elected to sit rather than play.

Thomas gained a career-high 214 yards on just 18 carries Monday night to help the Buffalo Bills post their sixth straight victory over the New York Jets with a 30-7 rout of their AFC rivals.

With Thomas on the bench in the fourth quarter, he turned down Buffalo Coach Marv Levy's offer to return and attempt to break Bo Jackson's Monday Night Football record. He was 7 yards short.

''Hey, we have to play the Jets again,'' Thomas said. ''It would have made the Jets look bad and it would have made the Bills look bad.''

Thomas also could have set his sights on O.J. Simpson's single-game club rushing record of 273 or Walter Payton's NFL high of 275.

But he did help the Bills, 2-1, rush for 292 yards - their highest single-game total since 1978. Buffalo has won its last six games over the Jets by a combined score of 164 to 44. The Jets dropped to 1-2 under new coach Bruce Coslet.

''Now people can say 'You looked like the same old Jets,''' New York center Jim Sweeney said. ''That's bull.

''We didn't execute. The emotion was there, emotion doesn't always win games. A win is a win, a loss is a loss, you can't make any more of it or any less of it because it's Buffalo again or national TV.''

Thomas, with a 60-yard run in the first quarter, finished with 146 yards on 10

carries in the first half. His previous single game-high was 148 yards in a 1989 game against Miami.

''It all starts with the offensive line,'' Thomas said. ''When the season began I told them I would reward them if I gained 150 yards in a game. I can't tell you what I owe them. When nobody touches you and you're in the secondary, it's a great feeling.''

Buffalo quarterback Jim Kelly completed 16 of 26 for 174 yards and 2 TDs. He was intercepted once and sacked twice. Jets quarterback Ken O'Brien went 15 of 30 for 153 yards and was sacked three times, including twice by Bruce Smith.

Scott Norwood kicked three field goals for the Bills, who bounced back from a 30-7 drubbing by the Dolphins last week.

The Bills racked up 305 yards and the Jets 87 in total offense by halftime, taking a 20-7 lead after rattling off 13 points in the second quarter.

''I didn't think anyone could manhandle us that way, physically,'' Coslet said.

Kelly hit tight end Butch Rolle for a 2-yard TD pass in the second quarter to break a 7-7 tie at 4:48 and Norwood added field goals of 48 and 42 yards.

Johnny Hector's fumble was recovered by Nate Odomes to set up the first, and Eric McMillan's 15-yard personal foul put the Bills into range for the second as the half expired.

The Bills dominated the first quarter statistically but were tied 7- 7. They outrushed the Jets 109 yards to 36 and passed for 82 yards to New York's 11.

The Jets scored their first touchdown against Buffalo in 13 quarters 7:15 into the game on Brad Baxter's 1-yard run. After a pass interference call against James Williams put the ball on the 1, New York scored on its first series for the second straight week.

The Bills tied the score on the next drive at 11:04. A would-be interception by Jets end Jeff Lageman was negated by a holding call that gave Buffalo first down at New York's 44. Kelly found Keith McKeller wide open at the 20 and the tight end ran to the 1 to set up Kenneth Davis's first TD of the season.

On the Jets' next drive, Al Toon's apparent reception at the Bills' 38 was ruled incomplete because the referee said he was juggling the ball. There was discussion among officials but the call stood. Toon's reception on the Jets' first drive, for 6 yards and a first down, extended his streak of games with at least one catch to 65 - every game he has played over six seasons.

The Bills threatened quickly but sputtered and had a field goal attempt deflected by Ron Stallworth. Thomas ran 60 yards through the Jets secondary to

the New York 23 and again for 15 to the 5 but Lageman sacked Kelly for 8 yards before Stallworth's block.

In the third quarter, the Bills went up 23-7 on Norwood's 27-yard field goal, with Thomas collecting 64 yards on the drive, including a 39-yard run.

They added a fourth-quarter TD on Kelly's 6-yard pass to McKeller with 6:34 left in the game.

New York wide receiver JoJo Townsell suffered a concussion as did Buffalo safety Mark Kelso. Townsell came back after Toon left the game with a bruised back late in the second quarter.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
Brett, KC	530	81	175	.330
Palmeiro, Tex	562	70	181	.322
RHenderson, Oak	466	112	149	.320
Trammell, Det	548	70	169	.308
Boggs, Bos	593	85	181	.305
CJames, Cle	501	60	152	.303
EMartinez, Sea	479	70	145	.303
Puckett, Min	526	82	159	.302
Burks, Bos	551	84	166	.301
Parker, Mil	581	70	175	.301

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Dykstra, Phi	569	102	186	.327
Murray, LA	527	92	172	.326
Magadan, NY	421	70	135	.321
Dawson, Chi	500	67	158	.316
Grace, Chi	557	70	175	.314
Gwynn, SD	573	79	177	.309
Bonds, Pit	496	103	153	.308
Sandberg, Chi	589	111	181	.307
Roberts, SD	542	101	166	.306

HOME RUNS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 48; McGwire, Oak 39; Canseco, Oak 37; McGriff, Tor 34; Gruber, Tor 30.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi 38; Strawberry, NY 37; Mitchell, SF 35; Bonds, Pit 33; Bonilla, Pit 32.

RUNS BATTED IN

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 126; Gruber, Tor 113; McGwire, Oak 107; Canseco Oak 95; Parker, Mil 92.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Williams, SF, Carter, SD and Bonilla, Pit 114; Bonds, Pit 113; Strawberry, NY 107.

DOUBLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Brett, KC 45; Jo.Reed and Boggs, Bos 43; Calderon, Chi 42; Harper, Min 41.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Jefferies, NY 39; Bonilla, Pit 37; Sabo, Cin, Roberts, SD and Johnson, NY 36.

TRIPLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fernandez, Tor 17; Sosa, Chi 10; Liriano, Min 9; Burks, Bos and Johnson, Chi 8.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Duncan, Cin 11; Gwynn, SD 10; Coleman, StL 9; L.Smith, Atl, Dunston, Chi and Butler, SF 8.

STOLEN BASES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 62; Kelly, NY 40; Sax, NY 38; Pettis, Tex 36; Cole, Cle and Johnson, Chi 33.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 61; Bonds, Pit 50; Nixon, Mtl 47; Raines, Mtl and Butler, SF 45.

RUNS SCORED

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 112; Fielder, Det 98; Yount, Mil 95; Reynolds, Sea 93; Phillips, Det 92.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi 111; Bonilla, Pit 108; Bonds, Pit 103; Dykstra Phi 102; Roberts, SD 101.

HITS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Boggs, Bos and Palmeiro, Tex 181; Brett, KC, Kelly, NY and Parker, Mil 175.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Dykstra, Phi 186; Sandberg, Chi 181; Larkin, Cin 180; Butler, SF 179; Gwynn, SD and Wallach, Mtl 177.

VICTORIES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Welch, Oak 25; Stewart, Oak 21; Clemens, Bos 20; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 18.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Drabek, Pit 20; Martinez, LA and Viola, NY 19; Gooden, NY 18; Maddux, Chi, Burkett, SF and Browning, Cin 14.

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 155 innings pitched)

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 1.98; Finley, Cal 2.49; Stewart, Oak 2.67; Appier, KC 2.76; Stieb, Tor 2.96.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Darwin, Hou 2.31; Whitson, SD 2.63; Viola, NY 2.71; Smith, Pit 2.73; Rijo, Cin and Boyd, Mtl 2.75.

STRIKEOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Ryan, Tex 221; Witt, Tex 209; Clemens, Bos 204; Hanson, Sea 194; Langston, Cal 190.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 216; Cone, NY 214; Gooden, NY 208; Fernandez, NY 173; Viola, NY 172.

SAVES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Thigpen, Chi 53; Eckersley, Oak 44; Jones, Cle 40; Righetti, NY and Olson, Bal 34.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Franco, NY 33; Myers, Cin 30; L.Smith, StL 27; Smith, Hou and Lefferts, SD 23.

COMPLETE GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Morris, Det 10; Stewart, Oak 9; Clemens, Bos, Finley, Cal, Witt, Tex and Young, Sea 7.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 11; Maddux, Chi and Hurst, SD 8; De.Martinez, Mtl, Viola, NY and Drabek, Pit 7.

SHUTOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 4; Perez, Chi, Appier, KC, Morris, Det and Stewart, Oak 3.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Morgan, LA and Hurst, SD 4; Martinez, LA, Boyd and Gardner, Mtl, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - Iraq opted to boycott a U.N. General Assembly session after U.S. officials refused to let Baghdad's envoy arrive on an Iraqi government plane amid U.N. preparations to add an air traffic embargo to economic sanctions against Iraq.

Baghdad's earlier threats against Saudi oil fields and Israel in apparent response to U.N. economic sanctions meanwhile pushed up crude oil prices, which surged nearly $3 Monday to more than $40 a barrel for the first time in a decade.

The market also was jittery in advance of a taped message by Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein to the American people, which was expected to be released for dissemination to U.S. TV networks Tuesday.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said Washington had rejected Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz's request to fly to the United States on an Iraqi government plane, but he could get a visa to come on a commercial airliner.

The Iraqi government, in a statement on official Baghdad radio, said Monday it was boycotting the U.N. General Assembly session because the United States ''has blocked'' Aziz's trip by ''refusing his plane landing rights.''

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said Aziz's right to come to the United States was not in dispute, only his right to use ''the convenience of a government aircraft.'' She noted Iraq still held least 93 Americans in detention, had refused to allow American diplomats to leave Iraq, and refused to allow consular access to those detained.

The official Iraqi News Agency reported Aziz had sent a letter of protest to U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

The decision to boycott came on the eve of a U.N. Security Council meeting to tighten sanctions against Baghdad with an air traffic embargo to punish Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait during an oil and border dispute.

The 15-nation Security Council, the more powerful U.N. body, was to vote Tuesday afternoon on a resolution asking governments to withdraw landing rights to aircraft flying to and from Iraq or occupied Kuwait, and to forbid airlines from making scheduled or non-scheduled flights to these two countries.

U.N. diplomats said the air embargo would almost certainly be approved because the five permanent members of the council - the Soviet Union, the United States, China, France and Britain - have agreed on the resolution.

French President Francois Mitterrand meanwhile presented a four-point peace plan to the U.N. General Assembly on the first day of its annual debate Monday. He called for a U.N.-guaranteed Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, release of all foreign nationals detained as hostages, reconciliation among countries in the region, and arms reduction from Iran to Morocco.

Mitterrand also called for an international conference on the Middle East to implement resolutions on the conflict and act as a ''catalyst'' for peace.

There was no immediate comment to the plan from leaders at the General Assembly, a forum with the attendance of all 160 U.N. member countries.

Earlier Monday, France rejected an apology Iraq said it made Sunday for breaking into the residence of the French ambassador in occupied Kuwait on Sept. 14. France said it had not yet received an official apology and that it would not be adequate anyway.

A French Foreign Ministry spokesman said France, which responded to the Iraqi move by dispatching extra ground forces to the Persian Gulf, would only be satisfied when Baghdad released three French civilians abducted in the raid on its diplomatic quarters as well as ''all the unjustly held hostages.''

Saddam Hussein is believed to be holding Western male hostages at vital installations in Iraq and occupied Kuwait as ''human shields'' against a possible attack by the U.S.-led multinational force in the Persian Gulf.

At the White House, President Bush meanwhile strongly condemned ''appalling acts of hatred'' in the United States against Arab- Americans.

''This is a sad irony, if while our soldiers fight overseas, a few hatemongers here at home are perpetrating their own brand of cowardly aggression and death threats, physical attacks, vandalism and religious violence,'' he said.

''Discrimination against Arab-Americans must end and these hate crimes have no place in a free society,'' he added. ''We're not going to stand for them.''

At a briefing for Arab-Americans, Bush also warned those who are seeking an Arab solution to the crisis ''we're not going to yield one inch'' on the demand Iraq withdraw from Kuwait ''completely, immediately and without condition.''

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - Hot weather in the Great Plains Tuesday led the National Weather Service to wonder if an early Indian summer was taking place, while to the east cool weather prevailed and sunshine covered much of the nation.

Overnight lows dipped into the 40s in the Northeast and frost warnings were in effect at higher elevations.

Even Florida got a bit nippy during the night, with Jacksonville recording its second record cold day in a row.

The temperature dipped to 51 degrees early Tuesday, breaking a 9- year-old record by 1 degree. The early morning low Monday plunged to 53 in the city, breaking a 23-year-old record by 6 degrees.

High pressure kept the rest of the South fair and cool, with daytime temperatures in the 70s and low 80s. Early morning temperatures dropped into the mid 40s in Knoxville, Tenn., but where in the high 70s in Miami.

Hot weather hit the Plains states Tuesday with temperatures expected to top 90 in Nebraska, Kansas and other states to the north. The unseasonable heat prompted the NWS to say it seemed like Indian Summer came early this year to the region.

Skies were clear over much of New York state with light winds and temperatures in the 40s and 50s. In New Jersey, in Wrightstown and Millville, skies were clear with temperatures in the 40s. North Philadephia, Willow Grove and Harrisburg, Penn., had temperatures in the 40s with clear skies.

Flood waters receded in southwest Texas as clear skies and cool temperatures covered the region where roads remained closed Mondays following weekend storms.

Cloudy skies and cool temperatures covered much of the Northwest and to the south low clouds covered the morning sky and the thermometer hovered in the mid 60s in Southern California.

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WITH THE U.S. FORCES, Saudi Arabia (SEPT. 25) UPI - Any Iraqi-backed attackers trying to penetrate U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia would have to run ''a gauntlet of fire'' under security rules tightened after a 1983 Beirut car bomb killed 241 Marines, officials said Tuesday.

''I think he would be a pretty stupid terrorist,'' Chief Warrant Officer Charles Roe, who lost 60 friends in the Lebanon bombing, said of any assailant trying to enter his base. ''As a personal opinion, we would like to even the

score. I promise you, he is going to suffer.''

President Bush said Friday he would hold Iraq's Saddam Hussein responsible for any anti-American terrorist activities, underlining Washington's concern about the threat of extremist attacks on some 150, 000 U.S. troops now in the gulf on a mission of confronting Baghdad.

At a large staging facility for the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force, a base which authorities would not allow to be identified, officials said the alert level had been reduced since a few weeks ago, when ''specific information'' prompted them to impose highest security.

''Right now we are at what we would call less than our maximum,'' said Lt. Col. Tom Hayden, the security commander for the sprawling base.

Hayden categorized his potential enemy as ''the same kind of people who have been blowing up Americans for the past 10 years.''

Shiite radicals, whose Islamic fundamentalist creed is firmly anti- American, at one point had occupied the holy mosque in Mecca in 1979. But analysts believe Saudi authorities have quelled the extremist challenge.

However, the U.S. military is also concerned Iraqis or Palestinian sympathizers could have slipped across from Kuwait, particularly among a brief torrent of refugees allowed out the occupied nation 10 days ago.

Hayden believed an extremist's preferred weapon would be a car bomb, and to prevent a repeat of the Beirut debacle, concrete barriers have been erected at gates, forcing all incoming vehicles to slow down for checking.

Machine-gun nests and grenade launchers lined entrance roads, gun- mounted vehicles staged patrols, and the military has also dispersed living and working quarters. The Marines killed on Oct. 23, 1983 in Beirut were housed inside a seven-story building.

''You would have to go through a gauntlet of fire to reach any significant target,'' Roe said. ''Our main lessons from Beirut were dispersion ... and great vigilance.''

Personnel said there was little comparison between the two situations.

In Beirut, hundreds of Marines were housed in the ill-fated building as the best protection from shelling and sniping by militia units. Roe said the car bomber came through an area patrolled by the Lebanese army, and the Americans had a very small control perimeter.

In comparison, U.S. officials said they were confident of their Saudi colleagues, who check civilian workmen entering the base.

Some checkpoints are manned by both Saudi and American personnel, but the base is otherwise clearly defined into areas run by the different militaries, with little overlap.

Authorities have also tried to prevent random attacks against American troops by forbidding troops from entering civilian areas.

Another crucial difference was the Marines in Beirut were under restrained rules of engagement and could not use maximum force. They had an ambiguous mission as peacekeepers while being constantly attacked amid the complex witches' brew of Lebanese politics.

Here, Saddam is a clearly defined enemy. There are no rules of restraint and few gray areas.

''Every Marine is more aware. Certainly every Marine who was in Beirut is more aware,'' said Roe, 41, from Norfolk, Va., who was ordered to leave Beirut the day before the bombing. ''But you can't allow it to dominate your life, or you give in to fear and terrorist pressure.''

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait:

UNITED NATIONS - The U.N. Security Council will meet to consider tightening sanctions against Baghdad with an air traffic embargo. The 15-nation Security Council was to vote Tuesday afternoon on a resolution asking governments to withdraw landing rights to aircraft flying to and from Iraq or occupied Kuwait and to forbid airlines from making scheduled or non-scheduled flights to these two countries. U.N. diplomats said the air embargo would almost certainly be approved.

WASHINGTON - Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein said he would give his videotaped message to the American people to television networks Tuesday. The message is expected to be a rebuttal to the videotaped speech President Bush presented to the Iraqi citizens. The networks were expected to air all or part of the tape after they viewed it.

CAIRO, Egypt - Iraq said it will boycott the U.N. General Assembly session after squabbling with the United States over what type of aircraft would be allowed to transport the Iraqi foreign minister to New York. Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz had requested he be allowed to fly to New York for the U.N. meetings on an Iraqi government plane. The State Department said no, but added Aziz would be welcome if he arrived on a commercial airliner.

WITH THE U.S. FORCES, Saudi Arabia - Any Iraqi-backed attackers trying to penetrate U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia would have to run ''a gauntlet of fire'' under security rules tightened after a 1983 Beirut car bomb killed 241 Marines officials said Tuesday. President Bush has said he would hold Iraq's Saddam Hussein responsible for any anti- American terrorist activities, underlining Washington's concern about the threat of extremist attacks on some 150,000 U.S. troops now in the gulf.

Stocks plunged in erratic trading Monday on major global stock exchanges as surging oil prices and worries over the Middle East crisis combined to rattle investor confidence. Analysts said stocks plummented as oil surged despite a new estimate that members of OPEC are pumping enough oil to forestall, at least until winter, worldwide energy shortages resulting from the Middle East crisis. The extra oil is coming from Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Venezuela. Stocks plummeted in New York, London, Frankfurt, Belgium, Amsterdam, Paris, Australia and New Zealand. In New York, the Dow Jones industrial average fell 59.41 points, or 2.36 percent, to 2452.97, its lowest close since late June and early July of 1989.

WASHINGTON - As the last American evacuees headed to their homes in the United States, the State Department said some 1,000 Americans, including 69 with serious medical problems, remain in Iraq and Kuwait against their will. According to the State Department's count, more than 1,900 U.S. citizens and dependents - mainly women and children - were evacuated to the United States by chartered flights. That included 100 on the last planned charter, which arrived in the United States late Sunday.

WASHINGTON - Turkish President Turgut Ozal said the embargo against Iraq will almost certainly resolve the gulf crisis and that threats of war by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein are rhetoric. Asked Monday if Turkey would commit its 800,000-man army to military action against Iraq, Ozal, who is in the United States to meet with President Bush on Tuesday, said on the Cable News Network ''90 percent to 95 percent of the situation can be solved through embargo.'' He called recent Iraqi war threats an ''exaggeration'' that prove the economic embargo is working.

WASHINGTON - The government of Saudi Arabia, amid growing tension with Iraq and warnings of potential terrorist attacks against Saudi diplomats, ordered its embassies around the world to cancel Monday's public National Day receptions. According to two spokesmen at the Saudi Embassy in Washington, the National Day receptions were canceled ''out of solidarity with Kuwait.'' But the invitations for the reception at the Saudi Embassy in Washington had been mailed on Sept. 13, six weeks after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait occurred.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - Iraq says it's boycotting a U-N General Assembly session after U-S officials refused to allow Baghdad's envoy to arrive in New York City on an Iraqi government plane. The move comes as the Security Council prepares to vote today on a resolution to impose an air embargo against Iraq. The measure tightening sanctions against Baghdad asks governments to withdraw landing rights to planes flying to and from Iraq or occupied Kuwait.

Some progress is reported toward agreement on a deficit-reduction plan. But White House Chief of Staff John Sununu says congressional and White House negotiators are ''NOT quite there yet.'' The two sides meet again today... as the deadline for avoiding automatic spending cuts draws nearer. If NO agreement is reached, the cuts are to take effect Monday.

Two moderate Democratic members of the Senate Judiciary Committee say they'll vote in favor of David Souter's nomination to the Supreme Court. The votes of Senators Howell Heflin of Alabama and Dennis DeConcini of Arizona... coupled with the panel's Republicans... assure Souter of approval when the committee meets Thursday. The full Senate could act on the nomination by Friday.

The Soviet Parliament moved a step closer to a market economy yesterday, but stopped short of adopting a specific program of reforms. The parliament gave President Gorbachev new powers to begin a transition to a market system. But the lawmakers delayed adoption of a specific blueprint... ordering that two different plans be combined and presented to Parliament next month.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - Skyrocketing oil prices sent stock prices crumpling to their lowest level of the year Tuesday in thin trading on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

The Nikkei Average of 225 selective issues, which gained 174.85 points Friday, tumbled 418.51 points or 1.8 percent to 23,359.32.

The market was closed Monday for a national holiday.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares, which gained 1.80 points Friday, plunged 50.41 points to 1, 719.36.

Volume was razor thin as only 230 million shares changed hands, compared with 458.2 million shares Friday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks dropped sharply in moderate trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as fears of a worldwide economic crisis affected investors.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which tumbled 70.09 points Monday, dropped another 54.27 points or 1.9 percent to 2,807.50.

Among the narrower indexes, financials fell 35.54 points, industrials shed 44.22, utilities were down 68.76, and properties nosedived 99.89 points.

Volume remained light as an estimated 600 million shares changed hands, compared with 575 million shares Monday.

In Singapore, stocks crumbled in quiet trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange as investors continued to worry over surging oil prices and the impact on the local economy.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 15.65 points Monday, dropped another 19.55 points to 1,113.19. The broader-based All Singapore Index, which fell 5.98 points Monday, lost 5.07 points to 315.18.

An estimated 43.1 million shares changed hands, compared with 32.3 million shares Monday.

In Bangkok, stocks fell sharply on the Thailand Stock Exchange reacting the situation in the Gulf and domestic political developments.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) Index, which gained 9.16 points Monday, dropped 33.16 points or 5.1 percent to 613.95.

An estimated 1.2 billion shares changed hands, compared with 1.6 billion shares Monday.

In Australia, stock prices fell to their lowest level since May 1988 on the Sydney Sharemarket amid rising Middle East tensions and skyrocketing oil prices.

The All Ordinaries Index, which fell 14.9 points Monday, dropped 17.7 points or 1.3 percent to 1,394.9.

An estimated 80.4 million shares chnaged hands, compared with 52.9 million shares Monday.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - A 37-year-old cafeteria cook who won a $3.6 lottery million last month died of a heart attack Monday and his sister-in-law blamed his death on the stress of being an instant millionaire.

William Curry of South Boston won the Sept. 8 Megabucks drawing and took a couple of weeks off.

''He never got to enjoy it,'' Shirley Bourdon said of her brother-in- law's new wealth. ''All he really bought was a Dalmatian puppy for the kids. He

couldn't have afforded that before.''

Curry returned to his job of 20 years at the Merit Food Co. Monday morning for the first time since he won and suffered a fatal heart attack, the Boston Herald reported Tuesday.

Bourdon said Curry had shown signs of stress since winning the jackpot. She said Curry was beseiged by accountants and financial advisers and other people asking for money.

''It was the stress of it that killed him,'' she said. ''We've had no peace'' since winning.

She said Curry and his family were going to sit back for awhile and consider what to do with the money. ''They were only just starting to talk to people about investments.''

Last week Curry cashed the first of 20 annual installments of $180, 722. In his will, he left the money to his family.

He is survived by his wife, Maureen, a 7-year-old son and a 5-year- old daughter.

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#90268u0696 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - U-N diplomats expect the embargo against Iraq to be widened today. It's almost certain the Security Council will approve an embargo on air traffic. The five permanent Security Council members already have approved the plan.

Egyptian doctors report Iraqi troops have removed terminally ill patients from hospitals in occupied Kuwait. They say premature babies were removed from incubators and died and mentally retarded patients were denied food.

A gunman held 19 hostages for six hours in a McDonald's restaurant in La Verne California, until early this morning. A SWAT team created a diversion with ''flash-bang'' grenades, freed the hostages and arrested the gunman.

Congressional and White House budget negotiators ended a session early this morning saying they made some progress. But they still have NO agreement. More talks are scheduled this afternoon on a 500-BILLION- dollar deficit reduction package.

An engineer for the Christian Broadcasting Network was convicted yesterday of two counts of interrupting soft-porn cable television networks with religious messages. Thomas Haynie was acquitted of four counts.

11 people were killed today when a tourist bus carrying elderly people rolled down an embankment in Australia. 10 seniors and the driver died and 35 other passengers were injured.

Japan's justice minister has apologized for comparing foreign prostitutes to American blacks. Justice Minister Seiroku Kajiyama said at a news conference today he expressed his ''deep apologies.''

A university student has died in India of burns he received when he set himself on fire. He was protesting a government plan to reserve 27 percent of government jobs for India's lower castes.

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#90268u0708 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - Angola has agreed to accept 100-thousand tons of food from the United States. But a U-S official says it may be too late to save some hungry children. The food will go to all parts of Angola, including those held by rebels.

Nicaragua's Sandinista Front has called for strikes and civil disobedience to protest government plans to fire thousands of workers. The Sandinista front's labor union urged Nicaraguans to stop paying utility bills.

Civil rights leader Jesse Jackson is trying to solve Canada's standoff with Mohawk Indians. Jackson is to meet with Indian leaders on their reservation near Montreal. The land dispute has gone on for 10 weeks.

The Senate has voted to bar age discrimination in workers' benefit plans. The bill overturns a Supreme Court ruling denying disability benefits to a 60-year-old woman.

The shuttle Discovery is expected to be launched October 6th or 7th. An exact target date will be announced today. Discovery is to fire a European spacecraft into orbit around the poles of the sun.

Four people were killed yesterday when an airplane crashed while trying to land at a foggy airport in San Luis Obispo, California. Another light plane crash at the base of Mount Baldy in California killed two people.

Airline unions say if a United Airlines employee buyout of the company fails, a strike may result. Union leaders urged pilots to tell the board of directors they support the buyout.

Siegfried and Roy put on the 10-thousandth performance of their illusionist show last night at Las Vegas, Nevada. They hold the record for most performances.

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#90268u0727 09/25/1990 ~United Press International
CRANSTON, RI (SEPT. 25) UPI - The CVS pharmacy chain will not pursue a shoplifting charge against a state senator who allegedly stuffed condoms into his socks and pocket and walked out of a store without paying for them.

The general counsel for CVS, Zenon P. Lankowsky, sent police an affidavit explaining that the Woonsocket-based chain did not wish to proceed against Sen. Dominick Ruggerio, D-Providence.

Lankowsky, a CVS vice president, said in the affidavit that the company is dropping charges ''without threats, coercion or intimidation.'' A company spokesman declined further comment Monday and Ruggerio could not be reached.

Ruggerio is running for re-election in the 4th Senate District in Providence. He was to have been arraigned Tuesday on a misdemeanor charge he shoplifted a dozen condoms from a CVS store on Sept. 14. The court appearance was canceled when the company decided against pursuing the charge.

Police arrested Ruggerio shortly after they arrived at the pharmacy to investigate the shoplifting complaint. The store manager told police she saw Ruggerio opening boxes in the toiletry aisle and putting packages into his sock.

Ruggerio paid for other items at the counter and walked out of the store. When police confronted him, a pat-down search yielded two packages of condoms from Ruggerio's left sock, one from his right sock, and another from his left pants pocket, a police report said.

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#90268u0730 09/25/1990 ~United Press International
PARIS (SEPT. 25) UPI - The world petroleum market has adequate reserves of crude oil to withstand the embargo against Iraq, but the supply of refined oil products is less clear, a representative of the International Energy Agency said Tuesday.

He said the agency is unlikely to propose its 21 member countries draw from their crude oil reserves when the body's governing board meets in Paris Friday to review the world petroleum supply in light of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

''Seven weeks after the start of the gulf crisis, supplies of crude remain sufficient, though not comfortable,'' according to the high-level representative, who did not want to be named.

''There is more petroleum on the market than we had expected,'' the representative added.

He said the agency's members would draw from their crude oil reserves only in case of real shortages, putting aside suggestions that they try to regulate the sharp fluctuations that have destabilized the world oil market in recent weeks.

Since the advent of the crisis Aug. 2 the agency has twice decided it was not necessary to draw on its members' emergency petroleum reserves or to impose its emergency oil-sharing system.

''To try and allay the fluctuations in the world oil market by drawing on the strategic stocks would have little impact on petroleum prices because market operators are not reacting to the fundamentals but rather to a fear of war,'' the representative said.

Spot oil prices for October delivery of Britain's North Sea Brent went above the $40 a barrel mark in London Monday, the highest spot price for the benchmark crude since December 1980.

The U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery ended the day at $38.25 a barrel, up $2.82 over Friday's record close on the New York Mercantile Exchange, which began trading WTI futures contracts in March 1983.

Nevertheless, industry experts point out that the $40 a barrel reached during the second oil shock in 1979 is equivalent to $80 a barrel today if inflation and the evolution of the U.S. dollar are taken into account.

Total emergency oil reserves among IEA members total about 1 billion barrels, the equivalent of 150 days of the agency's net petroleum imports and 100 days of consumption at current levels.

The United States has set aside 590 million barrels in response to the oil shortages of the 1970s, with Japan's reserves put at some 208 million barrels and West Germany's at 53 million barrels.

The IEA's emergency oil-sharing system may be put into effect if several or all of its member countries see their oil supplies reduced by 7 percent, at which point the agency would determine quotas according to the consumption level of each member.

Production by the 13-member Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries reached 22 million barrels a day this month due to faster than expected production increases by Saudi Arabia, Venezuela, and the United Arab Emirates, according to industry sources.

At its last meeting Aug. 31, the IEA's Governing Board said the agreement by OPEC countries to increase production sharply and the significant use of

commercial stocks had stabilized then world-oil supply. But the agency also warned at the time that the outlook for the coming months remained uncertain.

Since then, the halt in activity by Kuwaiti refineries resulting from the U.N. embargo on Kuwaiti and Iraqi oil has disturbed certain markets, especially in Asian and East African countries and in the Indian Ocean area, according to industry observers.

The refined oil products market will encounter further difficulties if the coming winter in the Northern Hemisphere is particularly cold or if there is an incident at a major refinery leading to a drop in production, the official said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - America's slumping output of goods and services inched up only 0.4 percent in the second quarter, the government said Tuesday in its final estimate of the gross national product for the period.

In its previous estimate, the Commerce Department reported the real GNP increased 1.2 percent in April, May and June. Most private economists expected no change in the final data.

The tiny gain was the worst since the final quarter of 1989, when the real GNP squeaked ahead 0.3 percent.

A Commerce Department spokesman attributed the poor showing, which amounted to an increase of $4.5 billion, to less income on U.S. investments abroad and a decline in industrial prduction.

Adding to the disheartening economic news, the government also said Tuesday that after-tax corporate profits were down 0.6 percent in the second quarter, wiping out a gain of 0.5 percent in January, February and March.

Analysts keep close watch on the real GNP. Two or more consecutive quarters of negative growth indicate a recession. Small increases, such as the 0.4 percent gain, can be a warning sign of hard times ahead.

In the first quarter of the year, the real GNP advanced a modest 1.7 percent - or $17.4 billion - according to the data compiled by the department's Bureau of Economic Analysis.

The implicit price deflator, an important barometer of inflation, tied to the real GNP data slid to 4.7 percent in the second quarter of 1990 from 4.8 percent in the first quarter, the government said.

During April, May and June, personal spending edged up 0.2 percent, with a 5.1

percent advance in services ofset by declines of 9.5 percent for durable goods and 1.9 percent for non-durable goods.

Exports of goods and services, which have been a pillar of strength in recent months, were off a substantial 5 percent, which imports increased 0.7 percent, the Commerce Department said.

Business investment, meanwhile, fell 4.7 percent from the previous quarter, the department said, while government purchases of goods and services jumped 6.2 percent.

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#90268u0790 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - Federal officials say government probes of the weight loss industry are shifting from diet aid quacks to ''mainstream'' diet centers with big name programs. Richard Kelly of the Federal Trade Commission told a House panel yesterday the agency is looking at 14 diet clinics and programs in ''a broad-scale investigation of the diet industry.''

A consumer group says Americans' lack of knowledge of consumer matters costs them BILLIONS of dollars each year, and threatens their health and safety. The Consumer Federation of America says Americans averaged just 54 percent on a test designed to assess their knowledge on consumer issues such as banking, food and insurance.

A new survey shows conflicting attitudes on the issue of separation of church and state. Americans United for Separation of Church and State says many Americans indicate they support such separation. But they also support such ideas as government involvement in school prayer. The group says many Americans have a poor understanding of the meaning of religious freedom.

Hot weather hit the Great Plains today, with temperatures expected to top 90 degrees in Nebraska, Kansas and other states to the north. To the East, cool weather prevailed. Overnight lows dipped into the 40's in the Northeast, and even Florida was a bit nippy. The temperature this morning in Jacksonville was 51 degrees.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque f	80	52	....
Anchorage pc	49	38	....
Asheville sy	73	40	....
Atlanta sy	76	55	....

Baltimore sy	75	49	....
Billings sy	88	52	....
Birmingham sy	79	49	....
Bismarck sy	86	46	....
Boston sy	70	54	....
Brownsville pc	91	71	....
Buffalo pc	70	54	....
Burlington Vt. pc	67	48	....
Charleston S.C. sy	79	54	....
Charlotte sy	75	49	....
Chicago sy	79	54	....
Cincinnati sy	75	52	....
Cleveland pc	72	53	....
Columbus Ohio sy	74	52	....
Dallas sy	87	63	....
Denver pc	87	51	....
Des Moines sy	83	55	....
Detroit pc	72	49	....
Duluth pc	76	52	....
El Paso sy	87	58	....
Evansville sy	78	53	....
Fargo sy	85	52	....
Hartford sy	70	45	....
Honolulu sy	89	71	.01
Houston cy	84	65	....
Indianapolis sy	75	52	....
Jackson Miss. pc	81	55	....
Jacksonville sy	82	59	....
Kansas City sy	86	59	....
Las Vegas sy	89	63	....
Little Rock sy	82	56	....
Los Angeles f	80	64	....
Louisville sy	76	54	....
Memphis sy	78	57	....
Miami Beach pc	89	74	....
Milwaukee pc	76	55	....
Minneapolis sy	88	55	....
Nashville sy	75	50	....
New Orleans sy	81	62	....
New York sy	83	57	....
Oklahoma City sy	88	59	....
Omaha sy	90	54	....
Orlando sy	88	67	....
Philadelphia sy	73	52	....
Phoenix sy	99	74	....
Pittsburgh sy	73	54	....
Portland Me. sy	67	46	....
Portland Ore. cy	67	57	....

Providence sy	70	49	....
Richmond sy	77	50	....
St. Louis sy	81	59	....
Salt Lake City pc	80	56	....
San Antonio f	87	67	....
San Diego pc	76	65	....
San Francisco pc	72	58	....
San Juan pc	89	76	....
Seattle cy	66	54	....
Spokane sy	80	49	....
Tampa sy	89	67	....
Washington sy	76	54	....
Wichita sy	88	57	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90268u0856 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - America's slumping output of goods and services edged closer to recession in the second quarter, inching up only 0.4 percent, the government said Tuesday in its final estimate of the gross national product for the period.

The latest weak data ''suggest that we are in a recession now,'' said Allen Sinai, chief economist at the Boston Co.

Robert Dederick, chief economist at Northern Trust in Chicago, added, ''I think a mild recession is ahead because of the oil shock'' set off by Iraq's occupation of Kuwait.

In its previous estimate, the Commerce Department reported the nation's real GNP increased 1.2 percent in April, May and June. Most private economists

expected no change in the final data.

The tiny gain in the months before Iraq crisis was the worst since the final quarter of 1989, when the real GNP squeaked ahead 0.3 percent during a nationwide winter cold snap.

At the White House, presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said: ''It's not good news. The number is very low. Obviously we are concerned about the economy and the growth rate. ... It is certainly cause for concern.''

But Fitzwater added: ''We don't believe we are in a recession right now.''

A Commerce Department spokesman attributed poor second quarter showing, which amounted to an increase of $4.5 billion, to less income on U.S. investments abroad and a decline business inventories on weak industrial production.

Sinai also cited a ''slide in business capital spending, trade, state and local government spending and most consumer spending.''

''I think we're in for a moderate recession,'' Sinai said. ''I think we can no longer expect a mild recession, with considerable risk of something worse than moderate'' if war breaks out in the Middle East.

Adding to the disheartening economic news, the government also said Tuesday that after-tax corporate profits were down 0.6 percent in the second quarter, wiping out a gain of 0.5 percent in January, February and March.

Dederick noted the data ''emphasizes that the economy was running out of gas in the second quarter prior to the oil shock.''

''It was a well-balanced slowdown,'' Dederick said. ''It was a tired- old expansion waiting for something to happan and what happened was the oil shock.''

Analysts keep close watch on the real GNP. Two or more consecutive quarters of negative growth indicate a classic recession. Small increases, such as the 0.4 percent gain, can be a warning sign of hard times ahead or indicate a period of punishing stagnation.

In the first quarter of the year, the real GNP advanced a modest 1.7 percent - or $17.4 billion - according to the report compiled by the department's Bureau of Economic Analysis.

The implicit price deflator, an important barometer of inflation, tied to the real GNP data slid to 4.7 percent in the second quarter of 1990 from 4.8 percent in the first quarter, the government said.

During April, May and June, personal spending edged up 0.2 percent, with a 5.1

percent advance in services offset by declines of 9.5 percent for durable goods and 1.9 percent for non-durable goods.

Exports of goods and services, which have been a pillar of strength in recent months, were off a substantial 5 percent, which imports increased 0.7 percent, the Commerce Department said.

Business investment, meanwhile, fell 4.7 percent from the previous quarter, the department said.

Government purchases of goods and services jumped 6.2 percent on a strong non-defense spending by the federal government, offsetting weak state and local government purchases.

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#90268u0862 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

LUSAKA, ZAMBIA (SEPT. 25) UPI - President Kenneth Kaunda, just one day after proposing to scrap the one-party system, suspended three members of Parliament Tuesday for going too far in espousing multi-party democracy.

Bennie Mwiinga, one of the suspended members of the United National Independence Party, accused Kaunda of violating the constitution.

''The fact that we hold different views from those of the UNIP does not mean that we have stopped being UNIP members,'' he said. ''We have taken this as the last kick of a dying horse.''

Mwiinga said he and the two others suspended from the 135-member party left the 25th National Council session of the UNIP immediately after Kaunda announced their suspension. He quoted the president as saying the three had gone ''too far in their criticism of the party policies.''

Kaunda made an unexpected policy reversal Monday in a bid to avert mounting popular discontent. He then asked the UNIP National Council to approve an end to the one-party state and discard a national poll on the issue scheduled for 1991.

Pro-democracy activists welcomed the proposal and Arthur Wina, chairman of the opposition Multi-Party National Interim Committee, Wina said he wanted to credit Kaunda ''for having read the political signs for change correctly.'' Wina said the multi-party movement would start planning strategies ''to catch up with the change.''

Kaunda had announced in June, following a week of bloody anti- government rioting, that Zambia would hold a referendum in August 1991 to test popular support for a return to the multi-party system phased out 17 years ago.

But the 65-year-old president, who has ruled since independence from Britain in 1964, said Monday he was proposing a restoration of democracy without holding a referendum to prevent further bloodshed in the debt- strapped southern African state and because ''I do not want to split the country into two camps.''

Under Kaunda's new proposals, a president would be directly elected for a five-year term by a majority vote. But he gave no details of requirements for candidates or prospective parties nor any indication of when an election would be held.

Kaunda's announcement followed massive public protests - two of them drawing up to 100,000 people - by citizens demanding an early implementation of a multi-party democracy.

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#90268u0864 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

BANGOR, MAINE (SEPT. 25) UPI - A twin-engine charter airliner with 204 passengers on board was forced to make an emergency landing at Bangor International Airport early Tuesday after losing cabin pressure over the Atlantic.

The British-owned 757 Air Europe jetliner had left Bangor about midnight bound for London when it gradually lost pressure about an hour and a half out over the Atlantic, causing decompression problems for some of the passengers, said Bangor airport manager Peter Derrico.

The pilot descended to a safe altitude and came back to Bangor, landing about 2:30 a.m., Derrico said.

The change in pressure caused discomfort to some passengers' ears, and about 70 were checked by medical personnel after they landed, Derrico said.

No one was seriously injured, he said.

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#90268u0865 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - The government today revised the gross national product for the second quarter and says the economy grew only four-tenths of one percent. Earlier estimates said the increase was three times as large. A Commerce Department spokesman says industrial production declined and U- S investments abroad brought less income. Gross national product is a measure of the nation's total output of goods and services.

A SWAT team stormed a McDonald's restaurant in La Verne, California, early this morning to rescue 19 diners and employees who were held hostage. A gunman

who held them for more than six hours was arrested. The police first freed restaurant workers from the basement. Then, they used ''flash-bang'' grenades to create a diversion and rescued the remaining hostages in the dining room.

The U-N Security Council meets today to consider tightening the embargo against Iraq. It is expected to approve a plan to ask governments to prohibit landing rights to planes flying in or out of Iraq and Kuwait. The five permanent Security Council members have approved the plan and U-N diplomats expect the full council's backing.

NASA officials are expected to make a final decision today on when the shuttle Discovery should be launched. Engineers at a review yesterday recommended October 7th. Discovery is to fire a European spacecraft on a journey that will take it near Jupiter, then toward the sun where it will go in orbit around the solar poles.

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#90268u0866 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 24: Purchases of 334,103 shares and sales of 710,163 shares including 106,384 shares sold short.

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#90268u0905 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT (SEPT. 25) UPI - A Lebanese newspaper reported Tuesday that some of the 13 foreign hostages held in Lebanon would be freed as a result of summit talks between leaders of Syria and Iran.

The Ad-Diyar daily newspaper quoted unnamed diplomatic sources as saying that the captives would be freed shortly after the return of Syrian President Hafez Assad to Damascus from Tehran.

Assad, who held talks in Tehran with his Iranian counterpart Hashemi Rafsanjani focusing on the Persian Gulf crisis, was expected to return home within 24 hours.

Political sources had reported Syria would exert fresh efforts with Iran to resolve the hostage plight as a result of a recent visit to Syria by Secretary of State James Baker.

Iran is believed to enjoy wide influence on the kidnappers of the 13 foreign captives, while Syria is considered a major power broker in Lebanon with 35,000 Syrian troops deployed on two thirds of the country.

There have been a series of reports that some or all three British hostages

would be released soon as a fruit of a rapprochement between Iran and Britain.

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EAST HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 25) UPI - Pratt & Whitney, a major manufacturer of jet engines, has advised customers of cracks found inside the main turbine shafts of 12 of its newest engines, a company spokesman said Tuesday.

The problem was considered serious enough to advise all customers and the Federal Aviation Administration when it was discovered earlier this month by the company, said Pratt & Whitney spokesman Mark Sullivan.

Sullivan said emergency inspections have turned up cracks in only 12 of the 174 PW4000 engines delivered to aircraft builders and air carriers so far. The engines are designed to power widebody airliners.

As a precaution, the company inspected additional low-pressure tube shafts destined for manufacturers but no defects were found, Sullivan said.

He said the company does not believe any engines with flawed shafts now are in service. ''We're confident that we reacted very quickly,'' the spokesman said.

The PW4000 is Pratt's newest and most powerful jet engine and is viewed as the company's single most important product of the 1990's.

One of the defective shafts had been in airline service before it was grounded and three others had been shipped to aircraft manufacturers for installation on jumbo passenger jets, said Sullivan. He declined to identify the airline that had the defective engine.

Sullivan said the other eight were found in various stages of assembly at Pratt plants in Connecticut.

All the defective shafts had cleared inspections at Pratt and at LeFeill Manufacturing Co., the California subcontractor that forged the engine shafts for Pratt.

Michael Ciccarelli, spokesman for the FAA's regional office in Burlington, Mass., said the problem is being worked on and he expected the agency to come up with guidelines within the week.

Sullivan said the cracks were traced to a ''process problem'' at the California forging house but it has yet to be determined what caused the problem.

Pratt, which employs about 46,000 workers and has annual sales of about $7 billion, is headquartered in East Hartford, Conn., and is a subsidiary of

United Technologies Corp.

Since entering service in 1987, Pratt has delivered more than 350 of the engines to power the Boeing 747, the MD-11, and the Airbus A300, A310 and A330 widebody planes for airlines around the world.

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#90268u0938 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Amid word of some progress toward an agreement on a five-year, $500 billion deficit reduction package, the White House spokesman warned both sides Tuesday that ''the consequences of their negotiations are central to the course of the economy.''

Negotiators face an Oct. 1 deadline to reach an agreement on a deficit-cutting budget or face sequester or massive, automatic across- the-board cuts.

''We don't like to use the 'R' word,'' said White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater, referring to a recession, ''but clearly a sequester would be very difficult. It would be difficult for the economy as well as for the country directly in terms of services provided.

''So we want to avoid sequester... and we're very hopeful we can get a deal that will avoid it,'' he said.

Fitzwater expressed particular concern about word Tuesday that the country's slumping output of goods and services inched up by only 0.4 percent in the second quarter - the worst gain since the final quarter of 1989.

''I guess if there is any single message that these numbers give us is that the urgency for a budget agreement is real,'' he said. ''I would hope that all parties to the negotiations, Republican and Democrat alike, understand that the consequences of their negotiations are central to the course of the economy and these numbers clearly show the urgency of that need.''

Fitzwater noted that the negotiators had worked through the night until about 12:30 a.m. Tuesday, and that some progress had been made.

After the nearly four hours of talks with Democrats, White House chief of staff John Sununu, one of the negotiators, reported, ''We're making progress on savings ... cutting spending, but we're not quite there yet.''

And Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas said the group had made ''some'' progress.

But there was no indication that any significant progress had been made on what Democrats have said is the biggest obstacle blocking an agreement - President Bush's insistence on cutting the capital gains tax.

Negotiators planned to resume talks Tuesday afternoon.

Negotiators are working under a rapidly approaching deadline to avoid imposition of $105.7 billion in automatic, across-the-board spending cuts required under the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law.

Those cuts, split evenly between defense and domestic programs, are scheduled to take place beginning Oct. 1, the start of federal fiscal year 1991.

The cuts are expected to cause massive furloughs of federal workers and huge cutbacks in services ranging from air traffic control to food inspections.

Negotiators met for four hours Sunday night but failed to reach agreement on several unresolved issues, including Bush's call to cut the capital gains tax.

On Monday, Fitzwater denied that Bush's support for cutting capital gains taxes on profits from the sale of assets ''is the major stumbling block'' in reaching a budget agreement, as Democrats claim.

''We still don't have agreement on two or three other areas as well, big areas '' Fitzwater told reporters. ''There are many other issues still outstanding. We are not even close on the spending cut side. In fact, the Democrats have proposed spending increases.

Fitzwater charged that ''Democrats have been able to focus attention on the capital gains provision to the overall detriment of the progress in the negotiations, as far as we are concerned.''

Republicans vented frustration on the House floor at lack of a budget accord.

''The Democrat leadership of this Congress is not merely adamant and incalcitrant, it is also imcompetent, unable to pass a budget, unable to pass appropriations and only willing to allow (automatic spending cuts) to come about,'' said Rep. Bill Frenzel, R-Minn., a budget negotiator.

''We need a budget agreement now. It has to take place in the next 24 hours. And Congress better do it or it's going to stand judged as even more incompetent than its usual low standard.''

To demonstrate their frustration, House Republicans demanded time- consuming roll call votes on a long list of mostly non-controversial bills on Monday's House calendar - bills which often pass on voice votes or lop-sided recorded votes with broad bipartisan backing.

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SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (SEPT. 25) UPI - International Olympic Committee President Juan Antonio Samaranch received the first Seoul Peace Prize Tuesday for his ''contributions to world peace and harmony of mankind.''

The prize, composed of a citation, a plaque and a cash gift of $300, 000, was awarded to Samaranch by prize committee chairman Kim Yong-shik at a ceremony in downtown Seoul.

The Seoul Peace Prize was created to commemorate the 1988 Seoul Summer Olympic Games, in which 160 nations participated, and Samaranch was picked as the first recipient for his roles leading the Seoul Olympiad to success.

''I am well aware of the devoted and unsparing efforts of President Samaranch and the IOC to ensure the success of the Seoul Olympic Games,'' President Roh Tae-woo said in a congratulatory speech at the ceremony.

Samaranch, said he would donate all the prize money for an Olympic museum to be located at Lausanne, Switzerland.

Samaranch arrived in Seoul Monday night from Beijing where he attended the opening of the 11th Asian Games now under way.

The Seoul Peace Prize will be awarded once every two years to individuals and organizations that contribute to world peace and harmony of mankind through sports.

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#90268u0964 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $405.60 silver base of $4.91 and platinum price of $461.00:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$422.20	408.40
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	216.50	209.50
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	111.10	107.60
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	44.40
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	422.50	408.40
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	216.70	209.60
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	111.70	108.10
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	46.10	44.60
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	429.40	415.00
China Panda .50 troy oz.	221.20	213.80
China Panda .25 troy oz.	114.70	110.90
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	49.60	47.90

China panda 1-20 troy oz.	29.60	28.60
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	422.90	408.50
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	216.20	208.80
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	109.10	105.40
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	46.90	45.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	421.50	407.00
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	218.00	210.60
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	111.80	108.10
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	47.50	45.10
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	421.50	406.90
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	216.70	209.20
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	91.80	88.70
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	48.00	46.40
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.30	23.60
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.32	$6.24
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,550	$3,500
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,550	$1,525
Platinum		
Australian Koala	485.00	476.00
Isle of Man Noble	474.00	465.00
Canada Maple Leaf	485.00	476.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90268u0968 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, LEBANON (SEPT. 25) UPI - The government of President Elias Hrawi said Tuesday that Gen. Michel Aoun's 2-year-old rebellion ''should be ended soon,'' but insisted it still is pursuing ''peaceful options.''

The declaration followed numerous reports that Hrawi was preparing for an attack against Aoun's forces by using the 20,000-member regular army loyal to him.

Information Minister Edmond Rizk said the Cabinet, during a meeting chaired by Hrawi at the temporary presidential palace in Moslem west Beirut, ''discussed the case of (Aoun's) rebellion and decided to give a chance to peaceful options.''

''But the mutiny should be ended soon,'' Rizk said.

The government made no mention of reports that Hrawi's Lebanese army troops planned to block all roads around Aoun's enclave to tighten the noose around the isolated general.

Aoun, a Christian Maronite general, was appointed as head of a transitional government by former President Amin Gemayel Sept. 22, 1988. But since then, Aoun, with 15,000 troops under his command, has held the traditional presidential palace in the district of Baabda, 5 miles southeast of Beirut.

Aoun has refused to recognize Hrawi, who was chosen president as a result of a peace accord that was worked out last October by the Lebanese parliament in Taif, Saudi Arabia.

In an interview with the French magazine Le Monde, excerpts of which were published Tuesday by the Lebanese Moslem-run daily As-Safir, Aoun ruled out an imminent military offensive against him for the lack of Syrian backing.

''The Syrians have other things to worry about now,'' Aoun said. ''They'll have to follow up on Iraq's events, Israel, the possible collapse of Jordan and internal disturbances,'' Aoun said.

Syria, a main power broker in Lebanon with 35,000 troops covering two-thirds of the country, has sent troops to Saudi Arabia as part of an international deterrent force against Iraq.

Syrian President Hafez Assad was in Iran reportedly seeking to persuade the Iranians to back off from a rapprochement with the Iraqis.

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#90268u0976 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Sales of existing single-family homes increased 2.1 percent in August despite an increase in mortgage interest rates, the National Association of Realtors said Tuesday.

The group's monthly survey reported an annual sales rate of 3.40 million existing dwellings in August vs. 3.33 million homes in July. The figures were adjusted for seasonal factors.

''Sales of previously-owned homes remained at a healthy level during August, reflecting continued buyer strength in certain regions of the country,'' the association said.

''The month-to-month rise shows an upward trend over the last three months, however, the August rate was 1.2 percent lower than the August 1989 rate,'' the group said.

The median price for existing homes was $97,000 in August, and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., Freddie Mac, said the average rate for 30-year fixed-rate mortgages rose last month to 10.24 percent from 9.84 percent.

''Despite rising interest rates, the resale market is stable and slightly better than July,'' said Norman Flynn, president of the national association. ''The strength we see largely is due to people who are buying homes in less populous areas and recreational areas.''

By region, the association said ''sales pace increases were seen in the Midwest and the South from July to August, while the Northeast and West experienced declines.''

In the Northeast, the August resale rate dipped 1.8 percent and the median price last month was $144,900. In the Midwest, resales rose 2.2 percent and the median price was $75,000.

In the South, the resale rate climbed 6.9 percent and the median price was $86,900. In the West, August housing resales fell 3.8 percent and the median price was $141,600.

The association also said there was a 9.4-month supply of existing single-family homes available for sale from coast-to-coast at the end of August, up from a 9.3-month supply in July.

There was an 8.1-month supply in August 1989.

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#90268u0984 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - The surgeon general's report on smoking says quitting is the ''single most important step'' smokers can take to extend their lives. Surgeon General Antonia Novello emphasized the ''good news'' rather than the ''bad news'' of diseases caused by smoking. She says that smokers who quit before the age of 50 will cut by 50 percent the risk of dying in the next 15 years of their lives.

Relatives say it was the stress of being an instant Millionaire that killed William Curry of South Boston. The 37-year-old cafeteria cook won a three-point-six-Million-dollar lottery jackpot last month. He returned to his job for the first time yesterday and suffered a fatal heart attack. His sister-in-law says Curry was beseiged by financial advisers and people asking for some of the money he won, and she says it was that pressure that contributed to his death.

The Vatican says there are limits on how far teachers in Roman Catholic universities can dissent from church doctrine. Pope John Paul released a

Vatican report today that appears to give local bishops more power to enforce doctrine at centers for higher learning. The text does recognize the notion of academic freedom, a concern that U-S educators expressed in trips to Rome.

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#90268u1005 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

LA VERNE, CALIF. (SEPT. 25) UPI - A Special Weapons Team using ''flash-bang'' grenades as a diversion stormed a McDonald's restaurant early Tuesday, freeing 19 hostages held by a gunman during a nearly seven-hour seige.

The incident ended peacefully after a night of chilling memories of the McDonald's massacre of 1984 that left 22 people dead in San Diego.

None of the hostages, who ranged from a 3-year-old girl to an 85- year-old woman, was injured.

The gunman and a second suspect, both ex-convicts believed involved in an earlier armed robbery of a clothing store near the restaurant, were arrested.

The incident began about 5:30 p.m. Monday when Douglas Girard, 32, of San Jacinto, Calif., walked into the Kids Mart clothing store with a handgun and robbed the clerk of about $200, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputy Roger Hom said.

Before leaving the bandit told the clerk that another man armed with a high-powered rifle was waiting outside in a car, Hom said.

The clerk immediately called 911 to report the robbery and a La Verne police officer was at the store within 30 seconds, Hom said.

The officer saw two men who looked liked the suspects walk into the McDonald's restaurant across the street from the children's store. Police immediately surrounded the restaurant.

A McDonald's employee said the men ordered Big Mac hamburgers, French fries and drinks before someone noticed the handgun.

Officers arrested Frank Teresi, 38, of Anaheim, when he walked out minutes later. He was unarmed.

With several employees and customers still inside with Girard, who still had the gun, a sheriff's SWAT team was brought in by helicopter.

Police units from at least three other cities were also sent to aid the small police force in La Verne, a city of 32,000 located about 30 miles east of Los Angeles.

A command post was set up at a high school and a sheriff's negotiator attempted to contact the gunman. A nearby shopping center was evacuated, surrounding streets were closed and family members of the hostages gathered at La Verne's police station.

''During the standoff it was discovered that 12 McDonald's employees had barricaded themselves in the basement of the restaurant away from the gunman '' Hom said. One of the employees used the telephone in the basement to talk with deputies.

Deputies were able to rescue the 12 employees from the basement about 11:25 p.m. Monday, Hom said.

Shortly after midnight, the SWAT team detonated three ''flash-bang'' concussion grenades inside the restaurant. Deputies then rushed the suspect, arrested him without shots fired and rescued two children and five adult customers.

A loaded .38-caliber pistol was recovered inside the restaurant.

Girard was treated for a bloody nose suffered during the arrest and because police believed he was under the influence or heroin, La Verne police Sgt. John Ortega said.

Both Teresi and Girard were booked at the La Verne jail on suspicion of armed robbery and false imprisonment.

Teresi is currently on parole for robbery and being under the influence of drugs, Ortega said. He was held without bail. Teresi was also wanted on four outstanding warrants, one for being under the influence of drugs and three for failing to appear in traffic court.

Girard was released from parole in June, 1990, and was wanted on a bench warrant for failing to appear in a Riverside, Calif. court on a burglary charge, Ortega said.

The incident brought back memories of another Southern California McDonald's about 130 miles to the south. On July 18, 1984 in the San Diego suburb of San Ysidro, 22 people died in a fusillade of gunfire, including gunman James O. Huberty, who killed 21 people at the restaurant before being shot to death by a police sniper.

It was the single largest mass-shooting murder in a single day in U.S. history.

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#90268u1006 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

AUSTIN, TEXAS (SEPT. 25) UPI - A state district judge Tuesday declared

unconstitutional a $528 million school finance reform bill passed by Texas lawmakers in an attempt to meet a state Supreme Court order to equalize education funding between rich and poor districts

The plan, which was challenged by plaintiffs who won the landmark Edgewood vs. Kirby case before the Texas high court, had been before Judge Scott McCown since July.

Kevin O'Hanlon, an assistant attorney general who represented the state in the case, said the ruling by McCown strikes down the new financing system but does not give the state any guidance as to how to remedy the problems.

McCown set a new deadline, Sept 1, 1991, for the Legislature to come up with a more equitable plan.

Lawmakers adopted the $528 million finance in early June in an effort to comply with an order from the state Supreme Court to equalize education funding.

McCown issued the ruling in response to a challenge filed by plaintiffs who won the landmark case before the court. The plaintiffs have argued the proposal is just a ''Band-Aid'' that pumps more money into the same, old inequitable funding system.

The five-year plan, which is backed by a package of tax hikes, budget cuts and fee increases, was passed by lawmakers in June during its fourth special session on the issue.

The plaintiffs, which include the Edgewood School District in San Antonio, contended that the plan did little to meet the Supreme Court order that the state change its system for distributing state aid to guarantee equal educational opportunities to students in wealthy and poor school districts.

O'Hanlon said the finance system will stand for the remainder of the school year and the state will study the decision before it decides to appeal to the Texas Supreme Court.

In the first year, the bill pumps $528 million in new money into the system to begin supplementing districts with low property wealth.

Passage of the bill came just a few days after a special court master released a ''Robin Hood'' plan for redistributing already appropriated education money. That plan would have taken millions from rich and urban districts to supplement poor schools.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	52	11
Amsterdam c	1pm	59	15
Ankara c	3pm	81	27
Athens c	2pm	85	29
Auckland c	12m	50	10
Beijing cy	8pm	65	18
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	55	13
Bonn r	1pm	52	11
Brussels r	1pm	52	11
Cairo c	2pm	82	28
Casablanca pc	12n	76	24
Copenhagen r	1pm	49	09
Dakar pc	12n	87	30
Dublin pc	1pm	57	14
Geneva cy	1pm	62	17
Helsinki cy	2pm	45	07
Hong Kong cy	8pm	78	25
Jerusalem c	2pm	76	24
Karachi c	5pm	88	31
Lisbon pc	1pm	71	22
London pc	1pm	58	15
Madrid cy	1pm	66	19
Malta c	1pm	90	32
Manila cy	8pm	83	28
Moscow cy	3pm	46	08
Nairobi pc	3pm	74	23
Nassau c	7am	81	27
New Delhi r	6pm	80	27
Nice pc	1pm	71	21
Oslo cy	1pm	48	09
Paris pc	1pm	61	16
Pretoria c	2pm	79	26
Riyadh	3pm	101	38
Rome pc	1pm	74	23
Seoul c	9pm	67	20
Sofia c	2pm	70	21
Stockholm r	1pm	46	08
Sydney c	10pm	67	19
Taipei r	8pm	76	24
Tokyo cy	9pm	77	25
Tunis c	1pm	97	36
Vienna c	1pm	64	18
Warsaw cy	1pm	59	15

Latin America			
Buenos Aires c	9am	55	13
Caracas	8am	-	-
Havana c	7am	76	25
Lima cy	7am	59	15
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	66	19
Santiago r	8am	49	10
Canada			
Calgary c		83	28
Edmonton c		84	29
Montreal cy		56	13
Ottawa r		52	11
Regina c		82	27
Toronto cy		63	17
Vancouver cy		65	18
Winnipeg c		80	26

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Special				
Fansteel Inc	..	.15	10-15	10-4
Usual				
Amer Tel & Telgraph	Q	.33	11-1	10-3
Bowl America A	Q	.67	11-1	10-10
Bull & Bear Hi Yld	M	.08	9-28	9-24
Disney (Walt) Co	Q	.15	11-14	10-24
Hartford Steam Boil	Q	.45	10-25	10-10
Hormel (Geo A)	Q	.06 1/2	11-15	10-20
Nipsco Industries	Q	.26	11-20	10-31

Technitrol Inc	Q	.28	10-23	10-9
Varlen Corp	Q	.15	10-31	10-15
Washington Fed & Svgs	Q	.24	10-19	10-9
Zions Bancorp	Q	.36	10-25	10-1

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 25) UPI - Former Philippine first lady Imelda Marcos, granted immunity from prosecution, testified Tuesday before a federal grand jury investigating allegations of $17 milion in bribes paid by Westinghouse Electric Corp. to her late husband.

Marcos's lawyer said she was not a target of the investigation into $17 million allegedly funneled to Ferdinand Marcos in connection with construction of a nuclear power plant in the Philippines.

Mrs. Marcos was greeted outside the courthouse by several dozen supporters. She offered hugs, kisses and handshakes to them before an initial appearance before U.S. District Judge Alan Bloch, who signed a grant of immunity.

''They wrote a letter and offered it,'' her attorney, James Linn, said outside the grand jury room. ''Any attorney who would decline it would be crazy. It means what she says cannot be used against her. It also means she is not a target.''

Linn said he expected Marcos to be in front of the grand jury ''for most of the day.'' He said she has little information to offer to the investigation.

The intermediary who allegedly funneled the bribe to Ferdinand Marcos is the former president's one-time golfing partner, Herminio Disini.

''She hardly knew (Disini),'' Linn said. ''I think she only met him two or three times in her life.''

Westinghouse acknowledges the $17 million payment to Disini but said the money was paid as commissions to him for his assistance when Westinghouse was attempting to secure the construction contract for a $2.3 billion nuclear power plant.

The plant was built about 60 miles west of Manila but has never been put into operation by the government under Corazon Aquino.

A jury in New York this year cleared Mrs. Marcos of fraud charges involving the Marcoses's purchase of millions of dollars in real estate.

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#90268u1053 09/25/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-91.75 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.40- 2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 130.62 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 45.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.00- $459.00; dealer-approx., $459.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 281.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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#90268u1067 09/25/1990 ~United Press International
BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (SEPT. 25) UPI - Recent sharp hikes in oil prices during the Persian Gulf crisis are the ''totally unjustified and indefensible''

result of speculation at consumer expense, the European Community's top energy official said Tuesday.

He also warned the oil and gas industries that their ''future relationships with governments'' could be threatened by recent practices.

Oil prices have doubled since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, and spot oil prices topped $40 on Monday for the first time in a decade.

''The increases in oil prices yesterday and in the past few weeks are totally unjustified and indefensible,'' said Antonio Cardoso e Cunha, the EC energy commissioner.

''They can only be explained by speculation at the expense of consumers,'' he said.

The loss of oil production from Iraq and Kuwait as a result of the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo imposed in the wake of the Iraqi invasion has been made up by higher production elsewhere, he said, so oil stocks in Europe and other regions are ''unusually high.''

About 11 percent of the 12-nation EC's oil imports came from Iraq and Kuwait last year.

Companies and traders will eventually be left holding high-priced oil and facing large financial losses, and ''they will deserve no public sympathy,'' Cardoso said in a statement.

''I believe that the oil companies and the oil-producing countries should now think very carefully about the long-term implications of this situation,'' he said.

Prices paid by Europeans for gasoline will soon rise ''considerably,'' he said because oil companies link gas and oil prices, ''a practice which is no longer justifiable'' in the current speculative market.

''The oil and gas industries should reflect on the effect these types of practices could have on public opinion and on their future relations with governments,'' Cardoso said.

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#90268u1070 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NORFOLK, VA (SEPT. 25) UPI - The Navy's newest nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, the $3 billion USS Abraham Lincoln, steamed out of port Tuesday, headed for a long shakedown cruise and its new homeport of Alameda, Calif.

About 4,500 sailors and some 500 families will be leaving Norfolk for the West

Coast. They will bring a $30 million payroll to the area around the Naval Air Station in Alameda.

The 95,000-ton, 1,092-foot carrier pulled out of the Norfolk Naval Station at 10:35 a.m. as dozens of family members waved goodbyes to the sailors who stood in crisp white uniforms along the deck rail.

A banner hung on the ship's stern read like a huge license plate: ''1990 California, Made in VA''

''It's a great ship and a great crew,'' Capt. William Hayden of Oakland, Calif., said. ''We're ready to go to sea.''

The Lincoln will travel for about two months, sailing around Cape Horn on the tip of South America, to its new Pacific base. It is the first extensive cruise for the Navy's fifth Nimitz-class carrier, built at a cost of more than $3 billion at Newport News Shipbuilding.

Alameda was at one time the homeport of all nuclear-powered carriers assigned to the West Coast but it recently lost the Nimitz to a new port in Bremerton, Wash., as well as the carrier Carl Vinson and the carrier Enterprise to extensive overhauls.

The Enterprise, which was in Alameda, traveled to Norfolk this year for the start of a $1 billion overhaul.

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DEARBORN, MI (SEPT. 25) UPI - Honda Motor Co. has announced plans to have both driver- and passenger-side air bags as standard equipment on all Honda and Acura cars starting with the 1994-model year.

Company President Nobuhiko Kawamoto, during a press conference Monday in Dearborn, denied that Honda's decision had anything to do with rival Chrysler Corp.'s safety-oriented advertising.

Chrysler is boasting that it is the only U.S. manufacturer to have driver-side air bags as standard equipment in all domestically made models.

Federal safety regulations stipulate that after Sept. 1, 1993, all new cars must have passive restraints for both the driver and front passenger. That includes automatic shoulder belts, although most carmakers are expected to choose air bags, as public acceptance of the balloon-like safety devices grows.

Industry leader General Motors Corp. plans to install passenger-side air bags in all models by 1996, relying on automatic belts in some models until then. Ford Motor Co. plans to do the same by the mid-1990s.

A spokesman for Honda North America Inc. in Detroit said Tuesday all of Honda's car lines will have undergone major redesigns by 1994, which will include the dual air bags.

But he said driver-side air bags will be phased in before then on cars like its mid-sized Accord, which is now equipped with automatic belts. Only its Acura Legend and sporty NSX models now have driver-side air bags as standard.

Kawamoto's visit to Detroit was part of his first U.S. tour since he was named to his new position in June from senior managing director.

On other matters, Kawamoto, 54, said he does not expect to increase Honda's U.S. production capacity in the near future. Honda now operates assembly plants in Marysville and East Liberty, Ohio, with a total capacity of 500,000 Accord and Civic cars.

He also said the Honda has plans to boost the domestic content of its U.S.-made cars from 70 percent to 80 percent.

''We want to make really American cars,'' Kawamoto said. ''That is the first job for me.''

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 25) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Tuesday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4- 1.03 1/4.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 80-83; large 76-82; medium 58-64.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - There's word of some progress toward agreement on a 500-BILLION- dollar deficit-reduction package, but the White House warns administration and congressional negotiators that time is running out. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says- quote- ''the consequences of their negotiations are central to the course of the economy.''

Negotiators face an October 1st deadline to reach agreement on a deficit-cutting budget or face sequester- that is, massive, automatic

across-the-board cuts. Fitzwater says a sequester would be very difficult for the economy as well as for the country directly in terms of services provided.

The Commerce Department is out with new warnings about the economy. The final revision on second-quarter gross national product shows it was up four-tenths of one percent, NOT the one-point-two percent originally reported. And corporate profits dropped six-tenths of one percent, once taxes were paid.

October 6th is the date for the flight of the space shuttle Discovery. The 750-Million-dollar mission will carry a European science probe into space, where it will then be fired at the sun. The four-day mission is the first for NASA since April. Fuel leaks have grounded the shuttles Columbia and Atlantis.

An official of the International Energy Agency in Paris says the world petroleum market has adequate reserves of crude oil to withstand the embargo against Iraq... but the supply of refined oil products is less clear. The official says supplies of crude- quote- ''remain sufficient, though NOT comfortable.''

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#90268u1138 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - The Pentagon has released its yearly assessment on Soviet military strength. And the 111-page document shows that Soviet defense spending dropped by five percent last year. Tank production dropped by one-half, but the Kremlin continued to modernize its intercontinental ballistic missile force.

The World Health Organization predicts that Millions of infants will have developed and died of AIDS by the turn of the century. The report from the U-N health agency estimates that 400-thousand infants have already been stricken by AIDS world-wide.

A special 15-member congressional panel has released its final report, calling for development of a universal health care program for the country. But commission members could NOT agree on how to fund the estimated yearly cost of 70-BILLION dollars. The program would replace and expand Medicare.

A SWAT team used so-called ''flash-bang'' grenades as a diversionary tactic and stormed a McDonalds restaurant in La Verne, California, last night, freeing 19 hostages held by a gunmen during a six-hour seige. The incident ended peacefully after a night of chilling memories of the McDonalds' massacre of 1984 that left 22 people dead in San Diego.

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#90268u1153 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

SOFIA, BULGARIA (SEPT. 25) UPI - Bulgarian Socialist Party leader Alexander

Lilov was re-elected to the party chairmanship Tuesday in a resounding defeat for liberals who sought faster economic reform and a complete break with the party's authoritarian past.

With up to a third of the membership threatening to walk out, Lilov appealed for party unity and promised to complete the democratic restructuring of the Socialist party, formerly known as the Communist Party.

Lilov won the leadership by a margin of 2-1 at the end of an all- night session of the 39th party congress in Sofia. Less than 24 hours earlier, he had offered to resign amid growing demands by reformist factions for a purge of the old-guard communist leadership.

''I hope the leaders of the reformist factions will continue to work for the radical reformation and renovation of the party,'' Lilov said in a closing speech.

Liberal party members had predicted a split if Lilov was re-elected and were to debate the issue at a meeting Saturday.

''We will not play the game of the old guard. If Lilov wins we will not serve on the presidium or on any bodies,'' said George Karasameonov, a delegate from Sofia and a prominent member of a radical reformist faction known as Demos, on Monday.

Few leaders of radical factions were named to the 151-member Party Supreme Council, also elected Tuesday. But also failing to make the list were several prominent conservatives closely associated with former communist leader Todor Zhivkov's hard-line regime - including former President Petar Mladenov and Finance Minister Belcho Belchev.

In offering his resignation Monday, Lilov condemned attempts to remove older and more conservative members from the leadership as ''profoundly wrong and dangerous.''

During his closing speech, Lilov stressed the need for ''all Socialists to join hands'' and ''keep working for the renewal and unity of the party on the basis of the plurality of opinions, ideas and platforms.''

He described the congress as ''difficult but successful,'' and emphasized the importance of the other achievements of the 4-day meeting. These included agreements on platform language calling the transformation of the BSP into a modern social-democratic party and urging a purge of corrupt party members.

The delegates also voted to adopt the red rose as the official party symbol, replacing the red star that stood for Bulgarian communism for the past 44 years.

The political maneuvering during the congress sparked confusion and speculation over the future of the ruling Socialists, who changed their name from the Communist Party in April after adopting sweeping democratic reforms.

Although the party won a parliamentary majority in historic multiparty elections in June, public opinion polls and a declining membership show its strength is waning as Bulgaria's economic crisis worsens.

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#90268u1158 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA (SEPT. 25) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 1,100; trading on slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, prices both classes 50-75 higher than Monday; not enough slaughter cows or bulls on offer to adquately test the market; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-4 1075-1350 lb 77.50-78.50, near 4 loads 78.75-79.00, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 76.00-77.50

, select No 2-3 74.00-76.00; holsteins select and choice No 2-3 near 1150 lb 69.00; heifers choice No 2-4 950-1250 lb 77.50-78.50, 2 loads 78.75-79.00, select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 75.50-77.50, select No 2-3 73.00-75.50; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 boning 56.00, canner and low cutter few 48.00-52.50.

Hogs 1,500; butchers 1.00-1.50 higher, No 1-3 220-270 lb 60.00-60.50, many under 260 lb 60.50, No 1-2 190-220 lb 56.00-59.00; sows 20 percent, under 500 lb steady to 50 higher, over 500 lb 2.50 higher, No 1-3 350-500 lb 48.00-48.50,470 lb and up 49.00-49.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 52.50-53.00.

Sheep 200, slaughter classes mostly steady; shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 120- 135 lb No 1-2 pelts 50.00-51.00, 110-120 lb 47.00- 50.00; wooled slaughter lambs, choice and prime 120-135 lb 48.00-49.00, 110-120 lb 45.00-48.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door; steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 66-69.

#90268u1179 09/25/1990 ~United Press International
NEW DELHI (SEPT. 25) UPI - Angry students rampaged through the southern part of the capital Tuesday, torching dozens of vehicles and hurling stones at police following the death of a young man who set himself ablaze to protest a controversial federal job quota program.

Police opened fire on a mob trying to torch a bus and police cars, killing at least one man, the Press Trust of India and witnesses said. Hospital sources said at least five other youths were wounded by police gunfire, including a 16-year-old boy shot in the head.

The violence in the capital came as Mukesh Goel, a student in Ghaziabad city on the eastern edge of New Delhi, poured fuel on his body and set himself ablaze, the fifth person to attempt self-immolation to protest the federal job quota plan.

The Press Trust of India said the youth received burns over 60 percent of his body. Sandeep Choudhury, a student in Haryana state north of New Delhi, killed himself by swallowing insecticide to protest the job plan, the Press Trust said.

The violent clashes around Safdarjung Hospital in the capital erupted as news spread about the death of S.S. Chauhan, 24, a university student who poured gasoline over his body Monday and set himself ablaze. Chauhan received burns over 90 percent of his body and died at 10:15 a.m. Tuesday, officials said.

Chauhan was the fourth student to set himself ablaze in less than a week but the first to die of his injuries. He set himself on fire to protest a government decision to reserve 27 percent of all federal jobs for the so-called backward classes.

Hours before his death, police staged a lightning raid on the area around Safdarjung Hospital, driving away hundreds of students who had been maintaining a vigil since last Wednesday, when the first student set himself ablaze and was hospitalized there.

Students had maintained control of the area for several days and had neatly painted over the street signs in front of the hospital, renaming the tree-lined, six-lane avenue Rajiv Goswami Road in honor of the first student to set himself on fire.

Dolly Kandpal, a Delhi University student, said police rounded up about 2,500 students up in the pre-dawn raid. ''Lots of the guys are missing and their parents don't know where they are,'' she said.

Following the raid, police blocked the avenue and cordoned off an area about 1 mile around the hospital. As news of Chauhan's death spread, students returned

to the area and erected their own roadblocks on main streets and side roads near police lines using large stones, tree limbs and burning bicycle tires.

Police clashed with the male and female university students in the area, beating them with cane clubs and firing tear gas and live ammunition. The students charged that police opened fire on them without provocation.

''We were opposing the implementation of this black reservation (program),'' said one student, who identified himself only as Gautam. ''We stood there protesting against the government and the police and they fired on us unprovoked.''

The use of live ammunition triggered an angry reaction by the protesters. The youths stopped buses, government cars, trucks and motorcycles passing through the area. They forced the drivers and passengers out of the vehicles and set them ablaze.

Burned-out vehicles littered the neighborhood around Safdarjung Airport, just north of the hospital. At one forked intersection, students torched two government cars, overturned one of the vehicles and used its charred hood to build a street barricade.

A block away, flames licked at the tires of a truck, causing them to squeal and explode. Smoke hung over the neighborhood and only bicycles, motor scooters and three-wheeled auto-rickshaws moved on the streets.

''An hour ago it was solid police and people,'' said one man. ''People throwing stones and police firing tear gas and things like that.''

''They want to shut down democracy in India,'' said one youth who had been arrested and put inside a blue police bus with wire-mesh windows. ''We were protesting democratically today. We were chanting slogans and they arrested us.''

Another arrested youth defended those who have set themselves on fire to protest the federal job quota program, saying: ''All other peaceful methods have been tried. We have no other alternative left to us.''

High-caste youths oppose the job reservation scheme because it will restrict their ability to find work in India's elaborate bureacracy, which includes not only government and military service but banks, railways and other forms of business.

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BY ARELY MUNOZ - UPI

SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (SEPT. 25) UPI - When Salvadoran children play war, they choose to be rebels or soldiers, imitating a decade of civil strife that has orphaned or killed countless playmates and seen their older brothers take up real guns.

The country's youngest children have never lived in peacetime, but were born and raised in the midst of ''an absurd war waged by the absurd,'' in the words of San Salvador's Auxiliary Bishop Gregorio Rosa Chavez.

''That war that, after the violence of last November, children at play innocently imitated. That war that sweeps away the lives of infants, mutilates their tender bodies, that has left thousands of orphans,'' he said.

Since 1979, more than 72,000 Salvadorans have been killed in the war and related violence - victims of combat, of government bombing raids, political assassinations and massacres. The majority of them were civilians.

But for many of El Salvador's children, war is still just a game.

A major rebel offensive last November - centered on the capital and major cities - ended a lull in the fighting and brought the word ''war'' into the minds and on to the lips of children.

An article published following the offensive illustrated how children between the ages of 8 and 12 crawled in the dirt, using sticks as guns.

The article described the game in the children's words: ''It's the third day of an offensive, we are fighting against the soldiers ... look out they're coming again ... bang! bang! surrender, surrender!''

Guillermo Martir, a child psychologist with the independent Association for Mental Health Training and Research, attempts to explain the game.

''The children live in an atmosphere of war and violence, so they incorporate violence in their games. It is part of daily life here,'' he said.

Martir also blames the civil war for family breakups that lead youths to take drugs and join gangs of delinquents, while young girls fall into prostitution.

A professor at the University of El Salvador takes the tragedy a step further:

''The children we see playing war today, if this does not end, they will be the ones making war tomorrow. You have to take into account that these children are aged between 5 and 12, and soon they will be ready to swell the ranks of one side or the other,'' he warned.

UNICEF estimates that 80 percent of the children born in El Salvador suffer from malnutrition, most of them in rural areas. And again it comes down to the

war.

Edmundo Avalos, director of the Benjamin Bloom children's hospital, notes that 30 percent of the national budget goes to pay for the war, while less than 10 percent is earmarked for health programs.

Nearly a third of the estimated 190,000 births each year in El Salvador are to women between the age of 12 and 19, and 23 percent of school age children do not complete their studies.

Rosa Chavez denounces this as he prays for the ''thousands of Salvadoran children looking for food in trashcans, those who are raped, and those who wander the streets, commanding public charity.''

He blames war for ''filling the jails, and plunging so many homes into sadness and abandonment because of the absence of the father.

''There are children's rights that are virtually unknown. I think we adults forget this, that the country should be made for the children,'' Rosa Chavez said.

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(SEPT. 25) CORPORATE EARNINGS:

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Cabletron Systems (2nd Q 8-31)	
$42,370,000	$25,317,000
$8,510,000 (.32)	$5,783,000 (.22)
Carolina Freight (3rd Q 9-9)	
$171,340,000	$152,117,000
a-$1,612,000 (.25)	b-$1,077,000 (.16)
a-Includes gains on the sale of assets of $92, 000.	
b-After losses on the sale of assets of $593, 000.	
Helian Health Group (3rd Q 8-31)	
$4,639,000	$4,530,000
$580,000 (.14)	$414,000 (.15)
MDS Health Group (3rd Q 7-31)	
$72,131,000	$56,641,000
$3,094,000 (.18)	$2,610,000 (.15)
Mercury Air Group (4th Q 6-30)	
$15,518,000	$16,699,000

$177,000 (.08) d-$37,000
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Micron Technology (4th Q 8-30)
$105,301,000 $103,036,000
$3,042,000 (.08) $15,960,000 (.42)

Natl Medical Enterp (1st Q 8-31)
$894,764,000 $996,325,000
$59,651,000 (.75) $50,020,000 (.65)

Stride Rite (3rd Q 8-31)
$148,201,000 $128,548,000
$16,489,000 (.63) $13,308,000 (.49)

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Two Canadian tourists who stopped their car to escort an elderly woman across a street were beaten by a group of youths who thought the visitors were robbing the woman.

The incident occurred in the Bensonhurst section of Brooklyn Monday night, said Police Department spokeswoman Janice Swinney.

Eric Plourde, 19, and Patrick Chartrand, 20, both of Quebec, had stopped at a traffic light when they saw the elderly woman, who asked for their help in crossing the street, Swinney said.

Chartrand said as he returned to his car, the woman collapsed and cried out for help again.

Chartrand and Plourde both rushed to her side and were helping her to her feet when a group of as many as a dozen teenagers surrounded them, police said.

Swinney said the youths apparently thought the elderly woman was being mugged and asked Chartrand and Plourde several questions they did not understand - since they speak French - and attacked them with clubs.

Finally Chartrand managed to get free and jumped in his car and drove off. Plourde grabbed the window of the car and hung on as the car sped away. Both were treated for bruises and cuts at Coney Island Hospital.

The woman vanished during the altercation as did the youths, police said.

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#90268u1235 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (SEPT. 25) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev called exiled writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn a great man Tuesday but said his ideas are destructive and he ''belongs to the past.''

Writing last week from abroad for two Soviet newspapers, the anti- Communist Solzhenitsyn, 71, said the Soviet Union should divest itself of its multinational state and consist only of three Slavic republics.

''Being a politician I do not share the views of Mr. Solzhenitsyn,'' Gorbachev told Parliament. ''He belongs to the past, Russia of the former years, Czarist monarchy.

''I do not accept his views with respect to the future of our multinational state and these views are far away from reality and they are far away from the actual state in which the country is at present.''

Gorbachev, in effect conducting an unprecedented dialogue with Russia's great man of letters, said he had twice read Solzhenitsyn's recent manifest, ''How to make Russia a living place.''

''And after thinking it over I have a feeling and I still have a story of contradictory feelings,'' Gorbachev said. ''Being a Russian as he is, I am also concerned about the destiny of Russian people, about the destiny of Russia.

''I fully understand it ... and at the same time there is a sort of disrespect here.

''I will say more I believe that in their nature the views have a destructive character, although I do believe that they have some very deep source in them. They are very interesting, because these thoughts are put forward by a very famous and great man.''

Solzhentisyn, who has lived in Cavendish, Vermont, since he was exiled from Russia in 1974, was given his citizenship back but has refused entreaties to return home from the Russian Republic prime minister Ivan Silayev.

But Solzhenitsyn, at work on a massive series of historical novels, said he will not go back until old charges against him are dropped and he gets an apology.

Although Solzhenitsyn was deported because of publishing abroad his mammoth history of the Soviet prison camp system, the ''Gulag Archipelago,'' that book and all his other writings are now openly published in the Soviet Union.

Despite the difference with Solzhenitsyn's concept of Russia, Gorbachev's across-the-ocean dialogue with the writer was an open admission of the vast eminence that Solzhenitsyn enjoys in his native land and the popularity of his

views.

The dialogue also recalled Gorbachev's reaching out to the Soviet Union's other great dissident Andrei Sakharov, by calling him by telephone in his exile in Gorky in 1986 and telling him to come back to Moscow. Sakharov, who was then elected to Parliament, died as a hero last year.

Solzhenitsyn, a decorated officer during World War II, was sent to a labor prison camp right from the front in 1945 because of a letter he wrote referring to dicator Josef Stalin as the ''whiskered one.''

But he emerged from eight years in the camps to publish a novella about his imprisonment, ''One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich,'' followed by a series of novels making him the most prominent Russian writer of his generation.

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#90268u1250 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - The 15-nation U-N Security Council is to vote this afternoon on a resolution asking governments to withdraw landing rights to aircraft flying to and from Iraq or occupied Kuwait. The resolution also would forbid airlines from making scheduled or non-scheduled flights to these two countries. U-N diplomats say the air embargo most likely will be approved because the five permanent members of the council already have agreed on the resolution.

President Bush has signed the treaty that reunifies the two Germanies, sending it to the Senate for ratification. The historic accord ends the artifical division of Germany at the end of World War Two. It makes the current borders the permanent ones for the new Germany. And all Soviet troops are to be out of German territory by the end of 1994.

Reports from Lebanon indicate that summit talks between Syria and Iran could lead to freedom for some of the 13 foreign hostages still held in the war-torn country. The reports quote unnamed diplomatic sources who say the releases could come after Syrian President Hafez Assad returns from Iran in the next day.

The first Seoul Peace Prize went to International Olympic Committee President Juan Antonio Samaranch today for his ''contributions to world peace and harmony of mankind.'' The prize, awarded to Samaranch in the South Korean capital, consists of a citation, a plaque and a cash gift of 300-thousand dollars. The award commemorates the 1988 Seoul Summer Olympics. Samaranch says he will donate the prize money to an Olympic museum in Lausanne, Switzerland.

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#90268u1252 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - Another try is being made at setting up a peace conference for Cambodia. An attempt last week in Bangkok, Thailand, fell apart after three days in a squabble over who would serve as chairman. Now Cambodian resistance leaders say the have settled their differences and are waiting for word from the Vietnamese-backed government.

There are NO reports of injuries among any of the 204 passengers aboard a chartered British airliner that lost cabin pressure over the Atlantic early this morning. The Boeing 757 turned back less than two hours after leaving Bangor International Airport in Maine and made a safe landing.

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LONDON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Don't let your children be tempted into following the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles into the sewers, the government warned parents this week after two children were rescued from a culvert.

The turtles - Leonardo, Michaelangelo, Raphael and Donatello - are self-styled crimebusting cartoon characters who love takeaway pepperoni pizza and yell ''Cowabunga.''

The problem, as far as the government is concerned, is that they live and adventure in sewers. And the turtle craze has encouraged some children to venture underground.

''What's O.K. for Ninja Turtles may not be good for children,'' warned Gus Gaugain, of the British Health and Safety Executive said. ''Don't let your children be tempted to follow their cartoon heros, the Mutant Ninja Turtles, in adventures down sewers.''

Recently, two youngsters wre rescued from a culvert by the fire brigade at Stoke-on-Trent. Two other children emerged from a manhole on a English Midlands building site after a Ninja Turtle game. Other incidents were reported from Leeds, Hertfordshire and North London.

The turtles have captured the imaginations of British children, as Americans before them. Even the princes William 8, and Harry 6, are crazy about the mutants.

''Yes, the Mutant Turtles have taken over our household too,'' the boys' mother Princess Diana said recently.

The Turtles appear twice daily on satellite television and Saturday mornings on the British Broadcasting Corporation.

In Britain, they have been renamed Hero Turtles, rather than Ninja Turtles ''because of connection to martial arts,'' a BBC spokesman said.

Heros or not, the turtles have caused problems, Gaugain said.

''Responsible construction companies do everything possible to stop children trespassing on construction sites, but the children may still be able to gain access to sewers if they are determined to do so,'' said Gaugain.

''Children and parents should realize that sewers, culverts and other underground drainage networkks are extremely dangerous places. Apart from injuries from slips or falls, there are risks of drowning or of suffocation from lack of oxygen. Entering sewers without proper precautions and equipment could easily have lethal consequences.''

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - Oil markets were rallying midday Tuesday after prices dipped as traders took profits on the prior day's rise when Iraqi war threats drove crude over $40 a barrel for the first time in 10 years.

The widely traded North Sea Brent, which rose to a decade-high price of $40.40 a barrel Monday, was being quoted midday at $40.70 a barrel on the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash. It sold earlier at $40.20 a barrel.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery was up 40 cents over Monday's close to $38.65 a barrel after trading as low as $37.10 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt delivery WTI was losing 30 cents to $38.75 a barrel.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light, the key Middle East crude shipped mainly to the Far East, had gained 30 cents to $34.15 a barrel.

''The Merc came in weak on the back of European profit taking. After we held at $37 a barrel, the market started to move back up,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading at New York's United Energy Inc.

''We'll probably test Monday's (WTI) highs of $39.20 a barrel. The fact that the Brent is strong is a good sign the market wants to go higher,'' the trader said.

Bentz expected WTI prices to go to $42-$43 a barrel soon.

Even though there are ample supplies of crude, the spot price of Brent crude had more than doubled since its $20.50 a barrel level on the day before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait triggered the Gulf crisis and the U.N. embargo of

exports from the two nations.

Prices shot up Monday on weekend threats by Iraq's President Saddam Hussein to retaliate against Israel and oil fields in Saudi Arabia if the U.N. embargo causes pain in his country.

''We're rallying back on the same old fears,'' said Peter Beutel, an analyst with Pegasus Econometrics Inc. of Hoboken, N.J.

''The market has got to decide whether Iraq's threats are credible or not,'' said Robert Baker, senior energy analyst with Prudential-Bache Securities Inc. in New York.

On the Merc, unleaded gasoline for October delivery was up 0.17 cent at $1.0440 a gallon after trading as low as $1.01 a gallon earlier.

October home heating oil was up 0.13 cent at $1.045 a gallon, 3.3 cents higher than its morning low.

Turkish President Turgut Ozal, interviewed on the Cable News Network, said the embargo against Iraq will almost certainly resolve the gulf crisis and that threats of war by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein are rhetoric.

He called recent Iraqi war threats an ''exaggeration'' that prove the economic embargo is working.

Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze also warned Iraq it may face military action. He is presiding over a U.N. Security Council meeting is expected to vote air embargo against Baghdad.

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#90268u1300 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

IRVING, TX (SEPT. 25) UPI - Backup quarterback Steve Walsh was traded by the Dallas Cowboys Tuesday to the New Orleans Saints for three draft picks.

The Cowboys will receive a first- and third-round draft choice in 1991 and a No. 2 choice in 1992. The second-round choice could be upgraded to a first-round pick, depending on Walsh's performance.

Walsh, who played at the University of Miami, was selected by Dallas in the supplemental draft last year, but has seen little action behind Troy Aikman, the No. 1 choice overall in the 1989 draft.

The Saints lost their first two games this season behind quarterback John Fourcade before winning last Sunday. Walsh will compete with Fourcade for the starter's job.

Bobby Hebert was the starting quarterback for New Orleans at the start of last season, but has vowed never to play for the team again.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - The chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. warned Tuesday that raising bank premiums to bolster the nation's shrinking insurance fund will cut into the profits of the ailing industry.

''A higher premium cannot be the answer to the problem,'' FDIC chief William Seidman told the House Banking Committee. ''We weaken the overall soundess of the banking industry through reducing profits.''

Weaker banks would fail if forced to pay higher premiums, he said.

Although Seidman has advocated a higher premium, he agreed with Federal Reserve Board Chairman Alan Greenspan that more steps must be taken for banks to bolster their capital reserves - and not rely heavily on the government.

''We have to do something about the risk in the system,'' Seidman said.

The White House and Congress are eager to push through legislation lifting a ceiling on the premium the FDIC can charge banks. The FDIC protects bank deposits up to $100,000.

The current premium is 12 cents per $100 of deposits. It will be increased to 15 cents per $100 on Jan. 1 - or possibly 19 1/2 cents per $100 pending a decision Thursday by FDIC officials, the agency said.

The size of the government's Bank Insurance Fund has fallen to about $13 billion in the biggest wave of bank failures since the Great Depression, including the recent collapse of the National Bank of Washington in Washington D.C.

''The fund is now clearly under stress and will continue to be under stress for some time to come even with the 19 1/2 cent premium,'' Seidman told the congressional panel.

But lawmakers, who failed to forsee the crisis in the savings and loan industry, are eager to take some sort of action to avert similar widespread problems in America's commercial banking industry.

In his testimony, Seidman said that, ''Deposit insurance reforms that do not deal with the structural problems will produce few lasting improvements in the deposit insurance system and will not materially reduce the ultimate exposure of the taxpayer to difficulties among banks and thrifts.''

''The purpose of deposit insurance reforms should not be to hold together an antiquated banking industry,'' Seidman said.

Some members of the committee called on Seidman and other government regulators to go tough on the nation's banks.

The financial institutions ''need more supervision, more examination, '' said Rep. Frank Annunzio, D-Ill. ''The more we can examine the banks the more we can keep them in line.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - CBS won the first week of the 1990-91 television season, the first time the network has been tops for premiere week since 1984, it was reported Tuesday.

It was the first time since the week ending Jan. 25, 1987 that CBS won a week during the season.

Three of the four CBS shows in the top 10 (actually top 11 because of a tie for 10th place) were women-oriented - ''Designing Women,'' tied with ''60 Minutes'' for third, ''Murphy Brown'' in sixth and ''Major Dad'' tied for 10th.

In addition, CBS's top-rated new show was ''The Trials of Rosie O'Neill,'' in 28th, and its winning Sunday movie was ''Leona Helmsley: The Queen of Mean.''

Comedy remains king for the new season - nine of the top 11 shows are sitcoms.

The CBS win was not exactly a landslide, with only 0.4 rating points separating No. 1 from No. 3, making it the closest premiere week since the start of the 1966-67 season. The one-two spots on the Nielsen list went to NBC's ''Cheers'' and ABC's ''Roseanne.''

In ratings for the week ending Sept. 23, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., CBS won with a 13.6 rating and a 23 share. NBC was second with a 13.4 rating and a 23 share, edging out ABC which posted a 13.2 rating and a 22 share.

In explaining the win David Poltrack, senior vice president, planning and research, CBS/Broadcast group, said: ''As we have noted before, CBS entered the season with a two-part strategy. One, build on our sophisticated adult programming base and, two, attract a new young audience.''

Curt Block, vice president, media relations, at NBC, said, ''First we want to congratulate CBS. They won the closest premiere week since 1966. Almost by definition premiere week is atypical - it's not a normal week.

''This is week one and we are in this for the long haul and we'll see how

things pan out. The 1990-91 season has begun and it looks like it will be close.''

Janice Gretemeyer, director of media relations for ABC, noted that ABC's ratings were up 1 percent over last year's opening week, while CBS was up 5 percent and NBC down 20 percent.

The top-rated of the new shows were special, out-of-time-period showings of ''American Dreamer'' (NBC) and ''Married People'' (ABC), tied for 20th. In their regular time periods, ''American Dreamer'' dropped to a tie for 53rd and ''Married People'' tied for 32nd.

Next among the newcomers was ''Rosie O'Neill,'' 28th, followed by ''America's Funniest People'' (ABC), tied for 32nd; ''The Flash'' (CBS), 34th; ''Uncle Buck'' (CBS), 35th; ''Fresh Prince of Bel Air'' (NBC), tied for 41st; ''Evening Shade'' (CBS), 45th; ''The Fanelli Boys'' (NBC), tied for 51st; ''Law and Order'' (NBC), tied for 53rd; ''Ferris Bueller'' (NBC), 57th; ''Working It Out'' (NBC), tied for 58th.

Down on the low end of the list were ''Gabriel's Fire'' (ABC), 62nd; ''Get A Life'' (Fox), 64th; ''Parenthood'' (NBC), 67th; ''Family Man'' (CBS), 71st; ''Lenny'' (CBS), tied for 72nd; ''E.A.R.T.H. Force'' (CBS), 77th; ''Parker Lewis'' (Fox), 78th; ''True Colors'' (Fox), 80th; ''Against The Law'' (Fox), 84th; ''DEA'' (Fox), tied for 85th, and ''American Chronicles'' (Fox), 89th.

In the Sunday movie clash, ''Queen of Mean'' (CBS) was in 24th; NBC's ''She Said No'' was 29th and ABC's ''The Running Man'' tied for 47th.

Night-by-night competition saw NBC win Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. CBS won Sunday and Monday and ABC took Wednesday and Friday.

ABC's ''World News Tonight'' was No. 1 for the 37th consecutive week, with a 10.3 rating and a 21 share. ''NBC Nightly News'' with Tom Brokaw moved up to second with an 8.8 rating and an 18 share, while ''CBS Evening News'' with Dan Rather dropped to third with an 8.5 rating and a 17 share.

Each ratings point represents about 921,000 households. A share is the percentage of TV sets in use that are tuned to a particular show or network.

The top programs for the week ending Sunday, Sept. 23, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., were:

1. Cheers (NBC)
2. Roseanne (ABC)
3. (tie) 60 Minutes (CBS)
4. Designing Women (CBS)
5. The Cosby Show (NBC)
6. Murphy Brown (CBS)

7. Golden Girls (NBC)
8. A Different World (NBC)
9. Empty Nest (NBC)
10. (tie) Unsolved Mysteries (NBC)
    Major Dad (CBS)

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TORONTO (SEPT. 25) UPI - Yuppies in Canada's richest city are committing suicide in record numbers, an expert said Tuesday.

Gordon Winch, executive director of the Toronto Distress Centre, said those in the 30-39 age bracket had the highest suicide rate in the city in 1989.

''This is a group of people whose expectations were very rosy but perhaps they've hit an obstacle along the way,'' Winch said.

''They got a surprise bad role of the dice and for some of these people hoplelessness sets in more easily than those in other groups,'' Winch said.

Of 316 suicides in Toronto last year, a record high 64 were in the 30-39 age group; 15 were in the 19 and under bracket; 61 in the 20-29 group; 54 in 40-49; 39 in 50-59; 33 in the 60-69 group; 27 in the 70-79 group; 23 in the 80 plus age group.

Winch said the highest numbers previously were recorded in the 20-29 age group and he expects the suicide-prone group is one that is moving upward through the age curve.

Winch said while records don't show the backgrounds of the people behind the suicide statistics, an increasing number of affluent ''yuppies'' are calling the Toronto Distress Centre hotline.

Some callers say they are such workaholics they have few friends to talk to, while others have been cut off from their social circle because of a downturn in their economic status, Winch said.

Winch said people who are used to success, or have been born into comfort, can find it harder to cope with unexpected downturns in events.

Winch said he knows of a successful yuppie couple whose young son is facing surgery with a less than 50 percent success rate.

''In that kind of case, it doesn't matter if you drive an Audi or not,'' Winch said.

The east coast province of Newfoundland, chronically Canada's poorest province

and having its highest unemployment rate, also has the country's lowest suicide rate, Winch said.

''If you don't have a job there, you're not considered a failure because maybe your father or your brother don't have jobs either,'' Winch said.

''In Toronto, the measure of failure or success is what you do or don't do,'' Winch said.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 25) UPI - At least one of the doctors who pioneered using the experimental cancer treatment known as hyperthermia to battle AIDS wants to conduct further trials despite the government's condemnation of the procedure.

Dr. William Logan, a thoracic surgeon, said Tuesday he is negotiating with two medical schools to perform the unproven and highly controversial blood-heating treatment on more AIDS patients.

Logan refused to divulge the names of the medical schools, saying only that one is in Chicago and the other is in the South.

''I have had some encouraging results with two patients,'' Logan said. ''I am definitely interested in doing some more work.''

Dr. Kenneth Alonso, who has split with Logan since the two presented results of the hyperthermia procedure on two patients, would not confirm reports that he is pursuing further experimentation.

The reports in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution said Alonso, a pathologist, wants to consult with doctors in Miami, Dallas, Los Angeles and possibly Germany, Costa Rica and Rome about doing the procedure.

''We're certainly not happy about what has transpired,'' Alonso said. ''But we're regrouping and trying to salvage something out of the situation.''

The two doctors came forward in May with claims of possibly halting the progress of the virus in an Atlanta patient by raising the temperature of his blood to 108 degrees using a heating apparatus similar to a dialysis machine.

The operation, conducted previously only on cancer patients, was performed Feb. 20 on Carl Crawford, a 33-year-old waiter, at an Atlanta hospital that has since been closed for several unrelated violations.

It is still unclear if Crawford was permanently helped by the treatment despite his claims to national television audiences to have experienced a miracle recovery from his AIDS symptoms, including the disappearance of Kaposi

sarcoma legions.

As of Tuesday, Crawford maintained he was in good health.

The two doctors on June 14 performed the treatment on a second patient, a 37-year-old Chicagoan named Tony Mascio, who came to doctors on his deathbed but who is still alive three months after having the operation.

A third patient, New York artist Victor Koziakin, died 12 hours after the procedure was performed on him by Alonso in Mexico City.

On Sept. 4, investigators with the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases released results of a four-month probe into the treatment, rejecting it as ineffective and recommending that no further human trials be conducted.

''There appears to be no clinical, immunological or virologic support'' for using hyperthermia in AIDS patients, the report concluded.

The report, put together by NIAID Director Dr. Anthony Fauci, also questioned whether Crawford ever had a full-blown case of AIDS and whether his so-called AIDS-related lesions may have been caused by another infection.

In defending his intentions to conduct further human hyperthermia trials on AIDS patients, Logan dismissed the government's conclusions as totalitarian, the work of a ''burn-the-books'' type attitude that prevailed under Hitler.

''I resent the attitude of Dr. Fauci and I resent his statements,'' Logan said. ''I think for a person in his position to make those statements was very inappropriate.''

Meanwhile, questions about Alonso's credibility continue to cast a shadow on his involvement.

Alonso, who did much of the testing of the hyperthermia patients, has been repeatedly challenged by the state for alleged inaccuracies in tests performed by his commercial lab, Laboratory Atlanta.

The laboratory had corrected all deficiencies cited by the state, but questions about Alonso's diagnostic work surfaced again this month when, as part of the government's scrutiny of hyperthermia, two experts from the U.S. Army Institute of Pathology concluded the lesions on Crawford's skin that apparently disappeared after his hyperthermia treatment were the result of cat-scratch disease or another infection, not AIDS-related Kaposi's sarcoma.

Logan had his initial foray in hyperthermia halted a decade ago by Georgia Baptist Medical Center after eight patients died.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze warned the U-N General Assembly this morning of the possibilities of war over the Persian Gulf crisis. He lashed out at Iraq, calling its occupation of Kuwait- quoting now- ''an affront to mankind.'' Shevardnadze called on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to- quote- ''hear reason, to obey the demands of the law and plain common sense'' and to restore ''tranquility and good relations with their neighbors.'' .

Shevardnadze is to chair a meeting of the Security Council later today. It is supposed to end with agreement on extending the land and sea embargo against Iraq to include airline flights in or out of the country.

A public hearing opened in Denver today over federal conflict-of- interest charges against Neil Bush for his role as a director of Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan Association. The accusations were brought against President Bush's 35-year-old son by the federal Office of Thrift Supervision, a regulatory agency. The case is NOT expected to be decided until next spring.

Former Philippine first lady Imelda Marcos is testifying before a federal grand jury in Pittsburgh under a grant of immunity. The jury is looking into allegations that Westinghouse Electric paid a 17-Million- dollar bribe to her deceased husband, Ferdinand Marcos, when he was president of the Philippines.

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BEIJING (SEPT. 25) UPI - Two years after his fall from grace, Canadian sprinter Ben Johnson returned to track and field Tuesday, receiving a welcome and a warning.

''Yesterday Johnson finished his disqualification and from yesterday he is a free athlete,'' Primo Nebiolo, president of the International Amateur Athletic Federation, told a news conference. ''He has paid for his mistake and he is like all the athletes in the world. He can now compete with the other athletes and we wish him all the best.''

Nebiolo said Johnson has been clean since his disqualification at the 1988 Seoul Olympics, where he tested positive for anabolic steroids after winning the 100 meters in world-record time. He was stripped of the record and gold medal.

Johnson has said he wants to compete for Canada in the 1992 Barcelona Olympics. His government has cleared him to run, but he has yet to receive approval from Canada's Olympic authorities.

Nebiolo said Johnson has been tested for drugs four times in the past six months.

''So now the history of Johnson is finished,'' he said. ''He is like the other athletes. I hope he will strictly observe our rules.''

As a reminder, Nebiolo pointed out that second offenders faced a lifetime ban.

The disqualification of Johnson was perhaps the biggest scandal in Olympic history. However, Nebiolo says the constant focus on Johnson unfairly brought track and field into disrepute as a sport rife with drug abuse.

''We are continuing with our great campaign against doping in athletics, but I would like to underline our federation is one of the most serious federations in this battle,'' he said. ''We have been fighting against doping for many years.

''A great champion was found positive in Seoul, but remember there were 11 cases of doping in all sports. Everybody talks about Johnson, but they all forget about the other 10 names.''

Nebiolo said reports indicated Johnson, 29, had lost none of his speed during his two-year absence from competition and was aiming to reclaim his world records.

''If it happens it would be good propaganda for athletics and good for sprinting,'' he said.

Nebiolo reaffirmed the IAAF would not allow a head-to-head race between Johnson and American Carl Lewis, who placed second behind the Canadian in the Olympic 100-meter final and was promoted to first following the disqualification.

''We are against such a race between just two runners,'' he said. ''We do not like such exhibitions, but it would be all right if the other six lanes were filled with people like Leroy Burrell and Linford Christie.''

Nebiolo also fired a warning shot across the bows of the International Olympic Committee, which is considering having a soccer game close the 1992 Olympics, a spot traditionally filled by the marathon.

''We have not received any official information about this matter,'' Nebiolo said. ''Our council will consider it and present it to our congress. But it will be the marathon which will close the Olympics.''

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - Unlike the 1984 McDonald's massacre in San Diego, a hostage situation in La Verne, California, ended peacefully early today. 19 hostages- ranging from an 85-year-old woman to a three-year-old girl- were held hostage by a gunman for seven hours. A SWAT team finally stormed the restaurant... after using diversionary ''flash-bang'' grenades... and they freed the hostages and arrested the gunman.

The nuclear-powered aircraft carrier Abraham Lincoln has left Norfolk, Virginia, for a two-month trip around the tip of South America to its new home at Alameda, California. The three-BILLION-dollar warship is the fifth Nimitz-class carrier built for the Navy.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 25) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev, who has turned the Soviet Union topsy turvy with reforms, proposed a new name for it Tuesday: the Union of Sovereign Socialist States.

Gorbachev's suggestion would mean the country could no longer be called the U.S.S.R., standing for the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Other legislators in parliament had different suggestions in the debate that unfolded over Gorbachev's next big reform: a new constitutional framework for the world's largest state.

A delegate from Kazakhstan put forward the name ''Union of Soviet Sovereign Republics,'' while radical deputies suggested the ''Union of European-Asian Republics.''

The union treaty leading to the formation of the Soviet Union in 1924 was signed in 1922 beween the republics and the communist-led central government.

With almost all 15 Soviet republics having declared sovereignty of a sort, Gorbachev says a new treaty defining broader powers for the republics and a lesser role for the center is needed.

The reform on the constitutional setup also dovetails with Gorbachev's plans to shift the country toward a market economy in which republics will direct their own economies.

''The transition to market relations is possible only in a single country,'' said deputy Georgy Tarazevich, warning against a breakup of the country.

The Russian nationalist views of exiled Soviet writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn entered into the floor debate Tuesday on the new union treaty.

In a manifesto published last week on how he saw the new Russia, Solzhenitsyn

said the country should abandon all preteneses to its enormous multinational empire of 15 republics.

The new Russia should consist, Solzhenitsyn said, of the three Slavic republics of Russia, the Ukraine and Byelorussia and perhaps half of Moslem Kazakhstan, the central Asian republic he says was built up by Russian prisoners.

Yeurin Auyelbekov called Solzhenitsynn's attitude to his republic ''insulting.''

Gorbachev dismissed Solzhenitsyn as belonging ''to the past, Russia of the former years, the Czarist monarchy.''

Boris Oleinik, a legislator from the Ukraine, said Solzhenitsyn's views slighted other nationalities, ''belittled their national dignities and could lead to separatism.''

Solzhenitsyn, a fervent anti-internationalist, said in his manifesto the Soviet Union should give independence to Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Estonia Latvia and Lithuania and four central Asian republics. He said Moldvavia should be allowed to join Romania.

Gorbachev is arguing for a looser union that allows the republics unprecedented independence. He also insists only a single currency must exist throughout the vast state.

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WAYMART, PA (SEPT. 25) UPI - Convicted murderer Joseph Kallinger, who recently tried to commit suicide by swallowing staples and paper clips, will continue to try to take his life, his attorney said Tuesday.

The attempt was discovered last week when Kallinger, 54, also known as ''the Shoemaker,'' underwent a routine X-ray at the Fairview State Hospital for the Criminally Insane, where he is being held, said Jeffrey Wander, Kallinger's lawyer.

He was then taken to Wayne County Memorial Hospital in Honesdale for further X-rays, but doctors there decided surgery was not needed.

''He told me personally that the Lord told him it was time to come home, with or without the court's help,'' Wander said. ''Mr. Kallinger will continue to try to take his life.''

Wander said Kallinger claimed to have had a vision of the Holy Spirit in his toilet bowl. He said Kallinger had been swallowing paper clips since

mid-August but it was only discovered last week.

Kallinger, the subject of the book titled ''The Shoemaker: Anatomy of a Psychotic,'' is serving life terms for the slayings of his son, Joseph Jr., 14 and Jose Collazo, 10, in Philadelphia in 1974.

He also was sentence to life in prison for the murder of Maria Fasching of Leonia, N.J., plus more time for robbery in Dauphin County and Camden County, N.J.

Cassandra Jones, a spokeswoman with the state Welfare Department, would not confirm that it was Kallinger who swallowed the paper clips and staples last week but she said that a patient did and that no serious harm would have occurrred if he had swallowed even a larger quantity over a long period of time.

''The doctors and the hospital didn't treat this as a serious suicide attempt '' Jones said.

Jones said the patient got the paper clips and staples from legal documents.

Jones said Kallinger undergoes physicals routinely and is checked every 15 minutes because he has attempted suicide in the past.

Two weeks ago, Kallinger, who has refused to eat since June 22, used a cigarette to burn a 14-inch section in the nasogastric tube used to force-feed him.

Wander said he is appealing a commonwealth judge's August order to feed Kallinger through the tube.

In August, Kallinger attempted suicide by placing some 70 elastic bands around his arms and legs to try to cut off circulation. That attempt was discovered 36 hours later.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - People who have smoked sometime in their lives are more likely to have suffered a bout of depression than non-smokers, researchers said Wednesday.

A survey of 3,219 people aged 18 and older in St. Louis found more than twice as many current or past smokers said they had suffered depression than non-smokers, said Dr. Alexander Glassman of Columbia University in New York.

In addition, the study found less than half as many smokers with a history of depression were able to quit smoking as those who had never experienced

serious depression, Glassman and colleagues reported in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

In a separate study published in the journal, scientists at the federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta also found that depression apparently interferes with a smoker's ability to quit.

The biological reasons for the apparent association between smoking and depression are unclear, but Glassman noted other researchers have speculated that depressed smokers use cigarettes to make themselves feel better.

''That they are smoking to self-medicate is speculation, although I believe it is true,'' he said. ''These two studies are convincing evidence that an association exists between a pre-existing psychiatric condition and vulnerability'' to smoking, he said.

Analyzing data from two national health and nutrition studies involving 2,963 people, Dr. Robert Anda and his colleagues at the CDC found that among 820 who smoked and were traced nine years later, 17 percent of those who had were not depressed had stopped smoking compared to 10 percent who were depressed.

The findings ''suggest that depression plays an important role in the dynamics of cigarette smoking in the United States,'' the scientists said.

Glassman said the two studies show a ''powerful'' link between smoking and depression that has particularly strong implications for women, who suffer higher reported rates of depression than men.

He emphasized that ''the kind of depression we're talking about here is not the brief kind that everyone gets sometime in their lives, but persistent depression that usually lasts for at least two months'' and causes problems such as sleep disturbance, loss of energy and loss of interest in work and sex.

Glassman said it is estimated that between 5 percent and 10 percent of Americans suffer this type of depression at least once in their lives. In the St. Louis survey, which included 1353 men and 1866 women, 5.1 percent said they had at least one bout of major depression.

However, the researchers said that among those who said they had smoked daily for at least one month sometime in their lives, 6.6 percent had experienced persistent depression, while among non-smokers, the depression rate was 2.9 percent. Those categorized as smokers or past smokers included 67 percent of the men and 50 percent of the women, Glassman said.

He said the survey also found that while 31 percent of the non- depressed men who smoked and 25 percent of the non-depressed women had been able to quit, only 13 percent of male smokers with a history of major depression and 14 percent of the women had given up smoking.

''It appears clear that depression makes you both more vulnerable to starting smoking and makes it harder to stop,'' said Glassman, who added that the link between the two appears stronger than between depression and increased vulnerability to drug use or alcoholism.

Health care practitioners could use the results of the studies in smoking prevention and treatment programs, Glassman said. Because most smokers begin in their teens, he said parents, doctors and teachers should be aware that teenagers who experience depression and mood swings may be at highest risk of becoming long-term smokers.

For smokers who are trying to quit, he said physicians should be aware that depression may make the task nearly impossible for some people. In research currently going on, Glassman said he and colleagues have found that depressed smokers trying to quit have a far higher success rate when given anti-depressant drugs.

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BONN (SEPT. 25) UPI - All hurdles have been cleared, the final sprint is on and Germany is certain of victory.

When the race toward unification of East and West Germany is completed Oct. 3, united Germany will emerge as a sports superpower, fielding some of the world's top sportsmen.

Had Germany already been a single country at the 1988 Seoul Olympics, it would have raked in a total of 142 medals - more than any other nation, including the Soviet Union, which took 132 medals.

But the success could be short-lived. The East German talent-scouting system that spotted sprinters at an early age, brought them into the right clubs and coached them to great internatinal careers has crumbled along with the communist leadership, ousted last fall.

Right now, Germany is looking forward to a powerful squad that will include the renowned track-and-field athletes and swimmers from the East and the tennis and soccer stars from the West.

In recent months sports officials have been battling against time to keep up with the frenzied pace of German unification, preaparing for the merger of squads, clubs and organizations.

The German Soccer Association, founded in Leipzig in 1900 will be relaunched in the East German city, Nov. 21, when the East and West German asociations merge.

The occasion will be marked with a friendly between the two national teams, their last ''international'' before they are meshed into one single squad.

East Germany's first division clubs currently face their toughest tests in the country's 41-year history - the champion and runner-up will join the 18 West German clubs for next year's all-German first division action.

A total of six East German teams will be among the 24 in the new second division.

Clubs in the East have been quick to adjust to Western standards, displaying sponsors' names on their jerseys and obtaining top fees for players transferred to the wealthier West German clubs.

German athletes are confident their national colors will fly high over the Spanish city of Seville at next spring's Indoor European Championships.

The last championships, in Split, Yugoslavia, in August gave sports fans a taste of things to come, with East German athletes, including Kathrin Krabbe and Heike Drechsler, collecting 34 medals, including 12 gold.

The West German squad, with its seven medals, was clearly relegated to the sidelines - where they are now likely to stay as their more successful eastern colleagues line up for positions in the national teams.

''We won't allow any West German sprinter in,'' said Kerstin Behrendt, who ran for bronze in the 100-meter final and gold in the four-by-100 meter relay in Split.

''The athletes will come from the East, the officials from the West,'' said Harald Schmid, a former top West German runner.

But analysts believe Germany's days of glory in the athletic field are counted.

''East Germany has been the worldwide pilot program that tried to get a person's best possible results with the best possible facilities,'' said Klaus Steinbach, a senior official of the West German track-and-field association.

''This system was a dream, which cannot be repeated,'' he said.

The situation is similar in swimming, also a traditional East German stronghold.

The two German swimming associations merged in September, in advance of the all-German championships in November. In January 1991, Germany will present its first combined team at the trials for the World Championships in Perth, Australia.

In the short-term, many East German clubs and coaches will feel the pinch.

Deprived of heavy government subsidies that kept them alive in the past, many East German clubs and federations struggle for survival and money.

Soccer clubs have sold their stars to the West. Many of them, like first divisionist Dynamo Dresden, had to cut their regular line- up in half in order to make ends meet.

In track and field, many of the almost 600 East German coaches will be out of a job once the new all-German team is formed later this year.

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LONDON (SEPT. 25) UPI - The government published a comprehensive outline of its environmental policy Tuesday including stricter emissions controls on vehicles, but the plan was immediately criticized as being ''long on words and short on action.''

The much-heralded publication of Environment Minister Chris Patten's white paper, a major outline of government environmental policy to the end of the century, called for Britain to hold to current policies.

''It is long on words and short on action. We are disappointed,'' said David Gee of environmental group Friends of the Earth.

Although the government has committed itself to cutbacks in pollution, CFC production and greenhouse gas emissions, environmentalists contend it has lagged on implementing far-reaching changes.

In fact, pressure groups have taken to calling Britain ''the dirty man of Europe,'' as part of the propaganda to underline the distance between the United Kingdom and European countries, such as Denmark and West Germany, on action to clean up the environment.

The government paper, entitled ''This Common Inheritance'' contained more than 350 proposals.

''This is the first really comprehensive statement of government policy on the environment, ranging from the street corner to the stratosphere. Never before has the United Kingdom government examined all the environmental issues in this way,'' said Patten at a news conference to release the statement.

Specifically, the paper called on Britain to stick to existing programs including:

-A $11.2 billion plan to clean up acid rain emissions by the electricity industry.

-A $52.64 billion program to the year 2000 on improving Britain's water quality.

-Phasing out ozone depleting gases by 2000.

-Stabilizing carbon dioxide emisions at 1990 levels by 2005.

There were new proposals in the paper, including stricter enforcement of emissions levels and speed limits to encourage energy-efficient cars, promises of tenfold increases in renewable energy use, and government help for the maintenance of Britain's historic cathedrals.

The bulk of the paper included broad policy statements encouraging voluntary implementation of environmental measures by private citizens and industry.

''Although we welcome the paper as a first step, it cannot be a final position because it won't even allow Britain to reach the standards it has already committed itself to, such as reduction of carbon-dioxide emissions,'' said Stewart Boyle of the Association for the Conservation of Energy.

''We would have liked to see a clearer statement of new directions in investment and policy. As it is, it seems a continuation of the voluntary approach, which we've seen doesn't work,'' said Boyle.

Business analysts said industry costs would go up if action was implemented, especially in those businesses relying on intensive energy or water use such as steel or heavy manufacturers.

''In the run-up to the year 2000, we can expect more specific measures, such as stiffer penalties to control storage and dumping of wastes,'' said environmental analyst Jan Vernon.

''But not all is bad news. Reducing energy use will result in savings for businesses. And environmental labelling will allow companies with good environmental performance to reach the 'green' market,'' she added.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - The Pentagon said Tuesday that Iraq is losing about $100 million a day in revenue from banned oil exports and that the U.N. economic sanctions have ''proven very effective.''

Iraq's imports have been ''significantly reduced,'' Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said. ''Right now less than 15 percent of the Iraqi merchant fleet is

operating on the high seas.''

''The U.N.-sponsored ecnomic sanctions imposed on Iraq, we believe, have so far proven very effective. The Pentagon estimates loss of revenue from oil exports alone to Iraq to be about $100 million a day,'' he said.

The United States has more than 50 warships in the Middle East region to help enforce the U.N. embargo, which was adopted in retaliation for Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. Other nations have also sent warships into the area.

President Bush ordered U.S. warships Aug. 16 to enforce the U.N. sanctions against Iraqi goods, and the United Nations late last month adopted a resolution approving enforcement of the embargo.

Williams said there have been 1,290 interceptions of commercial ships in the Persian Gulf, the Gulf of Oman and the Red Sea since the operation began, and that most of these have been by radio contact in which the master of the ship is asked his destination and to describe his cargo.

He said there have been 110 boardings to inspect the cargo by naval forces of various countries. Of the 110, 100 were by American vessels, he said.

Since the operation began, warning shots have been fired near Iraqi tankers and some ships have been diverted from Iraq or the Jordanian port of Aqaba, but no violence or injuries have been reported.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 25) UPI - Tropical Storm Josephine began to weaken Tuesday as it drifted west across the Atlantic Ocean and was expected to lose its tropical storm characteristics by Wednesday.

At noon EDT, Josephine was centered near latitude 20 north, longitude 35.1 west, or about 675 miles west northwest of the westernmost Cape Verde Islands.

Forecaster Hal Gerrish at the National Hurricane Center said the system was drifting at less than 5 miles an hour, and was expected to continue in that direction for the next 24 hours.

Maximum sustained winds were near 45 mph, but Gerrish said Josephine was expected to gradually weaken to a tropical depression.

Tropical storm force winds extended outward 145 miles to the north and 60 miles to the south of the center.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Big Green, the environmental movement, may be in big trouble as Congress writes the final version of the new farm policy law, sources said Tuesday after an acrimonious bill-drafting meeting.

House and Senate negotiators deadlocked on the use of conservation easements on farm land the government obtains by foreclosure, a relatively minor topic but one that could presage tough battles for the more controversial environmental programs in the bill.

The 1985 farm policy law was a milestone for linking environmental and farm policy goals. The new farm bill contains proposals to broaden the environmental focus by creating voluntary programs to take sensitive land out of production or defray the cost to farmers for changing production methods to reduce the risk of contaminating water supplies.

After the meeting between House and Senate negotiators, staff workers said more environmental battles were likely. They also said environmentalists, who played an influential role in writing the House and Senate bills, could be at a disadvantage in the final drafting.

''We have a weak hand on conservation,'' said an aide to Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., of the Senate Agriculture Committee.

Leahy appeared outnumbered during the debate on easements but put off a vote until Thursday. Congressmen wanted to cut in half the Senate's proposed limit on how much land could be put under a conservation easement. Two senators agreed with the House proposal.

The easements are used as a way to preserve wetlands. Administration policy says an easement should be applied to all of the wetland on a foreclosed parcel. The Senate proposed a ceiling of 20 percent with Agriculture Department authority to reduce the level if it would make the parcel economically viable.

''We want to be environmentalists,'' said Chairman Kika de la Garza, D-Texas, of the House Agriculture Committee, but farmers ''are not the culprits'' and already are taking steps to preserve their land.

A Senate Republican staff worker said that attitude - ''We want to be environmentalists but we have to take care of our farmers too'' - would influence future discussions on conservation programs.

Leahy doggedly insisted on the Senate language on easements, proposing to drop the section entirely rather than compromise.

His opponents said a ceiling was needed to prevent the government from ''destroying'' the agricultural value of a piece of land. They worried a

ceiling would be interpreted as the minimum amount to be covered.

''I am troubled we cannot even offer different numbers,'' Rep. Glenn English, D-Okla., told Leahy.

While some observers saw danger to the new environmental provisions, one veteran said it was common for negotiators to get into an argument early in farm bill negotiations. The Tuesday meeting was the second work session for conferees.

Environmentalists, who aided floor passage of the House and Senate bills, may have some influence in the final round of drafting. One spokesman has noted it could be difficult to pass a farm bill that does not respond to rising public interest in food safety and chemical residues.

The farm bills would spend between $54 billion and $62 billion on the farm program over the next five years, compared with estimates of $54 billion if there was no change in current law.

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (SEPT. 25) UPI - A defiant European Community agriculture chief said Tuesday he will not modify his proposal on farm subsidies despite U.S. warnings that world trade talks could collapse.

The proposal, said EC Agriculture Commissioner Ray MacSharry, is ''balanced, meaningful and realistic,'' and he urged the United States to ''match that if you can.''

MacSharry's proposal for trade-liberalization talks in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade would cut farm supports by 30 percent over a 10-year period beginning in 1986.

The United States said it will propose slashing subsidies by 70 percent over 10 years, beginning in 1991.

U.S. Trade Represenative Carla Hills has warned in recent days that GATT talks will fail unless farm supports are significantly cut, because developing countries will otherwise not agree to free trade in services and intellectual property, such as copyrights.

''As far as I'm concerned there is no need for any modification,'' MacSharry said of his proposal, which embarrassingly failed to win support of the 17 EC commissioners last week.

The EC Commission will consider the proposal again next week.

At a news conference following a meeting of the EC Agriculture Council, MacSharry said he expected to win approval the second time around, but twice refused to answer why the Commission's response would be any different.

Italian Agriculture Minister Vito Saccomandi, who presided over the Council meeting, said the proposed 30 percent cut in supports was ''certainly a large one.''

The EC, he said, ''must show a single front'' to the United States and the other 103 participants in the GATT talks. The current round of GATT talks is slated to end in Brussels in December.

MacSharry's proposal, sources said, would also impose stiff tariffs on soybeans and corn gluten feed, two lucrative U.S. exports to the EC which have been tariff-free since the 1962 GATT round.

The EC says such tariffs would ''rebalance'' harm caused to EC farmers from a reduction in agriculture supports. The United States staunchly opposes any new tariffs, arguing they run counter to GATT's purpose of liberalizing world trade.

The MacSharry proposal, sources said, would impose duties of 6 percent on oilseeds and 12 percent on protein food meals up to a quota level based on average 1986-1988 imports, and then higher tariffs above that level.

About 5 million tons of U.S. corn gluten feed entered the EC last year, an increase of 200 percent in the past decade. U.S. soybean exports to the EC, a $2 billion-per-year business, are expected to total about 7 million tons this year.

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PASADENA, CA (SEPT. 25) UPI - Comedian Bob Newhart, whose low-key style of humor has made him one of television's most enduring personalities, was named Tuesday the grand marshal of the 102nd New Year's Day Tournament of Roses Parade.

''I could think of no one better suited to lead (the 1991 parade),'' Roy Coats president of the Tournament of Roses Association, said of Newhart.

The theme this year's parade is ''Fun and Games.''

As grand marshal, Newhart, 61, will lead the Jan. 1 procession of floats, bands and equestrian teams down Colorado Boulevard. He also will preside over the start of the Rose Bowl Game, which pits the champions of the Big Ten and the Pacific-10 football conferences.

''I never expected this to be so much fun, or to be able to keep this a secret for so long,'' Newhart said. ''I'm delighted and am looking forward to the parade and game.''

The announcement of the grand marshal follows the naming of the Tournament of Roses court earlier this week.

Newhart, whose first comedy album ''The Button-Down Mind of Bob Newhart'' won him a Grammy and made him a virtual household name in the early 1960s, has starred in two successful television comedies that cast him as the sole sane voice in a sea of zany characters.

In ''The Bob Newhart Show,'' which ran from 1972-78, the comedian played a Chicago psychologist who juggled his patients' neuroses with an antic-filled home life.

Four years later, he returned as the owner of a quaint Vermont inn filled with oddball characters in ''Newhart,'' which ran from 1982-90.

In addition, Newhart has also appeared in numerous feature films, including ''Hell is for Heroes,'' ''Catch-22,'' ''Cold Turkey,'' ''Little Miss Marker'' and ''First Family.''

Newhart follows in the footsteps of past Rose Parade grand marshals who have included Shirley Temple Black, former presidents Dwight Eisenhower, Richard M. Nixon and Gerald Ford and stars such as John Wayne and Bob Hope.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - There's still NO budget deal between White House and congressional negotiators, despite a rapidly approaching October 1st deadline. Negotiators reported ''some'' progress'' after nearly four hours of talks that ended early today. But there's NO indication that any significant progress was made on the biggest obstacle blocking agreement- cutting the capital gains tax.

The Commerce Department today reported that the nation's slumping output of goods and services edged closer to recession in the second quarter... inching up only four-tenths of one percent. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says that news about the gross national product is ''certainly cause for concern.''

At Cape Canaveral, Florida, NASA today cleared the space shuttle Discovery for blast-off next week on a high-profile mission to fire a European probe over the poles of the sun. NASA is pulling out all the stops to get Discovery ready for launch as soon as possible. If all goes well, it will be the space agency's first shuttle flight in five months.

President Bush has signed and sent to the Senate a historic treaty ending the division of East and West Germany and paving the way for a sovereign united democratic nation. At a Rose Garden ceremony, Bush said the treaty is a culmination of more than four decades of Western resolve and determination.

The World Health Organization reports that the deadly AIDS virus is spreading, especially among children. The W-H-O says that as many as 10- Million children world-wide could be infected with the disease by the year 2000... boosting the number of infected people around the globe up to 30-Million.

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#90268u1506 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (SEPT. 25) UPI - The shortage of medicines in the Soviet Union is reaching the critical stage, with less than three-quarters of the required drugs available this year, a top health official said Tuesday.

Deputy Health Minister Alexei Moskvichev said while last year the country had only 86 percent of the pharmaceuticals it needed, this year the shortage will be even worse with only 72 percent of the need met.

He said domestic production currently meets 39.4 percent of the country's requirements, and vital imports are threatened because the government is in arrears for previous shipments.

''Vneshekonombank (Bank for Foreign Economic Affairs) repaid only a part of bills of foreign firms for medicines purchased this year,'' Moskvichev told the official Tass news agency. ''There is a real danger that deliveries under existing contracts might stop and that foreign partners will not conclude more deals.''

He added that Eastern European countries only delivered about three- quarters of the normal amount of medicines this year after the radical shifts in trade within the former East Bloc after last fall's peaceful revolutions.

Moskvichev said in addition to hard currency for more imports, the Soviet pharmaceutical industry also needed an infusion of cash to improve production facilities.

If the pharmaceutical industry is given the hard currency it needs it will be able to continue to produce about a third of the medicine needed in the country, but without increased budgets it will only be able to manufacture 19 percent, he said.

Moskvichev appealed for urgent measures to buy more medicines and modernize the Soviet pharmaceutical industry, warning of a ''sharp aggravation of the situation in the months ahead'' if nothing is done.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, warning war could break out at ''any day, any moment,'' denounced Saddam Hussein's occupation of Kuwait Tuesday as the U.N. Security Council considered clamping an air embargo on Iraq.

In a speech to the U.N. General Assembly, Shevardnadze called Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of its southern neighbor a ''major affront to mankind'' and called on Moscow's former ally to ''to obey the demands of the law and plain common sense'' and withdraw.

Stocks on many world markets, meanwhile, plunged to their lowest level in years as oil prices and the Persian Gulf crisis brought investors around the globe to their knees.

Representatives from Iraq did not attend Shevardnadze's speech, boycotting the General Assembly session because of the refusal by U.S. authorities to let Baghdad's envoy, Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, arrive in New York on an Iraqi government plane.

In Washington, Iraqi Ambassador Mohammed al-Mashat delivered President Saddam Hussein's videotaped response to President Bush's televised message to the Iraqi people last week. Major television networks said they would broadcast excerpts after screening the tape.

Shevardnadze was to chair the meeting of the Security Council Tuesday afternoon that was called to adopt an air traffic embargo on Iraq.

The foreign ministers of the council's 15 member states attending the meeting were expected to ask governments to withdraw landing rights to aircraft flying to and from Kuwait or Iraq and to detain ships that have violated U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

U.N. diplomats said the air embargo would almost certainly be approved because the five permanent members of the council - the Soviet Union, the United States, China, France and Britain - have agreed on the resolution.

The Pentagon said Iraq is losing about $100 million a day in revenue from banned oil exports and that the U.N. economic sanctions have ''proven very effective.'' Iraq's imports have been ''significantly reduced,'' Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said. ''Right now less than 15 percent of the Iraqi merchant fleet is operating on the high seas.''

In his speech, Shevardnadze said the Iraqi military occupation of Kuwait was an ''act of terrorism'' against the post Cold War period, he said.

''War may break out in the gulf region any day, any moment,'' Shevardnadze said. He offered no concrete solution other than to defend the unanimity of the five permanent members of the Security Council to deal with the crisis.

Shevardnadze reiterated a Soviet proposal made several years ago that the Security Council's military staff committee be revived to oversee a U.N. military force which could be used in crises like that in the gulf.

The Soviet government said it would join the multinational force in the gulf only if it was set up by the council.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

Bonds - Slightly higher.

American Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed slightly higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in thin trading.

Dollar - Closed mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Slightly higher.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1 to up 2 1/2, soybeans up 3 to 6, wheat up 1/4 to off 1 3/4 and oats up 2 to 2 1/4.

Cattle Trade - 50 to 75 cents higher; top $78.75.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - The Navy's newest nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, the U-S-S Abraham Lincoln, steamed out of Norfolk, Virginia, today on a long shakedown cruise en route to its new home port of Alameda, California. The Lincoln will travel for about two months, sailing around Cape Horn on the tip of South America to its new Pacific base.

A Lebanese newspaper reports that some of the 13 foreign hostages held in

Lebanon will be freed as a result of summit talks between leaders of Syria and Iran. The newspaper quotes unnamed diplomatic sources as saying the captives will be freed shortly after Syria's president returns to Damascus from Tehran.

Authorities say 13 senior citizens from the Los Angeles area are hospitalized in Reno, Nevada, with injuries suffered when their gamblers' special charter bus hit a car and overturned. The driver of the car, an off-duty Nevada Highway Patrol officer, was killed in the crash yesterday afternoon.

Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami say Tropical Storm Josephine is starting to weaken as it drifts westward across the Atlantic. At last report, Josephine was centered about 675 miles west- northwest of the westernmost Cape Verde Islands with top sustained winds of 45 miles an hour.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 25) UPI - MCA Inc. confirmed Tuesday it was holding acquisition talks, following a report that Japan's Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. may buy the entertainment giant for up to $7.5 billion.

MCA's stock soared $22.375 to $56.825 in early afternoon trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

MCA, long the subject of merger speculation, did not identify Matsushita as the possible buyer, saying only that it is in discussion with ''a major international company.''

''The discussions are continuing on a friendly basis,'' the company said. ''No agreement has been reached. There is no assurance that an agreement will be reached.''

The announcement was the first time MCA, which is the parent of Universal Studios and generated nearly $3.4 billion in revenues last year, admitted it was in acquisition talks.

Matsushita is one of the world's largest electronics manufacturers, with brand names including Panasonic, Technics and Quasar, and has a retail network of 25,000 stories. It earned $1.7 billion last year and has annual sales of more than $44 billion.

Jeffrey Logsdon, an entertainment analyst with Seidler Amdec Securities of Los Angeles, said such a deal would make sense, given the strength of Matsushita.

Logsdon said Matsushita appears to be the driving force behind the possible deal, even though 77-year-old MCA Chairman Lew Wasserman may be looking to get out of the business.

Wasserman, who helped build MCA from a small booking agency, owns a 7 percent stake, while other directors control about 11 percent.

Logsdon estimated MCA's asset value in the range of $80 to $90 a share. Besides the movie studio, the company owns theme parks in Los Angeles and Orlando, Fla., several record companies, television station WWOR in Seacaucus, N.J., Putnam Publishing Group and a 49 percent stake in the Cineplex Odeon movie theater chain.

MCA's film library includes all-time box-office leader ''E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial,'' ''Jaws,'' Paramount's pre-1948 library and a wide variety of TV series.

It also manages facilities at Yosemite National Park.

The deal would make Universal the second major Hollywood studio under Japanese control. Sony Corp. bought Columbia Pictures Entertainment Inc. last year for $3.4 billion, plus the assumption of $1.4 billion in debt.

If it buys MCA, Matsushita would be following Sony in melding a vast ''hardware'' empire with entertainment ''software.''

Matsushita already made its entry into Hollywood through its Victor Co. unit. Victor agreed last year to invest $100 million in a joint venture - Largo Entertainment - with Hollywood producer Larry Gordon to develop, produce and finance movies.

Last year, prior to the Columbia deal, Sony was rumored to be negotiating with MCA over a possible buyout.

MCA, like other media and entertainment concerns, has been pummeled on Wall Street recently. Its major releases this year, ''Back to the Future Part III'' and ''Bird on a Wire,'' have performed adequately, but did not acheive blockbuster status.

Investors have been less than pleased with the performance of the company's $650 million Florida theme park, where rides have broken down. Some believe MCA paid too much in its $550 million deal for Geffen Records this year.

MCA's acquisition several years ago of an interest in the Cineplex Odeon chain has not turned out well, largely because of the Canadian company's huge debt load.

MCA's earnings for the first six months of this year were $76.4 million on revenues of $1.86 billion, up from earnings of $69.3 million on revenues of $1.53 billion for the year-ago period.

The Wall Street Journal reported Tuesday that individuals with knowledge of

the MCA-Matsushita talks said many barriers, such as regulatory problems, remained.

MCA's ownership of the giant WWOR could present a problem. A foreign company would be prevented from owning it under federal regulations.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	396.00 up 6.75
Morning fixing	406.35 up 10.35
Afternoon fixing	403.75 up 7.75
Close	404.25 up 8.25
Paris	393.83 unchanged
Zurich	405.50 up 13.00
Hong Kong	405.87 up 17.12
New York	
Comex spot close	404.40 off 0.60
Republic cash	402.50 off 0.50
Handy and Harman	403.75 up 11.25

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 405.09 up 11.27 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 425.35 up 11.84 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.834 off 0.081
Republic cash	4.86 off 0.075

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.865 per fine ounce off 0.030

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.875 off 0.035 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.216 off 0.038

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 463.00 up 6.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 563.00 up 6.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 103.50 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 118.50 up 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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PASADENA, CA (SEPT. 25) UPI - After a shaky start, the Magellan probe is successfully mapping cloud-shrouded Venus, beaming back ''revolutionary'' views of a heavily fractured, volcanic planet that may be geologically active, scientists said Tuesday.

A brief but dramatic movie made with Magellan data was unveiled at a news conference that simulated a zooming 12-mile-high flight above a tortured region of complex faults and fractures, giving viewers a bird's eye view of a planet otherwise hidden from view.

Other photographs released Tuesday, including a giant 10-by-10 foot mosaic, show numerous volcanic craters, sharply defined Los Angeles- sized impact craters and broad regions of cracked terrain covered in places by lava flows indicating a possibly geologically active planet.

''There's a lot of activity on Venus,'' said Brown University researcher James Head. "I think Venus is very much alive in the broad sense. But actually being able to document changes that have occurred in (recent) years is difficult to document.''

''It's reasonable to anticipate that there might be, somewhere on the planet, volcanological activity occurring on the scale of days to years to tens of years. But really, we have no way of detecting that directly.''

With no water on the hellish 900-degree planet, erosion appears to be remarkably minimal, giving scientists a chance to look at large features that might otherwise be destroyed over time.

''This is a really interesting thing for Venus because we seem to see very pristine forms ... that seem not to have been modified by water- type erosion on the surface,'' Head said. ''This is going to (permit) us to see lots of relationships that are essentially destroyed on the Earth.''

Along with photographs from Magellan, scientists also revealed data from a device called an altimeter that gave researchers a look down into a 25-mile-wide, 1,640-foot-deep volcanic crater rising more than 980 feet above the surrounding countryside.

''In the small amount of data we've seen so far, we've been able to really look at the surface of Venus as sometimes 10, sometimes 100 times better (clarity) than we've ever seen before,'' Head said. ''Believe me, it's giving us a revolutionary new view of Venus.

''Literally, Magellan is a microscope on Venus. There's just an untold wealth of data that's providing tremendous excitement.''

But engineers said they have been unable to figure out what twice knocked the spacecraft out of contact with Earth last month.

''The problem ... may happen again,'' said John Slonski, Magellan spacecraft systems engineer. ''By its nature, it's random. We're putting into place procedures based on our experiences last month that will allow us to recover in a much more rapid fashion and minimize data loss.''

Even though one of Magellan's attitude control computer systems has been declared unusable until a fix is devised, the spacecraft was ordered to resume mapping operations Sept. 1.

Since then, officials said, Magellan has successfully completed more than 82 mapping orbits, beaming back 50 hours of priceless data to eager scientists on Earth. The mission to map 90 percent of Venus's surface is scheduled to last at least 243 days.

Magellan, built by Martin Marietta Astronautics Group of Denver, dropped into orbit around Venus Aug. 10, 15 months after launch from the space shuttle Atlantis on May 4, 1989.

The 2 1/2-ton solar-powered satellite was designed to ''see'' through the clouds that perpetually blanket Venus by bouncing radar beams off the planet's surface.

Extensive computer processing on Earth can convert such radar data into photo-like images showing surface features as small as a football field, some 10 times better than the best previous effort.

Magellan began mapping the surface of Venus on Aug. 16. But after one and a half orbits, the spacecraft suddenly went into a computer-induced state of hibernation and aimed its main antenna away from Earth.

Contact was restored the next day, but it was lost again the following week. Emergency commands radioed to Magellan ''in the blind'' caused to spacecraft to search for Earth and communications ultimately were restored.

Additional instructions were radioed to the probe later to prevent it from going into such computer-induced hibernation and losing contact with Earth if similar problems crop up in the future.

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EAST BERLIN (SEPT. 25) UPI - The once feared and hated State Security police of the former East German Communist authorities was the best organized in the world, according to a report presented Tuesday by East German Interior Minister Peter-Michael Diestel.

''This inhuman repression and surveillance system has successully been smashed through peaceful means,'' Diestel said, referring to the dismantling earlier this year of the special police and intelligence force, known as the Stasi.

During the 40 years of hardline communist rule in East Germany, the Stasi built up a net of 85,000 full-time agents covering the entire country, to combat activities deemed hostile to the government.

These included contact with Westerners, public criticism of the ruling Communist Party and unauthorized emigration attempts.

The report says that over 10,000 officers were employed at the district level primarily to control individuals viewed as potential dissidents or would-be emigrants.

More than 4,000 Stasi officials were emplyed in the letter-opening divisions and telephone-bugging sections.

Stasi observation was so thorogh that the six million files on individuals, and mountains of other documents left behind by the organization, are said to be so voluminous that they would stretch a distance of 100 miles.

''The state security police was the best organized secret service in the world '' Diestel said.

His report lists some of the Stasi wealth, which included 18,000 appartments and nearly 2,000 sport, vacation and recreation resorts for State Security officials.

Regarding controversy about the employment of an estimated 3,500 former Stasi officers at the interior ministry after the disbanding of the organization, the report says that the officials had a clean record and were working as bodyguards, ''anti-terrorist specialists'' and drug control agents.

The order to dismantle the Stasi under a special government-appointed committee was given Feb. 8, 1990.

Large numbers of Stasi officers could theoretically be arrested after Oct. 3 German unification. But a new, all-German parliament is due to discuss a proposed amnesty for former Stasi officials.

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(repeating & correcting closing range to read lower sted higher)

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Gold futures closed 50 to 70 points lower Tuesday

on the New York Commodity Exchange.
Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	....	....	....	402.40	403.00
Oct	405.30	407.00	399.80	402.80	403.50
Dec	410.00	412.30	404.50	407.60	408.30
Feb	415.00	417.00	409.30	412.10	412.80
Apr	419.00	420.50	415.30	416.40	417.10
Jun	423.50	423.50	422.00	420.90	421.60
Aug	427.50	427.50	422.50	420.90	425.80
Oct	432.00	432.00	432.00	430.00	430.60
Dec	436.50	438.00	434.70	434.80	435.30
Feb	442.10	....	....	439.90	440.40
Apr	446.90	....	....	444.70	445.20
Jun	452.10	....	....	449.90	450.40

Open interest: 116,403 up 2,360.
Estimated sales: 65,000 contracts.

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LONDON (SEPT. 25) UPI - A huge plant will likely be built in upstate New York to recycle waste paper into newsprint, a Dublin-based firm said Tuesday.

The Jefferson Smurfit Group said the mill would recycle 300,000 metric tons of waste paper per year, much of which now goes into landfills in the Northeastern United States, and produce about 250,000 tons of newsprint to be used by major U.S. publishers.

The preliminary feasibility study, completed with the help of the New York Department of Economic Development, had selected New York as a site, but engineering studies had yet to commence, said Smurfit officials.

The Irish conglomerate said the final site selection would be based on acceptable ''site-specific'' costs and satisfactory technical requirements being met.

''More than two sites'' in upstate New York are under consideration, said group secretary Michael Pettigrew, refusing to be more specific.

''I don't think there will be any hostilities aroused by the decision,'' Pettigrew said, adding the mill would employ local labor, be environmentally clean and prevent regional landfills from overflowing.

Among the publishers interested in the project are Newhouse Newspapers, The Boston Globe, Dow Jones & Co., and the Times Mirror Co., Smurfit said.

Waste paper for the mill will come from municipal and commerical recycling centers throughout the Northeast, Smurfit said.

Smurfit Recycling Co., a subsidiary of Jefferson Smurfit Corp., is a leading commercial collector and markerter of waste paper in the United States, currently diverting more than four million tons from landfills for re-use, a company statement said.

Jefferson Smurfit Group, with its affiliates, is one of the world's largest producers of recycled paper and paperboard products.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 12 to 19 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.80	11.11	10.80	11.08	10.96
Mar	10.57	10.85	10.55	10.85	10.66
May	10.58	10.85	10.58	10.85	10.70
Jly	10.59	10.84	10.56	10.84	10.72
Oct	10.61	10.85	10.61	10.89	10.74

Estimated sales: 23,667 contracts

Open interest: 110,052 off 847

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 11.15

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 1 to 5 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.30	23.32	23.25	23.31	23.30
Jan	23.05	23.13	23.05	23.13	23.10
Mar	23.95	23.10	23.05	23.08	23.05
May	23.12	23.18	23.11	23.12	23.10
Jly	23.12	23.18	23.12	23.12	23.10
Sep	23.14	23.14	23.14	23.14	23.10
Nov	22.85	23.31	22.85	22.90	22.85

Estimated sales: 389 contracts

Open interest: 11,270 up 224

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - The Pentagon said Tuesday the number of Iraqi forces in Kuwait and southern Iraq has increased to 430,000 from 360,000 a

week ago, but officials conceded they have expanded the geographic area they are counting.

The Defense Department refuses to define the size of the area in southern Iraq that it is using in its Iraqi troop estimates.

''Iraqi forces in the Kuwaiti theater of operations - which is Kuwait itself and the areas immediately continguous to the north and west around Kuwait - number 430,000 troops, 3,500 tanks, 2,500 armored personnel carriers and 1,700 artillery pieces,'' Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said.

That is an increase of 70,000 troops, 700 tanks, 700 armored personnel carriers and 250 artillery pieces from last week's Pentagon estimates.

Williams said ''part'' of the additional troops have come from the Iraqi border with Iran.

Iraq President Saddam Hussein recently gave land back to Iran that his forces seized during the eight-year war and also made diplomatic overtures to Iran in an apparent attempt to circumvent a U.N. embargo against Iraqi goods.

Asked if the larger number of Iraqi troops is due to the Pentagon counting forces in a larger geographic area or a reflection of an actual increase in troops, Williams replied, ''Both.''

He said the Iraqi military buildup had not surged in the past week but was ''about on a par'' with steady increases since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Two weeks ago, the Pentagon said there were 265,000 Iraqi troops in Kuwait and southern Iraq.

''It is still essentially a defensive force,'' Williams said of the Iraqis.

''They continue to move infantry units closer up to the border with Saudi Arabia and to reposition some of the heavier (armored) forces back a little bit further north,'' Williams said.

''Our analysts think what they're gaining here is flexibility, that by putting more of the infantry forces forward ... and generally moving the mechanized equipment back, it gives them more flexibility.

''If mechanized forces are up front, they don't have much place to go,'' Williams said. ''If they're back they have more options, they can go here, they can go over there.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - A group of 33 former Bankers Trust Co. staff has linked with Japan Leasing Corp. to launch a new international private investment banking firm, spokesmen said Tuesday.

Fieldstone Private Capital Group L.P. will specialize in project and lease finance, private placements and corporate restructuring, spokesmen said.

Five senior Fieldstone partners - Charles J. Hill, Sharon K. Peterson, C. Wesley Reynolds, Charles A. Quattrochi and Gaby Abdelnour - were managing directors of Bankers Trust.

''These executives were instrumental in a number of large transactions while at Bankers Trust, including the $1.3 billion leveraged lease of transport vessels by the Military Sealift Command of the U.S. Navy, the recently completed debt restructuring of Morningstar Foods and the $230 million financing of a solar power project for Luz International,'' spokesmen said.

''The debt epidemic that swept the '80s has changed the mindset of corporate America,'' Hill said. ''Many companies have been left with new financial needs which demand that advisors have technical abilities in a series of interrelated services, plus an objective perspective.''

Fieldstone will provide clients with custom-tailored solutions to meet those needs, Hill said.

Each of the former Bankers Trust staff has an equity postion in Fieldstone, which anticipates expansion, spokesmen said.

Japan Leasing, based in Tokyo, is a commercial finance and leasing company with financial assets of approximately $20 billion.

Fieldstone has headquarters in New York and offices in London and Tokyo.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $5 to $9 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.35 to 0.65 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.35 cent higher to 3.05 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.13 to 0.73 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.50 to $0.70 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $7.70 to $8.90 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1 to 1.65 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 8 to 8.80 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.012 to 0.019 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90268u1652 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Amid stiffening congressional opposition to tougher fuel economy legislation, the EPA Tuesday named the Geo Metro XFI - a Japanese-made General Motors import - the most miserly of the 1991 model-year cars at 50-plus miles per gallon.

Japanese-built cars once again dominated the annual gasoline mileage ratings, winning nine of the top 10 spots. The German-made Volkswagen Jetta was the only non-Japanese car among the top 10.

The mileage guide was released by the Environmental Protection Agency as legislation to increase federal fuel economy standards bogged down in the Senate. Backers of the bill failed to get the 60 votes needed to limit debate, handing opponents a victory in their efforts to prevent action on the bill. That could kill the bill for this congressional session, which is nearing its end.

The bill, strongly opposed by automakers and the Bush administration, would raise the fuel efficiency standards for new cars to a fleetwide average of 40.1 mpg by 2001, up from the current 27.5 mpg.

The EPA said the 1991 model-year fleet is expected to average 28.1 mpg, up from the 27.8 mpg estimate for 1990 cars. However, the slight increase for 1991 cars still leaves the fleetwide average short of the 1988 industry-wide average of 28.6 mpg.

The decline in fuel economy over the last two years has been cited by energy conservation proponents as clear evidence the government must force Detroit to make sigbificant fuel economy improvements above the current 27.5 mpg federal standard.

For individual carmakers, the Geo line, manufactured by Suzuki and imported and sold by GM, made the best showing of any brand name, taking four of the top 10 spots on the EPA's mileage list. Honda and Suzuki took two spots apiece

on the top 10 list.

The EPA said the top-rated Geo Metro XFI gets 53 mpg in city driving and 58 mpg on the highway. It was the fifth year in a row that the best gasoline mileage was posted by the Geo Metro XFI, a tiny 1,875-pound, three-cylinder subcompact.

The biggest gas guzzler among 1991 models was the Lamborghini DB132- Diablo, a high-powered sports car that logged 9 mpg in the city, 14 mpg highway.

In ranking cars by class, the EPA said:

-For ''mid-size'' cars, Chrysler's Acclaim and Spirit were the most fuel-efficient, both averaging 24 mpg in the city and 34 on the highway. Three Rolls Royce models were the worst, all averaging 10 mpg city and 13 highway.

-For ''large'' cars, the best was the Saab 9000 at 20 mpg city and 26 highway, and the worst was Cadillac Brougham at 16 mpg city and 25 highway.

-For ''large station wagons,'' the best was Ford's Grand Marquis and LTD Crown both 17 mpg city and 24 highway, and the worst was GM's Caprice Wagon, Custom Cruiser and Roadmaster models, all getting 16 mpg city and 25 highway.

EPA officials noted the agency's fuel mileage ratings were based on laboratory tests under optimum conditions and on-the-road results could vary.

In the showdown on Capitol Hill over fuel economy legislation, senators voted 57-42 in favor of limiting debate on the bill - three short of the needed 60.

That provided a big boost for the filibuster effort led by Sen. Don Riegle, D-Mich., whose home-state automakers strongly oppose the bill. The vote could enable Riegle to block Senate action on the bill this year, forcing proponents to start over next year.

Even if measure gets through the Senate, it faces a bleak outlook in the House where it likely will be sent to the House Energy and Commerce Committee. That committee is headed by Rep. John Dingell, another Michigan Democrat protective of Detroit.

Automakers and the administration oppose the bill as unrealistic, saying the technology does not exist to make big fuel economy improvements. They maintain the only way to meet the bill's requirements would be to make cars smaller and lgihter, which could lessen highway safety, restrict customer choice at the car lot, hurt sales and cost auto industry jobs.

The bill has gained momentum since the Persian Gulf crisis, which has underlined America's heavy dependence on foreign oil and re-energized government oil conservation efforts.

Backers of the bill say that with motor vehicles accounting for 40 percent of U.S. oil consumption, the nation will never reduce its reliance on imported oil unless cars are more fuel-efficient.

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#90268u1666 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Following are the top 10 1991 model-year cars for fuel efficiency as announced Tuesday by the Environmental Protection Agency:

1. Geo Metro XFI, 53 mpg city, 58 mpg highway.

2. Honda Civic CRX HF, 49 city, 52 highway.

3. Geo Metro, 45 city, 50 highway.

4. Geo Metro LSI, 45 city, 50 highway.

5. Suzuki Swift, three cylinders, 45 city, 50 highway.

6. Honda CRX HF, 43 city, 49 highway.

7. Geo Metro LSI Convertible, 41 city, 46 highway.

8. Suzuki Swift, four cylinders, 39 city, 43 highway.

9. Daihatsu Charade, 38 city, 42 highway.

10. Volkswagen Jetta, 37 city, 43 highway.

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#90268u1673 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (SEPT. 25) UPI - In one of the largest mass demolitions of Arab buildings since the start of Palestinian uprising, the army resumed Tuesday night bulldozing homes in a Gaza refugee camp where a reserve soldier was burned to death last week.

Less than four hours after the Supreme Court lifted a temporary restraining order, six bulldozers began destroying 16 homes in the Bureij refugee camp. Palestinian sources said the residents or owners of 38 shops and homes had received demolition orders.

The army spokesman confirmed the military was continuing the demolition, but had no information on how many Palestinians were affected.

Before the restraining order was issued Monday night, the army knocked down 18

shops, and four houses were sealed Tuesday morning, residents reached by telephone said. As many as 300 refugees were left homeless by the demolitions. The Red Cross delivered 120 tents to provide shelter.

The army said the demolitions were not intended to punish camp residents but to widen the street to ''enable greater security'' in an area of frequent stone-throwing at military patrols. Palestinians and several left-wing Israelis, however, said the demolitions were a form of collective punishment.

''It's not a means of punishment,'' said Judge Advocate General Amnon Strashnow. ''There were different means of punishment which (are being) taken against the perpetrators of the offenses.''

He said the houses of three suspects will be demolished after they have an opportunity to appeal.

Giorgio Giacomelli, commissioner-general of U.N. Relief and Works Agency, which oversees Palestinian refugee camps, arrived in the Gaza Strip Tuesday to check on the situation in the Bureij camp.

The houses and shops were located along a 100-yard strip of the camp's main commercial road.

The Association of Civil Rights in Israel had sought an extension of the injunction, issued late Monday, to allow Palestinian owners of the shops and homes time to appeal the demolition orders, claiming they were punitive.

In a written statement, Maj. Gen. Matan Vilna'i told the court that there was an ''urgent and direct military need'' for widening the road in order to increase security, a plan approved by Defense Minister Moshe Arens.

The Southern District commanding officer said the orders had been issued 24 hours in advance and residents could have appealed to local commanders.

The army also has said it would destroy the houses of those directly involved in killing reserve Sgt. Amnon Pomerantz Thursday after he mistakenly drove into the camp in his civilian car. The soldier was stoned and his car set on fire by an mob after he hit two Arab teenagers while trying to flee stone-throwers.

The killing, one of the most brutal murders of an Israeli since the start of the Palestinian 33-month-old uprising, shocked the country and brought calls from extreme right-wing politicians for mass deportations and demolitions.

Justice Minister Dan Meridor expressed satisfaction at the ruling, which the court said it would explain in detail at a later date.

''I think that it has again been proven that there is no contradiction between

the preservation of the norms of law and the preservation of security,'' he told Army Radio. ''We are struggling against a cruel enemy. We saw a terrible phenomenon in Bureij. The security system believed immediate steps should be taken.''

The army promised to pay compensation to those affected by the orders and find alternative housing. But it is unlikely the Palestinians would accept compensation because it would be considered condoning the military's actions.

Since the start of the uprising, 308 houses in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip have been destroyed, a punitive measure that Israel claims is legal under the 1945 Emergency Security Regulations drawn up during the British Mandate. The demolitions are usually carried out before a suspect is brought to trial.

Israel views demolitions as one of the harshest punishments at its disposal to prevent violence. However, the Middle East Military Balance 1988-1989, an Israeli academic analysis of the region, concluded that during the uprising demolitions had lost their power to deter more violence and had been ''transformed into a stimulus to further escalation of resistance to Israeli rule.''

Under a 1989 Supreme Court decision, the army was ordered to allow Arabs receiving demolition orders time to appeal them to the area commander and the high court. The ruling however did not cover cases of operational military necessity, the army's rationale for widening the Bureij street.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 25) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.54-2.62 off 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.09 3/4- 6.17 3/4 up 4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.15-2.27 off 1.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.29-2.34 1/4 up 1 to off 3 3/4.

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#90268u1677 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

INGLEWOOD, CA. (SEPT. 25) UPI - The Los Angeles Lakers acquired some much needed scoring punch off the bench Tuesday, obtaining swingman Terry Teagle

from the Golden State Warriors for their 1991 first-round draft choice.

In another trade, Los Angeles dealt veteran center Mark McNamara to the San Antonio Spurs for future considerations.

One of the NBA's most dangerous streak shooters, the 6-foot-5 Teagle played out of position at forward the last two seasons yet registered a career-high 16.1 points a game in only 29 minutes per contest in 1989- 90.

Teagle, 30, is expected to replace Michael Cooper in the Lakers' rotation. Cooper, who also played both guard and forward, left Los Angeles this summer to play in Italy.

''We're happy to add the services of a proven NBA scorer such as Terry to our ballclub,'' Lakers General Manager Jerry West said. ''We feel he'll give us immediate help in an area where we need it.''

The trade also fits nicely into the plans of Warriors Coach and General Manager Don Nelson, who now has three first-round selections in the 1991 NBA Draft.

Nelson has said he will attempt to construct a trade that would enable Golden State to move up in the draft or land a sorely needed big man.

''We feel this is a very positive move both for Terry Teagle and the Warriors '' Nelson said. ''Terry's coming off his best year as a pro and, we expect, will play an important role in the Lakers' drive for another world championship.

''The good news for the Warriors is that we now have three first- round picks in what we hope will be a strong 1991 draft.''

Teagle, who also grabbed a career-best 4.5 rebounds a game last year, spent the last six seasons with the Warriors. The former Baylor standout began in the NBA at Houston as a first-round pick in 1982 and started 44 games as a rookie.

Teagle was released by the Rockets in 1984 and played briefly with the Detroit Pistons before joining the Detroit Spirits of the Continental Basketball Association, where he averaged 19.5 points a game before singing with Golden State.

McNamara, a seven-year veteran, averaged 3.1 points and 2 rebounds in 33 games last year. Before coming to the Lakers, he played with Philadelphia, San Antonio and Kansas City.

''We're sorry to see Mark leave,'' West said. ''He was a positive influence on our team.''

The Lakers have been busy since being eliminated by Phoenix in the Westrern Conference semifinals last season. In addition to the departure of Cooper, McNamara and Coach Pat Riley, Orlando Woolridge was traded to Denver and Sam Perkins was signed as a free agent.

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#90268u1684 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

GREENSBURG, Pa. (SEPT. 25) UPI - Sony Corporation of America said Tuesday it is on target with its plans to open a color television picture tube manufacturing plant, its largest in the United States, in Westmoreland County, Pa.

Sony officials said at a news conference construction should begin next spring.

''Everything is on target including the fact that our negotiations with the commonwealth are aimed at a Nov. 1 takeover of the plant,'' said Clint Michaelis, executive vice president of Sony Engineering & Manufacturing of America. Construction activities will total about $100 million, he said.

The Sigel Group of Narberth, Pa., has been selected as the architect for the project, Michaelis said.

Sony said it expects to hire about 250 hourly employees beginning next summer and another 100 positions should be filled between next summer and the projected 1992 start-up date. About 1,000 jobs are expected to be created in the first three years of operations, primarily filled by local workers, officials said.

Up to 4,000 applications already have been processed, Sony said.

The deal with the commonwealth calls for Sony to lease 800 acres of the 1,200-acre site in East Huntingdon Township, about 35 miles southeast of Pittsburgh, for $21 million, payable over 20 years. Pennsylvania also is to offer Sony $20 million in low-interest loans for plant renovations and water and sewage facilities. Another $3.5 million is to be provided for job training grants.

Pennsylvania bought the site from Volkswagen for an undisclosed price after the automaker closed the assembly plant in 1988.

Michaelis said Sony is in the process of reaching an agreement with local tax authorities. The Japanese company would pay more than $1 million in lieu of paying traditional property taxes, the same arrangement Volkswagen had.

In addition to updating plans for the tube plant, Sony revealed the Westmoreland County site still remains on a list of possible sites being

considered for its new television manufacturing facility. An announcement is expected in the next several months.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	60 1-8	up 7-8
AT&T Company	31 5-8	up 7-8
BCE Inc	30 7-8	unch
Bell Atlantic	46 1-8	up 5-8
BellSouth Corp	51 7-8	off 1-8
Exxon Corp	50 1-4	off 1-4
Ford Motor Co	33 1-8	up 1-4
Genl Electric	55 1-4	up 3-4
General Motors	36 1-2	up 3-8
GTE Corp	26 1-4	up 3-4
IBM Corp	106 1-4	up 1 1-4
Mobil Oil	65 3-4	off 1 1-8
Nynex Corp	69 3-8	up 1
Pac Gas & Elec	20 7-8	up 1-4
Pacific Telesis	43 1-4	up 1 1-4
Phila Electric	14 3-4	unch
Sears Roebuck	26 3-8	up 1-4
Southern Co	23 1-2	up 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	50 3-8	up 7-8
US West Inc	33 3-8	up 1-4

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1093.5
Monday	1093.9
Week ago	1098.2
Month ago	1135.2
Year ago	1110.1
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90268u1724 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Senior Pentagon officials said Tuesday between 500 and 1,000 Soviet military advisers and technicians are in Iraq, many involved

in maintenance on Soviet-built bombers and fighters.

This differs significantly from the 150 to 160 military advisers mentioned previously by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

The senior Pentagon officials, who spoke on condition they not be identified, said the discrepancy probably results from the way the advisers and technicians are counted.

Gorbachev and Shevardnadze are ''probably referring to uniformed personnel, working for the (army's) general staff,'' a Pentagon official said, while U.S. analysts include those specialists who do not wear uniforms.

The Pentagon officials said the Soviet Union has honored the U.N.- sponsored sanctions against Iraq for the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and has not sent any military equipment or supplies to Baghdad.

At the same time, ''a group of Soviet specialists'' numbering between 500 and 1,000 in Iraq ''continue to be involved ... in basically maintenance work ... mostly associated with aircraft,'' one Pentagon official said.

Iraq has about 513 combat aircraft, including Soviet-built MiG and Su fighters and Tu-22 and Tu-16 bombers.

''They're away from the front lines,'' the Pentagon official said of the Soviet specialists, referring to the border between Saudi Arabia and Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

The Soviets have declined to pull their advisers and technicians out of Iraq, arguing that they are under legal contract and will come out once their contract expires.

A Pentagon official said ''bureaucratic struggles in the Soviet Union'' between those who want to honor the U.N. sanctions and cut off all support of Baghdad and those who want to maintain Moscow's longtime relationship with Iraq are the apparent reason for the Soviets taking a dual track of action.

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#90268u1734 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

KARACHI, PAKISTAN (SEPT. 25) UPI - Deposed Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto, kicking off a campaign to regain power in Oct. 24 elections, told enthusiastic crowds Tuesday a vote for her Pakistan People's Party ''would mean a vote for democratic stability and against terrorism.''

Bhutto, the first woman elected to rule a Moslem country and now being investigated over corruption and nepotism allegations, toured six shantytowns

and four middle class districts in Karachi, a city of 8 million residents, told the crowds that cases against her, her family members and party colleagues were ''all fabricated and not true.''

''We were actually about to launch a revolutionary economic empancipation program for the rural masses in order to bring them out of the perpetual poverty and help them march into the 21st century along with their urban brothers,'' she said.

But the ''powers that be, the anti-people, exploitative, vested interests'' do not want her to bring about these changes and so she said they sacked her accusing her of being corrupt.

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan established Special Disqualification Courts to look into allegations of corruption involving Bhutto and members of her Pakistan People's Party. Those found guilty could be disqualified from running for elected jobs for up to seven years.

Bhutto has called the Special Disqualification Courts unconstitutional. She has said a judicial commission comprising Supreme Court judges should be appointed to look into the allegations of corruption against people who held government office.

Ishaq Khan implicated former Bhutto's father-in-law in ''financial irregularities'', according to papers filed Tuesday with the Lahore Special Disqualification Court.

No details were released on the charges against Hakim Ali Zardari, former chairman of the National Assembly's Public Accounts Committee.

Bhutto said Ishaq Khan ''is himself corrupt. He has accused me of horse trading (buying the loyalties of elected representatives) but after dismissing my government he has bought members of my party and appointed them ministers in the caretaker cabinet and one is the chief minister of Sindh province.''

''He has set free people accused of being traitors. He is also trying to oblige the terrorists,'' she said. ''The president had institued cases against me for nepotism, but he himself has indulged in nepotism by arranging loan write-offs for his in-laws and by trying to influence official decision in a cellular phone project contract to enable his in- laws to get the contract.''

Bhutto charged Ishaq Khan ''has also used his position to arrange the release of one of his relatives who was arrested in Canada on drug smuggling charges''.

The special courts have already issued two orders to the former Prime Minister to appear before the courts.

The first one deals with her alleged use of influence to favour a London-based

hotel sponsored in a land deal and the second pertains to theallocation of liquid petroleum sales agencies to her close relatives and friends on the grounds that they had suffered financial losses during under the military rule of General Zia-ul Haq. Zia died in an air crash in 1988.

The notice on the second case was issued on Monday. If Bhutto fails to prove that she was not guilty of what she has been accused, then she would also be barred from taking part in the Oct. 24 elections.

Bhutto has called the courts ''kangaro courts'' but has so far has not taken any public stand on the two notices issued to her.

Sources close to the PPP in Islamabad say that she would challenge the constitutionality and legality of the special courts but would not refuse to appear before them.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2485.64	up	32.67
20 Trans	844.67	up	2.77
15 Utils	200.64	up	0.88
65 Stocks	867.16	up	7.85

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#90268u1742 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Turkish President Turgut Ozal told President Bush that Iraq's military might has been exaggerated but warned Tuesday it will be tough for Saddam Hussein to back down, an administration official said.

Although Bush and Ozal did not specifically discuss the propects of war in the Persian Gulf crisis, the Turkish leader gave a political and military assessment of Iraq and its president, said Assistant Secretary of State James Dobbins, who met with reporters after the two presidents concluded their talks at the White House.

Dobbins said Ozal told Bush that public assessments of Iraq's military capabilities have been ''somewhat exaggerated - that Iraq, after all, was a Third World state. It's not Germany. It's not the Soviet Union.''

As for Saddam, Dobbins quoted Ozal and his aides as saying that ''flexibility was not his strong point and that changing his mind or backing down from a situation was going to be difficult.''

Bush, with the support of the United Nations, has demanded Iraq's unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait, which was overrun Aug. 2 with a swift

military assault.

On Tuesday, Bush promised Ozal a package of political, economic and military rewards for Turkey's strong stand against Iraq, a neighbor to the south.

As Ozal was getting into his limousine to leave the White House, he was asked by reporters if he believed there would be war in the gulf.

''Only God knows,'' he replied.

The Pentagon has refused to offer a public assessment of Iraq's military power but has said Iraqi soldiers are believed to number more than 1 million.

Defense officials also have estimated there are 430,000 Iraqi troops in Kuwait and southern Iraq, backed up by 3,500 tanks, 2,500 armored personnel carriers and 1,700 artillery pieces.

Dobbins said Ozal gave his assessment of Iraq's military and Saddam at the request of administration, and that Bush and other U.S. officials he met with made no specific response.

He said Ozal expressed his belief there has been an ''exaggerated concern'' about Iraq's military, which was hardened by its eight-year war with Iran but also depleted by that bloody conflict.

But Dobbins added, ''He wasn't coming to tell us not to worry. I don't think he was saying it'll be a run over (and) that there won't be any casualties.''

During a picture-taking session in the Oval Office at the start of his talks with Bush, Ozal was asked how long Turkey, which cut off a lucrative pipeline with Iraq to comply with the U.N. embargo, could maintain such sacrifices.

''As much as is required,'' the Turkish president replied.

In formal departure remarks on the south lawn, Bush told Ozal that U.S.-Turkish relations ''have never been stronger.'' He said they had discussed ''how we might expand ties, politically, economically, culturally and militarily.''

On the economic side, Bush promised to work next month toward a new agreement lifting trade barriers on textiles from Turkey and said the United States will support Turkey's bid to become a member of the European Community.

Ozal, who emphasized that Turkey wanted ''trade not aid,'' was lavish in his praise of Bush's handling of the gulf crisis and his leadership in lining up international opposition to Iraq.

Ozal stresed the need for a peacful solution in the gulf and said, ''It is up

to every country to observe the mandatory sanctions and to make them work.''

A senior administration official said that Bush accepted Ozal's invitation to visit Turkey and said he hoped to be able to make the trip before the end of next year.

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#90268u1748 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Marriott Corp. said Tuesday it would slash more than $500 million from the company's construction budget for new hotels and senior citizens centers in 1991 to bolster a sagging financial position.

The company, caught in a nationwide glut of hotel rooms, said Standard & Poor's Corp. placed certain long-term debt rated A- on the debt-rating agency's CreditWatch list Monday ''with negative implications,'' meaning an eventual downgrade is possible.

''Obviously, we are disappointed with S&P's action,'' said William Shaw, Marriott's chief financial officer. ''We have financial flexibility as well as strong, stable cash flow.''

Among other things, lower debt ratings translate into higher debt- service costs for companies.

In a statement issued by the lodging and contract service company, Shaw announced that Marriott was taking steps to delay construction of hotels and senior centers in 1991, cutting capital expenditures to about $650 million from $1.3 billion in 1990.

''We believe this delay, which we expect to last 12 to 18 months, will provide us with an extra margin of flexibility in the present uncertain financial, real estate and lodging markets,'' Shaw said.

Marriott hotels and seniors citizens centers ''now under construction will be completed primarily in 1991,'' he said.

Shaw also noted that the company, which has disposed of the Roy Rogers fast-food restaurant chain and other businesses, has sold about $900 million in assets in 1990 and expects to sell more than $700 million in other assets over the next few months.

He said that Marriott's food and other contract services, ''which contribute nearly 50 percent of Marriott's sales and cash flow, are not affected by many of the circumstances faced by the lodging industry.''

Marriott is also investigating projects with other companies as well as ventures overseas.

''We are placing greater emphasis on pre-financing development projects, developing with third parties or in joint ventures, and franchising, and we are very interested in long-term international expansion,'' Shaw said.

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#90268u1759 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 13 to 73 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	74.75	74.80	73.80	74.00	73.70
Dec	71.75	72.30	71.15	71.82	71.14
Mar	72.80	73.40	72.17	72.86	72.35
May	73.10	74.05	72.70	73.58	72.85
Jly	73.35	74.35	73.15	73.60	73.10
Oct	69.25	....	....	69.75	69.25
Dec	67.75	68.00	67.65	67.88	67.75

Estimated sales: 6,500 contracts
Open interest: 36,020 off 931
The World spot average: 69.66

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#90268u1776 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 25) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Tuesday - 9,784,000
1990 to date - 1,856,555,000

The market closed higher.

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#90268u1777 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

SRINAGAR, INDIA (SEPT. 25) UPI - Security forces intercepted two groups of militants who crossed from Pakistan into the Indian side of disputed Kashmir, sparking gun battles that left 13 militants dead, police said Tuesday.

The incidents occurred Monday night when security forces patrolling the Indo-Pakistan border intercepted two groups crossing into the Indian side near Kupwara, 65 miles northwest of Srinagar, the state capital of northern Jammu and Kashmir state, police said.

They said in the first incident, militants opened fire as they ran into an Indian border patrol that returned fire and killed five militants.

The second shootout occurred two hours later at Matschil in Kupwara region, where border patrol found a second group of militants entering from Pakistan.

They opened fire when militants ignored their call to surrender, resulting in a gun battle that left eight militants dead, police said, adding that the border patrol suffered no casualties.

Police gave no further details.

Moslem militants have been waging a campaign for secession of Kashmir, but the movement flared up into a popular uprising against Indian rule in mid-January after security forces opened fire on demonstrators, killing at least 35 people.

Since then more than 700 people have been killed in near-daily violence. Tens of thousands of troops and paramilitary forces have been deployed in the region, but have failed to crush the uprising.

India has repeatedly accused Pakistan of arming and training Moslem militants. Pakistan denies the allegations, but admits providing moral support to the movement.

Both New Delhi and Islamabad claim sovereignty over the region with India controlling two-thirds of disputed region and the remaining area under the control of Pakistan.

In a related development the Al-Omar Mujhaideen group that demands merger of Kashmir with Pakistan, announced that no private cars and jeeps would be used in the valley from Wednesday.

''All civilians have been asked to discontinue the use of light vehicles because Indian security guards are seen roaming about in this vehicles in plain clothes to pick up militants on information provided by informers (arrested members),'' said a statement from the militant group.

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#90268u1781 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Saying he ''can look America in the eye,'' South African President F.W. de Klerk vowed Tuesday that the racial reforms now under way in his country will eliminate the rationale for U.S. economic sanctions.

The sanctions were imposed over President Reagan's veto in 1986 to punish South Africa for its apartheid system of racial separation, and the question of whether to drop them has emerged as a theme of de Klerk's visit, the first to America by a South African president in a half-century.

President Bush said after meeting with de Klerk Monday he believed racial

reforms in South Africa were ''irreversible'' but several more specific conditions still had to be met before the sanctions could be ended.

In a National Press Club speech that punctuated a day of meetings with members of Congress, de Klerk said the question of sanctions had only come up ''indirectly'' during his discussions with Bush and Senate leaders.

''I did not come here with a shopping list,'' he said. ''We intend, because we believe it must be done, to do all the things to which the CAAA (Comprehensive Anti-Apartheid Act) requires. ... The time will come when automatically there will be compliance and sanctions will fall away.''

De Klerk said his goal was for Americans ''to accept our sincerity in wishing to create a new South Africa on principles to which you can subscribe.''

''I can look America in the eye and say, 'We are no longer divided,''' he said. ''Apartheid is not an issue any longer. It is only kept alive by those who now have a vested interest in keeping it alive.

''The challenge is to manage the transistion within South Africa in such a way that the fundamental human values which we share are able to survive the turbulance of adaptation required from both black and white.''

De Klerk, who released black South African leader Nelson Mandela in February and has since entered talks with Mandela's African National Congress, made specific promises on all the remaining reasons for U.S. sanctions.

He said political prisoners were being released under a schedule agreed to by the ANC and that his government has begun its consideration of lifting the state of emergency in Natal Province.

He said parliament next year would take up current laws restricting where blacks can live and buy land. He added that the Population Registration Act, which classifies South Africans according to race, ''is inseparable from the present constitution and will fall away when a new constitution is adopted.''

Anne Griffin, legislative director for TransAfrica, the group that led the fight for sanctions, said de Klerk's sincerity would remain in doubt until he launches a ''direct attack on the legislative foundation of apartheid.''

''You have to focus on the legislation. The fact that he hasn't moved on any of the cornerstones of apartheid has made us cautious,'' she said. ''So far, nothing has happened that anyone who scrutinizes his moves over the last year can say is irreversible.''

Just as Mandela did in his June appearance before Congress, de Klerk turned to American history in hopes of finding sympathy for his position.

But while Mandela invoked the names of George Washington and Thomas Jefferson to justify the use of violence, de Klerk indirectly referred to the U.S. experience with slavery and discrimination.

He began his speech, for example, by joking with the woman moderator of the event about past National Press Club policies barred women from joining.

''Of all the countries in the world, the United States of America might be the best equipped to understand the complexity of our problems, '' de Klerk said.

''You yourself have experienced the agony of conflicting choices. You do not realize how similar our histories are.''

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#90268u1786 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	169.20	up	1.69
ASE Market Value Index	313.17	up	0.33
Dow-Jones Industrial	2485.64	up	32.67

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#90268u1787 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Tuesday it will offer $18.4 billion in 13-week and 26-week T-bills at its weekly auction next Monday to raise $1.45 billion in new cash.

But the department also said that it will ''postpone the auctions unless it has assurance of enactment of legislation to raise the statutory debt limit before the scheduled auction date.''

In a letter to congressional leaders released Monday, Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady said the government could run out of cash by Oct. 4 unless Congress increases the debt limit to $3.509 trillion.

Congress has passed temporary legislation increasing the debt limit to $3.195 trillion, but that ceiling will revert to about $3.123 trillion at midnight Tuesday unless the permanent measure is approved.

''Without an increase in the debt limit, all issuance of Treasury securities would cease,'' Brady said in the letter.

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#90268u1795 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks	-	155,940,000 shares

1990 to date - 29,196,798,612
Warrants - 749,500
1990 to date - 183,203,400

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#90268u1800 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Tuesday - $36,270,000
1990 to date - $8,207,518,000

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#90268u1805 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

DENVER (SEPT. 25) UPI - A former Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan Association executive testified Tuesday that a $900,000 line of credit extended by the failed thrift in 1986 to a Denver developer who had ties to Neil Bush may have been inappropriate.

Russell Murray, the one-time chief lending officer of the failed thrift, also said he did not have all the facts about the relationship between President Bush's son and the developer before acting on the request for the credit line.

Murray was the first witness to testify in public at a hearing by the Office of Thrift Supervision on allegations that Bush violated conflict- of-interest regulations while a member of Silverado's board of directors.

A final decision in the case is not expected until next spring. If Bush is found guilty, he would be barred from similar actions if he ever became involved in the thrift business again.

Bush, a Denver oilman, has steadfastly maintained that he did nothing wrong. He was on the thrift's board between 1985 and 1988, resigning just months before it was seized by regulators. The thrift's failure is expected to eventually cost taxpayers about $1 billion.

Bush, 35, did not attend the opening day of the hearing but was scheduled to testify later this week.

Although the hearing was opened to the public, the lead-off witness was allowed to testify behind closed doors Tuesday.

Administrative law judge Daniel Davidson allowed Michael Wise, the former president and board chairman, to appear in the judge's chambers. Davidson said he wanted to save Wise the ''ordeal'' of testifying in public. His testimony, however, may eventually be made public.

Another witness, former Silverado director Florian Barth, also refused to

testify Tuesday, apparently because he was named in a $200 million Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. suit against former Silverado officials. Government attorneys said they would try to subpoena him.

Most of Murray's testimony Tuesday concerned a $900,000 line of credit extended to Good International, a company owned by former Denver developer Kenneth Good. Neil Bush requested that Silverado's management approve the line of credit in 1986. The credit line was approved but never used.

Bush was one of the partners in JNB International, which was involved in a joint venture with Good International in Argentina. The OTS also has alleged that Good arranged for more than $3 million in financing for Bush's unsuccessful oil and gas exploration business.

Murray testified that he was aware there was a relationship between Good and Bush before he prepared a memo on the proposed line of credit for Good.

But he said if he had been aware of the full extent of the relationship, he would have referred the line of credit to Silverado's chief counsel to see if there were any violations of federal regulations.

The line of credit was approved by the thrift's loan committee and then by the board of directors. Bush abstained from voting.

Murray also testified that he now believes Silverado's counsel might have found the line of credit ''an inappropriate transaction,'' if the full details had been known about the Good-Bush relationship.

In the FDIC's suit, Bush and other Silverado officers were accused of ''repeatedly'' breaching their responsibilities to run the thrift safely. The suit said their ''gross negligence'' contributed to Silverado's collapse in December 1988.

Because the thrift's directors did not have liability insurance, they could become personally liable for any damages granted in the case.

The FDIC suit did not charge that Neil Bush profited directly from his role at Silverado, but it did say he failed to properly disclose his business relationships with two of the thrift's largest borrowers - including a $100,000 loan from Good that he never paid back.

President Bush has had no comment on the suits but has defended his son's integrity.

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#90268u1823 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 313.18, low 312.12, close 313.17 up 0.33.

There was a gain of 1 cent in the average share price.

Volume 12,940,000 shares, compared with 14, 050,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	4
New Lows	83
Advances	237
Declines	275
Unchanged	258
Total Issues	767

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#90268u1830 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WEST BERLIN (SEPT. 25) UPI - Hundreds of Social Democratic delegates from East and West Germany converged on Berlin Tuesday for a three-day party congress that will end 44 years of division in advance of Oct. 3 German unification.

At the congress, which starts Wednesday, the East and West German Social Democratic parties will formally merge into a single party that will compete against Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union in the Dec. 2 federal election - the first in a unified Germany.

The 550 delegates were expected to nominate Oscar Lafontaine, prime minister of the West German state of Saarland, as Kohl's challenger, and were due to approve a 100-point government program drawn up by the party leadership.

''This is the beginning of the hot campaigning period leading up to the federal election,'' SPD federal manager Erik Bettermann said.

But recent polls showed that Kohl and his center-right CDU are far more popular than Lafontaine and the SPD.

Similar surveys show the SPD also trails the CDU in four of the five East German states, where regional elections are due to be held Oct. 14. The five states will join the 11 West German states in the Federal Republic of Germany Oct. 3.

In the first free elections in East Germany, March 18, the SPD gained only 22 percent of the vote against the CDU's 41 percent. In past West German elections, the SPD averaged about 38 percent.

''We are striving for 40 percent plus (of the vote),'' Lafontaine said.

Observers believe Lafontaine will face a tough task in gaining acceptance from

East German members because of his earlier calls to slow down the pace of unification.

The SPD, which like most other political parties had been banned in 1933 by Adolf Hitler, was re-established in 1945 after World War II.

One year later, the SPD in the Soviet occupied zone - later East Germany - was forced to merge with the Communist Party to form the Socialist Unity Party, the SED, which ruled East Germany until last fall's peaceful revolution.

More than 5,000 SPD members in East Germany who opposed the forced union with the Communists were arrested and imprisoned - many in Hitler's former death camps, which the Soviet forces used as prisoner of war camps.

SPD officials said about 400 of those arrested died during their imprisonment and another 1,000 died after their 1950 release as a result of their treatment in prison.

The SPD was reestablished Oct. 7, 1989, about one month before the Berlin Wall opened and one week before hardline Communist leader Erich Honecker was ousted.

The East and West CDU also are due to merge at an Oct. 1-2 party congress in the West German city of Hamburg. There is little doubt that by Oct. 3, Kohl will not only drop the word ''West'' from his government title but also from his party title. He currently is chairman of the West German CDU.

Until the ouster of the Communist leadership, the East German CDU was a ''bloc-party'' allied to the Communists and not linked to the West German CDU.

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#90268u1834 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	359.29	215.49	130.36	20.96	304.59
Opening	360.57	215.92	130.62	21.03	305.59
11 a.m.	359.96	215.43	130.43	20.86	304.95
Noon	359.82	215.27	130.56	20.82	304.85
1 p.m.	361.19	216.39	131.15	20.95	306.10
2 p.m.	361.66	217.12	131.14	21.00	306.48
3 p.m.	362.90	217.15	131.32	21.10	307.47
Close	363.73	217.60	131.75	21.21	308.26
Change	up 4.44	up 2.11	up 1.39	up 0.25	up 3.67

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#90268u1839 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - After years of delay caused by disputes over verification, the Senate ratified Tuesday two treaties negotiated with the Soviet Union in the mid-1970s that limit underground nuclear tests to 150 kilotons.

The Senate voted 98-0 to approve the 1974 Threshold Test Ban Treaty, which limits nuclear tests to 150 kilotons, and the 1976 Peaceful Nuclear Explosions Treaty, which bars nuclear blasts over 150 kilotons for peaceful purposes.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell said the United States can now have ''high confidence'' that the tests can be monitored and urged the administration to immediately begin seeking a comprensive ban on all nuclear tests.

Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said, ''We owe it to those who inhabit the planet now and those who will follow us to deal forcefully and resolutely with the vestiges of the cold war.

''We must reduce and, as soon as we can, end our reliance on nuclear weapons to maintain the peace and find new solutions to problems based more on our wit and wisdom than our weapons of war,'' Pell said.

He added, ''I hope that an early marker in our search for a peaceful and prosperous new world will be a complete end to nuclear testing. We have a solemn obligation we must not ignore, and a promise we are bound to keep.''

Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., who previously resisted the treaties, said they now were ''effectively verifiable'' and said he would support ratification.

The United States and the Soviet Union have been observing provisions of the treaties negotiatied by Presidents Nixon and Ford, respectively, but neither had been ratified because of concerns about whether they could be verified.

Negotiations on verification procedures began in November 1987 and produced protocols allowing on-site verification that were signed June 1 in Washington by President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

The Senate Intelligence Committee reported Sept. 12 that the Soviet Union has not committed any ''major'' violations of the treaties since 1976 and said the United States now has ''sufficient'' capabilities to detect future violations.

But the report said ''there is a threat of Soviet intelligence exploitation of the inspection process.''

National security adviser Brent Scowcroft later wrote the committee to assure members ''the administration will take no action under the treaty that would endanger of compromise vulnerable U.S. programs.''

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#90268u1843 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2460.40	2501.24	2437.38	2485.64	up 32.67
20 Trans	842.09	855.21	829.51	844.67	up 2.77
15 Utils	199.82	202.09	198.63	200.64	up 0.88
65 Stock	860.87	874.12	852.10	867.16	up 7.85

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Tuesday	Monday
Indus	18,868,200	21,174,900
Trans	3,395,500	3,290,100
Utils	3,043,200	2,811,200
65 Stock	25,306,900	27,276,200

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.72	up 0.28
10 Public Utils	90.19	up 0.53
10 Industrials	87.25	up 0.02

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 131.43 off 0.11.

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#90268u1845 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	229.75	230.10	228.30	229.60	228.90
Mar	....	....	....	231.80	231.60
Jun	....	....	....	234.80	234.60

Previous day volume: 102 contracts.

Open interest: 946 up 10

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	309.50	311.55	307.05	311.30	307.30
Mar	311.50	314.10	309.80	314.00	309.90
Jun	....	316.80	313.40	316.90	313.90

Today's estimated volume: 41,325 contracts.
Open interest: 152,633 off 26,949
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	169.90	171.10	168.70	170.95	168.65
Mar	171.20	172.00	170.45	172.35	170.05
Jun	172.50	172.50	172.50	173.75	171.45

Open interest: 4,781 up 369
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	512.00	517.80	511.00	517.15	510.90
Nov	513.30	517.80	511.60	517.40	511.00
Dec	515.60	520.00	514.00	519.70	513.50

Estimated volume 2,874 contracts.
Open interest: 6,463 off 3,456

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	33.40-33.50	33.85-33.90
North Sea Brent	39.95-40.00	40.40-40.50
West Texas Intermed	38.25-38.30	39.05-39.15
Light Louisiana Sweet	39.00-39.15	39.65-39.85
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	102.55-102.80	104.75-105.00
No. 2 Heating oil	100.20-100.45	102.90-103.15
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	98.80-99.05	102.00-102.25
No. 2 Heating oil	98.40-98.50	100.50-100.70

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#90268u1847 09/25/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Tuesday	363.73	217.60	131.75	21.21	308.26
Monday	359.29	215.49	130.36	20.96	304.59
Week ago	376.71	228.61	131.33	22.77	318.60
Month ago	381.58	229.60	126.19	23.79	321.34
Year ago	393.01	306.17	141.19	33.14	344.33
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	359.29	215.49	124.60	20.96	304.59

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#90268u1852 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941- 43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	363.74	358.91	363.73	up 4.44
20 Trans	218.20	215.10	217.60	up 2.11
40 Utils	131.75	130.33	131.75	up 1.39
40 Fncl	21.22	20.82	21.21	up 0.25
500 Stocks	308.27	304.23	308.26	up 3.67

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#90268u1855 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney Tuesday extended until the end of the year a cost-cutting civilian hiring freeze he first imposed in January and that officials said has reduced the work force by 26,000 employees.

Cheney ordered the freeze Jan. 11 to cut expenses under the $300 billion Defense Department budget.

The defense secretary extended the civilian hiring freeze through Dec. 30, Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said.

Since the freeze has been in effect, the civilian workforce has been reduced by 26,000 people as employees have retired or resigned, Williams said.

The Pentagon said the Defense Department had 1.156 million civilian employees in fiscal 1989, and the number had dropped to 1.130 million by July 1990.

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#90268u1857 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net Chg.	Week ago	Year ago

Composite	354.78	up	2.62	372.21	467.84
Industrial	380.48	up	3.80	399.21	453.88
Finance	352.07	up	0.56	369.59	556.37
Insurance	421.59	off	0.99	433.59	525.73
Utility	468.13	up	5.78	495.44	742.45
Bank	257.11	off	1.05	271.40	478.79
Transport	393.17	off	0.79	410.70	467.41

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 352.16

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 155.24 up 1.24

Industrial Index 150.27 up 1.64

NASDAQ-100 Index 361.42 up 6.21

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#90268u1863 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - The American Medical Association called Tuesday for the resignation of the Health and Human Services inspector general, Richard Kusserow, saying U.S. physicians do not trust him.

Inspectors general are the watchdogs of the various federal agencies, attempting to uncover fraud and abuse within the agency and by people receiving money or services from the agency.

Doctors found to be defrauding or abusing the Medicare or Medicaid programs are not permitted to receive reimbursement from the federal health insurance programs.

''We found it necessary to send a letter to the president, seeking the resignation of Mr. Kusserow because of a lack of trust and confidence by U.S. physicians,'' said AMA Vice Chairman Robert McAfee, saying it has become ''increasingly difficult'' to work with Kusserow.

McAfee said doctors are ''being hassled'' because of Kusserow's overly aggressive policies. He denied he wants Kusserow out because doctors are feeling the pinch of Kusserow's mission to hunt down fraud and abuse.

Kusserow has no plans to step down, his spokeswoman said.

''The I.G.'s record speaks for itself and we were surprised by the AMA's action,'' said Judith Holtz.

White House comment was not immediately available.

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#90268u1865 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	313.17	up	0.33
High Technology	296.29	up	1.99
Capital Goods	330.40	off	0.08
Consumer Goods	365.35	up	0.65
Service	670.40	up	2.26
Retail	915.51	up	0.13
Financial	361.16	off	2.53
Natural Resources	253.17	up	0.22
Housing-Const-Land	315.84	off	2.28

There was a gain of 1 cent in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	392.76	off	1.50
Mid Atlantic	392.60	up	0.17
No Central	404.16	up	2.48
So Atlantic	869.69	off	2.27
So Central	307.47	up	1.09
Mountain	108.54	up	1.80
Pacific	351.11	up	0.70
Foreign	247.83	up	0.36

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#90268u1873 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

HOLLYWOOD (SEPT. 25) UPI - Moviegoers have paid more than $3.6 billion so far this year at the domestic box office, about 1 percent behind 1989's record-setting pace, when ticket sales for the year topped $5 billion.

With the romance-thriller ''Ghost'' and new releases ''GoodFellas'' and ''Postcards From the Edge'' keeping early fall sales from lagging, the year-to-date box-office total passed $3.63 billion over the weekend, Daily Variety reported Tuesday.

That compares with more than $3.69 billion for the same period last year and $3.28 billion at the same juncture in 1988.

The top 10 movies of the weekend, led by the Mafia tale ''GoodFellas, '' drew $34.2 million, up 5 percent from the prior weekend's $32.5 million and 2 percent better than the $33.5 million scored by the top 10 a year ago.

For the week, the domestic box office total reached $67 million, off from $71.2 million for the year-ago week. In 1988, the same week produced ticket sales of $52.6 million.

''Ghost,'' the year's surprise hit, has grossed $148.3 million for Paramount in 11 weeks and is almost certain to become the top money- maker of 1990. It trails only Disney's ''Pretty Woman,'' which has drawn in $172.5 million in 28 weeks.

In all, seven films have crossed the $100 million benchmark this year.

New Line Cinema's ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles'' is the year's third-leading film, with $133.1 million in 26 weeks; Paramount's ''Hunt for Red October'' has a gross of $120.6 million in 29 weeks and Carolco's ''Total Recall'' has pulled in $117.8 million in 17 weeks.

Fox's ''Die Hard 2'' has sold $112.7 million of tickets in 12 weeks, and Disney's ''Dick Tracy'' has grossed $103.7 million in 12 weeks.

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#90268u1875 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	52,046,056	31	up 1 1/4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	50,415,520	33 3/4	up 1 3/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	42,855,816	60 3/8	up 1 7/8
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	39,650,280	30	off 1/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	36,977,776	66 3/8	up 7/8
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	32,355,444	27 1/4	unch
Amgen	(AMGN)	30,047,456	49 1/8	up 2 1/4
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	27,548,594	41 1/4	up 1 1/8
Autodesk	(ACAD)	16,893,190	43 1/4	up 2
Conner Perphrls	(CNNR)	16,754,699	19 1/2	up 1/8

Composite Index 155.24 up 1.24

NMS volume 90,271,104 shares.

Advances	790
Declines	736
Unchanged	1,279
Total	2,805

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#90268u1883 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.

MCA Corp	3,710,500	54	up	19 1/2
Philip Morris	2,379,900	44 7/8	up	1
Paramount Com	1,833,100	34 7/8	up	3 3/8
Chase Manhtan	1,768,300	12	up	7/8
PepsiCo Inc	1,719,800	22	up	3/8
Genl Electric	1,617,900	55 5/8	up	1 1/8
IBM Corp	1,545,300	106 3/8	up	1 3/8
Waste Mangment	1,365,800	33 1/2	up	3/4
Boeing Co	1,308,200	40 3/4	up	3/8
Potomac El	1,274,700	18 1/4	off	1/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,262,600	27 5/8	up	1 3/8
Wal-Mart Strs	1,255,000	26 3/8	up	1/2
Citicorp	1,182,400	15 1/2	up	1/4
Genl Motor	1,165,800	36 1/2	up	3/8
Security Pac	1,145,200	22 1/8	off	5/8

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#90268u1887 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	4	8	22
New lows	307	441	183

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	765	89,683,000
Declines	736	50,418,000
Unchanged	468	15,839,000
Total	1,969	155,940,000

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#90268u1889 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	4
New lows	83

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	237	4,113,500
Declines	275	5,545,800
Unchanged	255	3,280,700
Total	767	12,940,000

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#90268u1891 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
BAT Indus	772,700	9 5/8	off	1-16
Rhone Poulenc	410,100	10 7/8	unch	
Wang Labs B	358,500	3 1/8	unch	
Echo Bay Mines	358,200	13 3/8	unch	
Paine W Gr wtB	357,600	9 1/8	off	7/8
Denmark K wt	312,700	19 1/8	off	3/4
Salomon wt Jan	301,200	18 1/8	off	7/8
Hillhaven	300,600	1 5/8	up	1/8
Salomon wt Feb	289,400	19 1/8	off	3/4
Citzens Fst B	271,800	4 1/4	off	3/4

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#90268u1898 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Tuesday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5900	up	75
MCA Corp	54	up	19 1/2
Beneficial pfC	184 1/2	off	13 1/2
CapCiti/ABC	457	up	11 1/4
CBS Inc	160	up	5
Chase Man pfB	58	off	4 3/4
Enron pfJ	206	up	4
Atl Rch pfC	332 5/8	off	3 7/8
Lilly Eli wt	69 1/4	up	3 1/2
Paramount Com	34 7/8	up	3 3/8
Litton Indus	80	up	3 1/4

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.13	8.33	9.05
91-day Treasury bills	7.61	7.62	7.77
182-day Treasury bills	7.80	7.76	7.83
1-year Treasury bills	7.86	7.83	7.73
3-year Treasury notes	8.37	8.37	8.37
7-year Treasury notes	8.89	8.91	8.33
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	9.15	9.18	8.24
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.50	9.50	N/A

30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.13	10.15	9.25
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.40	9.41	9.22
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.62	9.07	9.26
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.65	9.65	9.41
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.64	9.63	9.39

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90268u1908 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - The Pentagon established a ''donations hotline'' Tuesday for people who wants to send toys, games and other items to U.S. troops supporting Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf region.

''Proposed donations would first have to be cleared through the hotline, at (703) 274-3561. Donators are responsible for shipment of items, at their own expense, to a collection point on the East or West Coast,'' the Pentagon said.

It also provided a list of acceptable items that ranges from reading material and exercise equipment to sun block and squirt guns. The list includes these items:

Games

Hand-held computer games (i.e., Games Boy)

Electronic portable games (i.e, Nintendo)

Cards, darts, chess, cribbage, checkers, bingo, Risk, Uno, Battleship, Pictionary, Bumper Pool, Scrabble, Scruples, air hockey, mini pingpong, Trivial Pursuit, Skittles, Abalone, backgammon, Monopoly, etc.

Music and Audio

Music videos and cassettes

Blank video or audio tapes

Sports video tapes

Instruments

Video cameras

Arab language tapes
Batteries
Radios
Battery TVs
Portable VCRs

Reading
USA Today
Comics
Current magazines (beware of restrictions on women's clothing)
Books

Hobby
Remote control model kits
Paint or drawing supplies
Kite-making kits
String art
Leathercraft
Macrame
Model kits
Needlecraft kits
Film
Disposable cameras (35mm)

Writing
Stationery
Pens
Christmas-holiday cards

Fitness Equipment
Exercycle (i.e., Life Cycle)
Rowing machine
Weight benches
Weight belts
Weight plates
Free weights
Jump ropes
Cross-country ski machine
Stair-climbing machine

Sports
Baseballs, gloves, bats, etc.
Portable basketball goals
Softball equipment
Soccer balls, free-standing goals
Rubber footballs

Volleyballs, nets and standards
Basketballs
Rubber kickballs
Horseshoes, stakes
Air pumps
Gear bags

Other
Squirt guns
Rubber balls
Wiffle balls
Frisbees
Indoor golf
Nerf balls
Personal
Sun visors
Insect repellant
Sun block

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#90268u1910 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter --day as supplied by NASD.

Volume	109,930,300
Advances	948
Declines	967
Unchanged	2,329
Total	4,244

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#90268u1919 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - The Bush administration opposed a bill Tuesday to subsidize the development of electric automobiles, despite testimony that such cars would reduce the American need for Mideast oil.

''Our addiction to foreign oil threatens our economy, our national security and our environment,'' said Rep. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., who chaired a hearing by a House Science, Space and Technology subcommittee.

''Developing a practical electric car is not some idle puzzle for engineers,'' Torricelli said. ''It is part of a sound energy policy that will give this country back its self-reliance and help clean the thick haze of pollution from our skies.''

But J. Michael Davis, the Energy Department's assistant secretary for conservation and renewable energy, said the administration opposed the bill,

noting it ''essentially would provide subsidies for the commercialization of electric vehicles through cost discounts to the consumer'' designed to make the cars comparable in cost to gas-fueled vehicles.

''The intent is that these subsidies would enhance the marketability of electric vehicles to the point where the increased demand would lower the vehicle price as a result of the economies of scale associated with mass production,'' Davis said.

''However, it is unlikely that the economies of scale necessary to obtain the desired decrease in production cost will be achieved as a result of subsidies '' Davis testified. ''The price differential for vehicles that currently are being considered for production is much too great to achieve a significant increase in volume without a major drain on the treasury.''

During questioning, Davis conceded that the Reagan and Bush administrations had drastically reduced funding for electric vehicle research, compared to money spent during the Carter admnistration.

''I think a decade ago we had a much broader program,'' Davis testified.

Rep. George Brown Jr., D-Calif., said automobile companies have dragged their feet in designing electric cars. Brown introduced the bill - authorizing a five-year, $50 million program to develop mass-produced electric automobiles, with the federal government sharing the cost of initial commercial production.

''I've worked for the automobile companies for 25 years,'' Brown said. ''I've never seen them do anything they didn't have to, believe me.''

Although the administration opposes the bill, Davis testified that electric cars would improve urban air quality and ''will be essentially non-polluting if they use electricity generated with solar, hydroelectric or nuclear energy.''

They also would help reduce American imports of foreign oil, he said. The Energy Department is currently working on the three most promising types of batteries to extend the range of electric cars, now about 100 miles, to more than 200 miles ''on a single battery charge,'' Davis said.

''With current battery technology, electric vehicles are not economically competitive,'' Davis said.

Several automobile companies have produced prototype electric cars or vans, but they say advancements in battery reseach hold the key to commercial success. Critics have charged that automobile companies have never really been interested in alternatives to gasoline-fueled cars.

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#90268u1923 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	354.79	351.54	354.78	up 2.62
Industrial	380.52	376.24	380.48	up 3.80
Finance	352.21	348.95	352.07	up 0.56
Insurance	424.89	421.36	421.59	off 0.99
Utility	468.13	461.30	468.13	up 5.78
Bank	258.23	255.96	257.11	off 1.05
Transport	396.23	391.54	393.17	off 0.79

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (9-24) 352.16

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	155.24 up 1.24
Industrial Index	150.27 up 1.64
NASDAQ-100 Index	361.42 up 6.21
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.03 up 0.04
Volume	90,271,104 shares
Advances	790
Declines	736
Unchanged	1,279
Total	2,805

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#90268u1930 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

HOLLYWOOD (SEPT. 25) UPI - Pointing to more than 7,000 hate crimes against homosexuals last year, a prominent gay and lesbian activist group Tuesday charged the entertainment industry with gay bashing through negative images in movies.

''The situation has gotten much worse. Negative stereotypes, slurs and obnoxious jokes have increased in movies. It's a situation that has to change '' said Richard Jennings, executive director of the Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation.

The group, known by the acronym GLAAD, took out a $1,500, full-page advertisement in the Hollywood trade paper, Daily Variety, Tuesday, listing films with negative images of homosexuals.

''Gay and lesbian film characters are portrayed either as sissies or victims, or murderers and twisted villains. We are maimed and killed. We are verbally

abused with offensive terms such as 'faggot' and 'dyke,'' the ad said.

''There are an estimated 25 million lesbian and gay Americans. With all due respect for freedom of expression, isn't it time Hollywood used that freedom to depict lesbians and gay men in a more realistic and responsible way?'' the ad said.

Listing nine examples of films released this year or in development that present allegedly distorted or negative stereotypes, the ad includes ''Men at Work,'' which features several anti-gay jokes prompted by the tying up of one near-naked policeman behind another. Other movies listed include ''Wild at Heart,'' which employs the term ''faggots''; ''Miller's Crossing'' containing three negative gay characters; and ''Darkman'' with a gay primary villain who collects the severed fingers of his victims.

In ''Bird on a Wire,'' homosexual hairdressers are depicted as swishing stereotypes and are mocked and ridiculed. In ''Q&A,'' homosexual men are viciously beaten and strangled to death.

The rap movie ''House Party'' contains the type of dialogue GLAAD finds especially offensive.

''Do you want to become an AIDS candidate. Take your eyes off me. Don't even watch the kid or you'll go out like Liberace did ... Me a homo? Nah man, that's a no-no,'' a rap number in the movie says.

The group has held meetings with studio and production company heads in an attempt to increase awareness. A meeting with officials at KTMB Productions resulted in the omiting of anti-gay jokes in the new NBC television show ''The Fanelli Boys,'' Jennings said.

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#90268u1938 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - Japanese-built cars once again dominated the E-P-A's annual gasoline mileage ratings... winning nine of the top 10 spots. The German-made Volkswagen Jetta was the only non-Japanese car among the top 10 of the 1991 model-year cars. The E-P-A gave the top gas mileage rating to General Motors' Japanese-made import... the Geo Metro X-F-I. The tiny, three-cylinder sub-compact gets 50-plus miles a gallon. The biggest gas- guzzler was the Lamborghini D-BDiablo, a high-powered sports car that logged nine to 14 miles a gallon.

The Triple-A motor club says the average price of regular gasoline nation-wide jumped nearly two cents in the past week, to one dollar 31 cents a gallon. That's the highest price recorded since the Persian Gulf crisis began on August 2nd.

The Pentagon says the U-N economic sanctions against Iraq have ''proven very effective.'' Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams says Iraq is losing about 100-Million dollars a day in revenue from banned oil exports and its imports have been ''significantly reduced.''

The European Community's top energy official today called ''totally unjustified'' the recent sharp hikes in oil prices. The official warned the oil and gas industries that their recent practices could threaten their future relationships with governments.

The space shuttle Discovery has been given a green light for launch on October 6th. Discovery's four-day high-profile mission will be NASA's first shuttle flight in five months. Its five-man crew will fire a European probe over the poles of the sun.

Soviet President Gorbachev already has turned the Soviet Union topsy turvy with reforms... now he's proposing a new name for it. His suggestion- the Union of Sovereign Socialist States.

New York City police say a 13-year-old girl sitting on a bench in Brooklyn with a friend was shot in the head and slightly wounded last night. She was the fourth child hit by gunfire in the city in as many days.

Surgeon General Antonia Novello says quitting smoking is the ''single most important step'' smokers can take to live longer, with those who stop before age 50 cutting in half the risk of dying in the next 15 years. .

Researchers report in the Journal of the American Medical Association that people who have smoked at some time in their lives are more likely to have suffered a period of depression than non-smokers.

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#90268u1956 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - House members angrily accused the administration Tuesday of failing to warn Americans of the impending Iraqi occupation of Kuwait or prepare for their evacuation from those countries before the Aug. 2 invasion.

''This government let American citizens down,'' Rep. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J. said heatedly. ''It is the responsibility of this Congress not to let it happen again.''

''This administration blew it badly when it came to doping out from the beginning what was happening in that region,'' shouted Rep. Larry Smith, D-Fla.

House Foreign Affairs Committee members focused their arguments on a failure by the State Department to warn the 2,500 U.S. citizens in Kuwait and the 580

in Iraq that Iraqi forces were about to invade the Persian Gulf emirate, even though Baghdad's massing of troops on the desert border was well known.

The State Department did not issue an advisory warning against travel to Iraq or Kuwait until Iraqi D-Day Aug. 2. Some committee members said the advisory should have been issued earlier.

Elizabeth Tamposi, the assistant secretary of state for consular affairs, cooly defended the State Department's policy of not issuing a travel advisory until after the invasion and relying on assurances from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein afterwards that U.S. citizens will be permitted to leave both countries.

She said privately later that the congressmen expected the administration to have predicted that Saddam would invade Kuwait, a prediction she suggested could not be made.

Tamposi's testimony came two days after the final evacuation flight from Kuwait and Iraq, from where 1,900 trapped American women and children and other members of their families have been airlifted to freedom aboard nine U.S.-chartered Iraqi Airways flights since Sept. 7.

Another 600 to 700 Americans remain in Kuwait and between 300 and 350 in Iraq, including 69 people with medical problems.

She said Iraqi authorities have ''given us callous, vicious responses'' to U.S. requests for help for those 69.

''To be frank, the outlook is not good,'' Tamposi said of the American men left behind.

Since the invasion, Tamposi said, more than 540,000 people fled to Jordan from Iraq, about 40,000 have crossed from Iraq into Turkey, up to 70,000 have entered Syria from Iraq, more than 20,000 crossed into Iran from Iraq, and ''well over'' 240,000 people have fled Kuwait to Saudi Arabia and other gulf states.

Smith, his voice rising, charged that holding of Americans as hostages ''was an avoidable situation'' because the government ''did nothing - zero - to protect the lives and the safety of Americans'' in Kuwait before the invasion.

U.S. citizens were not warned or evacuated before the Iraqi move, Tamposi said because the ''prevailing consensus (among State Department policy-makers) was that there would not be an invasion.''

She said policy-makers thought the Iraqi buildup along the border ''didn't pose a threat to any Americans'' in Kuwait. ''From what they understood, we did what we thought was the right thing to do.''

Tamposi is an administrator and does not formulate policy.

Many experts in and out government said before the invasion that Saddam merely was rattling sabres by threatening to take over Kuwait unless the sheikdom forgave tens of billions of dollars of Baghdad's debts from the 8-year Iran-Iraq war.

Torricelli angrily charged that there were ''severe lapses of judgment. ... Any senior official of the State Department had a basic responsibility to issue an alarm. There is no senior official of the State Department who ultimately will escape responsibility. There is a judgment that is coming.

''It is too late, tragically, to do anything for them (the hostages) now. Those responsible should be held accountable.''

He said in the corridor afterwards there would be a ''political price to be paid for their poor judgment.''

Eni Faleomavaega, the congressional delegate from American Samoa, asked Tamposi for an accounting of Iraqi citizens in the United States.

He said afterwards that he wasn't suggesting a roundup of Iraqis, ''but we want to make sure they're here for a good reason'' and are not spies. ''We want to keep track of them.''

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#90268u1959 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - The dollar ended mostly higher Tuesday in New York, moving up against the West German mark but easing against the Japanese yen in a currency market dominated by mark-yen cross-trading.

The dollar was quoted at 1.5725 marks vs. 1.5590 Monday and at 136.75 yen vs.137.50.

Moving the market was a comment by a West German official at a meeting of the the International Monetary Fund that the yen should be stronger against the deutsche mark, said Francoise Soares-Kemp, Credit Suisse vice president.

''Presto. That was enough to get people going,'' Soares-Kemp said. ''That saw the market bid up the yen against the mark, and the dollar moved up against the mark.''

The dollar also found support in the market's perception of a deterioration in the Middle East situation, analysts said.

There was sentiment in the market that the United States is less vulnerable,

because it has its own oil supplies, than Japan and Europe would be if Persian Gulf oil fields and facilities are bombed, analysts said.

The market largely ignored the government's final report on the nation's second-quarter gross national product because the downward revision was not unexpected, analysts said.

The Commerce Department said GNP inched up only 0.4 percent in the second quarter. In its previous estimate, the government reported a 1.2 percent increase.

The British pound closed at $1.8680, down from $1.8810 Monday.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3075 Swiss francs, up from 1.2975; 5.2645 French francs, up from 5.22; and 1,176.50 Italian lire, up from 1,166.50.

In Europe, the dollar closed mixed against major currencies in directionless trading, as markets awaited fresh developments in the Persian Gulf, analysts said.

Dealers blamed the lackluster trading on a slowing in oil price rises and news of the Federal Reserve possibly intervening to buy dollars to prop up the U.S. unit, as well as the lack of any major developments in the Middle East crisis.

In London, the pound dropped against the dollar, closing at $1.8750 vs. $1.8825 Monday.

The dollar closed slightly higher in Frankfurt at 1.5625 marks vs. Monday's 1.5590 but was marginally lower in Zurich at 1.2975 Swiss francs vs. 1.3040.

The dollar slipped in Paris and Brussels, to 5.2200 French francs vs. 5.2340and 32.09 Belgian francs vs. 32.23, respectively. But the dollar closed higher in Milan at 1,167.25 Italian lire vs. 1,167.20 Monday.

In Tokyo, the dollar gained against the yen on market perceptions the Group of Seven leading industrial nations had endorsed a weaker U.S. unit.

The dollar closed at 136.70 yen against Friday's close of 137.33. Japanese markets were closed Monday for a national holiday.

Gold closed sharply higher at $405.50 an ounce from $392.50 in Zurich and was also higher in London at $404.25 an ounce from $396.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $402.50 an ounce vs. from $403 Monday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $404.40 an ounce, ahead from $403.

Gold buying was sparked by recent oil price increases, bullion traders said.

Silver was higher in both Zurich, at $4.90 an ounce from $4.85, and in London at $4.89 from $4.88 Monday.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.86 an ounce, off from $4.935. Comex silver ended trading at $4.834 an ounce, off from $4.915.

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#90268u1965 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Stocks closed sharply higher Tuesday in moderate trading but the rally was confined to the Dow industrials, which were boosted by bargain-hunting after Monday's plunge.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which sank 59.41 Monday to a 14- month low, jumped 32.67 to close at 2485.64.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 1.69 to 169.20 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index jumped 3.67 to 308.26. The price of an average share gained 29 cents.

Advances barely led declines 767-744 among the 1,977 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume was 155,940,000 shares, down from 162,210,000 traded Monday.

Analysts said that with the Dow industrials at their lowest levels since July 1989, investors saw an opportunity to snap up some bargains, and did so, but only in blue chip issues.

''They're the ones that have been battered over this last bit of sell-off,'' said Sidney Dorr, vice president of institutional equity trading at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco. ''So it was bargain hunting, but not with any incredible conviction.''

Dorr said investors seeking to commit money to the market now ''want to be exposed to any advance but want the most liquid situation,'' which would attract them to the blue chips, the large capitalization issues.

Earlier in the afternoon, some analysts attributed the advance to word that the House Appropriation Committee had approved a bill to delay the automatic Gramm-Rudman spending cuts and fund the government through Oct. 20. That, they said, fostered new hopes of an agreement and sent the Dow up sharply.

But just before the close, President Bush was quoted as saying he would veto any legislation to suspend the Gramm-Rudman deficit reduction law.

''I think they want to see things done this week,'' Dorr said.

Stocks opened higher Tuesday, but the early rally ran out of steam. By the

afternoon, however, the Dow industrials extended their advance once again but losing and gaining issues in the broad market were just about even.

The renewed advance in the Dow came as oil prices eased from Monday's surge. November oil futures closed down 72 cents at $37.53 a barrel.

Analysts were especially encouraged by the action Tuesday since many expected to see a further sell-off after Monday's tumble, especially with a lot of nervousness in the market over the events in the Mideast.

In that arena, oil prices backed off slightly after closing in on $40 a barrel Monday with the U.N. Security Council set to vote late Tuesday on a resolution which would tighten sanctions against Iraq with an air traffic embargo, further punishing Baghdad for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait during an oil and border dispute.

U.N. diplomats said the air embargo would almost certainly be approved because the five permanent members of the council - the Soviet Union, the United States, China, France and Britain - have agreed on the resolution.

On the trading floor, MCA was the most active issue, catapulting 19 1/2 to 54 after confirming it was holding acquisition talks, following a report that Japan's Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. may buy the entertainment giant for up to $7.5 billion.

Philip Morris followed, up 1 to 44 7/8. Paramount Communications was third, surging 3 3/8 to 34 7/8, apparently benefiting from the news of takeover talks in the entertainment industry.

Chase Manhattan was also active, rebounding 7/8 to 12 after its recent pounding tied to news of a massive restructuring.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T rose 1 to 31 3/4, IBM added 1 3/8 to 106 3/8, General Electric gained 1 1/8 to 55 5/8, Coca-Cola added 1 to 39 1/4, and Merck jumped 1 3/4 to 75 1/4. Elsewhere, Chrysler lost 1/4 to 10 1/8, a 52-week low, eclipsing the old mark of 10 1/4. Analysts were said to cut earnings estimates and reiterate negative ratings on the auto giant, saying that because of its industry position, it must undercut Ford and General Motors to compete.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 186,453,250 shares, compared with 194,231,810 shares traded Monday.

Prices were mixed in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index rose 0.33 to 313.17. Declines led advances 287-238 among the 782 issues traded. The price of an average share added 1 cent.

Composite volume was 14,807,100 shares vs. 15,968, 100 traded Monday.

B.A.T Industries led the Amex issues, down 1/16 to 9 5/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index eased 2.62 to 354.78.

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#90268u1993 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Tuesday was 428.63, up 1.06 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90268u1998 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - President Bush announced Tuesday the creation of a U.S.-led multinational group to coordinate and disburse financial resources to countries ''rocked'' by rising oil prices and tension in the Middle East.

Since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, and the subsequent military response and U.N. economic sanctions, oil prices have doubled and are now approaching $40 a barrel.

''Serious challenges have emerged for countries rocked by unpredictable tides in the flow of oil, trade, displaced workers and refugees,'' Bush said in an address during the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank.

Under the weight of rising oil prices, the world economy is forecast to slow this year after seven years of expansion.

''We are determined not to allow the brutal behavior of one aggressor to undermine the historic process of democratic change or to derail the movement towards market-oriented economic systems,'' Bush said.

Bush said the new Gulf Crisis Financial Coordination Group was created to achieve ''effective, timely and sustained financial support'' to the countries most affected by the crisis, including the front-line nations of Egypt, Turkey and Jordan.

The group will be chaired by Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady and members will include finance ministers and government officials from donor countries who will strive to ''transform commitments into concrete contributions,'' Bush said.

The White House said commitments of roughly $20 billion in economic assistance have been made since the invasion of Kuwait.

The coordinating group will include representatives from the United States, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Germany, the United Kingdom, Italy, France, Japan, Canada, the European Community and Korea.

The IMF and World Bank will provide the group with technical advice and analytical support.

Bush also said he supports the IMF quota increase and the strengthening of the IMF arrears policy. Although quotas and arrears have been debated by the bankers, the Persian Gulf crisis has dominated nearly a week of sessions leading to the IMF-World Bank annual meeting.

During a series of high-level meetings over the weekend and Monday, the powerful interim and development committees of the IMF and World Bank agreed to expedite efforts to provide financial assistance to countries hurt by rising oil prices.

''No one can predict how deep and lasting the effects of this crisis will be, but forceful measures now will forestall greater problems later,'' said World Bank President Barber Conable.

''Prompt actions by governments of affected countries and by the international community are necessary,'' he said.

Opening the annual meeting, George Saitoti, chairman of the board of governors for the international lending institutions, stressed that the institutions should not ''overreact'' to the oil crisis, but should give ''special attention'' to countries most severely affected, including some of the world's least developed nations and those of Eastern Europe.

''Common sense suggests that we should be prudent about extending such financing to countries that might experience difficulties in servicing such new debt,'' he said.

Michel Camdessus, IMF managing director, called for greater economic cooperation among nations.

''Our collective response to the present crisis will produce only short-lived benefits, however, unless it is accompanied by an unflinching resolve by members, particularly the major industrial countries, to maintain sound economic policies,'' he said.

Camdessus warned central banks against easing monetary policy to offset the adverse impact of rising oil prices, saying such a move ''would yield neither

an enduring reduction in interest rates nor a lasting improvement in employment.''

Instead, he urged the central banks to calm the world's jittery financial markets by sending ''clear and credible signals that the authorities are determined to reduce inflation.''

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UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 25) UPI - The U.N. Security Council ordered Tuesday an air traffic embargo on Iraq in retaliation for its invasion of Kuwait, allowing governments to ground aircraft or deny the overflight of their territories to planes suspected of carrying goods to the two gulf countries.

The new measure was aimed at tightening U.N. sanctions against Iraq, which has defied the world body for seven weeks. The resolution was approved on a 14 to 1 vote with Cuba voting against.

Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, declared the small emirate one of its provinces and rounded up at least 20,000 Westerners to serve as human shields in case the U.S.-led multinational force in the Persian Gulf attacks Iraqi targets.

The 15-nation council meeting was attended by 13 foreign ministers and two ambassadors. The ministers included Eduard Shevardnadze of the Soviet Union, who was presiding over the meeting, Secretary of State James Baker, Douglas Hurd of Britain, Roland Dumas of France, Joe Clark of Canada and Pertti Kullervo Paasio of Finland.

In the resolution, the council particularly reminded governments participating in the embargo to act in accordance with international law such as the 1944 Chicago Convention, which protects the safety of airline passengers.

The convention, updated with a protocol in May, 1984, forbids the use of force to intercept civilian airlines and protects lives on board and the safety of the aircraft.

The protocol was written after the downing of Korean Airline Flight 007 by a Soviet MiG jet fighter Sept. 1, 1983, which killed a total of 269 passengers and crew members over the northern Japan Sea.

The council said planes should be denied takeoff permission if they carry cargo to or from Iraq or occupied Kuwait other than medical supplies or food for humanitarian purposes, which are allowed by the council.

Governments should deny overfly of their territorial space to planes destined to land in Iraq or Kuwait, whatever their nationalities or registration,

unless they submitted themselves to inspection at airports designated by thosestates outside of Iraq or Kuwait.

The council allowed governments to detain the planes ''as long as necessary'' for the purpose of verifying whether there is any cargo onboard that violated the U.N. trade and arms embargo imposed on Iraq Aug. 6, four days after Iraqi troops occupied Kuwait.

The council permitted states to detain ships of Iraqi registry entering their ports and which have been used in violation of U.N. sanctions. States can deny entrance to their ports to those ships except under circumstances to safeguard human life.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - Saddam Hussein is steadily moving more troops into Kuwait and southern Iraq. The Pentagon says the number of Iraqi forces in the area has increased to 430-thousand, 70-thousand more than a week ago. Defense Department officials, however, concede that they have expanded the geographic area they are using in their Iraqi troop estimates. Two weeks ago, the Pentagon said there were 265-thousand Iraqi troops in Kuwait and southern Iraq. .

Also today, senior Pentagon officials reveal that there are between 500 and one-thousand Soviet military advisers and technicians in Iraq. The officials say many of the advisers are involved in maintenance on Soviet-built bombers and fighters. The figure differs significantly from the 150 to 160 military advisers mentioned recently by Soviet President Gorbachev and his foreign minister.

In Denver, a former executive of the Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan Association today questioned a 900-thousand-dollar credit line the failed thrift extended to a Denver developer who had ties to Neil Bush. Russell Murray, the bank's one-time chief lending officer, said the credit line may have been inappropriate. But he says he didn't know all the facts about the relationship between President Bush's 35-year-old son and the developer before acting on the request.

The Israeli army has resumed bulldozing homes in a Palestinian refugee camp in the occupied Gaza Strip, where a reserve soldier was burned to death last week. Six bulldozers destroyed 16 homes in the camp in one of the largest mass demolitions of Arab buildings since the start of the Palestinian uprising. Palestinian sources say the residents or owners of 38 shops and homes have received demolition orders.

A defiant European Community agriculture chief says he won't modify his proposal on farm subsidies, despite U-S warnings that world trade talks could

collapse. The proposal by Ray MacSharry for trade- liberalization talks in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade would cut farm supports by 30 percent over a 10-year period beginning in 1986. The United States will propose slashing subsidies by 70 percent over 10 years, beginning in 1991.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - The federally subsidized crop insurance program, schedule for a shutdown by the House, got a vote of confidence Tuesday when the Senate voted to fully fund the program for the coming year.

The future of the money-losing program has been in doubt since the start of the year when the Bush administration proposed its termination this fall. The replacement would be a stand-by program for disaster- relief paymments.

Farm-state congressmen prefer the idea of reforming crop insurance, which has swallowed an average annual subsidy of $500 million during the past decade, but have been unable to agree on how to do it.

The administration has said it will continue to operate the program as usual unless Congress either changes it or replaces it.

Senators voted to supply full funding to the Federal Crop Insurance Corp. as part of the $51.16 billion agriculture appropriations bill for fiscal 1991. The bill passed 79-19, setting up the need for a House- Senate conference committee to write a compromise version.

The appropriations bill approved by the Senate would remove the limit on spending under the Export Enhancement Program - the major U.S. export subsidy program - and the Targeted Export Assistance program. The House has voted for a $500 million limit on the EEP in fiscal 1991 and a $200 million lid on the TEA. The administration asked for $900 million for the EEP.

Each bill devotes more than half its spending to public feeding programs, such as food stamps, the Women, Infants and Children program, and school lunches. The Senate bill would allot $17.25 billion for food stamps, up $2.48 billion from this year, and $2.35 billion for WIC, up $224 million.

Overall, the Senate would spend $815 million more than the House, but still $1.5 billion less than the administration requested. Congress appropriated $45.2 billion for the Agriculture Department and related agencies for this fiscal year.

The House voted July 18 to give the FCIC only enough money in fiscal 1991 to cover policies sold by the end of fiscal 1990 - Sunday. Under that plan, no other policies would be sold until the program was reformed.

The Senate bill would give the FCIC a total of $325.8 million for the new year or $224 million more than the House allotted. It also earmarked $174 million more than the House to pay the cost of subsidizing the premiums paid by farmers who buy crop insurance.

As part of work on the new farm policy law, the Senate adopted a package that calls for more realistic insurance rates, offering coverage over a broader area and requiring private insurance companies to bear more of the risk on policies.

Despite recent upturns in enrollment, farmer participation has been lower than expected. The White House has argued the government cannot afford to offer crop insurance and the special disaster-relief programs enacted after widespread crop failures.

The Senate bill agrees with the House in trying to eliminate funding for agricultural trade missions. Congress appropriated $197,000 for that purpose this year.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Afffliated Fund 9.02 9.67

Anchor Fund Inv	13.97	14.82
Delaware Mutual	16.45	17.64
Fidelity Fund	16.08	16.08
Investors Mutual	10.39	10.94
Investors Stocks	17.49	18.41
Investors Select	8.18	8.61
IDS Equity Plus	8.63	9.08
Mass Inv Growth	7.79	8.40
Nicholas Fund	3.24	3.24
United Accumulated	6.11	6.68
United Income	15.98	17.46
Vanguard Wellington	15.56	15.56

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - In a roller coaster day of trading, U.S. crude oil prices dropped nearly $1 a barrel Tuesday and products fell more than 2 cents a gallon in what was seen as a technical correction to the prior day's sharp increases.

On the European spot market, where crude barrels are bought and sold for cash, North Sea Brent ended the day down 45 cents to $39.95 a barrel after trading at midday at $40.70 a barrel.

Brent had ended Monday at $40.40 a barrel, the first time in a decade that crude had traded on any world market over $40 a barrel.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery fell 72 cents below Monday's close to $37.53 a barrel after trading as high as $38.90 a barrel.

The Merc, the world's largest exchange for oil future delivery contracts, opened down 95 cents from Monday's $38.25 close.

It then rallied around midday when Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze in a U.N. speech denounced Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and warned that war could break out ''any day any moment.'' Prices then fell toward the Merc's close.

''There was a general feeling that the market needed more of a correction,'' said Ed Kevelson of Dean Witter Reynolds' International Energy Futures Group in New York.

The U.N. Security Council was scheduled to vote late Tuesday on whether to expand to air cargos the Aug. 6 U.N. embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports. It was expected to approve expansion.

''If they don't vote to expand, I think you'll see (WTI) $35 a barrel tomorrow. If they do, I think you'll see $40 a barrel,'' Kevelson said.

The Pentagon estimated that Iraq was losing about $100 million a day in oil revenue and said the U.N. embargo on shipping had ''proven very effective.''

It also said Iraqi military forces in Kuwait and southern Iraq had increased by about a third in the past week to 430,000 troops.

Tom Bentz, director of trading at United Energy Inc. in New York, noted there also was some ''catching up'' on the Merc by the so-called ''back-month'' December, January, etc. delivery contracts, which were held to the Merc's $1.50 increase limit Monday.

The WTI December and January delivery contracts Tuesday rose $1.25 and $1.10 a barrel respectively.

Bentz said downward movement of the November crude price also was helped by pressure from heating oil and unleaded gasoline.

On the Merc, unleaded gasoline for October delivery ended the day down 2.18 cents to $1.0205 a gallon after trading as high as $1.045 a gallon earlier.

October home heating oil fell 2.72 cents to $1.012 a gallon, nearly 4 cents

lower that its $1.05 a gallon high for the day.

As with WTI crude, the back month delivery contracts rose considerably - ''catching up'' for being limited by exchange rules to increases of 4 cents a gallon Monday when the spot-month October contracts shot up almost 7 cents a gallon.

Traders were expecting the weekly American Petroleum Institute inventory survey to show that heating oil stocks rose 1-3 million barrels last week and those of unleaded gasoline 500,000 to 1.5 million barrels, Bentz said.

Released after the Merc closed, the API reported heating oil supplies actually rose 2.1 million barrels to 136.5 million barrels, while inventories of gasoline jumped 5.3 million barrels to 222.3 million barrels.

Whether or not the API statistics have any effect on Wednesday's market depends on what happens in the Persian Gulf crisis, whose events have been ruling world oil markets since the Iraqi invasion.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light, the key Middle East crude shipped mainly to the Far East, lost 45 cents to $33.40 a barrel on the European spot market.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt delivery WTI dropped 80 cents to $38.25 a barrel.

Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp., lowered its posted price paid for crude oil at the wellhead by 75 cents to $36.25 a barrel for WTI.

Antonio Cardoso e Cunha, energy commissioner of the European Economic Community in Brussels, said the recent sharp increases in oil prices were the ''totally unjustified and indefensible'' result of speculation at the consumers' expense.

He warned industry that its ''futures relationships with governments'' could be threatened by recent practices.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Elders IXL Ltd				

Stock Split
Amer Brands Inc - 2-for-1

Special

ICN Biomedicals	..	.03 1/2	11-1	10-16

Reduced

Old Stone Corp	Q	.20	11-5	10-15

Distribution

LL&E Royal Trust	M	.0358	10-15	10-5

Usual

ACM Govt Spectrum FI	..	.0845	10-19	10-5
American Express	Q	.23	11-9	10-5
Amer President Cos Ltd	Q	.15	11-30	11-15
Ameron Inc	Q	.32	11-20	10-25
Atlanfed Bancorp Inc	Q	.10	10-15	9-30
Bell Atlantic	Q	.59	11-1	10-10
Bell Industries Inc	Q	.10	11-15	10-25
Blair Corp	..	.15	11-1	10-12
Centerior Energy Corp	Q	.40	11-15	10-19
Cumberland Fedl Bncp	Q	.12	11-1	10-9
Flexible Bond Trust	M	.07 1/2	10-19	10-5
Hydraulic Co	Q	.40	10-30	10-11
ICN Biomedicals	Q	.03 1/2	11-1	10-16
Kaman Corp	Q	.11	10-22	10-8
Montana Power Co	Q	.35 1/2	10-31	10-10
Morrison Inc	Q	.16	10-31	10-12
Oshkosh Truck Corp A	Q	.1087	11-15	10-15
Oshkosh Truck Corp B	Q	.12 1/2	11-15	10-15
Penobscot Shoe Co	Q	.05	12-14	11-23
PHH Corp	Q	.30	10-31	10-6
Public Svc Co Colo	Q	.50	11-1	10-12
Signet Banking Corp	Q	.39	10-25	10-5

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - An early-autumn cold snap chilled 20 Southern cities with record low temperatures Tuesday, while a Western warmup brought Indian summer the Plains.

Early morning lows dipped into the 40s and 50s in seven Southern states, and the mercury dropped into the 30s in a few areas, the National Weather Service said.

Record lows were set in Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, South Carolina and North Carolina.

Lewisburg, W.Va. recorded the nation's low temperature, 31 degrees, but the reading did not break a record.

Temperatures in the 70s and 80s were common across the Plains, climbing to the 90s in some places.

Concordia, Kan., basked in record 93-degree warmth, and record highs also were reached in Nebraska, Wyoming and North Dakota.

Elsewhere, flood waters receded in southwest Texas as clear skies and cool temperatures covered the region where roads had been closed Monday following weekend storms.

Rainshowers and occasional thunderstorms reached from southwest Oregon across northern California. Rain also fell from central Louisiana into Mississippi and along the southwest and east central coasts of Florida. Showers were scattered over western New York and lower Michigan.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois said Tuesday the Bush administration is ''exploring some options that border on'' dropping its long-standing insistence on a cut in the capital gains tax.

Such a move could be the key to breaking a months-long impasse at White House and congressional budget talks that began May 15.

It could also clear the way for passage of a budget plan that would prevent the imposition of steep, automatic spending cuts of up to $105.7 billion on Oct. 1 under the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law.

Talking to reporters before he entered the latest round of negotiations Tuesday evening, Michel said he feels ''the price is too steep'' for inclusion of a capital gains tax cut plan in the $500 billion, five-year deficit reduction plan negotiators hope to achieve.

''There will be a price to be paid if you want to continue to insist on it (capital gains) and, in my opinion, the doggone price is too steep,'' Michel said.

He said that ''I still take my lead from the administration'' on the divisive issue that has helped produce an impasse at the talks. But he appeared tired of continuing to fight the capital gains battle.

Michel said the price for capital gains is too high both in terms of Democratic demands that any capital gains reduction be accompanied by an income tax rate increase on the wealthy and in terms of the public relations beating the GOP has taken in recent weeks for pushing a tax break seen as helping the rich.

''It's a combination,'' Michel said when asked what the steep price was.

Asked if the administration might drop its call to include a capital gains cut in the budget package, Michel said, ''We're not in that position yet.''

But, he said, ''They're exploring some options that border on it.''

And he said he believes the administration is prepared to back off ''from the original position'' for a large capital gains cut.

He said a budget agreement ''really could'' be made late Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning.

Asked whether the administration was prepared to drop capital gains, budget director Richard Darman told reporters, ''That's not really the fundamental issue at the moment.''

''The problem that we've been working on the last several days is seeing if there can be an agreement to cut enough spending in this overall package,'' Darman said.

Earlier, at the White House, President Bush vowed to veto any temporary spending bill that delays until Oct. 20 imposition of severe Gramm-Rudman law spending cuts.

Bush's comments came after the House Appropriations Committee, on a mostly party-line vote, approved a temporary spending bill that provides money to keep the government operating at current levels until Oct. 20.

Bush's signature on a temporary spending bill - called a continuing resolution - would be needed before Oct. 1 because Congress has not yet passed and sent to Bush any of the 13 appropriations bills needed to fund government spending for the 1991 fiscal year that begins on Monday.

What really angered Bush about the Appropriations Committee vote was that the panel's also included a provision suspending until Oct. 20 the Gramm-Rudman cuts.

''I will veto any continuing resolution that suspends Gramm-Rudman and budget discipline and thereby destroys our best chance of bringing this deficit under control once and for all,'' Bush told reporters on the south lawn.

At about the same time Bush was speaking, the House Rules Committee cleared the way for the controversial spending measure to come to the House floor either Wednesday or later in the week.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - In Washington today, Iraq's ambassador delivered Saddam Hussein's videotaped response to President Bush's televised message to the Iraqi people last week. Major television networks say they will screen the tape and broadcast excerpts of it. The tape's arrival came as the U-N Security Council adopted a resolution calling for an air traffic embargo on Iraq.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze today called on Iraq's Saddam Hussein to listen to reason and get out of Kuwait. In a speech to the U-N General Assembly, Shevardnadze said the Iraqi military occupation of Kuwait was an ''act of terrorism.'' He said unless something is done, ''civilization will be thrown back by half a century.''

The president of Turkey was at the White House today for talks with President Bush. An administration official says President Turgut Ozal told Bush that Iraq's military might has been ''somewhat exaggerated,'' but warned it will be tough for Baghdad to back down. Bush, backed by the United Nations, has demanded Iraq's unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait.

Soviet President Gorbachev today called Russian writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn ''a great man,'' but said his ideas are destructive and that he ''belongs to the past.'' Writing last week from abroad for two Soviet newspapers... Solzhenitsyn said the Soviet Union should divest itself and consist of only three Slavic republics. Gorbachev said those views ''are far away from reality.''

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#90268u2165 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - South African President F-W de Klerk says apartheid is NO longer an issue in his country. In a speech to the National Press Club in Washington, de Klerk says apartheid is ''only kept alive by those who now have a vested interest in keeping it alive.'' And he vowed that the racial reforms under way in South Africa will eliminate the rationale for U-S economic sanctions.

The Senate today ratified two nuclear test-ban limits signed with the Soviet Union in the mid 1970's. The United States and the Soviet Union have been observing the treaties. But senators opposed the treaties until protocols signed in June allowed on-site verification. The two treaties limit underground nuclear tests to 150 kilotons.

Scientists say that after a rough start... the Magellan probe is giving a ''revolutionary'' view of Venus. Project workers UNveiled a brief but dramatic movie made with Magellan data simulating a 12-mile- high flight above the tortured terrain. Photos show numerous volcanic craters, Los Angeles-sized impact craters, and large regions of cracked land covered in places by lava.

Residents in and around Savannah, Goergia, plan to send a batch of brownies to the U-S troops in Saudi Arabia... 120-thousand brownies, to be exact. More than one-thousand locals will gather in 30 kitchens around Chatham County for Bake Day next month. The brownies will then be flown to the 24th Infantry Mechanized Division's 18-thousand troops. The recipe includes plenty of eggs and chocolate... but is designed to withstand desert conditions.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Gov. Michael S. Dukakis announced another $310 million in state spending cuts Tuesday that will include elimination of entire human service programs in order to preserve the state's credit rating, already the nation's worst.

Dukakis said the new reductions - which are in addition to $419 million in cuts ordered previously this fiscal year - are necessary for the state to cope with still-declining revenues and to clear the way for a massive bond sale within the next 10 days to cover last year's budget deficit.

In the last year, the state has cut more than $1 billion in spending and eliminated more than 9,000 jobs. The new round of cuts will reduce the state budget to $13.39 billion for the fiscal year that began July 1.

''We understand perhaps better than any other state in the country, that if we're going to preserve our credit rating so that we can continue to have access to the financial markets, that we have got to be ahead of this problem and not behind it,'' said Dukakis, the 1988 Democratic presidential nominee.

Dukakis blamed the state's continuing fiscal woes on eroding consumer confidence in the economy, a deteriorating national economy and the Persian Gulf crisis, which has driven the price of crude oil to near record levels on the world market.

The announcement came as the Wall Street bond rating firm of Standard and Poors issued a bulletin reaffirming the state's BBB rating, the lowest state bond rating in the nation.

State Administration and Finance Secretary L. Edward Lashman said the state initially planned to sell $1.3 billion in bonds in two rounds this fiscal year to cover its debts, but he said the administration is now considering selling

the entire amount in the next 10 days.

Dukakis said he ''hoped'' that this was the last round of cuts he would have to make, but said the economy was so unstable he could not rule out further reductions.

House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Richard Voke agreed. ''This could get a lot worse,'' he said.

Among the ordered cuts are:

-Elimination of the entire remaining $2.4 million for the state contribution for the federal program that helps poor people pay for home heating oil.

-Elimination of $2.3 million for support services for residents of housing projects.

-Elimination of General Relief and medical benefits for those over 45 years old who have no work history for an $10.5 million savings.

-Extending the waiting period for disability applicants from 30 to 60 days for a savings of $11.9 million.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 25) UPI - Passengers on board Eastern Airlines jets will soon be able to reach out and touch someone from any row on the plane, under an agreement announced Tuesday by the struggling carrier and GTE Airfone.

GTE Airfone of Oak Brook, Ill., will install telephones in each seat row aboard Eastern's fleet of 150 or so jetliners, the companies said.

Eastern said first-class fliers will each have their own phone. In coach, travelers will have to share one phone per row.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Eastern, which hopes to woo business travelers to fuel its ascent out of Chapter 11 bankruptcy, said in-flight telephones have become increasingly popular among fliers, especially business people.

The airline, which filed for bankruptcy in March 1989, recently said it will double the number of first-class seats available on its flights, and offer those seats at coach rates, in an effort to attract business travelers.

Eastern had said it would offer individual phones as a part of that service.

GTE Airfone, which began installing phones this month, said the installation should be complete by the middle of next year.

The telephones, which are mounted in the back of an airline seat, can be activated with most credit cards, or an AT&T calling card. The rates for domestic calls is $2 per minute, plus an initial $2 fee.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 25) UPI - The chairman of the American Stock Exchange said Tuesday he sees the formation during the 1990s of a world market in which the stock of 200 to 500 companies will be traded throughout the world, 24 hours a day.

''The 1990s will be the decade of global markets,'' James Jones said during the Midwest Investors Relations Conference. ''That's the thinking that guides our strategic planning at the American Stock Exchange. As I see it, the securities world is heading toward a three-tier market.''

Jones said the first tier would be the 200 to 500 companies widely known and involved throughout the world.

The second tier, he said, would be made up of companies that may not be as well known in every market, but who are heavily involved in exports and joint ventures in other countries.

''Helping them meet this goal,'' Jones said, ''will be stock markets around the world that are linked through joint ventures or perhaps even closer ties.''

He sees the third tier being made up of smaller companies trading primarily in one national market.

''As this global scenario unfolds, the most compelling development that holds our attention is what's happening in western Europe as it moves toward economic unity in 1992,'' Jones said. ''What you have there are 12 different trading systems and legal structures trying to mesh with one another.

''The manner in which that evolves will have a major impact on relations with other trading partners, such as the United States and Japan.''

The American Stock Exchange last week announced an agreement with the government of Hawaii to explore trading in Hawaii.

''We see it as an opportunity to get more involved in the Pacific Rim,'' Jones said. ''It may also offer opportunities to trade during those hours when other major markets around the world are closed.

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#90268u2234 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Attorneys for Michael Milken, awaiting sentencing on six felony charges, Tuesday asked a federal judge to sentence the former junk bond king to probation and community service.

Milken could fulfill a community service obligation by working full time in drug and crime prevention programs at the Los Angeles Police Department, his defense attorney, Arthur Liman, proposed in a sentencing memorandum submitted to U.S. District Court Judge Kimba Wood.

Milken, former head of the high-risk, high-yield bond department at Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., pleaded guilty in April to six felony charges, including conspiracy and mail fraud.

By pleading guilty to the six felonies, he avoided the most serious charges of racketeering in the 98-count indictment, filed in 1989.

Milken, 44, is scheduled to be sentenced Oct. 1. He faces a maximum possible sentence of 28 years in prison.

As part of the plea agreement, he already has agreed to pay $600 million in fines and penalties and to cooperate with the government after his sentencing.

Prosecutors had been expected to unseal their pre-sentencing report in the case but, in late afternoon, they said the report would not be released until possibly Wednesday.

However, Milken's attorney released a response to the government report which provided indications of its contents.

The prosecutors' report accuses Milken of insider trading violations, but contains no evidence of his trading on non-public information, the attorney wrote.

The government report also said its faith in Milken's cooperation ''has waned'' and that the value of his cooperation with the government's investigation ''has been diminished by the passage of time, '' Milken's attorney wrote.

The government also referred to Milken as ''unapologetic,'' Liman wrote.

Prosecutors are seeking to have Milken punished for crimes he did not commit, Liman argued.

''If the government had wanted Mr. Milken sentenced for other crimes, it should not have entered into the plea agreement which it did,'' Milken's

attorney wrote.

In arguing for leniency, his attorney wrote that Milken ''is a changed person.''

''He will be tormented for the remainder of his life by the realization that his family was devastated, his reputation destroyed and his life's work tainted by virture of his having committed these acts,'' the memorandum said.

''Michael recognizes that he has made serious mistakes in his life,'' the memorandum said. ''All that he requests is that he be allowed to begin the process of making amends and repaying his acknowledged debt to society by community service, rather than by incarceration which provides no opportunity for societal benefit.''

Also under terms of his plea bargain, Milken, who pioneered the use of so-called junk bonds to finance corporate takeovers in the 1980s, is barred for life from the securities industry.

In the memorandum on Milken's behalf, his attorney also argued that Milken's case has served as a deterrent and has ''had a profound impact on the way that business is conducted on Wall Street.''

''Everyone in the securities business is now on his or her guard,'' the memorandum said.

The memorandum also quoted extensively from letters of support for Milken, ranging from his seventh-grade history teacher to Laurence Tisch, head of CBS.

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LONDON (SEPT. 25) UPI - George Foreman moved closer to another world title shot Tuesday night, knocking out journeyman Terry Anderson in the first round at the London Arena.

Foreman, former heavyweight champion, recorded his 69th win in 71 fights, stopping his fellow American with a right hand with seconds to go in the round. The punch did not appear to be particularly devastating, but it was too much for Anderson, who failed to answer the count.

''The guy walked into a straight right hand and my knuckles are still sore,'' said Foreman. ''He punched hard, he jabbed hard and he caught me in the stomach - but I didn't let on I was hurt.''

It was the 24th win in as many fights for Foreman since he made a comeback after 13 years in retirement. Anderson is 19-4.

Foreman, 42, is aiming for another shot at the world heavyweight title he won in 1973. He lost it in 1974 to Muhammad Ali in the ''Rumble in the Jungle'' in Zaire.

Foreman's wish is to meet the winner of the upcoming bout between reigning world heavyweight champion James ''Buster'' Douglas and fellow American Evander Holyfield.

''If Evander Holyfield wins we have a verbal agreement I'll be his first defense,'' said Foreman.

If Douglas wins, he must make a mandatory defense, and it is unlikely Foreman would surpass Mike Tyson as the top-ranked challenger. Douglas has promised Tyson a rematch under terms of a settlement with Tyson's advisor, Don King.

Foreman weighed in for the fight at 259 pounds. Anderson missed the midday scheduled weigh-in, but later tipped the scales at 237.

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(SEPT. 25) UPI - The surgeon general today proposed the one most important step that smokers can take to improve their life span- quit smoking. Surgeon General Antonia Novello says smokers who stop before age 50 can cut their risk of dying in half in the next 15 years. Novello also says pregnant mothers can eliminate the most important modifiable cause of birth problems by kicking the habit.

Violence erupted in New Delhi today following the death of a student who set himself ablaze to protest a controversial federal job quota program. Police say students rampaged through the southern part of the capital... torching dozens of vehicles and hurling stones at officers. The Press Trust of India says police opened fire on a mob trying to torch a bus and police cars, killing at least one man.

New York police said today two Canadian tourists who helped an elderly lady cross a Brooklyn street were attacked by youths who mistook the Good Samaritans for muggers. The tourists were helping the woman to her feet after she fell when they were surrounded by 10 to 12 teen-agers armed with pipes and baseball bats. The Canadians got away by car and were treated for cuts and bruises. Area merchants later gave the pair 100 dollars to replace their smashed car windows.

Under-age drinking and rowdiness outside the Yale Bowl has led officials in New Haven, Connecticut, to ban beer bashes and tailgate parties at the annual football game between Yale and the University of Connecticut. Despite the state's legal drinking age of 21, police say students commonly drink at fraternity tent parties in the parking lot outside the stadium. An anti-drunk

driving group hailed the decision to ban the parties before a tragedy occurs.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 25) UPI - The collapse of three facades on a century-old building that killed three people last week was caused by rotted wooden fasteners that the building's owners knew were unsafe, a city inspector said Tuesday.

Don Kligerman, head of the city's Department of Licenses and Inspections, said the owners of the historic building just blocks from Independence Hall knew the three facades were structurally unsound as recently as July but did not reveal that fact until three days after the Sept. 18 tragedy.

Three tourists were killed in the incident, including a woman from Spain who was on her honeymoon. Ten others were injured.

Kligerman said no charges were filed against the building's owner, Pennsylvania Manufacturers Corp., but added the matter has been referred to the city solicitor and the district attorney.

Kligerman said the building was unique because of the wooden anchors used to hold the facade in place.

He said the wooden anchors were installed when the facades were erected in 1945. Steel was not used to secure the facades because the metal was in short supply immediately following World War II, Kligerman said.

The building was constructed as a seven-story structure in 1890 and underwent two restructurings. The last restructuring was completed in the 1930s and brought the building down to a one-story structure.

In his 15-page report released Tuesday, Kligerman noted that Pennsylvania Manufacturers officials have said they were planning to take measures to repair the facades.

PMC spokesman James Campolongo said Tuesday the company was apprised of the need for repairs following an inspection by an engineering firm on Aug. 24. A day before the collapse, Campolongo said, contractors were at the site to make an assessment of needed repairs in order to submit a bid for the job.

''The owner (PMC) was never told, nor did the professional engineer and contractors ever believe that the facade presented any immediate danger to the public,'' Campolongo said.

Kligerman disagreed with Campolongo and said that if precautions had been taken, such as blocking off the sidewalk, ''the tragedy could have been

averted.''

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 25) UPI - A state Court of Appeal refused Tuesday to lower the $5 million bail set for Charles H. Keating Jr., the former Lincoln Savings & Loan chief accused of defrauding elderly investors out of more than $250 million in the sale of worthless junk bonds.

A three-judge panel of the 2nd District Court of Appeal gave no reason for turning down the petition.

The denial came on Keating's seventh day in County Jail on the $5 million bail. Keating, 66, the former operator of the failed Lincoln S&L in Irvine, Calif., says he is destitute and cannot post such a high bail.

His attorneys were not immediately available for comment, but were expected to appeal the decision to the California Supreme Court.

District Attorney Ira Reiner praised the ruling.

''We feel that the $5 million bail was the appropriate bail and we're glad that the court of appeal upheld it,'' Reiner said.

In their petition to the appellate court - technically a writ of habeas corpus - Keating's attorneys argued their client was being held under an excessive bail that violates provisions of the state and U.S. Constitutions.

''It (the bail) bears no relation to ensuring Keating's appearance at future proceedings,'' the appeal states. ''It is 50 times higher than bail set for other defendants faced with identical charges.''

Keating's lawyer, Stephen C. Neal, said his client's six children would provide most of the security for a reduced bail and that he would never flee and leave them with the debt.

''There is no risk of flight in this case,'' Neal said.

Superior Court Judge Gary Klausner set the $5 million bail last Tuesday, saying that Keating's legal troubles made him a candidate to flee prosecution.

A special grand jury indictment accuses Keating and three associates of 42 state securites fraud charges.

The four defendants are accused of bilking 23,000 investors, mostly elderly people, out of $250 million in the sale of now-worthless uninsured junk bonds.

The charges accuse the four of scheming to sell the junk bonds issued by Lincoln's parent company, American Continental Corp., without telling investors the bonds were high-risk and uninsured. Authorities say many of the victims lost their life savings.

The three co-defendants are Judy J. Wischer, 42, former president of American Continental, Robin S. Symes, 37, former Lincoln chief executive officer, and Ray C. Fidel, former Lincoln president.

Klausner initially bail for them at $1 million apiece.

In a bid to lower Keating's bail, Neal argued that Keating, who just three years ago estimated his wealth at nearly $40 million, is now $5.2 million in debt.

But on Friday, following a two-day bail reduction hearing, the judge refused to lower Keating's bail.

However, the judge lowered Wischer's bail to $200,000 and bail for Symes and Fidel to $100,000 apiece. The three posted their bails Friday evening and early Saturday and were released.

The four defendants are scheduled to return to court Oct. 5 to enter pleas. If convicted, they could be sentenced to 10 years in state prison.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - The U.S. commodities-trading watchdog agency Tuesday charged three traders on New York's Commodity Exchange with cheating and defrauding customers and said more charges were coming as part of an investigation.

The Commodity Futures Trading Commission in Washington alleged that Stanley B. Bell & Co., and the New York brokerage's Craig Bell of Muttontown, N.Y. with anti-competitive trading practices.

''The essence of the allegations is that Bell cheated and defrauded customers '' said Dennis Klejna, commission director of enforcement.

Mark Dickstein and George J. Fox, Jr., both of New York City, are charged with aiding and abetting the brokerage in its fraudulent practices, he said.

The charges were filed with a commission administrative law judge by his enforcement division, Klejna said. Any finding by the judge can be appealed to the commission and then to a Federal Court of Appeals.

The allegations are the latest growing out of a commisison civil and criminal

investigation into fraudulent trading practices at the Comex and other New York commodity trading exchanges.

''We would expect that there will be additional enforcement actions as a result of that investigation,'' Klejna said.

In a separate action, Shearson Lehman Hutton Brothers agreed to pay the commission $220,000 in settlement of allegations the firm violated regulations in trading frozen orange futures.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 25) UPI - Moody's Investor Service said Tuesday it downgraded ratings on Chase Manhattan Corp.'s long-term debt and commercial paper and on selected ratings of the troubled bank holding company's subsidiaries.

The latests in a series of downgrades ordered by debt-rating agencies came after Chase announced plans last week to lay off 5,000 employees, take a $625 million third-quarter loss and cut the company's quarterly dividend to 30 cents a share from 62 cents.

Chase, the No. 2 bank holding company in the U.S. after Citicorp, is the parent of Chase Manhattan Bank.

Moody's, which lowered ratings on about $8.4 billion of long-term debt Tuesday said the company's drastic steps to shore up its financial position were ''motivated by the continuing growth in Chase's nonperforming real estate assets.''

Chase ratings downgraded by Moody's were: senior debt, to Baa3 from Baa2; subordinated debt, to Ba2 from Baa3; preferred stock, to Ba2 from Baa3; and commercial paper, to Prime-3 from Prime-2.

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#90268u2337 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 25) UPI - A convicted drug dealer Tuesday became the city's first woman to receive a life prison sentence under tough new federal drug legislation.

Myrna Suren, 42, wept and screamed for several minutes after the sentence was announced by U.S. District Judge Herbert J. Hutton.

Suren was convicted last year of running a drug ring, which she took over from her slain son, Luis Antonio ''Sexo'' Ortiz.

Ortiz headed the drug ring, known as the Gray Tape Organization, until he was

killed in 1988.

Prosecutors said the organization distributed as much as 50 kilograms (110 pounds) of cocaine a year, using juveniles to sell the drug. Sales often took place within close range of schoolyards, prosecutors said.

Suren was convicted based on testimony by another son, Moses ''Flash'' Suren, who agreed to cooperate with authorities to avoid a long prison term.

The Grey Tape Organization was one of several drug gangs in north Philadelphia that operated a widespread distribution network known as the O.K. Corral.

The Surens were among 35 members of the Gray Tape gang arrested last year in a drug sting operation.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussien, in a videotaped message broadcast Tuesday to the American people, said he wants peace in the Middle East but warned the United States risks another Vietnam if it attempts to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

The Iraqi leader, dressed in a business suit, gave a rambling 76 minute lecture on war, peace, Middle East history and politics. The broadcast was accompanied by English subtitles provided by the Iraqi government.

He cited historical claims by Iraq over Kuwait and maintained that many in Kuwait welcomed the Aug. 2 invasion and annexation by Iraq, which he compared to the unification of East and West Germany.

U.S. officials had no immediate comment on the address.

Saddam, reading a script in measured tones, made the tape in response to a videotaped message President Bush made to Iraq that was broadcast on Iraqi TV Sept. 16.

Excerpts of Saddam's speech were shown on all four networks, and CNN said it would broadcast the entire speech at 1 a.m. EDT.

While often criticizing U.S. policy on the Middle East, Saddam at other times sounded a conciliatory note, calling for negotiations that will ensure a lasting peace in the region.

''Let us then resort to dialogue rather than arms as the road to a common understaning ... and an acceptable solution,'' he said.

However, Saddam said that if an international organization like the United

Nations is called upon to negotiate a settlement to the Middle East crisis, ''all issues'' should be considered, including the Palestinian uprising in Israeli-occupied territory.

''This is the serious way to reach a comprehensive and lasing solution to all the problems of the crisis in the reigon,'' he said. At another point, he said ''we threaten no one.''

Israel was a frequent target of harsh words by Saddam, which he said was an example of how the United States uses a double standard on Middle East issues. When the Israelis annexed land in the Middle East, Saddam said, ''no measures were taken against Israel.''

Israel annexed East Jerusalem immediately after the 1967 war and later annexed the Golan Heights of Syria. Neither annexation is recognized by the United States.

He charged that Israel's lobby in the United States is so powerful that it influences elections and therefore controls U.S. Middle East policy.

Saddam used the opportunity to speak directly to Americans and to bring up two unpleasant episodes in recent U.S. history - the Iran- Contra scandal and the Vietnam War.

The Iraqi leader warned President Bush that he risks ''repeating the Vietnam experience'' if he attacks Iraq, saying it would result in ''bigger sacrifices'' and a greater loss of life.

At another point, Saddam pointed out that ''President Reagan apologized to us'' for the Iran-Contra affair, in which the United States secretly sold arms to Iran and funneled the profits to the Nicaraguan Contra rebels at a time when such aid was banned by Congress. Iran in the middle of a bloody war with Iraq at the time.

''We have accepted his apology,'' Saddam said.

The Iraqi leader criticized the U.N.-sanctioned land and sea blockade of his country, and the proposed air blockade, which was adopted by the United Nations Tuesday.

''Thousands of children in Iraq will die because of malnutrition because of lack of milk,'' he said. Regarding the air blockade, he said: ''Have you ever heard of measures more boorish, more inhumane than these measures?''

To Bush's videotaped assertion that the majority of Arabs are behind the U.S. effort to contain Iraqi aggression, Saddam, seated with an Iraqi flag in the background, called for a working group composed of members of Congress and Iraqi lawmakers to investigate the claim.

The three broadcast networks ran excerpts of Hussein's tape as part of their Persian Gulf coverage, and said they would provide it to affiliates to use as they wish.

''We're treating it as a regular news story and we'll give it regular news coverage,'' said CBS's Catherine Upin.

''We feel we've given him (Hussein) a lot of coverage,'' she said. ''This is not state-run television. For Iraqis, Bush's tape was the first time they heard the American position.''

CBS recieved the tape from the State Department early Tuesday afternoon, and as the pool distributor, fed it to other news organizations at 3:30 p.m., Upin said.

NBC's Jane Sokol said there was not much news contained in Hussein's latest broadside. ''It's a least a week old,'' she said.

ABC's Scott Richardson said in New York that excerpts from the tape were shown but that no special reports were planned based on Hussein's response.

CNN showed lengthy excerpts from the tape on its 6 p.m. EDT ''The World Today'' program, and announced it would show the message in its entirety at 1 a.m.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 25) UPI - Tropical Storm Josephine began to weaken Tuesday as it drifted west across the Atlantic Ocean and was expected to lose its tropical storm characteristics by Wednesday.

At 6 p.m. EDT, Josephine was centered near latitude 20.3 north, longitude 36.5 west, or about 760 miles west-northwest of Cape Verde Islands, the National Hurricane Center said.

The storm was moving west at 10 mph, and was expected to continue in that direction until Wednesday. Maximum sustained winds were 40 mph, but forecasters predicted Josephine would gradually weaken into a tropical depression. Tropical storm-force winds extended 145 miles to the north and 60 miles to the south of the center.

Josephine is the 10th named storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30. It grew from a tropical depression, No. 12, that forecasters had been monitoring since late last week.

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HONOLULU (SEPT. 25) UPI - Aloha Island Air said Tuesday it has made all changes recommended by the National Transportation Safety Board, which blamed the pilot, airline, and FAA for a crash last October that killed 20 people.

The NTSB report, released Tuesday in Washington, said the probable cause of the accident was ''the decision of the captain to continue flight under visual flight rules at night into instrument meterological conditions which obscused rising mountainous terrain.''

The pilots, flying too low and without instruments in unexpected poor weather, thought they were following the Molokai shoreline - when in fact they were heading into Halawa Valley on the eastern tip of the island, the report said.

The twin-engine de-Havilland Dash-6 crashed into a cliff in Halawa Valley Oct. 28, 1989, killing the pilot, co-pilot, and 18 passengers - including eight members of the Molokai High School volleyball teams.

The board also faulted the airline for ''inadequate supervision of personnel, training, and operations'' and insufficient oversight by the Federal Aviation Administration.

Aloha IslandAir over the weekend released its own report of the accident, also blaming pilot error. It said the flight crew ''misjudged their position while attempting to maintain (visual) flight in the presence of unfavorable weather conditions rather than choosing to fly using instrument(s).''

Aloha IslandAir President James Williamson said the company investigation did not turn up supervisory or procedural deficiencies that contributed to the accident.

But, he said the airline has undergone a complete review of all its operational systems and procedures and ''several significant changes'' have been made including all of the board's recommendations.

The board said the plane descended to 500 feet during the flight, which officials said did not comply with the minimum altitude allowed for night operations within 5 miles of land.

Investigators said Capt. Bruce Pollard was probably fatigued and ''had a record of performance difficulties before joining Alohas IslandAir'' and continued to have such difficulties at the airline.

In addition, the first officer's ground school training did not comply with FAA-approved curricula, thereby disqualifying him to serve as first officer of the flight.

The board said the airline's operations were oriented toward visual flight rules, which fostered the erosion of pilot instrument skills and discouraged pilots from operating on instruments.

The safety board recommended that Aloha IslandAir change its flight schedules, operations, and flight crew duties to accomodate operations under instrument flight rules.

The airline should also do background checks of pilot applicants to verify their flight records and look into their training as well as disciplinary and safety records.

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#90268u2431 09/25/1990 ~United Press International
COLUMBIA, SC (SEPT. 25) UPI - The Southeastern Conference added its second school in nearly two months Tuesday night when the University of South Carolina accepted an invitation to become the league's 12th member.

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#90268u2473 09/25/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 25) UPI - NO immediate comment from U-S officials on a rambling 76-minute videotaped message to the American people from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Saddam made the tape in response to a videotaped message President Bush made to Iraq that was aired on Iraqi television last week. .

Saddam cited Iraq's historical claims over Kuwait and compared its annexation to the unification of East and West Germany. Despite criticizing U-S policy on the Middle East, Saddam also sounded a conciliatory note... calling for negotiations that will ensure a lasting peace in the region. .

The Iraqi leader blasted the U-N-sanctioned land and sea blockade of his country. As for a proposed air blockade... which was ordered by the United Nations Security Council today... Saddam asked- ''Have you ever heard of measures more boorish, more inhumane than these measures?''

The fuel economy bill suffered a stunning defeat in the Senate today. A key test vote on the measure to increase federal gasoline mileage standards failed to get the 60 votes needed to limit debate. Nevada Democrat Richard Bryan, the bill's prime sponsor, says he'll shelve the measure until next year. .

The defeat came as the E-P-A released its annual gasoline mileage ratings for new cars. It shows small foreign-built cars... most from Japan... are the fuel efficiency champs again.

In testimony before a House subcommittee today, an Energy Department official admitted that electric cars would cut the American need for Mideast oil. Yet,

the official says, the Bush administration opposes a bill to subsidize the development of such automobiles.

The American Automobile Association says the average price of regular gasoline nationwide has jumped one-point-eight cents in the past week to onedollar 31 a gallon. It's the highest price recorded since the Persian Gulf crisis began.

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#90268u2478 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - Philippine police say one person was injured early Wednesday when suspected rebel soldiers bombed a Coca Cola bottling plant near President Aquino's palace. 20 minutes later, a bomb was tossed into a Pepsi facility in suburban Manila. Both blasts caused considerable damage.

Hours after Israel's Supreme Court lifted a temporary restraining order, the army tonight resumed bulldozing homes in a Gaza refugee camp where a reserve soldier was killed last week. It's one of the largest mass demolitions of Arab buildings since the start of the Palestinian uprising.

The head of Bulgaria's Socialist Party was re-elected chairman today in a resounding defeat for liberals, who will meet Saturday to discuss the issue. Delegates also voted to adopt the red rose as the official party symbol... replacing the red star that stood for Bulgarian communism for 44 years.

Forecasters expect Tropical Storm Josephine to lose its tropical storm characteristics by tomorrow. At last report, Josephine was about 760 miles west-northwest of Cape Verde Islands and moving west at 10 miles an hour. Its maximum winds were clocked at 40 miles an hour.

Seven Southern states shivered today as an early-autumn cold snap brought record lows to the region. A Western warm-up brought Indian summer to the Plains... with temperatures in the 70's, 80's, and- in some places- 90's.

A 42-year-old Philadelphia woman screamed and cried today as she became the city's first woman to receive a life prison sentence under tough new federal drug legislation. Myrna Suren was convicted last year of running a drug ring.

Bob Newhart was named today the grand marshal of the 102nd New Year's Day Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, California. The 61-year-old- comedian will lead the January 1st procession down Colorado Boulevard. He'll also preside over the start of the Rose Bowl Game.

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#90268u2536 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 26) UPI - Paramount Pictures, which has posted mixed results this year, announced late Tuesday that studio co-chief Sidney Ganis

has left the top post at the company, as had been widely speculated.

Ganis, who will remain at the studio as an independent producer, will be replaced by 38-year-old David Kirkpatrick, a one-time screenwriter who has moved into the executive ranks. Kirkpatrick joined Paramount in July as executive vice president after leaving the post of president of production at Walt Disney Co.

Kirkpatrick's official title will be co-president of the motion picture group. Distribution chief Barry London will continue as the other co-president.

Both London and Kirkpatrick will report to studio Chairman Frank Mancuso.

The studio said Ganis has entered into an exclusive long-term agreement under which he will develop and produce movies for Paramount.

''Making motion pictures is a special privilege, and a long-term commitment of mine,'' Ganis said in the announcement. ''Paramount is the best home base for the kinds of films I look forward to making.''

Ganis, 50, was promoted to the top post two years ago when Ned Tanen stepped aside after four years at the studio helm. Industry insiders have said he has provoked problems at the studio because of indecisiveness and strained relations with some of Paramount's top talent, including producers Don Simpson and Jerry Bruckheimer and actor Eddie Murphy.

Paramount has been criticized because its big-budget summer films - Simpson-Bruckheimer's ''Days of Thunder'' and Murphy's ''Another 48 HRS'' - performed only adequately, while ''The Two Jakes'' was a major dud. Still, the studio has the summer's top hit with ''Ghost,'' which has made close to $150 million in less than three months.

Ganis is also credited with persuading Francis Ford Coppola to make ''The Godfather, Part III,'' which is due out at the end of the year.

Other Ganis projects set for release next year include ''Regarding Henry,'' starring Harrison Ford; ''Dead Again,'' directed by Kenneth Branagh and starring Donald Sutherland, and ''The Butcher's Wife,'' starring Demi Moore and Jeff Daniels.

Ganis served as a senior vice president at George Lucas's Lucasfilm Ltd. in Marin County, Calif., for seven years before joining Paramount in March 1986 as president of worldwide marketing. He previously held marketing posts at Warner, Fox, Columbia, Cinema Center Films and Seven Arts Productions.

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#90268u2572 09/25/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 25) UPI - The former president and board chairman of the failed Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan refused to answer questions today on grounds of self-incrimination. Michael Wise's refusals were made behind closed doors in the first day of testimony in the conflict-of-interest case involving President Bush's son, Neil. The younger Bush... who was a member of the Denver thrift's board of directors... is expected to testify later in the week.

A state appeals court in Los Angeles today refused to lower the five-Million-dollar bail set for Charles Keating... the former Lincoln Savings and Loan chief accused of defrauding elderly investors. The panel gave NO reason for turning down the petition. The denial came on Keating's seventh day in L-A County Jail. The 66-year-old former operator of the failed Irvine, California, thrift says he's destitute and canNOT post such a high bail.

A prominent gay and lesbian activist is accusing the entertainment industry of gay bashing through negative images in movies. Richard Jennings... executive director of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation... says negative stereotypes, slurs and obnoxious jokes are on the rise in movies. Jennings says gay and lesbian film characters are portrayed either as sissies, victims, murderers or twisted villains.

Officials at Poland's Gdansk shipyard expressed disgust today that a Polish-born Millionairess is ending efforts to rescue the birthplace of Solidarity. Barbara Piasecka-Johnson yesterday announced she is pulling out of any projects to save the shipyard... which the communist government decided in 1988 to close. Reports were that the heiress wanted wage and workforce cuts... but Piasecka-Johnson says she was ''sabotaged by the Polish press.''

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LINCOLN, NE (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Isco Inc. (NASDAQ:ISKO) Wednesday reported the following results for thee fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

Earnings for the fourth quarter ended July 31, 1990 were $984,000, or 24 cents per share, on net sales of $9,046,000. For the same period last year earnings were $595,000, or 14 cents per share, on net sales of $7,814,000. The sales increase of 16 percent was accompanied by an 80 percent increase in operating income.

The Environmental Division generated operating income of $3.8 million on record sales of $18.8 million in fiscal 1990. This compares with operating income of $4.3 million and sales of $17.8 million in the previous year. While operating income was down 11 percent year over year, the fourth quarter results of $1,420,000 continue the upward trend shown in the previous three quarters of fiscal 1990.

Results for the Instrument Division were lower in fiscal 1990, with sales of

$12.8 million and operating income of $39,000. The comparable results for fiscal 1989 were $14 million and $628,000. However, the company believes that the delivery of the capillary electrophoresis systems and the supercritical fluid extraction device in early fiscal 1991 will improve performance.

International sales improved slightly to $5 million in fiscal 1990, compared with fiscal 1989 sales of $4.9 million. This change included a 13 percent increase for the Instrument Division and a 12 percent decline for the Environmental Division.

Incoming orders for fiscal 1990 were up 6.2 percent over fiscal 1989; the Environmental Division was up 9.6 percent while the Instrument Division was up 1.6 percent. The order backlog increased 49 percent from $1.6 million at the end of fiscal 1989 to $2.4 million at the end of fiscal 1990.

Isco manufactures water pollution monitoring equipment, including flow measuring devices, and is the leading manufacturer of wastewater samplers. Isco also manufactures chemical separation instruments for use in biochemistry and biotechnology research.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - S&P assigns its 'A-1' rating to Blue Circle Industries PLC's US$400 million Euronote issuance facility.

Blue Circle is the U.K.'s leading cement producer; with other activities in branded home products such as heating systems and bathroom fixtures.

The rating is based the company's superior position in the mature U.K. cement industry, in which it is the lowest cost producer and has an extensive distribution network.

These advantages give Blue Circle significant earnings protection despite its exposure to the cyclical construction industry and increasing price competition in cement markets.

Earnings diversity comes from development of cement and building materials businesses in the United States, which have strong regional market share positions in the eastern states, as well as its home products businesses that have a strong presence in the renovation markets. Both the U.S. and U.K. construction markets are expected to show sluggish growth over the next year

and possibly beyond.

However Blue Circle's strong operating position and conservative capital structure, as evidenced by a net debt to total capital ratio of 23 pc at year-end June 30, provide sufficient financial flexibility to enable the company to maintain its strong financial profile despite difficult industry conditions, S&P said.

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SAN MARCOS, CA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Amistar Corp. (OTC:AMTA) Wednesday announced that the company had recently bought back 50,000 shares of its common stock from a large institutional holder.

The price was $1 per share. The company intends to retire the purchased shares. This purchase reduces the shares currently outstanding to 3,187,500.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Hyundai is announcing reduced prices in its line of 80386 PCs.

Suggested retail prices (S.R.P.) on all of the 25MHz Super-386N models have been reduced, as well as the 100MB and 200MB versions of the 20MHz Super-386C and Hyundai's 80386SX model, the 16MHz Super-386S. According to Dan Lott, director of marketing, the price changes have been made to adjust for the recent introduction of the 33MHz Super-386T.

The Super-386N has been reduced by $200 on its single floppy, 40MB and 300 MB hard drive models. All of Hyundai's 80386 systems, including the Super-386N, have been reduced by $300 on the 100MB models, and $500 on the 200MB machines.

The new S.R.P. prices are as follows:

Super-386N:	$3395 with one 5.25-inch 1.2MB floppy
	$3995 with 40MB HDD added
	$4595 with 100MB HDD added
	$5095 with 200MB HDD added
	$6895 with 300MB HDD added
Super-386C:	$3395 with one floppy and 100MB HDD
Super-386S:	$2645 with one floppy and 100MB HDD

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#90269b0058 09/26/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - VMX (NASDAQ:VMXI) Wednesday introduced a set of applications templates called VMX Worksolutions, based on VMX's recently introduced VMXworks application platform.

Worksolutions enable organizations to solve specific caller needs more effectively than traditional interactive voice response (IVR) or voice messaging systems. These Worksolutions templates will require varying degrees of customization, depending on the customer and the application.

Through the VMX Teamworks third-party developer program, VMX will be supporting a wide range of organizations in developing Worksolutions. Organizations supported by VMX Teamworks will include applications developers, independent programmers, VMX market specialists, VMX D.I.A.L.PRO value-adding systems companies, systems integrators and customer end users.

The first VMX Worksolutions -- Helpworks, Insureworks and 800 Secureworks -- are examples of new ways for companies to leverage their computer and telephony investments.

Helpworks -- a help desk application for service departments (e.g., MIS) to provide interactive telephone response to employees' inquiries and technical questions. With Helpworks, employees can call the help desk and leave a message describing their problem. Helpworks goes beyond traditional voice messaging by assigning callers trouble ticket numbers associated with dynamically created mailboxes.

Technicians can respond to inquiries with messages to these mailboxes. At their convenience, employees can call in, enter their trouble ticket number and hear the response to the problem.

Insureworks -- a policy and claims information line for insurance agents and policy holders. Insurance companies can provide faster response to inquiries

and provide information to callers more efficiently. The system provides a menu of choices and includes the ability to retrieve information about policies and claims, 24 hours a day, without the agent needing to be in the office.

Going beyond traditional IVR applications, should the agent or policy holder wish to obtain further information, Insureworks will assign a temporary voice mailbox permitting callers and agents to exchange questions and answers at their convenience.

800 Secureworks -- an innovative telephone security system that guards against 800 number fraud. The system uses information from computer databases to ask callers individually tailored questions to deter computer hackers. If callers cannot answer these questions correctly, a live attendant can be notified by the system and then conferenced into the call to assist the caller.

After callers do identify themselves accurately, they can access a full range of call and message processing functions. The system also provides reports on caller activity.

Users of VMXworks and Worksolutions include Viking Insurance (Irvine, Calif.), which specializes in non-standard automobile and motorcycle policies. ''Our service representatives used to spend an average of about 10 minutes per call. Now, with VMXworks, calls have been reduced to two or three minutes, freeing operators to spend more time on complex inquiries,'' said Steven Barton, Viking manager of facilities administration and planning.

San Diego-based Science Applications International Corp. (SAIC), the ninth largest systems integrator in the United States, is using VMXworks to provide 24-hour technical support to employees in offices nationwide. ''To do their job, help desk technicians are either on the phone or out providing service. Meanwhile, employees calling in for help with their computers and systems would be delayed and frustrated by telephone tag,'' notes Ronald Scott, SAIC telecommunications manager.

''With our new VMXworks system, the technician picks up the message, records the advice and the caller phones back for the answer using dynamic and expandable messaging capabilities that have substantially improved productivity.''

The new Worksolutions templates are currently sold, configured, installed and maintained by VMX's nationwide network of certified value-adding systems companies. ''With VMXworks, Worksolutions and the VMX value-adding systems companies, VMX is uniquely able to deliver to customers the emerging class of integrated messaging applications required to meet today's business needs,'' says Laura Watkins, VMX director of product marketing.

VMX is a leader in today's expanding call and message processing market, which

includes such enhanced capabilities as audiotext, voice response and call transaction processing. The company is also the world leader in voice message networking.

VMX products are distributed throughout North America and in more than 25 additional countries through value-adding systems companies, OEMS and directly by VMX sales offices. Headquartered in San Jose, Calif., the company has a major manufacturing, engineering, sales and support facility in Dallas. VMX sales offices are located in Los Angeles, New York City, Chicago, Atlanta, Washington and London.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Litton Industries Inc. announced Wednesday that it is calling for redemption on Nov. 15, 1990, all of its floating rate subordinated notes due July 1, 2000, in the outstanding amount of $439,695,000.

The notes were issued in 1985 in a transaction in which Litton issued subordinated debt in exchange of its common stock.

The redemption price will be 100 percent of the principal amount and interest accrued to Nov. 15, 1990. Interest on the notes will cease to accrue after the redemption date.

The principal and interest will be paid on presentation and surrender of the notes at the Litton offices in Beverly Hills, Calif., or at the Midwest Securities Exchange Clearing Corp. in New York.

''A notice of redemption which provides more detail concerning the manner of repayment is being mailed to all noteholders of record within the next few days,'' said Joseph T. Casey, Litton vice chairman and chief financial officer. ''The redemption will further strengthen Litton's balance sheet and improve our positive cash flow.''

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Glenhall Taylor Jr., vice chairman of the board of BankAmerica Corp. and head of credit policy at Bank of America has announced that he will retire at the end of the year.

Executive Vice President Michael E. Rossi, currently head of Bank of America's Commercial Banking Division, will succeed him as head of credit policy.

Taylor, 65, is a veteran of more than four decades of banking. He orchestrated the changes in credit policy that were instrumental in BankAmerica Corp.'s turnaround during the late 1980s.

Born and raised in San Francisco, Taylor began his banking career in 1948 as a part-time clerk at American Trust Co. while attending UC-Berkeley. American Trust Co. merged with Wells Fargo in 1960 and Taylor continued on to become an Executive Vice President and Chairman of the Credit Policy Committee.

He left Wells Fargo in 1983, when he was named Vice Chairman and chief credit officer by the financially troubled Seafirst. He was instrumental in achieving the turnaround at Seafirst. After a brief retirement, he was tapped by Seafirst's parent company, BankAmerica, in 1985 to strengthen Bank of America's loan portfolio and establish new credit procedures and policies.

Taylor's plan, which called for early identification of problem loans, rigorous review of new credits, and successful recoveries of loans previously charged off, has resulted in dramatic improvements in the bank's credit portfolio over the last five years.

Taylor is a member of the Board of Directors of Seafirst Corporation and a past national president and former member of the Board of Directors of Robert Morris & Associates, a professional association of bank loan and credit officers.

''We are extremely grateful for the unique contribution Glenhall has made at BankAmerica,'' Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Richard M. Rosenberg said. ''We just could not have achieved what we have achieved without him. Glenhall is quite simply the dean of credit in the United States. His record is remarkable," Rosenberg continued.

''He led the effort which brought Seafirst's troubled loan portfolio under control, then he came out of retirement and repeated his superb performance with the much larger and more complex portfolio at Bank of America. We have all been enriched by his counsel and his friendship.

''We're pleased to have as able a successor as Mike Rossi, whose record demonstrates his ability to manage this critical area of the business with prudence, insight, and creativity,'' Rosenberg added.

Rossi, 45, began his career at Bank of America in 1966 as an international credit and lending officer. He then spent 16 years with CitiBank and Wells Fargo before rejoining Bank of America in 1986 as senior vice president and manager of the bank's Latin America Special Assets Group.

He was named senior credit officer for the bank's World Banking Group in 1987, then headed the Asia Division, before being named to head the Commercial Banking Division.

Rossi and Taylor will work closely together for the remainder of this year, as Rossi assumes the role of chief credit officer. Rossi will also become a member of the bank's Managing Committee and Asset and Liability Policy Committee and will chair the Credit Policy Committee.

Following his retirement at the end of this year, Taylor will continue as a director of Seafirst Corporation and Seafirst Bank and as a consultant to BankAmerica on matters of credit policy.

Succeeding Rossi as head of the Commercial Banking Division will be Jack Meyers, 47, an executive vice president with 25 years of banking experience who currently heads Credit Risk Management for the Commercial Banking Group. Meyers joined Bank of America in 1985 and organized the California Banking Group's Special Credits Group which managed the group's problem loan portfolio.

He also served as senior commercial credit officer for the California Banking Group and as president of BancAmerica Commercial Corp.

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SAN ANTONIO, TX (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - La Quinta Motor Inns Inc. (NYSE:LQM) Wednesday announced board action adopting a shareholder rights plan that provides for rights to be issued to shareholders of record on Oct. 9.

According to Sam Barshop, chairman and chief executive officer: ''This action has been taken after long and careful study, and was not taken in response to any pending takeover or proposed change in control of the company. The adoption of a shareholder rights plan has become common practice in major American companies and a well-accepted approach to ensuring that all shareholders receive a fair price and are treated equally in the event of a takeover.''

Under the plan, the rights will initially trade together with La Quinta's common stock and will not be exercisable. In the absence of further board

action, the rights will become exercisable and allow the holder to acquire La Quinta common stock at a discounted price if a person or group acquires 15 percent or more of La Quinta's common stock.

In the case of persons that are eligible to report their ownership of La Quinta stock to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Schedule 13G rather than Schedule 13D (generally because they acquired their shares before La Quinta became a public company or they are institutional investors holding shares for investors only), and persons that are affirmatively determined by La Quinta's board of directors not to have interests adverse to those of La Quinta and its shareholders, the triggering percentage of stock ownership is 25 percent rather than 15 percent. Rights held by persons who exceed the applicable threshold will be void.

Under certain circumstances, the rights will entitle the holder to buy shares in an acquiring entity at a discounted price.

The plan also includes an exchange option. In general, after the rights become exercisable, the board of directors may, at its option, effect an exchange of part or all of the rights-other than rights that have become void-for shares of La Quinta common stock. Under this option, La Quinta would issue one share of common stock for each right, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances.

La Quinta's board of directors may, at its option, redeem all rights for 2 cents per right, generally at any time prior to the rights becoming exercisable. The rights will expire Oct. 9, 2000, unless earlier redeemed by the board of directors.

The issuance of the rights will not affect reported earnings per share and will not change the way in which La Quinta common stock is currently traded.

La Quinta Motor Inns Inc. develops, owns, and operates or licenses limited services lodging facilities. At Sept. 26, La Quinta operated 208 inns in 29 states.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - DAVID Systems and Indiana University Friday announced an agreement deploying DAVID 10BASE-T equipment and apparatus as part of the Indiana University Computing Network, a TCP/IP internetwork linking multiple applications and users.

The agreement is part of a multi-year program being implemeted by the

University Computing Services organization for providing total data connectivity throughout Indiana University's multiple campuses, with access to regional and national data networks.

With an enrollment of over 85,000 students, Indiana University has a computing environment spread over eight campuses, consisting of 23 general-access mainframes located in computing centers, 49 departmental-level mainframes, and in excess of 6,000 microcomputers, representing multiple vendors.

DAVID's equipment is being used for the last leg of the data connection, linking end users, located in the academic and administrative areas of the university, to a backbone network.

The basic connectivity vehicle covered in the agreement is the DAVID ExpressNet 132 port Intelligent Concentrator, Indiana University will initially deploy 120 of these units to serve approximately 8,000 end users with 10BASE-T connectivity.

Indiana has required all buildings on their Bloomington campus with multiple twisted pair wiring for future data connectivity; some 17,000 jacks were wired in the academic, administrative and dormitory buildings.

The initial phase will provide connectivity only to the academic and administrative buildings. Expansion to the dorms will be the subject of planning in the near future.

Other applications include several electronic conferencing systems, both local and international in membership; office automation services; student services including an online advising system and a dynamic schedule of classes during registration periods; and access to application software, largely for academic usage, including statistics packages, mathematical and statistical programming libraries, programming languages and data bases.

Formed to enhance the role of integrated digital communication, DAVID Systems supplied its first Ethernet LAN products in 1985. As a technical leader in its field, DAVID holds six communications patents and is an active participant in the IEEE802.3 10BASE-T Consortium at the University of New Hampshire.

DAVID Systems products emphasize integrated solutions for LANs, voice and data which are easy to expand and adapt to changing customer needs.

The DAVID LAN product family includes the DAVID ExpressNet 10BASE-T Hub, Intelligent Concentrators (48 and 132 port), the DAVID ExpressView network management system, the VolksNet 10BASE-T Ethernet LAN for small network configurations, and the DAVID Ether-T Adapters for IBM personal computers and compatibles. DAVID Systems currently has over 150,000 ports of Ethernet installed worldwide.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint announced Wednesday that it will build the world's first public frame relay service in 1991.

The service will make data communications more cost-effective than private line circuits and faster than traditional forms of packet switching.

When commercially available in the third quarter of 1991, US Sprint's frame relay service will process and route data up to 10 times faster than conventional methods. US Sprint estimates that the domestic market for frame relay services will reach $800 million by 1995, due in large part to the growing trend toward interconnecting of local area networks (LANs).

The company's frame relay service will be available from any point in the United States. It will also be available in the United Kingdom and Japan via the SprintNet international network. Other international locations will be added later.

Frame relay will bring less costly high-speed data communications capability to a greatly expanded base of corporate and government customers, including federal agencies using US Sprint services through the FTS2000 telecommunications network.

The service will utilize data switches manufactured by US Sprint, along with the company's fiber-optic network. Test service will begin in the second quarter of 1991, followed by commercial availability in the third quarter of 1991.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications, Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City, Mo.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint announced Wednesday an

innovative new technological capability that allows customers using such services as medical imaging and videoconferencing to dial up the exact amount of transmission capacity needed to achieve clear, distinct images.

The new technology is called NX56 (N times 56).

''This capability gives doctors and others transmission of a clear image, almost instantaneously. Customers may select the bandwidth they need and pay only for the transmission capacity they actually use.

''This will provide users with much greater flexibility in tailoring services to their individual requirements,'' said Richard Smith, president of National Markets for US Sprint, who made the announcement during a news conference held at the Tele-Communications Association (TCA) trade show in San Diego.

According to Smith, NX56 is ideal for applications like medical imaging. Doctors in widely dispersed locations can share images produced by CAT scans, MRI scans or sonograms. They can have access to expert opinions without having to send the patient to a far-away site.

And instead of sending pictures in the mail overnight, they can transmit the information in a matter of minutes or even seconds. In addition, it allows doctors to dial up whatever bandwidth they need to achieve a clear, detailed image.

Other applications for NX56 include transmission of computer-assisted design and computer-assisted manufacture documents, transmission of robotics action files, videoconferencing, and transactional polled networks.

Developed as an enhancement to US Sprint's Switched 56 capability, NX56 allows customers to transmit multiples of 56 kbps (kilobits per second) data at tariffed voice rates. It provides the opportunity to aggregate bandwidth and gives users the option of selecting bandwidth data in increments of 56 kbps, from 1 to 8 channels now, and eventually, from 1 to 24 channels.

NX56 will be provided via customer premises equipment and VPN-56 service. It will be available throughout the US Sprint network.

It is scheduled for introduction in the first quarter of 1991, when manufacturers are expected to release customer premise equipment (CPE) capable of supporting the service.

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SANTA ANA, CA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Clean Air Resins Inc., through its majority shareholder Genatron Inc., an OTC Pink Sheet company, announced that it had entered into its first distribution contract with Clean Earth Resins Inc., a Stockton-based company.

Clean Earth Resins was granted an exclusive distributorship for all of Clean Air's roof, deck, and waterproofing coatings in seven northwestern states. Additionally, Clean Earth will have the right to sell on a non-exclusive basis all products of Clean Air, including the other water-based, non-toxic, non-flammable, elastomaric resins used for making linear polyurethane clear and pigmented paints, primers, chaulkings, and various foams.

Clean Earth will have to meet sales-performance standards to maintain its exclusive distribution contract. By year five their gross sales volume must exceed $5 million plus and continue up each year thereafter.

Craig Lease, president of Clean Earth, stated: "It's an encouraging feeling to know that when marketing these high-quality products at competitive prices that you're not only substantially lowering air pollution but also making a safer environment for the job workers, as well as for the general public.

"We're happy to have these fine products which exceed EPA and AQUMD standards and believe that for this reason we will be able to surpass all sales expectations."

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Microwave Corp. (NASDAQ:DMIC) announced Wednesday that DMC Telecom, U.K., its wholly owned European subsidiary, received an order from Mercury Communications, Ltd., (a wholly owned subsidiary of Cable and Wireless PLC), valued at $11.2 million.

This order is for the supply of 13 and 23 GHz digital microwave radios.

DMC Telecom with sales and marketing headquarters in Coventry, England and manufacturing facilities in East Kilbride, Scotland is the European headquarters for Digital Microwave Corp. Digital Microwave Corp. is a leading supplier of high performance short-haul transmission products to domestic and

international markets.

Digital Microwave Corp. is located in San Jose. Telephone: 408/943-0777.

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PROVO, UT (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Providence Hospital's LifeGuard Alaska, operated by Rocky Mountain Helicopters Inc. (NASDAQ:RMHI) of Provo, is making history Wednesday.

The program's Lear jet flew into Magadan, USSR, and is transporting an 8-year-old burn victim to the United States - marking the first time ever a dedicated medical aircraft has completed such a mission to Russia.

The mission follows three months of discussion between U.S. Immigration, FAA, State Department and Customs officials and their Soviet counterparts regarding medical evacuation and search and rescue operations, according to Dick Towell, associate administrator for Providence Hospital in Alaska, and Dr. Ted Mala, director, Institute for Circumpolar Health Studies, University of Alaska, Anchorage.

Towell says the flight marks a milestone in a series of such agreements. ''We now have visa-free visiting between Nome, Alaska, and Provideniya, USSR. Alaska Airlines and Aeroflot (USSR's national carrier) have been approved for a route exchange beginning next spring between Magadan, Anchorage and San Francisco. The only Aeroflot flights right now come through New York and Washington. These developments have all acted together to make this mission possible.''

''Rocky Mountain Helicopters, based in Provo, Utah, is helping to fund the transport. We see this as being an ideal opportunity to not only to save a life but to aid in furthering diplomatic relations between the two countries '' says Russ Spray, vice president over Medical Operations for Rocky Mountian Helicopters.

Rocky Mountain Helicopters operates LifeGuard's Lear jet for Providence Hospital. ''We became the industry leader through innovation,'' says Spray. ''It's certainly that operational creativity that allowed completion of this mission today.''

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SAN JOSE, CA. (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - R-Byte Wednesday announced the appointment of Gerald F. Boudreau as vice president of sales and marketing and an officer of the company.

Boudreau will establish and manage worldwide sales and marketing activities for R-Byte.

R-Byte was founded in 1989 to design, manufacture and market high capacity, 3.5-inch computer tape drives utilizing 4MM digital audio tape (DAT) technology. The company's intial product design is based upon technology acquired from Seagate Technology.

''As we near completion of the engineering of our first 4MM tape drives, we have started assembling the team to bring our products to market,'' said Ian Turner, president and chief executive officer of R-Byte.

''Jerry Boudreau's outstanding track record in building and managing highly effective sales and marketing organizations in peripherals companies makes him the ideal person to head up this team.''

Boudreau joins R-Byte from Hitachi America Ltd., where he was director of marketing and business planning for the Computer Division. Prior to Hitachi, Boudreau was director of the Storage Products Business Unit and director of the Business Management Office for Fujitsu America Inc.

Boudreau has also held positions in marketing and sales at Dataproducts Corp., ITT, Qume, Eastman Kodak and IBM.

''R-Byte has an exciting, leading edge technology targeted at meeting specific market needs and a management team with extensive experience in product development and operations,'' said Boudreau.

''I am excited to have the opportunity to help establish the initial strategy of a company that will become the leader in the 4MM DAT market.''

R-Byte was founded in 1989 by Ross Johnston, previously the director of Advanced Development at Seagate. The management team includes Turner, president and chief executive officer; Johnston, vice president of engineering; and Winnie Paauw, controller.

The company received venture capital financing from Oak Investment Partners,

Institutional Venture Partners, Mohr Davidow Ventures and Sigma Partners.

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SANTA ROSA, CA. (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Wednesday, Research and Development magazine presented Optical Coating Laboratory Inc. (NASDAQ:OCLI) with its prestigious ''R & D 100'' award for MetaMode, OCLI's revolutionary patented coating process which produces the coatings on the spectacular Vectra sunglass lenses.

The award, bestowed at Chicago's Museum of Science and Industry, recognizes MetaMode, a metal mode reactive sputtering process, as ''significant new technology.''

''It is because OCLI invented MetaMode that we also created Vectras,'' said Richard Norgrove, Ophthalmics product manager. ''And it is MetaMode coating superiority that places Vectras at the top of the sunglass market.

''MetaMode coatings provide Vectra sunglass wearers with glare-free vision, true color transmission, more protection from the sun's harmful rays than any other leading sunglass brand, and scratch-resistant coatings ten times more durable than standard coatings.''

MetaMode permits fully automated deposition of precisely controlled metal or dielectric coatings at high rates. It is a unique ''cold'' process, allowing flat and irregularly shaped substrates, such as glass or plastic, to be coated at or near room temperature, usually eliminating the need for heating and cooling cycles.

There is virtually no limit to the number of layers that can be coated in one run, and large volumes of product can be coated with precise optical uniformity.

Information about MetaMode will be exhibited from Sept. 26 to Oct. 28 along with scientific and technological breakthroughs from such companies as Eastman Kodak, General Electric, NASA Lewis Research Center, National Institute of Standards & Technology and Hughes Aircraft Co.

The exhibit is expected to draw more than 300,000 people.

For more information on OCLI's high-tech, high-fashion Vectra sunglasses, call

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MONTEREY PARK, CA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameron (NYSE:AMN) Wednesday reported higher sales and earnings for the third quarter ended August 31, 1990 as compared with 1989.

L.R. Tollenaere, chairman and chief executive officer, said that continued strong demand for construction products in Hawaii and increased deliveries of large-diameter concrete and steel pipe in Southern California and the Southwest contributed to the improved performance.

Despite the rise in sales and earnings from consolidated operations on a year-to-date basis, net income was reduced due to lower equity results from affiliated companies.

Ameron
Third-Quarter Sales and Earnings

	Three Months Ended August 31, 1990	1989
Sales	$121,000,000	$120,864,000
Net income	4,554,000	4,185,000
Net income per share/a	1.20	1.05

	Nine Months Ended August 31, 1990	1989
Sales	$326,347,000	$311,020,000
Net income	7,959,000	9,053,000
Net income per share/a	2.10	2.27

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Furnishings 2000 Inc. announced that since filing for protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, it has been required to cease operations due to lack of funds and has filed a motion with the Bankruptcy Court to require its secured creditor, which has a security interest in all of the company's inventory, to remove the inventory

collateral from the company's stores and warehouses and to pay rent until the inventory is removed.

The company believes that there is only an outside chance that it will be able to obtain alternate financing to operate its stores and, in the absence of any alternate financing, anticipates that proceeds from the sale of its store leases and other assets will be insufficient to pay all creditor claims in full. In that event, no distribution will be available to stockholders.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - National Telephone & Communications Inc. (NTC) has entered the cellular telephone market as the first nationwide full-service provider, it was announced Wednesday by Donald J. Rackemann, president of the Newport Beach-based discount long-distance carrier.

NTC now has the capability to deliver a cellular telephone, together with an area code and an activated local phone numer, to anyone in the country within 72 hours, Rackemann said.

Recently concluded agreements between NTC and Total Cellular Network Inc. have made it possible to offer the unique full service in more than 700 licensed areas throughout the country.

Rackemann pointed out that he anticipates substantial penetration of the cellular telephone market through the efforts of NTC's network of over 500 representatives across the United States.

NTC is a publicly held company and is certified by the California Public Utilities Commission.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Propane inventories in the United States remain tight as winter approaches in the Northeast, highlighting the need for additional delivery capabilities to serve the needs of customers in New York and other Northeastern states.

Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Co. (TEPPCO) is increasing its efforts to

identify and implement increases to its system deliverability in the Northeast said company President Michael D. Burke.

''Additional storage capacity is critical in New York and other Northeastern states, especially if there is a repeat of the extremely cold weather experienced in December and January this past winter,'' Burke said. ''For that reason, we are intensifying our efforts in evaluating alternative locations for such facilities.''

TEPPCO officials said events in the Middle East have impacted the world supply of propane because Kuwait was a significant exporter of the product.

''On a market-by-market basis, it is hard to identify the specific impact of Kuwait's loss. But overall, a lower world supply reduces the available product for response to immediate needs, such as winter demand in the Northeast,'' Burke said.

TEPPCO's existing storage facilities in New York are being filled to levels approaching capacity.

''Demand for propane as an environmentally attractive fuel continues to increase both among residential and commercial users,'' Burke said. ''Of particular note is the potential increase in the use of propane in electric cogeneration plants.''

An additional week or two of severe temperatures in early 1990 would have rendered the Northeast's propane distribution capacity insufficient, Burke said.

''Since last winter, we have been working to identify various options for meeting the needs of propane customers in the Northeast,'' he said. ''TEPPCO believes that solutions such as additional propane sources, incremental storage and enhanced pipeline delivery capacity into the Northeast will be critical in the future and are being evaluated.''

TEPPCO is continuing to evaluate the possibility of participating in a proposed pipeline project to Quebec, which would link additional supply sources to the Northeast and would also provide the region with incremental storage for peak demand periods.

''The critical need in New York and the entire Northeast is additional storage of supplies that are available on demand. TEPPCO is committed to working with the people of New York and the Northeast to meet that need,'' Burke said.

TE Products Pipeline Co., Limited Partnership, headquartered in Houston, was formed to acquire, own and operate the refined petroleum products and liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) pipeline business of Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Co., the general partner of the limited partnership. The company is

one of the largest pipeline common carriers of refined petroleum products and LPGs in the United States.

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FREMONT, CA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Everex Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:EVRX) Tuesday announced an expanded distribution agreement with Merisel, (NASDAQ:MSEL) a major distributor of Everex STEP systems and peripheral products.

Under the terms of the agreement, Merisel will now carry the full line of Everex Tempo personal computers.

Designed to provide users with quality systems at affordable prices, the Everex Tempo line includes the Tempo 286/12, Tempo 286/16, Tempo 386sx/16, Tempo 386/20 and 386/25. Everex Tempo systems are fully compatible with Everex STEP systems and may be used in conjunction with STEP file servers as network nodes.

Merisel, formerly Softsel/MicroAmerica, is one of the largest distributors of microcomputer hardware and software products to computer resellers worldwide. The company presently stocks over 7,000 products from more than 400 hardware and software vendors for sale to 50,000 computers resellers worldwide.

International operations account for approximately 30 percent of sales and consist of seven wholly owned subsidiaries serving resellers in Canada, Europe Latin America and Australia in addition to a joint venture in the Soviet Union.

The company supplies products for microcomputer platforms including Apple Macintosh, IBM and compatibles and a variety of UNIX and workstation systems, in addition to offering a wide range of services to help resellers support these products.

Everex Systems Inc., with headquarters in Fremont, designs, manufactures and supports a complete family of industry-standard personal computers and peripherals. Everex products are distributed through a worldwide dealer and VAR network.

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SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. and Applied Information Sciences Inc. (AIS), Wednesday announced that AIS will participate in the Unisys Open/OLTP Software Partnership Program (SPP).

The program allows software developers to begin development of applications and tools for distributed, On Line Transaction Processing (OLTP) prior to the release of Open/OLTP products by Unisys. AIS, makers of connectivity tools for diverse computing systems, will receive development assistance and support from Unisys.

Under the terms of the agreement, Unisys and AIS will work together to tightly integrate the Unisys Open/OLTP offerings with the AIS UniAccess product suite. The Unisys Open/OLTP architecture provides a commercial OLTP environment for UNIX systems based on emerging industry standards for distributed transaction processing now being developed by X/Open and others.

AIS' UniAccess products will provide an interactive client/server gateway that allows UNIX systems access to mainframe and minicomputer servers, including those made by Unisys, IBM and DEC.

Together, Unisys and AIS products will enable distributed, heterogeneous transaction processing combining PCs and workstations, Open/OLTP UNIX systems, and mainframes. Both the Unisys Open/OLTP products and the AIS Open/OLTP-based UniAccess products will be released early in 1991.

The Unisys Software Partnership Program provides participating companies with the Open/OLTP software at no charge, Open/OLTP training, and special support for the duration of the program. New SPP members will be enrolled until first customer shipment of Open/OLTP products by Unisys.

Open/OLTP will also be incorporated into the on-going AIS Prototype Partnership program. As part of this program, AIS will provide customers with design and implementation assistance to develop prototype products for OLTP environments, based on the Unisys ALLY and Open/OLTP software, and AIS' UniAccess products.

Applied Information Sciences Inc. (AIS), headquartered in Landover, Md., is a growing information systems development and management consulting firm. AIS was founded to deliver advanced applications tools and a wide range of services to meet the information needs of government and commercial clients.

Unisys Corp. is a leading provider of commercial UNIX systems. Unisys actively participates in the development of open systems standards as a founding member of UNIX International and as a member of X/Open. Unisys was the first company to receive an XPG2 compliance certificate from X/Open.

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SEYMOUR, CT (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Summagraphics Corp. (NASDAQ:SUGR) Wednesday announced earnings and revenues for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991.

Net sales for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 increased 72.1 percent to $17,983,793 over the $10,447,294 reported for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Operating income increased 2.6 percent to $1,311,201 from $1,277,851 reported for the prior year.

As a result of the acquistions, the company went from earning interest to paying interest and reported $269,568 of other expense in the current quarter vs. $174,055 of other income in the prior quarter.

Income before taxes decreased 28.3 percent to $1,041,633 from the $1,451,906 reported for the comparable quarter of the prior year. The company reported net income of $750,795, a decrease of 33.7 percent from the $1,131,853, reported for the prior year.

On a per share basis, earnings were 20 cents compared with the 30 cents reported for fiscal 1990.

William J. Lifka, president, chief executive officer and chairman stated, '' This is the first complete quarter that includes the integration of Houston Instrument with Summagraphics' operations. Despite the decrease in earnings, results for the quarter were within our range of expectation with operating profits showing a significant improvement over fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990.

Summagraphics Corp. is a leading international manufacturer of computer peripheral products used principally in computer graphics, computer-aided design and other advanced applications.

Summagraphics, founded in 1972, is the pre-eminent designer, developer, and marketer of digitizers through its Summagraphics Digitizer Division, which offers brand names including SummaSketch, Bit Pad, and Microgrid.

Through its Houston Instrument Division, the company manufactures computer peripheral devices including the popular DMP 50/60 series of pen plotters and

the recently announced LDS 4000 wide format scanner.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Businessland Inc. (NYSE:BLI) announced an agreement in principle with its senior noteholders to resolve all issues of compliance with the covenants of its $50 million senior notes.

The company previously reported in its year-end earnings news release that it was in violation of certain of the operating covenants contained in such notes. Under the terms of the waiver, the effective rate of interest has been increased by 0.50 percent effective Dec. 15, 1990, to 10.25 percent, and certain financial covenants have been modified.

Founded in 1982, Businessland Inc. is an international leader in the distribution, integration and support of microcomputer and workstation systems for business.

The company integrates products from selected manufacturers to create systems tailored to specific customer needs and provides the high-level service and support to maximize their productivity.

Businessland operates centers and branch offices in 50 major U.S. metropolitan markets, five metropolitan areas in Great Britain, three in West Germany, five in Canada and one in Japan. It reported sales of $1.35 billion in fiscal 1990.

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TORRANCE, CA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Epson America Inc. announced Wednesday its support of NeWSprint, Sun Microsystems' raster image processing software for the SPARC-based family of workstations.

Epson is developing printer handlers that work with NeWSprint to produce PostScript-language emulation on its line of dot-matrix, laser and ink jet models. The technology allows users of UNIX workstations to choose among a full spectrum of personal printers that accommodate different needs and

budgets.

Peter Bergman, director of Epson's printer business unit, said the alliance is mutually beneficial for both companies. ''As a worldwide leader in imaging technology, Epson has the sales and service network needed to support the national distribution of NeWSprint.

The software handlers are being developed at the Epson Technology Center in Santa Clara, Calif., ensuring optimum functionality of its printers in conjunction with NeWSprint.

Epson manufactures a wide range of 9-pin and 24-pin dot-matrix printers that are ideal for use in general business environments. The DFX-8000, a 9-pin model capable of printing 1,066 characters per second, is designed for producing reports, wide spreadsheets and voluminous drafts.

Epson's 24-pin printers feature letter-quality output for business correspondence, word processing and presentation graphics. Among its extensive line of 24-pin models are the LQ-860 and LQ-2550 color printers.

Workstation users in engineering, project-management and specialty graphics environments can achieve detailed output from Epson's EPI-4000 ink jet printer which produces sharp, 300-by-300 dot-per-inch resolution on 11-by-17-inch B-sized paper. The EPL-6000 laser printer produces quality output at a significant savings over the cost of printers with built-in PostScript language.

An Epson printer being used with a SPARCstation will be demonstrated at the Seybold Show, Oct. 3-5, in San Jose, Calif. The software handlers being developed for NeWSprint will be available in early November and distributed through authorized reseller outlets that carry Epson printer and computer products.

Expanding connectivity into the UNIX environment is Epson's latest step toward integration across multiple platforms and operating environments. Alliances with hardware and software vendors ensure broad-based compatibility with Epson printers as the industry standard.

Recent alliances within the industry include IBM mainframe interfaces manufactured by Avatar Technologies and I-O Corp., Freedom of Press software for Macintosh computers from Custom Applications Inc., and Windows and OS/2 operating software from Microsoft Corp.

Epson is also playing an integral role in Sun's expansion into the mainstream computer market. Bergman explained: ''Until now, UNIX customers have had to use expensive PostScript printers with their workstations. Now that Sun has begun attracting PC customers with its low-cost SPARCstation, it is looking to companies such as Epson to provide cost-effective printing solutions.''

SPARC (Scalable Processor Architecture) is the leading reduced instruction set computer (RISC) processor within the industry. NeWS (Networking Windowing System), is a PostScript-compatible imaging model tied to the X Window system.

NeWSprint software supports output devices connected to a SPARC system. It incorporates raster image processing (RIP) within the workstation to interpret PostScript-language codes before they are sent to the printer, enabling all types of printers to emulate PostScript.

Epson America Inc. is a manufacturer and marketer of personal computer and imaging products serving the North American marketplace.

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LAS VEGAS (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - MarCor Resorts Inc. opened the doors to the country's first all-suite hotel- casino -- the Rio Suite Hotel & Casino.

Since then, the property has maintained more than 90 percent occupancy with significant repeat business.

Located just west of the famous ''Las Vegas Strip'' and three miles from McCarran International Airport, the Rio offers unprecedented hospitality amenities.

The Rio features 430 spacious suites, meeting and convention facilities, a pool with sand beach, five restaurants, 50,000 square foot full service casino and an exciting Brazilian Carnival theme throughout its facilities. The Rio's elevated property site amid the flat topography of Las Vegas makes the hotel uniquely visible throughout most of Las Vegas.

''We're very excited about the Rio and the early success that we've seen since opening,'' said Anthony A. Marnell II, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of MarCor Resorts, Inc.

''Hotel guests and casino patrons are thrilled with the Rio, where each guest is treated like a VIP,'' added James A. Barrett, Jr., president and chief operating officer of MarCor Resorts, Inc. The Rio is the initial resort gaming property of MarCor Resorts, Inc.

The Rio offers the discriminating vacationer, ''short hop'' traveller, businessman and local gaming customer impeccable services and outstanding amenities. Guests enjoy a suite vacation at affordable and attractive prices with living quarters averaging 200 square feet larger than other hotels,

fabulous entertainment and spacious convention facilities.

Robert R. Maxey, president and chief executive officer of the Rio, explained, ''The Rio offers first class amenities to all our guests, not just a selected 'high roller' group. This uniqueness has contributed to our unprecedented popularity.''

Meeting and banquet facilities at the Rio range in size from an executive Board Room for 10 to 22 people, to the Sugar Loaf Room with banquet seating for 540. There is classroom seating for 450, theatre seating for 800 and cocktail reception space for 900. -0- Note: Black and white and color photos available upon request to Amy

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DEERFIELD BEACH, FL (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Sensormatic Electronics Corporation (SNSR/NASDAQ) Wednesday announced operating results for the first quarter ended August 31, 1990.

Revenues increased 26% to a record $54.7 million, and operating income also grew 26% to $7.1 million. Earnings per share increased 18% to $0.20 per share, on $5.4 million of net income. Worldwide backlog at August 31, 1990 was $22.9 million, an increase of 73% over August 31 of last year.

Sensormatic Electronics Corporation is the world leader in loss prevention technology. Sensormatic's electronic article surveillance (EAS) systems are used primarily by retailers to deter shoplifting. Sensormatic also manufactures and markets closed circuit television systems for retail, commercial and industrial applications, and its POSdata subsidiary is the fastest growing distributor of point of sale bar code scanners in the United States. All of the Company's divisions are linked to the largest worldwide sales and service organization in the EAS industry.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Rockwell International Corp. and Aristacom International Inc., Alameda, Calif., Wednesday announced their joint Development Partners Program in which Aristacom will provide a software product that will link Rockwell's Automatic Call Distribution systems to applications based on IBM (and compatible) System/370 mainframes.

SCIL Galaxy is the newest addition to Aristacom's SCIL Link product family (Switch Computer Interface Link). SCIL Galaxy lets users integrate their existing mainframe-based applications with Rockwell's Galaxy without re-writing software or purchasing additional computer hardware.

According to Aristacom's President and Chief Executive Officer Charles D. Kissner: ''Rockwell is a leading vendor of call management systems. We are proud of our partnership with this fine company and look forward to enabling users of IBM and compatible mainframes to use their resources in the most strategic way possible.''

SCIL Galaxy, together with Aristacom's SCIL ICP (Intelligent Call Processor), brings advanced teleservicing features to existing customer applications. These features include predictive dialing, automatic customer record lookups, automatic customer call-back, synchronized voice/data delivery to the desktop, simultaneous voice/data transfer and/or conference and many others.

''Rockwell is proud to include Aristacom in our Development Partners Program '' said Richard Beyer, vice president and general manager of Rockwell's Switching Systems.

''We regard them as an important member of this group of vendors dedicated to providing Total Transaction Call Processing solutions. Total Transaction Call Processing is Rockwell's strategy for combining information and telecommunications technology so that users of our ACDs can take advantage of the automation capabilities available today.''

Beyer said: ''The agreement strengthens Rockwell's role in the IBM arena. It allows our customers to more tightly incorporate their mainframe applications and databases into their call processing operations without having to spend the time and effort to understand the technical integration intricacies of this new area. These time and technology investment savings translate directly to competitive advantage.''

Rockwell Switching Systems, part of Rockwell Communication Systems, is a recognized leader in the design, development and manufacture of Automatic Call Distribution systems. Rockwell Switching Systems is headquartered in Downers Grove, Ill.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Aristacom International Inc., of Alameda Calif., has added three new investors and, as well, has raised additional funding from the company's existing venture capital backers.

The amount of the investment was not disclosed.

Aristacom's new investors include Institutional Venture Partners, Menlo Park, Calif., St. Paul Venture Capital Inc., St. Paul, Minn., and Ameritech Development Corp., Chicago. In addition, Aristacom's existing backers, Sevin Rosen, Bayless, of Dallas, and Accel Partners, of San Francisco, have increased their investments in the company.

Institutional Venture Partners is a private venture capital partnership with over $275 million in capital under management. St. Paul Venture Capital Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Co., a member of The St. Paul Companies. Ameritech Development Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Ameritech.

Founded in 1988, Aristacom provides mainframe and desktop software that enhances the integrated power of telephony and computing resources. As an early leader in this new market, Aristacom has been shipping products for over a year.

The products link and coordinate computers and telephony systems enabling companies to offer faster, more effective and more personal service. After an Aristacom installation, customers are served faster and more professionally while agents spend more time in customer relations and less time manipulating the phone and computer systems.

Service and productivity improvements are not the only gains. Companies find their service agents like their jobs better because they are relieved of many of the frustrating technical tasks and tedious, repetitive information-gathering steps associated with their work.

Fogelsong will join Aristacom's board of directors. This board is chaired by Dixon Doll of Accel Partners. Sevin, Rosen, Bayless is represented on the board by Jon Bayless and Ron Brittian.

For St. Paul Venture Capital, the investment decision was also a natural extension of their current interests in ISDN and telephony networking companies. Aristacom has been using ISDN to improve both data and voice communications.

Aristacom provides products to many market segments, including financial, insurance, travel, manufacturing, distribution, retail and customer service.

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CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Pro-Dex Inc. (NASDAQ:PDEX), a dental management company headquartered in Citrus Heights, reported the following results for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Total company revenues increased nine percent over the previous fiscal year. During the first five months of the 1989 fiscal year, the company operated nine locations. Four unprofitable centers were sold in November of 1988 and the company has operated the remaining five locations since that time.

The dramatic increase in the company's profitability results largely from reduced overhead and tight cost controls that were put in place when the company reorganized to manage the fewer number of locations.

According to Dr. M. Larry Kyle, vice president and general manager, ''We met our goals of increasing revenues and returning the company to profitability. We are optimistic about the current year as we are adding additional specialty services and continuing to practice tight cost controls.''

Pro-Dex Inc.
Fiscal Year Ended 6/30/90

	12 Months	
	1990	1989
Revenues	2,227,422	2,048,071
Net income (loss)	254,708	(493,995)
Income (loss) per share	.18	(.40)

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MOUNT VERNON, NY (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Lillian Vernon Corporation (AMEX:LVC) Wednesday reported results for the second quarter of fiscal 1991, ended August 25.

Revenues for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 were $25.5 million, compared to $26.7 million in the same period last year. For the quarter, net income was $241,000 or $.03 per share, compared to $541,000 or $.06 per share, earned in the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

Revenues for the first half of fiscal 1991 were $55.5 million compared to $56.1 million for the first half of the prior year. For the first six months of fiscal 1991, net income was $1.6 million or $.18 per share compared to $1.8 million or $.20 per share for the first half of fiscal 1990. The results reflect the Company's recent 3-for-2 stock split.

The Company attributed the softness in its results to an overall slowdown in consumer spending resulting from concerns about the economy and current world events.

Lillian Vernon Corporation is a specialty catalog company that markets gift, household, decorative and children's items. During fiscal 1990, Lillian Vernon mailed more than 121 million catalogs in 15 editions and filled over 4 million customer orders.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Stratus Computer Inc. of Marlboro, Mass., U.S.A., Wednesday announced that it has signed a long-term OEM (original equipment manufacturer) agreement with NEC Corp., of Tokyo, giving NEC non-exclusive rights to sell Stratus' UNIX-based, fault-tolerant XA 2000 Continuous Processing Systems worldwide.

According to the terms of the agreement, NEC, as OEM, will sell Stratus' forthcoming reduced instruction set (RISC-based) computers. The computers will be equipped with Stratus' FTX (UNIX System V) operating system software.

Targeting the telecommmunications market, NEC will use Stratus systems in a variety of applications, integrated with various NEC telecommunications systems. For example, NEC will integrate the Stratus systems with its NEAX 61 central office switch equipment. Together, they will be marketed by NEC to telephone service providers as a delivery vehicle for advanced applications,

such as: 800 and 900-number services; calling card verification; and private virtual network services (i.e., providing network services for businesses).

This class to telephony applications -- which addresses some of the fastest-growing segments of the computer and telecommunications markets -- requires continuous computer availability (i.e. 24-hour-a-day uptime). Stratus' ''fault tolerant'' hardware and online service technology are specifically designed to provide this level of performance.

NEC will employ telecommunications hardware and software products -- now under development and testing at Stratus -- including: Signalling System 7 (SS7) and CCITT/7 software; interfacing hardware and software for Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN); and special XA2000 packaging and power that complies with voice and data requirements worldwide.

The primary market for the combined NEAX61-XA2000 product includes telephone service providers, such as PTT (Postal, Telephone and Telegraph) authorities worldwide and Regional Bell Operating Companies in the U.S.

NEC Corp. is a leading global supplier of communications systems and equipment; computers and industrial electronic systems; electron devices, including semiconductor devices; home electronics products; and value-added network (VAN) information services. NEC's research and development, production, marketing and service activities are based on its synergistic concept of ''C&C,'' the integration of computers and communications.

Stratus Computer Inc. is a leading supplier of fault-toleant systems for critical online computing applications, such as online transaction processing and online data communication and telecomunications applications. The company offers the broadest range of fault-tolerant systems and maintains the highest standard for computer reliability.

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LAUREL, MS (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Sanderson Farms Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SAFM) Wednesday announced that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 7-1/2 cents per share payable Oct. 22, 1990, to stockholders of record on Oct. 9, 1990.

Sanderson Farms Inc. is engaged in the production, processing, marketing and distribution of fresh and frozen chicken and other prepared food items. Its shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol SAFM.

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BRIGHTON, MA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Grove Bank for Savings (NASDAQ: GROV) announced Wednesday that the board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of nine cents per share on the 1,470,417 shares outstanding. The dividend is payable Oct. 22, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 8, 1990.

When announcing the vote Thomas R. Venables, president and chief executive officer stated that "the continuing profitability of the bank and high level of capital were positive factors in the decision to maintain our dividend program."

Grove Bank's total assets at June 30, 1990 were $207.3 million and stockholder's equity was $26.1 million, or 12.59 percent of assets. Book value per share was $17.75 on June 30, 1990.

Grove Bank, a Massachusetts-chartered stock savings bank became public in August, 1986. The bank's deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) and the Deposit Insurance Fund of Massachusetts (DIFM).

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BRANFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Echlin Inc. (NYSE: ECH) has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 17.5 cents per common share.

Chairman Frederick J. Mancheski made the announcement. The dividend will be payable Oct. to shareholders of record on Oct. 5.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Zenox Inc. (NASDAQ:ZENO) Wednesday announced that it has contracted to purchase 100 percent of Ritecare Inc., a Georgia-based nursing home managment company, as well as the Hallmark Nursing Home, located in Warner Robins, Ga.

A Zenox subsidiary, Carehaven Homes Inc., itself a healthcare management

company, will actually acquire and merge the business of Ritecare into its own. Carehaven Homes has assumed full management responsibilities of Hallmark's 126 bed-facility already.

Terms of the acquisition require Zenox to pay $1.9 million in cash for the facility and management company, as well as assume certain of their liabilities, according to Richard English, president and chief executive officer of Zenox.

This further expands the Zenox healthcare division and is expected to add approximately $2 million in revenues plus an estimated $250,000 of pre-tax net income to Zenox annually, according to English.

Zenox is a diversified USA holding company with existing USA subsidiaries engaged in manufacturing, healthcare, communications, car rental franchise operations, investments and construction industries. Zenox has undergone significant growth in the past 16 months, primarily through an aggressive program of acquisitions.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The Berwind Group announced Wednesday that it has established a financial services group -- its fifth major business area.

The new organization, Berwind Financial Group, will provide investment banking services to middle market and large corporate clients, as well as make merchant banking investments.

Berwind Financial Group's investment banking services will specialize in mergers and acquisitions, valuations, fairness opinions, financial advisory services and private placements of securities (including senior and subordinated debt, and equity).

In the merchant banking area, the new group will act as principal focusing on acquisition of businesses for investment purposes.

William A. Frack Jr. will head the new group as its president. Frack, who was instrumental in establishing the Berwind Financial Group Inc. has more than 20 years' experience in middle market investment and merchant banking.

Prior to joining Berwind, he was president of CoreStates Investment Banking. Earlier, he served as president of Blunt Ellis & Loewi Capital Co.; vice president of corporate development, Jim Walter Corp. and was previously

associated with Smith Barney & Co.

The Berwind Group's origins date back to 1874 when the Berwind-White Coal Mining Co. began operations. Over the years, through acquisition and internal growth, Berwind diversified into natural resources, industrial products, real estate, pharmaceutical and health care and now, financial services.

Berwind is a large privately-held corporation with 30 subsidiaries operating in 17 countries.

Berwind Financial Group Inc. will be located at 1500 Market St., Philadelphia, Pa., 19102. (215/563-2800)

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that effective Wednesday the Common Shares and Warrants of Go-Video Inc., Scottsdale, Arizona, will be listed on the Exchange and trade under the symbols: VCR and VCR.WS.

Go-Video has 8,373,000 Common Shares and 1,947,000 Common Stock Purchase Warrants outstanding.

The Common Shares and Warrants of Go-Video were previously traded on NASDAQ under the Symbols: GOVO and GOVOW.

Go-Video Inc. designed, engineered and recently introduced the VCR-2, the first dual-deck video cassette recorder marketed in the United States. The Company has announced that it has received orders from distributors for 30,000 VCR-2 recorders. Initial introduction of the VCR-2 has been made at such quality retailers as Sharper Image, Hammacher Schlemmer and The Broadway.

For further information about Go-Video, please contact Eric Schedeler, President, at 602/998-3400, Richard Cooper of Strategic Growth International at 212/826-9622 or Lisa Kravitz of the American Stock Exchange at 212/306-1632.

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BELLINGHAM, WA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - V. Lawrence Evans, president of Horizon Bank (NASDAQ: HRZB), Wednesday announced that the bank's board of directors declared a regular cash dividend of 7.5 cents per share payable Oct. 25 to shareholders of record Oct. 9.

Horizon is a state-chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank with eight offices serving Whatcom, Skagit and Snohomish counties.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Donald E. Webber has been named president of Kemper Sales Company (KSC), announced Richard A. Redeker, chairman of KSC.

He succeeds Thomas J. Mackimm, who is retiring at the end of this year.

According to Redeker, Webber will oversee the day-to-day activities and operations of Kemper Sales Company. ''In his 15 years in the business, Don has demonstrated outstanding leadership ability and has proven himself as an excellent manager,'' said Redeker. ''We are tremendously excited about having a person of his caliber lead our sales organization in the 1990s.''

Most recently, Webber was senior vice president and director of sales for MFS Financial Services in Boston, where he was responsible for overseeing the activities of five sales departments, which included MFS's 60 field regional vice presidents. He also served on MFS's Policy Committee. In addition, he was the national accounts manager for all of MFS's major distributors throughout the country. Before that, Webber was vice president and national sales manager.

Before joining MFS in 1980, Webber was a mutual fund product manager with Northwestern National Life (NWNL) in Minneapolis. He has also been a broker with Merrill Lynch in Minneapolis.

Webber is a graduate of St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota.

Kemper Sales Company is the sales and distribution arm of Kemper Financial Services and Kemper Investors Life Insurance Company (KILICO).

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VALENCIA, CA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - 3D Systems Inc., a subsidiary of 3-D Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: TDSSF; VSE: TDS.V), has filed a patent infringement claim against Quadrax Corp. and Quadrax Laser Technologies in United States District Court in Providence, R.I., alleging infringement of United States Reexamination Patent No. B1 4,575,330 and U.S. Patent No. 4,929,402.

The claim follows an earlier action by Quadrax Laser Technologies seeking a declaration that its Mark 1000 laser modeling system does not infringe 3D's patents.

After a review of Quadrax's product descriptions in light of Quadrax's assertions, 3D has now alleged that both Quadrax Corp. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Quadrax Laser Technologies, have infringed certain 3D patent rights, directly, indirectly, or both through activities to date taken in connection with the Mark 1000 laser modeling system and past use of other infringing laser modeling equipment.

3D is actively pressing forward with the suit at this time and intends to vigorously pursue its claims of patent infringement.

3D Systems Inc. is a California company formed in March 1986 to develop, manufacture and market equipment which produces plastic models from solid modeling CAD data.

The company's StereoLithography process currently utilizes an ultra-violet laser beam which passes over a vat of liquid polymer, hardening the liquid wherever the beam impinges on the liquid, so that it creates a solid, three-dimensional object which conforms exactly to the stored computer design.

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OAKLAND, N.J.(SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Russ Berrie & Co. Inc. (NYSE:RUS) announced Wednesday that it has acquired Bright of America, located in Summersville, W.Va., according to Russell Berrie, chairman of the board.

Bright of America manufactures and markets gift products to fundraising organizations. The company has produced some of Russ' printed products over the last 15 years.

Russ Berrie and Co. designs and markets an extensive variety of impulse gifts to retail stores worldwide. The company's line of over 10,000 products encompasses both everyday and seasonal gift items including stuffed animals, ceramic mugs, porcelain ensembles, picture frames, figurines, keychains, magnets, greeting cards, posters and school and stationery merchandise.

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TORONTO (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Bramalea Ltd. Wednesday announced its financial results for the nine months ended July 31 which included a provision for the diminution in value of certain land investments.

For the nine months Bramalea generated cash from operations of $112.3 million or $1.52 per common share compared with $115.8 million or $1.67 per common share in the corresponding 1989 period.

During the quarter, the company completed a comprehensive review of its land investments to ensure the book cost reflects the realities of today's market conditions. As a result of this review, management is satisfied that in total the current value of land is well above book cost.

This provision has resulted in an after-tax charge of $115.2 million against earnings in the third quarter creating a net loss of $68.8 million ($1.01 per common share) for the nine months. Sites affected by this provision are located primarily in the Toronto area, which is experiencing a cyclical downturn.

Bramalea's diversified portfolio of income producing assets is well leased and provides a strong underpinning to the capital base of the company. At over $800 million, this base continues to be one of the largest in the industry and would be substantially higher if it reflected the current value of the company's assets.

The portfolio includes Trilea Centres Inc., with one of the largest shopping centre operations in Canada, totalling 14 million square feet in 28 centres. These centres are beginning to benefit from Trilea's recent expansion and renovation program, with the growth in retail sales in the current year outperforming the industry as a whole.

Commercial developments are proceeding on schedule and have a high level of preleasing. Certain new developments have been deferred and all new projects will be considered in the light of current economic conditions and preleasing levels.

In the first nine months of the current fiscal year, Bramalea closed the sale of 1,347 housing units, compared with 2,149 closings in the 1989 period.

Closings for the 1990 fiscal year are estimated at 1,700 units. The general and administrative costs connected to these activities have been reduced as part of a company-wide program to reduce costs and overhead expenses.

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UPPER SADDLE RIVER, N.J.(SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Union announced Wednesday that it has signed an agreement to interconnect its electronic mail system with Sweden via international X.400 standards.

Service is expected to be available in mid-November. The new interconnection will be made between Western Union 400 (SM) service and Sweden's TEDE400/Telebox service, allowing Western Union's E-mail subscribers to exchange messages with customers of Teledelta, the Swedish electronic mail service. This is the fourth international agreement for X.400 service to be completed by Western Union. The Company also has announced X.400 interconnections with most of the major public E-mail systems in the United States.

Western Union 400 service is fully integrated with the Company's EasyLink (R) public messaging services, which give users worldwide delivery capability via fax, telex and electronic mail, as wll as access to more than 900 online databases.

''This link with Sweden is another significant step in Western Union's policy of forming interconnections with major public electronic messaging systems throughout the world,'' said Donald Casey, Product Manager for Western Union 400 service.

''Our agreement will facilitate international communications for Western Union subscribers who communicate with major companies in Sweden as well as for Swedish companies that need to reach the extensive array of corporations on the Western Union system,'' he added.

Western Union provides a broad range of messaging, financial and other services, both domestically and internationally, to meet specific needs of business customers and individual consumers. The Company is the leading provider of public electronic mail services, which enable business customers to reach more than seven million electronic mail, fax and telex users worldwide.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Wednesday announced arrangements with five telecommunications organizations to expand international virtual private network capability.

The arrangements are with France Telecom, Regie des Telegraphes et Telephones (RTT) in Belgium, Mercury Communications Ltd. in the United Kingdom, Kokusai Denshin Denwa Co. Ltd. of Japan, and Unitel of Canada.

A virtual private network (VPN) gives users many of the benefits available with dedicated private networks. However, until now only very large companies - the Fortune 50 - could justify the cost of international dedicated networks.

Now, even mid-sized companies - the Global 1000 and more - with calling volumes of more than two hours a day can take advantage of VPN technology to enhance their global business and reduce international communications costs.

VPN users can, for example, design their own private seven-digit dialing plan for faster calling between their business offices, sending voice, facsimile, and voiceband data between any of the participating telecom administrations.

This expansion of AT&T's Global Software Defined Network (GSDN) represents a significant step in AT&T's Global Networking vision. GSDN connections are expected to grow to 15 countries within two years.

"With today's announcement, we can now provide VPN capability to nearly 85 percent of the Global 1000 companies," said Frank Ianna, vice president of Marketing for AT&T International Communications Services.

"It's another step toward keeping our commitment to meet our customers' international networking needs. We now can provide these important services cost effectively to a much broader base of multi-national companies," he said.

During the coming year, AT&T plans to announce several GSDN features that will let customers use a wide range of network options as their businesses globalize. The new arrangements announced today are part of AT&T's plan to provide GSDN service with the greatest possible number of communications carriers worldwide.

"As part of our GSDN growth, AT&T is pursuing an open international architecture for Virtual Private Networks," said Ray Butkus, director of International Business Services for AT&T International Communications Services.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T and British Telecom Wednesday announced the availability of the international virtual private network connection between AT&T's Global Software Defined Network (GSDN) service and BT's International FeatureNet service.

The GSDN/International FeatureNet connection will provide voice, facsimile and voiceband data communications up to 9.6 kilobits per second (kbps). Similar to private networks, GSDN features fast call setup times and high quality transmission, but with improved price performance.

This is the second international virtual private network connection available between AT&T's Global Software Defined Network service and British Telecom. Previously, AT&T established GSDN connectivity to the UK through British Telecom's International CityDirect service.

AT&T offers two access options to the GSDN/International FeatureNet connection. Current Software Defined Network (SDN) users can access GSDN as part of their SDN service, or dedicated GSDN access can be provided to non-SDN users who want to expand their corporate networks to the UK. This option is also attractive to UK businesses that want to expand their networks to the U.S.

''With the addition of the International FeatureNet connection, we offer businesses with significant calling to the UK a choice of high quality services at lower costs. The International FeatureNet connection can be ordered right now for availability starting in December,'' said Doug Macbeth, AT&T Manager, GSDN.

When compared to AT&T's direct dialed international calling, Global Software Defined Network prices for a typical business call can represent a 44 percent savings. Savings over PRO(sm) WATS and MEGACOM(R) WATS average 38 and 26 percent respectively.

The new International FeatureNet allows companies that already have a domestic virtual private network in the U.S. to connect into it from the UK and to use a compatible numbering plan.

'' "We expect International FeatureNet's flexibility and added features to be very attractive to businesses on both sides of the Atlantic,'' said Ken Durling, Manager International Voice Business Services, British Telecom.

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BASKING RIDGE, NJ (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Wednesday announced it has paid $12 million to purchase a portion of a transpacific fiber-optic cable that is currently under construction.

AT&T will use the North Pacific Cable for a variety of international telecommunications services.

This second transpacific fiber-optic cable is scheduled to be put into service in early 1991. Landing points for the $400 million cable are Pacific City, Oregon; Seward, Alaska; and Miura, Japan.

AT&T currently uses the first transpacific fiber-optic cable, completed in April, 1989, for connections between the U.S. mainland and Hawaii, Japan, Guam Hong Kong, the Philippines, Taiwan and Korea.

AT&T has already begun work on what will be a third Transpacific fiber-optic cable scheduled for completion in October, 1992. AT&T also uses satellite facilities to provide additional analog and digital circuits to Pacific Rim countries.

''By providing services over the North Pacific Cable in addition to other facilities, we increase our ability to provide our customers with diverse routing options for their international private line circuits,'' said Elaine Kaup, Deputy Director -- AT&T International Dedicated Services. ''This capability is important to those customers with critical communications requirements between the U.S. and the Pacific Rim.''

In addition to private line services, AT&T will carry by North Pacific Cable a wide array of switched services such as international long distance service, Switched Digital International and international virtual private line service.

AT&T's Switched Digital International provides transmission speeds of 56 and 64 kilobits per second and is ideal for video conferencing, high-speed facsimile, electronic data transfer, digitized voice and computer aided engineering. Pricing is usage sensitive, making it ideal for occasional uses.

AT&T's version of international virtual network service, AT&T Global Software Defined Network services allow businesses to design their own private dialing

plan for calls within the network. It features fast call-set-up times, high-quality transmission and greater management over internal communications.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Witco Corp. (NYSE:WIT) has engaged Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc. to assist the company in the sale of its wholly owned subsidiary, The Richardson Co.

Richardson is the largest independent nationwide manufacturer of injection molded plastic and rubber battery containers and accessories utilized primarily by battery manufacturers supplying the automotive, trucking, commercial and recreation markets. In 1989, The Richardson Co. had sales of $66.3 million.

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NASHUA, NH (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Nashua Corp. (NYSE:NSH) Wednesday announced that it has acquired PHD Computer Services Inc., a remanufacturer of Canon cartridges, based in Brentwood, N.H.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed. The company indicated that current annual revenues of PHD are less than $5 million.

''The acquisition of PHD establishes Nashua in the emerging marketplace for remanufactured cartridges for laser printers,'' said Charles E. Clough, president and chief executive officer. ''PHD's technical and manufacturing capabilities, combined with our process expertise and established distribution channels, position Nashua to actively participate in one of the fastest-growing areas of office supplies.''

Cartridge remanufacturing involves replacing the worn parts, installing a new drum, and replenishing the cartridge with new toner. Properly remanufactured

cartridges offer performance characteristics equal to those of new cartridges.

Canon cartridges are used in more than 80 percent of all laser printers sold today. Prior to the emergence of cartridge ''recharging,'' businesses were throwing away these cartridges and buying new ones for as much as $100.00 each. Purchasing remanufactured cartridges results in substantial savings for businesses and is ecologically preferred to disposing cartridges after a single use.

Nashua Corp. provides a diverse mix of products and services which includes coated paper products, computer products, office supplies and photofinishing services.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Vulcan Materials Co. (NYSE:VMC) at a regular meeting held Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share on its common stock payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 26, 1990.

Vulcan is a producer of industrial materials and commodities with significant positions in two industries. It is the nation's foremost producer of construction aggregates and a leading chemicals manufacturer, producing a diversified line of chlorinated solvents and other industrial chemicals.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Wednesday announced it has begun shipments of an enhanced edition of its 1-2-3 Release 3.1 spreadsheet designed specifically for users in the government market.

The 1-2-3 Release 3.1 Government Edition combines new features requested by PC users in government agencies with an easy-to-use, WYSIWYG (What-You-See-Is-What-You-Get) graphical environment, powerful analytic tools, and advanced spreadsheet publishing.

Features unique to the 1-2-3 Release 3.1 Government Edition include spreadsheet file translation capabilities for Multiplan version 4.0, Enable version 2.0, and SuperCalc version 4.0, enabling government users who work with different spreadsheet programs to easily exchange information with the

best-selling 1-2-3.

The product also includes Sideways, an add-in product from Funk Software that allows 1-2-3 users to print wide reports on dot matrix printers, and a DataLens Driver that provides direct access to information residing on Microsoft SQL Server databases.

"Lotus is committed to delivering applications that are tailored to the needs of the government marketplace," said Tom Ruff, general manager of Lotus Federal Marketing.

"The 1-2-3 Release 3.1 Government Edition delivers on this commitment by providing the best in spreadsheet publishing and analytical power, combined with the translation, sideways printing, and data access capabilities government users need."

1-2-3 Release 3.1 offers the widest range of publishing, presentation, and analytic tools found in any spreadsheet available today. From within the graphical environment of 1-2-3 Release 3.1, users can perform all spreadsheet operations without leaving the familiar 1-2-3 program.

This includes the ability to modify or enter spreadsheet information, add color, change fonts, and print presentation-quality output. In addition, the product maintains keystroke, macro, and data compatibility with earlier versions of 1-2-3.

The 1-2-3 Release 3.1 Government Edition includes a .PIF file that configures the product for use with Windows 3.0. Users can launch Release 3.1 from an icon that is supplied with the spreadsheet and transfer data between applications through the Windows clipboard.

When operating under Windows 3.0 386/Enhanced mode, 1-2-3 Release 3.1 uses Windows memory management facilities and allows 1-2-3 users to take advantage of task-switching capabilities.

In addition to delivering government-specific editions, Lotus maintains an electronic bulletin board for federal government users that provides access to information about Lotus products, including schedules for Lotus' weekly government product seminars. Users can also download printer drivers and demonstrations of Lotus products. The access number for the bulletin board service is (703) 527-2282.

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS, PRICING, AND UPGRADES

1-2-3 Release 3.1 requires an IBM PC AT, PS/2, Compaq or compatible (with an 80286 or higher microprocessor), a hard disk, one megabyte of available system RAM, and DOS 3.0 or higher.

The suggested retail price of the 1-2-3 Release 3.1 Government Edition, which is not copy protected, is $595. Network Server and Node Editions of the product will be available in the fourth quarter of 1990 at a suggested retail price of $795 and $495, respectively.

All customers who purchased 1-2-3 Release 3.0 before May 7, 1990, may upgrade to Release 3.1 for a $35 materials and handling charge. Registered users who buy or have bought 1-2-3 Release 3.0 on or after May 7, 1990, are entitled to a free upgrade to Release 3.1 through December 31, 1990.

1-2-3 Release 2.2 users may upgrade for a suggested retail price of $75 through December 31, 1990. Registered users of 1-2-3 Release 1, 1A, 2, and 2.01 may upgrade to 1-2-3 Release 3.1 for a suggested retail price of $150.

The government editions of 1-2-3 are available through Lotus Authorized Government Resellers, including 800 Software, Egghead Discount Software, GTSI, and Softmart. For more upgrade information, users may call 1-800-343-5414.

Lotus Development Corp. is the leading provider of applications software for personal computers and information services delivered on CD-ROM, and is a worldwide supplier of applications software for workstations, minicomputers, and mainframes. NOTE: All prices and terms are for the U.S.A. only.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The directors of Washington Gas Light Company Wednesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 51 cents per share of common stock.

The quarterly dividend is payable Nov. 1, to stockholders of record on Oct. 10. This is the 139th consecutive year for which dividends have been paid.

Regular dividends also were declared Wednesday on all classes of the company's preferred stock as follows:

Class of Serial Preferred Stock	Dividend Per Share
$4.25 Series	$1.06-1/4
$5.00 Series	$1.25
$4.60 Series	$1.15
$4.80 Series	$1.20
$4.36 Series	$1.09

Dividends on preferred stock also are payable Nov. 1, to stockholders of

record on Oct. 10.

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ZAANDAM, The Netherlands (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Koninklijke Ahold nv, one of Europe's largest food retailers and one of the top 10 supermarket operators in the USA, has agreed to acquire the Impodra chain of liquor stores in The Netherlands from Allied Spirits & Wines Nederland bv. The transfer is expected to take place at the end of 1990.

The Impodra retail outlets will be integrated into Ahold's Gall & Gall chain of liquor stores, which, together with the Etos health and beauty aids and Pharmatos pharmaceutical activities, form the Ahold Specialty Business Group.

Impodra has 70 retail outlets in The Netherlands, approximately 200 employees and had revenues of about Dfl 100 million (over $50 million at year-end 1989 exchange rates) in 1989.

Gall & Gall is Holland's leading liquor store chain with 270 stores, 950 employees and sales of Dfl 350 million (some $180 million) in 1989.

Koninklijke Ahold nv is a leading international food retailer. In The Netherlands, Ahold's Albert Heijn subsidiary is the food retailing market leader. Ahold also has considerable interests in the United States where it is the parent company of three successful retail chains, BI-LO, Giant Food Stores and First National Supermarkets. In Europe, Ahold is an active member of cooperative alliances linking major food retailers in nine European countries.

Ahold's shares trade on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange and may be accessed on the Reuters Equities 2000 service under the symbol AHLN.AS and on Quotron under the symbol AHOLN.EU. They also trade in ADR form in the US (symbol 3KAHLY on the electronic OTC Bulletin Board).

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TAMPA, FL (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Eastern Environmental Services Inc. (NASDAQ:EESI) Wednesday announced that revenues for the year ended June 30 increased to a record $19,221,910 as compared to $18,798,224 for the previous

year.

Net income for the year decreased to $802,184 from $1,057,046 in 1989 and net income per share decreased from 25 cents to 19 cents.

The decrease in net income was caused by negative results from the Company's asbestos removal division due to severe industry competition, losses on several 1989 summer public school projects, and increases in worker's compensation insurance costs caused by state mandated retroactive rate adjustments and other related costs aggregating $280,000.

The Company's net income for fiscal year 1990 can be attributed to its landfill, waste hauling, and laboratory services subsidiaries. The Company is taking steps to minimize any adverse impact its asbestos removal division may have on future profitability of its overall operations.

Reveunes and net income for the fourth quarter were $3,668,612 and $175,987 respectively, as compared to $5,559,969 and $300,931 for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1989. The Company expects a very strong first quarter in fiscal year 1991 ending Sept. 30 from its landfill, waste hauling, and laboratory subsidiaries.

Revenues from the Company's second landfill acquisition in mid-July 1990 will be included in first quarter results.

At June 30, the Company had working capital of $5,860,938 and a current ratio of 3.3 to 1 compared to working capital of approximately $6.8 million and a current ratio of 4.2 to 1 at June 30, 1989.

EESI has recently signed options to purchase several landfills in the Eastern United States. The Company is currently reviewing over 24 landfill and waste hauling acquisitions in 12 states. The Company plans to make several landfill and waste hauling acquistions within the next several months.

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Orbit Instrument Corp. (NASDAQ:ORBT) Wednesday announced the results of operations for the twelve months ended June 30, 1990.

Orbit reported net earnings for the twelve months ended June 30, 1990 of approximately $1,483,000 (16 cents per share) on net sales of approximately $57,226,000 as compared to a net loss of approximately $2,724,000 (29 cents per share) on net sales of approximately $50,689,000 for the comparable period

of the prior fiscal year.

Earnings per share for fiscal 1990 includes 4 cents per share resulting form an extraordinary gain in connection with the company's branded apparel segment. Earnings per share for the prior fiscal year includes a loss of 29 cents per share resulting from the discontinuance of the company's voice response subsidiary.

Max Reissman, the president of the company, stated that the results demonstrated the initial success of the company's strategy to reduce its dependence on the defense industry and develop other business segments to add to the company's growth.

Orbit is a Long Island based manufacturer of customized electronic components and subsystems for military and non military governmental applications. Its subsidiaries are Orbit Semiconductor, which is a state of the art manufacturer of customized semiconductors servicing the high reliability and quick turn around markets; and USA Classic which manufactures men's and boy's active wear under the ''Everlast'' name as a licensee of Everlast World's Boxing Headquarters Corp., childrens' garments under the ''Nautica'' trademark under license from Nautica Apparel Inc., all garments under the ''Riddell'' trademark under license from RHC Licensing Corp. and childrens' garments under the ''B.U.M. Equipment'' trademark under license from Chauvin International Ltd.

The following is a summary of the comparative results of operations for the twelve months ended June 30, 1990 and June 30, 1989.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - EQK Realty Investors I (NYSE:EKR) Wednesday announced that the company's board of trustees declared a quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share for the fourth quarter of 1990, payable on Jan. 31, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 17, 1990.

The company's real estate portfolio consists of three properties: Harrisburg East Mall in Harrisburg, Pa.; Castleton Commercial Park in Indianapolis, Ind.; and Peachtree-Dunwoody Pavilion in Atlanta.

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WARREN, NJ (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Optical Data Corp., the Warren based electronic publisher, Wednesday announced its board of directors has accepted an investment and distribution proposal from Jostens Learning Corp. Under terms of the agreement, John Kernan, chairman and CEO of Jostens Learning, will join the Optical Data board.

"This is a great strategic fit for us," said William Clark, president and CEO of Optical Data. "In joining forces with Jostens Learning, we acquire capital to help fuel our rapid growth, expand our sales coverage into key new market segments and establish formal business links with a powerful, capable partner for joint product development efforts."

Optical Data is the foremost producer, publisher and distributor of educational videodiscs and multimedia products. Optical Data's "Windows on Science" program recently was recommended by the Texas Textbook Committee for statewide adoption.

If the recommendation is approved by the Texas State Board of Education in November, "Windows on Science" will become the first multimedia program to compete directly with traditional textbooks for state adoption funds. In addition to selling its own products, Optical Data also is the exclusive distributor of educational videodiscs for ABC News InterActive and the National Geographic Society.

Jostens Learning Corp. is the industry leader in educational technology. It develops, sells and services integrated learning systems and recently became the first educational software company to exceed annual sales of $100 million. Jostens Learning is wholly owned by Jostens Inc., of Minneapolis.

"We are very excited about this investment," said John Kernan. "The educational publishing industry will see extraordinary changes during the 1990s. Our association with Optical Data improves the strategic positioning of both companies." For more information, contact Pam Herber at Optical Data Corp., 30 Technology Drive, Warren, N.J. 07059, telephone: (908) 668-0022.

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TAMPA, FL (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Pharmacy Management Services, Inc. (NASDAQ:PMSV) announced Wednesday that Kevin J. McKeon, C.P.A., has been named Vice President and Chief Financial Officer.

McKeon joins Pharmacy Management Services from Home Shopping Network, Inc., where he most recently held the position of Corporate Controller. While with Home Shopping Network, he also served as Director of Special Projects and

Assistant Controller. Prior to joining that company, Mr. McKeon was Audit Manager with Laventhol & Horwath, and had been employed by Grant Thornton as Audit Supervisor. In commenting on the appointment, Mr. Cecil S. Harrell, President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, ''We are very pleased to have Kevin McKeon join PMSI, as he brings an important element to our Management Team. During his tenure at Home Shopping Network, the company grew from $160 million to over $1 billion in revenues. This provides him with invaluable experience in continuing our implementation of the financial controls and programs necessary to guide PMSI's continued growth and expansion.'' McKeon will report to Mr. William F. Chastain, Jr., Chief Operating Officer, and assumes the duties of CFO from Chastain.

In addition, Harrell announced the promotion of Loraine Daugherty to Vice President of Medical Device Operations. Harrell said, ''The promotion of Ms. Daugherty from Departmental Director demonstrates the Company's commitment to expanding its Technical Medicine Division operations and the overall continuing growth and development of PMSI's management organization structure.'' Daugherty will continue to report to Mr. Chastain, COO.

Pharmacy Management Services, Inc. is a leading independent national provider of medical cost containment services and products to workers' compensation payors and claimants and to physical therapy clinics in the rehabilitation product and services marketplace.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Daniel Wilhelm, formerly a partner in DW and Co., was named General Manager of Program Operations for Prime Network, it was announced Wednesday by Ed Frazier, Prime Network's president/chief executive officer.

Wilhelm will be headquartered at Prime Network's SportsCom operations center in Houston, and will be responsible for properly distributing Prime Network's programming to its regional affiliated sports networks.

Prime Network, the nation's largest sports programming group, reaches over 21 million cable homes through its affiliated regional sports networks.

Wilhelm comes to Prime Network from DW and Co. in Pittsburgh where he was a partner since January, 1990 in the management consulting production design firm for established television and video communications ventures. He was responsible for new business development in broadcast and non-broadcast programming.

As a management consultant, he helped various organizations establish television and video communication production opportunities. His list of clients included Penn State University, West Virginia University, CNG Industries, Xerox Corp. and Alcoa.

From 1986-89, Wilhelm was director of Facilities Sales for TPC Commuications/Channel One Ltd., a production facility and program distribution service entity in Pittsburgh. In that capacity, Wilhelm developed and implemented marketing plans along with managing the operations budget for the company's television production center.

Among his clients were Orion Television, Laurel Entertainment, Bill Cosby's Picture Pages, Buena Vista Television and MCA.

Wilhelm also developed the Penn State Sports Network, a television production package that centered on Penn State athletics. Wilhelm got his start in the television industry in 1984 as Director of Advertising and Sales for Total Communication Systems (TCS Sports) in Pittsburgh, a syndicated sports network.

During his three years with TCS, Wilhelm designed and implemented the advertising, promotion and merchandising programs for various sports properties in the network.

While at TCS, Wilhelm was credited with creating the Meadows Racing Network, an in-house viewership betting system still in operation today. As a result of Wilhelm's development, the track handle and viewership increased by over 40 percent.

Wilhelm started his career in 1979 with Proctor & Gamble in Cincinnati as a sales representative. Within one year, he was promoted to District Field Representative, assisting in new product introduction and special events planning. In 1981, he was promoted again to Unit Manager over package soaps and detergents.

A graduate of Penn State University, Wilhelm holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing and Business Administration.

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MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP, NJ (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Bellcore researchers have developed a unique, low-cost prototype device that can detect fires involving polyvinyl chloride (PVC) before there's smoke or even heat.

This device could help prevent many potentially dangerous and costly fires.

PVC, a common cable and wire insulation material, is widely used in large mainframe computer systems, in telephone company switching offices, in connecting personal computers, and in electrical wiring in virtually all homes and offices. The material is also used extensively for vinyl floor and wall coverings.

When PVC overheats or burns, it produces hydrogen chloride gas. This extremely corrosive gas can destroy electronic equipment not only in the same room as a fire but even several floors away, and can pose additional dangers to those responding to a fire.

Today, other sensors detect fires after they have ignited by ''seeing'' the smoke -- using ionization or ''light scattering'' technologies -- or by ''feeling'' the heat -- using thermal sensing devices.

Bellcore's new research prototype device ''senses'' a fire involving PVC in its incipient stage by detecting the presence of hydrogen chloride gas. This gas must be emitted before PVC burns.

Bellcore's experimental device uses as its active sensing element an inexpensive quartz crystal coated with zinc that is set to vibrate at a certain frequency. The sensor is attached to a small, palm-sized computer that monitors changes in the frequency of the vibration of the crystal. According to Neuburger, other sensors are more complex in terms of design and incorporate more costly materials.

Zinc was chosen because it represents one of the major metal finishes used in telecommunications equipment. This metal is corroded by hydrogen chloride gas forming zinc chloride which rapidly absorbs water from the air.

The added weight of the water and zinc-chloride residue on the surface of the quartz crystal changes the frequency at which the crystal vibrates. That change will set off an alarm, before flame or smoke is present.

Bellcore is testing its prototype device in telephone company switching offices in Kentucky, in collaboration with South Central Bell.

So far, laboratory tests at Bellcore have indicated that the sensor is very reliable, according to Neuburger. ''Feedback from the field study will be invaluable as we do further research on this technology,'' he noted.

Neuburger and his colleagues are remotely monitoring the sensors over the public telephone networks from several hundred miles. ''We're confident that if a condition that causes PVC wiring to overheat ever occurs, our sensors will let us know,'' notes Neuburger.

Bellcore provides research and other technical support to the telephone companies of Ameritech, Bell Atlantic, BellSouth, NYNEX, Pacific Telesis, Southwestern Bell Corp. and U S WEST, as well as Cincinatti Bell Telephone Co. and The Southern New England Telephone Co.

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#90269b0797 09/26/1990 ~Business Wire

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Champion International Corporation Wednesday filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a shelf registration statement covering $600 million of debt securities.

The securities may be offered from time to time in amounts and on terms to be determined at the time of sale. The company may sell the securities to or through underwriters, possibly including Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Salomon Brothers Inc, and also may sell the securities directly to other purchasers or through agents.

The company presently expects that the net proceeds from the sale of the securities may be used to pay at maturity a portion of its commercial paper and short-term notes, to reduce or refinance long-term debt, to finance capital expenditures or for general corporate purposes.

Champion is one of America's leading manufacturers of paper for business communications, commercial printing, publications and newspapers. Headquartered in Stamford, the company owns or controls 6.4 million acres of timberlands in the United States and is also a major manufacturer of plywood and lumber.

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#90269b0805 09/26/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The Quick & Reilly Group Inc., reported earnings of 36 cents a share or $3,411,392 for the second quarter ending Aug. 31, 1990 vs. 34 cents a share or $3,224,286 for the previous year's second quarter.

Revenues increased 15 percent to $30,159,458 from $26,256,057.

A spokesman for the firm said that the crisis in the Mideast had significant bearing on the quarterly results.

The retail side of the business experienced a surge in August, while the specialist operation was hurt by the volatility in that market.

JJC Specialist Corp. was allocated one new stock in the quarter - Cash America Investments Inc.

The company repurchased 100,500 shares of its stock in August and September. This buyback was authorized in 1987 for up to one million shares.

The Quick & Reilly Group Inc.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ending	
	Aug. 31, 1990 (Unaudited)	Aug. 25, 1989 (Unaudited)
Revenues	$30,159,458	$26,256,057
Net income	3,411,392	3,224,286
Earnings per share	$ .36	$ .34
Weighted number of shares outstanding	9,451,452	9,452,068

	Six Months Ending	
	Aug. 31, 1990 (Unaudited)	Aug. 25, 1989 (Unaudited)
Revenues	$58,695,518	$50,621,261
Net income	6,712,589	6,144,485
Earnings per share	$ .71	$ .65
Weighted number of shares outstanding	9,451,740	9,452,068

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#90269b0818 09/26/1990 ~Business Wire

LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Leslie E. Goodman and Rosemarie B. Greco have been elected president and chief executive officer of First Fidelity Bank, N.A., New Jersey, of Newark, and Fidelity Bank, N.A., of Philadelphia, respectively, Tony Terracciano, chairman and chief executive officer of First Fidelity Bancorporation (NYSE:FFB), announced Wednesday.

Goodman, 47, a senior executive vice president of the Bancorporation, a member of its Office of the Chairman and a director, is also responsible for First Fidelity Bank, N.A., North Jersey, of Totowa; Morris Savings Bank, of Morristown, and First Fidelity Bank, Princeton.

Greco, 44, also was elected a senior executive vice president of the

Bancorporation, a member of its Office of the Chairman and will be recommended for membership on the Bancorporation board of directors at its October meeting. She will also be responsible for First Fidelity Bank, N.A., South Jersey, of Burlington.

''Les and Rosemarie are both outstanding bankers, first-rate business managers and career First Fidelity employees, who know our markets very well,'' Terracciano said. ''Les has spent virtually all of his 24 years as a First Fidelity banker serving Central and North Jersey customers and Rosemarie's knowledge of the Philadelphia banking market has been acquired over more than 20 years of service.''

''They also know our institution well and their help will be invaluable as we move forward quickly toward full integration,'' Terracciano added.

Besides Terracciano, Goodman and Greco, Peter C. Palmieri, chief credit officer and vice chairman, and Wolfgang Schoellkopf, chief financial officer and vice chairman, are members of the Office of the Chairman.

Bancorporations's northeastern Pennsylvania unit, Merchants Bancorp Inc., composed of Merchants Bank, N.A., of Allentown, and Merchants Bank (North), of Wilkes-Barre, and headed by Robert W. Knipe, chairman and chief executive officer, will report directly to Terracciano.

''We will continue to rely on Bob Knipe's experience and knowledge to keep us number one in the Lehigh Valley and northeastern Pennsylvania markets,'' Terracciano said.

''With Bob, Rosemarie and Les providing the leadership, we intend to prove that a fully-integrated banking company can continue to provide its customers and communities personal service and total commitment, the hallmarks of community banking,'' Terracciano added. ''Efficiency and scale need not be the enemies of good service and good citizenship but rather their allies.''

Goodman, of Lawrenceville, N.J., who began his career in 1966 as a management trainee with the predecessor First National State Bank of New Jersey, has served as chief executive officer of three First Fidelity units. From 1979 to 1981, he headed the Trenton-based First National State Bank of Central Jersey and from 1981 to 1987, First Fidelity Bank, N.A., County, of Hackensack, N.J. The Trenton and Hackensack units were merged into the Newark bank. From 1987 to 1988, he served as senior executive vice president and senior lending officer of the Newark bank. His most recent assignment has been as chief executive officer of Fidelity Bank, N.A., of Philadelphia.

Born in Jersey City, N.J., Goodman grew up in Elizabeth, N.J. He holds three degrees from Rutgers University: a summa cum laude bachelor's degree, a master's degree in management and a law degree. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Goodman is a director of the Greater Philadelphia First Corporation, the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Hill International Inc., WAWA Inc., and the World Affairs Council of Philadelphia. He is a member of both the New Jersey and Pennsylvania bars and is a member and former director of the Young Presidents' Organization.

Greco joined the Philadelphia bank in 1968 as a branch secretary and rose through staff and management ranks in several departments, including Community Banking, Operations and Human Resources.

In 1978, she was named vice president and director of Human Resources. In 1979, she was elected a senior vice president of the bank and in 1982, she was named head of Community Banking with responsibility for consumer services, the branch network and credit and fee-services to small and mid-sized businesses. She was elected an executive vice president in 1983 and president of the bank in January 1987.

She is the first and only woman to be admitted to the Association of Reserve City Bankers and she serves as a member of the Advisory Commission of the Pennsylvania State Department of Banking.

Greco's long record of community service includes membership on the Philadelphia Board of Education, 1985 to 1989, and membership on the City Planning Commission of Philadelphia from 1984 to 1985. She was the first chairperson and an original member of the Mayor of Philadelphia's Commission for Women. She has twice served by appointment of the Pennsylvania Governor on the Philadelphia Special Judiciary Nominating Panel.

Greco is a member of the board of directors of the Philadelphia Orchestra; a member of the Philadelphia board of directors of the State of Israel Bonds, and a member of the executive committee of the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce. She also is a director of the General Accident Insurance Company. Currently she is a member of and advisor to the Philadelphia Finance Association, Women's Way, the Girl Scouts of Greater Philadelphia and the Girl's Coalition of Southeastern Pennsylvania.

A life-long Philadelphian, Greco is a magna cum laude graduate of St. Joseph's University, Philadelphia, which she now serves as a trustee. She also holds an honorary doctor of law degree from Temple University.

First Fidelity, with $30 billion in assets and more than 500 offices in New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania, is among the nation's 25 largest banking companies.

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SOMERVILLE, MA. (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Central Cooperative Bank (NASDAQ:CEBK) announced Wednesday that it is likely to incur a significant loss resulting from it being the holder of a $1 million principal amount subordinated capital note of Sentry Federal Savings Bank, the Hyannis, Mass. -based institution declared insolvent and taken over by the Federal government last Friday, Sept. 21, 1990.

Central's net after tax loss on this investment could be as much as approximately $580,000. Central had been receiving interest payments on the note on a timely basis through the date of the insolvency.

''Even assuming this level of loss, Central Cooperative Bank remains a healthy bank with capital ratios significantly in excess of all regulatory requirements,'' stated chairman and chief executive officer of Central, Joseph R. Doherty.

As part of the government action, certain assets and liabilities of Sentry Federal Savings Bank have been assumed by a new bank, Sentry Savings Bank, F.S.B. Although it is impossible to determine whether the new bank will honor the subordinated capital note obligations, it is expected that a significant portion, if not all of the subordinated note obligations will be eliminated as part of the insolvency and government takeover process.

At July 31, 1990, Central had total assets of $242.6 million and stockholders' equity of $28.9 million, or 11.9 percent of total assets.

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#90269b0824 09/26/1990 ~Business Wire
HOUSTON (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of MAXXAM Inc. Wednesday named John M. Seidl president and John T. La Duc senior vice president and chief financial officer.

Seidl will continue as chairman and CEO of MAXXAM's Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp. subsidiary, and La Duc will continue as Kaiser vice president and CFO.

Commenting on Seidl's and La Duc's appointments, MAXXAM chairman and CEO Charles E. Hurwitz said, ''I stated when Mick Seidl came on board in January of 1989 that we felt very fortunate to have attracted a man with his broad business, government, and academic experience to be chairman of Kaiser during its new era of growth and profitability. Mick has lived up to all of our

expectations, and we are delighted to reward him with these new responsibilities at MAXXAM. John La Duc has played a key role at Kaiser Aluminum, and this new position is an excellent and deserved opportunity for him.''

Seidl, 51, joined Kaiser Aluminum in January 1989 as chairman and CEO. Before that, he served as president, chief operating officer, and a director of Enron Corp., a diversified energy-based corporation which operates America's largest natural gas pipeline network.

La Duc, 47, has served as vice president and CFO of Kaiser Aluminum since January of this year. He served as corporate treasurer beginning in 1987 and as vice president and treasurer beginning in 1989.

Seidl will succeed Dr. William C. Leone, 66, who announced in March that he would retire as MAXXAM president in September 1990. Leone will continue as a vice chairman, consultant to and director of MAXXAM and certain subsidiaries, concentrating on policies relating to MAXXAM's real estate and forest products businesses, and he will continue on the executive committees of MAXXAM, Kaiser Aluminum, and The Pacific Lumber Co. La Duc will succeed James V. Iaco Jr., who announced in June his intention to resign later this year.

MAXXAM (AMEX:MXM) is engaged in aluminum operations through Kaiser Aluminum, forest products operations through Pacific Lumber and real estate operations through several wholly owned subsidiaries.

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#90269b0826 09/26/1990 ~Business Wire

BUFFALO, N.Y. (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Universal Capital Inc. (OTC - pink sheets) announced that it had Wednesday completed the financing of its subsidiary Legacy Motors Inc. (''Legacy'').

A total of 500,000 shares of Legacy's common stock were sold in a private placement at $1 per share. After completion of the offering, there are 5 million shares of Legacy's common stock outstanding, of which 4,250,000 shares are owned by Universal Capital Inc.

The net proceeds of the private placement will be used to finance Legacy's entry into the business of purchasing and reselling used domestic and foreign Automobiles.

Universal Capital Inc. also announced that on Monday, Oct. 1, Thaddeus A. Wier Sr., its president, will begin full-time employment with Universal Capital Inc. and its subsidiaries. Wier had previously served on a part-time basis

only.

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#90269b0827 09/26/1990 ~Business Wire

PONZANO VENETO, ITALY (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Benetton Group's first half consoldated results for the six months ended June 30, 1990 broke the Lire 1,000 billion barrier, the company reported at today's Board Meeting.

Net sales for the period of Lire 1,046.2 billion (U.S. $853.1 million) represented a 25% increase from sales of Lire 836.3 billion (U.S. $682.0 million) last year. Operating income for the first six months of 1990 was Lire 138.2 billion (U.S. $112.7 million), compared to Lire 122.3 billion (U.S. $99.7 million) for the same period in 1989.

Consolidated sales of Lire 2,000 billion (U.S. $1,630.9 million) are expected for the full year. As of June 30, 1990, the Group employed more than 3,000 people.

''These results,'' commented Chairman Gilberto Benetton, ''confirm that the Group continues to be driven by in-depth market knowledge, advanced production technology and above all, by our extensive network of highly motivated representatives.''

Over Lire 17 billion (U.S. $13.9 million) was spent during the period to improve and expand production facilities, not only in Italy, but also in Spain and Brazil, where two new factories were recently completed.

Based in Italy, Benetton is a world leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of distinctive casual apparel for men, women and children. Its products are marketed principally under the brand name ''United Colors of Benetton.'' Benetton shares are listed on the Milan, Rome, Turin, Venice and Frankfurt Stock Exchanges, and are traded on the London Stock Exchange (Seaq International). The Company's American Depositary Shares are traded under the symbol ''BNG'' on the New York Stock Exchange and the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Benetton Group
CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF THE GROUP
FOR THE 1ST HALF OF 1990

1st half 1990	1st half 1989	Year 1989	1st half 1990
(in billions of lire)		(in millions of U.S. dollars)	

Net sales	1,046.2	836.3	1,657.5	853,135
Cost of sales	680.1	539.6	1,086.7	554,595
Gross Margin	366.1	296.7	570.8	298,540
Operating Income	138.2	122.3	225.3	112,697
Net Income	65.6	54.7	115.4	53,494

Number of items sold in thousands:

39,884 33,396 62,944

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#90269b0833 09/26/1990 ~Business Wire

TORONTO (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Moore Corp. Ltd. has announced a new system which can perform certain business form applications without using paper.

It is the hand-held intelligent terminal ''ASIST'' and is capable of handling both text and graphic data.

Moore and its joint venture in Japan, Toppan Moore Co., have been engaged in research and development to improve the efficiency of office automation. With the recent trend toward capacity expansion and high speed of computer and networking systems, many corporations are seriously pursuing the development of a strategic information system (SIS) as a core of their future strategies.

Under these circumstances, the accurate and timely collection of information and data input at the source are regarded as more important than ever before. Toppan Moore has successfully developed a new system combining a history of expertise in business forms, with a high level of electronic and computer technology.

The newly developed hand-held intelligent terminal, ASIST (Application Specific Integrated System Terminal) is designed not only to collect error-free data at the source of entry but also to provide operators with proper procedural guidelines. This system can be customized to accommodate the needs of a variety of industries.

The device is like a ''Portable Clipboard Computer'' and functions as special instruction notes, check list and job procedure management data collection, all of which the operator used to have to carry around separately.

Inforite Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Toppan Moore Co. Ltd. in Tokyo, Japan which in turn is a joint venture of Toppan Printing Co. in Japan and Moore Corp. Ltd. in Toronto.

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#90269b0834 09/26/1990 ~Business Wire
WESTFORD, MA (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - September 26, 1990--Concurrent Computer Corporation today announced the appointment of George H. Sampson as vice president of development. Mr. Sampson will be responsible for the company's worldwide product development functions with major locations in Massachusetts, New Jersey and England.

Denis R. Brown, CEO and president of Concurrent, commented, ''George brings an extensive background in the areas of software and systems development, both as a consultant and as a corporate executive, all necessary qualities for this key role.''

Mr. Sampson holds a Bachelor's of Science degree in Physics and a Master's in Business Administration from Fairleigh Dickinson University. He joined GTE's Information Systems Division immediately after obtaining his Bachelor's degree where he progressed to

director, systems and software. Mr. Sampson then moved to ITT's Defense Communications Division where he was director, software engineering and later senior program director of switching systems. In 1985, Mr. Sampson joined Productivity Products International as vice president, operations and development and subsequently formed his own software consulting company.

Concurrent Computer Corporation is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through the Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems Groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public-sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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Virginia Small or Brynett Stephen, 508/692-6200

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#90269b0844 09/26/1990 ~Business Wire
LAS VEGAS (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - United Gaming Inc. (NASDAQ:UGAM) announced Wednesday that the Chaparral Casino project of its United Coin Machine subsidiary has been put on indefinite hold.

Carole A. Carter, chief operating officer, attributed the project delay to an inability to obtain financing because of the uncertain nature of today's banking and financial markets.

Carter further stated the indefinite hold of the Chaparral will not have an effect on the other operations of the company.

Also, United Gaming announced it will file a fifteen day extension with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the submission of its Annual Report on Form 10-K.

United Gaming maintains a market leadership position as the largest gaming machine route operator. In addition to its gaming machine route operations, the company also manufactures and sells video and reel-type gaming devices in many areas of the world. United Gaming is also the operator of a casino and three gaming arcades in Nevada.

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or
Dewe Rogerson Inc., New York
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DOVER, NH (SEPT, 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Great Bay Bankshares Inc., (NASDAQ:GBBS) has declared a $.15 per share regular quarterly dividend payable Oct. 22, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Oct. 8, 1990.

Commenting on the company's decision to declare its eleventh quarterly dividend, Donald R. Hatt, president and chief executive officer, stated that, ''Although our strong capital position has permitted us to maintain our current level of dividend this quarter, the company continues to be affected by an adverse real estate market in New England and deteriorating economic conditions.

''As a result, management will be carefully evaluating whether a change in the Company's dividend policy is appropriate in future quarters.''

Great Bay Bankshares Inc., with 2,733,750 shares of common stock outstanding, is the parent holding company of Southeast Bank for Savings, a $300 million, FDIC insured, full-service community bank; and Constitution Trust Co., which has $55 million of assets under management.

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#90269b0852 09/26/1990 ~Business Wire

RALEIGH, NC (SEPT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - First Citizens BancShares Inc. has agreed in principle to purchase Brevard Federal Savings and Loan Association, according to a joint announcement made Wednesday by James B. Hyler Jr., president of First Citizens BancShares Inc., and Jerry H. Jerome, president of Brevard Federal Savings and Loan Association.

Terms of the agreement provide for the simultaneous conversion of Brevard Federal from a mutual institution to a stock company and First Citizens BancShares' acquisition of the savings and loan. Brevard Federal will be merged into First Citizens Bank, the wholly owned subsidiary of First Citizens BancShares, at a later date.

The acquisition is subject to several conditions, including finalization of a purchase agreement; adoption and approval of a plan of conversion by Brevard Federal's board of directors; affirmative vote of the majority of Brevard Federal's eligible members; and approval from applicable federal and state regulatory agencies.

No date has been set for consummation of the purchase, but completion of the acquisition could occur in the summer of 1991. Brevard Federal's management and staff will be offered employment by First Citizens Bank.

An independent appraisal firm will conduct a valuation of Brevard Federal that will take into consideration such factors as economic and demographic conditions in Brevard Federal's market areas and financial projections of its results of operations.

To effect to conversion/merger, First Citizens BancShares intends to utilize a combination of its Class A stock in a four-to-one ratio with its Class B stock with the acquisition of the latter security at the option of the prospective shareholder.

The total number of both classes of BancShares' stock issued will be determined at the close of the offering by dividing the valuation of Brevard Federal by the market prices of BancShares' securities and considering the four-to-one pro-rata offering stipulation.

According to Hyler, the proposed purchase would benefit First Citizens Bank's operations in the Western region of North Carolina. ''We made a strategic decision to increase our service area in the Western portion of our state when we acquired 33 branches as a result of the First Union National Bank and Northwestern Bank merger in 1985.

''Since that time, we have been working to expand our operations in these

areas. The acquisition of Brevard Federal would further strengthen our efforts and our market presence in Western North Carolina.''

Jerome said that the decision to sell to First Citizens was based on the compatibility of the two institutions. ''We believe strongly that our decision to affiliate with First Citizens is consistent with our philosophy to serve in the best interests of our members, communities and employees,'' he said.

''Brevard Federal's customers will be well-served by First Citizens' commitment to high-quality service and its reputation for safety and soundness.''

Brevard Federal has approximately $135 million in assets and operates offices in Brevard at South Caldwell Street; in Cashiers at U.S. Highway 64; in Franklin on Palmer Street Circle; in Highlands at West Main Street; and in Lake Toxaway at U.S. Highway 64.

First Citizens BancShares in the holding company of First Citizens Bank, a $4.4 billion statewide financial institution that operates 330 offices in 166 North Carolina towns and cities. BancShares' Class A and Class B common stock is traded over-the-counter, and Class A is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FCNCA.

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Brevard Federal Savings and Loan Association, Brevard
Jerry H. Jerome, 704/883-2251

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#90269c0002 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:27 that trade in Meridian Bancorp (NASDAQ: MRDN) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 13 1/4.

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#90269c0003 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in Harris Corp. (NASDAQ: HRS) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

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#90269c0004 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at that trade in Sunbelt

Nursery Group Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol SBN.

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#90269c0005 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:01 that trade in Intermark Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX ticker symbol IMI.

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#90269c0007 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:19 that trade in Meridian Bancorp (NASDAQ: MRDN) has been resumed. The first sale was 12 1/2; down 1 1/4 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90269c0008 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - Pak Mail Centers of America Inc. (PMCA) began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 24.

Bristol Research Corp. - Units 9/20/95 (BRCCL) began trading on NASDAQ effective Sept. 21.

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#90269c0009 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - Nutri-Products Inc. (GOGO) was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 25. It was acquired by Phoenix Advanced Technology Inc.

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 24:

American Film Technologies Inc. - Wts 6/30/93 (AFTIW); Warrants expire 9/28/90

Bio-Medicus Inc. (BMDS); Acquired by Midtronic Inc.
Dycom Industries Inc. (DYCO); Company request -- listed on NYSE
Fidelity Federal Savings Bank (FFMA); Acquired by First Financial Bancorp
ImmunoTherapeutics Inc. (IMNOC); Total assets, capital and surplus below minimum

The following issues were deleted from NASDAQ effective Sept. 21:

American Plastics Recycling Group Ltd. (APRG); Issue postponed, security never quoted

Legend Foods Inc. - Units 7/31/92 (LGFDU); Company request

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#90269c0010 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 25:

Tescorp Inc. (TESCC) to (TESC)
Utilitech Inc. (UTLLE) to (UTLL)

Starstream Communications Group Inc. (SCGIC) underwent a ticker change to (SCGI) effective Sept. 24.

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#90269c0011 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Insta Cool Inc. of North America (TICKER: KOOL) lost $807,511, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $1.06 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $460,079, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $1.23 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90269c0012 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Medizone International Inc.(TICKER: MZEI) lost $80,457, at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $176,780, at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

The company is a development stage firm engaged in retaining research consultants and sponsoring research to investigate the medical use of ozone.

Medizone reports it has not generated and cannot predict when or if it will generate sufficient cash flow from operations to fund its continuing operations.

The company's executive office is located at 123 East 54th Street, New York, NY 10022 and its telephone number is (212) 421-0303.

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#90269c0013 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Arrhythmia Research Technology Inc. earned $120,633, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $1.41 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $77,646, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $728,158 for the same period in 1989.

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#90269c0015 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Alanco Ltd.(TICKER: ALAN) lost $604,033, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $174,526 for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $718,616, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $86,153 in fiscal 1989.

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#90269c0016 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Microwave Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: MWAV) lost $679,308, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $194,582 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $314,043, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $1.16 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90269c0017 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Cytogenetics Inc.(TICKER: ACYT) lost $245,913, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $1.43 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $194,361, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $1.46 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90269c0018 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Silk Greenhouse Inc.(TICKER: SGHI) lost $12.96 million, or $1.36 per share, on revenues of $24.18 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $168,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $16.19 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 496
#90269c0019 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:31 that trade in Hexcel Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol HXL.

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#90269c0020 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol SBN. Trading was resumed at 10:49.

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#90269c0021 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Intermark Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol IMI. Trading was resumed at 10:48.

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#90269c0023 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows James Madison Ltd.(TICKER: JML) on Sept. 21, 1990, reported it anticipates a loss for the third quarter.

The company had previously noted in its second quarter report that it had foreclosed on a resort loan and was carrying this asset in "other real estate owned".

Rather than operate the resort, James Madison elected to accept an offer from an established resort owner/operator, resulting in a $1.0 million pre-tax loss to be recorded in the third quarter, 1990.

Additionally, preliminary indications are that the company may need to double its allowance for loan losses from the $12.6 million recorded June 30, 1990.

James Madison will thereby receive in excess of 40% of any loss reflected in pre-tax income.

The company's primary capital ratio, while reduced to approximately 9%, will remain above the regulatory minimum of 5.5%.

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#90269c0024 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Pacific

Inland Bancorp.(TICKER: PIBC) changed its independent accountant from McGladrey and Pullen on Sept. 17, 1990, to KPMG Peat Marwick.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90269c0025 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows George A. Zugmier, effective Sept. 4, 1990, resigned as a member of the board of directors Lodgistix Inc.(TICKER: LDGX) Zugmier cited specific disagreements with the board on matters related to the company's operations, policies and practices.

Lodgistix stated that the company disagrees with Zugmier that he expressed disagreement at meetings of the board of directors on matters other than the proposed business combination with Sulcus Computer Corp.(TICKER: SULC), to which he was opposed.

Lodgistix further noted Zugmier first stated his disagreement with accounting policies and procedures at a board meeting on Aug. 29, 1990.

The company reported it believes Zugmier had been opposed to management decisions since his resignation as chief executive officer on Oct. 30, 1989, and that this opposition continued until his removal as chairman of the board on Aug. 29, 1990.

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#90269c0026 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Drillstar Corp.(TICKER: DRIL) lost $32,998, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $69,177 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $81,862, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $393,004 for the same period in 1989.

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#90269c0027 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 9, 1990, Esther Yeaman filed suit to collect a previously assigned court judgement from Supermail Int'l Inc.(TICKER: SPML), in the amount of $615,271 including interest and attorneys' fees.

The previous court award to her son, David Yeaman, was in the amount of

$325,000, on Nov. 19, 1987. (The Yeaman Judgement).

On Aug. 10, 1990, Supermail filed a motion to vacate the Yeaman Judgement and sought a stay of execution of the judgement.

The stay was reinstated by the Sacramento Superior Court on Sept. 5, 1990, until Sept. 20, 1990.

On that date, the court set a hearing for Oct. 3, 1990, to consider Supermail's motion to reinstate the stay order.

Supermail filed an action Sept. 13, 1990, in California against David Yeaman and his mother, and two Utah law firms, and intends to file such action in Utah.

The company's management and counsel contend Supermail has a valid and enforceable right of setoff against the Yeaman Judgement, and the company reports it intends to continue to vigorously resist the attempts by the Yeamans to enforce the Yeaman Judgement without giving effect to Supermail's right of setoff.

-30- 1382

#90269c0028 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of NAC Re Corp.(TICKER: NREC) on Sept. 13, 1990, approved a second amendment to the Rights Agreement dated June 9, 1988, between the company and the American Stock Transfer & Trust Co.

The agreement sets forth a description and terms of the preferred stock purchase rights distributed to shareholders of record of the company at $0.10 par value, on June 21,1988.

As a result of a stock split of common stock declared June 8, 1989, each right now entitles the holder to purchase from NAC Re one one-hundred and fiftieth of a share of Series A Preferred Stock, at a price of $56.67 per one-one hundred and fiftieth of a share, or $5,667 per share, subject to adjustment.

The second amendment provides that, unless the rights are earlier redeemed or the acquisition of share is made pursuant to a qualifying offer, if a person or group becomes the beneficial owner of 15% or more of the company's voting stock, proper provision will be made so that each holder of record of a right, other than the acquiring person, will thereafter have the right to receive, upon payment of the exercise price, that number of shares of the Series A preferred stock, having a market value at the time of transaction equal to two times the exercise price.

-30- 1517
#90269c0029 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows United Trans-Western Inc., effective Aug. 30, 1990, refinanced most of its existing debt.

In connection with the refinancing, a loan agreement and promissory note in the original principal amount of $3.25 million were executed with Hibernia National Bank in Texas.

Terms of the loan provide for accrual of interest at a varying rate per annum equal to the prime rate of Hibernia, plus 1%.

The loan matures in August, 1993.

It is payable in 35 monthly installments of declining principal amounts, plus interest.

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#90269c0031 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Prime Capital Corp.(TICKER: PRME) on Aug. 30, 1990, sold leases to AT&T Credit Corp. through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Prime Leasing Inc., with original equipment cost of approximately $29.7 million.

The cash purchase price of the leases was $20.71 million.

The sale represented 121 lease schedules under a master lease agreement with E.I. DuPont de Nemours as lessee, which consisted of AT&T telecommunications equipment.

After payment of the underlying nonrecourse debt, the company realized cash of approximately $7.7 million.

The sale disposed of approximately 15% of Prime Leasing Inc.'s total assets on a net book value basis.

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#90269c0032 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Canaveral International Corp.(TICKER: CANI) reported on Sept. 20, 1990, that the holder of a mortgage on property jointly owned by a wholly-owned subsidiary of Canaveral International Corp. and another related company had notified Canaveral that the mortgage is in default in the amount of $2.12 million.

Canaveral reports that payment must be made by Sept. 28, 1990, or foreclosure and sale of the property may result.

On Sept. 21, 1990, the lender extended the period of time in which default may be cured until Oct. 15, 1990.

The company reports it is in negotiation with a qualified third-party purchaser, and is attempting to reach further accomodation with the lender.

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#90269c0033 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Stanwick Corp.'s board of directors on Sept. 20, 1990, reviewed the company's plan to liquidate, as adopted Feb. 4, 1986.

On Feb. 2, 1990, Stanwick collected payment on its claim before the Iran-United States Claims Tribunal, the last major asset to be collected by Stanwick.

The company reports that since February, 1990, it has worked to pay off liabilities.

Its major liability, the workers compensation liability to The Travelers Insurance Co. (TICKER: TIC), was negotiated with The Travelers, and the company paid $175,396 in May, 1990, to close the matter.

The board decided to make a final distribution of remaining assets of Stanwick to stockholders.

This aggregates $1.85 million, or $2.07 per share, based on 894,197 shares outstanding.

This distribution is to be made to shareholders of record as of Sept. 30,1990.

To receive this final distribution, shareholders must redeem their shares by transmitting shares to the transfer agent and must request that the final distribution be paid.

The transfer agent is: Riggs National Bank, 1120 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036, Attn: Shareholder Relations Dept.

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#90269c0034 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Fidelity Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: FFRV) on Sept. 17, 1990, announced the anticipated consummation date of its proposed merger with First Financial

Bancorp of Monroe, Ohio was Sept. 21, 1990, subject to the receipt of a fairness opinion from its investment advisor, Raffensperger, Hughes & Co. Inc.

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#90269c0035 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Newbridge Networks Corp.(TICKER: NNCXF) earned $180,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $38.12 million, for the quarter ended Aug. 4, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $4.18 million, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $27.32 million for the quarter ended Aug. 5, 1989.

All figures are reported in Canadian dollars.

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#90269c0036 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Athanor Group Inc.(TICKER: ATHR) earned $98,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $20,000) or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $3.27 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $108,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $36,000), or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $3.74 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90269c0037 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Great American Recreation (TICKER: GRAR) lost $3.50 million (including an extraordinary loss of $612,443 from discontinued operations), or $0.94 per share, on revenues of $21.23 million for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $5.25 million (including an extraordinary loss of $3.46 million on discontinued operations), or $2.41 per share, on revenues of $22.09 million for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1989.

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#90269c0039 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows L.J. Simone Inc.(TICKER: LJSI) lost $95,049, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $5.67 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $202,909, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $5.45 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 459
#90269c0040 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Federal Savings and Loan of Lenawee Co.(TICKER: LFSA) earned $644,166, or $0.39 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $625,387, or $0.38 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 466
#90269c0041 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Charter Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: CHFD) lost $6.64 million, or $1.81 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $5.27 million, or $1.44 per share, in fiscal 1989.

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#90269c0042 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Princeton Electronic Products Inc.(TICKER: PELT) lost $159,423, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $248,578 for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $61,814, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $395,691 in fiscal 1989.

-30- 473
#90269c0043 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Peripheral Systems Inc.(TICKER: PSIX) lost $3.81 million, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $4.16 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $755,401, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.54 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 472
#90269c0044 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Circuit Systems Inc.(TICKER: CSYI) earned $190,727, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $14.89 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $162,823, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of

$7.09 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90269c0045 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Structofab Inc.(TICKER: STRU) lost $504,588, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $748,546 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $246,970, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $1.25 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90269c0047 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Chyron Corp.(TICKER: CHY) on Sept. 17, 1990, filed a voluntary petition for bankruptcy protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of New York.

Chyron announced on Sept. 13, 1990, that Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. had called the company's loan of $10 million and that Manufacturers had agreed in principle to make up to $9 million of financing available to Chyron as debtor-in-possession.

Chyron also stated that Manufacturers had instituted suit against European American Bank (EAB), the company's other major bank lender, charging it with fraud and breach of contract.

Chyron reported it owes EAB approximately $20 million.

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#90269c0048 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Callon Consolidated Partners L.P.(TICKER: CCLZ) on Sept. 12, 1990, announced its shareholders voted in favor of an amendment to its partnership agreement allowing acquisition of oil and gas properties for cash.

This would be supplemented by borrowings and drilling of development- type wells.

This would change the character of the partnership from a depleting entity to an ongoing operation engaged in acquisition, development and production of oil and gas properties, the company reports.

Callon Petroleum Co., the company's general partner, is actively engaged in acquisition of producing oil and gas properties, Callon Consolidated reports.

As of Dec. 31, 1989, the partnership's oil and gas reserves were estimated at 2.8 million barrels of oil and 8.6 billion cubic feet of natural gas.

The estimated present value of future cash flow from such reserves was $30 million.

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#90269c0049 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Scanex Inc.(TICKER: SCAN) on Aug. 27, 1990, dismissed its independent accountant, Deloitte & Touche.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

On Sept. 13, 1990, the company engaged Angell & Deering as its independent accountant.

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#90269c0050 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 14, 1990, D. Brian Macbeth resigned from the board of directors of Continental Capital Resources Inc.

On that same date, Roberta Wehr was appointed to the board.

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#90269c0051 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Westwood Group Inc.(TICKER: TWGI) announced Sept. 20, 1990, that it has received an additional extension from Aug. 15, 1990, to Oct. 1, 1990, of the due date for payment of the outstanding balance of approximately $7.9 million under an unsecured credit line.

The company noted it is continuing to negotiate with existing and potential lending sources in order to refinance this debt and possibly also its other credit line.

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#90269c0052 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Roadway Services Inc.(TICKER: ROAD) announced the death of J.T. Topping, its vice

chairman, on Aug. 27, 1990.

Topping also was a member of the board of directors of Roadway.

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#90269c0053 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Microphonics Technology Corp., on Aug. 25, 1990, voted to cease business.

The corporate license expires Aug. 31, 1990, and will be allowed to lapse, the company reports.

The company states it attempted to effect a potential merger with the assistance of the Stuart-James Co., but has abandoned that plan.

Microphonics states it has no funds or marketable assets.

The company's stock transfer agent, American Securities Transfer Inc., has been requested to cease transfers from Microphonic's stock.

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#90269c0055 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Stanwick Corp. earned $35,960, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $35,960 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $6,755, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $6,755 for the same period in 1989.

The company reports its operations were sold during fiscal 1986 and a plan of liquidation and dissolution was adopted by shareholders.

Stanwick notes that current revenues reflect interest earned on invested balances.

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#90269c0056 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows DVI Financial Corp.(TICKER: DVIC) earned $873,094, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $19.81 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $540,160, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $12.70 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 473
#90269c0057 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Key Tronics (TICKER: KTCC) earned $1.46 million, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $140.16 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $3.13 million, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $145.94 million for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1989.

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#90269c0058 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Uniflex Inc.(TICKER: UNIF) lost $65,281, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $5.17 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $125,909 (including an extraordinary gain of $43,000), or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $5.06 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90269c0059 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:06 that trade in EPI International Inc.(NASDAQ: EPIX) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 2. The company is located in Port Newark, NJ.

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#90269c0060 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY M.A. COHEN OWNS 522,389 SHARES (15.40%) OF RAPITECH SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: RPSY) OF SUFFERN, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Jan. 10, 1989, Clarion Capital Corp. cancelled warrants to purchase 126,893 common shares, was issued warrants to purchase 126,893 common shares at $1.09 per share and was granted options for 30,000 shares exercisable at $1.09 per share in exchange for cancelling 35,000 options.

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#90269c0061 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY M.A. COHEN OWNS 559,733 SHARES (14.20%) OF RAPITECH SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: RPSY) OF SUFFERN, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 13, 1989, Clarion Capital Corp. returned to Rapitech Systems Inc. warrants to purchase 126,893 common shares, was issued warrants to purchase 138,237 common shares at $.38 per share and was granted options for 30,000 shares exercisable at $.38 per share in exchange for cancelling 30,000 options.

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#90269c0063 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY JTN ACQUISITION CORP OWNS 1,022,175 SHARES (12.00%) OF JUSTIN INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: JSTN) OF FT WORTH, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 25, 1990, JTN announced a tender offer for up to 6,177,825 shares for $18 per share in cash. The offer is set to expire on Oct. 23, 1990.

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#90269c0064 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

LS & M OIL & GAS CO OWNS 3,950,000 SHARES (72.50%) OF EAGLE ENTERTAINMENT INC (TICKER: EEGL) OF MESA, AZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

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#90269c0065 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:50 that trade in Tecumseh Products Co.(NASDAQ: TECU) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 94 1/2. The company is located in Tecumseh, MI.

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#90269c0066 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:54 that trade in Central Co-operative Bank (NASDAQ: CEBK) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 1/8. The company is located in Somerville, MA.

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#90269c0067 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bio-Reference Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: BRLI) earned $96,151, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $3.73 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $653,999 (including a loss of $323,979 from discontinued operations), or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $2.29 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90269c0068 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Body Armor & Equipment Inc.(TICKER: ABAE) lost $166,183, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $2.86 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $42,728, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.46 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90269c0069 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Audre Recognition Systems Inc.(TICKER: ADRE) lost $505,791, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $118,305 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $141,113, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $746,640 for the same period in 1989.

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#90269c0071 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Tech Data Corp.(TICKER: TECD) earned $1.25 million, or $0.20 per share, on revenues

of $102.68 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.90 million, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $78.56 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90269c0072 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Camelot Corp.(TICKER: CAML) lost $38,751, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $44,107 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $20,407, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $60,599 for the same period in 1989.

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#90269c0073 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Docugraphix Inc.(TICKER: DOCX) lost $172,381, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $145,425 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $66,113, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $314,533 for the same period in 1989.

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#90269c0074 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Management Graphics Inc.(TICKER: MGGR) earned $11,894, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $665,543 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $49,671, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $430,632 for the same period in 1989.

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

-30- 525

#90269c0075 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows 50-Off Stores Inc.(TICKER: FOFF) earned $174,527, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $15.22 million for the quarter ended Aug. 3, 1990.

This compares with net income of $107,937 (extraordinary gain of $36,500), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $11.91 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 505
#90269c0076 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 16:00 that trade in Central Co-operative Bank (NASDAQ: CEBK) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 1/2; down 5/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 365
#90269c0077 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - Electrocon International Inc.(TICKER: EPLT) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it lost $266,965 on revenues of $13.62 million for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $6 million on revenues of $20.98 million for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989.

-30- 470
#90269c0079 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Nobility Homes Inc.(TICKER: NOBH) earned $85,809 (including an extraordinary gain of $32,513), or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $2.44 million for the quarter ended July 28, 1990.

This compares with net income of $347,946 (extraordinary gain of $120,198), or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $2.51 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 550
#90269c0080 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Sunrise Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: SRSL) earned $1.55 million, or $1.84 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.40 million, or $1.66 per share, in fiscal 1989.

-30- 434
#90269c0081 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lincoln Logs Ltd.(TICKER: LLOG) earned $692,747, or $0.52 per share, on revenues of $5.12 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $452,193, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $5.72 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 488
#90269c0082 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Business Bancorp earned $140,000, or $0.13 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $192,000, or $0.19 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 401
#90269c0083 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lakeland Industries Inc.(TICKER: LAKE) earned $26,894, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $10.95 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $106,019, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $10.31 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 482
#90269c0084 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Global Gaming and Technology Inc. lost $136,630, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $12.451 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $104,956, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $113,888 in fiscal 1989.

Global Gaming is engaged in the design, manufacture, and marketing of electronic microprocessor-controlled gaming machines.

The company reports that during the most recent fiscal year, it did not apply for any gaming licenses.

Global Gaming states the lack of gaming licenses in Nevada and New Jersey is a severe detriment to the company's growth.

The company added that, in effect, sales are confined to much smaller and less lucrative markets.

-30- 935
#90269c0085 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Safety Closure Corp.(TICKER: CLOS) lost $335,669, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.53 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $153,323, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.06 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 488

#90269c0087 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - Kona Enterprises Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1.25 million shares of its common stock at an offering price of $6.00 per share.

Prior to this offering, there has been a limited trading market for the common stock of the company and there is no assurance that an active market will continue after completion of this offering.

J. Lee Peeler & Co. Inc. is underwriting the offering.

Kona reports its objective is to become a holding company for a diversified group of operating businesses.

Kona reports it anticipates concentrating its search on operating businesses in the light manufacturing, wholesale distribution and retail industries.

Kona's executive office is located at 2200 West Main Street, Suite 900, Durham NC 27705 and its telephone number is (919) 286-7212.

-30- 1039

#90269c0088 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - LEON KAPLAN OF 18937 DIARY RD, GAITHERSBURG, MD 20879, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS) THROUGH FERRIS BAKER WATTS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. TEL: 301 294-5140)

-30- 437

#90269c0089 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - FRANCIS M HIPP OF P O BOX 789, WADE HAMPTON BLVD, GREENVILLE, SC 29602, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC) THROUGH DILLON READ & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(THE LIBERTY CORP. TEL: 803 268-8111)

-30- 415
#90269c0090 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANTOINE BERNHEIM OF 500 EAST 77 ST #1527, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,400 SHARES OF CORTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: CORX) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(CORTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 714 727-3157)

-30- 445
#90269c0091 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C PAUL EVANS OF 5634 SOUTH DELAWARE, 0, TULSA, OK 74105, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF ENTERRA CORP. (TICKER: EN) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(ENTERRA CORP. TEL: 713 864-8700)

-30- 397
#90269c0092 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BERGSTROM FOUNDATION INC OF 505 MADISON ST, SUITE 220, SEATTLE, WA 98104 HAS FILED TO SELL 9,500 SHARES OF BERGSTROM CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BEM) THROUGH ANDERSON & STRUDWICK. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(BERGSTROM CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 206 623-7302)

-30- 453
#90269c0093 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS L FISHER OF 37 WINTHROP NEW RD, 0, AURORA, IL 60506, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF NICOR INC. (TICKER: GAS) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(NICOR INC. TEL: 708 983-8888)

-30- 389
#90269c0095 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS H GARRETT III OF 4300 IDS CENTER, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: STJM) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. TEL: 612 483-2000)

-30- 433
#90269c0096 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SACKETT S COOK OF 424 GARRISON FOREST RD, OWINGS MILLS, MD 21117, HAS FILED TO SELL 76,678 SHARES OF CORROON & BLACK CORP. (TICKER: CBL) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(CORROON & BLACK CORP. TEL: 212 363-4100)

-30- 431
#90269c0097 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WAYNE F KENNEY OF 114 SEVENTH AVE WEST, SUMMERLAND KEY, FL 33042, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF NEW ENGLAND CRITICAL CARE INC. (TICKER: NECC) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(NEW ENGLAND CRITICAL CARE INC. TEL: 508 836-3610)

-30- 458
#90269c0098 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRASER JACK C EST OF 25 PARK PLACE NE, ATLANTA, GA 30303, HAS FILED TO SELL 175,000 SHARES OF GENUINE PARTS CO. (TICKER: GPC) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(GENUINE PARTS CO. TEL: 404 953-1700)

-30- 418
#90269c0099 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GREGORY J VERVAIS OF 15910 WRENSTONE, HOUSTON, TX 77068, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF WESTERN CO. OF NORTH AMERICA (TICKER: WSN) THROUGH PAINE

WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(WESTERN CO. OF NORTH AMERICA TEL: 817 731-5430)

-30- 439
#90269c0100 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WEINTRAUB JOSEPH EST OF 250 SE 1ST STREET, C/O TRUST DEPT, MIAMI, FL 33131, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF NCNB CORP. (TICKER: NCB) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(NCNB CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 417
#90269c0101 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER A BROOKE OF 8 BARRETTS MILL RD, CONCORD, MA 01742, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,424 SHARES OF NOVELLUS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NVLS) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(NOVELLUS SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 943-9700)

-30- 416
#90269c0103 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS B OGRADY OF 100 WEST PUTNAM AVE, GREENWICH, CT 06830, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF UST INC. (TICKER: UST) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(UST INC. TEL: 203 661-1100)

-30- 381
#90269c0104 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - UNITED BUSINESS & CONSULTING OF 4078 CAVELL RD, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55427, HAS FILED TO SELL 140,000 SHARES OF ULTIMAP INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: UMAP) THROUGH EQUITY SECS TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(ULTIMAP INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 612 854-2382)

-30- 466
#90269c0105 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL L POOLE OF 676 CERVANTES CT, AGOURA, CA 91301, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,534 SHARES OF SOFTWARE TOOLWORKS INC. (TICKER: TWRX) THROUGH SUNAMERICA SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(SOFTWARE TOOLWORKS INC. TEL: 415 883-3000)

-30- 427
#90269c0106 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTHERN TRUST CO TTEE OF 8501 W HIGGINS RD, CHICAGO, IL 60631, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. TEL: 312 693-3040)

-30- 446
#90269c0107 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EUGENE E SMITH OF TWO PERIMETER PARK S, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35243, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. TEL: 205 967-7116)

-30- 449
#90269c0108 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SOLOMON S STEINER OF 24 OLD WAGON RD, MT KISCO, NY 10549, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI) THROUGH ROSENKRANTZ LYON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. TEL: 914 347-2220)

-30- 455
#90269c0109 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ANTHONY J SWIES OF 13442 MILES STANISH PORT, PALM BEACH, FL 33410, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 436
#90269c0111 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH W KEEGAN OF 152 TWIN OAKS DR, LOS GATOS, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF WORTH CORP. (TICKER: WRTH) THROUGH T R WINSTON & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(WORTH CORP. TEL: 408 436-7467)

-30- 396
#90269c0112 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BLATNO CORP OF 15241 BARRANCA PARKWAY, IRVINE, CA 92718, HAS FILED TO SELL 89,700 SHARES OF CORTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: CORX) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(CORTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 714 727-3157)

-30- 435
#90269c0113 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BENJAMIN F EDWARDS III OF 9847 OLD WARSON RD, ST LOUIS, MO 63124, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF EDWARDS (A.G.) INC. (TICKER: AGE) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(EDWARDS (A.G.) INC. TEL: 314 289-3000)

-30- 423
#90269c0114 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED DEN OF 61-55 98TH ST, REGO PARK, NY 11374, HAS FILED TO SELL 56,000 SHARES OF ATS MONEY SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: ATSM) THROUGH JANNEY MONTGOMERY. THE

FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(ATS MONEY SYSTEM INC. TEL: 201 894-1700)

-30- 407
#90269c0115 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HANDEL H JONES OF 15850 ROSE AVE, LOS GATOS, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CALIFORNIA MICRO DEVICES CORP. (TICKER: CAMD) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(CALIFORNIA MICRO DEVICES CORP. TEL: 408 263-3214)

-30- 449
#90269c0116 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OLE C SAND OF 5214 PORTSMOUTH RD, BETHESDA, MD 20816, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,083 SHARES OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. TEL: 503 681-0118)

-30- 433
#90269c0117 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN B ASHMUN OF 1200 SMITH ST, SUITE 1500, HOUSTON, TX 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF WAINOCO OIL CORP. (TICKER: WOL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(WAINOCO OIL CORP. TEL: 713 658-9900)

-30- 412
#90269c0119 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GAGNE ROBERT H TRUST OF 5320 HIGHWAY 98 S, P O BOX 338, HIGHLAND CITY, FL 33846, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CARIBBEAN SELECT INC. (TICKER: CSEL) THROUGH LEW LIEBERBAUM & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(CARIBBEAN SELECT INC. TEL: 813 648-0000)

-30- 457
#90269c0120 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE LEVINE OF 12 SHELTER LANE, UPPER BROOKVILLE, NY 11545, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,000 SHARES OF POLYMERIX INC. (TICKER: PLXX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(POLYMERIX INC. TEL: 414 722-3451)

-30- 409
#90269c0121 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MANNY FLEKMAN OF 9171 WILSHIRE BLVD, SUITE 530, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,467 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH AMERN RECREATION CTRS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 213 274-5847)

-30- 472
#90269c0122 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BROMWELL M SCOTT JR TTEE OF 50 S LA SALLE ST, CHICAGO, IL 60675, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,430 SHARES OF NORTHERN TRUST CORP. (TICKER: NTRS) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(NORTHERN TRUST CORP. TEL: 312 630-6000)

-30- 437
#90269c0123 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KRASNOW FDN OF 11300 SANDERS DR STE 14, RANCHO CORDOVA, CA 95742, HAS FILED TO SELL 130,000 SHARES OF INSTA COOL INC. OF NORTH AMERICA (TICKER: KOOL) THROUGH PARADISE VALLEY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(INSTA COOL INC. OF NORTH AMERICA TEL: 916 638-8357)

-30- 468
#90269c0124 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - POWELSON FAMILY PARTNERSHIP OF 3600 E 48TH AVE, DENVER, CO 80216, HAS FILED TO SELL 43,000 SHARES OF TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: RRRC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 303 399-6351)

-30- 438
#90269c0125 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 48

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Apple's (TICKER: APK) board has extended the separation date for the distribution of shares under the shareholders rights plan from Sept. 25 to Oct. 3, 1990. The investment and loan committee and the employee benefit committee of the board of Apple have determined to tender their shares under the Stahl offer.

-30- 538
#90269c0127 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, J.F. EASTMAN, VP OF CROSS (A.T.) CO. (TICKER: ATX), SOLD 9,460 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20.

-30- 296
#90269c0128 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, J.J. LAWLER, VP OF A.T. CROSS CO. (TICKER: ATX), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 293
#90269c0129 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, D.E. ANDERSON, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125.

-30- 310
#90269c0130 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, L. EWING, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,520.

-30- 302
#90269c0131 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, W.O. GRAY, DIR. OF LNB BANCORP (TICKER: LNBB) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,432.

-30- 307
#90269c0132 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, J.H. RIDDELL, DIR. OF LNB BANCORP.(TICKER: LNBB) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 311
#90269c0133 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, J.O. CONNELL, OFFICER OF S & T BANCORP INC BOUGHT 180 SHARES AT $33.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,055.

-30- 295
#90269c0135 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 20, 1990, E.S. FONTENOT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,885.

-30- 333
#90269c0136 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, R.C. DABAGIA, PRES. OF HORIZON BANK INC (TICKER: HRZB) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,400.

-30- 304
#90269c0137 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, R.L. DUGENE, DIR. OF HORIZON BANK (TICKER: HRZB), BOUGHT 252 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,476.

-30- 297
#90269c0138 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, A.H. PONTIUS, DIR. OF HORIZON BANK (TICKER: HRZB), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,200.

-30- 304
#90269c0139 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 28, 1989, ORMIL LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TERRITORIAL RESOURCE INC. (TICKER: TERI), BOUGHT 169,918 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 576,879.

-30- 333
#90269c0140 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 28, 1989, ORMIL RESOURCES LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TERRITORIAL RESOURCE INC. (TICKER: TERI), BOUGHT 169,918 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 576,879.

-30- 353
#90269c0141 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, S.L. CRAWLEY, PRES. OF VANTAGE POINT ENERGY INC. (TICKER: VPEI), BOUGHT 2,833 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,919.

-30- 329
#90269c0143 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1989, J.V. STANDLEY, DIR. OF SAMARNAN INVESTMENT CORP. (TICKER: SMAN) SOLD 4,135 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90269c0144 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JAMES G MEEHAN, VP OF ACTION INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ACX), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,095.

-30- 298
#90269c0145 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, MICHAEL O PRELETZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADAC LABORATORIES (TICKER: ADAC), BOUGHT 222,000 SHARES AT $0.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,022,000.

-30- 349
#90269c0146 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, SANDLER ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 484,600.

-30- 360
#90269c0147 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROBERT FEUCHTER, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 174,716.

-30- 345
#90269c0148 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LORRAINE GRACE, BEN. OWNER OF ANDERSEN GROUP INC.

(TICKER: ANDR), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,443.

-30- 327
#90269c0149 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JOSEPH T BURKARD, SHAREHOLDER OF AMERICAN NUCLEAR CORP. (TICKER: ANUC), SOLD 2,600,000 SHARES AT $0.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 348,208.

-30- 345
#90269c0151 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, GARRY TRAMIEL, VP OF ATARI CORP. (TICKER: ATC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90269c0152 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, GARRY TRAMIEL, VP OF ATARI CORP. (TICKER: ATC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90269c0153 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, GARRY TRAMIEL, VP OF ATARI CORP. (TICKER: ATC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,333,594.

-30- 286
#90269c0154 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN D STUTZ, DIV. OFFICER OF BIRMINGHAM STEEL CORP. (TICKER: BIR), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90269c0155 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN D STUTZ, DIV. OFFICER OF BIRMINGHAM STEEL CORP. (TICKER: BIR), SOLD 550 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90269c0156 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN D STUTZ, DIV. OFFICER OF BIRMINGHAM STEEL CORP. (TICKER: BIR), SOLD 2,150 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90269c0157 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROBERT P BASS JR, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.48 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,680.

-30- 329
#90269c0159 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, SAMUEL B HAYES III, DIR. OF BOATMEN'S BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BOAT), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90269c0160 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, SAMUEL B HAYES III, DIR. OF BOATMEN'S BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BOAT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,016.

-30- 332
#90269c0161 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM WILKERSON, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FRANCHISE GROUP INC. (TICKER: BUCS), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,130,377.

-30- 351
#90269c0162 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, J ROBERT WILKINSON, VP OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 300
#90269c0163 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, J ROBERT WILKINSON, VP OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,566.

-30- 302
#90269c0164 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, ROBERT P HENDERSON, DIR. OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $28.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 298
#90269c0165 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ROBERT P HENDERSON, DIR. OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90269c0167 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, H ONNO RUDING, DIR. OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 287
#90269c0168 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WILLIAM S SHANAHAN, OFFICER OF COLGATE-PALMOLIVE CO. (TICKER: CL), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $64.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90269c0169 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WILLIAM S SHANAHAN, OFFICER OF COLGATE-PALMOLIVE CO. (TICKER: CL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $64.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,104.

-30- 329
#90269c0170 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JAMES M USDAN, VP OF COMPREHENSIVE CARE CORP. (TICKER: CMP), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 308
#90269c0171 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JOHN S PERKINS, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 337
#90269c0172 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CAMPBELL SOUP CO, BEN. OWNER OF CAMPBELL SOUP CO. (TICKER: CPB), BOUGHT 850 SHARES AT $50.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,933.

-30- 327
#90269c0173 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, CH PARTNERS III, BEN. OWNER OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 174,867.

-30- 325
#90269c0175 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JAMES J RENIER, DIR. OF DELUXE CORP. (TICKER: DLX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $28.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 510.

-30- 291
#90269c0176 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 28, 1990, RULE INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DATAMARINE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DMAR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 152,903.

-30- 338
#90269c0177 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 07, 1990, RULE INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DATAMARINE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DMAR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90269c0178 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 19, 1990, RULE INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DATAMARINE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DMAR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 157,903.

-30- 338
#90269c0179 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 11, 1990, RULE INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DATAMARINE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DMAR), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.54 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 164,903.

-30- 338
#90269c0180 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, WILLIAM R SMART, CHAIRMAN OF ELECTRONIC ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: EA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 335
#90269c0181 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DAVID R HUBBARD, OFFICER OF ESELCO INC. (TICKER: EDSE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90269c0183 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, WILLIAM S WIRE II, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,293.

-30- 325
#90269c0184 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, A WARD WAGNER JR, DIR. OF FLAGLER BANK CORP. (TICKER: FLGL), BOUGHT 1,128 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,686.

-30- 316
#90269c0185 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, WILLIAM R JENKINS, VP OF FMC CORP. (TICKER: FMC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $34.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,045.

-30- 286
#90269c0186 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 22, 1990, JEFFREY P ORLEANS, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,353.

-30- 338
#90269c0187 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JEFFREY P ORLEANS, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP.

(TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90269c0188 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JEFFREY P ORLEANS, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90269c0189 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JEFFREY P ORLEANS, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,353.

-30- 338
#90269c0191 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, JEFFREY P ORLEANS, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,353.

-30- 338
#90269c0192 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, KENNETH A DEGHETTO, DIR. OF FOSTER WHEELER CORP. (TICKER: FWC), SOLD 9,701 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,099.

-30- 321
#90269c0193 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CONSTANTINOS I COSTALAS, CHAIRMAN OF GLENDALE BANCORPORATION (TICKER: GNBC), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,393.

-30- 332

#90269c0194 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN E KISHBAUGH, DIR. OF GLENDALE BANCORPORATION (TICKER: GNBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,653.

-30- 321
#90269c0195 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ALBERT R TAMA, DIR. OF GLENDALE BANCORPORATION (TICKER: GNBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90269c0196 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ALBERT R TAMA, DIR. OF GLENDALE BANCORPORATION (TICKER: GNBC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,436.

-30- 309
#90269c0197 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JAMES T BOONE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRENADA SUNBURST SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: GSSC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,960.

-30- 357
#90269c0199 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, CHARLES C JUDD, DIR. OF GATEWAY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GTWY), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,350.

-30- 320
#90269c0200 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, GUY C SHAFER, DIR. OF HEICO CORP. (TICKER: HEI), BOUGHT

1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90269c0201 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, GUY C SHAFER, DIR. OF HEICO CORP. (TICKER: HEI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 292
#90269c0202 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DAVID A ROSENFELD, BEN. OWNER OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90269c0203 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DAVID A ROSENFELD, BEN. OWNER OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 823,842.

-30- 339
#90269c0204 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT L ROSENFELD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90269c0205 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ROBERT L ROSENFELD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 823,842.

-30- 358
#90269c0207 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, NL INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF LOCKHEED CORP. (TICKER: LK), BOUGHT 510,700 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,827,100.

-30- 315
#90269c0208 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 13, 1989, ALAN M VOORHEES, DIR. OF MICROS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCRS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 320
#90269c0209 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MARVIN S HAUSMAN, DIR. OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90269c0210 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MARVIN S HAUSMAN, DIR. OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90269c0211 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, MARVIN S HAUSMAN, DIR. OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90269c0212 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MARVIN S HAUSMAN, DIR. OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280

#90269c0213 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MARVIN S HAUSMAN, DIR. OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90269c0215 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, MARVIN S HAUSMAN, DIR. OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90269c0216 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, MARVIN S HAUSMAN, DIR. OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90269c0217 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, MARVIN S HAUSMAN, DIR. OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 435,096.

-30- 319
#90269c0218 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, LOUIS A GRECO, OFFICER OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 329
#90269c0219 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, GENERAL ELECTRIC CAPITAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF NOBLE DRILLING CORP (TICKER: NDCO), SOLD 2,800,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,750,000.

-30- 365
#90269c0220 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 21,000 SHARES AT $2.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90269c0221 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90269c0223 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90269c0224 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, DONALD W BUSBY, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH LILY MINING CO. (TICKER: NLMC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,304,727.

-30- 330
#90269c0225 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ARNOLD L PUTTERMAN, DIR. OF NEW MEXICO & ARIZONA LAND CO. (TICKER: NZ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,171.

-30- 342
#90269c0226 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 11, 1990, ERWIN T STRAW, PRES. OF PRIME BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PSAB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90269c0227 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ERWIN T STRAW, PRES. OF PRIME BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PSAB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,195.

-30- 310
#90269c0228 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, RICHARD D NOVIK, DIR. OF PROGRESSIVE BANK INC. (TICKER: PSBK), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,638.

-30- 318
#90269c0229 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 27, 1989, EVERETT L HODGES, PRES. OF PETROMINERALS CORP. (TICKER: PTRO), BOUGHT 24,067 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 761,136.

-30- 321
#90269c0231 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 25, 1989, EVERETT L HODGES, PRES. OF PETROMINERALS CORP. (TICKER: PTRO), BOUGHT 20,160 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 781,296.

-30- 321
#90269c0232 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 25, 1989, EVERETT L HODGES, PRES. OF PETROMINERALS CORP. (TICKER: PTRO), SOLD 20,160 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 532,969.

-30- 322
#90269c0233 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, EVERETT L HODGES, PRES. OF PETROMINERALS CORP. (TICKER: PTRO), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 801,296.

-30- 321
#90269c0234 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, SIGISMUNDUS W LUBSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUAKER CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: QCHM), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,593.

-30- 348
#90269c0235 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, DOUGLAS A KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO. (TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $10.51 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90269c0236 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, DOUGLAS A KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO. (TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $10.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90269c0237 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 15, 1990, DOUGLAS A KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO. (TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90269c0239 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, DOUGLAS A KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO.

(TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90269c0240 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, DOUGLAS A KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO.
(TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $10.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90269c0241 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DOUGLAS A KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO.
(TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 13,700 SHARES AT $10.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90269c0242 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, DOUGLAS A KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO.
(TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT $10.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90269c0243 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, DOUGLAS A KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO.
(TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.39 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90269c0244 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, DOUGLAS A KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO.
(TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90269c0245 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DOUGLAS A KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO.

(TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $9.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90269c0247 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, DOUGLAS A KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO.
(TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90269c0248 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DOUGLAS A KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO.
(TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $9.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90269c0249 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DOUGLAS A KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON (H.H.) CO.
(TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 8,800 SHARES AT $9.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 290,700.

-30- 330
#90269c0250 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN S DAVENPORT, VP OF RAC MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CORP.
(TICKER: RMR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90269c0251 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, JOHN S DAVENPORT, VP OF RAC MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CORP.
(TICKER: RMR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS
TO 21,800.

-30- 333
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FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CRAIG R ANDERSSON, DIR. OF RMI TITANIUM CO. (TICKER: RTI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,300.

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#90269c0253 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DAVID S DWELLEY, OFFICER OF RAYTHEON CO. (TICKER: RTN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $63.75 PER SHARE.

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FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CITY NATL BANK TTEE PAYSOP, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), SOLD 232 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,864.

-30- 362
#90269c0256 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ELMER HARROLD, DIR. OF SFFED CORP. (TICKER: SFFD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,774.

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#90269c0257 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, GEORGE H MICHAELIS, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF SOURCE CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: SOR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $37.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,272.

-30- 365
#90269c0258 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, TANDYCRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF TANDYCRAFTS INC. (TICKER: TAC), BOUGHT 8,218 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 970,396.

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#90269c0259 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, LEON GREENBLATT, BEN. OWNER OF TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: TDCX), BOUGHT 54,265 SHARES AT $1.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 707,967.

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#90269c0260 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, WILBUR L CREECH, DIR. OF TRANSNATIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRSL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,000.

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#90269c0261 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, WILBUR L CREECH, DIR. OF TRANSNATIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRSL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

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#90269c0263 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, WILBUR L CREECH, DIR. OF TRANSNATIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRSL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,000.

-30- 322
#90269c0264 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN R C PORTER, DIR. OF VERIFONE INC. (TICKER: VFIC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 995,910.

-30- 322
#90269c0265 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, BARRY WICKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VITAL SIGNS INC. (TICKER: VITL), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90269c0266 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROBERT T NAHAS, DIR. OF WELLS FARGO & CO. (TICKER: WFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $54.13 PER SHARE.

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#90269c0267 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, ROBERT T NAHAS, DIR. OF WELLS FARGO & CO. (TICKER: WFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $54.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,740.

-30- 309
#90269c0268 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1989, ROBERT V TIMLIN, DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,950.

-30- 337
#90269c0269 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY P. TSAKOS OWNS 510,300 SHARES (17.01%) OF GLOBAL OCEAN CARRIERS LTD (TICKER: GLO) OF PIRAEUS, GREECE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Panayotis Tsakos may acquire additional shares of Global's common stock in the future.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 24, 1990 through Sept. 21, 1990, Panayotis Tsakos purchased 65,800 shares for an aggregate purchase price of 379,587.50.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares and investment.

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#90269c0271 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

PARAMOUNT COMMUNICATIONS INC OWNS 24,484,679 SHARES (83.30%) OF TVX BROADCAST GROUP INC (TICKER: TVXG) OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

TVX Broadcast Group Inc. announced in a press release dated Sept. 25, 1990 that Paramount Communications Inc. modified its proposal to acquire all voting common stock of TVX not owned by Paramount in a merger or other business combination transaction by increasing the price per share from $7.50 to $9.50. The special committee of TVX's board recommended that the board accept this modified proposal and the board has voted to accept the recommendation of the special committee. Consummation of the transaction is subject to the negotiation of an acquisition agreement and approval of TVX's shareholders.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition proposal.

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#90269c0272 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

PARAMOUNT COMMUNICATIONS INC OWNS 24,484,679 SHARES (83.30%) OF TVX BROADCAST GROUP INC (TICKER: TVXG) OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Paramount Communications Inc. has proposed in a letter, dated Sept. 25, 1990, to a special committee of TVX Broadcast Group Inc.'s board that PCI acquire the remaining minority interest in TVX Broadcast Group Inc. at a price of $9.50 per share in a merger or other business combination transaction.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition proposal.

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#90269c0273 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

SHLOMO DOVRAT OWNS 1,402,007 SHARES (24.40%) OF OSHAP TECHNOLOGIES LTD (TICKER: OSHS) OF HERZLIA, ISRAEL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

An option has been granted by Oded Pollig to Dovrat to acquire up to 638,824 ordinary shares. Pursuant to the option agreement, dated Jan. 13, 1989, the option is exercisable from Nov. 26, 1990, at an exercise price of $1.50 per ordinary share.

PURPOSE:

Share purchase option.

-30- 623
#90269c0274 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY F. MILLMAN OWNS 12,908,668 SHARES (51.61%) OF BLOC DEVELOPMENT CORP (TICKER: BDEV) OF MIAMI BEACH, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

During the period from March 20, 1990 through July 31, 1990, an aggregate of 403,332 firm shares were released from the voting trust agreement for the purpose of public sale pursuant to Rule 144, Securities Act of 1933, as amended. On March 20, 1990, Mr. Millman disposed of an aggregate of 160,000 Firm shares as follows: 100,000 shares in a private sale for a sale price of $1 per share, 55,000 shares pursuant to a divorce settlement agreement and 5,000 shares as gifts to two individuals, and made gifts to various individuals for a total aggregate of 27,500 firm shares.

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#90269c0275 09/26/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 17, 1990, D. S. Kennedy & Co. entered into and consummated an oral agreement with Industrial Equity (Pacific) Ltd., to transfer 248,916 common shares to IEP in exchange for a consideration consisting of stock and/or debt in four other companies and cash.

PURPOSE:

Oral agreement.

-30- 521
#90269c0276 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

BRIDGE CAPITAL INVESTORS II OF TEANECK, NJ OWNS 1,280,515 SHARES (9.80%) OF AMERICAN MOBILE SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: AMSE) OF WOODLAND HILLS, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The 8 percent convertible subordinated note, due Aug. 31, 1990, purchased pursuant to the note agreement as modified by the offers permits Bridge Capital II to convert its note, at any time prior to maturity, into 729,927 shares of American Mobile Systems Inc.'s common stock. On July 6, 1990, American Mobile Systems Inc. issued in connection with the 1990 offer, additional shares of common stock which resulted in a recalculation of the conversion price of Bridge Capital II's note. The $2.95 per share conversion price was reduced to $2.74 per share, pursuant to the anti-dilution provisions of the note agreement.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 6, 1990, Bridge Capital II converted pursuant to the 1990 offer $1,000,000 of the principal amount of its note into 470,588 shares of common stock at a conversion price of $2.13 per share.

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#90269c0277 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF TCF ESOP OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN OWNS 549,888 SHARES (7.60%) OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: TCB) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Plan and TCF Financial Corp.'s employees who participate in the Plan have the right to receive dividends from or proceeds from the sale of shares of TCF Financial Corp.'s common stock that are reported herein as beneficially owned by the Advisory Committee, and the Advisory Committee has no rights to receive such dividends or proceeds.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 31, 1990 through Sept. 30, 1990, 64,805 shares were allocated to participants' accounts under Employee Stock Ownership Plan-401(k).

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#90269c0279 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

PENN CENTRAL CORP OF CINCINNATI, OH OWNS 1,837,900 SHARES (15.30%) OF BUCKEYE PARTNERS L P (TICKER: BPL).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 8 and Sept. 18, 1990 Buckeye Partners LP purchased 110,800 shares at $24.75 to $26.50 per share.

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#90269c0280 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC OWNS 1,427,189 SHARES (7.28%) OF AMERICAN TELEVISION & COMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ATCM) OF STAMFORD, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 26 and Sept. 24, 1990 Gabelli Funds Inc. purchased 163,550 shares at $26.75 to $35 each and sold 22,944 shares at $26.75 to $34.00 each.

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#90269c0281 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 719,330 SHARES (13.44%) OF MILTON ROY CO (TICKER: MRC) OF ST. PETERSBURG, FL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 21 and Sept. 24, 1990 Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 84,100 shares at $26.63 to $26.75 each. Between Aug. 27 and Sept. 20 Gamco Investors Inc. sold 24,100 shares at $22.38 to $26.50 each.

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#90269c0282 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY L.W. JAFFE OWNS 294,180 SHARES (8.20%) OF RAPITECH SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: RPSY) OF SUFFERN, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 22, 1989 L.W. Jaffe purchased 4,999 common shares at $.41 per share and 25,549 class B warrants at $.07 per warrant.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 493
#90269c0283 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY ATLANTIC SECURITIES TRUST LTD OWNS 23,194,314 SHARES (27.80%) OF DAVIN COMPUTER CORP (TICKER: DQZ) OF IRVINE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Atlantic Securities Trust LTD hold 19.8 million common shares and warrants to purchase 3,394,314 common shares at $.10 per share.

PURPOSE:

To obtain substantial equity interest in Davin Computer Corp.

-30- 573
#90269c0284 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

H. SALZMAN OWNS 225,474 SHARES (4.60%) OF CENTRAL SPRINKLER CORP (TICKER: CNSP) OF LANDSDALE, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

H. Salzman sold 118,447 common shares to the company at $12.15 per share.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

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#90269c0285 09/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY PERMAL CAPITAL PARTNERS LP OWNS 110,241,154 SHARES (87.30%) OF AMERICAN EQUINE PRODUCTS INC OF SOUTH NORWALK, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On an undisclosed date, Permal Capital Partners LP. purchased 337,600 series C preferred shares and 862,400 series D preferred shares for $2.50 per share. Concurrently with such purchases, Permal Capital Partners LP acquired Docktor Pet Centers Inc. from American Equine Products Inc. Permal Capital Partners LP

have agreed to vote their shares for five years such that they will be entitled to nominate five members of the board of American Equine Products Inc.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90269d0040 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 27) - Japan's crude oil reserves at the end of August totaled 521.5 million barrels, the equivalent of 142 days' consumption, the Natural Resources and Energy Agency reported Thursday.

The figure was almost unchanged from the month-before level of 519.2 million barrels.

Government-held stockpiles at the end of August accounted for 197.3 million barrels and private-sector stocks 324.2 million barrels, the report said.

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#90269d3100 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 26) - Japanese steel production in the October-December quarter is expected to rise 2.7 percent over the same period last year to 28.35 million tons, the ministry of international trade and industry (MITI) forecast Wednesday.

The projected figure would be the fifth largest output ever in a third quarter and the highest since 1980, MITI officials said.

They attributed the brisk production to strong domestic demand for steel products, supported by a booming construction industry.

Domestic steel consumption is expected to rise 3.9 percent to a record 20.35 million tons during the three-month period.

But exports will decline 10 percent because of continued sluggish sales to the Soviet Union, they said.

-30- 914

#90269d3120 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PERTH, AUSTRALIA (SEPT. 26) - Australian business tycoon Alan Bond resigned from the board of his flagship company Wednesday, Bond Corporation Holdings (BCH) announced.

In a statement issued here, BCH said Mr. Bond and two other senior executives

who quit with him would continue to act as consultants during a capital restructuring which is seen as vital to the company's survival.

"Peter C. Lucas, a long-time director, has agreed to accept appointment as the chairman of the board," the statement said.

It said Tony Oates had resigned as senior executive of finance and administration and Peter Mitchell had quit as senior executive of corporate planning and development.

In July, Mr. Bond told a bond holders' meeting in London that he was ready to resign as company chairman.

Bond Corp. had debts estimated at five billion U.S. dollars in May and offered to sell its Australian brewing interests to Bell Resources Ltd for 1.43 billion.

-30- 1158

#90269d3150 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 26) - Nippon Yusen K.K. (NYK), Japan's top shipping company, Wednesday said it had agreed to purchase five percent of the outstanding common stocks of Rio Grande Industries, Inc. (RGI), parent of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company.

NYK's senior managing director for liner operations, Hiroshi Takahashi, said the two firms intend to close the purchase before the weekend, but refused to disclose the value of the transaction.

He said the purchase would strengthen NYK's long-standing relationship with the affiliated railroads of RGI, including Southern Pacific, on which NYK's intermodal services in North America have relied since 1926.

RGI is also the parent company of the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad and the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company.

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#90269d3540 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 26) - British companies are keen on submitting tenders for Hong Kong's controversial new airport project with or without China's blessing British Minister of Trade Tim Sainsbury said here Wednesday.

Mr. Sainsbury told reporters at the end of a five-day visit to the British colony that "China should take interest" in the 16.3 billion U.S. dollar scheme, which he called "a long term and an exciting project."

The trade minister said, "it is important for the continuing prosperity of

Hong Kong", which is to revert to Chinese rule in 1997.

China, although having no objection to Hong Kong having a new airport, has expressed the wish to talk with the colonial government on the financial feasibility of the facility, whose financing would stretch beyond 1997.

"One of the principal objectives of my current visit is to stress the UK's keen interest in playing a substantial role in the construction of the new airport and associated infrastructural projects," Mr. Sainsbury said.

"I'm confident that British firms would be able to submit highly competitive tenders to the project."

Mr. Sainsbury added, "We have a great deal of experience to offer in this particular field and UK companies will be putting in strong bids for all the key elements of the project," which will have the full support of the British government.

"British consultants, I am delighted to see, are here in large numbers and involved in many different projects," he said.

Hong Kong Governor Sir David Wilson has said Hong Kong would go ahead with the new airport with or without China's blessing.

Beijing officials have previously branded the mammoth project as part of a "British conspiracy" to hand over a bankrupt Hong Kong in 1997, while the project backers fear lack of Chinese support could deter investors.

Mr. Sainsbury was leaving here Wednesday for Jakarta.

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#90269d3620 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 26) - Australia's domestic airlines, still reeling from a year-long pilots' strike, were hit Wednesday by a strike of aircraft refuellers which has grounded half the scheduled flights and stranded at least 10,000 passengers.

The strike, over manning for refuelling duty, has disrupted the travel plans of thousands of people including tourists and families going away for school holidays which started the same day.

Major airlines appealed to passengers to postpone their flights as long as possible.

"There is no sign of a settlement in the meantime," said a spokesman for Ansett Airlines, which was forced to cancel more than half its 200 services and reschedule the remainder.

The other major domestic carrier, Australian Airlines, also said half of its normal 180 flights had been cancelled and the situation was expected to deteriorate throughout the day.

Both airlines have said the year-long pilots' strike cost them about 150 million dollars (124.28 million U.S.) each and they had only recently recovered to pre-strike passenger levels.

International airlines, including the Australian carrier Qantas, are not seriously affected because of their ability to refuel overseas.

Meanwhile efforts were being made in the West Coast city of Perth where the dispute started to arbitrate a settlement although the Transport Workers Union (TWU), which represents the striking aircraft refuellers, said the stoppage would last at least until Friday when another meeting is planned.

The main issue in the strike appeared to be the decision of Esso Australia Ltd to reduce the number of oil tankers from two to one at its Perth terminal.

However, a senior TWU official Ken McGrath said the walkout on Tuesday night was triggered by rumours that oil companies including Esso were planning to cut back staffing levels.

He said that under their proposals the current refuelling crews of two would be cut to a single operator, which he said would jeopardise airport safety.

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#90269d3770 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 26) - Malaysia will raise U.S. tin stockpile disposals at the Association of Tin Producing Countries (ATPC) ministerial conference in Cochabamba, Bolivia, next week, a senior official said Wednesday.

Deputy Primary Industries Minister Alias Ali, who is leading the Malaysia delegation to the meeting, said Malaysia was concerned that sale of tin from the U.S. Defense Logistic Agency (DLA) stockpile had upset market fundamentals.

The DLA, which resumed sales of tin for cash in July after several years, plans to sell 7,000 tons of tin in fiscal 1990.

"Malaysia intends to have serious discussions with other ATPC members on this and plans to send a memorandum to the United States to postpone its sales until the price of tin recovers," Bernama news agency quoted Mr. Alias as saying.

The ATPC is trying to reduce tin stocks overhanging the market by imposing export quotas on its members -- Australia, Bolivia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Nigeria, Thailand and Zaire.

The ATPC ministers will have to decide whether to extend the quotas currently pegging total exports at 84,233 tons for 10 months from March when they expire at the end of the year.

Mr. Alias said that the tin market would be helped out of its doldrums if Brazil, the world's largest producer, joined the ATPC.

Analysts said tin prices have been depressed to their lowest levels in 44 months as a result of high stocks, which stood at 43,200 tons at the end of February, and the DLA sales.

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#90269d3870 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (SEPT. 26) - Armoured carriers and tanks took up positions in front of vital government complexes in the Afghan capital as a blast near Kabul TV station rocked the diplomatic area, witnesses here said.

Armoured personnel carriers packed with soldiers in battle gear raced through the streets in downtown Kabul and troops carrying bazookas and machineguns fanned out in the city, standing guard at ministries, government offices and the buildings housing Kabul radio and TV.

The reason for the unusual activity was not immediately known but a foreign ministry spokesman said it was probably a military exercise for the defence of the city.

The spokesman added that Kabul garrison commander Gerneral Nabi Azimi would brief the press later on the day and that civilians were free to move.

The deployment came one night after the government extended the night curfew by one hour and triggered panic in the bazaars (markets). Civilians were seen hurrying home.

Special troops from Kabul Garrison in jeeps raced around the Wazir Akbar Khan diplomatic enclave and troops with raised weapons were seen guarding roads in the district where several government offices are also located.

Some soldiers said all routes to the home ministry were cut and one warned a motorist not to go there.

"Big trouble' he said in halting English.

Diplomats when contacted said they too were monitoring the military movement which began between 9.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. (0500 and 0600 GMT), but added that they were in the dark regarding both the blast and the troop deployment.

-30- 1773
#90269d3890 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (SEPT. 26) - The Swissair airline is believed to be about to choose a European, rather than U.S., manufacturer to supply about 50 airliners worth about 1.54 billion dollars, Swiss radio reported on Wednesday.

Swissair was preparing to place orders and options for about 50 European Airbus A-320 aircraft to replace its ageing fleet of short-range and medium-range DC9 aircraft in about 1995, the report said, while noting a possibility that a decision might be delayed because the airline was facing financial difficulties.

No comment was available from Swissair. The company's board was due to meet on Friday to decide on the deal which would be worth two billion Swiss francs (1.54 billion dollars).

The Airbus aircraft has been in competition with the U.S. McDonnell-Douglas MD-90 aircraft to win the contract.

The order would be the biggest ever placed by Swissair and it would be the first time that the airline had decided against buying medium-range and long-range aircraft from McDonnell-Douglas.

The report said that the board realised that any delay in taking a decision would delay delivery and could cause a severe commercial handicap.

Since the end of last year, Swissair, and three other European airlines, Scandinavian Airline System (SAS), Finnair and Austrian Airlines, have been negotiating with McDonnell-Douglas and Airbus Industries for the purchase of about 239 aircraft.

SAS wanted to buy 126 airliners, Swissair 52, Finnair 35 and Austrian Airlines 26.

The radio report said that Swissair was close to deciding, even though the other companies had not taken their decisions.

Informed sources said that Finnair in particular wanted to delay its decision, while SAS could do likewise for financial reasons. But Austrian Airlines was thought likely to act with Swissair.

The Swiss airline is experiencing difficulties. In the first quarter of 1990 it reported a loss of 99 million Swiss francs (about 70 million dollars) compared with a profit of 94.7 million francs (66 million dollars) in 1989.

In recent months it has introduced economy measures, halting recruitment and planning a two-year restructuring programme.

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#90269d3910 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FRANKFURT (SEPT. 26) - The West German central Bundesbank on Wednesday made available 11 billion Deutschemarks to the banking system at rates ranging from eight percent to 8.3 percent through a 28-day repurchase arrangement.

The bank injected a net sum of one billion marks since an expiring facility totalled 10 billion marks.

On Tuesday banks had sought 43.6 billion marks, and the central bank satisfied these to the extent of 25 percent.

It accepted 80 percent of the bids at the lowest rate of eight percent.

The previous week the bank had made available 23.4 billion marks for 28 days and for 56 days, at rates ranging from 7.95 percent to 8.20 percent.

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#90269d3920 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SUVA (SEPT. 26) - Australia and Japan will team up from next year to jointly fund tourism, health and education projects in Fiji and Papua New Guinea, Australia's aid counsellor here, Grahame Nicholls, said Wednesday.

A joint Australia-Japan mission will visit the two countries early next year to discuss aid offers, Mr. Nicholls said.

The Australian initiative to merge projects with Japan is the first experimetn of its kind and Australia would be "happy to coordinate with anyone -- New Zealand, British or French -- in this region," Mr. Nicholls said.

He denied claims by Fiji's deposed National Federation-Fiji Labour Party coalition that Australian aid money was being abused by the caretaker government installed after two army coups in 1987.

"Corruption as far as aid projects (are concerned) is nil," Mr. Nicholls said. "We take precautions not to give big cheques."

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#90269d3940 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 26) - Sales at large department stores and supermarkets in Japan rose 7.9 percent in August from a year earlier to 1,525.4 billion yen (11.1 billion dollars), official statistics released Wednesday said.

The Ministry of International Trade and Industry said the brisk sales in large

retail stores, a major indicator of consumer spending, were due to strong sales of summer clothes and other seasonsal products.

The August increase compared with a nine percent rise in July.

Sales at department stores were up 8.7 percent after 10.6 percent in July to 737.4 billion yen (5.4 billion dollars), while supermarkets sold 788.0 billion yen (5.7 billion dollars) worth of goods last month, up 7.1 percent from a year earlier.

The rise in supermarket sales followed increases of 8.9 percent in June and 6.7 percent in July.

-30- 1008

#90269d4020 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOURGES, central France (SEPT. 26) - About 70 French farmers forced the driver of a lorry carrying Scottish sheep to submit to an examination of his papers when he stopped at a motorway toll point overnight Tuesday, officials said.

The president of the local sheep farmers union Dominique Meunier said that the driver's papers were contradictory since some indicated that the sheep were destined for slaughter in France, and others that they were destined for Italy.

He said that at "first sight, the animals are in a bad condition".

They took the lorry to a local administrative centre, and in tense discussions with the regional prefect (governmental administrator) demanded that the cargo be checked.

They then took the lorry to a local abattoir where the sheep were due to be examined by official veterinary surgeons later on Wednesday, the farmers said.

-30- 1043

#90269d4100 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Paris (SEPT. 26) - The board of governors of the International Energy Agency will meet Friday to review oil market developments, marked by the surge in petroleum prices, the Iea said Wednesday.

It will be the agency's third meeting since the outbreak of the Gulf crisis.

At the previous two sessions the Iea determined that the market was well-supplied with oil so that there was no need to recommend any course of action for the agency's members, the western industrialised nations.

An Iea spokeswoman said that if the agency were to recommend that demand for

oil products be reduced, it would be up to the individual members to decide on concrete measures.

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#90269d4220 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 26) - The value of Hong Kong's domestic exports suffered a fall in August, but re-exports, mostly goods originating in China, picked up handsomely, the government said Wednesday.

Locally-made goods shipped overseas in August were worth about 21 billion Hong Kong dollars (2.7 billion U.S.), down 0.5 percent from a year earlier while the value of re-exports jumped 20 percent to 38.3 billion dollars (4.9 billion U.S.)

Imports grew 16 percent to 55.7 billion (7.1 billion U.S.), leaving a total trade surplus of 3.7 billion dollars (474 million U.S.) for the month.

A government spokesman said the Gulf crisis would have a negative impact, "but probably not immediately," on the British colony's trade.

Economists here have said that as local manfuacturers had already got their order books filled until Christmas before the crisis broke, any effects would only be seen early next year when an economic slowdown in the colony's largest market, the United States, became more obvious.

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SYDNEY (SEPT. 26) - Australia and New Zealand Banking Group (ANZ) signed an agreement with the government of Western Samoa on Wednesday to buy 25 percent of the Bank of Western Samoa, taking its total holding to 75 per cent.

ANZ had already agreed to buy the Pacific islands operations of Bank of New Zealand, which include 50 percent of the Bank of Western Samoa.

ANZ said that settlement of both shareholdings in Bank of Western Samoa would be completed on Monday.

The agreement was signed in Washington by the Finance Minister of Western Samoa, Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi, and ANZ deputy chairman Will Bailey.

"Expansion in the Pacific islands is a key part of ANZ's Asia-Pacific strategy which is built around the trade flows between Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific," Mr. Bailey said in a statement issued here.

Bank of Western Samoa, with about 75 percent of the country's banking operations, had assets of about 46 million U.S. dollars in December.

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#90269d4250 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WELLINGTON (SEPT. 26) - Quotas for several heavily-fished commercial species off New Zealand's coast were ordered cut Wednesday by Fisheries Minister Ken Shirley.

The cuts, effective from Monday, followed strong criticism from environmentalists that current quotas were wiping out stocks. It was the second quota cut in three months.

In a statement Mr. Shirley said most inshore species had shown marked recovery since quotas were introduced four years ago but refinements were necessary.

"These cuts should not come as a suprise to the industry," Mr. Shirley said,

adding: "Stock assessment is not a precise science which is why reviews are such an essential part of the management process.

"Biological sustainability must be the driving philosophy of fisheries management," he said.

Species affected by the cuts are hoki, orange roughey, squid, blue warehou and red cod.

Greenpeace fisheries campaigner Mike Hagler said the cuts were not enough and ignored the advice of government fisheries scientists.

"It's an irresponsible choice that's been made by the minister -- like rolling the dice on the future of a fish species," Mr. Hagler said in a statement.

Orange roughey was still in grave danger, he said, and there was a "high risk of stock collapse."

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#90269d4430 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (SEPT. 26) - Belgium has decided to increase its military role in the Gulf region by deploying a frigate and four C-I30 transporter aircraft to bolster its forces already there, Prime Minister Wilfried Martens announced Wednesday.

The frigate, which will join three other Belgian warships in the region, will take part in patrols to enforce the United Nations embargo against Iraq, he told parliament.

The four C-130 planes will join two others Belgium has already sent, and will

be put at the disposal of the Western European Union - the only existing west European defence body - Mr. Martens said.

The decision to expand Belgian's taskforce in the Gulf has split the centre-left Belgian government made up of five political parties. The Flemish Socialist Party (SP) and Flemish Nationalist Volksunie strongly opposed a move to send F-16 fighters to the Gulf.

Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens, a Christian-Socialist, had spoken out in public in favour of sending the F-16s, provoking the ire of Socialist Defence Minister Guy Coeme.

Mr. Martens said Belgian aid to countries directly affected by the United Nations embargo against Iraq would come to 800 million Belgian francs (25 million dollars) in 1991. He said the aid was separate from the Belgian contribution to the EEC aid budget for these countries.

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#90269d4500 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Frankfurt (SEPT. 26) - West German oil imports in August reached 6.2 million tons, up 3.8 percent from August 1989 levels, while rising prices pushed the import bill up 16 per higher to 1.7 billion marks (1.08 billion dollars), authorities said here Wednesday.

The Federal Office of Industry said that for the first eight months of 1990, West German oil imports totalled 48.3 million tons, up 13.7 percent over imports of the corresponding period last year.

The eight-month oil import bill reached 11.3 billion marks, up 481 million marks, or 4.4 percent, from the first eight months of 1989, the office said.

Amid the embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil, these two countries have now vanished from the list of West Germany's suppliers, the office said.

For the first eight months, Britain was the top oil supplier with some 10.4 million tons, up from 8.32 million tons in the same period last year.

Libya came next with 7.99 million tons, up from 7.29 million, with Saudi Arabia the third biggest supplier at 4.26 million tons, up from 2.98 million in the first eight months of 1989.

In August, West German oil imports averaged 274.39 marks per ton, 11.8 percent higher than August 1989 prices.

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#90269d4560 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Istanbul (SEPT. 26) - Hiram Abas, the retired deputy undersecretary of Turkey's National Intelligence Organisation (Mit) or secret police, was murdered close to his home by two unknown gunmen here Wednesday, the police said.

Abas, a career intelligence official and protege of President Turgut Ozal, was forced to retire as the top civilian official of Mit two years ago after the leak of a report alleging corruption or crime links for top military or police officials.

Following the scandal, the prime minister's office was sentenced to pay damages to General Necdet Uerug, the retired chief of general staff.

Despite his disgrace, Abas was reputed to be at the centre of Ozal's plans to ''civilianise'' the Mit, traditionally led by a general.

After the murder, Istanbul Police Chief Hamdi Ardali said the witnesses' description of the gunmen indicated that at least one was sought for an earlier murder and he was hopeful that the killers would be captured soon.

Police sources said they believed the murder to be the work of the illegal Dev-Sol (Revolutionary Left) organisation.

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#90269d4610 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (SEPT. 26) - Two persons were killed and 30 injured as militant students threw a grenade into an express train in southern Bangladesh, police and eyewitnesses said Wednesday.

The students were protesting the death of one of their compatriots who was gunned down by unidentified assailants at a technical college in the southern port city of Chittagong earlier this week.

Police said a grenade was thrown at a passenger car near the port city by student supporters of the Jatiyotabadi Chhatra Dal which had called a strike Tuesday.

A man was killed instantaneously and another child died later in hospital.

At least 12 people died in the past week in student violence, police said.

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#90269d4670 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (SEPT. 26) - The Hungarian government sees the passage to a market economy as its priority for the next three years, along with social measures to cushion the effects of the change, a 200-page national renewal programme

says.

Extracts from the programme published in newspapers Wednesday stressed the conservative government's willingness to continue privatising the economy, reducing the state sector's share from 90 percent to less than 50 percent.

Some 20 state enterprises have already been put up for auction and other privatisations are expected.

But government experts have warned they are expecting to see feeble growth in the next few years, with a new take-off for the economy not expected until the end of 1993, when exports paid for in hard currency are expected to be 30 percent higher than this year.

The government's plan avoids shock therapy for the Hungarian economy, opting instead for a phased programme which will see the focus in the first stage until the end of next year on stabilising the balance of payments, controlling the inflationary spiral and cutting red tape which is strangling the administration.

It also reaffirms a commitment to encourage foreign investment and participation in privatised enterprises.

The forint is expected to move to limited convertibility in the next three years.

But at the same time the government plans to take social measures to protect the country's poorest from the effects of the changes, and has reaffirmed that all citizens have the right to a decent standard of living.

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#90269d4750 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 26) - The Philippines has told the United States it wants joint use of Clark air base by January and American troops completely withdrawn from the base in 12 months, a top negotiator on the issue said Wednesday.

Manila wants to convert Clark into a "civil aviation complex" when the U.S. lease on military bases in the Philippines runs out on September 16, 1991, Health Secretary Alfredo Bengzon told reporters here.

But he said Manila would be willing to consider the handling of American military cargo at Clark "on a commercial basis," adding that Soviet cargo would also be allowed.

Mr. Bengzon is vice-chairman of the Philippine panel involved in negotiations with the United States on the future of Clark and Subic naval base, the two largest overseas American military facilities.

He is also considered to be a close advisor to President Corazon Aquino.

A second round of talks on the bases issue ended last week. Talks are to resume next month.

Philippine negotiators had demanded that Manila regain full control over Clark and agreed to discuss U.S. proposals for a gradual "phasedown" of U.S. forces and commercialization of certain facilities at Subic.

Transportation Secretary Oscar Orbos recently went to the United States and talked with officials of Boeing and other groups "with the end ... of getting them interested in participating" in the planned aviation complex, Mr. Bengzon said.

"We have proposed that starting January 1991, our own air force starts to make use of Clark facilities," Mr. Bengzon said.

He added that Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus had proposed that Clark "be handled perhaps on a commercial basis," and that Manila "would not like any more foreign combat troops after September 1991."

Mr. Bengzon said the Philippine constitution states that foreign troops should not be allowed in the country after 1991, except under a new treaty.

He added: "Maybe it's time for you to think of key words as we move towards taking over. Those two key words are 'Philippinized' and 'civilianized'."

He added that in the event of the Philippine takeover of Clark, the facility would be used to handle "air cargo needs just like Cathay Pacific, Boeing."

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#90269d4770 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 26) - The United Nations Wednesday warned that the urban population of Asia could soar to 1.15 billion by 2000 and called for a sweeping reversal in the flow from villages and small towns to "mega cities."

The recommendation was made by the U.N.'s Bangkok-based Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) in a position paper released ahead of a regional ministerial conference on environment and development to take place here October 10-16.

According to ESCAP, the region's urban population is expected to rocket to 1.15 billion people in the year 2000 "if present patterns continue unchecked."

The figure would represent "an astonishing increase" of more than 400 million in the 15 years since 1985.

"The root cause of most of the region's urban environmental problems lies in rural to urban migration," the ESCAP paper said.

"Unless life in villages, small towns and intermediate cities can be improved to the extent that migration to mega cities eases, thus giving embattled municipalities much-needed relief, city woes can only increase," it said.

ESCAP underlined the predicament of cities such as Bombay, Calcutta, Dhaka and Manila with their permanent populations of "street people." Water supply and sanitation have proven unable to keep pace with urban growth, it said.

The study outlined "the consequent growing health risks," which it said were intensified by often severe air pollution from factories and clogged traffic.

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#90269d4790 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) - Brazilian President Fernando Collor de Mello said his government was re-evaluating Brazil's nuclear program and pledged: "We are not going to enter into any nuclear adventure in Brazil."

The Brazilian leader made the comments in an interview published by The Washington Post Wednesday after he addressed the U.N. General Assembly calling for a ban on test nuclear explosions in Latin America and the Caribbean, even for peaceful purporses.

Brazil is not a signatory of the 1967 Tlatelolco Treaty banning nuclear weapons in Latin America and has raised concerns that it may be developing its own nuclear weapons capability.

Mr. Collor last week closed a 300 meter (1000 feet) deep shaft in the Amazon, an act that he said was intended to lay to rest reports that Brazil was secretly building a nuclear bomb, the Post said.

The shaft, which appeared to be a nuclear test site, was reported to have been drilled by the military before 1985 when civilian rule was restored here.

"It's very difficult to know when, how, who was responsible" for drilling the shaft, Mr. Collor was quoted as saying. "It is a very sensitive issue ... Times have changed. The important thing is that the shaft is being covered up with concrete and that we are not going to enter into any nuclear adventure in Brazil. We are embarked on a profound reevaluation of the entire nuclear program," he said.

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#90269d4840 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (SEPT. 26) - Alberto Moravia, who towered over Italian literary life over the past half-century, died suddenly on Wednesday in Rome, apparently of a stroke or a heart attack, his doctor said. He was 83.

He was Italy's best-known writer overseas, with translations in 35 languages.

Mr. Moravia was 22, fighting tuberculosis in an Alpine spa, when his first novel, "Gli Indifferenti" (The Indifferent), a scathing disection of bourgeois society that ignored the current fashion of Fascist bombast, propelled him to instant fame in 1929.

He went on to write a dozen novels, six plays, 14 collections of short stories three travel books and a number of journalistic and topical essays.

He was also elected in 1983 to the European parliament as an independent on the Communist Party list.

In 1941, He married another prominent Italian writer, Elsa Morante, author of "La Storia," who died in 1985. After living for many years with another writer Dacia Maraini, he married in 1986 a young Spanish Catalan writer, Carmen Llera.

He was awarded France's Legion d'Honneur in 1984.

One of his biggest successes overseas was the 1947 novel "La Romana," (The Woman of Rome), considered scandalous at the time.

His novels, like those of Dickens or Balzac, were mirrors of his time.

He successively scrutinized World War II in "La Ciociara" (1957), the takeoff of the consumer society in "La Noia" (Boredom, 1960) and the growing terrorist wave in "La Vita Interiore" (The Inner Life, 1971). "Io e Lui" (Me and Him, 1971) took the form of a dialogue between a man and his penis.

A tall man with a slight limp, an austere face and piercing eyes under bushy eyebrows, Mr. Moravia said in a recent interview with AFP, in his impeccable French, "I write for pleasure, you know. I like to tell myself stories."

"I became ill when I was a child," he said in a biographical interview with Alain Elkann that will be published next month. "I lived alone. Solitude penetrated my soul so deeply that I still feel a profound detachment towards others."

But he was no recluse: "I think every person is worth knowing."

He was born Alberto Pincherle of Jewish parents in 1907 and changed his name to Moravia in 1938 when the Fascist government of Alberto Mussolini passed anti-Semitic laws.

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#90269d4910 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MADRID (SEPT. 26) - A convicted Spanish terrorist on day release from jail was shot dead Wednesday in what police believe was an underworld gang killing.

They said 28-year-old Ramon Agra Alonso was shot in the head and shoulder as he sat in a car in the southern coastal town of Fuengirola, about 30 kilometres from Malaga.

Agra Alonso was a member of the ''autonomous anti-capitalist commando'' linked to the Basque terrorist organisation Eta.

He was serving a jail sentence of more than 16 years for terrorist attacks. He had been on day release from prison since 1987.

Police said the attacker fired four shots into the car before escaping in another vehicle driven by an accomplice. They believe the killing was the result of drugs gang rivalry.

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#90269d4930 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 26) - The French Epeda Bertrand Faure group, the leading European manufacturer of car seats, on Wednesday reported a 21 percent increase in interim profits and said that it was taking control of German Rentrop to become the world's biggest auto seat supplier.

Net interim profits after minorities were 151.8 million francs (29 million dollars), group president Pierre Richier said.

The group owns the Epeda and Merinos bedding companies, the Delsey luggage label, and auto and aero interests.

Mr. Richier said that it was to create a holding with two un-named European financial groups, and that his company, by contributing its German subsidiary Schmitz and 130 million francs (25 million dollars) in investment would acquire 61 percent of the holding company with a 70 percent stake in the Rentrop-Schmitz group.

German authorities had given their approval, he said.

The French company said that it had improved its profits despite a 2.25 per cent fall in sales to 4.734 billion francs (910 million dollars) caused by the disposal of the defence activities of its Luchaire subsidiary.

Underlying sales had risen by 5.8 percent.

For the whole year the company forecasted a fall in sales of four to five percent from 9.29 billion francs last year and a 10 percent increase in net profits from 173 million francs.

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#90269d5080 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 26) - The Rose of Soweto, Dingaan Thobela, got a hero's welcome at Jan Smuts airport here Wednesday, back from Texas where he dethroned World Boxing Organisation lightweight champion Mauricio Aceves at the weekend.

Promoter Thinus Strydom said Thobela would train in New York at Lou Fulcingo's gym for the whole of November to iron the kinks that took the Aceves fight to a split decision.

"Tommy Gallagher, a cutman for Mike Tyson, was in Dingaan's corner on the night of the fight and he spotted a few technical mistakes," Strydom explained.

"He said Thobela looked awkward when going into clinches, and also appeared unsure of himself when attacking the body."

Strydom also ruled out rumours that Thobela would fight South Africa's World Boxing Association Junior Lightweight champion Brian Mitchell, who is going for a record 11th title defence in Italy on Saturday against American Frankie Mitchell.

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#90269d5110 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (SEPT. 26) - Rebels of the Oromo tribe have claimed that their forces killed 125 government troops in recent fighting in western Ethiopia.

The rebel radio, Voice of Oromo Liberation, monitored by the British Broadcasting Corporation, said Tuesday that rebels of the Oromo Liberation Army had killed 112 government troops on September 18 in Welega.

Last Thursday OLA fighters killed another 13 government soldiers in another clash in Welega.

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#90269d5130 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAMPALA (SEPT. 26) - At least 20 rebels of the Uganda People's Army (UPA) have been killed by government troops at Awoja in eastern Uganda, the New Vision newspaper reported Wednesday.

The rebels, killed Tuesday, were part of a bigger contingent that attacked the soldiers.

Last week a rebel group raided an army base at Tukum, also in eastern Uganda, catching troops unawares and forcing them to flee.

In the western district of Kasese, two senior rebel officers have surrendered to government authorities, press reports said.

The two, former officers of deposed president Milton Obote's Uganda National Liberation Army (UNLA), were said to be key commanders of the newly formed Uganda National Liberation Movement (UNLM) led by former deputy cabinet minister Amon Bazira, based in Zaire.

Their surrender was seen as a result of a visit two weeks ago by Zairean President Mobutu Sese Seko, during which Uganda and Zaire agreed not to harbour subversive elements from each other's country.

They also agreed to expedite the drafting of an extradition treaty whose absence has frustrated Uganda's efforts to have Mr. Bazira extradited from Zaire.

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#90269d5150 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Hamburg (SEPT. 26) - The ruling Christian Democratic Union (Cdu) parties in East and West Germany will merge into the German Christian Democratic Union during their party congress here on October 1, two days before German unification.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, 60, who is chief of West Germany's Cdu, is expected to become the first all-German Cdu chairman. Both conservative parties were founded 45 years ago in the ruins of Nazi Germany.

East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere, 51, who heads the East Cdu, is the sole candidate for the post of deputy party chairman.

The 1,000 delegates to the congress - 250 of them from East Germany - also plan to adopt a manifesto of party principles.

All-German elections are scheduled for December 2, and polls show the Cdu, which rules in Bonn together with the Free Democrats (Fdp), to be far ahead of the opposition Social Democrats (Spd) in popularity.

The Cdu is also said to have the best cards for regional elections to the parliaments of the five East German states on October 14.

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#90269d5160 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FREETOWN (SEPT. 26) - A ship carrying 1,000 Ghanaian soldiers left here late Tuesday for Monrovia to join a 4,000-strong West African peacekeeping force trying to impose a ceasefire in Liberia's nine-month civil war.

The Nigerian merchant ship, River Oli, which was docked at Freetown for two weeks, also carried 6,500 tons of rice, 10 tons of canned meat and eight tons of vegetable oil as food supplies from the United Nations World Food Programme for some 80,000 Liberians still in Monrovia.

Seven Western journalists were also aboard.

Charles Taylor, leader of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) rebels on Tuesday threatened to end a two-day ceasefire in Monrovia if the peace-keeping force, known as ECOMOG, was reinforced.

A Nigerian landing craft left here late Sunday for Monrovia with 800 Nigerians on board while African diplomats said two Nigerian navy ships and a merchant vessel were to have left Lagos on Monday for Monrovia.

Diplomatic sources said Wednesday they expected an additional 800 Nigerian troops to arrive here ate th weekend. This will bring the total reinforcement of the Economic Community of West African States' monitoring group (ECOMOG) to about 6,000.

It was not know whether any of the troops reinforcements had arrived in Monrovia.

Meanwhile, 55 Ghanaians who fled Monrovia over the weekend flew to Accra Wednesday aboard a Ghanaian air force jet.

Some 250 refugees, mainly Nigerian, Senegalese and Guinean nationals, arrived in Freetown by road on Wednesday from Liberia.

Another 15 mainly Lebanese nationals evacuated by the U.S. Navy on Wednesday reported further deaths in the Liberian capital. One of the 15, Toufic Ahmed, said people were dying daily from malnutrition, cholera and dysentery.

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#90269d5170 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (SEPT. 26) - The European Commission is planning to propose cancellation of debts of about 500 million Ecus (650 million dollars) owed to the European Economic Community (EEC) by 69 poor countries, EEC sources said on Wednesday.

Manuel Marin. development commissioner in the executive arm of the EEC, hinted

at the initiative late on Tuesday in Luxembourg when he announced forthcoming proposals to help the 69 African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries which are linked to the EEC under the Lome Convention.

These countries would have to spend an extra 2.5 billion dollars per year to import oil on the basis of a 30 dollars per barrel price, he said.

The proposal would affect only debt contracted with the EEC itself and not with individual EEC member states. France and Britain have each announced that they will ease some of the debts owed to them by some of their former colonies.

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#90269d5180 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

by HALIMA NJIRAINEY-GICHUKI

NAIROBI (SEPT. 26) - Karimi remembers a chilly morning 10 years ago when she faced the circumciser's knife, pinned down by two women on the dirt floor of a small thatched hut in a village in the foothills of Mount Kenya.

The then 15-year-old girl stifled her cries as the village circumciser, a respected older woman, cut out her clitoris in an age-old ritual symbolising that she was now accepted as a woman.

A few herbs were all that were applied to her wounds during the agonizing two-month healing period.

Many Kenyan women still undergo the ordeal of circumcision, some willingly, others at knifepoint, though attitudes are changing among their menfolk, at least in cities.

The government frowns on the practice, which can very often be fatal because of poor hygiene.

"I was scared to death, but I had to go through it as tradition demanded," said Karimi, now a social worker in Nairobi.

"But there's no way I would let my daughter suffer that. I don't see the point of circumcising women. The effects are nothing but negative."

According to official statistics, 17 per cent of girls circumcised in Kenya die as a result of the operation. Many bleed to death, and others are infected with tetanus or AIDS.

"Girls are usually circumcised in unhygienic conditions," says gynaecologist Catherine Lore.

Dr. Lore said most Kenyan tribes traditionally remove the entire clitoris,

though some communities cut off the tip.

The practice of female circumcision is deeply rooted in religion and social customs. Circumcised women are believed to be deprived of sexual pleasure and therefore more faithful to their husbands.

But Karimi said: "Circumcising women won't stop them sleeping around. It depends on a woman's character. Many circumcised girls become single mothers."

Some communities circumcise women because the external genitalia are considered ugly and dirty.

Deaths through circumcision are even more frequent among Somali, Sudanese and some Ethiopian tribes, according to Somali women living here and aid workers, though there are no official statistics.

Some Somali girls have their genitalia stitched up allowing only a small gap for urine and menstrual blood. When they marry, they undergo a second operation before they can have sex, the women said.

Dr. Lore said circumcision could cause infection of the reproductive organs, while long-term complications could damage and block the fallopian tubes.

Few Kenyan women are willing to talk about circumcision -- still a powerful taboo.

Circumcision is so important in some communities that parents fear their families may become the laughing stock of the village if their daughters do not undergo the rite.

Though women's organisations and the government are against the practice, many older Kenyans and even some young educated women still strongly support it.

A 15 year-old-girl said she was circumcised "secretly" but that she herself saw nothing wrong with circumcising women.

"It's part of our traditions. My grandmother went through it and I would go through it again if need be. It instills discipline and responsibility in a woman.

"After you're circumcised, the elder women educate you about what society expects from a woman," she said.

But Assistant Culture Minister Grace Ogot said the government encourages the prosecution of circumcisers if girls die or fall ill because of the operation.

She condemned female circumcision and also taboos forbidding women to eat such foods as eggs, chicken or liver, despite their high nutritional value.

"The life of an African woman used to be dominated by traditional ethics," Mrs. Ogot said. "These are traditional practices with negative effects on women and children."

Many educated urban Kenyan men are also against female circumcision.

Assistant Education Minister Mathews Karauri said: "Boys no longer want to marry circumcised girls. They complain when girls they want to marry undergo the ritual."

Kuria, a 28-year-old Nairobi accountant, said: "I've had both circumcised and uncircumcised girlfriends and I can't tell the difference. I'm not convinced that circumcision deprives women of sexual enjoyment.

"But I think it's an unnecessary hangover from the past."

The government may find it hard to ban female circumcision, as such a move could be seen as undue interference in traditional customs, although President Daniel arap Moi has condemned it because of its harmful side-effects.

Male circumcision is far more common than female circumcision in Kenya. Most tribes insist that teenaged boys be inducted into manhood by traditional circumcisers, though cases of boys bleeding to death are frequent.

Elders frown upon boys who are circumcised in hospital under hygienic conditions, considering them cowards.

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#90269d5240 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GAZA (SEPT. 26) - Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories Wednesday overwhelmingly followed a general strike called in support of Iraq and its leader Saddam Hussein.

Shops and businesses throughout the West Bank and Gaza Strip were closed throughout the day, traffic on the roads was extremely light and only a limited number of Palestinians left for work in Israel.

In Gaza, an army imposed curfew was in force in the El Bureij, Jabaliya and Nusseirat refugee camps as well as in the nearby town of Dir el Balah.

Military sources said the curfews were imposed to prevent violence as Israeli army bullodozers completed the razing of 26 shops and seven houses in El Bureij at the site where a reserve Israeli soldier was stoned and burned to death last Thursday.

The general strike call was issued by the Plo-backed unified leadership of the

intifada and the Moslem fundamentalist Hammas which last week ended a feud that had seen numerous violent clashes.

Analysts said the near unanimous support for the strike underscored the strong Palestinian support for Iraq since the start of the Gulf crisis.

Only minor infranctions were reported, with three soldiers and a tourist lightly injured in stone-throwing incidents in East Jerusalem and the West Bank.

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#90269d5250 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT. 26) - A one-day general strike in the Ukraine called by nationalist and reform movements has been postponed until Monday when the republic's parliament meets for its autumn session, nationalist sources said Wednesday.

The walk-out, supported by miners in the Soviet Union's largest coal basin, Donbas, was originally scheduled for Thursday.

A mass rally will be held in Kiev, the Ukrainian capital, Oles Fedoruk, spokesman for the regional inter-party group, a radical national movement that is to hold its first congress next week, said.

Miners' strike committees meeting Tuesday in Donetsk approved the targets of the proposed stoppage in the Soviet Union's second biggest republic, including closing down the Chernobyl nuclear power station, site of the world's worst nuclear accident in April 1986.

Strike organisers -- a Coordinating Council of Democratic Associations and Democratic Blocs in the Ukraine Soviets, or parliaments -- also want Ukrainian conscripts serving in other Soviet trouble spots to return home, as well as privatisation of property under worker control, and nationalisation of Communist Party assets.

The coordinating council was created last July.

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#90269d5330 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 26) - A French company, Technip, has urged its employees who are being held in Baghdad hotels to reduce their living expenses because they have nearly eaten, drunk and telephoned their way through funds available in a company bank account.

The problem came to light after it emerged that a Technip sub-contractor, GERIB, had decided to end the employment contracts of its 10 employees in

Baghdad and to demand payment of telephone and hotel expenses totalling 40,000 francs (7,700 dollars) from one of its staff.

A spokesman for the Technip engineering group said that it had been working on two contruction sites when the Gulf crisis began, and was now paying the hotel expenses of about 10 of its own staff and of the employees of about 10 sub-contracting companies, representing in total between 50 and 100 people.

Bills from the two hotels were costing Technip about two million French francs (384,000 dollars) per month, and were paid weekly from a dinar account which Technip had established in Baghdad for the operation of its sites.

"The funds available are drying up. We might be able to hold out for another month or a month and a half, but what will we do when there is no more money?" the spokesman told AFP.

In principle, Technip may not send more funds to Baghdad because of the United Nations embargo inmposed after Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

"We have therefore asked employees to be careful because we want absolutely to keep them in the hotels. So far none of our employees nor any of those of our sub-contractors, has been sent to a strategic site. We want to keep it like this."

The spokesman said: "Under the circumstances some people have run up excessive expenses. That is why we have told them to toe the line."

He added that it was understandable that the hostages phoned their families. Technip was continuing to pay its own employees held in Baghdad their full allowances, but it was up to sub-contracting firms to decide whether to prolong the contracts of their own employees.

Technip said that it had not specifically asked for 40,000 francs from GERIB, adding: "We merely indicated to our sub-contractors that we would work out later who owed whom what."

Regarding the decision by Iraq to seize local assets owned by western interests, Technip said that so far the bank account had not been seized although there were now "problems" in drawing from the account.

Technip was in contact with the French government to try to find solutions to all of these problems.

At the time Iraq invaded Kuwait, Technip was building a natural-gas factory in the south of Iraq near the border with Kuwait, and was working on a hydrocarbons field in the north of the country.

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LIBREVILLE (SEPT. 26) - A 20-member committee drafting a new constitution to legalize multi-party politics in Gabon has completed its work three months after being appointed, officials said here Wednesday.

The draft, due for approval by the national assembly, "enshrines pluralist democracy by taking pains to guarantee the most freedoms possible" and sought to set up institutions "better adapted to this new political landscape," acting Justice Minister Cecile Nkama commented.

Innovations include cutting the presidential mandate from seven to five years and making it renewable only once (President Omar Bongo has held office since 1967).

The prime minister's powers are boosted, and a two-tier parliament of national assembly and senate is proposed.

A first round of voting, with 520 candidates fighting 120 seats, was held last weekend to elect an interim national assembly. Only Mr. Bongo's party fielded candidates in every constituency, in what was the country's first multi-party poll in a quarter of a century.

The authorities admitted voting was marked by "disorder, extortion and irregularities," cancelled the results in 32 constituencies, and rescheduled a second round of voting there and in 30 runoff seats for the end of October instead of this weekend as previously planned.

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BRUSSELS (SEPT. 26) - The growing danger of terrorist attacks in the wake of the Gulf crisis was discussed Wednesday by the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation council at a session in Brussels.

Nato representatives said afterwards that according to intelligence reports, terrorist organisations believed to be supported by Iraq had stepped up their activities.

''There are activities that worry us,'' they said, although there were no concrete indications of impending attacks.

The Nato allies had therefore agreed to intensify still further their cooperation and exchange all available information.

The officials, who did not wish to be identified, said terrorist organisations headed by Abu Nidal and George Habbash had converged on Baghdad during the past few weeks. It was feared they could get support from terrorist groups in

Western Europe.

''The current situation is serious,'' said officials, adding that the terrorist organisations had a ''considerable capacity'' to carry out attacks.

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JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 26) - World-acclaimed jazz trumpeter Hugh Masekela has called for the immediate but conditional lifting of the decades-long cultural boycott imposed on South Africa, local reports said Wednesday.

Breaking a 30-year-long self-imposed exile, South African-born Masekela last week returned to Johannesburg and called on other exiled artists to follow his example in "reversing the exodus".

In an interview published in the Johannesburg Star newspaper Wednesday, Masekela said it was now time for the "hardliners" who have spearheaded South Africa's cultural isolation to "bend".

"People have to adjust with the times otherwise they'll be left along the roadside... The majority of the population want to boogie, they want to have a good time and you can't stop people who want to have a good time."

Proposing the establishment of a National Arts Fund, he said the boycott had to be amended so that musicians who visited the country wouldn't just "milk our people".

"Ray Charles and Frank Sinatra came here and they just took the money, they didn't leave a guitar string or a plectrum behind. They didn't see anything, they pretended there were no poor people.

"The bulk of the money that visiting musicians generate should be left here. Under that kind of condition I think the cultural boycott should be amended," Masekela said before jetting off to the United States.

"People who want to come here, the artists who didn't want to come before because they stood in solidarity with us, like Quincy Jones, Eddy Murphy, Michael Jackson and the Rolling Stones, should be able to come here and perform and put the money back into the community.

"I'm not saying that they shouldn't be paid, but this musn't be a bonanza place because that's why the cultural boycott was started in the first place."

He said he and other exiled South African musicians, among them Miriam Makeba, Letti Mbuli and Abdullah Ibrahim (Dollar Brand), planned a major pre-Christmas "Exiles" concert in South Africa to start the National Arts Fund rolling.

A spokesman for the Johannesburg-based anti-apartheid South African Musicians Alliance, which tightly controls the cultural boycott, Wednesday refused to comment on Masekela's proposal beyond saying it was only one of a number of options being studied.

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BY ADNANE ZAKA

MANAMA (SEPT. 26) - The positive Iraqi attitude to proposals by France to settle the Gulf crisis conceals a bid by President Saddam Hussein to split the Western campaign against Iraq and allow him an honourable exit from Kuwait.

Baghdad Tuesday welcomed as "non-hostile" a new plan by President Francois Mitterrand that calls as a priority for an Iraqi pledge to pull out of Kuwait and the release of foreigners held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait.

Analysts said the plan, which has received a cautious response from Washington after it was presented Monday at the United Nations, would allow Iraq an honourable way out of Kuwait as it satisfies some of Baghdad's demands.

Mr. Mitterrand said once Iraq had made its pledge and freed the hostages, the U.N. would guarantee the withdrawal, the restoration of Kuwaiti sovereignty and "the expression of the democratic choice of the Kuwaiti people."

This is a departure from earlier Western calls for an immediate Iraqi pullout, which Baghdad believes would still leave it vulnerable to a U.S. attack, and for a restoration of the previous Kuwaiti leadership.

Iraq detests Kuwait's exiled ruling al-Sabah family and a pullout that would lead to a restoration of the status quo would be a serious loss of face.

Baghdad would also be encouraged by Mr. Mitterrand's proposal for an international Middle East conference as the third stage of his plan, although he opposed a global solution to all the region's problems.

President Hussein, in opposing U.N. calls for a pullout from Kuwait, has repeatedly called for all Middle East issues to be resolved together.

Whether or not the plan is accepted by the international community, Iraq's positive reaction was also a calculated political move.

Baghdad has been looking for ways to encourage a political and military split between France and the United States and weaken the Western alliance opposed to Iraq's occupation of Kuwait, Gulf analysts said.

It made an initial test of French resolve when it allowed its troops to

ransack the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait City September 14.

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MANAMA (SEPT. 26) - Iraq's invasion of Kuwait has reinforced the world's negative perception of Arab countries and their people and dealt a blow to the cause of Arab nationalism and the fight for a Palestinian state, human rights groups and Arab intellectuals fear.

Yet the root cause for a cultural and political ''iron curtain'' between the West and the Arab world lies in the West, they say.

''Arabs in U.S. feel the backlash'', wrote the daily Gulf Times in Qatar as reports began appearing here of an anti-Arab feeling abroad following Iraq's march into Kuwait.

As one student commentated: ''We will all have to pay the price for these shattering effects of the invasion.''

Arabs claim their image abroad has long been fixed by the poor press they have received as a result of plane hijackings by Arab groups, terrorist attacks or the civil war in Lebanon.

Edward Said, an Arab orientalists and professor of literature, said that when viewing television and reading journals in the West he was often struck by ''how little awareness there is that the Arab world is more than a large and empty desert sitting on top of a wide pool of oil''.

He told the Arab News it was as if there was a general preference for ''conceiving the Arab and Islamic world basically empty, or filled with terrorists and oil suppliers''.

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BANGKOK (SEPT. 26) - Cambodian guerrilla factions Wednesday accused Phnom Penh of sabotaging the peace process, following its rejection of a compromise proposal by guerrilla leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk on the make-up of an interim authority for the country.

One guerrilla official said here it ''amounted to sabotage'' of an agreement earlier this month in Jakarta where the Cambodian adversaries formed the authority, the Supreme National Council (SNC).

He also accused the Vietnamese-backed government in Phnom Penh of ''de facto rejection'' of a United Nations-brokered framework to end Cambodia's 12-year-old civil war.

Squabbling between Cambodia's warring factions on the composition of the SNC led to the collapse last week in the Thai capital of the first meeting of the body.

The continuing dispute ruled out the possibility of a resumption of the meeting here this week as had been tentatively planned, Thai officials said.

The blueprint provides for the setting up of the SNC to represent Cambodia at the world organization and giving the U.N. broad executive powers until elections are held.

Another guerrilla official said the guerrilla coalition joining the powerful Khmer Rouge, Cambodia's former Marxist rulers, with two smaller non-communist factions had already made many concessions, particularly in accepting that the SNC be equally divided between Phnom Penh and the resistance as a whole.

''The more they (Phnom Penh) are given, the more they demand. This is standard communist tactics,'' he said.

Vietnam invaded Cambodia in December 1978 to overthrow a Beijing-supported Khmer Rouge radical Marxist regime and replace it with a client government which is also communist but less extreme.

Prince Sihanouk, in a bid to reactivate talks between the factions, proposed Monday that the 12-member SNC be expanded by two, with himself being named chairman and the Phnom Penh government being given an extra seat.

At the meeting which collapsed last week, Mr. Hun Sen had refused to accept the prince as a 13th member to chair the SNC, saying he should replace one of the six guerrilla representativbes already named.

But Cham Prasith, a vice minister in Mr. Hun Sen's office, said Tuesday that Phnom Penh was rejecting Prince Sihanouk's offer because it failed to include giving the premier the SNC vice-presidency.

Mr. Hun Sen said last week at a press conference before returning home from Bangkok that he would accept Prince Sihanouk as chairman of an equally divided SNC, but added, ''then, the Phnom Penh side will be given the vice-chairmanship.''

(And in Phnom Penh Wednesday he told an estimated 25,000 people at a demonstration of mass support for the government: "Our position is that we maintain 12 members without Sihanouk".

(Mr. Hun Sen said that he had received a faxed message from the tripartite resistance with a programme for a resumed SNC meeting, earmarking Prince Sihanouk as president of the council but failing to mention the vice

presidency.

(He said three formulas were acceptable to his government: Prince Sihanouk as president with Mr. Hun Sen as vice president, two co-chairmen, or a single chairman rotated on a monthly basis.

(But he said that Phnom Penh was ready to resume the meeting if the resistance abided by the Jakarta accord and its provision for 12 members.

(Mr. Hun Sen, speaking on the first anniversary of the Vietnamese withdrawal from Phnom Penh, also said that he wanted the SNC to discuss the immediate implementation of a cease-fire, "but the other side insisted on discussing the presidency alone.")

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#90269d5810 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 26) - Thai police on Wednesday launched a crackdown on illegal substandard gas tankers as the death toll from the fiery explosion of an unlicensed tanker climbed to 59, police said.

Hospitals said they would seek massive skin donations from the public to use as grafts for the almost 100 people who suffered burns in Monday's disaster. Many of those injured had third degree burns covering the whole body.

Gas transports which were not licensed and did not meet the standard set by the government's Public Works Department will be subject to arrest, the police said.

The measures were reinforced after a double-capsuled truck carrying about 3,700 litres of liquefied petroleum gas crashed in a sea of fire into buildings in the heart of Bangkok, setting ablaze scores of vehicles trapped at a traffic light.

The fire gutted 40 shops on both sides of the street, 60 houses in a nearby slum and left about 1,000 people homeless. Damage was estimated at 100 million baht (four million dollars).

The police said they found that the truck, believed to have belonged to Siam Gas Co., did not have a license and did not comply with government standards. The manager of the company is still at large, they said.

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#90269d5880 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (SEPT. 26) - Several thousand supporters of the opposition Movement of Serbian Renewal (MSR), protesting at alleged police violence and a ban on its newspaper, Wednesday braved a police ban on all demonstrations in central

Belgrade.

Police roughed up three women after checking their identity papers, MSR leader Vuk Draskovic told demonstrators. Mr. Draskovic's wife was among the three.

Two members of the Serbian Saint Sava party told an Agence France-Presse correspondent they had also been manhandled. No other incidents were reported after the rally ended.

Demonstrators had been called to gather outside the official residence of Serbia's president in the former royal palace but police pushed them back and ringed in the crowd at the nearby federal parliament building.

Serbian authorities had on Tuesday confirmed a ban on demonstrations in central Belgrade effective since June, but said the rally could be held in a park on the outskirts of the city.

MSR spokesmen have attacked the police for cracking down on movement members in the country at large and said that the MSR must again be able to publish its newspaper Srpska rec (The Serbian Word).

Demonstrators, in a letter to Serbian authorities, called for the resignation of the interior minister and access to the Belgrade media by all opposition groups.

The press in Yugoslavia's capital is mostly controlled by Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic's reformed communist Socialist Party.

The MSR and other opposition parties Wednesday filed a lawsuit against the Socialist Party for forcing company directors and employees to organize rallies in support of the ruling party during work hours.

The state-run television Monday showed footage from gatherings in several Serbian companies in which people criticized a demonstration organized by opposition groups here outside Mr. Milosevic's office Monday.

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#90269d5950 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (SEPT. 26) - Two white "bullies" who abducted a black man and assaulted and humiliated him before leaving him in a field to die were Wednesday jailed by a Supreme Court judge here.

Mr. Justice Swart jailed Wynand Bakker, 22, to 10 years' jail and Neels Nel, 20, to eight years' jail for the murder of Ezekiel Mashala last year.

The judge described the men as bullies who had abducted a helpless man simply because he was black.

He said Mr. Mashala must have felt like a trapped, terrified animal when the men kept him prisoner in the back of their car.

The possibilities were overwhelming that he was assaulted while in the car and he was probably informed of his fate with great glee. The fact that his assault was turned into a "spectator sport" must have been intensely humiliating.

Later the accused mutilated their victim's body by cutting off his ears and middle fingers and displayed their "trophies" to their girlfriends.

The judge accepted that alcohol played a part in the incident, that the accused had influenced each other, that they were both young and that they were first offenders.

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KABUL (SEPT. 26) - Kabul army chief General Nabi Azimi on Wednesday played down a massive snap deployment of troops and tanks in the Afghan capital, calling it an exercise in defence preparedness.

He also denied that a huge explosion, which shook the city's Wazir Akhbar Khan diplomatic area before troops rushed into the city center, had taken place in the vicinity of the home ministry, saying what people had heard was outgoing artillery.

In a briefing called inside the fortified Kabul garrison headquarters, the general said the manoeuvres had involved air force, artillery and army units and had been "aimed at testing the defence preparedness" of his men and to educate the public.

He said the exercise, which is conducted every three months, also involved ruling party cadres who were pushed into service with rifles and heavy weapons to man street corners.

The briefing came after journalists and diplomats, most of whom witnessed a coup attempt against Afghan President Najibullah in March by army and airforce units, had telephoned the defence ministry to find out why the troops had been called out.

"All important streets, important buildings and key positions were occupied by the army," Gen. Azimi said.

He added that the exercise had begun at 9:00 a.m. (0430 GMT) and had ended three hours later.

He denied reports of a huge explosion in the area of the home ministry prior to the troop deployment, saying it had been the sound of artillery fire directed at mujahedeen resistance positions in the hills around the capital.

"We had fired at the rebels," he said, referring to the blast which reverberated through the diplomatic area of Wazir Akhbar Khan.

Journalists trying to reach the scene were turned back at the nearby state television station at gunpoint.

"This exercise proves that the armed forces are willing to repulse any muajhedeen offensive on the Afghan capital," he said, adding that soldiers from other ministries with military wings had taken part in the surprise manoeuvres.

"We are ready to fight off any offensive on this city," said Gen. Azimi, who commands three elite divisions totalling 24,000 men.

The briefing was recorded by national television apparently to reassure Kabul citizens who had panicked when tanks raced through the streets.

"Last time we defeated a coup through our preparedness," he said referring to the March coup attempt led by former defence minister Shah Nawaz Tanai.

He also said the army had prior presidential consent for the deployment of troops in the city of 1.5 million.

Streets however remained empty late Wednesday and cars stayed off the roads despite the announcement that the manoeuvres were an exercise.

Observers said the participation of President Najibullah's Watan party members in the war game appeared to indicate that the manoeuvre was geared more towards another possible military coup attempt than to a mujahedeen attack.

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PRETORIA (SEPT. 26) - South Africa's maize harvest for 1989-90 fell by 2.8 million tons, coming in at 8.75 million tons against the previous year's second best-ever harvest of 11.55 million tons, the Maize Board said here Wednesday.

Maize Board spokesman Piet de Nysschen said that heavy rain in the planting season had meant that some 300,000 hectares (741,000 acres) that would normally have been planted lay fallow in 198990.

Drought in the key maize belt areas of western Transvaal and the northeastern Orange Free State in the critical months of January and February also contributed to the lower harvest, he said, but added the crop was more of a

return to normal than a particularly bad year.

The harvest comprised 4.7 million tons of white maize and 4.05 million tons of yellow maize, the Board said.

Other harvests announced by the Board were 362,000 tons of grain sorghum, 79,000 tons of ground nuts, and 609,000 tons of sunflower seed.

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BELGRADE (SEPT. 26) - The crown prince of Yugoslavia, Alexander Karadjordjevic, said in a live interview Tuesday night with a Yugoslav radio station that he would only return from lifelong exile in London as King Alexander II.

It was the first time the prince spoke directly to a Yugoslav audience.

The only son of King Peter II, who died in 1965, explained in excellent Serbo-Croatian that unlike many members of the royal family, he had no intention of returning to his country as a mere visitor.

"I would like to go to my country, but I am not a tourist and if I return some day, it will be to serve it as king," he said.

He chided a Serbian party that asked his uncle Prince Tomislav -- also a Londoner -- to run for president, saying firmly, "I head the dynasty. I would like everyone to forget the offer and never renew it."

Prince Tomislav had refused the offer.

At a time when Yugoslavia is gripped by centrifugal ethnic forces, Prince Alexander has seen his popularity rise. Many see him as he sees himself -- a unifying force at a time when the Balkan nation needs one badly.

He favors a British-style constitutional monarchy that would hold together a federation of republics administered by a freely elected government.

"The king would be the point of intersection of all the political parties of the country," he said.

He praised Slovenia and Croatia for having instituted free elections, but asserted, "The rest of the country is still a dictatorship."

"We must not be the last in Europe to choose the path of democracy," he said. "There will be a lot to do after democratic elections. We have lost 45 years."

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#90269d6490 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) - Israel does not hold it against Egypt that the United States will forgive its seven billion dollar military debt, but the Jewish state is more deserving of such a move, an Israeli official said Wednesday.

Israeli Finance Minister Itzhak Modai said forgiveness of its 4.5 billion dollar U.S. debt is more urgent because Israel faces a greater threat from Iraq.

''We have no objection to the forgiveness of the Egyptian loan,''

he said, ''but as far as we are concerned, it stands to reason that once this loan is forgiven, the Israeli loan, which is fortunately only half this amount should also be forgiven by the same token, and most probably for the same reason.''

Israel, he said in an interview with the telvision network Cnn, is in confrontation with Iraq ''much more so'' than Egypt. ''In the first place, we are within range of Iraqi missiles. All they have to do is push a button.''

Modai has been in Washington since Monday, discussing his country's financial problems with Treasury Secretary James Brady, Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger, and members of Congress.

Other strains on Israel's economy include the absorption of up to a million Soviet Jews over a five-year period, and the costs of preparing for an Iraqi attack.

Israel spends 12 percent of its budget just on defence, he said, enough money to ''build another Israel next to the present one.''

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#90269d6520 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FRANKFURT (SEPT. 26) - East Germany's national bank (Staatsbank) will borrow 8 billion marks (5.1 billion dollars) on the West German capital market to refinance outstanding credits, it was announced here Wednesday.

The money will be raised through an issue of bearer bonds in two segments of 4 billion marks each through Deutsche Bank and Dresdner Bank. The bonds will be introduced on the Frankfurt and Berlin exchanges.

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#90269d6540 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 26) - The French government on Wednesday issued a stern warning against attempts to move the European Parliament from Strasbourg to Brussels.

In a letter to European Parliament President Enrique Baron Crespo, made public Wednesday, Foreign Minister Roland Dumas spoke of the "grave consequences" and "the attitude of hostility" such a move would entail.

Mr. Dumas said Strasbourg was "exclusively" the city where full sessions of the European parliament should be held and rejected "insidious attempts" to move the seat of parliament elsewhere.

A decision to hold a full special session of parliament in Brussels in October would constitute a violation of the Treaty of Rome, Mr. Dumas said.

The treaty provides that the choice of the headquarters of European institutions can only be decided by unanimous agreements among the governments of all member states, he said.

The Enlarged Bureau of the European Parliament meets Thursday to consider holding a special session of parliament in Brussels in October for the first time and to take decisions concerning the purchase of property for use by a European chamber.

While Mr. Dumas said Paris understands the "preoccupations of parliament concerning the organisation of its work," he warned against any initiative which ignored the Treaty of Rome.

"It is unreasonable to pursue a dead end that the French resent as an attitude of hostility regarding them," the minister said.

A controversy has raged for several years over the question of moving the European Parliament to Brussels, where the European Commission, executive wing of the European Economic Community, is already located.

France is demanding that Strasbourg be definitively confirmed as the seat of parliament and has been blocking decisions on the location of other Community headquarters.

Belgian Prime Minister Wilfred Martens has said he will use his veto to block confirmation of Strasbourg as Parliament headquarters.

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#90269d6560 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (SEPT. 26) - No general election will be held in Kenya before the due date of 1993, the ruling party's chairman Peter Oloo Aringo stated while attacking people who wanted to create "chaos and anarchy", the official Kenya News Agency reported on Wednesday.

Speaking on Tuesday at Kisumu in western Kenya, Mr. Aringo said the current

government had been "popularly elected by the people according to the constitution" in 1988.

People urging early elections should forget the idea, he said.

Many political and religious figures called for the dissolution of parliament and early general elections during hearings in July and August of a review committee set up by the Kenya African National Union, the country's only legal political movement.

President Daniel arap Moi, also speaking on Tuesday at Eldoret, said: "We have no reason whatsoever to indulge in experiments on how our nation should be governed. We made our choice a long time ago. The choice is one government, one people and one nation".

The KANU review committee received a number of calls for the introduction of political pluralism. The two leading proponents, former government ministers Kenneth Matiba and Charles Rubia, have been in detention without trial since early July. Their arrest sparked off nearly a week of rioting in which at least 22 people died.

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NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT. 26) - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd told the U.N. General Assembly here Wednesday that once the Gulf crisis was resolved, the Palestinian problem must be tackled.

Speaking a day after the Security Council passed a resolution extending its arms and economic embargo to include air traffic, Mr. Hurd said, "Although Iraq's aggression dominates our thoughts about the Middle East, we must not lose sight of other issues in the region, above all the need for a just solution to the Palestinian problem."

He was echoing a theme highlighted by other members of the Security Council during Tuesday's debate.

Cuba, the only of the 15 council members to vote against the air embargo on Iraq, noted for instance that the council had failed to act as decisively in the cases "of Palestine, Lebanon and apartheid."

After the vote Tuesday, Mr. Hurd called the air embargo on Iraq "another brick to the international wall being constructed around the aggressor."

"There was something about the simple brutality of the (August 2) attack on Kuwait which put it in a category by itself. It was clear and complete. Every principle of law was flouted," he told the assembly Wednesday.

"Once (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein has been driven from Kuwait, we will need to consider how lasting peace can be brought to the Middle East," he said.

Referring specifically to the Palestinian question, he added: "We have no intention of forgetting that unfinished business.

"But any solution to that problem will have to rest on respect for international law and of engagements entered into. That is why before that problem can be solved, we must deal with the case of Iraq.

"It is clear that the chances of a more secure world order depend directly on the success of the international coalition in reversing the occupation of Kuwait.

"The test is formidable but it cannot be evaded. This a defining moment. How we act now will shape the next decade."

Mr. Hurd also stressed the need for a new security structure for the Middle East, echoing a similar suggestion recently made by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker.

But Mr. Hurd made it clear that it was up to "the states in the region to decide how this should be done."

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#90269d6650 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 26) - At least seven people were killed and 14 injured when a bomb exploded in a mini-bus in the Punjab town of Sialkot Wednesday, police said.

The packed mini-bus was on its way from Sialkot to Shakargarh, bordering India when a powerful bomb exploded killing seven people instantly, they said.

Four of the injured were in critical condition, they added.

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#90269d6770 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (SEPT. 26) - Iraqi authorities have said 12 Irishmen, all over the age of 55 and believed to be employed by Irish firms with interests in Baghdad, could be granted exit visas to return home soon, the Irish Foreign Ministry said Wednesday.

A spokesman said permission for the 12 to depart, along with three Irishwomen, was contingent on approval from the Iraqi organisations they were working for.

Iraq has released thousands of Western women and children since its August 2

invasion of Kuwait but has continued to hold most Western men in the country hostage.

The 15 Irish nationals, whose names were delivered to Irish embassy officials in Baghdad, were believed to be employed either by Baghdad's Parc Hospital, a subsidiary of the Irish national airline Aer Lingus, or by the Irish engineering consultant firm MF Kent which has been contracted for work by Iraqi firms.

The Iraqi authorities provided no further explanation for why the group had been selected, the spokesman said, adding that Irish ambassador Antoin Mac Unfraidh had been told they might be granted exit visas within days.

Two Irishmen reported to be employed by MF Kent along with a third Irishman were arrested earlier this month and were said to be awaiting court action for trying to flee from Iraq without obtaining authorization.

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#90269d6790 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT. 26) - Exactly a week before the two Germanies are to be reunified, West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher Wednesday pledged that the new state would not strive for more power but would help Europe shape a new world order.

Addressing the U.N. General Assembly here for the last time as the West German foreign minister, he said: "The united Germany will carry greater weight. With it we shall not strive for more power but will be conscious of the greater responsibility such additional weight implies.

"We will accept this responsibility in Europe and around the world. We will place our weight on Europe's scales in such a way that it will benefit all nations in our continent and hence the whole of manking."

"Germany recognizes and accepts its responsibility to help a better future for Europe. We want a German Europe but a European Germany," he said.

In words meant to reassure the new state's neighbors, Mr. Genscher reiterated that "the United Germany has no territorial claims whatsoever against other states and will not assert any in the future."

"Our relationship with Poland is a special manifestation of our European calling. We therefore intend to establish in an additional, comprehensive treaty the basis for a new chapter of good-neighborly relations between Germans and Poles."

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#90269d6830 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (SEPT. 26) - Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak announced Wednesday that a referendum would be held on October 11 to decide on dissolving the people's assembly or parliament.

In a statement broadcast live on Egyptian radio and television, Mubarak said: ''I have decided to go to the people, who alone are sovereign and the source of powers, to seek their opinion in a referendum on dissolving the people's assembly.

The move follows a ruling by the constitutional court from May 19 that previous electoral procedures were unconstitutional because they favoured candidates entered on party lists and gave little chance to independent contenders.

Mubarak announced that the court's decision would be respected and promised to introduce electoral changes, including the direct election of deputies.

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BANGKOK (SEPT. 26) - Burmese officials have warned monks and students they will face stern action if they creating disturbances and instability in the country, Radio Rangoon said Wednesday.

The radio, monitored here, quoted Major General Tin U, secretary of the ruling State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC), as saying that some monks and students had "in recent days" caused disturbances and created instability in Mandalay, Burma's second largest city.

Maj. Gen. Tin U's remarks were made in talks with officials in the three central cities of Mandalay, Sagaing and Magwe Thursday to Sunday.

He said that if the peace and stability of the country continued to be affected and excesses were committed once again, effective action would be taken in accordance with the law.

Lieutenant General Phone Myint, home and religious affairs minister, said during the same trip: "Today, people who are envious of the stabilizing and tranquil situation in the country are infiltrating the young students and young monks and are encouraging unrest and disturbances.

"We urge them to stop these acts now," Lt. Gen. Phone Myint said. "We are able to crush the threat that emanates from inside the country and care very little about the threat that comes from the outside because we have the power to overcome that threat."

The military seized power in September 1988 and put down pro-democracy

protests. The SLORC allowed general elections in May which were won by the main opposition National League for Democracy but has so far shown no readiness to hand over power.

Rangoon-based diplomats have reported hundreds of arrests in several cities as unrest against the junta has increased.

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#90269d6930 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EAST BERLIN (SEPT. 26) - The East German cabinet Wednesday held its final meeting before the two Germanys reunify on October 3.

The democratically elected government only functioned for six months. Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere, 50, said after the meeting: ''I feel a bit sad.'' De Maiziere is to join the Bonn cabinet as a minister without portfolio until elections December 2.

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#90269d6940 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH, West Germany (SEPT. 26) - West German engineering and truck concern MAN said Wednesday it had ceded its 76.91 percent holding in KM-Kabelwetal to Italian group SMI for 551.7 million Deutsche marks (344.8 million dollars).

KM-Kabelmetal had a consolidated turnover of 2.6 billion Deutsche marks (1.6 billion dollars) last year and employs 8,376 people.

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#90269d6990 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 26) - A high court Wednesday ordered the three largest national dailies of Pakistan to answer charges of contempt as legal battles intensified over last month's dismissal of premier Benazir Bhutto and all the assemblies of the country.

The newspapers, Nawa-e-Waqt, Jang and Dawn, were accused of sensationalising the proceedings of the Lahore High Court by reporting that the present caretaker administration of Pakistan was there only to hold elections, according to state-run television.

They had said there was a 90-per-cent chance of the dismissed assemblies being revived. Earlier the newspapers had been twice warned by the court for allegedly inaccurate reporting. They are to answer the charges Saturday.

The contempt notices to the newspapers followed a verdict by the Peshawar High Court restoring the dismissed government and the assembly of the Northwest Frontier Province (Nwfp).

But the caretaker government immediately secured a supreme court order stopping implementation of the Peshawar judgement.

The high court said it did not find ''an iota of reliable evidence'' to prove the Nwfp government, run by Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party (Ppp), and the assembly had been legally dismissed by the provincial governor.

Referring to the governor's claim of immunity from appearing before the court, it said: ''It does not lie in the mouth of the rulers to claim immunity for appearance in courts of law as functionaries of an Islamic state ...''.

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#90269d7160 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 26) - Two London futures exchanges, the Futures and Options Exchange (FOX) and the Baltic Futures Exchange (BFE), plan to merge to make it easier to expand operations, the BFE said in a statement Wednesday.

The move, which requires approval by members of both exchanges, will enable development of existing contracts and exploration of new possibilities, BFE chief Pat Elmer said.

The BFE comprises futures contracts on potatoes, grain, soya flour, pork and freight shipping, and is considering introducing contracts on oil freight and lamb and mutton.

The FOX has contracts on robusta coffee, cocoa, sugar, rubber and an indicator price for non-ferrous metals, and is planning to add an arabica coffee contract in the next three to six months.

It is also studying the possibility of introducing contracts on electricity and property.

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#90269d7170 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 26) - French group Lafarge-Coppee said Wednesday it made a net profit of 1.004 billion francs (189 million dollars) in the first half of this year, up from 986 million (186 million dollars) in the same period of 1989.

Sales were up 15 percent at 15.71 billion francs (2.96 billion dollars) against 13.64 billion (2.57 billion dollars).

But on a comparable structure basis, turnover was up only five percent.

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#90269d7300 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 26) - Some 2,000 demonstrators, including scores of mayors and accompanied by a dozen wild horses, marched here Wednesday in protest against a proposed new route for the high-speed TGV train that would carve through southern France's Provence region.

After marching on the office of Prime Minister Michel Rocard, who refused to meet with a delegation of five elected officials, the demonstrators pledged to occupy train stations and tracks.

Among them were 38 mayors and a dozen of the wild horses of the Camargue region, at the delta of the Rhone river. Some of the protestors wore traditional costumes.

One mayor said the proposed route would "destroy 80 to 100 villages and disturb the tranquility of 200 others".

The new route is aimed at speeding up travel between Paris, Nice and Marseilles. Its opponents have called for changes that they say would add "only a few minutes" to the travel time.

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#90269d7360 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (SEPT. 26) - The white Pretoria City Council restored electricity to two black townships Wednesday barely 12 hours after it was cut due to unpaid bills.

Lights came on in Attridgeville and Mamelodi, adjoining Pretoria, as the two communities were preparing to take court action against the city council, civic leader A.S. Nkomo said.

A day earlier the council said it was being forced to make the move because the two black town councils had not paid their bills because of a boycott.

By August 24, Attridgeville owed some 1.7 million rands (661,478 dollars) and Mamelodi 3 million rands (1.17 million dollars).

In a statement published here Wednesday, the Pretoria council said electricity had been turned on pending a final agreement between all parties, but warned that electricity would be cut indefinitely if no agreement was reached by October 12.

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#90269d7390 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT 26) - Iraq Wednesday sharply criticised Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze a day after he told the U.N general Assembly the United

Nations would be justified in using force to drive Iraq out of Kuwait if sanctions failed.

A commentary by the official Iraqi News Agency said the Soviet Union had adopted Washington's hostile attitude towards Iraq ''which stand counter to all that is humane and honourable''.

Shevardnanze's speech demonstrated that he was not concerned with friendship with Arab states. If the Soviet foreign minister was ''not keen'' on friendship with the Arabs, they in turn ''will not be keen on you or the likes of you'', the report said.

In his speech in New York, Shevardnadze said the United Nations ''has the power to answer aggression with violence''.

Shevardadze said Wednesday he was still optimistic of a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis but this could only be achieved by Iraq withdrawing from Kuwait, the Soviet Tass news agency reported.

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#90269d7430 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (SEPT. 26) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,500.00 (1,477.00) 1,457.50 (1,443.50)
Lead 424.00 (430.00) 437.50 (443.50)
Zinc Sh 1,411.00 (1,432.50) 1,384.00 (1,392.50)
Tin 5,992.50 (5,910.00) 6,107.50 (6,020.00)
Aluminium 2,007.50 (1,982.50) 1,896.50 (1,897.50)
Nickel 10,600.00 (10,375.00) 10,175.00 (10,087.00)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90269d7450 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (SEPT. 26) - Argentina will continue to sell wheat to Iran even though it cannot prevent the grain from being reshipped to Iraq in violation of the U.N.-mandated trade embargo against Baghdad, the head of the government's grain authority said Wednesday.

Grain Board chairman Jose Ramon Saez Garcia said Argentina and Iran were still negotiating a possible 1.5-million-ton wheat deal. But he added that the sale could fall through because of the low price being offered.

Last week grain industry officials here said the talks with Teheran had collapsed over the price issue, with Argentina offering to sell the wheat for 80 dollars per ton and Iran offering to pay 70 dollars.

Talking with reporters here Wednesday, Mr. Saez said that if Iran were to get the wheat, Argentina "cannot foresee what Iran and Iraq would do next."

He said it would be impossible for Argentina to ensure the wheat would not find its way to Iraqi hands in breach of the trade embargo.

Argentina has pledged to abide by the embargo, imposed after Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2, and on Tuesday Buenos Aires dispatched two warships to help enforce the naval blockade in the Gulf.

Before the Gulf crisis, Iraq was one of the biggest importers of Argentine grain and beef.

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#90269d7660 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 26) - India is to send two more military aircraft to Iraq to bring back Indian nationals, but must seek United Nations clearance for any further flights, a government official here said Wednesday.

Iraq had given landing permission for five flights of airforce transport planes to fly Indians home before a new U.N. resolution passed Tuesday extending the sea embargo on Iraq to cover planes.

Three of the evacuation flights from the Iraqi city of Basra had already been carried out, a Ministry of External Affairs spokesman said.

He said that New Delhi was not required to seek U.N. clearance for the remaining two flights to Basra, but that clearance would be required for any further flights, even though they were unlikely.

Meanwhile, the national television Wednesday said that some 15,000 Indians from Iraq and Kuwait were waiting in Jordan to be flown back home on civilian flights.

Some 66,794 Indians have been officialy repatriated since the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. About 172,000 Indians were in Kuwait and 10,000 in Iraq at the time of the invasion.

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#90269d7670 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Dublin (SEPT. 26) - Inflation in Ireland is down to 2.9 percent for the past 12 months, just marginally above the rate in West Germany and le half the

European Community average of 5.9 percent.

The latest figures are a strong boost for government economic policy in advance of talks with the country's trade unions and employers about a new three-year national plan to regulate incomes.

Forecasters say the economy should continue to grow at its present rate of about 4 percent a year if the Gulf crisis does not cause a worldwide recession.

For the past three years pay increases have been kept to an annual rate of just 2.5 percent, slightly below the annual inflation rate of 3 percent.

While this has led to dissatisfaction among some trade unionists it has resulted in a turn around in the economy and the virtual elimination of government borrowing for day to day spending.

With inflation in Britain, Ireland's main trading partner, now running nearly four times higher at 10.6 percent the benefits of continuing the strict economic regime are obvious to trade union and employers leaders.

Irish exports are booming as a result of wage costs being kept under control, and the country is heading for a significant trade surplus for the fifth year in a row.

The one black spot in the economy is unemployment which remains at 16 percent of the labour force - well above the European Community average.

Though employment is expanding, it is not growing fast enough to cater for a workforce which is expanding even more rapidly as a result of high birth rates in the late 1960's and early 1970's.

A by product of this has been high emigration since the mid-1980's, though this is slowing down as the economy begins to grow.

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#90269d7830 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRID (SEPT. 26) - Former Algerian president, Ahmed Ben Bella, 73, left here by boat for Algiers Wednesday after ten years in exile.

Some 700 supporters and members of his party, Movement for Democrarcy in Algeria (Mda), boarded the Algerian ferry El Hoggar for the journey home. They are due to reach Algiers Thursday.

Ben Bella was ousted in a coup in 1965 and spent 14 years in prison before being allowed to go into exile in 1980 by President Chadli Benjedid.

Ben Bella went first to Barcelona and then spent most of the time in

Switzerland.

''I am not returning to Algeria as a saviour'', Ben Bella said before the ship sailed. ''I want only to make again my modest contribution to the building up of my country''.

He plans to make a speech on arriving in Algiers and then to go on tour of the country. Travelling with him on the boat is Otelo Saraiva de Carvalho, one of the chief strategists of the peaceful revolution in Portugal in 1974.

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#90269d8350 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD, (SEPT 26) - Iraq will cut off food supplies to all foreigners stranded in Kuwait and Iraq starting October 1, a reliable source said.

The source said Foreign Minister Tarek Aziz informed the International Committee of the Red Cross his country would not be able to provide foreigners with their food requirements beyond October 1.

Vietnam's Ambassador to the United Nations in Geneva said Wednesday that 16,137 Vietnamese workers in Iraq were in a highly precarious situation following an announcement here that they would receive no more food from next Monday.

Prince Sadruddin Agha Khan, the United Nations' special humanitarian representative for the Gulf, said in mid-September that two million foreigners -- mostly Arab and Asian workers -- were stuck in Iraq and Kuwait.

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#90269d8440 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, (SEPT 26) - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher called on British employers Wednesday to keep salary increases below the inflation rate, now 10.6 per cent, saying that to do otherwise would fuel inflation and endanger productivity.

"It's quite wrong for wage settlements simply to follow the latest Retail Price Index. That is no indication of what any business can afford", Mrs. Thatcher said in an address to the Confederation of British Industry (CBI).

"Many are spending not only what they are paid, but also as much as they can borrow. So demand has been growing too fast", she said.

"A one-per-cent increase in earnings adds nearly three times as much to costs as an extra one percentage point on interest rates", the prime minister added.

Inflation breached 10 per cent in August despite the raising of interest rates

to 15 per cent last October in a bid to reduce demand and push inflation lower.

Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major told an International Monetary Fund (IMF) meeting in Washington Wednesday that fighting inflation was his top priority but he predicted the rate could go even higher.

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#90269d8450 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, (SEPT 26) - Eleven British women and children arrived here Wednesday from Iraq on a Jordanian Airlines flight.

Among the 11 were three British Airways stewardesses who landed in Kuwait just hours after it was invaded by Iraqi troops.

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#90269d8590 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) - Iraqi forces have captured at least seven more Americans, bringing to at least 100 the number of U.S. citizens held by Iraq, the State Department said Wednesday.

Department spokesman Richard Boucher said the seven Americans were probably in Kuwait when they were abducted, but he did not say when they were captured or where they were being held.

He said the United States had had no access to any U.S. citizens held by Iraq since September 22, when the U.S. charge d'affaires in Baghdad met with an American shot and slightly wounded by Iraqi troops when he tried to flee a residence in occupied Kuwait.

"The Iraqis have also not provided us with a list of Americans that they are holding, and they have not responded to our demand that those citizens with serious medical problems be allowed to depart immediately," said Mr. Boucher.

He said Deputy Assistant Secretary of State David Mack met with Iraq's ambassador here Tuesday to raise U.S. concerns about Americans in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Since Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2, it has reportedly placed dozens of Americans at military installations to serve as human shields to discourage a U.S. attack.

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#90269d9900 09/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (SEPT. 27) - New Zealand-based corporate giant Brierley Investments Ltd. (BIL) reported Thursday a 10 percent rise in net profit for

the year to June to a record 401.7 million New Zealand dollars (249.5 million U.S.).

The figure compared with the previous year's 365.5 million dollars (227.0 million U.S.), BIL said.

Chief executive Paul Collins said the company had adopted its traditional conservative stance in writedowns. Provisions and writedowns in BIL and its Hong Kong-based subsidiary Industrial Equity (Pacific) totalled 146 million dollars (90 million dollars).

While the 10 percent increase seemed modest compared with past performances, Mr. Collins said, it had been achieved against a backdrop of adverse conditions.

He cited high interest rates, continuing volatility in world stock markets,

the "virtual total collapse" of the entrepreneurial sector in New Zealand and Australia, a slowdown in corporate profitability, and heightened concerns about recession in the United States and Britain.

The result saw earnings per share increase to 21.1 cents (13.1 U.S. cents) from 19.9 cents (12.3 U.S. cents).

A final dividend of six cents (3.7 U.S. cents) a share was declared, making an annual dividend of 11 cents (6.8 U.S. cents) a share, an increase of 15 per cent, allowing for the 1989 one-for-10 bonus issue.

For the first time, BIL's trading profit -- 495 million dollars (307 million U.S.) -- exceeded dividend and other investment income, representing 51 per cent of the gross contribution of 976 million dollars (606 million U.S.) compared with 45 percent last year.

The gross contribution by region was: 325 million dollars (201 million U.S.) from New Zealand, 97 million dollars (60 million U.S.) from Australia, 404 million dollars (250 million U.S.) from Britain and 150 million dollars (93.1 million U.S.) from the United States.

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#90269e0010 09/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Athens (SEPT. 26) EFE - Most banks and offices remained closed Wednesday in Greece for the second time in a week at the start of a two-day general strike called by trade unions to protest the government's plans to cut social security benefits.

The stoppage, expected to bring financial and administrative activity to a standstill, has been organized by the Greek General Confederation of Labor

(GSEE), the Association of Public Employees (ADEY) and other unions which represent some 1.5 million workers.

Civil servants, teachers, transport, hospital, mail, railway and telecommunications workers were all expected to heed the strike along with bank and electricity employees who have been holding their own stoppages over the last 10 days.

Most shops, as in previous strikes, are keeping their doors open and many residents of the capital are expected to spend the strike browsing around them.

The GSEE and ADEY are protesting government plans to cut pensions and raise retirement age and claim Prime Minister Constantine Mitsotakis is trying to curb the Social Security's dlrs six billion deficit by taking away benefits won by workers over the last 15 years.

Wednesday's strike, which comes six days days after unions held a 48-hour general strike, is the seventh stoppage since Mitsotakis took office in March.

Negotiations between the government and union leaders on the social security isues have so far failed to produce an agreement.

Rubbish has piled up in the streets, public transport has been constantly disrupted, while electricity services have regularly been cut and banks have been closed due to this month's stoppages.

Mitsotakis' government is now said to be considering forcing workers at key positions in banks and electricity companies to return to their posts.

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#90269e0011 09/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 26) EFE - Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens Wednesday said his government was set to increase its air and naval support of the United Nations embargo against Iraq, and added he was willing to take further action if necessary.

Martens told the lower house he had offered fellow member nations of the Western European Union (WEU) to send an escort frigate to the Persian Gulf and would make available four Hercules C-130 transport planes.

Martens said he did not rule out providing additional support "if developments in the situation make other measures necessary."

The Belgian frigate is to escort Western warships heading to the region, and if the WEU decides, it will then join ships in the Gulf maintaining the U.N. embargo or relieve another ship taking part in the blockade.

The transport planes will be at the disposal of WEU countries "during the month of October," Martens said.

Belgium already has two mine-sweepers and a support vessel operating in the Gulf.

Meanwhile, public support in Belgium for the government's decision to partake in the international effort to force Iraq out of Kuwait has increased by 10 per cent since last month.

According to an opinion poll published Wednesday in the Brussels daily Le Soir three out of four Belgians applaud the sending of their warships to the Gulf -- a 10 percent increase over a similar poll conducted August 21.

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#90269e0013 09/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT 26) EFE - The air embargo against Iraq approved by the United Nations Security Council is a "declaration of war" that will change +the situation of foreigners+ held by Baghdad, the president of Iraq's parliament said Wednesday.

In statements to the France Presse news agency, reported on Arab radio, parliamentary president Saadi Mahdi Saleh called the air embargo approved Tuesday "a new defiance, not only of Iraq but also of moral and international law."

The air embargo "in terms of international law" is a "declaration of war," Saleh said, adding that it would "impede the arrival of food and milk for children."

The new sanctions "will increase Iraq's economic problems, but will also change the situation of Westerners held by Iraq," said Saleh without explaining how the hostages would be affected.

Meanwhile, an Iraqi Airways flight on which 11 French diplomats were to have been evacuated has been delayed and flights between Baghdad and Jordan, Yemen and Libya are expected to be affected by the air embargo.

Iraq Airways is the only carrier authorized to evacuate Western foreigners from Iraq. The last flight carrying foreigners left Bagdad on Saturday with 140 people aboard.

The U.N. imposed a trade embargo on Iraq following the invasion of Kuwait August 2.

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#90269e0014 09/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
NICOSIA (SEPT 26) EFE - U.S. warplanes patrolling the Gulf forced an unidentified foreign plane to land in Bahrain to have its cargo inspected, Arab radio stations monitored in Cyprus reported Wednesday.

The reports did not give the nationality of the aircraft nor indicate whether it was carrying material which would violate the United Nations embargo against Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

The incident came only a day after the U.N. voted to extend the embargo it slapped on Iraq last month to cover the interdiction of air traffic to and from the countries affected.

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#90269e0015 09/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
TEHRAN (SEPT 26) EFE - An Iranian government organization Wednesday callps in Saudi Arabia, where their presence allegedly defiles Islam's holiest shrines.

The Tehran-based Office for the Propagation of Islam urged the Moslem faithful to join Iranians Friday in chanting "Death to America" as they march in what was termed a show of strength and confidence in victory.

According to its organizers, the march would also make it clear that "In the eyes of the Iranian people, the United States is mainly responsible for the (1980-1988 Iran-Iraq) war" in which over a million people were killed.

Following the same line, the Tehran daily Jamhuri Islami said that Friday's demonstration would celebrate a double victory, the first of which was the Iraqi decision last month to accept all of Iran's demands for a peace treaty formally ending the Iran-Iraq war.

The second victory, the paper said, was "that Iraq, which was armed to the teeth by the West, has now become a threat and turned its arms against those who supoorted and financed Baghdad in its war against Iran."

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#90269e0019 09/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
RIYADH (SEPT 26) EFE - The Saudi Arabian civil defense chief Wednesday announced that his government was to start selling gas masks to civilians at a reduced price because of the threat of an Iraqi chemical weapons attack on the country.

"We can't underestimate the result of chemical bombs," Civil Defense Director Hachem Abdelrrahman said in making the announcement.

At present an old gas mask on sale in the neighboring Gulf state of Bahrain

costs dlrs 86 and masks are in limited supply.

The Riyadh government has already handed out old gas masks to the inhabitants of parts of oil-rich eastern Saudi Arabia, one of Baghdad's probable targets in the case of an attack.

Since last month's Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, a U.S.-spearheaded multinational force has been stationed in Saudi Arabia to stave off further aggression by Baghdad in the region.

According to U.S. press reports, over the last two weeks Iraqi forces have prepared chemical decontamination sites in the south of their country where vehicles and soliders could be decontaminated if Iraqi poison gas accidentally affected its own forces.

Quoting U.S. military officials, the reports said Baghdad had as many as six such sites close to its border with occupied Kuwait.

Iraq used chemical weapons in its 1980-1988 war with Iran and against its own minority Kurdish population.

The inhabitants of a number of Gulf countries have asked their governments to buy enough masks to distribute to protect them in the case of a war in the Gulf.

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#90269e0029 09/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 26) EFE - The Soviet parliament Wednesday overwhelmingly approved the general text of a proposed law permitting freedom of religion and conscience in the Soviet Union.

Although the legislation will have to be debated article by article, there was only one voice against and one absention among the 343 deputies of the Supreme Soviet who voted.

The vote surprised even religious leaders present given the large number of communists among the legislators.

The Patriarch of the Orthodox Church of Moscow and all the Russias, Alexi II, who is also a parliamentary deputy, said that some of the church's proposals had been incorporated in the proposed law.

"The realization of the liberty of conscience in a society depends on if the state structures work in defense of it or, on the contrary, the state with all its power intends to quash the autonomy of conscience of the people," he said.

"We don't want a piece of the social cake," Alexi added, saying that the

fundamental wishes of the church was to escape from the previous limitations and obstacles on its believers.

One of the main planks of the church's proposals was that religious teaching should be allowed in state schools.

The proposed legislation would prevent the financing of atheism by the state as previously happened under Marxist rule.

Novice priests will be given the same rights as other students, and soldiers would be allowed to take part in religious activities in their spare time.

The document also proposes the ending of social discrimination against priests or those that work in religious centers.

The president of the council of Seventh Day Adventists, Mikhail Kulakov, also praised the legislation , especially the clause allowing religious groups the right to set up confessional schools.

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#90269e0035 09/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (SEPT 26) EFE - After more than a decade of searching, the locating of a youth whose parents and sisters went missing during the former Argentine military dictatorship has brought to 50 the number of "missing" children discovered by a human rights group, it was announced Wednesday.

The Grandmothers of the Plaza de Mayo, a group dedicated to finding the missing children, said they had discovered Marcelo Mariano Ruiz, 14, living with adoptive parents in the province of Cordoba, 750 km nothwest of Buenos Aires.

A total of 23 children whose parents "disappeared" during the rightist military repression in the late 1970s and early 1980s have been returned to their natural families in the last 10 years.

Another 14 have stayed with their adoptive parents and five others are waiting the courts' decision on their futures.

The remaining eight remained with families who had illegally adopted them. Most of them live in neighboring Paraguay.

At least 9,000 people were kidnapped, tortured and killed during the so-called "Dirty War" in which the Argentine military dictatorship clamped down on suspected leftists.

Dozens of their children are believed to have been illegally adopted, many of them by security force officers in Paraguay or Argentines who fled across the

border following the return to civilian government in 1983.

The leader of the Grandmothers group, Estela Carlota, said Marcelo and his parents left Argentina in 1977 because of political problems for Europe where his mother gave birth to a daughter.

But they returned to Buenos Aires three years later where they were seized and sent to a naval detention center where his mother gave birth to another daughter.

What happened to the family since then had remained a mystery and the daughters have never been located.

But when in 1985 Marcelo's aunt asked the Grandmothers to investigate the case they found that Marcelo had been abandoned in the state hospital from where he had been adopted.

Carlota said his adoptive parents had carried out a seemingly "legal" adoption. They had told the youngster of his true identity.

"Only in cases guided by the truth can we get the two families together, the blood family and the adoptive family," said Carlota.

But with illegal adoptions the grandmothers have called for the children to be returned to their true families, sometimes resulting in long legal battles.

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#90269e0036 09/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT 26) EFE - The U.S. aircraft carrier Independence is set to enter Gulf waters, carrying 70 fighter jets as part of the U.S. build up againt with Iraq, Arab radio stations reported Wednesday, citing Pentagon officials in the region.

The Independence is one of three U.S. Navy aircraft carriers dispatched to the region since Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2.

It is the first to enter Gulf waters since 1974, and it's arrival comes after the United Nations Security Council beefed up its economic embargo against Baghdad by ordering a block on all air traffic to or from Iraq.

Alongside the three aircraft carriers, Washington has sent more than 40 other vessels, including frigates, destroyers and cruisers, to the region.

The United States is spearheading the multinational forces deployed in a bid to force Iraqi troops to pull out of Kuwait.

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#90269e0037 09/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
GUATEMALA CITY (SEPT 26) EFE - A Guatemalan judge Wednesday ordered the arrest of four soldiers for the torture-slaying of a U.S. citizen in northern Guatemala last June.

Government Minister Col. Carlos Morales said the four suspects were all members of the Army counter-inteligence unit. They were identified as Rafael Tiul, Pablo Cucul, Pablo Lajuj, and Carlos Zelada.

U.S. citizen Michael Devine was decapitated and his mutilated body was found in June near the Mexican border in the northern department of Peten.

According to the indictment, the four suspected soldiers were all on leave from an anti-insurgency school in Peten when Devine was killed.

U.S. Ambassador to Guatemala Thomas Stroock had been pressing the government of President Vinicio Cerezo to arrest those responsible and the daily New York Times reported that Washington was considering further cutbacks in military aid.

Cerezo, in a letter to Stroock last week, acknowledged Army involvement in Devine's slaying and promised to clear up the murder.

It was the first time the Army had been implicated by the president in a murder, although nearly 100,000 Guatemalans have been killed in the past 30 years as successive governments attempted to wipe out leftist insurgents.

Devine, who had lived in Guatemala for 18 years, arrived as a member of the Peace Corps and then stayed on to run a hotel and restaurant for tourists.

U.S. aid to Guatemala was expected to reach dlrs 120 million in 1990, dlrs 30 million less than last year, due to cutbacks that were prompted by concern over the country's appalling record on human rights.

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#90269e0040 09/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
NEW DELHI (SEPT. 26) EFE - Violent student demonstrations in which at least seven people have died continued Wednesday in northern India to protest the government's decision to reserve 27 per cent of public jobs for the Untouchables, the lowest caste among India's Hindu majority.

The capital was virtually paralyzed after the nationalist Hindu party Bhartiya Janata called a strike because of police +excesses+ in trying to suppress student protests the day before.

Six of the victims have been killed by police gunfire, one of them dying

Wednesday morning in New Delhi after security forces opened fire on demonstrators Tuesday.

One youngster died in New Delhi Tuesday after setting himself on fire.

The protests began a week ago against Prime Minister V.P. Singh's decision to give more openings to the Untouchables as had been recommended by a commission 10 years before.

The students see the move as usurping the traditional privileges enjoyed by the upper castes in education and work opportunities.

An indefinite curfew was imposed Wednesday in the city of Modingar in the state of Uttar Pradesh where four people have died from police bullets in an attempt to control 25,000 demonstrators who burned buses and stoned a police station.

One person was shot dead by the Army in Jammu, and another in Khalanwali in Haryana state, with curfews being called in seven cities in the two states and neighboring Punjab.

Authorities have now banned further demonstrations in various parts of New Delhi for two weeks.

Shops closed in the city and bus services were suspended after a number of buses were torched or damaged. Once again roads were blocked and cars attacked.

In Ghaziabad in Uttar Pradesh demonstrators set a passenger train ablaze. They also torched two post offices in the city and another in nearby Mattura.

In an effort to halt the violence the Communist Party of India has called on Singh to convene an immediate meeting of all parties involved.

Former prime minister Rajiv Gandhi, now leader of the opposition, Tuesday called on Singh to resign.

The Anti-Mandal Commission Forum, set up to protest the report which recommended the Untouchables' job quotas, said it would not talk to the government until it stopped pushing through the proposals announced August 7.

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#90269e0043 09/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SANTO DOMINGO (SEPT. 26) EFE - Public transport was considerably reduced Wednesday in cities throughout the Dominican Republic as a 72-hour general strike began peacefully.

The strike is the second to be called by trade unions in less than two months

to protest the economic policies of President Joaquin Balaguer.

Only one minor incident was reported when several youths threw stones which broke windows of a bus and a police patrol car in the town of Haina, 15 km southwest of Santo Domingo.

Reports from the northern city of Santiago and the southern city of San Cristobal said the strike was only being partially heeded.

Joint Army, Navy and Air Force patrols were guarding access points to Santo Domingo while National Police officers were patrolling other parts of the capital.

Last month 13 people died and 60 policemen were injured in violence during a 48-hour nationwide stoppage protesting price hikes on basic foodstuffs which averaged 83 per cent.

This week's strike, organized by the Collective of Peoples' Organizations, is not supported by nine of the country's other unions.

On Tuesday the police and Army announced the discovery of a bomb factory and the seizure of 33 powerful bombs.

The Army accused strike organizers of plotting terrorist actions on supermarkets, military bases and banks.

Last Sunday three students were killed by home-made bombs at the offices of the National Union of Revolutionary Students.

Police said the students were also planning to plant explosives during the strike.

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#90269e0048 09/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

DUBLIN (SEPT 26) EFE - The Irish government Wednesday said Iraq had given permission for 12 Irish men and three women, all aged over 55, to leave Baghdad.

If they are allowed to leave, it will be the first group release of Western men since Baghdad said it would keep hostages to prevent a U.S. air attack in response to the Iraqi August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Irish Ambassador Antoin Mac Unfraidh was Tuesday informed of the offer by Iraqi authorities, and was told they would be issued with exit visas within days.

Iraqi officials said the 15 could leave if their employers agreed.

Thirteen of the 15 are thought to be employed either by Park Hospital, a subsidiary of the Irish airline Aer Lingus, or the M.F. Kent engineering firm, which has contracts in Iraq.

The remaining two were said to be relatives of some of the workers.

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#90269h0048 09/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 25) XINHUA - BULGARIA BECAME THE 153RD MEMBER OF THE WORLD BANK AS DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF BULGARIA BELCHO BELCHEV SIGNED THE INSTRUMENTS RELATED TO THE MATTER HERE TODAY.

ACCORDING TO AN ANNOUNCEMENT MADE BY THE WORLD BANK TODAY, BULGARIA'S INITIAL SUBSCRIPTION IN THE BANK'S CAPITAL STOCK WILL BE 292.7 MILLION SDR'S (SPECIAL DRAWING RIGHTS, ABOUT 405.91 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), WITH CORRESPONDING 2,927 VOTES.

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#90269h0079 09/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SAN JOSE (SEPT. 25) XINHUA - CENTRAL AMECAN COUNTRIES WILL NEGOTIATE THE CREATION OF A FREE TRADE ZONE WITH MEXICO STARTING NEXT MONTH, SAID COSTA RICAN ECONOMY MINISTER GONZALO FAJARDO.

EACH COUNTRY IN THE REGION WILL REACH A SEPARATE BILATERAL ACCORD WITH MEXICO AS PART OF AN OIL SUPPLY AGREEMENT SIGNED LAST WEEK BETWEEN CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES ON THE ONE HAND AND MEXICO AND VENEZUELA ON THE OTHER.

ACCORDING TO THE AGREEMENT, MEXICO WILL FINANCE 30 PERCENT OF THE CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES' PETROLEUM EXPENDITURE.

THE AGREEMENT STIPULATES THAT NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE STARTED TO REACH "LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS IN THE FIELDS OF DEBT, FINANCES, COMMERCE AND TECHNICAL AID" AND THAT TALKS TO BE HELD WITH MEXICO BY COSTA RICA AND OTHER CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES WILL TAKE LACE WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE AGREEMENT.

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#90269h0081 09/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) XINHUA - NAMIBIA JOINED TOAY THE WORLD BANK, THE GREATEST SOURCE OF AID TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, THE BANK ANNOUNCED TODAY.

IN ADDITION TO BEING A MEMBER OF THE INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT, NAMIBIA IS NOW ALSO A MEMBER OF THE WORLD BANK'S AFFILIATION: THE INTERNATIONAL FINANCE CORPORATION AND THE MULTILATERAL INVESTMENT GUARANTEE AGENCY.

THE WORLD BANK LOOKS FORWARD TO PLAYING A "POSTIVE AND PRODUCTIVE ROLE" IN NAMIBIA'S ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OVER THE COMING YEARS, THE BANK SAID.

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#90269h0126 09/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA (SEPT. 26) XINHUA - A MINOR BOY REPORTEDLY DROWNED IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF SIRAJGANJ AS A FRESH WAVE OF FLOOD INUNDATED A LARGE PORTION OF LOW-LYING AREAS OF THE DISTRICT DURING THE LAST ONE WEEK, REPORTS REACHING HERE SAID TODAY.

THE LATEST OUTBREAK OF FLOOD, THE FIFTH IN THE LAST FOUR MONTHS IN THE DISTRICT, HAS AFFECTED 18 UNIONS AS WATER INTRUDED FROM THE JAMUNA (BRAHMAPUTRA) WHICH SWELLED FOLLOWING RAINS IN THE UPPER CATCHMENT AREAS, OFFICIAL SOURCES SAID.

ABOUT 1,000 PEOPLE WERE FORCED TO ABANDON THEIR HOMES AND THE FLOOD AFFECTED AT LEAST 75 VILLAGES, DESTROYING TRANSPLANTED RICE CROPS ON ABOUT 5,000 ACRES OF LAND.

THE JAMUNA HAS ALSO CAUSED WIDESPREAD EROSION. THE RIVER WATER LEVEL NEAR SIRAJGANJ TOWN INCREASED BY NINE CENTIMETERS AND WAS FLOWING 27 CENTIMETERS BELOW DANGER LEVEL.

MEANWHILE, THE EROSION OF THE RIVER TEESTA HAS TAKEN A SERIOUS TURN IN TWO SUBDISTRICTS, NORTHWEST BANGLADESH, RENDERING ABOUT 500 FAMILIES HOMELESS AND ENGULFING 1,000 HOUSES.

BESIDES, A FIVE-MILE-LONG SECTION OF THE FLOOD CONTROL EMBANKMENT AND STANDING CROPS ON 500 ACRES OF LAND HAVE ALSO BEEN WASHED AWAY BY THE RIVER.

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#90269h0425 09/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (SEPT. 27) XINHUA - BRAZILIAN IMPORTS WILL INCREASE TO 21 BILLION DOLLARS THIS YEAR OWING TO THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY ELIMINATING TRADE BARRIERS, IT WAS INFORMED HERE TODAY.

ACCORDING TO DATA FROM THE COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE COORDINATING GROUP (CIC), THE TOTAL VALUE OF IMPORTS WILL GO UP FROM 18 BILLION DOLLARS IN 1989 TO 21 BILLIONS THIS YEAR, WHILE EXPORTS WILL DECLINE FROM 34 BILLIONS LAST YEAR TO 33 BILLION DOLLARS IN 1990.

CIC COORDINATOR MAURICIO SOUZA ASSOS SAID THAT CAPITAL GOODS TOTALLED 23 PERCENT OF IMPORTS WHILE CONSUMER GOODS REACHED 7 PERCENT OF IMPORTS.

THE DROP OF COFFEE PRICES ON THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET AND THE DECLINE OF SOYBEAN PRODUCTION HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO BRING EXPORT FIGURES DOWN, HE SAID.

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#90269h0459 09/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 27) XINHUA - SOME UNIVERSITIES IN BRITAIN ARE FACING SERIOUS FINANCIAL DIFICULTIES AND HAVE FAILED TO BRING THEIR INCOME AND EXPENDITURES INTO BALANCE, ACCORDING TO A PARLIAMENT REPORT PUBLISHED TODAY.

THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS SAID OF THE 50 UNIVERSITIES OUTSIDE LONDON, 24 HAD BEEN IN A DEFICIT SITUATION SINCE JULY 1989, AND A FURTHER 28 INSTITUTIONS FORECAST DEFICITS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR THAT ENDED THIS JULY.

MANY INSTITUTIONS WOULD BE WORSE OFF THAN THEIR 1990 FORECASTS SHOWED, WITH LONDON UNIVERSITY FACING PARTICULARLY SERIOUS DEBT PROBLEMS. ITS TOTAL DEFICIT IS BEING PROJECTED TO TOTAL 46 MILLION POUNDS (ABOUT 82 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) BY THE YEAR 1993, THE REPORT SAID.

IN SOME UNIVERSITIES, COURSES HAVE BEEN CLOSED AND DEPARTMENTS REORGANIZED IN ORDER TO SAVE MONEY, BUT THE GENERAL TREND HAS BEEN A GRADUAL WORSENING OF STAFFING LEVELS AS MORE LECTURERS TAKE EARLY RETIREMENT WHILE THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS IS RISING SHARPLY, THE REPORT NOTED.

THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER LECTURER IN BRITISH UNIVERSITIES INCREASED FROM 10.7 TO 11.4 IN 1988 TO 1989, AND THE RATIO IS CERTAIN TO HAVE RISEN DURING THIS LAST ACADEMIC YEAR, THE REPORT SAID.

THE COMMITTEE REPORT CALLED ON THE GOVERNMENT TO TAKE "VIGOROUS AND PROMPT" MEASURES TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM.

EDUCATION SECRETARY JOHN MACGREGOR TOLD UNIVERSITY CHIEFS TODAY TO KEEP THEIR FINANCES IN ORDER, AND ENSURE THAT THE MONEY THEY RECEIVE IS PROPERLY SPENT.

HE URGED THEM TO GET A MORE SOUND ACCOUNTING SYSTEM, ADDING: "SOME OF YOU MAY CHAFE AT THIS, BUT IT IS A FACT OF LIFE."

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#90269h0460 09/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SANTIAGO (SEPT. 27) XINHUA - THE COMPLEMENTARY ECONOMIC BILATERAL ACCORD SLATED TO BE SIGNED BY CHILEAN PRESIDENT PATRICIO AYLWIN ON OCTOBER 4 DURING AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO MEXICO AIMS TO SET UP A RECIPROCAL 10 PERCENT TARIFF PACT BETWEN MEXICO AND CHILE STARTING IN JANUARY 1991 UNTIL THE ELIMINATION OF TRADE BARRIERS BY THE END OF 1993.

THE STATEMENT WAS MADE HERE TUESDAY BY CHILEAN ECONOMY MINISTER CARLOS OMIRAMI AND BY MANUFACTURING PROMOTION SOCIETY (SOFOFA) PRESIDENT FERNANDO AGUERO AT THE END OF A MEETING BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS.

OMIRAMI SAID THAT DURING AYLWIN'S VISIT TO MEXICO, A COMMITMENT WOULD BE SIGNED TO NEGOTIATE WITHIN A PERIOD OF TIME OF UP TO FOUR MONTHS A COMPLEMENTARY ECONOMIC AGREEMENT, ACCORDING TO WHICH A FREE TRADE PACT BETWEEN MEXICO AND CHILE WOULD COME INTO FORCE WITHIN A PERIOD OF NO MORE THAN THREE YEARS, BY THE END OF 1993.

CHILE'S GLOBAL TRADE VOLUME WITH MEXICO CURRENTLY TOTALS 180 MILLION DOLLARS, AND ACCORDING TO FOXLEY, THE FIGURE COULD GO UP TO BETWEEN 500 AND 600 MILLIONS IN 1994 AFTER THE SIGNING OF THE ACCORD.

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#90269j0001 09/26/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

(SEPT. 27) JOURNAL GRAPHICS - Summarizing the previous day's television programs transcribed by Journal Graphics, Inc. Full transcripts available by fax or mail.

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Frontline Special September 25, 1990 (Transcript #102)

Killing for the Land: Episode two of the Decade of Destruction series follows some of Brazil's estimated two million landless poor, who have become a vast army of nomadic squatters, wandering from place to place in a futile search for land to claim and farm, leaving sprawling slums and wide swaths of forest destruction in their wake. Wealthy landowners attempt to drive the squatters off their vast, largely unused properties with professional gunmen and campaigns of assassination and terror.

Nightline (ABC) September 25, 1990 (Transcript #2437)

Two Messages From Baghdad: Excerpts from Saddam Hussein's speech to America and an interview with an American in hiding in Kuwait. Also, Crown Prince Hassan of Jordan reiterates support for U.N. sanctions and stresses the need for continued peacekeeping efforts.

Crossfire (CNN) September 25, 1990 (Transcript #147)

Saudi Arabia: The Kingdom in the Crossroads: Oil field Security Manager Prince Abdullah bin-Faisal and Arab journalist Hisham Melhem discuss the safety of Saudi oil fields and Saudi Arabia's goals and interests in the Gulf crisis.

Larry King Live (CNN) September 25, 1990 (Transcript #136)

''Dealing With the S&L Crisis'' (a debate between consumer advocate Ralph Nader and former Reagan Treasury official Norman Ture on possible methods of bailing out of the crisis); ''Advice From a Reformed Burglar'' (reformed jewel thief Walter Shaw talks about his former life and ways to prevent burglaries).

Moneyline (CNN) September 25, 1990 (Transcript #191)

The defense in the Michael Milken case is on the offensive. The prosecutors didn't even show up, but Milken's defense attorneys had their rebuttal to government charges in the hands of nearly every major news organization.
Inside Corporate America (FNN) September 25, 1990 (Transcript #64)

Waste Management, Inc.: CEO James Koenig and Senior Vice President Hal Gershowitz discuss their company's business activities, which range from the disposal, destruction or recycling of solid waste to the disposal of chemical and hazardous waste.

Adam Smith's Money World September 25, 1990 (Transcript #627)

Fear, Greed and the Madness of Crowds: The emotions that rule the marketplace -- fear, greed and madness. But what turns greed to madness? And what happens when fear becomes sheer panic?

Nova (WGBH) September 25, 1990 (Transcript #1709)

Will the Dragon Rise Again?: The Genius That Was China (Part 4): The last in this series on China's development traces the effect of Maoist ideology on China's ability to adopt and use Western technology.

Donahue September 25, 1990 (Transcript #3041)

Man Charged With Murder For Helping Wife Commit Suicide: Bob Harper shares his story of being jailed for helping his terminally ill wife kill herself. The panel and audience debate the legality of assisted suicides.

Oprah Winfrey Show September 25, 1990 (Transcript #1052)

Multiple Personality Disorder Crimes: A debate over the legitimacy of the rising number of claims of multiple personality disorder being successfully used as a legal defense for violent crimes. Dr. Martin T. Orne and Dr. David Spiegel join Juanita Maxwell, who used the plea successfully, and her attorney.

Geraldo September 25, 1990 (Transcript #789)

Bambi and the Black Widow: Investigators and family members discuss two murder

cases: the death of Christine Schultz, allegedly by Lawrencia Bembenek (Bambi) and the deaths of ''Black Widow'' Sandra Bridewell's husbands.

Good Morning America (ABC) September 25, 1990 (Transcript #1117)

Options in Iraq; signs of economic trouble; Steve Fox goes fly fishing; legal advice for sports fans; Cybi8ll Shepherd; mail from home; Joel reviews Miller's Crossing and State of Grace; glaucoma in young people; Craig T. Nelson; Energizer bunny goes Hollywood.

Sally Jessy Raphael September 25, 1990 (Transcript #537)

The Sally Girls Become ''New Women'': Staff members of the show get completely made over by some of New York's top hairdressers, makeup artists and clothing stylists.

Wednesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Women Turn the Tables on Male Cat-Callers Sally Jessy Raphael: I'm a Better Mother Than My Daughter Geraldo: Stuart Case (R) Oprah Winfrey: Workaholic Women on the Edge

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#90269k0030 09/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (SEPT. 26) KYODO - MATSUSHITA BATTERY INDUSTRIAL CO. SAID WEDNESDAY IT WILL BEGIN SHIPMENTS EARLY NEXT MONTH OF A RECHARGEABLE NICKEL-HYDROGEN BATTERY THAT HAS TWICE THE LIFESPAN OF NICKEL-CADMIUM BATTERIES.

OFFICIALS OF THE COMPANY, AN AFFILIATE OF THE MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL GROUP, SAID IT EXPECTS STRONG DEMAND FOR THE BATTERY FROM USERS OF PORTABLE TELEPHONES AND VIDEO CAMCORDERS, WHICH REQUIRE BATTERY PACKS COMPRISING FIVE OR 10 CELLS.

THE 16.5 MILLIMETER DIAMETER AND 42.5 MILLIMETER HIGH BATTERY DIFFERS FROM CONVENTIONAL NICKEL-CADMIUM BATTERIES IN WHICH THE POSITIVE ELECTRODE IS MADE OF NICKEL AND THE NEGATIVE ELECTRODE IS FORMED FROM CADMIUM.

THE NEW BATTERY CONSISTS OF A NICKEL-BASED POSITIVE ELECTRODE AND A HYDROGEN NEGATIVE ELECTRODE. HYDROGEN IS ABSORBED AND STORED IN A COMPOUND METAL, WHICH ACTS AS AN ELECTROLYTE, GIVING THE BATTERY ITS SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE BATTERY CAN BE RECHARGED WITHIN ONE HOUR AND WILL INITIALLY COST ABOUT TWICE THE PRICE OF NICKEL-CADMIUM BATTERIES, THEY SAID. THE COMPANY PLANS TO BEGIN MANUFACTURING 40,000 OF THE BATTERIES PER MONTH, THEY SAID.

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#90269k0056 09/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 26) KYODO - IDEMITSU PETROCHEMICAL CO., LTD., ONE OF THE MAJOR WHOLESALERS OF LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS, SAID ON WEDNESDAY IT WILL RAISE ITS PRICES ON PROPANE AND BUTANE GAS.

THE RISE, TO GO INTO EFFECT ON OCTOBER 1, WILL BE 11.50 YEN A KILOGRAM ON PROPANE GAS AND 11.40 YEN ON BUTANE.

THE OTHER WHOLESALERS OF LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS ARE EXPECTED TO ANNOUNCE HIKES ON WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY.

THIS IS THE SECOND CASE OF A HIKE IN OIL PRODUCTS, FOLLOWING THE RISE IN GASOLINE AND KEROSENE PRICES ON SEPTEMBER 17.

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#90269k0082 09/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO, SEPT. 26 KYODO - SUMITOMO FORESTRY CO. AND THE HOKKAIDO-BASED MITSUHASHI AND CO. HAVE SET UP A JOINT VENTURE WITH THE U.S. COASTAL LUMBER CO., OFFICIALS ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY.

THE NEW LUMBER FACTORY, CALLED COASTAL LUMBER PRODUCTS, BASED IN WEST VIRGINIA WILL PREPARE WHITE OAK AND RED OAK FOR EXPORT EXCLUSIVELY TO JAPAN.

CAPITALIZED AT 1 MILLION DOLLARS, THE NORTH CAROLINA-BASED LUMBER COMPANY HOLDS A 50 PERCENT SHARE AND THE TWO JAPANESE FIRMS 25 PERCENT EACH.

OAK IS IN STRONG DEMAND IN JAPAN FOR USE IN FURNITURE AND HOUSING, BUT IS BECOMING LESS AVAILABLE IN HOKKAIDO WHICH HAS BEEN THE COUNTRY'S MAJOR SUPPLIER.

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#90269k0089 09/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 26) KYODO - JAPAN AIRLINES CO., JAPAN'S LARGEST AIRLINE, IS CONSIDERING RAISING TICKET PRICES FOR INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS FROM TOKYO TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF SOARING JET FUEL PRICES, ITS PRESIDENT SAID WEDNESDAY.

"I WANT TO AVOID RAISING SUCH AIRFARES BY MAKING IN-HOUSE EFFORTS TO OFFSET THE INCREASED FUEL COST, BUT SUCH A HIKE IS UNDER CONSIDERATION," MATSUO TOSHIMITSU TOLD REPORTERS.

BUT TOSHIMITSU SAID HE WOULD WAIT TO SEE HOW WORLD OIL PRICES WILL BE SETTLED BEFORE DECIDING WHETHER TO RAISE THE COST OF INTERNATIONAL AIR TICKETS.

HE SAID, HOWEVER, THERE WAS NO POSSIBILITY OF DOMESTIC FLIGHT FARES BEING

RAISED.

THE INTERNATIONAL AIR TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION (IATA) AGREED LAST MONTH ON RAISING INTERNATIONAL AIRFARES, BUT PUT OFF FOR FURTHER STUDY A PLAN TO RAISE FARES ON FLIGHTS FROM TOKYO DUE TO OPPOSITION FROM JAL AND ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS CO.

ON OTHER ISSUES, TOSHIMITSU DISCLOSED THAT HIS COMPANY HAS BEEN TOLD BY THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY THAT JAL IS NOT REQUIRED TO PROVIDE CARGO CARRIERS FOR MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND OTHER NONMILITARY EQUIPMENT FOR THE MULTINATIONAL FORCE AGAINST IRAQ, DEPLOYED MAINLY IN SAUDI ARABIA.

YIELDING TO PRESSURE FROM THE UNITED STATES, THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS PLEDGED TO PROVIDE AIRPLANES AND SHIPS AS PART OF ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS TO END IRAQ'S OCCUPATION OF KUWAIT.

ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT SOURCES, JAPAN HAS NOT YET RECEIVED ANY ACTUAL REQUEST FROM THE UNITED STATES TO SEND AIRCRAFT, AND TOKYO HAS NO PLANS TO TRANSPORT NONMILITARY SUPPLIES ON ITS OWN.

THE JAL PRESIDENT SAID HE IS READY TO OFFER AIRCRAFT WHENEVER THE U.S. REQUESTS.

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#90269k0098 09/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 26) KYODO - ACE POLYMER, A MAJOR MARKETER OF SYNTHETIC RESIN, SAID WEDNESDAY IT WILL RAISE THE PRICE OF POLYETHYLENE AND POLYPROPYLENE BY 25 YEN PER KILOGRAM, ABOUT 10 PERCENT, FROM OCTOBER 21.

NEGOTIATIONS OVER THE PRICE HIKE ARE UNDER WAY BETWEEN ACE AND LEADING COMMERCIAL USERS OF THE SUBSTANCE, AN ACE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE RISE IS IN RESPONSE TO THE PLANNED 25 PERCENT INCREASE IN THE PRICE OF ETHYLENE FROM OCTOBER FOLLOWING THE AUGUST 2 IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT.

THREE OTHER MAJOR MARKETERS ARE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW SUIT, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

POLYETHYLENE AND POLYPROPYLENE ARE USED IN THE PRODUCTION OF FILM, BICYCLE PARTS, AND SYNTHETIC FIBER.

"WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO PASS ON THE ADDED COST TO CONSUMERS," SAID A LEADING MAKER OF SYNTHETIC FIBERS.

THE IMPACT OF A 10 PERCENT PRICE HIKE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE FELT BY THE VAST MAJORITY OF CONSUMERS SINCE IT WILL BOOST THE PRICE OF MANUFACTURED CHEMICAL GOODS, SUCH AS APPAREL MADE FROM SYNTHETIC FIBERS AND PLASTIC BAGS, THE SOURCES SAID.

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#90269k0102 09/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT.26) KYODO - MITSUBISHI WAREHOUSE AND TRANSPORTATION CO. SAID WEDNESDAY IT HAS NOTIFIED THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY OF ITS INTENTION TO RAISE BY 6.8 PERCENT THE STORAGE FEES ON ALL GOODS KEPT IN REGULAR WAREHOUSES.

MITSUI WAREHOUSE CO., YOKKAICHI WAREHOUSE CO., AND OTHER LEADING WAREHOUSE CONCERNS ARE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW SUIT, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

THE HIKE IN STORAGE FEES WILL BE THE FIRST IN OVER FOUR AND A HALF YEARS. THE LAST TIME THEY WERE INCREASED WAS IN APRIL 1986, WHEN THEY JUMPED 9.4 PERCENT.

MITSUBISHI OFFICIALS ATTRIBUTED THE PLANNED INCREASE TO THE HIGHER COST OF LAND AND LABOR.

THEY WERE QUICK TO ADD, HOWEVER, THAT THE PRICE HIKE HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH SPIRALING CRUDE OIL PRICES.

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#90269m0001 09/26/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys
FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 26) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that durable goods orders for August slipped 0.8%. Economist were expecting a drop of 1.2% following the 2.9% rise in July durable goods orders.

The Nikkei nosedives 1109 points, breaking through 23,000 to close at 22,251, a loss of nearly 5%. ... U.K. stocks are up 15 points at midday, but U.S. shares in London are trading lower. ... The dollar is mixed. ... The long bond is yielding 9.10%. ... North Sea crude falls $1.67 to $35.85. ... Existing home sales rose 2.1% in August according to the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS. ... The big three U.S. automakers report a 11.3% decline in car and truck sales for mid-September. ... A bill that would allow the SEC to curb program trading was approved by the SENATE yesterday. ... MARRIOTT CORP. has declared a moratorium on all new construction projects, and will cut capital spending in half. ... AMERICAN WEST AIRLINES says it is talking to PAN AM about buying the Pan Am shuttle. ... KOBE STEEL and ALCOA announce that they will form a joint venture in Japan to produce aluminum for cans and autos in Asian markets. ... CITICORP plans to lay off 100 workers in its leveraged lending unit in the next two weeks.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT is scheduled to release personal income data for August at 10 a.m. EDT. ... The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BUSINESS ECONOMISTS meets today. DEFENSE SECRETARY CHENEY is scheduled to speak. ... U.S. TREASURY SECRETARY BRADY is scheduled to speak before the IMF/World Bank as their annual meeting continues.

FROM THE BULLS:

"We might very well have seen the closing low on Monday," says ANDREW ADDISON of "The Addison Report." Addison sees a number of positive divergences between Monday's close and the August lows. "I would expect the rally phase has begun now, will carry it perhaps a couple of days, then a little bit of a selloff, then a further rally." Addison sees the market moving up to the mid-2600s with downside risk limited to 2400. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/26)

FROM THE BEARS:

"We're bound to have a rally," says GREG SMITH, chief investment officer for PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC., "simply because we've gone down so much. But I don't think it'll last very long or go very far." He says the rise might not last "more than a week or so or more than 50 or 100 points." Mr. Smith believes that the unresolved Federal budget deficit and "more bad news on inflation" will keep the market down. (NYT, 9/26)

STOCK MARKET:

"The sharp jump in MCA was extremely significant and gave the stock market a big shot in the arm," says EUGENE PERONI of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT. "It's encouraging in that it could be showing that stocks are moving to unrealistically low levels." However, he describes his own outlook as "guarded" because he says the market has not yet "turned the corner." Peroni says the "bear-market rally" will not "right itself until ... late October or early November." ("Investor's Daily", 9/26)

"We are nowhere near as bearish as we were in mid-July," says DAN SULLIVAN at "The Chartist" who is beginning to look at buy candidates. Sullivan still thinks a global bear market is underway and recommends keeping equity exposure to the very minimum. But the fact that just about everybody is stressing the negatives makes him think the turn could be just around the corner. "We can expect the rally to be quite strong, once it takes hold." (CNBC "World Business", 9/26)

"This is a market with absolutely no conviction," says EDWARD SHOPKORN, general partner at MABON, NUGENT & CO. "The economic numbers say we are going into a recession. Equities are overvalued relative to the economic outlook

around the world." (WSJ, 9/26)

"I think the Dow is in a trading range between 2450 to 2750 and so, I think, we're probably on our way up somewhat further, but that's conditional on war fears," says ARNOLD MOSCOWITZ of COUNTY NATWEST. "I could see us drifting down to 2300 or 2350, but I doubt you could get much below that." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/25)

"The market got itself into a slightly oversold condition, and some of the selling seems to be exhausted," says KENNETH DUCEY, senior vice president in the trading department of S.G. WARBURG & COMPANY. He adds, "People are starting to live with the Middle East crisis. But if the market goes up any further, it'll run into resistance and the selling will start again." (NYT, 9/26)

"What could be worse for the stock market than a worse downturn and the hit on revenues from that, higher inflation ... and higher long- term rates?" asks the BOSTON CO.'s ALLEN SINAI. "It's a triple dose of poison." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/25)

"This is a market that moves on event risk," says TIM SCALA of SEQUOR GROUP. "People are waiting for statements to make a play. Everybody's playing it very close to the vest." He looks for increased volatility, and predicts there will be a major disappointment from Washington this week. "It's even possible that they will suspend the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings Amendment," says Scala. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/25)

"The market has inadvertently or unconsciously focused on the oil market," says SMITH BARNEY market strategist JOHN MANLEY. He says factors such as the budget deficit crisis and the fluctuations of the dollar may have had some effect on equities, "the correlation to oil prices is the best that we find." (CNN "Moneyline", 9/25)

"It's a two-tier market, and with volume so light I have the feeling we're going to ease off again," says MICHAEL BRITT at KIDDER, PEABODY. "The market's been program driven this afternoon [Tuesday] and day traders hop on the rallies as they get started. But so far there have been few longer-term takers - institutions are very quiet." ("The Washington Post", 9/26)

"Any time you lose nearly 60 points in one day, you have to expect some sort of rebound, but lower oil prices helped," says RICHARD MAKIN of KIDDER, PEABODY. ("USA Today", 9/26)

"I think your move today [Tuesday] is basically simply one of those things where the market has gone down very significantly and, as it very often does, it just pauses a moment and goes back up," says MONTE GORDON of DREYFUS CORP. "This is not the beginning of a sustained rally by a long shot." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/25)

"A main factor for the lift [yesterday] was the bid for MCA," says ALFRED GOLDMAN of A.G. EDWARDS. "In a market that had been down nearly 550 points before this morning, that kindled some hope that U.S. stocks are cheap. But the buying was focused on a few blue chips that had been slam-dunked recently." ("USA Today", 9/26)

World stock markets have lately become "exaggeratedly panicky," says GILBERT de BOTTON, chief executive at GLOBAL ASSET MANAGEMENT. "Certainly the behavior in Tokyo today has confirmed we are nearing the final blowout phase," says de Botton who thinks the bottom is near and is beginning to invest in the German and Japanese markets. Avoid markets in emerging countries, advises de Botton. (CNN "Business Morning", 9/26)

STOCK TIPS:

Japanese giant MATSHUSHITA ELECTRIC announced today that it was interested in purchasing MCA, causing the stock to skyrocket nearly 20 points. But some analysts say the buyout is far from a done deal. "I think the two critical issues are ... access to financing" and "will other participants come in and do some kind of Japanese bashing," says CHRISTOPHER DIXON, an entertainment analyst at KIDDER, PEABODY. (CNN "Moneyline", 9/25)

DONALD KRUEGER of SANYO SECURITIES AMERICA says he is "baffled" by MATSUSHITA's $6-7 billion buyout bid for MCA. "Matsushita is not the kind of company to go out and buy a flashy production company. It's very surprising for them to move into a totally different business in a big way." While some analysts have questioned whether MCA will accept the buyout offer, MARK MANSON of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE points out that MCA chairman LEW WASSERMAN, who controls 15% of the company's shares, is 77 and may be ready to hang up his briefcase. "There's a high probability, if the bid is real, that it will be accepted," asserts Manson. ("Investor's Daily", 9/26)

THE OHIO CO. recommends stock in BINDLEY WESTERN INDUSTRIES INC., a major drug wholesaler that specializes in prescription drugs. The brokerage says company earnings should grow 84% for fiscal 1990 because of a recent contract for it to be the primary supplier to the Kroger supermarket chain. The company is also being effective in its cost-cutting efforts. ("USA Today", 9/26)

"I call FORD and GM attractive entirely on the basis of yield," the ratio of the dividend to the stock's market price, says RONALD GLANTZ, auto analyst at MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. General Motors stock is yielding 8.2% and Ford Motor 9.1%. (WSJ, 9/26)

LISE BUYER of NEEDHAM & CO. lowered her earnings estimate for BIZMART INC. from $.42 a share to $.30 a share after the company announced that profits would be lower due to increased competition. Buyer says the company has "a huge credibility problem." When Bizmart announced slow sales just days after

a stock offering, "they angered a lot of investors," according to Buyer. ("Investor's Daily", 9/26)

MOTOROLA and DISNEY "are very fine stocks that have been beaten down in this crush," says ARNOLD MOSCOWITZ of COUNTY NATWEST. He also likes industrial exports, pharmaceuticals, technology, energy and utilities. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/25)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 26) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"Short-term, with the higher interest rates, we're seeing that does give some support to the dollar," says KAREN GIBBS of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "Longer-term, I think the path of least resistance still remains to the downside." She says the Swiss franc, sterling and the Canadian dollar are seeing the most buying. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/25)

The dollar was strengthened yesterday by technical factors linked to cross trading between the yen and mark, according to DAVID MARSHALL of MMS INTERNATIONAL. Interest was also sparked by Wall Street's rebound and the steadying of oil and gold prices. ("Investor's Daily", 9/26)

"If you talk to people who are real business people and not economists sitting in a library or the Federal Reserve, you hear of real weakness," says Fed. Governor MARTHA SEGER. "And if you talk to people in construction and housing it is really terrible." Ms. Seger favors lowering interest rates, but she is a minority in this opinion among the Federal Reserve's policy makers. (NYT, 9/26)

"I think the budget deal could be the key determining factor," says RICHARD RIPPE, vice president of THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BUSINESS ECONOMISTS. "It could tip the Fed into an easing mode, and it's probably not likely that the Fed will do that in the short run, unless there is a significant budget deal." ("Nightly Business Report", 9/25)

"At confused times like this, people don't like to take chances, and buying a two-year Treasury note doesn't entail any credit risk and very little price volatility," says BRUCE WHITEFORD, a vice president at CHASE MANHATTAN's U.S. private banking division. "This is a good way to get a high yield without trying to guess where the market is going." (WSJ, 9/26)

Buying short-term notes "makes a lot of sense, given all the uncertainty in

the Gulf and the eventual implications for inflation because of what's happening to oil prices," says EDWARD TREICHEL, investment strategist at VAN KAMPEN MERRITT INVESTMENT ADVISORY CORP. ((WSJ, 9/26)

"People are worried about all finance company paper, not just the banks," says one corporate bond trader. "This is like the Salem witch hunt. People are looking for something to worry about, and I think it will continue." (NYT, 9/26)

THE ECONOMY:

"The Federal Reserve, in particular, is admitting, in effect, that under the current strategy, it cannot avoid a contraction in the economy over the next one or two quarters," says DAVID HALE, chief economist at KEMPER FINANCIAL SERVICES. "Most of us consider that to be a recession." (NYT, 9/26)

"The economy was headed toward a recession before Iraq, and Iraq was just the nail in the coffin," says ALLEN SINAI, chief economist for the BOSTON COMPANY. (NYT, 9/26)

"We entered a recession [in the] fourth quarter of last year, although it hasn't been firmly reported as such yet, " says WALTER WILLIAMS of AMERICAN BUSINESS ECONOMETRICS. "You'll see negative growth in the third and fourth quarter of this year. People will be using the 'R' word before the end of the year," predicts Williams. ("Nightly Business Report", 9/25)

"There's nothing inevitable about a recession," says CONFERENCE BOARD economist GAIL FOSLER. She says the level of production is well below both sales and orders, which leads her to conclude that manufacturers are "banking growth for the future." Fosler admits that her more optimistic view of the economy is not widely accepted, saying, "I'm the economist that came in from the cold." But LEWIS LEHRMAN of LEHRMAN BELL MUELLER CANNON shares Fosler's view of the economy, predicting 2% growth in the fourth quarter. "The economy will be stronger than expectations," says Lehrman. ("Investor's Daily", 9/26)

"The GNP number told me that the worst still lies ahead as far as the economy is concerned. In looking at the data, it is extremely difficult to find any sources of growth," says WARD McCARTHY, managing director at STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. NEAL SOSS, chief economist at the FIRST BOSTON CORPORATION, adds, "We have had a year of growth that was not really growth, with profitability under strain. Now we face what will be a long but rather shallow recession." (NYT, 9/26)

While the final revision of the second quarter GNP figures may be quite different from what was expected, DAVID BLITZER, chief economist at STANDARD & POOR'S, says, "the general [economic] picture is not that much different." He says the main effect of the revision was to confirm "that the economy was very soft before the oil crisis began." ("Investor's Daily", 9/26)

BERNARD MARKSTEIN at MERIDIAN BANCORP says yesterday's GNP downward revision "shows we're either in a recession or near one." MICHAEL PENZER at BANKAMERICA CORP. says the figure supports his forecast of an even worse third quarter. "I'm saying there will be 0% growth this quarter," says Penzer. ("USA Today", 9/26)

Commenting on the GNP revision STUART HOFFMAN, chief economist at PITTSBURGH NATIONAL BANK, says, "I think this tells you we're a lot closer to stagnation than we thought." (NYT, 9/26)

"It now appears that the second quarter was weaker than we originally thought and the momentum for the third quarter is much less," says RAY STONE of STONE & McCARTHY. Stone says that the problem "is not that there is dramatic momentum on the downside," but he says there may be negative growth in the fourth quarter because "no sector can be pointed to that will lend strength to the economy." ("Investor's Daily", 9/26)

"Many of us have felt for some time that, at least, a mild recession was underway," says ROBERT HORTON, CEO of BP AMERICA. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/25)

"We believe that the economy is now on a weaker growth path than we did in the summer," says MICHAEL BOSKIN, chairman of the COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISORS. "Partly, but not exclusively because of the oil shock." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/25)

"Consumer spending is weak, especially on housing, but not so much on cars," says KEN GOLDSTEIN, chief economist for the CONFERENCE BOARD. "What we know about what has already happened in the third quarter - in terms of spending on cars in July, August and for at least a good portion of September - says not that consumers have been so shocked by events in Iraq, [but] that they have just simply kept their hands in their pockets. They are at least spending some money." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/25)

"Even skittish consumers are finding the model year closeout bargains too good to pass up," says TOM WEBB, an economist with the NATIONAL AUTOMOBILE DEALERS ASSOCIATION. "The next test will be harder, though. Will sales survive falling real income levels? I doubt it." (NYT, 9/26) "As long as we have the Persian Gulf crisis and anticipation of recessions across the globe, I think you're going to see gold being a safe haven," says KAREN GIBBS of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. She says gold could go to "at least $450 ... no doubt about it." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/25)

IN WASHINGTON:

As the budget talks have stalled, the debate has shifted from how to solve the deficit crisis to how to stave off sequestration. Democrats voted on Tuesday in favor of moving back the Oct. 1 deadline. "It's necessary that we have

this 20 day extension [of the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings deadline] to keep the country going," says REP. JAMIE WHITTEN (D. - Mass.), but Republicans are reluctant to give up the threat of across the board cuts. "If we don't do it, there's going to be a stock market crash and there'll be a depression in this country like we have never seen before," says REP. SILVIO CONTE (R. - Mass.). (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/25)

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PALO ALTO, CALIF. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - More U.S. businesses are starting up their own coprporate subsidiaries in Japan in order to increase their control over the marketing and sales of their products rather than work through joint ventures or a product presence such as a distributor, sales representative or licensee. Even companies whose first entry into Japan was a joint venture are considering establishing their own subsidiary in order to increase their business success.

The Silicon Valley law firm of Fenwick, Davis & West has prepared a guide to the basic legal considerations involved in setting up operations in Japan. This practical guide covers changes to the Japanese company law that will go into effect in April 1991. The report addresses whether a branch office or subsidiary should be used in setting up business in Japan, how to protect a corporate name, minimum capitalization requirements, management of day-to-day operations and how to document the parent-subisidary corporation relationship.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Univar Corp. (NYSE, PSE: UVX), North America's largest chemical distributor, today announced a slight increase in sales and earnings for its second quarter ended Aug. 31. Net earnings for the quarter were $5,732,000, or 32 cents per share, on sales of $362,102,000, compared to earnings of $5,655,000, or 32 cents per share, on sales of $353,931,000 for the same period a year ago.

For the six months ended Aug. 31, net earnings rose to $11,478,000, or 64 cents per share, on sales of $724,163,000. For the same period a year ago, net earnings were $10,370,000, or 58 cents per share, on sales of $713,549,000.

All per share data reflect the effects of a two-for-one stock split paid Nov. 4, 1989, as a 100 percent stock dividend to shareholders of record Oct. 16, 1989.

James W. Bernard, president and chief executive officer, noted that the company's increased earnings were achieved in spite of increased costs

incurred as a result of the initial rollout of a new computer system and ongoing expenses related to safety, environmental stewardship, and quality programs. These increased cost loads were offset by increased gross margin contributions and lower interest rates during the periods.

Univar Corp., headquartered in Seattle, distributes chemicals to industry through two subsidiaries, Van Waters & Rogers Inc. in the United States, and Van Waters & Rogers Ltd. in Canada.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Kaufman and Broad Home Corp. (NYSE: KBH) a major home builder and commercial real estate developer, today reported earnings of $8.3 million for its third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 as continued robust growth in the company's French operations helped to offset the impact of a weak California real estate market.

Revenues increased to $325.3 million, up 12 percent from $290.7 million in the prior year's period. Net income of $8.3 million was down 58 percent from $19.5 million in the third quarter of 1989 -- the company's most profitable third quarter in its history. Included in the 1989 third quarter results is a pretax gain of 5.7 million from the sale of land. Primary earnings per share were $.26 compared to $.57 a year ago.

For the first nine months of 1990, Kaufman and Broad's revenues increased to $991.1 million, up 35 percent from 736.6 million in the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the period totaled $36.8 million, 28 percent below the company's nine-month earnings record of $51.1 million established in 1989, but well above the $30.9 million earned in the same period of 1988. Primary earnings per share were $1.13 compared to $1.55 a year ago.

Bruce Karatz, president and chief executive officer of Kaufman and Broad, said the company's financial results for the third quarter and throughout the year reflected increasing revenue and profit contributions from its French commercial and residential businesses, which have helped to offset lower profit margins and sales volume in its California housing operations.

The company's commercial development activities, all located in France, added more than $83 million to third quarter revenues, compared to 39 million in the prior year's quarter, while French housing deliveries continued to outpace 1989's record level of 1,720 units.

Kaufman and Broads's single-family home building divisions, located throughout California, in metropolitan Paris and Toronto, Canada, delivered 1,224 units

in the third quarter of 1990, compared to 1,318 in the third quarter of 1989. During the first nine months of 1990, the company delivered 3,499 units versus 3,632 in 1989. California's softer 1990 housing market accounted for the dip in new homes delivered; French unit deliveries have grown 12 percent through the first nine months of 1990.

Los Angeles-based Kaufman and Broad Home Corp. is the largest producer of single-family housing in California and the largest builder in metropolitan Paris, where the company develops commercial office properties and a variety of residential investment properties in addition to single-family homes.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Over 300 Hyatt hotel workers will be joined by community supporters, labor leaders, and Los Angeles City Councilpersons today to protest what they call the hypocrisy of the Hyatt Corporation's second annual "In Touch Day," when corporate executives and hotel managers will dress up as bartenders, cooks, housekeepers, and other hotel line employees in every Hyatt hotel in the United States to get "in touch" with their workers and customers.

Represented by Local 11 of the Hotel Employees & Restaurant Employees Union, workers from the Hyatt Regency Los Angeles, Hyatt on Sunset, and Hyatt Wilshire hotels will hold a press conference today at 10:30 a.m. in front of the Hyatt Regency Los Angeles, to be followed by demonstrations later this afternoon in front of all three Hyatt hotels.

The union today announced it has released a report entitled "The REAL Hyatt Touch" -- a copy of which can be obtained from the union -- in which workers and community leaders in California, New Mexico, Maryland, Michigan, Ohio and elsewhere speak out about their encounters with the Hyatt Corporation, including, according to the report:

-- racism in hiring and promotions practices; -- sexual harassment of employees by guests and managers; -- failure to live up to commitments to hire poor and minority residents in cities where Hyatt hotels have been constructed with public subsidies.

Their stories are especially egregious, the union maintains, in light of the sizable public funds that have subsidized the construction of several Hyatt hotels nationwide.

"In Touch Day" was initiated last year by Hyatt President Darryl Hartley-Leonard, who dressed up as a bellman at the Hyatt Regency Chicago last year and generated considerable press attention.

Controlled by Chicago's billionaire Pritzker family, the Hyatt Hotels Corporation and Hyatt International owns or operates 155 hotels and resorts in the United States and in 27 countries around the world. The Pritzker family also has an interest in Spectacor Management Group, which operates over 15 sports and entertainment facilities nationwide. Among the Pritzkers' other holdings are: the Marmon Group, a multinational industrial and services conglomerate with 60 separate companies; Ticketmaster, the largest computerized ticket vendor in the United States; Ticor Title Insurance; and Getz Bros. & Co., a worldwide trading company.

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TORRANCE, CA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) today announced that it began beta testing of the dBASE IV Server Edition, its front-end database product for the client/server marketplace.

"We're pleased with the progress we're making with the product; this announcement is another positive step forward in our overall product strategy " said Dave Proctor, Ashton-Tate vice president and general manager for the database division. "Building on the stable dBASE version 1.1 baseline, the additional functionality of the Server Edition will be tested thoroughly in the beta program by high- level users interested in developing client/server applications."

The company also said that it will implement a phased strategy of incremental releases for the Server Edition product.

Designed for Intel 80286-, 80386- and 80486-based systems, the Server Edition will permit multiple personal computer users to access and manipulate data across client/server-based local area networks (LANs) through the dBASE environment.

In addition, dBASE IV Server Edition provides an extended memory solution for users. The Server Edition executes the majority of dBASE code from extended or virtual memory. This leaves more space available for large applications for users working in memory- intensive environments, such as those using terminal emulation, large terminate and stay resident (TSR) applications and large LANs.

The initial Server Edition software, currently in beta testing, features the full dBASE IV system with the ability to run locally as well as in a LAN file server environment. In addition, the software provides the capability to develop and run integrated dBASE/Structured Query Language (SQL) applications, utilizing SQL to access remote database servers in a true client/server

architecture. Developers will be able to take advantage of the dBASE/SQL language, as well as use a pass-through mechanism to access native server functionality such as stored procedures and triggers for improved performance and data integrity.

Headquartered in Torrance, Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software. Major product categories include database management systems, word processing, integrated decision support, spreadsheets, graphics and utilities. Ashton-Tate is a worldwide organization with products available in 20 languages and in more than 50 countries.

The company also offers a comprehensive line of training and support services for individuals, corporations and government agencies.

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WEST CHESTER, PA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Commodore International Limited's (NYSE: CBU) subsidiary in the United Kingdom has introduced the C64 Games System, a C64-based games console for Western European markets.

The C64GS comes with a joystick and a port for cartridge-based software. Cartridges will include four games, a feature designed to give the C64GS a competitive advantage against other game-only computers. The product will be sold in several Western European countries, including the United Kingdom, which has become a new center for C64 software developers.

Commodore International Limited, through its operating subsidiaries around the world, manufactures and markets personal computers for the professional, home/office and consumer markets. The company has three product lines: Amiga multimedia computers , PC compatible computers, and the classic C64 computers.

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READING, PA. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Samuel A. McCullough, chairman and chief executive officer of Meridian Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: MRDN), today announced "a comprehensive plan to strengthen Meridian's reserves, improve capital, decrease reliance on external credit sources, and position the company to focus and expand upon core banking businesses."

The plan includes: -- a $75 million increase in the reserve for possible loan losses; -- the sale of its title insurance operations; -- the sale of its approximately $300 million credit card portfolio, and -- the securitization of about $300 million of its portfolio of indirect automobile loan receivables.

Meridian said it expects to report a net loss in the range of approximately $35 million to $39 million or about $.86 to $.96 per fully diluted share, for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, primarily due to the special increase in reserves for possible loan losses and to a significant charge relating to the planned disposition of title insurance operations. Meridian said it expects net earnings in the range of about $3.4 million to $7.4 million or about $.08 to $.18 per fully diluted share for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990.

For the third quarter of 1989, net income was $22.5 million and earnings per fully diluted share were $.56. For the first nine months of 1989, Meridian reported net income of $68.4 million. or $1.70 per fully diluted share.

Consolidated financial statements for the third quarter, reporting net income (loss) from both continuing and discontinued operations, should be available for release by the week of Oct. 15, 1990.

Meridian also indicated that it expects to maintain its dividend at present levels.

During the third quarter, Meridian undertook a re-evaluation of its loan portfolios in response to the continued weakening of the economy in general and the real estate sector in particular, as well as the changing banking climate. As a result, the expected third quarter loss includes a special $75 million pre-tax provision for possible loan losses which is in addition to the planned $9.5 million quarterly provision. This special provision is the result of a continued weakening of a number of significant credits in the commercial and real estate loan portfolios, which in part resulted in an increase of $26 million in non-performing assets and an increase in potential problem loans since June 30. Meridian emphasized that the increase in the reserve is not due to recent examinations by its state and federal regulators as of Dec. 31, 1989, concluded during the second quarter.

In disclosing its expected third quarter, 1990 results, Meridian stated: -- Non-performing assets are expected to increase from $107.6 million at June 30, 1990, to approximately $135 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

-- The reserve for possible loan losses will be strengthened from $98.7 million at June 30 to approximately $165 million at Sept. 30, 1990. This is about 2 percent of loans outstanding, up from 1.18 percent at June 30 and is expected to amount to a coverage ratio at Sept. 30, 1990, of about 122 percent to total non-performing loans. Management said it believes that these ratios should rank Meridian in the top 25 percent-50 percent of peer banks at Sept.

30, 1990.

Meridian also indicated that it had engaged Goldman, Sachs & Co. to sell its title operations as soon as practicable. The title units incurred net losses of $11.1 million and $7.3 million for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, and the six months ended June 30, 1990, respectively. Meridian indicated that in order to provide for the anticipated losses related to the sale, an estimated $15 million to $17.5 million, including anticipated operating losses for the third quarter, will be charged against earnings for the third quarter and reflected as "loss from discontinued operations." This anticipated loss will be re-evaluated on a quarterly basis and may be increased or decreased based on operating results and management perception of gain or loss on sale and the time necessary to effect a sale.

McCullough said, "Although recent sales of title companies at premiums demonstrate the industry's favorable long-term prospects, we decided to sell our title operations in order to focus our capital and managerial resources on our core banking businesses. We took this action after the completion of an intensive 90-day study by a new management team at the title insurance companies. We expect that the sale of the title business should have a positive impact on future continuing operations."

Meridian also reported that the company had decided to sell its $300 million portfolio of credit card receivables. Premiums paid on recent sales of other credit card portfolios have ranged from 20 percent to 25 percent. Meridian said it expects to effect this sale during the fourth quarter of 1990 or the first quarter of 1991. With increased costs attributable to high overhead, potential legislative restraints and the need for increased investment in technology, McCullough stated, "Our choices were to significantly increase the size of the portfolio through acquisition or sell and deploy our assets to more profitable opportunities elsewhere." After the sale Meridian said it expects to continue to make available a full range of VISA and MasterCard credit cards to its customers as an agent for the purchaser, and will take steps to assure a continued high level of customer satisfaction.

In addition, Meridian said it expects to securitize at least $300 million of indirect automobile loan receivables during the fourth quarter of 1990 or first quarter of 1991. This will improve regulatory capital ratios, will reduce reliance on external funding and should not result in the recognition of any material gain or loss.

"We believe this comprehensive plan positions Meridian well for the future," McCullough said. "Our capital position is strong and exceeds the more stringent 1992 regulatory guidelines, and our reserves for possible loan losses has been significantly improved. We expect to return to normal levels of profitability in the fourth quarter, to be profitable for all of 1990, and to continue the payment of dividends at current levels," he said.

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DEDHAM, MA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bird Corporation (NASDAQ: BIRD) have declared its regular dividend of $1.25 per share on Bird's 5 percent Cumulative preferred stock, payable Dec. 1, 1990 to the holders of record at the close of business on Nov. 1, 1990.

The regular dividend of $.4625 per share was also declared on Bird's $1.85 Preference stock, payable Nov. 15, 1990 to the holders of record at the close of business on Oct. 26, 1990.

Finally, in recognition of the company's strong earnings trend, a dividend of 20 cents per share for 1990 was also declared on Bird's Common stock payable on Oct. 15, 1990 to holders of record at the close of business on Oct. 8, 1990.

Bird Corporation is a U.S.-based manufacturer and distributor of building materials products and a provider of environmental services.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Duke Enterprises, Ltd., of Vancouver, B.C., Canada, in response to complaints from United States shareholders concern over the price of its shares said today that a sudden price drop is attributable to alleged illegal short selling on the Vancouver Exchange.

Company officials attributed the alleged illegal short sales as the major factor in a 50 percent drop in the company's stock price.

Guilford Brett, president of the family-run Duke Enterprises company, indicated that the size of the short position may be in excess of 500,000 shares. Duke Enterprises has 4.5 million shares outstanding and is tightly held.

"This flies in the face of major company developments," Brett said, in informing United States shareholders that the alleged illegal trading is an attempt to impede financing and an acquisition the company is in the process of concluding.

Brett and other company representatives of Duke Enterprises are in New York launching a major nationwide advertising and marketing campaign for its new interactive real-life consumer product called "Winning At Wall Street -- The

Game."

Brett said the recent attempts to precipitate a sharp drop in the company's traded shares on the Vancouver Exchange, which also trade on the Pink Sheets in the United States, is entirely attributable to this alleged illegal short selling.

He stressed that company attorneys have been instructed to conduct a full investigation and litigate any criminal activity to the fullest.

"We will not tolerate such activities designed to undermine Duke Enterprises and its shareholders, and we will pursue this vigorously," he said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitsubishi International Corp., a subsidiary of Japan-based Mitsubishi Corp. and the Orlando, Florida-based firm of Steve Baker & Associates announced today that they have reached a broad agreement to cooperate in developing theme-park related business in the United States, Japan, and elsewhere.

As part of the agreement, Mitsubishi International invested in Steve Baker & Associates and has acquired a 25 percent equity interest in the firm. Financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Steve Baker & Associates is a sponsorship and management firm which specializes in theme parks and the leisure industry. With a combined total of over 40 years experience with the Walt Disney Company in a diverse array of executive positions, the principals of the company have an unmatched level of expertise. The group raises sponsorship revenue for entertainment and leisure projects and offers consulting, project development and management services in these industries as well.

Mitsubishi International, a "general trading company," with 20 offices located throughout the United States, ranks among the 10 largest exporters of American goods to the world marketplace. Handling more than 25,000 items from raw materials to highly sophisticated advanced electronics, the company registers some $14 billion in trade transactions annually. With its parent company, Mitsubishi International also is increasing its direct investment in the United States.

Theme parks, resorts, and leisure-related facilities have been targeted by many companies as a growth area in coming years, not only in the United States but increasingly so in Japan and Europe.

In Japan, several major theme parks exist or are currently under construction. Existing major theme parks include Tokyo Disneyland, Nagasaki Holland Village and Space World. Other are either under construction or being planned and it appears that a theme park "boom" is under way.

In Europe, Disney is planning a major theme park project, Euro Disneyland, located outside of Paris, which is scheduled to open in 1992.

The combination of a major Japanese corporation and a specialized professional group in the United States is indeed a unique and complementary pairing. It reflects the willingness of a Japanese corporation to team up with strong professional expertise in an industry to which it is quite new. The U.S. theme park market, with its diversity of parks, offers a good opportunity to develop that expertise.

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ROCHESTER, NY (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Genencor International, one of the world's leading industrial biotechnology companies, today named W. Thomas Mitchell executive vice president, operations.

The announcement was made by Robert E. Leach, who recently was named president and chief executive officer of the company.

In his new position, Mitchell will be responsible for sales, marketing, manufacturing, materials, management and manufacturing development. He previously served as vice president and general manager of biochemicals and manufacturing at the firm.

"Our vision at Genencor International is to deliver innovation through biotechnology," Mitchell said. "Our company's multinational capabilities in marketing, distribution, and manufacturing provide essential elements for the fulfillment of that vision."

Earlier in his career, Mitchell held various engineering and management positions at Eastman Kodak Company. He was serving as general manager of the biochemicals business at Kodak's former Bio- Products Division in 1989 when the division entered the joint venture that eventually became Genencor International.

Since its inception, Genencor International has focused its efforts on a broad spectrum of industrial enzymes and specialty chemicals . Its Spezyme (TM),

Multifect(TM), and Rhozyme(TM) lines of enzymes for the detergent, dairy, textile, food, and starch processing markets have established Genencor International as a leading supplier of industrial enzymes.

The company also is a major player in the field of diagnostic reagents, and has achieved global recognition with its Snomax(R) snow inducer.

Mitchell holds a B.S. degree in chemical engineering from Drexel University. He lives on Bridgewater Court in Pittsford, N.Y.

Genencor International has multiple facilities in the United States and Finland. In addition to its Rochester headquarters, U.S. facilities also include South San Francisco, Indianapolis, and Schaumburg, Ill. In addition, the company has three manufacturing plants in Finland, as well as processing facilities at various sites in the U.S.

Genencor International also has sales and marketing offices in Helsinki, Paris and Stuttgart. A new large-scale production facility, now under construction in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is expected to be on-line in 1991.

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STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Crompton & Knowles Corp. (NYSE: CNK) announced today that it is expanding its plastics extruder equipment and systems business into the specialized areas of compounding and recycling. Through its Davis-Standard Division, the company has introduced a group of twin screw extruders to service the engineered plastics compounding market. Simultaneously it has introduced a specially-designed single screw extruder for processing reclaimed and recycled plastics.

"Not only is compounding of engineered plastics the fastest growing segment of the plastics industry," said Vincent A. Calarco, president of Crompton & Knowles, "but it's also attractive to us because of its highly specialized technical nature." To help meet the technical challenges, Crompton & Knowles has an exclusive agreement with Japan Steel Works to apply that company's technology for producing and marketing twin screw extruders for the North American market. Japan Steel Works is a world leader in twin screw extruders.

According to Calarco, "Recycling of post-consumer scrap and reclaiming of plastics in the manufacturing process presents excellent growth opportunities for Crompton & Knowles because it's just in its infancy and its technical demands are closely allied to our capabilities. This market is expected to continue to show accelerated growth as demand for plastics recycling spreads."

Crompton & Knowles also produces and markets dyes for textiles and paper and

specialty ingredients for food and pharmaceuticals. Its 1989 sales were $356 million.

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LYNDEN, WASH. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - James P. Cox, spokesman for The Bon Dente Company, today announced successful completion of scale-up tests and enthusiastic acceptance by sausage makers of Prime O Lean(TM) breakfast sausages. Prime O Lean, an artificial adipose tissue, replaces the normal fat portions of the sausage meat, resulting in a greater than 50 percent cholesterol reduction and one-third lower calories. Prime O Lean is made from natural products.

In a variety of scale-up and taste comparisons conducted around the country with sausage and patty makers, Prime O Lean sausage has found consistently enthusiastic response. The Prime O Lean sausage cooks, tastes, smells and has the texture of conventional sausage.

Cox said, "Prime O Lean may help reverse the downtrend in sales of the breakfast sausage industry which has been hit extremely hard as a result of changing consumer dietary habits. Fast foods chains are currently evaluating Prime O Lean sausage for introduction on breakfast menus." Cox went on to say, "It is good to have more choices in our food selections again, particularly for traditional breakfast meals which have undergone the greatest changes and which are probably missed by consumers the most.

"In a radical departure from our traditional role, Bon Dente will not 'spin off' its new artificial adipose development. While we have for many years successfully created and licensed new products such as Egglite(TM) (artificial whole eggs), Fibersalt(TM), Booster Fat(TM), and others, this time we are going to market it ourselves," said Cox.

The Bon Dente Company is a seasoned research and development firm dedicated to serving the needs of large corporations by generating and licensing innovative market-ready new products.

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HANCOCK, MI (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - D&N Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: DNFC) announced today that a quarterly cash dividend of 7.5 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990 would be paid Oct. 25, 1990 to stockholders of record

Oct. 9, 1990. This compares to 15 cents per share for the prior quarter.

In making the announcement, Chairman Kenneth D. Seaton stated, "The reduction in the dividend was made to strengthen our capital position. Our board of directors believes it is prudent and good banking practice to conserve capital at this time in recognition of the uncertain commercial real estate market and associated risks that we as well as other financial institutions are facing."

In other action at D&N Financial Corp.'s regular board of directors meeting on Sept. 24, the corporation announced changes to the boards of directors of the corporation and its subsidiary, D&N Savings Bank, FSB.

R. Daniel Musser's recent resignation from the savings bank board due to other commitments was accepted, and Financial Corp. directors George Schwartz and Richard Nelson were then appointed to that board.

In addition, an adjustment was made to the staggered terms of the Financial Corp. board of directors with the result that the term of director Joseph Bromley will now expire at the 1991 annual meeting.

D&N Financial Corp., through its subsidiary, D&N Savings Bank, FSB, has financial services offices throughout Michigan's Upper Peninsula and mid-Michigan, as well as mortgage banking operations in Arizona, Illinois, Michigan, North Carolina, and Texas.

D&N is the fourth-largest thrift institution in Michigan based on asset size. D&N Financial Corp.'s stock is traded over the counter and is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol DNFC.

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PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of the Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX) have declared a quarterly dividend on the common stock of 35 cents, payable Dec. 1 to shareholders of record Nov. 10.

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#90269p8217 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOSCOW (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Officials of Aeroflot, the Soviet National airline, and The Jepson Burns Corporation of Winston-Salem, North Carolina (U.S.A.), announced today that Jepson Burns will provide first class, business class, and economy class seating for five new Aeroflot A310 aircraft.

The announcement was made by G.B. Jewell, president and chief executive officer of Jepson Burns, during Technika Aeroporta Moscow '90, an international air exposition at WDNG Fairgrounds in Moscow.

The first delivery of the 965-passenger place order will occur in July 1991. The first of five shipsets will be manufactured at Jepson Burns' plant in Winston-Salem. Portions of the remaining four shipsets will be made by Russo Burns Aero Products, a joint venture in Moscow of Jepson Burns and Design Bureau Automatika.

Aeroflot, the world's largest airline, selected the Airest(R) 5 and Airest 20/20 models. The purchase marks the first time that Aeroflot has purchased seats from a Western manufacturer, according to Jewell. He said the 16g capabilities of the seats, along with their comfort and quality were major reasons they were chosen by Aeroflot.

Jepson Burns, a subsidiary of Great American Management and Investment, Inc. (NASDAQ: GAMI) of Chicago, manufactures and markets aircraft interiors worldwide. It has joint ventures in the Soviet Union and Brazil and is completing arrangements for anther joint venture in Yugoslavia. It also has a division on the West Coast, Trans-Aero Industries, which is located in Inglewood, Calif.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Uniforce Temporary Services (NASDAQ: UNFR), a national temporary personnel company, today helicoptered temporaries to job assignments in San Diego; Pompano Beach, Fla.; and Montvale, N.J.

These unique air flights -- the fastest simultaneous delivery of temps to their jobs ever undertaken -- served to demonstrate the importance of speed, efficiency and productivity in the workplace today.

Coast-to-coast flight plans included: 1. Uniforce of San Diego -- President Allan Shaw flew a temp from Charles Lindbergh Field to Titan Corp. in San Diego.

2. Uniforce of Fort Lauderdale -- Co-owners Gary Kamler and Janis Buongermino flew a temp from the Pompano Airport to Pompano Race Track, Pompano Beach.

3. Uniforce of Paramus, N.J. -- President Henry Schnierer flew a temp from Hancock Airport to KPMG Peat Marwick in Montvale, N.J.

John Fanning, chairman of the board of Uniforce Temporary Services, headquartered in New Hyde Park, N.Y., stated: "In this age of the computer,

modem and fax, temporary employment companies are streamlining their services to meet technological change. Helicoptering temps to their jobs dramatically underscores the new challenges of the workplace where productivity depends on a greater sense of urgency, skill and service. Temporaries are 'pilots' on the flight path to the workplace of the future, in terms of their flexibility to move from one job assignment to another, gaining experience, ability and competence as they go."

Uniforce Temporary Services is a nationally franchised, publicly held temporary personnel company with 115 offices coast to coast, providing temporary employment in the general and automated office, marketing, accounting, technical, records management, hospitality and light industrial service categories.

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#90269p8220 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - International Multifoods Corp. (NYSE: IMC) today reported results for its second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Net earnings were $7.6 million, or $.59 per common share, about even with last year's second quarter which included a $2.6 million pre-tax gain related to the restructuring of Canadian operations. Excluding this unusual gain in last year's results, second quarter net earnings this year showed double-digit growth. Net sales for the quarter were up 6 percent to $525 million.

Beginning this quarter, the company's results are reported under new business segments which more closely parallel the company's business structure today. Sales and operating earnings are now reported as follows: U.S. Foodservice, consisting of specialty distribution and foodservice manufacturing; Canada Food Products, comprising retail and industrial food businesses in Canada; North American Agriculture, including principally U.S. and Canadian agricultural operations and U.S. grain merchandising; and Venezuela.

U.S. Foodservice. Earnings for U.S. Foodservice were $9.2 million, up 11 percent over last year's second quarter which included earnings from the Mister Donut franchising business sold early this fiscal year. Improved operating efficiencies were achieved by several foodservice businesses, led by specialty meats and pizza restaurant distribution. Net sales for the quarter rose 10 percent to $358 million.

Canada Food Products. Canada Food Products posted an 18 percent increase in earnings to $4.4 million with excellent gains in retail foods, led by family flour and pickles. These gains were partially offset by lower results in industrial foods due to a strike at one of the company's mills. Net sales

declined 15 percent to $57 million due to the divestiture of businesses last year.

North American Agriculture. Earnings for North American Agriculture rose 63 percent to $2.5 million with the improved agricultural economy. Both U.S. agricultural operations and grain merchandising benefited from the more favorable market conditions versus a year ago. Net sales in this segment increased 4 percent to $60 million.

Minneapolis-based International Multifoods, with fiscal 1990 net sales of $2.1 billion, is a diversified food company with major operations in the United States, Canada and Venezuela.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Southland Corporation said today that its previously announced exchange offers have been extended to expire at midnight New York City time on Monday, Oct. 22, 1990, unless further extended. The company also announced that Ito-Yokado Co., Ltd., Seven-Eleven Japan Co., Ltd. and Southland have mutually agreed to extend the termination date of their previously announced stock purchase agreement to Oct. 22, 1990.

Southland also announced that it has submitted for clearance with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) an amendment to the exchange offers that includes a cash election option for holders of less than $300,000 aggregate principal amount of Southland debt securities. Such holders who tender all of their debt securities into the exchange offers may elect to receive either cash or new debt securities in addition to the previously announced allocation of common stock and, in the case of the senior extendible reset notes, cash. Southland will pay a maximum of $35 million in cash to holders who choose the cash election option.

Cash elections made with respect to each issue of debt securities will not be satisfied unless the cash elections made with respect to the issues of debt securities ranking junior thereto shall have been satisfied in full.

The exchange offers continue to offer all Southland security-holders an aggregate of 25 percent of the company's common equity.

The amendment submitted to the SEC also includes a prepackaged reorganization plan with substantially the same economic terms as the proposed exchange offers, except that the cash election option will not be available.

Southland's exchange offers require that at least 95 percent of each issue of

debt securities be tendered and 66-2/3 percent of the preferred stock be voted in favor of the exchange offers. In comparison, the prepackaged reorganization plan must be accepted by a majority in number and two-thirds in dollar amount of each class of debt-holders who vote, as well as the holders of two-thirds of each class of equity securities who vote.

Upon clearance by the SEC of the amended plan, a proxy statement/ prospectus will be available for distribution. Thereafter, the company will solicit acceptances for its prepackaged reorganization plan. If the company is unable to obtain the required tenders, but has received the necessary acceptances of security-holders for the prepackaged reorganization plan by Oct. 22, then at that point, the company may decide to file its prepackaged reorganization plan. If the prepackaged reorganization plan is filed and is then approved by the bankruptcy court, it would bind 100 percent of Southland's security-holders.

Southland anticipates that a prepackaged plan of reorganization could gain court approval within six months of a filing, whereas traditional (non-prepackaged) Chapter 11 bankruptcies often take several years to complete.

Southland's proposed prepackaged reorganization plan contemplates that all of the company's operations, including its 7-Eleven stores and distribution and food centers, would continue uninterrupted.

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#90269p8225 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRAINTREE, MA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ: GROS) announced today that it has sent a letter to stockholders citing the board's record of building financial, management and market strength to compete effectively, notwithstanding the current difficult conditions in the housing industry, and to prosper in the future.

The letter also contrasted the current board's experience with that of the proposed Shidler/Holman nominees and reaffirmed the board's unanimous opposition to the Shidler/Holman consent solicitation proposal to take control of the Grossman's board.

Tom Schwarz, chairman and chief executive officer of the company said, "Shidler and Holman are real estate financiers, with no apparent experience in running a retail business. Only one Shidler/Holman nominee appears to have served as either chairman of the board, CEO, or president of a public company. Their program to narrow our merchandise selection is a blueprint for disaster. The current directors of Grossman's have over 100 years experience in managing a retailing business. They know how to satisfy our customers.

Given this contrast in experience and the rapidly deteriorating economic conditions, especially in the housing industry, in our principal markets, does it make any sense to turn the management of Grossman's over to the Shidler/Holman nominees?"

Schwarz continued, "The current board understands the challenges posed by today's depressed economic conditions and by vigorous competition. We are confident that Grossman's has the financial strength, the retailing experience the team and the strategy to meet these challenges and to increase stockholder values. Our open market stock repurchase program, which the company announced last week, underscores our confidence in the company's long-term goals and strategies and reflects our belief that Grossman's stock is currently undervalued."

Grossman's, a major retailer of lumber and building materials, operates 156 stores in nine Northeastern states and in California.

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MELBOURNE, FLA. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) announced today that it expects earnings in the first half of its fiscal year will be lower than previously anticipated. At the beginning of August, Harris said it expected that first-half earnings would be relatively flat compared with last year.

John T. Hartley, the company's chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Based upon our current assessment of the economic environment, particularly in our semiconductor and communication markets, together with the uncertainties generated by events in the Middle East, we now believe that earnings in the first half of fiscal '91 will be substantially lower than the first six months of last year."

Hartley said, "As recently as August, while we expected that semiconductor profits would be down somewhat compared with last year's strong first half, we believed this decline would be offset by increased earnings in our other business sectors. However, although our Electronic Systems and Lanier Worldwide businesses are both doing well in difficult environments, it is now clear that the rapid deterioration in domestic semiconductor markets, coupled with higher-than-planned restructuring costs in that segment, will have a greater impact on earnings than originally anticipated. These developments, combined with an earnings shortfall in our domestic communications business, cause us to revise our near-term earnings outlook."

Hartley said that the company's outlook for the year as a whole will depend to a significant degree upon how quickly these markets stabilize and recover. He concluded, "Despite the current weakness in semiconductor markets, we remain confident that the longer-term growth outlook for this business will meet our full expectations. We have a strong portfolio of new products coming to market; we are realizing significant cost reductions and improved operating performance, both of which will provide further benefits when major plant-consolidation programs are completed later this fiscal year; and we expect semiconductor demand to improve during 1991."

Harris Corporation, with worldwide sales of more than $3 billion, is focused on four major businesses: Electronic systems, communications, semiconductors and office equipment.

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MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Norwest Corporation (NYSE: NOB) late yesterday voted to authorize the corporation to reacquire up to 5 million shares of Norwest common stock.

Norwest said the shares, to be purchased from time to time at market price, will be used to meet periodic stock requirements of the company's employee savings and investment plan, to expand its employee stock ownership plan (ESOP), for its shareholder dividend reinvestment plan, and for other corporate purposes. At June 30, 1990, Norwest had approximately 102.5 million common shares outstanding.

The Norwest board met in regular session yesterday in Kohler, Wis., the former headquarters city of First Interstate Corporation of Wisconsin, which Norwest acquired in May 1990.

Norwest Corporation is a $26.8 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking-related and specialized financial services through a total of more than 1,290 offices in 47 states and internationally.

CONTACT: Jack Kerr of Norwest

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THOROFARE, N.J. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Joining Checkpoint Systems' (NASDAQ: CHEK) board of directors, Dr. Roger Blackwell, a world-renowned author and lecturer, will provide the company with broad insight into marketing strategy and consumer research.

In making the announcement, A.E. Wolf, chairman of the board and chief executive officer at Checkpoint, said, "Dr. Blackwell's extensive knowledge of socioeconomic principles and their role in the development of marketing strategies should assist our development as a market- oriented company. We are pleased to welcome Dr. Blackwell to the board of directors."

Named Marketing Educator of the Year by Sales and Marketing Executives International, Blackwell teaches marketing strategy and consumer research at Ohio State University. He specializes in the analysis of changing social and economic variables and their effects on marketing strategy. Blackwell has co-authored two books in 1990 which are used by universities throughout the world.

A consultant to some of America's largest companies, Blackwell has also appeared as an expert witness before several congressional committees and other legal proceedings. He is a principal in Market Group One Inc., a marketing and research consulting firm. He earned B.S. and M.S. degrees at the University of Missouri, and his Ph.D. at Northwestern University. His appointment to Checkpoint's board of directors is effective immediately.

Checkpoint Systems Inc. is the leading developer and manufacturer of advanced microprocessor radio frequency-based security systems. Using detectable, paper thin, disposable circuits that can be deactivated remotely, Checkpoint's Electronic Signatures(R) systems identify items or people in retail, institutional, industrial and commercial applications.

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IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Gradco Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: GRCO) announced that it has unanimously voted to authorize Gradco management and its legal and financial advisors to explore a plan to spin-off Gradco's printer products business to existing Gradco shareholders.

The purpose of the plan is to maximize long-term shareholder value and increase flexibility by separating Gradco's copier products and printer products businesses into two distinct and separately traded entities. It is intended that the proposed plan would involve the following steps:

- All printer related and non-copier operating entities will be merged with Gradco Printer Systems, Inc. ("GPS");
- Gradco will spin-off GPS to shareholders;
- Gradco Systems (Japan), Ltd. ("GSJ") will continue to conduct all the worldwide copier business;
- As part of the plan, Gradco will pay down all of the existing Gradco

Systems, Inc. debt, write-off certain business assets and will function as a holding company owning only shares of GSJ.

Keith B. Stewart, chairman and chief executive officer of Gradco, stated, "The disparity between the two businesses in their respective development cycles and risk profiles and the fundamental differences in the end-markets for the copier products and printer products businesses has produced confusion among Gradco investors.

"The spin-off plan will reflect the historical profitability of the copier products business and provide the initial working capital to the printer business. Going forward, these two businesses will be conducted by two separate publicly traded entities and by separate and independent management teams."

Stewart added, "We believe that the separation of Gradco and Gradco Printer Systems and the ability to trade the shares independently according to shareholders' individual risk-return profiles will improve market perception, focus market attention on the potential of each business and maximize the value of the shares."

The spin-off will provide shareholders with investments in two distinctly attractive companies. The remaining Gradco Systems stock should represent a solid investment solely in the worlwide sorter business based in Japan and will provide a unique vehicle to participate in the proposed initial public offering of GSJ shares in Japan.

The newly separated Gradco Printer Systems should provide investors with an opportunity to participate in a high growth venture with management proven in the printer business. Longer-term, this entity will seek a strategic partner to further improve business opportunities.

Gradco and its financial and legal advisors are continuing to reveiw the feasibility of the plan including any tax consequences, if any, associated with it. No definitive plan will be adopted or implemented prior to Gradco's upcoming Oct. 12 annual meeting and there can be no assurances that the spin-off plan will be implemented.

While Gradco believes that the spin-off plan should provide holders of Gradco shares with an attractive opportunity to participate in the higher valuations historically available in the Japanese capital markets, the likelihood of a successful initial public offering in Japan is jeoparized by the pending litigation filed by Martin Tash of Plenum Publishing Corporation.

The company has, therefore, decided to make all reasonable efforts to work towards an amicable settlement of the suit. The company is willing to enter into discussions with Plenum, however; neither Plenum nor Tash have communicated with the company at this point.

Gradco is the world's leading independent supplier of sorters, sheet feeders, and other paper handling devices for the office automation market.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has awarded a patent to Genetics Institute, Inc. (NASDAQ: GENI) covering human Interleukin-3 (IL-3) type products, the company announced today.

The patent, U.S. 4,959,455, covers proteins produced using part or all of the IL-3 DNA sequence (including fusion proteins) and exhibiting IL-3-like properties. Sandoz, Ltd. has exclusively licensed IL-3 from Genetics Institute and initiated clinical trials for IL-3 in 1989.

IL-3 is a blood cell growth factor which stimulates certain cells in the body's host defense system. The company believes that it may be useful in treating the blood cell deficiencies associated with cancer treatment, bone marrow transplantation, and certain other blood cell disorders.

IL-3 acts earlier in the pathway of blood cell development than other blood cell stimulators. It may also have enhanced activity when used in combination with other blood cell growth factors such as GM-CSF, as reported by Genetics Institute scientists in 1988 in the journal Science.

"The issuance of this patent illustrates the continuing innovation and productivity of Genetics Institute's research organization and our achievements in the field of blood cell growth factors", said L. Patrick Gage, Ph.D., executive vice president of Genetics Institute.

"This patent, paired with the IL-3 process patent which we received last November, reflects both the strength and breadth of our patent position in this product area," said Bruce Eisen, vice president and chief patent counsel for Genetics Institute.

Genetics Institute is a leading biotechnology firm engaged in the discovery and development of human pharmaceuticals through recombinant DNA and other technologies.

The company has a diversified portfolio of licensed and proprietary pharmaceutical products at various stages of approval, testing and research which include erythropoietin (EPO), Factor VIII, GM-CSF, IL-3, IL-6, M-CSF, and bone growth factors (BMPs).

CONTACT: Melinda Lindquist or Clare Midgley, both of Genetics Institute, (617) 876-1170.

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VALLEY, NE (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Valmont Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: VALM) has declared a quarterly dividend of 6 1/2 cents per share ($.065) payable Oct. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990. The dividend indicates an annual rate of 26 cents ($.26) per share.

Valmont Industries manufactures components for the electrical construction industry; is a leading producer of mechanized irrigation systems for worldwide agricultural markets; and owns 80 percent of ValCom Inc., a major distributor of microcomputer products and services.

CONTACT: Brian Stanley of Valmont Industries Inc., 402-359-2201.

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ROCKVILLE, MD (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - A RoundTable devoted to support of tax preparation and forms software published by Softview Inc. is now available on the GEnie online information service offered by GE Information Services.

Softview, of Oxnard, Calif., publishes tax preparation software, on both the personal and professional level, as well as a family of forms- related software products. The Softview RoundTable (RT) on the GEnie service will be the official source of online support for users of Softview products.

According to Softview RT Manager Russ Sprouse, "At Softview we are busy finalizing plans for our 1990 tax products, and working closely with a big six accounting firm to detail the specifications for the many tax forms involved for the 1990 tax returns."

"Our big emphasis this year," added Sprouse, "will be to get the products out earlier, particularly the state tax supplements. We will be adding supplements for Michigan, Minnesota, Maryland, Pennsylvania, and the District of Columbia, bringing to 13 the number of states supported by Softview."

"Another exciting growth is electronic filing of tax returns," added Sprouse. "The IRS received over 4.2 million tax returns electronically in the 1989 tax season, and many of those returns were filed using Softview software and services. We expect tremendous growth in the electronic filing area, and we're here on GEnie to answer any questions we can regarding electronic filing of tax returns."

The Softview RT, like all GEnie service RoundTables, offers a Bulletin Board capability for posting and reading messages by categories, a Real-Time Conference capability for online discussions, and software libraries where subscribers can download public domain software related to the subject of the RoundTable.

The software libraries contain two types of files: text files containing information such as product specifications and question and answer files; and software files containing updates to Softview products or demonstration versions of certain products.

For further information in the United States and Canada on the GEnie service and the Softview RoundTable, please call 1-800-638-9636. GE Information Services, a division of General Electric Company, U.S.A. (NYSE: GE), is headquartered in Rockville, Md.

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MAYWOOD, NJ (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - AutoInfo, Inc. (NASDAQ: AUTO) reported record revenues and net income for the first quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Revenues for the first quarter increased by 24 percent to $2,317,000 from $1,875,000 for the comparable quarter of the prior fiscal year. The company reported net income for the first quarter of $553,000, or $.08 per share, compared to a net income of $322,000, or $.05 per share, for the same quarter of the previous year.

Announcing the quarterly results, Martin Rubin, president, stated "Revenues increased in the quarter due to the growth of our Orion Network and the increased sales of the Checkmate(TM) computer systems. The dramatic increase in the quarter's net income was attributed to the increase in sales and the operating efficiencies achieved over the past year. We anticipate that these trends will continue in the future."

AutoInfo provides communications and computer services to over 2,000 auto parts salvage dealers in 49 states and eight Canadian provinces. The company operates one of the largest satellite networks in North America and provides database services to major automobile insurance companies.

AUTOINFO, INC. SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA (Unaudited)

Three months ended Aug. 31	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,317,274	$1,874,844
Net income before taxes	609,724	331,680
Provision for income taxes	57,000	10,000
Net income	552,724	321,680

Net income per share	.08	.05
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	7,281,637	6,251,627

CONTACT: Scott Zecher of AutoInfo, (201) 712-0020.

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#90269p8246 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, VA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Hadron Inc. (NASDAQ: HDRN) today announced the formation of the Aerospace Sciences Division, and the appointment of Michael E. Walker as its vice president and general manager.

As a new operating unit within Hadron's Professional Services Segment, the Aerospace Sciences Division (ASD) provides human resources management, systems engineering, systems analysis, and training support to government and industrial clients involved with aerospace applications of complex human-machine systems.

Walker has more than 20 years in the professional services industry, and has served both government and industry in the development and acquisition of complex human-machine systems. He has held executive level management positions at Science Applications International Corp. Inc., Horizons Technology Inc., and Research Management Consultants Inc.

"Hadron is moving forward with its plans to broaden and strengthen its product offerings," stated James L. Arnold, Hadron president and CEO. "The formation of the ASD and the appointment of Mike Walker as its leader are important elements in management's plans to move the company forward into exciting new directions."

"The experience that Walker brings to Hadron provides the business leverage and growth potential needed for the launch of the Aerospace Sciences Division " added Arnold.

Walker served in the U.S. Army Astronaut Candidate Program, and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for his Vietnam service. He holds both B.S. and masters degrees in electrical engineering from New Mexico State University.

Hadron Inc. is an integrated high technology company providing technical products and services in the fields of engineering, computer science, litigation support, and data communications.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Unichema North America, one of the world's leading producers of oleochemicals, announced that it will increase its pricing of fatty acids.

The price increase, averaging 6 percent to 8 percent, will apply to stearic, oleic and tallow fatty acids. According to Unichema North America, the increase in pricing is necessary to compensate for the higher costs of processing, energy and transportation, as well as lower credit for glycerine, a co-product in the production of fatty acids.

Unichema North America manufactures fatty acids and glycerine in Chicago. The organization is part of Unichema International, a group of international companies producing more than one billion pounds of oleochemicals annually.

For additional information contact Alfredo Islas, vice president- Marketing, Unichema North America, 4650 S. Racine Ave., Chicago, Ill., 60609, 312-376-9000.

CONTACT: Allan S. Fliss of Francioli Richartz Weiman & Fliss, 201-299-8090, for Unichema North America

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#90269p8248 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) announced today it is constructing a "Ti-Pure" titanium dioxide pigment sizing and packaging facility in Uberaba, Brazil.

The facility will begin operation in late 1991 to serve the Brazilian market.

Titanium dioxide provides opacity to paint, paper, plastics and other products.

The plant is being built on a 235-acre site owned by Du Pont in the state of Minas Gerais, approximately 200 miles northwest of Sao Paulo.

"Manufacturing capacity in Brazil is a key element of our global strategy, and this project represents the first step," said Dennis Reilley, director of international operations. "We plan to build additional processing units to make the Uberaba facility a full-scale titanium dioxide manufacturing facility by the mid-1990s."

Du Pont is the world's largest producer of titanium dioxide, with capacity of more than 700,000 metric tons. The company has production facilities in Edge Moor, Del.; New Johnsonville, Tenn.; Antioch, Calif.; De Lisle, Miss.; and Altamira, Mexico.

CONTACT: Sally Boyer of Du Pont, 302-774-0542

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#90269p8250 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Realty One announced plans to merge with the 10 Akron/Canton-based Realty One Boebinger offices in order to expand its independent real estate network to 49 offices serving 18 counties throughout Northeast Ohio. Prior to the merger, Realty One Boebinger was an affiliate of Realty One.

To celebrate this merger, Realty One will stage an Olympic-style rally featuring 1984 U.S. Olympic gold medal gymnast Peter Vidmar on Sept. 27 from noon to 4:30 p.m. at Public Auditorium in the Cleveland Convention Center, 500 Lakeside Ave. A press conference will take place at 1:15 p.m. on the main stage.

Vidmar's motivational address to more than 1,500 full-time Realty One sales associates and 385 employees will parallel his Olympic achievements to achieving success in today's business world. He will deliver this message while demonstrating his gymnastic skills.

Representatives from the Special Olympics Ohio team will also participate in the festivities. Plus, Realty One will present a charitable donation to a local chapter of the Special Olympics commemorating the Realty One/Realty One Boebinger merger. Special Olympics organizes competitive sports activities for mentally handicapped and developmentally disabled athletes.

Other Realty One rally highlights include a parade featuring Vidmar and representatives from each Realty One office and department along with the marching band from Lake High School, Hartville, Ohio, and gymnasts from Hudson High School and Gymnastics World, Brecksville. The 49 Realty One offices will also compete by designing an exhibit that depicts their community's unique features and services. Judges will award gold, silver and bronze trophies to the three offices or departments that best portray their market area.

Realty One Boebinger began in 1966 as Boebinger, Realtors. Founder Betty Boebinger opened the company's first office in Canton. Her husband John joined the company as president in 1967. The company grew to become the Akron/Canton area's largest residential brokerage firm with 300 agents and 50 employees.

With more than 1,500 full-time sales associates and 385 employees, Realty One participated in more than 20,000 residential listings and sales sides in 1989 for a combined sales volume of $1,831,000,000.

CONTACT: Stephen M. Kahnert of Realty One, 216-291-3200; or Kathy A. Gray of Brubaker, Cole & Associates, 216-656-3502, for Realty One

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#90269p8253 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
RALEIGH, N.C. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - On Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 25, the Texfi Industries, Inc. (NYSE: TXF) corporate plane crashed on takeoff in clear weather near Jefferson, Ga. All three people on board were killed. They were the pilot, the co-pilot, and a non-employee passenger travelling on business. The cause of the accident is unknown.

CONTACT: Michael A. Miller, executive VP and CFO of Texfi, 919-783-4736, or Marisa Heine of D.F. King and Co., 212-269-5550, for Texfi

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#90269p8258 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines has appointed Roy E. Sowers to the new position of manager - cargo customer service. Based at Eastern's Atlanta hub, Sowers is responsible for maintaining service quality standards throughout the airline's 80-city cargo network.

Prior to his new appointment, Sowers was cargo regional sales manager for Eastern's Central region. He is succeeded by Alan Atkinson, former deputy director-customer service.

Commenting on the appointments, Steve Davis, vice president - cargo, said: "Eastern's August cargo revenue showed a gain in spite of the elimination of our Latin American routes. We continue to focus on building the U.S. domestic marketplace."

Both Sowers and Atkinson will be based at Atlanta where the airline currently operates over 300 flights a day to more than 700 U.S. cities.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, (305) 873-3773 or (305) 873-6360.

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#90269p8260 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Justin Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: JSTN), Fort Worth, and Tony Lama Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: TLAM), El Paso, Texas, jointly announced today the successful completion on Tuesday, Sept. 25, of Justin's tender offer to acquire the outstanding shares of Tony Lama at $9 in cash per share.

Justin said that according to a preliminary count by its depositary, Ameritrust Texas, N.A., approximately 1,886,252 Tony Lama shares were validly tendered in the offer and accepted for payment by Justin's wholly owned acquisition subsidiary, TL Acquisition, Inc., including shares subject to

guarantees of delivery, through midnight, New York City time, on Sept. 25. As a result, TL Acquisition now owns shares representing approximately 97 percent of the outstanding Tony Lama shares.

Pursuant to the merger agreement between Justin and Tony Lama, Justin intends to merge TL Acquisition with and into Tony Lama. As a result, holders of shares of Tony Lama common stock who did not tender their shares in the offer will receive $9 in cash per share. Following the merger, Tony Lama will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Justin.

Tony Lama's principal business is the design, manufacture and marketing of western boots and leather accessories under its "Tony Lama" trademark.

Justin Industries includes Justin Boot Company and Nocona Boot Company - makers of famed Justin(R) and Nocona(R) footwear; Acme Brick Company - the top domestically owned U.S. manufacturer of face brick; Ceramic Cooling Tower Company - designer/builder of cooling systems for utility and commercial users manufacturers of Permalite(R), Ultralite(R), and Unilite(R) cooling towers plus Tradewinds(R) evaporative air coolers for residential and commercial needs; Featherlite Building Products Corporation - leading Southwest producer of concrete masonry products; and Northland Publishing Company - publisher of fine books focused on the art and history of the American West.

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#90269p8262 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

LUMBERTON, NC (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank officials at Southern National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SNAT) say a unique product they successfully developed and marketed last year is being used as the catalyst in an aggressive deposit campaign launched last week to grow market share in North and South Carolina.

Southern National's "Guaranteed Up CD", unveiled last week in a major television and newspaper advertising campaign, is as its name suggests, a certificate of deposit that is guaranteed to increase by a 1/2 percent midway through the term even if the prime rate falls. The product requires a minimum deposit of $1,000 for nine or 12 months. The rate is adjusted quarterly to match the amount the prime rate has risen.

"There's no other product like it on the market today," said Rudy Oates, marketing director. "As far as we know, no one in the industry is promising their customer that the rate on their CD will go up. The guarantee is unique. Those who invested in this CD last year saw their rates rise a full one percent by the end of their term.

"If prime goes up, your CD goes up. If prime falls, your CD still goes up.

Becauseof the unpredictability of the market right now, people are looking for stable returns on their investments. We believe we will attract a large number of people who regularly shop rates."

Currently, rates for nine- and 12-month CDs are at 7.70 percent with a minimum guarantee to increase to 8.20 percent. "That number could easily climb higher depending on the prime," Oates said. "This is a powerful product."

To compliment its efforts to increase market share among its 142 banking offices in the Carolinas, Southern National is signing up customers by mail. Thousands of CD sign-up cards have been sent to existing and new customers. "We want to make it as convenient for the customer as we can. That's why we are giving them the opportunity of banking by mail.

"For the past several years, Southern National has been redefining customer convenience," Oates said. "It's only been a few weeks since we brought on-line a voice response system that enables our customers to get information on their accounts over the phone. We're simply making it easier for our customers to bank without having to go to the bank."

CONTACT: Bob Denham, Public Relations, (919) 671-2427, or Rudy Oates, Marketing Director, (919) 671-2430, both of Southern National Corporation.

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#90269p8263 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MORRIS PLAINS, N.J. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Warner-Lambert Company (NYSE: WLA) today confirmed it has entered into a three-year agreement with the state of California that provides for the addition of four of the company's Parke-Davis pharmaceuticals to the Medi-Cal list of contract drugs that gives patients unrestricted access to certain products.

The agreement covers the lipid-regulating drug Lopid in both 300 mg. and 600 mg. doses, the oral contraceptives Loestrin and Norlestrin and the anti-anginal Nitrostat.

All other Parke-Davis products which were on the Medi-Cal formulary will remain available to Medi-Cal patients without prior authorization. The agreement ensures that patients who rely on California's Medicaid program for health care will have access to a broader range of Parke-Davis pharmaceutical products.

"This agreement reflects our belief that the unrestricted availability of high-quality prescription drugs remains the single most cost-effective action in dealing with the rising cost of health care," said Parke-Davis Group President Joseph E. Smith.

Warner-Lambert is a worldwide company devoted to developing, manufacturing and

marketing quality health care and consumer products. It employs approximately 33,000 people.

CONTACT: Peter Wolf, 201-540-6696, or Tom Furlong, 201-540-2145, both of Warner-Lambert

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#90269p8265 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dreyfus Corporation (NYSE: DRY) announced today that effective Oct. 1, 1990, it will allocate to Dreyfus Worldwide Dollar Money Market Fund a portion of the fund's operating expenses equal to .05 percent (5/100 of 1 percent) of assets. For the past 19 months, since the fund's inception, Dreyfus has waived its entire management fee and has absorbed all of the fund's other operating expenses, currently running at .24 percent (24/100 of 1 percent).

On Aug. 22 Dreyfus announced that it would continue to waive its entire management fee for the fund until June 30, 1991.

Joseph S. DiMartino, president of both the fund and The Dreyfus Corporation, said: "We have repeatedly stated that, when and if it was deemed appropriate to allocate to the fund its normal operating expenses, it would be done on a gradual and phased basis, and this is the course we will follow."

Since Dreyfus Worldwide Dollar Money Market Fund began it has offered cumulatively, the highest yield of any money market fund. At the close of business on Sept. 24, 1990, the fund's assets totaled $8.96 billion and its seven-day compounded yield was 8.6 percent. The seven- day current yield on that date was 8.28 percent.

Dreyfus Worldwide Dollar Money Market Fund invests only in high quality money market instruments issued around the world but sold in U.S. dollars, thus eliminating the risk of currency fluctuations.

Investors who are interested should obtain a prospectus containing more complete information, including charges and expenses, and should read it carefully before they invest. Past performance is no guarantee of future results; the fund's yield fluctuates.

CONTACT: Jack Bernstein Associates, 212-397-0660, for Dreyfus

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#90269p8266 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomson McKinnon Inc. today released the following:

On Sept. 25, 1990, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court temporarily adjourned the hearing called to consider the previously announced proposed acquisition by Thomson Advisory Group Inc. of Thomson McKinnon's interest in Thomson Advisory Group L.P. (formerly Thomson McKinnon Asset Management L.P.) and its affiliated distributor. This adjournment will allow the two bankrupt entities, Thomson McKinnon Inc. and Thomson McKinnon Securities, Inc., and their Creditors Committee to consider a competing bid which was submitted shortly before such hearing from the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company of Toronto, a large Canadian life insurance company. The new bid, for $33 million in cash, is subject to numerous conditions, including due diligence review, negotiation and execution of definitive agreements, approvals by the trustees and shareholders of the partnership's mutual fund clients, retaining or replacing senior mutual fund portfolio managers, governmental and court approvals, and approval by the board of Manufacturers Life.

Thomson Advisory Group L.P. manages a family of nine mutual funds and serves as advisor to private accounts through its Columbus Circle Investors and its Foxhall Investment Management divisions. As of June 30, 1990, total assets under management exceeded $7 billion.

CONTACT: David B. Hiley of Thomson McKinnon Inc., 212-742-0708

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#90269p8268 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

EXETER, NH (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Tyco Laboratories, Inc. (NYSE: TYC) announced today that its Simplex Wire and Cable Company subsidiary has received a contract valued at $4.8 million, with options for an additional $1 million, from the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command in Washington, D.C. This contract is a continuation of an oceanographic cable manufacturing program that has been underway at Simplex for more than three decades.

Simplex is a leading manufacturer of underwater communications systems, power cable and flexible pipe for fluid and gas carrying applications. Tyco is a worldwide manufacturer of fire protection/flow control systems, electrical and electronic components and packaging materials.

CONTACT: Irving Gutin, senior vice president of Tyco Laboratories, (603) 778-9700.

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#90269p8275 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Zapata Corporation (NYSE: ZOS) announced today that it is issuing notices of redemption to the holders as of Sept. 27, 1990, of its 8-5/8 percent United States government guaranteed ship financing bonds due June 15, 1996 for redemption on Nov. 1, 1990. The price to be paid is 101.815 percent of principal plus interest accrued from June 15, 1990.

Some $27.6 million in principal is outstanding on the 8-5/8 percent bonds.

Zapata will also be redeeming its 8-1/4 percent United States government ship financing bonds due June 15, 1996, which are not traded on the New York Stock Exchange. The price to be paid is 102.230 percent of principal plus interest accrued from June 15, 1990. Some $5.1 million in principal is outstanding on the 8-1/4 percent bonds.

Zapata Corporation is a Houston-based international company that operates a fleet of offshore drilling rigs, produces oil and natural gas, and conducts commercial fishing operations that produce fish meal and edible fish oil.

CONTACT: Barney White, 713-226-6240 or David Skarke, vice president-finance, 713-226-6468, both of Zapata.

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#90269p8279 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DUBLIN, CA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Hexcel Corp. (NYSE: HXL) stated today that its results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, while still profitable, are likely to be less favorable than the financial community expectations.

Cutbacks in military aerospace and profit margin pressures in the honeycomb business, which have affected the company's financial performance since early 1989, continue to impact results negatively. In addition, start-up difficulties in the manufacture of aspartame, the artificial sweetener produced under contract for Nutrasweet, have caused delays in meeting the sales originally projected. Furthermore, sluggish economic conditions in certain industries in Europe have resulted in a slowdown of business at several of the company's European operations.

The company noted that its third quarter results typically lag other quarters, due to the month-long summer holiday in most European countries when many businesses close down.

According to Robert L. Witt, president and chairman, the outlook is for improved earnings in the fourth quarter from third quarter levels. "We began manufacture of aspartame in July. Production levels are now on target and the product should be profitable in the fourth quarter."

Final results for the third quarter are expected to be announced around Oct. 23.

Hexcel is an international developer and manufacturer of honeycomb, advanced composites, reinforcement fabrics, chemicals and resins for commercial aerospace, space and defense and other general industrial markets. Its stock is traded on the New York and Pacific Stock exchanges under the symbol HXL.

CONTACT: D. Thomas Divird of Hexcel, 415-828-4200

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#90269p8281 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Dynatec International Inc. (NASDAQ: DYNX) announces fiscal year end June 30, 1990 results.

Dynatec experienced net revenues of $5,912,035 and net income of $447,204 versus revenues of $4,819,681 and a loss of $48,191 for the prior fiscal year.

Fiscal year 1990 revenues represent a 22.7 percent increase from the corresponding revenues for the prior year. The income translates to earnings per share of 24 cents versus a loss of two cents for the prior year.

Dynatec increased its working capital and cash positions during the fiscal year recently ended and significantly improved current and debt to worth ratios.

NOTE TO EDITORS: For futher information and/or copies of current financial information, contact the company at 1-800-722-7425.

CONTACT: David White of Dynatec International Inc., 1-800-722-7425.

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#90269p8282 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - DI Industries, Inc., (AMEX: DRL), announced today that in two separate bids they had received notice of award, both subject to final contract, in the amount of $4.7 million. The smaller project was in excess of $400,000 for an Upper Guadalupe River Authority project at Kerrville, Texas, which contract and notice to proceed have been received.

It also received a $4.3 million contract to construct 18 6-ft to 15- ft. large diameter shafts for the extension of the Chicago T.A.R.P. Tunneling Project, which will employ the company's Chicago Shaft Division for approximately two years. Max M. Dillard, president, says this large diameter work will greatly enhance the company's revenue when combined with its 68 oil and gas rigs, an already expanding oilfield market and its recently acquired Foundation Division.

DI Industries is engaged primarily in the business of providing onshore contract drilling and well workover services to firms in the oil and gas industry, commercial drilling, oil and gas exploration, development and production and equipment repair and sales.

CONTACT: Max M. Dillard, president, DI Industries, 713-874-0202

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#90269p8283 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Vallen Corporation (NASDAQ: VALN) today announced the signing of a letter of intent to purchase the business and assets of Instrument Services, Inc., Houston. Instrument Services' sales in calendar 1989 were $2.6 million. Ronald E. Hope, current president and owner of Instrument Services, will continue as that unit's general manager.

According to J.M. Wayne Code, Vallen's president, "Instrument Services specializes in the sales and servicing of gas detection and environmental monitoring equipment. They currently repair and service a wide variety of portable environmental monitoring devices for industrial users, including many Vallen customers. The acquisition will complement our occupational health and environmental safety equipment lines and enhance the company's growing repair and service business. In addition, Hope brings excellent industry experience to our management team."

Instrument Services will operate as a division of the company's distribution subsidiary, Vallen Safety Supply Company. Vallen Safety sells a wide variety of industrial safety and health products. It currently operates from 33 locations throughout the continental United States and Alaska. Encon Safety Products, Inc., Vallen's manufacturing subsidiary, is the leading producer of emergency shower and eye wash fountains for industrial use. The manufacturing subsidiary also molds and vacuum forms several industrial safety equipment items including optical quality protective eyewear.

CONTACT: Don B. Hair, vp-finance of Vallen Corporation, 713-462-8700.

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#90269p8287 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
LA JOLLA, CA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermark Inc. (AMEX: IMI) and its 52 percent controlled Partner Company, Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE: PIR) announced that Pier 1 has purchased from Intermark its controlling stake in Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. (AMEX: SBN) for $22.7 million, cash. In the transaction, Pier 1 purchased approximately 1.9 million of the 3.8 million Sunbelt common shares outstanding, representing a 51 percent interest, for $12 per share. Intermark said the sale will result in a pretax gain of approximately $11 million. Pursuant to the stock Purchase Agreement in the transaction, Pier 1 has agreed to make a cash tender offer of $12 per share to all holders of Sunbelt stock.

Sunbelt Nursery Group is the dominant nursery enterprise in six of the 11 largest lawn and garden markets in the United States with 97 stores that feature nursery stock and garden supplies. For the 12 months ended July 31, 1990, Sunbelt had revenues of $142 million, net income of $9.4 million and net earnings of $2.29 per share. Pier 1 is North America's largest and

fastest-growing specialty retailer of decorative home furnishings and related items, with 541 stores in 44 states and Canada.

Intermark also announced that, with the recent merger of its affiliate Triton Group Ltd. just completed on Aug. 30, its Board of Directors has not yet had the opportunity to fully evaluate the Company's dividend policy in light of the merger, applicable debt instruments and the anticipated strategic restructuring of its balance sheet. Therefore, it will not declare or pay a quarterly cash dividend for Oct. 1990, on its Common or Participating Preferred Stock.

Intermark is a $2 billion operating/holding company whose business is to acquire a controlling interest in, operate through and add value to well-established, successful, mid-sized American growth companies in broadly diverse industries.

CONTACT: Mitchell R. Woodbury, VP and Corporate Counsel, or John C. Stiska, President, of Intermark Inc., 619-456-1000.

-30- 2231

#90269p8291 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Cadillac Motor Car Division reported overall sales of 9,001 units for the Sept. 10-20 sales period, a slight drop of 1.8 percent from the 9,167 units sold during the same period last year.

Sales of the full-size De Ville/Fleetwood models, America's best- selling luxury cars, were reported at 6,690 units -- up 2.4 percent from last year's sales of 6,534. Sales of Cadillac's personal luxury sedan, Seville, also were up substantially -- 563 units compared to 391 units during the same period last year.

"Selling just 166 units less than a year ago tells us that consumer confidence in our products remains strong," according to John O. Grettenberger, General Motors vice president and Cadillac general manager. "Our customers are telling us that they are concerned about the economy in general, the Persian Gulf crisis and availability of fuel."

For 1991, fuel economy ratings for Cadillac's De Ville/Fleetwood, Seville and Eldorado models are EPA-rated at 16 mpg city and 26 mpg highway -- more than double compared to what it was during the first oil embargo in 1974.

CONTACT: Vince Muniga of Cadillac, 313-554-5070

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#90269p8297 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

STRATFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The new and highly affordable Pitney

Bowes Model 9100 facsimile system features revolutionary inkjet printer technology which allows for noiseless operation and crisp, clear image on plain paper at low cost and easy maintenance.

"We have taken a proven technology utilized by the computer industry for years and applied it to fax. The result is a highly reliable, cost-effective, "true" plain paper machine that delivers superb copy quality. The print mechanism in the Model 9100 is the same found in the more than one million inkjet printers installed around the world," according to Meredith Fischer, vice president, marketing, Pitney Bowes Facsimile Division.

The Model 9100 features extra-fine, 300 x 300 dpi/11.8 x 11.8 dpmm, printing and scanning. This, combined with plain paper printing and CCITT error correction, ensures clear transmission of fine print copy, detailed drawings and halftones.

A natural replacement for thermal fax in smaller businesses, branch offices or incremental "department" machines, the Model 9100 is equipped with many memory functions designed to save time and provide hassle-free service. Multi-station transmission enables the transmission of the same document to as many as 100 stations sequentially. Specific documents also can be sent selectively to different destinations. In case of line failure, memory feature redials and retransmits from the page where disconnection occurred. In addition to a standard memory capacity of 12 pages, the 9100 can be configured with optional memory of 42, 72 and 132 pages.

Fischer also noted that the Model 9100 is equipped with diagnostic software which allows engineers in Pitney Bowes Diagnostic Centers around the world to identify and correct 70 percent of all problems over the telephone. "The customer's business can resume almost immediately, without having to wait for a service tech." If, however, on site service is required, the company provides a 4 hour service response through over 6,000 Pitney Bowes technicians in locations worldwide.

The Model 9100 is compact, 17.8" x 15" x 9.1" (w x d x h), and weights 26 lbs. (12kg) and is available through a variety of financial terms, including Pitney Bowes rental.

Pitney Bowes, Inc. (NYSE: PBI) is a $2.9 billion, multinational manufacturing and marketing company that provides mailing, shipping, copying, dictating, facsimile and retail systems, as well as business supplies and services, and product financing.

CONTACT: Meredith Fischer of Pitney Bowes, 203-381-7417, or Scott Tangney of Lobsenz-Stevens, 212-684-6300, for Pitney Bowes.

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ARLINGTON, VA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Customers needing Codex, Hayes and other data communications products for their office now will be able to order them through Bell Atlantic (NYSE: BEL) as a result of a recently signed agreement between Bell Atlantic and Data Net, Inc., a division of Willcox & Gibbs, Inc. (NYSE: WG).

Under a marketing pact between Bell Atlanticom Systems, Inc., and Data Net, Bell Atlantic is now authorized to arrange for the sale, installation and maintenance of Data Net's products such as name-brand modems, T-1 multiplexers fiber multiplexers and local area network (LAN) routers and bridges. Data Net is a sales and service organization specializing in data communications products.

"Business customers can now turn to Bell Atlantic for state-of-the-art data communications products," said Bruce Gordon, Bell Atlantic vice president of marketing and sales. "Since its formation, Bell Atlantic has led the telecommunications industry in developing data communications services that use the public network. We've formed this relationship with Data Net in order to better meet the needs of our customers for data solutions -- including premises-based equipment as well as network-based services."

"The agreement helps Data Net realize its plans to expand into new markets on the East Coast," said Joel Schwarz, president of Data Net. "We're pleased to be working with Bell Atlantic, which has a reputation for providing high quality service."

Bell Atlantic will first test and refine its agency relationship with Data Net in Pennsylvania this month. Over the next several months Bell Atlantic plans to expand the relationship to the rest of its mid-Atlantic serving territory.

Data Net, Inc., based in Englewood, N.J., is a division of New York- based Willcox & Gibbs, Inc., a corporation with sales of over $600 million.

Bell Atlantic is owner of seven telephone companies serving the mid-Atlantic region: New Jersey Bell, Bell of Pennsylvania, Diamond State Telephone serving Delaware, and the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Companies serving Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and Washington. Bell Atlantic also is a supplier of mobile communications in the mid-Atlantic region, and software, systems integration, computer services and support, financial services and telecommunications consulting in national and international markets.

The corporation's equipment subsidiary, Bell Atlanticom Systems, Inc., sells, installs and maintains communications systems and equipment for business, education and government customers across the United States.

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ROCHESTER, NY (SEPT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Beginning Oct. 1, inTeleFeatures will be available to approximately 50,000 Rochester Telephone customers in Pittsford and Perinton whose telephone numbers begin with 223, 248, 377, 381, 383, 385, 388, 398, 425 and 586.

inTeleFeatures are new services designed to give customers more convenience and control over the use of their telephones. The services include:

--Call Return --Automatic Redial --Call Tracing By dialing a simple code, Call Return automatically dials the telephone number of the last incoming call regardless of whether or not the call was answered.

Automatic Redial eliminates dialing busy numbers over and over. By dialing a simple code, Automatic Redial will continuously redial busy telephone numbers for up to 30 minutes. Call Tracing allows customers to take immediate action against annoyance callers. By dialing a simple code after receiving an annoyance call, information about that call is sent directly to Rochester Telephone and an investigation can begin.

Rates for Call Return and Automatic Redial are each $4 per month. Customers purchasing both features will receive a 15 percent discount on each feature.

Call Tracing will be made available on an "as needed" basis. The charge for each successful trace will be $1.50.

"This is the first phase of our program to provide inTeleFeatures throughout our six-county territory," said Terry Davenport, residence sales director. "We expect to be able to offer these services to the majority of our customers by the end of 1991." Customers will be officially informed when inTeleFeatures are available in their area by way of direct mail.

CONTACT: Diana Melville of Rochester Telephone, 716-777-1090

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#90269p8300 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Organogenesis Inc. (AMEX: ORG) today announced it has received the prestigious R & D 100 Award presented annually by Research and Development Magazine for outstanding new technical innovation. The award is for Testskin(TM), Organogenesis' new in vitro skin research and testing product, introduced in 1989.

Organogenesis Inc., based in Cambridge, Mass., is a biotechnology company which produces human tissue and organ equivalents intended to meet the research and testing needs of industry and for clinical use in replacing damaged or diseased tissues or organs.

Testskin, which is based on Organogenesis' patented Living Skin Equivalent(TM) technology, is used for research and testing of cosmetics, pharmaceuticals, chemicals and household products.

The R & D award is given to a broad array of technical products developed by major government and industrial laboratories. It recognizes the major advances in biological research and development on which Testskin is based and the tremendous potential the product has to improve skin research and testing.

Organogenesis Inc. introduced Testskin in the fall of 1989 and since then has been supplying it to dozens of major research laboratories in the cosmetic, pharmaceutical and chemical industries as well as to major academic and government research facilities. These laboratories are evaluating and using Testskin as a reproducible and readily available in vitro model of human skin with applications for the evaluation of skin irritants, the measurement of the absorption of substances through the skin and to evaluate the efficacy of new drugs or cosmetics.

CONTACT: Robert Frost of ECOM Consultants, 212-297-0133, for Organogenesis

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#90269p8301 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Dean Foods Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of The C.F. Sauer Company, unveiled its newest product today which is the nation's lowest saturated fat margarine, Canola Sunrise. Dean Foods Company is a leading producer of private and store brand margarines and spreads. After much research, the company saw the need for a nutritionally superior margarine product and decided to expand production to include this new margarine rich in canola oil.

"Market research shows that canola oil is increasingly popular with the health conscious consumer," says Bob Holden, Vice President of Dean Foods. "This all vegetable oil is lower in saturated fats than other oils such as olive, safflower, sunflower and corn oils. That's why Canola Sunrise, rich in canola oil, is healthier and our taste tests show that people prefer it to other margarines."

Canola Sunrise has half the saturated fats of other leading margarines such as Mazola, Promise, Fleischman's and Parkay. This is good news for Americans who enjoy margarine, but are concerned about their health and the risk of coronary heart disease. Many nutritionists and dieticians are already recommending canola oil products to their patients in an effort to reduce their saturated fat intake.

Beginning October 1, 1990, Canola Sunrise will be test marketed in Virginia's Richmond and Tidewater areas.

Dean Foods Company was purchased by The C.F. Sauer Company in 1965 and is located at 1595 Mary Street, Sandston, Virginia. The company is a certified Kosher facility which makes approximately 100 million pounds of margarine and spread annually. Dean Foods Company products are marketed throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Shannon Jackson or Garland Taylor, Taylor Weirup Advertising Agency 804-355-5757, for Dean Foods Company

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#90269p8304 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAHLEQUAH, OK (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - American Nursery Products Inc. (NASDAQ: ANSY) announced today operating results for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Consolidated net sales were $5,093,000 compared with $4,955,000 for the same period last year. For the quarter, the company reported a net loss of $983,000 or 26 cents per share compared with a net loss of $926,000 or 25 cents per share for the same quarter last year.

The company's interim results of operations reflect the seasonality of the nursery business as most shipments are made during the period February through May while operational costs are incurred throughout the year.

American Nursery Products Inc. is principally engaged in the business of growing trees, ornamental plants, and foliage plants for distribution on a wholesale basis.

The company is headquartered in Tahlequah, Okla. and owns and leases nursery farm properties and warehouse facilities in the states of Alabama, Florida, Iowa, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, and the Republic of Guatemala.

AMERICAN NURSERY PRODUCTS, INC.
Consolidated Condensed Statements of Operations

For The Three Months Ended August 31	1990	1989
Net Sales	$5,093,000	$4,955,000
Net loss	983,000	926,000
Net loss per share	$(.26)	$(.25)
Average number of shares outstanding	3,711,993	3,691,606

CONTACT: Jim Murphy of American Nursery Products Inc., (918) 456-0703.

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#90269p8305 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc. (NCT) (NASDAQ: NCTI) today announced the successful demonstration of an active

engine mount prototype developed under contract with Chrysler and a major European car manufacturer.

"Our active engine mount provides improvements in the areas of comfort, fuel economy and maintenance," said Michael J. Parrella, NCT president. "And, as with our muffler technology, provides us with the opportunity to address the multi-billion dollar automotive and truck markets by solving some very real problems."

The active engine mount electronically cancels engine vibration by effectively decoupling engine vibration from the automobile chassis, preventing repetitive vibration from passing through the engine mount to the passenger compartment. Automobile passengers are isolated from vibration and will enjoy significantly improved driving comfort.

In recent tests conducted on four cylinder engines from Chrysler and a major European car manufacturer, NCT achieved a level of vibration reduction far beyond the initial target of 20 dB. In fact, NCT reduced second-order vibration by 22-43 dB from idle to 5,000 RPM.

"NCT's active mount impressed us all by far outreaching the level of vibration reduction that any of us expected," said Christopher A. Wolfe, product engineer for Jeep/Truck Engineering at Chrysler. "At the beginning of this project we had no idea the results would be so dramatic."

Auto manufacturers have traditionally tried to quiet engine-born vibration through the use of mechanical countervibration shafts placed within the engine. These systems are moderately effective and are expensive. In addition, current-generation automobiles use heavy weights incorporated into the chassis to dampen engine vibration which can result in increased fuel consumption due to the additional weight.

The lightweight active engine mount replaces the countervibration shafts and heavy weights traditionally used to reduce vibration in automobiles. The lessening of the automobile's overall weight can contribute to increased fuel economy.

Additionally, the active engine mount reduces cabin noise by lessening structurally borne vibration that resonates in the cabin of the vehicle. Moreover, the implementation of the active mount results in less vibration-induced wear on the automobile frame.

Dr. Thomas O'Grady, president of Integrated Automotive Resources, and a leading industry analyst adds: "As a result of intensified competition in the automotive market, passenger comfort is at the forefront of auto manufacturer features and an increasingly important consumer priority. Vibration deteriorates passenger comfort and hence has also become an industry issue. Any technology that reduces vibration is on the right track."

Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc. is a world leader in active noise and vibration abatement. The company owns worldwide patents for the process and application of active noise and vibration cancellation to a variety of industries. NCT is headquartered in New York City with domestic research and development facilities in Linthicum, Md., and an overseas facility in Cambridge, U.K.

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#90269p8307 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEXINGTON, MA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Raytheon Company's (NYSE: RTN) board of directors today elected C. Dale Reis and Edmund B. Woollen as vice presidents of the $8.8 billion diversified technology company.

As previously announced, Reis will become the general manager of Raytheon's Submarine Signal Division, based in Portsmouth, R.I., on Oct. 1. Reis, 45, has been manager of Raytheon's Equipment Development Laboratories in Marlborough, Mass., for the past two years.

Woollen will direct the company's corporate marketing operation from its Lexington headquarters, effective Oct. 1. He succeeds Senior Vice President Philip A. Phalon who is retiring at the end of this month. Woollen, 45, has been director of marketing for Raytheon's government group since August 1986.

Reis joined Raytheon in 1967, after receiving a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Grove City College. He earned a master's degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1970.

He has held increasingly important positions within the company's Equipment Division for 23 years. He served as program manager for Cobra Dane, a large phased array radar system in Alaska and as the director of data acquisition systems, where he was responsible for several large radar systems that perform intelligence, early warning and spacetrack functions.

Reis is married to the former Katherine G. McCarthy of Framingham and Brighton Mass. They currently reside in Portsmouth, R.I.

Woollen joined Raytheon in 1979, after service as a U.S. Navy officer, an engineering assignment with Hughes Aircraft in Canoga Park, Calif., and a marketing position with OTI in Burbank, Calif.

From 1979 to 1981, he marketed electronic warfare systems in the U.S. and internationally for the company's division in Santa Barbara, Calif. He then

spent five years as a vice president of Raytheon Overseas Limited, operating from the company's office in Brussels, where he was responsible for marketing activities in various NATO and Middle Eastern countries.

Woollen is a native of Rocky Mount, N.C. He graduated with a bachelor of science degree in geophysical oceanography from the University of Washington in 1967. He is married to the former Marie Thompson of Maxton, N.C., and they reside in Windham, N.H.

Raytheon Company is active in electronics, aviation, appliances, industry and environmental services, construction and publishing. It has more than 76,700 employees worldwide.

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#90269p8310 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Topps Company Inc. (NASDAQ: TOPPC) today declared a quarterly dividend of 5 cents per share payable Nov. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 18.

CONTACT: John Perillo, vice president and controller of The Topps Company, 718-768-8900, ext. 465.

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#90269p8312 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CUPERTINO, CALIF. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Grace Ventures Corp. and Horn Venture Partners, the managing partner of Grace Ventures Partnership II, announced today that the partnership has invested $500,000 in ELF Technologies Inc., of Foster City, Calif. ELF Technologies was founded by Ray Noel, Dr. Gary Geschwind and Dr. Leo Svendsen in order to commercialize a xerographic process to manufacture flexible circuits.

ELF has invented a plateable toner, similar to photocopier toner, that enables the printing of flexible circuit patterns directly on polymer films by electrostatic techniques such as xerography or laser printing.

Flexible circuits are electronic circuit patterns that are produced on flexible substrates such as polyester or polyimide film. They are used in electronic devices where, because of size, weight, motion or shape/configuration, rigid boards cannot be used. Flexible circuits today are found in a variety of electronic applications including automobiles, cameras, computers and printers.

Noel, president of ELF Technologies, stated, "ELF Technologies' proprietary process is a breakthrough in manufacturing flexible circuits. Using our

patented xerographic process, we can manufacture flexible circuits at competitive prices. Prototype and quick delivery capabilities are intrinsic in the system since we do not use photo-masks or chemical etchents to make our circuits."

Dr. Christian F. Horn, president of Grace Ventures Corp. and managing partner of Horn Venture Partners, commented, "ELF Technologies addresses a billion dollar market which is growing at 12 percent per year. ELF's ability to manufacture flexible circuits of virtually unlimited length should expand the market. Flexible circuits are expected to replace wire harnesses in many applications."

Grace Ventures Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of W. R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA), and Horn Venture Partners, a partnership of the officers of Grace Ventures, manage 48 high technology, emerging growth company investments through three venture capital funds, including Grace Ventures Partnerships I and II.

CONTACT: Jim Swords, 212-819-6000, for Grace Ventures and Horn Venture Partners

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#90269p8313 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEXINGTON, MA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Raytheon Company's (NYSE: RTN) board of directors today voted a regular quarterly dividend of 60 cents per share payable Oct. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: Larry McCracken of Raytheon, 617-860-2431.

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#90269p8314 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

GUILDERLAND, NY (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermagnetics General Corporation (NASDAQ: INMA) today announced the successful test and exceptional performance of a high-field superconductive model magnet.

The test magnet achieved its operating design performance of 20.4 Tesla at 1.8 Kelvin in a background field provided by the high field test facility (HFTF) at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL).

The three-section 40 mm bore magnet was designed and constructed at IGC in Guilderland. New York, using a novel internal-tin processed niobium-tin (Nb3Sn) wire manufactured at its IGC Advanced Superconductors Inc. subsidiary located in Waterbury, Conn.

The performance test was part of a joint feasibility study project between IGC and the Superconducting Magnet Development Group at LLNL for a 900 MHz

spectrometer for Carnegie-Mellon University, supported by a grant from the National Institute of Health.

The magnet reached short sample current without any "training" quenches. The test demonstrates the combined advanced technology of IGC in both Nb3Sn conductor and magnet technology. The test also demonstrated the reliable performance of the low temperature refrigerator designed and fabricated under this program by LLNL.

A number of individuals in the organizations listed above were involved in making this project a complete success, thereby confirming the viability of 900 MHz spectrometers, and a range of commercial high field magnets for research in biology, chemistry and medicine.

IGC is a leading manufacturer of superconducting wire, and superconducting magnet systems, especially those used in MRI medical diagnostic imaging systems. The company also produces cryogenic equipment, permanent magnet systems and material separation devices.

CONTACT: Carl H. Rosner, president of Intermagnetics General, (518) 456-5456.

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#90269p8315 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEDHAM, MA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Bird Corporation (NASDAQ: BIRD), one of the nation's ten oldest continually operating companies, yesterday declared a dividend of 20 cents per common share for the year 1990 to stockholders of record on Sept. 30, 1990. The dividend will be paid of Oct. 15, 1990.

Bird's last common dividend payment was made in 1982. During the intervening years the company has materially restructured its operations, focusing on improving the profitability of its core business units and gradually divesting operations whose long-term profit potential was not consistent with its growth and return objectives.

On a smaller revenue base, the company is poised to enjoy one of its best years in earnings from continuing operations in 1990 and enjoys a virtually debt-free balance sheet.

Bird's first half results reflected a more than a two-and-one-half million dollar increase in operating earnings. Despite the current vissitudes of the housing sector, its principal end market, Bird's continued year-to-year improvement is expected for the balance of 1990.

In making the announcement, George J. Haufler, Bird's chairman and chief executive officer, noted that, "It was the unanimous decision of our board of directors to reward the shareholders for their enthusiastic support during the period of restructuring. It is also a clear indication of the board's

confidence in Bird's enhanced earnings capability despite the difficult industry operating conditions in which we currently find ourselves."

Bird Corporation is a U.S.-based manufacturer and distributor of building materials products and a provider of environmental services.

CONTACT: William A. Krivsky, executive vice president and chief financial officer of Bird Corporation, (617) 461-1414.

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#90269p8319 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS, MO. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Contracts valued at $8.6 million have been awarded to LaBarge Electronics, a company of LaBarge, Inc. (AMEX: LB), for the production of cables and electronic assemblies to be used in the U.S. Army's Bradley Fighting Vehicle. The announcement was made today by Craig E. LaBarge, president and chief operating officer of LaBarge, Inc. The contracts were awarded by FMC Corporation's Ground Systems Division.

Under the four-year contracts, LaBarge will produce quantities of seventeen different cable assemblies and various electronic assemblies, including instrument panels and fan controllers for the Bradley Fighting Vehicle. The vehicle is an armored personnel carrier designed to transport and defend infantry soldiers on the batterfield.

The assemblies will be produced at LaBarge Electronics' manufacturing facilities in Joplin, Mo., and Huntsville and Berryville, Ark. Initial shipments are expected to begin in the first quarter of 1991. LaBarge has been building products in support of the Bradley program since 1980.

CONTACT: Colleen P. Clements of LaBarge, 314-231-5960

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#90269p8323 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW BRITAIN, CONN. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Moore Medical Corp. (AMEX: MMD), announced that Mark E. Karp, president of the company since February 1989, will become chief executive officer, effective Jan. 1, 1991, and continue as chief operating officer. Jerald K. Rome will continue as chairman of the board and chief executive officer through Dec. 31, 1990. Rome will also continue as director.

CONTACT: John A. Murray of Moore Medical Corp., 203-826-3677

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#90269p8324 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Days Inns today announced it has signed a

unique co-marketing agreement with AT&T to market AT&T long-distance service to its more than 1,100 Days Inn properties nationwide.

Under terms of the exclusive co-marketing agreement, Days will actively solicit new and existing Days Inn franchisees to offer AT&T long-distance service to their guests. Letters of endorsement will be sent to all franchisees, and the AT&T logo will appear in a future Days Inn directory denoting those Inns offering AT&T long-distance service.

Days also renews a three-year contract with AT&T to provide 0-plus long-distance service to room phones and public payphones at all Days Inn properties. AT&T currently provides long-distance service for public telephones at 13 of the 15 largest hotel and motel chains in the country.

Days Inns was also the world's first corporation to employ AT&T's Look Ahead Interflow, and the first hotel chain to utilize AT&T's Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN), electronic services making it easier for travelers to make reservations quickly at any of its 1,100 properties currently open worldwide.

Days Inns of America Inc., with its Days brand inns, hotels, suites and Daystops, is the third-largest hotel brand in the world and the fastest growing in the moderate-price segment of the market. An international lodging operator and franchisor, the chain has more than 1,600 hotels open and under development in 50 states, Canada, Mexico, Europe, the Pacific Rim and India.

CONTACT: Carol Bivins of Days Inns, 404-728-4451, or Bill Blair of AT&T, 404-873-7241

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#90269p8331 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELVILLE, NY (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Genovese Drug Stores, Inc. (AMEX: GDX.A) today announced the appointments of Phillip Silverman and David C. Reynolds as vice-presidents of the company.

Silverman, who has recently joined Genovese as the director of distribution, is responsible for the operation of the company's 265,000 square-foot distribution center. Prior to joining Genovese, Silverman was associated with Deloitte and Touche, where he was a management consultant in the area of retail and wholesale distribution. His previous experience includes 22 years with Allied Stores as corporate director of operations and manager of distribution and customer services. Silverman was a member of the Grace Commission which provided cost reduction recommendations to the Federal Government. A graduate engineer of New York University, Silverman also did graduate studies in industrial management.

Reynolds joined Genovese in December of 1988 as director of merchandising of

all photofinishing products. In July of 1989, he was appointed general manager of Genovese's Living Color Photofinishing division. Reynolds is a veteran of the wholesale photofinishing industry, having served as vice president-operations at Bicknell Photo Service and prior to that, as vice president/regional general manager of Guardian Photo.

Genovese Drug Stores, Inc. is a chain of 93 super drug stores located primarily in the metropolitan New York area. Genovese recently announced record sales results for the first half of the fiscal year ending Aug. 17, 1990. The company also announced an earnings increase of 22 percent for the same period.

CONTACT: Donald W. Gross, vice president and corporate secretary of Genovese
516-420-1900

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#90269p8336 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - First Capital Holdings Corp. (NYSE: FCH) today announced that its board of directors had authorized the purchase of up to $20 million principal amount of the company's 13 percent Senior Subordinated Debentures due 1999 subject to market conditions. There are $120 million of these debentures currently outstanding.

"The board feels that both the publicly traded debt and common stock of First Capital Holdings are significantly undervalued and has elected to purchase subordinated debt to take advantage of the opportunity presented by the market discount," said Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Robert I. Weingarten.

First Capital Holdings Corp. is a Los Angeles-based financial services holding company. Its principal subsidiaries are First Capital Life Insurance Co., based in San Diego, Fidelity Bankers Life Insurance Co., located in Richmond, Va., and World-Wide Reassurance Co. Ltd., an international life reinsurer in Windsor, England.

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#90269p8337 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Only an average of 15 percent of an incandescent light bulb's energy is utilized in producing visible light -- certainly not the most efficient use of electricity and an ever-growing challenge for GE engineers.

A surprising 75 percent (A) of a bulb's output is infrared energy which is invisible to the naked eye, and therefore wasted, according to Dr. Frederic Ahlgren, manager-Advanced Lamp Technology at GE Lighting's Nela Park facility

in Cleveland. "Infrared energy is what makes a light bulb hot to the touch," he explained. "We've now learned to turn more of that heat into light."

Ahlgren and a team of 50 scientists and engineers have been trying to harness the wasted infrared energy from incandescent halogen lamps for several years, and were successful in 1989. They have refined a new lamp design that "recycles" some of that infrared energy, resulting in significant energy savings and more visible, useful light.

The new lamp, called Halogen-IR(TM), achieves up to a 60 percent energy savings over conventional incandescent lamps. A 60-watt Halogen-IR PAR (B) lamp produces the same visible, useful light as a standard 150-watt PAR lamp. And by "recycling" the infrared energy or heat, a Halogen-IR lamp is 1/3 cooler than a standard halogen PAR lamp -- allowing perishable items -- and people -- to stay cooler under these lamps.

What recycles this infrared energy is a unique, breakthrough process that coats a quartz halogen filament tube with a filter that reflects infrared energy back onto the filament, causing it to burn hotter and produce more light.

Another technological breakthrough in the Halogen-IR process is the shape of the inner quartz filament tube -- its precise elliptical shape allows infrared energy to be reflected directly back on the filament rather than "bouncing" around unfocused and wasting the recycled infrared energy.

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#90269p8339 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

(SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Citibank will sponsor the fifth annual benefit gala for Georgetown University Medical Center's Vincent T. Lombardi Cancer Research Center, Friday evening, Oct. 5, at the J.W. Marriott Hotel, 1331 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington.

The dinner-dance is the highlight of the center's annual fund-raising campaign to benefit cancer patients in the metropolitan area. Washington has the highest incidence of cancer of any city in the United States, making this center especially important to the area's residents.

For nearly two decades, the Lombardi Cancer Research Center has provided cancer treatment for thousands of cancer patients in the District of Columbia, and pioneered innovative research into the mysteries of the nation's most feared disease. The center was named after coach Lombardi who was treated for cancer in 1970 at what was then the cancer wing of Georgetown University Hospital. This year marks the twentieth anniversary of his death.

The evening's events will include both silent and live auctions, a cocktail reception, and a black-tie dinner and dance culminating with the presentation of the annual "Symbol of Courage" award. The recipient of the Vincent T. Lombardi Symbol of Courage award is always someone who is active in sports, has suffered cancer, and exhibits the fine qualities for which Vince Lombardi was known.

The annual gala event has raised more than one million dollars since it was first held. Last year's ball, also sponsored by Citibank, raised $450,000. The proceedings of the gala are donated in their entirety to the Lombardi center as an unrestricted grant.

Margaret C. Hodges, chairman of the Vincent T. Lombardi fund raising gala, and her co-chairman, Charles E. Long, executive vice president and corporate secretary of Citicorp, will preside over the event. They are both available for interviews and talk-show appearances.

CONTACT: Nancy Keever or Rafael Flores of the Hannaford Company Inc., 202-638-4600, for Citibank.

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#90269p8341 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Burson-Marsteller, the international consulting and communications company, announced today new assignments for three senior officers.

Andrew Cooper, general manager of Burson-Marsteller/New York, becomes corporate executive vice president, operations, and will be responsible for instituting the firm's recently developed strategic plan for the future.

James E. Murphy, vice chairman, corporate practice, becomes chairman and chief executive officer of Burson-Marsteller/New York. William F. Noonan, president, Burson-Marsteller/International, becomes president and chief operating officer of Burson-Marsteller/New York. James H. Dowling, Burson-Marsteller's president and chief executive officer, announced the changes.

"Burson-Marsteller's management team has developed an ambitious plan for the future and recommended that a senior executive be freed to oversee its development," Dowling said. "I am delighted that Andy Cooper, who is both a superior manager and outstanding communicator, has agreed to take on this vital task."

Cooper is a 15-year veteran of Burson-Marsteller, having worked in both Chicago and New York. He has been head of the New York creative services unit and general manager of the New York office. In his new role he will report to Dowling.

Murphy was a senior communications officer at Owens-Corning, Beatrice Foods and Merrill Lynch before joining Burson-Marsteller four years ago as head of its corporate practice.

Noonan has been at Burson-Marsteller for 28 years. He was general manager of the New York office during the late 1970s and early 1980s when the office grew to become the largest operation in the public relations industry.

He has run the firm's London office and headed its network of overseas offices. He is also the chairman of Dentsu Burson-Marsteller, the joint venture between Dentsu in Japan and Burson-Marsteller. The New York office reports to Thomas J. Mosser, president of Burson-Marsteller's North and South American operations.

"The importance of our New York office is self-evident," Mosser noted. "With income in excess of $50 million, it ranks as the largest office in the public relations agency world. It is almost half of our U.S. income and more than a quarter of our worldwide income. Entities this large should have both a CEO and COO to adequately cover our needs for a market, client, and product orientation as well as strong internal management."

CONTACT: Bob Hope of Burson-Marsteller, (212) 614-4412.

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#90269p8349 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

STURBRIDGE, MA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - SpecTran Corporation (NASDAQ: SPTR) today announced an appeal of the court approved settlement of the class action suit that had been filed against various defendants, including the company, in October 1986.

In April of this year, the company reported a tentative settlement with counsel for the plaintiffs and the court approved the settlement in its entirety as being fair and reasonable on Aug. 14, 1990, subject to the normal 30-day appeal period.

Three individuals, including two of the named plaintiffs in the class action suit, have since appealed the settlement without legal representation. Counsel for the plaintiff class, as well as counsel for the defendants, including the company, all believe that the appeal is without merit and will vigorously attempt to convince the Appellate Court to dismiss it.

In addition, the company is aggressively reviewing its options with regard to recovering any damages resulting from the appeal, including taking action against the three individuals.

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BEVERLY, MASS. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Amicon Division of W.R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA), Beverly, announced today that its Irish subsidiary has received a significant order from U.S.-China Industrial Exchange, Inc. for delivery of hollow fiber membranes to the People's Republic of China.

The hollow fibers are components of hemofilters which will be manufactured in China. Hemofilters serve in the intensive care of patients suffering from fluid accumulation due to temporary failure of the kidneys resulting from shock, surgery and other causes. They may also be used to reduce excess blood fluids in open heart surgery. Used externally, hemofilters are temporarily connected to an artery and vein and act similarly to the natural kidneys which are given the opportunity to regain their natural function.

Hemofilters -- one of Amicon's many molecular separation products -- are produced at a facility in Limerick, Ireland, for use in many countries. The arrangement with the People's Republic of China is unique in that it represents a cooperative arrangement in which the final product is manufactured by the customer.

According to Kenneth J. Patti, Amicon's director of medical products marketing this opens for the company an important secondary market which is expected to continue and, in time, to expand. "We are working closely with the customer in China," said Patti, "sharing our know-how in the assembly of reliable hemofilters and in the clinical application of these devices."

CONTACT: Chris Tofalli of W.R. Grace, 212-819-6000

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COSTA MESA, Calif. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Irvine Sensors Corp. announced that it has been selected to organize and chair the session on High Density Packaging and Interconnect Technology at November's WESCON meeting in Anaheim. WESCON is the nation's oldest and largest exhibition and conference for electronics engineers and managers.

Microelectronics packaging and interconnect technologies are critical to the design of the next generation of computer systems. Significant improvements are needed to meet the desired performance and density characteristics of supercomputers, mainframes, workstations, and various strategic and tactical military systems. The WESCON session will describe the state-of-the-art that addresses these needs by bringing together the nation's leaders in Multichip Modules, High Density Interconnects, and Three-Dimensional Integrated Circuit Packaging. Presentations are scheduled by IBM, General Electric, Texas Instruments, N-Chip and Irvine Sensors.

Irvine Sensors' role in the conference stems from its decade of experience in developing ultra-high density electronics modules for both infrared focal planes and computer applications. The firm has pioneered a three-dimensional process for stacking microcircuits into devices about the size of sugar cubes with interconnections on one or more faces of the cube. Government sources indicate that this approach is the highest-density electronics packaging technology known to be under development in the world.

Specific papers to be presented in the WESCON session include:

COMPANY	PRESENTER	TITLE
Irvine Sensors	John Carson	Overview of Advanced Packaging and Interconnect
IBM	Dave Meyers	High Density Multichip Module
N-Chip	Kamran Malik	High-Performance Silicon and Silicon Multichip Modules
General Electric	Raymond Fillon	GE High Density Interconnect Multichip Module Technology
Texas Instrument	Mark Kressley	Overview of Three-Dimensional Packaging
Irvine Sensors	Stuart Shanken	3-Dimensional Integrated Circuit Packaging

The "High Density Packaging and Interconnect" session will be held from 12 noon to 2 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 15, at the Anaheim Convention Center. More information about this session may be obtained through its coordinator, Myles F. Suer, at 714-549-8211. General Session information can be obtained through WESCON organizers at 800-877-2668, ext. 219.

Irvine Sensors, headquartered in Costa Mesa, is primarily engaged in the development of infrared devices and high density packages of computer electronics which will have broad applications in military and commercial systems.

CONTACT: John Stuart of Irvine Sensors, 714-549-8211.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Manufacturers Hanover today announced that Magna L. Dodge, executive vice president, has been named officer-in-charge of the loan syndications and sales group, responsible for the bank's distribution of loans to investors worldwide. She replaces Michael P. Zarrilli, who has been named managing director of corporate finance for the bank's parent

company, Manufacturers Hanover Corporation (NYSE: MHC).

Dodge was most recently head of the Media Group, a unit of the bank's Merchant Banking Group. Joan Fitzgibbon, senior vice president, and Cecily Stone, who was promoted to senior vice president, will jointly assume leadership of the Media Group.

In his new position, Zarrilli will have responsibilities in corporate finance, asset/liability management and financial strategies at the holding company level. He will report directly to Peter J. Tobin, executive vice president and chief financial officer.

CONTACT: John Meyers of Manufacturers Hanover, 212-270-7454

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#90269p8363 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, Alberta (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - A wholly owned subsidiary of Gulf Canada Resources Limited, (Toronto: GOU) Asamera (Overseas) Limited, has announced a significant gas discovery in the Corridor Production Sharing Contract area in South Sumatra, Indonesia.

The Gelam-1 wildcat well, located 22 miles north of Asamera's Bentayan oil field, encountered 210 feet of net gas/condensate pay. The productive interval was within the Talang Akar formation sandstones at a depth of 5,482 feet.

A 30-foot perforated interval at a depth of 5,555 feet flowed 13.4 million cubic feet of gas and 61 barrels of condensate per day through a 36/64-inch choke on a 6 per cent drawdown; flowing tubing head pressure was 1,550 psi; flowing bottom hole pressure measured 2,398 psi. The cumulative flow rate of the tested intervals was 24.8 million cubic feet of gas per day.

Additional drilling is planned to delineate the vertical and areal extent of the Gelam discovery and to determine if a downdip oil accumulation is present.

Asamera (Overseas) Limited is operator and holds a 54 per cent interest in the Corridor Block. Asamera's partners, Bow Valley Industries and Pertamina, have interests of 36 per cent and 10 per cent, respectively.

CONTACT: Craig Langpap of Gulf Canada Resouces Limited, (investors) 403-233-4341.

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#90269p8367 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Consul Restaurant Corporation (NASDAQ: CNSL), the nation's largest franchisee of Chi-Chi's Mexican restaurants, today reported financial results for the three months ended Aug. 31.

Revenues in the first quarter totaled $24.5 million, up four percent from $23.6 million a year ago. Net income totaled $115,000, or one cent per share, compared with $776,000, or six cents per share, in the first quarter last year.

"Overall, the first quarter was disappointing," said James H. Crivits, chairman and chief executive officer. "Our business was adversely affected by weaker economies in both the U.S. and Canada and by intense competition in some of our key markets. As a result, first-quarter sales were below our expectations, and expenses as a percent of revenues were higher. However, the previously announced actions taken in the last 30 days to reduce administrative costs should produce improvements in succeeding quarters."

Consul operates 39 full-service Chi-Chi's family-style restaurants, nine Chi-Chi's el Pronto! quick-service units and one Magnolia's seafood dinner house. They are located in six states and six provinces. The company also provides contract foodservice management through its Foodservice Division.

CONSUL RESTAURANT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited)

First Quarter Ended	8/31/90	8/31/89
Revenues	$24,497,000	$23,636,000
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of food and beverage	6,900,000	6,569,000
Restaurant operating expenses	15,003,000	14,103,000
Corporate expenses	1,390,000	1,104,000
Franchise royalties	570,000	587,000
Interest, net	474,000	468,000
Total costs and expenses	24,337,000	22,831,000
Income before income taxes	160,000	805,000
Provision for income taxes	45,000	29,000
Net income	$115,000	$776,000
Net earnings per share	$.01	$.06
Weighted average common shares outstanding	14,112,000	13,382,000

CONTACT: Robert A. Lamp of Consul Restaurant Corporation, (612) 851-3333; or John Beardsley of Padilla Speer Beardsley Inc., (612) 871-8877, or in New York (212) 752-8338, for Consul.

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#90269p8371 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - American Capital Management & Research (NYSE: ACA) has today announced the recent introduction of the newest member of the American Capital Family of Funds - American Capital Government Target Series Portfolio '97 (Target Series).

Target Series is a bond fund which seeks wealth accumulation consistent with safety of capital and liquidity. The fund has a seven- year defined life and will liquidate on Dec. 16, 1997. It invests primarily in securities issued by the U.S. government, its agencies and instrumentalities. These securities include treasury obligations, zero coupon bonds and mortgage-related securities. The fund also offers an active management strategy designed to ensure that market fluctuations will have less and less impact on the portfolio as the fund nears maturity in 1997.

"The appeal of this kind of conservative bond fund is heightened in these times of unsettled world events," said Don Powell, chairman of American Capital Management & Research, Inc. "It clearly has a place in our fund family which offers investment products for many different kinds of investment needs."

American Capital Government Target Series Portfolio '97 is being offered to the investing public during a limited initial offering period which ends no later than Dec. 17, 1990. Prospectuses and brochures containing more complete information including all charges and expenses are available through investment representatives across the nation or by calling American Capital at 1-800-421-5666. Investors should read the prospectus carefully before they invest or send money.

American Capital Management & Research is a Houston-based investment management and marketing firm which provides investment advisory services to 34 mutual funds and closed-end investment companies.

CONTACT: Sheila Horn of American Capital, 713-993-4111.

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#90269p8374 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA, (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - CIGNA Corp. (NYSE: CI) announced today that David W. Johnson, president and chief executive officer of Campbell Soup Co. (NYSE: CPB), has been elected to the CIGNA board of directors.

Wilson H. Taylor, chairman and chief executive officer of CIGNA, said, "The experience and leadership of our board will be enhanced by David Johnson's strong global perspective and extensive marketing expertise."

Johnson, 58, has served as a top executive of multinational companies on four continents. Prior to joining Campbell Soup in December 1989, he was chairman and CEO of Gerber Products Co. and president and CEO of Entenmann's Inc. During his tenure at Gerber, earnings grew at a more than 50 percent annual rate.

Johnson began his career with Colgate-Palmolive Co. in Australia and advanced to chairman and managing director of Colgate Palmolive South Africa. He then

became president of Warner Lambert/Parke Davis Asia, and subsequently served as president of a number of the company's divisions in the United States.

Johnson received a bachelor of economics degree from the University of Sydney and an M.B.A. from the University of Chicago.

The CIGNA companies provide insurance, health care, employee benefits, pension and investment management, and related financial services to businesses and individuals worldwide.

CONTACT: Gloria McNutt of CIGNA, 215-523-3671

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#90269p8377 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - On Sept. 27, Esprit De Corp. is opening a discount outlet store at the Desert Hills Factory Stores Mall in Cabazon, 30 miles west of Palm Springs, Calif.

The outlet's 10,000 square foot selling floor will carry first quality, past season merchandise from Esprit Collection, Sport, Sportiv, Jeanswear, Kids, Footwear and Accessories lines at 30 percent to 70 percent off regular price.

Lisa Engler, Esprit's Retail President said, "We've had great success with our current off price store locations. We plan to continue developing and expanding our off price business in addition to moving forward with full price stores."

The Desert Hills location is the fourth Esprit Outlet store in the United States, with stores currently open in San Francisco, Dallas and New Orleans. The Desert Hills Outlet was designed by Esprit's in-house architecture team. While maintaining the supermarket style consistent with the company's original outlet in San Francisco, Desert Hills was designed with a flexible lighting and fixturing system to easily accommodate change within the store's clean, open space. Simple industrial materials were chosen for their durability, including concrete, galvanized sheet metal and aluminum diamond plate.

Esprit De Corp. is a privately held company owned by Susie Tompkins and an investor group, with headquarters in San Francisco.

CONTACT: Celeste Alleyne, Cassie Hughes, or Danny Kraus, all of Esprit De Corp., 415-648-6900

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#90269p8379 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILSON, NC (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Ery W. Kehaya, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Standard Commercial Corporation (NYSE: STW), has

announced plans to relinquish his responsibilities as Chief Executive Officer of the company effective January 1, 1991.

Mr. Kehaya, age 67 and a major stockholder of Standard Commercial, will remain as Chairman of the Board of Directors while turning over more of the day-to-day responsibilties for the business to others.

J. Alec G. Murray, age 54, will become Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Standard Commercial on January 1, 1991. Mr. Murray is based in the company's U.K. office in Godalming, Surrey, and currently serves as Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Chairman of the company's Wool Division.

Marvin W. Coghill, age 57, will remain as President and Chief Operating Officer of the company and Chairman of its Tobacco Division. Mr. Coghill has 33 years experience in the leaf dealer business and is based in Wilson, North Carolina.

Also effective Janauary 1, 1991, Anthony A.D. Arrowsmith, Senior Vice President, age 41, will become Chief Financial Officer of Standard Commercial; and J. Anthony Johnston, age 55, will become Managing Director of the company's Wool Division. Henry R. Grunzke, age 58, will continue in his capacity as Commercial Director of the Wool Division.

Mr. Murray is a British citizen born in Zambia (formerly Northern Rhodesia). He attended public schools in England and Scotland and performed national service in Berlin, Germany with the 1st Battalion of The Black Watch. After becoming a Chartered Accountant, Mr. Murray joined the General Electric Company (U.K.) in 1963 and served in Nigeria and London until 1969.

Mr. Murray was employed by Standard Commercial in 1969 as Chief Accountant. He became Chief Financial Officer of the company in 1970, a Vice President in 1977, and Executive Vice president in 1981. He was appointed Chairman of the company's Wool Division when it was created in 1985.

Standard Commercial is one of the world's largest leaf tobacco dealers and among the top international wool trading companies. It operates in virtually every tobacco and wool producing nation and sells worldwide to tobacco manufacturers and various wool users. Standard also owns small companies engaged in the landscape nursery and building supply businesses.

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#90269p8381 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Centocor Inc. (NASDAQ: CNTO) today announced that Michael A. Wall, chairman emeritus of the company, has been

re-elected to the board of directors following a hiatus of several years.

Wall, a principal founder of Centocor, served as chairman of the board from 1979 to 1987.

"While we have always had the benefit of Michael's business and technical insight on a daily basis, we are very pleased to see him return to the board," said Hubert J.P. Schoemaker, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Centocor. "His unique abilities in new product identification are critical to Centocor's long-term growth," Schoemaker added.

Centocor Inc., based in Malvern, develops, manufactures and markets diagnostic and pharmaceutical products for human health care. The company's products are based on monoclonal antibody technology and are primarily intended for use in the management of patients with infectious, cardiovascular and autoimmune disease and cancer.

CONTACT: Thomas Pearson, 215-648-3975, or Charles C. Cabot III, 215-889-4456, both of Centocor

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#90269p8385 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal Corp. (NYSE: UCL) and San Diego Gas & Electric (NYSE: SDO) today announced a joint demonstration project to make compressed natural gas (CNG) available at a service station.

The first-of-its-kind fueling facility in California will be installed at an existing San Diego-area Unocal 76 service station in early 1991. The project will provide experience in marketing CNG as an alternative motor fuel.

SDG&E will provide the engineering, on-going maintenance and customer billing. Unocal will provide the site and operate the facility through a dealer. SDG&E and Unocal will split the estimated start-up costs of between $200,000 and $250,000.

Previous CNG refueling stations have been mostly for utility or fleet-owner use. SDG&E currently has two stations for its own fleet use and for the use by local fleet operators. The Unocal/SDG&E project will be the first joint oil company and utility facility in California.

Richard J. Stegemeier, chairman, president and chief executive officer for Unocal, said, "From an economic and environmental point of view, natural gas represents an extremely viable alternative fuel for vehicles, and a cost effective approach to help alleviate air quality problems."

Stegemeier also explained that there are already more than 30,000 CNG-powered vehicles in the United States. Most of these vehicles -- used by fleet

operators or utilities -- have been converted to operate on either CNG or gasoline.

For its part, SDG&E sees the Unocal/SDG&E project as another step in its five-year effort to make natural gas a viable vehicle fuel.

SDG&E is currently seeking approval of an expanded development plan for CNG as a vehicle fuel from the California Public Utilities Commission. Until CNG rates are approved, the cost of CNG can only be estimated at about 40 to 50 percent less than the current prices of other fuels on an equivalent basis.

Natural gas vehicles produce 50 percent less ozone-forming pollutants and 90 percent less carbon monoxide than gasoline and other fuels. Future vehicles with engines dedicated to CNG fuel may prove even cleaner than the current dual-fuel vehicles.

CNG offers additional safety features. CNG storage cylinders are built to more rigorous standards than gasoline tanks. CNG is lighter than air, so it rapidly disperses if released, instead of pooling on the ground.

The joint project is one of several efforts each company is making to solve vehicle-related environmental concerns.

CONTACT: Barry Lane of Unocal, 213-977-7601, or Fred Vaughn of SDG&E, 619-696-4308

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#90269p8390 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Southnet Corp. announced today, the establishment of Southnet-Europe Ltd., a United Kingdom-based subisidary of the firm.

The company has opened its European operational headquarters in London. In a statement from Robert J. Zradicka, chairman of Southnet, he said: "This marks Southnet's formal entrance into the global telecommunications marketplace. We believe that with products like our new WORLD CARD, we are positioned to play a major role in the international information providers arena.
Southnet-Europe will give us a local presence with our European distributors and customers, and provide a platform for our future expansion operationally into that area of the world."

Southnet Corp., headquartered in Tampa, Fla., provides long distance voice, data and facsimile services and operator services to hotels, hospitals and general commercial customers. The company has operational offices in Tampa, New York and London.

Southnet is a publicly traded company on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange and

the OTC market.

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#90269p8393 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAKLAND, CA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp., a subsidiary of MAXXAM Inc. (AMEX: MXM), today declared regular quarterly dividends on the company's preference stocks.

The dividends, payable Dec. 1, 1990, to shareowners of record Nov. 9, 1990, were declared as follows:

-- $1.03-1/8 per share on the 4-1/8 percent cumulative convertible preference stock;
-- $1.18-3/4 per share on the 4-3/4 percent cumulative convertible (1957 series) preference stock;
-- $1.18-3/4 per share on the 4-3/4 percent cumulative convertible (1959 series) preference stock;
-- $1.18-3/4 per share on the 4-3/4 percent cumulative convertible (1966 series) preference stock;
-- $1.25 per share on the cumulative (1985 Series A) preference stock as to those shares which are held outside the company's employee stock ownership plans; and
-- $1.25 per share on the cumulative (1985 Series B) preference stock as to those shares which are held outside the company's employee stock ownership plans.

In addition to Kaiser Aluminum, MAXXAM also has subsidiaries engaged in forest products and real estate management and development operations.

CONTACT: Elizabeth M. Simon of Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp., 415-271-3313

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#90269p8399 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First of Michigan Capital Corporation (Midwest: FMG) today declared a dividend of 50 cents per share of common stock, payable Oct. 24, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: John G. Martin of First of Michigan Capital Corporation, 313-259-2600; or Donald P. Durocher of Durocher & Company, Inc., 313-259-7414, for First of Michigan Capital Corporation

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#90269p8400 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
SIMSBURY, CONN. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Kollmorgen Corporation (NYSE: KOL) announced today that the previously announced $20 million periscope contract, received by its Electro-Optical Division in April 1990, has been terminated for convenience by its international customer.

The Model 76 periscopes were to have been delivered from mid-1991 to 1993. The company does not believe that the termination of this contract will have any adverse financial impact on Kollmorgen in 1990. The company is not yet in a position to determine the effect, if any, on the company's business plan beyond 1990.

Kollmorgen has been the sole designer since 1916 of all operational periscopes used by the U.S. Navy, and is widely recognized as the pre- eminent international designer and manufacturer of military periscopes for the free world. Kollmorgen has been selling periscopes to international customers since the early 1970s.

Kollmorgen Corporation has continuing operations in two business segments: special purpose servo motors and controls, and electro- optical instruments.

CONTACT: James A. Eder of Kollmorgen, 203-651-3757; Kathy Liebmann of Gavin Anderson Doremus & Co., 212-921-1060, for Kollmorgen

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#90269p8402 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
SEATTLE (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has granted approval for extended-range operations for the Boeing twin-engined 737-300/-400/-500 series jetliners.

If the airplanes are configured to meet certain equipment requirements as set out in the FAA-approved Configuration, Maintenance and Procedures (CMP) guide, they are now cleared to operate on flights that take them up to 120 minutes flight time from an approved landing field with one engine inoperative. With this authority, airlines can fly more direct routes between some cities, saving time and fuel.

This FAA approval recognizes the reliability of the 737-300/-400/-500 fleet of 770 airplanes, all equipped with CFM56-3 engines. With six million hours of flight time, this Boeing fleet has the best reliability record in the industry.

The 737-300 was originally approved for 120-minute extended-range operations in November 1986. That approval was withdrawn in July 1989 when the FAA issued an airworthiness directive to address concerns related to operation in heavy rain and hail. The new FAA approval restores 120-minute extended-range operations to those 737-300s.

The 737-300/-400/-500 airplanes now join the 737-200s equipped with JT8D-9/9A, JT8D-15/15A and JT8D-17/17A engines as 737s approved for extended range operations of up to 120 minutes.

CONTACT: Mark Hooper of Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, 206-234-9330

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#90269p8405 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Rochester Community Savings Bank (NASDAQ: RCSB) today reported net income of $4.0 million or $.29 per share for the third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, compared to net income of $5.4 million or $.39 per share in the year-ago quarter.

RCSB's net income was $13.0 million or $.94 per share for the first nine months of fiscal 1990, comparable to net income of $13.4 million or $.97 per share reported for the same period in fiscal 1989.

Third quarter results were primarily affected by increases in net interest income and other income, which was offset by a higher provision for possible loan losses. Leonard S. Simon, RCSB chairman and CEO, commented, "RCSB's year-to-date operating earnings have kept pace with last year's record levels, which we believe is a considerable achievement in the current economic environment."

A 35.0 percent year-to-year increase in net interest income to $25.0 million for the 1990 third quarter reflects improved interest rate spreads, balance sheet restructuring, and interest income from Shadow Lawn Savings Bank (SLSB), a $650 million New Jersey thrift which was acquired by RCSB on April 2, 1990. RCSB's net interest margin increased to a record 2.43 percent for the recent quarter, up substantially from 1.94 percent in the 1989 third quarter.

Simon noted, "Successful expansion of our retail deposit base in New Jersey and Buffalo will enable RCSB to sustain increases in net interest income, the bank's largest source of earnings. Moreover, returns on RCSB's adjustable-rate mortgage (ARM) portfolio continue to increase and the balance sheet has been restructured to reduce the level of lower-yielding assets." Simon added that RCSB's one-year gap, a measure of the bank's sensitivity to interest-rate movements, remained low at 1.3 percent.

The third quarter provision for possible loan losses was $5.9 million, which allowed the bank to recognize current loan losses while increasing reserves to $17.9 million at the recent quarter-end. Simon indicated that the bank remains committed to adequately addressing loan problems on a timely and as needed basis.

Other income for the 1990 third quarter increased to $17.7 million, 10.6

percent higher than the year-ago quarter, reflecting contributions from mortgage banking income, bank fees and service charges, and the sale of mortgage-backed securities.

For the first nine months of 1990, other income was $45.3 million, 17.9 percent higher than the 1989 period. On a year-to-date basis, mortgage banking income, the largest contributor to other income, was up by 3.3 percent to $28.6 million, which represents a solid performance in the context of this year's slower housing market.

Bank fees and service charges increased by 66.6 percent in the 1990 third quarter, again due to increased servicing fee income from securitized auto loans and SLSB's retail banking fees.

Simon noted, "RCSB's core businesses - retail banking, automobile financing, and mortgage banking - continue to provide steady earnings which offset reduced joint venture income and the effects of increased nonperforming assets during this weak cycle in the commercial real estate market. Each business has the underlying strength to assure RCSB's continued profitability."

Operating expenses for the third quarter of 1990 were $29.5 million, compared to expenses of $23.2 million for the 1989 third quarter, reflecting the addition of a full quarter of SLSB's operating expenses and marketing expenses related to RCSB's opening of four retail branches in Buffalo during the quarter. Operating expenses for the first nine months of 1990 were $77.5 million, up 12.5 percent from expenses of $68.9 million for the same 1989 period.

Simon explained, "Although the growth of RCSB's retail banking network has increased baseline operating expenses for the retail bank, we expect this investment to yield favorable returns based on increased revenues and enhanced operating efficiencies. Without SLSB's operating expenses, year-to-date expenses would have been flat, demonstrating RCSB's diligence in its cost control efforts."

Total assets at Aug. 31, 1990 were $4.34 billion compared to $4.71 billion at the end of the 1990 second quarter and $3.98 billion at the end of fiscal 1989.

At Aug. 31, 1990, nonperforming assets were 4.03 percent of total assets reflecting the combined impact of a previously disclosed increase in nonperforming commercial real estate loans, a smaller asset base and the effect of a reduction in the availability of credit for commercial real estate projects.

Other real estate, which is marked to current market value as part of the process of taking assets into portfolio, represents 53 percent of RCSB's nonperforming assets.

"A substantial portion of the recent increase in nonperforming assets consists of projects which we categorize as 'earning nonperformers,'" Simon explained.

"These are properties that are generating positive cash flows and are fundamentally sound projects, but have been negatively affected by the general financial difficulties some developers are having as a result of the nationwide credit crunch. It's very important to make a distinction between this type of situation and those in which the secured property has lost substantial economic value."

Simon reiterated the bank's posture in handling real estate workouts by taking early control of projects. "As we stated at the beginning of the third quarter our experience has been that this proactive course of action enables us in many cases to fully recover principal on foreclosed properties, but it typically takes some time." Simon also indicated that the bank's loans on commercial real estate are relatively moderate, representing 12 percent of total assets.

Deposits at Aug. 31, 1990 increased to $3.04 billion from deposits of $2.63 billion at the end of fiscal 1989, as a result of the acquisition of SLSB and expansion into Buffalo. Shareholders' equity increased to $331.1 million or $23.97 per share from $325.6 million or $23.57 per share at Nov. 30, 1989.

The ratio of equity to assets was 7.63 percent at the end of the third quarter. RCSB exceeds all regulatory capital requirements and ranks among the best-capitalized large thrifts in the United States. Total residential mortgage originations were $390.8 million for the quarter and $1.07 billion year-to-date.

Rochester Community Savings Bank is a publicly-owned, state- chartered savings bank headquartered in Rochester, N.Y. The bank operates 27 retail banking offices in Western New York, and through its wholly owned subsidiary, Shadow Lawn Savings Bank, 19 retail banking offices in New Jersey. RCSB also owns subsidiaries engaged in mortgage banking, automobile financing, commercial real estate banking, insurance, and securities brokerage.

ROCHESTER COMMUNITY SAVINGS BANK FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Aug. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net interest income	$24,985	$18,514	$66,664	$59,482
Prov. for loan losses	5,854	2,381	11,780	6,681
Net interest inc. after loan loss provision	19,131	16,133	54,884	52,801
Other income:				
Portfolio sale gains	3,925	132	7,193	1,821
Mortgage banking inc.	10,004	11,377	28,626	27,709
Joint venture &				

unconsolidated subsidiary income	132	2,307	62	2,594
Banking fees & other	3,624	2,175	9,376	6,277
Total other income	17,685	15,991	45,257	38,401
Operating expenses	29,538	23,157	77,454	68,875
Income before taxes	7,278	8,967	22,687	22,327
Prov. for income taxes	3,252	3,593	9,642	8,937
Net income	4,026	5,374	13,046	13,390
Net income per share	$0.29	$0.39	$0.94	$0.97

ROCHESTER COMMUNITY SAVINGS BANK STATEMENT OF CONDITION DATA
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	8/31/90	11/30/89
Total assets	$4,338,742	$3,977,147
Investment securities	394,893	513,525
Mortgage-backed securities	603,474	556,980
Loans & lease financing	2,836,049	2,527,560
Deposits	3,037,589	2,625,421
Borrowings	804,001	828,531
Shareholders' equity	331,123	325,606
Shareholders' equity per share	$23.97	$23.57
Shares outstanding (000s)	13,816	13,816

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PORTLAND, OR. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - NERCO Inc. (NYSE: NER) today announced its oil and gas unit has successfully completed a new development well at the natural resource company's Eugene Island Block 108 field offshore Louisiana.

The field is located 25 miles offshore from St. Mary Parish, La., and was placed into production in 1983. NERCO acquired a 61 percent operating interest in the field during 1988 and 1989. Production facilities at the 5,000-acre offshore lease are located on an eight-pile platform in 25 feet of water.

The Eugene Island 108 Number 13 well establishes a new economic zone for the field. At 4,470 pounds per square inch flowing tubing pressure, the well was tested at a rate of 11.1 million cubic feet of natural gas per day, with 96 barrels of oil per day. Total well depth was 13,900 feet. The well is expected to be placed into production by early November.

The field has eight producing wells, each of which averages approximately 6.6 million cubic feet of natural gas and 85 barrels of condensate per day. NERCO's net daily production rates from the EI 108 field are approximately 30 million cubic feet of gas and 370 barrels of condensate.

Total net daily production rates for NERCO Oil & Gas are 205 million cubic feet of gas and 6,500 barrels of oil and natural gas liquids.

NERCO Oil & Gas President Roger A. Markle noted, "The development of this well reinforces our emphasis on developing the exploration and production potential of our existing producing acreage."

NERCO Oil and Gas is a wholly owned subsidiary of NERCO Inc., a diversified natural resources company. NERCO is a significant North American producer of coal, gas, oil, gold and silver. Approximately 82 percent of the company's common stock is indirectly owned by PacifiCorp (NYSE: PPW), a diversified electric utility.

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DENVER (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Sumitomo Trust & Banking Co., Ltd., one of Japan's premier financial institutions, closed a $319 million commitment regarding variable rate financing for the city and county of Denver to be used for the construction of the new Denver Airport, according to a statement released today.

Specifically, Sumitomo Trust will be providing credit support and liquidity enhancement for Denver's Airport System subordinate revenue bonds. The initial issue will provide $200 million for the new airport project. A subsequent issue will provide an additional $100 million in funding.

The bonds will be issued as tax-exempt, commercial paper-type instruments. The interest rate on these can be fixed for anywhere from one to 180 days. Goldman, Sachs & Co. is serving as lead underwriter and remarketing agent for this transaction.

The new Denver Airport, the first new airport constructed in the United States in the past 20 years, is designed to help alleviate the severe overcrowding that has developed at the nation's existing airports due to rapidly increasing consumer demand. Accordingly, the new Denver Airport has received strong support from the Federal Aviation Administration, as well as state and local officials. The new Denver Airport is owned and operated by the city and county of Denver.

The total estimated cost of the airport project, including design, engineering construction, tenant improvements, and access roads is expected to be $2 billion. Of this, $700 million has already been funded through the issuance of fixed-rate senior bonds, and approximately $600 million will ultimately be

provided by bank-supported variable rate bonds. It is expected that $501 million will be furnished by federal grants.

The Sumitomo Trust & Banking Co., Ltd., not to be confused with the Sumitomo Bank, Ltd., is one of Japan's leading financial institutions. Founded in Osaka in 1925 as the trust bank of the Sumitomo Group, Sumitomo Trust added commercial lending to its core business in 1948. In its most recently reported fiscal year ending March 31, 1990, Sumitomo Trust had total assets of over $193 billion, net income of $394 million, and over 7,000 employees.

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#90269p8414 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVINGSTON, NJ (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - John F. Kuntz was promoted to executive vice president and general counsel of the Howard Savings Bank (NASDAQ: HWRD), Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William P. Tuggle III announced today.

"John Kuntz is an important member of the management team at the Howard," Tuggle said in announcing the appointment. "This promotion not only attests to the quality of his performance, but also emphasizes the significance of the position in the management structure of the bank."

Kuntz, who also serves as corporate secretary of the bank, joined the Howard in 1983 as an assistant counsel. He was named senior counsel in 1986, vice president and counsel in 1988, first vice president, counsel and corporate secretary in 1989 and senior vice president in March of this year.

A member of the New Jersey, New York and Morris County Bar Associations, he was previously an associate attorney with the New York City law firm of Cusack Stiles and Hale.

Kuntz is a magna cum laude graduate of Fairfield University with a bachelor's degree in political science. He earned his law degree, magna cum laude, from New York Law School. He is also a graduate of the National School of Finance and Management in Fairfield, Conn.

Kuntz, 35, is a resident of Chatham, N.J., where he has served as president of the Chatham Jaycees.

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#90269p8426 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP) said today it has commenced its previously announced public offering of $400 million of debt securities.

The offering, underwritten by Lehman Brothers, consists of $250 million of 10-3/8 percent senior notes due Oct. 1, 2000, and $150 million of 10-3/4 percent senior debentures due Oct. 1, 2010. The notes were priced at 99.875 to yield 10.395 percent and the debentures were priced at 99.59 to yield 10.8 percent.

Coastal said it intends to use the net proceeds from the offering for the repayment of short-term borrowings and other outstanding debt.

The Coastal Corporation is a Houston-based energy holding company. It has consolidated assets of $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal and chemicals, and independent power production.

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#90269p8427 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TX (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The retrial of Horton v. American Tobacco Company, Inc. in Oxford, Miss., resulted in a jury verdict for the plaintiff, Nathan Horton, but the jury awarded no damages to his family.

The jury of eight women and four men including six smokers, did conclude, on Sept. 24, 1990, that Pall Mall cigarettes were defective and unreasonably dangerous and caused Horton's lung cancer.

Under Mississippi law the next phase of the case will be up to the court. Don Barrett of Lexington, Miss., and one of Horton's attorneys, stated, "In cases like this, in which the evidence of damages is clear, the court has the option to determine damages based on the available evidence or to grant a retrial on the damage issue. This case is not over."

Another member of Horton's legal team, Don Davis, of Byrd, Davis & Eisenberg, stated, "Naturally we are disappointed that the jury was unable to make the required determination of damages. Damages, however, were not seriously disputed in this case. It is important to realize what the jury did find on

the disputed issues.

"They determined that cigarettes constituted defective and unreasonably dangerous products, that cigarette smoking causes cancer and they rejected the tobacco companies argument that Nathan Horton assumed the risk of smoking and therefore was solely responsible for his own death."

"This trial was significant both for the jury finding that cigarettes are unreasonably dangerous because they cause cancer and because the testimony and documents introduced into evidence in this trial have publicized the enormous risk of contracting lung cancer, emphysema, and associated diseases from smoking," Barrett said.

"The evidence is also important because it reveals American Tobacco Company's and the industry's callous disregard for the health and safety of their customers. They have spent billions of dollars to reassure smokers that smoking is safe; yet, when their customers become sick and die, the cigarette companies turn on them with a vengeance, saying that the smoker is foolish for believing cigarette smoking was safe."

The retrial of the case, originally scheduled to begin April 23, 1990, in Lexington, was moved to Oxford, Miss., when Judge Eugene Bogen of the Holmes County Circuit Court granted American Tobacco Company's motion for change-of-venue.

The first Horton trial ended with a hung jury and a mistrial, amid charges of jury tampering and other misconduct in January 1988. It was the first cigarette liability case in which the tobacco industry did not win a favorable verdict from a jury or judge.

Since the Horton hung jury, three additional juries have now made findings adverse to the cigarette companies, Cipollone v. Liggett & Myers, Girton v. American Tobacco Company, Inc. and the most recent Horton jury.

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#90269p8429 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Kidder, Peabody & Co. Inc., as sole manager of the underwriting, announced today the public offering of 2,000,000 primary shares of common stock of Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp. (NYSE: CDE) at a price of $26-3/8 per share, according to Coeur d'Alene Mines. Net proceeds from the offering will be used to fund Coeur d'Alene Mines' share of capital expenditures to be incurred in the development of the Kensington property, the exploration and possible development of the Fachinal project in Chile, the possible acquisition of additional gold and silver properties and for general corporate purposes.

Coeur d'Alene Mines is principally engaged in the exploration, development and operation of silver and gold mining properties located in Idaho, Nevada, Alaska and Chile.

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#90269p8431 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HERSHEY, PA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Responding to the challenges facing utilities in the '90s requires more participatory, problem-solving cultures, firm control of costs and the willingness on the part of both companies and regulators to take risks, Standley H. Hoch, chairman, president and chief executive officer of General Public Utilities Corp. (NYSE: GPU), told approximately 500 utility executives today.

Hoch's comments were made in the keynote address at the 83rd annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Electric Association, an organization of management personnel from Pennsylvania-based investor-owned electric utilities. The meeting was also attended by state regulatory commissioners and legislators.

"Our industry is at a pivotal stage," Hoch said. "Those who succeed in today's more competitive environment will be those who act today with a focused view of what they want their companies to be tomorrow."

Hoch also told the meeting that the Middle East crisis is unlikely to have much direct impact on Pennsylvania utilities, since none are highly dependent on oil. "However," he said, "the rise in oil prices could send the nation into recession and upset the fragile economic resurgence we have helped to build in some of the areas we serve here in Pennsylvania."

The special challenges for utilities include increased competition coupled with a changing regulatory climate.

"The ability to manage those changes will require the development of new company cultures equipped to anticipate competitive challenges and implement responsive strategies," Hoch said. " Companies must define their vision and make that vision an integral part of the organization," he added.

Making that vision a reality, Hoch said, "requires that you build a participatory environment where all employees buy into the vision. It also requires empowering workers by listening to suggestions and by consulting them."

As an example of cultural change at GPU and other utilities, Hoch cited the recently announced agreement between GPU and Pittsburgh-based DQE Inc. to jointly generate and move energy across the state. The agreement, which

involves the reopening of two mothballed generating stations and the construction of 200 miles of new transmission line, adds new total West-to-East capacity for Pennsylvania and increases long-range transmission capacity and system reliability for all of the state's utilities, Hoch said.

The cooperation embodied in the venture "represents a cultural change for the industry and for both companies," Hoch said.

Hoch also called for utilities to take a proactive approach on environmental issues, anticipating and responding to environmental concerns before they are forced to do so.

And Hoch said the industry's challenges necessitate a new level of cooperation between the industry and its regulators. Such cooperation would "ensure fair and equitable treatment both to our ratepayers and to the utility shareholders who finance the investor-owned utility," he said.

Parsippany, N.J.-based General Public Utilities (NYSE: GPU) is the nation's 15th largest investor-owned utility. It provides approximately 39 billion kilowatt hours of electricity for approximately 1.9 million customers through three operating companies -- Jersey Central Power & Light Co., Metropolitan Edison Co. and Pennsylvania Electric Co.

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LINDSTROM, MN (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas W. Luedtke, president and chief financial officer of O-Jay, Inc., of Lindstrom, Minn., is pleased to announce that the company has entered into a letter of intent to acquire T. Miller, Inc., of Trenton, Mo.

O-Jay is a regional manufacturer and distributor of orange juice and juice-related products and T. Miller is a national manufacturer and distributor of regular and microwave popcorn products under the "Butter Pop" label.

Thomas Vidmar of Eden Prairie, Minn., who arranged the sale for T. Miller, said "we look forward to the completion of the sale and the combined firm's expansion into national markets for both company's product lines."

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#90269p8440 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - In another win of U.S. Postal Service

business, the Westinghouse Electronic Systems Group (ESG) has been awarded a $14.2 million contract that will help to speed processing of the nation's mail.

The contract for 1,313 Wide Area Bar Code Readers will upgrade bar code sorters now in use or being built. The equipment will allow a bar-coded address to be read almost anywhere on the face of an envelope. Currently, automated sorters read a bar code in the "postnet" position -- the lower right-hand corner of an envelope.

"This contract is very significant," said Suzanne Jenniches, general manager, Westinghouse Civil Systems Division, "because it allows us to demonstrate the full management capability of Westinghouse by providing very quick turnaround on build-to-print hardware to meet this high priority USPS need."

A strong start-up performance on the prior Postal Service contract gave Westinghouse the schedule confidence for this win, said Tom Evans, Westinghouse Postal Systems Department manager. The first contract, awarded to Westinghouse last August, calls for 211 bar code sorters to be delivered through October of 1991. The first of those bar code sorters was successfully installed nearly one month early and accepted by USPS at its Wilmington, Del., facility on schedule on Sept. 13.

This latest contract award represents another step in Westinghouse-ESG's diversification of its business base. The company has been a leader in defense electronics for more than 50 years and is now working to apply that expertise to new business areas.

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PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - David H. Weis, president, Thermal Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: THMP), today reported fiscal year-end earnings.

THERMAL INDUSTRIES INC.

Year Ended June 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$27,800,000	$29,500,000
Net income	780,000	47,000
Net income per share	$.40	$.02

Comments: Fourth quarter billings were three percent above the same quarter last year. Productivity improvements and cost controls resulted in net income above previous expectations. Stronger billings have continued into the first quarter of 1991. Balance sheet and cash position remain strong.

The annual report will be mailed in early October and the annual meeting will

be Nov. 2, 1990.

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#90269p8445 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - National Education Corp. (NYSE: NEC) today announced that its Steck-Vaughn subsidiary has been named exclusive worldwide distributor of the Official GED Practice Tests.

National Education said that the American Council on Education has awarded Steck-Vaughn the publishing and distribution contract for the period beginning Sept. 1, 1990 and ending Aug. 31, 1993.

The new practice exams introduce special editions for Canadian, Spanish-speaking, and visually-impaired populations, as well as new features, according to Steck-Vaughn President Roy Mayers.

Doug Whitney, director of GED Testing Service for the American Council on Education, said Steck-Vaughn's selection as the exclusive distributor for the Official GED Practice Tests was based on the company's ability to serve the adult education field.

"Steck-Vaughn's wealth of experience in adult education and their extensive service capabilities were impressive to our selection committee," Whitney said.

Mayers added that the Official GED Practice Tests are half-length simulations of actual GED assessments, with similar appearance and content. The practice tests were developed by GED Testing Service - the same organization that prepares the actual GED tests.

He said that they are used to identify problem areas for GED candidates and quickly predict their GED test scores. Approximately 650,000 persons are expected to pursue GED diplomas in 1990.

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#90269p8447 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - After two years of investigations, security directors from Giorgio and Yves Saint Laurent have uncovered the largest perfume counterfeit operation known to exist in Singapore. Al Vetter, Giorgio's director of security and Jean-Luis Faure, YSL's director of security conducted the investigation and led the raid. In conjunction with local investigators, they seized more than 26,000 bottles of fake Giorgio, Chloe, Christian Dior and Azzaro worth an estimated $1.8 million

at retail. The haul was packed and ready for export to the United States, Middle East and Europe.

The raid occurred at a warehouse in Woodlands, a suburb of Singapore. Most of the perfume seized is believed to have been manufactured in a makeshift laboratory in Yan Kit village, Singapore. Documents seized in the raid showed that the counterfeiters manufactured an estimated 400,000 bottles of perfume a year at the site. Oil was imported from Spain and France while the bottle were manufactured in Taiwan.

Additionally, intelligence gathered from the raid should result in the apprehension of another large counterfeit operation which is under investigation.

Legal action will be taken against the counterfeiters. However, Singapore currently has no anti-counterfeiting laws, making the city one of the main centers for worldwide counterfeit perfume trading. New legislation prohibiting counterfeiting will take effect in June, 1991.

"Over the last six months we have significantly affected the manufacturing of counterfeit perfumes in Singapore and Taiwan," said Michael Gould, Giorgio's president and chief executive officer. "And we will continue to pursue these professionals around the world until they are stopped."

In June, 1990, Giorgio and YSL raided three key counterfeit perfume operations in Taiwan and Singapore. The companies security departments have also been instrumental in uncovering bogus perfumes in California and New York.

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#90269p8456 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBORO, MA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The next generation of engineers will now have the opportunity to use the latest generation of computer equipment thanks to a $2.5 million Digital Equipment Corporation grant, announced today, to the Massachusetts Microelectronics Center (M2C).

Digital previously donated a total of $10 million in equipment to the Center, a university-industry-state partnership in technology education in support of programs in semiconductor technology at M2C's 11 member schools.

At a donation ceremony at the Center's Westborough facility, Massachusetts State Senator John P. Houston accepted the grant on behalf of M2C. He said, "Education will provide the competitive edge in today's economy. Digital's investment is a recognition of that and the excellent work done at the Microelectronics Center."

Laurence Walker, manager of Digital's Semiconductor Design & Interconnect Engineering Group, presented a check representing the grant and said, "It is important to maintain a positive vision of the future of our industry even in these changing economic times. By continuing our support of the Massachusetts Microelectronics Center's mission, we ensure a future that contains well-trained professionals in the VLSI and semiconductor engineering disciplines. We feel that this endeavor is worth supporting."

The current Digital Equipment donation consists of DECstation 3100s and DECsystem 5000/200s which will be used to upgrade Computer-Aided Design Laboratories at M2C's member universities, as well as additonal equipment which will be employed by M2C to monitor the fabrication process used in producing integrated circuit chips from student designs. About 2,000 students per year participate in Center-supported courses.

Digital's past donations to M2C have allowed the Center to create the sophisticated CAD communications network which links its member universities, and which allows students to send integrated circuit designs to the Center. Digital also donated its mask making technology to the Center, which is an integral part of the chip fabrication process.

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#90269p8458 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Drilling Co. (NYSE: PKD) today reiterated that no out-of-the-ordinary activity is occurring within the company to precipitate heavy trading in the company's stock.

"In fact, we continue to receive excellent contracts, especially in a very active international market," said Robert L. Parker, chairman and chief executive officer.

Parker added that year-end earnings will be released in mid- October. "We expect to have the best balance sheet in several years, with little debt and a significant cash position," he said.

Parker is a worldwide land drilling contractor specializing in remote location arctic and deep drilling programs for major oil companies, independent oil and gas producers and governments.

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#90269p8459 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Hughes Aircraft Co. and Morris Brown College have entered into a partnership agreement aimed at enhancing the computer science department at the historically black college and providing cooperative research programs at both MBC and Hughes.

The multi-faceted partnership will consist of a variety of working arrangements involving students and faculty at the college and technical personnel of the aerospace company. It will include joint research projects and curriculum development, as well as faculty and student development programs.

Announcement of the innovative partnership agreement was made today at a breakfast meeting at the college's student center. In attendance were the presidents of Hughes and Morris Brown, plus city and state government officials and business leaders.

"The partnership is based on each institution bringing something to the 'marriage' that will benefit both sides," said Dr. Calvert H. Smith, president of the college.

Principal components of the partnership include a teaming arrangement between Hughes and the Morris Brown Research Institute to pursue research contracts; establishment of a MacIntosh computer laboratory at the college to assist students in developing data processing skills; and technical experts to be provided by Hughes to conduct seminars and provide consulting services.

Members of the Morris Brown faculty will be invited to participate in computer and data processing courses, both on campus and in Los Angeles, and summer employment opportunities, a $2,000 annual scholarship and career-development seminars will be offered for students.

D. Kenneth Richardson, Hughes' president and chief operating officer, said that the partnership was a formal acknowledgment and commitment that the two institutions will be working together in the future.

"The historically black colleges and universities must play an important role in helping us meet the challenges we are faced with," he said. "We will be looking to colleges such as Morris Brown for a steady supply of talented graduates needed to staff an increasingly technical workforce in the 1990s."

Los Angeles-based Hughes, with approximately 65,000 employees, is the nation's leading supplier of defense electronics. The company's long-standing relationship with colleges and universities nationwide includes partnerships with several of the historically black colleges, including Alabama A&M, Howard Jackson State, Morgan State, South Carolina State, Southern, and Tuskegee.

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#90269p8463 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Bell Canada today announced the offering of $125 million of debentures in Canada. The 12.50 percent debentures, Series EF will be dated Oct. 15, 1990, will mature on Oct. 16, 1995, and will be offered at 102 to yield 11.96 percent. A preliminary prospectus relating to the issue will be filed with the various securities commissions in Canada.

The issue is underwritten by Burns Fry Limited, RBC Dominion Securities Inc., Wood Gundy Inc., Lvesque Beaubien Geoffrion Inc., Nesbitt Thomson Deacon Ltd., Richardson Greenshields of Canada Limited and Gordon Capital Corporation. The issue is expected to be completed on Oct. 15, 1990. Proceeds from the sale will be used to pay for part of Bell Canada's capital expenditures and to provide additional working funds.

Bell Canada, the largest Canadian telecommunications operating company, markets a full range of state-of-the-art products and services to nearly seven million business and residence customers in Ontario, Quebec and parts of the northwest territories.

Bell Canada is a member of Telecom Canada -- an association of Canada's major telecommunications companies.

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#90269p8464 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MICH. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Federal-Mogul Corporation (NYSE: FMO) today declared the regular quarterly dividend of 23 cents a share on the common stock of the company.

The dividend is payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareowners of record at the close of business on Nov. 21, 1990. It will be the 219th consecutive dividend paid by the company.

Headquartered in Southfield, Federal-Mogul operates 37 plants, more than 70 distribution centers and four major research centers throughout the world. Its products range from a variety of precision parts for the transportation, farm equipment, construction and manufacturing industries to aerospace components.

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#90269p8466 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TECUMSEH, MI (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Tecumseh Products Company (NASDAQ: TECU) announced today that its 1990 third-quarter operating results would include a special after-tax charge of approximately $19,200,000 or $3.51 per share to provide for estimated costs associated with clean up of certain PCB contamination of the Sheboygan River and Harbor Superfund Site in Wisconsin. This special third-quarter charge likely will result in the company reporting a net loss for the quarter of approximately $2.50 to $3 per share.

As previously reported, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) advised late in 1985 that the company, as well as others, allegedly had contributed to the Sheboygan River and Harbor contamination.

Shortly thereafter, the company commissioned an extensive study to be made by an independent environmental engineering firm in order to determine the nature and extent of such contamination and to identify remedial alternatives.

As a result of substantial progress in this study, the company and its consultants now initially have estimated that the cost of remedial action likely will be approximately $19.2 million (after income tax benefits).

In making such an estimate, the company has not taken into consideration the likely recovery of at least a portion of such costs from other sources, including insurance companies and other parties involved with the site.

Todd Herrick, president and chief executive officer, pointed out that the ultimate costs to the company will be dependent upon many factors beyond its control such as definitive remedial action requirements to be established by the EPA, rapidly changing technology and the results of any related litigation.

Herrick also emphasized that the company remains committed to environmental compliance and to the pursuit of any appropriate cost recovery opportunities with regard to the site.

Tecumseh Products Company is a leading worldwide manufacturer of refrigeration and air conditioning compressors and gasoline engines for lawn and garden applications. Sales in 1989 amounted to $1.5 billion.

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#90269p8468 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

LINDEN, NJ (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - General Magnaplate (NASDAQ: GMCC) President Candida C. Aversenti announced today that the metallurgical coatings company has declared a semiannual dividend of three cents per share, a 50 percent increase over the previous dividends. The dividend will be Oct. 5, 1990 to shareholders of record on Sept. 14.

In announcing the dividend, Aversenti said that the increase "reflects our confidence that the strategic plans we have been implementing over the past 11 months will continue to allow us to prosper both short and long term. In some areas, in fact, we are already surpassing objectives. In the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990, gross revenues reached the record level of $10.4 million up 6.2 percent over last year."

Strategic acquisitions have allowed General Magnaplate to take advantage of significant growth opportunities in key regional industrial markets such as lumber and paper, food, pharmaceuticals, chemicals, and packaging, where its "synergistic" metal surface enhancement coatings prevent friction, metal wear and corrosion while improving the performance of metal parts in terms of surface hardness and lubricity.

The company's most recent expansions were the acquisitions of Magnaplate's Service Corporation in Texas in April, 1989 and General Magnaplate Wisconsin and General Magnaplate Canada in January, 1990.

Growth prospects are bright in a most timely way, according to Aversenti. "Chief among the growth opportunities is our ability to use specialized coatings technologies to 'substitute' for strategic metals.

"With more and more people in government and industry recognizing the potentially devastating impact impending strategic metal shortages will have on the Western democracies, General Magnaplate is poised to do its part to avoid the crisis.

"We will continue to develop innovative new surface enhancement coatings that significantly improve the performance of abundant, inexpensive metals such as aluminum, magnesium, cast iron, and low-grade steels. These can then be used in place of increasingly scarce and expensive strategic metals such as chromium, cobalt and manganese. For General Magnaplate this is both a patriotic obligation and a profitable opportunity - one we intend to pursue fully."

CONTACT: Candida C. Aversenti, president of General Magnaplate, (908) 862-6200.

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WESTVILLE, NJ (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Mars Graphic Services Inc. (AMEX: WMD) today reported consolidated results of operations for the three and six months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Sales for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, were $13,415,727 compared to $10,438,772 for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1989. Net income was $296,203 or $.14 per share (2,116,872 shares) compared to $472,527 or $.27 per share (1,779,360 shares). Sales for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, were

$6,856,760 compared to $6,074,449 for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1989. Net income for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, was $220,113 or $.10 per share (2,178,500 shares) compared to $332,774 or $.19 per share (1,779,360 shares) for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1989.

Mars sales for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, were $4,894,049 which resulted in net income of $244,305 or $.11 per share (2,178,500) compared to sales for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1989, of $4,519,323 which resulted in net income of $202,665 or $.11 per share (1,779,360 shares).

DiMark's sales for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, were $2,123,948 which resulted in a net loss for the period of $24,192 or $.01 per share. (Since DiMark was not acquired until Aug. 3, 1989, comparative results are not included.) DiMark generates its highest revenues during periods when it is engaged in the production phase of its projects for customers. Accordingly, it is not unusual for DiMark to experience losses during periods when its customer base is not heavily involved in production projects. It is anticipated that this year the larger volume production projects will occur in the third and fourth fiscal quarters.

Mars and DiMark occupy a prominent position in the direct response industry. The combination of Mars and DiMark created one of the few vertically integrated direct response marketing organizations in the country. The firm provides a comprehensive range of services including printing, product development, creative, data base marketing, production and administration to financial services, publishing and consumer products companies. Mars is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol WMD. The company's registered trademark -- "We Make Deadlines" -- is reflective of its commitment to timeliness and service.

CONTACT: Lesley A. Bachman, secretary and treasurer of Mars Graphics, 609-456-8666

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BETHLEHEM, PA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The election of John F. Ruffle, vice chairman and a director of J.P. Morgan & Co. Incorporated (NYSE: JPM), to the board of directors of Bethlehem Steel Corporation (NYSE: BS) was announced today by Walter F. Williams, chairman and chief executive officer.

Ruffle joined Morgan in 1970 as controller. In 1980 he was named treasurer, and executive vice president and head of the financial group. He has been vice chairman and a director of Morgan since 1985 and is also a member of the corporate office, the firm's senior policy and planning group.

Earlier in his career, Ruffle had been with International Paper Company as assistant treasurer and director of accounting, and with Price Waterhouse.

He was born in Toledo, Ohio, on March 28, 1937. He graduated form The Johns Hopkins University with a bachelor of arts degree in 1958 and from Rutgers University with an MBA in finance in 1963, the same year in which he became a certified public accountant.

CONTACT: Corporate communications at Bethlehem Steel, 215-694-3711

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#90269p8477 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISON, N.Y. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Cohane Rafferty Securities Inc. announced today that purchase proposals for the sale of the Empire of America Realty Credit Corp. ("EOARCC") are due no later than Tuesday, Oct. 16.

EOARCC is headquartered in Buffalo, N.Y., and is the 22nd largest mortgage banking company in the United States, with a combined servicing portfolio of $7.5 billion. Cohane Rafferty was retained as the investment banker to sell EOARCC in July. The offering memorandum was sent out on Monday, Sept. 24, 1990, and potential purchasers will visit the EOARCC facilities during the week of Oct. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: Hilary J. Renz, CFO of Cohane Rafferty Securities, 914-381-4903

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#90269p8478 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Alupower, Inc. today received one of the 1990 R&D 100 Awards for its Alwatt Battery Model SDL-1A. The awards are presented by R&D Magazine to recognize the 100 most significant technological advances of the year.

The Alwatt Battery is an aluminum-based salt-water-activated battery in which the only reactants are aluminum and water. The primary function of the battery is to generate electric power in sea- water. This particular application is to provide additional power in a small electric-powered research and rescue submarine.

The Alwatt battery system was created at Alupower, Inc., in New Jersey, and the SDL-1A version was developed for the Canadian Department of National Defense by Alupower Canada Ltd. and Alcan's Kingston Research and Development Center in Kingston, Ontario.

The R&D 100 Awards program is the only competition in the world to recognize the 100 most-significant new technical products of the past year. This international competition, which is in its 28th year, seeks to recognize innovators and organizations for outstanding practical technical developments and to identify significant technological advances.

Alupower, Inc., based in Warren, N.J., is a wholly owned subsidiary of Alcan Aluminum Corporation.

CONTACT: Yves Doucet of Alcan Aluminium Limited, 514-848-8378

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#90269p8481 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SARASOTA, FL (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - After reporting four consecutive profitable quarters in fiscal 1990 totaling $504,485 in net operating income and $3,275,249 in sales, Tech:Time is pleased to announce that the results for the first quarter ended Aug. 31 will continue the profit trend.

The company generated sales of $741,202 and net operating income of $58,995 in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 representing an increase in net profit of 35 percent over the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Management is confident about the development of the company and expects sales and earnings to continue growing as a result of previous decisions to sell products directly to end-users.

A comparative summary of selected first quarter 1991 and 1990 operating results is shown below:

Fiscal quarter ended	8/31/90	8/31/89
Net sales	$ 741,202	$ 733,289
Net income (loss)	$ 58,995	$ 43,458
Net income (loss) per share	$ 0.01	$ 0.007

Tech:Time Inc. is a manufacturer of computerized data collection terminals used for time and attendance, security, access control, job costing, labor distribution, scheduling, communications and messaging. Tech:Time's stock is traded in the Over-the-Counter market as a non-listed company.

CONTACT: Gary Crawford, chief financial officer of Tech:Time, 813-954-8463

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#90269p8488 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

WARWICK, RI (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Applied DNA Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADNA) today announced that its board of directors has voted to extend the expiration data of its class B warrants from Oct. 1, 1990 until the close of business on March 29, 1991.

The board also voted to reduce the class B warrants exercise price. From Oct. 2, 1990 through Jan. 31, 1991 the holder of each class B warrant will be entitled to purchase one share of common stock at the exercise price of $.50

per share. The exercise price will then increase to $1 per share from Feb. 1, 1991 through March 29, 1991.

Applied DNA Systems, Inc. is primarily a biotechnology research and development company. Current scientific projects include a patented in vitro chemosensitivity assay (to determine the effectiveness of various chemotherapeutic agents on specific tumor specimens) and a non-toxic antioxidant.

CONTACT: Alain Klapholz of Applied DNA Systems, (401) 732-6520.

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#90269p8489 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - T/SF Communications Corp. (AMEX: TCM) today announced that its preliminary review of the second half of 1990 indicates that income will likely be approximately the same as or only slightly better than for the last six months of 1989. The company noted that certain analysts had projected better earnings for the second half of 1990 and that such projections were not likely to be achieved. The net effect of these preliminary projections for the last six months of 1990, when coupled with actual first half results would indicate that the company will probably sustain a slight loss for the entire year.

G. Douglas Fox, chairman of T/SF, stated, "The continuing problems in our New Jersey shopper-newspaper operation, particularly in its commercial printing division, will hold down expected results for the second half of 1990. These problems and the mixed results we expect from our Long Island shopper-newspaper because of the fast changing market conditions on Long Island, will result in disappointing earnings. Continued softening of the economy in the northeast is contributing to our current problems in New Jersey and New York. Our daily newspaper, information services and trade journal divisions are doing well and will likely complete the year with substantial improvement from 1989."

Fox continued, "Even with these earnings disappointments, T/SF continues to have substantial cash flow in excess of debt service requirements and a strong balance sheet. We are planning substantial operating changes to improve results for 1991."

Fox noted that the company's stock price had dropped significantly during 1990. He reported that the board of directors of T/SF had authorized the company to take steps to initiate a "Dutch auction" for up to 500,000 shares of its common stock. This process would allow stockholders to offer to sell their stock back to the company at a price specified by the tendering stockholder, subject to the company agreeing to the offered price. The company would then determine how many, if any, of the tendered shares it would acquire. The final terms of the offer have not been determined and the offer

will only be made by a formal tender offer when necessary Securities and Exchange Commission filings are made. While there is no assurance that the offer will finally be made, it is estimated that the auction offer, if made, will not occur until November, 1990.

CONTACT: G. Douglas Fox, Howard G. Barnett, Jr., or J. Gary Mourton, all of T/SF Communications Corp., 918-747-2600

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MINNETONKA, MN (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Advance Circuits, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADVC) Minnetonka-based manufacturer of printed circuits, announced today record financial results for its 1990 fiscal year.

Sales for the fiscal year ended Aug. 25, 1990, were an all-time high of $88,274,000, an increase of 29 percent from 1989 sales of $68,551,000. Net income for the year was also an all-time record of $8,453,000 or $1.49 per share. This compares to net income of $5,358,000 or $.90 per share in fiscal 1989.

For the fourth quarter, the company reported sales of $22,816,000 and a net income of $2,163,000 or $.38 per common share. This compares to fourth quarter fiscal 1989 sales of $18,532,000 and a net income of $2,688,000 or $.46 per share which included a tax credit of $835,000.

Thomas F. Leahy, chairman, indicated that the company completed the fiscal year with record results in both the military and commercial divisions. The results reflected the company's continued expansion of capacity and upgrading of equipment. In the fiscal year of 1990, the company purchased $8.5 million of new equipment. The company completed the fiscal year with an order backlog of $41,509,000.

The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol -- ADVC.

CONTACT: Thomas F. Leahy or Thomas I. Mueller, of Advance Circuits, 612-935-3311.

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#90269p8504 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

YPSILANTI, MI (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - ENVOTECH, Inc., an Ypsilanti-based company, announced today that it is currently completing the formation of a new partnership with a German-based organization of Ameropa Umweltschutz, Limited, to provide consulting and environmental protection services for waste management projects in East Germany.

The announcement was made by Walter W. Tomyn, president of ENVOTECH, Inc.

The Halle site is a 1,000-acre former coal mine that has been used as a general landfill for several decades. The new company will utilize ENVOTECH's technical knowledge and expertise to determine the best remediation -- or cleanup -- plan for the site.

ENVOTECH is part of a related group of companies based in southeastern Michigan providing environmental protection services including both hazardous and non-hazardous waste treatment, recycling, processing and disposal services.

ENVOTECH is currently proposing a 350-acre hazardous waste landfill and incinerator facility inside an 1,800-acre site it owns in Michigan's Washtenaw County.

ENVOTECH and its related companies, recognized experts in both hazardous and non-hazardous waste management, were originally contacted by Ameropa Enterprises to assist in the development of treatment, processing and disposal facilities to be established throughout East Germany.

The related companies include: Wayne Disposal, Inc., operator of non-hazardous landfills and Michigan's only commercially available hazardous waste landfill operation; Michigan Disposal, Inc., a hazardous and non-hazardous liquid and sludge treatment and processing plant; and Michigan Recovery Systems, Inc., an industrial solvent reclamation and recycling operation.

Two other related firms have pioneered environmental enhancing techniques in Michigan. Willow Run Farms, Inc. operates a 45,000- square-foot (one acre) hydroponic greenhouse on top of a closed landfill near Willow Run Airport. Specialty herbs and salad greens are grown without dirt similar to the experimental program at Walt Disney World's Epcot Center.

The ENVOTECH companies provide comprehensive environmental protection technologies and services. They have extensive experience and expertise utilizing the abilities of chemists, engineers, sanitarians, biologists, industrial hygienists, horticulturists and other environmental protection specialists.

CONTACT: David A. Jablonski of Bassett & Bassett, Inc., 313-567-4150, for ENVOTECH.

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#90269p8512 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Quad Pharmaceuticals, Inc. announced today that, as a follow up to its previously announced suspension, the firm has been formally debarred by the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) from

contracting with the federal government until Aug. 31, 1992.

According to Par Pharmaceutical (NYSE: PRX), Quad's parent company, President Kenneth I. Sawyer, "While Quad is of course disappointed in this decision, we look forward to the time when we can demonstrate that we are responsible to do business with the federal government."

In commenting further, Sawyer stated: "As with all federal authorities, Quad has cooperated with DLA on this matter. Indeed, we initiated the disclosures to FDA of the problems concerning Quad's history of regulatory compliance that were among the grounds cited by DLA in its decision, and that have also led to an investigation by the U.S. attorney of Quad. Quad will continue to work with federal agencies and the U.S. attorney's office to seek a speedy and fair resolution of any open issues."

This DLA action applies only to Quad and does not affect Par Pharmaceutical, Inc.

CONTACT: Michael A. Swit, attorney, of Par Pharmaceutical, 914-425-7100.

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#90269p8515 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TYLER, TEXAS (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert M. Rogers, chairman and CEO, announced that the board of directors of TCA Cable TV Inc. (NASDAQ: TCAT) has named Fred R. Nichols president and chief operating officer and Jimmie F. Taylor as secretary, in addition to chief financial officer and treasurer. Nichols has served as executive vice president, COO and secretary of TCA since 1985, as well as president and COO of TCA Management Company and the other operating subsidiaries of TCA Cable TV, Inc. Taylor has served as chief financial officer and treasurer of TCA since 1986.

The board also approved its regular quarterly dividend at six cents per share, payable on October 30, 1990 to shareholders of record Oct. 16, 1990. The Tyler, Texas company has 24,218,165 shares outstanding.

The company operates 53 systems with over 400,000 subscribers in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Idaho, New Mexico and Mississippi.

TCA Cable TV, Inc. stock is publicly traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol TCAT.

CONTACT: Fred R. Nichols of TCA Cable TV Inc., 214-595-3701

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB Corp. (NYSE: NCB) announced

today that it is strengthening its allowance for loan and lease losses in response to continuing weak economic conditions, and their effect on commercial real estate markets in the Southeast. NCNB presently expects to increase its allowance by $65 million, to approximately $590 million. With net loan charge-offs estimated to total approximately $75 million to $85 million, the provision for loan and lease losses in the third quarter of 1990 should approximate $145 million. This compares to a provision of $84 million in the second quarter.

Including the effect of this increased provision, preliminary estimates for NCNB's net income for the quarter are in the range of $55 million to $65 million, or 50 cents to 60 cents per common share. The company plans to announce its financial results for the third quarter on October 17.

"This action reflects our awareness of weakening economic conditions that have affected not only the real estate markets, but lending activities in general," said Hugh McColl, NCNB Chairman.

NCNB anticipates that the allowance for loan and lease losses at September 30 1990 will total $585 million to $600 million, or 1.60 percent to 1.65 percent of net loans and leases. This compares to an allowance of $525 million, or 1.46 percent of net loans and leases, at the end of the second quarter.

Nonperforming assets are expected to rise to $850 million to $900 million at the end of the third quarter. Included in this total are nonperforming loans of approximately $650 million, of which $250 million are paying interest. Nonperforming assets would represent approximately 2.30 percent to 2.45 percent of total loans and leases at September 30, 1990, or below the average for major regional banks based upon second quarter results. Nonperforming assets stood at $695 million, or 1.94 percent of total loans and leases, at June 30, 1990.

NCNB Corp. is a bank holding company with $66.2 billion in assets and more than 900 banking offices in seven states.

CONTACT: Media -- Richard K. Stilley, 704-386-8135, or Analyst -- Russell Page 704-386-5667, or Susan Carr, 704-386-8059, all of NCNB Corporation

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#90269p8525 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Hoechst Celanese Technical Fibers will increase its cellulose acetate tow and flake capacity worldwide by 32,500 and 55,000 metric tons, respectively, by 1994.

That will result from a combination of expansion and productivity improvements at locations in the United States, Belgium, Canada, Mexico, and a joint-venture operation in the People's Republic of China.

Hoechst Celanese is expanding and debottlenecking the productivity of its acetate tow and flake capabilities in anticipation of continuing high levels of demand worldwide.

A just-approved, $100-million-plus expansion of the company's joint-venture cellulose acetate filter tow plant at Nantong in China's Jiangsu Province will double tow capacity from 1990's 12,500 metric tons to 25,000 metric tons and will add a 25,000-metric-tons-per year acetate flake operation.

By 1994, productivity improvements and expansions currently in progress will add a combined 30,000 metric tons of acetate flake capacity at the company's Rock Hill, S.C., Narrows, Va., and Ocotlan, Mexico, plants and a total of 20,000 metric tons of tow capacity at Narrows, Edmonton, Canada, and Lanaken, Belgium.

The Nantong Cellulose Fibers Co. Ltd. plant brought on stream in late 1989 by Hoechst Celanese and China's Jiangsu Tobacco Co. at a rated annual capacity of 10,000 metric tons already has improved productivity to 12,500 metric tons per year of output.

An additional 12,500 metric tons of tow capacity will be brought on stream there by the first half of 1992. The acetate flake facility is targeted for completion there in 1994. Engineering for both facets of the Nantong Cellulose expansion is in progress.

Nantong Cellulose Fibers Co. Ltd. is the only acetate tow producer in China. Its products are sold exclusively in the People's Republic of China, the world's fastest-growing cigarette tow market.

Hoechst Celanese Technical Fibers and its Filter Products Division are parts of Hoechst Celanese Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Hoechst AG of West Germany. Hoechst Celanese has leading positions in chemicals, fibers, advanced materials and technologies and the life sciences.

CONTACT: James. P. Allen, (704) 554-2225 or Chester L. Caulder, (704) 554-2025 both of Hoechst Celanese Corporation.

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#90269p8527 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTOWN SQUARE, PA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - ARCO Chemical Co. (NYSE: RCM) executives today met with financial analysts in New York to discuss several key issues, including the restart schedule for the Channelview, Texas, plant.

President and Chief Executive Officer Harold A. Sorgenti announced that the first unit had been successfully restarted in mid-September. The unit produces methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE), a gasoline- blending ingredient that

reduces automotive emissions. The entire Channelview complex had been shutdown following an explosion and fire on July 5. According to the current schedule for restarting the remaining units, butanediol should be on stream by the end of the month, polyols in October, and the propylene oxide/styrene plant in December.

Sorgenti said that insurance should mitigate a substantial portion of the financial impact of the accident. The company has business interruption coverage with a $12.5 million deductible, which was met in the third quarter, and it is considering accruing a portion of the business interruption claim in the third quarter. The company has property damage insurance with a $20 million deductible; however, the depreciated value of the assets destroyed at the plant is significantly less than that number. "The personal injury litigation will be complicated and take some time to be resolved. It is difficult to estimate the financial impact any ultimate resolution will have," Sorgenti said. "Our dividend and our capital programs will not be affected," he said.

He also mentioned that the company had completed one equity styrene arrangement and has a letter of intent for a second. With the existing equity arrangement, the partner will invest in the new propylene oxide/styrene plant now under construction at Channelview. ARCO Chemical will operate the plant. The partner provides raw materials and pays its share of the plant operating costs. Sorgenti said: "All told, with these arrangements we have new commitments representing essentially the entire styrene capacity of the new plant, or more than one billion pounds annually."

ARCO Chemical Co. is a leading multinational manufacturer and marketer of intermediate chemicals and specialty products used in a broad range of consumer goods.

CONTACT: Gerald T. Davis (media), 215-359-3198, or Robert W. Clark (investors), 215-359-3382.

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#90269p8528 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - A lawsuit was filed today in Wayne County Circuit Court on behalf of Detroit taxpayers charging the Detroit City Council acted illegally in authorizing tax dollars to help finance the Comerica Bank riverfront project.

"The city cannot legally subsidize a private venture that does not predominantly serve the public interest," explained Richard A. Soble, one of the attorneys filing the suit.

"There is no constitutional authority which allows tax dollars to be used in a business project which does not clearly and unequivocally serve the public in

a manner which substantially exceeds the private interest," said Ronald Reosti another of the plaintiffs' attorneys. "With Comerica," Reosti charged, "the matter is clear. This program fails to meet even the minimum requirements."

Evidence that the public benefit is not clear, the lawyers argue, includes the failure of City Council to demand or be given architectural drawings, an environmental impact statement or zoning board approval. In addition, the plan is not consistent with the city's own Master Plan. Also, the bank has yet to disclose whether it has obtained the private financing which is necessary to begin the project.

The legal team acting for the plaintiffs include attorneys Neil Bush and Deborah A. LaBelle, all acting on behalf of the local chapter of the National Lawyers Guild.

The case will be heard by Circuit Court Judge Susan Borman, who already has a lawsuit before her on the same project, filed two weeks ago by Council President Maryann Mahaffey regarding the city's authority to demolish Ford Auditorium, a private gift to the city.

CONTACT: Atty. Richard Sobel, (313) 965-0500; or Morris Gleicher of MG Associates, Inc., (313) 864-5151, for the plaintiffs.

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#90269p8530 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Sienna Technologies, Inc., Eagan-based developers of testing equipment for semiconductors, and Investar Acquisition Corporation, a wholly own subsidiary of Investar, Inc., today completed a merger of the two companies.

Under terms of the agreement shareholders of Sienna Technologies will own approximately 74 percent of the new company. The company is named Sienna Technologies, Inc.

In announcing the merger, Sienna President Peter Erdman said, "The merger will help Sienna meet a growing industry demand for its systems, as well as develop new products to meet the needs of its customers throughout the world."

John Trucano, president of Investar, said the merger will accomplish three things: provide an excellent growth company for Investar shareholders, develop growth opportunities for Sienna Technologies, and provide liquidity for Sienna's shareholders.

Sienna Technologies was established in 1988 to develop and market a line of testing equipment to evaluate semiconductor reliability. The company had sales of $1.8 million for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989, with earnings of $190,000.

Investar was formed in 1988 as a "blind pool," closing its public offering in July 1989. Investar, Inc., is traded on the local OTC market.

CONTACT: John Trucano of Investar, 612-830-0988; Edward Raupp of Sienna Technologies, 612-688-6106; or Anders Davidson of Shepherd & Shaw Communications, 612-338-7057, for Investar and Sienna Technologies

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#90269p8534 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TALLAHASSEE, FLA. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Three Florida agencies today announced a recall of contaminated oysters sold under the label "Hilton's Willapoint Fresh Oysters," shipped to Florida from Washington state. The oysters can be identified by labels containing Washington certification number 006 and "sell by" dates of Sept. 27, Oct. 2 and Oct. 4.

In Florida, the oysters are sold in cans, plastic wrappings and buckets. The Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services and the departments of Natural Resources and Agriculture and Consumer Services jointly have placed stop-sale notices on all such oysters shipped to Florida merchants from the Coast Oyster Company.

The oysters contain a neurotoxin called paralytic shellfish toxin. The toxin causes a type of food poisoning that can lead to numbness of the mouth, lips, face and fingertips. In more severe cases, the toxin can cause difficulty in swallowing, speaking and walking.

The toxin rarely is fatal, and symptoms usually disappear within two days. Some victims experience a floating sensation, while others become nauseated.

"Anyone who has recently eaten oysters and exhibits these symptoms should see a doctor immediately and then report their illness to a local HRS county public health unit," said Dr. Robert Calder of the HRS Office of Disease Control.

Anyone who has purchased any of these oysters should not eat them. They should notify the vendor where the oysters were sold, Calder added.

Questions can be directed to the local HRS county public health units, the Department of Natural Resources at 904-488-5471, or the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services at 904-488-3951.

CONTACT: Steve Konicki of the Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services, 904-488-4854

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#90269p8544 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONROEVILLE, PA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Community Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: CBPA) announced today that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on its common stock of $0.05 per share.

The dividend is payable Nov. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 10, 1990.

"This dividend is a reflection of our continued strong financial condition and our commitment to provide a stable return to our stockholders," said Kenneth J. Tyson, president and chief executive officer. It is the policy of the board of directors to pay regular cash dividends of $0.05 per quarter.

Community Bancorp Inc. is the parent holding company of Community Savings Association, which converted to the stock form of ownership in November 1988. In connection with such conversion, Community Bancorp Inc. issued 1,495,000 shares at $6.50 per share. Community Savings Association maintains 12 full-service offices in the Greater Pittsburgh metropolitan area.

CONTACT: John A. Howard Jr., senior v-p and chief financial officer of Community Bancorp Inc., 412-242-6011.

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#90269p8549 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Interstate/Johnson Lane, Inc.'s (NYSE: IS) board of directors today elected Parks H. Dalton as chairman and chief executive officer.

Dalton was chief executive officer of Interstate Securities from 1968-1986, and chairman through January 1988. Since then he has served as chairman emeritus of Interstate/Johnson Lane and most recently as chairman of the executive committee of the company's board.

During Dalton's tenure at Interstate Securities, the company expanded across several state lines, significantly increased its capital base, increased its revenue to well over $100 million and attracted top investment professionals.

With more than $80 million in capital, Interstate/Johnson Lane is one of the largest broker-dealer and investment banking firms headquartered in the Southeast. The firm has 1,150 employees, including more than 450 account executives serving individual and institutional investors through more than 70 sales offices in six southeastern states and New York City.

CONTACT: Laura Mercer of Price McNabb for Interstate-Johnson Lane, Inc., 704-375-0123 or Edward C. Ruff of Interstate-Johnson Lane, 704-397-9119

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#90269p8552 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
AURORA, CO (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Pak Mail Centers of America Inc. (NASDAQ: PMCA) today announced that its common stock has been accepted for trading on the NASDAQ inter-deal quotation system under the symbol "PMCA." Trading of the Pak Mail common stock on NASDAQ began on Sept. 24, 1990.

Pak Mail, headquartered in Aurora, is engaged in marketing and franchising service centers and retail stores which specialize in the shipping and packaging industry as well as business support services.

CONTACT: Elise Klein for Pak Mail Centers, (708) 291-1616.

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#90269p8555 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
ARLINGTON, VA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of its previously announced plan to reduce growth during the next several years, USAir has reached agreement with the Boeing Commercial Airplane Group to reschedule the delivery of 16 new aircraft from 1991 and 1992 to 1993 and 1994.

This is in addition to plans announced earlier this year to reschedule 12 Boeing 737-300/400 aircraft from 1991-92 until 1995. USAir also has agreed to convert ten existing options for 737s into firm orders, with deliveries scheduled for 1994.

"Our fleet size at the end of 1992 will remain relatively unchanged from the present total of about 445 jet aircraft," said Seth E. Schofield, USAir president and chief operating officer.

USAir will take delivery of nine of the 23 Boeing 737-300/400 aircraft previously scheduled for delivery during 1991-92. Deliveries of the remaining 14 jets will be rescheduled. Two 767-200s will be delivered as planned in 1991 while two originally slated for delivery in 1992 will be rescheduled, one for 1993 and the other in 1994.

The airline is in the process of phasing out about 28 older, non-advanced models of the 727-200 and 21 non-advanced 737-200s between 1990 and 1992. These aircraft will be made available for sale.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, (703) 418-5100 or (213) 417-1294 (Western Region).

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#90269p8557 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The partial purchase of two separate concert promoting organizations, John Scher's Metropolitan Entertainment Inc.,

and Jim Koplik and Shelly Finkel's Cross-Country Concerts, was announced today by Alain Levy, executive vice president of PolyGram International and chairman of PolyGram Holding Inc. The move becomes the basis for the establishment of the new PolyGram Diversification Division, of which John Scher will become president.

The Diversification Division will be a part of PolyGram Holding Inc. (PHI), the holding company for A&M, Island and PolyGram Records and PolyGram Group Distribution. The Diversification Division will concentrate on areas of creating new business, such as pay per view, merchandising, tours, facility development and artist management. PolyGram will be funding the new division with a substantial investment. The division will be based in New York.

The agreement to purchase a portion of both Metropolitan and Cross- Country was made by the PHI board of directors, which includes Levy, A&M president and CEO, Jerry Moss and Island Records founder, Chris Blackwell.

As a result of the PolyGram purchase of a part of both promotion firms, the two companies, Metropolitan and Cross-Country, have merged, with the new company to maintain the Metropolitan name, and to continue to operate out of its Montclair, N.J., offices. Koplik will become president of the firm, while Scher assumes the new title of chairman of the board.

Cross-Country has for more than 20 years, been an active promoter in major Southern New England locations, including New Haven, Hartford and Springfield, as well as the New York State capitol district. A notable achievement for the company was the staging of the historic Watkins Glen Festival in July of 1973, where the Allman Brothers Band, the Grateful Dead, and The Band played for more than 600,000 fans, then and now, the biggest single gathering for a live concert. The company also exclusively books the New Haven club known as Toad's Place, where both the Rolling Stones and Bob Dylan chose to start their recent tours.

Metropolitan Entertainment Inc., based in Montclair, N.J., is one of the nation's leading concert promotion and talent management companies. PolyGram has purchased a substantial interest in the firm, and also has the option to buy the entire company.

CONTACT: Dawn Bridges, vice president-publicity of PolyGram, 212-333-8357, or Ren Grevatt, 212-582-0252, for John Scher

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ELGIN, ILL. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald W. Brinckman, chairman and chief executive officer of Safety-Kleen Corp. (NYSE: SK), announced today that Safety-Kleen achieved record revenue and net earnings in the third interim reporting period of 1990.

Revenue for the 12 weeks ended Sept. 8, 1990, was $136,635,000, an increase of 23.7 percent over 1989. Net earnings increased 19.8 percent to $12,079,000. Earnings per share were $.35, compared to $.30 last year. Year-to-date revenue increased 22.8 percent to $395,123,000 and net earnings were up 15.3 percent to $35,267,000. Earnings per share for the thirty-six weeks were $1.03 versus $.91 in 1989.

Brinckman said, "Revenue of the core Parts Cleaner Service was $218,878,000 year-to-date in 1990, an increase of $27,609,000 or 14.4 percent over 1989. Revenue of the newer services was up 35 percent to $176,245,000."

"Growth in parts cleaners in service remained strong, with an increase of approximately 41,800 units or 8 percent from the same time last year," Brinckman added. "Industrial customers accounted for 17,700 of the increase in parts cleaners in service, representing a 24.9 percent increase over the installed base a year ago. At the same time, parts cleaners in service in the more mature non-industrial market increased 5.4 percent or 24,100 units over last year."

"The Fluid Recovery Service continued to register strong growth in the current quarter," Brinckman added. "Revenue of this service year-to-date was $29,737,000, an increase of 125 percent from $13,198,000 last year. This service is now being offered through 110 of our branches, up from 74 branches a year ago."

"Revenue of the Oil Recovery Service was $53,895,000 year-to-date, up 42 percent from $38,068,000 last year," Brinckman said. "We are now collecting waste oil through 62 of our branches in the United States. We plan to expand this service to an additional six branches by the end of 1990."

Brinckman said, "Our earnings for the current quarter were adversely impacted by greater losses from our European joint venture operations. Our share of these losses was $798,000 in the third quarter of 1990, an increase of $496,000 from last year. Year-to-date our losses have totaled $1,635,000, an increase of $779,000 over last year. We planned losses in these operations for the full year, since they are still in the developmental stage, but losses are running somewhat higher than budgeted."

"The dramatic increase in the price of crude oil since the end of July 1990 has resulted in increased prices for various refined petroleum products," Brinckman said. "While these price changes did not have a significant impact on our third quarter results, we are now seeing large increases in the cost of virgin solvents used in the Parts Cleaner Service and in the price of vehicle fuels. We have increased prices in the domestic Parts Cleaner Service effective Oct. 8, 1990, in response to these cost increases. Longer term, increased crude oil prices, if sustained, should result in higher earnings from the oil recovery business due to increased selling prices for the

re-refined lubricating oil and industrial fuels."

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DALLAS (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - LTV Missiles and Electronics Group (NYSE: QLTV) announced that its Missiles Division received a contract for approximately $10 million to develop a Kinetic Energy Anti-satellite system for the U.S. Army.

LTV is a subcontract team member on the ground-launched anti-satellite program with Rockwell International, El Segundo, Calif., which received the contract from the U.S. Army Strategic Defense Command.

The potential value of the program to LTV could exceed $200 million through full-scale development.

During the initial 24-month contract, the Missiles Division will support system engineering and missile integration and provide the missile booster, launcher and ground support equipment; integrated logistics; and manpower and personnel integration planning.

The division will also be responsible for the guidance processor that controls the missile's flight and satellite intercept.

LTV is well-known for its successful U.S. Air Force air-launched ASAT program. Although the kinetic energy kill vehicle performed a flawless satellite intercept in 1985, the program was terminated in 1988 due to congressional restrictions on testing and development.

The Missiles Division manufactures missiles, rockets and space systems and is involved in a wide variety of advanced technology research and applications. It is one of three divisions of LTV Missiles and Electronics Group which also produces electronics, avionics and military vehicles.

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ARLINGTON, VA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of USAir Group, Inc. (NYSE: U) decided today to suspend for an indefinite period the payment of the regular quarterly dividend of three cents per share on the company's common stock.

"We recognize that the company's historic three cent quarterly dividend, while comparatively modest, is nonetheless important to many of our stockholders.

"However, in light of the company's recent financial performance and the poor outlook for the nation's economy and its effect on air travel, the Board determined that the long term interests of the company and its stockholders would be better served by conserving funds to meet the company's ongoing capital needs," said USAir Group Chairman and President Edwin I. Colodny. He noted that the Board intends to review the company's dividend policy periodically.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, (703) 418-5100 or (213) 417-1294 (Western Region).

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#90269p8567 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT, (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Andrew J. Soffel, president of Crowley, Milner & Company (AMEX: COM), announced today that a reduced quarterly cash dividend of 12-1/2 cents per share had been declared by the company's board of directors. The dividend will be paid on Oct. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 12, 1990.

In making the announcement, Soffel stated: "This has been a difficult year for the retail department store business across the nation and particularly in southeastern Michigan. Although Crowley's has performed well by comparison to many of its peers in the Midwest, we are all suffering the effects of the slower economy. We have been discussing the long-range strategic plans of Crowley's for many months and have retained the investment banking firm of Kidder, Peabody & Co. to advise management and the board of directors as to their view of the most desirable course of action to pursue in order to enhance shareholders' value and capitalize on the long-standing position of Crowley's in our market. We expect that the board will be in a better position to implement specific objectives to fulfill this goal as we complete the Christmas season and have a better view of how the company has performed this year."

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#90269p8571 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Chock full o' Nuts Corporation (NYSE: CHF) today reported net income of $4,407,000, or $.54 per share, for the year ended July 31, 1990. This compares to net income of $3,461,000, or $.43 per share, in fiscal 1989. The excellent results for the year were obtained despite pre-tax charges of $6,000,000 ($.47 per share) for a loss related to the termination of real estate agreements and $900,000 ($.06 per share) for a loss

on note receivable from sale of real estate.

The current year's results include an after- tax $1 million ($.12 per share) extraordinary gain on redemption of convertible subordinated debentures. Last year's results reflect a $3,000,000 pre-tax charge ($.24 per share) covering inventory write- downs and losses on green coffee purchase commitments, an unrealized pre-tax gain of $2,484,000 ($.20 per share) on marketable equity securities and an extraordinary credit of $671,000 ($.08 per share) arising from the utilization of capital loss carryforwards. Net sales for the year were $243 million compared to $239 million last year. Operating profits from food product sales increased by 112% to $19,634,000 reflecting increased margins as well as the favorable results of the instant coffee business acquired from Tetley, Inc. on November 7, 1989.

The net loss for the current quarter was $2,438,000 ($.30 per share) versus a loss of $557,000 ($.07 per share). The current quarter's results include the aforementioned real estate transactions, while last year's quarterly results included a gain on marketable equity securities of $924,000 ($.08 per share) and the aforementioned inventory write- downs and losses on purchase commitments. Net sales were $62 million compared to $62.6 million in the year-ago quarter.

Leon Pordy, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "The continued growth of all of our food product operations generated a record performance for this segment of our business. Retail coffee operations had its highest operating income in the company's history. We are pleased by the results of our food service coffee operations and the integration of our recently acquired instant coffee business."

Chock full o' Nuts Corporation roasts, packs and markets regular, instant and decaffeinated coffees under the Chock full o' Nuts label. Its best known coffee product is its premium, vacuum packed, all-method grind coffee. The company is also one of the largest marketers of food service and private label coffee, tea and beverage products, as well as the number one supplier of in the shell peanuts in the United States.

CONTACT: Leon Pordy, chairman and CEO of Chock full o' Nuts Corporation, 212-532-0300; or George McGrath of Hill and Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for Chock full o' Nuts

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - American Savings Bank (NYSE: ASB) today announced that its board of directors did not declare the quarterly cash dividend on American's $1.8125 cumulative convertible exchangeable preferred stock. The dividend would normally have been declared in September for payment on Nov. 1, 1990. The bank in April suspended payment of its common

stock dividend and in June suspended payment of the quarterly preferred dividend (payable in August), citing its operating results, uncertainties in the real estate market and the economy generally and the regulatory environment.

The bank's preferred stock is cumulative; unpaid quarterly dividends accumulate without interest as obligations of the bank. Preferred dividends which are in arrears may be declared and paid as and when the board determines. The bank's charter provisions governing its preferred stock and New York law prohibit payment of dividends on the bank's common stock when preferred stock dividends are in arrears.

American Savings Bank is a New York State-chartered savings bank with executive and administrative offices in White Plains, N.Y. Together with its wholly owned subsidiary, Riverhead Savings Bank, FSB, American operates 39 branch offices in New York City and in Westchester, Nassau and Suffolk Counties. The bank's common stock and $1.8125 cumulative convertible exchangeable preferred stock, Series A are both listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Robert J. Hughes, 914-287-2784, or Susan Horldt, 914-287-2980, both of American Savings Bank

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - International Cablecasting Technologies Inc. is pleased to provide an update on the status of its proposed emigration from Canada to the United States and its SEC Registration and NASDAQ listing. Following unanimous shareholder approval in late July, the company submitted its Plan of Reorganization to the respective Canadian regulatory authorities and subsequently received both local and federal Canadian clearances to emigrate the Company. ICT's Registration Statement (Form S-1), filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) was subsequently amended. The company expects that the most recent amendment filed will receive SEC approval within a few days. ICT's application for NASDAQ listing has been submitted and should be effective fourteen days after SEC approval of the Registration Statement. NASDAQ has reserved the trading symbol ''CDMX'' for the company's shares; the company's current Vancouver Stock Exchange trading symbol, ICC, will be changed to ''DMX''.

Following the effective implementation of the company's reorganization, ICT (the newly listed U.S. company) will appoint William E. Johnson, Dean A. Gilbert and Kent Burkhart to its Board of Directors.

Johnson is the chief executive officer of Scientific-Atlanta, Inc. (S.A), a leading manufacturer of cable television electronics and satellite based communication networks, and the manufacturer of the Company's cable digital

audio tuner. He is a graduate of Yale University and the Harvard Business School where he was a Baker Scholar. Prior to joining S-A, Johnson had his own consulting firm, William E. Johnson Associates, which specialized in major strategic redirections and turnarounds. The firm's clients included GE, GTE, Hoffman La Roche, Allied Chemical, American Standard, the American Stock Exchange and S-A.

Gilbert is the Vice-President of Marketing and Programming for KBLCOM Incorporated, a multiple system operator representing nearly one million subscribers throughout the U.S. and a charter affiliate of the Company. Prior to joining KBLCOM, he was the vice president - marketing and public affairs for Paragon Communications, a joint venture between Time Inc. and Houston Industries; vice president - corporate marketing for TKR Cable Company, a joint venture between Knight-Ridder and TCI and; he held various marketing management positions with Continental Cablevision.

Burkhart is the chairman of Burkhart/Douglas & Associates (B/D & A). B/D & A provides consulting services in administration, programming, marketing, merchandising for radio stations and is considered to be the premiere company in the development of new music formats in the U.S. radio industry. In addition, Burkhart is the president and director of Degree Communications, which owns radio stations in Austin, TX and Greenville-Spartanburg, SC. B/D & A is the exclusive programmer for ICT's premium digital audio service.

CONTACT: Jerold H. Rubinstein, Chairman of the
Board of International Cablecasting Technologies Inc., 213-552-2333

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BOSTON (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Eaton Vance Corp. (NASDAQ: EAVN) a Boston-based investment management firm, announced that its board of directors has increased to 200,000 shares its authorization to purchase the company's non-voting common stock and has recently purchased 80,000 shares in the open market.

Such purchases may be privately negotiated as well as made in the open market, and the stock may be used for any corporate purpose, the company said. Eaton Vance currently manages 28 investment companies and other accounts with total assets of approximately $7 billion.

Eaton Vance stock is quoted on NASDAQ and is traded in the over-the-counter market. The stock is also listed on the Boston Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Curtis H. Jones of Eaton Vance, (617) 482-8260.

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#90269p8596 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
COARSEGOLD, CA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Sierra On-Line Inc. (NASDAQ: SIER) announced today that it will assume European distribution rights to Sierra and Dynamix products on Oct. 1, 1990.

Sierra has established Sierra Limited, U.K., to distribute its line of entertainment software in Europe. Previously, Sierra products were distributed in the United Kingdom and Europe by Activision U.K.

With the re-acquisition of distribution rights, Sierra has opened offices for Sierra Limited U.K. in Reading, just outside London. The company will maintain a customer service line, with Sierra trained personnel, to provide support to Sierra computer game fans in Europe.

Ken Williams, Sierra president and chief executive officer, said, "Sierra is already a recognized brand in Europe and the U.K., with thousands of loyal fans. We feel that by opening Sierra Ltd., we can further serve and support our British and European customers."

Sierra Ltd. will distribute more than 12 new titles for the 1990 Christmas season, with the much anticipated King's Quest V, from Sierra superstar designer Roberta Williams, heading the list. Also included are "Space Quest IV " "Quest for Glory II" (formerly "Hero's Quest"), "Oil's Well," "Jones in the Fast Lane," and updated versions of "King's Quest" and "Mixed-Up Mother Goose."

Dynamix, a Sierra subsidiary, will offer a mixture of products for 256-color computer systems, including "Stellar 7," a space battle arcade game, and a World War I flight simulator, "Red Baron." Dynamix will also be releasing two 256-color adventure games - "Rise of the Dragon" and "Heart of China."

Sierra plans home language versions of several games in French, German and Spanish in the coming months. CD-ROM products are also being readied for the European market, with "Mixed-Up Mother Goose" the first of many CD-ROM titles scheduled for release in late 1990 and 1991.

Sierra develops and publishes interactive animated adventure software for home computers. The company's products feature high quality graphics, music and sound effects and are designed for IBM PCs and compatibles, Atari ST, Amiga, and Macintosh computers.

CONTACT: Srini Vasan, director of International Business of Sierra On-Line Inc., (209) 683-4468.

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#90269p8603 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
MOSCOW (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) announced in Moscow today that the company's transport aircraft division is making a major

commitment to acquire commercial airline business in the Soviet Union.

Ves Zommers, commercial marketing regional vice president of Douglas Aircraft Co., said the company's popular MD-80 twin-jet airline series and its new MD-11 wide-cabin tri-jet are well-suited to the Soviet Union's domestic and international airline needs.

Speaking at the International Exhibition of Airline and Airport Equipment being held in Moscow this week, Zommer said, "McDonnell Douglas jetliners offer a combination of range capabilities and load capacities that are just right for the kinds of routes flown by carriers in the Soviet Union and for their international flights.

"We are very pleased to have this opportunity to introduce our advanced jetliners to the people of the Soviet Union." MD-80s can carry as many as 172 passengers non-stop over ranges up to 2,880 miles (4,635 km). MD-11 maximum passenger capacity is more than 400 and the aircraft is capable of flying more than 8,000 miles (12,874 km) non-stop with mixed-class passenger loads.

McDonnell Douglas' short-to-medium range twin-jets are currently in service with more than 50 operators worldwide. MD-80 aircraft passed two milestones this year when the company delivered its 750th MD-80 and when the twin-jet aircraft carried its 500 millionth passenger.

Including DC-9 airliners, McDonnell Douglas has delivered more than 1,750 twin-jets and currently has firm orders and other commitments for more than 1,000 additional twin-jets.

The quiet and fuel efficient MD-80 is available in five versions, offering customers different range capabilities. Comfortable five-across seating makes the plane a popular choice of airlines and passengers alike.

The company's latest entry into the wide-cabin market, the MD-11, is in flight test. McDonnell Douglas expects certification of the aircraft by the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration this fall.

Deliveries to customers will begin immediately after certification. These aircraft will be equipped with General Electric and Pratt & Whitney engines. Certification of MD-lls with Rolls-Royce engines is expected in 1993. The company has orders and other sales commitments for 379 MD-11s from 32 customers.

McDonnell Douglas transport aircraft are assembled at the Douglas Aircraft division facility in Long Beach, Calif.

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PORT NEWARK, N.J. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - EPI International, Inc. (NASDAQ: EPIX) announced today that it has discovered a number of financial irregularities which it alleges were committed by its former vice president and chief financial officer and that, as a result of this discovery, it has terminated the employment of this officer. The officer has also resigned as a director of the company. Due to the termination of this officer, the company is unable at this time to determine the exact amount of the financial irregularities. The financial irregularities discovered by the company consisted of the following:

1. Erroneous reports were submitted to the company's major lending institution. The reports overstated sales and accounts receivable. Based on these erroneous financial reports, the bank loaned substantial sums to the company. While the company is presently negotiating with the bank for the repayment to the bank of the entire outstanding loan balance of approximately $5,900,000, the bank has notified the company that it will not make any further advances to the company. As a result, the company is attempting to obtain additional funding from outside investors.

2. The company overstated its sales and cost of goods sold for the third quarter of its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 by approximately $2,200,000 and $1,000,000 respectively. As a result, while the company had previously reported a loss before income taxes of approximately $450,000 for such quarter and earnings before income taxes of approximately $540,000 for the first nine months of that fiscal year, it actually had a loss before income taxes of approximately $1,650,000 for its third fiscal quarter and a loss before income taxes of approximately $660,000 for the first nine months of the fiscal year.

3. The company's former vice president and chief financial officer issued checks of the company on non-existent funds. At the time this was discovered the company had overdrawn its account at one of its other banks by $790,000. The company believes that all of the funds were used for corporate purposes. The company has entered into an agreement with such bank which requires repayment of the entire $790,000. The company has already paid to such bank the sum of $290,000 within the last several weeks.

The company also announced today that it had decided to discontinue its warehouse and rack jobbing operations as a result of substantial losses by the operation during the second half of its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. As a result of these terminations, the company will recognize a charge against operations of approximately $600,000 for its 1990 fiscal year.

CONTACT: Irving Glick, president of EPI, 201-589-2525

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NEW YORK, (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Forstmann & Company, Inc. has extended until 5 p.m., New York City time, on Tuesday, Oct. 2, the expiration date, withdrawal rights and proration period relating to its exchange offer for up to $60 million aggregate principal amount of the $100 million outstanding of its 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999, for an equal principal amount of its new split coupon (accrued interest) senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999.

As of today, approximately $145,000 in outstanding principal amount of the 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes had been tendered for exchange and not withdrawn.

CONTACT: Maureen Burgess of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Forstmann & Company

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Credit Suisse Financial Products (Credit Suisse FP), the swaps and derivative products joint venture of Credit Suisse and CS First Boston, Inc., today announced the opening of a Representative Office in New York to serve clients in the United States, Canada and Latin America.

Credit Suisse FP, a AAA/Aaa-rated bank incorporated in England with unlimited liability, commenced operations in London on July 16. On Sept. 25, the license to maintain a Representative Office in New York was issued by the New York State Banking Department.

Allen D. Wheat, chief executive of Credit Suisse FP and president and chief executive officer of CS First Boston Pacific, said, "Credit Suisse FP intends to be at the cutting edge of financial technology and innovation; creating value for clients by solving complex risk management problems and providing superior financing and investment alternatives through derivatives. The Representative Office in New York will now allow us to serve our clients in Canada and the Americas."

John M. Hennessy, president and chief executive officer of CS First Boston, Inc., said, "A strong derivative products capability is a key element in serving client's needs in the 1990s -- both issuers and investors. With Credit Suisse FP and its new Representative Office in New York joining its existing offices in London and Tokyo, that capability is now in place worldwide."

"We are pleased to represent the comprehensive product range of Credit Suisse FP in the Americas," said James P. Healy, managing director and co-head of Credit Suisse FP's New York Representative Office. "From plain vanilla

interest rate swaps to the most complicated currency and equity-linked hedging financing and investment strategies, Credit Suisse FP has capabilities unmatched in the world today."

"We have the opportunity to provide something of unique value to our clients; leading edge financial products offered under the umbrella of AAA/Aaa ratings from Standard & Poor's and Moody's," noted Benjamin C. Weston, managing director and co-head of Credit Suisse FP's New York Representative Office. "Coupled with the much broader financing and advisory activities of Credit Suisse and CS First Boston, Inc., this is a powerful combination."

CONTACT: Ben Weston, 212-909-4225, or Jim Healy, 212-909-4224, both of Credit Suisse FP; or Jack Cowell of CS First Boston, 212-909-4827

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#90269p8616 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PURCHASE, NY (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM Corporation and U.S. Trust Corporation (NASDAQ: USTC) today announced their intention to form a new joint venture, Financial Technologies International L.P. (FTI), which will provide integrated information systems solutions to trust banks and other customers in the financial services industry.

FTI will develop, market and support trust and investment management software products. These new solutions will be based on the hardware, software and service offerings of IBM and Financial Technologies International, Inc., which is currently a subsidiary of U.S. Trust.

Ownership of FTI will be shared by IBM, U.S. Trust and FTI's management. Financial details of the arrangement were not disclosed.

FTI will be located in New York City, where it will continue operations under the new ownership arrangement upon completion of the agreements.

Existing offerings include the Asset Management System (AMS), which IBM announced in June as a cooperative software product; and the Trust and Securities Industry Relational Data Model and Data Base, an IBM product announced in March 1990 that FTI, Inc., developed for IBM.

U.S. Trust Corporation is an asset management, private banking, fiduciary and securities services firm. Through its principal subsidiary, United States Trust Company of New York, and its regional subsidiaries in California, Florida and Texas, U.S. Trust provides financial services to individuals and institutions nationwide.

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CONTACT: Jim Ruderman of IBM, 914-697-6629; Charles J. Lewis of FTI, 212-912-6330; or Allison Kellogg of U.S. Trust, 212-852-1127

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#90269p8618 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - South Florida families and friends of service personnel busy sending free fax messages to Saudi Arabia from AT&T Phone Center Stores may begin receiving phone calls from Americans in the desert country next week, when AT&T begins a new calling service from Saudi Arabia.

AT&T will be allowing U.S. service personnel in Saudi Arabia to make free three-minute phone calls to celebrate the introduction of USADirect(R) Service from Saudi Arabia. The service, which will allow Americans stationed in Saudi Arabia to reach an AT&T operator from most telephones by simply dialing 1-800-100, will begin on Oct. 3.

"AT&T is acting out of concern for military personnel stationed in Saudi Arabia who have had a difficult time communicating with friends and family," said Frank Ianna, vice president for AT&T International Communications Services. "We want to give all those who are serving in Saudi Arabia a chance to call home." With the addition of Saudi Arabia, USADirect Service is now available in 82 countries.

USADirect from Saudi Arabia is the second service offered by AT&T in the past week. Last Friday, AT&T began DESERT FAX, a free fax service allowing the families and friends of service personnel stationed in the Middle East to send a one-page fax message per day from AT&T Phone Center stores.

"AT&T's DESERT FAX service has been very popular in South Florida, with thousands of faxes having been sent from the 14 area Phone Center stores since the program began last Friday," said Barry Johnson, regional manager-AT&T in South Florida. "USADirect will connect the circle of communication, allowing American service personnel to keep in touch during these most trying times."

Travelers, expatriates, journalists and military personnel have found the five-year-old USADirect Service a good way to keep in touch with their friends and relatives in the United States.

USADirect Service is economical because calls are billed at AT&T rates and callers generally avoid hotel surcharges. It is also convenient to use, because calls go directly to American operators, avoiding language barriers.

CONTACT: Julie Spechler of AT&T, (305) 662-6411.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Rockwell International Corp. (NYSE: ROK) and Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX) today signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to jointly work on the development of a nuclear thermal propulsion system for the nation's Space Exploration Initiative (SEI).

Robert D. Paster, president of the Rocketdyne Division of Rockwell International, and Dr. Richard J. Slember, vice president and general manager of the Westinghouse Energy Systems Business Unit, signed the MOU to combine the talents, experience and resources of the two companies. The intent is to define and pursue technologies which will lead to the evaluation and application of a nuclear thermal propulsion system in support of the Bush administration's SEI goals. Both companies have long and successful records of accomplishments in the areas of energy, space and propulsion.

A nuclear thermal propulsion system uses the heat from a nuclear fission reactor to raise the temperature of a gas propellant, which in turn expands to provide thrust. Nuclear thermal propulsion provides performance levels unavailable in chemical rockets that can, for example, significantly reduce interplanetary trip times.

Slember, noting that Westinghouse has the nation's broadest base of nuclear experience with first-of-a-kind projects for the Department of Energy, said his company will concentrate on the project's nuclear aspects.

Westinghouse's space program experience includes development of the first Nuclear Engine for Rocket Vehicle Application (NERVA) power systems. The company also is working on a multimegawatt space nuclear power supply and is part of the team currently developing the SP-100 Ground Engineering System, a 100-kilowatt space nuclear electric power source.

Rocketdyne will bring to the team a highly successful 35-year record of accomplishments in rocket propulsion dating from the earliest days of America's space program which includes providing the booster propulsion for the Saturn V program which put man on the moon. Rocketdyne currently is the prime contractor for the Space Shuttle Main Engines, the Electrical Power System for the Space Station Freedom and provides the main engines for the Atlas and Delta expendable launch vehicles. It is also a member of the National Aero Space Plane contractor team.

Rockwell International, headquartered in El Segundo, Calif., is a $12 billion multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses.

Westinghouse, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is a technology-based, diversified corporation and is a world leader in the commercial nuclear power industry. The company's 1989 sales were $12.8 billion.

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VIRGINIA BEACH, VA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - John B. Baines, Chairman of the Board, announced that Seaboard Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ-NMS: SEAB) has received the approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision for its conversion to a federal stock savings bank and reorganization into the holding company form of organization. Mr. Baines stated that the Association presently intends to consummate the conversion and reorganization during the last quarter of 1990.

Stockholders of the Association approved the proposed transactions in May 1990. All shares of the Association will automatically convert, on the effective date of the reorganization into shares of the holding company, Seaboard Bancorp, Inc. ("SBI"), on a one for one basis. The common stock of SBI will continue to trade on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System under the symbol "SEAB" immediately after the reorganization becomes effective. Stockholders will not be required to exchange their share certificates for certificates of SBI. SBI will provide instructions with respect to the exchange of stock certificates as soon as possible after the effective date.

Seaboard is currently a Virginia chartered stock savings and loan association which provides mortgage and retail banking services principally in the Hampton Roads area of Virginia. Headquartered in Virginia Beach, Virginia, the Association has five offices, two in Virginia Beach, one in Chesapeake, one in Norfolk, and one in Portsmouth. Currently the Association has approximately 900 stockholders and 891,184 shares of stock outstanding. At June 30, 1990, total assets were approximatley $107 million.

CONTACT: Clarence W. Keel of Seaboard Savings and Loan Association, 804-490-3181

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#90269p8630 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Shopping Network, Inc. (NYSE: HSN), announced today the appointment of Michael V. Roberts to its board of directors. Roberts is the co-founder of Roberts Broadcasting Company which owns the largest black-owned commercial television station in the country, WHSL-TV (Channel 46) in St. Louis. Channel 46 is the first new commercial television station in the St. Louis market in 20 years and is a full-time broadcast affiliate of HSN. In addition to founding Roberts Broadcasting Company, Roberts also established a firm to provide consulting services for minority business development specializing in the broadcasting industry. In this regard, Roberts is also a member of the board of directors

of the National Association of Black-Owned Broadcasters.

Roberts was elected and served on the St. Louis Board of Aldermen (City Council) for eight years prior to entering the private sector. As a result of his public service, Roberts has extensive political experience and contacts around the United States. He served as a member of the board of directors of the National League of Cities and the Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials.

Roberts has been the recipient of many awards for community service, including from the National Association of University Women and the Urban League of St. Louis.

Roy M. Speer, the chairman and chief executive officer of HSN, stated, "We are delighted with Mike Roberts' appointment to HSN's board of directors since he will add invaluable experience and perspective to the formulation of HSN's future business policy. HSN has made strong commitments to promoting minority broadcasting in this country and Roberts will play a significant role in continuing this commitment."

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#90269p8639 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

FLINT, MI (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Buick Motor Division has announced incentives for most 1990 and 1991 Buick models effective Sept. 27 through Dec. 12, 1990.

These include consumer rebates or (in lieu of rebates) special GMAC finance rates ranging from 3.9 percent to 10.9 percent, depending on the length of the contract.

In addition, Buick is featuring its "All-Time Winning Drive" promotion in connection with the National Football League (NFL), which began with sponsorship of the All-Time Super Bowl Team ballot on Sept. 7. For 11 consecutive weeks, Buick -- the official car of the NFL -- will list All-Time Super Bowl Team nominees and provide official All-Time Super Bowl Team ballots in the sports section of "USA Today."

Buick's specific incentive amounts are as follows:

REBATES BY OPTION PACKAGE (Sept. 27 - Dec. 12, 1990)

1990 and 1991 Buick Models	SA	SB	SC	SD/SM	SE/SF
Skylark	$ 250	250	500	750	1,000
Century	$ 250	250	500	750	1,000
Regal	$ 250	250	500	750	1,000
LeSabre	$ 250	250	500	750	1,000
Riviera	$1,000	n/a	n/a	1,000	1,000

Reatta	$3,000	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

Length of GMAC Contract	Special Interest Rate(A)
1 - 24 Months	3.9 percent
25 - 36 Months	5.9 percent
37 - 48 Months	7.9 percent
49 - 60 Months	10.9 percent

(A) except Park Avenue, Park Avenue Ultra and Estate Wagon.

CONTACT: Gary Witzenburg, 313-236-1415, or Dave Roman, 313-236-5987, both of Buick Motor Division

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#90269p8642 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCOTTS VALLEY, CALIF. (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Macintosh Corp. (OTC) announced today the results of its private placement which began in March 1990. The offering consisted of a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 20 units at a price of $60,000 per unit. Each unit consisted of 500,000 shares of Macintosh common stock and five-year warrants to purchase 125,000 shares of common stock at $.18 per share.

According to Richard Hill, president, the company raised approximately $914,000 and netted approximately $774,000 in the offering. Global America Inc., an investment banker located at 110 Wall St., New York, managed the offering and was the placement agent.

Prior to the private placement, and after giving effect to the acquisition of Sixty-Eight Thousand Inc. (68000 Inc.) in Nov. 1989, the company had 13,430,908 shares outstanding. The company currently has 23,547,575 shares outstanding after giving effect to the offering and certain amendments to the terms of other securities issued as part of the private placement.

As part of the private placement, the company also issued an aggregate of 2,454,166 five-year warrants at an average exercise price of approximately $.15 per share for the warrants in the private placement units noted above and warrants associated with bridge loans during the private placement. The company also issued five-year warrants to the placement agent to purchase an additional 1,142,500 shares at an exercise price of $.14 per share.

The company also reported that unaudited revenues for the eight months ended Aug. 31, 1990 totalling approximately $224,000 on which it had a net loss. The company said that its wholly-owned subsidiary, 68000 Inc., a supplier of computer workstations compatible with Apple Computer's Macintosh software had recently begun to ship its new Dash 30fx workstation. This computer incorporates the 68030 microprocessor made by Motorola and Apple Computer's Macintosh series fx motherboard in conjunction with the company's expanded chassis, power supply, enhanced memory and peripherals to provide improved performance. The company expects to ship over $100,000 of this product in the

month of Sept. 1990

Macintosh Corp., formed in 1984, was an inactive public company until Nov. of 1989, and trades over the counter. 68000 Inc., its only operating subsidiary was formed as a California corporation in Sept. 1987 and is located in Scotts Valley.

CONTACT: Richard F. Hill or Stanton Creasey, both of Macintosh Corp., 408-438-1777

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#90269p8644 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HERSHEY, PA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Responding to the challenges facing utilities in the '90s requires more participatory, problem-solving cultures, firm control of costs, and the willingness on the part of both companies and regulators to take risks, Standley H. Hoch, chairman, president and chief executive officer of General Public Utilities Corp. (NYSE: GPU) told approximately 500 utility executives today.

Hoch's comments were made in the keynote address at the 83rd Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Electric Association, an organization of management personnel from Pennsylvania-based, investor-owned electric utilities. The meeting was also attended by state regulatory commissioners and legislators.

"Our industry is at a pivotal stage," Hoch said. "Those who succeed in today's more competitive environment will be those who act today with a focused view of what they want their companies to be tomorrow."

Hoch also told the meeting that the Middle East crisis is unlikely to have much direct impact on Pennsylvania utilities, since none are highly dependent on oil. "However," he said, "the rise in oil prices could send the nation into recession and upset the fragile economic resurgence we have helped to build in some of the areas we serve here in Pennsylvania."

The special challenges for utilities include increased competition coupled with a changing regulatory climate.

The ability to manage those changes will require the development of new company cultures equipped to anticipate competitive challenges and implement responsive strategies, Hoch said. Companies must define their vision and make that vision an integral part of the organization, he added.

Making that vision a reality, Hoch said, "requires that you build a participatory environment where all employees buy into the vision. It also requires empowering workers by listening to suggestions and by consulting them."

Parsippany, N.J.-based General Public Utilities is the nation's 15th largest investor-owned utility.

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#90269p8650 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

UNIVERSAL CITY, CA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - In light of the unusual market activity in MCA Inc. (NYSE: MCA) stock just prior to the close of trading, the New York Stock Exchange contacted the company and requested that the company issue a public statement indicating whether there are any corporate developments which may explain the unusual activity.

As MCA has previously stated, discussions with a major international company regarding a possible negotiated acquisition of MCA are continuing on a friendly basis. No agreement has been reached. There is no assurance that an agreement will be reached.

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#90269p8656 09/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (SEPT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: CCMM) Torrance, today announced operating results for the 1990 fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. For the 1990 fiscal year, revenue decreased to $6,124,000 from the $9,818,000 reported in the prior year resulting in a net loss of $2,982,000, compared to a net income of $229,000 in fiscal 1989.

Raymond E. High, president, stated that the major factors leading to the lower sales volume and loss for the year are due primarily to the predicted decline in sales for the company's older CC-80/85 Communications Processor Systems, particularly in the fourth quarter.

During fiscal 1990, the company's continued major development effort on DATA EXPRESS (tm) and InterOp/7000 product family and the lower sales volumes has seriously diminished financial resources. In July 1990, the company retained R.G. Dickinson & Co. of Des Moines, Iowa, to undertake the private placement of securities totalling $2,500,000 to $3,500,000. That private placement is not projected to be completed until Oct. 31, 1990. In the interim, the company is attempting to secure bridge financing.

High further stated, however, that the InterOp/7000 family of products has completed initial on-site customer testing and results to date are positive. The company expects a major share of total product revenue to come from this product family in fiscal 1991.

The company, in its 24th year, is a leading independent producer of equipment and systems which are an integral part of high-speed communications networks serving a broad spectrum of users. Its common stock is traded in the Over-the-Counter market and is regularly quoted on NASDAQ under the symbol of "CCMM."

CONTACT: L. Ronald Trepp, VP-finance, Computer Communications, 213-320-9101

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#90269t2301 09/26/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT. 26) TASS - ALCOHOLIC PATIENTS DOWNED TOOLS AT THE BUGULMA WORK AND TREATMENT CENTER IN THE BASHKIR AUTONOMOUS REPUBLIC, THE TRUD NEWSPAPER REPORTS TODAY.

THE STRIKE WAS DECLARED IN PROTEST AGAINST WORKING AND LIVING CONDITIONS AT THE CENTER.

STRIKERS DEMAND THAT THE ADMINISTRATION DEAL WITH ALCOHOLICS AS PATIENTS AND NOT AS PRISONERS: TO BANISH ESCORTS, GUARDS, PUNISHMENT CELLS, LIMITATIONS ON THE RECEPTION OF PARCELS FROM HOME AND MEETINGS WITH RELATIVES.

PATIENTS ALSO PROTESTED AGAINST COERCIVE METHODS OF TREATMENT AND LENGTHY TERMS OF INTERNMENT IN CLOSED-TYPE ESTABLISHMENTS (TREATMENT AT CLINICS FOR ALCOHOLICS LASTS 45 DAYS).

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#90269t2303 09/26/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPT. 26) TASS - IT TOOK LESS THAN A YEAR FOR THE SOVIET-CANADIAN JOINT VENTURE MOSCOW-MCDONALD'S TO SERVE AS MANY PEOPLE AS LIVE IN THE SOVIET CAPITAL. THE RESTAURANT NOW CATERS TO OVER ONE MILLION PEOPLE A MONTH.

MCDONALD'S SOVIET PERSONNEL ENSURE THE SUCCESSFUL OPERATION OF MCCOMPLEX, A PROCUREMENT FACTORY OF THE MCDONALD'S FIRM IN THE MOSCOW SUBURB OF SOLNTSEVO.

THIS PROCESSING COMPLEX, WITH AN AREA OF 10,000 SQUARE METERS, EMPLOYING ABOUT 300 PEOPLE, INCLUDES A MEAT-PACKING LINE, A DAIRY SHOP, A BAKERY AND A POTATO-PROCESSING SECTION.

THE COMPLEX HAS EVEN ITS OWN QUALITY-CONTROL LABORATORY. ACCORDING TO COMPLEX DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR QUALITY CONTROL TERRY WILLIAMS, THE PERSONNEL ARE DOING THEIR BEST TO GUARANTEE HIGH-QUALITY HAMBURGERS, BIG MACS AND MILK SHAKES TO SOVIET FAST-FOOD DEVOTEES.

ALL INGREDIENTS ARE LOCALLY PRODUCED. MILK IS BROUGHT FROM SOVIET DAIRIES IN MOSCOW REGION. FLOUR, YEAST AND SUGAR ARE ALSO PURCHASED AT THE LOCAL MARKET.

DUTCH SPECIALISTS WORKING AT THE FIRM HELPED AGRONOMISTS ON FOUR FARMS IN MOSCOW REGION TO GROW THE BAREBANCKS DAWN POTATO VARIETY, MOST SUITABLE FOR THE PRODUCTION OF FRENCH FRIES.

THE VENTURE'S BUSINESS MANAGER MARINA TULUPNIKOVA SAID THAT MOSCOW-MCDONALD'S IS A LARGE CHARITY DONOR. MCDONALD'S CANADIAN PRESIDENT GEORGE COHEN WAS THE FIRST FOREIGNER TO JOIN THE BOARD OF THE SOVIET CHILDREN'S FUND.

HE HELPED COLLECT ABOUT 1.5 MILLION DOLLARS TO BUILD A REHABILITATION CENTRE FOR INVALID CHILDREN IN MOSCOW. THE VENTURE TRANSFERRED 100,000 ROUBLES TO THE FUND.

NEVERTHELESS, IT WOULD BE WRONG TO SAY THAT ALL MUSCOVITES ARE SATISFIED WITH MCDONALD'S. SOME ARE DETERRED BY HIGH PRICES: VISITORS SPEND, ON AVERAGE, ABOUT TEN ROUBLES IN THE SHOP.

FOR MANY, THIS IS MUCH MORE THAN THEIR DAILY PAY. CUSTOMERS FEEL THE SPEED OF SERVICE ONLY IN THE RESTAURANT: THEY HAVE TO QUEUE FOR AN HOUR OR MORE BEFORE GETTING INSIDE.

MCDONALD'S PLANS TO BUILD 19 MORE RESTAURANTS IN MOSCOW.

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#90269u0024 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

BALTIMORE (SEPT. 26) UPI - The first emergency shipment of rice to reach Liberia since the start nine months ago of a gruesome civil war in the West African nation has reached a strategic port city, according to a major relief organization.

Catholic Relief Services officials Tuesday said the shipment - part of a 30,810-metric-ton allocation of rice, vegetable oil, beans, peas and blended commodities - has reached the port of Buchanan.

Officials hope to quickly distribute 1,000 tons of U.S. government- donated rice throughout Liberia to citizens left hungry by a widespread civil war that gripped much of the nation.

The Baltimore-based relief agency had provided emergency assistance in Liberia and neighboring countries since shortly after the outbreak of fighting in December. CRS efforts focused on using food stocks already available in Liberia, but its workers were forced to evacuate during heavy fighting in August.

Relief workers returned to implement the current program in September, and the arrival of the first shipment comes amid widespread food shortages and reports of starvation in Monrovia, the capital.

CRS officials said another shipment of food is expected to arrive in Buchanan from San Pedro, Ivory Coast in the near future, augmenting the 1,000 tons of rice that is expected to feed an initial 140,000 people for a month. The full allocation is expected to feed 770,000 people for several months, officials said.

Initially, CRS will distribute the rice to the most accessible parts of Liberia in missions, schools, hospitals and other community centers around Buchanan and in Grand Bassa, Nimba, Bong, Lofa, River Cess, Margibi and Montserrado counties.

Because hostile troops loyal to slain President Samuel Doe are thought to be active in Sino, Grand Jide and Maryland counties, there will be no initial attempt to distribute food in those regions, officials said.

Regular food shipments into Liberia ceased months ago when rebels seized the ports of Buchanan and the Liberian capital of Monrovia.

Monrovia remains inaccessible because of heavy fighting between rival rebel groups, who in addition to battling each other are fighting troops loyal to Doe.

CRS officials said a cease-fire that went into effect Saturday has brought some temporary stability. If security can be assured, the relief agency plans to distribute food in the capital.

Rebel leader Charles Taylor claims to be president of Liberia, commanding a much larger force than rival Prince Johnson, whose troops captured Doe on Sept. 9, and soon after reported his demise. Both men have agreed to cease hostilities, and a large West African peace-keeping force has been deployed in Monrovia.

Taylor, leader of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia and self- proclaimed president, will meet Johnson at Freeport on Friday, according to sources close to the West Africa peacekeeping force.

Liberia was founded by freed American slaves in 1822 and became Africa's first republic in 1847. Until 1980 it was ruled by descendants of its American founders.

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#90269u0084 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Baltimore at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Seattle at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Toronto at Milwaukee, 8:35 p.m.
Oakland at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.
California at Texas, 8:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
San Diego at San Francisco, 3:35 p.m.
New York at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Atlanta at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Houston, 8:35 p.m.

GAMES

Beijing - Asian Games

TENNIS

Basel, Switzeralnd - $500,000 Swiss Indoors
Brisbane, Austrailia - $200,000 Queensland Open.
Estoril, Portugal - $100,000 Estoril Open
Palermo, Sicily - $350,000 International Championsips of Sicily

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#90269u0104 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 26) UPI - Former Philippines first lady Imelda Marcos was in Pittsburgh Tuesday. She testified under a grant of immunity before a federal grand jury investigating allegations that Westinghouse paid a 17-Million-dollar bribe to her late husband. Marcos' lawyer says she is NOT the target of the probe stemming from the construction of a nuclear power plant in the Philippines. The Justice Department would NOT identify the object of the investigation.

Republican Party officials in Alaska confirm that the G-O-P ticket for governor and lieutenant governor changed after invitations to a two-thousand-dollar-a-plate fund-raiser were mailed. R-S-V-P's for the October 9th affair in Washington were trickling in when gubernatorial candidate Arliss Sturgulewski and her running mate, Jack Coghill, split up. They will oppose each other in the November election. In the meantime, G-O-P officials say they will follow up the ''generally pretty expensive'' invitations with a ''correction letter.''

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#90269u0127 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 26) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASKETBALL

Denver - Named Jim Boyle assistant coach.

LA Lakers - Acquired swingman Terry Teagle from Golden State for their 1991 first- round draft choice; traded center Mark McNamara to San Antonio for future considerations.

Minnesota - Hired Walt Perrin as a full- time scout.

Philadelphia - Extended contract of coach Jim Lynam 2 years; signed guard Brian Oliver to 4-year contract.

COLLEGE

Big Ten - Named Charles D. Waddell conference assistant commissioner.

Denver - Named Jerry Cook men's and women's tennis coach.

Drexel - Athletic directors John Semanik and Mary Semanik retired.

North Adams State - Named Jim Kelly head men's basketball coach and Dan Winter assistant.

FOOTBALL

Dallas - Traded quarterback Steve Walsh to New Orleans for three draft picks.

Denver - Placed cornerback Tyrone Braxton and tight end Chris Verhulst on injured reserve; re-signed linebacker Rick Dennison and cornerback Bruce Plummer.

New Orleans - Released quarterback Tommy Kramer.

HOCKEY

Edmonton - Assigned defenseman Heikki Riihijarvi to Cape Breton of the American Hockey League.

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#90269u0160 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 26) UPI - The United Nations Security Council got tougher with Iraq Tuesday. By a 14-1 vote, the council ordered an air traffic embargo on Iraq in

retaliation for its invasion of Kuwait August 2nd. The measure allows governments to ground aircraft or deny the overflight of their territories to planes suspected of carrying goods to the two Persian Gulf countries. .

Iraq's President Saddam Hussein commented on the U-N-imposed embargo against his country in his videotaped message to the American people Tuesday. Saddam criticized the land and sea blockade and the proposed air blockade. In his words- ''Thousands of children in Iraq will die because of malnutrition.''

The Catholic Relief Services in Baltimore reports that the first emergency shipment of food to reach Liberia since civil war began in the West African nation nine months ago. Officials say the shipment includes rice, beans, peas and vegetable oil. It comes amid widespread food shortages and reports of starvation in Monrovia, the capital. Regular food shipments into Liberia ceased months ago when rebels seized Monrovia and the port of Buchanan.

Hundreds of Social Democratic delegates from East and West Germany are in Berlin for a three-day party congress that begins Wednesday. At the meeting, the East and West German Social Democratic parties will end 44 years of division... formally merging into a single party that will compete against Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union in the December 2nd federal election. That election will be the first in a unified Germany.

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#90269u0163 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - Health officials in North Carolina say the surgeon general's report is the first good health news in 21 years of anti-smoking reports. U-S Surgeon General Antonia Novello says quitting smoking is the ''single most important step'' smokers can take to lengthen their lives. Dr. Elizabeth Cambell, a professor of oncology at the University of North Carolina, says- ''This is the first surgeon general to document the benefits of quitting.''

The sister-in-law of a South Boston man who won three-point-six- Million dollars in the lottery earlier this month says the stress of being instantly rich killed him. William Curry won the September 8th drawing and took a couple of weeks off from work. On Monday, he returned to his job as a cafeteria cook and suffered a fatal heart attack. Curry was 37-years old and left behind a wife and two young children.

Soviet President Gorbachev has turned the Soviet Union upside down with reforms. On Tuesday, he proposed a new name for it- the Union of Sovereign Socialist States. Gorbachev's suggestion would mean that the country could NO longer be called the U-S-S-R... which stands for the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. Other suggests made by lawmakers include ''Union of Soviet Sovereign Republics'' and ''Union of European-Asian Republics.''

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#90269u0189 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 26) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	89	65	.578	-	47-30	42-35	5-5	W-2
New York	86	68	.558	3	51-27	35-41	4-6	W-1
Montreal	81	73	.526	8	43-30	38-43	5-5	L-5
Chicago	73	81	.474	16	39-42	34-39	5-5	L-1
Philadel.	73	81	.474	16	39-37	34-44	7-3	L-1
St. Louis	69	85	.448	20	34-44	35-41	4-6	W-1
West								
Cincinnati	87	67	.565	-	42-31	45-36	6-4	L-1
Los Angeles	84	71	.542	3 1/2	45-33	39-38	8-2	W-2
San Fran.	80	75	.516	7 1/2	44-29	36-45	5-5	W-3
San Diego	71	84	.458	16 1/2	37-44	34-40	3-7	L-7
Houston	70	85	.452	17 1/2	45-32	25-53	4-6	L-4
Atlanta	63	91	.409	24	37-43	26-48	4-6	W-3

-30- 1005
#90269u0243 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Virtually all packaged foods should have labels that explain their nutritional content, including meals served in fast food restaurants, an expert panel recommended Wednesday.

The panel, going one step farther than recent government proposals, called for ''mandatory and uniform nutrition labeling'' for all packaged foods, as well as development of new federal regulations for labeling fresh produce, meat, fish and poultry, and restaurant meals, particularly those served by fast-food chains.

''If consumers are to make the dietary adjustments recommended by the health care community, they must be able to make informed judgments across the full spectrum of their daily shopping, cooking and eating decisions,'' said the report from the Institute of Medicine, which is part of the National Academy of Sciences.

''The lack of relevant information and the inconsistency of label formats among products are significant deterrents to making informed choices,'' the committee said.

Only about half of packaged foods carry nutritional labeling. Federal regulations require nutrition labeling only on foods with nutrients added or if the food's producer makes nutritional claims.

In March, Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan announced the first major government effort to improve food labeling in 17 years, saying the changes are needed to reduce the ''confusion and frustration'' that exists among Americans trying to choose healthful foods.

The label changes outlined by Sullivan would require foods to bear consistent nutritional labels, listing such nutrients as fat, fiber, cholesterol and calories from fat. Other proposed steps include establishing uniform serving sizes, and standardizing currently unregulated descriptions like ''low fat'' and ''high fiber.''

The new report was requested by the Food and Drug Administration and the Department of Agriculture, which regulate most foods consumed by Americans, ''to consider how food labels could be improved to help consumers adopt or adhere to healthy diets.''

The panel endorsed food labels that highlight content of fat, cholesterol, sodium and fiber to help consumers select foods that meet guidelines for reducing the risk of illnesses influenced by diet, such as heart disease and cancer.

In addition, the committee suggested formulation of new regulations to prevent confusion or deception over terms, such as ''lite,'' ''low calorie'' and ''natural,'' that manufacturers use to promote their food products as healthful.

While enactment of the committee's recommendations would simply expand and make uniform labeling already on many packaged foods, restaurants and fresh products would fall under a new arena of regulation.

Noting that Americans spend more than 40 percent of their food budgets on food prepared away from home, the panel took particular aim at fast-food restaurants, suggesting mandatory nutritional labeling for all meals or food items sold in standardized form. It also supported requiring other restaurants to make general nutritional information on menu items available to customers on request.

Because many fresh products - produce, meats, poultry and fish - are sold without packaging, the committee recommended retailers be required to post nutritional information for about 20 of the largest selling foods in each category. Accordingly, consumers would be able to readily compare the fat content of a steak to a chicken breast, or learn the fiber content in an average apple.

Under the committee's recommendations, only a few foods would be exempt from nutritional labeling, either because their packaging is too small to accomodate readable labels or because they have little nutritional value, such as tea bags or bottled water.

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#90269u0246 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 26) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Miller rf	5	1	0	0	Raines lf	4	0	2	0
Herr 2b	3	0	1	0	Deshields 2b	3	1	0	0
Boston cf	1	1	0	0	Galarraga 1b	4	0	0	0
Teufel 2b	4	1	1	0	Wallach 3b	4	0	1	0
McReynlds lf	4	0	2	0	Fitzgerald c	4	0	1	1
Tabler rf	3	0	1	0	Grissom rf	1	0	1	0
Magadan 1b	1	0	1	2	Walker rf	1	0	0	0
Jefferies 3b	4	0	1	0	Burke p	0	0	0	0
Johnson ss	4	0	1	0	Ruskin p	0	0	0	0
Obrien c	3	0	1	0	Aldrete ph	1	0	0	0
Fernandez p	2	0	0	0	DaMartinz rf	3	0	0	0
Whitehurst p	0	0	0	0	Owen ss	3	0	0	0
Reed ph	1	0	0	0	Nabholz p	2	0	0	0
Pena p	1	0	0	0	Nixon cf	1	0	0	0
Totals	36	3	9	2	Totals	31	1	5	1

New York	001	000	200-	3
Montreal	000	100	000-	1

E-Wallach, Galarraga, Fernandez. DP-Montreal 1. LOB-New York 9, Montreal 5.
3B-Tabler. SB-Grissom (21), Miller (16).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Fernandez	3 1-3	1	1	1	2	5
Whitehurst	1 2-3	3	0	0	0	1
Pena (W 3-3)	4	1	0	0	0	5
Montreal						
Nabholz (L 6-1)	6 1-3	7	3	2	3	7
Burke	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Ruskin	2	1	0	0	0	3

WP-Burke.

Umpires-Home, Demuth; 1b, Gregg; 2b, Crawford; 3b, Harvey.

T-3:08. A-11,959.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Walton cf	3	1	0	0	Redus 1b	3	0	1	0
Sandberg 2b	4	1	1	0	Bream 1b	0	0	0	0
Grace 1b	4	0	2	1	Bell ss	2	2	1	1
Dawson rf	3	0	0	1	VanSlyke cf	3	0	2	2
May lf	4	0	0	0	Bonilla rf	4	0	1	1
Berryhill c	2	0	0	0	Bonds lf	4	0	0	0
Long p	0	0	0	0	King 3b	4	1	2	1
Williams p	0	0	0	0	Slaught c	3	0	0	0
Pavlas p	0	0	0	0	Backman ph	1	0	0	0
Dunston ss	3	1	1	1	LaValliere c	0	0	0	0
Wilkerson 3b	3	0	0	0	Lind 2b	4	0	0	0
Wilson p	2	0	0	0	Drabek p	4	2	2	0
Girardi c	1	0	0	0					
Totals	29	3	4	3	Totals	32	5	9	5

Chicago	210	000	000	- 3
Pittsburgh	000	021	20x	- 5

E-Wilson. DP-Pittsburgh 2. LOB- Chicago 2, Pittsburgh 7. 2B-Drabek, Van Slyke. 3B-Bell. HR-Dunston (17), King (14). S-Redus.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Wilson (L 4-9)	6 1-3	7	4	4	2	7
Long	0	0	1	1	1	0
Williams	1-3	2	0	0	0	0
Pavlas	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	2
Pittsburgh						
Drabek (W 21-6)	9	4	3	3	3	7

Long pitched to 1 batter in 7th.

Umpires-Home, McSherry; 1b, Montague; 2b, Davidson; 3b, Williams.

T-2:29. A-21,644.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
LSmith lf	4	3	2	1	Hatcher lf	4	0	1	0
Berroa lf	0	0	0	0	Duncan 2b	4	0	0	0
Treadway 2b	4	1	1	1	Larkin ss	3	0	1	0
Gant cf	4	2	1	2	Davis lf	3	0	1	0
Justice rf	4	1	3	4	Winnnghm cf	0	0	0	0
Cabrera 1b	2	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	4	0	1	0

Gregg 1b	0	0	0	0	Braggs rf	3	0	1	0
Vatcher ph	1	0	0	0	Morris 1b	1	0	0	0
Bell 1b	1	0	0	0	Layana p	0	0	0	0
Blauser ss	4	0	1	0	Rodriguez p	0	0	0	0
Lemke 3b	4	1	2	0	Lee 1b	2	0	0	0
Mann c	4	1	1	1	Oliver c	3	0	0	0
Glavine p	1	1	0	1	Charlton p	1	0	0	0
Kremers ph	1	0	0	0	Benzinger 1b	2	0	1	0
Grant p	0	0	0	0	Brown p	0	0	0	0
					Dibble p	0	0	0	0
					Myers p	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	10	11	10	Totals	30	0	6	0

Atlanta	001	061	101-10
Cincinnati	000	000	000- 0

E-B Hatcher. DP-Atlanta 3, Cincinnati 2. LOB-Atlanta 4, Cincinnati 7. 2B-Sabo, Lemke. HR-Smith (9), Mann (1), Justice (28), Gant (30). SF-Glavine, Treadway.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Glavine (W 10-11)	7	5	0	0	4	6
Grant	2	1	0	0	0	1
Cincinnati						
Charlton (L 12-8)	4 1-3	6	7	7	4	1
Layana	1 2-3	1	1	1	1	0
Rodriguez	1	2	1	1	0	2
Brown	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Dibble	2-3	1	1	0	0	1
Myers	2-3	1	0	0	0	1

Umpires-Home, Rennert; 1b, Tata; 2b, Quick; 3b, Bonin.

T-2:34. A-25,095.

ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Gilkey lf	4	1	2	0	Campusan cf	5	0	3	0
Pena 2b	2	0	0	1	Ready 2b	5	0	1	0
Lankford cf	1	0	0	0	CHayes 3b	4	0	0	0
Jose cf	3	0	0	0	Murphy rf	4	0	1	0
Guerrero 1b	3	0	0	0	Jordan 1b	4	0	1	0
Brewer 1b	0	0	0	0	Meadows pr	0	0	0	0
Hudler 3b	3	0	0	0	Kruk 1b	0	0	0	0
Perez p	0	0	0	0	Daulton c	2	0	0	0
Dayley p	0	0	0	0	Thon ss	4	0	2	0

Wilson rf	3	0	0	0	Chamberln lf	3	0	2	0
Smith ss	3	0	0	0	Booker ph	0	0	0	0
Stephens c	3	0	0	0	Hollins ph	1	0	0	0
Magrane p	2	0	0	0	Mulholland p	3	0	0	0
Oquendo 2b	1	0	0	0	VHayes ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	28	1	2	1	Totals	36	0	10	0

St. Louis	100	000	000-	1
Philadelphia	000	000	000-	0

E-Hudler. DP-St Louis 1. LOB-St Louis 1, Philadelphia 11. 2B-Campusano, Gilkey. 3B-Gilkey. SB-Thon (11), Chamberlain (3). SF-Pena.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Magrane (W 10-16)	7	8	0	0	1	2
Perez	1	1	0	0	1	1
Dayley (S 2)	1	1	0	0	0	1
Philadelphia						
Mulholland (L 8-10)	9	2	1	1	0	2

Umpires-Home, Pulli; 1b, Rippley; 2b, Darling; 3b, Froemming.

T-2:02. A-13,615.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Harris 3b	3	0	0	0	Yelding ss	5	0	0	0
Gibson cf	4	1	2	0	Young cf	4	0	0	0
Daniels lf	3	0	1	0	Anthony rf	4	0	0	0
Offerman ss	1	0	0	0	Agosto p	0	0	0	0
Griffin ss	0	0	0	0	Davis 1b	5	0	0	0
Murray 1b	3	1	0	1	Stubbs lf	4	1	2	1
Brooks rf	5	1	3	2	Caminiti 3b	4	0	0	0
Scioscia c	5	0	0	0	Gedman c	3	0	1	0
Samuel 2b	4	0	1	0	Cedeno pr	0	0	0	0
Gonzalez lf	1	0	0	0	Nichols c	0	0	0	0
Sharpersn ss	3	0	1	0	Candaele 2b	3	0	0	0
Martinez p	2	0	0	0	Scott p	2	0	0	0
Javier ph	1	0	0	0	Meyer p	0	0	0	0
Crews p	0	0	0	0	Rhodes ph	1	0	1	0
Poole p	0	0	0	0	Osuna p	0	0	0	0
Gott p	0	0	0	0	Clancy p	0	0	0	0
Gwynn ph	1	0	0	0	Gonzalez ph	1	0	1	0
Howell p	0	0	0	0	Davidson rf	0	0	0	0
Totals	36	3	8	3	Totals	36	1	5	1

Los Angeles	000	000	010	2-	3
Houston	010	000	000	0-	1

E-Sharperson. LOB-Los Angeles 10, Houston 11. 2B-Gibson, Gedman, Sharperson, Stubbs, Gonzalez. 3B-Rhodes. HR-Stubbs (21), Brooks (20). SB-Samuel (38), Young (6), Stubbs (17). SF-Murray.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Martinez	6	2	1	1	3	4
Crews	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Poole	0	1	0	0	0	0
Gott	1-3	0	0	0	2	0
Howell (W 5-5)	2	1	0	0	0	3
Houston						
Scott	5	2	0	0	3	2
Meyer	2	2	0	0	0	0
Osuna	2-3	2	1	1	0	0
Clancy	1 1-3	1	0	0	1	1
Agosto (L 9-8)	1	1	2	2	1	0

Poole pitched to one batter in the eighth.

HBP-Stubbs by Martinez, Gibson by Osuna.

Umpires-Home, Hallion; 1b, West; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Hirschbeck.

T-3:23. A-7,093.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Cora 2b	4	1	2	0	Butler cf	4	1	1	0
Templeton ss	4	0	1	0	Kingery lf	4	0	1	1
JaClark 1b	3	0	1	1	WClark 1b	4	0	0	0
JCarter lf	4	0	0	0	MaWillims 3b	4	0	2	0
Santiago c	4	0	0	0	Bass rf	3	0	0	0
Pagliarulo 3b	4	0	1	0	Thompson 2b	2	0	1	0
JeClark rf	3	0	1	0	Decker c	4	1	1	1
Stephensn ph	1	0	0	0	Benjamin ss	4	1	2	1
DarJacksn cf	3	0	0	0	Reuschel p	0	0	0	0
Benes p	2	0	1	0	Laga ph	1	0	0	0
Lampkin ph	1	0	0	0	Dewey p	1	0	0	0
Harris p	0	0	0	0	Riles ph	1	0	0	0
					Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	1	7	1	Totals	32	3	8	3

San Diego	100	000	000-	1
San Francisco	100	101	00x-	3

E-Ja Clark, Cora. DP-San Diego 1, San Francisco 1. LOB-San Diego 6, San Francisco 9. 2B-Cora, Butler, Benes, Templeton. HR-Decker (3), Benjamin (2). S-Reuschel.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Benes (L 10-10)	6	8	3	3	2	7
Harris	2	0	0	0	1	2
San Francisco						
Reuschel	4	5	1	1	1	5
Dewey (W 1-0)	4	2	0	0	0	0
Bedrosian (S 15)	1	0	0	0	0	1

Umpires-Home, Runge; 1b, Hohn; 2b, Davis; 3b, Layne.

T-2:32. A-10,195.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International: .

At least 16 people were shot and killed yesterday while playing soccer on a ranch near Cali, Colombia. Police say a dozen men dressed in military uniforms entered the ranch and opened fire. A government spokesman says the massacre apparently was an attack by one of the South American nation's cocaine cartels on another drug ring.

White House and congressional negotiators began another late session on slashing the federal budget deficit last night . House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois hinted the Bush administration may drop its insistence that capital gains taxes be cut. Michel says there are other ways of simulating the economy.

The U-N Security Council has ordered an air traffic embargo added to the naval embargo against Iraq. The Council says governments should NOT allow planes to take off for Iraq or Kuwait if they carry cargo other than medical supplies and food. Nations are asked to deny air rights to planes suspected of carrying banned goods.

A California appeals court has refused to lower the five-Million- dollar bail

for businessman Charles Keating, who is being held on criminal charges. The former Lincoln Savings and Loan chief is accused of defrauding elderly investors by selling junk bonds. The court gave NO reason for turning down the petition for lower bond.

The government says most foods Americans eat are free of pesticides or have only traces of the chemicals. The Food and Drug Administration says 99 percent of domestic food and 96 percent of imported food has residues within allowable levels. Acting Commissioner James Benson says- ''The American food supply is the safest in the world.''

-30- 1924

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - Senators who want to increase gasoline mileage standards for motor vehicles have shelved their bill until next year. The chief sponsor, Senator Richard Bryan, says- ''To reduce our dependence on foreign oil, we must improve our automobile fuel economy.'' The Nevada Democrat unexpectedly lost a test vote yesterday and withdrew the bill.

The director of a suicide hotline in Toronto says the yuppie suicide rate is rising. Gordon Winch says 64 of last year's suicides in Toronto were among people aged 30 to 39- the yuppie years. He reports an increasing number of affluent young people are calling the Toronto Distress Center hotline.

Two gun battles in the disputed Kashmir area along the India-Pakistan border have killed 13 people. Police say security forces intercepted Moslems who were crossing into India from Pakistan and the shooting followed. All of those killed were Moslems. Militant Moslems have been fighting for Kashmir's independence.

New York City police say youths in Brooklyn mistook two young Canadians for muggers and beat them with baseball bats. The tourists, aged 19 and 20, had stopped their car and one helped an old woman cross a street. They returned to the car, she fell and the tourists were helping her up when 10 to 12 teen-agers attacked them.

About 50-thousand teachers will be going to school tonight in 22- hundred K mart stores. They will watch a program broadcast by satellite by the Department of Education to learn new methods of teaching. The department says most students are NOT able to handle even moderately challenging math problems.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak

East								
Toronto	84	71	.542	-	44-37	40-34	7-3	L-1
Boston	82	72	.532	1 1/2	46-28	36-44	1-9	L-3
Detroit	75	79	.487	8 1/2	36-40	38-40	4-6	L-1
Cleveland	74	81	.477	10	39-37	35-44	9-1	W-1
Baltimore	71	82	.464	12	38-39	33-43	5-5	L-1
Milwaukee	70	84	.454	13 1/2	35-39	35-45	2-8	W-1
New York	63	92	.406	21	35-41	28-51	3-7	W-1
West								
x-Oakland	97	56	.634	-	50-28	48-28	7-3	W-1
Chicago	89	65	.578	9	45-30	44-35	7-3	L-1
Texas	80	74	.519	18	45-32	35-42	4-6	L-4
California	77	77	.500	21	41-36	36-41	5-5	W-2
Seattle	74	81	.477	24 1/2	39-43	35-38	3-7	L-4
Kansas City	72	82	.468	26	45-35	27-47	4-6	L-1
Minnesota	71	84	.458	27 1/2	39-39	32-45	6-4	W-2

x-clinched division title.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - Kansas City got all the preseason hype and Chicago made a nice run before fading. But in the end it was the Oakland Athletics for the third straight year.

The A's, riding Dave Stewart's five-hitter and Rickey Henderson's three hits, clinched their third straight American League West title with a 5-0 triumph over the Kansas City Royals.

The victory makes the A's baseball's first divisional ''3-peaters'' since the New York Yankees, Kansas City Royals and Philadelphia Phillies in 1976, '77 and '78.

''I know people don't always see it this way but the toughest thing in baseball is to win the division,'' Oakland Manager Tony La Russa said. ''It's tough to do it once. It staggers me how things have to keep coming together to win it three times. But now we have to go on farther.''

The A's are currently a battered Western champion.

With the ALCS starting Oct. 6, the A's can afford to rest some of their injured starters for the playoffs. Jose Canseco, who sat out Tuesday, has a jammed finger and sore back, outfielder Dave Henderson is coming off knee surgery, outfielder Willie McGee has been bothered by a hamstring, third baseman Carney Lansford has a back problem, and Rickey Henderson is recovering from a jammed thumb.

The thumb didn't seem to slow Rickey Tuesday.

His 3-for-3 night boosted his batting average to .324, just six points behind the Royals' George Brett, who went 1 for 4 for an AL-best .330 mark.

Henderson, who also stole his 63rd base in the sixth inning to move within four of tying Lou Brock's all-time record, also had a run-in with Kansas City Manager John Wathan.

Wathan ordered Henderson intentionally walked in the eighth. Visibly upset, Henderson let Wathan know how he felt on the way to first, shouting at the Manager in the dugout.

''I didn't like it and I told him I didn't like it,'' Rickey Henderson said. ''After all, the score was 4-0 in the eighth inning. If he wants to help George Brett win the batting title, why doesn't he just not play him?''

''The batting race had nothing to do with it,'' Wathan said. ''I think Rickey was just caught up with the heat of the situation.

''Our hats are off to the A's. It's hard to win a World Series and not suffer a letdown but they sure haven't had one.''

Stewart, 22-10, struck out six and walked two in recording his fourth shutout. The victory marked a career high and was the fifth in a row for Stewart, who won 21 games in each of the last three seasons.

''You can't write it much better,'' Stewart said. ''We've learned you can't get too high in this game and your lows can't be too low.

''We have a great deal more baseball to play. When the final victory is there, we're going to have a great time.''

Elsewhere in the AL, Cleveland scalped Boston 5-2, Milwaukee topped Toronto 8-4, Detroit downed Seattle 4-1, New York blasted Baltimore 15- 3, Minnesota nipped Chicago 4-3, and California ripped Texas 8-2.

In the National League, it was: New York 3, Montreal 1; St. Louis 1, Philadelphia 0; Pittsburgh 5, Chicago 3; Atlanta 10, Cincinnati 0; Los Angeles 3, Houston 1 in 10 innings and San Francisco 3, San Diego 1.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Indians 5, Red Sox 2

At Boston, Jerry Browne collected two RBI and Sandy Alomar homered to lead the Indians over the slumping Red Sox. Boston, which has lost 15 of its last 21

games, trails first-place Toronto by 1 1/2 games in the AL East. Greg Swindell 12-8, was the winner and Doug Jones pitched the ninth for his 41st save. Boston starter Greg Harris, 13-9, suffered the loss.

Brewers 8, Blue Jays 4

At Milwaukee, B.J. Surhoff drove in four runs and Robin Yount added three RBI, preventing the Blue Jays from building their lead in the AL East. Bill Krueger 6-8, allowed three runs and seven hits in six innings for his first victory since July 19. Bud Black, 12-11, allowed five runs and six hits for the loss. The Brewers had lost seven straight.

Tigers 4, Mariners 1

At Detroit, pinch hitter Larry Sheets hit a three-run homer in the bottom of the ninth inning to lift the Tigers. Sheets hit a 1-0 pitch into the upper deck in right for his 10th homer. Reliever Rich DeLucia, 1-1 took the loss while Mike Henneman, 8-6, picked up the victory.

Yankees 15, Orioles 3

At New York, Roberto Kelly led off with a home run, triggering a record-tying succession of eight hits in the first inning as the Yankees rolled to the victory. Kelly's home run kicked off a 16-hit attack that allowed Dave Eiland, 1-1, to coast. Anthony Telford, 3-3, lasted just six batters, none of whom he retired.

Twins 4, White Sox 3

At Chicago, Gary Gaetti hit a three-run homer and Shane Mack singled in the go-ahead run in the fifth. The loss, combined with Oakland's victory, gave the A's the title. Mark Guthrie, 7-8, went 6 2-3 innings in winning for the first time in four starts. Rick Aguilera got three outs for his 30th save. Jack McDowell, 13-9, was the loser.

Angels 8, Rangers 2

At Arlington, Texas, Jack Howell keyed a five-run sixth inning with a two-run double and Scott Lewis was a winner in his major league debut. Texas' Bobby Witt, 17-10, lost for only the second time in his last 18 starts. Lewis, 1-0, allowed seven hits in 7 1-3 innings.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - Doug Drabek was on the mound, but he didn't start throwing the ball until Pittsburgh Manager Jim Leyland told him to.

Drabek shook off a bad start against the Chicago Cubs to rally the Pirates to a 5-3 victory Tuesday, reducing the Pirates' magic number for clinching the National League East to six games.

Drabek, at 21-6 the NL's winningest pitcher, used his arm and his bat to bring the Pirates' back from a 3-0 deficit.

In the first inning, Drabek walked leadoff man Jerome Walton and then gave up back-to-back singles to Ryne Sandberg and Mark Grace, producing a 1-0 Chicago lead.

Grace's hit brought Leyland out of the dugout.

''It was like I was just tossing it up there,'' Drabek said. ''Jim came out and asked me if everything was all right, and I said, 'Yes.' He said, 'Then start throwing the ball.'''

Drabek made good use of that advice. After allowing Andre Dawson's RBI groundout, he escaped further damage.

Drabek yielded Shawon Dunston's 17th homer in the second before finding his rhythm. He allowed a single in the third, a one-out walk in the fourth and then retired 15 straight batters.

''I was able to hold my concentration after the first two innings, and I was able to keep myself calm,'' Drabek said. ''A couple years ago I wouldn't have been able to do that.''

The right-hander gave up four hits, three runs and two walks over the first 3 1-3 innings but allowed only one walk the rest of the way. He notched his eighth complete game of the year.

At the plate, he doubled and scored the Pirates' first run in the fifth and singled and scored the Pirates' tie-breaking run off losing starter Steve Wilson, 4-9, in the seventh.

''He showed today that he not only has a God-given ability to throw a baseball but he has a heart,'' said Andy Van Slyke, who drove in two runs with a single and a double.

''It looked like he didn't have anything the first three innings. With Doug, people think he just goes out there, and it's easy for him.''

It seemed that way to Chicago Manager Don Zimmer, who watched his team's lead crumble.

''I'm trying to win,'' he said. ''I send in a right-hander against a right-handed hitter, he walks a guy. I send in a leftie to face a left- handed

hitter, he gives up a hit. That's just about the way our season's went all year.''

Both the Pirates and second-place New York Mets have eight games left. They conclude the season in Pittsburgh with a three-game series.

Elsewhere in the National League, New York defeated Montreal 3-1, St. Louis blanked Philadelphia 1-0, Atlanta routed Cincinnati 10-0, Los Angeles beat Houston 3-1 in 10 innings and San Francisco slipped by San Diego 3-1.

In the American League, it was, New York 15, Baltimore 3; Cleveland 5, Boston 2; Detroit 4, Seattle 1; Milwaukee 8, Toronto 4; Minnesota 4, Chicago 3; Oakland 5, Kansas City 0 and California 8, Texas 2.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Mets 3, Expos 1

At Montreal, pinch hitter Dave Magadan singled in two runs in the seventh inning, helping New York keep pace in the NL East. Alejandro Pena, the third Mets pitcher, pitched four innings of one-hit ball to improve to 3-3. Chris Nabholz, 6-1, suffered the loss.

Cardinals 1, Phillies 0

At Philadelphia, Bernard Gilkey tripled and doubled for the only hits allowed by Philadelphia's Terry Mulholland, 8-10. Gilkey scored on a sacrifice fly byGeronimo Pena. Joe Magrane, 10-16, combined on the shutout with Mike Perez and Ken Dayley, who earned his second save.

Braves 10, Reds 0

At Cincinnati, Ron Gant reached the 30-30 club by hitting his 30th home run and rookie Dave Justice belted his first grand slam to power Atlanta. Justice's blast, his 28th homer of the year, came off Norm Charlton, 12-8, and highlighted the Braves' six-run fifth inning. Tom Glavine, 10-11, allowed five hits in seven innings. Cincinnati's magic number remained at five to clinch the NL West.

Dodgers 3, Astros 1, 10 innings

At Houston, Hubie Brooks blasted a two-run homer in the 10th inning to lift Los Angeles to within 3 1/2 games of Cincinnati. Jay Howell, 5-5, worked two innings for the victory. Juan Agosto fell to 9-8.

Giants 3, Padres 1

At San Francisco, rookies Mike Benjamin and Steve Decker hit home runs and

rookie reliever Mark Dewey gained his first major league victory. Dewey, 1-0, started the fifth inning after starter Rick Reuschel, making his first start and third appearance since coming off the disabled list, suffered soreness in his knee. Andy Benes, 10-10, worked six innings and took the loss.

-30- 4806

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BEIJING (SEPT. 26) UPI - Production by China's rural industries rose by 9 percent in the first half of this year, more than triple the national average and again showing rural firms as the most dynamic industrial sector, an official newspaper reported Wednesday.

Nearly 100 million people work in the country's 18 million so-called rural enterprises, many of them small factories or industries run by towns and villages in farming areas.

The English-language China Daily said output value of rural industries grew by 9.02 percent in the first half of 1990 as compared to the same period last year. The value of their exports jumped by 38.2 percent, it said, although giving no currency amounts.

The first-half growth was more than triple the national average for all industries, which the China Daily said hovered around 2.6 percent.

Rural industries have proven the most dynamic of China's industrial sectors, far outpacing so-called collective enterprises and large, inefficient state-owned industries, which consistently show the poorest growth and generally lose money.

National industrial production has been slow to recover from a near- stall earlier this year caused by a government-imposed nationwide austerity program. The government has been forced to ease the austerity and loosen credit since early spring.

Still, the China Daily said in a separate article that realized profits among state-owned enterprises under direct central government control plunged 56.8 percent in the first eight months of 1990, compared to the same period last year.

Although the easing of the austerity has expanded investment, wages and credit ''the indicators also revealed that industrial economic efficiency further dropped'' and ''more enterprises were plunged into the red ... further squeezing state coffers,'' the China Daily said.

The rural firms, meanwhile, also absorb surplus farm labor, with millions of farm jobs no longer needed because of the country's 12-year- old economic reforms.

''Rural enterprises are considered the only feasible way for China to absorb large numbers of surplus rural labor into the industrialization process,'' the newspaper said.

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#90269u0332 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - The United Nations tightened economic sanctions against Iraq with an air traffic embargo as Iraqi President Saddam Hussein raised the specter of another Vietnam to the American people if Iraq were attacked.

Saddam's comments, which included a call for peace, came hours before a report that the aircraft carrier USS Independence was being sent to the Persian Gulf from the Gulf of Oman, carrying 90 aircraft and accompanied by at least six support ships.

The relocation reported by Cable News Network and attributed to the State Department was described as the first time since 1974 a U.S. aircraft carrier has actually gone into the Persian Gulf instead of remaining in the Gulf of Oman or Indian Ocean.

The aircraft carrier is part of a U.S.-led international force stationed in the Persian Gulf.

The U.N. Security Council voted 14-1 vote on the air traffic embargo Tuesday, with all permanent members backing it. Only Cuba voted against it.

Secretary of State James Baker, who said the air embargo was necessary to counter Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of the small, oil-rich nation of Kuwait, warned nations not to try to evade the U.N.-imposed ''international quarantine.''

''No temptation of minor gain should lead any government to complicity with Iraq's assault on international legality and decency,'' Baker told the Security Council.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze had earlier warned the U.N. General Assembly ''war may break out in the gulf region any day, any moment.''

He denounced Saddam's occupation of Kuwait as a ''major affront to mankind'' and an ''act of terrorism'' against the post Cold War period. Shevardnadze called on Moscow's former ally to ''to obey the demands of the law and plain common sense'' and withdraw.

In an apparent indication the Soviet Union would not oppose use of force against Iraq in the crisis, Shevardnadze noted the ''United Nations has the power to suppress acts of aggression. There is ample evidence that this right can be exercised. It will be, if the illegal occupation of Kuwait continues.''

Saddam, in his 76-minute videotaped speech, accused the United States of using a double standard when dealing with the Middle East, saying when Israel annexed land in the Middle East, ''no measures were taken against Israel.''

Israel annexed East Jerusalem immediately after the 1967 war and later annexed the Golan Heights of Syria. Neither annexation is recognized by the United States.

Responding to President Bush's televised message to the Iraqi people last week Saddam warned Bush he risked another Vietnam if he attacked Iraq - but with ''bigger sacrifices'' and a greater loss of life. Saddam however said that was a warning based on fact and added, ''We threaten no one.''

''Let us then resort to dialogue rather than arms as the road to a common understanding ... and an acceptable solution,'' he said in the videotape delivered to Washington by Iraqi Ambassador Mohammed al- Mashat.

Meanwhile, the Pentagon said Iraq is losing about $100 million a day in revenue from banned oil exports and that U.N. economic sanctions have ''proven very effective.'' Iraq's imports have been ''significantly reduced'' and less than 15 percent of Iraq's merchant fleet is at sea, Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said.

Meanwhile, in an apparent rebuff to Iraq's efforts to woo former enemy Iran into an alliance, a joint Iranian-Syrian communique Tuesday charged ''Iraqi aggression against Kuwait gave foreign powers the pretext to enter the region.''

The communique came after four days of talks between Iranian President Hojatoleslam Ali-Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani and Syrian President Hafez Assad, who according to the text believe foreign forces can be removed ''through the removal of the Iraqi aggression forces along with the foreign presence.''

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#90269u0340 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

PESHAWAR, Pakistan (SEPT. 26) UPI - Ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and her Pakistan People's Party won a legal victory against the government Wednesday when a provincial high court overturned an order dissolving the region's legislative assembly.

The high court in the North-West Frontier Province said the decision dissolving the assembly was ''unconstitutional'' and ordered the legislative body restored, but the government appealed to the national high court and blocked a bid to convene the assembly.

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan fired Bhutto's government Aug. 6, accusing the

administration of corruption and nepotism. He also dismissed the national assembly and allowed the regional governors to dissolve the provincial assemblies. Khan called for new elections Oct. 24.

Since then, the president has lodged corruption charges in special courts in Lahore and Karachi seeking to have Bhutto and several members of her administration barred from participating in politics.

Bhutto has denounced the president's actions against her as unconstutitional and with the help of People's Party workers has launched legal battles in court to have her dismissal and the dissolution of the assemblies overturned.

The ruling Wednesday was her first legal victory against the government. If the decision is upheld by the nation's high court, it could serve as a legal precedent for attempting to overturn Khan's order firing the government and dismissing the national assembly.

The court announced its decision at 9 a.m. before a packed courtroom. The court said it found the government's case to be weak because the order dissolving the assembly gave no reasons for the action.

Hundreds of people gathered outside the courthouse despite a police cordon around the area and chanted slogans praising Bhutto and the Pakistan People's Party while condemning the president.

Shortly after the ruling, Assembly Speaker Masud Kausar said he had received a note signed by one-third of the assembly members asking him to convene the People's Party-dominated legislative body.

But the government immediately appealed the decision to the nation's supreme court and won a stay of the lower court decision, blocking the attempt to convene the assembly.

The court case challenging the order dissolving the North-West Frontier assembly was filed by Aftab Ahmad Khan Sherpaq, the former chief minister of the province. The case was argued by Iftikhar Gilani, the former law minister in Bhutto's Cabinet.

A similar case has been filed in Sind Province, where Bhutto's home is located and where the People's Party also was dominant. That case is still being heard by the Sind high court.

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#90269u0341 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 26) UPI - Monica Seles and Jennifer Capriati registered straight- set victories Wednesday, while Katerina Maleeva struggled in three sets, each advancing to the quarterfinals of the Nichirei International Ladies

Tennis Championships.

Second-seeded Seles, the 16-year-old French Open champion from Yugoslavia, needed only 36 minutes to dispatch West Germany's Eva Pfaff 6-1, 6-0 in a second-round match on the indoor courts of the Tokyo Metropolitan Gymnasium.

Capriati, the 14-year-old teenage sensation from Wesley Chapel, Fla., who is making her first appearance in Japan, defeated Magdalena Maleeva 6-2, 6-4. Katerina Maleeva of Bulgaria rallied to beat American Gigi Fernandez 6-7 (6-8) 6-2, 6-2.

Also advancing to the quarterfinals was No. 8 seed Amy Frazier of Rochester Hills, Mich., who beat Eva Sviglerova of Czechoslovakia 6-2, 7-5.

Top-seeded Martina Navratilova and No. 4 Mary Joe Fernandez begin second-round play Thursday. Navratilova meets Stephanie Rehe and Fernandez faces Cristina Tessi.

''She wasn't the toughest opponent I could have drawn in the second round,'' said Seles, who makes her home in Sarasota, Fla. ''Nothing was going extremely well; everything was just going fair.''

Katerina Maleeva, ranked No. 7 in the world, needed 2 hours and 18 minutes to put away the ninth-seeded Gigi Fernandez of Aspen, Colo.

Capriati, who struggled in a first-round match against Japan's Misumi Miyauchi ranked 266th in the world, lost only three points on her serve in the first set and was never threatened by 15-year-old Magdalena Maleeva.

Capriati broke Maleeva in the second and eighth games of the first set. Maleeva opened the second set with a service break, but Capriati won the next three games.

Maleeva evened the set 3-3, but Capriati won three of the next four games, including two service breaks.

Friday, Capriati faces Katerina Maleeva, while Seles meets Frazier.

In the other second-round matches Thursday, No. 5 seed Manuela Maleeva-Fragnierd of Switzerland faces San Francisco's Peanut Louie Harper and No. 6 Helena Sukova of Czechoslovakia meets Marianne Werdel of Bakersfield, Calif.

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#90269u0360 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - Clear skies covered much of the nation Wednesday as the heat eased in the Great Plains and cool weather continued in the South and

Northeast.

High pressure kept the South dry as temperatures dipped into the 40s in some areas during the early morning hours, but bright sunshine was expected to send highs into the 80s.

Fog covered some valleys in Kentucky and light winds came from the southwest while partly sunny skies were reported in Virginia.

Patchy late night fog also cut visibility in Southern California where lows were in the 60s with southwest winds at 15 mph.

Light rain moved into the southwest panhandle of Nebraska from Colorado and other showers were reported in southeast Wyoming.

Temperatures were expected to peak in the 80s in the Great Plains, down from the 90-plus degree temperatures that baked the region earlier this week, prompting forecasters to say Indian summer had come early this year.

Northeast skies had morning clouds and low temperatures near 45 degrees but in the western part of the region, clear skies covered Pittsburgh as temperatures dipped down to 50 degrees.

In several areas in New Jersey, including Newark and Atlantic City and their vicinities, skies were partly cloudy. Newark had low temperatures in the upper 50s and winds moving south at 5 to 10 mph while temperatures were in the low to mid 50s in Atlantic City.

In the Boston metropolitan area, partly cloudy skies and temperatures in the low 50s covered the city, with temperatures dipping to 45 in the suburbs.

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#90269u0368 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait:

WASHINGTON - The United States is sending an aircraft carrier into the Persian Gulf for the first time since 1974. The USS Independence, carrying 90 aircraft and accompanied by at last six support ships, was being moved Wednesday from the Gulf of Oman. The move was the first time since 1974 U.S. aircraft carrier has actually gone into the Persian Gulf instead of remaining in the Gulf of Oman or Indian Ocean. The Independence joins an international armada of ships enforcing the U.N. blockade against Iraq.

UNITED NATIONS - The U.N. Security Council clamped an air embargo on Iraq in retaliation for its invasion of Kuwait. The measure allows governments to

ground aircraft suspected of carrying goods to the two gulf countries and deny such aircraft permission to fly over their territories. The air embargo resolution, adopted on a 14-1 vote, was intended to tighten U.N. sanctions against Iraq, which has defied the world body for seven weeks.

In a videotaped message to the American people, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein warned the United States risks a conflict costlier than the Vietnam War if it attacks Iraq. Saddam said in the tape released Tuesday that Iraqis ''threaten no one'' and are not interested in a war with the United States. The Iraqi leader also accused the United States of using a double standard when dealing with the Middle East, saying U.S. officials took no official action when Israel annexed East Jerusalem and the Golan Heights of Syria in 1967.

ATHENS, Greece - In an apparent rebuff to Iraq's efforts to woo former enemy Iran into an alliance, a joint Iranian-Syrian communique Tuesday charged ''Iraqi aggression against Kuwait gave foreign powers the pretext to enter the region.'' The communique, reported by Tehran radio, came after four days of talks between Iranian President Hojatoleslam Ali-Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani and Syrian President Hafez Assad, who according to the text believe foreign forces can be removed ''through the removal of the Iraqi aggression forces along with the foreign presence.''

UNITED NATIONS - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze denounced Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's occupation of Kuwait in a speech Tuesday before the U.N. General Assembly. Shevardnadze called Iraq's invasion of its southern neighbor a ''major affront to mankind'' and called on Moscow's former ally to ''to obey the demands of the law and plain common sense'' and withdraw.

WASHINGTON - The Pentagon said Tuesday the number of Iraqi soldiers in Kuwait and southern Iraq has increased to 430,000 from 360,000 a week ago, but U.S. officials concede they expanded the geographic area they are counting. The Pentagon also said 500 to 1,000 Soviet military advisers and technicians are in Iraq, many involved in maintenance on Soviet-built bombers and fighters.

WASHINGTON - House members angrily accused the administration Tuesday of failing to warn Americans of the impending Iraqi occupation of Kuwait or prepare for their evacuation before the invasion. House Foreign Affairs Committee members said the State Department failed to warn Americans even though Baghdad's massing of troops on Kuwait's border was well known.

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#90269u0479 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - Secretary of State Baker says the air embargo imposed against Iraq by the United Nations yesterday is necessary to counter Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. The U-N Security Council voted 14-1 to impose the embargo. Another indication of increasing pressure on Baghdad comes with a report that the aircraft carrier U-S-S Independence is being sent to the Persian Gulf from

the Gulf of Oman.

Budget director Richard Darman says it's ''going to be tough'' to reach agreement on a deficit reduction package. But, budget negotiators report some progress after meeting for nearly eight hours in a marathon session that broke up this morning. They meet again today, amid signs of a possible breakthrough on the capital gains tax cut impasse. The House G-O-P leader says the president may back off on capital gains cuts.

A war between two Colombian cocaine cartels is cited as a possible cause of a massacre yesterday that killed at least 16 people. Officials say armed men dressed in military uniforms entered a ranch near Cali , and fired at people playing soccer. Authorities cite the luxuriousness of the ranch as an indication that drug wars might be the cause. The Medellin and Cali cartels have been in conflict off and on for several years.

House Democratic leader William Gray says his talks with South African President F-W de Klerk left him ''hopeful'' about racial reform. But he criticized de Klerk for making what he termed only ''small changes.'' Other black congressional leaders said the same thing. De Klerk told the National Press Club yesterday that blacks and whites in South Africa are ''NO longer divided.''

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#90269u0500 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - Stocks on the Tokyo Stock Exchange plunged to their lowest level in more than 2 1/2 years Wednesday, hammered by large institutional investors and cash-strapped small investors on rumors of hostilities in the Middle East.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selective issues, which fell 418.51 points Tuesday, tumbled 1,108.70 points or 4.7 percent to 22, 250.62 - its lowest close since Jan. 5, 1988, when it key index finished at 21,575.28.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, a measure of all shares traded on the exchanges main section, tumbled 67.92 points to 1, 651.44. TOPIX lost 50.41 points on Tuesday.

Trading remained thin as an estimated 350 million shares changed hands, compared with 254 million shares Tuesday.

Declines pounded advances 919 to only 54, while 73 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices closed lower in moderate trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as stocks fluctuated severely, influenced by Tokyo.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which plunged 54.27 points Tuesday, dropped

another 28.76 points - or 1 percent - to 2,778.50.

Among the narrower indexes, financials rose 6.79 points, utilities were down 33.14, industrials shed 36.28, and properties dropped 67.47 points.

Volume remained light as an estimated 690 million shares changed hands, up slightly from the 600 million shares on Tuesday.

In Singapore, stocks plunged in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchangein line with Tokyo's decline.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which lost 19.55 points Tuesday, dropped 8.95 points to 1,104.24. The broader-based All Singapore Index fell 4.01 points to 311.17.

An estimated 43.3 million shares chnaged hands, compared with 43.1 million on Tuesday.

In Bangkok, stocks on the Thailand Stock Exchange rebounded slightly after falling more than five percent Tuesday.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) Index, which lost 33.16 points Tuesday, gained 11.11 points to 625.06.

Volume remained light as an estimated 1.2 billion shares changed hands, unchnaged from Tuesday's level.

In Australia, stock prices continued their slid in moderate trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which fell 17.7 points Tuesday, slipped another 7.8 points to 1,386.0.

An estimated 95 million shares changed hands, compared with 80.4 million shares Tuesday.

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#90269u0568 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - Cable News Network says the carrier U-S-S Independence is going from the Gulf of Oman into the Persian Gulf along with six support ships. It will be the first time since 1974 that a U-S aircraft carrier has actually gone on station in the Persian Gulf. .

The U-N Security Council has widened the embargo against Iraq to include air traffic. It ordered governments to prohibit planes from landing or flying over Iraq if they are going in or out of Iraq or occupied Kuwait with banned cargo. .

The Pentagon says earlier United Nations sanctions have been effective. Iraq reportedly is losing about 100-Million dollars a day because of the ban on its oil exports.

Budget negotiators ended another long session this morning and reported progress toward an agreement on reducing the massive federal deficit. But budget director Richard Darman says- ''It's still going to be tough.''

Armed men raided a ranch near Cali, Colombia, yesterday and killed 16 people who were playing soccer. Authorities say the killings are part of a years-long war between two cocaine factions which has claimed more than 500 lives.

19-year-old Damon Lundgren pleaded with a jury yesterday NOT to sentence him to death. Lundgren was convicted of murder and kidnapping for helping his father commit cult killings in northern Ohio.

Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis has cut state spending another 310-Million dollars. More than one-BILLION dollars has been cut in the last year. Massachusetts has the lowest state credit rating in the nation.

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#90269u0583 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - Scientists say the Magellan spacecraft is successfuly mapping the surface of the planet Venus. The radar probe has sent back dramatic views they call ''revolutionary.'' Magellan had communications problems last month.

An 11-year-old New Jersey girl has died of Lyme disease. The disease is spread by infected deer ticks. A scientist says the girl may be the first person ever to die of Lyme disease without having an underlying medical problem.

Three more children in New York City, all teen-agers, were shot and wounded yesterday, one in the eye. All three shootings occurred in the Bronx. In the last five days, seven New York children have been shot, including one who died.

Rebels exploded bombs this morning at a Coca-Cola plant near the presidential palace in Manila and at a Pepsi plant in a suburb. One person was injured. A bomb threat was received at a university dormitory.

The World Health Organization says by the year 2000, as many as 10- Million children may be infected by the AIDS virus. The number of infected women is rising and more babies are being born with the deadly virus.

The American Petroleum Institute says U-S supplies of crude oil dropped for the second week. The reason is the fall in Mideast imports. But gasoline and home heating oil stocks increased because refineries worked overtime.

The F-B-I says a Minnesota woman was arrested after trying to hire an undercover police officer to kill her parents. She said she hates her father and could collect two-Million dollars if he died.

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#90269u0655 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - A Western diplomat says Jordan allowed an Iraqi Airways jet to land in Amman today... ''in clear violation'' of the United Nations air embargo that was imposed yesterday. The diplomat says two other flights apparently are scheduled from Baghdad to Amman later today. .

The U-N Security Council voted 14-1 yesterday to tighten sanctions against Iraq by adding an embargo on air traffic. A sea embargo already is in place. Cuba voted against the air embargo, which extends sanctions imposed after Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2nd. .

The director of Egypt's Cairo Opera House has a suggestion as to how the Persian Gulf crisis might have been avoided. He says more emphasis on culture might have made the Middle East a safer place. He defines culture as ''continuous and open channels of communication for people to express themselves.''

President Bush flies from Washington to Chicago today to speak at a fund-raiser for Republican Congresswoman Lynn Martin tonight. She's running against incumbent Democrat Paul Simon for the U-S Senate. The president leaves Chicago tonight for Minneapolis, the next stop on his two-day trip.

A new Education Department report paints a bleak picture of student achievement in the United States. The Nation's Report Card looks at achievement in the late 1980's. It shows most students caN'T analyze what they read, and many students have difficulty communicating effectively in writing.

A new study says anti-abortion groups have contributed about 52- thousand dollars to congressional candidates since January 1st, 1989. That's about one-tenth of the more than 500-thousand dollars contributed by abortion rights groups. The study was conducted by United Press International.

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#90269u0666 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - The unification of Germany occurs in one week... and this week, the East and West German Social Democratic parties will merge as well for the first time in 44 years. Delegates open a three-day congress in Berlin today. The unified Social Democrats will compete against Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democrats in the federal election on December 2nd.

Legislation aimed at making cars more fuel efficient suffered a stunning blow in the Senate yesterday, forcing backers to withdraw it until next year. The measure's main sponsor, Nevada Democrat Richard Bryan, lost a key test vote. Hesays he'll give up efforts to push the bill through the Senate this year.

More violence in the Philippines. Police say rebels riding in cars exploded bombs at a Coca Cola bottling plant in Manila near the presidential palace. One employee was wounded. 20 minutes earlier, a bomb was thrown at the Pepsi Cola plant in suburban Quezon City, causing damage but NO injuries. Rightist soldiers are suspected.

The Senate yesterday ratified two treaties that were negotiated with the Soviet Union in the 1970's. The 1974 and 1976 treaties limit underground nuclear tests to 150 kilotons. They were NOT ratified earlier because of concerns about verification. Negotiations on verification began in 1987.

The best-paid employees at Harvard University are NEITHER teachers NOR administrators. They're the money managers who oversee the university's huge endowment. State records indicate two employees of the firm that guides Harvard investments earned more than one-Million dollars each in the year ended June 30th, 1989.

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#90269u0669 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 25: Purchases of 379,050 shares and sales of 584,881 shares including 19,814 shares sold short.

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#90269u0682 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

DES MOINES, Iowa (SEPT. 26) UPI - A class-action lawsuit involving several Iowa banks and investors and a Chicago firm has been filed in U.S. District Court in Des Moines against the Stotler Group, alleging the company misled investors with the sale of more than $7 million worth of commercial paper.

According to the suit filed Tuesday, the plaintiffs bought more than $2.5 million worth of the paper from R.G. Dickinson & Co. of Des Moines. However, Dickinson is not listed as a defendent in the suit.

The seven-count complaint alleges the directors of Stotler and its accounting firm, Coopers & Lybrand, misrepresented the financial condition of the company to those interested in purchasing the notes.

The suit said Stotler's quarterly reports issued in 1988, 1989, and earlier this year showed the company was in compliance with minimum net capital

requirements. However, the suit alleges the company then told the plaintiffs it could not pay the notes as they came due.

Stotler was dissolved in July after it was learned that Stotler & Co., a subsidiary of the Stotler Group, could not meet the capital requirements of the Chicago Board of Trade and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

Since then, the company has been the object of numerous lawsuits and fraud charges. Stotler filed for bankruptcy in late August after three companies who claimed to be creditors filed an involunatary bankruptcy petition.

A spokesman for Coopers & Lybrand in New York said the firm would not comment on the lawsuit.

Plaintiffs in the suit include Liberty Bank and Trust of Mason City, Iowa; Liberty Bank and Trust of Odebolt, Iowa; David Noyes & Co. of Chicago; Farmers Trust and Savings Bank of Buffalo Center, Iowa; Farmers Co-op of Wesley, Iowa, and individuals Jim Vonnahame, Gene Harris, Roger A.V. Lundberg and Eleanor D. Lundberg.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

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Anchorage cy	51	41	....
Asheville sy	78	47	....
Atlanta sy	84	58	....
Baltimore pc	75	53	....
Billings pc	76	46	....
Birmingham sy	83	52	....
Bismarck sy	81	42	....
Boston pc	71	58	....
Brownsville pc	92	70	....
Buffalo pc	65	50	.09
Burlington Vt. sh	67	51	....
Charleston S.C. sy	85	58	....
Charlotte sy	81	57	....
Chicago sy	79	51	....
Cincinnati sy	77	50	....
Cleveland pc	70	49	....
Columbus Ohio sy	75	48	....
Dallas sy	92	67	....
Denver pc	82	48	.11
Des Moines sy	87	56	....
Detroit sy	73	48	....

Duluth f	78	44	....
El Paso sy	91	56	....
Evansville sy	84	54	....
Fargo sy	83	45	....
Hartford pc	70	52	....
Honolulu sy	89	73	....
Houston pc	92	68	....
Indianapolis sy	81	52	....
Jackson Miss. sy	86	56	....
Jacksonville sy	87	59	....
Kansas City sy	91	61	....
Las Vegas sy	92	62	....
Little Rock sy	85	62	....
Los Angeles f	81	64	....
Louisville sy	84	57	....
Memphis sy	82	61	....
Miami Beach pc	88	74	....
Milwaukee sy	76	54	....
Minneapolis f	85	52	....
Nashville sy	81	53	....
New Orleans sy	85	65	....
New York pc	75	59	....
Oklahoma City c	92	66	....
Omaha sy	92	57	....
Orlando pc	87	69	....
Philadelphia pc	73	53	....
Phoenix sy	101	74	....
Pittsburgh pc	70	45	....
Portland Me. pc	63	54	....
Portland Ore. cy	71	57	....
Providence pc	70	55	....
Richmond pc	79	55	....
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San Antonio pc	92	70	....
San Diego f	77	65	....
San Francisco sy	72	59	....
San Juan pc	90	76	....
Seattle cy	70	52	....
Spokane sy	80	45	....
Tampa pc	92	68	....
Washington pc	76	55	....
Wichita sy	94	63	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair

fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90269u0734 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Orders for durable goods fell 0.8 percent in August in the aftermath of Iraq's raid on Kuwait, with military hardware holding up weak demand for metals and non-electrical machinery, the government said Wednesday.

Excluding defense hardware, orders for the ''big ticket items'' made to last three or more years - from aircraft to washing machines - were off 1.6 percent the Commerce Department said in its monthly report.

In the category of transportation equipment, for example, ''Increases in motor vehicle and parts and shipbuilding and tanks more than offset a decline in aircrafts and parts,'' the department said.

Not counting transportation, August orders fell 1.6 percent.

In Chicago, Robert Dieli, an economist at Northern Trust, called the report ''a trifle weak'' but not enough to ''make you say 'It's time to head to the storm cellar.'''

Private analysts generally expected a 1 percent drop in the aftermath of Iraq's lightning invasion of oil-rich Kuwait Aug. 2 and the subsequent U.N.-backed trade embargo against the Baghdad regime.

Dieli said he ''wouldn't tie a great deal of'' the military spending to the Iraq crisis, but added ''no doubt that there's some of it'' was reflected in the latest data.

He also said he expects more crisis-related military spending ''down the road.''

But a market letter by Fuji Securities in Chicago noted: ''Durable goods orders have chopped back and forth over a year and a half without achieving

any significant net growth.''

August's 0.8 percent drop in orders to a little more than $127 billion follows an advance of 2.7 percent in July and a decline of 3.1 percent in June, according to the department's Census Bureau.

By category, August orders:

-Jumped 12.4 percent for defense capital goods.
-Plummeted 11.2 percent for non-defense capital goods.
-Fell 1.7 percent for primary metals.
-Plunged 6.1 percent for non-electrical machinery.
-Gained 2.6 percent for electrical machinery.
-Increased 1.3 percent for transportation equipment.

The Commerce Department also reported that shipments of durable goods increased 2.9 percent in August after slipping 1.8 percent in July and edging up 0.6 percent in June.

Unfilled orders, meanwhile, slid 0.3 percent in August after gaining 0.6 percent in July and dipping 0.5 percent in June, the department said.

The figures were adjusted for seasonal factors.

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#90269u0739 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 26) UPI - A Western diplomat says Jordan has violated the day-old air embargo against Iraq by letting an Iraqi Airways jet land in Amman. The diplomat calls the landing a ''clear violation'' of the embargo. He also says it is understood two other flights from Baghdad to Amman are scheduled today. The U-N Security Council approved the air embargo against Iraq and occupied Kuwait yesterday.

The government reports another sign of declining economy. Orders for durable goods fell eight-tenths of one percent last month. These are products intended to last three years or longer- things like aircraft to washing machines. The Commerce Department says if heavy defense equipment is excluded, the new orders fell one-point-six percent. Analysts had expected a drop because of tensions in the Persian Gulf and the trade embargo against Iraq.

Another late-night session of budget negotiators ended early this morning with word that progress has been made. But there's still NO agreement on how to chop 500-BILLION dollars from the deficit over the next five years. Budget Director Richard Darman said- ''NO deal tonight.'' President Bush will meet this morning with Republican negotiators to discuss the budget.

The Environmental Protection Agency says all of the 1991 cars getting the best

gasoline mileage are imports. The Geo Metro X-F-I, a Japanese- built car imported by General Motors, heads the list with 50-plus miles a gallon. Nine of the top 10 models are from Japan. The 10th, the Volkswagen Jetta, is built in West Germany.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - A government report issued yesterday blames Aloha Island Air the pilot and the Federal Aviation Administration for an accident in Hawaii in October 1989 that killed 20 people. The National Transportation Safety Board says the pilot was flying too low and without instruments when the plane crashed. The board also found fault with the airline's supervision and the F-A-A's oversight of the airline.

A U-N commission says Asian nations have to slow migration to cities to solve their environmental problems. The report says if conditions in rural areas improve, the move to the cities will decrease. It calls for promotion of investments and development of skills in the rural areas. The U-N commission says the average urban growth rates are three times as great as village growth rates.

Enterprises in rural China are the fastest growing industrial sector in China. The newspaper China Daily says production of the rural enterprises increased nine percent in the first half of 1990... more than triple the overall Chinese growth rate. China's collective enterprises and state-owned industries show poor growth rates and most lose money.

When the two Germanys re-unite next Wednesday, their sports will merge along with their political systems. One theory holds that a super- power in sports will result. If there had been just one Germany in 1988 it would have won 142 medals- the most at the Seoul Olympics. But a conflicting theory finds Germany's star fading because communist subsidies for sports in the East have ended. Some eastern teams have sold stars to the West in order to make ends meet.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Shell Oil Co. and two other companies negotiated a $7.8 million out-of-court settlement with the family of a Pasadena, Texas man who was killed in an industrial accident, the family's attorney said Tuesday.

Candy Salls, widow of Worley Lee Salls, will immediately receive $344,000 with the balance to go to her and her three children during their lifetimes, said attorney John F. Vecchio.

The case arose from a 1986 accident at the Shell refinery near Deer Park.

Worley Salls severed the femoral artery in his right leg while cleaning the inside of a tower with a high-pressure sprayer. He bled to death before he reached a hospital.

Vecchio, who pursued the case for two years, alleged Salls was ordered by a Shell supervisor to use a sprayer with a shorter barrel than permitted by Shell safety guidelines.

He also said Salls should not have been instructed to climb into the five-foot wide tower to clean the upper area.

Salls, a contract worker at the plant, was employed by Parkem Industrial Services Inc. The sprayer he was using is manufactured by Jetstream of Houston Inc.

Both companies contributed to the settlement.

Vecchio said the settlement allows for a $40,000 payment to Candy Salls next year and a $46,500 payment in 1992. In addition, she will receive $2,940 a month for the rest of her life, he said.

When her children - ages 7, 6 and 4 - turn 18, they will receive annual payments of $20,000 each for three years and $1,200 a month for the rest of their lives, he said.

Randall J. Heldt, attorney for Shell Oil, did not return calls for comment. James M. Kimbell, lead attorney for Parkem, declined comment.

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DEDHAM, MA (SEPT. 26) UPI - A man who videotaped a number of sexual assaults on children has been sentenced to 27 to 30 years in prison.

James Newell Sr., 57, of Plainville was sentenced Tuesday in Norfolk Superior Court after he pleaded guilty to raping a number of young girls from his neighborhood over a seven-year period.

The children ranged between 5 and 9 years old at the time of the rapes and assaults.

Before sentencing Newell, Judge Robert Banks described him as ''chronic, dangerous and untreatable.''

Testimony showed that Newell lured six girls to his home with candy, toys and games between 1981 and 1988. Once inside, he encouraged the girls to perform sex with him.

Testimony showed he occasionally videotaped the sex acts, using a camera hidden in the bathroom and another focused on a mattress in his living room.

He was arrested on Jan. 12 after a two young girls gave police information about some assaults.

Parents of some of Newell's victims said the children have suffered psychological problems stemming from the attacks.

Newell, who was known in the community as ''Papa'' and worked in a local

convenience store, sat passively in the courtroom during the sentencing. He pleaded guilty to the 47 counts last week.

The parents of the victims said they all knew Newell and unwittingly gave him permission to take their children into his home.

Newell will be eligible for a parole review in 18 years.

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HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 26) UPI - The FBI Wednesday launched a search for two defendants in the 1983 Wells Fargo robbery suspected of jumping bail in Puerto Rico to pursue separatist activities.

A federal judge late Tuesday issued warrants authorizing the FBI to arrest Filiberto Ojeda Rios, 57, described as the mastermind of the $7 million robbery, and Luis Colon Osorio.

It was believed that Ojeda Rios, who was released on $1 million bail two years ago after being held for a record 32 months, had fled to Cuba with Colon Osorio.

Ojeda - who federal authorities have described as a Cuban agent - lived there for many years in the 1960s.

Stanley A. Twardy Jr., the U.S. attorney for Connecticut, said the warrants issued by U.S. District Judge T. Emmet Clarie authorize the arrests on charges of failing to abide by the conditions of bail.

Twardy said the government will also move to forfeit the property put up by friends and family of Ojeda Rios to meet the high bail.

Twardy said Ojeda failed to make curfew at his home on Saturday and Sunday and failed to report to the pre-trial services office in Puerto Rico.

Milt Ahlerich, the FBI agent in charge in Connecticut, said a large contingent of agents in Connecticut and Puerto Rico has been ordered to search for the two and the case has been given ''high priority.''

Daniel Lopez Romo, U.S. attorney for Puerto Rico, said Ojeda's escape while wearing an electronic bracelet proved prosecutor's claims the devices were ''highly questionable''.

Separatists at a rally Sunday in Lares, Puerto Rico, announced that Ojeda Rios had gone underground to continue the fight for independence for the island.

Ojeda Rios and Colon Osorio were among nine defendants waiting trial in

Hartford on charges they staged the $7 million robbery in West Hartford to finance the activities of Los Macheteros, which the FBI describes as a terrorist group working for Puerto Rican independence.

The government claims the robbery of the since-closed Wells Fargo depot was plotted by the Macheteros.

The FBI claims the robbery was pulled off by Wells Fargo guard Victor M. Gerena and that he has fled to Cuba with some of the stolen money.

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NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ (SEPT. 26) UPI - An 11-year-old girl has died of Lyme disease, marking what could be the nation's first reported case of a fatality caused by the tick-borne illness, health officials said Wednesday.

The listing of Lyme disease as the cause of death for Mandy Schmidt, of Sayreville, was confirmed Tuesday, said Bernard Mihalko the director of the Middlesex County Health Department.

The death also was believed to be the first in the nation caused solely by Lyme disease, said Dr. Terry Schulze, a state Health Department research scientist.

''To my knowledge it's the first time we've had that in New Jersey,'' Schulze said. ''I've heard anecdotally of deaths attributable to Lyme disease from other states, but there's always been some other underlying medical problem that was exacerbated by the Lyme disease.''

Tom Skinner, a spokesman for the federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, said Wednesday the agency had never received a report of a death from Lyme disease.

''We have never received a report of a case fatality as a result of Lyme disease. If a case were to go untreated there is a slight possibility it could result in death. But we have never receive a case fatality. It would be the first if that is the case,'' he said.

Schmidt died Monday at Jersey Shore Medical Center in Neptune, Mihalko said. She succumbed to the disease after being treated for two years, he said.

''I can tell you she died in her mother's arms ... and it was a painful death '' he said.

Lyme disease is spread to humans by deer ticks infected with the bacteria.

Symptoms include fever, fatigue, headache, and stiffness in the neck. Later on

in the disease the patient can also suffer swelling and pain in the larger joints, especially the knees.

Lyme disease is sometimes characterized by a raised red bump or rash where the tick has bitten the victim, but it does not appear in all cases.

The disease was not recognized as a distinct illness in the United States until 1975, when patients were first diagnosed in Lyme, Conn.

More than 14,000 cases of Lyme disease have been reported in 43 states since 1980, with most cases occurring in the Northeast and Mid- Atlantic coastal states and Wisconsin, Minnesota, California and Oregon.

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LOGANVILLE, GA (SEPT. 26) UPI - A landscaper has served three years and three months of a life prison term after being convicted of a 1986 rape- burglary he apparently did not commit, officials said Wednesday.

Anthony Echols, 26, of Loganville, confessed Tuesday to a crime for which Willie Frank Williams was convicted in June 1987 after a two-day trial in Walton County Superior Court, said Loganville Police Chief Eddy Sharpe.

Williams, suspected as innocent by townspeople throughout his legal proceedings, was sentenced to life in prison for the rape of an elderly Loganville woman.

Police picked up Echols after reopening the investigation some six weeks ago for reasons they have not revealed.

''We had been watching him for a while, and we were thinking that he may have been the one responsible,'' Sharpe said.

''We picked him up when we got some fingerprint evidence back from the State Crime Lab and then we got the confession.''

Echols is being held without bond at the Walton County Jail on charges of rape burglary and aggravated assault. He faces additional charges, possibly for other 1986 burglaries.

The victim was the third elderly woman to be burglarized in a string of break-ins during the spring and summer of 1986 in the small town northeast of Atlanta.

William's sentence included 20 more years for aggravated assault, five years for possessing a firearm during the commission of a felony and 20 concurrent years on a burglary charge.

When he was convicted, then District Attorney John Ott called the attack on the woman ''brutal,'' saying he was not surprised with the severity of William's sentence.

The victim suffered broken ribs and other injuries in the attack by a masked intruder. She passed out after the attacker stuffed a pillow over her face, police said.

Ott is now a Superior Court judge in the Alcovy Circuit in Walton County, where Williams was tried.

Police said Echols was responsible for another break-in at the same victim's home in 1987. He was convicted of burglary in that case and served about 15 months in jail.

Williams, described as a quiet man who lived with his brothers on the outskirts of Loganville, was arrested at his home after police obtained a search warrant using results of a crime analysis of unidentified evidence.

Many people in the community said at the time and have maintained since that the court convicted the wrong man.

''We knew all along that Willie didn't do it,'' said a woman who asked not to be named. ''He wasn't that type of person. We just knew it wasn't him.''

Authorities are working on William's release from the Dodge County Correctional Institute in Chester, where he has served his time.

His release must come by order of a judge or the state Board of Pardons and Paroles.

''From our standpoint, we are glad we a have good correctional system that allow people to keep their dignity intact,'' Andy Bowen, a spokesman for the Georgia Department of Corrections, said in response to Echol's arrest. ''I hope his prison stay was as humane as possible.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - President Bush Wednesday submitted for Senate ratification a maritime agreement between the United States and the Soviet Union, which was signed last June 1 during the summit meeting with Mikhail Gorbachev.

The agreement reaffirms the maritime boundary between the United States and the Soviet Union, which was set in the conventions signed March 30, 1867, when the Soviets sold Alaska to the United States for $7.2 million. Alaska became

the 49th state Jan. 3, 1959.

The new treaty ''resolves differences over where each nation has the right to manage fisheries and oil and gas exploration and development, as well as its jurisdiction in marine areas. It also ensures that coastal state jurisdiction, in accordance with international law, is exercised by either party within 200 nautical miles of either or both coasts.

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BUFFALO, NY (SEPT. 26) UPI - Buffalo-area viewers of Monday night's NFL game between the Buffalo Bills and New York Jets say a crack about the city during a halftime promotional spot was out of bounds.

The ABC television affiliate in Buffalo, WKBW-TV, Wednesday said it has received several calls complaining about a joke during a promotional spot for the ABC sitcom ''Coach.''

In the spot, which aired at halftime of the Bills 30-7 victory, Jerry Van Dyke the show's co-star, comments to ''Coach'' star Craig T. Nelson that even if the Bills win, they have to go back to Buffalo.

''Even if you win, you lose,'' Van Dyke said. ''You still have to go home to Buffalo.''

''We have taken a significant number of calls from viewers, enough to tell you that people weren't happy with it and didn't feel that it was funny,'' said John DiSciullo, WKBW promotional director.

DiSciullo said while he believes there was no intent by the network to ''slam the city,'' many regarded the comment as ''a cheap shot.'

He said the joke came at a bad time, during a high-rated sports show and when Buffalo is in the running to land a major league baseball expansion team in 1993.

Barry Kemp, chief writer and executive producer of the series, took responsibility for the remark and said it was ''a thoughtless slip.''

''I will figure out some way of making it up to Buffalo,'' Kemp said. ''We'll put something positive in the show to make it up.''

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CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO (SEPT. 26) UPI - A mild earthquake measuring about 4.6 on the Richter Scale shook the Midwest along the New Madrid Fault Wednesday but

no injuries or serious damage were reported, authorities said.

The U.S. Geological Survey in Golden, Colo., said the quake that struck east-central Missouri along the Illinois border measured 4.6 on the Richter scale.

The USGS said the quake, which hit at 8:19 a.m., occurred about 10 miles southwest of Cape Girardeau, or 40 miles north of New Madrid.

The quake was felt as far north as St. Louis, as far south as Caruthersville in the Bootheel region of southeastern Missouri, and as far east as Paducah, Ky., and Tennessee.

''The floor shook,'' said Patrolman David Felton of the Cape Girardeau Police Department, who was in the police station when the temblor struck. Cape Girardeau is on the Mississippi River, about 100 miles southeast of St. Louis.

''I was talking on the phone at the time and the person on the other end said things were falling from their walls,'' said Felton. He said nothing fell off the walls at the police station during the quake, which he estimated lasted about five seconds.

Felton said no injuries had been reported in Cape Girardeau.

''The damage has been limited to pictures and things falling from the walls,'' he said. ''We've received a whole bunch of calls.''

''It shook us pretty good,'' said Lt. Frank Masterson of the New Madrid County Sheriff's Department. The county is in the Bootheel and gave its name to the fault that gained notoriety when it produced one of North America's greatest tremors in 1811.

''It was shaking the floors - our desk, our ceiling fans were really shaking '' said Masterson, who said it felt like the quake lasted about 15 seconds to those in the sheriff's office. ''It sounded like a big train coming through.''

A prediction by New Mexico scientist Iben Browning that a major quake could occur along the New Madrid Fault in early December has generated extensive publicity in the area and has prompted emergency preparedness officials in states along the fault to make contingency plans for a possible disaster.

The New Madrid Fault runs through southeastern Missouri near the borders of Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee and Arkansas.

The 1811 earthquake is said to have made the Mississippi River flow backward for three days, drowning dozens of people and creating Reelfoot Lake in Tennessee. Scientists have warned there is a 90 percent chance of another devastating earthquake within the next 50 years somewhere along the

200-mile-long fault.

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LANDING ZONE FOSS, SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 26) UPI - Marine Commandant Alfred Gray ordered his hot and dusty men Wednesday to banish any boredom and morale problems and keep focused on their anti-Iraq mission in the Saudi desert, where he said they will probably spend six-month tours of duty.

''Is it going to be easy? Hell no,'' the ruddy-faced four-star general told about 200 sweltering marines assembled in a forward desert staging post for the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force. ''Are we going to do it? Hell yes.''

Gray, who is dubbed ''Papa Bear'' among the 195,000 personnel in the U.S. Marine Corps, delivered a punchy 45-minute-long address to the troops, who clustered in a circle around their leader, bellowing affirmative answers to his constant directives.

The general's speech was peppered with reminders that their presense was to defend Saudi Arabia against the armies of Saddam Hussein in occupied Kuwait, more than 100 miles north.

''The best defense is a good offense,'' he told his audience at the remote desert base of scattered camouflaged structures and an impromptu helicopter landing site made of oil-soaked sand. ''We have everything we need to do whatever needs to be done ... we're going to play for keeps if that is required.''

Gray, after landing by chopper, eschewed the use of a microphone and energetically paced the sand as he bluntly told the men that as marines they were renowned for toughness and would just have to make do without many niceties amid the rigors of the Saudi desert.

''There will be no morale problem in th 1st Marine Expeditionary Force. Right?'' he said, drawing an obligatory but more low-key martial bellow from the troops.

''Because I say there will be morale. There also will be no boredom,'' said the veteran of 40 years service. ''This is a big continent, this Saudi Arabia, and there is a lot you've got to learn about and training that you've got to do.''

The general said the mission in the Persian Gulf was a top priority, but that the troops should remember other marines were enforcing America's numerous global obligations, whether off the coast of Liberia or training Colombian marines in the jungles of Latin America.

''I don't want to hear any more questions about how long you are going to be out here,'' Gray said. ''The commandant will think about that.''

He told the troops that their usual six-month tour could be extended if the mission required, causing some audible muttering in the ranks.

''What I am saying to our warriors is that in the corps we live a life of six month deployments, and then you are back for 15-18 months, and then you go again,'' he explained to reporters.

''That's the cycle. That's what our whole structure is about. It would make sense if we could hold to that as best we can. But we may not be able to, because ... we have enormous global commitments.''

Gray, who is in Saudi Arabia for about four days, declared that ''the privilege of being a marine takes in territory like this. When we suck in that gut and we have that price, we've got to buy that price.''

Gray said he hoped diplomacy would avert a conflict and spoke vaguely about a solution resulting in a ''better world,'' but would not say if this included Saddam.

''You have to try to shape things in such a way that you have a better situation when you finish than when you start out,'' he said. ''Certainly the world today, because of what Saddam Hussein has done, is a more dangerous place.''

Gray's numerous exhortations about the martial prowess of the marines struck a sound note among the soldiers, who in random interviews declared deep respect for the general and his many victories in securing congressional funding for the corps.

His visit was marked by a hot breakfast, the first given at the base named after Joe Foss - a World War II marine air ace - since the troops arrived about one month ago.

''We ought to invite him more often,'' joked Master Sgt. Alfred Chavez, 36, of Portales, N.M., watching a long line of men line up for chunks of orange-colored omlette and sloshy creamed beef. ''We will probably be back on the MRE (rations) tomorrow.''

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - There were NO immediate reports of damage or injuries this morning in an earthquake that shook southern Illinois and as far north as St. Louis. A spokeswoman for the earthquake studies department at Southeast Missouri State University says first estimates put the quake at five-point-five on the Richter Scale. St. Louis police dispatchers say most calls they received came from residents in the downtown and northern parts of the city.

Tropical storm Josephine continues to weaken as it moves west across the Atlantic. The National Hurricane Center in Miami reports that Josephine is 860 miles west-northwest of the Cape Verde Islands, moving west at nine miles an hour. Maximum winds are near 40 miles an hour.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $400.50 silver base of $4.78 and platinum price of $445.50:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$416.90	422.20
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	213.80	216.50
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	109.80	111.10
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	45.30	45.40
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	416.90	422.50
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	213.70	216.70
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	110.20	111.70
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	45.50	46.10
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	423.70	429.40
China Panda .50 troy oz.	218.70	221.20
China Panda .25 troy oz.	113.40	114.70
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	49.00	49.60
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	29.30	29.60
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	418.10	422.90
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	213.70	216.20
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	108.00	109.10
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	46.40	46.90
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	416.90	421.50
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	215.60	218.00
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	110.60	111.80
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	47.00	47.50
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	417.80	421.50
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	214.90	216.70
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	91.00	91.80
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	47.60	48.00
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.10	24.30
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.19	$6.32
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,460	$3,550
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,500	$1,550
Platinum		
Australian Koala	468.00	485.00
Isle of Man Noble	457.00	474.00
Canada Maple Leaf	468.00	485.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer

and depending on market conditions.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

. City	Local Time	Temp F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	50	10
Amsterdam r	1pm	56	13
Ankara c	3pm	77	25
Athens c	2pm	86	30
Auckland c	12m	49	10
Beijing cy	8pm	60	16
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	55	13
Bonn cy	1pm	55	13
Brussels cy	1pm	54	12
Cairo c	2pm	88	31
Casablanca pc	12n	76	24
Copenhagen pc	1pm	51	11
Dakar c	12n	87	30
Dublin pc	1pm	58	15
Geneva c	1pm	59	15
Helsinki cy	2pm	41	05
Hong Kong r	8pm	80	27
Jerusalem c	2pm	83	28
Karachi c	5pm	91	33
Lisbon pc	1pm	77	25
London c	1pm	61	16
Madrid c	1pm	75	24
Malta c	1pm	94	35
Manila r	8pm	-	-
Moscow cy	3pm	43	06
Nairobi pc	3pm	78	25
Nassau pc	7am	78	25
New Delhi c	6pm	88	31
Nice	1pm	69	21
Oslo cy	1pm	48	09
Paris pc	1pm	62	17
Pretoria c	2pm	78	26
Riyadh	3pm	101	39
Rome cy	1pm	77	25
Seoul c	9pm	67	19
Sofia cy	2pm	71	22
Stockholm pc	1pm	46	08
Sydney c	10pm	64	18

Taipei pc	8pm	79	26
Tokyo r	9pm	65	19
Tunis pc	1pm	91	33
Vienna cy	1pm	59	15
Warsaw cy	1pm	49	09
Latin America			
Buenos Aires c	9am	60	15
Caracas pc	8am	65	18
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	61	16
Mexico City hz	6am	55	13
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	67	19
Santiago cy	8am	52	11
Canada			
Calgary cy		83	28
Edmonton c		73	22
Montreal cy		65	18
Ottawa cy		54	12
Regina c		83	28
Toronto cy		69	20
Vancouver cy		64	17
Winnipeg pc		78	25

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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PARIS (SEPT. 26) UPI - Terrorist leader Mohammed Abul Abbas warned of a ''war without limits'' if Iraq is attacked and threatened in an interview published Wednesday to strike against the United States and Western Europe.

''The Palestinians support Baghdad with all their force because Baghdad was the first to link the Palestinian cause to the Gulf and the petroleum crisis '' Abul Abbas, head of the Front for the Liberation of Palestine, told the Paris daily Le Figaro.

Asked specifically if he was threatening terrorist actions against the United

States and Western European countries in case of war, he replied:

''If your country were attacked, wouldn't you defend it? The war to come will be a war without limits, we will fight everywhere if we are attacked.

''In the same way that the Americans and Europeans have come to Saudi Arabia, we have the right to mobilize our Arab troops wherever they are, '' he said. ''We will fight in our own way. We will not let Iraq be crushed by imperialist forces and this war will have no frontiers.''

Abul Abbas is believed to have been the organizer of the attack on the Achille Lauro Italian cruise ship that resulted in the death of Leon Klinghoffer, an elderly, wheelchair-bound New Yorker who was thrown overboard.

His group also claimed responsibility for an aborted attack on a beach near Tel Aviv last May, an incident that led President Bush to suspend Washington's dialogue with the Palestine Liberation Organization. PLO leader Yasser Arafat refused to expel the group from his organization's executive committee despite Bush's threat to break off talks.

Abul Abbas' comments came just a few days after President Bush warned that any support of terrrorist acts by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''would indeed have serious consequences.''

''I will hold him, as will our allies, directly responsible for terrorist acts '' Bush told a White House news conference last Friday.

In the interview with Le Figaro from his office in Baghdad, Abul Abbas said he considered French President Francois Mitterrand's speech on the Persian Gulf crisis to the U.N. General Assembly Monday as ''more progressive than the American position.''

''The idea of an international conference on Lebanon and Palestine is a very important point of the French plan,'' he said. ''Here is a personal idea: if the issue of Kuwait were also taken up by that conference the French plan wpould appear more acceptable and more serious.''

In his U.N. speech, Mitterrand proposed a four-point peace plan to resolve the crisis that would reuire the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait, the release of all foreign nationals being held hostage, reconciliation among the region's countries, and a broad disarmament program. But Mitterrand did not specifically mention holding an international conference on the crisis as has been suggested by the Soviet Union and some Arab states.

Despite his kind words for the Mitterrand plan, Abul Addas said he did not understand why Western European countries were supporting the United States in the crisis.

''The United States is pursuing a colonialist goal, and if it is successful it alone will control the world's sources of wealth. European interests will be gravely affected,'' he said. ''It is in the interest of Europe to be on the side of the Arab world. We thought France had understood this.''

Abul Abbas said the foreign nationals being held against their will in Iraq and Kuwait were not hostages but ''guests that Iraq has no choice but to invite to prevent war. When there is no longer the risk of war there will not be any more hostages.''

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JAKARTA (SEPT. 26) UPI - World oil prices could soar out of control and exceed $60 a barrel if the Persian Gulf crisis developed into a war, Indonesia's oil minister said in an interview published Wednesday.

Mines and Energy Minister Ginandjar Kartasasmita told the Indonesian Observer that it is very difficult to predict the level to which prices would rise should fighting occur in the Middle East.

''It might exceed $60 a barrel if war breaks out,'' the Observer quoted Ginandjar as saying.

If the oil production of Saudi Arabia, the world's largest oil exporter, and its neighboring Gulf countries are reduced by war, ''you can't imagine how high the prices (will go),'' Ginandjar said.

Crude oil prices topped the $40-a-barrel mark Monday for the first time in a decade. Prices have surged since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the United Nations' decision to impose an embargo against both countries that removed about 4 million barrels of oil a day from both countries.

The minister predicted prices probably would remain at this level until December when demand for heating oil rises to meet fuel needs during the winter mr's cold.

He said the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries cannot do much at this time ''because what we have done to boost the production by each member country has now reached maximum,'' the Observer reported.

Last month OPEC agreed to allow members to raise production in an attempt to make up for the oil lost on the world market from Iraq and Kuwait.

''It is time now that the industrialized countries played their role and released their strategic oil stocks to balance declining OPEC production,'' he said.

He estimated the industrialized countries' oil reserves total at least 1 billion barrels, and if these stocks are released, it could halt the rise in prices for up to three months.

In Paris, however, an official of the International Energy Agency said Tuesday it is unlikely IEA member countries would draw from their crude oil reserves.

He said they would release their oil stocks only in case of real shortages.

The IEA is made up of 21 of the world's largest oil-consuming industrialized nations, and closely monitors world oil output.

Current oil prices are nearly double those before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, Ginandjar said.

In an effort to help deal with the world oil shortfall, Indonesia is boosting its oil production by 100,000 barrels a day starting in December, he said.

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COLUMBUS, OH (SEPT. 26) UPI - The president of the American Farm Bureau Federation said Wednesday that agriculture is the key to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade negotiations now taking place in Europe.

Dean Kleckner told reporters, ''If we can get an agreement in agriculture, we're likely to have a successful trade round. But if agriculture is not settled, it's very likely the whole round will blow up.''

He said the United States is aiming for agreement on limiting or eliminating export subsidies, tariffs and non-tariff trade barriers.

Preparing to address the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation's board of trustees Kleckner said 25 percent of the farm acreage in America is devoted to producing exports, and other nations are restricting U.S. exports of meat, wheat and other products.

Kleckner said the Federation, a farmers' lobbying group, is firmly behind President Bush's capital gains tax reduction and favors a freeze on federal spending, even for agriculture programs, to help balance the federal budget.

But he warned that every time Congress has a budget summit conference, which has been five times in the last eight years, taxes were increased.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 26) UPI - Increasing harvest activity and the lack of export

business pressured grain and soybean futures early Wednesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Midmorning prices were mostly lower in moderate trading.

The outlook for favorable weather the rest of the week will help reduce moisture levels in corn and benefit the soybean crop as it approaches maturity.

Corn harvest activity is expected to increase day by day.

Follow-through selling also weighed on corn prices and profit-taking kept a lid on soybean values, but losses in both were tempered by scattered buying at the lows.

Wheat was narrowly mixed in line with the weakness on the rest of the floor.

Country movement was light and basis levels were steady to weak.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.26 3/4 off 1; Mar 2.36 off 1 1/4; May 2.41 3/4 off 1 1/2.

Soybeans Nov 6.14 1/2 off 3; Jan 6.29 off 3; Mar 6.41 1/2 off 3 1/4; May 6.50 1/2 off 3.

Wheat Dec 2.74 3/4 unch; Mar 2.80 3/4 off 3/4; May 2.96 1/4 up 1/4.

Oats Dec 1.13 1/4 off 1 1/4; Mar 1.23 1/2 off 1 1/2; May 1.31 off 1 1/2.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 26) UPI - The mayor of Santo Domingo got a rude welcome from thieves when he checked into a Hialeah Gardens hotel during a promotional visit to Miami.

Someone snatched his burgundy leather briefcase, containing $5,200 in U.S. currency, jewelry and personal items.

Rafael Corporan de los Santos, mayor of the Dominican Republic's capital, was in Miami to plug his radio program, which is broadcast in his country and is scheduled to air in Miami soon, said the mayor's personal assistant, Pedro Julio Diaz.

The mayor and his assistant were checking into the Park Plaza Hotel Tuesday when someone took the briefcase off a luggage cart. It was lightning quick, Diaz said.

''We didn't even have time to see the man,'' he said.

Corporan de los Santos brought the $5,200 to do some shopping, Diaz said. He said the briefcase also contained personal documents more valuable than the money.

The robbery appeared to be a classic set-up, said Hialeah Gardens Police Chief Charles Rogers.

One man distracted the bellhop by asking him a question while another man grabbed the briefcase and ran. They jumped into a late-model car, with a driver and another man already inside, and fled.

No other suitcases were taken. Police don't know if the robbers singled out that briefcase because they knew it belong to the mayor.

''We're looking at all possible angles,'' Rogers said.

The mayor checked out of the hotel Wednesday, a hotel employee said.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Bank Sth Carolina	Q	.06	11-15	9-28
Elcor Corp	Q	.05 1/2	11-8	10-12
Essex Finl Ptnr LP	..	.40	11-15	10-1
First Home Svgs Bk	Q	.10	10-31	10-17
Hydraulic Co	Q	.40	10-30	10-11
Jefferson Bkshrs	Q	.25	10-31	10-5
Sifco Industries	Q	.05	11-27	11-13

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-91.75 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.40-2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 134.62 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 45.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 50.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.00-$459.00; dealer- approx., $459.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 281.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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PAINESVILLE, OH (SEPT. 26) UPI - Jurors began deliberations Wednesday on whether to recommend a death sentence for Damon Lundgren, son of cult leader Jeffrey Don Lundgren, who was sentenced to death last Friday.

The seven-man, five-woman jury began deliberations shortly after prosecutors and defense lawyers delivered brief closing arguments.

The jury has the option of recommending death in the electric chair, life with no parole for at least 30 years or life with no parole for at least 20 years. Common Pleas Judge Paul Mitrovich will then rule on the jury's recommendation.

Lundgren, 19, was convicted of aggravated murder and kidnapping for helping his father kill a family belonging to the cult in April 1989 at the cult's farm in Kirtland.

Unlike his father, who delivered a five-hour defense of his actions at his sentencing hearing last week, Damon Lundgren Tuesday pleaded for his life.

''I don't want to die,'' he said. ''I would like to continue to live. I would like a chance to make up, if I can, for some of the things my father has done.''

Assistant County Prosecutor Joseph Gurley said in his closing argument Wednesday there was no question the aggravating circumstances outweigh the mitigating factors, a question the jury was deciding.

''He said he doesn't want to die; he wants to live his life,'' Gurley said. ''Certainly, that statement could be applied to every one of the Averys.''

In his closing argument, defense lawyer Charles Cichocki repeated defense contentions that Damon was under his father's influence.

''Now, whatever role you found Damon had (in the slayings), you know who was the principal offender,'' he said. ''That was Jeffrey Lundgren.''

Noting Damon had been beaten by his father since he was 3 years old, he said the younger Lundgren would not have had anything to do with the killings if he were not being dominated by his father.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Most students can't analyze what they read, can't handle moderately challenging math problems and have a limited understanding of American history, according to a bleak picture of student achievement released Wednesday by the Education Department.

The Nation's Report Card analyzed 1988 achievement of children in fourth, eighth and twelfth grades and compared it to student performance 20 years ago. Things haven't changed much.

Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos, calling the report a ''compendium of disappointment,'' said the results indicate where the problem lies.

''Many parents and educators have failed to insist that youngsters do some of the fundamental things that we know promote education,'' Cavazos said, citing more reading and writing at home, less time watching television and less reliance by teachers on ''passive learning'' techniques such as lecturing and

showing films.

The chairman of the National Assessment Governing Board, which oversees the achievement efforts, said too many parents mistakenly think their child and their child's school are doing well.

''This data ought to be a cold shower for America, but it seems everyone is walking around with their own umbrella,'' said Chester Finn Jr. ''Unless the cold water drips on Mr. and Mrs. Smith and on Johnny and Jessica, we're not going to get out of this problem.''

The findings come exactly one year since President Bush met with the nation's governors in Charlottesville, Va., to set educational goals for the year 2000.

''Taken in total, the results of The Nation's Report Card provide evidence that we have a daunting challenge before us if we are to reach our national student achievement goal by the 21st century,'' the report said.

''Cummulative evidence shows that, for any curriculum area, only about half of our high school seniors may be graduating with the ability 'to use their minds' to think through subject-related information in any depth,'' it said.

Samuel Sava, executive director of the National Association of Elementary School Principals, said the results show schools need more money, the school day and the school year need to be lengthened and parents must be more involved.

While most of the data was dismal, the report did find minorities' performance has improved over the years, especially for reading. Also, children seem to be learning the basics, yet they generally showed no improvement as they got older.

Among the key findings:

-Reading and writing:

Most students get the gist of what they read but have ''considerable difficulty'' analyzing and synthesizing what they have read.

Many students have difficulty communicating effectively in writing, with less than half of students producing at least adequate informative and persuasive writing samples.

Compared to 20 years ago, overall reading is about the same today, or slightly better, and writing achievement has remained stable.

-Mathematics:

Only 21 percent of the 9 year olds and 73 percent of the 13 year olds displayed a firm grasp of basic addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and of beginning problem-solving. Half of the high school students could not handle moderately challenging math material.

Compared to 20 years ago, recent performance shows gradual, yet somewhat uneven, improvement.

-Science:

Students' knowledge of science and their ability to use what they know ''appear remarkably limited.''

Compared to 20 years ago, science achievement is worse today.

-History and civics:

Students have a ''moderate'' understanding of some historical events, but far from displaying a coherent grasp of how the events interacted to shape the nation. For example, 56 percent of fourth graders knew the names of Columbus's ships, but only 36 percent knew why he sailed to America.

As for civics, only 51 percent of seniors knew that religious freedom is guaranteed in the Constitution, while virtually all knew that the accused have a right to an attorney.

Student civics achievement was better 20 years ago, the report said.

-Geography:

High school seniors demonstrated ''generally low performance.''

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 26) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Wednesday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4- 1.03 1/4.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery slightly higher; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 59-65.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - There are NO reports of damage or injuries after an earthquake rolled through portions of southeastern Missouri and Southern Illinois this morning. The latest estimates put the earthquake at four-point-six on the open-ended Richter Scale. The quake along the New Madrid Fault was felt as far north as St. Louis.

Jordan reportedly will let two more Iraqi passenger jets land in Amman today... this after one Iraqi Boeing 707 was given permission to land earlier today. It was the first violation of yesterday's U-N-approved embargo of Iraqi air traffic. Jordan says it let the plane land for humanitarian reasons.

Orders for defense items in August helped to keep overall durable goods orders from falling more than they actually did. The Commerce Department figures show durable goods orders down eight-tenths of one percent last month. That would be a one-point-six percent drop if defense orders are NOT counted.

The Commerce Department reports that personal income was up three- tenths of one percent in August. But that is the smallest increase since April's two-tenths of one percent hike. At the same time, the savings rate dipped from July's four-point-five percent to four-point-three percent.

President Bush has sent letters to Congress that formally open the way for talks with Mexico about building a free-trade zone between the two countries. Canada also has expressed an interest in joining the talks and that could result in a three-way trade zone covering all of North America.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - President President Bush today submitted for Senate ratification a maritime agreement between the United States and the Soviet Union that was signed on June 1st. The agreement reaffirms the maritime boundary between the United States and the Soviet Union, originally set in conventions signed in 1967.

Jury selection continues for a third day in Cincinnati in the obscenity trial of the Contemporary Arts Center and its director. One woman said she saw a show of photographs by the late Robert Mapplethorpe and would have NO problem viewing the pictures during the trial. She was dismissed as a prospective juror.

The F-B-I is undertaking a high-priority search for two defendants in the 1983 Wells Fargo robbery in Connecticut. The two are suspected of jumping bail in Puerto Rico to pursue separatist activities. The F-B-I says a large contingent of agents in Connecticut and Puerto Rico has been ordered to search for the two men.

Health officials in New Brunswick, New Jersey, say an 11-year-old girl has died of Lyme disease... possibly the nation's first reported case of a fatality caused by the tick-borne illness. Lyme disease symptoms include fever fatigue, headache and stiffness in the neck. Later on in the disease the patient can also suffer swelling and pain in the larger joints.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - The median income of households in 1989 rose by 1.3 percent after adjusting for inflation, but the nation failed to make progress in fighting poverty, as 31.5 million people - 12.8 percent of the population - remained officially poor, the Census Bureau reported Wednesday.

Nearly 40 percent of the 31.5 million poor were children under 18 and another 10.7 percent were over 65. Nearly 20 percent of American children are poor.

The annual report, ''Money Income an Poverty Status in the United States: 1989 '' was based on a survey of 60,000 households in March 1990 - before the recent downturn in the economy.

It showed the overall median household income at $28,910, up about $265 from 1988, fueled largely by a 5.1 percent rise in the inflation- adjusted income of black households, to $18,080. The incomes of white households, at $30,410, and Hispanic households, at $21,920, were statistically unchanged from 1988.

Asian and Pacific Islander households had a median income of $36,100 in 1989, the bureau said, attributing the higher level than white households in part to the larger size of Asian and Pacific Islander households.

Households include all versions of living units, including singles and other unrelated individuals.

For families, the median income was $34,210, up 1.4 percent from 1988 and for married-couple families, the median was $38,550, a 1.1 percent increase over the past year. For women family heads with no husband prersent, the median income was $16,440, unchanged from 1988.

The Census report also showed that per capita income increased 2.2 percent, to 14,060, an all-time high, and that the inflation-adjusted earnings of women working year-round and full-time also rose to $18,780, a 1.8 percent increase, while those of men declined by 1.8 percent, to $27,430.

This was the second consecutive year in which earnings declined for men and allowed women to narrow the wage gap so that they now make 68 cents for every $1 earned by a man, up from 60 cents in 1980.

The report showed that despite the growing economy over the past several years

poverty remains stubbornly persistent, especially among children.

The average poverty threshold for a family of four was $12,675 in 1989 and $12,091 in 1988.

While both the poverty rate and the numbers of people in poverty have declined since the peak of 1983, when the rate hit 15.2 percent and 35.3 million people were poor, it is still significantly above the most recent lows in 1978, when the poverty rate was 11.4 percent and 24.5 million were poor.

The poverty rate for whites was 10 percent, for blacks 30.7 percent and for Hispanics, 26.2 percent, all unchanged since 1988. Asians and Pacific Islanders had a 14.1 poverty rate, a decrease of 3.2 percent from 1988.

Among families, the overall poverty rate was 10.3. unchanged from 1988. It was lowest for married-couple familes, 5.6 percent, who were 43.2 percent of all poor families, and highest for families with a female householder, who have a poverty rate of 32.2 percent.

The report also confirmed other studies that have shown a rise in income inequality over the last two decades. In 1989, the highest 20 percent of households received 46.8 percent of the total income received by all households, 3.8 percent higher than 1969.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Republican leaders who met with President Bush Wednesday indicated Bush is ready to yield on his demand for a capital gains tax cut if some economic growth incentives are in the final deficit reduction plan.

As a Monday deadline approaches for up to $105 billion in automatic spending cuts, assistant House Republican leader Newt Gingrich of Georgia said he would introduce a bill giving Bush seven days emergency powers to prevent federal workers involved in health and safety from being furloughed.

Gingrich said Bush supported his plan to let the president ''shift money around'' within the automatic cuts to keep air controllers, meat inspectors, emergency medical workers and other essential federal employees working.

The leaders, taking several jabs at Democrats, spoke to reporters after a 45-minute meeting in the Cabinet room with Bush before he left on a five-city political swing through the Midwest.

At the meeting, Bush was flanked by Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas and House GOP leader Bob Michel of Illinois. Both have broken with Bush over capital gains by urging that the tax cut Bush wants not be part of a $500

billion, five-year deficit reduction package negotiators are trying to craft.

Failure to reach a deal before Monday, the first day of the 1991 federal fiscal year, would trigger $105.7 billion in automatic spending cuts designed to force the $168.8 billion deficit down.

While Bush did not completely tip his hand on capital gains, Dole said Bush ''wants to get an agreement and he wants some growth components in the package.''

''We're not going to rush to agreement,'' he said. ''We've been very flexible. We've been very forthcoming. There are a couple of points where Democrats have to move. They can't have it all their way either. It's in the growth area.''

Sen. Thad Cochran, R-Miss., told reporters at the White House Bush ''is anxious to achieve an agreement.''

''I think he's willing to negotiate every item that's been advanced,'' said Cochran, adding, ''The economy needs immediate attention. I'm saying that everything is negotiable.

''He wants an agreement that includes more growth items in it and he certainly wants more attention involved in reductions in spending,'' Cochran added.

He said, ''It is important to get an agreement to try to keep the train from wrecking. The automatic cuts in spending across the board are to be avoided if it's at all possible.''

Bush, speaking with reporters aboard Air Force One before take off, tried to put pressure on Democrats to come to terms and rejected suggestions he is inflexible on capital gains.

''I would now say that the Democrats in Congress have to come forward with a package,'' the president said. ''And we're still working hard in a good bipartisan spirit. ... We're getting down to the wire.''

Asked if he believed automatic spending cuts could be avoided, Bush said, ''It can be avoided if they (Democrats) get doing what they should. It's the Congress.''

The president again ripped into Democrats for trying to delay the Oct. 1 deadline for reaching a deficit reduction agreement and imposition of automatic cuts if there is not agreement.

House Democratic leaders on Tuesday cleared the way for floor consideration of a temporary spending bill to keep the government running until Oct. 20 and prevent automatic cuts from occurring until then.

''This concept that they tried (Tuesday) - just move it down the road, kick the can down the road ... is not fair to the American people nor to the economy,'' Bush said.

Bush said he was not concerned that Michel and Dole had suggested that capital gains not be in the budget aggreement.

Dole recently proposed that capital gains and other money losers, such as new child care programs Democrats want, be in a separate bill or that Republicans consider higher income taxes on the rich, which Democrats have demanded as the price for a capital gains cut they say favors the wealthy.

Michel on Tuesday said the price for getting the tax cut was ''too steep'' both in terms of Democratic demands and in the public relations beating the GOP is taking for appearing to favor the rich.

He said the administration is ''exploring some options that border on'' dropping capital gains and that ''there are certainly other ways of stimulating the economy than ... being hung up on a capital gains reduction.''

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MANAGUA, NICARAGUA (SEPT. 26) UPI - The Nicaraguan government, facing a growing economic crisis, has found itself trapped this week between foreign creditors demanding payment of arrears and a population demanding to be fed.

Government representatives flew to Washington to meet with representatives of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank on the sidelines of the organizations' annual meeting.

Sources close to the talks said President Violeta Chamorro's government is hoping to arrange a payment scheme for the approximately $200 million in overdue payments it owes the bank, and to secure a new bridge loan to help stabilize the economy.

In Managua, the opposition Sandinista Front is leading the charge against immediate servicing of Nicaragua's $10 billion foreign debt, arguing that Chamorro must first take care of the tens of thousands of unemployed the government has created since taking office Apr. 25.

Most of Nicaragua's foreign debt is owed to private foreign banks, European governments and to multilateral agencies.

Former Sandinista President Daniel Ortega, a long-time opponent of IMF lending policies, warned Chamorro against becoming reliant on the organization, saying it was synonymous with being reliant on the United States.

He said such agreements would bring back ''the economic model of former dictator Anastasio Somoza.'' The government, he said, is trying to ''legitimize the economic intervention of the United States and to make the rich richer and the poor poorer.''

The Sandinistas inherited a $1.65 billion debt from Somoza when they ousted him in 1979 after years of corrupt rule that increased Somoza's wealth while impoverishing the country.

After more than a decade of rule, nine years of fighting the Contra rebels and defense expenses that often topped 50 percent of the national budget, the Sandinistas left Chamorro with a debt of close to $10 billion - the highest in Central America.

In a speech last week outlining the government's economic recovery plan, Finance Minister Silvio de Franco said one of the most important parts would be ''a renegotiation of the foreign debt, beginning with a payment of arrears and a negotiation of new financing.''

He added that the debt was currently 40 times as much as the country's annual export earnings, and that the value of last year's imports was 2.5 times that of exports.

''To pay the $10 billion in debt with exports alone would take a tremendous amount of time,'' said Jose Villegas, a representative in Managua for the Inter-American Development Bank, which is observing the negotiations in Washington.

Nicaragua is $60 million behind on payments for the $400 million it owes the IDB. Both the IDB and the World Bank have said Nicaragua must be up to date on its arrears before they will approve new loans.

''They also have to create the conditions for more savings and investments,'' Villegas said. ''If they could get $500 million in aid from foreign donors right now, or even $300 million, they could open the door to loans from these organizations.''

Foreign financial sources have said new loans are unlikely to come out of this week's meetings in Washington, but that another meeting between Nicaragua and its creditors is scheduled for late this year in London, which could produce results.

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LONDON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Stock prices sqeezed out a small gain Wednesday on the London International Stock Exchange, with investors ignoring the Tokyo Stock Exchange's fall in favor of bargain-hunting buying in blue-chip issues.

The Frankfurt Stock Exchange staged a partial recovery for Tuesday's sharp sell-off.

In London, the blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which added 8.9 points Tuesday, closed up 0.8 point at the 2,000.0 level. The narrower top 30 industrial average gained 6.0 points to 1,532.6.

Volume amounted to around 410 million shares, vs. the 412 million that changed hands Tuesday.

Analysts said stocks moved higher because of improving sentiment from a weakening crude oil price and good performance on other European markets.

But the London market's trend remained bearish, in spite of the bargain-hunting in well-performing stocks, as a result of recessionary fears, Persian Gulf tensions and long-term increases in oil prices, analysts noted.

Among the most widely traded stocks, oil issues weakened. British Petroleum fell 9 cents to $6.39 a share, Enterprise Oil lost 15 cents to $11.70 and Shell lost 16 cents to $8.25.

In the blue chips, Imperical Chemical Industries gained 16 cents to $15.06 and Glaxo climbed 36 cents to $13.53.

Whitbread gained 21 cents to $7.20 on the company's planned sale of a drink-dispensing subsidiary.

Among some of the day's other highlights, advertising holding company WPP Group tumbled 83 cents to $6.65 on investor worries of a downturn in the advertising sector.

Countryside Props eased 12 cents to $1.13 on a continued slump in the property market.

British Aerospace added 11 cents to $9.88 on the strength of hopes for an order from Swiss Airbus.

Allied Leisure gained 6 cents to $1.69 on favorable profit reports on its bowling complex expansion.

In West Germany, stock prices rebounded on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange in active trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which plunged 62.65 points Tuesday to its lowest close in 16 months, rebounded 28.59 points to 1, 381.99, a 2.1 percent gain.

Traders said the Frankfurt market opened slightly lower as investors took their cue from Tokyo - which suffered a 4.7 percent decrease - but turned higher amid some strong buying in some blue-chip stocks by local and foreign investors.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Whether its inconvenience or unemployment, the threat of bad food or reduced benefits, just about everybody in America will suffer if the fight over the federal budget is not resolved before Monday.

Automatic spending cuts caused by the failure of Congress and the Bush administration to strike a budget deal would trigger furloughs for 1.1 million federal workers and could produce a ripple effect that, at the very least, would disrupt the daily lives of Americans.

In addition to furloughs, everything from train travel and airline flights to food inspection and programs for drug addicts could be affected if the automatic spending reductions kick in Oct. 1, the start of the 1991 fiscal year.

''People don't need this,'' President Bush said Wednesday, adding, ''I don't think they realize how serious sequestration is.''

The ''sequester,'' making across-the-board cuts to hundreds of government programs, is required under the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law to hold down the federal deficit. Current estimates are that government spending in the 1991 spending year would be about $106 billion more than the deficit limit allows.

Possible reductions in weather forecasting and night airline flights are just two of the possible effects of the cuts and White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said, ''When you go through all the reductions in government services that are represented by a 40 percent budget cut, you're going to see a lot more dramatic and difficult things to deal with than night flights.''

Exempt from sequestration are Social Security recipients, whose checks would not be reduced; military personnel; the Post Service, which operates independently, and members of Congress. The president, vice president and top White House officials also won't be directly affected.

Medicare participants will see their benefits cut by no more than 2 percent in the short term, but would experience a much harder hit if subjected to a full sequester.

As congressional and White House negotiators continued their budget talks, officials of various departments detailed moderate and worst-case scenarios of

what would happen if there is no agreement, or if Monday's deadline is not extended.

The impact may vary greatly from agency to agency, depending on the length of sequester and how each department decides to implement furloughs and program reductions.

An Office of Management and Budget spokeswoman, who said she would have to take off 4.5 days from Oct. 1-15, explained agencies with more job vacancies may require fewer furlough days, since less money is spent on salaries. Of course, the agencies hardest hit by spending cuts will create the worst aftershock for the everyday American.

For instance, the Agriculture Department said it would have to furlough all 7,400 federal meat inspectors midway through the second week of October if the cuts are triggered.

The furlough would effectively close meat and poultry slaughterhouses and processing plants, which by law cannot operate without inspectors. Meat industry leaders estimate a shutdown would cost the economy $1 billion a day. Farmers would lose $2.8 billion in crop loans and payments if the automatic cuts remained in place for an entire year.

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Kevin Moley, assistant secretary for management and budget at the Department of Health and Human Services, said drug treatment slots would be slashed by more than 30,000 and state and local health agencies would lose more than $580 million in federal aid.

The Food and Drug Administration would have to curtail inspection and review operations, ''opening the possibility of contaminated blood and delaying review of new drug applications,'' Moley said.

Reductions in Centers for Disease Control programs would result in no vaccinations for 1.6 million children or lead poisoning screening for 22,000 kids.

At the Transportation Department, the reduction of $19.5 billion over the entire year would have a devastating impact on air travel and the operations of Amtrak's rail passeneger service, which receives government subsidies, officials said.

Long-term furloughs of Federal Aviation Administration personnel would mean the cancellation of 6,000 flights each day, most involving 40 key domestic airports. That does not include of National Weather Service plans to close operations at most installations from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., effectively preventing any commercial flights at night.

Amtrak would try to continue full service if Gramm-Rudman cuts appeared to be short-term. But a lengthy sequestration would result in a shutdown of Amtrak routes, a spokesman said.

Labor Department spokesman Paul Williams said job training and worker compensation programs would be reduced.

The Education Department said cuts would slash the student aid program. Also, there could be delays in federal payments to 58 agencies that guarantee student loans, to up to 12,000 lenders, including banks, savings and loans, credit unions, insurance companies and 36 other institutions participating in the guaranteed student loan program.

At the Department of Veterans Affairs, disability compensation, and pension and life insurance programs are be exempt from sequestration. Under a full sequestration, 13,800 full-time medical center employees would be furloughed, eliminating care for more than 83,000 in-patients and 1.7 million out-patients said spokeswoman Donna St. John.

The Justice Department said because of cuts in the U.S. Marshals Service, some court proceedings would be postponed and possibly could lead to the release of defendants under the Speedy Trial Act.

A spokesman said a sequester ''would significantly reduce the FBI's ability to thwart terrorist activity that may result from the current Iraqi crisis,'' as well as hamper the battle against organized crime and the war on drugs.

Energy Department officials said sustained cuts would slow efforts to fill up and improve the nation's Strategic Petroleum Reserve. They also said it would delay operation of nuclear weapons production plants and disrupt environmental cleanup and safety initiatives.

Furloughs at the Interior Department would require each of America's 50 national parks to be closed for two to three months at a time, or about two days a week, as well as the elimination of most visitor programs and the shutdown of all campgrounds.

Some 40,000 Indian children who attend schools run by the Bureau of Indian Affairs across the country would lose up to two months of classes, and all organized extracurricular activities likely would be cancelled.

Seismic monitoring of earthquake and volcano hazards by the U.S. Geological Survey would be sharply curtailed in states at greatest risk for such natural disasters.

At the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 69 hatcheries would be mothballed, resulting in the elimination of entire production cycles for wild stock of

striped bass, Atlantic salmon and winter chinook salmon. All activities to list new endangered species would be suspended.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - U-S troop strength in Europe will fall by more than 10 percent under orders given this morning by Defense Secretary Cheney. He wants to bring home 40-thousand of the estimated 300-thousand military personnel in Europe over the next 12 months. The orders to the Joint Chiefs of Staff come ahead of what is expected to be a mutual agreement with the Soviet Union on trimming conventional troop strength in Europe.

Jordan says it backs U-N economic sanctions against Iraq... but that did NOT stop it from allowing an Iraqi jetliner to land in Amman today. Two more Iraqi planes are expected to land in Jordan later today. All of this comes one day after the U-N Security Council voted 14-1 to extend the sea embargo against Iraq to aircraft flying to or from the country. Cuba cast the only negative vote. .

Terrorist leader Mohammad Abul Abbas promises in a published interview in France a terrorist ''war without limits'' if Iraq is attacked by the world powers now drawn against it. Abbas is head of the radical Front for the Liberation of Palestine. He's believed to have organized the 1985 terrorist attack against the Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro. Abbas specifically threatens the United States and Western Europe.

Three liberal Democrats in the Senate say they will vote against the nomination of David Souter to the Supreme Court because he won't say how he would vote on the abortion issue. The senators include Frank Lautenberg and Bill Bradley of New Jersey and Barbara Mikulski of Maryland. But two other Democratic Senators, Alan Dixon of Illinois and Terry Sanford of North Carolina, say they will vote for Souter's confirmation.

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LONDON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Electric ''stun mats'' will be laid on the floor of a tunnel beneath the English Channel to keep rabid animals from France out of England, Eurotunnel officials Wednesday.

The system is to stun animnals and alert officials will then move in to trap them, and, if necessary, exterminate offenders, said John Weaver, spokesman for the Eurotunnel group.

Britain is considered a rabies-free area, along with Ireland, Sweden, New Zealand, Australia and some Pacific and West Indian islands, according to the American Public Health Association.

Critics of the channel tunnel, the high-speed rail link being constructed by Britain and France under the English Channel and known often as the ''Chunnel '' have argued that when it opens in 1993 Britain could be besieged by rabid dogs, foxes, rats and other animals from continental Europe.

''It's a traditional British chestnut, the fear of rabies,'' Weaver said. ''The electric grid we plan to implement will show people we are approaching the problem from a very practical point of view.''

He said the electric mats will only stun, not kill, trespassing animals.

Other precautions include a 9-foot fence around both tunnel entrances and more fences around the immediate openings of the tunnels.

''It will be a very hostile environment with little incentive for animals to enter,'' said Anthony Crowley, a former head of the government's veterinary service rabies unit.

The main remaining problem will be bats because they can fly over the mats and the fences and are a protected species. Eurotunnel officials planned to mount patrols for signs of bats.

Britain uses strict port vigilance and penalties including prison sentences for people who import infected animals to keep the country virtually rabies free, health officials.

''The only rabies cases we have involve people being bitten by animals abroad, and then developing the disease after they have arrived here,'' said John Murphy, a Department of Health spokesman.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - NO injuries or serious damages have been reported in a mild earthquake that shook the nation's midsection today. The temblor measured four-point-six on the Richter Scale when it rattled east- central Missouri along the Illinois border. The U-S Geological Survey says the quake was centered about 10 miles southwest of Cape Girardeau , Missouri... along the New Madrid Fault. The quake was felt as far north as St. Louis... as far south as Caruthersville in southeastern Missouri... and as far east as Paducah, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

An expert panel recommends that virtually all packaged foods should have labels that explain their nutritional content- including meals served in fast-food restaurants. The recommendations go one step farther than recent government proposals. In addition to nutritional labeling, the panel calls for development of new federal regulations for labeling fresh produce, meat, fish

and poultry, and restaurant meals... particularly those served by fast-food chains. The report comes from the Institute of Medicine, which is part of the National Academy of Sciences.

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OMAHA (SEPT. 26) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 700; trading on light run of slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, prices both classes 50-75 lower than Tuesday; slaughter cows 2.00 lower than last Wednesday; slaughter bulls 1.00 lower; slaughter steers scattered lots and loads choice No 2-4 1075-1350 lb 77.00-78.00, load 78.25, mixed select and choice No 2-3 1050- 1250 lb 76.00-77.00; slaughter heifers scattered loads and lots choice No 2-4 950- 1175 lb 77.00-78.00, load 78.25, mixed select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 76.00-77.00; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 breaking few 53.25-55.50, boning 59.00-57.00, low to average cutter 44.00-52.00.

Hogs slaughter 1,500, feeder pigs 1,200, total 2,700; butchers 1.50 lower, No No 1-3 230-260 lb 58.50-59.00, No 1-2 220-230 lb 58.50-58.75, No 2-3 260-270 lb 58.00-58.50; sows 25 percent, under 500 lb 1.00-2.00 lower, over 500 lb 3.00 lower, No 1-3 350-500 lb 46.50-47.00, No 2-3 500- 650 lb 49.00-50.00.

Sheep 100, slaughter classes steady, shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-135 lb No 1-2 pelts 50.00-51.00, 110-120 lb 47.00-50.00; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-135 lb 48.00-49.00, 110-120 lb 45.00-48.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - The median income of households in 1989 rose by 1.3 percent after adjusting for inflation, but the nation failed to make progress in fighting poverty, as 12.8 percent of the population remained officially poor, the Census Bureau reported Wednesday.

Nearly 40 percent of America's 31.5 million poor were children under 18 and another 10.7 percent were over 65. Nearly 20 percent of the nation's children are poor.

The annual report, ''Money Income and Poverty Status in the United States: 1989,'' was based on a survey of 60,000 households in March 1990 - before the recent downturn in the economy.

It showed the overall median household income at $28,910, up about $265 from 1988, fueled largely by a 5.1 percent rise in the inflation- adjusted income of black households, to $18,080. The incomes of white households, at $30,410,

and Hispanic households, at $21,920, were statistically unchanged from 1988.

Asian and Pacific Islander households had a median income of $36,100 in 1989, the bureau said, attributing the higher level than white households in part to the larger size of Asian and Pacific Islander households.

Households include all versions of living units, including singles and other unrelated individuals.

For families, the median income was $34,210, up 1.4 percent from 1988 and for married-couple families, the median was $38,550, a 1.1 percent increase over the past year. For women family heads with no husband present, the median income was $16,440, unchanged from 1988.

The Census report also showed that per capita income increased 2.2 percent, to 14,060, an all-time high, and that the inflation-adjusted earnings of women working year-round and full-time also rose to $18,780, a 1.8 percent increase, while those of men declined by 1.8 percent, to $27,430.

This was the second consecutive year in which earnings declined for men and allowed women to narrow the wage gap so that they now make 68 cents for every $1 earned by a man, up from 60 cents in 1980.

The report showed that despite the growing economy over the past several years poverty remains stubbornly persistent, especially among children.

The average poverty threshold for a family of four was $12,675 in 1989 and $12,091 in 1988.

While both the poverty rate and the numbers of people in poverty have declined since the peak of 1983, when the rate hit 15.2 percent and 35.3 million people were poor, it is still significantly above the most recent lows in 1978, when the poverty rate was 11.4 percent and 24.5 million were poor.

The poverty rate for whites was 10 percent, for blacks 30.7 percent and for Hispanics, 26.2 percent, all unchanged since 1988. Asians and Pacific Islanders had a 14.1 poverty rate, a decrease of 3.2 percent from 1988.

Among families, the overall poverty rate was 10.3 percent, unchanged from 1988. It was lowest for married-couple families, 5.6 percent, who were 43.2 percent of all poor families, and highest for families with a female householder, who have a poverty rate of 32.2 percent.

The report also confirmed other studies that have shown a rise in income inequality over the last two decades. In 1989, the top 20 percent of households received 46.8 percent of the total income garnered by all households, 3.8 percent higher than 1969.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Turkish President Turgut Ozal said Wednesday he would commit his 800,000-man army to war against Iraq if the United Nations backs it, and he advised remaining firm against Iraq's occupation of Kuwait.

He also said Turkey's cutoff of Iraqi oil pipelines placed his nation squarely ''on the side of the West'' and asked for the right to increase exports to Europe and the United States to compensate for the resulting economic losses.

''There will be a whole new order for the whole world if we keep tight,'' he told reporters at a breakfast at the Turkish Embassy. ''If we don't keep tight it will be a kind of jungle.

''I don't know if war is inevitable but we should be firm. Otherwise the new world order with the Soviets will be faced with small dictators.

''If the United Nations decides on armed intervention, we will not be against it.''

He said that in talks Tuesday with President Bush, ''We have not talked about any military action - it was not discussed.'' Turkish military movements since the Aug. 2 Iraqi takeover of Kuwait have been minimal - ''mainly the air force mainly looking at what is going on on the other side of the (Turkish-Iraq) border,'' he said.

Asked what Turkey would do if Iraq attacked Israel, Ozal said, ''That would be the biggest mistake, the suicide for the Iraqi people. Israel would blast them.''

Indicating a preferance for tight embargo enforcement rather than military action agaisnt Iraq, Ozal said ''this is the first time we have this experience'' of imposing a worldwide boycott to punish an aggressor nation.

''We have to be patient if you do not want to have war,'' he said.

''You have to wait two, three or four months to see the results. The only thing against the West is the oil price.''

Turkey was long considered vital to Western defense of Europe against a Soviet attack - its NATO forces were poised for a blow at what Ozal called ''Russia's soft belly.'' But with the end of the Cold War, Turkey feared its importance to the West was undermined. Ozal said that while Turkey's request to join the European Community was shelved at the end of 1989, former communist nations such as Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Poland were geting ''more favorable treatment.''

Citing losses of $1 billion a year in trade with Iraq and Kuwait, Ozal appeared hopeful his decision to back the embargo ''shows very clearly Turkey is on the side of the Western world.''

''Since we were neutral in the Iran-Iraq war, and had relations with both sides, I think it was misunderstood,'' said Ozal. ''We could not be on the Iraqi side (after the Kuwaiti invasion).''

Ozal downplayed the overall economic impact of the embargo on Turkey. With a growth rate over 10 percent last year, the Turkish lira convertible with Western currencies and a solid record of paying off its $40 billion foreign debt, Ozal said his biggest fear was not that $300 million in aid promised by Gulf nations would be late or minimal.

''We are afraid the media puts us in the same basket as Jordan and Egypt ... our credit may be endangered. The banks look more at the media than the economic situation in a country.''

He admitted that trade losses and rising oil costs would slow economic growth. But he said that even in the six weeks since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, Turkey had a positive trade balance.

In Washington, Ozal publicly sought ''trade not aid.'' Bush said he would seek greater import quotas for Turkish textiles as a reward for Turkey's allowing U.S. fighter-bombers to be deployed in Turkey near Iraq and for leading the way in compliance with the U.N. embargo on Iraq by cutting the Iraqi oil export pipeline.

Ozal also debunked reports that Turkey sought to take over mainly Kurdish and oil-rich northern provinces of Iraq should there be a war. ''We have no intention of having anybody's soil,'' he said.

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BOGOTA, COLOMBIA (SEPT. 26) UPI - Gunmen killed 18 people on a luxurious ranch in what police said Wednesday appeared to be the latest episode in the war between two rival cocaine gangs.

Another four people were wounded when some 30 gunmen dressed in military uniforms entered the Los Cocos ranch near the city of Cali, 200 miles southwest of the capital, said National Police Col. Rodrigo Millan, commander of the Valle de Cauca Department.

The murders Tuesday appeared to be the renewal of a war of bombings and murders between the rival Medellin and Cali cocaine cartels. Leaders of the two cartels earn millions of dollars by controlling most of the world's cocaine traffic.

''Everything appears to point to a vendetta between citizens of Cali or a group from Cali,'' Millan told reporters. ''It appears that with the evidence we have that this action came from the Department of Antioquia (Medellin).''

One official described the ranch as ''luxurious,'' with lighted soccer fields and tennis courts.

The massacre came during an informal soccer game at the ranch's playing field. But Millan said the dead appeared to be workers at observing the game and not the soccer players who managed to flee when the killings began, leaving behind expensive automobiles.

Officials said 17 people died at the ranch and one other at a local hospital. The four wounded were under police guard, Millan said.

The Medellin cartel and the Cali cartel, the world's biggest suppliers of cocaine, have been at war off and on for several years. The war began when the Cali cartel bombed an apartment building in Medellin where Medellin cartel kingpin Pablo Escobar was staying.

Officials at the time said it appeared the two cartels were disputing the profitable New York City cocaine market. Since then, the Medellin cartel has accused the Cali traffickers of assisting police in trying to capture or kill Escobar.

The war has included a series of bombs and murders in Medellin and Cali by the rival cocaine operations.

Caicedo said officials had discarded the possibility the murders Tuesday were committed by leftist guerrillas or common criminals.

''What you saw (in the ranch) was an overwhelming wealth,'' he said.

The Tuesday incident was another disturbance in what has been a relative period of peace since President Cesar Gaviria took office Aug. 7. Seven journalists and the sister of a prominent political figure also were kidnapped or have been reported missing in recent weeks.

Gaviria recently offered traffickers reduced jail sentences and immunity from extradition to the United States if they surrender and confess their crimes. Few people have taken advantage of the offer so far, officials said.

The nation has been at war with the Medellin cartel since a series of assassinations by cocaine hitmen in August 1989. At least 500 people have died in a series of bombings and murders.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 26) UPI - Soviet authorities closed down the second of two new Pizza Hut restaurant in Moscow Wednesday in a dispute over local rules that highlights problems facing Western firms in the still highly regulated Soviet economy.

Last Thursday the local sanitary authority closed the flagship Soviet Pizza Hut 10 days after it opened. That restaurant was allowed to reopen on Saturday but Wednesday the other Moscow Pizza Hut was closed down by the same department.

The official Soviet news agency Tass quoted a sanitary inspector Tuesday saying Pizza Hut did not submit plans to the proper local department before opening and the kitchens violated several regulations, including a rule on the distance between raw vegetables and prepared foods.

But Andrew Rafalat, deputy director of the joint venture running the Soviet Pizza Huts, said plans had been approved by other local authorities and there were no sanitary problems. He blamed the closures on misunderstandings between various rival local officials and a lack of communication.

''There are so many authorities around, there was confusion over requirements '' Rafalat said. ''Some of what we do doesn't fall within their rule book. But often the rules are ill-defined, and nobody ever put the rule book in front of us.''

He said the allegations of unsanitary conditions were ''a joke.''

''Anybody who wants to can come look at the restaurant, we are very proud of our standards,'' Rafalat said. ''To us there is no issue of standards. Unfortunately there are a lot of very restrictive regulations.''

He said some of the Soviet regulations are outdated and unworkable for a Western business, such as the requirement for several large separate sinks for washing dishes - despite the presence at the Pizza Huts of automatic dishwashers.

The two Pizza Hut restaurants, run by a joint venture between Pizza Hut parent company PepsiCo Inc. of Purchase, N.Y., and the Moscow city council, opened with much fanfare and five-hour lines Sept. 12.

''This is an experimental thing for us,'' Rafalat said. ''We'll all lose if everybody starts closing things down whenever there is a dispute. This kind of disappoints us.''

He said the flagship restaurant on Kutuzovsky Prospeckt was operating normally since its reopening Saturday and he expected the second restaurant, on Gorky

Street, to be back in business in one or two days.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - The Senate voted Wednesday to reduce the salaries of Vice President Dan Quayle, Congress and the Cabinet and high-level administration officials if a government-wide spending reduction goes into effect next week.

President Bush, who earns $200,000 a year, was excluded from the proposal.

The pay cut was added on a 96-1 vote as an amendment to a family planning bill that has no chance of clearing Congress before the weekend. Sen. Richard Lugar R-Ind., voted against the amendment.

Sen. Larry Pressler, R-S.D., acknowledged the amendment would not become law but said he would offer it to other legislation passing through the Senate during the rest of the week.

Under the requirement of the Gramm-Rudman law, spending must be cut by 32.4 percent beginning Monday unless Congress and the admistration reach a budget agreement.

On an annual basis, Quayle's $124,000 salary would be trimmed by $40, 176 and the $98,400 pay of members of Congress would be slashed by $31, 822.

Pressler said his amendnment would put ''the decision makers in the same category as civil servants.''

''Congress should be included,'' he said. ''Congress is responsible for this budget. Congress shoud be held accountable.''

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said the ''Draconian'' spending cut ''will fall on federal employees ... who played no role in situation that exists today.''

''I see no reason we in the legeislative branch should not share in the pain '' he said. ''Some would argue if we were sent on furlough, there may be more progress than in the past. We can assure those people we will be sharing an equal burden of pain.''

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., said the amendment was a ''step in the right direction. We were sent to Washington to be leaders, not to be followers.''

But Specter said failure of a budget agreement will not mean just a pay cut ''but the fact that 535 of us are going to be tossed out of Washington.''

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DETROIT (SEPT. 26) UPI - Industry analysts from Wall Street to the West Coast said Wednesday the nation's Big Three automakers will report significantly lower third quarter earnings, with Chrysler Corp. expected to post its second quarterly loss since 1982.

Analysts said profits at all three carmakers, which also include industry leader General Motors Corp. and second-ranked Ford Motor Co., were broadsided during the quarter that ends Sept. 30 by the heavy cost of buyer incentives that continue to cut profit margins.

''Put it all together and there is profit margin erosion caused by an effort to keep sales up in the face on what's going on in the Persian Gulf,'' said Ronald Glantz, of Dean Witter Reynolds in San Francisco. Glantz noted that many buyer incentives apply to 1991 models that are just beginning to appear in showrooms.

Automakers are to report third-quarter earnings in late October. But a poll of seven financial analysts, many of which recently lowered their earnings estimates, shows No. 3 Chrysler is expected to post third- quarter losses ranging between $1 and $1.20 a share, with a net loss of as much as $270 million.

Chrysler posted a loss of $644 million, or $2.90 a share, during the fourth quarter of 1989, its first loss since 1982, but managed to regain profitability during the first half of 1990.

Part of Chrysler's latest loss will be because of retooling for its first major redesign in seven years of its profitable minivans. The $600 million program caused the company to temporarily close its two minivan plants in Canada and Missouri, losing about 60,000 sales during the changeover.

But analysts also said Chrysler's losses are aggravated by earlier than anticipated rebates on 1991 models, a $2,500 price cut in its profitable Jeep Cherokee models to keep it competitive with new entries, and the initiation of an early retirement program as part of its massive cost-cutting efforts.

Also hurting Chrysler are commercial paper downgrades by several investment rating firms that caused the company's stock to hit an eight- year low this week, closing Tuesday at $10.125 a share on the New York Stock Exchange.

Chrysler's stock was trading at about $10 a share in early Wednesday afternoon trading on the NYSE.

Analysts say GM will earn between 50 and 70 cents a share, or between $300 million and $420 million in net income, for the third quarter. That compares with 72 cents a share, or $517 million, earned by GM during the third quarter

of 1989.

''GM has very costly incentives that are squeezing its margins,'' said Jay Leopold, of Legg Mason Wood Walker Inc., in Baltimore. ''They may also have costs associated with the acquisition of Saab last year, as well as start-up costs with New Venture Gear, its joint venture with Chrysler.''

Ford is expected to earn between 60 cents and $1 a share, or net income ranging from $275 million to $420 million. Most analysts are at the low end of those projections, which compare with $1.03 a share, or $477 million, earned in the year-ago quarter.

''Ford lost some production to the Canadian Auto Workers strike, but mainly had heavy rebate and heavy new product spending,'' said David Healy, of Barclays BZW in New York.

''Their European operations will also be down, and overseas they may have made little or no money,'' he said. ''They have also gone to a little bit of cash on hand, so interest earnings are down.''

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TORONTO (SEPT. 26) UPI - The Canadian Auto Workers union on Wednesday set midnight Oct. 10 as the deadline for reaching a new three-year deal with General Motors of Canada Ltd., with local issues expected to crowd the bargaining table.

CAW President Bob White said the union expects GM Canada to meet the pattern set last week in a CAW deal with Ford Motor Co. of Canada. But he added ''we should not fall into a false sense of security that we don't have to deal with any other issues.''

White said a large number of working condition, seniority, transfer, and health and safety issues would have to be dealt with before a settlement is reached.

''We don't want to have a strike here, but we could easily have a strike on local issues, if we don't get those issues addressed,'' White added.

GM Canada, a subsidiary of the U.S. auto giant, employs 36,500 CAW workers at 12 assembly, fabrication, trim and engine plants and a parts warehouse in Ontario and Quebec. The main complex in Oshawa, Ontario includes assembly plants for the Chevrolet Lumina, Buick Regal, light duty and full-size trucks, plus two parts-making facilities.

GM Canada's top negotiator, Rick Curd, said the company was glad to start fashioning an agreement with the CAW.

Curd called the settlement between Ford Canada and the CAW as ''an expensive proposition .... acceptable only if a company makes progress in areas that will help it become more competitive.''

Curd said the company wants to improve cost competitiveness, increase workplace flexibility and reduce absenteeism.

Ford Canada's nearly 13,000 workers voted Sunday to accept a deal and end a nine-day strike. The deal will give them raises of 3 percent in the first year and 2 percent in each of the second and third years, plus a cost-of-living allowance.

White said GM Canada was expected to meet the basic economic elements of the Ford Canada deal, but that provisions for additional holidays and the worker job security program would need to be adjusted.

Under the Ford Canada settlement, the company agreed to give one year notice on any plant closing, and six months notice on any job lost due to technological change or contracting work out.

Ford Canada will set up an $85 million fund to deal with related job losses with provisions for early retirement, salary supplements for up to 36 months and severance pay ranging from $21,250 to $55,250.

White said the union wanted to talk about GM Canada's announced plans to close its Scarborough van plant in 1992 and the outsourcing of work at its Windsor trim plant. There are 2,700 workers at the the van plant and 2,500 workers at the trim plant, 700 of whom could lose their jobs within the next year due to contracting out, the union said.

''We're going to fight like hell to keep every job we can at the trim plant,'' White said. But he added if some jobs are lost, the union wants to know how to apply the worker security program.

Also as part of the Ford Canada settlement, workers will receive an annual $425 vacation bonus and more time off the job, with three additional holidays a year.

In addition, Ford Canada will contribute to a CAW social justice fund, and a child care fund.

The CAW also represents 11,300 workers at Chrysler Corp.'s Canadian subsidiary.

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BY LEE STOKES - UPI

CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 26) UPI - Apologists for Saddam Hussein say he is no better or worse than Arab nationalists such as Gamal Abdel Nasser, but while the late Egyptian leader succesfully exploited superpower confrontation, Saddam is faced with superpower cooperation.

''After Nasser nationalized the Suez Canal (in 1956), his action provoked an Israeli invasion in the Sinai Peninsula and an Anglo-French invasion of the Canal Zone,'' said one Iraqi diplomat in the Middle East who asked not to be named.

''But Nasser knew his cause was right. After many difficulties and sufferings, he emerged victorious and he was a leader of the Arab world. He was respected for his struggle. We believe (Saddam) is doing exactly the same thing as Nasser - standing up for what is right - and he will also emerge victorious.''

Unlike Nasser, who was able to exploit differences both within the Western camp and between the superpowers and emerge from the Suez Canal crisis an Arab hero, Saddam is confronting a united world and a quarter- million multinational troops near his border.

And according to one Soviet correspondent in Cairo, there is also another important difference between Nasser and Saddam: ''Nasser was Egyptian but Saddam is Iraqi. It makes a difference.''

So what makes Saddam stubbornly refuse to get out of Kuwait?

Some analysts believe President Bush pushed Saddam into a corner and left him with no choice other than to sit tight or lose face.

''Bush administration officials have hinted that Washington would be willing to sit down and talk with Saddam if he pulled out of Kuwait,'' said one Palestinian official in Cairo. ''But they must know that Saddam cannot simply surrender and lose face.

''What the Americans could suggest is a face-saving formula: one idea is to give Saddam a pledge that if his troops left Kuwait, then every effort would be made to solve the Palestinian issue in accordance with U.N. resolutions that call for an Israeli pullout from the occupied territories.

''Given the present level of superpower cooperation and the emphasis being placed on obeying U.N. resolutions, there is no reason why Bush could not link withdrawal from Kuwait with withdrawal from the territories,'' the Palestinian added.

''That would give Saddam a chance to proclaim victory without a war. But the question is, do the Americans want Saddam to survive this conflict as a hero and become potentially more dangerous to Western interests in the future, or

do they want to humiliate him and cause his downfall now.''

Others believe the Iraqi leader is determined to consolidate his illegal territorial gain at any price and is willing to risk war and destruction in the hope of slowly turning Arab and Third World opinion to his side.

''Rightly or wrongly, Saddam believes Kuwait is an integral part of Iraq that the British divided'' during the colonial era, said Ian Jones, a Cairo-based writer on Mideast affairs.

''We have a number of other such examples, such as the (1974) Turkish invasion of northern Cyprus. But Saddam did not imagine the United States would lead the world to react in the way it did. There were no signals from Washington beforehand warning him of the consequences. He thought he could get away with it.''

Egyptian newspapers dismiss any comparison between Nasser and Saddam, pointing out that the Iraqi leader swallowed a sovereign Arab and Moslem state for no reason other than greed and political ambition.

''In the final analysis we're talking not only about political interests but about the whims of one man (Saddam),'' commented one Cairo daily. ''Who is to know his mood tomorrow?''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis dominated discussions Tuesday during the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank as finance officials grappled with the reality of rising oil prices and Middle East tensions.

Some of the toughest talk yet came from John Major, England's chancellor for the exchequer, who firmly stated Iraq will not be allowed to profit from its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''If we allow Iraq to profit from the invasion and annexation of her neighbor, no small country will feel secure,'' Major said. ''We must not let that happen. And together, I am sure we will not.''

During an address to banking and finance officials from 152 nations, Major said governments must play a role in reducing the stress placed on the world's economy from rising oil prices, which have doubled since the invasion.

Major said inflation cannot be avoided initially from the oil shock, but he stressed that governments can prevent inflation from becoming permanently entrenched.

''If this means that interest rates in some cases have to be raised, or in others, have to be kept higher for longer than would otherwise have been necessary, then this is what we must do,'' he said.

U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady said the Persian Gulf crisis, which already is forecast to slow economic growth in much of the industrial world, will make it more difficult to navigate between the twin risks of higher inflation and slower growth.

''We need to maintain a careful balance between continued growth, which is essential to achieve our shared objectives, and price stability, which is essential to protect the gains we have made and to ensure that the growth process is not illusory,'' Brady said.

''The gulf crisis has complicated this task, and it will test our ability to steer a course which was already narrow.''

Brady also said that the economic strength of the members of the IMF and World Bank ''must be mobilized to demonstrate collective resolve and make clear our intention not to yield to aggression.''

Brady also discussed President Bush's plans for a U.S.-led multilateral group to coordinate commitments and contributions made by donor nations to help boost the economies of countries hardest hit by higher oil prices.

He called upon the IMF and World Bank to ''extend their hands'' to assist those most affected by skyrocketing oil prices.

Brady suggested the lending agencies adjust their access policy; speed disbursements from the Compensatory and Contingency Financing Facility; widen compensation coverage to include pipeline, transit, transportation and construction fees and expedite disbursements to help countries immediately adjust to higher oil costs.

Karl Otto Poehl, president of the Deutsche Bundesbank, West Germany's central bank, focused his remarks on next week's unification of East and West Germany - a topic largely overshadowed during much of the meeting.

''We have no illusions about the magnitude of the task,'' he said, adding that ''nobody should be surprised to find that decades of economic mismanagement cannot be put right overnight.''

Poehl said the conversion of East Germany into a market economy should serve to inspire other Central and Eastern European nations ''to persevere on the difficult road to reform.''

''It will promoted progress toward economic and political freedom and higher living standards, and this certainly not only in Germany,'' he said.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney issued a momentous order today in anticipation of a troop reduction agreement with the Soviet Union by the end of the year. Cheney told the Joint Chiefs of Staff to bring home 40-thousand American troops from Europe during the next 12 months... beginning Monday. It's believed to be the largest U-S military withdrawal from Western Europe since World War Two. About 330-thousand U-S military personnel are in Western Europe and surrounding waters at present.

An Iraqi Airways plane landed in Amman today... dropped off some passengers... and then flew back to Baghdad loaded with cargo and Arab passengers. That makes Jordan the first country known to violate the U-N Security Council's new air embargo against Iraq. A Western diplomat in Amman says there were some British women and one British diplomat aboard the Boeing 707. .

Jordan admitted allowing the Iraqi jet to land despite earlier assurances by the kingdom that it would abide by U-N sanctions against Baghdad. One Jordanian government official was quoted as saying the plane was allowed to land ''for humanitarian reasons.'' The official said two other Iraqi planes also would be allowed to land in Amman.

The Pentagon's needs for military equipment in August were NOT enough to keep overall durable goods orders from falling by eight-tenths of one percent, wiping out July's two-point-seven percent increase. The figure was down on weaker demand for metals and non-electrical machinery. Analysts now expect to find even higher levels of military orders in the months to come as the Persian Gulf crisis continues.

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TALLAHASSEE, FL (SEPT. 26) UPI - A $200 investment in lottery tickets paid off Wednesday for the ten members of a family pool who stepped forward with the fourth winning ticket in Florida's $106.5 million Lotto jackpot.

It was the largest single investment made thus far by the appropriately named ''Happy Ten Group,'' who also routinely plays the Pennsylvania lottery, said family representative Eileen Cernansky during a news conference at lottery headquarters.

''We are just happy,'' she told reporters.

That leaves two of the six winning tickets unaccounted for in the Sept. 15 jackpot, which was the second largest ever awarded in the United States. The largest was, ironically, a $115.6 million Pennsylvania lottery payout shared

by 14 people in April 1989.

The Happy Ten's share of the Florida jackpot amounts to $17.75 million, payable in annual installments of $887,500.

Members of family syndicates from Miami, Longwood and New Smyrna Beach have already stepped forward to claim their shares of the jackpot. The remaining two tickets were sold in Coconut Creek and Winter Haven.

Cernansky said it took so long to come forward because she had to get all the members of her pool together. She stashed the ticket in a bank safe deposit box ''until some of the hype cooled down,'' she said.

She said she has not been back to her job at a Venice insurance agency since learning of her win the Monday morning after the drawing. She had been traveling and that was her first chance to check the winning numbers in the newspaper.

Other family members winning a share were Kathryn Hallisey of Lake Worth, Michelle McMichael of Altamonte Springs and Margaret Smith of Gainesville. They also included Patricia Carlson, Richard Katcher, Carol Tierney, James Tierney and Tim Tierney, all of Pennsylvania.

Family friend Eleanor Lipp of Pennsylvania also will share in the prize.

Other jackpot winners were Richard and Jeanne Piasecki of New Smyrna Beach, siblings Kathy and Scott Smith of Longwood and Margaret Karis of Miami.

The winning numbers were 5, 6, 21, 34, 35 and 45.

This week's Lotto jackpot is worth an estimated $10 million.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - A Massachusetts court has handed down a 27-toyear prison sentence to a 57-year-old man charged as an ''untreatable'' sex offender who allegedly videotaped a number of his assaults on children. James Newell Senior was known as ''Papa'' to residents of Plainville, Massachusetts. Only later did they learn that he used candy, toys and games to lure young girls to his home. Newell is eligible for parole in 18 years.

New Jersey health officials report what they feel is the nation's first death attributed solely to Lyme disease, spread to humans by infected deer ticks. More than 14-thousand cases have been reported in 43 states since 1980, but the deaths that followed were caused by some underlying factor. This was NOT the case in the death of 11-year-old Mandy Schmidt of Sayreville, New Jersey.

Italian author Alberto Moravia is dead, the apparent victim of either a stroke or cardiac arrest. He was 82. Moravia had undergone a medical check-up as recently as Monday and had been considered to be in good health. He was one of the most translated writers in Italian history, gaining world-wide fame in 1949 with his novel ''Women of Rome.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Faster winds may help offset the global warming many scientists think will occur due to increased emissions of carbon dioxide and other ''greenhouse'' pollutants, a study showed Wednesday.

British scientists said they think it is likely atmospheric warming would boost wind speeds over the ocean, which would lead to more particles of sea salt being swept into the sky.

Salt particles act as ''seeds'' around which water vapor condenses to form clouds. So a greater number of particles should mean more low-lying clouds, which in turn would lower temperatures by blocking the amount of sunlight reaching Earth, researchers said.

The greenhouse effect occurs when carbon dioxide and other gases, acting like the glass windows of a greenhouse trap heat in Earth's atmosphere and prevent it from escaping back into space. Many experts believe the world will grow warmer as a result of increasing pollution, like car exhaust, aggravating the greenhouse effect.

According to estimates by various climate scientists, the continued build-up of greenhouse pollutants could raise global temperatures anywhere from 4 degrees Fahrenheit to nearly 10 degress Fahrenheit over the next 50 to 75 years.

In a study published in the journal Nature, John Latham and M.H. Smith of the University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology estimate wind speed increases between 16.5 feet to 33.0 feet per second could compensate for currently predicted levels of global warming.

The researchers cautioned that their projections are ''highly simplistic,'' and may not hold up when other factors, like uneven distribution of wind speed over oceans, are taken into account. However, they said the work does show wind is ''a possibly important feedback process associated with global warming and should therefore be incorporated into climate models.''

In addition to the research article, Nature published a letter from Latham, in which he speculates it may be possible to control global warming by artificially releasing cloud-forming sea salt particles into the atmosphere.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - The design of U.S. coins has been unchanged for at least a quarter century, but Congress may be on the verge of authorizing new designs and picking up some extra revenue in the process.

A new quarter, bearing a design on the tail side that commemorates the bicentennial of the Constitution, could be in circulation as early as 1991 if the legislation is approved.

New half dollar coins, nickels, dimes and pennies would be phased in over the next six years under the plan now under consideration.

There is widespread support in both the House and Senate for new coins, and authorization for the change is contained in a half-dozen bills. The biggest obstacle is time as Congress pushes toward adjournment, but supporters are confident of success this year.

In addition to delighting coin collectors, new coin designs would bring in as much as $1 billion for the U.S. Treasury, officials have told Congress.

The profit results in part from the difference between the face value of coins and the costs of making them. It costs the U.S. Mint just 2.5 cents to produce a quarter, but the coin is then sold to the Federal Reserve for 25 cents.

Additional profit results from the fact that millions of coins would become souvenirs and be taken out of circulation.

U.S. coins have been changed 33 times in the nation's history, but not recently. The tail sides of the quarter and half dollar were last changed in 1976. The dime was changed in 1946, the nickel in 1938 and the penny in 1959.

''The United States has dragged behind other nations in coin design. There's no reason other than the inertia, the reluctance to change,'' says Rep. Henry Gonzalez, D-Texas, chairman of the House Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee. ''It's overdue. ... Coin design is something that should have happened a long time ago.''

The proposed redesigns would only affect the tail sides of the five coins. The head sides would continue to bear the images of past presidents - Lincoln, Jefferson, Franklin Roosevelt, Washington and Kennedy - but would be modernized. In addition, all present inscriptions, such as ''In God We Trust '' and ''E Pluribus Unum'' would remain.

The new designs for the tail sides of the coins would relate to the U.S. Bill of Rights. The first coin to be changed, the quarter, would bear a temporary two-year design commemorating the bicentennial, and then would be given a new

theme dealing with the Bill of Rights.

All existing coins would remain in circulation. The government never recalls coins, but in the course of time older coins usually disappear as people add them to their coin collections. And that adds to the government's profits as new coins must be minted to keep the overall supply sufficient.

The public also holds on to new coins when they first appear. ''When new coins come out the American public has a habit of keeping them for souvenirs,'' says Diane Wolf, a former member of the U.S. Commission on Fine Arts. ''The American public will keep, on average, 10 coins per person per denomination, as souvenirs.''

''It's proven money'' for the government, says Wolfe, one of the chief advocates of coin redesign. ''It costs this country money not to change our coins.''

Wolf says prospects for passage of the legislation this year are ''very good.'' The measure has been made an amendment to several bills, including the omnibus housing bill and a bill to curb money laundering. Both are top priority measures that congressional leaders want to see passed before adjournment.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Students at both private and public colleges are paying up to 8 percent more for tuition this year, and the hikes can be blamed in part on a drop in enrollment of college-age students, the College Board reported Wednesday.

On the bright side, the report said public and private financial aid to defray the increases has also reached a record high of $28 billion, the College Board reported Wednesday.

The study said almost half of all college students receive public or private assistance.

Students at four-year public colleges are paying an average of $1,809 for tuition and fees this year, up 7 percent. Those at two-year public colleges are paying an average of $884, up 5 percent, the survey showed.

At four-year and two-year private colleges, students are paying an average of $9,391 and $5,003 respectively for tuition and fees, reflecting an 8 percent increase.

The average figure for tuition and fees charged by private colleges last year was $7,685.

The report, also prepared for the American Council on Education, said limited state funding, particularly early in the decade, was one of the causes of higher tuition costs at public colleges and universities during the 1980s.

Donald M. Stewart, president of the College Board, said he was concerned that news of the increases would alarm parents and frighten students away from seeking higher education.

''The tendency to focus on the cost of a relatively small number of high-priced colleges simply adds to the confusion and may lead students and parents to panic if they overestimate the cost of college,'' Stewart said.

''About half of all four-year colleges charge under $5,000 for tuition and fees.''

He said low-income families tend to overestimate the costs and underestimate the help available, while higher income families do the reverse.

''In neither case are they well prepared,'' Stewart said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said Wednesday there are no current plans to use the U.S. military to enforce the air embargo against Iraq and he doesn't expect President Bush to order such action.

''At this point, we don't have any specific directions to use U.S. military force to enforce an air embargo,'' Cheney said in response to a question from a member of the National Association of Business Economists following a speech.

The United Nations approved a resolution Tuesday calling for an air embargo of Iraq in retaliation for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, but the measure contained no specific enforcement provisions.

U.S. and other naval forces already are carrying out interdiction operations in the Persian Gulf, the Gulf of Oman and the Red Sea to enforce an earlier U.N. resolution imposing a trade embargo against Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

But U.S. military officials said it is much easier and less dangerous to get commercial ships to stop for inspection of their cargo than it would be to try to force down aircraft suspected of trying to break the embargo.

Cheney told the business audience, ''I think the intention in terms of how it will operate, is that the nations around Iraq will deny overflight flights that are headed for Baghdad - headed inside Iraq - and that all of the nations

who are members of he United Nations are now, by virtue of that resolution, where they should deny landing rights in their countries to Iraqi aircraft, or aircraft headed to Iraq.''

''There is always the possibility of using U.S. military force to try to enforce an air blockade, but we've not been given any such instructions (from Bush), and I don't expect that we would be,'' Cheney said.

''That would be a different kind of operation than we currently have on the high seas, where we can stop ships, board them if necessary, inspect their cargo, look at their manifest, and satisfy ourselves that they're not in violation of the blockade, and then send them on their way. And that's a different operation, obviously, when we're talking about the air.''

In another area, Cheney sharply criticized the defense authorization bill recently approved by the House as ''crazy.''

''It asks me to cut 130,000 active-duty military personnel from the force. It forces me to keep all the bases open, but cut personnel,'' he said. ''I can't think of a dumber policy.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Carnegie Hall opened its centennial season Wednesday with a gala concert by the Los Angeles Philharmonic, the first of more than 150 events celebrating the nation's best known concert hall.

The first event featured the Philharmonic under the baton of Andre Previn performing Beethoven's Leonore Overture, Schuman's Symphony No. 3 and Itzhak Perlman playing Sam Barber's Violin Concerto, Opus 14.

The day began in the morning with the renaming of 57th Street and Seventh Avenue ''Carnegie Corner'' and was scheduled to end with a $1, 000-a-ticket dinner at the Metropolitan Club.

The opening festivities will continue Thursday with a second concert by the Los Angeles orchestra including the first of 14 works commissioned for the centennial, Steven Stucky's ''Angelus,'' and Emanuel Ax playing Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 3.

The commissions are the most ever made by an American musical organization for one season and will be highlighted by venerable British composer Sir Michael Tippett's ''Byzantium'' for orchestra and a new piano concerto by Italian composer Luigi Nono performed by Maurizio Pollini and the Ensemble Intercontemporain conducted by Pierre Boulez.

''It's the most extraordinary season any concert hall has ever had,''

commented violinist Isaac Stern at the street renaming. Stern saved Carnegie Hall from the wrecker's ball 30 years ago and has been its president ever since.

''We think its an appropriate celebration for the center from which the entire development of American music came.,'' he added. ''Carnegie has been the crown proving place for every single orchestra, every conductor, every pianist, singer, violinist, cellist, jazz player, comedian, and pop singer in this century.

''It's an enormously powerful hall and gives even average performers a glamor and power they wouldn't have in other halls. It is the place you come to prove whether you belong or not. There isn't a career of any stature that didn't come through Carnegie Hall.''

The centerpiece of the centennial is a series of festival concerts beginning next April 26 and ending May 5, 1991, the anniversary date of the hall's opening by the New York Symphony Society and the Oratorio Society of New York under the baton of Peter Ilyich Tchailovsky.

The April 26 program is a concert by the Boston Symphony led by Seiji Ozawa with Mstislav Rostropovich as soloist.

A day-long program is planned for May 5 beginning with a massed choral concert conducted by Robert Shaw and afternoon and evening performances by the New York Philharmonic, who made its home at Carnegie until 25 years ago, conducted by Leonard Bernstein and Zubin Mehta.

A dozen major artists will perform including Jessye Norman, Leontyne Price, Marilyn Horne, Placido Domingo, Rudolf Serkin, Pinchas Zukerman, Yo-Yo Ma and Stern.

The year also will bring improvements in backstage and office space made possible by the construction next door of Carnegie Tower, a skyscraper apartment house whose lower floors will be occupied by Carnegie Hall. The tower also will provide space for a new museum of Carnegie Hall memorabilia including programs, posters, and artists' photographs and personal mementos.

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ST. PAUL, MN (SEPT. 26) UPI - The manager of comedienne Roseanne Barr says she is considering a move of the entire production of ''Roseanne'' to Minnesota to escape the ''loony bin'' in southern California.

Barr's husband Tom Arnold, who is also manger of his wife's highly- rated ABC-TV situation comedy, told the St. Paul Pioneer Press Dispatch in a story published Wednesday that the move could be made as soon as next season.

Arnold said the couple is in the process of buying a house in the Twin Cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis. He said Barr liked the way she was treated at her RiverFest appearance last summer in St. Paul.

He said the show - set in a fictional blue-collar small town in downstate Illinois - could be produced at Paisley Park, a studio complex owned by rock star Prince, in suburban Chanhassen.

From the ''Roseanne'' offices in Burbank, Arnold said: ''We're trying to work out the move. Everyone here is very excited about it. Rosie and I are, I know. We've talked to people out at Paisley Park. That's where we would shoot the show. They are interested. Obviously there are still a lot of things to work out. Things like how much room our sets would need, scheduling, that kind of thing, but yeah, we want to do it. This is nuts the way it's been lately.''

Even if they meet unforseen resistance to the move, Arnold said, he and ''the missus'' are in the process of buying a house in Minnesota. He said they need relief from what he calls ''the loony bin'' in the greater Los Angeles area.

''Logistically it's not a problem,'' Paisley Park spokesman Jim Willis said. ''It's all a matter of scheduling. It'd be tough if they wanted to do it next Monday morning, but we can work it out.''

Arnold said Barr got an appreciative audience on her appearance in St. Paul last August and a ''reasonable'' press, compared with being ''assaulted'' by the tabloid press in Los Angeles.

Barr and her husband have been the frequent targets of screaming headlines in celebrity-watching supermarket tabloids, which maintain a heavy reportorial presence in and around Hollywood.

This past summer, the star also found herself on the front pages of the mainstream press and on network TV newscasts due to the controversy that erupted following her singing of the ''Star Spangled Banner'' at a San Diego Padres game. Barr was roundly criticized for having allegedly sung the national anthem in a disrespectful manner and later issued an apology.

''It's just been crazy,'' Arnold said. It's a bad environment for us. For anyone, if you ask me. But we want to have a family. We're trying to have a family. But you can't live with what we have to live with if you ''live with what we ha

Arnold said they decided to move after a tour in the Midwest.

''It is something we really want to do. I think it's hard for anybody else to understand what it has been like, with these tabloid reporters and photographers crawing all over you. It just won't be as crazy back there.''

''But what if it is?'' reporter Brian Lambert asked.

''Oh, how could it be?'' Arnold said. ''Nothing could be as bad as it is out here. It's just nuts. This place just breeds looniness. You get here and you can't escape it.

''Rosie and I just got back from nine days in Iowa. Minneapolis and St. Paul are a lot different than Iowa, I know, but it convinced us again that it was something we have to do.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Oil prices have skyrocketed on fears of a Mideast war, the Energy Department told Congress Wednesday, but U.S. energy supplies are adequate for a ''normal winter'' - barring no major refinery problems.

Calvin Kent, administrator of the Energy Department's Energy Information Administration, said American energy supplies are generally sufficient for the approaching winter.

He said the biggest problem is propane, which is used for heating - particularly in the cold Northeast and Midwest. Propane also is used for drying crops and as a base for many chemicals.

''There is the possibility of a propane problem this winter,'' Kent told a House Banking, Finance and Urban affairs subcommittee examining U.S. energy preparedness after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Other than the potential propane shortfalls, Kent testified there are generally adequate U.S. supplies of petroleum and heating oil, and refinery capacity is sufficient.

The supply of jet fuel ''deserves watching,'' Kent testified, because of the ''increased demand for military purposes.'' The American military ''is not having difficulty obtaining jet fuel now,'' he said, and ''we expect that this demand can be met by refineries in the Gulf region itself.''

The world oil market lost 4.3 million barrels per day from Iraq and Kuwait, Kent testified, and ''these losses will continue through the winter.'' By the end of the fourth quarter, he said, replacement supplies should total 3.3 million barrels a day.

Some lawmakers at the hearing strongly criticized U.S. oil companies for the sharp rise in gasoline prices and asked Kent why prices had risen so quickly.

''There is no fundamental supply or demand reason for the price of oil to be

as high as it is,'' Kent said. ''The price has basically been bid up by speculative activity based on the fear of war.''

The price of oil ''is well above'' what it should be, absent speculation, Kent said.

Rep. Mary Oakar, D-Ohio, said of the oil companies: ''I think they see an opportunity to make a lot of money,'' adding that Congress ''may have to do something.''

Oakar also criticized President Bush, saying his administration has failed to produce a national energy policy while American imports of foreign oil rose dramatically.

''The president, who was also vice president for eight years, is overdue on this assignment - by our reckoning, 30 months late,'' Oakar said.

Kent said the Energy Department believes ''there will be a normal winter.''

He outlined the following administration views on various energy stocks and refining capacity:

-Gasoline: ''Although gasoline inventories are somewhat low, they are growing'' and currently are at ''the highest level since April, when the summer driving season began.'' With the driving season now over, ''stocks should be adequate.''

-Home heating oil: ''Stocks are high, stocks are rising. They are particularly high on the East Coast,'' where winter demand is greatest.

-Jet fuel: ''This situation deserves watching.'' Stocks are high ''but there is increased demand for military purposes.''

-Propane: The biggest U.S. energy problem and ''there is the possibility of a propane problem this winter,'' particularly if it is very cold. The government previously raised a ''yellow flag'' about propane problems and ''we can change the color of that flag from yellow to, perhaps, red.''

-Crude oil: ''While crude oil stocks are declining, there is no current concern that they will become inadequate during the fourth quarter.''

-Refinery capacity: ''There is, in our opinion, adequate refinery capacity in the United States and worldwide.'' U.S. refineries are running at 98 percent of capacity, increasing the risk of plant breakdowns, but barring major problems crude oil can continue to be processed at current levels.

Kent also said the oil stored in the Strategic Petroleum Reserve in Louisiana is of higher quality than oil imported into the United States and can be

refined easily if Bush gives the order to begin drawing down the emergency supply.

He disagreed with ''some suggestions that this oil is of such low quality that it could not be refined,'' saying that opinion is ''simply not correct.''

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KATMANDU, NEPAL (SEPT. 26) UPI - King Birendra has eliminated a national holiday from the calendar that his father established and substituted his own birthday instead, the government said Wednesday.

The king said Nepalis would no longer celebrate Dec. 15, the day in 1960 his father, King Mahendra, staged a coup and dissolved the country's first government chosen in multi-party elections. Many considered it a black day in Nepalese history.

The system Mahendra instituted was overthrown earlier this year in a popular uprising that left scores dead.

The government said Dec. 28, Birendra's birthday, would henceforth be a day of national celebration.

Nepal's new multi-party government earlier this year decided that Queen Aishwaryaa's birthday on Nov. 8 should continue to be a national holiday, but without the obligatory march to the royal palace by thousands of subjects to wish her a happy birthday.

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UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 26) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, the new odd couple of the post- Cold War period, met for nearly four hours Wednesday discussing new ways to cooperate in the Persian Gulf crisis and other areas.

The two men came up with so many possibilities of cooperation that they agreed they would have to meet again within the next week while both are attending the annual session of the U.N. General Assembly.

Baker said they discussed future prospects for cooperation in dealing with the Persian Gulf situation, as well as other forms of possible cooperation ''within the context of the United Nations.''

''Frankly we ran out of time,'' Baker said, adding the two men planned to meet again in New York within the coming week.

Shevaradnadze agreed, suggesting there were so many issues to be resolved that more than one other meeting might be required.

Baker was lavish in his praise of Shevardnadze's handling of Tuesday's U.N. Security Council meeting, in which it was decided by a 14-1 vote to widen the embargo against Iraq to include banning airline flights except for humanitarian aid.

The Soviet Union, by normal rotation, was president of the Security Council for the unusual ministerial session.

In his speech to the General Assembly earlier Tuesday, the Soviet foreign minister warned that the situation in the gulf was perilously close to war, and cooperative action was required to head it off.

Shevardnadze, standing next to Baker on the sidewalk Wednesday, said, ''We made quite a lot of progress'' and that further meetings would be required to carry the agreement through to completion.

Baker said the talks Wednesday at New York's Waldorf-Astoria Hotel included discussions about ending the strife in Angola and Afghanistan, and negotiations about conventional and strategic arms reductions.

Both men were accompanied by arms control experts in the nearly four hours of talks.

Sessions between Baker and Shevardnadze have become so routine that there is a well-established personal relationship that permits informal exchanges by telephone. Such exchanges led to the ministerial session of the Security Council. Shevardnadze suggested the idea.

Baker called him last week to suggest that this was a good time to put it into practice as a means of emphasizing to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein the importance that the superpowers attach to the dangers of the situation in the Persian Gulf.

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OTTAWA (SEPT. 26) UPI - The tiny group of militant Mohawks that remained from a volatile 11-week standoff with armed soldiers over a land dispute in Quebec was ready to surrender, Mohawk leaders said Wednesday.

Terry Doxtator, spokesman for the Iroquois Confederacy's crisis committee that has been negotiating on behalf of the Mohawks, said in an interview that most of the 41 Mohawks, including 23 Warriors, would begin leaving the drug treatment center on the Kanesatake reserve as early as Thursday morning.

''The individuals have made a decision to leave the compound and go under the trusteeship of the military,'' Doxtator said.

He said, however, he was not sure if all Warriors, a militant faction of the Mohawk nation, would surrender and his committee was working on a plan to protect those who remained behind.

The land dispute began when Quebec police officers stormed a barricade erected by Indians around a proposed golf course expansion they claimed was an ancient burial ground. One officer was killed in the raid.

The dispute spread to the Kahnawake reserve south of Montreal where sympathetic Mohawks closed off major highways and a bridge linking the town of Chateauguay to Montreal.

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AUSTIN, MN (SEPT. 26) UPI - Meatpackers at the Geo. A. Hormel & Co. have approved a company offer giving the 900 workers a 30-cent pay increase over two years.

Local 9 president John Anker of the United Food and Commercial Workers Union said about 69 percent of the 896 workers voted Tuesday. About 65 percent of those voting, or about 400 workers, voted for the proposal, which gives them a 30-cent increase.

Anker said Hormel's proposal will increase the base salary of production workers to $11 an hour from $10.85, retroactive to Sept. 2, and an increase to $11.15 an hour Sept. 1, 1991.

Four years ago, a bitter, yearlong strike ended with the acceptance of a multiyear contract and virtually level wages. Meatpackers had struck in 1985 when the company offered $10.69 an hour.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 26) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	78.50	78.72	78.25	78.47	78.55
Dec	76.20	76.35	75.55	75.70	76.15
Feb	74.50	74.72	74.05	74.12	74.57
Apr	75.27	75.45	75.02	75.07	75.27
Jun	73.15	73.15	72.75	72.90	73.15

Aug 71.62 71.67 71.45 71.45 71.67
Oct 71.70 71.70 71.52 71.52 71.70

Est. sales 19,044 contracts; Tuesday 16,261; open interest 67,972 up 17.
Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb
Sep 89.25 89.25 88.95 89.17 89.02
Oct 86.60 86.80 85.95 86.17 86.55
Nov 86.20 86.35 85.60 85.65 86.27
Jan 85.20 85.37 84.75 84.87 85.40
Mar 83.85 83.90 83.35 83.40 83.95
Apr 82.80 82.85 82.45 82.47 82.82
May 82.10 82.10 81.70 81.70 82.00 Est. sales 1,930 contracts; Tuesday 2,132; open interest 11,596 up 298.
Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
Oct 54.45 54.60 53.85 54.07 54.80
Dec 52.50 52.62 51.70 52.10 52.62
Feb 49.80 49.80 49.40 49.67 49.90
Apr 46.80 46.95 46.50 46.72 46.90
Jun 50.25 50.35 50.05 50.20 50.65
Jly 50.45 50.45 50.02 50.25 50.62
Aug 48.75 49.05 48.70 48.95 49.25
Oct 44.10 44.10 44.05 44.07 44.10 Est. sales 7,924 contracts; Tuesday 7,402; open interest 27,018 up 354.
Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
$$$ae Feb 56.90 56.90 55.50 56.20 56.52
Mar 56.90 56.90 55.55 56.22 56.62
May 57.25 57.55 56.15 57.15 57.40
Jly 56.90 57.20 56.25 57.15 57.40
Aug .... 54.90 54.40 55.00 55.00 Est. sales 3,108 contracts; Tuesday 2,168; open interest 5,796 off 68.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 123.24 unch cents, 700- 850 lbs. 123.28 down 2 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 116.69 up 3 cents, 700-850 lbs. 116.29 up 5 cents.

Pork carlot trading very slow; demand light; fresh pork loins weak-3.00 lower; Boston butts not tested; skinned hams 3.50- 4.50 lower; seedless bellies not tested but a firm undertone prevailed; loins 14-18 lbs. 118.00-118.50; hams 20-26 lbs. 103.00-105.50. 32 lbs. and up 92.00.

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GREENWICH, CONN. (SEPT. 26) UPI - They can't have regular beer, but U.S. troops stationed in Saudi Arabia will be getting what may be the next best thing - non-alcoholic beer.

The Greenwich company that imports and markets Moussy announced Wednesday it has donated 6,000 cases of the non-alocholic beer to be sent to troops in Saudi Arabia.

The 6,000 cases have a wholesale value of roughly $100,000, officials said. Moussy is made in Fribourg, Switzerland, and imported to the United States and marketed by Sibra Products Inc.

Company officials said Moussy tastes like regular beer, which like all alcoholic beverages is prohibited in Saudi Arabia.

''The only difference is that the alcohol is removed after Moussy has been brewed to full fermentation, just like a regular beer,'' said Mark Cooper, president of Sibra Products.

Sibra Products offered to donate the non-alcoholic beer and the offer was accepted by the U.S. and Saudi governments.

Five containers holding the 6,000 cases of Moussy will be loaded Sunday onto the merchant ship Achiever at Port Elizabeth in New Jersey. The ship is scheduled to leave Monday and arrive in the Persian Gulf in late October.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - A Painesville, Ohio, jury began deliberations today on whether to recommend a death sentence for Damon Lundgren, son of cult leader Jeffrey Don Lundgren who was sentenced to death last week. The 19-year- old Lundgren was convicted of aggravated murder and kidnapping in helping his father kill a family belonging to the cult in April 1989 at the cult's farm in Ohio.

Officials in Loganville, Georgia, say a landscaper has served three years and three months of a life prison term after being convicted of a 1986 rape-burglary he apparently did NOT commit. Anthony Echols of Loganville confessed yesterday to a crime for which Willie Frank Williams was convicted in June 1987. Echols was arrested after the case was reopened six weeks ago.

Colombian police say gunmen killed 18 people on a luxurious ranch in what appears to be the latest episode in the war between two rival cocaine gangs. Four other people were wounded when some 30 gunmen in military uniforms entered the ranch 200 miles southwest of Bogota yesterday.

Philippine police say rebels in cars exploded bombs at two soft drink bottling

plants in the Manila area early today... wounding one person and causing considerable damage. Officials say they believe rightist soldiers were responsible for the bombings, but they did NOT rule out communist guerrillas.

Federal tax officials have placed nearly 17-MILLION dollars worth of liens on singer Willie Nelson's real estate holdings and personal property in the Austin area. The liens apparently were filed to ensure payment of Nelson's six-and-a-half-MILLION dollars in delinquent income taxes. An I-R-S spokesman says there's NO deadline for seizing Nelson's property and selling it to satisfy the unpaid taxes.

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EASTCHESTER, N.Y. (SEPT. 26) UPI - Rogue gubernatorial candidate Pierre Rinfret Wednesday stunned Republicans by demanding recognition as head of the state GOP in a power grab that could splinter a party already in disarray.

The unprecedented demand came as Republican county chairmen from around the state gathered in Westchester County for a meeting billed as a fence-mending session with Rinfret, who last week charged leaders of his own party were ''in bed with'' Gov. Mario Cuomo.

Rinfret at the last minute declined to attend the meeting and instead sent aides with a letter containing a resolution demanding county and state leaders name him ''undisputed head of the party,'' and pledging ''maximum direct financial assistance'' to his campaign.

The mood inside the meeting was described as angry when the demands became known.

Rinfret also said he had a helicopter waiting to take him from Manhattan to Westchester County and would head for the meeting the moment the resolution was adopted.

Rinfret said in a letter prefacing the demands that he was taking these actions because Senate Republican leaders allegedly offered him money to cease the verbal assualt he began on them last week.

''I was offered a grand total of $40,000 to shut up, go away and run a dismal campaign for governor,'' he wrote.

Rinfret's underdog candidacy against Gov. Mario Cuomo began to self- destruct on the Republicans last week when Rinfret sent a letter to party leaders saying he was broke, and if he did not get some help from the party he would stop campaigning.

He said $950,000 would be a good start.

Rinfret, a self-made millionaire, has never before run for political office. A recent poll indicated Cuomo was ahead of Rinfret by 45 points, with more Republicans saying they would probably vote for Cuomo than for Rinfret.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 26) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.73 3/4	2.78 3/4	2.73 1/2	2.76 1/2	2.74 3/4
Mar	2.88 1/2	2.92 1/2	2.87 1/2	2.90 1/2	2.89 1/2
May	2.95	3.00	2.95	2.97 3/4	2.96
Jly	3.01 1/2	3.04 1/2	3.01	3.03	3.01 1/4
Sep	3.09	3.10	3.08	3.07	3.05 3/4
Dec	3.17	3.18	3.17	3.16 1/2	3.16
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.27	2.29	2.26	2.28 1/4	2.27 3/4
Mar	2.36	2.38 1/2	2.35 3/4	2.37 3/4	2.37 1/4
May	2.41 1/2	2.44	2.41 1/2	2.43 3/4	2.43 1/4
Jly	2.46	2.47 1/4	2.45 1/4	2.47	2.47
Sep	2.44	2.44	2.42 1/4	2.43 1/4	2.44 1/2
Dec	2.45	2.45 1/4	2.43 1/2	2.44 3/4	2.45 1/2
Mar	2.50	2.50 1/2	2.50	2.51 1/2	2.52 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.14 1/4	1.15 1/2	1.12 1/2	1.14 1/4	1.14 1/2
Mar	1.24 1/2	1.26	1.22 3/4	1.24 3/4	1.25
May	1.30	1.33	1.30	1.32 1/2	1.32 1/2
Jly	1.39	1.39	1.38	1.39 1/4	1.39 1/4
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	6.16	6.18 3/4	6.12 1/2	6.15 1/2	6.17 1/2
Jan	6.31	6.33	6.27	6.30	6.32
Mar	6.43 1/2	6.45 1/2	6.40	6.42 1/4	6.44 3/4
May	6.53	6.54 3/4	6.49	6.51 1/4	6.53 1/2
Jly	6.59 3/4	6.61 1/4	6.55	6.58 1/4	6.61
Aug	6.55	6.56 1/2	6.55	6.54	6.57
Nov	6.26	6.27	6.24	6.24 3/4	6.26 3/4
Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Oct	23.57	23.75	23.46	23.46	23.59
Dec	23.75	23.91	23.68	23.75	23.78
Jan	23.95	24.15	23.95	24.00	24.00

Mar	24.23	24.40	24.23	24.27	24.28
May	24.43	24.50	24.40	24.47	24.45
Jly	24.50	24.55	24.50	24.55	24.50
Aug	24.50	24.50	24.40	24.40	24.35
Sep	24.10	24.10	24.10	24.10	24.20
Oct	23.70	23.70	23.90	23.75	23.98
Dec	23.40	23.60	23.40	23.60	23.70

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	175.80	177.20	175.20	176.50	176.50
Dec	181.00	182.30	180.10	181.80	181.50
Jan	183.30	184.10	182.20	183.60	183.50
Mar	186.50	187.00	188.50	186.70	186.70
May	187.30	188.00	186.80	188.00	188.00
Jly	189.50	189.60	188.30	190.00	189.50
Aug	188.50	189.50	188.50	189.00	188.50
Sep	188.00	189.00	188.00	188.70	189.00
Oct	187.50	187.50	187.50	187.70	186.50
Dec	187.00	188.00	187.00	188.50	186.50

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Best But (2nd Q 9-1)	
$152,170,000	$118,012,000
$843,000 (.10)	$254,000 (.03)
Calstar Inc (1st Q 7-31)	
$4,873,000	$4,138,000
d-$109,000	d-$227,000
d-Deficit.	
ISCO Inc (4th Q 7-31)	
$9,046,000	$7,814,000
$984,000 (.24)	$595,000 (.14)
Rochester Comm Sav Bk (3rd Q 8-31)	
....	....
$4,026,00 (.29)	$5,374,000 (.39)

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 23 to 27 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.98	11.05	10.80	10.82	11.08
Mar	10.75	10.82	10.57	10.58	10.85
May	10.75	10.82	10.59	10.60	10.85
Jly	10.76	10.77	10.59	10.60	10.84
Oct	10.78	10.82	10.66	10.66	10.89

Estimated sales: 22,748 contracts
Open interest: 105,873 off 4,179
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.92

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 8 points higher to 5 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.31	23.35	23.31	23.35	23.31
Jan	23.13	23.13	23.13	23.13	23.13
Mar	23.08	23.09	23.05	23.05	23.08
May	23.16	23.18	23.16	23.18	23.12
Jly	23.16	23.20	23.16	23.20	23.12
Sep	23.14	23.18	23.14	23.18	23.14
Nov	22.90	22.90	22.85	22.85	22.90

Estimated sales: 692 contracts
Open interest: 11,472 up 202

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DENVER (SEPT. 26) UPI - The government's conflict-of-interest case against the president's son, Neil Bush, bogged down Wednesday in testimony by expert witnesses over legal ethics.

In the first public hearing into the failure of a savings and loan, an administrative law judge is considering government allegations that Bush, 35, acted improperly while he was an outside director of Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan.

Bush, who was a director from August 1985 to August 1988, did not appear during the first two days of the hearing. He and another former director of the failed thrift are expected to testify Thursday.

The collapse of Silverado in December 1988 is expected to cost taxpayers at least $1 billion. Besides being one of the largest savings and loan failures in the country, it has received increased attention because of the involvement

of the president's son.

The Office of Thrift Supervision has charged Bush with three violations of conflict of interest rules.

One charge says Bush failed to fully disclose his financial ties with developer Bill Walters while voting on $111 million in loans and transactions. The other allegations are that Bush failed to fully disclose his financial dependence on developer and Silverado borrower Ken Good.

Among those testifying Wednesday were Geoffrey Hazard, a law professor at Yale Law School and director of the American Law Institute, and Edward Conry, an associate professor of business law and ethics at the University of Colorado at Denver and former research fellow at Yale Divinity School.

Hazard testified that he believes Bush did nothing wrong while he was a Silverado director. But Conry said he thought Bush put himself in situations where his self interest was in competition with the best interests of Silverado.

Hazard testified that Bush was not a party to any transactions on loans between Silverado and Walters, and therefore did not breach Colorado conflict-of-interest rules. Colorado law also did not prevent Bush from seeking a $900,000 line of credit for Good, which was to be used for a joint venture between Bush and Good, the professor said.

''There is nothing inconsistent between Bush's actions and generally accepted ethical principles,'' Hazard testified.

Bush had told other directors that he had a business connection with Good, although a former senior official of the thrift testified Tuesday he was not fully aware of the relationship when he approved the $900,000 line of credit. Bush abstained from voting on the line of credit, which was never used.

Conry was questioned about his earlier written testimony, which said Bush had assumed the obligation of placing the thrift's interest above his own. The professor said Bush did not sufficiently disclose his relationships with Walters and Good.

Because Bush has a master's degree in business administration, Conry said he thinks Bush ''would have been aware of the legal and moral obligations which were the foundations of his position as a director of Silverado.''

''I conclude Mr. Bush was imprudent, unethical and fully culpable,'' Conry said.

Good and Walters defaulted on about $130 million in loans from Silverado.

A final decision in the case is not expected until next spring. If Bush is found guilty, he would be barred from similar actions if he ever became involved again in the thrift business.

The hearing is being held in Denver's largest courtroom, seating 150 people. It was crowded with reporters, sketch artists and the general public. Cameras have been barred from the proceedings.

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NEW DELHI, INDIA (SEPT. 26) UPI - Two youths doused their clothes with fuel and set themselves ablaze Wednesday while police shot and killed five demonstrators as violent protests against a controversial federal job quota program spread across northern India.

The widespread protests against the government quota scheme were the worst since Prime Minister V.P. Singh announced in early August that 27 percent of all federal jobs would be reserved for members of the so-called backward classes.

Under the caste system, Hindus are born into four basic levels of society, with the priestly Brahmins at the top and the untouchables, who are restricted to menial tasks, at the bottom. Traders, farmers and others belong to the two intermediate castes.

High-caste youths oppose the job reservation scheme because it will restrict their ability to find work in India's elaborate bureacracy, which includes not only government and military service but banks, railways and other forms of business.

The high-caste students also claim the job quotas will enshrine the caste system in law, increase government inefficiency by eliminating merit and fail to improve the social condition of the underprivileged.

''When I score 80 percent and another person scores 40 percent, why shouldn't I get the job?'' said one student. ''When I've worked so hard, when I've burned the midnight oil, why shouldn't I get it?''

But proponents of job reservation say it will give lower-caste citizens, who represent about 54 percent of India's 830 million people, a better opportunity to obtain government employment, which traditionally has been the domain of the upper castes. The latest decision will not affect the untouchables. Since the 1950s, 22.5 percent of all federal jobs have been reserved for them.

The violent protests prompted authorities to impose curfews on cities in several states, and Police Commissioner Vijay Karan issued an order barring public assembly, slogan shouting and demonstrations in several neighborhoods

of the capital.

Despite the violence, the prime minister defiantly rejected calls for his resignation, saying, ''I wish to assure my party and the millions who believe in what I am doing that I have no intention to shirk the responsibility that has been cast upon me.''

Singh, looking tired in a televised address, expressed ''profound anguish'' over the decision of several students to set themselves on fire, adding ''the goal of my government is to provide social justice, not to deprive anyone of employment opportunities.''

He appealed for students to open a dialogue with the government, but refused to back away from the quota program, saying, ''It gives me profound satisfaction that the National Front government has been able to bring a glimmer of hope to the eyes of those who have known only social oppression for centuries.''

Singh's remarks came at the end of a day when police clashed with protesters in the capital and at least six different states. Police fired at protesters in the city of Modinagar in Uttar Pradesh state, killing three people and wounding 20 others, the Press Trust of India reported.

Police also shot and killed a protester in Jammu, the winter capital of Jammu and Kashmir state, authorities said. Another 20 people were injured by tear gas and stones thrown by demonstrators, they said. Police also shot dead a youth in New Delhi.

The violence came as merchants in the capital observed a general strike called by a key political backer of the Singh administration to protest the heavy-handed use of police force against student demonstrators.

The incidents prompted former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, the head of the opposition Congress (I) Party, to demand Singh's resignation, saying, ''Never before has the nation been so deeply divided and never before have the people been so deeply anguished.''

A wave of attempted self-immolations continued, with a youth pouring fuel on his body and setting himself ablaze on a bridge in central New Delhi. Chetan Gautam suffered burns on 50 percent of his body, police said.

Another student set himself ablaze in Madhaya Pradesh state south of New Delhi. Police identified the man as Mahesh, a 26-year-old college student who received burns over 40 percent of his body.

The youths were the seventh and eighth people to set themselves ablaze since last Wednesday in protest over the decision to reserve federal jobs for members of the backward classes. The death of another student who set himself

afire touched off the violent protests Tuesday.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Gold futures closed 420 to 580 points higher Wednesday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Sep	399.90	....	....	406.60	402.40
Oct	400.50	409.00	399.30	407.00	402.80
Dec	405.30	414.00	404.10	412.80	407.60
Feb	409.50	418.50	409.50	417.40	412.10
Apr	414.30	422.00	413.00	421.80	416.40
Jun	420.00	426.50	418.90	426.40	420.90
Aug	425.00	430.70	425.00	430.70	420.90
Oct	428.80	435.70	428.80	435.70	430.00
Dec	433.20	444.10	433.20	440.60	434.80
Feb	439.00	445.70	439.00	445.70	439.90
Apr	442.20	....	....	450.50	444.70
Jun	447.40	....	....	455.70	449.90

Open interest: 114,427 off 1,976.

Estimated sales: 60,000 contracts.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Older women who get enough calcium in their daily diet can prevent much of the bone loss that makes many women prone to bone fractures after they go through menopause, researchers said Wednesday.

A two-year study involving 301 women found those who are six or more years beyond menopause can reduce loss of bone in their spines and hips by consuming the equivalent of three servings of calcium-rich food each day.

''This is the first study to show significant effects from calcium in reducing bone loss in the spine and hip,'' said Dr. Bess Dawson-Hughes of a Department of Agriculture nutrition research center at Tufts University in Boston.

The study shows ''older women can guard against bone loss simply by making sure they have a daily calcium intake of at least 800 milligrams.'' They can accomplish this with three servings of calcium- rich foods such as milk, yogurt, green leafy vegatables or fortified orange juice, she said.

''We are recommending first and foremost a calcium-rich diet. But for those women who cannot or will not get all the way to 800 milligrams with food sources, it would be better to get there with calcium supplements than not get

there at all,'' she said.

About one-fourth of all women who are beyond menopause, and thus no longer producing estrogen, experience the excessive bone loss that characterizes the disorder osteoporosis. It is estimated that osteoporosis causes 1.3 million fractures in the United States annually.

Prior research has produced conflicting information about the effectiveness of calcium in preventing bone loss, she said. ''Several studies of post-menopausal women failed to show any demonstrable effect from calcium. But our research showed that it depends who you are looking at. Our work makes it clear there is an effect in women with low calcium intake,'' she said.

Half the women studied had a daily intake of less than 400 milligrams of calcium, while the other half had intakes of between 400 milligrams and 650 milligrams.

One third of each group took a daily supplement of 500 milligrams of calcium carbonate, another third took 500 milligrams daily of calcium citrate malate and the remaining third received an inactive substance.

While calcium carbonate is commonly used in supplement tablets, calcium carbon malate, or CCM, is calcium combined with two naturally occurring fruit acids. It is commercially available in one type of orange juice.

Among the 234 women who were six or more years past menopause, those who took the CCM supplements had no statistically significant loss of bone in their hips, spines or forearms during the course of the study, Dawson-Hughes and colleagues reported in The New England Journal of Medicine.

The older menopausal women who took the calcium carbonate supplements experienced significant bone loss in the spine, but not in the hips or forearms.

The older group receiving the placebo had bone loss from the spine, and those in this group with low calcium intake also lost bone in the hips and forearms, the study found.

Significant loss was defined as at least a 1.6 percent bone loss from the spine, 2.4 percent from the hip and 2.6 percent from the forearm.

CCM apparently was more effective in reducing bone loss because it is better absorbed by the body, the researchers said.

Among the 67 women in the study who were less than six years beyond menopause, neither of the calcium supplements reduced the rapid 10 percent to 15 percent loss of bone density that typically results from cessation of production of the hormone estrogen, Dawson-Hughes said.

For reasons not fully understood by scientists, estrogen apparently inhibits the ability of large cells in the body called osteoclasts to break down bone tissue and absorb it. The study found calcium could not prevent the bone loss from lack of estrogen which occurs within several years of menopause.

A federal nutrition survey completed in 1980 found the average daily calcium intake for women over the age of 44 was only 475 milligrams - far less the recommended daily average of at least 800 milligrams, Dawson-Hughes said.

The research was partially funded by the Procter and Gamble Co. of Cincinatti which holds a patent on CCM.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	363.73	217.60	131.75	21.21	308.26
Opening	362.17	218.66	131.62	21.13	307.13
11 a.m.	359.46	217.31	131.06	20.83	304.82
Noon	358.04	216.25	130.52	20.68	303.53
1 p.m.	359.64	217.53	131.02	20.77	304.88
2 p.m.	358.90	216.61	130.98	20.73	304.31
3 p.m.	358.51	216.42	203.89	20.64	303.93

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JERUSALEM (SEPT. 26) UPI - Parliament Wednesday debated the slaying of an Israeli soldier and the military's subsequent mass demolitions in a Palestinian refugee camp, with left-wing politicians warning against enlarging the gulf between Palestinians and Israelis.

Giorgio Giacomelli, commissioner-general of the U.N. Relief and Works, arrived to investigate the situation in the Gaza Strip's Bureij refugee camp. He said he worried whether the demolitions of more than three dozen homes and shops would change the recent relative quiet of the area. Giacomelli suggested the Israeli measures were disproportionate.

Army Radio quoted a senior military officer in Gaza as saying he believed the demolitions would not increase the violence of the 33- month-old Palestinian uprising. Palestinian underground leaders, however, have issued leaflets calling for confrontations with Israeli soldiers in solidarity with Bureij,

under curfew since the Sept. 20 slaying of reserve Sgt. Amnon Pomerantz.

''In this case, a severe reaction was needed and not a mumbling one to signal to the population of the strip that the Israel Defense Force will not just sit still after the murder of the soldier,'' the senior officer was quoted as saying.

Israeli military officials and government leaders, however, have consistently dismissed characterization of the demolitions as collective punishment, saying the camp's narrow main commercial road had to be widened for military reasons. At the same time, they have said those directly involved in the soldier's death would be punished.

In an effort to prevent disturbances in the wake of the demolitions and apparently to search for additional suspects, the military clamped curfews on at least four Gaza villages and refugee camps, confining more than 100,000 Palestinians to their homes. A general strike called in solidarity with Iraq also shut down the Israeli-occupied territories Wednesday.

Giacomelli visited the Bureij Palestinian refugee camp Wednesday, a day after the army completed the demolition of 26 shops and seven homes. On Tuesday, the Supreme Court reaffirmed the military's demolition orders, which army commanders said were issued to ensure greater security for military patrols who have been attacked along the narrow road, where Pomerantz was killed.

Defense Minister Moshe Arens told the Knesset's special session on the slaying that the ruling right-wing Likud Party did not support collective punishment. The measures that were taken ''to increase the security in the camp did not circumvent the country's laws.''

In reaction, Knesset member Binyamin Ben-Eliezer of the opposition Labor Party said, ''The reaction should be directed only against those that were directly involved in setting fire to Pomerantz.'' The Israeli reserve soldier, who mistook the entrance to Bureij for the entrance to his army base, was stoned and burned to death in his car by a Palestinian mob after he injured two teenagers while trying to escape.

''Enlarging the circle will only increase the fire and enlarge the number of demonstrations,'' Ben-Eliezer said.

Knesset member Dedi Zucker said, ''The murder grows on an earth of hatred that does not decrease.''

The U.N. Relief and Works Agency, which oversees Palestinian refugee camps and aid in the Middle East, estimated 23 refugee families were displaced by the demolitions. Estimates range from 130 to as many as 300 Palestinians who were affected in Bureij, where more than 19,000 people live.

The military has said it would provide land to build and the army would aid in construction of new structures. In the past, Palestinians have shied away from compensation by Israeli authorities to avoid the impression of acquiescing.

But Freih Abu Middain, chairman of the Gaza Bar Association, indicated Palestinians might accept the offers this time as long as they were not forced to accept land outside of Bureij. Abu Middain was allowed into Bureij Wednesday to provide legal advice to the homeless refugees.

''If it is a good offer, we will accept it,'' he said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady, in a letter Wednesday, called on Congress to approve funding for the Resolution Trust Corp. or face a shutdown of the agency charged with selling assets of failed thrifts.

''We believe that Congress must pass legislation providing additional funds, if RTC is to continue to fulfill its mandate,'' Brady said in the letter to Rep. Henry Gonzalez, D-Texas, chairman of the House Banking Committee.

Brady said unless Congress takes action by mid-October, his department could be faced with the task of ''shutting down the resolution activity of the RTC '' which would run out of money by the end of December.

The Bush administration, which in the past underestimated the magnitude of the savings and loan bailout, has yet to request a specific amount of money for funding the thrift agency in fiscal 1991.

Congress, meanwhile, has not been willing to make any recommendations, although it is believed that at least $120 million is needed for the RTC to carry out its behemoth task.

Brady's letter was obtained by reporters as the White House and congressional leaders struggled to slash the government's fiscal 1991 budget to avert $105 billion in automatic spending cuts that take effect Monday.

In early August, the Treasury Department recommended Congress either pass a short-term funding bill to keep the RTC running in February, approve as much as $50 billion to cover losses from the sales of failed thrifts during the fiscal year, or provide ''a permanent and indefinite approach.''

Brady reminded Gonzalez his staff ''has been working closely with your staff on the banking committee and has provided draft legislation language for each of the three approcahes we have suggested.''

In a letter released Monday, Brady also warned Congress that the entire government could run out of cash by Thursday unless lawmakers agreed to increase the debt limit to $3.509 trillion.

Temporary legislation boosting the debt limit to $3.195 trillion expires at midnight Tuesday, and ''without an increase in the debt limit, all issuance of Treasury securities would cease,'' he said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	404.25	up 8.25
Morning fixing	401.75	off 2.50
Afternoon fixing	402.70	off 1.55
Close	405.375	up 1.125
Paris	403.59	up 9.76
Zurich	402.50	off 3.00
Hong Kong	400.85	off 5.02
New York		
Comex spot close	406.60	up 4.20
Republic cash	407.25	up 4.75
Handy and Harman	402.70	off 1.05

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 404.03 off 1.06 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 424.23 off 1.12 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.798	off 0.036
Republic cash	4.815	off 0.045

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.795 per fine ounce off 0.07

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.795 off 0.08 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.131 off 0.085

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 451.00 off 12.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 551.00 off 12.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 100.75 off 2.75 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 115.75 off 2.75.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90269u1516 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (SEPT. 26) UPI - Sun Microsystems Inc., the leading seller of computer workstations, introduced a printer and printing software Wednesday aimed at boosting its sales in office markets dominated by personal computers.

Sun introduced a $2,695 laser printer, called the Sparcprinter, that can print up to 12 pages a minute, compared with 8 to 10 pages a minute for comparable printers from other companies.

Perhaps more important, Sun introduced a $495 software package, called NewSprint, that will allow its workstations to work with printers from a number of different vendors, including market leader Hewlett- Packard Co., Canon, Versatec and others.

Analysts said the software was critical for Sun to expand its sales into the general office market, which demands computers that can work with existing equipment.

''It helps them cross that magic line,'' said Cliff Friedman, an analyst for Bear Stearns.

Sun leads the $6.1 billion market for computer workstations, used largely by engineers, but it has had a more difficult time penetrating the $34.6 billion market for personal computers used in most offices.

The company has steadily increased its presence in the office market, however, and has won over many corporate buyers with a steady stream of high-performance products. Many financial analysts currently use Sun machines.

''They are really making themselves a well-rounded computer company,'' said Laura Conigliaro, an analyst with Prudential-Bache Securities. ''I think the pressure is on any company that still is in the mode of thinking of Sun simply as a workstation competitor.''

Until now, Sun has bought and resold Apple LaserWriter printers modified to work with its workstations. With its new software, graphics and text produced on Sun workstations can be printed on virtually any printer, Sun said.

Most laser printers today use an industry standard software called PostScript, developed by Adobe Systems Inc. of Mountain View, Calif., to accurately print graphics and text.

With its new software, Sun has developed a clone of PostScript that is stored in the computer itself, not in the printer. Next Computer Inc. of Redwood City

Calif., has pursued a similar strategy, although its uses PostScript.

By storing the printing software within the computer, the cost of the printer goes down and the printing speed goes up, Sun said.

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#90269u1535 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 26) UPI - Rebels tossed bombs at four American-linked multinational companies within 24 hours Wednesday, damaging three of the plants and slightly injuring one person, police said.

Police Col. Remy Macaspac said witnesses reported a blast at the Colgate Palmolive, Philippines compound after two cars sped by. The bomb hit a tree and exploded on the ground, slightly damaging a wall and smashing a glass window, he said.

The explosion was the third Wednesday and the 28th in or near Manila since Aug. 13. The previous incidents were blamed on rebel soldiers.

Earlier Wednesday, police said men exploded bombs at the Coca-Cola bottling plant near President Corazon Aquino's Malacanang Palace and at a Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company in suburban Quezon City.

Police reported severe damage to the soft drink companies. One person was injured at the Coca-Cola facility.

Two men riding on a motorcycle also tossed a bundle of dynamite at Motorola Philippines, Inc., a U.S.-owned electronics company, in nearby Paranaque town Tuesday night. The bomb landed at a chemical storehouse but did not explode, police said.

Police also found four unexploded molotov cocktails at a hospital parking lot in suburban Quezon City and searched a dormitory at the nearby state-run University of the Philippines after students reported a bomb threat.

The bombing at 4:15 a.m. at the Coca Cola bottling plant in the residential San Miguel district near the presidential palace tore down the wood and metal ceilings of the warehouse and damaged a plant generator, police said.

An employee was slightly wounded, they said.

Witnesses said they saw men in a speeding van toss the bomb over the compound's steel gate. Police bomb experts said the device might have exploded while in the air and indications from debris at the scene showed the bomb was made of dynamite sticks.

Twenty minutes earlier, men also hurled a bomb at the Pepsi Cola bottling

plant in Quezon City, shattering the metal door of the water pump, police said. No one was injured, they said.

Rightist soldiers were believed behind the bombings, but Maj. Gen. Rodolfo Biazon, deputy armed forces chief of staff, did not rule out the possibility communist guerrillas were involved.

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#90269u1538 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

SANTA MONICA, CA (SEPT. 26) UPI - Defense attorneys for Marlon Brando's son sought Wednesday to have the charges against him reduced from murder to manslaughter, arguing that the shooting of his half sister's boyfriend was accidental.

The lawyers for Christian Brando also asked a judge to sever the murder count from a felony charge of illegal possession of a machine gun.

Santa Monica Superior Court Judge Robert Thomas was expected to rule on the motions later in the day.

Thomas was also to hear defense arguments to supress a tape-recorded statement Christian gave police the night of the slaying on which he says the killing was an accident that occurred during a struggle with the victim.

The lawyers say police did not properly read Brando his Miranda rights before he made the statement.

In arguing for reducing the murder charge, defense attorney Robert Shapiro said, ''The prosecution has failed to establish malice, a crucial element of murder. The charge of murder is unwarranted. This case is no more than manslaughter.''

In response, Deputy District Attorney Steven Barshop, said: ''Shooting someone in the face at point-blank range is murder.''

Christian, 32, allegedly shot and killed Dag Drollet, 26, in Marlon Brando's Hollywood Hills estate May 16.

Drollet was the boyfriend of Christian half sister, Cheyenne, and the son of an influential political figure in Tahiti.

In his statement to police, Brando said, ''I shot him man, but not on purpose.''

Prosecutors, however, contend Christian premeditated the slaying after Cheyenne told him Drollet had been abusing her.

Marlon Brando, whose recent announcement that his as-yet unwritten memoirs are on the auction block has set off a publishers' bidding war, was in court Wednesday.

The 66-year-old Academy Award-winning star, after a lifetime of guarding his privacy, is peddling his autobiography ''to set the record straight,'' he told Los Angeles Times. Already, a hurried offer of $2 million has been rejected as too low.

Attorney Belinda Frixou, Brando's general adviser for the past decade, denied the actor needs the money to pay defense fees for his son.

If convicted of murder, Christian could be sentenced to 25 years to life in state prison. He does not face a possible death sentence.

Barshop has said Drollet's body was found with a television remote control in one hand and a cigarette lighter in the other, indicating there was no struggle with Christian prior to the shooting.

In June, Cheyenne Brando, 20, told police that her half brother had spoken on numerous occasions about killing Drollet and that on the evening of the slaying, he had picked up the murder weapon at his girlfriend's residence.

Cheyenne, who was pregnant with Drollet's child at the time of the slaying, has since flown back to Tahiti, apparently to avoid testifying against Christian.

Prosecutors are attempting to subpoena her to testify at Christian's trial, scheduled for Oct. 9. A federal judge earlier this month turned down their request to ask French Polynesian authorities to subpoena her in Tahiti.

After spending three months in County Jail, Christian was freed in August when his father posted his $4 million estate as bail.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly lower.

American Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed slightly higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed broadly lower in light trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1 1/4 to up 1/2, beans were off 2 to off 3, wheat was up 1/2 to up 1 3/4 and oats were unchanged to off 1/4.

Cattle Trade - 50 cents to $2 lower; top $78.25.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $14 to $17 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.85 cent lower to 0.85 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 4.60 cents higher to 1.05 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.54 cent higher to 0.30 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $4.20 to $5.80 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $4.00 to $6.50 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.90 cent to 1.80 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 3.6 to 4.2 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.023 to 0.027 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90269u1576 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Yields rose on four-year notes Wednesday to an average of 8.53 percent, the highest since 8.58 percent March 28, the Treasury

Department announced.

The government said it auctioned $8.328 billion of the 8 1/2 percent interest rate notes at an average of $99.900 with 100 equaling the face value and one point representing $10 on each $1,000 investment. At the last auction June 27, the average yield was 8.50 percent.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Newsweek and a Times Mirror Co. subsidiary said Wednesday they are working together in an effort to attract scarce advertising dollars by offering joint ad buys in 11 magazines that reach a total of 42 million adults.

The "Newsweek/Times Mirror Ad-Vantage" program is the first marketing package involving high-circulation consumer magazines to be offered by separate companies working together, spokesmen for Newsweek and Times Mirror Magazines said.

The program "will enable advertisers to reach 30 percent more adults than 'The Cosby Show' and ten times more men than ABC-TV's 'Wide World of Sports,"' said Peter Eldredge, Newsweek's publisher. Advertisers can reach 33 percent of the total U.S. male population, or 28.5 million men, as well as 42 million adults in all, Eldredge said.

Times Mirror Magazines' titles are: Field & Stream, Golf, Home Mechanix, Outdoor Life, Popular Science, Salt Water Sportsman, Ski, Skiing, and Yachting. The program also covers The Sporting News, which is a separate Times Mirror subsidiary.

"It's a very interesting and different arrangement," said Beth Rockwood, senior vice president and director of media planning for Young and Rubicam Inc., a leading ad agency. "Although the concept of a group buy is something we're all very familiar with, this is really the first time that two separate companies have arranged a group buy."

Rockwood described the program as "a share-building strategy" for both companies. "Since magazine spending in total is not really growing in terms of share of advertising dollars, everbody is fighting for share. This gives both companies entree to some new advertising dollars," she said.

Times Mirror Magazines Executive Vice President James Kopper said the program has four components: a network package offering advertisers substantial reach and penetration through multi-title buys; custom advertising supplements; extension programs including special events; and cross-media opportunities involving newspaper, radio, cable and television. Typical program options include joint advertising supplements or advertorials and special joint- or

single-sponsor publications.

Newsweek, a Washington Post Co. publication with circulation of 3.1 million, and the ten Times Mirror publications, with a combined circulation of 9.4 million, together would offer advertisers a total circulation of 12,507,261 for the first half of 1990,according to Audit Bureau of Circulations figures. The total readership figure of 42 million adults is based on the assumption that more than one person reads each issue of the magazines.

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#90269u1589 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney ordered the withdrawal of 40,000 troops from Europe over the next 12 months in what will be the largest single U.S. troop cut in Europe since 1948, the Pentagon announced Wednesday.

Cheney's action was taken in anticipation of a successful conclusion of an agreement with the Soviet Union by the end of the year on reducing conventional forces in Europe.

''We have to begin the drawdown now to respond in an orderly way to changing security requirements and declining defense budgets,'' Cheney said.

Cheney directed Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to reduce the number of U.S. forces in Europe by 40,000 during fiscal 1991, which begins Monday and ends Sept. 30, 1991.

Steve Lofgren, a historian at the Army's Center of Military History, said the 40,000 troop cut would be the largest single U.S. military withdrawal from Western Europe since 1948, when American troop strength settled at slightly more than 80,000 following the end of World War II.

The Pentagon said the United States has about 330,000 military personnel in Western Europe and surrounding waters. This includes about 215,000 Army, 85,000 Air Force, 30,000 Navy and 3,700 Marine personnel, though many of the sailors at sea have been sent into Middle East waters.

''Over the coming year, the U.S. Army will reduce its presence in Europe by 30,000 and the U.S. Air Force by 10,000,'' the Pentagon said.

''Although the personnel drawdown will begin in October, no units will be deactivated before Jan. 1, 1991, to allow the affected units planning time and to avoid placing excessive strain on the logistics system,'' it added.

Details on specific units and timetables for withdrawal will be announced by the headquarters of U.S. Army-Europe and U.S. Air Force- Europe as decisions are made, the Pentagon said.

''Military units normally require three to four months to close down, once a deactivation order is given,'' the Pentagon said. ''By taking these anticipatory steps, the reductions can be spread throughout the entire 1991 fiscal year, instead of waiting for an agreement to be signed and compressing the reductions into a fraction of a year.''

U.S. and Soviet negotiators at the Conventional Forces in Europe, or CFE, talks in Vienna are working on a proposal to reduce the number of troops to 195,000 each in Central Europe. The United States would be able to maintain an additional 30,000 outside the central region, such as in Britain.

President Bush's proposed budget for fiscal 1991, which begins Oct. 1, called for trimming the ranks of the 2.1 million U.S. troops by 38, 000, but it did not specify where the forces would be reduced.

A Pentagon spokesman said these 40,000 to be withdrawn from Europe are ''part of the effort to reduce (total military) end-strength by 40, 000 in fiscal 1991.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.35

60 to 89 days 8.22

90 to 119 days 8.15

120 to 149 days 8.14

150 to 179 days 8.07

180 to 270 days 8.02

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.25 - 8.00

Issuers 30 days 8.18

Issuers 90 days 7.75

Issuers 270 days 7.49

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.35

60 to 89 days 8.35

90 to 119 days 8.35

120 to 149 days 8.35

150 to 179 days 8.35

180 days 8.35

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

1 month 8.375 - 8.50

3 month 8.375 - 8.50

6 month 8.375 - 8.50

Year 8 7-16 - 8 9-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.33 - 7.31

6 months 7.36 - 7.34

Year 7.31 - 7.29

Federal Funds: High 8 1/4, Low 8 3-16, Close 8 3-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 8.045 up 0.026.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90269u1594 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (SEPT. 26) UPI - Soviet aviation officials looking for new planes and technology and Western businessmen anticipating huge new markets said at a trade show Wednesday they are optimistic about future cooperation, but some major problems remain.

More than 250 companies from 17 countries were represented at the Moscow Aerospace 90 show that closed Wednesday, and nearly all of them were looking to do business.

Western aircraft giants Boeing, McDonnell Douglas, Aerospatial and British Aerospace joined Soviet manufacturers Tupolev, Ilyushin, Yakovlev and Antonov in the huge main hall of the Exhibition of Economic Achievements.

Also featured were major engine manufacturers and aviation equipment suppliers along with scores of smaller companies dealing in everything from ejection seats to baggage carts.

As young boys and engineering students looked wide-eyed at the latest Soviet and Western technology - some like the MiG-29 engine top-secret until recently - Soviet aviation officials and Western businessmen huddled in back alcoves discussing deals.

"This is the most gigantic market in the world," Samuel Casey of McDonnell Douglas said. "They have 8,000 airplanes, and not one is our product." Casey and other Western businessmen warned, however, that the Soviet shortage of hard currency, the lack of a convertible local currency and continued uncertainty in the Soviet economy will likely delay any large deals.

But the planned economic reforms, new openness from the Soviet side and the possible breakup of the Aeroflot monopoly on air travel in the Soviet Union had the Western salesmen nearly salivating over the potential market. "Every one of the 15 republics wants its own airline," Casey said. "And every republic has been in this booth looking for planes."

Alan Stafford-Brookes, marketing manager for Allied Signal Aerospace Co, said his firm already has a deal for electronic equipment on five Airbus 310s being purchased by Aeroflot, but like most of the companies at the show his was anticipating more long-term gains than short-term profit in the Soviet market. "To change the Soviet industry after it has been dormant for so many years is

going to be extremely difficult," Stafford-Brookes said.

He said that the Soviet Union will need Western technology to revamp its aviation industry to compete on the world market, and predicted after five to ten years of joint efforts with companies like his the Soviets would be worthy competitors. "Of course, the West is not doing this for love," Stafford-Brookes said. "It's self interest - but also mutual interest."

The Soviet aircraft enterprises, recently given much more freedom but told they must also be self-supporting after decades of simply filling state orders are restructuring and seeking Western help as they enter the open market.

Sergei Yakovlev, son of famed Soviet aircraft designer Alexander Yakovlev and chief designer at the enterprise his father began, said he was looking for a partner in the West to supply engines and avionics for the Yak-48 corporate jet and refitted Yak-40 passenger.

"There are areas where we lag behind," Yakovlev admitted with a candor that he said would have been impossible several years ago. "We need some help. We have the ability to develop what we need on our own, but it would take years. We need it now."

He said he was encouraged by the contacts he made at this week's trade show and was confident that through continued exchanges the Soviet aircraft industry would be able to survive on the world market. "We must be able to compete," Yakovlev said. "We have no other way."

Boris Eselson, an official at the Leningrad Klimov design association that for years was so secret it was referred to only by the number 117, said uncertainty in the country affected Soviet designers as well as Western companies.

"Under the old system, after the design was completed we delivered it to the manufacturing plant and that was that," Eselson said. "The state paid for the development, took care of the selling. We didn't have to worry about it.

"Now we have to think about marketing, about making it work. But we don't have the structure to do it. We don't have a law on property, to protect our author's rights for what we design."

He said his enterprise, which was displaying the engine from the sophisticated MiG-29 fighter for the first time at a trade show, was trying to expand its civil aviation business because of the recent cuts in military spending.

"We have much to learn, but we have much to show others also," Eselson said. "We have the ability, we must learn to compete. There is no other way."

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#90269u1610 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (SEPT. 26) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.56 3/4-2.64 3/4 up 1.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.07 3/4- 6.15 3/4 off 2.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.16 1/4-2.28 1/4 up 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.29 1/4-2.32-1/4 off 3/4 to off 2.

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#90269u1612 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - The government approved a new rule Wednesday to encourage airlines to adopt a ''bold, new approach'' in training cockpit crews to act as a team rather than individuals.

The Federal Aviation Administration, responding to a number of air crashes blamed on human error, said it now advocates alternate programs that incorporate the latest advances in training methods and techniques. The program emphasizes communication skills, coordination and decision- making, according to an FAA statement.

''This is a bold new approach to the training of flight crew members that is sorely needed and one which I believe will enhance safety and increase cockpit efficiency,'' said FAA Administrator James Busey.

More than 60 percent of fatal airline crashes are caused by cockpit communication breakdowns rather than mechanical problems or lack of pilot skills, the FAA said.

The new training method, called the Advanced Qualification Program, was developed by a government-industry task force and features use of new computer technology and educational devices.

It is designed to bring the professional qualifications of pilots and other crew members, aircraft dispatchers, instructors and evaluators to a level above that provided under present standards.

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#90269u1623 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - The Senate voted Wednesday to require organizations accepting federal family planning funds to notify a parent 48 hours before an abortion is performed on their teenager.

The proposal, offered as an amendment to a five-year extension of the family planning program, was approved by voice vote after an attempt to kill it was beaten, 54-43.

The amendment, sponsored by Sen. William Armstrong, R-Colo., would require notification - but not consent - of one parent 48 hours prior to an abortion for any woman under 18.

The legislation would not override the law in states that require parental notification of abortions.

Armstrong said virtually every state requires parental consent for surgical and medical procedures and 35 states require parental consent for abortions.

''Any kind of medical or surgical procedure requires parental consent,'' he said. ''It even applies to routine procedures such as giving blood. And it is nearly universal custom that if you get your ears pierced you have to get parental consent.''

The five-year extension of the family planning program would authorize $177.4 for projects and training grants, research and a community based information and education programs. It includes $9.5 million for the ''chastity'' program designed to get adolescents to abstain from sex.

A motion to limit debate on the legislation was scheduled for later Wednesday.

President Bush's senior advisers have said they will recommend a veto of the bill and its prospects were jeopardized more when the Senate voted 65-35 Tuesday to approve an amendment allowing family planning programs to tell women that abortion is an option and to refer them to a place where the abortion could be performed.

The family planning program strictly prohibits the use of any federal funds for abortions or to encourage abortions.

Armstrong said although the 20-year-old law prohibits abortions by an organization getting family planning grants, in some cases the same groups that provide counseling also perform the abortions.

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said, ''They go right from the counseling office to get the abortion done.''

Armstrong said his amendment protects ''vulenrable young people'' who are not in a state of mind to make decisions ''for the child and for themselves.''

''We are not asking for parental consent, just notification so at least one parent will be able to give loving advice and counsel,'' Armstrong said.

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#90269u1641 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	59	3-4	off	5-8
AT&T Company	31	1-2	off	3-8
BCE Inc	30	5-8	off	1-4
Bell Atlantic	45	7-8	off	3-8
BellSouth Corp	51	5-8	off	3-8
Exxon Corp	49	7-8	off	5-8
Ford Motor Co	32	1-2	off	5-8
Genl Electric	55		off	5-8
General Motors	36	5-8	up	1-8
GTE Corp	26	1-8	off	1-8
IBM Corp	105	3-8	off	1
Mobil Oil Corp	65	1-8	off	3-4
Nynex Corp	69	3-8	off	1-4
Pac Gas & Elec	21		up	1-8
Pacific Telesis	43	1-4	off	1-8
Phila Electric	15		up	1-8
Sears Roebuck	25	1-2	off	1
Southern Co	23	1-2	off	1-8
Sthwestern Bell	50	5-8	up	1-4
US West Inc	33	3-4	up	1-4

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#90269u1657 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2459.65	off	25.99	846.52	up	1.85	199.76	off	0.88
Tuesday	2485.64	up	32.67	844.67	up	2.77	200.64	up	0.88
Week ago	2557.43	off	13.86	888.31	off	13.13	201.52	up	1.00
Month ago	2632.43	up	17.58	911.13	up	11.31	195.61	up	2.01
Year ago	2673.06	up	9.12	1427.63	up	2.67	215.17	off	0.13
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2452.97			841.90			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90269u1668 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

WEST BERLIN (SEPT. 26) UPI - Radical youths planning violent protests could disrupt German unification ceremonies Oct. 3 capping a year of peaceful change in East Germany, Berlin police said Wednesday.

Hundreds of youths already went on the rampage, smashing shop windows, setting fire to a truck and chanting anti-German slogans in the streets of East Berlin Sunday in what officials said might be ''a dress rehearsal'' for a major riot next week.

West Berlin Senator Erich Paetzold said that an additional contingent of 1,200 policemen would be called into Berlin from other parts of Germany during the night from Oct. 2 to 3, but declined to say how many security forces will be deployed.

An announcement in a leftist West Berlin daily this week urged demonstrators to gather Tuesday night for a demonstration under the motto: ''Shut-up Germany.''

In recent months, Berlin - both East and West - has been the scene of violent demonstrations and clashes between leftists, neo-Nazis, foreigners, vigilante gangs and police.

Paetzold said he will ask the East German Interior Ministry to hand over responsibility for police operations to the West German authorities on Oct. 2 - a virtual unification of the two police forces one day before the merger of the two Germanys.

He said this was essential because the East German police force has little experience in such riots.

Last year, when tens of thousands of East Germans took to the streets in massive demonstrations that eventually ended fourty years of Communist rule, police faced only passive resistance when they arrested protestors.

Huge crowds are expected to attend Oct. 3 celebrations marking the unification of Germany after more than four decades of division. At exactly midnight fireworks will illuminate the Reichstag, the former German parliament, where the German flag will be hoisted.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, President Richard von Weizsaecker and other leading German personalities are expected to attend the celebrations.

-30- 2231

#90269u1677 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 26) UPI - A powerful Trident 2 missile carrying a load of dummy warheads was successfully launched from a submerged nuclear submarine Wednesday in a routine test flight, officials said.

The three-stage, solid-fuel Trident 2, the most powerful weapon in the Navy's inventory, was successfully launched at 11:55 a.m. EDT from the USS Pennsylvania cruising submerged east of Cape Canaveral.

The Pennsylvania is the second fleet ballistic missile submarine certified to carry the upgraded Trident 2 missile, joining the USS Tennessee on operational status. The launch Wednesday was a routine ''demonstration and shakedown operation'' to test the crew's ability to handle the weapon system.

An Air Force spokesman said the flight was a success, but details about the launch were classified.

It was the ninth in a series of underwater launches, pushing the weapon's sea-launch record to seven successes and two failures. Including 19 test firings from a ground pad, the missile now has a record of five failures and 23 successes.

The Trident 2 has been protested by anti-nuclear activists since test firings began in January 1987 at the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station. Because of previous confrontations at sea, Trident 2 launches now are carried out in strict secrecy.

The first and third such submarine firings in March and August last year ended in spectacular explosions, apparently because designers underestimated the forces acting on the big rockets as they are being propelled to the surface by compressed gas.

The missile's nozzle system was redesigned as a result and tests since then have been successful.

The 44-foot Trident 2 is thought to have a maximum range of up to 6, 900 miles depending on how many warheads are carried, and it is believed to be so accurate it can deliver an independently targetable nuclear bomb to within about 400 feet of a target.

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#90269u1680 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Wednesday - $31,860,000

1990 to date - $8,239,378,000

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#90269u1683 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1090.7
Tuesday	1093.5
Week ago	1082.3
Month ago	1125.4
Year ago	1108.8
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90269u1694 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks -	155,570,000 shares
1990 to date -	29,352,368,612
Warrants -	760,200
1990 to date -	183,963,600

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#90269u1697 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks -	14,080,000 shares
1990 to date -	2,583,849,575
Bonds -	$3,150,000
1990 to date -	$531,088,000

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#90269u1702 09/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	42,259,456	32	up 1
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	35,242,572	27 3/4	up 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	32,758,598	32 3/4	off 1
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	32,487,448	64 1/2	off 1 7/8
Oracle Systm	(ORCL)	32,410,254	6 1/4	off 1 1/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	31,643,170	40 7/8	off 3/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	29,776,240	60 1/4	off 1/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	25,072,396	48 5/8	off 1/2
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	21,890,308	29 3/4	off 1/4

Conner Prphrls (CNNR) 21,414,218 17 1/2 off 2

Composite Index 153.14 off 2.10

NMS volume 95,796,400 shares.

Advances	528
Declines	1,035
Unchanged	1,245
Total	2,808

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#90269u1717 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 54 points higher to 30 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	73.60	74.00	73.55	73.70	74.00
Dec	71.73	72.30	71.50	72.28	71.82
Mar	72.85	73.40	72.56	73.40	72.86
May	73.55	73.90	73.10	73.90	73.58
Jly	74.00	74.15	73.60	74.07	73.60
Oct	69.90	69.90	69.90	69.60	69.75
Dec	67.80	67.85	67.80	67.85	67.88

Estimated sales: 5,000 contracts
Open interest: 36,091 up 71
The World spot average: unavailable

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#90269u1719 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - (Dow Jones has revised the close on the Utils and 65 Stocks)

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2459.65	off	25.99
20 Trans	846.52	up	1.85
15 Utils	199.82	off	0.82
65 Stocks	861.90	off	5.26

-30- 413

#90269u1721 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 26) UPI - North Korea set aside 45 years of hostility toward Japan Wednesday as President Kim Il Sung greeted a delegation of visiting Japanese politicians.

A beaming Kim was shown on Japanese television telling senior Japanese politician Shin Kanemaru and vice chairman of the opposition Japan Socialist Party, Makoto Tanabe, that it was time for North Korea and Japan to be close in more than just geography. The two countries are separated by about 500 miles across the Sea of Japan.

The two sides are expected to discuss setting up liaison offices - one step below embassies - in their nations' capitals and air links, a Japanese Foreign Ministry spokesman said.

Kim also implied that North Korea would agree to free two Japanese seamen who have been imprisoned since 1983 in retaliation for Tokyo's granting of asylum to a North Korean defector.

Kim met the Japanese politicians at a North Korean mountain resort called Myohyangsan, about 95 miles northeast of the capital, Pyongyang, the Kyodo News Service said.

It was the first time Kim, the only leader communist North Korea has had in its 45 year history, had met a ranking member of Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party.

Kim held brief talks with Kanemaru and Tanabe, and was expected to meet with Kanemaru privately later Wednesday or Thursday morning, Japanese media reports said.

The contents of their conversation were not revealed, but Kanemaru was to deliver a letter from Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu apologizing for Japan's harsh 35-year colonial rule of Korea up to the end of World War II.

Earlier in his five-day visit, Kanemaru made a personal apology for the hardships Japan inflicted on Koreans during the colonial period.

Amity could stumble over North Korean demands for reparations to follow Japanese apologies.

North Korean officials made reparations the focus of their discussions with the delegation before the meeting with Kim, Japanese reports said.

Kanemaru, whose visit is unofficial, has reportedly expressed willingness to consider repartations. But Japanese government officials said no negotiations on reparations could take place unless formal diplomatic relations were established, according to the Kyodo news report.

-30- 2450

#90269u1724 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.69	off 0.03
10 Public Utils	90.06	off 0.13
10 Industrials	87.33	up 0.08

-30- 353

#90269u1726 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 26) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Wednesday - 8,861,000

1990 to date - 1,865,416,000

The market closed lower.

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#90269u1730 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 313.25, low 309.64, close 310.06, off 3.11.

There was a loss of 10 cents in the average share price.

Volume 14,080,000 shares, compared with 12, 940,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	10
New Lows	104
Advances	166
Declines	403
Unchanged	216
Total Issues	785

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#90269u1745 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	34.10-34.15	33.40-33.50
North Sea Brent	40.05-40.15	39.95-40.00
West Texas Intermed	38.65-38.70	38.25-38.30
Light Louisiana Sweet	40.30-40.40	39.00-39.15
New York Harbor spot products		

(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	100.70-100.95	102.55-102.80
No. 2 Heating oil	101.55-101.80	100.20-100.45
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	98.60-98.85	98.80-99.05
No. 2 Heating oil	100.75-101.00	98.40-98.50

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#90269u1755 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2479.46	2496.04	2435.40	2459.65	off 25.99
20 Trans	844.49	855.95	833.95	846.52	up 1.85
15 Utils	200.39	201.08	198.13	199.82	off 0.82
65 Stock	865.70	872.52	852.49	861.90	off 5.26

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	24,780,700	18,868,200
Trans	2,955,900	3,395,500
Utils	2,683,600	3,043,200
65 Stock	30,420,200	25,306,900

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.69	off 0.03
10 Public Utils	90.06	off 0.13
10 Industrials	87.33	up 0.08

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 131.52 up 0.09.

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#90269u1758 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	363.73	217.60	131.75	21.21	308.26
Opening	362.17	218.66	131.62	21.13	307.13
11 a.m.	359.46	217.31	131.06	20.83	304.82
Noon	358.04	216.25	130.52	20.68	303.53

1 p.m.	359.64	217.53	131.02	20.77	304.88
2 p.m.	358.90	216.61	130.98	20.73	304.31
3 p.m.	358.51	216.42	130.89	20.64	303.93
Close	359.99	217.74	131.31	20.63	305.06
Change	off 3.74	up 0.14	off 0.44	off 0.58	off 3.02

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#90269u1761 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Wednesday	359.99	217.74	131.31	20.63	305.06
Tuesday	363.73	217.60	131.75	21.21	308.26
Week ago	374.05	225.89	131.43	22.58	316.60
Month ago	384.45	232.47	128.39	24.01	324.19
Year ago	393.88	306.37	141.15	33.34	345.10
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	359.29	215.49	124.60	20.63	304.59

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#90269u1770 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
AT&T Company	7,419,800	31 1/2	off	3/8
MCA Inc	1,820,800	61 1/4	up	7 1/4
Citicorp	1,807,300	14 1/2	off	1
IBM Corp	1,744,400	105 3/8	off	1
Genl Electric	1,731,200	55	off	5/8
Boeing Co	1,722,800	40 7/8	up	1/8
PepsiCo Inc	1,690,200	22	unch	
Philip Morris	1,679,500	44 5/8	off	1/4
GTE Corp	1,413,200	26 1/8	off	1/8
Exxon Corp	1,284,700	49 7/8	off	5/8
Bristol MS	1,248,100	57	off	3/4
Waste Mangment	1,196,700	32 3/8	off	1 1/8
Chase Manhtan	1,169,100	11 1/8	off	7/8
Eastman Kodak	1,140,300	39 1/8	off	1
Parker Drilling	1,067,700	7 1/2	off	1/2

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#90269u1775 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - EPA Administrator William Reilly, saying the

nation must aim its environmental cleanup efforts more effectively, announced a crash program Wednesday to cut the most dangerous toxic discharges by 500 million pounds within five years.

In a major policy speech at the National Press Club, the Environmental Protection Agency chief said the country must do a better job of determining which pollution problems posed the biggest health and ecological risks and then focus its cleanup efforts on those targets.

Toward that end, he released a study identifying four environmental concerns as meriting priority attention: indoor and outdoor air pollution, worker exposure to chemicals and drinking water contamination.

He also announced a major EPA effort to single out ''bad actor'' toxic chemicals for immediate reductions and promised new federal initiatives to encourage recycling, including a possible move to resolve confusion over ''recyclable'' and ''biodegradable'' consumer products.

More broadly, Reilly said with the United States now spending an estimated $90 billion a year on pollution control, ''It seems only prudent to ask ourselves: Are we spending all this money on the right things? Are society's resources being used in ways that will contribute most directly to the health and well-being of our citizens and our environment?''

Reilly said the nation had achieved some success by enforcing ''traditional'' environmental laws that separately addressed air pollution, toxic waste disposal or water contamination.

But he said that ''piecemeal'' approach did not enable the nation to determine if, overall, it was getting the biggest bang possible for its environmental buck.

Reilly compared the nation's environmental policy-making over the past two decades to the video game ''Space Invaders'' in which a player blasts away with unbridled abandon at enemy ships.

''Every time we saw a blip on the radar screen, we unleashed an arsenal of control measures to eliminate it,'' he told a packed house of reporters and industry lobbyists. ''Rarely did we evaluate the relative importance of chemicals.''

''All too often in the past, I think, the guiding principle for making environmental policy has been what has been referred to as the 'ready-fire-aim' principle,'' he said. ''I think the time has come to start taking aim before we open fire.''

To improve the EPA's aim, Reilly said his agency just completed a study identifying four pollution problems as posing ''relatively high risks'' to

health and the environment requiring priority attention from his agency.

The ''comparative risk'' study, based primarily on scientific evidence about public exposure to known toxic substances, said significant dangers were posed by smog, acid rain and other ''ambient'' air pollution; worker exposure to chemicals in industry and agriculture; drinking water contamination; and indoor air pollutants such as radon.

Reilly said the EPA already was reshaping its budget and enforcement priorities to better attack the four problems cited in the study.

Along those lines, Reilly said the EPA was conducting an agency-wide effort to identify the most health-threatening toxic chemicals - ''the really 'bad actors' in terms of health risk.''

Reilly committed his agency to achieving a one-third cut in total discharges of those targeted contaminants by October 1992. He called for a reduction of more than 50 percent by 1995.

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#90269u1778 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Salomon wt Jan	792,200	20	up	1 7/8
Paine W Gr wtB	790,300	10 1/8	up	1
Denmark K wt	653,600	20 3/4	up	1 5/8
Echo Bay Mines	602,600	14 1/8	up	3/4
Eksport wt	591,000	10 1/8	up	1
Salmn Phibro	512,300	4	up	1/4
Hillhaven	492,100	1 1/2	off	1/8
Salomon wt Apr	372,700	2 1/8	off	1/4
Mitchell Enrgy	359,300	22 1/8	off	1 1/8
Salomon wt Feb	329,600	21	up	1 7/8

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#90269u1785 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesdayl:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5850	off	50
Pitney pf	117	off	27
Kyocera Ltd	85 1/2	off	7 5/8
MCA Inc	61 1/4	up	7 1/4

No St Pwr pfJ	86	off	7 1/4
Matsushita El	116	off	6
CBS Inc	165 3/8	up	5 3/8
Harris Corp	21	off	4 1/4
Sony Corp	43 1/8	off	3 1/2
Deere & Co	45 3/8	off	3 3/8

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	229.50	229.50	224.70	226.60	229.60
Mar	....	....	....	228.80	231.80
Jun	....	....	....	231.80	234.80

Previous day volume: 109 contracts.

Open interest: 1,000 up 54

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	311.15	311.70	305.40	308.30	311.30
Mar	314.00	314.20	308.20	310.95	314.00
Jun	....	317.20	311.80	313.75	316.90

Today's estimated volume: 45,851 contracts.

Open interest: 149.080 off 3,553

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	170.80	171.10	167.70	169.20	170.95
Mar	169.60	169.60	160.60	170.60	172.35
Jun	....	....	....	172.00	173.75

Open interest: 4,640 off 141

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	518.65	519.00	508.00	512.80	517.15
Nov	517.30	517.30	509.00	512.85	517.40
Dec	521.00	521.00	511.00	515.75	519.70

Estimated volume 3,192 contracts.

Open interest: 6,449 off 14

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#90269u1805 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign

currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.
Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austral	.000182	.000176	5502.00	5684.00
Australia dlr	.8312	.8310	1.2031	1.2034
Austria schill	.0906	.0910	11.04	10.99
Belgium franc-c	.0310	.0311	32.25	32.18
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0126	.0126	79.64	79.54
Britain pound	1.8640	1.8690	.5365	.5350
Britain 1-mo	1.8532	1.8585	.5396	.5381
Britain 3-mo	1.8342	1.8396	.5452	.5436
Britain 6-mo	1.8086	1.8138	.5529	.5513
Canada dollar	.8643	.8693	1.1570	1.1504
Canada 1-mo	.8614	.8663	1.1609	1.1544
Canada 3-mo	.8561	.8605	1.1681	1.1621
Canada 6-mo	.8492	.8541	1.1776	1.1708
Chile peso-f	.003475	.003477	287.75	287.60
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001933	.001924	517.24	519.76
Denmark krne	.1670	.1678	5.9880	5.9605
Ecudr sucre-z	.001190	.001193	840.45	838.50
Egypt pound	.3726	.3726	2.6836	2.6836
Finlnd mrkka	.2684	.2688	3.7260	3.7200
France franc	.1910	.1900	5.2350	5.2640
France 1-mo	.1908	.1897	5.2422	5.2713
France 3-mo	.1902	.1891	5.2590	5.2891
France 6-mo	.1891	.1881	5.2872	5.3172
Greece drach	.006559	.006592	152.46	151.70
Hollnd guildr	.5669	.5643	1.7641	1.7720
HongKong dlr	.1289	.1289	7.7585	7.7590
India rupee	.0557	.0557	17.96	17.96
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000546	1846.00	1832.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7145	1.7170	0.5833	0.5824
Israel shekel	.4995	.5000	2.0020	2.0000
Italy lira	.000854	.000850	1170.75	1176.50
Japan yen	.007310	.007315	136.80	136.70
Japan 1-mo	.007315	.007316	136.70	136.68
Japan 3-mo	.007321	.007315	136.60	136.70
Japan 6-mo	.007391	.007311	135.30	136.78
Jordan dinar	1.6003	1.5555	.6249	.6429
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35

Mexico peso-z	.000348	.000348	2876.00	2875.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6184	.6203	1.6171	1.6121
Norway krne	.1649	.1653	6.0650	6.0500
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	434,338	436,232
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007220	.007262	138.50	137.71
Saudi riyal	.2674	.2674	3.7400	3.7400
Singapore dlr	.5671	.5669	1.7635	1.7640
S.Africa rand	.3909	.3928	2.5580	2.5456
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010187	.010215	98.16	97.90
Sweden krona	.1734	.1741	5.7670	5.7430
Switzrl franc	.7660	.7642	1.3055	1.3085
Switzrl 1-mo	.7651	.7645	1.3070	1.3081
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7657	.7645	1.3060	1.3080
Switzrl 6-mo	.7659	.7641	1.3056	1.3087
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.80	26.80
Turkey lira	.000370	.000370	2701.00	2705.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Venez bolivr-z	.0209	.0209	47.82	47.87
W.Ger Mark	.6394	.6357	1.5640	1.5730
W.Ger 1-mo	.6393	.6357	1.5643	1.5731
W.Ger 3-mo	.6392	.6355	1.5644	1.5735
W.Ger 6-mo	.6381	.6347	1.5671	1.5755
Yugosl dinar	.0935	.0935	10.69	10.70

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	310.06	off	3.11
High Technology	292.40	off	3.89
Capital Goods	328.75	off	1.65
Consumer Goods	361.99	off	3.36
Service	655.80	off	14.60
Retail	903.33	off	12.18
Financial	361.93	up	0.77
Natural Resources	251.80	off	1.37
Housing-Const-Land	308.24	off	7.60

There was a loss of 10 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	386.95	off	5.81
Mid Atlantic	389.26	off	3.34
No Central	400.73	off	3.43
So Atlantic	854.76	off	14.93
So Central	304.47	off	3.00
Mountain	107.33	off	1.21
Pacific	344.40	off	6.71
Foreign	246.81	off	1.02

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	350.03	off	4.75	371.68	467.77
Industrial	374.88	off	5.60	398.51	453.98
Finance	345.72	off	6.35	369.96	556.67
Insurance	414.23	off	7.36	435.62	526.11
Utility	469.11	up	0.98	493.75	739.14
Bank	253.72	off	3.39	271.64	477.01
Transport	389.30	off	3.87	406.51	470.88

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 350.03

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 153.14 off 2.10

Industrial Index 148.03 off 2.24

NASDAQ-100 Index 358.91 off 2.51

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	118,711,700
Advances	654
Declines	1,255
Unchanged	2,336
Total	4,245

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.25	8.35	9.03
91-day Treasury bills	7.55	7.61	7.84
182-day Treasury bills	7.73	7.80	7.75
1-year Treasury bills	7.84	7.86	7.77
3-year Treasury notes	8.35	8.37	8.40
7-year Treasury notes	8.88	8.89	8.36
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	9.13	9.15	8.25
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.50	9.50	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.13	10.13	9.24
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.38	9.40	9.21
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.66	9.62	9.26
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.64	9.65	9.43
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.62	9.64	9.41

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	10
New lows	105

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	166	6,294,100
Declines	403	6,389,000
Unchanged	216	1,396,900
Total	785	14,080,000

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney says the U-S military is NOT planning to enforce a U-N air embargo against Iraq. U-S ships are backing a naval blockade in the Perisan Gulf, but officials say taking it into the sky would be much riskier.

Witnesses say a man with a high-powered rifle is holding about 10 people

hostage inside a McDonald's in Hamilton, Ontario. The man followed a woman screaming- quote- ''I don't want to die'' inside the fast-food restaurant.

The grounded shuttle Columbia will NOT be getting off the ground until at least early December. NASA says it wants to conduct further tests to make sure fuel leaks have been fixed before Columbia takes off on an astronomy mission.

The House shrugged off a veto threat today... voting to overturn a Supreme Court ruling and give coastal states a potent new tool to challenge federal efforts to open blocks of the sea floor to off-shore oil drilling.

The Delaware Supreme Court has reversed a lower court order and awarded a Christian Science couple the right to treat their three-year- old son's cancer through spiritual healing instead of chemotherapy.

East German businesses will be pleased with a report today by a West German economic research group. The report predicts that East German firms hurt by the economic union of East and West Germany will recover within months.

The newspaper published for U-S troops in the Pacific will next month have its first civilian editor in chief. The Pacific Stars and Stripes says it has hired W. Robert Trounson of the Los Angeles Times.

Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami say Tropical Depression Josephine is weakening and moving westward. Josephine was about 900 miles west-northwest of the Cape Verde Islands.

Philippine police say rebels tossed bombs at four American-linked multi-national companies within 24 hours today... damaging three of the plants and slightly injuring one person.

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#90269u1887 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Fallen junk bond king Michael Milken deserves a ''substantial'' prison term for a web of crimes far beyond those he has admitted, prosecutors said in court papers released Wednesday.

Milken, who has pleaded guilty to six felony charges, was involved in a three-year string of crimes with Ivan Boesky, the former Wall Street arbitrageur turned government informant, prosecutors said in their pre-sentencing memorandum on Milken.

The former head of the high-risk, high-yield bond department at Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., Milken also profited from several insider trading schemes, prosecutors said.

Milken, 44, pleaded guilty in April to six charges, including conspiracy and

mail fraud. His plea agreement allowed him to avoid the toughest charges in his 98-count indictment.

He is scheduled to be sentenced Oct. 1 and faces a maximum possible sentence of 28 years in prison.

Although Milken has pleaded guilty to six charges, four of them involving Boesky, they ''represent only a small portion of the criminal conduct in which he is engaged,'' prosecutors wrote.

''Milken's objectives were simple: power and wealth,'' the government wrote. ''With utter disregard for the law, Milken cheated many of his own customers and clients and the investing public and thereby corrupted the capital markets.''

Describing Milken as ''unreconstructed and unapologetic,'' prosecutors said, ''He should be sentenced to a substantial term of imprisonment.

''By its sentence, this court must demonstrate that no man - no matter how rich and how powerful - may make his own rules.''

In a reply released Tuesday, Milken's attorney said the government's report was ''grossly distorted'' and contained no evidence of Milken committing other crimes.

''If the government had wanted Mr. Milken sentenced for other crimes, it should not have entered into the plea agreement which it did,'' Milken's attorney wrote.

Prosecutors wrote that part of the criminal scheme between Milken and Boesky was captured in a conversation secretly tape recorded in a room at the Beverly Hills Hilton, prosecutors wrote.

On the tape, Milken ''was intent on providing Boesky with a false explanation'' for $5.3 million in payments he made to Boesky in their trading schemes, the government said.

''Milken and Boesky also assured each other that their subordinates would be reliable in the face of a governmental investigation,'' prosecutors said.

The conversation took place shortly after Boesky reached his plea bargain with the government, calling for him to plead guilty to one felony count, pay a record $100 million and cooperate with the government. He was sentenced to three years in prison.

As part of his plea bargain, Milken, who earned as much as $550 million a year while at Drexel, already has agreed to pay $600 million and to cooperate with the government after his sentencing.

However, prosecutors said their faith in Milken's intention to cooperate fully and honestly ''has waned.''

Prosecutors also hinted at Milken's responsibility for the demise of Drexel, which built its fortunes on junk bonds but was forced to file for bankruptcy protection earlier this year.

''There is no question that the excesses in Drexel's corporate culture that Milken fathered hastened the collapse of the company, corrupted many young professionals and occasioned the loss of thousands of jobs,'' the government said.

''Had more money been kept in Drexel rather than paid out to Milken and other members of the High Yield Department, Drexel undoubtedly would have had a greater chance to survive.''

Dozens of pages were deleted from the government's report to protect the names of unindicted co-conspirators in the case.

Milken was involved in insider trading schemes involving stock in Caesars World Inc., Viacom, Republic Airlines Inc. and Lorimar Inc., the government charged.

He also helped Boesky illegally conceal ownership of stock in Phillips Petroleum Corp., a takeover target in 1985, the government said.

Milken's attorney has asked that he be sentenced to probation and community service by working full time in drug and crime prevention programs at the Los Angeles Police Department.

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(repeating & correcting)

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	355.16	349.09	350.03	off 4.75
Industrial	380.70	373.94	374.88	off 5.60
Finance	352.53	345.37	345.72	off 6.35
Insurance	422.51	413.99	414.23	off 7.36
Utility	469.86	463.06	469.11	up 0.98
Bank	258.07	252.34	253.72	off 3.39
Transport	394.79	387.62	389.30	off 3.87

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (9-26) 350.03
NASDAQ National Market System indexes
(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	153.14 off 2.10
Industrial Index	148.03 off 2.24
NASDAQ-100 Index	358.91 off 2.51
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.95 off 0.08
Volume	95,795,400 shares
Advances	528
Declines	1,035
Unchanged	1,245
Total	2,808

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	168.71	166.89	167.52	off 1.68
Industrial	210.62	208.29	209.21	off 2.14
Transport	132.64	131.17	131.55	off 0.90
Utility	83.66	83.09	83.50	off 0.26
Finance	112.29	110.30	110.30	off 2.27

Equivalent to a loss of 29 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 155,570,000 shares.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - U.S. talks with Peru over a proposed $35.9 million in military aid to fight drug trafficking collapsed because of Peruvian demands that economic assistance be included in the package, State Department officials said Wednesday.

The State Department has proposed reprogramming the money for military aid to Colombia and Bolivia, the two other legs of a drug war triad that forms the basis of a U.S. Andean strategy launched in February.

The negotiations collapsed in the Peruvian capital of Lima Tuesday even though agreement had been reached with the new government of President Alberto

Fujimori ''on many of the terms'' of the proposed aid, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

''We do respect Peru's decision on this'' and intend to pursue an agreement for the next fiscal year, which begins Oct. 1, he said.

The collapse of the negotiations marked a sharp setback for the administration's three-pronged Andean drug war strategy. Peru is an essential element of the plan since 60 percent of the world's coca, from which cocaine is derived, is grown in the western South American country.

President Bush unveiled the strategy during a nationally televised speech and the leaders of Peru, Colombia and Bolivia signed onto it at a summit with Bush at Cartagena, Colombia, in February. Fujimori was not president of Peru at the time.

''We think we've got a good strategy and we're going to go ahead with that strategy,'' a State Department official said.

As part of that strategy, Colombia received $60 million and Bolivia $41 million in military aid this fiscal year.

The negotiations fell apart because Peru demanded that part of the $35.9 million be used to help farmers find an alternative to growing coca, State Department officials said.

But U.S. negotiators focused instead on the law enforcement aspects of the aid arguing that money could not be given to farmers living in areas controlled by drug traffickers until troops or police forced out the traffickers, the officials said.

''Large areas of Peru are dominated by narco-traffickers,'' an official said, speaking on condition of anonymity. ''We can't put economic aid into areas where we can't provide security.''

Part of the problem, the officials said, is that the negotiators ran out of time because the differences could not be ironed out before the expiration of the 1990 fiscal year Sept. 30.

''We have no doubt that the Fujimori administration wants to work with us,'' an official said. ''We think it's going to take more time. I don't think we're that far apart.''

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#90269u1910 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

HAMILTON, Ontario (SEPT. 26) UPI - A man carrying a high-powered rifle chased a woman into a McDonald's restaurant Wednesday and held 12 employees hostage

for nearly four hours before killing himself, authorities said.

A woman screaming, ''I don't want to die'' ran into the fast-food eatery at 12:10 p.m. EDT, followed by a man holding a high-powered rifle with a telescopic sight, witnesses said.

Police said at least one shot was fired into the air outside the restaurant.

According to witnesses, the man said, ''I'm not here to hurt anyone, I just want the woman with the white hair.''

Patrons fled the store, while 12 employees moved into the basement for safety.

Just before 4 p.m., police heard one more shot. Officers dressed in riot gear entered the restaurant, and emerged minutes later with a grey- haired woman, believed to be the gunman's wife.

Minutes later, police escorted the McDonald's employees, mostly teenagers, from the scene in two groups.

Police said the gunman was found dead in the basement.

Police officials are not releasing his name, but said he had a history of violence. They said the incident was triggered by a domestic dispute.

During the dispute, Hamilton police blocked off the area around the restaurant and told proprietors of nearby stores to keep employees away from windows.

Police sharpshooters were spotted atop nearby buildings.

A gunman took 19 people hostage at a McDonald's restaurant in La Verne, Calif. Monday night, but all of the captives were freed when a special police squad stormed the eatery and captured the man Tuesday.

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#90269u1965 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Stocks closed sharply lower Wednesday in moderate trading, pressured by another jump in the price of oil and jitters about the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which climbed 32.67 Tuesday, slumped 25.99 to close at 2459.65. It was down about 40 points a couple of times during the session.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index lost 1.68 to 167.52 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index slid 3.02 to 305.06. The price of an average share dropped 29 cents.

Declines outpaced advances, 1,118-423, among the 1,988 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 155,570,000 shares, down from 155,940,000 shares traded Tuesday.

Yet another steep rise in oil prices combined with some unconfirmed rumors about tensions in the Mideast sent stocks down Wednesday. The Dow industrials erased almost all of Tuesday's gains.

November oil futures closed up $1.14 to $38.67 a barrel, and topped $39 a barrel in late trading.

Analysts said two rumors about an escalation of hostilities also helped push stocks down Wednesday. Michael Metz, analyst at Oppenheimer & Co., said one rumor had Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein giving President Bush 24 hours to get United States troops out of Saudi Arabia and another claimed Iraqi troops had forcibly entered the U.S. embassy in Kuwait.

In Washington, the State Department denied the rumors concerning the purported invasion of the U.S. embassy in Kuwait, and said it had checked into several rumors over the last 12 hours or so. Similar rumors had sent Tokyo stocks plunging in overnight trading.

But analysts laid the decline more to the rise in oil prices than the rumors of heightened tensions.

''Anything that has to do with the Mideast has a negative effect, but it's always more the price of oil and the reaction in that market that either hurts or helps us,'' said Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King & Associates in Albany, N.Y.

Doran said that other factors continue to dog the market as well - the failure thus far of budget conferees to agree on a deficit cutting plan and the failure of the Federal Reserve so far to respond to the faltering economy with an interest rate cut.

''But until the Mideast gets resolved, that being the number one priority, I don't think the market has much upside potential,'' Doran said. ''And there's an open window as far as the downside risk is concerned.''

On the trading floor, AT&T was the most active issue in dividend- related trading, down 3/8 to 31 1/2.

MCA followed, surging 7 1/4 to 61 1/4 on late rumors that Japan's Matsushita Electric is near agreement to acquire it. Matsushita confirmed Wednesday it is considering purchasing MCA. Citicorp was third, down 1 to 14 1/2 after reports saying Citibank plans to lay off 100 workers in its leveraged lending unit.

IBM was fourth, down 1 to 105 3/8.

Among the other blue chips, General Electric lost 5/8 to 55, Philip Morris eased 1/4 to 44 5/8, Eastman Kodak tumbled 1 to 39 1/8, Coca-Cola fell 1/2 to 38 3/4 and Merck eased 1 1/8 to 74 1/8.

The oil issues in the average couldn't buck the trend, even with higher oil prices Wednesday. Texaco fell 5/8 to 62 5/8, Exxon lost 5/8 to 49 7/8 and Chevron fell 1 1/8 to 76.

Elsewhere, Chrysler lost 1/4 to 9 7/8, setting yet another 52-week low and trading at its lowest levels in 8 years. Analysts were said Tuesday to cut earnings estimates and repeat negative ratings on the No. 3 automaker, saying that because of its industry position, it must undercut Ford and General Motors to compete successfully.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 187,437,100 shares, compared with 186,453,250 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices closed sharply lower in active trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index skidded 3.11 to close at 310.06. Declines led advances 400-166 among the 787 issues traded. The price of an average share lost 10 cents. Composite volume totaled 16,103,300 shares, vs. 14,807,100 traded Tuesday.

Salomon's put warrants on the Tokyo market's Nikkei index led the Amex issues, up 1 7/8 to 20.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index closed down 4.75 to 350.03.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 426.29, off 0.55 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Afffliated Fund 8.92 9.57

Anchor Fund Inv 13.87 14.72

Delaware Mutual	16.37	17.55
Fidelity Fund	15.93	15.93
Investors Mutual	10.34	10.89
Investors Stocks	17.36	18.27
Investors Select	8.18	8.61
IDS Equity Plus	8.54	8.99
Mass Inv Growth	7.73	8.33
Nicholas Fund	3.23	3.23
United Accumulated	6.05	6.61
United Income	15.84	17.31
Vanguard Wellington	15.44	15.44

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 26) UPI - Average yields for money market mutual funds were higher or unchanged in the latest reporting week, while rates at competing savings and loan institutions were mixed, financial information services that track these yields and rates said Wednesday.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.47 percent, up from 7.46 and 30-day simple yields were to 7.47, unchanged from the previous week.

The average maturity of fund portfolios was 46 days, unchanged.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money market deposit accounts, 5.88 percent, down from 5.89; Super-Now accounts, 4.97 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit 7.49 percent, unchanged; 1-year CDs, 7.59 percent, up from 7.58 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.69 percent, up from 7.67; and five-year CDs, 7.80 percent, unchanged.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.25 percent, unchanged.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage rose in the latest week to 9.76 percent, from 9.70; the average rate for a 30-year, fixed- rate mortgage also rose to 10.06 percent, from 10.01.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was 12.23 percent, up from 12.22.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - The National Institutes of Health has joined with a private firm to market techniques used in the recent ground-breaking attempt

at gene therapy, officials confirmed Wednesday.

Genetic Therapy Inc. recently signed a licensing agreement with NIH to market some of the techniques used in the first government-authorized attempt at gene therapy, said Lee Carter, chief of NIH's technology operations management branch.

Under the agreement, GTI receives exclusive rights to commercialize three patent applications it developed in conjunction with scientists from the NIH, the nation's premier biomedical research institution, Carter said.

A potential revolution in medicine got underway at NIH's Bethesda, Md., headquarters Sept. 14 when Dr. W. French Anderson and his colleagues inserted genetically corrected cells into a 4-year-old Cleveland girl suffering from a rare, immune system disorder. Researchers have said it will take months before they know if the gene therapy is helping the child.

Also at the NIH, Dr. Steven Rosenberg soon plans to begin another gene therapy experiment in which patients with a deadly type of skin cancer will receive cells that are genetically altered to produce a substance that has dramatically shrunk tumors in animals.

Under the licensing agreement, GTI would be allowed to sell products based on basic technologies for gene transfer, genetically modified bacteria and a type of cancer test, Carter said. Any medical uses of the products would still have to receive approval from the Food and Drug Administration before they could be used widely in patients.

Formed in 1987, GTI helped produce the crippled mouse virus, called a vector, that NIH researchers are using to insert foreign genes into human cells. The Gaithersburg, Md., firm was the first company to craft a ''cooperative research and development agreement'' with NIH, and now becomes the first to gain permission to market jointly developed medical techniques.

Carter described the venture as ''mutually beneficial'' to NIH and GTI. He did not know details of the licensing agreement, but said government agencies generally receive payments somewhat like royalties from firms that develop commercial products based on public-private research ventures. In addition, the government usually retains the right to make sure such products are not priced too high.

The signing of the gene therapy licensing agreement with GTI represents the first success of NIH's attempt to team with the private sector to move scientific advances more quickly into the marketplace.

''What we are hoping for is that many more of the inventions coming out of federal labs will eventually reach the general public,'' Carter said.

Also Wednesday, Washington Technology, a bi-weekly business publication, reported that GTI plans to register with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a public stock offering.

Jim Barrett, president of GTI, which employs about 40 people, told the publication his firm is considering a public stock offering and has submitted initial paperwork to the SEC.

Joan Loizeau, a lawyer with the New York firm, Hogan & Hartson, which handles GTI's corporate affairs, said the stock would likely be sold on the over-the-counter market. Mark Simon, an analyst with Robertson & Stephens & Co. in San Francisco, told Washington Technology he expects GTI's shares would sell initially for between $6 and $15.

David Talbot, an analyst with Arnold and S. Bleichroeder Inc. in New York, said GTI faces several obstacles. ''The problem with gene therapy is that we have so little to go on except newspaper clippings,'' Talbot said. ''They will still have to figure out how they will make it through the FDA and other regulatory hurdles.''

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#90269u2036 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - The government's conflict-of-interest case against Neil Bush today involved a debate over legal ethics. The trial is the first public hearing into the failure of a savings and loan... and involves Bush's conduct while an outside director of Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan. The president's son is expected to take the stand on his own behalf in the Denver courtroom tomorrow.

The Energy Department says fears of war have driven up the price of oil, but there still is NO reason to worry that supplies will dry up during the winter. A department official told lawmakers today that there's- quote- NO ''supply or demand reason for the price of oil to be as high as it is.'' The official explained that prices have been- in his words- ''bid up by speculative activity.''

The Senate voted today to require federally funded family planning groups to notify a parent 48 hours before his or her teen-ager gets an abortion. The proposal... which requires notification but NOT consent... is an amendment to a five-year extension of the family planning program. President Bush's advisers have said they will recommend a veto of the measure.

A Superior Court judge in Santa Monica, California, is expected to rule later today on a motion by defense attorneys for actor Marlon Brando's son. The lawyers want murder charges against Christian Brando reduced to manslaughter, saying the shooting of his half sister's boyfriend was an accident. The 32-year-old son of the famous actor allegedly shot and killed Dag Drollet on

May 16th.

Two youths set themselves ablaze in India today while police shot and killed five demonstrators during violent protests against a controversial federal job quota program. The widespread protests were the worst since Prime Minister V-P Singh announced in early August that 27 percent of all federal jobs would be reserved for members of the so- called ''backward'' classes.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - A storm of false rumors drove world crude oil prices up Wednesday after markets had fallen earlier on a U.S. industry report of rising gasoline supplies.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent crude edged up 10 cents over Tuesday to $40.05 a barrel. It had been down 95 cents earlier.

Brent, which has been leading the price surge on world markets, was quoted at $40.40 a barrel Monday, the first time crude has been quoted over $40 a barrel on world markets in 10 years.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery shot up $1.14 on the day to $38.67 a barrel, after being down as much as $1.05 in earlier trading.

''There were rumors flying all over,'' said Thomas Blakeslee, a trader with Pegasus Econometrics Group Inc. in Hoboken, N.J.

They included one that a U.S. warplane had been shot down in the Middle East, which the Pentagon denied.

Crude prices fell earlier in response to the weekly nationwide survey of the American Petroleum Institute showing a surprisingly large jump in gasoline inventories, but the decline was quickly reversed by the rumors.

''In this market, nothing compares with war hysteria,'' said James Steel, energy analyst with New York's Refco Inc.

Blakeslee said the rumors quickly persuaded the traders to abandon previously taken ''short'' sell positions.

''No one's willing to be short for more than a few minutes at a time. Only a 'white-knuckle' few,'' Blakeslee said.

The American Petroleum Institute reported late Tuesday after the Merc had closed that U.S. gasoline supplies last week rose 5.3 million barrels to 222.3

million barrels, the first time in months that stocks exceeded year-ago levels.

Traders had expected only a slight rise in gasoline inventories.

''The market is concentrating on selling gasoline because of the big build in supplies in the report,'' one trader said.

The API report also showed heating oil stocks last week rose 3.2 million barrels to 136.5 million barrels, one of the highest levels in recent years.

On the Merc, unleaded gasoline for October delivery ended the day down 1.95 cents from Tuesday's close to $1.001 a gallon, after trading as low as 98.7 cents a gallon.

October home heating gained 1.37 cents to $1.0257 a gallon, after being down 2.7 cents in earlier trading.

On the European spot market, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light, the key Middle East crude shipped mainly to the Far East, was quoted at $34.10 a barrel, a gain of 70 cents.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt delivery WTI crude, rose 40 cents to $38.65 a barrel.

Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp., and Conoco Inc., Du Pont's Houston-based subsidiary, raised the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead by $1.25 a barrel to $37.50 a barrel for WTI.

Steel said there was good demand on the spot markets from the Far East, particularly Japan, for jet fuel and home heating oil.

Calvin Kent, administrator of the Energy Department's Energy Information Administration, told Congress that U.S. oil supplies were generally sufficient for the approaching winter.

Other than a potential propane shortfall, Kent testified there are generally adequate U.S. supplies of petroleum and heating oil, and refinery capacity is sufficient.

The supply of jet fuel ''deserves watching,'' Kent testified, because of the ''increased demand for military purposes.''

In Jakarta, Indonesia's oil minister was reported as saying world oil prices could soar out of control and exceed $60 a barrel if the Persian Gulf crisis developed into a war.

Mines and Energy Minister Ginandjar Kartasasmita told the Indonesian Observer that it is very difficult to predict the level to which prices would rise

should fighting occur in the Middle East.

''It might exceed $60 a barrel if war breaks out,'' the Observer quoted Ginandjar as saying.

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McAllEN, TX (SEPT. 26) UPI - A federal bankruptcy judge Wednesday granted Greyhound Lines Inc. an extension until Nov. 19 to file its financial reorganization plan.

The nation's largest bus transportation company filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy law June 4, three months after a walkout by some 6,300 drivers. The drivers struck when negotiations broke down over a new contract.

Under federal law, the company originally had until Oct. 2 to file its plan of reorganization. The latest ruling by Judge Richard Schmidt extended that deadline by another 48 days to Nov. 19.

J. Michael Doyle, Greyhound's chief financial officer, said the company had made signfificant progress in its financial recovery during the summer.

''We appreciate the court's vote of confidence in giving us this brief extension,'' he said.

For the week ended Sept. 23, Doyle said, the company had ticket sales equal to 94.2 percent of the comparable week of last year.

Other Greyhound officers said the company does not expect to ask for additional extension and that it plans to file its reorganization plan by the current deadline.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - As budget talks went down to the wire Wednesday on a $500 billion deficit reduction plan, finger-pointing between President Bush and Democrats escalated over who's to blame for delaying a deal.

Bush, at a political fund-raiser in Akron, Ohio, blamed congressional Democrats for the long-standing impasse at the talks, which continued Wednesday with Bush's push for a cut in the capital-gains tax among the unresolved issues.

''The hang-up is not capital gains. The hang-up is with the Democrats on Capitol Hill,'' Bush said just five days before up to $105.7 billion in

automatic cuts in federal spending would take effect.

''We are still waiting for Democrats to commit to meaningful reform. Time and again, I've gone the extra mile and I believe the Republicans in Congress have gone the extra mile, and each time the other side said, 'It's still your move.'

''Well, it's not our move anymore. And if and when the ax falls, the Democratic Congress knows that it will be held accountable and I will take that message to every state in the union. It is their fault.''

Talking to reporters on Air Force One before leaving for Ohio, Bush said: ''I would now say that the Democrats in Congress have to come forward with a package. We're still working hard in a good bipartisan spirit. ... We're getting down to the wire.''

Bush's charge that Democrats had failed to offer a deficit-reduction package prompted angry responses from Democratic leaders on Capitol Hill, where House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., and Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine held a joint news conference to dispute Bush's claim.

Bush's charge ''is untrue and the president's chief of staff, budget director and secretary of the treasury know it's untrue,'' Mitchell said, referring to John Sununu, Richard Darman and Nicholas Brady, respectively - the three administration budget negotiators who have been meeting since May 15 with congressional bargainers.

He said Democrats had presented a series of deficit-reduction proposals and counterproposals as late as 2 a.m. Wednesday, shortly before talks recessed for the night after an eight-hour session. Talks between the five top congressonal leaders and the administration continued Wednesday.

''The president's statement creates a highly misleading and damaging impression about our participation in these negotiations,'' Mitchell said. ''It cannot stand unchallenged.''

Added Foley: ''We feel it's important that everyone understand that there are packages being offered.''

''Any implication of any kind that we are not proposing to provide a solution is simply incorrect,'' Foley said.

Earlier, House Democratic leader William Gray of Pennsylvania called Bush's comments ''false and counterproductive.''

''He has made it much more difficult to reach an agreement,'' Gray told a news conference. ''We've met the president more than half way.''

Gray told Bush to ''stop acting like a party chairman and start acting like a

president'' and urged him to ''get off the campaign trail'' and come back to Washington and join the budget talks as they enter their difficult final stage.

Gray said Democrats, in their offer early Wednesday, had gone ''more than half way'' in meeting Republican demands. He said both sides were ''pretty close'' to agreement except in one area - Bush's continued insistence on cutting the capital-gains tax on profits from the sale of assets.

But two Republican budget negotiators later disputed Gray's assertation that negotiators were close to a deal and rejected the idea that Bush should join the talks, saying that he was adequately represented by Sununu, Brady and Darman.

Earlier Wednesday, Republican leaders who met with Bush indicated he might yield on his demand for a capital-gains cut if other economic growth incentives are in the final deficit reduction plan.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - Canadian authorities say a stand-off at a McDonald's in Hamilton, Ontario, ended with a gunman letting 12 hostages free before killing himself. Witnesses say the four-hour ordeal began when a woman screamed ''I doN'T want to die,'' as she ran into the fast-food restaurant, followed by a man with a high-powered rifle. Police say the incident began with a domestic dispute.

Just one day after a United Nations air embargo was imposed against Iraq... Jordan today allowed two Iraqi planes to land in Amman. One Boeing 707 dropped off some British hostages, and picked up passengers and cargo before returning to Baghdad. One Western diplomat in Amman called the flights ''a clear violation of the U-N embargo.'' But the British Foreign Office says there is NO evidence of a big airlift... though he said some ''seepage'' is expected.

The Pentagon today announced the biggest troop cuts in Europe since the days after World War Two. Defense Secretary Cheney says the move anticipates a successful conclusion of arms talks with the Soviet Union. By giving advance warning... the Defense Department hopes to spread the cuts throughout the 1991 fiscal year... rather than just a fraction of the year.

Military officials say a Trident-2 missile carrying dummy warheads was successfully launched from a submerged submarine today east of Cape Canaveral. The weapon's sea-launch record is now seven successes against two failures. Anti-nuclear activists have protested the test firings since they began in 1987. Because of previous confrontations at sea, the launches now are done in secrecy.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Intermark Inc				
Increased				
EQK Green Acres LP	Q	.33	2-15	12-28
Reduced				
D&N Financial Corp	Q	.07 1/2	10-25	10-9
Resumed				
Bird Corp	..	.20	10-15	9-30
Initial				
American Brands	Q	.38 1/2	12-1	11-8
Distribution				
Trustees CF/IP	Q	.25	10-2	9-26
Trustees CF/USP	Q	.20	10-2	9-26
Vanguard Convtb SF	Q	.14	10-2	9-26
Vanguard Equity IF	Q	.12	10-2	9-26
Vanguard Index T/500P	Q	.18	10-2	9-26
Usual				
EQK Rlty Investors I	..	.10	1-31	12-17
First Mich Capital	..	.50	10-24	10-10
Grove Bank Savings	Q	.09	10-22	10-8
Horizon Bank	..	.07 1/2	10-25	10-9
Metropolitan Fincl	Q	.11	10-31	10-15
North Fork Bancorp	Q	.21 1/4	10-15	10-5
North West Co	Q	.08	10-31	9-29
Pulse Bancorp	Q	.25	10-25	10-11
Raytheon Co	Q	.60	10-31	10-10
Topps Co	Q	.05	11-1	10-18
Valmont Industries	Q	.06 1/2	10-15	9-28
Vulcan Materials Co	Q	.30	12-10	11-26
Washington Gas Lt Co	Q	.51	11-1	10-10
Wellesley Income Fd	Q	.28	10-2	9-26
Westinghouse Electric	Q	.35	12-1	11-10

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - International finance officials met Tuesday to establish procedures for the distribution of about $20 billion in pledges to assist countries hurt by the Persian Gulf crisis and rising oil prices.

The first meeting of the Gulf Crisis Financial Coordination Group, announced Tuesday by President Bush, reached no conclusions about amounts of money to be disbursed to individual countries, according to a senior Treasury Department official.

''It was not the purpose of this first meeting to settle numbers,'' the official said. ''The emphasis is on progress and movement, getting moving.''

Participants agreed that economic assistance to the most adversely affected countries, including the so-called front-line nations of Turkey, Jordan and Egypt, is critical to the global strategy of isolating Iraq President Saddam Hussein.

The meeting, which was chaired by David Mulford, the Treasury's under secretary for international affairs, focused on procedures for the disbursement of commitments.

The official said countries other than the front-line nations could receive financial assistance from donor nations, but he added that the group wants to keep the focus on those countries most severely affected by the recent increase in oil prices.

The group's goal is to coordinate commitments and contributions made by donor nations to help boost the economies of countries hardest hit by higher oil prices.

The group held its first meeting at the Treasury after Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady met with Saudi and Kuwait representatives, who reportedly have balked at giving economic assistance to Jordan, one of the nations hardest hit by the crisis.

The resistance of Kuwait and Saudi Arabia was discussed by the group, but the official declined to say what conclusions, if any, were reached. The group will reconvene Oct. 12.

Brady, in an address to the joint annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank, called upon the global lending institutions to ''extend their hands'' to assist those most affected by skyrocketing oil prices.

Brady suggested the lending agencies adjust their access policy; speed disbursements from the Compensatory and Contingency Financing Facility; widen compensation coverage to include pipeline, transit, transportation and

construction fees and expedite disbursements to help countries immediately adjust to higher oil costs.

A World Bank official later defended the institution's assistance plans, saying the bank has moved quickly and aggressively to respond to the crisis.

''As the crisis has prolonged, we've seen a greater threat to the gains of the 1980s and we're very keen that these gains not be derailed, '' said David Bock director of the World Bank's operation staff.

The annual meeting's second day was highlighted by tough talk about the Persian Gulf crisis.

Some of the toughest talk came from John Major, England's chancellor for the exchequer, who firmly stated that Iraq will not be allowed to profit from its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''If we allow Iraq to profit from the invasion and annexation of her neighbor, no small country will feel secure,'' Major said. ''We must not let that happen. And together, I am sure we will not.''

During an address to banking and finance officials from 152 nations, Major said governments must play a role in reducing the stress placed on the world's economy from rising oil prices, which have doubled since the invasion.

Major said inflation cannot be avoided initially from the oil shock, but he stressed that governments can prevent inflation from becoming permanently entrenched.

''If this means that interest rates in some cases have to be raised, or in others, have to be kept higher for longer than would otherwise have been necessary, then this is what we must do,'' he said.

Brady said the crisis, which already is forecast to slow economic growth in much of the industrial world, will make it more difficult to navigate between the twin risks of higher inflation and slower growth.

''The Gulf crisis has complicated this task, and it will test our ability to steer a course which was already narrow.''

Brady also said the economic strength of the members of the IMF and World Bank ''must be mobilized to demonstrate collective resolve and make clear our intention not to yield to aggression.''

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - It was NOT the big one that scientists have been predicting,

much to the relief of residents along the Illinois-Missouri border. Scientists say a mild earthquake registering four-point-six on the richter scale shook the Midwest today, re-inforcing concern about the New Madrid Fault. But today's quake... which did NOT cause major damage... apparently did NOT occur along the fault itself.

Government figures released today show that children are especially hard-hit by poverty. The Census Bureau says 31-and-one-half Million Americans- or nearly 13 percent of the population- were officially poor in 1989. The bureau says people under the age of 18 made up 40 percent of those living in poverty... while Americans over 65 made up another 10-point-seven percent of the figure.

An expert panel today recommended that the government demand nutritional labeling on almost all packaged foods. The report in Washington comes from the Institute of Medicine... part of the National Academy of Sciences. The group especially called for nutitional information at fast food restaurants. Consumer groups hailed the report... in particular, its call for nutrition information about red meat.

An Indiana tax preparer faces a possible five-year prison term after being convicted of helping customers file false income tax returns. Johnny Motley blamed his clients for his mistakes, telling a federal court in Indianapolis that he simply put down what his clients told him. In one instance, Motley listed a client's cat as a dependent, telling the client the cat was like a companion.

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SAN JOSE, Calif. (SEPT. 27) UPI - Growth in worldwide semiconductor sales will slow to just 1.5 percent in 1990 but return to a double-digit pace in the following three years, a leading trade association said Wednesday.

The Semiconductor Industry Association, which in May forecast a decline in 1990 chip sales, said it expects the worldwide semiconductor market to grow to $49.5 billion in 1990 from $48.8 billlion in 1989.

The trade group attributed the small increase to slower growth in end markets for semiconductors, which are critical components of computers, automobiles and a wide range of electronics products.

The projected increase in 1990 chip sales compares with a gain of 8.4 percent registered in 1989 and increases of more than 20 percent a year from 1986 through 1988.

The association said it expects semiconductor sales to take off again in 1991, with a projected 12.5 percent increase to $55.7 billion, and picking up to

19.5 percent increase to $66.6 billion in 1992. A 12.9 percent increase, to $75.2 billion, is anticipated for 1993.

Strong growth in Western Europe and Asia will be responsible for the increase this year, the association said. While the U.S. market will decline 2.3 percent and the Japanese market will slip 2.8 percent, European chip sales will jump 9 percent in 1990, according to its forecast.

''Rest of the world'' sales, which include Korea, Singapore, Taiwan and other markets, will leap 13.9 percent this year, the association said.

Sales of memory chips, the second largest semiconductor product segment, will be hurt the most this year, dropping 16.3 percent, while the largest product segment, logic chips, will climb 16 percent in sales, the group predicted.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - Iraq is likely to see severe food shortages by the end of the year, which will make food rationing and evasion of the world trade embargo key elements to its ability to get by, a report said Wednesday.

The report, written by the Library of Congress, cited a number of steps Iraq could take to substitute domestic production for the large volume of food it used to import. They include liquidation of livestock herds, making bread out of barley and eating more vegetables.

''Many (experts) anticipate that the population will be able to adjust its diet and, with smuggling that will likely occur, can get by,'' at least for a while, the report said.

''Successful rationing and embargo leakages are vital elements in the ability of Iraq to cope with the next six months.''

That period may be vital because it leads from this fall's vegetable harvest through winter and toward next spring's harvest of the fall- planted barley and wheat crops.

Most of the report was based on interviews with Agriculture Department officials.

Although the international embargo calls for a complete cut-off of trade, department analysts recently forecast Iraq would import 1.75 million metric tons of wheat, feed grains and rice, and 50,000 tons of soybean meal in the coming trade year. Some of the wheat may have arrived before the embargo took effect.

The projection is down by 1 million tons from an estimate in August and would

be only 35 percent of Iraq's imports in the preceding crop year.

Western analysts disagree over the amount of food on hand in Iraq when the embargo took effect. They generally agree Iraq had enough wheat for a few months, an ample supply of barley, from two to five months' worth of rice, and little sugar.

However, Iraq, the world's largest exporter of dates, could press its dates to extract a sweetener that could be used in place of sugar. Similarly, the report said potatoes could replace imported rice, vegetables could take a larger role in meals and fish could replace animal meat.

Agriculture Department economists ''expect drastic shortages by November or December,'' the report said. ''Extreme hardship will be apparent by the end of the year.''

With world wheat production at record levels this year, the report noted the potential for smuggling or for grain to slip through bordering nations and into Iraq.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - There may be an end in sight to the 11-week-old standoff between Mohawk Indians and Canadian soldiers. Mohawk leaders say the tiny group of militant Mohawks holed up on a reserve near Montreal are ready to surrender. The process is expected to begin tomorrow morning. The dispute began in July when police stormed a barricade that the Indians had erected around land they claim as an ancient burial ground.

Three more potential jurors were rejected in Cincinnati today in the obscenity trial involving the Robert Mapplethorpe photographic exhibit. One young woman was the first prospective juror to say she had seen the exhibit last spring at the Cincinnati Contemporary Arts Center... which is on trial, along with its director. The woman said she would have NO problems seeing the photos. Prosecutors dismissed her.

Police in Auburn, Washington, say if toxicology tests are positive, charges are likely against a 14-year-old girl said to have been inspired by the movie ''Heathers'' to poison her playmates. Police reports say the girl fed rat poison and household cleanser to two friends to ''get even'' in a dispute. Neither victim was seriously hurt. The movie ''Heathers'' deals with a high school girl who turns murderous in competing with other girls for boys and social status.

Two more winners of Florida's 106-Million-dollar Lotto jackpot stepped forward today... leaving just one of the six winning tickets UNaccounted for. A farm family from rural Broward County claimed one ticket on behalf of a family

trust fund. ''Pete'' Beaty says they will keep farming ''until the money runs out.'' The other new winners are 10 members of a family pool that spent 200 dollars on tickets.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 26) UPI - A man pleaded guilty Wednesday to charges he wreaked havoc aboard an airborne British Airways plane, assaulting some crew members and threatening to kill the captain, officials said.

John Holden, 32, of New Bedford, came close to shutting down an engine while the jet was 40,000 feet in the air at one point during the Nov. 29, 1989, incident, said U.S. Attorney Wayne Budd.

Holden pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court in Boston to charges stemming from the disturbance aboard British Airways Flight 215. The plane was carrying 221 passengers and 21 crew members to Boston from London's Heathrow Airport when the incident occurred, Budd said.

Prosecutors told Judge Joseph Tauro that Holden verbally, physically and sexually assaulted flight attendants aboard the jet and at one point entered the flight deck, threatening to kill the captain.

While on the flight deck, Holden came close to hitting the emergency lever that would have shut down the plane's engine while the aircraft was traveling at 40,000 feet, prosecutors said.

FBI agents arrested Holden when the plane landed safely at Boston's Logan International Airport.

Tauro ordered Holden to be held pending sentencing. The defendant faces a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison and $250,000 in fines.

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PAINESVILLE, Ohio (SEPT. 26) UPI - A jury voted Wednesday to spare the life of Damon Lundgren, convicted of helping his cult leader father slay a family that belonged to the cult and bury their bodies in the floor of a barn.

The seven-man, five-woman jury, recommended a sentence of life in prison with no parole for at least 20 years on each of four counts of aggravated murder, the lightest possible sentence possible.

Lundgren was convicted of helping his father kill Dennis Avery and his three young daughters in April, 1989. Avery's wife Cheryl also was slain, but the younger Lundgren was not charged in her death.

A separate jury last week recommended the electric chair for Jeffery Don Lundgren, the cult leader who ordered the killings.

The younger Lundgren, 19, sighed quietly when his sentence was read. Lundgren earlier wrung his hands as the jury filed into the courtroom to announce its decision.

Common Pleas Judge Paul Mitrovich said he would rule on the jury's recommendation Oct. 5 and prosecutors said they would request the sentences on four counts of aggravated murder be consecutive, so Lundgren would not be eligible for parole for 80 years.

Special Prosecutor Joseph Gurley said he was disappointed the jury did not vote for the death penalty. ''Our main goal was to make sure this fellow would not be a threat to society,'' he said.

In his closing argument, defense lawyer Charles Cichocki repeated defense contentions that Damon was under his father's influence.

Jeffrey Don Lundgren, once a lay minister for Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, was thrown out of church when he started reinterpreting biblical passages.

His wife Alice has been sentenced to five consecutive life terms for her part in the killings. Trials are pending for two other cult members.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 26) UPI - Moving to quell energy jitters, President Bush said Wednesday he would authorize a test sale of 5 million barrels of oil from the nation's strategic reserve of 590 million barrels.

The president also said he was taking the action in response to oil price gouging in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, which has sent shock waves through the world's oil markets.

''While the oil market is very tight, with little spare capacity, there is sufficient oil to meet current needs,'' Bush said in remarks prepared for delivery to a GOP fund-raiser in Chicago.

''The oil market has simply not taken into account the additional production coming on stream from a variety of sources nor the available commercial stocks '' Bush said. ''There is no justification for intensive and unwarranted speculation in oil futures.''

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the primary motivation for

Bush's action is concern over possible shortages of heating oil in the fourth quarter. ''We do anticipate that there could be shortages and we could need to rely on the SPR in a more permanent fashion,'' Fitzwater said.

Bush acted as pressure mounted in Congress to draw on the 590 million-barrel reserve now to calm oil markets before the Persian Gulf crisis leads to an actual energy shortage.

His decision also comes two days before the scheduled Paris meeting of the International Energy Agency, which is expected to discuss the possibility of a coordinated ''draw-down'' of strategic reserves by the United States and other industrialized nations, such as Germany and Japan.

Bush signaled his willingness to work with the agency, saying, ''Should the oil situation deteriorate, the United States, in concert with our partners in the International Energy Agency, is prepared to bring additional oil to the market. We must make sure that we can act quickly, if necessary.''

Bush, who signed legislation Sept. 15 giving him wider latitude to order emergency oil supplies drawn from the reserve, had been reluctant to make such a move absent a demonstrable shortage in commercial petroleum stocks.

Recent oil price spikes, accompanied by rising retail gasoline prices and home heating fuel, have been attributed more to market speculation than to actual shortages since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. That situation has irritated Bush, a former Texas oilman.

''Today, it's especially important that America is economically healhty and militarily strong,'' Bush said. ''At home and abroad, let me caution those who might take advantage of the current crisis in the Persian Gulf, those who might seek profit by subverting the sanctions, or here at home, those speculators who might try to drive up the price of oil.''

Some energy analysts have suggested a modest release of oil from the strategic reserve would dampen speculation and prevent catastrophic price increases that would likely follow a severe disruption in supplies.

Following that logic, Bush Wednesday ordered the Energy Department to release 5 million barrels of oil from the reserve under ''test draw- down'' powers authorized by Congress, and sell it on the market to the highest bidder.

Rep. Philip Sharp, D-Ind., chairman of the House subcommittee on energy and powwer, called for a test draw-down in a letter sent last Tuesday to Energy Secretary James Watkins.

The strategic petroleum reserve was created in 1975 following the Arab oil embargo to ensure the United States a supply of oil in the event of an energy crisis caused by events overseas, natural disasters or acts of sabotage. It

has never been tapped.

The law reauthorizing the reserve expands the president's discretion to draw on it under a less severe circumstance ''that constitutes, or is likely to become, a domestic energy supply shortge of significant scope or duration.''

Oil for the reserve is stored in salt caverns along the Gulf Coast of Texas and Louisiana.

Under the terms of a test sale, there will be a notice that the oil is for sale, bids will be received, winning bids will be announced and then the oil will be delivered. The sale process takes as little as 15 days, with delivery in about 30 to 60 days.

''We want to make it clear to those speculators that we do have oil to put on the market,'' Fitzwater said. ''The purpose here is to be ready for shortages. It is a decision that the president came to reluctantly. Prudence indicated we get ready for some shortage in the fourth quarter.''

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KINGSTON, MA (SEPT. 26) UPI - The next-door neighbor of a missing teenager, whose disappearance 11 days ago sparked a massive search, was charged with the girl's murder Wednesday, 90 minutes after police found a body buried in his basement.

The body had not been publicly identified and was ''not completely exhumed'' by Wednesday evening, but police said it was found in the basement of the home where the suspect, 52-year-old Henry Meinholz, lived.

''The identity of the body has not been established,'' said Plymouth County District Attorney William O'Malley, adding identification was being delayed ''because of the need to take care to preserve anything of evidentiary value.''

''At this time, we are going to await an order from the court which is in the process of being sought. When that is received, the body will be exhumed to identify (it),'' O'Malley said.

Despite the lack of positive identification, O'Malley said Meinholz was charged with the murder of 13-year-old Melissa Benoit, who lived with her mother one door down from his home on Main Street in Kingston, a quiet community of 4,300 residents 30 miles southeast of Boston.

Benoit, a soft-spoken eighth-grader, disappeared Sept. 15 after spending the afternoon watching television at another neighbor's house. She reportedly left that house, located 50 feet from her own, to visit the grave of her father, who died one year ago last week.

The disappearance was brought to a national audience Friday evening when Benoit's mother, Dianne Richard, appealed for her daughter's return on the television program ''America's Most Wanted.''

The case, which also sparked a massive search of southeastern Massachusetts involving self-described psychics and some 200 volunteers, began to break Wednesday afternoon.

Witnesses said a state police trooper with a search dog entered the Meinholz home twice, for five minutes each time, beginning about 2:30 p.m., emerging the second time visibly shaken. She was consoled by a fellow trooper.

Later in the day, investigators gathered at the house and Meinholz was reportedly questioned inside.

Police declined to say what led them to Meinholz's house, but said the psychics played no role in Wednesday's discovery.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - Adequate supplies of natural gas should be available to meet consumer demand this winter, but there could be isolated problems in some areas for short periods of time, the American Gas Association said Wednesday.

In a study assessing the natural gas outlook, the association also said about half the local gas distribution companies surveyed believed they would have to pay at least 6 percent more for supplies bought on the spot market in January 1991 than they did in the 1989-1990 winter.

However, association officials said it was unlikely consumers would see price hikes of that magnitude because the impact of spot purchases would be cushioned by cheaper gas from storage and other sources.

On a national average basis, the report said gas suppliers could meet expected demand, even if January 1991 is the coldest month in 50 years.

However, the report added: ''Transportation bottlenecks and sharp swings in gas demand associated with cold weather are likely to lead to price volatility on the spot market. During short periods in localized areas, this could even result in physical delivery constraints on receipt of gas.''

The report said there were some short-term supply problems last December due to rapid growth in natural gas demand in certain areas of the country, weather-related problems with Gulf of Mexico supplies and the failure to add planned pipeline capacity.

But it said the industry had addressed those problems by improving system flexibility, instrumentation and monitoring.

The report is based on survey responses from 69 local distribution companies, 23 pipeline companies and producers accounting for one-sixth of the nation's natural gas production.

The report also concluded:

-Natural gas from storage, from spot market sales and from new, longer-term contracts will supply 44 percent of local distribution company requirements.

-Pipeline ''system supply,'' or natural gas actually sold to a customer by a pipeline company, is expected to supply 56 percent of local distribution company needs in January 1991, compared with approximately 83 percent in January 1980.

-Peak supply capability for January 1991 is projected to be 2.45 billion cubic feet. This compares with the maximum monthly consumption of natural gas ever recorded, which was 2.4 billion cubic feet in January 1979.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 26) UPI - The Motion Picture Association of America, responding to heavy criticism over its X movie rating category, scrapped the X Wednesday in favor of a ''NC-17'' designation for non-pornographic adult-oriented films.

Films rated NC-17 will be off limits to children under 17.

The change, which had been widely anticipated in some form, is designed to differentiate adult-oriented films from hard-core porn. Sex films have become synomous with the X rating under the MPAA's 22-year- old voluntary rating system.

''We believe that changing the name to 'NC-17 - No Children Under 17 Admitted' will restore this category to its original design,'' said Jack Valenti, president of the trade group.

To receive the NC-17 rating, a movie would have to be copyrighted by the MPAA, as are films given the G, PG or R rating. Despite the change, producers of hard-core porn films can continue to use the X rating for their non-copyrighted movies.

In two lawsuits this year and an ongoing debate, film producers had challenged the MPAA's X rating of such recent films as ''Tie Me Up! Tie Me Down!'' and

''The Cook, the Thief, His Wife & Her Lover.''

Many theater chains refuse to book X-rated films, while many newspapers and television stations won't accept advertising for such movies.

''I think that the hard-core producers will hold on to the X rating - they've already made that their eminent domain,'' producer Jack Haley Jr. said in an interview. ''But some major films (rated NC-17) will have a good shot at being advertised and played in theaters that would not accept an X movie.''

Major studios have not released an X-rated film in more than a decade.

Filmmakers say that, because of the X rating, they have been put in the position of either editing their movies to achieve an R rating - meaning restricted and requiring that children under 17 be accompanied by an adult - or hoping that the film would generate interest through word-of-mouth and attract audiences despite getting an X rating.

Earlier this year, independent studio Miramax sued the MPAA after it was unsuccessful in its appeal to overturn an X rating for ''Tie Me Up! Tie Me Down!'' A federal judge in New York upheld the rating, but blasted the system as ''an effective form of censorship.''

Valenti made the announcement in New York along with officials of the National Association of Theater Owners.

''We have concluded that over the years some people have come to endow the X film rating with a meaning it does not have, never has had, and was not intended by founders of the rating program,'' Valenti said.

''It is our objective that this 'No Children Under 17 Admitted' category return (the X rating) to its original intent, which simply meant that this was a film which most parents would choose to have off limits to their youngsters under 17 years of age.''

Shortly after the announcement, Universal Pictures said that it plans to release Philip Kaufman's ''Henry & June'' on Oct. 5 as the first film to carry the NC-17 rating.

The film, which is about author Henry Miller's relationship with his wife June and their affairs with writer Anais Nin had received an X rating from the MPAA and was due for a showdown Oct. 3 before the group's appeal board.

''I am happy that 'Henry & June' has served as a catalyst for this particular change to the rating system,'' said Tom Pollock, chairman of the MCA Motion Picture Group. ''Henry Miller stood for freedom of expression and waged a life-long battle against literary censorship.''

Valenti also announced that the MPAA will begin to release brief explanations as to why a film received an R rating.

The Writers Guild of America West issued a statement endorsing the new rating and the expanded action on R-rated films, saying that the announcement ''addresses and enhances the primary purpose of the system which is to effectively guide parents.''

Chuck Warn, spokesman for the Directors Guild of America, said the group endorsed the change. ''We can only wait and see how it works as a way of extending creative freedom of directors.''

The announcement also officially brushes aside a proposal from a blue-ribbon group of directors, who had asked this summer that a new rating, such as ''A'' for adults only, be created specifically for non- pornographic films.

''It's nice that they've gotten rid of the X, but it will only be a matter of time before some hard-core pornographic film gets an NC-17,'' said Mark Lipsky president of Silverlight Entertainment, which distributed the film ''Life is Cheap ... But Toilet Paper is Expensive.'' The movie also received an X rating from the MPAA this year.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - Secretary of State Baker describes as ''repugnant'' Iraq's demand today for a list of personnel in the U-S Embassy in Baghdad. He says the Bush administration will NOT comply. Baghdad warns that NON-diplomats sheltered at the mission are guilty of spying and could face death.

In response to oil price gouging following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, President Bush announced tonight in Chicago that he'll authorize a test sale of five-Million barrels of oil from the nation's strategic petroleum reserve.

Earlier, G-O-P lawmakers said President Bush may yield on his demand for a capital gains tax cut in order to reach agreement on budget reductions. But House Budget Committee Chairman Leon Panetta says as of tonight, Republicans had NOT offered a budget plan without a capital gains cut. The California Democrat says- ''We've gone beyond economics, this is religion.''

The federal government's 20-year-old family planning program was dealt a severe blow today when the Senate refused to kill a filibuster blocking passage of a five-year extension. The action means the bill is now UNlikley to come up for a vote until next year.

President Bush today proposed a compromise in hopes of speeding final passage of clean air legislation. In a letter to Congress, Bush identified what he felt were the ''best features'' of the House-passed and Senate-passed bills

and asked negotiators to roll them into one for his signature.

The 11-week standoff between militant Mohawks and the Canadian army seems to have ended. Without notice, the Indians tonight left the drug and detoxification center where they had been holed up near Montreal. The dispute involved land the tribe claimed was an ancient burial ground.

A man carrying a high-powered rifle chased a woman believed to be his wife into a McDonald's in Hamilton, Ontario, today and held 12 employees hostage. Police say the nearly four-hour standoff ended when the gunman killed himself.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - A jury in Painesville, Ohio, today voted to spare the life of convicted killer Damon Lundgren and instead recommended that he be sentenced to life in prison. The 19-year-old Lundgren was convicted of helping his cult leader father kill a family of five last year.

A judge in Santa Monica, California, today refused to reduce the charges against the son of Oscar-winning actor Marlon Brando from murder to manslaughter. Christian Brando is charged in the May shooting death of his pregnant half-sister's boyfriend.

The disappearance of a suburban Boston teen-ager whose mother pleaded for her return Friday on the television program ''America's Most Wanted'' apparently has been solved. Police in Kingston, Massachusetts, tonight charged the girl's neighbor with murder after a body was found buried in his basement.

Authorities in Tucson, Arizona, say a malamute dog... a pet described as protective of a four-week-old girl... killed the baby this morning- apparently while the family slept. Police say the dog will be destroyed.

Police in Seguin, Texas, say a man who became upset after losing custody of his two children and then losing his job shot and seriously wounded two lawyers from the firm that represented his children in court. 34-year-old Albert DeLeon was arrested shortly after the shooting.

Health officials in New Brunswick, New Jersey, say Monday's Lyme disease-caused death of an 11-year-old girl may be the nation's first reported case of a fatality caused by the tick-borne illness.

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(SEPT. 26) UPI - Secretary of State Baker calls it ''repugnant'' and says the Bush administration will NOT comply with an Iraqi demand that it hand over a list of personnel in the U-S Embassy in Baghdad. State Department officials

say Iraq also warned that NON-diplomats sheltered in the embassy are- in Baghdad's eyes- guilty of espionage and could face a penalty of death.

President Bush says he will O-K a test sale of five-Million barrels of oil from the nation's strategic reserve of 590-Million barrels. Bush says he's responding to the oil price gouging that followed Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Bush's move comes amid mounting pressure in Congress to draw on the reserve to calm oil markets before an energy shortage really happens.

The head of the Environmental Protection Agency today announced a crash program to cut the most dangerous toxic discharges. E-P-A Administrator William Reilly called for reducing those chemicals by more than half within five years. In a major policy speech at the National Press Club in Washington, Reilly called for focusing clean-ups on the worst health and ecological risks.

The State Department says talks with Peru over proposed military aid to fight drug trafficking have collapsed. The aid was part of an anti- drug agreement that President Bush signed with much fanfare at Cartagena , Colombia, last February. Peru wants part of the money to help farmers grow crops other than those used for cocaine. But U-S negotiators say money canNOT be put into areas controlled by drug traffickers.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 27) UPI - MCA Inc. stockholders sued the entertainment giant Wednesday, claiming the reported $7.5 billion acquisition offer from Japan's Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. is not high enough.

In the Superior Court lawsuit against MCA and its officials, shareholders assert that MCA Chairman Lew Wasserman, Chief Operating Officer Sidney Sheinberg and others have negotiated the Matsushita takeover as part of a ''scheme'' to retain control of the company.

The suit accuses Wasserman and the others of ''negotiating on a preferential basis with Matsushita and failing to implement the auction or other bidding mechanisms'' to maximize the stockholder interests.

The suit claims the proposed buyout by Matsushita, one of the world's largest electronics manufacturers, means MCA's outstanding shares will be sold ''at a price substantially below their fair and intrinsic value.''

MCA's asset value has been estimated in the range of $80 to $90 a share, but, before news of the potential buyout, its stock suffered a decline in market value this year that the suit said was caused by the company's expansion plan.

Besides the movie studio, the company owns theme parks in Los Angeles and Orlando, Fla., several record companies, television station WWOR in Seacaucus,

N.J., Putnam Publishing Group and a 49 percent stake in the Cineplex Odeon movie theater chain.

The suit claims that, given those assets, the decline in stock value is reversible and that MCA's shares should be sold at higher prices than ''Matsushita reportedly is willing to pay.''

MCA on Tuesday confirmed it was holding acquisition talks, but declined to name a potential buyer. The report of a possible buyout prompted an immediate 57 percent jump in the stock's market value.

The announcement was the first time MCA, which is the parent of Universal Studios and generated nearly $3.4 billion in revenues last year, admitted it was in acquisition talks.

MCA stock was the second most active on the New York Stock Exchange Wednesday, closing up 7 1/4 points to 61 1/4 on trading of more than 1.8 million shares.

MCA issued a statement that said: ''In light of the unusual market activity in MCA Inc. stock just prior to the close of trading, the New York Stock Exchange contacted the company and requested that the company issue a public statement indicating whether there are any corporate developments which may explain the unusual activity.

''As MCA has previously stated, discussions with a major international company regarding a possible negotiated acquisition of MCA are continuing on a friendly basis. No agreement has been reached. There is no assurance that an agrement will be reached.''

Despite rumors that the 77-year-old Wasserman may be looking to get out of the business, the suit claims Matsushita has ''expressed a firm desire'' to retain MCA's current management.

Wasserman, who helped build MCA from a small booking agency, owns a 7 percent stake, while other directors control about 11 percent.

The suit seeks a court order for MCA to cooperate with other potential buyers who would maximize shareholders' interests and to eliminate any potential conflict of interest in MCA officials' negotitions of a buyout that would enable them to retain control of the company.

The suit also seeks unspecified potential damages in the event of a takeover.

Investors recently have been less than pleased with the performance of the company's $650 million Florida theme park, where rides have broken down. Some believe MCA paid too much in its $550 million deal for Geffen Records this year.

MCA's acquisition several years ago of an interest in the Cineplex Odeon chain has not turned out well, largely because of the Canadian company's huge debt load.

MCA's earnings for the first six months of this year were $76.4 million on revenues of $1.86 billion, up from earnings of $69.3 million on revenues of $1.53 billion for the year-ago period.

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#90269u2696 09/26/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 26) UPI - German officials are planning a unification party, but fear it might be crashed. Police say they think riots by radical youths in Berlin on Sunday were a ''dress rehearsal'' for a major riot at the unification celebration next Wednesday. An announcement in a leftist West Berlin daily this week urged demonstrators to gather that night for a demonstration under the motto- ''Shut-up Germany.''

Next month, American film lovers will have a new rating to contend with- ''N-C-17.'' The Motion Picture Association of America today responded to criticism of its rating category by scrapping the ''X'' rating and leaving it for porn movies. The rating will be replaced with ''N-C-17''- meaning NO children under 17. The rating is designed for NON-pornographic adult-oriented movies.

A critically burned eight-year-old Soviet boy is hospitalized in Anchorage, Alaska, where doctors hope to stabilize him before a 10-hour plane trip to Galveston, Texas. Doctors say the medical evacuation is the first from the Soviet Far East to the United States. The child- who was injured while playing with gasoline near a fireplace last week- was flown to the United States because the closest Soviet burn center was farther away than American help.

Congress may be on the verge of authorizing new designs for U-S coins and picking up some extra revenue in the process. Legislation is pending to approve a new quarter commemorating the bicentennial of the Constitution. New tail sides for the half dollar, nickel, dime and penny would also be phased in. Officials say new coin designs would bring in as much as one-BILLION dollars for the U-S Treasury.

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EL SEGUNDO, CA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - International Rectifier Corp. (NYSE/PSE:IRF) Thursday announced the issuance on Sept. 25, 1990 of a U.S. patent that provides additional broad protection for its power MOSFET and IGBT power transistor technologies.

U.S. Patent 4,959,699 covers all cellular structures for power MOSFETs (Metal

Oxide Silicon Field Effect Transistors) and IGBTs (Insulated Gate Bipolar Transistors).

According to Dr. Alexander Lidow, president of IR's Electronic Products division, ''This one casts a long shadow, because we believe that virtually every power MOSFET and IGBT on the market uses the structure protected by this patent.''

IR's other major power MOSFET patents cover basic elements of device design, structure, and processing. International Rectifier has been granted more than 30 power MOSFET patents throughout the industrialized world, and additional patent applications are pending.

In April 1990, a Federal District Court in Los Angeles held five of IR's key power MOSFET patents valid and infringed by Siliconix Inc.

To date, five manufacturers have taken royalty-bearing licenses under the company's previously-issued power MOSFET patents: Hitachi, Toshiba, Matsushita, Siliconix, and Unitrode.

Introduced to the market in the late 1970s, IR's HEXFET (R) brand pioneered the commercial use of power MOSFETs and continues to lead that fast-growing market.

Penetration of the available $2 billion power transistor market by power MOSFETs is rising steadily, from 20 percent in June 1988 to 28 percent in June 1990, according to reported industry statistics.

Power MOSFETs are displacing bipolar power transistors and creating new applications in a wide range of motor control and power switching functions. Key market segments include industrial controls, computers/peripherals, automotive, aerospace/defense, telecommunications, appliances, and consumer electronics.

International Rectifier is a major worldwide supplier of power semiconductors and the international leader in power MOSFETs with its HEXFET line.

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HONG KONG (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - All Market Data Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of All Quotes Data Ltd. (VSE:AQD), is marketing a new financial information service in Hong Kong and has received an enthusiastic response from customers with orders nearing 100 units in just six weeks since the start of operations.

The company provides ''real-time'' stock, option and commodity trading information from the Hong Kong and North American exchanges. For a low monthly fee, an investor is provided with the computer hardware and program designed to access the data. The cost is 10 percent of the next lowest price service, and can be operated through a regular telephone line.

The All Market Data system is designed for individual investors who wish to have access to such information at home or office for their own personal use. All Market Data also sees hotels and clubs as potential users of the service and plans to expand to markets outside of Hong Kong in future.

The unit is able to access data from the following stock exchanges: Hong Kong, New York, Toronto, Vancouver, American, Montreal, Alberta, Pacific, Boston, Philadelphia and NASDAQ. Similarly, quotations can be accessed from the Chicago Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, Coffee Sugar & Cocoa Futures Exchange, Cotton Exchange and the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Supplementing the major exchanges, trading data from the Boston, Cincinnati, Midwest and Philadelphia exchanges is also provided.

All Market Data is a wholly owned subsidiary of All Quotes Data Ltd., a public company listed on the Vancouver Stock Exchange. AQD is owned (70 percent) and controlled by All Quotes Inc., a Delaware, U.S.A. public corporation quoted (OTC:ALQT).

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Seishichi Itoh, 55, has announced that he will resign as president, chief executive officer and a director of Union Bank at the bank's October 24 board meeting.

It is expected that Taisuke Shimizu, 54, vice chairman and chief financial officer, will be elected at the same meeting to replace him.

Itoh plans to return to Japan for reassignment with The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd., which owns 77 percent of Union Bank's stock.

Jiro Ishizaka, 62, will continue as Union Bank's chairman, a position to which he was elected in September 1989. He is based in Los Angeles.

Also at the October 24 board meeting, it is expected that Kanetaka Yoshida, 52 will be elected to replace Shimizu as vice chairman and chief financial officer. He was elected to the position of executive vice president at the

board meeting on September 26.

Itoh began his banking career with The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd., in 1957 following his graduation from Osaka University. He came to California in 1972 to serve with The Bank of Tokyo of California, San Francisco, coordinating its 1975 merger with Southern California First National Bank. The resulting institution was named California First Bank. He returned to the Bank of Tokyo in Japan in 1976 and subsequently rejoined California First in 1983 as executive vice president, chief financial officer and head of the administration group.

Itoh became president and chief executive officer in 1985. He was largely responsible for the 1988 acquisition of the former Union Bank, Los Angeles, by California First Bank and, for the past two years, has presided over the merger of the two banks into today's Union Bank.

Shimizu, who is currently also a director of Union Bank, was a key member of the management team that oversaw the acquisition and merger.

Shimizu joined The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd., in 1959. He served as deputy general manager of the systems and methods division from 1977 to 1979, deputy general manager of the Brussels office from 1980 to 1982 and general manager of the Brussels office from 1982 to 1984. He was general manager of the Europe and Africa division in 1984 and 1985.

Union Bank, headquartered in San Francisco, has 177 offices throughout the state and five overseas facilities. It is the state's fifth largest commercial bank with $16 billion in assets.

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DENVER (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Chemex Pharmaceuticals Inc. announced Thursday that its stockholders approved the sale of the company's proprietary product ACTINEX(R), a topical application of nordihydroguaiaretic acid (NDGA) for the treatment of actinic keratoses, to Block Drug Co. Inc. at its annual stockholders meeting on Sept. 26, 1990.

The sale transaction will provide up to a total $10 million to Chemex over the next three years. This cash infusion will allow the company to move forward with the development of other interesting compounds for which investigational new drug applications have been filed.

The agreement with Block Drug Co. also provides for the payment of royalties

on worldwide sales of Actinex after sales have reached a certain level.

At its meeting, Sept. 25, 1990, the board of directors elected Dr. Atul Khandwala executive vice president-research & development. During the past four years Khandwala has served the company in various research capacities.

Prior to joining Chemex he served on the faculty of the Yale University Department of Biochemistry and as the director of biochemistry at Revlon Health Care Group.

Chemex (NASDAQ:CHMX, temporarily trading under the symbol CHMXC) is an emerging pharmaceutical company engaged in the development of ethical drugs for the treatment of skin diseases and disorders.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - In order to better serve its large Spanish-speaking clientele, Pacific Western Bank Thursday announced it has become the first local community bank in the state to offer system-wide automated teller machines with instructions in Spanish.

The bank currently offers a Spanish option at 20 of its 39 existing machines, with the remainder to be added by November.

Pacific Western, which operates 28 locations in Santa Clara, Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties has Spanish-speaking employees at almost every office.

''We are pleased to be the leader in introducing this important new service,'' said Phillip R. Boyce, chairman and chief executive officer of Pacific Western Bank. ''Our Spanish-speaking customers will now be able to make deposits and withdrawals 24 hours a day, seven days a week.''

''Pacific Western's customers closely parallel the large Hispanic population throughout our three county area,'' said Boyce. ''In Monterey County, for example, Hispanics make up more than 31 percent of the total population.''

Headquartered in San Jose, Pacific Western Bank is one of two major independent banks in Northern California. With $1.3 billion in assets, Pacific Western Bank is a subsidiary of Pacific Western Bancshares Inc., a bank holding company also based in San Jose.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Santa Anita Companies, consisting of Santa Anita Realty Enterprises Inc. and Santa Anita Operating Co. (NYSE:SAR), Thursday announced that their boards of directors have amended the terms of The Companies' dividend reinvestment plan.

The amended terms will give The Companies latitude to direct purchase of shares on the open market for distribution to the plan's participants when it is in the best interest of The Companies and their shareholders to do so. Previously, the plan's needs were fulfilled solely with shares newly issued by The Companies.

Royce B. McKinley, chairman and chief executive officer of Santa Anita Realty, stated, ''The boards' action to amend the terms of the plan reflects the view that our shares represent an extremely attractive value at current reduced prices and that the share price is at an undesirable level at which to issue new shares.''

He noted that, in recent quarters, approximately 33,000 shares per quarter have been distributed to shareholders through the plan.

McKinley said plan participants will continue to receive a 5 percent discount from the current market price on shares purchased with reinvested dividends regardless of whether such purchases are made through issuance of new shares or through open-market purchase.

However, when shares are purchased on the open market in connection with either dividend reinvestments or optional cash payments for purchase of additional shares, participants will be charged brokerage commissions. McKinley noted that the charging of brokerage commissions on open-market purchases was made necessary by interpretations of the Internal Revenue Service applicable to real estate investment trusts.

The Santa Anita Companies comprise Santa Anita Realty Enterprises Inc. and Santa Anita Operating Co. The shares of the two Santa Anita companies trade on a ''paired'' basis on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SAR.

Santa Anita Realty Enterprises Inc., one of the nation's leading real estate investment trusts, owns the Santa Anita racetrack property, a 50 percent interest in the operation of Santa Anita Fashion Park and a 32.5 percent interest in Towson Town Center (major regional shopping centers), a number of neighborhood shopping centers and interests in an industrial park, three apartment projects and three office buildings.

Santa Anita Operating Co. conducts thoroughbred horse racing at Santa Anita Park through its subsidiary, the Los Angeles Turf Club Inc.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Bellwether Exploration Co. (NASDAQ:BELW) has reported earnings of $503,952 or 3 cents per share for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, a 21 percent increase over earnings of $416,121 or 2 cents per share for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

Revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 were $3,281,044 compared to revenues of $2,911,551 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

Bellwether also reported increases in its proved reserves at June 30, 1990:

	June 30,		
	1990	1989	Increase
Oil Reserves-Bbls	610,000	597,000	2 perc.
Gas Reserves-MCF	8,693,000	6,493,000	34 perc.
Present value of future net revenues based on SEC guidelines	$9,899,000	$9,218,000	7 perc.

The increases in earnings and revenues are primarily due to the acquisitions completed during fiscal 1989, the acquisitions completed in January and March 1990 and a 15 percent increase (up to $18.77 per barrel) in the company's average oil sales price during fiscal 1990.

The increases in reserves and present value were primarily the result of the recompletion in August 1990 of the Ledet No. 4 well in the Melodia Field, Lafourche Parish, La., one of the three producing gas wells acquired in March 1990 and the completion of the Steen Mixon No. 1, an exploratory well drilled on the Runge Prospect, Karnes County, Texas in June 1990.

The increase in present value was accomplished despite a 12 percent decrease (down to $17.15 per barrel) in the oil price which was used pursuant to SEC guidelines.

Bellwether Exploration Co., headquartered in Houston, is engaged in oil and gas exploration and development, and the acquisition of producing properties in the United States.

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RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA, CALIF. (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Airline passengers may soon be able to watch movies on a personal video screen directly in front of them, order in-flight merchandise with a credit card from shopping channels on their personal screen, and make telephone calls directly from their seats.

Additional features such as real-time stock market reports and up-to-the-minute news highlights, including the latest sports scores, will also be available -- delivered by satellite directly to aircraft in flight.

These, and other features, are part of a combined cabin communications and passenger entertainment system being proposed for two new jetliners.

Sony Trans Com Inc., Hughes Aircraft Company's microelectronic systems division and Avicom International, a Hughes subsidiary, have formed a team to provide a completely integrated cabin entertainment and communications network for the new Airbus A330 and A340 aircraft.

The Sony Trans Com-Hughes/Avicom team has submitted a proposal to Airbus Industrie, the European aircraft manufacturing consortium, to qualify as a supplier of the in-flight entertainment and information system. This will enable the airline customers of Airbus to specify this new cabin communications system for their A330 or A340 aircraft.

Under terms of the teaming agreement signed this month, Sony Trans Com and Hughes/Avicom are combining their respective capabilities in producing in-flight entertainment, cabin management and service systems with new interactive communications functions to offer passengers on the new Airbus aircraft a wide range of services not presently available.

In addition, the existing worldwide service network of the team members will be available to provide complete support for the new system.

Sony Trans Com has supplied state-of-the-art on-board video and audio systems and programming services for a majority of the world's airlines for the past 20 years. The firm recently introduced innovative rear-screen projection systems and flat-screen television for aircraft application.

Avicom International, which was acquired by Hughes earlier this year, has specialized in in-flight interactive cabin management, video and audio equipment and programming services for over 25 years. Hughes' microelectronic systems division has been a major supplier of passenger entertainment and service systems since the advent of the widebody jetliner more than two decades ago.

These systems, using complex multiplexing techniques, have been sold both to aircraft manufacturers and to airline operators worldwide.

Sony Trans Com, based in Irvine, Calif., is a subsidiary of Sony Corp. of America. Hughes Aircraft is a unit of GM Hughes Electronics.

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PALO ALTO, CA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Co. has signed a definitive agreement with the Ministry of Machinery and Electronics Industry (MMEI) in the People's Republic of China to jointly create and invest in Huapu Information Technology Co. Ltd. for the purpose of manufacturing workstations and developing software.

Financial terms of the agreement were not released.

Huapu will assemble and market HP's newest line of workstations, the HP Apollo 9000 Series 400, for the Chinese domestic market. In addition, it will develop software for use in computer-aided engineering and manufacturing for domestic and export markets. The company, to be based in Shanghai, is expected to begin operations by the end of the year.

Huapu, which is the only high-tech joint venture in China established to make workstations, is part of the government's long- range plan to develop the Chinese economy and to expand its computer industry. It is part of the Shanghai East-China Computer Corp., which is operated by MMEI.

The joint venture initially will employ 70 people -- all of them local -- about 40 of whom will work in software development. The remaining 30 will work in localization (adapting products to accommodate local languages), testing, assembly, installation and training.

Huapu is HP's second joint venture in China. The first, China Hewlett-Packard was established in 1984 when HP joined with China Electronics Import & Export Corp. to make analytical products, assemble HP 3000 minicomputers and operate a sales and service office. This operation employs about 350 people in Beijing, Shenzhen and Shanghai.

Shanghai East-China Computer Corp., established under MMEI in 1958, is a research institute that focuses on the research and development of large- and

medium-scale general-purpose computers, aerospace computers and special microcomputer systems, as well as computer software, networks and computer-aided design products. It has 1,400 employees and is regarded as the research base of computer science in South China.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

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WINTERSBURG, ARIZ. (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has proposed a $75,000 civil penalty against the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station for two apparent violations of NRC regulations.

The apparent violations stem from an NRC inspection and Palo Verde's assessment of the licensed operator medical examination program. Under that program, licensed operators are required to remain fully medically qualified for their duties, and to have a complete and documented medical examination biannually.

Palo Verde management notified the NRC of irregularities in the program in July, and a subsequent NRC inspection was conducted during July and August.

According to the NRC, the apparent violations involved ''(1) a failure to notify the NRC regarding licensed operators who had developed potentially incapacitating medical conditions; and (2) inaccurate certification to the NRC that candidates for operator licenses had received complete medical examinations.'' The apparent violations occurred between May 1987 and August 1990.

Palo Verde management, however, maintains that safe operation of the plant was not affected by the failure to meet these administrative requirements.

The NRC notice of violation also stated that Palo Verde management has since ''defined and implemented a medical records control program, which should provide a comprehensive system to effectively manage medical records for licensed operators'' in the future. However, the NRC stated that an independent, comprehensive review of the program should be conducted. A date for that review will be established in the near future.

Palo Verde management is studying the NRC notice of violation and has 30 days in which to respond.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Oryx Energy Co. Thursday announced the sale of two of its producing fields to Union Pacific Resources Co. for approximately $109 million.

''This is part of our strategy to divest certain oil and gas properties and use the net proceeds for repayments on our debt. This sale should generate net proceeds of $74 million that will be applied to the debt and an after-tax gain of $45 million,'' said James E. McCormick, president and chief operating officer of Oryx Energy.

Oryx Energy will sell its interest in the Carthage Field in East Texas and the Echo Springs Field in Wyoming. Year-to-date through August, the two fields have combined daily production of more than 20 million cubic feet of gas and 300 barrels of liquids. About 2 percent of Oryx Energy's proved reserves are involved in the sale. Closing is scheduled for mid-to-late October.

Dallas-based Oryx Energy Co. is the largest independent oil and gas company in the world, with assets in excess of $5 billion and proved reserves of more than one billion equivalent barrels. Oryx Energy conducts its domestic operations through Sun Energy Partners, L.P., of which it is the managing general partner and 98-percent owner. Oryx Energy trades on the New York Stock Exchange with the symbol ''ORX'' and the partnership with the symbol ''SLP.''

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Gensia Pharmaceuticals Inc. Thursday announced that Dr. David A. Shapiro has joined the company as vice president, clinical research, reporting to Dr. Walter Singleton, vice president of medical and pharmaceutical development.

Shapiro will be involved in directing, planning and executing Gensia's clinical research programs, said David F. Hale, president and chief executive officer.

Prior to joining Gensia, Shapiro was a director of clinical research for Merck Sharpe & Dohme Research Laboratories in Blue Bell, Pa. He was responsible for managing cardiovascular clinical research programs and led the hypertension clinical research group.

Shapiro served as project leader on the development of felodipine, a calcium antagonist that is pending FDA approval; he has worked extensively with several other cardiovascular compounds in clinical development; and has managed later-stage clinical support for VASOTEC and PRINVIL, angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors marketed by Merck.

''Dr. Shapiro's experience in managing and overseeing clinical research and development programs for cardiovascular drugs will be a tremendous asset to Gensia,'' Hale said. ''He will play an important role as Gensia continues the clinical development of Arasine and the ESA system.''

Gensia is currently in Phase 2 clinical trials in the United States and Europe with Arasine, a drug that shows promise in reducing tissue damage from ischemia, which is associated with coronary artery disease and with certain surgical procedures such as coronary artery bypass graft surgery.

The ESA System, which is also in Phase 2 clinical trials, combines a novel drug (arbutamine) and computer-controlled delivery system designed to aid in the diagnosis and evaluation of coronary artery disease.

Shapiro was awarded his M.B., ChB in medicine/surgery from Dundee University and Medical School in Scotland and underwent further training in Oxford, England, at the University hospitals before taking a position in the Department of Medicine at the University of Vermont in pulmonary medicine. His research activities in Vermont were, in large part, funded by the American Heart Association.

He is a member of the American Society of Hypertension, the American Society for the Advancement of Science, the American Thoracic Society, the British Medical Association and is a collegiate and professional member of the Royal College of Physicians of London.

Gensia is a San Diego-based biopharmaceutical company formed to discover, develop, manufacture and market novel pharmaceutical products for the treatment and diagnosis of human diseases.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The price of FMC Corp. stock dropped Thursday following an announcement of management's anticipation of a less optimistic outlook for 1990.

FMC began purchasing its own stock on the open market.

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FREMONT, Calif.-(BUSINESS WIRE)-Sensor Control Corp. (NASDAQ: SNCO) reported a loss of $3,680,700 for the year ended June 30, 1990. The loss was due primarily to the write-off of goodwill of $3,128,700 and the previously announced write-off of the investment in and loan to Presto-Tek Corp., as well as to additional accruals, aggregating $1,433,700.

In fiscal year 1990, sales were $6,938,300 compared to $4,695,600 in fiscal year 1989. Earnings in 1989 totaled $531,200 verses the loss in 1990 of $3,680,700. Excluding the Presto-Tek and goodwill write-offs, earnings before tax totaled $411,800 in 1990 verses $731,200 in 1989.

James B. Hawkins, president and chief executive officer of Sensor Control said: "The decision to write-down goodwill was based upon the lower than expected performance of the companies operating subsidiaries and our perception of business conditions in our target markets."

Sensor Control Corp. is comprised of five companies focused on the design, manufacture, and marketing of sensor instrumentation for the industrial and health/safety markets.

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WALNUT CREEK, CA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Air Liquide America, a major manufacturer and distributor of industrial, medical, specialty and carbon dioxide gases, announces it will implement a surcharge on all delivered products due to the recent increase in oil prices and its impact on distribution costs.

This surcharge will be implemented by all divisions of Air Liquide America which include Big Three Merchant Gases, Liquid Air Corp. Merchant Gases,

Cardox, Alphagaz and Liquid Air Compressed Gases.

This surcharge, effective immediately, will be $7 per delivery, per 50 mile increment, from the delivery sources for all bulk products. Compressed cylinder gas products will also be affected and the surcharge will reflect the additional cost increases. The surcharge on compressed cylinder gases will be $2.50 per delivery for all deliveries within a 50-mile radius of the supplying location.

Air Liquide America said it anticipates further increases on all industrial gas products before year end.

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LOUISVILLE, COLO. (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - StorageTek announced Thursday that its board of directors has approved the repurchase of up to $10 million (market value) of the company's convertible subordinated debentures due 2015.

Actual purchases will occur from time to time subject to market conditions.

The company said that it believes the current price of the debentures represents an attractive value. The company will also experience some reduction in outstanding debt and interest savings.

Storage Technology Corp. manufactures, markets and services, worldwide, information storage and retrieval subsystems for high-performance computers.

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxwell Laboratories Inc. (OTC:MXWL) announced record operating results for the fiscal year ended July 31.

Sales for the year were $83,961,000, a 17 percent increase over the $17,768,000 of last year. Net income for the fiscal year was $3,856,000, or $1.60 per share, compared with $3,557,000, or $1.43 per share, in the prior year, a per share earnings increase of 12 percent.

The increase in earnings is attributable to increased sales in both the commercial and technology program areas of the business.

Total backlog at July 31 was $100.9 million, of which $45.9 million was fully funded. This compares with total backlog at July 31, 1989, of $118.2 million, with $58.2 million being fully funded. Fiscal year 1989 was a year of record bookings, which included three major multiyear contract awards.

San Diego-based Maxwell Laboratories Inc. designs, develops and manufactures pulse power equipment and performs research and computer-based analysis for defense, energy, industrial and environmental markets.

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FREMONT, CALIF. (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - SyQest Technology, the industry's leading supplier of removable-cartridge Winchester disk drives, has filed suit against Microtech International Inc., East Haven, Conn., for non-payment of approximately $850,000.

SyQuest ceased shipment to Microtech effective Sept. 1.

The suit covers non-payment for SyQuest 44-Mbyte 5 1/4-inch cartridge drives and cartridges supplied to Microtech for use in data storage subsystems supplied by Microtech to the Macintosh marketplace.

The suit additionally seeks return of all SyQuest products currently in the hands of Microtech. Additionally, SyQuest is seeking damages for false and misleading statements made by Microtech.

''This suit was initiated very reluctantly,'' said SyQuest vice president of marketing, Joel Levine. ''We have tried over a period of many months to settle the payment issue with Microtech, but we have not been able to reach a satisfactory payment arrangement with them. At this point, we feel that legal action is our only recourse.''

Microtech is only one of a number of integrators that use SyQuest Winchester disk cartridge drives in data storage subsystems sold into the Apple Macintosh market.

''These drives are readily available and have become widely accepted in this marketplace,'' Levine said. ''They have become the de facto standard for this class of data storage device, and this year alone we will ship over 150,000 of these drives and will provide users with more than 700,000 data cartridges.''

SyQuest will continue to honor all warranties for its products sold through Microtech.

SyQuest was founded in 1982 to build removable cartridge disk drives based on Winchester technology. The drives are extensively used in personal computers small-business systems and workstations, and to date, approximately 450,000 have been shipped.

The company has also shipped 1.7 million cartridges. SyQuest maintains production and administrative facilities in Fremont, Calif., and manufactures drives in Singapore. The company also has advanced engineering facilities in Colorado.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Kubota Pacific Computer Inc. (KPC) Thursday announced that its manufacturing facility is now fully operational.

The 55,000 square foot facility, located at 2630 Walsh Avenue in Santa Clara, will manufacture graphic supercomputer products for Kubota's strategic partner Stardent Computer Inc., and begin to ship products to customers by the end of September. Kubota Pacific will continue the development of several products based on Stardent's existing technology.

The new company was formed in July after Stardent announced the closing of its manufacturing facility in Sunnyvale. More than 90 former Stardent employees, including engineering, manufacturing and administrative personnel, have joined KPC. The company expects to hire an additional 50-100 engineers and manufacturing personnel within the next several weeks.

KPC will handle the final assembly and testing for all Stardent products, operations previously accomplished by Stardent in Sunnyvale. In addition, KPC will support the development and porting of third-party software for Stardent products, as well as R&D activities to enhance and support current Stardent products. KPC also will develop new products and technologies.

Kubota Pacific also announced the finalization of new agreements between Kubota and Stardent that cover financial, technology and distribution arrangements as well as manufacturing. The agreements, which reflect Stardent's product and operating plans through 1991, will provide in excess of $50 million in additional financing to Stardent by Kubota over the next two years, subject to Stardent's achievement of certain operating benchmarks.

Kubota Corp., established in Osaka, Japan, in 1890, in a global enterprise

with more than 2,000 products, ranging from tractors, pipes and housing materials to sophisticated electronics equipment, sold in more than 130 countries. Kubota's strategic investments in several high technology companies in the United States include MIPS Computer Systems, Exabyte, Akashic Memories and Mycogen.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Teradata Corp. (NASDAQ:TDAT), the leading manufacturer of high-performance relational database computer systems, Thursday announced it anticipates a loss on lower-than- expected revenues for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

''Following the European summer holiday period, demand in our two principal European markets -- England and Germany -- has not returned to previous levels as quickly as we expected,'' said Kenneth W. Simonds, Teradata's chairman and chief executive officer. ''In particular, one of our largest European customers is undergoing a reorganization that has resulted in the postponement of expected revenues.

''At the same time, while U.S. demand continues strong in most of our markets, we have experienced lower-than-expected ordering among our Banking customers, particularly in the Northeast. In addition, while we do not believe the new IBM products announced in the last month pose any significant new competitive challenges, some of our customers may have deferred ordering while they analyse those announcements. As a result, we believe our consolidated revenues for the September quarter will be in the $50 million range, and we will record a loss per share of approximately 40 - 50 cents.''

Simonds continued, ''As usual, most of our business is occurring at the end of the quarter. During the summer quarter, we have a low level of visibility on the quarter's business until the end of the quarter. While we had identified enough business to meet our expectations, the order closure rate we normally see at the end of the quarter has failed to materialize.

''We are taking a number of actions to significantly reduce planned operating expense levels in anticipation of lower-than-expected revenue growth for the full fiscal year. Some of these actions will result in a modest restructuring charge that will be included in the first quarter results.

''We intend these actions to reduce our operating expense levels sufficiently to provide year-over-year earnings growth in fiscal 1991. Based on our

assessment of the current economic situation and demand outlook, we believe we can achieve such growth.

''In conclusion,'' said Simonds, ''while these factors have influenced the short-term picture, the fundamental soundness of our business has not changed, and we believe strongly in our ability to continue our successful growth. The actions we are taking will help us continue to achieve that success.'' Los Angeles-based Teradata designs, manufactures and markets high-performance systems and related products and services for relational database management.

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WOODLAND HILLS, CA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - New Image Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:NIIS) Thursday announced it plans to implement in the near future a stock repurchase program whereby up to 500,000 shares of its common stock may be purchased from time to time in the open market or negotiated transactions.

New Image's decision to purchase shares and the number of shares will depend upon price, market conditions and other factors. New Image currently has 4,074,444 shares of common stock outstanding.

Robert Gurevitch, president, said, ''Our board of directors and management believe that an investment in our stock would be beneficial to New Image and its stockholders.''

Shares repurchased will be retired.

The repurchase program is not intended to cause the common stock to cease to be authorized for quotation on the NASDAQ System.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Argonaut Group Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:AGII) Thursday announced that 19,095 shares of its common stock were acquired at $71 per share in response to its offer to purchase shares of its common stock from shareholders who, as of Aug. 9, owned 50 or fewer shares of Argonaut Group Inc. common stock.

Argonaut Group also announced the extension of this offer. Details of the

extension were mailed on Sept. 26 to eligible shareholders and allows them to sell their eligible shares without being charged any brokerage commission.

Shareholders who elect to participate in this offer must sell all of the eligible shares they own. Partial tenders will not be accepted and there are no withdrawal rights. Participating shareholders will be paid the highest of the closing prices during the period from Sept. 26 to Oct. 25, as reported in The Wall Street Journal.

Many shareholders received their shares in 1986 when Teledyne Inc. spun-off Argonaut Group Inc. to the shareholders of Teledyne Inc. Argonaut Group Inc. is making the offer primarily to provide its smaller shareholders the opportunity to sell their Argonaut shares without incurring any brokerage costs.

Also, this offer will enable Argonaut Group Inc. to reduce its administrative costs associated with servicing their small shareholder accounts.

The manager of the offer, Shareholder Communications Corporation, and Argonaut Group Inc., make no recommendation as to whether or not shareholders should participate in the offer.

Argonaut Group Inc. is a holding company whose subsidiaries are engaged primarily in the selling, underwriting and servicing of workers compensation and other lines of property-casualty insurance.

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BOCA RATON, FL (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Arvida Co. announced the formation of a new division and two major promotions Thursday.

Effective Oct. 1, a new Special Projects Division will be formed and headed by Don DeCastro, according to Ernest ''Bud'' Miller, president of the national real estate development firm.

As president of the new division, DeCastro will immediately assume responsibilities for all commercial activities in the company. Additionally, effective Nov. 15, the complete operations of Arvida's Sarasota projects will be added to this new division.

DeCastro will also remain in his current role as chief financial officer until Nov. 15, according to Miller.

On Nov. 15, Vince Donahue will take DeCastro's position as Arvida's chief

financial officer. In his new role, Donahue will have responsibility for financial planning and control, treasury and information systems.

''These moves allow us to make optimal use of Don's and Vince's expertise,'' said Miller.

Arvida, founded in 1958, is a developer of premier resort, residential, and business communities nationwide. Arvida has created more than 50 master-planned communities in Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and Texas.

DeCastro received his bachelor's degree in accounting finance from Florida State University. He was employed with the accounting firm of Deloitte Haskins & Sells for more than 10 years, becoming a partner in 1985.

DeCastro joined Arvida in 1986 as the corporate controller. After becoming the vice president of financial planning and control in June 1987, he was then promoted to vice president and chief financial officer in January 1989.

Donahue has been employed with Arvida for more than 10 years, most of which was involved in managing Arvida's treasury operations. In early 1989 he was promoted to vice president of acquisitions.

Prior to joining Arvida, Donahue was a financial analyst at Ford Motor Co. in Dearborn, Mich. While at Ford Motor Co., he held various positions in the treasurer's and controller's offices. He received a bachelor's degree in economics from the College of Holy Cross in Worcester, Mass., and a master's degree in finance from Columbia University School of Business.

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CUPERTINO, CA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer, Inc. announced that its board of directors has approved the repurchase of up to an additional 10 million shares of its common stock in the open market from time to time.

Since July 1986, Apple has repurchased approximately 30 million shares of common stock.

''We believe that an investment in shares of our company at current market prices represents an attractive opportunity for Apple,'' said John Sculley, Apple's chairman and chief executive officer.

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RANCHO CORDOVA Calif. (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Insta Cool Inc. of North America (NASDAQ:KOOL), manufacturers of ultra-rapid freezing equipment for the freezing of human blood plasma, Thursday reported flat fourth- quarter sales and a decrease in annual sales.

Sales for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $387,000 as compared with $389,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1989. In addition, the net loss widened to 3 cents per share for the 1990 quarter as compared with 1 cent per share for the 1989 quarter, according to the company.

The rise in the loss per share was primarily attributable to the increase in interest expense related to the recent issuance of $1,095,000 of convertible notes, and to higher costs for marketing and research and development for new markets and products, said Philip Coelho, chief executive officer of the company.

Annual sales for the year ended June 30, 1990 slid to $1,059,000 from $1.23 million for the year ended June 30, 1989, and the net loss widened to 7 cents per share as compared with 5 cents per share, respectively.

INSTA COOL INC. OF NORTH AMERICA - Condensed Statements of Operations

	Three Months Ended June 30, (Unaudited)		Year Ended June 30, (Audited)	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$387,229	$388,529	$1,059,368	$1,229,755
Cost of Sales	223,565	200,053	600,506	597,841
Gross Profit	163,664	188,476	458,862	631,914
Expenses: General and administrative expense	98,838	98,631	435,444	488,718
Marketing expense	139,544	36,404	361,075	192,220
Research and development expense	118,858	50,267	319,155	324,648
Royalty expense	21,250	21,250	85,000	85,000
Interest expense (income) net	73,856	2,017	65,699	1,407
Total expenses	452,346	208,569	1,266,373	1,091,993
Net loss	$288,682	$ 20,093	$ 807,511	$ 460,079
Net loss per common share	3 cents	1 cent	7 cents	5 cents

Shares used in computing net loss per common share	12,454,000	9,706,000	11,913,000	9,671,000

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MILPITAS, CA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Xicor Thursday reported results for the 12-week third quarter which ended on Sept. 9, 1990.

Revenues for the 12-week third quarter of 1990 were $22,545,000, compared with $21,223,000, for the third quarter of 1989. During the third quarter of 1990, Xicor incurred a loss of $1,833,000 (10 cents per share), compared with net income of $863,000 (5 cents per share) for the comparable quarter of 1989.

For the 36-week period of 1990, Xicor's revenues were $62,717,000, with a loss of $13,589,000 (76 cents per share) compared with revenues of $65,171,000, and net income of $6,049,000 (33 cents per share) for the comparable period of 1989.

The results for the third quarter and 36-week period ended Sept. 9, 1990 include the receipt of insurance proceeds of $950,000 from a business interruption claim resulting from the failure of an electric transformer at Xicor's fabrication plant during the fourth quarter of 1989.

According to Raphael Klein, president, ''The results of the third quarter represent an increase of 10 percent in revenues and a reduction of 42 percent in the loss (excludig the insurance proceeds) compared with the second quarter of 1990.

''The reduction in the loss is principally due to continuing improvements in yields and productivity and increased utilization of the factory during the third quarter of 1990.

''Aided by the successful ramp-up of assembly and test operations at Xicor's contractor in Taiwan, unit shipments reached a record high during the third quarter. During the third quarter we continued to invest heavily in research and development.

''While design activity at our customers for use of our products is at an all-time high, bookings of customer orders were sluggish during the summer months.

''Since our production has operated efficently during the third quarter at a level significantly above our shipment level, we have been able to build a very strong finished goods inventory position and are now able to respond

quickly to the short delivery times required by today's market.

''To slow down inventory build-up and reduce costs, in mid-August we temporarily reduced and/or suspended hiring, salary increases, overtime and non-critical expenditures and instituted a partial shutdown during the two weeks which ended Sept. 16.

''During the last several month, we also analyzed our manufacturing and engineering operations with the goal to improve them through a more efficient organization and shorter communication channels. As a result, on Sept. 17, 1990, we put in effect a much stronger manufacturing and engineering structure.

''In wafer fab, since our new 6-inch line is proceeding past the infancy stage and is generating initial limited revenue from 512K and 1 Megabit EEPROMs, we have consolidated the management, manufacturing operations and engineering of the 4-inch and 6-inch lines.

''This is the first step toward the gradual conversion over several years of the whole wafer fab to a 6-inch operation. We have also consolidated the product, reliability and quality engineering functions to place full responsibility in one group with a combined higher level of expertise.

''As a result of this reorganization, and by eliminating non-essential positions, the company has reduced its workforce by 36 people. Until we see substantial improvements in bookings, we will temporarily reduce work hours for a large portion of the workforce by up to 25 percent in order to reduce inventory build-up and to match expenses with revenues.

''One the basis of expected signficant bookings and resultant sales growth, we had previously anticipated regaining profitability during the latter part of 1990. Because of the slowdown in the world economy, the expected strenghthening of orders after the usual slow summer period may not materialize this fall.

''Unless bookings for quick turn deliveries increase significantly in the near future, we will not be able to attain profitability in 1990. Although we will decrease operating costs, the reduced operations level will not be sufficient to cover all fixed costs, principally depreciation expense.''

Klein concluded: ''Overall the company is well positioned to grow further as market demand picks up.''

Xicor, a semiconductor manufacutrer, is the leading supplier of proprietary devices which retain their information content without power yet can be easily reprogrammed in the system.

These advanced products, based on a technology called ''full-featured EEPROM '' enable customers to manufacture systems with reduced service costs,

improved readiness, automatic self-calibration capability and simpler end-user customization.

Xicor products are now widely accepted in all the traditional markets which use semiconductors: computers and peripherals, consumer products, telecommunications, industrial controls, the military and transportation. Xicor's customer base encompasses many of the top-tier electronics companies in the United States, Europe and the Far East.

Xicor offers its customers the most complete EEPROM capabilities in the industry: products with high quality and reliability, a wide range of densities, interfaces and package configurations, proven wafer fabrication and product testing, advanced CMOS and NMOS technologies with a clear path to the future and highly competent on-site technical customer support.

Xicor Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

	12 weeks ended		36 weeks ended	
	Sept. 9, 1990	Sept. 10, 1989	Sept. 9, 1990	Sept. 10, 1989
Net sales	$ 22,545,000	$ 21,223,000	$ 62,717,000	$ 65,171,000
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of sales	14,767,000	14,254,000	49,289,000	40,456,000
Research and development	5,094,000	2,776,000	14,640,000	8,237,000
Selling, general and administrative	4,658,000	3,991,000	13,249,000	12,135,000
	24,519,000	21,021,000	77,178,000	60,828,000
Income (loss) from operations	(1,974,000)	202,000	(14,461,000)	4,343,000
Interest expense	(162,000)	(145,000)	(359,000)	(525,000)
Interest income	303,000	941,000	1,231,000	3,175,000
Income (loss) before income taxes	(1,833,000)	998,000	(13,589,000)	6,993,000
Provision for income taxes		135,000		944,000
Net income (loss)	$(1,833,000)	$ 863,000	$(13,589,000)	$ 6,049,000
Net income (loss) per common share	(10 cents)	5 cents	(76 cents)	33 cents
Average common shares and equivalents	17,988,000	18,161,000	17,988,000	18,271,000

Note to Editors: Cost of sales for the 12 weeks and 36 weeks ended Sept. 9, 1990 includes the receipt of insurance proceeds of $950,000.

Xicor Inc.

Consolidated Balance Sheets

ASSETS

	Sept. 9 1990 (Unaudited)	Dec. 31 1989
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 9,992,000	$ 15,560,000
Short-term investments	6,256,000	15,103,000
Accounts receivable	12,751,000	11,399,000
Inventories	20,792,000	17,131,000
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	2,104,000	1,574,000
Total current assets	51,895,000	60,767,000
Property, plant and equipment, at cost less accumulated depreciation	61,340,000	60,361,000
Other assets	617,000	1,430,000
	$ 113,852,000	$ 122,558,000

LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	$ 9,624,000	$ 10,481,000
Accrued expenses	7,308,000	6,453,000
Deferred income on shipments to distributors	5,816,000	3,905,000
Current portion of obligations under capital leases	1,731,000	1,349,000
Total current liabilities	24,479,000	22,188,000
Long-term obligations under capital leases	4,607,000	2,015,000
Deferred income taxes	307,000	307,000
Shareholders' equity:		
Preferred stock; 5 million shares authorized		
Common stock; 75 million shares authorized; 17,987,552 shares outstanding	120,766,000	120,766,000
Accumulated deficit	(36,307,000)	(22,718,000)
	84,459,000	98,048,000
	$ 113,852,000	$ 122,558,000

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SAN DIEGO (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint and IBM Corp. Thursday successfully completed a joint demonstration showcasing US Sprint's capability to provide 384 kbps transmission over its all-digital, fiber-optic network.

The demonstration reinforced US Sprint's overall ISDN strategy -- working with third-party vendors in designing and supporting new ISDN applications and services.

In the demonstration, the IBM AS/400 (tm) ISDN Access provided the capability to communicate with a remotely located IBM AS/400 in Rochester, Minn., and US Sprint's ISDN Primary Rate Service.

AS/400 applications have the ability to control ISDN voice calls using IBM's new CallPath (tm) Services Architecture available with the CallPath/400 (tm) Licensed Program Product. In addition the AS/400 also can collect network problem determination data, and generate call detail information for accounting purposes. ISDN access allows current IBM Token Ring LAN applications to communicate using ISDN to remotely connected token rings.

The AS/400 product -- combined with the IRX9000 (tm) ISDN Resource Exchange Switch supplied by Teleos Communications, Inc., based in Eatontown, N.J. -- provides a fully integrated, advanced-application platform permitting AS/400 customers to access services using ISDN functionality.

''This demonstration not only highlights the high-quality transmission capability of US Sprint's network, but also the direction of application development using ISDN services,'' said Gerry Canavan, US Sprint's director of enabling technologies.

The demonstration was conducted at the Tele-Communications Association Trade Show which was held this week in San Diego.

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US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City, Mo.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Kushner-Locke Company Inc. (NASDAQ:KLOC) announced Thursday that it intends to offer $10 million

principal amount of its convertible subordinated debentures through a public offering of two series of debentures having varying interest rates and conversion prices.

The company intends to file a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the offerings in October. The net proceeds of the offerings are expected to be used for general corporate purposes, including expansion of the company's television production activities.

Founded in 1983, The Kushner-Locke Company is an independent television production company engaged in developing and producing television series, pilots, movies for television, mini-series and animated programming.

This media release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction. Any such offering will be made only by means of a prospectus.

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FREMONT, CALIF. (SETP. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - SatisFAXtion, a newly announced PC-based multifunction fax board by Intel's Personal Computer Enhancement Operation (PCEO), featuring direct faxing from any application that can print, will offer the Intel Hand Scanner, a Logitech-designed and manufactured hand-held scanner, as an optional add-on available for $399.

With support for 256 gray levels and custom-designed analog and digital microprocessor chips, the Logitech product brings high-end capability to the hand-held scanning environment.

''We're very excited about the potential of the Intel product, and about our OEM relationship with Intel,'' said Logitech president, Pierluigi Zappacosta. ''Increasingly, users need to communicate with both images and text.

''The Hand Scanner will streamline this process while producing excellent quality. Through their cooperative efforts, Logitech and Intel have brought powerful technology within the reach of every user.''

Over the past few years, Logitech has emerged as a market leader in hand-held scanners and currently holds the largest share of the domestic market. The company is very active in promoting hand-held scanning standards among hardware and software vendors, with the goal of growing the market overall.

In July, Logitech and The Complete PC announced a hand-held scanner application program interface (SAPI), slated to ship in early October. The Intel Hand Scanner and SatisFAXtion products will support SAPI, which has already been accepted by several additional manufacturers and software developers.

Based in Fremont, Logitech designs, manufactures, and markets desktop tools -- a product category that includes input and pointing devices, and stand-alone software applications. With manufacturing facilities in Fremont; Cork, Ireland; and Hsinchu, Taiwan; the company is an international market leader in input technology.

Intel PCEO, a division of Intel's Systems Group, develops and manufactures a broad line of PC fax and modem products, as well as the NetPort print server, AboveBoard memory boards, Inboard accelerator boards and math coprocessors. Intel Corp. is an international manufacturer of microcomputer components, modules, and systems.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Computer Systems Inc. (OTC:ASKI) announced Thursday that a lawsuit has been filed in Delaware by James P. Lennane, a holder of approximately 9.7 percent of the outstanding stock of ASK, against ASK and its board of directors.

The suit seeks to enjoin the proposed sale of $60 million of ASK common stock to EDS Corp. and the Hewlett-Packard Co. until the proposed sale of stock is submitted to and approved by ASK's stockholders. The complaint alleges that consummation of such sale without stockholder approval would be a violation of NASD rules applicable to issuers of National Market System securities and, as a result, a breach of fiduciary and contractual duties.

ASK stated that it believes that this NASD rule is not applicable to the proposed equity transaction; and, in any event, ASK does not believe it has any obligation to maintain its stock as a National Market system security.

Accordingly, ASK indicated that it intends to vigorously defend the lawsuit and proceed with closing the proposed sale of stock to EDS and HP as planned, as well as the previously announced acquisition of Ingres Corp. for $110 million in cash.

Lennane also stated in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission

that he had filed preliminary proxy materials to be in a position to seek to obtain control of ASK's board of directors through solicitation of proxies for the company's 1990 annual meeting of stockholders scheduled for Oct. 26.

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CUPERTINO, CA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer, Inc. Wednesday announced it has reached a major milestone in the development of its System 7.0.

Apple will begin initial shipments of beta-quality versions of System 7.0, the next version of Macintosh computer system software, to Macintosh third-party developers in October.

Apple will hold the beta cycle open to solicit thorough developer feedback and to allow them to begin developing applications to assure a wide array of System 7.0 applications for customers when the new version of system software ships.

To meet Apple's exacting quality standards, they have revised estimates for customer shipments of System 7.0 from the end of 1990, to the first half of calendar 1991. ''Our commitment is to produce the highest quality system software for our developers and customers,'' said Roger Heinen, vice president of software engineering. ''Apple's internal standards for software testing are extremely rigorous, and with the additional feedback from our developers we are confident System 7.0 will shatter traditional notions of what personal computers can do.''

System software controls the way the computer works and provides a foundation for applications software such as word processing and spreadsheets. Macintosh system software is best known for producing the distinctive graphical user interface that set standards for all computing environments. System 7.0 represents the most significant enrichment to the Macintosh since its inception in 1984.

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PRINCETON, NJ (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Church & Dwight Co., Inc. (NYSE:CHD) announced Thursday that the Board of Directors approved a resolution to redeem 50 percent of the $40 million, 6-1/2 percent convertible subordinated debentures due April 1, 2011.

The bonds to be redeemed will be selected by the Trustee, Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company. Notice of redemption will be sent to bondholders within the next 30 - 60 days.

Church & Dwight Co., Inc. is the manufacturer of ARM & HAMMER (R) Consumer and Industrial products.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Vencor Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:VCOR) Thursday announced that it has received regulatory approval to purchase Lindell Hospital in St. Louis.

Closing of the acquisition is expected within the next several weeks. The hospital, to be renamed Vencor Hospital St. Louis, will be operated as a 60-bed facility specializing in providing long-term hospital care to patients suffering from catastrophic illnesses.

W. Bruce Lunsford, chief executive officer, said that the extensive remodeling planned for the newly acquired hospital would begin immediately.

He remarked, ''The purchase and renovation planned for Vencor Hospital St. Louis will represent a total investment of approximately $3.5 million. We expect to start operating the hospital during the second quarter of next year.''

Lunsford noted that this is the fourth hospital which Vencor has acquired during 1990. He said, ''This not only represents our twelfth hospital but also marks our entry into a ninth state. The addition of Vencor Hospital St. Louis will bring the total number of licensed beds in our system to 780, up 85 percent since the start of 1990.

Vencor specializes in providing long-term hospital care for patients who suffer from catastrophic illness. The company will now have 12 hospitals located in Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Missouri and Texas. Vencor's common shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol VCOR.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Equifax Inc. (NYSE:EFX) and Telecredit Inc. (NASDAQ:TCRD) jointly announced that Equifax has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the offering of its common stock to be issued to shareholders of Telecredit if the previously announced merger agreement under which Telecredit will be acquired by Equifax is approved by the shareholders of both companies and other conditions of the agreement are satisfied.

The registration statement contains the definitive joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus and other Proxy materials of Equifax and Telecredit to be used at their respective shareholder meetings which have been called to consider and vote upon the merger agreement. The joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus and other Proxy materials will first be mailed to shareholders of Equifax and Telecredit on or about Sept. 28, 1990.

Equifax is the leading provider of information services and systems for consumer financial transactions throughout the United States and Canada.

Telecredit provides check authorization, credit card processing and other payment services to retail merchants, financial institutions and others.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - VIVRA Inc. Thursday announced that it earned $2,474,000 or $.35 per share on revenues of $29,000,000 for the third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares to earnings of $2,607,000 or $.37 per share, on revenues of $23,530,000 for the third quarter of the prior year.

For the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, VIVRA earned $7,227,000 or $1.03 per share on revenues of $84,160,000. This compares to earnings of $7,422,000 or $1.06 per share, on revenues of $68,640,000 for the first nine months of the

prior year.

The following summarizes the consolidated, unaudited financial results:

	Three Months Ended Aug. 31		Nine Months Ended Aug. 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$29,000,000	$23,530,000	$84,160,000	$68,640,000
Net Earnings	$ 2,474,000	$ 2,607,000	$ 7,227,000	$ 7,422,000
Average Shares Outstanding/a	7,023,000	7,023,000	7,023,000	7,023,000
Earnings per Share/a	$.35	$.37	$1.03	$1.06

(a) Adjusted to reflect three-for-two stock split payable Aug. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record Aug. 3, 1990.

VIVRA is a healthcare service company which owns and operates dialysis centers throughout the United States and a home health care business in California. Its stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange, symbol V.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Stuart Hall Company, Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol: STUH) Thursday announced record sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended August 31, 1990. The company noted that earnings for the latest third quarter increased 52 percent on a 28 percent sales gain (Table follows).

Stuart Hall Company also announced today that it anticipates that the demand for the Company's products could exceed its earlier forecast of $156 million for fiscal 1991.

The Company further said it will add production capacity to support an $80 million increase in sales volume by December 1990 and that it will introduce a broad line of office supply, school supply, and writing paper products made from 100 percent recycled paper within the next 30 to 45 days.

Commenting on these developments, Stuart Hall Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Charles Hanson, stated, "The new record sales and earnings achieved during the latest third quarter and nine months resulted from growing demand across the full range of our office supply, writing paper and school supply product lines and were achieved in spite of some of the most drastic discounting we have ever encountered in the industry. Both sales and earnings

were adversely impacted by the extent of this negative competitive environment.

"Based on the gratifying results we were still successful in generating, the current favorable trends in demand, and the production capacity expansion that we have under way, we are optimistic that we could well surpass our earlier forecast of record sales of $123 million for the current fiscal year," Mr. Hanson concluded.

STUART HALL COMPANY, INC. OPERATING RESULTS (Unaudited)

Nine Months Ended Aug. 31:	1990	1989
Gross sales	$98,237,816	$80,365,828
Net sales	89,151,879	72,651,513
Earnings before taxes (a)	4,320,092	3,402,325
Net earnings	$ 2,574,681	$ 2,037,986
Earnings per common and common equivalent share	.65	.52
Earnings per common and common equivalent share-assuming full dilution	.64	.51
Average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	3,955,825	3,930,194

Quarter Ended Aug. 31:	1990	1989
Gross sales	$40,364,470	$31,632,247
Net sales	36,775,893	28,724,025
Earnings before taxes (a)	$ 1,388,204	$ 893,109
Net earnings	825,569	544,456
Earnings per common and common equivalent share	.21	.14
Earnings per common and common equivalent share-assuming full dilution	.21	.14
Average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	3,964,742	3,973,006

Note: Earnings Per Common and Common Equivalent Share are based on the weighted average of Common and Common Equivalent Shares outstanding. Fully Diluted Earnings Per Common and Common Equivalent Share assumes the maximum dilutive effect of all potentially dilutive securities.

(a) - Earnings before taxes include gains on the sale of equipment of $813,354 in the nine months and $381,991 in the quarter ended August 31, 1990. There were gains on the sale of equipment of $162,650 in the nine months and $42,889 in the quarter ended August 31, 1989.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Zenox Inc. (NASDAQ: ZENO) announced Thursday that Soyuz International Corp., the US-Soviet joint-venture in which Zenox holds a 40 percent equity stake, has reached agreement with its Soviet partners to greatly expand its business activities in the USSR.

Currently Soyuz International owns the Payless Car Rental franchise for the entire USSR market, and has entered agreements with Aeroflot Airlines and the Moscow Airport authorities for opening the franchise by December, according to Richard English, Zenox's president and director of Soyuz.

Expanded Soyuz business activities will include construction and renovations of hotels and office complexes; fast food franchising in pizza, hamburger, chicken, and roast beef product lines; cola bottling in partnership with existing Soviet bottlers: manufacturing ventures in chemical, plastics, and pharmaceutical industries; and counter-trading operations through their subsidiary Sovamtorg Inc., according to Anatoly Davydov, Soyuz president of USSR operations.

Zenox is a diversified USA holding company with existing USA subsidiaries engaged in manufacturing, healthcare, communications, car rental franchise operations, investments, and construction industries. Zenox has undergone significant growth in the past 16 months, and the expansion of their interests into the Soviet Union is meant to further enhance revenues, earnings and long-term growth for the company.

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GRAND PRAIRIE, TX (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Craftmade International, Inc. (NASDAQ: CRFT), Thursday announced results for the year ended June 30, 1990.

For the year ended June 30, 1990, sales were $12,499,200, an increase of 25% from $10,023,192 in the year ended June 30, 1989. Net income for 1990 rose 45% to $468,110 or $.20 per share from $323,407 or $.14 per share in the prior year.

Earnings per share calculations for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 were based on weighted average shares outstanding of 2,398,662 as compared to 2,246,224 shares outstanding in the prior year. The increase in the weighted average number of shares outstanding was principally the result of the Company's initial public offering in February 1990.

James R. Ridings, President, commented, "Fiscal 1990 was a year of rapid growth for our Company as the sale of CraftmadeR ceiling fans and lighting kits rose nationwide. Higher sales during the year reflect our commitment to providing consumers with high quality, energy efficient ceiling fans which compete favorably in the marketplace.

"We've also successfully focused on increasing sales of our complementary lighting kits and accessories. Record net income for fiscal 1990 is particularly gratifying, as it reflects the effective management of overhead expenses associated with our higher sales levels, new manufacturing facilities and improved pre-tax profit margins."

Ridings added, "In July, 1990, Craftmade acquired D.M.I. Products, a specialty lamp manufacturer based in Fort Worth, Texas. D.M.I.'s customer base includes major specialty retail chains. Its GEI division is a manufacturer of computer components and other electrical accessories.

"Our acquisition of D.M.I. demonstrates Craftmade's intention to rapidly expand sales in the lighting market, while at the same time, further penetrating the ceiling fan industry. To that end, we recently signed a licensing agreement with one of the country's foremost designers for a line of ceiling fans for the upper level market. Models for this line are expected to be available in January."

Looking ahead, Ridings noted, "We entered the new fiscal year in a strengthened financial position. Sales in the first quarter of Fiscal 1991 are continuing the growth trend demonstrated over the prior year. We expect revenues and net income to continue to climb over the course of the year."

Craftmade International, Inc. is engaged in the design, distribution and marketing of ceiling fans, light kits and accessories manufactured to its specifications.

The Company currently markets 87 basic models of ceiling fans and 32 lighting fixture models under its CraftmadeR brand to over 1,000 retail outlets. The Company's D.M.I. Products, Inc. subsidiary is a specialty lamp manufacturer.

CRAFTMADE INTERNATIONAL, INC. STATEMENT OF INCOME

Year Ended June 30,	1990	1989
Sales	$12,499,200	$10,023,192
Gross Profit	3,855,089	3,012,045
Income Before Income Taxes	724,982	498,583
Net Income	$ 468,110	$ 323,407
Earnings Per Share	$.20	$.14
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	2,398,662	2,246,224

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HORSHAM, PA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanta Corp. (NASDAQ: ADVN) announced Thursday that its wholly own subsidiaries, Colonial National Bank USA and Advanta Mortgage Corp. USA, sold $60.3 million of Class A Certificates in a private placement underwritten by Prudential-Bache.

The certificates represent ownership interests in Advanta Home Equity Loan Trust 1990-3, which holds fixed-rate, closed-end home equity loans. The certificates are rated ''AAA'' by Standard & Poor's and ''Aaa'' by Moody's and are insured by Financial Guaranty Insurance Corp.

Advanta Mortgage will maintain the servicing and customer relationships of the home equity loan accounts.

William Kaiser, senior vice president of Advanta Mortgage said, ''This offering is our seventh securitization of home equity loan receivables bringing the total of securitized home equity loans to over $350 million.

''Packaging real estate loan receivables and selling them in the secondary market will continue to be an ongoing method of financing for Advanta Corp.'s subsidiaries.''

Advanta Corp. is a financial services holding company which services assets in excess of $2 billion at June 30, and operates through its subsidiaries to market credit cards, home equity loans, equipment leases, credit insurance and deposit products to consumers nationwide.

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HOLBROOK, NY (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - CYBER DIGITAL INC. (OTC) Thursday reported that net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 increased to $240,868, equal to 2 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $72,901, or loss of 1 cent per share, for the same quarter previous year.

''The improved profitability is due to extinguishment of certain debt and

increase in sales volume,'' said J.C. Chatpar, chairman and chief executive officer.

Sales increased 101% to $218,007 in quarter ended June 30, 1990 from $108,488 in quarter ended June 30, 1989.

Total working capital increased by $271,821 to $717,922 for quarter ended June 30, 1990 from $446,101 for period ended March 31, 1990. The current ratio increased to 6.4 to 1 as at June 30, 1990 from 2.0 to 1 as at March 31, 1990.

CYBER DIGITAL INC. designs, manufactures, markets and services data and voice telecommunication switching equipment.

CYBER DIGITAL INC.
Financial Highlights
Quarter Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
Net income	$ 240,868	($72,901)
Average shares	11,188,101	11,188,101
Net income per share	$ .02	$ (.01)

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SUNNYVALE, CA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - ZyMOS Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ZMOS), announced Thursday volume shipments of its new high performance controller chip jointly designed with Compaq Computer Corp.

The Universal Peripheral Controller - P-222 is a high integration implementation of the primary IBM PC AT peripherals including two 8259A programmable interrupt controllers, two 8254 programmable interval timers, and two 8237 DMA controllers.

ZyMOS' newly developed Universal Peripheral Controller allows manufacturers to gain an advantage over standard chip sets by using the chip to create personalized features. ZyMOS is currently the only source shipping this chip in production volumes. ZyMOS' advanced SuperCell technology made it possible to meet the high performance requirements of Compaq.

In addition to PC applications any industrial control application based on Intel microprocessors such as the 80286 or 80386 will greatly benefit from the use of the ZyMOS Universal Peripheral Controller. Substantial future revenue is expected from this new product.

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PAINESVILLE, OH (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Obron Atlantic Corp. has reported the conclusion and disposition of all legal proceedings surrounding allegations of government contract fraud made last year by two of its former employees, James Owen and Kristen Phelps.

In October 1989, Owen and Phelps filed a complaint in Federal Court in Cleveland alleging claims under the Federal RICO and Ohio Whistleblower statutes and for wrongful discharge and the intentional infliction of emotional distress. The claims asserted by Phelps and Owen in their lawsuit centered around allegations concerning the events which led to the termination of their employment in April 1989 and their allegations of irregularities in connection with the testing of brass flake powder used in grenades manufactured for the United States Army.

The complaint named as defendants Obron Atlantic and certain employees of Obron Atlantic and its West German affiliate, Anthony McHugh, Roland Heckel, Carl Eckart, Bruno Dachlauer and Wolfgang Glueck. The defendants denied the allegations of the complaint, and Obron Atlantic, McHugh and Heckel filed counterclaims against Owen and Phelps. The counterclaims against Phelps included counts for fraud, libel and slander, and the counterclaims against Owen included counts for libel and slander and for breach of contract and fiduciary duty in connection with Owen's employment as the vice president and general manager of Obron Atlantic.

The parties agreed to a settlement calling for the dismissal of the plaintiffs' claims and the counterclaims asserted in the Phelps and Owen lawsuit. As part of the settlement, Phelps and Owen have also agreed to pay each of the defendants one dollar. On Sept. 10, the United States District Court in Cleveland entered an order dismissing the Phelps and Owen lawsuit.

In addition, an agreement was reached and finalized earlier this week to settle civil fraud claims under the federal qui tam statute which were asserted by Owen and Phelps as relators on behalf of the United States of America. The settlement calls for the dismissal of the qui tam case and for Obron Atlantic to pay the United States $54,000 and an agreed upon sum for the fees and expenses of the relators' attorneys.

Although Obron Atlantic has denied the allegations made in the qui tam case, it was determined that the cost of continued litigation justified the settlement. Previously, the United States Justice Department declined to exercise its statutory right to participate in the qui tam case brought by Owen and Phelps. A stipulation of dismissal with prejudice signed by attorneys for the United States, Obron Atlantic and the relators was filed

yesterday with the United States District Court in Cleveland.

The conclusion of these cases also comes after investigations were conducted by the United States during 1989 and early 1990. Obron Atlantic cooperated with the government in its investigation and was advised by the United States Attorney's office in Cleveland that the United States has declined any criminal prosecution based on the Owen and Phelps allegations.

Jon Fisher, the vice president and general manager of Obron Atlantic, said, ''Obron Atlantic and its employees who were accused of wrongdoing feel vindicated by the resolution of these matters and are very pleased to put these matters behind us. We felt that a press release announcing the successful conclusion of these matters was appropriate in light of the publicity given the Phelps and Owen allegations when they filed their lawsuit last October.''

Obron Atlantic has been represented in these matters by Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue.

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COPIAGUE, NY (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - TII Industries Inc. (ASE:TI) announced Thursday a delay in the filing of Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 29 with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Accordingly, the release of all fiscal 1990 financial information to the company's stockholders is expected to be delayed by up to 15 days.

This delay resulted because of the imminent completion of management's negotiations with its lender banks to restructure the company's bank loan agreements.

TII Industries Inc., with executive offices and R&D facilities in Copiague and plants in Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic and Haiti, is a high technology company specializing in the design, manufacture and sale of surge protection and specialized electronic devices, principally for use in the telecommunications and computer industries.

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SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - ''It is unworthy of excellent men to lose hours like slaves in the labor of calculation.'' Gottried Wilhelm von Liebnitz (1646-1716)

Salt Lake City-based MicroMath Scientific Software is drastically reducing this ''labor of calculation.'' People involved in a wide range of scientific research and engineering are utilizing powerful new software for the personal computer.

Scientists have traditionally had just two ways to solve problems such as determining the properties of chemical mixtures in water, or the distribution of drugs in an organism. The extensive medical calculations could either be done by hand, or the researcher could spend days writing and debugging a mainframe or mini-computer program.

Recent increases in the capabilities of personal computers have made the use of scientific software on the personal computer a viable alternative. By employing easy-to-use software on the personal computers in their own laboratories, scientists are able to focus on the nature of the problem instead of the calculations.

Agricultural engineers at the USDA are using MicroMath's LAPLACE program to quickly solve problems posed in their crop protection research. Their goals include making plant sprays more effective while using fewer chemicals that might impact crops, people, or the environment.

Researchers are using the newly-released 2.0 version of EQUIL to do chemical equilibrium calculations describing the composition of human saliva in studies determining the effect of laser irradiation in preventing tooth decay.

In another example, scientists at Upjohn are using MINSQ, RSTRIP, and GRAPH in their drug distribution studies. Their research teams have been able to make use of these computational resources to enhance the results of their studies, which have the potential to affect millions of people worldwide.

MicroMath was founded by two scientists who have firsthand knowledge of researchers' needs. Myles Lamson and Jeffrey Fox place top priority on developing powerful programs that are also easy to learn and use.

The software development team is comprised of scientists, two thirds of whom hold doctorate degrees in the areas of chemistry, applied mathematics and physics. These programmers represent a selection of top intellectual talent from the United States and China.

The company plans to continue to reduce the labor of calculation by introducing programs designed for the new Microsoft Windows environment. With the addition of this exceptionally easy-to-use graphical interface, the software can be operated with a mouse, much like a Macintosh system. Through

this development, and the pending release of a combination spreadsheet and graphing program, more people will be able to realize the full potential of today's personal computing power.

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE:PIR) a specialty retailer of decorative home furnishings and related items, announced Thursday that the company achieved record sales and reduced earnings for the second quarter ended Sept. 1.

Sales of $149,593,000 were the largest quarterly sales in history, up 10.9 percent from last year's $134,855,000. Net income available for common shareholders was $2,505,000 vs. last year's $7,227,000.

Earnings per share were 7 cents down from last year's 20 cents.

For the six month period, sales of $288,023,000 were 15.8 percent ahead of the prior period's $248,785,000 and net income available for common shareholders was $10,179,000 compared with last year's $13,888,000 for the like period. Earnings per share of 29 cents compared to last year's 39 cents.

Clark A. Johnson, chairman and chief executive officer commented, ''The company's second quarter was adversely affected by a drastic slowdown in store traffic in the month of August as troubles in the Mideast proved to have a dampening effect on consumer spending.''

Pier 1 Imports opened 34 new stores in the first half and expects to open an additional 32 units prior to Christmas.

The company operates 541 stores in 44 states and Canada.

Pier 1 Imports Inc.
Financial Highlights
(In thousands except per share amounts
and average shares outstanding)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	Sept. 1, 1990	Aug. 26, 1989	Sept. 1, 1990	Aug. 26, 1989
Net sales	$ 149,593	$ 134,855	$ 288,023	$ 248,785
Income before income taxes	4,103	11,219	16,389	21,564
Provision for income taxes	(1,535)	(3,929)	(6,085)	(7,551)
Net income	$ 2,568	$ 7,290	$ 10,304	$ 14,013

Cumulative dividends on preferred stock	(63)	(63)	(125)	(125)
Net income available to common stockholders	$ 2,505	$ 7,227	$ 10,179	$ 13,888
Earnings per share of common stock	$ .07	$ .20	$ .29	$ .39
Average shares outstanding, including common share equivalents	35,085,000	35,811,000	35,293,000	35,814,000

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FREMONT, CA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - DSP Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:DSPT) announced Thursday the receipt of two orders, together valued at over $550,000.

The first contract exceeds $400,000 from Martin Marietta, a large aerospace company in Denver. The order is for a turn-key data acquisition system used to monitor acceleration and pressure data during Titan IV lift-off. The data will be used to model and improve the performance of the lift-off suppression system, enabling more complex payloads to be launched. Shipment of this system is expected in the current fiscal year.

The second order, valued at over $150,000, was received from the National Institute of Aviation Research at Wichita State University, Kansas. This turn-key data acquisition system will be used in safety testing of airplane seats and should be delivered early in fiscal 1991.

F. Gil Troutman, president of DSP Technology, said, ''Both orders represent progress towards our goal of increased participation in space launch and other aerospace programs.''

DSP Technology Inc. designs, manufactures and markets electronic instrumentation and data acquisition systems to automobile manufacturers, major research and development laboratories and government-funded national and university research laboratories.

Its products enable research and product development engineers to capture data from occurrences lasting millionths of a second or spanning several days.

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FORT LEE, NJ (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - On-Line Software International Inc. (NYSE:OSI) Thursday announced that in its first quarter ended Aug. 31, income before extraordinary gain increased to $299,000 (5 cents per share), compared to $193,000 (3 cents per share) for the comparable period last year.

In contrast to last year's first quarter which included an extraordinary gain from the acquisition of the company's covertible subordinated debentures, of $151,000 (3 cents per share), there was no extraordinary gain included in the current quarter.

Revenues for the first quarter were $21.9 million, an increase of 9.5% from last year's $20.0 million. Increases in international revenue more than offset a decline in domestic license fee revenue compared with last year's quarter.

''We are excited with the results from our new products introduced during the first quarter,'' stated Jack M. Berdy, chairman and chief executive officer of On-Line Software. ''Both ShareOption/5 and InterTest/Batch performed well.''

''Our attention continues to be directed towards the strengthening of our sales channels and the marketing of our new products,'' added William G. Nelson, president and chief operating officer of On-Line Software.

On-Line Software International Inc. is a NYSE listed company (OSI) headquartered in Fort Lee. The 21-year-old firm combines consulting and educational services with CICS, DB2 productivity software, and development systems products that enhance the productivity of IBM computer systems users. As a charter vendor member of the International DB2 Users Group and a founding member of R/AD, the International User Group for Repository and AD/Cycle, On-Line Software supports the IBM user community. With 16 domestic and international offices, On-Line Software's distribution network services over 30 countries. The company is an IBM Business Partner that has products and professional services utilized by all Fortune 100 IBM mainframe sites.

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WILLOUGHBY, OH (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - September 27, 1990 -- Figgie International Inc. today announced election of Dr. Harry E. Figgie, III, as Vice Chairman of Technology and Strategic Planning.

Dr. Figgie, 37, will become part of a newly created Office of the Chairman

which will also include Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Harry E. Figgie, Jr., 66, and President and Chief Operating Officer Vincent A. Chiarucci, 60. Dr. Figgie will join the Company on a gradual basis over the next 18 to 36 months as his replacements integrate themselves into his medical practice.

Dr. Figgie has enjoyed a dual career as a world renowned orthopedic surgeon and as President and Chief Executive Officer of The Clark-Reliance Corp., a Cleveland-based manufacturer of valves, controls and instrumentation. The company is recognized as a leader in world class manufacturing, and is credited with the development of new techniques in numerically controlled machining technology. Under Dr. Figgie's direction, Clark-Reliance's sales have grown from $4 million to nearly $35 million.

In addition to his degree in medicine, Dr. Figgie holds an undergraduate degree in bio-medical engineering and a masters degree in what is now factory automation. He also holds a degree in accounting.

He is regarded as one of the founding specialists in custom-fit joint replacements for the human body, and has pioneered in the technique of cementless joints which have enjoyed a remarkably high success experience.

Dr. Figgie is an Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine at Cleveland's Case Western Reserve University's School of Medicine, and is a visiting scientist at The Hospital For Special Surgery in New York City. He practices at University Hospitals of Cleveland and has headed the Hospital's Cost Reduction Committee, which was responsible, in part, for the Institution's cutting some $35 million out of its operating budget in less than 24 months.

According to Dr. Figgie, ''I have been privileged to follow dual careers for nearly 20 years. The decision on which career to follow for the future has now become a family decision and thus an easy and very happy one to make.''

A director of Figgie International Inc. since 1985, he also has served the Corporation, over a 15-year period, in a variety of special assignments in finance, manufacturing and engineering.

Chairman Figgie stated that ''Harry's unique experience in manufacturing technology is strongly needed to expedite the conversion of our industrial divisions to available state-of-the-art technology.''

Figgie International is a diversified Fortune 500 company serving consumer, technical, industrial and service markets worldwide. Sales in 1989 were $1.3 billion.

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BETHESDA, MD (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Survival Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: SURV) announced Thursday that the Food and Drug Administration has approved a New Drug Application for the company's Morphine Auto-Injector (Morphine Sulfate Injection).

The Morphine Auto-Injector is designed to deliver 10 mg of morphine sulfate in a sterile solution for intramuscular injection for the management of pain. This auto-injector is intended to replace the morphine syrette currently used by military medical personnel in the treatment of pain from battlefield injuries. The company is also exploring commercial applications for this product in emergency treatment of pain.

Survival Technology Inc. provides innovative pharmaceutical delivery systems and cardiac monitoring services for the treatment of emergency medical problems. The company's products include automatic injectors for self-administration by the military, as well as injectors such as the EpiPen auto-injector containing epinephrine for severe allergic reactions and the LidoPen auto-injector (lidocaine) for treatment of cardiac arrhythmias.

Survival provides complete sterile parenteral contract filling and packaging services for prefilled syringes, including pharmaceutical research and development. The company also operates a transtelephonic cardiac monitoring service for high-risk heart patients and markets the CardioBeeper ECG transmitters.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Stephen J. Sweeney, who guided Boston Edison Co. through some of its best and some of its most difficult years, has announced that he is retiring as the company's chief executive officer, effective Dec. 1, 1990.

He will remain Chairman of the board of directors.

Succeeding Sweeney as chief executive officer will be Bernard W. Reznicek, who has served as president and chief operating officer since joining Edison in October 1987.

In making his announcement, Sweeney said ''the goals I have set for the corporation over the past several years to restore its financial health and prepare it for the 1990s have been accomplished. Boston Edison now has one of the strongest management teams in the utility industry and is prepared to face

the competitive challenges of this decade.''

Specifically, Sweeney cited as major accomplishments:

-- Assembling a new management team to guide the company into the future;

-- Restoring Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station to operation and putting it on a path to operational excellence;

-- Resolving major regulatory and financial uncertainties, which accompanied the 1986 shutdown of Pilgrim, and several critical regulatory decisions in the mid-1980s; and

-- Building constructive working relationships with government officials, public interest groups, labor unions representing Boston Edison employees and customers.

Sweeney especially credited the new management team, which he recruited beginning in 1987, for the company's turnaround.

Sweeney said that in addition to working with Reznicek through the transition, his immediate plans call for devoting time as Chairman of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce ''to building public and private partnerships between the business community and the new state administration, which takes office in January.

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AUSTIN, TX (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Tracor Aerospace Inc. has received a three-year letter contract, not to exceed $9.2 million, from the U.S. Air Force Warner Robins Air Logistics Center for AN/ALE-40 and -45 countermeasures dispensing system hardware.

The hardware will be used on C-130, F-15, and F-16 aircraft to protect them against weapons threats.

Tracor Aerospace, a subsidiary of Tracor, is a leader in the development and production of advanced countermeasures products used on aircraft, ships, tanks and missiles.

George R. Melton, Tracor Aerospace vice president and general manager, said Tracor employees is Austin, Texas, will perform the work under the direction of Fred Lancaster, program manager, with deliveries beginning in October 1991.

Tracor, owned by privately held Westmark Systems Inc., is an international technological products and services company with headquarters in Austin.

In addition to advanced countermeasures and advanced defense electronics systems, the company is a significant research and engineering services contractor in sonar, communications, and aviation and a major manufacturer of automotive and electrical components.

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MARKHAM, ONTARIO (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - International Semi-Tech Microelectronics Inc. (''ISTM") Thursday announced the financial results for the first six months ending July 31, 1990.

Net income increased 26 percent to $8,766,000 or 68.2 cents per share (67 cents per share fully diluted) compared to $6,950,000 or 61.5 cents per share (60.1 cents per share fully diluted) for the same period last year. Revenue figures are not comparable with last year's figures as the Company now accounts for its Hong Kong subsidiary on an equity basis.

STM Systems Corp., the company's information technology operations, continues to perform to plan. With the acquisition of Manitoba Data Services ("MDS") from the Manitoba Government now completed, STM Systems Corp. is now the leader in the growing market of information processing ''outsourcing.''

The Company's retail operations, SSMC Inc. ("Singer") and Consumers Distributing (U.S.A.), continued their trend of strong quarterly improvements over previous years. Retail sales in Mexico, the Caribbean, the Pacific Rim and South America were well ahead of plan in the second quarter.

ISTM also announced that its Hong Kong subsidiary, now named Semi-Tech (Global) Limited, announced its six month results today. Revenues doubled over the same period last year to HK$3,346 million with net profit up 2.5 times to HK$188 million. Earnings per share rose to HK 5.8 cents for the first six months.

International Semi-Tech Microelectronics Inc. is a Canadian public company headquartered in Markham, Ontario whose shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange trading under the symbol ISE. Semi-Tech (Global) Limited is a Hong Kong public company whose shares are listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, symbol 448. SSMC Inc. is a U.S public company whose preferred shares are listed on NASDAQ, symbol SSMCP.

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GERMANTOWN, TN (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - John D. Ferguson, chairman of the board of directors of Community Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ:CBOG), Thursday announced the resignation of Donald E. Russell, effective immediately.

Russell most recently served as the president and chief executive officer of Community Bancshares Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Community Bank of Germantown. In accepting his resignation, Ferguson cited the former president's 15 years of service and valuable contribution to the corporation.

Russell's resignation came in light of the bank's decision today to announce a special provision of $2.4 million to the allowance for credit losses as a result of management's ongoing review of the bank's loan portfolio.

Recent downturns and uncertainties in the local and national economy led management to identify additional reserve requirements. The addition will increase the allowance to approximately $4.2 million, or 2.6 percent of loans outstanding, and capital will remain in excess of 8 percent.

A search will begin immediately for a new president and chief executive officer. Until that search is complete, Ferguson will serve as chief executive officer for both Community Bancshares Inc. and Community Bank of Germantown.

Community Bancshares Inc. is a bank holding company headquartered in Germantown, a separately incorporated municipality adjacent to Memphis.

Community Bancshares' principal subsidiary is Community Bank of Germantown, which serves Germantown and the Memphis area through seven branch locations.

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ELMSFORD, NY (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - In a meeting Wednesday, the board of directors of The Computer Factory Inc. (NYSE:CFA) discussed a proposal from the Bay Street Group.

In consequence of such discussion, the board has retained Dean Witter Reynolds to analyze its financial alternative.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd., of Osaka, Japan, has developed the world's first voice-interactive VCR that can provide users with voice-synthesized programming instructions and respond to spoken commands.

Matsushita, which is known for its Panasonic, Technics and Quasar brands, will display the voice-interactive programming VCR in Tokyo at the Japan Electronics Show '90 from October 2-6. Marketing plans and pricing have yet to be announced.

This advance comes in response to growing consumer demand for simplified VCR programming. Matsushita has used its advanced voice recognition and synthesis technology to develop a new technique called Continous Linear compression/expansion Matching alpha (CLM alpha) and applied it to interactive voice programming. The method makes it possible for the VCR to recognize spoken commands from a speaker whose speech pattern hasn't been ''pre-registered.''

The process of programming the Matsushita voice-interactive VCR starts with a synthesized voice instruction from the remote control. The user then responds with a voice command. This voice interaction continues through each phase of the input process, including channel selection, day of the week and starting and ending times. The results are verified by the unit's liquid crystal display (LCD) readout.

Established in 1918, Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. (MEI) is the world's leading manufacturer of consumer and industrial electronics products. Annual sales for the fiscal year ended March 1990, reached $37.75 billion. MEI has more than 190,000 employees worldwide, with 122 factories, sales and other offices in 38 countries. Matsushita's 14,000 different electronic products are marketed under the Panasonic, Technics, Quasar and National brand names.

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ELMSFORD, NY (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - AFP Imaging Corp. (NASDAQ: AFPC) announced Thursday that it has signed an exclusive agreement for the worldwide rights to commercialize a new Bone Density Scanner which will be used in the diagnosis and treatment of Osteoporosis.

This common condition is defined as a loss in bone density or strength which is widely recognized as a leading cause of fractures in the elderly. The technology AFP licensed has been developed and tested by a leading international university and medical center over the past ten years.

Recent advances and product announcements by the pharmaceutical industry have encouraged the diagnostic community that there are now new drugs available which are potentially more effective than in the past, in reducing bone loss, in the treatment of Osteoporosis.

This has also intensified AFP's and the clinical market's interest in this equipment. Bone Densitometers utilize x-rays or other radiation beams to measure a patient's bone density.

Therefore, physicians buying these devices are prime customers for AFP's existing distribution network. It is estimated that there are currently 1,000 densitometers installed worldwide. Typical systems sell for approximately $80,000.

AFP's goal is to place a number of Beta sites in the next six to nine months upon FDA approval and full production thereafter. The company believes it has a significant market opportunity to supply Bone Densitometers based on its exclusive technology and the potential for the new treatment methods.

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LONDON (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Sept. 27, British Gas (NYSE:BRG) Thursday announced the acquisition of three oil producing areas in the San Jorge region in southern Argentina, at a cost of US$89 million.

The three fields, Las Heras, Piedra Clavada and Canadon Minerales, comprising some 203,000 acres, were offered as part of the Argentine government's Petroplan, under which certain state-owned fields were put out to tender.

British Gas is in partnership with CADIPSA, a private Argentine company, and together they are jointly formulating plans for additional development of proved reserves.

CADIPSA has experience in operations in the eastern San Jorge region, having been successful in increasing both production and reserves from acquired

fields, and will be the Operator. The Houston office of British Gas will be responsible for management of British Gas' interests in these newly acquired properties.

British Gas views Argentina as an attractive area for further upstream E & P investment. It already has an interest in the North West Basin in Argentina.

This acquisition of producing assets with significant development potential in Argentina is consistent with British Gas' continuing effort to enlarge its international upstream presence.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers.

British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore. Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to ten ordinary shares.

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MADISON, NJ (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Schering-Plough Corporation and Sandoz Pharmaceuticals Corporation Thursday announced the filing of a marketing application in the European Economic Community for 'Leucomax', the two companies' brand of granulocyte macrophage colony stimulating factor (GM-CSF).

GM-CSF is one of a group of natural proteins known as hematologic growth factors that stimulate the growth of white blood cells, a key element of the body's defenses against infection. The compound is being jointly developed by Schering-Plough and Sandoz Pharmaceuticals and will be co-marketed by the two companies.

The European joint application has been submitted for consideration to the EEC's Committee for Proprietary Medicinal Products (CPMP), which represents the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Spain, Portugal, Belgium, Netherlands, Luxembourg, Denmark, Italy, Greece and Ireland. As the first step in the EEC review process, the application was filed on Aug. 17, 1990, with the CPMP and

the Medicines Control Agency, Department of Health, of the United Kingdom.

The application is based on controlled studies in cancer and AIDS patients, as well as patients with other bone marrow failure states. It requests approval for use of 'Leucomax' in the treatment and prophylaxis of low white blood cell counts.

Schering-Plough and Sandoz have also filed applications for marketing approval of 'Leucomax' in the United States and Canada. In the United States, the companies filed a Product License Application with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration on Jan. 31, 1990. In Canada, a New Drug Submission was filed with the Health Protection Branch on June 21, 1990, which granted 'Leucomax' fast-track review status.

In November 1988, Schering-Plough, a pioneer in biotechnology, formed a joint venture with Sandoz, a leader in immunology research, to accelerate the product development and availability of 'Leucomax'. Schering-Plough and Sandoz are research-based companies engaged in the discovery, development, manufacturing and marketing of pharmaceutical products worldwide.

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LONDON (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - British Gas (NYSE:BRG) is pleased to announce the completion of an agreement with BP Gas Marketing Limited to transport gas from the Bacton terminal to industrial and commercial sites in Great Britain.

The contract will start October 1, 1990, when BP will have gas available from the Welland field. Welland is the first gas field to come on stream of which British Gas has purchased only 90 percent, in line with its undertaking to the Office of Fair Trading.

This is one of three transportation contracts which British Gas has signed in connection with gas from the Welland field.

The other contracts are with Mobil Gas marketing (UK) Ltd. and Agas Ltd.

A transportation contract was signed earlier this year between British Gas and Quadrant Gas Ltd, a joint venture of Shell and Esso, covering the transportation of gas from St. Fergus in Scotland.

British Gas accepts that competition in the contract gas market is necessary and has taken a number of steps to give independent suppliers ready access to the market.

Once it can be demonstrated that real competition has emerged British Gas will seek to have the constraints of its published price schedules removed in favor of market pricing.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain.

Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers. British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore.

Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to ten ordinary shares.

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WILMINGTON, MA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Dynamics Research Corp. (NASDAQ:DRCO) Thursday announced that net income for the 12 weeks ended Sept. 8, 1990 was $679,000 or $.14 per share, on net revenues of $20,569,000.

This compares to net income of $668,000 or $.13 per share on net revenues of $19,710,000 for the corresponding period in 1989.

For the 36 weeks ended Sept. 8, 1990, revenues were $61,430,000 and net income was $1,914,000, or $.39 per share, compared to revenues of $59,571,000 and net income of $1,882,000 or $.37 per share for the comparable period in 1989.

Albert Rand, president and chief executive officer said, ''We are pursuing our plans of expanding our business base, and have had some successes in developing new customers across all our product lines. These efforts, plus the competitive pressures on pricing our products and services, have impacted our operating income. However, our financial condition remains very strong.''

Dynamics Research Corp. provides a wide range of specialized technical services to the Department of Defense and also manufactures components for

industrial measurement and control.

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TRENTON, NJ (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Versus Technology Inc., a world leader in the design and manufacture of telephone-based data transport networks and automatic meter reading equipment, and Landis & Gyr, a leading manufacturer of meters for electric utilities, have formed a marketing partnership for the sale of automatic meter reading (''AMR'') equipment and services to utilities in the United States and Canada.

Versus and Landis & Gyr announced the signing of a sales and marketing accord on Sept. 13, 1990. Under the provisions of this long-term exclusive agreement Landis & Gyr will market and sell Versus telephone-based automatic meter reading systems to electric utilities throughout the United States and Canada. Versus has had similar marketing agreements with Sensus Technologies and Equimeter Inc., BTR plc companies, for water and gas utilities since 1989.

Initially, Landis & Gyr will adapt and market two of its standard product lines for use with the Versus telephone-based AMR system. These lines include the new, SSM-2 family of all solid-state meters and the MS-II line of singlephase watthour meters. Development of other Landis & Gyr products for AMR applications will take place on a continuing basis.

Through its association with Versus, Landis & Gyr will cooperate with Sensus Technologies and Equimeter in the sale and marketing of the Versus telephone-based AMR System to its utility customers. Versus Technology will continue to work closely with telephone companies to assist them in applying its products to permit the offering of telephone-based AMR to utilities.

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BELLEVILLE, NJ (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Faradyne Electronics Corp. (NASDAQ: FARA), the parent company of Total-Tel USA, announced Thursday that net sales for the second quarter ended July 31, were $3,357,679, compared to $3,694,852 for the same period a year ago.

Net earnings for the quarter, including a gain on the sale of the net assets of discontinued operations, were $439,700, or 27 cents per share, compared to $330,160, or 20 cents per share for the same period a year ago. Earnings for continuing operations were $214,660, or 13 cents per share, compared to $402,560 or 25 cents per share for the same quarter last year.

The company said the drop in sales and earnings for continuing operations, principally its Total-Tel USA division, can be attributed mainly to lower long distance rates driven by increased competition.

The company said, however, that the outlook for Total-Tel USA is strong as the division begins to benefit from the recent installation of fixed cost facilities and expansion of its sales and marketing department.

Total-Tel USA, Faradyne's major operating division, is an expanding discount long distance telephone company with established operations in the Northern New Jersey and New York City markets. Total-Tel USA offers a variety of communications services, including mixed-use T-One, fiber-optic FX and nationwide 800 services.

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WOODBRIDGE, NJ (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Supermarkets General Holdings Corp. announced that the board of directors declared a quarterly stock dividend on its $3.52 cumulative exchangeable preferred stock (''preferred stock'') payable Oct. 31, to stockholders of record on Oct. 15.

The dividend will be paid at the rate of .0352 shares per share of preferred stock except that no fractional shares will be issued.

The preferred stock exhange agent will aggregate all fractional shares otherwise issuable and sell them in the open market. Preferred stockholders otherwise entitled to fractions of a share will then receive a payment in cash in lieu thereof equal to such holder's proportionate interest in the net proceeds of the sale of all such fractional shares.

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BATAVIA, N.Y. (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Graham Corp. (ASE:GHM) announced Thursday that it is aware of no new developments to account for the performance of Graham's Common Stock in trading during the past week.

The company is aware of no information that would cause it to revise its most recent public statement, released on July 17, regarding the company's performance for the balance of calendar year 1990.

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Cornelius S. Van Rees or William A. Smith Jr.,
212/912-7650 or 212/912-7648

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BOSTON (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The management of Psychemedics Corp. (NASDAQ/OTC: PCMC) of Boston said Thursday that they know of no significant business development which would account for the recent stock price decline.

Dr. Lawrence Kaufman, CEO, said, ''We believe it resulted from a single brokerage house selling our stock on behalf of its clients. Since Psychemedics has a small float, the price decline most likely reflects that reality.''

Dr. Kaufman further stated, ''We are pleased with our sales progress and optimistic about the future. We believe that the Psychemedics proprietary drug testing method (RIAH) using hair instead of urinalysis, will continue to gain acceptance.''

Psychemedics Corp. is engaged in drug testing using a proprietary method which analyzes hair for drugs of abuse. Hair testing using Psychemedics technology

is currently being used successfully by more thand 80 corporations throughout the United States. Psychemedics is traded on NASDAQ/Over-the-counter under the symbol ''PCMC.''

CONTACT: Psychemedics Corp., Boston
Dr. Lawrence Kaufman, 617/345-9731

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STOCKHOLM, SWEEDEN (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Setemer Ericsson and Finmeccanica, majority and minority shareholders respectively of FIAR, have reached an agreement providing for greater integration of FIAR activities with those of the Finmeccanica Group.

According to the agreement, Finmeccanica will become the principal shareholder of FIAR from Jan. 1, 1991, reaching an initial holding of approximately 40 percent. Finmeccanica will assume management control.

The agreement also permits Finmeccanica to purchase successively the remaining Setemer holdings within five years.

''This is a logical step toward restructuring the Italian and European defense industries. It means that Ericsson will concentrate its defense activities to Ericsson Radar Electronics in Sweden in the future,'' said Dr. Lars Ramqvist, Ericsson president and CEO.

FIAR - Fabbrica Italiana Apparecchiature Radio - elettriche S.p.A. is headquartered in Milan, Italy. FIAR employs 1100 people and had net sales of $128 million in 1989. Organizationally, FIAR has belonged to Ericsson's Defense Systems business area.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications. Ericsson is recognized for its advanced systems and products for wired and mobile communications in public and private networks. Ericsson is also a leading supplier of electronic defense systems.

CONTACT: Ericsson Corp., New York
Peter Bergenhag or Kathy Egan, 212/685-4030

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WALTHAM, MASS. (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Input Output Computer Services Inc. (IOCS), a leading provider of high-performance interactive voice response systems, Thursday announced the nationwide availability of its IVRS (IOCS Voice Response Service) Aviation Weather Briefing Service beginning Oct. 1, 1990.

Using AT&T's 900 Information Services Network, pilots can now call IVRS directly at 1-900-370-2424.

IVRS is an example of the Federal Government's goal of ''privatization'' of government sponsored projects. This service is the commercial extension of a highly successful program, which was developed and operated by IOCS and certified by the FAA. Since 1985, IOCS has provided preflight weather information to pilots in 24 local metropolitan areas. In 1989 alone, IVRS provided more than one million pilot briefings. ''After recognizing the wide acceptance of IVRS by the aviation community, we decided to continue providing this proven and reliable weather briefing service which could be used by all pilots -- anywhere, anytime'' said Thomas A. Farrington, president of IOCS.

The IVRS network utilizes IOCS' leading edge voice response system, VOICE-NET. The system continuously receives and stores aviation weather from the National Weather Service. This information is then voiced to the caller through a prompted dialog session. For experienced users, IVRS can be switched into a ''non-prompted'' mode. This saves time by allowing multiple requests to be strung together in advance, reducing the time required to receive the desired briefings. IOCS also maintains a 7-day, 24-hour toll-free support line, 1-800-FOR-IVRS.

IVRS is a low-cost alternative to the traditional Flight Service Specialist. At $1.00/minute pilots can now receive fast, accurate briefings. The ease of use and portability of IVRS are unsurpassed, allowing access to the network from any touch-tone phone. Unlike on-line personal computer alternatives, IVRS requires no initial hardware, software, or modem investment - only the phone.

IOCS was founded in 1969 to provide computer software and systems-integration solutions to government and private-sector organizations. Since the early 1980's, IOCS has offered high-quality voice-response solutions for transaction-processing environments, including banking, insurance, healthcare, and transportation.

IOCS is a privately held corporation. Headquartered at 400 Totten Pond Road in Waltham, Mass., the company has offices nationwide. The telephone number is 617/890-2299.

CONTACT: Weber Temple Magruder, Weymouth, Mass.
Michael J. Greeley, 617/337-3633

-30- 2833

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Bowne & Co. Inc. (ASE:BNE) Thursday announced that its board of directors has given authorization to purchase,

from time to time, an additional 1 million shares of the company's common stock.

Together with 400,000 shares under a prior authorization, the company is now authorized to purchase 1.4 million shares of its common stock.

Bowne & Co. Inc. specializes in financial documentation and communications services for corporate compliance and public financings worldwide.

Founded in 1775, Bowne operates from 33 locations throughout the United States and Canada. Bowne's telecommunications and computer network links Bowne locations and worldwide affiliates with all major domestic and international financial centers.

CONTACT: Bowne & Co. Inc., New York
James P. O'Neil, 212/924-5500
by
Booke and Co., New York
George Strauss, 212/490-9095

-30- 1106

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PONCE, Puerto Rico (SEPT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Miguel D. Lausell, chairman of the board of Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B. (NASDAQ:PFBS), announced Thursday that the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) has formally notified the Bank that it has approved the board's appointment of Hans H. Hertell, Esq. as president and chief operating officer of the bank.

Hertell was named president and chief operating officer following the retirement, in August, of Ponce Federal's President and Chief Executive Officer, Ramiro L. Colon Jr., Esq.

Hertell was also approved to serve as a member of the board of directors of the bank.

Hertell, age 39, is an attorney and former partner in the San Juan law firm of Goldman, Antonetti, Ferraiuoli, Axtmayer & Hertell. He is a member of the board of directors of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York where he has served on both the Executive and Audit Committees. He also served as a director of Ocaso S.A. Compania de Seguros y Reaseguros, a leading reinsurance company headquartered in Madrid, Spain.

Hertell earned his undergraduate degree in 1973 at Fordham University, attend the College of Insurance in New York and received his J.D. degree from the University of Puerto Rico in 1977.

He is a member of the Bar Association of Puerto Rico, the Federal and American

Bar Associations of the United States and has been admitted to practice before the U.S. District Court, District of Puerto Rico; the U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit; the Court of International Trade and the U.S. Tax Court. He is a member of the National Association of Bond Lawyers and has also served as a delegate to the American Center for International Leadership in Moscow.

Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B., with assets of $1.3 billion, is the second largest thrift institution in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. The bank is a federally chartered, full-service financial institution headquartered in the southern coastal city of Ponce.

As of June 30, the bank had both tangible and core capital ratios equal to 4.62 percent of adjusted total assets and a risk-based capital ratio equal to 8.10 percent of risk-weighted assets, all of which are in excess of the minimum OTS requirements of 1.5 percent and 3.0 percent of adjusted total assets and 6.4 percent of risk-weighted assets, respectively.

The bank maintains an Island-wide network of 26 branches as well as executive offices in both Ponce and Hato Rey, the financial center of metropolitan San Juan.

CONTACT: Ponce Federal Bank, Ponce
Miguel D. Lausell, 809/844-8100
by
Kehoe, White, Savage & Co. Inc., New York
John P. Kehoe or David C. Collins, 212/888-1616.

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LAS VEGAS (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Jackpot Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:J) Thursday reported results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30 1990.

For the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported record revenues of $41,470,000, compared to $37,475,000 for fiscal 1989. Net income for the year was $2,855,000, or 55 cents per share, compared to $4,971,000, or 91 cents per share for the last fiscal year.

Revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 were a record $11,911,000, compared to $10,157,000 reported for the fourth quarter of the prior year. Net income for the fourth quarter of 1990 was $1 million, or 20 cents per share, compared to net income of $924,000, or 17 cents per share, for last year's fourth quarter.

All per share results have been adjusted to reflect a 5 percent stock dividend paid July 31, 1990.

At June 30, 1990, the company had 2,500 gaming machines in operation, compared to 2,051 machines that were operational at June 30, 1989.

The company's working capital ratio at June 30, 1990 was approximately 7 to 1 and its cash, temporary investments and cash equivalents, including those reserved for gaming acquisitions, totalled approximately $26 million.

Jackpot Enterprises Inc. owns and operates coin-operated gaming machines in Las Vegas, Reno and many other Nevada locations. In addition, the company operates stand-alone casinos in Reno and Battle Mountain, Nev. and joint ventures in Deadwood, South Dakota gambling halls.

CONTACT: Jackpot Enterprises Inc., Las Vegas
Frederick Sandvick, 702/369-3424

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WATERLOO, ONTARIO (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Frank Casillas, chairman of the board of Vestronix Corp. has accepted the resignation of Grant Gee as president, chief executive officer and director of the company, effective Sept. 27, 1990.

In addition, Gee has tendered his resignation as an employee and director of all subsidiaries of Vestronix Corp.

Gee has resigned in order to pursue other business interests outside of the Vestronix group of companies.

Casillas will be assuming the position of president and chief executive officer effective immediately.

CONTACT: Vestronix Corp., Waterloo
Frank Casillas, 519/745-2700

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Construction of the Phase I Ivanhoe Joint Venture Gold Mine, which commenced in March 1990, has been completed. Mining and processing have begun. The Ivanhoe Mine is a 50/50 venture between Galactic Resources Ltd. (AMEX,TSE,ME,VSE:GLC) and Cornucopia Resources Ltd. (TSE,VSE:CNP)(NASDAQ:CNPGF)

The initial 20-foot high layer of crushed oxide gold ore is being placed on the heap leach pad on a regular production schedule. Leaching of the ore commenced during the week of Sept. 17.

Ivanhoe's first gold bullion pour, expected in October 1990, will commemorate the production startup of the newest gold mine on Nevada's Carlin Gold Trend.

Galactic produces gold with joint venture partner The RTZ Corp. PLC in South Carolina, and at its wholly-owned Summitville Mine in Colorado. Galactic also has precious metal development projects in California, Nevada, Canada, China, and the Philippines.

Galactic Resources Ltd. American Stock Exchange quotes in U.S. dollars are listed daily in The Wall Street Journal under American Stock Exchange Composite Transactions.

CONTACT: Galactic Resources Ltd., British Columbia
Peter J. Guest, 604/687-7169
or
Cornucopia Resources Ltd., British Columbia
Ben Johnson Jr., 604/687-0619

-30- 1500

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POMONA, N.Y. (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Barr Laboratories Inc. (AMEX:BRL) has released financial results for the fourth quarter and the year ended June 30, 1990:

Net sales in the fourth fiscal quarter of 1990 were $17,255,000, as compared to $17,871,000 for the comparable quarter last year, which represents a 3 percent decrease.

Net earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 1990 were $58,000 or 1 cent per share as compared to a net (loss) of ($202,000) or (3 cents) per share for the comparable quarter last year.

The major reasons for the return to profitability are an improved product mix, which has yielded greater gross margins, and the effects of certain cost reduction programs.

Net sales for the year ended June 30, 1990, aggregated to $70,306,000 as compared to $69,068,000 for last year, which represents a 2 percent increase. Net income for the year ended June 30, 1990, was $1,077,000 or 14 cents per share, as compared to a net (loss) of ($3,333,000) or (44 cents) per share for last year.

Barr Laboratories is a prime manufacturer of a broad range of multi-source pharmaceutical products with manufacturing facilities located in both Northvale, N. J., and Pomona.

Barr Laboratories Inc. and Subsidiaries

Financial Highlights
(thousands of dollars except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Twelve Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$17,255	$17,871	$70,306	$69,068
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of sales	11,342	13,051	48,699	53,279
Distribution	756	753	2,912	3,172
Marketing and sales	1,282	1,055	4,290	5,284
Research and development	1,041	937	3,966	4,651
General and administrative	1,605	1,347	5,568	5,086
Interest expense, net	$ 492	$ 939	$ 1,945	$ 2,563
Other (income)/expense, net	966	205	1,398	1,152
Earnings/(loss) before income taxes	(229)	(416)	1,528	(6,119)
Income tax provision/ (benefit)	(287)	(214)	451	(2,786)
Net earnings/(loss)	$ 58	$ (202)	$1,077	$ (3,333)
Net earnings/(loss) per common share	$ 0.01	$(0.03)	$ 0.14	$ (0.44)
Weighted average number of common share equivalents	7,600,803	7,588,623	7,595,643	7,580,690

CONTACT: Barr Laboratories Inc., Pomona
Louis J. Guerci, 914/362-1100

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Daniel W. Douglass has joined the Wyoming-California Pipeline Co. (WyCal) as vice president, marketing.

Douglass has opened a WyCal office in Los Angeles to service transportation customers who will be shipping natural gas on the pipeline, which is currently under development.

Construction on the 670-mile Wyoming to California pipeline is expected to begin late this year. When completed, the WyCal system will provide gas to local distribution companies, electric utilities and other industrial users in the California market.

Douglass had spent the past 15 years of his career with Pacific Enterprises and its subsidiary, Southern California Gas Co. (SoCalGas). He held management positions in gas supply and marketing and was instrumental in conceiving and developing the company's spot market gas purchase program.

Most recently he had directed the implementation of the SoCalGas transportation program to serve the gas needs of commercial/industrial, utility electric generation, wholesale and enhanced oil recovery customers.

Douglass earned a bachelor of arts degree in political science, a law degree and a master's degree in business administration from the University of California at Los Angeles.

The new Los Angeles office for WyCal is located at 21550 Oxnard St. in Woodland Hills, phone 818/596-2301.

WyCal is owned by subsidiaries of The Coastal Corp., a Houston-based energy holding company. Coastal has consolidated assets of $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal and chemicals, and independent power production.

CONTACT: The Coastal Corp., Houston
Barbara Johnson, 713/877-3293

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#90270b0841 09/27/1990 ~Business Wire

ROCKVILLE, MD (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Ronald B. Cooper has been appointed President, General Electric Consulting Services Corp. (GE Consulting) effective Oct. 1.

Cooper will report to Eugene F. Murphy, senior vice president, GE Communications and Services.

Headquartered in Rockville, GE Consulting provides consulting and software services to assist clients in the planning, design, implementation and support of business information systems. Major areas of focus include technology migration, software support and a comprehensive range of support services for PC users.

Cooper joined General Electric in 1988 as manager, Business Development and Strategy. Since June, 1989, he has served as Staff Executive in the Corporate Executive Office. Prior to joining General Electric, Cooper was a vice president and partner in Strategic Planning Associates, a consulting firm in Washington, D.C.

Cooper holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in International Relations/Political Science from the Univeristy of California, and a MBA from the University of Chicago.

CONTACT: GE Consulting Services, Rockville
Marcia Horn, 301/340-4964.

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TRENTON, NJ (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Versus Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: VSTI) Thursday announced the closing of its agreement with Taihan Electric Wire Company, Ltd., of Korea. Previously announced in February 1990, the agreement had been pending approval by the Government of Korea, which was received earlier this month.

Under the terms of the Agreement, Versus will realize an aggregate of $1,000,000 through the private placement of 250,000 shares of Versus Common Stock at $3.00 per share, and its grant of license rights for the VerSuS Derived Channel Alarm Reporting System for an initial payment of $250,000 with royalty payments to continue in the future.

Taihan Electric is a major manufacturer and distributor of gas and electric meters and electric wire and fiber optic products. Taihan currently represents Versus' Automatic Meter Reading Systems to gas and electric utilities in the Far East.

Donald M. Hooton, President of Versus Technology, Inc., commented, "This purchase of Versus common stock and the licensing of our proprietary telemetry technology by Taihan reflects that company's confidence in our products and in the future success of our Company. We look forward to a long and mutually beneficial relationship with this strong marketing partner."

Versus Technology, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets data transport networks that allow telephone companies to offer such new services as automatic meter reading, energy management and alarm reporting. These services can be carried over existing telephone lines without interrupting other uses of the line.

Versus is the world leader in this innovative technology, with networks deployed on three continents (North America, Europe and Australia) in over 40 major cities worldwide. VerSuS equipment is used by more than 100,000 end users who are connected to networks providing automatic meter reading or alarm transport services.

Versus is teamed with industry leaders and some of the world's largest utility meter manufacturers, telephone equipment makers and alarm equipment suppliers, as well as major telephone companies on these three continents.

CONTACT: Versus Technology Inc., Trenton, John Mischak, Jr., (609) 586-4091 or The Equity Group Inc., New York, Tamara Ehlin, (212) 836-9607 or Melissa Grand (212) 836-9608.

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#90270b0844 09/27/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Group, Inc. (AIG) announced Thursday its intention to repurchase from time-to-time in the open market shares of its Common stock, depending upon market conditions.

The Board of Directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 10 million shares.

AIG further stated that it knows of no reason for the recent decline in the price of its Common shares other than the general decline in the market.

AIG is the leading U.S.-based international insurance organization and the nation's largest underwriter of commercial and industrial coverages. Its member companies write property, casualty, marine, life and financial services insurance in over 130 countries and jurisdictions, and are engaged in a range of other financial services.

American International Group, Inc.'s common stock is listed on the stock exchanges in New York, London, Paris and Tokyo.

CONTACT: American International Group, New York
Larry Walters 212/770-6667 (investment community)
or
John T. Wooster, Jr. (News Media), 212/770-3146

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#90270b0845 09/27/1990 ~Business Wire

CONCORD, MA (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad Inc. Thursday announced that it has completed its repurchase of $7.5 million (face value) of its 7-1/4 percent convertible subordinated debentures which it announced earlier this week.

The company said it would recognize a $5 milion gain on this transaction in its quarter ending Sept. 29, 1990.

The debentures were issued in May, 1986 and are due 2011. Interest on the debentures is payable May 1 and Nov. 1.

GenRad Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems and automated test equipment to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing, and process quality management. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its trading symbol is GEN.

CONTACT: GenRad Inc., Concord
Raymond F. McNulty, 508/369-4400, ext. 2970

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#90270b0870 09/27/1990 ~Business Wire
HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Advest Group Inc. announced that, to date, it has accumulated a total of 300,000 shares of stock under its previously announced buy back program.

On Aug. 16, 1990, the company's board of directors authorized and announced the plan to repurchase up to 2 million shares of stock.

CONTACT: Advest Inc., Hartford
Martha G. Payne, 203/241-2192

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#90270b0875 09/27/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Thursday, September 27, 1990, the board of directors of Dreyfus Strategic Governments Income Inc. (NYSE SYMBOL: DSI) declared from net investment income its monthly cash dividend of $0.09 per share of common stock.

The dividend is payable on October 25, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on October 11, 1990. The previous cash dividend declared in August was also $0.09 per share.

CONTACT: The Dreyfus Corp., New York, Legal Department, (212) 922-6796.

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#90270b0876 09/27/1990 ~Business Wire
WINDSOR LOCKS, CT. (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Xi Tec Inc. (F.K.A. Sterling Capital Group Inc.) has extended the expiration of its class A redeemable common stock purchase warrants from Oct. 1, 1990 to Nov. 15, 1990.

CONTACT: Xi Tec Inc., Windsor Locks
John E. Temple, 203/627-7500

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#90270b0877 09/27/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Thursday, September 27, 1990, the board of directors of Dreyfus New York Municipal Income Inc. (AMEX SYMBOL: DNM) declared from net investment income its monthly cash dividend of $0.055 per share of common stock.

The dividend is payable on October 25, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on October 11, 1990. The previous cash dividend declared in August was also $0.055 per share.

CONTACT: The Dreyfus Corp., New York, Legal Department, (212) 922-6796.

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#90270b0878 09/27/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Thursday, September 27, 1990, the board of directors of Dreyfus California Municipal Income Inc. (AMEX SYMBOL: DCM) declared from net investment income its monthly cash dividend of $0.055 per share of common stock.

The dividend is payable on October 25, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on October 11, 1990. The previous cash dividend declared in August was also $0.055 per share.

CONTACT: The Dreyfus Corp., New York, Legal Department, (212) 922-6796.

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#90270b0879 09/27/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Thursday, September 27, 1990, the board of directors of Dreyfus Municipal Income Inc. (AMEX, Symbol:DMF) declared from net investment income its monthly cash dividend of $0.06 per share of common stock, payable on October 25, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on October 11, 1990. The previous cash dividend declared in August was also $0.06 per share.

CONTACT: The Dreyfus Corp., New York
Legal Department, 212/922-6796

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#90270b0883 09/27/1990 ~Business Wire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - John R. Oltman, Andersen Consulting's managing partner of Integration Services has named managing partners for three new worldwide integration services line leadership positions.

John W. Bunnell, 43, has been appointed to the new position of managing partner of integrated business solutions. An integrated business solution is comprised of software, hardware, and services focused on meeting a specific vertical market requirement.

His worldwide role will include responsibility for the organization's Business Integration Partnership program which seeks alliances with third-party providers of information leadership products and services.

Bunnell will also be responsible for Andersen Consulting's business integration centers, which house exhibits demonstrating how to effectively

combine state-of-the-art technologies in work environments ranging from supermarkets to hospitals. Andersen Consulting's nine Business Integration centers are located in Atlanta, Chicago, Evanston, Ill., Dallas and Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Gerald J. Rydberg, 53, has been named to the new position of managing partner of deal services. Major deals are large scale long term business arrangements representing value-added strategic partnerships with clients. His worldwide responsibilities will include leading major deal development and building the organization's major deal capabilities. Multi-year, multi-million dollar projects represent a significant amount of the organization's new business.

Robert J. Ahern, 48, has been appointed to the position of managing partner of strategy and practices. Ahern's worldwide responsibilities will include strategies for the integration market, tools, and techniques to successfully deliver integrated systems solutions, and coordinating resource building and utilization across the organization's worldwide distributed network of Integrated Services practice units.

CONTACT: Andersen Consulting, Chicago
Jim Calabrese, 312/507-2058 or,
Joyce Mayer, 312/507-3296

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#90270c0002 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 26:

Communications and Entertainment Corp. - Cl. B Wts. 9/25/90 (CECOW); Issue postponed; security never quoted

First Citizens Bancshares Inc. - Cl. B (FCNCB); Insufficient number of active market makers

HYTK Industries Inc. (HYTK); Insufficient number of active market makers

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 25:

Institute of Clinical Pharmacology PLC ADR (ICPYE); Not current in required filings

The Jessup Group Inc. (JGRPC); Capital & surplus below minimum

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#90270c0003 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 26:

Hitech Engineering Co. Inc. (THEX) to (THEXQ)

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#90270c0004 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in Landmark Bancshares Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol LBC.

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#90270c0005 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Riverside Capital lost $136,128, at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $175, at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

The company reports that it has limited operations and no revenues have been generated by Riverside except interest income.

The company anticipates operational costs will be limited until such time as significant evaluation work is undertaken regarding prospective mergers or acquisitions.

Riverside's executive offices are located at 6160 South Syracuse Way, Suite 310, Englewood, CA, and its telephone number is (303) 741-0400.

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#90270c0006 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Flexsteel Industries Inc.(TICKER: FLXS) earned $6.39 million, or $0.90 per share, on revenues of $173.55 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $7.0 million, or $0.98 per share, on revenues of $172.52 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90270c0007 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:48 that trade in Community Bancshares Inc.(NASDAQ: CBOG) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 7, 7 3/4. The company is located in Germantown, TN.

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#90270c0008 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:17 that trade in EPI International Inc.(NASDAQ: EPIX) has been resumed. The first bid was 1/2; down 1 1/2 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90270c0010 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:14 that trade in Community Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: CBOG) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 6, 8; down 1 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90270c0011 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:45 that trade in Citizens Utilities Co. (NASDAQ: CITU) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 24. The company is located in Stamford, CT.

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#90270c0012 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced that trade in Louisiana General Services Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol LGS.

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#90270c0013 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Sherwood Corp.(TICKER: SHRW) on Sept. 17, 1990, dismissed its independent accountant, KPMG Peat Marwick, and engaged Borek, Stockel & Co. to be its accountant, effective Sept. 18, 1990.

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#90270c0014 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Sherwood Corp.(TICKER: SHRW) on Sept. 17, 1990, dismissed its independent accountant, KPMG Peat Marwick, and engaged Borek, Stockel & Co. to be its accountant, effective Sept. 18, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90270c0015 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 18, 1990, Caprock Corp.(TICKER: CPRK) and Coopers & Lybrand came to a mutual decision to terminate the engagement of Coopers as Caprock's accountant.

The decision was based on a dispute concerning fees for the most recent audit completed for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 737
#90270c0016 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Farmers Capital Bank Corp.(TICKER: FFKT) announced Sept. 20, 1990 that it intends to repurchase up to 200,000 shares of its outstanding common stock over the next six months, as market conditions permit.

Such acquisitions are intended to occur either in open-market transactions or privately-negotiated, off-market transactions, the company reports.

As of Sept. 20, 1990, there were 3.89 million shares of corporation common stock outstanding.

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#90270c0018 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Kansas City Life Insurance Co.(TICKER: KCLI) on Sept. 18, 1990, engaged the firm of Ernst & Young as independent accountants.

The company dismissed its former accountant, KPMG Peat Marwick, on the same date.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 653
#90270c0019 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Chattem Inc.(TICKER: CHTT) settled a dispute with a former employee in regard to a

demand for compensation, damages, benefits and certain expenses arising out of a contract of employment between the company and the former employee.

The dispute was scheduled to be arbitrated, but was settled prior to the arbitration hearing.

The company reports the terms of the settlement will not have a material adverse effect on the consolidated operating results or financial position of Chattem.

-30- 703

#90270c0020 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows GBI International Industries Inc.(TICKER: GBII) in 1988 moved its principal offices to Dallas, Texas, and engaged Hein & Associates to be the company's independent accountant.

In September, 1988, GBI moved its principal offices to Tulsa, Oklahoma, and engaged Arthur Andersen & Co. as its principal accountant.

On Sept. 6, 1990, GBI and Arthur Andersen mutually agreed to terminate their client-auditor relationship.

A portion of the audit fees for the year ended March 31, 1989, remain unpaid.

As a result, Arthur Andersen would be deemed as not independent, pursuant to Rule 2.01 of Regulation S-X, and would be precluded from being GBI's prinicpal accountant.

During the most recent fiscal year and interim period for which Arthur Andersen & Co. was engaged, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 1208

#90270c0021 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Railroadmen's Federal Savings and Loan Association of Indianapolis, (TICKER: RRMN) on Sept. 18, 1990, announced that it has decided to adopt a plan of merger with Archer Federal Savings and Loan Association in Chicago.

The merger plan would be part of an agreement to convert Archer Federal to a stock-chartered thrift and merge it with Railroadmen's.

Railroadmen's had $439 million in assets and $15.7 million in stockholder's equity, as of June 30, 1990.

Archer Federal had $59 million in assets and a net worth of $7.6 million as of June 30, 1990.

-30- 801

#90270c0022 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Asarco (TICKER: AR) and M.I.M. Holdings Ltd.(TICKER: MIMA) agreed in September, 1985, to amend their stock purchase agreement, dated June 24, 1981.

Asarco reports it and M.I.M. wish to extend to July 17, 1993 certain provisions of the 1985 agreement, due to expire Sept. 30, 1990.

Those amendments to be extended include an agreement by M.I.M. that it will not permit any member of the M.I.M. Group to acquire shares or dividends or other distributions available to holders of common stock, if after giving effect to such acquisition M.I.M. and all members would together beneficially own more than 33 1/3% of all shares of common stock.

In that same agreement, Asarco and its members may not acquire shares of M.I.M. except stock dividends or other distributions available to holders of ordinary shares of M.I.M. generally, if Asarco and members of the Asarco Group after acquisition of these shares would together beneficially own more than 40% of all ordinary shares of M.I.M.

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#90270c0023 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Culp Inc.(TICKER: CULP) hired KPMG Peat Marwick on Sept. 18, 1990, as its independent accountant.

-30- 311

#90270c0024 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd.(TICKER: AEAGF) announced Sept. 20, 1990, that it will proceed with an underground exploration program on the Vezza Deposit held under option from North American Rare Metals Ltd.(TICKER: NARM) and Dundee-Palliser Resources Inc.

The optioned Vezza property forms part of a 25,625-acre project area controlled and managed by Agnico-Eagle in Vezza, Cavelier and Noyon townships in Quebec.

-30- 655

#90270c0026 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows River Forest Bancorp (TICKER: RFBC) filed a plan to acquire Madison Financial Corp. and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Madison National Bank and Trust of Chicago, Madison National Bank of Niles and the First National Bank of Wheeling by cash merger.

By the terms of the agreement, Madison and subsidiaries were to be merged into a wholly-owned subsidiary of River Forest.

Because of delays incurred by Madison, the merger could not become effective prior to Sept. 30, 1990, the date provided in the purchase agreement.

Based partly on increased costs resulting from the delay and Madison's continuing decline in recent results of operations, River Forest proposed a reduction in the purchase price per share, rather than a termination of the merger agreement, from $8.35 per share, subject to adjustments, with a minimum of $8.15, to $7.35 per share with a minimum purchase price of $7.15 per share.

Madison's board of directors approved the amendment to the purchase agreement.

The agreement also extends the date on which the purchase agreement can be terminated from Sept. 30, 1990, to Dec. 28, 1990.

The merger is expected to close early in the fourth quarter of 1990.

-30- 1437

#90270c0027 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Relm Communications Corp.(TICKER: RGCY) amended its stock registration statement on form S-8, Registration number 2-75066, to include a section on indemnification of liabilities.

The statement says that insofar as indemnification for liabilities may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the company, Relm has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC, such indemnification is against public policy and is unenforceable.

-30- 669

#90270c0028 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the order by the Iowa Utilites Board (TICKER: IUTL) on Sept. 14, 1990, approved a rate increase of $1.3 million, or 3.9% increase in natural gas rates.

The Iowa Southern Utilities Co. had requested an increase of $1.2 million in November, 1989, and amended its filing to $1.7 million at a later date.

The company currently is collecting a $311,000 temporary increase on an interim basis.

The higher rate is expected to be in effect no sooner than 60 days from the date of the order.

-30- 724

#90270c0029 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows The Birtcher Corp.(TICKER: BIRT) earned $31,000 on revenues of $18.28 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $946,000, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $6.92 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 469

#90270c0030 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows First Chattanooga Financial Corp.(TICKER: FCHT) lost $3.56 million, or $1.27 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $3.52 million, or $1.25 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90270c0031 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows First Federal Savings and Loan Association of South Carolina (TICKER: FTSC) earned $4.03 million, or $0.85 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $5.01 million, or $1.06 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 506

#90270c0032 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows GBI International Industries Inc.(TICKER: GBII) lost $1.77 million, or $0.44 per share, on revenues of $8.62 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $3.15 million (including an extraordinary loss on discontinued operations of $2.10 million), or $0.84 per share, on revenues of $14.87 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1989.

-30- 616
#90270c0034 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows GBI International Industries Inc.(TICKER: GBII) lost $562,139 (including a loss of $139,727 from discontinued operations), or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $376,521 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $306,328 (including a loss of $195,799 from discontinued operations), or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $1.60 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 621
#90270c0035 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows BT Shipping (TICKER: BTBTY) announced Sept. 20, 1990 that its board of directors approved the repurchase of company hares from time to time in the open market.

-30- 376
#90270c0036 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:23 that trade in Tecumseh Product Co. (NASDAQ: TECU) has been resumed. The first sale was 85; down 9 1/2 points from the halt and from the previous close.

-30- 354
#90270c0037 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:25 that trade in Unisys Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol UIS.

-30- 299
#90270c0038 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Louisiana General Services Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol LGS. Trading was resumed at 13:41.

-30- 374
#90270c0039 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:03 that trade in Citizens Utilities Co.(NASDAQ: CITU) has been resumed. The first sale was 23 3/4; down 1/4 point from the halt, and unchanged from the previous close.

-30- 368
#90270c0040 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 4, 1990, Hualon Microelectronics Corp. announced that it has completed the purchase of 1,625,000 newly issued shares from Seeq Technologies Inc.(TICKER: SEEQ) for $3.25 per share.

-30- 430
#90270c0042 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:24 that trade in Bank of Boston (NASDAQ: BKB) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

-30- 328
#90270c0043 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Thomaston Mills Inc.(TICKER: TMST) earned $6.0 million, or $1.87 per share, on revenues of $199.83 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $3.65 million, or $1.14 per share, on revenues of $184.66 million for the fiscal year ended July 1, 1989.

-30- 513
#90270c0044 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Hathaway Corp.(TICKER: HATH) lost $465,000, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $25.86 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total losses of $1.40 million, or $0.34 per share, on revenues of $22.67 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 487
#90270c0045 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Art's-Way Manufacturing Co. Inc.(TICKER: ARTW) earned $1.22 million, or $0.96

per share, on revenues of $19.25 million for the fiscal year ended May 26, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.86 million, or $1.44 per share, on revenues of $22.34 million for the fiscal year ended May 27, 1989.

-30- 529

#90270c0046 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows First Golden Bancorporation (TICKER: FGBC) earned $226,630, or $0.17 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $1.41 million, or $1.03 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 451

#90270c0047 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows First Federal Savings Bank of Charlotte County (TICKER: FSCC) earned $3.22 million, or $0.99 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $3.75 million, or $1.17 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 479

#90270c0048 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows CACI International Inc.(TICKER: CACI) earned $4.0 million, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $148.07 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $3.71 million, or $0.31 per share, on revenues of $146.11 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 517

#90270c0050 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Rocky Mountain Helicopters Inc.(TICKER: RMHI) earned $1.36 million, or $0.52 per share, on revenues of $20.0 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.89 million, or $0.72 per share, on revenues of $17.48 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90270c0051 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 26:

Matrix Service Co. (MTRX)

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#90270c0052 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 27 due to an insufficient number of regular market makers - security never quoted (Stk. Div.):

Nike Inc. - Cl. B Wts., W.I. (NIKEV)

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 26:

Airship Industries Ltd. ADR (AIRSY); Delinquent in issuer fees
Go-Video Inc. (GOVO), Wts., 3/9/95 (GOVOW); Company request; listed on AMEX
Mitsui & Co. Ltd. ADR (MITSY); Delinquent in user fees

-30- 638
#90270c0053 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 28:

Attention Medical Co. (ATMD) to (ATMDD) (1 for 10 reverse split)
CP Overseas Inc. (CPOX) to United Fashions Inc. (UFAS) (1 for 4 reverse split)

Ramtron Australia Ltd. ADR (MEMRY) to Ramtron Holdings Ltd. ADR (MEMRY)

-30- 453
#90270c0054 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 27) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Bank of Boston has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol BKB. Trading was resumed at 15:10.

-30- 342
#90270c0055 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E.F. PISTONE OF 3292 SOUTH WABASH CT, DENVER, CO 80231, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PHYSICIANS DISPENSING RX THROUGH R G DICKINSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 21, 1990.

(PHYSICIANS DISPENSING RX TEL: 405 495-3545)

-30- 423
#90270c0056 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G.S. OKIZAKI OF 6314 SOUTH LAMAR CT, LITTLETON, CO 80123, HAS FILED TO SELL 280,000 SHARES OF VITRO DIAGNOSTICS INC. THROUGH ORION SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 24, 1990.

-30- 366
#90270c0058 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E.C. ROBERG OF 7524 BROOKLYN PARK DR, BROOKLYN PARK, MN 55444, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF SPARTA CORP. THROUGH CRIAG-HALLUM INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 17, 1990.

(SPARTA CORP. TEL: 612 334-3080)

-30- 384
#90270c0059 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P. LEECH OF 906 APACHE TRAIL, LAKE VILLA, IL 60046, HAS FILED TO SELL 77,000 SHARES OF DIGITRAN SYSTEMS INC. THROUGH VAN CLEMENS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 21, 1990.

(DIGITRAN SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 800 423-7939)

-30- 400
#90270c0060 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.L. HENDERSON OF 12058 LIGHTHOUSE DR, HORSESHOE, TX 78654, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF PARALLEL PETROLEUM CORP.(TICKER: PLLL) THROUGH SOUTHWEST SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 24, 1990.

(PARALLEL PETROLEUM CORP. TEL: 915 684-3727)

-30- 436
#90270c0061 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - E.M. LONG OF 18657 RAVENWOOD DR, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,334 SHARES OF AMDL INC. THROUGH RAF FINANCIAL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 24, 1990.

(AMDL INC. TEL: 714 528-8883)

-30- 368
#90270c0062 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B.W. LYNCH OF 541 MAIN ST #410, S WEYMOUTH, MA 02190, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO.(TICKER: SDEV) THROUGH LADENBURG THALMAN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 24, 1990.

(SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO. TEL: 617 337-0877)

-30- 431
#90270c0063 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. MARKMAN OF 5910 N CENTRALL EXPRESSWAY, SUITE 1000, DALLAS, TX 75206, HAS FILED TO SELL 96,400 SHARES OF HOMECARE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: HMIS) THROUGH DALLAS SECS INV CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 25, 1990.

(HOMECARE MANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 516 265-5504)

-30- 452
#90270c0064 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.H. DENLER OF 258 SOUTH ALPINE CIRCLE, ALPINE, UT 84003, HAS FILED TO SELL 273,333 SHARES OF MERLIN MINING CO. (TICKER: MMCO) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 25, 1990.

(MERLIN MINING CO. TEL: 801 521-6700)

-30- 413
#90270c0066 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L. HATFIELD OF 1604 GOLIAD, BIG SPRING, TX 79720, HAS FILED TO SELL

6,000 SHARES OF PARALLEL PETROLEUM CORP.(TICKER: PLLL) THROUGH SOUTHWEST SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 24, 1990.

(PARALLEL PETROLEUM CORP. TEL: 915 684-3727)

-30- 422
#90270c0067 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.S. OKITA OF 44 PROSPECT AVE, MONCLAIR, NJ 07042, HAS FILED TO SELL 240,000 SHARES OF GUARANTEED TUNE-UP INC.(TICKER: GTUI) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 24, 1990.

(GUARANTEED TUNE UP INC. TEL: 303 792-0079)

-30- 425
#90270c0068 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. REUBEN OF 899 LINCOLN AVE, ST PAUL, MN 55105, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF SPARTA CORP. THROUGH VAN CLEMENS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 21, 1990.

(SPARTA CORP. TEL: 612 334-3080)

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#90270c0069 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JUDITH E LADD OF 89 MAIN ST, SHELBORNE FALLS, MA 01370, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,140 SHARES OF WEST MASS BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: WMBS) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(WEST MASS BANKSHARES INC. TEL: 413 774-3713)

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#90270c0070 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES D SNYDER OF 1360 POST OAK BLVD, 0, HOUSTON, TX 77056, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF GEODYNE RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GEOD) THROUGH CULVERWELL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(GEODYNE RESOURCES INC. TEL: 918 583-5525)

-30- 423
#90270c0071 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES R ROCCHIO OF 7640 PAINTED DUNE DR, LAS VEGAS, NV 89129, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,129 SHARES OF MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MSCX) THROUGH WEDBUSH MORGAN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. TEL: 713 977-1312)

-30- 422
#90270c0072 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FORREST RAMSEY OF 2017 VERMONT, QUINCY, IL 62301, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF MICROENERGY INC. (TICKER: MCRE) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(MICROENERGY INC. TEL: 708 653-5900)

-30- 402
#90270c0074 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 457
#90270c0075 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E DOERING OF 10920 W LINCOLN AVE, WEST ALLIS, WI 53227, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SULLIVAN DENTAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: SULL) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(SULLIVAN DENTAL PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 414 321-8881)

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#90270c0076 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WAYNE G HOLT OF 10920 W LINCOLN AVE, WEST ALLIS, WI 53227, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SULLIVAN DENTAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: SULL) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(SULLIVAN DENTAL PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 414 321-8881)

-30- 436
#90270c0077 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KEVIN J ACKERET OF 10920 W LINCOLN AVE, WEST ALLIS, WI 53227, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SULLIVAN DENTAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: SULL) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(SULLIVAN DENTAL PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 414 321-8881)

-30- 442
#90270c0078 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RATES TECHNOLOGY INC OF 222 MIDDLE COUNTRY RD, SUITE 326, SMITHTOWN, NY 11787, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF PLEXUS CORP. (TICKER: PLXS) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(PLEXUS CORP. TEL: 414 722-3451)

-30- 420
#90270c0079 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HERB M MEE JR OF ENTERPRISE PLZ, 5600 N MAY AVE STE 200, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73112, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(BEARD OIL CO. TEL: 405 842-2333)

-30- 419
#90270c0080 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PENHOET OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,306

SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

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#90270c0082 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FARAJ A HAMOODAH OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,256 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 415
#90270c0083 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WOLF D HAEHL OF 4444 SOUTH 700 EAST, SUITE 204, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84107 HAS FILED TO SELL 112,543 SHARES OF ALPNET INC. (TICKER: AILP) THROUGH LADENBURG THALMAN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(ALPNET INC. TEL: 801 265-3310)

-30- 414
#90270c0084 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW R MILLS OF 1780 WENRICK COURT, LOS ALTOS, CA 94022, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 980-1500)

-30- 428
#90270c0085 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ADVENT ATLANTIC LP OF 45 MILK STREET, BOSTON, MA 02109, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,810 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 240-8800)

-30- 415
#90270c0086 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ADVENT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC L P OF 45 MILK STREET, BOSTON, MA 02109, HAS FILED TO SELL 28,970 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 240-8800)

-30- 437
#90270c0087 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ADVENT CHESTNUT II L P OF 45 MILK STREET, BOSTON, MA 02109, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,830 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 240-8800)

-30- 423
#90270c0088 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ADVENT INDUSTRIAL LP OF 45 MILK STREET, BOSTON, MA 02109, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,860 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 240-8800)

-30- 419
#90270c0090 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DESIFTA LTD OF 45 MILK STREET, BOSTON, MA 02109, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,690 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 240-8800)

-30- 395
#90270c0091 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - TA INVESTORS OF 45 MILK STREET, BOSTON, MA 02109, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,430 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 240-8800)

-30- 402
#90270c0092 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T KEVIN DUNNIGAN OF 3 KIPS RIDGE & CRESTMONT RD, MONTCLAIR, NJ 07042, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF THOMAS & BETTS CORP. (TICKER: TNB) THROUGH PERSHING & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(THOMAS & BETTS CORP. TEL: 908 685-1600)

-30- 425
#90270c0093 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT P HARRIS OF 221 CHRISTOPHER ST, MONTCLAIR, NJ 07042, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2400)

-30- 436
#90270c0094 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SALLY A PERSKE OF 7382 SOUTH EUDORA WAY, LITTLETON, CO 80122, HAS FILED TO SELL 73,250 SHARES OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(RYAN-MURPHY INC. TEL: 303 293-3835)

-30- 409
#90270c0095 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VINCENT BREITENBERGER OF 21255 EAST RUNNING BRANCH, DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB)

THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(CVB FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 714 980-4030)

-30- 440
#90270c0096 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES V ODONNELL OF 353 DEVONSHIRE BLVD, SAN CARLOS, ME 04070, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(GAP INC. TEL: 415 952-4400)

-30- 393
#90270c0098 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE M KANE OF 1246 WILLOW LANE, ROSEVILLE, MN 55113, HAS FILED TO SELL 104,055 SHARES OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(ANGEION CORP. TEL: 612 559-3370)

-30- 395
#90270c0099 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S STEEL & CARNEGIE PENSION F OF 600 GRANT ST, PITTSBURGH, NY 10530, HAS FILED TO SELL 345,700 SHARES OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(USX CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 417
#90270c0100 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DALE E BAKER OF 19618 61ST SE, SNOHOMISH, WA 98290, HAS FILED TO SELL 170,625 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH INTL ASSETS ADVISORY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 425
#90270c0101 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES E SPORCK OF 27241 ALTAMONT RD, 0, LOS ALTOS HILLS, CA 94022, HAS FILED TO SELL 300,000 SHARES OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: NSM) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 26, 1990.

(NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. TEL: 408 721-6508)

-30- 457
#90270c0102 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A J MILLER OF 740 PEARL ST #802, DENVER, CO 80203, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,125 SHARES OF TEJAS GAS CORP. (TICKER: TEJS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 26, 1990.

(TEJAS GAS CORP. TEL: 713 658-0509)

-30- 390
#90270c0103 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A J MILLER OF 740 PEARL ST #802, 0, DENVER, CO 80203, HAS FILED TO SELL 86,100 SHARES OF HAMILTON OIL CORP. (TICKER: HAML) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 26, 1990.

(HAMILTON OIL CORP. TEL: 303 863-3000)

-30- 404
#90270c0104 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERRY L MCCLELLAN OF 500 W MAIN ST, LOUISVILLE, KY 40202, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,401 SHARES OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 26, 1990.

(HUMANA INC. TEL: 502 580-1000)

-30- 391

#90270c0106 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEON S LEOB OF P O BOX 30, CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78403, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF HITOX CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: HTXA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(HITOX CORP. OF AMERICA TEL: 512 882-5175)

-30- 413
#90270c0107 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTHSTAR UNIVERSAL INC OF 324 PARK NATIONAL BANK BLDG, 5353 WAYZATA BLVD, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416, HAS FILED TO SELL 315,000 SHARES OF MICHAEL FOODS INC. (TICKER: MIKL) THROUGH JOHN G KINNARD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(MICHAEL FOODS INC. TEL: 612 546-1500)

-30- 466
#90270c0108 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RATILAL K PATEL OF ONE RAM RIDGE RD, SPRING VALLEY, NY 10977, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF PAR PHARMACEUTICAL INC. (TICKER: PRX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(PAR PHARMACEUTICAL INC. TEL: 914 425-7100)

-30- 435
#90270c0109 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RESOURCE HOLDINGS INC OF 1409 FOULK RD, SUITE 102, P O BOX 7108, WILMINGTON, DE 19803, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,500 SHARES OF SUPERIOR TELETEC INC. (TICKER: STT) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(SUPERIOR TELETEC INC. TEL: 404 953-8338)

-30- 457
#90270c0110 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KINGSBRIDGE LTD OF 751 PARK OF COMMERCE DR, SUITE 106, BOCA RATON, FL 33487, HAS FILED TO SELL 72,222 SHARES OF HIGHLANDER INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: HGHR) THROUGH WOOD GUNDY CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(HIGHLANDER INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 407 994-8969)

-30- 458
#90270c0111 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALEXANDER DAIGNAULT OF 135 E BALTIMORE ST, BALTIMORE, MD 21202, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(BROWN (ALEX) INC. TEL: 301 727-1700)

-30- 415
#90270c0112 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES P HUTCHINSON JR OF 96 GLENMORE DR, CHATUNM, NJ 07928, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(BROWN (ALEX) INC. TEL: 301 727-1700)

-30- 416
#90270c0114 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN J LANNON OF 9S285 CHANDELLE DRIVE, 0, NAPERVILLE, IL 60565, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF NICOR INC. (TICKER: GAS) THROUGH NAPER SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(NICOR INC. TEL: 312 983-8888)

-30- 391
#90270c0115 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OSCAR M CESPEDES OF 10060 SW 143RD ST, 0, MIAMI, FL 33176, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF PRECISION STANDARD INC. (TICKER: PCSN) THROUGH NEIDIGER

TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(PRECISION STANDARD INC. TEL: 205 591-3009)

-30- 429
#90270c0116 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT C GANNAWAY JR OF ONE DAG HAMMARSKJOLD PLAZA, 15TH FLOOR, NEW YORK NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,000 SHARES OF UNITED SHOPPERS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: USOA) THROUGH MARCHE SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(UNITED SHOPPERS OF AMERICA INC. TEL: 407 351-2139)

-30- 485
#90270c0117 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DENNIS S HUDSON III OF 106 HILLCREST DR, STUART, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF SEACOAST BANKING CORP. OF FLORID (TICKER: SBCF) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(SEACOAST BANKING CORP. OF FLORID TEL: 407 288-6086)

-30- 453
#90270c0118 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN A HILL OF 10 TALCOTT DR, EAST NORTHPORT, NY 11731, HAS FILED TO SELL 228,500 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 26, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 417
#90270c0119 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETW ER FRIEDELL OF 180 EAST PEARSON #6104, CHICAGO, IL 60610, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MEDICAL IMAGING CENTERS OF AMERI (TICKER: MIKA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(MEDICAL IMAGING CENTERS OF AMERI TEL: 619 560-0110)

-30- 458
#90270c0120 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GREATER WASHINGTON INVESTORS INC OF 5454 WISCONSIN AVE, CHEVY CHASE, MD 20815, HAS FILED TO SELL 69,589 SHARES OF ARIX CORP. (TICKER: ARIX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(ARIX CORP. TEL: 408 432-1200)

-30- 426
#90270c0122 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUZANNE YOUNG OF 3065 WINDSOR PLACE, BOCA RATON, FL 33434, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF POLYMERIX INC. (TICKER: PLXX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(POLYMERIX INC. TEL: 414 722-3451)

-30- 403
#90270c0123 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID DIAMOND OF 5000 TRAVELERS PALM LANE N, TAMARAC, FL 33319, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF POLYMERIX INC. (TICKER: PLXX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(POLYMERIX INC. TEL: 414 722-3451)

-30- 410
#90270c0124 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE R KNOWLES OF 4325 W SHAW AVE, FRESNO, CA 93722, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF PACIFIC AGRICULTURAL HOLDINGS IN (TICKER: PAGH) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(PACIFIC AGRICULTURAL HOLDINGS IN TEL: 209 275-0775)

-30- 462
#90270c0125 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - CH TRANSITION FUND OF 1295 CHARLETON RD, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,700 SHARES OF PYRAMID TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PYRD) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(PYRAMID TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 415 965-7200)

-30- 447
#90270c0126 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN D BENCH OF 2165 W SURREY CIR, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84118, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. TEL: 800 532-7526)

-30- 423
#90270c0127 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN D BENCH OF 2165 W SURREY CIR, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84118, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,700 SHARES OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. TEL: 800 532-7526)

-30- 425
#90270c0128 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAREEN C BAKER OF P O BOX 1889, KETCHUM, ID 83340, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,542 SHARES OF AMERICAN OIL & GAS CORP. (DE) (TICKER: AOG) THROUGH JEFFERIES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(AMERICAN OIL & GAS CORP. (DE) TEL: 713 739-2900)

-30- 430
#90270c0130 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEINER ERIK TRUST OF 5 WEST PLACE, ELMSFORD, NY 10523, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI) THROUGH

TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. TEL: 914 347-2220)

-30- 455
#90270c0131 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL DROR OF KLEER VU DRIVE, P O BOX 449, BROWNSVILLE, TN 38012, HAS FILED TO SELL 56,100 SHARES OF KLEER-VU INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: KVU) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(KLEER-VU INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 901 772-2500)

-30- 428
#90270c0132 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS C THOMPSON OF 501 LAKEWOOD DRIVE, MCKINNEV, TX 75069, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF QUEST MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: QMED) THROUGH JANNEY MONTGOMERY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(QUEST MEDICAL INC. TEL: 214 387-2740)

-30- 418
#90270c0133 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEINER KURT TRUST OF 5 WEST PLACE, ELMSFORD, NY 10523, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. TEL: 914 347-2220)

-30- 455
#90270c0134 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TERRY S DORN OF 453 ATLANTIC, CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78404, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(FOREST OIL CORP. TEL: 814 368-7171)

-30- 400
#90270c0135 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID A LYONS OF C/O NYCOM INFO SYSTEMS INC, 5 HIGH RIDGE PARK, STAMFORD CT 06900, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 26, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 447
#90270c0136 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THEODORE HINDES OF 25 ESTATES TERRACE N, MANHASSET, NY 11030, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 26, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 423
#90270c0138 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH W GORDON OF RT #2, P O BOX 1402, LANCASTER, VA 22503, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,555 SHARES OF VIRGINIA FIRST SVGS BANKS FSB (TICKER: VFSB) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 20, 1990.

(VIRGINIA FIRST SVGS BANKS FSB TEL: 804 748-5847)

-30- 453
#90270c0139 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MEREDITH W BIRRITTELLA OF 111 MIDLAND AVE, 0, TARRYTOWN, NY 10591, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,825 SHARES OF RYKA INC. (TICKER: RYKA) THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(RYKA INC. TEL: 617 331-8800)

-30- 390
#90270c0140 09/27/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT D KERN OF 3488 LADY HILL RD, SAN DIEGO, CA 92130, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(MYCOGEN CORP TEL: 619 453-8030)

-30- 386
#90270c0141 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD L FARKAS OF 8101 EAST PRENTICE AVE #220, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 59,500 SHARES OF SYNTHETECH INC. (TICKER: NZYM) THROUGH ROYCE PARK INVSTMNT. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(SYNTHETECH INC. TEL: 503 967-6575)

-30- 417
#90270c0142 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN J ASARCH OF 6921 GRANDE DR, BOCA RATON, FL 33433, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF POLYMERIX INC. (TICKER: PLXX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(POLYMERIX INC. TEL: 414 722-3451)

-30- 402
#90270c0143 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK G NEWMAN OF 6943 PRESTONSHIRE, 0, DALLAS, TX 75225, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF INTERCONTINENTAL LIFE CORP. (TICKER: ILCO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(INTERCONTINENTAL LIFE CORP. TEL: 215 351-2953)

-30- 436
#90270c0144 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARY E WILBER OF P O BOX 1494, 0, SPRINGFIELD, OR 97477, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF DRUG EMPORIUM INC. (TICKER: DEMP) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES &

ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(DRUG EMPORIUM INC. TEL: 614 888-6876)

-30- 414
#90270c0147 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY CENTRAL NATIONAL-GOTTESMAN INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 791,100 SHARES (7.77%) OF RECOGNITION EQUIPMENT INC (TICKER: REC) OF BK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 31 and Sept. 21 Central National-Gottesman Inc. purchased 107,400 shares at $5.07 to $5.53 per share.

-30- 495
#90270c0148 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY CENTRAL NATIONAL-GOTTESMAN INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 3,100,000 SHARES (13.30%) OF PROSPECT GROUP INC (TICKER: PROS) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 18 and Sept. 21, 1990 Central National-Gottesman Inc. purchased 600,000 shares at $2.38 per share.

-30- 499
#90270c0149 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 16

GROUP LED BY MAXUS EXPLORATION CO OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 58,581,852 SHARES (85.60%) OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK OFFSHORE PARTNERS L P (TICKER: DSP).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 25, 1990 the board of directors of Maxus Energy Corp. authorized the purchase of up to 2.75 million additional units of Diamond Shamrock Offshore Partners LP from time to time in the open market or in private transactions.

-30- 607
#90270c0150 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 19

INTEGRITY FUND INC OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 784,676 SHARES (33.90%) OF INFORMATION INTL INC (TICKER: IINT) OF CULVER CITY, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 17, 1990 Dorsey R. Gardner, as representative of Integrity Fund Inc., met with Information International Inc.'s president and its chairman to discuss certain matters, including the shareholder resolution concerning a cash dividend which was supported by a shareholder majority at the annual meeting. Information International Inc.'s chairman requested that Gardner write a letter to him summarizing several points raised during the Sept. 17 meeting.

-30- 815
#90270c0151 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 19

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 784,676 SHARES (33.90%) OF INFORMATION INTL INC (TICKER: IINT) OF CULVER CITY, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 17, 1990 Dorsey R. Gardner, as representative of Fidelity International Inc., met with Information International Inc.'s president and its chairman to discuss certain matters, including the shareholder resolution concerning a cash dividend which was supported by a shareholder majority at the annual meeting. Information International Inc.'s chairman requested that Gardner write a letter to him summarizing several points raised during the Sept. 17 meeting.

-30- 817

#90270c0152 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB. 16, 1990, R. POOLE, OFFICER OF NBC CAPITAL CORP SOLD 479 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90270c0153 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, J. BURKE, OFFICER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 35,336 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,730.

-30- 343
#90270c0155 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 31, 1989, G.A. COHEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NEW YORK FILM WORKS INC.(TICKER: NYFM) BOUGHT 646,880 SHARES AT $0.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,672,352.

-30- 350
#90270c0156 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, W. LERNER, DIR. OF SEITEL INC. (TICKER: SEIS), SOLD 601 SHARES AT $7.51 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,302.

-30- 284
#90270c0157 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 20, 1990, R.F. ZELLNER, DIR. OF UNIQUE MOBILITY (TICKER: UNQU), INC SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 119,457.

-30- 313
#90270c0158 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN. 3, 1990, D.E. WEDER, DIR. OF FIRST HIGHLAND CORP. BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $100.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,474.

-30- 291
#90270c0159 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - Greiner Inc., a wholly owned unit of Irving, Texas-based Greiner Engineering Inc.(TICKER: GII), has acquired Bissell & Karn Inc., a Pleasanton, Calif., engineering consultant, and its Delta Bay Land Surveys Inc. unit for $10.7 million.

The acquisition price was paid with $6.7 million cash and a $4 million note, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 27, 1990.

-30- 646
#90270c0160 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, HERBERT L LUXENBURG, DIR. OF AMERICAN BUSINESS COMPUTERS CORP. (TICKER: ABCC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $7.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,000.

-30- 351
#90270c0161 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1990, ARTHUR R ASHE JR, DIR. OF AETNA LIFE & CASUALTY CO. (TICKER: AET), BOUGHT 128 SHARES AT $53.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 432.

-30- 321
#90270c0163 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, LAWRASON D THOMAS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMOCO CORP. (TICKER: AN), SOLD 725 SHARES AT $57.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,073.

-30- 319
#90270c0164 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90270c0165 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 7,100 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90270c0166 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90270c0167 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90270c0168 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90270c0169 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90270c0171 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 104,300.

-30- 376
#90270c0172 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ANTHONIE C VANEKRIS, CHAIRMAN OF BALFOUR MACLAINE CORP. (TICKER: BML), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90270c0173 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, ANTHONIE C VANEKRIS, CHAIRMAN OF BALFOUR MACLAINE CORP. (TICKER: BML), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90270c0174 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ANTHONIE C VANEKRIS, CHAIRMAN OF BALFOUR MACLAINE CORP. (TICKER: BML), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90270c0175 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ANTHONIE C VANEKRIS, CHAIRMAN OF BALFOUR MACLAINE CORP. (TICKER: BML), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90270c0176 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ANTHONIE C VANEKRIS, CHAIRMAN OF BALFOUR MACLAINE CORP. (TICKER: BML), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90270c0177 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ANTHONIE C VANEKRIS, CHAIRMAN OF BALFOUR MACLAINE CORP.

(TICKER: BML), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90270c0179 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 27, 1987, JEROME POMERANTZ, DIR. OF BELL SAVINGS HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: BSBX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 327
#90270c0180 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GUY R HENSHAW, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 525 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90270c0181 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, GUY R HENSHAW, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 525 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,050.

-30- 331
#90270c0182 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 14, 1990, BARCLAY SIMPSON, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 7,400 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90270c0183 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 12, 1990, BARCLAY SIMPSON, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90270c0184 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, BARCLAY SIMPSON, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90270c0185 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DAVID A HOULE, VP OF COMERICA INC. (TICKER: CMCA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,150.

-30- 291
#90270c0187 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, PETER M WAY, DIR. OF FALCON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: FLOG), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,000.

-30- 311
#90270c0188 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, MARK M RUBIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST REGIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FRGB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90270c0189 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MARK M RUBIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST REGIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FRGB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90270c0190 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MARK M RUBIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST REGIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FRGB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,900.

-30- 375

#90270c0191 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, DAVID A HILTON, VP OF HILTON HOTELS CORP. (TICKER: HLT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,998.

-30- 307
#90270c0192 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, FORREST D DRYDEN, VP OF HORMEL (GEORGE A.) & CO. (TICKER: HRL), BOUGHT 130 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,920.

-30- 321
#90270c0193 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JAMES N RIETH, VP OF HORMEL (GEORGE A.) & CO. (TICKER: HRL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,814.

-30- 315
#90270c0195 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, FRANK C GILL, VP OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,039.

-30- 289
#90270c0196 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, CHARLES E YOUNG, DIR. OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 290
#90270c0197 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DENNIS M JONES, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES MEDICAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JMED), SOLD 26,174 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,790.

-30- 372
#90270c0198 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID MIZRAHI, DIR. OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 314
#90270c0199 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 17, 1990, DAVID MIZRAHI, DIR. OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 1,480 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 309
#90270c0200 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 20, 1989, DAVID MIZRAHI, DIR. OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90270c0201 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 28, 1989, DAVID MIZRAHI, DIR. OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 306
#90270c0203 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, FAULDING HOLDINGS INC, BEN. OWNER OF MOLECULON INC. (TICKER: MBIO), BOUGHT 2,069,600 SHARES AT $1.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,584,151.

-30- 341
#90270c0204 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, H MANNING MCPHILLIPS JR, DIR. OF MORRISON INC. (TICKER:

MORR), BOUGHT 387 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 312
#90270c0205 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, H MANNING MCPHILLIPS JR, DIR. OF MORRISON INC. (TICKER: MORR), BOUGHT 354 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 312
#90270c0206 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CALMAN J ZAMOISKI JR, DIR. OF MERCANTILE BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: MRBK), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,500.

-30- 339
#90270c0207 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, PAUL A BAILLY, DIR. OF MINVEN GOLD CORP. (TICKER: MVG), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,000.

-30- 308
#90270c0208 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, J ROBERTS FOSBERG, PRES. OF NEWPORT PHARMACEUTICALS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: NWPH), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 361
#90270c0209 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, DAVID K GINN, OFFICER OF OXFORD INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: OXM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 301

#90270c0211 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EVERETT H MAYER, CHAIRMAN OF PROGRESSIVE BANK INC. (TICKER: PSBK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,500.

-30- 323
#90270c0212 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, GENE G AMAR, VP OF PUGET SOUND BANCORP. (TICKER: PSNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,464.

-30- 310
#90270c0213 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CHARLES R HOGAN, DIR. OF PUGET SOUND BANCORP. (TICKER: PSNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,200.

-30- 321
#90270c0214 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, C C GUY, DIR. OF R.S.I. CORP. (TICKER: RSIC), BOUGHT 931 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,855.

-30- 283
#90270c0215 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, KEITH K KAPPMEYER, DIR. OF RMI TITANIUM CO. (TICKER: RTI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 314
#90270c0216 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, WARREN J OLSEN, OFFICER OF TURKISH INVESTMENT FUND INC. (TICKER: TKF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 337
#90270c0217 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, HARBOR ACQUISITION INC, BEN. OWNER OF TM COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TMCI), SOLD 2,000,000 SHARES AT $0.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90270c0219 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 20, 1989, LILY R FITCH, OFFICER OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 3,750 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,550.

-30- 338
#90270c0220 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 22, 1990, WILLIAM D FITCH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 175,000 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 253,000.

-30- 364
#90270c0221 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1988, WILLIAM D FITCH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 358
#90270c0222 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 20, 1989, WILLIAM D FITCH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 78,000.

-30- 359

#90270c0223 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 17, 1989, PEASE FAMILY INVSTMNT LTD, BEN. OWNER OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), SOLD 11,700 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,403,923.

-30- 373
#90270c0224 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1989, WILLARD H PEASE, CHAIRMAN OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 142,840 SHARES AT $1.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 199,090.

-30- 349
#90270c0225 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 07, 1989, WILLARD H PEASE, CHAIRMAN OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 59,270 SHARES AT $1.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,474,893.

-30- 351
#90270c0227 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 17, 1989, WILLARD H PEASE, CHAIRMAN OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), SOLD 11,700 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,463,193.

-30- 350
#90270c0228 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 09, 1989, WILLARD H PEASE JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), SOLD 11,666 SHARES AT $0.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,679.

-30- 364
#90270c0229 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 17, 1989, WILLARD H PEASE JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), SOLD 11,700 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,403,923.

-30- 369
#90270c0230 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, JOHN E PEPPER, DIR. OF XEROX CORP. (TICKER: XRX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $46.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 291
#90270c0231 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY ALLEN HOLDING INC OWNS 801,700 SHARES (8.95%) OF NU MED INC (TICKER: NUMS) OF ENCINO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Allen Holding Inc. are amending their amended statement no. 3 in which the number of shares beneficially held by them was in correctly stated.

-30- 458
#90270c0232 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY MEZZANINE LENDING ASSOCIATES II LP OWNS 740,701 SHARES (14.40%) OF SYLVAN FOODS HLDGS INC (TICKER: SYLN) OF WORTHINGTON, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 24 and 26, 1990 Mezzanine Lending Associates II LP purchased 105,000 shares at $5.25 per share.

-30- 490
#90270c0233 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY MEZZANINE LENDING ASSOCIATES II LP OWNS 3,112,500 SHARES (13.40%) OF PROSPECT GROUP INC (TICKER: PROS) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 26, 1990 Mezzanine Lending Associates II LP purchased 250,000 shares at $2.31 each.

-30- 465
#90270c0235 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

AMERICAN MONITOR PARTNERS OWNS 240,000 SHARES (9.10%) OF QUEST BIOTECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: QBIO) OF DETROIT, MI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

American Monitor Partners acquired a warrant to purchase 240,000 shares at $.417 per share in connection with American Monitor Partners's exchange of its claims against AM Diagnostics Inc. pursuant to the reorganization of AMD under the bankruptcy code and the waiver and release by American Monitor Partners of certain agreements to which Quest Biotechnology Inc. was a party.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 766
#90270c0236 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY WASTE MANAGEMENT INC OF OAK BROOKS, IL OWNS 2,024,069 SHARES (9.70%) OF HENLEY GROUP INC (TICKER: HENG) OF HAMPTON, NH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990, Waste Management acquired its interest in Henley Group Inc. by virtue of the merger of WM Sub Inc., wholly owned by WMI, with and into Henley Group Inc. pursuant to which WMI increased its equity interest in

Henley Group Inc. from 22 percent to 55 percent. In the merger, each of Henley Group Inc.'s shares were exchanged for .574 of a share of the surviving corporation and .469 of a share of WMI common stock. Each share of Henley Group Inc.'s common stock held by merger sub, WMI or any subsidiary of them, was converted into one new share of WTI common and the shares of merger sub were converted into an aggregate of 13.5 million shares of WTI common. Following the merger, WMI owns 22,459,535 shares of WTI common.

PURPOSE:

Shares acquired as a result of merger.

-30- 1157
#90270c0237 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Sept. 26, 1990, Justin Industries Inc. and Tony Lama Co.(TICKER: TLAM), jointly announced the successful completion, on Sept. 25, 1990, of Justin's tender offer to acquire the outstanding shares of Tony Lama at $9 in cash per share. Pursuant to the merger agreement between Justin and Tony Lama, Justin intends to merge TL Acquisition with and into Tony Lama; resulting in holders of shares of Tony Lama common stock who did not tender their shares in the offer receiving $9 in cash per share. Following the merger Tony Lama will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Justin.

-30- 837
#90270c0239 09/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STERLING ENERGY CORP OWNS 618,276 SHARES (13.00%) OF SHEFFIELD EXPLORATION CO INC (TICKER: SFLD) OF DENVER, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The directors of Sterling have the power to grant a proxy to vote the stock or to dispose of the stock. Sterling Energy Corp. acquired the shares for $350,000 and the assignment of fifty percent of Sterling's interest in oil and gas leases in Webb County, Texas.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 642
#90270d0210 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OSAKA, JAPAN (SEPT. 27) - Nomura Trading Co., an Osaka-based Japanese trading company, said Thursday it has set up a joint venture in Laos with the Thai importer-exporter Saeed and with Laotian entrepreneurs.

Nomura is the first Japanese company to establish a joint venture in Laos.

Nomura officials said the joint venture Santi Phap was capitalized at 30 million yen (219,000 dollars) -- 50 percent owned by Saeed, 30 percent by Nomura and the remaining 20 percent by Laotian entrepreneurs.

The Vientiane-based company will employ about 15 people and engage in exporting wood and farm products to Japan, Thailand and other Southeast Asian countries, they said.

-30- 848
#90270d0220 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 27) - The 141 Japanese hostages Iraq is using as human shields are being kept on the move, taken from one part of the country to the other, press reports here said Thursday.

The reports quoted Kunio Katakura, the Japanese ambassador in Baghdad, as saying the group was "experiencing serious mental exhaustion."

Mr. Katakura reported that he had recently received a letter, written in Japanese and English, from three employees of a Japanese firm who were believed to be detained in a camp in northern Iraq.

The men wrote that they had been separated from another group of three Japanese on August 30 and had lost all contact with the outside world after the Iraqi authorities confiscated their radio.

There are currently 340 Japanese citizens stuck in Iraq, with 141 of them being used as shields against the eventuality of a U.S. military strike in retaliation for Baghdad's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Takako Doi, president of the main opposition Japan Socialist Party (JSP), Wednesday met Iraqi Ambassador Rashid al-Rifai in a bid to obtain the release of elderly and ill Japanese hostages, party sources said.

She also asked the Iraqi authorities to allow a JSP delegation to visit Iraq in early October, they said.

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#90270d0270 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 27) - Japan has no immediate plans to follow a U.S. decision to release part of its crude oil reserves, Japanese officials said Thursday.

The United States decided Wednesday to sell five million barrels of crude oil from its 590 million barrel reserves to try to calm panicky financial markets.

International Trade and Industry Ministry officials said they believed the U.S. decision was intended only to test its effect in containing the rise of oil prices.

The ministry has decided against tapping into reserves here until there is an actual shortage of oil in the domestic market, the officials said.

The Natural Resources and Energy Agency reported Thursday that Japan's crude oil reserves at the end of August totaled 521.5 million barrels, the equivalent of 142 days' consumption.

The reserves were almost unchanged from the month-before level of 519.2 million barrels.

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#90270d0640 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 27) - Consumer prices in France rose 0.6 percent in August compared with 0.3 percent in July, the statistical office INSEE said Thursday.

This brings price rises since the beginning of the year to 2.5 percent and inflation is now running at an annual rate of 3.5 percent.

Manufactured products showed a sharp 1.1 percent rise in August, caused chiefly by the rise in oil prices due to the Gulf crisis. Food prices rose 0.3 percent while services rose only 0.1 percent.

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#90270d0720 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 27) - Japan's mining and industrial production in August rose a seasonally adjusted 0.3 per cent from July and 5.5 percent from a year earlier the Ministry of International Trade and Industry said Thursday.

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#90270d0750 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN (SEPT. 27) - Leading Iranian hardliner Ali Akbar Mohtashemi Thursday

called on the country to prepare for holy war against the United States and urged people to join in a massive demonstration here.

"From this moment, we must begin to organize the holy war and the struggle against America," the Teheran MP and former interior minister told the Abrar newspaper.

Mr. Mohtashemi urged people to "take part in a massive way" in a demonstration called for Friday in Teheran by the Islamic Propagation Organization to protest the deployment of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia.

"Tomorrow the people must denounce the aggression of the United States and its allies against the maritime borders of Iran, and they must take part in the holy war called forth by the guide of the Islamic revolution," he said.

Spiritual leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei said September 12 that popular Islamic resistance to the U.S. presence in the Gulf amounted to holy war.

His statement was seen as a challenge to the government of President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, which has sought to open up to the West.

Washington has deployed more than 140,000 troops in a bid to dissuade Iraq from attacking Gulf states after its invasion of Kuwait and to enforce sanctions ordered against Baghdad by the U.N. Security Council.

On Wednesday Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati, in New York for the U.N. General Assembly, distanced himself from the demonstration called for Friday, saying the government had not organized it.

The Islamic Propagation Organization is considered however to be a government agency.

Mr. Velayati also told U.S. television that Iran opposed the "permanent" presence of foreign forces in the Gulf, a hint that the government would accept a temporary build-up despite the opposition in hardline circles.

Iran has condemned the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and pledged to respect the U.N. embargo. But Mr. Velayati said that if the sanctions failed, "there is no solution but a military solution."

An Islamic delegation led by the chief of Jordan's Moslem Brotherhood Mohammed Abdel Rahman Khalifeh arrived here Thursday to take part in the demonstration.

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#90270d0890 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 27) - Australia's unadjusted current account deficit for August reached 1.81 billion dollars (1.5 billion U.S.), a two percent rise on the

previous month, the Bureau of Statistics reported Thursday.

The unadjusted merchandise trade balance recorded a deficit of 359 million dollars (297 million U.S.) slightly below July's deficit of 375 million (310 million U.S.).

Imports rose three percent in August to 4.57 billion dollars (3.8 billion U.S.) while exports rose four percent to 4.21 billion dollars (3.5 billion U.S.).

The current account deficit was higher than the revised 1.77 billion dollar (1.5 billion U.S.) shortfall recorded in July, but within the forecasts of financial analysts.

The Australian dollar failed to budge from its pre-announcement level of 82.90 U.S. cents, which was slightly below Wednesday's close of 83.3 U.S. cents.

Treasurer Paul Keating said in his August budget speech that Australia would post a current account deficit of 18 billion dollars (14.9 billion U.S.) in the year to June 30, 1991 compared with a 20.7 billion dollars (17.1 billion U.S.) shortfall in the previous 12 months.

The bureau said the cumulative current account deficit for the first two months of fiscal 199091 stood at 3.6 billion dollars (three billion U.S.) compared with 4.5 billion dollars (3.7 billion U.S.) for the same period last year.

The seasonally-adjusted current account deficit was 1.50 billion dollars (1.2 billion U.S.), about 17 percent higher than the revised 1.28 billion dollar (1.1 billion U.S.) deficit recorded in July.

The bureau said the seasonally adjusted merchandise trade balance for August showed a deficit of 45 million dollars (37 million U.S.) after an 84 million dollar (69 million U.S.) surplus in July.

The current account measures the difference in value between ingoing and outgoing transactions in goods, services, income and transfers.

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#90270d0950 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manila (SEPT. 27) - Washington's ambassador to Manila Thursday warned American citizens in the Philippines ''to be careful'' in view of escalating bomb attacks on the branches of U.S. multinational concerns in the country's capital Manila.

Ambassador Nicholas Platt, speaking to reporters, said the latest attacks could be the work of rightist or leftist extremists.

Three more bombs went off in overnight attacks on two U.S.-dominated pharmaceutical firms and the American-Philippine Colgate Palmolive branch in Manila's Makati business district. The blasts caused damage but no injuries. A fourth bomb hurled from a car at the Boston bank branch failed to go off.

On Wednesday bombs blew up at a bottling plant of the multinational soft drink concern Coca Cola and at a plant owned by Pepsi Cola.

Philippine authorities have blamed the attacks on renegade soldiers trying to topple President Corazon Aquino.

Platt said Philippine Defence Minister Fidel Ramos had told him that he shared Washington's concern over the recent bombings which began in mid-August.

At least four suspects have been arrested in connection with the attacks.

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#90270d1050 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Colombo (SEPT. 27) - Rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (Ltte) moved into a main military camp in northern Sri Lanka hours after government troops vacated it, an official said here Thursday.

The government had invited the International Committee of the Red Cross (Icrc) to take over the Jaffna Fort after the troops moved out on Wednesday, but the Tamil rebels had already moved in, the official noted.

An advisor to the Sri Lankan president on international affairs, Bradman Weerakoon, said that the Icrc was presently holding negotiations with the Ltte ''to get them out of the fort.''

Deputy Defence Minister Ranjan Wijeratne had said on Wednesday that over 1,000 troops in the fort had withdrawn and that the Icrc was expected to take over the site, enabling the reopening of the hospital situated a kilometre away.

Wijeratne said that the main purpose of the operations around the Jaffna Fort was to rescue about 200 security personnel and policemen who had been under siege for over three months and to resume the functions of the hospital which has been shut down since fighting broke out between the Tamil rebels,

fighting for an independent homeland in the north east for the minority Tamils, and government troops on June 11.

In two separate incidents in the eastern province, three suspected Tamil rebels were shot dead by government troops, military officials said Thursday.

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#90270d1070 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WELLINGTON (SEPT. 27) - New Zealand Lands Minister Peter Tapsell said Thursday he had refused a Japanese company permission to buy one of the country's top golf courses.

Mr. Tapsell said he was not influenced by recent "unwarranted criticism of purchases of New Zealand land by Japanese" in refusing the sale of the Wairakei International Golf Course and the adjacent Wairekei Hotel.

Japan Golf Systems Company Ltd. said August 28 it was to purchase Wairakei for an undisclosed sum from the U.S.-based South Pacific Hotels Corp.

Mr. Tapsell said he welcomed Japanese investment but conceded that his decision could be seen as xenophobic.

The Japanese firm's announcement on the course, which is in Mr. Tapsell's own electorate, had resulted in large amounts of mail opposing the sale, he said.

"I have not been persuaded that the sale would serve the greater public good," Mr. Tapsell said.

The hotel and golf course, which are 300 kilometres (186 miles) south of here, had been part of the state-owned Tourist Hotel Corp. which was privatized earlier this year. All sales of land need government approval.

Japan Golf Systems had not proved that the sale would be in both the local and national interest and would provide significant long-term benefits to the country, the lands minister said at a press conference.

Mr. Tapsell declined to say what specifically led him to turn down the application, adding that the application was "deficient in general principle."

But when pressed, he said the golf course was "of special significance to New Zealanders and was the flagship of golf courses in New Zealand."

Asian investment in New Zealand would continue provided it met statutory conditions, the minister said.

He also said he was concerned at what he saw as unwarranted resentment of purchases of New Zealand land by Japanese. The increase in foreign ownership of New Zealand land was "infinitessimal," he added.

Applications from foreign interests to buy land rose from 5,529 hectares (13,656 acres) in 1984 to 17,310 hectares (42,755 acres) in 1990, Mr. Tapsell said.

Approvals granted increased from 4,917 hectares in 1984 to 9,114 hectares in

1990.

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#90270d1120 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 27) - Tanifuji Machine Industries Co. Ltd., a medium-sized Japanese electronics maker, Thursday announced the sacking of an executive for manipulating sales figures totaling four billion yen (29.2 million dollars).

Tanifuji officials said in a report to the Tokyo Stock Exchange that the executive in charge of electronic equipment was found to have given false figures of sales between May and August this year, forcing the company to revise its projected sales and profits during the 12 months to next March sharply downward.

They said Tanifuji, listed on the second section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange, had revised its projected sales during the period from 23 billion yen (168 million dollars) to 17.4 billion yen (168 million dollars).

Net profits were now estimated at 410 million yen (three million dollars), down 80 percent from the projected two billion yen (14.6 million dollars), the report said.

The company is considering filing a damage suit against its former executive, depending on the result of further investigations, they said.

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#90270d1170 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 27) - High winds at sea, possibly enhanced by the so-called "global warming" effect, trigger the release of natural chemicals into the atmosphere which help produce an opposite cooling effect, Nature magazine reported Thursday.

Nature said it was "well established" that whitecaps and sea bubbles produced by high winds release natural aerosols into the air which then form droplets in clouds and increase their ability to screen some radiation from the sun.

"Our calculations indicate that an increase in wind speeds ... would produce an increase in cloud albedo sufficient to compensate for predicted levels of global warming," the article stated.

It added that the sea-salt aerosol particles generated on the ocean surface by high winds could have "important influences" on climate and the marine atmosphere.

Ironically, the higher winds which help release the natural aerosols may themselves be a direct result of global warming in certain areas.

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#90270d1190 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TAIPEI (SEPT. 27) - Despite government efforts to bail out the sagging stock market, share prices continued to slide during this shortened trading week amid deepening worries over a domestic recession and the Gulf situation.

An 8.6 billion Taiwan dollar (315 million U.S.) labor pension fund, which started entering the market Monday, failed to boost activity on the Taiwan Stock Exchange where the weighted price index has lost 78 per cent in seven months.

Following the previous week's 10.6 per cent plunge, the 216-issue index surrendered 406.4 points, or 13.1 per cent, to finish the week Thursday at 2,705.01 points.

The bourse was to be closed Friday and Saturday for public holidays.

Most investors still hestitated to step into the depressed market, bringing average daily turnover down to 522 million shares, compared with the 601 million issues the previous week.

The daily value of counters traded averaged 13.67 billion Taiwan dollars (501 million U.S.), down 25.8 per cent from 18.03 billion Taiwan dollars (660 million U.S.) one week earlier.

The market got off to a bearish start Monday with the benchmark index nosediving 191.17 points while the injection of the labor pension fund appropriated by the Finance Ministry failed to improve the pessimistic mood.

Soaring crude oil prices, weakening foreign stock markets and languid economic activity had driven investors away from the once-booming bourse, leaving it defenseless against steep falls, analysts said.

The index saw other setbacks of 125.12 points Tuesday and 105.06 points Wednesday, prompting local business leaders to seek help from authorities to bail out the flagging market.

Heartened by the government's reiteration to save the market and a rumored reduction of the 0.6 per cent stock transaction tax, the sensitive index recouped 108.22 points Thursday.

The cabinet passed Thursday a proposal by the Finance Ministry to allow qualified private brokerages to finance stud feed 50 billion Taiwan dollars (1.83 billion U.S.) into the liquidity-starved stock market.

But in the face of the grim economic picture most analysts were pessimistic,

predicting that the index would test the resistance barrier of 2,500 points next week.

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#90270d1220 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bangkok (SEPT. 27) - The 12-member European Community (E.C.) has lodged a protest with Burma's military government complaining about recent arrests and intimidation of its diplomatic staff, a senior Western diplomat said here Thursday.

''We have finally gotten fed up, and we made strong protests,'' said the Rangoon-based diplomat, who requested anonymity.

The E.C. protest was lodged Friday with Rangoon's military-led State Law and Order Restoration Council (Slorc) which has ruled the country since the military seized power in an September 1988 coup.

The note came after Burmese employed by the U.S., Australian, British and West German missions were dragged from their homes for interrogation by the military intelligence. They were questioned about the political opinions of the diplomats at their misssions.

The protest note complained about arrests of Burmese politicians, the trend away from democracy, arrests and harassment of locally hired embassy staff and ''illegal incursions into diplomatic compounds by armed soldiers''.

''An increasing number of governments view with horror what is continuing to happen in Burma,'' said the diplomat, adding that the United States, Australia,

New Zealand, Japan, Sweden and Canada had also endorsed the protest.

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#90270d1240 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 27) - Police fired at thousands of demonstrators in the capital Thursday, killing one and wounding three others, as violent protests against a caste-based job quota scheme continued unabated in northern India.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency said police here opened fire when the crowd, protesting an August 7 government decision to allocate nearly half of state jobs to deprived lower castes, went on a rampage torching vehicles.

The shooting in the Shakarpur lower midddle class residential area in the eastern part of New Delhi raised to five the toll in police firing here in the past three days. One more person was killed by police in northern Jammu city.

Two suicide attempts, one by a girl, were reported, along with street battles

and arson in other parts of New Delhi and more than a dozen towns and cities in northern India, where caste divisions are most acute and the anti-quota campaign has taken its most violent form.

A 13-year-old student, Sachin Kumar, killed himself late Wednesday by taking poison in public in the Hapur area of Modinagar, which is under an indefinite curfew after clashes between police and student protestors, PTI said.

Army troops moved into Jaipur city in the north western after students enforced a successful "people's curfew" Wednesday, but reports from the region Thursday said the situation was quiet.

But in Meerut, some 60 kilometers north of here, demonstrators torched two trains as three people wounded in police firing in the area Wednesday died of their injuries early Thursday.

The violence also gripped Prime Minister Vishwanath Praptap Singh's hometown of Allahabad, where students blockaded rail traffic and burned government buildings.

A student tried to burn himself alive in Tikri Kalan, in west Delhi Thursday, but he was rushed to hospital by police, PTI said. It gave no further details.

In the Haryana state capital of Chandigarh a girl student identified only as Archana tried to commit suicide by an overdose of pills, and was also rushed to hospital, the agency said.

Pitched street battles raged in the capital Wednesday during a strike called by the anti-quota agitators, virtually crippling normal life in the city.

In Haryana state adjoining Delhi one person was killed and 26 injured in a clash between those for and against the quotas, before police broke up the fight in Kalanwali, Sirsa district.

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#90270d1270 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (SEPT. 27) - South Korea's trade with the Soviet Union has rocketted this year as the two countries move closer to establishing full diplomatic ties, officials here said Thursday.

Officials of the Trade and Industry Ministry said South Korea's exports to the Soviet Union for first seven months to July amounted to 229 million dollars, a more than sixfold increase on the same period last year.

South Korea's imports from the Soviet Union, however, decreased 12.2 percent to 187 million dollars during the same period.

An official said the increase was because local business firms shipped huge amounts of electronic and textile products to the Soviet Union in the hope of ensuring a future market share, despite possible arrears on payment from Moscow.

South Korea and the Soviet Union are expected to announce the establishment of diplomatic ties when their foreign ministers meet in New York on Sunday.

South Korea's trade with East European countries also soared during the same period, with exports amounting to 281 million dollars, up 136.1 percent, against imports of 105 million dollars, up 34.6 percent.

Exports to China decreased by 5.9 percent to 850 million dollars for the seven months to July but imports increased 12.5 percent to 1.1 billion dollars.

During the same period, South Korea's overall exports to all countries reached 35.25 billion dollars, up 2.3 percent, as imports hit 37.96 billion dollars, up 10.7 percent.

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#90270d1300 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Jakarta (SEPT. 27) - China officially re-established its diplomatic mission in Indonesia Thursday with the hoisting of its national flag in of its interim Embassy in the Borobudur Intercontinental Hotel in Jakarta.

China and Indonesia normalised diplomatic ties last month after more than 23 years of suspension which followed charges by Indonesia that China had been involved in an abortive communist coup here in 1965.

Intensive efforts to normalise the relations began last year at a meeting in Tokyo between Indonesian President Suharto and Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen.

The Chinese embassy here started functioning last Monday with the appointment of Consul Liu Xiensheng as interim charge d'affaires. The embassy is currently staffed by six people.

Liu said his government would soon appoint a permanent ambassador to Jakarta to coincide with the appointment of an Indonesian ambassador to China.

The Indonesian government has offered China a plot of land in an elite foreign diplomatic areas in the Kunmingan neighbourhood in central Jakarta.

The city municipal government had demolished the former Chinese embassy building to help meet the pressing demand for more space for business activity in Jakarta.

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#90270d1330 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 27) - British building materials firm Redland said Thursday its taxable profit rose 3.7 percent in the first half of this year to 108 million pounds (203 million dollars), up from 104.1 million (196 million dollars).

The figure was in line with market forecasts of profit of between 105 million and 120 million pounds, and Redland shares were up 15 pence at 506 after the news in a rising London market.

Sales were up 11.8 percent over the first half of last year at 776.4 million pounds (1.46 billion dollars) against 694.0 million (1.3 billion dollars).

Earnings per share fell to 24.0 pence from 25.7 while interim dividend was set at 8.25 pence, up from 7.5.

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#90270d1350 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (SEPT. 27) - Thousands of East Germans are rushing to have their names removed from Church registries before a religion tax takes effect following German unification next Wednesday, authorities said here Thursday.

"The rush was so bad yesterday that we had to close for an hour," said one of the officials processing them in East Berlin.

More than half the population is officially listed as having a religion.

From January 1, every East German who has been baptized will have to pay a religion tax equivalent to nine percent of their income tax, as is now the case under West German law. The sum goes into Church coffers.

The only way to escape is by officially declaring one has left the Church, a process carried out free of charge by East German public notaries until Tuesday.

After that date, the process must be done privately by West German officials at a cost of about 180 Deutsche marks (112 dollars).

Official statistics list 46 percent of East Germans as Protestant and seven percent as Roman Catholic.

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#90270d1420 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 27) - Brent North Sea crude oil prices fell back in London on Thursday morning, following U.S. President George Bush's announcement that

five million barrels of crude from U.S. strategic stocks were to be sold.

Brent for November delivery was quoted at 36.85 dollars a barrel mid-morning against 37.55 dollars at Wednesday's close.

The fall was largely due to the news of the U.S. stock sales, but "the amount involved is almost insignificant" and is unlikely to influence the market for long, said Richard Jones, an analyst wih County NatWest.

The outlook remained bullish because of the risk of a war in the Gulf, but in the short term prices could fall back to around 34 to 35 dollars a barrel, he added.

Profit-taking sparked when prices hit their highest level in 10 years at the beginning of the week, and encouraged by American Petrol Institute (API) figures out Tuesday and showing a rise in U.S. petrol and domestic fuel stocks were likely to continue, Mr. Jones said.

"The initial wave of buying" after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2 was drying up "as there is no actual shortage of products and no cold weather," he added.

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#90270d1530 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEL AVIV (SEPT. 27) - An old Jewish manuscript writen by a Rabbi in 1935 predicted an apocalyptic Mideast war in October 1990, the ultra-orthodox Yom Hashishi weekly reported Thursday.

"The war will break out in the (Jewish holiday) tabernacles in 1990," wrote renowned Jerusalem kabbalist Rabbi Ha'im Shvili in 1935, referring to the festival which runs from October 6 to 10. "The war will not be long but will be crushing. Arabs will fight one against the other, and strange and different coalitions will be formed," the mystic predicted in a book entitled "The Accounts of Redemption".

The war of 1990 will be apocalyptic he wrote, "with real germ warfare, electric bombs and deadly atomic weapons, thought these will not be used. God will protect his sons and the land of Israel in an amazing way from the bombs and the gas. The enemy airplanes will blow up in the skies, and a huge commotion will break out in the enemy camps, with one killing the other out of madness."

Despite the mass killings Israel would benefit from the war, the rabbi predicted. "Jerusalem will be calm, peace will flood through the area, and no enemy will dare attack."

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#90270d1750 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MUNICH (SEPT. 27) - A 28-year-old hotel trainee is West Germany's fastest potato peeler.

Elmar Koeninger from Altoetting in Bavaria stripped the skins from 20 potatoes in three minutes and nine seconds at the West German championships in Munich.

A woman, Hilde Schlickenrieder, 55, from Otterfing in Bavaria, placed second.

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#90270d1760 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (SEPT. 27) - Buddhist monks are excommunicating members of Burma's armed forces in a show of protest that may have far-reaching consequences in the military-ruled and mainly Buddhist nation, a senior Rangoon-based diplomat said here Thursday.

He said the movement was started by senior abbots in the central city of Mandalay, home to up to 80,000 monks, but had spread to Sagaing, to the north, and Rangoon to the south.

"This is having a very major impact on the rank-and-file of the military, on the simple soldier," said the diplomat, who asked not to be named.

Burma's generals seized power in a bloody coup two years ago to crush a nationwide pro-democracy movement that swept the country of about 41 million people, of whom 85 per cent are Buddhist.

The junta held promised elections in May which were won by the main pro-democracy party, the National League for Democracy (NLD) despite its leaders, including Aung San Suu Kyi, the charismatic daughter of independence hero General Aung San, being detained since the middle of last year.

The military have so far refused to hand over power and arrested several more NLD and pro-democracy leaders.

The diplomat said there had been recent reports of almost daily anti-junta demonstrations in Mandalay, where students, their parents and headmasters had been detained or held for questioning.

Several senior abbots in Mandalay have signed a letter saying "they are turning down their (begging) bowls -- that is, not accepting alms from military families," the diplomat said.

This was in effect excommunication, denying soldiers and their families the possibility of earning merit in keeping with Buddhist practice. Monks were also refusing to attend such crucial, major ceremonies as funerals or weddings for

military families, he explained.

He added that the excommunication movement was supported by most monks in Mandalay where the Buddhist clergy has a long history of political activism and had spread to Sagaing and at least two monasteries in Rangoon.

The diplomat said that some officers in Burma's 200,000-strong armed forces "are becoming deeply disquieted by the way things are going."

They were "more particularly disturbed by the way the religious bodies of the country, particularly the monks, have started to show that they are prepared to enter the political arena."

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#90270d1830 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (SEPT. 27) - Greek airport officials said Thursday that 200 international and domestic flights would be cancelled in the evening because of an air controllers' strike, but that a stoppage scheduled for Friday had been called off.

The only planes taking off from Greece would be those flying to the Gulf states, and official and military flights, officials said.

Industrial action by airport staff has disrupted air travel inside and out of Greece intermittently for the past two weeks, against a wider background of recurrent general strikes.

Air controllers union chairman Georges Bissias said the 477 controllers want to be allowed to retire after 30 years of service, instead of 35.

Meanwhile private and public sectors remained paralysed on the second day of a 48-hour strike, the third in three weeks, called by two leading union federations to protest an austerity programme proposed by the conservative government to overhaul the social security and pension systems.

Government ministries, industry, banks and public services have all been hit.

Although life was expected to return to normal Friday, some unions, including those covering electricity and telecommunications workers, were to discuss whether to remain on strike later Thursday.

The powerful banking federation, with 50,000 members, have already decided to stay out Friday, when parliament is to take a final vote on the proposed law.

The general strike is the sixth to hit Greece since the Conservatives took office in April.

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#90270d1860 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT. 27) - Warning that a "considerable" portion of the Soviet Union's agricultural produce was under "direct threat of loss", the government on Thursday ordered the despatch of a wide range of workers to the fields to gather crops.

The decree covered manual labourers and office-workers, engineers and technicians, and said staff should be made available for farm work even if that meant closing down some businesses temporarily.

This year's output of grain, fruit and vegetables appears abundant. As is usual each year, the authorities mobilised many extra hands at the start of summer, but society's generally disorganised state plus the onset of autumn rains has made the response patchy.

In some regions, a state of emergency has been declared to force factory workers into the fields.

The military is helping out, with harvesting and transport. Defence Minister Dmitri Yazov said there were 23,000 soldiers at work in the Moscow region.

Collective and state farms have been told to sell their wheat to the state up to November 1, with the state ready to buy all available stocks, the decree said. As an encouragement to the farms to meet commitments, payment is being offered in the form of farm machinery of various kinds.

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#90270d1880 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUCHAREST (SEPT. 27) - Nicu Ceausescu, eldest son of executed dictator Nicolae Ceausescu, was released for three months for "medical reasons" here Thursday just six days after being sentenced to 20 years in prison.

The military court of Bucharest said it had decided "unanimously" to free Nicu 39, after hearing a report by a "senior medical committee". But he would have to "remain at the disposal of justice officials" during the period.

Nicu was sentenced to jail September 21 for "instigation of murder" for ordering security forces to open fire on anti-communist demonstrators in the central city of Sibiu, where he was the local communist party head, on December 21.

The massacre, which left 89 people dead, occurred during the uprising during which his father was overthrown and executed.

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#90270d2100 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Tel Aviv (SEPT. 27) - Israel's best-loved and most elusive bank-robber escaped through the fingers of police yet again Thursday, riding away uncaught on a powerful motorbike from his 20th bank heist in 21 months.

Police reported that the robber on the red Suzuki motorcycle had held up a bank in Petah Tikva, just outside Tel Aviv, stealing some 7,000 shekels (3,500 dollars) from the bank clerk nearest the door.

Initial reports indicated that police had arrested a number of suspects, but Police Commissioner Ya'acov Turner later told Israel Radio that detectives were no closer to solving the mystery.

The Israeli press has for months been filled with good-natured speculation on the identity of the bank-robber (perhaps a former army officer or policeman) who has acted with such precision that the police have no clues except for a single finger-print which is not identified on their computers.

The robber also uses a motorbike which is unregistered, enters the banks for little more than a minute, never takes off his helmet, takes money only from the cashier nearest the door and always manages to leave long before the police arrive.

So far the bank robber has netted some 300,000 shekels (150,000 dollars), but more worrying for police is the acute embarrassment he has caused the crack Tel Aviv detectives investigating the case.

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#90270d2180 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 27) - Pakistan bought 450,000 barrels of crude oil for October shipment from Malaysia Thursday, oil industry sources said.

The sources said that the oil was bought on the spot market, where Malaysia's Tapis benchmark crude was being quoted at about 30 U.S. dollars a barrel.

Azlam Iqbal, secretary to the Pakistani ministry of petroleum and natural resources, who is in town, was believed to have negotiated the price with officials of Petronas, Malaysia's national oil company.

Pakistan requested Malaysia in August to sell it between 15,000 and 20,000 barrels per day to help it make up for supply shortages caused by the United Nations embargo imposed on Iraq for invading Kuwait on August 2.

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#90270d2210 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (SEPT. 27) - Trade between China's Yunnan province and Hoang Lien Son province in Vietnam has increased rapidly over the past two years, the official Vietnam News Agency (VNA) said Thursday.

VNA said trade had reached an estimated 12 billion dong (more than one million U.S. dollars) but added that up to now the transactions had been conducted only at local level.

The Sino-Vietnamese border was unofficially reopened for trade at the beginning of 1988 after being closed since China invaded northern Vietnam in February 1979.

VNA said Hoang Lien Son province would send a business delegation to Yunnan to study the market and ways of increasing trade between the two provinces.

Hoang Lien Son exports about 20 products to Yunnan and imports about 30, VNA said, without giving details.

Vietnam exports mainly foods and metals, while importing consumer goods, such as beer, electronic equipment and porcelain from China.

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#90270d2250 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (SEPT. 27) - U.S. electronics companies operating here voiced concern on Thursday over the recent influx of investment which they say has caused an acute labor shortage in Malaysia.

"There may be a need to control the investment climate to create an environment appropriate for existing companies to grow and develop simultaneously with the country," the Malaysian-American Electronics Industry (MAEI) said.

The MAEI, grouping 15 U.S.-owned electronics companies, said in its annual status of the industry report that waste treatment in Malaysia had also caused many problems.

"Waste continues to build up as the companies expand and make waste centres essential if the companies are to function efficiently," the report said.

The MAEI said it saw a need for the problem to be addressed and resolved as quickly as possible to ensure a steady growth in the industry.

The report said that sales and exports by the MAEI companies were expected to top 7.6 billion dollars (2.8 billion U.S.) this year, up 13 percent from last year and would grow at least 14 percent next year.

Malaysia, the third-largest producer and the largest exporter of

semiconductors in the world, is enjoying an investment boom which is beginning to strain its skilled labor pool and infrastructure.

The Malaysian Industrial Development Authority approved investments worth 18 billion dollars (6.7 billion U.S.) in the first half of this year.

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#90270d2260 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Wiesbaden (SEPT. 27) - Rising oil and petrol prices have triggered a sudden boost in the overall cost of living in West Germany, authorities said here Thursday.

The cost of living index jumped 0.4 percent in September compared to August as a result of the higher energy prices, the Federal Office of Statistics said in a preliminary report for September.

The office, basing its estimate on economic data from four key West German states, said the living costs hike has boosted annual inflation to 3.0 percent, the highest since last December.

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#90270d2320 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Berlin (SEPT. 27) - Germans will mark their reunification on October 3 without pomp and ceremony. The festivities planned to celebrate the end of 41 years of separation - fireworks, bell-ringing, street parties, political and cultural events - are modest in view of the occasion.

''October 3 shall be more of an inward-looking celebration,'' West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl decided, not wanting to fuel fears of a powerful united Germany with exaggerated displays of nationalism.

Most people in the Federal Republic and the disappearing German Democratic Republic are happier about a day off work than about German unification anyway.

Almost a year after the fall of the Communist dictatorship in the East, euphoria has given way to worries about job security and the costs of unification.

Conservative Finance Minister Theo Waigel has chided his countrymen for their joylessness on the threshold of unification. ''There is a mood of timidity and anxiety,'' he said.

The West German government expects fewer people will take to the streets on the eve of unification than did when West Germany won the world football championship on July 8.

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#90270d2350 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (SEPT. 27) - Australian energy producer Santos Ltd. announced Thursday a 7.3 per cent jump in half yearly net profit to 42.7 million Australian dollars (35 million U.S.) for the six months to June 30.

Gross operating profit surged 21.4 per cent to 86.2 million dollars (71 million U.S.) during the period.

Directors said improved oil prices and higher sales were responsible for the net profit rise from 39.8 million dollars (33 million U.S.) previously.

Total revenue surged 21.1 per cent to 329.4 million dollars(272 million U.S.) as the average selling price for oil was up 1.18 dollars to 24.44 dollars (20.20 U.S.) per barrel.

The group produced 17.4 million barrels of oil equivalent in the first half of 1990 compared to 16.6 million in the same period in 1989.

Directors predicted a solid second-half performance from the group, which has interests in Australia, the Timor Sea and Papua New Guinea.

"It is expected that Santos' financial performance in the second half of 1990 will represent a significant improvement on the results of the first half."

Higher production, rising oil prices since the Gulf crisis, changes to petrol taxes and reduced interest expenses would help boost the bottom line, they said.

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#90270d2430 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUCHAREST (SEPT. 27) - A military court ordered Nicu Ceausescu, youngest son of executed dictator Nicolae Ceausescu, set free for three months here Thursday "for health reasons", just six days after he was jailed for 20 years.

The court said it had decided "unanimously" to temporarily release Mr. Ceausescu, 39, after hearing a report by a "senior medical committee".

But he would have to remain in detention for five days, at a Bucharest clinic where he has been treated since August 28, to give the public prosecutor time to appeal the military court's decision.

Mr. Ceausescu also must remain available to court officials during the entire three-month period.

Doctors have said he has cirrhosis of the liver and enlarged veins in his

throat, which the medical panel described as "incurable" and said could have "unpredictable complications".

The military court which ordered him released was presided over by Lieutenant-Colonel Constantin Lucescu, the same officer who defended Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife Elena, who were sentenced and executed December 25 after a popular uprising.

The younger Ceausescu was handed a 20-year prison sentence last Friday for "instigation of murder" after he ordered security forces to open fire on anti-communist demonstrators December 21 in the central city of Sibiu, where he was communist party chief. The massacre left 89 people dead.

He was also sentenced to five years for breaking arms laws, but under Romanian law must serve only the longer sentence.

However the court agreed to a request from the defense to hear new medical evidence.

Before the new ruling was handed down, Mr. Ceausescu appeared in court looking thin and appealed to the judges not to send him to a prison hospital.

It was the second time he had been ordered temporarily released.

He was initially set free August 23, but five days later the decision was overturned on appeal by the public prosecutor.

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#90270d2450 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 27) - Bond holders in Bond Corporation Holdings voted to approve the Australian company's planned sale of its brewing assets here Friday, the day after chairman Alan Bond resigned his post.

The decision by holders of dollar-denominated bonds follows a vote in favour by sterling bond holders seven weeks ago.

Mr. Bond offered his resignation to the two groups in July as part of a package aimed at persuading them to approve the sale.

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#90270d2470 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FREETOWN (SEPT. 27) - Talks between leaders of warring factions in Liberia, scheduled to take place here, have been postponed indefinitely, a senior official of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) said Thursday.

Charles Taylor, head of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia, and the breakaway chief of the Independent Patriotic Front Alliance, Prince Johnson, were to have met at an ECOWAS-sponsored conference on Friday.

The official said a statement attributed to U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs Herman Cohen was "mainly responsible for the decision to postpone the meeting".

Mr. Cohen said Wednesday in an interview with the BBC that a peaceful solution to the Liberian conflict would be impossible without the participation of Mr. Taylor.

The ECOWAS official called the statement "unhelpful and at variance with discussions with ECOWAS officials during his (Cohen's) stopover in Freetown" September 17.

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#90270d2530 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 27) - Hundreds of Iraqi children have greeted a 40-truck convoy bringing them food from Jordan in defiance of an international embargo, as Iraqi authorities grapple with how to respond publicly to the blockade.

The children, brandishing Iraqi and Jordanian flags along with portraits of President Saddam Hussein and PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, welcomed the arrival Wednesday of tonnes of food, medicine and milk, collected by the General Federation of Jordanian Charitable Organizations.

Press reports here said it was the third such shipment since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2, which prompted the United Nations Security Council to approve a land and sea blockade on Iraq last month.

The council on Tuesday voted to expand the restrictions to cover air traffic to and from Iraq.

The Jordanian government has pledged to honor all the U.N. measures despite the fact that public sentiment in the country, as evidenced by the food shipments, is solidly behind Iraq.

Iraqi authorities meanwhile appear reluctant to define their attitude toward the effects of the blockade.

On one hand they have tried to minimize the consequences of the sanctions, stressing that food stocks are plentiful.

But they have also spoken of famine and looming economic catastrophe, comparing the blockade to a declaration of war and threatening to strike at Israel and at Gulf oil installations.

A similar contradiction is apparent in daily life here. While essential commodities at subsidized prices are rationed there are no signs of shortages in the capital.

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#90270d2640 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 27) - Polly Peck International, one of Britain's top 100 companies before trading in its shares were suspended exactly a week ago, continues to hog the headlines in the British press despite a deafening silence from its beleaguered board.

The board promised a statement "in due course" after the suspension. Six consecutive days of meetings have so far failed to produce one.

The wave of rumours facing the group, whose activities range from electronics to fresh fruit distribution, prompted the Sunday Times newspaper at the weekend to headline "Polly Peck Scandal 'Greater than Guinness'"

It was referring to the illegal share support operation undertaken by the British brewer in 1986 which ended in the recent imprisonment of its former chairman and other top City figures.

The suspension of Polly Peck shares last Thursday followed a 55 percent slide in the share price.

The fall compounded earlier losses sustained after the withdrawal just five days after it was announced of a buyout plan launched by chairman and chief executive Asil Nadir.

Turkish Cypriot-born Mr. Nadir's action prompted harsh criticism from the Stock Exchange authorities. The group's activities are now under investigation by the Serious Fraud Office (SFO).

A request from the Polly Peck board for a Department of Trade and Industry enquiry into the whole affair has been rejected by the government department.

Mr. Nadir's declaration of intent to sue newspapers for their allegations has failed to dampen speculation over alleged foul play.

Rumours about the company ahead of the suspension included an imminent move to Switzerland, heavy losses for the company on the Turkish bond market, and even the death of Mr. Nadir himself.

The affair has cast a shadow over an already queasy stock market here, and a 10 percent slide in the share price of the Standard Chartered bank Wednesday was attributed to concern over its exposure to Polly Peck debt.

The National Association of Pension Funds, which groups many of Britain's big institutional investors, said Thursday it had written to regulatory bodies to complain at the delay in any announcement.

The latest development in the saga appeared on the Stock Exchange's own company news service screens on Wednesday.

It revealed that two blocks totalling 450,000 Polly Peck shares were sold by a Swiss company called Blade Exploration six weeks ago, two days after Mr. Nadir's bid to take the company private.

Before the transactions, priced at 410 and 417 pence per share, Blade held more than one percent of Polly Peck.

Under British takeover rules any holder of one percent or above in a company which is the target of a formal bid must disclose sales by noon the following day.

A spokesman for the stock exchange's Takeover Panel said Thursday "We are investigating why the disclosures were late".

Polly Peck International is a component company in the FT-SE index of 100 leading shares known as the Footsie index. The index's steering committee, due to meet tomorrow, could drop the company from the list.

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#90270d2790 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 27) - An earthquake measuring 5.5 on the Richter scale jolted southwestern Pakistan on Wednesday, officials said Thursday.

Tremors lasting several seconds were recorded first at 15:34 GMT, said an official of the meteorological department in Quetta, the capital of Baluchistan province, contacted by telephone.

He said the quake's epicentre was on the edge of the Chaghi district of Baluchistan, "almost inside" Iran.

(A report from Teheran said a quake measuring 6.6 on the Richter scale was recorded in Sistan-Baluchistan province, with its epicentre estimated to be 1,500 Kilomters (900 miles) southeast of the Iranian capital.

(Iranian officials said the tremors could have caused heavy damage in an urban area.)

The official in Quetta said the population in the border region was scanty and no loss life or damage to property had so far been reported.

An earthquake measuring 5.0 on the Richter scale can cause considerable damage in a built-up area, while one measuring 6.0 can cause severe damage.

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#90270d3070 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (SEPT. 27) - Iraq on Thursday freed 90 Sri Lankan workers it had detained along with several other migrant workers following its August 2 invasion of Kuwait, officials said here.

The Sri Lanka embassy in Baghdad had secured the release of the 90 Sri Lankan nationals held in jail by the Iraqi authorities and sent them by road to the Jordan border, an official communique said.

It did not give details on how the Sri Lankans came to be there, but Minister of State for Foreign Affairs John Amaratunga said that they were employees of an Iraqi oil company.

The brief foreign ministry statement said officials at Sri Lanka's consulate in Jordan would ensure the early clearance of these persons through the border and their early repatriation.

Thousands of Sri Lankan workers have been stranded in both Kuwait and Iraq since the invasion.

Large numbers of Sri Lankans have been fleeing Kuwait to Amman from where they hope to return home in one of several refugee flights organised by the U.N.-sponsored International Organisation for Migration (IOM).

Meanwhile, elaborate arrangements have been made to welcome more than 1,500 Sri Lankan refugees who are due to arrive here Friday on the first chartered ship bringing stranded workers to the country from Amman.

Press reports also said that Iraq had granted Colombo permission to airlift its remaining refugees direct from Kuwait but this could not be officially confirmed.

Officials said more than 15,000 Sri Lankans have been brought home since the beginning of the Gulf crisis. Some 70,000 more remain in Iraq, Kuwait and neighbouring states.

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#90270d3080 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GLARIS, Switzerland (SEPT. 27) - Holderbank Financiere Glaris SA, the holding company of the world's biggest cement producer, is making a takeover bid for Queensland Cement Ltd (QCL), a major Australian cement producer, the Swiss group announced here on Thursday.

Holderbank said the bid was made through Holset, the group's Australian subsidiary, which has offered 3.80 Australian dollars (3.2 U.S.) for each share and convertible bond. It estimates the value of QCL at 270 million Australian dollars (225 million U.S.).

Holderbank already holds 25 percent of the Australian cement-maker, which has an annual production capacity of 1.5 million tons of cement and 30,000 tons of lime.

QCL had consolidated sales of 181.41 million Australian dollars (150 million U.S.) in financial 1989.

Glaris, present in 26 countries, had consolidated sales of 4.97 billion Swiss francs (3.8 billion dollars) in 1989. It has one company in the Philippines, and another in New Zealand.

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#90270d3120 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (SEPT. 27) - Prime Minister Bob Hawke on Thursday described as "irresponsible and unfortunate" a strike now crippling Australia's domestic airline services.

Throughout the day, thousands of stranded passengers jammed interstate trains and buses or cancelled travel plans outright as the strike by aircraft refuellers slashed flights between capital cities.

Ansett Airlines said fewer than 70 flights were scheduled, about 30 percent of normal, and Australian Airlines said it had cancelled half its flights.

The tourist industry, still trying to recover from last year's strike by airline pilots, was said to be in turmoil.

The refuellers went on strike at midnight Tuesday over what was described as "a manning dispute", throwing the travel plans of more than 20,000 people into chaos.

The refuellers say they fear that one-man refuelling operations which have replaced two man crews in the West Australian city of Perth may spread to other cities and from small general aviation planes to larger commercial aircraft.

The strikers are due to attend mass meetings across the country Friday morning to consider a return-to-work recommendation by the national industrial relations court.

Opposition industrial relations spokesman John Howard pledged essential services legislation to deter action like the refuellers' strike if the opposition gained power.

Mr. Howard said the attitude of the Transport Workers Union was contemptible.

Speaking to journalists after a speech in the eastern city of Wollongong, Mr. Hawke said that although unions had the right to take industrial action in a democracy, this strike was an example of irresponsibility.

"You're going to have some exercises of that freedom which do appear to be irresponsible and I think in this case you can categorise the stoppage in that way," Mr. Hawke said.

"I think it's particularly unfortunate that it's occurred at a time which inflicts problems on kids and their holiday period."

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#90270d3140 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PHNOM PENH (SEPT. 27) - French Secretary of State for International Cultural Relations Thierry de Beauce is due here Friday at the head of a high-powered delegation that will discuss political issues with Cambodian leaders, officials said.

Mr. de Beauce, the most senior Western goverment official to visit Cambodia in more than 15 years, will ostensibly be in Phnom Penh to open Sunday the Alliance Francaise branch, officials of the independent but government subsidised institute said.

His high-ranking delegation will include President Mitterrand's diplomatic adviser Loic Hennekine, head of the Foreign Ministry's Asia department Claude Martin and Leon Vandermeersch, head of the French School for Far Eastern Studies.

French sources here said the officials would almost certainly discuss political issues in planned meetings with Prime Minister Hun Sen and newly appointed Foreign Minister Hor Nam Hong.

They said the visit was recognition of the importance of the Phnom Penh government, which Paris does not recognise, in the peace process in a country torn by civil war. Vietnamese troops installed the current Cambodian government when they ousted the Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge in 1979.

Matters that could be raised included aid, the reconvening of the failed August 1989 Paris international conference on Cambodia and the current deadlock in talks between Phnom Penh and the tripartite resistance coalition on the formation of the Supreme National Council (SNC).

The SNC, grouping six representatives each from Phnom Penh and the resistance, is intended to represent Cambodian soverignty and hold the country's U.N. seat pending U.N.-organised general elections.

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#90270d3180 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 27) - Some 3,000 radical students and workers gathered Thursday at the Seoul National University campus to condemn the existing conservative political parties in the country and support the birth of a new dissident party.

After the rally, some 1,000 of them stormed out of the campus to fight the riot police deployed outside for an hour with Molotov cocktails before dispersing, witnesses said.

Riot police cars turned on powerful searchlights as the evening darkness enveloped the campus and fired a succession of tear-gas bombs to beat back the demonstrators.

The rally, which attracted students from more than a dozen universities, resolved that the new dissident party named Minjung (Peoples) Party must be elected to parliament now monopolized by two conservative political groups - the government party and the opposition.

The next parliamentary elections are set for 1992.

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#90270d3190 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (SEPT. 27) - Kenyan opposition figures fear a new wave of arrests in the wake of a scathing attack by President Daniel arap Moi on supporters of multi-party democracy, dissidents said Thursday.

Anti-government riots that cost at least 22 lives erupted here in July after the detentions without trial of Kenneth Matiba and Charles Rubia, two former cabinet ministers who had spearheaded calls for political pluralism in one-party Kenya.

A number of other opposition figures were also detained, but most are now free except Mr. Matiba and Mr. Rubia.

On Wednesday Mr. Moi said their lawyer, Paul Muite, was "the engine behind all the moves to destabilise the country."

He also slammed teachers' union leader Ambrose Adongo, who has called for a strike to press demands for better conditions, as a "dissident" and a "fool".

He branded multi-party campaigners "stooges" of foreign powers, warning that he would not hesitate to take drastic action, including detentions, local newspapers reported.

A prominent dissident, speaking on condition of anonymity, told Agence France-Presse that opposition figures feared new arrests by early next week. "We're expecting another crackdown on dissent," he said.

Mr. Muite ducked out of sight for two weeks in July, apparently to avoid arrest. Asked how he felt about Mr. Moi's comment, he said: "It is not in the public interest or even prudent for me to make any public statement or to make any comment on any of these matters."

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#90270d3220 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (SEPT. 27) - Two young men were killed "by accident" overnight in a restricted area of a NATO base in western Turkey by guards who thought they were planning a terrorist attack, the local prosecutor said.

Haluk Cetinkaya, the prosecutor in Izmir Kemalpasa on the Aegean Sea where the North Atlantic Treaty Organization base is located, said the two men died from gunshot wounds after being rushed to hospital.

"It was an accident," he said after being contacted by telephone from here.

The prosector said the two and a third friend were heading back home after midnight on two motorcycles after a night of heavy drinking at a restaurant.

They took a shortcut that ran along the NATO base's restricted zone, but one of the cycles stopped quickly when one of the passengers got sick. The headlight was shining through the security fence, and was taken as some sort of signal by the guards, who have been put on heavy alert against potential terrorist attacks following the Gulf crisis.

The prosecutor said the guards ordered the young men to stop and identify themselves "three times", but the two men got back on the cycle and took off without answering.

The guards fired from inside the base, and though the third friend alerted another guard about the mistake it was too late, the prosecutor said.

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#90270d3230 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 27) - Six Asian nations - Bangladesh, Burma, India, Indonesia, Nepal and Pakistan - have been labelled as "highest risk" countries for future environmental crises, a United Nations statement released here Thursday said.

The environmental risks facing the six are to be discussed at a U.N. ministry-level conference on Environment and Development in Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) here next month, it said.

Afghanistan, China, Kiribati, the Solomon Islands and Sri Lanka were "high risk" countries, the statement said, adding that the two groups accounted for 83 per cent of the region's total population.

"The gap between the words and effective remedial action is growing fast," the statement said, adding that "time is running out."

The statement warned that unless governments hurry to adopt practical measures towards environmentally sound and sustainable development they would be unable to avert "successive calamities."

The statement accused governments of overestimating the costs of remedial action and underestimating the enormous enviromental costs they stand to incur by failing to act quickly.

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#90270d3280 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 27) - A controversial repatriation plan sponsored by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) for Vietnamese boat people here should work, Hong Kong's security chief said Thursday.

Alistair Asprey was commenting on a tripartite pact reached in Hanoi last week between the UNHCR, Vietnam and Britain for Vietnamese screened out as non-refugees in the British colony.

The new plan, aimed at sending back 1,000 Vietnamese a month from here to Hanoi, created a new category of boat people: those who have not volunteered to be repatriated but do not object to being flown back.

"There are, we believe, and the UNHCR believe, a large number of people who are ... sitting on the fence," Mr. Asprey said. "They have not brought themselves actively to volunteer to go back to Vietnam, nor are they in a

position to resist going back."

The message of the scheme was, Mr. Asprey said, that "there's no prospect of resettlement for these people, they will have to come to terms with the fact that ... they can't spend the rest of their lives in detention in Hong Kong."

The UNHCR has conceded that such a category of people could prove imaginary, while stressing that the new scheme would never amount to forced repatriation.

More than 50 boat people Thursday carried their hunger strike into the third day. A government prison department spokesman said "Down With The UNHCR" had been among slogans shouted by the protesting inmates at the suburban Whitehead camp, the biggest in the British colony.

Hong Kong suspended forced repatriation after its first operation, involving 51 Vietnamese sent back last December, stirred an international outcry.

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#90270d3290 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (SEPT. 27) - India, Pakistan and Bangladesh are turning to Singapore refiners after losing their oil supplies from Kuwait, industry officials said Thursday.

A singapore Petroleum Company spokesman said Pakistan had invited international tenders for diesel and kerosene supplies, and has asked selected oil refiners here to submit bids covering the last quarter of 1990.

The spokesman said India and Bangladesh had invited tenders for much-required oil products, supplies of which have been disrupted by the Gulf crisis.

Enrico Sismondo, Caltex Services' Managing Director, said that while supplies from Singapore to the Indian subcontinent had traditionally been low, they may increase in the near future because India, Pakistan and Bangladesh need alternative supplies of oil products.

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#90270d3330 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 27) - Irish meat group Goodman International, which has filed for bankruptcy protection, said Thursday it had obtained supplementary credit totalling 30 million punt (51 million dollars) from its creditor banks.

The extra credit will enable Goodman to continue operations until December, carrying it through the busy autumn meat slaughtering season.

Goodman owes the banks 460 millon punt (793 million dollars) and has slightly more than three months of protection from creditors to try to reorganise its

operation.

The group's problems stem from a fragile financial structure and falling demand for meat as a result of the outbreak of "mad cow" disease in Britain this year, but it has also been hit by the international embargo on Iraq since Baghdad invaded Kuwait on August 2.

The group is owed 180 million punt (310 million dollars) by Iraq.

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#90270d3340 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (SEPT. 27) - South Africa's state-controlled oil industry has moved closer to deregulation with the announcement by the National Energy Council (NEC) here Thursday that it had eliminated Treasury money from next year's budget.

The NEC, which co-ordinates the purchase of oil for the oil companies amid strict secrecy imposed by the Petroleum Act, said the Treasury contribution in 1989-90 was half of the previous year's subsidy, and had been dropped altogether from the 1990-91 budget.

In Thursday's annual report the NEC said investigations into deregulating the oil industry and coal exports would be completed next year.

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#90270d3360 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (SEPT. 27) - West Germany's centre-right coalition cabinet Friday will review a draft for a third supplement to the 1990 budget of some 20 billion marks (12.7 billion dollars), mainly to cover the higher costs of German unification, it was learned here Thursday.

The draft drawn up by Finance Minister Theo Waigel also includes additional costs posed by Bonn's contribution to the Gulf effort, sources said.

With the supplementary budget, Bonn's public debt is targeted to rise by 25.8 billion marks to reach a total of 66.8 billion marks. The extra figure accounts for both the Gulf and German unification costs as well as for declining tax revenues from East Germany.

The additional money is regarded by Bonn government officials as putting the 1990 budget figure up to within range of what the first pan-German budget in 1991 will reach.

With the supplementary funds, Bonn's expenditures for both East and West Germany in the 1990 budget are targeted to rise to 396 billion marks, compared to 376 billion marks previously.

The sources said that amid the econonomic slowdown in East Germany, Bonn now is reducing its tax revenue calculations there by 7.1 billion marks.

Almost all the additional 20 billion marks are for the costs of German unification. Some 860 million marks are earmarked for Bonn's contribution to measures dealing with the Gulf crisis. So far West Germany has pledged a total of 3.3 billion marks to the Gulf effort.

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#90270d3470 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 27) - Japanese capital exports will fall by half this year to around 100 billion dollars from 192 billion in 1989, Japanese finance ministry special adviser Toyoo Gyohten said here Thursday.

"There is a good chance (that there will) be a considerable shift from dollar instruments to other instruments in the near future," and such a move was likely to benefit Europe, Mr. Gyohten said during a seminar organised by the IDEA economic study institute.

But he said that the Japanese current balance of payments surplus, which allows the financing of investment abroad, would fall by at least 30 percent this year to less than 40 billion dollars against 57 billion in 1989.

The fall would be due to slower growth for Japanese exports, a higher yen, more expensive oil imports and continuing investment abroad by Japanese industry, Mr. Gyohten said.

The rise in oil prices, now hovering between 35 and 40 dollars a barrel, could double Japan's oil bill, given that it totalled 21 billion dollars last year when the average price of a barrel of oil was 17 dollars, he added.

"Big corporations in Japan still have enough money to invest" and Japan would remain a major capital exporter, but this was not the time for speculative financial or property placements.

Japanese banks would now be forced to boost capital or reduce lending given the fall in their asset value linked to the dive on Japanese markets.

The ratio of capital to assets of major Japanese banks has fallen below eight percent -- a level which the Bank of International Settlements is to make obligatory in 1993 -- since the beginning of the year, he said.

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#90270d3540 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROTTERDAM (SEPT. 27) - The Rotterdam oil futures market is to close, less

than a year after it was launched, because it is losing money and there seems no prospect of turning it around, exchange officials said Thursday in a statement.

The Rotterdam Energy Futures Exchange (ROEFEX), Europe's second oil futures market after the International Petroleum Exchange (IPE) in London would be closed "as soon as possible" due to "pressure of circumstances," the statement said.

Contracts currently still open would be settled, it added.

The exchange is to ask shareholders -- the Amsterdam options exchange, the Rotterdam municipality and the city chamber of commerce, along with a number of financial institutions and oil companies -- to wind up the society, it said in a statement.

The ROEFEX was launched on October 30 last year and originally offered three types of dollar-denominated contracts over one or nine months on Brent North Sea crude oil, gasoil, and C quality bunker oil, the quality used for shipping fuel.

But two of the contracts were scrapped at the beginning of the year leaving only gasoil, and the exchange's turnover has been well below initial predictions of at least 1,000 contracts a day.

A total 268 deals were struck on the opening day, but this was the highest it ever reached, and even highly turbulent times on oil markets such as the current Gulf crisis failed to boost ROEFEX activities above around 100 a day against some 15,000 on the IPE.

Rotterdam is the world's leading transit port and one of the major oil refining and stocking centres. It has a spot oil market but this consists of a network of brokers in contact by telephone and computer with London, and has no headquarter premises.

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#90270d3570 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 27) - Financial group Paribas reported Thursday that its group-share net profit jumped by 30 percent in the first half of the year, to 2.49 billion francs (475 million dollars), against 1.9 billion for the same period last year.

Gross profit was 3.55 billion francs, against 2.86 billion in the first half last year, a 24 percent increase.

The group said that the group-share net profit consisted of 2.3 billion francs in capital results, and 168 million francs in income. The latter figure

represents a big plunge from the first half of last year, when that component of net profit was slightly more than a billion francs.

The drop is due to higher interest rates, an increase in bank provisions, and a rise in interest costs in connection with growth of portfolio business, the group said.

The group's banking subsidiaries contributed more than a billion francs to the gross profit, and portfolio companies 1.4 billion francs.

Net transfers to banking reserves in the first half amounted to 2.3 billion francs, against 1.8 billion for the first six months last year.

Group stockholders' equity on an accounting basis on June 30 was 45 billion francs (excluding the half-year result), against 40.4 billion at the end of last year.

Group net assets were estimated at 68.7 billion francs at the end of the first half.

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#90270d3580 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Berlin (SEPT. 27) - During the year preceding the start of the German monetary union in July 1990, the population of East Germany dropped by 410,000, according to the East German Department of Statistics.

Six days before unification, the East and West German departments of statistics jointly presented their yearbooks for the first - and last - time here Thursday.

In a united Germany, slightly more than 79 million people will inhabit an area comprising almost 357,000 square kilometres. In July 1990, the population of East Germany was 16.2 million.

The East German statistics show the country's continuing economic decline. During the second quarter of 1990, there were 2.96 million workers in East German industry. The figure was 3.2 million during the same quarter the year before.

The number of jobless rose from 7,400 in January 1990 to 361,000 in August. On the other hand, there was also a large increase in new businesses - 167,000 during the first eight months of 1990.

In West Germany, the number of employed persons reached 27.7 million, the highest level in the country's history.

Despite the huge differences in economic performance, the Germanys are already

''united'' in some respects. For example, 53 percent of the forests in the West and 54.3 percent in the East have been damaged by pollution.

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#90270d3670 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 27) - Britain and Iran Thursday restored diplomatic relations which were broken off 18 months ago after Iranian leaders issued a death warrant against British writer Salman Rushdie.

"Effective today, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the United Kingdom have resumed diplomatic relations on the basis of mutual respect, and will reopen their embassies in London and Teheran within one month," according to a communique released simultaneously by the Iranian mission here and the Foreign Office in London.

A Foreign Office spokesman quoted Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd as saying there would be "further discussion on the exact modalities," including numbers of diplomats to be exchanged and "outstanding bilateral problems."

Mr. Hurd also said that both sides felt these problems "would be more easily resolved with diplomatic relations than without them."

The decision to resume diplomatic ties came as Mr. Hurd and Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati were in New York to attend the U.N. General Assembly.

The two governments severed official ties after Iranian authorities called for the death of Mr. Rushie, a British national of Indian origin, for his novel "The Satanic Verses," which Islamic authorities deemed as blasphemous.

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#90270d3690 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 27) - British author Salman Rushdie has given his first television interview since he went into hiding 18 months ago and said in extracts screened here Thursday that his life had been "hell" during that time.

The screening of the interview coincided with the announcement in New York that Britain and Iran had decided to restore diplomatic ties that were broken over the Rushdie affair.

"All I can say is that people have said that I ought to be punished," Mr. Rushdie said. "If punishment was the aim I've had some. I am fine and most of the time I say that even to myself, because that is useful, but actually it has been hell."

Mr. Rushdie, appearing on camera cleanshaven, without his spectacles and

wearing a light jacket and shirt, said he was "very sorry" if his controversial novel "The Satanic Verses" had insulted Moslems.

"I did not want to do that and I am sad that that should be the case," he told an interviewer from the independent station London Weekend Television.

Mr. Rushdie, who was born in India but is a British citizen, was forced to go into hiding in February 1989 after the late spiritual leader of Iran, the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, called on Moslems to kill him for writing the book.

According to the British domestic news agency Press Association, the interview was conducted in strict security at Mr. Rushdie's "secret hideaway" in southern England were he is under round-the-clock protection from Scotland yard.

"In a very ironic way I thought 'The Satanic Verses' was my least political novel. I thought it was actually very internal. I guess I was wrong," Mr. Rushdie said.

He added that his greatest regrets included being "reviled by the people I wrote about" and not being able to return to his birthplace in Bombay.

"There has been stress that at various times has been quite alarming." It has torn apart everything I ever thought about everything, which is probably not a bad thing for a writer but this is a rather extreme way of doing it," he said.

He added that "one of the strangest aspects of this is that I never expected to have so many chums in the Special Branch."

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#90270d3730 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 27) - The Philippines government on Thursday scaled down earlier plans to trim the 1991 budget of government agencies by 20 percent, saying the targetted cuts could now be about 10 to 15 percent of the total.

Executive Secretary Catalino Macaraig said President Corazon Aquino originally sought a 20 percent average cut to save 2.33 billion dollars and shrink the growing budget deficit, but many department heads objected to across-the-board reductions.

He told reporters Mrs. Aquino subsequently asked the cabinet members to "look at their budgets and to submit what programs or projects they could defer." The proposed 1991 national budget is 10.3 billion dollars.

"The target is about 10 to 15 percent," Mr. Macaraig said.

The budget deficit has already hit 1.126 billion dollars as of August 22 and there are fears it would grow even further this year, pushing up an expected 15 percent inflation rate and rates of interest which are already above 30 percent for commercial loans.

Oil-dependent Philippines had originally forecast a budget deficit of 823.3 million dollars for 1990 through an economic reform program, involving the phaseout of an oil price subsidy, imposition of new taxes, a new tariff package, and tighter expenditures.

However, this was derailed by the Gulf crisis, congressional opposition and damage caused by a killer earthquake in July.

The Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI), in its strongest statement ever to Mrs. Aquino, said Thursday that "perceived political instability", the Gulf crisis, and the July earthquake damages "will have serious repercussions on the economy."

They cited the rising cost of fuel and the repatriation of thousands of Filipino contract workers from the Middle East in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, as well as threats of a new coup attempt and a bombing campaign in the capital.

The chamber also cited high interest rates, rising inflation and unemployment, a foreign exchange shortage and poor delivery of basic services which they said were "making people apprehensive."

"The root of many of these problems can be traced to the inadequacy of political will in both the executive and the legislative branches of Government to address these problems head-on," the PCCI added.

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#90270d3790 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (SEPT. 27) - Yemen put its economic interests ahead of Arab solidarity with Iraq on Tuesday by voting in the United Nations Security Council to back an air blockade on Baghdad, analysts said here Thursday.

The only Arab member of the 15-member Security Council, Yemen joined in the 14-1 vote for Resolution 670 -- with Cuba casting the sole negative vote -- to extend a land and sea blockade of Iraq to the air in response to Baghdad's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Yemen, which is closely allied to Iraq, did not support three of the previous seven Security Council resolutions, namely 661 which imposed the land and sea embargo.

Yemeni President Ali Abdallah Saleh had in fact voiced objections to an air

embargo one week before the latest vote, which he said increased the risks of catastrophe and war in the region.

He said such a measure was "extremely dangerous", as it was impossible to control the inspection operations of civilian aircraft.

Resolution 670 also calls on states to detain any Iraqi-registered ships that enter their ports and are found to be carrying to goods for Iraq.

The U.N. measures do not cover food, in humanitarian circumstances, and medicine.

The government in Sanaa, which has opposed the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, said it would abide by the embargo and has repeatedly called for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis within an Arab framework.

General Saleh reiterated on Italian television on Sunday that his country respected the Security Council's resolutions.

But Yemeni media played down Tuesday's vote on Resolution 670 and did not give the actual tally or refer to the position adopted by its representative.

Yemen strongly opposes "the starving of the Iraqi people" and contends that the core of the problem is the existing international economic imbalance, which Gen. Saleh argued Tuesday pitted the haves against the have-nots and triggered the conflict in the Gulf.

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#90270d3850 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MILAN (SEPT 27) - Computer group Olivetti and auto group Fiat reported Thursday that they had suffered declines in first-half profits by comparison with the year-earlier period.

Olivetti said here that its pre-tax profit was down by 41 percent for the year's first six months by comparison with the same period last year, despite a 5.8 percent rise in sales for the period.

The six-month pre-tax profit figure was 102 billion lire (about 86.8 million dollars), while sales were 4.17 trillion lire.

The announcement said the results, under "difficult conditions", were better than competitors' figures for the first half. It said the sales increase would have been 8.8 percent if the lira had remained steady against other currencies instead of rising.

In added that in Europe, Olivetti is the only computer-maker to enjoy a sales increase for the first half compared with the same period last year. Bull was

down by eight percent, Nixdorf 11, and ICL one percent, it said.

Meanwhile, Fiat Group announced in Turin on Thursday that it had a "satisfactory" first half, with a pre-tax profit of 2.45 trillion lire, against 2.81 trillion for the year-earlier period.

Group consolidated sales were up slightly, to 30.31 trillion lire, against 27.11 trillion for the first half last year.

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#90270d3900 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 27) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker will meet his Vietnamese counterpart Nguyen co Thach here Saturday on the sidelines of the U.N. General Assembly session, the State Department said Thursday.

It will the highest-level meeting between the two countries since Mr. Baker announced a dialogue with Hanoi as part of a revised U.S. policy on Cambodia last July.

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#90270d3910 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 27) - Plans by West German airline Lufthansa and Japanese concerns Japan Airlines (JAL) and Nissho Iwai to take a stake in express courier service DHL at first sight infringe rules on fair competition, the European Commission said Thursday.

The Commission stressed that it had not "at this stage taken a stance" on whether to officially take the matter further, but invited "all interested third parties" to inform it of their views within 30 days.

The agreement between Brussels-headquartered DHL and the West German and Japanese concerns announced in May in principle violates European Economic Community rules on free competition.

But the companies in July asked the European Commission for exemption, saying that the deal would offer consumers a better express courier service.

The market for such services is growing by 30 percent a year, guaranteeing intense competition, they said.

Under the agreement, Lufthansa and JAL are to each take a five percent stake in DHL International (DHLI), which has headquarters in Hong Kong and the West Indies, with the option of boosting their stake to 25 percent within 18 months.

Trading house Nissho Iwai would take a five percent stake with the option of

increasing it to 7.5.

At the same time, Lufthansa and JAL would each take one percent, and Nissho Iwai 0.5 percent, in DHL Corp USA, a subsidiary providing express freight services in the United States.

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#90270d3930 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT 27) - The autonomous Soviet republic of Yakutia has declared itself sovereign, the Moscow news agency Interfax reported Thursday.

The supreme Soviet in the republic's capital of Yakutsk, eastern Siberia, made the move after three days' debate. The territory now has the status of a full Soviet republic within the Russian federation.

Yakutia is the fourth autonomous republic within the federation to declare sovereignty. Like the republics of Karelia, Tataria and Komi, Yakutia will now have sole right to its mineral reserves, largely diamonds, precious metals and natural gas.

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#90270d3950 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 27) - President Mikhail Gorbachev on Thurday issued a decree on honouring contracts, his first since parliament voted him decree-making powers on Monday for the transition to a market economy.

Several enterprises have been refusing to honour contracts either for financial reasons or because of nationalist conflicts within Soviet republics, and the decree called for contracts between businesses in the different republics to be honoured, the TASS news agency said.

"It is inadmissible that organs of power disrupt economic links between enterprises," the decree said, and warned that the federal cabinet could introduce special regulations for the workplace in some cases, as is the case with the railways.

A law granting the right to strike passed last year does not allow work stoppages in key sectors of the economy, including the railways.

Parliament granted Mr. Gorbachev decree-making powers for 18 months to carry out the transition to a market economy after failing to reach agreement on a reform programme.

It had been faced with a radical project supported by the president and a rival, more moderate plan from the government of Nikolai Ryzhkov, who had had threatened to resign rather than implement the radical plan.

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#90270d3990 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT. 27) - Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov proposed Thursday that negotiations between Moscow and Vilnius on Lithuania's bid for independence open here Tuesday, the semi-official news agency Interfax said.

Mr. Ryzhkov made the offer in a telephone call to Lithuanian Prime Minister Kazimiera Prunskiene on the instructions of President Mikhail Gorbachev, who met with Mrs. Prunskiene last Tuesday, the agency said.

Preliminary talks have been going on since late June, when the republic's parliament declared a temporary "moratorium" on its declaration of independence following a Moscow-imposed energy blocade.

Earlier in the day the republic's president, Vytautas Landsbergis, told a news conference in the Lithuanian capital that he believed the "Kremlin has realized" that Lithuania's "determination to gain full independence is unbending".

Asked about the sweeping new powers parliament gave Mr. Gorbachev last week, Mr. Landsbergis said he believed in the Soviet president's "political sense and good will".

In other developments, Latvian Prime Minister Ivars Godmanis met with Mr. Gorbachev at the Kremlin Wednesday and said afterwards he was pleased with their talks.

However cooperation between Riga and Moscow could take the form of an "economic association" only on condition Moscow first recognized Latvian sovereignty, he said.

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#90270d4020 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Johannesburg (SEPT. 27) - Another 15 political prisoners were released Thursday under the terms of an agreement between the South African government and the black nationalist movement, the African National Congress (Anc).

The Justice Ministry referred to the 15 as ''security prisoners'', but other reports said they had been convicted of terrorism or illegal arms possession and had served at least half of their five to 20-year sentences.

The government and the Anc agreed during talks in August on the release of all political prisoners by April next year. Independent human rights groups put the number of such detainees at 1,500.

A first batch of 15 political prisoners was released on September 3.

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#90270d4030 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRETORIA (SEPT 27) - Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok has given approval to extreme-right leaders in South Africa to form defensive commando units, Afrikaner Resistance Movement (AWB) leader Eugene TerreBlanche said on Thursday.

Mr. TerreBlanche and Jaap Marais, leader of the Reconstituted National Party (HNP), told a media conference here that they had been summoned to Mr. Vlok's office on Thursday to discuss the paramilitary-type units.

Mr. Vlok had accepted assurances that the commandoes were a defensive force, they said, but when questioned the two would not rule out the possibility that the commandoes would be used for a first strike.

The leader of the AWB commandoes, Colonel Servaas de Wet, disclosed that within the past two months "literally thousands have joined the commandoes in several training camps" throughout the country, mainly in the Orange Free State and Transvaal.

"Men, women and even young children of 14 are being trained by professional instructors in the art of self-defence, handling light weapons and knives," he said.

Commandoes were nothing new to the Afrikaner people, who had for centuries used them when threatened as an effective means of defence, Col. De Wet said.

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#90270d4060 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUENOS AIRES (SEPT 27) - Argentina's privatization program will go into high gear next week with a second batch of state-run concerns going up for sale, President Carlos Menem said Thursday.

Mr. Menem said public water, power and gas utilities, as well as road construction, railroad and metro lines would go up for bidding next week as part of his "unswerving" privatization policy.

Speaking before taking off on a trip to Venezuela and the United States -- where he will attend the 45th U.N. General Assembly, Mr. Menem said his privatization policy was "running right along" and would take two to three years to complete.

However, he admitted that there were some problems which were being "overcome as quickly as possible."

The government's sale of Aerolineas Argentinas and the Entel telephone company have run into snags, with the bidders apparently meeting difficulties raising the hefty cash downpayments needed to seal the deals before upcoming deadlines.

The government Wednesday gave Spain's Iberia airlines three days to come up with its 130-million-dollar downpayment for Aerolineas Argentinas, while it considered pushing back the deadline for the sale of Entel to give U.S. Bell Atlantic more time to finance its 114-million-dollar deposit.

As part of the privatization program, the buyers also must purchase billions of dollars of Argentina's foreign debt on the secondary market.

Besides the airline and telephone companies, Mr. Menem has also sold off several oil fields in the 14 months he has been in office.

Mr. Menem warned that nothing would stop the privatization plan, part of a drastic austerity program the president launched in March to curb runaway inflation, bring down the budget deifict and revive Argentina's faltering economy.

Disgruntled unions, he said, "could call all the strikes they want, but there'll be no changes here."

Several public-employee unions have called 24-hour strikes this week to press for higher wages and better work conditions, with the teachers' union blasting the government for "behaving like a military dictatorship."

Mr. Menem said the government's privatization scheme would ultimately benefit "the public worker" through better salaries.

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#90270d4070 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONROVIA (SEPT. 27) - Charles Taylor, leader of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) rebels, on Thursday threatened to open fire on "all ships" entering Liberian territorial waters.

"Any ship entering our territorial waters after 1200 GMT will be taking its risks. We will open fire," Mr. Taylor told Agence France-Presse.

"The problem is that these people (West African peacekeeping troops of ECOMOG) have not come for peace," he added.

Reporters saw a ship early Thursday near Monrovia but could not make out its name or country of origin.

A Nigerian merchant vessel operating for ECOMOG (Economic Community of West

African States ceasefire monitoring group), the River Oli, had left Freetown in neighboring Sierra Leone for Liberia with 1,000 Ghanaian soldiers and a large supply of food aboard.

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#90270d4140 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROERMOND, Netherlands (SEPT. 27) - A court here has postponed until November 27 the murder trial of Paul Hughes, a suspected member of the Irish Republican Army (IRA), accused of killing two Australian tourists.

The court granted the postponement on the request of state prosecuting counsel and rejected a defence request that Mr. Hughes, 26, be freed because he was innocent.

Two Australian lawyers on vacation in the Netherlands, Nicholas Spanos, 28, and Stephen Melrose, 24, were gunned down in Roermond on May 27 by an IRA "hit squad" which apparently mistook them for British soldiers.

In requesting the postponement of the trial, the prosecution said that the case was "very complex".

Mr. Hughes has been charged with murder, being an accomplice to murder and criminal association.

Three other suspected members of the IRA arrested in May or June have also been charged in connection with the double murder.

Gerald Harte and a man calling himself Andrew Edward Thornton, but whose real identity is suspected to be Sean Hicks, were arrested in the Netherlands. No date has yet been fixed for their court appearance.

Donna Maguire was arrested in neighbouring Belgium and her extradition has been requested by the Dutch authorities.

Prosecuting counsel Mr. J. Laumen told the judge Mr. E. Bakermans that he needed more time to prepare the case against Mr. Hughes, notably because he had sought the judicial cooperation of Britain, Ireland, Belgium, West Germany and France.

For the defence, Mr. W. van Bennekom cited the sworn statements of three Irish people that his client had been at a football match and a party in Newry, Northern Ireland, on May 27, and therefore could not have taken part in the murder.

Mr. Hughes also firmly denied being a member of the IRA, counsel said.

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#90270d4300 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 27) - The Paris Bourse enjoyed its second straight winning session on Thursday, thanks primarily to lower oil prices, operators said.

The CAC-40 stock price index ended with a rise of 1.65 percent on the day, after having up by as much as two percent during the session. It was up by 0.12 percent at the session's outset.

On Wednesday, the Bourse chalked up a 0.93 percent gain, following losing sessions on Monday and Tuesday.

Operators said the dip in oil prices following U.S. President George Bush's decision to release five million barrels from the U.S. strategic stock was largely responsible for new buying interest on the Bourse.

New Iraqi threats against Westerners did not worry French and foreign investors unduly, they said.

Sharp losses were suffered on Thursday by Cap Gemini Sogeti (5.8 percent), the La Cite Group (5.6), and Euromarche (5.2 percent), the latter having announced continued losses. Valeo, La Rochette and Imetal, all of whom reported lower profits, were also neglected.

Paribas Group surprised investors by reporting a 30 percent jump in first-half profit compared with last year, and the stock rose 1.8 percent. Distribution issues were popular, headed by La Redoute, which jumped 9.4 per cent.

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#90270d4420 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 27) - Copper prices continued to rally on the London Metal Exchange (LME) Thursday.

Three-months metal was quoted at 1,488 pounds per tonne in after-hours kerb trading, against 1,483 in afternoon ring deals and 1,458 on Wednesday.

Traders said the metal was rallying strongly as a recent bout of selling came to an end.

Nevertheless the market is expected to encounter resitance Friday if it tries to break up above the levels quoted on the kerb, traders said.

Aluminium was also firmer, quoting at 1,943 dollars per tonne on the kerb against 1,950 dollars on the ring and 1,898 on Wednesday.

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#90270d4490 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 27) - Iraq is permitting farmers to cultivate plots near the border with Iran and Turkey which were hitherto off-limits, the army's daily Al Qadissiya reported Thursday.

Quoting a senior official at the Ministry of Irrigation and Agriculture, Abdel Sattar Salman, the paper said the decision-making Revolutionary Command Council (RCC) had recently authorized farmers to plant a strip of 10-20 kilometers (six to 12 miles), the length of the border with Iran and Turkey.

Iraqi authorities have also made plants and seeds available to the farmers, 80 percent of whom are to grow wheat, and has guaranteed the regular irrigation of those lands, Mr. Salman said.

Baghdad has stepped up efforts at food self-sufficiency in response to a United Nations air, land and sea embargo triggered by its invasion of Kuwait.

In the spring of 1989, Baghdad announced its intention to isolate itself behind a no-man's land of some 30 kilometers (17 miles) where all housing was destroyed and movement banned to prevent potential incursions by Kurdish guerillas.

Mr. Salman said agriculture in that region was "a sacred duty that would allow Iraq to face the aggression by imperialist-Zionist countries trying to strangle it."

The RCC recently exempted reservists working in the agricultural sector from joining others mobilized to take up arms against a possible foreign attack on Iraq.

Baghdad has also called on Iraqis to cultivate every part of their country.

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#90270d4570 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (SEPT. 27) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,548.00 (1,500.00) 1,482.50 (1,457.50)
Lead 432.00 (424.00) 442.00 (437.50)
Zinc Hg 1,412.50 (1,411.00) 1,391.00 (1,384.00)
Tin 6,130.00 (5,992.50) 6,217.50 (6,107.50)
Aluminium 2,077.50 (2,007.50) 1,947.50 (1,896.50)
Nickel 10,400.00 (10,600.00) 10,062.00 (10,175.00)

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#90270d4600 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT 27) - North Korea Thursday warned against foreign military intervention to resolve the Gulf crisis, Japan's Kyodo News Service reported.

The North Korean warning came at a meeting of a visiting Japanese parliamentary delegation and officials of the North Korean ruling Workers' Party (KWP), Kyodo quoted Japanese delegation sources as saying.

Kyodo said that the North Koreans, led by the KWP secretary in charge of international affairs, Kim Yong Sun, told the Japanese that Pyongyang opposed Iraq's invasion of Kuwait but felt the crisis should be resolved among the Arab states.

"The use of military forces by third parties on the pretext of the (Iraqi) invasion of Kuwait is dangerous," a Japanese source quoted the North Koreans as saying, according to Kyodo.

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#90270d4670 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KAMPALA (SEPT 27) - The Uganda Human Rights Activists (Uhra) group appealed Thursday to dissidents opposed to the government to stop excesses against civilians.

In its quarterly report, the Kampala-based organisation said such excesses tended to suggest criminal rather than political intentions.

The organisation commended efforts by the government to discipline soldiers who committed murder, rape, and destruction of property.

The report said that though the human rights situation is slowly improving, it still needs an effort to make the situation acceptable by international standards.

It said that in the northern and northeastern parts of Uganda, civilians continued to be targets of both government troops and rebel factions.

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#90270d4740 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 27) - Japan and the United States agreed Thursday to explore ways to speed up exports of U.S. autoparts to Japan at a meeting to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, in November, Japanese officials said.

The agreement came after the two countries ended two days of talks here on bilateral trade in automobile components, the officials said.

The meeting in Cleveland is scheduled for November 28-29.

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#90270d4980 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (SEPT 27) - Chris Hani, Chief-of-Staff of the African National Congress's army, Umkhonto we Sizwe (MK), has been given renewed immunity from prosecution until the end of the year, an official said Thursday.

The Department of Justice said in a statement to the South African news agency SAPA that Mr. Hani had been given indemnity until December 31.

Mr. Hani, a member of the ANC's 38-strong National Executive Committee and the Central Committee of the South African Communist Party (SACP), was a key figure in the ANC's team for talks with the government.

But Justice Minister Kobie Coetsee refused to renew a three-month temporary immunity for Mr. Hani when it expired on August 19, apparently in retaliation for remarks Mr. Hani made casting doubt on the ANC's August 6 decision to suspend its 29-year-old armed struggle.

ANC leaders then nominated Mr. Hani to head their working party for talks with the government on the ramifications of the decision, but Mr. Hani himself refused a 41-hour indemnity that would have allowed him to come into the country from nominally-independent Transkei for more talks with the government.

In a statement Thursday the ANC said: "We look forward to his free and unhindered active participation in the work of the African National Congress."

Observers said the decision to renew immunity removed a potentially damaging obstacle to the fulfilment of preliminary talks leading to full negotiations on a new constitution to enfranchise the voteless black majority.

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#90270d5000 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT. 27) - The exiled emir of Kuwait told the U.N. General Assembly Thursday he was writing off the interest on his country's loans to poor nations to ease their debt burden.

As Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah took the floor to a standing ovation, the Iraqi delegation stormed out of the conference hall.

The emir, who wore the traditional Kuwaiti full-length, white dress, also blasted what he called an "intense campaign of terror" by Iraqi troops occupying his tiny, oil-rich country since they invaded August 2.

Recalling that he had proposed from the same rostrum two years ago a

cancellation of the foreign debts of the poorest nations, the emir said: "Kuwait has decided, in line with our previous proposal regarding this issue, to write off all interests on its loans.

"In addition, Kuwait will consider with the poorest nations arrangements regarding the principal of its loans with a view to easing the burden of their debts," he added.

The emir also tallied the human cost of the invasion of Kuwait.

In addition to the hundreds of thousands of Kuwaitis and foreigners made homeless, he noted that hundreds of people had lost their lives.

"At this very moment, an intense campaign of terror, torture and humiliation continues unabated in that dear land.

"We receive daily reports of massacres and continuing systematic armed looting and destruction of state assets and individual property," the emir added.

Noting the key role by the U.N. Security Council in imposing draconian economic sanctions against Iraq, the exiled ruler told the assembly: "We trust that you will not waver in deciding on the measures needed to compel the invading aggressors to restore the legitimate authority and to put an end to their barbaric acts."

He pointed to the "adverse effects" of the Iraqi invasion on the Palestinian question and the Israeli occupation of southern Lebanon.

On the plight of Third World nations, the emir noted that his country was among the biggest donors of development aid.

"Kuwait's contributions represent the highest rate in the world in terms of gross national product, amounting to 8.3 percent of its GNP.

"This highlights Kuwait's genuine desire to contribute toward raising the standard of living in the developing nations. It also proves that Kuwait has been a leader in the efforts to improve the economic infrastructure of other countries," he added.

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HELSINKI (SEPT 27) - Economic turmoil in the Soviet Union and Moscow's intention to end barter trade and switch to convertible currencies are upsetting Finnish-Soviet trade.

Soviet Vice-Prime Minister Stephan Sitaryan ended two-day of talks here Thursday with Finnish conservative Prime Minister Harri Holkeri but they

produced no concrete results. Main issues were sent back to working groups.

The Soviet Union has long been an important trade partner for neighbouring Finland but its share of Finland's total trade has fallen over the past decade.

Trade is bilateral and payment via a rouble-based clearing system which means that in the long run the imports and exports have to be in balance.

Earlier this year Moscow, however, announced that from the beginning of next year it will switch over to convertible currencies and to a credit system of foreign trade, a move which has caused near panic among some Finnish exporters who had secured markets in the Soviet Union.

At the talks here this week the Finns tried to persuade the Russians to accept a two-years period of transition.

Although the current system will certainly be dismantled, the Finns hope that at least energy imports -- about 70 to 80 percent of the total depending on the price of oil -- will be retained in the clearing trade during the transition.

After the talks here the two officials said they will meet again at the end of November and said they hoped the issues could be settled before the meeting.

"We agreed that our delegates should find out a pattern for a period of transition", Mr. Holkeri said.

But Mr. Sitaryan did not mention the word transition is his answers, observers noted.

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#90270d5200 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (SEPT 27) - The East German Communist Party on Thursday denied a West German newspaper report that it had illegally received funds of more than 150 million dollars from a bank controlled by the former Stasi secret police.

Bild-Zeitung, in its Friday edition, reports that the Party of Democratic Socialism (PDS) -- the successor to the Party of Social Unity, or Communist Party -- had received 480 million Ostmarks on April 24, more than three weeks after the Stasi was officially dissolved.

The sum, which Bild said was tranferred to the state-owned German Trade Bank, is worth 240 million Deutsche marks (155.8 million dollars) at the two-to-one exchange rate of Germany monetary union.

"After the Stasi-wealth was received, it was split up into smaller quantities and transferred to various accounts," Bild said, quoting confidential documents

held by the East German finance ministry and state audit office.

The PDS, in a denial, said that "at no time" did its account at the Integrated Bank for the Office of National Security have any connection with the Stasi, the East German news agency ADN reported.

It quoted a party spokesman as saying that a transfer from the account did take place on April 24, and involved the sum of 460 million marks (148 million dollars).

But, he said, the transfer involved legitimate assets that were sent to a new party account at another bank, as the Integrated Bank was scheduled to close on April 30.

Bild's allegation came in the runup to German unification next Wednesday, which will be followed by regional elections in East Germany on October 15 and all-German general elections on December 2.

The last East German elections, in March, were overshadowed by allegations that some of the candidates were former collaborators of the hated Stasi.

Furthering those allegations, the Berlin newspaper Der Morgen, in its Friday's edition, reports that 15 East German members of parliament had Stasi links.

Three of the 15 are ministers, the paper said, according to a report by ADN.

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#90270d5250 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (SEPT. 27) - The rebel National Patriotic Front of Liberia (Npfl) threatened Thursday to shoot at ships, planes or vehicles that enter the war-torn country without its permission.

The threat was made by Npfl spokesman Tom Woewiyu in an interview with the British Broadcasting Corporation monitored here.

Woewiyu said the Npfl would also fire on troops of the West African peacekeeping force who are in Monrovia to supervise a ceasefire in force since last Saturday.

The Npfl is opposed the peacekeeping force sent in by the economic community of West African states (Ecowas). Rebel artillery hit a Ghanaian navy ship with the force recently killing four people.

Woewiyu said the ceasefire with the other rebel group led by Prince Yormie Johnson and remnants of slain president Samuel Doe ''is good.''

Negotiations have been going on between the factions, he said. ''We are

pleased that everyone seems to be in agreement that the bloodshed should stop and we can discuss the future of the country,'' he added.

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#90270d5260 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (SEPT. 27) - The governor of the Portuguese enclave of Macau said here Thursday that he had requested to be relieved of his functions but denied charges of corruption that have been levelled against him.

The governor, Carlos Melancia, arrived in Lisbon earlier Thursday from Macau, and was later to meet with the Portuguese President Mario Soares.

Shortly after his arrival, Mr. Melancia told a press conference that he would ask to be relieved of his functions.

He rejected the corruption charges however saying "I am convinced that the courts will find me innocent."

Mr. Melancia also complained that he was being unjustly put on trial by the Portuguese media.

The Macau governor had been subject to a corruption inquiry ordered by the Portuguese government into claims that bribes had been taken in handing out contracts for a new airport for Macau.

Macau is to revert to Chinese rule in 1999 under an agreement reached between the Chinese and Portuguese governments.

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#90270d5320 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 27) - French group Pechiney (packagings, aluminum and industrial components) reported Thursday that it made a net profit for the first half of the year of 1.25 billion francs (about 238 million dollars, up six percent from the first half of last year.

The group said that the results had been helped by the packaging activity, which offset the dollar's drop and lower aluminum prices.

In addition to the net profit, Pechiney also enjoyed some exceptional capital gains, made on the sale of its headquarters building in Paris (2.6 billion francs) and on opening 25 percent of Pechiney International to the public (575 million francs).

Including those factors, the total net profit was 3.9 billion francs.

Sales were only 40.1 billion francs in the first half, compared with 44.6

billion for the same period last year. The operating margin was 3.4 billion francs, against 4.8 billion.

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#90270d5370 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 27) - The white liberal Democratic Party (DP) on Thursday pulled out of a by-election in a constituency vacated by its former joint leader Wynand Malan, clearing the way for the ruling National Party (NP).

DP leader Zach de Beer said the decision not to contest the upmarket suburban seat of Randburg north of here would set no precedent, as the NP had ruled out an electoral pact, despite talks with DP leaders.

The move will ensure that the DP does not siphon off NP votes to the benefit of the far right Conservative Party, which strongly opposes the reforms introduced by the NP.

Mr. De Beer told Agence France-Presse the decision to withdraw was intended to serve as encouragement to Mr. De Klerk after his "excellent" speeches during his three-day visit to the United States earlier this week.

During his U.S. visit, Mr. De Klerk said, "Commitment to remove the last pillars of apartheid is final and irreversible."

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#90270d5470 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRID (SEPT. 27) - Spain withdrew its last remaining diplomat from Kuwait City Thursday, the foreign ministry here said.

Charge d'affaires Juan Jose Buitrago left for Baghdad ''for reasons of force majeure'', the ministry said, emphasising that this did not mean the mission in Kuwait City was closed. Two Spanish staff who were in the embassy with Buitrago departed with him.

Buitrago was alone in the mission when Iraq annexed Kuwait and insisted that all foreign missions close because Kuwait City was no longer a capital. The accredited ambassador was on holiday. Iraqi troops cordoned off western embassies and stopped supplies to them.

The Madrid ministry said two Spanish women and three persons with dual Spanish nationality were still in Kuwait. All five had declined an offer to be taken out.

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#90270d5580 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (SEPT. 27) - Gustavo Restrepo, a senior commander of Colombia's rebel People's Liberation Army (EPL), died of a heart attack Wednesday while participating in peace talks with government officials, the EPL announced here Thursday. He was 46 years old.

The EPL said Mr. Estrepo collapsed and died while attending a meeting in Antioquia province with representatives of the government of President Cesar Gaviria.

Mr. Restrepo was a member of the supreme command of the EPL, a Marxist movement with an estimated 1,500 guerrillas centered in northeastern Colombia.

The movement has been negotiating to gain legal political status before the end of the year.

He was the second Colombian guerrilla leader to die of heart failure in the past two months.

The historic leader of the communist Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, Jacobo Arenas, 62, died August 10 of a heart attack.

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#90270d5610 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (SEPT. 27) - Iran on Thursday denied it had deployed forces in Saudi Arabia to join other troops defending the kingdom against any Iraqi attack, the official IRNA news agency reported.

IRNA quoted a Foreign Ministry official as categorically rejecting what it said were Western media allegations about the deployement.

"Iran's sending of troops to Saudi Arabia was never brought up before, during or after the visit to Teheran of Syrian President Hafez al-Assad," he said.

The spokesman was referring to a four-day visit by Mr. Assad to Teheran during which the Syrian leader held talks with his counterpart Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani on the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Rafsanjani said Tuesday during a press conference ending Mr. Assad's visit that "a decision was taken" on the possible deployment of Iranian troops to Saudi Arabia but he declined to elaborate on the matter.

But the foreign ministry spokesman said some segments of the Western media had misquoted Mr. Rafsanjani, adding that "such claims are totally baseless."

If Iranian troops were dispatched they would be joining thousands of American, British, French, Egyptian and Syrian forces, as part of a multi-national military buildup in the region to contain Iraq.

The buildup was triggered by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

While criticizing the Iraqi invasion and demanding an immediate troop withdrawal from Kuwait, Teheran has strongly condemned the foreign presence in the Gulf, particularly in Saudi Arabia -- site of Islam's two holiest shrines.

Spiritual leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei said September 12 that popular Islamic resistance to the U.S. presence in the Gulf amounted to holy war.

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#90270d5620 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT 27) - The French aircraft carrier Clemenceau, currently in the Gulf, will "return to Toulon in the next few days", the ministry of defence announced here Thursday.

The vessel, sent from the French Mediterranean port of Toulon to the Gulf on August 13, would return "once it has finished its current mission in the Red Sea", a spokesman said.

The ministry statement said that while the Clemenceau was due back shortly, the French aircraft carrier Foch and its support group, "undergoing training exercises in the Mediterranean", could reach the Gulf "very rapidly if the order were to be given".

Forty-two Gazelle and Puma helicopters from the Clemenceau on Sunday took off for Saudi Arabia's Yanbu airport, and the ship subsequently disembarked 65 lorries and jeeps for French ground troops.

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#90270d5650 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OTTAWA (SEPT. 27) - Canada's Parliament opened session this week facing the leftovers of a problem-filled summer launched in June with a constitutional crisis that revived separatist sentiments in Quebec and wound up Wednesday when militant Mohawk Indians ended an 11-week armed standoff with the army.

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, returning from a summer-long reclusion at his vacation home, walked into a hail of criticism at the House of Commons, where he faced the traditional round of questions by members.

His absence from Ottawa during the difficult summer months appeared to deepen the controversy surrounding the Conservative leader, who was overwhelmingly elected in 1984 and 1988 but whose approval rating now has sunk as low as 12 per cent, according to some polls.

The crisis in June shook the foundations of the Canadian federation.

Despite lengthy negotiations between Mr. Mulroney and the 10 provincial premiers, a constitutional amendment recognizing French-speaking Quebec as a "distinct society" within a largely English-speaking country was not ratified by two small provinces, Manitoba and Newfoundland.

This failure, which Quebec resented as an affront by English Canada, unleashed a resurgence of nationalist feelings among French Canadians. Recent polls have shown that if elections were held now, voters would elect the Parti Quebecois (PQ), which advocates political "sovereignty" for the province in an economic association with the rest of the country.

A parliamentary commission was formed last month to study Quebec's constitutional future following an historic accord between Quebec's Liberal Prime Minister Robert Bourassa, who is disenchanted with federalism, and PQ leader Jacques Parizeau. The commission will soon begin its work.

Mr. Mulroney's government has announced it will take initiatives to guarantee national unity. The English-speaking provinces also have said they intend to make constitutional proposals.

Within the English-speaking provinces, a distinct split remains between the east and west. The western provinces of British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba accuse Ontario and Quebec of being coddled by Ottawa.

Canada's recently politicized Indian minority made itself heard in June, when an Indian deputy from Manitoba, Elijah Harper, blocked his province's ratification of the amendment declaring Quebec a "distinct society" because the special status of Amerindians had not been taken into account.

Indian rights grabbed international attention nearly three months ago when Mohawks erected barricades at Oka, a Montreal suburb, to block a golf course expansion onto land the Indians claim as sacred. A July 11 clash with police left one policeman dead.

Canadian troops were called in to end the Oka protest and a sympathy blockage of Mercier Bridge -- a main entry point into Montreal.

The stand-off ended Wednesday when about 20 "Warriors" -- the armed wing of the Mohawks -- surrendered after being holed up at a drug and alcohol rehabilitation center near Oka since early September.

Following their surrender, which was marred by scuffles between Indians and troops, an Indian leader from western Canada, Phil Fontaine, said, "One can see how Canada really is, which is not the image it holds up to foreigners."

Mr. Mulroney, while denouncing what he called the "terrorist" activities of the Mohawk warriors, earlier this week announced a series of proposals to

satisfy some of the Mohawk demands, notably the speeding up of rulings in territorial disputes.

But he emphasized that Indians would not be given any form of sovereignty, although the native people have said their ancestral rights as the first nations on the American continent should be included in the Canadian constitution.

The conflict at Oka has also inspired other Indian tribes to a growing militancy. "One can expect a difficult decade," one Canadian commentator said.

Quebec, seeking to further develop its immense hydroelectric resources in James Bay, a territory belonging to the Cree Indians, runs the risk of sparking another conflict with the Amerindian community, observers said.

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#90270d5810 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (SEPT 27) - Italy has firmly rejected an Iraqi request to provide the names of Italian nationals currently harboured in the Italian embassy in Baghdad, the foreign ministry said late Thursday.

The Italian ambassador in the Iraqi capital had been instructed to pass the message on.

The ministry said that the request was "contrary to international norms regarding the status of embassies" and constituted "unacceptable interference in the functions and prerogatives of diplomatic legations."

Similar demands regarding the embassies of the United States and Britain have also been firmly rejected by their respective governments.

The total number of Italians in Iraq and Kuwait is 336, of whom 168 are in Baghdad, the ministry said.

The Italian embassy in Kuwait meanwhile remains under a total blockade mounted by Iraqi troops, who have prevented any supplies from entering since Wednesday the ministry added.

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#90270d5900 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VEREENIGING, South Africa (SEPT. 27) - Alleged Inkatha warlord Themba Khoza, who along with 36 others faces charges of attempted murder and illegal possession of weapons, was freed here on 2,000 rands (781 dollars) bail Thursday, police said.

Mr. Khoza, head of Zulu leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom

Party youth brigade in Transvaal, was arrested after an alleged Inkatha attack on migrant workers' hostels in Sebokeng black township near this town south of Johannesburg on September 4 which left 43 people dead, police said.

He was allegedly found in possession of four AK-47 automatic rifles, but was arrested under the Public Safety Act, which in contrast to the draconian Internal Security Act, allows detention without charge for only 30 days.

Mr. Khoza and his 36 co-defendants are to appear in the Vanderbijlpark magistrates' court near here on October 31, police said.

Meanwhile, Chief Buthelezi attacked the black nationalist African National Congress's proposal for a constituent assembly to oversee negotiations for a new South African constitution.

He told visiting U.S. state legislators in Ulundi, capital of the KwaZulu tribal homeland, that it would be "suicidal" for the government to hand over power to such a body.

He said the world was pinning too much hope on talks between President Frederik de Klerk and ANC Deputy President Nelson Mandela, urging foreign politicians to see negotiations on enfranchising the voteless black majority as an all-party affair.

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#90270d5980 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GUATEMALA CITY (SEPT. 27) - A human rights group Thursday charged two army officers with taking part in the murder of a U.S. national last June in a jungle area in northern Guatemala.

Four soldiers have also been charged this week with the torture-murder of former Peace Corps worker Michael Devine, but the army has not yet refuses to turn them over to the police.

The Mutual Support Group (GAM) charged Colonel Mario Garcia Catalan and Nito Cabrera, whose rank was not given, with the homicide, after meeting here with a U.N. representative who was given a list of human rights abuses committed in Guatemala, including details of Mr. Devine's murder.

The army has denied that any of its officers took part in the June 8 homicide

The United States demanded a thorough investigation of the murder, threatening to cut next year's military aid to Guatemala in half unless Mr. Devine's killers were brought to trial.

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#90270d6170 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (SEPT 28) - The Kuwait resistance said Thursday it killed four Iraqi soldiers in Kuwait City, Egyptian radio reported.

''A statement by the Kuwaiti resistance announced today that a resistance group launched a successful attack against an Iraqi occupation forces patrol in the Kuwaiti capital, killing an Iraqi officer and three soldiers,'' the radio report said.

''The statement said another group attacked the Iraqi embassy in Kuwait with rockets for the second time in a week. The attack caused extensive damage to the embassy building.''

The report did not say where the statement was released.

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#90270d6320 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DJIBOUTI (SEPT 28) - Unidentified attackers late Thursday launched grenades at two restaurants frequented by French military personnel here, killing one person and injuring 14 others, an Agence France-Presse correspondent said.

The dead was the child of a French member of the armed forces, he said. All the injured were French, the correspondent said.

The attack took place around 10:45 p.m. Thursday.

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#90270d6460 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON, (SEPT 27) - A 70-million-dollar weather satellite which failed more than a year ago has been rescued from plunging to Earth, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) said Thursday.

The satellite, known as NOAA-11, is the more important of two satellites that orbit the Earth pole-to-pole. They provide visible and infrared pictures to forecasters.

Despite two broken gyroscopes, the satellite is sending forecast data.

"We would have lost half of our capability" if the rescue effort had failed, said Russell Koffler, NOAA deputy assistant administrator.

Programmers at General Electric Astro Space Division in Princeton, New Jersey, wrote new computer instructions to allow the satellite to operate on a single gyroscope after one of the four gyros failed.

A second gyro failed last Friday. Three of the gyroscopes are for directional

control so the satellite won't tumble, and one is for backup.

The satellite is doomed if its remaining directional gyroscope fails because the other cannot be used to control the probe, NOAA said.

The satellite was launched September 24, 1988.

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#90270d6500 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT 27) - Cuban Foreign Minister Isidiro Malmierca Thursday accused the United States of using the Gulf crisis to control the oil wealth of that region and restated his country's opposition to the use of force to roll back the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

In a speech to the U.N. General Assembly's 45th session, Mr. Malmierca launched a blistering attack on the United States, which he described as a "self-appointed policeman of the world."

"The United States is taking advantage of this crisis as a self-appointed policeman of the world in order to realize its long-standing desire to establish itself in the Gulf region and control, at its whim, the oil wealth of the area," he added.

His stand was in marked contrast with that of his Soviet counterpart Eduard Shevardnadze, who told the Assembly earlier this week that Moscow would support the use of force by the U.N. if Iraqi troops did not withdraw from Kuwait.

Referring to the concentration of U.S. and other Western naval forces in the Gulf area, Mr. Malmierca also warned that "hostility might actually break out by accident or premeditated provocation given not only the existence of nuclear-powered vessels but also the reported presence of nuclear payloads on some of (the) vessels."

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#90270d6520 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 27) - U.S. officials expressed outrage Thursday over Sudan's request for 150 million dollars in U.S. food assistance, saying the Sudanese military was bombing humanitarian relief sites in rebel areas.

"I think it's almost unimaginable that a government facing a (famine) disaster of epic proportions would have the audacity to bomb food shipments at the same time they are asking for more food assistance," said Andrew Natsios, head of the U.S. Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance.

Sudanese officials approached administration officials Thursday to ask the United States for food assistance, despite Sudanese air strikes on relief

sites, including a Red Cross food barge, the U.S. officials said.

The food barge was donated to the Red Cross by the Norwegian Government and was bombed on the Nile River, adjacent to the southern Sudanese town of Bor, a main transit point for relief supplies, officials said.

Sudan's Air Force has bombed Bor and other towns where international relief programs are operated by the United Nation's Children Fund (UNICEF) and the International Committee for the Red Cross, U.S. officials said.

Two officials, who discussed the issue on condition of anonymity, disagreed as to whether the relief operations or the rebel military encampments were the targets of the air raids.

"The objective is to run UNICEF out," said one official, who added that the Sudanese Goverment is eager to stop relief efforts in rebel-held areas.

Mr. Natsios said the areas that were bombed had been designated as off limits to military operations by the government and had been thought safe for relief operations.

Sudanese authorities several weeks ago asked the United States to provide 150 million dollars in food assistance for the fiscal year 1991 that begins on October 1 to buy 970,000 tons of wheat -- 10 times the amount sent last year.

Sudanese officials, in Washington for the annual meeting of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund, again pressed U.S. officials for help to head off famine, State Department officials said.

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#90270d6570 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS, (SEPT 27) - The U.N. Security Council Thursday extended by two months the deployment of U.N. military observers along the Iraqi-Iran border.

Resolution 671, passed unanimously, extends the mandate of the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observers Group (UNIIMOG) in Iran and Iraq until November 30, when the mandate will again be considered.

The council requested that before the end of November U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar consult with the parties involved about the future of UNIIMOG and issue a report with his recommendations.

In a recent report, Mr. Perez de Cuellar said the mandate of the U.N. military observers -- the so-called "Blue Helmets" -- must be redefined in view of the Iraqi troop withdrawal from Iran and the prisoner exchange with Iran.

The group, made up of 425 military observers from some 20 countries, was established in August 1988 and given the responsibility of monitoring compliance with the Iran-Iraq ceasefire.

The group's mandate had been extended every six months.

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#90270d6590 09/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (SEPT 27) - Bulgarian President Jelio Jelev said here Thursday his country was ready to contribute troops to the multinational military force in the Middle East.

Mr. Jelev told a press conference at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce that the Bulgarian contingent to the force aimed at keeping Iraq out of Saudi Arabia following Baghdad's August 2 invasion of Kuwait would consist exclusively of land forces.

He said the Bulgarian troops would join a multinational force already deployed to the oil-rich Gulf, but he offered no further details.

Mr. Jelev -- who spent two days here discussing with various U.S. officials Bulgaria's prospects for developing a market economy -- is to travel Friday to New York to address the U.N. General Assembly.

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#90270e0019 09/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Amman (SEPT. 27) EFE - The Energy Ministry Thursday urged Jordanians not to hoard gasoline, asserting that the country will not suffer fuel shortages despite the recent cutoff of oil supplies from Saudi Arabia.

The ministry said Jordanians had begun to store up on gasoline after Saudi Arabia's announcement last week that Riyadh would cut off oil supplies to Amman until outstanding debts are paid.

A ministry statement said there were no indications of an imminent oil shortage, and warned Jordanians about the dangers of storing flammable fuel in their homes.

Jordan has claimed that events in the Gulf have severly undermined its economy and the government's ability to make payments on the country's dlrs 8.4 billion foreign debt.

Before the Gulf crisis, 85 per cent of Jordan's oil was supplied by Iraq, and the rest by Saudi Arabia.

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#90270e0020 09/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
NICOSIA (SEPT 27) EFE - The Iraqi government is giving the 270,000 citizens of Kuwait until the end of next month to acquire Iraqi nationality, Radio Baghdad reported Thursday.

In a broadcast monitored in Cyprus, Baghdad said the order did not affect any of the foreigners residing in Kuwait before Iraq invaded the country August 2 and subsequently annexed it.

Until it was seized by Iraq, the oil-rich emirate relied heavily on a workforce of expatriate laborers and technical specialists, including some 300,000 Palestinians and 120,000 Indians.

Last week, Iraqi authorities set a deadline of October 6 for Kuwaitis to exchange their savings for Iraqi currency on a one- to-one basis, although in international markets the Iraqi money was quoted at one-tenth the rate fetched by the Kuwaiti dinar.

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#90270e0021 09/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
TOKYO (SEPT 27) EFE - Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu Thursday announced details of a proposed bill which would allow Japanese troops to be dispatched overseas for the first time since World War II.

The bill, which must be approved by parliament, would enable Japan to contribute to the multinational force deployed in the Middle East to prevent further Iraqi aggression after its invasion of Kuwait.

Kaifu stressed in a televised news conference that any Japanese troops sent to the Gulf would not go as combatants but would have a supportive role in transport, communications, medical and peace-keeping activities.

The law, which is scheduled to be presented to parliament in mid-October, calls for the creation of a United Nations Cooperation Corps of military and civilian personnel to participate in U.N. peace-keeping operations.

The Japanese constitution, drafted by U.S. occupiers at the end of World War II, forbids the dispatch of troops that could be used in combat overseas and Kaifu assured his Asian neighbours that sending soldiers to the Gulf would not signal the rebirth of Japanese militarism.

The law proposes that Japan send about 1,000 men to the Gulf in the U.N. Corps who would not be allowed to fight and only permitted to carry light weapons.

Japan has already pledged dlrs four billion in aid to the multinational force and to frontline states in the Gulf hurt by the economic sanctions against Iraq.

But it has come under pressure from the United States to contribute personnel.

"We have made the maximum economic contribution that our budget allows this year but we must do more to avoid world criticism," Kaifu said.

Kaifu held his news conference on the day before a visit to the United States and a tour of the Middle East.

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#90270e0026 09/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 25) EFE - The death toll from a gas truck explosion in the Thai capital earlier this week has risen to 59, officials said Thursday.

The truck overturned and exploded in the center of Bangkok Monday, engulfing dozens of nearby cars, shops and buildings in flames.

Only 34 of the 59 dead have been identified by family members, as many of the bodies were burned beyond recognition.

Some 103 people were injured, many of them badly burned. Several are expected to die in the next few days.

The driver of the truck that exploded is suspected to have been under the influence of alcohol when he sped through a green light that was about to change.

The Thai government has begun studying ways to increase security checks on the transport of dangerous materials.

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#90270e0031 09/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (SEPT 27) EFE - President Fernando Collor de Mello says he halted a secret plan by the military to adapt Brazil's nuclear energy program for the construction of an atom bomb, the daily O Globo reported Thursday.

The newspaper quoted the president at a lunch for Brazilian journalists in New York Wednesday as saying he immediately stopped the "parallel nuclear program" when he assumed the presidency last March.

The 1988 Brazilian constitution forbids experiments and research to build nuclear weapons and previously Brazilian governments and the military have strenously denied suggestions that the country was developing them.

Collor de Mello did not say how he learned of the military project called Solimoes -- named for a major tributary of the Amazon River. He said he had appointed two scientific experts to montior the nuclear program and ensure that it it did not contravene the laws.

In a related development, congressional deputy Fabian Feldmann of the center-left Social Democracy Party Wednesday urged parliament to impeach Air Force Minister Brig. Socrates Monteiro and Armed Forces Chief of Staff Gen. Jonas de Moraes Correia for concealing information on the nuclear program from Congress.

He accused the Armed Forces of giving Congress false information on May 30 on the use of two shafts at an air base in the Amazon.

Feldmann said the shafts were probably used for testing atom bombs and one of them, 330 metres deep, was sealed by Collor de Mello on September 17.

O Globo said the shafts were probably constructed for the eventual testing of nuclear weapons in the early 1980s during the rule of Gen. Joao Figueiredo, Brazil's last military president.

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#90270e0043 09/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (SEPT. 27) EFE - Share prices on the Madrid Stock Exchange edged up Thursday, with the general index gaining 2.46 points to close at 212.04.

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#90270e0048 09/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT 27) EFE - The Interior Ministry of the Russian Federation announced Thursday that the number of registered drug addicts in the republic has risen to over 51,000, the news agency TASS reported.

Some 13,500 acts of drug-related violence were committed over the past year in Russia, the Soviet Union's largest republic, the Interior Ministry said.

Sixty percent of the registered addicts are under 30 years of age.

The ministry added that their agents have seized 12 tons of illegal narcotics worth some 100 million rubles (dlrs 160 million) during the past year.

The drug pushers reportedly come from all levels of society, including doctors

chemists and health workers, groups which the Interior Ministry said are beginning to put synthetic drugs on the market.

The ministry added that their agents are finding it harder and harder to control the drug traffic in Russia as the drug suppliers are becoming well organized and have plenty of money.

On the black market, a kilogram of hashish costs about 1,500 rubles (dlrs 2,400), a kilogram of marijuana about 1,000 rubles (dlrs 1,600) and an equal amount of opium 100,000 rubles (dlrs 160,000).

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#90270e0051 09/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 27) EFE - The Peruvian government has successfully "rejoined" the international financial community and embarked on the long path to normalizing relations with lending institutions, financial experts said Thursday.

Requesting anonymity, they said that backing received during the annual assembly of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank, ending Thursday, amounted to "a declaration of Peru's rejoining of international financial system."

World Bank President Barber Conable said Thursday he trusted Peru would begin to pay the Bank more than dlrs 800 million in back payments.

Conable said the World Bank would support Peru in overcoming its difficult financial straits, but added that Peru had to show goodwill gestures.

Peruvian authorities and the World Bank began negotiations a week ago, and the government of President Alberto Fujimori has said that after October 15 they will renew payments to the World Bank and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB).

With a foreign debt totalling some dlrs 17 billion, Peru owes the World Bank dlrs 600 million in arrears, and a further dlrs 300 million in back payments to the IDB.

Peruvian government officials said an IMF delegation would travel to Lima in October for negotiations which would serve as the basis for renewing ties.

Peru's arrears to the IMF total more than dlrs 700 million, but then-president Alan Garcia began to make payments at the end of last year.

In 1985, Garcia enraged international lending institutions by restricting debt payments to 10 per cent of export earnings.

IMF president Michel Camdessus said Thursday that despite the "difficult period" of relations with the former administration, the IMF had been working with Fujimori since July to design an economic stabilization program.

Camdessus has come out in support of Fujimori's economic austerity programs.

Peruvian officials have said that as international financial relations normalize, countries such as Japan, the United States, Britain, France and Spain were considering creating a support group to help Peru pay off arrears.

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#90270e0053 09/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (SEPT 27) EFE - The Spanish government Thursday told the Iraqi ambassador to Madrid that four Iraqi diplomats must leave the country within one week, the Foreign Ministry said.

The move is part of the European Community's retaliation for raids carried out by Iraqi troops on several EC member nations' diplomatic premises in occupied-Kuwait earlier this month.

The diplomats are Abdul Khadim A. Mushin, Sadoun Abdul Aziz Ali - both third secretaries at the embassy -- and Ahmad F. Mishwah and Shems M. Aldin Ali, who were waiting for accreditation from the Spanish government when the expulsion order came through.

Mushin had been a diplomat in Spain since 1989 and Aziz Ali since 1985.

The Foreign Ministry told ambassador Arshad Tawfiq Ismail that the four must leave the country within a week.

The remaining seven Iraqi diplomats in Madrid have been told that they can not move outside a 50-km radius of the capital without the Spanish government's authorization.

Spain's military attache in Iraq, Col. Arturo Vinuesa, was expelled from Baghdad on September 21, four days after the EC decided to take retaliatory measures for the raids.

Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

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#90270e0056 09/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MANAGUA (SEPT. 27) EFE - Nicaragua's leftist Sandinista Party leaders Thursday demanded that the government drop its policy of returning land and properties seized after the 1979 revolution to its former owners.

The demand came during talks with government officials aimed at restoring calm after five people were killed Monday in a land dispute in the north of the country.

Former president Daniel Ortega, leading the Sandinistas in the talks which began Wednesday, said his party had demanded "urgent measures to strengthen confidence and establish a minimum of national stability".

Five people were killed and four were wounded Monday when 40 leftist peasants and 150 former Contra rebels clashed in northern areas over disputed land.

After overthrowing late dictator Anastasio Somoza in 1979, the Sandinistas confiscated hundreds of private businesses, factories, homes and estates.

But rightist President Violeta Chamorro, who took office in April, has pledged to set up a free market economy and has demanded that some lands and businesses be returned to pre-revolutionary owners.

The Sandinistas have vowed to prevent the wholesale transfer of land, and also Thursday demanded the government take steps to distribute food to villagers in poor regions in the north of the country and on the east coast.

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#90270f1893 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Thursday 348.38 off 10.53.

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#90270h0103 09/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (SEPT. 27) XINHUA - UNLESS THE GROWTH OF AFRICA'S POPULATION IS CURBED, THE CONTINENT COULD BE POORER IN THE NEXT CENTURY THAN IT IS TODAY, A KENYAN ANTHROPOLOGIST WARNED.

THE "DAILY NATION" NEWSPAPER TODAY QUOTED PROF. SIMEON OMINDE AS SAYING ON WEDNESDAY THAT AFRICA'S FERTILITY RATE IS THE HIGHEST IN THE WORLD WITH MOST WOMEN BEARING MORE THAN SIX CHILDREN BEFORE THE END OF THEIR REPRODUCTIVE PERIOD.

THE ANTHROPOLOGIST TOLD THE SECOND PAN-AFRICAN ASSOCIATION OF ANTHROPOLOGISTS CONFERENCE WHICH OPENED HERE ON MONDAY THAT PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE POPULATION EXPLOSION WOULD INCREASE BY THE END OF THE CENTURY.

TAKING KENYA AS AN EXAMPLE, HE SAID THAT THE EAST AFRICAN COUNTRY REGISTERED THE HIGHEST FERTILITY RATE OF EIGHT IN AFRICA, BRINGING THE EAST AFRICAN

COUNTRY A LOT OF PROBLEMS SUCH AS EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT, URBAN CONGESTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION.

OF THE EXPECTED POPULATION OF 35 MILLION BY THE YEAR 2000, KENYA'S SCHOOL-AGE POPULATION AGED UNDER 14 WOULD HAVE INCREASED TO 16 MILLION, NOTED THE PROFESSOR.

HE ALSO WARNED THAT IF THE COUNTRY'S POPULATION GROWTH RATE OF 3.5 PERCENT DOES NOT DECLINE SUBSTANTIALLY, THE INDEX OF DE- PENDENCY WOULD RISE TO 114.1 BY THE TURN OF THE CENTURY.

AS A RESULT, HE ADDED, THE HIGH DEPENDENCY BURDEN WOULD HAVE A DIRECT IMPACT ON THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF KENYANS.

MEANWHILE, DIRECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE OF AFRICAN STUDIES PROF. GIDEON WERE ALSO TOLD THE DELEGATES TO THE FOUR-DAY MEETING THAT THE STANDARD OF LIVING IN THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES HAS DECLINED RAPIDLY OVER THE PAST 30 YEARS OWING TO THE HIGH POPULATION GROWTH RATE OF 3.3 PERCENT.

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#90270h0272 09/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

JINAN (SEPT. 27) XINHUA - A SOCIETY DEDICATED TO YANZI, A FAVORITE DISCIPLE OF ANCIENT CHINA'S MOST FAMOUS SAGE, CONFUCIUS, WAS OFFICIALLY SET UP TODAY IN QUFU CITY, THE BIRTHPLACE OF BOTH MEN, IN SHANDONG PROVINCE.

THE SOCIETY WILL ASSIST DOMESTIC AND OVERSEAS SCHOLARS TO CONDUCT ACADEMIC STUDIES OF YANZI.

A 2.95-M STATUE OF THE DISCIPLE WAS ALSO SET UP IN QUFU TODAY AND A SYMPOSIUM WAS HELD IN HIS HONOR.

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#90270h0312 09/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (SEPT. 27) XINHUA - ABOUT 200,000 RURAL POOR PEOPLE IN THE PHILIPPINES WILL BENEFIT FROM LOANS TOTALLING 58 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS AND A TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT OF 295,000 U.S. DOLLARS, BOTH APPROVED TODAY BY THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK.

ONE INTEREST-FREE LOAN OF SDR (SPECIAL DRAWING RIGHTS) 18.246 MILLION, EQUIVALENT TO 25 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, WILL COME FROM THE BANK'S CONCESSIONAL ASIAN DEVELOPMENT FUND.

THE OTHER LOAN OF 33 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, WHICH IS FROM THE BANK'S ORDINARY CAPITAL RESOURCES, IS REPAYABLE OVER 30 YEARS.

THE LOANS AND GRANT ARE ALL DESIGNATED FOR THE SECOND PALAWAN INTEGRATED AREA

DEVELOPMENT PROJECT.

WITH AN AREA OF ABOUT 1.5 MILLION HECTARES, PALAWAN IS THE LARGEST PROVINCE IN THE PHILIPPINES AND ALSO ONE OF THE POOREST. THE AVERAGE ANNUAL FAMILY INCOME IN THIS PROVINCE IN WESTERN PHILIPPINES IS ONLY HALF OF THE NATIONAL AVERAGE.

THE SECOND PALAWAN AREA DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AIMS AT DEVELOPING LAND AND WATER RESOURCES IN THE NORTHERN HALF OF MAINLAND PALAWAN AND THE ISLAND MUNICIPALITIES OF THE PROVINCE, IN ORDER TO RAISE THE LEVEL OF THE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION AND PRODUCTIVITY, CREATE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF THE SUBSISTENCE FARMERS AND FISHERMEN.

THE PROJECT WILL SUPPORT THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT'S DEVELOPMENT GOALS IN THE RURAL SECTOR, THE MANILA-BASED BANK SAID.

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#90270k0049 09/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 27) KYODO - A MAJOR JAPANESE SEMICONDUCTOR SUPPLIER, SANKEN ELECTRIC CO., SAID THURSDAY IT IS NEGOTIATING WITH SPRAGUE TECHNOLOGIES INC. OVER POSSIBLE ACQUISITION OF THE U.S. ELECTRONIC PARTS MAKER'S SEMICONDUCTOR UNIT.

THE UNIT, CALLED SPRAGUE SEMICONDUCTOR GROUP (SSG), HAS THREE PLANTS IN THE U.S. AND ONE IN THE PHILIPPINES. IT POSTED 113 MILLION DOLLARS IN SALES IN 1989.

BASED IN NIIZA, SAITAMA PREFECTURE, SANKEN WAS IN LINKUP WITH THE CONNECTICUT-BASED FIRM IN CHIP PRODUCTS MARKETING FROM 1976-81.

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#90270k0080 09/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 26) KYODO - JAPANESE AUTOMOBILE EXPORTS IN AUGUST DIPPED 0.5 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 444,545 VEHICLES LAST YEAR, THE JAPAN AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION SAID THURSDAY.

EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES DECLINED 8.9 PERCENT TO 169,859 VEHICLES IN AUGUST FOR THE 14TH CONSECUTIVE MONTH BECAUSE OF INCREASED LOCAL PRODUCTION BY JAPANESE SUBSIDIARIES AND A WEAKER U.S. ECONOMY, IT SAID.

AUTO SHIPMENTS TO EUROPE ROSE 0.3 PERCENT TO 127,083 VEHICLES. EXPORTS TO ASIA JUMPED 16.4 PERCENT TO 44,510 VEHICLES, WHILE VEHICLES TO THE MIDDLE EAST LEAPED 16 PERCENT TO 20,822, THE ASSOCIATION SAID.

TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. LED WITH 128,986 VEHICLES, UP 1.0 PERCENT FROM AUGUST LAST YEAR. NISSAN MOTOR CO. EXPORTS FELL 16.6 PERCENT TO 69,912 AUTOMOBILES.

MAZDA MOTOR CORP. EXPORTS JUMPED 12.2 PERCENT TO 70,206 VEHICLES FROM THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR.

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#90270k0095 09/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 27) KYODO - THE BANK OF JAPAN WILL SELL 500 BILLION YEN WORTH OF FINANCING BILLS TO SHORT-TERM MONEY MARKET BROKERS ON FRIDAY UNDER "GENSAKI" REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS DUE TO EXPIRE ON OCTOBER 25, BROKERS SAID THURSDAY.

THE BILLS ARE TO YIELD 8.2004 PERCENT. THE OPERATION IS AIMED AT MOPPING UP LARGE SURPLUS FUNDS EXPECTED ON FRIDAY, AN OFFICIAL AT A MAJOR CITY BANK SAID.

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#90270k0104 09/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 27) KYODO - THE GOVERNMENT DECIDED THURSDAY TO RELAX CONTROLS ON EXPORTS OF FIVE PRODUCTS, WHILE AT THE SAME TIME TIGHTENING RESTRICTIONS ON EXPORTS OF A NUMBER OF DRUGS AND A CERTAIN TYPE OF CHLOROFLUROCARBON, SOURCES SAID.

THE GOVERNMENT DECIDED DURING A CABINET MEETING HELD EARLIER IN THE DAY TO LIFT RESTRICTIONS ON EXPORTS OF TUNGSTEN, CEMENT, SYNTHETIC ACRYLIC FIBERS, AND TWO OTHER PRODUCTS BY AMENDING THE EXPORT TRADE CONTROL ORDER, THEY SAID.

ON THE OTHER HAND, IT WILL BEEF UP CONTROLS ON FREON 115, A TYPE OF CHLOROFLUROCARBON, STIMULANTS, AND PSYCHOTROPIC DRUGS, BY INCLUDING THEM ON THE LIST OF RESTRICTED EXPORTS.

EXPORTS OF SUCH PRODUCTS AS TUNGSTEN AND CEMENT WERE BANNED AFTER WORLD WAR II BECAUSE THEY WERE NEEDED IN JAPAN TO RESUSCITATE THE WAR-RAVAGED ECONOMY.

BUT NOW THAT TIMES HAVE CHANGED, THE GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO EASE EXPORT RESTRICTIONS ON THE GOODS SINCE THERE IS NO LONGER ANY NEED TO MAINTAIN THEM.

FREON 115, STIMULANTS, AND PSYCHOTROPIC DRUGS MUST GAIN APPROVAL FROM THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY BEFORE THEY CAN BE EXPORTED.

EXPORTS OF THE CHLOROFLUROCARBON WILL BE REGULATED TO ENSURE A STEADY SUPPLY OF THE SUBSTANCE FOR THE NATION IN THE WAKE OF INTERNATIONAL RESTRICTIONS OVER THE PRODUCTION OF OZONE-DEPLETING CHLOROFLUROCARBONS.

THE GOVERNMENT HOPES TO LIMIT EXPORTS OF THE DRUGS TO PREVENT THE MISUSE OF THE SUBSTANCE, WHICH IS NOW A GROWING SOCIAL PROBLEM, AND TO CHECK ILLEGAL INTERNATIONAL TRADE.

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#90270k0105 09/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 27) KYODO - JAPAN'S "BIG FOUR" STEEL PIPE MANUFACTURERS ON THURSDAY DECIDED TO RESUME PRODUCTION OF STEEL PIPES FOR EXPORT TO THE SOVIET UNION, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

THE DECISION CAME AFTER THE SOVIET UNION PAID JAPANESE TRADING COMPANIES 207 MILLION DOLLARS FOR ITS STEEL IMPORTS, ACCOUNTING FOR 40 PERCENT OF THE NATION'S 518 MILLION DOLLAR ARREARS SINCE LAST OCTOBER.

NIPPON STEEL CORP. AND THE THREE OTHER FIRMS SUSPENDED PRODUCTION OF SUCH PIPES IN LATE MAY.

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#90270k0108 09/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
NAGOYA (SEPT. 27) KYODO - TISC CO., A COMPUTER SOFTWARE FIRM IN THIS CENTRAL JAPAN CITY, HAS SIGNED A CONTRACT WITH A SOUTH KOREAN SOFTWARE COMPANY FOR A CAPITAL LINKUP AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION, TISC OFFICIALS SAID THURSDAY.

THE SEOUL-BASED KOREA DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION SYSTEM CO. (KISC) WILL INCREASE ITS CAPITAL FROM THE PRESENT 50 MILLION WON TO 500 MILLION WON (ABOUT 100 MILLION YEN) ON FRIDAY AND TISC WILL PROVIDE 75 MILLION WON, OR 15 PERCENT, OF KISC'S CAPITAL, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

IBM KOREA INC. WILL TAKE A 20 PERCENT STAKE IN KISC, ACCORDING TO TISC OFFICIALS.

THE JAPANESE FIRM WILL OFFER SOFTWARE KNOW-HOW FOR INFORMATION MANAGEMENT FOR CHAIN STORES AND OTHER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS TO KISC, WHICH PLANS TO RAISE ITS ANNUAL SALES FROM THE CURRENT 1 BILLION WON TO 4 BILLION WON IN THE INITIAL YEAR, TISC OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90270k0110 09/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 27) KYODO - NHK SPRING CO. ANNOUNCED THURSDAY THAT AN AUTOMOBILE SPRING PRODUCTION COMPANY WOULD BE SET UP IN MEXICO CITY NEXT JANUARY JOINTLY WITH RASSINI S.A. DE C.V., A MEXICAN SPRING MAKER, AND NISSHO IWAI CORP., A BIG JAPANESE TRADING COMPANY.

THE JOINT FIRM, TO BE NAMED RASSINI-NHK TORSION BARS S.A. DE C.V., WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 3,428,000 DOLLARS, OF WHICH 60 PERCENT WILL BE PROVIDED BY RASSINI, 22 PERCENT BY NHK, AND 18 PERCENT BY NISSHO IWAI.

NHK SPRING, THE WORLD'S NO. 1 SPRING MAKER, SAID THE JOINT FIRM WILL START PRODUCTION OF TORSION BARS, A TYPE OF SPRING USED IN SMALL TRUCKS, IN DECEMBER NEXT YEAR, FOR SUPPLY TO MEXICAN AUTOMAKERS AND JAPANESE-AFFILIATED FACTORIES IN MEXICO. TORSION BARS WILL ALSO BE SHIPPED TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

THE PLANT WILL HAVE A MONTHLY PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF TORSION BARS FOR 22,500 TRUCKS.

TOTAL INVESTMENT IN THE PROJECT IS 4 MILLION DOLLARS. NHK SPRING TRANSFERRED ITS SPRING PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY TO RASSINI IN 1985.

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#90270k0122 09/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 27) KYODO - BOLSTERED BY SOUND FARM INCOME, THE AVERAGE ANNUAL GROSS INCOME OF AGRICULTURAL HOUSEHOLDS ROSE 7.2 PERCENT IN FISCAL 1989 FROM THE PRECEDING YEAR TO 7.98 MILLION YEN, THE GOVERNMENT SAID TUESDAY.

NET FARM INCOME, INCLUDED IN THE GROSS INCOME FIGURE, JUMPED 15.4 PERCENT TO 1.11 MILLION YEN PER HOUSEHOLD, POSTING DOUBLE-DIGIT GROWTH FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1975, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, AND FISHERIES OFFICIALS SAID.

THE OFFICIALS SAID GROSS FARM INCOME INCREASED ABOUT 6.5 PERCENT DUE TO BUMPER RICE CROPS AND THE RISE IN THE PRICES OF FRUIT AND VEGETABLES, WHILE LOWER PRICES OF FERTILIZER AND PESTICIDES HELPED KEEP THE RISE IN FARM OPERATING COSTS, WHICH INCHED UP 1.5 PERCENT, WELL UNDER CONTROL, RESULTING IN THE NET INCOME GROWTH.

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#90270k0123 09/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 27) KYODO - THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT ON THURSDAY DECIDED TO OFFER A 5.4 PERCENT CUT IN SPENDING ON PROTECTION OF THREE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, RICE, WHEAT, AND BARLEY, OVER SEVEN YEARS FROM 1990, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE PROPOSAL WILL BE CONTAINED IN A REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE SECRETARIAT OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT) AS EARLY AS FRIDAY. THE REPORT IS REQUIRED FOR FARM TRADE NEGOTIATIONS SLATED FOR EARLY OCTOBER IN GENEVA UNDER THE URUGUAY ROUND OF MULTILATERAL TRADE TALKS.

THE GOVERNMENT, HOWEVER, WILL NOT COMPLY WITH A U.S. DEMAND FOR THE CONVERSION OF NON-TARIFF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS INTO TARIFFS ON STAPLE FOODS, SUCH AS RICE, MILK AND OTHER PRODUCTS NOW SUBJECT TO DOMESTIC PRODUCTION ADJUSTMENT, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE PROPOSAL STEMS FROM TOKYO'S BASIC POLICY OF REDUCING THE TOTAL SPENDING ON THE PROTECTION OF DOMESTIC MARKETS FOR GRAINS, SUGAR, MILK, AND DAIRY PRODUCTS BY 30 PERCENT OVER 10 YEARS FROM 1986. THE EXPENDITURE IS TALLIED UNDER THE AGGREGATE MEASURE OF SUPPORT (AMS).

THE AMS USES PRICE SUPPORT MEASURES AND ALL TYPES OF FARM SUBSIDIES IN CALCULATING THE DEGREE OF DOMESTIC PROTECTION OF AGRICULTURE.

THE JAPANESE OFFER IS MOST LIKELY TO MEET WITH A STRONG OBJECTION FROM THE UNITED STATES AND OTHER FARM PRODUCT EXPORTERS, WHICH CALL FOR THE ''TARIFFICATION'' OF JAPAN'S NONTARIFF TRADE BARRIERS, OBSERVERS SAID.

JAPAN'S SPENDING ON THE PROTECTION OF RICE IS ESTIMATED AT 2.2 TRILLION YEN IN 1988 WHEN TALLIED UNDER THE AMS. THE AMOUNT ACCOUNTS FOR NEARLY 60 PERCENT OF JAPAN'S OVERALL AGRICULTURAL PROTECTION EXPENDITURE, ACCORDING TO THE ORGANIZATION FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT (OECD).

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#90270k0124 09/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 27) KYODO - KANZAKI PAPER MFG. CO. SAID THURSDAY IT HAS FORMED A JOINT VENTURE WITH ZANDERS FEINPAPIERE AG, A LEADING GERMAN PAPER MANUFACTURER TO PRODUCE THERMAL PAPER USED FOR FACSIMILIE MACHINES.

THE VENTURE, KANZAN SPEZIALPAPIERE GMBH, CAPITALIZED AT 148 MILLION MARKS, IS BASED IN DUREN, WEST GERMANY. KANZAKI AND ZANDERS PUT UP EQUAL AMOUNTS IN CAPITAL, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

PRODUCTION IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN IN NOVEMBER OF NEXT YEAR, WITH ANNUAL OUTPUT PROJECTED TO REACH 25,000 TONS.

THE VENTURE WILL HELP KANZAKI MEET ITS GOAL OF ESTABLISHING PRODUCTION FACILITIES IN THE THREE MAJOR MARKETS OF JAPAN, EUROPE, AND THE U.S.

KANZAKI EARLIER ACQUIRED A PLANT IN THE U.S., WHICH HAS ALREADY BEGUN PRODUCTION.

THE FIRM PROJECTS PRODUCTION IN ALL THREE REGIONS TO REACH 80,000 TONS BY 1992 GIVING IT A 20 PERCENT SHARE OF THE WORLD MARKET.

KANZAKI IS TARGETING SALES FOR THE WEST EUROPEAN MARKET, BUT HOPES TO EVENTUALLY EXPAND TO THE SOVIET UNION AND COUNTRIES IN EASTERN EUROPE.

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#90270k0125 09/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 27) KYODO - THE FIRST JOINT JAPANESE-CAMBODIAN ENTERPRISE IS TO BE ESTABLISHED IN CAMBODIA LATER THIS YEAR, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID THURSDAY.

THE SOURCES SAID A MEDIUM-SIZE TOKYO LUMBER TRADING FIRM, OKADA CO., HAS AGREED WITH THE CAMBODIAN GOVERNMENT'S FORESTRY BUREAU TO SET UP A JOINT LOG-SAWING AND SAWN WOOD EXPORTING ENTERPRISE IN PHNOM PENH.

THE JOINT FIRM WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 6 MILLION DOLLARS, OF WHICH 40 PERCENT WILL BE PROVIDED BY OKADA AND THE BALANCE BY THE HENG SAMRIN GOVERNMENT IN

PHNOM PENH.

THE NEW FIRM WILL SAW AND PROCESS PINE, CHINESE QUINCE AND RED SANDALWOOD, LOGGED IN NORTHEASTERN CAMBODIA BY THE FORESTRY BUREAU, AND ALL OF THE FACTORY'S PRODUCTS WILL BE EXPORTED TO JAPAN. THE JOINT COMPANY WILL BE GRANTED THE EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO EXPORT LOGS AND SAWN WOOD, THE SOURCES SAID.

THE NEW ENTERPRISE WILL BUILD A PLYWOOD FACTORY NEXT SPRING, AND WILL EVENTUALLY TAKE OVER TWO FORESTS FROM THE FORESTRY BUREAU AND START TO FELL TREES DIRECTLY. THE FIRM WILL ALSO START REFORESTATION TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT.

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#90270k0140 09/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (SEPT. 27) KYODO - MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO. SAID THURSDAY IT HAS DEVELOPED THE WORLD'S FIRST VOICE-INTERACTIVE PROGRAMMING VIDEO CASSETTE RECORDER (VCR).

THE NEW VCR IS CAPABLE OF PROVIDING VOICE-SYNTHESIZED PROGRAMMING DIRECTIONS AND RESPONDING TO SPOKEN INSTRUCTIONS, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID. THEY ADDED THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW VCR HAS MADE IT EASIER TO PROGRAM VCR RECORDING, OR TIME-DELAY RECORDING.

THE VCR IS MADE UP OF VOICE RECOGNITION, VOICE SYNTHESIZING, AND CONTROL SECTIONS.

THE NEW PRODUCT WILL BE ON DISPLAY AT THE JAPAN ELECTRONICS SHOW 1990 IN TOKYO ON OCTOBER 2-6.

OFFICIALS INDICATED THAT THE CONSOLE VERSION OF THE NEW VCR WOULD PROBABLY GO ON SALE IN THE SPRING OF 1991. THE NEW VCR WILL BE PRICED 20,000 TO 30,000 YEN HIGHER THAN THE CONVENTIONAL VCR, THEY ALSO HINTED.

FOR THE PRESENT, ONLY THE JAPANESE VERSION WILL BE MARKETED. THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN ENGLISH-LANGUAGE VERSION, FOR EXAMPLE, IS NOT UNDER CONSIDERATION AT THE MOMENT, OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90270m0001 09/27/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 27) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei loses another 479 points. ... The FTSE is up 26 points at midday in

London. ... U.S. stocks trading overseas recover after opening sharply lower. ... The Dollar is up strongly against the yen. trading. ... Crude prices fall by more than $1.50 in overnight trading. ... The U.S. will sell five million barrels of oil from the STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE to rein in surging crude prices. ... Calling the action "unconscionable," a judge has ruled that GENERAL ELECTRIC hid serious doubts about its design of a nuclear containment vessel. The decision raises the firms exposure to potential damages. ... USAIR says it will delay indefinitely paying its quarterly dividend and will push back delivery of 16 jetliners. ... TREASURY SECRETARY NICHOLAS BRADY says the RESOLUTION TRUST CORP. will have to cease operations unless it gets more money by the end of the year.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The LABOR DEPARTMENT is scheduled to release U.S. import / export prices at 10 a.m. EDT. ... OFFICE OF THRIFT SUPERVISION director TIMOTHY RYAN is scheduled to testify before the Senate Banking Committee today. ... The IMF/WORLD BANK annual meeting concludes today. ... The SEC wants to force companies to account for assets using more current rather than historical values. The banking industry is fighting the change. ... The CANADIAN AUTO WORKERS are hinting at a strike against GENERAL MOTORS.

FROM THE BULLS:

Insider buying has skyrocketed to the highest and most bullish level since after the 1987 crash, says NORMAN FOSSBACK, editor of "The Insiders." He says the current 78% insider buying rate is well above the normal 35% pace. (CNBC "World Business", 9/27)

"Technically, stocks are very oversold here," says A.C. MOORE, director of research at ARGUS RESEARCH. "They will respond favorably to any progress on the budget." (WSJ, 9/27)

FROM THE BEARS:

"Everyone is looking to get out now," says CHRISTOPHER PEDERSEN, director of trading at TWENTY-FIRST SECURITIES. "People are looking for 2200" on the Dow. (WSJ, 9/27)

"It's just a normal bear market," says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. "It's just been so long since we've experienced a typical bear market that I think people have forgotten how it is. ... Actually, we've been in a bear market now for more than a year. The advance-decline line peaked out in August of last year. Most stocks are well down. It's those stocks that have held up relatively well that are now getting crushed." Still, he says equities "are starting to generate more interesting values than they have in some time." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/27)

"Stocks are being buffeted by events from the Mideast," says STEVEN EINHORN of GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. But he adds, "Our feeling is the market is headed lower, not so much due to the Mideast situation but to economic fundamentals." He foresees a bear market of at least six months duration, and says prices need to fall another 10% before he "starts nibbling." At the moment, Einhorn says, "our strategy is to sell into any rallies." ("Investor's Daily", 9/27)

"The Middle East crisis has unleashed a fearless, relentless bear on the financial markets," says CARMINE GRIGOLI, chief strategist for FIRST BOSTON. "Until the crisis is resolved, or the market moves to much lower levels, the bear will not be put back into its cage." (WSJ, 9/27)

STOCK MARKET:

Aided by lower oil prices, stocks should start today on a firm note, says NEWTON ZINDER at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. Stocks have been sensitive to oil prices, which Zinder thinks have seen their "last gasp" highs. "I think we're going to have a better market than a lot of people expect over the next month or two," says Zinder. "I don't' think the bear market is over but I think we're going to get a good bear market rally which will make people think the bear market is over." (FNN "World Business Update", 9/27)

"I was one of those idiots who thought we'd have a rebound" in the last couple weeks, confesses RICHARD WHITTINGTON of KIDDER, PEABODY. He says he has been "lowering numbers helter-skelter" since he realized there would be no rebound. "It's clear there's no post- Labor Day pickup," concludes Whittington. ("Investor's Daily", 9/27)

"Tuesday and Wednesday were like the mirror of each other," says DAVID POLEN, president of POLEN CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. "There's no new news. And in these markets, the selling feeds on itself." ("USA Today", 9/27)

"The uncertainty emanating from the Iraqi Mideast crisis has caused gridlock in the equity marketplace," says MICHAEL MADDEN, co-head of investment banking at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS INC. (WSJ, 9/27)

ERIC MILLER, chief investment officer at DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE, says that while stocks are "vulnerable to a rally," any advance would still be couched in the context of a bigger bear market. "I see no clear signs of a bottom." He also cautions that the continued decline in Japanese stock prices could hurt world markets by "giving extra impetus to a world monetary squeeze." (WSJ, 9/27)

"The crisis in the Middle East and the pressure on oil has been a catalyst rather than a cause [in the market decline], but emotion plays a very big part in the market. And, as long as emotion is tied to that oil price, I think you will see the effect on the indexes themselves if not the oil stocks specifically," says WALTER MURPHY of MERRILL LYNCH. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up",

9/26)

"The market's catching up from being a little bit too high and not recognizing that a recession was going to happen," says MAUREEN ALLYN of SCUDDER, STEVENS & CLARK. She says we will be in a recession by next month at the latest, but says this downturn will take a different shape from recessions past. "The layoffs [will be] in the financial, lending area this time. That's a little bit different from production workers." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/26)

Corporate profits are poised to fall further. "The key point is that pressure from oil prices will depress corporate profits across the board," says LAWRENCE KUDLOW, the chief economist of BEAR, STEARNS & COMPANY. "Although companies are going to try, it will be very difficult if not impossible, to pass those costs along to belt- tightening consumers who are themselves feeling the pinch." (NYT, 9/27)

STOCK TIPS:

"PEPSICO, and growth stocks like it, are the last to go, but when they go, they'll go fast," says HARVEY EISEN, president of SUN AMERICA ASSET MANAGEMENT CORP. "This is really a textbook 1973-1974 bear market." THOMAS GALLAGHER, managing director of capital commitment at OPPENHEIMER & CO., agrees, "There are a thousand reasons why people are selling [growth] stocks, but the main reason is that we are in a bear market. And there's the feeling that your first sale is your best sale." (WSJ, 9/27)

CHASE MANHATTAN's restructuring and CITICORP's announcement of financial trouble "certainly seems to be the beginning of a crisis," says BRENT ERENSEL of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE. He says there is a real possibility of dividend cuts from major banks. Erensel says the most alarming part of Chase's dividend reduction is that the company's "problems seemed to deteriorate so rapidly in 1990," since the company raised its dividend in January. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/26)

Based on insider buying, UNC appears to be on the brink of a big earnings surge, predicts NORMAN FOSSBACK, editor of "The Insiders." The chairman of the company purchased nearly 50,000 shares on the open market late last month. Other stocks showing heavy insider buying: NWNL, VON'S SUPERMARKETS and CAESAR'S WORLD. (CNBC "World Business", 9/27)

DEER & CO. stock fell 3 3/8 to 45 3/8 yesterday after analyst MITCHELL QUAIN of WERTHEIM SCHRODER cut his earnings estimate. But THOMAS BURNS of GOLDMAN SACHS says: "The stock is cheap. We have a buy recommendation." ("USA Today", 9/27)

Software developer AUTODESK was off 1 to 42 1/2 yesterday, falling on rumors that the introduction of a long awaited software package might be delayed. But LAURA CONIGLIARO of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. says there are more

concrete reasons for Autodesk's decline. "There's beginning to be some discussion about how fast a company like Autodesk can grow if we go into recession," explains Conigliaro. ("Investor's Daily", 9/27)

MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY says a long bear market has driven many stocks down to levels that make them good buys for the future, citing IBM as a prime example. He also likes PACIFIC TELESIS, USWEST and GTE. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/26)

"There is profit margin erosion [for the Big Three automakers] caused by an effort to keep sales up in the face of what's going on in the Persian Gulf," says DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS' RONALD GLANTZ. Most analysts agree that all three automakers will post significantly lower profits, with CHRYSLER posting its second quarterly loss since 1982. ("Investor's Daily", 9/27)

Having traded at prices as high as 95 earlier this year, NIKE closed at 64 1/2 yesterday. Many analysts think the stock is a good buy, but perhaps not yet. "I think it could move back into the $80 level next year," says MIKE SHEA of BLACK & CO. "That doesn't mean it won't go down to 50 first." "I came away with no great urge to buy the stock,' says another analyst who refused to be identified. ("Investor's Daily", 9/27)

"Hurricane signals are flying everywhere: don't ignore them," advises the "Wellington Letter." "This is a long-term, serious bear market." Any rally now would end in a trap, offering another good short selling opportunity. The newsletter suggests shorting McCAW CELLULAR. (CNBC "World Business", 9/27)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 27) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"The market doesn't have its own idea of where the dollar should be, so it waits for rumors or makes them up," says RALF WEIDENHAMMER, manager of treasury and foreign-exchange operations at COMMEREZBANK in Tokyo. (WSJ, 9/27)

"It was a rather lackluster day in terms of liquidity" in the currency market, says BANK OF BOSTON's SCOTT HOROWITZ. Many analysts say dealers were busy with paperwork yesterday. ("Investor's Daily", 9/27)

"I would be very surprised if the Fed doesn't lower interest rates within the next few weeks," says GEOFFREY BELL, president of GEOFFREY BELL & CO., a financial consulting firm. Mr. Bell also expects further interest-rate cuts later this year. He predicts the rate on federal funds will fall to 7% by

year end from its recent level of 8%. But even if the Fed does cut short-term rate, Mr. Bell says that long-term bond yields will not follow suit. "The long bond will dance to a different tune." By the end of the year he predicts long- term Treasury bonds will yield between 9% and 9 1/4%. (WSJ, 9/27)

"There was significant demand" from investors for the new four-year Treasury notes, says JOSEPH LIRO, a senior vice president at S.G. WARBURG & CO. "For the small investor, a yield above 8 1/2% for four years on a Treasury note is probably a fairly decent investment. That's a fairly attractive return on a riskless asset." (WSJ, 9/27)

THE ECONOMY:

"For all practical purposes, the whole economy is in a recession at this point " says JERRY JASINOWSKI, president of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS. "But I think this is likely to be a pretty mild recession." Jasinowski says the manufacturing sector is stronger than in the past and inventories are under control. "If we can get a budget agreement, bring down interest rates a bit and move forward on energy ... we can have a decline in growth in fourth quarter and the first quarter of next year of less than one percent." (CNN "Business Morning", 9/27)

"It's not going to be a good Christmas," says EDWARD YARDENI of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE RESEARCH. He predicts zero economic growth and only a "puny" rise in employment for the rest of the year. "The key to consumer spending is jobs, and a dramatic slowdown (in new jobs) began in July," says Yardeni. ("Investor's Daily", 9/27)

"We are definitely on the cusp, on the lip, on the fringe of a recession," says ROBERT STOVALL, president of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. He notes that stocks usually turn down a few months before a recession begins, and turn up a few months before it ends. He says that it could easily be "a year before this is over with." (WSJ, 9/27)

"The decline in durable-goods orders provides further confirmation that the recession began in August," says GORDON RICHARDSON, an economist at the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS. (WSJ, 9/27)

The durable goods report "is another sign that the economy is essentially dead in the water," says DAVID BLITZER, chief economist for STANDARD & POOR'S. "But it's not diving into recession. It's really standing still." ("Nightly Business Report", 9/26)

"I think that a recession got started last month and the personal income numbers and the spending numbers back up that feeling," says JAMES SOLLOWAY of ARGUS RESEARCH. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/26)

SAMUEL KAHAN, chief economist at FUJI SECURITIES, says the personal spending

and disposable income figures released yesterday "are consistent with an economy that is dead in the water." DAVID BERSON, chief economist at the FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, says the latest reports underscore "that the economy is pretty fragile." ("The Washington Post" and "USA Today", 9/27)

When adjusted for inflation, both personal income and consumption showed slight drops in August, under what economists had expected. These figures "clearly show the beginnings of a sharp compression in consumer purchasing power," according to STEPHEN ROACH of MORGAN STANLEY. He says purchasing power could decline by as much as 3% in the fourth quarter alone. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/26)

"If you want to send a gift to a friendly retailer, send them some worry beads " says ALAN MILLSTEIN, publisher of "Fashion Network Report." LEONARD BERRY, director of the CENTER FOR RETAILING STUDIES at TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, says, "Any retailer that approaches the near future with a secure feeling is one that hasn't been seeing what's going on." ("USA Today", 9/27)

Durable goods orders were down 0.8% in August. "On the surface it seems to suggest that producers are wary about the economic outlook," says GILBERT BENZ an economist with the SWISS BANK CORPORATION in New York. "There's no way that producer investment won't be affected by oil prices, particularly if they stay above $35 a barrel." (NYT, 9/27)

"In my 30 years of being in the [real estate] business, it is probably the worst market I have ever been in," says BEN FLAMM, owner of AARON REAL ESTATE in Philadelphia. CHANDLER BARTON, head of COLDWELL BANKER's residential group says, "Except for a few select major cities, primarily in the Midwest, the real estate resale market is off about 20% from one year ago." ("USA Today", 9/27)

The CONFERENCE BOARD reports that its consumer confidence index was unchanged in September following its dramatic decline in August. That still means that consumer confidence is at its lowest point since the 1982 recession. FABIAN LINDEN, a Conference Board economist, says consumers remained uncertain because there was little progress in the Persian Gulf crisis. "People are increasingly concerned that inflation and interest rates will be rising." (NYT, 9/27)

"After seven years of economic recovery, the poverty rate was higher in 1989 than in any year in the 1970s, including the deepest recession years of that decade," says ROBERT GREENSTEIN, director of the CENTER ON BUDGET AND POLICY PRIORITIES, a nonprofit organization that researches poverty issues. "With the economy now running out of steam and a new recession threatening, the poverty rate is likely to start rising again." (WSJ, 9/27)

Oil prices declined sharply overnight, but independent oil analyst HUMPHREY

HARRISON this morning says crude is headed to $50 per barrel and could go higher. Exporters can increase production to meet consumption but not total demand from nervous dealers looking to increase their stocks, says Harrison. He puts the odds of a shooting war in the Mideast at ninety percent. (CNN "Business Day", 9/27)

IN WASHINGTON:

PRESIDENT BUSH "might be willing to compromise on capital-gains taxes," which have been one of the main sticking-points in the budget talks, says SENATE REPUBLICAN LEADER ROBERT DOLE of Kansas. (WSJ, 9/27)

"The hang-up [in the budget negotiations] continues to be taxes, and whether ... the wealthiest Americans ... will bear any burden," says House Majority Whip WILLIAM GRAY (D. - Penn.). (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/26)

"I'm highly concerned that if you take [sequestration's] piece out of the federal budget, you're going to see one more block pulled out of the foundation of this growth cycle," says PORTER WHEELER, chief economist at the JEFFERSON GROUP. He says failure to arrive at a budget agreement would push the economy "into more of a certainty of a recession. Unfortunately, Wheeler also thinks the chances for a deal are slim, saying, "There seems to be more of a stalemate this year." ("Investor's Daily", 9/27)

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MIAMI (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T today announced it will reduce prices and introduce discounts on select in-state long distance services, representing nearly $20 million in savings for Florida AT&T customers. The savings will begin Oct. 1.

Basic AT&T Long Distance services will be reduced by an average of 5 percent on calls made during the day and evening time periods. AT&T Reach Out(R) Florida customers will receive an additional 5 percent reduction on calls during the same time periods.

Business customers using AT&T PRO(SM) WATS services will also see price savings of 5 percent during day and evening call periods, and AT&T 800 READYLINE users will enjoy a new 15 percent discount on evening calls and a 27 percent discount on night weekend calls.

Florida AT&T MEGACOM WATS prices will be reduced an average of 8.5 percent and MEGACOM 800 prices will be cut by 6.6 percent.

AT&T is passing along savings it will receive beginning next month as the result of a Florida Public Service Commission order requiring local telephone companies to charge long distance companies less for access to local networks.

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SYRACUSE, NY (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Edwin J. Lyons, president and chief executive officer of Community Bank System, Inc. (CBSI), a $640 million multi-bank holding company based in DeWitt, N.Y., announced today that the board of directors of CBSI has voted to consolidate its five affiliate national banks into one bank, thus creating a one-bank holding company. The five banks to be consolidated are: The St. Lawrence National Bank in Canton; Horizon Bank, N.A., in Waterloo; The Exchange National Bank in Olean; The Nichols National Bank in Nichols, and Community National Bank in Addison.

Lyons stated that the corporate reorganization and merger has been designed to accelerate achievement of the company's profitability objectives and strategic direction, and implementation will be consistent with the company's historically strong commitment to community banking throughout its market areas.

This corporate reorganization will require and is contingent upon regulatory approval, which is expected during the fourth quarter of 1990.

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#90270p8697 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Essex Financial Partners, L.P., a multi-state, multi-thrift holding company operating in the Southeast, announced its next regular quarterly distribution.

On Nov. 15, 1990, Essex Financial Partners will pay a distribution of 40 cents per limited partnership unit. The distribution will be payable to unitholders of record Oct. 1, 1990. Essex Financial Partners is listed on the American Stock Exchange (AMEX: ESX).

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HAYWARD, CA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Nellcor Inc. (NASDAQ: NELL) today

announced that it has granted a license under its sensor-coding patents to SpaceLabs Inc. to use Nellcor's oximetry sensors with SpaceLabs' new model 90489 pulse oximetry module.

"We are very pleased to have completed this agreement with SpaceLabs," said Ray Larkin, Jr., Nellcor president and chief executive officer. "The agreement expands the list of major patient monitoring companies -- including Hewlett-Packard, Siemens and Puritan-Bennett -- with whom we now have patent licensing agreements. These agreements testify to the advantages of Nellcor's proprietary sensor technology in a range of diverse clinical settings."

The agreement allows SpaceLabs to offer Nellcor's multiple-use and single-use, patient-dedicated oximetry sensors with the new 90489 module. The wide variety of Nellcor sensors increases the module's possible applications for neonatal, pediatric and adult patients. The module is compatible with all SpaceLabs' Patient Care Management System (PCMS) monitors and is also able to use other sensors, including SpaceLabs' sensors.

SpaceLabs Inc. is a leading manufacturer of clinical information systems, patient monitoring equipment, diagnostic monitoring products and semi-automatic defibrillators for the pre-hospital market.

Nellcor Inc. designs, manufacturers and markets electronic monitoring instruments for patient safety and management in operating rooms, recovery rooms, intensive care units and throughout the hospital. Nellcor is the leading producer of pulse oximeters used in hospitals for the continuous measurement of patient oxygen status.

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#90270p8699 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - 88open Consortium Ltd. today announced the availability of the Executive Processor Interface Specification (EPIS), a description of the interface between hardware and an embedded systems application, typically a real-time kernel. This standard is the first such definition of an embedded systems interface and is receiving wide support from both kernel and hardware developers.

Prior to the existence of the EPIS, embedded systems applications had to be designed for a specific microprocessor implementation. With EPIS, real-time operating system developers can now create embedded systems independent of the target hardware -- systems that execute on multiple 88000 hardware implementations. This specification bridges the gap between hardware and real-time software. Telecommunications, avionics, military and other embedded systems can now be designed and built without relying on specific hardware.

Board vendors, end users and kernel developers were all represented in the creation of this specification. BBN Advanced Computers, Eyring Research, FORCE Computers, Motorola, Ready Systems, Software Components Group, and Wind River Systems participated in the development of EPIS.

EPIS documentation is available from 88open Consortium Ltd. Orders may be faxed to 408-436-0725, or call 408-436-6600 for more information.

The 88open Consortium, creator of the industry's first UNIX application binary interface, is an organization of software and systems suppliers supporting Motorola's 88000 family of RISC microprocessors. With more than 50 members worldwide, 88open focuses on the certification of software applications across a variety of 88000-based hardware platforms, including real-time systems, fault-tolerant systems, computer servers, workstations, personal computers and portables. The consortium provides member services and compatibility certification for software and systems based on the MC88000.

The consortium employs 25 people in the San Jose office, and maintains 88open International Centres at member-company facilities in Maidenhead, United Kingdom; Oslo, Norway; and Frankfurt, West Germany. Each location offers hardware use, porting and certification support at no charge to interested software vendors.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Time Warner's (NYSE: TWX) newest publication has chosen VU/TEXT as its electronic library service and is now available for computerized access.

Entertainment Weekly is the first national consumer magazine covering all major areas of current entertainment including reviews and features, focusing on what's new and notable nationwide in TV, movie, video, print and music entertainment.

VU/TEXT subscribers will have access to the full text of the magazine which is primarily comprised of reviews. Editorial opinions are supplemented with an overview of what other critics across the country are saying, providing a balanced and regional perspective.

The Entertainment Weekly database covers entertainment industry news and the explosion of entertainment products and services. Like the magazine, the database contains regular sections such as:

-- TV, Movies, Videos, and Print -- with reviews and newsy tidbits; -- Tech -- reviews of home entertainment equipment in simple terms; -- Advertising -- a

look at new commercials for their entertainment value; and,

-- Kids -- entertainment for children rated for appropriate ages. The complete Entertainment Weekly database is online with VU/TEXT, code ENT, dating back to the first issue on Feb. 16, 1990. VU/TEXT serves as the magazine's electronic archives. Entertainment Weekly may also be accessed by using VU/TEXT's magazine global, code MAG, along with Time, People, Fortune, Money, Life, and Sports Illustrated. Cost to access either database is $1.80/minute for Option I and $2.20/minute for Option II.

VU/TEXT is the largest U.S. newspaper databank providing access to 65 newspapers, more than 160 business journals, and top newswires and magazines. For more information, call 800-323-2940.

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#90270p8703 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HONG KONG (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Hong Kong Telecom (NYSE: HKT) today announced it is to adopt the international standard for quality management, ISO 9000, making it the first major Hong Kong company to commit to the internationally recognized quality procedure.

"Quality management is a crucial issue for all Hong Kong businesses and will be key to the territory's future success," said Michael Gale, chief executive of Hong Kong Telecom.

Speaking at the IEEE Tencon dinner, Gale drew attention to the increasing role of quality in retaining Hong Kong's competitive leadership in world markets.

"It is becoming harder for us to compete on price alone. One answer has been to relocate labor-intensive industries, and for Hong Kong to concentrate more on associated service, like finance, marketing and design. Businesses have also moved 'up-market', competing on non-price elements, such as design, innovation, marketing and after-sales service. One of the most important elements underlying all these factors is quality," Gale said.

Noting the Hong Kong Government's Quality Awareness Campaign, Gale applauded the initiative. "Government has set up the Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency to act as a center of excellence and advice, and is spreading the message about the need for quality management," added Gale.

Pointing to the need for quality in the telecommunications industry, Gale outlined Hong Kong Telecom's commitment to "Total Quality Management".

In order to put a quantifiable measure into quality, Hong Kong Telecom today committed to ISO 9000, the international standard for quality management

systems.

Under ISO 9000 a company must set quality standards and establish procedures by which those standards are met. It must monitor whether the procedures are working, improving them where necessary. Full documentation and implementation is mandatory, and compliance is audited by the Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency.

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#90270p8708 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CT (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Corporation (NYSE: UK) today announced that its board of directors has approved management's proposal for a share repurchase plan. Carbide will commence a "Dutch auction" self-tender offer on October 1 for 20 million common shares, or approximately 14 percent of common shares outstanding.

"We regard the repurchase of our shares as an attractive investment," Robert D. Kennedy, chairman and chief executive officer, said. "Union Carbide has a prosperous future and we believe that our stock represents a considerable value at current prices."

Under the "Dutch auction" offer, each Union Carbide common shareholder will be invited to tender shares at prices specified by the shareholder, within the range to be announced October 1. The company will purchase 20 million shares at a price within that range. The offer will not be conditioned on any minimum number of shares being offered.

The tender offer, proration period and withdrawal rights will expire on October 29 unless extended by Union Carbide. On September 26 the closing price of the company's common stock was $14.25.

Neither the company nor its board of directors makes any recommendation to any shareholder as to whether to tender or refrain from tendering any or all of such shareholder's shares in the offer and has not authorized any person to make any such recommendation. Details of the offer will be mailed to all Union Carbide shareholders.

The dealer manager for the offer is Morgan Stanley & Co., Inc. The depository and information agent is First Chicago Trust Company of New York.

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#90270p8709 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
DANBURY, CT (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Corporation (NYSE: UK) today announced the establishment of an Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) in conjunction with its Savings Program for eligible employees, effective January 1.

The ESOP will be funded through an independently managed ESOP trust that will borrow $325 million to purchase shares of a new issue of convertible preferred stock from Union Carbide. The preferred stock will be placed in the ESOP trust for allocation to Savings Program participants. There will be no dilution of earnings caused by the formation of the ESOP, given the share repurchase initiative also announced today.

In conjunction with the establishment of the ESOP, Union Carbide is increasing the company match on employee Savings Program contributions to 50 percent, from 30 percent, effective January 1.

Union Carbide Chairman Robert D. Kennedy said the corporation is establishing the ESOP "to broaden internal ownership in the company by creating a valuable common ground of shared goals between the employee- owners and public shareholders. The increased match, in turn, makes Union Carbide's Savings Program more competitive, which is important to our ability to attract and retain talented employees, and also should help employees build a more secure retirement," said Kennedy.

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#90270p8712 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
DANBURY, CT (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Corporation (NYSE: UK) today announced that its board of directors has approved a management proposal to complete the restructuring of the domestic retail packaged gases operations of the corporation's Union Carbide Industrial Gas Company Inc. subsidiary.

Under the plan, five independent regional companies will be formed after certain assets and businesses valued at approximately $55 million are divested and others are added to strengthen the market position of the remaining businesses. Employees of these companies will become majority owners. Employee equity in the new companies will be realized through Employee Stock Ownership Plans (ESOP) whose values will be finalized later this year.

Union Carbide will retain a significant minority interest in the new companies and will work closely with them to strengthen their market positions. Management of the new companies will also have an equity interest.

Packaged gases, chiefly oxygen, nitrogen, argon, acetylene and specialty

mixtures, are gases sold in cylinders from regional distribution centers around the country. Domestic sales last year for this segment of Carbide's industrial gases business amounted to $300 million. The restructuring is expected to be completed by mid-1991.

Robert D. Kennedy, Union Carbide chairman and chief executive officer, said that because the retail packaged gases business competes with independently owned distributors, it will do better as a group of regional companies outside Union Carbide's corporate structure. "Restructuring with significant employee ownership creates an environment for the business to become truly competitive " Kennedy said.

Restructuring will have a long-term beneficial effect on Union Carbide results he noted. UCIG will continue to supply the new companies with industrial gases and technical support. UCIG will continue to work with them in partnership to provide products and services to customers in the marketplace. Kennedy said that packaged gases staff reductions and other actions being taken to reduce costs would make a significant difference in the performance of the resulting companies.

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#90270p8713 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CT (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Corporation (NYSE: UK) today announced that discussions were in progress with strategic partners who are interested in an acquisition of up to 50 percent of the equity in UCAR Carbon Company Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary. Sales of the subsidiary in 1989 were $802 million.

Robert D. Kennedy, chairman and chief executive officer, said that the prospective sale and joint ownership would strengthen the business considerably. He said it would support Carbide's value-building strategy and the company's interest in creating long-term value for shareholders.

Kennedy said the completion of the sale, expected in the first quarter of 1991 should result in a substantial cash infusion for Carbide and serve to further reduce the company's debt. The transaction is expected to result in a non-recurring after-tax book loss estimated at between $70-90 million.

The management of UCAR Carbon will continue to operate the business, which will retain its present workforce. UCAR Carbon is the major international supplier of carbon and graphite electrodes to the steel and other industries, and specialties to the steel and metallurgical industries.

UCAR Carbon manufactures graphite electrodes in nine countries in North America, Western Europe and Brazil. The company also manufactures specialty

products, including Grafoil, a gasketing used as an asbestos substitute.

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DANBURY, CT (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Corporation (NYSE: UK) announced today that KEMET Electronics Corporation, in which it holds 50 percent interest, will be sold for an undisclosed sum. The remaining 50 percent interest is held by General Electric Capital Corporation and KEMET management.

Union Carbide also announced plans to sell its remaining interest in Lincare Inc., formerly Linde's home oxygen service business. The remaining 50 percent of the business is held by Lincare management and others.

Robert D. Kennedy, chairman and chief executive officer, said the two businesses do not fit the company's strategic plans.

KEMET Electronics manufactures and sells high quality tantalum, ceramic and film capacitors to the electronics industry. Lincare provides home oxygen and other respiratory care services.

CONTACT: T. F. Sprick of Union Carbide, 203-794-6992.

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BOXBOROUGH, MA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - At Interop '90, Racal InterLan Inc., a technology leader in LAN networking, will introduce an extensible LAN communications system that integrates 10BaseT concentrators, ASYNC terminal servers and Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) in the same chassis. The new product series, the INTERNExT 5000 Communications System (INX5000), enables users to manage a mix of PC and terminal connections at the facility, closet, and workgroup level.

Racal Interlan's INX5000 Communications System is designed for structured wiring system applications. It supports Ethernet connection on coax, twisted pair, and fiber optic media and is compatible with all popular building wiring schemes. Fiber Optic Inter-Repeater Link (FOIRL) support allows the use of fiber optic backbones between multiple INX5000 systems, which extends interchassis distances and positions the customer's network for Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI) migration.

Much of the expanded functionality is derived from use of a midplane architecture instead of a backplane. The separation of intelligent logic modules and connectvity options via the midplane enables integration of dual

protocol terminal servers and 10BaseT concentrators in the same chassis.

The mid-plane design also incorporates a dual Ethernet bus for increased performance, reliability and maintainability. This dual bus architecture allows network administrators to set up logical and physical subnets within the same chassis.

Other unique features include:
-- A distributed linear power supply with optional redundancy and hot-swappable components
-- Non-volatile EPROM storage and multiple software bootload options
-- Fault tolerant power distribution, redundant management modules, and no central re-timing module eliminate single failure points in the system

There are also advanced fault isolation and repair features including on-board diagnostics, environmental sensors, and automatically generated alarms. Complete network, chassis, module, and port-level statistics are collected and accessed via one of three optional management tools.

Racal InterLan, Inc. designs and manufactures hardware and software solutions for standards-based local area networking at the workgroup, departmental, and premises levels. Headquartered in Boxborough, Mass., Racal InterLan employs 275 people in the United States and abroad. Racal InterLan is a subsidiary of The Racal Corporation, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., a company within the $550 million Data Communications Group of $3.2 billion parent corporation, Racal Electronics Plc.

CONTACT: Charles Dillon or David Zwicker at Racal InterLan, Inc., 508-263-9929; or John Nero of G/R Public Relations, 617-926-5030, for Racal InterLan, Inc.

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#90270p8716 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WYOMISSING, PA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - VF Corporation (NYSE: VFC) today announced that orders and shipments at its Lee jeans division were running substantially behind plan in September. As a consequence, financial results for VF, particularly in the fourth quarter, are projected to be well below recent estimates. According to a spokesman, shipments through August, driven by solid levels of at-once business, were tracking estimates. September orders, however, ran well behind those of August and behind those of September of the previous year, leading management to be concerned about the overall back-to-school season for all jeans at retail. Management is unable at this time to quantify the downside for VF but is expressing serious concerns about general economic and industry conditions. Accordingly, several alternatives are currently being explored to respond to the unexpected shortfall. Thus far business at other VF divisions appears to be meeting expectations.

CONTACT: Gerard G. Johnson, vice president of finance and chief financial officer of VF, 215-378-1151.

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#90270p8722 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WATERFORD, MICH. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Joe Lunghamer Chevrolet GEO, one of Michigan's largest-volume Chevrolet dealers, is experiencing "remarkably good" customer traffic at its newly opened $3.5 million retail store, according to its owner. Joe Lunghamer attributed the better-than-average volume to spiraling gasoline prices and expanded business hours of 9 a.m.-9 p.m. weekdays plus sales on Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

The new, full-service facility, described by some as representative of dealerships of the future, is on 7-1/4 acres adjacent to the Summit Place Shopping Mall in this suburban Detroit community. It contains 50,400 square feet of space, or almost half a football field, under one roof. The bulk of the space, according to Mr. Lunghamer, is occupied by 45 service bays, a body shop and two downdraft paint booths, while the balance is devoted to a color-coordinated showroom-sales area and administrative offices.

"There is interest in our new facility," said Mr. Lunghamer, a University of Michigan architectural graduate who used his academic training in designing the new structure. "But the rise in gasoline prices and our new business hours are what's really motivating customers," he said.

Although it's too early to tell, Mr. Lunghamer noted that a trend may be developing in which some buyers "concerned about the economy and continued dependence on foreign oil" will buy smaller, more fuel- efficient cars than they have in the past.

The dealership, now in its 35th year, employs 90 and had been in the City of Pontiac.

The new facility is "state-of-the-art" equipped, including a programmed energy system for heating and cooling, to ensure maximum efficiency in its operation, maintenance and safety, Mr. Lunghamer said. The roof extends from the front of the building to provide sheltered space for up to 18 vehicles, while there is unsheltered space for another 680.

CONTACT: Joe Lunghamer, 313-683-7100; or Wayne Klein of Wayne Klein Communications, 313-334-0001, for Joe Lunghamer Chevrolet GEO

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TROY, MI (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) announced

today the expansion of two of its subsidiary companies to Puerto Rico.

Sites have been selected for the development of 12 PACE Membership Warehouse and Builders Square stores on the island. Construction is to begin in early 1991.

PACE, headquartered in Aurora, Colo., is a membership warehouse which markets top quality merchandise at wholesale prices to its members. Product categories range from fresh meats, produce and bakery goods to auto supplies, apparel and office equipment. The 60 PACE Membership Warehouse locations are currently found in 16 states.

Builders Square, a warehouse-style home improvement chain with headquarters in San Antonio, Texas, operates 146 sites across the United States. Warehouse departments include lumber, plumbing, cabinets and furniture, paint and garden supplies, all sold at discount prices.

In addition to the introduction of PACE and Builders Square to Puerto Rico, the company is continuing the expansion of the Kmart store program on the island. A new Kmart opened in the community of Vega Baja in June, bringing to 12 the number of Kmart stores currently operating in Puerto Rico. Stores are now under construction in San German and Juana Diaz. Five additional Kmart stores have been approved for development during 1991-92.

"After several visits to Puerto Rico and a complete review of the potential business opportunity for these companies, we are enthusiastic about locating these warehouses there," said Larry M. Parkin, Kmart's executive vice president for warehouse and grocery operations. "In view of Kmart's over-30-year history of serving the residents of Puerto Rico, we are particularly pleased to announce the expansion of our Kmart store program and the introduction of PACE Membership Warehouse and Builders Square," he continued.

Approximately 1,900 new jobs will be created as these planned stores open.

Kmart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,330 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse, Inc. and The Sports Authority.

CONTACT: Janet Potter of Kmart Corporation, 313-643-1021.

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#90270p8733 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - NovaCare, Inc. (NASDAQ: NVCR) announced today the public offering of 3,250,000 shares of its common stock at

a price of $15.00 per share of which 849,101 shares are being sold by the company and 2,400,899 shares are being sold by selling stockholders.

The offering was underwritten by Robertson, Stephens & Company, Alex Brown & Sons Incorporated, Lehman Brothers, and Paribas Corporation. The company will use the proceeds of the offering to repay debt, fund the development of management information systems, and finance strategic acquisitions.

Copies of the prospectus relating to these securities may be obtained by contacting Robertson Stephens & Company, One Embarcadero Center, San Francisco Calif. 94111, 415-781-9700, or Alex Brown & Sons Incorporated, 135 East Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Md. 21202, 301-727-1700.

NovaCare, Inc. is the largest provider of contract rehabilitation therapy services to the industry and the only provider of such services on a national basis.

CONTACT: Timothy E. Foster, senior vice president of NovaCare, 215-631-9300, or Susan A. Noonan, or Kathryn M. Baker, both of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for NovaCare.

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#90270p8734 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to Grossman's (NASDAQ: GROS) latest letter, Jay Shidler issued the following statement:

"Our position remains clear, Grossman's needs to aggressively restructure its store base and operating economics to survive and prosper during the 1990's.

We do not understand why Grossman's board and management remain adamant in their statements to their stockholders that it's business as usual at Grossman's. It's not! And the market's evaluation of Grossman's with a $2-3/4 stock price confirms this."

Shidler concluded, "In our opinion, it is time for change and time is short."

CONTACT: Ian Killips of The Shidler/Holman Group, 808-531-3000; or Jennifer Wall or Richard De May of D. F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for The Shidler/Holman Group

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#90270p8736 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO) today reported that it has sold the assets and business of its wholly owned Perfection Heat Treating Company subsidiary in Detroit, Mich., for $1.2 million.

The operation was purchased Sept. 20, 1990, by Brannon, Samaddar & Brannon, Inc., a group led by former Perfection managers.

The purchase price was approximately the same as the operation's adjusted carrying value. The transaction will have no effect on Thermo Electron's third-quarter earnings.

Perfection is a commercial heat treating operation specializing in large batch processing of special fasteners for the automotive industry. The operation was idled in the fourth quarter of 1989 after Thermo Electron concentrated its metallurgical services businesses in Los Angeles and Minneapolis to principally serve customers in aerospace and other high-technology applications.

Thermo Electron develops, manufactures and markets environmental and analytical instruments, custom-engineered and pre-packaged cogeneration systems, industrial process equipment, biomedical materials and products, and fabricated biomedical and aerospace components. The company also provides metallurgical heat treating, water quality engineering, and analytical laboratory services.

CONTACT: John N. Hatsopoulos of Thermo Electron Corporation, 617-622-6111

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#90270p8737 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALICE, TX (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Ponder Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: PNDR) announced that its offering of common stock through Texas Securities Inc. has ended.

Ponder has also terminated its relationship with Interco Funding Group Inc. Ponder is presently preparing an updated registration statement which pertains to a public offering of approximately 1,000,000 shares of its common stock.

The new offering will be priced at the time the updated registration statement is declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Ponder provides fishing tool and directional drilling services to the oil and gas industry.

CONTACT: Gordon W. Allison of Ponder Industries Inc., (405) 843-0666.

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#90270p8742 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Norwest Corporation (NYSE: NOB) has promoted John E. Ganoe to senior vice president and head of strategic planning and acquisitions. He was vice president and a director in the department.

In his new post, Ganoe takes over day-to-day management of the department from Leslie S. Biller, executive vice president and head of a newly formed South Central Community Banking Group. Ganoe will continue to report to Biller, along with Norwest's Community Banking regions in Iowa and Nebraska, Norwest Card Services and Norwest Mortgage.

Biller said the focus of the department for the next year or so will be on "in-market acquisitions in areas where we would like to have a stronger presence."

Ganoe has been involved in Norwest's acquisitions program since 1986, when Norwest had assets of $20 billion. Acquisitions since then, completed and pending, are expected to increase Norwest's assets to more than $35 billion.

Ganoe was born in Des Moines and graduated from high school in Adel, Iowa. He joined Norwest in 1983 as controller of its Iowa banking region, based in Des Moines, and was chief administrative officer of the region when he transferred to the corporate staff in January 1985 to a new position as manager of its policy, standards and procedures program.

Before joining Norwest, Ganoe was chief financial officer of Banks of Iowa, Inc.

He has bachelor's degrees in accounting and industrial engineering from Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa. While in Des Moines, he served on the Governor's Prison Industry Advisory Board.

Norwest Corporation is a $26.8 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking-related and specialized financial services through more than 1,290 offices in 47 states and internationally.

CONTACT: Jack Kerr of Norwest Corporation, 612-667-0148

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#90270p8744 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Boston Edison Company (NYSE: BSE) announced that its board of directors today voted the following dividends to be paid Nov. 1, 1990 to holders of record as of Oct. 10, 1990:

A quarterly dividend of 38 cents per share on the common stock of the company, which is the 406th consecutive dividend to be paid to common shareholders by the Boston utility;

A quarterly dividend of $1.07 per share on the company's cumulative preferred stock, 4.25 percent series; a quarterly dividend of $1.20 per share on the company's cumulative preferred stock, 4.78 percent series; a quarterly

dividend of $2.22 per share on the company's cumulative preferred stock, 8.88 percent series; and a quarterly dividend of $1.8175 per share on the company's cumulative preferred stock, 7.27 percent series.

CONTACT: Daniel L. Desjardins of Boston Edison, 617-424-3834 or 617-424-2055 (Evenings and weekends).

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#90270p8746 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. (LMT) (NASDAQ: LMTS) announced that it filed today with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement for the issuance of $10 million in 10 percent convertible subordinated debentures. The debentures are convertible into common stock at a premium. The offering will be made only by prospectus to qualified buyers.

The debentures will be offered through Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood, Incorporated. The proceeds to LMT will be used for working capital and repayment of certain indebtedness.

LMT common stock is currently traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol LMTS.

LaserMaster Technologies, Inc., designs, manufactures and markets laser printer and display systems and subsystems for high quality electronic printing and desktop publishing applications. LMT's products include high performance printer controllers, plain-paper desktop typesetters and integrated electronic publishing systems which feature the company's proprietary TurboRes resolution enhancement technology.

CONTACT: Karen Neset of LaserMaster Technologies, Inc., 612-941-8687

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#90270p8747 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST CHESTER, PA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Roy F. Weston Inc. (NASDAQ: WSTNA) announced today it has been awarded the second of three one-year contract options by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to provide technical support services to its Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management (OCRWM).

"This execution of the second option year of our contract is a strong endorsement by the DOE of the quality and timeliness of the work of the Weston team," said Robert E. Jackson, Ph.D., program manager for the project.

Valued at $16.4 million, the contract will require 330,000 man-hours of effort.

OCRWM, established by the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, is responsible for

the development of a total nuclear waste management system for the safe and environmentally acceptable disposal of spent fuel and high-level radioactive wastes from civilian reactors and DOE defense facilities. Weston has been under contract to OCRWM since 1983.

Weston will perform this work in the firm's Washington, D.C., office located in L'Enfant Plaza. They will be assisted by the following subcontractors: Engineering and Economics Research Inc., Vienna, Va.; ICF Inc., Washington, D.C.; Jacobs Engineering Corp., Pasadena, Calif.; United Engineers & Constructors Inc., Philadelphia; Williams Brothers Engineering Co., Tulsa, Okla., and Rogers & Associates, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Weston is a full-service environmental engineering and consulting firm providing nationwide analytical laboratory services, consulting and engineering, remediation, facility construction and operations, technical information management, and major program management services.

Weston's clients include many Fortune 500 companies and most major cities in the country. The company is a principal provider of services to the U.S. Department of Defense and the U.S. Department of Energy.

Headquartered in West Chester, Weston operates a network of four analytical laboratories and 44 offices, including Los Angeles, Houston, Chicago, Atlanta, Boston, New York and Washington.

CONTACT: Michael E. Herron of Weston, 215-344-3442.

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#90270p8748 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

JAMESTOWN, NY (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Bush Industries of California Inc., a subsidiary of Bush Industries Inc. (AMEX: BSH), has acquired the working assets of Eric Morgan Inc., a casegoods manufacturer located in San Diego.

Paul S. Bush, chairman and president of Bush Industries, stated: "The Eric Morgan line perfectly complements the quality and product reputation of Bush Industries. Eric Morgan is considered an innovative product leader of home entertainment casegoods and Bush is a leader in ready-to-assemble furniture. Both companies have always set a premium on producing quality and value. As a part of the Bush team, Eric Morgan will help us to form a powerful force that offers a full product spectrum and a dedication to superior standards of design and innovation."

Carl Shulman, chairman of Eric Morgan, said: "I am extremely pleased and believe that Bush Industries now has the best total product offering in the industry. I look forward to the continued growth of the Eric Morgan product group and becoming a member of the Bush team."

The Eric Morgan products consist of a full line of set-up home entertainment centers and home entertainment wall units in traditional, contemporary and casual collections. Bush Industries is one of the country's leading manufacturers of ready-to-assemble furniture with collections of home entertainment and occasional furniture, wall units, bookcases, bedroom and home and office furniture.

CONTACT: Zeke Rose of Porter, Le Vay & Rose, 212-564-4700, for Bush Industries.

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#90270p8751 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Curtice Burns Foods (AMEX: CBI) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.16 per share for the quarter ending Sept. 28, 1990.

The dividend is payable Oct. 30, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 16, 1990.

This is the company's 70th consecutive dividend since becoming public in 1973.

Through 10 autonomously managed divisions, 60 plants and warehouses and 7,000 employees throughout the U.S. and Western Canada, Curtice Burns Foods processes and markets more than 20 categories of regional branded, private label and food service products. Fiscal 1990 sales were $927 million.

CONTACT: Joan Miller of Curtice Burns Foods, 716-383-1850, or Thomas F. Rooney of Ketchum Public Relations, 212-536-8854, for Curtice Burns Foods

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#90270p8752 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSIWRE - William F. Hecht, executive vice president-operations for Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. (NYSE: PPL) was elected a director yesterday at the regular monthly meeting of the company's board of directors.

John T. Kauffman, PP&L chairman, president and chief executive officer, said Hecht's election as a director "adds additional depth to our board, and follows a longstanding tradition of having PP&L's executive vice presidents also serve as directors. Bill Hecht has a diverse background in the energy production and supply areas of our business, as well as the marketing and customer service functions. He also has considerable experience in the distribution engineering phases of our operations. He brings a wide range of experience and background to his additional duties as a director."

Hecht started with PP&L in 1964 as a graduate engineer trainee and was

promoted to project engineer in system planning in 1968. After serving in various assignments, he was promoted to manager-distribution planning in 1975 and a year later was named executive director of PP&L's Corporate Energy Planning Council.

He became manager-system planning in 1978 and five years later was appointed vice president-system power. In 1987 he was made vice president-marketing & customer services and early in 1989 was appointed vice president-power production & engineering. He was senior vice president-SP&E and a member of PP&L's corporate management committee from September 1989 to June 1990, when he assumed his present position.

He is a registered professional engineer in Pennsylvania and is a member of the Institute of Electrical & Electronics Engineers and the Marketing Conference, a national association of utility marketing executives. He was a part-time lecturer in electrical engineering at Lehigh University from 1973 through 1976.

He is a past chairman of the executive board of the Mid-Atlantic Area Council, the regional electric utility reliability coordination group to which PP&L belongs, and has served on the board of trustees of the North American Electric Reliability Council.

PP&L supplies electricity to a 10,000-square-mile area of 29 counties in central eastern Pennsylvania. Among the communities it serves are Allentown, Bethlehem, Harrisburg, Hazleton, Lancaster, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and Williamsport.

CONTACT: H. James Marsh of Pennsylvania Power & Light, 215-770-5241

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#90270p8753 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange today began trading put and call options on the Japan Index following Securities and Exchange Commission approval. The new options are denominated in dollars and offer investors the first SEC-regulated options on a broad-market of Japanese stocks.

The options trade under the ticker symbol "JPN." Spear, Leeds & Kellogg is the specialist unit, with Richard Reynolds as lead specialist.

Developed by the Amex, the Japan Index measures the aggregate performance of 210 leading stocks on the Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE) that represent a broad cross section of Japanese industries. The Index is calculated once a day based on the closing prices of the component stocks on the TSE and is disseminated before the opening of Amex trading.

"With the addition of options on the Japan Index, individual investors are able to participate in the movement of the Japanese market with a number of investment strategies," said American Stock Exchange Chairman James R. Jones. "This new product fits in well with the Exchange's strong list of other international investment securities."

JPN options opened with strike prices at five-point intervals from 210 to 235 in near-term expiration months of October, November and December, 1990. Options on longer-term months opened with strike prices at 50-point intervals from 200 to 250 and initial expirations of June and December of 1991 and 1992 and June of 1993.

The Japan Index tracks the Japanese blue-chip market and provides a distinct advantage to U.S. investors because of its denomination in U.S. dollars. The value of the index is based on a method in which stock prices in Japanese yen are stated in dollar terms. The Index dollar value corresponds directly to changes in the yen prices of its component stocks without being affected be fluctuating yen/dollar exchange rates.

"The new options on the Japan Index also allow investors to effectively hedge risk on portfolios heavily weighted by Japanese equity holdings." Jones said.

CONTACT: Shelly Wolfe of American Stock Exchange, 212-306-1641

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#90270p8756 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUDSON, NH (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Howtek Inc. (AMEX: HTK) and Adobe Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: ADBE) have signed an agreement to combine the Howtek Personal Color Scanner (PCS) and Adobe Photoshop Limited Edition, a special version of Adobe Photoshop. The combination of these leading products offers users a powerful desktop color solution for such applications as business graphics, presentations and color desktop publishing. The products will be available for shipment by the end of October.

Howtek's PCS and Adobe Photoshop Limited Edition color solution will be distributed through Howtek's dealer channel. The color solution will include the Howtek's PCS, Adobe Photoshop Limited Edition software, as well as Howtek's proprietary Mac "Scan-It" software. An upgrade program for the full-featured Adobe Photoshop will be instituted worldwide to offer the most comprehensive solution for end users.

"By teaming up with Howtek, we can really offer users an excellent, affordable way to do color publishing at the desktop level," said John Kunze, director of product marketing for Adobe's Application Products Divison.

The Personal Color Scanner is a 300 Dpi, 24-bit, flatbed scanner. The scanning area is 8.5" x 14" and image types include continuous tone, halftone, line art

and reflective art. Adobe Photoshop, the leading image editing package, offers the user an intuitive interface and a robust set of tools for image compositing, color correction, photo retouching and image manipulation. Adobe Photoshop Limited Edition retains the powerful image processing core of the full-featured version (grey scale and RGB color editing), but omits the color separation features.

"Howtek's decision to join forces with Adobe is based on Photoshop's dominant place in the desktop market," said John Seguin, Howtek's vice president of North American sales.

Howtek designs, engineers, and develops computer peripherals and systems for the color graphic market.

CONTACT: David Bothwell, president of Howtek Inc., 603-882-5200; or Alex Ross of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Howtek Inc.

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#90270p8758 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Matrix Service Company (NASDAQ: MTRX) has announced its initial public offering of 3,250,000 shares of common stock at a price of $8.00 per share.

Of the 3,250,000 shares offered, 2,845,000 shares are being sold by the company and 405,000 shares are being sold by certain selling stockholders. The underwriters have been granted an option by certain selling stockholders to purchase up to 250,000 additional shares to cover over-allotments.

The company will not receive any proceeds from the sale of shares by the selling shareholders. PaineWebber Incorporated (NYSE: PWJ), Robertson, Stephens & Company and First Analysis Securities Corporation are managers of the offering.

Matrix Service Company provides specialized on-site maintenance and construction services for petroleum refining and storage facilities. Through its wholly owned subsidiary, Matrix Service, Inc., the company is a leading provider of these services and related products for large aboveground storage tanks for petroleum and petrochemical products and piping systems located at petroleum refineries and bulk storage terminals.

Concurrently with the closing of this offering, the company will acquire Midwest Industrial Contractors, Inc., a leading provider of maintenance and construction services for refineries.

Midwest Industrial Contractors, Inc. specializes in performing "turnarounds," which involve complex, time-sensitive maintenance of the critical operating units of a refinery. Owners of petroleum refining and storage facilities use

the company's services to improve operating efficiencies and comply with environmental and safety regulations.

CONTACT: C. William Lee, vice president-finance of Matrix Service Company, (918) 838-8822.

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#90270p8766 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) and Mattel Toys Inc. (NYSE: MAT) will make kids' Christmas merrier this year with their first joint Holiday Toy Guide.

The guides will be available in Kmart stores Sept. 30-Oct. 31, while supplies last.

The guide includes a sweepstakes entitled "Trip to Toyland" featuring five grand prize trips for four to California, a tour of the new Mattel Toy Headquarters, and tickets to Disneyland. The 2,400 first-prize winners will each receive $50 Kmart gift certificates good on Mattel toys at their local Kmart.

The 24-page, full-color Holiday Toy Guide will feature coupons redeemable for over $30 worth of valuable discounts ranging from $1 to $5 off the price of 16 popular Mattel toys and accessories. Additional discounts on special purchases of Mattel toys may be obtained by using a MasterCard credit card with the appropriate "MasterValues" coupon from the guide. Both Mattel and MasterValues coupons may be redeemed at any U.S. Kmart until Dec. 31, 1990.

"This exciting holiday gift guide will be distributed exclusively in Kmart stores for the prime time selling season," said William Parker, Kmart vice president of marketing and sales.

Couponed items which are featured include Baby Sparkles dolls, Barbie, Ken or friend dolls and accessories, Li'l Miss Magic Hair dolls, Cherry Merry Muffin dolls and accessories, Little Pretty Pets, See 'N Say talking toys, Hot Wheels track and play sets, Power Glove accessories for use with the Nintendo Entertainment System and items from the Mattel line of Disney Infant and Preschool toys.

Kmart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,332 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse Clubs and The Sports Authority.

CONTACT: Susan M. England of Kmart Corporation, 313-643-1077

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#90270p8769 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
WOODBURY, NY (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Millfeld Trading Co., Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SHOE; NASDAQ: SHOEW) today announced that the deadline by which the holders of the company's warrants must exercise their warrants and pay the $6.00 exercise price so as to receive any of the previously announced new warrants (each to purchase one share of the company's common stock), has been extended from Sept. 30, 1990 until Oct. 31, 1990.

In addition, the company has reduced the exercise price of the new warrants from $12.50 per share to $10.00 per share; warrantholders who exercise warrants and pay the $6.00 exercise price (including any warrantholders who have already done so), prior to the Oct. 31, 1990 deadline, will receive, in addition to one share of common stock per exercised warrant, the new warrants.

As previously announced, the new warrants expire on July 22, 1992 and are redeemable by the company at a price of $.10 per warrant on 30 days prior notice to warrantholders.

Millfeld and its wholly owned subsidiary Bright Star Footwear Products, market men's, women's, and children's footwear to more than 20,000 outlets of major retailers and mass merchandisers. The company also distributes the "No Excuses" shoe line and Team Sports Footwear featuring 128 logos of NFL, NHL and NCAA College teams.

CONTACT: Michael Callahan, vice president-finance of Millfeld Trading, (516) 367-3711.

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#90270p8772 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
NILES, MI (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Rene J. VanSteelandt, vice president, general counsel and secretary of National-Standard Company (NYSE: NSD), has given notice that the annual meeting of the stockholders of National-Standard Company will be held at the Holiday Inn, 930 S. 11th Street, Niles, on Jan. 24 1991, at 9:30 a.m. (EST) for the following purposes:

1) To elect three directors to serve three years. 2) To consider any other matters which may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

The stock transfer books of the company will not be closed, but only stockholders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 4, 1990, will be entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting.

CONTACT: Jan Edwards of National-Standard Company, 616-683-8100

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#90270p8773 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
JERICHO, NY (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - David G. Herold, president and chief executive officer of Metro Bancshares Inc., announced today that the board of directors has approved the repurchase by Metro Bancshares Inc. of up to five percent, or 118,071 shares, of its outstanding common stock. The company will apply to the office of thrift supervision for approval to repurchase the shares over a six month period, pursuant to regulations. Herold indicated that the company's financial condition and ability to continue to meet all capital requirements will not be adversely affected by the repurchase program.

Metro Bancshares Inc. is the holding company for Bayside Federal Savings Bank, which operates 10 branches in Queens County, Nassau County and Manhattan. The company converted to public ownership on Nov. 10, 1988, and has 2,361,428 shares of common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Terry Walsh of Metro Bancshares, 516-933-8000

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#90270p8776 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
WILMINGTON, DE (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) today announced it will invest more than $100 million to build a plant for "Lycra" spandex fiber in Singapore.

Commercial production will begin in 1992. The plant is part of Du Pont's commitment to serve worldwide markets. It will be centrally located to serve the Asia Pacific region including Australia and New Zealand.

"The investment will support demand for 'Lycra' in the Asia Pacific region in keeping with strategies that have proved successful in other parts of the world," said Salim M. Ibrahim, worldwide business director, "Lycra". "The plant will have state-of-the-art technology and capability to double capacity to meet the needs of our customers."

"Lycra" is used in a broad range of applications, including women's hosiery, intimate apparel and swimwear.

The Singapore plant will be the ninth manufacturing site for "Lycra." The others are in the United States, Canada, Northern Ireland, the Netherlands, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, and Japan.

"We are committed to being a reliable supplier of 'Lycra' to all our customers around the world," said Ibrahim.

CONTACT: J.J. Pryor of Du Pont, 302-999-5291.

-30- 1384

#90270p8784 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Campeau Corporation today announced that The Edward J. DeBartolo Corporation (EJDC) has agreed to extend to Oct. 3, 1990, a previously signed agreement whereby EJDC will not exercise remedies against certain collateral as a result of defaults arising under loan agreements with the corporation, without first giving nine days notice to Campeau Corporation.

The previously signed agreement expired Sept. 26. A similar agreement remains in effect with two subsidiaries of Olympia & York Developments Limited.

CONTACT: Richard W. Wertheim of Wertheim Howe & Company, (416) 594-1600, or home, (416) 276-6612.

-30- 825

#90270p8785 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW BRITAIN, CT (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Burritt InterFinancial Bancorporation (NASDAQ: BANQ) today announced that the board of directors has declared the third quarterly cash dividend of $0.08 per share, payable on November 1 to shareholders of record on October 16.

Burritt recently announced that its earnings for the remainder of the year would be penalized by non-performing real-estate loans, but, according to John C. Jaynes, president and chief executive officer: "The bank's soundness and historical earnings performance permit a continuation of the bank's dividend policy."

Burritt InterFinancial Bancorporation is a state-chartered, publicly held savings bank, headquartered in New Britain, Conn. Burritt serves central Connecticut with eleven offices in New Britain and in suburban Hartford communities.

CONTACT: Barbara J. Bennett, senior vice president and chief financial officer of Burritt InterFinancial Bancorporation, (203) 225-7601, or before and after hours: (203) 225-7606.

-30- 1188

#90270p8788 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOPKINTON, MA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Avatar Corporation announces that it is now shipping MacMainFrame Token Ring Workstation, MacMainFrame SDLC Workstation, MacMainFrame Token Ring Gateway and MacMainFrame SDLC Gateway products for the Apple Macintosh II family of personal computers.

Announced earlier in the year, these Macintosh-to-mainframe communications products are available through leading computer and networking dealers in the U.S. and abroad. MacMainFrame Coax Gateway and MacMainFrame Graphics, also

announced earlier, began shipping as scheduled in March and July respectively.

"Avatar is currently the only vendor to offer a coax gateway and a direct-connect SDLC host connection for the Macintosh," said Joyce Enos, MacMainframe product manager.

"Combined with our existing MacMainFrame Coax Workstation product offerings, the new MacMainFrame Token Ring and SDLC Workstation and Gateway products give users the ability to look to Avatar for all their Macintosh-to-IBM mainframe connectivity needs. The MacMainFrame Series offers the broadest range of solutions available today."

MacMainFrame Token Ring Workstation is currently available for the Macintosh II family and combines Avatar's Token Ring Workstation card and MacMainFrame Token Ring Workstation software to provide a Macintosh II with IBM 3278/3279 terminal and 3287 printer emulation and file transfer capabilities over a Token Ring network.

MacMainFrame Token Ring Workstation provides a user with up to eight simultaneous host sessions and transmits and receives data at four Mbps and is TokenTalk compatible. It is available for $1,295.

MacMainFrame SDLC Workstation allows a Macintosh user to directly access host information over a Synchronous Data Link Control (SDLC) connection. It provides IBM 3278/3279 terminal and 3287 printer emulation and file transfer capabilities.

Using synchronous modems, MacMainFrame SDLC Workstation can provide up to eight simultaneous host sessions either in a local or remote environment. It supports data rates of 1,200 bps to 56Kbps. MacMainFrame SDLC Workstation is currently available for the Macintosh II family for $1,295.

MacMainFrame Token Ring Gateway allows Macintosh users in an AppleTalk environment (LocalTalk, TokenTalk, EtherTalk) to run host applications on an IBM host that is resident on a Token Ring network. A combination of MacMainFrame Token Ring hardware and software provides up to eight simulaneous IBM 3270 sessions per Macintosh user and up to 64 host sessions per server.

The MacMainFrame server can be co-resident with an AppleShare server allowing for the sharing of computing resources. MacMainFrame Token Ring Gateway client software is available for all Macintosh computers while MacMainFrame Token Ring Gateway server hardware/software is currently shipping for the Macintosh II family.

CONTACT: Heidi Palmer of Avatar Corporation, (508) 435-3000, ext. 362.

-30- 3158

#90270p8791 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
WESTBORO, MASS. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Data General (NYSE: DGN) said today there is no truth to the rumors of a merger with Wang Laboratories (AMEX: WAN) that had been reported in the Boston media.

CONTACT: Jim Dunlap of Data General Corporation, 508-870-8162

-30- 411

#90270p8796 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
AUSTIN, TX (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Tracor Aerospace, Inc. announced today that it has received a three-year letter contract, not to exceed $9.2 million, from the U.S. Air Force Warner Robins Air Logistics Center for AN/ALE-40 and -45 countermeasures dispensing system hardware. The hardware will be used on C-130, F-15, and F-16 aircraft to protect them against weapons threats.

Tracor Aerospace, a subsidiary of Tracor, is a leader in the development and production of advanced countermeasures products used on aircraft, ships, tanks and missiles.

George R. Melton, Tracor Aerospace vice president and general manager, said Tracor employees is Austin, will perform the work under the direction of Fred Lancaster, program manager, with deliveries beginning in October 1991.

Tracor, owned by privately held Westmark Systems, Inc., is an international technological products and services company with headquarters in Austin. In addition to advanced countermeasures and advanced defense electronics systems, the company is a significant research and engineering services contractor in sonar, communications, and aviation and a major manufacturer of automotive and electrical components.

CONTACT: Marian Kelley of Tracor, (512) 929-2273.

-30- 1424

#90270p8798 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - CoreStates Financial Corp (NASDAQ: CSFN) today announced the appointment of Charles L. Coltman III as chief credit policy officer.

Coltman, who also is an executive vice president of the Philadelphia-based bank holding company, has shared responsibility for corporate-wide credit policy functions since March of this year with Robert B. Murray. Coltman reports to the chairman, Terrence A. Larsen, and is on the CoreStates Management Committee.

Murray, also an executive vice president, will move on to a variety of assignments in other areas as a special assistant to Larsen.

CoreStates also announced that Dorothy T. Motz has been named to succeed Coltman as chief lending officer of Philadelphia National Bank, CoreStates' lead wholesale bank, reporting to Frank E. Reed, PNB president and chief executive officer. She will also be executive vice president of the bank. She had been deputy chief lending officer.

Coltman, who joined Philadelphia National Bank in 1970, has held a variety of executive responsibilities in the corporate and institutional side of the bank. He was named chief lending officer, assuming responsibilities previously held by Murray, in 1988.

Motz, who joined Philadelphia National Bank in 1981 as a manager in the foreign corporate area, has been a senior credit officer since 1985 and deputy chief lending officer since March.

Murray joined PNB in 1973 and held a variety of lending and management responsibilities. In 1982 he was named deputy chief credit policy officer of the bank and in 1985 became chief lending officer. He was named chief credit policy officer for the corporation in 1987.

CONTACT: Gregg Feistman or Linda Stryker of CoreStates, 215-973-3546

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#90270p8800 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (SEPT.27) PR NEWSWIRE - David L. Siegfried, executive vice president, Strategic Development, ChemLawn Services Corporation, has been named president of Ecolab Inc.'s ChemLawn, Columbus, Ohio, subsidiary. In this capacity he will have responsibility for ChemLawn operations. He reports to Michael E. Shannon, Ecolab executive vice president and chief financial officer, who has overall responsibility for the company's residential services activities. This change is effective Oct. 1, 1990.

Siegfried joined ChemLawn in March 1990. Prior to joining ChemLawn, he was president of Burlington Airline Express, Irvine, Calif. He received his BS in political science from Brown University, Providence, R.I.

ChemLawn Services Corporation is North America's largest professional lawn care company, with operations in 46 states and Canada. ChemLawn also offers tree and shrub care and indoor pest elimination services.

Ecolab Inc. is a leading worldwide developer and marketer of premium cleaning, sanitizing and maintenance services for the hospitality, institutional and residential markets, with annual sales in excess of $1 billion. Ecolab's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange under the symbol: ECL.

CONTACT: Diane C. Watson of Ecolab Inc., 612-293-2222

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#90270p8803 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Ecolab Inc. announced today the realignment of its Corporate Finance departments and a number of key promotions. These promotions are effective Oct. 1, and include the following organizational changes:

S. Lars Olson, currently senior vice president and controller of Ecolab, responsible for controller, tax, audit and treasury functions, will become chief financial officer of the Henkel-Ecolab joint venture in Dusseldorf, West Germany.

Olson joined Ecolab as vice president and treasurer in 1985, and became vice president and controller in 1986. Prior to joining Ecolab, Olson had extensive financial experience with International Harvester Corporation in both the treasury and controller functions.

Bruce J. Bentcover, vice president and treasurer, has been promoted to vice president and controller.

Bentcover joined Ecolab as assistant treasurer in 1985. He was elected treasurer one year later and was promoted to vice president and treasurer in 1987.

James M. Millsap, vice president, Corporate Development, will expand his current responsibilities to become vice president, Corporate Development, and treasurer.

Reporting to Millsap, Reid J. D. Dabney, assistant treasurer, has expanded his current responsibilities to include the company's investor relations function. Karen M. Kelsey, manager, Investor Relations, reports to Dabney.

Bentcover, Millsap and John G. Forsythe, vice president, Tax, will report to Michael E. Shannon, Ecolab executive vice president and chief financial officer, who will resume administrative responsibility for the controller, tax treasury and corporate development departments effective Oct. 1, 1990.

Ecolab Inc. is a leading worldwide developer and marketer of premium cleaning, sanitizing and maintenance services for the hospitality, institutional and residential markets. For the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, Ecolab reported sales of $1.3 billion and earnings of $34.2 million, after preferred dividends, or $1.25 per share, excluding a one-time charge of $31.5 million, or $(1.15) per share. Earnings in 1989 were $2.7 million, or $0.10 per share. Ecolab's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange under the symbol: ECL.

CONTACT: Diane C. Watson of Ecolab, 612-293-2222.

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#90270p8804 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Chambers Development Company Inc. (AMEX: CDVB) announced today the acquisition of four Georgia firms engaged in the collection and hauling of commercial and residential solid waste.

Three of the companies, Global Environmental Inc. and Southern Waste Systems Inc., both in Jonesboro, Ga., and Chadwick Enterprises in Mableton, Ga., will be consolidated with Chambers Atlanta operations.

Dependable Garbage Service in Cedartown, Ga., will be consolidated with Chambers' Cedartown operations, west of Atlanta.

The acquisition of the four companies is expected to generate annual revenue of approximately $1.7 million.

Alexander Rangos, Chambers executive vice president, said the acquisitions will enable Chambers to be more responsive to the needs of the local community while expanding and improving service.

"These four acquisitions are excellent for Chambers because they have established an outstanding record of quality service and personal attention to their customers," Rangos said.

Presently, the four companies serve commercial, municipal and residential customers in the Georgia counties of Clayton, Fayette, Henry, Coweta, Newton, Cobb, Haralson, Polk and Carroll.

Chambers Development Company, headquartered in Pittsburgh, with a major regional office in Atlanta, is a leading environmental firm offering services in recycling, collection, hauling, disposal and landfill development. The company also provides security through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Security Bureau Inc.

CONTACT: Jim Leonard of Chambers Development, 412-244-7560

-30- 1795

#90270p8807 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) has become the first charter corporate sponsor and the official U.S. airline of the World League of American Football.

The announcement was made jointly today by Whit Hawkins, Delta's executive

vice president of marketing and stations, and Tex Schramm, president of the World League.

League "sponsorship" is designed to develop a close marketing partnership and joint promotional effort between the World League and its charter corporate sponsors, according to Schramm.

"By joining us at the outset of the League, we are able to find innovative opportunities that serve the specific marketing needs of Delta," Schramm said.

"This is just the right time for us to take a major role with a key new international sports entity like the World League," Hawkins said. "Delta is entering into an expanding role as a major international carrier, and we see the World League as the ideal partner for our future."

Delta has current or projected schedules that will take its flights to all of the announced World League cities, including its international sites - London, Barcelona, Frankfurt, Milan and Montreal.

Charter corporate sponsors are given an array of promotional and sales benefits, including the official designation, internal and external promotion priorities, use of League merchandise, and broad advertising and promotional identification as a partner in this first intercontinental sports league.

"This announcement by Delta is another of the developments that will be happening rapidly now," Schramm added. "We will be naming more corporate sponsors, owners and our operational plans shortly."

The League, which features 12 charter franchises in seven different countries on two continents, will kick-off its first game on March 23, 1991. Delta and The Delta Connection carriers serve over 270 cities in 14 countries around the world.

CONTACT: Delta Air Lines public relations, (404) 765-2532, or World League of American Football, (212) 973-6011.

-30- 2247

#90270p8811 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSING, MICH. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Oldsmobile Division today announced it will offer consumer rebates on most 1991 vehicles and all 1990 models. Called "Oldsmobile Values Are Now," the program is effective immediately and will run through Dec. 12, 1990.

Buyers may take advantage of the following cash rebates:

	1990 Models	1991 Models
Cutlass Calais	$1,500	$ 750
Cutlass Ciera	1,500	750

Cutlass Supreme	2,500(a)	750
Eighty Eight	1,500	750
Custom Cruiser	1,500	---
Ninety Eight	1,500	---
Toronado	2,500	1,500
Silhouette	1,500	500
Bravada	---	---

(a) $2,500 on base coupe and sedan, all other models $2,000.

Oldsmobile dealers may offer consumers a special GMAC finance rate of 4.8 percent for up to 48-month terms in lieu of the 1990 model consumer rebates or 7.9 percent for up to 48 months in lieu of the 1991 model consumer rebates. A 10.9-percent rate for 49- through 60-month contracts is also available in lieu of the consumer rebate for either 1990 or 1991 models.

"This new program ensures that our dealers will be in the best competitive position possible as the 1991 model year gets under way," said Oldsmobile General Sales and Service Manager David E. Lahti. "For the consumer, that means today's smart, contemporary Oldsmobiles are an exceptional value."

CONTACT: Jill Witzenburg or Ross H. Ruehle of Oldsmobile, 517-377-5660

-30- 1918

#90270p8814 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Stephen J. Sweeney, who guided Boston Edison Company (NYSE: BSE) through some of its best and some of its most difficult years, has announced that he is retiring as the company's chief executive officer, effective Dec. 1, 1990. He will remain chairman of the board of directors.

Succeeding Sweeney as CEO will be Bernard W. Reznicek, who has served as president and chief operating officer since joining Edison in October 1987.

In making his announcement, Sweeney said, "The goals I have set for the corporation over the past several years to restore its financial health and prepare it for the 1990s have been accomplished. Boston Edison now has one of the strongest management teams in the utility industry and is prepared to face the competitive challenges of this decade." Specifically, Sweeney cited as major accomplishments:

- Assembling a new management team to guide the company into the future;
- Restoring Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station to operation and putting it on a path to operational excellence;
- Resolving major regulatory and financial uncertainties, which accompanied the 1986 shutdown of Pilgrim, and several critical regulatory decisions in the mid-1980s; and
- Building constructive working relationships with government officials,

public interest groups, labor unions representing Boston Edison employees and customers.

Sweeney especially credited the new management team, which he recruited beginning in 1987, for the company's turnaround.

Sweeney said that in addition to working with Reznicek through the transition, his immediate plans call for devoting time as chairman of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce "to building public and private partnerships between the business community and the new state administration, which takes office in January.

"It is vital to the economic and social health of this area that the business community work closely with the new administration. The Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce has a major role to play in this effort."

Sweeney's retirement caps a 37-year career encompassing many important milestones both for Boston Edison Co. and for the utility industry in general.

Bernard W. Reznicek came to Boston Edison from the Omaha Public Power District where he served as president and chief executive officer from 1981 to 1987. He has more than 30 years service in the utility industry in the areas of accounting, finance, employee relations and senior management.

CONTACT: Michael J. Monahan of Boston Edison, (617) 424-2460 or (617) 424-2055 (evenings and weekends).

-30- 2823

#90270p8815 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - American Express Travel Related Services Company, Inc. (TRS) today announced that Aldo Papone, TRS chairman, will retire on Jan. 1, 1991. Edwin M. Cooperman and G. Richard Thoman will be elected chairmen and co-chief executive officers, succeeding Papone, on that date.

Papone, who has been chairman of American Express TRS since April 1989, will become senior advisor to American Express Company (NYSE: AXP), reporting to Chairman James D. Robinson III. Papone also will continue as a member of the American Express Company board of directors.

Papone, 58, developed and led a team of outstanding executives, and managed the Travel Related Services Company through the most vigorous expansion in its history. Under his leadership, the company enjoyed a record of uninterrupted growth. For 1989, TRS reported profits of $830 million on revenues of $8.4 billion. Return on equity exceeded 29 percent.

Papone, who has been with American Express for more than 13 years, is credited

with the development of the company's marketing strategy as well as the identification of important synergies among various American Express units.

Cooperman, 46, has been president of TRS North America since 1989. An 18-year veteran of American Express, Cooperman is responsible for the company's core businesses in the United States and Canada, including the American Express Card, the Establishment Services Division Travel and Travel Management Services and the company's consumer lending business. Under his leadership, the number of American Express Cards in force has grown more than 50 percent to 24.3 million since 1985, when he assumed responsibility for the U.S. card business.

Thoman, 46, was named president of American Express International in 1989. He is responsible for American Express activities outside North America, including the Travel Related Services Company, American Express Bank and the Consumer Financial Services Group. He also oversees the company's worldwide Travelers Cheque business. Thoman joined American Express in 1979 as senior vice president-finance, planning and systems for the Travel Division. He was named president of TRS International in 1985, with responsibility for the company's international activities in more than 150 countries.

In his new capacity, Papone will advise Robinson on a number of matters, including marketing, communications and advertising strategies, and he will continue to work with key TRS executives on a variety of issues.

American Express Travel Related Services Company, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of American Express Company, is a family of travel, financial, insurance and communications businesses.

CONTACT: Lawrence T. Kurlander of American Express, 212-640-4885.

-30- 3009

#90270p8816 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Fiat Group (NYSE: FIA), Italy's largest private sector automotive and industrial concern, today reported results from operations for the first six months of 1990, which the group's Chairman, Giovanni Agnelli, termed "satisfactory". Net consolidated sales exceeded 30 trillion lire ($24.78 billion), an 11.8 percent increase over the corresponding period last year.

The group's income before taxes continues to be substantial ($2 billion) in the first half of 1990, although it fell short of the figure achieved in the same period a year ago ($2.29 billion).

Fiat group's sales and revenues should reach $49.05 billion at year- end ($41.16 billion in 1989) and investments in fixed assets and R & D expenditures will be higher than in 1989, topping $5.31 billion ($4.29 billion in 1989).

"The business outlook, which had already shown clear signs of slower growth in the closing months of the first half, became cloudier as a result of two new factors: the Gulf crisis and the uncertainties of the international and economic scene," Agnelli noted.

"At the present time, along with a less favorable market outlook than in the past, we are facing a demand that is shifting to ever higher levels of products and service quality, as well as heavy pressure from the ecological issues that are becoming increasingly urgent for all industry. In this context, our prime objective must be total quality, understood not only as a technical necessity, but as a general orientation of the entire organization to ongoing improvement and customer satisfaction," Agnelli added.

"At the same time, as a part of the effort to strengthen our international presence through external methods of growth, we have intensified our strategy of agreements and acquisitions. Especially important among the more recent initiatives in this field were the transaction between FiatGeotech and Ford New Holland in the field of farm and industrial equipment, which will put us in one of the top positions worldwide; Iveco's acquisition of a majority interest in Spanish Enasa; an agreement between Nippondenso of the Toyota Group and Magneti Marelli, which is opening up significant prospects in the area of automotive components; and one between Fisia and the Deutsche Babcock Anlagen, which will reinforce our presence in the market for environmental protection technology," Agnelli noted.

CONTACT: Gualberto Ranieri of Fiat USA, 212-207-0947.

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#90270p8819 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - United Newspapers plc (NASDAQ: UNEWY) today announced that pre-tax profit for the six months ended June 30, 1990, rose 3.7 percent to 56.6 million pounds sterling ($94.2 million) from the 54.6 million pounds reported for the comparable period of 1989.

Earnings were 17.9 pence per share ($0.60 per ADS), or 35.0 million pounds ($58.3 million), after taxes and minority interests for the first six months of 1990 compared with 18.9 pence per share, or 36.0 million pounds, before extraordinary items in 1989. Net income is based on an estimated tax rate of 33 percent. Revenues were 423.7 million pounds ($705.5 million), an increase of 5.5 percent over the 401.6 million pounds reported in 1989.

The board of directors of United Newspapers declared an interim dividend of 7.5 pence per ordinary share (15 pence per ADS), payable Nov. 16, 1990, to holders of shares registered on Oct. 18, 1990. ADS holders will receive the dividend translated at the exchange rate in effect on the date of payment.

Trading profit of 68.7 million pounds ($114.5 million), including a pension credit adjustment and acquisitions, was 15.6 percent higher than the 59.4 million pounds achieved in the similar period of 1989.

Excluding the pension credit adjustment, for which there was no similar credit in the prior year, trading profit was up 11.7 percent over last year. Operating margin improved to 15.7 percent of revenues from 14.8 percent in 1989.

The substantial increase in interest expense reflects the increased borrowings to finance the capital expenditure modernization program for the national and regional newspaper division together with the cost of buying-out the group's joint venture partner in the construction of Express Newspapers' building at Ludgate House as well as a number of small acquisitions.

Lord Stevens, chairman of United Newspapers, commented, "Apart from the purchase of some additional color units for the national newspapers, the major capital equipment program is complete. The group can now look forward to capital expenditures being broadly equal to depreciation charges for the year.

"The strength of sterling against the dollar has caused a marginal adverse impact in the first half as compared with the average exchange rate used for 1989. If current high dollar/sterling values continue, we can expect a further deterioration in the translation of U.S. profits for the second half."

Lord Stevens went on to state, "There is no doubt that reduced economic activity is having a dramatic effect upon U.K. advertising. Business magazines have been particularly affected in classified advertising and in the display market. Market shares and yields are, however, being maintained. In advertising periodicals, there also is a lack of confidence by advertisers in the shops and businesses, motoring and local government employment areas.

"The commitment to 'Auto Express' and the new launch of 'Select' have kept the profits of the Consumer Magazine division down as the remaining titles compete aggressively for advertising space in markets which are showing weakness," Lord Stevens continued.

"The Regional Newspaper division continues to perform satisfactorily with volumes of display and classified advertising up over last year, but there are signs that these gains are being reduced as the year progresses.

"In national newspapers, the circulation gains of the 'Daily Express' and 'Daily Star' are encouraging as are their increased shares in a declining total market for popular newspapers. There is clearly still a considerable amount of work to do to revive the circulation of the 'Sunday Express.' Advertising volumes in all three national titles were broadly the same as last year."

Regarding U.S. operations, Lord Stevens said, "Advertising pages are more difficult to secure in the business magazine market as advertising begins to slow but, again, the effort to sustain market share has been reasonably successful.

"Attendance at trade shows and exhibitions, and their resulting profitability, are sustaining overall U.S. performance. Advertising periodicals are performing well, with excellent results from the apartment rental sector generating an important new profit stream.

"A difficult time in the U.S. financial information markets has held back performance of the Information Services division in the period," he continued, "although the Extel Financial and PR Newswire businesses are performing satisfactorily. It is clear that the current high interest rate policy is affecting advertising outlays. This is true in the U.S., as well as in the U.K."

In looking ahead, Lord Stevens said, "I do not foresee any pick-up during the remainder of the year and would therefore expect a reduced performance in the second half. However, all of our businesses are well positioned in their respective markets and we shall strive to maintain market share and overall yields."

United Newspapers plc is an international publishing company with extensive holdings in the United Kingdom and in the United States (including PR Newswire Gralla Publications, and Miller Freeman Publications in the U.S.).

United Newspapers ADSs (equivalent to two U.K. ordinary shares of United Newspapers) are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System. Exchange rate is one pound equals to $1.665.

UNITED NEWSPAPERS PLC GROUP PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT (unaudited)
(Amounts in thousands, except per share)

Six Months Ended June 30	1990 ($000's)	1990 (000's pounds)	1989 (000's pounds)	Pct. Chg.
Turnover	705,534	423,744	401,550	5.5
Trading profit	114,454	68,741	59,447	15.6
Related companies	356	214	864	(75.2)
Income from investments	3,020	1,814	955	89.9
Interest (net)	(23,656)	(14,208)	(6,712)	111.7
Profit before taxation	94,174	56,561	54,554	3.7
Estimated taxation(A)	28,770	17,279	18,548	(6.8)
Profit after taxation	65,404	39,282	36,006	9.1
Minority interests	(7,066)	(4,244)	(44)	NM
Extraordinary items	--	--	31,190	NM
Group profit attributable to members	58,338	35,038	67,152	NM
Earnings per share				

(before extraordinary items)	0.30	17.9p	18.9p	(5.3)
Interim dividend per share 7.5 pence (1989: 7.5 pence)	24,569	14,756	14,313	3.1

(A) - Of the estimated taxation charge 3,616,000 million pounds relates to overseas taxation.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Apple Bancorp, Inc. (NYSE: APK) announced today that its counsel was in the process of finalizing the arrangements with counsel for Stanley Stahl which would enable Stahl to complete his $38 per share cash tender offer. Stahl's offer is currently scheduled to expire at midnight on Monday, Oct. 1, 1990, and the company stated that it presently expects Stahl to complete his offer at such time.

As the company has previously announced, simultaneously with Stahl's purchase of the tendered shares, the company will redeem the rights issued under the company's shareholder rights plan, terminate the two trusts previously established by the board of directors and appoint Stahl's designees to constitute a majority of the company's board.

The company stated that while its board remains neutral toward the offer and is making no recommendation as to whether shareholders should accept or reject the offer or tender their shares, the board continues to believe that those shareholders who determine that it is in their best economic interests to receive $38 per share in cash should tender their shares.

The company stated that in view of the fact that it believes that Stahl will consummate his offer at midnight on Oct. 1, 1990, shareholders who determine to tender their shares should do so promptly. The company's directors and executive officers have tendered their shares or stated their intention to do so.

CONTACT: Fred Spar or Leslie Uyeda of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Apple Bancorp.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Team, Inc. (AMEX: TMI) today announced operating results for its first quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990. Revenues for the

quarter were $23,433,000, up 20 percent over the prior year's first quarter revenues of $19,507,000. Net earnings were $679,000 or $.15 per share fully diluted compared to $1,070,000 or $.35 per share reported for the first quarter of the prior year. The number of weighted average shares used in computing fully diluted earnings per share in the quarter increased 39 percent over the number of shares used in the first quarter of the prior fiscal year as a result of the completion of the stock offering in November 1989.

Revenues from Repair and Specialty Services, Team's largest division, rose 23 percent to $14,300,000 due mainly to strong increases in emissions monitoring and concrete restoration services.

The Transportation Division continues to perform well, with revenues increasing 25 percent over the first quarter last year, due to stronger demand for oilfield rental equipment and product related services.

In the Privatized Services Division revenues increased 13 percent over last year. The majority of the increase in revenues resulted from contracts in the Federal sector which carry a lower profit margin than highway maintenance contracts. Although revenues increased, operating profits were significantly lower than in the first quarter of fiscal 1990 primarily because the state of Texas sharply reduced spending during the latter part of its fiscal year ended August 1990 for highway maintenance and repair work for District 12. With the beginning of the state's new fiscal year on Sept. 1, 1990, concurrent with the company's second quarter, the state's spending for highway maintenance and repair work has resumed and work under these contracts will be back to normal in the second quarter.

One of Team's outstanding areas of performance for the quarter was in the environmental area with the company's plant emissions monitoring and control services. These services will be further expanded with the pending acquisition of Source Environmental Sciences Inc., a professional environmental consulting firm specializing in air quality monitoring and related services. With this acquisition, Team is continuing its emphasis on comprehensive environmental and air quality permitting services to its customers.

Team, Inc. is a national service company and a leader in the repair and maintenance of America's public and private infrastructure from roads and bridges to industrial plants.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) will introduce USADirect(R) Service from Saudi Arabia on Wednesday, Oct. 3, according to a

filing with the FCC yesterday.

The service will allow Americans stationed in Saudi Arabia to reach an AT&T operator in the United States by dialing 1-800-100 from most telephones. The AT&T operator can complete calls anywhere in the United States. USADirect Service will be available from virtually all U.S. military bases in Saudi Arabia.

During an introductory period, AT&T will allow Americans stationed in Saudi Arabia to make free three-minute phone calls to the United States in order to demonstrate USADirect Service.

"AT&T is acting out of concern for military personnel stationed in Saudi Arabia who have had a difficult time communicating with friends and family," said Frank Ianna, vice president for marketing International Communications Services. "We want to give all those who are serving in Saudi a chance to call home."

With the addition of Saudi Arabia, USADirect Service is now available in 82 countries.

Travelers, expatriates, journalists and military personnel have found the five-year-old USADirect Service a good way to keep in touch with their friends and relatives in the United States. USADirect Service is economical, the company said, because calls are billed at AT&T rates and callers generally avoid hotel surcharges. It is convenient because the use of American operators avoids language difficulties.

Numbers to reach USADirect vary by country. In some countries, the service is only available from specially designated telephones. For further information about USADirect Service, call 1-800-874-4000.

CONTACT: Donna Alexander, 215-557-4451, or at home, 215-342-4433, or Nancy Smith, 717-975-6556, or at home, 717-737-2045, or Rick Wallerstein, 201-953-7911, or at home, 201-771-9570, all of AT&T

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#90270p8830 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Having redefined itself as "The Document Company," the Xerox Corporation (NYSE: XRX) today announced a new advertising campaign that highlights the product of its products - the document.

The campaign reflects a new marketing strategy for the company, intended to focus attention on document creation and distribution as a critical business process.

Called "Putting It Together," Xerox's first campaign developed by Young & Rubicam is themed to the music and lyrics of the Stephen Sondheim song, "Putting It Together," from "Sunday In the Park With George."

"We want to be known as The Document Company because documents are a critical part of the business process, both internally and externally," said Len Vickers, senior vice president for worldwide marketing at Xerox. "Internally, document assembly requires the collaboration of people, ideas and information. Externally, documents project a company's image throughout the marketplace."

"Thus, we want people to rethink the importance of documents in their professional and personal lives," he explained. "Documents focus information gathered from multiple sources in a way that allows people to make decisions and take action."

The advertising campaign will break four print ads and two radio spots beginning Oct. 1, to be followed by a broadcast effort debuting Oct. 16, during the World Series. The print campaign will run in The Wall Street Journal, New York Times, USA Today, The Rochester Democrat and Chronicle and The Rochester Times-Union.

"The lyrics of Sondheim's 'Putting It Together' perfectly reflect Xerox's message about the creation of a great document," said Eric Weber, vice chairman and creative director for Young & Rubicam. "Piece by piece, step by step, putting it together. The song is about inspiration, hard work, collaboration - and achievement."

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#90270p8833 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Sequa Corporation (NYSE: SQA) has declared a regular quarterly dividend of $1.25 per share on its $5 cumulative convertible preferred stock. The quarterly dividend is payable Nov. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 15.

CONTACT: Linda G. Kyriakou of Sequa, 212-986-5500

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#90270p8836 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - AMDURA Corp. (NYSE: ADU) announced today that the Bankruptcy Court approved the sale of certain operating assets of its subsidiary, AMDURA National Distribution Co. (ANDCO), to United Hardware Distributing Co. The sale is subject to various closing conditions, but is expected to close within the next 30 days.

Under the terms of the purchase, United would acquire ANDCO's inventory and its distribution center in Milbank, S.D. Receivables and various other assets of ANDCO would not be purchased in the transaction.

The purchase price, to be received in cash in closing, was previously estimated to total approximately $21.5 million. The purchase price, and cash proceeds, depends on asset values as of the date of closing.

Of the cash proceeds expected to be received at closing, approximately $1 million will be placed in escrow to pay employee benefit claims, not previously covered, and rebates due ANDCO's customers. Proceeds from the sale, held for the benefit of the estate of ANDCO, will remain in escrow pending settlement of the company's bankruptcy case or appropriate orders of the Bankruptcy Court.

ANDCO is a hardlines distributor supplying independently-owned hardware retailers operating under the Trustworthy names in 11 upper-midwestern and western states. ANDCO has 270 employees, including 120 in Minnesota.

United Hardware Distributing is a Plymouth, Minnesota-based, dealer-owned hardware distributor, serving approximately 600 independently-owned, Hardware Hank stores.

CONTACT: D. Scott Ross of AMDURA Corp., 303-377-8400 or 612-699-7700

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#90270p8840 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Southland Corporation's 400 7-Eleven stores in Hampton Roads, Richmond, the Eastern Shore and northeast North Carolina will collect contributions to combat diabetes from Oct. 1 to Nov. 30. Canisters, educational brochures and posters will encourage 7-Eleven shoppers to drop-in their spare change to benefit the Diabetes Institutes Foundation and the Diabetes Institutes.

A formal kick-off was held today on the 22nd floor of Dominion Towers and featured Virginia' Attorney General Mary Sue Terry, as well as corporate and community leaders. Dr. Leon-Paul Georges, director of the Diabetes Institutes and Southland's Colonial Division manager John Carter also spoke.

Southland and the Diabetes Institutes Foundation will be assisted in their efforts by Hampton Roads radio station 2WD and Richmond radio station Q-94, which will publicize the campaign with public service announcements and educational programs. The on-air promotional time will amount to a donation of more than $56,000 from the stations.

Carlson Travel Network and Haynes Furniture have donated prizes to be awarded

to 7-Eleven store managers who raise the most money for the cause.

More than 12 million Americans suffer from diabetes, a chronic disorder that affects the body's ability to manufacture and utilize insulin. Less than half of them even know they have the disease. More than 300,00 people die from diabetes each year. In the Hampton Roads and Richmond region, there are an estimated 130,000 with the disease.

This is the second year for this canister campaign. Last year canister donations topped $37,000. This fund raising program with the Diabetes Institutes Foundation is a "perfect fit" with Southland's desire to affiliate with a regional effort, says Division Manager Carter. "The more we listened and learned about the disease, and what specifically the Diabetes Institutes was doing to fight it, the more we wanted to help them." "Motivating our employees has been easy," Carter said. "They enjoy supporting something they can touch and feel locally."

Internationally recognized as a leader in diabetes research, clinical care and education, the Diabetes Institutes are pushing forward the cutting edge of diabetes research and treatment. A highly specialized team of physicians and staff provides state-of-the-art outpatient and inpatient diabetes care by referral.

At the Diabetes Research Institute, world-renowned physicians and basic scientists strive to unlock the chain of events that cause the complications of diabetes.

The Diabetes Institutes was selected as one of 10 centers worldwide to conduct the clinical trials for the surgically implanted adjustable insulin pump. With its team of world-renowned physicians and basic scientists the Diabetes Institutes recently received the distinguished World Health Organization designation as a WHO Collaborating Diabetes Center. The Diabetes Institutes is a program of the Eastern Virginia Medical School.

CONTACT: Sharon McDonald-Tiknis for The Diabetes Institutes Foundation, 804-499-3398

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#90270p8841 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Serv-Tech Inc. (NASDAQ: STEC) has signed a letter of intent to acquire 60 percent of Chemisolv Ltd., a United Kingdom specialty and performance chemical company, for $1.1 million in cash and stock.

Chemisolv provides customized wastewater treatment and process improvement programs for the pulp and paper, steel, food and hydrocarbon processing industries.

Chemisolv will enter the U.S. market in the fourth quarter of this year and will provide services to Serv-Tech customers in the analysis of waste streams and recovery of products from those streams. It also will pursue its traditional markets in the United States.

The acquisition is subject to the review and approval of boards of directors at both companies.

Fred Sieber, president of Serv-Tech Environmental Services, a division of Serv-Tech Inc., made the announcement at Alex Brown & Sons' Fourth Annual Environmental Seminar in Baltimore.

Serv-Tech provides specialty maintenance services to the refining, gas processing and petrochemical industries in the United States and Europe.

CONTACT: Philip Taggart of Churchill Group, 713-781-0020, for Serv-Tech

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#90270p8842 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
JACKSON, MI (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company has announced that two series of pollution control revenue bonds have been called for redemption on Oct. 1, 1990.

Two million two hundred eighty thousand dollars ($2,280,000) principal amount of The Charter Township of Hampton (Bay County) pollution control revenue bonds, series C, due Oct. 1, 1991 to 2000, and $2,580,000 principal amount of City of Muskegon pollution control revenue bonds, series A, due Oct. 1, 1991 to 1998, have been called for redemption.

Both series will be refunded by the issuance and sale of $5,250,000 Michigan Strategic Fund Variable Rate Demand pollution control revenue refunding bonds, series 1990A, due Sept. 1, 2000.

McDonald & Company Securities, Inc. has underwritten the issue. The refunding is part of the utility's ongoing program of financial restructuring to reduce its most expensive capital.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost six million of the state's nine million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, (517) 788-2396.

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#90270p8849 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
LONG BEACH, CA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Aviation history has been written in

Long Beach with the delivery of six more McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) MD-80 twin jets to American Airlines. The flurry of new deliveries to the airline this month brings to 201 the number of McDonnell Douglas MD-80s serving in American's fleet.

"This is the first time in commercial aviation history that one airline has operated 200 of a single type of aircraft," John Wolf, vice president and general manager of the MD-80/90 program for the Douglas Aircraft division of McDonnell Douglas, said today at a ceremony to mark the milestone.

Douglas officials presented keys for the latest MD-80 as well as a commemorative medallion to be installed in the 200th aircraft to Robert W. Baker, executive vice president of American Airlines. Baker said the MD-80 was a key part of an aggressive growth plan that in just six years has made American the free world's largest airline.

"We wanted an airplane that would fit in with the new route structure American was creating through its hub-and-spoke system," Baker said. "The MD-80 was a perfect fit. We have been very pleased with its performance and its maintenance record."

American Airlines has the largest fleet of aircraft in the western world with nearly 550 planes, including 59 McDonnell Douglas DC-10s, the largest number of that aircraft with any airline. McDonnell Douglas currently has firm orders from American for 58 more MD-80s and options for an additional 70.

American Airlines is also scheduled to take delivery of early production models of the McDonnell Douglas MD-11, the new long-range wide-cabin trijet, which is scheduled to receive FAA certification later this year. Deliveries to customers will begin immediately after certification.

American took delivery of its first MD-80 from McDonnell Douglas in May 1983. In July 1987 the airline became the first Douglas customer to operate 100 of a single type of aircraft when it took delivery of its 100th MD-80. Douglas and American set a record for the most aircraft of one type in a fleet in August 1989 when the airline received its 165th MD-80.

The latest McDonnell Douglas twin jets to join the American route structure are MD-82s, which feature seating for 142 in a two-class arrangement. There are five versions in the MD-80 family, offering different range capabilities. All versions feature comfortable five-across seating, the cabin configuration overwhelmingly preferred by passengers.

CONTACT: John Thom of Douglas Aircraft Company, (213) 593-9223.

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#90270p8850 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Jack Africk was elected vice chairman of UST at a meeting of the board of directors held today. In this position, Africk will be responsible for the company's legal, government relations and newly formed corporate development departments. He will continue to serve on UST's board of directors, a position he has held since 1980.

Africk, a veteran of more than 40 years in the tobacco business, most recently served as executive vice president of UST and president of UST's United States Tobacco Company subsidiary.

Africk joined United States Tobacco Company in 1979 as president of a new international division. Drawing on that experience, he spearheaded United States Tobacco Company's international efforts. In 1981 he was elected a senior vice president, and in 1984 executive vice president. He was named president of UST's United States Tobacco Company subsidiary in 1987.

Prior to joining United States Tobacco Company, Africk held executive positions with other tobacco companies, including president of R.J. Reynolds-Puerto Rico and senior vice president for RJR-MacDonald, Inc., and R.J. Reynolds subsidiary in Canada, and executive vice president at Liggett & Myers Tobacco Company.

In April 1988, he received the National Association of Tobacco Distributors' (NATD) annual Tobacco Industry Hall of Fame Award. The award is the highest honor that can be given to manufacturer associate.

He also serves as chairman of the L.A. Bantle Institute, an annual seminar series for executives in the tobacco and confectionery industries, and is on the board of trustees of Albertus Magnus College.

In addition to his professional commitments, Africk actively supports several civic and philanthropic organizations. He is a founder and former vice president of the East Nassau, N.Y., Young Men's and Young Women's Hebrew Association.

He also has been honored for his dedication to humanitarian causes, and in 1986 was awarded the Louis E. Seidman Human Relations Award by the tobacco and allied industries division of the American Jewish Committee, one of the nation's pioneer human relations organizations.

In October 1989, Africk was named Man of the Year by the National Tobacco, Confectionery and Allied Industries Division of the Anti- Defamation League.

Through its subsidiaries, UST is a leading producer and marketer of moist smokeless tobacco products including Copenhagen, Skoal, Skoal Long Cut, and Skoal Bandits. Other consumer products marketed by its subsidiaries include premium wines sold nationally under the Chateau Ste. Michelle, Columbia Crest, Conn Creek, and Villa Mt. Eden labels. UST subsidiaries also manufacture or

market quality pipes and imported pipe tobacco, imported cigars, and other tobacco-related products.

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#90270p8855 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MI (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Leeco Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: LECO) has announced that its wholly owned Italian subsidiary, Technogenetics Srl, signed a distribution agreement with Amgen, Inc. Diagnostics Venture (NASDAQ-NMS: AMGN) for its Clinigen(TM) enzyme immunoassay kit for Erythropoletin (EPO).

Under the terms of this agreement, Technogenetics will receive exclusive distribution rights to the EPO assay in Italy. Technogenetics, which is headquartered in Milan, Italy, is a manufacturer of biotechnology reagents and a distributor of diagnostic and research products in Italy.

The Clinigen assay is used to determine the concentration of EPO in human serum as an aid in the diagnosis of various anemias and polycythemias. Recent clinical results suggest that Clinigen may also be helpful in the diagnosis and treatment of anemias caused by AZT and Cis-platinin.

Rod Raynovich, CEO of Leeco Diagnostics, stated that the agreement signed with Amgen reinforces Leeco's reputation as a company offering state-of-the-art technology. Raynovich further added that Leeco and Amgen were currently in discussions concerning future distribution contracts for additional Amgen assays, including one for G-CSF and IL-6.

Leeco will be actively seeking other licensing and distribution agreements for Technogenetics in the diagnostic and research laboratory marketplace.

Leeco is a diagnostic immunobiology company focused on rapid detection of diseases and medical conditions such as infection, pregnancy, and hormone imbalance.

Leeco products are sold through a worldwide distribution network to physicians' offices, clinical laboratories, hospitals, research institutes, and OTC markets. Leeco is 53-percent owned by a public company quoted on the Milan stock exchange and one of the major Italian independent pharmaceutical groups.

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#90270p8856 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK CITY, NY (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - IMCERA Group Inc. (NYSE: IMA) senior management told security analysts here that they were comfortable with Wall Street estimates of 50-75 cents per share of the first quarter, compared with 27 cents reported a year ago.

"We're pleased with the strong sales and earnings gains we're seeing so far in fiscal 1991," said George D. Kennedy, IMCERA chairman and chief executive officer. "While the first quarter has typically been the weakest of the year, this quarter we're running ahead of budget and substantially ahead of last year's first quarter results.

"It's still unclear what effect this will have on full-year earnings, but we're delighted with the great start," Kennedy said.

Headquartered in Northbrook, Ill., IMCERA has three businesses -- Mallinckrodt Medical, Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals and Pitman-Moore. IMCERA also owns approximately 38 percent of the common stock of IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc.

CONTACT: Dave Prichard, 708-205-2270, or (investors) Elizabeth Higashi, 708-205-2189, both of IMCERA Group.

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#90270p8861 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDDLEBURY, CT (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Uniroyal Chemical Company, Inc. has announced the opening of a representative office in the Chiyoda-Ku section of Tokyo effective September 1990.

Robert J. Mazaika, president and chief executive officer of Uniroyal Chemical said: "This action, on the part of Uniroyal Chemical, further acknowledges and emphasizes its commitment to the Pacific Rim market in general and Japan in particular. It is consistent with the corporation's recent opening of a European business center located in Langeley, United Kingdom."

Dr. Koichi Okano, a graduate of Kyoto University and a highly regarded senior executive of the Japanese chemical industry, has been appointed managing director of Uniroyal Chemical in Japan. Dr. Okano, who was formerly with Mitsui Petrochemical Industries, Ltd., brings to his new position over 30 years of experience in the chemical industry. Most recently Dr. Okano has been the director of overseas operations and the licensing departments of Mitsui Petrochemical.

In his new capacity, Dr. Okano will be responsible for overseeing the existing activities of Uniroyal Chemical in Japan as well as identifying opportunities for technology licensing, joint venture and acquisition opportunities. In this role, he will serve all of the business interests of Uniroyal Chemical including its rubber chemicals and polymers, specialty chemicals and crop protection chemical activities.

Uniroyal Chemical Company is a leading worldwide producer of specialty chemicals and high performance polymers serving the rubber, plastics, petroleum, paint and coatings, adhesives and sealants, electronics and crop protection markets.

CONTACT: Robert J. Petrausch, 203-573-3441, or Maureen C. Fama, 203-573-3200, of Uniroyal Chemical Company, Inc.

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#90270p8862 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALMDALE, CALIF. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Co. announced today that the YF-22 advanced tactical fighter (ATF) prototype successfully completed a medium-speed taxi test in preparation for the first flight of the new aircraft design. The taxi test occurred Wednesday.

The YF-22 represents one of two proposed designs under consideration in the U.S. Air Force's advanced tactical fighter competition.

Lockheed, teamed with General Dynamics and Boeing Defense & Space Group, Military Airplanes Division, has designed, manufactured and will flight test two prototypes of the fighter until the end of the year under contract from the U.S. Air Force.

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#90270p8867 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Sanwa Bank Ltd. has donated $1.25 million to The Center for Japan-U.S. Business and Economic Studies at the Leonard N. Stern School of Business at New York University.

The announcement was made last night by Kenji Kawakatsu, chairman of Sanwa Bank Ltd., and John Brademas, president of New York University, in an official ceremony at the Stern School.

The gift establishes "The Sanwa Research Endowment Fund on International Financial Markets," which will support research, publications and conferences on issues of concern to the world economic and financial community.

"Sanwa regards the exercise of creativity in solving the problems of international society as its natural obligation. With this in mind, we wish to cooperate with New York University and support its research into solutions to international financial and economic problems," said Kawakatsu.

"We are particularly committed to working with this key educational institution in New York City, because New York is the home of the largest Sanwa office outside of Japan," he added.

President Brademas lauded Sanwa for its continuing relationship with the Japan-U.S. Center, which started in 1987 with a three-year, $300,000 grant to study financial markets throughout the world.

"In establishing The Center for Japan-U.S. Business and Economic Studies in 1983, New York University became the first American institution of higher learning to recognize academically the profound importance, not only to our two countries but to the entire world, of the prodigious commerce between Japan and the United States," said President Brademas.

Richard R. West, Dean of the Stern School, thanked Sanwa for its generosity and praised Professor Ryuzo Sato, director of the Japan-U.S. Center at Stern, for his leadership.

"This gift from the Sanwa Bank underscores the excellent reputation for business management education the Stern School enjoys throughout the world, and emphasizes the role the U.S.-Japan Center plays in strengthening the ties between our two countries," said Dean West.

Sanwa Bank Ltd. is the world's fifth largest bank, with assets of more than $375 billion. Its international network includes more than 100 offices in 27 countries. The New York branch has assets exceeding $18 billion.

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#90270p8871 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of the board of directors of UST Inc. (NYSE: UST) today, John J. Bucchignano was elected a senior vice president and controller. In addition, the company designated Bucchignano principal financial officer.

Reporting to Bucchignano as senior vice president and controller are Jeffrey D. Harris, treasurer; Joan M. Schreiner, director of taxes; Robert M. Fox, director of finance - subsidiary operations; and Robert T. D'Alessandro, assistant controller. In addition, he supervises Michael V. Delaney, director of internal auditing, who reports to the audit committee.

Prior to being elected senior vice president, Bucchignano served as controller and principal accounting officer. He will continue to serve in these positions. Before that he was director of financial planning, a position he held upon joining the company in 1984.

Before joining UST, Bucchignano served as controller at Cognitronics Corporation in Stamford. He also worked at the accounting firm of Ernst & Ernst (now Ernst & Young).

Bucchignano was graduated from Le Moyne College in Syracuse, N.Y., and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) and the New York State Society of CPA's. He resides in Bethel, Conn.

Through its subsidiaries, UST is a leading producer and marketer of moist smokeless tobacco products including Copenhagen, Skoal, Skoal Long Cut, and Skoal Bandits. Other consumer products marketed by its subsidiaries include premium wines sold nationally under the Chateau Ste. Michelle, Columbia Crest, Conn Creek, and Villa Mt. Eden labels. UST subsidiaries also manufacture or market quality pipes and imported pipe tobacco, imported cigars, and other tobacco-related products.

Copenhagen, Skoal, Skoal Long Cut, Skoal Bandits, Chateau Ste. Michelle, Columbia Crest, Conn Creek, and Villa Mt. Eden are registered trademarks of UST subsidiaries or its licensors.

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#90270p8873 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARIS (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Insurance companies must expand internationally to insure and finance the new expensive technologies of the 1990s so that exposure will be spread globally instead of regionally, said Henry G. Parker III, a managing director of Chubb & Son Inc.

Parker made his remarks in Paris before a conference entitled, "Challenges and Opportunities of U.S. Insurance in the 90s," sponsored by L'Argus.

Parker pointed out that oversees investment by U.S. insurance companies totals some $11 billion or about three percent of all U.S. foreign investments and has a rate of return of 16.4 percent and is growing.

Parker attributes the reticence of companies to expand overseas to a number of factors, including lack of long range vision, failure to realize the U.S. premium market is shrinking as a percent of world market and immediate pressure to produce improved quarterly earnings.

But, Parker added that the current round of negotiations of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) includes the trade of services. These negotiations, scheduled to end in December, will hopefully come to an agreement to reduce these trade barriers to the insurance industry, Parker noted.

Parker outlined a number of reasons on the importance for the U.S. insurance industry to look at the potential overseas market. These included difficult competitive conditions domestically, with too much risk capital chasing too little business, and a slowdown in new premium growth.

On the positive side, Parker highlighted the opportunities that exist for the insurance industry in once-Socialist countries in Eastern Europe that are now converting to market economies.

Parker also said that a strong U.S. insurance presence internationally will aid the U.S. trade deficit. "While we all read about the merchandise trade deficit, we don't read about the services industry surplus in trade. Manufacturing trade in the U.S., except for a couple of years, has always been in deficit. This was not a problem until 1981, when the services trade surplus could no longer offset the manufacturing deficit," Parker stated.

Henry Parker is a senior vice president and a managing director of Chubb & Son Inc., the managing arm of Chubb Group of Insurance Companies and a subsidiary of The Chubb Corporation (NYSE: CB) headquartered in Warren, N.J.

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#90270p8874 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of the board of directors of UST held today, Joseph R. Taddeo was elected a member of the board and executive vice president. In addition, he was elected president of United States Tobacco Company.

Since June 1988, Taddeo has served as senior vice president of United States Tobacco Company with responsibility for the sales, marketing, and international operations of the company.

As vice president of industry relations from April 1987 through June 1988, Taddeo was in charge of developing grassroots cooperation in addressing legislative and regulatory issues affecting the company's tobacco business.

He joined the company in 1982 as regional director, international division. From 1984 to 1985, Taddeo was managing director of United States Tobacco Company's European operations. In 1985, he was elected a vice president in charge of United States Tobacco Company's international division where he developed the company's European business.

Prior to joining the company, Taddeo held various executive sales and marketing positions with R.J. Reynolds, including time in the international

area residing in Latin America.

Taddeo serves on the board of the Child Guidance Center of Southern Connecticut, the Tobacco Merchants Association and the Smokeless Tobacco Council.

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GREENWICH, CT (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of UST (NYSE: UST) today elected Vincent A. Gierer A. Gierer, Jr. president and chief operating officer of UST. Louis F. Bantle who has served as chairman, chief executive officer and president, will continue as chairman and chief executive officer of the Fortune 500 company.

Prior to being named president and chief operating officer of UST, Gierer served as an executive vice president and chief financial officer.

Gierer joined the company 1978 as accounting manager. In 1979 he was named director of corporate financial reporting and accounting, and in 1983 was elected controller of the company. He was elected vice president in 1985, and in 1986 was named senior vice president and designated principal financial officer. In 1986, he was elected executive vice president.

Before joining the company, Gierer was associated with the accounting firm of the Ernst & Ernst (now Ernst & Young). Gierer holds a bachelor of business administration degree in accounting from Iona College. He is a Vietnam veteran having served with the U.S. Army.

He also is a member of the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants, the Financial Executives Institute and the Westchester Branch of the National Association of Accountants. He resides with his family in

Fairfield County, Conn.

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DENVER (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific Software-Intercomp Inc. (SSI) (NASDAQ: SSFT) announced today that it has closed an additional $1 million financing with Halliburton Company (NYSE: HAL) through the sale to Halliburton of SSI's five-year Zero Coupon Convertible Exchangeable Subordinated Debenture.

At such time as SSI's shareholders approve the authorization of additional preferred stock, the Debenture will be exchanged for 200,000 shares of preferred stock at $5 per share. Both the debenture and the preferred stock will be convertible into SSI common stock at the same $5 per share price.

If the debenture is not exchanged or converted, it will mature in 1995 at which time $1,503,657 will be payable representing the purchase price of the debenture and the accrual of 8.5 percent per annum interest thereon.

Dr. E. A. Breitenbach, chairman and president of SSI, explained that the $1 million of funding will be used by SSI for additional working capital and will further strengthen its balance sheet.

In April of this year Halliburton purchased for $3 million a similar Zero Coupon Convertible Exchangeable Subordinated Debenture. At SSI's annual meeting of shareholders in June 600,000 shares of preferred stock were authorized and the $3 million debenture was exchanged for such preferred stock. That preferred stock is also convertible into SSI common stock at the same $5 per share price.

At the time of the $3 million investment by Halliburton, SSI and Halliburton entered into an Operating Agreement providing SSI with worldwide distribution channels through Halliburton for SSI products and particularly for the SSI Workbench which is a family of computer software programs for use on desktop computers that make high technology available to a wide range of personnel at operating oil companies. Under the Operating Agreement SSI is also working with

Halliburton on its development of its own workstation.

Halliburton is one of the world's largest diversified oil field services and engineering and construction companies with offices throughout the world and with revenues for 1989 in excess of $5.6 billion.

SSI for more than 20 years has provided high technology software and consulting services to the oil and gas industry. The company has offices in Denver, Bakersfield, Calif., Houston, Calgary, Canada, London and Cairo, Egypt.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways, a wholly owned subsidiary of Pan Am Corporation (NYSE: PN), and Lufthansa German Airlines signed a definitive agreement in Frankfurt today under which Pan Am will provide certain services and facilities in connection with Lufthansa's proposed new Berlin operations.

Pan Am will receive $150 million upon closing of the transaction, which is expected on Friday, October 26.

On Sunday, October 28, Lufthansa plans to begin service between Berlin's Tegel Airport and Frankfurt, Munich, Hamburg, Dusseldorf, Nuremberg, Stuttgart and Cologne.

As part of the agreement, Pan Am will sell certain equipment to support Lufthansa's ground handling and check-in activities at Berlin's Tegel Airport and other points in West Germany currently being operated as part of Pan Am's Berlin Service. In addition, Pan Am will release certain slots, gates and various office facilities at designated airports in Germany.

Under a separate but related charter agreement, Pan Am will provide Boeing 727/200 charter capacity to support a portion of Lufthansa's intended schedule of operations from Berlin to Frankfurt, Munich, Dusseldorf, Nuremberg and Stuttgart. Pan Am will operate the charter services through June 30, 1991 on behalf of Lufthansa using Lufthansa flight numbers.

Pan Am will increase its New York to Berlin nonstop flights to five per week on October 28 and will begin London/Berlin service this Fall, offering convenient connections to Berlin from various U.S. cities. The U.S.-carrier will also continue to operate international services from the United States to Frankfurt, Munich, Hamburg, Stuttgart, and Nuremberg.

The operations of Berlin-based Pan Am Express/Europe are not affected by the

agreement. Pan Am Express currently offers service between 10 European cities and Berlin with 34 daily departures.

Pan Am first entered the Berlin market in 1950 when it acquired American Overseas Airways which was serving German markets from Berlin under a post World War II agreement signed by the United States, Great Britain, France and the Soviet Union. In its 40 years of uninterrupted service, Pan Am's IGS operations carried more that 67 million passengers.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Culbro Corporation (NYSE: CUC) today announced that Bruce A. Barnet had been reelected to its board of directors. Barnet left the board in 1988 after assignment to the Far East by his then employer, Time Warner Inc., with which he had worked since 1969. He returned to New York this year to assume the presidency of Riordan Publishing Company and of its consumer magazine group, Family Media. Publications include Discovery, Savvy Woman, 1001 Home Ideas, Golf Illustrated and World Tennis. Barnet, 45, is a graduate of Yale College and Columbia Business School and resides in New York City with his wife and two children. The Culbro board was expanded to 12 members with the addition of Barnet.

At its meeting today, the Culbro board also elected Ronald S. Milstein a vice president of the corporation. Milstein, 34, who has been with Culbro for seven years and received his law degree in 1981, will continue as assistant general counsel and assistant secretary. He resides in Massapequa, N.Y., with his wife and daughter.

Culbro Corporation is a diversified organization with interests in cigars, wholesale distribution of tobacco and sundry consumer products, industrial products including labeling systems and plastic components, real estate and landscape nursery stock.

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LIVINGSTON, NJ (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Three appointments to senior management positions at the Howard Savings Bank (NASDAQ: HWRD) were announced today by Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William P. Tuggle III.

Joseph E. Fitzgibbon, a 37-year banking industry veteran will join the Howard as executive vice president, senior lending officer, responsible for all lending activities including administration of the bank's loan workout

department. He comes to the Howard from First Fidelity Bank, N.A. where he was executive vice president and senior loan officer in charge of the bank's commercial loan portfolio.

Henry F. Thorne has been named executive vice president, human resources, for the Howard. He was previously with Fidelity Bank, Philadelphia, from 1974 to 1989, managing a variety of key functions which included strengthening the personnel organization of the bank as senior vice president and director of personnel.

Thorne left First Fidelity in 1989 to join the financially troubled Montgomery National Bank of Princeton as president and chief executive officer in an attempt to rescue the institution, which was placed in receivership by the Comptroller of the Currency in June of this year.

Robert L. Slater has been appointed senior vice president and senior asset recovery officer at the Howard, with responsibility for the bank's loan workout unit. He was previously senior vice president and asset recovery group leader at City Savings Bank, F.S.B. (formerly City Federal Savings Bank), Somerset, where he was involved in all aspects of troubled debt restructuring and the management and sale of real estate owned properties.

"The banking experience and expertise of these three key executives will enhance our management team and benefit the organization," Tuggle said.

Fitzgibbon entered the banking industry in 1953 as a teller trainee with First National State Bank, a First Fidelity predecessor, and except for ten years with Franklin State Bank (1967-1977) where he held a variety of senior management positions, he served his entire career with First Fidelity and its predecessor institutions.

Fitzgibbon re-joined the First Fidelity organization in 1977 as vice president and loan officer. From 1982 to 1984 he served as executive vice president and senior lending officer for two of its affiliates, in South Jersey and in Bergen County.

He became senior vice president and group lending officer at First Fidelity, New Jersey, in 1984 and was responsible for five commercial lending regions and a centralized loan operations department. He also managed the reorganization of the bank's commercial lending department following its merger with Fidelity Union Trust.

From 1987 to 1988 he served as executive vice president and senior lending officer of First Fidelity's North Jersey bank, responsible for all lending departments. As senior vice president of the parent company, First Fidelity Bancorporation, in 1988 he was assigned the responsibility for the loan review function for the corporation's eight subsidiary banks. Fitzgibbon, 58, earned a B.S. in economics from St. Peter's College in 1953. He resides in Annandale.

Thorne started his career as a corporate planning associate with CIGNA, Philadelphia, in 1972. He joined Southeast National Bank, Malvern, Pa., in 1974 as a corporate planning officer, becoming director of marketing in 1975 and county executive in 1977, where he oversaw 13 community banking offices and a centralized commercial lending function.

At Fidelity Bank he was community banking group head from 1983 to 1985, managing 50 branch offices in two suburban Philadelphia counties. From 1985 to 1986, he was responsible for the correspondent banking, government banking, small business lending and training divisions. Thorne, 47, received his MBA in finance from The Wharton School in Philadelphia.

Slater began his banking career in 1970 as a loan assistant and trainee at Midlantic National Bank, Newark. He became secured loans manager in 1972, financial analyst in 1974 and assistant vice president and credit manager in 1976, where he conducted the financial analysis and underwriting of all head office and corporate banking credits. In 1980 he became a head office commercial loan/account officer concentrating on small and middle market New Jersey-based manufacturers, retailers and service companies.

He joined City Federal Savings in 1984 as vice president and regional director real estate finance. A resident of Bedminster, Slater, 42, has a B.S. in finance from Lehigh University.

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BETHESDA, MD (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Martin Marietta Corporation (NYSE: ML) today raised the quarterly dividend on Martin Marietta common stock from 33-3/4 cents to 37-1/2 cents per share, an increase of 11.1 percent.

Payment at the new annualized rate of $1.50 per share will be made on Dec. 31, 1990, to holders of record at the close of business on Dec. 3, 1990. The last dividend increase was paid in September 1989.

"We have a solid and diversified backlog of orders in both our defense and non-defense businesses," said Norman R. Augustine, chairman and chief executive. "This dividend increase reflects our confidence in Martin Marietta's outlook and in our strategic positioning for the coming years," he added.

Separately, the board authorized purchase of 1 million of its common shares from Martin Marietta Corporation's Master Retirement Trust. The corporation

will have approximately 49 million shares of common stock outstanding after completion of this purchase.

In other action, the board updated its Shareholder Rights Plan, which was adopted in July 1986. Under the amendment, rights would become exercisable if any person's holding reaches 15 percent of the corporation's common stock. The amendment also adds both a percentage flip-in and an exchange feature. The corporation said these changes were not in response to any effort to acquire control of Martin Marietta, and it is not aware of any such effort.

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HAYWARD, CA. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Nellcor Inc. (NASDAQ: NELL) today announced that it has granted a license under its sensor-coding patents to SpaceLabs Inc. to use Nellcor's oximetry sensors with SpaceLabs' new model 90489 pulse oximetry module.

"We are very pleased to have completed this agreement with SpaceLabs," said Ray Larkin, Jr., Nellcor president and chief executive officer. "The agreement expands the list of major patient monitoring companies -- including Hewlett-Packard, Siemens and Puritan-Bennett -- with whom we now have patent licensing agreements. These agreements testify to the advantages of Nellcor's proprietary sensor technology in a range of diverse clinical settings."

The agreement allows SpaceLabs to offer Nellcor's multiple-use and single-use, patient-dedicated oximetry sensors with the new 90489 module. The wide variety of Nellcor sensors increases the module's possible applications for neonatal, pediatric and adult patients. The module is compatible with all SpaceLabs' Patient Care Management System (PCMS) monitors and is also able to use other sensors, including SpaceLabs' sensors.

SpaceLabs Inc. is a leading manufacturer of clinical information systems, patient monitoring equipment, diagnostic monitoring products and semi-automatic defibrillators for the pre-hospital market.

Nellcor Inc. designs, manufacturers and markets electronic monitoring instruments for patient safety and management in operating rooms, recovery rooms, intensive care units and throughout the hospital. Nellcor is the leading producer of pulse oximeters used in hospitals for the continuous measurement of patient oxygen status.

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HARTFORD, CONN. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - At an analysts' meeting in New York Wednesday, Sept. 26, Ken Butterworth, chairman and CEO of Loctite Corporation (NYSE: LOC), commented that Loctite is currently benefiting from strong organic growth, favorable currency comparisons with last year and the inclusion of acquisitions made during the last nine months.

This will result in sales growth of approximately 20 percent in the first quarter. He also commented that the current level of oil prices will have a negligible direct effect on cost of sales.

Loctite Corporation, a worldwide, market-driven specialty chemical company, ranks among the leading suppliers of high-performance adhesives, sealants, coatings, specialized brand-name chemicals and electroluminescent lamps and lighting systems. Principal markets include industrial, electronics, specialized medical, professional automotive and consumer.

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TULSA, OK. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - MAPCO Inc. (NYSE: MDA) today elected Don Hodel, former Secretary of the Department of Energy and former Secretary of the Department of the Interior, a director.

Hodel is currently the president of Summit Group International, Inc., an energy and natural resources consulting firm, and adviser to the president of Texon Corporation, a Houston-based company engaged in oil and gas marketing and related activities. He is a member of the board of directors and executive committee of American Electric Power Company and a member of the advisory board of the Electric Power Research Institute. Prior to his service as a member of the President's cabinet, Hodel served as the administrator of the Bonneville Power Administration and as an attorney.

A graduate of Harvard College, Hodel received his juris doctorate from the University of Oregon School of Law.

MAPCO is a diverse energy company whose business is conducted by four operating subsidiaries: MAPCO Coal produces and markets bituminous steam and metallurgical coal; MAPCO Gas Products produces and markets natural gas liquids and fertilizers; MAPCO Petroleum operates refineries and retail marketing networks through the Mid-South and Alaska systems; and MAPCO Transportation operates natural gas liquids and ammonia pipelines, and fractionation and storage facilities.

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DEARBORN, MI (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) has been awarded a $14.5 million research and development cost-shared contract by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to advance electric vehicle powertrain technology toward commercialization.

Ford will provide research and development for the DOE's Modular Electric Vehicle Program (MEVP), which will focus on developing electric vehicle powertrain components, or "modules," suitable for use in a range of vehicle sizes -- from small two-passenger vehicles through full-sized vans. This program will allow manufacturers to build greater amounts of the electric vehicle components at lower costs, a major step in commercial product development.

The project is expected to result in more cost-effective production of electric vehicles on automotive assembly lines, said Dr. John P. McTague, Ford vice president - Technical Affairs. "This approach will enable electric vehicles to enter the marketplace sooner than through traditional design programs," he said.

The MEVP project calls for delivery of three electric vehicle powertrains, of varying sizes, using the modular components for the propulsion system. The powertrains will be integrated into three separate vehicles: a two-seater small passenger car, a subcompact wagon and the Aerostar minivan.

The MEVP development vehicles will be designed to permit acceleration from 0 to 50 mph in less than 18 seconds and a top speed of 70 mph.

GE Drive Systems of Salem, Va., will be a major subcontractor in the program. GE will have responsibility for the design of the electric subsystem.

As the prime contractor, Ford Motor Company will be responsible for management of the program, including systems design and the design and development of major subsystems such as the transaxle, system controller and battery subsystem. GE will have responsibility for design of the motor and of the inverter and its controls.

Ford's research and development program will expand the work performed under a previous two-part DOE cost-shared program that began in 1982. In the first phase of the program, the ETX-I powertrain was developed and incorporated into a small passenger car, the Mercury LN-7. This vehicle was delivered to the DOE in Washington, D.C., in 1986.

Current research involves the ETX-II powertrain, which was installed in a production Aerostar and showcased in Toronto and Washington, D.C., in 1989.

The ETX-II propulsion system features a compact transaxle which, for the first time, incorporates an alternating current motor, a two-speed automatic transmission and drive axle into a single-axle package. The ETX-II will be delivered to the DOE later this year.

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BEAVER, PA. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael Baker Corp. (AMEX: BKR) and Gehrmann Consult GmbH, a German architectural/engineering firm based in Wiesbaden, have signed a letter of intent to establish a new company to provide engineering services in Germany and countries in eastern Europe, it was announced today. The new company, which has not yet been named, will provide environmental management and facilities planning and design services for public and private sector European clients. It will be based in Wiesbaden, Germany.

"With the reunification of Germany, and recent economic and political developments in eastern Europe, we see many opportunities for providing specialized environmental engineering and science services," said William G. Thomas, Baker executive vice president. "There also is a growing need for facilities planning and design services."

Thomas said that in addition to Germany, countries targeted by the new company include Hungary, Czechoslovakia and the Soviet Union. Additional future opportunities exist in Poland, Yugoslavia, Rumania and Bulgaria, he said.

The new company will operate separately from Michael Baker GmbH, Baker's new subsidiary, whose formation was announced on Aug. 28, 1990. Based in Frankfurt am Main, Germany, Michael Baker GmbH is pursuing environmental management and facilities planning and design projects throughout western Europe and for U.S. clients in Germany.

Baker currently is the contractor for a major program of environmental management and asbestos abatement for the U.S. Department of Defense Dependents School system in 19 foreign countries, including Germany. In addition, Baker recently completed an environmental audit for a private firm seeking acquisition of an industrial facility in Germany, provided facility evaluations and design recommendations at sites located throughout western Europe for a U.S. government agency, and soon will begin a new asbestos management contract for facilities in Germany and Italy.

Michael Baker Corp., through its various subsidiaries, provides professional services worldwide in the fields of facilities planning and design, environmental management, facility operation and maintenance, transportation, civil and water resources engineering, and geo-digital services.

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MALVERN, Pa. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Aloette Cosmetics Inc. (NASDAQ: ALET), a franchisor, direct marketer and manufacturer of skin care products and cosmetics, declared a quarterly dividend of $.08 per share, payable on Nov. 15 to stock of record Oct. 26.

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ST. LOUIS (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Landmark Bancshares Corp. (NYSE: LBC) today announced that third-quarter earnings will be approximately $1 million, or $.12 to $.13 per common share (fully diluted), as the company increases its loan reserve by approximately $2.5 million to 1.40 percent of total loans, all in the third quarter. The company had previously announced plans to increase the loan reserve to 1.30 percent-1.35 percent of total loans over the third and succeeding quarters. For the third quarter, operating performance will be in line with earlier expectations and net charge-offs are expected to return to more normal levels.

"The increase in the loan reserve to approximately 1.40 percent of total loans all in the third quarter, results in year-to-date earnings that are lower than market expectations," stated S. Lee Kling, chairman and chief executive officer. "However, it is the company's fundamental earnings capacity that enables us to build our reserve by nearly $3.6 million in the first nine months of this year, while maintaining our solid capital base. Shareholders' equity is expected to be approximately $128 million, or $17.30 per share, at the end of the third quarter.

"Building the reserve in the third quarter is prudent in light of a higher-than-normal level of non-performing assets, the current economic environment and the regulators' expectations for higher reserves," Kling continued. "It does not relate to any specific loan situation."

The third-quarter provision of approximately $3.4 million should bring the total loan reserve to $20.6 million, compared with $18.1 million at the end of the second quarter and $16.9 million at the beginning of 1990. Net charge-offs are expected to be approximately .26 percent of average loans, compared with .70 percent in the second quarter. The non-performing assets ratio is expected to be in a range of 3.5-4.0 percent in the third quarter, compared with 3.1 percent the in second quarter.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, is expected to be approximately $3.8 million, or approximately $.51 per share, and will reflect a loan provision for the first nine months of 1990 of approximately $9.2 million. This compares with net income of $10.7 million, or $1.51 per share, for the same period last year which included a loan provision of $4.7 million. Third-quarter 1990 results will also reflect a charge to earnings of approximately $300,000 attributable to the alternative minimum tax. This amount can be recouped in future quarters as earnings return to normal levels.

Loan Review Process Kling pointed to actions the company is taking to further strengthen its loan review procedures. "While it appears that third-quarter charge-offs have returned to levels consistent with our historical performance our non-performing assets have risen. Addressing the issue of loan quality is our top priority. Along these lines, James A. Saitz has been assigned to oversee the entire loan review process, including monitoring the status and quality of existing credits, overseeing the work-out of problem loans and managing the reduction of our non- performing assets. Mr. Saitz will have the authority to directly coordinate specific individuals within the company as well as tape outside resources, as needed."

Saitz, who joined Landmark in August 1986, is executive vice president of Landmark Bancshares Corp. and chairman and chief executive officer of Landmark's Illinois region. His background includes working as assistant bank examiner and financial analyst in the bank supervision and regulations department of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, followed by executive positions with a St. Louis bank group and with a real estate brokerage firm concentrating in commercial, industrial and investment properties.

Expense Reduction Program Kling discussed the stepped-up implementation of the company's expense control strategies to maximize earnings. "In light of current earnings pressure, we have implemented additional cost-reduction programs including salary reductions for all senior officers and other expense cuts throughout the company, which should result in additional annualized savings of approximately $1.1 million. Because we have a very high-quality group of people working for Landmark, these cost- reduction measures should not compromise customer service.

"These measures complement Landmark's successful, long-term program to expand our assets while reducing operating expense," he noted. "Through consolidation merger and other cost-control efforts, we have reduced our ratio of overhead expense to assets to 3.06 percent in the second quarter of 1990 from 3.45 percent at year-end 1987."

Outlook For Full Year Kling commented, "Because of the uncertainty that pervades the industry and the economy, we are hesitant to discuss the fourth quarter outlook. However, we feel that the strong increase in our loan reserve, overhead reduction strategies and actions in addressing problem loans will benefit the periods ahead."

In conclusion, Kling said, "We are committed to the long-term future of Landmark. With more than one-quarter of the company's outstanding shares owned by Landmark directors, officers and employees, we have a significant stake in our future success. Our market franchise is among the strongest in the metropolitan areas we serve and we believe that we will continue to see the advantages of our strategic positioning as we move forward."

Landmark Bancshares Corp. is a St. Louis-based multibank holding company with 48 locations serving the Missouri and Illinois portion of the bi-state St. Louis metropolitan area, Kansas City and southwest Missouri.

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EDINA, MN. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Image Retailing Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: IMAG) today reported sales and earnings results for its fourth quarter and year ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for the quarter were $5,040,000; cost of goods sold was $3,000,000; gross profit was $2,040,000; and net loss was $(59,000). Sales for the year were $22,275,000; cost of goods sold was $13,346,000; gross profit was $8,929,000; and net income was $84,000.

Sales for the quarter were up 2.7 percent over the same period last year. Net loss was $(59,000) compared to a net loss of $(75,000) for the same period last year. The year-end results show sales up 14 percent and net income down 31 percent versus the same period last year. "We achieved record sales for the year, and though we reduced our losses in the fourth quarter compared to the same period last year, we were hurt by slower sales in the fourth quarter related to the slower local economic environment. We have implemented cost-cutting actions which should produce improvements in succeeding quarters " said Gary Thorne, president and chief executive officer.

Image Retailing Group is holding company formed in 1985 for the purpose of operating specialty consumer electronics stores. The company's only operating subsidiary is Audio King, Inc., which was acquired in September 1986. Audio King operates 11 stores in Minnesota and one in South Dakota.

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PORTLAND, Ore. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Bioject Inc. (NASDAQ: BJCTF)

announced today it has signed its first California distribution agreement with Santa Ana-based Deckert Medical Inc. The agreement signifies Bioject's entry into the second phase of its stepped national introduction for its Biojector, a needleless jet injection system.

The announcement was made by Tom Renne, national sales manager for Bioject, who indicated that the balance of distributor agreements for the west coast will be completed by year end.

Earlier this month Bioject announced the signing of a Canadian distributor, Vereburn Supply Ltd., that will market the Biojector in western Canada. The U.S. Pacific Northwest, including Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana, is represented by Biddle & Crowther, that region's largest physician supplier.

Deckert Medical Inc., a privately-held company in business since 1926, has 21 sales representatives and four customer service agents covering a sales area south from Los Angeles to San Diego and eastward to the Palm Springs/Coachella Valley region.

"Deckert is a highly-respected company in the Southern California market with a proven commitment to customer service and an extremely high fill rate with its customers," commented Renne. "It's a quality firm with which we are proud to be associated."

Company officials at Deckert view the addition of the Biojector to its product line as a natural fit to its niche marketing strategy of supplying quality technology equipment to the healthcare industry.

"Bioject is in the forefront for the future of medication administration," commented Ron Cichocki, vice president of marketing and sales for Deckert. "We're excited to bring this technology to the market."

Tom Deckert, president, is a past chairman of both the Health Industry Distributors Association's Physician Market Group and Abco Dealers Inc. All sales representatives of Deckert are required to participate in HIDA's "Advanced Sales Training Program," a rigorous certification program for healthcare distribution representatives.

Bioject Inc. is a Portland, Ore.-based company specializing in drug delivery systems. The company develops, manufactures and markets needleless jet injection systems for widespread use in the healthcare industry.

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OAKBROOK TERRACE, ILL. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Telesphere Communications Inc. (AMEX: TSP), a full-service long distance telephone company and a leading provider of interactive 900 network services, today introduced a new enhanced information service for users of its TravelNet(R) long distance calling card.

The service, called TravelNet Connection(SM), offers TravelNet users immediate access to up-to-the-minute news, weather reports, sports scores and stock quotes. Charges for the service, which accrue on a per-minute basis, will be billed with other long distance charges on a single monthly Telesphere invoice.

To access TravelNet Connection, using a touch tone phone, callers dial the standard Telesphere 800 number, enter their personal travel code and then dial INFO (4636). Callers are then guided through the TravelNet Connection menu of services and may request as much or as little information as they desire.

According to Nick Jent, senior vice president of sales and marketing for Telesphere's Communication Services business unit, TravelNet Connection is only the latest in a series of enhanced calling features Telesphere has added to its portfolio of long distance services in recent months. "Our objective is to design and market long distance services that make our customers more productive," Jent said. "Business travelers need easy access to up-to-the-minute information so they can make informed decisions quickly. TravelNet Connection meets this need and as a result will make our TravelNet long distance calling card even more successful than it already is."

Earlier this year, Telesphere announced that it had signed an agreement with Voice Control Systems of Dallas to integrate voice recognition and speaker verification technology into its TravelNet card.

Telesphere Communications Inc. operates a nationwide, state-of-the- art, digital fiber optic network over which it provides long distance, operator, interactive 900 and other enhanced telecommunications services.

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BETHLEHEM, PA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Claudine B. Malone, president of Financial & Management Consulting Inc., of McLean, Va., has been elected a director of Union Pacific Corp. (NYSE: UNP).

A graduate of Wellesley College, Malone is a C.P.A. and holds an M.B.A. from the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. She has been a member of the faculty of the Harvard Business School, the University of Virginia and Georgetown University. From 1967 to 1970, Malone was the controller and manager of Data Processing at the Raleigh Stores of Washington, D.C.

She is a director of the Scott Paper Co., Houghton Mifflin Co., Campbell Soup Co., the Boston Co., Dart Group Corp., The Limited Inc. and Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Interstate/Johnson Lane, Inc.'s (NYSE: IS) board of directors today elected James. H. Morgan as president and chief operating officer. Morgan succeeds Elmon L. Vernier, Jr., who will continue as a consultant to the Company to pursue formation of an investment management joint venture in which Interstate/Johnson Lane may be a participant.

Morgan's appointment was hailed by Parks Dalton, who recently rejoined the Company as chairman and chief executive.

"Jim Morgan is not only admired and respected for his investment advice by individuals and corporations throughout the Southeast, but through the years he has forged strong and lasting relationships with many people at Interstate/Johnson Lane," Dalton said. "He is a leader and a motivator, and will challenge all of us to build on the base already established at Interstate/Johnson Lane to bring the company to its place as the premier securities firm in the Southeast."

Morgan originally joined Interstate/Johnson Lane in 1986 where he became senior vice president and director of investment policy. He resigned in July 1989 to become president of Morgan Investments Inc. in Greenville, S.C., a family firm.

While at Interstate/Johnson Lane, Morgan earned national recognition when he won a stock-picking contest held by the Wall Street Journal for five months in a row, outperforming other investment professionals and the Dow Jones Industrial Average.

With more than $80 million in capital, Interstate/Johnson Lane is one of the largest broker-dealer and investment banking firms headquartered in the Southeast. The firm has 1,150 employees, including more than 450 account executives serving individual and institutional investors through more than 70 sales offices in six southeastern states and New York City.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Oprah Winfrey's HARPO Productions, Inc., has named Kate Forte vice president of development for the company. Forte will head and open HARPO's west coast office in Los Angeles, it was announced today by HARPO president, Jeffrey Jacobs.

"We are very happy to have someone of Kate Forte's experience and judgment join us in this expansion and we look forward to continuing good relations in the creative community with the addition of our west coast office," said Jacobs.

Forte will be responsible for material acquisitions and development of theatrical and TV movies including HARPO's four-film commitment with ABC-TV.

Forte was formerly director of development at Marian Rees Associates, where she worked on more than a dozen television movies, including eight Hallmark Hall of Fame presentations.

HARPO Productions is based in Chicago at Winfrey's HARPO Studios. It also has offices in New York City.

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DEERFIELD, Ill. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Deerfield Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ: DEER) declared a $.20 per share cash quarterly dividend payable Oct. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 5.

CONTACT: David Mullins or Jane Brenner, 708-945-2550, for Deerfield Federal Savings and Loan Association

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BLUE BELL, PA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Unisys Corp. (NYSE: UIS) said today that the board of directors voted to suspend the quarterly dividend on its common shares.

The quarterly dividend had been 25 cents per share. Unisys emphasized that the common dividend action does not affect preferred stock dividends.

"The dividend action," said James A. Unruh, Unisys president and chief executive officer, "reflects the judgment of the board and management that the best way to maximize value to shareholders is to accelerate the improvement of our overall financial structure, particularly by reducing our debt as a percentage of total capital. Funds that would normally be used for the common dividend will be reinvested in the company to reduce debt. Though we have an

aggressive debt reduction program in place, faster progress in improving our capital structure would benefit shareholders.

"We have paid regular dividends for nearly 100 years, so this action was not taken lightly. We involved the Board and outside advisors during the six months since I was named CEO in a detailed review of the company's operations and plans. We also looked at such external factors as the significant structural change in the computer industry and the defense sector, the probability of cyclically weak economic conditions in many major markets and the impact of the Iraq crisis on the global financial picture. The conclusion was that this is simply not an appropriate point in the company's history to pay high dividends.

"The dividend decision's emphasis on restoring a conservative balance sheet is equally reflected in the overall strategic decisions made recently by the new management team as a result of the business review. In summary, those decisions aim to further specialize and focus our participation in the information systems industry. We will increasingly focus our investments on our internal strengths in overall network and system design, software and professional services. Our particular specialty will be providing mission critical solutions based on open network standards for customers with transaction intensive environments. This approach to our business represents a logical evolution from the basic marketing and product strategies and strengths developed over recent years.

"These actions are designed to improve both operational effectiveness and the financial profile of the business. We continue to target for 1990 a debt reduction of $600-800 million and a further reduction in 1991 of at least that magnitude. Over the near term, we expect a loss in the third quarter and a profit in the fourth quarter. Our 1991 business plan will include continued restraint on spending and working capital levels.

"Overall, we are convinced that our strategic and operational direction for the 1990s and beyond is sound. The dividend action is the appropriate one at this time as we strengthen our industry position for the long term," Unruh said.

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ROCHESTER, NY (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Bausch & Lomb (NYSE: BOL) announced today that Alexander Izzard and Manuel Sosa have been elected vice presidents of the corporation.

Izzard joined Bausch & Lomb in 1981 as area vice president - Far East for the international division. Prior to joining Bausch & Lomb, he held executive

positions with Hunt Wesson Foods, Frito-Lay Japan and Vendo Japan.

He is a 1959 graduate of Dartmouth College and holds an M.B.A. degree from the University of California at Los Angeles.

Sosa joined Bausch & Lomb in 1988 as vice president - western hemisphere for the international division. Prior to joining Bausch & Lomb, he held executive positions with RCA/Ariola International and R.J. Reynolds.

Sosa is a 1970 graduate of the University of Miami, Fla.

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#90270p8945 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Savings Banks in New York state hold $70.4 billion in real estate loans -- the second highest level on record, according to the Savings Banks Association of New York State (SBANYS).

The amount in outstanding loans at the end of 1990's second quarter was up $3.9 billion -- or nearly 5.9 percent from the first quarter of the year, and up $200 million from the second quarter of 1989. The record amount of outstanding real estate loans held by New York savings banks was $71 billion at the end of the first quarter of 1989.

"Savings banks in New York state are maintaining a good level of activity when it comes to home financing, despite the slump in the residential real estate market and declining home prices in many areas," said SBANYS President and CEO Robert O. Lehrman. "Their expertise in home mortgages, co-op and condo loans and their long history of helping New Yorkers realize the American dream of home ownership is recognized by an increasing number of homebuyers statewide."

SBANYS represents an industry of 82 savings banks with approximately $140 billion in assets, employing 35,000 people in 1,000 branches, offices and subsidiaries statewide. It is the largest organization representing savings banks in New York state.

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#90270p8946 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevrolet announced revision of many consumer incentives and a continuation of some others on its 1990 and 1991 model Chevrolet and Geo cars and trucks, effective Sept. 27 through Dec. 12.

The incentives range from $500 to $1,250. Alternative GMAC financing continues to be available -- at a 7.9-percent rate for 12-48-month contracts and 10.9 percent for 60 months.

Following is a complete list of Chevrolet and Geo incentives. Revised incentives are marked with (a)

Passenger Cars Geo Metro 1990	$ 500(a)
Geo Metro 1991	500
Geo Storm 1990/91	500
Geo Prizm 1990	1,250(a)
Geo Prizm 1991	800(a)
Geo Tracker 1990	1,000
Geo Tracker 1991 (2WD)	500
Geo Tracker 1991 (4WD)	1,000
Cavalier 1990	500(a)
Cavalier 1991	500
Camaro 1990	1,000(a)
Camaro 1991	500(a)
Corsica 1990	500(a)
Corsica 1991	500(a)
Beretta 1990	750(a)
Beretta 1991	500(a)
Lumina 1990	500(a)
Lumina 1991	750
Caprice 1991	1,000(a) Trucks
Astro 1990 (all models)	$ 600
Astro 1991 (all models)	500
G-Van 1990	1,000
G-Van 1991	500
V Blazer 1990	1,000
V Blazer 1991	1,000(a)
Suburban 1990	1,000
Suburban 1991	1,000(a) C/K 1500-3500 1990 pickup
& cab-chassis (automatic transmission only; excl. 454SS)	500(a) C/K 1500-3500 1991 pickup
& cab-chassis (automatic transmission only; excl. 454SS)	500 C/K 1500-3500 1990 pickup
& cab-chassis (manual transmission)	500(a)
R/V pickup and cab-chassis 1990	750
R/V pickup and cab-chassis 1991	750(a)
S/T pickup 1990	1,000(a)
S/T pickup 1991	1,000
S/T Blazer 1990	1,000(a)
S/T Blazer (2-Dr.) 1991	500

S/T Blazer (4-Dr.) 1991	1,000
Lumina APV 1990	500(a)
Lumina APV 1991	500

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Administrator Susan Engeleiter today proposed a package of regulatory changes for Small Business Investment Companies (SBICs) that will lessen the governments exposure to losses in the program.

The package, published for comment today in the Federal Register, includes 16 proposed regulatory changes.

SBICs are privately organized and managed venture capital investment firms that are licensed and regulated by the SBA. Using privately raised capital and funds obtained at favorable rates with SBA guarantees, SBICs provide long-term loans and equity financing to qualified small businesses. The first set of proposed regulations includes 15 steps. These major changes would:

-- Give the SBA nearly equal standing with other creditors when the debts of failed SBICs are settled. The proposed regulation would limit the subordination of SBIC debt to the agency. Under current rules, an SBIC's entire debt to the SBA is subordinate to the claims of other creditors. This provision will increase the amounts recovered by the SBA in liquidation proceedings of failed SBICs.

-- Set minimum requirements for the financial data SBICs must compile on the small businesses in which they invest. SBICs will be required to submit the data to the SBA before providing any financing to the small businesses and annually thereafter.

-- Require that any SBIC funds that are not currently being used to finance small businesses be safety invested in U.S. government securities or in federally insured bank accounts or certificates of deposit.

-- Limit the size of small companies in which SBICs can invest to those with gross assets under $20 million. This provision is designed to prevent use of SBIC funds to finance leveraged buyouts of large businesses.

An additional change proposed for comment would clarify existing rules that an SBIC's accountants must ensure that formal valuation procedures and underlying documentation are in place to fully support the values an SBIC establishes for its investment assets.

The regulatory changes are the latest in a series proposed over the past six weeks as part of a broad effort to strengthen the rules governing SBIC activities, SBIC financial relationships with the SBA, and financial reporting by SBICs.

Engeleiter said that work on other possible regulatory changes is continuing, and the agency is developing a new audit guide that deals specifically with new regulations.

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LA JOLLA, CA. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Eric P. Neibart, M.D., a New York physician, medical educator and authority on infectious diseases, has been elected to the Board of Directors of LIDAK Pharmaceuticals (NASDAQ: LDAKU), based in La Jolla.

In making the announcement, David H. Katz, M.D., chairman and chief executive of LIDAK, said, "We are delighted to have Dr. Neibart join our Board. He brings with him expertise in clinical infectious diseases and a hands-on understanding of the complexities of managing the diseases of AIDS and its associated illnesses."

Neibart, 36, is a Diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine, Board Certified in Infectious Diseases and a member of the Executive Committee of the Intern Selection Committee at Mount Sinai Hospital, New York. He is also the author or co-author of a number of medical articles on such topics as antimicrobial agents and pneumonia, gastroenteritis and other secondary diseases in AIDS patients.

Neibart is a graduate of Franklin & Marshall College and received the Jesse McCall Award as outstanding student upon graduation from New Jersey Medical School. He fulfilled his internship and residency requirements at Mount Sinai Hospital where he served as chief medical resident.

LIDAK Pharmaceuticals is a biotechnology company organized to develop and commercialize innovative pharmaceutical products. The first such product is a patented, topical therapeutic compound which has produced positive results in volunteer patients suffering from oral and genital herpes infections and certain inflammatory skin diseases.

LIDAK has engaged in a strategic alliance with Medical Biology Institute which includes a 20-year license agreement giving LIDAK exclusive rights to all MBI technology.

The first of such technologies is one in which the adult human immune system

has been engineered to function in mice with a genetic defect known as Severe Combined ImmunoDeficiency (SCID), which is initially being commercialized for drug development against AIDS.

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ST. PAUL, Minn. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - ZEOS International, Ltd. (NASDAQ: ZEOS) today announced the appointment of its new chief financial officer. At the same time, the company announced the creation and staffing of two additional management positions.

The company announced that John Bakewell has been appointed as chief financial officer effective Oct. 8, 1990. Prior to joining ZEOS, Bakewell served as manager in the Audit and Entrepreneurial Services Departments of the Minneapolis office of the accounting firm Ernst & Young. For the past three years, Bakewell served as Ernst & Young's Engagement Manager for the ZEOS International account.

According to Greg Herrick, president of ZEOS, "We consider John Bakewell an excellent fit for the position of chief financial officer. John has worked hand-in-hand with our management and accounting staff for several years. As an employee of Ernst & Young, John has already contributed a great deal to the success of our company. We are pleased to have him join us now as our new chief financial officer."

In addition, the company announced the appointment of William Edwards to the position of director of Manufacturing. Prior to joining ZEOS, Edwards was director of production for Lee Data Corporation and prior to that, manager of Testing and Assembly for Control Data. "Bill's 25 years manufacturing experience at Lee Data and Control Data will contribute significantly to our company's production abilities," Herrick noted. "He is a terrific addition to our management staff."

The company also announced the appointment of Terry Wander as director of Technical Services. In this capacity, Wander is responsible for ZEOS' telephone technical support as well as field and in-house repair services. Wander comes to ZEOS with significant management experience including five years with Great Northern Epson where he was director of Customer Support and received two national awards for the top Epson Customer Support center. Wander also served on Epson America's Customer Support Task Force. "Terry's experience in the management of technical and customer support services is perfect for ZEOS," Herrick noted.

ZEOS International, Ltd., manufactures and markets, direct to end users, ISA

and EISA (Industry and Extended Industry Standard Architecture) personal computer systems and workstations based on the Intel 80286, 80386 and 80486 microprocessor world wide under the ZEOS name. The company also provides contract manufacturing services under the name NPC Electronics and distributes passive electronic components through its Parts1 distribution division.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Selfix, Inc. (NASDAQ: SLFX), today announced that in November 1990 it will move its Independent Products operations to Selfix main manufacturing operations in Chicago. Selfix acquired the assets of Independent Products Co. on June 22, 1990. IPC is a manufacturer of plastic Home Organization products that it markets in channels of distribution similar to Selfix. The Independent Products facility in West Point, Pa., will be closed and all administrative and manufacturing operations will be consolidated at the company's facility in Chicago.

Said Chairman Meyer J. Ragir, "The combination of Independent Products and Selfix offers synergies in marketing, operations and distribution. Because of our expertise in plastic manufacturing we can implement production efficiencies here in Chicago to better service IPC's customers."

Selfix intends to take a one-time charge associated with the relocation, the duplicate operation of both facilities and certain other nonrecurring costs. The company anticipates that despite this charge, which is not expected to exceed $1 million, it will earn a nominal profit in the June-September period.

Said Ragir, "Although the cost of relocation is significant, combining the manufacturing operations will enhance the long term profitability of our company. We prefer to be conservative in our financial management and not capitalize ll the costs, so a substantial portion will be expensed. Therefore we have decided to take a one-time charge in the period ending Sept. 30, 1990."

Selfix also announced it would change its reporting period to coincide with the calendar year, to eliminate lost production time due to physical inventories conducted in busy shipping periods. June 1 through Dec. 31, 1990 will be a shortened, seven-month annual period. June will be a stand alone month, and July-September and October- December will be reported as two quarterly periods.

Selfix, Inc., based in Chicago, designs, manufactures and markets a broad range of consumer home products, including over 300 housewares and Home Organization products.

Selfix is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the ticker symbol SLFX.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Moody's Investors Service today assigned ratings to a $1.3 billion offering of Commonwealth of Massachusetts Fiscal Recovery Loan, Act of 1990 bonds to be sold today. The offering consists of four series of bonds, three of which are secured by letters of credit. The Series A bonds, totalling $1.025 billion and not secured by a letter of credit are rated Baa1. Series B, comprising $125 million of bonds with a letter of credit from National Westminster Bank PLC, and Series C, consisting of $100 million of bonds with a letter of credit from Union Bank of Switzerland, New York Branch, are each rated Aaa/VMIG 1; the $75 million of Series D bonds, with a letter of credit from Mitsui Taiyo Kobe Bank, Ltd., is rated Aa3/VMIG 1.

The provision of a dedicated revenue source from an issuer still facing serious credit difficulties affords a degree of enhanced security for these new bonds.

The Series A bonds are satisfactorily secured by dedicated income tax revenues to be deposited monthly to an irrevocable trust fund established with a trustee. Dedication of the share of state personal income taxes attributable to 15 percent of rates now in effect helps insulate the revenue stream from the Commonwealth's financial problems and from proposed tax rate reductions to be decided by voter this November.

The presence of letters of credit from National Westminster Bank PLC, acting through its New York branch, and from Union Bank of Switzerland, New York branch, result in best quality security for the Series B and Series C bonds, respectively. The presence of a letter of credit from Mitsui Taiyo Kobe Bank, Ltd., results in high quality security for the Series D bonds. All three letters of credit provide for regularly scheduled principal and interest, as well as demand payments. The ratings reflect Moody's evaluation of the creditworthiness of the banks issuing the letters of credit, and are based on a structure which ensures timely payments to bondholders and adequate legal protections.

Proceeds of these bonds will clear the Commonwealth's $1.3 billion accumulated deficit but it is too soon to assess the effect of efforts to restore financial control. Continuing threats to fiscal stability are posed by economic weakening which has already produced lowerings of this year's revenue estimates, a pending court challenge to part of the fiscal 1991 tax package, and the tax cut petition to be voted in November.

Amount of next tax-supported debt outstanding, including new: $10.73 billion.

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CAMDEN, NJ (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Campbell Soup Co. (NYSE: CPB) announced today that two of the most senior members of its board of directors will retire from active service and become Directors Emeriti.

Two prominent business leaders were named to succeed them. William S. Cashel Jr., 70, will retire and become Director Emeritus as of Nov. 15, 1990, after more than a decade of service which included four years as chairman of the board. Cashel is a retired vice chairman and chief financial officer of American Telephone & Telegraph Co.

Dorrance H. Hamilton, 62, will retire and become Director Emeritus as of Oct. 1, 1990, after nearly a decade of service. Mrs. Hamilton, who is a granddaughter of the inventor of condensed soup, and a major shareholder, is a trustee of various organizations and president of The Little House Shop Inc.

At its regular monthly meeting today Campbell's board unanimously nominated Edmund M. Carpenter, 48, chairman and chief executive officer of General Signal Corp. (NYSE: GSX), Stamford, Conn., to succeed Cashel. Carpenter will stand for election at the annual meeting of shareowners on Nov. 15.

Charles H. Mott, 58, was unanimously elected as a director, effective Oct. 1, succeeding Mrs. Hamilton. Mott also was unanimously nominated to the slate that will be voted on in November. Mott is president and chief executive officer of John W. Bristol & Co. Inc., a multibillion-dollar, New York-based, investment management firm specializing in university and foundation endowments.

He is expected to be named shortly as a trustee of the Campbell Major Shareholders' Voting Trust, which was established in June 1990.

In a prepared statement, Robert J. Vlasic, chairman of Campbell's board of directors, said:

"Bill Cashel has given generously of his time and considerable talent over the many years he has served on our board. Dorrance Hamilton has served with patience and grace through a difficult period that has produced major changes at the company. We will miss them both as directors.

"We are delighted to announce the election of Mr. Mott and the nomination of Mr. Carpenter. Each of them brings a wealth of experience and expertise to

the board."

CONTACT: James H. Moran of Campbell Soup, 609-342-6426.

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#90270p8960 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALNUT CREEK, CALIF. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff is proposing to fine the Arizona Nuclear Power Project (ANPP) $75,000 for alleged violations of NRC requirements involving medical records of licensed reactor operators at the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, located 10 miles west of Phoenix, Ariz. NRC Regional Administrator John B. Martin notified the ANPP of the alleged violations by letter on Sept. 26.

During inspections conducted July 16 through Aug. 7, 1990, inspectors found:

1) that ANPP failed to notify the NRC regarding four licensed operators who had developed medical conditions which would disqualify them from standing watch; and

2) that ANPP inaccurately certified that medical examinations for 15 candidates for operator licenses had been conducted in accordance with NRC requirements.

These alleged violations have been categorized as a Severity Level III problem with Level I being the most serious and Level V the least serious. The base civil penalty for Severity Level III is $50,000. The penalty was escalated 50 percent because NRC inspectors first identified weaknesses in the medical records management system and ANPP follow-up was initially inadequate.

ANPP now has 30 days to submit a written statement to the NRC admitting or denying the alleged violation, explaining the reasons for it if admitted, stating the corrective actions which have been or will be taken and the date when full compliance was or will be achieved.

The company also has 30 days to pay the proposed fine or to protest it, in whole or in part. If the fine is protested and later imposed, ANPP may request a public hearing.

CONTACT: Greg Cook of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 415-943-3809 (business hours), or 707-644-2428 (non-business hours)

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boeing Co. (NYSE: BA) confirmed today that it is purchasing Broadacres Inc., which is the corporation that owns the 215-acre Longacres Race Course site in Renton.

Boeing intends to develop the property into a campus-style environment that will be aesthetically and environmentally sound.

No determination has been made on what activities will be located at the site according to the company, except that the site will not be used for manufacturing or production operations.

Boeing said the site's close proximity to other Boeing Puget Sound operations as well as Sea-Tac Airport and major highways makes it a desirable location.

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#90270p8962 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors (NYSE: GM) has established two special policy adjustment programs to cover repairs of potential paint flaking on certain 1987- to 1990-model-year vehicles.

GM dealers will perform the necessary inspections and paint repairs at no charge to owners. Subject vehicle owners who may have already paid for repairs of this condition are eligible for reimbursement upon submission of appropriate payment documentation.

Vehicles covered by the first special policy include approximately 230,000 model-year 1987-90 Chevrolet Beretta and Corsica cars painted Sapphire Blue, Medium Sapphire Blue, Silver or Gunmetal Gray.

The second special policy covers some 93,500 model-year 1988-89 Chevrolet S-10 Blazers, S-10 pickups, GMC S-15 Jimmys and S-15 pickups painted Bright Blue, Dark Blue or Gray metallic.

Both policies are good for three years from the date the vehicle was placed in service, regardless of mileage. For owners of 1987-88 vehicles already past the three-year service date, the special policies will be extended an additional 12 months to Sept. 30, 1991.

The paint flaking results in part from ultraviolet light penetrating the topcoat, degrading the base primer and causing a loss of adhesion between the two surfaces. The process originates from using and then "overbaking" a primer with high ultraviolet light sensitivity.

GM dealers will sand and refinish all affected vehicle surfaces exhibiting the flaking condition.

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#90270p8965 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - ARCO (NYSE: ARC) Chairman and Chief Executive Lodwrick M. Cook said today that he fully supports President Bush's decision to sell 5 million barrels from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve.

In addition to increasing crude oil supplies," Cook said, "the President's action will give the Department of Energy valuable experience in drawing down and auctioning off crude oil from the SPR in a non-crisis situation."

CONTACT: Albert Greenstein of ARCO, 213-486-3384.

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#90270p8967 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOCA RATON, FL (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - First Medical International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HUGE) has been awarded U.S. Patent No. 4,952,507 for the Production and Diagnostic Use of Antibodies Against Pancreatic Alpha-Amylase. The announcement was made by Roberto Riva, chief executive officer of First Medical International.

"The primary purpose for this antibody is to detect pancreatitis. Current tests measure pancreatic amylase indirectly. This antibody enables doctors to instantly diagnose whether or not acute abdominal pain experienced by an individual is the result of pancreatitis," said Roberto Riva.

"The potential clinical and commercial importance of these antibodies, particularly in the human and animal immuno-diagnostics areas is substantial," said Roberto Riva. "We will start discussions with potential licensees shortly " he said.

First Medical International (formerly called Humagen) has recently acquired MedTex, a proprietary medical waste disposal company based in Lansing, Mich., as well as the Boca Raton-based Cardio Scan, an established company specializing Holter Monitor EKG and EEG testing.

The company also has the exclusive right to franchise, own and operate Medical Depot Superstores in the U.S.S.R., Mexico, and Panama and a non-exclusive right to franchise, own and operate Medical Depot Superstores anywhere else outside the U.S.

CONTACT: Roberto Riva, chairman and CEO of First Medical International, Inc., (407) 241-6760.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The price of FMC Corporation (NYSE: FMC) stock dropped today following an announcement of management's anticipation of a less optimistic outlook for 1990.

FMC began purchasing its own stock on the open market.

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SHREVEPORT, LA. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - TGX Corporation (NASDAQ: XTGXQ) announced that on Sept. 24, 1990, it filed a Plan of Reorganization in its Chapter 11 proceedings. The Plan as filed provides that common stock equity interests will be retained as they existed prior to the Chapter 11 filing. The Plan also provides for payment in full of the company's secured debt under restructured credit terms and provides for the delivery of a substitute debt instrument to holders of its Senior Subordinated Fixed Rate Notes ("Bonds") and to holders of unsecured claims pursuant to which all of such Bond indebtedness and other unsecured debt will be paid in full over time. Under the Bankruptcy Code, the reorganization plan must be approved by vote of the creditors and by the Bankruptcy Court before it is effective.

J.C. Templeton, the company's chairman said, "The Board of Directors and management of the company have approved the terms of this Plan and believe that it is in the best interests of all of the company's creditors and shareholders. We believe it will permit the maximum and earliest recovery by all creditors, and encourage its approval by all creditor groups."

TGX is a balanced energy company headquartered in Shreveport, La., engaged in the production of oil and gas reserves and in natural gas marketing and transmission. TGX's Common Stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "XTGX".

CONTACT: George McKellar, vice president of stockholder relations at TGX, 318-221-0707

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STAMFORD, CT. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - GTE Corp. (NYSE: GTE) and Contel Corp. (NYSE: CTC) today said they have made all state and federal regulatory filings that the companies believe are necessary to complete the previously announced merger of the two firms.

Both companies have completed filings with the Department of Justice and the Federal Communications Commission. The companies also made all filings that they believe are required by various state public-utilities commissions. Filings have been made in the following 16 states: California, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, Vermont and West Virginia.

GTE subsidiaries operate in 46 states and 41 countries, with combined 1989 revenues and sales of $17.4 billion and net income of $1.4 billion.

Contel Corp., a company with more than $3 billion in revenues and sales, provides a broad range of telecommunications products and services.

CONTACT: Dorea Akers of GTE, 203-965-3188, or after 5 p.m., 203-968-2360, or Brian Farley of Contel, 404-391-8217, or after 5 p.m., 404-872-3321, or in Washington, Julia Spicer of GTE, 202-463-5206

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - ONE of the consumer world's most coveted professional honors was awarded today to Alamo Rent A Car, Inc., for developing the year's "outstanding corporate consumer service training program." The 14th annual nationwide competition, won previously by such blue-chip companies as Quaker Oats, Nissan and Reader's Digest, is sponsored by the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals in Business. Alamo is the largest independently owned and operated car rental company in the U.S.

Alamo President Chuck Platt, on hand from company headquarters in Fort Lauderdale, accepted the Society's first place award "with a great deal of pride on behalf of every one of our 5,000 employees in 35 states and overseas, nearly all of whom deal with the public directly on a daily basis."

The membership of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals, the major national organization of corporate consumer affairs vice presidents, directors and managers, represents most of best-known U.S. companies that market consumer products or services.

Society V.P. Russell E. Schmuhl, manager of international consumer services for the Polaroid Corporation, made the presentation at a luncheon meeting of the organization's 1990 convention which winds up here tomorrow. He praised the auto rental company's winning program for its "success in enhancing Alamo employees' ability to provide quality consumer service."

The award singled out Alamo's current "Best Friends" customer service training program which rigorously re-trained every one of the company's employees from top management on down. The unique effort, supported by a multi-million-dollar budget, was designed to motivate employees to demonstrate the highest levels of courtesy, concern, and friendliness in their dealings with the five million consumers Alamo serves every year. Its implementation required a comprehensive on-going program of training, counseling, instruction and reward mechanisms as well as the introduction of new operating procedures.

The Alamo president added that the comprehensive, mandatory orientation and training program put in place to drive the "Best Friends" program capitalized on the methods and insights of modern psychology in the most "user-friendly" manner. Within months the program had produced significant results, dramatically raising our levels of customer satisfaction.

Multi-national Alamo also operates 27 overseas locations in the United Kingdom through its London-based affiliated company, Guy Salmon Services, Ltd., which specializes in up-scale car rentals.

CONTACT: Liz Clark of Alamo Rent A Car, 305-527-6591.

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HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Bay Cities National Bank's board of directors declared an initial dividend of 10 cents per share to stockholders of record as of Oct. 10, 1990, payable Oct. 25, 1990, according to George W. Schneider, chairman of the board of directors. The dividend was declared at the monthly meeting of the board on Sept. 25, 1990. It is anticipated that dividends will be increased in the future which will provide stockholders with a comfortable return on their investment.

Jim Davis, president, stated that the continued steady growth in profits, core deposits, solid loans and capital accounts have been recognized by Findley Reports which has rated the bank a Premier Performing Bank for the third consecutive year.

Approval has been received from the Comptroller of the Currency for the new San Pedro Regional Office of Bay Cities National Bank, and is expected to open in January 1991.

Bay Cities National Bank is an independent bank organized in 1982 by South Bay business and professional persons to serve the community. Total assets are in excess of $48,000,000.00.

CONTACT: Laura Lifsey of Tanguay Marketing Group, 714-843-6333, for Bay Cities National Bank

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#90270p8987 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOWELL, MA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Courier Corporation (NASDAQ: CRRC) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per share payable Oct. 19, 1990 to stockholders of record as of Oct. 9, 1990. The amount of the dividend is the same as that declared in the previous quarter.

CONTACT: James F. Conway, Jr., chariman, or Robert P. Story, Jr., senior vice president and chief financial officer, of Courier Corp., (508 458-6351.

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#90270p8988 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOSTON (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bank of Boston Corporation (NYSE: BKB) today voted to reduce the quarterly dividend on the corporation's common stock to 10 cents per share from its previous level of 31 cents per share. This newly declared dividend will be paid on Oct. 26, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 9.

Bank of Boston Chairman and CEO Ira Stepanian said, "This action, taken at the company's initiative, is a painful but necessary step to respond to the deepening uncertainty of today's economic environment. Reduction of the

dividend, in conjunction with other strong management actions, will enable us to conserve our strong capital base so that we may continue to confront head-on the significant challenges facing our industry and also take advantage of future market opportunities as they arise."

This lower dividend pay-out, when compared with previous quarters, conserves approximately $43 million in equity annually.

Expects Third Quarter Loss

Stepanian indicated that the corporation expects its results for the third quarter to show an after-tax loss of $200-$250 million. This would result in a loss of $150-$200 million for the first nine months, he said.

The major factors affecting expected third quarter results are: -- An estimated loan loss provision of $150-$200 million; -- Expected net loan charge-offs of approximately $175 million, primarily real-estate related;

-- An anticipated property-by-property valuation write-down in the book value of the company's Other Real Estate Owned (OREO) portfolio in the range of $35 million;

-- A special restructuring charge of $50 million related to an expense reduction program discussed below;

-- Special tax charges of approximately $40 million related to the current inability to utilize foreign tax credits. Problem Loans Decline

Stepanian said that nonperforming assets are expected to show a further quarterly decline of approximately $100 million and should total about $1.850 billion at Sept. 30. This would represent an approximate 7 percent reduction in nonperforming assets from the March 31, 1990, level of $1.981 billion and would be the second consecutive quarter in which nonperforming assets declined.

"The real estate markets and general economic conditions have worsened and are impairing the results of may institutions in our industry, both large and small," Stepanian said. "Aggressive, long-term solutions to address the industry's problems are needed, and we are therefore accelerating our corrective approach so that we can continue to tackle credit quality and drive down our level of nonperforming assets. We are bringing to bear here the same mindset that helped put our LDC debt problem behind us."

Strong Management Actions

Stepanian also announced that Bank of Boston has begun a targeted expense management program aimed at reducing annualized non-interest expense by at least $100 million from its second quarter 1990 level. This goal is to be achieved by the third quarter, 1991. Associated with this is a commitment to

reduce staff by a minimum of 1,500 positions, or 8 percent of worldwide staff, by early 1991, beginning with an immediate Voluntary Separation Program.

Sources of Strength

"We are taking decisive and admittedly painful actions," Stepanian said. "Yet in doing so, we are building upon an already strong foundation. With some $3 billion of total risk-based capital, we expect our Tier 1 and Tier 2 capital ratios, based on the 1992 guidelines, to exceed 5 percent and 9 percent, respectively, both of which are above required regulatory levels. Our nearly $7 billion of liquid assets further solidifies our soundness as a financial institution.

"This financial strength, further enhanced by a lower dividend pay-out, gives us the flexibility to weather the current storm and to pursue profitable opportunities in the future," Stepanian said. "We are maintaining an active presence in the marketplace, expanding our retail operations, and increasing our marketing efforts to indentify good new business relationships.

"The U.S. banking industry today faces a critical period as it continues to adjust to the challenges created by a weakening economy, regulatory pressures and increasing global competitiveness," Stepanian added. "Without question, these are extraordinary times that have required many in our industry to take decisive actions.

"The companies that will survive these times and excel in the future are those that have strong resources -- both people and capital -- and those with the willpower and courage to act decisively. We are confident that we have both," Stepanian concluded.

The Corporation

Bank of Boston Corporation, with assets at June 30 of $37 billion, is a New England-based superregional banking company with both national and international operations. Its major banking subsidiaries are The First National Bank of Boston, with headquarters in Massachusetts; Casco Northern Bank, N.A., in Maine; Bank of Boston Connecticut; Rhode Island Hospital Trust National Bank; and Bank of Vermont. The corporation and its subsidiaries provide a broad range of financial services to individual, corporate, institutional and governmental customers, as well as to other banks. The corporation's common and preferred stocks are listed on the New York and Boston stock exchanges.

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#90270p8991 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PEORIA, IL (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Caterpillar Inc. Chairman Donald V. Fites today in Washington urged "zero tariffs" on all Caterpillar products. "Zero tariffs will make Caterpillar a more competitive company and a more formidable exporter," he said.

"During the next ten weeks, the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) will set the world trading rules for the next ten years. If a zero tariff proposal is part of the final GATT package, negotiators will have taken a big step toward making trade freer and fairer." Fites spoke at a meeting in Washington, D.C., along with U.S. Trade Representative Carla A. Hills, Congressman Robert H. Michel, plus other business and congressional leaders.

Caterpillar has joined with a hundred other U.S. companies and associations to form the Zero Tariff Coalition. The new coalition supports elimination of all tariffs on the products its members manufacture.

With more than half of its $11 billion in 1989 sales outside the United States and with its exports supporting nearly 18,000 U.S. jobs, Caterpillar continues to be a vocal proponent of free trade. Calling tariffs "trade rules of another era," Fites said the trade barriers make it more difficult for Caterpillar to compete in many countries.

"I've found that when you ask a potential European customer who's thinking about buying a Decatur, Illinois-built motor grader to write out a $10,000 tariff check, that customer quickly rethinks his purchase. And that hurts."

Even though Caterpillar might temporarily benefit from tariffs on some products in the United States, Fites said the company enthusiastically endorses zero tariffs for all the products it produces.

"Elimination of tariffs will mean increased opportunities to export and improve profitability. And that will translate into more jobs and a better life for the people of this country," he said.

Caterpillar, headquartered in Peoria, Ill., is the world's largest manufacturer of earthmoving, construction, and materials handling equipment, and a major manufacturer of diesel and natural gas engines and gas turbines.

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#90270p8995 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

AMITYVILLE, NY (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Napco Security Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: NSSC), vice president of finance and administration, Kevin Buchel, announced today the company's results for both sales and earnings for the three months and year ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for the three months ended June 30, 1990, increased 18 percent to $9,727,000 from $8,235,000 for the same period last year. Net income increased by $1,253,000 to $569,000 or $0.13 per share.

Sales for the year ended June 30, 1990 remained relatively flat, at $36,143,000 as compared to $36,669,000 in fiscal 1989. Net income amounted to $2,089,000 or $0.48 per share as compared to $2,257,000 or $0.52 per share for the same period a year ago.

Founded in 1969, Napco Security Systems, Inc. is one of the nation's leading manufacturers of electronic security equipment. The company's products are used in residential, commercial, institutional and industrial installations.

CONTACT: Napco Security Systems corporate communications, (516) 842-9400.

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#90270p9000 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Marriott Corporation (NYSE: MHS) today reported earnings per share from continuing operations of 27 cents for its 1990 third quarter ended Sept. 7, compared to 46 cents a year ago.

Marriott said earnings per share from continuing operations were up 9 percent in the 1990 third quarter excluding the impact of several non-comparable items -- a previously announced charge recorded by the food and services management division in the 1990 quarter, results of airline catering operations divested in December 1989, and a lodging transaction gain in the 1989 third quarter.

The company said net income for the 1990 third quarter was $27 million (27 cents per share), compared to $63 million (56 cents per share) in the year-earlier period which included results of airline catering and discontinued restaurant operations. Sales totaled $1,657,000,000, versus $1,695,000,000 in the 1989 third quarter.

Washington-based Marriott Corporation is a diversified hospitality company involved in lodging and contract services.

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#90270p9001 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASHVILLE, TENN. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied Clinical Labs (NASDAQ: ACLB) today announced that William J. Gedale has been elected to the company's Board of Directors. Mr. Gedale is President of General American Investors Company, Inc., a closed-end investment fund listed on the New York Stock Exchange and headquartered in New York City.

"We are delighted to have Bill Gedale join our Board," commented Haywood Cochrane, President and Chief Executive Officer of Allied. "Through his more than twenty years of experience in finance and money management, Bill has become an expert on the U.S. healthcare industry and has been a long-time follower of the clinical laboratory industry. We look forward to his active participation as a member of Allied's Board of Directors."

Mr. Gedale, 48, who joined General American in 1969 and was appointed its President in March, 1989, has been a Research Analyst specializing most recently in the medical and industrial distribution industries. He assumed additional responsibilities relating to the investment operations of the company in July, 1988, when he was appointed Executive Vice President. Prior thereto, Mr. Gedale served as Senior Vice President (1983-1988), as Vice President (1978-1992), and as Corporate Secretary (1971-1977). He was named a Director in July, 1988. He is a member of the New York Society of Security Analysts and is active in the Health Industry Analysts Group; he is a past President of the Machinery Analysts of New York. A native of New Rochelle, Mr. Gedale resides with his wife and son in White Plains, New York.

Allied Clinical Laboratories owns and operates regionally-based clinical testing laboratories. The Company provides testing services to physicians, hospitals, clinics and other health care providers through a national network of seven regional laboratories (one of which serves as a reference laboratory) and fifty other service sites. Allied Clinical Laboratories completed its initial public offering of common stock on July 31, 1990 and began trading on NASDAQ at that time.

CONTACT: Haywood D. Cochrane, President and Chief Executive Officer, 615-320-2763 or Gerard M. Hayden, Jr., Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, 615-320-2283

-30- 2452

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CAMDEN, NJ (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Campbell Soup Co. (NYSE: CPB) Chief Executive Officer David W. Johnson announced that the company's board of directors today declared a quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the company's capital stock.

The dividend, unchanged from the previous quarter, is payable Oct. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 10.

CONTACT: James H. Moran of Campbell Soup, 609-342-6426

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#90270p9006 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMDEN, NJ (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Campbell Soup Co. (NYSE: CPB) Chief

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The dividend, unchanged from the previous quarter, is payable Oct. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 10.

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#90270p9007 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

STERLING, VA. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Radiation Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: RADS) today announced that it has been awarded two contracts totalling more than $1.9 million.

The Technical Products Division was awarded a contract from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce, for the design, fabrication and turnkey installation of two 12-foot computer controlled satellite command antenna systems for the NOAA Control and Data Acquisition (CDA) facilities located at both Gilmore Creek, Alaska, and Wallops Island, Va. The systems will be used to satisfy 5-Band command functions to the geosynchronous and low polar orbiting weather satellites.

The second contract was awarded to the SatCom Technologies Division by Pittsburgh International Teleport. SatCom will supply two 9-meter earth stations to the teleport. One system will be installed in Germany and leased to the teleport, and the second system will be sold to and installed at the teleport. The antennas will form the communications link which Pittsburgh International Teleport is under contract to lease to the government for a dedicated intercontinental communications link.

Richard E. Thomas, chairman and chief executive officer of Radiation Systems, said: "The NOAA program incorporates standard products from two of our divisions. The Electromechanical Systems Division (EMS) provides servo-driven tracking pedestals, and the Technical Products Division supplies the satellite antennas. The acquisition of EMS has broadened the markets addressed by Radiation Systems, and programs like this NOAA contract provide continued new capabilities by combining our many strengths."

The SatCom contract provides continuing expansion into government communications markets. This market is expected to increase as funds are shifted away from weapons-related programs and diverted to other areas such as communications. SatCom's strong systems capabilities in both ground-based and transportable communications applications position it well for such programs.

Radiation Systems, Inc., designs, manufactures and installs a broad range of

antenna systems for radar, air traffic control, tactical military, satellite earth stations, terrestrial microwave and other specialized uses throughout the world.

CONTACT: Richard E. Thomas, chairman and CEO, or Mark D. Funston, vice president - finance, Radiation Systems, 703-450-5680

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#90270p9013 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Edward L. Rosenberg was elected to vice president-supply and transportation of Crown Central Petroleum Corp. (AMEX: CNP.A), effective Oct. 1, 1990.

He will continue to serve as assistant treasurer of the corporation. In his new position, Rosenberg will be responsible for the acquisition of crude oil and intermediate feedstocks for Crown's two Texas refineries; bulk sales of refined products and the transportation requirements associated with those activities.

Rosenberg will report to James A. King, senior vice president- refining, supply and transportation, and will be located in Crown's Bellaire, Texas, office.

Rosenberg is a graduate of the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. Rosenberg has been with the company for 11 years, and prior to his new position was vice president-corporate development in the company's Baltimore headquarters office.

CONTACT: William R. Snyder, vice president of Crown Central, 301-539-7400.

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#90270p9015 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) today introduced at the Chicago Boat Show a high-performance, 8-cylinder, marine-application engine called the "351 HO."

This engine is the first in a series of high-output, technologically advanced engines Ford plans to offer to the marine industry for sterndrive and inboard engine applications, with Job No. 1 production date scheduled for Dec. 1.

Ford's Power Products Operations, which markets Ford's other marine-application engines, will assume sales and marketing responsibilities for the "351 HO."

To develop the 285 horsepower that the small-block, 5.8L "351 HO" produces, Ford is using a modern adaptation of the "GT 40 cylinder heads" used by Ford

in its racing program during the 1960s and '70s. These cylinder heads were instrumental in helping Ford establish engine performance and durability history at the "24 hours of Le Mans" races.

Ford's testing of the "351 HO" included extensive dynamometer runs to ensure that the performance characteristics required in the marine environment were met and Ford quality standards were maintained.

Ford's in-water testing of the "351 HO" was completed in a 21-inch BAJA Eurosport with a OMC Cobra Sterndrive. Test results showed that the Ford-powered boat was quick to plane and generated lots of power at the top end, achieving a top speed of 55 miles per hour.

The product planning and development of the "351 HO" also included some of the same processes Ford uses to develop and introduce a new vehicle. For example, cross functional teams were used to identify and resolve issues, and Ford used the "Voice of the Customer" approach to receive feedback on its new products.

Some valuable feedback was obtained at this year's Miami Boat Show as the marine industry's senior management was given a "first exposure look" at Ford's new engines and an opportunity to participate in a "Ride and Drive" evaluation of the new products. This "Voice of the Customer" process helped Ford reconfirm its decision to introduce the "351 HO" to the marine industry.

Ford's Windsor (Canada) Engine Plant will be the manufacturing site for the "351 HO." Plans call for Ford to use the same production equipment that is presently used to produce some of Ford's other marine engines, and Ford's 5.8L light truck engine. A number of "351 HO" prototypes have been shipped to engine marinizers for evaluation.

CONTACT: Jim Trainor of Ford, 313-594-2880.

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#90270p9021 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HERSHEY, PA. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - J. Bruce McKinney, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Hershey Entertainment & Resort Co., has announced the election of John B. Zerbe to the post of president and chief operating officer for HERCO.

Zerbe, formerly executive vice president and chief operating officer, was elected to the position by the HERCO board of directors at a meeting yesterday.

In his new capacity, Zerbe will continue to report to McKinney as chairman and chief executive officer.

A Lykens, Pa., native, Zerbe was elected to his former position in October 1988. Previously, he was assistant secretary and director of state marketing

for the state of Maryland's Department of Economic and Employment Development.

Zerbe has enjoyed a long successful relationship with HERCO and other Hershey interests. He held several management positions at Hersheypark & Arena for five years before leaving in 1981 as assistant vice president. Prior to that he served for 11 years as general manager of the Hershey Recreation Center and the Hershey Education & Cultural Center. He was recreation director for Hershey Estates from 1962 to 1965.

McKinney said, "The move to elect Mr. Zerbe as president is all part of HERCO's ongoing strengthening of our operations. John's election to the president's position is in recognition of his many achievements and contributions to our company."

"These are challenging times but our company is strong and we are positioned to manage the future successfully," said Zerbe.

Zerbe and his wife, Mary Jane, live in Hershey. They have three children.

Additional action by the HERCO board was the election of Franklin R. Shearer to vice president of sports and entertainment. Prior to this move, Shearer was assistant vice president, sports and entertainment.

He formerly served the company as assistant vice president-corporate operations. Prior to that he served HERCO as budget director and staff assistant to the president, general manager of Hershey Meats & Commissary and Commercial Group controller.

CONTACT: Susan C. Royer of HERCO, 717-534-3015

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#90270p9022 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Sara Lee Hosiery announced today the planned closing of its LaGrange, Ga. manufacturing plant. The shutdown, which will affect approximately 425 employees, will begin in early October and completed by the end of November.

"This decision was a difficult one for us to make because of the impact it will have on our employees and on the community," said Drew Mayse, vice president of manufacturing for Hanes Hosiery. "The LaGrange plant has an outstanding workforce and is located in a fine community.

"Yet, we are in an extremely competitive market and have to take the actions necessary to keep our operations efficient and cost-effective. These steps are necessary for the long-term future of Sara Lee Hosiery and of our employees."

Because the LaGrange plant does not have knitting capabilities and is 400

miles from material sources, Sara Lee Hosiery began moving production to other facilities, where additional capacity was already available, in May of this year in an effort to become more efficient. After further evaluation, the decision was made to phase out the LaGrange plant. As production is reduced, employees will receive a 60-day notice based on the shutdown of specific operations and shifts.

Since this is a permanent situation, employees will be offered a severance package based on the years of service as well as out-placement assistance.

Sara Lee Hosiery, headquartered in Winston-Salem, N.C., manufactures and markets ladies' hosiery under well-known brand names such as Hanes, Silk Reflections, L'eggs and Underalls.

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REDWOOD CITY, CA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - VeriFone Inc. (NASDAQ: VFIC) today announced that it has received a Class Action Complaint for Violation of the Federal Securities Laws and Pendent State Law Claims. The case has been filed in United States District Court in San Francisco.

The suit alleges violations of the disclosure provision of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. The company believes this suit is without merit and intends to defend itself vigorously against the suit.

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-30- 734

#90270p9027 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MI (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - X-Rite, Incorporated (NASDAQ-NMS: XRIT) today said it has received more than $1 million in orders for its X-Scan densitometer that it introduced in August.

Due to innovative product design, the X-Scan densitometer helps printing companies achieve a high degree of quality control at an affordable price. The X-Scan costs $15,000 each vs. about $40,000 each for comparable instruments offered by competitors.

Grandville, Mich.-based X-Rite said it has received X-Scan orders amounting to more than $1 million since the company held a preview of the instrument for more than 20 major graphic arts distributors in Traverse City, Mich., in August.

Ted Thompson, president and chief executive officer of X-Rite, said the

instrument has gotten an enthusiastic reception at the Graph Expo show being held this week in New York City where it was formally introduced for the first time, but it is too early to tell how many orders will result from the show.

"Customers like the X-Scan because it does everything that more expensive equipment does, but at about one-third the cost," Thompson said. "A company can afford to have an X-Scan at the end of every printing press that runs color."

The X-Scan system consists of an instrument that reads the color bars on a printed sheet and a personal computer that interprets and records the data.

X-Rite expects to fulfill its $1 million backlog of X-Scan orders between late November and early March. By the end of October, the company will complete a 30,000-square-foot expansion of its Grandville facility where the X-Scan will be manufactured along with X-Rite's new line of hand-held spectrophotometers.

Thompson said one customer, a major ink manufacturer that he could not name, recently placed a $1.2 million order for the hand-held spectrophotometers, which have a variety of uses in the field of color measurement. The instrument was introduced in the first quarter of 1990.

X-Rite manufactures products used in graphic arts, photographic, medical, packaging and microfilm industries throughout the world. It manufactures densitometers, sensitometers, colorimeters, shrink packaging equipment, silver recovery equipment and an X-ray marking system.

Shares of X-Rite common stock are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol XRIT.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Sara Lee Corporation (NYSE: SLE) today announced an agreement in principle to acquire The Sans Group, the leading manufacturer and marketer of men's and women's underwear in Spain. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Headquartered in Mataro (Barcelona), Spain, The Sans Group markets branded underwear products under the Abanderado, Princesa, Olimpic and Ocean brands. Sara Lee Corporation manufactures and markets underwear products in the United States and Europe including products marketed under the Hanes, Hanes Her Way and Dim brands.

"We believe S.A. Sans to be the premier underwear and knit products company in

Europe," said M. Weldon Schenck, chairman and chief executive officer of Sara Lee Personal Products, S.A. "It has exceptional management and a highly competitive manufacturing base. The partnership provides both corporations with superior means to accomplish common European objectives."

Sara Lee Corporation is an international food and consumer products company that markets a wide variety of brand-name products including Hanes, Hanes Her Way, L'eggs, Champion, Dim, Kiwi, Sanex, Douwe Egberts, Hillshire Farm, Jimmy Dean and, of course, Sara Lee.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Air Line Pilots Association today petitioned the National Mediation Board to request that the USAir Group's (NYSE: U) four wholly owned regional airlines be declared a "single carrier" under the Railway Labor Act.

An NMB ruling to that effect would combine the 800 pilots at the Henson Airlines, Pennsylvania Commuter, Allegheny Commuter (formerly Suburban), and Jetstream International Airlines into a single labor bargaining unit for purposes of labor relations. (It would not combine them with the larger USAir airline.)

The four regional carriers and USAir are controlled by USAir Group, Inc. The regional airlines provide feeder service to USAir hubs.

"The holding company maintains these four as separate airlines to maximize its bargaining leverage. However, for purposes of labor relations, we think it makes a lot more sense to deal with the pilot work force as one unit under a single labor agreement. The petition isn't a one-sided proposal, either. The company would benefit by the simplified administration of labor issues, elimination of the duplication of effort and resources, and other economies of scale, while it still maintains the separate corporate and marketing identities of the four airlines," said Capt. Henry Duffy, president of ALPA.

"Our problem is that the holding company is using the current arrangement to whipsaw its pilots in each contract negotiation," said Capt. Brian Lynch, chairman of the Henson pilots Master Executive Council. Henson is the largest of the four affected airlines.

"It's difficult for a few hundred pilots to stand up to the combined might of a corporate giant like the USAir Group. That's why the Railway Labor Act allows workers at companies controlled by a single management entity to petition the NMB for recognition as a single bargaining unit. Our petition would go a long way toward restoring some fairness to the bargaining process

at the four carriers," Lynch said.

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PEORIA, ILL. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Caterpillar Inc. Chairman Donald V. Fites today in Washington urged "zero tariffs" on all Caterpillar products. "Zero tariffs will make Caterpillar a more competitive company and a more formidable exporter," he said.

"During the next ten weeks, the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) will set the world trading rules for the next ten years. If a zero tariff proposal is part of the final GATT package, negotiators will have taken a big step toward making trade freer and fairer." Fites spoke at a meeting in Washington, D.C., along with U.S. Trade Representative Carla A. Hills, Congressman Robert H. Michel, plus other business and congressional leaders.

Caterpillar has joined with a hundred other U.S. companies and associations to form the Zero Tariff Coalition. The new coalition supports elimination of all tariffs on the products its members manufacture.

With more than half of its $11 billion in 1989 sales outside the United States and with its exports supporting nearly 18,000 U.S. jobs, Caterpillar continues to be a vocal proponent of free trade. Calling tariffs "trade rules of another era," Fites said the trade barriers make it more difficult for Caterpillar to compete in many countries.

"I've found that when you ask a potential European customer who's thinking about buying a Decatur, Illinois-built motor grader to write out a $10,000 tariff check, that customer quickly rethinks his purchase. And that hurts."

Even though Caterpillar might temporarily benefit from tariffs on some products in the United States, Fites said the company enthusiastically endorses zero tariffs for all the products it produces.

"Elimination of tariffs will mean increased opportunities to export and improve profitability. And that will translate into more jobs and a better life for the people of this country," he said.

Caterpillar, headquartered in Peoria, Ill., is the world's largest manufacturer of earthmoving, construction, and materials handling equipment, and a major manufacturer of diesel and natural gas engines and gas turbines.

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BOULDER, COLO. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Synergen Inc. (NASDAQ: SYGN) announced today the appointment of Paul Hastings as product director and Dr. John Pribble as assistant director of clinical research. Both positions are new and reflect Synergen's commitment to increased clinical testing and future marketing of its human pharmaceutical products.

As product director, Hastings initially will be responsible for evaluating and targeting potential markets for Synergen's pharmaceutical products. He is working directly with the clinical staff in developing strategic business plans that address opportunities associated with commercialization of the company's products.

Hastings was previously senior product promotion manager at Hoffmann-La Roche in Nutley, N.J., where he was responsible for oncology and immunology product management. He held positions there in sales, training and development, and sales management. During his tenure at Roche, Hastings was also involved in the development of the product launch of Roferon-A (Interferon alfa 2a), one of the first recombinant proteins used as a therapeutic, and was later responsible for the marketing and promotional strategies for that agent. More recently, he was involved in the development of marketing strategies for ddC, an antiretroviral agent for the treatment of AIDS and AIDS-related complex. Hastings has a bachelor of science degree in pharmacy from the University of Rhode Island.

As assistant director of clinical research, Dr. Pribble will assist Dr. Michael Catalano, vice president and medical director, in directing human clinical trials of new pharmaceutical products developed by Synergen.

Dr. Pribble was previously a clinical research scientist at Marion Merrill Dow in Kansas City, Mo., where he conducted clinical research in the wound care and cardiovascular therapeutic areas. Dr. Pribble received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Pharmacy from Washington State University, Pullman, Wash., his Doctorate of Clinical Pharmacy from the University of Utah, Salt Lake City and completed a post-doctoral fellowship in emergency medicine/critical care therapeutics at Truman Medical Center, Kansas City.

Synergen currently has two products--IL-1ra for rheumatoid arthritis and TROFAKTM for wound healing--in clinical trials. The company plans to start clinical trials before the end of the year to test its elastase inhibitor (SLPI) in patients with cystic fibrosis and genetic emphysema. In addition, Synergen expects to file an IND prior to the end of 1990 to test IL-1ra as a treatment for septic shock.

Synergen is a biotechnology company developing products to treat inflammatory diseases, vascular disorders and neurological conditions using recombinant DNA technology and the latest advances in molecular and cellular biology.

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PONTIAC, MI. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of First Federal Bancorp, Inc. (FFB) (AMEX: FFS) has elected Richard E. Cavill executive vice president and chief operating officer of its subsidiary, First Federal Savings Bank & Trust (FFSBT), effective immediately.

The announcement was made by Leo D. Ottoni, president and CEO of FFB and FFSBT. FFB is listed on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "FFS." The action is subject to approval by the Office of Thrift Supervision.

"We are delighted that we have been able to persuade Dick Cavill to return," Ottoni said. "Dick Cavill brings more than 30 years of history and strength to our focus on more profitable operations of the bank."

Cavill will remain director, chairman and president of FFB's Florida subsidiary, Citizens Federal Savings Bank (CFSB), where he has been since December of 1989, when he took early retirement from FFB.

He had been with FFSBT and FFB for more than 30 years, beginning in the management training program in 1956.

FFSBT, headquartered in Pontiac, is the fifth-largest thrift institution in Michigan. FFSBT has 27 branches in six southeastern Michigan counties and employs approximately 400 people. CFSB has four branches in Jacksonville, Fla.

Both FFSBT and CFSB are members of the Federal Home Loan Bank System and their deposits are insured up to the applicable limits by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp (FDIC). FFB had total assets of $1.27 billion as of June 30, 1990.

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HARRISBURG, PA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - AMP Inc. (NYSE: AMP) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Harold A. McInnes commented on current results and outlook in a presentation at 4 p.m. today at the Merrill Lynch Connector Industry Conference in New York City.

He indicated results are in line with analyst expectations. Third quarter sales should be in the $740-750 million range -- up about 9 percent from $681

million in the year earlier period -- but down from the record $764 million sales in the first quarter and slightly below the $752 million in the second quarter this year. The decline in sales from the second quarter was less than usual -- and is attributable to weakening in the value of the U.S. dollar and recovery in the Brazilian subsidiary -- which partially offset the normal seasonal summer softness. Third quarter earnings will be 65-70 cents per share -- up slightly from 64 cents per share in both the year earlier period and prior quarter -- but down from 75 cents in the first quarter this year.

The order backlog is expected to increase slightly during the third quarter from $509 million at June 30, 1990.

McInnes stated that for the fourth quarter, analyst estimates of about $775 million sales and about 75 cents earnings per share seemed reasonable. For the entire year, earnings should be about $2.80/share, up about 6 percent from $2.63/share in 1989, on sales growth of about 8-9 percent to over $3 billion from $2.8 billion in 1989. McInnes also indicated that analyst consensus estimates for 1991 of $3-$3.25 earnings per share on 5-10 percent sales growth also appear to be reasonable, assuming no recession in the U.S. and a stable U.S. dollar.

1990 capital expenditures are expected to be a record $350 million -- up from $220 million in 1988 and $252 million in 1989.

McInnes, along with AMP executives William J. Hudson, vice president, Asia/Pacific, and Benjamin Savidge, executive vice president and chief financial officer, commented that the immediate outlook is clouded, but were optimistic that AMP could resume its historic long- term growth and profitability performance during the 1990s.

Along with record capital spending and record spending on research, development and engineering ($270 million), they cited the continuation of the stock buyback program as another indication of confidence in AMP's future. In the last two years, the company has purchased 3.8 million shares of AMP stock under a 4 million authorization by the board of directors. Yesterday the board increased the authorization by 1 million shares.

Harrisburg-based AMP Inc. is the world's leading producer of electrical/electronic connection devices. It has 25,000 employees in nearly 160 facilities in the U.S. and 26 other countries. AMP stock is listed on the New York, Pacific and other regional stock exchanges.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - L. Dale Crandall has been named as the new

managing partner for Price Waterhouse's Southern California practice, it was announced today. The practice includes some 900 professionals who provide accounting and auditing, tax, management consulting, and a broad array of specialty services to the greater Los Angeles area out of six local offices.

In his new position, Crandall, 49, succeeds Abbott L. Brown, who is joining Columbia Pictures as executive vice president and chief financial officer.

"With his 27 years of experience at Price Waterhouse, Dale brings to his new position major, multinational client service, aggressive practice development, and management expertise," said Shaun F. O'Malley, chairman of Price Waterhouse.

Prior to his new appointment, Crandall served as managing partner of Price Waterhouse's San Francisco area offices and managing partner of merger, acquisition, and corporate finance services for the firm's west region. Crandall will assume his new position on Oct. 15.

"Dale has an approach to client service that focuses on helping clients gain competitive advantage and build shareholder value. He will bring proven leadership both to a number of our major clients and our Southern California practice," said Kenneth G. Docter, vice chairman of the firm's west region.

"While we will miss Abbott Brown, we are happy for him and pleased that Price Waterhouse partners are held in such high regard by the business community," Docter said. "We appreciate Abbott's contributions to our Southern California practice during his 25 years with Price Waterhouse, and we wish him continued success in his new endeavors."

Crandall has assisted a number of multinational clients with large acquisitions and divestitures, particularly in the oil and gas, cable television, and retailing industries. He also has directed audit engagements for banking, real estate, petroleum, computer, import/export, commodities trading, manufacturing, and savings and loan clients. Some of his clients have included Chevron, Hewlett-Packard, Raychem, and the Bank of California.

Active in San Francisco area community affairs, Crandall served on the Bay Area United Way's 1990 Campaign Cabinet and has been a longtime supporter of the Boy Scouts of America. He is a member of the board of directors of the Fromm Institute for Lifelong Learning. Crandall also is a member of the American Institute of CPAs and the California Society of Certified Public Accountants.

He is a graduate of Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, Calif., and earned a masters degree in business administration from the University of California at Berkeley.

Price Waterhouse is a leading worldwide professional organization of

accountants and auditors, tax advisers, and management consultants. Through a global network of firms practicing in 420 offices within 103 countries and territories, Price Waterhouse professionals provide advisory services to businesses, individuals, nonprofit organizations, and government entities.

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#90270p9056 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - NYMAGIC, Inc. (NASDAQ: NYMG) today announced that its board of directors had given final approval, after receiving a recommendation from its special committee of outside directors, to the acquisition of Mutual Marine Office, Inc. (MMO) and related affiliates of MMO.

It is anticipated that the transaction will be effective Jan. 1, 1991, if approved by the shareholders of NYMAGIC, Inc. MMO and its affiliates together own approximately 39 percent of outstanding NYMAGIC, Inc. common stock.

The aggregate purchase price would be paid through the issuance of 2,585,000 new shares of NYMAGIC, Inc. common stock, in addition to the approximately 3,300,000 shares of NYMAGIC, Inc. stock already owned by MMO and affiliates.

Although MMO and its affiliates have minimal book value, NYMAGIC, Inc. does not anticipate significant dilution to earnings per share as a result of this transaction.

The result of the acquisition would be to increase the Blackman family ownership interest in NYMAGIC, Inc. from approximately 39 percent to approximately 52 percent.

Alex Brown & Sons acted as the financial adviser to the special committee of outside directors of NYMAGIC, Inc.

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HIGHLAND PARK, MI (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today reported its U.S. assembly plants' schedule for the week of Oct. 1.

Newark (Del.) Assembly Plant will continue to operate two 9-1/2-hour daily shifts next week. Newark will also operate two overtime shifts on Saturday, Sept. 29.

The company reported that its Belvidere (Ill.), Sterling Heights (Mich.), Dodge City/Warren (Mich.) Truck, Toledo (Ohio) and St. Louis II (Fenton, Mo.) assembly plants will operate two eight-hour daily shifts next week. Dodge City/Warren Truck will also operate two overtime shifts on Saturday, Sept. 29.

St. Louis I (Fenton) will operate a single eight-hour daily shift next week.

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#90270p9069 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG GROVE, IL (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Kemper Corporation's (NYSE: KEM) board of directors has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 23 cents per common share payable Nov. 30, 1990 to stockholders of record Nov. 9, 1990.

This is Kemper Corporation's 91st consecutive quarterly cash dividend. Kemper Corporation is a non-operating holding company with major subsidiaries in life insurance, investment services, reinsurance and property-casualty insurance.

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#90270p9075 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

RACINE, WI (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Johnson Worldwide Associates, Inc. (NASDAQ: JWAIA) today announced that it has agreed to acquire certain assets of SEACO/Elliot and continue the business as part of its Marine group. SEACO/Elliot is a manufacturer of commercial life rafts, based in Riviera Beach, Fla. The transaction is expected to close in October. The purchase price was not disclosed.

Terence S. Malone, president and chief executive officer, said, "This addition will give JWA's marine group an opportunity to participate in the growing demand for commercial life rafts as more countries adopt the SOLAS (Safety of Life at Sea) requirements."

Malone continued, "The company's 6 to 25 man commercial life rafts meet the SOLAS requirements and have been approved by the U.S., Canada, USSR and a number of European countries."

Johnson Worldwide Associates, Inc. principal business is in the manufacture and marketing of recreational products including marine, diving, fishing and camping products. The company also manufactures ink related products for office and industrial use.

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#90270p9077 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOSCOW (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Global Natural Resources Inc. (AMEX: GNR), a Houston-based energy company, announced today that it has signed a joint enterprise agreement in the USSR with TATNEFT, an amalgamation (corporation) of the Soviet Union, which operates the oil and gas fields of Tataria, a republic located west of the Ural Mountains on the Volga River. The agreement, which is the culmination of a protocol concluded in the latter half of 1989, was signed in Moscow on Sept. 23 by executives of both companies and filed for registration with the Ministry of Finance on Sept. 27. The joint enterprise is to be named "TATEX."

James G. Niven, chairman of Global, said, "Much hard work has gone into the creation of this joint undertaking and we are proud to be one of the first American companies to sign and file an agreement with an oil and gas amalgamation in the USSR. We are excited about the potential of the enterprise we have established with our Soviet partners and believe that Global's interest in TATEX will have a positive effect on the value of our company."

TATEX will be owned 50 percent by TATNEFT and 50 percent by TEXNEFT, Inc., an 89 percent owned subsidiary of Global. The remaining interest in TEXNEFT, which is an after-payout interest, will be owned by Core Resources, a privately owned company in San Antonio, Texas, which initiated and assisted in the formation of the venture. Another unaffiliated company, which also assisted in the initiation of the venture may qualify, under certain circumstances, to receive an after- payout participation, in which case Global's after-payout interest in TEXNEFT will be 80 percent.

Initially, TATEX will install and operate vapor recovery facilities and compressors to recover evaporated crude oil from the bulk of TATNEFT'S production facilities, which currently handle approximately 800,000 barrels per day of crude oil and exchange the recovered vapor for export crude oil. This activity will substantially reduce hydrogen sulfide emission and other pollutants in Tataria. TEXNEFT will supply the hard currency requirements and technology to the venture and TATNEFT will supply the ruble component and necessary Soviet support. The financial support for the initial phase is currently expected to entail $3,225,000, and an equivalent amount in rubles, prior to the time that he joint venture becomes self sustaining. TATEX will sell its crude oil on the international market for hard currency. When all planned facilities have been installed, a process expected to take up to 30 months, TATEX expects to be exporting approximately 3,500 barrels per day earned in exchange for recovered vapors.

Global Natural Resources Inc. is a Houston-based energy company engaged in the exploration, development, production and transportation of oil and gas in North America and owns an interest in a long-term oil and gas production

sharing contract in Indonesia.

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#90270p9079 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Cadillac Motor Car announced a new retail buyer incentive program on selected 1991 model Broughams delivered from dealer stock beginning Sept. 27. Buyers of Brougham models are eligible for a $1,500 customer rebate. The program is effective through Dec. 12.

Additionally, Cadillac also is offering a $1,500 cash rebate on selected 1990 models including De Ville/Fleetwood, Seville, Eldorado and Brougham.

The cash rebates are direct from the factory and apply to all models except the Allante.

Special SMARTLEASE options are also available to consumers during the program.

"We're completing our 42nd straight year as America's luxury car leader," according to John O. Grettenberger, Cadillac general manager and General Motors vice president. "The response to Cadillac has been exceptional, particularly in light of current economic and world events."

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#90270p9090 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WORCESTER, MA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - BankWorcester Corporation (NASDAQ: BNKW) announced today that it expects to provide approximately $4 million for possible loan losses in the third quarter, which will affect earnings for the quarter.

It also announced that it expects to charge off approximately $5 million of loans. After the provision and charge-offs, the loan loss allowance is expected to be approximately $13 million, or 1.4 percent of loans outstanding, and non-performing assets are expected to be approximately $47 million.

BankWorcester President Harold Cabot said, "Although third quarter figures will not be in hand for a few more weeks, as of now it looks as if the quarter will be approximately break even.

The actions were taken in response to management's continuing review of the bank's loan portfolio, its recognition of further deterioration in the Massachusetts economy and real estate market and the preliminary results of a

recently completed field examination by the FDIC.

Until market conditions improve, there can be no assurance that non-performing assets will not increase further or that declines in collateral values will not necessitate additional increases in the allowance for possible loan losses or charge-offs in the future."

On Feb. 16, 1990, BankWorcester signed a definitive agreement to merge with Citizens Financial Group, subject to a number of significant conditions. One condition is that if the level of non-performing assets plus other certain items (the "specified amount") exceeds $50 million, after all regulatory approvals are received, Citizens may choose not to consummate the merger.

After reported charge-offs, the specified amount is expected to be approximately $66 million at the end of the quarter. It is anticipated that the specified amount will fluctuate from time to time. The point in time at which the specified amount is to be measured is after the receipt of all required regulatory approvals.

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#90270p9094 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - American Savings & Loan Association of Florida (NASDAQ: ASLA) announced today that the regular quarterly cash dividend on its $2.19 Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A next scheduled for payment on Oct. 1, 1990 would be omitted. Holders of the Series A Preferred Stock are reminded of their right to convert their shares to cash at any time for $16.40 per share. Less than 180,000 shares of the Preferred Stock remain outstanding.

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#90270p9100 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - H.B. Fuller Company (NASDAQ: FULL) today reported net sales of $203.1 million for its third quarter ended Aug. 31 1990, an increase of 7 percent over the $189.9 million for the same quarter a year ago. Net earnings were $6.4 million for the quarter, up 68 percent from $3.8 million for the period a year ago. Earnings per share were $.70, up 77 percent from $.40 in third quarter 1989.

The results include a third-quarter tax benefit of $0.1 million, or $.01 per share on the extraordinary charge booked in the first quarter resulting from income generated by the company in Panama during the quarter.

Net sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $589.2 million, up 5 percent from $563.8 million for the same period of 1989. Year-to-date earnings before the extraordinary item totalled $14.1 million, up 33 percent from $10.6 million in the first nine months of 1989. Earnings per share were $1.54, up 38 percent from $1.11 in 1989. Including the extraordinary item, earnings per share were $1.42 year-to-date.

Overall, International operations achieved a moderate increase in sales and operating income in the third quarter compared with the same three months in 1989.

European operations recorded a significant increase in sales, largely as a result of a weakening U.S. dollar. Operating income substantially increased for the quarter compared with the same period in 1989. Gross margins from European operations have improved over the quarter and year-to-date margins of the prior year.

Third quarter sales from Latin American operations were moderately above those of third quarter 1989 and operating income equalled the 1989 level. Negative impact from currency changes were less than the losses from the same period a year ago. Sales from Asia/Pacific and Canada operations were approximately even with those of the previous year's quarter and nine months.

U.S. sales for the quarter and year-to-date were up moderately from the sales of the same periods a year ago. Operating income was up substantially due to aggressive cost control measures and an improvement in gross margins.

ASC Division sales for the quarter were up moderately from the previous years with nine month sales approximating the previous year-to-date numbers. Operating income was up substantially for the quarter and significantly for the nine month period because of continued attention to cost and census control and an improvement in gross margins.

Gross margins as a percent of ASC sales were equal to the margins generated in the second quarter of 1990 and above those generated in the third quarter of 1989. Limited growth of the U.S. economy has hindered growth of the Division's core businesses. The automotive industry continues to operate at levels below earlier projections and so continues to adversely affect Fuller sales to that industry.

The U.S. Specialty Divisions and Subsidiaries as a whole recorded a moderate sales increase and substantial operating income growth for the quarter, primarily due to improved gross margins. Gross margins, as a percent of sales, were up for the third quarter and year-to-date compared to the same periods last year.

Sales and earnings were strong in the Industrial Coatings division. TEC

Incorporated, Linear Products, and Monarch produced operating earnings exceeding last year by tight cost controls and a moderate sales increase. Foster Products Corporation sales continued to lag due to a slowing construction market.

The effective tax rate for the third quarter is 40.3 percent and 42.5 percent year-to-date, down 11.1 percent and 5.0 percent to the comparable periods in 1989. The related positive earnings effect for the third quarter and year-to-date are $.13 and $.14 per share, respectively. The primary reasons for the decrease in the effective tax rate are a higher proportion of U.S. earnings projected for 1990 and various programs to reduce taxes.

H.B. Fuller Company is a worldwide manufacturer and marketer of specialty chemical products, including adhesives, sealants, coatings, paints, waxes and sanitation chemicals, with Fiscal 1989 sales of $753 million.

H.B. FULLER COMPANY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Unaudited)

Three Months Ended:	8/31/90	8/31/89
Net sales	$203,053,000	$189,868,000
Operating earnings	14,207,000	12,119,000
Interest expense	(3,363,000)	(3,403,000)
Other (deduction), net	(111,000)	(618,000)
Earnings before income taxes and minority interests	10,733,000	8,098,000
Income taxes	(4,321,000)	(4,158,000)
Net earnings of consolidated subsidiaries applicable to minority interests	(153,000)	(142,000)
Earnings before extraordinary item	6,259,000	3,798,000
Extraordinary item	138,000	--
Net earnings	$6,397,000	$3,798,000
Earnings per common share:		
Before extraordinary item	$.69	$.40
Extraordinary item	.01	--
Net earnings	$.70	$.40
Dividends per common share	$.15	$.145
Average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	9,128,953	9,588,257

	8/31/90	8/31/89
Working capital	$97,997,000	$83,284,000
Total assets	480,466,000	449,633,000
Long-term debt	97,265,000	85,315,000
Stockholders' equity	$188,570,000	$184,570,000

Nine Months Ended:	8/31/90	8/31/89
Net sales	$589,248,000	$563,752,000
Operating earnings	37,888,000	32,842,000

Interest expense	(10,751,000)	(10,393,000)
Other (deduction), net	(1,650,000)	(1,341,000)
Earnings before income taxes and minority interests	25,487,000	21,108,000
Income taxes	(10,833,000)	(10,023,000)
Net earnings of consolidated subsidiaries applicable to minority interests	(515,000)	(465,000)
Earnings before extraordinary item	14,139,000	10,620,000
Extraordinary item	(1,062,000)	--
Net earnings	$13,077,000	$10,620,000
Earnings per common share:		
Before extraordinary item	$1.54	$1.11
Extraordinary item	(.12)	--
Net earnings	$1.42	$1.11
Dividends per common share	$.445	$.43
Average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	9,219,567	9,581,334

CONTACT: Richard Edwards, investor relations, (612) 647-3650, or Bill Belknap, media relations, (612) 647-3604, both of H.B. Fuller.

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PLEASANTVILLE, N.J. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlantic Electric today filed a petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU) for a base rate increase.

If approved, the company's request would increase net annual revenues by $112.989 million.

The petition also requests that the provisional base rate increase of $41.6 million, effective June 20, 1990, be placed permanently in rates. The June 20, 1990, base rate increase was offset by a $35.8 million decrease in Levelized Energy Adjustment Clause (LEAC) revenues. The provisional base rate increase partially covers the costs of a four- year capacity and energy purchase contract between Atlantic Electric and Philadelphia Electric (NYSE: PE). This power contract begins on June 1, 1990.

The company cited significant increases in capital investments and operating costs since its last request for base rate increases, filed in 1985, as the reason for the request. During this five-year period, the company has worked to maintain stable rates for its customers. The additional investments and operating costs are needed in part because customers are generally using more electricity. In 1990, on the hottest day of the year, customers used 22 percent more electricity than in 1985. The increase in demand was accompanied by growth in the company's customer base. Since 1985 the company

has added more than 58,000 customers to its system.

To maintain reliable electrical service over the last five years for all customers, Atlantic Electric invested more than $400 million in plant and equipment. Much of this new investment went toward expanding generating and transmission capabilities. The company has also experienced general increases in the costs of materials, equipment and labor. Based on current financial market conditions, the company also requested that the annual rate of return it may earn on its investments in facilities needed to serve its customers be reduced from 11.42 percent to 11.13 percent.

If approved by the BPU, the request will increase annual revenues by approximately 15 percent. Monthly residential bills will increase 13.3 percent-17.9 percent. The exact amount that a customer's residential bill will change depends on the amount of electricity consumed.

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NEW YORK, (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Amerada Hess Corporation (NYSE: AHC) today announced that its Canadian subsidiary, Amerada Minerals Corporation of Canada Ltd., has completed the acquisition of approximately 80 percent of the oil and gas producing properties and 250,000 net exploration acres owned by Placer Cego Petroleum Holdings Limited, a subsidiary of Placer Dome Inc. (NYSE: PDG). The properties are located principally in Alberta and British Columbia. The cost of the acquisition was approximately $215 million.

The properties being acquired by Amerada Minerals include proved and probable reserves of 201.4 billion cubic feet of natural gas and 6.9 million barrels of crude oil and natural gas liquids. The properties currently produce approximately 32,000 mcf of natural gas per day and 3,200 barrels of crude oil and natural gas liquids per day. Natural gas production from these properties is expected to reach 50,000 mcf per day in 1992, at which time total natural gas production capacity for Amerada minerals is expected to exceed 150,000 mcf per day. Crude oil and natural gas liquids production for Amerada minerals in 1992 is projected at 14,000 barrels per day.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Marriott Hotels, Resorts and Suites today announced that it will manage the Halloran House Hotel in New York City. The 665-room hotel will be renamed the New York Marriott East Side Hotel. It is

owned by 525 Lexington Avenue Associates, a commercial real estate firm based in New York.

"Marriott is delighted to include this quality hotel in our portfolio of lodging products in the New York metropolitan area," said William R. Tiefel, president, Marriott Hotels, Resorts and Suites.

"The New York Marriott East Side Hotel complements and strengthens Marriott's presence in New York City and offers travelers a great lodging facility in an outstanding location. In addition, we will pursue other hotel conversion opportunities in markets which have long term growth potential," Tiefel said.

In Manhattan, Marriott also operates the New York Marriott Marquis and will open the New York Marriott Financial Center Hotel in January 1991. The New York Marriott East Side is the second major competitive hotel to be converted to a Marriott in the past three months. The company acquired the Westin Lennox Hotel in Atlanta in May.

"The attractiveness of the Marriott operating system, marketing programs and guest satisfaction levels will augment the appeal of one of New York's great hotels," said Morris Bailey, managing partner of 525 Lexington Avenue Associates. "We are pleased to have Marriott managing our hotel," Bailey said.

The New York Marriott East Side Hotel is located on Manhattan's East Side at the intersection of Lexington Avenue and 49th Street. It is just six blocks from Grand Central Station and close to Chemical Bank, IBM, Bristol-Myers, Citicorp, AT&T and other Fortune 500 companies.

Meeting and banquet facilities include a 3,775-square-foot ballroom, which is divisible into four sections. Six additional meeting rooms bring the total available meeting and banquet space to 12,815 square feet.

For dining and entertainment, the New York Marriott East Side Hotel features a 140-seat specialty restaurant, a 150-seat casual restaurant, and a lobby bar. The hotel also includes a concierge lounge, gift shop, and 24-hour room service.

Anton Najjar, formerly general manager of the Charleston Marriott in South Carolina and a 12-year Marriott veteran, has been named general manager of the hotel. Reservations are being accepted through Marriott's toll-free number, 800-228-9290, or by calling the hotel directly at 212-755-4000.

CONTACT: Nick Hill of Marriott Hotels, Resorts and Suites, (301) 380-1340.

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LOUISVILLE, KY. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Louisville Gas & Electric Company

(LG&G) (NYSE: LOU) and Illinois Municipal Electric Agency (IMEA) today announced an agreement for IMEA to purchase 50 megawatts of the Trimble County electric generating station's capacity. This sale is the result of LG&E's aggressive marketing efforts to sell capacity available from its new 495-megawatt plant, 125 megawatts of which were excluded from rates following an agreement with the Publc Service Commission of Kentucky last year.

IMEA is a non-profit, consumer-owned agency based in Springfield, Illinois. The agency is made up of 30 municipalities that own and operate their own electric systems. IMEA pools the members' electrical generating capacity and purchases additional power as necessary to meet the group's needs.

"IMEA and its members are pleased to be associated with LG&E," says Frank Madonia, IMEA's general manager. "The Company has been a leader in the environmental field for many years, and the Trimble County plant follows that tradition. In fact, the plant's state-of-the-art sulfur dioxide removal system will reduce emissions 30 percent below the standards in the proposed clean air legislation."

The Trimble County plant is expected to be in full commercial operation by the end of this year, and IMEA's member agencies will begin to take power from the plant on January 1, 1991. The terms and conditions of the sale will not be released at this time.

Negotiations are continuing with utilities from various regions for the sale of the remaining 75 megawatts of Trimble County's available capacity.

Plant Reaches Milestone Toward Commercial Operation A key milestone to the commercial operation of the Trimble County Plant was reached on September 25 when the plant was being tested and briefly produced electricity, which was transmitted to the LG&E system. The plant will undergo extensive additional testing before beginning full commercial operation.

CONTACT: Trish Burke of Louisville Gas and Electric Company, 502-627-2501, or Phillip "Doc" Mueller of Illinois Municipal Electric Agency, 217-789-4632

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#90270p9108 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - American National Can (ANC), the world's largest can manufacturer, today announced that it will invest over $50 million to build a 250,000-square-foot two-piece beverage can making plant in Dunkerque, France. The new facility will help meet the growing demand for metal beverage containers in the European market, which is expanding at a double-digit annual growth rate.

The state-of-the-art facility, which will be operational during the first half of 1991, will manufacture 1.2 billion cans annually and is the company's first

beverage can plant in France. The Dunkerque facility, which will be built close to a major Coca-Cola filling plant, will serve a variety of customers in France, Holland and Belgium.

"This capacity expansion demonstrates our commitment to provide customers throughout the world with the service and high-quality packaging products they require," said Jean-Pierre Ergas, chief executive officer, at the company's executive office in Chicago. "Over the last five years, ANC has spent more than $1.3 billion for expansion, upgrade and technological advancement in our equipment and facilities."

ANC will spend $277 million for capital projects in 1990, $226 million in the United States and $51 million in Europe.

The plant, which will employ approximately 125 people, will be ANC's 11th in Europe and the second new operation in France.

American National Can Company is a $4.3 billion packaging manufacturer, producing a wide spectrum of metal, glass and plastic packaging products. It operates more than 100 facilities in 13 countries.

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#90270p9109 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - RF&P Corporation's (NASDAQ: RFPC) board of directors today appointed two additional members to the board and established a Special Committee to evaluate a previously announced proposal by the Virginia Retirement System (VRS) and CSX Corporation (NYSE: CSX).

The new RF&P Corporation board members are John W. Rosenblum, dean of The Darden Graduate School of Business Adminstration at the University of Virginia and Edward Villanueva, a financial advisor, former acting president and chief financial officer of Richfood Holdings, Inc., and former chief financial officer of Circuit City Stores, Inc.

Rosenblum, Villanueva and RF&P Corporation board member C. Coleman McGehee, retired chairman of Sovran Bank, N.A., were also appointed as members of the Special Committee. McGehee will serve as chairman of the Special Committee.

On September 14, 1990, the VRS announced that it had proposed to CSX a transaction by which CSX would acquire RF&P's railroad operations in exchange for a portion of its RF&P shares, and the VRS would acquire CSX's remaining shares, in both cases for $35 per share. In addition, the VRS/CSX proposal includes a self-tender by RF&P for a portion of its shares not held by CSX or VRS at $35 per share in cash.

The Committee will study the overall fairness to shareholders of the proposed agreement. They also are authorized to meet with the appropriate representatives of CSX and VRS to negotiate the terms of a proposed sale agreement, placing special emphasis on protecting the interests of minority shareholders of RF&P Corporation and the welfare of employees of the Corporation and its subsidiaries.

Rosenblum has served as dean of The Darden Graduate School of Business Adminstration since 1983. He previously served there as acting dean and professor. He is a member of the board of directors of Chesapeake Corporation and Cadmus Communications Corporation.

Villanueva served as chief financial officer of Circuit City Stores, Inc. from 1967-1987 following eight years as a certified public accountant for S.D. Leidesdorf & Co., in New York City. In 1990 he served for eight months as acting president and chief financial officer of Richfood Holdings, Inc. He is a member of the board of directors of Circuit City Stores, Inc. and Richfood Holdings, Inc.

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MONTVALE, N.J. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - For the 11th straight year, design engineers have chosen Mercedes-Benz as their "dream car."

In its annual survey of the car buying intentions and automotive engineering opinions of its 170,000 subscribers, Design News magazine found Mercedes was the clear winner in the dream car category, as it has been every year since 1980, when the first survey was taken. The survey results are included in the magazine's Oct. 1 issue.

Over those 11 years, Mercedes-Benz introduced a number of innovative design features and new models that demonstrated engineering leadership. Some examples, and the years they were introduced, include:

1980 -- The S-Class line of large sedans, which are still contemporary today, and a range of all-aluminum V8 engines;

1983 -- The SRS supplemental restraint system that includes driver- side air bag and knee bolster plus emergency tensioning retractors for the front seat belts, as well as debut of the 190 series of sports sedans that pioneered the Mercedes five-link rear suspension system;

1984 -- The introduction of ABS anti-lock braking, a Mercedes-Bosch development, to North America, the making of emergency tensioning seat belt

retractors standard in all but one model, and the first production offering of trap-oxidizer diesel emission control technology;

1985 -- SRS, with driver-side air bag, standard in all models, and the introduction of the Mercedes 300 series of mid-size cars;

1988 -- Full-front air bag systems offered as standard or optional equipment in all but one model, ABS standard in all U.S. models;

1989 -- The new 300SL and 500SL, with variable intake camshaft timing, automatic rollover bar, automatic soft top and integral seat/seat-belt design; the 4Matic computer-controlled four-wheel drive system for the 300E sedan and 300TE station wagon; and new clean, quiet and efficient turbocharged diesel engine technology offered in two models;

1990 -- ASD automatic locking differential and ASR automatic slip control traction systems available in all models, ADS adaptive damping suspension offered in the two SL models.

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-30- 2419

#90270p9124 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Bankruptcy Court Judge overseeing Federated Department Store's bankruptcy proceedings today approved the lease agreement between Federated's Bloomingdale's subsidiary and Mall of America. Bloomingdale's will join Macy's, Nordstrom and Sears as major anchors of the 4.2 million square foot combination retail and entertainment complex under construction in Bloomington, Minn.

Arthur W. Spellmeyer, senior vice president of development for Melvin Simon & Associates, developer of Mall of America, said, "While we have expected all along that the judge would rule in favor of granting Bloomingdale's their lease, we are very pleased to have the decision finalized and are ready to proceed with further plans for the Bloomingdale's store."

Bloomingdale's will open a 210,000 square foot, three-level store in the southeast corner of the Mall of America project.

Joe Talentino, vice president, director of construction for Simon, said, "Mall of America will serve as construction manager for Bloomingdale's and will begin construction on the store in six weeks."

Construction on the mall portion of the project and on the Knott's Camp Snoopy theme park is on schedule and developers anticipate that work will begin on Macy's and Nordstrom in October.

Mall of America is scheduled to open in the fall of 1992.

CONTACT: Maureen Hooley, 317-636-1600 or Billie Scott, 317-263-7148, both of Mall of America

-30- 1642

#90270p9130 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, OR. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The shareholders of Oregon Steel Mills Inc. (NYSE: OS) today approved an amendment to the company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation which increased the authorized number of shares of common stock from 14 million to 30 million.

With the approval of the increase in authorized shares the company will proceed with the previously approved two-for-one stock split to be paid on Oct. 11 to shareholders of record on Sept. 27.

Oregon Steel is a producer of steel plate and large-diameter steel pipe with facilities in Portland, Ore., Napa, Calif., and Fontana, Calif.

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-30- 845

#90270p9139 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLEASANTVILLE, N.J. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlantic City Electric Co. (ACE) filed a petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU) seeking an annual increase in base rate revenues of $112.989 million.

The increase in base revenues is designed to recover the costs of providing service for a test year ending May 31, 1991. ACE has requested that the increase become effective on Oct. 28, 1990, but no later than July 1, 1991, the end of the suspension period. If granted, ACE's annual revenues would increase by approximately 15 percent.

The requested increase reflects rate base additions and changes in operating expenses since ACE's last general base rate case, which was filed in April 1985. In its filing, ACE requested that a $41.6 million provisional base rate revenue increase granted by the BPU effective June 20, 1990, be confirmed and continued in permanent rates. That provisional increase covered a portion of the first-year revenue requirements associated with ACE's four-year purchase of 200 megawatts of capacity and associated energy from Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE).

The first-year revenue requirements are estimated to total about $53 million. ACE has requested recovery of the first-year shortfall (the amount not covered by the provisional increase), plus full recovery of the costs for the remaining three years of the PE arrangement.

The major components of the requested increase reflect additions to rate base and changes in operating expenses, driven largely by growth in the demand for electricity experienced in southern New Jersey. Between 1985 and 1990, peak electrical demand has risen 22 percent and more than 58,000 new customers have been connected to ACE's system. In this filing ACE is seeking to increase its net rate base by an additional $400 million. This increase in rate base includes the costs of two combustion turbine generating units, and two 230 kv transmission lines built to strengthen service reliability to ACE's customers, and to provide connection to ACE's system for expected cogeneration projects. ACE has also incorporated in its request certain items affecting test year operating expense and operating income such as increased nuclear plant decommissioning expenses and adjustments for changes in federal and state taxes.

In testimony filed by its witnesses, ACE noted an increasing level of construction expenditures over the next several years, and the need for a large financing program. Internal generation of funds to meet those construction requirements will be affected by a lower rate of growth in energy sales, due to moderating economic conditions in the service area, and the loss of sales to several large customers who will be installing cogeneration facilities. The requested rate increase is intended to improve the expected level of cash generation and support the credit quality of the utility.

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#90270p9140 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Student Loan Marketing Association (Sallie Mae) (NYSE: SLM) today announced an applicable dividend rate of 5.00 percent per annum on its Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A, for the period Oct. 1, 1990 through Dec. 31, 1990.

At June 30, 1990, Sallie Mae had 4,277,650 shares of such stock outstanding. Dividends are computed quarterly, at 4.50 percentage points below the highest yield on certain long-term and short-term U.S. Treasury obligations, but they are never less than 5.00 percent nor more than 14.00 percent per annum.

Sallie Mae, a federally chartered, stockholder-owned corporation, is the major financial intermediary serving the education finance market. By buying insured student loans and providing other financial services to financial and educational institutions, Sallie Mae replenishes local supplies of student credit. The corporation owns nearly 30 percent of all guaranteed student loans outstanding today.

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#90270p9149 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Western Co. of North America (Western) (NYSE: WSN) announced that a registration statement was filed today with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Western Oceanic Inc. (Oceanic), a newly formed company to which Western intends to transfer its offshore contract drilling business for an initial public offering of six million shares of common stock. Of such shares, two million will be offered by Oceanic and four million by Western, leaving Western with ownership of approximately 67 percent of Oceanic. In addition, Oceanic and Western have granted the underwriters options to purchase up to 600,000 and 300,000 shares, respectively, to cover overallotments.

The offering of the common stock will only be made by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933.

The Western Company of North America provides pressure pumping services which include cementing, fracturing and acidizing, and offshore drilling internationally. Western's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange. Symbol - WSN.

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#90270p9153 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - TRISM, Inc. ("TRISM") has reaffirmed its merger offer for Builders Transport, Incorporated ("Builders") (NASDAQ: TRUK) to the newly elected board. TRISM has received financing proposals adequate to complete the merger offer for Builders. The offer to the Builders shareholders is $9 per common share in cash, $4 per common share in 12 year, 12 percent cumulative preferred stock with a current pay, and 1/5 of a new common share in the successor corporation. The preferred stock and the new common stock will be registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission, so that they will be free to trade. A listing on a national stock exchange will be sought when the listing requirements are satisfied.

TRISM has submitted a merger agreement to Builders, which will allow time for TRISM and its lenders to do a confirming due diligence. TRISM has requested a prompt response from the newly elected board.

CONTACT: Edward A. Vrooman, of Olwine, Connelly, Chase, O'Donnell & Weyher, 212-207-1824, for TRISM

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#90270p9162 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILAN, ITALY (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Montedison S.p.A. (NYSE: MNT) met today to review the company's first half results. These results did not decrease significantly from first half 1989 results, despite the slowdown in the chemical sector, partly due to the impact of transactions to restructure the business portfolio.

Raul Gardini, chairman of Montedison, reminded the board during the meeting that once the merger of Montedison with Ferruzzi Agricola Finanziaria is completed, a capital increase of up to 2,500 billion lire is foreseen as part of the company rationalization and development plan.

Ferruzzi Finanziaria and the Ferruzzi family have already given their consent to these transactions, which will permit the company to meet possible commitments related to the acquisition of Enimont and to the general development of the company.

Consolidated Results

The Montedison Group reported consolidated net income of 225 billion lire for the first half of 1990, versus 275 billion lire for the corresponding period in 1989 excluding the extraordinary impact of the Enimont transaction.

The operating results were affected by the less favorable market conditions in certain parts of the chemical sector and by increased competition in the pharmaceutical market, particularly in the areas of anti-cancer products and intermediates.

Those problems were reflected, for the most part, in the form of lower selling prices, whose impact on revenues was magnified in some instances by the weakness of the major currencies against the lire.

The group's first half-year sales revenues from directly managed businesses were 2,673 billion lire, down 7 percent on a comparable basis from the first half of 1989.

Operating income was affected as well, despite the positive performance of the energy sector. Operating income before depreciation and amortization was 436 billion lire for the period, a reduction of 22 percent from first half 1989 on a comparable basis.

Enimont had reduced sales revenues and operating margins as a result of the downturn in market conditions.

Overall, Enimont reported considerably lower net income for the first six months of 1990 than for the first half of 1989. This resulted in a

significant reduction in Montedison's share of earnings from Enimont which is carried as an investment under the net equity method.

On the other hand, in addition to lower tax charges, Montedison reported significant other income deriving from divestitures of activities or shareholdings in sectors considered non-strategic for the group.

These transactions were made under a policy of rationalization of the business portfolio designed to focus resources on areas of expected growth.

Parent Company Results
Montedison S.p.A., the parent company of the group, reported net income of 304 billion lire for the first half of 1990 versus 98 billion lire for the same period last year. This significant increase is attributable to higher gains on the sale of shareholdings and to the higher dividend income resulting from the financial restructuring of Erbamont which was part of the tender offer operation to attain full control of the company.

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David Kronfeld of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Ferruzzi

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#90270p9172 09/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
GREENFIELD, MA. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Bank of Western Massachusetts and West Mass Bankshares Inc. (NASDAQ: WMBS) have executed a non-binding letter of intent whereby The Bank of Western Massachusetts proposes to acquire West Mass Bankshares Inc., including its sole bank subsidiary, United Savings Bank.

United Savings Bank is a Massachusetts stock savings bank with six full service offices located in Franklin and Hampshire Counties and total assets of $191,000,000 as of June 30, 1990.

The Bank of Western Massachusetts is a Massachusetts chartered trust company with offices in Springfield and Holyoke, Mass. As of June 30, 1990, The Bank of Western Massachusetts had total assets of $143,000,000.

The proposed acquisition would be accomplished through a holding company to be formed by The Bank of Western Massachusetts which would acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of West Mass Bankshares Inc. at a price equal to 100 percent of West Mass Bankshares Inc. adjusted book value.

Pursuant to the letter of intent, the acquisition agreement will set forth the agreed upon adjusted book value, which shall be no greater than $11.42/share or less than $10.34/share with the purchase price being paid in a combination of cash and stock of the new holding company to be formed. The transaction is subject to the execution of a definitive agreement and to shareholder approval

of both banks and regulatory approval of both the formation of the holding company and the transaction itself.

In making the joint announcement, Frank P. Fitzgerald, chairman of the board and Timothy P. Crimmins, Jr., president of the Bank of Western Massachusetts and Francis L. Lemay, president and chief executive officer of West Mass Bankshares Inc. cited "the complimentary nature of the products and services provided by the banks and the geographic bank network which would be created" as the most compelling reasons for the combination of the two banks.

They further pointed out that although the form of the proposed transaction is an acquisition, it is being viewed as a consolidation of two locally managed successful banks. The banks will continue to operate independently with no major changes in management or personnel.

CONTACT: Frank P. Fitzgerald of Bank of Western Massachusetts, 413-781-0560; or Francis L. Lemay of West Mass Bankshares Inc., 413-774-3713

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 27) TASS - FOLLOWS A STATEMENT BY THE SOVIET CHIEF DEPARTMENT FOR STATE CUSTOMS CONTROL:

"ON SEPTEMBER 26, OFFICERS OF THE LITHUANIAN REPUBLICAN CUSTOMS SERVICE THWARTED AN ATTEMPT TO SMUGGLE AN ESPECIALLY LARGE AMOUNT OF CONTRABAND.

A TOTAL OF 590,000 ROUBLES, 15,000 U.S. DOLLARS, 22 PAINTINGS, SOME OF WHICH IT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BELONG TO THE HERMITAGE, 15 ANCIENT RUSSIAN ICONS, A COLLECTION OF EXTREMELY VALUABLE COINS AND GOLD AND SILVER ITEMS WERE DISCOVERED WITH A WORKER OF A JOINT VENTURE HEADING FOR THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, WHEN CROSSING THE SOVIET STATE BORDER.

THE ESTIMATED VALUE OF THE HAUL IS MORE THAN ONE MILLION ROUBLES.

MATERIALS ON THE CONTRABAND HAVE BEEN FORWARDED TO THE REPUBLIC'S PROSECUTOR'S BODIES FOR INVESTIGATION."

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#90270t2400 09/27/1990 ~ts

HARARE (SEPTEMBER 27) TASS - SOUTH AFRICA HAS HALTED ALL TRADE WITH IRAQ, INCLUDING ARMS SALES, SOUTH AFRICAN FOREIGN MINISTER PIK BOTHA SAID ON WEDNESDAY.

SPEAKING TO REPORTERS IN JOHANNESBURG AFTER HIS RETURN FROM THE UNITED STATES, BOTHA SAID THAT ALL MINISTRIES AND THE RESERVE BANK WERE GIVEN ORDERS TO STRICTLY ABIDE BY THE EMBARGO.

BOTHA NOTED THAT THE BAN CONCERNS ARMS SUPPLIES TO IRAQ BY ARMCOR, A SOUTH AFRICAN CORPORATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND PRODUCTION OF WEAPONS, WHICH, THE WESTERN PRESS SUGGESTS, WERE DELIVERED SECRETLY IN EXCHANGE FOR IRAQI OIL.

REPORTS FROM GULF COUNTRIES NOTE THAT IRAQI TROOPS IN KUWAIT ARE ARMED WITH LONG-RANGE G-5 GUNS MANUFACTURED BY ARMCOR FACTORIES.

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#90270t2401 09/27/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPTEMBER 27) TASS - SWEDISH DEFENSE MINISTER ROINE CARLSSON, ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION, TODAY LEFT MOSCOW FOR A TRIP AROUND THE COUNTRY.

CARLSSON WAS SEEN OFF AT THE AIRPORT BY SOVIET DEFENSE MINISTER DMITRY YAZOV AND OTHER OFFICIALS.

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#90270t2402 09/27/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPTEMBER 27) TASS - CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR FROM THE DUTCH EAST-WEST CHRISTIAN AID SOCIETY HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO THE RED CROSS OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, PRAVDA REPORTS TODAY.

THE GIFT WAS COLLECTED BY VOLUNTEERS FROM THIS INFLUENTIAL MASS ORGANISATION FOR REFUGEES UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF THE RUSSIAN RED CROSS.

THE MOSCOW OFFICE OF THE WEST GERMAN ARD TV COMPANY HAS ALSO HANDED OVER FOOD AID VIA THE RUSSIAN RED CROSS.

ACCORDING TO THE WISHES OF THE ARD STAFF MEMBERS, THIS CARGO WAS SENT TO REFUGEES IN MOSCOW, TVER, KALUGA, SMOLENSK AND YAROSLAVL REGIONS OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION.

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#90270t2403 09/27/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (SEPTEMBER 27) TASS - PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV MET LATVIAN PRIME MINISTER IVARS GODMANIS IN THE KREMLIN ON WEDNESDAY. THEIR 90-MINUTE MEETING WAS ATTENDED BY LATVIAN FIRST DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER ILMARS BISERS AND PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LATVIAN GOVERNMENT IN MOSCOW JANIS PETERS.

GORBACHEV CALLED FOR "FURTHER POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN REPUBLICS IN A UNION OF SOVEREIGN STATES, WHICH WOULD PROVIDE FOR REPUBLICS' MAXIMUM INDEPENDENCE IN TACKLING INTERNAL ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AND CONDUCTING FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS", A REPORT ISSUED BY THE LATVIAN MISSION IN MOSCOW TODAY SAYS.

GODMANIS SAID THAT THE "COMPLETE RESTORATION OF THE POLITICAL SOVEREIGNTY OF THE LATVIAN REPUBLIC IS A MANDATRY PREREQUISITE FOR MOVEMENT TOWARDS ANY FORM$OF ECONOMIC OR POLITICAL ASSOCIATION".

THE LATVIAN REPUBLIC STANDS FOR THE PRESERVATION AND DEEPENING OF ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL TIES WITH OTHER REPUBLICS, HE SAID.

THE PRIME MINISTER POINTED TO THE NEED TO DEVELOP THESE TIES BY CONCLUDING INTERSTATE AGREEMENTS, WHICH, HOWEVER, "SHOULD NOT RESTRICT THE STATE SOVEREIGNTY OF THE LATVIAN REPUBLIC".

THE REPORT QUOTED PRESIDENT GORBACHEV AS SAYING THAT "THE PEOPLE OF LATVIA SHOULD THEMSELVES CHOOSE BETWEEN TWO WAYS OF DEVELOPING RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION -- THE LATVIAN REPUBLIC AS A MEMBER OF A UNION OF SOVEREIGN STATES, OR THE LATVIAN REPUBLIC AS AN INDEPENDENT STATE OUTSIDE THE SOVIET UNION.

"IF THE MAJORITY OF LATVIINS FULLY RECOGNISE THE IDEA OF A SOVEREIGN LATVIAN STATE DE FACTO, A REFERENDUM SHOULD BE ORGANISED TO FIND OUT THE ATTITUDE OF ALL LATVIAN RESIDENTS OF OTHER NATIONALITIES TO THIS IDEA. RELATIONS BETWEEN THE LATVIAN REPUBLIC AND THE USSR COULD THEN BE AMENDED."

THE LATVIAN SIDE EMTHASISED THAT THE STATE OF ETHNIC RELATIONS IN LATVIA AT THE CURRENT STAGE "IS NO OBSTACLE TO THE FORMATION OF THE LATVIAN REPUBLIC AS A POLITICAL SOVEREIGN STATE DE FACTO IN A DEMOCRATIC WAY".

IT CALLED FOR FINDING A COMMON FORMULA THAT WOULD PROMOTE THE RECOGNITION OF THE LATVIAN REPUBLIC BY MOSCOW AND OTHER CAPITALS OF THE WORLD.

AT THE SAME 1/4IME, THE LATVIAN SIDE NOTED, LATVIA'S ECONOMIC AND HUMANITARIAN TIES WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND ITS REPUBLICS SHOULD BE PRESERVED ANL DEVELOPED.

THE MEETING ALSO COVERED LATVIA'S DEMOGRAPHIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS, THE SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF TROOPS, AND SUPPLIES OF FODDER GRAIN TO LATVIA.

THE LATTER PROBLEM WAS EMPHASISED IN A JOINT LETTER TO GORBACHEV FROM GODMANIS MOSCOW MAYOR GAVRIIL POPOV AND LENINGRAD MAYOR ANATOLY SOBCHAK.

CONCLUDING THE MEETING, GORBACHEV CALLED FOR CONTINUING JOINT EFFORTS "IN A DEMOCRATIC WAY" TO DRAW THE SIDES' POSITIONS CLOSER TOGETHER.

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MOSCOW (SEPT 27) TASS - SOVIET PARLIAMENT CHAIRMAN ANATOLY LUKYANOV RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE LEADERSHIP OF THE INTERNATIONAL PUGWASH MOVEMENT OF SCIENTISTS AGAINST NUCLEAR THREAT IN THE KREMLIN TODAY: PRESIDENT JOSEPH

ROTBLAT (BRITAIN), GENERAL SECRETARY FRANCESCO CALOGERO (ITALY) AND CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE JOHN HOLDREN (U.S.).

THE ACTIVITIES OF THE INTERNATIONAL PUGWASH MOVEMENT OF SCIENTISTS IN THE LIGHT OF THE END OF THE COLD WAR AND THE MAIN DIRECTIONS OF THE MOVEMENT'S ACTIVITIES AT THE PRESENT STAGE WERE DISCUSSED.

THE MEMBERS OF THE LEADERSHIP OF THE PUGWASH MOVEMENT SPOKE ABOUT THE RESULTS OF THE RECENT 40TH PUGWASH CONFERENCE OF SCIENTISTS IN BRITAIN AND SHARED THEIR IMPRESSIONS OF THEIR MEETING WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT'S COMMITTEE FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS.

LUKYANOV TOLD THE GUESTS ABOUT THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT, MEASURES WHICH ARE BEING TAKEN BY IT TO STABILISE THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC AND SOCIO-POLITICAL LIFE IN VIEW OF THE TRANSITION TO AN ALL-UNION MARKET AND THE PREPARATION OF A NEW UNION TREATY, AS WELL AS THE MAIN ASPECTS OF SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY BASED ON NEW POLITICAL THINKING.

-30- 1345

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 27) TASS - SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV APPOINTED YEVGENY ASTAKHOV, 53, SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO THE REPUBLIC OF NICARAGUA.

ASTAKHOV GRADUATED FROM THE MOSCOW STATE INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OF THE USSR FOREIGN MINISTRY AND LATER FROM THE DIPLOMATIC ACADEMY OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. IN 1971-1975 HE WAS SECOND SECRETARY AND THEN FIRST SECRETARY OF THE SOVIET EMBASSY TO BRASIL. IN 1978-1985 HE WAS FIRST SECRETARY AND COUNCILLOR AT THE SOVIET EMBASSY TO SPAIN. FROM 1987 HE WORKED AT THE CENTRAL APPARATUS OF TXE SOVIET FOREIGN MINI&TRY.

VALERY NIKOLAYENKO WAS RELIEVED OF THE DUTIES OF TIE SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO THE REPUBLIC OF NICARAGUA IN CONNECTION WITH THE TRANSFER TO ANOTHER POST.

-30- 854

#90270t2439 09/27/1990 ~ts

OTTAWA (SEPT 28) TASS - AT A SESSION OF THE INTERPOL GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT OPENED HERE ON THURSDAY, THE SOVIET UNION BECAME A MEMBER OF THIS ORGANIZATION UNITING MORE THAN 150 COUNTRIES.

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#90270t2442 09/27/1990 ~ts

TALLINN (SEPT 28) TASS - THE FIRST READING OF THE BILL "ON ECONOMIC BORDER" WAS HELD AT THE ESTONIAN PARLIAMENT.

ACCORDING TO MINISTER RAIVO VARE WHO MADE A REPORT ON THE BILL, AN ECONOMIC

BORDER BETWEEN ESTONIA, ON THE ONE HAND, AND RUSSIA AND LATVIA, ON THE OTHER, PLANS TO BE&SET UP IN ORDER TO CREATE CONDITIONS FOR STABILISING THE DOMESTIC MARKET, TO CONTROL IMMIGRATION AND ERADICATE CRIME.

ACCORDING TO DEPUTY YEVGENY KOCHEGAROV, A FRONTIER GUARD OFFICER, IT HAS ACTUALLY BEEN PROPOSED TO CREATE A STATE BORDER, SEPARATING ESTONIA FROM THE REST OF THE SOVIET UNION, UNDER THE GUISE OF THE ECONOMIC BORDER. KOCHEGAROV BELIEVES THAT THE INTENTION TO PROTECT THE DOMESTIC MARKET IN SUCH A WAY IS NOTHING BUT ANOTHER ADMINISTRATIVE MEASURE BASED ON ISOLATION PRINCIPLES.

BANS ON SENDING BY HOST THE GOODS, THAT ARE IN SHORT SUPPLY, FROM ESTONIA TO OTHER REGIONS, THE SELLING OF THESE GOODS TO THE POPULATION ON THE PRESENTATION OF A PASSPORT AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF GOODS ACCORDING TO SPECIAL COUPONS DID NOT HELP STABILISE THE MARKET.

KOCHEGAROV CALLED IN QUESTION THE GOVERNMENT'S INTENTION TO SPEND NO MORE0THAN 1.5 MILLION ROUBLES ON THE CREATION OF THE "ECONOMIC BORDER". HE MAINTAINS THAT THE COST OF THIS OPERATION WILL BE MUCH HIGHER.

SOME OTHER MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT SHARED THE OPINION OF KOCHEGAROV. THEY SUGGESTED THAT BY THE SECOND READING THE GOVERNMENT SUBMIT TO THE PARLIAMENT AN ESTIMATE OF POSSIBLE EXPENDITURES. MANY OF THEM FEAR RETALIATORY ACTIONS ON THE PART OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AND LATVIA.

SINCE, ACCORDING TO THE RULES, A PARLIAMENTARY DISCUSSION CAN BE HELD ONLY AFTER THE SECOND READING, THE MAIN DEBATE ON THE BILL IS STILL AHEAD.

-30- 1851

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	90	65	.581	-	48-30	42-35	6-4	W-3
New York	87	68	.561	3	51-27	36-41	4-6	W-2
Montreal	81	74	.523	9	43-31	38-43	4-6	L-6
Chicago	73	82	.471	17	39-42	34-40	4-6	L-2
Philadel.	73	82	.471	17	39-38	34-44	7-3	L-2
St. Louis	70	85	.452	20	34-44	36-41	4-6	W-2
West								
Cincinnati	88	67	.568	-	43-31	45-36	6-4	W-1
Los Angeles	84	72	.538	4 1/2	45-33	39-39	7-3	L-1
San Fran.	81	75	.519	7 1/2	45-29	36-45	6-4	W-4
San Diego	71	85	.455	17 1/2	37-44	34-41	2-8	L-8
Houston	71	85	.455	17 1/2	46-32	25-53	4-6	W-1
Atlanta	63	92	.406	25	37-43	26-49	4-6	L-1

-30- 992
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(SEPT. 27) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Toronto	84	72	.538	-	44-37	40-35	6-4	L-2
Boston	83	72	.535	1/2	47-28	36-44	2-8	W-1
Detroit	75	80	.483	8 1/2	36-41	38-40	3-7	L-2
Cleveland	74	82	.474	10	39-37	35-44	8-2	L-1
Baltimore	71	83	.461	12	38-39	33-44	4-6	L-2
Milwaukee	71	84	.458	12 1/2	36-39	35-45	3-7	W-2
New York	64	92	.410	20	36-41	28-51	4-6	W-2
West								
x-Oakland	99	56	.639	-	50-28	49-28	8-2	W-2
Chicago	90	65	.581	9	46-30	44-35	8-2	W-1
Texas	81	74	.523	18	46-32	35-42	5-5	W-1
California	77	78	.497	22	41-36	36-42	4-6	L-1
Seattle	75	81	.481	24 1/2	39-43	36-38	4-6	W-1
Kansas City	72	83	.465	27	45-36	27-47	3-7	L-2
Minnesota	71	85	.455	28 1/2	39-39	32-46	5-5	L-1

-30- 1119
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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (SEPT. 27) UPI - The leak-plagued shuttle Columbia likely will remain grounded until at least early December because of work to repair components in the ship's engine room that are leaking explosive hydrogen, officials say.

''I'm hopeful we will have gone through this entire (test) sequence and have Columbia back in the flying sequence in the December time frame and pull the (mission) off then,'' William Lenoir, NASA's associate administrator for space flight, said Wednesday at a Washington news conference.

The space agency is gearing up to launch the shuttle Discovery Oct. 6 from pad 39B to carry the Ulysses solar probe into space for a five-year voyage over the poles of the sun.

Once Discovery gets off the pad, Columbia will be moved to pad 39B to make room for the shuttle Atlantis, which is scheduled to blast off from pad 39A around Nov. 7 to kick off a secret military mission.

Once at pad 39B, Columbia will be subjected to an exhaustive series of tests to pinpoint the source of the leak that has grounded the ship four times and

delayed its launch from May 30 to early December at the earliest.

The leak hobbling Columbia only shows up in the presence of supercold liquid hydrogen rocket fuel at minus 423 degrees Fahrenheit.

Shuttle program director Robert Crippen said engineers plan to mount about 11 television cameras in Columbia's engine room for the first of at least two fueling tests to help pinpoint the leak.

Two of the cameras can be moved by remote control while eight small units will be aimed at specific targets. Another small camera may be mounted on a device called a ''Cobra'' that can be maneuvered about by remote control like a mechanical snake.

In addition, Crippen said if safety precautions can be worked out, a technician might be permitted to remain in the shuttle's engine room during the fueling procedure to look for leaks.

''I have asked the team to go out and tell me why we could not put somebody physically in there if the other means did not work,'' Crippen said during the news conference.

The problem is the engine compartment is flooded with inert nitrogen gas during fuel loading because the shuttle plumbing gets ''very cold and air would start liquifying and raining,'' Crippen said. ''People cannot live in pure nitrogen so they would have to be in some kind of (suit).''

In addition to the fueling tests, engineers are continuing to conduct room-temperature tests using helium. But so far, no leaks like the ones that forced NASA to ground the spaceplane have shown up under those conditions.

As of Tuesday, Lenoir said, NASA engineers were studying 83 potential leak sources, slowly working to narrow the list down.

Columbia originally was scheduled for blastoff May 30, but the ship was grounded the night before during fuel loading when sensors detected explosive hydrogen gas building up in the shuttle's engine room.

After Atlantis was grounded by a similar leak, NASA made two more attempts to launch Columbia on Sept. 6 and 18, but both tries were scuttled by hydrogen fuel leaks.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Boston at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Baltimore at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Oakland at Texas, 8:35 p.m.
Kansas City at California, 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
New York at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
Atlanta at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.

GAMES

Beijing - Asian Games

GOLF

Columbus, Ga. - PGA Southern Open
Sugar Land, Texas - $400,000 LPGA Breathless Houston Championship

TENNIS

Basel, Switzeralnd - $500,000 Swiss Indoors
Brisbane, Austrailia - $200,000 Queensland Open.
Estoril, Portugal - $100,000 Estoril Open
Palermo, Sicily - $350,000 International Championsips of Sicily

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

BALTIMORE

	ab	r	h	bi
Finley rf	3	0	1	1
BRipken 2b	4	0	1	0
Gomez 3b	3	0	0	0
CRipken ss	4	1	1	1
Wrthngtn dh	4	0	0	0
Bell pr	0	0	0	0
Segui 1b	4	0	1	0
Devereax cf	4	0	1	0
Melvin c	4	1	1	0
McKnight lf	4	0	0	0
Totals	34	2	6	2

NEW YORK

	ab	r	h	bi
x-Kelly cf	3	0	0	0
Sax 2b	2	1	1	0
Maas 1b	3	0	0	0
Balboni dh	4	1	1	1
Barfield rf	4	2	3	1
Meulens lf	4	0	1	0
Leyritz 3b	3	0	1	1
Tolleson ss	0	0	0	0
Geren c	3	0	0	0
Velarde ss	4	0	0	1
Totals	30	4	7	4

x-reached first via catcher's interference.

Baltimore	000 001 100-	2
New York	000 201 10X-	4

E-Gomez, Melvin. DP-New York 1. LOB- Baltimore 7, New York 8. 2B-Leyritz, Melvin. HR-Balboni (17), C Ripken (20). SB-Sax (39). S-Leyritz.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
Ballrd (L 2-11)	5 1-3	6	3	2	2	2
Bautista	2-3	0	1	1	2	0
Boone	1	1	0	0	0	0
Schilling	1	0	0	0	0	2
New York						
Cary (W 6-11)	6 2-3	5	2	2	2	7
Robinson	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	2
Righetti (S 35)	1	0	0	0	0	0

Bautista pitched to one batter in the 7th.

WP-Cary. PB-Melvin, Geren.

Umpires- Home, Ford; 1b, Evans; 2b, Welke; 3b, Coble.

T-3:03. A-17,544.

CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Cole cf	4	0	1	0	Reed 2b	5	0	0	0
Browne 2b	2	0	0	1	Quintana 1b	5	1	3	0
CJames dh	5	0	0	0	Evans dh	4	1	2	0
Maldonado lf	4	1	1	0	Stone pr	0	0	0	0
Alomar c	4	0	1	0	Burks cf	5	1	1	1
Baerga 3b	3	0	1	0	Greenwell lf	3	2	2	1
Jacoby 1b	3	0	1	1	Brunnsky rf	3	1	2	1
Ward rf	3	1	0	0	Pena c	3	1	2	2
Fermin ss	2	0	0	0	Rivera ss	4	0	2	2
					Kutcher 3b	4	0	0	0
Totals	30	2	5	2	Totals	36	7	14	7

Cleveland	001 000 010-	2
Boston	500 010 10x-	7

E-Fermin, Cole. DP-Boston 1. LOB- Cleveland 10, Boston 9. 2B-Pena, Evans, Jacoby. HR-Greenwell (14). SB-Pena (7), Cole (36). SF-Browne, Pena.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cleveland						
Cndtt (L 14-11)	5	11	6	6	1	3
Shaw	2	3	1	0	1	1
Gozzo	1	0	0	0	1	1
Boston						
Kieckr (W 8-9)	6	2	1	1	7	2
Andersen	2	3	1	1	0	1
Gray	1	0	0	0	1	2

Kiecker pitched to one batter in the 7th inning.

Umpires-Home, Hendry; 1b, Palermo; 2b, Reilly; 3b, Garcia.

T-2:58. A-28,824.

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	4	1	1	0	Phillips 2b	4	1	2	1
EMartinz 3b	4	0	1	1	Moseby lf	3	1	1	0
Schaefer 3b	1	1	0	0	Fielder 1b	3	0	0	0
GriffeyJr dh	4	1	1	0	Sheets dh	3	0	0	0
Leonard lf	4	2	3	2	Ward ph	1	0	1	2
Buhner rf	5	1	4	3	Shelby rf	3	0	1	0
Cotto cf	3	0	0	0	Lemon rf	0	0	0	0
TMartinz 1b	3	1	1	1	Fryman ss	3	0	0	0
Valle c	3	0	0	0	Bergman ph	1	0	0	0
Vizquel ss	4	1	0	0	Salas c	0	0	0	0
					Heath c	4	0	1	0
					Coles 3b	4	1	1	1
					Cuyler cf	3	1	0	0
Totals	35	8	11	7	Totals	32	4	7	4

Seattle	000 200 312-	8
Detroit	002 000 020-	4

E-EMartinez, Hanson, Schaefer, Fielder. DP-Seattle 2, Detroit 1. LOB-Seattle 9 Detroit 5. 2B-Buhner. HR-Coles (3), Buhner (6). SB-Moseby (17), Griffey Jr (16). S-Valle.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Hnsn (W 17-9)	7 1-3	6	4	3	3	10
Comstock	0	1	0	0	1	0

Swift (S 6)	1	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Detroit							
Tanana (L 8-8)	6	2-3	5	4	4	5	3
Nunez	1	1-3	5	2	1	0	1
Petry		1	1	2	2	2	1

Comstock pitched to 2 batters in the 8th.

HBP-by Petry (Cotto).

Umpires-Home, Barnett; 1b, Kosc; 2b, Morrison; 3b, Roe.

T-3:14. A-11,865.

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Gladden lf	4	1	1	0	Calderon lf	4	0	0	0
Mack cf	3	0	1	0	Bradley lf	0	0	0	0
Bush ph	1	0	0	0	Johnson cf	4	1	1	0
Puckett rf	3	0	0	1	Fisk dh	4	1	1	0
Gaetti 3b	3	0	0	0	Thomas 1b	4	1	1	1
Harper c	3	0	0	0	Pasqua rf	3	0	1	1
Larkin 1b	3	0	0	0	Sosa rf	0	0	0	0
Castillo dh	3	0	0	0	Ventura 3b	4	0	3	1
Leius ss	3	0	1	0	Karkovice c	3	0	0	0
Newman 2b	3	0	1	0	Fletcher 2b	3	0	1	0
					Guillen ss	3	0	0	0
Totals	29	1	4	1	Totals	32	3	8	3

Minnesota	000 100 000-	1
Chicago	200 000 01x-	3

DP-Chicago 2. LOB-Minnesota 2, Chicago 6. SB-Johnson 2 (36), Sosa (32).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Tapani (L 11-8)	7	7	2	2	0	4
Garces	2-3	1	1	1	1	1
Wayne	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Chicago						
Hibbard (W 14-9)	8	3	1	1	0	2
Thigpen (S 54)	1	1	0	0	1	0

Balk - Hibbard.

Umpires-Home, Clark; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, McCoy; 3b, Phillips.

T-2:14. A-25,617.

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
McGee cf	5	2	1	0	Pecota ss	4	0	0	0
Weiss ss	5	0	1	0	Tartabull ph	1	0	0	0
McGwire 1b	3	1	2	1	Seitzer 3b	4	1	1	1
Baines dh	3	0	0	0	Brett dh	3	0	1	0
Canseco ph	1	0	0	0	Jackson lf	4	1	2	1
Jennings lf	3	0	0	0	Perry 1b	4	0	0	0
Hassey c	4	0	1	1	Eisenreich rf	4	0	0	0
Howitt rf	2	0	0	0	Wilson cf	4	0	3	0
DHendrsn ph	1	0	0	0	Macfarlan c	4	0	1	0
Lewis rf	0	0	0	0	White 2b	4	0	1	0
Gallego 2b	3	0	0	0					
Blnknshp 3b	2	0	1	0					
Quirk ph	1	0	1	0					
Lansford 3b	0	0	0	0					
Totals	33	3	7	2	Totals	36	2	9	2

Oakland	100 020 000-	3
Kanss Cty	100 001 000-	2

E-Seitzer, Perry, Saberhagen. DP-Kansas City 2. LOB-Oakland 9, Kansas City 9.
2B-Jackson, Wilson, White. HR-Seitzer (6), Jackson (27).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Welch (W 26-6)	7 2-3	9	2	2	2	1
Honeycutt	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Eckersley (S 45)	1	0	0	0	0	2
Kansas City						
Saberhagn (L 5-9)	5	5	3	2	3	6
MDavis	2	1	0	0	2	2
McGaffigan	1	0	0	0	0	0
Montgomery	1	1	0	0	0	1

HBP-Lewis By McGaffigan.

Umpires-Home, Kaiser; 1b, Johnson; 2b, Voltaggio; 3b, McKean.

T-2:34. A-27,535.

CALIFORNIA TEXAS

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Schofield ss	4	0	1	0	Pettis cf	4	1	2	1
Ray 2b	4	0	2	1	Franco 2b	3	1	1	0
Davis lf	2	0	0	0	Palmeiro 1b	3	1	2	2
Polonia lf	3	0	0	0	Sierra rf	4	0	0	1
Winfield rf	3	1	1	0	Incaviglia lf	3	1	0	0
Downing dh	4	0	0	0	Gonzalez dh	4	0	1	0
Schu 1b	4	0	1	0	Petralli c	4	1	3	0
Parrish c	4	0	1	1	Buechele 3b	3	0	0	1
Bichette cf	4	0	0	0	Green ss	4	1	1	1
Rose 3b	3	1	0	0					
Totals	35	2	6	2	Totals	32	6	10	6

California	010 000 100-	2
Texas	300 300 00x-	6

E-Incaviglia, Buechele, Green. DP-California 1. LOB-California 10, Texas 6.
3B-Palmeiro. SB-Green (1), Pettis (37). S-Buechele.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
McCsklll (L 12-11)	3 2-3	6	6	6	2	3
Fetters	1 1-3	2	0	0	1	1
ClYoung	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Minton	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Texas						
Rogers (W 10-5)	6	3	1	0	1	5
Arnsberg	2-3	2	1	1	1	1
Jeffcoat	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Barfield	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
JeRussell	1-3	0	0	0	2	0

Umpires-Home, Denkinger; 1b, Shulock; 2b, Merrill; 3b, McClelland.

T-2:48. A-18,761.

TORONTO MILWAUKEE

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Wilson cf	3	0	0	0	Molitor 1b	4	1	2	1
Fernandz ss	4	0	1	0	Brock 1b	1	0	0	0
Mulliniks 3b	4	0	0	0	Gantner 2b	4	1	1	0
McGriff 1b	4	0	1	0	Yount cf	4	0	2	2
Bell dh	4	0	1	0	Hamilton rf	0	0	0	0
Ducey lf	4	0	1	0	Parker dh	5	0	1	0
Myers c	4	0	0	0	Vaughn lf	4	0	0	0
Whiten rf	3	0	2	0	Surhoff c	4	2	2	0

Lee 2b	3	0	1	0	Deer rf	4	0	2	0
					Felder cf	0	1	0	0
					Sveum 3b	3	1	1	2
					Diaz ss	4	0	2	1
Totals	33	0	7	0	Totals	37	6	13	6

Toronto	000 000 000- 0
Milwaukee	110 000 13x- 6

E-Mulliniks. LOB-Toronto 7, Milwaukee 10. 2B-Lee, Gantner. HR-Molitor (12). SF-Sveum.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Wells (L 11-5)	7	8	3	3	1	6
Wills	1-3	4	3	3	0	1
Cerutti	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Acker	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Milwaukee						
Robinson (W 12-4)	9	7	0	0	1	1

WP-Cerutti.

Umpires-Home, Brinkman; 1b, Cousins; 2b, Reed; 3b, Cooney.

T-2:41. A-8,804.

-30- 10758
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(SEPT. 27) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts lf	4	1	2	0	Butler cf	4	0	2	0
Cora 2b	5	1	4	0	Thompson 2b	5	1	1	0
JaClark 1b	1	0	0	0	Novoa p	0	0	0	0
Stephensn 1b	4	0	1	2	Bathe ph	1	0	0	0
Carter cf	4	0	0	0	WClark 1b	4	1	2	0
Pagliarul 3b	5	1	2	0	Oneal p	0	0	0	0
JeClark rf	5	1	2	0	Uribe ss	2	0	0	0
Parent c	3	0	0	0	Mitchell lf	4	1	1	0
Templetn ss	3	1	1	3	Williams 3b	4	3	3	5
Show p	0	0	0	0	Bass rf	3	1	1	2
Rasmussn p	2	1	1	0	Kingery rf	1	0	1	0
Lampkin ph	1	0	1	0	Decker c	2	0	1	0

Hammakr p	0	0	0	0	Benjamin ss	3	0	0	0
DarJcksn cf	1	0	0	0	Wilson p	0	0	0	0
					Oliveras p	0	0	0	0
					Robinson p	0	0	0	0
					Riles ph	0	0	0	0
					Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0
Totals	38	6	14	5	Totals	33	7	12	7

San Diego	051	000	000- 6
San Francisco	302	020	00x- 7

E-Williams. DP-San Diego 1, San Francisco 1. LOB-San Diego 9, San Francisco 7. 2B-Ma Williams, Pagliarulo. 3B-JeClark. HR-Williams 2 (33), Templeton (9), Bass (7). SB-Cora (6), Roberts (45). S-Roberts, Decker. SF- Templeton.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Rsmssn (L 11-15)	5	9	7	7	2	3
Hammaker	1	1	0	0	0	0
Show	2	2	0	0	2	2
San Francisco						
Robinson	1 2-3	8	5	4	0	2
Novoa	2 1-3	2	1	1	0	2
Oneal (W 1-0)	1 1-3	3	0	0	1	0
Wilson	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Oliveras	2 1-3	1	0	0	1	2
Bedrosian (S 16)	1		0	0	0	0

WP-Rasmussen. PB-Decker.

Umpires- Home, Hohn; 1b, Davis; 2b, Layne; 3b, Runge.

T-3:00. A-10,193.

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Johnson ss	4	1	2	1	Raines lf	3	0	0	0
Magadan 1b	4	1	1	1	DaMartnz cf	4	0	0	0
Teufel 2b	4	0	0	0	Deshields 2b	4	0	0	0
Miller 2b	0	1	0	0	Wallach 3b	3	0	0	0
Strawbrry rf	5	0	2	1	Walker rf	3	0	2	0
McRynlds lf	4	0	2	1	Aldrete 1b	2	0	0	0
Franco p	0	0	0	0	Nixon ph	1	0	0	0
Jefferies 3b	5	0	1	0	Foley ss	3	0	0	0
Boston cf	3	1	1	0	Rojas p	0	0	0	0
Obrien c	4	0	0	0	Hall p	0	0	0	0

Cone p	3	0	1	0	Sampen p	0	0	0	0
DReed lf	0	0	0	0	Noboa ph	1	0	0	0
					Mercado c	2	0	0	0
					Owen ss	1	0	0	0
					DeMartinz p	2	0	0	0
					Goff c	1	0	1	0
Totals	36	4	10	4	Totals	30	0	3	0

New York	210	000	001-	4
Montreal	000	000	000-	0

E-Deshields. DP-Montreal 2. LOB-New York 11, Montreal 7. 2B-Magadan, Johnson.
SB-Johnson (32), Boston 2 (16).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Cone (W 13-10)	8	2	0	0	4	7
Franco	1	1	0	0	0	0
Montreal						
De Martinez (L 10-11)	7	8	3	3	4	5
Rojas	1	0	0	0	2	1
Hall	2-3	1	1	0	0	0
Sampen	1-3	1	0	0	0	0

WP-Rojas.

Umpires- Home, Gregg; 1b, Crawford; 2b, Harvey; 3b, Demuth.

T-2:58. A-10,116.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Walton cf	4	0	0	0	Backman 3b	1	1	1	0
Sandberg 2b	4	1	0	0	King 3b	1	0	0	0
Grace 1b	4	1	1	0	Bell ss	3	1	0	0
Dawson rf	4	1	2	0	VanSlyke cf	4	1	2	2
Salazar 3b	4	0	1	1	Bonilla rf	4	1	1	1
GSmith pr	0	0	0	0	Bonds lf	3	0	0	0
Dunston ss	3	0	0	0	Bream 1b	3	0	0	0
Kramer p	0	0	0	0	Lavalliere c	4	0	1	1
Villanuev ph	1	0	0	0	Lind 2b	3	0	0	0
Wynne pr	0	0	0	0	Smith p	4	0	0	0
Berryhill c	4	0	1	0					
Dascenzo lf	3	0	1	0					
Coffman p	2	0	1	0					
Nunez p	0	0	0	0					

Ramos ss	1	0	0	0					
Totals	34	3	7	1	Totals	30	4	5	4

Van Slyke reached first via catchers interference.

Chicago	000	100	002- 3
Pittsburgh	000	040	00X- 4

E-Berryhill, Lind, King, J Bell. DP-Pittsburgh 2. LOB-Chicago 4, Pittsburgh 8.
3B-Van Slyke. SB-Bream (8).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Coffmn (L 0-1)	4 1-3	4	4	4	5	0
Nunez	2 2-3	1	0	0	0	3
Kramer	1	0	0	0	1	2
Pittsburgh						
Smith (W 12-8)	9	7	3	0	0	4

Umpires- Home, Montague; 1b, Davidson; 2b, C Williams; 3b, McSherry.

T-2:20. A-26,157.

ST LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Gilkey lf	4	1	1	0	Dykstra cf	4	0	0	0
OSmith ss	3	0	0	0	Daulton c	4	0	2	0
Jones ss	1	1	0	0	VHayes lf	3	0	0	0
Lankford cf	2	1	1	0	Murphy rf	3	0	0	0
Guerrero 1b	2	0	0	0	Kruk 1b	3	0	1	0
Brewer 1b	2	0	1	2	CHayes 3b	3	1	1	0
Jose rf	5	1	2	2	RBooker ss	3	0	0	0
Zeile 3b	4	1	3	2	Morandini 2b	3	0	1	1
GPena 2b	2	2	0	0	Dejesus p	1	0	0	0
Oquendo 2b	1	0	0	0	Fletcher ph	1	0	0	0
Pagnozzi c	5	1	2	1	Malone p	0	0	0	0
BSmith p	3	0	1	1	Ruffin p	0	0	0	0
Wilson ph	1	0	0	0	Hollins ph	1	0	0	0
DiPino p	1	0	0	0	McElroy p	0	0	0	0
Totals	36	8	11	8	Totals	29	1	5	1

St Louis	022	001	120- 8
Philadelphia	010	000	000- 1

E-Dejesus. DP-St Louis 3, Philadelphia 1. LOB-St Louis 10, Philadelphia 2.
2B-Pagnozzi, Jose, Gilkey. HR-Zeile (15). SB- Lankford (8).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St Louis						
B Smth (W 9-8)	7	5	1	1	1	2
DiPino	2	0	0	0	0	2
Philadelphia						
Dejess (L 6-8)	5	5	4	4	3	3
Malone	1	1	2	2	3	1
Ruffin	2	4	2	2	2	3
McElroy	1	1	0	0	0	2

Malone pitched to 1 batter in the 7th.

WP-Malone. HBP-Guerrero By Dejesus.

Umpires-Home, Rippley; 1b, Darling; 2b, Froemming; 3b, Pulli.

T-2:41. A-12,443.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Smith lf	4	1	1	0	Larkin ss	4	1	1	0
Treadway 2b	4	0	1	0	Oneill rf	3	1	1	1
Gant cf	4	1	2	2	Doran 2b	4	1	1	0
Justice rf	4	0	0	0	EDavis lf	4	1	2	3
Gregg 1b	4	0	0	0	Morris 1b	3	0	1	0
Mercker p	0	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	3	0	0	0
Blauser ss	4	0	2	0	Reed c	2	0	2	0
Lemke 3b	4	0	2	0	Bates pr	0	0	0	0
Mann c	3	0	0	0	Oliver c	0	0	0	0
Whitt ph	1	0	0	0	Wnnnghm cf	1	1	0	0
Smoltz p	2	0	0	0	Hatcher cf	2	0	0	0
Castillo p	0	0	0	0	Rijo p	3	0	1	0
Freeman p	0	0	0	0					
Bell ph	1	0	0	0					
Parrett p	0	0	0	0					
Cabrera 1b	0	0	0	0					
Totals	35	2	8	2	Totals	29	5	9	4

Atlanta	000	000	020- 2
Cincinnati	210	020	00x- 5

E-Smoltz. DP-Atlanta 1. LOB-Atlanta 6, Cincinnati 8. 2B-Gant, Lemke, Reed.
HR-E Davis (24), Gant (31). S-Rijo.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Atlanta						
Smoltz (L 13-11)	4	6	5	5	5	3
Castillo	1-3	1	0	0	1	0
Freeman	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Parrett	1	0	0	0	1	1
Mercker	1	2	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati						
Rijo (W 14-7)	9	8	2	2	0	11

Smoltz pitched to two batters in the fifth inning.

WP-Smoltz.

Umpires-Home, Tata; 1b, Quick; 2b, Bonin; 3b, Rennert.

T-2:37. A-22,278.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Sharpersn 3b	4	0	0	0	Biggio c	3	3	2	0
Gibson cf	3	1	1	0	Candaele 2b	4	0	0	0
Daniels lf	4	0	1	1	Rohde 2b	1	0	0	0
Murray 1b	4	0	1	0	Rhodes cf	4	2	1	0
Brooks rf	4	0	0	0	Davis 1b	1	3	0	0
Scioscia c	1	0	0	0	Simms 1b	0	0	0	0
Dempsey c	2	0	0	0	Stubbs lf	4	1	2	6
Samuel 2b	3	0	0	0	Davidson lf	0	0	0	0
Griffin ss	3	0	1	0	Caminiti 3b	4	1	1	2
Morgan p	0	0	0	0	Anthony rf	3	0	1	1
Holmes p	0	0	0	0	Young cf	0	0	0	0
Lopez ph	1	0	0	0	Ramirez ss	3	0	0	0
Wetteland p	0	0	0	0	Deshaies p	4	0	0	0
Lyons ph	1	0	0	0					
Poole p	0	0	0	0					
Aase p	0	0	0	0					
Walsh p	0	0	0	0					
Hatcher ph	1	0	0	0					
Searage p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	31	1	4	1	Totals	31	10	7	9

Los Angeles	000	001	000- 1
Houston	300	030	40x-10

E-Sharperson. LOB-Los Angeles 5, Houston 5. 2B-Stubbs, Gibson, Biggio, Murray, Caminiti. HR-Stubbs (22).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Mrgn (L 11-15)	0 1-3	1	3	3	3	0
Holmes	1 2-3	1	0	0	2	2
Wetteland	2	0	0	0	0	3
Poole	0 2-3	1	3	3	2	0
Aase	1 2-3	2	3	3	1	2
Walsh	0 2-3	2	1	1	0	1
Searage	1	0	0	0	0	0
Houston						
Deshaies (W 7-12)	9	4	1	1	2	9

WP-Aase.

Umpires-Home, West; 1b, Marsh; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, Hallion.

T-2:46. A-13,790.

-30- 10766
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(SEPT. 27) UPI - Negotiators trying to come up with a deal to cut the budget deficit debated the fate of the capital gains tax behind closed doors on Capitol Hill in talks that recessed late Wednesday. They are expected to resume Thursday afternoon. A grim-faced Senate Republican leader Robert Dole says the UNexpectedly short session was laced with ''nice angry tones'' and there was ''NOT much'' progress.

President Bush flew to Minneapolis Wednesday night to continue campaigning for Republicans. The president met Independent-Republican Jon Grunseth, who is trying to upset Governor Rudy Perpich. Bush will attend three fundraisers Thursday morning and will meet a group of teachers. He will then fly on to Cleveland for another G-O-P money- raiser. At a stop in Chicago Wednesday night, Bush said he'll open the federal petroleum reserve for the first time.

Presidential son Neil Bush is expected to testify Thursday at a hearing into allegations that he acted improperly while a director of a Colorado thrift. The collapse of Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan in December 1988 is expected to cost taxpayers at least one-BILLION dollars. Bush... who was a director of the S-and-L from August 1985 to August 1988... is charged by the Office of Thrift Supervision with three violations of conflict of interest standards.

A spokesman for Guatemala's armed forces says four members of an elite army unit have been arrested and charged in the killing of an American. 49-year-old Michael Devine was working as an innkeeper and tour guide 130 miles north of

the capital when he was kidnapped June 8th. His body was found the next day on a jungle roadside. The United States reportedly threatened to cut off all military aid to Guatemala if the case was NOT resolved.

-30- 1941

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - The case of a teen-ager accused of setting a boy on fire in New York went before a Brooklyn family court judge Wednesday. In a voice shaking with emotion, the prosecutor said the 13-year-old defendant twice set fire to David Opont... and laughed as the boy rolled in the snow, trying to put out the flames. But the defense lawyer said Opont couldN'T identify his attacker at first... and her client is NOT the one who committed the attack.

A bleak picture of student achievement was painted Wednesday by the Education Department in its annual Nation's Report Card. The report finds that most students CAN'T analyze what they read... CAN'T handle moderately challenging math problems... and have a limited understanding of American history. Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos calls the report a ''compendium of disappointment.''

-30- 998

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - PENNANT RACE AT A GLANCE

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	90	65	.581	-
New York	87	68	.561	3

GAMES REMAINING

Pittsburgh (7) - Home (4): Chicago (1) Sept. 27; New York (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (3): St. Louis (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30.

New York (7) - Home (3): Chicago (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30. Away (4): Montreal (1) Sept. 27; Pittsburgh (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3.

West

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	88	67	.568	-
Los Angeles	84	72	.538	4 1/2

GAMES REMAINING

Cincinnati (7) - Home (7): Atlanta (1) Sept. 27; San Diego (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30; Houston (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3.

Los Angeles (6) - Home (3): San Diego (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (3): San Francisco (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	84	72	.538	-
Boston	83	72	.535	1/2

GAMES REMAINING

Toronto (6) - Away (6): Boston (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30; Baltimore (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3.

Boston (7) - Home (6): Toronto (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30; Chicago (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (1): Detroit (1) Sept. 27.

-30- 1306

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - Boston Red Sox second baseman Jody Reed refuses to believe the headlines.

Boston, which had lost 15 of its previous 21 games, scored five runs in the first inning en route to a 7-2 victory over the Cleveland Indians. The Red Soxmoved to within one-half game of the AL East-leading Toronto Blue Jays.

''We're in a good situation but it seems that everybody wants us to lose,'' said Reed, adding that news coverage of the team uses words like: '''folding, crashing and diving.' But we're not quitting, we're not dying.''

The Red Sox, which ended a three-game losing streak, had a 6 1-2-game division lead Sept. 4. Thursday, they can gain a tie for first place with a victory over the Tigers in a makeup game in Detroit. Toronto has the day off.

The Red Sox and Blue Jays meet in a three-game series in Boston starting Friday.

''If we go in there (Boston) even with them, and we'll find that out tomorrow, it's in our hands,'' Toronto Manager Cito Gaston said. ''It would have been nice to go in three or four up, but this is where we are.''

Luis Rivera capped Boston's burst in the first with a two-run single and starter Dana Kiecker, 8-9, allowed just two hits over six innings.

''I hope there were a lot of young kids watching tonight because they saw a good example of how not to pitch with a big lead,'' Kiecker said.

Boston ace Roger Clemens, plagued since Sept. 4 by tendinitis in his pitching shoulder, is scheduled to return to the mound in the Toronto series. The right-hander is 20-6 with a 1.98 ERA. Boston is 6-14 since Clemens last pitched, when they were 6 1-2 games ahead of Toronto.

In other AL games, New York defeated Baltimore 4-2, Seattle beat Detroit 8-4, Chicago over Minnesota 3-1, Milwaukee blanked Toronto 6-0, Oakland edged Kansas City 3-2 and Texas halted California 6-2.

In the National League, it was: San Francisco 7, San Diego 6; New York 4, Montreal 0; Pittsburgh 4, Chicago 3; St. Louis 8, Philadelphia 1; Cincinnati 5 Atlanta 2 and Houston 10, Los Angeles 1.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Yankees 4, Orioles 2

At New York, Chuck Cary scattered five hits over 6 2-3 innings and Steve Balboni's solo homer ignited a two-run fourth inning. Cary, 6-11, walked two and fanned seven. Dave Righetti pitched the ninth to earn his 35th save and 223rd of his career, establishing a major-league record for saves by a left-hander. Former Yankee Sparkey Lyle held the old mark of 222.

Mariners 8, Tigers 4

At Detroit, Jay Buhner collected a career-best four hits, including a two-run homer and RBI single, leading Seattle over Detroit. Eric Hanson, 17-9, allowed three earned runs and six hits in 7 1-3 innings. Bill Swift earned his sixth save. Detroit starter Frank Tanana, 8-8, suffered the loss.

White Sox 3, Twins 1

At Chicago, Greg Hibbard and Bobby Thigpen combined on a four-hitter. Consecutive two-out singles by Carlton Fisk, Frank Thomas, Dan Pasqua and Robin Ventura produced two first-inning runs off Minnesota starter and loser Kevin Tapani, 11-8, who remained winless since July 30. Hibbard improved to 14-9 and Thigpen hurled a scoreless ninth for his major league record 54th save.

Brewers 6, Toronto 0

At Milwaukee, Ron Robinson tossed a seven-hitter to pace Milwaukee to a win

over Toronto, shaving the Blue Jays' lead in the American League East to a half game over Boston. Robinson, 12-4, worked his sixth complete game of the season and second career shutout. Loser David Wells, 11-5, allowed three runs on eight hits in seven innings.

Athletics 3, Royals 2

At Kansas City, Mo., Bob Welch became the first 26-game winner in the AL in 22 years. Welch, 26-6, became the first AL pitcher to win 26 games in a season since Denny McLain won 31 for the Detroit Tigers in 1968. Dennis Eckersley notched his 45th save in 47 save opportunities. Bret Saberhagen, 5-9, was the loser.

Rangers 6, Angels 2

At Arlington, Texas, Rafael Palmiero's two-run triple and the longest pitching stint of Kenny Rogers' major-league career brought Texas the victory. Rogers, 10-5, won his seventh straight decision while making only his second start of the year. Kirk McCaskill fell to 12-11.

-30- 4442

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - The New York Mets have to keep winning because the Pittsburgh Pirates aren't losing.

For the second consecutive night, the Mets beat the Montreal Expos but failed to reduce their three-game deficit to the National League East-leading Pirates because Pittsburgh defeated the Chicago Cubs twice.

The Pirates reduced their magic number to five. Pittsburgh and New York each have seven games left; three of those games are against each other in a season-ending series in Pittsburgh.

''We are holding in there. We have no control of what is happening in Pittsburgh,'' Mets Manager Bud Harrelson said. ''We have to keep winning and hope that they do lose.''

David Cone, 12-10, helped eliminate Montreal from the NL-East race by allowing only two hits over eight innings. Montreal moved to within 4 1/2 games of first place last Friday but then suffered six straight defeats.

''We are doing what we have to do. We are putting our blown opportunities and frustration behind us,'' Cone said. ''There is no better medicine than winning in another team's park.''

The Mets play Montreal Thursday and then host the Cubs in a three- game weekend series. Then it's on to Pittsburgh.

''New York has to take care of the New York Mets until we get to Pittsburgh,'' Mets center fielder Daryl Boston said. ''We can't concern ourselves with them too much until we see them.''

New York jumped on Expos starter Dennis Martinez, 10-11, for two runs in the first inning. Howard Johnson walked and stole second. Dave Magadan doubled Johnson home for a 1-0 lead.

In other NL games, Pittsburgh shaded Chicago 4-3, San Francisco edged San Diego 7-6, St. Louis routed Philadelphia 8-1, Cincinnati downed Atlanta 5-2 and Houston pummeled Los Angeles 10-1.

In the American League, it was: New York 4, Baltimore 2; Boston 7, Cleveland 2; Seattle 8, Detroit 4; Chicago 3, Minnesota 1; Milwaukee 6, Toronto 0, Oakland 3, Kansas City 2 and Texas 6, California 2.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Pirates 4, Cubs 3

At Pittsburgh, Andy Van Slyke keyed a four-run fifth inning with a two-run triple and Zane Smith scattered seven hits. Smith, 12-8 overall and 6-1 since Pittsburgh obtained him from Montreal last month, pitched his fourth complete game and third in nine starts for Pittsburgh. Kevin Coffman, 0-1, was the loserin his first major league start.

Giants 7, Padres 6

At San Francisco, Matt Williams hit two homers and drove in five runs, taking over the NL RBI lead with 119. Randy O'Neal, 1-0, won with 1 2-3 innings of relief. Steve Bedrosian pitched a scoreless ninth for his 16th save. Dennis Rasmussen, 11-15, gave up both Williams' homers and took the loss.

Cardinals 8, Phillies 1

At Philadelphia, Todd Zeile, Felix Jose and Rod Brewer knocked in two runs apiece to guide St. Louis. Bryn Smith, 9-8, gave up five hits in seven innings. Jose DeJesus, 6-8, suffered the loss.

Reds 5, Braves 2

At Cincinnati, Jose Rijo struck out 11 while scattering eight hits and Eric Davis smashed a two-run homer. The victory, Cincinnati's fifth in six games, reduced the Reds' magic number for clinching the NL West to three. Rijo, 14-7, walked none and retired 11 in a row at one point in notching his seventh complete game.

Astros 10, Dodgers 1

At Houston, Franklin Stubbs drove in a career-high six runs and Jim Deshaies scattered four hits. The loss dropped the Dodgers 4 1-2 games behind Cincinnati in the division. Stubbs had a bases-loaded double and a three-run homer against his former teammates. Deshaies, 7-12, won for the first time since Aug. 25 and improved to 7-0 against Los Angeles in the Astrodome.

-30- 3877

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TOKYO (SEPT. 27) UPI - Troops in Bhutan fired at pro-democracy demonstrators in six districts of the Asian country within the last week and killed hundreds of people, Japan's Kyodo News Agency reported Thursday.

Kyodo quoted written statements from several pro-democracy groups in Bhutan and C. J. Himali, a member of the Bhutan Support Group of Nepal, as saying at least 327 demonstrators were killed between last Thursday and Tuesday.

Himali also said nearly 500 people were shot and wounded during the army crackdown on demonstrators and about 2,000 were arrested, Kyodo said in the dispatch from the Nepalese capital Katmandu.

Many demonstrators were missing and believed killed in six districts, according to the written reports signed by officials of the Bhutan People's Party, the Students' Union of Bhutan, and the People's Forum for Human Rights in Bhutan, Kyodo said.

A poor kingdom in the eastern Himalayas between India and China, Bhutan became a British protectorate in 1910 and independent in 1949, but India guides its foreign policy. Bhutan became a kingdom in 1907 and did not open its doors to the outside world until the 1960s.

The Kyodo report said demonstrators were organized in the districts of Phuntsoling, Chamarchi, Samchi, Sibsu, Galefu, and Samrang.

The report said about half of the 327 killed died in Samrang last Friday.

In Samchi, one of the victems was allegedly shot inside an army vehicle after he was arrested, Kyodo said. At Chamarchi, near the Bhutan-Indian border, demonstrators were able to retrieve eight dead bodies after the army action, Kyodo said.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
Brett, KC	537	81	177	.330
RHenderson, Oak	469	114	152	.324
Palmeiro, Tex	569	71	184	.323
Trammell, Det	551	70	169	.307
Boggs, Bos	596	85	181	.304
EMartinez, Sea	486	70	146	.300
Griffey Jr., Sea	590	89	177	.300
CJames, Cle	511	60	153	.299
Parker, Mil	590	71	176	.298
Burks, Bos	560	85	167	.298

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Dykstra, Phi	573	102	186	.325
Murray, LA	534	93	173	.324
Magadan, NY	426	71	137	.322
Dawson, Chi	507	68	160	.316
Grace, Chi	565	71	178	.315
Gwynn, SD	573	79	177	.309
Roberts, SD	546	102	168	.308
LSmith, Atl	443	68	136	.307
Sandberg, Chi	597	113	182	.305

HOME RUNS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 48; McGwire, Oak 39; Canseco, Oak 37; McGriff, Tor 34; Gruber, Tor 30.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi 38; Strawberry, NY 37; Mitchell, SF 35; Bonds, Pit and M.Williams, SF 33; Bonilla, Pit 32.

RUNS BATTED IN

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 126; Gruber, Tor 113; McGwire, Oak 108; Canseco Oak 95; Parker, Mil and Sierra, Tex 92.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Williams, SF 119; Bonilla, Pit 116; Carter, SD 114; Bonds, Pit 113; Strawberry, NY 108.

DOUBLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Brett, KC 45; Jo.Reed and Boggs, Bos and Calderon, Chi 43; Harper, Min 41.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Jefferies, NY 39; Sabo, Cin, Bonilla, Pit and Johnson, NY, 37; Roberts, SD 36.

TRIPLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fernandez, Tor 17; Sosa, Chi 10; Liriano, Min 9; Burks, Bos and Johnson, Chi 8.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Duncan, Cin 11; Gwynn, SD 10; Coleman, StL 9; L.Smith, Atl, Dunston, Chi and Butler, SF 8.

STOLEN BASES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 63; Kelly, NY 40; Sax, NY 39; Pettis, Tex 37; Cole, Cle 36.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 61; Bonds, Pit 50; Nixon, Mtl 47; Raines, Mtl, Roberts, SD, and Butler, SF 45.

RUNS SCORED

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 114; Fielder, Det 99; Yount, Mil 98; Reynolds, Sea 95; Franco, Tex and Phillips, Det 93.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi 113; Bonilla, Pit 109; Bonds, Pit 103; Dykstra, Phi, Roberts, SD, and Gant, Atl 102.

HITS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Palmeiro, Tex 184; Boggs, Bos 181; Griffey Jr., Sea and Brett, KC, 177; Kelly, NY and Parker, Mil 176.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Dykstra, Phi 186; Sandberg, Chi 182; Larkin, Cin and Butler, SF 182; Wallach, Mtl and Grace, Chi 178.

VICTORIES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Welch, Oak 26; Stewart, Oak 22; Clemens, Bos 20; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 18.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Drabek, Pit 21; Martinez, LA and Viola, NY 19; Gooden, NY 18; Maddux, Chi, Burkett, SF and Browning and Rijo, Cin 14.

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 160 innings pitched)

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 1.98; Finley, Cal 2.49; Stewart, Oak 2.58; Appier, KC 2.84; Stieb, Tor 2.96.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Smith, Pit 2.61; Whitson, SD 2.63; Viola, NY 2.71; Rijo, Cin and Boyd, Mtl 2.75.

STRIKEOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Ryan, Tex 221; Witt, Tex 215; Hanson, Sea and Clemens, Bos 204; Langston, Cal 190.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Cone, NY 221; Martinez, LA 220; Gooden, NY 208; Fernandez, NY 178; Viola, NY 172.

SAVES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Thigpen, Chi 54; Eckersley, Oak 45; Jones, Cle 41; Righetti, NY 35; Olson, Bal 34.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Franco, NY 33; Myers, Cin 30; L.Smith, StL 27; Smith, Hou and Lefferts, SD 23.

COMPLETE GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Morris, Det and Stewart, Oak 10; Finley, Cal, Witt, Tex, Young, Sea and Clemens, Bos 7.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 11; Maddux, Chi, Drabek, Pit and Hurst, SD 8; De.Martinez, Mtl, Rijo, Cin and Viola, NY 7.

SHUTOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Stewart, Oak and Clemens, Bos 4; Appier, KC, Perez, Chi and Morris, Det 3.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Morgan, LA and Hurst, SD 4; Gardner and Boyd, Mtl, Martinez, LA, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (SEPT. 27) UPI - Eighteen governments are protesting intensified political repression by Burma's military junta, which has detained and interrogated Burmese citizens working at foreign embassies, a senior diplomat said Thursday.

Inside Burma, meanwhile, Buddhist monks upset over the deaths of two monks shot by security police have effectively excommunicated military families in a move that is having a ''major impact,'' the diplomat said.

Earlier, official Rangoon radio announced the arrests of three people for writing and distributing poetry ridiculing the military junta, which has so far refused to turn over power to a legislature elected in May.

''A large number of governments, an increasing number of governments, view with horror what is continuing to happen in Burma,'' said a Rangoon-based diplomat who asked not to be identified.

The diplomat said the 12 European Community nations, joined by the United States, Japan, Sweden, Australia, Canada and New Zealand, recently issued a tough verbal protest against Burmese military repression in Rangoon.

The protest cited the recent arrests of the leaders of the National League for Democracy which swept 80 percent of the seats in the elections, continued repression of free speech, and moves away from a promised return to democracy.

It also protested the detention and interrogation of Burmese staff working for foreign embassies and raids carried out by armed troops on embassy compounds in violation of the Vienna agreements on diplomatic rights.

In the past 10 days, Burmese staff from the U.S., British and Australian embassies have been taken away for as much as four days of interrogation in a prison north of Rangoon, the diplomat said.

The questioning, he said, focused on the activities and opinions of embassy officials and their contacts with civilian political leaders.

The detentions were part of a campaign to intimidate the Burmese people to allow the military to maintain its 30-year domination of Burma despite the opposition party' s overwhelming election victory, he said.

Rangoon radio, in a broadcast Wednesday night, said Sein Hlaing, 35, Myo Myint Nyein, 38, and Nyan Paw, 36, were arrested earlier this month for commissioning distributing or writing ''poems that criticize, slander, and ridicule the leaders of the Defense Services.''

The diplomat said the arrests were part of the repressive campaign that has included torture, beatings, intimidation and firing into crowds of protesters.

''Their repression of their own people is continuing at exactly the same level if not intensified, as compared to before the election,'' the diplomat said.

The military, however, has been shaken, he said, by the action of the Buddhist leadership to effectively excommunicate all military families by refusing to perform marriages or alms ceremonies for them. The Buddhists are protesting the deaths of at least two monks shot by security police in Mandalay last month.

''This is having a very major impact on the rank and file of the military,'' he said.

Tuesday Maj. Gen. Tin U, a junta member, warned Buddhist monks against becoming involved in politics.

''Venerable abbots and monks should only practice their religion and work for religious affairs,'' he said in a radio broadcast. ''Arrangements are being made to enable the venerable monks to do this.''

The diplomat said Buddhist protests against the regime have spread from Mandalay to nearby cities.

''We do not believe that the Burmese people will continue to put up with this totally undemocratic, brutal military regime forever,'' he said.

He said there were signs some officers in the military were disquited by the junta's tough policies and would support negotiations with the civilian political parties on power-sharing arrangements.

But the key leaders in the junta have made it clear ''they have no intention of handing over power.''

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#90270u0328 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 27) UPI - Wet ground from earlier rains combined with cool overnight temperatures Thursday to create a blanket of fog from Kentucky to Vermont, while storms rocked Kansas and streams flooded in Idaho.

Temperatures warmed across the South as high pressure remained in the region, bringing low temperatures in the 60s and highs in the 80s.

Rain during the day Wednesday left the ground wet in the Northeast and Middle Atlantic states and when cool night air met the warmer moisture, a blanket of fog was formed in several states.

Driving was perilous during Thursday's morning rush hour in Pennsylvania, New York, Vermont, Kentucky, Maryland and Virginia, and forecasters warned motorists to be especially careful in valleys and other low lying areas where fog was thickest.

Visibility was near zero in parts of south central New York state, the National Weather Service said.

Showers and thunderstorms stretched across northeast Kansas and heavy rain was reported about 20 miles north of the town of Manhattan.

To the west, thunderstorms with heavy rain and hail hit the southwestern Idaho valleys including Boise, flooding small streams and streets. Knee-deep water was reported in downtown Boise and 3 feet of water covered streets in surrounding areas.

Cool temperatures and cloudy skies covered New England and the Midwest had mostly clear skies.

Clear skies covered the West with some local fog, especially along the coast, and temperatures dipped into the 50s in Washington state and were in the 60s in Southern California.

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#90270u0338 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 27) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait:

NEW YORK - The United States says Iraq's demand for a list of personnel at the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad is ''repugnant'' and the Bush administration will ignore the warning that hiding foreigners from authorities is punishable by death. Secretary of State James Baker, speaking in New York, said the Bush administration will not comply with the demand. ''That's absolutely right,'' Baker said when asked if he would refuse to give the names of the Americans as requested in Iraq's diplomatic note. ''We have read it, it's repugnant and we've rejected it.''

PARIS - Ten diplomats from the French embassy in Baghdad expelled from Iraq arrived in Paris Thursday as the first French troops began taking up position in Northern Saudi Arabia, officials said. France ordered the 4,000 troops deployed after Iraqi soldiers raided its embassy in occupied Kuwait earlier this month and seized three French citizens who had sought refuge there.

AMMAN, Jordan - Jordan announced it was suspending all flights between Amman and the Iraqi capital Baghdad to comply with the U.N. air embargo on Iraq, hours after it allowed Iraqi Airways planes carrying some Westerners to land. ''The government of Jordan decided to impose the ban after news reports accused our country of breaking sanctions against Iraq,'' said one Jordanian Foreign Ministry official.

CHICAGO - President Bush moved to quell energy jitters by saying Wednesday night he would authorize a test sale of 5 million barrels of oil from the nation's strategic reserve of 590 million barrels. The president also said he was taking the action in response to oil price gouging in the wake of the invasion.

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia - A U.S. Navy helicopter crashed into the Red Sea during

a routine training mission Wednesday but officials said all 17 occupants escaped before it sank. The Navy said an investigation was ordered into what caused the helicopter to crash about 5,000 yards from the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy, where the chopper was based.

LANDING ZONE FOSS, Saudi Arabia - Marine Commandant Alfred Gray ordered his hot and dusty men Wednesday to banish boredom and morale problems and keep focused on their mission in the Saudi desert, where he said will probably last six months. ''Is it going to be easy? Hell no,'' the ruddy-faced four-star general said. ''Are we going to do it? Hell yes.''

TOKYO - Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu is expected to announce Thursday his proposal for amending Japanese law to allow the deployment of non- combat troops to the gulf, news reports said. Kaifu will propose a ''U.N. Peace Cooperation Corps'' of unarmed military personnel and civilians, the Kyodo News Service said.

PARIS - Terrorist leader Mohammed Abul Abbas warned Wednesday of a ''war without limits'' if Iraq is attacked and threatened to strike the United States and Western Europe. He said Palestinians support Iraq because it was the first country to link the Palestinian cause to the Persian Gulf and the petroleum crisis.

BUCHAREST, Romania - The Romanian government offered American, Canadian and British soldiers and their wives and children hotel accommodations at Black Sea resorts for rest and recreation during the gulf crisis. The government will also send mineral water to troops involved in Operation Desert Shield, the official news agency Rompres said.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - Around the World... Around the Clock... the latest news from U-P-I: .

President Bush is taking steps to quell energy jitters stemming from the Persian Gulf crisis. He said outside Chicago last night he will authorize a test sale of five-Million barrels of oil from the nation's strategic petroleum reserve. He says the oil market ''is very tight,'' but says there is enough to meet current needs. .

Crude oil prices rose on world markets yesterday... because of rumors about the Persian Gulf crisis. One rumor said a U-S warplane was shot down in the Middle East, but the Pentagon denied it. In Europe, oil rose to more than 40-dollars a barrel, and in New York it closed at more than 38-dollars.

Budget negotiators came up short again last night in their bid to reach agreement on a 500-BILLION-dollar deficit reduction plan. Little progress was

reported in talks that recessed late last night. The negotiations resume this afternoon. If NO agreement is reached by Monday, automatic budget cuts go into effect.

David Souter is virtually assured of approval today when the Senate Judiciary Committee votes on his nomination to the Supreme Court. Two liberal Democrats yesterday said they would support Souter, which gives him a total of four Democrats and all six Republicans. The full Senate could vote as early as next week.

The movie industry scrapped its X-rating and replaced it with ''N-C- 17''- NO Children under 17. The Motion Picture Association changed the system in response to criticism of its X-category. Critics say the X- rating, usually associated with pornography, UNfairly taints legitimate adult-oriented movies.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange continued to fall Thursday, as investor interest failed to recover from the impact of Wednesday's 4.7 percent plunge.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which plunged 1, 108.70 points Wednesday, fell another 478.71 points - or 2.2 percent - to 21,771.91 - its lowest close since Jan. 5, 1988.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, which dropped 67.92 points Wednesday, slid another 31.18 points to 1,620.26 - its lowest level in nearly four years.

Declines hammered advances 856 to 102, while 64 issues remanined unchanged.

Trading was heavier than had been seen in recent days but remained light for the market's historical average as an estimated 430 million shares changed hands, up from 365 million shares Wednesday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks closed slightly lower in moderate trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as stocks continued to slump as a result of the Gulf crisis.

The Hang Seng Index, which fell 28.76 points Wednesday, lost another 10.79 points to 2,767.95.

Among the narrower indexes, properties rose 15.64 points, industrials shed 1.33, financials dropped 1.87 and utilities tumbled 60.74 points.

An estimated 560 million shares changed hands, compared with 690 million shares on Wednesday.

In Bangkok, stocks closed slightly higher in moderate trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange as foreign investors returned to the market.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index, which gained 11.11 points Wednesday, added another 5.09 points to 630.15.

An estimated 1.4 billion shares chnaged hands, up from the 1.2 billion shares Wednesday.

In Singapore, stocks closed mixed in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

In Australia, stock prices closed mixed in light trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which eased 7.8 points Wednesday, rebounded the same 7.8 points to 1,393.6. The All Industrials index lost a modest 2.0 points to 2,027.67 and the All Resources index eased 1.4 points to 878.3.

An estimated 86.6 milliion shares changed hands, compared with 95 million shares Wednesday.

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CICERO, IND. (SEPT. 27) UPI - Authorities offered a reward for information about the vandalism to the grave of Ryan White, who became known worldwide during his five-year struggle against AIDS.

Hamilton County Sheriff's Deputy Gene Stilts said damage to the area at the Cicero Cemetery was minor.

Stilts said the vandalism was believed to have occurred Sept. 14. He said flowers were pulled from pots and tossed around and a maroon metal- and-glass candle holder was thrown aside as were statues of angels.

The monument was not damaged and Stilts said he replaced the candle holder.

White was 18 when he died April 8 after battling acquired immune deficiency syndrome through a blood transfusion. He became internationally known after he and his mother, Jeanne, battled with officials to allow him to attend public school. He became a symbol of AIDS education and a source of inspiration for those suffering from the disease.

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#90270u0593 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled 403,000 for the week ending Sept. 15, an increase of 21,000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 26: Purchases of 379,917 shares and sales of 532,683 shares including 52,401 shares sold short.

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#90270u0610 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

TUNIS, Tunisia (SEPT. 27) UPI - The meeting of the Arab League had hardly opened Thursday when the Kuwaiti and Iraqi ambassadors squared off.

Iraqi Ambassador Alouane Jabouri began by complaining about Kuwait's presence at the session of the Arab League's governing council on grounds the Persian Gulf emirate no longer exists as an independent state.

Kuwaiti Ambassador Nasser al Jihane replied: ''Here is new proof that Iraq wants to divide the Arabs. It is Iraq that is destroying Arab security.''

''Who has been excluded from the Asian games? Iraq,'' the Kuwaiti ambassador said in answering his own question. ''Who is absent today from the United Nations and is hiding in Baghdad if not Tariq Aziz,'' he asked referring to the Iraqi foreign minister.

''By contrast, Kuwait is present everywhere,'' he said.

Tapping his hand on the table to stop his Kuwaiti counterpart, Jabouri replied: ''It is not Tariq Aziz that is hiding but those that have invited the imperialist forces to their countries so they can hide under their boots.''

The brief session broke up after the Palestine Liberation Organization passed the group's rotating presidency to Qatar.

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#90270u0615 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 27) UPI - Authorities say a well armed man has barricaded himself in a hotel bar near the University of California campus at Berkeley. Police say the gunman shot a police officer and possibly more people in the Durant Hotel. The wounded have been taken to hospitals. Police have surrounded the hotel, but there is NO word on whether they have made contact with the gunman.

Secretary of State Baker says the Bush administration will NOT comply with Iraq's demand for a list of U-S Embassy workers in Baghdad. Baker told New York reporters the demand was- in his words- ''repugnant and we've rejected it.'' Iraq called for the list of Americans on the grounds that hiding foreigners amounts to ''a crime of espionage'' which carries a death sentence.

Government leaders at the U-N General Assembly want to give peace a chance in the Persian Gulf crisis. British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd told reporters yesterday have ''to give the precious time for peace to build up'' Hurd says he expects the U-S-led multi-national force to stay in the gulf ''longer than three months. The multi-national force was deployed after Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2nd.

Soviet lawmakers have adopted in principle a bill to end seven decades of official atheism. The Soviet news agency Tass says the bill upholds separation of church and state- quoting- ''as has been accepted in all civilized countries.'' Deputies in the Supreme Soviet halted discussion on the matter until Monday, after they accepted the bill in principle, but failed to put it into effect.

Another New York City youth was shot and killed early today... hit by a stray bullet. 13-year-old Levy Mitchell died in a Bronx hospital after he was struck by gunfire while visiting friends in the Bronx. He's the sixth New York City youth to be hit by random gunfire since Friday. Police arrested a 15-year-old boy for shooting a 13-year-old girl yesterday. She is in stable condition after being hit by a stray bullet.

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#90270u0621 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 27) UPI - Japan's Kyodo news agency reports troops in Bhutan fired at pro- democracy protesters in six districts of the Asian nation during the past week. The report says hundreds of people were killed. The news agency quotes statements from several pro-democracy groups in Bhutan indicating 327 demonstrators were killed between last Thursday and Tuesday. Bhutan is a poverty-stricken kingdom in the eastern Himalayans between India and China.

Police in Saugus, Massachusetts, are searching for a tall, muscular man who allegedly tried to abduct a five-year-old boy. Police say the boy bit his attacker in the face and escaped. Police say the boy was walking across a street to his home last night when a white car pulled up and the driver tried to pull him inside. The child bit the man and he let him go.

A Georgia textbook panel ignored charges of a ''witch hunt'' and rejected a controversial ''Impressions'' reading series for the state's elementary schools. Opponents of the series complain that it dwells on witches, ghouls and New Age ideas. A panel's 13-8 vote last night, virtually assures the series will be used in few, if any, Georgia public schools. Publisher Harcourt

Brace says only 22 of 822 stories in ''Impressions'' mentions ghosts or goblins.

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#90270u0642 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (SEPT. 27) UPI - Iran's ruling clerics have asked people to turn out in large numbers for demonstrations against the presence of U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf, Tehran radio said Thursday.

In broadcasts monitored in Athens, the radio called on people to assemble at five points in Tehran on Friday and march toward the Tehran University prayer grounds to protest the presence of U.S. troops in the region.

The call was made by the Committee to Coordinate Islamic Propaganda, which asked for similar demonstrations to be held simultaneously in other Iranian cities.

Since the Persian Gulf crisis began with the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2, Iranian clerics have expressed more concern about the growing presence of U.S. troops in the area than Iraq's occupation of its neighbor.

On Sept. 12, Iranian religious leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei said a struggle against the U.S. presence in the region would be counted as a Jihad, or holy war, and that anyone killed in the struggle would be considered a martyr.

Iran has expressed little sympathy for its Arab neighbors in the gulf threatened by Iraqi expansionism.

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#90270u0643 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (SEPT. 27) UPI - Georgia-Pacific Corp. said Thursday it completed definitive agreements to sell containerboard and packaging assets and related timberland to Packaging Corp. of America and GE Capital in a $740 million deal.

The transaction, previously announced, was approved by Georgia- Pacific's board of directors Wednesday.

Included in the sale are a linerboard mill at Valdosta, Ga., a corrugatingmill at Tomahawk, Wis., 19 box plants, approximately 540,000 acres of timberland which Georgia-Pacific owns, and cutting rights to a substantial amount of additional timberland.

PCA, a subsidiary of Houston-based Tenneco Inc., and GE Capital are committed to enter into agreements leasing to PCA the assets that GE Capital acquires from Georgia-Pacific.

The transaction, which is expected to be completed by the end of the year, is subject to termination of the waiting periods under the federal antitrust premerger notification rules, completion of the lease arrangements between GE Capital and PCA, and completion of the financing for the assets GE Capital is acquiring.

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#90270u0648 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (SEPT. 27) UPI - The Olympic Council of Asia Thursday selected Bangkok to host the 1998 Asian Games, but decided to postpone for six months the appointment of a new president to replace the Kuwaiti sheik slain in the Iraqi invasion in August.

Bangkok was chosen ahead of Djakarta and Taipei. The 1994 Games had already been awarded to Hiroshima, Japan.

The AOC delayed taking any action over the presidential vacancy because of a split in ranks.

Former president Sheikh Fahad Al Ahmad Al-Sabah, half-brother of the now exiled-emir, was killed Aug. 2 defending the Royal Palace against the invading Iraqis.

His son, Sheik Ahmed Fahad Al-Sabah, was among the candidates for the presidency, along with Chinese International Olympic Committee Vice President He Zhenliang, Indonesian tycoon Bob Hassam and Sri Lanka's Roy de Silva.

''I didn't want to have the election now because I wanted to preserve the solidarity of Asia,'' announced the 30-year-old sheik, saying he had a majority of 24 votes.

Some delegates believed Sheikh Ahmed was too inexperienced for the position, but others felt it necessary to preserve annexed Kuwaiti's high profile in Asian sports.

Hong Kong delegate A. De O. Sales, who chaired the meeting, said the decision was deferred ''to let the dust settle and to give people proper perspective.''

He said under the OCA constitution there was an age minimum for president of 35 years old, but ''the general assembly is empowered to suspend or waive those qualifications and if the rules were suspended, Fahad could be the president.

''The atmosphere was a happy one but not docile,'' he said.

The decision to postpone was ''an overwhelming majority,'' Sales said.

The meeting will be held in Saudi Arabia which was chosen ahead of Japan. The Kuwait national olympic committee has been based in Riyadh since the Iraqi invasion.

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#90270u0663 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) UPI - The fate of an employee buyout of United Airlines dominated the agenda of the regular monthly meeting of UAL Corp. directors Thursday as the Oct. 9 deadline for financing the deal drew closer.

The UAL board already has extended the deadline once; it was originally Aug. 9. But Iraq's invasion of Kuwait - and resulting higher fuel costs and lower earnings for airlines - have stymied employee efforts to line up bank backing for the $4.4 billion, $201 a share bid.

Analysts are unanimous that a buyout cannot be financed at that price. That investors agree is evident in the price of UAL stock - more than $100 below the buyout price.

Directors faced new pressure to bolster stock value as they convened Thursday to get a progress report on the buyout and review possible options - including an expected scaled-down offer by employees and a restructuring backed by UAL Chairman Stephen Wolf.

United Employee Acquisition Corp. - which groups the pilots, flight attendants and machinists unions and non-union UAL employees - were trying to sell directors on a revised offer worth about $3.7 billion.

Under that plan, the employee group would acquire 80 percent of UAL for about $175 per share - $150 of it in cash, and the remainder in preferred stock and a ''stub.''

United Employee Acquisition has pitched the proposal to 26 banks and set next Thursday as a tentative deadline for banks to join the $2 billion financing package. As an incentive, it is offering bank and loan syndication fees totaling around $210 million.

But a source close to Wolf said the UAL chairman was adamantly opposed to any scaling down of the $4.4 billion bid and believed there were better alternatives available to boost stock value.

Wolf and UAL Executive Vice President John Pope - the company's chief financial officer and a member of the board - were buttonholing outside directors to back an extensive restructuring and expansion plan, board sources said.

Going into Thursday's meeting, the 11 outside directors were reported almost

evenly divided between working with the employee group on a revised buyout plan and letting the clock run out on the employee bid to pursue Wolf's course of restructuring and expansion.

But the collapse of an employee buyout could spell labor trouble for UAL.

All three of the airline's unions - the Airline Pilots' Association, the Association of Flight Attendants and the International Association of Machinists - are working under open contracts.

The unions agreed to a moratorium on labor negotiations while pursuing the employee buyout. As a result, United's labor costs have been lower than those of other carriers. They also have agreed to massive concessions as part of the buyout.

But if the buyout disintegrates, UAL will have to deal with the unions at the bargaining table.

Leaders of United's pilots union already have served notice they will be making tough demands for retroactive pay and benefits improvements - if the employee buyout fails and they return to negotiations.

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#90270u0681 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (SEPT. 27) UPI - Monica Seles and Jennifer Capriati lost quarterfinal matches Thursday in the $350,000 Nichirei International Ladies Tennis Championships.

Top seed Martina Navratilova enjoyed an easier day, routing Stephanie Rehe 6-1 6-3 in the second round.

No. 8 seed Stephanie Frazier upset Seles, the 16-year-old French Open champion 5-7, 7-5, 6-2. Seles, the No. 2 seed from Yugoslavia, sprained her ankle during the second set.

No. 3 Katerina Maleeva of Bulgaria dropped No. 6 seed Capriati 7-6 (7-4), 3-6, 7-6 (7-3).

In the other second-round matches, No. 4 Mary Joe Fernandez of Miami beat Cristina Tessi of Argentina 6-3, 6-1; No. 5 seed Helena Sukova of Czechoslovakia downed American Marianne Werdel 6-7 (4-7), 6-3, 6-2; and No. 7 Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere of Bulgaria topped Peanut Louie Harper of San Francisco 6-2, 6-2.

Friday, Navratilova meets Maleeva-Fragniere while Fernandez faces Sukova in the quarterfinals. Frazier plays Katerina Maleeva Saturday in the semifinals.

All of Seles' previous three matches with Frazier went three sets, with Seles winning each. However, after coming from a 4-0 deficit in the second set to take a 5-4 lead, Seles slipped and sprained her ankle while leading 30-15. Frazier rallied to break Seles' serve then won the next two games to force a third set, which she won easily.

Capriati, the 14-year-old rookie pro from Wesley Chapel, Fla., led 30-0 while serving for the match, but failed to put Katerina Maleeva away. Capriati also led 4-3 in the tie-breaker, but Maleeva rallied to win the final four points to take the match.

Fernandez fell behind 3-2 to Tessi in the opening set and double- faulted to trail 40-0 before serving an ace and ripping a pair of forehand winners to force the game to deuce. Tessi's two unforced errors gave the game to Fernandez, and she dominated the rest of the match.

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NEW DELHI, INDIA (SEPT. 27) UPI - A high school student set himself ablaze and police shot dead one demonstrator Thursday as sporadic protests against a federal job quota program flared despite a police order barring public assembly.

Police fired at angry mobs in at least two different sections of the city, killing one person and wounding at least six others, the Press Trust of India news agency reported. In one case, the rampaging youths burned vehicles and looted shops, the agency said.

In the western part of the capital, high school student Anil Kumar poured fuel on his body and set himself ablaze in protest over the job quota system. At least eight other people have set themselves ablaze since Sept. 19, including one who later died.

In a gruesome twist to the wave of self-immolations, a man who worked as a clothes washer in northern Himachal Pradesh state reportedly set himself ablaze Wednesday night to protest the continued anti-job quota strikes in the region.

A government administrator told the Press Trust of India that the man said he was ''fed up'' with the continued strikes because he was poor and his children were starving.

Clashes, demonstrations and protest suicide attempts also were reported in several states across the northern part of the country, but the level of violence Thursday was considerably lower than the previous two days.

At least 11 people have been shot dead by police since Tuesday, when violent

protests erupted in reaction to the death of a student who set himself ablaze to protest a government decision to reserve 27 percent of all federal jobs for the so-called backward classes.

Prime Minister V.P. Singh, who announced the program Aug. 7, issued a televised appeal for calm Wednesday night, but he rejected calls for his resignation and said he would not overturn his decision to implement the job quota scheme.

Police issued an order Wednesday night barring the public assembly of more the five people in many areas of the capital. The order also outlawed demonstrations and slogan-shouting.

Curfews have been imposed on several cities across north India because of the violence.

High-caste youths oppose the job reservation scheme because it will restrict ability to enter India's government service. They also charge that the move will enshrine the caste system in law and increase government inefficiency by eliminating merit.

Proponents of job reservation say it will give lower-caste citizens, who represent about 54 percent of India's 830 million people, a better opportunity to obtain government employment, which traditionally has been the domain of the upper castes.

The latest quota decision will not affect the harijans, or untouchables, who are at the bottom of the caste system. Since the 1950s, 22.5 percent of all federal jobs have been reserved for them.

Under the ancient caste system, Hindus are born into four basic levels of society, with the priestly Brahmins at the top and the untouchables, who are restricted to menial tasks, at the bottom. Traders, farmers and others belong to the two intermediate castes.

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KINGSTON, MASS. (SEPT. 27) UPI - A church deacon faced arraignment Thursday for allegedly murdering his young neighbor after police investigating the teenager's disappearance found her body buried in his basement.

Henry Meinholz, 52, a bookkeeper for a lumber company, was arrested Wednesday after the body was discovered in his cellar.

The body was exhumed after authorities obtained a court order, and investigators were waiting the results of an autopsy Thursday to confirm their suspicions that it was the remains of Melissa Benoit.

Benoit, 13, vanished Sept. 15 after spending the afternoon watching television at another neighbor's house. She is believed to have left that house, located 50 feet from her own, to visit the grave of her father, who died one year ago last week.

Her disappearance sparked a massive search and nationally televised pleas for her safe return. Henry Meinholz and his wife reportedly were among the hundreds of neighbors and friends who combed the South Shore town looking for the missing girl.

About 90 minutes after the body was found, Plymouth County District Attorney William O'Malley announced that Meinholtz had been charged in the eighth-grader's murder.

Benoit lived with her mother one door away from the Meinholtz house in Kingston, a quiet community of 4,300 about 25 miles southeast of Boston.

His attorney said Meinholtz would plead innocent to the charge at his arraignment in Plymouth District Court, but offered no further comment.

Melissa's disappearance was brought to a national audience Sept. 21 when Benoit's mother, Diane Richard, appealed for her daughter's return on the television program ''America's Most Wanted.''

Kingston Police Chief Alan Ballinger said ''investigative techniques'' and questioning of several people led them to Meinholz, but he declined to elaborate. He said the psychics played no role in the discovery of the body.

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#90270u0715 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

JACKSON, MS (SEPT. 27) UPI - Security Savings and Loan Association of Jackson has accused federal regulators of reneging on contracts signed in the mid-1980s when it took over two struggling thrifts with government assistance.

The allegation was made in a U.S. District Court suit filed Wednesday against the Office of Thrift Supervision, the agency that oversees savings and loans. The suit does not affect the day-to-day operations of Security, which has 17 branches.

In the suit, Security alleges the government refuses to honor contract terms because of changes in accounting policy brought about by the 1989 federal savings and loan bailout bill.

Security is seeking restitution of about $24 million if the court rules the contract terms invalid.

H.C. Bailey, Security's chairman and chief executive officer, told a news conference the government's decision not to honor the contracts could force the thrift to sell subsidiaries to raise money to meet government capital standards for savings and loans.

''We do not believe that the government or the regulators have the authority to abrogate the contractural rights,'' Bailey said. ''In any business transaction you have to rely on contracts and agreements, and that is the whole basis of our lawsuit. I clearly think we are being penalized for helping the government.''

Security, which has about $306 million in assets, was an aggressive acquirer of ailing savings and loans in the 1980s because of its sound financial position.

The dispute revolves around Security's acquiring North Mississippi Savings and Loan in Oxford in 1984 and Security Trust Savings and Loan in Knoxville, Tenn. in 1985.

Security alleges in the suit that the dispute centers on the way government assistance was listed on the balance sheet. It said the government agreed to let $9 million of income capital certificates issued and $3.5 million in cash contributions from the FSLIC be listed as assets. Additionally, about $11 million in good will - the price paid more than an institution's actual value - could be treated as an asset.

''Without these benefits, Security would not have been willing to make these acquisitions,'' Bailey said. ''We would never have acquired the first S&L.''

Security officials said the government reneged on the contract terms following passage of the bailout plan in August 1989 and that talks with regulators have proven fruitless.

''We have never gotten a definitive answer explaining why they will not honor the contrats,'' said John Shows, a Security executive vice president and legal counsel.

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#90270u0726 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 27) UPI - Police in the Philippines say suspected rebel soldiers exploded bombs at a toothpaste firm and two drug labs, causing minor damage but NO injuries. The bombings are part of a new offensive apparently aimed at multi-national and American companies.

The president's son, Neil Bush, is expected to testify today at a Denver hearing on his role in the 1988 collapse of Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan. Neil Bush served for three years as an outside director of Silverado.

The unification of the two Germanys takes place next Wednesday, and Berlin authorities are concerned that radical protests might mar the ceremonies. Officials say a rampage by radical youths last Sunday might indicate more to come.

In New York City this morning, a 13-year-old boy who was visiting friends in the Bronx died after being shot in the chest. Levy Mitchell is the sixth child struck by random gunfire in the city since Friday. He's the 21st shot since July 22nd.

In Kingston, Massachusetts, the next-door neighbor of a missing teen- ager was charged with the girl's murder after police found a body buried in his basement. 52-year-old Henry Meinholz reportedly had helped in the search for the girl.

The National Football League commissioner has ordered New England Patriots receiver Zeke Mowatt to appear at league offices by tomorrow to discuss an alleged sexual harassment incident. Mowatt was fined by team management for verbally abusing a woman reporter last week in the team's locker room.

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#90270u0776 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - World Bank President Barber Conable said Thursday he believes the global lending institution has adequate resources and programs to handle any short-term economic distruptions caused by rising oil prices.

Conable, in a briefing for reporters before the start of the final session of the joint annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank, said some new programs may be needed if oil prices remain inflated for a prolonged period.

''We are not pushing for a facility now because we don't want a facility until it is needed,'' he said. ''''If this crisis extends into '' extends into

Conable also reiterated support for a plan launched by IMF Managing Director Michel Camdessus calling for countries profiting from higher oil prices to contribute the windfall to a special fund to help less fortunate nations.

''Clearly we'd expect those who have a windfall to reflect that in their relationship with the global community,'' he said.

The World Bank's president also said it is important any emergency lending programs be designed to meet short-term needs rather than alter long-range economic planning.

Conable's remarks came a day after the first meeting of the U.S.-led Gulf Crisis Financial Coordination Group, a multilateral effort to boost the economies of countries most severely affected by rising oil prices.

Since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of neighboring Kuwait, oil prices have more than doubled and several countries have begun feeling the pinch. The World Bank has projected the global economy will slow this year because of higher oil prices, marking the first slowdown in seven years.

''It's obvious the gulf crisis accentuates the problems of development,'' he said.

Richard Prebble, New Zealand's minister of state owned enterprises, said in an address to international bankers and finance officials from 152 nations that economic mistakes made during previous oil shocks are still haunting the global economy.

''Many countries, including New Zealand, which borrowed heavily in an effort to cocoon themselves from higher prices, are still laboring unde the resulting debt burden,'' Prebble said.

''Those countries which recovered quickly from the shocks were those which implemented policies such as allowing higher prices to flow through to oil users and keeping monetary policy firm.''

Prebble said more expensive oil is not deadly to economic progress, but failing to respond to the increases appropriately can be very costly.

''The world economy cannot afford to ignore the lessons of the past,'' he said. ''The lesson from the oil shock of the 1970s is that higher oil prices need not lead to either inflation or recession.''

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#90270u0780 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS, IL (SEPT. 27) UPI - Two Zeigler Coal Co. mines remained closed Thursday in the wake of a pay dispute that has affected about 528 miners.

A spokesman for Zeigler also said Thursday the firm planned to lay off 53 miners effective Monday at the two idled mines.

''One has nothing to do with the other,'' said Jim Telle, a spokesman for Zeigler. ''The layoffs were planned before this came up.''

Telle said about 238 miners walked off the job Tuesday at Old Ben No. 24 and about 290 miners did the same Wednesday at Old Ben 26. Both mines are near Sesser, Ill.

The walkout was to protest an announcement that employees would be paid on Friday rather than Tuesday.

Zeigler bought four Illinois-based Old Ben mines in July from British Petroleum. Telle said the change was to get the Old Ben pay periods in line with other Zeigler operations in Illinois.

Zeigler President Mike Reilly said the layoffs are necessary to maintain competitiveness in a slow market.

Telle said the layoffs effective Monday would involve about 21 miners at Old Ben No. 24 and 32 miners at Old Ben No. 26.

Telle said he knew of no negotitations between company and union officials and assumed both mines would also be closed on Friday.

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INDIANAPOLIS (SEPT. 27) UPI - The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved a device made by the Indianapolis-based Eli Lilly and Co. to treat patients with clogged arteries.

Lilly officers said Wednesday the tool, called the Simpson Coronary AtherCath, is an atherectomy catheter that removes the material clogging the blood vessel rather than just flattening it.

The device is the first of its kind to gain FDA approval, Lilly said. The tool cuts, captures and removes plaque, which causes clogging.

The device is made and sold by Devices for Vascular Intervention Inc., a California company that Lilly bought for $50 million in 1989.

Physicians currently use a procedure in which a balloon catheter is inserted into the artery and inflated to flatten the plaque.

The Indiana Heart Institute helped test the new Lilly tool.

''It's an important device,'' said Bruce F. Waller, a cardiac pathologist with the institute. ''It has specific uses and it will add to the tools we have available, but it's not going to sweep everything else off the table.''

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - A stand-off continues in Berkeley, California, where a ''well-armed'' gunman has killed one student and wounded at least eight other

people in a hotel bar near the University of California campus. Police say the gunman is believed to be holding more than a dozen people at gunpoint. Several people managed to escape or were freed as the four- hour hostage drama dragged on. One of the wounded was a police officer.

President Bush is moving to ease worries about energy in the wake of the Persian Gulf crisis. He told a G-O-P fund-raiser near Chicago last night that he will O-K a test sale of five-Million barrels of oil from the nation's strategic reserve of 590-Million barrels. Bush says he's acting in response to oil price gouging on world markets after Iraq invaded Kuwait last month.

Secretary of State Baker meets again today with his Soviet counterpart to discuss co-operation, including military co-ordination. Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze met for four hours yesterday, but discovered they had too many topics and NOT enough time. Hence, a meeting this afternoon in New York City, where both men are visiting the United Nations.

David Souter managed to keep quiet about his views on abortion during his Senate Judiciary Committee hearings. Today, the panel votes on his Supreme court nomination. Souter has won the support of two liberals on the panel- Senators Patrick Leahy of Vermont and Herb Kohl of Wisconsin- making approval a certainty. Both men praised Souther as being open-minded.

A teen-ager visiting friends in the Bronx has become the sixth child in New York City to be hit by a stray bullet since Friday. Police say 13-year-old Levy Mitchell was shot in the chest and taken to Bronx- Lebanon Hospital where he died this morning. Since Friday, six children have been hit by gunfire in New York, including a 12-year-old girl who died Sunday.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - In South Africa, an earthquake shook the city of Welcom, 170 miles southwest of Johannesburg, killing two gold miners. Researchers say the quake measured four-point seven on the Richter scale and lasted several seconds. Officials say falling rocks in a gold mine killed two miners and injured five other people.

The movie industry did away with its X-rating yesterday in favor of ''N-C-17 '' meaning, ''NO Children under 17.'' It's the Motion Picture Association's response to sharp criticism of the X-category, which some filmmakers believed UNfairly tainted legitimate adult-oriented movies with a label synonymous with hard-core pornography.

So far, NO jurors have been seated in the trial of a Cincinnati, Ohio, art museum and its director accused of obscentity for displaying the work of photographer Robert Mapplethorpe. Jury selection resumes today.

Authorities in Tucson, Arizona, say a four-week-old girl was mauled to death in her bassinet yesterday by a family dog. Police say the dog was a full-grown malamute the family had owned since last June. Police say the baby girl's mother and her husband went to sleep at about midnight and awoke to find the child ''had been mauled over her entire body.''

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - Police in Berkeley, California, say they have NOT been able to contact an armed man who's holding about one dozen people hostage in a hotel bar near the University of California. Authorities say the man is irrational. Police say he invaded the bar in the Durant Hotel shortly after midnight and started shooting. At least nine people were wounded, including a U-C student who later died.

The French consul to Baghdad arrived in Paris today along with nine other French diplomats who were expelled from Iraq. He says morale is good among French citizens being held by Iraq as human shields against possible Western attack. The French diplomats were expelled in retaliation for the expulsion of 11 Iraqi diplomats by Paris.

Two miners were killed and five hurt when a moderate earthquake shook the South African city of Welkom and its goldfields today. The quake measured four-point-seven on the Richter scale, and caused some surface damage. In southeast Missouri, an aftershock to yesterday's mild earthquake struck last night but caused NO serious damage or injuries. The earlier quake also caused NO damage or serious injuries.

E-P-A Administrator William Reilly says the nation must do a better job of focusing environmental cleanup efforts. He told the National Press Club yesterday that the country must determine which pollution problems are the biggest health and ecological risks... and then focus on those targets. He released a study identifying top concerns- indoor and outdoor air pollution... worker exposure to chemicals... and drinking water contamination.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) UPI - The prospect of near- term export business resulted in scattered buying on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Midmorning prices were mostly higher in relatively light trading. Some traders were on the sidelines awaiting release of the grain stocks report later in the day.

The Agriculture Department has targeted the Soviet Union for 500,000 tons of wheat flour, Morocco 1.2 million tons of wheat and 17 African countries for

500,000 tons of wheat.

Representatives of the United States and the USSR have completed their talks in Washington. Agriculture Undersecretary Richard Crowder says the Soviets assured him they will meet their commitments under the old and new long-term grain supply agreements.

Soybeans were higher and corn was mostly higher at midmorning, although gains were limited by increased harvest activity. Liquidation ahead of the stocks report also kept a lid on corn prices.

Wheat was fractionally higher on short- covering.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.28 1/2 up 1/4; Mar 2.37 1/2 off 1/4; May 2.43 1/2 off 1/4.

Soybeans Nov 6.18 1/4 up 2 3/4; Jan 6.33 up 3; Mar 6.46 up 3 3/4; May 6.55 1/4 up 4.

Wheat Dec 2.77 1/4 up 3/4; Mar 2.91 up 1/2; May 2.98 3/4 up 1.

Oats Dec 1.16 1/2 up 2 1/4; Mar 1.26 1/2 up 1 3/4; May 1.33 up 1/2.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-91.75 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.40-2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 134.62 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 45.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $459.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 282.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - More than 100 students at the University of the District of Columbia, protesting the way the school is run, occupied two campus buildings for a second day Thursday and forced the cancellation of classes.

Campus police said university officials closed all three campuses when the students refused to leave the buildings until their demands were met, particularly the sacking of 11 members of the board of trustees appointed by Mayor Marion Barry.

Barry arrived at the campus of the city-run university shortly before noon and met with students who had requested his intervention.

''Our goal is to make life easier for the students,'' Barry said to the cheers of the protesters. He said he was ''here to listen'' and then entered the occupied building, which was off limits to reporters.

The students said they were upset with decision-making by the trustees and cited a decision by the 15-member board in June to accept a controversial work of art by feminist painter Judy Chicago and to spend more than $1 million in badly needed funds to renovate part of the campus Carnegie Library to house it.

The artwork, called ''The Dinner Party,'' is of dinner party table settings and depicts female genitalia. The board later formed a committee to review that decision, which threatens $1.6 million in badly needed federal funding for the university because some members of Congress declared the work obscene.

The students demand the board withdraw the invitation to house the artwork and the ''immediate dispatch of a (Capitol) Hill lobby'' to pressure Congress to restore the $1.6 million it threatened to remove from the UDC budget.

''We support the students,'' said Dave Chatman, president of the Faculty Senate, a body of 60 faculty members. ''The board has not communicated with the university for the past five years and they've made appointments we're against.

''The faculty is against 'The Dinner Party.' The students don't want it and (the board) is still doing it,'' Chatman said.

The controversy is only the latest example of unrest at UDC, which was formed in 1977 as an open-admissions university run by the District of Columbia. It has had five presidents or acting presidents in the past eight years and the search is on for a successor to Raphael Cortada, who was fired as president earlier this year.

Trustees, faculty and administrators have frequently wrangled over personnel and academic issues but it is the first time the students, most of them city residents and many of them needing remedial help to remain enrolled, have registered their protests in such physical fashion.

Other items among a list of 20 demands were longer library hours, capital improvements, a more Afro-centric curriculum, another seat on the board for a student representative, a revitalized athletic program and the dismissal of acting Athletic Director Thomas Waters.

Chatman said the faculty was meeting Thursday to discuss the situation at the university, which has a student population of about 12,000.

The students Wednesday stormed two buildings, overcoming a security detail in one of them, after the board refused to meet with them. The students barricaded themselves in the buildings and officials cancelled night classes Wednesday.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) UPI - Three Chicago-area orange juice makers are under investigation by a federal grand jury looking into allegations the companies sold adulterated juice that was billed as ''pure,'' a published report said Thursday.

In addition, records from a defunct Paw Paw, Mich., juice maker that formerly made juice for Very Fine Products Inc., of Westford, Mass., also have been subpoenaed.

The Chicago Sun-Times, citing sources, said a special grand jury has been meeting since August 1989 to investigate Everfresh Inc. of Franklin Park, Ill. which sells juice under the Everfresh label; American Citrus Products Corp. of Melrose Park, Ill., doing business as Home Juice and distributing the Mr. Pure orange juice brand; and Olympic Gold Orange Juice Inc. of Elgin, Ill. selling juice under the Olumpic Gold label.

The grand jury also hopes to look at the records from Warner Vinyards of Paw Paw, Mich.

Lawyers for each firm told the paper their records had been subpoenaed by a grand jury in Chicago, but each denied any wrongdoing on the part of the companies.

A spokesman for the U.S. Attorney's office in Chicago refused comment.

The newspaper said the Chicago area has a reputation for adulterated juice around the offices and laboratories of government regulators, with at least one Food and Drug Administration chemist characterizing orange juice manufactured in the area as coming ''from the Cook County orange groves.''

''In investigating instances of adulteration, it's not unusual for the Chicago area to come up,'' said Kristen Chadwell, a lawyer for the Florida Citrus Department.

Just last year, three officials of Bodine's Inc., of Chicago, pleaded guilty to fraud charges that prosecutors then described as the largest consumer fraud prosecution in history for juice that had sweeteners and other products added without informing customers.

FDA regulations require notifying customers on the label if sweeteners, preservatives or other juice by-products are added to orange juice concentrate.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	54	12
Amsterdam cy	1pm	57	14
Ankara c	3pm	78	25
Athens c	2pm	86	30
Auckland pc	12m	50	10
Beijing c	8pm	67	19
Beirut	2pm	-	-

Berlin cy	1pm	52	11
Bonn cy	1pm	57	14
Brussels pc	1pm	55	13
Cairo c	2pm	90	32
Casablanca cy	12n	87	30
Copenhagen pc	1pm	52	11
Dakar pc	12n	83	29
Dublin cy	1pm	55	13
Geneva c	1pm	61	16
Helsinki cy	2pm	45	07
Hong Kong r	8pm	78	26
Jerusalem c	2pm	87	31
Karachi pc	5pm	87	31
Lisbon pc	1pm	81	27
London pc	1pm	61	16
Madrid c	1pm	77	25
Malta cy	1pm	96	36
Manila cy	8pm	84	29
Moscow pc	3pm	52	11
Nairobi pc	3pm	-	-
Nassau pc	7am	77	25
New Delhi	6pm	-	-
Nice cy	1pm	70	21
Oslo cy	1pm	46	08
Paris c	1pm	60	16
Pretoria c	2pm	82	28
Riyadh	3pm	99	37
Rome pc	1pm	75	24
Seoul cy	9pm	68	20
Sofia cy	2pm	59	15
Stockholm pc	1pm	50	10
Sydney c	10pm	56	14
Taipei c	8pm	78	26
Tokyo cy	9pm	69	20
Tunis c	1pm	91	33
Vienna cy	1pm	62	17
Warsaw cy	1pm	49	09

Latin America

Buenos Aires pc	9am	64	18
Caracas pc	8am	71	22
Havana cy	7am	73	23
Lima r	7am	60	15
Mexico City hz	6am	56	14
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	72	22
Santiago cy	8am	51	11

Canada

Calgary c	64	17
Edmonton c	62	16
Montreal cy	62	16
Ottawa r	61	16
Regina pc	67	19
Toronto cy	71	21
Vancouver cy	67	19
Winnipeg pc	75	23

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - Good news on the home heating front. The American Gas Association says adequate supplies of natural gas should be available to meet consumer demand this winter. But the association says there could be isolated problems in some areas for short periods. A study indicates about half the distribution companies surveyed believe they will have to pay more for gas this winter than last.

Political repression in Burma is drawing criticism from other countries. A diplomat based in Rangoon says 18 governments are protesting stepped-up repression by Burma's military junta, which has detained and questioned Burmese citizens working in foreign embassies. The junta also has refused to turn over power to a legislature that was elected in May.

Amnesty International says security forces in Zaire continue to torture, illegally detain and kill government opponents and peaceful demonstrators... despite political reforms initiated earlier this year. The London-based human rights organization says the government of the equatorial African country has failed to stop or investigate killings and abuses carried out by security forces in the past two and one-half years.

Authorities in Loganville, Georgia, say they're working to get Willie Williams released from prison as quickly as possible. Williams, a poorly educated landscaper, has served 39 months of a life prison sentence for a 1986 rape-burglary that another man now says he committed. Police say Anthony Ecols confessed to the crime earlier this week. Authorities say Williams earlier confessed to the crime, but apparently to ''avoid trouble.''

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Advance Circuit (4th Q 8-25)	
$22,816,000	$18,532,000
$2,163,000 (.38)	$2,688,000 (.46)
Ameron Inc (3rd Q 8-31)	
$121,000,000	$120,864,000
$4,554,000 (1.20)	$4,185,000 (1.05)
Community Psych Ctrs (3rd Q 8-31)	
$94,858,000	$80,278,000
$19,737,000 (.43)	$16,926,000 (.37)
Eastern Environmntl (4th Q 6-30)	
$3,668,612	$5,559,969
$175,987 (.04)	$300,931 (.06)
Intl Semi-Tech (6 Months 7-31)	
$136,432,000	$358,692,000
$8,766,000 (.68)	$6,950,000 (.62)
Maax Inc (6 Months 4-30)	
$11,100,000	$9,000,000
a-$1,000,000 (.21)	d-$13,000

a-Includes a $287,000 tax credit.
d-Deficit.

On-Line Software (1st Q 8-31)	
$21,901,000	$20,021,000
$299,000 (.05)	$344,000 (.06)
Orbit Instrument Year 6-30)	
$57,226,000	$50,689,000
$1,483,000 (.16)	d-$2,724,000

d-Deficit.

Pier 1 Imports (2nd Q 9-1)	
$149,593,000	$134,855,000
$2,505,000 (.07)	$7,227,000 (.20)

Safety-Kleen (3rd Q 9-8)
$136,635,000 $110,454,000
$12,079,000 (.35) $10,082,000 (.30)

Stuart Hall (3rd Q 8-31)
$40,364,470 $31,632,247
$825,569 (.21) $544,456 (.14)

Thermal Indus (Year 6-30)
$27,800,000 $29,500,000
$780,000 (.40) $47,000 (.02)

Wall Financial (6 Months 7-31)
$11,293,872 $16,487,252
$3,419,433 (.10) $1,694,720 (.05)

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Basketball

Miami - Signed guard Willie Burton to a 5- year contract.

Football

Washington - Placed quarterback Mark Rypien on injured reserve; activated quarterback Gary Hogeboom; signed cornerback Johnny Thomas and cut cornerback Wayne Davis.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) UPI - Bulk selling prices reported by USDA:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 59-65.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - House Minority Leader Rep. Robert Michel, R-Ill.,

and Caterpillar Inc. executives joined U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills Thursday in supporting the ''zero-for-zero'' tariff proposal.

The proposal, advanced by the United States in March, would eliminate tariffs on a wide range of products - provided other countries agree to do the same.

Michel, who is from Caterpillar's home base of Peoria, Ill., said the Zero Tariff Coalition is breathing new life into the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, or GATT, talks taking place in Geneva. The group was formed three weeks ago and includes more than 100 U.S. companies.

''This group's hard work will mean more U.S. exports and jobs,'' he said. ''I'm impressed with the broad cross-section of members and what they've accomplishedin such a short time.''

Caterpillar Chief Executive Officer Donald Fites said GATT negotiators over the next 10 weeks will set world trading rules for the next 10 years.

''If our zero-tariff proposal is part of the final GATT package, negotiators will have taken a big step toward making trade freer and fairer,'' Fites said.

The Uruguay Round of GATT negotiations is expected to be finished in December.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - Holly Planells's ex-husband thought their son should never again reside in the land of the Great Satan, so he abducted Yousef, then 3, to Jordan in 1986. Father and son have never returned to the United States.

Betty Mahmoody haltingly agreed in 1984 to her husband's demand to go on a two-week vacation to Iran with their 4-year-old daughter to visit his family. Mother and daughter were held against their will for 18 months, until they escaped with the help of professional smugglers.

Planells, of New York, and Mahmoody, of Detroit, told their harrowing stories to a House Judiciary subcommittee Thursday to urge passage of legislation that would make it a federal crime to abduct children to foreign countries.

The four different House and Senate bills would accomplish the same general end - attempt to deter the crime by punishing the kidnapper with stiffer prison terms and fines.

While the aggrieved relatives say the bills are a start in the right direction a Justice Department official said the move would be a ''well-intentioned but largely empty gesture.''

One of the bill sponsors, Rep. James Saxton, R-N.J., said children are snatched from playgrounds, backyards or during unsupervised visits at a rate of about eight a week. He said there are about 4,000 cases currently on record.

''These children are usually taken and kept abroad by foreign-born ex-spouses who took the children out of the United States in violation of a U.S. custody order. Most of the time, the foreign-born parent is in his or her homeland with the child and untouchable by U.S. authorities,'' Saxton said.

If a child is taken to a country that has no extradition treaty with the United States, the kidnapper and child may never return. Only the 15 countries that signed the Hague Convention are required to return wrongfully removed children.

''It is our view that passage of this legislation will not increase the likelihood of the extradition of parental kidnappers from abroad,'' said David Margolis, acting deputy assistant attorney general. ''If enacted, (it) would inevitably give rise to false hopes and unrealistic expectations on the part of left-behind parents.''

But Planells, Mahmoody and other people caught in international child kidnapping episodes urged passage.

''We ask you to imagine one of your children or grandchildren taken from your household and never being able to share your love,'' said Rosemary Janvier of Seaside Heights, N.J., whose grandchild was abducted to Eastern Europe in 1987.

''We ask you to help prevent further parental kidnappings by considering this legislation ... on behalf of the children still at risk and least able to protect themselves,'' Janvier said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $403.50 silver base of $4.78 and platinum price of $441.30:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$420.00	416.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	215.40	213.80
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	110.60	109.80
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	45.60	45.30
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	420.00	416.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	215.50	213.70
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	111.10	110.20

Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	45.80	45.50
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	426.80	423.70
China Panda .50 troy oz.	219.90	218.70
China Panda .25 troy oz.	114.50	113.40
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	49.30	49.00
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	29.40	29.30
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	419.70	418.10
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	214.50	213.70
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	108.30	108.00
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	46.60	46.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	418.60	416.90
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	216.50	215.60
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	111.10	110.60
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	47.10	47.00
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	418.50	417.80
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	215.20	214.90
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	91.10	91.00
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	47.70	47.60
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.10	24.10
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.18	$6.19
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,450	$3,460
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,500	$1,500
Platinum		
Australian Koala	463.00	468.00
Isle of Man Noble	452.00	457.00
Canada Maple Leaf	463.00	468.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 27) UPI - Quitting smoking appears to come easiest to people in Montana and Minnesota, while the habit dies hardest in Kentucky and the nation's capital, federal health officials said Thursday.

Montana and Minnesota, followed by Massachusetts, North Dakota, New Hampshire, California, Oregon, Idaho and New Mexico topped the list of 39 states and District of Columbia with the highest smoking cessation rates.

Kentucky and the District of Columbia have the lowest quitting rates, followed by Tennessee, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Alabama, Indiana, West Virginia, Ohio and North Carolina, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control report.

In Montana, 59 percent of people age 18 and older who had ever smoked at least 100 cigarettes polled in the 1989 survey said they were ex- smokers, compared to 43 percent in Kentucky. Minnesota had a 57.4 percent quitting rate, the District of Columbia 43.8 percent.

''In general, states with lowest quit ratios have the highest prevalence of current cigarette smoking,'' the CDC said.

The survey by the federal health agency was unveiled as a supplement to a U.S. Surgeon General's report released Tuesday, which documented the far-reaching health benefits that can result from ceasing the nicotine habit.

''Factors affecting smoking cessation that may explain the variations in smoking cessation by state include the percentage of heavy smokers, societal norms and attitudes about smoking cessation, and the existence, strength and scope of smoking cessation services,'' the CDC report said.

The states with the highest quitting rates tend to have the best anti-smoking campaigns and strongest policies restricting smoking at work and in public places, said Dr. Luis Escobedo, the CDC epidemiologist who wrote the report.

''Some of it is also cultural,'' Escobedo said, noting the high quitting rate in Utah, where the Mormon religion's edict against smoking helps keep the rate down. ''If you look at the map you see Utah has one of the highest rates of smoking cessation.''

Utah is ranked No. 6 on a separate list of the states included in the CDC report that eliminated the effects of age, race, sex and education on smoking cessation to illuminate other factors that influence quitting.

Whites, people over 35, men and those with more education have higher quitting rates than blacks, women, people under 35 and those with less education in all the states.

The second ranking better gauges the effect of influences such as anti-smoking campaigns on getting people to stop smoking, officials said.

Hawaii, Montana, North Dakota, Massachusetts and Idaho topped that list. Oklahoma, Kentucky, West Virginia, Tennessee and Michigan were at the bottom.

Other factors affecting smoking behavior contained in the package of CDC reports report included:

-Knowledge of the benefits of smoking cessation nationwide was lowest in

smokers aged 55 to 64 who had no college education.

-11.4 percent of Mormon Idaho women of reproductive age smoke, compared to 28.2 percent of Protestant women in Idaho reproductive age and 31.9 percent of Roman Catholic females in Idaho of baby-bearing age.

-In New York, women who reported an annual income of higher than $25, 000 were more likely to smoke than those with an income of greater than $35,000.

-In 1986, 52 percent of smokers nationwide used the top five brands, Marlboro, Winston, Salem, Kool and Newport.

-The higher a person's education level nationwide, the greater the likelihood of smoking brands with low-tar levels.

-76 percent of blacks and 23 percent of whites smoke mentholated brands.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - The value of construction industry contracts declined a minimal 3 percent nationally in August, a leading industry indicator released Thursday said.

The Dodge Index of construction contracting, which declined to 146 last month, should be interpreted as ''no change'' because it has been fluctuating around 150 for the past several months following a steep decline registered last winter, according to F.W. Dodge, a division of McGraw-Hill. The index is measured against a 1982 base of 100.

The index showed that the value of residential and nonresidential building eased 4 percent in August, while public works and utility contracts, which Dodge calls nonbuilding construction, edged up by 1 percent in value.

For the year to date, 1990 construction contracting trailed the value of the year-ago period by 8 percent.

''August contacting didn't reveal much about how the construction sector will be reacting to the Middle Eastern confrontation, since most the month's work was already committed,'' said George Christie, vice president and chief economist for F.W. Dodge.

''The risk, of course, is whether higher-cost oil will tip the already weakened economy into recession by next winter.''

Christie predicted this would be enough to touch off a recession. ''That implies a secondary decline for construction, particularly for commercial building and housing,'' he said.

Dodge said the steep decline in office building continued in August, while sewer and water projects rebounded sharply. Housing remained weak, as a decline of one-family home building more than offset a modest gain in multi-family construction.

For the first eight months of 1990, most regions showed declines from the same period of 1989. The Northeast had the biggest fall, with 24 percent, while the Southeast fell 14 percent, South-Central states declined 6 percent and the West was off 2 percent.

The only region to show a gain was the North-Central region, which advanced 3 percent.

The construction values, at seasonally adjusted annual rates, were:nonresidential building, $80.3 billion; residential building, $108.4 billion; and nonbuilding construction, $47.6 billion. Overall, the value of construction contracts came to $236.3 billion.

The year-to-date figure was $180.8 million for all categories, Dodge said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - The insurance fund protecting U.S. bank deposits is expected to shrink by $3 billion in 1990, about $1 billion more than expected, the chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. said Thursday.

In another development, the agency voted to increase the premium it charges banks for protecting deposits to 19 1/2 cents per $100 of deposits.

FDIC chief William Seidman said his agency determined that in the first six months of the year, the government's Bank Insurance Fund fell to about $11.4 billion from $13.2 billion - a 14 percent loss.

The FDIC had been expecting a $2 billion loss for all of 1990, but Seidman said: ''Now we think it'll be $3 billion for the year.''

''The losses are larger and there were more failures,'' Seidman told United Press International.

As for insurance fund losses next year, Seidman said, ''It's hard to predict ... but it appears 1991 will be better than 1990.''

At a House subcommittee meeting, Seidman was asked by Rep. Frank Annunzio, D-Ill., whether Congress could prevent the sagging insurance fund ''from going broke'' in the next few years.

''Clearly no one can give that assurance at this point,'' Seidman said. ''No one can see the future.''

News of the losses was announced at a Thursday meeting of the agency, which insures deposits at the nation's banks to $100,000. Also during the session, FDIC officials voted to increase the insurance premium.

Effective Jan. 1, the premium will increase to 19 1/2 cents per $100 of deposits. The FDIC had been planning to increase the premium to 15 cents per $100 from the current 12 cents per $100.

Seidman said the 19 1/2-cent premium ''will increase our income and reduce our losses.''

He also said that the FDIC would consider raising the premium further if the Congress passes legislation granting the agency wider latitude on raising insurance premiums.

The sweeping plan is supported by the White House, but Seidman said another increase could cause problems for many ailing institutions.

''The weaker banks are in danger of failing if you make the costs too high,'' Seidman said, echoing the concerns of other government officials, including Federal Reserve Board Chairman Alan Greenspan.

The higher insurance premiums would cut into bank profits, possibly leading to cuts in services and lower interest payments to depositors.

On Wednesday, the Bush administration proposed increasing deposit insurance fees for banks that make reckless loans, and limiting the number of insured accounts per depositor.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - A gunman described by witnesses as ''irrational'' continues holding as many as 20 people hostage in Berkeley, California. He entered a bar in the Durant Hotel one block south of the U-C Berkeley campus early this morning and opened fire. One student was killed and at least seven other people were wounded, including a police officer. The gunman is described as a 31-year-old Iranian.

The bi-partisan budget negotiations are to resume this afternoon in Washington amid new partisan attacks from President Bush and Democratic congressional leaders. The bargaining is aimed at working out a plan to cut 500-BILLION dollars from the federal deficit over the next five years. Word from negotiators this week indicated that progress was being made in the talks, which face a Monday deadline before automatic budget cuts take effect.

The Japanese government unveiled a plan today for a non-combat peace- keeping corps that would involve sending members of Japan's military overseas for the first time since World War Two. The plan drew immediate fire from the nation's two main opposition parties, casting doubt on whether it can clear the Japanese parliament. The plan attempts to balance demands that Japan send people to the multi-national force in Saudi Arabia against fears in Asia of a resurgence of Japanese militarism.

Leaders of the West German Social Democratic Party are meeting with the heads of its East German sister organization today. They want to merge the two parties into one before German unification becomes a reality on October 3rd. The new Social Democrats are expected to be the main challenger to Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union in the December 2nd elections covering all of Germany.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - U-S military officials in Belgium are working on theories ranging from a robbery attempt to a possible kidnapping after two men broke into the home of an Air Force general assigned to NATO. A guard assigned to Brigadier General John Douglass remains hospitalized after being hit on the head. The general was out of Belgium when the two men broke into his home.

Authorities in Cicero, Indiana, are offering a reward for information about the vandalism of the gravesite of Ryan White, a youngster who gained world-wide attention in his battle against AIDS. Authorities say the vandalism is believed to have occurred on September 14th. They describe damage as minor, including flowers pulled from pots and a candle-holder and angel statues knocked over.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - A convicted drug buyer is back behind bars after what might be the longest lunch break in county history.

Eduardo Onofre, 24, disappeared two weeks ago after a state district judge allowed him to go to lunch after his conviction. Onofre was back in custody Wednesday thanks to what one prosecutor said was the ''tenacious'' work of an undercover police officer.

Onofre was convicted Sept. 10 of trying to buy two kilograms of cocaine. The conviction was returned just before lunch and Judge Carl Walker decided to let Onofre go to lunch on two conditions - that he remain in the courthouse and return to the courtroom by 1:30 p.m. for sentencing.

Onofre did neither and he was sentenced in absentia to 45 years in prison and fined $1 million.

Assistant District Attorney Ruben Perez said he thought he had seen the last of Onofre, but the persistence of the arresting officer paid off when the convict was re-arrested Tuesday night.

The officer spent two weeks checking addresses and talking to sources before tracking Onofre down at an apartment. Onofre, who had dyed his hair blond, did not resist arrest.

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BRIDGEPORT, CT (SEPT. 27) UPI - A pawn shop owner who said he paid about $1,000 to help police recover most of a $60,000 collection of stolen teddy bears plans to think twice before helping strangers in the future.

Joe Davis, who owns three pawn shops in Bridgeport, said he helped recover about 200 of the 300 stolen bears from street vendors this week but has yet to hear from the owners.

''I hope these people are happy,'' he said Wednesday. ''It sure has left a poor taste in my mouth.''

The bears were stolen from a trailer owned by Larry and Ellen Idema of Grand Haven, Mich., as they slept in a nearby motel.

Police said the bears started turning up after the theft was reported. Davis, who had heard about it, said he tracked down dozens of them from street vendors at a total cost of $1,000.

On Tuesday, the Idemas returned to Connecticut to retrieve their collection and then left town.

Milford Police Sgt. Ned Doran said Ellen Idema was particularly pleased to recover one 1907 bear valued at $5,000.

''A reporter told me they say they're going to mail me a check for $500 but I'm done helping people,'' Davis said. ''It makes you feel bad when people can't even pick up the phone and say 'thank you.'''

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WEST BERLIN (SEPT. 27) UPI - Less than one week before German unification, the East and West German Social Democratic parties merged into a single organization and pledged to help the new Germany ''find its place in a

peaceful Europe.''

When the two countries unite Oct. 3, the Social Democratic Party, or SPD, will be the largest opposition group to the conservative-led government of Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

Only two of more than 550 delegates at the SPD's reunification congress voted against the new party's rules.

''Together we start work, so that for the first time in history Germany can find its place in a peaceful Europe,'' the party said in its new manifesto.

''Neither national self-contentment nor even nationalistic exuberance are needed now, but rather solidarity of Germans among themselves,'' the statement said. ''What is also needed is solidarity with the peoples of central and eastern Europe who are treading a new path, and with the majority of mankind, which is faced with bitter poverty,''

Before the vote, former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt spoke to the 550 delegates, whose combined party will be the main challenger to Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union in the Dec. 2 all- German elections.

''Germany in particular needs social democracy,'' said Brandt, an architect of ''Ostpolitik,'' or East-West detente during the 1970s. Brandt is the party's deputy chairman.

On Oct. 14, East Germans are due to elect regional governments in the five states, which will join West Germany's 11 states in the Federal Republic.

Recent surveys show the SPD is only likely to win in one of the states at the Oct. 14 polls.

Because East Germany is effectively joining the West German republic, Kohl will automatically retain his position at the head of the government on unification day.

The CDU, which will hold its unification congress Oct. 1-2, will be the main political party and the SPD will remain the largest opposition party in a united Germany.

Although that could change after the election, even SPD officials doubt it will.

The majority of Germans interviewed by research institutes recently, said if national elections were held today, rather than Dec. 2 they would vote for the CDU and would want Kohl to remain chancellor.

Kohl's SPD challenger Oskar Lafontaine saw his popularity drop in recent

months. He has faced growing criticism from within his party - largely from East German members - for his attempts to block Kohl's plans for swift German unification.

The SPD hopes to eventually derive political benefits by placing social issues at the heart of its campaing program, at a time when East Germans are likely to feel the full blast of unification.

East Germany, which has been plunged virtually overnight in a free market system after 40 years of hardline Communism, has been hit by a crippling economic crisis, marked by a dramatic increase in unemployment levels.

The East German SPD was re-established last October, 43 years after Social Democrats - in what was then the Soviet-occupied zone of Germany - were forced to merge with the Communist party to form the Socialist Unity Party, which ruled East Germany with an iron fist until it was ousted last fall.

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LONDON (SEPT. 27) UPI - Police found and defused a bomb Thursday believed planted by the Irish Republican Army at an antiterrorism conference that would have caused ''death and serious injury'' had it exploded, Scotland Yard said.

The explosive device, wrapped in a plastic sandwich container, was placed under a speaker's platform and would have gone off at 10:30 a.m., during the conference titled ''Terrorism and Democracy,'' said Commander George Churchill-Coleman, head of the Scotland Yard anti-terrorist squad.

''If the device had exploded, it would have caused death and serious injury,'' said Churchill-Coleman.

Scheduled speakers at the conference included London Metropolitan Police Commisioner Sir Peter Imbert, and Foreign Office Minister William Waldegrave.

The bomb had been placed on the site despite high security surrounding the conference, located in central London.

''Early inquiries lead us to believe the bomb was placed in position this morning, after an extensive search,'' said Churchill-Coleman.

The conference site was 200 yards (meters) from the site of an IRA bomb attack last summer at the prestigious Carlton Club, popular among Conservative Party politicians. The club was extensively damaged but no injuries were reported.

Althhough no group has yet claimed responbility for placing the bomb, police believed it was planted by the IRA as part of its campaign to drive British troops out of Northern Ireland.

''This is yet another example of a divisive attack mounted by this organization. It failed due to the extensive vigilance mounted by the police '' said Churchill-Coleman.

After the bomb was spotted, police cordoned off the immediate area and evacuated adjacent buildings.

''There are army helicopters flying overhead. They've evacuated all the nearby buildings, and they're searching for more devices,'' said Nancy Bromhead, an office worker in the area.

The IRA recently picked up the pace of its campaign of violence on the British mainland, with a series of gun and car-bomb attacks on high- ranking officials. The former governor of the island of Gibraltar, Sir Peter Terry, was seriously wounded in a shooting earlier this month.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - The Pentagon announced Thursday an urgent $7 billion arms sale to Saudi Arabia that includes top-line U.S. tanks, attack helicopters, anti-tank weapons, Patriot anti-aircraft missiles and rocket launchers.

It is the first stage of a two-phased arms sale to Saudi Arabia that will total about $21 billion and include sophisticated F-15 fighters. Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said the second sale probably will occur ''early next year.''

The Bush administration decided to split in two the largest ever U.S. arms sale after supporters of Israel in Congress expressed concern that the total Saudi weapons package was too large for the sheikdom's immediate defense needs and that the weapons may one day be targeted on Israel.

Williams said the American weapons provided in the smaller $7 billion package are what the Saudis ''urgently need for their defense'' against Iraq, which has a 1 million-man army and 5,500 tanks.

The largest part of the sale, actually totaling $6.744 billion, amounts to $3.13 billion and includes hundreds of armored tracked vehicles, including 150 M-1A2 main battle tanks.

The M-1A2 is the newest U.S. tank. Although it has not rolled off the General Dynamics Corp. production line yet, it is an improved model of the M-1A1 tank, specifically designed to defeat the Soviet-built T-72 tanks used by the Iraqis.

Saudi Arabia - which currently has about 550 mostly French-built tanks -

already has a $3 billion order for 315 of the M-1A2, a sale that was announced last October.

Included with the 150 tanks will be 200 Bradley Fighting Vehicles with 1,750 TOW anti-tank missiles, 207 armored personnel carriers, 50 cargo carriers and 60 tank-recovery vehicles.

The second largest part of the sale, for $1.8 billion, will provide the Saudis with 10,000 tactical wheeled vehicles, including 1,200 of the High Mobility Multi-Purpose Wheeled Vehicle, or HMV.

One of the key parts of the package is a $984 million sale of 384 long-range Patriot guided ground-to-air defense missiles, designed to track and intercept attacking aircraft.

Also, the package would provide the Saudis with 12 Apache attack helicopters with Hellfire anti-tank missiles, another 150 TOW anti-tank missiles, eight UH-60 utility helicopters, and nine artillery Multiple Launch Rocket Systems, called MLRS, with 2,000 rockets.

Congress has up to 30 days to disapprove the sale. If no action is taken, the sale will go ahead.

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LONDON (SEPT. 27) UPI - The fashion house Laura Ashley announced plans Thursday to close seven factories in Britain and Ireland and cut 1,500 employees from its staff - 1,000 in Britain and 500 worldwide.

Seven factories in Ireland and Britain are scheduled to be closed next March resulting in the loss of 1,000 factory jobs, according to a company spokeswoman. The factories currently employ 2,400.

''We have not taken these decisions lightly and deeply regret the redundancies that they will involve,'' said Sir Bernard Ashley, chairman of Laura Ashley Holdings PLC.

The company manufactures women's and children's clothing, home furnishings and perfumery products.

''If Laura Ashley is to survive in today's highly competitive environment, it is no longer viable to source the current level of garments worldwide from our UK factories when products of similiar quality can be obtained at significantly lower cost from other suppliers in other countries,'' Ashley said in explaining the move.

The decision to close the factories and cut 1,500 employees was the result of

a detailed review of Laura Ashley's operations undertaken last year.

A review of the overall staffing levels will mean another 500 employees will lose their jobs worldwide, said a spokesman. No details of the overseas job losses were available.

High inflation and interest rates in the United Kingdom were blamed for the measures.

''In particular, the high inflation rate, together with the current exchange rate, have made U.K. sourcing commercially unattractive,'' said the spokeswoman.

Products currently obtained from the factories to be closed will now be purchased from outside suppliers.

Laura Ashley will continue to print its own fabrics and wall- coverings in Great Britain and will keep open a made-to-measure curtain factory, the company said.

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BERKELEY, CA (SEPT. 27) UPI - A squad of police Thursday stormed a bar near the University of California campus and gunned down a heavily armed man who had killed one student and held others hostage for seven hours of terror and sexual perversion.

Lt. Jim Polk, commander of the police SWAT team, said the gunman had been undergoing violent mood swings and there was fear he would harm his hostages, so the decision was made shortly after 7 a.m. to rush the bar rather than wait him out.

Members of the six-man SWAT team found the gunman at one side of the room and the hostages at the other and they opened fire, Polk said.

Paramedics rushed the wounded gunman away as hostages streamed out into the street and police tried to round them up to collect their statements. Twenty three hostages were taken to police headquarters.

''We just shot him,'' police Capt. Philip Doran said in announcing the end of the siege.

The wounded gunman, identified as Mehrdad Dashti, was taken to Highland General Hosptial in Oakland, where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

Doran said Dashti was angry over his failure to obtain a government loan to attend the University of California.

''(The) motive as far as I understand - he was very angry. He had been turned down for a student loan. He was angry at the federal government for other reasons besides that. So, whatever his motive may have been, at least those two were part of it,'' Doran said.

The gunman held as many as 20 people hostage as he kept police at bay in a standoff that lasted for nearly seven hours, authorities said.

At least seven people were wounded during the rampage.

Polk said Dashti had several weapons, including a machine pistol similar to an Uzi.

The gunman began shooting sporadically at patrons inside Henry's bar in the Durant Hotel, a block south of the UC Berkeley campus, shortly after midnight, Doran said.

He spent the next seven hours firing his guns and killing time by sexually harassing his white female hostages, witnesses said.

Phil Kim, an architecture student who escaped early in the siege, said Dashti forced female hostages to ''drop their pants'' and forced the male hostages to sexually molest them ''with carrots he brought with him.''

Initially, more than 20 people were held hostage at gunpoint, but several escaped or were allowed to leave as the standoff continued, leaving about 20 patrons inside with the gunman.

Two women released from the bar said Dashti appeared irrational and ordered non-white appearing women to ''run out and tell the police ... that they had done this to me. This isn't my fault I wrote several letters to your FBI.''

They said he ordered male hostages to ''sit up by the windows.''

Several blonde women, they said, were ordered to ''take off their pants.''

''After the girls took off their pants, at least the blondes, he had them do something sexually perverse,'' one of the former hostages said.

Local hospitals reported receiving at least eight gunshot victims. One of them John G. Sheehey, 22, a UC Berkeley student, died of his wounds.

Chris Hobbs, 20, a UC graduate student, was in fair condition with a gunshot wound to his thigh, Eden Medical Center spokeswoman Cassandra Phelps said, and student Rebecca Davis, 21, of Berkeley, was in fair condition with a leg wound at Kaiser Permanente Medical Center in Oakland.

A wounded police officer was treated at Highland General Hospital and released. Two victims were admitted into the hospital, a man who was shot in the left shoulder and a woman with numerous gunshot wounds, including at least one in the chest, spokeswoman Deborah Yamamoto said.

A woman and a man were treated for gunshot wounds and released from Alta Bates Hospital in Berkeley, a hospital spokeswoman said.

One hostage, Ken Young, 21, a Berkeley senior from Ventura, Calif., said there were about 75 people in the bar, some of them attending a birthday party, when the incident began.

''At the first shots, everybody hit the floor, just like in a movie,'' Young said.

Of the other hostages, Young said, ''They're in pretty good spirits, but they're smoking a lot of cigarettes.''

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ALGIERS, ALGERIA (SEPT. 27) UPI - Former President Ahmed Ben Bella sailed home from exile Thursday and immediately called on President Chadli Bendjedid to dissolve the government and appoint an interim administration to hold early general elections.

Police said some 50,000 people lined the port of Algiers to welcome home Ben Bella, 74. He arrived on a ferry-boat, the ''Hoggar,'' from Barcelona together with his wife and three children, 500 Algerian and foreign guests and 100 journalists.

The Hoggar blasted its siren as Ben Bella, looking fit in a dark suit and necktie, waved to the throng and beamed broadly. On arrival the veteran politician made his way to the Martyrs' Square and delivered a fiery speech attacking the government.

''I have no confidence in the current government to prepare the elections,'' he said. ''So I demand the dissolution of this government.'' Chadli has agreed tentatively to hold multi-party legislative elections for the first time in Algeria in January.

But the government also has hinted it could postpone the polls if the country undergoes disorders similar to anti-government riots in October 1988 in which hundreds of people were killed.

Ben Bella was the first president of the north African nation after independence from France in 1962. A military coup led by his defense minister, Col. Houari Boumedienne overthrew him June 19, 1965. Ben Bella was jailed

until 1980 and went into exile the following year, wandering between France, England, Spain and Switzerland.

Ben Bella called for an interim government to preside over elections.

''In Algeria now there is a great democracy but it is thanks to the people and not to the regime.''

Ben Bella, who recently visited Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, urged Algerians to go to the Iraqi Embassy and volunteer to fight alongside the Iraqis against the United States.

Security was extra tight in the capital with hundreds of police deployed for the homecoming.

In June the Moslem fundamentalist Islamic Salvation Front won multi- party nationwide local and provincial elections, trouncing the ruling National Liberation Front.

Political experts say Ben Bella's Movement for Democracy in Algeria could attract support from some ruling National Liberation Front supporters concerned to stop Islamic Salvation Front leader Abassi Madani from seizing power. Other Algerians who voted for the fundamentalists in the local elections as a protest against the FLN may also find solace in voting for Ben Bella.

Aides said Ben Bella decided to return from exile by ferry because he feared he might be shot and killed if he used an airplane.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - The Iraqi leadership ordered foreign nationals be denied food ration cards beginning next week and gave all Kuwaitis until Monday to obtain Iraqi I.D. cards in another move to strengthen its hold on the conquered emirate, Cairo Radio said Thursday.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has often stated that foreigners in Iraq and occupied Kuwait will suffer from the U.N. trade embargo along with Iraqis, and that if the situtation becomes desperate, food and medicine will be reserved for Iraqi citizens only.

Diplomatic sources said Jordan, meanwhile, was reconsidering its suspension of all flights between Amman and the Iraqi capital of Baghdad, taken Wednesday following reports an Iraqi jetliner had loaded up with illegal cargo for its return trip after delivering a group of Western hostages to Amman.

The sources said Jordan's King Hussein was considering banning all flights

except passenger flights.

The exact terms of the U.N.-imposed air embargo were still being debated. The British Foreign Office said the resolution did not bar passenger flights providing their cargo was inspected or apply to medical supplies and equipment for U.N. forces.

The developments came amid an escalation in a war of nerves in the Persian Gulf following the decision by the U.N. Security Council to impose the air embargo against Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Western diplomats said the decision was a severe blow to Iraq, which had been receiving supplies by plane to counter the enforcement of the economic embargo by warships in the Persian Gulf.

''You are going to see Saddam Hussein lash out because he is getting squeezed more and more in his corner,'' said one Western diplomat in the region.

Japan, meanwhile, considered plans to send a non-combat peacekeeping force to the region.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu of Japan, whose constitution forbids the use of force in international disputes, unveiled a plan to create a non- combat corpsthat would involve sending members of Japan's military overseas for the first time since World War II.

Japan, which has pledged $4 billion for the gulf effort, has been under intense pressure from the West to deploy troops as well. But Tokyo faces fears at home and in Asia of a Japanese military revival.

The first of 4,000 French troops ordered to the gulf following a raid by Iraqi soldiers on the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait this month arrived in Saudi Arabia Thursday.

In the raid, Iraqi soldiers rounded up three French citizens who had sought refuge at their envoy's residence and took them to an undisclosed location, presumably to act as human shields with other Westerners at key Iraqi installations.

Western officials said Thursday Iraqi authorities had sent notes to all foreign embassies in Baghdad over the past few days warning diplomats that it was a crime punishable by death to harbor foreign citizens. Some of the notes, including one to the U.S. Embassy, asked for a list of non-embassy personnel staying in the diplomatic compounds.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (SEPT. 27) UPI - Two men forcibly entered the home of a U.S. Air Force general assigned to NATO and overpowered a guard in a possible kidnap attempt, but the general was vacationing overseas, officials said Thursday.

The U.S. military bodyguard was struck on the head, bound and gagged, then lost consciousness when the intruders applied ''ether or chloroform'' during the Tuesday night incident, the officials said.

The guard remained hospitalized Thursday with severe head injuries, and investigators were unable to question him further.

There was ''no evidence of theft'' at the suburban home of Brig. Gen. John W. Douglass, said the U.S. embassy in Brussels, and Belgian authorities said kidnapping was a ''possible'' motive.

Douglass, the deputy U.S. representative to the NATO Military Committee, has been assigned to NATO since summer 1989. The embassy said he was out of the country during the incident.

U.S. officials declined to speculate publicly on the motive for the incident, but said unspecified additional security measures for U.S. personnel in Europe had been implemented in response.

There has been concern about the safety of U.S. officials in Europe since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2. NATO anti-terrorism experts met in Brussels on Wednesday on new security steps to combat an expected wave of Iraq-sponsored terrorism against Western targets.

The incident occurred at about 7 p.m. on Tuesday when a man wearing ''what appeared to be a police uniform'' forced his way into the Douglass home in suburban Kraainem, the embassy said.

He overpowered the bodyguard and was joined by a second intruder, and they searched the house.

The guard, who was reportedly bound and gagged with adhesive tape, was found unconscious by a family friend living at the house at 11:45 p.m. when she returned home, the embassy said.

U.S. military officials have joined Belgian authorities in the investigation.

''We have not ruled out a kidnap attempt, but we cannot say now that is what it was,'' said a spokesman for the security service in the Belgian Interior Ministry.

''We will know more when we are able to question the guard who was injured, but he isn't able to be questioned right now,'' the spokesman said. ''He was

severely injured in the head. We don't know what was used to hit him.''

The guard, whose name was withheld, was still hospitalized on Thursday, authorities said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - An American warship in the Red Sea fired warning shots and boarded an Iraqi oil tanker that had refused to stop Thursday, but allowed it to proceed when no cargo was found, the Pentagon said.

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said the frigate USS Elmer G. Montgomery in the northern Red Sea radioed an Iraqi oil tanker, the Tadmur, at about 6 a.m. EDT and asked it to stop for inspection and ''it did not.''

The tanker was proceeding south, out of the Jordanian port of Aqaba, Williams said.

The Montgomery fired warning shots across the tanker's bow with .50 caliber machine guns and sent a boarding party of Navy and Coast Guard members aboard the vessel, Williams said.

The boarding party, however, found no oil or other cargo and allowed the ship to proceed, he added.

It was the fourth time a U.S. warship has fired warning shots near tankers and cargo ships in Middle East waters since the United States began its interdiction program Aug. 17 to enforce U.N. sanctions against Iraqi goods.

No injuries have been reported.

Williams said that, as of Thursday, there had been 1,400 interceptions, most of them by simple radio contact with captains of commercial ships to ask about their cargo and destination. In addition, there have been 125 boardings, 110 by U.S. warships and the others by warships of other nations.

Six ships have been diverted from their intended destinations, five after boardings took place and one without a boarding, Williams said.

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LONDON (SEPT. 27) UPI - British entry to the European Monetary System and a drop in interest rates to 10 or 11 percent could stimulate further inflation, a former economic adviser to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said Thursday.

Sir Alan Walters, who resigned as economic adviser to Thatcher last year, said

he believed political pressure would lead to Britain's early entry into the European Regulatory Mechanism, a first step toward European Community monetary union.

Walters, a long-term opponent of monetary union, forecast continued hard times for the British economy, even after entry to the ERM is achieved.

''It will be turbulent indeed if we go in anything like short term, and if we do go down with interest rates, to say 10 or 11 percent, I am afraid we may see inflation ignite again,'' he said in a television interview.

The British inflation rate, one of the worst in Europe, hit 10.2 percent in August and was fueled Thursday when when Texaco and Esso increased gasoline prices to about $4.50 a gallon.

Walters' comments came as speculation increased that Britain would be forced to drop interest rates in view of increasing evidence of an economic recession and in spite of official denials of such a downturn.

''We are in a mild recession. Not steep, but it is likely to get worse,'' said Walters.

Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major warned the cabinet Thursday that inflation would not come down very soon.

In Washington this week, Major said entry into the ERM, previously based on British inflation dropping to the European average, could be conditioned instead on future falls in prices.

''The government is looking more realistically at the ERM as a way of getting interest rates down without drastically dropping them suddenly,'' said Adrian Cunningham, an economist at Bank of America.

The Prime Minister, addressing the Confederation of British Industry in Wales Wednesday night, downplayed the critics of her economic management, which calls for high interest rates, at about 15 percent, to combat inflation.

''The voices of gloom and the newspapers talk of the end of the British economic miracle. Why, after all these years of sustained growth, the right philosophy and the right policy?'' she asked.

The CBI is among groups calling for a drop in interest rates, citing sharp falls in British industrial output blamed on the loss of export markets and falling internal consumer demand.

The Thatcher government may have to drop the interest rates soon if Conservative Party fortunes in the next general election, scheduled at the latest in the fall of 1992, are to prosper.

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OMAHA (SEPT. 27) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle none; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs slaughter 1,300; butchers $1.50 lower, No 1-3 230-260 lbs. 57.00-57.50, No 1-2 220-230 lbs. 57.00, No 2-3 260-280 lbs. 56.00-57.00; sows 20 percent, $1.00 to $2.00 lower, No 1-3 350-500 lbs. 45.50-46.00, 470-500 lbs. instances 46.50, No 2-3 500-650 lbs. 48.00.

Sheep none.

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#90270u1098 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
LUSAKA, ZAMBIA (SEPT. 27) UPI - Zambia's ruling party Thursday nominated President Kenneth Kaunda to run in the nation's first free elections since 1972, following a concession by Kaunda to phase out the single- party system.

The United National Independence Party's 600-strong council ended a four-day special session unanimously making Kaunda the party's candidate for the October 1991 elections.

Kaunda accepted the nomination and told the party session he wanted a peaceful transition to a multi-party democracy.

''We have seen elsewhere that if this transition is not carried out with firm national discipline, it deteriorates into a condition of anarchy.''

Attacking the pro-democracy advocates who mobilized tens of thousands of Zambians in protests against his rule, Kaunda branded them ''anarchists and political thieves.''

He warned, ''If they continue insulting us and police gather adequate evidence of this, they will not go unpunished.''

The president Tuesday suspended three UNIP parliamentarians from the 135-member caucus for propagating multi-party democracy, saying the trio went ''too far in their criticism of the party policies.''

But pro-democracy activists had welcomed his concession to end one- party rule and abandon a national referendum scheduled for August 1991 to test support for a multi-party system. Kuanda called the referendum at the end of June, after a week of bloody anti-government rioting.

The 66-year-old leader, who has ruled since independence from Britain in 1964, said Monday he was proposing a restoration of democracy without holding a referendum to prevent further bloodshed in the debt-strapped southern African state and because ''I do not want to split the country into two camps.''

In terms of Kaunda's proposals, a president would be directly elected for a five-year term by a majority vote. But he gave no details of requirements for candidates or prospective parties.

Kaunda's announcement followed massive public protests, two of them drawing up to 100,000 people, by citizens demanding an early implementation of multi-party democracy.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - Paper companies Thursday strongly disputed government findings that their mills are contaminating fish with hazardous dioxin at levels posing a serious health risk to people who eat the fish.

Industry officials charged the Environmental Protection Agency relied on outdated information in assessing health risks from dioxin residues released into streams from mill bleaching processes used to make white paper products.

They said the agency relied on fish tissue samples taken in 1988 that did not reflect recent improvements in the bleaching process that the companies claim have greatly reduced dioxin discharges.

''The EPA ignored more recent data that calls into serious question the basis of their risk assessments,'' said Richard Phillips, vice president and director of process technology for the International Paper Co., whose Georgetown, S.C., plant was cited as posing the highest dioxin risks of any U.S. paper mill.

''EPA hardly mentioned the substantial progress International Paper, and the paper industry generally, have made during the last two years in reducing the level of dioxin formation during the pulp bleaching process,'' Phillips said.

The EPA said people eating two quarter-pound meals per month of fish caught downstream of the Georgetown plant faced a lifetime cancer risk of one in 100. Altogether, the EPA said there were 20 paper mills nationwide exposing local fishermen to a lifetime cancer risk greater than one in 10,000. The EPA considers a cancer risk of one in a million a permissible level of dioxin risk.

The industry already has pledged cooperation with EPA efforts to reduce dioxin discharges by improving its bleaching process.

Phillips said the problems with the EPA's risk figures were illustrated by its

assessment of his company's South Carolina plant.

He said International Paper offered EPA data on fish contamination levels compiled by South Carolina officials in April 1990, but the EPA refused to accept the new information. Phillips said the state data reflected much lower fish contamination than indicated by the 1988 data relied on by the EPA.

Betsy Southerland, director of EPA's contaminated fish and sediment task force acknowledged the EPA's risk assessment reflected conditions as they existed in 1988.

However, she said dioxin residues tend to settle on river bottoms, where they can linger for extended periods of time, depending on river currents.

Consequently, she said even if paper mills had reduced dioxin discharges since 1988, substantial dioxin risks probably were still presented by contaminated sediments, which affect bottom-feeding fish.

''When you clean out your pipe, that doesn't mean you clean out the food chain '' Southerland said. ''We would still have the concern that you have residual contamination in the sediments.''

Southerland said she was unaware of any offer by paper companies to provide updated fish-testing data. She said the EPA risk assessment was based on a joint EPA-industry analysis of paper mill wastewater discharges in 1988.

Southerland said some of the nation's 104 paper mills had offered the EPA more recent data on dioxin discharges, but the agency did not accept them because EPA officials did not know if the testing methods used gave a ''representative'' picture of wastewater releases.

''You could go out and take one sample when you know dioxin levels are going to be low,'' she noted.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - The biomedical technology industry in the Houston area will more than double in size this year and grow to over $1 billion in total revenues by 1995, a study released Thursday indicated.

The survey involved 70 area companies and was conducted by Sommers & Associates, a marketing communications, public relations and market research company.

Survey questionnaires were sent to more than 400 Houston-area companies that are either members of biomedical organizations or are listed in the State Comptroller's Office records as being in one of 18 areas related to biological

and medical technology.

''The Houston biomed companies responding to our survey expect their revenues to increase to approximately $420 million in 1990, up 55 percent from last year's $270 million,'' said Thomas G. Sommers, president of the firm. ''The 70 survey companies expect their sales to grow an additional 240 percent by 1995, reaching a total of $1.03 billion.''

The forecast indicates Houston ''is in the major leagues'' in biomedical technology, Sommers said, and that the companies see significant future growth from technologies and products now moving toward commercial application.

''It appears the synergy of being able to work on biological and medical technologies in proximity to institutions like those in the Texas Medical Center is about to pay off,'' he said.

By comparison, the San Francisco Bay area - the accepted biotechnology capital of the United States - had 1989 biotechnology revenues estimated at $1.04 billion, Sommers said.

The survey companies' billion-dollar sales estimate excludes new companies that could start up before 1995 and currently existing companies that failed to respond, Sommers said.

Companies included in the survey range from molecular biology- oriented biotech firms to developers of medical devices, surgical instruments and therapeutic equipment.

Two-thirds of the companies reported having active research and development programs underway, and 22 in collaboration with a local university or medical institution.

Houston's biomed industry has grown at a 15 percent annual rate during the 1980s, the survey showed. Based on company predictions, the growth rate will accelerate to almost 20 percent a year between 1990 and 1995.

Total employment by survey companies more than doubled in the past 10 years, rising from about 1,800 a decade ago to 3,800 this year. Survey respondents expect an additional 30 percent increase in workforce size by 1995.

Of the 70 surveys participating in the survey, only 14, or 20 percent, were founded prior to 1980. Only eight of the participating companies are publicly owned.

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DENVER (SEPT. 27) UPI - Neil Bush, the president's son, repeatedly denied

Thursday that he had any conflict of interest while serving as a director of the failed Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan.

In the first public hearing into the failure of a savings and loan, an administrative law judge is considering government allegations that Bush, 35, acted improperly during his three-year term as an outside director of Silverado.

The 1988 failure of Silverado, expected to cost taxpayers $1 billion, was one of the largest thrift failures in the nation and has received increased attention because of the involvement of the president's son, who served on the board of directors from August 1985 to August 1988.

The Office of Thrift Supervision has charged Bush with three violations of conflict-of-interest standards.

Bush is accused of failing to fully disclose his business dealings with developer Bill Walters while voting on $111 million in loans and transactions, and failing to fully disclose his financial dependence on Ken Good, a developer and Silverado borrower. Walters and Good defaulted on about $130 million in Silverado loans.

Bush said he believed other members of the board of directors were generally aware of his business relationships with Walters and Good. But he said he didn't recall any specific discussions with board members about those ties.

''My loyalty to Silverado was never impaired by my relationship to Bill Walters,'' Bush said. ''I had absolutely no doubt that I didn't have a conflict.''

Bush, dressed in a dark blue suit, white shirt and red-and-blue striped tie, said, ''Even the highest standard of conduct could not have prevented Silverado's failure.''

Bush and his wife, Sharon, entered the federal courthouse through a delivery entrance to avoid the crowd of photographers outside.

Administrative law judge Daniel Davidson twice admonished Bush not to go beyond the question with his answers. At one point, the prosecuting attorney had asked about the reputation of an institution, and Bush called the question ''outrageous and hypothetical.''

On Wednesday, prosecution and defense experts on legal and business ethics gave conflicting opinions about Bush's behavior as a Silverado director.

Geoffrey Hazard, a professor at Yale Law School and director of the American Law Institute, testified for the defense. Edward Conry, an associate professor of business law and ethics at the University of Colorado at Denver and former

research fellow at Yale Divinity School, testified for the government.

Hazard said Bush was not a party to any transactions on loans between Silverado and Walters, and therefore did not breach Colorado conflict-of-interest rules.

''There is nothing inconsistent between Bush's actions and generally accepted ethical principles,'' Hazard testified.

Conry said that Bush, by becoming a Silverado director, had assumed the obligation of placing the thrift's interest above his own. The professor said Bush did not sufficiently disclose his relationships with Walters and Good.

Because Bush has a master's degree in business administration, Conry said he thinks Bush ''would have been aware of the legal and moral obligations which were the foundations of his position as a director of Silverado.''

''I conclude Mr. Bush was imprudent, unethical and fully culpable,'' Conry said.

Conry, paid $12,400 by the government as an expert witness, also testified he thought Bush had ''deceived himself when he said he saw no conflict. ... His picture of reality is not accurate.''

A final decision in the case is not expected until next spring.

In addition to the OTS complaint, Bush is a co-defendant in a $200 million suit by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., against Silverado's former directors.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - A seven-hour stand-off in Berkeley, California, ended this morning when police shot and wounded a gunman who they say killed one person and wounded seven others during the night. Police shot the suspect when he walked out of Henry's Bar in the Durant Hotel, one block from the University of California campus. .

The suspect held as many as 20 hostages during the ordeal, but some escaped or were allowed to leave. Witnesess said the gunman apparently had a grudge against white women and sexually harassed his white female hostages during the night.

The United States has rejected out of hand an Iraqi demand that it produce a list of all non-Embassy personnel at the U-S mission in Baghdad. Iraq says it will execute any diplomat who hides foreigners. Demands for similar lists have been handed to all embassies in Iraq. .

The scope of the international action against Iraq may expand to include non-combat peace-keepers from Japan. The Japanese constitution bans sending military forces to other countries, but the government is mulling the idea of sending a force that would be involved in non- military activities.

The agency that insures bank deposits is losing money faster than expected. F-D-I-C assets dropped 14 percent in the first half of the year, to 11-point-four-BILLION dollars. And that could leave a three- BILLION-dollar loss for the entire year, up from the original two- BILLION-dollar estimate.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - Soviet Gen. Mikhail Moiseyev, deputy defense minister and chief of the general staff, will arrive in Washington Sunday for a six-day U.S. visit that will include a news conference at the Pentagon.

It will be Moiseyev's first visit to the United States, Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said. The Soviet military leader will be the guest of Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Williams said Moiseyev will arrive at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., at 5 p.m. Sunday, where he will make a statement and speak briefly with U.S. reporters.

An honor ceremony will be held Monday upon his arrival at the Pentagon. The Soviet general and Powell will later place a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery.

During the week, Moiseyev will tour U.S. troops from all four military services in New York, Michigan, South Dakota, California and Colorado, Williams said.

On Wednesday night, Moiseyev will speak at a dinner hosted by the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, the World Affairs Council of Northern California and the Commonwealth Club.

Moiseyev and Powell plan to hold a joint news conference late Friday at the Pentagon, Williams said, and Moiseyev will leave Friday night for Moscow.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - A 52-year-old church deacon from the Boston suburb of Kingston, Massachusetts, faces arraignment today after police found the body of a young neighbor girl buried in his basement. The 13-year-old victim disappeared on September 15th after leaving her home to visit her father's grave.

Experts on legal and business ethics gave conflicting testimony in Denver yesterday about the behavior of President Bush's son while he was a director of the Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan prior to its collapse. The Office of Thrift Supervision has charged Neil Bush with three violations of conflict-of-interest standards. Bush is expected to testify today.

The Senate Judiciary Committee is to vote today on whether to recommend that the full Senate confirm the nomination of David Souter to the U-S Supreme Court. It appears as if Souter has the support of a majority of the members of the panel. The full Senate likely will vote on the nomination next week.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - The Senate Judiciary Committee approved David Souter's nomination to the Supreme Court Thursday as respect for the New Hampshire jurist's intellect outweighed liberal concerns about his views on abortion.

The full Senate is expected to confirm Souter, probably next week - shortly after the Supreme Court begins its new term. He would become the court's 105th jurist and replace Justice William Brennan, who retired in July after 34 years as a leading liberal on the court.

The Judiciary Committee voted 13-1 as seven of the panel's eight Democrats, including Chairman Joseph Biden of Delaware, joined with all six Republicans to back the nomination.

Also voting for Souter were Sens. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, Paul Simon, D-Ill., Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., Howell Heflin, D-Ala. Herbert Kohl, D-Wis., Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, Alan Simpson, R-Wyo., Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, Arlen Specter, R-Pa., and Gordon Humphrey, R-N.H.

Only Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., voted against the nomination.

At a political campaign stop in Cleveland, President Bush told the crowd, ''I just got some good news from Washington. The Senate Judiciary Committee strongly endorsed my nominee, my outstanding nominee for the Supreme Court in a 13-1 vote.''

Bush went on to ''urge the full Senate to confirm him as quickly as possible. He is an outstanding jurist, and I think that is good news for all who are committed to the Constitution of the United States. He will be a superb jurist.''

Souter could become the Supreme Court's swing vote on abortion rights and his

refusal to give an opinion on the subject during his confirmation hearing was criticized by several Democratic senators.

Groups supporting abortion rights interpreted his silence as a sign he would roll back previous court rulings on abortions. But most of the Democratic senators on the committee praised Souter as a fair-minded jurist.

Although Biden acknowledged that Souter's nomination was a ''mixed picture,'' he said Souter demonstrated that he was not ''a doctrinaire legal conservative'' and ''his mind is an open one.''

Given Bush's opposition to abortion, Biden said Souter is ''the best we can hope for.''

But Kennedy said the Senate is ''still in the dark about this nomination and the lesson of the last 10 years is ''that we must vote on ''s is ''that we must vote on

''I am troubled that if Judge Souter joins the current closely divided Supreme Court, he will solidify a 5-4 anti-civil rights, anti-privacy majority inclined to turn back the clock on the historic progress of recent decades,'' Kennedy said. ''I hope I am wrong. But I fear I am right.''

Republicans criticized Democrats who have opposed the nomination for using a ''litmus test'' to judge the nomination - with Simpson suggesting that if they want to advance their positions they should ''go get a different president.''

In announcing their support for Souter Wednesday, liberals Leahy and Kohl said they would have liked to have known his views on abortion, but were confident he would approach the issue without prejudging it.

''The majority of Americans expect David Souter will share their view that decisions about reproduction are best left to the individual,'' said Leahy. ''I cannot predict how he will vote in every instance but I do not think this country should have a completely predictable Supreme Court.''

Kohl praised Souter's views on the separation of church and state and predicted he would ''be a justice whose decisions will benefit consumers.''

''I believe the right to choose is a fundamental one and I would like to have heard Judge Souter say so. But at least we didn't hear him say that a woman does not have that right,'' Kohl said.

''Maybe that is the best we can hope for at this time.''

Souter, 51, a member of the 1st U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals since April and a New Hampshire Supreme Court justice for seven years, repeatedly sidestepped questions about abortion during his three days of testimony this month.

He said he believes the Constitution includes a fundamental right to privacy, which, for example, would cover a married couple's right to use contraception. But he refused to say whether that right extends to abortion.

Souter told the committee it would be inappropriate for him to answer such questions because of the likelihood the Supreme Court will review the 1973 Roe vs. Wade decision that guarantees a woman's right to abortion.

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (SEPT. 27) UPI - An earthquake measuring 4.7 on the Richter scale jolted the central South African city of Welkom and its goldfields early Thursday, killing two miners and causing some surface damage.

The quake, preceded by a smaller tremor, began at 1:09 a.m., lasted several seconds and shook buildings across the city and in outlying areas, mines seismic researcher Alexander Mendecki said.

Fallen rocks at the city's President Brand gold mine killed two miners and injured five, mine owner Anglo American Corp. said in a statement. ''The damage ... is still being assessed,'' AAC said.

A civil defense official of Welkom, 170 miles southwest of Johannesburg, noted the tremor caused some damage to property but no casualties among residents.

''We have cracked walls and lots of broken windows,'' he said. ''I think the worst part for residents was that lots of them were shaken awake so early.''

Said resident Margaret van Rensburg, ''Our house seemed to be trembling like crazy. It was really quite scary.''

Mendecki noted quakes measuring around 4.7 maginitude hit the area about once a year, adding the tremor of January 1989 had been the most serious in recent years and left ''some fairly major'' surface damage, particularly in the mining areas.

He said any link between quakes and mining activity around Welkom ''is almost impossible to make... we can't say for certain what effect, if any, the activity has on natural tectonic processes.''

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LAKELAND, FL (SEPT. 27) UPI - A proposed free-trade agreement with Mexico - the third-largest citrus producer in the world - could devastate Florida's lucrative citrus industry, an agricultural trade group said Thursday.

The trade proposal would eliminate tariffs and duties on imports and exports, freeing up cheaper citrus products from Mexico, said Bobby F. McKown, executive vice president of Florida Citrus Mutual.

''To give a mature industry the size of Brazil's duty-free treatment would have a disastrous effect on the Florida citrus industry,'' McKown said from his Lakeland office.

Mexican exporters of fruits and vegetables would have an unfair advantage because growers there do not have to match the overhead growers here do, he said.

''We have unemployment to pay for, workmen's compensation, health care, social security,'' McKown said. ''All of these are costs that Mexico does not have to deal with.''

Those factors, coupled with a lower wage scale and more liberal, less-costly agricultural chemical restrictions would allow Mexican producers to sell their crops for less.

President Bush informed Congress Wednesday the United States plans to start negotiations with Mexico on a free-trade agreement between the two countries that would gradually take effect.

Canada, which already has a free-trade pact with the United States, is also involved in the negotiations. The talks could lead to the formation of a North American Free Trade Zone.

The lost revenue would have a severe impact on the multibillion- dollar industry and the estimated 144,000 state citrus workers, McKown said.

While Mexico currently provides 12 percent of the U.S. imports of orange juice and about 14 percent of the frozen juice, exports to Mexico are miniscule, McKown said.

''It's been one-way trade as far as citurs is concerned,'' he said. ''With a free flow agreement, you would have a deterioration of the U.S. citrus industry. There would be a considerable loss of jobs and closing of packing houses.''

The new threat has forced an unlikely alliance of California, Arizona, Texas and Florida, citrus states at risk under the trade proposal.

''We are working very closely together,'' McKown said. ''Those four states would be the hardest-hit. We have been considering this for quite some time now.''

Florida Citrus Mutual, along with co-petitioners from Florida and California, has filed comments with the House Ways and Means Committee and the International Trade Commission, McKown said.

The group opposes the lifting of tariffs, and recommends that economic and agricultural standards in Mexico be raised to match those in the United States he said.

Also at stake are commodities such as tomatoes, melons and strawberries. The state could lose between $5 billion and $7 billion annually to Mexico if free flow is allowed, according to the Florida Fruit & Vegetable Association.

Such an influx of strawberries could ''upset our delicate balance,'' said Chip Hinton, executive director of the Florida Strawberry Growers Association in Plant City, Fla.

Hillsborough County, Fla.'s strawberry industry, which was valued at $89 million last year, supplies 21 percent of the nation's winter strawberries.

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OKEFENOKEE SWAMP, Ga. (SEPT. 27) UPI - A nearly 4-week-old fire in the Okefenokee Swamp mushroomed to 11,000 acres Thursday, forcing firefighters to revamp their strategy to protect stands of nearby commercial pine forests.

Jim Burkhart, spokesman for the Okefenokee Wildlife Refuge, said firefighters abandoned the swamp to let it burn, and were building fire lines to keep flames away from the commercial timber.

''The last day or so we've been really hampered by a lot of smoke hanging over the fire,'' Burkhart said, adding the fire was spreading rapidly to the southwest.

''It's doing its own thing out in the swamp area,'' Burkhart said.

Refuge officials are concerned that commercial pine timber growing along the swamp's perimeter will not be able to resist the effects of the flames if the swamp fire manages to escape the refuge.

Burkhart said the pines, normally fire resistant, also have suffered from the drought conditions that have drained the swamp.

''You have the potential for either killing the tree or exposing it to big damage,'' Burkhart said. ''There are going to be some trees lost ... but it's not a wholesale loss.''

Officials said rain offers the only opportunity of relief from the blaze, but

forecasters are not predicting any showers in the near future.

The fire, started by lightning Sept. 1, smoldered across 2,600 acres without spreading significantly in recent weeks until a dry cold front moved through south Georgia over the weekend, bringing a drop in humidity and 10-15 mph winds. On Tuesday, the fire spread to 5,000 acres.

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#90270u1194 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

TUNIS, Tunisia (SEPT. 27) UPI - Was Mohamed Ali Mahjoubi, the former Tunisian Secretary of State for Security who was fired mysteriously last month, manipulated by a spy working for the Israeli secret services?

A Tunisian weekly magazine, ''Realites,'' contends this was the case Thursday and suggests that Mahjoubi, who was fired Aug. 20, may have been linked to the April 16, 1988, assassination of PLO military leader Abu Jihad.

No official reason has been given for the sacking of Mahjoubi, who only was appointed to his post March 3.

The government did not disclose that Mahjoubi had been fired until Tuesday when the semi-governmental newspaper ''La Presse'' announced that Mahjoubi had been ''arrested and put at the disposal of justice'' for ''abuse of power for personal ends in his previous position as commissaire of police.''

The newspaper report seemed designed to scotch rumors circulating that Mahjoubi may have died in prison.

The magazine article published Thursday charges that Mahjoubi was linked to a certain ''Raoudha, alias Lilia,'' the manager of a hairdresser's salon in a luxury hotel in Tunis. Lilia used the job as a ''cover to devote herself to collecting information and selling it to a foreign power.''

''Certain information'' suggest she was in contact with the Israeli secret service Mossad, the magazine said.

Abu Jihad and Mahjoubi were neighbors at the Tunis suburb of Sidi Bous Said, and according to the magazine report, Mahjoubi had the police guard removed from Abu Jihad's villa on the eve of the Israeli attack.

The report says Mahjoubi also may have ''collaborated with another power,'' which not identified. But speculation is rife in Tunis the former police chief may have also have had links with Libya.

For the moment, however, the murky affair seems set to remain a mystery until Mahjoubi's trial, if it ever takes place.

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GALVESTON, TX (SEPT. 27) UPI - An 8-year-old Russian boy suffering deep burns over slightly more than 30 percent of his body must undergo surgery to remove the dead skin, a doctor at a renowned Texas burn hospital said Thursday.

Anton Avdeenko and his mother, Anna, 32, arrived about 9:30 a.m. Thursday at Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children-Burn Institute, ending a historic medical ambulance flight.

''We have examined Anton and found that he has a little over 30 percent burn, all of which is very deep and will require surgery,'' said Dr. Paul Waymack, adding the boy, who speaks no English, was in good spirits.

The boy has second- and third-degree burns suffered during an outdoor accident involving a chemical fire at his home Sept. 17, Waymack said. The burns are scattered over the boy's body, but the worst injuries are on Anton's legs, he said.

Shortly after his arrival at the hospital, Anton was taken off a ventilator he had been using since developing breathing problems during the first leg of the flight from the Soviet east coast city of Magadan to Anchorage, Alaska.

Anton was hospitalized briefly in Anchorage Wednesday because of the breathing problem.

''This was just due to the fact that when in an airplane the oxygen content is low because of the altitude ... He is doing very well right now,'' Waymack said, adding the youth was eager to get off the ventilator so he could eat.

Waymack said skin grafts will be performed after the damaged skin is removed Friday. Tests were being conducted to determine whether the grafts will be made from unburned areas of the patient's body or from cadavers.

The medical evacuation was the first from the Soviet Far East to the United States, said Dr. Ted Mala of Anchorage, who pioneered medical exchanges between Alaska and Siberia.

The Soviets called for help Sunday when Anton's condition began deteriorating. They renewed their requests Tuesday. That night, with visas waived and approvals granted, Rocky Mountain Helicopters of Provo, Utah, which operates Providence Hospital's LifeGuard Alaska program, sent its air ambulance for Magadan.

The closest Soviet burn treatment center to Magadan reportedly is in western Russia, farther than the closest American help.

The Shriners hospital in Galveston is well-known for successfully treating severely burned patients and routinely admits children from other countries.

This is not the first time the Shriners have helped Soviet children. Gene Bracewell, board chairman for the Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children hospital system, said the organization provided free medical care to Soviet children injured in the 1988 Armenia earthquake and a 1989 train explosion in the Ural Mountains.

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#90270u1204 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

VALDOSTA, Ga. (SEPT. 27) UPI - The sound of autumn on south Georgia highways is the annoying splatter of ''love bugs'' meeting their death on the windshields of motorists speeding through the creatures' mating grounds.

From the first of September to the end of October, hordes of male and female love bugs take to the air to court along the highways, bedeviling motorists as they splatter on windshields and stick to paint jobs.

''They can get so bad that they'll clog up radiators and cause overheating. They're particularly a nuisance in paint shops. All somebody has to do is open a door, and two will fly in, not one,'' said J. J. Whitesell, an entomologist at Valdosta State College.

There's no disputing that love bugs are a highway nuisance, but the insects are just doing what comes naturally, Whitesell said Thursday.

''They're flying around these areas, mating and flying to various wildflowers where they can get some nectar. They get hit by cars, that's all. They don't sting. They don't bite. They're just there,'' he said.

The insects are actually black flies, plecia neartcia, that were dubbed love bugs because of their prodigious lovemaking. Love bugs spend their adult life mating, and when the eggs are laid, they die, Whitesell said.

''It seems to be constant, but we're not sure. I've seen females flying around with dead males attached to them. In the lab, we had a mating pair mate for seven days,'' he said.

Love bugs thrive in heat and moisture, and the steamy asphalt of southern Georgia's highways is a magnet for them, Whitesell said.

''They're attracted to heat, and the highways get hotter than most surrounding areas. The larvae grow along roadsides, particulary roadsides that have been cut in the summer and produce leaf litter. Larvae eat leaf litter,'' he said. ''The larvae only eat dead grass. If anything, they are beneficial insects.''

Love bugs have a bivoltine system, in which two generations are born each year one in the spring which begets one in the fall. Whitesell said it appears this year's spring generation produced an unusually large number of fall offspring. But, he cautioned that his figures are based on an unscientific study.

''My sampling comes from driving down the road,'' he said.

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#90270u1214 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - The human rights group Asia Watch on Thursday named 867 people missing in China since the 1989 pro-democracy protests, and said China appears unwilling to account for them without Western pressure.

Asia Watch said the actual number of people apparently held by authorities for political or religious activities is at least twice as large, probably much higher, and compared the situation to the mass disappearances of citizens in Latin America.

The 130-page report, based on official and non-official sources, consists mostly of a person-by-person listing of all those the group has been able to verify as being held by Chinese authorities since the Tiananmen Square protests were violently crushed by the government June 4, 1989.

Several hundred to several thousand people were believed killed in the military action to end two months of student-led protests. The government has said only 300 people, mostly soldiers, were killed.

''The unavoidable conclusion is that China now has a major 'disappearances' problem, one similar in scale to any previously seen in, for example, Central and South America,'' the report said.

Tens of thousands of people who opposed governments in Argentina and Guatemala have disappeared over the past four decades and are widely believed to have been killed by government forces.

An author of the report, Robin Munro, said it was intended to help resurrect the issue of China in Western nations, particularly the United States, where President Bush has backed far away from his initial harsh statements against Beijing to even approve most-favored-nation trading status this year.

Munro said such actions as granting preferred trading status embolden China in its crackdown on political dissent, while U.S. criticism has produced such changes as this summer's release of dissident astrophysicist Fang Lizhi.

''China is very sensitive to its international image,'' he said.

Congress is expected to begin debate within two weeks on removing China's most-favored-nation trade status, and Munro said his group backs an effort by Rep. Donald Pease, D-Ohio, to tie the issue to China's political prisoners.

Asia Watch, in what it called the ''most comprehensive compilation by any human rights organization to date,'' said at least 1,722 people were missing or still being held in China, including the 867 people it was able to name.

The numbers were compiled partly from Asia Watch sources inside and outside China, but most were based on media reports from throughout China that have listed arrests since the Tiananmen Square protests, but rarely have told of where they are being held, results of trials or prisoner releases, it said.

Such Chinese media reports spoke of thousands of people being detained in single roundups at various times, although Munro said his group's figures are based only on specific numbers given in individual media reports.

China's only official statement on prisoner releases was made earlier this year when Beijing said 881 people were released between January and May.

But the official statement gave few names, and Asia Watch has only been able to confirm about 44 releases since the crackdown at Tiananmen Square, Munro said in an interview from the group's New York headquarters.

''If more than those 881 have been released, it's in the interest of the Chinese authorites to say so,'' Munro said.

''In the last few months the Chinese government has had a lot of success in kind of conveying the impression that most of these people were released,'' he said. ''We're in contact with a lot of these people, and we know they're not released.''

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	78.65	79.17	78.65	79.00	78.47
Dec	76.00	76.30	75.87	76.25	75.70
Feb	74.30	74.70	74.25	74.60	74.12
Apr	75.15	75.47	75.15	75.35	75.07
Jun	72.80	73.15	72.80	73.10	72.90
Aug	71.45	71.80	71.40	71.75	71.45
Oct	71.60	71.60	71.60	71.60	71.52

Est. sales 14,643 contracts; Wednesday 18, 338; open interest 66,755 off 1,217.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb
Sep 89.22 89.37 89.22 89.35 89.17
Oct 86.25 87.00 86.25 86.90 86.17
Nov 85.75 86.25 85.65 86.15 85.65
Jan 84.80 85.10 84.75 84.95 84.87
Mar 83.45 83.75 83.35 83.35 83.40
Apr 82.60 82.80 82.55 82.60 82.47
May 81.90 81.90 81.60 81.65 81.70 Est. sales 2,024 contracts; Wednesday 1,889; open interest 11,533 off 63.
Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
Oct 53.55 54.40 53.35 53.85 54.07
Dec 51.75 52.40 51.65 51.80 52.10
Feb 49.35 49.85 49.20 49.27 49.67
Apr 46.60 46.85 46.37 46.42 46.72
Jun 50.05 50.35 49.70 49.80 50.20
Jly 50.00 50.35 49.85 50.25 50.00
Aug 48.80 48.85 48.60 48.95 48.70
Oct 44.25 44.25 44.05 44.20 44.07 Est. sales 8,276 contracts; Wednesday 7,034; open interest 26,540 off 478.
Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 56.20 58.15 56.05 57.37 56.20
Mar 56.25 58.05 56.15 57.42 56.22
May 57.30 58.80 57.10 57.70 57.15
Jly 57.50 58.70 57.10 57.70 57.15
Aug 56.20 56.50 55.70 56.50 55.00 Est. sales 4,131 contracts; Wednesday 2,636; open interest 5,724 off 72.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 123.63 up 22 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 123.42 down 3 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 116.94 up 5 cents, 700-850 lbs. 116.38 up 5 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow to moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins were not well established with a continued weak undertone; Boston butts firm; skinned hams 3.00-6.00 lower; seedless bellies sharply higher in a thin test; loins 14-18 lbs. 112.00; butts 4-8 lbs. 82.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 96.00, 20-26 lbs. 94.00-96.00, 32 lbs. and up 89.00; bellies 14-16 lbs. 64.00, 16-18 lbs. 57.00.

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VATICAN CITY (SEPT. 27) UPI - The Vatican Thursday welcomed the preliminary approval of a Soviet law allowing religious freedom Thursday but said it was anxious to see its final promulgation.

''Obviously we have learned with great satisfaction of the approval of this law, which renders justice to millions of believers in the Soviet Union,'' said Vatican spokesman Joaquin Navarro Valls. ''We await with anxiety the promulgation of this new norm, which has been announced many times.''

Navarro spoke after the approval ''in principle'' of the law ending more than 70 years of official atheism in the Soviet Union by the Supreme Soviet Wednesday.

Vatican sources said Navarro was referring to Soviet legislative procedure which requires the general approval of a law to be followed by a discussion of eventual amendments before its final passage.

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev promised Pope John Paul II during their historic meeting in the Vatican Dec. 1 that the law granting ''freedom of conscience'' would be introduced shortly in the Soviet Parliament.

The pope made its adoption a main condition of his eventual visit to Moscow in response to an invitation extended by Gorbachev.

Archbishop Francesco Colasuonno, the papal representative appointed to Moscow under an agreement to restore ''permanent diplomatic contacts'' early this year, told reporters the Soviet law has some shortcomings, notably the refusal to permit religious instruction in Soviet schools and to permit the Catholic Church to open and run its own religious schools.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.78	2.78 1/2	2.76 1/4	2.77 1/2	2.76 1/2
Mar	2.91 1/2	2.92 1/2	2.90	2.92	2.90 1/2
May	2.99 1/2	2.99 3/4	2.97 3/4	2.98 3/4	2.97 3/4
Jly	3.04 1/2	3.04 1/2	3.02 1/2	3.04	3.03
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.28 1/4	2.28 3/4	2.27 1/4	2.27 1/2	2.28 1/4
Mar	2.37 3/4	2.38 1/4	2.36 3/4	2.37 1/4	2.37 3/4
May	2.43	2.44	2.42 3/4	2.43	2.43 3/4
Jly	2.47	2.47 3/4	2.46	2.46 1/2	2.47
Sep	2.43 1/2	2.45	2.43 1/2	2.44 1/4	2.43 1/4
Dec	2.44 1/2	2.46 3/4	2.44 1/2	2.46	2.44 3/4

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.14 1/4	1.17	1.14 1/4	1.16		1.14 1/4
Mar	1.24 3/4	1.27	1.24 3/4	1.26 1/4		1.24 3/4
May	1.32 3/4	1.34 1/4	1.32 3/4	1.33 1/4		1.32 1/2
Jly	1.40	1.40 1/2	1.39 1/2	1.39 1/2		1.39 1/4
Sep	1.45 1/2	1.46 1/2	1.45	1.45		1.46

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	6.15 1/2	6.22	6.15	6.19 1/4		6.15 1/2
Jan	6.30 1/2	6.36 1/4	6.29 1/2	6.33 3/4		6.30
Mar	6.42 1/2	6.49 1/2	6.42	6.46 1/4		6.42 1/4
May	6.51 1/4	6.58 1/2	6.51	6.55 1/2		6.51 1/4
Jly	6.59 1/2	6.55 1/2	6.58 1/2	6.63 1/4		6.58 1/4
Aug	6.57	6.60 1/4	6.54 1/2	6.58		6.54
Nov	6.25	6.28 1/2	6.23	6.26		6.24 3/4

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Oct	23.47	23.57	23.33	23.38	23.46
Dec	23.77	23.84	23.63	23.72	23.75
Jan	24.02	24.07	23.90	23.99	24.00
Mar	24.33	24.35	24.20	24.31	24.27
May	24.50	24.60	24.43	24.54	24.47
Jly	24.55	24.65	24.50	24.65	24.55
Aug	24.35	24.55	24.35	24.50	24.40
Sep	24.10	24.30	24.10	24.30	24.10
Oct	23.85	23.90	23.85	23.90	23.75
Dec	23.50	23.60	23.50	23.60	23.60

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	176.50	178.00	175.80	177.20	176.50
Dec	182.00	183.90	181.60	183.30	181.80
Jan	183.50	185.80	183.50	185.40	183.60
Mar	187.00	188.70	186.50	188.40	186.70
May	188.70	190.20	188.30	189.50	188.00
Jly	190.50	191.00	189.50	190.70	190.00
Aug	190.00	191.00	190.00	190.00	189.00
Sep	189.50	190.00	189.00	189.00	188.70
Oct	187.00	188.50	187.00	187.50	187.70
Dec	187.00	187.70	187.00	187.70	188.50

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - The Senate Judiciary Committee endorsed David Souter's nomination to the Supreme Court today... and full Senate confirmation is expected, probably next week. The judiciary panel voted 13-1 for approval, with seven of the panel's eight Democrats- including Chairman Joseph Biden of

Delaware- joining all six Republicans to back the nomination. Only Senator Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts voted against confirmation. Souter would become the court's 105th jurist, replacing Justice William Brennan, who retired in July after 34 years as a leading liberal on the court.

A seven-hour hostage drama is over in Berkeley, California. Police shot and killed a gunman as he walked out of Henry's bar at the Durant Hotel, one block from the University of California campus. The man, identified as Mehrdad Dashti, reportedly was angry over his failure to obtain a government loan to attend the university. He shot eight people during the siege. One, a 22-year-old student, later died of his wounds. Witnesses who fled the bar said he made irrational demands and statements while holding them capitive. They also say he sexually harassed his female hostages.

The man considered the George Washington of modern Algeria is home after 10 years in foreign exile. Ahmed Ben Bella, now 74, was the first president of the North African nation when it gained independence from France in 1962. He was overthrown three years later in a military coup and remained jailed until 1980, going into foreign exile one year later. Now he's back whipping up support for a new political party ahead of elections set for early next year.

Religious leaders in Iran are asking that citizens turn out in large numbers for anti-American rallies planned today to protest the presence of U-S troops in the Persian Gulf area. The call for demonstrations was made over Tehran Radio in a broadcast monitored in Athens, Greece.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 4 to 30 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.65	10.82	10.43	10.52	10.82
Mar	10.49	10.58	10.46	10.54	10.58
May	10.49	10.56	10.47	10.53	10.60
Jly	10.48	10.57	10.48	10.55	10.60
Oct	10.52	10.61	10.52	10.59	10.66

Estimated sales: 31,268 contracts
Open interest: 106.242 up 369
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.72

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday 4 to 10 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev

Nov	23.36	23.42	23.36	23.42	23.35
Jan	23.13	23.17	23.12	23.17	23.13
Mar	23.10	23.15	23.10	23.15	23.05
May	23.18	23.23	23.18	23.24	23.18
Jly	23.21	23.24	23.21	23.24	23.20
Sep	23.18	23.21	23.18	23.22	23.18
Nov	22.90	22.95	22.90	22.95	22.85

Estimated sales: 707 contracts
Open interest: 11,558 up 86

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BANGKOK, Thailand (SEPT. 27) UPI - Eighteen governments are protesting intensified political repression by Burma's military junta, which has detained and interrogated Burmese citizens working at foreign embassies, a senior diplomat said Thursday.

Inside Burma, meanwhile, Buddhist monks upset over the deaths of two monks shot by security police have effectively excommunicated military families in a move that is having a ''major impact,'' the diplomat said.

Earlier, official Rangoon radio announced the arrests of three people for writing and distributing poetry ridiculing the military junta, which has so far refused to turn over power to a legislature elected in May.

''A large number of governments, an increasing number of governments, view with horror what is continuing to happen in Burma,'' said a Rangoon-based diplomat who asked not to be identified.

The diplomat said the 12 European Community nations, joined by the United States, Japan, Sweden, Australia, Canada and New Zealand, recently issued a tough verbal protest against Burmese military repression in Rangoon.

The protest cited the recent arrests of the leaders of the National League for Democracy which swept 80 percent of the seats in the elections, continued repression of free speech, and moves away from a promised return to democracy.

It also protested the detention and interrogation of Burmese staff working for foreign embassies and raids carried out by armed troops on embassy compounds in violation of the Vienna agreements on diplomatic rights.

In the past 10 days, Burmese staff from the U.S., British and Australian embassies have been taken away for as much as four days of interrogation in a prison north of Rangoon, the diplomat said.

The questioning, he said, focused on the activities and opinions of embassy officials and their contacts with civilian political leaders.

The detentions were part of a campaign to intimidate the Burmese people to allow the military to maintain its 30-year domination of Burma despite the opposition party' s overwhelming election victory, he said.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said the four U.S. Embassy employees, all Burmese, were ''detained and interrogated about embassy operations and personnel.''

''We regard such harassment as a serious contravention of accepted international behavior and as totally inconsistent with international law,'' Boucher said.

Rangoon radio, in a broadcast Wednesday night, said Sein Hlaing, 35, Myo Myint Nyein, 38, and Nyan Paw, 36, were arrested earlier this month for commissioning distributing or writing ''poems that criticize, slander, and ridicule the leaders of the Defense Services.''

The diplomat said the arrests were part of the repressive campaign that has included torture, beatings, intimidation and firing into crowds of protesters.

''Their repression of their own people is continuing at exactly the same level if not intensified, as compared to before the election,'' the diplomat said.

The military, however, has been shaken, he said, by the action of the Buddhist leadership to effectively excommunicate all military families by refusing to perform marriages or alms ceremonies for them. The Buddhists are protesting the deaths of at least two monks shot by security police in Mandalay last month.

''This is having a very major impact on the rank and file of the military,'' he said.

Tuesday Maj. Gen. Tin U, a junta member, warned Buddhist monks against becoming involved in politics.

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UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 27) UPI - The Emir of Kuwait appealed to the United Nations Thursday to help liberate his country occupied by Iraq which, he said, has carried out massive destruction and tortured his people.

Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah said he came to the U.N. General Assembly to present the ''horrors and suffering'' of his people.

''Now the fate of a people, of a nation, is in your hands,'' he said.

Al-Sabah, whose family ruled over the small desert kingdom rich in oil for more than 200 years, received standing ovation by the more than 2,000 delegates from 160 countries attending the annual session.

The six-member Iraqi delegation, headed by that country's deputy permanent representative to the United Nations, Sabah Talat Kadrat, walked out of the assembly hall before Al-Sabah began his address.

''Today, I plead before you the cause of a people whose land, until so recently, was a beacon for peaceful co-existence and genuine brotherhood among the family of nations,'' the emir said.

''We are confident that the only measure that will win your endorsement is support for our legitimate right to liberate our land,'' Al-Sabah said.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ordered his troops into Kuwait Aug. 2, less than a day after talks between the two countries to resolve dispute over oil production and their common border collapsed.

Saddam consequently declared Kuwait one of Iraqi provinces. The Security Council reacted by condemning the military occupation and imposed on Aug. 6 a set of stringent sanctions to force Iraq to pull out. It allowed Western navies sent to protect the rest of Persian Gulf countries to use force to impose the sanctions.

On Tuesday, the 15-nation council ordered an air traffic embargo on Iraq to further isolate it.

Al-Sabah said, ''rape, destruction, terror and torture are now the rule of the day in the once peaceful and tranquil land of Kuwait.''

He said ''hundreds of thousands'' of Kuwaiti citizens as well as nationals of various countries have been made homeless and have lost their savings.

''Indeed, at this very moment, an intense campaign of terror, torture and humiliation continues unabated in that dear land,'' the emir said.

Dressed in a long white and gold robe, the emir said the Iraqi occupation has caused repercussions on the world's security as well as economy.

To remedy economic losses suffered by developing countries, Al-Sabah said he has decided to write off interest payments on loans to those countries. Kuwait's contributions to development aid to the Third World had amounted to 8.3 percent of its GNP, the emir said.

Among migrant workers in Kuwait were some 100,000 Bangladeshis before the Aug. 2 invasion. President Hussein Muhammad Ershad Bangladesh, who addressed the General Assembly before Al-Sabah Thursday, said these workers's salaries

represented an important source of foreign currency for his government.

Ershad told reporters Wednesday that he expected a budget deficit of $600 million this year because of the Iraqi invasion and billions of dollars in the long run.

A Bangladeshi diplomat said 50,000 of his countrymen were repatriated and the rest will be returned home by the end of the month.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	405.375 up 1.125
Morning fixing	401.90 off 3.475
Afternoon fixing	403.95 off 1.425
Close	405.25 off 0.125
Paris	403.99 up 0.40
Zurich	404.50 up 2.00
Hong Kong	404.35 up 3.50
New York	
Comex spot close	405.00 off 2.00
Republic cash	405.75 off 1.50
Handy and Harman	403.95 up 1.25

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 405.29 up 0.99 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 425.55 up 1.32 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.771 off 0.027
Republic cash	4.80 off 0.015

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.795 per fine ounce unchanged

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.80 up 0.05 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.136 up 0.05

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 443.50 off 7.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 543.50 off 7.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 99.75 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 114.75 off 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Ernings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Craftmade Intl (Year 6-30)	
$12,499,200	$10,023,192
$468,110 (.20)	$323,407 (.14)
Dynamics Research (3rd Q 9-8)	
$20,569,000	$19,710,000
$679,000 (.14)	$668,000 (13)
Emons Holdings (4th Q 6-30)	
$3,829,601	$2,820,531
$199,303 (.04)	$294,179 (.06)
G-III Apparel (Year 7-31)	
$161,922,000	$98,786,000
$9,582,000 (1.71)	$5,940,000 (1.28)
Image Retail (4th Q 6-30)	
$5,039,501	$4,906,436
d-$58,829	d-$74,542
d-Deficit.	
Mars Graphic (2nd Q 8-31)	
$6,856,760	$6,074,449
$220,113 (.10)	$332,774 (.19)
Shirt Shed (4th Q 7-31)	
$34,566,000	$18,342,000
$1,713,000 (.25)	$633,000 (.09)
Showcase Cosmetics (1st Q 7-31)	
$1,135,118	$1,085,300
d-$30,847	$43,987 (.01)
d-Deficit.	
Team Inc (1st Q 8-31)	
$23,433,000	$19,507,000
$679,000 (.15)	$1,070,000 (.40)

Vivra Inc (3rd Q 8-31)
$29,126,000 $23,530,000
$2,474,000 (.35) $2,607,000 (.37)

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#90270u1294 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 27) UPI - F-D-I-C chief William Seidman says his agency has determined that over the first six months of the year the government's Bank Insurance Fund shrank by 14 percent... from 13-point-two-BILLION dollars to about 11-point-four-BILLION. The F-D-I-C had expected a two-BILLION-dollar loss for all of 1990, but Seidman now says it appears as if it will be three-BILLION by the end of the year... because of more financial institution failures. He won't predict next year's losses but says it appears 1991 will be a better year than 1990.

More bloody protests in India against a federal job quota program. One high school student in New Delhi set himself ablaze today... and police shot and killed one demonstrator. The Press Trust of India says police fired at angry mobs in at least two different sections of the the capital, killing one person and wounding at least six others. In one case, rampaging youths burned vehicles and looted shops.

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#90270u1305 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
WARSAW (SEPT. 27) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis could cost Poland up to $11 billion in direct and indirect losses over the next few years, reignite inflation and jeopardize economic recovery, the government said Thursday.

The report said Poland will feel the fullest impact of higher oil prices next year, when the Soviet Union, from which Poland imports 80 percent of its oil, will require hard-currency settlement of trade balances.

Poland's plight is the same as that of former communist nations throughout Eastern and Central Europe, hit by dramatically higher oil costs just as their traditionally cheap source, the Soviet Union, is drying up.

World Bank officials have warned that East European economies breaking out of the Comecon East Bloc trading system and facing real market prices will shrink dramatically as they are hit with rising oil costs.

In Bulgaria, even more dependent than Poland on once-cheap Soviet oil, gross domestic product could fall by as much as 15 percent.

''Poland has incurred direct losses as a result of the imposition of economic sanctions on Iraq and Kuwait,'' a Central Planning Office report said, pointing to direct losses through 1994 of $2.9 billion, including $541 million

this year.

The estimate came as Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki traveled to Spain and the United States, and with Finance Minister Leszek Balcerowicz in Washington for the International Monetary Fund's annual meeting.

A spokesman for the planning office said Mazowiecki and Balcerowicz took the report with them to bolster their arguments for aid.

By observing U.N. sanctions against Iraq, Poland stands to lose $1.68 billion in now-broken contracts for goods and services, $170 million in pre-paid Iraqi oil and payments on $500 million Iraqi debt to Poland.

It said indirect losses stemming from higher oil and oil product prices would range between $1.7 billion and $2.2 billion a year through 1994. It said the indirect losses would total $432 million for 1990.

The agency added that ''higher costs of production and transport ... may bring up the inflation rate.'' As this could require a tighter monetary policy, this ''creates a danger for the (current) recession to deepen.''

Poland suffered crippling triple-digit inflation in 1989 before Mazowiecki's government launched its ''Big Bang'' program of economic reform.

The plan brought inflation down to a monthly rate in the single digits - but also depressed the economy and living standards. The impact will be felt even more next year when coal and electricity price ceilings are eliminated.

The International Monetary Fund, which provides and coordinates foreign aid to Poland, has warned that further credits of $300 million could be withheld if inflation in the fourth quarter exceeds 14 percent.

Poland's decision this week to send a hospital ship and another medical unit to the Gulf was welcomed by the U.S. administration. Polish involvement in the Gulf is expected to weigh on its side in aid distribution.

But the Polish Parliament's lower house Thursday demanded a full explanation of the government decision. Of particular concern to legislators is the fact that about 1,200 Polish citizens remain in Iraq.

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#90270u1333 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (SEPT. 27) UPI - Polish President Wojciech Jaruzelski said Thursday he would not accept President Bush's invitation to visit the United States because his office term has been shortened by Parliament.

''A new situation has emerged which made me cancel the visit,'' Jaruzelski

said in a letter to Bush.

Jaruzelski was invited to visit Washington in October following Bush's visit to Poland in May.

But last Friday, the Sejm, or lower house of Parliament, approved Jaruzelski's offer to resign this fall despite the fact that his office term expires in 1994.

Pressure was mounting on Jaruzelski, author of martial law imposed in Poland in 1981, to step down as the last remnant of the communist regime. It is believed Solidarity founder Lech Walesa's decision two weeks ago to run for the presidency also pursuaded Jaruzelski to step down.

New elections are expected to take place Nov. 25 and Solidarity Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki may become Walesa's rival during the campaign.

Mazowiecki is currently on a visit to Spain and is scheduled to travel to the United States Saturday to meet Bush.

The text of Jaruzelski's letter was handed to U.S. Ambassador Thomas Simons Thursday and carried by the official news agency PAP.

In another development, the Polish Parliament approved amendments to the constitution Thursday that may allow a presidential election to take place in November.

The lower house, or Sejm, approved the amendments on a 325-4 vote with 10 abstentions. The Senate meets Saturday to consider similar legislation.

The Sejm approved a number of amendments to the current constitution which will allow for early presidential and parlimentary elections.

If the Senate, or the upper house, agrees to the amendments, the presidential elections could take place as early as Nov. 25 and the new president could be sworn in before Christmas.

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#90270u1362 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - Charles Darwin, the famous British naturalist who developed the theory of evolution, may have suffered from the ''yuppie flu,'' a researcher said Thursday.

Darwin, who in 1859 put forward the idea all living things evolved from earlier forms through natural selection, developed a debilitating illness in his 20s that has been the subject of much speculation. Darwin died in 1882 at age 73.

One biographer proposed that Darwin suffered from hyperventilation aggravated by psychological factors. But E.J. Field of the University of Warwick in Coventry, England, has now proposed Darwin was stricken by myalgic encephalomyelitis or ME - the British scientific term for what Americans call the ''yuppie flu'' or ''chronic fatigue syndrome.''

''All in all Darwin's illness seems to have been ME with the usual string of different diagnoses and negative physical findings,'' Field wrote in a letter published in The Lancet, a British medical journal.

Chronic fatigue has been called the yuppie flu because it frequently affects young professionals. Symptoms vary but a hallmark is long-term lethargy that leaves victims unable to function. Although some have speculated the illness may be triggered by viruses, the exact cause is unknown.

''Darwin's catalogue of symptoms included almost every feature of myalgic encephalomyelitis (ME), including its characteristic remissions and (daily) variability,'' Field wrote.

''When ill he became pale, suffered 'panic attacks,' and could do no more than three hours work a day,'' he said.

'''I am very weak and can write little. My nervous system has failed...''' Field quoted Darwin as writing.

In his autobiography, Darwin also said he was ''troubled by palpitations, pain around the heart, and some gastric symptoms'' before he left on the five-year voyage aboard the HMS Beagle in 1831 that spawned Darwin's ideas.

''Even ringing in the ears, and dislike for noises are recorded. Only in his last decade, with the rest that naturally accompanied it, did his condition improve,'' Field said.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 27) UPI - Two former executives of General Development Corp. have agreed to plead guilty to defrauding thousands of home buyers and may be ordered to reimburse those victims as part of their sentence, officials said Thursday.

''We expect restitution to be ordered,'' U.S. Attorney Dexter Lehtinen said.

David F. Brown, the former chairman of General Development, and Robert F. Ehrling, the former president, agreed to plead guilty to fraud and conspiracy to commit fraud under the terms of a plea agreement reached Wednesday.

Each faces a possible prison sentence of five years on the conspiracy charge, but the government has agreed to recommend a sentence of no more than 42 months. The agreement also provides for a consecutive sentence of up to five years probation on the fraud charge.

Lehtinen said the executives will not be fined.

''Any money that exists we want to go to the victims,'' Lehtinen said.

General Development agreed earlier this month to plead guilty to conspiracy and make restitution of up to $160 million.

The company and its two top executives were indicted in March on charges they inflated the value of homes sold in nine Florida communities and prevented buyers, many from northern states, from checking prices on competing homes.

General Development estimates that more than 10,000 home buyers will be eligible to file claims against it as part of any restitution plan.

Lehtinen said the government is not prepared to a make a specific recommendation on the amount of restitution Brown and Erhling should make.

''Restitution will be taken up seriously, but we are not prepared to make a recommendation,'' he said.

In July, U.S. District Judge Lenore Nesbitt tossed out earlier plea agreements with General Development, Brown and Erhling, saying the restitution plan was unacceptable.

The company's earlier plea agreement called for restitution of between $80 million and $100 million.

General Development filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in April.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - The House passed and sent to President Bush Thursday a bill to compensate hundreds of American civilians who became unwitting victims of the nation's nuclear weapons buildup during the Cold War.

The measure authorizes a $100 million trust fund to pay damage claims to cancer victims who trace their disease either to radiocative fallout from atomic weapons tests in Nevada or to their work mining uranium for nuclear bombs.

The fallout victims, also known as the ''downwinders,'' would be eligible for individual payments of up to $50,000, and the miners would receive as much as

$100,000 each. Their families or estates also could qualify for compensation.

By a voice vote, the House accepted changes to its original bill adopted by the Senate, which set eligibility standards to account for a claimant's smoking habits, alcohol consumption and age.

The legislation now goes to President Bush, who is expected to sign the measure into law. However, no claims can actually be paid before Congress passes a companion appropriations bill to establish the trust fund.

The downwinders and uranium miners turned to Congress for compensation after the courts ruled they were unable to recover damages in lawsuits against the federal government.

''It seems so appropriate, as we have watched and wondered over the demise of the Cold War, that we compensate the victims of the Cold War,'' said Rep. Wayne Owens, D-Utah, a chief sponsor of the bill and a lawyer who represented a group of downwinders who filed suit against the government 12 years ago.

''We are saying that as a nation, that in the difficult and dangerous post-war period ... we acted hastily, we acted with insufficient knowledge, and that as a result, many of our fellow citizens fell ill,'' said Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., another sponsor.

Congress previously has enacted measures to compensate victims of fallout from nuclear weapons tests in the Marshall Islands and to veterans exposed to radiation while working at the Nevada Test Site in the 1950s or in Japan at the end of World War II.

This legislation is aimed at 600 to 800 people who developed cancer from exposure to radioactive clouds that drifted over their communities in Nevada, Utah and northwestern Arizona from 223 above-ground nuclear explosions conducted at the Nevada Test Site during the 1950s and early 1960s.

Also covered are an estimated 250 to 450 miners who contracted lung cancer or other respiratory diseases from radiation exposure while working in the uranium mines of Utah, Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming to extract ore for nuclear weapons from 1947 until 1971.

Many of the uranium miners of that era were Navajo Indians, and some of the earliest and dirtiest of the mines were located on Indian reservations.

Some 1,200 downwinders, including children of the fallout victims themselves, filed suit several years ago claiming they were exposed to cancer-causing radiation as a result of negligence on the part of the government.

A U.S. district judge in Utah ruled in favor of the plaintiffs in 10 of the 24 test cases. But a federal appeals court later reversed the decision, holding

the government was negligent but immune to such damage suits and that compensation was a matter for Congress to decide.

The courts reached similar conclusions in other cases brought by uranium miners.

Under the bill, uranium miners who smoked would have to show a higher level of radiation exposure than non-smokers to receive compensation. Those who smoked and developed cancer after age 45 would have to show higher exposure levels still.

Records of miners' radiation exposure were kept by the government.

In the case of the downwinders, the bill establishes different eligibility factors for smoking, alcohol consumption and age for each of 13 different types of cancers covered by the legislation.

In addition, for most of the downwinders' cases, the onset of their disease would have to be within five years of exposure, and they must have lived in the affected area for two years.

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#90270u1407 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - The annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank closed Thursday with praise for the ''shared responsibility'' of member countries determined to work their way through the Persian Gulf crisis.

''I feel encouraged by the sense of shared responsiblity of the membership and a high degree of consensus on the key options at this juncture,'' IMF Managing Director Michel Camdessus said after the meeting.

Much of the three-day meeting focused on formulating an financial response to steer the global economy safely past this period of rising oil prices without altering long-range economic strategies and programs.

Camdessus said he was especially pleased that the gathering of international bankers and finance officials, representing 152 nations, expressed their determination not to repeat the economic mistakes of the 1970s.

In other words, most of the finance officials have indicated it is better to pass along higher oil costs to consumers rather than offsetting the economic pinch with changes in monetary policy.

''Those countries which recovered quickly from the shocks (of the 1970s) were those which implemented policies such as allowing higher prices to flow through to oil users and keeping monetary policy firm,'' said Richard Prebble,

New Zealand's minister for state owned enterprises.

The meetings also agreed that countries most severely affected by increasing oil prices, which have more than doubled since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, need ''swift assistance,'' said Barber Conable, president of the World Bank.

''We are urgently examining the needs of our most affected members countries and are launching programs of assistance,'' Conable said in his concluding remarks at the meeting.

In a briefing for reporters, Conable said he believes the World Bank has adequate resources and programs to handle any short-term economic distruptions caused by rising oil prices. He added that some new programs may be needed if oil prices remain inflated for a prolonged period.

Conable reiterated support for a plan launched by Camdessus calling for countries profiting from higher oil prices to contribute the windfall to a special fund to help less fortunate nations.

''Clearly we'd expect those who have a windfall to reflect that in their relationship with the global community,'' he said.

Shortly before the meeting ended, participants heard from a defensive Abdul Moneim Othman, Iraq's alternative executive director to the IMF, who originally had not planned to address membership.

Othman said he felt compelled to speak after listening to other members present what he termed ''downright distortions'' about Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Since the invasion, and the subsequent U.S.-led military response and U.N. economic sanctions, oil prices have more than doubled and several countries have begun feeling the pinch. The World Bank has projected the global economy will slow this year because of higher oil prices, marking the first slowdown in seven years.

''It should be quite obvious that what is going on in our region goes well beyond being a dispute over ordinary economic and border matters,'' Othman said.

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#90270u1408 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

SANTA ANA, CA (SEPT. 27) UPI - A judge Thursday extended the temporary custody of an 8-day-old baby boy to his genetic parents and reduced the visitation rights of the infant's surrogate mother to reduce the child's ''stress.''

The unprecedented case centers on the rights of surrogate mothers and biological parents. It is the first time in the nation that a judge has been asked to decide whether a surrogate mother has the right to call a child her own even when it has no genetic link to her.

No final decision was made during Thursday's hearing. The judge scheduled an Oct. 9 hearing for further arguments.

The judge did, however, extend temporary custody of the child to his biological parents until the Oct. 9 hearing and reduced the visitation rights of the surrogate mother to twice a week.

Anna J. Johnson, 29, a licensed vocational nurse and a single mother, agreed in January to bear the child for Mark and Cris Calvert, an Orange County couple, for $10,000.

Before the boy was born, Johnson filed a lawsuit claiming the couple breached their contract with her by making late payments, failing to buy life insurance for her and not caring adequately for her and the fetus.

Johnson delivered the 6-pound, 10-ounce boy last week.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.57 3/4-2.65 3/4 up 1.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.11 1/4- 6.19 1/4 up 3 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.15 3/4-2.27 3/4 off 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.28 3/4-2.31 3/4 off 3/4.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner received a briefing from the Joint Chiefs of Staff on the military situation in the Persian Gulf Thursday and discussed alliance support with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney.

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williiams said Woerner was not asked to provide more

NATO support for Operation Desert Shield and that he did not offer to seek additional assistance from the other 15 member nations.

After receiving the Joint Chiefs of Staff briefing on the situation in the gulf, Woerner spent about 90 minutes with Cheney discussing a wide range of issues, including a review of NATO support for Desert Shield.

Most nations in the alliance have offered either to send ships, troops or planes to Saudi Arabia or provide financial or logistical assistance to the United States for the military operation to deter Iraqi aggression.

Williams said Woerner and Cheney also discussed the future political role of NATO, prospects for a conventional forces reduction agreement with the Soviets and other arms control issues, and NATO's continuing strategy review.

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#90270u1433 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 27) UPI - Police in Berkeley, California, shot and killed a gunman who had held as many as 20 people inside a hotel bar for seven hours early today... killing one of them and wounding seven others. The gunman was identified as Mehrdad Dashti. Police say Dashti was angry over his failure to get a government loan to attend the University of California. The hotel bar was one block from the U-C campus. .

Phil Kim, an architecture student who escaped early in the siege, said Dashti forced female hostages to ''drop their pants''... then forced the male hostages to sexually molest them with carrots that Dashti had brought with him. Another hostage confirmed that story, saying Dashti picked on blondes for the sexual perversion.

The full Senate may vote by next week on the nomination of New Hampshire jurist David Souter as the 105th member of the U-S Supreme Court. The Judiciary Committee voted 13 the nomination to the Senate floor. Massachusetts Democratic Senator Edward Kennedy cast the lone negative vote. Groups on both sides of the abortion issue had gone after the Souter nomination because of his refusal to say how he stands on the question.

The first of an estimated four-thousand troops from France have begun taking up positions alongside other allied nations in Saudi Arabia. The troops were sent to the region after Iraqi forces invaded the residence of the French ambassador in Kuwait and took three French citizens away. .

At the same time, 10 French diplomats expelled from Iraq have arrived safely in Paris. They were thrown out of the country in retaliation for the expulsion of Iraqi diplomats from France.

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KARACHI, PAKISTAN (SEPT. 27) UPI - A special court Thursday ordered former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto to appear before it to reply to the charges of official misconduct.

The special court in the Sindh capital city of Karachi issued two notices to the deposed prime minister to appear on Sept. 30 to answer charges of alleged official misconduct in the hiring of a consultant to administer a government bank loan and awarding of a contract for cotton export.

A similar type of notices were issued against Bhutto on Sunday by another special court in the Punjab state capital of Lahore, ordering her to appear before it on Oct. 2 and 9 in two different cases of alleged misuse of power.

Bhutto was dismissed on Aug. 6 by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, who charged her administration was tainted by corruption and nepotism.

He also dismissed the national assembly and allowed the regional governors to dissolve the provincial assemblies.

In addition, he set up the special courts to investigate charges of corruption against Bhutto and members of her administration.

Experts say the special courts were set up in an attempt to bar Bhutto from participating in the Oct. 24 elections to the National Assembly. If found guilty by the special court she could be disqualified from running for elected jobs for up to seven years.

Government officials have also implicated Hakim Ali Zardari, Bhutto's father-in-law of ''financial irregularities.'' Zardari was the former chairman of the National Assembly's Public Accounts Committee.

Her husband, Asif Ali Zardari is facing criminal charges in a bank fraud case and is out on bail.

The Western-educated leader has repeatedly denied any wrongdoing and has charged that the president's decision to dismiss her government was illegal.

Sources close to her say that she would challenge the constitutionality and legality of the special courts, which she described as ''kangaroo courts'', but would not refuse to appear before them.

Bhutto, 37, became the first female prime minister of a Moslem country when her Pakistan People's Party came to power following the November 1988 elections - the first democratic ballot in 11 years.

Before she was dismissed, Bhutto had been criticized for failing to control

the growing ethnic violence in southern Sind Province, sparking tensions between her government and the army. She also had been criticized for corruption by her administration and family.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	59 1-2	off 1-4
AT&T Company	x-31 1-8	unch
BCE Inc	30 3-4	up 1-8
Bell Atlantic	46 1-2	up 1-2
BellSouth Corp	51 1-8	off 1-2
Exxon Corp	49 3-4	off 1-8
Ford Motor Co	31 3-4	off 5-8
Genl Electric	51 1-2	off 3 1-2
General Motors	36 1-4	off 1-4
GTE Corp	25 7-8	off 1-4
IBM Corp	104 1-4	off 1 1-8
Mobil Oil Corp	63 3-8	off 1 3-4
Nynex Corp	69 3-8	off 1-8
Pac Gas & Elec	20 7-8	off 1-8
Pacific Telesis	43 1-4	unch
Phila Electric	15	unch
Sears Roebuck	24 3-4	off 3-4
Southern Co	23 1-2	unch
Sthwestern Bell	50 3-4	up 1-8
US West Inc	33 3-4	unch

x-ex-dividend.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 27) UPI - Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan Thursday defended spending billions on AIDS research and education even though the disease kills far fewer people each year than heart disease or cancer.

Sullivan cited the epidemic potential of the disease and the possibility that AIDS research will lead to cures for other diseases as reasons for big-budget research. He also noted the devastating effects of the deadly disease on the nation's youth.

''We are losing the next generation of leaders - losing them, by and large, to high-risk sexual behavior and intravenous drug abuse,'' Sullivan said.

AIDS has killed fewer than 90,000 in more than nine years in the United States

while heart disease kills 1 million people a year and cancer kills another half million, Sullivan said.

''There is little wonder that the Office of Technology Assessment, an agency of the Congress, has reported that half the scientists responding to a poll complained that we are spending too large a proportion of our research and education dollars on this one disease,'' Sullivan said.

However, the secretary, speaking to an international gathering of doctors concerned with AIDS and its effect on minorities, warned the disease could spread quickly because it is so highly communicable.

He pointed out statistics showing that worldwide, Africa has the highest rate of HIV infection, referring to the virus that triggers acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

A study by the Agency for International Development in Kampala, Uganda, showed that a quarter of the women there were HIV positive, Sullivan said.

''What is happening in Africa could be the precursor to what might happen elsewhere,'' the health secretary said.

Sullivan also addressed the issue of AIDS and minorities, saying a disproportionate number of blacks and Hispanics contract the disease. The situation is only worsening for minorities, as three-quarters of the pediatric AIDS cases are minority children.

''They are our children, our brothers and our sisters. They might have been our heroes,'' said Sullivan, the nation's first black Health and Human Services secretary.

The terrible effect on minorities is enough to justify the $3.5 billion requested for AIDS programs by President Bush for the 1991 budget, the secretary said.

''We must never allow funding for research, prevention and treatment of this disease to become the hostage of old prejudices that we have wrestled with in our nation for so many decades,'' he said.

Sullivan also promised that AIDS research will lead to cures for other diseases, and a basic understanding of viruses in general.

''This is not a special interest disease,'' Sullivan said. ''Research on HIV and AIDS will not benefit just the hundreds of thousands, but millions whose lives will be improved by what science discovers.''

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#90270u1442 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
BOSTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - The Bank of Boston Corp. Thursday predicted it will lose up to $250 million in the current quarter, slashed its dividend by more than two-thirds and said it will cut its work force by at least 1, 500 employees, or 8 percent, on a worldwide basis.

Citing ''the deepening uncertainty of today's economic environment,'' Ira Stepanian, chairman and chief executive officer, said the bank would immediately begin a ''voluntary separation program.'' The program, he said, is a start on the banking company's ''commitment to reduce staff by a minimum of 1,500 positions ... by early 1991.''

The statement did not rule out the possibility of later layoffs.

Bank of Boston, the region's biggest banking company, has been hard hit by the collapse in New England real estate but had returned to profitability after a big loss in the third quarter last year.

The dividend cut will save about $43 million a year, the bank said.

Stepanian said the decision and other actions will allow the company to ''conserve our strong capital base.''

The company, with subsidiary banks in five of the six New England states, had $37 billion in assets at the end of the last quarter.

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#90270u1446 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
ATLANTA (SEPT. 27) UPI - A Greek organization founded by the late Aristotle Onassis honored former President Jimmy Carter Thursday for his practical approach to international peacekeeping.

The Alexander Onassis Public Benefit Foundation, named for the Greek shipping tycoon's 23-year-old son who died in a plane crash, awarded Carter the Onassis Prize for Man and Society, Aristotelis 1991.

''I will be proud to accept this award on behalf of The Carter Center in hopes that suffering people will continue to benefit from our programs,'' Carter said. ''When the Carter Center was founded in 1982, we envisioned an organization that would reach out to people in need and address unresolved problems that afflict our modern society. Today, the realilty has exceeded our dreams.''

The foundation, making the announcement in Athens, Greece, praised Carter for his ''personal involvement and valuable contribution in bringing international disputes into the realm of international peacekeeping efforts.''

Carter's legacy of peacekeeping efforts include bringing warring Eritrean rebels and the Ethiopian government to the negotiating table last fall and monitoring elections in civil war-torn countries such as Nicaragua.

He traveled to Haiti last week to oversee preparation for December elections in the Caribbean country.

Other Onassis Prizes went to West German Foreign Affairs Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, Cypriot archaeologist Vassos Karageorghis and the organization, Greenpeace International.

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#90270u1456 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - An experimental drug may prevent the distressing hair loss that strikes many cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy, an animal study showed Thursday.

A team from the University of Miami School of Medicine in Florida and Cell Technology Inc., of Boulder, Colo. found an experimental cancer drug called ImuVert protected young rats against hair loss caused by two standard cancer chemotherapies.

It is not known if the drug will work the same way in humans. But the results hold promise for solving the long-standing problem of hair loss, which demoralizes many cancer patients and even prompts some to refuse potentially life-saving chemotherapy.

"Although this complication has been known for many decades, little progress has been made in its prevention and treatment," the researchers wrote in a study published in the journal Science. In contrast, medications have been developed in recent years to reduce the other major side effects of chemotherapy - nausea and pain.

Joann Schellenbach, a spokeswoman for the American Cancer Society in New York, said cancer patients often cite the first glimpse of their bald heads as one of the most horrifying experiences of their illness.

"Hair loss is a constant, physical reminder that your life is currently on the line. It's more than just vanity. It's such a symbol," Schellenbach said. "If this new approach works, it would be of tremendous value to the cancer patient."

It is not known excactly how many of the one million Americans diagnosed with cancer each year undergo chemotherapy. But chemotherapy is frequently used in people with leukemia and those whose cancers have spread beyond the original tumor site.

Exactly how ImuVert acts to ward off hair loss is not known. But Dr. Adel Yunis of the University of Miami speculated the drug, an immune booster derived from a bacteria, may increase immune cells' output of chemicals that protect the hair follicles.

One stumbling block in preventing hair loss has been the lack of animals that shed their hair when given chemotherapeutic agents. In the latest work, researchers found 8-day-old rats with a type of leukemia resembling a form of the disease found in humans suffered hair loss when they were given cytosine arabinoside, a standard anti-leukemia drug.

However, when ImuVert was added to the chemotherapy regimen, the young rats were completely protected from hair loss. The addition of ImuVert also improved survival among the rats, with two of 20 animals that received the combination treatment dying from leukemia compared with 21 of 23 in the group that only received cytosine arabinoside.

ImuVert also guarded against hair loss in rats given doxorubicin, a chemotherapy drug widely used against leukemia and breast cancer. However, the experimental drug did not prevent hair loss in rats when given with a different type of chemotherapeutic agent, call cyclophosphamide.

If all goes well, tests of ImuVert to prevent chemotherapy-induced hair loss in humans should begin within two years, Yunis said. The drug, made by Cell Technology Inc., is already being tested alone in brain cancer patients. Known side effects include fever, chills, and nausea.

Many chemotherapy drugs cause temporary hair loss ranging from slight thinning to total baldness. Hair generally grows back in several months after the end of treatment.

In the past, some doctors have tried to prevent hair loss by using tourniquets or ice-filled caps to block chemotherapy drugs from reaching the scalp. However, results have been mixed and the practice has not become widespread.

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#90270u1459 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 27) UPI - The nation's film-making industry has come up with a new rating system that separates hard-core movies from those with a very adult theme that also were classified as X-rated. The new addition is N-C-17, short for NO children under 17. It should help producers of serious adult-theme movies who had to battle the harsher X-rating that often kept their films from being shown.

Classes at all three campuses of the University of the District of Columbia have been canceled for a second day as more than 100 students occupy two buildings. They are protesting the way the school is run and demand the firing

of 11 board members. The students also want longer library hours and revitalization of the athletic program.

Polish President Jaruzelski has turned down an invitation to visit the United States next month. The move comes as pressure builds to get him to step down. Jaruzelski's term officially runs to 1994 but the lower house of Poland's Parliament last week approved his offer to resign this fall. Solidarity leader Lech Walesa already has said he plans to run for the presidency if elections are held.

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#90270u1476 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 27) UPI - A federal appeals court Thursday declared unconstitutional Nevada's auto insurance rate rollback law passed in 1989 to mirror California's sweeping rate reform measure, Proposition 103.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals tossed out the Nevada rollback law, stating it denied insurers the constitutionally required ''fair and reasonable return'' on their money.

Unlike the landmark California insurance rate reform measure, which was upheld by the California Supreme Court in 1989, the Nevada insurance measure could not be salvaged.

The law, passed by the Nevada Legislature in 1989, mandated a rollback of motor vehicle liability insurance to 1988 levels, imposed a minimum rate reduction of 15 percent below the 1988 levels and froze rates for one year.

The new restrictions were never put in place, however, because of court-ordered stays imposed while the legal challenges pending against the law.

Scott Doyle, Nevada's chief deputy attorney general, said, ''Any time you have a significant argument before the court, it is always a disappointment to get an adverse ruling from the court.

''Obviously we have not received a copy of the decision. We will take the opportunity to study it and decide what, if anything, should be done next,'' Doyle said.

Seven insurance companies filed suit challenging the law, which was to take effect Oct. 1, 1989.

Insurers maintained the law violated their due process rights because it prohibited increasing rates if firms faced losses.

The insurers said the law would deprive them of property in the form of profits.

Language in the Nevada law was identical to California's when it provided that ''rates must not be excessive, inadequate or unfairly discriminatory ...''

But California state law did not define the meaning of the term ''inadequate. That was a critical divergence from Nevada insurance law, which states: ''Rates are inadequate if they are clearly insufficient, together with the income from investments attributable to them, to sustain projected losses and expenses in the class of business to which ''he class of

Judge Edward Leavy wrote that the Nevada definition left insurers in the position of declaring rates ''adequate'' if losses and expenses were identical.

''Thus the law guarantees only that an insurer will break even; it does not guarantee the constitutionally required 'fair and reasonable return,''' Leavy wrote.

A fair rate involves balancing the interests of investors and consumers, according to the court.

The appeal court also rejected the notion that the Nevada law was a temporary emergency measure intended to correct a short term rate problem.

Leavy was joined in the decision by Judges J. Clifford Wallace and Arthur Alarcon.

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#90270u1481 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

WEST ALLIS, WI. (SEPT. 27) UPI - The Excalibur Automobile Corp., which produces expensive neo-classic cars, has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy in federal bankruptcy court in Milwaukee.

Excalibur President Scott Dennison said Thursday the company filed for Chapter 11 status Wednesday to protect the firm and its investors from creditors while talks on selling Excalibur continue.

''Negotiations are still thrashing away. But as of (Wednesday), we put this thing into Chapter 11,'' he said.

The firm laid off the last of its workers in June, when it closed down.

The bankruptcy statement said the firm, as of Aug. 14, had assets of about $4.7 million and substantially more than $3.9 million in debts, including about $2.4 million in debts secured by mortgages.

The firm's largest creditor is First Wisconsin National Bank of Sheboygan, Wis., which has more than $2.1 million in loans outstanding, and the second

largest is the city of West Allis, near Milwaukee, which is owed more than $200,000 in economic development loans and back taxes.

John Stibal, director of economic development for West Allis, said the filing may turn out to be good news for Excalibur and the city.

''I believe this is what it is going to take to get Excalibur's current situation to a resolution and refinanced. We view this as a step in the right direction,'' he said.

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#90270u1489 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 27) UPI - Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro, in a speech that briefly distracted the U.N. General Assembly's attention from the Persian Gulf crisis, Thursday praised her country's return to democracy and peace after a decade of civil war.

She also called for a unified Central America and asked for a greater effort to ease the debt burdens of less developed nations.

Chamorro thanked the United Nations for overseeing last February's election, which elected her. She said it was the first free election in her country's 169-year existence.

She told the General Assembly that since she took office April 25, 21,000 Contra rebels had been successfully demobilized, and that the Nicaraguan armed forces had been reduced from 90,000 members to 33,000.

At a later press conference she said her goal was to approach the level of Costa Rica, one of the few countries in the world to have abolished its army.

When asked if Nicaragua planned to send troops to join the U.S.-led multinational force in the gulf, she laughed and explained that she was reducing the size of her army and couldn't spare any soldiers.

As a symbol of Nicaragua's disarmament, Chamorro presented the president of the General Assembly with two destroyed rifles, one Soviet and one U.S.

Chamorro's husband, a newspaper publisher, was murdered in 1978 for his opposition to dictator General Anastasio Somoza who was overthrown the following year by Sandinista guerillas. Chamorro was a member of the first Sandinista junta, but she resigned after accusing the movement of being anti-democratic.

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#90270u1492 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

(correcting Fed Fund low) MONEY RATE

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.15

60 to 89 days 8.16

90 to 119 days 8.07

120 to 149 days 8.06

150 to 179 days 7.99

180 to 270 days 7.92

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.25 - 8.00

Issuers 30 days 8.09

Issuers 90 days 7.62

Issuers 270 days 7.32

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.40

60 to 89 days 8.36

90 to 119 days 8.45

120 to 149 days 8.40

150 to 179 days 8.37

180 days 8.37

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.00 6 - 8.125

1 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

3 month 8.25 - 8.375

6 month 8.25 - 8.375

Year 8.375 - 8.50

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.23 - 7.21

6 months 7.23 - 7.21

Year 7.21 - 7.19

Federal Funds: High 8 3-16, Low 8 1-16, Close 8 1/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7.956 off 0.049.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90270u1497 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, AK (SEPT. 27) UPI - A judge has ruled that the Exxon Corp. and its shipping subsidiary are liable for all actual damages caused by the wreck of the Exxon Valdez, which created America's worst spill in Alaska last year.

''Exxon Shipping Corp. and Exxon Corp. are strictly liable without regard to fault for all damages which are compensable under (the law), ruled state Superior Court Judge Brian Shortell in an order signed Wednesday.

Compensable damages include property damage, loss of income and other economic harm. The ruling represented a victory for the state of Alaska, fishermen, native villagers, seafood processors, environmentalists and others suing Exxon in state court.

The ruling did not address the amount of damages or the issue of punitive damages, but only whether Exxon could be held liable for actual damages caused by the spill.

Nor did the court address the issue of blame, saying it doesn't matter under Alaska's strict liability law.

''Causation is a factual issue which has not yet been established by any of these plaintiffs,'' the ruling said. ''However, Exxon Shipping Corp. and Exxon Corp. will be strictly liable for all damages allowed (by statute) proved to have been proximately caused by the spill.''

Proximate cause means an event closely linked to an effect, and the ruling is certain to provoke new court arguments over whether the spill was the direct cause of the damages claimed by the various plaintiffs.

Shortell based his order on a state law that ''persons owning or having control over hazardous substances which are spilled into Alaskan waters or on Alaskan lands are strictly liable for damages caused by those spills. Corporations are persons who may be liable under the statute.''

Shortell ruled that evidence in the case establishes beyond dispute that Exxon had control of the crude oil spilled from its tanker last year and that oil is a hazardous substance.

Actual damages caused by the spill must be proved at trial, Shortell said. But the ruling means Exxon cannot avoid legal responsibility for the damages.

Shortell also denied a motion from the Alyeska Pipeline Service Co. to dismiss complaints against it from plaintiffs who are suing for ''purely economic damages where there has been no physical injury to a plaintiff's person or property.''

The judge said there was no basis for limiting plaintiffs' damages.

On March 24, 1989, the Exxon Valdez crashed into a well-known reef in Prince William Sound, breaking open and spilling nearly 11 million gallons of crude into pristine fishing and wildlife waters.

In the months that followed, hundreds of suits were filed in state and federal court against Exxon and Alyeska. Earlier this year the Justice Department charged Exxon with five crimes stemming from the spill. The various cases are said amount to billions of dollars in claims.

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#90270u1498 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1087.6
Wednesday	1090.7
Week ago	1088.5
Month ago	1116.6
Year ago	1106.6
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90270u1500 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 27) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said Thursday they had made progress toward an arms control agreement and adjourned their talks to consult their allies.

Baker and his Soviet counterpart met for two hours during which they discussed reducing conventional forces in Europe.

The secretary of state said the two sides had made ''good progress'' and will consult their allies in NATO and the Warsaw Pact.

Baker said progress had been made on limiting aircraft in the conventional forces agreement but ''we need to discuss it with them (the allies) before we discuss it with you (the press).''

The two also met nearly four hours Wednesday and discussed issues ranging from strategic arms reduction to Afghanistan.

The series of Baker-Shevardnadze meeting this week is their 20th, an average of one per month during the Bush administration.

The show of solidarity is not accidental, according to U.S. officials, with both Baker and Shevardnadze determined to send a signal to Baghdad that Iraqi strongman Saddam Hussein's ambitions will not be allowed to destroy superpower cooperation.

In their talks Wednesday, a senior U.S. official said Baker and Shevardnadze moved forward on both conventional forces reduction in Europe and strategic arms cuts.

The official said the negotiations are now down to refining extremely technical issues - important but requiring a lot of homework and expert advice from specialists.

Included in those are such questions as:

-What is a combat aircraft? Does it include two-seater trainers that can be turned into a warplane by adding some electronics and some wing- pylons which could carry missiles? And if so, how many of those planes would equal one plane specifically designed to kill enemy aircraft or tanks?

-In strategic arms, how could you determine how many warheads there are on a big missile transported around aboard a train? How can the two sides exclude naval forces, as the United States wants, if those ships can carry weapons that can never be inspected and yet have the ability to incur enormous damage on an enemy nation?

Those questions, according to U.S. officials, are being negotiated in a spirit of cooperation.

In another example of the post Cold-War period, Baker and Vietnam's deputy prime minister, Nguyen Co Thach, have scheduled a 30-minute meeting Saturday morning in New York, the highest such meeting since the end of the Vietnam War.

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#90270u1503 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, AK (SEPT. 27) UPI - The Alaska tourist industry launched Thursday its biggest nationwide television advertising campaign ever in a joint effort with Exxon to convince would-be visitors to come to Alaska.

Exxon paid $7 million for the project aimed at wooing tourists still scared away by the March 1989 oil spill, the nation's worst, which coated more than 1,000 miles of pristine Alaska coastline with crude oil spilled from the grounded Exxon Valdez.

The Alaska Visitor Association ads - which Exxon had a hand in writing and producing - say Prince William Sound, where the Exxon Valdez tanker spilled 11 million gallons of oil, was ''mostly recovered'' and ''nearly restored.''

Three 30-second commercials will air 60 times each week in 35 major markets around the country, reaching half the television viewers in America, according to the visitors association. The ad blitz will last four weeks.

''Our goal is to encourage visitation to the state,'' said AVA director Karen Cowart.

She said the tourist industry was still feeling the effects of the spill and research showed that potential tourists still avoided Alaska because of it.

In 1989, the state lost at least 10,145 tourists and about $15 million in tourism revenue, according to ''very conservative'' estimates based on no

growth in tourism from the previous year, according to AVA research.

Exxon paid for a $4 million tourism ad campaign last year, but Cowart said the tourism trade group went back to Exxon for more money for an even bigger project this year because ''we still had problems and we took the research to Exxon.''

Showing scenes of Prince William Sound, one ad says, ''1991 is the time to come. See its pristine shoreline, nearly recovered now after last year's spill.''

Another ad says, ''Alaska - where winter storms and cleanup efforts have nearly restored the part of Prince William Sound hit by the 1989 spill.''

All three ads mention the spill because they are attacking a perception problem that the Alaska shores are in worse shape than they really are, Cowart said. Prince William Sound scenes and wildlife were shot recently, she said.

The ads also show scenes unconnected to the spill that are major attractions, such as Mount McKinley, glaciers, totem poles and other wildlife.

Exxon had a say in writing and producing the spots, Cowart said, but she said there were no strings attached to the $7 million Exxon payment. ''It was an outright grant.''

She said the mutual goal of the project was to bridge ''the gap between the actual reality and the perception'' of the condition of shores hit by oil and to tell people that ''the state of Alaska is a great destination.''

Exxon has spent more than $2 billion and two summers trying to clean the shores of oil. The state of Alaska wants Exxon to return next summer to clean up the remaining oil.

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#90270u1506 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday 7 points higher to 23 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	73.50	73.70	73.11	73.47	73.70
Dec	72.30	72.49	71.95	72.34	72.28
Mar	73.50	73.60	73.10	73.47	73.40
May	73.85	74.05	73.65	74.00	73.90
Jly	74.20	74.20	73.90	74.05	74.07
Oct	69.50	69.50	69.50	69.40	69.60
Dec	67.85	67.85	67.60	67.72	67.85

Estimated sales: 4,000 contracts
Open interest: 35,433 off 658
The World spot average: 69.99

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#90270u1515 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
(repeating, correcting year highs and lows)

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

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Thursday	2427.48	off	32.17	828.03	off	18.49	198.69	off	1.13
Wednesday	2459.65	off	25.99	846.52	up	1.85	199.82	off	0.82
Week ago	2518.32	off	39.11	879.99	off	8.32	200.33	off	1.19
Month ago	2593.32	off	39.11	901.26	off	9.87	193.72	off	1.89
Year ago	2694.91	up	21.85	1438.12	up	10.49	216.55	up	1.38
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2427.48			828.03			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90270u1538 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 27) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 165.36 off 2.16
ASE Market Value Index 305.43 off 4.63
Dow-Jones Industrial 2427.48 off 32.17

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#90270u1542 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 16,780,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,600,629,575
Bonds - $3,530,000
1990 to date - $534,618,000

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#90270u1545 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Thursday - $35,910,000
1990 to date - $8,275,288,000

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#90270u1548 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (SEPT. 27) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Thursday - 10,115,000
1990 to date - 1,875,531,000

The market closed sharply lower.

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#90270u1552 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Assets of the nation's 524 money-market mutual funds rose by $361.6 million to $409.12 billion in the week ended Wednesday, the Investment Company Institute reported Thursday.

In the latest week, the Washington-based institute said, broker- dealer fund assets decreased $505.5 million to $165.1 billion, but assets of general-purpose funds increased $681.3 million to $145.53 billion and institutional fund assets rose $185.8 million to $98.48 billion.

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said that average seven-day simple yields were 7.47 percent, up from 7.46 the previous week, and that 30-day simple yields were unchanged at 7.47 percent.

The average maturity of fund portfolios was 46 days, the same as the previous week.

The Bank Rate Monitor, North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.88 percent, down from 5.89; Super-Now accounts, 4.97 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.49 percent, unchanged; 1-year CDs, 7.59 percent, up from 7.58; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.69 percent, up from 7.67; and five-year CDs, 7.80 percent, unchanged.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was unchanged at 8.25 percent.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage rose in the latest week to 9.76 percent from 9.70, while the average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage reached 10.06 percent from 10.01.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was 12.23 percent, up from 12.22.

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#90270u1555 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 28) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

BASKETBALL

Willie Burton, a swingman from Minnesota and Miami's first-round draft choice, signed a 5-year contract with the Heat.

FOOTBALL

The woman sports writer who was sexually harassed by the New England Patriots says receiver Zeke Mowatt suggested she perform oral sex on him in the locker room. The controversy, inflamed by club owner Victor Kiam's comments about a woman reporter being an ''intruder'' in the locker room, comes less than two years after Kiam's daughter entered the Patriots' locker room after a game. The Herald called for fans to boycott the Patriots' home game Sunday against the Jets. Mowatt is to meet with NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue in New York Friday. ... The NFL began a 13-city exhibit in New York to commemorate this season's 25th Super Bowl anniversary. The display features Joe Namath's 1969 helmet, Lawrence Taylor's 1987 jersey, coins from opening tosses and championship rings. Hall of Fame quarterback Terry Bradshaw of the four- time champion Steelers lent his No. 12 jersey. The tour ends in Tampa, Fla., site of this season's Super Bowl. ... Delta Air Lines became the first charter corporate sponsor of the World League of American Football. The league, with 12 franchises in seven countries, begins play in March.

GAMES

North Korean boxing coaches attacked referees and judges at the Asian Games in Beijing after their super-heavyweight hope lost a decision to an Iranian. Chinese security personnel had to intervene before order was restored. ... Bangkok was named host of the 1998 Asian Games.

GOLF

Britons Colin Montgomerie and Ian Woosnam shot 6-under-par 65 to hold a one-stroke lead after the first round of the $745,000 Epson Grand Prix Wales in St. Pierre, Wales.

LAW

An Iowa judge put a headlock on Andre the Giant. The 7-foot-4, 540- pound pro wrestler was convicted of criminal mischief. Andre, whose real name is Andre Roussimoff, was arrested last year after scuffling with a Cedar Rapids television cameraman.

MEDIA

The Louisville (Ky.) Courier-Journal next month will send free abbreviated sports sections each week to military personnel from Kentucky and southern Indiana stationed in the Mideast.

TENNIS

Monica Seles and Jennifer Capriati lost quarterfinal matches in the $350,000 Nichirei International Ladies Championships in Tokyo. Stephanie Frazier scored a 7-5, 6-2 victory over Seles, who sprained her ankle in the second set. Katerina Maleeva dropped Capriati 7-6 (7-4), 3-6, 7-6 (7-3). ... Sweden's Niclas Kroon, wearing a mismatched pair of contact lenses, defeated Brian Garrow 7-6 (7-4), 7-5 to advance to the quarterfinals of the $280,000 Queensland Open in Brisbane, Australia. ... Andrei Cherkasov beat defending champion Jim Courier 3-6, 6-2, 6-3 in the second round of the $500,000 Swiss Indoors at Basel. Courier, the defending champ, fought off five match points before succumbing on the sixth. ... Steffi Graf reached the semifinals of the $225,000 Volkswagen Open in Leipzig, East Germany, with a 6-1, 6-2 victory over Holland's Manon Bollegraf. ... Houston's Zina Garrison, ranked fifth in the world, will be the No. 1 seed in next month's Puerto Rican Women's Open.

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#90270u1557 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

JACKSONVILLE, FL (SEPT. 27) UPI - A Navy wife arrested on charges of buying a newborn baby for $3,000 may have bought and sold as many as 10 children from her home, investigators said Thursday.

Nellie Cutright, 45, of Mayport was arrested Wednesday and held in the Duval County Jail on $50,000 bond on charges of child buying, which carries a maximum penalty of five years in prison and $5,000 fine, and insurance fraud.

Investigators claim Cutright used her military insurance to cover the mother's hospital delivery costs.

''There could have been as many as 10 (babies) that went through that house,'' said Duval County Assistant State Attorney McRae Mathis. ''We don't know where they came from or where they've gone.''

Investigators, however, said Cutright is suspected of finding couples in at least four states - Florida, Missouri, Virginia and Texas. Some may have paid as much as $25,000 for a child.

Authorities said evidence taken from Cutright's home and witnesses' statements that infants were seen being carried in and out of the home, suggest Cutright may have been involved in selling children during the last nine years.

''About every other year, we come across a child-selling case,'' said Chief Assistant State Attorney John Delaney. ''This is the first time that we felt it wasn't an isolated incident or isolated circumstance.''

Charged with child selling was Virginia Underwood, the baby's 25- year-old mother. However, Underwood, who also faces a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a $5,000 fine, has been cooperating with authorities and was released from jail on her own recognizance, investigators said.

The month-old girl was found at Cutright's home and turned over to state social workers.

Cutright's husband's name was withheld until he could be formally contacted by the Navy. Investigators would not say whether he was involved, but they did say that the alleged ring did not appear to relate directly to the Navy.

The investigation began two weeks ago, when Underwood, who moved to Pensacola since the alleged baby sale, contacted state officials because she was worried about her child, Mathis said.

Investigators searching the Cutright home found photographs, blank and altered birth certificates, altered military identification cards for children and infant hospital armbands. Florida law says adoptions must be handled through the state Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services, a licensed adoption agency or a qualified intermediary such as a doctor or lawyer.

No money is permitted to change hands, except to cover medical bills and prenatal care.

According to investigators, Underwood checked into Memorial Medical Center in Jacksonville about one month ago, posing as Nellie Cutright. Cutright posed as ''Billie Jo,'' the mother's sister.

The women left after the baby, Kayla Cutright, was born Aug. 26. Cutright then allegedly paid Underwood $3,000 and took the child home, billing her military insurance for the delivery. It is believed she intended to keep the child herself.

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#90270u1560 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 310.49, low 304.88, close 305.43, off 4.63.

There was a loss of 15 cents in the average share price.

Volume 16,780,000 shares, compared with 14, 080,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	11
New Lows	125
Advances	140
Declines	439
Unchanged	229
Total Issues	080

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#90270u1568 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	305.43	off	4.63
High Technology	285.29	off	7.11
Capital Goods	325.80	off	2.95
Consumer Goods	357.01	off	4.98
Service	643.87	off	11.93
Retail	873.80	off	29.53
Natural Resourc	249.04	off	2.76
Housing-Const-L	301.50	off	6.74

There was a loss of 15 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	384.23	off	2.72
Mid Atlantic	383.39	off	5.87
No Central	392.87	off	7.86
So Atlantic	834.70	off	20.06
So Central	302.36	off	2.11
Mountain	108.76	up	1.43
Pacific	334.59	off	9.81
Foreign	243.84	off	2.97

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#90270u1576 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Thursday	355.10	213.23	131.37	19.88	300.97
Wednesday	359.99	217.74	131.31	20.63	305.06
Week ago	367.62	223.21	130.74	22.01	311.48
Month ago	377.69	230.23	126.41	23.68	318.71
Year ago	397.81	310.51	142.10	33.85	348.60
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	355.10	213.23	124.60	19.88	300.97

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#90270u1580 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
WARSAW, POLAND (SEPT. 27) UPI - Some Polish municipal authorities, trying to do away with a symbol of the Communist past, want to move the graves of Soviet soldiers killed in Poland while fighting Nazi Germany.

The idea, however, is being opposed by none other than one of Poland's most anti-communist politicians, Solidarity founder Lech Walesa, a presidential candidate.

At a news conference held in Gdynia, Walesa's spokesman Andrzej Drzycimski read out a stement that said the fallen Soviet soldiers should be left ''where death caught them by surprise.''

Municipal authorities in a number of towns, including Krakow in southern Poland, want to move the graves from prominent locations to less conspicuous spots.

Walesa said Polish national tradition and Christian values call for respect for the dead soldiers, regardless of their uniform.

''Remebering the past, we should shape a new future, including the one in the East,'' Walesa said.

A Solidarity group of scientists in Krakow, citing similar reasons, issued an appeal to the municipal authorities, demanding the Soviet graves remain where they are.

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#90270u1591 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941- 43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	362.77	353.13	x-355.10	off 4.89
20 Trans	220.39	212.67	x-213.23	off 4.51
40 Utils	132.38	130.32	131.37	up 0.06
40 Fncl	20.78	19.57	x-19.88	off 0.75
500 Stocks	307.47	299.10	x-300.97	off 4.09

x-New 1990 low.

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#90270u1594 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday:

Stock		$Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	136,382,464	32	off 3/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	54,138,480	60 3/4	off 3 3/4
Microsoft	(MSFT)	50,053,256	59 1/4	off 1
Reuter H	(RTRS)	46,378,292	41 1/2	up 5/8
Conner P	(CNNR)	40,391,544	16 1/8	off 1 3/8
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	39,303,056	31 3/8	off 5/8
Sun Micro	(SUNW)	37,591,244	25 3/4	off 2
Amgen	(AMGN)	35,005,012	46 1/4	off 2 3/8
Apple Comp	(AAPL)	34,025,376	28 1/4	off 1 1/2
Oracle Sys	(ORCL)	26,037,386	5 5/8	off 5/8

Composite Index 149.18 off 3.96

NMS volume 127,653,704 shares.

Advances	447
Declines	1,176
Unchanged	1,180
Total	2,803

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#90270u1603 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.70	up 0.01
10 Public Utils	90.15	up 0.09
10 Industrials	87.26	off 0.07

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#90270u1606 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2481.93	2492.33	2393.29	2427.48	off 32.17
20 Trans	850.04	858.91	818.79	828.03	off 18.49
15 Utils	200.08	200.89	197.37	198.69	off 1.13
65 Stock	867.40	872.42	840.22	849.81	off 12.09

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	23,134,200	24,780,700
Trans	3,908,500	2,955,900
Utils	2,736,100	2,683,600

65	Stock	29,778,800	30,420,200

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.70	up 0.01
10 Public Utils	90.15	up 0.09
10 Industrials	87.26	off 0.07

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 131.66 up 0.14.

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#90270u1615 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - Indexing capital gains to ensure that taxes are not paid on profits eaten by inflation appears to pose the same philosophical and fiscal dilemma for Democrats that they had with President Bush's call to cut the tax rate.

Accordingly, the latest administration proposal at the bipartisan budget summit - a ''bottom line'' plan that sources said calls for indexing capital gains instead of cutting rates - may not end the impasse that has kept bargainers from reaching a $500 billion, five-year deficit reduction deal.

Indexing, Democratic analysts say, still predominantly benefits the wealthy, but not by quite as much as would a rate cut or excluding a portion of the gain from taxation, as Bush had proposed earlier.

And, they say, indexing remains a money-loser for the Treasury, not a revenue-producer, so money would have to be found from other sources to make up the loss.

Democrats are also likely to insist that any indexing proposal be offset by additional taxes on the rich - the same demand that helped create the original impasse over capital gains since GOP budget negotiators have rejected any hike in income tax rates on the rich in exchange for a capital gains cut.

''Most Democrats are, in fact, looking at indexing as just another version of capital gains,'' one Democratic source said. ''Rank and file Democrats will view this as just another version of capital gains and it will require for most Democrats the same price - that is, some adjustment to the (income tax) rates'' for the rich.

''I think it's going to be very, very difficult for them (Democratic leaders) to get half the Democrats in the House to vote for indexing without some sort of a rate increase,'' the source said. ''I do think it's unlikely that they'll agree to it without an offset.''

The source said ''politically, I don't think that it's any less'' difficult to

get Democratic approval for indexing than for a capital gains rate cut.

Although it can be structured in several ways, indexing of capital gains is fairly simple to understand. Here's how it works.

If someone buys a stock or other asset for $1,000, holds it for 10 years and then sells it for $2,000, there is a capital gain, or profit, of $1,000.

Under current tax law, that $1,000 profit is taxed at the same rate as ordinary income, such as wages. So someone in the 28 percent tax bracket would pay a 28 percent tax, or $280, on the $1,000 capital gain.

With indexing, the tax on the $1,000 gain would be figured as follows:

If inflation over the 10 years the asset was held before being sold averaged 5 percent per year, the inflation factor would be 50 percent during the decade. Under indexing, the asset seller would take the original purchase price of $1,000 and add 50 percent, the inflation factor, before figuring the gain.

In this example, the capital gains tax would be paid on only a $500 gain. That is the difference between $1,500 - the original purchase price plus the 50 percent inflation factor - and the sale price of $2, 000.

At the same 28 percent tax rate, the tax would be $140 after indexing. That is half the $280 in taxes that would be collected under current tax law.

What Bush had earlier proposed was that 30 percent, or $300, of the $1,000 gain in this example be excluded from taxation. Someone in the 28 percent tax bracket would then pay a capital gains tax on the $700 in profit after the exclusion, for a tax of $196.

Again, the tax using indexing would be less than under Bush's earlier proposal.

There are alternatives, such as allowing for 50 percent of inflation instead of 100 percent, but indexing by itself does not appear to be the key that will unlock the golden door of a deficit reduction agreement.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 27) UPI - Asiana Airlines of South Korea Thursday received its first Boeing 767-300, spokesmen for the Seattle-based aircraft manufacturer said.

The plane is the first of 12 767-300s ordered by Asiana, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group spokesmen said. They said the plane, which holds 259 passengers will serve the carrier's intra-Asian routes.

The airline Sept. 3 ordered 27 Boeing aircraft and took options on 24 more. Boeing Co. said the 27 orders are valued at about $3 billion.

The two-year-old airline ordered two 767s in 1988.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austral	.000181	.000182	5532.00	5502.00
Australia dlr	.8262	.8312	1.2104	1.2031
Austria schill	.0906	.0906	11.04	11.04
Belgium franc-c	.0309	.0310	32.32	32.25
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0125	.0126	80.03	79.64
Britain pound	1.8775	1.8640	.5326	.5365
Britain 1-mo	1.8671	1.8532	.5356	.5396
Britain 3-mo	1.8476	1.8342	.5412	.5452
Britain 6-mo	1.8207	1.8086	.5492	.5529
Canada dollar	.8662	.8643	1.1545	1.1570
Canada 1-mo	.8632	.8614	1.1585	1.1609
Canada 3-mo	.8575	.8561	1.1662	1.1681
Canada 6-mo	.8503	.8492	1.1761	1.1776
Chile peso-f	.003474	.003475	287.82	287.75
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001921	.001933	520.63	517.24
Denmark krne	.1667	.1670	5.9995	5.9880
Ecudr sucre-z	.001175	.001190	851.18	840.45
Egypt pound	.3720	.3726	2.6885	2.6836
Finlnd mrkka	.2689	.2684	3.7190	3.7260
France franc	.1906	.1910	5.2475	5.2350
France 1-mo	.1903	.1908	5.2549	5.2422
France 3-mo	.1897	.1902	5.2728	5.2590
France 6-mo	.1886	.1891	5.3025	5.2872
Greece drach	.006557	.006559	152.51	152.46
Hollnd guildr	.5686	.5669	1.7586	1.7641
HongKong dlr	.1289	.1289	7.7592	7.7585
India rupee	.0558	.0557	17.92	17.96
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000542	1846.00	1846.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7087	1.7145	0.5852	0.5833

Israel shekel	.4975	.4995	2.0100	2.0020
Italy lira	.000855	.000854	1169.00	1170.75
Japan yen	.007249	.007310	137.95	136.80
Japan 1-mo	.007313	.007315	136.75	136.70
Japan 3-mo	.007383	.007321	135.45	136.60
Japan 6-mo	.007515	.007391	133.07	135.30
Jordan dinar	1.5555	1.6003	.6429	.6249
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000348	.000348	2876.00	2876.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6154	.6184	1.6250	1.6171
Norway krne	.1649	.1649	6.0650	6.0650
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	431,430	434,338
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007223	.007220	138.45	138.50
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2674	3.7406	3.7400
Singapore dlr	.5678	.5671	1.7611	1.7635
S.Africa rand	.3914	.3909	2.5550	2.5580
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010168	.010187	98.35	98.16
Sweden krona	.1731	.1734	5.7775	5.7670
Switzrl franc	.7746	.7660	1.2910	1.3055
Switzrl 1-mo	.7742	.7651	1.2916	1.3070
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7743	.7657	1.2915	1.3060
Switzrl 6-mo	.7738	.7659	1.2923	1.3056
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.80	26.80
Turkey lira	.000368	.000370	2715.00	2701.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Venez bolivr-z	.0210	.0209	47.72	47.82
W.Ger Mark	.6408	.6394	1.5605	1.5640
W.Ger 1-mo	.6408	.6393	1.5606	1.5643
W.Ger 3-mo	.6405	.6392	1.5614	1.5644
W.Ger 6-mo	.6391	.6381	1.5646	1.5671
Yugosl dinar	.0931	.0935	10.74	10.69

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - The chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation says the fund protecting U-S bank deposits is expected to decrease by three-BILLION dollars in 1990. That's a shrinkage of one-BILLION dollars more than

previously anticipated. William Seidman told U-P-I ''the losses were larger and there were more failures.''

A former Algerian president returned from exile to Algiers, where about 50-thousand people greeted him today. Ahmed Ben Bella called for general elections, 15 years after his government was overthrown in a military coup. Aides say Ben Bella took a ferry home, believing he might be killed on an airplane.

The East and West German Social Democratic parties merged today in what promises to be Germany's largest opposition party when the two nations unite next Wednesday. The S-D-P released its new manifesto in West Berlin, saying the party will work- quote- so ''Germany can find its place in a peaceful Europe.''

An anti-terrorism conference in central London proved to be the scene of anti-terrorism work. Police say they ound and de-fused a bomb today that could have caused ''death and serious injury'' had it exploded. Police say they suspect the outlawed Irish Republican Army planted the explosive.

Belgian police say kidnapping may have been on the minds of two men who last night broke into the home of a U-S Air Force general assigned to NATO. The men overpowered a guard, leaving him hospitalized with severe head injuries. But the general who resides in the Brussels home was out of the country.

The Chicago Sun-Times today quotes sources as saying a federal grand jury is looking into allegations involving three Chicago-area orange juice makers. The sources say the Chicago area has a reputation among government regulators for selling juice billed as ''pure''... but adulterated with unlisted ingredients.

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#90270u1630 09/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Hillhaven	887,800	1 1/2	unch	
Paine Webber wtB	880,600	10 7/8	up	3/4
Denmark Kingdm wt	713,700	21 5/8	up	7/8
Salamon Inc wtJn	697,900	20 3/4	up	3/4
Salamon Philbro	574,900	4	unch	
Echo Bay Mines	432,500	13 7/8	off	1/4
Eksportfinans	395,600	10 7/8	up	3/4
Fruit of the Loom	337,400	8	off	3/4
Kirby Corp	301,000	6 1/4	off	1/8
Western Digital	279,800	5 3/4	off	3/8

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#90270u1634 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 27) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5800	off 50
Kubota Ltd	91	off 10
Atl Rch pfC	324 1/8	off 8 1/2
Progressive	42 1/2	off 6 1/8
ITT pfK	75	off 5
ITT pfO	75	off 4
FCitTx pfB	42 1/2	off 4
CapCiti/ABC	451 1/2	off 3 3/4
Wells Fargo	42 3/4	off 3 5/8
Pioneer Elec	62	off 3 1/2

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#90270u1637 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - Key congressmen told Energy Secretary James Watkins Thursday they would move quickly to allow him to triple, to 15 million barrels, a test oil sale from America's strategic petroleum reserve.

Watkins, meanwhile, said the price of oil will continue to rise if Iraqi President Saddam Hussein keeps talking about war - despite President Bush's decision to sell 5 million barrels of oil from the stockpile.

''I do think this test shows resolve,'' Watkins said. ''I think the psychological impact is significant.''

But the purpose is to test the U.S. emergency oil system, not to bring the price of oil down, he said.

''We are ready to physically move the oil,'' Watkins said. ''I can't say that it's going to work perfectly,'' but the purpose is to ''stress the system.''

''We're concerned that every time Mr. Hussein opens his mouth on something more serious, it jolts that market,'' Watkins said. ''We're not the only ones affecting the market by a long shot.''

''If Saddam Hussein makes another threat,'' the price of oil will rise despite administration action to sell reserves, Watkins said.

Bush announced the 5 million-gallon test sale in suburban Chicago Wednesday, moving to quell the nation's energy jitters. The oil is stored in underground salt caverns in Texas and Louisiana.

During a long hearing Thursday, key members of Congress indicated they were prepared to swiftly push legislation giving Watkins the authority to sell 15 million barrels of oil from the 590 million-barrel stockpile.

The energy secretary testified at a joint meeting of two House Energy and Commerce subcommittees. The subcommittees are headed by Reps. John Dingell, D-Mich., and Philip Sharp, D-Ind.

Sharp kept pressing Watkins, encouraging him to seek authority from Congress to draw down more than 5 million barrels. Watkins said initially, ''We'll get back to you later,'' but Sharp predicted the House and Senate would move with unusual speed to increase the amount.

Watkins, pushed to specify a bigger amount that could be put up for sale, indicated 15 million barrels would be desirable.

''Three times the number is the number,'' he said, engaging in unusual public negotiation with congressmen who have been hit with a deluge of complaints from voters about skyrocketing gasoline prices at the pump.

''Make no mistake: we will move rapidly to give you all the authority you need '' Sharp said.

Watkins also said the government recognizes ''potential threats'' to the petroleum reserves from saboteurs. A Watkins aide testified that security has been upgraded, facilities ''hardened,'' surveillance increased and the National Guard placed on ''standby alert.''

''We expect oil prices to remain volatile,'' Watkins testified. ''But barring complications, such as armed conflict, major accidents or unusual weather patterns, we believe that the market will keep supplies adequate to meet demand during the winter months.''

Many congressmen asked Watkins to persuade America's allies to begin drawdowns of their oil reserves in conjunction with the United States.

Watkins said ''we are prepared to implement a coordinated drawdown'' of the more than 1 billion barrels in strategic reserves held by the United States and other nations belonging to the International Energy Agency ''should the situation warrant.''

The international agency meets in Paris Friday. Watkins noted, however, that worldwide oil stocks are currently ''above the norm.''

Watkins promised that his long-awaited national energy strategy will be on Bush's desk in December and that conservation will be ''at the core'' of the plan.

The administration also plans to increase its request for conservation money in the next budget, Watkins said, indicating he agreed with some of the criticism that conservation efforts were forgotten after the last oil shock in 1979.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	153,277,400
Advances	561
Declines	1,484
Unchanged	2,197
Total	4,242

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Worries about U.S. banks drove the dollar down against most European currencies in New York trading Thursday, but rising Mideast tensions and oil prices helped to brace it against the Japanese yen.

Troubled Bank of Boston's announcement of a two-thirds dividend reduction and plans to lay off 1,500 employees deepened market anxiety about the solidity of U.S. banks, a dollar-bearish leitmotif these days.

Fears that the Mideast standoff could turn into a shooting war gave a limited amount of support to the dollar, analysts said.

''We've been prone to all kinds of rumors'' said analyst Terry Reid, a Harris Bank assistant vice president in Chicago. ''The attitude in the market is that this Middle East situation might be coming to a head.''

As players believe war news would boost the dollar, however temporarily, no one wants short positions in the unit, Reid said.

Late in the New York session, the dollar was quoted at 1.5610 marks, off from 1.5650 marks Wednesday, and at 138.10 Japanese yen, up from 136.85.

Bank of New York trader Jim Dempsey said the dollar's advance on the yen was mostly a byproduct of the yen's weakness against the deutsche mark. The dollar is a stepping-stone in yen-to-mark trading and gains in the process.

Currency traders said indications from the Swiss National Bank that it would keep its official short-term interest rates firm also proved negative for the dollar, which had moved up on softening Swiss rates.

The British pound finished at $1.8785 up from $1.8720.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2930 Swiss francs, down from 1.3010; 5.2525 French francs, up from 5.2380; and 1,167.30 Italian lire, off from 1,170.60.

In Europe, the dollar closed mixed in choppy trading as dealers stood by for new Mideast developments. European players also fretted about trouble in the U.S. banking industry as real estate loans go bad.

''Upward and downward pressures (on the dollar) are fairly balanced,'' remarked David Simmons, a Midland Bank currency analyst.

''But we're expecting the Fed to change monetary policy (to an easier stance) because of worries about the U.S. banking system,'' he said.

In London, the pound strengthened against the dollar to close at $1.8710 vs. $1.8650 at the close Wednesday.

The dollar ended lower in Frankfurt, at 1.5680 German marks vs. 1.5685. But it rose in Zurich, to 1.3085 Swiss francs compared with 1.3070.

The dollar declined in Paris, Brussels, and Milan, to 5.2485 French francs vs. 5.2635, 32.28 Belgian francs vs. 32.34, and 1,172.60 Italian lire vs. 1,175.50 Wednesday.

In Tokyo, the dollar inched up against the yen in reaction to another fall on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, ending at 137.50 yen vs. 137.40.

''Inflation pressure and the oil price surge is behind the stock plunge and this also works against the yen,'' said Hiroshi Adachi, a vice-president with Lloyds Bank (Japan).

Gold closed higher in Zurich at $404.50 an ounce against $402.50, but closed lower in London at $405.25 an ounce vs. $405.375.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $405.75 an ounce, off from $407.25 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $405 an ounce, also down from $406.60.

Silver closed unchanged in Zurich at $4.80 an ounce. It was also unchanged in London, ending at $4.82.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.80 an ounce, off from $4.815. Comex silver finished trading at $4.771, down from $4.798.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	352.61	340.27	341.19	off	8.84
Industrial	377.75	362.98	364.00	off	10.88
Finance	346.77	337.31	338.52	off	7.20
Insurance	415.33	398.13	399.91	off	14.32
Utility	475.85	460.00	462.01	off	7.21
Bank	253.96	247.73	249.97	off	3.75
Transport	394.48	385.61	386.17	off	3.13

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (9-27) 341.19

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	149.19	off 3.95
Industrial Index	143.64	off 4.39
NASDAQ-100 Index	348.38	off 10.53
(largest non-fin'cl)		
Average price per share	7.74	off 0.21
Volume	127,653,704	shares
Advances	447	
Declines	1,176	
Unchanged	1,180	
Total	2,803	

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	35.10-35.15	34.10-34.15
North Sea Brent	41.00-41.05	40.05-40.15
West Texas Intermed	39.60-39.65	38.65-38.70
Light Louisiana Sweet	41.10-41.20	40.30-40.40
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	103.10-103.30	100.70-100.95
No. 2 Heating oil	102.90-103.15	101.55-101.80
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	100.95-101.20	98.60-98.85

No. 2 Heating oil	102.45-102.70	100.75-101.00

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.19	8.29	9.20
91-day Treasury bills	7.46	7.55	7.88
182-day Treasury bills	7.60	7.73	7.87
1-year Treasury bills	7.74	7.84	7.82
3-year Treasury notes	8.22	8.35	8.43
7-year Treasury notes	8.74	8.88	8.38
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	9.02	9.13	8.25
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.40	9.50	8.97
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.00	10.13	9.25
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.30	9.38	9.26
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.57	9.66	9.29
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.57	9.64	9.42
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.55	9.62	9.41

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Stock prices fell to their lowest level in more than 17 months Thursday in erratic trading on the New York Stock Exchange as investors unloaded blue-chips as the price of oil surged amid worries of escalated hostilities in the Persian Gulf.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which fell 25.99 points Wednesday, tumbled 32.17 points, or slightly more than 1.3 percent, to close at 2427.48 - its lowest level since May 11, 1989.

Since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the Dow Jones Average of 30 selective blue-chip issues has tumbled 437.12 points, or about 6.6 percent of its value.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index lost

2.16 to 165.36, a new low, and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index tumbled 4.09 to 300.97 - its lowest level of the year. The price of an NYSE common share dropped 38 cents.

Declines crushed advances 1,187 to 397, while 403 issues escaped the sell-off among the 1,987 issues crossing the Big Board tape. Volume totaled 182,690,000 shares, well above the 155,570,000 shares changing hands on Wednesday.

Market watchers said stocks plummeted as the price of crude oil surged on global markets and tensions grew in the oil-rich Middle East.

In New York, West Texas Intermediate closed 87 cents a barrel higher at $39.54 on the Mercantile Exchange in what analysts described as a wild trading session.

Oil prices surged on Defense Department reports confirming that the U.S. warship Elmer Montgomery fired a shot across the bow of an Iraqi tanker in the Northern Red Sea.

The prompt-delivery November contract traded as high as $40.10 a barrel - an all-time high for the commodity before dropping back on profit-taking.

''Oil prices also moved up on rumors of troop movements in Saudi Arabia,'' said James Fiedler, energy analyst with E.D.& F. Man International Futures Inc. ''People now truly anticipate a conflict. About the situation in the Middle East, it is no longer a question of what (is going to happen) but when.''

Cash-strapped investors around the globe have been selling stocks in the face of surging oil prices, which have risen more than 75 percent since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait amid rumors and speculation of a shooting war in the Middle East.

President Bush, in a move to quell the nation's energy jitters, late Wednesday authorized the sale of 5 million barrels of oil from the nation's Strategic Petroleum Reserve of 590 million barrels.

The President also said he was taking the action in response to oil price gouging in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, which has sent shock waves through the world's oil markets.

''Anything that has to do with the Mideast has a negative effect, but it's always more the price of oil and the reaction in that market that either hurts or helps us,'' said Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King & Associates in Albany, N.Y.

Doran said that other factors continue to trouble the market as well - the failure thus far of budget conferees to agree on a deficit-cutting plan and

the failure of the Federal Reserve so far to respond to the faltering economy with an interest rate cut.

On the economic front, analysts said, investors will be watching the Commerce Department report on Friday, its composite index of leading indicators for August, which is expected to reflect a decline in most of the reports components.

After rising 0.1 percent in June and holding steady in July, private economists are expecting the report to show a 1.0 percent decline in the index which is designed to predict future economic activity.

On the trading floor, Citicorp, which fell 1 Wednesday, paced the actives slipping another 3/4 to 13 3/4. The company's Citibank announced plans to lay off 100 workers and transfer hundreds of others in cost- saving measures.

General Electric was the second most active, tumbling 3 3/8 to 51 5/8. Boeing Co. followed, falling 1 1/4 to 39 5/8.

In a weak but active banking sector, Bankamerica eased 3/4 to 19 1/4, Chase Manhattan slipped 1/8 to 11, Manufacturers Hanover fell 1 to 20 1/4 and Chemical Bank lost 7/8 to 14 1/8.

Oil issues on average could not buck the downward trend, even with higher oil prices. Texaco fell 7/8 to 61 3/4, Exxon lost 1/4 to 49 5/8, Mobil lost 1 5/8 to 63 1/2, Atlantic Richfield fell 2 to 135, Sun Co. slipped 5/8 to 30 7/8 and Phillips Petroleum fell 1 1/4 to 26.

Union Carbide added 5/8 to 14 7/8 after its board unanimously authorized a series of initiatives designed to enhance value for stockholders and strengthen its businesses.

Among blue-chips, AT&T, trading ex-dividend, was unchanged at 31 1/8 and IBM eased 1 to 104 3/4.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 222,553,450 shares, compared with 187,437,100 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices closed sharply lower in active trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index fell 4.63 to close at 305.43. Declines led advances 439-140 among the 808 issues traded. The price of an average share lost 15 cents.

Composite volume totaled 19,005,500 shares, vs. 16,103,300 traded Wednesday.

Hillhaven Corp. led the Amex issues, unchanged at 1 1/2.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index closed down 8.84 to 341.19.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	5	4	8
New lows	402	301	238

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	388	26,999,700
Declines	1,173	138,355,900
Unchanged	419	17,334,400
Total	1,980	182,690,000

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Citicorp	4,244,900	13 3/4	off 3/4
Genl Electric	3,259,300	51 5/8	off 3 3/8
Boeing Co	2,546,200	39 5/8	off 1 1/4
Unisys Corp	2,281,500	5 3/8	off 1 5/8
Security Pac	2,182,900	19 1/2	off 1 1/2
Contl Bank	2,121,200	7 3/8	off 5/8
MCA Corp	2,061,900	59	off 2 1/4
Bank America	2,010,000	19 1/4	off 3/4
Canadian Pac	1,995,800	15 1/8	unch
Philip Morris	1,951,700	44 1/8	off 1/2
Chase Manhtan	1,878,900	11	off 1/8
Occidntl Pet	1,854,500	19 3/8	off 3/4
PepsiCo Inc	1,798,400	22 1/8	up 1/8
IBM Corp	1,689,100	104 3/8	off 1
NCNB Corp	1,651,200	20 1/8	off 3 1/8

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	168.04	164.62	165.36	off 2.16
Industrial	209.92	205.85	206.36	off 2.85
Transport	132.37	129.14	129.14	off 2.41
Utility	83.88	83.03	83.46	off 0.04
Finance	110.11	106.81	107.38	off 2.92

Equivalent to a loss of 38 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 182,690,000 shares.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	228.50	229.80	221.20	222.50	226.60
Mar	....	....	....	224.70	228.80
Jun	....	....	....	227.70	231.80

Previous day volume: 357 contracts.

Open interest: 1,155 up 155

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	310.80	311.40	300.90	302.70	308.30
Mar	313.50	314.00	303.60	305.25	310.95
Jun	....	316.50	307.00	308.35	313.75

Today's estimated volume: 49,300 contracts.

Open interest: 149,810 up 730

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	170.45	170 85	165.15	166.25	169.20
Mar	172.10	172.10	166.95	167.55	170.60
Jun	171.00	171.00	168.70	168.85	172.00

Open interest: 4,668 up 28

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	516.00	517.00	501.50	504.00	512.80
Nov	507.20	508.25	502.50	504.10	512.85
Dec	510.75	512.00	504.70	506.60	515.75

Estimated volume 3,420 contracts.

Open interest: 6,670 up 221

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#90270u1707 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - The Securities and Exchange Commission announced Thursday Texas oilman T. Boone Pickens and his Mesa L.P. agreed to pay a $2.3 million settlement in the sale of stock of a gold mining company.

Separately, the limited partnership, based in Dallas, announced it will pay $4.9 million to settle a pending class-action lawsuit arising from Pickens' 1984 attempt to acquire control of Phillips Petroleum Co., of Bartlesville, Okla. In the same settlement, Phillips Petroleum agreed to contribute $1.1 million and other defendants $619,750, Mesa said.

In the SEC case, Mesa said it agreed to a consent decree to ''avoid the time, distraction and expense of protracted litigation.''

The SEC said that Pickens and Mesa agreed to the settlement ''without admitting or denying the allegation in the complaint'' about dealings in the common stock of San Francisco-based Homestake Mining Co.

The agreement, filed in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas requires ''Mesa to disgorge $2.3 million in profits obtained as a result of conduct as alleged in the complaint'' to pay claims by Homestake shareholders.

The agency's complaint stems from an announcement made by Pickens and Mesa on Feb. 29, 1988, offering to purchase the gold mining company ''in a negotiated transaction,'' the SEC said.

The announcement caused Homestake's stock price to surge by nearly $4 a share, the agency said.

But over the following two weeks, Pickens and Mesa sold more than 3 million shares of Homestake stock without issuing a press release ''correcting or updating'' its offer to buy the company, the SEC charged.

The SEC said Mesa's press release announcing the takeover offer ''was at the time of issuance or thereafter became materially false and misleading due to its omission to disclose Mesa's intention to sell a substantial part of Mesa's holdings of Homestake common stock.''

''The complaint alleges that Mesa and Pickens should have known that the press release was at the time of its issuance or thereafter became materially false and misleading,'' the agency said.

The SEC said that the $2.3 million settlement will be disbursed to Homestake investors under a ''plan of distribution'' drafted by the agency and approved

by the federal court.

In the Phillips Petroleum case, Mesa owned about 5.7 percent of the company when it offered to acquire 23 million Phillips shares at $60 a share in 1984, said Sydney Tassin, a Mesa consultant.

''Phillips began numerous defenses to prevent the offer, and ultimately Mesa settled with Phillips on the basis that Phillips would effect a recapitalization providing its shareholders with at least $53 a share,'' Tassin said.

The settlement netted Mesa about $75 million on a pre-tax basis, Tassin said.

''The lawsuit arose out of that and has been going on since that time,'' Tassin said. ''We won a summary judgment two years ago, but the other side appealed. In that appeal, our summary judgment was upheld as to half of the counts and was denied on the other half.''

As with the Homestake case, Tassin said Mesa did not violate any law but decided to settle to avoid the expense of drawn-out legal proceedings.

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PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 27) UPI - Pittsburgh Penguins star center Mario Lemieux has developed a disc space inflammation in his back, and he may miss the first three months of the season, team officials said Thursday.

Lemieux, a two-time scoring champion, underwent back surgery July 11 to have portions of bone shaved from a vertebra in his spine.

''Mario Lemieux's back pain has worsened over the last several weeks, '' said team orthopedist Dr. Charles Burke. ''It has worsened in a pattern that we had not expected. It is a different pattern than he's had previously.''

Lemieux was hospitalized earlier this week, and doctors repeated all the tests Lemieux had prior to surgery to compare them, Burke said. The tests and X-rays revealed a new problem that was not directly related to the surgery, he said.

''The X-rays and tests that we have done show that the disc taken out has been completely removed and there's no evidence of any recurrence or other problem from the disc itself,'' Burke said. ''There is an area of inflammation that exists in the same disc space in a different area from where the disc herniations occurred.''

The source of that inflammation is not known, but it could have spread from a small, flu-like infection Lemieux had in August that was unrelated to his back Burke said. Lemieux is being given antibiotics to treat the inflammation, he

said.

''The good news is that the problem is very treatable,'' Burke said. ''The bad news is it will take approximately six to eight weeks of medication to treat the problem, and he will not play for a minimum of eight weeks and most likely 10 and 12 weeks.''

The original back injury caused Lemieux to miss 21 games last season while he underwent therapy with spine specialist Dr. Robert Watkins of Los Angeles, but he still scored 45 goals and 78 assists, fourth best in the league. Lemieux continued to experience pain in his back, buttocks and legs after the season, and surgery was deemed necessary.

Lemieux had not played a game during the exhibition season but said as recently as Thursday he hoped to play in the season opener in Landover, Md., against the Washington Capitals on Oct. 5, his 25th birthday.

Lemieux probably would be in the hospital for about 10 days and then receive medication at home for the rest of his treatment, Burke said.

''This is a very uncommon thing, especially in a healthy individual,'' said Burke.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - The Houston Rockets Thursday acquired guards Kenny Smith and Roy Marble from Atlanta in exchange for center Tim McCormick and guard John Lucas, plus future considerations for both teams, general manager Steve Patterson announced.

Smith, with career scoring of 14.4 points per game and 6.8 assists in 221 games, was the sixth selection overall in the 1987 NBA draft by Sacramento. He went on to earn first team All-NBA rookie honors in 1987- 88, averaging 13.8 points and 7.1 assists. Smith, who led the Kings in assists and steals his first two seasons, averaged 17.3 points and 7.7 assists in 1988-89 as he started and played in every game.

The North Carolina graduate was averaging 15.0 points and 6.6 assists in 46 games (all starts) for Sacramento last season when he was traded with forward Mike Williams to Atlanta for Antoine Carr, Sedric Toney and a 1991 second round draft pick. He made only five starts for Atlanta, averaging 7.7 points and 4.3 assists in 20 minutes per game.

Marble, a 1989 first-round selection (23rd overall) by the Hawks, averaged 2.1 points in 24 games last season. He was placed on the NBA's suspended list Feb. 22. The 6-foot-6, Flint, Mich., native is Iowa's all-time leading scorer and is the 10th all-time leading scorer in Big Ten history.

Marble started several 1989 exhibition games for the Hawks. His best performance came in a 122-120 win over Houston when he had 31 points, 10 of 14 field goals, 11 of 13 free throws and nine rebounds in 35 minutes.

McCormick played two seasons for the Rockets, averaging 4.6 points and 2.9 rebounds in 99 games as a reserve. He missed most of last season because of two knee operations.

Lucas, ninth on the NBA's all-time assists list (6,454), played five seasons for the Rockets three different times. He was the No. 1 pick in the NBA draft by Houston in 1976 and has played 14 seasons in the league with six teams (Houston, Golden State, Washington, San Antonio, Milwaukee, Seattle).

Lucas holds the NBA record for most assists in one quarter (14, San Antonio vs Denver; April 15, 1984). He also shares the second highest total for one quarter (12, once with Houston and once with Golden State).

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ALBANY, NY (SEPT. 27) UPI - Promising New Yorkers cleaner air, state officials Thursday adopted the tough California motor vehicle emissions standard for cars sold in New York after 1993.

In doing so, New York became the second state in the nation to adopt standards higher than those imposed by the federal government. New Jersey and Massachusetts are expected to follow suit.

The action comes as California considers even tougher regulations requiring less-polluting fuels.

The New York emission standards are identical to the California standards that have been in place for several years. On Friday, California officials are expected to adopt stricter ''tier two'' standards that will require at least 10 percent of cars sold in California in the year 2003 to emit no pollutants.

The auto industry opposed the stricter New York standards as too expensive and not relevant to the Northeast, where they say a colder climate does not produce the same levels of ozone as in California.

But state Environmental Conservation Commmissioner Thomas Jorling said the cost of the new emissions standards should be no more than $100.

''By adopting the California standards for motor vehicle emissions, New York state is adopting the single most cost-effective program of emissions reduction that can be applied,'' he said.

''With it, we can make dramatic strides to achieve healthful air for all our citizens. New York is also sending a clear message that the time has come for the automobile industry to produce vehicles that are clean, fuel-efficient, durable and do not damage the environment nor threaten public health,'' he said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - A tank barge sank Thursday in the busy Kill Van Kull, spilling at least 20,000 gallons of fuel oil into the waterway that separates Staten Island and New Jersey.

The barge Sarah Frank, owned by New England Marine of Bayonne, N.J., sank at 9:15 a.m. at the First Marine Shipyard on Staten Island, in the Kill Van Kull, the waterway separating Staten Island and New Jersey, Coast Guard officials said.

Coast Guard Chief Warrant Officer John Hollis said no more than 20, 000 gallons leaked and that the spill was contained by Thursday afternoon. He said environmental damage from the spill was expected to be minimal, thanks to the placement of booms around the sunken ship.

''The oil is well-boomed off in a contained area in a shipyard.'' Hollis said. ''The oil is not going anywhere.''

He said vacuum trucks and skimming boats were being brought in to suck the oil out of the water through hoses. The retrieved fuel oil would then be loaded into trucks, Hollis said.

The Coast Guard also placed booms around Shooters Island bird sanctuary to prevent the oil seepage from harming wildlife, Hollis said.

The waterway was not closed to ships, but some boats were forced to re-route, with northbound ships being sent south, Hollis said.

Coast Guard spokesman Lionel Bryant said investigators were uncertain what caused the barge to sink.

The leak was the second large spill this month in the waterways separating Staten Island and New Jersey. On Sept. 5, about 5,000 gallons of oil spilled into the adjacent Arthur Kill from a 6 million-gallon Hess oil tank in Perth Amboy, N.J.

The two waterways have been the site of numerous spills during the past year, including three ''major'' spills of more than 100,000 gallons of oil.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 420.59, off 1.36 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90270u1808 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
HOLLYWOOD (SEPT. 27) UPI - The late soul singer-songwriter Marvin Gaye, whose hits included ''Heard It Through the Grapevine'' and ''Sexual Healing,'' was honored Thursday with a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

Stevie Wonder, Lou Rawls and former Supreme's singer Mary Wilson were among those who attended the unveiling of the star.

Gaye, who was shot and killed by his father in 1984 one day before his 45th birthday, was remembered as a ''visionary'' during the ceremony, which was also attended by Motown founder Berry Gordy and television rock music show host Dick Clark.

Hundreds of fans spilled into the street as Gaye's star was dedicated. Many shouted ''It's about time'' as Gaye's three children, Marvin III, Frankie and Nona accepted the honor on his behalf.

The singer, pianist, drummer and composer was born into a religious family in Washington, where he sang his first solos in the choir at the church where his father was a minister.

As a young man, Gaye toured the rhythm and blues circuit, but his big break came when he met up with Motown's Gordy at a Detroit party. His first R&B chart hit, ''Stubborn Kind of Fellow'' in 1962, followed shortly after tha meeting.

His hit ''Heard it Through the Grapevine,'' became the No. 1 seller in the nation in December 1968. Gaye's other hits included ''Ain't That Peculiar,'' ''What's Going On'' and his famed duets with Dianna Ross, Mary Wells, Kim Weston such as ''Ain't No Mountain High Enough'' and ''Ain't Nothing Like the Real Thing.''

In 1982, Gaye won his first Grammy award for his ''Midnight Love'' album, which featured the sultry hit ''Sexual Healing.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Afffliated Fund 8.82
9.46

Anchor Fund Inv	13.75	14.59
Delaware Mutual	16.26	17.44
Fidelity Fund	15.74	15.74
Investors Mutual	10.27	10.81
Investors Stocks	17.18	18.08
Investors Select	8.20	8.63
IDS Equity Plus	8.42	8.86
Mass Inv Growth	7.56	8.15
Nicholas Fund	3.22	3.22
United Accumulated	5.99	6.55
United Income	15.67	17.13
Vanguard Wellington	15.33	15.33

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SALEM, OR (SEPT. 27) UPI - Northwest utilities would pay an additional $650 million to $1.4 billion during the next 21 years if Oregon voters close the state's only nuclear power plant, a study released Thursday showed.

The joint study by the Oregon Public Utility Commission and the state Energy Department estimated that most of the cost - $440 million to $930 million - would be incurred by Portland General Electric, which owns 67.5 percent of the Trojan nuclear plant northwest of Portland.

The rest of the cost would be spread among other utilities, most of it through increased wholesale prices charged by the Bonneville Power Administration, which gets 30 percent of Trojan's electricity. Pacific Power & Light gets 2.5 percent of Trojan's output.

The report deals with the impact of a statewide ballot measure that would close Trojan until the federal government opens a dump for radioactive waste and until the plant is proven earthquake-safe and cost-effective.

Ironically, the report was released less than a week after a circuit court judge invalidated the anti-Trojan initiative and four other ballot measures, saying they lacked required statements about their impact on state government.

Elections officials immediately appealed the ruling, and the issue was scheduled to go before the Oregon Supreme Court Friday afternoon. If the Supreme Court overturns the lower ruling, voters will decide Trojan's fate in November.

The report says the measure would amount to a permanent closure of Trojan, which is now licensed to operate until 2011. The opening of a waste dump is not scheduled until 2010 and the report says it would cost too much to

maintain the plant in a ready-to-restart condition.

If PGE recovered its extra costs from ratepayers, residential customers would see their bills jump by an average of $25 to $52 a year during the 21-year period, according to the report. The increase would probably be higher in the early years.

PGE might also be able to recover the extra costs from taxpayers through condemnation proceedings, according to the report.

If ratepayers or taxpayers did not foot the bill, stockholders would have to absorb some of the cost, which would make it harder for PGE to sell stocks and bonds, state officials estimated.

The report estimates that BPA's wholesale rates for electricity would increase 0.7 percent to 1.5 percent, and perhaps more in the near future. However, the report offers no prediction as to how much of the wholesale price increase would be passed through to ratepayers at utilities which buy power from the BPA.

PGE and the BPA would both have increased costs because they would have to pay more for power to replace electricity lost through a Trojan shutdown, according to the report.

The total region-wide cost estimate is lower than an earlier prediction by the Northwest Power Planning Council, which said a Trojan shutdown would cost $800 million to $2.2 billion. The new report uses different assumptions about the efficiency of Trojan and the cost of replacement power.

If Trojan is closed, coal, oil and gas plants in the western United States and Canada would have to increase output to make up for the lost power, the report said. Officials estimate the Northwest would have to buy more power at some times of the year and reduce energy sales to other regions at other times. In the long run, increased conservation might alleviate some of the problem, the report says.

The commission and the Energy Department began work on the report after the Trojan ballot measure became a major issue in the gubernatorial campaign, with Democrat Barbara Roberts saying the plant should be closed and Republican Dave Frohnmayer saying it should be kept open.

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HONOLULU (SEPT. 27) UPI - A Navy submarine prowling the ocean floor has located and recovered the bottom half of a cargo door that tore off a United Airlines jet last year, sending nine people to their deaths, Navy officials said Thursday.

The deep-sea sub crew found the door section Wednesday night while on their sixth dive to 14,000 feet below the ocean surface about 100 miles south-southwest of Oahu, Lt. Cmdr. Sandy Stairs said.

The recovered section, which measures six-by-10 feet, was raised to the surface with the hydraulic jaws of the submarine and brought onto the deck of the sub's support ship, the National Transportation Safety Board said.

United Flight 811, with 355 people aboard, was bound for New Zealand from Honolulu Feb. 24, 1989 when part of the fuselage ripped away at 22, 000 feet, sweeping nine passengers out of the Boeing 747 and to their deaths.

The NTSB earlier this year blamed the accident on improper latching and flawed design of the cargo door locking mechanism, as well as maintenance and inspection problems.

But the board, the Federal Aviation Administration, United, and Boeing are anxious to examine the door to make a final determination of the cause of the accident.

''Preliminary examination of the (recovered section of the) door by a safety board investigator (who was aboard the sub) has revealed that it had fractured longitudinally near the midspan latch position,'' the NTSB said Thursday.

''The (door's) eight latch cams are in the nearly 'open' position. The eight latch lock sectors are in the 'locked' position; all of them are deformed. The latch cam actuator is in place. The master latch lock handle is locked,'' the safety board said in a statement.

NTSB spokeswoman Druscilla Anderson said investigators do not yet know what all of that means.

''Our investigators ... will have to do some analysis as to whether what was supposed to have been done (to lock the door) was done, and what failed and what didn't,'' she said.

The sub crew also believe they may have found the top half of the door about 200 yards away during the 18-hour dive. The sub will make another dive Thursday night to inspect the debris and recover it if it is the door.

The recovery of the door section by the Navy sub, the 31.5-foot, 58, 000-pound Sea Cliff, involved the second-deepest manned recovery ever attempted.

An unmanned submersible towed across the ocean floor July 20 found a three-mile-long field of debris in the area and found a 9-foot-long piece that officials thought could be the door.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - Millions of Americans are signing up for ''gold'' credit cards that offer services most consumers don't need and at higher fees they could often avoid, the nation's largest bank card consumer group said Thursday.

''For many, the cards will mean little more than higher rates and fees and more plastic profits for the banks that issue them,'' said a statement issued by the Virginia-based Bankcard Holders of America.

The 75,000-member non-profit group issued a 16-page consumer guide to the premium or gold credit cards whose primary message is ''consumers will pay much higher annual fees for most gold cards than for standard cards.''

''Consumers are being inundated with gold card offers from virtually every major issuer of gold credit cards,'' explained BHA executive director Elgie Holstein, noting that Americans are currently holding 22.8 million gold Visas and MasterCards alone.

''What we advise people is to consider carefully whether they really need a gold card, considering annual fees for the privelege of carrying one.''

Holstein said one of the most common reasons people apply for gold cards is to obtain a higher line of credit, ''but they can often get it from their regular credit card just by asking.''

The difference is that annual fees for gold cards are often higher. The annual fees for standard cards, Holstein said, range from free to $55 and average $17 while gold card annual fees range from free to $100 and average $36.

The BHA guide notes that many benefits, called ''enhancements'' in the industry, are poor buys because they are either offered by lower- cost standards cards (such as emergency cash), little used by most consumers or duplicate coverage cardholders may already have. Many homeowners' insurance policies, for instance, include the kind of purchase coverage offered by gold cards.

''Fewer than 5 percent of cardholders actually make use of the enhancements that come with gold cards,'' Holstein said. ''This means that unless you really think you may someday need one of the benefits, save your money and stick with a standard card.''

The consumer group's director added the ''prestige factor'' that prompts many people to buy gold cards is fading.

''There's so many different colors and designs of (all) cards now that

impressing the waiter is harder than it used to be,'' Holstein said.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Suspended				
Unisys Corp				
Reverse Stock Split				
Kleer-Vu Industries - 1-for-10				
Stock				
Republic Bancorp Inc	..	10PC	11-20	11-1
Increased				
General Magnaplate	S	.03	10-5	9-14
Martin Marietta Corp	Q	.37 1/2	12-31	12-3
Reduced				
Bank of Boston	Q	.10	10-26	10-9
Crowley Milner & Co	Q	.12 1/2	10-26	10-12
Initial				
Bay Cities Natl Bank	..	.10	10-25	10-10
Distribution				
Essex Fincl Ptrs LP	Q	.40	11-15	10-1
Usual				
Aloette Cosmetics Inc	Q	.08	11-15	10-26
Boston Edison Co	Q	.38	11-1	10-10
Burritt InterFincl	Q	.08	11-1	10-16
Courier Corp	Q	.10	10-19	10-9
Curtice Burns Foods	Q	.16	10-30	10-16
Deerfield Fedl S&L	..	.20	10-12	10-5
Echlin Inc	Q	.17 1/2	10-18	10-5

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 27) UPI - Democrats proposed a new tax plan at the bipartisan budget summit that would, for the first time, impose limits on the

amount of federal tax deductions wealthy Americans could claim, sources said Thursday.

''The more you make, the more it's limited,'' one Democratic source said of the new proposal that would hit the richest taxpayers the hardest.

Details of the plan - and Republican reaction to it - were not immediately available.

The bipartisan negotiating group was expected to meet late into the night again Thursday in hopes of reaching a $500 billion deficit- reduction plan before steep automatic spending cuts required under the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law kick in on Monday, the first day of fiscal year 1991.

The source said the Democratic proposal would bring in enough money over five years to offset the cost of a new Republican plan to index the capital gains tax to ease the bite inflation takes out of profits from the sale of assets.

Under the new Democratic proposal, virtually all deductions for wealthier Americans would be limited, including those for home mortgage interest, charitable contributions and the amount paid in state and local taxes.

Currently, there are no limits on those deductions, regardless of income level.

Democrats have argued that during the 1980s the federal tax code has become increasingly more regressive - that is, the rich have shouldered proportionately less of the tax burden while middle income taxpayers have shouldered more of the burden.

And they have resisted Republican calls for a cut in the capital gains tax - a move they say benefits mainly the rich - unless there is an offsetting tax increase on the wealthy.

To date, Democrats have demanded that income tax rates on the rich go up as the price for Democratic agreement to a capital gains cut. But the new proposal may represent a signifcant movement by Democrats away from the tax increase the GOP will not accept to a more acceptable, yet progressive, alternative.

Earlier Thursday, assistant House Democratic leader William Gray of Pennsylvania said on the CBS program ''This Morning'' that he was hopeful a budget agreement ''of historic proportions'' by this weekend.

And in Minneapolis, where President Bush was on the second day of a two-day political swing, he continued blaming congressional Democrats for the current budget impasse.

Bush said ''the clock is ticking and I'm hopeful Congress will get the message

and make the compromises to keep this country from screeching to a halt'' on Monday, when the automatic spending cuts kick in and thousands of government workers will be furloughed for lack of funds to pay them.

Bush charged that Democrats have not offered a serious budget plan and warned that the automatic cuts in four days would be a ''tragic fact of life.''

''We can't afford business as usual,'' he said. ''The American people deserve better.''

He said that ''America faces serious across-the-board cuts of services of every kind because Congress and the Democratic leadership couldn't get serious about reducing the deficit and budget reform.''

''The Gramm-Rudman meat ax is about to do it for them,'' Bush said.

Bush said Democrats ''seeking political gains demanded I put everything on the table, including taxes.''

''To put our fiscal house in order, I demanded they act,'' he said. ''They acted, all right, as if they had all the time in the world.''

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During their meeting, negotiators resolved the contentious issue of whether to set a cutoff date for access to the loan writedown and buy out programs. The administration wanted bar writedowns and buy outs on any loans made after Jan. 6, 1988. The House endorsed the ''sunset'' date in a bill passed earlier this year.

Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D., said it was unwise to eliminate a program that could prove useful if hard times return. Rep. Glenn English, D- Okla., said leaving the programs open would mean ''people can ... borrow money on the assumption they won't have to paid it back.''

Conferees compromised by saying only one writedown would be allowed for loans made after the start of 1988.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - A Cuban exile who was the first and last member of the anti-Castro ''Omega 7'' terrorist group to face prosecution pleaded guilty Thursday to federal bombing and bail-jumping charges, officials said.

Jose Ignacio Gonzalez, 48, had pleaded guilty in February 1984 to a series of bombings in Miami in the early 1980s, and as part of the plea bargain, agreed to testify against other members of Omega 7.

The group, dedicated to the overthrow of Cuban leader Fidel Castro, assumed responsibility for more than 30 bombings and two murders between 1978 and 1984.

Gonzalez was never sentenced after jumping bail in April 1984.

He remained in hiding until Guatemala expelled him June 4, and was arrested upon arriving in Miami, said U.S. Attorney Otto Obermaier.

He then was transferred to New York to face the outstanding charges against him and to be sentenced on the 1984 charges, Obermaier said.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael Tabak said Gonzalez agreed to be sentenced in New York instead of Miami when he entered his latest plea. He also pleaded guilty to one count from a federal indictment out of Miami that charged him with damaging foreign government property located in the United States.

That charge relates to Gonzalez's admission that he placed a time bomb under a sofa at the Mexican Consulate in Miami in 1981. He made that admission in 1984 when he also pleaded guilty to transporting a bomb to the Offices of the

Consulate General of Nicaragua in Miami in 1982, Tabak said.

Gonzalez also pleaded guilty Thursday to the bail-jumping charges.

He entered his guilty pleas in 1984 and on Thursday to the same judge, U.S. District Court Judge Robert Carter. Carter set sentencing for Nov. 29, and ordered Gonzalez that continue being held without bail.

Gonzalez, formerly of Miami, faces a maximum sentence of 25 years in prison and $35,000 in fines.

In 1984, he and two other Cuban exiles were the first defendants implicated in Omega 7 to plead guilty and to enter cooperation agreements with federal prosecutors investigating the right-wing group.

One of those defendants was charged with helping Gonzalez plant the time bomb in the Mexican Consulate by distracting a receptionist. The explosion damaged the building, but no one was injured.

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UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 27) UPI - After years of bargaining and setbacks, the United States and the Soviet Union stood on the brink of a final breakthrough on an agreement limiting conventional military forces in Europe, officials said Thursday.

Although some minor details remain to be worked out by technical teams, Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze laid out the final pattern for agreement in a two-hour session Thursday.

Both men, after their meeting described ''good progress'' and said they were taking the results to their allies for approval. Since the Warsaw Pact, as a military alliance has virtually ceased to exist, that means the results will be approved if NATO buys the bargain that Baker and his negotiators struck in their talks in New York.

A NATO diplomat said, ''I can't imagine that any details over minor issues would stand in the way of approving such a major agreement.''

The treaty would limit men, aircraft, helicopters and armored vehicles based in Europe. The cuts would be at least 50 percent in each category.

In their second meeting in two days, Baker and Shevardnadze focused only on the remaining issues in the conventional forces in Europe agreement, known as CFE.

There were three remaining issues:

-Sufficiency, or the percentage of forces that the United States and the Soviet Union would be permitted to make up in the remaining East- West forces. The United States wanted that percentage to be around 30, while the Soviets pushed for a slightly higher number, between 35 and 40 percent. According to a U.S. official there will be different percentages for different categories of weapons.

-Zones. Officials said there was essential agreement on how many units each side can station outside its own national territory.

-Aircraft. The exact counting rules will have to be worked out by teams of technical experts, but Western officials said they believe the minor remaining differences will be bridged.

The two are expected to meet at least one more time in New York after their session Thursday, to discuss strategic arms reductions, in addition to a Shevardnadze session with President Bush Monday in New York.

The Baker-Shevardnadze series of meetings this week is their 20th, an average of one per month in the Bush administration, in addition to dozens of telephone calls between the two foreign ministers.

The show of superpower solidarity is not accidental, according to U.S. officials, with both Baker and Shevardnadze determined to send a signal to Baghdad that Saddam Hussein's personal ambitions will not be allowed to destroy what should be the dawn of the post-Cold War era of peace.

The conventional force talks have been going in their present form since January 1989, but this CFE series follows a frustrasting series of failures going back to 1975.

The major breakthrough came with the breakup of the Warsaw Pact, but that left the question of how to put that new military situation into a treaty that would weather the next uncertain changes in Europe, and how to regulate military forces.

Included in those questions are such arcane issues as:

-What is a combat aircraft? Does it include two-seater trainers which can be turned into a warplane by adding some electronics and some wing- pylons which could carry missiles? And if so, how many of those planes would equal one plane specifically designed to kill enemy aircraft or tanks?

-How can each side be sure that a demobilized military man remains a civilian. Do you count border and custom guards or reserve units, and if so, how does each side verify those counts?

-How do you destroy a tank, a vehcile specifically designed to resist destruction? Environmentalist groups quickly opposed the dumping of tanks into the ocean, but other methods are expensive, slow and possibly dangerous, such as the trend, which has already begun, of selling off surplus tanks to the Third World.

In another example of cooperation in the post-Cold War period, Baker and Vietnam's deputy prime minister, Nguyen Co Thach, have scheduled a 30-minute meeting Saturday morning in New York, the highest-level session in a series of four lower-level-meetings that began last month.

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NEWARK, N.J. (SEPT. 27) UPI - The ousted president of a failed New Jersey savings and loan admitted Thursday that he used bank funds to buy flowers for his wife and insurance for his mother and took cash payoffs from borrowers, including one who has defaulted on $17 million in loans.

Donald Moskowitz, 51, who headed tiny United Savings Bank in Paterson for a decade, pleaded guilty to two counts of bank fraud and one of tax evasion. He agreed to cooperate with an ongoing federal investigation.

''He treated United Savings Bank as his own personal piggy bank,'' said Jeremiah Doyle, assistant head of the Newark FBI office.

Moskowitz also admitted taking thousands of dollars from borrowers along with free furniture for his house. One borrower gave his sister a $500-a-week no-show job, he said.

Wayne Cross, who has since defaulted on millions in loans to his companies, gave Moskowitz an initial payoff of more than $10,000 followed by other payments of up to $7,500, Moskowitz said.

The Office of Thrift Supervision fired Moskowitz in April after finding evidence of ''mismanagement, insider abuse, dishonesty and outright fraud.'' Regulators estimated that he cost the thrift millions of dollars.

U.S. Attorney Michael Chertoff said that Moskowitz's crimes did not cause the collapse of United Savings, saying the S&L was forced to shut down because it could not meet capital requirements. United Savings lost $7.6 million last year and $1.2 million in the first quarter of 1990.

But Chertoff called Moskowitz ''a living symbol'' of the S&L crisis because of his carelessness and greed.

During the hearing, Moskowitz reluctantly admitted that a $2.7 million life insurance policy with his mother as beneficiary cost United Savings more than

$200,000 in annual premiums. The bank also paid his mother's health insurance.

But he continually tried to justify his conduct, saying that he did not remember authorizing payment of the premiums and telling U.S. District Judge Alfred Wolin that he would not have continued the policy if he had known how much it cost.

United Savings, with four branches and assets of $245 million, was almost a family business. Moskowitz succeeded his uncle as president in 1979.

Moskowitz explained the flowers to his wife by saying he thought of them as a business expense.

''At that time, I was working 14 hours a day,'' he said. ''I wasn't coming home for dinner.''

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KINGSTON, MA (SEPT. 27) UPI - A church deacon charged with killing his young neighbor and burying her partially clad body in his basement was ordered Thursday to undergo psychiatric testing, while police prepared to excavate his yard and search for more bodies.

A crowd of as many as 300 jeering Kingston residents gathered outside the courthouse as Henry Meinholz, 52, was brought in for his arraignment. Some shouted, ''Hang him! Hang him!'' as several police officers led the suspect inside, where he pleaded innocent.

Meinholz, a bookkeeper for a lumber company, was arrested Wednesday after authorities investigating the disappearance of 13-year-old Melissa Benoit discovered a body in the cellar of his Main Street home.

The body, which had been wrapped in a plastic sheet, was exhumed after authorities obtained a court order. Investigators were awaiting the results of an autopsy Thursday to confirm their suspicions that it was Benoit's remains and to determine the cause of death.

Meanwhile, Kingston Police Chief Alan Ballinger said he had applied for a warrant to dig up part of Meinholz's yard in a search for more possible bodies.

''We're applying for a warant now to dig up some particular areas in their backyard,'' he said. ''We want to be very careful and meticulous.''

Benoit, a soft-spoken eighth-grader at the Sacred Heart School, vanished Sept. 15 after spending the afternoon watching television at another neighbor's house. She is believed to have left that house, located 50 feet from her own, to visit the grave of her father, who died one year ago last week.

Her disappearance sparked a massive search by several hundred volunteers and a nationally televised plea for her safe return by her mother, who appeared on the program, ''America's Most Wanted.''

Meinholz, a deacon at the First Baptist Church in Plymouth, and his wife were among the scores of neighbors and friends who combed the South Shore town of 4,300 residents, 25 miles southeast of Boston, looking for the missing girl.

Meinholz underwent a lengthy session with a court psychiatrist at the Kingston police station before he was brought to Plymouth District Court for arraignment, Plymouth County District Attorney William O'Malley said.

After pleading innocent, Judge Dennis Collari ordered him held without bail and sent him to Bridgewater State Hospital for a 20-day psychiatric evaluation. The case was continued to Oct. 16.

Meinholz's attorney, Jack Atwood, said his client was ''bewildered'' by the entire chain of events and was unable to remember anything about the incident. He said the court psychiatrist had confirmed the memory loss was genuine.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - An earthquake measuring four-point-seven on the Richter scale shook a central South African city and its gold fields early today, killing two miners. The quake also caused some damage to the area 170 miles southwest of Johannesburg.

Police in New York are questioning a 17-year-old in what they believe was an accidental shooting early today in the Bronx. A 13-year-old was killed by the gunfire, becoming the seventh New York child to die this summer from gunshots.

Two cable television company workers are hospitalized in North Dakota after falling an estimated 180 feet from a tower near Langdon. The tower collapsed last night, leaving one worker in critical condition, the other serious.

The National Hurricane Center says tropical storm Josephine has weakened to a tropical depression off the Cape Verde Islands in the Atlantic. At last report the depression was located about one-thousand 30 miles west-northwest of the islands.

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MOSCOW (SEPT. 27) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev ordered local authorities and enterprises to fulfill contracts for delivery of materials Thursday in his first decree under new powers delegated by the parliament

earlier in the week.

Some enterprises and cities have been falling behind on fulfilling state orders or threatening to withhold supplies in an effort to earn more money or obtain scarce consumer goods in the tattered Soviet economy.

''Authorities and managerial bodies' actions leading to disorganization of economic ties between enterprises shall be regarded as inadmissible,'' said the president's decree, carried by the official news agency Tass Thursday night.

The decree is the first under new powers to guide the economy that were given Gorbachev by the Supreme Soviet Monday.

It was unclear what effect the decree would have on the 15 republics and other local bodies that have asserted their rights to control economic decisions. The Russian republic's parliament has already come out against the increased presidential powers.

No mention was made in the Tass report of possible measures to be taken if the decree was ignored.

The decree issued Thursday orders enterprises to ''ensure the maintenance of the established economic ties and the fulfillment of contractual obligations concerning the delivery of raw and other materials and components in the fourth quarter of 1990 and in 1991.''

Gorbachev also ordered that ''in the event of necessity'' the Council of Ministers ''should introduce a special regime for the operation of railways and other all-state life-sustaining systems of the country.''

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 27) UPI - An arrest warrant was issued Thursday for actor Corey Feldman, who failed to appear in court for one of his two heroin cases because he has enrolled in a live-in drug rehabilitation program.

Superior Court Judge Gordon Ringer held the bench warrant until Oct. 31, when Feldman, 19, is scheduled to once again appear in court. Feldman, the star of such movies as ''Stand by Me,'' ''The Goonies'' and ''The Lost Boys,'' will not be arrested unless he fails to show up in court on that date.

His lawyer, Richard Hirsch, said Feldman did not appear for Thursday's pre-trial hearing because he has enrolled in the 30-day live- in program. Hirsch did not say where the program is located.

Feldman enrolled in the program following his arrest last week during which

police in North Hollywood found packets of heroin in his socks while the actor was sitting in a car whose rear window was smashed. Police were investigating whether the car was stolen.

Feldman is scheduled to be arraigned on a heroin charge stemming from that arrest on Monday. It was not known if he would seek postponement of the arraignment since he will still be in the drug rehab program.

Thursday's scheduled hearing stemmed from the actor's arrest in March for allegedly possessing 25 balloons of heroin and cocaine.

Following that arrest, Feldman also entered into and completed a drug rehabilitation program.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - Commercial bank stocks plunged across the board Thursday in heavy trading on the New York Stock Exchange, reflecting wide expectations of dismal earnings, reduced dividends and more trouble ahead.

Wall Street hammered nearly all the largest U.S. banks in a binge of selling, revealing deep doubts about the industry. Pessimism even affected stocks of banks once regarded as solid, high-performance institutions.

''Even the top tier was down,'' commented M.A. Schapiro bank analyst Stephen J. Paluszek. ''They were sold off across the board, no doubt about it.''

Troubled Bank of Boston's afternoon announcement that it will lose as much as $250 million this quarter, slash its dividend by more than two- thirds and lay off at least 1,500 employees deepened the malaise.

The heaviest loss of the day was sustained by NCNB Corp., whose stock fell by $3.25 a share to end at $20.125. The Charlotte, N.C.-based bank one day before revealed that growing problem loans would heavily cut into profits.

Among New York money center banks, Chase Manhattan Corp.'s stock fell another 1/8 point on a continuing slide since its announcement last week it was trimming its dividend by about half and cutting its work force by 5,000.

Citicorp, also expected to be hurt this quarter by a deteriorating commercial real estate loan portfolio, dropped $0.75 to $13.75. Chemical Banking Corp., also burdened with troubled loans, fell $0.875 to $14.125.

Analysts, currency traders and others said the financial marketplace was rife with rumors saying other major banks were in trouble.

''There seems to be a constant flow of rumor-sharing,'' Paluszek said. ''It's

compounding the problem. Unfortunately the public, or the investing public if you will, is a little beaten down by this.''

West Coast giant First Interstate Bancorp lost $2.25 to finish at $19.75 and rival Security Pacific Corp. dropped $1.50 to end at $19.50. BankAmerica Corp. declined $0.75 to close trading at $19.25.

Even First Wachovia Corp., the North Carolina super-regional regarded by bank analysts as an industry gem, took a hit on fears that NCNB's problems might be spreading in the region. Its stock fell $1.375 to $33.

But Edward J. Powers Jr., a bank analyst with William D. Witter, said falling stocks reflect the financial reality that ''a lot of these banks are simply undercapitalized and they have to cut their dividend.''

The annnouncement by No. 2 U.S. bank Chase that it will cut its dividend - an unthinkable move in better times past - cleared the way for others to do the same. ''If Chase can do it, everybody can do it,'' Powers said.

A rising national tide of bank failures, amid ever-stronger indications that the economy is in the grip of a recession, has produced a feeling of crisis in the banking industry that some experts say is justified.

Declared analyst Powers: ''This is a very serious situation similar to 1933,'' when President Franklin D. Roosevelt called a banking holiday and closed the nation's banks to enable them to reorganize.

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LAS VEGAS, NV (SEPT. 27) UPI - Comedian Rodney Dangerfield got some respect and $725,000 in damages Thursday from a federal court jury for eye injuries he suffered in a steam bath accident at Caesars Palace.

The panel deliberated less than one day before ordering the resort to pay the damages to the 68-year-old comedian, who has built a career around the complaint, ''I don't get no respect.''

Dangerfield had sought $5 million for injuries he testified occurred when he was hit in the eyes by a burst of steam as he entered a steam room at the resort.

The panel heard 2 1/2 weeks of testimony, then deliberated several hours Wednesday and Thursday, before announcing their decision to award Dangerfield $225,000 for performances he missed because of the eye injuries and another $500,000 for pain and suffering.

Dangerfield's attorney, Barry Landberg, maintained the comic should be paid

millions of dollars for pain he continues to suffer from a March 1988 steam bath accident at the Strip resort that burned Dangerfield's eyes and forced him to cancel several performances at the hotel.

Attorneys for Caesars Palace said the entertainer showed no signs of permanent injury and said there was no rational basis for awarding damages for personal injury.

The resort countersued, saying Dangerfield's refusal to perform violated his contract. The resort said it lost more than $100,000 in revenues because Dangerfield cancelled the shows, but the 10-member jury rejected the argument and found entirely for the comedian.

The panel ruled Caesars Palace was obligated under its contract to pay Dangerfield for the missed shows because the injury should have excused him from performing.

Dangerfield, who arrived at the federal courthouse after the verdict was read, said he was pleased with the decision and was not concerned about the amount of the award.

''I was concerned about the truth,'' he said. ''I was right, I wouldn't have gone through this unless I was right.''

He criticized Caesars' attorneys, who filed court documents suggesting Dangerfield abused alcohol and drugs. The resort attorneys tried to blame the accident on the alleged substance abuse.

The comic consistently maintained that the allegations were untrue.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 27) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday that the basic U.S. money supply, known as M1, was unchanged in the latest reporting week. The broader monetary aggregate M2 decreased by $1.6 billion, and the broadest measure of all, M3, declined by $3.9 billion.

M1, including cash, checking accounts and NOW accounts - money available for immediate spending - stood at a seasonally adjusted average of $820.7 billion in the week ended Sept. 10. It was a revised $820 billion the week before.

Over the past 13 weeks, M1 averaged $814.2 billion, up 3.9 percent from where it stood over the previous 13-week period, the central bank said.

The more broadly defined M2 averaged an estimated $3,316.1 billion in the latest week, off from a revised $3,317.7 billion. M2 includes M1 plus passbook savings, small time deposits such as money market deposit accounts, consumer

money market mutual funds and other short-term assets.

M3, defined as M2 plus large time deposits, securities repurchase agreements longer than one day at banks and thrifts, and institutional money market funds averaged $4,093.7 billion in the latest week, down from a revised $4,097.6 billion, the Fed said.

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The Bush administration early this year suggested a 17-year limit for the amount of time a farmer could receive assistance through the FmHA loans or loan guarantees.

The Senate modified the proposal to a 25-year limit during work on the new farm policy law but its negotiators agreed with the House to eliminate the idea.

During their meeting, negotiators resolved the contentious issue of whether to set a cutoff date for access to the loan writedown and buy out programs. The administration wanted bar writedowns and buy outs on any loans made after Jan. 6, 1988. The House endorsed the ''sunset'' date in a bill passed earlier this year.

Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D., said it was unwise to eliminate a program that could prove useful if hard times return. Rep. Glenn English, D- Okla., said leaving the programs open would mean ''people can ... borrow money on the assumption they won't have to paid it back.''

Conferees compromised by saying only one writedown would be allowed for loans made after the start of 1988.

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SEATTLE (SEPT. 27) UPI - A rising incidence of red tide and paralytic shellfish toxin in Puget Sound - including the recall this week of Washington oysters from restaurants and stores across the country - has hurt sales by the state's shellfish industry, officials said Thursday.

''I would say there's no question there's been an impact on sales,'' said Bill Dewey of Seattle-based Coast Oyster Co., the state's largest harvester and packer of oysters. ''I'm not sure how to put a dollar figure on it.''

State officials said some shellfish companies reported sales drops of up to 30 percent in the days immediately after the recall was announced and news accounts publicized red tide in Liberty Bay near Poulsbo.

''A 30 percent drop in a month like this, when sales are fairly minimal, doesn't have that much of an impact. But if it had happened in November, when people are getting ready for the holidays, it could have really hurt,'' Dewey said.

Oyster companies harvested and packed more than 8.9 million pounds of bivalves worth more than $231 million, in 1989, according to Tim Smith, spokesman for the Pacific Coast Shellfish Growers Association. Another 4.25 million pounds of clams were harvested, worth about $9.6 million.

Bivalves such as oysters, clams and mussles develop a paralytic toxin after straining seawater containing the blooming algae that creates a red tide.

Smith said the state's shellfish industry continues to expand despite the increasing frequency of red tide in Puget Sound waters. But he conceded that active algae blooms and, worse, the forced recall of shellfish contaminated by paralytic toxin drives sales down in the short term.

''It seems to happen more often, but the market drops don't seem to last as long,'' he said. ''I don't know why for sure, but people stop eating shellfish after a scare, but they start again much more quickly than they used to.''

Terry Walker, field operations supervisor for the state Health Department's shellfish program, offered an opinion that shellfish markets recover more quickly than previously after red tide alerts or shellfish recalls because of better consumer education efforts.

''People are more aware that only shellfish in certain water bodies are affected at a given time and that red tide is not all over the Sound,'' he

said.

The algae blooms that give rise to red tide have moved slowly southward since the first serious bloom appeared in the north sound in 1978, Walker said. Both the number of blooms and the expanse of red tide into previously clear bays and inlets has adversely affected the shellfish industry, he said.

''What it means for the industry is that it is more important than ever to submit shellfish samples for testing,'' he said.

Walker said Coast Oyster Co. harvested and shipped oysters for two weeks or more without submitting a test sample to the Health Department. When a test was taken, it revealed paralytic shellfish toxin - initiating a recall of oysters shipped to outlets in Washington and 17 other states.

''They didn't submit a sample to the lab,'' Walker said of Coast Oyster Co. ''I don't know why; they just didn't.''

John Petrie, president of Coast Oyster, was in his Seattle office Thursday but was ''not available to talk'' to a reporter, a secretary said.

Walker said red tide and shellfish poisoning are more often reported these days, because consumers are better educated and because the state and shellfish companies have stepped up monitoring of potential areas of red tide.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - Energy Secretary Watkins says the price of oil will continue to rise as long as Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein continues to make threats. Watkins told a congressional hearing today that as long as Hussein ''opens his mouth''- as Watkins put it- the price of oil will skyrocket. Lawmakers say they will move to triple to 15-Million barrels a test oil sale from U-S strategic petroleum reserve.

Secretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze say they are making progress toward an arms control agreement. Baker and and his Soviet counterpart met for two hours in New York today before adjourning to consult with their allies. The two also met yesterday, talking about issues that ranged from strategic arms reduction to Afghanistan.

A judge says Exxon and its shipping subsidiary are liable for the damages caused by the wreck of the Exxon Valdez in Alaska last year. The state superior court judge says it does NOT matter who is to blame for the nation's worst oil spill. Today's ruling in Anchorage did NOT address the amount of damages... only whether the oil company can be held liable for them.

Paper companies are disputing government findings that their mills are

discharging waste water into streams and contaminating fish with hazardous dioxin levels. Industry officials say the Environmental Protection Agency relied on outdated information in assessing health risks from dioxin residues that result from the bleaching process used to make white paper.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - Former Algerian President Ahmed Ben Bella sailed to his homeland today after nine years in exile. Upon his arrival in the port of Algiers, the 74-year-old Ben Bella immediately urged President Chadli Bendjedid to dissolve the government and appoint an interim administration to hold early general elections. Police say some 50-thousand people were on hand to welcome Ben Bella home.

Zambia's ruling party today nominated President Kenneth Kaunda to run in the nation's first free elections since 1972. The vote by the United National Independence Party's 600-strong council followed a concession by Kaunda to phase out the single-party system. The president accepted the nomination and told the party session that he wanted a peaceful transition to a multi-party democracy.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - The University of California says classes will continue as usual, despite a bizarre hostage drama that left one student dead and others sexually abused. Police say the gunman who caused the seven hours of terror for 33 hostages at a bar near the university campus was wanted by San Francisco police on grand theft charges. Police stormed the bar early today, killing the heavily armed gunman.

The Pentagon says an American warship in the Red Sea today fired warning shots across the bow of an Iraqi oil tanker that would NOT stop for inspection. A spokesman says Navy and Coast Guard officials boarded the tanker but allowed it to continue on its way when NO cargo was found. It was the fourth time a U-S warship has fired warning shots near ships in Middle East waters.

New Hampshire judge David Souter says he's ''gratified'' that the Senate Judiciary Committee today voted to endorse his nomination to the Supreme Court. Souter was in New Hampshire at the time of the vote. He would become the 105th member of the high court if the full Senate votes in favor of his nomination, possibly next week. Democrats called Souter ''about the best we can expect'' from President Bush.

Neil Bush says he never felt any conflict of interest while serving as a director of the failed Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan. President Bush's son testified today in Denver in the first public hearing by the Office of

Thrift Supervision into the collapse of a savings and loan. The agency is reviewing allegations that the younger Bush acted improperly during his term as director of the S-and-L.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - Investigators in Jacksonville, Florida, say a Navy wife arrested on charges of buying a baby for three-thousand dollars may have been conducting the illegal trade for a while. Police say Nellie Cutright is suspecting of buying and selling as many as 10 children from her home. The woman is being held on 50-thousand-dollar bond.

Researchers say an experimental drug may prevent the hair loss many cancer patients experience when they undergo chemotherapy. A research team from Florida and Colorado report successful results from their tests on young rats. The researchers say it's NOT yet known if the drug will work on humans.

The House has passed and sent to President Bush a bill to compensate hundreds of Americans who became UNwitting victims of the nation's nuclear weapons build-up during the Cold War. The measure sets aside a 100-Million-dollar trust fund to pay damage claims to cancer victims whose disease can be traced to radiation exposure... either from fallout from atomic weapons tests in Nevada or to their work mining uranium for nuclear bombs.

The nation's Health and Human Services secretary addressed one of the nation's larger medical concerns at an international conference today in Atlanta. Louis Sullivan warns that the terrible effect of AIDS on minorities and children is enough to justify the three-and-a-half- BILLION dollars requested for AIDS programs by the White House in 1991. In Sullivan's words- ''we are losing the next generation of leaders.''

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#90270u2459 09/27/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 27) UPI - The Senate Judiciary Committee today endorsed David Souter's nomination to the Supreme Court with a 13 Biden of Delaware called the New Hampshire jurist ''about the best we can expect'' from President Bush. Biden joined with seven other Democrats in approving the nomination. The full Senate is expected to confirm Souter, possibly next week.

The State Department says Iraq now says it did NOT intend to threaten foreign diplomats in Baghdad in an earlier warning note. The department says Iraqi officials made the denial to the U-S charge d'affaires in Baghdad. The denial follows an angry response from Western nations reacting to Iraq's warning to diplomats that hiding foreigners could be punishable by death.

Police in Berkeley, California, say the gunman who killed one person and

wounded six others during a seven-hour hostage seige was ''undergoing some kind of psychotic episode.'' Officials say Merdhad Dashti apparently was angry at the U-S government for NOT giving him financial aid to attend the university. Police fatally shot the gunman this morning when they stormed the hotel bar where he was terrorizing 33 hostages.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry met with protesting students today at the University of the District of Columbia... where 100 demonstrators are holding a sit-in. Barry says he'll ask 11 Board of Trustees members and one student board member to resign in response to student demands. The students have 20 demands- including the resignations of the board of trustee members.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - A jury of four men and four women will decide whether a Cincinnati art gallery and its director violated obscenity laws by showing photographs by the late Robert Mapplethorpe. The jury was seated today following four days of cross-questioning by defense and prosecution lawyers. The Ohio case marks the first time an arts institution has been charged with obscenity.

A judge in Santa Ana, California, today extended the temporary custody of an eight-day-old baby boy to his genetic parents. The judge also reduced the visitation rights for the infant's surrogate mother to reduce the child's ''stress.'' The UNprecedented case centers on whether a surrogate mother has any parental right to a child with whom she shares NO genetic link. NO final decision was made during today's hearing.

The Navy says it has recovered the bottom half of a cargo door that fell to the Pacific Ocean floor after tearing off a United Airlines jet last year. The door section was found last night by a deep-sea submarine crew prowling waters off Honolulu. Federal investigators will examine the door to make a final determination of the cause of the accident that killed nine people.

If you're anxious to kick the nicotine habit, you may want to consider life in Montana or Minnesota. Federal health officials say quitting smoking appears to come easiest to people in those two states. On the other side of the coin, the habit dies hardest in Kentucky and the nation's capital. The report is based on figures from the U-S Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - A Los Angeles-bound Midway Airlines plane was forced to return to Chicago's Midway Airport after the jetliner lost cabin pressure at 30- thousand feet. 12 of the 83 passengers were treated at hospitals for ear and sinus problems.

Police in Kingston, Massachusetts, are preparing to dig up the back yard of a church deacon charged with killing a 13-year-old neighbor girl and burying her body in his basement. Authorities suspect that 52-year- old Henry Meinholz may have buried more bodies in the yard. He has pleaded innocent to the slaying.

An eight-year-old Soviet boy who was critically burned in an accident last week arrived at the Shriners Hospitals in Galveston, Texas, today. The boy's medical evacuation was a first from Soviet Far East to the United States.

A Los Angeles judge today issued an arrest warrant for actor Corey Feldman, who failed to appear in court for one of his two heroin cases. The lawyer for the 19-year-old Feldman says his client did NOT show up for the pre-trial hearing because he has enrolled in a live-in drug rehabilitation program.

A convicted drug dealer is back in jail after taking possibly the longest lunch break in Houston's history. 24-year-old Eduardo Onofre vanished September 10th after the judge let him go to lunch. He was re- arrested Tuesday. In his absence, Onofre was sentenced to 45 years in prison.

A researcher at the University of Warwick in Coventry, England, says British naturalist Charles Darwin... the father of the evolutionary theory... may have suffered from the ''yuppie flu.'' Darwin suffered from a debilitating illness in his 20's that has been the subject of much speculation.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - .

Officials say the United States and the Soviet Union are close to an agreement on limiting conventional forces in Europe. Secretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze both described their meeting in New York today as ''good progress.'' The treaty would limit European-based personnel, aircraft, helicopters and armored vehicles by about 50 percent in each category.

The State Department says another U-S citizen has been rounded up in Kuwait, bringing to 101 the number of detained Americans in Iraq and Kuwait. A department spokesman says Iraq has ignored repeated requests for information about the detainees. But the spokesman says eight Americans held by Iraq- including one with medical problems- have been spotted at a hotel in Baghdad.

Bi-partisan budget negotiators are expected to burn the midnight oil again tonight in an effort to come up with a still-elusive budget agreement. Sources say Democrats came up with a new proposal today that would limit the amount of federal deductions wealthy Americans could claim. It's NOT clear how the Republicans reacted. The deadline for reaching an agreement is Monday, the

first day of fiscal year 1991.

A church deacon in Kingston, Massachusetts... charged with killing a young neighbor and burying her in his basement... has been ordered to undergo psychiatric testing. And police are preparing to dig up the yard of Henry Meinholz to search for more bodies. The 52-year-old book-keeper was arrested yesterday in the death of 13-year-old Melissa Benoit, who disappeared September 15th while going to visit her father's grave.

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(SEPT. 27) UPI - The National Football League says it will appoint a counsel to investigate allegations by a reporter that she was sexually harassed in the locker room of the New England Patriots. Boston Herald sports writer Lisa Olson says during the September 17th incident, receiver Zeke Mowatt suggested she perform oral sex on him. According to Olson, the naked Mowatt came up close to her as she sat on a bench and made the suggestion.

Comedian Rodney Dangerfield got some respect today. A federal court in Las Vegas awarded Dangerfield 725-thousand dollars in damages for eye injuries he suffered in a steam bath accident at Caesars Palace. Dangerfield was seeking five-Million dollars. The panel heard two-and- one-half weeks of testimony and deliberated for less than one day before deciding in the comedian's favor.

In an interview that will air this weekend in Britain, Salman Rushdie says his life has been hell since he went into hiding 19 months ago. The Indian-born British author says he did NOT intend to insult or abuse people in writing ''The Satanic Verses.'' The novel resulted in a Iran's late spiritual leader issuing a death decree against the novelist.

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CAMPBELL, CA (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Touch Communications, the leading Silicon Valley-based pioneer in OSI networking, Friday announced that it will begin concentrated sales and marketing efforts in the European OSI market.

This announcement follows the signing of remarketing agreements with six key partners: Datakom in Germany and Austria, Interdata in France, Industrade in Switzerland, Integralis in United Kingdom, Cidisa in Spain and Portugal, and Primeur in Italy.

''In signing these partners Touch was looking for highly skilled companies with a high potential for growth,'' said Col Rada, director of international sales and marketing.

''These are sophisticated resellers with a variety of strengths in the areas

of network management, messaging, LANs and WANs. Our relationships with these partners will be a multi-stage effort resulting in the establishment of Touch subsidiaries in Europe to handle marketing, sales and technical support for our partners.''

''Companies interested in doing OSI business worldwide must have strong technology and development partners as well as sales channels,'' said Rada. ''Touch began its international OSI efforts by first establishing strategic joint OSI technology development agreements with Marben Produit, France and DCL, Japan.''

With the Europe of 1992 in sight, Touch Communications and its European Remarketers are introducing a new product distribution marketing concept, The International Referral Program.

Under this program, all Touch's LAN e-mail partners, every European distributor of messaging products, systems integrators, as well as VARs can participate with Touch's Remarketers in the Worldtalk 400 marketing program.

The purpose of this program is to provide partners with complete messaging solution offerings and create strategic positioning with the heads of the MIS departments of multi-national corporations.

Worldtalk 400 allows all of these ''Referral Partners'' to offer an integrated enterprise-wide messaging solution to their customers. Touch Communications' Remarketers will offer the Worldtalk 400 products, services and support either directly, or via the Referring Partners to their customers.

Touch's Remarketers will also provide full local marketing, sales, technical support and maintenance.

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NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Nationwide Health Properties Inc. (NYSE:NHP) announced Friday the acquisition of 12 long-term care facilities in Texas for $22 million.

Concurrent with the purchase, the company entered into a lease agreement with ARA Living Centers of Texas Inc. to operate the facilities.

''We are pleased with this transaction,'' said R. Bruce Andrews, president and chief executive officer. ''These are good properties and ARA, the largest privately owned operator of long-term care facilities, will be an excellent tenant. In addition, this transaction will immediately add to Nationwide's

earnings and cash flow.''

The health care facilities are located throughout Texas and contain 1300 beds. ARA has been operating the facilities for approximately 10 years under previous agreements with the former, individual owners of the properties. ARA operates over 200 long-term care facilities in the United States including over 100 in the state of Texas.

Nationwide Health Properties Inc. is a real estate investment trust that invests in health care facilities. The company currently owns 94 facilities in 23 states.

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SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The possible purchase of the Robinson Mining District near Ely, Nev. moved closer Friday when Alta Gold Co. (NASDAQ:ALTA) and Magma Copper Co. (AMEX:MCU) signed an agreement as follow-up to a letter of intent which was signed by the companies last month.

Under terms of the agreement, Magma purchased $4 million of restricted Alta Gold stock at $3.29 per share. With the $1.5 million of Alta's restricted stock purchased on Aug. 27 from treasury, Magma now holds 1,671,180 shares, representing six percent of the outstanding shares of Alta Gold.

The original letter of intent called for Magma to purchase an undivided 15 percent interest in gold operations at the Robinson District from Alta Gold for $4 million. However, that aspect was amended in the agreement in lieu of the stock purchase in the same amount.

Should the two parties proceed with the eventual purchase of the 12,000-acre Robinson District from Kennecott Corp. by Dec. 14, the stock purchased by Magma for $1.5 million will be redeemed by Alta at no cost, and the additional $4 million Magma has invested in Alta's stock may be applied to Magma's acquisition of an interest in the Robinson gold operations.

Dan S. Bushnell, Alta Gold chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''We are very pleased that solid progress is being made with Magma Copper Co. as we jointly pursue the purchase of the Robinson District.''

Magma, the major copper producer headquartered in San Manuel, Ariz., has one of the most modern copper smelters in the nation and sees the Robinson copper reserves as important to future operations.

Magma is continuing with its exhaustive feasibility study of the Robinson

District, and has recently completed its drilling program. It is anticipated that testing and analysis will be completed by the end of October as Magma prepares its final decision on whether to proceed with the purchase option by Nov. 15.

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Alta Gold, Salt Lake City
George Young, 801/483-1116.

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AKRON, OHIO (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - September 28, 1990 -- A. Schulman, Inc. said it repurchased today 375,000 shares of its common stock from the Trustees of the Trust for Irene Kornhauser, one of the Company's major shareholders.

The Company said it paid $8,337,500, or $22.233 per share, which represents the average closing price of the stock on NASDAQ on September 24, 25, and 26, less $1.35 per share.

The Company also has approval of its Board of Directors to repurchase up to 2,250,000 of its common shares. No stock has been repurchased pursuant to this authorization.

A. Schulman, Inc., based in Akron, is a leading international supplier of high performance plastic compounds and resins.

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Robert A. Stefanko, 216/666-3751

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Short-Term Investments Co. - Treasury Taxadvantage Portfolio money market fund is rated triple-'Am-G' by S&P, based on the fund's sound management and the high credit quality parameters placed on its investment portfolio.

The fund invests exclusively in direct U.S. Treasury obligations.

Shares were initially offered in August.

The portfolio is managed AIM Advisors Inc. of Houston.

The triple-'Am' rating on the shares of a money market fund indicates that the fund has a superior capacity to maintain principal value and limit exposure to

loss. The 'G' designation indicates that the fund invests exclusively in direct U.S. Treasury obligations.

When rating a money market fund, S&P reviews portfolio credit quality, liquidity, and management practices and policies.

CONTACT: Russell Long, 212/208-1828.

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SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Research Industries Corp. (NASDAQ:REIC) Friday announced that it has just closed September with record revenues for the month.

This record high monthly performance, in conjunction with greater than anticipated sales in July and August, have generated an all-time high first quarter sales performance for the corporation. ''On the basis of this strong revenue performance, we should see a first quarter earnings increase in the range of 50 percent to 60 percent over the same quarter last year, which is in line with or perhaps may exceed our earlier expectations,'' said Gary L. Crocker, president.

The company expects to report its complete quarterly financial results during the third week of October.

Research Industries Corp. is a diversified biomedical firm specializing in the development, manufacture and sale of hospital disposable products for open-heart surgery and specialty pharmaceuticals. Research Industries' common stock is traded over the counter, NASDAQ, National Market System, with the symbol REIC.

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CARLSBAD, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--International Totalizator Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ITSI) is taking this opportunity to address its shareholders and members of the investment community regarding market valuation and confidence.

James Walters, chairman, chief executive officer and president, said: ''The current market price of ITS common stock does not reflect the long-term growth prospects of the company. Clearly, confidence in the market has been shaken for many reasons, the majority of which we feel are not accurately related to the condition or activities of the company.

''Historically, the wagering industry has been insensitive to economic distress such as inflation or recession.''

Based on several sets of criteria, the current issue of California Business Magazine identifies ITS as number 37 out of the 100 best small companies in the state. The magazine calculated the three-year annual sales growth rate for ITS as over 46 percent. The widely noted Dow Theory Forecasts' Low Priced Stock Survey includes ITS as one of the small cap companies it recommends as a best buy.

And while the financial community is looking for companies to broaden their base to other parts of the world as a means of diversification and hedge on the dollar, ITS has been a dominant factor in its international markets for some time.

Additionally, ITS is positioning itself as a product innovator in the newly emerging market segment for airline satellite ticket printers and by continued development of its existing product lines.

In summary, the management of International Totalizator Systems Inc. continues to devote its full efforts and resources to the enhancement of long-term company growth and increased market valuation, thereby maximizing the return on investment for ITS shareholders.

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Karen Patchen, 619/931-4027

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The U.S. Army has awarded Computer Sciences Corp. (NYSE: CSC) a $15.3 million contract to develop and demonstrate its version of a reserve component automation system (RCAS).

The award is the first phase of a three-phase competitive run-off for a contract with a potential value of $1 billion.

RCAS will provide the Army an important capability as it adjusts its active component manpower downward to fit lower budgets. It will enable the rapid mobilization of the Army National Guard and Army Reserve in reponse to national emergencies, and also serve the peacetime functions of these organizations.

CSC heads one of two teams competing for the contract. The total program calls for developing the system design and necessary custom software, furnishing the commercial hardware and software required, and deploying the complete information system to some 5,000 sites.

In the first phase, lasting approximately a year, the teams will develop and demonstrate their system designs. In phase two, the Army expects to select one prime contractor to develop and field the critical mobilization and logistics elements of RCAS to all the sites over a three-year period.

In the third phase, spanning eight years, that contractor will expand RCAS with a number of additional administrative functions. CSC estimates the value of the program at about $1 billion over the 12-year period.

CSC's Integrated Systems Division will lead the company's work through its Moorestown, N.J., headquarters. Its team members are American Management Systems Inc. and Systems Research and Applications Corp., both of Arlington, Va., and Data General Corp. of Westboro, Mass.

With revenues of $1.5 billion and more than 21,000 employees, CSC is the largest independent professional services company in the computer industry. It is a major supplier of computer and communications systems and services to government and industry.

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DENVER (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Colorado National Bankshares Inc. (NASDAQ:COLC) Friday filed a shelf registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a proposed public offering of notes of up to $30 million.

The notes may be offered in one or more series, on a delayed basis, pursuant to Rule 415 of the Securities Act of 1933. Boettcher & Co., a division of Kemper Securities Group Inc., is underwriter for the offering.

Colorado National Bankshares Inc. is a Denver-based bank holding company which owns 21 commercial banks, an insurance agency, a mortgage company and a leasing company. It is also manager and 50 percent owner of Rocky Mountain BankCard Systems Inc., a national credit card issuer and one of the largest processors of credit card transactions in the country.

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James L. Basey, 303/629-1968

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TULSA, Okla.(SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Tulsa-based ONEOK Inc. (NYSE:OKE) announced Friday that it has settled another take-or-pay lawsuit out of court.

AMOCO Production Co. had filed the lawsuit in the District Court of Blaine County on Oct. 12, 1989, that asserted claims in excess of $10.3 million. The claims were for natural gas wells in various counties in Oklahoma.

Terms of the settlement were not disclosed.

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LONG BEACH, CA (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Jack J. Schoustra, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of The Earth Technology Corporation (USA) (NASDAQ:ETCO), Friday announced that the executive committee of the board of directors had authorized the purchase from time to time on the open market of up to 50,000 shares of the company's common stock.

Earth Technology presently has 3,160,063 shares outstanding.

Schoustra stated that at current price levels management considers the company's common stock to be undervalued and the re-purchase of shares a prudent use of corporate funds.

The Earth Technology Corporation (USA) is a 20-year-old technical services consulting organization specializing in the analysis of complex environmental and engineering problems for government and private industry.

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LA HABRA, CA (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Landmark Bancorp (NASDAQ:LMBC) has approved the purchase of its own common stock from time to time in the open market and within applicable legal restrictions.

The decision to purchase any stock would be for the purpose of maintaining stockholder values.

Landmark Bancorp, through its principal subsidiary, Landmark Bank, operates through four locations in Los Angeles and Orange County.

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Kevin P. Hanifin, 213/694-6537 or 714/739-1511

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NAPA, CA (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Napa Valley Bancorp (NASDAQ:NVBC), declared a quarterly cash dividend on its common stock of 8 cents per share payable Nov. 10 to shareholders of record Oct. 15.

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Bryan C. Hansen, 707/257-4900

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FREMONT, CA (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Everex Systems Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:EVRX) Friday announced that its major shareholder, Hong-Kong-based Gatcombe Corp., recently communicated its current intention to maintain its share ownership of Everex at 20 percent or greater of Everex's issued and outstanding common shares.

Gatcombe has also advised Everex that should it want to reduce its stake from the current 21.4 percent to a position closer to 20 percent through public sales, it would do so within the existing Everex officer stock trading window. This window commences on the third trading day following the announcement of quarterly results and closes 10 trading days afterwards.

Everex Systems, with headquarters in Fremont, is a leading manufacturer of personal computers and peripherals. Founded in 1983, Everex markets its products worldwide through a network of value-added dealers and resellers.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Pacific Telesis Group board of directors Friday approved a third quarter dividend of $0.505 per share.

The dividend will be paid on Nov. 1 to shareowners of record as of Oct. 10.

Pacific Telesis is a worldwide diversified telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco. The corporation is listed on the New York, Pacific and Midwest stock exchanges as PAC and on the London and Swiss exchanges as Pacific Telesis.

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PALO ALTO, CA (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Varian Associates Inc. (NYSE:VAR) Friday announced that it has completed the sale of its former Continental Electronics unit in Dallas to a newly formed subsidiary of Tech-Sym Corp. to be known as Continental Electronics Corp.

The amount value of the transaction, which was first announced in early August is approximately $20 million, including assumed liabilities.

Houston-based Tech-Sym makes and markets a variety of advanced electronic systems and components. Continental Electronics Corp., which manufactures high power radio frequency transmitters, will continue to be located in Dallas.

Varian's sale of Continental Electronics is part of a restructuring program announced last spring under which the company indicated it would dispose of a number of non-core businesses and product lines.

Varian is a diversified high-technology company with sales in excess of $1 billion annually. Headquartered in Palo Alto, it produces components and systems for medical, communications, scientific, industrial, and defense markets worldwide.

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COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Federal Electric Corp., a subsidiary of ITT and a division of ITT Defense, Friday announced relocation and selection of new headquarters facilities in Colorado Springs.

FEC, a multi-national corporation, is a 45-year leader in providing worldwide technical and support services to government and private industry.

Effective immediately, the company will be known as ITT Federal Services Corp. In February 1990, the company announced the move of its headquarters from Paramus, N.J., to Colorado Springs, where it has consolidated operations with FELEC Services Inc., one of its operating subsidiaries.

John R. Spearing, ITT Federal Services president, said, ''We have undertaken this action to increase our operational efficiency and to be strategically located and competitively postured to respond to future service industry

growth opportunities.''

The decision to move from the east coast after 45 years was an integral part of the company's goal to streamline operations, to enhance key customer relationships and to pursue new business opportunities. ITT Federal Services employs more than 5,000 people globally. One of the company's customers in the Colorado Springs area is the U.S. Air Force Space Command.

ITT Federal Services Corp. is a unit of ITT Defense, which has its headquarters in Arlington, Va. ITT Defense is a leading supplier of high technology command control and communications, electronic defense, electro-optical and surveillance systems and related services for the United States and allied nations.

The ITT Corp. is a diversified, multinational company that manufactures and sells automotive, electronic components, fluid technology, defense, space and natural resources products, and provides and sells insurance, hotel, financial communication, information and community development services. The company also has a 30 percent interest in the world's largest telecommunications manufacturing company, Alcatel, N.V.

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&E Corp. (ASE:ATW) Friday announced that its initial market trial of the RECEPTOR Personal Communications System (PCS) in the Portland, Ore. area has successfully demonstrated both the system's technical viability and its market acceptance among current paging subscribers as well as first time users.

The Portland market trial is the first commercial test of the RECEPTOR PCS following independent and favorable evaluation of AT&E's proprietary technology and market research by multinational companies, including Seiko Corp., Bell Atlantic Corp., Cincinnati Bell Inc. and Groupe France Telecom. These multinational companies subsequently made significant equity investments in AT&E.

As a result of the completion of its initial technology and product development, and as part of its new strategy, AT&E henceforth will direct its efforts towards entering into joint ventures, partnerships, technology and license agreements and other forms of regional collaboration with leading operating companies in the communications industry.

AT&E will benefit from such strategic alliances as its partners devote their broad range of resources to operating the RECEPTOR PCS and to building and

serving the system's subscriber base in specified regions.

Extensive testing and demonstration of the RECEPTOR PCS in certain European and Asian countries have already been concluded while testing of the system in markets outside Portland will continue throughout the remainder of 1990.

As the Portland market trial continues to progress, AT&E expects that the RECEPTOR Personal Messaging Service will begin to be commercially introduced in other domestic markets during 1991 upon the establishment of operating or financial alliances. Discussions and negotiations continue to progress with potential U.S. and foreign partners that have expressed interest in participating in the RECEPTOR project.

Pursuant to its new strategic direction, AT&E has implemented a plan, effective Oct. 1, that will streamline the corporate organization and significantly lower operating and marketing expenses. Under the plan, which is aimed at heightening efficiencies, AT&E will consolidate its Financial Services, Accounting, MIS and Planning functions as well as its Legal, Administrative and Human Resources departments.

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GLENDALE, Calif. (SEPT 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Pollution Research and Control Corp. (NASDAQ:PRCC) reported Friday a loss of $1.25 million, or 43 cents per share, on revenues of $5.4 million, compared with net income of $443,000, or 24 cents per share, on revenues of $4.6 million for the 1989 fiscal year.

Albert E. Gosselin Jr., president and chief executive officer grimaces, ''It's a war out there,'' he said. ''For the past 20 years we have survived and outlasted eight out of 10 larger competitors. we did it by superior technology -- even though some of them were 50-to-100 times larger than we.

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BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OH (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Riser Foods Inc. (ASE:RSR) Monday announced its fourth-quarter and fiscal 1990 results, which showed the continued strong trend of improved earnings over last year as previously reported.

Riser's results for its fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, a twelve (12)-week quarter which ended June 30, 1990, showed net income of $2.4 million, or 30 cents per common share, on sales of $237.7 million, as compared to a loss of $5.3 million, or 67 cents per common share, on sales of $248.8 million last year.

Riser reported net income of $8.3 million, or $1.02 per common share, on sales of $1.1 billion for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, as compared to a net loss of $12.7 million, or $1.62 per common share, on sales of $1.1 billion for the fiscal year ended July 1, 1989.

Riser's current year's results include an extraordinary income item of $1.1 million, or 15 cents per share, for the fourth quarter and $2.7 million, or 34 cents per share, for the fiscal year, which represented the utilization of a portion of the company's federal income tax net operating loss carryforward.

These extraordinary items partially offset Riser's income tax provisions for each period, which amounted to $1.6 million and $4.2 million, respectively. No credit provision for income taxes was recorded in the prior year due to limitations on the carryback of fiscal 1989 losses.

The company also noted that the 1989 fourth-quarter and fiscal year results were negatively impacted by an extraordinary item totalling $5.7 million, or 72 cents per share, which was due to a litigation settlement.

Riser attributed its improved earnings to management's diligence in reducing administrative overhead and controlling operating expenditures, coupled with better management of operating margins. Riser noted that much of the pressures and problems associated with last year's merger contributed significantly to the prior year's losses.

Riser was created with the combination of successful privately held companies (Rini supermarkets, Rego supermarkets and American Seaway Foods) and publicly

held, financially troubled Fisher Foods.

Riser operates 50 supermarkets in Northeastern Ohio under the Rini-Rego Stop-N-Shop and Carl's format, one deep discount store, a wholesale distribution business (American Seaway Foods), a food service division (Seaway Food Services) and an ice cream manufacturing operation (Eagle Ice Cream).

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MIAMI (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - CIRC ACQUISITION CORP. Friday announced that they have executed a contract to purchase a jai-alai fronton located in Seminole County, which is currently owned by the Florida Jai-Alai Inc.

Florida Jai-Alai is currently owned by the Estate of the late Stepehn A. Calder, who founded Calder Race Course Inc.

Hort Soper is the Personal Representative of the Calder Estate and is currently President of Florida Jai-Alai.

The sole owners of CIRC ACQUISITION CORP. are Bertram and Diana Firestone, who in addition own Catoctin International Racing Corp.; Gulfstream Park in Hallandale; and Calder Race Course Inc. and Tropical Park Inc. in Miami.

In making the acquisition, CIRC ACQUISITION intends to be able to broadcast live thoroughbred racing into the central Florida area as a result of the new inter-track wagering bill passed by the Legislature in 1990.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Pay-Fone Systems Inc., Los Angeles, (ASE:PYF), a national payroll service company, announced its year-end revenues of $5,503,930 and net loss of $202,151, or 13 cents per share, for the year ending June 30, 1990, as compared with revenues of $6,021,626 and a net income of $37,972 for the year ending June 30, 1989.

Pay-Fone Systems, founded in 1955, originated automated payroll processing by telephone and provides payroll checks and all necessary payroll tax returns and reports via client-controlled data transmitted by telephone.

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BELLEVUE, WA (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Thousand Trails Inc. (OTC:TRLS) Friday announced that it has filed a Notification of Late Filing for its annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 1990.

The company's independent accountants have not completed their audit of the financial statements for the current year, because they have not had adequate time to evaluate the effects of certain subsequent events occurring after the completion of their field work. Therefore, the accountants have not yet issued their auditors report. Preliminary results are set forth below:

Net earnings for the year ended June 30, 1990, were $2 million, or 8 cents per share, on total revenues of $100.1 million. This compares to net earnings of $9.9 million, or 41 cents per share, on total revenues of $94.3 million for the year ended June 30, 1989.

Earnings declined in the current year because of an increase in the company's provision for doubtful accounts, higher general and administrative costs, and lower margins from resort operations and membership sales. The earnings in fiscal 1990 included an extraordinary gain of $2.4 million, or 10 cents per share, resulting from extinguishment of debt in connection with a settlement between San Jacinto Savings Association and Southmark Corp. arising out of Southmark's bankruptcy reorganization. San Jacinto is the company's majority shareholder and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Southmark.

The earnings in 1989 included an extraordinary gain from the utilization of tax loss carryforwards of $2.9 million, or 12 cents per share. All tax loss carryforwards for financial statement purposes were fully utilized at June 30, 1989.

The company expects to file its annual report on Form 10-K on or before Oct. 15, 1990.

Thousand Trails Inc. operates one of the largest membership-based destination campground resort systems in the United States. The company owns, operates and sells memberships in a network of 39 campground resorts in 15 states and in British Columbia, Canada. Over 100,000 families are members.

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WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA (SEPT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Sherman L. Andelson, chairman of the board of BKLA Bancorp, Friday announced the appointment of Mark E. Buchman as a director of the company and its subsidiary, Bank of Los Angeles, at a board meeting held Sept. 27.

Buchman, who was named as president and chief executive officer of the West Hollywood, Calif.-based bank in August, also serves in that capacity for the

parent company.

''President Buchman brings new energy to the bank's senior management team and a high level of motivation for his direct involvement as a member of the board of directors,'' Andelson said.

Buchman comes to Bank of Los Angeles with over 26 years of banking experience, and most recently served as president of the Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae) during the second term of the Reagan administration.

Founded in 1982, Bank of Los Angeles markets business and retail financial products from its regional offices in West Hollywood, Beverly Hills and Hollywood.

BKLA Bancorp common stock, symbol BKLA, is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System and on the Western OTC.

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PHOENIX (SEPT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - BankAmerica Corporation Friday announced that it has agreed to acquire the Arizona retail branch system and certain assets and liabilities of MeraBank Federal Savings Bank from the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) and will begin operating them on Monday, October 1, as part of Bank of America Arizona.

Headquartered in Phoenix, MeraBank has 66 branches in Arizona. It is the largest savings and loan in Arizona, and the state's third largest financial institution.

Services to MeraBank's customers will continue without interruption when offices open as Bank of America Arizona on Monday, October 1. ''This move underscores our expectation that Arizona will play an increasingly important role in the economy of the western United States,'' said BankAmerica Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Richard M. Rosenberg. ''We're pleased to be strengthening our presence throughout the state, as a natural extension of the service we began when we acquired Western Savings' branches in June.''

Under the terms of the transaction, Bank of America Arizona will acquire approximately $3.5 billion in deposits and about $470 million in consumer loans. It has the option to return the loans to the RTC within a certain timeframe. MeraBank's other loans and subsidiaries were not included in the transaction.

The Resolution Trust Corporation accepted a bid from Bank of America Arizona

of a $92 million premium.

Bank of America Arizona began operations on June 1, 1990, when it acquired the retail network of Western Savings and Loan Association. Currently, it has 61 branches in Arizona and one in Utah. ''We're rapidly becoming a significant part of the Arizona community,'' said David Hanna, president of Bank of America Arizona. ''This acquisition allows us to fill out our branch network within the Phoenix area and broaden our reach beyond Maricopa County. It's good for us and for our customers.''

Bank of America Arizona is a subsidiary of BankAmerica Corporation and reports to Vice Chairman Thomas E. Peterson, head of the Consumer Banking Group.

BankAmerica also currently has 855 branches in California, 200 in Washington, 66 in Oregon, 16 in Nevada, nine in Idaho and two in Utah, and 59 branches and representative offices in 41 countries.

BankAmerica Corporation is the nation's second largest bank holding company and, in 1989, posted record earnings of $1.1 billion. As of the end of the second quarter of 1990, BankAmerica had the highest common equity capital ratio of the ten largest U.S. banking companies and had assets of $104 billion, deposits of $86 billion, and loans of $80.6 billion.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Innovations Inc. (NASDAQ:MIXX), common stock, (NASDAQ:MIXXW), class A warrants and (NASDAQ:MIXXZ), class B warrants, Friday announced extension of the exercise period for the company's class A warrants through April 30, 1991.

The warrants were formerly due to expire Sept. 30.

The class A warrants were first issued for trading in the over-the-counter market Nov. 30, 1988, separately and as units with shares of common stock and class B warrants, and were admitted on the NASDAQ Exchange June 23, 1989.

Each class A warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of Medical Innovations Inc. common stock for $1.50. The class B warrants expire on Sept. 30, 1991 and carry an exercise price of $2.25. Neither the class A nor class B warrants are currently exercisable.

Medical Innovations Inc. specializes in providing Home Infusion Care

(intravenous therapies) especially for immunosuppressed patients (i.e. cancer and AIDS), and through innovation has become one of the leaders in developing care protocols for these patients. Company operations are located in Houston; Livingston, N.J. (the New York metropolitan area); and Richmond, Va.

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MILPITAS, CALIF. (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Qume Corp., Friday announced that the proposed acquisition by David S. Lee, the company's chairman and chief executive officer, Wearne Brothers Ltd. and related entities, and certain other stockholders and investors (the ''Buying Group'') had been approved by its stockholders but was not expected to close.

According to preliminary results, the vote on the proposal was 7,616,047 votes in favor (of which 5,535,310 votes consisted of votes of stockholders other than the Buying Group), 77,323 votes against and 36,565 votes abstaining. The required vote for approval was the affirmative vote of at least 5,643,188 shares and the affirmative vote of at least 5,302,892 shares held by stockholders other than members of the Buying Group.

However, before the meeting the company was again advised that certain members of the Buying Group had determined that New Qume would proceed with the acquisition only if Qume met all of the conditions of closing and closing occurred on or before Sept. 30. It was further advised that as of the end of trading in Taipei on Sept. 27 (which it was further advised was the last trading day in Taipei in September), the Taiwan Stock Exchange Stock Index had closed at a level more than 50 percent below the Index value on the date of the merger agreement and that because of the failure of this closing condition to be fulfilled, members of the Buying Group would cause New Qume Corp. to terminate the merger agreement on Oct. 1. No negotiations are being conducted between the Buying Group and the Special Committee.

Qume Corp. (NASDAQ:QUME) manufactures and markets page and daisywheel printers display products and computer supplies and accessories. In addition, the company's Data Technology Division offers disk drive controller boards, chip sets and high-capacity flexible disk drives and subsystems. Qume's products are marketed worldwide through a variety of distribution channels and OEMs.

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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - BUILDERS EXPRESS, INC. (NASDAQ Symbols: BLDXA, BLDXW, BLDXU) Thursday announced it has leased a site in Topeka, Kansas for its third ''Builders Express'' building supply warehouse.

The warehouse, a former Sears store, will occupy an anchor position in the White Lakes Mall in Topeka and will encompass over 81,000 square feet of interior space and an additional 5,000 square feet of outside space for the store's lawn and garden center. It is anticipated the store will open in the first quarter of calendar 1991.

Sean F. Lee, president and chief executive officer of BUILDERS EXPRESS, INC., said, ''This is the third lease the company has signed since June of this year. The first 'Builders Express' building supply warehouse opened on September 20 in Longview, Texas. The store opened on schedule and the turnout for the grand opening was excellent. It is expected that the company's second store will open on schedule in Clarkesville, Tennessee in late November.''

Lee continued, ''Topeka is typical of the markets the company will continue to concentrate on. It's the state capitol, has low unemployment, and meets the company's criteria for population and home improvement sales. Additionally, this market has yet to be tapped by other home improvement warehouse chains. The White Lakes Mall location is perfect for BUILDERS EXPRESS because it is the second busiest intersection in Topeka and is convenient to every point in the market.''

Lee also noted that the store's landlord will spend approximately $750,000 to completely renovate the facility to BUILDERS EXPRESS' specifications.

BUILDERS EXPRESS, INC. was organized in January 1990 for the purpose of opening warehouse-type retail home improvement supply stores providing a wide selection of quality, brandname products at discount prices mainly to homeowners and specialty contractors.

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TEMPE, ARIZ. (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The MicroAge Inc. board of directors is pleased to announce the recent promotions of three officers: William Keiper John H. Andrews and J. Daniel Shaver.

Keiper was promoted to executive vice president and chief operating officer of MicroAge Inc. Formerly, he was senior vice president and chief marketing officer for MicroAge Inc. Keiper also serves as president of MicroAge Computer Centers Inc. (MCCI), MicroAge Inc.'s largest subsidiary. Keiper has been at MicroAge since 1986.

Andrews was promoted to vice president and chief financial officer of MicroAge Inc. Previously, he was vice president and controller. Andrews has worked for MicroAge since 1984.

Shaver was appointed vice president of marketing of MicroAge Inc. He recently joined the company and retains the same title at MCCI.

MicroAge Inc. Chief Executive Officer Jeffrey D. McKeever said, ''We're very pleased with these promotions. All three gentlemen are very capable and will be instrumental in the company's future.''

MicroAge markets and distributes information technology products and services through an international network of more than 700 franchised, affiliate and company-owned locations.

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NIAGARA FALLS, NY (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Olin Corp. announced Friday that it is ceasing operation of its chlor-alkali unit at its plant in Niagara Falls by the end of the year.

The facility, one of the first to produce electrochemicals in this country, dates back to 1897.

The unit now produces chlorine, caustic soda, and potassium hydroxide (KOH), and it will be closed along with a sodium methylate unit that uses companion production equipment. About 150 of the plant's 224 employees will ultimately be affected by this action. Other facilities at this site, including sodium chlorite, will continue to operate.

''This decision is based on several factors, including the unit's high operating costs, which are the result of its being the oldest and smallest of Olin's chlor-alkali facilities. This facility represents less than 7 percent of the company's system-wide chlor-alkali capacity'' said an Olin spokesman. Other factors include the rising cost of waste disposal stemming from Federal environmental regulations uniquely affecting this location.

Olin said the costs associated with this decision have already been provided for and will not affect third quarter or future earnings.

''Olin customers will see no disruption in chlor-alkali supply. They will be served from the Olin-DuPont Niachlor plant in Niagara Falls and from Olin's plants in Charleston, Tennessee; McIntosh, Alabama; and Augusta, Georgia,'' the spokesman said. ''Moreover, the company remains committed to its potassium business and customers, and we are evaluating several manufacturing options regarding this business. Olin has entered into resale agreements to bridge the transition period in its potassium business.''

The spokesman also said the company hasn't altered plans to expand sodium chlorite production at Niagara Falls by another 3.5 million pounds a year. This will bring annual sodium chlorite production at the plant to 17 million pounds. The Niagara Falls plant site will continue to serve as a terminal for caustic soda and a major warehousing point for the company.

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VAN NUYS, Calif.(SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Martin Lawrence Limited Editions Inc. (NASDAQ:MLLE) announced Friday that between July 2, 1990, the date the company announced that its board of directors had authorized the repurchase of up to 1 million shares, and Sept. 26, 1990, it had repurchased all 1 million shares at prices per share ranging from $2.88 to $4.63.

The repurchase of these shares, when combined with the 500,000 shares repurchased between April 30 and June 29, 1990, totals 1.5 million shares repurchased by the company.

The company also announced that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to an additional 1 million shares of its common stock. The company will repurchase any additional shares from time to time through open market and privately negotiated transactions over the next 12 months at prices deemed appropriate by management.

The company said it will use both cash on hand and borrowings under its existing line of credit to fund the repurchase.

As of Sept. 27, 1990, Martin Lawrence Limited Editions had 6,849,648 shares outstanding.

In making the announcement, Allen A. Baron, the company's chief financial

officer, stated, ''The company believes that repurchase of the company's common stock, which is currently trading at approximately one-half of the company's book value, represents an attractive investment opportunity.''

The company went on to announce that it estimated its net sales for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, will be approximately 1-6 percent higher than net sales in the same quarter last year.

The company anticipates that its earnings for the quarter will be in the range of 12 cents to 16 cents per share, compared with 23 cents in the same quarter last year.

Same-store sales for the company's 26 galleries that were open as of July 1, 1989, are expected to be down 35-40 percent. This decrease is due, in part, to a substantial decrease in the sales of more expensive works of art, compared with the same period last year.

Martin Lawrence Limited Editions is an integrated publisher, retailer and wholesaler of limited edition serigraphs, lithographs, sculpture and other works of fine art created by internationally renowned and emerging artists. The company also purchases, for resale, original works of art as well as limited edition works by recognized artists not published by the company.

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TAMPA, FL (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - International Container Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ICSI) announced Friday that its Board of Directors has approved a resolution allowing the company's management to repurchase shares of the company's common stock from time to time.

The repurchases will be from the open market. The Board of Directors of the company has stated the reason for the repurchase program is it feels the stock represents a good investment for the company's available cash.

The company's Board of Directors currently has no plan or proposal for the disposition of any repurchased shares.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - National Heritage Inc. (NYSE:NHR) reported

Friday that it has reached a settlement of disputes with LPIMC Inc. over the management of nursing home and retirement center properties owned by LPIMC-controlled partnerships.

As previously announced, these partnerships delivered to National Heritage notices purporting to terminate management contracts and to declare defaults under leases held by National Heritage relating to properties owned by these partnerships.

Robert M. Galecke, National Heritage President and Chief Operating Officer, commented, ''While we contest the appropriateness of the purported terminations, we concluded that prolonged litigation to enforce our rights as manager would be costly and counterproductive to the best interests of the company and the residents it serves.''

Under the terms of the settlement, National Heritage will continue to manage thirteen (13) properties pursuant to incentive-based management fee contracts expiring Dec. 31, 1991, subject to certain renewal options, in most cases for an additional eighteen-month period.

In connection with the settlement, National Heritage has agreed to terminate leases and management contracts relating to an additional twenty-nine (29) nursing homes and retirement center properties owned by LPIMC-controlled partnerships.

National Heritage will continue to manage thirteen (13) of these properties under interim contracts expiring over the next several months. Following the expiration of these interim contracts, National Heritage expects to provide services to 84 nursing homes and 24 retirement centers at calendar year-end.

Negotiations with LPIMC continue regarding the resolution of a dispute regarding one additional retirement center property currently leased and operated by National Heritage.

The nursing home and retirement center properties involved are among those owned by thirty-three (33) limited partnerships for which LPIMC serves as managing general partner.

LPIMC recently gained control of these partnerships by soliciting the consent of the limited partners to remove the former managing general partners, affiliates of Southmark Corp.

National Heritage is one of the nation's leading manager/operators of long-term care facilities.

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PARAMUS, NJ (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - TSS Ltd. (NASDAQ:TSSL) Friday announced that it has signed an agreement with Ralphs Grocery Co. of Compton, Calif., for a regional test of a new method of utilizing the The Savings Spot, the company's automated instore coupon distribution system and services.

The agreement provides a test for use of The Savings Spot as the focus of an integrated instore product promotion program in partnership with supermarket chains on a regional basis. Manufacturers will get an enhanced version of The Savings Spot program in which Ralphs provides a complete promotional package supporting the featured products.

The six to eight week pilot program, scheduled for 23 Ralphs stores in the San Diego area, will test the feasibility of installing and operating TSS terminals under the new approach in up to 150 Ralphs supermarkets in San Diego, Los Angeles and five other southern California counties.

Stephen A. Collins, president and CEO of TSS Ltd. said, ''This agreement launches a program to establish promotional partnerships with Ralphs and other leading quality retailers in other regions which will maximize product movement for participating manufacturers.

''The significant increase in product movement provided by The Savings Spot programs as previously confirmed by independently run statistical surveys,'' he continued, ''will translate into product sales increases which are immediately measurable on a regional basis by participating manufacturers. Finally, Ralphs will provide product exclusivity to the participating manufacturers and significant savings to Ralphs' shoppers with The Savings Spot dispensing coupons for even lower prices on popular brands.''

According to Collins, a specialist in regional couponing, the advantages of The Savings Spot program translates into greater coupon redemption rates due to the convenience to traditional coupon users and its attraction to non-users. This contrasts with conventional coupon delivery systems where coupons must be clipped, saved and stashed away for a subsequent trip to the store, then re-sorted according to shopping plans and carted into the store.

TSS Ltd. has contracted for the installation of its coupon dispensing terminals in 474 supermarkets in the southeast including 219 terminals currently operating in supermarkets owned by Kroger, Big Star (Grand Union), Cub Foods and BI-LO. Installations are scheduled for A&P stores in October.

TSS Ltd.'s shares, warrants and units are traded on NASDAQ under the symbols TSSL, TSSLW, and TSSLU respectively.

CONTACT: TSS Ltd., Providence, R.I.

Stephen A. Collins or Hank Lazarr, 401/421-8990.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Nantucket Industries, Inc. (ASE:NAN) Friday announced results for the second quarter and six months ended September 1, 1990.

For the thirteen weeks ended September 1, 1990, net sales decreased 25% to $7,293,172 from $9,724,362 for the thirteen weeks ended August 26, 1989. Second quarter net income of $59,532 or $.02 per share compared with $359,584 or $.15 per share for the same period in the prior year.

For the twenty-six weeks ended September 1, 1990, net sales were $17,076,722, down approximately 22% from $21,870,694 for the comparable period in the prior year. Net income for the first half of fiscal 1991 was $331,915 or $.13 per share versus $975,213 or $.40 per share in the prior year's first half.

The decrease in sales for the second quarter and six month periods is in great part related to the August 1989 completion of a low margin, men's white underwear program, which generated revenues of approximately $1,500,000 and $3,500,000 in last year's second quarter and first half, respectively. The Company also attributed the sales decrease to significant reductions in its customers' inventory levels in response to the economic uncertainties stemming from fear of a recession and the crisis in the Persian Gulf. This reduction was partially offset by a $453,000 increase in second quarter sales at the women's sock division.

Commenting, George J. Gold, Chairman, stated, ''Considering general economic conditions and the retail environment specifically, we are not dissatisfied by Nantucket's performance. It is especially gratifying to note that we were able to maintain strong gross profit margin percentages of 24.9% for the quarter, thanks to efficiencies from our new plant expansion as well as the success of our cost containment programs.''

Gold continued, ''Our balance sheet remains especially strong. At the close of the second quarter, working capital stood at $15,409,174 and our current ratio was 5.7:1.

''Barring the unforeseen, we continue to expect a much stronger second half. Starting in the fourth quarter, we will begin to generate new, high margin, sales with shipments of our newest licensed brands, McGregor undergarments for men, Danskin socks for women, and Thermos brand thermal underwear for women.''

Nantucket Industries, Inc. manufactures and sells men's, ladies' and children's undergarments and women's socks.

NANTUCKET INDUSTRIES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Thirteen Weeks Ended September 1, 1990	Thirteen Weeks Ended August 26, 1989
Net Sales	$7,293,172	$9,724,362
Income Before Income Taxes	103,532	511,244
Income Taxes	44,000	151,660
NET INCOME	$ 59,532	$ 359,584
NET INCOME PER COMMON SHARE	$.02	$.15
Average Shares Outstanding	2,456,168	2,449,779

	Twenty-Six Weeks Ended September 1, 1990	Twenty-Six Weeks Ended August 26, 1989
Net Sales	$17,076,722	$21,870,694
Income Before Income Taxes	582,915	1,598,710
Income Taxes	251,000	623,497
NET INCOME	$ 331,915	$ 975,213
NET INCOME PER COMMON SHARE	$.13	$.40
Average shares outstanding	2,468,157	2,444,043

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Directors of U.S. Precious Metals Inc. (NASDAQ:USPMF, TSE:USP) and Centurion Gold Ltd. (NASDAQ:CEUMF, TSE/VSE: CEU) announced Friday that the two companies have agreed in principle to consolidate into one company.

The business consolidation would require obtaining shareholder and regulatory approval and the receipt of satisfactory fairness opinions and would be on the basis of one new consolidated company share for each share of USPM and Centurion. USPM and Centurion intend to settle on the final terms of the consolidation within 90 days.

The business strengths of the companies are complementary, as USPM is currently seeking additional development opportunities, and Centurion has several significant mineral properties which it is currently seeking to develop.

The companies currently have common management and the consolidation will

result in considerable administrative efficiencies, as it will no longer be necessary to conduct separate audits, meetings and filings.

In addition, the greater asset base and operational ability of the combined companies should make it easier to obtain financing when needed and negotiate new opportunities.

USPM's primary asset is a 40 percent interest in the Mother Lode Mine near Beatty, Nevada. The Mother Lode Mine produced 16,480 ounces of gold during the first half of 1990 and is currently 30 percent ahead of scheduled production on second half production. Production costs for 1990 have averaged under $200 U.S. per ounce.

Centurion's primary assets are interests in 14 mineral properties located in the Western United States. Centurion receives royalty income from operations on some of the properties which should total over $600,000 U.S. in 1990. 1989 revenues from royalties were over $500,000 U.S.

In addition, Centurion has recently completed a feasibility study on the Gray Eagle Project in Northern California which shows that at $400.00 U.S. per ounce gold and $1.00 U.S. per pound copper on the open pit mining project which would yield an annual pre-tax income of over 5 million dollars.

Because of the complementary nature of the two companies, the directors of both companies feel that the proposed business consolidation would greatly enhance shareholder value and cost effectiveness.

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MURFREESBORO, TN (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - National HealthCorp L.P. (ASE:NHC), one of the nation's largest long-term health care chains, has opened its 24th center in Florida and begun construction on two centers in South Carolina.

The Florida center is 120-bed Ocoee Health Care Center in Ocoee, Fla., and will be managed by NHC. The $9.5 million South Carolina construction projects include an 88-bed center in North Augusta and a 132-bed center in Greenville.

''America's population is aging and the need for our services is substantial '' NHC President Andy Adams said. ''We are pleased to have the opportunity to provide quality health care at these new locations.''

NHC, a publicly traded limited partnership, now operates 74 long-term health

care centers with a total of 8,887 beds. The company's other services for the nation's elderly include Alzheimer's units, homecare programs and retirement apartments.

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MOONACHIE, NJ (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Bob Lieberman has joined Matchbox Toys (USA) Ltd. as Vice President of Marketing, effective Oct. 1, it was announced Friday by Ken Bloom, executive vice president and general manager of the Moonachie based toy company.

In this senior marketing position, Lieberman will be responsible for the North and South American markets as well as coordinating the company's global marketing effort.

Lieberman brings an 18 year background in children's products to his new post. Prior to joining Matchbox, he was vice president of Sicommerce Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of BBC Brown Boveri, the well-known Swiss multi-national whose charter is to introduce innovate consumer products to the American markets.

During his tenure at Sicommerce, Lieberman created and launched MAGNETIC DIMENSIONS, the No. 1 selling game at FAO Schwarz during the Christmas '89 season. Lieberman joined Sicommerce from The Topps Co., Inc., best known for their Baseball Cards and BAZOOKA bubble gum, where he was Director of Marketing.

Lieberman, 38, resides in Ocean, N.J. with his wife and their two daughters.

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ELMSFORD, NY (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Computer Factory Inc., (NYSE:CFA) Friday announced the sale of its rentals operations to Rent-A-PC Inc., of Hauppauge, N.Y.

Through a private label agreement with Rent-A-PC, The Computer Factory will be able to expand its rental business throughout the northeast.

This action is in accordance with The Computer Factory's strategic plan to reduce its cost of operations as well as to focus its efforts on the

development of Computer Factory Suprestores, the first of which is expected to open in December 1990 in Milwaukee.

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FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Northern Railroad (BN) (NYSE:BNI) Friday announced a special leave policy for employees in the military reserves or National Guard who are called to active duty.

Gerald Grinstein, president and chief executive officer, said, ''Burlington Northern will make up the difference in both pay and benefits between what employees receive while on active duty and what they would have received had they continued in the active employement of BN. It is our hope that this will ease at least some of the difficulty and uncertainty that our military-reserve employees and their families will face in coming months.''

The new policy applies to all Burlington Northern employees.

Reservists on active duty ordinarily are not compensated beyond what the government pays them, although federal law guarantees them their job or a comparable one when they return.

BN employees, in addition to having their income level maintained, will continue to receive the same level of benefits from the company as long as there is no duplication of the government's benefits.

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NORTH BERGEN, NJ (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - EMERSON RADIO CORP. (NYSE:EME) Friday announced that it has entered into an agreement with Tomei Industrial (Holdings) Ltd., which, among other matters, provides for the sale of approximately 2,000,000 shares of Emerson's Common Stock to Tomei at a price of $3.75 per share, or an aggregate of approximately $7.5 million.

In addition, Tomei was granted an option to buy an approximate like number of additional shares at $4.00 per share through August 1991 and a designee of Tomei has agreed to serve upon Emerson's Board of Directors.

Tomei has further agreed with the Company that for a period of three years, it will vote its shares of Emerson Common Stock in favor of both the Board's designees of Fidenas Investment Limited, the Company's largest shareholder, and the remaining Emerson management nominees. Tomei will continue to maintain its right to designate one member of Emerson's Board of Directors subsequent to September 1991 and through September 1993 provided that Tomei shall have acquired at least a 10% equity interest in Emerson prior to September 1991 and shall have continuously held at least 7-1/2% of Emerson's Common Stock throughout.

Tomei, a public company whose ordinary shares are traded on the Hong Kong stock exchange, is one of the largest electronics groups in Hong Kong. Tomei, together with its affiliates, are engaged in the marketing and production of electronics components, a full range of audio-video and electronic products, toys and magnetic tapes, with operations in China, Indonesia and Malaysia employing approximately 20,000 persons. Tomei has stated that the combined revenues of Tomei and its affiliates are expected to reach $350 million during calendar 1990.

Emerson Radio Corp. designs and markets a full line of popularly priced consumer electronics products. The range of the Company's products includes televisions, video cassette recorders, portable compact disc players, radios, stereo systems, tape players and recorders, microwave ovens, compact refrigerators, telephones, answering machines and fax machines. Emerson Computer Corp. and Emerson Technologies, L.P., subsidiaries of the Company, design and market personal computers and related peripheral products. H.H. Scott, Inc. a wholly-owned subsidiary, designs and markets a line of high-fidelity audio and video equipment.

CONTACT: EMERSON RADIO CORP., North Bergen
William W. Lane, 201/854-6600.

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NASHVILLE, TN (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - DeVlieg-Bullard Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:DVLG) Friday announced that it has completed the purchase of certain assets of New Britain Machine, a division of Litton Industries, Inc. (NYSE:LIT).

The value of the transaction was approximately $8 million, in line with the amount indicated last month when the contract was initially announced.

As earlier reported, Laurence DeFrance, chief executive officer of DeVlieg-Bullard, said the operations of New Britain Machine are expected to contribute close to $10 million to the company's annual revenues. For its fiscal year ended July 31, 1990, DeVlieg-Bullard reported net sales of $77.2

million.

DeFrance said that the acquisition will significantly expand the market for the maintenance, repair and remanufacturing services which DeVlieg-Bullard provides for machine tools.

He remarked, ''New Britain Machine has shipped more than 40,000 machine tools since its founding in 1895. Through this transaction we are effectively adding the nationwide base of New Britain users to our customer base.

''We are pleased with completing the acquisition of this universally recognized trade name and are excited about the opportunity to meet the operating requirements of the large number of New Britain tools now in service.''

DeVlieg-Bullard is a diversified industrial concern specializing in servicing, upgrading, automating and remanufacturing precision engineered machine tools. The Company also manufactures sophisticated original and replacement tooling products used in industrial machine tools.

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NORTH BERGEN, NJ (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Emerson Radio Corp. (NYSE:EME) Friday announced that Stephen L. Lane, its president and chief executive officer, had resigned as both an officer and director, effective immediately.

Stephen L. Lane stated that his resignation was prompted by his desire to avoid further adverse publicity to Emerson stemming from recent media articles concerning his personal life which Lane believes were erroneously reported. William W. Lane, Emerson's chairman, has assumed the office of president and chief executive officer, effective immediately.

Stephen L. Lane has agreed to make his services available to Emerson as a consultant to the company's board of directors and management for a period of three years to the extent requested. Commenting upon Stephen L. Lane's resignation, William W. Lane stated, ''We are profoundly sorry that after 30 years of invaluable service to Emerson, Stephen L. Lane has resigned from all of his executive positions with Emerson for what he believes to be the best interests of Emerson. He will be sorely missed. We are delighted that Steve has agreed to serve as a consultant so that we will continue to be able to draw upon his vast experience in the consumer electronics industry over the next several years to augment the future growth and development of Emerson.''

Emerson Radio Corp. designs and markets a full line of popularly priced

consumer electronic products. the range of the company's products includes televisions, video cassette recorders, portable compact disc players, radios, stereo systems, tape players and recorders, microwave ovens, compact refrigerators, telephones, answering machines and fax machines. Emerson Computer Corp. and Emerson Technologies, L.P., subsidiaries of the Company, design and market personal computers and related peripheral products. H.H. Scott, Inc. a wholly-owned subsidiary, designs and markets a line of high-fidelity audio and video equipment.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Coast Plastics Inc. (NASDAQ:SUNI), reported Friday that its net income for this fiscal year ending June 30 was $51,000 (zero cents per share), an improvement of $209,000 over the net loss of $158,000 (two cents per share) incurred the previous fiscal year.

Total revenues were $61,757,000 this year, an increase of 6.7 percent from the previous year's revenue of $57,875,000.

For the fourth quarter ending June 30 revenues were $16,039,000 and one percent less than the fourth quarter revenues of $16,158,000 reported last year. Net income for the fourth quarter of this year was $254,000 (one cent per share) and $175,000 less than the fourth quarter income of $429,000 reported in 1989.

At June 30, 1990 the total of all long-term and short-term debt outstanding was $20,498,000, a decrease of $2,677,000 (11.6 percent) in debt from the $23,175,000 of total debt that was outstanding at June 30, 1989.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - NYNEX Corporation Friday announced the creation of NYNEX Network Systems Company to focus on opportunities to provide communications networks outside the United States.

NYNEX Network Systems Company is a subsidiary of NYNEX's Worldwide Information and Cellular Services Group and will be headquartered in Brussels, Belgium.

Charles J. Many, who has been president - NYNEX Mobile Communications Company, has been named president of the new company. Alfred F. Boschulte, NYNEX vice president - Marketing and Planning, has been elected president at NYNEX Mobile Communications.

NYNEX Network Systems Company's mission is to pursue privatization contracts now available in many European and Pacific rim countries and to seek opportunities for cable franchises, private network construction, and cellular and other wirefree licenses in selected countries.

''We are very serious about our international ventures,'' said Ivan G. Seidenberg, NYNEX executive vice president and president of Worldwide Information and Cellular Services Group. ''The new company will deliver world class management and networking expertise to the contracts we've already won while aggressively pursuing other opportunities. NYNEX Network Systems Company is the action organization that will attract new business to NYNEX in the international marketplace.

According to Many, ''NYNEX has the technical expertise many countries overseas need and want. It's our job to show them and convince them that we have the commitment and the ability to assist them.''

NYNEX is already involved in several international network projects. In Gibraltar, the United Kingdom and the Philippines, NYNEX has earned contracts to provide network services, cable franchises and coin phone service.

NYNEX Corporation is a worldwide family of communications and information systems companies, providing voice and data communications, wireless communications networks, computers and software and publishing services. Its telecommunications sector provides voice and data communications services for the northeastern United States. Its Worldwide Information and Cellular Services sector provides network services and information systems in the United States and in 37 countries around the globe.

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BALTIMORE (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Choices Entertainment Corp. (NASDAQ:CECS) Friday announced that it has extended the expiration of the period during which Class C Common Stock Purchase Warrants (''Class C Warrants'') will be issued upon the exercise of its outstanding Redeembable Class B Common Stock Purchase Warrants (''Class B Warrants''), from Sept. 28 to Oct. 19.

Each Class B Warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase 1.2 shares of common stock at an exercise price of $3.25 at any time through June 7, 1993. In addition, for every two Class B Warrants exercises prior to Oct. 19, holders will receive, at no additional consideration, one Class C Warrant. Each Class C Warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase one share of Common Stock at an exercise price of $1.875 at any time through Dec. 31.

Choices Entertainment Corp. is engaged in the establishment of movies and music superstores, which rent and sell video cassettes, compact discs and other movie/music media.

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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - La Quinta Motor Inns Inc. (NYSE: LQM) announced Friday that it has entered into an agreement, subject to approval by Mexican government authorities, with Desarrollos Turisticos Vanguardia S.A. de C.V. for the expansion of its chain into the Mexican States of Nuevo Leon and Coahuila.

Major cities in those states include Monterrey and Saltillo. In announcing the new development program, Sam Barshop, chairman and chief executive officer stated: ''Expansion into Mexico represents a natural growth opportunity for the company. A need exists for value priced, limited service lodging within the country of Mexico.

''With La Quinta Inns in all states bordering Mexico, both U.S. and Mexican travelers will benefit from the expansion of the La Quinta system into Mexico. The La Quinta system will benefit from broader exposure to the expanding Mexican market.'' Under the new program, Desarrollos Turisticos Vanguardia S.A. de C.V., a Saltillo based company, will construct and own each of the inns pursuant to a license from La Quinta. Initially, La Quinta will manage each of the inns under a separate management agreement.

Exclusive development rights for the two Mexican states have been awarded Desarrollos subject to the satisfaction of quota requirements. All inns to be located in Mexico will offer the product type, quality and consistency experienced by La Quinta guests in the United States.

La Quinta will approve all locations and have the right to review all aspects of the design and construction of each facility. Representatives of both La Quinta and Desarrollos hope to have several locations under development within six to eight months.

La Quinta Motor Inns Inc. develops, owns, and operates or licenses limited

services lodging facilities. As of Sept. 28, La Quinta operated 208 inns in 29 states.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - American Bankers Insurance Group Inc. (NASDAQ:ABIG) announced that it has recently contributed $1 million to its Leveraged Employee Stock Ownership Plan (LESOP) for the purpose of acquiring additional shares of the company's stock in the open market.

The company's regular third and fourth quarter contributions to the LESOP will in turn be reduced by $1 million. To compensate for the reduction, future contributions to the LESOP will be modified over the remaining scheduled contribution period beginning Jan. 1, 1991.

The LESOP originally acquired 1,616,161 newly issued shares for $20 million in December, 1988.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM Friday announced it will donate more than $600,000 in computer equipment, software products and engineering support to the University of Maine to automate the school's computer integrated manufacturing (CIM) teaching and research center, the Pulp and Paper Pilot Plant.

CIM is the process by which manufacturers link their departments -- from design and engineering to production, business planning, marketing and distribution -- using information systems technology.

In addition to IBM, Heuristics, Inc., an IBM Business Partner which develops software for industrial process manufacturing customers will contribute to the project.

''It is crucial that today's engineering students receive the technical experience and advanced training necessary to meet our current industrial challenges,'' says Edward J. Kfoury, president of IBM's Industrial Sector Division. ''The University of Maine's world-class pilot plant is an excellent example of how the combination of education and technology can provide students with the tools to excel in a highly competitive marketplace.''

The Pulp and Paper Pilot Plant is a $6 million complex which demonstrates the operations of a modern pulp and paper mill. Supporting the plant is a comprehensive paper testing facility and a new computer laboratory, established as part of the automation project. These facilities are available to students, faculty, industry-sponsored researchers and the University of Maine Pulp and Paper Foundation members.

The capabilities of CIM enable users of these facilities, for example, to collect information generated in both the plant and laboratory environments for immediate analysis, thereby increasing research productivity and knowledge of the paper making process.

The integration of technology systems, managed by IBM's Forest Products Industry Center, will take place over the next several years and will include IBM equipment such as Personal System/2(a) (PS/2)(a) workstations, Industrial Computers designed for harsh environments and an Application System/400(a) (AS/400)(a) computer, serving as the information network manager and business support system.

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AKRON, OH (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Samir F.S. (Sam) Gibara, president and chief executive officer, Goodyear Canada Inc., has been appointed vice president, Goodyear's European operations effective Dec. 1, replacing Max Zimmermann.

Zimmermann, 62, for personal reasons has requested early retirement effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Gibara will report to Jack R. Sardas, president and chief operating officer of the Tire Division.

Succeeding Gibara in Canada is Barry Robbins, formerly vice president, sales and marketing for Goodyear subsidiary Kelly-Springfield. Robbins' move is effective Nov. 1. He will report to Gene Culler, executive vice president, North American Tire Division.

Named to replace Robbins at Kelly-Springfield effective Oct. 1 is Don Salyers, formerly vice president consumer products for Goodyear. Salyers will report to John F. Fiedler, president and CEO, The Kelly-Springfield Tire Co.

Gibara, 51, joined Goodyear in 1964 as a management trainee in France. He ws named president and managing director of Goodyear France in 1976, and vice president, Europe, in 1981.

Following a brief absence from the company, Gibara returned as managing director of Goodyear France in 1983. In August of 1989, he was elected president and CEO of Goodyear Canada Inc.

A native of Switzerland, Zimmermann joined Goodyear in 1949 as a trainee in Akron. He was elected a vice president of Goodyear International Corp. in January of 1985.

CONTACT: Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Akron
Chuck Sinclair, 216/796-2154

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BOSTON (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - When is diamond not a precious stone?

When it is a technology which will synthesize diamond, a material likely to revolutionize industry around the world and rival the impact of the silicon computer chip.

The October issue of New England Business magazine reveals that the Norton Co. of Worcester is a major player in developing the new technology and expects sales of $400,000,000 by the end of 1994 in an emerging field for a company whose 1989 revenues were $1.5 billion. Kim Bigelow, Norton's director of technology, feels that Norton can become the fastest commercializer of diamond and told the magazine that a new kind of diamond film developed by Norton was the chief reason behind the company's acquisition last April by the Companie de Saint-Gobain of France.

Norton's new proprietary process advances a relatively new technology known as chemical vapor deposition, or CVD, which is likely to make diamond more readily available. Increased availability combined with diamond's unique physical properties --- absolute hardness, superb heat conductivity and an ability to provide an almost frictionless surface --- will, theoretically at least, have widespread applicability in everything from automobile engines to computers to missile systems, says the magazine.

CVD diamond requires a source of liquid carbon ranging from sake in Japan, to whiskey, to peanut butter. Methane gas, however, is a more easily managed carbon source. The CVD process converts the various source materials of carbon to diamond, and ways have been found to make it 99.9 percent pure.

Norton is not the only player, according to New England Business. General Electric Co. first duplicated nature's way of making diamonds in the 1960s and

this past July introduced gem-quality diamonds purer than anything in nature. Raytheon Co., the Lexington, Mass.-based manufacturer closely associated with the defense industry, describes diamond as ''one of the larger free-standing'' research programs at the company.

New England Business is a regional business monthly magazine published in Boston.

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NEWARK, N.J. (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - THT Inc. (NASDAQ:TXHI) announced Friday the consummation of a stock purchase agreement with Jackburn Mfg. Inc., Girard, Pa., pursuant to which, a newly formed, wholly owned subsidiary of THT Inc., purchased 100 percent of the stock of Jackburn Mfg. Inc. for approximately $8 million.

Jackburn Mfg. Inc. has been in business for approximately 30 years and is engaged in the manufacture of steel grids used as cooking surfaces for gas stoves.

Jackburn Mfg. Inc. estimates revenues of approximately $8 million for their year ended Sept. 30 and estimates operating income before taxes and nonrecurring expenses of approximately $1.7 million.

THT Inc. is engaged in the sale of consumer electronics and, through its wholly owned subsidiary, in the manufacture of rolled paper sticks used principally in confection and sanitary health related products.

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RICHMOND, VA (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert H. Hilb, president of Hilb, Rogal & Hamilton Co. (NASDAQ: HRHC) announced the completion of the acquisition of Cundiff Insurance Services Ltd. of Fredericksburg, Va. by Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co.'s Fredericksburg subsidiary.

Terms were not disclosed.

Hilb stated, ''This acquisition represents another orderly step in the expansion of our company.''

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. provides insurance agency services to a wide variety of clients through its network of wholly owned subsidiaries which operate 39 insurance agencies in 15 states and the District of Columbia. The company is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol, HRHC.

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DEERFIELD, Ill.(SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Baxter Healthcare Corp. announced Friday the signing of multi-year, multi-million-dollar supply and sales agreements with Saint Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston, N.J., and Vanderbilt University Hospital in Nashville, Tenn.

Under the agreements, Baxter will manage most of the inventory required to service the hospitals' needs and provide daily deliveries of medical supplies in ready-to-use packaging.

The agreement with Saint Barnabas is expected to result in about $56 million in sales for Baxter and more than $7 million in savings for Saint Barnabas over six years. The contract with Vanderbilt represents an expansion of an existing distribution relationship with

Baxter during which the hospital reduced inventory costs by $3 million. The new agreement, which is effective through 1993, is expected to generate approximately $52 million in sales to Baxter over the course of the contract.

Baxter's stockless/just-in-time distribution program, called ValueLink, can reduce or eliminate the need for hospitals to warehouse products by using Baxter's distribution services to deliver supplies as they are needed in quantities that are ready to use.

Stockless delivery represents a departure from the way hospitals typically receive and handle supplies. Most hospitals receive medical products in bulk quantities delivered by numerous vendors. The large cases must then be broken down into small units and sent to the various hospital departments.

''Our program streamlines the process of handling medical supplies, cuts inventory and, as a result, can offer hospitals tremendous savings,'' said Anthony Kesman, vice president and general manager of Baxter's ValueLink business center.

''Our studies show hospitals generally spend a third or more of their budgets on the purchase price of supplies and the logistics activities associated with purchasing and moving them from warehouses and storerooms to the patients, where they are ultimately used. The longer products are held in inventory,

the more it costs hospitals.''

''We were faced with the need to build a warehouse to store and distribute medical/surgical supplies,'' explained Joseph E. Barry, senior vice president at Saint Barnabas. ''Under the arrangement, Baxter will warehouse the supplies destined for Saint Barnabas and will deliver them as they are needed. Saint Barnabas will not have to invest the money and management staff needed to secure and operate a warehouse facility.''

''The dollar savings from all facets of the stockless program are impressive '' said David Jones, director of purchasing at Vanderbilt. ''We reduced our investment in in-house inventory by $3 million during the past two years of our stockless program.''

Stockless programs also enable hospitals to convert old storage areas into revenue-producing space, such as new operating rooms or diagnostic laboratories. Vanderbilt plans to offer ancillary patient-care services in its former inventory space. Saint Barnabas plans to convert its space into classrooms and other training facilities.

Vanderbilt University Hospital is a major referral center and the teaching and research institution for Vanderbilt University Medical School. It has 661 inpatient beds and handles more than 240,000 clinical visits annually.

Saint Barnabas Medical Center is a 620-bed facility with 35,000 inpatients, 28,000 emergency visits and 200,000 outpatient visits each year. It is the largest and oldest hospital in New Jersey and a major referral center as well as a teaching and research institution. Baxter Healthcare Corp. is the principal domestic operating subsidiary of Baxter International Inc. Based in Deerfield, Baxter is the leading worldwide manufacturer and marketer of health-care products, systems and services. It offers 120,000 products to health-care providers in 100 countries.

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CAROL STREAM, IL (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - MicroENERGY Inc. (NASDAQ:MCRE), designer and and manufacturer of custom switching power supplies announced Friday its results for the fiscal year ended June 30.

MicroENERGY Inc.
Statement of Earnings

	(audited) Years Ending 6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenues	$10,461,354	$5,585,986
Profit/(Loss) after tax	602,058	(687,049)
Earnings per share	$0.005	($0.008)

The company, which was recognized in the Inc. Magazine as one of the 100 fastest growing companies in the country for the last five years, had a revenue increase of 87 percent on a year-to-year basis.

The increased revenues are a result of increased shipments to existing customers and substantial shipments of new products to an expanded customer base. The profitability increase was a direct result of the increased revenues and controlling the cost growth below the revenue growth rate.

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FARMINGDALE, NY (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Cleopatra Kohlique Inc. (NASDAQ:CLEO) announced Friday that Anthony McCready purchased from London Financial Trust Ltd. (''LFT''), the company's controlling stockholder, 4,471,663 shares of common stock (34.4 percent), 75 shares of Class A stock, representing all of the issued and outstanding stock of that class, options to purchase 1.5 million shares of the company's common stock and Promissory Notes aggregating $116,667 issued by the company, and secured by substantially all of its assets.

The interests purchased by McCready are being held in escrow pending McCready's payment of the purchase price which is due in four installments through Dec. 31. During that period, McCready will be entitled to vote the shares he acquired provided he makes timely payments to LFT, and he will be in a position to effectively control the company.

McCready, the company's chief operating officer, and formerly the president of the International Division at Pavion, Ltd., had previously acquired an 8.5 percent equity interest in the company in Dec., 1989.

LFT retained ownership of 1,086,432 shares (7.8 percent) of the company's common stock.

The company's two current directors, Pravin D. Jatania and Bharat D. Jatania, affiliates of LFT, resigned as directors of the company, effective in October. Pravin D. Jatania resigned as chief executive officer, effective immediately. The board of directors of the company appointed Anthony McCready, effective

immediately, to fill one of the existing vacancies on the board.

It is anticipated that McCready will designate one or more individuals to fill the vacancies created by the resignation of Bharat and Pravin Jatania. In addition, McCready was elected to serve as president and chief executive officer.

The company distributes the Cleopatra Kohlique and Montaj lines of cosmetic products to mass market retail stores and chains.

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BURBANK, CA (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - dick clark productions inc. (NASDAQ:DCPI) reported that revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30 rose to $30,263,000, a gain of 18 percent over revenues of $25,613,000 for fiscal 1989.

Net income for fiscal 1990 was $1,352,000, or 16 cents per share, compared with $2,623,000, or 32 cents per share, for fiscal 1989.

Revenues for the fourth quarter ended June 30 were $7,727,000, compared with $5,395,000 for the comparable quarter of fiscal 1989. Net income for the period was $522,000, or 6 cents per share, compared with $1,019,000, or 12 cents per share, for the same period last year.

As of June 30, the balance sheet showed cash and cash equivalents of $20,253,000 equalling $2.45 per share, with no debt.

The increase in revenues in fiscal 1990 compared with fiscal 1989 is primarily attributable to an increase in the number of television specials produced during the year as well as the delivery of a movie for television during fiscal 1990. The decrease in fiscal 1990 net income is primarily due to a decline in the profitability of the series programming produced during the year. This was somewhat offset by an increase in net income generated by a greater number of specials produced in fiscal 1990, compared with fiscal 1989.

Not reflected in the 1990 financial results are two five-day-per-week game show series produced by the company, which debuted in fiscal 1991. THE CHALLENGERS is in first-run syndication in 82 percent of U.S television households and LET'S MAKE A DEAL airs daytime on NBC.

During the fiscal 1990 year, the company produced 19 entertainment and awards specials. Thirteen specials were annual or recurring, four were new programs and two were series pilots which aired as specials. The company also produced the highest rated two-hour movie for television of the 1989-90 television

season.

In addition, the company has obtained 100 percent ownership of the first AMERICAN BANDSTAND GRILL located in Miami, and rights to control the future development of the restaurant concept. Its wholly owned talent booking subsidiary, the dick clark agency inc. completed its first full year of operations in fiscal 1990 and is currently coordinating a series of 10 concerts in Japan under the banner of the company's AMERICAN MUSIC AWARDS trademark.

The company began to further exploit the value of its AMERICAN MUSIC AWARDS trademark by licensing it for use at the AMERICAN MUSIC AWARDS HALL OF FAME, which is being developed in Memphis, Tenn.

Dick clark productions, which has been publicly traded since 1987, develops and produces a wide range of television programming including entertainment specials, variety series, movies and game shows. Recently the company has been developing additional emerging businesses to capitalize on the value of its trademarks and other assets. Its new businesses include the recently opened AMERICAN BANDSTAND GRILL restaurant and THE DICK CLARK AGENCY INC., a talent booking agency.

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MILWAUKEE (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Republic Capital Group Inc. (NASDAQ:RSLA) Friday announced the declaration of the first quarter fiscal year 1991 cash dividend of 30 cents per share, payable Oct. 26, to shareholders of record Oct. 12.

''The three insured institutions that make up Republic Capital Group Inc. all meet their fully phased-in capital requirements, and as such qualify as the highest ranked institutions under the new regulations that govern dividend payments,'' reported Robert L. Desmond, president. ''These new regulations superseded our previous dividend limitation agreements and will greatly support our ability to maintain the generous dividend policy we have established.''

Desmond added: ''Republic Capital Group is a well capitalized, profitable company doing business in a troubled industry. Our 30 offices, located in Wisconsin and Illinois, areas known for their strong, stable economies, provide low cost deposits and are excellent sources for one-to-four family

residential and consumer loans, the mainstay of our business.

''The next several years will present many new regulatory and accounting challenges. We believe Republic Capital Group will have the capital and management skills to meet these challenges facing our industry.''

Headquartered in Milwaukee, Republic Capital Group Inc. is a multi-financial institution holding company. As of June 30, Republic Capital Group's net worth was $49,619,000 with assets totaling approximately $958 million. Republic Capital Group Inc. is the fifth largest financial institution organization headquartered in Wisconsin.

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Robert L. Desmond, 414/352-3500

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NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The first platform to the Main Pass Project was launched Friday in ceremonies at the McDermott Marine Construction fabrication yard near Morgan City, La.

The Main Pass deposit contains the largest existing Frasch sulphur reserve in North America and one of the largest reserves of oil and natural gas in the Gulf of Mexico.

Main Pass lies 17 miles east of Venice in the Gulf of Mexico. When completed in 1992, the complex will be the largest structure in the Gulf, encompassing some 300,000 square feet of deck area, or 6.9 acres. It will stretch 1.1 miles from one end to the other.

Among those participating in the ceremonies were Gov. Buddy Roemer and Freeport-McMoRan Chairman and Chief Executive Officer James R. Moffett. They each broke a bottle of Gulf of Mexico water across the platform to start it on its two-day journey down Bayou Boeuf to the open Gulf.

The Main Pass Project is a joint venture of Freeport-McMoRan Resource Partners 58.3 percent ownership; IMC Fertilizer Inc. 25 percent, and Felmont Oil Corp. 16.7 percent. Freeport-McMoRan, a natural resource company headquartered in New Orleans, owns 62 percent of Freeport-McMoRan Resource Partners, Limited Partnership.

The 67 million ton sulphur reserve gives Main Pass a life of 30 to 35 years at a design production rate of approximately 2 million tons a year. Sulphur production is scheduled to begin in mid-1992.

The estimated recoverable oil reserves are 35 to 50 million barrels with a production life of 10 to 15 years. Oil and natural gas production will begin

in late 1991.

The platform that was launched today weighs 2,632 tons. The Main Pass platforms will stand 28 stories high from the ocean floor.

The $804 million project -- $554 million for sulphur construction and $250 million for oil and gas acquisitions and construction -- will have a major economic impact on Louisiana.

The impact on the Louisiana economy over the life-of-the-mine is estimated to be $31 billion. The total impact of these construction and acquisitions costs is $1.5 billion with total employment due to construction at 21,274 workers.

Payroll generated over the life-of-the-mine will be in excess of $1.5 billion. The project will provide estimated tax revenues of more than $800 million to state and local government and over $1.3 billion to the federal government over the life-of-the-mine.

Three Louisiana engineering companies are the major contractors: McDermott Inc., is designing, fabricating and installing the structures; Waldemar S. Nelson & Co. Inc., is designing the power plant and sulphur facilities; and Walk, Haydel & Associates, is providing project management. There are 117 Louisiana sub-constructors and vendors also directly participating in the project and many more businesses indirectly benefitting.

Much of the sulphur mined at Main Pass will serve as a raw material at Freeport-McMoRan Resource Partner's three plants upriver from New Orleans to produce fertilizer. Freeport-McMoRan Resource Partners is the largest producer of phosphate fertilizer in the nation.

When completed, the six platforms that comprise the sulphur mining giant will include two production drilling units, power plant and facilities platforms, a 24,000 ton liquid sulphur storage platform, and living quarters for 163 employees.

Freeport-McMoRan Resource Partners currently has three operating sulphur mines Garden Island Bay at the mouth of the Mississippi River and Grand Isle and Caminada offshore from Louisiana.

The company uses the Frasch method in producing sulphur. This involves injection of superheated water into the sulphur bearing zones. The solid sulphur, which melts at 240 degrees, is transformed into a liquid and lifted to the surface through the use of compressed air. The sulphur is maintained in a liquid form throughout shipment, storage and delivery to customers.

The system of handling liquid sulphur from the mine to the customer was pioneered by Freeport-McMoRan in the early 1960s. The system as currently used provides the latest state of the art environmental equipment.

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In commenting on the year, Francis C. La Maina, president and chief operating officer, said, ''While we are pleased with our performance in fiscal 1990, we view the past year as one in which we laid the foundation for our future growth. In addition to the specials, series, pilots and other programming in fiscal 1990, the company was able to launch a new game show strategy and as a result has two game show series now on the air,'' he said.

In addition, the company has obtained 100 percent ownership of the first AMERICAN BANDSTAND GRILL located in Miami, and rights to control the future development of the restaurant concept. Its wholly owned talent booking subsidiary, the dick clark agency inc. completed its first full year of operations in fiscal 1990 and is currently coordinating a series of 10 concerts in Japan under the banner of the company's AMERICAN MUSIC AWARDS trademark.

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''There is a great deal of excitement at dick clark productions as we continue to shape our company in the 90s,'' La Maina said.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - In an exclusive report based on months of investigation, Aviation Week & Space Technology reveals in its latest edition that advanced, secret aircraft developed at highly classified government facilities in the Nevada desert over the last decade are now demonstrating and validating new technologies for the nation's future fighters, bombers and reconnaissance platforms.

The number and sophistication of new aircraft appear to have increased sharply in recent years, when substantial funding was made available for ''deep black'' projects. Vehicles now flying include both manned and unmanned hypersonic-capable aircraft designed to perform strategic reconnaissance and other, less conventionally defined missions. Several vehicles appear to incorporate technologies that outstrip those now employed by engineers charged with developing current-generation aircraft.

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McGraw-Hill's Aviation Week Group markets a comprehensive network of publications, electronic and video services for the multibillion dollar aviation/aerospace/defense market.

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STAMFORD, CT. (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - James E. Stewart, Chairman and Chief Executive of Lone Star Industries, Inc. (NYSE: LCE), announced the completion of an earlier agreement with Tarmac PLC, whereby its U.S. subsidiary, Tarmac America, Inc., has purchased from Lone Star the entire issue of cumulative preferred stock of Tarmac America at $147 million in cash.

''An initial cash payment to Lone Star of $5 million was received in June of this year,'' Mr. Stewart said. ''Today, Lone Star received the balance of $142 million in cash.''

''These funds will be used consistent with our restructuring program, which is progressing,'' Mr. Stewart continued. ''Additional transactions under our programs are presently being negotiated, and will be reported as they are concluded.''

Lone Star Industries and its affiliates are leading producers of cement and a major source of ready-mixed concrete, sand and gravel, crushed stone, and other construction materials.

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SHAWNEE, OK (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Barton Industries Inc., announced at the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) conference in New Orleans, of Barton's technological advances in product development for the oil and gas industry.

C. W. Earl Johnson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated that at a time when the United States is 50 percent dependent on imported oil, energy companies could relieve a large portion of this dependency by utilizing Barton's automated Reservoir Management Systems in the United States.

According to Johnson, Barton's Pump Off Plus advancement has a unique optimization feature not offered by competitive units which allows existing oil wells the enhancement feature of increasing oil production from 10 percent to 30 percent.

These increases are achieved through a combination of a significant reduction in well downtime coupled with a pure improvement in production due to the more efficient operation of the well. In addition, companies also enjoy significantly reduced expenses in the areas of maintenance and utility costs.

These savings are achieved by extending the life of the equipment through a reduction in the run time of the unit by 50-60 percent while still providing the increased production previously mentioned. The advancements generated by Barton systems will allow our country to automate the some 300,000 plus wells in the United States, generating production increases here at home, thus alleviating our dependence on the Middle East.

Major oil and gas companies are now field testing, evaluating and placing orders for Barton's family of automation products including Gas Flow Measurement, On-Line BTU Analyzer and Pump-Off Plus. Barton's Integrated Technology Systems Division looks forward to a very active and prosperous year in 1991.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Friday, September 28, 1990, the board of directors of Dreyfus Strategic Municipals, Inc. (NYSE, Symbol:LEO) declared from net investment income its monthly cash dividend of $0.065 per share of common stock, payable on October 26, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on October 12, 1990. The previous cash dividend paid in September was also $0.065 per share.

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Legal Department, 212/922-6808

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WILMINGTON, MASS. (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Kevlin Microwave Corporation (NASDAQ National Market System:KVLM) Friday announced that it has repurchased 145,000 shares of its Common Stock at an average price of $1.125 per share in transactions effected today.

The sellers were not disclosed.

Ernest W. Lattanzi, Chairman/CEO of Kevlin commented, ''We stated in a September 14th announcement that we planned to repurchase the stock from time to time because the Board felt it was undervalued in the market and because of our confidence in Kevlin's long-term prospects. We may still, in the future, repurchase additional Kevlin stock depending upon its price and availability.'' Kevlin Microwave Corporation is a leading supplier of microwave rotary couplers and high frequency connectors and components which are sold to the major manufacturers of modern radar and communications systems.

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PARAMUS, N.J. (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Drivefone Inc. (NASDAQ:DFON) announced that the company has signed a definitive joint venture agreement with OTRON Corp. of Seoul, Korea.

OTRON is a 30-year-old manufacturer of telecommunications equipment and computer peripherals with revenues in excess of $100 million annually. The joint venture company intends to develop Advanced Digital Wireless Personal Communications systems to be marketed on a worldwide basis.

Drivefone is awaiting approval from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for experimental licenses to test Personal Communications Networks (PCNs) in the cities of New York, Philadelphia and Boston. These cities will be utilized to test various transmission techniques in the 900 MHz band in order to develop systems and products for eventual commercial application.

Other projects initially planned include development of AMPS compatible digital/analog cellular phones.

For the interim, the joint venture will operate from Drivefone's corporate offices in Paramus, N.J. A core staff will be assembled shortly in the areas of design, engineering, administration and marketing. The joint venture will utilize the resources of the two partners, as well as an outside consulting staff.

Drivefone Inc. has over six years of experience in the cellular communications business as a distributor, carrier agent and manufacturer. The company is a national distributor of cellular telephones, accessories and pagers.

Additionally, Drivefone Inc. is a national activator of cellular numbers, and manufactures and distributes the LuxCel line of transportable phones, antennas and accessories.

Headquarterd in Paramus, N.J., Drivefone Inc. has branch offices in Norwalk, Conn. and Waltham, Mass.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Dividends were declared Friday for five of Kemper Financial Services Inc.'s closed end funds.

All dividends are payable Oct. 31, to shareholders of record on Oct. 15.

Kemper High Income Trust (NYSE symbol: KHI) declared a monthly dividend of 10 cents per share. Its initial offering was April 21, 1988.

Kemper Intermediate Government Trust (NYSE Symbol: KGT) declared a monthly dividend of $0.0734 per share. Its initial offering was July 21, 1988.

Kemper Municipal Income Trust (NYSE symbol: KTF) declared a monthly dividend of $0.0725 per share. Its initial offering was Oct. 20, 1988.

Kemper Multi-Market Income Trust (NYSE symbol: KMM) declared a monthly dividend of $0.117 per share. Its initial offering was Jan. 23, 1989.

Kemper Strategic Municipal Income Trust (NYSE symbol: KSM) declared a monthly dividend of $0.075 per share. Its initial offering was March 22, 1989.

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MONTGOMERY, AL (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Blount Inc. (ASE:BLT.A) Friday announced it is negotiating with Ogden Projects Inc., for the sale of Blount's waste-to-energy subsidiary, Blount Energy Resource Corp. (BERC), to Ogden.

Terms of the discussions were not disclosed. Blount is hopeful that the execution of a definitive agreement and the consummation of the transaction

will occur prior to the end of the calendar year.

R. William Van Sant, Blount Inc. president and chief operating officer, said, ''The discussions with Ogden are the result of Blount's previously announced decision to find a qualified buyer or significant joint venture partner for BERC. This supports our long-term strategy to focus on our core manufacturing and construction businesses.''

BERC currently operates waste-to-energy facilities in Warren County, N.J., and Hennepin County, Minn., and has been selected to build and operate a facility in Quonset Point, R.I. Blount Inc. is an international manufacturing and construction company headquartered in Montgomery.

Ogden Projects Inc., through its wholly owned subsidiary Ogden Martin Systems Inc., is the nation's leading builder and operator of waste-to-energy facilities serving counties and municipalities. Ogden currently operates 15 waste-to-energy facilites, is constructing five and has been awarded an additional seven projects. When all of its projects are completed, Ogden will be srving more than 13 million citizens in 15 states.

CONTACT: Blount Inc., Montgomery
Dave Rickey, 205/244-4369

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Powell Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:POWL) reported that at a regularly scheduled meeting of its board of directors held Friday, the board rejected all offers received to purchase its wholly-owned subsidiary, Powell-Process Systems Inc. (PSI).

According to Thomas W. Powell, chairman and chief executive officer of Powell Industries Inc., ''Although we received several bona fide purchase offers, none of those offers reflected the positive turn-around which we have been able to achieve in PSI operations during the past year.

''From a significant pre-tax loss in fiscal 1989, PSI is now operating slightly above break even and we are confident further significant improvements can be made. For this reason, we are withdrawing it from the market and will shortly announce a reorganization of the management of PSI which should further enhance its prospects for future success.''

In the third quarter of fiscal 1989, a formal plan for the sale of PSI was adopted and this business segment has subsequently been accounted for as ''Discontinued Operations.'' The decision not to sell the subsidiary will require a restatement of prior earnings to eliminate the ''discontinued'' designation.

However, according to J.F. Ahart, vice president and chief financial officer, ''the effect of the restatement on current fiscal year results will not be material, in fact, quite insignificant.''

Powell-Process Systems Inc. designs, manufactures and sells microprocessor-based distributed control equipment under the trade name MICON. MICON Systems are used for control of boilers, compressors, columns and other industrial processes.

Powell Industries Inc. designs, manufactures and packages electrical generation, control and distribution equipment.

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J.F. Ahart, 713/947-4422

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Swiss Bank Corp. (SBC) has announced that after a successful tenure of over six years in top management positions at SBC's investment banking subsidiaries in London and New York, Steven Kaempfer has decided not to renew his contract with SBC which expires at the end of this year.

Accordingly, he will relinquish his current responsibilities as president and chief executive officer of SBCI Swiss Bank Corp. Investment Banking Inc. in New York, a position which he has held for the last 3-1/2 years.

Simon Canning, currently executive vice president of SBCI Swiss Bank Corp. Investment Banking Inc., has been appointed as Kaempfer's successor and will assume his new responsibilities on Oct. 15.

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BRANFORD, CT. (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Echlin Inc. (NYSE: ECH), for its fourth quarter ended August 31, 1990, reported earnings per share of $0.25, compared with $0.06 earned in the fourth quarter last year. Frederick J. Mancheski, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, announced the results.

For the entire fiscal year, Echlin's earnings amounted to $0.85 per share, up 6 percent from last year's $0.80 per share. Fourth Quarter Results

Net sales in the fourth quarter totaled $427.7 million, a 15 percent increase

from sales of $373.1 million reported in the same period last year. Approximately one-third of the increase was from comparable operations (those which were part of Echlin in both fiscal years).

The remainder was due to sales from acquired businesses, principally Hobourn Group Ltd., a U.K. manufacturer of fuel system products and water, oil, and power steering pumps, and Vera Imported Parts Corp., a U.S. importer/distributor of replacement parts for imported vehicles. Unit sales of comparable operations were down about 3 percent this quarter.

Net income after tax in the fourth quarter this year was $13.5 million, compared with $3.2 million in last year's fourth quarter.

This year's profits were reduced by $5.3 million due to a one-time charge related to closing a Canadian forging operation. Last year's fourth quarter profits were reduced by $6.2 million before taxes relating to the writedown of an investment and a litigation settlement, offset by a gain of $3.7 million before taxes associated with the sale of idle facilities.

Excluding the non-recurring adjustments in both years, fourth-quarter earnings per share would have been $0.35 in 1990 compared with $0.10 in 1989.

For the 12 months ended August 31, 1990, net sales totaled $1.601 billion, up 10 percent from last year's $1.454 billion. Approximately 3 of the 10 percent increase was due to comparable operations, while 7 percent was from acquired businesses' sales. Unit volume for comparable operations declined about 2 percent for the entire year.

Net income in fiscal 1990 totaled $47.2 million, up 6 percent from the previous year's $44.4 million. A combination of unit sales declines, costs of raw material, labor and services rising faster than sales price increases, higher currency translation expense, and plant closure costs contributed to squeeze Echlin's net profit margin.

''We believe the motor vehicle parts aftermarket will begin to turn around and start growing again in 1991,'' Mr. Mancheski said. ''We are continuing to grow in high growth markets outside the U.S., including Europe, Latin and South America. Net income will benefit both from unit sales increases, and from ongoing improvements in operations.''

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Paul R. Ryder, 203/481-5751

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BRANFORD, CT (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Echlin Inc. has elected C. Scott Greer president, following the resignation of Roger H.

Storey.

The Board also elected Frank R. O'Keefe Jr. a director, to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Storey's departure. Echlin's Chairman, Frederick J. Mancheski, made the announcements responsibility for most of Echlin's operations.

O'Keefe was formerly chairman and chief executive officer of Armtek Corporation, an automotive parts, component and systems manufacturer. Before that, he was president of Robert Bosch Corporation, and held executive positions at General Electric Company.

''Scott Greer has shown an exceptional ability to build our business units' sales and profits, and we look forward to his overall leadership,'' Mancheski said. ''Frank O'Keefe's addition to our Board will bring to Echlin many years of experience in our industry, which we feel is invaluable.''

Echlin is a worldwide manufacturer and distributor of motor vehicle replacement parts, with annual sales of $1.6 billion.

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#90271b0796 09/28/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Wolf Financial Group Inc., New York, (NASDAQ:WOFG) Friday announced results of operations for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

The company had net income of $587,667 or 9 cents per share compared to net income of $1,865,812, or 29 cents per share (including a 2 cents per share extraordinary item relating to the tax benefit resulting from a capital loss carry forward) for fiscal 1989.

Income before taxes and extraordinary item was $601,422 and $3,085,181 for fiscal 1990 and 1989, respectively. Revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 were $29,096,747 compared to $30,291,539 for fiscal 1989.

The weighted average number of shares outstanding was 5,558,957 during fiscal 1990 and 5,529,203 during fiscal 1989. The company said that its first quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 is expected to be impacted by adverse market conditions.

The company also announced the appointment of James H. Petrantis as executive vice president and treasurer. Petrantis, who has served as the corporation's controller since 1983, will also be chief financial officer.

Wolf Financial Group is engaged, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, F.N. Wolf & Co. Inc., in securities trading, investment banking and brokerage activities.

CONTACT: Wolf Financial Group Inc., New York
Franklin N. Wolf, 212/635-5666

-30- 1534
#90271b0805 09/28/1990 ~Business Wire
OSHKOSH, WI (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Oshkosh Truck Corp. (NASDAQ:OTRKB) announced that the government approval process for the Army's $1.1 billion order for Palletized Load System trucks was completed Friday with the signing of the contract.

In July, the Army announced that Oshkosh Truck Corp.'s vehicle was selected as their choice in the competition for its new generation heavy duty cargo hauling truck. First year funding for this 5-year contract is $31 million for 79 vehicles.

The contract calls for a total of 2,626 Palletized Load System vehicles and associated equipment and contains an option for the purchase of additional units. Production is scheduled to begin during November 1991, and end during August 1995. The prime mission for the 500 horsepower, five axle, 10 wheel drive truck is the transporting of ammunition and other heavy cargo on pallets that can be automatically loaded and unloaded off the back of the truck. The cost-saving Palletized Load System permits the army to maximize cargo movement while minimizing the number of vehicles and personnel.

CONTACT: Oshkosh Truck Corp., Oshkosh
Charles J. Hulsebosch, 414/235-9150, ext. 2332

-30- 1370
#90271b0816 09/28/1990 ~Business Wire
LANSING, MI (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Joseph D. Reid, chairman and chief executive officer of Capitol Bancorp Ltd. (NASDAQ/NMS:CBCL) announced Friday that the board of directors has declared an 11 for 10 stock split effective Nov. 1 for all shareholders of record Oct. 8.

The common stock will be included in the next expansion of the NASDAQ National Market System (NMS) under the symbol (CBCL). Stockbrokers will be able to provide last-sale prices and up-to-the-second volume information on the company's common stock for their customers throughout the trading day. The stock prices will also be included in the stock table in periodic editions of the Wall Street Journal, the New York Times, Barron's, the Lansing State Journal, the Ann Arbor News and the Kalamazoo Gazette.

In addition, Capitol Bancorp Ltd. is pleased to report that their new wholly-owned subsidiary, Ann Arbor Commerce Bank, will commence business operations on Monday, Oct. 1.

Capitol Bancorp Ltd. presently represents Portage Commerce Bank in Portage, Mich., and Capitol National Bank in Lansing, Mich.

Capitol Bancorp Ltd. currently holds assets on a consolidated basis of over $97 million which includes equity of nearly $14 million as of Aug. 31.

CONTACT: Capitol Bancorp Ltd., Lansing
Joseph D. Reid or Linda D. Pavona, 517/487-6555

-30- 1501

#90271b0820 09/28/1990 ~Business Wire

EATONTOWN, NJ (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Roberts Pharmaceutical Corp. (NASDAQ: RPCX, BSE: RPC) Friday announced its results for the fiscal year ended June 30.

Revenues were $1,687,500 compared to $5,832,400 in fiscal 1989. The net loss for the year was $4,713,100, or 85 cents per share, compared to net income of $130,800 representing less than 1 cent per share in the prior year.

In making the announcement, Dr. Robert A. Vukovich, chairman and president, said, ''The results for 1990 are in line with management's expectations and reflect the company's continuing research activities, particularly direct expenditures of more than $3.2 million on development for the company's clinical and pre-clinical stage products, primarily Radinyl, the company's radiosensitizer being developed to enhance the anticancer effects of radiation therapy; Somagard, a drug used in treating central precocious puberty, and Maxivent, a novel bronchodilator to be used in the treatment of asthma.''

He added, ''The results are not comparable to 1989 which included the benefit of greater revenues from license fees and one-time research funding from the company's 50 percent owned joint venture company.''

Vukovich also pointed to an increase in the company's total assets reflecting the proceeds of more than $14 million from the sale of the company's common stock in a private placement in November 1989, and the successful completion of an initial public offering of 2.3 million common shares in January and February 1990. At year-end, Roberts Pharmaceutical had more than $11.7 million in cash and marketable securities.

In another development, Roberts and the Upjohn Co. (NYSE:UPJ) jointly announced the conclusion of an agreement whereby Upjohn sold all rights in the United States, Canada, United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland to Roberts for several professionally promoted proprietary brands.

The companies also concluded agreements whereby Upjohn would continue to manufacture and distribute the products on Roberts' behalf in the near-term. Roberts has announced that it will assume the marketing and promotion of these products at once. Upon conclusion of the manufacturing and distribution agreements with Upjohn, Roberts will assume full responsibilities for these functions as well.

While the terms of the agreement were not announced, the transaction includes the purchase of current inventory, trademarks, sales data, marketing material and other intagible assets.

Spokesmen for both companies announced that they were very pleased with the arrangements and that they looked forward to a mutually beneficial relationship.

Roberts is engaged in the business of acquiring, developing and marketing pharmaceutical products primarily for use in the treatment of cancer, asthma, cardiovascular disease, endocrine disorders, acute and chronic pain, urinary incontinence, and iron overload conditions. The company currently has 19 products under development, of which seven are in late stages of the development cycles. Most of the proceeds of the initial public offering are expected to be used in furthering the development programs for these products.

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by
KCS&A Public Relations, New York
Les Schupak or Joseph Mansi, 212/682-6300

-30- 3585

#90271b0824 09/28/1990 ~Business Wire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - AM International Inc. Friday reported that its lenders have extended the waiver on certain requirements of the company's Revolving Credit Agreement while the parties continue negotiations on an amended agreement.

The waiver runs through Oct. 30.

AM International, with world headquarters in Chicago, sells and services a wide range of design, display, reproduction and finishing products and supplies to the worldwide graphics industry.

The company conducts its business through three divisions, 17 subsidiaries and a dealer organization located in over 100 countries. AM International's annual revenues are about $900 million. AM International's common and preferred shares are traded on the New York, Pacific and Midwest Stock Exchanges under

the ticker symbol ''AM.'' The company's warrants are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol ''AML.WS.''

CONTACT: AM International, Chicago
Marion G. Durk, 312/558-7950

-30- 1169

#90271c0003 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Convoy Capital Corp.(TICKER: CNVC) announced that it has entered into a private placement to raise $2 million by issuing 3.17 units at $0.63 per unit.

Each unit will consist of one share of the company and a non-transferable share purchase warrant convertible into one further share of Convoy by payment in the first year of $0.63 per share; in the second year, $0.73 per share; and in the third year, $0.83 per share.

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#90271c0004 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Tons of Toys Inc.(TICKER: TONS) lost $2.02 million, or $0.77 per share, on revenues of $2.50 million for the quarter ended July 28, 1990.

This compares with losses of $1.51 million, or $0.57 per share, on revenues of $5.38 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90271c0005 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Lund International Holdings Inc.(TICKER: LUND) lost $1.89 million, or $0.39 per share, on revenues of $13.25 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $2.05 million, or $0.44 per share, on revenues of $12.07 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90271c0007 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Cistron Biotechnology (TICKER: CIST) earned $188,434 (including an extraordinary gain of $66,000), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.10 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $301,391 (including an extraordinary gain of $120,375), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $945,631 for the fiscal year

ended June 30, 1989.

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#90271c0008 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows DVI Financial Corp.(TICKER: DVIC) earned $873,094, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $13.84 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $540,160, or $0.18 per share, on revenues of $8.59 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90271c0009 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:39 that trade in Chester County Bancshares (NASDAQ: CCBA) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 10 1/2.

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#90271c0010 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows International Focus Resources Inc.(TICKER: IFSS) on June 11, 1990, completed a financing involving a private placement completed in Canada with CMP 1990 Resource Partnership and Co. Ltd. for 807,899 shares of common stock at $1.114 (Canadian dollars).

These were "flow through" shares where the income tax benefits associated with the oil and gas exploration efforts accrue to the investors, not the company.

The company raised $900,000 in the private placement, including $270,000 of Canadian Exploration Incentive Program (CEIP) grants from the federal government.

Additionally, the company issued 100,000 shares of common stock pursuant to an agreement whereby it acquired a 49% interest in a precious metals property in the Kamloops Mining Division of Canada.

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#90271c0011 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Seagate Technology(TICKER: SGAT) earned $117.24 million, or $1.92 per share, on revenues of $2.41 billion for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $349,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $1.37 billion for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90271c0012 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows HDR Power Systems Inc.(TICKER: HDRP) earned $189,896, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $8.98 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.13 million, or $0.57 per share, on revenues of $12.06 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90271c0013 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Molex Inc.(TICKER: MOLX) earned $62.09 million, or $1.24 per share, on revenues of $594.37 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $57.70 million, or $1.14 per share, on revenues of $571.89 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90271c0015 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Applied Biosystems Inc.(TICKER: ABIO) earned $6.09 million, or $0.43 per share on revenues of $158.89 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $19.26 million, or $1.38 per share, on revenues of $158.06 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90271c0016 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Stewart Sandwiches Inc.(TICKER: STEW) earned $1.55 million (including an extraordinary gain of $2.94 million), or $0.88 per share, on revenues of $31.51 million for the fiscal year ended June 29, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $1.23 million, or $0.69 per share, on revenues of $34.44 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90271c0017 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows PVC Container Corp.(TICKER: PVCC) earned $427,628, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $27.51 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $407,245, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $28.94 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90271c0018 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:27 that trade in THT Inc.(NASDAQ: TXHI) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 13/32, 1/2. The company is located in Newark, NJ.

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#90271c0019 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - Interlake Corp.(TICKER: IK) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer $200 million of senior subordinated increasing rate notes due 1998.

The notes bear a variable rate of interest based on LIBOR plus a spread, with a maximum annual interest rate of 18 percent and a minimum annual interest rate of 12 1/8 percent.

The company is a diversified multinational company operating in two business segments, engineered materials and handling/packaging systems.

The company's executive office is located at 701 Harger Road, Oak Brook, Illinois 60521-1488. Its telephone number is (708) 572-6600.

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#90271c0020 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - Entech Recovery Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 3 million shares of its common stock.

Entech is a wholly-owned subsidiary of C.P. Chemicals Inc.

Upon completion of this offering, C.P. Chemicals will beneficially own 75 percent of the outstanding common stock of Entech.

The initial public offering price of Entech common stock is still to be determined.

Alex. Brown & Sons and Smith Barney Harris Upham & Co. are managing the offering.

Entech is a recycler of hazardous metal-containing chemical waste.

The company's executive office is located at One Parker Plaza, Fort Lee, New Jersey 07024.

Its telephone number is (201) 944-6020.

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#90271c0021 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - Metropolitan Financial Corp.(TICKER: MFC) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of cumulative perpetual preferred stock, Series B and one one warrant to purchase one-half share of common stock of the company.

The offering price per unit is $25.00.

Dain Bosworth and Piper Jaffray & Hopwood are managing the offering.

Metropolitan Financial is a regional thrift holding company operating primarily in the states of North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

The last reported sale price per share of the common stock of Metropolitan Financial as reported by the New York Stock Exchange on Sept. 26, 1990 was $9.75.

The company has made application for quotation of the units and warrants on the NASDAQ system and the preferred stock on the NASDAQ National Market System.

Metropolitan Financial's executive office is located at 1500 Lincoln Centre, 333 South 7th Street, Minneapolis, MN 55402 and its telephone number is (612) 339-8859.

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#90271c0023 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - Vitrifix of North America Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1,833,333 units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock, one Class A warrant and one Class B warrant.

The initial public offering price is $3.00 per unit.

J. Gregory & Co. is underwriting the offering.

Vitrifix was formed to exploit a license to a process which, through the application of extreme heat to a mixture of asbestos and asbestos-contaminated waste material (ACM) and cullet (waste glass) in a specially modified, electrically powered, vitrification furnace, is designed to destroy asbestos and ACM, leaving a residue of harmless, inert glass pellets.

The company's executive office is located at 1321 Duke Street, Suite 304, Alexandria, Virginia 22314. Its telephone number is (703) 684-1090.

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#90271c0024 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - Digital Biometrics Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1.25 million shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is $3.00 per share.

R.J. Steichen & Co. and J.W. Gant & Associates are underwriting the offering.

Digital Biometrics is a development stage company engaged in the development, manufacture and assembly of fingerprint recording and identification products based on electro-optical imaging technologies.

The company's executive office is located at 5600 Rowland Road, Suite 205, Minnetonka, MN 55343. Its telephone number is (612) 932-0888.

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#90271c0025 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY EMERGING GROWTH PARTNERS LP OF BALTIMORE, MD OWN 225,000 SHARES (5.01%) OF SAFEGUARD HEALTH ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: SFGD) OF ANAHEIM, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90271c0026 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

MIM OWNS 10,353,363 SHARES (24.98%) OF ASARCO INC (TICKER: AR) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 10, 1990, MIM and Asarco Inc. entered into an agreement extending the mutual undertakings contained in the Asarco agreement until July 17, 1993.

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#90271c0027 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - Zwol Co. Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer up to 5 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and two common stock purchase warrants.

The initial public offering price is $0.10 per unit.

Alliance Securities Corp. is underwriting the offering.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 5920 Pembroke Drive, Reno, Nevada 89502.

Its telephone number is (702) 331-6311.

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#90271c0028 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - Tolmex, S.A. de C.V. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer up to 1.80 million American Depositary Shares.

Each ADS represents the right to receive 10 shares of Series B common stock of Tolmex.

Tolmex manufactures and distributes gray cement, ready-mix concrete and

clinker (an intermediate product obtained from the mixture of limestone and clay with iron oxide).

The ADSs may be quoted on the pink sheets provided by the National Quotation Bureau.

The Series B common stock is listed and traded on the Mexican Stock Exchange.

The company's executive office is located at Avenida Constitucion 4444 Poniente, Apartado Postal 392, 64000 Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico.

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#90271c0029 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - Vindicator of Florida Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 700,000 shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is $4.50 per share.

PCI Financial Services Inc. is underwriting the offering.

The company was incorporated on Dec. 11, 1985 to investigate, construct, own and operate facilities that will use gamma radiation produced by cobalt 60 to treat or process various foods for insect disinfestation, shelf life extension and control of certain disease causing microorganisms.

The process of food irradiation will involve placing the food on a conveying system to be carried into a chamber where a predetermined dose of radiation will be applied.

The company's executive office is located at 1801 Thonotosassa Road, Suite 3, Plant City, Florida 33566.

Its telephone number is (813) 752-3364.

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#90271c0031 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - Quigley Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposese to offer 3 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock, and three warrants.

The offering price is $0.15 per unit.

Concorde Brokerage Corp. is underwriting the offering.

Quigley Corp.'s business purpose is to develop, manufacture and market a line of natural nutritious health supplements, or "nutri-bars" that will combine nutritional value and candylike qualities.

The company's executive office is located at 29 West Court Street, Doylestown, PA 18901.

Its telephone number is (215) 345-0919.

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#90271c0032 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:25 that trade in Chester County Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: CCBA) has been resumed. The first bid was 8; down 2-1/2 points from the halt and previous close.

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#90271c0033 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 16

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a letter to unitholders, Permian (TICKER: PPA) urges its unitholders to tender their shares as soon as possible if they intend to do so.

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#90271c0034 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

B. MILLS OWNS 221,246 SHARES (4.50%) OF CENTRAL SPRINKLER CORP (TICKER: CNSP) OF LANDSDALE, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The original filing failed to take into account a 5 for 4 stock split as of Mar. 31, 1990 and is being corrected in this amendment.

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#90271c0035 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY J.P. LENNANE OF SACRAMENTO, CA OWNS 1,283,100 SHARES (9.67%) OF ASK COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: ASKI) OF MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 27, 1990, Lennane, Bowers and Cresci entered into the committee agreement, in which they agreed to be members of a slate of directors nominated by the Ask Shareholders Committee for election to the board of Ask Computer Systems Inc., to participate in the anticipated proxy contest and to solicit proxies in favor of the election of such slate and other proposals put forth by the committee.

PURPOSE:

Committee agreement.

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#90271c0036 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOC LP OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 60,000 SHARES (4.60%) OF PRIME BANCORP (TICKER: PSAB) OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Harris Assoc. LP sold 40,000 shares on Sept. 18-19, 1990 for $11.13 to $11.31 per share.

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#90271c0037 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J.B. REECE 1981 REVOCABLE TRUST OWNS 309,262 SHARES (12.20%) OF REECE CORP (TICKER: RCE) OF WALTHAM, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The shares acquired by J.B. Reece 1981 Revocable Trust as trustees of the trust were transferred from the estate of J.B. Reece to the trust following the death of Mr. Reece.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90271c0039 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

A. HOFFMAN OF BOCA RATON, FL OWNS 427,123 SHARES (8.50%) OF PARK ELECTROCHEMICAL CORP (TICKER: PKE) OF LAKE SUCCESS, FL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

A. Hoffman purchased 14,200 shares from July 16 to Aug. 22, 1990 for $11.50 to $14 per share and sold 71,900 shares on Aug. 31, 1990 for $11.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90271c0040 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 27, 1990 the FTC notified ASK, EDS, and HP that it had granted early termination of the HSR Act as it applied to the sale of ASK common shares to EDS and HP. On Sept. 26, 1990 James P. Lennane, a holder of 9.7 percent of ASK common shares, filed a complaint in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware against ASK and its directors. The complaint alleges that ASK's proposed sale of $60 million of common shares to Electronic Data Systems Corp. and Hewlett-Packard Co. without stockholder approval would be a violation of NASD rules and breach of fiduciary duty of ASK's directors to its stockholders. Lennane's request for expedited discovery was granted by the

court on Sept. 27; a hearing for a preliminary injunction will be held prior to Oct. 12, 1990. ASK has indicated that it intends to vigorously defend the lawsuit and proceed with the closing proposed sale of stock to EDS and HP as planned as well as the offer and the merger. Lennane has notified the chairman of ASK of his intent to seek control of ASK's board through a proxy solicitation for ASK's Oct. 26 annual meeting.

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#90271c0041 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 26, 1990 Ingres Corp.(TICKER: RELY) was advised by ASK Computer Systems Inc. that James P. Lennane, a holder of 9.7 percent of ASK common shares, filed a complaint in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware against ASK and its directors. The complaint alleges that ASK's proposed sale of $60 million of common shares to Electronic Data Systems Corp. and Hewlett-Packard Co. without stockholder approval would be a violation of NASD rules and breach of fiduciary duty of ASK's directors to its stockholders. Lennane's request for expedited discovery was granted by the court on Sept. 27; a hearing for a preliminary injunction will be held prior to Oct. 12, 1990. ASK has indicated that it intends to vigorously defend the lawsuit and proceed with the closing proposed sale of stock to EDS and HP as planned as well as the offer and the merger. Lennane has notified the chairman of ASK of his intent to seek control of ASK's board through a proxy solicitation for ASK's Oct. 26 annual meeting.

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#90271c0042 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 49

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 27, 1990 Apple Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: APK) announced that its counsel was in the process of finalizing the arrangements with counsel for Stanley Stahl which would enable Stahl to complete his $38 per share tender offer.

-30- 456
#90271c0043 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:58 that trade in

THT Inc.(NASDAQ: TXHI) has been resumed. The first bid was 3/8; down 1/32 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90271c0044 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Barringer Resources Inc.(TICKER: BARR) announced the resignation of Frank J. Abella Jr. as a director of the company.

Abella was terminated as vice chairman and chief executive officer on July 18, 1990, by the board.

The company stated Abella said the reason for his resignation was that his authority had been consistently undermined.

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#90271c0045 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Environmental Services of America Inc.(TICKER: ESAI) earned $229,673, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $3.42 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $3,601, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $1.59 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 510

#90271c0047 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows KLA Instruments Corp.(TICKER: KLAC) earned $9.38 million, or $0.52 per share, on revenues of $167.92 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $11.68 million, or $0.65 per share, on revenues of $165.46 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 517

#90271c0048 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Ramsay-HMO Inc.(TICKER: RHMO) earned $2.38 million (including an extraordinary loss of $841,000), or $0.78 per share, on revenues of $108.31 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $5.90 million, or $4.53 per share, on revenues of $90.52 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 557
#90271c0049 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows First Woburn Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: WOBS) lost $17.45 million, or $5.44 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $10.63 million, or $2.94 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 463
#90271c0050 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows the Charming Shoppes Inc.(TICKER: CHRS) earned $10.25 million, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $220.58 million for the 13 weeks ended Aug. 4, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $11.75 million, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $201.03 million for the 13 weeks ended July 29, 1989.

-30- 515
#90271c0051 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Daedalus Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: DDLE) reports it has elected to change independent public accountants as part of its growth plan.

The company engaged the firm of Deloitte & Touche as of Sept. 10, 1990, to audit company accounts for the fiscal year ending July 31, 1991.

C.H. Rubin & Co. will continue to provide audit services to the company for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

-30- 605
#90271c0052 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the trust department of one of Colorado National's (TICKER: COLC) subsidiary banks has an interest in real property designated by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as a "Superfund Site" due to hazardous waste materials on the property, consisting of, among others, creosote and pentachlorophenol.

The EPA has stated that it may seek recovery of the cleanup costs from other assets held in the same trusts, and the beneficiaries of those trusts have threatened a surcharge action against Colorado National if the EPA is successful in recovering from those other assets.

No actions have yet been taken, the company reports, by the EPA either against the bank as trustee or against the other assets the bank holds in these trusts.

The bank reports it believes it has meritorious defenses against any claims that may be brought by the EPA or beneficiaries and that any such actions will be vigorously contested.

-30- 1165

#90271c0053 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Monolite Industries, formerly Innovative Medical Technology, reported the following executive changes:

Steve Lopez, president and director of Monolite, resigned; Suzy Frost resigned as secretary-treasurer and director; and on Sept. 17, 1990, at a special board of directors meeting, Ronald W. Huegli was elected to serve out the term of office vacated by Lopez.

Huegli was elected as president and chairman of the board of the company on July 17, 1990.

Additionally, Brian Burgoyne was elected to the board of directors to fill the vacancy in the office of vice president.

Burgoyne also will serve out Frost's term as secretary-treasurer.

In other news, Monolite Industries changed its transfer agent from Jersey Transfer and Trust to First Interstate Bank of Washington, due to its proximity to the new corporate headquarters, on Sept. 10, 1990.

The Portland, Oregon, office of Deloitte & Touche was chosen on Sept. 10, 1990 to serve as the company's new accounting firm.

Additionally, Edward Trompke, in the Portland, Oregon office of Brownstein, Rash, Sweeney, Kerr, Grim and DeSylvia, will serve as legal counsel for Monolite.

Monolite's executive office is located at 315 Grand Blvd., Vancouver, Washington 98661 and its telephone number is (206) 693-7855.

-30- 1522

#90271c0055 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that on Sept. 14, 1990, the U.S. Second Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed the company's conviction and $173,650 fine for fraud in the conduct of Biopharmaceutics Inc.'s(TICKER: BPH) previously operated Medicare/Medicaid business, which was discontinued in early 1986.

The conviction of a former company officer and director, Barry M. Gleicher, was also affirmed.

The appeal of Steven Weiss, a former officer, is still pending.

Biopharmaceutics has been carrying a net receivable from Medicare carriers of $397,000, which has been directed not to be paid by the federal government since 1987.

It also is carrying a $173,650 reserve for the fine, imposed in August, 1989.

The company is evaluating a further appeal of the fine and other legal actions that may be available to it.

The company's executive office is located at 990 Station Road, Bellport, NY 11713 and its telephone number is (516) 286-5900.

-30- 1146
#90271c0056 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:05 that trade in Whitman Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol WH.

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#90271c0057 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P.M. LURIE OF 574 BEECH LANE, PARAMUS, NJ 07652, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF VISION CAPITAL INC. THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 21, 1990.

(VISION CAPITAL INC. TEL: 718 625-5300)

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#90271c0058 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B. BAILEY OF 33723 BAILEY MEADOWN RD, PALOMAR MTN, CA 92060, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,100 SHARES OF CCC CODED COMMUNICATIONS CORP.(TICKER: CCCCF) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 24, 1990.

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#90271c0059 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - F.S. THOMPSON OF 19773 HIGHWAY 24, LEADVILLE, CO 80461, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF APACHE ENERGY & MINERALS (TICKER: APCH) THROUGH RAF FINANCIAL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 24, 1990.

(APACHE ENERGY & MINERALS TEL: 303 233-9117)

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#90271c0060 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.C. SMITH OF 18540 WHITE OAK DR, YORBA LINDA, CA 92680, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,728 SHARES OF PRECISION AEROTECH INC. (TICKER: PAR) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 24, 1990.

(PRECISION AEROTECH INC. TEL: 619 456-2992)

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#90271c0061 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B.J. RICK OF 15 ALINA ST, FAIRPORT, NY 14450, HAS FILED TO SELL 58,621 SHARES OF UNIVERSAL CAPITAL INC. THROUGH QUICK & REILLY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 24, 1990.

(UNIVERSAL CAPITAL INC. TEL: 716 854-3573)

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#90271c0063 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J D KISH OF 6909 S HOLLY CIRLCE, SUITE 330, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII) THROUGH ASPEN CAP GROUP INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(RYAN-MURPHY INC. TEL: 303 293-3835)

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#90271c0064 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES F HOGG OF 4400 BROWNDALE RD, 0, EDINA, MN 55424, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF CAREERCOM CORP. (TICKER: CCM) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(CAREERCOM CORP. TEL: 717 939-1981)

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#90271c0065 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRY LEAVITT OF P O BOX 15517, 0, N HOLLYWOOD, CA 91615, HAS FILED TO SELL 131,731 SHARES OF PETRO-GLOBAL INC. (TICKER: PEAL) THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(PETRO-GLOBAL INC. TEL: 303 573-5038)

-30- 413
#90271c0066 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL A TAYLOR OF 171 EAST 62ND ST, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,480 SHARES OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII) THROUGH J C BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 512 346-4300)

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#90271c0067 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARACORP FINANCIAL SVCS INC OF 900 MT CASEY CT, EL DORADO HILLS, CA 95630, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,261 SHARES OF ZFAX IMAGE CORP. (TICKER: ZFAX) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 24, 1990.

(ZFAX IMAGE CORP. TEL: 214 991-9966)

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#90271c0068 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M A V T P S OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,378 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

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#90271c0069 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M A V T P S OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,757 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 411
#90271c0071 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows First Federal S&L Assn. of Nashville, Tennessee (NASDAQ Symbol: FCTN) earned $605,671, or $1.02 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $466,565, or $0.78 per share, in fiscal 1989.

-30- 472
#90271c0072 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Chesapeake Industries Inc.(TICKER: CHES) lost $121,447, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $52.22 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $691,062, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $49.09 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 471
#90271c0073 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Aug. 30, 1990, First Michigan Bank Corp.(TICKER: FMBC) entered into a letter of intent wiht Northwestern Bank Corp (NBC) regarding the proposed merger of NBC into First Michigan.

It is proposed that the form of consideration to be paid to the shareholders of NBC in connnection with the proposed merger will be a combination of common stock to be issued by First Michigan and debentures of First Michigan or the right to receive cash or its equivalent.

-30- 706
#90271c0074 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Defiance Inc.(TICKER: DEFI) earned $176,000 (including an equity in undistributed net earnings of subsidiaries of $1.73 million) on revenues of

$44,000 for the fisal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $2.55 million (equity in undistributed net earnings of subsidiaries of $3.82 million) on revenues of $83,000 in fiscal 1989.

-30- 574

#90271c0075 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows American Vision Centers Inc.(TICKER: AMVC) reporting it has been advised by Balfour Maclaine Corp.(TICKER: BML) that it has entered into a short-term credit agreement.

The credit agreement prohibits Balfour from making any investment in American Vision Centers in excesss of $400,000 in any month.

Prior to the agreement, Balfour's ability to invest in American Vision Centers had not been limited.

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#90271c0076 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Power-Cell Inc. reports on Sept. 8, 1990 it was notified by Daewoo Heavy Industries Ltd. that Daewoo was terminating negotiations with Power-Cell on a license agreement for development of Power-Cell's battery charger product.

Power-Cell reports it has commenced negotiations for production and distribution of the battery charger product with other companies and investors.

Power-Cell's executive office is located at 13737 Gamma Road, Suite B, Dallas, Texas 75244 and its telephone number is (214) 960-2249.

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#90271c0077 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Ventnor Corp. engaged the firm of Hyrnik & Associates as its independent accountants on Sept. 21, 1990, replacing Comiskey & Holscher.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not

qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

Ventnor's executive office is located at 1825 Lawrence Street, Suite 444, Denver, Colorado 80202 and its telephone number is (817) 332-4008.

-30- 994

#90271c0079 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - Wacoal Corp.(TICKER: WACLY) filed a Form 20-F with the NASD stating it earned $45.87 million, or $1.42 per share, on revenues of $876.91 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of Japanese yen 5,987, or 195 yen per share, on revenues of 128,864 yen in fiscal 1989.

NOTE: yen amounts in millions except for per share figure.

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#90271c0080 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Insituform East Inc. (TICKER: INEI) earned $1.92 million, or $0.42 per share, on revenues of $19.55 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.21 million, or $0.48 per share, on revenues of $21.21 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 479

#90271c0081 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Synergetics International Inc.(TICKER: SYNG) earned $103,809, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $350,152 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $152,160, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.58 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 485

#90271c0082 09/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Novametrix Medical Systems Inc.(TICKER: NMTX) lost $15.30 million, or $4.05 per share, on revenues of $17.86 million for the fiscal year ended April 29, 1990.

This compares with net income of $736,226, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $28.62 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 501
#90271c0083 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Q1 Corp. earned $6,020, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $72,313 for the quarter ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $3,481, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $78,568 for the same period in 1989.

The company's executive office is located at 3661D Horseblock Road, Medford, NY 11763 and its telephone number is (516) 345-5800.

-30- 576
#90271c0084 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Golden Poultry Co. Inc.(TICKER: CHIK) earned $5.73 million, or $0.54 per share, on revenues of $204.86 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $11.62 million, or $1.20 per share, on revenues of $194.79 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 484
#90271c0085 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Xenejenex Inc.(TICKER: XNJX) lost $439,940, or $0.47 per share, on revenues of $646,503 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $259,936, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $287,903 for the period from July 6, 1988 (inception) through June 30, 1989.

-30- 494
#90271c0087 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows International Barrier Corp.(TICKER: IBCO) lost $36,251, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $325,119 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $428,415, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $168,720 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 467
#90271c0088 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Knowledgeware Inc.(TICKER: KNOW) earned $9.76 million, or $0.83 per share, on

revenues of $66.23 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $6.32 million, or $0.74 per share, on revenues of $32.96 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 488
#90271c0089 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORP OF PITTSBURGH, PA OWNS 6,875,000 SHARES (67.50%) OF PHOTOCOMM INC (TICKER: PCOM) OF SCOTTSDALE, AZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 25, 1990, Photocom Inc. issued to Westinghouse Electric Corp. an additional debenture in consideration of a loan by Westinghouse Electric Corp. of $750,000, convertible at $1.50 per share. Westinghouse Electric Corp.'s stake has decreased due to the issuance of an additional 218,000 shares since March 28, 1990.

-30- 678
#90271c0090 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

UPJOHN CO OF KALAMAZOO, MI OWNS 174,000 SHARES (5.60%) OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC (TICKER: CTAI) OF ELMSFORD, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On May 16, 1990, Upjohn Co. acquired, pursuant to an option and licensing agreement dated May 11, 1990, an option to purchase 87,000 shares at $17.34 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Upjohn Co. acquired 87,000 shares from May 30 to Sept. 18, 1990 for $11.56 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90271c0091 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY FIRST EXECUTIVE CORP OF LOS ANGELES, CA OWNS 36,602,124 SHARES (41.90%) OF REGENCY EQUITIES CORP (TICKER: RGEQ) OF CRANFORD, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In Sept. 1990, the board of Regency Equities Corp. nominated Larry B. Faigin and Richard S. Ziman to stand for election to the board at the annual meeting to be held on Nov. 30, 1990. First Executive Corp. intend to vote their shares in favor of the two nominees.

-30- 635
#90271c0092 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, T.C. DANIELS, AFFILIATED PERSON OF FIRST AMERICAN BANCORP (TICKER: FASB) (AL) SOLD 2,846 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 258.

-30- 352
#90271c0093 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, C.L. NIX, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN BANCORP (AL) (TICKER: FASB) BOUGHT 2,530 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,937.

-30- 322
#90271c0095 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, J.D. SMITH, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN BANCORP (AL) (TICKER: FASB) BOUGHT 143 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,594.

-30- 322
#90271c0096 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JOHN G DANIELSON, OFFICER OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), SOLD 6,400 SHARES AT $31.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,492.

-30- 315
#90271c0097 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, WILLIAM B CHESSON, VP OF ASSOCIATED COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ACCM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 335
#90271c0098 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, STEPHEN M QUA, DIR. OF ACCEL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ACLE), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,194.

-30- 315
#90271c0099 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JOHN SIMONELLI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN DRUG SCREENS INC. (TICKER: ADSI), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $0.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 803,200.

-30- 355
#90271c0100 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 17, 1990, EVRIKA SHIPPING CORP, BEN. OWNER OF CCAIR INC. (TICKER: CCAR), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 741,909.

-30- 319
#90271c0101 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HOWARD F SIMS, DIR. OF COMERICA INC. (TICKER: CMCA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,326.

-30- 294
#90271c0103 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RICHARD K SLATER, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90271c0104 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, BRYAN C HANSEN, PRES. OF NAPA VALLEY BANCORP. (TICKER: NVBC), BOUGHT 103 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,462.

-30- 320
#90271c0105 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90271c0106 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90271c0107 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90271c0108 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90271c0109 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90271c0111 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

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#90271c0112 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

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#90271c0113 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

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#90271c0114 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

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#90271c0115 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

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#90271c0116 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

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#90271c0117 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

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#90271c0119 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 121,186.

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#90271c0120 09/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, WILLIAM H LESTER, CHAIRMAN OF WILLIAMS-SONOMA INC. (TICKER: WSGC), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,458,099.

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#90271d0090 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (SEPT. 28) - The wife of Libyan leader Moamer Kadhafi left here Friday after a private visit "for medical reasons", informed sources said.

Safia el-Kadhafi arrived in the French capital early this week accompanied by two of her four children and a cousin of her husband, Mohamed Quaddaf el-Dam, the head of the Libyan secret service.

Mrs. Kadhafi left Paris on a regular Libyan Airlines flight.

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#90271d0120 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
THORSHAVN, FAROE ISLANDS (SEPT. 28) - The three-party government coalition of the Faroe Islands, a self-governing region of Denmark, broke up late Thursday over a severe economic crisis.

The Lagting or local parliament is to decide on Monday on the date for general elections.

The coalition split after the Samband Party, which has seven members in parliament, opposed new public investments to boost the depressed economy. The 1990 budget shows a deficit of about 133 million dollars, or 30 percent.

Foreign debts totalled 1.4 billion dollars last year.

The two other parties in the coalition, the Social Democrats and the Republicans, favour work schemes to cut the steep rise in unemployment.

The former member of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA), unlike Denmark, did not become a member of the European Economic Community when Copenhagen switched from the EFTA to the EEC in 1973.

Fisheries and crafts are the archipelago's main industries.

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#90271d0180 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 28) - Business bankruptcies in England and Wales were up by 35 percent during the first nine months of the year by comparison with the same period last year, to 16,544 against 12,279, business information group Dun and Bradstreet said in a study released Friday.

That is the highest number for a nine-month period recorded by Dun and Bradstreet since it started compiling such statistics in 1980.

The study says that inflation and high interest rates were the two major causes of bankruptcy during the period. The hardest-hit regions are the southwest, up 69 percent, and the east.

The economic slowdown hsd been felt much more in those two areas than elsewhere in England and Wales because growth was higher there. Wales had an 11 percent rise in bankruptcies as between the two nine-month periods, and western England one of 18 percent.

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#90271d0300 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (SEPT. 28) - President Ibrahim Babangida promised Friday that a

multi-billion-dollar steel project for Nigeria, conceived 14 years ago and expected to mark a technological breakthrough, will be ready by 1992.

The ambitious steel complex in central Nigerian town of Ajaokuta is being constructed with the help of French, German and Japanese partners.

Commissioning rail lines and a thermal power plant together with manufacturing and repair shops, the Nigerian leader said the government was determined to see the project finished by 1992.

''Ajaokuta project is a priority project of this administration,'' he said, adding ''we are committed to see the project through during the life-span of this administration.''

Ajaokuta and a number of other projects have suffered delays or have been cancelled because of an earlier decline in the price of oil, Nigeria's economic lifeline. Some of the projects are being reviewed after inflation boosted costs.

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#90271d0440 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) - Yemen called Friday for an emergency sitting of the United Nations Security Council to debate the ''present situation in the occupied Palestinian territories''.

No further details were given by Yemen in making its application.

Observers believe Yemen's call is an attempt to swing some of the world's attention from the Gulf crisis caused by Iraq's occupation of Kuwait onto the Israeli-Arab conflict, the region's other main issue.

Yemen, along with Cuba, abstained from the U.N. Security Council's resolution in August for a sweeping trade boycott against Iraq.

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#90271d0520 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (SEPT. 28) - Leaders of the Palestinian uprising have ordered militants to "strike hard" against Israelis in the occupied territories until restrictions are lifted on a refugee camp where a soldier was killed last week.

The uprising's underground Unified Leadership, in a statement distributed in the territories and carried Friday by the Palestinian news agency WAFA, declared that militants would "chase Israeli soldiers everywhere."

It said that the leadership would "respond to the repressive Israeli measures" imposed at the Bureij refugee camp in the Gaza Strip, where an angry crowd

burned an army reservist to death in his car on September 20.

The statement declared the next few days as "days of escalation" in the West Bank and Gaza Strip and called on all militant groups "to strike hard against Israeli soldiers and settlers during those days."

It also urged Palestinan workers who work in Israel proper to stay home until the "blockade" slapped on Bureij camp is lifted.

The Israeli army has maintained a curfew on Bureij since the murder, detained scores of Palestinian suspects and destroyed some 30 homes and businesses in the camp.

The reservist, Amnon Pomerantz, was killed after accidentally driving into the camp and knocking down two Palestinian youths in an attempt to escape.

The incident has sparked outrage and anger in Israel and sharply raised tension in the occupied territories, which have been gripped by the Palestinian uprising since December 1987.

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#90271d0550 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 28) - Police were singling out people loyal to Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom Party for harrassment, a senior Inkatha official who, along with 36 others faces charges of attempted murder and illegal possession of firearms, claimed here Friday.

Themba Khoza, head of Inkatha's youth brigade in Transvaal, told a media conference here that police were siding with Nelson Mandela's African National Congress (ANC) in the wave of factional violence which has claimed close on 800 lives in black townships near here since August 13.

"Police are using the Iron Fist only on Inkatha," Mr. Khoza claimed in a reference to stringent measures introduced by the authorities to curb the fighting, which has pitted ANC supporters against those of Inkatha.

This had been the reason only Inkatha members -- himself included -- had been arrested on September 4 in Sebokeng black township south of Johannesburg, Mr. Khoza claimed.

The 137 arrests followed an alleged Inkatha attack on migrant workers' hostels in Sebokeng in which, according to police, 43 people were killed.

On Thursday, charges were dropped against 100 of those arrested while Mr. Khoza, who was allegedly found in possession of four AK-47 assault rifles, and 36 others were bailed to appear in court on October 31.

While declining to comment on the charges he faces, Mr. Khoza said he went to Sebokeng on September 4 to assist with attempts to stabilise the situation and reduce tension. "I was duty-bound as a leader to do it."

The fact that only Inkatha members had been arrested was proof of police harassment, he said.

Police spokesman Major Reg Crewe rejected the allegations out of hand, saying police acted against people breaking the law, not simply because they belonged to a particular group.

He also pointed to repeated allegations by the ANC that police were siding with Inkatha in the conflict.

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#90271d0580 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Johannesburg (SEPT. 28) - South African police said Friday they had recovered rhinoceros horns and elephant tusks worth seven million rand (about 2.7 million dollars) in raids on private homes in Johannesburg.

A taiwanese national was arrested and charged with illegally possessing 28 rhinoceros horns in the first raid by the Endangered Species Protection Unit (Espu) of the police.

Another Taiwanese citizen and a South African of Chinese descent were arrested for attempting to export 81 horns and seven elephant tusks.

The Espu said the horns had come from Malawi and were to be sent to Taiwan for use in the manufacture of aphrodisiacs and pain killers.

Police spokesman Herman Stadler said South African penalties for cases involving poaching of endangered or protected animal species were inadequate and did not constitute a deterrent when viewed against the profits made from such activities.

The three men face fines of up to 1,500 rand (about 570 dollars).

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#90271d0680 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (SEPT 28) - Turkey ordered three passenger jets to land for inspection in compliance with the United Nations air embargo against Iraq, foreign ministry sources said Friday.

The sources said a Soviet and an Indian airliner, en route to Baghdad to fly home returning nationals, were allowed to resume their journeys after being checked at Adana in southern Turkey on Thursday.

A polish passenger plane was ordered to land in Ankara for a similar inspection, the sources said.

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#90271d0690 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (SEPT 28) - The leader of Zambia's Movement for Multi-Party Democracy (MMD), Levy Mwanawasa, vowed Friday to defy a possible ban on campaigning following the ruling party's decision to hold multi-party elections next year.

"It is the intention of my movement to continue holding rallies not only to champion the formal re-introduction of pluralism but to ensure also that the methods are proper, democratic and in the interests of the people of Zambia," Mr. Mwanawasa, a lawyer, said.

The ruling United National Independence Party (UNIP) has launched its own campaign in a bid to regain popular support. President Kenneth Kaunda this week instructed the party faithful to promote a "new-look UNIP".

But senior members of the party have said it would be illegal for the MMD to continue to hold rallies until the constitution is changed to allow the formation of opposition parties.

While the government has promised to set up a commission to look into amending the consitution, opposition leaders say this could be used to delay the process.

Mr. Mwanawasa, quoting sections of the constitution concerning freedom of expression and association, said the law supported his movement's right to continue campaigning.

"We must continue to attack UNIP's policies," he said. This would maintain political awareness and ensure the ruling party did not enjoy the right to dictate the nature and pace of reforms, he added.

He also called for the resignantion of the police chief and the army commander from the policy-making central committee of the ruling party. This would ensure their impartiality, he said.

He described Zambia's state of emergency regulations as "an instrument of oppression" and called for the lifting of the powers which have been in force since 1964.

"Our fear is that out of spite (they) can be used to get rid of an awkward opposition," Mr. Mwanawasa said.

The rules effectively allow for indefinite detention without trial.

Mr. Mwanawasa welcomed the decision in principal to introduce a multi-party system, but said some recent remarks by Mr. Kaunda were "very worrying".

The president, criticising trade union leaders, has said he would not surrender the Zambian people to "that kind of chaotic leadership".

"It is not for any one individual to decide to which leadership the people of zambia should be surrendered," Mr. Mwanawasa responded.

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#90271d0710 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (SEPT. 28) - Radical Palestinian leader Abul Abbas Friday threatened reprisals for any "terrorist act" by the United States against Iraqi aircraft hit by a U.N. embargo, the Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported.

Mr. Abbas, head of the Palestine Liberation Front (PLF), said "we will respond in kind but even more violently to any terrorist aggression by the United States or its allies against an Iraqi plane in flight."

Speaking after a meeting with Iraqi Deputy Premier Taha Yassin Ramadan, the Palestinian leader described the air embargo imposed against Iraq as "declared aggression," INA said in a dispatch monitored here.

The measure approved by the U.N. Security Council Tuesday orders states to bar the departure or overflight of any aircraft carrying cargo to or from Iraq or Kuwait, but rules out destruction of the planes.

Mr. Abbas, a member of the Palestine Liberation Organisation's executive committee, claimed responsibility for an abortive commando raid on Israeli beaches in May that led to Washington suspending its dialogue with the PLO.

In a recent interview published in the United States, he indicated that he would stage attacks in support of Iraq, where he is based.

In the Israeli-occupied territories, the Palestinian group Hamas issued a statement calling for an end to the embargo, the Western build-up in the Gulf and the alleged expulsion of Palestinian students by Egypt and Saudi Arabia.

Hamas, a Moslem fundamentalist group, had previously condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and criticised the PLO for refusing to do the same.

But the fundamentalists, once bitter rivals of the PLO, earlier this month signed a cooperation agreement with the organisation's main group Fatah.

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#90271d0730 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) - Visiting Bulgarian President Zhelyu Zhelev promised an independent investigation into the possible role of the Bulgarian secret service in the 1981 attempt on Pope John Paul II's life.

"I will take it under my auspices and it will be an independent investigation, because it is in our interest to clear up this case," Mr. Zhelev said in an interview published in Friday's Washington Post.

Mr. Zhelev, who was elected to office August 1, was on an unofficial visit here and met U.S. President George Bush on Friday.

After the May 13, 1981, assassination attempt at St. Peter's Square, Rome, both Moscow and Sofia denied any link to the Turkish gunman Mehmet Ali Agca, who was tried and jailed for wounding the pope.

Italian investigators could not substantiate conspiracy charges linking two Bulgarian diplomats and the deputy manager of the Bulgarian state airline's Rome office to the attempt.

Mr. Zhelev said he had his own "highly hypothetical" theory that Bulgarian agents "might have been directed from another country that wanted Bulgarians involved, such as the (Soviet intelligence agency) KGB."

He said he personally knew Sergei Antonov, the Bulgarian airline official charged with conspiracy in the attack on the pope, whom he considered "a decent man," but suspected he "did some services" for the Bulgarian secret service while he was posted in Italy.

The Bulgarian president said he would "seek help from other intelligence services" in the new probe into the shooting.

"There already have been contacts with the CIA (the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency)," he added.

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#90271d0850 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (SEPT 29) - Sixty-four left-wing guerrillas and nine members of the security forces were killed in two separate clashes in remote jungle areas of eastern Peru, a military spokesman said Friday.

An army unit shot dead 34 of the rebels on Wednesday after they attacked a police station in the village of Nuevo Progreso, killing five and wounding 14 of the 30 occupants, the spokesman said.

The guerrillas belonged to the Maoist Shining Path Movement.

Two days earlier, 30 guerrillas and four soldiers were killed in a clash in the same region near La Merced de Locro. Troops later captured 19 rebels, the spokesman said.

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#90271d0930 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (SEPT. 28) - The Irish Republican Army (IRA) said here on Friday that it had planted a bomb which police discovered a day earlier at a conference on terrorism in London.

In a communique, the IRA said its success in getting the bomb undetected into the conference hall showed it had the capacity "to strike at will" in its campaign to reunite Ireland.

Police experts defused the bomb early Thursday, just hours before Foreign Office Minister William Waldegrave was due to speak to the conference, which was on the subject of combatting terrorism.

Police said it could have caused death and serious injury.

Mr. Waldegrave was originally to have been the opening speaker at the conference, sponsored by the Research Institute for the Study of Conflict and Terrorism.

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#90271d0940 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERANBAGHDAD (SEPT. 28) - Demonstrators chanting ''Death to America'' and ''Death to Israel'' staged a massive rally in Teheran Friday to protest against the presence of United States-led foreign forces in the Gulf.

A resolution issued at the end of the rally condemned the Saudi leadership for inviting U.S. forces to the Gulf region and to Islamic holy lands.

The resolution called for a jihad, or holy war, against the foreign forces. It condemned the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and demanded the unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces.

The ''victory and unity'' rally was also a ''celebration of Iran's recent victories'' over Iraq, namely ''the August 12 acceptance of Iran's terms for peace'', the Iranian news agency Irna said.

The ''massive'' rally was held on the last day of the ''sacred defence week'' marking the tenth anniversary of the start of the 1980-1988 Gulf war betweem Iran and Iraq.

Israel said Friday it had no knowledge of a reported offer by Iraqi President

Saddam Hussein to resettle 500,000 Palestinians from Israeli-occupied Arab territories in Kuwait, and also to desist from any provocations against Israel.

A foreign ministry spokesman in Jerusalem commenting on the report by Saudi television Thursday said Israel had not received any notification from Saddam Hussein and that the alleged offer ''sounds very strange considering his threats''.

Israeli Finance Minister Itzhak Moda'i Friday told Israeli radio that the United States has re-affirmed that it would extend military assistance to Israel in the event of an Iraqi attack. The minister was speaking on return from talks with the administration in Washington.

Last week Saddam Hussein threatened to attack Israel if the United Nations embargo economically ''strangled'' his country.

Reports reaching London and Paris Friday from Baghdad said foreigners continued to be able to buy food in the well-stocked markets. There was no official confirmation that Westerners would not be able to buy supplies from the beginning of next week.

But reports in the West said Baghdad would stop supplying food to nationals of Third World countries trapped in Iraq and Kuwait.

The United Nations disaster relief organisation Undro said in Geneva Friday that the embassies of Vietnam and Sri Lanka had been informed that as from Monday their nationals would receive no more food supplies. The rise in food prices had put food beyond the purchasing power of most of the poorer Asians, the reports added.

South Korea Friday announced the closure of its embassy in Kuwait. The ambassador and other embassy officials had arrived Thursday in Amman from Kuwait, the announcement in Seoul said.

Official sources in Ankara Friday said Turkey has refused permission for a Polish vessel to unload about 133 tons of chemicals used in the production of mustard gas and destined for Iran.

The Turkish authorities had been tipped off earlier by the American embassy in Ankara that the cargo might ultimately be destined for Iraq.

The ship's containers of neoprene and sodium cyanide had been refused landing persmission Thursday at the Turkish Mediterranean port of Mersin. Turkish government sources said the chemicals had been produced and shipped by West German firms.

The French defence ministry Friday said in Paris that the carrier Clemenceau and two accompanying vessels would be returning home after completing their

task in the Gulf crisis area. The ships had landed 42 helicopters and 65 general-purpose vehicles in Saudi Arabia.

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#90271d0990 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LJUBLJANA (SEPT. 28) - Slovenia, the northernmost republic in Yugoslavia, cut itself loose Friday from federal laws in a move that one senior politician called the first step to separation.

With only one vote against, the parliament here passed a change to the Slovenian republic's constitution that invalidates all federal laws not conforming to Slovenian law.

However a government proposal to specifically invalidate 27 federal laws failed to win the necessary two-thirds majority that had been widely expected. A fresh vote on the issue is to be taken later.

Deputies adopted another law that changes Slovenian territorial forces, a form of militia, from a federally run force to a republic unit. In a first for Yugoslavia, the parliament allowed conscripts objecting to military service to do civilian social service instead.

''This is the beginning of the concrete separation of Slovenia from Yugoslavia '' Anton Persak, the deputy speaker of the principal chamber of parliament, told the German Press Agency dpa.

''The Slovenian constititution has gained priority over the Yugoslav federal constitution,'' Justice Minister Lojze Janko told deputies. France Bucar, speaker of parliament, said Slovenia wished to turn Yugoslavia into a confederation of sovereign states.

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#90271d1030 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 28) - Natural rubber prices made up early losses during the week on nervousness relating to the situation in the Gulf, on the London physical market, traders said Friday.

The price for Ribbed Smoked Sheet No. 1 (RSS 1) for September delivery closed at 535 pounds per tonne, unchanged from the previous Friday.

The late rise occurred in the wake of the Japanese market, where rumours Friday that war had broken out in the Gulf sent share prices tumbling and commodities, such as rubber soaring, traders said.

Persistent lack of demand had affected the trend earlier in the week.

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#90271d1200 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (SEPT. 28) - Tin prices climbed strongly on the London Metal Exchange (LME) here Friday.

Traders said the metal was experiencing a "technical bull run" which could continue into next week.

Three-months metal was quoted at 6,490 dollars per ton in after-hours kerb trading, against 6,500 dollars on the ring and 6,220 Thursday.

Other LME traded metals turned lower, depressed by selling pressure from Far East markets.

Three-months copper was quoted at 1,457 pounds per ton against 1,462 on the ring and 1,483 on Thursday.

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#90271d1220 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
London (SEPT. 28) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,548.00 (1,548.00) 1,482.50 (1,452.50)
Lead 413.00 (432.00) 423.00 (442.00)
Zinc Sh 1,392.50 (1,412.50) 1,381.00 (1,391.00)
Tin 6,450.00 (6,130.00) 6,490.50 (6,217.50)
Aluminium 1,895.00 (2,077.50) 1,822.50 (1,947.50)
Nickel 10,175.00 (10,400.00) 9,762.50 (10,062.00)

(the last three in dollars per ton)

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#90271d1350 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (SEPT 28) - The president of Kazakhstan has asked for the eastern part of his Soviet republic to be declared a disaster area following a major industrial accident this month, the Soviet news agency TASS said here Friday.

President Nursultan Nazarbaiev sent a telegram to Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryjkov asking for a commission of inquiry including foreign experts to study the ecological consequences of the disaster.

The accident occurred in mid-September at the nuclear fuels plant of Ulbinski, at Ust-Kamenogorsk near the nuclear centre of Semipalatinsk.

The factory, situated in a densely-populated area, is one of the biggest iof its kind in the Soviet Union.

Highly toxic gases escaped into the atmosphere following an explosion in a part of the plant producing beryllium, a metal used in nuclear reactors. The production of beryllium involves a great deal of pollution.

The explosion caused a fire. Clouds of beryllium oxide, a highly toxic and carcinogenic gas, spread quickly through the town. A thick fog kept it from being dispersed.

TASS said that "numerous" residents of the town of Ust-Kamenogorsk were affected.

The unofficial news agency Interfax said Friday that 20,000 locals staged a demonstration to demand that all polluting plants in the region be closed down and that eastern Kazakhstan be declared an "ecological disaster zone".

It said the demonstrators wanted lead, zinc and arms factories closed down, along with better medical and social services.

TASS said residents of the town and the local authorities were both asking for urgent compensation for those whose health was affected by the accident.

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#90271d1360 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) - The U.S. Embassy in Baghdad has received no official notification that the Iraqi government will cut off food rationing cards to foreigners beginning next week, the State Department said Friday.

A spokesman said Iraqi intentions were still unclear on the matter, but that if any cutoff does occur, ''it would be a matter of very serious concern to us.''

The spokesman, Richard Boucher, said food prices were rising in the Iraqi capital and that staples such as flour, sugar, rice, and soap were being rationed.

The U.N. Disaster Relief Organisation (Undro) said Friday in Geneva that the Vietnamese and Sri Lankan embassies had been told their citizens would get no more food after October 1.

-30- 928

#90271d1400 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT 28) - British and Chinese officials said here Friday that their

talks on the future of Hong Kong, disrupted after the June 1989 massacre in Tiananmen Square, were returning to normal but acknowledged that differences on key issues remain.

"I think it's fair to say that we have returned to a more normal pattern of work," said Anthony Galsworthy, senior representative of the British team in the Sino-Britain Joint Liaison Group (JLG).

Mr. Galsworthy, speaking at the close of a three-day JLG negotiating session here, said some progress was made on issues including a new airport for Hong Kong, a British confidence-building scheme for the colony and a Hong Kong bill of rights, but added that the talks yielded "a little less than I originally hoped."

Under an agreement between London and Beijing, details of the topics discussed at JLG meetings are to be kept secret and both Mr. Galsworthy and China's senior representative, Ambassador Guo Fengmin, adhered to that rule.

But speaking at separate news conferences, both made it clear that despite differences on a number of topics surrounding the handover of Hong Kong to China in 1997, the atmosphere of the 16th JLG meeting was generally positive and both sides expressed eagerness to pursue talks at expert level.

Mr. Guo reaffirmed Beijing's opposition to the British Nationality (Hong Kong) Bill under which 50,000 key Hong Kong households would get British passports as an insurance policy aimed at encouraging key business and political leaders to remain in Hong Kong prior to 1997.

"The principal position of the Chinese government will remain unchanged," Mr. Guo said, adding that instead of keeping people in Hong Kong the British scheme "has given rise to confusion and has consequently made people want to leave Hong Kong."

But he described the differences between Beijing and London as "quite natural" and said that relations between the two countries, notably on questions surrounding Hong Kong, had improved since a visit to Beijing two months ago by Francis Maude, a former foreign office minister.

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#90271d1420 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 28) - President Saddam Hussein will address religious leaders Sunday on a Moslem holiday dominated by the "need for holy war" to free sacred sites in Saudi Arabia, the Iraqi News Agency (INA) announced Friday.

INA said President Hussein would speak during a religious ceremony marking the Maouled festival, which commemorates the prophet Mohammed's birthday.

The agency gave no details of the speech.

But it said the holiday would focus this year on the "need for Jihad (holy war) to free the two holy mosques from the occupiers, after the treason of the one who named himself their guardian," referring to Saudi King Fahd.

On August 10, a few days after the arrival of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, President Hussein called for holy war against Saudi leaders to free the holy Moslem sites of Mecca and Medina.

INA said the celebration of Maouled this year comes at a time when Iraq, "led by the religious knight Saddam Hussein is facing the most aggressive and pernicious imperialistic and Zionist crusade... against the heroic resistance of the Iraqi people."

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#90271d1440 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ZURICH (SEPT. 28) - The Zurich stock market dropped by almost two per- cent on Friday in thin trading, under the influence of Wall Street's weakness and a downtrend on most European markets, operators said.

Zurich stocks were also depressed by high oil prices, uncertainties about the U.S. budget deficit, and the issue of the real cost of German unification.

The Swiss Performance Index broke down through the 900-point level, losing 18.1 points on the day to finish at 894.5 (off 1.98 percent). The Credit Swiss index ended the day at 479.1, against 490.0 at the Thursday close.

Most sectors except transport lost ground. In construction, the Holderbank participation certificate plunged by 16.05 percent, and Cementia's was off 8.33 percent.

Chemicals were also hit, Roche bearer stock giving up 3.22 percent, and Sandoz registered 2.08 percent.

In Machines, the Rieter participation certificate jumped by 8.57 percent, and Sig was up 5.6 percent.

Operators said they did not expect any reversal of the downtrend in the near future, though there might be technical rallies.

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#90271d1460 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 28) - The Soviet Chukotskiy peninsula region, facing Alaska across the Bering Strait, has declared itself sovereign, the Soviet news agency Tass said Friday.

It is the first time that an autonomous region, one level below an autonomous republic, has declared sovereignty.

A meeting of the regional people's deputies decided to declare an autonomous Chukotskian republic and asked the Soviet parliament to recognise the republic as part of the Soviet federation.

The new republic extends over an area of 730,000 square kilometres, comprimsing the extreme north-east of Siberia and offshore islands.

Russians and Ukrainians make up more than 80 per cent of the population and only about ten per cent are members of the original inhabitants of the area.

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#90271d1520 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CARCASSONNE, France (SEPT. 28) - Paris mayor and former French prime minister Jacques Chirac forecast Friday that international events "are suddenly putting Japan in a new situation", which "will reduce the competitiveness of its economy".

"Since the Gulf crisis started, we have been witnessing a new phenomenon," he told a political meeting here.

"On one hand, the United States is demanding that Japan pay the cost of stationing U.S. forces in Japan. And secondly, (Soviet President Mikhail) Gorbachev would seem prepared to exchange the Kuril Islands, claimed by Japan,

for considerable financing - which the Japanese could not refuse because they have made the matter (of the islands) a leading national ambition," he said.

"Finally, Japan has realized that it can no longer resist international pressure, and that it will have to double its development aid," Mr. Chirac added.

"Japan suddenly finds itself facing a completely new situation, which will lead it in the next few months to pay, if it does not want to be utterly isolated, politically and diplomatically.

"That is a gesture it is not used to making spontaneously, which will affect its economy and probably reduce its competitiveness."

Mr. Chirac will visit Japan next month.

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#90271d1950 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (SEPT 28) - A treaty on economic, industrial and technological cooperation between West Germany and the Soviet Union was initialed here on Friday, the West German Economics Ministry said.

It said the "treaty on development of large-scale cooperation in the fields of economics, industry and technology" was initialed by West German Economics Minister Helmut Haussmann and Soviet government representative Stepan Sitarzhan.

The treaty, with a 20-year life, will be signed after German unification and will have to be ratified by the two countries' parliaments.

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#90271d2120 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT 28) - President Frederik de Klerk has "serious problems" with his own people, African National Congress (ANC) leader Nelson Mandela charged Friday in Umtata, capital of nominally independent Transkei.

Talking to senior government officials on the second of his two-day visit to one of South Africa's two Xhosa homelands, Mr. Mandela said black people should beware of letting waning violence lull them into a false sense of security.

Clashes, mainly between migrant workers from Zulu leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom Party and pro-ANC township residents, cost nearly 800 lives in the month from August 13, but tailed off before Mr. De Klerk's three-day visit to the United States earlier this week.

Mr. Mandela said: "I can say without questioning the integrity of President De Klerk that he himself is serious about making changes in South Africa, but he has serious problems within his constituency," the South African news agency SAPA reported.

Without naming Inkatha he said the ANC had warned police in July of a plan to attack single sex hostels in Sebokeng township 100 kilometres (60 miles) south of here, but they "never even moved a little finger to stop those people commuting to Sebokeng where they successfully butchered several people."

An attack on Sebokeng hostels on July 22 and subsequent street fighting killed 27 people, and another hostel attack on September 4 killed 43.

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#90271d2160 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STELLENBOSCH, South Africa (SEPT 28) - Business confidence is falling in South Africa, confirming that the recession is now deep-seated, the University of Stellenbosch's Bureau for Economic Research said Friday.

In a nationwide survey conducted by the bureau, nearly 80 percent of respondents said business conditions were unsatisfactory, while 69 percent said they were worse than a year ago.

Fifty-one per cent said they expected worse to come. Most respondents in the wholesale industry said third quarter sales by volume were down on the same period last year, the first time since 1985 that the majority of wholesalers had reported a net decline in real terms.

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#90271d2250 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAPE TOWN (SEPT. 28) - South African President Frederik de Klerk is to use Groote Schuur, the mansion built by British colonialist Cecil Rhodes on the slopes of Table Mountain, as his official residence from next year.

Groote Schuur is currently being used as a guest house for visiting dignatories. Mr. De Klerk's current residence is nearby Westbrooke.

The president's office said Friday that "in the light of South Africa's improved international relations" it made sense to switch the roles of the two mansions since Westbrooke had more space to accommodate visitors.

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#90271d2270 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANAA (SEPT 28) - The Saudi authorities have expelled 5,000 Yemenis since the beginning of the week as part of reprisals against Yemen for its stand in the Gulf crisis, the Yemeni press reported Friday.

The independent Al-Moustaqbal weekly said hundreds of Yemenis were driven every day in Saudi trucks to the Hard border post and left several hundred meters (yards) from the frontier to walk the rest of the way home.

Saudi Arabia last week expelled several Yemeni diplomats, accusing them of undermining national security, and abolished visa and other privileges enjoyed by the one million Yemenis living in the kingdom.

Riyadh justified the moves as reprisals for Yemen's refusal to condemn Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90271d2300 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (SEPT. 28) - A mob of about 300 young soccer hooligans defied the police and went on an organised rampage of violence aimed at foreigners in East Berlin late Friday.

Wearing hoods or scarves over their faces and yelling that they should "get out", the youths chased dark-skinned people through Alexanderplatz while beating the ground with baseball bats and iron bars.

The youths, aged around 15 years for the most part, had come to watch a first division soccer championship match between Berlin and Lokomotiv Leipzig.

Some 300 helmeted police with riot shields stood by to contain them but did not charge at the youths. "We are here to keep them from starting to smash windows," one policeman said.

Earlier this week, on Monday, 250 youths, mostly of Turkish origin, went on a rampage in Alexandersplatz on Monday, smashing windows and burning a vehicle. Then, one policeman was slightly hurt and five people were arrested.

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#90271d2310 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINSTON-SALEM, NC (SEPT. 28) - Doctors were about to remove the organs of a 22-year-old man who they believed had been killed in a car accident, when his foot moved.

The family had agreed to donate the organs of Curt Coleman Clark, who doctors pronounced brain dead Wednesday after severe head injuries suffered in a car accident.

Police said Mr. Clark was hurt when he lost control of his car and it flipped over several times.

He was placed on a respirator and taken by ambulance to a hospital about 240 kilometers (150 miles) away where doctors were about to remove his organs for transplants when they noticed the man's foot move, said transplant surgeon Dr. Jesse Meredith.

Mr. Clark was then taken to an intensive-care unit where more signs of life were detected. He was listed in critical condition Friday.

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#90271d2340 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAIA (SEPT. 28) - Multi-party politics was made legal in the west African state of Cape Verde under a constitutional amendment voted Friday by the islands' national assembly.

Legislative and presidential elections are to take place in the archipelago in January and February next year, it was also decided.

No limit has been set on the number of political parties that may be formed,

but they must not have any religious connotation or regional ambition and must not encourage racism.

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#90271d2410 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT 29) - Czechoslovakia is prepared to send a military field hospital and three anti-chemical units to the Gulf if requested to do so, a Czechoslovak official said Friday.

Foreign Minister Jiri Dienstbier said Prague was willing to send the staff and equipment for one field hospital and three anti-chemical-weapon units if it can find a means of transport.

Sources said it would take at least 20 flights of a Galaxy cargo plane to transport the equipment and units, which would consist of about 200 soldiers. The Galaxy is the largest cargo plane in the U.S. Air Force's inventory.

Dienstbier, who was to discuss the offer Friday with Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger and National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft, said he has received no requests so far.

Czechoslovakia and Saudi Arabia do not have diplomatic relations, which may account for the fact that Prague has not been directly contacted by Riyadh.

Speaking at the World Affairs Council of Washington, Dienstbier said Prague would not be able to deploy troops in the Gulf because they are not adequately trained and do not have compatible arms.

Czechoslovak Ambassador Rita Klimova said meanwhile that Soviet oil exports to Prague had dropped by 40 per cent since July, primarily because of production problems.

Soviet oil prices are currently cheaper than on the world market, she said, but will rise to world prices in January, causing the country exteme hardship in its transition to a free economy.

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#90271d2460 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (SEPT 28) - Chinese foreign minister Qian Qichen Friday called on Iraqi to withdraw its troops from Kuwait and urged a comprehensive settlement of the Cambodian issue.

Qian told the United Nations General Assembly that the Iraqi invasion and annexation of Kuwait constituted ''a violation of the U.N. charter and a gross trampling upon the accepted norms governing international relations''.

He called on Iraq to respond to the mediation efforts of the Arab countries and U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar by pulling out its forces from Kuwait immediately.

China stands for a political settlement of the Gulf crisis within the framework of U.N. Security Council Resolutions, Qian said.

He appealed to the international community to act on the basis of the U.N. resolutions to ease the tension in the Gulf area, and urged the parties concerned to exercise restraint, avoid resorting to force, and resolve their disputes through peaceful negotiations.

Turning to the Cambodian issue, the foreign minister said the time was ripe for a comprehensive settlement to end 15 years of civil war.

It is ''of great urgency'' to urge the Cambodian parties to elect Prince Norodom Sihanouk as the president of the Supreme National Council so as to ensure its normal functioning, he said.

The council has failed to agree on who will lead it since it was formed by Cambodia's Vietnamese-backed government and four resistance factions in Jakarta earlier this month.

In his speech, the Chinese foreign minister also stressed the need to establish a new international political order on the basis of the five principles of peaceful coexistence.

Only the observance by all countries of the principles of mutual respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity, mutual non-aggression, non-interference in each other's internal affairs, equality and mutual benefit, and peaceful coexistence, can ensure normal international relations, he added.

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#90271d2570 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (SEPT 28) - President George Bush on Tuesday will meet with Jonas Savimbi, the rebel leader of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA), the White House announced Friday.

The meeting will "strongly affirm our traditional support for Savimbi at a time when crucial events are occurring," including food shortages and peace talks, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said.

Mr. Bush met with Mr. Savimbi last year at the White House.

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#90271d2590 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS, SEPT 28 - Arab leaders believe Iraqi President Saddam Hussein still does not appreciate the depth and breadth of world opposition to him, U.S. officials said Friday after meetings on the sidelines of U.N. debates here.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker spent much of Friday meeting with Arab foreign ministers, notably Algeria's Sid Ahmed Ghozali, and Tunisia's Habib Boulares, who met with Mr. Hussein Sunday in Baghdad.

Both ministers assured Mr. Baker they were not planning any mediation bids,

saying that what they offered the Iraqi president "in effect was a dose of reality," U.S. officials said.

Arab ministers who had met with Mr. Hussein said he expected -- as his troops invaded Kuwait August 2 -- that any U.N. sanctions against Iraq would be as ineffective as those against South Africa and what was then Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe).

The Arab ministers reported a "misperception" in Baghdad on the seriousness of the resolution of both the Arab League and the wider internatinonal community that "this aggression has got to be reversed," said one U.S. official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The Algerian and Tunisian foreign ministers both said they believed the U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq were beginning to bite. "Reality seems to be sinking in ... but very, very slowly," said a U.S. official.

Algeria abstained from an Arab League vote condemning Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and supporting the intervention of foreign troops to defend Saudi Arabia. Tunisia boycotted that meeting of the league, made up of 20 nations plus the Palestine Liberation Organisation.

The U.S. officials said the foreign ministers of both countries nevertheless made it clear to Mr. Baker that they believed Iraq's invasion of Kuwait should not be tolerated.

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#90271d2640 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, Sept 28 (AFP) - The United States expressed "serious concern" Friday over Iraq's decision to deprive foreigners in Iraq and occupied Kuwait of some rationed food, and held Baghdad responsible for the well-being of U.S. citizens under its control.

Nearly two million foreigners living in Iraq and Kuwait after October 1 will no longer have access to nine rationed food items at either subsidized prices or on the open market, the Baghdad government announced Thursday.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said the U.S. Embassy had not been officially notified of Iraq's decision but said Baghdad was responsible for the security and well-being of foreigners living in Iraq and Kuwait.

"It's not exactly clear what Iraqi intentions are as regards to rationing on October 1," Mr. Boucher added. "Of course, if these reports were true, it would be a matter of very serious concern to us."

The foreign nationals will be unable to buy rice, flour, cooking oil, tea,

starchy foods, sugar, soap, detergent and powdered milk for infants. Most of the items can only be purchased with a ration card.

Mr. Boucher said that seven of eight Americans held at Baghdad's Hotel Mansour-Melia had met with an official from the U.S. Embassy Wednesday and then been taken to undisclosed locations by Iraqi forces.

Iraq has been placing foreigners at strategic installations in Iraq in the hopes of dissuading attacks.

Mr. Boucher also expressed dismay that a U.S. request that 69 Americans in need of emergency health care be evacuated from Iraq had been "met with silence."

In Kuwait, Mr. Boucher said, "systematic house-to-house searches for Westerners continue in flagrant violation of all international standards of acceptable behavior."

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#90271d2650 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS, (SEPT 28) - Japanese Premier Toshiki Kaifu Friday denied suggestions that his country was doing too little, too late in joining international efforts to resolve the Gulf crisis.

In an interview with the CBS television network, Mr. Kaifu said Tokyo was doing its utmost to help shoulder the cost of the crisis sparked by the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

"I would like to point out that ours is the largest among the industrialized countries," said Mr. Kaifu, who arrived here Friday to attend the United Nations' Summit on Children this weekend.

Tokyo has contributed two billion dollars to help defray the cost of the U.S.-led multinational force deployed in Saudi Arabia to deter an Iraqi attack.

Japan contributed another two billion dollars for countries such as Egypt,

Turkey and Jordan that are reeling from the effects of the U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq.

Asked to respond to the perception that Japan only offered its help under international pressure, Mr. Kaifu said, "I sincerely hope that kind of perception would be corrected."

"In Japan, all people are tyring to pull their wisdom together at at time when we are exploring how best we could build up a new international order," he added.

Mr. Kaifu also said he would be opposed to fundamentally changing the role of the Japanese military -- a view he said that is shared by a majority of the Japanese people.

"During the second World War, Japan caused a lot of damage and suffering to our Asian and Pacific neighbors," he said.

"The Japanese themselves took to heart the lessons of that war. We shall never ourselves start any war of aggression," he added.

Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama, meanwhile, met Friday with his counterparts from the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council.

Japanese spokesman Makoto Yamanaka said the ministers from Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, Oman, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates expressed appreciation for Japan's contribution to the international drive against Iraq.

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#90271d7350 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENTIANE (SEPT. 28) - Laotian Deputy Foreign Minister Soulivong Phasitthideth said here that the United Nations' role in administering Cambodia should not violate the country's sovereignty or unity.

"We welcome the U.N.'s contribution, but we hope that it will have an appropriate role that respects the sovereignty and unity of Cambodia," Mr. Phasitthideth said in an interview.

The deputy minister, who was due to go to Cambodia on Friday, also said that Laos supported the Phnom Penh government's position on the composition of the Supreme National Council (SNC).

Under a U.N.-brokered agreement among the warring Cambodian parties, the SNC is composed of six representatives of the resistance and six from Phnom Penh and will represent the country's sovereignty before elections are held.

Phnom Penh opposes a resistance proposal that two members be added to the body and has said it will accept resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk as SNC president only if its own prime minister, Hun Sen, is made vice president.

Mr. Phasitthideth said the SNC presidency and vice presidency were "linked."

"A president must be designated, but also a vice president," he said.

The deputy minister also said Laos hoped a meeting of the Paris Conference on Cambodia would be convened as soon as possible.

"Laos is inclined to support an equitable solution that respects the neutrality and the independence of Cambodia," he said, adding that his country "will make all possible efforts for the success of the conference."

The Paris conference was first convened in August last year and ended without agreement on a solution to the 12-year-old Cambodian civil war.

In addition to Laos and Vietnam, Phnom Penh's main backers in the region, the conference will bring together the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, the members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), Japan, Australia, and the four Cambodian factions.

It is widely expected to meet in November to ratify the U.N.-sponsored agreement reached in Jakarta earlier this month.

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#90271d7380 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 28) - A 1.34 billion rands (0.52 billion dollars) platinum mine is to be established in the tribal homeland of Lebowa, in north-eastern Transvaal province, mining group Johannesburg Consolidated Investments (JCI) announced.

The decision to establish the mine, which is designed to treat 200,000 tons of ore a month by the end of 1994, followed a successful trial mining and milling programme, JCI spokesman Barry Davison said late Thursday.

Asked whether the project could cause over-production -- South Africa already provides 80 per cent of world supply -- Mr. Davison said he was "extraordinarily confident" of the long-term prospects for platinum.

The mine is to be known as Potgietersrus Platinums, owned jointly by two companies in the JCI stable -- Rustenburg Platinum, the world's largest producer, and Lebowa Platinum.

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#90271d7390 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (SEPT. 28) - Thailand is to purchase U.S.-built M-60 main battle tanks to strengthen its mechanized forces, according to an army-run television network report.

Thai army commander General Suchinda Kraprayoon said Thursday the first batch of 100 M-60's, fully equiped with communications equipment, is to be delivered next year, the report said.

"We are getting these tanks at a low price," Gen. Suchinda was quoted as saying.

The Thai army's main workhorse is the U.S.-built M-45A, a medium-sized tank which has been in service for over 20 years. Last year, a number of these tanks were upgraded with new engines and armament.

Thailand also bought several hundred T-69 tanks and armoured personnel carriers from China at "friendship prices" since 1988 to beef up its two Fast Mechanized Strike Force units, designed for rapid deployment.

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#90271d7400 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 28) - South Korea has closed its embassy in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait temporarily as it became physically impossible to perform its functions there, the foreign ministry announced Friday.

A press release said that the four-man staff led by Ambassador Soh Pyung-Yong left Kuwait and reached Amman Thursday.

Iraqi authorities are known to have cut off water and electricity supplies to the embassy, which Baghdad no longer recognises following its annexation of the emirate.

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#90271d7410 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) - The chief of the Soviet general staff warned that an outbreak of fighting in the Gulf would lead to an alliance between Iran and Iraq and could escalate into a world war, the Washington Post reported Friday.

General Mikhail Moiseyev, chief of the Soviet general staff, urged in an interview with the newspaper that the United States join the Soviet Union in seeking a solution to the crisis under the United Nations umbrella.

He asserted they had "quite enough political means" to find a peaceful resolution to the crisis.

"In case of some military actions, Iran will join the Iraqi side," the general said. "This would not be simply some kind of conflict; this would be a world war ... Such a war would not bring any glory either to the American people or to the people of Iraq."

The newspaper said he did not elaborate on what he meant by a world war nor did he say why he thought Iran would join forces with Iraq, with whom it fought a bloody eight-year war.

Noting that World War I erupted over "some minor thing," he said, "Today, we should do our utmost to avoid that."

The general also said he had provided technical information on Soviet weapons used by Iraq to the U.S. embassy and was assembling a package of information about the weapons, the Post said. He added wryly: "The CIA already has as much information as I do."

He said the consequences of a war in the Gulf were "very hard to imagine, especially considering the sophisticated weapons systems that are concentrated in that area on both sides."

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#90271d7420 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 28) - China welcomes foreign capitalists' investments but not their thinking, Chinese Communist Party chief Jiang Zemin was quoted as saying by a pro-Beijing newspaper here Friday.

Mr. Jiang also denied that Beijing had been "forced" to introduce an open economic policy because of its dependence on foreign loans, investments and skills.

"This is a wrong opinion," Mr. Jiang said. "The founding point of China's economic development in the past, present and future has been and always will be self-reliance."

The party general secretary was speaking in an interview with a new official Chinese magazine yet to be on sale here, Bauhinia. The lengthy interview was published in full by Wen Wei Po daily.

International economic sanctions against China following last year's June 4 Beijing massacre of pro-democracy activists "have hurt not only China, and intelligent political leaders in some countries have come to realise that," Mr. Jiang said.

The United States extended its most-favoured-nation trading status for China earlier this year while Britain recently indicated that it would call for an end to international economic sanctions against Beijing, observers noted.

The Chinese party chief also said "some foreign friends" had told him that China's on-going "anti-bourgeois liberalisation" campaign aimed at curbing the spread of foreign capitalist ideas might scare off overseas moneymen.

While Beijing would not impose its political concept on foreigners, "we ask them to abide by our constitution and laws," Mr. Jiang said.

Bourgeois liberalisation "is a political concept ... and to us it means negating in substance the socialist system, the leadership of the Communist Party and advocating capitalism," he said, adding: "This is against our constitution."

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#90271d7520 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Tokyo (SEPT. 28) - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu embarked Friday on a tour of the United States and several Middle East countries which Japanese commentators said unanimously will present him with extradordinary problems.

Kaifu's first function will be to attend the World Summit of Children at the United Nations.

But his most difficult task while in the U.S. will be to placate American public opinion over what it sees as Japan's completely inadequate backing in the Gulf effort.

The world's second biggest industrial nation imports 70 per cent of its oil needs from the Gulf states.

Although Tokyo, after much hesitation, has now pledged 4 billion dollars in various forms of financial assistance, the Japanese attitude is still seen in the U.S. as weak and indecisive.

Citing Japan's ''peace constitution'', Kaifu had underlined just before his departure that a military deployment of Japanese soldiers in crisis regions such as the Middle East is out of the question.

Following his visit to the U.S., Kaifu plans to tour Egypt, Jordan, Turkey,

Saudi Arabia and Oman. Scheduled visits to those countries had been cancelled by Japan in August.

The Japanese foreign ministry indicated that Tokyo at the time could not have made a significant contribution to help resolve the Gulf crisis.

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#90271d7690 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (SEPT. 28) - The growing trend in Asian exports to the United States could slow down by four percent if oil prices remain at their current high level for more than a year, a senior U.S. official said Friday.

"The effect on the U.S. rate of imports would be to decrease imports in volume terms by something like four percent from current growth rates of about six percent," said Robert Fauver, deputy assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific Affairs.

Mr. Fauver, who held a press conference here via telephone from Washington, based his figure on the assumption that oil prices remain near 40 dollars a barrel during a long military standoff in the Gulf.

It would be "a slowdown from a strong rising trend," he said, adding, "There would still be positive export growth, but somewhat slower than it has been."

But he thought the 40 dollar per barrel figure was too high because it was fueled by speculation. In the event of a war, it would be difficult to predict what price oil might reach, he added.

The many export-oriented economies of Asia depend heavily on a buoyant U.S. market.

While he said there might be a "drag" of two percent on U.S. and world industrial growth if prices remained near 40 dollars, Mr. Fauver dismissed fears that the United States would experience a depression like that in the 1930's.

The two oil shocks in the 1970's, which caused higher oil price increases than the current crisis, produced nothing like the Great Depression, he added.

Mr. Fauver, informing reporters gathered at the U.S. Consulate here about the economic effects of the Gulf crisis on East Asia, said the Philippines was among the most vulnerable Asian economies, having already suffered from an earthquake, drought and floods this year.

While several Asian economies would be strained in the short run by the return of thousands of workers from the Gulf, they were likely to benefit from an increase in skilled labor, he said.

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#90271d7710 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 27) - South African Finance Minister Barend du Plessis has warned that the crisis in the Middle East could mean stagflation for South Africa, state-run television said.

Interviewed in Washington, where he and Reserve Bank governor Chris Stals were attending the annual joint meeting of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank, Mr. Du Plessis said: "With the slowdown in the world economy there is a real danger of inflation rising.

"This combination is a very difficult one to handle ... Our growth potential isn't only inhibited by the fact that we suffer from international financial sanctions held in place specifically by the United States Congress. The whole outlook for countries such as ourselves is much more pessimistic."

As western economies shrank so did the demand for mass exports of the primary products, the lynchpin of the South African economy.

"The world and particularly South Africa did not need a Gulf crisis ... and its economic effects," he said.

He ruled out tax increases as that would inhibit growth, and said fresh borrowing would merely add to South Africa's long-term problems.

"We are forced to maintain a very low level of economic growth and we'll have to live with it," he said.

"As far as fiscal policy is concerned we'll have to maintain very strict controls over expenditure."

Pouring cold water on domestic demands for a cut in interest rates -- prime rate is 21 percent with inflation at 13.6 percent -- he said: "If we relax our interest rates we may find ourselves in a very short time...in a position where our interest rates are lower than those of our major trading partners."

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#90271d7760 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND (SEPT. 28) - New Zealand appeared likely Friday to reverse a ban on attempts by a Japanese company to buy one of the country's premier golf courses amid widespread criticism of the blockage.

Lands Minister Peter Tapsell unilaterally announced Thursday that Japan Golf Systems Ltd. would not be allowed to buy the 146 hectare (360 acre) Wairakei Golf Course and an adjacent hotel.

But Prime Minister Mike Moore, who did not know of his minister's decision until it was announced, said Friday he welcomed overseas investment in New Zealand, and that a fresh application would be considered.

Japan Golf System's Auckland lawyer Graham Harford said Friday they would relodge their application to the minister. He said it would contain "no major material alterations to the application which obtained Overseas Investment

Commission and Commerce Commission approval."

They were not willing to accept Mr. Tapsell's proposal that they instead lease the land, or take out a management contract with its present U.S.-based owners Southern Pacific Hotels, he said.

"In terms of the money our client is wishing to expend on the property and the expertise it is wanting to bring down to New Zealand, joint venture arrangements as proposed by the minister are not viewed favourably by our client," Mr. Harford told Radio New Zealand.

Cabinet is due to consider the issue on Monday.

Mr. Moore said in a statement that Mr. Tapsell had been acting within his ministerial mandate in vetoing the application, but added, "New Zealand needs overseas investment because we will not be able to create jobs we need based on local capital.".

The New Zealand Herald reported Friday that Mr. Tapsell was under mounting pressure to reverse his ban.

It said the incident came at a sensitive time in New Zealand's commercial relations with Japan in the wake of last year's collapse of the DFC New Zealand Ltd. merchant bank which had large Japanese banks as creditors.

The Herald also said in a commentary that New Zealand was not in a position to spurn foreign capital.

"Antagonism to the Wairakei transaction is especially suspect," the newspaper said.

"The golf course was recently sold by the (government) to an American concern. Mr. Tapsell must now explain why it was good enough for the sward to pass into Chicago ownership but unacceptable for control to transfer to Tokyo."

Various lobby groups also strongly attacked the veto.

The chairman of the Japan-New Zealand Business Council, Andrew Meehan, said the veto sent signals to Japan that would have frightening implications for the New Zealand economy.

The chairman of the Trade Development Board, Peter Shirtcliffe, said anti-foreign investment feeling was evidence that New Zealanders were still relatively introverted.

A spokesman for real estate firm Jones Lang Wootton, John Cameron, said the veto was appalling.

New Zealand Tourist Industry Federation chief executive Tony Staniford said it could cause widespread injury to tourism and discourage other possible foreign investors.

Mr. Tapsell said when he announced his decision Thursday, "I have not been persuaded that the sale would serve the greater public good."

But he denied that he had been influenced by recent "unwarranted criticism of purchases of New Zealand land by the Japanese."

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#90271d7780 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (SEPT. 28) - A labor shortage in South Korean has become so serious it is threatening industrial production and basic services such as public transport and garbage collection.

Despite a rapid rise in industrial wages, labor shortages are affecting the automobile, textile, and footwear industries, Labor Ministry officials said.

Bulletin boards in industrial zones across the country are filled with posters announcing employment opportunities, but attracting few applicants.

The shortage in coal mining and construction is so serious that some firms are asking the government for unprecedented authorization to import manpower from Southeast Asian countries.

The federation of city bus companies asked the Labor Ministry recently to allow some 7,000 ethnic Koreans in China and the Soviet Union to work as bus drivers in Seoul and other major cities.

Uncollected garbage can be seen piling up in upmarket residential areas with sanitation departments lacking the staff to clear it.

Part of the problem seems to be that more young workers are choosing less strenuous jobs in the growing service sector, officials said. Workers have become used to wages that have nearly doubled in three years as the standard of living rises rapidly.

The nation's leading industrial group Daewoo has managed to recruit only 500 workers for its new small-car plant in Changwon, which will require 1,300 workers when it starts production early next year.

In the Inchon export industrial zone west of Seoul, more than 6,000 jobs are unfilled in the footwear, garment and textile factories.

And in the Taegu fiber industry zone, where some 2,000 textile factories employ about 100,000 workers, production is seriously affected by a shortage of

20,000 workers.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 28) - Japan's inflation rate in August rose by 0.5 percent over July and by 2.9 percent in the year to August, the Management and Coordination Agency said Friday.

Consumer prices only rose by 0.1 percent in July over the previous month and by 2.3 percent for the year to July, the agency said.

The August consumer price rise was mainly due to higher prices for fresh foodstuffs caused by an unusually hot and dry summer in Japan, an official source said.

The source said prices for fresh foodstuffs in August 1989 had fallen by 0.1 percent over the previous month.

The agency said the doubling in crude oil prices on international markets in the wake of the Gulf crisis had not yet affected Japanese wholesale or retail prices.

The authorities were keeping a close eye on the big oil companies, which waited until mid-September to raise retail petrol prices, analysts here said.

Prices in the Tokyo area in the first two weeks of September rose by 2.8 per cent over the previous 12 months, the agency said.

Economists attributed the regional inflation increase to seasonal factors such as higher clothing prices and the start of the school year.

The economists said they expected the next monthly statistics to show the impact of rising oil prices on Japan, which is almost totally dependent on overseas suppliers for its energy needs.

However, Japanese industry has worked to ensure it is in a better position in the event of an oil shock, they added.

The Bank of Japan and the finance ministry said the main priority for economic and monetary policy was still inflation.

The authorities were also concerned about the labour shortage, and the resultant pressure on wages and on the production capacity of key processing industries at a time when global activity in those sectors is particularly strong.

The money supply continued to grow strongly, surging by 11.9 percent in the 12

months to August, and economists said this was another inflationary factor.

The Bank of Japan, which has been keeping interest rates high to try to curb those inflationary pressures, lifted the minimum lending rate to six percent on August 30.

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#90271d7880 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 28) - Mitsubishi Motors Corp. (MMC) and West Germany's Mercedes-Benz are studying possible cooperation in commercial vehicle production in Mexico, the major Japanese automaker said Friday.

"We have begun studying the possibility of cooperation on commercial vehicle programs in Mexico, but we are not at a stage to disclose any details," an MMC official said.

The Mitsubishi and Daimler-Benz groups reached agreement in March on a broad tie-up in fields including aeronautics, automobiles and electronics.

At further talks in Tokyo earlier this month, leaders of the two giant industrial groups agreed to cooperate in 11 projects, which did not include the Mexican car project.

Yomiuri Shimbun, a major Japanese daily, said Friday that the automakers had started talks on cooperation in commercial vehicle production in Mexico and Indonesia.

The report said MMC could supply parts or give technical assistance to joint venture plants of Mercedes-Benz, one in Mexico and two in Indonesia, manufacturing commercial vehicles and diesel engines.

This could become the first cooperation project of the two companies outside Japan and Europe, the report said.

The MMC official flatly denied any talks on cooperation in Indonesia.

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#90271d7890 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 27) - Results from six boreholes sunk in the Loraine gold mine mineral rights area were sufficiently encouraging to warrant a further and more detailed drilling programme, mine owners Anglovaal said here.

In a statement, the company said a further 17 boreholes would be sunk during the next two years at a cost of 36.5 million rand (14.1 million dollars).

It said the results showed that at least portions of the area near Welkom in

Orange Free State province contain a number of well-developed conglomerate reef horizons at mineable depth.

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#90271d7940 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH, WEST GERMANY (SEPT. 28) - British bank Barclays is to take over Merck Finck, West Germany's second largest private bank, it was announced here Friday.

The value of the deal was not given. The agreement between Barclays and August von Finck requires the approval of the West German anti-trust authorities.

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#90271d8170 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

METZ, FRANCE (SEPT. 28) - A major theme park in northeast France is considering filing for bankruptcy or selling up, the company and union sources said here Friday.

"Filing for bankruptcy because of poor results is a possibility which was put to the last works committee meeting in September" and will be put before the board on October 5, said union sources at the Big Bang Schtroumpfs (Smurfs) theme park at Hagondange in the Moselle region.

SOREPARK, which manages the park, is expecting that its second season, due to end with the October 6-7 weekend, will have seen a total of only 400,000 visitors against the 700,000 needed to pass the break-even point.

Several possible buyers are in the offing, mainly theme park operators such as Walibi of Belgium, Fantasia Land of West Germany, plus one Dutch and one British operator, SOREPARK officials said.

"The 1990 season has not been what it should have, although paradoxically we have brought costs under control and been more professional," managing director Michel Leluyer said.

But it is "inconceivable that the park will close its doors, because then it will be worth nothing," he added.

The park is expected to show an operating loss for the season of 40 million francs (7.5 million dollars), to which must be added 70 million francs (13.2 millon dollars) in financial costs.

SOREPARK had already had to raise an extra 100 million francs (18.8 million dollars) capital last year to offset losses in its first year of operation,

when only 800,000 people visited the park against a forecast one million.

Any further capital increase has been ruled out, and SOREPARK shareholders,

French companies Sacilor, Bouygues and Sodexho plus Arab investors and a banking syndicate, will decide on October 5 whether to file for bankruptcy or sell out.

"The park opened in April 1989 and initial investment totalled 720 million francs (135.8 dollars). It axed 362 jobs last year and now employs around 500 people.

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#90271d8700 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 28) - Alan Bond's flagship Bond Corp. Holdings Ltd. on Friday announced a loss of 2.51 billion Australian dollars (2.1 billion U.S.) for the year to June 30, the largest annual corporate loss in national history.

The result nearly doubled the previous record loss of 1.3 billion dollar (1.1 billion U.S.) announced Tuesday by John Elliott's brewing giant Elders IXL.

The Bond result compared with a loss of 819 million dollars (676 million U.S.) for the year to June 30, 1989.

Directors blamed write-downs from subsidiaries and losses of asset sales. Both were necessary to cut the group's massive debt, which is still estimated at about five billion dollars (4.1 billion U.S.).

After abnormal gains and a tax credit, Bond Corp. recorded a loss of 2.25 billion dollars (1.9 billion U.S.).

Directors said the results, announced in a statement to the stock exchange,

were unaudited as the group had changed its end of financial year to October 5 to include the sale of Australian brewing assets to subsidiary Bell Resources Ltd.

The results to the end of June were filed at the request of the Australian Stock Exchange, they said.

Earlier this week, Mr. Bond and two senior executives quit the empire, which the 52-year-old English-born entrepreneur created from a tiny sign-writing business 34 years ago.

At its height, the Bond empire operated breweries in Australia and overseas, media telcommunications, property and mining interests.

But the company is now little more than the shell of its former self following

recent asset sales, including the shedding of the Channel Nine television network.

The loss was struck as revenue fell 16.1 per cent to 7.1 billion dollars (5.9 billion U.S.).

Bond directors said the 15 months ending October 5 would include an expected 1.03 billion dollar (850 million U.S.) profit from the sale of the brewery assets to Bell Resources.

Directors said it would be clear from the filed results that "the company could not hope to continue in its present form."

"The future of the company is dependent upon the successful completion of current negotiations between the company and the holders of unsecured bonds including convertible notes."

This deal would involve "a recapitalisation of the company and the extinguishment of certain of the existing debts in exchange for equity in the company."

The loss caps the recent spectacular fall of Mr. Bond, who dropped out of high school to become a millionaire at 21.

In 1988, with a personal fortune estimated at 400 million dollars (331 million U.S.), he was named by an Australian business magazine as the country's fifth richest man. A year later he was declared "not a fit or proper person" to hold a broadcasting licence.

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#90271d8710 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Beirut (SEPT. 28) - The pro-Syrian government of President Elias Hrawi Friday carried out its threat to impose a siege on areas controlled by defiant army general Michel Aoun in order to force him to relinquish power in East Beirut.

The defense ministry in West Beirut announced that its soldiers at midnight Thursday took over four passageways into Aoun's areas from Lebanese Forces militiamen loyal to Samir Geagea.

The Lebanese regulars started as of noon Friday to prevent cars and trucks from entering the besieged 180-square-kilometre enclave stretching from Beirut to the northeastern mountains.

Ministry sources said the soldiers were given orders to confiscate all supplies and foodstuffs entering the enclave and encourage residents there to leave for safer areas in West Beirut or northern Lebanon.

The sources said the army under General Emile Lahoud was deployed in Saloumi, Saet el-Abed, Baskinta and Nahr el-Kalb gates facing General Aoun's 10,000-strong army.

Defence Minister Albert Mansour said the aim of the siege was to bring Aoun's mutiny to an end without bloodshed. But he said military options remain open if the rebellion continues.

Army sources said that at a later stage, even pedestrians would be prevented form travelling back and forth through the passageways.

The self-styled general, challenging the government measures, told reporters at the presidential palace in East Beirut where he has set up headquarters that he would never conduct a dialogue while under siege.

Army sources said diplomats, deputies and relief workers are exempted from the government measures.

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#90271d8840 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Johannesburg (SEPT. 28) - South African civil rights leader Nelson Mandela will next month embark on his fifth major tour overseas since his release from life imprisonment eight months ago.

The African National Congress (Anc) said here Friday that Mandela will leave on October 8 for a meeting in Paris with French President Francois Mitterrand before going on to the Soviet Union, India, Malaysia, Brunei, Australia, Indonesia and Japan. His return to South Africa is planned for November 2.

The 72-year-old Anc vice-president's schedule will include several rest days. His engagements in the Soviet Union and Japan will be kept to a maximum of four per day of 60 to 90 minutes. Elswhere they will be limited to three, the Anc said.

Mandela will be accompanied by his wife, Winnie, who was this week charged with four cases of kidnapping and assault with intent to commit grievous bodily harm in connection with the torture of four black youths in late 1988. The case has been referred to the High Court in Johannesburg for hearing in February.
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#90271d8870 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OTTAWA (SEPT. 28) - The Soviet Union, Poland and Czechoslovakia became members of Interpol on the opening day of the international police organization's annual conference.

Interpol, which has 150 members, Thursday also enrolled the republic of the Marshall Islands, a tiny chain of atolls in the Pacific that is under the military and economic umbrella of the United States.

"With the exception of Albania, we now cover all of Europe," Raymond Kendall, the British secretary general of Interpol, said at a news conference.

Asked about the Soviet Union, Mr. Kendall said that even if the changes take time, the Soviet police organization belonging to Interpol, the militia, will gradually adopt a Western model, abandoning its role as a political police.

"We are not interested in the political police. We are an organization of criminal police," he said.

The Interpol conference opened Thursday and will continue until October 3.

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#90271d8970 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (SEPT. 28) - India's key leftist parties for the first time Friday backed a controversial job quota policy, as violence and suicide protests against the scheme continued in the country's strife-hit north.

At least seven more students tried to kill themselves to demand the scrapping of the policy, which reserves almost 50 per cent of jobs in the government and public sector for millions of lower caste people, press reports said.

One of the suicide attempts was reported Friday from Fatehpur, Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh's home constituency in the northern state of Uttar Pradesh, where a 19-year-old boy took poison but survived.

In Chandigarh, an 18-year-old girl hung herself, bringing to 10 the number of school and college students who have killed themselves since the job concessions were announced on August 7. Nearly 60 more have survived suicide attempts.

A young man who had set fire to himself Thursday in neighbouring Himachal Pradesh state died Friday.

India's two main Communist parties, backed by two miniscule leftist groups, announced in a statement here that they backed the government decision to fix job quotas which student groups say kills merit.

A joint statement by the four parties said they were "disassociating themselves from any move to hold it (quotas) in abeyance" but asked the premier to enter into a dialogue to end the student protests.

The statement by the four, including the dominant Communist Party of India

(Marxist), marked the first time any party supporting the nine-month-old minority government had come out in favor of the quotas.

The major opposition party, the Congress (I) headed by former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, has called for the prime minister's resignation, but remained silent on the quotas, apparently for fear of losing lower caste votes.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) reported successful student-led general strikes in most parts of Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Himachal Pradesh states, where widespread violence continued unabated.

In Rajasthan, a member of Mr. V.P. Singh's Janata Dal (People's Party) resigned from the state assembly, expressing his opposition to the policy which has triggered fears of a caste war in India.

Thousands of people went on a violent spree in Sonepat, in Haryana, late Thursday, burning down a telephone exchange and 18 train cars and waging street battles with security forces after police shot dead a demonstrator.

The army was called out Friday in the town. Army troops were also patrolling parts of Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh states.

In Ghaziabad, near here, the anti-quota campaign protests spread to rural areas after an influential farm leader announced his support for the students, and said he would take part in a protest rally here Tuesday.

Mobs torched a police station and a police post, injuring six policemen, and six cars of a passenger train after asking people to alight, PTI said.

In Amravati town, western India, where schools and colleged remained shut, dozens of students took to the streets selling fruit, shining shoes and begging at a local railway station in symbolic protests.

Mr. V.P. Singh has repeatedly urged the students to talk to the government over the job quotas, but has said he will not withdraw the policy. The students have said there can be no dialogue until New Delhi does so.

In the Indian capital, all 5,000 state-owned and private buses, a main target of the students who have burned and wrecked hundreds of them, remained off the roads for the second straight day.

But the city of nine million was reported to be largely peaceful, after three days of violence which left four people dead in police firing.

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#90271d9050 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (SEPT. 28) - Angolan government and rebel delegates failed to agree on

a ceasefire at their latest session of direct peace talks in Portugal this week, but will meet again in the last week of October, Portugal's junior foreign minister Durao Barroso said here Friday.

The Portuguese government would prepare a paper for that meeting setting out the belligerents' positions.

A ceasefire agreement should be signed once the political question had been settled of the Luanda government's recognition of the rebel National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA), Mr. Barroso said. There were still differences on that score, he added, but they were not substantial.

The fourth round of negotiations held in great secrecy at the air force headquarters base at Sintra near the capital had been ''one more step on the long and difficult path to peace'' in Angola after 15 years of war, the minister said.

The talks had enabled both sides to avoid getting caught in a dead end by making progress on the principle of a ceasefire and the practical aspects of supervision and guarantees.

For the first time since direct talks started in April, American and Soviet experts were present to advise on the technical issues of a ceasefire.

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#90271d9130 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 28) - Platinum prices continued to fall in London on Friday, hitting their lowest levels in four years on fears of a world recession.

The metal was quoted at 431.25 dollars an ounce at the morning fixing, its lowest since July 1986, against 442 dollars at Thursday's close.

Platinum has lost almost 15 percent of its value since mid-August amid recession fears exacerbated by the Gulf crisis.

Gold held steady however at 406 dollars an ounce against 405.25 at Thursday's close.

"It is unclear whether fundamentals justify such a sharp fall" in platinum rates, said Andrew Smith of UBS-Phillips and Drew, but warned that recession fears were the dominant market influence and that prices would probably fall still further.

Platinum is used in making catalytic converters for car exhausts, and fears of a slowdown in the auto market are particularly affecting prices.

In addition Japan, normally a major platinum buyer, cut imports to 4.9 tons in

August from 6.3 in July.

The metal could become a better bet than gold for the first time since 1985, Mr. Smith said.

A world recession had kept platinum below or at the same level as gold between 1980 and 1985. It recovered at the end of 1985 but was then hit by the world stock crash in 1987.

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#90271d9150 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 28) - French chemical giant Rhone-Poulenc plans to double its business in Asia, currently worth 5.3 billion francs (one billion dollars) or six per cent of group turnover a year, within the next decade, director general Jean-Marc Bruel says.

Mr. Bruel said the company, which counts 15 joint ventures throughout the region, excluding the Indian sub-continent, would pay special attention to Japan, accounting for three per cent of its total sales and the world's second largest chemicals market.

A major presence here was necessary to become an established supplier of Japanese companies, following them as they moved production overseas, he said.

Rhone-Poulenc set up its first direct subsidiary here this year, producing rubberised white carbon, after ending its joint venture with Dai Nippon Ink Co. formed in 1983.

Mr. Bruel Wednesday laid the foundation stone of a research centre in Akeno, next to Tokyo's Tsukuba science park, which will employ about 50 people by 1992.

By 1993, the company plans to have about 100 employees at the center, boosting the company's local profile and attracting skilled workers, Mr. Bruel said.

Rhone-Poulenc's other main center of Asian operations is South Korea, with annual turnover there of 750 million francs (142 million dollars).

One of its two 50:50 joint ventures there, Korfran, currently making white carbon, plans to build a plant there with annual production of 50,000 tons of adipic acid, a raw material for nylon and synthetic rubbers.

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#90271d9160 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 28) - China will Monday open Haimen port on the East China Sea to foreign ships, New China News Agency (NCNA) said Friday.

It quoted communications ministry officials as saying the port, the 50th Chinese port to be opened up to foreign ships, had 27 docks, including one that could handle ships of up to 10,000 dead weight tons.

It was also considering building a new dock for the foreign shipping, ministry officials told NCNA.

Haimen, also known as Jiaojiang City, now handles 4.3 million tons of cargo on Chinese ships annually and lies southwest of ports in Japan and South Korea.

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#90271d9220 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUTARE, ZIMBABWE (SEPT. 28) - Rebels of the Mozambique National Resistance (RENAMO) abducted 16 Zimbabwean villagers and wounded three others with bayonets in "a series of well-organised raids spanning a period of four days", Zimbabwe's ZIANA news agency reported Friday.

Gangs numbering 20 to 30 reportedly crossed into Zimbabwe in the Chipinge area 350 kilometres (220 miles) southeast of Harare, between Saturday and Tuesday, making "daring attacks" on farm workers. Two of the kidnap victims managed to escape from their captors and the three bayonet victims have been discharged after treatment at Chipinge hospital.

The rebels have complained during current on-off peace talks with representatives of Mozambican President Joaquim Chissano's government that Zimbabwean troops are currently locked in a major offensive against their positions inside the former Portuguese colony. They have demanded the total withdrawal of the Zimbabweans, who are believed to number up to 13,000.

Harare's semi-official daily, the Herald, reported Friday that a "record" 34 rebels were killed in a single battle with the Zimbabwe National Army at Masabasa near Chokwe, on the long-inoperative railway line from Zimbabwe to Maputo. Chokwe lies over 300 kilometres from Zimbabwe, deep inside Mozambique's southern Gaza province.

Colonel Mathew Makanza, commander of the ZNA Sixth Brigade, told the Herald that 120 rebels had "recently" attacked a platoon of his men and were defeated in a 90-minute firefight, conducted without Zimbabwean air support.

A Herald reporter said he encountered a 13-year-old Mozambican boy who had given himself up after being forced to fight with the rebels. Another, made to "learn the trade" although too young to carry an AK47 rifle, appeared to be only nine.

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#90271d9270 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BASEL, SWITZERLAND (SEPT. 28) - The board of Swissair on Friday named Hannes Goetz as the airline's future president, a company spokesman said here.

Mr. Goetz, 56, currently a member of the board of engineering concern Georg Fischer, will take over from current Swissair president Armin Baltensweiler in April 1992, when the latter is due to step down.

The nomination of Mr. Goetz will be put to the annual general meeting in April next year.

Mr. Baltensweiler, a member of the Swissair board since 1977, was appointed president for a 10-year period in 1982.

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#90271d9410 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (SEPT. 28) - The price of fuel in Egypt increased by 10 percent on Thursday while newspapers were to cost some 25 percent more starting October 1 correspondents said.

A liter of regular 80-octane fuel which sold for 50 piasters (U.S. 18 cents) now costs 55 piasters (20 cents) and a liter of 90-octane special rose from 55 piasters to 60 piasters (21 cents), they said.

The last oil price hike of 37.5-42.8 percent was in May.

Oil Minister Abdel Hadi Kandil said the increase "will help to offset the deficit resulting from the Gulf crisis during the fiscal year," the daily Al Ahram reported.

Mr. Kandil said the increase will bring in some 150 million pounds (54.5 million dollars) in revenues.

In another development, Egypt's three leading newspapers -- Al Ahram, Al Akhbar and the oppostion Al Wafd -- will raise their price by 25 percent on Monday from 20 piasters (seven cents) to 25 piasters (nine cents), due to what Al Ahram said was an increase in the price of newsprint and printing.

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#90271d9490 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KATHMANDU (SEPT. 28) - A Nepal-based human rights group on Friday accused Bhutanese soldiers of killing 319 people and injuring 476 in clashes with dissident Bhutanese groups between September 20 and 22.

Bhutan Aid Group-Nepal (BAG-N) issued a press statement here in which it also named eight people whose bodies, it said, had been found in southern Bhutan

along the border with India on September 21. It did not say who killed them.

The Bhutanese Embassy in New Delhi confirmed clashes between dissident groups and Bhutanese troops but said only a few casualties were inflicted on both sides.

BAG-N said at least 40 people were killed at Fongcholing, 20 in Samchi, 15 in Chengmari, 46 in Sibsu, 196 in Samrang and one each at the Golefu and Longkhar localities of Bhutan.

BAG-N spokesman Chetendra Jung Himali said here that several others had also been killed in southern and southeastern Bhutan.

Mr. Himali said he strongly deplored the killing of unarmed Bhutanese people who were agitating for political and human rights.

Bhutan's ruler, King Jigme Singye Wangchuk, should not forget that people were "the power of any state" and the ruler's duty was to protect the people, not kill them, he said.

Mr. Himali said the international human rights group Amnesty International should investigate the Bhutanese government's suppression of the protestors, adding: "Human rights will succeed in the long run."

The pro-democratic Nepal Students Union issued a separate statement expressing sympathy and support for the Bhutanese people.

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#90271d9500 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (SEPT. 28) - Three people were killed Friday when unidentified gunmen fired at commuters waiting at a taxi rank in Soweto, the black city south-west of Johannesburg, police said.

One person was killed in the attack and two others died later in hospital. Three people were admitted to hospital with serious gunshot wounds.

A police spokesman said it was not clear whether the deaths were the result of a feud between rival groups of taxi operators.

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#90271d9590 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 28) - Major industrialised countries are likely to decide to hang on to their strategic oil stocks despite soaring oil prices at a meeting which opened here Friday, an International Energy Agency (IEA) official said.

But the representatives of 21 countries attending the meeting will have to put

the finishing touches to procedures to be followed if it is felt the stocks are needed as winter begins to bite.

"They all want to get ready to act fast if necessary," an IEA spokesman said.

A senior IEA official said earlier this week that the current level of supply of crude oil was "adequate if not comfortable," although problems were beginning to be seen for supplies of refined products.

Washington's decision to release five million barrels of its 590 million barrels in strategic oil stocks has been seen largely as a cosmetic exercise, and it is unlikely that the meeting of the Paris-based IEA will decide to follow suit.

The organisation would only turn to government stocks if there was actually a shortage of crude - which is not currently the case - and not as a way to damp down market speculation, a senior IEA official said.

In any case, releasing strategic stocks now would only have a very limited effect as the market is reacting more to fears of a war in the Gulf than the actual balance between supply and demand.

Thanks to a swift increase in production by Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Venezuela after an international embargo was imposed on Iraqi and Kuwaiti products when Baghdad invaded Kuwait last month, output has been maintained.

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#90271d9700 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OTTAWA (SEPT. 28) - Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney faced stiff opposition Friday for obtaining approval from Britain's Queen Elizabeth II to use an obscure constitutional provision to expand the appointed Senate in an attempt to ensure passage of a controversial sales tax.

The prime minister late Thursday seated eight new members of his Conservative Party after receiving permission from the queen, still Canada's head of state, to employ for the first time Article 26 of the constitution which allows the Senate to be expanded by four or eight seats.

With the new Conservative members, Mr. Mulroney will have 54 seats, a two-seat lead over the opposition Liberal Party which formerly dominated the 112-member appointed Senate.

For the past several months the Liberals have blocked passage of the seven per cent tax on products and services, called a value-added tax (TVA). The Conservative-dominated House of Commons has already passed the tax proposal.

But the Conservatives' 54 seats still fall three votes short of the majority needed to pass the TVA, apparently placing the fate of the tax in the hands of six independent members.

The TVA has been as unpopular in Canada as the poll tax in Britain, although Canadians have not launched violent protests against the measure.

Aimed at replacing a federal sales tax on manufactured goods that weakened the products' competitive pricing on international markets, the TVA would be applied across-the-board on all services. Only essential food products and prescription medicines would be exempt.

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#90271d9750 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (SEPT. 28) - Abel Aganbegyan, the Soviet economist usually described as the original architect of the perestroika reform policy, said Friday that he did not know if his country is about to be "sold out" to foreign businesses.

The admission, made without hint of embarrassment or anxiety, came during a question session following a speech he gave to an international conference here on the future of the labour movement.

Asked by one questioner if guarantees could be given that his country was not about to be "sold out to foreigners", like Hungary, Mr. Aganbegyan said it was not known.

"We don't know what tomorrow brings," he shrugged.

He did, however, present a clearer picture of the Soviet Union's economic crisis, which he said included not only consumer shortages and a failing monetary system but rising inflation which he described as "a very dangerous situation."

Mr. Aganbegyan, who was the star speaker at the conference, made use of his few days in Sydney to undertake a hectic round of media interviews in which he surprised many with his candour.

Equally candid was a speech prepared for the conference in which he said one of the major government errors leading to the "grave problems" had been an unreasonable price rise on wines and spirits.

The rises had pushed people to home-distilling, causing not only a rise in alcoholism, but reduced state incomes from taxes and led to a considerable allocation of hard currency for extra sugar.

Since the second half of 1987, the speech said, the already misshapen and distorted economy had started revealing grave problems which resulted in

1988-89 in an acute crisis in the consumer market, and in the monetary and financial systems.

In 1989-90, it had been further aggravated by currency problems, all combining to create a general economic crisis accompanied by a decrease of production and reduced living standards.

Reduced prices for Soviet exports such as oil and raw materials had been compounded by the need to allocate "huge means to the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster and the Armenian earthquake."

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#90271d9800 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (SEPT. 28) - The West German airline Lufthansa will land in West Berlin for the first time when it brings dignatories to the city next Tuesday on the eve of Germany's unification day, Lufthansa President Heinz Ruhnau said Friday.

Lufthansa jets will fly members of the Bundestag, or West German parliament, from Bonn to Berlin's Tegel airport for the October 2 to 4 festivities.

Its own scheduled service between Berlin and the rest of Germany begins on October 28, using routes and landing slots bought from Pan-American Airlines for 150 million dolllars.

Under post-World War II agreements, access to West Berlin by air was given only to French, British and U.S. airlines. The accords are scheduled to expire at the stroke of midnight on Tuesday.

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#90271d9960 09/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Ankara (SEPT. 28) - Turkey has refused permission to a Polish ship to unload about 133 tons of chemicals used in production of deadly mustard gas and destined for Iran, official sources said here Friday.

Containers of Neoprene and Sodium Cyanide were brought Thursday to the Turkish Mediterranean port of Mersin by the Polish roll-onroll-off ship Wloclaweck sailing from Antwerp, Belgium.

Sources at the Turkish Ministry of Finance and Customs said it was established that the chemicals had been produced and shipped by West German firms they did not identify.

Ankara had been tipped earlier by the American embassy here over a report by U.S. Customs officials that the suspicious cargo might have been ultimately destined for Iraq.

As reason for the interception of the chemicals, Turkish customs officials cited the lack of documents showing their final destination and failure to conform to international norms guarding the transport of dangerous cargo.

The ship, allowed only to unload goods exported to Turkey, was expected to sail back later Friday.

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#90271e0012 09/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Gijon, Spain (SEPT. 28) EFE - A package bomb exploded Friday at the offices of local traffic authorities in the northern industrial city of Gijon, causing damages but no injuries, police said.

They said two women and a man entered the traffic authority offices in Gijon, in the region of Asturias, around 9:30 a.m. and told workers they that they had a bomb.

The building was evacuated and no-one was hurt when the device exploded, but damages to the building were considerable.

Police said the armed attackers, who escaped after the blast, might be members of the far left terror group GRAPO - the October First Anti-Facist Resistance Group.

Grapo has killed some 50 people since it surfaced in 1975.

Meanwhile, 8 km from the northern city of San Sebastian, in the troubled Basque region, two unidentified attackers early Friday threw fire-bombs at a Renault car showroom, causing damages but no casualties.

Close to the Basque town of Renteria, just east of San Sebastian, police also said a bomb exploded early Friday near an electrical pylon cutting off supplies to the surrounding area.

Nobody has claimed responsibility for any of Friday's attacks. However, the incidents in the Basque region bore the hallmarks of the armed Basque separatist group ETA.

ETA has killed more than 600 people since it began its fight for the region's right to independence 22 years ago.

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#90271e0021 09/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Moscow (SEPT. 28) EFE - Members of the Gagauzi minority in the Soviet republic of Moldavia were to take to the streets Friday for the second day to

protest persecution and the arrest of two legislators, leaders of the ethnic minority said.

The protest is to take place in the city of Komrat where on Thursday 7,000 people marched.

Gagauzi local council deputy Ivan Borgudzhi, who authored a sovereignty declaration for the self-proclaimed "Gagauzi Republic," said he had been arrested Thursday without formal charges and beaten, taken to the Moldavian capital of Kishinev, and interrogated.

Borgudzhi was released several hours later, but a second deputy, Leonid Dobrov remained in a prison hospital in Kishinev on a two-week hunger strike.

Seven physicians in Komrat, the capital of the self-proclaimed republic, joined the the hunger strike a week ago to protest suppression of the ethnic minority's desire for self rule.

On August 19, the Gagauzi declared an autonomous republic in southern Moldvavia, but the Moldavian Supreme Soviet ruled the measure unlawful.

The Gagauzi, who account for only 3.5 percent of Moldavia's more than 4.2 million population, are of Turkic origin and speak their own language.

Moldavia, the Soviet republic which borders Romania, has experienced increasing ethnic strife, with a population made up of Moldavians, Ukrainians, Russians and Bulgarians.

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#90271e0022 09/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PRETORIA (SEPT 28) EFE - The South African government was considering Friday a proposal by the anti-apartheid African National Congress (ANC) to hold a third summit within the next week to end current tribal-related violence.

A Constitutional Development and Planning Ministry spokesman said Pretoria was carefully studying the petition.

ANC spokesman Gill Marcus said it was imperative the summit be scheduled before October 6 when the group's vice-president, Nelson Mandela, is to go on a tour of India, Australia and the Soviet Union.

Many ANC supporters have called for the group to reverse its decision to renounce armed struggle, agreed upon in the last round of talks in early August, because of the government's failure to contain violence raging in black townships over the last two months.

"The ANC has serious doubts about the measures adopted by the government in

response to the wave of violence," Marcus said.

On September 11 Pretoria introduced an "iron fist" policy to end the fighting between folowers of the Zulu-based Inkatha movement and ANC supporters from the Xhosa tribe.

Mandela has charged the security measures were an attempt to revive a crackdown on political dissent and that a "hidden hand" was behind the clashes which have claimed almost 800 lives.

Speculation has risen that white extremists, supported by police, have provoked the violence in an attempt to sabotage ANC-government negotiations to end apartheid.

In a related development, some 3,000 political exiles are to begin returning to South African Monday under amnesty laws authorized by the government after the August summit.

But the head of the ANC's repatriation program, Jackie Selebi, said his program was undergoing serious financial problems, since promises from the government and various private companies to contribute funds had not yet materialized.

The ANC alone has some 20,000 supporters leaving in exile.

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#90271e0035 09/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (SEPT. 28) EFE - Share prices on the Madrid stock exchange fell Friday with the general index down 2.67 point to close at 209.37.

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#90271e0038 09/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ZAGREB (SEPT 28) EFE - The Croatian government has accused Yugoslav federal authorities of breaking United Nations sanctions against Iraq by repairing Iraqi warplanes, a Croatian newspaper reported Friday.

The daily Vjesnik reported that Josip Manolic said that Iraqi warplanes had flown over the republic's capital from an airbase at Velika Gorica, 15 km southeast of Zagreb, where they were being repaired.

A Yugoslav Armed Forces spokesman denied Wednesday rumours that Yugoslavia was repairing Soviet-built Mig fighters for Iraq and said that Belgrade fully supported United Nations resolutions.

The United Nations imposed worldwide sanctions on Iraq following its August 2 invasion of neighboring Kuwait.

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#90271f1944 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Friday 354.11 up 5.73.

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#90271h0047 09/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
COLOMBO (SEPT. 28) XINHUA - SRI LANKA PRODUCED 159.47 MILLION KILOGRAMS OF BLACK TEA DURING THE FIRST EIGHT MONTHS OF THIS YEAR AS AGAINST 130.97 MILLION PRODUCED DURING THE SAME PERIOD IN 1989, AN INCREASES OF 28.5 MILLION KG, OR 21.8 PERCENT.

ACCORDING TO FIGURES ISSUED BY THE SRI LANKA TEA BOARD, 16.89 MILLION KG OF BLACK TEA WAS PRODUCED IN AUGUST THIS YEAR AS AGAINST 16.46 MILLION KG IN THE SAME MONTH OF THE PRECEDING YEAR. THIS SHOWS AN INCREASE OF 430,000 KG.

TEA, ONE OF SRI LANKA'S MAJOR EXPORT ITEMS AND THE SOURCE OF 26 PERCENT OF ITS EXPORT EARNING, IS GROWING ON ABOUT 250,000 HECTARES OF LAND. THE ISLAND COUNTRY EXPORTS ABOUT 200 MILLION KG OF TEA ANNUALLY.

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#90271k0070 09/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (SEPT. 28) KYODO - JAPAN'S HOUSING STARTS FELL FOR THE FIRST TIME IN FIVE MONTHS IN AUGUST BY A YEAR-ON-YEAR 0.1 PERCENT TO 143,070 UNITS, THE CONSTRUCTION MINISTRY SAID FRIDAY.

HOUSING STARTS WILL SHOW A DECLINING TREND IN THE COMING MONTHS BECAUSE HOUSING LOAN RATES ARE TO BE RAISED FROM OCTOBER 1 FOLLOWING A HIKE IN THE OFFICIAL DISCOUNT RATE IN LATE OF AUGUST, AN OFFICIAL AT THE MINISTRY SAID.

CONSTRUCTION OF SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES DROPPED FOR THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE MONTH, BY 8.7 PERCENT TO 40,423 HOUSES.

STARTS ON APARTMENTS, WHICH ARE AFFECTED BY THE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK, ALSO FELL BY 7.1 PERCENT TO 66,914 UNITS. IT WAS THE FIRST FALL IN 10 MONTHS, THE OFFICIAL SAID.

CONDOMINIUM STARTS, ON THE OTHER HAND, CONTINUED TO RISE FOR 11 STRAIGHT MONTHS TO 32,579 UNITS, UP BY A STRONG 37.1 PERCENT. STARTS OF CONDOMINIUMS WERE BRISK BECAUSE THEY ARE CONSTRUCTED ACCORDING TO LONG-TERM PLANS, FROM OBTAINING LAND TO CONSTRUCTION AND SELLING, THE OFFICIAL SAID.

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#90271k0099 09/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 28) KYODO - REFLECTING TIGHTENED GOVERNMENT CONTROLS, LENDING BY COMMERCIAL BANKS TO REAL ESTATE COMPANIES IN THE JULY-SEPTEMBER QUARTER WAS ONLY HALF OF WHAT IT WAS A YEAR EARLIER, BANK OF JAPAN SOURCES SAID FRIDAY.

THE SOURCES ALSO SAID THE GROWTH IN OVERALL LENDING FOR REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT PURPOSES, MOSTLY TO NONBANK INSTITUTIONS, PLUNGED BY NEARLY 80 PERCENT DURING THE PERIOD.

THE SOURCES DECLINED TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC FIGURES, HOWEVER, ALTHOUGH THEY NOTED THAT THE FINDINGS ARE BASED ON DATA FROM THE NATION'S 12 MAJOR COMMERCIAL BANKS WITH THEIR NATIONWIDE BRANCHES, THE THREE LONG-TERM CREDIT BANKS AND THE SEVEN TRUST BANKS.

SINCE APRIL THE FINANCE MINISTRY HAS INSTRUCTED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO KEEP GROWTH IN LENDING TO REAL ESTATE FIRMS BELOW OVERALL LENDING GROWTH IN A BID TO PREVENT SPECULATIVE DEALINGS IN REAL ESTATE, WHICH HAVE BEEN BLAMED FOR AN ONGOING LAND PRICE SPIRAL.

A BOJ SOURCE SAID THE LATEST FINDINGS SHOW BANKS ARE REVIEWING THEIR POLICIES ON REAL ESTATE-RELATED LENDING. ''EVEN TRUST BANKS WHICH HAD BEEN DEPENDENT ON REAL ESTATE LENDING ARE REVIEWING THEIR LENDING,'' THE SOURCE ADDED.

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#90271k0102 09/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 28) KYODO - FUJITSU LTD. HAS DEVELOPED A SYSTEM FOR AUTOMATIC TRANSLATION INTO ENGLISH OF JAPANESE SENTENCES ENTERED INTO A CENTRAL COMPUTER IN A PERSONAL COMPUTER (PC) COMMUNICATION NETWORK, THE COMPANY REVEALED FRIDAY.

OFFICIALS SAID THE NEW SYSTEM WILL SOON BE INTRODUCED INTO THE FUJITSU-AFFILIATED PC COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK, NIFTYSERVE, SO THAT NETWORK MEMBERS, EVEN THOSE NOT GOOD AT ENGLISH, MAY EASILY SEND ENGLISH-LANGUAGE ELECTRONIC MAIL TO OVERSEAS PARTNERS UTILIZING THE NEW SYSTEM.

THE OFFICIALS SAID A FUJITSU RESEARCH TEAM IS NOW DEVELOPING A SIMILAR ENGLISH-INTO-JAPANESE AUTOMATIC TRANSLATION SYSTEM.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH SYSTEMS WILL SPUR THE INTERNATIONALIZATION OF PC COMMUNICATIONS, THEY SAID.

OFFICIALS SAID THE NEW DEVELOPMENT IS A FULL-SCALE JAPANESE-LANGUAGE TRANSLATION SYSTEM WITH MACHINE TRANSLATION SOFTWARE WOVEN INTO THE NIFTYSERVE CENTRAL COMPUTER.

FUJITSU IS ALSO CONSIDERING THE POSSIBLE INAUGURATION OF JAPANESE-INTO-ENGLISH TRANSLATION SERVICES, UTILIZING THE NEW SYSTEM.

NIFTYSERVE IS JAPAN'S LARGEST PC COMMUNICATION NETWORK WITH A MEMBERSHIP OF 134,000 AS OF THE END OF AUGUST. THE UNITED STATES' LARGEST PC COMMUNICATION NETWORK, COMPUSERVE, HAS A MEMBERSHIP OF ABOUT 80,000. THE TWO NETWORKS ARE LINKED WITH EACH OTHER.

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#90271k0117 09/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MIYAZAKI (SEPT. 28) KYODO - TEN PERSONS ABOARD A CHARTERED HELICOPTER WERE KILLED WHEN IT CRASHED INTO A MOUNTAIN IN MIYAZAKI PREFECTURE THURSDAY IN THE WORST CASE OF ITS KIND, POLICE REPORTED ON FRIDAY.

RESCUERS FOUND THE BODIES OF EIGHT PASSENGERS AND TWO COCKPIT CREW IN THE WRECKAGE OF A HELICOPTER FOUND IN THE HYUGA MOUNTAINS EARLY FRIDAY, THE AUTHORITIES SAID.

THE HELICOPTER WAS CHARTERED BY ASAHI CHEMICAL INDUSTRY CO. AND BELONGED TO HANKYU AIRLINES. IT WENT MISSING ON ITS WAY TO THE CITY OF NOBEOKA, ABOUT 25 KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF HYUGA, AFTER TAKING OFF FROM MIYAZAKI AIRPORT ON THURSDAY NIGHT.

THE AIRCRAFT LOST CONTACT WITH THE COMPANY'S HELIPORT IN NOBEOKA AFTER CHIEF PILOT TOSHIHIKO SHIMIZU REPORTED HE WAS IN LOW CLOUDS AND ASKED CONDITIONS NEAR NOBEOKA AT ABOUT 9 P.M. THURSDAY, THE POLICE AUTHORITIES SAID. A LOCAL WITNESS REPORTED SIGHTING A HELICOPTER FLYING INTO A WRONG COURSE AFTER GYRATING A FEW TIMES NEAR THE SITE, THEY SAID.

IN THE LAND, SEA AND AIR SEARCH LAUNCHED BY SOME 500 POLICEMEN, THE FIRE BRIGADE, THE SELF-DEFENSE FORCE AND MARITIME SAFETY AGENCY OFFICIALS, THE MISSING HELICOPTER WAS FOUND BROKEN IN HALF WITH WRECKAGE SCATTERED AROUND, THE RESCUERS SAID.

THE BODIES OF THE TEN VICTIMS OF THE ACCIDENT WERE ALL RECOVERED AND BROUGHT TO THE ASAHI COMPANY OFFICE, THEY SAID.

THE CAUSE OF THE CRASH HAS YET TO BE DETERMINED AS AN INVESTIGATION WAS STILL UNDER WAY BY A JOINT TEAM OF EXPERTS SENT BY THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY AND THE MIYAZAKI PREFECTURAL POLICE HEADQUARTERS.

BUT THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY OFFICIALS GAVE THREE FACTORS AS CAUSING THE TRAGEDY BAD WEATHER DUE TO THE AUTUMNAL RAIN FRONT, NIGHT FLIGHT THAT MADE IT DIFFICULT TO DISCERN GEOGRAPHY, AND THE NEW HELICOPTER.

THE BKLL7B-1 WAS PUT INTO FOUR DAILY SHUTTLE SERVICES BETWEEN ASAHI CHEMICAL'S NOBEOKA PLANT AND MIYAZAKI AIRPORT IN APRIL LAST YEAR.

THE MINISTRY INSTRUCTED A NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF AIRLINE OPERATORS AND CALLED FOR STEPPED-UP SAFETY MEASURES FOR HELICOPTERS.

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#90271k0118 09/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 28) KYODO - ERS-1, THE FIRST EARTH RESOURCES SATELLITE, AND ASSEMBLED BY A GROUP OF SEVEN JAPANESE COMPANIES INCLUDING MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC CORP., WAS FRIDAY INTRODUCED TO THE PRESS FOR THE FIRST TIME AT MITSUBISHI'S KAMAKURA WORKS IN KANAGAWA PREFECTURE.

ASSEMBLING WORK ON THE SATELLITE HAS NEARLY BEEN COMPLETED BY THE GROUP, ON COMMISSION FROM THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY AND THE NATIONAL SPACE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (NASDA).

THE ATTITUDE CONTROL EQUIPMENT AND SOPHISCATED ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT, SO FAR KEPT SECRET, WERE UNVEILED. HOWEVER, AN ANTENNA OF THE FOLDING SCREEN TYPE AND A SOLAR CELL WERE NOT MADE PUBLIC.

ERS-1'S TOP FEATURE IS THAT IT CAN OBSERVE THE STATE OF THE EARTH'S SURFACE IN DETAIL EVEN IN INCLEMENT WEATHER OR AT NIGHT, AND THAT IT CAN RECOGNIZE OBJECTS UP TO 18 METERS IN LENGTH AND WIDTH, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE SATELLITE CAN BE USED IN THE EXPLORATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES LIKE OIL AND MINERALS, IN THE COLLECTION OF DATA NECESSARY FOR PRESERVATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT, IN THE PREVENTION OF NATURAL CALAMITIES, AND IN THE HUNT FOR FISHERY RESOURCES.

THE SATELLITE IS A BOX TYPE, 3.1 METERS IN HEIGHT, 1.8 METERS IN WIDTH, 0.9 METER IN LENGTH, AND WEIGHING 1.4 TONS.

NASDA WILL SEND ERS-1 TO TSUKUBA SPACE CENTER IN TSUKUBA, IBARAKI PREFECTURE, NORTHEAST OF TOKYO, WHERE THE DURABILITY AND FUNCTIONS OF SENSORS WILL BE CHECKED BEFORE ITS LAUNCHING SCHEDULED FOR EARLY 1992.

INVESTMENTS IN THE PROJECT ARE ESTIMATED TO TOTAL 75 BILLION YEN.

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#90271k0122 09/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 28) KYODO - KAWASAKI KISEN KAISHA LTD. ON FRIDAY ANNOUNCED AN AGREEMENT WITH E.H. HARMS GMBH, A WEST GERMAN DISTRIBUTION COMPANY, TO INVEST IN ITS CAR CARRIER OPERATING SUBSIDIARY.

THE MAJOR JAPANESE SHIPPING COMPANY SAID THE AMOUNT OF INVESTMENT WILL BE DETERMINED BY JANUARY 1. OFFICIALS INDICATED THAT AT LEAST 1 BILLION YEN WILL BE INVESTED IN THE CAR CARRIER FIRM, FOR EQUALL OWNERSHIP BY KAWASAKI AND THE

BREMEN-BASED PARENT COMPANY.

ANALYSTS SAID JAPANESE AUTOMAKERS ARE STARTING PRODUCTION IN EUROPE AHEAD OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY'S FULL MARKET INTEGRATION SCHEDULED FOR 1992, AND MAJOR JAPANESE SHIPPING COMPANIES ARE BUILDING UP THEIR CAR TRANSPORTATION NETWORKS IN THE REGION.

THE SUBSIDIARY, CAR FEEDER SERVICE, ALSO BASED IN BREMEN, IS OPERATING THREE SMALL CAR CARRIERS, MAINLY BETWEEN GERMANY, SCANDINAVIA AND BRITAIN.

KAWASAKI OFFICIALS SAID LARGER SHIPS CAPABLE OF CARRYING 500 TO 600 CARS WILL BE ADDED TO THE FIRM'S FLEET.

THE HARMS GROUP IS ENGAGED MAINLY IN TRUCKING, FORWARDING, SEA AND RIVER SHIPPING, AND TERMINAL OPERATIONS.

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#90271k0123 09/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (SEPT. 28) KYODO - VICTOR CO. OF JAPAN (JVC) WILL SET UP A JOINT VENTURE IN JAPAN SPECIALIZING IN THE SALE OF AUDIO SOFTWARE WITH MCA RECORDS, THE AUDIO DIVISION OF THE U.S. ENTERTAINMENT GIANT MCA INC., INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID FRIDAY.

JVC, A LEADING MANUFACTURER OF VIDEOCASSETTE RECORDERS, AND MCA ARE CURRENTLY NEGOTIATING THE TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT, INCLUDING THE PERCENTAGE OF CAPITAL EACH FIRM WILL PUT UP FOR THE VENTURE AND THE TIMING OF ITS ESTABLISHMENT.

MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., A WORLD LEADER IN CONSUMER ELECTRONICS, WHICH HAS A 51 PERCENT STAKE IN JVC, IS CURRENTLY CONSIDERING A TAKEOVER OF MCA.

INDUSTRY SOURCES SAY THAT MATSUSHITA AND MCA HOPE TO INCREASE TIES THROUGH THE CREATION OF A JOINT VENTURE, BEFORE DECIDING ON THE TAKEOVER.

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#90271k0130 09/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

BRUSSELS (SEPT. 28) KYODO - THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC) AND JAPAN HAVE REACHED A BASIC ACCORD TO HOLD DOWN JAPAN'S MARKET SHARE OF AUTO EXPORTS TO THE REGION TO 18 PERCENT FOLLOWING THE INTEGRATION OF ITS MARKET IN 1992, SOURCES SAID FRIDAY.

THE TWO SIDES ALSO AGREED TO GIVE EC AUTOMAKERS A FIVE-YEAR TRANSITION PERIOD AFTER THE MERGING OF THE MARKETS BEFORE COMPLETELY LIBERALIZING THE AUTO MARKET TO JAPANESE MANUFACTURERS, THEY SAID.

DURING THIS FIVE-YEAR PERIOD JAPAN MUST CONTINUE TO MONITOR ITS AUTO EXPORTS

TO THE REGION.

THE SOURCES EXPECT SOME TIME TO ELAPSE BEFORE A FINAL AGREEMENT IS REACHED, SINCE MANY COUNTRIES WITHIN THE EC ARE STILL DIVIDED ON THE ISSUE.

FRANCE AND ITALY VEHEMENTLY OPPOSE SUCH A MOVE, SAYING THE CEILING IS MUCH TOO HIGH.

JAPAN'S OPPOSITION TO AN EC DEMAND ASSERTING THAT IT SHOULD REGULATE NOT ONLY DOMESTICALLY PRODUCED CARS DURING THE FIVE-YEAR PERIOD, BUT ALSO THOSE PRODUCED BY ITS AUTOMAKERS WITHIN THE EC, POSES ANOTHER STUMBLING BLOCK TO A FINAL SETTLEMENT, THE SOURCES SAID.

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#90271m0001 09/28/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (SEPT. 28) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that the index of leading economic indicators fell 1.2% in August. Economists had been predicting a drop of 1%.

Investor MARVIN DAVIS has offered to join the UNITED AIRLINES employee group trying to buy United parent UAL, but the employee group says it wants to go it alone. ... MICHAEL MILKEN's sentencing is postponed indefinitely. BANKRUPTCY COURT to withdraw $50 million from an escrow fund to pay for its operations. ... The British fashion house LAURA ASHLEY says it will close six factories in Whales and Ireland and lay off up to 1,500 workers.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

TREASURY UNDERSECRETARY MULFORD holds a news conference on the outcome of the IMF/WORLD BANK annual meeting this morning at 10:30 a.m. EDT. ... The Senate Finance Subcommittee will hold a hearing on the implementation of the U.S.-Canada free trade agreement. ... PRESIDENT BUSH meets with the Emir of Kuwait, SHEIK JABER AL-AHMED AL-SABAH.

FROM THE BEARS:

"The market is in the throw-away stage," says ROBERT WIBBLESMAN of KAYNE ANDERSON & CO. The last of the leaders - the medical stocks - are going down, and that is consistent with a giving up of hope." He says when medical stocks fall, "there are no soldiers left." In a normal situation, he says this type of action could produce a bottom, but upcoming third-quarter earnings reports, which are expected to be weak, and the troubles of bank stocks will prevent

such formation, according to Wibblesman. He says, "the selling could last a few more days." ("Investor's Daily", 9/28)

"We always say the trend is your friend," says JOHN BROOKS, a technical analyst at DAVIS MENDEL & REGENSTEIN, an Atlanta brokerage firm. "Well the trend is down, and [investors] should go with the flow - at least for part of their portfolio." Mr. Brooks suggests looking for short-sale candidates among companies with weak earnings, heavy insider selling and share prices below their 200-day moving averages. "In this kind of market, the weak get weaker. You will have plenty of candidates. Very few fish will swim upstream." (WSJ, 9/28) "I think this [bear market] is going to be a long, drawn-out affair," says MICKEY LEVY, chief economist at CRT GOVERNMENT SECURITIES. "And from a Main Street standpoint, a bear market hurts because of the loss in wealth that it causes." (NYT, 9/28)

"Maybe we could get a 100- to 150-point rally over the short run, but then the Dow's going down again, maybe to 2100," says JAMES HARPEL of HARPEL PARTNERS. "We're still in a bear market. We're in an unwinding of an overly leveraged financial system." ("USA Today", 9/28)

STOCK MARKET:

DONALD KRUEGER of SANYO SECURITIES says "you can't catch a falling knife," and so he has been avoiding the Tokyo market. But he also points out that while American investors have shunned the Nikkei stocks in recent years, "the market is now coming down to the kinds of valuations Americans can understand," and therefore buying opportunities may exist. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/28)

"I think we're headed for a recession and in a recession, earnings decline," says RICHARD BERNER of SALOMON BROTHERS. He says the market is weighing that factor along with "concerns about credit quality," and, hence, is moving downward. (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/27)

"The market is clearly feeding on itself, at this point," says FRED ANSCHEL of DEAN WITTER. "It is difficult to see anything positive in today's action other than it could have been worse." He says the steep decline may level out "because so much damage has already been done." ("Nightly Business Report", 9/27)

Some short sellers "are making a great deal of money" in the current market, says HUGO QUACKENBUSH, senior vice president at CHARLES SCHWAB & CO. The discount brokerage firm reports that its number of shares of stock borrowed, an indicator of short selling, is up 15% since July. "Sophisticated investors are shorting more stocks," says Quackenbush. NEIL DOLINSKY, a portfolio manager at C.C. DUNNAVAN & CO., says, "Selling short makes fantastic money in down markets." STAN WEINSTEIN, editor of the "Professional Tape Reader," says it doesn't make sense "to do aggressive shorting" after a 500-point decline in the market. "There are bound to be some oversold rallies in this bear market

" he says, advising would-be short sellers to wait until the market moves higher. (WSJ, 9/28)

"The market continues to fail to make any kind of consistent headway on any rally attempts [and] that is a real keen indication that it can't hold any meaningful support levels," says EUGENE PERONI JR., of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/27)

"The market is touchy right now and it all comes back to the Middle East," says JAMES CRIST of PARKER/HUNTER. ("USA Today", 9/28)

JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA of GRUNTAL & CO. says a fall in the Dow of nearly 600 points since the invasion of Kuwait is not enough. "The reason I don't buy that is [because] you're looking at the wrong top," he says. "It is our conjecture that the economy started to slip in the third quarter of last year and that the market at around 2600 should have been the top on the last advance" rather than nearly 3000. He says a logical bottom now would be about 2200 assuming the oil problem "disappears very quickly and very decisively in favor of the West and that consumers, seeing this, go on about their normal business" and Congress works out a budget agreement. In that scenario, he says, the Fed would bring interest rates down and the "economy will then unfold and probably in the summer of next year we'll start to see a rebound." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/27)

"What dominated the market was the decimation of the bank stocks," says HILDEGARDE ZAGORSKI of PRUDENTIAL- BACHE. "They got clobbered." ("USA Today" 9/28)

STOCK TIPS:

AMGEN INC. and CHIRON CORP. slipped yesterday, primarily on profit taking, according to BRANDON FRADD of MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. "They have held up really well until now," says Fradd. "I really wouldn't expect a bloodbath." ("Investor's Daily", 9/28)

With a 30% market share, "AIRBUS is actually a serious competitor in the market whereas, in the mid-70s it was actually regarded as a little bit of a joke," says CLIVE FORESTIER-WALKER of CHARTERHOUSE TILNEY. But American aerospace companies complain that Airbus is able to lower prices as a result of government subsidies. U.S. officials are considering filing a complaint with GATT. ("Nightly Business Report", 9/27)

"It seems that the question is not if war is going to break out, but when," says NAUMAN BARAKAT of MERRILL LYNCH. He points out that while there is currently a glut of oil, and no supply problems, the oil market "is operating on psychology," anticipating a disruption of supply. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/28)

"Regional banks were down sharply today," says JIM ROSENBURG, a bank analyst at LEHMAN BROTHERS. "One region that was exceptionally weak was the Southeast." ("Nightly Business Report", 9/27)

"There's a real serious question of confidence in the banking system," says JACK CONLON, head of trading at ROTHSCHILD INC. "Banks have become totally disfavored by institutional investors and are under heavy liquidation." He says that dividend cuts by CHASE MANHATTAN last week and by BANK OF BOSTON yesterday have intensified investors' cynicism. Now the big question plaguing bank investors is how bad can it get, says JUDAH KRAUSHAAR, a bank analyst at MERRILL LYNCH & CO. "The tremendous pressure on the bank stocks reflects a crisis of confidence and an inability of anyone to quantify the banks' exposure to non-performing assets." (WSJ, 9/28)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"There is nothing going on [in European currency trading this morning], probably because it is end-month and end- quarter trading," says KOICHI YAMANE manager at FUJI BANK in London. "Each currency has its own problems and people are not confident of which currency they should buy." He adds that traders are particularly uncertain about the dollar's prospects against the yen. (Reuters, 9/28)

"The [currency] market has no clear direction, and it probably won't until the budget situation is resolved and something happens in the Middle East," says EARL JOHNSON of HARRIS TRUST & CO. He says much of the action is the result of the market's "being constantly buffeted by rumors." ("Investor's Daily", 9/28)

"The [currency] market has been very jumpy" as a result of the plethora of rumors about the Middle East, says BILL ORSINI of BANK OF MONTREAL. (FNN "World Business Update", 9/28)

"The bids for bank debt issues have dried up to the point where the market has become illiquid," says THOMAS QUIGLEY of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE. "As a result, many quotes are more nominal than a reflection of normal tow-way trading." (NYT, 9/28)

"New cash that investors and money managers have is going into Treasurys," says WILLIAM BRACHFELD, executive vice president at DAIWA SECURITIES AMERICA INC. "There's wholesale dumping by institutions of common stocks and debt of

banks and financial institutions because they don't want them on their books at quarter's end, with the massive declines we've seen in prices lately. And the beneficiary of this is the Treasury market." (WSJ, 9/28)

"This probably is not the right time" to buy bank bonds, says NEIL CROWDER, investment analyst at IDS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. in Minneapolis. "The bonds do look cheap, but there's a good chance they will get even cheaper soon. My sense is there are so many people who want to get out of them right now that buying would be almost like stepping in front of a freight train." (WSJ, 9/28)

THE ECONOMY:

"The real essence of this [oil] market is not an immediate supply shortage but the fear of war," says JAYNE BALL of CENTURY RESOURCES. "There's a real fear that if you sell now you might not be able to replace that oil later." ("Investor's Daily", 9/28)

PRESIDENT BUSH's release of some of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve "is viewed as a token gesture," says GEORGE FRIESEN of DEUTSCHE BANK. "Five million barrels will not make a considerable difference in the overall supply/demand picture." (FNN "Marketwrap", 9/27)

"I don't think we are [in a recession]," says JASON BENDERLY of BENDERLY ECONOMIC ASSOCIATES. "As the numbers have come in, including the consumer spending numbers [Wednesday], they showed that the economy was stronger going into the third-quarter than many believe. Consumers spending just based on [Wednesday's] numbers in July and August will rise at a 3% to 4% annual rate in the third quarter in real terms. That's not a recession decline in consumer spending. That's quite healthy growth."pp (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/27)

"This is a market that needs to be hit with a two-by- four," says EDWARD KRAPELS of ENERGY SECURITY ANALYSIS, commenting on oil prices. But he says tapping into the nation's strategic oil reserve could be a mistake if handled wrong. "If you drew down a little and it didn't work, you've neutered the thing," he says. (NYT, 9/28)

PRESIDENT BUSH's move to pull oil out of the strategic reserve "was too little too late," says ETHAN KAPSTEIN, head of HARVARD's ECONOMICS AND NATIONAL SECURITY PROGRAM. Five million barrels can change hands in 10 minutes of trading on the NEW YORK MERCHANTILE EXCHANGE, says TOM KLOZA of the OIL PRICE INFORMATION SERVICE. ("USA Today", 9/28)

IN WASHINGTON:

The condition of the fund that insures bank deposits appears to worsen with regulators revising their estimates of losses for the year by 50%, to more than $3 billion. "I don't think it's a question of crisis and panic," says

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. chief WILLIAM SEIDMAN. "It's a sign of increased stress." (NYT, 9/28)

The SENATE has approved a compromise measure intended to strengthen the enforcement powers of the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION. The bill, now headed for the HOUSE, allows the SEC to impose civil penalties for a wide range for securities law violations. Now it can impose fines only for violations of insider trading. (NYT, 9/28)

Federal examiners say organized crime figures have looted some failing banks and savings and loans in New England. "We're seeing big, sophisticated fraud " says FAITH HOCHBERG, who heads enforcement efforts in the East for the OFFICE OF THRIFT SUPERVISION. "There are several institutions where examiners have reported activities that warrant futher investigation." ("USA Today", 9/28)

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BUFFALO, N.Y. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Cellular Products, Inc. (NASDAQ: CELP) a company engaged in the development and marketing of biotechnology products, has received a grant award from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) under the Small Business Innovative Research Program (SBIR) to continue studies of a series of biological molecules that have been shown to neutralize the AIDS virus in test tube studies. Approximately $496,000 over a two-year period has been awarded as a Phase II SBIR grant.

The initial findings were funded by the company and resulted in patent applications being filed by the company on a worldwide basis. The company was also able to conduct additional studies with the assistance of a $50,000 Phase I SBIR grant. The company's vice president for research and development, Dr. Lawrence D. Papsidero, who has been responsible for guiding the research efforts, stated, "The NIH award permits us to continue our research efforts that could potentially lead to novel approaches to AIDS vaccines and related therapeutics. In addition, we will be able to increase the size of our research group and to conduct projects which expand the scientific and product development opportunities of the company."

Dr. Richard A. Montagna, president of the firm, further stated, "We are proud of our scientific staff for their tremendous efforts in these important studies and we are pleased that the NIH has shown continued confidence in supporting our scientific approaches. We have publicly stated in the past that we recognize that considerable financial resources are required to completely develop a therapeutic agent and thus our overall goal remains to bring this technology to a more mature level to permit potential licensing arrangements. In addition, as our company continues to reshape its goals and objectives, we expect that a new look to Cellular Products will emerge."

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GREENFIELD, Mass. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Bank of Western Massachusetts and West Mass Bankshares Inc. (NASDAQ: WMBS) have executed a non-binding letter of intent whereby The Bank of Western Massachusetts proposes to acquire West Mass Bankshares Inc., including its sole bank subsidiary, United Savings Bank.

United Savings Bank is a Massachusetts stock savings bank with six full service offices located in Franklin and Hampshire Counties and total assets of $191,000,000 as of June 30, 1990.

The Bank of Western Massachusetts is a Massachusetts chartered trust company with offices in Springfield and Holyoke, Mass. As of June 30, 1990, The Bank of Western Massachusetts had total assets of $143,000,000.

The proposed acquisition would be accomplished through a holding company to be formed by The Bank of Western Massachusetts which would acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of West Mass Bankshares Inc. at a price equal to 100 percent of West Mass Bankshares Inc. adjusted book value.

Pursuant to the letter of intent, the acquisition agreement will set forth the agreed upon adjusted book value, which shall be no greater than $11.42/share or less than $10.34/share with the purchase price being paid in a combination of cash and stock of the new holding company to be formed. The transaction is subject to the execution of a definitive agreement and to shareholder approval of both banks and regulatory approval of both the formation of the holding company and the transaction itself.

In making the joint announcement, Frank P. Fitzgerald, chairman of the board and Timothy P. Crimmins, Jr., president of the Bank of Western Massachusetts and Francis L. Lemay, president and chief executive officer of West Mass Bankshares Inc. cited "the complimentary nature of the products and services provided by the banks and the geographic bank network which would be created" as the most compelling reasons for the combination of the two banks.

They further pointed out that although the form of the proposed transaction is an acquisition, it is being viewed as a consolidation of two locally managed successful banks. The banks will continue to operate independently with no major changes in management or personnel.

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#90271p9199 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAYNE, N.J. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Lederle-Praxis Biologicals, a business unit of American Cyanamid Company (NYSE: ACY), today announced that it has completed the filing process for a Product License Application (PLA) with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for a new vaccine to prevent pertussis (whooping cough), diphtheria and tetanus.

The filing seeks approval for the use of the vaccine as a booster series immunization in children ages 17 months to 7 years.

The new vaccine is composed of the current diphtheria and tetanus toxoids manufactured by Lederle and an acellular pertussis component licensed from its developer, Takeda Chemical Industries, Ltd. of Japan. The licensing agreement provides Lederle-Praxis Biologicals with exclusive rights worldwide except in Japan and Eastern Europe.

Approximately 14 million doses of the Takeda acellular pertussis vaccine have been administered to Japanese children since it was approved for sale in that country in 1981. Japan is currently the only country in the world to use acellular pertussis vaccines routinely to immunize its infants and young children.

"The ability of the Takeda acellular pertussis vaccine to protect against pertussis disease has been determined by studying Japanese children 2 years of age," said Dr. Ron Saldarini, president and chief executive officer of Lederle-Praxis Biologicals.

"Antibody response seen in U.S. children correlates well with the response seen in Japanese children. In addition, the immunogenicity, or ability to raise antibodies, in U.S. children is comparable to that of the whole-cell pertussis vaccine that has controlled the disease in the U.S. for many years," Dr. Saldarini explained.

"While our current filing applies only to booster immunization, we are actively pursuing a clinical research program for use of the vaccine in younger infants," Dr. Saldarini concluded.

Lederle-Praxis Biologicals, a business unit of American Cyanamid, is a leader in developing, manufacturing, marketing and distributing vaccines to prevent serious childhood and adult infectious diseases. Current Lederle-Praxis Biologicals vaccine products include those to prevent polio, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, Haemophilus influenzae type b disease, pneumococcal pneumonia and viral influenzae.

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#90271p9200 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to a press release issued by Creative BioMolecules Inc., Genex Corp. (NASDAQ: GNEX) said it has been advised by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) that no interference has been declared with respect to the patent protecting Genex's single-chain antigen-binding (SCA(TM)) protein technology.

The advice followed an incorrect statement released yesterday by Creative BioMolecules that the PTO had declared a patent interference. Creative previously announced it had requested such a declaration.

On Aug. 7, Genex was issued U.S. Patent, No. 4,946,778, titled "Single-Chain Polypeptide Binding Molecules," which protects the genes, vectors, hosts and manufacturing methods necessary for producing SCA proteins. These bioengineered molecules have the potential of replacing antibodies in the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other life- threatening diseases.

Scientists at the National Cancer Institute and Genex reported on July 18 the first successful in vivo targeting of tumors using a Genex SCA protein that had been transplanted into mice. Genex has been issued three other patents on SCA protein design methods. Additional patents covering Genex's SCA proteins, their uses and related technology are pending in the United States and foreign countries.

Genex Corp. utilizes its proprietary expertise in protein engineering to design and produce specialized pharmaceuticals, surgical bioadhesives and other health care products.

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#90271p9209 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - A patent infringement suit between Parker Automotive Corp. (NASDAQ: PKRA) and Triangle Special Products Group has been dismissed without prejudice in the United States District Court for the Central District of California.

The suit alleged that Parker Automotive Corp.'s P200 model CarbonClean machine (commonly referred to as the "red" automotive unit) infringed on the patents held by Triangle Special Products Group on their fuel system flushing system. With the dismissal, each party will pay his own costs.

Michael E. Parker, chief executive officer of Parker Automotive Corp. said, "We are glad to have an amicable end to this litigation, and expect to be working cooperatively with Triangle in the future."

Triangle Special Products Group is a division of the Triangle Corp. of Stamford, Conn.

Parker Automotive Corp., headquartered in Costa Mesa, manufactures a family of CarbonClean products for virtually every type of internal combustion engine. These products flush harmful pollutants from the engine fuel system combustion engine, which results in restored performance and engine economy, and drastically reduced exhaust emissions.

Parker Automotive Corp. has manufacturing facilities in Fountain Valley, Calif. and maintains sales offices worldwide. Currently, the CarbonClean products are distributed in approximately 60 nations.

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#90271p9210 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CALIF. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Automotive Corp. (NASDAQ: PKRA) today announced the appointment of Diyar Corp., of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia as the exclusive distributor of CarbonClean products in the kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

The agreement calls for annual minimum purchases of CarbonClean products by Diyar Corp. of over $1 million. The initial term of the contract is one year with a five-year renewable option.

Diyar Corp. distributes engine-related machinery and tools throughout Saudi Arabia and other gulf countries. They also provide contracting and maintenance services to governmental agencies and private companies who operate water irrigation equipment, oil field equipment and related equipment.

Diyar Corp. had signed an exclusive distribution contract upon their visit to the United States in July, but the intervention of the Iraqi invasions of Kuwait had pushed back delivery of the initial stocking order from August 1990 to the present.

"Now that the events in the Mid-East have more or less stabilized to the point that it is business as usual for Diyar, we expect to proceed with our plan to make CarbonClean a highly successful product in Saudi Arabia," said Adnan Amin vice president of Diyar Corp. "We expect CarbonClean to be of great benefit as a maintenance tool in our country. For example, irrigation equipment and oil field equipment cannot be removed from the site for service. All maintenance must be performed on site. Therefore, when service is required, it is performed in the desert, and when an engine is open, it is subject to contamination by sand, dust and other contaminants. We see CarbonClean as a

method of servicing engines without tearing them down in the most remote locations, thereby enhancing the long- term life of that equipment," continued Amin.

CarbonClean is a patented system that cleans gum, varnish, carbon and other contaminants from engine fuel systems. This system functions without removing engine components and the cleaning results in restored horsepower and fuel economy, and significantly reduced exhaust emissions.

CarbonClean products are currently distributed in nearly 60 nations. Domestically, CarbonClean is approved, and in some cases marketed by various automobile manufacturers, petroleum companies, service franchises and more.

Parker Automotive Corp. is headquartered in Costa Mesa. Manufacturing facilities are in Fountain Valley, Calif., and sales offices are maintained worldwide.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Volvo North America Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Sweden's AB Volvo (NASDAQ: VOLVY), announced organizational and management changes effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Volvo's ongoing organizational development, marked most recently by the establishment of a headquarters function in New York last year, will result in a further delegation of business responsibilities. The reporting lines for Volvo's North American operating units are being restructured to align the marketing companies more closely with the product companies in Sweden. These actions are in line with the worldwide organizational changes being made within the Volvo Group as a consequence of its previously announced alliance with Renault.

Volvo North America Corporation will represent the Volvo Group in North America and oversee its many business activities, including Volvo Finance North America, Inc. It will also continue to hold and administer Volvo's other North American investments, including, for example, its 26 percent stake in Hertz Corporation (through parent company Park Ridge Corporation) and 20 percent stake in Minstar (through parent company IJ Holdings).

Also, Bjorn Ahlstrom, 56, announced his resignation, effective Dec. 31, 1990, as president and chief executive officer of Volvo North America. Ahlstrom has held that post since 1972. Ahlstrom will continue to represent Volvo through continuing assignments as a board member of IJ Holdings and Park Ridge Corporation. He will also serve on the board of Volvo GM Heavy Truck

Corporation and on the boards of Volvo companies outside North America.

Albert R. Dowden, 48, will succeed him as president and chief executive officer of Volvo North America Corporation and will be appointed a senior vice president of AB Volvo. Dowden joined Volvo North America in 1974 as general counsel and presently serves as executive vice president and deputy to the chief executive officer. Dowden will start to assume his new responsibilities as of Oct. 1, 1990, working with Ahlstrom to effect a smooth transition.

Pehr G. Gyllenhammar, chairman and chief executive officer of AB Volvo, said: "Bjorn Ahlstrom has done an outstanding job as head of Volvo North America Corporation. During his tenure, sales grew twentyfold to $3.9 billion in 1989. We will miss him, but are pleased that he will continue his association with Volvo in important posts. We wish him success in his future endeavors."

Gyllenhammar added that Volvo is fortunate to have someone of Dowden's caliber to take over. "Under Rick Dowden, Volvo North America Corporation will be in very capable hands," said Gyllenhammar. "In addition to his operational responsibilities, Mr. Dowden has served as chairman of Volvo North America's parts business and Volvo Penta Production division, as well as serving as a director of Volvo North America Corporation, its Volvo Cars of North America and Volvo Finance North America, Inc."

As a result of the restructuring, Joseph L. Nicolato, president of Volvo Cars of North America, will report to the president of Volvo Car Corporation in Sweden. Thage Berggren, president of Volvo GM Heavy Truck Corporation, will report to the president of Volvo Truck Corporation in Sweden. Alan Revington president of Volvo Penta of America, will report to the president of AB Volvo Penta in Sweden.

The major strategic alliance announced by Volvo and Renault last February involves the purchase of minority stakes in each other and coordination of product development, purchasing and investment.

Volvo is the largest importer of European-built cars in the United States. Last year, Volvo sold 101,847 cars in the United States and 7,033 in Canada, and through its Volvo GM Heavy Truck Corporation subsidiary also captured 12 percent of the U.S. heavy duty truck market.

The parent company, AB Volvo, is a $15 billion international organization. Headquartered in Gothenburg, Sweden, Volvo is a broadly based industrial group whose core business areas are cars, trucks, buses, marine and industrial engines, and aerospace. Volvo also has substantial interests in the construction equipment, food and pharmaceutical industries.

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#90271p9215 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - International Multifoods Corporation (NYSE: IMC) announced today that it has received notice from Archer-Daniels-Midland Company (NYSE: ADM) under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act, stating that ADM intends to acquire voting securities of Multifoods in such quantities as will meet or exceed 15 percent of Multifoods' outstanding common stock.

ADM disclosed in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission Sept. 6, 1990, that ADM owns 9.43 percent of Multifoods' outstanding common stock. ADM's purchases were made beginning in June 1989.

Under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act, ADM cannot purchase in excess of 10 percent of Multifoods' outstanding common stock prior to the expiration of the applicable waiting period.

Minneapolis-based International Multifoods is a diversified food company with major operations in the United States, Canada and Venezuela.

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#90271p9218 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
INDIANAPOLIS (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Anacomp, Inc. (NYSE: AAC, Midwest) announced today that the company has received waivers from its banks and its subordinated debt holders extending the company's obligation to complete its refinancing to late October.

The company also confirmed that "discussions are continuing constructively" with its subordinated debt holders with respect to their participation in the refinancing. The completion of the transaction will require the participation of substantially all its subordinated debt holders, from whom the company is actively pursuing commitments, on terms which have been tentatively agreed to by the large majority of such holders.

Under the terms of the waivers the company has obtained, which remain unchanged, the company is required (i) under its bank credit agreement to refinance its increasing rate notes by Oct. 23, 1990, (ii) under its 12.25 percent note and increasing rate note indentures to offer to purchase $7.1 million and $50 million, respectively, by Oct. 30, 1990 and (iii) under its increasing rate note indenture and bank credit agreement to make certain payments if the increasing rate notes are outstanding on Oct. 28, 1990.

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NEW ORLEANS (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Ocean Drilling & Exploration Co. (NYSE: ODR) announced that it has received a tax ruling relating to its previously announced restructuring plans which include the initial public offering of between 17 percent and 18-1/2 percent of the shares in its newly formed contract drilling subsidiary, ODECO Inc.

Plans are to proceed with the initial public offering of ODECO Inc. shares once a registration statement on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission has become effective. The initial public offering will only be made by means of a prospectus.

CONTACT: Al Spindler of Ocean Drilling & Exploration, 504-561-2282.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - First Liberty Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: FLFC) today announced the completion of the transaction with SouthTrust Corp. of Birmingham, Ala., in which SouthTrust purchased a First Liberty subsidiary, SouthTrust Bank, F.S.B. (formerly Liberty Savings Bank of South Georgia).

SouthTrust Bank has 17 branch offices in north Georgia with approximately $200 million in deposits. It will be headquartered in Atlanta, and Thomas H. Coley will be its president and chief executive officer.

Commenting on the transaction, First Liberty Chairman and Chief Executive Officer R. Gordon Rowell said: "We are very pleased to have completed the transaction with SouthTrust, a process which took almost nine months. SouthTrust is a sound, well-managed organization and we know they will be successful in the Atlanta market."

Continuing, Rowell described the benefits of the transaction to First Liberty and Liberty Savings Bank. "Before the transaction, Liberty did not meet the capital requirements of the Office of Thrift Supervision, but we now substantially exceed the present requirements as well as the fully phased-in 1995 requirements. Liberty now has a balance sheet with approximately $750 million of assets, $717 million of liabilities, and $33 million of equity capital. The bank will focus its activities on delivering quality banking services through its 17 full-service offices in the strong middle Georgia, coastal Georgia and south Georgia markets.

The company also reported that Liberty Savings had recently finalized a supervisory agreement with the OTS that resolved some regulatory issues arising from the agency's June 1989 examination of the institution. "We are pleased to have resolved those issues with the OTS," Rowell said, pointing out that the agreement would have no financial effect on the company.

The company also announced the recent sale to The Massachusetts Co. of Liberty Savings Bank's credit card portfolio of approximately $6 million. The gain realized on that sale was used to strengthen Liberty's general loan loss reserves which were $3.6 million at Aug. 31, or approximately 1.05 percent of risk assets (defined as all loans except permanent residential mortgage loans).

First Liberty Financial Corp. is a unitary savings and loan holding company which owns Liberty Savings Bank, F.S.B. Its common stock is quoted through the National Market System of the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASDAQ) under the symbol FLFC. Its convertible subordinated debentures are quoted through NASDAQ under the symbol FLFCG.

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WEIRTON, WV (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Herbert Elish has entered into a new employment agreement with Weirton Steel Corp. (NYSE: WS) in which he will remain as chairman, president and chief executive officer for an indefinite period, the company said today.

Elish, 57, began duties as Weirton's leader on July 27, 1987, under an agreement that would have expired in July 1992. Weirton's board of directors announced the new employment agreement with Elish. "The board is confident that the new agreement reflects Mr. Elish's desire and commitment to remain as CEO of Weirton Steel for the remainder of his working career," the board said in a written statement.

Weirton Steel is the nation's seventh largest steelmaker.

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DALLAS (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Dorchester Hugoton, Ltd. (NASDAQ-NMS: DHULZ), a Texas limited partnership, announced today that on Sept. 22, 1990, the District Court of Texas County, Okla., entered judgment for $4,715,326 in behalf of Dorchester Hugoton, Ltd. in a suit between Dorchester Hugoton, Ltd. and Dorchester Master Limited Partnership and Damson Oil Corporation. The suit relates to an acquisition by Dorchester Hugoton, Ltd. in 1986 of the

remaining 20 percent interest which Dorchester Master Limited Partnership and Damson Oil Corporation held in the Dorchester properties in the Guymon-Hugoton field in Oklahoma. The general partners of Dorchester Hugoton, Ltd. anticipate that Damson will seek a new trial and, if unsuccessful, will appeal the judgment.

Dorchester Hugoton, Ltd., is a Dallas based producer of natural gas and its Depositary Receipts are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: LMTS) announced today that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has allowed the company's claims for its TurboRes(TM) resolution enhancement technology for improving the quality of printing by desktop laser printers. TurboRes technology is used by the company in its line of plain-paper "desktop" typesetters and printer controllers. TurboRes enhances the discernible resolution of laser printers and minimizes the "stair-step" edges, known as "jaggies," that occur in text and line art produced by most desktop laser printers used for desktop publishing and commercial printing resolutions. The company's products print documents that compare in appearance to documents produced at resolutions of up to 1,200 by 1,200 dots per inch.

Larry Lukis, chief technical officer of LaserMaster, stated: "We believe that resolution and quality will become the most important factors in distinguishing our laser printer product line, and allowance of our patent claims provides us important protection for the advances LaserMaster has made in these areas." The allowance of patent claims means that the technology has been accepted as patentable and unique, and that a patent will be issued upon the inventor's request.

LaserMaster Technologies, Inc., designs, manufactures and markets laser printer and display systems and subsystems for high quality electronic printing and desktop publishing applications. LMT's products include high performance printer controllers, plain-paper desktop typesetters and integrated electronic publishing systems which feature the company's proprietary TurboRes resolution enhancement technology.

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WILMINGTON, DEL. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Executive vice presidents James F.

Kearns and Nicholas Pappas, along with Robert M. Aiken, group vice president - petrochemicals, and W. Robert Clay, vice president - imaging systems, will retire by the end of this year, DuPont (NYSE: DD) announced today.

Kearns and Pappas' responsibilities include the company's fibers business and corporate plans function respectively. Both Kearns and Pappas are also members of the company's Executive Committee, which will be dissolved in one of several organizational changes being made coincident with the retirements.

An Office of the Chairman will be established, consisting of Edgar S. Woolard, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer; Elwood P. (Doc) Blanchard, Jr., vice chairman; C. S. (Dino) Nicandros, executive vice president and president and chief executive officer of Conoco, Inc.; Jerald A. Blumberg, senior vice president - Du Pont human resources and Du Pont corporate plans; and John J. Quindlen, senior vice president- DuPont finance.

"Jim Kearns, Nick Pappas, Bob Aiken and Bob Clay together have contributed almost 150 years of superb service to DuPont," Woolard said in commenting on the four retirements. "DuPont has benefitted enormously from their leadership and expertise. Their departures will be a significant loss."

Woolard said the several organizational changes "will empower people, improve the speed and quality of decision making and create a flexible network that fosters and requires increased interaction and the free flow of information across businesses, regions and functions. I believe that through these actions we will more quickly realize our vision of becoming a great global company through people," Woolard added.

As a result of the retirements, John A. Krol, group vice president - agricultural products, will become senior vice president - DuPont fibers. J. E. (Ted) Newall, chairman and chief executive officer of DuPont Canada, Inc. will assume the additional responsibility of senior vice president - DuPont agricultural products. He will maintain offices in Wilmington and Toronto, while residing in Toronto.

The Petrochemicals Department will join with the Chemicals & Pigments Department to form DuPont Chemicals.

Blumberg will assume responsibility for corporate plans, in addition to his responsibility for human resources.

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#90271p9238 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Siemens Energy & Automation Inc. announced today the election of Thomas J. Malott as president

and chief executive officer of Siemens Energy & Automation effective Oct. 1.

He succeeds Harry S. Burker Jr., who is retiring from the position he has held since 1985.

Malott, who has been senior vice president and chief operating officer since November 1988, had previously held the post of group executive and vice president of the electrical products group. He joined Siemens Energy & Automation in August 1986 from the Ransburg Corp., where he had served as president and chief operating officer. From 1969 to 1981 he held various key management positions with Parker Hannifin Corp. These included general manager of the mobile hydraulic division and vice president of operations for the fluid power group.

A graduate of Purdue University with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering, and of Western Michigan University with a master's degree in business administration, Malott holds numerous patents in the field of hydraulics and control systems.

Burker joined the company in 1983 when Siemens acquired the I-T-E business from Gould Inc. In 1985 he was appointed president and chief executive officer of the company.

Siemens Energy & Automation manufactures electrical and electronic equipment for commercial and residential construction, general industry, and electric utilities. A member of the Siemens Group, the company markets its products worldwide.

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NORTHVALE, N.J. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - John H. Klein, president and chief executive officer of Zenith Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ: ZENL), a New Jersey-based pharmaceutical company, and Charles T. Lay, president of Geneva Generics, a Colorado-based pharmaceutical company, announced today that they have signed an agreement to co-market a major diuretic/antihypertensive product, pending approval at FDA.

The drug, manufactured by Cord Laboratories, a subsidiary of Geneva Generics, will be co-marketed under the Zenith Laboratories Inc. label and the Geneva Generics label.

CONTACT: Richard Shepperd of Zenith Laboratories, 201-767-1700

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) today introduced the first operational international video conferencing service between the United States and the Soviet Union in a conference between Sam R. Willcoxon, president-AT&T International Group and Vladimir Ivanovich Glinka, Minister of Communications of the U.S.S.R.

The conference participants were in New York and Moscow. International Business Videoconferencing service utilizes AT&T's International ACCUNET(R) Reserved Digital Service, a high-speed, high-capacity digital transmission service available on a reservation basis. The signal travels by a variety of sophisticated terrestrial and satellite services to offer full-motion video and audio between two or more compatibly equipped facilities. These can either be a company's private room or one of more than 100 publicly available rooms in major cities in 18 countries.

"For us at AT&T, nothing says more about the growing importance of the world economy than the rapidly growing market for videoconferencing services," said Willcoxon.

AT&T said it expects business customers' demand for conference time to be significant. "Corporate and industrial globalization is increasing at a breathtaking rate," said Elaine J. Kaup, deputy director for AT&T International Dedicated Services.

"We're delighted to offer this communications option to the many businesses looking to participate in the multifaceted market growth the Soviet Union will experience in the coming years. Videoconferencing offers them the opportunity to make timely, informed decisions in a more productive, cost-effective way," she said.

Among the popular applications for international videoconferencing service are coordinating global manufacturing activities, managing worldwide investment portfolios, product design, financial reporting, architectural and engineering reviews and such events as training and strategy sessions, product introductions, auctions and press conferences.

The videoconferencing room in Moscow, operated by the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications of the U.S.S.R., is a state-of-the-art facility that offers conference table seating for six participants, dedicated cameras, monitors, a VCR, facsimile, white board, slides and graphics capability. Cost for a one-hour New York-Moscow conference is expected to be approximately $3,200, including transmission and public room charges. In the United States, businesses interested in reserving the facility for conferences should call AT&T at 800-323-6672.

CONTACT: Patty Timson, 201-953-7412, or at home, 215-827-9015, or Rick Wallerstein, 201-953-7911, or at home, 201-771-9570, both of AT&T.

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#90271p9253 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Leon L. Haley, president and chief executive officer of the Urban League of Pittsburgh, has been elected to the board of directors of Union National Bank, it was announced today.

Prior to his appointment to the Urban League in 1985, Haley served as the associate dean and acting dean of the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs at the University of Pittsburgh.

Haley is a 1955 graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, received his master's from Boston University in 1958, and earned a Ph.D. in political science from the University of Pittsburgh in 1974. He also has served as a research associate for the Brookings Institute.

He is actively involved in the Pittsburgh community, serving on numerous boards and committees. He is a member of the boards of directors of the Boy Scouts of Allegheny County, the Pittsburgh Public Theatre, the Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation, WQED Communications and the Committee of Educational Testing Service. He also serves on the Governor's Appelate Court Nominating Committee, the Board of Visitors of the Afro-American Studies Program at the University of Maryland, and is chairman of the National Urban League's Education Initiative Task Force.

Commenting on Haley's election to the board, Gayland B. Cook, president and chief executive officer of Union National Bank, said, "Dr. Haley's dedication to community service is admirable and will offer new insights to the board. It is a great honor to have him join the Union National team."

Union National Bank is an affiliate of Integra Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: ITGR) of Pittsburgh. Other Integra Banks are First National of Washington, First Seneca Bank, Gallatin National Bank, Keystone National Bank, McDowell National Bank and Pennbank. Integra also operates insurance, brokerage, credit card, leasing and investment subsidiaries.

CONTACT: Kevin Hennessy of Union National, 412-644-6249

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Medicis Pharmaceutical Corp. (NASDAQ: MDRXA MDRXU), a newly public company specializing in dermatological products and critical care medicine, announced today that it has completed the hiring of its sales and marketing force, "assembling a team of representatives with proven track records who are highly experienced in selling dermatological products," according to Jonah Shacknai, chairman and CEO of Medicis.

"Medicis has recruited the top-ranked and best-performing sales individuals from the leading pharmaceutical and dermatological companies in the country. We've offered them a highly incentivized compensation package which includes a strong competitive base salary and commission program, in addition to a stock option plan. We believe we now have in place one of the highest quality dermatology sales organizations in the country," Shacknai added.

Medicis Pharmaceutical Corp. went public on March 28, 1990, with the intention of using a substantial portion of the proceeds of the offering to build a sales and marketing organization.

Leonard Mazur, executive vice president, sales and marketing of Medicis, stated, "We are very much on target. The Medicis sales team is now affecting significant distribution among drug wholesalers and retail pharmacists. All of the major drug wholesalers have agreed to distribute the Medicis product line."

Medicis' principal focus is the $2 billion dermatology market where it has developed high-quality, innovative products. The company will soon launch a unique acne care line which includes Theramycin(TM) Z, a topical antibiotic that combines erythromycin and zinc, and BenzaShave(TM), a prescription shaving product used in the treatment of pseudofolliculitus barbae (razor bumps). Medicis also plans to launch Paplex(TM) and Paplex Ultra, a family of products to treat common and plantor warts, and Onyplex(TM), a nail hardener and bite deterrent. Next month Medicis will unveil its Theraplex(TM) family of therapeutic moisturizers and shampoos.

CONTACT: Peter S. Knight, general counsel of Medicis Pharmaceutical, 212-599-2000, or Sherry Spalter of The Wall Street Group, 212-344-9131, for Medicis Pharmaceutical

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#90271p9260 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
DRESHER, PA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Selas Corporation of America (AMEX: SLS) announced today that Kenneth T. Joyce has resigned as vice president and treasurer effective Sept. 30, 1990, to pursue new career opportunities.

Stephen F. Ryan, president and chief executive officer of Selas, said the firm is in the process of identifying a successor.

CONTACT: Stephen F. Ryan, president and CEO of Selas, 215-283-8402.

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#90271p9263 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHARLOTTE, N.C. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Piedmont Mining Company, Inc.

(NASDAQ: PIED) today announced the results of a preliminary feasibility study and economic evaluation of the mineral inventory at its Haile Gold Mine near Kershaw, S.C., by American Mine Services, Inc. of Aurora, Colo. The study shows that under one scenario, 6,404,000 tons of the proven and probable mineral inventory in four mineralized zones at the Haile Mine property could be mineable from several open pits with an average strip ratio of 3.5 to 1. This tonnage would have an average grade of 0.063 ounces per ton with a cutoff grade of 0.02 ounces per ton. A mill is envisioned with a total capital cost for the project of about $15 million.

The preliminary economic analysis shows that at a milling rate of 3,000 tons of ore per day, gold production could average about 60,000 ounces per year with a mine life of more than six years. At a gold price of $400 per ounce, the total pretax cash flow for the project could be about $45 million after deducting the $15 million capital cost. Additional drilling, metallurgical testing and engineering studies are recommended and these numbers may change with further study and analysis. Piedmont is examining financing alternatives to evaluate and develop the potential of the mineral inventory at its Haile property. These financing alternatives may include a private placement of new equity capital or a joint venture or business combination with another mining company.

The proven and probable mineral inventory at the Haile Mine is now 14,485,000 tons with an average grade of 0.048 ounces of gold per ton containing a total of 700,000 ounces of gold with a cutoff grade of 0.01 ounces per ton in seven mineralized zones. The total mineral inventory, which includes conservatively estimated proven, probable and possible categories, at the Haile Mine is now 24,585,000 tons with an average grade of 0.043 ounces of gold per ton containing a total of 1,064,500 ounces of gold. This mineral inventory compilation was made by independent consulting geologist David C. Jonson of Golden, Colo., in conjunction with engineers at American Mine Services, Inc.

Piedmont is engaged in exploration, mining and productiuon of gold in the southeastern United States. Piedmont pioneered the resumption of gold mining in the Southeast in early 1985 at its Haile Gold Mine employing for the first time the heap leaching process in the humid southeastern climate. Through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Mineral Mining Company, Inc., Piedmont is also engaged in mining and processing white, fine-grained Mineralite(R) mica at its facility near the Haile Mine. Piedmont is also engaged in a titanium bearing heavy mineral sands joint venture in the Carolinas.

CONTACT: Cynthia Hovis, Piedmont Mining Company, Inc., 704-523-6866

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BOSTON (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Colonial Intermediate High Income Fund,

(NYSE: CIF), a closed-end, diversified management investment company, has repurchased $5 million of its 9.93 percent Senior Extendible Notes due in 1993.

CONTACT: Ann Becker of The Colonial Intermediate High Income Fund, 800-225-2365

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#90271p9268 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Aetna Life and Casualty Company (NYSE: AET) today voted a quarterly cash dividend of 69 cents per share on the company's common stock. The dividend is payable Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 26, 1990.

CONTACT: Peggy Garrity of Aetna, 203-273-0797.

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#90271p9276 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

VINELAND, N.J. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - IGI Inc. (AMEX: IG) announced today that its majority-owned subsidiary, Micro Vesicular Systems Inc. (MVS) has been awarded U.S. Patent Number 4,959,341 for "A Biodegradable Superabsorber."

Separately, IGI announced that as anticipated, it has begun direct sales of household consumer products last week with the beginning of a TV ad campaign for its Zap-A-Spot stain and odor remover.

NEW PATENTS: This brings to nine the number of U.S. patents issued during the past 14 months. This important patent covers the backbone of MVS' Ultrasponge(TM) biodegradable superabsorbers. This technology can also be used as a pharmaceutical and cosmetic delivery vehicle, and is being so developed and tested.

Edward B. Hager, M.D., chairman, said, "This patent highlights the broad industrial and commercial utility of MVS' Ultrasponge technologies."

TROOP DONATION: IGI announced it is sending a donation of 10,000 bottles of its newly developed "waterless shampoo" to U.S. troops in the Middle East. This unique product "Apply-Dry"(TM) was developed by MVS for an industry partner for nursing home use. The shampoo sudses and cleans without water and can be toweled off to leave a clean, dry head of hair. This project is being assisted by a donation of containers by the Wheaton Plastics Co., of Millville, N.J., and labels by the Patton Label Co., of Moorestown, N.J.

IGI Inc. is a diversified profitable biotechnology company. Its majority-owned subsidiary Micro Vesicular Systems Inc. has created novel patented technologies for lipid vesicle ("Novasome" TM) microencapsulation and biodegradable superabsorbers ("Ultrasponge" TM). These are being developed for a wide variety of commercial applications.

IGI's Vineland Laboratories, EVSCO Pharmaceuticals and Tomlyn Products divisions produce and sell poultry vaccines, small animal pharmaceuticals and pet care products worldwide.

Novasome (TM) and Ultrasponge (TM) are trademarks of a subsidiary of IGI Inc.

CONTACT: Michael Dodge of IGI, 609-691-2411

-30- 2261

#90271p9282 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Midway Airlines (NYSE: MDW) today announced that it has commenced a phased reduction of approximately 10 percent of its workforce, according to David R. Hinson, chairman and chief executive officer. Additionally, this action will be accompanied by scheduled realignments in selected markets beginning Oct. 15.

"These actions are necessitated by escalating fuel costs brought on by the Persian Gulf crisis," said Hinson. "Midway, as well as other airlines, is actively addressing the need to adjust system flying in order to reduce operating costs and produce a better balance between capacity and passenger demand. Unfortunately, such actions will also impact our workforce."

According to Hinson, the planned schedule changes will affect markets where underutilized flights will be phased out over the next 30 days. All service to Savannah, Ga., will be suspended effective Nov. 1. Additionally, the company will withdraw from service eight of its least fuel efficient aircraft. This capacity is being replaced by new, more fuel efficient MD-80 Series aircraft. Three of these aircraft have been delivered in September, and an additional four MD-80s will be delivered before year end.

Midway Airlines offers coast-to-coast service from its hubs at Chicago's close-in Midway Airport and Philadelphia International Airport. Midway Airlines and its wholly owned subsidiary, the Midway Commuter, serve 59 destinations in the United States, Canada, U.S. Virgin Islands and the Bahamas.

CONTACT: Sandra Allen of Midway, 312-838-4813

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#90271p9285 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

BELLEVUE, WASH. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - U S WEST NewVector Group Inc. (NASDAQ: USWNA) today announced that AT&T's Cellular Systems Business Unit will market network operations management software developed by NewVector. Under the agreement, AT&T will resell NewVector's Basic Operations System (BOS) software to cellular carriers purchasing AT&T switching equipment and related products.

BOS enables cellular carriers to monitor network operations from a central location. NewVector uses BOS to manage more than 250 cell sites and 18 switches in a network that spans 40 percent of the continental United States.

"Due to the growth of the cellular market, carriers no longer manage isolated systems," said Reynie Ortiz, U S WEST NewVector president. "Today they manage entire networks serving large geographic areas. Our experience proves the need for software to support these dispersed operations. BOS fulfills that need."

Based on UNIX(R) System V Release 3.0 operating system, BOS software runs on personal, mini and mainframe computers. It also operates on computers connected over local and wide area networks. BOS enables these computers to monitor any device that provides status messages. This includes elements as diverse as disk drives in a data center to doors on cell site buildings. The BOS open-system architecture allows customers to develop tailored and integrated applications based on BOS. For example, NewVector uses BOS to monitor call-failure rates of customer equipment, cell sites, transmission facilities, and switching equipment.

"BOS software continuously collects information from multiple devices in a network," said Kathy DeTrano, AT&T Cellular Operations. "BOS enables a technician, working at a computer terminal, to access this information and perform interactive diagnostic and problem-solving tasks. BOS also can perform these functions automatically. This ability becomes increasingly important as cellular networks expand and become more complex."

BOS software archives data in a format compatible with most computer programs. This allows engineers and managers to analyze the data to identify and respond to trends suggesting potential future problems. Engineers and managers also can use archived information to improve system design.

"AT&T constantly looks for products and services to enhance the quality of cellular networks," said Tom Powers, AT&T Cellular Systems' president. "That is why we're particularly excited about our agreement with U S WEST NewVector to provide BOS software to other cellular carriers. The system's power to gather information allows engineers to correct potential problems before they affect the customer. The increased use of BOS will create greater efficiency and higher system quality throughout the industry."

U S WEST NewVector Group Inc., headquartered in Bellevue, Wash., has operations in 16 midwestern, western and southwestern states.

CONTACT: Bruce Amundson of U S West NewVector Group, 206-562-5483 (office), or 206-947-1596 (portable)

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MOUNT LAUREL, N.J. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Fred Cohen, chairman and chief executive officer, announced today that Marlton Technologies, Inc. (AMEX: MTY) was part of a group of shareholders that had participated in the sale of Audio Information Sciences, Inc. (AIS) to AIS management.

Marlton received $1,610,132 for all of its AIS Class C common stock. This stock had been carried for accounting purposes at a value of $1 on Marlton's balance sheet. In addition to the cash payment, Marlton received a junior subordinated note, new AIS redeemable convertible preferred stock, and warrants to purchase new AIS Class A Voting Stock, all of which will be assigned nominal value on Marlton's balance sheet.

CONTACT: Seymour Hernes, executive vice president of Marlton Technologies, 609-727-1199

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#90271p9297 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
RICHMOND, VA. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Crestar Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CRFC) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.33 per share on Crestar's Common Stock. The dividend is payable October 30, 1990 to shareholders of record on October 10, 1990.

In addition, the Board declared a dividend of $.7438 on the corporation's Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series B, also payable October 30, 1990 to shareholders of record as of October 10, 1990.

With $12.2 billion in assets, Crestar Financial Corporation is the holding company for three banks operating in Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia. It serves these communities through 257 banking offices. Other subsidiaries provide insurance, brokerage, mortgage banking, leasing and investment advisory services.

CONTACT: Janet S. McCabe, Investor Relations, 804-782-5619, or Cheryl Jenkins, Corporate Communications, 804-782-5377, both of Crestar Financial Corporation

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#90271p9299 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM today announced matching $85,000 donations of computer hardware and software to Regional Educational Service Agencies (RESA) in Winterville and Americus, Ga.

The computer equipment has been provided to the RESA centers to help educational counselors and specialists improve the quality of education

throughout schools in a 26-county area.

The RESA centers in Winterville and Americus are among 16 such regional agencies established in the mid-1970s by the Georgia legislators to improve the state's educational quality.

The centers serve as a clearing house of information and a source for professional teacher training, specialized instruction and development in such areas as classroom technology, teacher programs, staff training and special education.

Computer equipment donated to each center includes an IBM Personal System/2 Model 80 file server with a full array of IBM educational courseware, five IBM Personal System/2 Model 25 workstations and an IBM Proprinter. IBM also is providing cables and software required to operate the networks.

CONTACT: Pam Evans of International Business Machines, 404-877-6165.

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#90271p9306 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. today announced a new posting in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska). The new posting is for Altamont Yellow Wax crude, and is $38.00/bbl effective Thursday, Sept. 27, at 7 a.m.

New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E52. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Bonnie Chaikind, 415-894-1200, or Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440; both of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

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ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Value Fund, Inc. (NYSE: TVF), a closed-end investment company listed on the New York Stock Exchange, announced that at a Special Meeting of the Shareholders of the Fund held today, shareholders approved a proposal to convert the Fund into an open-end investment company.

The Fund's conversion to open-end status is expected to become effective during the first calendar quarter of 1991. Thereafter, the Fund will commence a continuous public offering of its shares with a front-end sales charge. Upon the effective date of the conversion, shares of the Fund would cease to be listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Shareholders will then be

able to redeem their shares at net asset value except that for six months following the conversion, there will be a redemption fee payable to the Fund of 1 percent of the amount redeemed.

Additional information on the Fund's assets and investment results is contained in the annual report for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Mistele, secretary of Templeton Value Fund, Inc., 800-237-0738

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#90271p9323 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Coopers & Lybrand announces that David R. Beach, CPA, and William C. Kwan, CPA, JD, have joined its Los Angeles office financial services practice in the areas of securities, commodities, and investment companies. In addition, the Los Angeles office also announces that Christopher D. Petitt, CPA, has joined the Los Angeles office as a specialist in the financial services practice.

CONTACT: Elana O'Brien of Coopers & Lybrand, 213-482-6312

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GREENWICH, CONN. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - W. R. Berkley Corporation (NASDAQ: BKLY) today announced that the board of directors had authorized the repurchase of blocks of shares of the company's common stock from time to time as such blocks are offered to the company. The total repurchase is limited to a maximum of 1,000,000 shares (or approximately 9 percent of its outstanding shares). It is not anticipated that the company will bid to repurchase its shares in the open market.

W. R. Berkley Corporation is a holding company whose subsidiaries operate in three major segments of the insurance business: regional property casualty insurance; specialty lines of insurance (including excess and surplus lines, commercial transportation and reinsurance); and insurance services operations (including management of alternative insurance market mechanisms).

CONTACT: Robert V. Mendelsohn, executive vice president of W.R. Berkley, 203-629-2880

-30- 1124

#90271p9338 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Navistar International Transportation Corp. and the United Auto Workers Union have agreed to extend indefinitely their current labor agreements which were scheduled to expire at

midnight Sept. 30, 1990, the company said. The extension is subject to termination with 48 hours notice by either the company or the union.

Navistar and the UAW began negotiations towards new labor agreements on Aug. 7 1990 in Louisville, which was selected by mutual agreement as the site for the 1990 talks.

The UAW represents approximately 8,000 Navistar employees at manufacturing plants in Melrose Park, Ill., Indianapolis, Ind., and Springfield, Ohio; parts distribution centers in Atlanta, Ga., Baltimore, Md., and Dallas, Texas, and at the Navistar's technical center in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Navistar International Transportation Corp., the principal operating subsidiary of Navistar International Corp.(NYSE: NAV), is the leading manufacturer in North America of medium and heavy trucks and the worldwide leader in the production of mid-range diesel engines.

CONTACT: , Bill Greenhill of Navistar International, 312-836-3084, 708-852-2781 (home), or 502-585-9723 (Louisville)

-30- 1386

#90271p9362 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Research, Inc. (NYSE: CYR) announced today that Honda Research & Development Co., LTD., of Tochigi-ken, Japan, has installed a multiprocessor CRAY Y-MP supercomputer at Honda's Research & Development facility in Tochigi-ken.

The CRAY Y-MP system replaces a CRAY X-MP system that was installed in 1987. It will use the Cray Research operating system UNICOS, based on AT&T's UNIX System V, an industry standard.

The system will be used for computer-aided engineering applications such as structural analysis, crash simulation, computational fluid dynamics, and other advanced design applications. Of more than 20 Cray Research systems installed worldwide for automotive applications, eight are in Japan.

Cray Research, Inc., designs, develops, manufactures, markets, and supports large-scale, high-speed computer systems for scientific and engineering applications.

CONTACT: (Media) Kate S. Neessen, 612-683-7132, or (Financial) Laura C. Merriam, 612-334-6448, both of Cray Research, Inc.

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#90271p9367 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Department of Environmental Resources

(DER) has ordered LTV Steel Co. to stop the discharge of coke plant wastewater into the Monongahela River from its Pittsburgh Works facility in the city's Hazelwood section, it was announced today.

"The illegal discharge of coke plant wastewater has been an ongoing problem that must be eliminated," DER Regional Director Charles N. Duritsa said. "A number of water systems along the river could be affected by these discharges."

Raw water at the Pennsylvania-American Water Co. intake, the water system closest to LTV, frequently contains elevated levels of napthalene and organic compounds, although these contaminants are removed during the treatment process.

Pennsylvania-American's laboratory runs a continuous organic analysis of the raw water entering its facility. Elevated levels of organics are treated with powdered activated carbon and carbon filters, which remove the contaminants.

Under the order, LTV must immediately investigate the sources of the napthalene and organic wastes and eliminate their discharge to the river by Nov. 30.

By the end of November, LTV also must provide a proposal and implementation plan to continuously monitor discharges from the Pittsburgh Works for the presence of coke plant wastewaters and other authorized discharges.

Duritsa said the discharges from the Pittsburgh Works violate a November 1986 DER consent order and agreement that prohibited LTV from discharging any coke plant contaminants to the Monongahela River.

CONTACT: Susan Woods, in Harrisburg, Pa., 717-783-1323, or Betsy Mallison, 412-645-7138, of Department of Environmental Resources

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PETALUMA, CA. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Northbay Financial Corp. (AMEX: NBF), the holding company for Northbay Savings Bank, recorded a net income of $2,423,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, as compared to $1,974,000 for the same period in 1989, an increase of 23 percent. This is Northbay's most profitable year since it was founded 25 years ago. Earnings per share were $2.22.

-- Total interest income for fiscal 1990 was $24,745,000, as compared to $21,450,000 in 1989.
-- Net interest income increased $1,613,000 to $10,008,000 for fiscal 1990 compared to $8,395,000 in 1989.
-- A key measure of profitability, return on average assets for the fiscal year 1990 was 1.04 percent as compared to .90 percent for

1989.
-- Net loans as of June 30, 1990 were $210,408,000, as compared to $197,183,000 on June 30, 1989.
-- Total assets grew $11,272,000 to $237,894,000 by June 30, 1990 as compared to $226,622,000 on June 30, 1989.

Stockholders' equity as of June 30, 1990 was $22,087,000 compared to $19,627,000 on June 30, 1989.

Alfred A. Alys, president and director of Northbay Savings Bank, stated, "These favorable earnings results reflect the Bank's concentration on its core earnings of net interest margin by maintaining a portfolio of interest rate sensitive assets to achieve these results. In addition, the bank's capital to assets ratio on June 30, 1990, reached 9.24 percent and is among the highest in the bank and thrift industry.

Founded in 1965, Northbay Savings Bank is the sole subsidiary of Northbay Financial Corp. Northbay Savings Bank is based in Petaluma where it maintains two offices, and has additional offices throughout Sonoma County, California, Santa Rosa, Healdsburg, Forestville and Rohnert Park.

CONTACT: Jeanne M. Chalmers of the Northbay Financial Corp., 707-778-3334

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#90271p9369 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
HARTFORD, CT (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Magellan Petroleum Corporation (NASDAQ: MPET) today reported a consolidated net loss of $233,000, or 1 cent a share, on gross revenues of $11.5 million in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

In the prior-year period, there was a loss of $174,000 (1 cent a share) on revenues of $9.6 million, the company said.

Magellan, which reports on a consolidated basis with its 51 percent- owned subsidiary, Magellan Petroleum Australia Limited, said this year's loss is attributable largely to costs associated with the Australian unit's exploration ventures in Canada and the United States.

A Magellan spokesman said the Australian unit is preparing to drill an appraisal well at Dingo, about 40 miles south of Alice Springs, which will attempt to confirm the economic recoverability of this field, where reserves are estimated at 350 billion to 500 billion cubic feet. Such confirmation, he said, would materially increase the unit's share of the proved, recoverable gas reserves in the Amadeus Basin, now equivalent to more than 80 million barrels of oil.

Comparative, consolidated results for fiscal 1990 and the two prior years are shown in the following income statement:

MAGELLAN PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Year ended June 30:	1990	1989	1988
Revenues:			
Oil sales	$3,886,961	$3,577,478	$5,651,868
Gas sales	6,770,587	5,424,422	4,927,932
Interest & other income	870,362	611,049	381,450
Total	11,527,910	9,612,949	10,961,250
Costs and Expenses:			
Production costs	2,757,197	2,799,092	2,647,108
Interest	597,229	506,428	851,571
Depletion, depreciation, & amortization	2,774,736	1,898,865	1,724,100
Administrative	2,330,181	1,994,204	1,696,474
Abandonments & write-offs	189,432	88,124	153,202
Other	1,136,863	967,150	646,311
Total	9,785,638	8,253,863	7,718,766
Income before minority interests, taxes, & extraordinary item	1,742,272	1,359,086	3,242,484
Minority interests in MPAL	1,278,946	995,444	2,148,748
Income before taxes & extraordinary item	463,326	363,642	1,093,736
Australian income tax provision (deferred)	696,436	537,568	1,072,909
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	(223,110)	(173,926)	20,827
Extraordinary item(A)	--	--	88,956
Net income (loss)	$(233,110)	$(173,926)	$109,783
Average number of shares outstanding	24,381,890	23,631,678	19,505,512
Net income (loss) per share	$(.01)	$(.01)	$.01

(A) -- Tax benefit realized from carryforward of prior-year losses.

CONTACT: Arthur B. O'Donnell of Magellan Petroleum, 203-525-1202

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NEW YORK, (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter-Wallace, Inc. (NYSE: CAR) today announced the election of David M. Baldwin to the company's board of directors replacing Howard S. Tierney who died on April 16.

Baldwin, 61, has been president of the real estate firm Helmsley- Noyes Company, Inc., since 1964. He received his B.S. degree from Lehigh University.

Baldwin is a trustee and chairman emeritus of the board of the Preventive

Medicine Institute-Strang Clinic, Inc. He is on the board of directors of the American Paralysis Association and is a former director of the Beekman Downtown Hospital. Previously, he was also a member of the board of the Memorial Hospital for Cancer and Allied Diseases and the advisory board of the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center.

Carter-Wallace, Inc. markets toiletries, proprietary drugs, pharmaceuticals, diagnostic specialties and pet products.

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PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) said today it will offer special low rates on calls to Hong Kong and Taiwan for a celebration of the Mid-Autumn Festival on Oct. 2.

The Mid-Autumn Festival is a time for family gatherings, feasts and celebrations.

Taiwan is the ninth most frequently called country from the United States, according to The World's Telephones, a statistical annual published by AT&T.

Throughout the 24-hour period, the economy rate will apply to all direct-dialed calls to the two countries. A 10-minute direct-dialed call to Taiwan will cost $10.38. A 10-minute direct-dialed call to Hong Kong will cost $9.46. Both prices reflect a 37 percent savings over standard rates.

Customers of the AT&T REACH OUT(SM) World program will pay the plan's normally low rate of $8.30 to Taiwan and $8 to Hong Kong for the same call.

The AT&T REACH OUT World plan offers savings on calls to 45 countries in return for a $3 monthly fee. Discounts, which average 20 percent, are available at least 15 hours every day (13 to Ghana) and 24 hours a day on the weekend. REACH OUT World customers also receive a 5 percent discount on their interstate calls.

Included in the Mid-Autumn Festival promotion are callers throughout California and in the following area codes: New York (201, 212, 516, 718, 914); Washington, D.C. (202, 301, 703); Philadelphia (215, 609); Chicago (312, 708); Boston (617, 508); Honolulu (808); Atlanta (404); Seattle-Oregon (206, 503); Dallas/Houston (214, 713); Miami (305), and the entire state of California.

In the past year, AT&T has offered similar discounts on calls to France for Bastille Day, to the United Kingdom on Remembrance Day, to Canada on Canadian Thanksgiving, to the Philippines on Philippines Independence Day, to Mexico on

Mexican Independence Day, to Japan on Respect for Elders Day, to Australia on Australia Day, to Ireland on St. Patrick's Day, and to all direct-dialed countries on Valentine's Day and for a two-day celebration of the reopening of Ellis Island in September.

CONTACT: Rick Wallerstein, 201-953-7911, or at home, 201-771-9570, or Patricia G. Timson, 215-557-4321, or at home, 215-827-9015, both of AT&T

-30- 2416

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TWINSBURG, OH (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Anac Holding Corporation, parent of Revco D.S., Inc., today reported results for the first quarter of its 1991 fiscal year.

Sales were $407.8 million, a 4.8 percent increase over last year's pro forma first quarter sales of $389.3 million. These results and the pro forma numbers for fiscal 1990 exclude amounts for the 712 stores being divested by Revco in its previously announced downsizing program. Including the 712 stores being divested, sales in the first quarter last year were $597.8 million. Net loss for the quarter was $26 million, compared to a reported loss of $16 million (after a $6.6 million tax benefit) for the same quarter last year.

Earnings before income taxes, reorganization items, interest and depreciation for the current quarter of fiscal 1991 were $834,000 for 1,136 stores, compared to $9.2 million for 1,879 stores in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

The company reported that it has successfully concluded its store- divestiture program ahead of plan. The divestiture program has allowed Revco to repay all of its short-term borrowings and maintain an invested balance in excess of $60 million. Revco will focus growth, build market share and enhance competitive position by concentrating on a store base of 1,100-plus drugstores in 10 contiguous eastern states where its stores provide the greatest return on assets.

Gregory K. Raven, Revco chief financial officer, said, "While our operating performance in the first quarter was weak, we can point to a number of internal and external causes. First, our seasonal results were weaker than anticipated, reflecting a poor summer seen by many in the industry. Second, we experienced costs associated with the company's recent decision to accelerate our chainwide installation of pharmacy and point-of-sale computer systems. Finally, disruptions caused by the rapid completion of our divestiture program led to temporary out-of-stock situations as distribution centers were closed and inventories moved and reduced for the smaller chain."

Boake A. Sells, chairman and chief executive officer, noted that Revco has completed installation of 872 point-of-sale (POS) scanning cash-register

systems, and 733 Prescription Access Link (PAL) pharmacy-computer systems. Implementation for the entire chain is to be completed during calendar 1990.

Sells said, "Our innovative computer systems are key aspects of the company's long-term strategy, and the decision was made to accelerate their implementation to be ready for the Christmas sales season. Our ability to deploy these systems as we are doing is but one of the strengths we are seeing in our slimmed-down chain.

"With the completion of our divestiture program," Sells added, "we can rededicate our efforts to the smaller, ongoing Revco. Although our operating performance suffered from accelerated systems deployment and disruptions from store divestitures, our inventory levels are now on plan and we will not be distracted from achieving our goals for the year."

Revco is a privately held company based in Twinsburg, Ohio. The company will file its 10Q document with the SEC on or about Oct. 9, 1990. Copies will be available shortly thereafter from: Xerox Copy Center, 2383 S. Main St., Akron, OH 44319 (216-773-1577).

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SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - First Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: FFUT) announced today the closing of the previously announced acquisition of the retail deposits of the five CrossLand Savings Offices in Utah.

Gerald R. Christensen, president, announced the purchase included $58 million in deposits, the acquisition of the Sugarhouse and Fashion Place Offices, and the assumption of the lease of the Cottonwood Office. Deposits in the CrossLand ZCMI Office transferred to the First Federal Eagle Gate Office and the deposits of the Dan's Foothill Office were transferred to the First Federal Foothill Office at 1442 Foothill Drive.

Christensen said the Bank paid $2.3 million for the acquisition which included $1.1 million for the deposits and $1.2 million for the real estate and fixed assets. The transaction was a cash transaction.

This acquisition now gives First Federal eight offices and total deposits of approximately $258 million.

Christensen said the purchase follows the Bank's strategic plan to increase retail deposits by acquisition.

CrossLand Savings is a $12.8 billion savings bank based in New York. The sale enables it to concentrate its resources more efficiently in those retail

banking markets where it has a larger market share.

CONTACT: Richard A. Fisher of First Federal Savings Bank, 801-366-2202.

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COLUMBIA, MD. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Essex Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ESEX) announced today that it has relocated its Systems Effectiveness Division (SED) to Tysons II Plaza, McLean, Va.

Offices and video laboratories of SED, formerly located in Alexandria and Vienna, Va., are now consolidated on the Fifth Floor at 1430 Springhill Road, McLean, Va. 22102. Division General Manager Martin Every can be reached by telephone at 703-556-6862.

Certain members of the corporate staff, including Chairman and Chief Executive

Officer Harry Letaw Jr., Chief Financial Officer Joseph Kurry and Corporate Counsel Leonard E. Moodispaw, were relocated from Alexandria to the company's facility at 9170 Rumsey Road, Columbia, Md. 21045, also occupied by its Information Systems Division.

Letaw stated that operations of SED will be much more efficient under the new arrangement. He added that annual savings in the order of $400,000 per year are expected to be realized in 1991 and beyond.

The company's Space and Defense Division, located in the Essex facility at 690 Discovery Drive, Huntsville, Ala. 35806, is unaffected by the Washington-area relocations.

CONTACT: Harry Letaw Jr., chairman and CEO, Essex Corporation, 301-730-1097

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) issued the following debenture announcement:

Date of Offering:	Oct. 3, 1990
Issue Date:	Oct. 10, 1990
Term:	10 years
Callable on or after:	10/10/93 Amount (millions): $700
Maturity Date:	10/10/00 Date of First Interest Payment
(then semi-annually):	4/10/91 Date interest rates
and prices will be announced:	Oct. 2, 1990

The debentures of Oct. 10, 2000, are redeemable on or after Oct. 10, 1993, in whole or in part at the option of the corporation at any time (and from time to time). The redemption price payable on or after Oct. 10, 1993, initially will be a percentage of the principal amount redeemed equal to 100 percent plus one-half the coupon rate on the debentures, plus accrued interest on the amount redeemed. The redemption price will decrease on each succeeding interest payment date, as will be set forth in the Supplement to the Guide to Debt Securities information statement dated Aug. 8, 1990, relating to this offering. The amount payable at maturity will be equal to 100 percent of the then outstanding principal balance, plus accrued interest.

The net proceeds of this offering will be used to redeem the $750,000,000 of Series SM-1990-I, 10.15 percent debentures due Oct. 10, 1990, and added to the working capital of the Federal National Mortgage Association and used for general corporate purposes.

Debentures will be issued in book-entry form only. The minimum purchase is

$10,000 and multiples of $5,000 thereafter. The offering is being made through Fannie Mae's Senior Vice President - Finance and Treasurer Gary L. Perlin and Vice President and Assistant Treasurer Linda K. Knight, 3900 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016, assisted by a nationwide selling group of recognized securities dealers.

The issues that are offered on Oct. 3, 1990, will be free to trade at 8:20 Eastern Daylight Time.

CONTACT: Tom Marder of Fannie Mae, 202-752-7608.

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HUTCHINSON ISLAND, FLA. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Florida Power & Light Company on Sunday plans to begin a scheduled refueling of its St. Lucie Unit 2 nuclear reactor that will take it out of service for approximately nine weeks.

During the refueling, 76 of the reactor's 217 fuel assemblies will be removed and replaced with new fuel. Workers also will conduct maintenance and inspections on major operating components and systems.

Since it began operation, the 839-megawatt unit has displaced more than 73 million barrels of oil. This has saved FPL's customers approximately $1.5 billion, because nuclear fuel costs about one-quarter the cost of burning oil. St. Lucie's two nuclear units combined displaced more than 155 million barrels of oil for a fuel savings of $2.6 billion.

Unit 2 has one of the nation's best capacity factors -- a statistic that measures operating efficiency. Since the last refueling 18 months ago, Unit 2 has achieved a capacity factor of 91.8 percent. The lifetime capacity factor for Unit 2 is 85.1 percent compared to the U.S. nuclear industry average of 63 percent.

FPL operates four nuclear reactors that produced 25 percent of the company's electricity in 1989. FPL is one of the nation's largest investor-owned utilities and is the principal subsidiary of FPL Group, Inc. (NYSE: FPL).

CONTACT: Florida Power & Light Company corporate communications department, 305-552-3894 or 305-552-3895

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NEEDHAM, MASS. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - LoJack Corporation (NASDAQ: LOJN; Boston Stock Exchange: LOJ.B) announced today that sharp increases in revenue for the second quarter and six months were in line with the company's expectations for its growth in the current fiscal year, and projected that

operating losses, reflecting the expected results of the company's expansion efforts, would decline in the remainder of the year. Revenues increased by 124 percent to $3,632,946 for the second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 from $1,621,970 a year ago. This also represents an increase in revenues of over 36 percent over the first quarter of the current fiscal year. The loss from operations resulting from the cost of expansion was $1,606,650 for the second quarter of 1990 compared to a loss from operations of $662,618 a year earlier. The net loss for the second quarter was $1,798,581, or $.15 a share, compared to a net loss of $575,930, or $.05 a share for the first quarter ended Aug. 31 1989.

For the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, revenues increased by 103 percent to $6,309,063 from $3,108,639 a year earlier. The loss from operations for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, was $3,167,909 compared to $1,333,798 a year earlier. The net loss for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990 was $3,440,748, or $.29 a share, compared to a net loss of $1,287,426, or $.12 a share for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1989.

In making the announcement, C. Michael Daley, president, said that of the 124 percent revenue increase in the second quarter, approximately 25 percent was attributable to the company's Massachusetts operation, which continues a strong rate of growth. Also contributing to the revenue increase is the commencement of sales of LoJack Units to consumers in New Jersey, Michigan and Los Angeles County, Calif. Revenues of the company's Florida operation increased 93 percent over last year. LoJack acquired control of its Florida distributor in April 1990.

Daley said, "Put in this perspective, the loss from operations for the second quarter was in line with our expectations and represents the peak of the loss anticipated in connection with our expansion. We are projecting that our loss from operations will decrease steadily during the third and fourth quarters of this fiscal year.

"The operating loss reflects expansion costs in new markets and remained consistent between the first and second quarters of fiscal 1991. The increased net loss is the result of interest expense incurred in connection with the issuance of the company's 10 percent convertible debentures in May 1990, the net proceeds of which are being used in connection with our expansion program."

LOJACK CORPORATION
CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION
(UNAUDITED)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Six Months	
Aug. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$3,632,946	$1,621,970	$6,309,063	$3,108,639
Operating loss	(1,606,650)	(662,618)	(3,167,909)	(1,333,798)
Net loss	(1,798,581)	(575,930)	(3,440,748)	(1,287,426)

Per share	(.15)	(.05)	(.29)	(.12)
Shares outstg., weighted	11,924,460	11,814,380	11,913,520	10,429,098

CONTACT: Joseph F. Abely, senior vice president of LoJack, 617-444-4900, or John Swanson of Swanson Communications, 212-683-4890, for LoJack

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#90271p9404 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS, (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Southwestern Bell Corp. (NYSE: SBC) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 69 cents. The dividend is payable Nov. 1 to shareowners of record at the close of business Oct. 10, 1990.

Southwestern Bell Corp., based in St. Louis, is an international communications corporation with 1.1 million shareowners. It provides a variety of products and services through its principal subsidiaries including Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., Southwestern Bell Yellow Pages, Southwestern Bell Telecom, Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems, and Metromedia Paging Services.

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#90271p9405 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nuclear Regulatory Commisssion today released its Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) report on Florida Power & Light Company's Turkey Point nuclear power plant, stating that "significant improvements in plant performance and safety have taken place over the past two SALP periods."

The SALP report is a "plant report card" based on NRC observation from Aug. 1, 1989 through July 31, 1990. In the latest Turkey Point report, the plant received good performance ratings in six categories. Four of seven categories reflected improved performance. In the seventh category of Safety Assessment and Quality Verification, the plant received a superior performance rating.

Commenting on the report, Jerry Goldberg, president of FPL's nuclear division, said, "The pursuit of excellence in all phases of plant performance continues at Turkey Point. I am pleased we are making progress but I am not satisfied that we have reached our limit. Continued improvement is both possible and achievable with the outstanding team of employees we have working at Turkey Point."

The performance ratings for the current and previous SALP report in each category are as follows:

	(Previous SALP) 7/1/88 - 7/31/89	(Current SALP) 8/1/89 - 7/31/90
CATEGORY Plant Operations (Operations/Fire Protection)	2	2
Radiological Controls	2	2 Improving
Maintenance/Surveillance	2	2 Improving
Emergency Planning	2	2
Security	3 Improving	2 Improving
Engineering/Technical Support (Engineering/Training/Outages)	2	2
Safety Assessment/Quality Verification (Quality Programs/Licensing)	2	1

FPL is one of the nation's largest investor-owned utilities and is the principal subsidiary of FPL Group, Inc. (NYSE: FPL).

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SEATTLE, (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Sea-Land Service Inc. has announced the addition of Dutch Harbor to its linehaul route that serves Alaska. Service will begin with weekly calls starting with the Friday, Oct. 5, arrival in Dutch Harbor of the 710-foot S/L ANCHORAGE. It will be the first commercial carrier linehaul route to serve Dutch Harbor from the continental United States.

Dutch Harbor joins Anchorage and Kodiak as the Alaska ports of call for Sea-Land's Alaska Division linehaul service. The new service will replace a chartered tug-and-barge that has served the Aleutian Chain, including weekly stops in Dutch Harbor and Akutan, since 1986. Sea-Land has called on Dutch Harbor since 1972 and commenced weekly service in February of this year.

Sea-Land also is a participant in the recently approved $6 million Unalaska/Dutch Harbor Dock expansion project, joining with the city and Petro Marine in the new development. In addition to extending the dock to almost 800 feet, the project will include the installation of dolphin piers, yard lights, crane rails and a container crane. Completion is slated in mid-1991.

"We are extending our commitment to Alaska by implementing this service and participating in the development of a major port improvement in Dutch Harbor," said John L. Sutherland, vice president and general manager of Sea-Land's Alaska Division.

"The initial phase of this new service will offer our customers in Alaska and

the Lower 48 reduced transit times and increased capacity," Sutherland added. "Upon completion of the dock expansion project in 1991, schedule reliability will complement the service as we begin the terms of our use agreement at the new port facility."

Sea-Land has served the Alaska trade since 1964, when it intitiated service to Anchorage. With the implementation of three new 700-foot D-7 vessels in 1987, Sea-Land is the largest commercial water carrier to and from Alaska.

Sea-Land Service Inc., a unit of CSX Corp. (NYSE: CSX), Richmond, Va., is a world leader in international intermodal freight transporation and related trade services. Sea-Land operates more than 60 container ships and 128,000 containers in U.S. and foreign trade and serves 80 ports in 70 countries and territories around the world.

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WILMINGTON, DEL. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) today said some 600 employees and their families will participate in the second statewide beach cleanup the company is co-sponsoring with the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) on Saturday, Sept. 29.

Delaware's fourth annual "Get the Drift and Bag it" beach cleanup is part of DNREC's program to enlist public support to help solve the marine litter problem.

More than 4,000 people are expected to participate in the event. For the first time, all participants will separate the plastics collected for recycling into picnic tables or park benches, to be donated to DNREC for placement throughout the state.

During the cleanup last September, about 2,000 volunteers collected more than 10,000 pounds of trash along beaches from Battery Park to Fenwick Island State Park.

Last year, the 400 participating Du Pont employees and their families separated plastics from the other litter, which the company had recycled into park benches presented to the state on Earth Day for Delaware parklands. The cleanup marked the first time plastics were separated for recycling.

"We applaud Du Pont's efforts in recycling and appreciate the support the company and its employees have given to our annual beach cleanup program," said Edwin H. Clark II, DNREC secretary.

"This is an example of the type of cooperation involving industry, the

government and most importantly, the people of Delaware working together for our resources," Clark said.

"This program underscores Du Pont's commitment to work with government, the public and industry to help solve the solid waste problem, and enables our employees to participate in achieving the company's goal of corporate environmental stewardship," said Archie W. Dunham, group vice president-polymer products.

For more information on how one can help, call Nancy Rolli, state coordinator, at 302-739-4506.

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CHICAGO, IL. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Santa Fe Pacific Corporation (NYSE: SFX) announced that as part of its previously announced plan to retire all of its outstanding 16 percent senior subordinated debentures due 2003, it may purchase through Goldman Sachs & Co. a portion of the debentures from time to time in the open market or in private transactions, depending on market and other conditions.

As a result of the completion of its exchange of common stock and cash for approximately $215 million of its outstanding debentures earlier this month, approximately $565 million principal amount of the debentures remains outstanding. The company's intention is to redeem all remaining outstanding debentures at the stated redemption price of 103 percent of their principal amount plus accrued interest to the redemption date, presently expected to occur in mid-November, subject to successful completion of borrowings from commercial banks and other institutional lenders.

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DENVER, (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Gas Resources Inc. (NYSE: WGR) disclosed that in connection with its previously announced acquisition of the Midkiff Gathering and Processing Facility from El Paso Natural Gas Co. (EPNG), abandonment was received from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) on Sept. 17, 1990 subject to a 30 day period in which requests for rehearing may be made.

The acqusition, consisting of the Midkiff Gas Plant, related Spraberry Gathering System and Odessa Underground Storage Facility, is being acquired

from EPNG under an agreement executed in May, 1989 by Western Gas Processors Ltd. (NYSE: WGR) which is 52 percent owned by Western Gas Resouces. The system is connected to over 2,000 wells in the Permian Basin and consists of an 1,100 mile gathering system, a 100 million cubic foot per day (MMCF/D) capacity processing facility and an NGL storage facility. Under an interim operating agreement, Western began operating the facility in July, 1989 pending receipt of FERC approval. In late May, 1990, Western placed into operation a newly constructed, high-efficiency, automated 80 MMCF/D cryogenic plant which replaced the existing lean oil plant. The plant is currently processing just under 60 MMCF/D and producing approximately 378,000 gallons per day of natural gas liquids. The Midkiff acquisition and related improvements represent a capital investment of approximately $50 million.

Receipt of this authorization by EPNG from the FERC to abandon the certified facilities by sale, clears the second and of the two major contingencies that existed, thus allowing Western and EPNG to complete the purchase and sale transactation. It is expected that the transaction will close prior to Dec. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: William P. Stelt of Western Gas Resources Inc., 303-452-5603

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MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - International Multifoods Corp. (NYSE: IMC) has made changes in the organization of its growing U.S. foodservice operations to further develop these businesses and their brands.

Jay I. Johnson, formerly group vice president of specialty distribution, has been appointed head of all foodservice operations with responsibility for foodservice manufacturing as well as specialty distribution. Included in Multifoods' foodservice manufacturing group are Frozen Specialty Foods, SeaFest/JAC Creative Foods, Bakery Products, Reuben/Prepared Foods and Seafood Operations.

Samuel C. Arnold, formerly group vice president of foodservice manufacturing, has assumed the newly created post of vice president of corporate marketing and foodservice business development. In his new role, Arnold is responsible for developing strategic alliances with key foodservice customers, as well as for Multifoods' corporate identity and communications to the foodservice industry.

"These changes place the overall management of our domestic foodservice business under common management," said Tony Luiso, chairman, president and chief executive officer. "This will allow us to put a more coordinated focus on the customer and to maximize the synergies that exist among our foodservice businesses. In addition, it will help us in building our brand strategies and stronger customer relationships."

Since 1986, Multifoods has grown to being one of the largest suppliers of food products and services to the U.S. foodservice industry, and its annual U.S. foodservice sales now exceed $1 billion. "We have grown rather quietly through a combination of strategic selection of established foodservice brands and internal development," said Luiso. "We are a corporation committed to the foodservice industry and its growth."

Johnson joined Multifoods in 1988 as group vice president of foodservice manufacturing, and in 1989 was named head of specialty distribution. Prior to joining Multifoods, he was president of Borden Company's dairy division and held various senior management positions at Beatrice Companies. From 1978 to 1982, he was president of Dannon Yogurt.

Arnold joined Multifoods in 1986 when the company acquired Fred's Frozen Foods of which he was president, and was named group vice president of foodservice manufacturing in 1989. Arnold also served as a corporate vice president with Central Soya and held management positions in Pillsbury's and Green Giant's foodservice divisions.

International Multifoods, with fiscal 1990 net sales of $2.1 billion, is a diversified food company with major operations in the United States, Canada and Venezuela.

CONTACT: Linda K. Berg (media), 612-340-3755, or Yolanda M. Scharton (investors), 612-340-3621, both of International Multifoods

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#90271p9425 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHAWNEE, OKLA. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Barton Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: BART) announced at the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) conference in New Orleans, of Barton's technological advances in product development for the oil and gas industry.

C. W. Earl Johnson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated that at a time when the United States is 50 percent dependent on imported oil, energy companies could relieve a large portion of this dependency by utilizing Barton's automated Reservoir Management Systems in the United States.

According to Johnson, Barton's Pump Off Plus advancement has a unique optimization feature not offered by competitive units which allows existing oil wells the enhancement feature of increasing oil production from 10 percent to 30 percent. These increases are achieved through a combination of a significant reduction in well downtime coupled with a pure improvement in production due to the more efficient operation of the well. In addition, companies also enjoy significantly reduced expenses in the areas of maintenance and utility costs. These savings are achieved by extending the

life of the equipment through a reduction in the run time of the unit by 50-60 percent while still providing the increased production previously mentioned.

The advancements generated by Barton systems will allow our country to automate the some 300,000 plus wells in the United States, generating production increases here at home, thus alleviating our dependence on the Middle East.

Major oil and gas companies are now field testing, evaluating and placing orders for Barton's family of automation products including Gas Flow Measurement, On-Line BTU Analyzer and Pump-Off Plus. Barton's Integrated Technology Systems Division looks forward to a very active and prosperous year in 1991.

CONTACT: C. W. Earl Johnson or Victor L. Joyce, 405-273-7660, of Barton Industries

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PORTER, IND. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Canonie Environmental Services Corp. (NASDAQ: CANO) reported today that revenues were $17,145,000 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, compared to $7,450,000 in the prior year's period. For the quarter, the company had net income of $622,000, equal to $0.11 per share, compared to a net loss of $235,000, or $0.04 per share, in the prior year's quarter.

The improvement in quarterly revenues and net earnings as compared to the prior year's period and the first quarter of this year is a result of increased remediation activity at several projects started during the past few months. It is anticipated that the level of activity will remain high through the third quarter, ending Nov. 30, 1990.

Net income for the quarter continues to be negatively impacted by losses at the company's analytical laboratory, the bonus expense due to change in ownership (relating to a 1988 sale of stock by former parent), and losses of unconsolidated affiliates. These factors had a negative effect of approximately $0.08 per share, after tax, during the quarter.

Thomas A. Donovan, Canonie's president, stated, "We are encouraged that progress has been made to return this company to profitability. These new projects, although extremely competitive, have provided us a firm foundation for future growth. The situation at our laboratory has improved. However, work remains to be done to bring it up to our required profitability. Our unconsolidated subsidiary, SoilTech, Inc., has started a major project in New York state, which should make it profitable for the balance of our fiscal year."

Canonie Environmental Services Corp. provides comprehensive services throughout the United States for remediation of sites contaminated by hazardous materials. The firm provides its clients with a complete range of services, including assessing the regulatory, technical, and construction aspects of the problem, developing a strategic plan to solve the problem, and performing the necessary remediation and operation activities. Canonie Environmental Services Corp. is one of the few companies capable of providing such a broad range of services. The company has performed work at more than 100 project sites nationwide, including the management and control of remediation activities at various Superfund sites.

CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CORP.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA)

	Three Months Ended Aug. 31,	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$17,145	$ 7,450
Cost of Revenues	13,141	6,153
Gross Profit	4,004	1,297
Operating Expenses:		
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses	2,554	1,874
Bonus Due to Change in Ownership	188	188
Income (Loss) from Operations	1,262	(765)
Interest Income -- Net of Interest Expense	249	260
Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes	1,511	(505)
Taxes on Income (Tax Benefit From Loss)	627	(282)
Income (Loss) of the Company and Consolidated Subsidiary	884	(223)
Share in Losses of Unconsolidated Affiliates	(262)	(12)
Net Income (Loss)	$ 622	$ (235)
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding	5,701	5,676
Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share	$ .11	$ (0.04)
	Six Months Ended Aug. 31,	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$27,139	$15,425
Cost of Revenues	20,967	11,474
Gross Profit	6,172	3,951
Operating Expenses:		
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses	5,360	3,768
Bonus Due to Change in Ownership	376	376
Income (Loss) from Operations	436	(193)
Interest Income -- Net of Interest Expense	478	779

Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes	914	586
Taxes on Income (Tax Benefit From Loss)	287	128
Income (Loss) of the Company and Consolidated Subsidiary	627	458
Share in Losses of Unconsolidated Affiliates	(483)	(24)
Net Income (Loss)	$ 144	$ 434
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding	5,701	5,681
Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share	$ .03	$ .08

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ROCKAWAY, N.J. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Osicom Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: OSIC) said it received orders for personal computer systems in excess of $3.5 million from several leading home office market suppliers, including the American Express Company.

Osicom said American Express, following a successful trial program, is expanding its marketing of the company's computers with several major programs over the next 12 months.

In other developments, Osicom said it signed supply agreements with Diners Club and Global Office Supply who will feature Osicom PC systems in more than 1.3 million brochures and catalogues being mailed to their customers this fall.

The company also initiated a three-month test market with Dixon's, an 85-store retail chain in the United Kingdom, which previously handled only IBM, Olivetti, and Amstrad.

"Our orders and agreements with direct marketers to the home office segment is helping Osicom accelerate national brand awareness," said Parvinder S. Chadha, Osicom's CEO.

After six quarters of losses, Osicom posted profits of 6 cents a share for the first six months of its current (Jan. 31) year.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Contel Cellular President and CEO Paul

Kozlowski today announced that Earle A. MacKenzie, Contel Cellular senior vice president/Finance and Administration and company treasurer, has resigned effective Oct. 5.

MacKenzie will leave Contel to accept a position as president and CEO of a new venture.

Kozlowski noted that MacKenzie has been employed by Contel for the past 13 years in various executive financial, planning and marketing positions. He joined Contel Cellular Inc. at its inception in 1984 as vice president/Finance and Administration and chief financial officer.

According to Kozlowski: "Contel Cellular has been fortunate to have a person of Earle MacKenzie's caliber. Earle has contributed to Contel Cellular's growth and development as an industry leader. We wish him well in his future endeavors."

Contel Cellular Inc. (NASDAQ: CCXLA) is headquartered in Atlanta. Nationwide Contel Cellular operates as the general partner in 36 metropolitan cellular systems, and as a limited partner in 31 others. In addition, the company also expects to operate 57 rural cellular systems. In terms of market population ("POPs"), Contel Cellular is the sixth-largest cellular telephone company in the United States.

Contel Cellular is a 90-percent-owned sector of Contel Corp. (NYSE: CTC), which has more than $3.0 billion in annual revenues and sales and provides a broad range of telecommunications products in the United States and abroad.

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#90271p9436 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

TUSTIN, CALIF. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Shelly Associates Inc. (NASDAQ: SHLY) today announced that for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, sales decreased slightly from the comparable year ended 1989. Shelly, a diversified manufacturer and supplier of electronic products is also a major participant in a gold mining joint venture in the Philippines.

According to Daniel C. Montano, chairman, "Fiscal 1990 completes our refocusing effort, moving the company away from dependence on military business and focusing our future growth opportunities in the commercial market place. As part of our refocusing effort, the company moved its facilities last year which increased costs approximately $85,000 over prior years. The company also increased its marketing effort by a cost of approximately $40,000 and made the strategic decision to increase its inventory reserve by approximately $139,000, for a total inventory reserve of $173,967 as of June

30, 1990. This increased inventory reserve should insulate the company against any future losses associated with any remaining inventory from military products. Costs in fiscal 1990 associated with the refocusing totaled approximately $264,000." Montano further stated that the company was expecting more good news from the Philippine mining venture shortly.

Shelly sales decreased to $4,391,180 for the year ended 1990 as compared to $4,426,694 for the year ended 1989. A net loss of ($141,584) or ($.06) per share for fiscal 1990 compared to a loss of ($13,692) or ($.01) per share for the respective period in 1989.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - A W. R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA) subsidiary is developing a new type of catalytic converter that reduces hydrocarbon and carbon monoxide emissions by up to 75 percent and will help automobiles meet strict new air emission standards.

The new electrically heated Camet(R) catalytic converter is designed to reduce emissions in the "cold start" phase of driving, which occurs in the first several minutes of operation. In its 31-minute federal emission test procedure, more than 80 percent of the harmful hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide are produced in the first eight minutes of engine operation.

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) has recently conducted successful preliminary tests of the new converter on several late model test cars and plans to continue the evaluation. A hearing was held yesterday in Los Angeles by CARB on the adoption of new rules for low- emissions vehicles where Grace outlined test results of its catalytic converter. The California Low-Emission Vehicle And Clean Fuel Program identifies potential use of electrically heated converters in vehicles fueled by gasoline, reformulated gasoline and alcohol fuels.

The electrically heated catalytic converter, a supplement to existing catalytic controls, preheats itself 10 to 20 seconds prior to starting the car. By contrast, current catalytic converters require several minutes to heat up in order to create an effective chemical reaction that converts unburned hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide into harmless gases.

This new converter is composed of a stainless steel casing that surrounds a honeycombed metal catalytic foil and does not require major modifications to engine, emission or fuel systems.

"The development of this catalytic converter could be a breakthrough that leads to important improvements in the quality of the nation's air," said F.

Peter Boer, a Grace executive vice president and the firm's chief technical officer. "The Grace system appears to achieve better results than other alternatives," he added.

This converter has allowed test vehicles to achieve hydrocarbon emissions as low as 0.04 grams per mile using unleaded pump gasoline. By comparison, present day emission standards call for 0.41 grams per mile, but both Congress and California are proposing tighter standards. For the proposed California standards, most cars will require design changes such as the electrically heated catalytic converter.

Grace is conducting further testing, both on engine dynamometers and under road conditions, to determine the endurance of the converter.

The converter was developed by Grace's Camet unit, based in Hiram, Ohio. Grace's Davison Chemical Division, headquartered in Baltimore, is the world's largest producer of specialty catalysts and was a pioneer in the development of auto exhaust catalysts.

Grace is an international specialty chemical company with interests in energy, manufacturing and service businesses with sales last year exceeding $6 billion.

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MINNEAPOLIS (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Honeywell's (NYSE: HON) board of directors today formally approved the spin-off of the company's Defense and Marine Systems Business, Test Instruments Division and Signal Analysis Center into an independent company to be named Alliant Techsystems Inc. Alliant Techsystems begins operation as an independent company following the closing of the transaction today. Honeywell shareholders of record at the close of business Oct. 9, 1990, will receive one share of Alliant Techsystems for every four shares of Honeywell stock.

Approximately 9.3 million shares of Alliant Techsystems will be distributed to Honeywell shareholders. An Information Statement containing financial and other information about Alliant Techsystems' business, management and properties will be mailed to Honeywell shareholders on or about Oct. 1. Stock certificates for Alliant Techsystems are expected to be mailed on or about Oct. 23.

Alliant Techsystems common stock will be listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol ATK. Honeywell Inc. common stock (symbol: HON) will continue to trade on the New York Stock Exchange and several foreign exchanges.

Alliant Techsystems will have seven directors: Steven G. Rothmeier, non-executive chairman of the board; Toby G. Warson, Alliant president and chief executive officer; Kenneth J. Jenson, Alliant executive vice president and chief operating officer; Dean M. Fjelstul, Alliant vice president and chief financial officer; Albert J. Baciocco Jr., retired Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy; Robert A. Charpie, chairman of Ampersand Ventures; and Roscoe Robinson Jr., retired General, U.S. Army.

Honeywell said the distribution of Alliant Techsystems stock to Honeywell shareholders completes an important element of the company's shareholder value enhancement program, announced in July 1989.

Alliant Techsystems has four businesses: precision armament, ordnance, marine and information storage systems. The company has provided reliable defense products and systems to the United States and its allies for 50 years, and is the 15th largest direct supplier to the U.S. Department of Defense, with 1989 sales of $1.3 billion. Its information storage products and services are sold to government and commercial customers worldwide.

Honeywell is a global controls company that provides products, systems and services for homes and buildings, industry, and aviation and space. The company had 1989 sales of $6.1 billion from continuing operations.

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Photocomm Inc. (NASDAQ: PCOM) today announced the award of the Department of Army's Contract DAAB07-90-R-C216 for Solar Cell Panels totaling approximately $800,000, with an additional procurement option of up to $1,200,000.

The Solar Cell Panel is a highly reliable, lightweight, man-portable, solar electric power generator used to provide field power for military communications equipment.

Photocomm will manufacture the Solar Cell Panel at its custom module manufacturing facility in Scottsdale, based on technology developed by Photocomm and employed in the company's recently introduced Duravolt line of unbreakable solar electric modules.

Photocomm Inc. is a publicly-owned, solar electric systems manufacturing and marketing company with corporate headquarters in Scottsdale. The company's common stock is listed on the NASDAQ stock quotation system under the symbol PCOM.

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#90271p9451 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
FAIRFIELD, N.J. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Ogden Projects, Inc. (NYSE: OPI) today announced it has entered into discussions with Blount, Inc. (AMEX: BLT) of Montgomery, Ala. for the purchase of Blount's solid waste-to-energy (WTE) subsidiary, Blount Energy Resource Corporation (BERC). Terms of the discussions have not been disclosed.

Officials at OPI stated they are hopeful that a definitive purchase agreement can be reached, and the transaction consummated, before the end of the calendar year.

"We are excited at the prospect of serving the existing clients of BERC with the same dedication and commitment to operating and economic performance that we give to the municipal and county clients of OPI," said David L. Sokol, president and chief executive officer of OPI.

BERC, which began marketing as a full-service WTE vendor in 1982, currently owns and operates a 400 ton-per-day WTE facility for Warren County, N.J., operates a 1,000 ton-per-day WTE facility for Hennepin County, Minn., and has been selected to build and operate a 710 ton-per- day WTE facility for the state of Rhode Island.

Publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange, OPI, through its wholly-owned subsidiary Ogden Martin Systems, Inc. (OMS), is the nation's leading builder and operator of WTE facilities serving counties and municipalities. OMS currently operates 15 WTE facilities, is constructing five and has been awarded an additional seven projects. When all of its projects are completed, OPI will be serving more than 13 million citizens in fifteen states.

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REDONDO BEACH, CALIF. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Bay Cities National Bank's board of directors declared an initial dividend of 10 cents per share to stockholders of record as of Oct. 10, 1990, payable Oct. 25, 1990, according to George W. Schneider, chairman of the board of directors. The dividend was declared at the monthly meeting of the board on Sept. 25, 1990. It is anticipated that dividends will be increased in the future which will provide stockholders with a comfortable return on their investment.

Jim Davis, president, stated that the continued steady growth in profits, core deposits, solid loans and capital accounts have been recognized by Findley Reports which has rated the bank a Premier Performing Bank for the third

consecutive year.

Approval has been received from the Comptroller of the Currency for the new San Pedro Regional Office of Bay Cities National Bank, and is expected to open in January 1991.

Bay Cities National Bank is an independent bank organized in 1982 by South Bay business and professional persons to serve the community. Total assets are in excess of $48,000,000.00.

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SOMERS, N.Y. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - PepsiCo Worldwide Beverages Chief Executive Officer Roger Enrico announced today that the company's Canadian business unit, Pepsi-Cola Canada, Ltd., will report to the company's North American operation effective Jan. 1, 1991. Pepsi-Cola Canada had been part of Pepsi-Cola International's worldwide organization.

"This realignment will facilitate the leveraging of resources and planning coordination in North America, given the growing commonalities that exist between the Canadian and U.S. marketplaces," Enrico said. "The move also enables our international division to focus on aggressively expanding the business outside of North America."

Pepsi-Cola Canada, led by President Wayne Mailloux, will continue to operate autonomously, setting distinct and separate policy for Pepsi's Canadian business and bottling system. Mailloux will report to Craig Weatherup, who assumes a newly expanded role as president and chief executive officer of Pepsi-Cola North America.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - National City Bank (NYSE: NCC) has opened a full service brokerage office offering a wide range of investment choices at highly competitive prices through NC Investment, Inc.

"NC Investments is designed to better serve our customers by meeting all of their investment needs," said David A. Daberko, bank president. "These customers already have a high level of confidence in our traditional banking services and we are building on that foundation.

"We will provide investment advice on stocks, bonds and mutual funds, and distribute our own NCC funds," he explained. "The level of service can be tailored to the needs of the customer -- as much or as little as they require."

NC Investments has three divisions: institutional sales and trading, retail brokerage, and operations and compliance.

Needs of medium size businesses, correspondent banks, credit unions, insurance companies, pension funds and public entities will be provided by the institutional sales and trading division.

Services for individual customers and small businesses will be provided by the retail brokerage division, managed by Laura L. Rosenbaum, senior vice president.

"This division began with a substantial core of customers from existing discount brokerage operations," said Rosenbaum. "They are individuals and small business owners who for the most part want to manage their own investments.

"In addition, we expect to attract many customers who want to reduce their tax liabilities, or invest a lump sum distribution such as pension, plan for children's college or their own retirement," she said.

NC Investments has recruited an experienced staff from top brokerage firms, Rosenbaum noted. "They have a thorough knowledge of the products we offer."

NC Investment options include stocks, Treasuries and government agencies, municipal bonds, unit investment trusts, precious metals, tax exempts, zero coupons, mortgage-backed securities, corporates, equity and index options, mutual funds, and self-directed IRAs and Keoghs.

NC Investments, Inc., formerly FKYN Brokerage, Inc., was acquired by National City Bank from First National Bank of Louisville, another wholly owned banking affiliate of National City Corporation.

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CLEVELAND (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Tranzonic Companies (AMEX: TNX) today reported net income of $1,139,400, or 32 cents per share, for the second quarter ended Aug. 31. In the like period last year, net income amounted to $1,190,100, or 33 cents per share. Current year second quarter sales were $27,166,000, up 10 percent from $24,771,500 a year earlier.

Robert S. Reitman, chairman and chief executive officer, said that while gains in operating earnings kept pace with the increase in sales, costs associated with expansion programs adversely affected net income. He said results also were affected by a very competitive market and a marked slowdown in activity in industrial sectors the company serves. Second quarter operating earnings amounted to $1,876,800, up 10 percent from the $1,701,600 of a year earlier.

For the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, the Cleveland-based manufacturer/distributor of paper, cloth and vinyl products reported net income of $2,079,400, or 58 cents per share. Year-earlier net income of $2,848,900, or 78 cents per share, included $701,500, or 19 cents per share, in a cumulative adjustment from implementation of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 96 (Accounting for Income Taxes). Six months operating earnings this year amounted to $3,384,400, up from $2,943,000 a year earlier.

Six-month sales this year were $53,910,400, an increase of 15 percent over the $47,055,100 last year.

Current year results include the operations of the company's Industrial Packaging Division which was established in June 1989 with an acquisition. The division manufactures paper tubes and cores for the industry.

Tranzonic has three other operating divisions. The Personal Care Division manufactures and distributes feminine napkins, children's disposable diapers, adult incontinent briefs, obstetrical pads and related products. The Industrial Packaging Division processes, packages and markets industrial wiping and related products and the Housewares Division produces and markets laundry accessories, personal travel organizers, cedar storage and closet organization products.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Boston Burger King (R) customers can now order Coca-Cola with their Whopper (R) sandwiches. Burger King Corporation made the announcement in May 1990 that the Coca Cola Company would become the official soft drink supplier to Burger King (R) restaurants in the USA. The switch is on and now Burger King (R) customers in Boston will be able to order Coca-Cola products including Coca-Cola classic, diet Coke, Sprite and Minute Maid Orange soda in their local Burger King (R) restaurants. All USA Burger King (R) restaurants will be fully converted to Coca-Cola by the end of October.

"We selected Coca-Cola because of its ability to provide a powerful mix of global brand strength, state-of-the-art technological capabilities and

distinctive service," said Barry J. Gibbons, chief executive officer, Burger King Corporation.

To help celebrate that Coca-Cola is now available in Boston Burger King (R) restaurants, Coca-Cola and Burger King have joined Marriott Hotels and Resorts and Northwest Airlines in sponsoring a Boston radio promotion, part of a 40-market radio promotion, "The Real Thing at Burger King Beach Fling." Prizes included tickets via Northwest Airlines to enjoy a Two For Breakfast Weekend at Marriot Hotels and Resorts, dual-cassette AM/FM portable stereos and canvas beach totes filled with sunglasses, frisbees, towels, can coolers, Whopper (R) cards and certificates for free Coca-Cola classic.

Burger King Corporation was acquired by Grand Metropolitan in January, 1989. One of the United Kingdom's largest international companies, Grand Metropolitan is a world leader in the food, drinks, and retailing businesses.

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WICHITA, KAN. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Latshaw Enterprises, Inc. announced today that it is extending until Nov. 2, 1990 its offer to purchase all shares of its common stock from holders of record of 99 or fewer shares as of April 21, 1990, in order to allow shareholders more time to respond. The offer, which had been scheduled to expire on Sept. 28, 1990 will expire on Nov. 2, 1990 at 5 p.m., EDT.

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NEWTOWN SQUARE, PA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - ARCO Chemical Co. (NYSE: RCM) executives today met with financial analysts in New York to discuss several key issues, including the restart schedule for the Channelview, Texas, plant.

President and Chief Executive Officer Harold A. Sorgenti announced that the first unit had been successfully restarted in mid-September. The unit produces methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE), a gasoline- blending ingredient that reduces automotive emissions. The entire Channelview complex had been shutdown following an explosion and fire on July 5. According to the current schedule for restarting the remaining units, butanediol should be on stream by the end of the month, polyols in October, and the propylene oxide/styrene plant in December.

Sorgenti said that insurance should mitigate a substantial portion of the financial impact of the accident. The company has business interruption coverage with a $12.5 million deductible, which was met in the third quarter, and it is considering accruing a portion of the business interruption claim in the third quarter. The company has property damage insurance with a $20 million deductible; however, the depreciated value of the assets destroyed at the plant is significantly less than that number. "The personal injury litigation will be complicated and take some time to be resolved. It is difficult to estimate the financial impact any ultimate resolution will have," Sorgenti said. "Our dividend and our capital programs will not be affected," he said.

Referring to an April 1989 meeting with analysts, Sorgenti reported progress against the company's announced goal to reduce its exposure to cyclicality in the styrene merchant market through a mix of selling arrangements. "I'm happy to say that we have since completed several longer-term volume deals. These provide a floor for styrene margins for significant volumes of product," Sorgenti said.

He also mentioned that the company had completed one equity styrene arrangement and has a letter of intent for a second. With the existing equity arrangement, the partner will invest in the new propylene oxide/styrene plant now under construction at Channelview. ARCO Chemical will operate the plant. The partner provides raw materials and pays its share of the plant operating costs. Sorgenti said: "All told, with these arrangements we have new commitments representing essentially the entire styrene capacity of the new plant, or more than one billion pounds annually."

Sorgenti discussed MTBE, which he called the company's "star performer of late." In the United States, the focus has been on MTBE's ability to make gasoline a cleaner-burning, more efficient fuel. In Europe, MTBE demand reflects the increased acceptance of unleaded gasolines. In 1990, the company added low-cost capacity totalling 5,000 to 6,000 barrels of MTBE per day at plants in France and the Netherlands.

ARCO Chemical Co. is a leading multinational manufacturer and marketer of intermediate chemicals and specialty products used in a broad range of consumer goods.

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#90271p9473 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORCROSS, GA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Stockholder Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: SSI), a NYNEX company, announced today the acquisition of five software systems for wire transfer and ACH processing from Applied Communications Inc. (ACI), Omaha

Neb.

The new products will be managed by SSI's EFT Products Division which already offers a line of software that is complementary to these acquired products. Terms of the acquisition were not released.

The products being acquired are: WireNet(TM), MoneyNet Micro(TM), TRG/TRC(TM) and CIX-PC(TM) which are PC-based systems, and CIX(TM) which operates on an IBM Mainframe. WireNet and MoneyNet Micro are funds transfer systems that automate wire room activities within financial institutions. TRG/TRC, CIX and CIX-PC automate the disbursement and collection of funds through the Automated Clearing House (ACH) network.

"This acquisition fits our strategy of providing a complete solution to the payment processing needs of financial institutions," said John Stephens, president of SSI's Payment Products Group. "SSI currently offers software and services for check processing and ACH processing. We will now offer wire transfer software and are welcoming a strong group of customers which gives SSI an excellent start in this arena," said Stephens.

"Another important aspect of this acquisition is the ability to offer PC-based ACH processing software to go along with our IBM mainframe and midrange ACH systems. SSI was already a leader in providing ACH software and this acquisition further enhances our leadership position," said Stephens.

"SSI has an excellent reputation in the software industry," said Bill Fisher, chief operating officer at ACI. "We are confident SSI will provide a continued level of high quality support to the wire transfer and ACH product users."

The sale of these products is consistent with ACI's strategy in corporate financial services, which focuses on providing Tandem-based software.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Holding Corp. (NASDAQ: UHCO) announced today that at the expiration of its rights offering to its shareholders on Sept. 24, 1990, a total of 1,451,220 units had been purchased by holders of the rights, resulting in proceeds to the company of $1,451,220, before the expenses of the offering.

Pursuant to the terms of the rights offering, all shareholders of record as of

the close of business on July 2, 1990 received one right for each share owned. Each rights entitled the holder to purchase for $1.00 each up to 2 units, each consisting of one share of common stock and 1/2 of a three year warrant to purchase an additional share of common stock at $1.00. The offering was subject to a minimum sale requirement of 689,967 units.

Universal Holding Corp. is the parent company of John Adams Life Insurance Company of New York and Quincy Coverage Corp.

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AKRON, OHIO (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Roadway Express, Inc. announced today that continuing increases in fuel prices make it necessary for the motor carrier to increase its fuel surcharge from one-and-seven tenths (1.7) percent to two-and-two-tenths (2.2) percent. Subject to Interstate Commerce Commission review, the new rate will become effective Oct. 5, 1990.

Michael W. Wickham, president of Roadway Express, stated, "This surcharge is related solely to the recovery of our rising costs for fuel. We are emphasizing driver economy measures, and working with our customers to reduce fuel consumption. But, petroleum costs continue to escalate and continue to reduce our operating margins."

Wickham emphasized that Roadway is sensitive to the impact such increases have on customers. "This is why we will announce any fuel surcharge increase on a Friday, but not implement it until the Friday following its announcement," he said. Wickham further explained that Roadway will continue to monitor fuel prices and adjust the surcharge appropriately.

Roadway Express, based in Akron, Ohio, is one of the nation's largest motor carriers serving more than 58,000 communities in all fifty states, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico and Guam.

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HAMILTON, BERMUDA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Challenger International, Ltd. (NASDAQ: CSTIF) reported a net profit of $441,000, or 9 cents a share, in the third quarter ended July 31, 1990 thereby reducing the year to date loss to $413,000, or 8 cents a share.

The company's operating unit, Savage Arms Inc., earned a profit of $144,000

over the quarter on sales of $4,442,000. Despite lower sales than originally forecast, Savage has been able to maintain prices and margins, which can be attributed to renewed marketing efforts and to the products' quality/price point. Savage's management is expecting a continuation of somewhat lower turnover in the last quarter of the year compared with the third quarter, and appropriate cost reductions have been initiated.

Income from discontinued operations includes a gain of $750,000 in recognition of a current payment due Challenger on the disposition of a fuel oil contract in Sept. 1987. A claim for a substantial sum for losses incurred through contamination at the now discontinued oil blending facility in Louisiana has been filed and is now under consideration by Lloyds underwriters.

Challenger's special restricted voting shares are traded on NASDAQ and the Toronto Stock Exchange (CTT). The Class A restricted voting shares are traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange (CTTA).

CHALLENGER INTERNATIONAL, LTD.
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

Period ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
July 31:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$4,535	$ 50	$10,537	$ 193
Loss from contin. opers.	(212)	(120)	(1,066)	(280)
Inc. (loss) from discont. opers.	653	(877)	653	(737)
Net income (loss)	441	(997)	(413)	(1,017)
Fully diluted per share net income (loss)	$0.09	$(0.20)	$(0.08)	$(0.21)
Avg. shares outstanding	4,315,954	4,315,954	4,315,954	4,315,954

CONTACT: Challenger International public relations, 809-295-8639

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Whitman Corp. (NYSE: WH) today approved a plan of restructuring and reorganization designed to reduce costs, improve operating efficiency, and increase shareholder value.

The plan will include the following actions: -- Spin off Pet to the shareholders of Whitman Corp. Miles L. Marsh, currently president and chief operating officer of Whitman, will become chairman and CEO of Pet when it becomes a stand-alone company. The spin-off is subject to market conditions and receipt of a ruling by the Internal Revenue Service that such an action would be tax-free to the company and its shareholders.

-- Reduce after-tax costs by approximately $54 million on an annualized basis through plant consolidations, reductions of overhead expenses, and employment

reduction. Approximately 1,000 jobs will be eliminated through attrition, retirements, and terminations. Consideration will be given to moving a substantially reduced Whitman headquarters staff to another, less expensive, Chicago-area location.

-- To facilitate the spin-off and the cost reduction program, take a special after-tax charge against third quarter earnings of $150 million. This one-time charge will produce a substantial net loss in Whitman's third quarter, and a net loss for the year.

The company also said that Whitman's per-share income from continuing operations for 1990, taking into account the effects of the restructuring charge, is expected to fall approximately 25 percent below last year. This shortfall results primarily from a weakness in earnings at Pet beginning at the first of the year, and at Hussman. Pet's operating income for 1990 is expected to be approximately 10 percent below last year. However, Pet's prospects for 1991 are for an improvement over those results.

Following the spin-off of Pet, Whitman will consist of three strong operating companies, each number one in its market.

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BOSTON (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Attorney Wayne A. Budd announced the filing today of a complaint against a Holyoke, Mass. company for repeated violations of the federal Clean Water Act.

A complaint was filed in U.S. District Court in Springfield against Mastex Industries, Inc., a textile manufacturer in Holyoke. The complaint alleges that Mastex repeatedly violated federal law from at least 1981 to June 30, 1990 by discharging inadequately treated wastewater into the City of Holyoke wastewater treatment system. The complaint seeks penalties of up to $25,000 per day for each violation on or after Feb. 5, 1987 and $10,000 per day before that, and injunctive relief that would require Mastex to comply with the requirements of federal law.

Regulations promulgated under the Clean Water Act by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency prohibit industries such as Mastex who use a publicly owned pretreatment system such as the City of Holyoke's from discharging into that system wastewater with a pH level of lower than 5.0. Federal regulations also require industries to comply with pH limits established in a municipality's pretreatment program. The City of Holyoke has established local limits prohibiting discharges of wastewater with a pH lower than 5.5 or higher than 9.5. The complaint alleges that Mastex has repeatedly violated both the national standard for pH and the City of Holyoke standard for pH.

The case is being handled by Deputy Associate U.S. Attorney Suzanne E. Durrell of Budd's Civil Enforcement and Defense Bureau, and Diane Chabot of the Regional Counsel's Office of the Environmental Protection Agency.

CONTACT: Suzanne E. Durrell of U.S. Attorney's Office, 617-223-9445

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#90271p9497 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN MATEO, CALIF. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Electronic Arts (NASDAQ: ERTS) today announced plans to team up with SONY for what it believes will be the largest promotion ever created for computer entertainment. It will feature leading products from both companies and will run from Oct. 1, 1990 to March 1 1991. The promotion, called "Save on SONY," will give customers the chance to purchase SONY personal electronics at very attractive prices.

The offer is as follows:

--Purchase 1 featured EA titles, receive a SONY Walkman for $15
--Purchase 2 featured EA titles, receive a SONY Watchman from $85
--Purchase 3 featured EA titles, receive a SONY Discman for $120

Electronic Arts hopes to double or triple unit sales of the featured titles in connection with the "Save on SONY" promotion. The promotion features ten IBM and eight Amiga Electronic Arts titles.

In total, over 3,000 software storefronts will participate in the five-month promotion. "Save on SONY" has been well-received by leading national retailers. Major chains such as Egghead Discount Software, Walden Software, Electronics Boutique, and Software Etc. have already committed to feature the promotion.

"We expect this to be one of the biggest promotions of the year," said Kirk Keys, director of personal products for Egghead Discount Software. "Electronic Arts is offering an impressive lineup of products for this promotion, plus the opportunity to own top-notch SONY items for low prices. It's a great match and we are enthused about it."

Electronics Boutique Vice President and General Merchandise Manager Jeff Griffiths is also encouraged about this promotion and believes it will increase sales. "We are very happy to support this promotion and feel it will definitely help our business in the fourth quarter," Griffiths said.

To redeem SONY gifts, customers can obtain discount coupons either in specially marked packages or at the point of purchase. Electronic Arts will handle all fulfillment of SONY products.

The ten featured Electronic Arts IBM titles are: Populous, LHX Attack Chopper, PGA(R) Tour Golf, Centurion: Defender of Rome, John Madden Football, Starflight 2, 688 Attack Sub, Lakers vs. Celtics & The NBA Playoffs, Stormovik: SU-25 Soviet Attack Fighter, and The Bard's Tale III: Thief of Fate.

The eight featured Electronic Arts Amiga titles are: DeluxePaint III, DeluxeVideo III, Populous, 688 Attack Sub, Budokan, Powermonger, The Immortal, and Chuck Yeager's Advanced Flight Trainer 2.0.

The offer is good in the United States and Canada. Electronic Arts' mission is to be a leader in providing entertainment software for the mass market.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Chemical Company (NYSE: AN), Exxon (NYSE: XON) Chemical Company, and China American Petrochemical Company (CAPCO) today announced that they have signed a letter of intent to study the feasibility of an aromatics complex in Singapore, which would include a 350,000-ton-per-year paraxylene plant.

The proposed plant would be located next to the ESSO Oil refinery, the source of feedstock for the complex. Estimated total project investment is more than $300 million.

Paraxylene is used primarily in the production of purified terephthalic acid (PTA), the preferred raw material for making polyester fiber, film, and container resin.

Amoco is the world's leading producer of PTA, with wholly owned production facilities in the United States and Europe.

Amoco also participates in PTA joint ventures in Latin America and the Far East, including CAPCO, which is a Taiwanese venture with China Petroleum Company and China Holding Company. Amoco's investment program in the Far East includes planned PTA capacity increases in the People's Republic of China and Indonesia, and other locations.

Paraxylene from the proposed aromatics project will be used, in part, to support these Far East Ventures, with CAPCO and Amoco taking most of the product. Exxon Chemical also will take volumes to support its large merchant sales position in the region.

"With a large and growing presence in the Asia-Pacific (PTA) market, the proposed joint venture represents an excellent opportunity to position Amoco to capitalize on emerging investment opportunities in this important market,"

said Kevin Lynch, president of Amoco Chemicals Far East Limited.

"As Asia-Pacific's largest single producer of PTA, the security of our feedstock supply would be improved through this investment," said Jerome S.N. Hu, president of CAPCO.

Joseph Walker, vice president of major ventures for Exxon Chemical in Asia-Pacific, added, "this strategic alliance would support Exxon Chemical's plans to expand our manufacturing presence in Asia Pacific while enhancing our position as a leading global paraxylene supplier.

"All three companies believe that Singapore, with its favorable business environment and anticipated economic incentives, provides an ideal location for this project.

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#90271p9504 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Powell Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: POWL) reported that at a regularly scheduled meeting of its board of directors held today, the board rejected all offers received to purchase its wholly-owned subsidiary, Powell-Process Systems Inc. (PSI). According to Thomas W. Powell chairman and CEO of Powell Industries Inc., "Although we received several bona fide purchase offers, none of those offers reflected the positive turn-around which we have been able to achieve in PSI operations during the past year. From a significant pre-tax loss in fiscal 1989, PSI is now operating slightly above break even and we are confident further significant improvements can be made. For this reason, we are withdrawing it from the market and will shortly announce a reorganization of the management of PSI, which should further enhance its prospects for future success."

In the third quarter of fiscal 1989, a formal plan for the sale of PSI was adopted and this business segment has subsequently been accounted for as "Discontinued Operations." The decision not to sell the subsidiary will require a restatement of prior earnings to eliminate the "discontinued" designation. However, according to J.F. Ahart, vice president and CFO, "the effect of the restatement on current fiscal year results will not be material, in fact, quite insignificant."

Powell-Process Systems Inc. designs, manufactures and sells microprocessor-based distributed control equipment under the trade name MICON. MICON Systems are used for control of boilers, compressors, columns and other industrial processes.

Powell Industries, Inc. designs, manufactures and packages electrical

generation, control and distribution equipment.

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TAMPA, FL (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Belmac Corporation (AMEX: BLM) today reported its financial results for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

"In the last year, Belmac Corporation has set the stage for a decade of profitable global marketing of Alphanon (R), its new hemorrhoidal treatment drug," said Dr. Jean-Francois Rossignol, chairman and CEO.

Belmac posted a net loss of $2,492,405 for fiscal 1990, or 51 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $2,478,794, or 52 cents a share, in fiscal 1989. Dr. Rossignol pointed out that at least $263,000 of the FY 1990 loss was directly related to non-recurring payments of accrued retirement and severance benefits to former Belmac executives, and employees.

Dr. Rossignol emphasized that the company's success in raising additional funds privately, a recent capital restructuring, and reductions in operating expenses allowed Belmac to end the year with working capital of $1,197,591 -- almost double the $659,386 June 30, 1989 working capital. The company's current ratio was 3.8 to 1, and shareholder's equity was $1,773,472, an increase of $1,397,355 when compared to shareholder's equity of $376,117 at June 30, 1989.

Belmac recently signed a distribution agreement for its Alphanon (R) over-the-counter hemorrhoidal treatment drug with the Al Kamali Trading Corporation of Dubai, United Arab Emirates. The agreement covers the Middle East, East Africa and Indian Subcontinent. Belmac's first commercial shipments of Alphanon (R) to Dubai will be made from France.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Chicago Milwaukee Corp. (NYSE: CHG) announced today that the executive committee of its board of directors has increased Chicago Milwaukee's existing authorization for repurchases of outstanding shares of its common stock from $30 million to $60 million. The repurchases will continue to be made from time to time in the open market, subject to availability of shares at prices deemed appropriate by Chicago Milwaukee.

Through Sept. 27, 1990, Chicago Milwaukee had repurchased a total of 210,400 shares of its common stock in the open market under the authorization for an aggregate purchase price (including brokerage commissions) of approximately $25,450,000.

CONTACT: Leon F. Fiorentino of Chicago Milwaukee, 312-294-0440, or Michael Millar or Bryan Glaza of Dragonette, Inc., 312-565-4300, for Chicago Milwaukee

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ELGIN, ILL. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Safety-Kleen Corp. (NYSE: SK) today announced that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission regarding a proposed public offering of 3,000,000 shares of common stock. 2,400,000 shares are being offered for sale in the U.S. by the U.S. Underwriters and 600,000 shares are being offered for sale outside the U.S. by the International Underwriters in a concurrent offering. William Blair & Company and Salomon Brothers Inc. will co-manage the underwriting group.

The company intends to use a portion of the net proceeds from the offering to repay in full the company's borrowings under its bank lines of credit. The remaining proceeds will be used for acquisitions and for general corporate purposes.

The company also announced that earlier today it entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Orm Bergold Chemie, Germany's largest solvent recycler, for approximately $34 million. The company expects the closing of this acquisition to occur in January 1991. The acquisition agreement is an important step toward implementing a decision by Safety- Kleen to expand its business in Europe. Consistent with this decision, on Aug. 29, 1990, Safety-Kleen acquired, for approximately $4 million, the company which had operated its basic parts cleaner service business in Germany under license from Safety-Kleen.

Safety-Kleen Corp. is the world's largest provider of parts cleaner services and related solvent recycling. The company also collects a variety of hazardous and quasi-hazardous liquid wastes from automotive repair outlets, industrial plants, dry cleaners and other waste generators. The fluids are recycled or re-refined for reuse or blended into fuels for use in industrial furnaces or cement kilns.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall

there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state. A prospectus may be obtained from William Blair & Company, 135 S. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill. 60603, or Salomon Brothers Inc., 8700 Sears Tower, Chicago, Ill., 60606.

CONTACT: Laurence Rudnick of Safety-Kleen, 708-697-8460

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#90271p9512 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The circus comes to town this year with a little help from Cadillac Motor Car. The Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus will begin its traditional "Animal Walk" from Cadillac's rail spur on Michigan and Vinewood Monday, Oct. 1, at 7 p.m.

Cadillac, for the third year, is volunteering the use of its rail facility for the unloading and parking of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey 44-car train. This allows the circus to unload its animals and begin its "Animal Walk" closer to Joe Louis Arena, site of the six-day circus.

"Our assistance with this program is a natural partnership," said William J. O'Neill, Cadillac director of public relations. "The Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus is as much a tradition in Detroit as is Cadillac. Cadillac is pleased to assist such a worthwhile community effort."

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NEW BRIGHTON, MINN. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Dotronix, Inc. (NASDAQ: DOTX) today announced results for fiscal 1990, ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the year were $20,504,939, compared to $31,796,808 the year before. Net earnings were a loss of $(2,835,356) or $(.89) a share, compared with $(573,606), or $(.18) a share a year earlier.

Fourth quarter revenues were $4,878,284 versus $7,010,745 for the same quarter a year earlier. Net earnings were a loss of $(1,129,965), or $(.36) a share, versus $(338,482), or $(.10) a share, for the same quarter a year ago.

President William S. Sadler said decreased revenues continue to reflect reduction in demand and increased competition for financial market and desktop publishing products. However, he stated Dotronix, Inc. backlog is $10,000,000 and in the last three months has shown a slight increasing trend as the new products are being introduced.

During the past year the company has concentrated its product development on other markets. Dotronix large screen color displays for video walls and transportation industry were introduced in January 1990 and Dotronix instrumentation and large screen high-resolution displays will be available for shipment during the second quarter of 1991.

Dotronix believes that the markets for CRT displays and closed- circuit video monitors that it designs and manufactures is extensive and diverse. Applications include desk-top publishing, airline flight information, medical imaging/diagnostics, test and measurement instruments, CAD/CAM/CAE and graphics, industrial process control, bank/brokerage terminals, and video display walls.

Dotronix, Inc. has facilities in Minnesota, Colorado, Wisconsin and Taiwan. The company's common stock is traded over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol DOTX and is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System.

DOTRONIX, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME
(dollars in thousands except per share)

	Quarter Ended		Year Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Revenues	$4,878	$7,011	$20,505	$31,797
Net earnings (loss)	$(1,130)	$(388)	$(2,835)	$(574)
Earnings (loss) per share	$(.36)	$(.10)	$(.89)	$(.18)
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,167	3,242	3,203	3,242

Balance Sheet Data
(dollars in thousands)

	6/30/90	6/30/89
Cash and temporary cash investments	$2,045	3,064
Current assets	15,411	18,471
Working capital	5,091	9,148
Total assets	20,373	24,781
Long-term liabilities	401	2,195
Stockholders' equity	$9,652	$12,694

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POMPANO BEACH, FLA. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Agri-Dade, Ltd. -- a majority-owned subsidiary of Argipost, Inc. -- today announced it has received an extension of its construction loan to October 31, 1990. The lenders have agreed to accept a note in lieu of cash payment of the interest accruing during the months of September and October, 1990. The terms of this extension are identical to those of the previous extensions.

The Company is continuing its efforts to raise additional funds to finance the completion of its Dade County composting facility, modify the post-composting portion of the processing equipment, and establish markets for its end-product Agrisoil. The Company has received an extension until December 31, 1990, of the inducement to issue industrial revenue bonds from the Dade County Industrial Development Authority. The Company is also negotiating to obtain a letter of credit to secure the bond issue. There can be no assurance these efforts can be completed by October 31 or that the construction lenders will agree to further extend the construction loan.

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ORLANDO, FLA. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - J. William Brandner has resigned his positions at Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc. (NYSE: HBJ) to pursue other ventures. He was a director, vice chairman and chief operating officer of the company and chairman of HBJ's insurance companies.

Robert E. Evanson, who is an executive vice president and chief financial officer of HBJ, will assume additional duties as chairman of the insurance companies. Evanson, 53, also is a director of the company. The president of the insurance companies, Gerrit J. Bol, will report to Evanson.

Gary J. Arnold, who is senior vice president and corporate secretary, will also assume additional duties, including oversight of Harcourt Brace Jovanovich Legal and Professional Publications, Inc., a subsidiary that conducts bar review and accounting accreditation courses. Arnold will also be responsible for the management of HBJ's various office facilities.

Brandner's duties as chief operating officer will be assumed by Peter Jovanovich, president and chief executive officer of HBJ.

"Bill Brandner has served HBJ ably for many years," said Jovanovich. "We are grateful for his service. We will miss his talents, but we wish him the best."

Eliminating the position of chief operating officer is expected to help the company's cost-cutting efforts without hampering business operations. "I am confident that with Bob Evanson and Gary Bol's leadership the insurance companies will continue to be strong performers for HBJ," said Jovanovich.

Harcourt Brace Jovanovich publishes general books, school and college textbooks, and psychological tests, as well as medical and scientific books and journals.

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Brace Jovanovich, Inc., 407-345-3010

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BOSTON (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank of New England Corporation (NYSE: NEB) today announced that it has begun discussions with committees representing certain of its senior and subordinated bondholders over a recapitalization of the company's balance sheet. The committees, which were formed at the company's request, have also retained financial and legal advisers.

The senior bondholder committee has selected Rothschild, Inc. as its financial adviser and Weil, Gotshal & Manges as its legal adviser.

Paine Webber chairs the subordinated bondholder committee which has selected Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette as its financial adviser and Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton as its legal adviser.

Bank of New England Corporation is a Boston-based interstate bank holding company with assets of $23 billion and banking offices in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island. Its common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and is traded uder the symbol NEB.

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TAMPA, FLA. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - First Florida Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: FFBK) announced today that its third quarter earnings will reflect a $22 million provision to the loan loss reserve, compared to a $7 million provision in the second quarter of 1990.

The company's anticipated earnings for the third quarter of 1990 will be approximately $3 million or $.21 per share as compared to $13.2 million, or $.83 per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

First Florida Chairman A. Bronson Thayer said, "We continue to see favorable trends in operating revenues in the third quarter. First Florida will show increases in net interest income and non-interest income over the third quarter of 1989." Net interest income will be 5 percent higher than for the same period last year and non-interest income will increase by approximately 32 percent, he added.

First Florida's capital ratios also remain strong. At the end of the third

quarter it is estimated that the equity to asset ratio will be 7.55 percent. The estimated primary and total capital ratios at Sept. 30, 1990 will be 8.52 percent and 8.53 percent, respectively.

The increased provision to the loan loss reserve will be made as a result of a rise in non-performing assets as well as an increase in net loan losses during the quarter. It is anticipated that non-performing assets will reach approximately $74 million at the end of the third quarter, or approximately 1.9 percent of net loans plus other real estate, compared with $65 million at June 30, 1990. Of total non-performing assets at Sept. 30, 1990, it is estimated that non-performing loans will total approximately $58 million. Of this amount, it is estimated that approximately 58 percent will be real estate loans, 34 percent will be commercial loans, and 8 percent will be consumer loans.

Net charge-offs are anticipated to be approximately $22 million in the third quarter of 1990 compared with $4 million for the second quarter of 1990. Of this total, consumer loan charge-offs will be approximately $8 million, charge-offs of commercial loans will be approximately $13 million, and real estate loan charge-offs will be approximately $1 million. Based on these anticipated charge-offs, the annualized ratio of charge-offs to average net loans for consumer loans in the third quarter and for the year to date will be 3.17 percent and 1.86 percent, respectively. For commercial loans these ratios for the quarter and for the year to date will be 5.59 percent and 2.39 percent, respectively. For real estate loans, these ratios for both the quarter and for the year to date will be .21 percent.

Thayer further stated that the increased provision for the quarter replenishes the loan loss reserve for charged off loans, primarily installment and commercial loans. "Charge-offs of installment loans this quarter will be higher than in prior periods due in part to the consolidation of our loan systems this quarter," he said. Thayer added that continued softening of the Florida economy precipitated the increase in commercial loan charge-offs as well as the increase in non-performing assets.

First Florida Banks, Inc., a Tampa-based company with $5.5 billion in assets, operates 154 banking offices along Florida's West Coast from Pensacola to Naples/Marco Island and across the central Florida corridor to the Atlantic Coast.

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and chief financial officer of First Florida Banks, Inc., 813-224-1901

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well as the increase in non-performing assets.

"We are taking steps to protect our financial standing because of the concerns we have relative to both the state and national economy. Responding to these volatile conditions, our loan quality review committee has strengthened our credit review process by rigorously monitoring our loan portfolio on a continuous basis. We will continue our commitment to provide for the credit needs of the communities we serve without sacrificing the quality of our loan portfolio," Thayer said.

It is anticipated that First Florida's total loans outstanding as of Sept. 30, 1990 will be approximately $3.9 billion. Of this total, commercial loans will make up approximately 24 percent of the total, consumer loans will be 26 percent, residential real estate loans will be 17 percent, construction loans will be 13 percent and commercial real estate loans will be 20 percent of the total.

The reserve for possible loan losses is expected to be approximately $57 million at Sept. 30, 1990 and will provide a coverage ratio of reserve for possible loan losses to non-performing loans of 98 percent and a ratio of 77 percent of non-performing assets. After giving effect to the additional provision and anticipated net loan losses, it is anticipated that the ratio of the reserve for possible loan losses to toal loans plus other real estate will be approximately 1.45 percent at Sept. 30, 1990.

First Florida Banks, Inc., a Tampa-based company with $5.5 billion in assets, operates 154 banking offices along Florida's West Coast from Pensacola to Naples/Marco Island and across the central Florida corridor to the Atlantic Coast.

First Florida Banks' common stock is traded in the national over-the-counter market under NASDAQ symbol FFBK.

CONTACT: Robert G. Harris, senior executive vice president and chief financial officer of First Florida Banks, Inc., 813-224-1901

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - BMR Financial Group Inc. (NASDAQ: BMRG) today announced that it would add to its reserves for possible loan losses and uncollectible receivables in the third quarter.

These additions to reserves and other third quarter charges will result in an anticipated loss in excess of $1.3 million, or 46 cents per share, for the quarter. Losses for the first nine months of 1990 are expected to be approximately $400,000, or 14 cents per share.

The company set aside a reserve of $1.1 million in the third quarter in the consulting division for potentially uncollectible revenues that were previously recognized. These revenues are largely related to one major contract now being disputed. The company's member banks will record approximately $700,000 in provision for loan losses in the third quarter, as a result of the company's assessment of the uncertain economic environment in the company's markets. Loan loss provision in the third quarter of 1989 totaled $142,000, while provision for the 12 months of 1989 totaled $1,009,000.

Approximately $350,000 in expenses related to the termination of the company's agreement to acquire First Chattanooga Financial Corp. was recorded in the third quarter. Third quarter results will reflect approximately $100,000 in severance costs related to staff reductions at both the consulting company and the parent company.

The common stock of BMR Financial Group is traded in the Over-the-Counter market and is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market List under the symbol "BMRG."

CONTACT: Douglas G. Greene, chief financial officer of BMR, 404-934-9994

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IRVING, TEXAS (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Michaels Stores Inc. (AMEX: MKE) today reported that sales at its speciality retailing stores increased 23.8 percent in September to approximately $25.6 million, from $20.7 million in the same month a year ago. The latest month's sales are a new record for September.

Sales at stores in operation during both periods were 8.8 percent higher at approximately $22.0 million, compared with $20.2 million a year earlier.

The company noted that the improved sales primarily reflects Michaels' emphasis on a broader range of arts and crafts items than a year ago, at the same time as it is reaching a wider audience through new advertising and promotional programs.

Michaels Stores Inc. (AMEX symbol: MKE) is one of the nation's leading specialty retailers, with 136 stores in 18 states in the southern half and Midwestern sections of the United States featuring a wide selection of competitively priced home decoration and arts and crafts items.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Lennar Corporation (NYSE: LEN), one of the

nation's leading home building and real estate companies, today reported revenues and earnings for the third quarter of its fiscal year and for the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Leonard Miller, chairman of the board and president, announced earnings of $3,254,000 ($.32 per share) on revenues of $87,648,000 for the third quarter, compared with earnings of $7,010,000 ($.70 per share) on revenues of $110,608,000 for the third quarter of fiscal 1989.

For the nine-month period, Lennar's revenues were $255,611,000, compared with $300,781,000 for the first nine months of fiscal 1989. Nine-month earnings were $10,263,000 ($1.02 per share), compared with earnings of $19,225,000 ($1.92 per share) for the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

The company delivered 776 homes during the third quarter of 1990, compared with 1,070 deliveries during the same period of 1989. Deliveries for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 totaled 2,213 homes, compared with 2,898 homes delivered in the first nine months last year. At Aug. 31, 1990, Lennar had approximately $126 million in backlog of home sales for future delivery, as compared to $190 million at Aug 31, 1989. These dollar amounts represent a 1,268 backlog of home sales as of Aug. 31, 1990, as compared to a backlog of 2,136 a year earlier.

Miller stated that Lennar's third quarter 1990 results reflect the continued softening of the housing market across the country. He added that despite the weaker economic environment, Lennar's financial strength places it in an excellent position to capitalize on future opportunities.

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MIAMI (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Ryder System (NYSE: R) has reached an agreement in principle to sell Ryder Temperature Controlled Carriage, an operating unit of its Vehicle Leasing & Services Division, to a group led by Roger Blume as president and Steven George as chairman. The group includes LFC Financial Corp. of Radnor, Pa., a diversified financial company. The announcement was made today by A. Gordon Shelfer Jr., senior vice president of the division. Terms were not disclosed, and the sale is subject to various government approvals.

Ryder Temperature Controlled Carriage is a refrigerated truckload and less-than-truckload common carrier based in Nashville, Tenn., which had 1989 revenue of $44 million. While the company is a unit of Ryder System's Vehicle Leasing & Services Division, it is not part of the division's principal truck leasing, truck rental and dedicated contract carriage services. In 1989, the

Vehicle Leasing & Services Division accounted for $3.15 billion of Ryder System's $5.1 billion revenue.

Ryder System, Inc. is the parent of a group of companies which provide high-quality highway transportation and aviation services. Revenue for the 12 months ended June 30, 1990 was $5.1 billion, and assets totaled $5.9 billion at June 30, 1990.

Ryder System is a component of the Dow Jones Transportation Average and the Standard & Poor's 500 Index.

CONTACT: Dave Dawson of Ryder System, Inc., 305-593-3210

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Spinnaker Software Corporation (NASDAQ: SPKR), today reported a net loss of $2,117,261, or 24 cents per share for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. This compares to a net loss of $516,581, or 18 cents per share, for the five months ended June 30, 1989, and a net loss of $125,305, or 5 cents per share, for the fiscal year ended Jan. 31, 1989. Net sales for fiscal 1990 totaled $13,666,650 compared to $3,719,852 for the five months ended June 30, 1989, and $12,343,359 for the fiscal year ended Jan. 31, 1989.

SPINNAKER SOFTWARE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

Summary of Operations

	Year Ended 6/30/90	Five Months 6/30/89	Year Ended 1/31/89
Net sales	$13,666,650	$3,719,852	$12,343,359
Net income (loss)	(2,117,261)	(516,581)	(125,305)
Earnings (loss) per share	(24 cents)	(18 cents)	(5 cents)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	8,933,413	2,824,691	2,563,466

CONTACT: Leslie Daley of Spinnaker Software, 617-494-1200

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#90271p9566 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, VA. (SEPT. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) announced today that Japan Air Lines has purchased the VITAL VII MULTIVIEW (asterisk) visual system for its Beech C90 KingAir aircraft simulator.

VITAL VII is the most advanced in the line of computer generated visual systems designed and built by McDonnell Douglas Electronics Systems Co.

VITAL VII is a full color, full daylight, dusk and night system. Integrated on an aircraft training simulator, it offers pilots the optimal visual training environment. VITAL VII meets Federal Aviation Administration Phase III, UK Civil Aviation Authority Level 4, and Australian Civil Aviation Authority Level 5 approval standards.

VITAL VII simulates all aspects of flying, including airport runway and taxiway lighting hangars, ground support equipment and ground traffic hazards. The system also provides complete training under a full range of weather and visibility conditions. Custom scene generation is enhanced with VITAL VII's photo texture feature. Standard to the VITAL VII, this feature digitizes a photograph and includes it in the system's database, replicating a location and its distinguishing characteristics.

VITAL VII and its display systems can be configured to meet specific customer training needs. Japan Air Lines has selected a VITAL system that will have three video channels, which produce pictures for display on a MULTIVIEW, 150 degree field-of-view, optical display system with high resolution, calligraphic lightpoints, and texture. The result is a wide-angle, cross-cockpit display of computer generated images that creates a scene very close to the real environment. Japan Air Lines will use the simulator for ab initio pilot training. Ab initio refers to new pilots who have no previous flying experience. The system will be installed at the Japan Air Lines Napa Valley Training Center in California.

McDonnell Douglas will integrate the VITAL VII system with a simulator to be built by Flight Safety International, in Tulsa, Okla. The system is scheduled for delivery fourth quarter 1991.

CONTACT: Karolyn Wolf of McDonnell Douglas Electronic Systems Co., 703-883-3825

-30- 2380

#90271p9571 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Royal Oak Resources Ltd. (Toronto: ROL) announces that it has entered into an agreement with the principal lenders to Giant Resources Limited of Australia to extend the closing of Royal Oak's Cdn. $33 million acquisition of control of the Pamour group of companies. The transaction is expected to close on Oct. 5, 1990 or shortly thereafter.

CONTACT: Steve Manz of Royal Oak Resources Ltd., 604-682-8320

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GREENVILLE, S.C. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Beverage Properties, Inc. announced

today that it has acquired Nehi-Royal Crown Bottling Company, Inc. of Greenville, S.C.

Cecil L. Duffie, Jr., Chairman of Beverage Properties, Inc.'s board of directors, said the acquisition is part of a long-term strategy for building a network of independent bottlers.

"This acquisition establishes our presence in upstate South Carolina and North Georgia and provides leverage for future acquisitions," Duffie said. "We believe that the outlook for independent bottlers is bright when economies of scale can be accomplished through networking and consolidation."

Nehi-Royal Crown Bottling Company, Inc. bottles and distributes Royal Crown, Diet Rite, Nehi, Schweppes, Hires, Sundrop and Cheerwine soft drinks in a 15-county area of upstate South Carolina and eastern Georgia. The company's bottling operation in Greenville is one of the 5 largest volume Royal Crown bottling plants in the United States. The company was formed in 1950 by Laurens C. Nicholson, T.L. Wilson and the late Chester E. Hatch. Nicholson has served as the company's president since its founding and is a director of the South Carolina Soft Drink Bottlers Association and the National Royal Crown Bottlers Association. Mr. Nicholson is well known as an innovator in the soft drink business. He was instrumental in the development and introduction of Diet Rite Cola, the original diet cola, which had its national debut in Greenville, South Carolina.

Duffie said Beverage Properties, Inc. was established for the purpose of acquiring and managing beverage bottling and distribution.

The company was formed by Frank S. Collins and P. Thomas Compton of Greenville along with Cecil L. Duffie, Jr., and Signe C. Cann of Duffie & Company and Noro-Moseley Partners of Atlanta, Georgia. Henry D. Jacobs, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of One Price Clothing Stores, will also be a shareholder and a member of the board of directors.

Duffie & Company, a Greenville-based corporate finance firm, negotiated the purchase and arranged the equity and debt capital. First Union National Bank of South Carolina is the company's lender.

Noro-Moseley Partners (NMP) is an Atlanta-based private investment firm with committed capital of more than $100 million. NMP is the largest venture capital organization based in the Southeast and since its formation in 1983 has invested more than $45 million in private companies, representing the most active private company investment progam in the Southeast. Charles D. Moseley, Jr. managing partner of Noro-Moseley, will serve on Beverage Properties, Inc.'s board of directors.

Frank S. Collins will serve as president of Nehi-Royal Crown Bottling Company, Inc., following its acquisition by Beverage Properties, Inc. Collins has

been employed by the company for 17 years and currently is its general manager. P. Thomas Compton will serve as vice president of operation of Nehi-Royal Crown Bottling Company, Inc. Compton spent 15 years in the soft drink bottling business, most recently as vice president of CCBC of Western Carolinas, Inc. Both Collins and Compton will also serve as officers and directors of Beverage Properties, Inc. and Signe C. Cann will serve as treasurer and chief financial officer. Duffie will serve as chief executive officer and chairman of the board of directors of Beverage Properties, Inc.

CONTACT: Cecil L. Duffie, Jr., 803-232-4618, or Charles D. Moseley, Jr., 404-233-1966

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TORONTO (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Gunter B. Otto, president and chief operating officer, today announced that Cara Operations Limited continues to show earnings growth albeit somewhat affected by a slower economy and higher-than-expected interest costs relating to the acquisition of Grand & Toy in late June this year.

Profits for the two quarters ended Sept. 16, 1990, increased by 3.4 percent over last year.

CARA OPERATIONS LIMITED

12 weeks ended:	9/16/90	9/17/89
System sales	$250,860,000	$179,784,000(A)
Net profit	10,372,000	10,551,000
Earnings per share	27.2 cents	27.7 cents
24 weeks ended:	9/16/90	9/17/89
System Sales	$424,236,000	$342,059,000(A)
Net profit	17,038,000	16,482,000
Earnings per share	44.7 cents	43.2 cents

(A) -- Does not reflect Grand & Toy numbers for comparative purposes.

Cara Operations Limited is one of Canada's leading corporations in both the food services industry and office supplies retailing and wholesaling.

Hamburgers and other fast foods are sold through Harvey's. Family style dining is offered at Swiss Chalet Chicken & Ribs, Steak & Burger and Wildwood. Specialty and fine dining is available at restaurants operating under various names at certain office complexes. The Airline Catering Division serves major Canadian and International Airlines through flight kitchens across Canada. The corporation also operates restaurants at various Canadian airports, railway stations, plazas and certain U.S. cities.

Office supplies and furniture are sold through Grand and Toy retail outlets

and wholesale commercial orders are filled from large distribution centers. The corporation also operates gift stores and newsstands at airports, hotels, train stations and shopping malls.

In the hospitality industry, the company operates the Days Inn Hotel at Pearson International Airport and is the franchisor for Days Inns Canada.

CONTACT: Michael Nahirny, senior VP-finance and administration of Cara Operations Limited, 416-962-4571

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#90271p9583 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELKIN, N.C. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - At its Annual Vendor Outing last week in Elkin, N.C., Brendle's (NASDAQ-NMS: BRDL) handed out several awards for its top vendors of this past year.

Various criteria, including volume, percent increases in volume, low percentages of defectives, and return on investment were used to come up with the final winners.

The 1990 Resource of the Year winners in the following categories were: Olympus Corporation for Photo; Thomson Consumer Electronics (G.E.) for Electronics; Royal Appliance Manufacturing Company for Appliances; American Tourister for Luggage/Gifts; Huffy Corporation for Toys and Juvenile; Plantation Patterns for Seasonal; Corning for Housewares; and Citizen Watch Company for Watches.

Also, the 1990 Outstanding Resource of the Year awards were given in the Top General Merchandise category to Diversified Products, and in the Jewelry category to D. Chabbott, Inc.

Another new award given at this year's outing was that of 1990 Rookie of the Year which went to the Electrolux Corporation. This award is given to the top performing new vendor for Brendle's over the past years.

The representatives of these companies were awarded special edition prints from noted artist, Bruce Cunningham, of the American chestnut tree and also prints from the local artist, John Furches, which depict the peaceful, rural setting, one which is typical of what was once the home of the American chestnut tree.

The American chestnut tree will become symbolic of Brendle's in the coming year as we embark upon a program to help rescue this invaluable tree from extinction. Once abundant, the American chestnut has almost disappeared from forests, the victim of a destructive fungus. No other native tree matched its usefulness or place in American culture. Through current research this handsome tree, whose wood was so useful for heavy construction, paneling,

furniture, musical instruments, pulpwood, fuel, and even food, has an excellent chance of returning.

Brendle's Inc., a discount department store headquartered in Elkin, N.C., will have 59 stores operating this fall throughout North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, and Georgia.

Brendle's is traded on the over the counter market under the symbol of BRDL.

CONTACT: David Brendle of Brendle's, Inc., 919-526-6526

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#90271p9584 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Flight attendants employed by WestAir (United Express), represented by the Association of Flight Attendants (AFA), reached a tentative agreement on a first-time contract with the company today. The agreement was reached after almost 21 months of negotiations, the AFA said.

Negotiations between the WestAir flight attendants and management began on Jan. 9, 1989. The flight attendants voted to be represented by AFA on May 23 1988.

The tentative agreement includes substantial pay and work rule improvements over the life of the three-year contract. Details of the agreement are being withheld pending ratification by the membership. The flight attendants will vote on the agreement by confidential mail ballots which will be counted in early November.

"This agreement on a first-time contract is a career milestone for the WestAir flight attendants," said Susan Bianchi-Sand, AFA national president. "These are front-line workers, responsible for passenger safety, and the work rule and pay improvements in this contract are well-deserved and long overdue."

WestAir employs 185 flight attendants and has its headquarters in Fresno, Calif., with additional flight attendant bases located in Bakersfield and Sacramento, Calif.

The Association of Flight Attendants, AFL-CIO, represents 30,000 flight attendants on 18 airlines and is the largest flight attendant union in the world.

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#90271p9587 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUMMIT, N.J. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the Summit Bancorporation (NASDAQ: SUBN) today approved a special provision for loan losses of $60 million for the third quarter of 1990. After this action, Summit's allowance for loan losses will be nearly $74 million or 2.8 percent of total loans, 70 percent of nonperforming loans and 64 percent of nonperforming assets. Third quarter net charge-offs are anticipated to be approximately $30 million and nonperforming assets are expected to be approximately $114 million, or 4.3 percent of total loans, at Sept. 30, 1990.

Consistent with Summit's attempt to identify problem loans at an early stage, approximately 60 percent of the loans added to the nonperforming category during the third quarter or approximately 40 percent of total nonperforming assets are either still current or less than 90 days past due. These so called "performing" nonperforming loans have been so categorized because of their potential to become more than 90 days delinquent. Previous nonperforming loan totals have not included similar percentages of performing loans. The large majority of Summit's charge-offs and nonperforming loans are related to real estate lending in New Jersey.

At June 30, Summit reported nonperforming assets of $62 million, and the allowance for loan losses stood at $42 million or 1.59 percent of total loans, 80 percent of nonperforming loans and 68 percent of nonperforming assets.

When reporting its second quarter results, Summit mentioned the likelihood of continued increases in nonperforming loans during the third quarter as a result of the continued weakness in New Jersey's economy and the decline in the state's real estate market. However, the magnitude of the increases in nonperforming loans and charge-offs was greater than anticipated. Similarly, although Summit has taken this action based on the present situation and current expectations, there can be no assurance that there will not be further deterioration in the future.

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The board of directors also declared Summit's regular cash dividend of $0.20 per share on its common stock payable Dec. 15 to shareholders of record Dec. 1 1990. This makes the 68th consecutive quarterly common stock dividend paid to Summit's shareholders since Summit started operations as a bank holding company in 1974. The board also declared a cash dividend of $0.4156 per share on its adjustable rate preferred stock, also payable Dec. 15 to shareholders of record Dec. 1.

The Summit Bancorporation, which is headquartered in Summit, N.J., is a $3.7 billion financial services organization operating 80 banking offices throughout 11 New Jersey counties.

CONTACT: John R. Feeney, chief financial officer, 201-701-2510, or James S. Little, general counsel, 201-701-2512, both of Summit Bancorporation

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#90271p9597 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KS (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) today asked the United States District Court in Kansas City, Missouri, to issue a summary judgment against Kansas City Power and Light Company (NYSE: KLT) finding that the KCPL unsolicited tender offer for KG&E stock violates the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935.

KG&E claims that the KCPL tender offer is unlawful under the Holding Company Act which makes it illegal for any company to acquire five percent or more of the voting securities of one public utility without prior approval by the Securities and Exchange Commission if that company already owns five percent or more of the voting securities of another public utility. KCPL owns 47 percent of Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation, a public utility.

Since KCPL has not sought SEC approval or conditioned its offer on obtaining SEC approval, KG&E contends its tender offer is unlawful.

KG&E also asked the federal court to request the SEC to file a friend of the court brief on whether the KCPL tender offer violates the Holding Company Act.

CONTACT: Lyle Koerper of Kansas Gas and Electric, 316-261-6207

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Summit's Chairman Thomas D. Sayles, Jr., commented that taking the special provision is prudent in light of the level of charge-offs, the increase in nonperforming assets and the current state of the economy. Sayles added, "Even after the special provision, Summit will continue to be well capitalized with a primary capital ratio in excess of 8.5 percent and risk-based capital ratios of 9 percent for core capital and 11 percent for total capital under the more stringent 1992 standards."

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The Summit Bancorporation, which is headquartered in Summit, N.J., is a $3.7 billion financial services organization operating 80 banking offices throughout 11 New Jersey counties. Summit's banking subsidiaries include the Summit Trust Company, the Chatham Trust Company, Maplewood Bank and Trust

Company, Ocean National Bank, Bay State Bank, the Trust Company of Princeton, and Somerset Trust Company. Other Summit affiliates include the Summit Mortgage Company, Inc., Summit Leasing Corporation, and Beechwood Insurance Agency, Inc.

CONTACT: John R. Feeney, chief financial officer, 201-701-2510, or James S. Little, general counsel, 201-701-2512, both of Summit Bancorporation

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#90271p9602 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Leading energy project developer O'Brien Energy Systems (AMEX: OBS) today reported results for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Sales increased to a record $37,511,180 in fiscal 1990, up from $27,803,043 in fiscal 1989, and the company's asset base rose to $216 million from $174 million last year. As projected, O'Brien reported a loss for the year of $1,420,111, or 11 cents per share, compared with last year's loss of $2,983,139, or 29 cents per share.

Sales for the fourth quarter rose to $8,332,000, from $7,470,000 for the comparable year-ago period. Fourth-quarter net loss was $934,000, or 7 cents per share, compared with net income of $46,000, or less than 1 cents per share for the like quarter last year.

"Although our overall business made significant gains in fiscal 1990, we did not have any benefit from operations of the wholly owned, $54 million Newark Boxboard project as a result of construction delays," said Joel Cooperman, chief financial officer.

"Now that the Newark project has begun its acceptance testing phase, and the $102 million Parlin project gets nearer to completion, we expect growing profitability after the first quarter in this fiscal year," Cooperman said.

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#90271p9607 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Union leaders representing approximately 25,000 Acme Markets Inc. employees met in Philadelphia yesterday to formulate plans to protect the contracts and job security of their membership.

The meeting was called by Gary Duckett, international vice president of the United Food and Commercial Workers Union (UFCW), and Wendell W. Young III,

president of the UFCW, Local 1776, in response to the notice by the American Stores Co. (NYSE: ASC) that they have authorized the sale of Acme Markets Inc. which operated 275 supermarkets in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, New York and Virginia.

At the all-day meeting, Local UFCW, Teamster and Bakery Workers Unions elected a committee to pursue the goals of the group. Young was elected chairman. Co-chairman is Tom Russow, president of UFCW Baltimore Local 27. Other committee members are Leo Cinaglia, president of Camden, N.J.,

UFCW Local 56, Vincent DeVito, president of North Jersey UFCW Local 1245, Joe Rauscher, president of the Bakery Workers Local 6, and John Morris, Teamster Union Joint Council president.

The group listened to an economic analysis of the Acme Stores prepared by Malon Wilkus, the president of American Capital Strategies of Bethesda, Md., and Robert Daum of Prudential-Bache Securities. Steven Hester, a partner in the Washington, D.C., law firm of Arnold and Porter, discussed the legal and economic benefits of an employee buy-out of Acme through an Employee Stock Option Program (ESOP).

The group decided to call for a meeting with Samuel Skaggs, chairman of the board of the Salt Lake City-based American Stores Co., and Jonathan L. Scott, president and chief executive officer of American Stores. In addition, the group asked the American Capital Strategies firm to advise the locals representing the Acme Stores on strategies to maximize the influence of the unions on the outcome of the potential sale of the Acme Division, including the potential for an employee buy-out of Acme.

The American Stores has retained Wall Street-based Lehman Brothers to act as the exclusive agent in soliciting bids for Acme.

In response to a request by Young to Gov. Robert Casey, representatives of the Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority of the Department of Commerce participated in the meeting.

Local leaders from Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and New York will request the same assistance from their state governors.

CONTACT: Wendell W. Young III, president of UFCW Local 1776, 215-457-5200 or 215-836-4452

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#90271p9610 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern TeleLogic Corp. (ETC) has received $7.5 million in new investment capital from Alta Telecom Inc., a U.S.-based subsidiary of Telus Corp. of Canada.

Gary E. Lasher, president of Eastern TeleLogic, said the new capital would be used for further expansion of the company's regional fiber optic telecommunications system, and for ongoing operations.

Eastern TeleLogic, headquartered in King of Prussia, has designed and installed a 108-mile fiber optic telecommunications network which extends from the Route 202 Technology Corridor through the northern suburbs of Fort Washington, Willow Grove and Blue Bell, Pa., to Center City Philadelphia, with spurs connecting Malvern, Pa., in the west and Camden, N.J., in the east.

More than 200 major office buildings in the region have been connected to the ETC Network, providing their tenants with reduced cost, high quality interconnection to national long distance carriers such as AT&T, MCI and Sprint for voice, data and video transmission capabilities.

The Eastern TeleLogic network also offers interconnection diversity as protection for companies whose operations are heavily dependent on telecommunications services, and for whom service interruptions could be disastrous.

Telus Corp. also owns AGT which operates the telephone company in the Province of Alberta, Canada. The U.S.-based subsidiary, Alta Telecom Inc., is an operations and construction firm specializing in engineering, design and implementation of telecommunications systems throughout the United States.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boeing Co. (NYSE: BA) and its subcontractor team has been awarded a one-year, $15 million contract by the U.S. Army Reserve Component to develop and demonstrate a portion of the Reserve Component Automation System (RCAS), the company said today. Through performance of this initial one-year contract, the Boeing team will be competing for a final contract aimed at enhancing the readiness and mobilization capabilities of the Army National Guard and Army Reserve. The full contract is expected to be awarded at the conclusion of the one-year competitive demonstration period.

Members of the Boeing team are: Atlantic Research Corp. Professional Services Group, Rockville, Md.; CONTEL Federal Systems, Chantilly, Va.; Digicon Corp., Bethesda, Md.; General Research Corporation, Vienna, Va.; Innovative Logistics Technologies, McLean, Va.; The Presidio Corp., Suitland, Md.; Science Applications International Corp., or SAIC, McLean, Va.; and Titan Applications,

Vienna, Va.

The complete RCAS program calls for the winning contractor to provide overall program management over the 12-year life cycle of the program, including integrated logistics support and operations, systems engineering, and procurement of commercial off-the-shelf software and hardware. In addition to supporting the operational user at the unit level, RCAS will provide automated decision support tools for the Reserve Component chain of command. The system will use state-of-the-art office automation, telecommunications, distributed databases and distributed processing capabilities to provide timely and accurate information for administration, as well as planning, preparation and execution of the Reserve Component forces mobilization mission.

RCAS will allow the Army to mobilize the Reserve Component through electronic notification and control. In peacetime, the system will improve routine operational and administrative tasks, such as payroll, training, inventory and operational unit readiness reporting.

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#90271p9617 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines (AMEX: CTA) today announced its customer contingency plans should automatic spending cuts be imposed by the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings deficit reduction law.

"While we hope that the issue is resolved before Monday, or that flight controllers are declared exempt from the cuts, we are prepared to take care of our customers," said Continental's vice president of airport and reservations services, Thomas Kalil.

Continental said it will provide hotels, meals and ground transportation for customers stranded at a point other than their origin or destination.

Continental will allow voluntary changes to a customer's reservation, including restricted tickets, once a service disruption affecting the scheduled itinerary occurs.

Refunds will be offered in cases where a service disruption affects the scheduled itinerary.

Continental will also waive restrictions and penalties for customers wanting to re-book on a later date, if their original itinerary is disrupted.

"This decision affirms Continental's renewed commitment to providing our

customers with the best service, even in extenuating circumstances like this," said Kalil.

In the last 18 months nearly 25,000 Continental employees have completed an intensive 2-day seminar at its Quality Service Institute.

Continental operates nearly 1,400 daily departures worldwide and serves 143 airports, 90 of them in the United States.

CONTACT: Continental Airlines Corporate Communications, 713-834-5080

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#90271p9619 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENLO PARK, CA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Bruce L. Davis, chairman and CEO of Mediagenic (NASDAQ: MGNC) today announced that the company has reached an agreement with Philips Consumer Electronics Company (PCEC), providing for an 18-month postponement in payment of the patent infringement damages awarded earlier this year.

PCEC, a division of North American Philips Corp., and successors to the Magnavox Company, reached an agreement with Mediagenic earlier this year to provide for long term payment on patent infringement damages of $6.6 million awarded in March. The agreement called for monthly payments of $150,000 from July 1990 to Dec. 1993, with a balloon payment on Dec. 31, 1993.

The agreement to defer commencement of monthly payments until Jan. 1, 1992 provides that Mediagenic will make monthly payments during the deferral period only if it has a cumulative positive cash flow from operations reduced by repayment of bank debt.. Under such circumstances, the company will make payments equal to one-third of this cash flow up to $150,000 per month. In consideration for the deferral, Philips will be issued warrants to purchase 500,000 shares of Mediagenic common stock and has the right to convert up to 30 percent of the debt into Mediagenic common stock, both at $2 per share. In the event that Mediagenic sells its subsidiary, ZSoft Corp., Philips would be entitled to a payment against principal of 10 percent of the net sale proceeds or $250,000, whichever is larger.

"Mediagenic has suffered a great deal during the past six months under the weight of the financial burden imposed by the patent damages judgement. The deferral of monthly payments on the damages until 1992 will give us an opportunity to rehabilitate the business," said Davis.

Headquartered in Menlo Park, Mediagenic is an international publisher of entertainment and graphics software for personal computers and Nintendo video game systems. The company publishes its cartridge, floppy-disk and CD-ROM titles under the Activision, Infocom and ZSoft brands and serves as an exclusive distributor for Absolute Entertainment and Interplay Productions.

CONTACT: Michelle M. Bowman of Mediagenic, 415-329-0800, ext. 5024, or 415-795-1521, home

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SAN FRANCISCO (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan Pacific Petroleum Inc. has announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Enim Oil Company Ltd. ("Enim"), has obtained a loan facility of up to $5,000,000 U.S. from Premier Energy Equipment Supplies and Services Co. Ltd. ("Premier") of Hong Kong. The loan is repayable by no later than Aug. 15, 1991 and bears interest at the rate of 1.75 percent per annum above SIBOR. An arrangement fee of $37,500 U.S. has been paid to Premier in connection with the loan. The proceeds from the loan are to be used to finance the development of the Harimau field in Indonesia.

Pan Pacific has guaranteed repayment of the loan. As part of its guarantee Pan Pacific has agreed that, if and only if Enim should default under the loan Premier may elect to convert all or a portion of the amount owing to Premier into common shares of Pan Pacific at the rate of one share for every $8.25 Cdn. of liability, up to a maximum of 700,000 common shares. The exercise of this conversion privilege by Premier is subject to the approval of the Toronto Stock Exchange.

The Harimau No. 6 is now drilling below 7,000 feet and is expected to reach total depth by Monday, Oct. 1. Structurally, this well is about 140 feet high to the nearby Harimau No. 4, which was tested in July at the rate of 3,931 barrels of oil per day from the Batu Raja formation.

The company is prepared to proceed with the pipeline connections for both oil and gas as soon as Pertamina approves the plan of development. It will take about six weeks to obtain delivery and to put in operation the pipelines, tanks and associated equipment; possible delay items could be suitable storage tanks, which cannot be ordered for delivery until approval is obtained.

The $5,000,000 U.S. financing mentioned above will help bridge the Company's funding needs until commencement of production.

CONTACT: Stuart J. Doshi of Pan Pacific Petroleum, (415) 986-7545

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FORT WORTH, TX (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. (AMEX: SBN) today announced that its board of directors has appointed a special committee of independent directors to review a proposal recently announced by Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE: PIR) to acquire through a cash tender offer all the outstanding common stock of the company not already owned by Pier 1. The

Special Committee has retained independent legal counsel and an independent investment banking firm to assist it. The Special Committee expects to make its recommendation to the board of directors of the company as soon as practicable, but not later than Oct. 16, 1990. Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. is the dominant nursery enterprise in six of the 11 largest lawn and garden markets in the United States, with 96 stores that feature nursery stock and lawn and garden supplies. The company's common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "SBN."

CONTACT: Robert L. Broadhead or David O. Martin, 817-738-8111, of Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc.

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SAN JOSE, CA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Solectron Corp. (NASDAQ: SLTN), the nation's second largest independent provider of integrated manufacturing services to electronic original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) announced several executive appointments.

Charles Dickinson, chairman of the board of directors of Solectron, announced the election of Dr. Winston Chen by unanimous vote of the board to the position of the chairman of the board. Chen will retain the position of chief executive officer and Dickinson will continue to serve on the board.

The board of directors also appointed Dr. Koichi "Ko" Nishimura to the position of president and chief operating officer. Nishimura had been chief operating officer of Solectron since December 1988.

Chen and Nishimura simultaneously announced the promotions of Walter "Walt" Wilson and Susan Wang. Wilson was vice president, operations and has been promoted to senior vice president, operations, with broad responsibility for the primary business unit. Wang retains responsibilities as chief financial officer and was given the promotion to senior vice president in recognition of her expanded role in the company's overall management.

Solectron Corp., founded in 1977, recently announced record sales and earnings for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990. Net sales were $204.7 million and net income was $7.4 million which equaled $1.26 per share.

Solectron emphasizes high quality, customized manufacturing services. The company has accumulated a total of 27 quality awards, including eight awarded during fiscal 1990, from customers such as Apple Computer, Conner Peripherals, Exabyte, Hewlett-Packard, IBM, Mitsubishi, Sun Microsystems and Xerox. Solectron employs approximately 2,000 people and is headquartered at 2001 Fortune Dr., San Jose, 95131.

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RICHMOND, VA (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Crestar Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CRFC) announced today the expansion of its Richmond area banking network through the acquisition of two local thrift institutions previously under Federal Government management.

Specifically, Crestar was selected by the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) to assume the deposits and purchase selected assets of the Season Federal Savings Bank and the Security Federal Savings Association.

The combined 13 branches of the two former institutions were closed by the RTC today and will re-open on Monday, October 1, under Crestar management. Services to customers will continue without interruption at existing locations.

"This move underscores Crestar's capacity to take advantage of the opportunities presented by a changing financial services environment," noted Richard G. Tilghman, Crestar Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "It also reflects our strategic priority of focusing on local markets and, in particular, enhances our position in the Richmond area."

The acquisition brings to Crestar a total of $302 million in deposits plus the opportunity to select from the two former thrifts those loans and other assets -- including branches -- which are compatible with the bank's business goals and financial standards.

The re-opening of the former thrift institution branches October 1 marks the beginning of a transition period of approximately 120 days. During that period Crestar said it expects to finalize plans for integrating selected facilities and operations of the former institutions into its own business. Pending completion of the transition period, virtually all 115 employees of the two former institutions have been provided temporary employment with Crestar.

Seasons, with deposits of $124 million at July 31, 1990, had four branches in the Richmond area and had been operated by the RTC since October 1989. Security, with eight branches in Richmond and one in Ashland, had $178 million in deposits and had been operated by the RTC since March 1990. Crestar currently has 38 branches in its Capital Region which includes Richmond and surrounding areas.

With $12.2 billion in assets, Crestar Financial Corporation is the holding company for three banks operating in Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia which have a total of 257 branches. Other subsidiaries provide insurance, brokerage, mortgage banking, leasing and investment advisory services.

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#90271p9648 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Lozano Enterprises announced today that a partnership transaction with The Times Mirror Company has been finalized. Times Mirror has purchased a 50 percent interest in Lozano Enterprises, owners of the nation's largest Spanish-language daily newspaper, La Opinion, and El Eco del Valle, a weekly tabloid distributed in the San Fernando Valley. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

La Opinion has an audited circulation of 101,873. The Lozano family has published the newspaper for 64 years. El Eco del Valle has been in publication since 1987 and serves approximately 71,000 readers.

Times Mirror (NYSE, PSE: TMC), a Los Angeles-based media and information company, publishes the Los Angeles Times, Newsday, and New York Newsday, the Baltimore Sun newspapers, the Hartford Courant, the Morning Call, The (Stamford) Advocate and Greenwich Time. The company also has interests in broadcast and cable television and book, magazine and other publishing.

"We're very pleased to be making the formal announcement of completion," stated La Opinion's publisher, Jose I. Lozano. "As I said before, this partnership will enable us to expand and improve our service to the Los Angeles Hispanic community."

CONTACT: Carol Starcevic of La Opinion, 213-896-2020; or Suzanne Hovdey of Times Mirror, 213-237-3727

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FAIRMONT, W.V. (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Electronic Control Systems Inc. ("ECS") announced today that its board of directors has approved acceptance of a merger proposal made by Control Techniques ("CT") of the United Kingdom. The proposal would be at a per share price of $2.43 subject to a downward adjustment for expenses not to exceed five cents per share. The merger proposal requires, among other conditions, approval by the shareholder of ECS. A special meeting of ECS shareholders is expected to be held before the end of this year.

Certain shareholders (and related interests) who are directors and officers of ECS have entered into Option Agreements with CT giving CT the right to purchase their shares (which represent approximately 49 percent of outstanding shares of ECS on a fully diluted basis) for $2.43 per share. The options

expire on March 31, 1991 (unless the merger agreement is terminated earlier). The option agreements require those shareholders to vote in favor of the merger. Michael Basile of ECS said that CT required these shareholders to enter into the option agreements as a precondition of CT's willingness to consider an overall merger proposal for ECS.

CT has said that "the acquisition of ECS would be our first move into the USA market for Control Techniques' process control division. The geographical and product fit is excellent and provides exciting future prospects. It would be our intention to continue to operate the company from its Fairmont location, and to expand the business."

CT has also agreed that in the event that it exercises its option or acquires ECS in a merger, it will enter into a one-year consulting agreement with Basile and Leo F. Modi, secretary/treasury of ECS, two founders of ECS. The consulting agreements provide for such individuals to give advice in connection with the management of ECS.

Basile said that he felt a merger with CT was in the interests of all of the shareholders and that having CT involved in the business of ECS would be in the best interest of the company and its employees because of the size and business operations of CT.

CT is a manufacturer of motion control, process control and automation products, having subsidiary companies in the United States, Europe and the Far East.

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#90271p9661 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL. (SEPT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Barnett Banks, Inc. (NYSE: BBI) has purchased the Florida division of Empire Savings Bank of America from the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The division consists of more than $800 million in deposits in 20 offices located in seven counties.

Empire's Florida division has six offices in Volusia County, six in Pinellas, four in Alachua, and one each in Columbia, Hillsborough, Lake and Seminole counties.

Empire had the largest savings and loan deposit base in Gainesville. Its acquisition will widen Barnett's market lead in that important market. In Lake County, Barnett moves from number two to number one in its share of deposits. The acquisition also substantially strengthens Barnett's lead in Volusia County.

"We look forward to welcoming Empire's customers to the Barnett family," said Charles E. Rice, Barnett chairman and chief executive officer. "We think they will enjoy our high level of service and the convenience of having more offices to do business."

The Empire branches will reopen as Barnett Bank offices on Monday. All Empire customers at these locations become Barnett customers. They will continue to use their Empire checks and savings passbooks.

Empire had about $6.4 billion in deposits distributed in divisions in Buffalo -- where it is based -- eastern New York, Michigan, Texas and Florida. Other acquirors obtained the divisions outside of Florida.

Under its agreement with the RTC, Barnett acquired the $800 million in deposits and puchased about $3 million in share loans for a premium of $3.1 million. Share loans are fully backed by the borrower's deposits in the bank. Except for some facilities, Barnett will receive substantially all cash assets in this transaction. Barnett was not given the option of acquiring other loans.

Empire's Florida division employs about 150 people. Barnett is reviewing all of Empire's 20 offices to see which may be redundant to existing Barnett locations. Empire employees are being encouraged to apply for jobs in the Barnett system, and Barnett anticipates most will be provided full-time employment.

This is the seventh acquisition of a failed financial institution by Barnett this year, continuing a tradition that goes back to the Great Depression when Barnett rescued banks in DeLand, St. Augustine and Cocoa. The failed institutions acquired this year had a total of almost $3 billion in deposits.

"We think this is a cost-effective way for Barnett to expand its business while helping the government solve the savings and loan crisis," Rice said. "Barnett's strong capital base has allowed it the flexibility to bid for these franchises."

Barnett has more than $1.6 billion in stockholders' equity. Approvals for Barnett's three state-chartered and four nationally chartered banks to take over the Empire deposits were obtained from the Florida Department of Banking and Finance, the U.S. Comptroller of the Currency, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Office of Thrift Supervision as well as the Resolution Trust Corporation.

With $31 billion in assets and 592 offices, in Florida and Georgia, Barnett is Florida's leading banking company and the 20th largest in the country. Its common stock (BBI) is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Bob Stickler, 904-791-5437 (office), or 904-396-9284 (home); or Russ Hoadley, 904-791-5013 (office), or 904-260-4658, (home), both of Barnett Banks Inc.

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#90271p9662 09/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT, (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Comerica Bank-Detroit, in a transaction assisted by the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC), has acquired approximately $1 billion in deposits and some assets of the Michigan Division of Empire Federal Savings Bank of America. Comerica will pay a premium of $31 million to the RTC in the transaction.

Empire has 18 branches in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. The offices were closed by bank regulators on Friday, Sept. 28, and will reopen Monday, Oct. 1, as branch offices of Comerica Bank- Detroit.

"This move continues Comerica's emphasis on expanding in Michigan, our primary banking market," said Comerica Incorporated Chairman President and Chief Executive Officer Eugene A. Miller. "It offers a low-cost means of significantly expanding our deposit base in metro Detroit."

Miller added that, "We look forward to offering Empire customers Comerica's high-quality financial services to meet all of their banking needs."

Comerica Incorporated (OTC: CMCA) is a $12.2 billion bank holding company headquartered in Detroit. The corporation operates full- service banks in Michigan, Texas and Florida and plans to establish full-service banking in California in early 1991.

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KISHINEV (SEPT 28) TASS - THE INTRANQUIL ATMOSPHERE HAS BEEN PREVAILING ON THE SOVIET-ROMANIAN SECTION OF THE STATE BORDER EVER SINCE THE DAY IN MAY WHEN ABOUT 200,000 SOVIET AND ROMANIAN PEOPLE MET FOR THE "FLOWER BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER PRUT" FESTIVAL.

THE FESTIVAL WAS PROMPTED BY A DESIRE OF THE TWO PEOPLES TO STRENGTHEN GOOD-NEIGHBOURLY RELATIONS, DEVELOP CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC CONTACTS AND LIVE IN PEACE AND ACCORD.

BUT NOT ALL PARTICIPANTS BROUGHT WITH THEM FLOWERS AND SOUVENIRS. SOME TRIED TO STRIKE SMUGGLING DEALS.

AS OF TODAY, THERE HAVE BEEN MORE THAN 300 VIOLATIONS OF THE BORDER REGIME BY BOTH SOVIET AND ROMANIAN PEOPLE. IN GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALLY, SMUGGLERS CROSS THE WATERWAY, SMUGGLING ELECTRICAL GOODS, HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES, GAS CONTAINERS AND FOOD TO ROMANIA, AND BATCHES OF GARMENTS, OBVIOUSLY INTENDED FOR PROFITEERING, INTO THE SOVIET UNION.

ALL THIS HAPPENS AGAINST A BACKGROUND OF THE SHARP DECLINE IN THE PARTICIPATION OF LOCAL POPULATION IN THE PROTECTION OF THE STATE BORDER. THE PRINCIPLE WHICH WAS ONCE RECKONED IMMUTABLE, NAMELY, THAT THE SOVIET BORDER IS PROTECTED BY ALL SOVIET PEOPLES HAS CEASED TO BE TRUE.

COMMENTING ON THE DEVELOPMENTS ON THE SOVIET-ROMANIAN SECTION OF THE STATE BORDER, LIEUTENANT GENERAL V. GUBENKO, COMMANDER OF THE TROOPS OF THE WESTERN BORDER DISTRICT, TOLD TASS AS FOLLOWS:

"WHAT NOW TAKES PLACE HERE IS AN ILLUSTRATION OF THE LOW EFFECTIVENESS OF THE LAW 'ON THE STATE BORDER OF THE USSR'. IT JUST DOES NOT WORK IN THE CURRENT SITUATION. LEGAL ACTS, IN THE OBSERVANCE OF WHICH PRIMARILY THE RESIDENTS OF BORDER AREAS WOULD BE INTERESTED, ARE NECESSARY.

"TOGETHER WITH A GROUP OF OFFICERS FROM THE DISTRICT, WE MET MOST OF REPRGSENTATIVES OF LOCAL COUNCILS IN BORDER AREAS, DIRECTORS OF FARMS AND RESIDENTS. WE JOINTLY DETERMINED MATTERS WHICH MUST BE WORKED OUT: TO BEGIN WITH, A BORDER CROSSING PROCEDURE FOR PEOPLE FROM BORDER AREAS SHOULD BE STREAMLINED.

"WITH THIS END IN VIEW, WE SHOULD HAVE AN ADDITIONAL NUMBER OF CHECKPOINTS, CAPABLE OF QUICKLY AND AT ANY TIME CHECKING THE IDENTITY PAPERS OF BOTH SOVIET AND ROMANIAN PEOPLE CROSSING THE BORDER FOR REUNIONS WITH RELATIVES AND OR BY INVITATION.

"MOLDAVIAN PRESIDENT MIRCHA SNEGUR REGARDED WITH UNDERSTANDING OUR PROBLEMS WHEN I TOLD HIM ABOUT THE SITUATION AT THE SOVIET-ROMANIAN SECTION OF THE STATE BORDER.

"HE POINTED OUT IN PARTICULAR THAT THE PROCESS OF DEMOCRATISING THE BORDER REGIME SHOULD BE DEVELOPED FURTHER. FIRST OF ALL, THE STATE OF AFFAIRS AT THE BORDER SHOULD BE PUT IN ORDER, HE SAID. ADDITIONAL LEGAL ACTS, THE DRAFTING OF WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN STARTED, ARE ESSENTIAL FOR THAT," GUBENKO SAID.

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MOSCOW (SEPT 28) TASS - PRESIDENT OF THE MOJAHEDEEN TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT SIBGHATULLAH MOJADDEDI WILL NOMINATE A DELEGATION FOR TALKS IN MOSCOW, RUSSIAN PEOPLE'S DEPUTY IONA ANDRONOV TOLD SOVIET TELEVISION TODAY.

ANDRONOV MEDIATES THE RELEASE OF SOVIET SOLDIERS BETWEEN THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT AND AFGHAN REBELS.

RUSSIAN PRESIDENT BORIS YELTSIN RECENTLY INVITED SEVERAL AFGHAN REBEL LEADERS TO VISIT THE SOVIET UNION. THE INVITATION WAS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED, ANDRONOV SAID.

THE SIDES WILL DISCUSS THE RETURN OF SOVIET P.O.W.S AND OTHER ISSUES.

MORE THAN 300 SOVIET SOLDIERS ARE KEPT PRISONER BY AFGHAN REBELS, ACCORDING TO THE SOVIET DEFENCE MINISTRY.

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MOSCOW (SEPT 29) TASS - A DEMONSTRATION AND A WARNING POLITICAL STRIKE HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 30 AND OCTOBER 1 IN KIEV, ACCORDING TO FRIDAY'S IZVESTIA NEWSPAPER.

THE SITUATION IN THE UKRAINE IS COMPLEX WITH PEOPLE ANNOYED BY FOOD SHORTAGES DESPITE THIS YEAR'S BUMPER HARVEST, THE NEWSPAPER WRITES.

THE REPUBLIC HAS BANNED THE EXPORT OF FOOD TO OTHER REGIONS WITH HIGHER PROCUREMENT PRICES, SETTING UP POLICE PATROLS IN 64 MAJOR TRANSPORT CENTRES.

THE ABSENCE OF BASIC GOODS IS THE MAJOR IRRITANT, IZVESTIA WRITES. THE UKRAINE IS NOW COMPLETING WORK ON ITS OWN PROGRAMME FOR THE TRANSITION TO A MARKET, WHICH DIFFERS FROM SHATALIN'S PROGRAMME AND RYZHKOV'S PLAN.

THE REPUBLIC WANTS TO HAVE CONTROL OVER PRICES, TAXES, PRIVILEGES AND FINANCES. THE PROGRAMME WILL SOON BE SUBMITTED BEFORE THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT.

THE KIEV CITY COUNCIL HAS GIVEN THE GO-AHEAD FOR A RALLY IN THE CITY ON SEPTEMBER 30. THE SITUATION WITH THE DEMONSTRATION IS UNCLEAR SINCE NO ONE HAS FILED A REQUEST TO HOLD IT, THE NEWSPAPER WRITES.

NEW ARRIVALS IN THE CITY HAVE PROMPTED LOCAL MILITIA TO ASK FOR REINFORCEMENTS.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Pittsburgh	91	65	.583	-	49-30	42-35	7-3	W-4
New York	88	68	.564	3	51-27	37-41	5-5	W-3
Montreal	81	75	.519	10	43-32	38-43	3-7	L-7

Chicago	73	83	.468	18	39-42	34-41	3-7	L-3
Philadel.	74	82	.474	17	40-38	34-44	8-2	W-1
St. Louis	70	86	.449	21	34-44	36-42	3-7	L-1
West								
Cincinnati	89	67	.571	-	44-31	45-36	7-3	W-2
Los Angeles	84	72	.538	5	45-33	39-39	7-3	L-1
San Fran.	81	75	.519	8	45-29	36-45	6-4	W-4
San Diego	71	85	.455	18	37-44	34-41	2-8	L-8
Houston	71	85	.455	18	46-32	25-53	4-6	W-1
Atlanta	63	93	.404	26	37-43	26-50	3-7	L-2

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - PENNANT RACE AT A GLANCE

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	91	65	.583	-
New York	88	68	.564	3

Games Remaining

Pittsburgh (6) - Home (3): New York (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (3): St. Louis (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30.

New York (6) - Home (3): Chicago (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30. Away (3): Pittsburgh (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3.

West

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	89	67	.571	-
Los Angeles	84	72	.538	5

Games Remaining

Cincinnati (6) - Home (6): San Diego (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30; Houston (3) Oct. 1 2, 3.

Los Angeles (6) - Home (3): San Diego (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (3): San Francisco (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	84	72	.538	-
Boston	84	72	.538	-

Games Remaining
Toronto (6) - Away (6): Boston (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30; Baltimore (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3.

Boston (6) - Home (6): Toronto (3) Sept. 28, 29, 30; Chicago (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR:

BASEBALL

American League

Toronto at Boston, 7:35 p.m.

Baltimore at Cleveland, 7:35 p.m.

Minnesota at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.

Seattle at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.

New York at Milwaukee, 8:35 p.m.

Oakland at Texas, 8:35 p.m.

Kansas City at California, 10:35 p.m.

National League

Chicago at New York, 7:35 p.m.

Philadelphia at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.

San Diego at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.

Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.

Atlanta at Houston, 8:35 p.m.

Los Angeles at San Francisco, 10:35 p.m.

GAMES

Beijing - Asian Games

GOLF

Columbus, Ga. - PGA $600,000 Southern Open

Sugar Land, Texas - LPGA $400,000 Breathless Houston Championship

TENNIS

Basel, Switzerland - $500,000 Swiss Indoors

Brisbane, Australia - $280,000 Queensland Open.

Estoril, Portugal - $100,000 Estoril Open

Leipzig, East Germany - $225,000 Volkswagen Open

Palermo, Sicily - $350,000 International Championsips of Sicily

Tokyo - $350,000 Nicherei International Championships

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(SEPT. 28) - THURSDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS:

BASEBALL

Chicago (AL) - Claimed outfielder Deion Sanders on unconditional waivers from the New York Yankees.

San Diego - Named Ken Bracey to scouting staff.

New York-Penn League (A) - Re-elected president Leo Pinckney to 2-year term.

Texas - Mike Stone resigned as president and chief operating officer effective Nov. 30.

Basketball

Houston - Traded center Tim McCormick and guard John Lucas to Atlanta for guards Kenny Smith and Roy Marble.

LA Clippers - Signed free-agent forward Cedric Ball.

Miami - Signed guard Willie Burton to a 5- year contract.

San Jose (CBA) - Acquired guard Jay Burson.

Seattle - Renounced rights to guard Jim Farmer, allowing him to join the

Denver Nuggets.

Sioux Falls (CBA) - Signed guard Frank Ross; named Norman Stone trainer.

Football

Buffalo - Signed cornerback Kim Phillips.

Detroit - Signed defensive end Jackie Cline; placed defensive end Marc Spindler on injured reserve.

New England - Placed linebacker Richard Tardits on injured reserve; re-signed linebacker Ilia Jarostchuk.

Phoenix - Signed running back Terrence Flager and linebacker Jeroy Robinson; placed running back Ron Wolfley on injured reserve; waived linebacker David Bavaro.

San Diego - Signed defensive back Michael Brooks; placed nose tackle Joe Phillips on the reserve non-football injury list.

San Francisco - Re-signed cornerback Kevin Lewis; placed defensive lineman Pete Kugler on injured reserve.

Hockey

Los Angeles - Returned defenseman Darryl Sydor to Kamloops of the Western Hockey League and defenseman Brent Thompson to Medicine Hat of the WHL.

Minnesota - Released goaltender Michelle Vailliere and defenseman Paul Marshall; sent center Warren Babe and defenseman Dan Keczmer to Kalamazoo of the International League.

NHL - Suspended Edmonton goaltender Grant Furh one year; fined Minnesota $10, 000 and suspended defenseman Mark Tinordi for the first 10 games of the regular season.

St. Louis - Sent forwards Tony Twist and Jason Ruff to Peoria of the International Hockey League.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - Negotiators taking part in the bipartisan budget reduction talks are still meeting at this hour in Washington. Sources say Democrats have proposed a new tax plan that would hit the richest taxpayers the hardest. It reportedly would bring in enough money during five years to offset the cost of a Republican plan to cut capital gains taxes. Sources also said changes in

Social Security are being considered. One G-O-P plan would freeze annual cost-of-living adjustments for three months or more. A second, Democratic plan would raise taxes on wealthier recipients.

After years of bargaining and setbacks, a U-S-Soviet agreement limiting conventional military forces in Europe may soon be reality. Officials say the two nations are on the edge of a breakthrough following Thursday's talks between Secretary of State Baker and his Soviet counterpart in New York. The treaty would limit men, aircraft, helicopters and armored vehicles based in Europe. The cuts would be at least 50 percent in each category.

A Philippine general and 15 other soldiers were convicted and sentenced to life in prison Friday in the 1983 assassination of opposition leader Benigno Aquino. The verdict comes on the one-year anniversary of the death of former President Marcos in exile in Honolulu. It was Aquino's murder that sparked widespread protests... leading to the 1986 overthrow of Marcos and bringing Aquino's wife, Corazon, to power. .

Radio reports and officials in the southern Phillipine port city of Davao say one person was killed Friday when gunfire erupted inside the house of a Cabinet secretary. The official was UNhurt. Further details are NOT available. It's also NOT known if the shooting was an assassination attempt.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - A House Judiciary subcommittee heard testimony Thursday on legislation that would make it a federal crime to abduct children to foreign countries. There currently are four separate House and Senate bills calling for stiffer prison terms and fines for the kidnappers... usually foreign-born ex-spouses of Americans who nab their own kids. A Justice Department official calls the move a ''well-intentioned, but largely empty gesture.''

Some Polish municipal authorities are trying to do away with a symbol of the Communist past. They want to move the graves of Soviet soldiers killed in Poland while fighting Nazi Germany to less prominent spots. The idea, however, is opposed by Solidarity founder and presidential candidate Lech Walesa. He says Polish national tradition and Christian values call for respect for the dead soldiers... regardless of their uniform.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (SEPT. 28) UPI - The Vietnamese-backed government of Cambodia has made its third set of cabinet changes in two months and suspended two provincial Communist Party official for investigation, official Phnom Penh radio reported.

The radio, in a broadcast Thursday night, said Trade Minister Tang Saroem had been retired and replaced by Lt. Gen. Nhim Vanda, who retains his post as deputy defense minister. Nhim Vanda is a tough one-armed military man who has been in charge of building the defense line along the Thai-Cambodian border. He has also served as deputy planning minister.

The report said nine other senior party and government officials were transfered in a shakeup intended ''to enhance the efficiency of the party-state leadership.''

The Communist Party secretary and deputy secretary of Mondolkiri province, identified as Li Son and Chan Yoeun, were ''suspended from duty for investigation,'' it said.

The report did not mention the cause of the investigation, but the party has already suspended a number of other officials in a crackdown on official corruption. Security officials have also arrested at least six senior government officials for planning to set up their own political party.

The shakeup was the third cabinet-level change in two months. Only last week, Prime Minister Hun Sen gave up the foreign ministry portfolio to Hor Nam Hong, a minister attached to his office. And in August, the arrest of the transport minister sparked a set of cabinet changes.

The government in Phnom Penh was set up in January 1979 by invading Vietnamese troops, who ousted a bloody Khmer Rouge regime. Phnom Penh is still fighting a guerrilla war against a three-part resistance coalition.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - The Emir of Kuwait appealed to the United Nations Thursday to help liberate his country, which was invaded and occupied August 2nd by Iraq. Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmad Al-Sabahreceived a standing ovation from the more than two-thousand delegates at the annual session of the General Assembly. But Iraq's delegation walked out.

Former Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega met with an aide to the current president and the U-S ambassador in Managua Thursday to discuss the situation in the Central American country. Ortega says Nicaragua needs a new economic program after its nine-year civil war between the Sandinista government and the U-S-backed Contras. He warns of social unrest if the country's situation does NOT improve.

Canadian Prime Minister Mulroney moved Thursday to expand the Senate and appointed eight new Conservative senators to the Liberal-dominated chamber. Mulroney's moves- UNprecedented in Canadian political history- were aimed at passing a seven-percent Goods and Services Tax. Liberal senators had

threatened to kill the proposal, which earlier was passed by the lower house of Parliament.

Agents from the Drug Enforcement Agency raided a Midtown apartment in New York Thursday afternoon... seizing 440 pounds of cocaine with an estimated street value of 107-Million dollars. Authorities say the apartment... on West 56th Street... may have served as a safehouse for Colombia's notorious Cali drug cartel. Two men were arrested.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - A jury was seated Thursday and opening statements are expected to begin Friday in Cincinnati in the obscenity trial of the Contemporary Arts Center and its director. The charges stem from an exhibit this past spring of photographs by the late Robert Mapplethorpe. The case is believed by lawyers to be the first time an arts institution has been charged with obscenity.

A trip to the emergency room proved to be a detour to jail for a suspected rapist in Texas. Police say they took a rape victim to a Dallas hospital for treatment... and when she looked across the hallway, she saw her alleged assailant. Police say the suspect had driven to the hospital in the victim's car to be treated for cuts he received as the woman struggled to get away.

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#90271u0233 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - Even though they're sputtering down the stretch, the Cincinnati Reds are two games away from making baseball history.

The Reds, with a magic number of two, are attempting to become the first National League team ever to hold first place from wire-to-wire. They can accomplish the feat Friday night if they defeat San Diego and second-place Los Angeles loses to San Francisco.

''It's right around the corner,'' said Glenn Braggs, who slammed a two-run homer to pace Cincinnati's 4-2 win over Atlanta Thursday night. ''We know it can happen Friday. We hope it will happen Friday.''

''We smell it now,'' said Tom Browning, 15-9, who permitted seven hits over seven innings to get Thursday night's win. ''We're feeling very comfortable.''

The only cautious soul in the Reds' clubhouse was manager Lou Piniella.

''It's down to two, but we still have work to do,'' said Piniella. ''It's not over yet.''

Piniella's caution may be justified. Over the course of the season, the once red-hot Reds have cooled considerably. After opening the campaign with nine straight victories and a 26-9 mark through the first 35 games, the Reds fell back to earth. Cincinnati has held healthy margins, but its NL-West rivals began to win more often then they did.

These days, Cincinnati plans to close out the season roughly around the .500 mark. The Reds are just 12-12 since Sept. 3.

The only other team to lead from beginning to end in a 162-game season was Detroit in 1984. The only clubs to be in first place every day of a 154-game season were the 1923 New York Giants and 1927 New York Yankees.

Piniella was a little uneasy after getting a scare in the sixth inning when star outfielder Eric Davis crashed hard into the wall after making a catch. Davis remained in the game another half-inning, but began protecting his left shoulder and left the game in the seventh.

''I think it's just a little bruise,'' Davis said after the game. ''At least, I hope it's nothing more than just a bruise. It began stiffening up tonight and we'll see how it is tomorrow.''

Reds spokesman Jim Ferguson said Davis will be examined when he arrives at the ballpark Friday, but said he doubted X-rays would be required.

''It hurts, but I didn't hear anything pop so I don't think anything was broken or separated,'' said Davis. ''Hopefully, everything will be all right tomorrow, and hopefully, the magic number will be over with tomorrow.''

-- AROUND THE NL --

In other National League games: Pittsburgh trimmed Chicago 3-2, New York slapped Montreal 6-0 and Philadelphia edged St. Louis 4-3.

Pirates 3, Cubs 2

At Pittsburgh, rookie Randy Tomlin scattered five hits over seven innings and Bobby Bonilla and Sid Bream both doubled in the sixth inning for the winning run, keeping the Pirates three games ahead of New York. Pittsburgh cut its magic number to four. Tomlin improved to 4-4 and Vincente Palacios earned his third save. Mike Bielecki, 7-11, took the loss.

Mets 6, Expos 0

At Montreal, Daryl Boston hit a three-run homer to spark New York, sending the Expos to their seventh loss in a row. Ron Darling, 7-9, allowed four hits over five innings. Kevin Gross, 8-12, suffered the loss.

Phillies 4, Cardinals 3

At Philadelphia, John Kruk doubled home two runs to lead the Phillies past the Cardinals. Kruk's double fueled a three-run second inning off starter Jose DeLeon, 7-19, who lost his seventh straight start. Tommy Greene, 3-2, gave up six hits and two runs in seven innings.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Toronto	84	72	.538	-	44-37	40-35	6-4	L-2
Boston	84	72	.538	-	47-29	36-44	4-6	W-2
Detroit	75	81	.481	9	36-42	38-40	6-4	L-3
Cleveland	74	83	.471	10 1/2	39-38	35-44	7-3	L-2
Baltimore	72	83	.465	11 1/2	38-39	34-44	7-3	W-1
Milwaukee	71	85	.455	13	36-39	35-46	2-8	L-1
New York	64	92	.410	20	36-41	28-51	4-6	W-2
West								
x-Oakland	99	57	.635	-	50-28	49-29	5-5	L-1
Chicago	91	65	.583	8	47-30	44-35	7-3	W-2
Texas	82	74	.526	17	47-32	35-42	5-5	W-2
California	78	78	.500	21	42-36	36-42	4-6	W-1
Seattle	75	81	.481	24	39-43	36-38	4-6	W-1
Kansas City	72	84	.462	27	45-36	27-48	4-6	L-3
Minnesota	71	85	.455	28	39-39	32-46	5-5	L-1

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi
JoReed 2b	3	0	1	0	Phillips 2b	4	0	1	0
Quintana 1b	4	1	1	0	Shelby lf	4	0	0	0
Evans dh	3	1	1	0	Fielder 1b	3	2	1	1
Burks cf	4	1	1	0	Ward dh	3	0	1	0
Greenwell lf	4	0	1	2	Bergman ph	0	0	0	0
Brunnsky rf	1	0	0	1	Lemon rf	3	0	1	1
Pena c	3	0	0	0	Sheets rf	1	0	0	0
Rivera ss	3	0	0	0	Fryman ss	4	0	1	0
Kutcher 3b	3	0	0	0	Heath c	3	0	0	0
					Salas ph	1	0	0	0
					Coles 3b	3	0	0	0

					Trammell ph	1	0	0	0
					Cuyler cf	0	0	0	0
					Moseby cf	4	0	1	0
Totals	28	3	5	3	Totals	34	2	6	2

Boston	000	300	000-	3
Detroit	000	001	010-	2

E-Rivera. DP-Detroit 1. LOB-Boston 2, Detroit 7. 2B-Evans, Greenwell. HR-Fielder (49). CS-Brunansky, JoReed. SF- Brunansky.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Bolton (W 10-5)	7	4	1	0	1	5
Lamp	2-3	1	1	1	0	0
Murphy	0	0	0	0	1	0
Gray	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Reardon (S 19)	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Detroit						
Searcy (L 2-7)	3 2-3	5	3	3	2	2
Parker	4 1-3	0	0	0	0	2
Henneman	1	0	0	0	0	0

Murphy Pitched To 1 Batter In The 8th.

PB-Pena. HBP-JoReed By Parker.

Umpires-Home, Johnson; 1b, Voltaggio; 2b, Evans; 3b, Kaiser.

T-2:41. A-13,247.

BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Finley rf	5	0	2	1	Cole cf	4	1	1	0
Anderson lf	5	0	1	0	Fermin ss	4	0	0	0
CRipken ss	3	0	1	0	Baerga 2b	4	0	2	1
Horn dh	3	0	0	0	Maldonad dh	4	0	1	0
McKnight dh	2	0	0	0	Ward rf	1	0	0	0
Segui 1b	5	1	2	0	Webster lf	3	0	0	0
Tettleton c	4	2	2	0	Jacoby 3b	4	1	2	0
Devereax cf	5	1	2	1	Manto 1b	3	0	1	0
Gomez 3b	4	1	2	1	Skinner c	3	1	2	1
BRipken 2b	4	0	1	2	Alomar ph	1	0	1	1
					Jefferson rf	4	0	1	0
Totals	40	5	13	5	Totals	35	3	11	3

Baltimore	001	030	010-	5
Cleveland	100	000	101-	3

E-D Johnson, Baerga. DP-Baltimore 2, Cleveland 1. LOB-Baltimore 11, Cleveland 7. 2B-Jacoby, Tettleton, Manto. HR-Devereaux (11), Skinner (2). SB-Cole (37), Finley 2 (22), C Ripken (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
Johnson (W 13-8)	8	8	2	2	2	3
Olson (S 35)	1	3	1	1	0	2
Cleveland						
Farrell (L 4-5)	4 1-3	7	4	4	0	4
Valdez	2	3	0	0	2	2
Ward	2-3	2	1	1	0	1
Olin	2	1	0	0	1	2

Ward pitched to two batters in the 8th.

Umpires-Home, Kosc; 1b, Morrison; 2b, Roe; 3b, L Barnett.

T-3:02. A-4,794.

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Gantner 2b	4	1	3	1	Calderon lf	3	0	0	1
Spiers ss	4	0	1	1	Johnson cf	4	0	1	0
Yount cf	3	0	0	0	Fisk dh	3	1	1	0
Parker dh	4	0	0	0	McCray pr	0	0	0	0
Vaughn lf	3	1	0	0	Thomas 1b	3	2	2	1
Surhoff c	4	0	0	0	Sosa rf	4	0	1	1
Deer rf	4	1	1	0	Karkovice c	4	1	1	0
Canale 1b	3	1	0	0	Ventura 3b	3	1	1	0
Sveum 3b	3	0	2	2	Fletcher 2b	3	1	1	1
					Guillen ss	4	0	0	1
Totals	32	4	7	4	Totals	31	6	8	5

Milwaukee	130	000	000-	4
Chicago	221	001	00x-	6

E-Deer. DP-Chicago 1. LOB-Milwaukee 4, Chicago 7. 2B-Sosa, Sveum 2. 3B-Gantner. HR-Thomas (6). SB-Gantner (18). SF-Calderon.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Milwaukee						

Brown	1	2-3	3	4	3	3	0
Edens (L 4-4)	3	1-3	4	2	2	1	2
Mirabella		1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Machado	2	2-3	1	0	0	1	2
Chicago							
Perez	1	1-3	4	4	4	2	2
Edwards (W 5-3)	5	2-3	3	0	0	1	3
Jones		1	0	0	0	0	1
Thigpen (S 55)		1	0	0	0	0	1

Edens pitched to three batters in the sixth.

WP-Brown.

Umpires-Home, Cooney; 1b, Reed; 2b, Cousins; 3b, Brinkman.

T-2:47. A-29,818.

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
RHendrsn lf	5	1	2	3	Pettis cf	4	0	0	0
McGee cf	4	0	0	0	Belcher cf	1	0	0	0
Lewis cf	0	1	0	0	Franco 2b	1	2	0	0
McGwire 1b	4	0	0	0	Kunkel 2b	1	0	0	0
Bordick ss	0	0	0	0	Palmeiro 1b	4	1	2	1
Quirk ph	1	1	1	2	Sierra rf	4	1	1	3
Baines dh	2	1	0	0	Daughrty dh	4	1	1	2
Canseco rf	3	0	1	0	Incaviglia lf	4	1	1	1
Howitt 3b	1	0	0	0	Petralli c	2	0	0	0
DHendrsn ph	1	0	0	0	Haselman ph	1	0	1	0
Lansford 3b	3	0	1	0	Kreuter c	0	0	0	0
Blnknshp 3b	0	0	0	0	Coolbagh 3b	4	0	0	0
Hassey 1b	1	0	0	0	Green ss	3	2	2	0
Steinbach c	4	0	1	1					
Afenir c	0	0	0	0					
Weiss ss	3	1	0	0					
Jennings rf	0	0	0	0					
Gallego 2b	4	1	2	0					
Totals	36	6	8	6	Totals	33	8	8	7

Oakland	010	000	302-	6
Texas	520	100	00x-	8

E-McGwire, Franco. DP-Texas 1. LOB- Oakland 8, Texas 6. 2B-R Henderson. 3B-Palmeiro. HR-Daugherty (6), Incaviglia (24), R Henderson (28), Quirk (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Sanderson (L 17-11)	3	6	8	7	2	3
Chitren	3	1	0	0	2	4
Nelson	1	0	0	0	0	1
Klink	1	1	0	0	1	1
Texas						
Chiamparino (W 1-2)	7	7	4	3	3	5
Arnsberg	1 1-3	1	2	2	1	1
Jeffcoat	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Russell (S 9)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Sanderson pitched to one batter in the fourth.

WP-Chitren. PB-Afenir. HBP-Jennings By Arnsberg.

Umpires-Home, Palermo; 1b, Reilly; 2b, Garcia; 3b, Hendry.

T-2:46. A-16,857.

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
Thurman rf	5	0	0	0	Polonia lf	4	0	0	0
FWhite rf	0	0	0	0	Venable lf	0	0	0	0
Seitzer 3b	3	1	1	0	Ray 2b	4	1	1	3
Brett 1b	3	1	1	3	Downing dh	4	1	1	1
Perry ph	1	0	0	0	Winfield rf	4	0	0	0
Conine 1b	0	0	0	0	Stevens 1b	4	0	2	0
Jackson lf	3	1	1	0	Disarcina pr	0	1	0	0
Tartabull dh	4	1	1	0	Parrish c	4	1	2	2
Berry 3b	2	0	0	0	Coachmn pr	0	1	0	0
Wilson ph	0	1	0	0	Howell 3b	4	0	1	0
Stillwell ss	0	0	0	0	Schofield ss	3	1	1	0
Pecota ss	3	0	0	0	DWhite cf	3	1	2	1
Eisenrech ph	0	0	0	0					
Macfarlan c	0	0	0	0					
Boone c	3	0	2	1					
Schulz ph	1	0	0	0					
Jeltz 2b	0	0	0	0					
McRae cf	4	1	2	2					
Totals	32	6	8	6	Totals	34	7	10	7

One out when winning run scored.

Kansas City	000	003	102-	6
California	100	000	042-	7

E-Howell, D White. DP-Kansas City 1, California 1. LOB-Kansas City 4, California 4. 2B-Jackson, Tartabull, Stevens. HR- Downing (14), Brett (14), Parrish (23), Ray (5). SB-D White (20), Jackson (15).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Wagner	8	6	5	5	1	7
Montgomery (L 6-5)	1-3	4	2	2	1	1
California						
J Abbott	6 1-3	7	4	4	2	4
Eichhorn	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Harvey (W 4-4)	1	1	2	2	3	3

PB-Parrish 2.

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, McCoy; 2b, Scott; 3b, Clark.

T-2:50. A-22,281.

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MANILA, Philippines (SEPT. 28) UPI - A general and 15 soldiers were convicted Friday of killing Benigno Aquino, more than seven years after the opposition leader was gunned down as he came home to confront President Ferdinand Marcos.

An anti-corruption court convicted a general and 15 other soldiers in the 1983 assassination and sentenced them to life in prison on the first anniversary of Marcos's death during exile in Honolulu.

The three-judge court also acquitted 17 soldiers and three civilians, including former Tourism Secretary Jose Aspiras, in the murder of Aquino. The murder sparked widespread protests that helped topple 20- year dictator Marcos in a civilian-backed military revolt and swept Aquino's wife Corazon to power.

''I am pleased that finally the court has decided who are the guilty people and who are innocent,'' President Corazon Aquino said in an interview with Japanese reporters.

But Benigno Aquino's sister, congresswoman Teresa Ureta, expressed disappointment.

''I would have wanted a statement clearer on who ordered the killing, '' said Ureta who sat in the courtroom audience with her brother, Sen. Agapito Aquino. ''Most of those convicted were soldiers. They could not have acted without

somebody ordering them.''

No judgment was rendered on former armed forces chief Gen. Fabian Ver, former Information Minister Gregorio Cendana, and a captain. All three men are at large but were tried in absentia. Court chairman Regino Hermosisima indicated they could face a separate trial at a later date.

Another soldier in the list of 40 accused died during the trial.

The highest ranking officer convicted was Brig. Gen. Luther Custodio, the former chief of the aviation security command now stricken with cancer and confined to a wheelchair.

''It's unfair, it's unfair,'' Custodio said as he was being wheeled out of the courtroom after the verdict. ''I know God knows I am innocent.''

Initially, the court imposed the death sentence on Custodio and 15 other soldiers, but then deferred to a constitutional ban on the death penalty and meted out the life prison sentence.

Among the others found guilty included constable Rogelio Moreno, who the court said fired the shot from a .357 Magnum that killed Aquino Aug. 21, 1983, at the Manila airport upon his return from three years of self-exile in the United States. Also among the convicted were Aquino's four other escorts.

Rodolfo Jimenez, counsel for the accused, said he would appeal the convictions to the Supreme Court.

In its 177-page decision, the court rejected defense arguments Aquino was shot by Rolando Galman, an alleged communist hit man killed moments later in a volley of military gunfire. It adopted the prosecution stand Galman was a scapegoat, and all 16 convicted Friday were found guilty of murdering both Aquino and Galman.

A citizen fact-finding panel said in 1984 there was no evidence against the Marcoses. That panel found Aquino was killed by a soldier, but in 1985 a court overturned the finding and acquitted Ver, 24 other soldiers, and businessman Hermilo Gosuico.

After Corazon Aquino took power, a special Supreme Court panel reviewed the 1985 lower court decision and found Marcos had ordered a mass acquittal of the 26. The Supreme Court ordered a new trial that began March 23, 1987, and ended last June 4. The list of accused was expanded from 26 to 40.

Marcos was never charged in the case, but many Filipinos believed he and his wife Imelda were involved. Benigno Aquino had hurried home at that time to warn Marcos to allow democracy or face a civil war.

''I think at this point justice has been done,'' presidential deputy press secretary Horacio Paredes said after Friday's conviction. ''I think it will be long before we will know the mastermind, but to me I think the mastermind has died one year ago.''

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UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 28) UPI - The United States and the Soviet Union appear to be on the brink of a breakthrough on an agreement to limit conventional military forces in Europe.

Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze laid out the final pattern for agreement in a two-hour session Thursday, leaving some minor details to be worked out by technical teams.

But a NATO diplomat said, ''I can't imagine that any details over minor issues would stand in the way of approving such a major agreement.''

The treaty would limit men, aircraft, helicopters and armored vehicles based in Europe. The cuts would be at least 50 percent in each category.

Both men, after their meeting described ''good progress'' and said they were taking the results to their allies for approval.

Since the Soviet-led Warsaw Pact has virtually ceased to exist as a military alliance with the democratization of Eastern Europe, the results will be approved if NATO buys the bargain Baker and his team struck in New York.

The men were expected to meet at least one more time in New York to discuss strategic arms reductions, in addition to a Shevardnadze session with President Bush Monday in New York.

Baker and Shevardnadze, in their second meeting in two days, focused only on the remaining issues in the conventional forces in Europe agreement, known as CFE.

There were three remaining issues:

-The percentage of forces Washington and Moscow would be permitted to make up in remaining East-West forces. The United States wanted that percentage to be around 30, while the Soviets pushed for between 35 and 40 percent. One U.S. official said there will be different percentages for different categories of weapons.

-How many units each side can station outside its own national territory. Officials reported essential agreement.

-Numbers of aircraft. The exact counting rules will have to be worked out by teams of technical experts, but Western officials said they believe the minor remaining differences will be bridged.

The round of Baker-Shevardnadze meetings this week was the 20th, an average of one per month in the Bush administration, not counting dozens of telephone calls between the two foreign ministers.

U.S. officials say both Baker and Shevardnadze are determined to send a signal to Iraq that Saddam Hussein's personal ambitions in invading Kuwait on Aug. 2 will not be allowed to destroy the dawning post-Cold War era.

The conventional force talks have been going in their present form since January 1989. The major breakthrough came with the breakup of the Warsaw Pact, but that left the question of how to put that new military situation into a treaty that would weather the next uncertain changes in Europe, and how to regulate military forces.

Included in those questions are such arcane issues as:

-What is a combat aircraft? Does it include two-seater trainers which can be turned into a warplane by adding some electronics and wing-pylons which could carry missiles? And if so, how many of those planes would equal one plane specifically designed to kill enemy aircraft or tanks?

-How can each side be sure that a demobilized military man remains a civilian. Do you count border and custom guards or reserve units, and if so, how does each side verify those counts?

-How do you destroy a tank, a vehicle specifically designed to resist destruction? Environmentalist groups quickly opposed the dumping of tanks into the ocean, but other methods are expensive, slow and possibly dangerous, such as the trend, which has already begun, of selling off surplus tanks to the Third World.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - Boston will have to follow up on Thursday night's winning performance to satisfy Manager Joe Morgan.

The Red Sox moved into a first-place tie with Toronto in the American League East with a 3-2 victory over the Detroit Tigers, and Morgan wants a repeat effort when the two leaders face each other the next three nights.

''It's not important at all if we don't win tomorrow night,'' Morgan said of the victory Thursday night. ''All I know is we're dead even and let's go get 'em.''

The three-game showdown in Boston will determine control of the division race.

''Psychologically, it's a big difference to go in tied,'' said Boston outfielder Mike Greenwell. ''(The Blue Jays) know they have to take two out of three at our place.''

''The one who goes out and plays relaxed will come out ahead,'' added Greenwell. ''It's going to be an exciting three days.''

Greenwell delivered a two-run double in a three-run fourth inning, helping the Red Sox take a 3-0 lead. Tigers starter Steve Searcy, 2-7, gave up a lead-off single to Carlos Quintana. Dwight Evans doubled Quintana to third, and both runners held when Ellis Burks beat out a grounder to third baseman Darnell Coles for a single.

Greenwell then drilled Searcy's second pitch down the right field line to score Quintana and Evans. Tom Brunansky's sacrifice fly brought home Burks.

''The first pitch to me was a slider and I thought he'd throw me a fastball because he wouldn't want to fall behind 2-0,'' Greenwell said. ''I was looking for a fastball, something hard I could turn on and hit to right.''

Boston starter Tom Bolton, 10-7, halted a personal three-game losing streak by limiting Detroit to four hits over seven innings.

''This was certainly my most rewarding victory, coming at this time of the season,'' said Bolton. ''And I needed it for my confidence after a rough road trip.''

The Tigers fell short with an unearned run in the sixth and Cecil Fielder's 49th home run of the season in the eighth. Fielder's next homer will make him the first major leaguer since 1977 and first American League player since 1961 to hit 50 homers in a season.

''There's a lot of pressure now,'' Fielder admitted. ''It's making Cecil's brain hurt a little. The closer I get the more people there are surrounding it. Hopefully, I can get it quickly.''

-- AROUND THE AL --

In other American League action, Baltimore beat Cleveland 5-3, Chicago downed Milwaukee 6-4, Texas dropped Oakland 8-6, and California edged Kansas City 7-6.

Orioles 5, Indians 3

At Cleveland, Gregg Olson earned a club-record 35th save and Dave Johnson stopped a Baltimore losing streak for the ninth time this year to lead

Baltimore. Johnson improved to 13-8, and Olson pitched the ninth to break the Orioles save record of 34 set by Don Aase in 1986. John Farrell, making his second start since coming off the disabled list Sept. 21, fell to 4-5.

White Sox 6, Brewers 4

At Chicago, Frank Thomas belted a solo home run, and Bobby Thigpen hurled his 55th save, helping Chicago. Thomas's sixth homer of the season made a winner of Wayne Edwards, 5-3, who pitched 5 2-3 innings, and tagged Tom Edens, 4-4, with the loss. Thigpen pitched the ninth and enabled the White Sox to break the team mark of 64 saves held by the 1988 Oakland bullpen.

Rangers 8, Athletics 6

At Arlington, Texas, back-to-back homers by Jack Daugherty and Pete Incaviglia helped Scott Chiamparino, 1-2, earn his first major league victory. Jeff Russell recorded the last out for his ninth save. Loser Scott Sanderson, 17-11 gave up seven runs in three innings.

Angels 7, Royals 6

At Anaheim, Calif., Devon White's bases-loaded single in the ninth lifted California. Trailing 5-6, Lee Stevens doubled and scored on a single by Lance Parrish. Jack Howell followed with a single, with Parrish moving to third. Dick Scofield was intentionally walked, bringing up White who singled to drive in the go-ahead run and make a winner of reliever Brian Harvey, 4-4. Jeff Montgomery, 6-5, suffered the loss.

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UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 28) UPI - The emir of Kuwait told the United Nations the fate of his Iraqi-occupied country ''is in your hands'' and pleaded for liberation from Baghdad's ''campaign of terror.''

''Today, I plead before you the cause of a people whose land, until so recently, was a beacon for peaceful co-existence and genuine brotherhood among the family of nations,'' Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmad Al- Sabah told the U.N. General Assembly Thursday.

''Now the fate of a people, of a nation, is in your hands,'' the ousted emir said. ''We are confident that the only measure that will win your endorsement is support for our legitimate right to liberate our land.''

Al-Sabah, whose family ruled over the small desert kingdom rich in oil for more than 200 years, received standing ovation by the more than 2,000 delegates from 160 countries attending the annual session.

The six-member Iraqi delegation, headed by that country's deputy permanent representative to the United Nations, Sabah Talat Kadrat, walked out of the assembly hall before Al-Sabah began his address.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ordered his troops into Kuwait Aug. 2, less than a day after talks between the two countries to resolve dispute over oil production and their common border collapsed. Saddam consequently declared Kuwait an Iraqi province.

The emir said, ''rape, destruction, terror and torture are now the rule of the day in the once peaceful and tranquil land of Kuwait.''

''Indeed, at this very moment, an intense campaign of terror, torture and humiliation continues unabated in that dear land,'' the emir said.

The 15-nation U.N. Security Council condemned the military occupation and imposed stringent sanctions to force Iraq to pull out. It allowed Western navies sent to protect other Persian Gulf countries to use force to impose the sanctions, and Tuesday, the council ordered an air traffic embargo on Iraq.

The emir said Thursday ''hundreds of thousands'' of Kuwaiti citizens as well as nationals of various countries have been made homeless and have lost their savings.

Dressed in a long white and gold robe, the emir said the Iraqi occupation has caused repercussions on the world's security as well as economy.

Al-Sabah said to remedy economic losses suffered by developing countries, he has decided to write off interest payments on loans to those countries. Kuwait's contributions to development aid to the Third World had amounted to 8.3 percent of its GNP, the emir said.

Among migrant workers in Kuwait before the invasion were some 100,000 Bangladeshis, whose salaries represented an important source of foreign currency for the Bangladesh government.

A Bangladeshi diplomat said 50,000 of his countrymen were repatriated and the rest will be returned home by the end of the month.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 28) UPI - The Carter Presidential Center will be absorbed by Emory University in 1994 to assure its continuity even after the center's namesake dies.

Former President Jimmy Carter told a group of Atlanta business leaders Thursday the first step toward the merger is a $60 million fund- raising

campaign, half of which will be used to establish an endowment at Emory.

The rest of the money will be used to help pay for Carter Center programs and new construction.

Carter said the link with Emory ''is absolutely crucial'' to the Carter Center whose programs focus on such issues as health, human rights, democracy, conflict resolution and U.S. relations with the Soviet Union, Latin America and the Middle East.

Carter, who will be 66 Monday, had always planned to turn the center over to Emory after his death.

''Many people come to me and say, 'Well this is great, Jimmy, while you're there, but it won't survive you.' And that's one of the major motivations for us to deal so intimately with Emory,'' said Carter. ''There is no other university that will be dealing with this spectrum of humanitarian and, I hope earth-shaking kinds of things.''

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(SEPT. 28) - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

BATTING (Minimum 20 plate appearances)

American League	ab	r	h	pct.
Brett, KC	540	82	178	.330
RHenderson, Oak	474	115	154	.325
Palmeiro, Tex	573	72	186	.325
Trammell, Det	552	70	169	.306
Boggs, Bos	596	85	181	.304
EMartinez, Sea	486	70	146	.300
Griffey Jr., Sea	590	89	177	.300
CJames, Cle	511	60	153	.299
Burks, Bos	564	86	168	.298
Puckett, Min	534	82	159	.298

Home Runs

Fielder, Det 49; McGwire, Oak 39; Canseco, Oak 37; McGriff, Tor 34; Gruber, Tor 30.

RUNS BATTED IN

Fielder, Det 127; Gruber, Tor 113; McGwire, Oak 108; Parker, Mil and Canseco, Oak 95; Sierra, Tex 92.

DOUBLES

Brett, KC 45; Jo.Reed and Boggs, Bos and Calderon, Chi 43; Harper, Min 41.

TRIPLES

Fernandez, Tor 17; Sosa, Chi 10; Liriano, Min 9; Burks, Bos and Johnson, Chi 8.

STOLEN BASES

R.Henderson, Oak 63; Kelly, NY 40; Sax, NY 39; Pettis, Tex and Cole, Cle 37.

RUNS

R.Henderson, Oak 115; Fielder, Det 101; Yount, Mil 98; Reynolds, Sea, Franco, Tex 95; Phillips, Det 93.

HITS

Palmeiro, Tex 186; Boggs, Bos 181; Brett, KC, 178; Griffey Jr., Sea 177; Kelly NY and Parker, Mil 176.

PITCHING

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 160 innings pitched)

Clemens, Bos 1.98; Finley, Cal 2.49; Stewart, Oak 2.58; Appier, KC 2.84; Stieb Tor 2.96.

WINS

Welch, Oak 26; Stewart, Oak 22; Clemens, Bos 20; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 18.

SAVES

Thigpen, Chi 55; Eckersley, Oak 45; Jones, Cle 41; Righetti, NY and Olson, Bal 35.

COMPLETE GAMES

Morris, Det and Stewart, Oak 10; Finley, Cal, Witt, Tex, Young, Sea and Clemens, Bos 7.

STRIKEOUTS

Ryan, Tex 221; Witt, Tex 215; Hanson, Sea and Clemens, Bos 204; Langston, Cal 190.

SHUTOUTS

Stewart, Oak and Clemens, Bos 4; Appier, KC, Perez, Chi and Morris, Det 3.

BATTING (Minimum 20 plate appearnaces)

National League	ab	r	h	pct.
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Dykstra, Phi	574	103	186	.324
Magadan, NY	429	72	139	.324
Murray, LA	534	93	173	.324
Dawson, Chi	511	69	162	.317
Grace, Chi	569	71	178	.313
Gwynn, SD	573	79	177	.309
Roberts, SD	546	102	168	.308
Sandberg, Chi	601	114	183	.304
LSmith, Atl	447	68	136	.304

HOME RUNS

Sandberg, Chi 38; Strawberry, NY 37; Mitchell, SF 35; Bonds, Pit and M.Williams, SF 33; Bonilla, Pit 32.

RUNS BATTED IN

Williams, SF 119; Bonilla, Pit 117; Carter, SD 114; Bonds, Pit 113; Strawberry NY 108.

DOUBLES

Jefferies, NY 39; Sabo, Cin, Bonilla, Pit 38; Johnson, NY, 37; Roberts, SD and Wallach, Mtl 36.

TRIPLES

Duncan, Cin 11; Gwynn, SD 10; Coleman, StL 9; L.Smith, Atl, Dunston, Chi and Butler, SF 8.

STOLEN BASES

Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 61; Bonds, Pit 50; Nixon, Mtl 47; Raines, Mtl, Roberts, SD, and Butler, SF 45.

RUNS

Sandberg, Chi 114; Bonilla, Pit 110; Dykstra, Phi, Bonds, Pit and Gant, Atl 103; Roberts, SD, 102.

HITS

Dykstra, Phi 186; Larkin, Cin and Sandberg, Chi 183; Butler, SF 182; Wallach, Mtl 179; Grace, Chi 178.

PITCHING

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 160 innings pitched)

Smith, Pit 2.61; Whitson, SD 2.63; Viola, NY 2.71; Rijo, Cin 2.72; Boyd, Mtl 2.75.

WINS

Drabek, Pit 21; Martinez, LA and Viola, NY 19; Gooden, NY 18; Browning, Cin 15; Maddux, Chi, Burkett, SF and Rijo, Cin 14.

SAVES

Franco, NY 33; Myers, Cin 30; L.Smith, StL 27; Smith, Hou and Lefferts, SD 23.

COMPLETE GAMES

Martinez, LA 11; Maddux, Chi, Drabek, Pit and Hurst, SD 8; De.Martinez, Mtl, Rijo, Cin and Viola, NY 7.

STRIKEOUTS

Cone, NY 221; Martinez, LA 220; Gooden, NY 208; Fernandez, NY 178; Viola, NY 172.

SHUTOUTS

Morgan, LA and Hurst, SD 4; Gardner and Boyd, Mtl, Martinez, LA, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3.

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#90271u0296 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - The full Senate considers the Supreme Court nomination of Judge David Souter next Tuesday... after the Senate Judiciary Committee approved it yesterday. The committee voted 13-1 in favor of Souter, with Democrats calling him ''about the best'' they can expect from President Bush. Confirmation in the Senate is virtually certain.

The East and West German Social Democratic Parties have merged into a single party... less than one week before the two Germanys are to unite. When that happens next Wednesday, the united Social Democratic Party will be the largest

opposition group to the conservative-led government of Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

Iran and Britain resumed diplomatic relations yesterday, saying their embassies in London and Tehran will re-open within one month. Ties between the two countries broke off more than one year ago because of Iran's death sentence against British writer Salman Rushdie, the author of ''The Satanic Verses.'' Iran considers the book blasphemous.

A bank card consumer group says Millions of Americans are signing up for ''gold'' credit cards that offer services most consumers doN'T need. The Virginia-based Bankcard Holders of America says for many consumers, the cards ''will mean little more than higher rates and fees, and more plastic profits for the banks.''

A movie stuntman who allegedly moonlighted as a mugger to support a drug habit was arrested this week in New York City. Police say Lance Guecia is suspected in a string of cab driver robberies and deli holdups this summer on Manhattan's Lower East Side. He reportedly appears in the new movie, ''King of New York.''

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#90271u0313 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - Washington extended its military influence in the Middle East amid the Persian Gulf crisis, selling $7 billion in arms to Saudi Arabia and reportedly promising Israel to retaliate if the Jewish state was attacked by Iraq.

The U.S. moves came as Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, hoping to convince the world that Japan is doing its share to end the gulf crisis, left Friday for a 12-day trip to the United States and Middle East. Kaifu Thursday proposed sending non-military personnel to the region, but the plan faces parliamentary opposition.

The specter of terrorism meanwhile was raised after two men threw grenades at a Djibouti cafe frequented by French military personnel, killing the 9-year-old son of a French military officer and wounding at least 16 other people Friday.

The East African nation of Djibouti has served as a staging area for French troops en route to join a U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the Persian Gulf in response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. No one claimed responsibility for the grenade attack, but French police sources said they suspected pro-Iraqi guerrillas.

The attack came a day after France said without explanation it was withdrawing its aircraft carrier Clemenceau from the gulf region. The Clemenceau, the flagship of the French armada of 14 ships in the gulf, is to return to France.

The emir of Kuwait planned to meet Friday with President Bush, who was hosting a luncheon in his honor. Thursday, Sheikh Japer Al-Ahmad Al- Sabah, pleaded with the U.N. General Assembly to help liberate his nation from Iraq's ''campaign of terror.'' He told U.N. delegates the fate of his country was ''in your hands'' amid Baghdad's reign of ''rape, destruction, terror and torture.''

And world oil markets braced Friday after prices surged to record levels Thursday, despite a White House plan to sell from the huge U.S. Strategic Petroleum Reserve. The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery closed at $39.54 and North Sea Brent crude hit $41 a barrel.

The United States assured Israel that if Iraq attacked the Jewish state, the United States ''will stand by its commitment to Israel's security'' and retaliate against Iraq, even if it requires military force, The Washington Post reported Friday.

Quoting diplomatic sources, the newspaper said the assurance was given by Secretary of State James Baker to Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy at a meeting at the United Nations late Wednesday.

The sources said Baker acted to calm Israeli concern about threats made by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to strike at Israel and Saudi oil installations if Iraq suffers unduly from the U.N. economic embargo.

The Pentagon arms sales to Saudi Arabia include top-line U.S. tanks, attack helicopters, anti-tank weapons, Patriot anti-aircraft missiles and rocket launchers. It is the first stage of a two-phased arms sale to Saudi Arabia totaling about $21 billion, including sophisticated F-15 fighters. Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams predicted the second sale would occur early next year.

The Pentagon said an American warship in the Red Sea fired warning shots and boarded an Iraqi oil tanker that had refused to stop Thursday, but allowed it to proceed when no cargo was found. No injuries were reported.

It was the fourth time a U.S. warship has fired warning shots near tankers and cargo ships in Middle East waters since the United States began its interdiction program Aug. 17 to enforce U.N. sanctions against Iraqi goods.

In Baghdad, Iraqi authorities said beginning next week foreigners will be unable to obtain food rationing cards.

Saddam has often stated foreigners in Iraq and occupied Kuwait will suffer from the U.N. trade embargo along with Iraqis. He said if the situation becomes desperate, food and medicine will be reserved for Iraqi citizens only.

Western nations, meanwhile, reacted angrily to an Iraqi warning to diplomats

in Baghdad that the act of hiding foreigners was punishable by death.

In Washington, the State Department said the Iraqi government denied to the U.S. charge d'affaires in Baghdad, Joseph Wilson, there was any intent in an earlier warning note ''to level capital charges against diplomats.''

Wilson went to the Iraqi Foreign Ministry to protest the warning, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

Boucher also said another U.S. citizen had been rounded up in Kuwait, bringing the number of detained Americans in Iraq and Kuwait to 101.

Eight American detainees, including one of 69 listed as having medical problems, were seen in the Mansour Melia hotel in Baghdad, he said. Iraqi officials apparently are using the hotel as a holding area for detainees.

Boucher said Iraqi authorities have not disclosed information about the detainees to U.S. officials or permitted U.S. visits to the hotel.

Diplomatic sources said Jordan, meanwhile, was reconsidering its suspension of all flights between Amman and Baghdad to comply with a U.N.-imposed air embargo. The suspension was ordered Wednesday following reports an Iraqi jetliner had loaded up with illegal cargo for its return trip after delivering a group of Western hostages to Amman.

The sources said Jordan's King Hussein was considering banning all flights except passenger flights.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - Clouds and fog blanketed the East Coast and Appalachians Friday as cool temperatures and rain were reported in several regions, including Southern California which was doused by showers that closed a major road.

Flash floods and rockslides forced the closure of a major east-west thoroughfare in Southern California for more than an hour Thursday night, but there were no immediate reports of damage, authorities said.

The California Highway Patrol and Caltrans posted closures of the 70- mile stretch of Highway 166 from U.S Route 101 to Westside Highway in Maricopa in Kern County starting at 8 p.m.

The closure came after the National Weather Service issued a flash flood warning for the area.

Fog covered parts of Kentucky, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania Friday

dropping visiblity to near zero in low-lying areas, especially near streams and rivers.

Limited visibilty was reported in Pennsylvania's Lehigh Valley and near Binghamton, N.Y., where motorists were warned to be careful during the morning rush hour.

Very moist air covering the East Coast caused the foggy conditions, which also led to travel advisories in Massachusetts.

Patchy drizzle dampened Portland, Maine, and in the Midwest, partly cloudy skies and possible showers were reported. Rain and clouds also were reported in Nebraska.

More ideal weather from the high pressure system dominated the South. But there were some hot spots, with a temperatures of 93 degrees recorded Thursday in Dothan, Ala. and Meridian, Miss.

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#90271u0327 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

DAVAO, Philippines (SEPT. 28) UPI - A gunman fired a shot at a member of President Corazon Aquino's Cabinet as he prepared to eat breakfast Friday, missing him but killing a woman and wounding another, police and witnesses said.

Police said Local Governments Secretary Luis Santos was unhurt in the shooting in his house in Davao, 600 miles south of Manila, but his friend, Marcosa Reyes, 64, was hit in the head and died. A maid, Arlene Caballero, 17, was wounded.

Police Col. Efren Arayata said investigators were still trying to determine if there was an assassination attempt on Santos, who was on a visit to his hometown, where he had served as mayor and congressman before his appointment to the Cabinet by Aquino.

Asked if someone was trying to kill him, Santos told a radio reporter, ''I leave it to the authorities to determine.'' He declined further comment.

Shirley Himor, a babysitter in the household, said Santos had washed his hands in the kitchen in preparation for breakfast when his grandson emerged and greeted him. Santos had just bowed down to kiss his grandson when a shot rang out, Himor said.

Himor said she saw an unidentified man wearing a black jacket emerge in the house, fire a shot and flee.

''The shot was fired in the direction of the secretary,'' she said.

Arayata said in a radio interview, ''As of now we cannot say if the bullet was for him.'' But Arayata added the gun was fired ''in the direction of where he was.''

He said the single bullet grazed Caballero on the shoulder and hit Reyes, who was visiting the secretary.

Himor said Santos dashed to a room after the shooting. His four bodyguards also rushed inside the house.

Arayata said the guns of Santos's four security guards have been turned in for inspection and the men will be subjected to tests to determine if they fired their firearms.

Santos later moved to the Apo View Hotel with a .45 caliber pistol tucked in his waist.

On Aug. 2, 1987, Aquino's Local Governments Secretary Jaime Ferrer was assassinated. The murder is still unsolved.

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#90271u0328 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

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CAIRO, Egypt - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said Egyptian forces in the gulf region now total more than 14,000 and dismissed unconfirmed reports that Iraq may deploy Scud missiles in Sudan, which has supported Saddam in the Persian Gulf crisis.

TUNIS, Tunisia - At a meeting of the Arab League's governing council Thursday, Iraqi Ambassador Alouane Jabouri complained about Kuwait's presence at the session on grounds it is no longer an independent state. Kuwaiti Ambassador Nasser al Jihane replied: ''Here is new proof that Iraq wants to divide the Arabs. It is Iraq that is destroying Arab security.''

TEHRAN, Iran - Iran announced that it has resumed diplomatic relations with Britain and the two countries will reopen their embassies within one month.

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LONDON (SEPT. 28) UPI - Stock prices were lower in moderate trading at midday Friday on the London International stock exchange.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 9.1 points Thursday, was down 22.6 points to 1,981.1. The narrower top 30 industrial average was down 13.8 points to 1,534.3.

Volume amounted to around 225 million shares compared with 254 million shares

traded during the same period Thursday.

Analysts said stocks followed the led of futures contracts closely as the December FT-SE 100 Index contract fell to 2,022.0, down from 2,038.0 Thursday.

Among some of the international issues, Imperial Chemical Industries fell 32 cents to $14.61 and Barclays Bank PLC lost 2 cents to $5.58.

British Petroleum lost 12 cents to $6.15 as the price of North Sea Brent crude gained 25 cents a barrel on the London spot market.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange were sharply lower in moderate trading at midday.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which lost 27.91 points Thursday, was off 32.54 points to 1,321.54.

Traders said the selloff in Tokyo, where the Nikkei Average tumbled 788.41 points to 20,983.50 - its lowest level in 3 1/2 years - encouraged investors to sell stocks.

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#90271u0498 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - The Commerce Department, offering another sign of the slowdown in the U.S. economy, reported Friday its index of leading economic indicators slipped 1.2 percent in August, the greatest decline this year.

The department said its index was unchanged in July and increased 0.1 percent in June.

The August decline, the greatest monthly drop since November 1987, is a further sign of the weakness sweeping through the U.S. economy. During the past 12 months, the index has declined 0.4 percent, compared to a gain of 0.5 percent during the previous 12-month period.

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#90271u0499 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - The Commerce Department, offering another sign of the slowdown in the U.S. economy, reported Friday its index of leading economic indicators slipped 1.2 percent in August, the largest decline this year.

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#90271u0539 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - In the East African nation of Djibouti, a nine year- old boy was killed and at least 16 other people hurt today when a grenade exploded in a cafe where French military personnel gather. Djobouti is a staging area for French troops bound for the Persian Gulf. NO one has claimed responsiblity, but police suspect pro-Iraqi guerrillas. Officials say three grenades were tossed at two cafes, but only one exploded.

Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu has a whirlwind 12-days ahead. He left Tokyo today headed for the United States and the Middle East in a bid to show the world that Japan is doing its share to end the Persian Gulf crisis. Kaifu will be in New York tomorrow to meet with President Bush and, on Sunday, addresses the U-N children's Summit.

The Emir of Kuwait and President Bush meet today at a luncheon the president is hosting in his honor. Sheik Japer Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah yesterday pleaded with the U-N General Assembly to help free his country from what he called Iraq's ''campaign of terror.'' The Emir told U-N delegates the fate of Kuwait rests with the world body.

That New Hampshire Judge David Souter will be the next Supreme Court justice appears to be a ''done deal,'' after a Senate panel approved his nomination yesterday. The Senate Judiciary Committee's 13-1 vote paves the way for the full Senate to confirm Souter's nomination next Tuesday. President Bush, campaigning in Cleveland, urged the Senate to approve his choice for the high court.

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#90271u0552 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - A Roman Catholic church shelter for illegal aliens was the target of a raid last night by U-S immigration agents searching for foreign terrorists in Texas. Witnesses say an government helicopter circled the Casa Romero shelter near Brownsville as some 25 federal agents on the ground presented a search warrant to look for illegal aliens from India. The agents

arrested 35 people, including five people from India, and 15 Mexican nationals.

The New York Times says civil liberties attorneys accuse city police of violating a federal order generally barring police from arresting bystanders who criticize of their actions. The charges of misuse of power come at a time when the New York City Police Department is trying to find ways to combat a huge increase in violent crimes. The report says the New York Civil Liberties is among the groups threatening to take the issue back to court.

Plans call for Emory University in Georgia, to absorb the Carter Presidential Center in 1994. Former President Carter told a group of Atlanta business leaders yesterday the first step in the merger is a 60- Million-dollar fund-raising effort. The center's programs focus on such issues as human rights, democracy, conflict resolution, health and U-S foreign policy.

A British researcher believes Charles Darwin, the father of evolutionary theory, may have suffered from what's called ''the yuppie flu.'' E-J Field of the Univerity of Warwick in Conventry, England, speculates Darwin was stricken with ''chronic fatique syndrome''- what Americans call the ''yuppie flu.'' The British naturalist developed a debilatating illness in his 20s. He died in 1882 at age 73.

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#90271u0620 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - Japan's Prime Minister Kaifu proposes sending Japanese NON-military personnel to the Persian Gulf. He left Tokyo today on a 12- day trip to the United States and the Mideast to discuss that and other Japanese responses to the Gulf crisis. .

The Emir of Kuwait meets with President Bush, who is hosting a luncheon in his honor today. Yesterday, the Kuwaiti leader pleaded with the U-N General Assembly to help liberate his nation from Iraq's ''campaign of terror.''

Grenades were thrown at two crowded cafes in the East African nation of Djibouti today, killing the nine-year-old son of a French officer. At least 16 other people were wounded in the attacks near a French military base. .

NO one claimed responsibility for the attack, but police suspect pro- Iraqi terrorists. Djibouti is a former French colony used as a staging area for deploying French troops to the Persian Gulf. .

Pro-Iraqi terrorist leaders have threatened terrorist actions against the United States and Western European countries. .

White House chief of staff John Sununu says- ''there's been a lot of progress'' toward agreement on a deficit-reduction package. But sources say it's Sununu's insistence on a cut in the capital gains tax that is stalling

budget talks. .

The talks broke off early this morning with NO agreement. Negotiators are to meet again later today.

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#90271u0629 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (SEPT. 28) UPI - A U.S. naval ship fired shots across the bow of an Iraqi oil tanker which tried for two hours to evade interception in the Red Sea, but the vessel was allowed to proceed when no evidence was found that it was violating the U.N.-ordered blockade, officials said Friday.

An official statement said the high seas chase Thursday started when the Iraqi-flagged tanker named Tadmur refused ''multiple requests'' from U.S. naval and coast guard vessels to allow an inspection team to board and check cargo and papers.

It said an unspecified number of vessels pursued the 3,600-ton freighter for about two hours, before the frigate USS Elmer Montgomery fired across the ship's bow, prompting the captain to comply with the boarding demands.

About 30 minutes later, Spanish naval personnel arrived and checked the ship, which they found to be in ballast with no cargo, it said.

The Tadmur was then allowed to proceed into the northern Red Sea because it had not been in violation of U.N. Security Council Resolution 661, which calls for a ban on all exports and imports from Iraq to punish Baghdad for the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Australian and U.S. naval personnel in a similar joint operation on Sept. 14 boarded another Iraqi ship. The multi-national force has intercepted more than 1,000 vessels, allowing the majority to proceed, since the blockade was announced.

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#90271u0641 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sh	78	54	....
Anchorage cy	51	37	....
Asheville sy	81	53	....
Atlanta pc	85	64	....
Baltimore sy	81	55	....
Billings sy	65	38	....
Birmingham pc	86	63	....

Bismarck cy	59	34	....
Boston sy	73	57	....
Brownsville pc	90	71	....
Buffalo sy	74	56	....
Burlington Vt. pc	73	52	....
Charleston S.C. pc	87	66	....
Charlotte sy	85	60	....
Chicago cy	72	52	....
Cincinnati pc	81	60	....
Cleveland pc	75	58	....
Columbus Ohio pc	80	59	....
Dallas sy	92	65	....
Denver ts	62	42	.01
Des Moines pc	70	49	....
Detroit cy	76	55	....
Duluth pc	58	38	....
El Paso pc	87	61	....
Evansville sy	86	60	....
Fargo cy	57	38	....
Hartford sy	78	53	....
Honolulu sy	89	73	....
Houston pc	92	67	....
Indianapolis pc	81	59	....
Jackson Miss. sy	91	61	....
Jacksonville cy	86	72	.52
Kansas City pc	77	57	....
Las Vegas ts	84	60	....
Little Rock sy	90	64	....
Los Angeles pc	75	63	....
Louisville pc	84	62	....
Memphis sy	89	66	....
Miami Beach r	84	75	.45
Milwaukee cy	66	50	....
Minneapolis pc	66	44	....
Nashville sy	88	63	....
New Orleans pc	89	67	....
New York sy	80	61	....
Oklahoma City cy	86	65	....
Omaha pc	70	47	.04
Orlando cy	89	75	....
Philadelphia sy	76	57	....
Phoenix f	94	68	....
Pittsburgh pc	75	54	....
Portland Me. sy	71	50	....
Portland Ore. f	80	52	....
Providence sy	75	55	....
Richmond sy	81	55	....
St. Louis pc	85	62	....

Salt Lake City cy	77	53	.01
San Antonio pc	89	71	....
San Diego pc	72	65	....
San Francisco sy	75	58	....
San Juan pc	91	76	.07
Seattle pc	72	53	....
Spokane sy	79	45	....
Tampa cy	89	75	....
Washington sy	81	60	....
Wichita cy	80	57	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90271u0646 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 27: Purchases of 391,547 shares and sales of 623,698 shares including 33,016 shares sold short.

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#90271u0653 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
FCA Intl (Year 6-30)	
$72,008,000	$73,832,000
d-$3,056,000	d-$2,805,000

d-Deficit.

Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Fuller H B Co (3rd Q 8-31)
$203,053,000 $189,868,000
$6,259,000 (.69) $3,798,000 (.40)

Jackpot Enterprises (4th Q 6-30)
$11,911,000 $10,157,000
$1,000,000 (.20) $924,000 (.17)

L A Gear Inc (3rd Q 8-31)
$300,283,000 $215,049,000
$14,290,000 (.71) $22,022,000 (1.21)

Potomac Electric (8 Mos 8-31)
$951,914,000 $947,637,000
$118,294,000 (1.13) $143,762,000 (1.46)

Scimed Life Systems (2nd Q 8-31)
$25,887,000 $15,503,000
$6,967,000 (.49) $4,065,000 (.31)

Trizec Corp (9 Mos 7-31)
$946,100,000 $882,400,000
d-$28,300,000 $71,100,000 (.28)
d-Deficit, after a charge of $48,900,000, representing Trizec's share of a provision taken by 69-percent-owned Bramalea Ltd.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Xicor Inc (3rd Q 9-9)
$22,545,000 $21,223,000
d-$1,833,000 $863,000 (.05)
d-Deficit.

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#90271u0656 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - The Commerce Department, offering another sign of the slowdown in the U.S. economy, reported Friday its index of leading economic indicators slipped 1.2 percent in August, the largest decline this year.

The August decline, triggered largely by concern of recession and higher oil prices from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, was the greatest monthly drop since November 1987, which was prompted by the stock market crash the month before.

The department said its index was unchanged in July and increased 0.1 percent in June. Economists said the report offers the possibility that the current

economic weakness is likely to linger through next year, but does not signal recession.

''The old rule of thumb is you have to have three monthly declines in the leading economic indicators to have a recession. This is one,'' said Robert Dederick, chief economist at Northern Trust Co. in Chicago.

''This is a further confirmation that the economy is August really showed signs of developing softness,'' he said.

During the past 12 months, the index has declined 0.4 percent, compared to a gain of 0.5 percent during the previous 12-month period.

Seven of the 11 economic indicators used to compile the index declined last month, following the turmoil in the Middle East. Since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait oil prices have more than doubled, sending shock waves through the global economy.

The greatest negative contribution to the index was posted by comsumer expectations, which slipped to 62.9 from 77.3 the month before. The deterioration in consumer expectations indicates that fears of a recession have seeped into the national psyche.

''The uncertainty caused by this crisis leads consumers and businesses to hold back and that aggravates the situtation. We're looking at a pretty bleak winter,'' said Cynthia Latta, an economist at DRI/McGraw Hill, in Lexington, Mass.

''I don't think this number by itself is going to scare people anymore than they are already,'' she said.

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#90271u0664 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

MENDENHALL, MISS. (SEPT. 28) UPI - Deadly escaping gas killed two employees and injured four others Friday at a large electrical manufacturing plant, authorities said.

''We have two people confirmed dead and four others injured,'' said Sherry Moore, a spokeswoman for the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency. She said the four overcome by gas was admitted to Simpson County Hospital in stable condition.

Dusty Perkins, MEMA spokesman, said authorities believe the men were overcome by natural gas, liquid nitrogen and liquid hydrogen at the Magnatek-Universal Manufacturing.

Perkins said the plant was evacuated after the 5:40 a.m. mishap and hazardous emergency crews, dressed in self-contained suits, had begun venting the work area.

Although U.S. 49 was not closed to traffic, classes were called off at Simpson County Academy. The plant was shut down and its three crews were advised to stay home until further notice.

''The situation is under control,'' said Perkins. ''There was no toxic cloud or anything like that. But there have been reports of several gas leaks in the work area.''

The plant, located about 25 miles south of Jackson, manufactures ballast for fluorescent lights.

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#90271u0665 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 28) UPI - Police officials say two uniformed officers are suspected of breaking into a fast-food restaurant and stealing $7,000 while on duty.

Police Superintendent LeRoy Martin said Thursday the department's internal affairs division is trying to enhance film from a restaurant security camera to confirm the identity of the officers and clarify details of the July 26 incident at Max's Italian Beef and Sausage.

Martin said he cannot discuss details of the investigation because of police union contracts but added investigators are trying to decide if the officers

had planned the robbery or responded to a call at the restaurant and took advantage of the situation.

Martin said the restaurant owner, Larry Estes, took the film to the FBI rather than to the police. The FBI turned the tape over to the police internal affairs division.

''I can understand the owners' apprehension,'' Martin said. ''I can understand that he would be leery of going to the police. It dismays me to see police officers violate their oath of office this way.''

The officers suspected of the robbery are still working for the department.

Estes told police he believed the officers had dinner at his restaurant before the 2 a.m. robbery took place.

WBBM-TV aired footage of the tape from the security camera. It showed one officer entered the restaurant using a metal object and took money from a cash register. A second officer entered later and helped pry open a safe from which more money was taken.

Martin said if the allegations against the officers are sustained he will seek Cook County grand jury indictments.

''Police officers today earn a good salary and have an opportunity to add to their salary by working overtime,'' he said. ''That is what makes me very bitter - to think they would jeopardize their jobs and disgrace their families and friends and colleagues by setting such a horrible example.''

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#90271u0712 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - White House and congressional negotiators resume budget talks today, with sources reporting a critical tax issue has NOT yet been resolved. House Republican leader Robert Michel says the panel is ''so close and yet so far.'' Bargainers hope to reach agreement on a deficit reduction package to prevent up to 105-BILLION dollars in automatic budget cuts from taking effect on Monday.

French diplomats say suspected pro-Iraqi guerrillas lobbed three grenades at two cafes near a French military base in Djibouti, killing a nine-year-old French boy. At least 16 other people were hurt in the attack in the East African nation. In Paris, French officials called it a ''particularly odious, cowardly attack.''

The United States and the Soviet Union appear nearly ready to agree on limiting men, aircraft, helicopters and armored vehicles in Europe. Secretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze plan to take results

of the talks to their allies for approval. Baker and Shevardnadze met yesterday in New York City.

A published report says federal agents have been searching Tybee Island, Georgia, for clues in the 1989 mail bombings that killed a federal judge and a Savannah alderman. The report says agents combed the island off Savannah and interviewed residents, showing them photographs of suspect Walter Moody Junior.

There were NO immediate reports of damage after flash floods and rockslides forced California police to close a 70-mile stretch of Highway 166 last night. The major east-west Southern California thoroughfare was closed from U-S Route 101 to the Westside Highway in Maricopa after forecasters issued a flash flood warning for the area.

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#90271u0721 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages rose to 10.22 percent from 10.16 percent and adjustable-rate notes declined to 8.28 percent from 8.30 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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#90271u0724 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - New York City police last night arrested the father of a black teen- ager shot to death by a gang of white youths in the Bensonhurst neighborhood. Police say Moses Stewart, the father of 16-year-old Yusuf Hawkins, was arrested when his wife called police during a family dispute. Stewart told reporters at the scene he was beaten and being harassed because of his defense of his son who was killed in 1989.

Four performance artists charge in a lawsuit that the failure of the National Endowment for the Arts to give them funds, after being O-K'd by a N-E-A panel, violates their freedom of speech. The federal lawsuit was filed in Los Angeles by artists whose work deals with such issues as homosexual and women's rights.

A Cincinnati jury hears opening arguments today to determine whether an art gallery and its director violated obscenity laws by showing photographs by Robert Mapplethorpe. At a defense lawyers request, the jury will tour the gallery today where a Mapplethorpe show was on display last spring.

Comedian Rodney Dangerfield may NOT get respect, but he won 725- thousand dollars in damages for eye injuries he suffered in a steam bath at Caesar's Palace. A federal jury deliberated less than one day before deciding the Las Vegas resort should pay damages to the comedian who built a career around the complaint- ''I doN'T get NO respect.'' Dangerfield wanted five-Million dollars.

The Alaska tourist industry has launched its biggest nationwide t-v ad

campaign in a joint effort with Exxon to lure tourists to the 49th state. Exxon paid seven-Million dollars in a project aimed at wooing tourists scared off by the 1989 oil spill, the worst in U-S history. Three 30-second commercials will air 60 times each week in 35 major markets around the country.

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#90271u0725 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (SEPT. 28) UPI - China's first law enabling citizens to sue government bodies goes into effect Oct. 1 and an official newspaper Friday called the measure a ''milestone'' in the country's outdated legal system.

Under the new administrative procedure law, citizens or organizations ''may take legal action when they feel wronged by a specific administrative order,'' the official English-language China Daily said.

The report described the law as a ''milestone'' in China's legal system and quoted legal officials as saying it would force government organs to ''act within legal limits.''

Senior legal officials vowed that all cases would be given a fair hearing and would not lead to recriminations.

''Peoples' courts shall not refuse to accept and hear administrative cases on account of their difficulty, fear of offending administrative organs or interference by outsiders,'' said Ma Yuan, vice-president of the Supreme Peoples' Court.

Western legal experts in Beijing expressed doubt as to whether China's typically wary and court-shy citizens would try to invoke the law in their defense.

''It remains to be seen how it will be put into practice,'' one expert said. ''But (the government) is certainly making serious efforts to make it functional.''

The state-run press has run frequent articles praising the administrative procedure law and exhorting units to study it to avoid abuses.

Mainland Chinese are reluctant to settle disputes in court and are even less accustomed to the concept of challenging the authoritarian government through established legal channels.

The new law is one of a series of Chinese measures to modernize the country's legal system in the wake of the chaotic 1966-76 Cultural Revolution, during which radical political alliances overshadowed the concept of legal rights.

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#90271u0735 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - Bulgarian President Zhelyu Zhelev told President Bush Friday that the political changes in Bulgaria are irreversible and his country ''is no longer a communist and totalitarian state.''

Zhelev, a philosopher who was elected last Aug. 1, made the remarks during a picture-taking session in the Oval Office.

''Our country has embarked firmly on the road to democracy,'' Zhelev said. ''And for our nation, this is a symbolic visit because the greatest democracy in the world is extending a helping hand to the youngest democracy in Europe.''

Bush responded: ''The American people are really excited about the changes. We're very anxious to see the democratic change solidified and continuing in a lot of countries, but we have a great respect for what you are trying to do. ''The changes in Eastern Europe have really captured the imagination of the American people,'' Bush said. ''Every ''

Zhelev said Bulgaria now has a free trade movement, a free press, a democratically elected parliament and a democratically elected president.

''The changes in Bulgaria are irreversible,'' Zhelev said, adding his country ''is no longer a communist and totalitarian state.''

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#90271u0755 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - Top officials of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank are pleased that a high-level Soviet delegation attended this year's meeting but say Soviet membership in the international lending organizations remains a long way off.

The Kremlin's announcement earlier this year that it was interested in joining these bastions of capitalism raised eyebrows through much of the financial world.

IMF Managing Director Michel Camdessus said Thursday he was ''delighted'' by the presence of the five-person delegation, which was headed by Victor Geraschenko, chairman of the State Bank of the Soviet Union and Minister of Finance Valentin Pavlov.

''Last year who would have imagined we'd have a unified Germany and Soviet invitees,'' Camdessus said. ''History is moving very rapidly.''

Members of the IMF and World Bank are eligible for loans and expert advice from the institutions. Both commodities - money and advice - are desperately

needed by the Soviet Union, which is trying to rebuild its collapsing economy.

Two Eastern European nations, Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria, were admitted as members at this year's meeting.

The World Bank and IMF were asked to prepare an analysis of the Soviet economy at the last economic summit in Houston.

David Mulford, the Treasury Department's under secretary for international affairs, said the Bush administration ''has made clear our willingness to provide technical assistance'' to the Soviet Union.

Mulford said the administration is awaiting the results of the IMF- World Bank report, which is expected to be completed by the end of December.

''This report will mainly be on how we are working and the cooperation of the Soviets. It's not really passing judgment,'' Camdessus said earlier this week.

World Bank President Barber Conable said the study will provide a framework for the IMF and World Bank to determine whether the Soviet Union meets membership qualifications.

''It's my view that it won't come quickly,'' he said of Soviet membership.

Conable said the Soviet government has been ''politely'' interested in membership in the past, but has never broached the subject with the same ''sense of immenence'' as it has recently.

Earlier this week, Geraschenko told reporters he believed his delegation's participation in this year's meeting was constructive because it offered the change to rub elbows with international bankers and finance officials.

Many of those bankers, no doubt, are skeptical about the prospects of success for Soviet economic reform.

Conable said his institution is ''prepared to consider ways we can give technical support'' to the Soviet Union.

''We think there is a potential to be of use to Soviet society to help it dig its way out of the hole it is in,'' Conable said.

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#90271u0773 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

FAYETTEVILLE, NC (SEPT. 28) UPI - Eight tobacco dealers pleaded guilty to defrauding the federal government to obtain loans for Iraq and Egypt to purchase more than $1 million of tobacco.

The tobacco companies - six of them in North Carolina - could be ordered to repay the federal government more than $1 million.

The companies were charged with arranging for Iraq and Egypt to get loans backed by the federal Commodity Credit Corp. by falsely claiming those nations were buying pure U.S. tobacco from them.

But the companies really sold those countries a blend of American leaf and cheaper foreign tobacco.

The companies in the hearing also admitted Thursday that they did not deduct rebates they gave to foreign buyers from the amount of loans provided by the CCC, which should have backed only the amount the foreign nations paid for the tobacco.

U.S. District Judge Earl Britt fined the tobaco companies a total of $300,000 and ordered them to pay $1.1 million to the CCC if the loans are not repaid.

The charges stem from sales to Iraq and Egypt between 1986 and 1988.

Rep. Charlie Rose, D-N.C., who chairs the House Subcommittee on Tobacco and Peanuts, criticized the dealings of the eight leaf firms that serve as a conduit between the growers and the purchasers.

The extra payments to the foreign nations ''put resources in the hands of Iraqis that make them now better able to fight American soldiers,'' Rose said.

Rose also said he was angry about the ''skimpy'' fines against the tobacco companies.

''This is not justice. This is a slick deal,'' he told Friday's Winston-Salem Journal.

The companies and their fines and restitution orders were:

-James I. Miller Tobacco Co., Wilson, N.C., six counts, $150,000 in fines, $326 in restitution.

-W.A. Adams Co. Inc., Oxford, N.C., four counts, $40,000 in fines, $134,400 in restitution.

-Intabex USA Inc., Rocky Mount, N.C., four counts, $40,000 in fines, $344,424 in restitution.

-Carrington & Michaux Tobacco Co. Inc., Richmond, Va., one count, $10,000 fine $115,221 in restitution.

-A.C. Monk Inc., Farmville, N.C., two counts, $20,000 in fines, $128, 100 in

restitution.

-Pitt Tobacco Co., Rocky Mount, N.C., two counts, $15,000 in fines.

-Casalee America Corp., Winston-Salem, N.C., one count, $10,000 fine, $67,000 in restitution.

-Bluegrass Tobacco Co., Maysville, Ky., two counts, $15,000 fine.

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#90271u0793 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 28) UPI - Time is growing short for budget negotiators to reach agreement on a deficit-reduction package. Talks broke up early this morning with negotiators reportedly close to a deal, but still NOT agreed on the critical tax issue. The talks resume later today. If NO agreement is reached by Monday, automatic spending cuts of up to 105-BILLION dollars will go into effect. .

In other economic news, the Commerce Department says the index of leading economic indicators slipped one-point-two percent in August. It's the largest decline this year, and another sign of a slowdown in the economy. Seven of the 11 indicators dropped last month following the turmoil in the Middle East. Oil prices have more than doubled since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2nd.

Japan's Prime Minister Kaifu is en route to New York, the first stop on a 12-day trip aimed at convincing the world Japan is doing its part in the Persian Gulf. His four days in the United States include a meeting with President Bush tomorrow, and a speech at the U-N Children's Summit on Sunday. On Monday, Kaifu leaves for visits to Egypt, Jordan, Turkey, Saudi Arabia and Oman. .

Today, Bush meets with the exiled Emir of Kuwait at a luncheon Bush is hosting in his honor. Sheikh Japer Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah yesterday spoke to the U-N General Assembly in New York. He pleaded for help in liberating Kuwait from Iraqi occupation, and said the fate of his country is in their hands. .

The nine-year-old son of a French military officer was killed today when grenades were thrown into a cafe in the East African nation of Djibouti. NO one claimed responsibility, but pro-Iraqi guerrillas are suspected. The cafe is near a French military base and is popular among military personnel. Djibouti is a former French colony on the Red Sea used as a staging area for sending French troops to the Persian Gulf.

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#90271u0805 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
WEST BERLIN (SEPT. 28) UPI - The newly-unified opposition Social Democratic

Party Friday elected Oskar Lafontaine to challenge Chancellor Helmut Kohl in Dec. 2 all-German elections.

Only two of the nearly 500 delegates present voted against Lafontaine. Lafontaine had insisted on a secret vote instead of the traditional show of hand, so as to test the true level of support he commands within the party.

The SPD, the leading opposition in both East and West Germany will remain the largest opposition party after Oct. 3 German unification to the conservative-led government of Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

Because elections will not be held until Dec. 2, Kohl, now West German chancellor, will automatically become the head of united German government.

''The SPD has won every (regional) election in West Germany this year, Lafontaine told delegates before he was confirmed as the SPD candidate. ''Others win opinion polls, we win elections,'' he said to loud cheering.

Lafontaine had been criticized earlier by East German members of the opposition party for what they regarded as his attempts to block Kohl's plans for swift German unification.

The majority of Germans interviewed by research institutes recently, said if national elections were held today, rather than Dec. 2 they would vote for the CDU and would want Kohl to remain chancellor.

The SPD hopes to eventually derive political benefits by placing social issues at the heart of its campaign program, at a time when East Germans are likely to feel the full blast of unification.

East Germany, which has been plunged virtually overnight in a free market system after 40 years of hardline Communism, has been hit by a crippling economic crisis, marked by a dramatic increase in unemployment levels.

The East German SPD was re-established last October, 43 years after Social Democrats - in what was then the Soviet-occupied zone of Germany - were forced to merge with the Communist party to form the Socialist Unity Party, which ruled East Germany with an iron fist until it was ousted last fall.

Thursday, less than one week before German unification, the East and West German Social Democratic parties merged into a single organization pledging to help the new Germany ''find its place in a peaceful Europe.''

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#90271u0819 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Lawrence O'Brien, the chairman of the Democratic National Committee during the Watergate scandal that drove Richard Nixon out

of office, died Thursday night, a spokeswoman said Friday.

A spokeswoman for Joseph Napolitan, a longtime friend of O'Brien's, said O'Brien died at about 6:30 p.m. Thursday night at New York Hospital at the age of 73, of complications resulting from cancer.

O'Brien also was commissioner of the National Basketball Association from 1975 until his retirement in 1985.

O'Brien, a consummate political strategist, was the mastermind in the presidential campaigns of John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson and Hubert H. Humphrey. As party chairman he was caught in a vise that was pressed by liberals on one side and conservatives on the other.

His office in the Watergate building complex was the scene of the bungled break-in that eventually resulted in Nixon's resignation and the imprisonment of leading figures in the Republican administration.

There were many theories behind the break-in, which failed when a guard detected the presence of the burglars and caused them to be arrested and identified as hirelings of the Nixon administration. O'Brien said he believed the Nixon administration, campaigning for re- election against the Democrats' George McGovern, was trying to obtain information that would ruin the party and the chairman.

''It is as simple as that,'' O'Brien said.

O'Brien was born July 7, 1917, in Springfield, Mass., to Irish immigrants. His father was a Democratic Party leader in Springfield, exposing him to politics at an early age.

He attended night classes at Northeastern University in Boston to get his law degree. After serving in the Army in World War II, O'Brien worked for Rep. Foster Furcolo, D-Mass., and in 1952 he directed John Kennedy's successful campaign for the U.S. Senate. Kennedy put O'Brien in charge of his 1960 campaign in which Nixon was defeated in his first bid for the presidency.

Following Kennedy's assassination in 1963, O'Brien worked as a special assistant to Johnson and directed the LBJ campaign against Sen. Barry Goldwater in 1964. Johnson rewarded O'Brien by appointing him postmaster general in 1965.

As postmaster general, O'Brien was instrumental in preparing the report that took his department out of Cabinet status and made it a semi-public corporation.

When Robert F. Kennedy made his bid for the Democratic presidential nomination after Johnson had taken himself out of the race, O'Brien joined the slain

president's brother's staff. After Robert Kennedy was assassinated in Los Angeles, O'Brien became Humphrey's campaign manager in his unsuccessful race against Nixon in 1968.

O'Brien became DNC chairman in 1970. The party, divided after the loss of the presidency to Nixon and deeply criticized as a result of anti-war riots during the nominating convention in Chicago, was in a shambles. The Vietnam War had become a major issue and the party was split between hawks and doves.

After McGovern's defeat in 1972, O'Brien stepped down as committee chairman. He worked on his autobiography, ''No Final Victories,'' published in 1974.

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#90271u0830 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 28) UPI - Widespread selling and profit-taking pressured grain and soybean futures on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Midmorning prices were mixed but mostly lower in quiet trading.

The market had opened higher in a continuation of Thursday's rally, but soon turned lower as buying interest faded.

Favorable harvest conditions continued to pressure corn and soybeans. Although harvest activity picked up this week, country movement has been light as farmers hold out for higher prices.

The prospect of near-term export business also was supportive, but exporters reported little interest at midmorning.

Delivery notices for October soybean meal were heavier than expected which limited the gains in meal and soybean futures.

Wheat had early support from the quarterly grain stocks report which was considered bullish, but then retreated on profit-taking and liquidation ahead of the weekend.

Interior and Gulf basis levels were steady.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.27 3/4 up 1/4; Mar 2.37 1/4 unch; May 2.42 3/4 off 1/4.

Soybeans Nov 6.17 1/4 off 2; Jan 6.31 3/4 off 2; Mar 6.44 1/2 off 1 3/4; May 6.54 off 1 1/2.

Wheat Dec 2.76 1/4 off 1 1/4; Mar 2.90 off 2; May 2.97 1/2 off 1 1/4.

Oats Dec 1.19 1/2 up 3 1/2; Mar 1.29 1/2 up 3 1/4; May 1.36 1/2 up 3 1/4.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Sep. 28:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	59	15
Amsterdam cy	1pm	59	15
Ankara c	3pm	74	24
Athens pc	2pm	81	27
Auckland cy	12m	57	14
Beijing c	8pm	69	21
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	56	13
Bonn pc	1pm	62	16
Brussels c	1pm	63	17
Cairo c	2pm	92	33
Casablanca pc	12n	82	28
Copenhagen r	1pm	53	12
Dakar c	12n	87	30
Dublin cy	1pm	63	17
Geneva c	1pm	58	14
Helsinki pc	2pm	51	10
Hong Kong pc	8pm	81	27
Jerusalem c	2pm	83	28
Karachi c	5pm	88	31
Lisbon r	1pm	77	25
London c	1pm	67	19
Madrid cy	1pm	80	27
Malta c	1pm	82	28
Manila c	8pm	86	30
Moscow r	3pm	45	07
Nairobi pc	3pm	79	26
Nassau pc	7am	80	27
New Delhi	6pm	-	-
Nice c	1pm	73	23
Oslo pc	1pm	57	14
Paris	1pm	64	18
Pretoria c	2pm	77	25
Riyadh	3pm	96	35
Rome c	1pm	77	25
Seoul pc	9pm	68	20
Sofia r	2pm	51	10
Stockholm cy	1pm	52	11

Sydney cy	10pm	60	15
Taipei c	8pm	77	25
Tokyo cy	9pm	73	23
Tunis c	1pm	83	28
Vienna pc	1pm	61	16
Warsaw pc	1pm	51	11
Latin America			
Buenos Aires pc	9am	56	14
Caracas cy	8am	75	24
Havana c	7am	74	24
Lima cy	7am	59	15
Mexico City hz	6am	54	12
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	71	22
Santiago c	8am	47	09
Canada			
Calgary c		59	15
Edmonton cy		68	20
Montreal cy		67	19
Ottawa cy		68	19
Regina c		62	16
Toronto c		73	22
Vancouver c		67	19
Winnipeg pc		55	12

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-91.75 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.40-2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 134.62 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 45.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $459.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 282.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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#90271u0835 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

SALT LAKE CITY (SEPT. 28) UPI - Mormon Church President Ezra Taft Benson, the 91-year-old spiritual leader to the world's 7.5 million Mormons, Friday ate for the first time since undergoing two brain surgeries within five days.

''He took his first solids in a week for breakfast this morning, so his appetite looks good. He is still in fair condition,'' church spokesman Don LeFevre.

Benson underwent surgery Sept. 19 to remove two blood clots, one on either side of his head, that had been causing severe headaches and difficulty in swallowing. He underwent surgery again Sept. 23 to drain fluid from his brain.

''He is sitting up periodically during the day and conversing,'' LeFevre said.

Benson, the 13th president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter- day Saints was named to the church's top leadership position Nov. 10, 1985, following the death of Spencer W. Kimball, who also suffered from subdural hematomas - build-ups of fluid inside the skull.

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#90271u0843 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (SEPT. 28) UPI - CT Financial Services Inc. said Friday it signed an agreement to pay $150 million for a majority stake in Rochester, N.Y.- based First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Rochester.

First Federal is a mutual savings and loan association with $5.6 billion in assets and employs 1,350 people at 65 retail banking offices in New York state.

John Richardson, executive vice-chairman of CT Financial, said as part of the proposed deal First Federal will be demutualized - depositors will no longer own the company - to a stock company.

CT Financial will retain 85 percent of the company and will allow depositors an opportunity to purchase up to 15 percent, he said.

The mutual conversion involves CT Financial paying $150 million into the treasury of First Federal, Richardson said.

Richardson said the proposed deal is not expected to close for up to six months due to its complexity and regulatory approvals required.

First Federal is a ''healthy thrift'', dating from 1981-1982 when a number of smaller, troubled thrifts were amalgamated, he said.

Richardson said First Federal's management team will remain in place.

CT Financial is a holding company whose main subsidiary, Canada Trust, provides a range of financial services to retail, trust and real estate sales customers at more than 500 branches in Canada.

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#90271u0848 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 28) UPI - Police have cracked one of the world's biggest illegal rhino-horn and elephant-tusk operations, shutting off an Africa-to-Asia smuggling pipeline, officers announced Friday.

Police valued the tusks and horns at $2.73 million. Police arrested two Taiwanese citizens caught with 29 rhino horns and in a related swoop caught another Taiwanese and a South African who had seven tusks and allegedly tried to send 81 horns to Taiwan, said Capt. Pieter Lategan of the Endangered

Species Protection Unit.

Lategan said the horns and tusks probably were sent from Malawi via Swaziland to South Africa to be processed in Taiwan for sale as aphrodisiacs and pain-killer powder, adding the smuggling operation was one of the biggest uncovered anywhere.

''We cut off this route to the Far East,'' Lategan said.

Rhino Foundation official and conservationist Clive Walker praised police for their ''brilliant'' work in uncovering the racket.

Police Maj. Gen. Herman Stadler said stiffer penalties than the customary fines and suspended jail terms were required to constitute ''a real deterrent.''

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $408.30 silver base of $4.80 and platinum price of $433.00:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$425.00	420.00
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	218.00	215.40
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	112.00	110.60
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	46.50	45.60
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	425.00	420.00
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	218.00	215.50
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	112.00	111.10
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	46.50	45.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	432.00	426.80
China Panda .50 troy oz.	222.50	219.90
China Panda .25 troy oz.	115.50	114.50
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	50.00	49.30
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	30.00	29.40
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	425.00	419.70
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	218.00	214.50
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	110.00	108.30
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	47.00	46.60
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	424.00	418.60
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	219.00	216.50
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	112.50	111.10
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	48.00	47.10
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	424.00	418.50

Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	218.50	215.20
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	92.50	91.10
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	48.50	47.70
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.50	24.10
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.25	$6.18
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,480	$3,450
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,525	$1,500
Platinum		
Australian Koala	455.00	463.00
Isle of Man Noble	443.00	452.00
Canada Maple Leaf	455.00	463.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90271u0867 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock Split				
Oregon Steel Mills - 2-for-1				
Increased				
ConAgra Inc	Q	.17 1/4	10-9	10-5
Summcorp	Q	.18	11-1	10-15
Usual				
Ampco-Pittsburgh	Q	.07 1/2	10-31	10-15
Central Maine Pwr	Q	.39	10-31	10-10
Clarcor	Q	.19 1/2	10-26	10-10
Cmmnwlth Energy Sys	Q	.73	11-1	10-15
Delmarva Pwr & Lt	Q	.38 1/2	10-31	10-12
Espey Mfg & Elec	Q	.60	11-29	10-30
Fidelity Natl Finl	Q	.12	11-2	10-19
Franklin AGE	M	.032	10-15	10-1
Franklin Cal Tx Fr	M	.042	10-15	10-1
Franklin Corp Cash	M	.142	10-15	10-1
Franklin Fed Tx Fr	M	.066	10-15	10-1

Franklin Inv Grade	M	.061	10-15	10-1
Franklin NY Tx Fr	M	.066	10-15	10-1
Franklin US Govt	M	.056	10-15	10-1
Phoenix Hi Quality	M	.06	10-4	9-27
Phoenix Hi Yld	M	.062	10-4	9-27
Weiss Peck Greer Fd	Q	.11	10-1	9-28

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (SEPT. 28) UPI - Bulk selling prices reported by USDA:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 59-65.

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#90271u0872 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Larry O'Brien, the NBA commissioner who introduced the innovative salary cap that solidified the league's financial foundation, died Thursday night. He was 73.

A New York Hospital spokeswoman said Friday he died at about 6 p.m. EDT Thursday night. A spokeswoman for Joseph Napolitan, a longtime friend of O'Brien's, said the death resulted from complications from cancer.

O'Brien, who was elected commissioner in 1975 and served nine years, came to the NBA after compiling one of the longer resumes in government service.

He was the chairman of the Democratic National Committee during the Watergate scandal that drove Richard Nixon out of office. He was appointed Postmaster General and special assistant to the Kennedy and Johnson administrations. He ran the presidential campaigns of Kennedy, Johnson, Robert Kennedy and Hubert Humphrey.

During his tenure as commissioner the NBA absorbed four teams from the American Basketball Association, settled protracted labor problems with the players' union, struck lucrative television contracts and introduced anti-drug programs.

O'Brien succeeded Walter Kennedy as commissioner, and the league was on

unsteady ground early in O'Brien's term. Attendance was down and a handful of teams were on the brink of collapse. The league was close to losing its standing as a major professional league.

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#90271u0879 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (SEPT. 28) UPI - The United Auto Workers union said Friday it expects to announce Monday that its members have overwhelmingly approved the new three-year labor pact reached with General Motors Corp. early last week.

While neither GM nor the UAW have disclosed partial voting results, many locals already have strongly endorsed the new pact, reached Sept. 17 after the original Sept. 14 deadline was extended.

''We hope to have an announcement by early Monday,'' UAW spokesman Reg McGhee said, adding that voting has been going very well.

Barring any sudden change in voting patterns, it could be the largest approval margin ever. In 1984, the last time the UAW chose to negotiate its contract first at GM, the pact barely won ratification with a 53 percent approval.

As of Friday, about half of the 155 UAW locals representing GM workers already cast their votes in favor of the pact, which the UAW will use as a ''pattern'' for 1990-93 labor contracts at Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp.

The union is expected to take the GM pact to Ford first, which analysts say may want to trade some job security provisions for lower pension costs. But fitting the pact to Chrysler may be difficult, since top executives of the No. 3 carmaker have openly called it unaffordable.

The pact includes a $4-billion income security package backed by GM that makes it extremely costly for the giant carmaker to shrink its workforce of about 280,000 active workers - although industry experts believe GM will have a significantly smaller workforce by the time the pact expires in 1993.

The pact has won strong approval at locals that have traditionally opposed top UAW leaders, instead choosing to align themselves with a dissident movement called New Directions. Those include UAW Local 160 in Warren, Mich.; Local 276 in Arlington, Texas; and Local 1999 in Oklahoma City.

The agreement even received an 87.9 percent approval rate by members of UAW Local 653 in Pontiac, Mich., which was hit hard by several GM plant closings during the 1987-90 agreement.

That local still faces a one-year phaseout and eventual shutdown of an engine plant that will begin in May 1991, affecting 2,200 of its 9, 000 active workers.

''We like the national package, but we're not settled locally,'' UAW Local 653 President Dick Long said. ''The engine plant issue is still very much alive, and we have been negotiating for the past seven weeks with some progress.''

Long said that unlike several other locals, his members were given all of last weekend and four days to vote after being provided the contract highlights and chances to attend information sessions.

''This pact has also taken care of a lot of retirees and a lot of folks who just flat ran out of benefits, like those at our Fiero plant,'' Long said, adding his local membership also includes 6,000 retirees and 6,500 laid-off workers.

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#90271u0880 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - Push is rapidly getting close to shove as Congressional negotiators try to hammer out a fiscal 1991 budget. They doN'T have much time. The fiscal year begins Monday and automatic budget cuts will begin unless an agreement is reached. Attempts at reaching an accord recessed early this morning without movement on the critical tax issue. More meetings are scheduled for later today.

The Commerce Department is out with more signs of a slowing economy. The August list of leading economic indicators dropped one-point-two percent, the worst decline of the year and the largest since November of 1987. Seven of the 11 items making up the list were down in August. Analysts will now wait to see what September brings as the true impact of the Persian Gulf crisis becomes more evident.

Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu left Tokyo today heading for the United States, where he hopes to convince Americans that Japan is doing its share to end the Persian Gulf crisis. Kaifu meets with President Bush tomorrow and speaks to the U-N Children's Summit in New York on Sunday. His 12-day trip will also take him to the Middle East, where he'll discuss Japan's promise of two- BILLION-dollar in aid to front-line states in the crisis.

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#90271u0892 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - Sentences of life in prison have been handed down in the Philippines against a general and 15 soldiers convicted in the 1983 assassination of opposition political leader Benigno Aquino. The husband of Philippine President Corazon Aquino KEE'-noh was killed as he stepped off an airplane in Manila while returning from exile. His death sparked the civilian revolt that led to the ouster of Ferdinand Marcos and the election of his widow as president.

Cambodia's Vietnamese-backed government today made its third set of cabinet changes in two months. Official Phnom Penh radio reports that two provincial Communist Party officials were suspended for ''investigation.'' The broadcast didn't mention the cause of the investigation. The report also says the trade minister was retired and nine other senior party and government officials were transfered in a shakeup intended- quote- ''to enhance the efficiency of the party-state leadership.''

South Africa Black leader Nelson Mandela is planning his first visit to the Soviet Union. The African National Congress says Mandela will leave next month on a trip that will also take him to India and Australia. The two countries have been leading proponents of world sanctions to force an end to 42 years of white minority rule in South Africa. And the Soviet Union helped bankroll the A-N-C's 29-year armed struggle against Pretoria.

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#90271u0969 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (SEPT. 28) UPI - More than 15,400 striking Canadian steelworkers continued to man picket lines Friday, almost two months after walking out, as talks aimed at reaching settlements with Algoma Steel Corp. Ltd. and Stelco Inc. remained stalled.

The members of the United Steelworkers of America went on strike Aug. 1. Provincial mediators have met with the various parties several times and are in regular contract with them, a Ministry of Labor spokesman said.

He said mediators are expected to meet separately with representatives of the union and Algoma in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, next week to see if there are grounds to resume talks. The two sides broke off talks Aug. 24.

About 5,400 steelworkers are employed at Algoma, a subsidiary of Canada's largest steel maker, the Hamilton, Ontario-based Dofasco Inc.

On Thursday, talks between the steelworkers' Local 1005 and Stelco's Hilton Works broke off after six weeks. The local represents some 6,000 of the 10,000 Stelco workers off the job in Ontario, Quebec and Alberta.

Provincial mediator Trevor Stevenson said that a great deal of progress had been made but that ''several major monetary and language issues still have to be resolved.''

The union is seeking ''significant'' wage hikes, pension improvements and job-security guarantees against contracting out.

Talks on new contracts between the union and Algoma and Stelco began in May.

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#90271u0994 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
ALBANY, NY (SEPT. 28) UPI - A couple found out on moving day that the key didn't fit the lock of their new home because the house never belonged to the people who sold it.

Police said Geraldine and Carmen Sharpe were preparing to move into what they thought was their new home when they found it was occupied by its true owners.

Police said Elaine and Carlton Phoenix sold the Sharpes a fraudulent rental contract for $1,250 that included an option to buy the house.

It did not take long for the Sharpes, who did not consult with an attorney before trying to buy the house, to find out the Phoenixes never owned it.

They contacted police, who promptly arrested the Phoenixes and charged them with grand larceny in connection with the flimflam.

There is no word yet on whether the Sharpes will be able to recover their payment.

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#90271u1006 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (SEPT. 28) UPI - Stock prices weakened in light trading on the London International Stock Exchange Friday amid growing fears of renewed Persian Gulf tensions and soaring oil prices, while the Frankfurt Stock Exchange continued to move lower.

In London, the blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 9.1 points Thursday, fell 18.9 points to 1,990.2. The narrower top 30 industrial average fell 12.4 points to 1,535.7.

Volume amounted to around 403 million shares, down from the 428 million that changed hands Thursday.

Stocks opened sharply lower, with investors taking their cue from the falling Tokyo market and from midday expirations of futures and options contracts.

But the sell-off was cemented when prices for Brent crude oil for November delivery began to push toward the $40-a-barrel barrier, analysts said.

Imperial Chemical Industries, one of Britain's bellweather stocks, tumbled 36 cents to $14.58.

Credit Suisse issued a report downgrading its profit forecast for the company. Analysts said the chemical group's woes came about as a result of lower

industry demand and higher prices for raw materials.

The ICI news pushed the market lower, with blue-chip issues lower across the board.

Among some of the blue chips, Glaxo fell 36 cents to $13.10, Cadbury lost 16 cents to $5.52 and United Biscuits fell 23 cents to $5.54.

Beleaguered leisure group Brent Walker fell 41 cents to $1.87 on continued controversy surrounding a money wrangle with Grand Metropolitan over bookmaker William Hill. Grand Met and Brent Walker jointly own the company.

Stocks fell sharply on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange in active trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which lost 27.91 points Thursday, fell another 19.19 points to 1,334.89. Friday's trading translated into a 1.4 percent decrease.

Traders said the latest sell-off on the Tokyo Stock Exchange - where the Nikkei Average tumbled 788.41 points to 20,983.50, its lowest level in 3 1/2 years - encouraged investors in Frankfurt to sell stocks.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Sales of stock, bond and income mutual funds totaled $13.4 billion in August, the Investment Company Institute reported Friday.

The figure compared with total sales in July of $12.5 billion and sales of $11.7 billion in August 1989.

Assets of all mutual funds were $1.04 trillion in August, down from $1.055 trillion in July.

Assets of long-term funds decreased to $554.7 billion in August from $586.5 billion in July. Assets of short-term funds increased to $485 billion in August from $468 billion in July.

Sales of stock mutual funds totaled $5.1 billion in August, down from $5.9 billion in July.

Sales of bond and income mutual funds totaled $8.3 billion, compared with $6.6 billion in July.

Total redemptions were $9.2 billion in August, compared with $8.3 billion in July. Equity fund redemptions were $4.6 billion, compared with $4.3 billion in July. Bond and income fund redemptions were $4.6 billion compared with $4.0

billion in July.

Exchanges into stock funds were $3.9 billion, while exchanges out of stock funds were $7 billion. Exchanges into bond funds were $2 billion, and exchanges out of bond funds were $4.3 billion. Exchanges are investments redeemed from one fund and moved to another fund in the same fund group or complex.

''Mutual fund shareholders reacted with calm to the sharp declines in stock and bond prices in the month of August,'' said Jacob Dreyer, vice president and chief economist at the institute. ''About $2.6 billion in assets (on a net basis) left equity funds, while bond funds actually enjoyed net inflow of about $1.4 billion.

''Despite generally adverse market conditions, it appears many mutual fund investors are continuing to take a long-term view. However, the drop in values of bond, and especially equity portfolios, caused a substantial shrinkage of long-term fund assets,'' he said. ''Conversely, short-term funds benefited not only from transfers of monies from stock and bond funds, but also from continuing high net sales. As a result, assets of short-term funds reached their highest level ever.''

The Washington-based institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds monthly and weekly.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - The largest gathering ever of world leaders this weekend promises tactical headaches, gridlock nightmares and a whopping overtime bill for the Big Apple's police department.

Hundreds of city cops were expected work around the clock with federal and foreign law enforcement officials to guard the more than 60 heads of state - kings, presidents and prime ministers - in town for the United Nation's World Summit for Children.

''It's a headache, no two ways about it,'' said Deputy Chief William O'Sullivan, commanding officer of the police department's intelligence division.

Among those expected to attend the summit were President Bush, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, President Thurgut Ozal of Turkey, and the ousted emir of Kuwait, Sheik Jaber Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah.

O'Sullivan said authorities were especially concerned about some 20 high-risk

heads of state, declining to name exactly who, saying only that a ''significant number'' were Arab leaders.

O'Sullivan said the crisis in the Middle East definitely led to beefed up security.

''We have prioritized people for their threat potential. There's an awful lot of factors involved,'' the chief said, adding, ''I can't discuss specifics.''

Some 50 officials from the department's traffic, intelligence and patrol units met Wednesday with authorities from the State Department, FBI, and Secret Service to coordinate efforts to guard the world leaders, said Assistant Chief Michael Walsh, commanding officer of the Manhattan south patrol borough.

The police force in midtown and lower Manhattan, where most of the activities will take place, will be doubled over the weekend and nearly tripled on Monday in accordance with the goings-on at the U.N., Walsh said.

The State Department was expected only to partially reiumburse the city for the overtime cost of adding 800 extra officers on Saturday, 950 added cops on Sunday and 1,600 extra officers on Monday, Walsh said.

Among the special units on alert throughout the weekend was the department's bomb squad unit, O'Sullivan said.

Walsh said he did not know how much the money the massive security detail and traffic control operation would cost the department, but a spokesman for Mayor David Dinkins said the bill was sure to run in the millions of dollars.

Some of the officers will ''freeze'' the streets wherever Bush and his 40-car motorcade plans to go - an action authorities said will mean delays for both pedestrians and drivers throughout the weekend.

Inspector John Murphy, commanding officer of the department's traffic division said drivers should expect delays in lower and midtown Manhattan as well as on the streets surrounding the U.N., the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, where Bush was expected to be staying, and the Jacob Javits Convention Center.

Pedestrians may run into their own hassles maneurving around the 19 demonstrations police said they have been notified were being planned for the weekend.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - Tehran Radio reports large crowds gathered in Tehran today to protest against U-S forces in the Persian Gulf region. Also, South Korea says it's closing its embassy in occupied Kuwait City and evacuating the

staff. And the Emir of Kuwait meets with President Bush at the White House today.

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Officials in the East African nation of Djibouti say suspected pro-Iraqi terrorists threw three grenades into two crowded cafe terraces near a French military base today. The nine-year-old son of a French military officer was killed and 16 others were wounded. Djibouti is a former French colony.

Budget talks recessed very early this morning without bi-partisan negotiators agreeing on a final deficit-cutting package. House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois says- ''We're so close and yet so far.'' He says negotiators will use today's talks to- as he put it- ''wrap this thing up.''

Recessionary fears and higher oil prices combined to drive seven of the nation's 11 major economic indicators lower in August The result was the worst decline of the year. The Commerce Department index was down one-point-two percent, the biggest drop since just after the 1987 stock crash.

Lawrence O'Brien, the chairman of the Democratic National Committee during the Watergate scandal, is dead at the age of 73. A spokeswoman for Joseph Napolitan, a longtime friend of O'Brien's, says O'Brien died at early last night at New York Hospital of complications resulting from cancer.

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#90271u1062 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (SEPT. 28) UPI - Five major oil companies were cleared Friday of charges of price fixing by the Office of Fair Trading, which said they have not taken advantage of the Persian Gulf crisis to reap excessive profits.

Shell, Esso, Texaco, British Petroleum and Mobil have not conspired to set prices at gasoline pumps since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 and the producers' profits are normal for current conditions in a competitive market, according to a report on a month-long investigation conducted by the office.

''Excess profits do not appear to be generated at retail, wholesale or, to any great extent, refining stages of the industry,'' said the report issued by Sir Gordon Borrie, the agency's director general.

''Neither the absolute levels of U.K. petrol price nor the way they react to international price changes has been unreasonable over the period we studied.''

Esso announced its sixth price increase since Aug. 2 on Thursday, when it raised the price of premium gas to $4.50 per imperial gallon, which is one-fifth larger than a standard gallon. Shell was scheduled to follow suit Monday.

Before the Mideast crisis, the per-gallon cost was about $3.46.

Borrie made inquiries into the petrol-pricing policies of the five major companies operating in the United Kingdom after they raised prices as a result of tensions in the Persian Gulf. The price of a barrel of Brent crude oil has doubled in the past two months.

In the report, which covered price changes through Sept. 7, Borrie noted''windfall profits'' have been made by oil companies at the production stage, buthe this was normal for a competitive market and was not the result of any failure of competition within the industry.

He said it was a matter for general public policy, not competition policy, whether steps should be taken to moderate price rises or redistribute windfall profits through price controls, voluntary restraints or taxation.

The Office of Fair Trading's report came after the industry was cleared by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission earlier this year.

''My purpose has not been to duplicated the MMC investigation but to see how far the findings continued to hold good in the exceptional conditions created since the crisis broke out,'' he said.

No significant changes have occurred in the structure of the industry since the commission's findings, which showed that of more than 70 wholesalers with 11 refineries in the United Kingdom none had a market share of more than 25 percent, according to Borrie.

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PARIS (SEPT. 28) UPI - Suspected pro-Iraqi guerrillas hurled three grenades into two crowded cafe terraces near a French military base in Africa, killing a young French boy and injuring at least 17 other persons, officials said Friday.

Two men walked to the Cafe de Paris in the Red Sea port of Djibouti Thursday night and threw two of the grenades into the terrace packed with French military personnel and their families, said Anne Suard, first secretary at the French Embassy. The two sped off in a waiting taxi driven by an accomplice.

France maintains a permanent 4,000-man military garrison in Djibouti on the Gulf of Aden. The facility has served as a staging area for French military personnel on their way to the Gulf.

Witnesses said one of the grenades killed the 9-year-old son of an army non-commissioned officer and wounded at least 17 other persons, four of them

seriously. The other grenade tossed into the Cafe de Paris did not explode.

A third grenade that also failed to go off was found shortly after the explosion on the terrace of the L'Historil cafe several hundred feet from the Cafe de Paris, witnesses said.

Suard said that 15 of the 17 persons injured were French citizens.

President Francois Mitterrand expressed ''horror'' at the attack but said he was sure French forces would face up to the terror threat ''with determination and dignity.''

''Learning of the cowardly attack of which several members of the French forces and their families have been victims, I want to express all the horror such an act arouses in me,'' he said in a message to the commander of French forces in Djibouti.

No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack and the Foreign Ministry Spokesman declined to speculate who was responsible.

But official sources said they suspected pro-Iraqi guerrillas were responsible for the attack.

''Obviously we know what is hidden behind this attack,'' said one source.

A pro-Iraqi guerrilla leader, Palestine Liberation Front chief Mohammed Abul Abbas, this week threatened in an interview with Le Figaro newspaper to mount terrorist actions against the United States and Western European countries.

A military source said the grenades thrown Thursday night were Soviet-made, but no further details on them was available. All military personnel were ordered to return to their barracks. But Suard said no special security precautions had been taken by Djibouti authorities.

''Friday is a day off here, all is normal. People have gone to the country as usual,'' she said.

One of the French soldiers, who was injured in the leg by a grenade fragment, sought to pursue the assailants. But they fired several shots at him to cover their escape, a bystander told Antenne-2 television.

French radio commentators said the latest attack was an evident attempt to intimidate the French, who have sent an armada of 14 ships to the Gulf.

President Francois Mitterrand ordered 4,000 troops to Saudi Arabia following an assault by Iraqi troops on the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait City Sept. 14 in which three French citizens were seized.

Djibouti obtained independence from France in 1977.

The attack came just hours after the Defense Ministry announced that the aircraft carrier ''Clemenceau'' will return to its home port of Toulon from the Gulf region.

The Clemenceau was pulled out after landing its cargo of helicopters at the Saudi port of Yanbu to back up the French ground force, defense ministry officials explained.

Gen. Claude Gautier, commander of the French forces in Djibouti, said last month French forces would have to be alert against terrorist threats.

''Every time France has intervened militarily in the world or shown its strength, terrorists have thrown bombs.''

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#90271u1084 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 28) UPI - Farida al-Naccash, an opposition political leader, arrived at Cairo airport in plenty of time to catch a plane to Amman, Jordan, for a pan-Arab conference to protest U.S. policy in the Persian Gulf.

The state security police were determined, however, that she miss the flight, she says.

''They checked my passport even before I got into the terminal, and then they would not let me in,'' she said in an interview a week after she and another opposition leader were prevented from going to Amman for the controversial anti-American conference. ''They told me to get in the car and go home.

''When I asked why, they said to me, You know why.''

Al-Naccash, a member of the National Progressive Unionist party, is one of the few vocal critics in Egypt of President Hosni Mubarak's pro- Western stance in the gulf and the incident, diplomats say, shows dissent in Egypt at this critical time is frowned upon.

But they also say al-Naccash is a minority, and most Egyptians support Mubarak's decision to send 14,000 Egyptian troops to the gulf region to serve in a U.S.-led multinational force to counter Iraqi aggression.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has attempted to villify Mubarak as a traitor to the Arab cause, but his tirades have largely fallen on deaf ears in Egypt.

''Even on a bad day the opposition to Mubarak is never more than 10 percent of the population,'' said one Western diplomat in Cairo. ''It's always hard to say what public opinion is in Egypt, but on this one he has the people behind

him. There's really no opposition to speak of on this issue.''

Leaders of most of Egypt's opposition parties have come out in support of Mubarak's gulf policy and there have been none of the pro-Iraqi demonstrations in Egypt that have been common in other North African Arab states.

''I would say over 90 percent of the Egyptians support President Mubarak in this crisis situation,'' said Ibrahim Farag of the Neo Wafd Party, the largest opposition in Egypt to the ruling National Democratic Party.

''We have come out to declare several times we are backing the president on his foreign policy and Arab policy,'' Farag said in an interview in his spartan office at party headquarters. "On this issue, we are a united people."

Mubarak's support within Egypt is watched carefully by the State Department in Washington, ever conscious of America's spotty track record of backing leaders in crisis-prone regions only to have them fall at the hands of their own people.

''The shah of Iran is one glaring example, (Philippines President Ferdinand) Marcos is another,'' said another Western diplomat, who asked not to be identified.

Former Egyptian President Anwar Sadat gained the admiration of the United States and Western world when he signed a peace treaty with Israel in 1979, but he was assassinated only two years later by Moslem fundamentalists while he watched a military parade.

"Sadat was generally popular but he struck a deep chord in the fundamentalists, not only in Egypt but throughout the Arab world, when he made peace with the Israelis,'' said the Western diplomat. ''This is not the same situation at all. Mubarak does not have much to worry about from his own people.''

Sadat's vice president, Mubarak was appointed president following the assassination and was elected to a new six-year term in 1987 by a better than 90 percent margin.

Diplomats and opposition leaders say Mubarak has faced discontent with his domestic policies, particularly his attempts to revive Egypt's stagnating economy.

''We differ with him on internal questions,'' said the Wafd party's Farag. ''We protest the system that favors the one party and call for true democratic elections. But on the gulf situation, we are united.''

Al-Naccash readily admits there is little oppositon to Mubarak's gulf policy, but thinks it may grow as the crisis drags on.

''The Egyptian economy is seriously influenced by the gulf and I think the middle class (that supports Mubarak) will start to think differently when they are forced to change their lifestyles,'' she said. ''With time, things change.''

But for now Mubarak, who has been receiving a steady stream of international leaders in his summer residence in Alexandria, enjoys wide support within his country and in the world arena.

The Bush administration, grateful to have a regional leader who strongly supports the U.S. position in the gulf, has moved to ease some of the impact of the crisis on the Egyptian economy by attempting to have Congress forgive the country's $7.1 billion arms debt.

''Mubarak is not infallible, but obviously he is enjoying himself,'' said the Western diplomat, who has been in Cairo for several years. ''The economy may daunt him, but this kind of crisis he is very good at and it shows.''

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#90271u1124 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - The United States made its first grant for development assistance to the Soviet Union Friday with the commitment of $9.8 million in humanitarian aid for survivors of the December 1988 Armenian earthquake, which killed at least 25,000 people.

The Agency for International Development will funnel the money through three different groups of private voluntary relief organizations to provide medical treatment and pay for vocational and medical training in Armenia.

The devastating earthquake, the worst to hit the region in 80 years, leveled more than 50 cities and villages and damaged about 100 more, leaving tens of thousands of people homeless.

Armenian President Levon Ter-Petrosyan expressed concern at a State Department signing ceremony that Moscow's earthquake aid to his republic ''will fail and be aborted'' because of ''the economic crisis in the Soviet Union.''

Although AID gave $7 million in disaster aid to Armenia immediately after the earthquake, the new agreement marks the first time that a U.S. agency will provide development assistance to the Soviet Union. Armenia is one of 15 Soviet republics.

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OMAHA (SEPT. 28) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle none; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 1,200; butchers 1.00 lower, No 1-3 220- 260 lb 56.00-56.50, outside price mostly limited to 230-250 lb weights, No 2-3 270-300 lb 54.00-55.00; sows 20 percent, under 500 lb 50 higher, over 500 lb barely tested, steady, No 1-3 350-500 lb 46.00-46.50, 470-500 lb instances to 47.25, No 2-3 500-650 lb 48.00 in narrow test.

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DETROIT (SEPT. 28) UPI - Volvo North America Corp. announced Friday several organizational and management changes and designated a successor to Bjorn Ahlstrom as president and chief executive officer.

Ahlstrom, 56, will resign Dec. 31, 1991. He will be succeeded by Albert R. Dowden, who joined Volvo North America in 1974 as general counsel.

Dowden, 48, is now executive vice president. He will begin assuming his new responsibilities Oct. 1 to ensure a smooth transition, the company said.

In New York, a spokesman for Volvo North America, a wholly owned unit of AB Volvo in Sweden, said Ahlstrom decided to resign because the restructuring essentially leaves him with no power, since the Volvo North American units that had been reporting to him will now report to their respective product companies in Sweden.

''The reorganization leaves him with a role he is not comfortable with,'' the company official said, who noted that Ahlstrom will continue to represent Volvo on the boards of several unit companies and operating affiliates, including the one holding a 26 percent stake in car-rental firm Hertz Corp. through parent company Park Ridge Corp.

The spokesman said the changes were being made because of Volvo's alliance with French carmaker Renault, an agreement announced in February to lower the cost of future product development of cars, trucks and buses by joining their technical and industrial skills.

Under that arrangement, which is to scheduled to begin early next year, Volvo intends to acquire 20 percent in a parent company established by Renault, while Renault will acquire 10 percent of parent company Volvo and 25 percent of Volvo's car operations.

On Thursday, the Swedish government approved the alliance. The French government and the European Community have yet to approve it. No U.S. approval is required.

Under the restructuring, Joseph L. Nicolato, president of Volvo Cars North

America, will report directly to the president of Volvo Car Corp. in Sweden. Thage Berggren, president of Volvo GM Heavy Truck Corp., will report to the president of Volvo Truck Corp. in Sweden.

Volvo North America, which company officials say is profitable, moved its headquarters to New York last July, although its car operations are still headquartered in Rockleigh, N.J.

Volvo's U.S. car sales through the first eight months of 1990 stood at 64,646 units, down from 72,275 cars sold during the comparable 1989 period.

AB Volvo, headquartered in Gothenburg, Sweden, is a $15 billion industrial group that also has business interests in the aerospace, marine, industrial construction, food and pharmaceutical fields.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - In a half-empty meeting room, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee held its only hearing Friday on the treaty covering one of the most important events of the 20th century, the post-war reunification of Germany.

Only five of the panel's 19 members appeared to question State Department legal expert Robert Zoellick on the pact and perhaps the most controversial topic was whether President Bush even had to ask for the Senate's approval.

But Zoellick and committee members used the occasion to note the treaty's importance, both as a legal document and as a milestone, even though there will be one Germany Oct. 3 no matter what the Senate does.

Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., chairman of the committee, tentatively scheduled a committee vote on the agreement Tuesday in hopes of getting the treaty to the Senate floor in time for German reunification.

''History in our century has been dominated by two overarching events - successive world wars in the first half, and throughout the second half a great geopolitical rift which threatened to destroy life on our planet. The treaty before us today marks an end to both of these major events,'' Pell said.

Added Zoellick: ''The settlement marks the achievement of a long- standing goal of American foreign policy: the attainment of a united, democratic, sovereign Germany. ... This is the triumph of over 40 years of labor.''

The treaty, submitted to the Senate this week, was signed Sept. 12 by the four occupying powers from World War II - the United States, the Soviet Union, Great Britain and France - as well as West and East Germany.

Key provisions end four-power rights over Germany and Berlin and confine the united Germany to the borders of the two current German states.

Soviet forces would have to withdraw from what it now East Germany by 1994 while U.S., British and French troops would remain in Berlin through 1994 at the request of the German government.

The united Germany would remain in NATO, but following the withdrawal of Soviet troops, the treaty would bar NATO from stationing nuclear weapons or non-German NATO forces in what had been East German territory.

The Germans also renounced aggressive war and any intention to manufacture, possess, or control nuclear, biological or chemical weapons, and pledged to reduce their combined armed forces from the current 600,000 to 370,000.

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#90271u1168 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (SEPT. 28) UPI - Suspected pro-Iraqi guerrillas hurled three grenades into two crowded outdoor cafes near a French military base in Africa, killing a young French boy and injuring 17 other people, officials said Friday.

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One of the grenades exploded, killing instantly the 9-year-old son of an army non-commissioned officer and wounding at least 17 other people, four of them seriously. The other grenade tossed into the Cafe de Paris did not explode.

A third grenade also failed to go off. It was found a short time later after the explosion, lying on the terrace of the L'Historil Cafe, several hundred feet from the Cafe de Paris, witnesses said.

Suard said 15 French citizens and one Djiboutian were wounded. A 17th person, of German nationality, also was wounded in the blast, said Gen. Claude Gautier commander of French forces at the sand-swept former French colony.

Gautier also said unspecified measures would be taken to beef up security for the 4,000 French soldiers based at Djibouti and their 2,000 dependents living with them.

Djibouti police found the taxi used in the attack Friday abandoned some 20

miles southwest of the East African capital, Interior Minister Khaireh Allaleh Hared said.

Officers also found the original driver of the taxi who said he had been tied up and left some 12 miles southwest of Djibouti. The driver said four gunmen commandeered the taxi from him in front of a bar some three hours before the attack.

''Exceptional means have been put in place to find the wrongdoers,'' the minister said. For the moment ''no hypothesis is favored'' and ''no track will be neglected,'' said Hared.

President Francois Mitterrand expressed ''horror'' at the attack but said he was sure French forces would face up to the terror threat ''with determination and dignity.''

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One of the French soldiers, who was injured in the leg by a grenade fragment, sought to pursue the assailants. But they fired several shots at him to cover their escape, a bystander told Antenne-2 television.

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#90271u1175 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu began a 12-day tour today that will take him to the United States and the Middle East. Kaifu hopes to convince the world Japan is doing its part to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis. The Japanese leader will meet with President Bush in New York tomorrow and speak at the U-N Children's Summit on Sunday.

The politically sensitive issue of changing Social Security has reportedly been raised as Congressional negotiators try to come up with a 1991 budget that will work. Sources report Republicans are suggesting a three-month, or longer, freeze on cost-of-living increases. Democrats reportedly want to increase the 50 percent tax now placed on Social Security benefits going to retirees who earn at least 32-thousand dollars a year.

The obscenity case of a Cincinnati art gallery and its director opens today after the jury tours the gallery. The Contemporary Art Center and director Dennis Barrie are accused of violating obscenity laws last spring by displaying a controversial exhibit by the late photographer Robert Mapplethorpe. This is the first time an art institution has been accused of obscenity. The collection is now on display at Boston's Institute for Contemporary Arts.

China is changing parts of its outdated legal system October 1st and citizens will, for the first time, have the right to sue the government. But Western legal experts doubt if the traditionally court-shy Chinese will have the courage to make use of the new law. It is one of a series of measures China is using to modernize its legal system following the Cultural Revolution of the mid 1960's.

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#90271u1190 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - Activist groups asked a federal judge Friday to block the launch of the space shuttle Discovery, claiming the nuclear- powered Ulysses solar probe aboard the spaceplane poses a public hazard.

The Foundation for Economic Trends, the Florida Coalition for Peace and Justice and the Christic Institute asked U.S. District Judge Oliver Gasch to issue a preliminary injunction barring the long-awaited launch, now set for Oct. 6.

The groups argued the launch would endanger the public because the Ulysses probe contains 24 pounds of highly dangerous radioactive plutonium fuel that could be released if an accident occurred.

''After the Challenger explosion and the parade of NASA mishaps over the last several months, the public has every right to question NASA's assertions of safety,'' said Jeremy Rifkin of The Foundation on Economic Trends.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration should delay the flight to equip Ulysses with an advanced solar power system to replace the plutonium reactor, Rifkin said.

NASA has until Tuesday to respond in court. A space agency spokesman referred questions to attorney Sara Najjar, who was not immediately available.

If the Ulysses is not launched by Oct. 23, it will be delayed for more than a year to wait for the planets and the sun to be in the right places again.

Because rockets are not powerful enough to boost the 850-pound probe out of the solar system, Ulysses must be fired to distant Jupiter to use the giant planet's gravity to fling it out the solar system and back toward the south pole of the sun.

Ulysses was built by the European Space Agency to fly over the poles of the sun in an unprecedented mission to conduct the first three dimensional study of Earth's star.

Because it must operate at distances of up to 500 million miles from the sun, Ulysses is equipped with a 124-pound radioisotope thermoelectric generator, or RTG, loaded with 24 pounds of highly radioactive plutonium 238 dioxide to provide about 300 watts of electrical power.

For years, NASA said RTGs were the only power choice for deep space missions and solar power systems would be too big to be launched.

NASA now admits an advanced solar power system could be used for Ulysses but its addition would delay Ulysses' launch for years and push the cost far beyond the current $750 million.

In October 1989, NASA successfully launched the RTG-powered Galileo probe to explore Jupiter. Anti-nuclear groups tried to prevent that launch but a federal judge in Washington dismissed the action.

Rifkin said the groups may be successful this time because of a series of hydrogen fuel leaks that have grounded the space shuttle fleet since April, highlighting problems at NASA.

The hydrogen leaks have frustrated NASA officials, who have been trying to counter criticism of the space agency that began when the Hubble Space Telescope's embarrassing flaw was found.

The United States has launched 22 previous spacecraft equipped with RTGs, including the four Pioneer and Voyager deep space probes, the two Viking Mars landers, five Apollo lunar landing modules and the Galileo probe.

In three cases, launch failures or in-flight mishaps resulted in RTGs

inadvertantly re-entering Earth's atmosphere. Radiation was released in only one such incident, after which RTGs were redesigned to survive re- entry intact. Since then, the U.S. record has been perfect.

Nonetheless, anti-nuclear activists claim government agencies withheld safety data about Galileo's RTGs and the space agency underestimated the odds of an accidental plutonium release.

NASA claims an exhaustive $50 million test program conducted in the wake of the 1986 Challenger disaster proved the compact generators would survive any credible shuttle disaster.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - Published reports in Israel quote a rabbi who predicted that full-scale germ and chemical warfare would be used in a battle around the Jewish holiday of Succoth. The rabbi reportedly said it would lead to the start of the messianic age. The predictions were made in 1935, 55 years ago and involve analysis of Biblical prophecies. The holiday discussed comes on October 3rd this year.

Lawrence O'Brien, the head of the Democratic National Committee during the Watergate scandal, had died at the age of 73 of complications from cancer. A spokesman for Joseph Napolitan, a long-time friend of O'Brien's, says the political consultant died last night at New York Hospital. O'Brien's office in the Watergate building complex was the scene of the bungled break-in that led to President Nixon's resignation.

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Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	420.59	off 13.42	off 3.06
Growth & Income	660.97	off 12.80	off 3.40
Balanced	436.30	off 12.00	off 2.88
Average Fund Performances:			
Capital Appreciation (145)		off 14.54	off 3.94
Growth (260)		off 13.36	off 3.76

Small Co. Growth (83)	off 18.28	off 5.67
Growth & Income (200)	off 11.84	off 3.20
Equity Income (66)	off 12.52	off 2.86
Average 754 Equity	off 13.67	off 3.78
Health/Biotech (9)	up 1.24	off 4.52
Natural Resources (19)	off 1.96	off 3.56
Environmental (5)	off 16.54	off 6.62
Science & Technology (23)	off 15.58	off 5.51
Specialty/Misc (31)	off 15.18	off 4.48
Utility (15)	off 9.67	off 0.91
Financial Services (10)	off 25.55	off 6.25
Real Estate (6)	off 19.37	off 4.23
Option Income (10)	off 11.16	off 3.13
Global (43)	off 14.51	off 4.18
International (55)	off 14.92	off 4.21
European Region (17)	off 7.66	off 2.82
Pacific Region (18)	off 21.95	off 7.56
Gold Oriented (34)	off 13.12	up 2.83
Average All Equity (1044)	off 13.64	off 3.69
Flexible Portfolio (46)	off 7.48	off 2.17
Global Flexible Port (11)	off 6.54	off 1.41
Balanced (60)	off 7.07	off 2.02
Convertible Security (29)	off 9.85	off 2.94
Mixed Income (14)	off 4.92	off 1.40
Income (4)	off 8.07	off 2.36
World Income (44)	up 6.94	off 0.17
Fixed Income (537)	up 0.60	off 0.58
Average 1794 Funds	off 8.24	off 2.54
Median 1794 Funds	off 8.95	off 2.61
Unmanaged Market Indicators:		
DJ Industrial 2,427.48	off 11.83	off 3.61
S&P 500 300.97	off 14.84	off 3.37
S&P 400 355.10	off 11.99	off 3.41
NYSE Composite 165.36	off 15.22	off 3.42
Amex 305.43	off 19.20	off 3.71

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)

Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 28) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	78.85	79.12	78.60	79.05	79.00
Dec	76.00	76.60	75.85	76.45	76.25
Feb	74.50	74.80	74.37	74.70	74.60
Apr	75.35	75.35	75.00	75.05	75.35
Jun	73.05	73.05	72.70	72.85	73.10
Aug	71.60	71.65	71.22	71.22	71.75
Oct	71.60	71.62	71.32	71.32	71.60

Est. sales 12,291 contracts; Thursday 15,338; open interest 66,456 off 299.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	86.75	87.15	86.60	86.97	86.90
Nov	86.07	86.55	85.80	85.95	86.15
Jan	84.90	85.05	84.55	84.85	84.95
Mar	83.40	83.47	83.10	83.15	83.35
Apr	82.55	82.65	82.30	82.32	82.60
May	81.60	81.90	81.50	81.60	81.65

Est. sales 1,439 contracts; Thursday 2,186; open interest 11,417 off 116.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	53.92	54.95	53.80	54.82	53.85
Dec	52.00	52.80	51.82	52.70	51.80
Feb	49.15	49.90	49.15	49.85	49.27
Apr	46.25	46.65	46.25	46.52	46.42
Jun	49.70	50.00	49.70	49.85	49.80
Jly	50.00	50.00	49.80	49.95	50.00
Aug	48.70	48.70	48.30	48.70	48.70
Oct	44.50	44.50	44.35	44.47	44.20

Est. sales 7,410 contracts; Thursday 8,038; open interest 26,065 off 475.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	57.60	58.30	57.10	58.20	57.37
Mar	57.80	58.25	57.15	58.07	57.42
May	58.10	58.70	57.70	58.67	57.70
Jly	57.80	58.60	57.60	58.52	57.70
Aug	....	....	....	56.50	56.50

Est. sales 2,489 contracts; Thursday 3,075; open interest 5,756 up 32.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 123.47 down 6 cents, 700-850 lbs. 123.46 up 4 cents; select 1-3 550- 700 lbs. 116.87 down 12 cents, 700-850 lbs. 116.33 down 15 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were not fully tested; skinned hams and seedless bellies firm-2.00 higher in a light test; loins 14-18 lbs. 120.00, 18-22 lbs. 111.00;

butts 4-8 lbs. 82.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 97.00- 99.00, 20-26 lbs. 97.00, 32 lbs. and up 90.00- 90.50; bellies 12-14 lbs. 64.00, 14-16 lbs. 62.00.

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VATICAN CITY (SEPT. 28) UPI - Pope John Paul II warned Friday that the risk of war hangs over humanity and said ''our very future is at stake.''

The pope showed his anxiety over the situation created by the Persian Gulf crisis during a mass in St. Peter's Basilica commemorating his immediate predecessors, Popes Paul VI and John Paul I.

He led prayers for world peace ''at this moment in which the risk of war seems to hang over humanity and murderous violence is spreading.

''We are all profoundly aware that the peaceful coexistence of men is at stake and our very future is at stake,'' he said.

John Paul told the congregation that at the same time they were praying for his dead predecessors, ''we invoke for the world the gift of true peace, to this end asking their intercession with the Lord, the prince of peace.''

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#90271u1233 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - The Army announced the deactivation Friday of the 9th Infantry Division at Fort Lewis, Wash., eliminating about 7,900 military jobs and 347 civilian and military support positions in a budget-cutting move.

President Bush's fiscal 1991 budget proposal called for deactivating two Army divisions: the 9th Infantry at Fort Lewis and the 2nd Armored Division at Fort Hood, Texas., for a savings of $1.2 billion.

The 2nd Armored Division at Fort Hood was deactivated earlier this year.

In deactivating the 9th (Motorized) Infantry Division, the Army said it is setting up a separate motorized brigade at Fort Lewis and continuing work to move the 7th (Light) Infantry Division from Fort Ord, Calif., to Fort Lewis.

The Army said the deactivation of the 9th Infantry Division would eliminate approximately 7,900 military jobs from Fort Lewis by the end of fiscal 1992.

In addition, it said, the action will result in the reduction of approximately 226 civilian and 121 military-support jobs from a total civilian workforce at Fort Lewis of 3,842.

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WAGAH, PAKISTAN (SEPT. 28) UPI - Kulbir Singh Babrah is still hopping mad that the Indian bureaucrats in the Iraqi capital of Baghdad who refused to help him evacuate his Filipina wife and their three children to India.

''They refused to airlift my wife and my sister-in-law because they are not Indian citizens,'' said Babrah, 30, who until the invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2 had been a group sales manager for a private company based in the tiny emirate.

Babrah, an Indian citizen who is born and raised in Kuwait, eventually left the region with his family in their 1989 Toyoto Cressida, half-a-dozen suitcases strapped to the top luggage rack.

On Friday afternoon, Babrah and his family crossed the Indo-Pakistan border at Wagah, about 20 miles southeast of Lahore, along with about 115 other refugees fleeing the Gulf region.

Before crossing into India Babrah described his attempts to evacuate his family by air.

He said, he and his family reached Baghdad from Kuwait on Sept. 6 and contacted Indian diplomats and Air India officials to make arrangements for evacuation to India.

But Babrah said, he discovered passage to India was not free, that Indian citizens were required to pay for tickets in cash or sign a bond agreement so that their bank account in India could be debited the amount of the ticket.

''All other governments have airlifted their citizens free of charge, '' Babrah said.

Babrah's life savings are stuck in a Kuwaiti bank, so he did not have sufficient funds to cover the price of the tickets. Also, he did not have a bank account in India, which was required before he could fill out a bond form.

But the fact that Indian officials refused to airlift his Filipina wife, Evelyn, 30, and her sister, Emmalinda, 26, ruled out that option anyway.

''I wish I could have taken that guy's name in Baghdad,'' said Babrah, still fuming over the incident. ''He said I could take my kids but not my wife. It should not have been this way. I am at the point where I could give up my Indian citizenship.''

Babrah joined a group of about 115 other refugees and in a convoy of 47 cars drove from Baghdad through Turkey, Iran and Pakistan.

Most of the refugees were from Bangaldesh, which until the invasion of Kuwait

had 75,000 citizens working in Kuwait and 30,000 in Iraq.

So far about 48,000 of them have returned to Bangaldesh.

''The rest are being airlifted,'' Nasina Haider Mahbub, a first secretary of the Bangladesh High Commission, said at the border Friday.

She said the 1,250-mile journey to the Indo-Pakistan border took about one month and that at least another five days would be required for the convoy to reach Bangladesh.

Maj. Danyal Naveed Ahmad, commander of the Lahore camp for Persian Gulf refugees, said Pakistan's national logistics cell, a branch of the army, provided food, boarding, lodging, medical assistance, security and car repairs for the refugees while they were in Pakistan.

He said Friday's group was the third batch of refugees to cross from Pakistan into India since the crisis erupted.

''By the time they reached Pakistan they are physically and psychologically shattered,'' Ahmad said at the border. ''Because they have left their life-long earnings and belongings back in Kuwait and they have no way of getting them back.''

Refugees at Wagah border said they were relieved when they arrived in Pakistan last week.

''We are very happy,'' said Dr. Kumar Swamy, an Indian from the southern city of Bangalore. ''We feel like we are in our own country.''

Swamy said he fled Kuwait with his wife and 6-year-old son after living in the kingdom for the past five years.

''We had to leave our belongings,'' he said. ''And we have a lot of money, all our savings, stuck in Kuwait.''

Swamy said his group encountered other refugees who also were suffering.

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CHICAGO (SEPT. 28) UPI - The Illinois Supreme Court Friday ruled 3-year-old twins cannot be forced to undergo tests to determine whether they are suitable bone marrow donors for their dying 12-year-old half-brother.

The high court upheld a lower court ruling that said forcing James and Allison Curran of Elk Grove Village to undergo compatibility testing would be an unacceptable invasion of their privacy.

The decision came in the case of Jean-Pierre Bosze of Hoffman Estates, who is dying from a rare form of leukemia. The youngster's father, Tamas, sued, trying to force Nancy Curran, the mother of twins he fathered, to allow her children to undergo compatibility testing.

Curran's attorney, Beverly Pekala, and Bosze's lawyer, Edward Jordan, said the high court upheld a Cook County judge's ruling and that a written opinion would be filed later.

An obviously disappointed Jordan said time is running out for Jean- Pierre.

''It's apparent that Nancy's legal case was stronger than ours but it's also clear to me that her moral case has no basis at all,'' Jordan said. ''The difference between moral and legal reasons are very great. While she may have mounted a good legal position I do not think she's established a good moral position in any way, shape or form.''

Both attorneys had said there was no precedent in the nation in this type of case and Pekala had argued the forced donation of body parts would be a dangerous first.

Curran said during lengthy hearings on the case she sympathized with the plight of the boy, who turns 13 on Sunday, but did not want to risk any danger to her twins.

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#90271u1276 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 28) UPI - Reinaldo Figueredo, Venezuela's foreign minister, said Friday that ''concerted action'' between oil-producing and large-scale consumers is needed to put a lid on rising oil prices and avoid an energy crisis.

In an interview with United Press International, the minister praised President Bush's decision to tap the U.S. Strategic Petroleum Reserve but stressed all industrialized nations should start using their oil stockpiles.

''We most certainly agree with President Bush on this matter. But now it is important to see if all the other large consumer nations also start using their reserves, if the International Energy Agency goes along,'' said Figueredo, an economist.

In Paris, the IEA asked Friday that its 21 member countries ready their reserves for possible use.

''If we want to avoid an energy crisis, then we must make a concerted effort to avoid it,'' added Figueredo, speaking for his country, Latin America's

largest oil exporter. Venezuela has raised daily production by 25 percent from 2 million barrels, reacting to the shortage caused by the Persian Gulf crisis.

The minister added that ''if the large developed nations would dip into their oil inventories, they could contribute towards stabilizing oil prices.''

In the process, this would serve to lighten the economic load that oil-needy underdeveloped nations have to shoulder, he said.

Figueredo said that Venezuela was among those countries that sought to increase output once the Middle East crisis broke. ''But we did so institutionally, within the framework of the Organization of Petroleum exporting Countries,'' he added.

''The producer countries within OPEC sought an institutional framework in order to increase our own depleted inventories. We knew that once the 4 1/2 million barrels of oil from Kuwait and Iraq stopped flowing, there would be a sharp increase in demand because no matter what we might do to complement the gap it would not be enough.

''If our inventories rose, it would have served to maintain the consumer nation inventories. ... This would have a noticeable effect on stabilizing oil prices,'' Figueredo explained.

The minister played a pivotal role at a late August OPEC meeting in Vienna, where members gave OPEC nations that could increase their production the green light to do so.

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#90271u1279 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (SEPT. 28) UPI - A government plan for private ownership of businesses would give foreigners the opportunity to buy into small firms, but the bill's lukewarm support means it may face major changes in Parliament.

Government ministers who briefed the news media on the proposal Friday said the bill is intended to put as many small businesses as possible into private hands - and no questions would be asked about where the source of the money.

The government will sponsor privatization auctions to sell small businesses. The auctions will be open to Czechoslovak citizens as well as Czechoslovaks who left the country after the 1948 communist takeover and foreigners who have lived in Czechoslovakia for at least one year, said Deputy Finance Minister Dusan Triska.

Triska also said foreigners could work with Czechoslovak partners to buy into the businesses at auction. But for at least two years, foreigners would not be

able to hold title to the businesses.

''What are you waiting for? Buy, buy,'' Deputy Finance Minister Miroslav Zamiecnik quipped to a Western journalist during the briefing.

Privatization of shops and small businesses is the first step in a massive multi-year effort to return the economy to private hands and install a functioning free market.

The new proposal came after two days of token one-hour strikes by employees of small shops, restaurants and hotel who fear that wealthy speculators, prostitutes, cab drivers and former communist bureaucrats could use ill-gotten gains to buy out potentially lucrative businesses and fire the current staff.

The Czechoslovak crown is expected to be partially convertible by Jan. 1, 1991. Under current joint venture laws, 30 percent of hard- currency profits must be turned over to the state. Tax and ownership laws remain ill-defined at present.

A major stumbling block to privatization may be the government's plan to restore to the rightful owners property seized by the communist government. Ministers would not comment on this possibility.

Ministers also said a summit meeting on the bill Thursday with President Vaclav Havel and other federal and national officials revealed a deep split, which could slow the bill's passage into law.

Debate is to open on the bill Monday, but Havel has given it only lukewarm support. He said he favored an earlier proposal which would have given employees the right of first refusal.

''Let us hope the variant chosen by the government is not the wrong one,'' Havel told several Czech newspapers.

Commerce Minister Valsta Stepova criticized what she called ''the men'' who drafted the bill.

''If the government had been composed of women who have to go shopping, the outcome would have been different,'' she said. Stepova maintains that unless the current shopworkers are given a chance to run the businesses, the country's shopping network will be disrupted.

Under the proposal, workers would have 30 days to pay the first half of the purchase price for their place of employment and five years to pay the second half.

Local commissions will assess the worth of each business, and conduct the auctions. If businesses cannot be sold at their estimated price, the price can

be dropped as much as 50 percent to ensure a sale.

To prevent unemployment and the closing of shops in prime locations for conversion to more lucrative trades, all food shops must remain as they are for the next two years.

The minister for privatization, Tomas Jezek, said the government did not know how many small businesses would be bought by their employees.

''What we can say for sure is that the average price will be very low, and that ordinary people will be able to buy them,'' he said.

Czechoslovaks have saved the equivalent of about $10 billion and the government expects about 10 percent of this to be spent on privatization.

But reaction on the street was pessimistic. Jiri Drda, a butcher on Na Prikope a fashionable pedestrian street where several luxury goods stores already exist, said he is worried.

''If this shop is up for auction, we have no chance,'' he said. ''Those who want to launder their money can beat us easily. And who can guarantee us that a higher bidder wouldn't like to run a beauty parlor here instead?''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - Congress, seeking to further dampen fears of an energy crisis, moved swiftly Friday to allow the Energy Department to triple the size of a test oil sale from America's strategic petroleum reserve.

The House passed an emergency bill by voice vote to increase, to 15 million barrels from 5 million barrels, the amount of oil the department can remove from the reserve and sell on the open market under a ''test draw-down'' ordered Wednesday by President Bush.

Sens. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., and Carl Levin, D-Mich., planned to introduce a similar bill in the Senate later in the day.

Lawmakers, moving with unusual speed, acted a day after Energy Secretary James Watkins asked Congress for authority to triple the size of the oil reserve test.

Watkins said the purpose of such a drill is to check the government's ability to efficiently tap its 590 million-barrel emergency stockpile of petroleum, rather than to bring down the price of oil.

But he acknowledged that a test also ''shows resolve'' by the government to maintain an adequate supply of oil, and he said it would have a significant

''psychological impact'' on jittery energy markets.

Rep. Billy Tauzin, D-La., was more blunt Friday, saying the bill was intended as ''a signal to the traders on Wall Street that it is time to quit taking profits at the expense of the American people.''

Despite healthy commercial inventories of oil, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery soared to a record $39.45 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange Thursday, about $19 a barrel more than the day before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Rep. Edward Markey, D-Mass., called on Bush to exercise his existing authority to go beyond a test and order a full-scale release of oil from the reserve.

''Why aren't we flooding the oil market with 1 million barrels of oil a day?'' he said, adding that consumers in the Northeast could expect to pay an average of $500 more for home heating oil this winter than they did last winter.

Tauzin said 5 million barrels represents roughly one-third of one day's consumption of oil by the United States.

Bush, who signed legislation Sept. 15 giving him wider latitude to order a full-scale draw-down, has been reluctant to make such a move absent a demonstrable shortage in commercial petroleum supplies.

Recent oil price spikes, accompanied by rising retail prices in gasoline and home heating oil, have been attributed to market speculation rather than actual shortages since the Persian Gulf crisis began.

Administration officials have expressed fear that a major draw-down from the reserve could have the unintended effect of adding to market speculation.

Watkins said Thursday he expected oil prices ''to remain volatile,'' but predicted that supplies would be ''adequate to meet demand during the winter months,'' barring ''armed conflict, major accidents or unusual weather patterns.''

The flurry of activity on Capitol Hill came as the International Energy Agency was scheduled to meet in Paris to discuss an agenda that Watkins has said would include the possibility of a coordinated draw- down of strategic reserves by several industrialized nations.

The U.S. reserve was created in 1975 following the Arab oil embargo to ensure the United States a supply of oil during an energy crisis caused by events overseas, natural disasters or acts of sabotage. It has never been tapped for that purpose.

The law reauthorizing the reserve expands the president's discretion to draw

on it under a less severe circumstance ''that constitutes, or is likely to become, a domestic energy supply shortage of significant scope or duration.''

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#90271u1301 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (SEPT. 28) UPI - While the army readies for a mud-ball-and-slingshot war with Buddhist monks, political prisoners continue a hunger strike and Burma's government girds for mass civil disobedience, diplomatic sources said Friday.

''The government is clearly very nervous and is warning the public not to get involved in anti-government demonstrations supposedly planned for Oct. 1,'' said a Rangoon-based diplomat contacted by telephone from Bangkok.

Burma's military has stepped up public intimidation tactics and brought more troops into Rangoon in anticipation of possible protests Oct. 1, the diplomat said. Armored vehicles patrol the capital, with bullhorns blaring warnings against joining demonstrations rumored to be set for Monday, Oct. 1.

''The political parties have appealed to the military to allow the elected legislature to convene by the end of September, so that may be the reason for the fears about that date,'' said the diplomat, who requested anonymity.

The campaign of imtimidation is aimed at maintaining the military's 30-year domination of Burma. Despite the opposition party's overwhelming election victory in May, the military so far has refused to turn over power to the elected legislature.

The diplomat added that a group of students jailed for political offenses were continuing a hunger strike they began Sept. 18 in Insein Jail, the government's main prison just north of Rangoon.

''About half of the students have now collapsed and have been taken to hospital,'' he said. ''Another group of students joined the strike on Tuesday.''

The condition of the hunger strikers was not known, he said.

Although the intimidation so far has prevented any major demonstrations in Rangoon, there have been almost daily protests in Mandalay, Burma's second-largest city.

Buddhist monks, angered by reports security troops killed two monks and two student protesters last month, have begun using slingshots to pelt soldiers as they pass their monasteries.

The soldiers are under orders not to fire on the monks to avoid a repetition

of the shooting incident last month in Mandalay - in which the government insists no one was killed - ''so the military has ordered 50,000 hardened mud pellets to fire back at the monks,'' the diplomat said.

Another diplomat, also speaking on condition of anonymity, said the demonstrations showed growing Buddhist opposition to Burma's military.

Some monks mocked soldiers by praying before them, while senior abbots in Mandalay and the nearby religious center of Sagaing have declared a boycott on performing religious ceremonies for military families.

The ceremony boycott, virtually excommunicating all military families, is the first overt political action by Burma's Buddhist leadership since the movement against British colonial rule in the 1930s and 1940s, he said. It is believed to have shaken Burma's military in a country where more than 80 percent of the people are Buddhists.

Economic problems are also increasingly plaguing the military, which crushed massive pro-democracy demonstrations in 1988.

The government has been unable to slow inflation, estimated at about 50 percent, one diplomat said, noting prices for some vegetables have increased as much as 150 percent in the past three months.

Burma, despite rich mineral and petroleum deposits, vast teak forests and fertile land, is among the poorest countries in the world, with a per capita income of less than $160 per year.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Gold futures closed 250 to 330 points lower Friday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	404.70	408.20	402.50	402.50	405.00
Dec	410.70	414.40	407.70	408.10	410.80
Feb	416.00	418.30	412.50	412.60	415.40
Apr	421.50	422.70	416.80	416.80	419.70
Jun	424.50	426.50	421.30	421.30	424.30
Aug	428.50	....	....	425.50	428.60
Oct	433.50	433.50	430.30	430.30	433.50
Dec	438.80	438.80	435.10	435.10	438.40
Feb	443.50	....	....	440.30	443.60
Apr	448.40	....	....	445.20	448.50
Jun	453.00	....	....	450.50	453.80
Aug	459.00	....	....	455.80	459.10

Open interest: 118,098 up 779.
Estimated sales: 60,000 contracts.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - Israel has all but come to a standstill for Yom Kippur, the holiest day of the Jewish year. All businesses, restaurants and places of entertainment are closed and public transportation has stopped. Security is tight throughout the country as it is for every holiday, but maybe more so for this day than for others. The day also marks another anniversary, that of the 1973 Yom Kippur war.

A 14-year-old, 245-pound girl wants to be the first female high school football player in Springfield, Illinois. Springfield High School administrators rejected Nicole Benson's request, but the school district's attorney is considering the situation and will make a recommendation. Nicole's guardian, Selina Benson, says she'll get a lawyer if the district doesN'T allow the girl to play.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	405.25 off 0.125
Morning fixing	406.10 up 0.85
Afternoon fixing	408.40 up 3.15
Close	404.75 off 0.50
Paris	407.29 up 3.30
Zurich	406.50 up 2.00
Hong Kong	405.55 up 1.20
New York	
Comex spot close	402.50 off 2.50
Republic cash	403.75 off 2.00
Handy and Harman	408.40 up 4.45

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 409.74 up 4.45 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 430.23 up 4.68 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.761 off 0.01
Republic cash	4.785 off 0.015

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.78 per fine ounce off 0.015

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.78 off 0.02 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.115 off 0.021

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 433.25 off 10.25per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 533.25 off 10.25.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 98.75 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 113.75 off 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (SEPT. 28) UPI - Keeping tabs on threatening weather, engineers readied a $30 million Delta 2 rocket for blastoff Friday to boost into orbit the ninth in a globe-spanning network of military navigation satellites.

The 126-foot, blue-and-white Delta 2 rocket was scheduled for liftoff at 5:44 p.m. EDT from launch complex 17 at the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, despite predictions of an 80 percent chance of stormy weather that would prevent an on-time launch.

Mounted inside a protective nose cone atop the slender rocket was a Global Positioning System ''Navstar'' satellite, the ninth in a planned network of such spacecraft that ultimately will allow military forces on the ground, at sea and in the air to determine their location and altitude to within 53 feet anywhere in the world.

The flight plan called for the GPS launched Friday to be ejected into a preliminary elliptical orbit about 25 minutes after blastoff. On-board rockets were scheduled to fire later to boost the satellite into a circular 12-hour orbit 12,500 miles up.

Prior to Friday's flight, the Delta record stood at 20 successes in a row dating back to May 3, 1986, and a perfect 12 straight for the upgraded Delta 2 including five commercial launches. The rockets are built by McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co. of Huntington Beach, Calif.

The Air Force plans to launch 21 upgraded ''block 2'' GPS satellites to join seven older and less sophisticated ''block 1'' spacecraft already in space. The satellites are built by Rockwell International's Satellite Systems Division in Seal Beach, Calif., under a $1.2 billion contract.

Eighteen block 2 satellites are required to complete the global navigation

network. Three of the 21 bound for orbit will serve as spares with another seven available on the ground for launch as needed.

Additional satellites are planned and through the end of the century, the GPS program is expected to cost some $8.5 billion.

Equipped with sensitive atomic clocks, four such satellites will be ''visible'' at any given time from anywhere on Earth. Military forces on the ground, at sea or in the are will be able to use radio signals from the satellites to pinpoint their locations to within about 53 feet.

GPS satellites originally were to be launched from NASA's space shuttle.

But after the 1986 Challenger disaster, which grounded the shuttle program for 32 months, the Pentagon embarked on an unprecedented rocket construction program to guarantee independent access to space.

McDonnell Douglas was awarded a $316.5 million contract Jan. 21, 1987, to build seven Delta 2 rockets for the GPS program. The contract included options however, for 13 additional vehicles for a total contract value of $669 million.

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#90271u1328 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
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Noon	354.40	211.30	131.29	20.21	300.76
1 p.m.	354.57	212.07	131.39	20.34	301.04
2 p.m.	355.58	211.91	131.53	20.47	301.89
3 p.m.	357.56	213.40	132.11	20.62	303.57

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#90271u1333 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - With a presidential budget deadline passed but a more critical one fast approaching, top congressional and White House negotiators continued talks Friday to seal a five-year $500 billion deficit reduction plan.

By failing to vote on such a package by Friday, lawmakers ignored President

Bush's demand in a Sept. 11 nationally televised speech to a joint session of Congress that the House and Senate must ''allow a straight up-or-down vote on a complete $500 billion deficit reduction package not later than Sept. 28.''

With that presidential deadline gone, the real budget deadline of Oct. 1 loomed just a weekend away.

If no budget agreement is reached by Monday, it would trigger the imposition of up to $105.7 billion in automatic across-the-board spending cuts required under the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law.

That law set the deficit reduction target for fiscal year 1991, which begins Oct. 1, at $64 billion. The administration has projected next year's deficit to be about $169 billion - $105 billion over the target. The automatic cuts are designed to force government spending down to that target level.

Bush has vowed to veto any congressional attempt to delay the Gramm- Rudman cuts, called sequestration, unless a budget agreement is reached first.

Both the House and Senate plan to meet in rare Sunday sessions and the spectre of bitter partisan confrontations loom.

If no budget agreement is reached by Sunday, Democrats may try to force Bush's hand. They may try to pass a temporary money bill to continue spending for a week or two at this year's level and, in the process, delay the Gramm-Rudman cuts, forcing him to veto it and take the political heat for shutting down the government on Monday.

Or, without a bipartisan agreement, they may try to pass their own Democratic budget plan to cut the deficit and force him to sign or veto that.

If an agreement is reached, Congress on Sunday could pass a budget plan adopting the tax increases and spending cuts it contains before Monday's deadline. At the least, lawmakers could approve a bill delaying the cuts for a few days until the budget agreement could be implemented legislatively.

Both parties have said the Gramm-Rudman cuts would devastate federal programs and services, such as air traffic control and meat inspection, require unpaid furloughs of thousands of government workers and inconvenience or aggravate millions of Americans.

The five top congressional leaders of both parties and three key White House negotiators have met for all but one day since Sept. 18 trying to hammer out a budget accord. A larger bargaining group, which began meeting May 15, failed to strike a deal and broke up on Sept. 17 after 10 days of secluded talks at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington.

The leadership group met until shortly before 1:30 a.m. Friday. They came

closer to agreeing, sources said, but remained deadlocked over the major sticking point that has prevented an accord to date - taxes.

House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said that during each day of leadership talks the issues have become ''more focused'' but ''there are some remaining issues that are very difficult.''

Chief among them, apparently, are how domestic program spending limits reached now are enforced in later years and Bush's call either to cut the capital gains tax on profits from the sale of assets or at least allow those gains to be indexed to soften the bite inflation takes over time from the value of an asset.

Democrats have said from the start of the talks they would accept a capital gains cut but only if Republicans would raise tax rates on the rich to help offset their contention that the primary beneficiaries of a capital gains cut are the rich.

Republicans have so far refused to accept higher tax rates on the richest Americans as the price for a capital gains cut. GOP negotiators, instead, have proposed limiting the deductions richer taxpayers can take.

But sources said that despite public insistence from the White House and Republican negotiators that any income tax rate increase is unacceptable, the administration has offered in the talks to increase the tax rate paid by the richest Americans from 28 percent to as high as 29.5 percent.

But that is not as high as the 31 percent or 32 percent Democrats initially wanted as the price for a capital gains cut or for indexing.

The White House proposal, sources said, would also lower the 33 percent tax rate paid by couples with taxable incomes of $78,400 to $185,730 to about 29 percent so that there would be only two income tax rates - 15 percent and about 29 percent

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#90271u1338 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 39 to 74 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Oct	10.37	10.40	9.70	9.78	10.52
Mar	10.45	10.49	10.10	10.11	10.54
May	10.43	10.47	10.12	10.13	10.53
Jly	10.43	10.45	10.15	10.16	10.55
Oct	10.48	10.52	10.13	10.15	10.59

Estimated sales: 34,612 contracts
Open interest: 104,523 off 1,719
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.13

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday 2 to 13 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.42	23.43	23.34	23.40	23.42
Jan	23.16	23.17	23.08	23.14	23.17
Mar	23.15	23.15	23.11	23.11	23.15
May	23.24	23.24	23.11	23.11	23.24
Jly	23.18	23.18	23.15	23.15	23.24
Sep	23.20	23.20	23.11	23.12	23.22
Nov	22.95	22.95	22.90	22.90	22.95

Estimated sales: 679 contracts
Open interest: 11,929 up 371

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $24 to $26 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.50 cent to 1.70 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.55 to 1.65 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.04 to 0.60 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.50 to $3.30 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.70 to $4.20 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.25 cents lower to 0.35 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 1 to 2.3 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.039 to 0.074 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90271u1367 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - The House Friday blocked a Senate move to include the pay of members of Congress and top administration officials in any government-wide spending cuts that will be required if a deficit-cutting agreement is not reached before next week.

The Senate added the amendment Thursday to a routine House-passed measure extending several housing and community development programs for 30 days. But the House did not take up the amended bill and instead passed a new measure, introduced just Friday, that dealt with the program extension.

''The House wanted a simple extension for the housing programs,'' said a staff member of the House Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee, which handles housing legislation.

Sen. Larry Pressler, R-S.D., who proposed the pay-cut amendment in the Senate, charged there was ''a concerted effort by the House leadership'' to avoid the cut.

Pressler's amendment would reduce the pay of members of Congress and top administration officials by approximately 32 percent, equal to the across-the-board cuts in federal government programs that will be required if Congress and the administration do not agree on a new budget.

The issue could come up again, however, when the latest version of the House bill goes back to the Senate, possibly Sunday.

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#90271u1368 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

SEATTLE (SEPT. 28) UPI - The state of Washington Friday became the owner of ''Twin Peaks.''

The state didn't purchase the television series, but the Washington Department of Natural Resources became the new co-owner of the pristine, forested setting.

DNR officials said their agency, in conjunction with the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Coalition and the Interagency Committee on Outdoor Recreation, purchased 740 acres in the Mount Si Natural Resources Conservation Area east of Seattle near Snoqualmie - better known to TV viewers as the setting for ''Twin Peaks.''

The land was purchased from Georgia-Pacific Corp., said Brian Boyle, state public lands commissioner.

The $820,000 purchase involves two parcels of timberland in the saddle between the ''Twin Peaks.''

''For recreational users, area residents, Interstate 90 travelers and the cast crew and fans of 'Twin Peaks,' we're delighted to announce this 740-acre addition to the Mount Si Natural Resources Area, with the hope the 'Twin Peaks' skyline will be preserved forever,'' Boyle said.

About half of a 700-acre tract included in the purchase is in steep terrain forested with 100-year-old timber that was scheduled to be logged. The other half was logged and replanted about 20 years ago.

The other 40-acre parcel is forested with 70-year-old trees.

Boyle called the acreage ''excellent wildlife habitat.''

''It's home to mountain goats, cougars, black bears, bobcats, coyotes, elk, deer, small mammals and birds,'' he said.

The purchase expands the conservation area to 3,340 acres, Boyle said. A proposed land exchange with another timber products company, Weyerhaeuser Co., could add another 4,050 acres to the conservation area in the near future, he said.

''This is one of the last semi-primitive areas left in fast-growing King County,'' Boyle said. ''Mount Si is a treasure, a legacy we must preserve for future generations.''

The purchase price, plus $26,800 in closing costs and taxes, is being paid out of a $53 million appropriation by the 1990 Washington Legislature, which included $6.9 million to acquire natural areas, Boyle said.

Mount Si is among the oldest peaks in the Cascade Range. Its craggy rock face dominates views east of Seattle.

Elevations in the conservation area range from about 500 feet along the middle and north forks of the Snoqualmie River to more than 4,000 feet at the summit.

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#90271u1404 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 28) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.57-2.82 up 1/4-17 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.09 3/4- 6.17 3/4 off 1 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.16-2.28 up 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.28-2.32 off 1/2 to up 1/2.

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#90271u1407 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 28) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed broadly lower in light trading.

Dollar - Slightly higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1/2 to off 1/2, soybeans down 3/4 to 3, wheat up 1/4 to off 1 1/4 and oats up 3 3/4 to 5 cents.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90271u1417 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 28) - Bond Calendar - New Issues Scheduled for Public Sale Provided by Salomon Brothers Inc., subject to change

U.S. GOVERNMENT & FEDERAL AGENCIES (Week of October 1)
Oct. 1 - $18.4 billion 13-, 26-week T-bills ($1.45 billion new cash).

TAX-EXEMPT NOTES & BONDS (Week of October 1) - Courtesy of The Bond Buyer
(Issues are to be negotiated unless otherwise noted)

$110 million Sarasota County, Fla., School Board Financing Corp. lease revenue bonds.

$17 million Cape May County, N.J., general improvement bonds (competitive).

-30- 690
#90271u1437 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.11

60 to 89 days 8.03

90 to 119 days 7.95

120 to 149 days 7.92

150 to 179 days 7.80

180 to 270 days 7.80

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.15 - 7.95

Issuers 30 days 8.08

Issuers 90 days 7.77

Issuers 270 days 7.49

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.20

60 to 89 days 8.19

90 to 119 days 8.19

120 to 149 days 8.22

150 to 179 days 8.21

180 days 8.21

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.00 - 9.00

1 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

3 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

6 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

Year 8 5-16 - 8 7-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.15 - 7.13

6 months 7.17 - 7.15

Year 7.18 - 7.16

Federal Funds: High 8 3/8, Low 6, Close 6 1/2

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.889 off 0.064.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90271u1458 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 28) UPI - The philosopher who became president of Bulgaria August 1st met with President Bush today. And Bulgarian President Zhelyu Zhelev delivered some good news. He says his country is NO longer a communist and totalitarian state. Zhelev says Bulgaria is firmly on the road to democracy.

South African police are receiving praise from conservationists for cracking a lucrative rhino-horn smuggling operation described as one of the largest ever. Police in Johannesburg say they arrested three Taiwanese citizens and one South African in sweeps that also netted 29 rhino horns and seven elephant tusks.

Two people are dead and four others were hurt near Jackson, Mississippi, this morning when leaking gas overcame employees at a plant that makes ballast for fluorescent lights. The gas leak was at the Magnatek-Universal Manufacturing

plant in Mendenhall. Officials say the gas did NOT escape from the plant.

A police officer in Richmond, Virginia, responded to a stabbing incident at a night-spot early this morning only to find his brother dying. Witnesses say Glen Conyers and another man quarreled before Conyers was stabbed. Officer Mark Conyers was on routine patrol this morning when the call came in. The assailant escaped.

Former Democratic National Committee Chairman and National Basketball Association Commissioner Lawrence O'Brien is dead. O'Brien died last night in New York City. He was 73. O'Brien headed the Democratic Committee during the Watergate scandal. As N-B-A commissioner, O'Brien introduced the salary cap.

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#90271u1464 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1087.6
Thursday	1087.6
Week ago	1093.4
Month ago	1114.1
Year ago	1106.3
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90271u1465 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	60 7-8	up	1 3-8
AT&T Company	31	off	1-8
BCE Inc	30 5-8	off	1-8
Bell Atlantic	47 1-8	up	1-2
BellSouth Corp	51 7-8	up	5-8
Exxon Corp	49	off	3-4
Ford Motor Co	30 3-4	off	1
Genl Electric	54 3-8	up	2 3-4
General Motors	36 1-2	up	1-8
GTE Corp	26 7-8	up	1
IBM Corp	106 3-4	up	2 3-8
Mobil Oil Corp	62 7-8	off	5-8
Nynex Corp	70 1-4	up	3-4
Pac Gas & Elec	21 1-8	up	1-8
Pacific Telesis	44 3-8	up	1 1-8

Phila Electric	14 3-4	off	1-4
Sears Roebuck	25 1-4	up	3-8
Southern Co	23 5-8	unch	
Sthwestern Bell	52 1-4	up 1	1-4
US West Inc	34 5-8	up	5-8

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#90271u1472 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

PROVIDENCE, RI (SEPT. 28) UPI - A judge ruled Friday that the rap group 2 Live Crew may perform in the oceanside community of Westerly despite safety concerns and critics' claims the group contributes to ''America's slide into the sewer.''

Ordinances the Town Council had considered as a way to bar the band from playing at the Windjammer club on Oct. 6 or to restrict the nightspot are unconstitutional, U.S. District Judge Raymond Pettine ruled.

Councilors had expressed concerns over the ''morality'' of the band, which uses sexually explicit and profane lyrics, and questioned whether the club would be able to adequately control fans.

The club, represented by the American Civil Liberties Union, filed suit to stop the town from interfering with the Oct. 6 performance or from holding a hearing to discuss the possible revocation of its entertainment license.

In ruling for the club, Pettine said the town has a ''valid interest'' in regulating entertainment places but found its licensing ordinances ''do not even approach the necessary level of specificity (that is) constitutionally mandated.''

''Any concerns that this court assumes the (council) might have for the protection of the public interest or for the upsetting of their licensing system do not outweigh the harm to the (club's) First Amendment rights,'' Pettine said.

Pettine noted that, at the Sept. 4 hearing, councilors discussed the ''supposed immorality'' of 2 Live Crew's songs and their contribution to ''America's slide into the sewer.''

2 Live Crew has encountered similar resistance in other parts of the country. A federal judge in Florida ruled in June that the lyrics on their third album, ''As Nasty As They Wanna Be,'' were obscene.

Following the decision, members of the Miami-based group were arrested in Hollywood, Fla. They have yet to go to trial and are appealing their case in a civil court.

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#90271u1481 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA, NICARAGUA (SEPT. 28) UPI - The Nicaraguan government said Friday it reached agreement with the Sandinista Front to try to stem the rising tension in the country and discounted rumors that a coup attempt was being planned.

Presidential Minister Antonio Lacayo, the top adviser to President Violeta Chamorro, said the agreement was reached Thursday evening at a meeting attended by him, former Sandinista President Daniel Ortega, U.S. Ambassador Harry Shlaudeman and the United Nations chief in Nicaragua, Francesco Vincenti.

Lacayo said he had no doubt the Sandinista army will abide by the constitution.

He denied reports by Managua-based Catholic Radio that the Sandinistas were planning to overthrow the Chamorro government while she is in the United States on a U.N. visit.

''Humberto Ortega (commander of the army) has said in public and in private that the army will abide by the constitution,'' Lacayo said. ''There is no possibility of a coup.''

Despite Lacayo's statements, Sandinista union chief Lucio Jimenez said the National Workers Front, or FTN, would go ahead with plans for a massive walkout and street march on Monday.

The FNT has so far refused to participate in the national dialogue that Chamorro began last week in an effort to bring together all social sectors of the country. The aim of the dialogue was to find ways to ease the effects that her economic recovery plan will have on the people, especially the poor and the thousands of people the government plans to fire from state-run industries.

The Sandinista Front had argued the government has not created the conditions necessary for a national dialogue.

Lacayo said he would ''take their suggestions'' into account and try to create the climate needed to bring them to the bargaining table.

''There is no commitment on either side,'' Lacayo said, ''(but) simply the willingness to create the conditions necessary for the Sandinista workers to go back to the negotiations.''

Lacayo also brushed aside comments by Vice President Virgilio Godoy that he was acting president while Chamorro was out of the country.

Asked who was the president Friday, Lacayo replied, ''Violeta Chamorro is the president.''

The relationship between Chamorro and Godoy has been one of bitter separation since they assumed office April 25. Chamorro needed his support to win the election, but their differing views on how to treat the Sandinistas have left Godoy without a role in the government and without an office in the Presidential House.

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#90271u1490 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2452.48	up	25.00	841.16	up	13.13	198.57	off	0.12
Thursday	2427.48	off	32.17	828.03	off	18.49	198.69	off	1.13
Week ago	2518.32	off	39.11	879.99	off	8.32	200.33	off	1.19
Month ago	2593.32	off	39.11	901.26	off	9.87	193.72	off	1.89
Year ago	2694.91	up	21.85	1438.12	up	10.49	216.55	up	1.38
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2427.48			828.03			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90271u1494 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.77	up 0.07
10 Public Utils	90.18	up 0.03
10 Industrials	87.36	up 0.10

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#90271u1517 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 307.72, low 303.32, close 307.72, up 2.29.

There was a gain of 8 cents in the average share price.

Volume 18,410,000 shares, compared with 16, 780,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	13
New Lows	146
Advances	291

Declines 293
Unchanged 253
Total Issues 837

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#90271u1522 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:
Stocks - 18,410,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,619,039,575
Bonds - $3,020,000
1990 to date - $537,638,000

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#90271u1527 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:
Stocks - 201,010,000 shares
1990 to date - 29,736,068,612
Warrants - 1,283,800
1990 to date - 186,097,100

-30- 331
#90271u1534 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

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3 p.m.	357.56	213.40	132.11	20.62	303.57
Close	360.47	214.09	133.02	20.87	306.05
Change	up 5.37	up 0.86	up 1.65	up 0.99	up 5.08

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#90271u1537 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks

Friday	360.47	214.09	133.02	20.87	306.05
Thursday	355.10	213.23	131.37	19.88	300.97
Week ago	367.10	222.87	132.23	21.76	311.32
Month ago	382.03	231.64	128.44	24.00	322.56
Year ago	397.95	312.53	142.35	34.19	349.15
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	355.10	213.23	124.60	19.88	300.97

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#90271u1540 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Friday:

Stock		$Volume	Close	Chg.
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	132,967,280	21 7/8	off 3 7/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	78,465,496	63	up 3 3/4
Amgen	(AMGN)	69,962,144	44 3/4	off 1 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	66,683,956	33 1/4	up 1 1/4
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	56,953,212	44 1/2	up 3
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	48,484,968	31 1/2	up 1/8
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	43,522,180	62 1/2	up 1 3/4
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	38,680,056	29	up 3/4
Conner Prphrls	(CNNR)	25,860,442	16 1/2	up 3/8
Autodesk Inc	(ACAD)	24,647,978	42	up 1 1/2

Composite Index 150.74 up 1.55

NMS volume 130,812,600 shares.

Advances	844
Declines	782
Unchanged	1,173
Total	2,799

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#90271u1541 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Friday - $43,080,000

1990 to date - $8,318,368,000

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#90271u1546 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (SEPT. 28) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Friday - 11,383,000

1990 to date - 1,886,914,000

The market closed higher.

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#90271u1550 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - Gen. Michael Dugan, former Air Force chief of staff fired for discussing bombing plans against Iraq, is working now as special assistant to Air Force Secretary Donald Rice, a spokesman said Friday.

In firing Dugan as Air Force chief of staff Sept. 17, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney told reporters the four-star general would be retired from the Air Force.

But an Air Force spokesman who asked not to be identified said Dugan, 53, has been given a high-level job in the Pentagon as a special assistant to the secretary of the Air Force.

''His duties include performing an assessment of rated officer requirements and the Air Force officer evaluation system,'' the spokesman said, adding he did not know how long Dugan would hold the new post.

''General Dugan's retirement date has not yet been established,'' the spokesman said, adding that it was still Cheney's intention to recommend to President Bush that Dugan be retired in the grade of general.

The retirement of three-star and four-star generals and admirals requires a presidential nomination and confirmation by the Senate.

The Air Force spokesman said the job given Dugan appeared to be an attempt to give him ''a reasonable amount of time to get his affairs in order ... instead of putting him out on the street when he wasn't even planning to retire.''

Dugan, a 32-year veteran who had been promoted by Cheney to Air Force chief of staff in July, was fired by Cheney for remarks he made to reporters during a return flight to Washington from Saudi Arabia.

The Washington Post and the Los Angeles Times reported that Dugan said the Joint Chiefs of Staff had concluded that in case of war, air strikes - including a massive bombing campaign against Baghdad that specifically targets Iraqi President Saddam Hussein - are the only effective option to force Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

Cheney said the remarks showed ''poor judgment at a sensitive time'' and could possibly be seen as a violation of a presidential executive order against planning the assassination of foreign government officials.

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#90271u1555 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941- 43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	360.47	348.94	360.47	up 5.37
20 Trans	214.34	208.50	214.09	up 0.86
40 Utils	133.02	129.97	133.02	up 1.65
40 Fncl	20.87	19.59	20.87	up 0.99
500 Stocks	306.05	295.98	306.05	up 5.08

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#90271u1561 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - (Dow Jones has revised the Trans and 65 Stk closes)

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2452.48	up 25.00
20 Trans	841.35	up 13.32
15 Utils	198.57	off 0.12
65 Stocks	858.14	up 8.33

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#90271u1571 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	307.73	up 2.30
High Technology	291.90	up 6.61
Capital Goods	326.76	up 0.96
Consumer Goods	358.86	up 1.85
Service	654.05	up 10.18
Retail	869.09	off 4.71
Financial	360.10	up 1.02
Natural Resources	250.01	up 0.97
Housing-Const-Land	300.78	off 0.72

There was a gain of 8 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	385.54	up 1.31
Mid Atlantic	389.95	up 6.56
No Central	394.72	up 1.85
So Atlantic	844.92	up 10.22
So Central	303.13	up 0.77
Mountain	111.34	up 3.58
Pacific	337.01	up 2.42
Foreign	244.57	up 0.73

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#90271u1576 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	35.35-35.40	35.10-35.15
North Sea Brent	40.80-40.85	41.00-41.05
West Texas Intermed	39.50-39.55	39.60-39.65
Light Louisiana Sweet	40.80-40.95	41.10-41.20
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	102.00-102.25	103.10-103.30
No. 2 Heating oil	103.50-103.75	102.90-103.15
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	96.80-97.10	100.95-101.20
No. 2 Heating oil	102.95-103.10	102.45-102.70

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#90271u1581 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 28) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	219.00	227.60	217.00	226.80	222.50
Mar	....	....	....	229.00	224.70
Jun	....	....	....	232.00	227.70

Previous day volume: 191 contracts.
Open interest: 1,174 up 19

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	297.70	308.30	297.30	306.75	302.70
Mar	300.25	310.70	300.00	309.20	305.25
Jun	305.60	313.50	303.00	312.20	308.35

Today's estimated volume: 50,514 contracts.
Open interest: 152,919 up 3,109

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	163.25	169.25	163.25	168.50	166.25
Mar	164.55	168.40	164.55	169.80	167.55

Jun 165.85 165.85 165.85 171.10 168.85
Open interest: 4,319 off 349
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	504.50	510.50	495.00	508.75	504.00
Nov	502.00	510.25	500.00	508.90	504.10
Dec	506.00	512.25	497.50	511.50	506.60

Estimated volume 4,273 contracts.
Open interest: 6,976 up 306

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#90271u1594 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Unisys Corp	3,618,500	5	off 3/8
Citicorp	3,501,800	14 1/4	up 1/2
Genl Electric	2,811,900	54 1/2	up 2 7/8
Philip Morris	2,644,600	45 1/4	up 1 1/4
Cmnwlth Ed	2,452,700	28 7/8	up 1/4
Chase Manhtan	2,414,600	11 3/4	up 3/4
Wal-Mart Strs	2,118,300	27 1/4	up 7/8
PepsiCo Inc	2,090,700	23	up 7/8
IBM Corp	1,975,100	106 3/8	up 2
Bank of Boston	1,852,100	7 7/8	up 3/4
BankAmerica	1,840,500	20 1/4	up 1
Limited Inc	1,782,700	13 3/4	up 7/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,718,600	28 3/8	up 2
Waste Mangment	1,705,300	33 3/4	up 2 1/8
Marriott Cp	1,700,100	10 1/4	off 1/4

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#90271u1596 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

MONROVIA, LIBERIA (SEPT. 28) UPI - Several hours of heavy fighting between government troops and forces loyal to rebel leader Prince Johnson shattered a six-day cease-fire in the Liberian capital Friday.

Artillery and machine-gun fire shook the city before dawn as government troops fired at random from the presidential mansion where up to 1,000 soldiers still loyal to the late President Samuel Doe are trapped between the lines of rival rebel factions.

The collapse of the cease-fire comes despite the presence of almost 6,000 troops of a peace-keeping force dispatched by the five-nation Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS). The force arrived in the city on

Aug. 24.

Fighting began Thursday afternoon when Johnson's rebels discovered a large government arms cache in a city center warehouse close to the Defense Ministry.

Government troops tried to retrieve the weapons but were pushed back by Johnson's forces.

An eyewitness present at Johnson's military base when five truckloads of the captured rocket launchers, mortars and ammunition were brought in described the rebel leader's mood as ''exuberant.'' The witness quoted Johnson as saying ''Now I am ready for Taylor. Now I am going to get him.''

Prince Johnson split with Charles Taylor's rebel movement - the National Patriotic Front of Liberia - in February. His men control the free port and the city center of Monrovia. Two weeks ago they captured and killed Doe.

Taylor, who claims to control 90 percent of Liberia, threatened Thursday night to annihilate both Johnson's followers and the West African peace-keeping force.

Speaking from a captured radio station in the eastern suburbs of Monrovia, he said, ''If this war has to be fought for the next 10 years, we must be prepared because, as the president of Liberia, I am prepared to devote the next 10 years of my life to hunting these bandits until they leave.''

He accused the ECOWAS peace-keeping force of being made up of ''thieves, rogues and hooligans,'' and said ''we will keep on killing them until they realize they must go.''

Taylor claimed to have killed up to 1,000 ECOWAS soldiers and to have taken others prisoner.

ECOWAS officials admit privately they have lost ''less than 50'' of their personnel.

In the radio broadcast, Taylor said he had taken steps toward establishing an army which he claimed would number 250,000 troops out of which ''100,000 may be regular. as we stand now, we have 50,000 volunteers.''

Visitors to Taylor's territory put his estimated strength at less than 10,000 combattants, many of whom are untrained teenagers.

Reports carried on Radio France International Friday announced a new threat by Taylor to attack ships of the peace-keeping force if they enter Liberian territorial waters.

Thursday morning, 1,000 Nigerian troops arrived in Monrovia followed in the

afternoon by 482 Ghanaian paratroopers on board the Nigerian cargo ship ''river Oli,'' which was also carrying 150 tons of rice for the near-starving population of Monrovia.

The reinforcements were brought into Liberia by the new ECOWAS field commander Nigerian Gen. Joshua Dogonyaro who toured the war-torn city Friday morning.

Two ECOWAS ships evacuated a total of 12,000 mainly Nigerian, Ghanaian and Sierra Leonean refugees from Monrovia, ECOWAS spokesman maj. Chris Otulana said.

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#90271u1603 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Paine W Gr wtB	1,190,000	10 1/4	off 5/8
Denmark K wt	1,091,800	22	up 3/8
Salomon wt Jan	949,300	21 1/8	up 3/8
Fruit of Loom	621,400	9 1/2	up 1 1/2
Eksport wt	532,100	10 3/4	off 1/8
Salomon Phibro	481,500	3 7/8	off 1/8
Contl Air	428,600	4 1/8	off 3/8
Paine W Gr wtA	402,100	2 1/2	off 1/8
Amdahl Corp	355,200	10 3/4	up 3/8
Salomon wt Feb	353,200	22 1/8	up 3/8

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#90271u1618 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	344.51	up	3.32	362.25	472.92
Industrial	368.46	up	4.46	387.54	458.97
Finance	340.34	up	1.82	360.26	559.54
Insurance	406.56	up	6.65	429.78	533.63
Utility	462.98	up	0.97	482.75	754.15
Bank	249.25	off	0.72	267.46	478.84
Transport	389.31	up	3.14	399.27	476.97

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 341.19

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 150.75 up 1.56
Industrial Index 145.53 up 1.89
NASDAQ-100 Index 354.11 up 5.73

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#90271u1621 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door unchanged.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 66-69.

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#90271u1634 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - The Education Department announced a plan Friday that will put the financially troubled Higher Education Assistance Foundation out of the guaranteed student loan business within three years.

HEAF, one of the nation's largest guarantors of student loans, has a loan portfolio of just under $9 billion and has been teetering on the verge of bankruptcy for several months.

HEAF, like other guarantee agencies, insures student loans by paying bank lenders 100 percent of a defaulted loan. The Education Department, in turn, reinsures the guarantor's loan. But for most of the last four years, the government has been paying HEAF only 80 percent of the loan amount, as the law requires, since HEAF's defaults have exceeded 9 percent of its entire portfolio.

In August, Sallie Mae, or the Student Loan Marketing Association, extended HEAF $200 million in credit as a way to avoid bankruptcy.

Now, under an agreement in principle between the Education Department and Sallie Mae, HEAF's existing portfolio will be managed by HEAF and a new subsidiary of Sallie Mae for the next three years. By the end of the three-year period, all of HEAF's existing portfolio will have been assigned to new guarantee agencies.

Under the plan - to cost the government about $30 million - HEAF will do no new guarantee business once the Education Department names, within a few days, interim guarantors in states where HEAF currently is the designated guarantor - West Virginia, Minnesota, Kansas, Wyoming and Washington, D.C. The Nebraska

Student Loan Program will continue to serve as the designated guarantor for the state of Nebraska, where HEAF also has done business.

Permanent guarantors will be designated by late 1993.

A new HEAF board will be appointed by the Education Department and Sallie Mae.

Also, Sallie Mae will finance HEAF's operations, but neither Sallie Mae nor its new subsidiary will be allowed to issue new guarantees.

Education Undersecretary Ted Sanders said the deal will not be complete until Sallie Mae and HEAF formally agree to the plan, but he said he does not anticipate any hitches.

Through management fees and performance incentives, Sallie Mae could earn up to $20 million for its efforts, Sanders said, but noted that Sallie Mae's costs could run about $15 million.

Sanders also said Richard Hawk, HEAF chairman and chief executive office, ''is not a part of the new organization.''

HEAF's financial woes were caused largely because nearly three- fourths of its loan portfolio a few years ago were loans for trade schools, which had a high default rate. Its 1989 mix was about 35 percent for trade schools and the rest for four-year institutions, Sanders said.

The Education Department's inspector general has been investigating HEAF's financial crisis, but Sanders said initial reports have not uncovered any wrongdoing.

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#90271u1637 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5875	up	75
Ogden pf	101 1/2	off	48
Utd Telc pf	80	off	34 5/8
CapCiti/ABC	467	up	15 1/2
UAL Corp	97 1/4	up	6 5/8
Fst Cit Tx pfB	37 1/2	off	5
SPX Corp	16 1/4	off	4 3/4
Hewlett Packard	33 1/2	up	3 5/8
Ralston Purina	99 1/8	up	3 3/8
Ill Tool Works	44 3/4	up	3 1/8

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#90271u1652 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending September 28.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	88.44	88.77	88.44	88.77	off 0.37
10 Utils	89.66	90.19	89.66	90.18	off 0.31
10 Indus	87.23	87.36	87.23	87.36	off 0.44

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#90271u1653 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Thu	Fri	Thu
Argntn austral	.000183	.000181	5468.00	5532.00
Australia dlr	.8250	.8262	1.2121	1.2104
Austria schill	.0908	.0906	11.01	11.04
Belgium franc-c	.0310	.0309	32.25	32.32
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0123	.0125	81.29	80.03
Britain pound	1.8730	1.8775	.5339	.5326
Britain 1-mo	1.8727	1.8671	.5340	.5356
Britain 3-mo	1.8435	1.8476	.5424	.5412
Britain 6-mo	1.8165	1.8207	.5505	.5492
Canada dollar	.8651	.8662	1.1560	1.1545
Canada 1-mo	.8620	.8632	1.1601	1.1585
Canada 3-mo	.8563	.8575	1.1678	1.1662
Canada 6-mo	.8485	.8503	1.1785	1.1761
Chile peso-f	.003480	.003474	287.35	287.82
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001919	.001921	521.07	520.63
Denmark krne	.1673	.1667	5.9785	5.9995
Ecudr sucre-z	.001175	.001175	851.18	851.18
Egypt pound	.3720	.3720	2.6885	2.6885
Finlnd mrkka	.2685	.2689	3.7240	3.7190
France franc	.1905	.1906	5.2495	5.2475
France 1-mo	.1902	.1903	5.2570	5.2549
France 3-mo	.1896	.1897	5.2754	5.2728
France 6-mo	.1885	.1886	5.3050	5.3025

Greece drach	.006546	.006557	152.76	152.51
Hollnd guildr	.5656	.5686	1.7681	1.7586
HongKong dlr	.1288	.1289	7.7610	7.7592
India rupee	.0558	.0558	17.92	17.92
Indo'sa rupia	.000541	.000542	1847.00	1846.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7116	1.7087	0.5842	0.5852
Israel shekel	.4975	.4975	2.0100	2.0100
Italy lira	.000852	.000855	1174.25	1169.00
Japan yen	.007225	.007249	138.40	137.95
Japan 1-mo	.007252	.007313	137.90	136.75
Japan 3-mo	.007254	.007383	137.85	135.45
Japan 6-mo	.007386	.007515	135.40	133.07
Jordan dinar	1.5555	1.5555	.6429	.6429
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000348	.000348	2876.00	2876.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6160	.6154	1.6234	1.6250
Norway krne	.1651	.1649	6.0575	6.0650
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	431,430	431,430
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007228	.007223	138.36	138.45
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5669	.5678	1.7640	1.7611
S.Africa rand	.3911	.3914	2.5570	2.5550
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010206	.010168	97.98	98.35
Sweden krona	.1733	.1731	5.7715	5.7775
Switzrl franc	.7710	.7746	1.2970	1.2910
Switzrl 1-mo	.7707	.7742	1.2975	1.2916
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7707	.7743	1.2976	1.2915
Switzrl 6-mo	.7708	.7738	1.2973	1.2923
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.80	26.80
Turkey lira	.000369	.000368	2712.00	2715.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Venez bolivr-z	.0209	.0210	47.77	47.72
W.Ger Mark	.6378	.6408	1.5678	1.5605
W.Ger 1-mo	.6378	.6408	1.5679	1.5606
W.Ger 3-mo	.6373	.6405	1.5691	1.5614
W.Ger 6-mo	.6363	.6391	1.5716	1.5646
Yugosl dinar	.0933	.0931	10.72	10.74

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90271u1656 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending September 28:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	363.73	359.29	360.47	off 7.03
20 Trans	217.74	213.23	214.09	off 8.78
40 Utils	133.02	130.36	133.02	up 0.89
40 Fncl	21.21	19.88	20.87	off 0.89
500 Stock	308.26	300.97	306.05	off 5.27

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#90271u1657 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended September 28, 1990.

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	327,728,832	33 3/4	31 1/4	33 1/4	up 1 1/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	263,593,760	63 1/2	57 1/2	63	up 3 3/4
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	263,350,208	28 5/8	20 3/8	21 7/8	off 3 7/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	236,971,488	32 1/4	29 3/4	31 1/2	up 1/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	193,644,496	45	39 1/2	44 1/2	up 3
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	193,023,216	66 3/4	57 3/4	62 1/2	up 1 3/4
Amgen	(AMGN)	188,803,696	49 1/2	43 3/8	44 3/4	off 1 1/2
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	171,389,952	31 1/2	27 1/4	29	up 3/4
Conner Prphrls	(CNNR)	121,713,680	20 1/4	15	16 1/2	up 3/8
Autodesk Inc	(ACAD)	90,462,936	43 1/2	38 3/4	42	up 1 1/2

NMS volume 574,731,400 shares.

Advances	463
Declines	1,720
Unchanged	614
Total	2,797

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#90271u1659 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended September 28:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.

30 Indus	2491.83	2501.24	2367.82	2452.48	off 59.90
20 Trans	870.93	872.04	813.98	841.35	off 35.31
15 Utils	201.02	202.34	195.55	198.57	off 3.14
65 Stocks	875.58	878.12	831.94	858.14	off 23.53

20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

88.44	88.72	88.44	88.77	off 0.37

Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

131.54	131.66	131.21	131.21	off 0.54

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#90271u1663 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended September 28.

	30 Indus			20 Transp			15 Utils		
Monday	2452.97	off	59.41	841.90	off	34.76	199.76	off	1.95
Tuesday	2485.64	up	32.67	844.67	up	2.77	200.64	up	0.88
Wednesday	2459.65	off	25.99	846.52	up	1.85	199.82	off	0.82
Thursday	2427.48	off	32.17	828.03	off	18.49	198.69	off	1.13
Friday	2452.48	up	25.00	841.35	up	13.32	198.57	off	0.12
Net Change		off	59.90		off	35.31		off	3.14

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#90271u1670 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended September 28:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	169.39	162.99	167.85	off 3.18
Industrial	211.51	203.15	209.18	off 4.39
Transportation	134.63	126.74	130.38	off 5.71
Utilities	84.41	82.69	84.41	off 0.39
Finance	113.58	105.93	110.78	off 4.24

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#90271u1679 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - Crude oil prices closed near their record levels Friday in the absence of fresh news from the Middle East to prompt another price surge on well-stocked world markets.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery found strength near its record closing level of $39.54 a barrel established Thursday, and closed a mere 3 cents lower at $39.51 a barrel.

On the spot market, the WTI closed down 10 cents a barrel to $39.50.

Refined oil products remained strong, with heating oil contracts for October delivery gaining further ground on the last day of the products futures trading month, to close up 0.61 cent a gallon to $1.0498 a gallon.

Unleaded gasoline contracts for October delivery lost 0.93 cents to close at $1.0176 a gallon, from $1.0269 Thursday.

Traders, who Thursday pushed oil prices up to record highs in nervous sessions dominated by war rumors, cautiously limited their buying, keeping prices at an apparent holding level just below their peak.

''The market is steady and rather quiet in the absence of news from the Middle East, and traders have little inclination to establish fresh positions,'' said Steve Platt, senior energy analyst wiht Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. in Chicago. ''People are nervous about the recent volatility, and for now, they want to stay on the sidelines.''

The WTI traded in a fairly narrow range, with a high in the morning of $39.95 followed by a prompt retreat indicating that it would take another round of alarming reports from the Middle East for the U.S. benchmark to close above the psychologically important level of $40 a barrel.

The WTI had briefly surged to $40.10 a barrel Thursday.

The low for the day was $38.65 and followed a lackluster statement from the much-awaited meeting of the International Energy Agency in Paris.

The IEA, citing ample oil world supplies, stopped short of asking its 21 member nations to release their oil stocks to curb the rise in oil prices. IEA members hold an estimated 1.7 billion barrels in their reserves.

''The market is pretty steady,'' said Chris Bray, energy analyst with Paine Webber Inc. in Andover Mass. ''There is no real news from the Middle East, except for some article in the Iraqi press about 'upcoming fire in the Gulf,' and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is going to speak on Sunday, which is the birthday of Prophet Mohammad, and the topic could be again a holy war.''

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent retreated slightly from its $41-a-barrel high Thursday to close at $40.80 a barrel.

But another key international crude, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light, which is mostly shipped to the Far East, gained some, to close at $35.35, up from $35.10 Thursday.

''The prices now solely reflect the escalation in rhetoric from Iraq such as 'We'll bomb Saudi Arabia oil fields' or 'We'll bomb Israel,' and this is leading to a war psychosis, and benefiting speculators who want to keep prices up,'' said David Mizrahi, editor of the authoritative MidEast Report.

Mizrahi did not expect any major development in the Middle East over the weekend, although he pointed out that an unpredictable move by Iraq was always a possibility - even if only remote.

''Speculators are capitalizing on the war psychosis in order to push the oil prices up and so far, they are succeeding because, in terms of supplies and demands, there is no reason for these prices.''

In Washington, Congress, seeking to further dampen fears of an energy crisis, moved swiftly to allow the Energy Department to triple the size of a test oil sale from America's strategic petroleum reserve.

The House passed an emergency bill by voice vote to increase, from 5 million barrels to 15 million barrels, the amount of oil the department can remove from the reserve and sell on the open market under a ''test draw-down'' ordered by President Bush on Wednesday.

Lawmakers, moving with unusual speed, acted a day after Energy Secretary James Watkins asked Congress for authority to triple the size of the oil reserve test.

The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, which earlier this month allowed its members to raise production to reduce the shortage resulting from the embargo against Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil, said the grouping should be able to produce about 22.2 million barrels a day in October - virtually the cartel's output ceiling approved in July.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	344.51	334.54	344.51	up	3.32
Industrial	368.46	356.12	368.46	up	4.46
Finance	340.62	333.36	340.34	up	1.82
Insurance	406.56	393.04	406.56	up	6.65
Utility	563.07	449.82	462.98	up	0.97

Bank	250.88	245.65	249.25 off 0.72
Transport	389.64	381.85	389.31 up 3.14

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (9-27) 341.19

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	150.75 up 1.56
Industrial Index	145.53 up 1.89
NASDAQ-100 Index	354.11 up 5.73
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.83 up 0.09
Volume	130,812,600 shares
Advances	844
Declines	782
Unchanged	1,173
Total	2,799

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DALLAS (SEPT. 28) UPI - The growing problems of the nation's banking industry could adversely affect the federal government's effort to resolve the thrift crisis because a large number of the thrifts have been sold to banks, a top thrift regulator warned Friday.

''It generates concern because 80 percent of the thrifts have been sold to commercial banks,'' Timothy Ryan, director of the Office of Thrift Supervision told reporters after a luncheon meeting sponsored by Southern Methodist University.

If the banking industry's problems deteriorate, Ryan said, ''We diminish the number of potential bidders for the thrifts.''

Stocks of U.S. commercial banks have plunged because of Wall Street's fears their earnings will decline sharply as a result of worsening real estate loan portfolios and other loan losses. The tide of small bank failures across the nation shows no sign of easing, and rumors abound that larger banks are experiencing financial problems.

Speaking at the SMU's management briefing luncheon, Ryan gave an overview of of the government's thrift cleanup effort - whose costs continue to mount with more institutions facing collapse.

Ryan said the Treasury Department's latest estimate of the cost is between $90 billion and $130 billion on a present value basis. He also noted the General Accounting Office has put the cost between $350 billion to $500 billion,

estimates that include funds needed to finance the bailout over 40 years.

But he said the signing of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act by President Bush in August 1989 has strengthened regulatory standards, especially in enhancing capital standards for thrifts and requiring their owners to put their own money at risk.

He said under the act, regulators can level civil money penalties of up to $1 million a day on individuals and institutions that do not meet their fiduciary responsibilities.

The Resolution Trust Corp., created by the act to manage failed thrifts and their assets, has thusfar resolved 264 institutions with $80 billion in assets without harming insured depositors.

''RTC is the single largest financial startup in the history of this country '' Ryan said, noting that the agency's creation a year ago, 487 thrifts with total assets of $168 billion have been placed in its conservatorship program.

Speaking about the entire thrift industry, Ryan said in the second quarter of this year, the nation's 2,452 institutions holding over $1 trillion in assetslost $196 million.

''This represents a continuing moderation of losses in the private- sector industry, due to transfers to the RTC and reductions in loan-loss provisions '' he said.

Ryan said 1,169 thrifts, representing 48 percent of the industry and holding $371 billion in assets, or 35 percent of the total, have been consistently profitable in the past four quarters, earning a total of $2.33 billion.

Another 27 percent of the institutions, 674 in all, with assets of $352 billion, or 33 percent of the total, earned about $500 million over the past year.

Thus, better than two-thirds of the industry are profitable and meet the tougher regulatory capital standards, he said.

At the end of June 30, he said, there were only 244 institutions, or 10 percent of the industry, with about $160 billion of assets, that would be taken over by the RTC. Another 350 institutions with low earnings and poor capital may also become RTC candidates.

''Any further deterioration in economic conditions in the real estate markets, or volatility in the financial markets, will certainly impair the prospects of the survival of the troubled S&Ls,'' Ryan said.

Ryan said the RTC and OTS have instituted a new accelerated resolution program

designed to speed up the marketing and sale of troubled thrifts before they are declared insolvent and brought under conservatorship. He said this is being done to prevent the loss of franchise value, which occurs after a thriftis placed in conservatorship.

He said the future thrust of RTC's activities must consist of the orderly but rapid disposition of assets at the best possible price.

Contrary to public perception, Ryan said, only about 30 percent of the assets in RTC hands are real estate. The rest consists of assets that can be marketed and sold quickly.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended September 28, 1990:

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Citicorp	13,176,800	15 7/8	12 3/4	14 1/4	off	1 1/2
Chase Manhtan	12,307,800	12 5/8	10 1/8	11 3/4	off	1
AT&T Company	11,888,100	31 7/8	30 1/2	30 7/8	off	1/2
Genl Electric	11,406,800	56	50 1/4	54 1/2	off	1 3/8
Philip Morris	10,659,900	45 1/2	43	45 1/4	up	1/2
Boeing Co	10,071,200	42 1/4	38 1/2	41 5/8	off	1 5/8
PepsiCo Inc	9,299,800	23	21	23	up	3/4
MCA Corp	9,017,100	62 1/8	34 1/8	58 3/4	up	23 3/4
IBM Corp	8,947,600	107 1/8	102 7/8	106 3/8	off	3/8
Unisys Corp	7,791,200	7 3/8	4 7/8	5	off	2 3/8
Wal-Mart Strs	7,178,800	27 3/8	25 5/8	27 1/4	up	7/8
Waste Mangment	7,174,800	34	30 1/2	33 3/4	up	1/4
Genl Motor	6,538,000	37 1/8	35 3/8	36 1/4	off	3/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	6,123,400	28 3/4	25 1/8	28 3/8	up	2 1/8
Limited Inc	6,045,000	14 3/8	12 1/2	13 3/4	off	7/8
GTE Corp	6,038,100	26 7/8	25 1/8	26 3/4	up	1
Security Pac	5,972,000	24 1/4	19	22 1/2	off	1 3/4
BankAmerica	5,592,700	20 1/2	18 3/4	20 1/4	unch	
Eastman Kodak	5,558,900	40 7/8	37 5/8	38 1/2	off	2 3/4
Occidntl Pet	5,546,000	21 3/8	18 1/4	19 3/4	off	1 5/8

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - The 10 most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended September 28, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Painw W Gr wtB	3,996,100	11 3/4	9 1/8	10 1/4	up	1 1/4

Salomon wt Jan	3,251,500	22 1/4	18 1/8	21 1/8	up	2 3/4
Denmark K wt	3,145,700	23	19 1/8	22	up	2 7/8
Eksport wt	2,080,700	11 3/4	9 1/8	10 3/4	up	1 3/4
Echo Bay Mines	2,049,100	14 1/8	12 5/8	13 3/4	up	1 1/8
Hillhaven	1,987,600	1 5/8	1 3/8	1 1/2	unch	
Salomon Phibro	1,983,400	4 1/8	3 3/4	3 7/8	up	1/8
Fruit of Loom	1,587,900	9 3/4	7 7/8	9 1/2	up	1 1/8
Salomon wt Feb	1,465,400	23 1/8	19 1/8	22 1/8	up	2 3/4
Wang Labs B	1,379,800	3 3/8	2 7/8	3 1/4	off	1/4

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended September 28 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	162,212,960	110,608,890	664,300	402, 000
Tuesday	155,943,590	141,129,580	749,500	1,020, 500
Wednesday	155,619,990	147,557,140	760,200	1, 199,600
Thursday	182,694,970	145,112,000	849,700	906, 900
Friday	201,037,360	201,054,180	1,283,800	681, 900
Total	857,508,870	745,461,790	4,307,500	4,210, 900

Bonds

	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 37,274,000	$ 27,016,000
Tuesday	$ 36,269,000	$ 45,011,000
Wednesday	$ 31,854,000	$ 40,389,000
Thursday	$ 35,910,000	$ 32,193,000
Friday	$ 43,085,000	$ 45,023,000
Total	$184,392,000	$189,632,000

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	5	5	10
New lows	427	402	264

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	840	133,901,600
Declines	734	57,329,000

Unchanged	395	19,779,400
Total	1,969	201,010,000

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended September 28, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5875	off	150
Ogden pf	101 1/2	off	48
Utd Telc pf	80	off	34 5/8
MCA Corp	58 3/4	up	23 3/4
Kyocera Corp	83	off	12 1/4
CBS Inc	168 1/2	up	10 7/8
Kubota Ltd	91	off	10
Honeywell Inc	78 3/4	off	9 1/8
Amer Stores	52 7/8	off	8 1/4
CapCiti/ABC	467	up	8
ITT Corp pfO	74	off	7 3/4
Progressive	45 5/8	off	7 5/8
SPX Corp	16 1/4	off	6 5/8
Harris Corp	18 1/4	off	6 5/8
Atl Richfld	134 3/8	off	6 1/2

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UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 28) UPI - A senior U.S. official said Friday that U.S. commitment to Israel's defense is ''rock-hard.''

But, as that was explained to reporters by several administration officials, that commitment is specific and limited and does not apply to future threats beyond the crisis in the Persian Gulf:

-It applies only to an attack by Iraq on Israel and does not necessarily apply to any attack from another Arab country. Israel believes that the main threat to its security comes from Syria. It says nothing about what the United States would do if the Israelis were to attack Iraq in the case of Iraq crossing into Jordan.

-It does not specify what form the U.S. aid would take, but the commitment was made on the assumption that Israel is not interested in having American troops involved in Israel's defense.

-Therefore, there is the assumption the American commitment will involve only an attack by Iraq, thus placing Israel and Saudi Arabia on a parallel.

The commitments, which were stated publicly earlier this month in Congress before a House subcommittee by Assistant Secretary of State for Near East Affairs John Kelly, were renewed this week in talks between U.S. officials and Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy in New York.

The Israelis, in mentioning them to reporters, appeared pleased with the restatement of U.S. policy, despite its limitations.

American sources close to Israeli officials quoted Secretary of State James Baker as telling Levy that ''the United States would regard an attack on Israel as a detonator for (a U.S.) attack on Iraq.''

Israeli officials were said to be pleased about the reassurance because although Israel had agreed with the United States to remain ''sidelined'' during the Persian Gulf crisis, the Jewish state had begun to ''feel ignored as well,'' the sources said.

The United States has sought to keep Israel out of the crisis so that Washington could line up a coalition of Arab states to oppose Iraq's conquest of Kuwait. Washington feared the coalition would fall apart if Israel surfaced visibly as one of the front-line states in the conflict.

But this low profile policy has created anxiety in Israel, the sources said, because Israeli short- and long-term needs are being ignored while billions of dollars in military and economic aid are being earmarked for Egypt, Turkey and Jordan.

There is concern in Israel, too, that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will make good on his threat of Sunday to launch a preemptive strike against Israel and the Saudi oilfields if the economic embargo strangles Iraq.

Baker's reassurance to Levy also was viewed as a nuance in the U.S. position toward Israel since the crisis erupted.

''It was a different line from what the United States had been saying - that the United States will take care of Saudi Arabia while Israel will defend itself,'' one source said. ''It's also a way of (Baker) saying to Israel, 'Don't worry, if they (the Iraqis) attack, we'll attack.'''

Baker met Friday with foreign ministers of the Gulf Cooperation Council to discuss the threat from Saddam, as well as with the foreign ministers of Syria Tunisia and Algeria.

One official summed up the series of meetings between Baker and the Arab states as reflecting a new awareness of the threat that Saddam represents to the region, and a new willingness to do something cooperatively about the future threat, once the current crisis is finished.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 13
New lows 146

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	291	9,186,100
Declines	293	6,706,000
Unchanged	253	2,517,900
Total	837	18,410,000

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (SEPT. 28) UPI - The launch of a $30 million Delta 2 rocket Friday carrying a $65 million Global Positioning System military navigation satellite was postponed to Saturday because of rain and heavy clouds.

The 126-foot, blue-and-white Delta 2 rocket had been scheduled for liftoff at 5:44 p.m. EDT from launch complex 17 at the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, despite predictions of a 90 percent chance of stormy weather that would prevent an on-time launch.

Mounted inside a protective nose cone atop the slender rocket was a Global Positioning System ''Navstar'' satellite, the ninth in a planned network of such spacecraft that ultimately will allow military forces on the ground, at sea and in the air to determine their location and altitude to within 53 feet anywhere in the world.

But shortly after 5 p.m., Air Force mission managers decided to cancel the launch attempt because of stormy weather over the Air Force station. The flight was rescheduled for liftoff at 5:40 p.m. Saturday with forecasters calling for a 40 percent chance of more bad weather.

The Delta record stands at 20 successes in a row dating back to May 3, 1986, and a perfect 12 straight for the upgraded Delta 2, including five commercial launches. The rockets are built by McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co. of Huntington Beach, Calif.

The Air Force plans to launch 21 upgraded ''block 2'' GPS satellites to join seven older and less sophisticated ''block 1'' spacecraft already in space. The satellites are built by Rockwell International's Satellite Systems Division in Seal Beach, Calif., under a $1.2 billion contract.

Eighteen block 2 satellites are required to complete the global navigation network. Three of the 21 bound for orbit will serve as spares with another seven available on the ground for launch as needed.

Additional satellites are planned and through the end of the century, the GPS program is expected to cost some $8.5 billion.

Equipped with sensitive atomic clocks, four such satellites will be ''visible'' at any given time from anywhere on Earth. Military forces on the ground, at sea or in the are will be able to use radio signals from the satellites to pinpoint their locations to within about 53 feet.

GPS satellites originally were to be launched from NASA's space shuttle.

But after the 1986 Challenger disaster, which grounded the shuttle program for 32 months, the Pentagon embarked on an unprecedented rocket construction program to guarantee independent access to space.

McDonnell Douglas was awarded a $316.5 million contract Jan. 21, 1987, to build seven Delta 2 rockets for the GPS program. The contract included options however, for 13 additional vehicles for a total contract value of $669 million.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	167.85	162.99	167.85	up 2.49
Industrial	209.19	203.15	209.19	up 2.83
Transport	130.38	126.74	130.38	up 1.24
Utility	84.41	82.69	84.41	up 0.95
Finance	110.78	105.93	110.78	up 3.40

Equivalent to a gain of 44 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 201,010,000 shares.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - House and Senate negotiators on clean air legislation traded angry words over alternative fuel provisions Friday,

prompting one key senator to express concern about a communications breakdown that could kill the bill for this session.

With Congress scheduled to adjourn within two weeks, the negotiators agreed time was short to reach a final compromise between the differing clean air bills passed by the House and Senate earlier this year.

The two sides then proceeded to hurl recriminations at each other over a new House proposal on low-polluting ''clean fuel'' vehicles that can run on alcohol fuels or natural gas.

As for the overall progress of negotiations, Sen. Max Baucus, D- Mont., chairman of the Senate delegation, lamented, ''We are still miles apart on some key issues. I am quite concerned with the relatively slow pace.''

The darkest note was sounded by Sen. John Chafee, R-R.I., who charged the complicated House proposal on alternative fuels - 12 days in the making - was part of an effort to push senators up against time pressures that would force them to accept House language.

''I fear what's going on here is a delaying strategy,'' said Chafee, the leading Senate Republican on clean air issues. ''I worry we're going to be put in a take-it-or-leave-it situation.''

Chafee said if that occurred, senators might be inclined to leave it and start over next year with a new clean air bill.

Chafee said even if the negotiators reach agreement, the resulting compromise bill faces a possible filibuster on the Senate floor that could be fatal, especially considering the little time remaining in the session.

The senators' complaints drew a sharp response from Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich. chairman of the House negotiators, who asked senators to cut their ''constant carping'' and get down to business.

The squabbling came one day after President Bush proposed a compromise clean air plan out of concern over lagging negotiations. Both senators and House members said Bush's plan came too late and could worsen matters by reopening issues already settled.

The bitter exchange over alternative fuels was touched off by Baucus's opening remarks, in which he dismissed the House proposal as a setback entirely unacceptable to senators. ''It does not even serve as a basis for further negotiations,'' he said.

Baucus criticized House negotiators for taking 12 days to formulate the plan, with virtually no communications with the Senate. He said the Senate had been ''very forgiving'' about House dawdling, but that time is running out.

Baucus's sharp remarks drew a seething reply from Dingell.

''I was not aware that there was anything (in the House proposal) that would occasion such a splendid response,'' Dingell said with heavy sarcasm.

However, he added, ''I will ignore a number of the remarks made, in fact, most of them. We can sit here and listen to speeches of this character or we can address the business of this conference.''

Tempers had cooled somewhat by the end of the meeting, with senators agreeing to take another look at the alternative fuel proposal and House members promising to clarify any misunderstandings.

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(SEPT 28) UPI - A cold front curving through the nation's midsection brought cool temperatures to northern states and triggered a line of showers and thunderstorms from the Rockies to Michigan.

Midday temperatures reached only the 50s and 60s in the northern Plains, Great Lakes and upper Mississippi Valley, the National Weather Service said. Ahead of the front, temperatures warmed to the 80s in the southeastern and south central states.

On the edge of the front, showers and thunderstorms spread across parts of New Mexico, Colorado, Oklahoma, Kansas, Iowa, Indiana and Michgan, the NWS said. Showers also were scattered over Florida.

Fair and dry weather prevailed across the rest of the nation.

Early morning fog that covered parts of Kentucky, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania burned off by midday. The fog had dropped visiblity to near zero in low-lying areas, especially near streams and rivers.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - The dollar moved mostly higher in thin, end-of-period trading Friday as currency market players who had squared their books took advantage of a day without significant news to move to the sidelines.

Another factor reducing foreign exchange trading volume was that for Japan it was the end of the first half of the fiscal year beginning in April. Also, the Jewish high holy day of Yom Kippur began at sundown.

''It was month-end, quarter-end and fiscal half-year end for the Japanese, so

there were very few participants who wanted to deal in the market,'' said vice president Charles Spence of First Interstate Bank.

Bob Hinton, a Harris Bank vice president and senior advisor, said there was ''really no movement at all'' in the Japanese yen, while most other currencies were ''a little paralyzed'' by the Persian Gulf stalemate.

''A lot of people were very happy to see the end of the quarter ... square out (their books) and leave it alone,'' Hinton said.

But Gulf-related uncertainties obliged a certain number of players to buy the U.S. unit to cover short positions for the weekend, analysts said. The stock market's recovery also helped the dollar, they said.

Late in the New York session, the dollar was quoted at 1.5660 German marks, up from 1.5610 Thursday, and 138.53 Japanese yen, up from 138.10.

Hinton said there was little reaction to the government's announcement that the forward-looking index of leading economic indicators slipped 1.2 percent in August. It was the largest decline this year.

Commented Spence of First Interstate: ''It basically came out as expected, so there was no real impact on the market at all.''

The British pound ended at $1.8770, down from $1.8785.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2975 Swiss francs, up from 1.2930; 5.2400 French francs, off from 5.2525; and 1,170 Italian lire, up from 1,167.30.

In Europe, the dollar closed mostly lower in light trading as players waited for fresh Gulf news and a U.S. interest rate shift.

''There is nothing going on, but the dollar is fundamentally weak,'' commented analyst George McMahon with Kleinwort Benson. However, ''nobody is going to sell (the U.S. unit) with the Gulf hanging over.''

Analysts said the dollar would stay in a narrow range in the absence of major Gulf developments or U.S. monetary policy shifts.

In London, the pound declined against the dollar despite rising oil prices to close at $1.8690 vs. $1.8710 at the close Thursday.

The dollar ended lower in Frankfurt at 1.5665 German marks vs. 1.5680, and in Zurich also fell, to 1.2980 Swiss francs vs. 1.3085.

It slipped in Paris, Brussels, and Milan, at 5.2365 French francs vs. 5.2485, 32.25 Belgian francs vs. 32.28, and 1,170.70 Italian lire vs. 1, 172.60.

In Tokyo, the dollar gained on the yen amid concern Gulf tensions could drive oil prices even higher. It closed at 137.95 yen vs. 137.50 Thursday.

''The market has been nervous about the Mideast, so it reacts to every rumor '' said Sumitomo Bank manager Hidehiko Nakagawa.

Gold closed higher in Zurich at $406.50 an ounce vs. $404.50. But it moved up in London, to $404.75 an ounce vs. $405.25.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $403.75 an ounce, off from $405.75 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $402.50 an ounce, down from $405.

Silver remained unchanged in Zurich at $4.80 an ounce, but was slightly lower in London at $4.81 an ounce compared with $4.82.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.785 an ounce, off from $4.80. Comex silver finished trading at $4.761 an ounce, also down from $4.771.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - Justin Lebo, 13, of Saddlebrook, N.J., who fixes bicycles for poor youngsters, will accompany President Bush to the opening of the United Nation's World Summit on Children, the White House said Friday.

Justin runs his bicycle shop on money he raises from lemonade sales. Earlier this year, he was selected as one of Bush's ''daily points of life,'' distinguished volunteers in service to America.

The two-day children summit begins Sunday. Justin will join 70 other youngsters as official escorts for their respective heads of state, the White House said.

Justin will also serve as the U.S. youth representative at the concluding session by witnessing the signing of the Summit Declaration.

For the past three years, Justin has repaired and restored old and discarded bicycles for distribution to disadvantaged children.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week

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Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total

Sept 28, 1990	24	948	448	1496	210	2154
Sept 21, 1990	50	616	504	1374	279	2157
Sept 29, 1989	167	86	915	893	338	2146
Sept 30, 1988	75	62	1065	722	349	2136

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.11	8.21	9.24
91-day Treasury bills	7.36	7.46	8.25
182-day Treasury bills	7.53	7.60	7.88
1-year Treasury bills	7.67	7.74	7.87
3-year Treasury notes	8.15	8.22	8.46
7-year Treasury notes	8.69	8.74	8.39
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.94	9.02	8.25
10-year US West Corp -(new)	10.30	9.40	8.97
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.95	10.00	9.24
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.27	9.30	9.28
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.50	9.57	9.28
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.53	9.57	9.42
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.51	9.55	9.41

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - The Education Department announced a plan Friday that the agency said will put the financially troubled Higher Education Assistance Foundation out of the guaranteed student-loan business within three years.

HEAF, one of the nation's largest guarantors of student loans, has a loan portfolio of just under $9 billion and has been teetering on the verge of bankruptcy for several months.

HEAF, like other guarantee agencies, insures student loans by paying bank lenders 100 percent of a defaulted loan. The Education Department, in turn,

reinsures the guarantor's loan.

But for most of the last four years, the government has been paying HEAF only 80 percent of the loan amount, as the law requires, since HEAF's defaults have exceeded 9 percent of its entire portfolio.

In August, the Student Loan Marketing Association, known as Sallie Mae, extended HEAF $200 million in credit as a way to avoid bankruptcy.

Now, under an agreement in principle between the Education Department and Sallie Mae, HEAF's existing portfolio will be managed by HEAF and a new subsidiary of Sallie Mae for the next three years. By the end of that period, all of HEAF's existing portfolio will have been assigned to new guarantee agencies.

Under the plan - to cost the government about $30 million - HEAF will do no new guarantee business once the Education Department names, within a few days, interim guarantors in states where HEAF currently is the designated guarantor - West Virginia, Minnesota, Kansas, Wyoming and Washington, D.C. The Nebraska Student Loan Program will continue to serve as the designated guarantor for the state of Nebraska, where HEAF also has done business.

Permanent guarantors will be designated by late 1993.

A new HEAF board will be appointed by the Education Department and Sallie Mae.

Also, Sallie Mae will finance HEAF's operations, but neither Sallie Mae nor its new subsidiary will be allowed to issue new guarantees.

Education Under Secretary Ted Sanders said the deal will not be complete until Sallie Mae and HEAF formally agree to the plan, but he said he does not anticipate any hitches.

Through management fees and performance incentives, Sallie Mae could earn up to $20 million for its efforts, Sanders said, but he noted that Sallie Mae's costs could run about $15 million.

Sanders also said Richard Hawk, HEAF's chairman and chief executive officer, ''is not a part of the new organization.''

HEAF's financial woes were caused largely because nearly three- fourths of its loan portfolio a few years ago were loans for trade schools, which had a high default rate. Its 1989 mix was about 35 percent for trade schools and the rest for four-year institutions, Sanders said.

The Education Department's inspector general has been investigating HEAF's financial crisis, but Sanders said initial reports have not uncovered any wrongdoing.

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Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Wk Ago	Change
Federal funds rate	8.11	8.22	off 0.11
91-day Treasury bills	7.36	7.36	unchanged
182-day Treasury bills	7.53	7.34	up 0.19
1-year Treasury bills	7.67	7.24	up 0.43
3-year Treasury notes	8.15	8.28	off 0.13
7-year Treasury notes (new)	8.69	8.85	off 0.16
30-year Treasury bond (new)	8.94	9.12	off 0.18
10-year Bell Telephone bond	10.30	9.42	up 0.88
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.95	10.10	off 0.15
GNMA 11 1/2 15-year mortgage	9.27	9.33	off 0.06
GNMA 12 1/2 30-year mortgage	9.50	9.63	off 0.13
F12 1/2 30-year mortgage	9.53	9.62	off 0.09
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.51	9.60	off 0.09

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90271u1816 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - Richard Claytor, President Bush's new choice to oversee the Energy Department's troubled nuclear weapons complex, breezed through a Senate confirmation hearing Friday with no sign of opposition.

Members of the Senate Armed Services Committee said they saw no obstacles to quick approval of Claytor, who was nominated by Bush earlier this month to be assistant secretary of the Energy Department in charge of defense programs.

''I see no opposition at all,'' Sen. James Exon, D-Neb., told Claytor, currently principal deputy assistant secretary for nuclear energy in the Energy Department.

As with Energy Secretary James Watkins, Claytor got his grounding in nuclear engineering as a former aide to the late Adm. Hyman Rickover, chief proponent of the nuclear Navy. He then worked with the engineering firm of Burns & Roe.

The low-key hearing on Claytor was a stark contrast to the controversy that torpedoed Bush's first nominee for the weapons plant post, Victor Stello, who withdrew from consideration five months ago.

Stello, a former Nuclear Regulatory Commission official, dropped out following the release of an NRC inspector general report that raised questions about Stello's truthfulness in answering questions about an internal NRC staff rift. Stello remains at the Energy Department as principal deputy assistant energy secretary for defense programs, a post that requires no Senate confirmation.

If confirmed, Claytor would be Stello's direct supervisor and have overall responsibility for the department's 17 nuclear weapons plants, most of which face severe pollution and safety problems that have grown up over four decades of operation.

Claytor's nomination is especially sensitive in view of revelations that weapons plant operators - shielded by national security secrecy - routinely discharged huge amounts of toxic and radioactive waste into the environment in flagrant violation of environmental protection laws.

In addition to addressing environmental problems, Claytor must resolve safety problems that have shut down several aging plants, in particular three 1950s-vintage weapons reactors at the department's Savannah River Plant in South Carolina and the Rocky Flats facility in Colorado. The plants produce radioactive tritium and plutonium for use in nuclear warheads.

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#90271u1851 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - The House approved an emergency measure today to increase the amount of oil that can be removed from the strategic petroleum reserve. The Senate is likely to get a similar bill later today. The House bill would triple the size of a test oil sale from the reserve to 15-Million barrels... in an effort to ease jittery nerves on the oil markets.

The action in Congress follows a request earlier today from the International Energy Agency. It asked its 21 member nations to get ready to use their strategic oil reserves if it's necessary to increase the world petroleum supply.

A Deltaoff at Cape Canaveral. But there's an 80 percent chance of stormy weather that would prevent the launch late this afternoon. The rocket carries the ninth in a globe-spanning network of military navigation satellites.

The Illinois Supreme Court says three-year-old twins canNOT be forced to undergo tests to determine whether they are suitable bone marrow donors for their half-brother. The 12-year-old half-brother is dying from a rare form of

leukemia.

Federal legislation that would control the rates charged by cable television companies may be dead for the year. Senate action was blocked today by members of both parties. The House previously approved a similar measure.

Police in Kingston, Massachusetts, are digging up the backyard of a church deacon in a search for a second body. The grim hunt comes after police found the body of a 13-year-old girl in the deacon's basement.

Students at the University of District of Columbia are occupying a campus building for a third day. Mayor Marion Barry today presented a proposal designed to end the protest that has shut the school down.

A Catholic Diocese official describes as ''UNnecessary and UN- American'' raids last night in Brownsville, Texas. Border Patrol agents arrested 34 refugees at a church-sponsored shelter, saying they were looking for foreign terrorists.

Political strategist Lawrence O'Brien is dead at 73. A spokesman says the man who chaired the Democratic National Committee during the Watergate scandal died of complications from cancer last night at New York hospital.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Sept 28, 1990	32	392	193	664	152	1009
Sept 21, 1990	27	248	228	571	192	991
Sept 29, 1989	72	41	419	387	193	999

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 28) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Afffliated Fund 8.92 9.57

Anchor Fund Inv	13.95	14.80
Delaware Mutual	16.35	17.53
Fidelity Fund	15.81	15.81
Investors Mutual	10.38	10.93
Investors Stocks	17.37	18.28
Investors Select	8.24	8.68
IDS Equity Plus	8.50	8.95
Mass Inv Growth	7.66	8.26

Nicholas Fund	3.20	3.20
United Accumulated	6.04	6.60
United Income	15.93	17.41
Vanguard Wellington	15.45	15.45

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WICHITA, Kan. (SEPT. 28) UPI - Kansas Gas and Electric Co. Friday asked a federal court to issue a summary judgment that Kansas City Power & Light Co.'s unsolicited tender for KGE violates the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935.

KGE claims in documents filed in U.S. District court in Kansas City, Mo., that the KCP&L offer is unlawful.

The Wichita utility said the act makes it illegal for any company owning 5 percent or more of one public utility's voting securities to acquire 5 percent or more of another without Securities and Exchange Commission approval.

KCP&L owns 47 percent of the Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corp., a public utility, KGE said.

KGE also asked the court to request the SEC file a friend of the court brief regarding the legality of the offer under the Holding Company Act.

Earlier this week, KGE claimed the tender was illegal in another filing with the federal court. KGE answered a KCP&L request that the court rule its actions complied with certain securities laws.

KCP&L on July 23 announced an unsolicited $857 million tender for KGE's common stock.

KGE officials have rejected the offer, saying it is inadequate and does not reflect the future value of KGE.

The Wichita utility said it is negotiating with an unidentified third party regarding a transaction that could lead to a merger.

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#90271u1907 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

PROVIDENCE, RI (SEPT. 28) UPI - Providence Journal Co. said Friday it has agreed to loan the Lowell Sun, of Lowell, Mass., $26 million over five years.

The Journal says that, as part of the agreement, there is an option to convert the loan after three years into a one-third interest in the Sun.

In a prepared statement, Sun Publisher John Costello said both his newspaper and the Journal are ''rich in tradition and understand the need to provide quality journalism'' to readers.

Journal Chairman Stephen Hamblett said he is ''very optimistic'' about the growth potential in the Lowell market. Lowell, a city of about 90,000, is about 35 miles northwest of Boston.

The Journal is a privately-held media company that recently announced it was selling its cellular phone subsidiary for $710 million.

The Sun is also a privately held paper. Its general manager, Kendall Wallace, says the infusion of new money from the Journal will relieve the Sun from debt pressure and allow it to consider new capital expenditures.

Under terms of the agreement, the Journal has up to five years to exercise its stock option and can loan the Sun more money during that time.

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#90271u1922 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 28) UPI - The foreign ministers of the U.N. Security Council's five permanent members agreed Friday to seek separate solutions to the Persian Gulf crisis and the Palestinian problems in the Israeli-occupied territories.

The foreign ministers from the United States, Soviet Union, China, Great Britain and France reiterated their condemnation of Iraq and demanded the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

''This aggressive action must not be tolerated,'' the ministers said in a statement that emphasized their ''commitment to seek together ... a peaceful solution to the crisis.''

Expressing concern over the rising tensions in the Middle East, the communique also urged countries in the region to negotiate a peace plan ''leading to a comprehensive, just and lasting peace.''

Such a peace plan should be based on two previously adopted U.N. resolutions - 242 and 338 - that guarantee the existence of Israel and call for the withdrawal of Israeli troops from the occupied territories of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, the statement said.

Attending a luncheon meeting hosted by U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar were U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd and French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas.

Although the two issues dominated the discussion at the foreign ministers' meeting, Hurd said the Security Council members agreed that the Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and settlement of the Palestinian question should not be linked.

''It's very clear there should be no linkage between them,'' Hurd said.

The ministers demanded that Iraq withdraw unconditionally from Kuwait, which was invaded Aug. 2 and later annexed; allow the restoration of Kuwait's legitimate government; free all hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait; and respect the immunity of diplomatic officials.

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#90271u1924 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - The president of a rural Alabama telephone company, Jeff McGehee, Friday became the newest member of the board of directors for the Rural Telephone Bank.

The bank was created by Congress in 1971 to assist rural utilities with financing electric and telephone service. It has a loan portfolio of $1.5 billion.

McGehee, president and general manager of Southland Telephone Co. of Atmore, Ala., was elected to a two-year term to represent stockholders from the bank's commercial segment.

Five other directors were re-elected. Two of them, Arne Haynes of Mashell Telephone Co. Inc. of Eatonville, Wash., and Curtis Sampson of Communications Systems Inc. of Hector, Minn., also represent commercial stockholders.

The other three represent cooperative-type stockholders. They are Gary Kennedy of Panhandle Telephone Cooperative Inc., Guyman, Okla., John McAllister of West Carolina Rural Telephone Cooperative Inc., Mount Carmel, S.C., and Joseph Velone of the National Telephone Cooperative Association.

The telephone bank is part of the Agriculture Department.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Aetna Life & Casualty	Q	.69	11-15	10-26
Central Hudson G&E	Q	.46	11-1	10-10

Crestar Fincl Corp	Q	.33	10-30	10-10
Dreyfus Strategic MBF	M	.0595	10-26	10-12
Dreyfus Strategic MI	M	.06 1/2	10-26	10-12
Kemper Hi Incm Trust	M	.10	10-31	10-15
Kemper Intmed Govt Tr	M	.0734	10-31	10-15
Kemper Mcpl IT	M	.07 1/4	10-31	10-15
Kemper Strategic MIT	M	.07 1/2	10-31	10-15
Napa Valley Bancorp	Q	.08	11-10	10-15
Pacific Telesis Group	Q	.50 1/2	11-1	10-10
Ralston Purina Co	Q	.46 1/4	12-7	11-1
Republic Capital GI	..	.30	10-26	10-12
Southwestern Bell Corp	Q	.69	11-1	10-10

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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#90271u1943 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

REDWOOD CITY, CA. (SEPT. 28) UPI - Police arrested two teenagers Friday accused of setting a house aflame and making a videotape of the raging fire narrated by a whispering and maniacally laughing arsonist.

Police spokesman Howard Baker said one of the youths, now 19, confessed to sparking the 1988 fire and filming the chilling tape.

Detectives linked the teenager to the torching of 11 other structures and ignition of 15 grass fires in a series of arson blazes that scorched parts of Redwood City and San Mateo County south of San Francisco in 1987 and 1988, Baker said. Four of the structure fires caused more than $2 million in damage.

''There's no motive,'' Baker said. ''We don't know if there are other suspects involved or not.''

Police arrested the two males early Friday on suspicion of arson for starting the Aug. 15, 1988 videotaped fire that burned to the ground an unfinished house under construction on Colton Court in Redwood City.

A 17-year-old boy was released to the custody of his parents. The 19- year-old was confined at juvenile hall pending a judge's decision on whether he would be tried as a juvenile or adult, Baker said.

Investigators got 1,600 calls and possible leads from people across the nation after the videotape was shown on the national television program ''Unsolved Mysteries.''

Investigators were given the tape after a family whose car had broken down found it wrapped in an old military fatigue jacket beside Highway 205 near Stockton, Calif. in August 1989.

The tape shows flames consuming a house at night as an eerie voice whispers, ''Ancient spirit of evil. Look at it. The fire department is trying to put it out. What a laugh.''

The unseen narrator, breathing heavily and laughing, spoke to someone named ''Omar.'' Some investigators thought it could be a reference to Satan.

''Look at it Omar ... this is what I've been doing all week's vacation ... I said I'll do it, I said I'll do it.''

Along with the videotape and jacket, the family found a skull, a pestle used to crush herbs, and other evidence suggesting satanic rituals and worship.

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#90271u1960 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - The farm price index fell a sharp 2 percent this month, propelled by a 25 cent a bushel drop in corn prices and the latest in a four-month skid in wheat prices, the government said Friday.

The index is the Agriculture Department's measurement of prices paid to farmers for their crops and livestock. The September reading of 148 was the lowest since last November.

''Decreases in corn, hogs, potatoes and cattle prices more than offset higher prices for apples, tobacco, broilers and eggs,'' the department said. ''Milk prices were at a record high for September.''

Corn prices dropped 25 cents a bushel since mid-August, ''the largest month to month decrease since a 28-cent decline during the same two months in 1986,'' with prices averaging $2.26 a bushel this month.

The all-milk price was reported at $14.40 per 100 pounds, up 10 cents from August and 40 cents higher than last September when a sudden collapse in production was driving up prices.

Wheat prices averaged $2.48 a bushel, down 10 cents since August and $1.24 lower than one year ago. The September slump in wheat prices followed declines of 21 cents in August, 29 cents in July and 32 cents in June.

This year's wheat crop is estimated at 2.76 billion bushels, the third largest crop on record.

Market prices for barrows and gilts averaged $53.60 per 100 pounds in September, down $3.10 from August. Cattle prices, which reached the record level of $76.10 in August, were down slightly this month to average $75.50 per 100 pounds.

Prices for broilers averaged 35.2 cents a pound, up 2 cents from August. Egg prices, at 68.5 cents a dozen, were 2.9 cents higher than August's level.

The price index stood at 151 in August and 152 in July.

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#90271u1970 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - President Bush says he and Kuwait's ousted emir agreed in talks today that all options must be kept open in the Persian Gulf crisis. National Security adviser Brent Scowcroft says the emir also talked about the ''urgency of the situation'' in the White House discussions. Bush is expected to devote most of his annual address to the United Nations Monday to the gulf situation.

A landmark obscenity trial opened today in Cincinnati. An art gallery faces criminal charges for showing photographs by the late Robert Mapplethorpe. Two starkly different views of his pictures were presented in opening statements. The prosecutor told the jury the photos are obscene, then had two vice squad members testify. A defense lawyer said the photos enhance the culture and education of Cincinnati.

The budget summit conference is back in session. White House and congressional negotiators have yet to work out a five-year 500-BILLION- dollar deficit reduction plan. Talks resumed this afternoon... hoping to reach agreement by the end of the day. This is the deadline President Bush set for agreement about three weeks ago.

A federal judge in Washington, D-C, is being asked to block next month's scheduled launch of the space shuttle Discovery. Three activist groups say a plutonium-reactor aboard the shuttle poses a public hazard, and should be replaced with a solar probe. NASA has until Tuesday to respond in court.

A Wisconsin couple perhaps should have picked a boxing ring instead of a hotel for their wedding night. The district attorney in Elkhorn, Wisconsin, has decided NOT to press charges against the newlyweds who spent their wedding night in jail after getting arrested on charges of biting and hitting each other.

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#90271u1984 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 28) UPI - State smog regulators, moving to establish the world's most stringent tailpipe-emission rules, approved Friday a sweeping plan that includes a requirement for mass-production of electric cars by 1998.

''We recognize that these are very dramatic requirements we are imposing,''

said Jananne Sharpless, chairwoman of the state's Air Resources Board. ''It's going to take a lot of work, but we think it's feasible.''

The program, designed to clean up some of nation's dirtiest air, will require carmakers to start selling progressively cleaner cars beginning in 1994. By the year 2003, every one of the estimated 2 million cars sold in the state would have to be producing 70-percent less pollutants than 1993 models.

The plan includes the requirement that 2 percent of all new cars sold in California in 1998 emit no smog, in effect a mandate to produce an electric car. By 2003, 10 percent of all new cars would have to be electric.

California is regarded as the pace-setter in air-quality regulation, so the plan is expected to have a profound impact. Already, regulators in New York voted earlier this week to follow the California plan, but there are questions whether they have the legal authority to do so.

The plan was approved on an 8-0 vote following two days of hearings, which featured pleas from the auto industry to ease the requirements for specific numbers of cleaner cars.

But, in a victory for the oil industry, the board agreed to drop a proposed requirement that refiners produce a specific volume of cleaner- burning fuels, such as methanol, starting in 1994. Instead, the board agreed to boost the required number of gasoline stations offering the cleaner fuels, raising the 1994 requirement from 30 to 90 stations.

That number would grow to 200 in 1995 and to 400 in 1996. By 2003, the board plans for 6,000 of the state's current 13,000 gas stations to offer clean fuels.

The agency, in a last-minute revision, also agreed to conduct a comprehensive review of the plan in the spring of 1992.

Board member Brian Bilbray, a San Diego County Supervisor, said that the agency has has been under ''immense'' lobbying pressure on the plan, including threats to challenge the board's authority over clean-air regulation in the state.

''I think we need to continue taking the war to the enemy - dirty air,'' Bilbray said. Then, addressing the many representatives of the oil and auto industries in the audience, he said, ''When we're done with this whole thing, you're going to thank us for it.''

The board has been developing the regulations for two years. A key goal is to help the Los Angeles Basin - plagued by the nation's dirtiest air - meet the U.S. government's deadline of 2007 to comply with federal clean air standards or risk losing federal funds.

During the two days of testimony, oil and auto industry representatives complained that the deadlines were not realistic and would force them to adopt technologies that consumers might not accept.

But the agency, composed of appointed officials who oversee all air- quality regulation issues in California, had been widely expected to approve the plan, partly because it has already implemented the nation's toughest tailpipe standards.

''We knew this was coming,'' said Samuel Leonard, director of automotive emission controls for General Motors Corp., which sells about a quarter of the 1.2 million cars sold each year in California, the nation's largest car market.

''The board's idea of feasibility is a lot different than ours,'' Leonard said. ''We'll just have to go back to Detroit and turn our engineers loose.''

GM debuted a prototype electric car, the Impact, in January. At that point, then-Chairman Roger Smith said that under ideal conditions, the vehicle could be ready for mass production in five years.

Leonard, who said GM is committed to an electric car eventually, said the company is not yet certain how soon it would be available, because of the technical problems in developing a longer-lasting, more powerful battery. Such a car would probably need about 800 pounds of batteries and have a range of less than 200 miles per charge.

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#90271u2007 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - There were 173,933 cases of AIDS reported in Latin American, the Caribbean, the United States and Canada by the end of September and 101,602 of the victims had died, officials said Friday.

More than 95 percent of the cases were reported in the United States, Brazil, Canada, Haiti and Mexico, according to statistics released at a meeting of the Pan American Health Organization, which is part of the United Nation's World Health Organization.

The United States reported 143,209 cases while Brazil reported 11,070 cases, Canada 4,427 cases, Haiti 2,456 cases and Mexico 4,454 cases, officials said.

Delegates at the meeting approved a resolution aimed at fighting the spread of the AIDS virus, and expressed concern over the increasing spread of the disease among heterosexuals.

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#90271u2064 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - Utah aerospace companies Thiokol Corp. and Hercules Inc. have received Air Force contracts totaling nearly $130 million to build Peacekeeper rocket motors, Rep. James Hansen, R-Utah, said Friday.

Thiokol, headquartered in Ogden, Utah, will receive more than $76 million for 12 first-stage Peacekeeper rocket motors; while Hercules, based in Magna, will receive nearly $54 million for 12 Peacekeeper third-stage motors, Hansen said.

''Both awards are additions to previous contracts, with the money being obligated in full as of today,'' Hansen said. ''The Air Force's action clearly shows the continued viability of Utah's aerospace industry.''

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#90271u2131 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 28) UPI - A judge denied Friday a request by four performance artists to set aside $23,000 in disputed funds from the National Endowment for the Arts pending outcome of the artists' lawsuit alleging they were denied the money for political reasons.

Lawyers for Karen Finley and Holly Hughes in New York and John Fleck and Tim Miller in Los Angeles requested the funds be earmarked as a precautionary measure ensuring the artists would receive the money if they win the lawsuit.

But U.S. District Court Judge Terry Hatter said the four artists - whose work deals with topics ranging from rape to women's and homosexual rights - could receive the 1990 funds in back payments from the NEA if they prevail.

In their lawsuits filed Thursday, the artists claim they were wrongfully denied funding by the NEA for political reasons in violation of their rights to free speech.

NEA Chairman John Frohnmayer in June vetoed the funding, which already had been approved by an NEA grant review panel, .

Frohnmayer's decision, rather than predicated on artistic merit, was made ''solely on the basis of the political realities (of) the NEA in today's society,'' Carol Sobel, an American Civil Liberties Union attorney representing the artists, said Friday.

Finley and Miller are prior recipients of NEA funds. The suit seeks resconsideration of all four artists application for NEA funds in 1990.

The National Endowment of the Arts has been under attack from artists and arts institutions ever since Congress passed legislation requiring all grant recipients to sign a promise to not produce obscene works.

Several organizations, including Joseph Papp's New York Shakespeare Festival, the Los Angeles-based Bella Lewitzky Dance Company have sued the NEA claiming the obscenity pledge is a violation of constitutional rights.

The suit by the performance artists was the first against the NEA by a rejected grant recipient.

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#90271u2157 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 1) UPI - BankAmerica Corp. said Friday it has petitioned the superintendent of banks in Ecuador for permission to close its two branches in the country.

BankAmerica said it wanted to replace the branches, in Guayaquil and Quito, with a representative office that would handle strictly wholesale banking activities, such as trade finance. The branches are operating with skeleton staffs pending the official decision, BankAmerica said.

The move is part of BankAmerica's five-year-old strategy to focus strictly on wholesale banking overseas, while concentrating heavily on retail operations in the western United States, particularly California.

Since the early 1980s, BankAmerica has closed its retail operations in a number of countries, including Italy, Chile, Argentina, El Salvador, Guatemala Nicaragua and Peru.

At the same time it has rejuvenated its retail operations in California under the leadership of Richard Rosenberg, who oversaw the branch network before being named chief executive officer earlier this year.

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#90271u2181 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - South Korea is the latest nation to close the doors of its embassy in Iraqi-occupied Kuwaiti City. In a statement, South Korea noted the deteriorating situation in Kuwait... saying diplomats could NOT longer perform their normal functions. South Korean officials say embassy staff members were evacuated to Amman, Jordan, by way of Iraq.

A prosecutor in Cincinnati today told a jury that photographs by Robert Mapplethorpe are ''obscenity.'' Cincinnati's Contemporary Arts Center and its director are on trial, charged with pandering obscenity and using children in nudity-oriented material. Two photos in a museum exhibit showed naked children and five others depicted homosexual acts. One defense lawyer argued the photos have serious artistic merit.

Congressional budget negotiators have NOT met today's presidential deadline

for a budget agreement... and the legal deadline when automatic cuts take effect is Monday. The main obstacle remains to be taxes. Sources say Republicans are offering to raise the income tax rate on the richest Americans in exchange for a capital gains tax cut... but Democrats initially wanted a higher increase in the top-end income tax rate.

The Nicaraguan government says it has reached agreement with the Sandinista Front to try to stem rising tensions in the country. A presidential adviser says the agreement was reached last night. Government officials discounted reports by Managua-based Catholic Radio that a coup attempt was being planned. But a Sandinista union chief says workers will go ahead with plans for a massive walkout and street march on Monday.

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#90271u2195 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - The fast pace of New York City will be getting faster this weekend with the largest gathering ever of world leaders. More than 60 heads of state from around the globe are planning to attend the United Nations World Summit for Children. Despite the hoopla, New Yorkers are tending to dismiss the excitement... viewing the visits as more of a nuisance that clogs up traffic.

At least three Washington, D-C, city council members today joined talks aimed at ending a protest by hundreds of students angry about the way their school is run. Councilwoman Charlene Jarvis says she's puzzled at being asked to join the discussions, but expressed confidence that things could be worked out. But Councilman Harry Thomas says it is- quote- ''disgraceful'' that students have shut down the University of the District of Columbia.

California regulators today approved a sweeping automobile emissions plan requiring sales of electric cars. By 1998, two percent of all new cars sold in California must emit NO smog- in effect, a mandate to produce an electric car. By the year 2003... 10 percent of all new cars will have to be electric. And by that same year, all cars sold in the state will have to produce 70 percent less pollutants than 1993 models.

The state of Washington today became the owner of ''Twin Peaks.'' NO, the state will NOT be running the television series... but the pristine, forested setting on which the show is shot. Several state agencies purchased 740 acres of the Mount Si Natural Resources Conservation Area east of Seattle- better known to T-V viewers as the setting for the popular show.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - The following is Money Magazine's Small Investor Index (Dec. 31, 1989 average equals 100):

This week 97.75, off 1.25 or 1.26 percent, compared with 99.00 the previous week.

The week's change for each asset:

Category	PC Chg. Index	PC Chg. Week Ago	PC Chg. Year Ago
Stocks			
Blue chips	88.15	off 3.30	off 10.60
Small stocks	75.82	off 6.38	off 27.58
Equity funds	88.08	off 3.57	off 12.48
Bonds			
Taxable bonds	102.74	up 0.16	up 6.39
Municipal bonds	102.72	off 1.11	up 6.28
Bond funds	99.33	off 0.68	up 0.60
Cash			
CDs	105.92	up 0.14	up 8.01
Money funds	104.47	up 0.11	up 6.03
Other			
Real estate	100.57	off 0.60	up 1.17
Gold	93.65	up 5.48	up 9.46

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TORONTO (SEPT. 28) UPI - Disgraced sprinter Ben Johnson can compete for Canada again in the Olympics and the Pan Am Games, the Canadian Olympic Association decided Friday.

COA President Carol Letheren said the COA executive committee voted 9-3 in favor of Johnson.

''It's just our feeling that the public disgrace and humiliation he's undergone are unprecedented in sport history,'' said Letheren.

Johnson, 28, was stripped of the 100-meter Seoul Olympic gold medal after traces of anabolic steroids were found in his urine. Johnson also lost his world records. His automatic two-year suspension by the International Amateur Athletic Federation was lifted Monday.

The Canadian federal government and Athletics Canada had earlier given Johnson permission to race.

In the past, the COA always banned drug offenders from participating in the next Olympics. Letheren said that in Johnson's favor was the fact he admits what he did was wrong, he's become an anti-drugs spokesman, his new advisors are committed to his well-being and he has been ''punished adequately.''

Johnson has reportedly said his tumble from grace cost him over $20 million in race fees and endorsements.

The COA did not reinstate four weightlifters nabbed for steroid infractions just before Seoul, because they either didn't apply for reinstatement or applied too late, said Letheren, recently appointed an IOC member for Canada.

The COA doping review committee that examined Johnson's reinstatement was headed by Dick Pound, an IOC vice president from Montreal.

Both Letheren and Pound had earlier supported Johnson's reinstatment. Pound argued that banning Johnson from the next Olympics was tantamount to an unfair lifetime ban because of the sprinter's age.

International Olympic Committee President Juan Antonio Samaranch says Johnson should return. But his predecessor disagrees.

''If he is guilty, he should be banned for life,'' former IOC president Lord Killanin said on a British television program Sept. 13.

Letheren said Samaranch's opinion wasn't discussed by the committee.

Johnson's first race will be an indoor sprint in Hamilton, Ontario, Jan. 11. He announced his competitive schedule in Italy earlier this month. He said he would return to sprinting prominence, with his two major goals being the 1991 World Championships in Tokyo and the 1992 Barcelona Olympics.

Johnson and his entourage refuse to release his current training times.

Johnson has reportedly said: ''I know when the races start I'll be ready to set world records again.''

Johnson's handlers are portraying him as a champion of drug-free sport and a role model for children.

Andy Higgins, a longtime Canadian national coach at the University of Toronto, expressed revervations.

''Of course I'm skeptical,'' Higgins said. ''He beat the tests for eight years. Where do you see a change (in attitude)? With the rarest of exceptions, the greatest indication of what people will do in the future is what they've done in the past.''

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#90271u2295 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

ROMULUS, MI (SEPT. 28) UPI - Threat of a fire forced the evacuation of a Northwest Airlines jetliner on a taxiway at Detroit Metropolitan Airport and

three passengers suffered minor injuries going down emergency slides.

The Boeing 727 was taxiing toward the terminal when a warning light indicated a fire in the auxiliary power unit, said Bob Gibbons, Northwest spokesman. The unit provides power to the plane when it is on the ground.

Fire retardant was discharged into the power unit's compartment but when the warning light remained on, crew members called for the evacuation, he said. It was not known if there actually was a fire on the plane, carrying 143 passengers and six crew members from Montreal.

The injured persons, all passengers, were taken to a hospital with bumps and sprains suffered while exiting the plane on emergency slides.

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#90271u2370 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - Heavy fighting broke a cease-fire in Liberia today. Government soldiers of the late President Samuel Doe battled in Monrovia with forces loyal to rebel leader Prince Johnson. The fighting began yesterday when Johnson's rebels found a government arms supply. The other rebel leader... Charles Taylor... said he'll fight for 10 years to drive out an international West African peace-keeping force he described as ''thieves'' and ''hooligans.''

A federal judge in Providence, Rhode Island, is dismissing as unconstitutional attempts to bar 2 Live Crew from performing in the state. The Westerly town council had considered several ordinances to stop the rap group from playing a club date next week. The Windjammer club filed suit to stop the town from interfering with the controversial group's act.

Serbia's ruling Communists have adopted a new constitution that sets for December 9th the republic's first free elections in 45 years. But the legislators did NOT meet opposition demands for a three-month campaign period or equal access to the communist-controlled media. There was NO immediate word on whether opposition parties would boycott the elections in protest.

Diplomats in Burma say the army is girding for anti-government demonstrations rumored to be set for Monday in Rangoon. Political parties have asked the military to allow the legislature to convene by the end of September. Despite the opposition's election victory in May... the military refuses to end its 30-year domination of Burma. One diplomat says the army has ordered 50-thousand hardened mud pellets to fire at monks who pelt them with mud.

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#90271u2386 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

SANFORD, FL. (SEPT. 28) UPI - A circuit judge under fire for freeing a rapist and blaming his victim for the attack Friday was granted his request to be

relieved of all his criminal cases.

Seminole County Circuit Judge Kenneth Leffle, under pressure from Gov. Bob Martinez and women's rights groups, has refused calls for his resignation.

However, he acknowledged the uproar Friday and wrote a one-sentence memorandum to the chief judge of his circuit, asking that he be shifted from criminal to civil cases.

''Due to the potential adverse effect of continued publicity about me on pending criminal cases, I request you temporarily reassign me to civil work,'' Leffler wrote.

Chief Circuit Judge O.H. Eaton Jr. responded with a two-sentence letter granting the request and an administrative order that shifted onto his own docket all of Leffler's criminal cases.

''Pursuant to your request, I am reassigning you to a caseload of general civil cases,'' Eaton wrote to Leffler.

Eaton had no power to discipline Leffler and in an interview earlier this week declined to pass judgment on Leffler's ruling or comments the judge made about the rape victim.

On Sept. 20, Leffler shocked the defense and prosecution by ignoring a plea bargain that called for confessed rapist David McCulloch, 36, to be sentenced to 4 1/2 years in prison and 10 years probation.

Instead, Leffler placed McCulloch on two years probation, resulting in his release from jail that day, and said the victim was partly to blame for the attack.

Leffler said he had presided over the victim's divorce, believed she took advantage of men who cared for her and called her ''pitiful.''

State Attorney Norm Wolfinger has appealed the sentence to the 5th District Court of Appeals in Daytona Beach, calling it illegal because it falls below the state sentencing guidelines, which require defendants to be sentenced to 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 years in prison for the crimes McCulloch committed.

In July McCulloch pleaded guilty to sexual battery, false imprisonment and battery.

Leffler previously announced his plans to retire in December.

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#90271u2393 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

Asian Games

A gold medalist sprinter from Qatar waved the Kuwaiti flag in tribute to the fallen nation during his victory lap at the Asian Games in Beijing. The spirit of sportsmanship did not extend to the boxing ring, where North Korean fighters were expelled from the tournament for Thursday's ringside riot.

Auto Racing

British driver Martin Donnelly survived a 160-mph crash during qualifying for the Spanish Formula One Grand Prix at Jerez de la Frontera, Spain. Donnelly broke his legs, ribs and collarbone and sustained a concussion. ... Kyle Petty posted the quickest lap in first- round qualifying for this weekend's Holly Farms 400 NASCAR race at North Wilkesboro, N.C.

Baseball

Florida officials from Tampa-St. Petersburg said they expect their area will be granted one of two new National League teams in 1993. The expansion committee also heard presentations from Phoenix and a group proposing to have an expansion team split home games among four cities.

Basketball

The Washington Bullets acquired reserve guard Mike Morrison from the Phoenix Suns for a 1993 second-round draft choice. Morrison, 6-foot-4, played 36 games last season for the Suns, averaging 2.0 points and 4.3 minutes a game. ... The Detroit Pistons traded forward Anthony Cook to the Denver Nuggets for a 1992 second-round draft pick. Cook was a first- round pick in 1989 by Phoenix, but was dealt to Detroit on draft night. He played in Greece last year.

Boxing

Former heavyweight champion Max Schmeling celebrated his 85th birthday at his home near Hamburg, West Germany. Schmeling won the championship against Jack Sharkey in 1930, and lost it in a rematch in 1932. His most famous fights were against Joe Louis. ... Norway's state broadcasting company has lifted a 33-year-old ban on showing professional boxing on television. The country's only state TV channel transmitted former heavyweight champ George Foreman's bout against Terry Andersen from London this week, ending a ban dating to 1957.

Harness Racing

Maryland racing officials and legislators are worried the state's harness racing business will collapse because of legal and financial troubles dogging Mark Vogel, who owns the state's only two harness tracks. Vogel agreed to give

up control of Rosecroft in Prince George's County and Delmarva Downs near Ocean City after Maryland Racing Commission officials learned he used money from Rosecroft to prop up his real estate holdings. Vogel also faces a cocaine possession charge.

Hockey

Unless he gains legal clearance, Pittsburgh Penguins first-round draft choice Jaromir Jagr will not be able to play in the Oct. 5 season opener against the Washington Capitals. Jagr, a right wing from Czechoslovakia, is under contract to Kladno, a team in his native country. The Penguins are trying to obtain Jagr's release. ... Islanders center Pat LaFontaine has requested he not accompany the team to the West Coast for its final two exhibition games. According to the club, LaFontaine must attend to a family matter.

Skiing

Georg Capaul, the men's slalom and giant slalom coach for the U.S. ski team the past four years, was fired. John McMurtry, the program's director, said the move was made in part because of poor showings by the team. Capaul also reportedly had difficulties with the media and race officials.

Tennis

Veli Paloheimo of Finland ousted two seeded players in less than 19 hours to advance to the semifinals of the $500,000 Swiss Indoors in Basel. Paloheimo defeated Andrei Chesnokov of the Soviet Union Thursday in a match that lasted past midnight, then came back to upset Magnus Gustafsson of Sweden. Paloheimo faces Yugloslavia's Goran Ivanisevic in Saturday's semifinals. ... Stephanie Rottier of Holland, who upset No. 1 seed Mary Lou Daniels in the first round, will play Alica May of Beverly Hills in Saturday's semifinals of the USTA $25,000 Women's Challenge in Chicago. Carin Bakkum of Holland and Louise Allen of Winston-Salem, N.C., will meet in the other semifinal. ... U.S. Open champion Pete Sampras defeated French Open Mixed Doubles champion Tom Nijssen of the Netherlands, 6-3, 6-4, on opening day of the GTE Myrtel Beach Tennis Festival.

Track and field

Britain's top shot-putter, Paul Edwards, appears certain to miss most of next year's season because he is headed next month to the Persian Gulf with the Royal Air Force. Edwards won a bronze medal at the Commonwealth Games in January.

Soccer

Dale Mitchell must play for the Baltimore Blast. Arbitrator George Nicolau rejected Mitchell's appeal in his attempt to block the Aug. 20 deal that sent

him from the Kansas City Comets to the Blast. Mitchell, 32, is the Major Soccer League's fourth all-time leading goal-scorer.

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#90271u2399 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - Several New England Patriots dispute details of a woman reporter's description of how she was sexually harassed in the team's locker room.

Lisa Olson of the Boston Herald charges that on Sept. 17 she was sitting on a bench, interviewing cornerback Maurice Hurst, when five naked players approached her and made lewd comments. She says that receiver Zeke Mowatt asked, '''Do you want to take a bite out of this?''' while other players ''egged him on.

Mowatt contends he made reference to himself, but not in the manner Olson described.

''The only comment I made to the reporter was: 'You are not writing, you are looking (at us),''' Mowatt said. ''That is all I said and all that I personally am aware of.''

My religious values and my character would never allow me to do or '' he added. ''I am deeply troubled by what has been said about and ''what has been sai

Receiver Cedric Jones also took issue with the account in an interview with the Providence (R.I.) Journal.

''It didn't happen like she's saying,'' receiver Jones said. ''She's making it sound like everybody was standing around cheering. The reason guys were close to her was that she was sitting near the scale. Everybody weighs in, before and after practice.''

Hurst told the Journal, ''Some of the guys felt she could have done (the interview) somewhere else'' rather than near the scale, but this is where Hurst's locker is situated. He agreed with some of Olson's allegations, saying ''Some guys made comments on their way to the showers. I never paid attention to who it was. I was looking at her to see if she'd look up and say something. She never turned her head to see who was talking.''

Hurst says the players did not approach Olson, ''If she says guys were in her face, she's telling a story there.''

Tackle Bruce Armstrong said he saw the entire incident and agrees ''that something was said which was in very bad taste. I'm not trying to justify what Zeke said or to say she wasn't wronged.''

He agreed that other players called out to Olson, but ''I can't say who it was without hurting who said it. But, after Zeke said what he did, somebody said, 'Did you tell her about it?' They didn't say, like some people claim, 'Did you show her?'''

General Manager Patrick Sullivan was not present when the incident took place but told another Herald reporter that ''what was alleged to have happened wasn't what happened.'' The Patriots fined Mowatt $2,000 and Sullivan twice apologized to Olson for the incident.

Mowatt's scheduled Friday morning meeting with NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue was cancelled. Because the controversy kept growing during the past week and became a national issue, Tagliabue decided that a special counsel was necessary to investigate the incident.

On Friday, the Herald reiterated its call for fans to boycott Sunday's Patriots home game against the New York Jets. As of Friday afternoon, the Patriots had more than 20,000 seats remaining for the game at Foxboro Stadium, which has a capacity of 60,794.

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#90271u2531 09/28/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 28) UPI - The House today approved a plan that will channel 15-Million barrels of oil into the American marketplace. The crude would come from the nation's strategic petroleum reserve. The Energy Department says the test sale could begin by the end of October.

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The exiled leader of Kuwait says he and President Bush agreed to keep all options available with respect to the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait. The two men met for two hours today at the White House... which is where Bush will discuss the Persian Gulf crisis tomorrow with his Japanese counterpart.

NO progress is reported as congressional and White House negotiators continue trying to reduce the nation's budget deficit. Time is running out before a pre-determined deadline will implement mandatory budget cuts to the tune of some 105-BILLION dollars. That deadline is Monday- the first day of fiscal 1991

A nearly weeklong ceasefire was shattered today in the Liberian capital as rebel forces loyal to Prince Johnson squared off against government troops. The collapse comes despite the presence of a six- thousand-member West African peacekeeping force.

A coalition of activist organizations filed suit in federal court in Washington, D-C, today seeking to prevent the launch of the space shuttle

Discovery. The groups say a nuclear fuel pack aboard Discovery poses a threat in case of a disaster.

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#90271u2533 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 28) UPI - Stormy weather forced authorities at Cape Canaveral to postpone until tomorrow the launch of a 30-Million-dollar Delta-2 rocket. The craft is carrying a 65-Million-dollar Global Positioning System military navigation satellite and was slated to take off tonight.

An Air Force spokesman says the former number-one Air Force general remains on the Pentagon payroll... despite his forced retirement by Secretary of Defense Cheney earlier this month. The spokesman says the time may be a cushion so General Michael Dugin can arrange his affairs.

A Florida judge who caused a national uproar for his leniency toward a confessed rapist has been temporarily relieved of his criminal cases. Seminole County Circuit Court Judge Kenneth Leffler had requested the move in light of the controversy sparked by his extraordinary actions.

California state smog regulators today approved a sweeping plan that calls for the mass-production of electric cars before the end of the century. If approved completely, the measures are likely to have a profound impact on anti-pollution regulations around the world.

A 13-year-old boy from Saddlebrook, New Jersey, has been selected to accompany President Bush to tomorrow's opening of the United Nations World Summit on Children. Justin Lebo fixes bicycles for poor kids and finances his endeavor through profits from a lemonade stand he operates.

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#90271u2661 09/28/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 28) UPI - The lack of progress in resolving the Persian Gulf crisis affected stock markets around the globe today. The world's largest exchange... in Tokyo... was witness to a huge UNloading of stocks, while European traders followed suit by wiping BILLIONS of dollars off their portfolios. The tense seemingly irreconciable gulf situation has left investors worldwide basing financial decisions on rumors and speculation.

Three passengers suffered minor injuries today as they were evacuated from a Northwest Airlines jet in Detroit. The Boeing 727 was taxiing when a warning light indicated a fire in the auxiliary power unit. Although a fire retardant was discharged into the affected area, the warning light remained on. It is NOT clear if there actually was a fire. The three injuries occurred as the passengers slid down emergency slides.

The attorney for a Kingston, Massachusetts, church deacon says his client is ''bewildered'' by the chain of events that has him jailed on charges of killing his 13-year-old next-door neighbor. Police dug up Henry Meinholz's backyard today in a fruitless search for additional evidence in the killing of Melissa Benoit. The teen's body was found Wednesday... buried in Meinholz's basement.

A federal judge in Los Angeles says there is NO need to set aside 23- thousand dollars in disputed funds from the National Endowment for the Arts. Four performance artists had asked the funds be set aside in case they win a lawsuit against the N-E-A. But the judge says the four can get back payments if they prevail in claims they were denied N-E-A funds for political reasons.

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#90272d4050 09/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO, (SEPT 29) - Eight legislators of the Japan Socialist Party left here Saturday for Baghdad in a bid to find ways of easing the Gulf crisis caused by Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

The delegation from the main Japanese opposition party plans to meet Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to seek an early release of foreign nationals held in Iraq, party officials said.

The lawmakers, led by Satoshi Yatabe, a member of the House of Councillors, the upper house of parliament, are also to visit Jordan and Egypt before returning home on October 9, they said.

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#90272d4330 09/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

YANBU, SAUDI ARABIA, (SEPT 29) - Some 150 Legionnaires were Saturday among 900 French troops who arrived in this western port city by sea to join the multinational forces in Saudi Arabia.

The soldiers arrived aboard the car ferry "Corse," one of three ships transporting French forces, along with military trucks, correspondents said. The two other ships were roll-on, roll-off vessels with 250 vehicles on board.

The soldiers unloaded the equipment before settling into a mammoth hangar, normally used as a depot for plastic products. It will provide temporary quarters until they are deployed on the frontline.

France is contributing to a U.S.-led multinational force to defend Saudi Arabia against possible Iraqi attack after the August 2 invasion of Kuwait. The troops are also enforcing a U.N. trade embargo against Baghdad.

The new arrivals were expected to travel to King Khaled Military City in

northeast Saudi Arabia within 48 hours to join other French soldiers already deployed, said General Michel Roquejeoffre, commander of the French military operation in the kingdom.

On Sunday and Monday, five ships are expected to bring in more French forces, including another 1,000 Legionnaires.

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#90272d4790 09/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA, SEPT 29 - Italian Defence Minister Virginio Rognoni arrived Saturday in this western Saudi city on the second leg of a Middle East tour, Saudi officials said.

Mr. Rognoni, who flew in from a brief visit to Egypt, was to hold talks with his Saudi counterpart Prince Sultan ibn Abdel Aziz on Italy's role in the multinational forces deployed in the Gulf.

The Italian minister is also expected to visit the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Oman.

Rome has sent three frigates and a support ship to the Gulf, and also deployed eight Tornado jet fighters in the UAE to help enforce the U.N. trade embargo against Iraq.

The deployment is part of the massive U.S.-led multinational force sent to the Gulf after Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90272d4860 09/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS, (SEPT 29) - The United States and communist-ruled Albania have held two rounds of talks this year on resuming diplomatic ties after a 51-year break, an Albanian diplomat said here Saturday.

"We have held two rounds of talks in Washington and New York, including one earlier this month," said Genc Mlloja, a counsellor at the Albanian U.N. mission.

"The talks have been constructive and the process is continuing," he told Agence France-Presse.

Albania's chief U.N. delegate Bashkim Pitarka, who led his country's team in the talks, was quoted by The New York Times Saturday as saying: "We are waiting for the last O.K. from the president of the United States. We are ready to begin tomorrow."

A State Department spokesman said a resumption of ties was "likely" but added

that an announcement could take several weeks.

"It's the policy of Albania to have good relations with all countries which want to have good relations with us, which want to reciprocate friendship with friendship," Mr. Mlloja said.

The talks are in line with Tirana's new policy of ending its long-standing self-imposed isolation, in the wake of the democratic revolution in Eastern Europe.

In his first address to the U.N. General Assembly Friday, Albanian President Ramiz Alia said his country totally supported efforts to end "the division of Europe into blocs and spheres of influence."

He also said Tirana hoped to become a full participant at the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) summit scheduled to be held in Paris in November.

Albania will be attending a two-day CSCE preparatory meeting, which opens here Monday, as an observer. It has expressed its desire to join the forum, which groups 33 European nations along with Canada and the United States, as a full member.

Last April, Mr. Alia, who assumed power five years ago after four decades of hardline rule by Enver Hoxha, told the Central Committee of the Albanian Communist Party that he was willing to restore ties with both Washington and Moscow.

The United States brofe off ties with Albania in 1939 after the small European country was invaded and occupied by Italy.

Tirana resumed ties with Moscow last July after a break of 30 years which occurred when the Albanian Communist Party sided with Beijing in an Soviet-Chinese ideological dispute.

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#90272d5340 09/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOGADISHU, (SEPT 29) - A powerful bomb exploded early Saturday at the headquarters of a Somali army unit here, killing at least nine people, injuring several others and destroying part of the bulding.

The cause of the explosion, which was heard over several kilometres (miles), was not immediately known.

It was the fourth such explosion in government buildings in Mogadishu in recent weeks, but the first time there has been one inside a well-guarded army headquarters.

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#90272d5460 09/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIRUT, (SEPT 29) - Lebanese President Elias Hrawi on Saturday went to Damascus for talks with his Syrian counterpart on a possible military operation against Christian military leader Michel Aoun, a presidential spokeswoman said.

Mr. Hrawi, who made an unannounced visit to Damascus, discussed "the situation in Lebanon, notably the possibility of a military option, and all solutions that would isolate General Aoun," said May Kahhaleh.

The visit comes a day after the Lebanese army blockaded the region held by Gen. Aoun in President Hrawi's strongest bid yet to force his authority on the Christian leader.

Mr. Hrawi and Syrian President Hafez al-Assad also discussed the Gulf crisis as well as the Syrian leader's recent visit to Iran and its impact on Lebanon, Mrs. Kahhaleh said.

The visit coincided with a fuel shortage which began pinching residents of the Christian regions where stores were closed Saturday, correspondents said.

Streets in those areas were almost deserted and the few service stations that remained open were selling petrol (gasoline) for 35,000 Lebanese pounds (37.23 dollars) for 20 liters (five gallons), four times the usual price.

Mr. Hrawi's army, led by General Emile Lahoud, surrounded the area overnight Thursday and took control of crossing points previously held by Gen. Aoun's bitter Christian rivals, the Lebanese Forces (LF) militia.

Troops then began preventing all vehicles, except those of MPs, diplomats and Red Cross workers, from entering the 300-square-kilometer (116-square-mile) region, which includes areas in Beirut and northeast of the capital.

Political sources in Syrian-controlled west Beirut said the blockade was likely to be extended to pedestrians in the next few days.

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#90272d6000 09/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD, (SEPT 29) - Iraqi Trade Minister Mohammed Mendi Salih denied on Saturday that foreigners held in Iraq would be refused certain rationed foods.

Salih told the Iraqi News Agency Ina that the present rationing system did not discriminate between Iraqis, diplomatic staff, foreign workers and those he described as ''Iraq's guests''.

The trade minister said there were no instructions to deprive foreign nationals of ration cards ''as some hostile and dubious media claimed,'' according to Ina.

Salih said Iraq had rejected requests by some governments to provide their nationals with more food than they were entitled to by official quotas.

Iraq introduced ration cards for specific foods in the wake of the United Nations trade embargo imposed after Baghdad occupied Kuwait on August 2.

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#90272d6090 09/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM, (SEPT 29) - A Jewish mystic predicted 55 years ago that a "bacteriological and atomic war" would erupt in the Middle East in 1990 during the Jewish feast observed October 4-11, a report published here Saturday said.

The ultra-orthodox weekly Yom Hashishi said Rabbi Haim Shvili predicted in 1935 that a lightning doomsday war would break out during the thanksgiving feast of Succoth which this year starts on October 4 and would pit the Arabs, grouped in strange alliances, against each other.

The prediction published in the current issue of the magazine marking the religious feast of Yom Kippur, or day of atonement, observed on Saturday, said "a downpour of hailstones, bacteria and electric bombs would fall on the enemy" which the rabbi did not name.

But, through a miracle, "the deadly and atomic arsenal set up by the enemy will not funtion", as "the divine presence will protect with its wings the residents of this country (Israel) against the bombs and gas, and enemy aircraft will explode in the sky and discord will tear the enemy apart," he said.

After the war, the mystic said, Jerusalem would enjoy peace "and no enemy will ever again dare to attack it."

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#90272d6160 09/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, (SEPT 29) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Mongolian Foreign Minister Tserenpilyn Gomborsuren signed an agreement here Saturday to promote U.S. private investment in Mongolia.

This first trade or investment related agreement since relations were established between Washington and Ulan Baator in 1987 is intended to assist Mongolia's transition to a market economomy, the State Department said.

Mr. Baker visited Mongolia August 2-3 to encourage the country's democratic

and economic reforms, after it held its first pluralistic elections since the 1930's.

Under the agreement, the Overseas Private Investment Corporation will be able to offer insurance, loans and guarantees to U.S. companies investing in Mongolia.

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#90272p9672 09/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO, (SEPT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The bankruptcy judge in the Imperial Corporation of America (ICA) Chapter 11 case today confirmed ICA's Plan of Reorganization over the objections of the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

Judge Louise DeCarl Malugen found after a two-day hearing that the plan was proposed in good faith by ICA for the purpose of limiting its tax liability under applicable law and preserving its $12 million of assets for distribution to creditors.

The RTC and IRS objected to plan confirmation, arguing that if the court delayed confirmation it might enable the RTC, or the IRS, to trigger taxable events in upcoming months which would support a priority claim for taxes of between $39 and $170 million.

The RTC supported the IRS objection and has filed claims against ICA in excess of $600 million.

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#90272u0033 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

SACRAMENTO, CA. (SEPT. 28) UPI - A federal judge, ruling in a landmark case destined for the Supreme Court, refused Friday to reinstate California's law limiting campaign contributions, except for one crucial part.

U.S. District Judge Lawrence Karlton, who earlier this week ruled the law unconstitutional, reinstated a provision that limits contributions to legislative races.

By doing so, he blocked the state from applying another set of rules that are even more restrictive, but apply only to legislative races.

His decision allows legislators to contribute freely to candidates for statewide office.

It is expected to have a profound effect on candidates strapped for money in the final weeks before the Nov. 6 general election, such as Democratic gubernatorial nominee Dianne Feinstein.

Under the law that Karlton threw out, contributions were limited on a fiscal year basis to $1,000 from individuals, $2,500 from small political action committees and $5,000 from large PACs and political parties.

Voters passed the law in 1988 as Proposition 73 in hopes of curbing special-interest influence over politicians by clamping a lid on big contributions.

After Karlton tossed out the law Tuesday, Feinstein, locked in a tight race against the well-financed Republican Sen. Pete Wilson, raised $200,000 in donations from two labor unions: $50,000 from the California Teachers Association and $150,000 from the California Association of Highway Patrolmen.

The donations would have been banned under Proposition 73. Other candidates also sought larger donations.

Karlton said that although his decision had changed the rules of the game only five weeks from Election Day, constitutional rights were at stake.

''I can't close my eyes to the fact there's an election going on ... and everybody planned their campaigns on the basis of what those rules were,'' Karlton said at a hearing on a motion to suspend his ruling.

The Fair Political Practices Commission, the state's watchdog over campaigns, had planned to implement a rival measure, Proposition 68, that was passed on the same ballot as Proposition 73, but never took effect because it got fewer votes.

Proposition 68 has stricter limits on contributions, but they apply only to legislative races.

Karlton's tricky ruling prevents the FPPC from using Proposition 68, except for its more lenient ban on fund transfers, which allows legislative campaigns and committees they control to donate to statewide campaigns.

The judge said Proposition 73 violates First Amendment rights of free speech by giving incumbents an unfair advantage over challengers, who can only raise money for the election during the fiscal year, rather than the entire election cycle.

''We expect it is going to the U.S. Supreme Court,'' Karlton said during a hearing on efforts to overturn his ruling.

Supporters of Proposition 73 filed an emergency request for a stay late Friday

with the Supreme Court, and also have asked the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to suspend the ruling.

''The decision leaves California's political landscape in a state of disarray barely five weeks before Election day,'' GOP Chairman Frank Visco said.

Joseph Remcho, a lawyer for Democrats whose lawsuit challenged Proposition 73, said candidates are ''all in the same boat'' without its restrictions, just as they were before Karlton tossed it out.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 28) UPI - Negotiations aimed at ending three days of student protests that have shut down the University of the District of Columbia failed to yield an agreement Friday and the students and school trustees said they would resume talks in the morning.

Trustee A. Knighton Stanley said the students agreed to further talks Saturday after the board of trustees vowed to open the school Monday. Opening the school may have meant the forcible removal of about 100 students occupying a building on campus.

Student protesters met with trustees for about 15 minutes Friday, but no progress was made on any of a list of student demands, said student leader Mark Thompson.

Mayor Marion Barry also met with a majority of the 15-member board Friday morning and discussed ''how to keep the university on track'' as hundreds of students, angry over how the school is run, continued to occupy a campus building for a third day.

Councilwoman Charlene Drew Jarvis said she was puzzled at the request by students for city council members to join the talks, but she expressed confidence that ''things could be worked out.''

''The students want stability,'' she said.

Councilman Harry Thomas said it was ''disgraceful'' that students felt they had to shut down the university in order for their complaints and fears to be heard.

''I support whatever those young people want to do 100 percent,'' he said.

Thompson vowed to continue occupying the building until concessions were made by board members. He also urged students of other institutions to join a Friday night rally in a show of support for the UDC students.

''We need major changes at UDC,'' he said. ''Through these emergency meetings, hopefully we will bring that about. We are not backing away from anything.''

Earlier in the day, Barry declined to discuss specifics of the proposal he presented to the board but said he did not ask any member to step down as the students demanded. He said negotiations were going to focus on the ''underlying meaning of the movement'' and not board member resignations.

The board is composed of 11 mayoral appointees, three university alumni and one student representative.

Barry then returned to the university for the second time in as many days and presented a proposal that called for students to meet with the trustees immediately.

''The basic proposal is that they immediately meet with the Board of Trustees themselves,'' Barry said. ''I'm doing all I can to help but I don't want to keep shuffling back and forth.''

On Thursday, Barry met for some four hours with student leaders who issued a lengthy list of demands including mass resignations by the board. Students also demanded that the board rescind its acceptance of a controversial artwork called ''The Dinner Party.''

The board had planned to spend $1.6 million to rennovate part of the campus' Carnegie Library to house the artwork, which has been criticized for its depiction of female genitalia.

The government has threatened to cut $1.6 million in badly needed federal funding for the university because some members of Congress declared the work obscene.

The students said they feared the university could lose accreditation due to actions by the board and accused the trustees of mismanagement.

''We are prepared to stay here until we get exactly what we asked for,'' one student protest leader said Friday. He said the students will remain barricaded in the buildings ''for as long as it takes.''

Hundreds of students Wednesday forced their way into the administration building and the student center. Fewer demonstrators occupied the student center building Thursday and all the protesters had left the administration building.

Interim UDC President Miles Fisher agreed to keep the system's three campuses closed Friday.

The controversy is the latest unrest at UDC, which was formed in 1977 as an

open-admissions university run by the District of Columbia. It has had five presidents or acting presidents in the past eight years and the search is on for a successor to Raphael Cortada, who was fired as president earlier this year.

Trustees, faculty and administrators have frequently wrangled over personnel and academic issues but it is the first time the students, most of them city residents and many of them needing remedial help to remain enrolled, have registered their protests in such physical fashion.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 29) UPI - The special counsel to the Senate Ethics Committee recommended that the panel clear two of the five senators under investigation for their links to the savings and loan scandal, it was reported Saturday.

In a confidential report submitted to the committee on Sept. 10, the special counsel, Robert Bennett, concluded that there was not adequate evidence to merit a full investigation of Sens. John Glenn, D-Ohio, and John McCain, D-Ariz., several officials told The New York Times.

There was some disagreement among committee members on whether they should accept Bennett's recommendation.

Officials told the Times, however, that Bennett had advised the committee to move forward with an investigation of the other senators linked to Charles Keating, owner of the failed Lincoln Savings and Loan Association of Irvine, Calif..

The other senators involved are Alan Cranston, D-Calif., Donald Riegle, D-Mich., and Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz.

The committee announced in December that it was looking into whether the five lawmakers had improperly intervened with regulators on behalf of Lincoln at a time when it was approaching insolvency.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 29) UPI - Republicans at the bipartisan budget summit talks dropped their long-standing demand late Friday for a lower or inflation-adjusted capital gains tax, pushing instead for other pro-growth incentives, two sources said.

One source confirmed that Republicans had given up on capital gains but said that Democrats would give the GOP ''a fig leaf'' - some kind of minor

inflation adjustment to keep from embarrassing Bush and making it appear that Republicans had completely caved in on the controversial issue.

The new GOP position came after Democrats and Republicans hit what one source called ''a wall'' in their unsuccessful attempts to agree on how high income tax rates on the rich should be in exchange for the capital gains adjustments President Bush and Republicans have wanted.

Optimistic negotiators recessed their talks shortly after 11:30 p.m. EDT Friday and planned to resume at noon Saturday. Asked as he left the talks if there had been much discussion about capital gains, Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas said ''not much.''

''We're moving in the right direction and we're all moving together,'' White House chief of staff John Sununu said as he left the talks.

Bargainers hope to reach agreement by Sunday.

More than $105 billion in automatic spending cuts triggered by the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law are scheduled to kick in Monday if the negotiations fail.

That law set the deficit reduction target for fiscal year 1991, which begins Monday, at $64 billion. The administration has projected next year's deficit to be about $169 billion - $105 billion over the target. The automatic cuts are designed to force government spending down to that target level.

Bush has vowed to veto any congressional attempt to delay the Gramm- Rudman cuts, called sequestration, unless a budget agreement is reached first.

Instead of capital gains, a source said, Republicans are now concentrating the demands on pro-growth incentives such as the establishment of enterprise zones tax breaks for investments in emerging or small business and the family savings plan Bush first proposed back in January when he submitted his fiscal year 1991 budget plan.

The source said Republicans had offered during a full day of talks on Friday to alter an anomaly in the 1986 Tax Reform Act, called the bubble, in which couples with taxable incomes of $78,400 to $185,730 paid a higher marginal income tax of 33 percent on that income while richer taxpayers saw their rate drop to 28 percent for income earned over $185,730.

Republicans offered a new top rate of 31 percent, the source said, if Democrats would accept a new package of pro-growth proposals that did not contain a lower or inflation-adjusted capital gains rate.

The 31 percent rate was acceptable, the source said, because that is the rate at which the effect on federal revenues is neutral - those whose taxes would

go up from the current 28 percent would pay enough in extra taxes to offset the loss to the Treasury from those whose rate would drop from 33 percent.

Democrats, however, held out for a 32 percent marginal income tax rate, which was not revenue neutral, and the two sides determined that they had reached a stalemate and decided to drop the whole package, the source said.

Both the House and Senate plan to meet in rare Sunday sessions and the spectre of bitter partisan confrontations loom.

If no budget agreement is reached by Sunday, Democrats may try to force Bush's hand by trying to pass a temporary money bill to continue spending for a week or two at this year's level and, in the process, delay the Gramm-Rudman cuts. Bush has threatened to veto such a proposal.

Or, without a bipartisan agreement, Democrats may try to pass their own budget plan to cut the deficit and force Bush to sign or veto that.

If an agreement is reached, Congress on Sunday could pass a budget plan adopting the tax increases and spending cuts it contains before Monday's deadline. At the least, lawmakers could approve a bill delaying the cuts for a few days until the budget agreement could be implemented legislatively.

Both parties have said the Gramm-Rudman cuts would devastate federal programs and services, such as air traffic control and meat inspection, require unpaid furloughs of thousands of government workers and inconvenience or aggravate millions of Americans.

The five top congressional leaders of both parties and three key White House negotiators have met for all but one day since Sept. 18 trying to hammer out a budget accord. A larger bargaining group, which began meeting May 15, failed to strike a deal and broke up on Sept. 17 after 10 days of secluded talks at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington.

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - A special grand jury in Travis County, Texas, says insurance fraud is a booming business in the Lone Star state. The grand jury released a report Friday following a five-month investigation. The report blames a lack of supervision and control by the state Board of Insurance for the fraud which it says has the potential for a- quote- ''savings and loan type disaster.''

More than 70 world leaders will gather at the United Nations beginning Saturday to plot how to save the lives of thousands of children who die each day. The U-N Children's Fund says many children die because of a lack of medicines that cost only a few cents each. UNICEF is calling for worldwide disarmanent to free up money for children's needs. Such aid could promote

pre-natal care... lower infant and child mortality... and help provide education.

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - SATURDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR

(All times EDT)

Baseball

American League

Toronto at Boston, 1:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 1:15 p.m.
Baltimore at Cleveland, 1:35 p.m.
New York at Milwaukee, 2:35 p.m.
Seattle at Chicago, 8:05 p.m.
Oakland at Texas, 8:35 p.m.
Kansas City at California, 10:05 p.m.

National League

Chicago at New York, 1:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 2:15 p.m.
San Diego at Cincinnati, 2:15 p.m.
Atlanta at Houston, 2:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Francisco, 3:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.

Games

Beijing - Asian Games

Golf

Columbus, Ga. - PGA $600,000 Southern Open
Sugar Land, Texas - LPGA $400,000 Breathless Houston Championship

Tennis

Basel, Switzerland - $500,000 Swiss Indoors
Brisbane, Australia - $280,000 Queensland Open.
Estoril, Portugal - $100,000 Estoril Open
Leipzig, East Germany - $225,000 Volkswagen Open
Palermo, Sicily - $350,000 International Championsips of Sicily
Tokyo - $350,000 Nicherei International Championships

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Basketball

Phoenix - Traded guard Mike Morrison to Washington for 1993 second-round draft pick.

Volleyball

U.S. Volleyball Association - Named Fred Sturm coach of men's national team.

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UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 29) UPI - The World Summit for Children, the largest gathering ever of presidents and prime ministers, is to adopt a plan of action designed to drastically cut the globe's 40,000 daily deaths of children.

The summit, to be witnessed by fewer than 200 children, has strained the capability of the United Nations to handle the more than 70 leaders, including President Bush, Britain's Margaret Thatcher and Czechoslovakia's Vaclav Havel.

Nearly 150 motorcades will take the dignitaries from their hotels to the U.N. building Saturday afternoon for the summit opening. Participants were asked to be present at 7 a.m. Sunday for a daylong debate.

Had it not been for the Persian Gulf crisis, King Hussein of Jordan and King Fahd of Saudi Arabia would have attended. Except for the Kuwaiti emir and Lebanon's Prime Minister Selim El-Hoss, all other Middle East leaders stayed home.

King Baudoin of Belgium will be the only monarch at the summit. All Latin American heads of state and government will be present. African leaders will show up in force, including Uganda's President Yoweri Museveni, Mozambique's Joaquim Chissano and Zimbabwe's Robert Mugabe.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and China's Prime Minister Li Peng first accepted the invitation, but later declined in order to deal with domestic problems, U.N. officials said.

The U.N. Children's Fund said 40,000 children die every day, many of them because of a lack of medicines that cost only a few U.S. cents each. In recent years, many have died of AIDS.

The agency, which has spearheaded aid to remedy famine and help poor mothers for more than 30 years, said millions of children suffer poverty and are victims of conflicts.

It said 100 million children get no formal education, and close to 150 million go to bed every night hungry.

It said 500,000 mothers die annually from causes related to childbirth.

The formal declaration and the plan of action to be adopted at sunset Sunday would have the leaders make a ''an urgent universal appeal - to give every child a better future.''

They will pledge to cut down the number of deaths since scientific progress and mass educational program now give every child the right to reach adulthood UNICEF's tireless executive-director James Grant said.

The declaration said the post-Cold War era now makes it possible to achieve results in many fields. Resources from a worldwide disarmanent should go to children's needs, which UNICEF estimated at $2.5 billion a year in order to cut down the daily deaths and give them education.

The leaders will make a ''solemn commitment'' to carry out a 10-point program, which includes ratification of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, enhance children's health, promote pre-natal care and lower infant and child mortality ''in all countries and among all peoples.''

The Convention on the Rights of the Child has become an international law after 50 governments ratified it by Friday. In all, 105 countries have signed the document, excluding the United States.

Scores of governments have contribued $3 million to defray costs of the summit. In addition, New York City police would spend $6 million in overtime for police work, city officials reportedly said.

Critics, and for that matter, cynics already said the amount spent would not improve a child's lot worldwide.

The gulf crisis has put children in the back seat, they said. Horrendous living conditions for millions of children in south Asia, including slavery and prostitutions, have compounded the problems and make any solution nearly impossible.

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - Sources say Republican budget negotiators in Washington have dropped their demand for a capital gains tax cut. The sources say G-O-P leaders will instead seek other measures they consider pro-growth... along with a minor inflation adjustment offered by the Democrats to allow the Republicans to save face. Negotiators could NOT agree on a new top income tax in exchange for the capital gains cut. Talks recessed Friday night and are set to resume at noon Saturday.

The five permanent members of the U-N Security Council agreed Friday to pursue

separate solutions to the Persian Gulf crisis and the problems of Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories. The communique signed by the five foreign ministers called for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait and also reiterated adherence to previous U-N resolutions regarding withdrawal of Israeli troops from the occupied territories.

Bitter words were exchanged Friday as House and Senate negotiators butted heads over differing versions of clean air legislation. The main sticking point is the perception by some senators that the House may be trying to force the upper chamber to accept House language regarding a new proposal on so-called clean-burning fuels. Rhode Island Republican John Chafee says the situation could force lawmakers to set the legislation aside for this session.

New regulations adopted Friday by California smog regulators mandate the mass-production of smogless cars in the Sunshine State within eight years. The guidelines O-K'd in the sweeping plan require two percent of all new cars sold in California in 1998 emit NO smog. The number of NON- fossil fuel-powered cars would increase to 10 percent of the total by the year 2003.

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - Thousands of troops loyal to pro-Syrian President Elias Hrawi tightened the blockade Friday around the Christian enclave where renegade General Michel Aoun is holed up. The effort is part of Hrawi's attempt to force the recalcitrant Christian militia leader to surrender. But Aoun says he has NO intention of giving up, and threatened to take whatever steps are needed to secure essential materials.

Talks are slated to resume Saturday morning between protesting students at the University of the District of Columbia and school officials. The two sides reached NO agreement Friday in the third day of a student demonstration that has shut down the facility. The students have issued a lengthy list of demands including mass resignations by the school's board of trustees.

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDINGS

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	85	72	.541	-	48-39	37-43	5-5	W-3
Toronto	84	73	.535	1	44-37	40-36	5-5	L-3
Detroit	76	81	.484	9	38-41	38-40	6-4	W-1
Cleveland	74	84	.468	11 1/2	39-39	35-45	6-4	L-3
Baltimore	73	83	.467	12 1/2	38-39	35-44	8-2	W-2
Milwaukee	71	86	.452	14	36-39	35-47	2-8	L-2

New York	65	92	.414	20	36-41	29-51	5-5	W-3
West								
x-Oakland	100	57	.637	-	50-28	50-29	6-4	W-1
Chicago	91	66	.580	9	47-30	44-36	6-4	L-1
Texas	82	75	.522	18	47-33	35-42	5-5	L-1
California	78	79	.497	22	42-37	36-42	4-6	L-1
Seattle	76	81	.484	24	39-43	37-38	5-5	W-2
Kansas City	73	84	.465	27	45-36	28-48	4-6	W-1
Minnesota	71	86	.452	29	39-39	32-47	5-5	L-2

x-clinched division title.

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
Pittsburgh	92	65	.586	-	49-30	43-35	8-2	W-5
New York	89	68	.567	3	52-27	37-41	6-4	W-4
Montreal	81	76	.516	11	43-33	38-43	2-8	L-8
Philadel.	75	82	.478	17	40-38	35-44	7-3	W-2
Chicago	73	84	.465	19	39-42	34-42	2-8	L-4
St. Louis	70	87	.446	22	34-45	36-42	4-6	L-2
West								
Cincinnati	89	68	.567	-	44-32	45-36	6-4	L-1
Los Angeles	84	73	.535	5	45-33	39-40	6-4	L-2
San Fran.	82	75	.522	7	46-29	36-45	7-3	W-5
San Diego	72	85	.459	17	37-44	35-41	2-8	W-1
Houston	72	85	.459	17	47-32	25-53	5-5	W-2
Atlanta	63	94	.401	26	37-43	26-51	4-6	L-3

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - New York is forcing Pittsburgh to go out and win the National League East title and, so far, the Pirates have accepted the challenge.

New York has won four in a row but Pittsburgh has taken five straight, including Friday night's 6-4 victory in St. Louis. That leaves New York three games behind the Pirates - with five to go for each team - and means the Mets can do nothing except keep winning and hope Pittsburgh cracks.

''Tomorrow is the most important game and, if we win, Sunday is the most

important game,'' Mets pitcher Dwight Gooden said.

Jay Bell hit a three-run homer and Wally Backman scored two runs Friday night, helping the Pirates lower their magic number to three. New York kept pace with a 7-1 rout of the Cubs.

Any combination of Pittsburgh victories and New York losses totalling three would give the Pirates the National League East title.

''We knew it was not going to be easy,'' said Pittsburgh Manager Jim Leyland. ''But we won, too. We're not making it any easier for them and they're not making it any easier for us. It's a dogfight.''

Bill Landrum, 6-3, who relieved John Smiley in the third, picked up the win, Pittsburgh's fifth straight. Landrum entered the game with the Pirates trailing 4-3 and allowed one hit in 3 2-3 innings. Cardinals starter Ken Hill, 5-4, took the loss.

''With a three-game lead it lays a little easier (on your mind),'' Bell said. ''We can go out and relax and play good fundamental baseball. We don't have to worry what's going on with the Mets.''

Gooden extended his lifetime domination over Chicago, helping the Mets keep the pressure on.

Gooden, 19-6, gave New York its fourth straight win and sixth in its last seven games. He walked one and struck out 10 in raising his career record over Chicago to 22-3.

Pat Tabler hit a three-run homer and Dave Magadan drove in three runs. Greg Maddux, 14-15, lasted five innings.

In other games, Philadelphia held off Montreal 5-4, San Diego nipped Cincinnati 2-1, Houston shaded Atlanta 2-1 in 10 innings and San Francisco outlasted Los Angeles 7-6.

In the American League, it was: Boston 7, Toronto 6; Baltimore 2, Cleveland 0; Detroit 3, Minnesota 1; Oakland 4, Texas 1; Seattle 13, Chicago 4; New York 7, Milwaukee 2; and Kansas City 2, California 1.

Phillies 5, Expos 4

At Montreal, Wes Chamberlain hit a two-run home run, helping Philadelphia hand the Expos their eighth straight loss. Jason Grimsley, 3-2, pitched five scoreless innings. Roger McDowell pitched 1 2-3 innings and survived two runs to pick up his 21st save. Dennis ''Oil Can'' Boyd, 10-6, took the loss.

Padres 2, Reds 1

At Cincinnati, Benito Santiago delivered an RBI double with two out in the ninth, helping San Diego keep the Reds on the brink of the NL West title. The Dodgers' loss cut Cincinnati's magic number to one for clinching its first title since 1979. The victory snapped the Padres' eight-game losing streak.

Astros 2, Braves 1 (10 innings)

At Houston, Casey Candaele doubled home two runs with one out in the 10th, rallying the Astros. It was the 27th extra-inning game for the Astros, which leads the major leagues. It tied the NL record established by the 1943 Boston Braves and equalled by the 1967 Los Angeles Dodgers.

Giants 7, Dodgers 6

At San Francisco, Will Clark scored on a wild pitch by Jim Gott, 3-5, with none out in the ninth, lifting the Giants. The next Cincinnati victory or Los Angeles loss will give the Reds the NL West penant. Francisco Oliveras pitched a scoreless ninth to raise his record to 2-2.

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - NL BOX SCORES

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Dascenzo cf	4	0	0	0	Miller lf	4	0	0	0
Sandberg 2b	4	1	3	1	Herr 2b	5	0	1	1
Grace 1b	4	0	1	0	Magadan 1b	4	1	4	3
Dawson rf	4	0	0	0	Johnson ss	2	1	0	0
May lf	4	0	2	0	Tabler rf	5	1	1	3
Salazar 3b	3	0	0	0	Jefferies 3b	4	0	0	0
Dunston ss	3	0	0	0	Boston cf	4	0	1	0
Berryhill c	3	0	0	0	O'Brien c	3	2	1	0
Maddux p	1	0	0	0	Gooden p	2	1	1	0
Clark ph	1	0	0	0	O'Malley ph	1	1	1	0
Kramer p	0	0	0	0	Whitehurst p	0	0	0	0
Smith ph	0	0	0	0					
Long p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	31	1	6	1	Totals	34	7	10	7

Chicago	000	000	001-	1
New York	000	041	02x-	7

E-Grace. DP-New York 1. LOB-Chicago 4, New York 10. 2B-Magadan 2, Gooden. HR-Tabler (1), Sandberg (39). SB-Boston (17). S-Gooden.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Mddx (L 14-15)	5	6	4	4	3	3
Kramer	2	1	1	0	1	0
Long	1	3	2	2	1	2
New York						
Godn (W 19-6)	8	5	0	0	1	10
Whitehurst	1	1	1	1	0	1

WP-Gooden. HBP-O'Brien By Kramer.
Umpires-Home, Froemming; 1b, Pulli; 2b, Rippley; 3b, Darling.
T-2:44. A-37,586.

PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	5	1	2	1	Nixon cf	4	1	1	0
Fletcher c	4	1	1	0	Owen ss	1	0	0	0
Kruk rf	3	1	2	1	Deshields 2b	2	0	0	0
Meadows lf	1	0	0	0	Aldrete lf	4	1	1	1
Campusan lf	0	0	0	0	TWallach 3b	5	2	2	2
Jordan 1b	4	0	1	1	LWalker rf	4	0	2	0
CHayes 3b	4	0	0	0	Goff c	3	0	0	0
Thon ss	4	1	2	0	Alou ph	1	0	0	0
Chambrln rf	4	1	2	2	Mercado c	0	0	0	0
RMcDowll p	0	0	0	0	Noboa ph	0	0	0	0
Morandini 2b	4	0	0	0	Paredes pr	0	0	0	0
Grimsley p	2	0	1	0	Fitzgerald c	2	0	0	0
Daulton ph	1	0	0	0	Sampen p	0	0	0	0
Ontiveros p	0	0	0	0	DaMartnz ph	1	0	0	0
Carman p	0	0	0	0	Mohorcic p	0	0	0	0
Murphy rf	1	0	0	0	Roomes ph	0	0	0	0
					Raines ph	1	0	1	0
					Frey p	0	0	0	0
					Grissom ph	1	0	1	1
					Foley ss	5	0	0	0
					Boyd p	1	0	0	0
					Galarrag 1b	2	0	1	0
Totals	37	5	11	5	Totals	37	4	9	4

Philadelphia	021	020	000-	5
Montreal	000	000	022-	4

E-Foley, Chamberlain. DP-Montreal 1. LOB-Philadelphia 5, Montreal 13. 2B- Thon Fletcher. HR-Chamberlain (2), Dykstra (9), Kruk (7), T Wallach (21). SB- Kruk (10), Owen (8), Nixon 2 (49), Chamberlain (4), L Walker (21), Raines (46).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Philadelphia						
Grimsley (W 3-2)	5	1	0	0	5	7
Ontiveros	2	3	2	2	1	1
Carman	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
R McDwll (S 21)	1 2-3	5	2	2	0	1

Montreal						
Boyd (L 10-6)	4 1-3	9	5	5	0	5
Sampen	2 2-3	2	0	0	0	1
Mohorcic	1	0	0	0	0	1
Frey	1	0	0	0	0	1

Ontiveros pitched to three batters in the 8th.
WP-Grimsley. HBP-Noboa By R McDowell.
Umpires-Home, C Williams; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, McSherry; 3b, Davidson.
T-3:00. A- 8,230.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts lf	3	1	2	0	Hatcher cf	3	0	1	0
Cora 2b	4	0	1	0	Duncan 2b	4	0	0	0
Clark 1b	3	1	1	1	Larkin ss	4	0	0	0
Stephensn 1b	0	0	0	0	Lee 1b	3	0	0	0
Carter cf	4	0	0	0	Morris 1b	1	0	0	0
Santiago c	4	0	1	1	Braggs lf	4	0	0	0
DarJcksn rf	3	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	3	1	1	1
Pagliarul 3b	4	0	0	0	O'Neill rf	3	0	1	0
Templetn ss	3	0	0	0	Oliver c	2	0	0	0
Hurst p	3	0	0	0	DanJacksn p	2	0	0	0
					Trevino ph	1	0	1	0
					Bates pr	0	0	0	0
					Myers p	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	2	5	2	Totals	30	1	4	1

Two out when winning run scored

San Diego	000	000	101-	2
Cincinnati	010	000	000-	1

E-DarJackson, DanJackson. LOB-San Diego 5, Cincinnati 4. 2B-O'Neill, Santiago.
HR-Sabo (25), Clark (25). S-Hatcher.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Hurst (W 11-9)	9	4	1	1	1	4
Cincinnati						
DanJackson	8	3	1	1	1	9
Myers (L 3-6)	1	2	1	1	2	2

BALK-Myers.
Umpires-Home, Harvey; 1b, Demuth; 2b, Gregg; 3b, Crawford.
T-2:19. A-35,399.

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	ST LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Backman 3b	3	2	2	1	Gilkey lf	4	0	0	0
King 3b	2	0	0	0	OSmith ss	4	1	3	0
JBell ss	1	1	1	3	Jose cf	2	1	1	1
VanSlyke cf	5	0	0	0	Lankford cf	2	0	0	0
Bonilla rf	3	0	0	0	Guerrero 1b	4	1	1	2
Bonds lf	3	1	2	1	Zeile 3b	2	0	1	0
Bream 1b	4	0	0	0	Collins rf	0	0	0	0
Lavalliere c	3	0	0	1	CWilson rf	3	0	0	0
SBelinda p	0	0	0	0	Pendleton 3b	1	0	0	0
Lind 2b	4	0	0	0	Pagnozzi c	3	1	1	1
Smiley p	0	1	0	0	MThmpsn ph	1	0	1	0
Landrum p	2	1	1	0	Oquendo 2b	3	0	0	0
Patterson p	0	0	0	0	Hill p	2	0	0	0
Bilardello c	1	0	0	0	Dayley p	0	0	0	0
					GPena ph	0	0	0	0
					Dipino p	0	0	0	0
					Walling ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	31	6	6	6	Totals	32	4	8	4

Pittsburgh	003	120	000-	6
St Louis	013	000	000-	4

E-Zeile. DP-Pittsburgh 3. LOB- Pittsburgh 6, St Louis 5. 2B-O Smith 2, Landrum. HR-Pagnozzi (2), J Bell (7), Guerrero (13). SB-Bonds (52), King (3), O Smith (33). S-J Bell (2). SF-Lavalliere.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Smiley	2 1-3	5	4	4	2	1
Lndrm (W 6-3)	3 2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Patterson	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	0
S Belind (S 8)	1 2-3	1	0	0	1	2
St Louis						
Hill (L 5-5)	4 2-3	5	6	6	3	1
Dayley	2 1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Dipino	2	0	0	0	2	1

HBP-G Pena By Patterson.
Umpires-Home, Marsh; 1b, Montague; 2b, Hallion; 3b, West.
T-2:55. A-24,837.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
McDowell lf	5	0	0	0	Yelding ss	4	1	0	0
Bell 1b	5	1	1	0	Young cf	2	0	1	0
Gant cf	5	0	2	0	Simms ph	0	0	0	0
Justice rf	3	0	1	0	Candaele ph	1	0	1	2
Treadway 2b	3	0	1	0	Biggio c	3	0	0	0
Lemke 3b	3	0	1	0	Davis 1b	4	0	0	0
Kremers c	4	0	0	0	Stubbs lf	4	0	1	0
Rosario ss	4	0	1	0	Gonzalez 3b	3	0	1	0
Mercker p	0	0	0	0	Caminiti 3b	1	0	0	0
Parrett p	0	0	0	0	Anthony rf	4	0	1	0
Marak p	3	0	0	0	Osuna p	0	0	0	0
Blauser ss	1	0	0	0	Rohde 2b	2	0	0	0
					Ramirez ph	1	0	0	0
					Darwin p	2	0	0	0
					Rhodes ph	1	0	0	0
					Meyer p	0	0	0	0
					Davidson rf	1	1	1	0
Totals	36	1	7	0	Totals	33	2	6	2

One out when winning run scored

Atlanta	000	000	000	1-	1
Houston	000	000	000	2-	2

E-Bell, Yelding 2. DP-Atlanta 1. LOB- Atlanta 8, Houston 8. 2B-Treadway. 3B-Candaele. SB-Treadway (3). S-Biggio.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Marak	8	4	0	0	2	5
Merckr (L 4-7)	1 1-3	1	2	2	1	0
Parrett	0	1	0	0	0	0
Houston						
Darwin	7	4	0	0	3	7
Meyer	2 2-3	3	1	0	0	1
Osuna (W 2-0)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Parrett pitched to one batter in the 10th.
WP-Marak. HBP-By Marak (Rohde).
Umpires-Home, Davis; 1b, Layne; 2b, Runge; 3b, Hohn.
T-3:02. A-11,095.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Harris 3b	5	1	1	0	Butler cf	5	1	1	2

Gibson cf	4	1	0	0	Thompson 2b	4	1	1	2
Daniels lf	2	1	1	3	Clark 1b	5	1	2	0
Javier lf	3	0	0	0	Williams 3b	4	2	2	0
Murray 1b	4	2	3	1	Bass rf	3	0	2	0
Brooks rf	4	1	2	1	Decker c	4	0	0	1
Scioscia c	2	0	1	0	Litton lf	1	1	1	0
Dempsey c	1	0	0	0	Kingery lf	3	0	1	1
Samuel 2b	4	0	1	0	Benjamin ss	2	0	0	0
Griffin ss	1	0	0	0	Laga ph	0	0	0	0
Gwynn ph	1	0	0	0	Bathe ph	1	0	0	0
Offerman ss	1	0	0	0	Uribe ss	1	0	1	0
Hatcher ph	1	0	0	0	Burkett p	0	1	0	0
Gott p	0	0	0	0	Dewey p	0	0	0	0
Cook p	2	0	0	0	Carter ph	0	0	0	0
Wetteland p	0	0	0	0	Riles ph	1	0	0	0
Walsh p	0	0	0	0	TWilson p	0	0	0	0
Holmes p	0	0	0	0	Parker ph	0	0	0	0
Lopez ph	1	0	0	0	Oliveras p	0	0	0	0
Crews p	0	0	0	0					
Sharpersn ss	0	0	0	0					
Totals	36	6	9	5	Totals	34	7	11	6

None Out When Winning Run Scored.

Los Angeles	005	010	000-	6
San Francisco	131	010	001-	7

LOB-Los Angeles 7, San Francisco 10. 2B- Scioscia, Harris, Brooks, Samuel, Clark, Bass. 3B-Butler. HR-Ro Thompson (14), Daniels (27), Murray (26). SB-Williams (7). S-Burkett, Parker. SF-Thompson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Cook	2	5	5	4	1	1
Wetteland	2 1-3	3	1	1	1	1
Walsh	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Holmes	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Crews	2	1	0	0	0	1
Gott (L 3-5)	1	2	1	1	2	0
San Francisco						
Burkett	2 1-3	6	5	4	2	2
Wilson	3	1	0	0	2	5
Oliveras (W 2-2)	1	0	0	0	0	1

Cook Pitched To Two Batters In The Third. Walsh Pitched To One Batter In The Fifth. Gott Pitched To Four Batters In The Ninth.
WP-Wetteland 2.

Umpires-Home, Bonin; 1b, Rennert; 2b, Tata; 3b, Quick.
T-3:25. A-24,542.

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

American Conference
East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	2	1	0	.667	63	47
Miami	2	1	0	.667	60	51
NY Jets	1	2	0	.333	51	76
New England	1	2	0	.333	47	82
Indianapolis	0	3	0	.000	34	66
Central						
Cincinnati	3	0	0	1.000	87	43
Cleveland	1	2	0	.333	48	51
Pittsburgh	1	2	0	.333	26	42
Houston	1	2	0	.333	60	77
West						
LA Raiders	3	0	0	1.000	51	25
Kansas City	2	1	0	.667	64	48
Denver	2	1	0	.667	67	68
San Diego	1	2	0	.333	54	52
Seattle	0	3	0	.000	44	68

National Conference
East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
NY Giants	3	0	0	1.000	75	30
Washington	2	1	0	.667	63	41
Dallas	1	2	0	.333	39	61
Phoenix	1	2	0	.333	30	80
Philadelphia	1	2	0	.333	68	71
Central						
Chicago	3	0	0	1.000	67	29
Tampa Bay	2	1	0	.667	75	76
Detroit	1	2	0	.333	62	75
Green Bay	1	2	0	.333	52	72
Minnesota	1	2	0	.333	69	46
West						
San Francisco	3	0	0	1.000	58	38

Atlanta	1	2	0	.333	74	67
LA Rams	1	2	0	.333	80	77
New Orleans	1	2	0	.333	43	52

Sunday Games
Dallas at NY Giants, 1 p.m.
Denver at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Miami at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
NY Jets at New England, 1 p.n.
Green Bay at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Tampa at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Kansas City, 4 p.m.
Houston at San Diego, 4 p.m.
Chicago at LA Raiders, 4 p.m.
Washington at Phoenix, 8 p.m.

Monday Game
Cincinnati at Seattle, 9 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 7
Detroit at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Kansas City at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
NY Jets at Miami, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Houston, 1 p.m.
Seattle at New England, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Dallas, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at at Chicago, 4 p.m.
Cincinnati at LA Rams, 4 p.m.
LA Raiders at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 8
Cleveland at Denver, 9 p.m.

-30- 2424
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(SEPT. 28) UPI - Powerful thunderstorms caused flooding in the Texas panhandle early Saturday as rain covered southeastern Florida and dense fog shrouded north-central Pennsylvania.

The National Weather Service warned that 60 mph wind gusts were possible Saturday on the western slopes of the Wasatch Mountains in Utah, where 49 mph gusts were recorded Friday at Centerville and winds ripped a removed a camper shell from a pickup truck in Provo Canyon. Salt Lake City's airport recorded 25 mph winds.

The NWS posted a flash flood watch until 7 a.m. Saturday in the western two-thirds of the Texas panhandle, including Amarillo, and said downpours covered all but the southeast portion of the region.

Flooding was reported in the Oldham County city of Vega, sheriff's officers said. Numerous storms were sweeping northeast through the panhandle area at 15 mph, the NWS said.

Showers and thunderstorms, many with very heavy downpours, were scattered throughout an area of rain that enveloped much of southeastern Florida, the NWS said.

One of the strongest of the early morning thunderstorms was spotted between Florida City and Elliot Key.

Fog socked in areas of north-central Pennsylvania for the third consecutive night, cutting visibility to zero at the Williamsport airport and in the towns of Jersey Shore, Linden and Hughesville. Near- zero visibility was reported along Route 220 and Interstate 180 in Lycoming County. Observers said Saturday's fog was even worse than Thursday's and Friday's.

-30- 1705

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - PENNANT RACES AT A GLANCE

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	92	65	.586	-
New York	89	68	.567	3

Games Remaining

Pittsburgh (5) - Home (3): New York (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (2): St. Louis (2) Sept. 29, 30.

New York (5) - Home (2): Chicago (2) Sept. 29, 30. Away (3): Pittsburgh (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3.

West

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	89	68	.567	-
Los Angeles	84	73	.535	5

Games Remaining

Cincinnati (5) - Home (5): San Diego (2) Sept. 29, 30; Houston (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3.

Los Angeles (5) - Home (3): San Diego (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3. Away (2): San

Francisco (2) Sept. 29, 30.

AMERICAN LEAGUE
East

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	85	72	.541	-
Toronto	84	73	.535	1

Games Remaining
Boston (5) - Home (5): Toronto (2) Sept. 29, 30; Chicago (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3.
Toronto (6) - Away (5): Boston (2) Sept. 29, 30; Baltimore (3) Oct. 1, 2, 3.

-30- 1153
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(SEPT. 29) UPI - The Toronto Blue Jays showed a lot of courage in the ninth inning Friday night but they didn't count on Boston's heart of stone.

Jeff Stone, in his first big-league at-bat of the season, capped a two-run ninth inning with a bases-loaded single Friday night, rallying the Boston Red Sox into sole possession of first place with a 7-6 victory over Toronto.

Stone's liner into the gap off reliever Tom Henke gave Boston the opener of a three-game weekend series between the two contenders in the American League East, and gave the Red Sox a one-game lead in the standings.

Both teams have five games left, including two against each other this weekend. If the teams finish the regular season in a tie, they would play a one-game playoff Thursday in Toronto.

''It didn't work out quite the way Hollywood thought it was going to, '' said Boston Manager Joe Morgan. ''But for the locals it did.''

The crowd of 35,735, the largest paid attendance at Fenway Park since 1978, ''was going crazy,'' recalled Stone. ''I felt like 'The Natural.'''

Stone's last major-league hit was off Henke last season. But the Blue Jays hurler didn't recall it, or the fact that Stone is a fastball hitter.

''I never faced him,'' said Henke, 2-3. ''But it wouldn't have mattered, I was going to go after him anyway.''

After Junior Felix had put Toronto ahead 6-5 with a two-run homer in the top of the inning, Jody Reed drew a walk from Henke, and Carlos Quintana sacrificed. Wade Boggs walked and Ellis Burks singled to left, loading the bases. Mike Greenwell tied the score with a single to right and Stone hit the second pitch to right-center.

''It's good pennant baseball,'' said Henke. ''It was a pretty emotional rollercoaster - up and down, back and forth, and they got the last ride.''

Boston has won nine of 11 from Toronto this year, including all five at Fenway Park. Jeff Reardon, who underwent back surgery Aug. 4, improved his record to 4-3.

In other American League action, Baltimore blanked Cleveland 2-0, Detroit downed Minnesota 3-1, Seattle pummeled Chicago 13-4, New York pounded Milwaukee 7-2, Oakland tripped Texas 4-1, and Kansas City edged California 2-1.

In the National League it was: New York 7, Chicago 1; Philadelphia 5, Montreal 4; San Diego 2, Cincinnati 1; Pittsburgh 6, St. Louis 4; Houston 2, Atlanta 1; and San Francisco 7, Los Angeles 6.

Orioles 2, Indians 0

At Cleveland, Bill Ripken drove in a run with a 25-foot single and rookie Ben McDonald pitched his second shutout to hand the Indians their third straight loss. McDonald, 8-5, struck out four and walked one to give the Orioles their second straight win. He retired the final 10 batters.

Tigers 3, Twins 1

At Detroit, Chet Lemon and Travis Fryman hit back-to-back home runs in the sixth to pace the Tigers. Lemon's homer - his fifth of the year and first since May 7 - came off loser Allan Anderson, 7-18, and broke a 1-1 tie. Fryman then hit his eighth homer of the season. Jack Morris, 14-18, won his third straight game. Mike Henneman earned his 22nd save.

Mariners 13, White Sox 4

At Chicago, Alvin Davis hit his third grand slam of the season and added a double and a bases-loaded walk to a 14-hit attack, leading Seattle. Randy Johnson, 14-10, struck out 11 in his fifth complete game of the season.

Yankees 7, Brewers 2

At Milwaukee, Steve Adkins flirted with a no-hitter for six innings then settled for his first major-league victory, guiding New York. Adkins, 1-1, allowed four hits and two runs over eight innings. The Brewers' Greg Vaughn led off the seventh with a double on a 3-1 pitch to end Adkins' bid to throw the 10th big-league no-hitter this year. Loser Ted Higuera, 10-10, allowed six runs on nine hits in 3 2-3 innings.

A's 4, Rangers 1

At Arlington, Texas, Mike Moore, outdueled Charlie Hough and helped bring

Oakland a victory. Hough, 12-12, pitched what was probably his last game as a member of the Rangers, receiving a standing ovation when he left the game in the ninth. Texas is not expected to offer a 1991 contract to Hough, the Rangers' all-time leader in wins. Moore raised his record to 13-14.

Royals 2, Angels 1

At Anaheim, Calif., Steve Farr scattered six hits over 5 1-3 innings for his fifth straight win as a starter and Gary Thurman singled in the deciding run carrying Kansas City. Farr, 13-7, beat the Angels and Chuck Finley, 18-9, for the second time in five days. Finley lost his third in a row and his chance to be the first 20-game winner for the Angels since Nolan Ryan in 1974.

-30- 4841

#90272u0293 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (SEPT. 29) UPI - The anti-apartheid African National Congress Saturday opened its first two legal regional congresses in South Africa in 31 years and a keynote speaker accused the Pretoria government of fomenting a wave of factional black violence.

ANC Treasurer-General Thomas Nkobi told the Cape Town regional congress, attended near the city by some 500 delegates of 81 branches, that the government had a dual agenda: ''to negotiate with the ANC for the purposes of responding to international pressure'' and to promote violence ''in order to weaken the ANC.''

''It is this double agenda which is designed to break us down,'' charged Nkobi a member of the ANC's 37-member National Executive Committee. ''They are using every vile tactic possible to weaken our movement.

''The vicious violence ... is aimed at destroying our spirit of resistance and defiance,'' he told representatives of some 40,000 ANC members in the Cape Town area, apparently referring to allegations of police involvement in stirring the strife.

Nkobi's tough stance contrasted with more cautious statements of recent weeks from ANC leader Nelson Mandela, who has never accused the government of outright and deliberate duplicity.

ANC Internal Leader Walter Sisulu was due to address the other congress, incorporating the Johannesburg area, the heartland of the Congress's power.

He was also to address the issue of the now-dormant internecine conflict among blacks.

President Frederik de Klerk imposed a tough set of military-style measures codenamed ''Iron Fist'' this month to quell the fighting, which in more than

six weeks killed up to 800 people.

De Klerk has repeatedly denied the government wants to gain any advantage from the strife.

''They want us to bow down to their bayonets and jackboots,'' Nkobi said of ''Iron Fist'' and a related nightly curfew.

But police say the actions have largely restored peace and emptied hundreds of hospital beds in the nation's largest black township of Soweto.

De Klerk suggested the battles in the townships around Johannesburg were initially tribal-based, pitting the mixed-tribal support of the ANC against followers of the exclusively Zulu Inkatha movement.

But, with wary and limited assent from de Klerk, the ANC has insisted a shadowy ''third force'' has been involved, possibly consisting of rogue police officers or members of the burgeoning number of right-wing terror groups fighting de Klerk's eight-month-old racial reform program.

Nkobi said Pretoria's moves away from 42 years of white minority rule - including preliminary talks with the ANC - were a result of international pressure, and said the government's ''double agenda'' could not be allowed to succeed.

''We must frustrate them in their attempts. We must build up the ANC into a powerful voice for the people,'' Nkobi said.

The two ANC gatherings were the first formal congresses of the movement inside South Africa since the National Congress in 1959, the year before the ANC was banned by a government outraged by its demands for power sharing in a non-racial state.

But de Klerk legalized the movement Feb. 2 this year, at the start of his package of racial reforms, then released Mandela from 27 years in prison Feb. 11 and has since allowed the return from exile of scores of senior ANC officials.

Two rounds of preliminary talks between the ANC and Pretoria opened the way to full-blown negotiations on a post-apartheid state, but both sides have said the factional strife has threatened the talks process.

-30- 3829

#90272u0300 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 29) UPI - A U.S. airman was listed in good condition Saturday with a gunshot wound to his shoulder, inflicted in unspecified circumstances while on duty in eastern Saudi Arabia, a statement

said.

An official statement said the unidentified soldier was wounded at dusk on Thursday while serving as a general purpose mechanic with the 883rd Transportation Squadron.

It said he was taken to a hospital run by the 354th Tactical Fighter Wing, where he ''remains in good condition.''

An inquiry had been ordered into the circumstance that led to the serviceman being shot in the shoulder.

The only other bullet wound inflicted during Operation Desert Shield was on a soldier of the 82nd Airborne Division last week, but a statement indicated that the foot injury was self-inflicted.

-30- 1015

#90272u0301 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (SEPT. 29) UPI - The United States delivered four helicopter gunships to the Philippine Air Force Saturday for use its battle against communist guerrillas fighting the government for the past 21 years.

Philippine Air Force Vice Chief of Staff Brig. Gen. Loven Abadia said the choppers arrived at the U.S. Clark Air Base, 50 miles north of Manila, and will be transferred to the 15th Strike Wing in Cavite province across Manila Bay next week.

Abadia said the four choppers were the first batch of 28 McDonnel Douglas 520 MG Defender helicopters to be delivered under the foreign military sales credit in exchange for the use of six U.S. bases in the Philippines.

He said the helicopters were new and cost $1.36 million each.

It was the first time this type of helicopter was delivered to the Philippines. Previous deliveries consisted of refurbished Huey and Sikorsky helicopters extensively used during the Vietnam War.

Abadia said the Defender is a ''fast-reacting gunship'' that can be deployed to combat areas within a 30 mile radius in minutes. It also is capable of operating at night and can be armed with machineguns, rocket launchers and missiles, he said.

The United States provides the Manila government $481 million each year for the use of Clark, Subic Bay Naval Complex and four smaller installations. The lease on the facilities expires on Sept. 16, 1991.

Philippine and U.S. negotiators last week adjourned the second round of talks

on the future of the bases. The discussions resume next month in Manila.

Communist guerrillas have expressed opposition to U.S. military aid to the 159,000-member Philippine armed forces and is urging for the immediate dismantling of the bases in 1991.

-30- 1944

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International: .

Two sources close to the budget negotiations say Republicans have dropped their demand for a lower capital gains tax. Negotiators are optimistic. They recessed late last night, and will resume later today. By Monday they need an agreement or automatic budget cuts begin under the Gramm-Rudman law.

The House moved swiftly yesterday toward increasing the supply of oil to keep prices down. It granted Energy Secretary James Watkins' request to draw-down the U-S oil reserve by 15-Million barrels. The Senate is considering a similar bill. President Bush on Wednesday allowed sales of five-Million barrels.

The United Nations is hosting the largest gathering of presidents and prime ministers in history this weekend. It will take 150 motorcades to take them from hotels to the U-N grounds. The world leaders are holding a World Summit of Children, intended to reduce the 40-thousand deaths of children that take place each day.

Environmental groups have asked a federal court to halt next week's launch of the space shuttle Discovery. It is scheduled to put a nuclear- powered solar spacecraft, Ulysses, into orbit around the sun. The activists argue that an accident during Discovery's launch could release 24 pounds of plutonium fuel.

An Air Force spokesman says General Michael Dugan, the fired chief of staff, is working as a special assistant to Air Force Secretary Donald Rice. Defense Secretary Cheney fired Dugan for talking about bombing plans against Iraq. The special assistant's job apparently will be temporary until Dugan is retired from the service.

-30- 1838

#90272u0316 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - The Illinois Supreme court ruled that a pair of three-year-old twins can NOT be forced to undergo tests to determine if their bone marrow can be donated to their half-brother. The older boy, who turns 13 tomorrow, is dying of leukemia. The twins' mother says she does NOT want to risk danger to the children.

Jews began observing Yom Kippur at sundown yesterday. Yom Kippur is the day of atonement when Jews seek forgiveness for their sins. In Israel, broadcast stations went off the air and Ben- Gurion Airport closed. But the armed forces are on heightened alert because in 1973 Israel was attacked on Yom Kippur.

A six-day cease-fire was shattered yesterday in Liberia's capital, Monrovia. Government troops and forces of rebel leader Prince Johnson fought for several hours. The government troops were in the presidential mansion where soldiers loyal to the late President Samuel Doe are trapped between two different rebel forces.

Leftist rebels ambushed a police patrol in southern Peru yesterday and killed six officers. A police spokesman says about 50 rebels attacked. Military sources say the rebels are trying to take over production of coca leaf which is used to make cocaine.

The California Air Resources Board yesterday approved a plan that will require mass production of electric cars by 1998. It mandates that by then two percent of all new cars sold in California will produce NO smog. Only electric cars can do that. By 2003, the NO-smog requirement applies to 10 percent of all new cars.

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

Batting

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Brett, KC	540	82	178	.330
RHenderson, Oak	478	116	156	.326
Palmeiro, Tex	577	72	187	.324
Boggs, Bos	600	87	183	.305
Trammell, Det	555	70	169	.305
EMartinez, Sea	487	71	147	.302
McGriff, Tor	534	89	160	.300
Burks, Bos	569	87	170	.299
Griffey Jr., Sea	593	90	177	.298
Puckett, Min	534	82	159	.298

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Magadan, NY	433	73	143	.330
Murray, LA	538	95	176	.327
Dykstra, Phi	579	104	188	.325
Dawson, Chi	515	69	162	.315

Grace, Chi	573	71	179	.312
Roberts, SD	549	103	170	.310
Gwynn, SD	573	79	177	.309
Sandberg, Chi	605	115	186	.307
Bonds, Pit	510	104	156	.306

Home Runs
American League - Fielder, Det 49; McGwire, Oak 39; Canseco, Oak 37; McGriff, Tor 34; Gruber, Tor 30.
National League - Sandberg, Chi 39; Strawberry, NY 37; Mitchell, SF 35; Bonds, Pit and M.Williams, SF 33; Bonilla, Pit 32.

Runs Batted In
American League - Fielder, Det 127; Gruber, Tor 113; McGwire, Oak 108; Canseco, Oak 96; Sierra, Tex 95; Parker, Mil 92.
National League - Williams, SF 119; Bonilla, Pit 117; Carter, SD and Bonds, Pit 114; Strawberry, NY 108.

Doubles
American League - Brett, KC 45; Jo.Reed and Boggs, Bos and Calderon, Chi 43; Harper, Min 42.
National League - Jefferies, NY 39; Sabo, Cin, Bonilla, Pit 38; Johnson, NY, 37; Roberts, SD and Wallach, Mtl 36.

Triples
American League - Fernandez, Tor 17; Sosa, Chi, Liriano, Min 10; Burks, Bos and Johnson, Chi 8.
National League - Duncan, Cin 11; Gwynn, SD 10; Coleman, StL and Butler, SF 9; L.Smith, Atl and Dunston, Chi 8.

Stolen Bases
American League - R.Henderson, Oak 63; Kelly, NY 41; Sax, NY 39; Pettis, Tex 38; Cole, Cle 37.
National League - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 61; Bonds, Pit 52; Nixon, Mtl 49; Raines, Mtl 46; Roberts, SD, and Butler, SF 45.

Runs Scored
American League - R.Henderson, Oak 116; Fielder, Det 101; Yount, Mil and Reynolds, Sea 98; Franco, Tex 95; Phillips, Det 94.
National League - Sandberg, Chi 115; Bonilla, Pit 110; Dykstra, Phi, Bonds, Pit 104; Gant, Atl, Roberts, SD, 103.

Hits
American League - Palmeiro, Tex 187; Boggs, Bos 183; Kelly, NY and Brett, KC, 179; Griffey Jr., Sea 177; Parker, Mil 176.
National League - Dykstra, Phi 188; Sandberg, Chi 186; Larkin, Cin and Butler, SF 183; Wallach, Mtl 181; Grace, Chi 179.

Victories
American League - Welch, Oak 26; Stewart, Oak 22; Clemens, Bos 20; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 18.
National League - Drabek, Pit 21; Martinez, LA, Viola and Gooden, NY 19; Browning, Cin 15; Maddux, Chi, Burkett, SF and Rijo, Cin 14.

Earned Run Average
(Minimum 160 innings pitched)
American League - Clemens, Bos 1.98; Finley, Cal 2.40; Stewart, Oak 2.58; Appier, KC 2.84; Stieb, Tor 2.95.
National League - Darwin, Hou 2.21; Smith, Pit 2.61; Whitson, SD 2.63; Viola, NY 2.71; Rijo, Cin 2.72.

Strikeouts
American League - Ryan, Tex 221; Witt, Tex 215; Hanson, Sea and Clemens, Bos 204; Johnson, Sea 194.
National League - Cone, NY 221; Martinez, LA 220; Gooden, NY 218; Fernandez, NY 178; Viola, NY 172.

Saves
American League - Thigpen, Chi 55; Eckersley, Oak 45; Jones, Cle 41; Righetti NY and Olson, Bal 35.
National League - Franco, NY 33; Myers, Cin 30; L.Smith, StL 27; Smith, Hou and Lefferts, SD 23.

Complete Games
American League - Morris, Det and Stewart, Oak 10; Finley, Cal, Witt, Tex, Young, Sea and Clemens, Bos 7.
National League - Martinez, LA 11; Hurst, SD 9; Maddux, Chi, and Drabek, Pit 8; De.Martinez, Mtl, Rijo, Cin and Viola, NY 7.

Shutouts
American League - Stewart, Oak and Clemens, Bos 4; Appier, KC, Perez, Chi and Morris, Det 3.
National League - Morgan, LA and Hurst, SD 4; Gardner and Boyd, Mtl, Martinez LA, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3.

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(SEPT. 28) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE USA - SATURDAY

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	sh	79	51	.06
Anchorage	cy	50	44	....
Asheville	pc	75	55	....
Atlanta	mc	83	64	....
Baltimore	pc	80	58	....

Billings pc	62	36	....
Birmingham mc	92	64	....
Bismarck pc	55	36	.06
Boston sy	76	61	....
Brownsville pc	90	68	....
Buffalo cy	77	59	....
Burlington Vt. cy	75	55	....
Charleston S.C. mc	79	71	....
Charlotte pc	83	58	....
Chicago cy	69	51	....
Cincinnati cy	82	65	.03
Cleveland cy	77	61	.01
Columbus Ohio cy	81	58	....
Dallas pc	92	66	....
Denver cy	60	50	.02
Des Moines cc	76	52	....
Detroit mc	80	55	.03
Duluth cy	59	38	....
El Paso mc	87	64	....
Evansville ts	86	63	....
Fargo pc	62	37	.02
Hartford sy	80	60	....
Honolulu sy	89	77	....
Houston pc	92	62	....
Indianapolis mc	83	62	.05
Jackson Miss. pc	92	60	....
Jacksonville ts	82	72	.35
Kansas City sh	81	53	....
Las Vegas pc	85	62	....
Little Rock pc	89	68	....
Los Angeles pc	78	65	....
Louisville cy	85	66	....
Memphis pc	90	62	....
Miami Beach ts	83	74	.22
Milwaukee cy	64	56	.06
Minneapolis cy	65	41	....
Nashville pc	88	63	....
New Orleans sy	86	66	....
New York f	78	61	....
Oklahoma City mc	81	61	....
Omaha mc	73	53	....
Orlando ts	83	71	.94
Philadelphia sy	79	60	....
Phoenix pc	94	70	....
Pittsburgh cy	80	57	....
Portland Me. pc	68	50	....
Portland Ore. sy	83	57	....
Providence sy	76	60	....

Richmond pc	79	56	....
St. Louis pc	84	64	....
Salt Lake City pc	76	48	....
San Antonio pc	89	64	....
San Diego pc	73	64	....
San Francisco sy	74	58	....
San Juan pc	91	78	.14
Seattle pc	75	51	....
Spokane f	79	50	....
Tampa ts	83	72	.27
Washington pc	78	62	....
Wichita r	74	59	.02

c-clear	cl-clearing	cy-cloudy	f-fair
fy-foggy	hz-haze	m-missing	pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy	r-rain	sh-showers	sm-smoke
sn-snow	sy-sunny	ts-thunderstorms	w-windy

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE WORLD - SATURDAY

Temperature and weather from
around the world at 1200 GMT Sep. 29:

City	Local Time	Temp F	C
Aberdeen r	1pm	50	10
Amsterdam cy	1pm	61	16
Ankara cy	3pm	59	15
Athens c	2pm	72	22
Auckland c	12m	53	12
Beijing cy	8pm	69	21
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	66	19
Bonn pc	1pm	64	18
Brussels cy	1pm	63	17
Cairo c	2pm	94	35
Casablanca cy	12n	82	28
Copenhagn cy	1pm	59	15
Dakar c	12n	86	30
Dublin cy	1pm	59	15
Geneva pc	1pm	71	22
Helsinki cy	2pm	52	11
Hong Kong c	8pm	82	28
Jerusalem c	2pm	83	28
Karachi pc	5pm	90	32
Lisbon pc	1pm	75	24

London r	1pm	59	15
Madrid cy	1pm	73	23
Malta c	1pm	77	25
Manila ts	8pm	82	28
Moscow r	3pm	46	08
Nairobi pc	3pm	79	26
Nassau cy	7am	76	24
New Delhi pc	6pm	86	30
Nice pc	1pm	72	22
Oslo pc	1pm	58	15
Paris cy	1pm	63	17
Pretoria c	2pm	87	30
Riyadh	3pm	102	39
Rome c	1pm	73	23
Seoul c	9pm	70	21
Sofia c	2pm	59	15
Stockholm cy	1pm	54	12
Sydney r	10pm	57	14
Taipei	8pm	-	-
Tokyo cy	9pm	73	23
Tunis c	1pm	79	26
Vienna c	1pm	63	17
Warsaw pc	1pm	60	16

Latin America

Buenos Aires pc	9am	56	14
Caracas	8am	-	-
Havana cy	7am	74	23
Lima cy	7am	60	15
Mexico City pc	6am	55	13
Rio de Janeiro pc	9am	73	23
Santiago pc	8am	49	09

Canada

Calgary cy		60	15
Edmonton cy		62	16
Montreal ts		73	22
Ottawa r		73	22
Regina c		52	11
Toronto cy		75	24
Vancouver cy		68	20
Winnipeg c		55	12

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w-windy			

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CAIRO, EGYPT (SEPT. 29) UPI - The restoration of diplomatic ties between Britain and Iran could pave the way for the resumption of British-Syrian relations and set the stage for the release of British hostages held in Lebanon, Arab and foreign diplomats said Saturday.

They also said the normalization of relations between Britain and Iran makes the Tehran government less likely to stand with Iraq in its confrontation with the West over the Gulf crisis.

Last Thursday, Britain and Iran resumed diplomatic relations, which were severed more than a year ago when the late Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini issued a death order against Indian-born British author Salman Rushdie for his novel ''Satanic Verses,'' considered by Moslems as blasphemous to Islam.

Since then, Rushdie has been in hiding under the protection of the British government.

''I believe the restoration of diplomatic ties between Britain and Iran will eventually lead to restoration of ties between London and Syria,'' a Cairo-based Arab diplomat said. ''This could happen in a short time, particularly since relations between the two countries have been warming for the past few months.''

Syria earlier this month gave British airliners permission to cross Syrian airspace en route to Jordan carrying supplies to refugees from Iraq and Kuwait in the kingdom.

The move was seen as a thaw of relations between Damascus and London, which reached its lowest ebb when the government of British Prime Minister Margeret Thatcher accused the government of President Hafez Assad of involvement in an attempt to blow up an Israeli jetliner at Heathrow airport five years ago.

Syria and Britain have found themselves in the same trench in dealing with Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait. Both countries have sent troops to the gulf region to counter any possible Iraqi aggression.

''It seems clear that both countries are in full agreement on the necessity of checking and repulsing the Iraqi president in the Gulf,'' said an Arab diplomat, who asked not to be identified. ''The Gulf crisis has apparently narrowed the gap between the two countries.

The diplomats believe that restoration of diplomatic relations between Britain and Iran will make the Iranian leadership less likely to forge a strong alliance with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, even though ties between Baghdad and Tehran have become more and more normal after a decade of hostility marked by the 1980-88 Persian Gulf war.

''In my belief, the Iranians will avoid any measures that could be seen as a violation of the U.N trade and air traffic embargo against Iraq, just because they want to show the world community that they are adhering to international law despite the fact they are disappointed over the lack of such measures by the world organization when Iraq launched an aggression against Iran,'' one of the diplomats said.

During the eight-year Iran-Iraq war, Iran had tried unsuccessfully to pursuade the U.N Security Council to adopt resolutions condemning Iraq as an aggressor.

The diplomats also said that now that diplomatic relations between London and Tehran have been restored, Iran is likely to use its influence to win the release of British hostages held by pro-Iranian groups in Lebanon. It may also lead to the release of British businessman Roger Cooper, seized in Tehran in 1985 for alleged espionage.

''Iran may use its role in releasing the hostages held in Lebanon as a cosmetic operation for its image abroad,'' one diplomat said.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 29) UPI - While the United States gauged the impact of the international embargo against Iraq, President Bush was heading for a weekend of personal diplomacy at the United Nations.

Bush, who will address the World Summit for Children at the United Nations on Sunday, will meet with 20 foreign leaders in his continuing diplomatic effort to isolate Iraq following its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Among those scheduled to meet with Bush were British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

Bush also had a series of bilateral meetings scheduled Saturday with the leaders of Colombia, Lebanon, Nicaragua, Poland and Japan.

The highlight of the president's three-day trip to New York will be his address to the U.N. General Assembly on Monday, in which he is expected to salute the international solidarity for a sea and air embargo of Iraq designed to pressure Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw his forces from Kuwait.

In meetings last week with Turkish President Turgut Ozal and Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al Sabah, the emir of Kuwait, Bush heard an assessment of Iraqi forces.

After a two-hour meeting Friday with the emir, Bush said: ''His highness and I reaffirmed our support for the U.N. Security Council resolutions as the means

to bring about a peaceful end to the crisis. But ultimately, that is up to Saddam Hussein.''

The emir told Bush that his nation is being destroyed in an Iraqi reign of terror with ''terrifying'' pillaging and looting with its ''population assaulted, incarcerated, intimidated and even murdered.''

Bush said the two leaders agreed that all options must be kept open ''to ensure that Iraq's unlawful occupation in Kuwait is ended and Kuwait's legitimate government is restored.''

But national security adviser Brent Scowcroft said time will be allotted to see if the international embargo against Iraq is effective in forcing Iraq to leave Kuwait.

''I believe it is in everyone's interest to see whether or not there's a peaceful solution,'' Scowcroft said. ''There is no question what goes on in Kuwait affects the timetable (for use of other options).''

''I think we need to come to a sincere judgment of whether there is a peaceful way,'' Scowcroft said.

He said that the emir ''talked about the urgency of the situation'' but also told Bush he believes Saddam is feeling the effect of the sanctions.

While the U.N. charter has a specific provision for military action to enforce its resolutions, Scowcroft said that the president would not request it ''on this trip to New York.''

''There are additional U.N. articles that could be called into operation,'' Scowcroft said.

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ATLANTA (SEPT. 29) UPI - More than half of all Americans are concerned about the level of personal debt they currently owe, with 27 percent saying they're very concerned, according to a survey by a national credit reporting company.

Dr. Alan F. Westin, a professor of public law and government at Columbia University, said an analysis of the recent Louis Harris- conducted survey reveals that Americans between the ages of 18-24, people with the least formal education, and blacks were most likely to express concern.

Westin did the analysis for Equifax Inc., an Atlanta credit reporting company that requested the survey.

''Although 27 percent of the general public say they are very concerned, more

than half of black Americans (56 percent) say they are very concerned about their current debts,'' Westin said. The survey shows 51 percent of the general public are generally concerned about their current debt.

Additional findings include the following:

- Of those concerned about their debts, 33 percent have been turned down for credit, compared to 18 percent of those unconcerned.

- Eighteen percent of those concerned wish that a credit grantor had looked at their debts and turned down their application for further credit, compared to 4 percent of those unconcerned.

Americans concerned about their debt level are significantly more worried about threats to their privacy than those unconcerned, and they also believe more strongly that consumer privacy rights today are not adequately protected by law or organizational rules.

Westin called on the National Foundation for Consumer Credit to ''add a strong statement of privacy principles and procedures to its already excellent Code of Ethics for Consumer Credit Counseling Services.''

The NFCC serves as the umbrella group for 550 Consumer Credit Counseling Service offices. NFCC is a non-profit membership organization whose purpose is to educate, counsel, and promote the wise use of credit.

Equifax Inc. is the leading provider of information for consumer financial transactions.

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A PORT IN EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (SEPT. 29) UPI - More U.S. Army personnel arrived and shrink-wrapped Chinook and Huey helicopters were lifted off the decks of cargo ships Saturday, as U.S. forces strengthened their numbers in Saudia Arabia and an airman was reported wounded under unspecified circumstances.

Military officials had no information on how the soldier was shot but said an investigation was underway. Soldiers at bases in Saudi Arabia have told reporters they have been under orders to travel in pair for their safety.

The unidentified airman was reported in good condition at a military field hospital recovering from his wound, which he suffered Thursday. He was the third soldier to suffer a gunshot wound since the start of Operation Desert Shield to counter Iraqi aggression after the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Huge C-5A Galaxy transports disgorged Army soldiers who rested and gathered

their gear in shady hangers before loading onto buses for the trip to their final destination.

At the port, Army personnel from Fort Bragg, N.C., cut away plastic shrink wrap for the past two days and hung rotor blades on the Chinooks to get them ready for deployment. It took about four to five hours working in temperatures still well over 100 to get each aircraft ready to operate.

Both the Chinooks, including the new D model, and the 25-year-old Hueys, have special screening to help keep the fine invasive sand of the region from doing too much damage to the aircraft. The sand - so fine that Saudi Arabia must import sand for concrete - can scratch and wear away turbines and rotors and get into hydraulic systems.

In addition to maintenance problems, the sand can blot vision sometimes, swirling up around a landing helicopter. And pilots said the flatness of the terrain can lead to depth perception problems.

Capt. Kurt Fedors, operations officer for the 18th Aviation Brigade and a veteran of the U.S. invasion of Panama, said, ''It's a big concern. There are a couple of concerns. Flying low you pick up a lot of rotor wash and just kicking up sand and out here there's no terrain relief here like where we're from you can see trees and river valleys.''

''Out here in the desert it'll just jump up and you'll get a 100 foot rise and you can't see it,'' he said. ''It's like flying over water. You lose your depth perception. If you're flying at 50 feet and look away for a second and the radar altimeter reads zero feet and you're in trouble.''

The older Chinooks have had some problems with a transmission that combines power from two jet engines and earlier in the year some were briefly grounded for repairs. Capt. Corey Mahannah, the 18th's spokesman, said his units choppers were in good shape.

''The modifications have all been done,'' he said.

Also with the unit was Capt. Lorelei Coplen, a self-described Army brat whose husband, Capt. Richard Coplen, is a military intelligence specialist studying at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Government and International Relations.

She hasn't spoken with her husband since getting to Saudi Arabia, but was cheered by a letter, and Coplen's brother - her brother-in-law who serves under her in the helicopter maintenance unit and arrived with the ships carrying the helcopters.

As an Army child, Coplen said she spent much of her childhood in Lebanon and North Africa and is familiar with the Arab culture, so coming to Saudi Arabia

was no shock to her.

''In fact, I'm beginning to recognize the (Arabic) symbols again. My contact with the local population has been limited to officials and military officers and they have been the utmost in politeness.''

In a statement on the shooting incident, officials said the airman suffered a gunshot wound in the shoulder about 6 p.m. Sept. 27 at a facility in the country.

Although the airman was not named, he was described as a mechanic with the 833rd Transportation squadron based at Holloman Air Force Base, N.M. He was treated at the 354th Tactical Fighter Wing's mobile hospital and was in good condition. He was assigned to the transportation element suporting both the 354th and 23rd Tactical fightear Wing operations as part of Operation Desert Shield.

It was the third gunshot wound reported during the operation. Soldiers in the 24th Mechanized Division and the 101st Airborne Division suffered gunshot wounds in the lower limbs earlier.

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - Defense, the Chicago Bears and Los Angeles Raiders are on the upswing in this young NFL season. All three come together Sunday at the Los Angeles Coliseum.

The Bears and Raiders, whose past successes were built on intimidating defenses, are off to strong starts after slumping in recent years. They are among the five teams left unbeaten after three weeks of a season that has been dominated so far by defense.

Los Angeles has given up only one touchdown and its 25 points allowed are the lowest in the league. Chicago has the NFC's second-best defense, surrendering just two touchdowns and 29 points. Each team has 11 sacks.

''They're the best team we've seen on film so far, without question,'' Bears Coach Mike Ditka said of the Raiders. ''They're a good football team. They're well coached. They love to hit you. They love to beat on you. It ought to be a great game. I just hope it's not too hot. I'll get tired.''

The Bears have the most rushing yards in the league, led by Neal Anderson with 263. But Chicago ranks 27th in passing and the Raiders 25th, so Sunday's game figures to be slugged out in the trenches.

''Who knows?'' said Raiders Coach Art Shell, not necessarily buying that theory. ''It might be high scoring. All I know is I want to do whatever it

takes. I don't care if we win 3-0 or 34-33.''

A 34-33 score is unlikely. Chicago quarterback Jim Harbaugh was awful in last week's 19-16 victory over Minnesota, completing just 5 of 16 passes. Jay Schroeder of the Raiders averages a league-high 9.3 yards per attempt, but only two of his 54 passes have gone for touchdowns.

Second-year defensive end Trace Armstrong leads Chicago's rejuvinated front with a league-high five sacks.

''Last year was just such a different year,'' Armstrong said. ''It was really hard for anybody to excel. We had so many people coming in and out of the huddle, so many injuries. That combined with camp is why I didn't play the way I was a capable of last year.''

The New York Giants and Cincinnati Bengals also try to reach 4-0 this weekend. The Giants, another dominant defensive team, play home against Dallas Sunday and the Bengals play in Seattle Monday night. The other unbeaten team, San Francisco, is off this week with the rest of the NFC West.

At East Rutherford, N.J., the Giants shoot for their second triumph over the Cowboys in three weeks. New York dominated in a 28-7 victory over Dallas Sept. 16, holding the Cowboys offense without a touchdown while holding the ball for 41:14.

''As good as the Giants are playing right now, I don't know if anybody looks forward to playing them,'' Dallas Coach Jimmy Johnson said. ''But we feel we can do a better job than we did down here.

''It helps (to play so soon) in some ways because you do have them fresh on your minds.''

In other games Sunday, it's Cleveland at Kansas City, Tampa Bay at Minnesota, Denver at Buffalo, Miami at Pittsburgh, Indianapolis at Philadelphia, Houston at San Diego, Green Bay at Detroit, the New York Jets at New England, and Washington at Phoenix.

At Kansas City, Chiefs Coach Marty Schottenheimer faces his old team for the second time since leaving Cleveland after the 1988 season.

''The truth is no, it really isn't (special),'' Schottenheimer said. ''I think I mentioned a year ago when I went back to Cleveland I had anticipated that it would be kind of unique. I thought walking into the stadium I might have this sense of (emotion) but when I got there I didn't feel that.

''This is an opportunity for the Kansas City Chiefs to take on one of the best football teams in the American Conference and we need to try to find a way to win.''

The Browns, 1-2, have been far from one of the best teams in the AFC so far while the Chiefs, 2-1, have looked like the contenders they were supposed to be this year.

At Phoenix, the Redskins seek their second victory over the Cardinals this season but are without quarterback Mark Rypien. Stan Humphries replaces Rypien who is on injured reserve with a knee injury. Cardinals lost opener 31-0 in Washington.

''Stan Humphries is a good quarterback,'' Redskins Coach Joe Gibbs said. ''He wouldn't be in this league if he wasn't, and we have confidence in him.

''It's not on any one player's shoulders to win the game. If Stan keeps things simple and doesn't force anything, he'll do just fine.''

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 29) UPI - The Cold War really has not ended in Angola, the oil-rich southern African nation where U.S.-backed rebels are still battling a leftist government in a war that has left hundreds of thousands dead.

The United States has given tens of millions of dollars in covert military aid to the rebels since 1986. The reason then was that Angola was ruled by a one-party government, propped up by 50,000 Cuban troops and Soviet money.

But now, with the Cubans withdrawing, the Soviets growing more friendly and peace talks set to resume in late October between the Angolan government and the rebels, Congress is considering whether to continue that aid.

In addition, a complicating factor exists - famine, which prompted an agreement Sept. 24 between the United States and Angola to allow the shipment of supplies through both rebel- and government-controlled areas.

Hoping to shore up his U.S. support, rebel leader Jonas Savimbi of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola, or UNITA, will come to Washington on Monday for several days of meetings with members of Congress and President Bush.

His message: Stay the course.

''The present U.S. policy has been very effective. It has paid off. If today we are talking about prospects for peace in Angola and Cuban withdrawal from Angola, it was because UNITA was able to resist,'' said Jardo Muekalia, chief representative to the United States for the rebel group.

Muekalia said military aid will be needed until the government recognizes

UNITA as a political party and elections can be held. Aid now is particularly important, he said, because the Persian Gulf crisis has boosted the government's oil revenues.

''The Cold War may be winding down but ... the goal of U.S. policy in Angola has been national reconciliation,'' he said. ''The need for democracy and free and fair elections has nothing to with the winding down of the Cold War.''

However, American black leaders, including Jesse Jackson, and liberals in Congress have been working to end the aid to UNITA, which, because it is covert, has been provided without open debate in the House and Senate.

UNITA opponents argue that rather than being a fighter for democracy, Savimbi is an oportunist whose past patrons have ranged from Maoist China to racist South Africa. His record, they say, includes torture.

The next forum for the aid foes will be the House Rules Committee, which could act as early as Tuesday on whether the House will get a chance to cut off the money and whether to consider having a public debate.

The Senate already has passed its intelligence authorization bill, but opponents of aid in the House say they are more confident than ever that they may be able to eliminate or limit the money for Savimbi.

''We have a fighting chance on this one. It is not a kamikaze effort, '' said one congressional source who opposes Angolan aid.

But UNITA's Muekalia said he was not worried.

''Most people on the Hill, in Congress, understand that this is now a time when we need to concentrate on how to bring about democracy (in Angola) and not changing course in midstream,'' he said.

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - It's back to the drawing board today for White House and congressional negotiators working on a budget deal. White House chief of staff John Sununu left talks yesterday saying- ''we're moving in the right direction.'' That- after Republicans reportedly yielded on their demand for a cut in the capital gains tax. Sources say G-O-P negotiators now will push for pro-growth incentives.

Demonstrations in the Middle East yesterday show contrasting views of the Persian Gulf crisis. Tehran radio says huge crowds marched in the Iranian capital chanting anti-U-S slogans. Iran condemns Iraq's invasion of Kuwait but criticizes the presence of U-S-led forces in Saudi Arabia, where Islam's holiest sites are. In the United Arab Emirates, reports say 10-thousand

Kuwaitis and other Arabs attended a rally in support of Kuwait's deposed emir.

The House passed an emergency bill to triple the size of a test oil sale from the nation's strategic reserve. Energy Secretary Watkins yesterday asked Congress for power to increase the test to 15-Million barrels. President Bush Wednesday ordered a test draw-down of five- Million barrels of oil to be sold on the open market. The move is an attempt to end the kind of speculation that drove oil prices to nearly 40-dollars a barrel.

Air Force managers are watching the skies over Cape Canaveral, Florida, where a Deltam, E- D-T. Lift-off yesterday was postponed when clouds and heavy rain moved over the area. Forecasters now say there's a 40-percent chance of more bad weather today. The 30-Million-dollar rocket will carry a Global Positioning System military satellite into orbit.

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - Everyday life came to a halt at sundown yesterday in Israel as sirens marked the start of the holiest day of the year for the world's Jews observing Yom Kippur. Jews around the world are fasting in observance of the day of atonement when forgiveness is sought for the sins of the past year. During the 25-hour fast in Israel, all businesses, restaurants and places of entertainment close and public transportation halts.

Police in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, are looking for the kidnappers of two college students who were freed for 300-thousand dollars. The children of two prominent businessmen were kidnapped 17 days ago by members of a crime syndicate. Police say the kidnappers initially demanded 10-Million dollars and 11 pounds of pure gold, but later reduced the amount. Police say the students were freed UNharmed in a northern suburb.

Twin Peaks now belongs to Washington state. NOT the television show, but the pristine wooded site east of Seattle, best known to television viewers as the setting for the ''Twin Peaks'' series. State wildlife officials bought the 740-acre tract from Georgia-Pacific in an 820- thousand-dollar deal. Public lands chief Brian Boyle calls the area an ''excellent wildlife habitat,'' home to cougars, black bears, coyotes, bobcats, mountain goats, elk and deer.

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HOUSTON (SEPT. 29) UPI - A 538-foot Norwegian tanker lost power and collided with a tugboat and two barges, dumping more than 100,000 gallons of light crude oil into the Houston Ship Channel, but most of it had evaporated Saturday, officials said.

''The loss of power appears to have caused the vessel to go off course,'' said

Petty Officer Mike Sams of the Coast Guard's Marine Safety Office in Galveston.

The crash Friday 3.5 miles east of Texas City pierced the hull of one of the barges, spilling the oil into the water, Sams said.

Officials said the tanker was headed out of the channel and collided with a tugboat and the two 297-foot barges it was pushing at about 9 p.m.

Investigators were trying to determine what happened between the time of the power loss and collision, he said.

Lynn Garner, president of a cleanup company hired by the owners of the tanker, made an aerial survey of the spill and said it should all be evaporated Saturday afternoon.

Garner said about 126,000 gallons of crude spilled into the water but Sams said the Coast Guard had not made an official estimate.

Sams says Coast Guard personnel wore protective gear, including respirators.

The channel was reopened to barge traffic at 5:30 a.m. Saturday, Sams said.

The inbound barges were struck by the tanker as they were being pushed stern-to-stern by a tugboat, he said.

The ship was moved out of the spill area and anchored about 10 miles away, where it is undergoing a damage assessment, Sams said.

Garner said the collision left 10-foot holes in the ship and the barge. He said the hole in the barge is above the water line and the leaking has stopped.

The Coast Guard and officials from the Texas Water Commission are conducting tests to determine the extent of environmental damage, officials said.

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - Budget negotiators are hopeful of getting an agreement this weekend on spending cuts and tax increases. Sources say Republicans have dropped their demand for a cut in the capital gains tax.

President Bush met yesterday with the ousted emir of Kuwait, Sheik Jaber al Ahmad Al-Sabah. Al-Sabah says the U-N economic embargo is hurting Iraq. He praised Bush for his strong stand against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein .

Powerful thunderstorms brought flooding this morning in the Texas panhandle. Rain also hit southeastern Florida. The National Weather Service says gusts to 60 miles-an-hour are possible in Utah's Wasatch Mountains.

A funeral will be held Tuesday for former Democratic Chairman Lawrence O'Brien in his hometown of Springfield, Massachusetts. O'Brien died Thursday in New York. He had also served as commissioner of the National Basketball Association.

Mormon Church President Ezra Taft Benson ate yesterday for the first time since undergoing two brain operations. A church spokesman says the 91-year-old Benson is in fair condition. His appetite was good.

South African police say they have shut down an operation that smuggled rhinoceros horns and elephant tusks to Asia. Four people were arrested. Horns and tusks are used in Asia as aphrodisiacs and pain killers.

Troops backed by Syria imposed a land siege yesterday around an enclave of General Michel Aoun, a Christian military leader in Lebanon. Food and gasoline are cut off. Aoun says he may use force to break the blockade.

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(SEPT. 29) UPI - Catholic officials in Brownsville, Texas, complain that Border Patrol agents stole their records and arrested 34 refugees at a church shelter. A spokesman called the tactics ''unnecessary and un-American.''

Police officer Mark Conyers was called to a bar in Richmond, Virginia, yesterday because of a stabbing incident. He found his brother, Glen, had been stabbed. He died later. The assailant escaped.

Police have finished searching Henry Meinholz's property in Kingston, Massachusetts, without finding more bodies. He was charged with killing a 13-year-old neighbor girl after her body was found buried beneath his basement. Police say he is NOT a suspect in other slayings.

Authorities say a man who held hostages for 30 hours in Berkeley, California, and killed one person was a schizophrenic who heard ''voices of demons.'' A police SWAT team killed the Iranian immigrant yesterday.

A Sanford, Florida, judge who freed a rapist and blamed the victim for the attack... has asked to be relieved of criminal cases. The request was granted. But Judge Kenneth Leffle refused to resign from the bench as critics have demanded.

Students at the University of the District of Columbia are to resume negotiations with trustees today. Protesters have closed the university for three days. The students are angry about the running of the school.

Two teen-agers were arrested yesterday in Redwood City, California, on charges

of burning down a house while videotaping their arson. They are linked to 12 building fires that did more than two-Million dollars damage.

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TALLAHASSEE, FL. (SEPT. 29) UPI - Florida officials told a congressional subcommittee Saturday that diversion of hundreds of millions of gallons of water for Atlanta could dry up the Apalachicola Bay's fragile oyster industry.

U.S. Rep. Bill Grant, R-Fla., who represents the eastern Panhandle area affected by the plan, promised to introduce legislation to put the bay's seafood industry on equal footing with urban and farming interests upstream in Georgia and Alabama.

''We don't believe the burden of Atlanta's growth should be placed on the shoulders of the people of North Florida and Alabama,'' Grant said.

Grant arranged the meeting of the House subcommittee on water use to hear from oyster harvesters and state environmental officials.

At issue was diversion of waters from Lake Lanier, the headwaters of the Chattahoochee River, which joins the Flint River at the Florida line to make the Apalachciola River, which empties into the Gulf of Mexico at the world-famous oyster bay.

For differing reasons, Florida and Alabama officials vigorously oppose massive diversion of Lanier's waters for Atlanta's growth needs. Some downstream farming counties within Georgia also oppose the plan.

Atlanta officials say their residents and businesses need the proposed diversion of Lake Lanier. The U.S. Corps of Army Engineers has proposed diverting the water from hydropower and navigation to recreation and water supply, to meet Atlanta's needs through the year 2010.

Alabama has filed a federal suit to stop the diversion and Florida has joined in the litigation - contending that removal of the water would reduce the freshwater flow to Apalachicola Bay, thus increasing salinity in oyster beds already hard hit by two hurricanes in the late 1980s and persistent drought.

''Even the remote possibility for contamination of the Apalachicola Bay is unacceptable,'' Florida Insurance Commissioner Tom Gallagher testified. ''We're talking about the future of the seafood industry in Florida and along the entire Gulf Coast.''

While Gallagher testified in person, Education Commissioner Betty Castory and Attorney General Bob Butterworth submitted written testimony. As members of the state Cabinet, all three said the economy and ecology of the Panhandle and

Gulf Coast could not afford any loss of freshwater flow in that area.

Castor wrote that Florida has been dealing with growth management and comprehensive planning for many years and suggested ''our neighbors in Georgia may find it helpful to come work with the people in our agencies and water management districts to craft a strategic water plan that will meet their needs.''

Butterworth said Florida will ''push on'' with Alabama's lawsuit if that state works out a settlement with Georgia not acceptable to Florida.

State Rep. Al Lawson, D-Tallahassee, said 85 percent of Franklin County residents earn their livings from the bay. He said seafood accounts for $12 million in annual sales.

Grant said Corps of Engineers plans recognize transportation, recreation, drinking needs and other usages - but not seafood production. ''I intend to introduce legislation to change that.''

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#90272u0600 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - New York police are bracing for traffic gridlock and tactical headaches as more than 70 world leaders gather at the United Nations for the World Summit for Children. Nearly 150 motorcades will carry world leaders, including President Bush, from their hotels to the U-N building this afternoon when the summit opens.

The anti-apartheid African National Congress opened its first two legal regional congresses in 31 years. A keynote speaker told the Cape Town regional congress the Pretoria government instigated a wave of factional fighting by rival groups in black townships near Johannesburg. A-N-C leader Walter Sisulu is slated to address the Johannesburg congress.

In California, smog regulators moved to establish the world's most stringent tail-pipe emission rules, including a requirement for mass- produced electric cars by 1998. The state Air Resources Board says the plan is feasible. The program will require carmakers to sell progressively cleaner cars beginning in 1994. .

Senator Max Baucus of Montana say House and Senate negotiators on clean air legislation remain ''miles apart.'' The negotiators say time is short to reach a final compromise on separate clean air bills before Congress adjourns in two weeks. A point of contention yesterday centered on alternative fuel provisions.

A handicapped man who sued East St. Louis, Illinois, won the deed to City Hall but his lawyer says the government can still use the building. A judge yesterday told cash-strapped East St. Louis to give up the deed to City Hall

to help satisfy a four-Million-dollar judgment owed Walter DeBow. He was beaten in a city jail in 1984. City lawyers say they'll appeal the judge's ruling.

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#90272u0639 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL. (SEPT. 29) UPI - Launch of a $30 million Delta 2 rocket carrying a $65 million Global Positioning System military navigation satellite was postponed Saturday for the second day by bad weather.

A third launch attempt was scheduled for 5:31 p.m. EDT Monday.

The 126-foot, blue-and-white Delta 2 rocket was scheduled for liftoff at 5:40 p.m. EDT Saturday from launch complex 17 at the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, 24 hours behind schedule because of stormy weather Friday.

More bad weather prompted Air Force mission managers to order a second delay Saturday.

The goal of the flight is the launch of a Global Positioning System ''Navstar'' satellite, the ninth in a planned network of such spacecraft that ultimately will allow military forces on the ground, at sea and in the air to determine their location and altitude to within 53 feet anywhere in the world.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 29) UPI - An explosion at a nuclear fuel plant spewed poisonous gas across the Soviet city of Ust-Kamenogorsk, prompting officials there to ask the Kremlin to declare the area an ecological disaster zone, The New York Times reported Saturday.

No loss of lives or evacuations were reported in the complaint filed by the republic of Kazakhstan, but the region, located near the Soviet borders with China and Mongolia, suffered widespread contamination, the newspaper said.

The blast occurred Sept. 12 at the Ulba Metallurgical works and released a ''poisonous cloud'' across the republic's eastern area, a region about 2,000 miles southeast of Moscow, according to Soviet news accounts, the Times said.

The Soviet accounts said the plant's process involved beryllium, a heavy metal that is an element used in fuel for nuclear power reactors. Beryllium is not radiactive but is a toxic chemical.

The local Soviet authorities, who are reported to have waited four days before announcing the nature of the explosion to the public, have said that it left a residue variously reported as an ''insignificant increase'' and an amount

double the normally permissible level of beryllium contaminants in the air.

The Times said a quantitative measurement of the beryllium was not reported, nor was there any description of how harmful it might be to human health.

President Nursultan Nazarbayev of Kazakhstan said in his message to the Kremlin that the local authorities had already declared the region an ecological disaster area, according to the Soviet press agency Tass.

''The Kazakh public and the town's population demand urgent measures and compensation for their damaged heath,'' Tass quoted Nazarbayev as saying.

The Kazakh authorities want the Kremlin to act urgently and dispatch experts to the region to determine in the nuclear fuel plant should be closed, the Times said.

The region has been closed to foreign correspondents.

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#90272u0660 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - White House Chief of Staff John Sununu left last night's session of the budget negotiations by saying- ''We're moving in the right direction.'' The bargainers meet again today. They hope to have an agreement by tomorrow. Otherwise the law dictates certain automatic spending cuts. Sources say the Republicans have agreed to drop their demand that capital gains taxes be reduced.

Each day 40-thousand children around the world die. This weekend the United Nations hosts a World Summit for Children in an effort to cut that figure. More than 70 world leaders- the biggest such gathering in history- will attend. The U-N Children's Fund says many children's deaths could be prevented with medicines costing only a few cents. 150- Million children go to bed hungry. 100-Million get NO formal education.

Some stores in western Ohio, northwest Kentucky and southeast Indiana have removed some cupcakes from their shelves as a precaution because of fear of tampering. NO definite tampering is known. Police in Kenton, Ohio, have arrested a man on the charge of possessing cigarettes with NO Ohio tax stamps. In his car they found boxes of Little Debbie snack cakes that were taped shut, and a list of stores. Tests are being conducted on the snacks.

It is a wet day in the panhandle of Texas. Powerful thunderstorms brought floods this morning. A flash flood was issued for the Amarillo area. The National Weather Service reported numerous storms were moving northeast through the Panhandle. Winds were strong in the mountains of Utah. For the third straight night, fog was heavy in north-central Pennsylvania.

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#90272u0670 09/29/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 29) UPI - For the first time in 31 years, the African National Congress held legal regional congresses today in South Africa. One keynote speaker, A- N-C Treasurer-General Thomas Nkobi, said the government was responsible for instigating a wave of black violence. He accused South Africa of negotiating with the A-N-C because of international pressure, while it tries to weaken the group through violence.

West Germany's constitutional court said today a treaty detailing rules for elections after Germany re-unites, discriminates against small parties. Some small parties had complained about the treaty, which was signed by East and West Germany in August. The court said the pact is invalid because it provides that any party needs at least five percent of the vote to get any seats in parliament.

News media in India report more protests against a plan to reserve some jobs for the so-called backward classes. An 18-year-old student hanged herself yesterday. Two other youths took poison to try to kill themselves, and three set themselves on fire. In several Indian states, police and demonstrators clashed. In recent days 65 protesters have been killed by police gunfire.

Millions of South Koreans are on the move today as nearly a week of holidays begins. Monday is a legal holiday, Armed Forces Day. Tuesday through Thursday are the Mid-Autumn Moon Festival, the Korean version of Thanksgiving. It is a time when Koreans visit relatives and graves of ancestors. Transportation stations in Seoul were crowded today as people arrived or left to begin their holidays.

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#90272u0676 09/29/1990 ~United Press International
KINGSTON, MA (SEPT. 29) UPI - Mourners overflowed a church Saturday for the funeral of a 13-year-old girl found partially clad and buried in her neighbor's basement, as new reports emerged about his history of sexual assaults.

Family and close friends of Melissa Benoit crowded the First Parish Unitarian Church, a simple white New England church with a bell in its spire, as hundreds of other mourners huddled outside to hear the service broadcast on speakers.

Pink ribbons, which adorned trees during the southeastern Massachusetts town's massive search for Benoit, decorated the green outside the church.

Meantime, published reports Saturday revealed the man charged with murdering Benoit had admitted to previously molesting children, raping a young woman at

knifepoint, masturbating while watching school girls and making obscene phone calls.

Henry Meinholz Jr., 52, was arrested Wednesday shortly after Benoit's body, clad in only a pink T-shirt, was found in a shallow grave in the basement of his home.

While a cause of death has not been conclusively determined, court documents revealed an autopsy found ''injuries consistent with sexual assault'' and bruises ''consistent with a struggle prior to death.''

Reports indicated Benoit was bound with rope around her body and one of her hands.

Meinholz, 52, a bookkeeper for a lumber company and a church deacon, pleaded innocent at arraignment Thursday and was ordered to undergo psychiatric testing.

His attorney, Jack Atwood, said Meinholz was questioned by the FBI earlier this month and ''made certain disclosures about other crimes he may have committed.''

Published reports quoted unnamed sources as saying Meinholz told investigators he raped a young woman at knifepoint at a fair in nearby Marshfield about 10 years ago, masturbated while watching school-aged girls, made obscene phone calls and followed school buses to watch young girls.

He also reportedly admitted to three decades of molesting children and told investigators of a history of incest in his family.

Atwood has said his client remembered nothing about the Benoit slaying and has had out-of-body experiences in which he sees himself in other places, and recurring nightmares about being in a crypt or coffin.

Police questioned Meinholz after an officer recalled Meinholz was accused in 1979 of molesting one of his two daughters, who are now adults no longer living at home.

State welfare workers reportedly removed the daughter from the home in October 1979 for two months after substantiating a report of abuse against Meinholz.

Meinholz reportedly failed a lie detector test when questioned about Benoit's whereabouts last week. Police then obtained a warrant to search his home.

Police dug up two areas of Meinholz's yard Thursday and Friday in search of more bodies but stopped searching and said they only found more evidence in the Benoit case.

State police said Meinholz is not considered a suspect in any other slaying.

Benoit, a soft-spoken eighth-grader at the Sacred Heart School, vanished Sept. 15 after spending the afternoon watching television at another neighbor's house. She is believed to have left that house, 50 feet from her own, to visit the grave of her father, who died one year ago last week.

Meinholz, a deacon at the First Baptist Church in Plymouth, and his wife lived next door to Benoit and were among scores of neighbors and friends who combed the town of 4,300 residents looking for the missing girl.

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#90272u0721 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 29) UPI - The World Summit for Children, the largest gathering of presidents and prime ministers ever, began Saturday at the United Nations with a public plea for payment of a world debt and a series of private meetings.

''The world has a social debt it has to pay to the poorest,'' said the first head of state to address the meeting, Chile's President Patricio Aylwin Azocar at a background briefing.

In the world, 40,000 children die every day from causes that could be avoided and prevented, Aylwin said. In Latin America and the Caribbean there are more than 100 million poor people, mostly children, he said.

Canada's Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, one of the initiators of the unprecedented summit, met with Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu in a basement conference room at the U.N.

They were the first world leaders Saturday to hold private, bilateral discussions in the complex.

The summit, witnessed by fewer than 200 children, has strained the capability of the U.N. to handle the more than 70 leaders, including President Bush, Britain's Margaret Thatcher and Czechoslovakia's President Vaclav Havel.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, who greeted the arriving dignitaries, said nearly all the officials were ''extremely concerned about the difficult situation'' in the Persian Gulf.

However, they combined their concern with hopes for the success of the summit, which he described as a ''tender occasion.''

Nearly 150 motorcades took the dignitaries from their hotels to the U.N. building for a series of bilateral and multilateral meetings and a windup dinner exclusively for heads of state and or government Saturday evening.

Participants were asked to be present at 7 a.m. Sunday for a daylong debate.

Had it not been for the Persian Gulf crisis, King Hussein of Jordan and King Fahd of Saudi Arabia would have attended. Except for the Kuwaiti emir and Lebanon's Prime Minister Salim Hoss, all other Middle East leaders stayed home.

King Baudoin of Belgium will be the only monarch at the summit. All Latin American heads of state and government will be present. African leaders will show up in force, including Uganda's President Yoweri Museveni, Mozambique's Joaquim Chissano and Zimbabwe's Robert Mugabe.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and China's Prime Minister Li Peng first accepted the invitation, but later declined in order to deal with domestic problems, U.N. officials said.

The U.N. Children's Fund said many of the child fatalities are caused by a lack of medicines that cost only a few U.S. cents each.

Officials of UNICEF estimate the meeting will cost between $3 and $5 million.

Scores of governments have contribued $3 million to defray costs of the summit. In addition, New York City police would spend $6 million in overtime for police work, city officials said.

Dr. Nafis Sadik, executive director of the U.N. Population Fund, told the briefing, ''Up to 20 percent of all pregnancies are unwanted ... the first child of a teenage mother is 80 percent more likely to die than the second or third child ot a woman aged 20-24...''

''Children born less than two years after their older brother or sister are 66 percent more likely to die in infancy,'' said Sadik. ''By expanding effective, modern family planning, infant and child deaths in the Third World would be cut to by 3 to 5 million; perhaps a third of the estimated 13 million such deaths annually.''

Diarrhea was the single most fatal disease, causing 4 million annually among children under 5 years of age.

However, Dr. Hiroshi Nakajima, director general of the World Health Organization said 700,000 children already have been born with AIDS, and estimates 700,000 have been born infected with HIV, the human immunodeficiency virus, which causes aids.

He told the briefing that by the year 2000 over 10 million infants and children will have been infected by HIV, and at least 1 million will die of AIDS.

''More than 10 million uninfected children - mostly in sub-Saharan Africa - will be orphaned as their parents die of AIDs,'' he said.

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#90272u0754 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz made an unexpected visit to Jordan for a meeting with King Hussein today. Hussein has said he will honor the U-N-imposed embargo against his former ally by limiting air traffic into and out of Amman to only passenger flights. Aziz may be trying to pressure the Jordanians to ease its adherence to the sanctions imposed for the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait. .

U-S military officials in Saudi Arabia are investigating the wounding of an American airman. The airman is listed in good condition with a gunshot wound to his shoulder that was inflicted in unspecified conditions in eastern Saudi Arabia. A statement says the airman was wounded at dusk Thursday while serving as a general purpose mechanic. An inquiry was ordered into the shooting.

The anti-apartheid African National Congress is holding its first two legal congresses in South Africa in 31 years ago. A keynote speaker at one of the meetings accused the government of fomenting a wave of factional black-on-black violence that killed up to 800 people in more than six weeks. A-N-C Treasurer-General Thomas Nkobi told the Cape Town regional congress that the government promoted the violence to weaken the A-N-C.

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#90272u0770 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 29) UPI - While the United States gauged the impact of the international embargo against Iraq, President Bush arrived Saturday for a weekend of personal diplomacy at the United Nations.

Bush, who will address the World Summit for Children at the United Nations on Sunday, will meet with 20 foreign leaders in his continuing diplomatic effort to isolate Iraq following its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Among those scheduled to meet with Bush were British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

Bush also had a series of bilateral meetings scheduled Saturday with the leaders of Colombia, Lebanon, Nicaragua, Poland and Japan.

The highlight of the president's three-day trip to New York will be his address to the U.N. General Assembly on Monday, in which he is expected to salute the international solidarity for a sea and air embargo of Iraq designed to pressure Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw his forces from Kuwait.

A White House aide said there would be ''a couple of surprises'' in Bush's speech to the General Assembly. He did not explain or elaborate.

In meetings last week with Turkish President Turgut Ozal and Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al Sabah, the emir of Kuwait, Bush heard an assessment of Iraqi forces.

After a two-hour meeting Friday with the emir, Bush said: ''His highness and I reaffirmed our support for the U.N. Security Council resolutions as the means to bring about a peaceful end to the crisis. But ultimately, that is up to Saddam Hussein.''

The emir told Bush that his nation is being destroyed in an Iraqi reign of terror with ''terrifying'' pillaging and looting with its ''population assaulted, incarcerated, intimidated and even murdered.''

Bush said the two leaders agreed that all options must be kept open ''to ensure that Iraq's unlawful occupation in Kuwait is ended and Kuwait's legitimate government is restored.''

But national security adviser Brent Scowcroft said time will be allotted to see if the international embargo against Iraq is effective in forcing Iraq to leave Kuwait.

''I believe it is in everyone's interest to see whether or not there's a peaceful solution,'' Scowcroft said. ''There is no question what goes on in Kuwait affects the timetable (for use of other options).''

''I think we need to come to a sincere judgment of whether there is a peaceful way,'' Scowcroft said.

He said that the emir ''talked about the urgency of the situation'' but also told Bush he believes Saddam is feeling the effect of the sanctions.

While the U.N. charter has a specific provision for military action to enforce its resolutions, Scowcroft said that the president would not request it ''on this trip to New York.''

''There are additional U.N. articles that could be called into operation,'' Scowcroft said.

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#90272u0773 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - The bi-partisan deficit-cutting negotiations on the federal budget are to resume at about Noon, E-D-T, and two sources say the Republicans in the talks have dropped their long-standing demand for a capital gains tax cut. The sources say the G-O-P bargainers are pushing instead for other

pro-growth incentives. The negotiators are facing a Monday deadline to come up with 500-BILLION dollars in deficit cuts in the next five years.

The United States delivered four helicopter gunships to the Philippine Air Force today. The aircraft are for use in the Philippine war against communist guerrillas. They are the first batch of 28 McDonnel Douglas 520-M-G ''Defender'' helicopters to be delivered under the foreign military sales credit in exchange for the use of six military bases by U-S forces in the Philippines.

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#90272u0808 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

PANAMA CITY, PANAMA (SEPT. 29) UPI - Unknown gunmen fired shots at Panama's presidential palace early Saturday from a passing car, a presidential spokesman said.

Local news reports said no one was hurt in the incident.

Carlos Bares, chief of presidential security, said an attack was made against the presidential palace at 1:30 a.m. local time Saturday, but would not provide more details.

He said President Guillermo Endara was in New York for the United Nations summit on children at the time of the attack.

Witnesses living near the palace said two men in a rented Mitsubishi car sped through the security chains at the entrance to the palace and fired several shots at the front of the building.

They said the car bolted from the scene down a street leading to the waterfront and careened into the ocean.

No bodies were recovered from the wreck, local television station Channel 4 reported.

The attack was the second since Endara was ushered into office during the December U.S. invasion of Panama. The first, which also occurred when Endara was out of the country, left one palace worker dead.

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#90272u0817 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (SEPT. 29) UPI - Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin was more seriously injured than first reported in a traffic accident a week ago, and the charismatic populist has been confined to bed for 10 days, a newspaper reported Saturday.

The official trade union newspaper Trud quoted a Yeltsin aide identified only as G. Burbulis saying ''consequences of the road accident turned out to be more serious than seemed to be at first.''

Trud said Yeltsin had suffered serious bruises, particularly in the area of his hip, and doctors had ordered that he stay in bed for 10 days.

''Nevertheless, Boris Nikolaevich (Yeltsin) as usual does not lose his optimism and follows all events closely,'' Burbulis was quoted as saying.

Since the Sept. 21 accident Yeltsin has missed a week of sessions of the Russian Supreme Soviet of which he is chairman. He was also conspiciously absent from the debates over granting extra economic powers to his erstwhile rival President Mikhail Gorbachev.

Yeltsin, dogged by accidents throughout his life, was injured when a small Lada driven by a pensioner ploughed into the side of his official Volga sedan.

Unlike other top Soviet officials, who have traffic blocked or use escorts with red lights and sirens to clear the way, Yeltsin has ordered that no special provisions be made for him and his driver negotiates normal traffic on Moscow streets.

Trud said there have been numerous telephone calls and cables offering whatever help is needed since the accident, but said all Yeltsin required was rest and he was being taken care of by family members. It was unclear if he was in a hospital or at home.

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#90272u0843 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - France warned today that it will retaliate against Iraq if it's linked to a fatal grenade attack on a cafe used by French nationals in the East African nation of Djibouti. The attack Thursday night on the Cafe de Paris killed a nine-year-old boy and injured 17 other people. French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas called the attack ''abominable.''

More than 70 world leaders, including President Bush and British Prime Minister Thatcher, are gathering at the United Nations in New York for the World Summit for Children. The summit opens this afternoon to adopt a plan of action designed to drastically cut the globe's 40- thousand deaths a day of children.

Philippine President Corazon Aquino was warned today against making a secret deal to extend U-S basing rights in the Philippines. The warning came from the Communist-led opposition, which said that such a move would jeopardize efforts to settle a 21-year insurgency. It said extending U-S basing rights ''can only further divide the nation and close avenues to peace.'' .

Also today, Manila police say unidentified men in cars hurled a tiny home-made bomb at the Philippine office of a Procter and Gamble subsidiary in the capital's financial district. Police say the device hit a fence and bounced on the street, where it exploded... injuring one person and leaving a small crater in the pavement.

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#90272u0845 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 30) UPI - France warned Saturday it would retaliate if the grenade attack on a cafe that killed a 9-year-old boy is linked with Iraq, and Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz of Iraq made an unexpected visit to Jordan for talks with King Hussein.

Iraq denied it will withhold food from foreigners beginning Monday as previously threatened, as President Bush headed into a weekend of personal diplomacy at the United Nations to continued his effort to isolate Iraq following the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Among the foreign leaders Bush will meet are British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze. Bush also had a series of meetings scheduled Saturday with the leaders of Colombia, Lebanon, Nicaragua, Poland and Japan.

Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu is expected to explain the steps Japan has taken in the crisis, including its pledge of $4 billion in financial support and a proposal under consideration to permit unarmed Japanese to go to the Persian Gulf for non-combat duty.

The highlight of Bush's three-day trip to New York will be his address to the U.N. General Assembly on Monday, in which he is expected to salute the international solidarity for a sea and air embargo of Iraq designed to pressure Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw his forces from Kuwait.

The Iraqi foreign minister Aziz, who boycotted the U.N. General Assembly after a dispute with the United States over what type of aircraft could carry him to New York, unexpectedly visited Jordan and held talks with Hussein Saturday in a closed meeting, presumably to try to convince the monarch to ease the restrictions against Iraq, Jordan's largest trading partner.

The Jordanian monarch, who has been trying to walk a fine line between maintaining friendly relations with Iraq and conceding to world pressure, said three days ago that he would honor the economic embargo against Iraq by limiting air traffic between Baghdad and Amman to passenger flights only.

Iraq, meanwhile, denied that foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait would be barred from obtaining food under a new rationing system that starts Monday.

''The rationing card system will ensure the basic and necessary commodities are distributed in equal quotas, without discrimination between Iraqis, Arabs, diplomats, foreigners working in Iraq, and those who are guests of Iraq,'' said Muhammed Mahdi Saleh, minister of trade, in a statement carried by the official Iraqi News Agency INA.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein refers to Western hostages held at key military and economic sites as guests, even though they are being held against their will.

Iraq said two days ago that foreigners would be denied ration cards, which are used in the distribution of the dwindling supplies of food in Iraq and Kuwait due to the economic embargo imposed by the United Nations.

Iraqi authorities have been rationing bread for weeks, but under the new plan that starts Monday many other staples will be rationed as well and people redeeming ration cards will have to produce I.D. cards to guard against cheeting.

In Paris, French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said France would respond firmly if it were proven the Thursday night grenade attack on the Cafe de Paris used by French citizens in the East African nation of Djibouti was sponsored by Iraq.

''It is abominable to strike at innocents,'' Dumas said on France- Inter Radio of the attack that killed a 9-year-old French boy and injured 17 other people. ''One must energetically condemn such an attack.''

Dumas said no evidence unearthed yet has definitely linked the incident to Iraq, but warned France would respond firmly if a link was proven.

He noted the attack coincided with the arrival this weekend of 4,000 French troops in Saudi Arabia.

France deployed he additional troops after Iraqi presidential guardsmen burst into the French Ambassador's residence at Kuwait City and seized three French civlians sheltering there.

A Paris-based Djibouti opposition group condemned the cafe attack in a statement Saturday and said it was ''can only be the work of isolated individuals.'' It also said Djibouti authorities recently had imported arms from Iraq that apparently were distributed clandestinely.

As the French government flexed its military muscle, thousands of French demonstrators marched across the river Seine in Paris to protest French military involvement in the Persian Gulf.

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#90272u0849 09/29/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 29) UPI - At Cape Canaveral, Florida, engineers will try again this evening to get a 30-Million-dollar Air Force Delta-2 rocket off the ground. The launch of the rocket carrying a Global Positioning System military navigation satellite was postponed yesterday because of rain and heavy clouds.

The Coast Guard and Texas water officials are trying to determine the extent of environmental damage in the Houston Ship Channel, where 126- thousand gallons of a light crude oil were spilled last night. The spill occurred after a tanker and two barges collided. NO one was injured, and officials say most of the oil has evaporated.

A new survey shows that more than half of all Americans are concerned about their personal debt. The survey by Equifax Incorporated, an Atlanta credit reporting company, found that 31 percent of those who expressed concern about their debts have been turned down for credit... compared to 18 percent of those unconcerned.

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#90272u0903 09/29/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 30) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball
Milwaukee - Hired Demie Mainieri, Ron Rizzi and Steve Minor as scouts.

Football
Philadelphia - Placed tackle Matt Darwin on injured reserve list.

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#90272u0931 09/29/1990 ~United Press International
ST. PAUL, Minn. (OCT. 1) UPI - Northwest Airlines is asking its union employees to consider accepting concessions or come up with other ways to save the carrier money in the face of skyrocketing fuel costs.

Northwest Chairman Al Checchi made formal requests Friday in separate meetings with the chairman of the airline's 5,600-member pilots union, the president of its 24,000-member machinists union and in a telephone conversation with the national airline director of the Teamsters Union, which represents 8,500 Northwest flight attendants.

Union leaders said Checchi did not threaten layoffs if concessions are not granted. But they said he made it clear that all airlines are hurting because of the higher fuel costs.

''He's interested in having us, well, brainstorm for creative things we can do to keep the airline moving forward and get through this fuel crisis ahead of the game, or at least not lose ground,''said Duane Woerth, chairman of the Northwest council of the Airline Pilots Association.

Northwest's annual fuel bill was about $1.2 billion at mid-July prices but will rise an estimated $600 million in the next 12 months if prices stay at current levels. It is estimated that would use up most of the carrier's annual cash flow if the higher costs are not passed on to passengers or offset by budget cuts.

Northwest is the nation's fourth-largest air carrier and has about 14,000 employees.

The union leaders were not quick to jump on the concession bandwagon.

''I think the membership in general is skeptical,'' said Guy Cook, president of the International Association of Machinists at Northwest. ''They like Checchi. But they read the papers. They see Eastern, they see Hormel. They have a feeling that once you start these concessions they never stop.

''Sure, we have an interest in keeping Northwest healthy.But my people also look at it personally. There's a feeling that throughout the economy, the worker's standard of living goes down but management's doesn't.''

Cook said if he had to make an immediate decision, he would lean toward taking layoffs rather than reopening labor agreements for renegotiation.

Woerth said his union is ''not in any mood to negotiate anything, but we'll try to stay on top of the situation and we expect to be kept in the loop.''

Checchi apparently set no deadline for a response from the unions, nor did he say how much money the airline needs to save in labor costs or specifically how that might be achieved.

Northwest is expected next week to begin modest cost-cutting measures, possibly including reduced food service or fewer flight attendants on certain flights. Other airlines are also taking similar steps.

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#90272u0933 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

SOUTH BEND, IN (SEPT. 29) UPI - Raghib Ismail ran for 82 yards and a touchdown, leading a 362-yard ground attack by top-ranked Notre Dame in Saturday's 37-11 rout of Purdue.

Ismail, a junior, carried five times and scored on a career-longest scrimmage run of 64 yards. Fourteen Irish rushers carried a total of 65 times and Notre

Dame owned the ball for 38:48. Even fourth-string walk- on quarterback Matt Johnson had a chance to rush against the outmatched Boilermakers.

The Irish, 3-0, won their fifth straight over Purdue and 12th straight over a Big Ten foe. Notre Dame, now on a 19-game home win streak, has beaten the Boilermakers, 1-2, by a combined point total of 214-54 over the past five seasons.

Ismail took a pitch from quarterback Rick Mirer on a flanker reverse and rushed 64 yards down the left sideline for a touchdown, giving Notre Dame a 20-3 lead 10:37 before halftime. ''Rocket'' kept back judge Ted Defilippo between himself and Purdue defenders until he crashed into the official as he fell across the goal line.

Linebacker Scott Kowalkowski and tackle Chris Zorich led a relentless Irish pass rush that sacked Purdue sophomore quarterback Eric Hunter four times for 36 yards. Kowalkowski knocked loose two Hunter fumbles, recovering one to set up a touchdown. Zorich recovered the other a play before Ismail's touchdown run. Hunter completed 21 of 37 passes for 354 yards but Purdue failed to convert on any of 10 third-down attempts.

Mirer completed 11 of 17 passes for 130 yards, but the Irish sophomore had no need of the last-second heroics he used the past two weeks in leading Notre Dame past Michigan and Michigan State. Mirer rallied the Irish for two fourth-quarter touchdowns each of the past two weeks with the help of deflected passes that fell into the hands of Notre Dame receivers.

Rodney Culver scored on a 2-yard run with 2:04 remaining in the second quarter giving the Irish a 27-3 halftime lead. The play capped an 89-yard, 17-play drive lasting 6:23. Notre Dame rushed for 247 yards on 33 carries and had the ball 18:52 in the first half. Purdue managed 1 yard on 13 carries and failed on all six third-down conversion attempts.

Mirer scored the first Irish touchdown on a 12-yard run 45 seconds into the second quarter. The sophomore weaved past four tacklers before reaching the end zone. Notre Dame led 6-3 after one quarter on field goals of 44 and 43 yards by Craig Hentrich. Larry Sullivan kicked a 31- yard field goal for Purdue.

Shawn Davis, a cornerback converted to split end this season, scored on a 1-yard run after Kowalkowski's third-quarter fumble recovery. Hentrich added a 24-yard field goal to give the Irish a 37-3 lead.

Curtis McManus caught a 38-yard touchdown pass from Hunter with 3:23 remaining and Ernest Calloway caught a two-point conversion pass for the final points.

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#90272u0986 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

OLYMPIA, WA (SEPT. 30) UPI - Lawmakers are looking at an updated form of the ancient Chinese medical practice of acupuncture as a possible remedy for drug addiction.

A State Senate panel was told Friday that a modernized form of the technique known as electroacupuncture is gaining popularity among treatment professionals.

Under the method, five needles are stuck in each ear and then electrofied by a mild current. As the patient sits quietly for about an hour, the electrified needles calm the nervous system that has been disrupted by alcohol or drugs, according to therapists who have used the practice successfully.

''It appears to be an effective way of detoxifying without the anguish and pain seen in other methods,'' staff counsel Rod McAuley told the Senate Law and Justice Committee.

Sen. Gary Nelson, R-Edmonds, who chairs the committee, said he's been interested in the technique for several years, particularly as a way to help pregnant women addicted to drugs lessen their pain and the effects of drugs on their babies.

McAuley said the benefits of acupuncture in addiction treatment were discovered aboud 15 years ago in Hong Kong. There, drug addicted patients who used acupuncture as an anesthetic during surgery reported they lost their craving for drugs after the operation.

Since then, clinics in London have been using electroacupuncture to help addicts and the treatment is available in about half a dozen cities in the United States, he said.

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#90272u0993 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

KINGSTON, MA (SEPT. 30) UPI - Mourners overflowed a church Saturday for the funeral of a 13-year-old girl found partially clad and buried in her neighbor's basement, as new reports emerged about his history of sexual assaults.

About 150 family members and close friends of Melissa Benoit crowded the First Parish Unitarian Church, a simple white New England church with a bell in its spire. Hundreds of other mourners huddled outside to hear the Rev. Walter Braman's 40 minute service broadcast on speakers.

Pink ribbons, which adorned trees during the southeastern Massachusetts town's massive search for Benoit, decorated the green outside the church.

''Melissa was one fiber warp and woof of the fabric of our lives,'' Braman said, using weaving terms metaphorically. ''This fiber was cut short, but it remains strong.''

The Benoit family arrived in a limosine and said nothing while entering and leaving the church. Occasional sobs and prayers went up from the clusters of mourners outside the church.

Braman urged mourners to remember the strong community response to Benoit's disappearance, the ''love and hope'' of the 11-day ordeal, rather than letting the episode's ''cynicism and fear'' triumph.

Meantime, published reports Saturday revealed the man charged with murdering Benoit had admitted to previously molesting children, raping a young woman at knifepoint, masturbating while watching school girls and making obscene phone calls.

Henry Meinholz Jr., 52, was arrested Wednesday shortly after Benoit's body, clad in only a pink T-shirt, was found in a shallow grave in the basement of his home.

While a cause of death has not been conclusively determined, court documents revealed an autopsy found ''injuries consistent with sexual assault'' and bruises ''consistent with a struggle prior to death.''

Reports indicated Benoit was bound with rope around her body and one of her hands.

Meinholz, 52, a bookkeeper for a lumber company and a church deacon, pleaded innocent at arraignment Thursday and was ordered to undergo psychiatric testing.

His attorney, Jack Atwood, said Meinholz was questioned by the FBI earlier this month and ''made certain disclosures about other crimes he may have committed.''

Published reports quoted unnamed sources as saying Meinholz told investigators he raped a young woman at knifepoint at a fair in nearby Marshfield about 10 years ago, masturbated while watching school-aged girls, made obscene phone calls and followed school buses to watch young girls.

He also reportedly admitted to three decades of molesting children and told investigators of a history of incest in his family.

Atwood has said his client remembered nothing about the Benoit slaying and has had out-of-body experiences in which he sees himself in other places, and recurring nightmares about being in a crypt or coffin.

Police questioned Meinholz after an officer recalled Meinholz was accused in 1979 of molesting one of his two daughters, who are now adults no longer living at home.

State welfare workers reportedly removed the daughter from the home in October 1979 for two months after substantiating a report of abuse against Meinholz.

Meinholz reportedly failed a lie detector test when questioned about Benoit's whereabouts last week. Police then obtained a warrant to search his home.

Police dug up two areas of Meinholz's yard Thursday and Friday in search of more bodies but stopped searching and said they only found more evidence in the Benoit case.

State police said Meinholz is not considered a suspect in any other slaying.

Benoit, a soft-spoken eighth-grader at the Sacred Heart School, vanished Sept. 15 after spending the afternoon watching television at another neighbor's house. She is believed to have left that house, 50 feet from her own, to visit the grave of her father, who died one year ago last week.

Meinholz, a deacon at the First Baptist Church in Plymouth, and his wife lived next door to Benoit and were among scores of neighbors and friends who combed the town of 4,300 residents looking for the missing girl.

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#90272u0996 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL, South Korea (SEPT. 30) UPI - Millions of South Koreans, taking advantage of nearly a week of upcoming holidays, began moving to and from Seoul Saturday for reunions with relatives and fun at resorts.

Railroad stations and express bus terminals in Seoul were crowded with people going to and coming from provincial points. Radio and television stations were advising people to leave private cars at home and use mass transportation so as not to overcrowd highways.

Authorities estimated that about one-third of the nation's 43 million people will be on the move during the holiday period ending Thursday.

Monday is Armed Forces Day, a legally designated public holiday. Tuesday through Thursday are Chusok, or Mid-Autumn Moon Festival holidays, also officially recognized.

On Chusok, Koreans are reunited with relatives and visit ancestral graveyards to offer fresh fruits and boiled rice and wine made of newly harvested crops. Many people visits resorts for fun after the Chusok rituals.

The Korean version of Thanksgiving, Chusok is one of the most important holidays in the nation.

This year, Chusok Day falls on Wednesday, which coincides with the National Foundation Day marking the founding of Korea by a legendary king.

To commemorate the National Foundation Day, the government freed 773 prisoners including 147 juveniles, from correction institutions across the country Saturday.

It is a standing practice for the government to mark major holidays by releasing convicts with good prison records.

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#90272u1015 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - President Bush leaves shortly for New York, where he will join more than 70 world leaders for the World Summit for Children at the United Nations. The summit opens this afternoon, and Bush is to address the conference tomorrow. The president also is expected to continue his diplomatic effort to isolate Iraq for invading Kuwait in meetings with some 20 foreign leaders.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas warned today that France will respond firmly if it's proven that Iraq had anything to do with a grenade attack on the cafe used by French citizens in the East African nation of Djibouti. Dumas said in a radio broadcast- ''It is abominable to strike at innocents.'' The attack killed a nine-year- old French boy and injured 17 other people.

In another development, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz met with Jordan's King Hussein today in a closed meeting. Aziz presumably will try to convince the monarch to ease the U- N economic embargo against Iraq. Hussein has been trying to walk a fine line between maintaining friendly relations with his largest trading partner and conceding to international pressure.

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#90272u1108 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - Arab and foreign diplomats say that if Britain and Iran restore diplomatic ties it could help free British hostages held in Lebanon. They add that resumed diplomatic relations between Britain and Iran would make the Tehran government less likely to stand by Iraq and against the West in the Persian Gulf crisis. .

U-S military personnel as well as additional Chinook and Huey helicopters arrived in Saudi Arabia today. And an airman reportedly is recovering from a gunshot wound he suffered Thursday under unspecified circumstances. The unidentified airman is reported in good condition, and military officials say

an investigation is under way.

The World Summit for Children in New York is bringing together the largest gathering ever of world leaders in the hopes of adopting a plan of action to help children. A formal declaration to be adopted at sunset tomorrow will include the ratification of the Convention on the Rights of the Child. .

Pope John Paul sent an open letter to the U-N summit on children today, urging an end to abortion and contraception. Long opposed to artificial birth control the pontiff said- ''The world's children are crying out for more respect for their inalienable individual dignity.''

Bad weather has again postponed the launch of a 30-Million-dollar Delta-2 rocket carrying a costly ''Navstar'' satellite. It's the second delay in as many days. Engineers at Florida's Cape Canaveral Air Force Station will make a third attempt Monday evening to get the 126-foot rocket off the ground.

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#90272u1112 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - The violent protests that have rocked New Delhi and other parts of India during the past few days subsided today. But protesters created a serious water shortage by diverting water supplies. They are angry about a government job quota plan to reserve 27 percent of all central government jobs for members of the so-called ''backward'' classes.

Jews in Israel and throughout the world are celebrating Yom Kippur today, their holiest day. In Israel, everyday life came to a stop at sundown last night. During the traditional 25-hour fast, all businesses, restaurants and places of entertainment are closed and all public transportation stops.

Mormon Church officials say the Soviet government has officially recognized a Mormon Church branch in Leningrad. Recognition comes after more than three years of efforts to expand the church into Russia. The new Leningrad Branch will be part of the Baltic District of the church's Helsinki, Finland, East Mission.

President Bush and his wife, Barbara, were among thousands who watched as a crane lifted the final stone into place atop the Washington Cathedral, more than eight decades after the first stone was laid by President Theodore Roosevelt. The church stands atop Mount St. Alban, the highest point in the nation's capital.

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#90272u1282 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 30) UPI - Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro Saturday presented President Bush with a mounted Soviet-made AK-47 assault rifle once

belonging to the Sandinistas, saying it symbolized the end of the civil war in her country.

''I want to give it to you as a sign of the end of the war and the beginning of our democracy,'' Chamorro said, handing the inoperable weapon to Bush.

''I don't know if you really like it,'' Chamorro said with a laugh.

Bush protested, ''I do, I really do.''

The exchange took place during a picture-taking session at the start of a meeting between the two leaders.

The gun was part of a cache of weapons surrendered by the Sandinistas after Chamorro, an opposition candidate, was elected president Feb. 25. Bush said he will put the gun in a trophy case at Camp David.

Chamorro was one of 20 leaders Bush planned meeting with this weekend at the United Nations.

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#90272u1321 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (SEPT. 30) UPI - A former U.S. adviser to the Salvadoran military testified in the controversial case of six Jesuit priests murdered by members of the armed forces, court sources said Saturday.

The Supreme Court said in a statement Maj. Eric Buckland testified in the home of a U.S. diplomat ''for security reasons.''

No details of his testimony were immediately available.

Buckland, who was called back to the United States early this year, has provided evidence of the Salvadoran military's cover-up of its role in the Nov. 16 slaying of the priests, their housekeeper and her teenage daughter.

U.S. Embassy spokesman Jefferson Brown said Buckland was made available to the court despite diplomatic status that exempted him from testifying.

''The judge thought his testimony was important and we wanted to do everything possible to cooperate in the case,'' Brown said.

Buckland had previously submitted written testimony saying military investigators covered up a direct confession from Col. Guillermo Alfredo Benavides, who is accused of ordering the killings.

Benavides, three lieutenants and four lower-ranking soldiers have been charged with murder.

The priests were top members of San Salvador's Jesuit-run University of Central America and were El Salvador's most respected leftist intellectuals. They were gunned down in their residence by members of an elite U.S.-trained battalion.

Benavides is the highest ranking army officer ever to be charged in a political killing in El Salvador, despite the army's alleged involvement in thousands of such deaths during the decade of civil war with leftist rebels.

More than half of the 72,000 people killed in the conflict have been civilians and thousands of suspected leftists have been executed by death squads believed to be linked to the military.

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#90272u1325 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 30) UPI - President Bush promised to seek duty-free status for Colombia's exports of cut flowers Saturday to help wean its economy away from the illegal drug trade.

During a meeting with Colombian President Cesar Gaviria, Bush announced that cut flowers - Colombia's largest export to the United States - would be targeted for beneficial tariff treatment in trade legislation to be sent to Congress next week.

Announced by Bush early this summer, the legislation would provide preferential treatment for trade from the four Andean countries of Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru just as the Caribbean Basin Initiative has been used to encourage exports from the Caribbean.

For months, Colombian officials have sought concessionary treatment of cut flowers and other products to spur legal exports to the United States. The issue of economic assistance has been entangled, however, in a trade dispute arising from U.S. charges that Colombia has unfairly ''dumped'' cut flowers on the U.S. market at low cost, to the detriment of American producers.

Gaviria, one of more than 20 foreign leaders Bush will meet with during a weekend of diplomacy at the United Nations, welcomed the assurance from Bush as ''the kind of help we are expecting, we are asking for.''

Speaking to reporters after the two met at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, Gaviria said he was satisfied that Colombia would receive the ''special treatment'' warranted for its front-line position in the war on illegal drugs.

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#90272u1378 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - Thousands of demonstrators marched across the river Seine in Paris today to protest French military involvement in the Persian Gulf crisis. The protests coincided with the first deployment of French troops to Saudi Arabia. About 42-hundred French troops are scheduled to arrive in the kingdom by Monday. .

France says it will retaliate if a grenade attack on a cafe used by French nationals in East Africa is connected to Iraq. The attack occurred in Djibouti a former french colony. A nine- year-old French boy died in the blast and 17 others were wounded. French officials did NOT specify what action would be taken if a link is found.

In Panama, a presidential spokesman says unknown gunmen fired shots at the presidential palace early today from a passing car. Local news reports say NO one was hurt in the incident. The spokesman says President Guillermo Endara was in New York for the United Nations summit on children at the time of the attack.

President Bush arrived in New York today for a weekend of personal diplomacy at the United Nations. Bush is to meet with 20 foreign leaders in his continuing diplomatic effort to isolate Iraq for invading Kuwait. Bush also will address the U-N-sponsored World Summit for Children.

Bad weather forced postponement for a second day today of the launch of a 30-Million-dollar Delta-2 rocket carrying a military navigation satellite. The rocket was scheduled to blast off late this afternoon from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station. A third launch attempt is scheduled for Monday.

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#90272u1381 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - Florida officials today told a congressional sub-committee that the Apalachicola Bay's fragile oyster industry could dry up by the diversion of hundreds of Millions of gallons of water for Atlanta. Alabama and Florida have filed a federal suit to stop the diversion, saying it would reduce the freshwater flow into the bay.

Mourners crowded a church at Kingston, Massachusetts, today for the funeral of 13-year-old Melissa Benoit. The teen-ager was found buried in her neighbor's basement on Wednesday. 52-year-old Henry Meinholz Junior, a bookkeeper and church deacon, has been charged in the slaying and ordered to undergo psychiatric testing.

Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin reportedly has been confined to bed after being injured in a traffic accident a week ago. A Soviet newspaper says Yeltsin was more seriously injured than first reported. The paper says the charismatic populist suffered serious bruises, particularly in the hip area.

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#90272u1566 09/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (SEPT. 30) UPI - President Bush met for a little more than an hour Saturday with Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, wrapping up his first day of conferences with world leaders to solidify opposition to Iraq's occupation of Kuwait.

Richard Solomon, assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, said Kaifu extended an invitation to Bush to visit Japan early next year and Bush accepted. No date for the visit was set.

Solomon described the 65-minute discussion as ''wide ranging and dealing with critical issues when the world is in dramatic change.''

Solomon said Bush expressed appreciation to Kaifu for Japan's cooperation during the Persian Gulf crisis. Kaifu, in turn, praised Bush for his ''leadership and courage.''

Solomon said the two leaders also discussed trade issues, particularly the four-year multi-lateral negotiations between the two countries set to end in December.

Bush and Kaifu also discussed some ''interesting changes'' in North Korea and the prospect of normalized relations between the communist country and Japan, Solomon said.

Under questioning, Solomon said China is cooperating with the sanctions against Iraq, despite news reports to the contrary.

The two leaders also discussed Japan's energy situation in light of rising oil prices. Solomon said currently there is no ''supply problem in Japan,'' which imports all of its oil.

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#90272u1641 09/29/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 29) UPI - Iraq says it will NOT withold food from foreigners starting Monday as previously threatened. The Iraqi trade minister says the new rationing card system will ensure basic necessities are distributed equally to Iraqis, Arabs, diplomats and the so-called ''Iraqi guests.'' Iraqi authorities have been rationing bread for weeks, but dwindling food supplies apparently are calling for tougher measures.

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In another development, the Washington Post reports Iraq has a stockpile of biological weapons and that a ''militarily significant number'' of them will

be ready for battlefield use in a few months. The report... quoting intelligence and congressionals officials... adds many U-S troops are equipped with protective suits and gas masks that are NOT adequately effective against biological agents.

The plight of children is the focus of this weekend's World Summit for Children, which opened at the UNited Nations in New York this afternoon. The largest gathering ever of world leaders is discussing what can be done to prevent the deaths of 40-thousand children every day. Chilean President Patricio Aylwin... the first head of state to address the meeting... said- ''The world has a social debt it has to pay to the poorest.''

-30- 1414

#90272u1645 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - The Polish Senate today approved a tough anti-abortion law amid protests from womens' organizations. The final version of the bill would prohibit abortion except when a crime is committed, such as rape or incest, or if the mother's life is in danger. Critics say the measure's passage reflects the Soldarity senators' fears of voting against the Roman Catholic Church in a country that is overwhelmingly Catholic.

Secretary of State Baker met with the Vietnamese deputy prime minister today for the highest-level meeting since the Vietnam War ended in 1973. A senior U-S official describes the meeting as a step toward normalizing U-S-Vietnamese relations. It's also viewed as a sign Washington believes Hanoi is living up to its promise to withdraw completely from Cambodia.

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(SEPT. 30) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

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Montreal	82	76	.519	11	44-33	38-43	2-8	W-1
Philadel.	75	83	.475	18	40-38	35-45	6-4	L-1
Chicago	74	84	.468	19	39-42	35-42	3-7	W-1
St. Louis	70	88	.443	23	34-46	36-42	4-6	L-3
West								
x-Cincinnati	89	69	.563	-	44-33	45-36	6-4	L-2
Los Angeles	84	74	.532	5	45-33	39-41	5-5	L-3
San Fran.	83	75	.525	6	47-29	36-45	7-3	W-6
Houston	73	85	.462	16	48-32	25-53	6-4	W-3
San Diego	73	85	.462	16	37-44	36-41	2-8	W-2
Atlanta	63	95	.399	26	37-43	26-52	4-6	L-4

x-clinched division title.

y-clinched tie for division title.

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#90272u1678 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (SEPT. 30) UPI - President Bush met with six global leaders Saturday in a prelude to his address to the United Nations General Assembly Monday, spotlighting world efforts to stop Iraqi aggression in the Persian Gulf.

As he conducted diplomatic exchanges in New York on the first day of a three-day visit, Bush also kept a close eye on the budget summit negotiations in aimed at averting $100 billion in automatic cuts scheduled to go into affect Monday.

White House Press Secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters there was a good chance that Bush would interrupt his New York sojourn and fly back to Washington Sunday to sign a budget accord if the negotiations yield an agreement.

Bush made tentative plans to hold a formal ceremony hailing the agreeement amid a report from White House Chief of Staff John Sununu that signs were hopeful for an agreement on the budget, which has been the subject of negotiations since May 15th.

Fitzwater said Bush's speech to the U.N. General Assembly Monday will deal with the Persian Gulf situation. He said it picks up on the ''new world order'' theme that Bush has been trumping since the stunning collapse of communism in Europe.

One White House aide said the president should have a ''couple of surprises'' in his remarks on efforts to compel Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw his troops from Kuwait, which was invaded and annexed Aug. 2.

The president arranged to attend church services Sunday and then address the World Summit for Children at the United Nations before an elite audience of some 70 other heads of state.

During a meeting with Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, co- chairman of the children's summit, Bush teased his friend and close ally, asking him whether he ''put the arm on the other heads of state'' to come ot the summit as he did Bush.

Fitzwater said despite reports to the contrary, ''We are very supportive of the goals of the children's summit.'' But he confirmed the United States was

not prepared to sign the U.N. convention on children's rights until it was reviewed. He said there were some conflicts between the convention and state laws, such as the barring of capital punishment for children under 18.

The president has meeting with nine more foreign leader scheduled for Sunday, including one with Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel and dinner with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

During the revoloving door meetings with foreign leaders Saturday, Bush urged Japanese Prime Minster Toshiki Kaifu to speed up the dispersment of $4 billion that Japan has committed to ease the economic burden on front-line countries who are suffering from the gulf crisis. Kaifu also extended an invitation to Bush to visit Japan early next year and Bush accepted. No date for the visit was set.

Bush also met with Lebanese Prime Minister Selim Hoss and assured him the United States ''supports Lebanon's indepence, unity, soverignty, and territorialintergrity,'' Fitzwater said. Bush reaffirmed the the United States is seeking the withdrawl of all foreign forces from Lebanon, referring to Syria and Israel.

Bush emphasized the renewed U.S. contacts with Syria ''would in no way be detrimental to Lebanon.'' Fitzwater said.

In meetings last week with Turkish President Turgut Ozal and Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al Sabah, the emir of Kuwait, Bush heard an assessment of Iraqi forces.

After a two-hour meeting Friday with the emir, Bush said: ''His highness and I reaffirmed our support for the U.N. Security Council resolutions as the means to bring about a peaceful end to the crisis. But ultimately, that is up to Saddam Hussein.''

The emir told Bush that his nation is being destroyed in an Iraqi reign of terror with ''terrifying'' pillaging and looting with its ''population assaulted, incarcerated, intimidated and even murdered.''

Bush said the two leaders agreed that all options must be kept open ''to ensure that Iraq's unlawful occupation in Kuwait is ended and Kuwait's legitimate government is restored.''

But national security adviser Brent Scowcroft said time will be allotted to see if the international embargo against Iraq is effective in forcing Iraq to leave Kuwait.

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#90272u1753 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - Sources say bi-partisan budget negotiators are still in a race against the clock to come up with a deficit-cutting package. Negotiators reportedly are hung up over how much the rich would contribute to the deal. Earlier, sources said Republicans had dropped their demand for a capital gains tax cut in exchange for other economic growth incentives. Without an agreement automatic spending cuts go into effect Monday.

Iraq says it will NOT withold food from foreigners starting Monday as previously threatened. A new food rationing system goes into effect Monday to cope with dwindling food supplies due to the economic embargo against Iraq and Kuwait. The Iraqi trade minister says the new plan will ensure basic necessities are equally distributed to everyone... including so-called ''Iraqi guests.''

Liberian rebel factions battled in the streets of Monrovia today, one day after a cease-fire broke down. Intense firing echoed throughout the capital city as troops loyal to Prince Johnson clashed with government forces. Johnson told U-P-I today that main rebel leader Charles Taylor has attacked his troops twice in the last two days... leaving one of his soldiers dead.

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#90272u1754 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - A 13-year-old girl was buried in Kingston, Massachusetts, today as new reports emerged about the sexual history of the man charged in her death. 52-year-old Henry Meinholz Junior has been ordered to undergo psychiatric testing, and published reports say the church deacon has admitted to molesting children in the past. Benoit was found buried in Meinholz's basement last Wednesday.

Philippine communist rebels today warned President Corazon Aquino against making a ''secret deal'' to extend U-S basing rights in the Philippines. The leftist opposition says such a move would jeopardize efforts to settle a 21-year insurgency. In a separate development, police say unidentified men threw a small homemade bomb at the Philippine office of a Procter and Gamble subsidiary... injuring one person.

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#90272u1970 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - President Bush received an UNusual gift today from Nicaraguan President Violetta Chamorra. Chamorro presented Bush with a Soviet-built A-K-47 assault rifle once belonging to the Sandinistas. Chamorra says the mounted weapon was a sign of the end of her country's war.

Earlier in Washington, President Bush watched the final stone set in place in the Washington Cathedral. Placement of a one-thousand-eight- pound cross atop the cathedral ended an 83-year process taken to construct the massive edifice.

For the second time in as many days, the launch of a Delta-2 rocket was postponed because of poor weather. The rocket now is slated to lift off from Cape Canaveral Monday evening with its 65-Million-dollar satellite payload.

Mourners packed a Kingston, Massachussetts, church today to bid farewell to 13-year-old Melissa Benoit. Benoit's partially clad body was found Wednesday buried in her neighbor's basement. New reports indicate the neighbor has admitted to molesting children in the past.

A Soviet newspaper reports Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin suffered more serious injuries than originally reported in a traffic accident a week ago. The charismatic leader has been confined to bed for 10 days.

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#90272u2098 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - Sunday's midnight deadline looms above congressional budget negotiators as they try to patch together a debt-reduction compromise. A bit of headway was reported last night by sources close to the talks. The sources say Republicans backed off from their demand for reduced capital gains taxes. The G-O-P action was predicated on the Democrat's agreeing to provide another pro-growth incentive in place of slashing capital gains taxes.

A new food rationing system is scheduled to be implemented in Iraq Monday amid shortages caused by U-N-imposed sanctions. Food distribution will be regulated by ration cards, which Iraqi officials say will be given to everyone living in Iraq. Baghdad previously threatened to cut off food to foreigners. But Iraqi officials say food will still be made available to NON-Iraqis.

Court sources in El Salvador today said a former U-S adviser to the Salvadoran military testified in the controversial case of six Jesuit priests allegedly murdered by members of the Salvadoran armed forces. The Supreme Court released a statement, saying Major Eric Buckland testified for ''security reasons.'' Buckland previously has provided evidence the Salvadoran military covered up its role in the slayings.

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#90272u2099 09/29/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 29) UPI - President Bush met with Colombian President Cesar Gaviria in New York today where the two leaders are attending a U-N summit on children. Bush promised he would seek duty-free status for Colombia's export of cut flowers to help wean its economy away from the illegal drug trade. Flowers are Colombia's largest legal export.

President Bush and his wife joined thousands of others today to see the final stone placed in the Washington Cathedral. 83 years after President Theodore

Roosevelt laid the church's first stone, a crane lifted a one-thousand-pound cross-shaped stone into place. Bush called the cathedral ''NOT just a church, but a house of prayer for a nation built on the rock of religious faith.''

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#90273d0170 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRAZZAVILLE (SEPT. 30) - Multi-party politics have been legalised in Congo with immediate effect, officials announced late Sunday.

The announcement followed a special meeting of the central committee of the Congolese Workers Party, hitherto the sole legal party in the West African state.

Any political association or party may henceforth register with the ministry of territorial administration for a "conference of political parties" to be convened next May-June, the officials said.

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#90273d0260 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 30) - A total 52,493 Pakistanis have returned from Kuwait and Iraq since the Gulf crisis began, officials said Sunday, adding that Islamabad would receive one billion dollars in international aid.

There were more than 120,000 Pakistanis in the two countries when Iraq took over Kuwait by force in early August.

A government statement said that of the 52,493 refugees who had returned as of Saturday, about half come back overland via Iran.

Sartaj Aziz, the finance minister, said Sunday that Pakistan would be treated as one of the worst affected countries by the crisis, and would receive one billion dollars in aid from the international community.

He told a press conference that half the money had been promised Pakistan for the next six weeks and that the other half should be available before the end of the fiscal year in June 1991.

He said donors included Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Japan and the European Economic Community.

Pakistan, which has sent troops to Saudi Arabia, has suffered greatly from the rise in oil prices. More than half its imports came from Kuwait at a preferential cost of 17 dollars per barrel.

The return of tens of thousands of Pakistani workers has also meant a heavy loss in foreign exchange remittances and is likely to increase the number of

unemployed.

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#90273d0310 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT. 30) - More than 70 world leaders attended the first World Summit for Children Sunday and pledged to improve life for poor children throughout the world.

Malian President Moussa Traore, looking regal in a blue-and-gold traditional African robe, opened the meeting, thanking U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar for hosting the summit, which also drew 69 foreign ministers as observers.

In a welcoming speech, Mr. Perez de Cuellar said: "This world summit represents a commitment at the highest level to build a world order that will guard what is the most precious resource of the human race, its children."

Held at the initiative of Canada, Egypt, Mali, Mexico, Pakistan and Sweden, the summit was organized by the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) at a cost of three million dollars.

Participants are scheduled to adopt a five-page declaration and action plan on the survival, protection and development of children. UNICEF estimates that the plan will cost five billion dollars annually over the next decade.

It sets out specific goals that world leaders hope to meet by the end of the century. These objectives include the eradication of polio, halving the maternal mortality rate, a 50-per-cent reduction of child deaths caused by diarrhea, and a 90-per-cent reduction in measles cases.

Earlier, Mr. Traore and Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, the co-chairman of the summit, joined British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher,

Japanese Premier Toshiki Kaifu, exiled Kuwaiti emir Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro, Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani, U.S. President George Bush, and other African and Arab leaders for a traditional group photo.

According to U.N. figures, some 14 million children under the age of five die every year from the combined effects of malnutrition and preventable diseases.

Mr. Mulroney noted that "many problems that children face can be solved readily and at a modest cost."

Mr. Bush, in his address, said: "Saving one child is a miracle. As world leaders, we can realize such miracles -- and count them in the millions."

Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni, whose country is being ravaged by AIDS,

noted in his speech that "the children of Africa are amongst the most vulnerable in the world. Twenty-one out of the 30 countries with the highest under-five mortality rate are in Africa."

He appealed to all world leaders present "to support Africa's efforts so that the survival and development of her children can be secured."

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, who did not attend the summit, sent a communique addressed to "my dear junior citizens of the world" in which he appealed to children "to learn the skill of living in harmony."

Encouraging them to take part in "a new world order," the Soviet leader said that "all of us shall have to work hard to get rid of the ills inherited from the past," such as resolving controversies by force, environmental pollution, and poverty.

UNICEF officials also hope that during the summit more countries will ratify the Convention on the Rights of the Child, which was unanimously adopted by the General Assembly last November and came into force September 2, when it was ratified by the necessary 20 countries.

Some 126 countries have signed the convention -- 13 of them did it Sunday -- and another 49 have ratified it.

The United States has not signed the convention. American conservatives have criticized the convention for failing to condemn abortion and for opposing the death penalty for people under 18 years of age. Some U.S. states allow the execution of minors.

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#90273d0490 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (SEPT. 30) - The Soviet economy needs a massive injection of "10 to 12 million dollars at the minimum" to pay for consumer goods in order to prime the transition to a market economy, according to Nikolai Petrakov, an economic adviser to President Mikhail Gorbachev.

In an interview appearing Monday in the financial daily La Tribune de l'Expansion, Mr. Petrakov also said the Soviet president will issue a decree "in a few days" authorising the creation of completely foreign-owned subsidiaries in the Soviet Union.

The system for creating joint ventures, which has so far been excessively bureaucratic, will be modified, as will the fiscal system, Mr. Petrakov said.

A solution to the problem of repatriating capital will also be found, he said,

without stating precisely how this will be achieved, and the exchange rate for the ruble "will be modified later."

The ruble is not convertible into other currencies, a major factor in limiting foreign investment since investors are unable to take their profits out of the country in the form of cash.

Mr. Gorbachev has just been granted extraordinary powers to speed the transition to a market economy, but Mr. Petrakov said the process could not begin while stores remain empty.

"To begin the market, we need a massive injection of all kinds of consumer goods," Mr. Petrakov said. "Several people -- banks, government and businesses -- have already offered us loans for that. We need 10 to 12 billion dollars at the minimum."

To make the transition to a market economy, Mr. Petrakov said the Soviet Union had to "break the monopolistic structures" of the ministries, transform large industries into private share-owned businesses, privatise smaller businesses and open the economy to international competition.

Mr. Petrakov also said he had prepared "a kind of black envelope" for Mr. Gorbachev containing advice on very strict and concrete measures to be taken immediately in case of unexpected difficulties.

"All the scenarios, even the most negative, have been foreseen. Whatever happens, we will not caught unprepared," he said.

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#90273d0800 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (SEPT. 30) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on Sunday appeared to back away slightly from previous threats and hardline declarations and pronounced himself ready for a dialogue with all parties to the Gulf crisis.

"We must encourage any foreign initiative, including that which comes from those implicated in the concentration of fleets (in the Gulf region)," he said in a televised address to mark the birthday of the prophet Mohammad.

He also spoke positively of a three-point plan for the Gulf put forward at the United Nations General Assembly last Monday by French President Francois Mitterrand and said Iraq was in contact with the French government to explain its position.

The speech was different in tone from remarks September 23 in which he vowed to destroy Saudi Arabia and Israel if Iraq were attacked by the United States.

But the apparent overtures could also be a ploy to gain time, as Mr. Hussein

repeated his determination to hold on to Kuwait -- which Iraqi troops seized August 2 -- in defiance of repeated international demands for an immediate and unconditional withdrawal.

"One of the most important considerations for Iraq, and one on which Iraq will never compromise, is that we must not return to the situation before August 2 " he declared Sunday.

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#90273d1030 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (SEPT. 30) - The Colombian Government Sunday held peace talks with Maoist rebels from the Popular Liberation Army (EPL), touching on issues such as politics, development, violence and human rights, officials said.

The main issues were naming 20 EPL members to act as go-betweens with the government, and the setting up of three committees to explore proposals discussed by the negotiating committee.

The EPL and government have been engaged in peace talks for the past six months. They are trying to reach an agreement similar to the one the government and M-19 rebels signed in March which turned that guerrilla movement into a political party.

So far, the peace talks have allowed the EPL to station units in 10 camps in the provinces of Antioquia, Bolivar, Cordoba, Caldas and Putumayo.

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#90273d8150 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (SEPT. 30) - Pakistan's ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto appeared before a special court here Sunday to answer charges of corruption, telling journalists before entering that she disputed the court's jurisdiction.

"We do not recognize the jurisdiction of special courts because they do not fulfill certain conditions required internationally and even by our own judicial system," Ms. Bhutto said.

Ms. Bhutto is charged here with committing irregularities in alloting a cotton contract to a private firm and appointing a consultant to a power project funded by the Asian Development Bank.

She is facing similar charges in two cases pending before another special court in Lahore, which has ordered her to appear before it on Tuesday and on October 9.

If convicted, she is liable to be disqualified from participating in the elections and barred from politics for seven years.

Hundreds of supporters chanted "long live prime minister Bhutto" outside the court premises as she attended the session, accompanied by her husband Asif Ali Zardari and a panel of lawyers.

Smiling and looking confident, Ms. Bhutto, 37, remained silent during the nearly two-hour court session, witnesses said. The court adjourned until October 10.

Her chief counsel, Yahya Bakhtiar, who also served as attorney-general during Ms. Bhutto's 20-month rule, said she had appeared out of respect for the judiciary although it did not signify her "recognition" of the special tribunal.

The court is one of the 11 set up by the interim government to try and sentence former members of Ms. Bhutto's government, which ended when President Ghulam Ishaq Khan fired her and dissolved parliament August 6, levelling charges of corruption, mismanagement and abuse of power.

Mr. Ishaq Khan subsequently called for general elections on October 24 and installed Ms. Bhutto's former parliamentary opposition leader, Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi, as caretaker prime minister until the elections.

In a statement to the one-judge court, Mr. Bakhtiar questioned the president's use of discretionary powers and called his intentions in subjecting only one side to accusations and trial "malafide and discriminatory".

He said Ms. Bhutto had come to the court although she had not received a summons, and said he had received no documents relating to the cases. The judge ordered that the documents be provided.

Ms. Bhutto told journalists she had decided to appear in court, reversing an earlier stance, to focus attention on how the leader of the largest political party "is being called from court to court".

"I came here to make this point before the judge and I have nothing against him," she said.

"Only leaders of her Pakistan People's Party (PPP) are being dragged into cases" instituted to "keep us tied down and prevent us from campaigning for the October 24 elections," she added.

She charged Mr. Ishaq Khan with taking part in the proceedings against her rather than maintaining neutrality and said the caretaker government had no intention of holding fair polls.

Ms. Bhutto wore traditional dress and a Moslem talisman used to ward off evil during a difficult task or journey.

Justice Wajihuddin Ahmed, who subpoenaed Ms. Bhutto in two cases, said the respondent "is being and will be treated as innocent unless proved otherwise," adding that the burden of proof rested with Mr. Ishaq Khan and his counsel.

The PPP leader is to begin the second leg of a massive election campaign Monday by addressing rallies at three places in populous Punjab province.

The elections are widely expected to be a close race between the PPP and the eight-party Islamic Democratic Alliance (IJI), which controls the interim federal government and that of the four provinces.

In 1988 elections following the death of military ruler Mohammed Zia ul-Haq in a plane crash, the PPP emerged as the largest single group in the 237-member National Assembly, with the IJI close behind.

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#90273d8180 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (SEPT. 30) - China said Sunday it welcomed the possibility of normalized ties with the European Economic Community (EEC).

Italian Foreign Minister and EEC President Gianni de Michelis told a news conference Friday in New York that he would advise his EEC colleagues to normalize ties with China in light of domestic and international developments.

"We welcome this expression by the EEC of its hope to normalize its relations with China as soon as possible," a foreign ministry spokesman said.

The EEC imposed a series of political and economic sanctions against Beijing after its bloody crackdown on pro-democracy protests here in June, 1989.

"It is our hope that with the joint efforts of the two sides, the relations between China and the EEC states will be improved and developed promptly," the spokesman added.

Observers said Beijing's recent cooperation in international efforts to resolve the Cambodian conflict and the Gulf crisis had encouraged the EEC to soften its stance.

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#90273d8190 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (SEPT. 30) - Two soldiers and 10 rebels were killed in two separate clashes between Kurdish separatist guerillas and government troops in southeastern Turkey over the past two days, semi-official Anatolian News Agency said Sunday.

In the first clash on Friday in Gaziantep province, government troops surprised guerrillas of the Kurdish Workers' Party (Pkk) and killed eight, the agency said.

A day later, an officer, a non-commissioned officer and two guerrillas of the Pkk were killed in another clash in Van province, the agency said.

Pkk has been is waging a guerrilla war for over six years for independence for Turkey's estimated nine million Kurds.

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#90273d8200 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (SEPT. 30) - U.S. and British navy personnel stopped and searched an Indian freighter in the Gulf on Sunday in what London Defence Ministry officials said was the first action of its kind during the current crisis involving the British military.

The freighter ''Av akebar'' had carried humanitarian aid material to Iraq and was returning to India with 1,700 refugees on board. It had no goods from Iraq on board, said the ministry.

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#90273d8250 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT, West Germany (SEPT 30) - The West German Bundesbank, in a bid to one-up counterfeiters, will start introducing new Deutsche Mark notes on Monday, two days before German reunification.

Notes of 100 and 200 marks -- the latter denomination being printed for the first time -- will be the first to leave the central bank presses.

Five-mark notes (3.2 dollars), as well as 10, 20, 50, 500, and 1000-mark (640 dollars) notes are to be replaced by the end of 1992.

The blue-greenish 100-mark note carries an effigy of German pianist Clara Schumann, while German chemist Paul Ehrlich adorns the orange-yellow 200-mark note.

"The Deutsche mark is a very attractive and very safe currency, in the sense that it resists well to inflation", Guenter Storch of the Bundesbank board of directors said, adding that the switch was primarily aimed at making Deutsche mark notes safe against fakes.

The West German police sees color photocopiers as the biggest threat to the currency.

While color photocopiers were practically unknown in West Germany in 1987,

"false bank notes from photocopy machines made up 9.3 per cent of all counterfeit notes only two years later", Horst Burgermeister of the Federal Office of Criminal Investigation at Wiesbaden, central Germany, said.

New bank notes will carry a shiny metallic filament that will turn black on a photocopied note.

At 0.25 marks (0.16 dollars) a note, the new bills will be slightly more expensive than the old ones that were introduced in the 1960's but an alarming increase of counterfeit notes over the past three years seems to be worth the money.

Police officials seemed positive that international counterfeiters -- doing business mostly in Italy -- will ultimately turn away from the Deutsche mark to easier prey such as the U.S. dollar.

But officials fear that East Germans who have only fingered Deutsche marks since they were introduced in soon-to-vanish East Germany on July 2 may become soft targets for counterfeiters seeking to rid themselves of surplus stocks of false Deutsche marks.

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#90273d8270 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (SEPT. 30) - For the first time since its establishment in March 1917, the Soviet government newspaper Izvestia failed to appear Sunday due to a newsprint shortage.

Radio Moscow said the newspaper, with its circulation of around 10 million copies, was to be distributed in the Soviet capital on Monday and around the rest of the country a day later.

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#90273d8740 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG, West Germany (SEPT. 30) - Ruling Christian Democratic Union (CDU) parties from East and West Germany will merge at a two-day congress here Monday, two days before the formal unification of the two countries.

The merger of the conservative party whose western chairman, Chancellor Helmut Kohl, has been the driving force in the rapid unification process will boost membership to nearly 900,000 -- 670,000 in the West and 200,000 in the East.

At an early meeting Monday, Mr. Kohl's CDU will amend its statutes, paving the way for formal unification.

Six regional federations from East Berlin and the five future federal states in East Germany will later join the congress.

On October 22, the united party is to adopt a platform outlining party politics ahead of the December 2 all-German election, which Mr. Kohl is tipped to win.

Mr. Kohl, western CDU head since 1973, will become the re-united Germany's first chancellor on Wednesday.

His leadership before the dramatic changes in East Germany that led to the ouster of the hardline communist regime had been disputed increasingly within party ranks and top party officials had sought to challenge him in a party vote.

But grasping the opportunity of rapid unification after Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev gave up initial resistance to a united Germany, Mr. Kohl's position firmed.

East German CDU leader Lothar de Maiziere will become deputy chairman at the unification congress here. The post was especially created for the East German prime minister, elected only last April, whose terms ends with German unification at midnight Tuesday.

Mr. de Maiziere has said the united CDU will have to give more weight to social issues in a future party platform.

Protestants will gain more influence in the party because East Germany is a mainly Protestant nation, while protestants and Roman Catholics are equally represented in West Germany, Mr. de Maiziere said in an interview with the weekly Bild am Sonntag.

He also predicted a long "learning process" before the two parties really become one and said the party must scrap derogatory terms such as "Ossies" when speaking of East Germans.

The CDU was founded after World War II and became a dominant force in West German politics under the late chancellor Konrad Adenauer.

But in the Soviet-occupied East, the party was made to cooperate closely with the ruling Socialist Unity Party (SED) during its 40-year existence.

Until the downfall of the hardline leadership last year, the East German CDU was one of four non-communist puppet parties designed to keep up a semblance of democracy in the Stalinist regime.

Mr. de Maiziere took over the eastern party after the resignation of its disgraced leadership following last year's anti-communist demonstrations.

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#90273d8760 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAMMU, India (SEPT. 30) - At least 12 people, including seven Moslem militants fighting for independence in India's northern state of Jammu and Kashmir, were killed in violence here at the weekend, police said Sunday.

Four militants were shot dead in a fierce gunbattle early Sunday as they tried to cross from Pakistan to a village in India-controlled Kashmir, a police spokesman said.

He said two policemen from the paramilitary Central Reserve Police Force died in a clash with militants in Sopore in the Kashmir valley late Saturday. Three militants were also killed.

Another constable from the Kashmir police and two civilians were also killed by militants fighting for independence from New Delhi.

Meanwhile a work stoppage by some 170,000 state employees in Jammu and Kashmir entered its 16th day Sunday with no solution in sight.

Strikers are demanding that the government reinstate five dismissed senior officials.

They also want the government to take no action against colleagues who complained to human rights organisations and the United Nations of alleged excesses by security forces in the state.

More than 1,645 people have died this year in violence linked to the separatist campaign.

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#90273d8780 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (SEPT. 30) - President George Bush will visit five South American countries December 2-8, U.S. officials said.

Mr. Bush will visit Brazil, Uruguay, Argentina, Chile and Venezuela, the officials said Saturday in New York, where the president was scheduled to remain until Monday to address the U.N. General Assembly.

The exact dates of the visits were not disclosed.

The president will also visit Mexico at the end of November for talks with Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari on a proposed bilateral trade agreement, U.S. officials said.

That visit has been tentatively scheduled for November 28-29.

Mr. Bush had been scheduled to visit South America in late September, but the trip was postponed because of budget negotiations between the White House and Congress.

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#90273d8820 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (SEPT. 30) - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir issued a new warning here Sunday against an attack on Israel, saying the use of force against his country would be a "terrible mistake."

"These days we hear threats in the Middle East against the security and existence of the state of Israel," Mr. Shamir said at a ceremony for soldiers killed in the October 1973 Arab-Israeli war.

"We hope these threats will not be put into execution. But if anyone tries to hit Israel, he will very quickly realize his terrible mistake," he said. "It's time Arab leaders understand using force against Israel is of no use."

The Israeli premier was apparently referring to recent threats by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

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#90273d8900 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (SEPT. 30) - Tens of thousands of people on Sunday demonstrated their support for the Lebanese Christian military leader, General Michel Aoun,

and their opposition to a blockade imposed by Syrian-backed President Elias Hrawi.

The rally was held at the Baabda presidential palace where Gen. Aoun has his headquarters. Organizers put the crowd at 200,000 but there was no independent confirmation.

Since Friday, Mr. Hrawi's troops have imposed a blockade of the Metn, a 300-square-kilometre (120-sq.-mile) region controlled by the general that stretches northeast of Beirut.

The road leading to Baabda, dubbed the "people's palace" by supporters of Gen. Aoun, was filled with cars and buses provided by organizers of the rally.

"Your presence today is the greatest challenge to those encircling us," he told the crowd. "We are battling for Lebanon's sovereignty against a government that represents foreign interests and wants to eliminate its people."

The crowd reacted with cries of, "With our blood, with our soul, we will

defend you, general."

Gen. Aoun refuses to recognize the Syrian-backed president, who was elected last November under an Arab peace plan. The general has rejected the plan because it failed to call for the withdrawal of Syrian troops in Lebanon.

Syrian President Hafez al-Assad met Mr. Hrawi for more than four hours Saturday in Damascus to discuss the Lebanese government's efforts to extend its authority throughout the country.

A presidential spokeswoman in Beirut indicated the two leaders were examining the possibility of a military operation against Gen. Aoun.

Mr. Hrawi's army surrounded the Christian region controlled by Gen. Aoun overnight Thursday, stopping all traffic except vehicles belonging to members of parliament, diplomats and Red Cross workers.

The blockade has caused fuel shortages and has led to a run on food in the Christian region. Political observers said the latest showdown could settle the fate of Gen. Aoun or President Hrawi's administration.

-30- 2269

#90273d8970 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OLONGAPO, Philippines (SEPT. 30) - Filipino workers in all U.S. military bases in the Philippines staged a strike Sunday to protest alleged U.S. violation of a wage agreement with the workers' union, labor leaders said.

Primo Galvez, an official of a federation of Filipino base workers representing 22,000 Filipinos, said the strike was aimed at protesting Washington's 1990 general appropriations act, which provides only a 3.5 per cent wage increase.

He said a base labor agreement signed in 1968 provided that Filipino base workers are entitled to wage increases equal to the average given to workers of the Philippines' top 36 corporations.

Salary increases are granted to base workers every October, Mr. Galvez said, adding that Filipino base workers were entitled to an 18 per cent rise this year.

"We just want the U.S. authorities to implement the base labor agreement," Mr. Galvez said, adding that workers in Clark Air Base and Subic Naval Base, the two largest overseas U.S. bases, are picketing the base gates.

"We will continue our strike until our demands are met," he added.

U.S. ambassador to the Philippines Nicholas Platt has said U.S. authorities

were seeking an exemption on salary hike caps for Filipino workers.

-30- 1449

#90273d9250 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (SEPT. 30) - The Afghan guerrilla resistance Sunday stepped up its rocket attacks on the capital Kabul, killing or wounding at least 36 people, official Radio Kabul said.

A rocket explosion killed at least 10 people in one section of Kabul, the radio said in a report monitored here.

A spokesman for the Soviet-backed Afghan government earlier reported aerial raids Sunday on mujahedeen resistance positions outside the city.

He said Soviet-made MiG-21 aircraft had destroyed at least 70 resistance vehicles carrying arms and ammunition in Logar province, south of Kabul.

Afghan ground forces also stepped up operations and artillery strikes north, east and west of Kabul, the spokesman said.

-30- 910

#90273d9440 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (SEPT. 30) - The Soviet Union and Israel have agreed to restore consular relations, their foreign ministers announced here Sunday.

-30- 336

#90273d9470 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONROVIA (SEPT. 30) - A fragile eight-day ceasefire in this Liberian capital was broken Sunday when fighting broke out between rebels and the presidential guard, according to Agence France-Presse journalists on the scene.

They said that the guard and rebels of Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) exchanged rifle and machine-gun fire.

The journalists said that at mid-afternoon (1430 GMT) mortar fire was also heard less than 500 metres from the presidential palace where the guard, supporters of the late President Samuel Doe, was holding out.

A ceasefire was declared unilaterally by the NPFL in Monrovia on September 22. But it was respected for most of the week by the government troops. The two sides were often seen fraternising over the last few days.

Gunfire was also heard on Friday but there were no reports of violence on Saturday.

The cause of the latest fighting was not clear. Some NPFL rebels accused the presidential guard of breaking the ceasefire.

They said the guard was caught in the middle between the NPFL rebels on one side, and on the other by a splinter rebel group led by Prince Johnson and by the peace-keeping force of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS).

Other NPFL rebels said the NPFL had asked the guard to let them through so they could attack the splinter rebel group and the peace-keeping force. When the guards refused, the NPFL rebels tried to break through, they said.

-30- 1671

#90273d9480 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (SEPT. 30) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Sunday appealed for a dialogue with all parties to the Gulf crisis, including the United States, to reach "a just and comprehensive solution."

"We must encourage any foreign initiative, including that which comes from those who are implicated in the concentration of fleets (in the Gulf region)," Mr. Hussein said in a televised message marking the birth of the prophet Mohammad.

He made specific reference to a plan put forward last week by French President Francois Mitterrand.

-30- 723

#90273d9920 09/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (SEPT. 30) - The Mozambican rebel Renamo movement said here at the weekend that it would not resume negotiations with the government until about 35,000 Zimbabwean soldiers leave Mozambique.

The statement was made Saturday by Manuel Frank, representative of the Mozambican National Resistance (Renamo) in the Portuguese capital.

The Zimbabwean troops are helping the government resist the rebels, who have been fighting a murderous guerrilla campaign since Mozambique became independent in 1975.

"If we return to the negotiating table, that means that the Maputo authorities have made a concession, and that they have ordered the retreat of the Zimbabweans and other foreigners in Mozambique," Mr. Frank said.

On Thursday, President Joaquim Chissano said in New York that he was ready to resume peace talks with Renamo in October.

There have so far been two rounds of talks between the two sides in Rome, sponsored by the Catholic Community of Sant'Egidio.

Renamo refused to take part in a third round of talks scheduled for September 18 in Rome, because of what it called an intensification of a government offensive against the rebels in the central province of Zambezia.

It said the offensive was backed by the Zimbabwean forces.

President Chissano subsequently said the Zimbabwean troops might be withdrawn if Renamo showed itself willing to discuss a cease-fire. "The Zimbabweans did not come to stay," he said.

-30- 1654

#90273e0007 09/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NEW YORK (SEPT. 30) EFE - Spanish Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez is to ask U.S. President George Bush for financial help for war-devastated Central America when they meet Sunday in New York.

Spanish Foreign Minister Francisco Fernandez Ordonez told reporters Saturday that Central America had been seriously affected by the Gulf crisis.

He said Gonzalez would urge Bush to lend assistance to the region, already crippled by civil wars and guerrilla insurgencies, to repair their economies.

Gonzalez's Socialist government has often highlighted Central and South American countries' problems before the international community and helped draw attention to their pleas for aid.

Fernandez Ordonez also spoke with reporters about Gonzalez's meeting Saturday with United Nations General Secretary Javier Perez de Cuellar.

Perez de Cuellar and the prime minister, who are in New York for the United Nations World Summit for Children, agreed that U.N. resolutions were the best way to solve the Gulf crisis sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Gonzalez also met in New York with Argentine President Carlos Menem with whom he discussed bilateral relations between Madrid and Buenos Aires and the crisis in the Gulf.

The Spanish Prime Minister held talks Saturday with Brazilian President Collor de Mello and Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez with whom he also discussed the consequences of the Gulf crisis.

During his meeting with Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro, Gonzalez was briefed on the economic and political crisis the Managua government currently faces.

Madrid's prime minister also spoke to Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari about preparations for annual meetings between Latin American leaders.

-30- 1955

#90273e0010 09/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (SEPT. 30) EFE - Three Palestinians were killed and over 30 others were wounded in clashes in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip this weekend, Radio Israel reported Sunday.

Israeli police Sunday killed a Palestinian activist and wounded 21 others in the West Bank village of Jammain in the most serious clash over the last three months.

In the northern West Bank town of Jenin and the southern Gaza Strip town of Rafah, Palestinian militants shot dead two men suspected of collaborating with Israeli authorities.

The latest deaths bring to over 280 the number of Palestinians killed for allegedly collaborating with the Israeli Army since the uprising or "intifada" began in the Occupied Territories nearly three years ago.

Other incidents included a violent clash Saturday between 100 Arab militants and police in Jerusalem. Three Palestinians were wounded, according to Palestinian sources.

The sources added that seven Arabs, including a 9-year-old child, were wounded in clashes in other West Bank towns.

-30- 1226

#90273e0015 09/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

AMMAN (SEPT. 30) EFE - Jordan plans to introduce measures shortly to stem a new expected influx of thousands of refugees from Iraq and Kuwait following reports that foreigners there may be refused food rationing cards, Interior Ministry Secretary General Salameh Hammad said Sunday.

+I am afraid I will have to ask the government to adopt the necessary measures to ensure that the number of (refugee) arrivals does not surpass the number of evacuations,+ said Hammad, Jordan's chief coordinator in the refugee operations.

Since the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, at least 640,000 foreign nationals have fled the two countries to temporary refugee camps in neighboring Jordan.

He said that in the past few days there had been a noticeable increase in the

number of refugees coming into Jordan to await repatriation.

An estimated 43,000 are currently sheltered in the camps but Hammad said any new influx may be catastrophic given the expected deterioration of conditions with the coming of winter.

The new measures would have to be taken +given that there are nearly two million people of different nationalities still in Iraq and Kuwait and that winter is approaching and the rains may start at any moment+.

Jordan, he said, feared that reports that Iraq would prohibit food rationing cards to foreigners could trigger a new major flood of refugees.

Criticizing the distribution of the financial aid sent to the country, Hammad said that of the estimated dlrs 100 million spent so far, only dlrs 800,000 had been handed to local Jordanian authorities, making coordination operations more difficult.

While praising the international financial efforts to help alleviate the refugee crisis, he hit out at the fact that the funds were going to the African and Asian countries whose citizens made up a majority of the refugees, and not to Jordan which was bearing the brunt of the crisis.

+The volume of aid is insufficient,+ said Hammad, adding that Jordan had forked out some dlrs 40 million so far in camp equipment, water and electricity supplies, and other services.

He said Jordan, meanwhile, hoped to draw up a new emergency plan in conjunction with international organizations which would allow for 150,000 refugees to be accommodated and which would ensure their evacuation within a specified time limit.

-30- 2547

#90273p9713 09/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - At 6:15 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 28, 1990, Sunbeam-Oster, a company formed by Japonica Partners, a New York and Rhode Island-based investment firm, acquired all of the assets of Allegheny International (NYSE: AG) and its subsidiaries. The name Sunbeam-Oster was chosen for the new company because it best reflects its global consumer products franchise.

Sunbeam-Oster, headquartered here, is emerging with a strong balance sheet, having approximately $250 million in equity, and only $110 million in acquisition debt financing. Sunbeam-Oster will have annual sales of more than $1.0 billion.

Sunbeam-Oster's two operating units are Sunbeam Americas Holdings Limited

("SAHL") and Oster-Sunbeam J.V. ("O/S J.V."). SAHL's autonomous major business units include: Sunbeam Leisure (outdoor and indoor barbecue grills and accessories), Sunbeam-Northern (warming/heating sensor blankets and warmers and a wide variety of home health and personal care products), Professional Products (personal and professional electric clippers and animal grooming products, including Stewart-Oster clippers), Sunbeam Casual Furniture (lawn and patio furniture and related products), Sunbeam Canada (multiple consumer products), Springfield Instrument (temperature and weather measuring instruments and a wide selection of clocks), Hanson Scale (personal and professional scales and health care monitors , and Sunbeam Intercontinental (multiple consumer products).

O/S J.V.'s major business units include: kitchen and personal care products in the United States, Mexico, Venezuela and Peru. Its best known product lines include: Oster Kitchen Centers, Osterizer blenders, Oster Designer line products, Sunbeam Mixmasters, Sunbeam steam and Spray Mist irons, Oskar food processors and Sunbeam toasters.

A Japonica Partners general partner, Paul B. Kazarian, has been named Chairman and Managing Director of Sunbeam-Oster Company, Inc. Thomas C. Welch will head up the Seasonal Products Group and David T. McGoldrick will head up the Small Household Appliance Group.

There will be no trading in the common stock of Sunbeam-Oster until after the conclusion of the 45-day election period during which creditors and shareholders of Allegheny International and its subsidiaries will have the right to choose to receive either common stock of Sunbeam-Oster or cash.

Allegheny International's former creditors and shareholders shortly will be receiving further information from Sunbeam-Oster.

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#90273u0046 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 30) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE U.S.A.:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	73	51	.06
Anchorage sn	49	44	....
Asheville sh	76	55	....
Atlanta sh	80	64	....
Baltimore ts	81	58	....
Billings sy	73	35	....
Birmingham cy	87	64	....
Bismarck mc	50	36	....
Boston pc	80	61	....

Brownsville pc	93	68	....
Buffalo rn	69	59	.14
Burlington Vt. rn	64	55	.01
Charleston S.C. ts	79	71	....
Charlotte pc	83	58	....
Chicago pc	65	53	....
Cincinnati sh	81	65	.42
Cleveland r	67	61	.33
Columbus Ohio sh	75	58	....
Dallas cy	92	66	....
Denver pc	59	49	.03
Des Moines f	57	52	.04
Detroit sh	68	55	.03
Duluth cy	52	38	.10
El Paso cy	84	61	....
Evansville pc	75	63	....
Fargo mc	60	37	.02
Hartford pc	81	60	....
Honolulu pc	89	75	....
Houston pc	92	62	....
Indianapolis pc	71	62	.05
Jackson Miss. mc	90	60	....
Jacksonville sh	83	70	.52
Kansas City sy	63	52	.08
Las Vegas pc	86	61	....
Little Rock pc	85	67	....
Los Angeles pc	77	65	....
Louisville ts	85	66	....
Memphis cy	90	62	....
Miami Beach ts	83	74	.22
Milwaukee pc	61	54	.04
Minneapolis pc	62	41	....
Nashville r	89	63	....
New Orleans pc	85	66	....
New York mc	78	61	....
Oklahoma City mc	78	61	.03
Omaha sy	59	52	....
Orlando sh	86	70	1.05
Philadelphia sh	79	60	....
Phoenix pc	93	69	....
Pittsburgh sh	75	57	....
Portland Me. sh	71	50	....
Portland Ore. sy	77	57	....
Providence pc	77	60	....
Richmond ts	82	56	....
St. Louis pc	74	64	....
Salt Lake City f	76	48	....
San Antonio pc	89	62	....

San Diego pc	73	64	....
San Francisco pc	78	57	....
San Juan pc	92	78	.05
Seattle pc	69	51	....
Spokane sy	80	50	....
Tampa sh	89	72	1.09
Washington ts	79	62	....
Wichita pc	65	59	.17

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

pc-partly cloudy

mc-mostly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

-30- 2710

#90273u0091 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 30) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Auto racing
North Wilkesboro, N.C. - NASCAR Holly Farms 400

Baseball

American League
Baltimore at Cleveland, 2, 1:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 1:35 p.m.
Toronto at Boston, 1:35 p.m.
New York at Milwaukee, 2:35 p.m.
Seattle at Chicago, 2:35 p.m.
Oakland at Texas, 3:05 p.m.
Kansas City at California, 4:05 p.m.

National League
Chicago at New York, 1:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at Montreal, 1:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 2:15 p.m.
San Diego at Cincinnati, 2:15 p.m.
Atlanta at Houston, 2:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Francisco, 3:35 p.m.

Football
Dallas at NY Giants, 1 p.m.
Denver at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Miami at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
NY Jets at New England, 1 p.n.
Green Bay at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Tampa at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Kansas City, 4 p.m.
Houston at San Diego, 4 p.m.
Chicago at LA Raiders, 4 p.m.
Washington at Phoenix, 8 p.m.

Games
Beijing - Asian Games

Golf
Columbus, Ga. - PGA $600,000 Southern Open
Sugar Land, Texas - LPGA $400,000 Breathless Houston Championship

Tennis
Basel, Switzerland - $500,000 Swiss Indoors
Brisbane, Australia - $280,000 Queensland Open.
Estoril, Portugal - $100,000 Estoril Open
Palermo, Sicily - $350,000 International Championsips of Sicily

-30- 1493

#90273u0126 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 30) UPI - An optimistic source at the bipartisan budget talks in Washington says the two sides are close to an agreement Saturday night. The hint of a positive resolution comes more than four months after White House and congressional negotiators sat down to try to reach a compromise debt-reduction package. The tentative package includes a hike in the gas tax and other energy taxes and a 10-percent rise in taxes on luxury items.

President Bush spent about one hour Saturday with his Japanese counterpart in New York. The meeting with Prime Minister Kaifu wrapped up a busy day of meetings for Bush, who is seeking to solidify the international community's isolation of Iraq. An aide to the president said the discussion between the two men was ''wide ranging.'' He also said Bush accepted an invitation to travel to Japan next year.

Radio reports from Yugoslavia say militant Serbs overpowered police in four stations in the Croatian republic and stole weapons late Saturday. The action takes place as ethnic Serbs argue they are subject to discrimination. Serbs... who make up a majority of Yugoslavia's population but are a minority in Croatia... have staged riots recently to voice their concerns.

A daylong debate is slated to begin Sunday morning at the U-N World Summit for Children in New York. The conference opened Saturday as an UNprecedented number of government heads arrived in the Big Apple to chart possible ways to lessen the suffering among the world's children. The U-N Children's Fund says many young deaths are caused by a lack of medicines that cost as little as several U-S cents a dose.

-30- 1793

#90273u0131 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 30) UPI - Church leaders in Fernandina Beach, Florida, say they'll back the Nassau County school board in its legal fight over a teacher's 30-year tradition of reading Bible stories to her fifth-grade students. The board voted unanimously this week to support teacher Martha Mitchell against the protests of one student's parents. The board's lawyer has warned the readings clearly violate the constitutional separation of church and state.

The Press Trust of India reports a group of legislators are calling for Prime Minister V-P Singh's resignation... accusing him of mismanaging the nation's affairs. The report came as violent protests that have rocked New Delhi during the past few days subsided. Demonstrators have been protesting a government job quota plan that would reserve 27 percent of federal jobs for the so-called backward classes.

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#90273u0147 09/30/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 30) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Dascenzo cf	5	0	1	2	Miller lf	4	0	1	0
Sandberg 2b	3	0	1	0	Herr 2b	4	0	1	0
Grace 1b	4	0	1	0	Hughes lf	0	0	0	0
Dawson rf	4	0	0	0	Magadan 1b	3	1	1	1
Salazar lf	4	1	1	0	Johnson ss	4	0	0	0
Wynne cf	0	0	0	0	Tabler rf	3	0	0	0
Dunston ss	4	1	0	0	Jefferies 3b	4	1	1	0
Ramos 3b	3	1	2	1	Boston cf	3	0	0	0
Assenmchr p	1	0	0	0	O'Brien c	3	0	1	0
Girardi c	4	0	0	0	Hundley c	0	0	0	0
Lancaster p	1	0	0	0	McRynlds ph	1	0	1	0
Wilkerson 3b	2	0	1	0	Baez pr	0	0	0	0
					Viola p	2	0	1	1
					Teufel ph	1	0	0	0
					Pena p	0	0	0	0
					Reed ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	35	3	7	3	Totals	33	2	7	2

Chicago	030	000	000-	3
New York	000	110	000-	2

E-Herr, Miller. DP-New York 1. LOB-Chicago 7, New York 7. 2B-Jefferies. HR-Magadan (6). SB-Boston (18). S-Magadan.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Lncstr (W 9-5)	5	4	2	2	1	5
Assnmchr (S 9)	4	3	0	0	1	3
New York						
Viola (L 19-12)	7	7	3	0	2	5
Pena	2	0	0	0	0	4

Umpires-Home, Pulli; 1b, Rippley; 2b, Darling; 3b, Froemming.

T-2:49. A-38,664.

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Backman 3b	3	1	1	1	Coleman lf	4	0	0	0
King 3b	1	0	1	1	Smith ss	4	0	0	0
Bell ss	5	1	2	2	Lankford cf	3	0	0	0

Van Slyke cf	5	0	0	0	Guerrero 1b	4	0	1	0
Bonilla rf	5	0	1	1	Zeile 3b	3	0	0	0
Bonds lf	5	0	0	0	Thompson rf	4	0	0	0
Bream 1b	5	2	2	1	Pagnozzi c	3	0	2	0
LaValliere c	4	2	2	0	Oquendo 2b	3	0	1	0
Lind 2b	4	2	2	0	Tewksbury p	1	0	0	0
Belliard 2b	0	0	0	0	Terry p	0	0	0	0
Walk p	3	0	1	1	Sherrill p	0	0	0	0
					Walling ph	1	0	0	0
					Perez p	0	0	0	0
					Clarke p	0	0	0	0
Totals	40	8	12	7	Totals	30	0	4	0

Pittsburgh	003	000	230- 8
St. Louis	000	000	000- 0

LOB-Pittsburgh 7, St. Louis 6. 2B-Lind, LaValliere, Walk. HR-Bream (14). SB-Bell (10). S-Walk, Tewksbury.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Walk (W 7-5)	9	4	0	0	2	4
St. Louis						
Twksbry (L 10-9)	6 1-3	7	5	4	0	2
Terry	1-3	0	0	0	1	1
Sherrill	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Perez	2-3	5	3	3	0	1
Clarke	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	2

Umpires-Home, Montague; 1b, Hallion; 2b, West; 3b, Marsh.

T-2:30. A-23,571.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Smith lf	3	0	1	0	Yelding cf	4	1	2	0
Berroa lf	1	0	0	0	Candaele 2b	3	1	0	0
McDowell cf	4	0	1	0	Davidson rf	3	2	2	1
Bell 1b	4	0	2	0	Davis 1b	3	2	2	3
Justice rf	2	0	0	0	Simms 1b	1	1	0	0
Treadway 2b	4	0	0	0	Stubbs lf	4	1	2	1
Lemke 3b	4	0	0	0	Rhodes lf	1	0	0	0
Mann c	3	0	1	0	Ramirez ss	4	1	2	2
Rosario ss	2	0	0	0	Cedeno ss	0	0	0	0
Leibrandt p	1	0	1	0	Caminiti 3b	3	0	0	0
Whitt ph	0	0	0	0	Nichols c	3	0	0	0
Freeman p	0	0	0	0	Gullickson p	3	0	1	1

Henry p	0	0	0	0						
Castillo p	0	0	0	0						
Gregg ph	1	0	0	0						
Clary p	0	0	0	0						
Totals	29	0	6	0	Totals	32	9	11	8	

Atlanta	000	000	000- 0
Houston	012	024	00x- 9

E-Freeman. DP-Atlanta 2, Houston 3. LOB-Atlanta 6, Houston 8. 2B-Ramirez, Davis 2, Stubbs, Bell, Davidson. SB-Yelding 2 (63), Candaele (7), Caminiti (9) Davis (8), Stubbs (18). SF-Gullickson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Lbrndt (L 9-11)	4	7	3	3	3	1
Freeman	1	2	2	2	0	1
Henry	0	2	4	4	2	0
Castillo	1	0	0	0	0	0
Clary	2	0	0	0	1	1
Houston						
Gllcksn (W 10-14)	9	6	0	0	4	1

Henry pitched to four batters in the 6th inning.

PB-Mann 2. HBP-By Freeman (Davis, Nichols).

Umpires-Home, Layne; 1b, Runge; 2b, Hohn; 3b, Davis.

T-2:49. A-8,129.

(6 1/2 innings, rain)

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts lf	3	1	2	0	Wnnnghm cf	3	0	0	0
JeClark rf	0	0	0	0	O'Neill r	3	0	2	0
Cora 2b	4	1	2	0	Larkin ss	2	1	1	0
JaClark 1b	1	0	1	0	Morris 1b	3	0	1	1
Carter cf	4	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	3	0	0	0
Santiago c	2	0	0	1	Braggs lf	3	0	1	0
Jackson rf	3	0	2	1	Reed c	3	0	0	0
Pagliarul 3b	3	1	1	1	Duncan 2b	2	0	1	0
Templetn ss	3	0	0	0	Charlton p	1	0	0	0
Whitson p	3	0	0	0	Scudder p	0	0	0	0
Totals	26	3	8	3	Totals	23	1	6	1

San Diego	000	002	1- 3
Cincinnati	001	000	0- 1

DP-Cincinnati 1. LOB-San Diego 7, Cincinnati 6. 2B-Morris, Braggs. HR-Pagliarulo (5). SB-Larkin (29), JaClark (4), Roberts (46), Cora (7).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Whitson (W 14-9)	6	6	1	1	2	5
Cincinnati						
Chrltn (L 12-9)	6 2-3	8	3	3	3	5
Scudder	1-3	0	0	0	1	0

HBP-By Charlton (Roberts).

Umpires-Home, Demuth; 1b, Gregg; 2b, Crawford; 3b, Harvey.

T-2:07. A-37,133.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Harris 3b	4	1	1	1	Butler cf	4	2	3	0
Javier cf	3	0	1	1	Kingery lf	2	1	1	0
Gibson lf	3	0	0	0	Litton lf	2	0	0	0
Murray 1b	4	0	1	0	Clark 1b	4	0	2	3
Brooks rf	4	0	0	0	Williams 3b	4	0	0	0
Crews p	0	0	0	0	Bass rf	3	0	1	0
Scioscia c	3	1	1	0	Kennedy c	3	0	1	1
Samuel 2b	4	0	2	0	Santana pr	0	0	0	0
Sharpersn ss	4	0	0	1	Decker c	0	0	0	0
Neidlinger p	2	0	0	0	Thompson 2b	4	0	0	0
Walsh p	0	0	0	0	Benjamin ss	3	1	1	0
Wetteland p	0	0	0	0	Downs p	2	0	0	0
Gwynn rf	2	1	1	0	Laga ph	1	0	0	0
					Dewey p	0	0	0	0
					Novoa p	0	0	0	0
					Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	3	7	3	Totals	32	4	9	4

Los Angeles	000	011	010-	3
San Francisco	000	220	00x-	4

DP-San Francisco 1. LOB-Los Angeles 6 ,San Francisco 6. 2B-Clark, Samuel 2, Scioscia. 3B-Gwynn. SB-Benjamin (1), Butler 2 (47). SF-Kennedy.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Ndlngr (L 5-3)	4 1-3	5	4	4	1	3

Walsh	1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Wetteland	2 1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Crews	1	2	0	0	0	0
San Francisco						
Downs (W 3-2)	7	4	2	2	2	2
Dewey	2-3	1	1	1	0	0
Novoa	0	0	0	0	1	0
Bedrosn (S 17)	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	1

Novoa pitched to one batter in the 8th.

WP-Downs.

Umpires-Home, Rennert; 1b, Tata; 2b, Quick; 3b, Bonin.

T-2:28. A-31,843.

PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Dykstra cf	4	0	0	0	Nixon cf	4	1	1	0
Ready 2b	4	1	1	0	Alou rf	4	2	2	0
Chamberln lf	4	0	0	0	Grissom lf	3	1	1	2
Murphy rf	3	0	1	1	Wallach 3b	4	0	0	0
Jordan 1b	3	0	1	0	Galarrag 1b	4	1	3	2
Thon ss	3	0	0	0	Santovenia c	4	0	1	0
Hollins 3b	3	0	0	0	Owen ss	3	0	0	0
Fletcher c	2	0	0	0	Paredes 2b	3	0	1	1
Campusn ph	1	0	0	0	Barnes p	3	0	0	0
Nieto c	0	0	0	0					
Combs p	2	0	0	0					
Hayes ph	1	0	0	0					
Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	30	1	3	1	Totals	32	5	9	5

Philadelphia	000	100	000-	1
Montreal	201	010	01x-	5

E-Paredes, Hollins. DP-Philadelphia 2, Montreal 1. LOB-Philadelphia 2, Montreal 7. 2B-Galarraga 2, Murphy, Nixon. 3B- Alou. SB-Grissom (21).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Cmbs (L 10-10)	7	6	4	4	4	3
Akerfelds	1	3	1	1	0	2
Montreal						
Barnes (W 1-1)	9	3	1	1	0	2

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, McSherry; 2b, Davidson; 3b, C Williams.

T-2:12. A-8,985.

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(SEPT. 30) UPI - Rain cut short the game but it didn't dampen the parade.

Cincinnati Manager Lou Piniella, owner Marge Schott and Reds' players strutted on the field during a rain delay Saturday to celebrate clinching the National League West title when the Los Angeles Dodgers lost to San Francisco 4-3.

Despite a 3-1 loss to San Diego in 6 1-2 innings, Cincinnati treated its fans to fireworks and flashing scoreboards declaring the Reds ''1990 National League West Champions.

''I don't care how we won it,'' said relief pitcher Rob Dibble. ''The bottom line is, we won it. We're 20 games above .500. We deserve to be the champions.''

''Any old way you win a division is the way to win it,'' declared outfielder Paul O'Neill. ''The season is 162 games long. We know we're the best team in the division this year.''

The Reds shot to the lead with nine straight victories at the start of the season, and never looked back. They became the first NL team to hold first place every day of a 162-game season. The 1984 Detroit Tigers also did it. The 1923 New York Giants and 1927 New York Yankees went wire-to-wire during a 154-game season.

The Padres rallied from a 1-0 deficit after five innings with two runs in the sixth and another in the seventh. Ed Whitson, 14-9, gave up one earned run, struck out five and walked two to get the win.

Cincinnati starter Norm Charlton, 12-9, lasted 6 2-3 innings, surrendering eight hits and three runs. He struck out five and walked three.

Cincinnati will host the opening two games of the NL playoffs next week against either Pittsburgh or New York. Pittsburgh clinched at least a tie for the NL East crown with an 8-0 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals. The Pirates would gain the title Sunday with a victory or a Mets' loss.

--- AROUND THE NL ---

In other National League games, Chicago shaded New York 3-2, Pittsburgh blanked St. Louis 8-0, Houston pummelled Atlanta 9-0, San Francisco edged Los

Angeles 4-3, and Montreal pounded Philadelphia 5-1.

Cubs 3, Mets 2

At New York, Doug Dascenzo singled home two runs in the second to lift Chicago and leave the Mets on the brink of elimination of the NL East. Cubs starter Les Lancaster, 9-5, gave up five hits and two runs while walking one and striking out five over five innings. Frank Viola, bidding for his 20th victory gave up three unearned runs in the second and fell to 19-12.

Pirates 8, Cardinals 0

At St. Louis, Bob Walk pitched a four-hit shutout and doubled home a run and Sid Bream homered. Walk, 7-5, walked two and struck out four in his first shutout. Bob Tewksbury, 10-9, was tagged for four runs in 6 1- 3 innings.

Astros 9, Braves 0

At Houston, Glenn Davis drove in three runs and scored twice, and Bill Gullickson threw a six-hitter for the Astros. Gullickson, 10-14, threw his first shutout since 1987, before he went to Japan, and his second complete game of the season. Charlie Leibrandt, 9-11, took the loss.

Giants 4, Dodgers 3

At San Francisco, Kelly Downs, 3-2, allowed no hits through the first 4 1-3 innings. Steve Bedrosian pitched 1 1-3 innings for his 17th save. Jim Neidlinger, 5-3, took the loss.

Expos 5, Phillies 1

At Montreal, Marquis Grissom and Andres Galarraga drove in two runs each, backing Brian Barnes' first big-league win and helping the Expos snap an eight-game slide. Barnes, 23, hurled a three-hitter to even his record at 1-1 in his fourth start in the majors. Pat Combs, 10-10, took the loss.

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(SEPT. 30) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
Boston	86	72	.544	-	49-39	37-43	5-5	W-4
Toronto	84	74	.532	2	44-37	40-37	4-6	L-4
Detroit	76	82	.481	10	38-42	38-40	5-5	L-1
Cleveland	74	84	.468	12	39-39	35-45	6-4	L-3
Baltimore	73	83	.467	13	38-39	35-44	8-2	W-2
Milwaukee	72	86	.456	14	37-39	35-47	3-7	W-1

New York	65	93	.411	21	36-41	29-52	5-5	L-1
West								
x-Oakland	101	57	.639	-	50-28	51-29	7-3	W-2
Chicago	92	66	.582	8 1/2	48-30	44-36	6-4	W-1
Texas	82	76	.519	19	47-34	35-42	4-6	L-2
California	78	80	.494	23	42-38	36-42	4-6	L-2
Seattle	76	82	.481	25	39-43	37-39	4-6	L-1
Kansas City	74	84	.468	27	45-36	29-48	5-5	W-2
Minnesota	72	86	.456	29	39-39	33-47	6-4	W-1

x-clinched division title.

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(SEPT. 30) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Kelly cf	3	0	0	0	Felder cf	5	2	1	1
Sax 2b	4	0	1	0	Gantner 2b	4	0	1	0
Mattingly 1b	4	0	0	0	Surhoff c	3	0	1	2
Maas dh	4	0	1	0	Parker dh	4	0	0	0
Nokes c	4	1	1	0	Deer rf	3	2	1	0
Barfield rf	4	0	1	0	Brock 1b	4	0	2	1
Meulens lf	3	0	1	0	Canale 1b	0	1	0	0
Velarde 3b	4	0	1	0	Hamilton lf	4	1	1	0
Espinoza ss	3	0	2	1	Sveum 3b	3	1	0	0
					Spiers ss	4	1	3	4
Totals	33	1	8	1	Totals	34	8	10	8

New York	000	000	100-	1
Milwaukee	051	100	01x-	8

DP-New York 1, Milwaukee 1. LOB-New York 7, Milwaukee 5. 2B-Deer, Surhoff, Brock. 3B-Spiers.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Witt (L 5-9)	2	5	6	6	3	2
Habyan	4	3	1	1	0	0
Monteleone	2	2	1	1	0	1
Milwaukee						
Navrr (W 8-7)	9	8	1	1	1	4

Witt pitched to two batters in the 3rd.

WP-Habyan, Navarro. HBP-By Navarro (Kelly).

Umpires-Home, Merrill; 1b, McClelland; 2b, Denkinger; 3b, Shulock.

T-2:22. A-16,531.

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi
Munoz rf	3	0	1	1	Phillips 2b	2	0	0	0
Newman 2b	3	0	0	1	Shelby lf	2	0	0	0
Puckett lf	4	0	1	0	Ward ph	0	0	0	0
Gaetti 3b	5	0	0	0	Sheets lf	0	0	0	0
Mack cf	3	0	1	0	Fielder dh	4	0	0	0
Larkin 1b	4	0	1	0	Moseby cf	4	0	1	0
Castillo dh	3	1	1	0	Bergman 1b	4	0	1	0
Bush ph	1	0	0	0	Fryman ss	4	0	0	0
Webster c	3	1	2	0	Salas c	3	0	0	0
Gagne ss	2	0	1	0	Lemon rf	4	0	1	0
					Coles 3b	4	0	2	0
Totals	31	2	8	2	Totals	31	0	5	0

Minnesota	001	000	100-	2
Detroit	000	000	000-	0

E-Shelby. DP-Minnesota 1. LOB- Minnesota 11, Detroit 9. 2B-Puckett, Webster.
S-Gagne, Munoz, Newman. SF- Munoz.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Ercksn (W 8-4)	7 1-3	2	0	0	4	0
Wayne	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Aguiler (S 31)	1 1-3	3	0	0	1	3
Detroit						
Aldred (L 1-2)	6	4	1	1	2	2
Petry	2 2-3	4	1	1	1	0
Parker	1-3	0	0	0	1	0

WP-Parker. HBP-By Alfred (Mack).

Umpires- Home, Young; 1b, Kaiser; 2b, Johnson; 3b, Voltaggio.

T-3:00. A-19,727.

TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson cf	5	1	2	0	Reed 2b	3	0	1	0

Fernandz ss	4	1	3	1	Quintana 1b	3	1	1	0
Gruber 3b	5	1	1	4	Boggs 3b	4	1	1	0
McGriff 1b	5	0	0	0	Burks cf	4	0	0	0
Bell lf	4	0	1	0	Greenwell lf	2	1	1	0
Olerud dh	2	0	1	0	Romine lf	0	0	0	0
Myers c	3	1	0	0	Evans dh	3	1	1	2
Lee 2b	2	0	1	0	Brunnsky rf	4	3	3	5
Eppard ph	1	0	0	0	Pena c	4	0	1	0
Sojo 2b	1	0	0	0	Rivera ss	4	0	0	0
Felix rf	4	1	1	0					
Totals	36	5	10	5	Totals	31	7	9	7

Toronto	000	000	005- 5
Boston	000	015	01x- 7

DP-Toronto 2, Boston 1. LOB-Toronto 8, Boston 5. 2B-Reed, Wilson, Bell, Pena.
HR-Brunansky 3 (14), Gruber (31). SB- Fernandez (26), Evans (2).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Stt'myr (L 13-17)	5 1-3	5	4	4	3	8
Ward	2-3	2	2	2	0	0
Leiter	1	0	0	0	1	0
Luecken	1	2	1	1	1	0
Boston						
Clemens (W 21-6)	6	4	0	0	2	5
Gardner	0	0	0	0	2	0
Lamp	2 2-3	6	5	5	0	2
Reardon (S 20)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Gardner pitched to two batters in the 7th

Umpires-Home, Coble; 1b, Phillips; 2b, Welke; 3b, McKean.

T-3:27. A-35,444.

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	3	0	0	0	PBradley lf	3	1	0	0
Vizquel ss	3	0	0	0	Johnson cf	3	0	1	0
Briley rf	4	0	1	0	Calderon lf	1	0	0	0
KGriffeySr lf	3	1	1	0	Thomas 1b	2	0	1	2
Davis dh	4	1	1	2	Stark dh	2	0	0	0
Martinez 1b	4	0	0	0	McCray pr	0	0	0	0
Buhner cf	2	0	0	0	Fisk ph	0	0	0	0
SBradley c	3	0	0	0	Sosa rf	4	1	1	0
Schaefer 3b	2	0	0	0	Karkovice c	3	1	0	0

PO'Brien ph	1	0	0	0	Ventura 3b	3	1	2	1
Sinatro c	0	0	0	0	Fletcher 2b	2	1	1	1
					Grebeck ss	2	0	0	0
					Guillen ss	0	0	0	0
Totals	29	2	3	2	Totals	25	5	6	4

Seattle	000	200	000-	2
Chicago	000	100	31x-	5

E-Buhner, Sinatro. DP-Seattle 3. LOB-Seattle 3, Chicago 8. 2B-Sosa. HR-Davis (16). SB-Guillen (13). S-Grebeck. SF- Fletcher.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Young (L 8-18)	6 2-3	6	4	3	7	8
Jackson	1 1-3	0	1	1	3	2
Chicago						
King (W 12-4)	7	3	2	2	1	2
Jones	1	0	0	0	1	1
Thigpen (S 56)	1	0	0	0	0	0

WP-Young, Jackson 2. PB-SBradley.

HBP-By King (Buhner).

Umpires-Home, Cooney; 1b, Brinkman; 2b, Cousins; 3b, Reed.

T-2:46. A-42,800.

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
WMcGee cf	5	2	3	0	Pettis cf	3	0	1	1
Lewis cf	1	0	0	0	Belcher cf	2	0	1	0
DHendrsn lf	3	1	0	0	Franco 2b	3	0	2	0
DHowitt 1b	1	0	0	0	Huson 2b	0	0	0	0
JCanseco rf	4	0	1	2	Kunkel rf	1	0	0	0
Blanknshp rf	0	0	0	0	Reimer ph	1	0	0	0
Baines dh	2	0	1	2	Palmeiro 1b	4	0	0	0
Lansford 3b	4	0	1	1	Stanley 1b	1	0	0	0
Jennings lf	5	1	1	0	Sierra rf	4	0	3	0
Quirk c	4	1	0	1	Coolbagh 3b	0	0	0	0
Weiss ss	5	0	1	0	Daughrty dh	3	0	0	0
Randolph 2b	4	2	2	0	JoRussell dh	1	0	0	0
					Incaviglia lf	3	1	3	0
					Petralli c	2	0	0	0
					Haselman c	2	0	0	1
					Buechele 2b	3	1	2	1

					Green ss	3	1	0	0
					Kreuter ph	0	0	0	0
Totals	38	7	10	6	Totals	36	3	12	3

Oakland	120	220	000-7
Texas	001	010	001-3

E-Incaviglia, Palmeiro. DP-Oakland 2. LOB-Oakland 12, Texas 9. 2B-W McGee, Franco, Sierra. 3B-Jennings, Pettis. HR-Buechele (7). CS-Incaviglia. SF-Quirk.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Burns (W 3-3)	5 2-3	7	2	2	2	1
Nelson	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Honeycutt	1	1	0	0	0	1
Klink	1-3	2	1	1	1	0
Eckersley (S 47)	2-3	1	0	0	0	2
Texas						
McMrtry (L 0-3)	1 2-3	5	3	3	2	1
Moyer	2 1-3	4	4	3	1	4
Bitker	2	0	0	0	1	5
Mielke	1	0	0	0	0	1
Alexander	2	1	0	0	2	4

Moyer Pitched To Two Batters In The 5th.

WP-Klink, Moyer. HBP-Lansford By Bitker.

Umpires-Home, Garcia; 1b, Hendry; 2b, Palermo; 3b, Reilly.

T-3:12. A-37,260.

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
McRae cf	5	0	2	1	Polonia lf	5	0	1	0
Seitzer 2b	5	2	1	0	Ray 2b	5	0	1	0
Jackson lf	5	1	1	0	Downing dh	4	1	1	0
Tartabull dh	4	2	2	2	Parrish c	5	1	3	0
Shumpert pr	0	0	0	0	Stevens 1b	3	1	1	0
Conine 1b	4	2	3	2	Bichette ph	0	0	0	0
Macfarlan c	5	1	1	0	Hill ph	1	0	0	0
Berry 3b	4	0	2	3	Venable rf	2	1	0	0
Stillwell ss	3	1	0	0	Winfield rf	1	1	1	3
Thurman rf	3	0	1	0	Howell 3b	4	1	1	0
Eisenreich rf	1	0	0	0	Schofield ss	4	0	1	1
					White cf	4	0	1	0
Totals	39	9	13	8	Totals	38	6	11	4

Kansas City	210	002	022- 9
California	020	100	030- 6

E-Polonia, Jackson, Seitzer, White, Davis. DP-Kansas City 1, California 1. LOB-Kansas City 6, California 8. 2B-Tartabull 2, Stevens, Conine, Parrish. 3B-Berry. HR- Winfield (21). SB-Thurman (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Gordon	4	4	3	0	1	2
McGaffgn (W 4-3)	3	3	0	0	1	3
Codiroli	0	2	2	2	0	0
Davis	1 2-3	2	1	1	1	2
Mntgmry (S 23)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
California						
Lngstn (L 10-17)	7 1-3	10	7	6	3	5
Minton	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
McClure	1-3	1	1	1	0	0
Harvey	2-3	2	1	1	0	0

Codiroli Pitched To Two Batters In The 8th.

Umpires-Home, Scott; 1b, Clark; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, McClelland.

T-3:11. A-29,114.

-30- 10080

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CHALLIS, ID (SEPT. 30) UPI - A minor earthquake shook central Idaho Saturday evening, the U.S. Geological Survey said Sunday.

The agency said it had received no reports of damage from the quake, which registered 3.9 on the Richter scale and reportedly was felt in the Challis area.

The shaker, which struck at 7:08 p.m. MDT, was centered about 10 miles southwest of Challis, or about 110 miles northeast of Boise, the U.S.G.S. said in an announcement from its National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colo.

-30- 687

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(SEPT. 30) UPI - The Southeastern Conference race came no closer to being solved Saturday night than it was before the day began.

Stan White passed for 338 yards and three second-half touchdowns, rallying No. 3 Auburn to a 26-26 tie against No. 5 Tennessee in a battle between the two SEC front-runners.

White connected with Greg Taylor twice and Dale Overturn once in the second half to bring the Tigers back from a 19-3 halftime deficit. Tennessee's Greg Burke missed a 34-yard field goal attempt with 15 seconds left that would have given the Volunteers the win.

''I don't think I have seen two teams give as fierce an effort,'' Tennessee Coach Johnny Majors said. ''Both teams are disappointed, but by the way the crowd reacted I would say they were very happy.''

The winner of the game was expected to have the inside track at the SEC title and a shot at the national championship. Instead, the result left both teams with 1-0-1 conference record and the SEC race in a muddle.

''Our players have won three straight championships and a loss tonight might have knocked us out (of the SEC race) because I don't know who is going to beat Tennessee,'' Auburn Coach Pat Dye said.

With Tennessee leading 26-9, Auburn's Herbert Casey ran 34 yards with a kickoff return and White completed passes of 10, 11, 6 and 12 yards that put Jim Von Wyl in position to make a 25-yard field goal.

White then engineered a sputtering drive from the Auburn 49. The Tigers had an 8-yard TD strike to James Joseph called back on an illegal-shift penalty. On fourth-and-13, White hit Overton in the end zone with 8:28 remaining, making the score 26-19.

Auburn's defense held to give White the ball back at the Tennessee 43 with 3:26 to play. White then hit Fred Baxter for 22 yards and Joseph carried 10 more to put the ball on the Tennessee 11. With 1:30 remaining, White completed an 11-yard TD pass to Taylor.

Instead of going for the lead with a two-point conversion, Auburn Coach Pat Dye elected to have Von Wyl kick the extra point. The move backfired somewhat, as the Tigers never got the ball back to try for the win.

Andy Kelly directed a drive from his own 23 to set up Burke's field- goal attempt, but the kick was wide left.

''Both teams laid it on the line and spilled their guts on the field, '' Majors said. ''We played hard. They made a great comeback. I take nothing away from them.''

--- AROUND THE COLLEGE SCENE ---

In other games featuring Top 10 teams, No. 1 Notre Dame bashed Purdue 37-11, No. 2 Florida State ran past Virginia Tech 39-28, No. 4 Brigham Young lost to Oregon 32-16, No. 6 Nebraska outlasted Oregon State 37-3, No. 7 Michigan pounded Maryland 45-17, No. 8 Virginia steamrolled William & Mary 63-35, No. 9 Miami shot down No. 25 Iowa 48-21 and Louisiana State upset No. 10 Texas A&M 17-8.

Also, No. 16 Colorado held off No. 11 Washington 20-14, No. 14 Southern Cal topped No. 12 Ohio State 35-26, California upended No. 13 Arizona 30-25, No. 17 Florida defeated Mississippi State 34-21, No. 18 Clemson blasted Duke 26-7, No. 20 Michigan State stuffed Rutgers 34-10, co-No. 21 Mississippi beat Tulane 31-21, co-No. 21 Arkansas topped Colorado State 31-20 and Missouri stunned co-No. 23 Arizona State 30-9.

In late games, No. 19 Fresno State overwhelmed Fullerton State 38-3 and co-No. 23 Wyoming overhauled Utah 28-10.

At South Bend, Ind., Raghib Ismail ran for 82 yards and a touchdown, leading a 362-yard ground attack by Notre Dame against Purdue. Ismail carried five times and scored on a career-long run of 64 yards.

At Tallahassee, Fla., Errol McCorvey ran 77 yards with a fumble for one touchdown and Terrell Buckley returned an interception 53 yards for another to lead Florida State. The Seminoles trailed by 18 points in the first half before extending college football's longest winning streak to 14 games.

At Eugene, Ore., Daryle Smith intercepted three passes and Oregon sacked Ty Detmer five times to upset the Cougars. Bill Musgrave passed for 286 yards and three touchdowns, becoming Oregon's all-time passing leader. Detmer hit 33 of 57 passes for 442 yards and two touchdowns.

At Lincoln, Neb., Leodis Flowers ran for a career-high 151 yards and a touchdown for Nebraska, including 117 yards in the second half. The Cornhuskers scored 21 fourth-quarter points after trailing 7-3 at halftime.

At Ann Arbor, Mich., Jon Vaughn scored two touchdowns and Michigan intercepted three passes. Vaughn, who gained 489 yards in his first two collegiate starts, scored finished with 89 yards on 22 carries.

At Charlottesville, Va., Terry Kirby ran for 188 yards and four touchdowns and Nikki Fisher added 164 yards and a pair of scores for Virginia. The Cavaliers piled up 689 yards total offense.

At Miami, Craig Erickson passed for three touchdowns and Steve McGuire ran for two to lead Miami. Iowa closed within 24-21 before the Hurricanes pulled away with 24 unanswered points.

At Baton Rouge, La., Todd Kinchen caught a 79-yard touchdown pass and Harvey Williams rushed 1 yard for another score to lead Louisiana State. The Tigers intercepted four Lance Pavlas passes on the night.

At Boulder, Colo., Darian Hagan rushed for two touchdowns to rally Colorado past Washington. Hagan scored on runs of 15 and 3 yards before leaving the game with an injured shoulder. He is expected to return for next week's game.

At Columbus, Ohio, Ricky Ervins rushed for a career-high 199 yards and scored twice to lead the Trojans. The game was was called with 2:36 remaining because of heavy lightning in the area.

At Tucson, Ariz., Russell White ran for 99 yards and scored twice as California continued its recent mastery of Arizona. The Golden Bears have three wins and a tie in their last four games against the Wildcats.

At Gainesville, Fla., Shane Matthews fired three touchdown passes for the second straight week to lead Florida. The Gators, No. 1 in the Southeastern Conference in total defense, limited Mississippi State to nine first downs.

At Clemson, S.C., DeChane Cameron passed for two touchdowns and ran for another score to spark Clemson. Chris Gardocki added two field goals, including a 51-yarder that was his third of the season from 50 yards or more.

At East Rutherford, N.J., Tico Duckett rushed for a career-high 229 yards and a touchdown to lead Michigan State. The Spartans recorded their 500th win in school history.

At Oxford, Miss., Randy Baldwin rushed for a school-record 241 yards and two touchdowns to power Mississippi. Baldwin carried the ball 15 times to break a school record that stood for 41 years.

At Little Rock, Ark., Quinn Grovey threw for three touchdowns and ran for another to lead Arkansas. The Razorbacks survived four second-half turnovers and four unsportsmanlike-conduct penalties to hold off the Rams.

At Columbia, Mo., Kent Kiefer passed for 279 yards and two touchdowns and Damon Mays and Michael Jones scored two touchdowns each to lead Missouri. Arizona State lost quarterback Paul Justin midway through the third quarter with a separated shoulder.

At Fresno, Calif., Aaron Craver rushed for 121 yards and two touchdowns to become the fifth-leading rusher in Fresno State history. Punter Brad Seagal had the longest run of the night - 47 yards - on a fake punt to set up a 24-yard field goal by Derek Mahoney.

At Salt Lake City, Tom Corontzos passed for two touchdowns and Dwight Driver ran for another pair to power Wyoming. The Cowboys, playing without injured

kicker Sean Fleming, passed on three fourth-down plays rather than attempting field goals and converted each time, leading to a pair of touchdowns.

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(SEPT. 30) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

Batting

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Brett, KC	540	82	178	.330
RHenderson, Oak	478	116	156	.326
Palmeiro, Tex	581	72	187	.322
Boggs, Bos	604	88	184	.305
Trammell, Det	555	70	169	.305
EMartinez, Sea	487	71	147	.302
Griffey Jr., Sea	593	90	177	.298
Puckett, Min	538	82	160	.297
Harper, Min.	471	61	140	.297
CJames, Cle.	515	60	153	.297

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Magadan, NY	436	74	144	.330
Murray, LA	542	95	177	.327
Dykstra, Phi	583	104	188	.322
Dawson, Chi	519	69	162	.312
Grace, Chi	577	71	180	.312
Roberts, SD	552	104	172	.312
Gwynn, SD	573	79	177	.309
Sandberg, Chi	608	115	187	.308
Butler, SF	608	102	186	.306

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 49; McGwire, Oak 39; Canseco, Oak 37; McGriff, Tor 34; Gruber, Tor 31.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 39; Strawberry, NY 37; Mitchell, SF 35; Bonds, Pit and M.Williams, SF 33; Bonilla, Pit 32.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 127; Gruber, Tor 117; McGwire, Oak 108; Canseco Oak 98; Sierra, Tex 95; Parker, Mil 92.

National League - Williams, SF 119; Bonilla, Pit 118; Carter, SD and Bonds, Pit 114; Strawberry, NY 108.

Doubles

American League - Brett, KC 45; Jo.Reed and Boggs, Bos and Calderon, Chi 43; Harper, Min 42.

National League - Jefferies, NY 40; Sabo, Cin, Bonilla, Pit 38; Johnson, NY, 37; Roberts, SD and Wallach, Mtl 36.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 17; Sosa, Chi, Liriano, Min 9; Burks, Bos, Johnson, Chi and Pettis, Tex 8.

National League - Duncan, Cin 11; Gwynn, SD 10; Coleman, StL and Butler, SF 9; L.Smith, Atl and Dunston, Chi 8.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 63; Kelly, NY 41; Sax, NY 39; Pettis, Tex 38; Cole, Cle 37.

National League - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 63; Bonds, Pit 52; Nixon, Mtl 49; Butler, SF 47; Roberts, SD and Raines, Mtl 46

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 116; Fielder, Det 101; Yount, Mil and Reynolds, Sea 98; Franco, Tex 95; Phillips, Det 94.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 115; Bonilla, Pit 110; Dykstra, Phi, Bonds, Pit and Roberts, SD 104; Gant, Atl.

Hits

American League - Palmeiro, Tex 187; Boggs, Bos 184; Kelly, NY 179; Brett, KC, 178; Griffey Jr., Sea 177; Parker, Mil and Greenwell, Bos 176.

National League - Dykstra, Phi 188; Sandberg, Chi 187; Butler, SF 186; Larkin, Cin 184; Wallach, Mtl 181; Grace, Chi 180.

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 26; Stewart, Oak 22; Clemens, Bos 21; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 18.

National League - Drabek, Pit 21; Martinez, LA, Viola and Gooden, NY 19; Browning, Cin 15; Maddux, Chi, Burkett, SF, Rijo, Cin, and Whitson, SD 14.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 160 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 1.93; Finley, Cal 2.40; Stewart, Oak 2.58; Appier, KC 2.84; Stieb, Tor 2.95.

National League - Darwin, Hou 2.21; Whitson, SD 2.60; Smith, Pit 2.61; Viola, NY 2.63; Rijo, Cin 2.72.

Strikeouts

American League - Ryan, Tex 221; Witt, Tex 215; Clemens, Bos 209; Hanson, Sea 204; Langston, Cal 195.

National League - Cone, NY 221; Martinez, LA 220; Gooden, NY 218; Fernandez, NY 178; Viola, NY 177.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi 56; Eckersley, Oak 47; Jones, Cle 41; Righetti, NY and Olson, Bal 35.

National League - Franco, NY 33; Myers, Cin 30; L.Smith, StL 27; Smith, Hou and Lefferts, SD 23.

Complete Games

American League - Morris, Det and Stewart, Oak 10; Finley, Cal, Witt, Tex, Young, Sea and Clemens, Bos 7.

National League - Martinez, LA 11; Hurst, SD 9; Maddux, Chi, and Drabek, Pit 8; De.Martinez, Mtl, Rijo, Cin and Viola, NY 7.

Shutouts

American League - Stewart, Oak and Clemens, Bos 4; Appier, KC, Perez, Chi and Morris, Det 3.

National League - Morgan, LA and Hurst, SD 4; Gardner and Boyd, Mtl, Martinez, LA, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3.

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WASHINGTON (SEPT. 30) UPI - Budget negotiators, after four months of hard bargaining, appeared to be on the verge of agreeing Sunday on a package of tax increases and spending cuts to slash the deficit by $500 billion over five years.

Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas told reporters as the talks recessed shortly after 2:30 a.m. EDT that ''we just don't have a deal yet.''

But he said negotiators, a few of whom planned to keep talking most of the night, should know by 10:30 a.m. EDT Sunday, after they meet on budget process reform with Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., at about 8 a.m. EDT, if the deal is set.

''I assume by then (10:30 a.m.), we'll have an agreement,'' Dole told reporters. ''But until we get it all together, we don't have anything.''

A spokesman for House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said Saturday's talks were ''the most successful 24 hours of discussions'' negotiators have had yet but that ''some matters remained to be resolved.''

He would not say if a deal had been tentatively struck on all key issues - taxes, spending cuts and defense - except process reform and enforcement, issues about which Byrd has been deeply concerned.

Dole said that if President Bush, who was in New York City, is notified by 10:30 a.m. EDT Sunday that there is a deal, he will fly back to the White House for a 12:30 p.m. EDT joint announcement of the budget plan with congressional leaders and negotiators. He would then return to New York.

Negotiators are fighting a midnight Sunday deadline to come up with a package of tax increases and spending cuts that would reduce the deficit by $50 billion in the new fiscal year beginning Monday and by $500 billion over five years. Failure to do so would trigger up to $105.7 billion in automatic spending cuts, split between defense and domestic programs.

Without a deal and subsequent passage of stalled spending bills, the government would run out of money and could shut down Monday.

While figures could change, the package is expected to include an 8 cent-a-gallon hike in gasoline taxes and other energy taxes, higher taxes on alcoholic beverages and cigarettes, sharply lower defense spending over five years, big cuts in Medicare and a new 10 percent luxury tax on expensive cars, boats, furs, jewelry and electronic equipment.

It is not expected to include lower capital gains taxes, sought by President Bush, or higher income tax rates on the rich, sought by Democrats as the price the GOP had to pay to get a capital gains cut.

Early Sunday morning, Dole confirmed that negotiators stripped from the package an element that probably would have angered many elderly people: increasing income taxes on Social Security payments for single beneficiaries making $25,000 a year and couples making $32,000 a year.

People in those category now have their Social Security benefits taxed at 50 percent. Under the plan that had been discussed - and may still find its way back into the package - that would go up to about 70 percent, sources familiar with the discussions said.

Wealthier senior citizens mounted an intense and successful lobbying campaign last year to get Congress to scrap the landmark catastrophic health insurance law, complaining about the increased costs of expanded health benefits.

The deal was made possible, in part, when Republicans dropped their demand for a big cut in capital gains taxes on profits from the sale of assets. Republicans also ditched their fall-back position of adjusting capital gains taxes to compensate for the bite inflation takes from any gain over the years.

Instead, Republicans concentrated on pushing other economic growth proposals, such as creating enterprise zones, which give tax breaks for businesses that locate in depressed areas, and tax incentives for venture capital investments in small firms.

Democrats responded by scrapping their call for an income tax rate hike on the rich, who Democrats said would benefit most from a capital gains cut, and by accepting at least some of the GOP's economic growth alternatives to capital gains.

''What we're looking at is a growth-tax fairness alternative to the capital gains rate change and the general (income tax) tax change'' Democrats had originally demanded, said House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash.

Bush, in New York for meetings with world leaders at the United Nations, said earlier in the day tha the talks ''seemed to be advancing a little bit,'' but added ''we just don't know when it will be wrapped up.''

Democrats agreed to give Republicans what one source called a minor ''fig leaf'' on capital gains so as not to embarrass Bush and make it appear Republicans had completely caved in on the key issue, a rallying point for the party ever since Bush abandoned his ''read my lips, no new taxes'' pledge in late June.

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#90273u0220 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (SEPT. 30) UPI - Unknown attackers mutilated,

burned and killed four whites in a black township near the central South African city of Welkom, police said Sunday.

A patrol found the partially dismembered and burned bodies of the four - three men and a woman - in Khutloanong township north of Welkom late Saturday, police spokesman Maj. Johan Fouche said.

Three of the bodies lay beside a gutted vehicle and the fourth, that of a man, some 55 yards down the road, Fouche noted, saying the latter victim had probably tried to escape the attackers.

Fouche said the four had apparently visited a bar in the township Saturday afternoon, but he declined to speculate on a possible motive for the killings.

A Department of Law and Order spokesman ruled out any connection with a wave of factional black violence which, in more than six weeks, killed up to 800 people until it was quelled in mid-September by the imposition of tough military-style measures.

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TOKYO (SEPT. 30) UPI - Typhoon Gene weakened before hitting the city Sunday, but killed at least four people and injured at least 12 before its winds died down to 43 mph, Japanese television said.

The weakened storm, which had cut a swath through southwestern Japan in the morning with winds then clocked at up to 80 mph, moved north out to sea Sunday night after its passage through Tokyo.

After making its initial landfall about 450 miles southwest of Tokyo at 8 a.m. Sunday, the typhoon did not cause serious damage in Osaka, but flooded hundreds of houses in Wakayama state and Miyazaki state on the neighboring island of Kyushu, police said.

Initial reports said only two people were known dead, but a later count put the number of fatalities at four, with at least 12 people reported injured.

Typhoon Gene, the 20th of the year, hit Japan just 10 days after Typhoon Flo, a savage storm that left up to 38 people dead and caused millions of dollars' worth of crop and property damage.

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(SEPT. 30) UPI - Around the World... around the clock... news from United Press International:

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Optimistic sources at the budget talks in Washington say they expect an agreement Sunday after four months of talks aimed at reducing the nation's debt. The package on the table is said to include an increase in taxes paid at gasoline pumps and on so-called luxury items. An aide to President Bush says the president will return to Washington from New York to sign the agreement if it is solidified overnight.

Iraqi officials deny they will curtail access to food by Western foreigners deatined in Iraq. This word came as the distribution of food rationing cards was announced. The Middle East nation previously threatened to cut off food supplies to Western nationals because their governments had condemned Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait.

More than two dozen anti-abortion activists were arrested Saturday in Milwaukee after they refused to disperse from a woman's health clinic where they were picketing. The director of the clinic said members of the group pushed her and two other employees against the doorway and recited biblical verses before they were hauled off by authorities. Some protesters face additional loitering charges for refusing to leave the police station after being processed.

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#90273u0237 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 30) UPI - 83 years to the day after it was begun, the Washington Cathedral had its final stone set in place Saturday. The Episcopalian Cathedral Church of St. Peter and St. Paul is roughly modeled after 14th century English Gothic architectural designs. The edifice is two football fields in length and seats four-thousand people. The building's central tower rises more than 300 feet, making it the sixth tallest cathedral in the world.

A 23-year-old woman is scheduled to be arraigned Sunday in the Long Island town of Bellport on charges of assault, criminal mischief and reckless endangerment. Natalie Thomas is accused of punching a police officer and dragging him some 50 feet after he tried to pull her from her vehicle. Officer Christopher Baron's glasses were broken, but he was otherwise well after the incident.

It was love at first sight for an octogenarian and his 78-year-old fiancee... but it wasN'T for another six decades that they decided to tie the knot. The ceremony is scheduled to take place next Saturday. 63 years ago, 81-year-old Oliver Sawyer thought his girlfriend, Eunice Whedbee, was too young. The two then went their own ways, marrying other people. It was NOT until Sawyer's brother saw Whedbee at a Virginia nursing home recently that the two met again.

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UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 30) UPI - President Bush urged leaders attending the World Children 's Summit on Sunday to join in a partnership to save millions of children dying of disease and malnutrition.

In an address prepared for delivery to the United Nations-sponsored conference Bush delcared that the children ''can be saved when we live up to our responsibilities, not just as an assembly of governments but as a world community of adults, of parents.''

He cited steps the United States is taking to reduce infant mortality and to improve the health of both mothers and children, and he announced that he is sending Health Secretary Louis Sullivan to Africa, where acquired immune deficiency syndrome is killing many children.

Bush said Sullivan will ''see what else America and the world can do to advance child survival across the continent and across the world.''

''There is still another child-killer loose in the world that knows no cure: AIDS,'' Bush said. ''And nowhere is this killer taking more lives than in Africa.''

Speaking of the fate of the world's children, mainly in the poverty- stricken areas, Bush said: ''The facts are as stark as they are oppressive. They are almost 3 billion young jpeople on Earth today, and more than 14 million of them will die this year.''

''In the next hour alone, 1,000 babies will perish,'' Bush said. ''But we are here to defy cold statistics. We have seen children with swollen bellies. We have seen the pleading eyes of starvation. We have heard the cries of children dying of disease.

''So let us affirm, in this historic world summit, that these children can be saved.''

The summit, which brought together more than 70 world leaders, was called to set goals to improve the lives of deprived children throughout the world.

The leaders also were urging nations to ratify the Convention on the Rights of the Child, adopted last year by the U.N. General Assembly after a decade of debate.

Some 100 countries have signed the convention and more than 40 have put ratification on their legislative agendas, but the United States has balked so far at putting the convention up for ratification so far.

The U.S. opposition centers on the failure of the convention to condemn

abortion and its opposition to capital punishment for persons under 18 years of age. The capital punishment provision conflicts with some state laws.

But Sullivan and Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos dismissed as ''technicalities'' the U.S. failure to ratify the convention and said it agrees with the substance of the convention.

After speaking at the United Nations, Bush was prepared to rush back to Washington to seal a budget summit accord with Congress.

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 30) UPI - A Brooklyn man who allegedly handed out baseball bats to a gang of whites before the racial killing of a black teen in Bensonhurst goes on trial this week on murder and manslaughter charges.

Opening statements in the trial of Charles Stressler, 22, were scheduled for Monday in state Supreme Court in Brooklyn. His trial is the third stemming from the Aug. 23, 1989, racial killing of Yusuf Hawkins, a black teen shot to death on a Bensonhurst street when he wandered into the predominantly white neighborhood.

State Supreme Court Justice Thaddeus Owens was also expected to decide Monday whether Stressler's co-defendant, John Vento, will be tried by same the jury as Stressler.

Vento, 21, was acquitted of an intentional murder charge June 3, but that jury failed to reach a verdict on a second murder charge. Owens declared a mistrial and ordered the new trial.

Prosecutors said Stressler supplied eight to 10 bats to a gang of whites that gathered in a frenzy over rumors that blacks and Hispanics were coming to Bensonhurst to attend a birthday party.

The gang instead encountered Hawkins and three friends, who had come to the neighborhood to look at a used car. Hawkins, 16, was shot to death during the confrontation.

Stressler is charged with second-degree murder, first- and second- degree manslaughter, riot, unlawful imprisonment, and nine counts of weapons possession.

The first two defendants in the case, Keith Mondello and Joseph Fama, both 19, stood trial before different juries last spring.

Fama was convicted May 17 of second-degree murder for shooting Hawkins. Mondello, who prosecutors portrayed as the ringleader in the attack, was

cleared May 18 of manslaughter charges but convicted of riot, unlawful imprisonment, menacing, discrimination and weapons possession.

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#90273u0280 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 30) UPI - Budget negotiators put together the final details of a $500 billion deficit-cutting package they hoped would be approved at a Sunday afternoon White House meeting with President Bush.

Bush, in New York for the United Nations World Summit on Children, was to return to the capital for about two hours at mid-day to meet with budget negotiators and then return to New York.

''The propsal will be discussed and I hope that will result in agreement,'' said House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash.

Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas, appearing with Foley on ABC's ''This Week with David Brinkley,'' said, ''We don't have a deal that's signed, sealed and delivered ...(but) we have the makings of a final agreement that is not completed.''

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said details of budget process reforms remain to be settled but told reporters all other issues have apparently been resolved, including taxes.

At the White House, aides prepared for an early afternoon Rose Garden ceremony to announce that a budget pact had been reached, but officials stressed no deal was final until the president had personally signed off on it.

The negotiations recessed shortly after 2:30 a.m. Sunday. Some of the participants then met a few hours later with Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., to discuss budget procedures.

The package, if cleared at the White House meeting, mud naa

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NEW YORK (SEPT. 30) UPI - A gun-toting Brooklyn pastor was questioned by police for more than 10 hours, and surrendered his rifle, in a church burglary case in which a suspected thief was shot and killed.

But the minister, the Rev. Charles Nesbitt, said Sunday the grueling interrogation didn't bother him one bit - and only convinced him the neighborhood needed ''more police.''

''I'm not bitter. They can question me all they want,'' he said. ''We need

some more police, that's all.''

No arrests have yet been announced in the predawn break-in Saturday at the Bethesda Baptist Church in the crime-plagued Bushwick section near the border of Queens.

Nesbitt's daughter, Marlene Kelly, preparing to go to her post office job, called police after the church alarm rang at 6:30 a.m., and the pastor, who lives next door, was outside waiting when police arrived.

A man who remained unidentified Sunday was found inside the three- story building with a single gunshot in the back of the head. Police speculated that he had been one of at least two burglars who broke into the church, but for some reason, was killed and left behind.

A man at the church who asked not to be identified said the church had been thorough ransacked.

''I'll tell you one thing, there's been a whole lot of killings and robberies in this area. It's frightening,'' Nesbitt said.

Nesbitt, his wife, Doris, and a man living at the church were taken to 83rd Precinct headquarters for questioning. They were released at 5:30 p.m. Saturday.

A weary-sounding Nesbitt said before Sunday services, ''They talked to us quite a while. But everything's okay.''

Police also confiscated the reverend's rifle for ballistics tests in the case. No weapon had been found inside the church.

Just last April, Nesbitt and several ministers were interviewd by The New York Times for an article on measures being taken by clergy to protect themselves, their churches and congregations against criminals.

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#90273u0394 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

MEMPHIS, TN (SEPT. 30) UPI - About 1 million home-baked cookies should be in the hands of American troops in Saudi Arabia by the end of the week, the organizer of the drive says.

Kathy Lynn Young, owner of Kathy Lynn's Creative Corner, began the drive three weeks ago and Saturday was collection day.

She said the Pentagon will take care of shipping the cookies to the soldiers but her drive will apparently be the first and last of its kind of perishable goods.

''The original goal was a cookie per soldier. We bypassed that before the operation ever started. Maybe we can get a cookie tin per soldier,'' she said.

Operation Cookie Drop also collected thousands of letters to be passed around to the 165,000 troops, Young said.

Police routed one lane of traffic through the parking lot of Young's craft store so the cookie donations could be made.

Young, wearing a red shirt with ''General Kathy'' inscribed on it, used a bullhorn to direct about 50 volunteers.

The cookies were taped in tins and loaded into cardboard boxes which were placed in tractor-trailer rigs.

The loads will be transported to a secret location for inspection, Young said.

''We are taking security precatuions outlined to us by the Pentagon. After it leaves our hands it will be inspected by their means.

She said the cookies were originally to have been shipped from New York, but the location has since been changed three times.

Young said she started the operation to show support for the troops in the Middle East.

''We want them to know now that we're behind them because if something breaks out this type of operation would not be possible,'' she said.

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#90273u0399 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 30) UPI - Four months of hard bargaining appears to be paying off for budget negotiators in Washington. Kansas Republican Bob Dole says the negotiators should know by 10:30 a-m today... following a meeting on budget process reform. The Senate Republican leader says he assumes negotiators will have an agreement to slash the deficit by 500- BILLION dollars over five years. But- as Dole worded it- ''until we get it all together, we doN'T have anything.''

President Bush is meeting with world leaders this weekend in New York in advance of his address to the United Nations General Assembly tomorrow. The White House says Bush will talk about the Persian Gulf crisis, with one aide saying the president will likely have a ''couple of surprises.'' Bush met with six foreign leaders in revolving door meetings yesterday.

Tough anti-abortion legislation is headed for Poland's lower house and a

heated debate. It was approved yesterday by the Polish Senate. The bill would prohibit abortion except in cases where a crime was committed- as in rape or incest- or if the mother's life is in danger. Critics say the measure is a reflection of the strength of the Catholic Church in Poland.

Authorities say Typhoon Gene headed toward Tokyo today after cutting a swath through southwestern Japan. The typhoon packed winds as strong as 80 miles an hour as it hit land about 450 miles southwest of Japan's capital, flooding hundreds of homes. Two people were killed, eight were injured and one was reported missing in the typhoon.

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(SEPT. 30) UPI - Services were held yesterday in Kingston, Massachusetts, for a 13- year-old girl found buried in her neighbor's basement. About 150 family members and friends of Melissa Benoit filled the First Parish Unitarian Church while hundreds more huddled outside the simple white New England church. A bookkeeper with a history of sexual assaults is charged in the child's death.

Church leaders in Fernandina Beach, Florida, say they'll help the Nassau County School board pay the legal fees stemming from a teacher who likes to read the Bible in class. The school board ignored an attorney's warning that the readings violate the Constitution. The board says it will support the teacher. The American Civil Liberties Union plans to seek an injunction against the readings on behalf of the parents of one student.

As lawmakers struggle with the federal deficit on Capitol Hill, Americans are battling personal debt at home. A national credit reporting company says more than half of the Americans it surveyed said they are concerned about the level of personal debt they currently owe. 27 percent of those questioned described themselves as very concerned about their personal red ink.

A woman in Bellport, New York, will be arraigned on assault charges today after allegedly dragging a policeman about 50 feet with her car. Police say Natalie Thomas refused the officer's order to get out of her car because of suspended license plates. The offier tried to handcuff her through the car window. The Long Island woman allegedly put the auto in reverse and dragged the policeman about 50 feet.

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#90273u0433 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON. DC (SEPT. 30) UPI - As Germans prepare to celebrate the reunification of their divided fatherland, map makers are scrambling to meet an unprecedented demand for maps that reflect the changes in European geography.

The non-profit National Geographic Society believes it is first out of the gate with a new map of a united Germany and new atlases reflecting the historic reunification schewduled to take place Wednesday.

Spokeswoman Barbara Hand said National Geographic is rushing to print 11,000 of the new maps to meet a ''tremendous interest ... in having this map.''

The new map retails for $7.95 and will be available to the public Oct. 3, reunification day. One of the first copies will be presented to the German Embassy in Washington Thursday, and expected on hand for the presentation are the ambassador and West Berlin Mayor Walter Momper.

''It's the first time Germany has been a united nation in a long time,'' the spokeswoman said, explaining why staff cartographers rushed to put our the new map. ''We're delighted.''

The decision to publish the maps was made in early summer, before the reunification was a certainty. National Geographic was taking a chance and the chance paid off, Hand said, noting the rapid rush toward reunification did create some problems for the company, she said.

National Geographic had printed 240,000 maps for new atlases, reflecting a unified Germany, but protectively showing Bonn and Berlin as capitals. However late last Friday the West German embassy phoned to say the parliaments of both Germanys had decided on Berlin as the future capital, bringing the publication to a screeching halt.

The decision was made last Sunday to reprint the Germany pages in order to reflect Berlin as the capital. The decision carried a pricetag of $100,000, Hand said. Some 2,000 editions were bound before word of the change and Hand predicted they could become collectors items.

Travel industry giants are also rushing to put out their new atlases and travel guides reflecting the historic changes taking place in Europe.

Rand McNally, a Skokie, Ill.-based firm that bills itself as the nation's largest commericial map maker, is also rushing to put out a new atlas showing one Germany. The new publication is expected out sometime around the reunification date, said spokesman Conroy Erickson.

Fodor's Travel Guides, based in New York City, will have a new guide to Germany available by winter and the travel book will include what was East Germany, with a heavy emphasis on East Berlin.

Editorial director Michael Spring said the popular guide to Eastern Europe will also be revamped, and will no longer include what had been a large component, East Germany.

The political changes in what until recently had been the Iron Curtain are bringing handsome returns to Fodor's, which according to Spring has doubled its sales of Eastern Europe travel guides in the past year and has gone back to press three times with it to meet demand.

The changes in Eastern Europe, the Soviet Union and the recent Persian Gulf crisis have all fostered a greater interest in geography, which has translated into increased sales for the many maps, globes and atlases put out by Rand McNally, Erickson said. He noted his firm will publish, for the first time, a comprehensive regional map of the Middle East.

''We have imported Middle East maps made by foreign map makers'' for distribution in Rand McNally travel stores, Erickson said. ''The whole situation in the Middle East has created sufficient demand to justify our investment in creating the map.''

Erickson said the map is expected to be available during the first week of October and will retail $6.95. He declined say how many maps were being printed or discuss revenue projections.

Retailers say the Middle East Maps come none to soon.

While commercial and non-profit map makers are hurrying to get their products up to snuff, federal agencies with cartographic responsibilities also must make the necessary changes.

Spokesmen for the CIA and the Pentagon's Defense Mapping Agency say their agencies are awaiting word from the State Department that the new German boundaries are recognized by international commissions that are involved in cartography and boundary issues.

The German boundary changes, Saddam Hussein's continued occupation of Kuwait and volatile areas of ethnic unrest in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union are keeping federal map makers plenty busy.

However, the government apparently is taking the political changes in stride.

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(SEPT. 30) UPI - Another night of budget talks continued into the morning in Washington. But negotiators were optimistic as the discussions recessed just after 2:30 a-m saying a deal will likely be announced this afternoon. If an agreement is reached to slash the deficit... President Bush plans to fly back to the capital for a joint announcement. Bush would then return to New York, where he is preparing to address the United Nations tomorrow.

A day of debate is scheduled at the United Nations today, but the talk will

NOT be focused on the Persian Gulf crisis. The largest gathering of presidents and prime ministers ever is attending the World Summit for Children. The leaders are considering action to combat a global situation that has 40-thousand children dying each day from preventable causes.

France says it has NO evidence yet to link Iraq to a grenade attack that killed a nine-year-old French boy. But the Paris government notes the attack coincides with the arrival this weekend of four-thousand French troops in Saudi Arabia. French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas says France will respond if it is proven that Iraq sponsored Thursday night's attack on an East African cafe frequented by French citizens.

Police decline to discuss possible motives in the deaths of four whites found slain in a black township in central South Africa. Authorities are NOT holding any suspects in the attack. The mutilated and burned bodies of three men and a woman were found late yesterday. Police are ruling out any connection between the killings and black factional violence.

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(SEPT. 30) UPI - A former U-S adviser to El Salvador's military spoke about last year's killings of six Jesuit priests, their housekeeper and her teen-age daughter. The U-S Embassy says Major Eric Buckland testified in the case, despite diplomatic status that exempted him. Buckland in the past provided evidence of a military cover-up in the case. Eight members of the Salvadoran military are charged in the brutal slayings.

Japanese television reports say Typhoon Gene petered out before it hit Tokyo today, but killed four people and injured 12 in other parts. The storm moved north of Tokyo and out to sea after cutting a swath through southwestern Japan this morning. The storm flooded hundreds of homes... and comes just 10 days after another typhoon killed 38 people in Japan.

Radio reports from Yugoslavia say militant Serbians broke into police stations in four towns in Croatia to steal weapons. Croatian officials say police arrested a number of people on suspicion of stealing from police stations, while police officers who allegedly failed to do their duty were also charged. The republic has been the scene of bitter ethnic rivalry.

A water use plan by the city of Atlanta is NOT getting a warm response from other states that would also be affected. Florida says the proposed diversion of hundreds of Millions of gallons of water to Atlanta could dry up a fragile oyster industry and hurt the future of the state's seafood industry. Upstream, Georgia and Alabama are expressing concern about urban and farming interests.

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UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 30) UPI - The Soviet Union and South Korea decided Sunday to establish diplomatic relations in an apparent political thaw in North Asia also reflected by increasing contacts between rivals Japan and North Korea.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and his South Korean counterpart, Choi Ho-joong, met at the U.N. headquarters to sign an agreement that will set up embassies in Moscow and Seoul on Jan. 1, 1991.

They said in a joint declaration that they were guided by the desire for ''friendly ties and cooperation between the two countries in various fields.''

They said relations between the two nations will be based on the ''principles of mutual respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity, non-interference in internal affairs of each other, full equality and mutual benefit in accordance with the U.N. Charter.''

Shevardnadze told reporters after signing the documents, ''We have decided to set up the ties as of today.'' He said other bilateral matters will be discussed at a later date, including a meeting between the two countries' leaders.

Choi said Shevardnadze encouraged north and south Korea to continue their dialogue at the level of prime ministers to ease tensions on the peninsula. The chiefs of government are scheduled to meet for a second round of talks in Pyongyang Nov. 16.

Choi said he hoped that the Moscow-Seoul ties will have a ''favorable effect'' on the normalization of relations between his country and China.

Last week a Japanese government delegation visited Pyongyang to explore ways of restoring diplomatic ties between the Japan and North Korea. In a joint communique issued last Friday, Japan apologized for the ''unhappy past which Japan inflicted on Korea,'' and agreed to negotiate financial compensations for occupying the peninsula for some 30 years beginning in 1910.

North Korean President Kim Il-sung agreed to release two Japanese fishermen detained since 1983 and let Japanese women married to Koreans visit Japan.

Pyongyang had never recognized Japan and South Korea in protest of their joint defense pact with the United States.

The Moscow-Seoul contacts culminated with the unprecedented meeting between Presidents Mikhail Gorbachev and Roh Tae Woo in San Francisco in June.

The Soviet Union and all Soviet-bloc nations participated in the 1988 summer Olympics in Seoul to the satisfaction of South Korean officials who sought to

set up ties with Socialist nations.

The Korean peninsula was divided after World War II, with the north aligning with the Communist bloc and the south following Western democracies.

The last time a diplomat from unified Korea, under the Li dynasty with Seoul as the capital, was accredited to Moscow was before the 1917 Russian Revolution.

South Korea and the Soviet Union made cultural exchanges in the past years and their two-way trade totalled about $500 million in 1989.

South Korea maintains ''de facto consular'' relations with the Beijing government, dealing mostly in trade. But the ties will be upgraded to a full consular office in mid-October.

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#90273u0512 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (SEPT. 30) UPI - Just hours shy of a midnight deadline, President Bush and congressional budget negotiators agreed Sunday to increase gas and other taxes and slash government spending to cut the nation's deficit by $500 billion over five years.

At a Rose Garden ceremony to hail the pact, Bush, flanked by the bipartisan group of negotiators from Congress and the administration, said the new budget would include $182 billion in cuts in government spending, with defense spending accounting for $67 billion, and $134 billion in new tax revenues, mostly from a phased-in increase in the tax on gasoline.

''This is priority. This is priority for our nation,'' Bush said in announcing the agreement and pledging to set aside partisanship in seeking approval for it from the full Congress.

Bush said although he was not happy about the tax increase on gasoline, which would raise the current tax five cents in the first year and five cents in the following years, he said he was pleased that the agreement would extend the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law for another five years, as well as ''important new initiatives'' to stimulate economic growth.

And Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine said, ''Now comes the hard part.''

''This agreement is a compromise,'' Mitchell said. ''Both sides can accurately say the agreement includes provisions they don't like. ... Cutting the deficit requires difficult choices, but our nation's economic future requires that we make those choices.''

The quickly arranged White House ceremony, following a brief, final meeting between both sides, sealed the $500 billion deficit-cutting deal with Congress after four months of intensive bargaining.

With only 11 hours until a midnight deadline was to bring severe cuts in government spending, the president flew in for the sessions from New York, where he cut into a full day of business at the United Nations World Summit on Children.

But Bush made no mention of the pact not including his long-sought, controversial cut in the capital gains tax - battled by Democrats as a boon for the wealthy - but pointed to provisions extending tax credits for research and development and tax breaks for small businesses.

''This is real, not a phony smoke and mirrors deficit-cutting program,'' Bush declared.

The final round of negotiations recessed shortly after 2:30 a.m. Sunday. The package must then win the approval of the House and Senate, both of which scheduled rare Sunday sessions.

Bush said the pact, which would slash $40 billion in the first fiscal year that begins Monday, also would save a crucial $119 billion in entitlement and mandatory spending programs, and that while the cuts in discretionary programs would come principally from defense spending, ''all other discretionary programs would be firmly capped'' and only allowed to grow at the inflation rate.

''The bipartisan group of leaders and I have reached agreement on the federal budget,'' Bush said in spelling out the pact's provisions.

At the same time, he sent a strong message to investors, noting the breadth of the cuts and pledging his full support to winning passage of the package.

''Prompt enactment of this entire five-year deficit-reduction package would itself help stimulate long-term economic growth,'' Bush said. ''The leaders and I here think that these are real deficit-reduction figures. ... This package should be a strong component of a positive, responsible fiscal and monetary policy.''

''It is balanced; it is fair; and in my view, it is what the United States of America needs at this point in its history,'' he said.

Negotiators were fighting a deadline to come up with a package of tax increases and spending cuts that would reduce the deficit by $50 billion in the new fiscal year and by $500 billion over five years. After the ceremony, several congressmen said the cuts in the first year were reduced to $40 billion to take into account energy cost increases expected in light of the

Persian Gulf crisis.

Failure to reach agreement would have triggered up to $105.7 billion in automatic spending cuts, split between defense and domestic programs, and without a deal and subsequent passage of stalled spending bills, the government would run out of money and could shut down Monday.

Bush, who campaigned for the presidency in 1988 on a pledge of ''no new taxes '' said of the gasoline tax increase: ''I do not welcome any such tax measure nor do I expect anybody up here does. However, this one does have the virtue not only of contributing to deficit reduction, but also, over time, of decreasing American's dependence on foreign oil.''

The president, speaking shortly before he headed back to New York, said the pact also included incentives for domestic exploration for gas and oil resources.

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BEIJING (SEPT. 30) UPI - Chinese Premier Li Peng praised the ''relaxation'' of China's relations with the West Sunday in a National Day speech whose moderate tone contrasted sharply with last year's harsh and defensive state address.

Li spoke at an annual banquet in the Great Hall of the People held to celebrate 41 years of communist Chinese history.

China's ruling Politburo and other senior officials sat at a long table at the front of a vast room filled with government officials, foreign diplomats and invited guests.

The banquet was held on the eve of Oct. 1, the 41st anniversary of the day when the late Chairman Mao Tse-tung proclaimed the founding of China's communist regime.

Citing China's newly established ties with Saudi Arabia and Indonesia, the premier said China has strengthened regional and Third World relations and repaired damaged relations with the West.

''Now there has been substantive relaxation in (China's) relations with Western countries,'' Li said.

''The facts show that China has more and more friends and that its international status is even more enhanced,'' he said.

Li's remarks contrasted with his harsh warning of a year ago that Western countries, not China, would suffer for economic sanctions imposed to punish

China for its June 4, 1989, crackdown on democracy protestors.

Li also had lashed out last year at unidentified ''hostile foreign forces'' that he accused of trying to subvert China's socialist system, and denounced deposed Communist Party chief Zhao Ziyang by name.

Such heated remarks were conspicuously absent from this year's speech, in which the premier made bland statements praising China's efforts to wipe out corruption and crime and claimed the country's sluggish economy was ''taking an upward turn.''

A Western diplomat who attended the reception dismissed the speech as a burst of overly positive rhetoric with little meaningful content.

''Everything's good, no problems,'' was how the diplomat paraphrased Li's speech.

Li mentioned but gave no details of a new five-year economic plan to be approved at a forthcoming meeting of the ruling Communist Party Central Committee.

The meeting, known as the 7th plenum, is expected to take place following the Oct. 7 conclusion of the Beijing Asian Games.

Foreign journalists were invited to the banquet and seated at tables in the back of the room, but were brushed away by plainclothes security police when they tried to speak with senior leaders.

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VATICAN CITY (SEPT. 30) UPI - Pope John Paul II Sunday officially opened a month-long synod of bishops called to deal with the problems facing Roman Catholic priests in the modern world.

The Polish pope, wearing golden vestments and carrying a mitre, led a procession of churchmen to the altar at St. Peter's Basilica in a morning Eucharistic mass inside the world's largest Christian church which initiated the Sept. 30-Oct. 28 meeting.

Present were the ''fathers'' of the synod, the cardinals, archbishops, bishops and priests present in Rome. The official title of the synod is ''The Formation of Priests in the Circumstances of the Present Day.''

The synod, attended by 238 delegates from around the world, will attempt to strengthen the training of priests in the face of changing social and moral conditions in the modern world.

''This synod will analyze the principles and qualities that priests should have to best perform their mission,'' John Paul told a crowd gathered in sunny St. Peter's Square for his regular noon blessing.

''The Holy Spirit will be with us during this synod. I'm sure that we will be well-guided. I know that this meeting will yield substantial fruit and contribute to the improvement of the priesthood.''

John Paul asked the faithful ''to pray for your priests and support and encourage them in their pastoral ministries.''

Basis for the synod, the eighth since the Second Vatican Council ended in 1965 will be a working paper circulated among delegates in July. The document is divided into four sections:

-a description of the modern-day circumstances in society, the church and the priesthood

-the identity and mission of the priest

-vocations to the preisthood and formation leading to ordination

-ongoing priestly formation

The continuing worldwide shortage of priests will be one of the major topics up for discussion, according to Vatican watchers. But they said the touchy issue of priestly celibacy is one requirement which has no chance of being modified, although the controversial issue is certain to be discussed.

''Some priests question the requirement (of celibacy) and some candidates leave ... for this reason,'' said the synod working paper. ''The problem becomes more serious as priests live in a world dominated by eroticism.''

The number of men studying for the priesthood fell sharply in the years 1965-79, but has been slowly picking up over the past decade.

''The priesthood is undergoing a revolution,'' said Rector Luigi Conti of Rome's main seminary. ''The seminary is ideally a community where young men prepare for pastoral service and work.''

The synod working paper takes note of the difficult conditions facing priests in the 1990.

''Our age is marked by manifestations of a cultural tradition which, though rich in potential, is very unstable and uncertain,'' it says. ''As society undergoes a change, the church also finds herself involved in a transformation which concerns not only her external aspects, but deeply affects her life and task in the world.''

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(SEPT. 30) TODAY'S PEOPLE:

JAILHOUSE ROCK: Papa's got a brand new sound. James Brown, now in a work-release program in South Carolina after 15 months in prison, says he came up with a new musical form while serving his sentence and has written eight new songs. ''I got a universal sound but it's going to be James Brown,'' he told the Los Angeles Times. ''If your living in Australia, you're going to say 'That sounds like something we do.' If you live in Brazil, you'll be saying, 'That sounds Latin,' and if you're living in Germany, you'll say, 'Something's very European here.' That's the way I'm going.''

VANDALS AT GRACELAND: Elvis Presley's Graceland mansion in Memphis, Tenn., was hit by vandals Thursday night but officials says Elvis's grave was not disturbed. Police said someone scaled a fence surrounding the estate and spray-painted obscenities on the walkways. Graceland director Jack Soden said the vandals apparently entered while security guards were patrolling the opposite side of the estate so an electronic device was brought in to beef up security. The paint was cleared up before Graceland opened for visitors Friday morning. Soden said that the last such incident occurred two years ago. ''It's usually just a nut,'' he said.

MORE FROM REAGAN: Former President Ronald Reagan says eight years is not enough. Reagan, speaking at a bottlers convention in Nashville, Tenn., said he favors unlimited terms for the president and other elected officials, pointing out that generals aren't replaced during a war simply because their terms expires. Reagan said he didn't push harder for the idea during his two terms because it would have been misunderstood.

GLIMPSES: The Fleetwood Mac tour that starts Oct. 17 in Gainesville, Fla., will be the last for Christine McVie and Stevie Nicks. Although they won't go on the road with Fleetwood Mac any more, the singers will continue recording with the band. McVie plans to take a hiatus from the music business and Nicks will be pushing her solo career ... Cybill Shepherd's new boyfriend is Washington, D.C., lawyer Frank Smith, who she met last year when she was in town for an abortion rights rally. ''It's good,'' the twice-divorced Shepherd says. ''We're in love and very committed to each other'' ... The Movie Channel will air a unique version of the 1958 film ''A Touch of Evil'' on Oct. 10. It will be the 105-minute version as edited by its director, Orson Welles, and

not the 95-minute version released by the studio.

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CAIRO (SEPT. 30) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said Sunday he was willing to consider a French-sponsored peace plan that calls for the complete withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and that he wants to meet immediately with French officials to discuss points in the plan.

In what may have been a retreat from this former hard-line policy, or a tactical ploy to buy more time, Saddam called for the opening of a dialogue to replace ''threats and massive armies''.

In a statement carried by the official Iraqi news agency INA and monitored in Cairo, Saddam said he wanted to meet with French officials to consider a plan proposed by President Francois Mitterrand last Monday during a U.N. General Assembly meeting.

The plan calls for the unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the immediate release of all hostages held in Kuwait and Iraq.

The French president differed from U.S. policy by calling for a simultaneous resolution of the Palestinian problem and free elections in Kuwait. U.S. officials have said Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the Israeli 1967 occupation of the West Bank and Gaza strip are unrelated issues.

Mitterand said it was not right that the U.N. Security Council moved so quickly to vote for sanctions against Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait while moving slowly on a 20-year-old U.N. resolution calling for the withdrawal of Israeli troops from the occupied territories.

The United States has also said Kuwait's former ruling al-Sabah family must be returned to power, while Mitterand called for free elections in the emirate.

''We must view the speech of the French president, despite the objections on it, as different in its language from the others and we hope that our positive conclusion in regard to this was correct,'' Saddam said.

Saddam referred to his Aug. 12 ''initiative,'' in which he said he was willing to withdraw from the oil-rich emirate if Israel withdrew from the territories and Syria withdrew its troops from Lebanon.

The proposal was rejected outright by Israel, Syria and the United States.

Analysts have said Saddam has been backed into a corner by the aggressive U.S. policy to force him out of Kuwait. His troops face a massive multinational military force in the gulf region and his economy has been seriously squeezed

by an enforced economic embargo.

In Sunday's statement, Saddam reiterated his call for the complete withdrawal of Western forces from the region.

But in previous statements, Saddam has said the Iraqi annexation of Kuwait was irrevocable. He made no such claim in Sunday's statement, given according to INA in honor of the Prophet Mohammed's birthday on Tuesday.

Instead, he appeared to indicate he would settle for the eviction of the al-Sabah family.

''The president further stressed that among the most important things that concerned us, and that we were determined on, was that affairs should not return to the situation that preceded Aug. 2 on all levels,'' INA said.

Before the invasion, Iraq had accused the Kuwaiti government of driving down oil prices by pumping more oil than its allotment.

The al-Sabahs had also faced internal dissention. Massive pro- democracy protests this spring led the emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al- Sabah, to promise the restoration of Kuwait's Parliament, which he had dissolved in 1986.

Analysts say, however, that Saddam will not accept any solution to the crisis in which he will appear to be the loser.

''What Saddam wants now is a quiet diplomacy, free of threats, so he can change his mind regarding the occupation of Kuwait,'' said one longtime observer of the gulf region, who asked not to be identified.

''What is important is that a serious dialogue should start for exploring a possible and reasonable solution,'' Saddam said in a translation of the Arabic by INA. ''This solution should be comprehensive so that we could enjoy peace, and those concerned in the region establish their future on a solid base that would not be shaken as a result of circumstantial changes.''

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(SEPT. 30) UPI - Buget negotiators apparently see the end of the tunnel in Washington. Those taking part in the four-month-long talks say they expect a deal to finalized this morning... then announced at the White House this afternoon. The agreement is expected to involve a package of tax increases and spending cuts to reduce the nation's red ink by 500- BILLION dollars over five years. .

President Bush is in New York this weekend to attend the United Nations World Summit on Children. But the president still wants to keep his finger in the

budget talks. He plans to return to Washington at mid- day for two hours to take part in the discussions. Bush will then return to New York.

Saudi Arabia accuses Iraq of executing eight Kuwaitis for ''carrying out activities against Iraqi occupation forces.'' The Saudi news agency quotes a Kuwaiti businessman who escaped from his occupied homeland as saying Iraqi soldiers shot the Kuwaitis nine days ago, firing at them once in the head and once in the chest. 17 other Kuwaitis were reportedly taken to unknown locations. .

China is raising its eyebrows over Japan's plan to send NON-combat forces to assist the U-S-led international force in the Persian Gulf. China's Foreign Ministry has expressed official concern over the Tokyo plan, saying Japan's moves in World War Two are still fresh in Chinese minds. China is backing U-N Security Council measures against Iraq, but has opposed what it calls ''big power military involvement'' in the gulf.

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#90273u0637 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

MANTENO, IL (SEPT. 30) UPI - For someone who began reading the newspaper at 18 months, 11-year-old Loren J. Wilson II has made the adjustment to high school with little fanfare.

Loren, a seventh grader at Manteno Junior High School, now is taking English, algebra and computer science at Manteno High School.

School officials say he has made the adjustment with ease.

''I'm adjusting pretty good,'' Loren said during a recent interview. ''I'm having no problems in the classroom and most of the other kids are treating me fine. Some of the kids are a little off. I mean, I think some of them are a little jealous because I'm in high school at such a young age.''

Loren has been performing amazing feats for a long time. His parents, Loren and Kathy, said they knew he was a special child from early on.

''He was doing things that kids his age could never have done,'' the parents said.

Loren is in the top 1 percent of Illinois' nearly 2 million students from kindergarten through grade 12.

''This is a highly gifted student,'' said Wilma Lund, a consultant with the state's gifted education program.

Because of his intelligence - he was operating the phonograph at 3 and speed-reading a 4 - his mother enrolled him in special schools.

Loren attended Matteson's Raygor Day School at age 3 and read at a third or fourth grade level, according to school Director Georgiana Raygor. Since then he has been a member of the National Gifted Association.

Loren entered kindergarten at age 4 and has since attended private and public schools. ''We've tried to put Loren and his sister in the best environment anywhere we lived,'' Kathy said.

Loren's 8-year-old sister, Katherine, also is an honor student. ''She's intelligent. She has good memorization,'' Loren says of his sister.

Loren says his parents deserve the credit for his intelligence.

''I'd say my parents were very influential,'' he said. ''They were both intelligent at younger ages. When I was 1 1/2 or 2 years old, my mother would read stories to me. When I looked at the pages and she'd say the words, that's when I really learned to read. My father would take me to his job where he works as a heavy equipment operator.''

As a sixth grader, Loren took the Scholastic Aptitude Test, which is designed for college-bound juniors, and scored 700 out of a possible 1600, said David Nelson of Manteno Junior High School. On his sixth grade standardized tests, Loren scored in the 99th percentile and at 12th-grade equivalents in most subjects, Nelson said.

As a result of his performance, his teachers and Manteno school officials decided to allow Loren to spend mornings with his 7th grade class but permitted him to take freshman algebra, computer programming and college-prep English in the afternoon.

If Loren adjusts to his new courses, he could graduate from Manteno High School at age 14, school officials said.

Loren, however, who wants to be ''some kind of a lawyer,'' is not making any predictions about his future. He's too busy with his latest challenges.

''I like this better than junior high because for the first time I'm being challenged,'' he said. ''I'm still adjusting but maybe later I can go to high school full time.''

Loren has become known as Manteno's ''Doogie Howser'' - the television character who is a child prodigy and physician.

''I would never be a doctor,'' said Loren. ''I hate the sight of blood. I once fainted in class because we were talking about blood and platelets. I just went out.''

Meanwhile, Loren is busy with typical high school activities - like preparing for his role in the upcoming production of ''Bye, Bye, Birdie.''

The three-day production opens Oct. 11.

''I'm excited about the play,'' he said. ''I already know most of my lines and half of my songs.''

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#90273u0655 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 30) UPI - It appears budget negotiators may be on the verge of agreement on a package of tax increases and spending cuts to slash the deficit by 500- BILLION-dollars over five years. White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater says details of budget process reforms remain to be settled... but he told reporters all other issues apparently have been resolved- including taxes. President Bush plans to return to Washington from New York to wrap up the agreement.

The State Department is warning Americans abroad there are ''growing indications'' that they could become targets of terrorist attacks by pro-Iraqi elements. A statement aired by Voice of America radio advises U-S citizens to be cautious, especially near American-owned buildings or businesses and U-S military installations. The statement said such attacks could occur in the near future- quote- ''under the sponsorship of Iraq in Europe and the Middle East.'' .

In another development, a London newspaper reports that an unnamed senior British army officer says Britain would respond with nuclear weapons if Iraq attacks with chemical weapons. The officer reportedly is part of a unit being dispatched to the Gulf and which is normally equipped with three nuclear weapons systems. Britain's Ministry of Defense refuses to confirm the report or comment on the brigade's nuclear capability.

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LOS ANGELES (SEPT. 30) UPI - Tony-award winning producer Lawrence Kasha, whose credits included the Broadway shows ''Applause'' and ''Woman of the Year '' has died, a spokeswoman said Sunday. He was 57.

Kasha, who also wrote, produced and directed many recent episodes of the television series, ''Knots Landing,'' died Saturday at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. A spokeswoman said he suffered from brain cancer.

Kasha was still a high school student at Brooklyn's James Madison High School when he conceived and created his first musical, called, ''Sing,'' which later inspired a film by the same name.

While studying at New York University and the American Academy of Dramatic Arts, he began producing plays in Greenwich Village. In 1964, he produced his first Broadway musical, ''She Loves Me,'' with partner Hal Prince.

After directing Barbra Streisand in the London production of ''Funny Girl,'' and the Lincoln Center opening production of ''Showboat,'' Kasha in 1970 garnered his first Tony as producer of ''Applause,'' starring Lauren Bacall.

In 1981, he produced ''Woman of the Year,'' which brought him four more Tonys.

After working for several years with CBS-Lorimar's ''Knots Landing,'' Kasha returned to the stage in 1987 to direct a revival of ''Singin' in the Rain.'' He most recently produced ''At Wit's End,'' a one-man show abut the life of Oscar Levant.

Kasha is survived by his younger brother Al Kasha, an Oscar-winning motion picture score composer; his sister-in-law Ceil and a niece, Dana. The family asked that remembrances be sent to the American Cancer Society.

He is to be buried Tuesday at Hillside Memorial Chapel in Los Angeles. Memorial services in both New York and Los Angeles are to be announced.

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(SEPT. 30) UPI - South African police say they found the partially dismembered and burned bodies of four whites in a black township near the central city of Welkom late yesterday. A police spokesman says the four apparently had visited a bar in the township yesterday afternoon, but he declined to speculate on a possible motive for the killings. A Department of Law and Order spokesman ruled out any connection between the slayings and a wave of factional black violence that has raged in the past six weeks.

The World Summit for Children continues today at the United Nations headquarters in New York. It's the largest gathering of presidents and prime ministers ever- with more than 70 heads of state attending. Chile's president was the first to address the meeting, saying 40- thousand children die every day from causes that could be avoided and prevented.

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#90273u0676 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

SOWETO, South Africa (SEPT. 30) UPI - Black leader Nelson Mandela Sunday welcomed the top military strategist of the African National Congress, and said Pretoria's decision not to prosecute the man boosts chances for talks on ending apartheid.

But Mandela and Chris Hani also reasserted that the government's tough military-style reaction to factional black violence contradicts the spirit of preliminary peace talks aimed at clearing the way to full- blown power-sharing negotiations.

The ANC military wing abandoned its armed struggle Aug. 6 in exchange for promises of further racial reforms.

Hani, the military wing's chief of staff, said Sunday that he supported negotiations but repeated his warning that the ANC might renew its armed struggle if negotiations fail. A similar statement last month angered Pretoria and led to the possibility of Hani's arrest if he entered the country.

Pretoria earlier granted immunity from prosecution to Hani and several senior ANC figures who had been living in exile. But Pretoria on Aug. 19 refused to renew Hani's three-month immunity, citing the militaristic comments he made while in South Africa's nominally independent tribal territory the Transkei.

The ANC insisted Hani, a 48-year-old Congress veteran and acknowledged hawk, was indispensible to talks on abolishing 42 years of white rule, and the government Thursday backed down and granted him immunity until Dec. 31, allowing him to return from the eastern Transkei territory.

''The granting of this ... indemnity will help restore a more positive atmosphere in which (talks) can take place,'' Mandela said Sunday. ''We are pleased to note that common sense has at last prevailed.''

Mandela mocked a statement by Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok that residents of black townships are thanking police and soldiers for cracking down on the strife, saying, ''We are very much used to fairy tales from members of the government, including Mr. Vlok.''

Police reported Sunday at least three people were killed overnight in flashpoint black townships around Johannesburg as a result of violence that spokesman Capt. Piet van Deventer said was ''possibly related'' to black-on-black battles.

Police did not link the murder late Saturday of four whites in a black township north of the central city of Welkom to political activity, and a spokesman said, ''It looks like a criminal attack.''

The joint appearance of the ANC leaders at Mandela's Soweto home followed the first two legal congresses of the movement in South Africa in 31 years, one Saturday in the Johannesburg area, the other Saturday and Sunday in Cape Town. Both meetings were marked by hard-line comments on Pretoria's handling of the now largely dormant black-on-black strife.

Mandela, 72, had spent Sunday morning in door-to-door canvassing across the

Soweto suburb of Orlando West to sign up members for the ANC. He was warmly greeted at every home and said later, ''If they were not already members, they joined immediately. ... They also said we should do something constructive to end the violence.''

Hani said Pretoria's anti-violence steps, codenamed ''Iron Fist'' and imposed in mid-September, ''definitely do not'' address root causes of the strife which killed as many as 800 people in more than six weeks, and are being used to ''hinder and obstruct the activities of the ANC.''

The predominantly Xhosa support of the ANC has been battling followers of the exclusively Zulu Inkatha movement.

Mandela said President de Klerk made ''serious mistakes'' in imposing the measures, despite statistics showing they largely restored peace to the strife-torn townships straddling Johannesburg.

He said ''Iron Fist'' measures run ''contrary'' to the Aug. 6 pact struck by the government and the ANC which led the movement to suspend its 29-year-old guerrilla war against white minority rule in exchange for promises of an acceleration of the racial reforms launched by de Klerk in February.

Speakers at the historic ANC congresses had slammed the government for its reaction to the internecine fighting. ANC Treasurer-General Thomas Nkobi said in Cape Town Saturday that the government had a dual agenda: ''to negotiate with the ANC for the purposes of responding to international pressure'' and to promote the bloody violence ''in order to weaken the ANC.''

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#90273u0697 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

FOXBORO, MA (SEPT. 30) UPI - New England Patriots owner Victor Kiam, responding to the sexual harassment of a woman sports writer in the team locker room, Sunday vowed ''mammoth changes'' in team management.

Kiam had earlier shrugged off the Sept. 17 incident as a ''flyspeck in the ocean.'' But in televised interviews Sunday, he blasted Patriots officials for not informing him of the incident until the following weekend. He also said he was given wrong information by management, which resulted in Kiam making false accusations.

Boston Herald sportswriter Lisa Olson says that on Sept. 17, receiver Zeke Mowatt suggested she perform oral sex in the locker room. She says four other players ''egged'' Mowatt on and while they were naked approached her.

After the Patriots' Sept. 23 game at Cincinnati, Kiam was heard by several reporters describing Olson as ''a classic bitch.''

But Kiam said on Sunday's NBC program ''NFL Live,'' the controversy is ''is a grievous injury to a lovely young lady. Lisa Olson is a lady. Lisa Olson was assigned a responsibility. She was carrying out her responsibility. The statements that I made were based on information forwarded to me from personnel of the Patriots.''

Kiam, who lives in western Connecticut, was not in the locker room when the incident took place.

In live interviews with several television sports programs, Kiam hinted General Manager Patrick Sullivan's job may be in jeopardy.

''I've already had a discussion with Patrick. He's issuing a statement this afternoon,'' Kiam told CBS's ''NFL Today.''

''We're certainly going to investigate who was knowledgable within the organization and certainly the top echelon of this organization has got to be adjusted,'' Kiam told ESPN. ''I cannot really detail it now.''

''I would say there will be mammoth changes,'' he told NBC's ''NFL Live.''

Kiam also called on any Patriots player who witnessed or participated in the alleged harassment to step forward.

Last week, the Patriots fined Mowatt $2,000 for his part in the incident but then declared their investigation complete. The NFL, responding to demands from the Boston Herald, launched an investigation and Commissioner Paul Tagliabue said he would appoint a special counsel to investigate the matter.

Kiam took out full-page newspaper ads Sunday, denying he ever called Olson a ''classic bitch'' and apologizing for having trivialized the locker room incident.

The advertisement appeared in The Boston Sunday Globe and The New York Times with three large-print, bold-faced statements by Kiam that assert ''There's no excuse for what happened in the locker room,'' I ''

Olson, also appearing on ''NFL Live'' said Kiam's actions are ''a start.''

''The players involved must be identified,'' she said. ''Zeke Mowatt is taking the brunt of the punishment. He certainly deserves it. He does not deserve it all ... It was a premeditated act. It was planned an hour and a half before it happened. This is not the end.''

Olson said she could not identify the other four players involved, saying she tried not to look up when the incident occured.

She said she received calls from two Patriots players last week who warned her the team may try to link her romantically with Patriots players because of the scandal.

''I'm the victim here. They're going to put me on trial,'' Olson said.

''This was far beyond boys-will-be-boys. It was premeditated. It was the most disgusting, humiliating thing I have ever gone through in my life. I'm still a reporter. The whole time, I've been trying to act professionally. That's all I ask of these guys.''

The Patriots have a history of such incidents. A female television reporter was harassed by two players in 1988, and two years previous another female sports writer was harassed by a player who wanted her to leave the locker room.

Sullivan, 37, has been the Patriots general manager since 1983. His father, Bill Sullivan Jr., was awarded the franchise in 1959. Kiam bought the Patriots from Sullivan in October 1988 and Patrick Sullivan stayed on as general manager.

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(SEPT. 30) UPI - Budget negotiators appear close to a deal after a night of talks that House Speaker Thomas Foley called ''the most successful'' yet. But Foley says some matters remain to be resolved. Negotiators are fighting a midnight deadline to come up with a package of tax increases and spending cuts to slash the deficit by 500-BILLION dollars over five years. .

If negotiators fail to reach agreement, it would trigger massive automatic spending cuts, split between defense and domestic programs. President Bush plans to return to Washington for about two hours today to meet with negotiators to wrap up the budget agreement. Bush then plans to return to New York for the U-N's world summit on children.

President Bush today called on world leaders to help save Millions of children dying of disease and malnutrition. In a speech for delivery at the U-N's World Summit for Children, Bush cited steps the United States is taking to reduce infant mortality and to improve the health of both mothers and children.

The State Department is warning of possible terrorist attacks against Americans abroad. In a statement read by Voice of America radio, the department said there are ''growing indications'' Americans may become targets ''in the near future'' of attacks by pro-Iraqi elements. .

In other developments today in the Gulf crisis, Saudi Arabia accused Iraqi authorities of executing eight Kuwaitis. In a dispatch from Bahrain, the Saudi news agency reported that Iraqi soldiers executed the Kuwaitis a week ago for-

quote- ''carrying out activities against Iraqi occupation forces.'' It says each was shot once in the head and once in the chest.

In London, a British newspaper reports an unnamed senior British army officer as warning Britain will respond with nuclear weapons if Iraq troops attack British forces with chemical weapons. The paper says the officer is part of a brigade being dispatched to the Gulf and which is normally equipped with three nuclear weapons systems.

South African police are ruling out the killings of four whites in a black township to a recent wave of bloody factional black violence. Police say unknown attackers mutilated, burned and killed the three men and one woman near the central South African city of Welkom. Police declined to speculate on a possible motive for the killings.

New York City police say thieves broke into a hall used by the world- renowned Harlem Boys Choir early today and carted off a steel safe belonging to the troupe. Detectives are NOT sure just how much money was in the safe. Police say the thieves, at least one of them armed with a gun, tied up a security guard, but the guard was NOT injured.

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#90273u0806 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

KIEV, Ukraine, U.S.S.R. (SEPT. 30) UPI - More than 100,000 Ukrainian nationalists marched through Kiev Sunday, demanding secession, independence for a non-communist Ukraine and support for a general strike on Monday.

Older Ukrainians called the demonstration, organized by the Rukh nationalist movement and other groups, the largest in Kiev during the 72-year Soviet period. Many said the only precedents were rallies in 1905 during an abortive revolution against Czar Nicholas II.

Witnesses reported seeing army troop concentrations outside Kiev Sunday. But there was no official confirmation of troop movements near the capital of the Ukraine, which is second in importance only to the giant Russian Federation in industrial might, agricultural wealth and population.

Beneath a sea of blue and yellow national flags and banners, the marchers first rallied in the city's main soccer stadium pledging support for the strike slated to start Monday morning and to last eight hours.

Organizers from Rukh, the Green ecological movement and other groupings said the three demands of the strike on Monday are: no agreements with Moscow on keeping the Ukraine in the Soviet Union, depoliticizing the KGB scret police and nationalization of all Communist Party property.

The assembly then passed a resolution calling for secession of the Ukraine

from the Soviet Union and dismantling Kiev's statue of the founder of the Soviet state Vladimir Lenin.

Under the watchful eyes of riot police, the demonstrators marched three miles into the center of city, chanting slogans calling for the Ukraine to reject a new proposed Union Treaty with Moscow that would keep the republic part of the 15-republic Soviet Union.

''No agreements with Moscow,'' they shouted, demanding that Ukrainian leaders pay no heed to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachevs plans for forging a new Union Treaty to replace the 1922 national compact that set up the Soviet Union.

Observers estimated the crowd at more than 100,000. The official Tass news agency, which reported the demonstration in a dispatch from Kiev, gave no crowd estimate.

Filling the wide streets of Kiev, rebuilt from rubble after World War II, the marchers chanted and waved banners and slogans calling for an end to Communist control of their republic.

''Dissolve the Communist Party and nationalize its property,'' read one banner hoisted by the marchers who repeatedly sang: ''We will fight for a free Ukraine and its glory.''

As the 90-minute procession wound through the city of 2.5 million people, third largest in the Soviet Union, residents stood on balconies, waved support to the marchers and shouted: ''Down with the Red Mafia.''

At the head of the procession, the demonstrators carried a wooden coffin painted with the slogan, ''Down with the Empire.'' As they headed to the Lenin Museum, they whistled in derision at riot police along the way.

When the marchers found the steps to the Lenin Museum blocked by KGB security police, they threw the symbolic coffin to the ground, broke it and then trampled it into smithereens.

Even a one-day strike in the Ukraine, the coal mining center and a major breadbasket of the nation, would be a hard blow for the Soviet Union whose economy needs great reserves of coal and a strong harvest as winter approaches.

Although almost all of the Soviet republics have passed declarations of sovereignty, secession by the Ukraine, the size of France, would be a fatal blow to any new union of Soviet states envisioned by Gorbachev.

Located on the Black Sea with major ports, the Ukraine by virtue of its size and location is a potential European econonic dynamo. It covers an area of 171,770 square miles, has a population of some 55,000, and possesses besides Kiev such major cities as Kharkov, Donetsk, Odessa, Dnepropetrovsk, Lvow and

Krivoi Rog.

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#90273u0818 09/30/1990 ~United Press International
BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (SEPT. 30) UPI - A high-ranking Croatian official Sunday accused Serbia's communist-led government of stirring up ethnic unrest that may plunge this multi-national country into civil war.

Ethnic tensions in Yugoslavia's western Croatia republic rose further as groups of Serbs demanded protection from the Yugoslav armed forces and asked the authorities to release many Serbs arrested in the past three days, Zagreb Radio said.

Hundreds of militant Serbs over the weekend broke into Croatian police stations in at least four Serbian-dominated towns and seized weapons which they said would use to defend themselves from the new Croatian nationalist government that allegedly pursues anti-Serbian policies.

Croatian authorities and police Sunday urged Serbs to return rifles and guns they had stolen from police stations, the radio said.

Croatian police have arrested an unspecified number of Serbs who were involved in ethnic riots and raids on police stations. A number of police officers, believed to be Serbians who assisted the demonstrators, were also arrested for allegedly failing to fullfil their duties.

Protesting Serbs demanded Croatian special task police must leave Serbian-dominated towns in Croatia and let local police maintain order, the radio said.

Ethnic unrest has been reported in the Croatian towns of Petrinja, Glina, Dvor Na Uni, Donji Lapac, Obrovac, Benkovac and Knin.

Vladimir Seks, vice-president of the new Croatian non-communist assembly, Sunday said the Serbian leadership in Belgrade was pulling the strings of the current Serbian revolt in Croatia.

In his statement on Zagreb Radio, Seks said, ''We shall not permit much longer that Croatia is destabilized and turned into a new Lebanon. This is an assault of pro-Chetnick gangs (of extreme Serbian royalist) who are under direct control of the Serbian government of President Slobodan Milosevic and the Serbian dominated-part of the Yugoslav state presidency the wish to destroy Yugoslavia and turn it into a big Serbia.''

Seks said Serbian nationalists plan to destabilize liberal republics in the west of the Yugoslav federation and then ''provoke a civil war and force the military to react.

''Croatia must act resolutely so not to lose confidence among its people and finally put an end to those terrorist groups and their policy,'' Seks told the radio.

In Petrinja, 30 miles southeast of Zagreb, several hundred Serbs, including women with small children, spent the night Saturday to Sunday at the Yugoslav army barracks to dramatize they fears from Croatian special task police. Petrinja authorities could not convince the Serbs the special police force would not harm them, Zagreb radio said.

During the riots, Josip Bozicevic, the 27-year-old officer of the Croatian special police force, was recovering in a hospital from firearms wounds he suffered Friday afternoon in Petrinja. Bozicevic was not on the danger list, said doctors in Zagreb, the Croatian capital, 250 miles west of Belgrade.

At least five Yugoslav journalists have been assaulted and injured by rioters, Yugolav news media said.

In the Knin region, with a majority Serbian population some 180 miles south of Zagreb, Serbian vigilantes blocked roads Sunday demanding the release of the arrested Serbs, Belgrade Radio said.

This radio said Yugoslav President Borisav Jovic, who represents Serbia republic in the federal 8-man collective presidency, has cut short his current visit to the United Nations in New York and was returning home to Belgrade because of the ethnic crisis.

Many of about 600,000 Serbs who live in Croatia, the second biggest of Yugoslavia's six republics, fear the new Croatian nationalist government may violate their human rights.

But, many of 4.6 million Croatians fear domination by the 8.5 million-strong Serbian majority in the loose Yugoslav federation of 23 million people.

Serbs constitute a majority in Yugoslavia's police and armed forces.

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#90273u0854 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 30) UPI - Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas says budget negotiators have the makings of a final budget deal. Dole says- quote- ''It's NOT a perfect package,'' but he says he thinks it's a ''good package'' and hopes to get an agreement. Dole says the 500- BILLION-dollar deficit-cutting deal contains taxes. But he says negotiators ''didn't touch Social Security.''

More than 70 world leaders are meeting at the United Nations today for day-long discussions to ensure the survival of children. President Bush told

the leaders at the World Summit for Children that some one- thousand babies would perish in the first hour of the conference because of poverty and disease. He urged the world's leaders to listen to children... saying ''they will also teach us of a child's need to be nourished, in body and spirit.''

American fears of Iraqi terrorism are heating up. The State Department warned over the Voice of America radio today that there are ''growing indications'' Americans abroad may become targets of terrorist attacks by pro-Iraqi elements. The warning advised U-S citizens overseas to be particularly cautious when near U-S-owned buildings or businesses and U-S military installations.

Voters went to the polls in Hungary today in nationwide municipal elections, completing the country's political revolution. The balloting is expected to sweep away thousands of communist bureaucrats who still dominate political life in the towns and rural areas six months after their party lost power. The voting also is seen as a first referendum on the performance of the new democratically elected government.

In Bonn, three days before the reunification of Germany, polls show West German Chancellor Kohl and his conservative Christian Democrats surged ahead of the rival Social Democrats. The polls reinforce predictions that Kohl and the combined West and East German Christian Democrats will walk away with the first all-German elections on December 2nd.

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#90273u1032 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 30) UPI - President Bush and congressional budget negotiators today reached agreement on a deficit package that would slash the nation's deficit by 500-BILLION-dollars over five years. Agreement came just hours shy of a midnight deadline. The deal calls for increasing gasoline and other taxes.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says he's willing to consider a French-sponsored peace plan that calls for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait. Saddam made the comments in a statement carried by the official Iraqi news agency I-N-A. He said he wants to meet immediately with French officials to discuss points in the plan. .

Saddam called for the opening of a dialogue to replace what he termed ''threats and massive armies.'' His comments may be seen as a retreat from his former hard-line policy... or a tactical ploy to buy more time. France has differed from U-S policy by calling for a simultaneous resolution of the Palestinian problem and free elections in Kuwait.

More French troops arrived in Saudi Arabia today. The arrival of the elite units of the French Foreign Legion and a marine regiment coincided with news reports that French President Mitterrand plans to visit the Persian Gulf,

perhaps as early as this week. A total of four-thousand French troops are expected by tomorrow.

Children were at the forefront today as they led more than 70 world leaders into the U-N General Assembly for a day-long world summit on children. The summit is expected to adopt a solemn declaration to improve the lot of children worldwide and a plan of action to cut down on the daily deaths of 40-thousand children.

Unrest in the Israeli-occupied territories has left three Palestinians dead in one of the most violent days in the territories in months. Palestinian and Israeli military sources say Israeli soldiers shot and killed a 54-year-old Palestinian and wounded 21 others... while masked men gunned down two suspected Arab collaborators.

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#90273u1173 09/30/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 1) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

FOOTBALL

New England - Named Bob Romano as vice president for finance.

HOCKEY

Minnesota - Acquired defenseman Peter Taglianetti from Winnipeg for future considerations.

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#90273u1209 09/30/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 1) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
x-Pittsburgh	94	65	.591	-	49-30	45-35	9-1	W-7
New York	89	70	.560	5	52-29	37-41	6-4	L-2
Montreal	82	77	.516	12	44-34	38-43	1-9	L-1
Philadel.	76	83	.478	18	40-38	36-45	7-3	W-1
Chicago	75	84	.472	19	39-42	36-42	4-6	W-2
St. Louis	70	89	.440	24	34-47	36-42	4-6	L-4
West								
x-Cincinnati	89	70	.560	-	44-34	45-36	6-4	L-3
Los Angeles	84	75	.528	5	45-33	39-42	5-5	L-4
San Fran.	84	75	.528	5	48-29	36-45	8-2	W-7
Houston	74	85	.465	15	49-32	25-53	6-4	W-4

San Diego	74	85	.465	15	37-44	37-41	3-7	W-3
Atlanta	63	96	.396	26	37-43	26-53	3-7	L-5

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-- AROUND THE NL --

Cubs 6, Mets 5

NEW YORK (SEPT. 30) UPI - Ryne Sandberg broke a tie with a ninth-inning ground ball Sunday, giving the Chicago Cubs a 6-5 victory over New York in a game that ended after the Mets' elimination from the National League East race.

Sandberg grounded a ball to shortstop Howard Johnson, who made an error on the play. Sandberg, however, received credit for the RBI that made a winner of Jose Nunez, 4-7. Mitch Williams got one out for his 15th save. John Franco, 5-3, lost his third straight decision.

With Mets ahead 5-2 in the eighth, the scoreboard flashed news of Pittsburgh's victory over St. Louis that clinched the division title. The crowd of 39,195 at Shea Stadium gave the Mets a one-minute ovation.

Phillies 2, Expos 1

MONTREAL (UPI) - Wes Chamberlain scored the first run and and singled home the winner lifting the Philadelphia Phillies to a 2-1 win over the Montreal Expos.

It was Montreal's ninth loss in its last 10 games.

Terry Mulholland allowed just five hits as he improved his record to 9-10. Rookie southpaw Chris Nabholz fell to 6-2 for Montreal after winning six straight decisions since he was called up from the minors.

Padres 3, Reds 0

CINCINNATI (UPI) - Derek Lilliquist permitted four hits over six innings while Joe Carter and Jerald Clark singled in runs to lift San Diego to a 3-0 win over Cincinnati giving the Padres a three-game series sweep of the National Legue West champion Reds.

The Reds, who clinched the division title Saturday, started only two regulars in Sunday's game, center fielder Billy Hatcher and right fielder Glenn Braggs.

Lilliquist, 5-11, struck out five and walked two. Greg Harris pitched the final three innings for his ninth save.

Jose Rijo, 14-8, whose next start will be in the opening game of the National

League playoffs against Pittsburgh on Thursday, pitched the first five innings surrendering four hits and two runs, one of them earned. The right-hander struck out five and walked two.

Pirates 2, Cardinals 0

ST. LOUIS (UPI) - The Pittsburgh Pirates, with ace right-hander Doug Drabek finalizing his Cy Young credentials, clinched their first National League East title in 11 years with a 2-0 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals.

By taking their seventh straight victory, the Pirates earned the right to face the West Division champion Reds in the NL playoffs beginning Thursday night in Cincinnati.

Neither team has reached the playoffs since 1979, when Pittsbugh swept Cincinnati in three games then topped the Baltimore Orioles in a seven-game World Series.

Drabek, 22-6, hurled a three-hitter, leaving the Pirates at least four games ahead of second-place New York with three games to play, and eliminating any chance of the Mets overtaking Pittsburgh in their three- game series this week.

Astros 6, Braves 2

HOUSTON (UPI) - Mark Portugal allowed three hits over seven innings and drove in a run, and Casey Candaele added a two-run single leading the Houston Astros to a 6-2 victory over the Atlanta Braves.

Portugal, 11-10, had a no-hitter through five innings before Jeff Treadway and Ron Gant led off the sixth with consecutive singles. Portugal, who struck out five and walked six in Houston's final home game of the season, left after loading the bases with none out in the eighth.

Jim Clancy pitched two innings for his first save. Tom Glavine, 10- 12, took the loss.

Giants 8, Dodgers 2

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) - Robby Thompson homered and added two singles and Rick Reuschel pitched five shutout innings to lead the San Francisco Giants to an 8-2 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Thompson also stole two bases, drove in two runs and scored three as the Giants completed a three-game series sweep that pulled them into a second-place tie with Los Angeles.

Reuschel, 3-6, making his second start since coming off the disabled list Sept. 17, notched his first victory since April 29. Raphael Novoa pitched four

innings for his first save. Loser Fernando Valenzuela, 13- 13, lasted four innings.

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#90273u1263 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - Here are some of the major provisions of the $500 billion, five-year deficit-reduction agreement reached Sunday by White House and congressional budget negotiators, according to budget director Richard Darman.

The accord cuts the deficit by $40 billion in fiscal year 1991, which begins Monday, and by $500 billion over five years. The budget blueprint still must be passed by both the House, and Senate and the tax increases and spending cuts it requires must be implemented in separate legislation and signed by President Bush.

TAX INCREASES

Taxes and fees would raise $16.2 billion next year and $133.8 over five years. Major changes include the following:

-A phased-in, 10-cent increase in the federal gasoline tax, now 9 cents a gallon, by 5 cents the first year and 5 cents the following year.

-Though not absolutely determined, taxes on alcoholic beverages would be raised, $1.20 per gallon on hard liquor, probably a doubling of the tax on beer to 32 cents a six-pack, and table wine taxes would rise to 24 cents per bottle.

-The federal cigarette tax would be raised from 16 cents to 20 cents per pack in 1991 and to 24 cents per pack in 1993.

-A new 10 percent luxury excise tax would be established for cars costing more than $30,000, private boats costing over $100,000, jewelry costing more than $5,000 and furs priced above $5,000.

-Some $4.04 billion in fees would be raised for the Bank Insurance Fund assessment by charging banks a higher percentage on deposits.

DEFENSE

-Pentagon spending would be cut by $9.8 billion in fiscal 1991, $22.6 billion in 1992 and $34.8 billion in 1993. The following two years were not covered by the agreement. Additional costs of Operation Desert Shield in the Middle East also would be handled under a separate spending bill.

MEDICARE

-Program costs would be cut by $30 billion from providers and $30 billion by raising the deductibles for beneficiaries from $100 in the coming year to $150 in 1993-95 and hiking the premium level to a cap of about 30 percent. However, a $2 billion offset was included to help elderly people living around the poverty level to pay their premiums.

In addition, Darman said the following entitlement programs were slated for cuts during the five-year period:

-Agriculture programs, $13 billion, through a comobination of target price and/or base acred reduction programs.

-Repeal of the civil service retirement fund lump sum payments, with a 30-day grace period; $8.1 billion.

-Postal service, $4.2 billion, requiring Postal Service to pickup employer health care component of annuties, now paid out of general revenues, and $1.9 billion by requiring Postal Service to increase contributions to pay for cost-of-living increases for employes retiring.

-Miscellaneous, $1.6 billion, mostly reform of government purchases of pharmaceuticals.

-Student loan programs, $2 billion, by moving to disqualify schools with the worst default records.

-Rail Fund Pension Liability contribution, $200 million.

-FHA, $2.5 billion.

-Delaying unemployment insurance benefits at federal level for two weeks, $4.6 billion.

-Veterans, $2.7 billion, with specific policy changes not specified.

-Unspecified entitlements and fees, $3 billion.

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#90273u1344 09/30/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 30) UPI - After months of wrangling, administration and congressional budget negotiators finally agreed on a deficit-reduction package. The deal came just hours shy of a midnight deadline... and it calls for increasing gasoline and other taxes and slashing government spending to cut the nation's deficit by 500-BILLION dollars over five years. .

President Bush hailed the pact at a Rose Garden ceremony, saying- ''This is real, NOT a phony smoke and mirrors deficit-cutting program.'' But the

president made NO mention that the pact does NOT include his long-sought, controversial cut in the capital gains tax... which Democrats had fought against as boon for the wealthy.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says he'll consider a French-sponsored peace plan calling for Iraq's complete withdrawal from Kuwait. He said in a statement he wants to meet immediately with French officials to discuss the plan. .

Saddam's statements come as Gulf news reports say there were widespread demonstrations in several Iraqi cities to protest the country's deteriorating economic situation. Analysts say the U-N economic embargo has caused severe shortages of food and other goods in Iraq, which starts a tough new rationing program tomorrow.

In Liberia, rebel leader Prince Johnson is declaring all-out war on rival rebel forces... ending a fragile cease-fire in the war-torn nation. Johnson said there is now NO hope of peace talks to end the nine-month-old civil war in Liberia and he declared the ''only solution is violence'' to establish real democracy in the country.

Pope John Paul the Second officially opened a month-long synod of bishops at the Vatican today. The synod, attended by 238 delegates from around the world, was called to deal with the problems facing Roman Catholic priests in the modern world. Vatican watchers say the continuing worldwide shortage of priests will be one of the major topics up for discussion.

Divers are searching a shallow Northern California lake for the last of seven people believed to have died in the crash of a World War Two plane yesterday. Rescuers pulled three bodies from the frigid waters of Clear Lake yesterday and three more were recovered today. The plane went down while making low passes at the lake for the 11th annual ''Seaplane Fly-in.''

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(OCT. 1) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	3	1	0	.750	92	75	2-1	W-2
Miami	3	1	0	.750	88	57	2-0	W-1
New York Jets	2	2	0	.500	88	89	1-1	W-1
New England	1	3	0	.250	60	119	1-2	L-2
Indianapolis	1	3	0	.250	58	89	0-2	W-1

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	3	0	0	1.000	87	43	0-0	W-3
Houston	2	2	0	.500	77	84	0-1	W-2
Cleveland	1	3	0	.250	48	85	1-0	L-3
Pittsburgh	1	3	0	.250	32	70	1-1	L-2

WEST

LA Raiders	4	0	0	1.000	75	35	2-0	W-4
Kansas City	3	1	0	.750	98	48	0-1	W-2
Denver	2	2	0	.500	95	97	2-1	L-1
San Diego	1	3	0	.250	61	69	0-0	L-1
Seattle	0	3	0	.000	44	68	0-2	L-3

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	4	0	0	1.000	106	47	3-0	W-4
Washington	3	1	0	.750	101	51	3-0	W-2
Dallas	1	3	0	.250	56	92	0-3	L-3
Philadelphia	1	3	0	.250	91	95	0-2	L-1
Phoenix	1	3	0	.250	40	118	1-2	L-2

CENTRAL

Chicago	3	1	0	.750	77	53	2-0	L-1
Tampa Bay	3	1	0	.750	98	96	3-0	W-2
Green Bay	2	2	0	.500	76	93	1-1	W-1
Detroit	1	3	0	.250	83	99	0-3	L-2
Minnesota	1	3	0	.250	89	69	0-2	L-2

WEST

San Francisco	3	0	0	1.000	58	38	2-0	W-3
Atlanta	1	2	0	.333	74	67	0-1	L-2
Los Angeles Rams	1	2	0	.333	80	77	0-0	L-1
New Orleans	1	2	0	.333	43	52	0-1	W-1

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(OCT. 1) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

TORONTO

	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson cf	5	2	3	1
Fernandz ss	5	2	3	0
Gruber 3b	4	3	0	0
McGriff 1b	6	0	4	3
Bell lf	6	0	3	2

BOSTON

	ab	r	h	bi
Reed 2b	5	1	3	0
Quintana 1b	4	0	1	1
Boggs 3b	4	0	1	1
Burks cf	3	1	0	0
Greenwell lf	4	1	2	0

Ducey lf	0	0	0	0	Evans dh	3	0	0	1
Olerud dh	4	0	2	1	Brunnsky rf	4	1	1	1
Myers c	1	0	0	0	Pena c	3	1	2	1
Borders c	4	0	0	0	Rivera ss	2	0	0	0
Lee 2b	4	1	2	0	Romine ph	1	0	0	0
Felix rf	5	2	2	1	Barrett 2b	0	0	0	0
					Stone ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	44	10	19	8	Totals	34	5	10	5

Toronto	130	030	300-10
Boston	101	200	100- 5

DP-Toronto 2, Boston 1. LOB-Toronto 13, Boston 5. 2B-Reed, Pena, Quintana, Greenwell, Fernandez. HR-Felix (15), Brunansky (15). SB-Felix (13), Pena (8). SF-Wilson, Evans.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Key (W 13-7)	6 2-3	9	5	5	1	5
Acker	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	2
Henke	1	0	0	0	1	1
Boston						
Harris	1 2-3	5	4	4	2	2
Heskth (L 0-4)	2 2-3	8	3	3	2	1
Gardner	1 2-3	3	2	2	1	0
Gray	1-3	2	1	0	0	0
Irvine	2 2-3	1	0	0	0	0

Gardner pitched to two batters in the Seventh.

WP-Acker, Harris, 2.

Umpires-Home, Phillips; 1b, Welke; 2b, McKean; 3b, Coble.

T-3:37. A-34,403.

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Jennings lf	4	0	0	0	Pettis cf	3	0	0	0
DHendrsn rf	2	0	0	0	Franco 2b	4	0	1	0
Blnknshp 3b	2	1	2	0	Palmeiro 1b	4	0	0	0
McGee cf	1	0	0	1	Sierra rf	4	0	1	0
Lewis cf	0	0	0	0	Daughrty dh	3	1	0	0
Baines dh	3	0	0	0	Incaviglia lf	3	0	1	0
McGwire 1b	1	1	0	0	Petralli c	3	0	1	0
Lansford 3b	2	0	0	0	Green pr	0	1	0	0

Quirk 1b	0	0	0	0	Buechele 3b	3	0	1	1
Steinbach c	1	1	1	1	Kunkel pr	0	1	0	0
Hassey c	2	0	0	0	Huson ss	3	0	0	0
Randolph 2b	1	0	1	1	Reimer ph	1	0	1	2
Howitt rf	3	1	1	0					
Canseco rf	1	0	1	1					
Weiss ss	2	0	1	0					
Bordick ss	1	0	0	0					
Chitren p	0	0	0	0					
Gallego ss	4	0	0	0					
Totals	30	4	7	4	Totals	31	3	6	3

Oakland	001	000	030-	4
Texas	010	000	002-	3

DP-Texas 2. LOB-Oakland 9, Texas 9. 2B-Incaviglia, Franco, Steinbach, Blankenship, Reimer. SB-Franco (30). S-Lewis 2, Pettis. SF-Buechele.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Harris	6	2	1	1	6	7
Chitren (W 1-0)	2	4	2	2	0	2
Klink (S 1)	1	0	0	0	0	0
Texas						
Ryan (L 13-9)	7 1-3	3	2	2	4	11
Jeffcoat	0	0	1	1	1	0
Arnsberg	0	1	1	1	0	0
Barfield	0	1	0	0	0	0
Mielke	1 2-3	2	0	0	2	1

Jeffcoat pitched to one batter in 8th; Arnsberg pitched to one batter in 8th; Barfield pitched to one batter in 8th; Chitren pitched to three batters in the 9th.

HBP-By Ryan (Jennings).

Umpires-Home, Hendry; 1b, Palermo; 2b, Reilly; 3b, Garcia.

T-3:18. A-35,912.

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi
McRae cf	4	0	0	0	Polonia lf	5	0	3	1
Stillwell ss	4	0	0	0	Hill 2b	4	0	1	0
Brett 1b	3	0	0	0	Downing dh	3	0	0	0
Conine 1b	1	0	0	0	Winfield rf	3	0	1	0

Perry dh	3	1	1	1	Stevens 1b	4	0	1	0
Eisenreich rf	3	0	0	0	Venable cf	3	0	0	0
Wilson lf	3	0	0	0	Howell 3b	4	0	2	0
Berry 3b	3	0	0	0	Disarcina ss	2	1	0	0
Mayne c	2	0	1	0	Ray ph	1	0	0	0
FWhite 2b	2	0	0	0	Schofield ss	0	0	0	0
Jackson ph	1	1	1	1	Orton c	2	0	1	0
Pecota 2b	0	0	0	0	DWhite ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	29	2	3	2	Totals	32	1	9	1

Kansas City	000	000	101- 2
California	000	010	000- 1

E-Stillwell. DP-Kansas City 3, California 1. LOB-Kansas City 1, California 10.
3B-Polonia. HR-Perry (8), Jackson (28). S- Orton.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Appir (W 12-8)	8	9	1	1	5	8
Mntgmry (S 24)	1	0	0	0	0	0
California						
Lewis (L 1-1)	9	3	2	2	1	5

Umpires-Home, Clark; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, McCoy; 3b, Scott.

T-2:30. A-34,644.

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi
Gladden lf	4	0	2	0	Phillips 2b	3	0	0	0
Munoz rf	3	0	0	0	Fryman ss	4	0	0	0
Puckett cf	4	0	0	0	Fielder 1b	4	0	1	0
Bush dh	3	0	1	0	Ward lf	3	1	1	0
Gaetti 3b	3	0	0	0	Lemon rf	2	0	0	0
Harper c	4	0	0	0	Heath dh	3	0	0	0
Sorrento 1b	3	0	0	0	Coles 3b	3	0	1	0
Liriano 2b	3	0	2	0	Shelby cf	3	0	1	0
Gagne ss	3	0	0	0	Rowland c	3	0	1	0
Larkin ph	0	0	0	0					
Mack ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	31	0	5	0	Totals	28	1	5	0

Minnesota	000	000	000- 0
Detroit	010	000	00x- 1

E-Fielder, Terrell. DP-Minnesota 1, Detroit 1. LOB-Minnesota 9, Detroit 5.

2B-Ward, Liriano. S-Liriano, Lemon.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Guthrie (L 7-9)	8	5	1	1	1	6
Detroit						
Terrell (W 6-4)	8 2-3	5	0	0	3	3
Gleaton (S 12)	1-3	0	0	0	0	1

WP-Guthrie 2. HBP-By Terrell (Gaetti).

Umpires-Home, Kaiser; 1b, Johnson; 2b, Voltaggio; 3b, Young.

T-2:20. A-19,487.

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	5	0	1	0	Calderon lf	3	0	1	0
KGriffy Sr lf	4	0	0	0	Johnson cf	4	1	3	0
KGrffy Jr cf	4	1	2	0	Fisk c	4	0	0	0
Cotto cf	0	0	0	0	Thomas 1b	4	1	2	1
Davis dh	4	0	1	0	Lyons 1b	0	0	0	0
Briley pr	0	0	0	0	Pasqua dh	4	0	1	0
Martinez 1b	4	0	0	0	Ventura 3b	4	0	0	0
Buhner rf	4	0	1	0	Sosa rf	3	0	0	0
Valle c	3	0	2	0	Fletcher 2b	2	0	1	0
Bradley c	1	0	1	0	Guillen ss	2	0	1	0
Vizquel ss	4	0	3	0					
Schaefer 3b	2	0	0	0					
PO'Brien ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	36	1	11	0	Totals	30	2	9	1

Seattle	000	001	000-	1
Chicago	000	002	00x-	2

DP-Seattle 2. LOB-Seattle 9, Chicago 7. 2B-Valle, Davis. 3B-KGriffey Jr, Johnson, Pasqua. S-Guillen.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Delucia (L 1-2)	8	9	2	2	2	4
Chicago						
McDwll (W 14-9)	8	10	1	1	1	7
Thigpen (S 57)	1	1	0	0	0	0

WP-McDowell.

Umpires-Home, Brinkman; 1b, Cousins; 2b, Reed; 3b, Cooney.

T-2:43. A-42,849.

First Game

BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Finley rf	4	0	0	0	Jefferson lf	4	1	1	0
BRipken 2b	5	1	2	1	Browne 2b	3	1	2	1
Devereax cf	4	0	1	1	CJames dh	4	1	1	0
CRipken ss	3	2	1	1	Maldonad rf	4	0	1	1
Melvin c	4	1	3	0	Alomar c	4	0	0	0
Milligan dh	4	0	3	2	Baerga 3b	4	0	1	1
Gomez 3b	3	0	1	0	Jacoby 1b	3	0	0	0
McKnight 1b	4	0	0	0	Fermin ss	3	0	0	0
Gallagher lf	3	2	1	0	Webster cf	3	0	0	0
Totals	34	6	12	5	Totals	32	3	6	3

Baltimore	000	111	300- 6
Cleveland	000	000	003- 3

DP-Baltimore 1, Cleveland 1. LOB- Baltimore 6, Cleveland 4. 2B-Melvin, Jefferson, CJames. HR-CRipken (21). S- Gomez, SFinley. SF-Devereaux.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
Milacki (W 5-8)	7	2	0	0	2	4
Bautista	1	2	2	2	0	0
Schilling	2-3	2	1	1	0	0
Olson (S 36)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Cleveland						
Swndll (L 12-9)	6 1-3	10	5	5	1	1
Walker	1 2-3	2	1	1	1	1
Orosco	1	0	0	0	0	1

Bautista pitched to two batters in the 9th.

Umpires-Home, Roe; 1b, L Barnett; 2b, Kosc; 3b, Morrison.

T-2:39.

Second Game

BALTIMORE CLEVELAND

	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Finley rf	5	1	1	0	Webster cf	3	1	0	0
Anderson lf	4	0	1	0	Brookens 2b	5	0	3	1
CRipken ss	3	0	1	0	Baerga ss	4	2	1	1
Horn dh	4	0	1	2	Maldonad dh	4	1	3	3
Segui 1b	3	0	0	0	Manto 3b	4	1	2	0
Tettleton c	3	1	1	1	Jacoby 1b	5	0	2	2
Bell pr	0	0	0	0	Ward rf	5	0	1	0
Melvin c	0	0	0	0	Skinner c	3	0	1	0
Devereax cf	4	0	1	0	Jefferson lf	3	2	0	0
Wrthngtn 3b	3	0	1	0					
Hulett 2b	4	1	1	0					
Totals	33	3	8	3	Totals	36	7	13	7

Baltimore	012	000	000-	3
Cleveland	100	023	10x-	7

E-T Ward, Hulett. DP-Baltimore 1, Cleveland 2. LOB-Baltimore 7, Cleveland 12. 2B-Baerga, Devereaux, Manto, Ward. HR-Tettleton (14), Maldonado (22). SB-Anderson (15).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
Boone	4 2-3	8	3	3	3	0
Taylor (L 0-1)	2-3	3	3	1	1	0
Mitchell	1 2-3	2	1	1	2	1
Smith	1	0	0	0	0	1
Cleveland						
Nagy (W 2-4)	6	6	3	3	2	3
Olin	1 2-3	2	0	0	2	1
Jones (S 42)	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1

PB-Tettleton. HBP-Baerga By Boone.

Umpires-Home, L Barnett; 1b, Kosc; 2b, Morrison; 3b, Roe.
T-2:39. A-14,049.

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#90273u1591 09/30/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 30) UPI - A budget agreement was reached today... just hours before a midnight deadline. The pact agreed upon by President Bush and congressional negotiators calls for hikes in gas and alcohol taxes, and cuts in government spending. The goal is to reduce the deficit by 500-BILLION dollars in five years. Automatic spending cuts that might have crippled government services were averted by the agreement.

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The House and Senate scheduled sessions today to suspend those cuts. Congress now has until October 19th to pass the budget agreement, which President Bush calls ''balanced'' and ''fair.'' At a White House ceremony today, Bush did NOT mention that the agreement does NOT include his long-sought cut in the capital gains tax. Democrats had said such a cut would be a tax break for the rich.

President Bush tomorrow speaks to the United Nations General Assembly in New York. Aides say the speech will be an attempt to rally world leaders behind his tough stand against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein . Bush is expected to re-affirm that Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait before any negotiations can take place to end the Persian Gulf crisis.

Iraq's president may be backing off from his hard-line position. Saddam Hussein says he is willing to consider a French-sponsored peace plan, and says he wants to meet with French officials to discuss it. The plan calls for withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait... free elections in Kuwait... and arms reduction throughout the region. It also calls for a solution to the Palestinian problem.

Researchers say an abortion pill developed in France was ''well- liked'' by women taking part in a small U-S study, and it produced NO excessive side effects. 16 American women tested the drug in a study at the University of Southern California Medical School in Los Angeles. Researchers say the results were consistent with larger studies conducted in France.

-30- 2080

#90273u1602 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 30) UPI - Israel and the Soviet Union today upgraded their diplomatic status to full consular relations. The Soviet Union broke ties with Israel because of the 1967 Israeli-Arab war. The two countries began an exchange of diplomats in 1987, with the Soviets working through the Finnish Embassy in Tel Aviv and the Israelis working through the Dutch Embassy in Moscow.

World leaders meeting in New York today adopted a joint declaration promising to work toward a better future for children. More than 70 world leaders issued the statement at the U-N World Summit for Children. It says children are ''innocent, vulnerable and dependent,'' and makes a joint commitment ''to give every child a better future.''

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#90273u1740 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 30) UPI - Congress today passed a stop-gap measure suspending automatic spending cuts that would have gone into effect tonight. The move

comes after President Bush and congressional negotiators agreed on a budget pact that would cut the federal deficit by 40-BILLION dollars in the new fiscal year. If agreement had NOT been reached, spending cuts totaling BILLIONS would have gone into effect at midnight.

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President Bush calls the new budget ''balanced'' and ''fair.'' But getting it approved by Congress may prove difficult. House Speaker Thomas Foley says ''it's NOT going to be easy or simple to obtain the votes necessary.'' Some conservative House Republicans indicate they might oppose the plan. Representative Robert Walker of Pennsylvania calls it a ''package where Republicans did the giving and Democrats did the taking.''

A possible sign of softening in Iraq's hard-line stance. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says he wants to meet with French officials to discuss a peace plan offered by French President Mitterrand last week at the United Nations. The plan calls for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, and calls for a simultaneous resolution of the Palestinian problem. U-S officials have resisted efforts to link the Persian Gulf crisis and the Palestinian uprising.

The Persian Gulf crisis apparently will be the focus of a speech by President Bush tomorrow to the United Nations General Assembly. Aides say Bush will try to rally world support for his tough stand against Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait. Bush also is expected to discuss the ''new world order'' that has resulted from the collapse of communism in Eastern Europe.

-30- 1825

#90273u1926 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 30) UPI - A budget accord reached today by White House and congressional negotiators averts automatic spending cuts that could have crippled government services. But the reprieve may be temporary. Congress must still approve the pact.

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And it must be approved by Friday. President Bush says he will NOT sign an extension if Congress fails to act by the end of the week. That means the threat of a government shutdown is again alive, for one week from tomorrow.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says he is willing to consider a French-sponsored peace plan calling for the withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait. It might be a softening of his stance, or it might be a ploy to gain time.

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In Washington, administration officials say the United States has been

consulting with its allies and the Soviets about Persian Gulf options. One involves drafting of a U-N resolution to authorize use of military force against Baghdad.

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Two more U-S soldiers in the Persian Gulf region were killed in an accident. A military spokesman says an Air Force FE jetfighter on a training mission crashed today in the southern region of the Arab Peninsula, killing both crew members.

Hungarians showed their dis-enchantment with the country's new democratic leadership today. They stayed away from the polls in nation- wide municipal elections. The turnout was so low that a second round of voting must be held.

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#90273u1928 09/30/1990 ~United Press International

(SEPT. 30) UPI - A third defendant goes on trial tomorrow in New York in the racial killing of a black teen-ager last year in Brooklyn's Bensonhurst neighborhood. The first two defendants were tried last spring, with one convicted of murder and the other of lesser charges.

Tomorrow is an important day in U-S naval history. The U-S-S Blueback, the last remaining U-S Navy sub to run by conventional power, is to be de-commissioned. That will give the United States the first sub fleet completely powered by nuclear energy.

Wednesday's elections in Brazil could be a turning point for President Fernando Collor de Mello. The voting will be his first big popularity test as an incumbent.

Four whites were brutally murdered today in a black township in central South Africa. The four were mutilated and burned to death. An official source said a racial motive was unlikely, even though two black men were arrested.

In Nicaragua, Sandinista leaders today announced a campaign of walkouts and marches to protest government economic policies. A Sandinista leader said the civil disobedience campaign will begin tomorrow in Managua and across the country.

The sexual harrassment of a female reporter in the New England Patriots locker-room September 17th may cost the jobs of some of the team's management. Team owner Victor Kiam says there will be ''mammoth changes'' in team management when the National Football League completes its investigation.

-30- 1626

#90273u2026 09/30/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 30) UPI - The United States is consulting with its allies and the Soviet Union about a possible U-N resolution authorizing use of military force against Iraq. But Bush administration officials say NO such resolution has been drafted yet. If it is, it apparently would call for use of force in the event that economic sanctions do NOT force Iraq out of Kuwait.

Hardly anyone would avoid the pinch if a budget agreement reached today by White House and congressional negotiators is approved by Congress. It calls for higher taxes on beer, liquor, cigarettes, gasoline and other items. Senate Republican leader Robert Dole says- ''If you smoke, drink or drive, you're going to pay a little more.'' The plan is aimed at cutting the federal deficit.

World leaders at the U-N Children's Summit today called for schools for the 100-Million illiterate children around the world. They also called for health care for mothers, half-a-Million of whom die every year from childbirth-related causes. The pleas are in a joint statement issued at the summit in New York. One goal of the meeting is to cut the child death rate.

In New York City, a 13-year-old boy playing in a Brooklyn park became the 10th child to be shot this month in the city. Police say he was wounded in the arm when shots were fired by a drive-by attacker in an apparently random shooting. The boy was hospitalized in stable condition. He's the 24th child to be struck by gunfire in the city since July 22nd, and the sixth in the past 10 days.

-30- 1679

#90273u2027 09/30/1990 ~United Press International
(SEPT. 30) UPI - The Soviet Union today broadened its diplomatic ties. Full consular relations have been restored between the Soviet Union and Israel. The Soviets cut off relations with Israel because of the 1967 Israeli-Arab war, but they had been dealing with each other through other nations since 1987. Also today, the Soviet Union and South Korea decided to establish diplomatic relations.

A hospital spokeswoman in Los Angeles says Tony-award winning producer Lawrence Kasha died yesterday of brain cancer at the age of 57. Kasha's credits included the Broadway shows ''Applause'' and ''Woman of the Year.'' Kasha also wrote, produced and directed many recent episodes of the television series, ''Knots Landing.''

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#90274b0003 10/01/1990 ~Business Wire
REDMOND, WA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. Monday announced the availability of The Microsoft Office for Windows, which combines three of the company's leading business applications for the Microsoft Windows graphical environment version 3.0 in one convenient and economical package.

The three products address the core productivity needs of general business users. The Microsoft Office includes Microsoft Excel for Windows, the leading graphical spreadsheet, Word for Windows, the best-selling full-featured word processor for Windows, and Microsoft PowerPoint for Windows presentation graphics program, the new Windows version of the leading presentation graphics program for the Macintosh.

Available in hundreds of retail stores today, The Microsoft Office has an introductory suggested retail price of $995. Dealer discounts will bring the price even lower. If purchased separately at list price, the three Windows applications would cost nearly $1,500. The Office contains disks and documentation for all three products. In addition, a new manual titled ''Microsoft Windows Applications Working Together'' instructs users on how to use the applications together most effectively. Installation of the three products is also easier due to The Office's new mini-application, Windows Office Setup. A coupon for Q+ETM, the query-and-edit tool that connects Windows applications to a variety of back-end databases, will also be included in The Office.

Attendance at a series of free seminars sponsored by Microsoft on the Microsoft family of Windows applications has increased steadily this summer. Microsoft will expand this series to accommodate expected demand for the Microsoft Windows applications and The Microsoft Office. Targeted at small-to-medium businesses, the seminars are designed to familiarize end users with Windows computing and applications integration.

Seminar attendees can purchase The Microsoft Office for a special price or any individual Microsoft Windows application for only $99. For more information on the seminars, please call 800/227-4679, ext. 6160.

Mirroring end-user reactions, resellers have been very pleased with sales of Microsoft Windows applications and are enthusiastic about The Microsoft Office.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ:MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems, network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, hardware and CD ROM products for the microcomputer marketplace.

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#90274b0013 10/01/1990 ~Business Wire

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Data-Design Laboratories Inc. (NYSE:DDL) announced Monday that it intends to terminate its defined-benefit pension plan.

In its Annual Report to Shareholders for its 1990 fiscal year, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 26, 1990, DDL indicated that it was evaluating alternatives with respect to the pension plan as a possible way of increasing cash and tangible net worth.

On Sept. 28, 1990, the board of directors adopted a resolution to terminate the plan effective Dec. 1, 1990, or as soon thereafter as administratively feasible. While the ultimate financial impact will not be known until the termination is completed, the termination should result in significant income and positive cash flow to the company during the next 12 months.

DDL is primarily engaged in the manufacture and assembly of printed circuit boards for computer, communications and instrumentation industries. It also manufactures broadband communications equipment at its Catel Telecommunications subsidiary for the CATV and telephone markets.

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#90274b0016 10/01/1990 ~Business Wire

LAS VEGAS (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Oct. 1, 1990, MarCor Resorts Inc. (NASDAQ:MAAR) today announced that final regulatory approval was received for the company's $36.5 million acquisition of limited partnership interests in MarCor Resorts, L.P. V, the partnership which owns and operates the Rio Suite Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas, and owns 125 acres in adjacent Henderson, Nev.

With this approval, MarCor's ownership in the Rio partnership increases from 34.9 percent to more than 95 percent, and net shareholder equity increases from $12.6 million to over $49 million.

MarCor's Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Anthony A. Marnell II stated, ''The formal consolidation of the company with the partnership more strongly positions us to accomplish the dynamic growth we have always envisioned for this company.''

MarCor Resorts Inc. through a wholly owned subsidiary, is the principal owner and operator of the first all-suite hotel/casino in the country, the Rio Suite Hotel & Casino, located in Las Vegas. MarCor and controlled entities own 185 acres in the greater Las Vegas area zoned for the development of future gaming resorts and ancillary uses.

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MILPITAS, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Qume Corp. Monday announced that its merger agreement with New Qume Corp. had been terminated by New Qume in accordance with the terms of the merger agreement.

Negotiations between representatives of New Qume and the Special Committee of the board of directors of Qume Corp. established for that purpose have ceased. As a result, the Special Committee has been disbanded.

Qume Corp. (NASDAQ:QUME) manufactures and markets page and daisywheel printers display products and computer supplies and accessories. In addition, the company's Data Technology Division offers disk drive controller boards, chip sets and high-capacity flexible disk drives and subsystems. Qume's products are marketed worldwide through a variety of distribution channels and OEMs.

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MILPITAS, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - LSI Logic Corp. (NYSE:LSI) Monday introduced the Ngine RPM3310, a RISC subsystem based on the MIPS architecture that integrates the critical functional blocks of a high-performance workstation into a self-contained module measuring 3.5 inches per side.

Based on LSI Logic's 25 MHz LR3000 MIPS RISC architecture, the RPM3310 is the first of a family of high-performance subsystems that offers system designers a proven CPU implementation and simplified interface, thus minimizing system development time and risk.

The RPM3310 is expected to be used in UNIX-based workstations, computer servers, high-performnace laser printers and X Window terminals.

The RPM3310 includes LSI Logic's LR3000 MIPS RISC Microprocessor, the LR3010 MIPS Floating-Point Accelerator (FPA), and LR3220 Read-Write Buffer (RWB). Timing-sensitive functions associated with RISC designs are eliminated by placing the 32-kbyte instruction- and 32-kbyte data-cache memories, four-phase clock generation circuitry, and reset configuration logic on the module.

The complex timing constraints associated with RISC-based architecture are resolved on-board, according to Smits.

On-board reset logic enables the system designer to optimize the module

configuration to target applications ranging from workstations to peripherals. Future Ngine models will be pin-compatible through a LSI Logic-established standard 100-pin microstrip connector. This will simplify debug, service and performance upgrades.

The module's compact size (3.5 by 3.5 by 0.67 inch) is achieved by utilizing a double-sided printed circuit board and direct die attach assembly. The CPU, Floating Point Accelerator and Read-Write Buffer circuits are die-mounted and encapsulated directly on the integral heat-sink/printed circuit board.

Thermal management and electrical properties are greatly enhanced with power dissipation at 25 MHz measured at approximately 22 Watts, worst case, with air-flow requirements of 150 linear feet per minute at 50 degrees C ambient temperature.

LSI Logic Corp. is a leading supplier of high-performance semiconductors. The company is the premier manufacturer and marketer of HCMOS application specific integrated circuits (ASICs), with over 8,000 designs completed worldwide.

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FOSTER CITY, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - MacUser, the leading Macintosh magazine, Monday announced the opening of MacUser Labs' NetWorkShop, the only independent testing facility for Macintosh products used in networked systems.

The NetWorkShop is designed to provide business users with the information needed to make important and often costly network purchasing decisions. Dedicated entirely to connectivity, networking and productivity issues, MacUser Labs' NetWorkShop tests and recommends products for the growing number of networked Mac users.

''For many years, the Mac was considered a standalone computer. However, in today's business environment the networked Mac is the rule rather than the exception,'' said Jon Zilber, MacUser's editor.

MacUser Labs' NetWorkShop is a one-of-a-kind facility with the capacity to hold 60 CPUs with monitors and four printers. It has custom-designed racks linking all the systems to a patch panel where they can be connected to LocalTalk, Ethernet or Token Ring.

On site are more than 30 Macs, a NeXT workstation, a Sun SPARCstation, two

micro VAXs and four IBM compatibles; Novell NetWare and 3Com 3+ Open File Servers and a variety of routers and gateways. It also incorporates major operating systems including UNIX, VMS, DOS, OS/2, Windows and Mac OS.

Products to be tested include servers, 10Base T-Ethernet cards and concentrators, multiuser databases, routers and gateways, network management products, Mac as a workstation, terminal emulation software and any Macintosh product capable of operating in a networked environment.

Headed by Henry Bortman and MacUser Labs' director Andrew Eisner, the NetWorkShop staff represents over 40 years of experience in networking high tech. Each lab member has a recognized standing in the Mac industry.

MacUser magazine, a Ziff-Davis publication, is produced for serious business buyers of Macintosh products. MacUser is the leader in lab-based product evaluations and is the primary source of Macintosh buying and ''how to'' information available anywhere.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxtor Corp. (NASDAQ:MXTR), a leading manufacturer of high-capacit y, high-performance data storage products, Monday announced the industry's highest capacity 3.5-inch disk drive, the LXT-535, with 535 megabytes of storage.

The LXT-535 can be de-populated to 437 megabytes and is available with either SCSI or AT interface.

The LXT-535 and LXT-437 are platform compatible with the rest of the LXT family including the LXT-200, LXT-213 and the LXT-340. If customers have already qualified the LXT-200, they need only perform a limited qualification for other members of the LXT family because of commonality of hardware and firmware. Maxtor implements the same base code for the entire family of LXT products, allowing customers to bring their systems to market faster when they use the LXT family of drives.

In addition to leading-edge packaging and mechanical techniques, the LXT family incorporates unique buffering and caching algorithms to provide the fastest time-to-data in the industry.

The LXT-535/437 feature an average seek time of 12 milliseconds read and 13

milliseconds/write.

They have a maximum bus transfer rate of 5 megabytes/second in a synchronous mode, 3 megabytes/second in an asynchronous mode and 4 megabytes/second implementing an AT interface. The track-to-track seek time is 3 milliseconds.

The LXT-535 is ideal for the workstation marketplace. With applications and system software becoming more and more memory- intensive, Maxtor's LXT-535 provides the capacity and performance not previously available in a 3.5-inch form factor.

Maxtor is already shipping the LXT-535 and LXT-437 to beta sites and will begin shipping evaluation quantities in November; volume deliveries will begin in early 1991. OEM volume pricing for the LXT- 535 is $1,450 and $1,250 for the LXT-437.

Maxtor Corp. was founded in 1982 and has its headquarters in San Jose. The company and its subsidiaries design and manufacture high-capacity Winchester and optical data storage products in San Jose; Longmont, Colo.; Singapore; Hong Kong; and Malaysia, and have a worldwide sales and distribution network.

Maxtor's products range from 40 megabytes to 2.1 gigabytes and are designed for use in computer systems, workstations, personal computers, laptop computers and local area networks.

In addition, Storage Dimensions Inc. a wholly owned subsidiary of Maxtor Corp. markets magnetic disk and optical storage subsystems for personal computers and microcomputer-based networks. Maxoptix, a joint venture of Maxtor and Kubota Ltd. in which Maxtor is a 75 percent owner, designs and manufactures the Tahiti(RI), the world's highest performance one gigabyte erasable optical disk drive.

Maxoptix also markets the RXT-800 WORM (read once, write many) optical disk drive. Maxoptix is the only U.S. entrant in the high-performance erasable market.

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CUPERTINO, CALIF. (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer is beginning a sweeping 18-month overhaul of its service policies and programs to make them

more cost-effective, less time-consuming and less complicated for service providers.

Both Apple authorized resellers and direct service providers will benefit from the new plan, called Service Provider Business Platform, features new computer-based tools and a mix of liberalized reimbursement and inventory management programs.

''The costs of doing business for personal computer service providers have risen steadily over the years as the number of products has increased and the range of service situations has broadened,'' said Taylor Pohlman, director of Apple Service. ''Apple's new programs will give service providers a lot more freedom to manage their own businesses and control costs.

Apple will roll out five new or substantially revised service programs between Oct. 1, 1990, and late 1991 for all service providers. The key aims of the programs include:

-- Providing a powerful new on-line order processing system for ordering service parts and finished goods or tracking orders, claims and credits.

-- Abolishing specific service parts stocking requirements in favor of flexible guidelines and a new statistical model that helps any individual service provider tailor inventory according to the needs of a particular installed base.

-- Simplifying the warranty claim reimbursement structure increasing servic providers' average reimbursements substantially.

-- Giving Apple dealers or other service providers a new capability for continuously updating service inventories.

-- Supplying new technologies for improving field troubleshooting and providing up-to-date information on repair procedures.

In addition to the above, which affect all service providers, Apple will improve the service proposition specifically for resellers by offering immediate inventory relief with special Apple buy-back plans covering obsolete inventory.

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DAYTON, OH (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. announced that Sizzler Restaurants International has selected NCR's 2760 Food Service System and personal computers, implementing those systems throughout its restaurants nationwide.

The contract with Sizzler is valued at approximately $2.5 million over the next several years.

For example, in an average 250-seat Sizzler restaurant, three 2760 point of sale (POS) terminals are located in the front of the restaurant for entering customer orders. The order is then automatically transmitted to the kitchen printer. When the order is ready, a server brings the order to the customer's table.

At the end of the evening, the POS data is integrated with an inventory software package that calculates food consumption and cost. It enables the restaurant manager to better control food costs by knowing which items to reorder and in what quantity. The inventory package was developed by ReMACs Inc., one of NCR's Solutions Partners.

The NCR 386SX personal computer is used as the Manager's Workstation and provides all management reports, inventory and recipe control. Sizzler also plans to use the system for labor scheduling, time/attendance and personnel information management.

The NCR 2760 Food Service System is NCR's latest food service POS system that blends intelligent programmable terminals with an industry-standard PC which serves as a Manager's Workstation to provide valuable back office processing capabilities.

Sizzler's new Buffet Court and Grill offers a tremendous variety, including Italian, appetizer and dessert bars as well as grilled food offerings.

Sizzler-owned restaurants and francises are located throughout North America. Internationally, Sizzler plans to open a substantial number of new restaruants first in Asia and then in Europe.

Service and maintenance support for NCR products is provided by NCR's 5,000 customer service and software engineers at 400 locations throughout the United States.

NCR, based in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information systems for worldwide markets.

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ALISO VIEJO, CALIF. (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Armor All Products Corp. (NASDAQ: ARMR) announced Monday that Thomas B. Simone, 48, has been elected a director, effective immediately.

Simone is vice president, finance for Armor All's parent company, McKesson Corp. He joined McKesson in 1973 and has served in various executive positions, previously as vice president-controller and chief accounting officer, until elected to his present position earlier this year.

Simone fills the vacancy on the board resulting from the retirement of John S. Wheaton as an officer of McKesson and his related resignation as a member of the Armor All board.

Armor All Products is the nation's leading supplier of automotive appearance chemical products.

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CUPERTINO, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Tandem Computers Inc. (NYSE:TDM) Monday announced that Heidelberger Drucksmaschinen AG of Wiesloch, Germany, a major printing press manufacturer, has chosen a four-processor NonStop Cyclone mainframe computer system to control large parts of its warehousing, manufacturing, and dispatch operations.

In addition, the German Post Office, headquartered in Bonn, has chosen Tandem for an electronic/physical mail distribution system. The order includes a four-processor NonStop CLX 740 system.

The fault-tolerant NonStop Cyclone, recently installed at Heidelberger's main Wiesloch manufacturing plant, is already handling more than 120,000 transactions per day. At Wiesloch up to 30 printing presses are produced daily, and the variety of products effectively means that each machine is customized to match a customer's specification.

The NonStop Cyclone links with other Tandem systems to control component warehousing, batch production of sub-assemblies, custom-order final assembly, and dispatch of finished machines and associated extra parts. Automated picking and driverless in-plant delivery systems, controlled by the Tandem

systems, ensure that right parts reach the assembly areas as they are required for building.

The IT Director at Heidelberger Drucksmaschinen, Dr. Ing Helmut Eitel, said that rapid growth in new and existing technology led them to decide to tie their existing systems together with a new Tandem NonStop Cyclone. This allows them to reshape their computing by allocating separate resources to their two major functions, operations and system development.

Altogether, over 500 terminals, data stations and local PC networks are connected into the Tandem system, and future plans include the use of the Tandem NonStop SQL relational database management software.

This application will enable users to store letterhead and facsimile signatures on the electronic mail distribution system, as well as individualized or bulk letters, and address lists. The system will electronically distribute individual letters to local electronic mail centers, where they will be printed, inserted into envelopes and delivered with normal mail.

By moving mail electronically, rather than physically, over long delivery distances the post office expects important cost benefits for themselves and users. Also, they anticipate faster service with smaller environmental impact.

The primary target market for the service will be registered users, which include high volume organizations like direct mail houses and public authorities. Also, the post office anticipates the system will appeal to public users sending urgent mail to business and domestic correspondents not equipped to receive fax, telex or other electronic messages.

Users can access the service via a range of devices like fax, telex and teletext. Registered users will use personal computers.

The German post office is talking with other postal authorities about internationalizing the project for cross-border deliveries.

GEI of Bonn, a Daimler Benz subsidiary, is the prime contractor for this project. Softlab AG of Munich is responsible for providing X.400 software. The first node in the project is scheduled to begin operation in mid-1991 in Frankfurt.

Tandem manufactures and markets computer systems and networks for online transaction processing, large database applications and the UNIX system marketplace. Company headquarters are located at 19333 Vallco Parkway, Cupertino, Calif. 95014, 408/725-6000.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Fiserv Inc. (NASDAQ/OTC:FISV), a leading computer services company providing data processing and information management systems to financial institutions worldwide, has announced a major contract expansion and renewal with American Savings Bank of Stockton, Calif.

The seven-year contract, which includes additional outsourcing of the institution's data processing services to Fiserv, is projected to generate over $100 million in revenues for Fiserv. All data processing operations for American Savings will now be handled through the Fiserv center in Fresno, Calif., and backed by the support of the company's national network of centers.

''American Savings has been a Fiserv client since 1983, and we're very pleased to be able to support their strategic business plan through the outsourcing of all of their data processing,'' says George D. Dalton, chairman and chief executive officer of Fiserv.

''What's truly rewarding is to have a client like American Savings express their confidence in us by expanding their service contract. We were in competition with some of the largest data processers in the industry, and came away the winner. That feels good.''

For large financial institutions, outsourcing -- using an external, specialized servicer as opposed to maintaining an in-house data processing facility -- continues to play an increasing role as an economical, efficient alternative. That means these institutions must look for a data processing servicer with the resources, technical expertise and experience to provide for their special needs.

''Outsourcing means more than just providing cost reductions, even though that is the major consideration for many institutions,'' Dalton adds. ''It's an integral part of any strategic plan. Outsourcing offers financial institutions a way to keep up with technology changes, and provides an economical way to incorporate services and products that will differentiate them from their competition.

''That's where Fiserv can offer a unique solution -- because we have the financial stability, the nationwide resources and the proven expertise to help an insitution meet its strategic goals through outsourcing. Plus, we're dedicated exclusively to serving financial institutions. We understand their needs, and that's an important comfort factor.''

In 1989, American Savings engaged the Booz Allen Hamilton consulting firm of Dallas, to evaluate their real estate lending applications and their strategic planning. After a comprehensive study, Booz Allen Hamilton highly recommended

American Savings expand their data processing relationship with Fiserv.

''Fiserv creates a true strategic alliance for American Savings' banking strategies as they move forward into the technology-oriented '90s,'' said Ray Lane, partner of Booz Allen Hamilton.

''Expanding our contract with Fiserv was a strategic, corporate decision,'' says Robert T. Barnum, executive vice president and chief financial officer of American Savings Bank. ''The Fiserv selection supports our focus on the mature market as our key customer. That customer wants good, personal service. So we needed to focus our resources on things which meet our customers' needs. Two computer oprations didn't make sense economically, or in terms of the service we need to deliver.

''With the decision to choose Fiserv, American Savings can continue to provide our retail bank customers with uninterrupted, reliable cost-effective service.''

In the early '80s when American Savings Bank became a client, Fiserv performed the largest conversion of a financial institution in the industry at that time. ''In four months we converted their core applications, which were processed through two large data centers,'' said Jack J. McMenimon, president of Fiserv Fresno.

''At that time, the institution continued to maintain an internal data processing capability supporting several custom systems and a large print operation. With this new outsourcing agreement, we've gained responsibility for all of American Savings' data processing functions and facilities, including their retail and lending systems development.''

''By giving Fiserv complete responsibility for data processing, we will save $5 million in 1991, $7 million in 1992 and over $12 million by 1995,'' Barnum says. ''A savings that significant is another step in enhancing the value of American Savings to our customers. As we focus on Fiserv as our sevice provider, Fiserv will be able to help us focus on delivering responsive service.''

In the past six years Fiserv, a Milwaukee-based company, has grown into a ntaional network of specialized information management centers and subsidiary companies. The company's data centers are located throughout the United States, processing over 19.5 million customer accounts for more than 950 client financial institutions.

In 1989, the company's annual revenues were over $164 million, an increase of 31 percent over the prior year's record. A publicly held company, Fiserv stock is traded in the NASDAQ over the counter market system under the symbol FISV.

American Savings Bank, headquartered in Stockton, has 176 branches and 30 residential loan centers located throughout California. With assets of $16.4 billion, the institution employs over 4,500 people.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) Monday announced that it has signed contracts in a multi-party transaction for the acquisition of up to 118 Airbus Industrie A320s.

The transaction involves America West committing to purchase or lease a total of 74 aircraft on firm order, including the lease of 16 immediately and holding 44 options. Assuming the exercise of options, aircraft will be delivered over a 15-year period making this the largest A320 commitment by any airline to date.

Parties to the transaction with America West and Airbus Industrie include Guinness Peat Aviation, Kawasaki Enterprises and International Aero Engines, who will be providing the V2500 power plant for the 148-seat two-class configued airplane. Assuming the exercise of all options, this transaction is valued at approximately $5 billion.

As part of this agreement, America West received on signing cash advances and support from the engine supplier and lessors and Airbus introductory spare parts and training support totaling $220 million.

America West plans to begin A320 service in January 1991 and will have 16 A320s in service by mid-year, all leased from Guiness Peat Aviation, with an additional 10 aircraft to be leased from a Guinness Peat Aviation affiliate between 1993 and 1996.

Twenty-four aircraft will be acquired under long-term lease from Kawasaki Enterprises and will be delivered to America West over a 5-year period beginning in 1992. Firm aircraft orders from America West will deliver between 1996 and the year 2000 and 44 related options will be available between 1999 and 2005.

Michael J. Conway, America West president, who headed up the airline's efforts in bringing together the parties in the transaction, stated, ''This is by far the largest single aircraft order in our history, and by its terms, it makes America West a much stronger carrier.''

He continued, ''With long-term lease financing already in place for the first 50 aircraft, and a very strong up-front support package, our company is in an

excellent position to realize several opportunities in the marketplace over the near term.''

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COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Drug Emporium Inc. (NASDAQ:DEMP) continued to post strong sales for the second fiscal quarter and first half ended August 31, while profits overcame $2.5 million of pretax non-recurring vendor rebates last year to hold even for the six months.

For the quarter, net sales reached $147.2 million, up 23 percent from sales of $119.7 million in the corresponding three months last year. Net income was $2,212,000 or 17 cents per share compared with $2,372,000 or 18 cents per share a year ago. Last year's quarterly pretax results benefited from $1.5 million in vendor rebates.

For the six months, net sales increased 23 percent to $288.3 million from $233.6 million in the first half last year. Net income was on par with a year ago, $4,044,000 or 31 cents per share versus $4,130,000 or 31 cents per share. Chief Executive Officer Gary Wilber said the pricing strategy that the company put into effect nearly a year ago continues to drive sales.

Same-store sales were up 12 percent for both the second quarter and six months over the similar periods last year. ''Now, we are seeing store operating profits come along with sales as our cost- control measures take effect,'' Wilber said.

He pointed out that more favorable year-to-year profit comparisons are expected during the second half as vendor rebates will be similar for both years. He also noted that the three stores in the Minneapolis franchise acquired early in the first quarter this year contributed to the sales increases.

The company recently announced agreements to acquire the Charleston, S.C., St. Louis and San Diego franchises with a total of nine Drug Emporium stores. This week the company reached agreement to acquire the five-store Indianapolis franchise. In addition, the company has opened four new stores this year.

As of August 31, Drug Emporium, a national deep-discount drugstore chain, owned and operated 87 stores and franchised an additional 112 stores specializing in brand-name health and beauty aids, cosmetics and prescription drugs.

Drug Emporium Inc.

Consolidated Income Statement
(unaudited)
(In thousands except per-share amounts)

	Three Months Ended August 31,		Six Months Ended August 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$147,182	$119,664	$288,283	$233,608
Cost of sales	116,110	94,671	228,615	185,307
Selling, administrative and occupancy expenses	26,465	20,072	51,180	39,842
Other expense	744	481	1,534	796
Total cost and expenses	143,319	115,224	281,329	225,945
Income before income taxes and minority interests	3,863	4,440	6,954	7,663
Provision for:				
Income taxes	1,550	1,883	2,789	3,165
Minority interests	101	185	121	368
	1,651	2,068	2,910	3,533
Net income	$ 2,212	$ 2,372	$ 4,044	$ 4,130
Net income per share	$ .17	$ .18	$ .31	$ .31
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares used in computing earnings per share	13,322	13,165	13,247	13,146

T Subject to year-end audit.

All per-share information has been adjusted to reflect the company's 2-for-1 stock split effective July 10.

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MEMPHIS, TN (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Seven Oaks International Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:QPON) Monday announced that A. M. Sackett has resigned as a director.

He indicated that his action was based on the demands on his personal schedule from other commitments which were making it increasingly difficult to continue in service to Seven Oaks. A special committee of directors has been appointed to recommend a nominee to replace Sackett and to consider the overall composition of the board.

The committee's report is expected before the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board on Nov. 27, 1990.

Rear Admiral Sackett, U.S.N. (Ret.), has been a director of Seven Oaks since 1982. Since February of 1983, he has been director of community relations of the Memphis Publishing Co.

Frank J. Donato, chief executive officer, said, ''We sincerely appreciate Al Sackett's past service to Seven Oaks. We understand the time requirements imposed by his other responsibilities and accept his decision to end his active involvement as a member of the board of directors.''

Seven Oaks International operates as a clearinghouse between retailers and product manufacturers in processing cents-off coupons. The company's common shares are traded over-the-counter under the National Market System symbol QPON.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The first commercials in a major new advertising campaign created by Della Femina McNamee for the Copier Products Division of Toshiba America Information Systems Inc. appeared Sunday, Sept. 30 on regional NFL games on the CBS television network.

Although one of the commercials appeared Sept. 30, the full campaign will kick off Oct. 4 in conjunction with the opening of the American and National League Baseball Championship Playoffs. The playoff series has one of the highest ratings of any sporting event on network television.

Network time has also been purchased for NFL and collegiate football games throughout the season. On cable, over 50 spots per week will appear on CNN, FNN and ESPN.

Cable programming will include tennis and golf events on ESPN, news programs on CNN and financial news updates and features on FNN. The television schedule is supported by advertising on CBS network radio and print ads in consumer and trade magazines and in USA Today.

''We're looking for adult professional and business people, and the mix of network and cable programming, supplemented by radio and print media in 1990-91, gives us better access to our target audiences than ever before,'' according to Walker.

Walker added that the 1990-91 (September to March) advertising budget is 300 percent more than any previous Copier Products Division period and marks the first time any Toshiba division's ads will appear on network television.

Toshiba office copiers are sold and serviced by a network of more than 350 dealers nationwide. Toshiba America Information Systems is one of five independently operating U.S.-based companies that comprise Toshiba America Inc., New York, a holding company which is part of the $29 billion Toshiba Corp. based in Tokyo.

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PROVO, UT (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Larson Davis Inc. (NASDAQ:LDII) Monday reported that initial response to its recently introduced static version Electronic Text Retrieval technology has been very positive.

Brian Larson, president, said, ''The Electronic Text Retrieval technology developed by our subsidiary, Larson Davis Information Systems is currently being reviewed by several Fortune 500 companies. While our technology has widespread application, one area of strong interest shown by these companies is on line product and computer peripheral manuals.''

Larson continued, ''In addition, Commerce Clearing House (CCH), one of the nation's largest publishers, has had very good success marketing an electronic version of its 1990 Master Tax Guide. CCH has expanded its application of the Larson Davis technology to the Master Tax Guide for Australia and several other professional texts. Larson Davis receives royalty income on all products produced for CCH that are sold world-wide.''

An additional market rapidly evolving is catalogs, policy and procedure manuals, and student directories for colleges and universities. Larson Davis estimates the savings in publishing costs for universities across the nation would be in the millions. Virtually every college and university in the country is a prospective user of this technology.

Larson Davis recently entered into an agreement with Ricks College to electronically publish their catalogs, manuals and directories. Negotiations are currently underway with several additional colleges and universities.

Larson added, ''Recent software publishing industry figures are showing that industry growth has continued at 30 percent plus rate. Larson Davis is also finding that sales of its Electronic Text Retrieval technology as well as sales in its acoustical instrumentation division are not being impacted by recent national and international developments. We fully anticipate that our historical growth rate will continue in the months ahead.''

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SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - California Microwave Inc. (OTC:CMIC) announced it's board of directors elected Arthur H. Hausman, chairman of the board emeritus of Ampex Corp., and Robert C. Fitting, a vice president of California Microwave and president of the company's subsidiary, EFData Corp., to fill two vacancies created by an increase in the size of the board from seven to nine members.

Hausman, a business consultant and private investor, retired in 1987 from Ampex Corp. where he had served as chairman of the board and chief executive officer. He joined Ampex in 1960 as vice president and director of research and was appointed president in 1971.

Ampex Corp. is video systems manufacturer. Hausman was appointed by President Reagan to the President's Export Council in 1985 and served for four uyears. He also serves on the boards of directors of TCI International Inc., Drexler Technology Inc. and California Amplifier Inc.

Fitting is the president and founder of EFData Corp., which California Microwave acquired in 1989. At that time, Fitting became a vice president of California Microwave. Prior to founding EFData in 1984, Fitting held positions at Bell Laboratories, Motorola and Comtech Data Corp.

EFData, located in Tempe, Ariz., is a leading producer of satellite data transmission modems, which connect telephone lines to satellite communications

networks.

The annual meeting of shareholders of California Microwave Inc. will be held on Oct. 25, 1990, to elect directors and to ratify the selection of the company's independent accountants.

California Microwave is a leading supplier of microwave and satellite communications systems.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - S&P assigns its 'A-1' rating to Australian Airlines Ltd.'s $500 million U.S. commercial paper program.

Also, the 'A-1' ratings on the company's Eurocommercial paper programs are affirmed.

Australian Airlines is one of two airlines that roughly split the market for long-distance air travel in Australia. Following deregulation of domestic air service on Nov. 1, the airline is expected to retain a strong market presence due to its extensive network structure, service quality, and low-cost position. Furthermore, potential entrants will be confined by limited access to financing, aircraft, and airport terminals, as well as by the entrenchment of the two existing airlines.

Still, a well-positioned rival, Ansett Transport Industries Ltd., some new entrants, and the government's removal of price and operating controls are expected to lead to price competition and shifting market shares for the next few years.

Internally generated funds are insufficient to meet high capital spending to modernize and expand the aircraft fleet, upgrade terminals, and invest in resorts and commuter airlines, resulting in high and increasing debt usage.

The airline's high financial risk is mitigated by the leverageability of aircraft assets, which are mobile and readily saleable. More important still, the Australian government's 100 pc ownership of the airline provides credit support.

Recently, the government decided to privatize the airline, but has yet to determine the timing and terms of the sell-off of its interest. While it is difficult to assess the impact of privatization at this time, privatization is expected to provide the airline with the benefits of a significant equity injection, links to financially strong investors, and ongoing access to equity

markets.

The government is expected to remain committed to the airline's financial well-being through the privatization process, S&P said.

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AUSTIN, TX (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Micro Devices Monday announced two highly integrated microprocessors that incorporate all the components of the original IBM AT motherboard on one CMOS integrated circuit.

The single chip, called the Am286ZXTM, contains an AMD CMOS 80286 microprocessor and all the ancillary chips required to build a basic AT-compatible personal computer. The new AMD device offers the functionality of an IBM AT motherboard that previously required up to 175 integrated circuits.

The companion chip, called the Am286LXTM, maintains the same functionality and is the first PC processor to offer on-chip power management. It also features battery-saving techniques targeted at the expanding notebook PC market.

Using AMD's Am286ZX or Am286LX integrated microprocessor, the PC core is reduced to one integrated processor, a keyboard controller and external memory devices, significantly cutting the number of components required to design an entire system.

Integrated onto the single-chip device are AT-compatible peripherals, including DRAM control logic, two DMA controllers, two interrupt controllers, three counter/timers, a real-time clock with CMOS RAM, flexible clock generation logic and an enhanced bus controller. Support is also provided for LIM 4.0 EMS memory management.

The proprietary Am286ZX and Am286LX microprocessors offer designers of entry-level desktop and portable personal computers lower power and significant board space savings in one low-cost package.

Entry-level desktop and laptop systems -- the target for the new AMD devices -- comprise 65 percent of the total personal computer market today, according to research firm International Data Crop. Both devices are compatible with MS/DOSTM, Windows 3.0 and OS/2 operating systems, which make up the bulk of the office environment personal systems.

Sampling of the new AMD integrated microprocessors will begin in Q4 1990 with production scheduled to begin in Q2 1991. Both processors will be offered initially at speeds of 12 and 16 MHz. Prices in 1,000-unit quantities range

from $69 for the Am286ZX-12 to $89 for the Am286LX-16.

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GLENDALE, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Pollution Research and Control Corp. (NASDAQ:PRCC) reported Friday a loss of $1.5 million, or 43 cents per share, on revenues of $5.4 million, compared with net income of $435,000, or 24 cents per share, on revenues of $4.6 million for the 1989 fiscal year.

Albert E. Gosselin Jr., president and chief executive officer grimaces, ''It's a war out there,'' he said. ''For the past 20 years we have survived and outlasted eight out of 10 larger competitors. We did it by superior technology -- even though some of them were 50 to 100 times larger than we.''

''This past year,'' Gosselin claims, ''was a little like the 'Battle of the Bulge' and proved that the best products, temporarily, are not a match for well-financed, not to say unethical, tactics of two remaining competitors.'' Gosselin relaxes and smiles. ''After all,'' he points out, ''it has long been known that a dumb dollar will outbuy a smart dime most of the time.''

''Still,'' he said, ''we'll keep spending our smart dimes. A better day is coming.''

Pollution Research and Control, under the trade name Dasibi Environmental designs, manufactures and markets, internationally, air-pollution monitoring instruments. Gosselin, who has been referred to as ''the General Patton of small-business executives,'' said, ''We have regrouped, cut our losses and, personally, I intend to show the industry what a little Yankee know-how can do.''

POLLUTION RESEARCH AND CONTROL CORP.
Summary of Operations
For fiscal year ended June 30,

	1990	1989
Total revenues	$5,408,000	$4,600,000
Net income (loss)	(1,452,000)	435,000
Net income (loss) per share	(43 cents)	24 cents
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	3,352,488	1,823,991

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SPOKANE, WA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Pegasus Gold Inc. (ASE, TSE: PGU) announced Monday that it will immediately commence construction of its recently acquired Black Pine property in Cassia County, Idaho.

The project, which is an open-pit, heap leach operation, is expected to produce an average of 60,000 ounces of gold annually over the current five year life of the mine, although this is planned to vary between 40,000 and 80,000 ounces in any given year. Proven mineable reserves are 7.7 million tons of oxide ore grading .042 ounces of gold per ton and 8.1 million tons of low-grade ore grading .014 ounces of gold per ton. Recovery rates of these ores are projected at 75 percent and 50 percent, respectively.

Initial capital cost for the project is $11.8 million with operating costs projected at an average of $4.88 per ton. The feasibility study for the project was reviewed by Pincock, Allen and Holt of Lakewood, Colo. Pegasus' Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Michael L. Clark said: ''We are pleased to be able to add another mine to the five currently operating. Since the project is already fully permitted, we expect gold production to be slightly in excess of 20,000 ounces during the second half of 1991.''

Pegasus Gold Inc. is a major North American gold producer that currently produces over 340,000 ounces of gold from five mines in the western United States. The company also produces significant quantities of silver, lead and zinc. Pegasus Gold common shares are traded on the American Stock Exchange and the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol PGU. Options on the company's common shares are traded on the Chicago Board Options Exchange and the Montreal Stock Exchange.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - CIGNA Health Plan of California announced Monday that MCC Companies will manage its mental health/substance abuse treatment service for more than one-half million members.

MCC, an independent subsidiary of CIGNA Corp., is the largest provider of managed mental health/substance abuse service nationwide, covering more than 3 million people.

''MCC's approach is to provide each patient with the most appropriate care,'' said Jerrold Kreisler, president and executive director of MCC Managed Behavioral Care of California. ''By giving the patient the care that is needed, employers and insurers can better manage mental health/substance abuse benefits.''

The change to MCC which is being phased-in over five months, includes more than 500,000 people covered by CIGNA Health Plan in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, Ventura, San Bernardino, San Francisco, San Diego and Imperial counties.

Previously, mental health care was provided through CIGNA staff members and two other mental health care companies.

MCC began managing care for approximately 330,000 CIGNA Health Plan Los Angeles-area members in August. An additional 110,000 people will be added today in the Los Angeles area. About 40,000 people will be added Nov. 1 in San Diego and about 15,000 members in San Francisco will be added early next year.

Kreisler said CIGNA members will now be served by a larger network of mental health/substance abuse professionals. They will be able to get appointments quickly and close to their home or work.

To receive care, CIGNA Health Plan members call a toll-free number to schedule an initial appointment. Based on their location and problem, they are assessed at one of the eight MCC clinics or by one of the more than 450 contracted providers. A treatment plan is developed that best suits the individual's needs.

Minneapolis-based MCC Companies provides mental health/substance abuse services in 60 markets nationwide. Its 1989 revenues were $89 million.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Fiserv Inc. (NASDAQ/OTC:FISV), a leading computer services company providing data processing and information management systems to financial institutions worldwide, has agreed to acquire the California ratail automated teller machine (ATM) processing network of GTE Commercial Services Inc. of Long Beach, Calif.

GTE Commercial Services, which also does business as GTE EFT Services, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of GTE Information Services, based in Tampa, Fla. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

With this agreement, Fiserv acquires a network of 383 ATMs serving 16 major retailing clients throughout California. All processing for the transactions and related services for the ATMs in the network will be handled through the specialized resources of the Fiserv data center in Fresno, Calif. The ATMs are located in the stores of major retail chains, including Safeway, Vons, Pavilions, Hughes, Boys Markets and Price Club.

''As a servicer for financial institutions, we have a commitment to provide our clients' customers with access to the modern financial technology they need in today's fast-paced world,'' says George D. Dalton, chairman and chief executive officer for Fiserv.

''With this most recent agreement, we're growing our service capabilities to fit the lifestyle of these customers by providing the financial services they need within retail outlets.''

Among financial institution data processors, Fiserv is the fourth largest driver of ATMs in the industry, and ranks among the nation's top 20 third-party providers of EFT gateway services. The company provides interfaces to over 37 regional and national ATM and POS networks throughout the country, allowing shared access to over 60,000 ATMs nationwide.

''Nationally, Fiserv handles in excess of seven million ATM transactions per month, while directly driving over 1,200 ATMs,'' says Leslie M. Muma, president and chief operating officer for Fiserv.

''Our Fresno Center continues to enhance the services and technology unique to the EFT industry. Their efforts, combined with the expertise and resources available through the national Fiserv network, makes us a significant player in the ATM, point-of-sale debit and card management business.''

Kenneth Johnson, Senior Executive Vice President, Electronic Banking, adds, ''With our entry into the ratail ATM business for supermarket and warehouse outlets, Fiserv will be positioned to offer additional financial services such as point-of-sale debit, credit card and check authorization.''

In the past six years Fiserv, a Milwaukee-based company, has grown into a national network of specialized information management centers and subsidiary companies. The company's data centers are located throughout the United States, providing processing for over 19.5 million customer accounts and serving more than 950 client financial institutions.

In 1989, the company's annual revenues were over $164 million, an increase of 31 percent over the prior year's record. A publicly held company, Fiserv

stock is traded in the NASDAQ over the counter market system under the symbol FISV.

GTE Information Services offers industry-specific software and services, publishing and marketing capabilities through its businesses.

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SAN BERNARDINO, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Kasler Corp. (NASDAQ:KASL), a leader in the highway/heavy-construction industry, Monday announced that the company has agreed to an out-of-court settlement of its lawsuit against the Texas Turnpike Authority.

The suit, filed by Kasler in July 1988, involved claims in the form of additional costs incurred by the company on Contract DNT-113 and Contract DNT-114, two construction projects on the North Dallas tollway.

Bob Ferguson, the company's president and chief executive officer, commenting on the settlement, said, ''We are pleased that we were able to reach an agreement with the Texas Turnpike Authority that was acceptable to all involved.''

In accordance with an agreement between the parties, the amount of the settlement was not disclosed. According to Ferguson, however, the amount of the settlement exceeded the costs deferred by the company.

Kasler is a general contractor engaged in the construction of concrete roadways, bridges and other public-works projects including airfields and water-control distribution facilities.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Larry Gerhard, president, chief executive officer and director, Ventura Software Inc., a Xerox company, told users of its popular desktop publishing products that software companies able to supply cross-compatible, multi-platform solutions would make the critical market gains needed for continued success in the 1990s.

In his keynote address yesterday before more than 650 attendees at the second annual Ventura Publishers User Group Seminar meeting here, Sept. 30 through Oct. 2 at the Red Lion Inn, Gerhard said, ''Our strategy is to ensure that our rapidly growing portfolio of publishing solutions spans the full range of desktop computer platforms and cooperative processing environments -- today, every desktop computer user is a publisher.''

Ventura Publisher holds a leading market share on the PC platform. Recently introduced product additions will make Ventura Publisher available to Macintosh and OS/2 users. Plans call for the introduction of a UNIX version for Sun Microsystems' workstations in 1991.

Gerhard also announced a series of customer service and support enhancements, including a newly installed phone system, a strengthened support staff located at San Diego headquarters and programs to capture and use customer feedback.

Referring to the organizational changes the company has completed during the past year, Gerhard said, ''Today, we have in place a new company, a new team, and a new business strategy committed to the growing demands of our customers.

Ventrua Software Inc. is dedicated to programs that ensure superior product functionality and reliability; on-line, real-time, high-quality technical support and long-range responsiveness to business needs.''

The 1990 Ventura Publisher Seminar, co-sponsored by Ventura Software Inc. and the Ventura Publisher Users Group, is featuring more than 20 separate sessions on topics ranging from database publishing to vertical justification to starting your own desktop publishing business.

Users can visit a Technology Suite set up for free demonstrations and technical support, and can browse through the 100-plus pages of the Seminar Magazine filled with tips, tricks and information about Ventura Publisher.

Ventura Software Inc., a Xerox company, is a leading supplier of publishing, forms processing and database software solutions. Ventura Publisher and FormBase are currently available for IBM PCs and compatibles. By year end 1990, Ventura Publisher will also be available for the Apple Macintosh platform and in 1991 will be offered for the UNIX platform running under OPEN LOOK.

The company markets is software solutions through a worldwide dealer network of more than 6,000 outlets. Ventura Software Inc., formerly Xerox Desktop Software, has its headquarters in San Diego, Calif.

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EL SEGUNDO, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Computer Sciences Corp. (NYSE:CSC) has won a contract valued at $347 million for technical and operating support services to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The contract significantly expands the scope of services that CSC provides to EPA's headquarters, 10 regional offices, 14 laboratories and National Computer Center. The company has been the agency's principal contractor for information technology services since 1977 under a series of prior contracts. It won the new award in a competitive procurement.

EPA amasses staggering amounts of data in its mission to preserve and improve the environment. National databases, for instance, store information on the contents and ownership history of toxic waste sites; on the composition and volume of waste water that individual companies are permitted to discharge into rivers and lakes; on particulates discharged into the air by autos and industry, and other sources of air, water and soil pollutants.

CSC assists the agency to manage and utilize this data effectively through the application of advanced information technology. The company provides a wide array of services in data processing and telecommunications, ranging from office automation and records management to data analysis, the development of geographic information systems and the preparation of computer models for predicting pollution patterns.

The company's responsibilities span virtually all of the agency's functions in information resource management, from assistance in monitoring compliance with federal regulations to supporting experimental research in EPA laboratories.

The company's Applied Technology division, with headquarters in Falls Church, Va., performs the work with a nationwide staff of some 1,000 analysts, programmers, telecommunications specialists, statisticians, meteorologists and other technicians. CSC expects this staff will increase to more than 1,600 over the term of the new contract.

CSC's EPA support operation has headquarters in Research Triangle Park, N.C.

The contract, effective Sept. 28, 1990, covers a five-year period. The company estimates its value at $54 million for the first year and at $347 million over five years if the government exercises all of its options.

CSC is a major supplier of information technology services to government and industry. With annual revenues of $1.5 billion, it is the largest independent professional-services company in the computer industry.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The Transco Energy Co. (NYSE:E) board of directors Monday declared quarterly dividends of $1.1875 per share on the $4.75 series cumulative convertible preferred stock and $.955 per share on the 9.25 percent cumulative convertible preferred stock.

Each preferred dividend is payable Nov. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 16, 1990.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Taking advantage of the overwhelming popularity of Hewlett Packard's Laserjet IIP, Laserjet III and Laserjet IIID, AMKLY Systems Inc. Monday introduced low-cost memory-

expansion boards that provide up to 4 megabytes for the laser printers.

The Irvine-based firm, founded last year by Albert C. Wong, who is a former co-founder of AST Research Inc., is offering the AMjet series memory add-ons at substantially lower prices than HP and most other suppliers.

Available for immediate delivery from Ingram Micro D and authorized AMKLY resellers, the boards include the 1MB AMjet-1000 for $195 (suggested retail price), 2MB AMjet-2000 for $295, 3MB AMjet-3000 for $395 and 4MB AMjet-4000 for $495. All AMKLY boards co-exist with other 100 percent compatible memory boards as long as the total amount of memory does not exceed 4MB, and all carry a five-year warranty.

Equivalent memory-expansion boards from HP carry list prices of $335 for the 1MB version and $560 for the 2MB board. HP does not offer a 4MB version and upgrades require installation of two 2MB HP boards.

''According to all industry indicators, HP is doing everything right to maintain its dominant leadership position in the laser- printer market. And our research shows that there is definite user demand for economical alternatives to memory upgrades for the Laserjet IIP, III and IIID printers,'' said Wong.

''We are meeting that demand with high-quality products, reputable engineering surface-mount technology and top-grade components at very competitive pricing '' he said.

AMKLY Systems is based at 60 Technology Dr., Irvine, Calif. 92718; telephone: 714/727-0788.

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TORONTO, ONTARIO (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Central Crude Ltd. is pleased to report that it has entered into a second option agreement with Tandem Resources Ltd. and Storimin Exploration, wherein the company has been granted the right to earn up to 60% of the Moss Lake gold project, located some 70 miles west of Thunder Bay, Ontario.

Central Crude has the right to provide a further $2.5 million of exploration funds on the project in order to increase its interests to 60%. As part of this agreement, Central Crude will provide by way of a private placement $250,000 to each of Tandem Resources and Storimin Exploration. In addition, Central Crude has been granted the exclusive right of first refusal to provide all forms of financing to Tandem/Storimin.

The current drill program has been accelerated with a second drill now being employed. The current program will attempt to extend the known mineralization with a series of 400' spaced step out holes currently in progress.

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Monday announced the availability of a nationwide 800-number product for residential use.

The service will permit consumers to have their own toll-free 800 number in their home without changing their current long distance company. The service uses the customer's existing equipment and telephone lines and permits the consumer to receive the same benefits that business users have discovered in using an 800 number.

''The time is right to introduce 800 service to the residential market,'' said Steve Akin, president of the Consumer Services Group for US Sprint.

''In today's society,'' Akin said, ''the use of an 800 residential number makes a lot of sense: Parents of college students can stay in touch with their sons and daughters on a regular basis and control costs. Large scattered families can talk economically with each other.

''Independent business people, such as real estate agents, sales representatives, and attorneys can offer their out-of-town clients and friends across the country the ease of using an 800 number when calling them. It adds a distinctive touch to our residential and small business offerings by letting our customers take advantage of this unique service.''

Residential 800 service offers an affordable alternative to collect and operator-assisted calling.

US Sprint's 800 service offers the user savings, convenience, and a highly personal product that can be readily implemented for a reasonable monthly fee. Set-up can usually be completed in five working days. US Sprint will waive the $50 installation fee for those signing up in the next three months. Users are billed a flat $10 monthly fee, plus normal long distance charges for calls received.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City.

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OAKLAND, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - W.B. Seaton, chairman of American President Companies Ltd., Monday announced the results of the company's cost repositioning and process simplification program.

During the month of September, the company eliminated 380 positions. Because of attrition and the company's ability to place employees into open positions, the actual number of full-time employees laid off was limited to approximately 200.

According to Seaton, the elimination of positions and other cost reduction activities will result in an annual operating cost savings of more than $40 million as the company enters 1991.

''The new organization resulting from our repositioning and simplification

program will enable the company to improve responsiveness to customers, while maintaining a high level of service,'' Seaton said. He noted that the steps taken in the R&S program represented the effort of more than 100 APC employees working on cross-functional teams in recent weeks to make recommendations.

Seaton said the company is financially strong, with an excellent cash position. ''The proper time to implement this type of program is before a company is in trouble. The R&S program is a way to improve our financial performance and maintain our position as an industry leader.''

Employees laid off during the R&S program are eligible for a special severance plan. The plan includes compensation and benefits for an extended period after an employee's final day of work, career counseling or outplacement services, and use of a company-funded off-site transition center in Oakland.

American President Companies provides container distribution and transportation services within and between Asia and North America, through an intermodal system that combines ocean, rail and truck transportation.

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DALLAS (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Commercial Metals Co. (NYSE), headquartered in Dallas, and Siskin Steel & Supply Co. Inc. of Chattanooga, finalized last Friday the purchase by Commercial Metals of substantially all the operating assets related to Siskin's scrap recycling operation.

In making the announcement Harry J. Heinkele, president of CMC's Secondary Metals Processing Division, said: ''In addition to the original agreement, announced in early August and now concluded, we have agreed to purchase a nine-acre tract of river front property in Chattanooga owned but not currently being used by Siskin. CMC plans to eventually develop this property as a scrap metal shipping and receiving facility.''

Heinkele earlier said the company plans to consolidate Siskin's scrap processing operation into CMC's current location at 400 East 20th in Chattanooga, as well as add new equipment already on order.

Siskin Steel will retain its multi-location steel service center chain which now serves seven states, an operation that grew out of its scrap recycling company founded over 90 years ago.

Commercial Metals Co. was founded 75 years ago as a scrap metal recycling company and has now grown into an organization consisting of three steel

minimills, steel fabrication shops, a copper tube plant, over 30 scrap recycling sites and world-wide trading in various minerals, metals and semi-fabricated, nonferrous metal.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Questar Corp. (NYSE:STR) and Santa Fe Energy Resources (NYSE:SFR) of Houston, Monday announced that two of their affiliates have agreed to jointly drill a series of exploratory wells in the Powder River Basin of Wyoming.

Celsius Energy Co., a wholly owned affiliate of Salt Lake City-based Questar Corp., has entered into a joint oil and gas exploration agreement and area of mutual interest (AMI) with Santa Fe Energy Partners, L.P., (NYSE:SFP) of Houston.

The agreement, which became effective Aug. 1, involves leases on approximately 37,600 acres held by the two companies in the Powder River Basin in Campbell, Crook and Weston counties, Wyoming. It was signed for an initial term ending Dec. 31, 1992, and can be extended from year to year thereafter. Santa Fe is the designated operator of the joint venture during the initial term.

Under the terms of the agreement, each company has assigned to the other a 50 percent interest in all lands and leaseholds except those within existing producing areas in the AMI. The agreement also involves an exchange of proprietary seismic data by the respective companies.

The two companies anticipate drilling six Minnelusa Formation exploratory wells in 1990 and 10 wells yearly thereafter.

Questar Corp. is a diversified energy holding company that engages in natural gas distribution, natural gas transmission, and oil and gas exploration and production.

Santa Fe Energy Partners, L.P., is a publicly traded limited partnership whose units trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SFP.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxtor Corp. (NASDAQ:MXTR), Monday announced the appointment of Albert J. ''Bert'' Moyer to the newly created position of president and chief operating officer of its Maxtor California operation, reporting to George M. Scalise, president and chief executive officer of Maxtor Corp.

Maxtor California designs and manufactures high-performance, high-capacity 5.25-inch and 3.5-inch magnetic disk drives with headquarters in San Jose and manufacturing operations in Singapore and Malaysia. It employs almost 5,000 people worldwide.

''With Bert's appointment as president of Maxtor California, we are completing the restructuring of Maxtor Corp. that commenced with the MiniScribe acquisition in April,'' Scalise said. ''I am confident that in all four of our operating units--Maxtor California, Maxtor Colorado, Storage Dimensions and Maxoptix--we now have the people and organizational structures in place to more effectively lead the data storage industry.''

Reporting to Scalise will be the presidents of the four Maxtor Corp. operating units, and the corporate vice presidents of human resources; sales; corporate affairs and communications; administration; finance and the corporate legal counsel.

Moyer, 46, has spent his career in the electronics industry, most recently at Western Digital Corp. where he was senior vice president, chief financial officer and had operations responsibilities for two strategic business units.

He has also held senior management positions at National Semiconductor and Westinghouse Electric. He is a native of Pittsburgh.

Maxtor Corp. was founded in 1982 and has its headquarters in San Jose, Calif. The company and its subsidiaries design and manufacture high-performance Winchester and optical data storage products in San Jose; Longmont, Colo.; Singapore; Hong Kong and Malaysia, and have a worldwide sales and distribution network. Maxtor's products range from 40 megabytes to 2.1 gigabytes, and are designed for use in computer systems, workstations, personal computers, laptop computers and local area networks.

The corporation employs approximately 9,000 people worldwide. Its stock is traded under the NASDAQ symbol MXTR.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Western Bancshares Inc.

(ASE:PWB), the parent company of the $1.3 billion Pacific Western Bank, announced Monday that it is increasing its total common stock repurchase amount from 400,000 shares up to as much as one million shares.

Other terms of the repurchase plan originally announced on Aug. 20 remain the same.

Phillip R. Boyce, chairman and chief executive officer of the San Jose based bank holding company, stated: ''The Board of Directors and management view the repurchase of up to one million shares of our common stock as an excellent investment opportunity at current price levels.

''Pacific Western's stock, in our opinion, is undervalued when our returns and capital ratios are considered. We anticipate having more capital than the new regulatory requirements at year end using pro forma projections of such repurchases at current price levels.''

Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. is a bank holding company. Through its subsidiaries, the company offers trust and asset management services. The holding company's Pacific Western Bank has 28 locations in three counties serving California's Santa Clara Valley and Monterey Bay area.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - International CMOS Technology Inc. (OTC/Pink Sheets) announced the appointment Monday of Ernest J. Abeytia to the new position of director of worldwide sales.

Abeytia has been previously responsible for North American sales activity for ICT and has been with the company for four years.

Abeytia will be responsible for all sales activity in major and minor geographies and through all sales representative and distributor channels. He will report to Drew Allen Osterman, chairman and chief executive officer.

''Ernies's knowledge of the company and his ability to build long-term relationships will give us the focus we need to continue our sales growth during the coming years,'' stated Osterman.

International CMOS Technology Inc. (ICT) designs, manufactures and markets user programmable integrated circuits. ICT's products include a variety of memory and logic devices, and the development tools for designing with user programmable products.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Telecom (NYSE:NT), in a filing Monday with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), proposed a planning framework to foster future evolution of personal communications systems (PCS) across a variety of existing and emerging technologies.

Key to the filing is a requirement for new radio spectrum to handle the huge anticipated demand for personal communications in an increasingly mobile society.

Northern Telecom stressed the need for the widest possible selection of spectrum and services, open access to that spectrum for all operators, and deregulation in every aspect other than standards, in managing the evolution of PCS.

Specifically, Northern Telecom recommended that the FCC:

-- encourage the telecommunications industry to quickly resolve key issues, such as establishing a common numbering plan;

-- create an environment that focuses on network interoperability, efficient bandwidth utilization, and prevention of radio interference, and that minimizes regulatory restrictions on services;

-- immediately allocate the necessary bandwidth to permit introduction of low-power, two-way wireless in-building and local area communications.

In a PCS environment, users are assigned a personal number which travels with them as they roam across various public, cellular, and business communications networks. PCS includes the intelligence to locate and identify users in transit, and to deliver their incoming calls.

To expedite initial development of these systems, Northern Telecom proposed an open standard for low-power, wireless, personal communications services, utilizing available spectrum. This proposed standard, referred to as PCI (for personal communications interface), would be made available to the entire industry.

PCI uses two-way communications channels and separate common channels for call set-up signaling. Benefits of this approach include quicker call set-ups, more efficient use of bandwidth, increased battery life for portable telephones, and rapid deployment within telecommunications networks.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities, and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Everex Systems Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:EVRX) Monday announced the appointment of Michael McCloskey, formally controller, to the position of vice president of finance and chief financial officer.

McCloskey has a bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Santa Clara, and was previously employed at several high-technology startup firms. During his four-year tenure at Everex, McCloskey has been responsible for personnel, purchasing, accounting, inventory and other duties.

According to president and chief executive officer Steve Hui: ''Mike has been responsible for the day-to-day financial operations of Everex for several years. No one is better qualified for this new, expanded role within the company.''

The company also announced that founder Wayne Cheung has decided to leave effective Friday, Oct. 5. Cheung is leaving to form a trading company which will specialize in trading high technology products between the Far East and the United States. Everex does not view Cheung's venture as competitive.

Cheung is currently president of AGI Computer Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Everex. He is also vice president, Business Development, where he principally negotiated terms and conditions with outside vendors. His responsibilities at AGI will be assumed by Raymond Yu, vice president of Engineering.

Yu will also assume the title and most of the duties of vice president, Business Development. Cheung's responsibilities in dealing with outside vendors will be taken over by Philip Lau, vice president of Operations.

Everex Systems, with headquarters in Fremont, is a leading manufacturer of personal computers and peripheral and enhancement products for the personal computer marketplace. Founded in 1983, Everex markets its products worldwide through a network of value-added dealers and resellers.

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PARAMOUNT, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Albert N. Greenfield, chairman of the board of directors, and James H. Cheney, president and chief executive officer of Merchants National Bank, announced Monday that the bank has further extended its public offering of common stock and convertible subordinated debentures.

The bank is offering up to 166,667 shares of common stock at $12 per share, and up to $3 million of convertible subordinated debentures. Each debenture has a face value of $1,000 and a coupon rate of 9.25 percent per annum. The debentures, which have a term of 15 years, will be convertible into common stock at any time on or before maturity at a conversion price of $15 per share.

The offering was to expire Monday, pursuant to a prior extension announced Sept. 7, unless extended by the bank in its discretion. The bank has decided to extend the offering until Oct. 15. All subscriptions received to date will remain in the escrow account and continue to earn interest until the close of the offering.

Questions about the offering can be answered, and copies of the Mechnics National Bank Offering Circular can be acquired by calling our sales center at 213/529-2800 or 800/662-6028. Ask to speak to a broker about Mechanics National Bank.

NOTE: This announcement is neither an offer to sell nor a solicitation of an offer to buy common stock or debentures. The offer is made only through the offering circular.

These securities are not deposits and are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. The debentures are subordinate to the claims of depositors and other creditors as more fully described in the offering circular.

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MILPITAS, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Adaptec (NASDAQ:ADPT) Monday announced that it has filed suit against California Micro Devices Inc. for the return of mask sets and other confidential materials and for damages.

Under the framework of several engineering service agreements, CMD had been given access to Adaptec's intellectual property while developing tooling for

the manufacture of some of Adaptec's early generation proprietary ASICs.

Because CMD was unable to complete the projects, Adaptec terminated the relationship. Despite repeated demands by Adaptec for the return of its intellectual property, CMD has refused.

''While the initiation of a lawsuit is a very serious matter and undertaken by Adaptec only in extreme situations, it has become apparent that CMD was unwilling to return Adaptec's property and confidential information after the termination of our relationship with them,'' stated John G. Adler, Adaptec's chairman and chief executive officer.

''Adaptec will take whatever action is necessary to protect its intellectual property rights.''

The suit was filed today in Santa Clara County Superior Court. It seeks the immediate return of Adaptec's confidential materials and tooling, attorney's fees and punitive and general damages including reimbursement for the expenses incurred by Adaptec resulting from CMD's failure to perform.

Adaptec is a leading supplier of high-performance semiconductor and software Input/Output solutions. Products include proprietary VLSI circuits for SCSI, AT and MCA interfaces, high-performance ESDI controllers for AT, EISA and Micro Channel interfaces, SCSI-based host adapters, a family of SCSI test and development systems, and a recently introduced family of laser printer controllers.

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DENVER (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - AIRCOA Hotel Partners L.P. (''AHP'')(AMEX:AHT) announced Monday termination of its offer announced Dec. 1 1989, to purchase hotel properties from five limited partnerships.

Robert M. James, president and chief executive officer of AIRCOA Hospitality Services Inc., the general partner of AHP, said that the offer was being terminated due to the failure to obtain necessary consents from the limited partners of certain of the five limited partnerships and changes in the hotel and financial markets.

The non-receipt of the consents and changes in market conditions have resulted in the failure to meet certain conditions precedent to concluding the proposed acquisitions.

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DALLAS (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Maynard Oil Co. (NASDAQ:MOIL) Monday announced that it has successfully completed a $13.7 million acquisition of producing oil and gas properties from Sun Operating Limited Partnership.

Maynard purchased an interest in five leases covering 860 surface acres in the Northeast portion of the Levelland Field in Hockley County, Texas. It is estimated that this purchase will add 525 net barrels to Maynard's daily production. This purchase will be financed through bank borrowings and the utilization of a portion of the company's cash.

Sun Operating Limited Partnership is managed by Oryx Energy Co. of Dallas, which as managing general partner has a 98 percent ownership of the limited partnership.

Maynard Oil Co. is engaged in the exploration, development, and production of oil and natural gas in the United States. In addition, the company's wholly owned subsidiary, BDK Drilling Co., provides contract drilling services in South Texas.

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BELLEVUE, Wash. (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Charles M. Pigott, chairman and chief executive officer of PACCAR Inc, announced Monday that the board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend in the amount of 25 cents per share, payable on Dec. 5, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 19, 1990.

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MANCHESTER, NH (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - SoftLogic Solutions Inc. Thursday announced a cooperative marketing agreement with Digital Equipment Corp. of Maynard, Mass., in which Digital will select SoftLogic's popular Software Carousel PC/DOS-based task-switching software system.

Software Carousel solves a major problem faced by many of Digital's customers

who need to create simple, reliable, multi-tasking PC environments that support E-mail and other network applications.

''Companies that want to preserve their DOS-based computer investment are particularly in need of software solutions like Software Carousel becauses it gives them multi-application capabilities without the expense of upgrading to OS/2 or Windows,'' said Cliff Pratt, chief operating officer of SoftLogic Solutions.

Under the agreement, Digital will make Software Carousel available to customers through the company's direct sales force worldwide, its Personal Computing Integration Software and Hardware catalog, and the ''DEC Direct'' telecommunications store. Initially, Digital plans to target sales within its Fortune 100 multinational, financial service and commercial accounts.

Software Carousel, now in its fourth release, is one of the leading task-switching software programs available for DOS-based PCs. First published in 1986, the program sells for $89.95 and enables users to load as many as applications at the same time, then switch back and forth between them at the touch of a key using as little computer memory (RAM) as possible.

Digital Equipment Corp., headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from desktop to the data center.

SoftLogic Solutions Inc. of Manchester, N.H., established in 1983, is a privately held company that develops and markets innovative optimization software for DOS-based computer systems. In addition to Software Carousel, the company publishes Disk Optimizer, DoubleDos, Cubit, Magic Mirror, ClassiFile, Liberty, FATCAT and Open Link Extender (OLE'). In tandem with Software Carousel, OLE' allows users to execute network transactions in the background while performing other tasks.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - TEMPEST Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: TTOI) Monday announced the formation of a new division to provide a wide ranging array of information security products and services.

The Information Security Technologies division will offer turnkey information

security systems, designed to meet the needs of both government agencies and major corporations.

The announcement culminates several months of corporate planning and external negotiations, which led to a series of strategic agreements with key hardware manufacturers, software developers, and systems consultants, working in different facets of information security.

According to TEMPEST Technologies' President, David Lucien: ''We've put together a body of expertise and products that allows us to offer comprehensive turnkey solutions, which can be readily applied to a wide range of information security needs.''

He went on to point out that: ''The need to protect sensitive data is rapidly becoming one of the most important operational issues facing government agencies and large corporations today. Our engineering and production expertise in the TEMPEST arena, coupled with advanced hardware and software components developed by our strategic partners, provide a solid technological basis for immediate entry into this fast growing market.

''We can now offer turnkey solutions that are tailored to the specific requirements of a given organization, yet incorporate the dependability, immediate installation capability, and cost saving benefits of off-the-shelf components.''

The Information Security Technologies division is organized to support a new ''trusted'' line of comprehensive computer network systems, featuring multi-level computer and communications security.

The products are being built around the company's commercial system platform, the INTEGRATOR SERIES, which is a line of robust and flexible personal computer and micro computer based products.

These ''trusted systems'' offer enormous flexibility in terms of speed, memory multi-tasking ability, and applications software. They can be structured to meet even the most demanding security requirements, including DoD's B2 level security rating.

To further compliment its new offerings, Information Security Technologies has introduced a Communications Network Server that provides both physical and software security as well as a proprietary removable and transportable hard disk product line, called the TRANSPORT SERIES.

Among the companies supporting Information Security Technolgies in this new venture are: Trusted Information Systems Inc., developer of the Trusted Xenix operating system, the only operating system, thus far, that has been accepted for formal certification at the B2 level; the Verdix Corp., with its B2 certified VSLAN system, which permits multi-level security within a Local

Area Network (LAN) environment; and AST Research Inc, with its innovative, high performance personal computer line, providing an advanced hardware architecture that supports Information Security Technolgies' strategy.

The emphasis being placed on this new division by the company's top management is reflected in the way it is being introduced in the marketplace. The divisional name will take precedence over its corporate affiliation: INFORMATION SECURITY TECHNOLOGIES, a division of TEMPEST Technologies Inc. ''This is a market we intend to be in for the long term,'' notes Lucien.

Based in Herndon, Va., TEMPEST Technologies Inc. is a leading producer of TEMPEST certified and ruggedized computers and peripherals for the Department of Defense, and other government agencies.

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METHUEN, MA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Parlex Corp. reported Monday that James R. Barnes, 51, executive vice president, was killed in a private plane crash on Friday, Sept. 28, 1990 on his way to his vacation home on Nantucket Island, Mass.

Barnes joined Parlex in March, 1990, in this newly created position. His responsibilities will revert back to President Herbert W. Pollack.

Commenting on the accident, Pollack said, ''We are deeply saddened by the loss of Jim Barnes. In the short time that he was part of our company, he impressed all of his associates with his quick grasp of our business. He will be sorely missed.''

Parlex is a leader in the design and manufacture of interconnection and packaging for semiconductors and electronic components. Its custom product line of flexible printed circuits and flexible-rigid multilayers (Flexilayers) can include the assembly of surface mount components. Parlex also manufactures custom laminated cable and complex rigid multilayer circuits. Its facilities are located in Methuen, Mass.; Salem, N.H. and Carson City, Nev.

Parlex is unique in the industry for its ability to provide a complete range of services for its entire product line, including CAD design, manufacturing, assemby and computerized testing. These cost-effective, versatile, reliable and innovative products are sold to original equipment manufactures in the communications, computer, military-aerospace, medical automotive and other industrial electronics industries.

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WALLINGFORD, CT (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: NMTXE) Monday announced results for the first quarter ended July 29, 1990.

The Company reported revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 of $4,028,000 compared to $6,035,000 reported for the first quarter in fiscal 1990. The Company reported a net loss of $1,254,000, or $0.32 per share, compared to a net loss of $726,000, or $0.19 per share, for the comparable quarter in fiscal 1990.

William J. Lacourciere, President and Chief Operating Officer of NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC., stated, ''Revenues for the quarter reflect the after effects of a difficult year and the perception by many of the Company's distributors that a takeover by Siemens Medical Electronics Inc. was imminent which would result in their termination. The Company reassured its distributors that their fears were unfounded and, in fact, we have begun to attract new distributors to sell our products. For the current quarter, which ends October 28, 1990, we are experiencing an improvement in sales.''

Lacourciere continued, ''We are pleased to maintain a close working relationship with our primary lender as we continue to meet our monthly interest obligations in accordance with our May 1990 agreement with the bank.''

NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. is a leading developer, manufacturer and marketer of medical electronic instruments that non-invasively and continuously measure a patient's oxygen and carbon dioxide status. The Company's products are used in operating rooms, intensive care units, respiratory therapy departments and transport situations.

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PARIS (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer Europe Monday announced the promotion of Michael A. Newton to the position of general manager of Apple Computer U.K. Ltd. and director of Apple Computer Europe, effective immediately.

He will report directly to Soren Olsson, president of Apple Computer Europe.

Newton, 40, has directed the Customer Services and Distribution Department of

Apple Computer U.K. since 1988. In this position he was responsible for technical support and training of Apple's dealers in the United Kingdom as well as distribution of finished product. Prior to joining Apple, Newton completed 16 years in the computer

industry with computer companies ICL and then Prime Computer.

Senior management positions at Prime included European Marketing director and director of its Northern European Region. As such, he was responsible for Prime's operations in several European countries.

In announcing this appointment, Olsson emphasized that the promotion of Newton to general manager of Apple U.K. continues

Apple's commitment to fulfilling customer requirements.

''Mike has proven his ability in effectively developing training and support for our channel and ultimately our customers. His computer industry experience, combined with his skills in managing large organizations, will help us realize the enormous potential of the U.K. market.''

Newton holds a Bsc Hons in Computer Science from Hatfield Polytechnic.

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WALLINGFORD, CT (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: NMTXE) Monday announced that the U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut granted summary judgment in the Company's favor, finding that NOVAMETRIX's pulse oximeters do not infringe on a patent owned by the BOC Group Inc.

On February 1, 1990, the Company announced that the U.S. Court of Appeals had reversed the U.S. District Court's decision that the Company's pulse oximeters literally infringed a patent held by the BOC Group Inc. At that time, the U.S. Court of Appeals remanded the patent action to the District Court of Connecticut for consideration of the doctrine of equivalents as it pertained to the issue of infringement.

The summary judgment granted by the District Court of Connecticut found that the Company's pulse oximeters do not contain certain elements which would constitute equivalency and, therefore, the pulse oximeters do not infringe on BOC's patent.

William J. Lacourciere, President and Chief Operating Officer of NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC., stated, ''We are extremely pleased with the District Court's decision, which has reaffirmed our consistent position since this litigation was initiated over four years ago that the Company would prevail in this action.''

NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. is a leading designer, developer, manufacturer and marketer of medical electronic instruments which non-invasively and continuously assess a critically ill patient's oxygen and carbon dioxide status. The Company's products are primarily used in operating rooms, intensive care units and respiratory therapy departments.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Best Western International has announced plans to add more than 120 hotels in eastern Europe, Greece, South America and South Asia by 1995.

The expansion marks the global lodging chain's first move into the Soviet Union, eastern Germany, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Greece, Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, Paraguay, India, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh. Best Western will also continue development in Hungary and Ecuador.

With the addition of Greece, Best Western is now represented in every western European country. The expansion will extend the chain's growth in South America and mark its first move into South Asia, according to Ronald A. Evans, Best Western's chief executive officer.

''Our main goal is to provide travelers to these areas with a name they recognize and quality hotels,'' says Evans. ''We will also be creating Best Western brand name awareness within these countries which will promote Best Western loyalty when those travelers visit the United States.''

Best Western opened its first Eastern bloc property, the 440-room Best Western Hotel Korona in Budapest, Hungary, in June 1990. More than 900 hotels in Europe are currently affiliated with Best Western, making it Europe's largest lodging chain.

One property--the 250-room Best Western Hotel Quito in Ecuador--has

represented Best Western in South America since 1988. Centennial Enterprises Inc., will coordinate the continued development on that continent.

Consulting Marketing Services of Athens will organize development efforts in Greece, while efforts in South Asia will be managed by Uday Management Services Pvt. Ltd., of New Delhi which also serves as Best Western's general sales agent for the region.

By the year 2000, Best Western will be represented by more than 5,000 properties in 60 countries. Currently, Best Western is the world's largest lodging chain with more than 3,300 independently owned and operated hotels, motor inns and resorts in 37 countries throughout North America, western Europe, Israel, Hungary, Ecuador and the South Pacific.

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WALLINGFORD, CONN. (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: NMTXE) Monday announced that it has received a $200,000 purchase order for its mainstream capnography products from an East Coast hospital.

On September 4, 1990, the Company announced a $200,000 purchase order for its oximetry products from a different hospital at a major East Coast university.

The order is the single largest Intensive Care Unit (''ICU'') order for capnography products in NOVAMETRIX's history. The hospital selected the Company's Model 7000 capnograph for use on ventilated patients in the respiratory ICU. Revenues from the order will be recognized during the quarter ending October 28, 1990.

Commenting on the capnography order, William J. Lacourciere, President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, ''We are particularly pleased to announce this order as it demonstrates the outstanding clinical performance of mainstream capnography over side stream competitors. Furthermore, we are encouraged about the increased utilization of capnography monitoring in the ICU, where the market potential for this technology far exceeds the operating room marketplace.''

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Nantucket Corp. announced Monday an agreement with Phoenix-based Digital Composition Systems (DCS) to become the exclusive international distributor of dbPUBLISHER Professional and dbPUBLISHER for Ventura.

''Nantucket's familiarity with the development community, and its excellent distribution capabilities are well suited to introduce and support dbPUBLISHER '' said Randy Best, president and chief technologist at DCS. ''We need a company with a strong background in the application development field as well as the international distribution network necessary for effective marketing.''

dbPUBLISHER is a complete database and spreadsheet information publishing system, that directly links to more than 85 dissimilar database, spreadsheet, word processor and graphic files to produce fully formatted typeset quality pages. Since the printed output is data driven, updates to files can be instantly translated into documents, eliminating aged information.

Popular uses include directories, catalogs, price lists, forms, financial/management reports, power form letters and bar coding.

''dbPUBLISHER complements our product portfolio,'' said Ulla Rodman, director of international sales and marketing for Nantucket, ''since the dbPUBLISHER market is comprised of users who need to combine the benefits of desktop publishing with live database and spreadsheets. We will also offer dbPUBLISHER users the same level of technical support users have come to expect from Nantucket.''

Nantucket, a leading developer of PC application development systems, has international offices in Germany, the United Kingdom and the Soviet Union, as well as distribution channels throughout Europe, Australia, New Zealand, Latin America, Africa and Asia.

Founded in 1984, Los Angeles-based Nantucket is the maker of Clipper 5.0, an open-architecture application development system that includes user-extensible command function sets, a compiler with preprocessor, linker and a full set of development utilities. Clipper 5.0's database driver is replaceable, permitting concurrent use of multiple database formats within the same application.

Clipper is currently available in English, German, French, Spanish, Portuguese Japanese and Cryllic.

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WALLINGFORD, CT (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: NMTXE) Monday announced that it has entered into a distribution agreement with Fukuda- Denshi, a leading distributor of medical products in Japan.

While specific terms of the agreement were not disclosed, the Company stated that Fukuda-Denshi has signed a commitment to distribute the Company's pulse oximetry and capnography products for a minimum of two years. Fukuda-Denshi has placed an initial purchase order of approximately $400,000 to be delivered during NOVAMETRIX's second quarter ending October 28, 1990.

The Company stated that Japanese distribution of its neonatal products will continue to be handled by Atom Medical International, a distributor which specializes in the neonatal market.

William J. Lacourciere, President and Chief Operating Officer of NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC., stated, ''We are extremely pleased to announce our distribution agreement with Fukuda-Denshi as it once again affirms the Company's superior products and provides NOVAMETRIX with access to the Japanese adult critical care marketplace. We are confident that this arrangement will enhance our presence in the Far East, resulting in increased revenues for the Company.''

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UNIVERSAL CITY, CALIF. (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - To insure its future growth and continued global expansion, Sid Sheinberg, president and chief operating officer of MCA INC., Monday announced the promotions of Jay S. Stein to the position of chairman and chief executive officer of MCA Recreation Services Group, with current Universal Studios Hollywood chief executive Ron Bension moving up to president and chief operating officer, MCA Recreation Services

Group.

In announcing the promotions, which are effective immediately, Sheinberg said: ''MCA Recreation Services Group is one of the most important and evolving elements in the MCA family, especially as we move into the highly competitive '90s, facing increasingly sophisticated competition for audiences worldwide.

''We are, therefore, doubly fortunate in having available to us the talents, experience, energies and over 50 years of the combined executive leadership of Jay Stein and Ron Bension, two of the most creative and able individuals in the leisure-time industry.

''Jay Stein has made continued and significant contributions to our company for over three decades, including 16 years as president of MCA Recreation Services Group, and he is largely responsible for his division's significant leadership position.

''While continuing his oversight of existing Recreation Group activities, his new assignment will allow him to more fully devote his time, energies and unique experience in the development of new leisure-time business opportunities.''

Jay S. Stein, 53, joined MCA INC. in 1959 and has held a number of key executive positions within various departments of the company. He has served as a corporate vice president of MCA INC. since 1973 and in 1981 was also appointed chairman of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

Ron Bension, 36, began his career at Universal Studios Hollywood in 1971 and rose through the ranks to become, at age 33, one of the youngest senior executives of any major company in the United States. He was named president and chief operating officer of the facility in 1988.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Xsirius Inc. (NASDAQ:XSIR) Monday announced that research has been completed under a contract between its subsidiary, Xsirius Phontonics (XPI), and the Long Beach, Calif. V.A. Hospital to develop a hand-held radiation detector that will instantly indicate the presence of contamination by low-level radioactive isotopes such as tritium.

Immediate detection of contamination is important because the spread of low-level radiation can pose a health risk to researchers and can distort medical and scientific test results. Present methods of detection often take over 24 hours to provide results.

The target market for this detector consists of virtually every facility engaged in biomedical research, carbon dating, and all major hospitals and universities. The United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission requires users of radioactive materials to employ such state-of-the-art contamination detection equipment.

Now that the research phase of the project has been completed, XPI is finalizing plans to complete engineering and production design and to begin manufacturing and marketing the instruments.

Xsirius Photonics Inc., based in Los Angeles, is a leader in the development of advanced silicon avalanche detectors (SADs) that detect and amplify low-level light and radiation signals.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Landmark Graphics Corp. Monday announced the closing of the previously announced agreement to acquire Zycor Inc., effective Sept. 30.

Zycor Inc. is the leading vendor for interactive mapping and subsurface geologic modeling software.

Landmark's acquisition of Zycor was based on a stock for stock exchange and will be treated as a pooling of interests for accounting purposes. Landmark issued approximately 600,000 shares of Landmark stock with a value of approximately $11 million as of Sept. 28. As a wholly owned subsidiary, Zycor will maintain its operations and Austin, Texas headquarters.

The previously announced intent to acquire Inverse Theory & Application Inc. (ITA), of Calgary, Canada is expected to close during Landmark's fiscal 1991 second quarter, pending completion of due diligence and negotiation of definitive acquisition agreements.

Landmark is a leading supplier of computer-aided exploration technology with systems installed in more than 27 countries.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - ICH Corp. (ASE:ICH) Monday announced that it has successfully closed a 3-1/4, $250 million term loan agreement with a group of banks led by The Chase Manhattan Bank N.A.

The term loan refinances the existing senior bridge loan facility entered into in July of this year.

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TOLEDO, OH (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp. (NYSE:OCF) announced today that Max O. Weber, formerly the company's president and chief operating officer, has assumed the positions of chairman and chief executive officer, succeeding William W. Boeschenstein who is retiring at the age of 65.

Mr. Weber's appointment to succeed Mr. Boeschenstein was announced at the company's annual meeting last April.

Mr. Weber, 60, who was named president and chief operating officer in 1988, joined Owens-Corning in 1955. He was named Senior Vice President and President, Construction Products Group, in 1986. Prior to that, he served as the vice president of a number of operating divisions within the company: the Insulation Operating Division (1984-1986); Mechanical Operating Division (1978-1984); and the Special Products Division (1975-1978). From 1955-1975, he held a variety of marketing and management positions in the company's construction products group.

Mr. Weber received a bachelor of science degree in marketing in 1951 from the University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas. He is married, has a son and a daughter, and resides in Sylvania, Ohio.

Mr. Boeschenstein joined the company in 1950 and held a number of sales, management and marketing positions. He served as vice president for several sales organizations within the company and, in 1964, became vice president for marketing. He was elected executive vice president in 1967.

Mr. Boeschenstein was named president and chief operating officer in 1971, chief executive officer in 1973 and chairman of the board in 1981.

During his tenure as chief executive officer, Owens-Corning's sales increased from $729 million to over $3 billion. The company's growth resulted from expansion of the applications of fiber glass materials and the geographic scope of its markets. Mr. Boeschenstein committed the company to leadership in the technology, manufacturing and marketing of fiber glass. Today, the wide range of industries that use Owens-Corning's products include construction,

automotive, pleasure boating, electronics, appliance, and aerospace.

Mr. Boeschenstein, who will remain a director of Owens-Corning, graduated from Yale University in 1950. He is married, has four sons, and resides in Perrysburg, Ohio.

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ACTON, MA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - CML Group Inc. (NYSE:CML), a leading direct marketer of consumer products, Monday reported earnings from continuing operations in of $13,954,000 or $2.01 per share, fully diluted, for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

This compares to a loss of $5,534,000, or $.85 per share, in fiscal 1989.

As projected earlier, the writedown associated with the sale of its discontinued operations, in particular Carroll Reed, will result in a net loss of $12,918,000, or $1.99 per share, for the year. For fiscal 1989, there was a net loss of $31,897,000, or $4.92 per share. The sale of Carroll Reed completes the divestiture plan announced last fall.

Bank debt has been reduced by $17,000,000 from year-end 1989 levels from a combination of proceeds from the sale of discontinued operations and cash flow from continuing operations. Charles M. Leighton, chairman and chief executive officer of CML, stated that the net loss would be recaptured in fiscal 1991 as a result of tax loss carryforwards.

Led by the three major operating divisions, Britches of Georgetowne, The Nature Co. and NordicTrack, the company reported sales in fiscal 1990 of $278,815,000, a 19 percent increase from the $234,598,000 recorded in fiscal 1989.

For fiscal 1991, the company is projecting income before the utilization of the tax loss carryforward, to increase in the range of 20-25 percent. Says Leighton, ''We have two objectives this year: to continue to further reduce our bank debt by approximately $20 million, and to substantially increase our earnings.

''While it is still very early in our new year to be making any firm predictions,'' he continues, ''we are pleased by our August and September sales levels, which are running 30 percent ahead of a year ago. Our own

internal projections call for sales increases in the range of 15-20 percent for the year.''

CML Group's high-quality products are sold under the tradenames Britches of Georgetown, The Nature Co. and NordicTrack.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Talley Industries Inc. (NYSE:TAL) announced Monday that it has entered into a definitive agreement to sell East-West Federal Savings Bank to Nuri Investments, a subsidiary of Nuri Investment Limited, a privately owned company.

The sale, which is subject to regulatory approval, is targeted to be finalized in the first half of 1991. The selling price is $40.1 million cash, which approximates the present book value, and will be subject to adjustment based on the bank's earnings prior to conclusion of the sale.

East-West Federal Savings Bank is a full-service savings bank based in San Marino, Calif. with 13 branch offices located in Los Angeles and Orange counties. The bank focuses on the traditional service of attracting deposits from the general public and originating mortgage loans secured by residential and other real property.

At Aug. 31, assets of the bank totaled $596.1 million.

Tally Industries is a diversified designer, manufacturer and supplier of aerospace, industrial and commercial products and services including high-reliability electronic components and stainless steel rod and bar products.

Tally also invests in and develops real estate, primarily in the Phoenix area and operates a federally chartered savings bank as an autonomous, wholly owned subsidiary, which specializes in serving the Asian population in the greater Los Angeles area.

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PERTH AMBOY, N.J. (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Bankers Corp. (NASDAQ:BKCO), announced Monday that its board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 11 cents per share on the company's common stock payable on Oct. 30 to the shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 15.

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LAGUNA HILLS, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Newport Pharmaceuticals International Inc. (NASDAQ:NWPH) announced Monday that it has reached a conditional settlement of the two interrelated shareholder class action lawsuits brought in 1986 against the company and certain officers and directors, only one of whom remains associated with the company.

Under the terms of the settlement, the company would make a cash payment of $1 million and issue shares of the company's common stock having a market value of between $1.75 million and $2.1 milliion.

In connection with the settlement, the court has not made and will not make any determination as to the liability of any defendant, and the company continues to deny any fault, wrongdoing or legal liability on its part in the circumstances cited in the lawsuits.

The terms of the settlement must be approved by the court and are expressly conditioned upon the receipt of the approval of 100 percent of the holders of the company's outstanding class of 10 percent senior secured convertible notes due 2002, as required under the terms of the indenture relating to such notes.

The terms of the indenture restrict the company's ability to settle the lawsuits for more than $2 million without noteholder approval.

The company will shortly be filing preliminary solicitation documents for the review and approval of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The solicitation of noteholders will commence after SEC approval is obtained.

The interrelated class action lawsuits had been brought on behalf of the class of persons who purchased the company's common stock during the period from May 15, 1985 to Feb. 21, 1986.

The suits alleged fraud and violations of securities laws, among other allegations, in connection with certain public statements made by the company in connection with its seeking FDA approval for its proprietary drug Isoprinosine.

Newport Pharmaceuticals is a diversified healthcare company with headquarters in Laguna Hills. The company is the parent company of America's Pharmacy Inc. a mail-service prescription-drug company with headquarters in Des Moines, Iowa.

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DOUGLASTON, NY (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of New York Bancorp Inc., the holding company for Home Federal Savings Bank, Ridgewood, N.Y., has announced the receipt of approval from the Office of Thrift Supervision to pay its first quarterly dividend of 25 cents per common share to holders of record at the close of business on Oct. 11, payable on Oct. 25.

Commenting on the declaration of New York Bancorp's first dividend, Martin D. Dehler, president and chief executive officer, stated, ''New York Bancorp's earnings at its third quarter ended June 30, 1990, represented the company's strongest performance since going public in 1988 at $6.00 per share. I am extremely pleased that the company is now in a position to further enhance shareholder value through the issuance of dividends to its shareholders.''

Home Federal Savings Bank conducts retail banking and lending activities through nine offices located in Queens, Nassau, Suffolk and Westchester counties.

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FEDERAL WAY, WA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Nuclear Systems Inc. announced Monday that its Nuclear Packaging Inc. subsidiary (NuPac) has delivered and Westinghouse Electric Corp. has accepted the first of 15 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (USNRC) certified TRUPACT-II packages to the Westinghouse Waste Isolation Division in Carlsbad, N.M.

The TRUPACT-II packages will be used to transport transuranic waste materials from the Department of Energy's (DOE) nuclear weapons facilities to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) in Carlsbad. NuPac is a contractor to Westinghouse which operates the WIPP for the DOE.

The delivery and acceptance by Westinghouse of the first TRUPACT-II package marks the culmination of a series of events which included several USNRC

inspections of the TRUPACT Assembly Facility (TAF) in Carlsbad, N.M., where NuPac fabricates the packages. The most recent USNRC inspection indicated that all discrepancies in the fabrication of the packages noted in earlier USNRC inspections had been satisfactorily resolved by NuPac. The remainder of the TRUPACT-II packages will be delivered to Westinghouse through mid-1991. According to David Dawson, vice president and general manager of Nuclear Packing, ''This first delivery is a significant milestone in a project which advances the state-of-the-art of USNRC-certified radioactive waste packages.''

Pacific Nuclear Systems Inc. and its subsidiary companies (Nutech Inc.; NuPac Services Inc.; Nuclear Packaging Inc.; PN Services Inc.; and Alaron Corp.) provide a wide range of services to the nuclear industry. The company, founded in 1983 and headquartered in Federal Way, is traded in the NASDAQ - National Market System under the symbol PACN.

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NASHUA, NH (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Ferrofluidics Corp. (OTC:FERO) has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission to extend the time period the company has in which to file its Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

According to Dr. Ronald Moskowitz, chief executive officer, ''The request for the extension was necessitated by the implementation of a complex worldwide restructuring plan which resulted in revising some of our agreements with our bank and also extended our normal audit period.

''It is not an unusual event for a company to request an extension from the S.E.C. in order to file a required form after the deadline period has passed. Our Form 10-K is currently in final review and I anticipate we will file it imminently.''

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ATLANTA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Dun & Bradstreet Software (D&B Software) announced Monday The Flex Resource, the first PC application to adminster flexible spending accounts that can by fully integrated with a comprehensive

human resource management system.

Flexible spending accounts permit employees to allocate before-tax dollars for use in paying the cost of day care and medical expenses not covered by insurance. The Flex Resource permits the efficient tracking of employee contributions and claims. Deductions and reimbursements are automatically set up in the payroll system, and employee statements and detailed audit reports can be printed as needed.

The Flex Resource is the latest package offered by D&B Software under The Human Resource (THR) product line, which is aimed at employers using personal computers for their human resource processing. Flex Resource can be used alone or easily integrated with the complete line of THR applications that includes payroll, personnel, profit sharing, pension and COBRA plans.

''The Flex Resource dramatically simplifies the administration of popular but often complicated flexible spending accounts and puts all the information at the human resource professional's fingertips,'' said Ken Sawyer, vice president and general manager of the THR business unit for D&B Software. ''Combined with our comprehensive line of human resources products, The Flex Resource is the first fully integrated PC solution for complete HR processing.''

The package provides ready access with any dBASE-compatible software, taking full advantage of a relational database system. In addition, its open-architecture offers easy access to virtually any word processor or spreadsheet.

The Human Resource products can be run on any IBM PC XT/AT, PS2 or compatible, and requires 640k RAM. A networking version is also available. The Flex Resource is available immediately starting at $10,000.

Dun & Bradstreet Software, a division of The Dun & Bradstreet Corp., is the world's largest provider of financial, human resource, materials management, manufacturing and higher education software solutions, tools and services. D&B Software was formed in 1990 by the merger of two software industry giants, Management Science America Inc. and McCormack & Dodge Corp. D&B Software serves more than 10,000 customers worldwide, including 75 percent of the Fortune 500.

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LONDON (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - 10/01-90--British Gas (NYSE:BRG) announced

Monday that the latest quarterly figures on European gas prices show that gas tariffs in Britain for domestic, and smaller industrial and commercial customers, are still among the cheapest. Only Dutch customers have prices which are comparable.

Weakening oil prices during the second quarter of 1990 closed the price gap a little between Britain and mainland Europe.

The last quarterly figures, which compare European gas prices at July 1, 1990, show that for around 700 therms a year - enough gas to run a central heating system in a small house - British Gas users pay about 48 pence a therm including the standing charge. The Dutch pay 49 pence, the West Germans 55 pence, the Belgians 58 pence, the French 62 pence and the Italians 86 pence.

At around 5,000 therms of gas per year, the price range across Europe is narrower. The British price is 43.5 pence per therm compared with 38.9 pence in Holland, 41.5 in France, 42.6 pence in Belgium, 47.8 pence in Italy and a range of between 36.3 pence and 65.6 pence in West Germany.

For customers who use more than 25,000 therms per year, gas prices in Britain are in the middle of the range of prices elsewhere in Europe.

Customers who use around 170,000 therms per year of firm gas pay 31.1 pence per therm in Britain. The prices in mainland Europe vary from the French range of 26.4 pence to 28.8 pence up to the West German range of between 27.4 pence to 47.4 pence. At around 3 million therms per year firm load, the price per therm in Britain is 26.5 pence. The European prices vary from 19.2 pence in Holland to a range of 23.2 pence to 32.8 pence in West Germany.

For organizations with medium or large gas loads on an interruptible supply contract, the price in Britain is 19.6 pence a therm compared with 15.6 pence in France, 17.4 pence in Belgium, 20.1 pence in Italy and 20.7 pence in West Germany. Interruptible supplies are not available in Holland.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers. British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore. Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to ten ordinary shares.

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LOS ALTOS, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The David and Lucile Packard Foundation Monday announced the grant of $2 million in science and engineering fellowships to 20 faculty members at various universities in the United States.

Each of the 20 fellowships provides funding of $100,000 per year for five years for research expenses such as scientific equipment, research supplies and scholarship support for graduate students.

This is the third grant in a fellowship program initiated in 1988 to support basic scientific research being conducted by talented young faculty members and encourage the recipients to continue productive university careers. To date, the foundation has awarded 60 fellowships and is providing $6 million annually in funding.

An additional 20 fellowships will be awarded each year for two more years. By 1992, the foundation will be supporting the research of 100 science and engineering faculty members at a cost of $10 million per year.

The fellowship program aims to encourage scientific research and the pursuit of careers in U.S. universities, according to David Packard, president of the foundation and co-founder and chairman of Hewlett-Packard Co.

''Many of the most important technological contributions of this century have come from university faculty members who began their research early in their careers and have worked in their areas of interest over long periods of time '' Packard said. ''We want to nurture this kind of research.

This year's fellows were nominated by the presidents of their universities and reviewed by a committee of nationally recognized scientists and engineers.

The David and Lucile Packard Foundation was founded in 1964 to support and encourage organizations dependent upon private funding and volunteer leadership. It supports programs primarily in the arts, community, education and health areas.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Resources Inc. (NASDAQ:IRIC)

announced Monday that it has closed the sale/leaseback of its headquarters complex and has received a favorable letter ruling from the Internal Revenue Service concerning the tax free nature of its proposed spin-off of VideOcart Inc., the Company's advertising and sales promotion division.

The company has filed a revised Information Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission concerning the spin-off and anticipates setting a record date in mid-October 1990.

VideOcart is a computerized display device which attaches to the handles of an ordinary shopping cart. VideOcart Inc., the development stage company being spun out to holders of IRIC stock on the record date, is engaged in expanding its testing in three supermarkets over the past year to fifty supermarkets involving 10 large grocery retailers during the next three quarters. Upon successful completion of
this phase in late 1991, VideOcart Inc. plans a multi-year expansion into a network of 5,000 large supermarkets in most large metropolitan areas.

In the sale/leaseback transaction, the company's headquarters complex was purchased by affiliates of W.P. Carey and Co. Inc., yielding net proceeds to the company of $29.1 million.

These proceeds will completely retire existing bank debt and increase the company's working capital. The company is also engaged in negotiations for a new bank credit line of approximately $20 million which,

together with the sale/leaseback proceeds, will provide flexibility and funding for future operations, including the previously announced expansion of INFOSCAN into drug stores and mass merchandiser outlets and funding for the spin-off of VideOcart.

VideOcart Inc. will be run by John Malec, chairman and CEO, Ron Spears, who, as of Feb. 1, 1991, will join VideOcart Inc. as president and chief operating officer.

Malec, founder of the company and chairman of its board of directors as well as inventor of VideOcart, has resigned his board position with the company effective immediately.

He will, however, remain as a consultant to the company for at least the next five years. Although the company had previously announced that Malec would remain on the company's board and executive committee while also heading VideOcart, the demands upon his time prove to effectively preclude such an arrangement.

Spears, until recently president, MCI Midwest, an operating division of MCI Telecommunications, will be engaged on a regular basis as a consultant by VideOcart Inc. between now and Feb. 1, 1991, and will be named to VideOcart

Inc.'s board of directors.

As a result of restrictions requested by the IRS precluding the sale of stock by Malec after the record date, he announced his current intent to sell up to 300,000 shares of the company's stock to fund pre-existing obligations.

Closing of the sale/leaseback transaction will give rise to a one-time, tax-related charge of approximately 8 cents per share in the third quarter, resulting from the accounting treatment of deferred taxes on the transaction, as required by Financial Accounting Standards -- 96. The company also announced that although it had previously established a reserve fo VideOcart's ''discontinued operations,'' a further charge to the reserve of approximately $1.0 million pre-tax (approximately 3 cents per share) will be incurred in the third quarter to reflect anticipated incremental expenses related to the proposed VideOcart spin-off taking place in late October, 1990.

Information Resources Inc. develops and maintains computerized proprietary data bases, decision support software and mathematical models to assist clients, primarily in the consumer packaged goods industry, in testing, monitoring and evaluating their marketing plans for new products, media advertising, pricing and sales promotions.

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MANSFIELD, MA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Codex Corp. Monday announced a Value-Added Reseller (VAR) agreement with Larse Corp. of Santa Clara, California.

Under terms of the agreement, Codex's Systems Division will market Larse TNDS CSUs and Split-T fractional T1 DSUs.

The Codex Systems Division will offer the product through custom bids as part of a complete networking solution. The TNDS DSU and Split-T Fractional T1 DSU will complement Codex's wide area and internetworking product offerings and allow Codex to develop customized networks for customers whose requirements include bundling data and voice applications on one T1 line.

The TNDS and Split-T products, along with the rest of the Larse product line, will be marketed through systems integration contracts. The Larse TNDS, a system of intelligent channel service units, offers full-time performance monitoring, alarm generation, remote diagnostic testing, and a detailed picture of network performance with rapid problem isolation.

The Larse Split-T DSU allows 56xn and 64xn Kbps data from multiple LAN bridges

CAD/CAM terminals, front-end processors, and other high-speed data terminals to be bundled into contiguous, alternate, or random DSO time slots. It also serves as an inexpensive and easy-to-use mini-multiplexer for companies that want to combine several data or voice applications onto a full T1 line worldwide.

The Codex Systems Division, formed in 1989, is chartered with providing networking solutions consisting of professional services and both Codex and non-Codex products.

Codex Corp., a subsidiary of Motorola Inc., is a leading supplier of network products and integrated network solutions. Offerings include network management systems, T1/E1 switches, X.25 networks, multiplexers, DSU/CSUs, modems, LAN internetworking devices, and professional services.

Headquartered in Santa Clara, Calif., Larse Corp. designs and manufactures telecommunications network equipment and systems. Larse is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Axel Johnson, Inc., a privately owned company.

Axel Johnson Inc., is part of the Axel Johnson Group, located in Stockholm, Sweden.

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BRYN MAWR, PA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - NewsNet, the world's largest current-awareness database of industry newsletters and newswires, and Dun & Bradstreet Business Credit Services, the leading marketer of commercial-credit and business information in the U.S., recently announced an agreement through which NewsNet will provide its customers with online access to D&B business-information through an intelligent gateway.

Three types of D&B business reports will be provided online via the NewsNet gateway: the Business Information Report, the Payment Analysis Report, and the Family Tree (R) Service.

The Business Information Report, the most widely accepted information tool for commercial credit and risk-management in the U.S., is available on millions of U.S. companies, and may contain data such as payment information, financial information, background and history on a company, business background of principals, public filings, and other relevant data.

The Payment Analysis Report provides an objective, third- party perspective of

a company's payment history and trends as reported to D&B. Payments are analyzed for up to a full two-year period for evaluation of trends. The Payment Analysis Report also includes information on how a company pays its creditors in comparison with other companies in the same industry.

Family Tree Service links divisions and branches of a company to their headquarters, and links subsidiaries to parent companies. This service allows users to view key information for an entire company in a single report.

The gateway between NewsNet and D&B is an ''intelligent'' gateway that allows users to take advantage of D&B's information using quick, easy-to-use NewsNet commands. The prompts in the gateway have been designed so that no prior experience with retrieving D&B information is necessary.

In the weeks prior to release, NewsNet conducted a beta test of the gateway among selected NewsNet subscribers. The result was overwhelmingly positive: the testers found the D&B/NewsNet interface intuitive and easy to use, even without documentation. Several testers remarked that access to D&B makes NewsNet even more valuable to them for business information purposes.

Dun & Bradstreet Business Credit Services is a division of the Dun & Bradstreet Corporation, the world's largest marketer of business information and related services with revenue of $4.3 billion in 1989.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Monday announced that it has begun shipping Lotus MarketPlace: Business, the first member of its new family of sales and marketing tools that help businesses find new customers.

Lotus MarketPlace: Business uses the Apple Macintosh personal computer and CD-ROM (compact-disc, read-only memory) to deliver a database of names, addresses, telephone numbers, and marketing data on 7 million U.S. businesses.

Using MarketPlace software, users navigate through this data to target customers, analyze markets, and create quality lists for business prospecting and direct marketing.

''MarketPlace is unique among desktop software applications because it delivers a hard return on investment to businesses by dramatically reducing

the cost, complexity, and time involved in finding new customers,'' said Frank Ingari, vice president of Lotus's Emerging Markets Business Group. ''It's the first new approach in years toward meeting a universal business challenge: identifying the best prospects for your products and services.''

''In particular, MarketPlace will give small to medium-sized businesses the direct marketing punch that's previously been available only to the largest marketers,'' said Ingari.

Lotus MarketPlace: Business has been enthusiastically received by early testers of the product, who range from market researchers to computer dealers to accountants and employment consultants.

''MarketPlace has already helped my business tremendously,'' said Greg Amstutz president of Career One USA, a Tempe, Arizona-based national recruitment firm that organizes regional job fairs. ''I earned $20,000 in new revenue from the first list I created for our telemarketers -- from people I didn't even know existed before. And, because I can create comprehensive lists of qualified prospects without leaving my desktop, I estimate it's given me several months lead time over my competitors.''

''We've found MarketPlace to be a quick, easy-to-use tool for better defining our potential customers and getting to them in a more efficient manner,'' said Carlton Collins, president of Collins & Collins C.P.A.s, an Atlanta accounting firm that offers professional services and software seminars to area businesses. ''With MarketPlace, we can quickly weed out unlikely candidates and market directly to pre-qualified customers, saving us hundreds in advertising dollars.''

Quality Data for Direct Marketing Applications

Lotus MarketPlace: Business incorporates data from Trinet, one of the fastest growing providers of business information in the U.S. and publisher of Contacts Influential Directories. Trinet invests millions of dollars annually in data collection and maintenance, including overseeing more than six million telephone calls to businesses each year to confirm listings. Trinet provides quarterly updates of its data to Lotus.

Users navigate through the data using an extraordinarily easy set of maps, bar charts, and other intuitive graphical interface tools. These tools allow users users to select from such choices as annual sales, number of employees, type of business by SIC code (a government classification system that groups establishments by their primary product or service), location (to the five-digit ZIP code level), and area code. A series of data options allows users to further customize their lists, for example, by selecting only those names that have had a recent change in address or verification of address or key contact.

Typical uses of the product include generating telemarketing or mailing lists, defining sales territories, analyzing the potential of a new product through a limited test mailing or sample offer, planning for expansion into a new geographic area, or identifying a market sample for conducting a telephone survey of businesses' product preferences.

Clark Security Products, a national distributor of door security products based in San Diego, Calif., is using MarketPlace to develop telemarketing lists of commercial and industrial prospects for access control and other high-security products, based on company location, number of employees, and type of business.

Wedgmere Associates, a two-year old company in Winchester, Mass., that offers hospitals an alternative to employment agencies and traditional newspaper advertising for employment sourcing problems, used MarketPlace to quickly generate a national list of hospitals to receive notification of the company's recent name change.

CCH Computax Inc., of Torrance, Calif., a leading national supplier of services, software and continuing education seminars for professional tax preparers, is using MarketPlace to identify geographic distributions of accountants and bookkeepers in order to optimize the company's sales and training opportunities in cities across the country.

MarketPlace allows users to identify and purchase from the database only those names that meet their criteria. Users have unlimited flexibility to view all seven million names, as well as redefine and further customize the data before actually ''buying'' lists. Once satisfied with a list's characteristics, the user ''buys'' the list by clicking an icon on the computer screen.

An innovative software meter, similar to a postage meter, is automatically installed on the hard disk when the user installs MarketPlace. The meter maintains a count of the number of individual names purchased. MarketPlace comes with the user's choice of an initial 5,000 names from the master database, with more names available for an additional charge.

Once the lists are purchased, users can reuse them as often as they want for personal use, an advantage over traditional rented mailing lists. Users can also output lists and analysis reports to any software package supported on the Macintosh, including lead-tracking software, relational database software, mapping software, label printers, spreadsheets, or word processing packages. Information can also be exported to IBM-compatible software programs through an Apple Superdrive or other data-transport method.

MarketPlace includes demonstration versions of three compatible software products: GeoQuery, intelligent mapping software; C A T, contact management software; and MacEnvelope Plus, a customized envelope and label printing package.

MarketPlace also incorporates a number of standard report formats, including individual customer/prospect records, a prospect-tracking report, contact forms, and a telemarketing listing for businesses, as well as the ability to develop customized reports. MarketPlace is compatible with a variety of standard label formats, and supports multiple fonts for laser printers.

Pricing, Availability, and Distribution

Lotus MarketPlace: Business is available through Lotus-authorized dealers at a suggested retail price of $695, which includes the software, sample data, a data order form, documentation, and the purchase of the first 5,000 names of choice from the compact disc. After returning the signed data order form to Lotus, the user is sent the most current data disc by overnight courier, ensuring timely receipt of the most up-to-date information available.

MarketPlace data will be updated quarterly. Users have the option to convert to an annual subscription with four additional quarterly updates ($150 annually) or to replenish the meter with more names for use with the current disc ($400 for 5,000 additional names).

System requirements for MarketPlace include an Apple Macintosh computer with a hard drive; 4 MB of RAM; Hypercard; and an AppleCD SC drive or 100 percent compatible.

The MarketPlace product line also includes Lotus MarketPlace: Households, a suite of 11 databases covering demographic and lifestyle data on 120 million consumers in 80 million U.S. households. The data is supplied by Equifax Marketing Decision Systems, one of the nation's leading providers of consumer-based marketing information. Lotus MarketPlace: Households will be available beginning in early 1991.

Lotus Development Corp. is the leading developer of applications software for personal computers and information services delivered on compact disc, and a worldwide supplier of applications software for

workstation, minicomputer, and mainframe computing environments.

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WEST BEND, WIS. (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Gehl Co., a leading niche capital goods manufacturer of agricultural and light industrial/construction equipment distributed worldwide, has finalized the purchase of 25 acres of land in Lebanon, Pa., and secured financing for a new agricultural equipment manufacturing facility.

The company expects to break ground for the facility mid-November, pending the issuance of a variety of permits, and complete the project in the spring of 1991. The proposed facility would contain approximately 170,000 square feet, compared to the 15,000 square-foot facility it currently leases in Myerstown, Pa. Gehl Co. anticipates that the new plant will generate at least 140 new jobs in addition to retaining the Myerstown workforce of 50 people.

The project will be financed with $8.4 million in private placement industrial development bonds issued by the Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority and underwritten by Blunt Ellis & Loewi. The bonds have a 9 percent interest rate and a final maturity of 20 years with repayments commencing in the year 2005.

It will also incorporate other concepts that are part of Gehl Co.'s strategy to produce globally competitive, quality products to meet customers' needs. These concepts include the multiple skill development of people, cellular manufacturing (where one or more workers perform a variety of tasks at a work center that contains several machines), and employee accountability for quality.

Gehl Co. (NASDAQ:GEHL) produces a broad line of niche capital goods equipment used worldwide in the agricultural and light industrial and construction industries. Founded in 1859, the company is headquartered in West Bend, with manufacturing facilities in West Bend; Yankton and Madison, S.D.; and Myerstown, Pa.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Inspiration Resources Corp. (ticker symbol:IRC) Monday announced it has purchased Concrete, Inc. and El Rancho Rock & Sand Inc. (''El Rancho'') two affiliated, privately held companies based in Stockton, Calif. for an undisclosed price.

Revenues for both operations totaled about $9.0 million in 1989.

Concrete Inc. is a major supplier of ready-mix concrete to commercial, industrial and residential projects in San Joaquin County, one of the fastest

growing counties in the United States. El Rancho provides most of Concrete's sand and gravel and supplies local construction companies with road base materials from its 480-acre quarry.

IRC Chairman Reuben F. Richards said the addition of the two companies ''will provide IRC with another anchor position in construction materials to supplement our initial acquisition of two affiliated companies in Oregon earlier this year.''

He added that IRC plans to make additional acquisitions of construction materials producers that are based in the western United States and currently hold strong market positions.

Inspiration Resources Corp., which had 1989 revenues of $1.4 billion, is a diversified natural resources company that provides products and services for agriculture, mines base and precious metals and coal, produces construction materials, and leases equipment.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) has awarded Brush Wellman Inc. (NYSE:BW) a $26 million contract for 91,000 pounds of vacuum hot pressed beryllium billets to be delivered to the Strategic Materials Stockpile over the next two years.

The billets will be produced from a portion of the beryl ore which is currently in the DLA stockpile. Brush Wellman will refine this ore at their Delta, Utah extraction plant. Metallurgical processing and billet fabrication and testing will be carried out at Brush Wellman's beryllium plant at Elmore, Ohio.

U.S. Representative Paul Gillmor (R-Ohio) stated, ''This contract is an important part of our country's national defense. By upgrading a portion of the beryl ore currently in stockpile to a more readily available form of metallic beryllium, we will shorten the response time and reduce the risk of supply interruptions of this strategic material in the event of a national emergency.''

Brush Wellman will begin to supply material through this contract by early 1991. Shipments are scheduled to continue through 1992. The contract allows the option for an additional 43,000 pounds of beryllium to be supplied in 1993 for approximately $13 million.

Brush Wellman Inc., with headquarters in Cleveland, is a manufacturer of engineered materials. The company and its subsidiaries supply worldwide markets with beryllium, beryllium alloys, beryllia ceramic, precious metal products, and specialty metal systems.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Enzo Biochem Inc. (AMEX: ENZ) Monday announced that it had been awarded a grant from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases to study the acute infection process of the virus causing AIDS, the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), and to develop a genetic way to disrupt this process.

Under this Phase I Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) grand Enzo scientists will try to inhibit the acute HIV infection in lymphoid cells by inserting genes to produce antisense nucleic acid repressors against the virus. Antisense nucleic acids exactly complement and bind to target nucleic acids, repressing their function.

Scientists and Enzo Therapeutics Inc., a wholly owned Enzo subsidiary, will conduct this research. Enzo Therapeutics was formed to explore therapeutic applications of Enzo's nucleic acid and antisense technologies. The company has an exclusive license to antisense genetic technology developed by Dr. Masayori Inouye at the State University of New York.

Dr. Christine Brakel, director of research and development for Enzo Therapeutics explained, ''This is a very preliminary step toward the development of a gene therapy for AIDS. Effective HIV antisense genes introduced into blood stem cells of AIDS patients might control the infection and allow for the regeneration of healthy immune cells in the patient. Key to this work is the use of a highly sensitive test for HIV developed by Enzo Diagnostics. This test will help Enzo Therapeutics' researchers pinpoint the action of HIV nucleic acids in human cells during various stages of HIV infection.''

Enzo Biochem Inc. is an established New York City-based biotechnology company engaged both in the research, development and manufacture of innovative health care products based on molecular biology and genetic engineering techniques and in providing diagnostic services to the medical community.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Borden Inc. Monday announced that its board of directors has elected Judy Barker as Vice President, Social Responsibility, effective October 1.

Barker, who previously served as director of corporate social responsibility on the company's public affairs staff, will now report directly to R. J. Ventres, chairman and chief executive officer, and becomes a member of the company's Core Management Group. She is based in Columbus, Ohio.

Barker joined Borden's Public Affairs Department in Columbus in 1972 and became Executive Director of the Borden Foundation in 1974. In 1979, she was named Director of Corporate Social Responsibility. In 1983, while continuing her social responsibility duties, she was promoted to President of the Borden Foundation, with full responsibility for the company's worldwide contributions and community outreach programs.

Barker has won national recognition in the field of corporate philanthropy and has received many awards, including an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Xavier University, Cincinnati; the National Community Service Award of the United Negro College Fund; and the Woman Achievers Award of the YWCA of New York.

She was the first woman to chair the Contributions Council of The Conference Board and the Board of Directors of the Council of Better Business Bureaus' Foundation. Barker also has served on the boards of major national philanthropic organizations including the Independent Sector, the Council on Foundations and Public/Private Ventures.

Borden Inc. is a worldwide producer of foods, non-food consumer products, and packaging and industrial products, with worldwide sales of $7.6 billion in 1989. The company ranks number one in the world in pasta, wallcoverings, forest products adhesives and vinyl foodwrap films; number one in U.S. dairy; number two in salty snacks in North America; and number one or two, nationally or regionally, in 26 U.S. niche grocery product categories.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Duratek Corp. (NASDAQ:DRTK), a subsidiary of National Patent Development Corp. (ASE, PSE:NPD) has been awarded a contract extension by Westinghouse Materials Co. of Ohio (WMCO) for the operation of a demonstration unit for advanced wastewater treatment technologies at the Feed Materials Production Center (FMPC) at Fernald, Ohio.

FMPC, a Department of Energy facility, formerly processed uranium and produced uranium metals for defense purposes.

The 10gpm demonstration unit will be located onsite at FMPC and will perform chemical treatment, filtration, ion exchange and reverse osmosis processes on FMPC wastewaters. The treatment process separates the radioactive and hazardous contaminants. It also reduces the volume of radioactive and hazardous wastes that must be disposed of, thus minimizing overall disposal costs.

Duratek recently completed the first phase of this project, which included bench-scale evaluations of Durasil (Duratek's proprietary ion-specific media), non-proprietary ion exchange media and various waste treatment technologies (both proprietary and non-proprietary) for the treatment of FMPC waste streams.

The major emphases was on ion exchange and reverse osmosis. Duratek successfully removed radionuclides and chromium from the waste waters and reduced the total dissolved solids. Duratek interpreted the data and made recommendations to WMCO as to the optimum treatment methods. The demonstration unit was designed on the basis of those recommendations.

Duratek provides analytical testing and consulting in the areas of nuclear waste management and process optimization to Department of Energy facilities.

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Koger Equity Inc. (AMEX:KE) announced occupancy levels of 96 percent in its portfolio of buildings, producing annualized rents of approximately $34 million.

The company further announced that during this quarter, Koger Equity will attain equity REIT classification with over 75 percent of its assets invested in property. This is considered the highest classification of Real Estate Investment Trusts.

Recognizing the slowing of the economy and the special problems of the real

estate and financial world, the board of directors declared a dividend of $.325 per share, payable Dec. 28, to shareholders of record Nov. 30.

There has been no decline in the cash flow of Koger Equity. This is a reduction in the payout. The previously declared dividend of 45 cents per share will be paid Oct. 23.

Undistributed cash flow will be used by the company for improvements to buildings, debt reduction, and repurchase of shares. The board believes such internal financing will add to growth and profitability.

In other action, the board of directors of Koger Equity Monday approved a Shareholder Rights Plan to protect the shareholders in the event of a takeover.

The company announced that it does not know of any present efforts to acquire control, but there has been recent pressure from large trading volume.

Under the terms of the Plan (details of which are being filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission), the rights which are to be distributed to shareholders of record on Oct. 11, trade together with Koger Equity common stock and are not exercisable until the happening of certain events, including acquisition of, or commencement of a tender offer for, 15 percent or more of the company's common stock.

In such event, each right entitles its holder (other than the acquiring person or bidder) to acquire additional shares of Koger Equity common stock at a 50 percent discount from the market price. The rights are redeemable under circumstances as specified in the Plan.

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Ira Koger, chairman, Monday announced that Koger Properties (NYSE:KOG) has increased occupancy of total properties owned and managed to 93 percent as of Sept. 30, up from 90 percent March 31.

Koger said annualized gross rents would stand at $140 million for the system by year end and that current leasing activity is setting records. Net gains in leased space for the six months ended Sept. 30 were 600,000 square feet, and average effective rents were rising.

Koger Properties will pay on Oct. 23 a 70 cents dividend, previously declared. The board declared a 25 cents quarterly dividend payable Jan. 22, 1991, to shareholders of record at Dec. 28, 1990. There has been no decline in the

cash flow of Koger Properties.

This is a reduction in the payout. Undistributed cash flow will be directed into internal financing, debt reduction, and the repurchase of the company's shares under a previously approved plan. The new 25 cents dividend will be 100 percent free of current tax as return of capital.

The company believes this action will strengthen the balance sheet and support new growth in the value of the company.

In additional action, the board directed management to immediately take necessary steps to implement an Employees Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) for Koger Properties. Management believes such a plan would contribute to stability and furnish substantial incentives to personnel.

Finally, the board of Koger Properties approved a Shareholder Rights Plan to defend against any takeover action.

The company does not know at this time of any planned offer, tender, or takeover, but the Plan will provide for protection of shareholders in the event of an attempted acquisition of Koger Properties on terms that would deny shareholders the full value of their investment.

Under the terms of the Plan (details of which are being filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission), the rights which are to be distributed to shareholders of record on Oct. 11, trade together with Koger Properties common stock and are not exercisable until the happening of certain events, including acquisition of, or commencement of a tender offer for, 15 percent or more of the company's common stock.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Olin Corp.'s board of directors has elected Robert L. Yohe and Donald W. Griffin as directors of the corporation.

Both are executive vice presidents of Olin Corp. Olin now has a total of 15 directors.

Yohe, 54 years old, serves as president of Olin's Chemical Group and is also responsible for the company's electronic materials businesses.

Griffin, 53 years old, serves as president of Olin's Defense Systems Group and is also responsible for the Brass Group and International Operations.

After joining Olin in 1961, Griffin served in a variety of sales and marketing positions in the Brass Group. Before his appointment as president of the Brass Group in 1983, he served as vice president for marketing, director of international business development, and director of field sales for Brass.

Griffin was elected a corporate vice president in 1983 and in 1985 was appointed president of the Winchester Group. A year later, he was appointed president of the Defense Systems Group, comprised of three divisions: Winchester, Aerospace and Ordnance. He was elected an executive vice president of Olin on Oct. 29, 1987.

Yohe was elected a corporate vice president of Olin Corp. and president of the Chemicals Group in April, 1985. He was elected an executive vice president of Olin on Oct. 29, 1987.

He joined Olin in 1983 as vice president of mergers and acquisitions after holding executive management positions with Uniroyal Inc., and Hooker Chemical. He was general manager of the Chemicals and Polymer Division of Uniroyal from 1981 to 1983.

Yohe was born in New York City on May 11, 1936, and holds a B.S. degree in chemical engineering from Lafayette College and an MBA from Harvard Business School.

He was in the U.S. Navy, serving on destoyers and achieving the rank of Lieutenant. He is currently vice chairman of the Chlorine Institute, which is the safety, health and environmental stewardship center of the chlor-alkali industry. He also serves on the executive committee of the Southwestern Area Commerce and Industry Association of Connecticut.

Griffin was born in Evansville, Ind., On March 1, 1937. He holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Evansville and he completed the Graduate School for Sales and Marketing Managers at Syracuse University, Syracuse, N.Y.

Griffin is a C.E.O. member of the Illinois Business Roundtable and is on the board of trustees of the National Security Industrial Association. He also serves as a director of the Sporting Arms and Ammunition Manufacturers Institute, the Wildlife Management Institute, the National Shooting Sports Foundation, and the Illinois State Bank, He is a member of the American Socity of Metals, the Association of the U.S. Army and the American Defense Preparedness Association.

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NEW CANAAN, CT (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Smith Corona Corp. (NYSE:SCO) announced Monday that the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in Washington, D.C. had affirmed a trial court decision which finds that Japanese portable typewriters with text memories are covered by an existing antidumping order.

''We have been waiting for more than four years for recognition of the self-evident fact that addition of a memory chip or calculator to a portable typewriter doesn't change the machine from being portable,'' said G. Lee Thompson, chairman and CEO of Smith Corona.

''We are confident that, at last, our government will start to administer the antidumping law correctly to prevent further serious harm to our employees in our Cortland, New York facility and to our shareholders,'' he added.

''Our Japanese competitors have been given a four year free ride that they weren't entitled to under the law. Four years is far too long,'' Thompson continued. ''Our government must start to expeditiously examine the extent to which the very aggressive pricing practices of our Japanese competitors are unfair under the law and neutralize such practices.''

''We remain strongly confident that our company and other American manufacturers can successfully compete under conditions of fair competition with any other company in the world. Smith Corona has suffered substantial damage and experienced layoffs at its Cortland facility in the past year. I urge the United States to act promptly to determine the facts on imports now clearly identified as covered by the order,'' Thompson concluded.

Smith Corona, based in New Canaan, is the world's largest manufacturer of portable electronic typewriters and personal word processors. The company also markets office supplies, forms and customized printed products. Smith Corona will market personal computers in early 1991.

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DALLAS (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - SRX, the Dallas-based company which designs and manufactures premium telecommunications switching equipment and peripherals, Monday announced that Texas Instruments Inc. has been selected to provide turnkey manufacturing for all SRX products.

To date, T.I. had been responsible only for the production of SRX high-volume

boards. The announcement was made by Jim Steenbergen, SRX president and CEO.

''After careful review of all qualified candidates, we have chosen Texas Instruments as our turnkey manufacturer,'' Steenbergen said. ''T.I. will now produce all of our equipment to SRX specifications, including the new VisionPhone, which was released in

May 1990.'' According to Steenbergen, turnkey manufacturing offers strategic advantages for privately-held SRX.

''Regular, rapid shipments of high-volume product will allow us to realize a significant reduction in carrying costs and inventory levels. This improved cash flow, along with reduced overhead expense and increased inventory savings enables us to focus our resources on engineering development and product support,'' explained Steenbergen.

As a result of continuing high-quality emphasis, SRX out-of-box failures are reported at an industry-leading 0.1 percent to 0.2 percent; mean time between failure for system outage averages 11.1 years. In their search for a turnkey manaufacturer, SRX officials sought a company with a strong track record, telecommunications experience and, most importantly, a commitment to upholding SRX standards of quality.

''Texas Instruments corporate philosophy closely mirrors our own, and we were impressed by that,'' Steenbergen continued. ''We look forward to a mutually prosperous relationship.''

Founded in 1983, SRX provides premium telecommunications switching equipment including patented voice and data switching technology to end users worldwide.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - James Mongiello, 48, has been promoted to president of Larse Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Axel Johnson Inc.

Mongiello joined Larse in 1985 as vice president of sales, after working for General Datacom, Timeplex, and Doelz Networks. He was promoted to vice president of sales and marketing in 1988 and to executive vice president earlier this year. Mongiello has been instrumental in establishing Larse as a leader in intelligent high speed data communications products.

Mongiello succeeds Melvin E. Perkins, a former AT&T executive who joined Larse in 1988 with the express assignment of expanding the company and grooming a successor.

Perkins will continue as chief executive officer until his planned retirement in December, according to Paul E. Graf, president of Axel Johnson. ''We are deeply indebted to Mel Perkins for his dedication and hard work at Larse,'' said Graf. ''He has fully succeeded in every aspect of his assignment.''

Larse, headquartered in Santa Clara, Calif., designs and manufactures telecommunications network equipment and systems.

Axel Johnson, headquartered in New York, is a privately held company which operates businesses focused on the telecommunications, environmental, metals, industrial, and energy and materials handling markets. With plants and offices throughout the United States and Canada, Axel Johnson had revenues of more than $700 million in 1989.

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LAS VEGAS, NE (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - GWB Technology and NCR Corp. (NYSE:NCR) announced an alliance to market Anthem, the first in-house data processing system to run on a microcomputer-based local area network.

The alliance was announced here Monday at the Microbanker Expo trade show.

The market potential for the GWB Technology and NCR marketing alliance is estimated at approximately $40.6 million over the next three years, according to NCR.

Under the terms of the joint agreement, GWB Technology will market the Anthem banking system utilizing the NCR System 3000 computers and WaveLAN wireless local area network marketed by NCR under a cooperative marketing arrangement as the platform and delivery system.

The NCR System 3000 is a broad range of fully compatible, scalable, general-purpose computer systems spanning a power range from 7.5 MIPS to more than 100,000 MIPS. WaveLAN, a high-speed, wireless local area network interface card, eliminates the need for wiring to connect personal computers.

GWB Technology will focus on software development, customer support and installation of its Anthem system. The fully integrated Anthem package supports all areas of bank accounting including demand accounts, savings and time deposits, loans, a fully integrated general ledger, a customer

information file and executive reporting; and is designed to run on a microprocessor-based local area network.

NCR, in turn, is able to immediately provide potential users with a data processing system sophisticated enough to take full advantage of their new parallel processing platforms.

The Anthem system implemented on the NCR hardware will allow community banks currently utilizing service bureaus to move all data processing operations in-house, cutting DP costs, improving service quality and advancing product flexibility to new levels.

Institutions currently running minicomputer systems will find this alternative extremely attractive as it lowers maintenance costs and improves performance. Many of these institutions will be able to cost justify the implementation of this new concept in one or two years.

NCR, based in Dayton, Ohio, develops, manufactures, markets, installs and services business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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BENTONVILLE, ARK. (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Wal-Mart Stores Inc. (NYSE PSE:WMT) Monday announced that it has reached an agreement in principle for the acquisition of McLane Company Inc.

Shareholders of McLane Company Inc. will be offered the option of receiving cash or shares of Wal-Mart Stores Inc. common stock.

At Sept. 30 Wal-Mart Stores Inc. had 1,470 Wal-Mart stores (including five Supercenter stores), 136 Sam's Clubs and four Hypermart USA units.

McLane Company Inc. is a recognized leader in the specialized distribution industry, serving more than 26,000 stores throughout the United States. McLane supplies its retail customers with grocery and non-grocery products, including perishable, non-perishable and general merchandise items.

McLane employs approximately 4,300 employees in its 14 distribution centers located in 11 states. McLane had total net sales of over $2.6 billion for the year ended Jan. 26, 1990.

David Glass, president and chief executive officer of Wal-Mart, stated: ''The acquisition of McLane Company will provide a solid specialized distribution network complimenting our existing capacities, as well as offer many opportunities for growth. McLane Company will operate autonomously as a subsidiary of Wal-Mart.''

Drayton McLane Jr., president and chief executive officer of McLane Company, stated, ''This merger with Wal-Mart represents a tremendous opportunity for the shareholders and employees of McLane Company and will permit McLane Company to continue its long-term strategy of growth in the grocery and retail distribution industry.''

Mr. McLane will remain president and chief executive officer of McLane and will be named a vice chairman of Wal-Mart as well as join its board of directors.

The transaction is subject to the negotiation and execution of a definitive agreement between the parties and the approval of McLane's shareholders and certain regulatory agencies.

Wal-Mart operates in a 32-state area and its securities are listed on the New York and Pacific stock exchanges.

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BLUE BELL, PA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. Monday announced a formal comprehensive software architecture that will enable integration of both Unisys systems and those of other vendors--from PCs and workstations to mainframes--into the transparent information networks that are expected to dominate enterprise computing by the mid-1990s.

The company also introduced a series of architecture-compliant hardware and software products and several strategic product partnerships. They expand a base of more than 150 products currently in use that form the basis for the architecture. Unisys said it will introduce a steady stream of products this year and next as part of the architecture initiative that will allow users to build what Unisys calls an Integrated Information Environment.

James A. Unruh, Unisys president and CEO, said at a New York press conference Monday that the architecture and Integrated Information Environment program ''is not a new strategy but rather the most important milestone in a strategy put in place following the 1986 merger of Sperry and Burroughs. It uses open standards to bring together a range of diverse products.

''Elements of this architectural blueprint have already been proven in day-to-day operation at customer sites worldwide. The formal release of architecture specifications means we can significantly accelerate creation of the Unisys way of computing for the 1990s.''

Unruh said the Unisys software architecture strategy to make useful information readily available to the user, no matter where it is or on what equipment, is ''significantly differentiated'' from directions announced by other vendors.

''An important benefit to Unisys of the architecture, Unruh said, is that ''it provides a common superstructure that sits on top of our hardware platforms, bringing greater commonality to our open and proprietary product lines.

''It also puts us in the marketplace mainstream in that we are better positioned to offer non-Unisys users a total solutions package that they know will be fully interoperable with their existing computing environment.''

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LUBBOCK, TX (OCT 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Furr's/Bishop's Cafeterias L.P. (NYSE:CAF) announced Monday that a purported class action lawsuit had been filed in the Delaware Court of Chancery against Cavalcade & Co. Inc. and Michael J. Levenson, the managing general partner, and the special general partner, respectively, of Furr's/Bishop's in connection with Furr's/Bishop's proposal to convert to corporate form by merging with a subsidiary of a new corporate holding company.

The plaintiffs allege, among other things, that the General Partners of Furr's/Bishop's have breached their fiduciary duties by proposing the merger at terms which the plaintiffs consider unfair to public holders of Furr's/Bishop's Preference Units.

The lawsuit seeks, among other things, to enjoin the consummation of the merger and damages including attorneys' fees and expenses.

Furr's/Bishop's believes that the plaintiffs' claims are without merit and the general partners intend to defend vigorously against the action.

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DELRAY BEACH, FL (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Effective Oct. 1, Hygolet Brill Inc., a Florida corporation, was merged with and into Teal Venture Corp., a Nevada corporation.

In connection with the merger, Teal Venture Corp. (as the surviving corporation) changed its name to Brill Hygienic Products Inc. to better reflect the expanded nature of the company's business. In this regard, the company has recently begun marketing Fort Howard toilet paper and ancillary bathroom products such as paper towels and soaps.

These products are in addition and complement the existing patented Hygolet toilet seat marketed and distributed by the company. In connection with this merger, Brill Hygienic Products Inc. effected a 30 for 1 reverse stock split which reduced the total number of authorized shares of common stock from 100 million to 3,233,333.

Pursuant to the terms of the merger, shareholders of Hygolet shall be distributed pro rata, 3 million shares of Brill Hygienic Products Inc., and will own in the aggregate approximately 90 percent of the issued and outstanding stock of Brill Hygienic Products Inc. as the surviving corporation.

Due to the addition of the ancillary bathroom hygienic products offered by the company, the company anticipates that it will be able to increase its revenues from operations.

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EAST HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - In a massive deal involving America West Airlines, Airbus Industrie, International Aero Engines, Guinness Peat Aviation and Kawasaki Enterprises, the Phoenix based airline announced an order for 118 A320 airliners, all to be powered by the IAE V2500 turbofan.

The America West order covers 74 aircraft on firm order and a further 44 being taken as options. The deal takes advantage of 26 previously announced A320s already available from GPA, enabling America West to commence its A320 operation early in 1991.

The V2500 engines to power the aircraft and the necessary spare engines are worth in excess of $1 billion in new business to the IAE consortium.

Don Monteath, senior V.P. Operations at America West, said, ''The V2500 engines offer all the things than an airline of the 1990s expects from an engine-low fuelburn, excellent reliability and low cost of operation.

''But in addition, the V2500 is the cleanest and quietest engine in its class. These environmental factors, particularly noise, are already important in the areas in which America West operates and we expect them to become more so as we move toward the year 2000.''

Nick Tomassetti, president and CEO of International Aero Engines, commented, ''We are obviously very pleased to announce this order and to be a part of the dynamic expansion plans of America West's future.

''Over six years ago we promised airlines that the V2500 engine would be the natural choice for the 110-180 seat market, and the America West decision goes to prove that we kept our promise.

''In the competitive A320/A321 engine market our engine has won two thirds of the business since the beginning of 1989, the year we entered service. America West is IAE's 20th customer, bringing the total V2500 orderbook to over 1600 engines to power 648 aircraft, worth well over $7.5 billion.

In addition to the A320, the V2500 is also available on the A321 and MD-90 family of aircraft.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Federated Bank, S.S.B. (OTC:FEDF) declared its 15th consecutive quarterly dividend.

The dividend of 9.0 cents per share is payable on Nov. 12 to shareholders of record on Oct. 22.

Federated Bank has consistently paid dividends since it became a publicly held savings bank in February of 1987. The current payment represents an annualized yield of 6 percent based upon the current average price of $6 per share.

Federated Bank is a publicly held Wisconsin savings bank headquartered in Wauwatosa, a suburb of Milwaukee. As previously announced, Hopkins Savings and Loan merged with Federated Bank on Aug. 1. Federated Bank now has 16 branch offices throughout southeastern Wisconsin, and assets of approximately $470 million.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas O. Ryder, president of American Express Publishing Corp., Monday announced the appointment of Ron B. Prince as Group Publisher, City Magazine.

American Express publishes four city magazines, New York Woman, L.A. Style, D. Magazine (in Dallas) and Atlanta.

In a related move, Ryder announced the formation of City Magazine Network, an advertising sales representation group that will handle national accounts for American Express Publishing's city magazines. Ryder said City Magazine Network ultimately will represent publications not owned by American Express.

Ryder said, ''Our successes at American Express Publishing have been built upon highly defined marketing plans and imaginative implementation of those plans. No individual has been more instrumental to that planning process at American Express Publishing than Ron Prince. His brand of directional leadership will help us achieve a competitive distiction for our city magazines.''

Prince, 33, has been director of marketing for American Express Publishing Corp. He joined American Express Publishing in 1984 as promotion manager of Food & Wine Magazine. He was named marketing director in 1986 and associate publisher in 1988. Later that year, he was appointed vice president, corporate advertising/marketing. Prince is credited with establishing the company's group advertising program, GAINPlan. He also initiated the marketing plan for the relaunch of Departures, the magazine for American Express Platinum Card members. Prince is a transplanted Washingtonian who holds a B.A. in English from the University of Maryland.

Prince said, ''It's particularly exciting to focus fully on four magazines that succeed by being as vital, exuberant and distinct as the markets they serve. For advertisers, these are retail-focused magazines. They are unsurpassed in their ability to reach affluent readers who live in driving distance of key retailers in key markets. That's a powerful notion, and we're making it even more attractive with coordinated representation, through our new City Magazine network, and with a network discount.''

The new City Magazine Network rep group will open offices on Nov. 1, in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Detroit, Atlanta and Dallas. It will be staffed by sales professionals who previously sold to national advertisers for New York Women or L.A. Style alone. Local staffs at each title will be unaffected by this move.

American Express Publishing Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of American

Express Travel Related Services Co. Inc, publishes Travel & Leisure, Food & Wine, Departures, New York Woman, L.A. Style, Atlanta, D, Your company, and Connections Magazines.

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NORWOOD, MA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Telco Systems Inc. (TELC-OTC National Market) announced Monday the appointment of David J. McClure, as senior vice president and general manager of its Network Access Products Division located in Fremont, Calif.

He replaces Raymond C. Lin who resigned to pursue personal interests. McClure will report to Paul D. Lazay, president and chief executive officer of Telco Systems Inc., in Norwood, Mass.

McClure was senior vice president of DSC Communications Corp. in Santa Clara, Calif., and executive vice president of Granger Associates. He served as vice president and general manager of the Transmission Systems Division of Avantek Inc. from 1980 to 1987. Most recently, he was vice president of operations at Hally Systems Inc., in San Jose, Calif.

McClure received B.S. and M.S. degrees in Electrical Engineering and holds an M.B.A. from the University of California, Irvine.

Telco Systems Inc., based in Norwood, Mass., designs and manufactures high-speed digital fiber optic transmission terminals, digital multiplexing equipment for telephone and other applications, and access multiplexers for the customer premise T1 market.

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PISCATAWAY, NJ (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Unitronix Corp. (NASDAQ:UTRX) Monday announced financial results for the company's fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Consolidated revenues from continuing operations for fiscal 1990 were $11,203,000, an increase of 3.7 percent over revenues of $10.8 million for fiscal 1989.

The company's consolidated net loss from continuing operations was $239,000, or 11 cents per share, compared to a loss from continuing operations of

$102,000, or 4 cents per share for the same period a year ago. There were 13 percent fewer shares outstanding in the fiscal 1990 period.

The company reported an additional loss from discontinued operations of $397,000, or 19 cents per share from the computer distribution segment, which became a discontinued business on May 15, 1990, and for which an additional year end reserve was provided in the amount of $846,000, or 40 cents per share.

The total loss for the year amounted to $1,482,000, or 70 cents per share, as compared to a loss of $118,000, or 5 cents per share for the fiscal 1989 period.

The company also stated that its president and chief executive officer, Frank Zimmer, left his position effective Sept. 24, 1990, and that he is succeeded by David Lilly. Lilly was formerly a senior vice president, responsible for sales, marketing and development of Unitronix' turnkey systems operation. Zimmer will continue to assist the company in affecting an orderly transition and remain as chairman of the board of directors.

In making the announcement, Zimmer, 50, said that he had attained the goals he set since founding the company in 1975 adding, ''With the divestiture of the computer distribution business nearly complete, Unitronix is now focused as a computer software company and is poised for greater growth. David Lilly has been with the PRAXA product since the early development years before Unitronix acquired the rights to PRAXA in 1986. He has been instrumental in bringing the product to its current level of sophistication, and growing the installed base to approximately 250 customers at over 450 sites, both in the U.S. and Europe.''

Unitronix is a provider of turnkey systems utilizing PRAXA, a proprietary manufacturing planning and control systems (MRP II) that runs exclusively on Digital Equipment Corp.'s line of VAX/VMS computers.

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EAST HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - TRC Cos. Inc. (AMEX:TRR) announced Monday that it completed the sale of certain operating assets of its wholly owned laboratory subsidiary, metaTRACE Inc. to International Technology Corp. (ITX).

TRC received $5.1 million in cash of which $500,000 represents an advance on

the collection of metaTRACE's accounts receivable by IT, which receivables were not included in the assets sold.

TRC Cos. Inc. and its engineering and instrument subsidiaries, serve clients from 14 offices throughout the United States.

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MUNDELEIN, IL (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Bio-logic Systems Corp. (NASDAQ: BLSC) a designer and marketer of computerized medical electro-diagnostic equipment, Monday announced operating results for the three and six months ended Aug. 31.

Total revenues for the 1990 three months increased to $2,915,395 compared to $2,479,030 for the comparable three months of 1989. Total revenues for the 1990 six months increased to $5,190,062 compared to $4,735,496 for the comparable six months of 1989.

The company had operating income of $37,020 for the 1990 three months compared to operating income of $77,618 for the comparable 1989 three months and a loss of $334,574 for the 1990 six months compared to income of $153,460 for the comparable 1989 six months.

The company's net income was $50,786 or 2 cents per share for the 1990 three month period compared to $109,389 or 4 cents per share for the 1989 three month period. For the 1990 six months, Bio-logic reported a net loss of $187,311 or 7 cents per share compared to net income of $204,297 or 8 cents per share for the 1989 six months.

The weighted average number of shares were 2,774,472 for the 1990 three months as compared to 2,729,947 for the 1989 three months and 2,792,430 for the 1990 six months, as compared to 2,701,028 for the 1989 six months.

The company also reported that effective Sept. 28, 1990, Robert Penrod, the company's executive vice president and chief operating officer, resigned as an officer and director of the company to pursue other interests.

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TAMPA, FL (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Eastern Environmental Services Inc. (NASDAQ:EESI) Monday announced the signing of five preliminary agreements to

acquire existing landfills in New York, South Carolina, Michigan, North Carolina, and Georgia.

The Georgia site includes a waste hauling company. Combined permitted capacity for all sites exceeds 10 million cubic yards and all sites have acreage available for expansion. The company owns several landfills and waste hauling operations serving a 12 state area.

Acquisition of some of these sites could occur within 30 days while others may require four-six months to complete environmental audits, permit transfers and other due diligence items. Company officials emphasize that these agreements are preliminary in nature and that there is no guarantee that EESI will acquire the sites.

EESI's strategy is to continue the expansion of its landfill, waste collection and asbestos waste hauling operations by acquiring additional solid waste landfills, particularly those permitted to accept special and industrial waste.

Increased waste volumes, more stringent governmental regulations and adverse public opinion have resulted in sharply escalating disposal fees, significantly fewer landfills and a decreasing number of newly permitted facilities. With rapidly increasing regulatory and financial burdens, many small private landfills will close or be sold.

The company plans to acquire under-utilized landfills in rural areas with the potential to accept substantial amounts of special waste and asbestos as well as local municipal solid waste (''MSW''). EESI expects that some of these sites will have the potential to become regional MSW facilities serving contiguous rural counties.

Sites will be supplied with waste from long distance special waste haulers, local waste collection operations, and the company's own hauling and collection operations.

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ORLANDO, FL (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Gencor Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:GCOR) announces earnings of $585,000, or 37 cents per share, for the six months ended June 30, 1990, as compared with $340,000, or 21 cents per share, for the like period in 1989.

Revenues declined from $35,440,000 to $31,239,000 for the six month period in 1990 vs. the like period in 1989.

E.J. Elliott, Gencor's chairman and president, stated that the improved earnings are largely the result of an aggressive effort to reduce costs in all areas of operations. ''The 1990 results reflect the reduced costs from the consolidation and restructuring we accomplished in 1989, as well as reduced costs of the ongoing patent litigation,'' Elliott said.

Sales in the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $12,264,000, down from $17,040,000 in the three months ended June 30, 1989. The decline in sales for 1990 vs. the comparable period of 1989 reflect the economic downturn and softening of the market since the beginning of the year which is anticipated to continue for the balance of the year.

Gencor also restated the results of the first quarter of 1990 due to problems associated with its computer system conversion. These problems resulted in the understatement of earnings for the first quarter of this year.

Earnings for the first quarter of 1990, as restated, amounted to $984,000 or 62 cents per share, up from $244,000 or 15 cents per share originally reported. The company reports progress with the implementation of the computer system and has taken several steps to insure that such errors do not recur.

Gencor Industries is based in Orlando, Fla, where it has major manufacturing facilities and its headquarter offices. Other substantial manufacturing facilities are maintained in Iowa, Ohio and England.

Products include thermal fluid heat systems, combustion systems, hot mix asphalt production plants, electronic process automation systems, soil remediation units, and other related construction machinery products.

Gencor Industries Inc.
Condensed Statement of Operations
(Dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$12,264	$17,040	$31,239	$35,440
Operating income (loss)	$ (9)	$ 163	$ 2,058	$ 1,792
Net Income (loss)	$ (399)	$ (301)	$ 585	$ 340

Earnings (loss) per share	(25 cents)	(19 cents)	37 cents	21 cents

	Year Ended December 31	
	1989	1988
Net Sales	$ 54,644	$ 56,799
Operating income (loss)	$ (4,970)	$ 2,094
Net income (loss)	$ (6,106)	$ 165
Earnings (loss) per share	$ (3.83)	10 cents

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PASADENA, CA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Loral Electro-Optical Systems, a unit of Loral Corp., has received a $51.5 million contract from the U.S. Army Project Manager for Training Devices, Orlando, Fla., to produce an advanced air and ground engagement system known as Ages II.

Ages II is a MILES-based state-of-the-art simulation system that will train air and ground forces with upgraded capabilities in the three-dimensional battlefield. Ages II provides accurate infrared laser ranging and replicates aircraft vulnerability with high fidelity. It also will accurately measure simulated weapons effects from the 30mm gun and the Hellfire missile.

Under the 30-month contract, Loral will produce up to 900 systems for use on OH-58D, AHIP, Apache, UH-60A Blackhawk and CH-47D Chinook helicopters at Army training sites around the world. Ages II also includes a Hellfire ground support system, the MILES equivalent to a ground vehicle laser designator and rangefinder.

The company expects to begin deliveries in April 1992.

MILES, or multiple integrated laser engagement system, simulates combat using eye-safe infrared laser transmitters and detectors attached to soldiers, weapons, vehicles and aircraft. The system is used worldwide by the U.S. Army Army Reserve, National Guard, Marines and Air Force.

Loral Corp. (NYSE:LOR) is a high-technology company that primarily designs and manufactures defense electronics.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Sterling Chemicals Inc. announced Monday that its board of directors has declared a cash dividend for the quarter ended Sept. 30, of 25 cents per share of Sterling common stock, 1 cent par value per share, payable on Oct. 24 to holders of record at the close of business on Oct. 12.

Sterling was formed in 1986 to acquire the Texas City petrochemicals plant of Monsanto Company. Sterling is a major producer of seven intermediate petrochemical products -- styrene monomer, acrylonitrile, acetic acid, plasticizers, lactic acid, tertiary butylamine and sodium cyanide.

Sterling is headquartered in Houston and its common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol STX.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Scott Sassa has been named president of Turner Entertainment Networks, it was announced Monday by R.E. Turner, board chairman and president of Turner Broadcasting System Inc. (AMEX:TBS).

Sassa will be responsible for all operations and programming for TBS

SuperStation, Turner Network Television (TNT) and TBS Productions, which is comprised of a documentary programming unit and publishing company. Sassa, previously TNT executive vice president, reports to Turner and will serve on the TBS executive committee.

''In less than two years, TNT has become one of the cable industry's leading networks, and Scott has been a major part of this success,'' said Turner. ''We are confident both networks will continue to grow and prosper under his direction.''

Sassa joined TNT from Ohlmeyer Communications Co., where he served as vice president - new business development from 1987. Prior to that, he was vice president - network management for Fox Broadcasting Co. In 1986, he was the first person hired by Fox and developed the initial business plan for the network, as well as overseeing promotions, operations and administration.

From 1982 to 1983, Sassa was with TBS, first as director of sales promotion and then as vice president - general manager of the company's Cable Music Channel. He began his career with Rogers & Cowan Public Relations Agency.

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ISELIN, NJ (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The Siemens Medical Systems Inc., headquartered in Iselin, will build a new diagnostic medical equipment training center at MacGregor Park in Cary, N.C.

The company will invest approximately $10 million to build a 70,000 sq. ft. building where each 2,000 people will undergo close to 250,000 hours of training on some of the world's most sophisticated healthcare equipment. Training will be provided by thirty-five full time instructors.

''Siemens is a world leader in electronics and medical instruments and their presence in Cary and the Research Triangle area will enhance the region's status as a national center for excellence in medical technology,'' said Secretary Jame T. Broyhill of the North Carolina Department of Economic and Community Development.

Robert J. MacKinnon, president, Siemens Medical Systems, said ''Our new training center will instruct health care personnel from across the nation and from other countries. The Research Triangle area is uniquely suited to meet

Siemens' needs.

''National air travel connections are good, and the research and development climate provided by the Research Triangle Park and the area's universities is excellent. Our company will continue to work closely with the state's top quality medical schools and area hospitals to enhance local medical care and provide valuable technical feedback for new product development. Lastly, the region's high quality-of-life and reasonable costs will assist in the recruitment and retention of personnel.''

Seimens Medical Systems sells and services a broad range of non-invasive diagnostic equipment. Training will span this range of equipment which includes: computed tomography and magnetic resonance imaging systems, surgical microscopes, nuclear medicine imaging systems, breast radiography, angiography imaging systems, cardiac catherterization labs, lithotripsy systems, and ultrasound imaging systems.

Dewberry & Davis of Raleigh, N.C., is providing complete architectural, engineering and interior architectural services for the new training center. In keeping wth Siemens' progressive approach to the development of highly-specialized medical equipment, the architects will employ a modern design with a deliberate sensitivity to functional activity within the building and the wooded, hilltop setting.

The four-story, 70,000 sq. ft. building will feature continuous bands of tinted glass around its perimeter. To portray the cutting edge technology of Siemens' medical equipment development and foster a strong learning environment, the design will employ clean, modern lines and sleek, high-tech surfaces.

The building's floorplan is shaped like a rectangle rounded at one end. Inside, classrooms and offices will be arranged around a four-story atrium-the building's focal point. A courtyard on the first floor will serve as a gathering area for both students and staff.

Siemens Medical Systems employs over 7,000 people at more than 128 locations in the United States and has annual sales approaching $1.4 billion.

Siemens currently employs over 1,500 workers in North Carolina, with an annual payroll in excess of $35 million. There are four manufacturing operations: Siecor, producing fiber optic cable in Hickory; Pelton & Crane, producing dental equipment in Charlotte; Siemens Energy and Automation producing low and medium voltage switchgear in Raleigh; and also producing residential circuit protection equipment in Wilmington.

Siemens also has two research and development laboratories, a fiber optics center in Hickory and a central technology lab in Charlotte. In addition Siemens has numerous sales and service offices throughout North Carolina.

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SEBRING, FL (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The acquisition of First Home Federal Savings and Loan Association by Huntington Bancshares Inc. was consummated on schedule on Sept. 28.

As a result of the merger, shareholders of First Home Federal will receive 1.56086 shares of Huntington common stock for each share they own of First Home Federal common stock. A total of approximately 2,226,500 shares of Huntington common stock will be issued in the transaction.

A Transmittal Letter will be mailed promptly by Huntington to each shareholder of First Home. Upon receipt, the First Home shareholders should surrender their First Home stock certificates in exchange for Huntington stock certificates.

Huntington Bancshares incorporated is a $12 billion regional bank holding company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio.

Huntington's banking and thrift subsidiaries operate 261 offices in Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Florida.

In addition, Huntington's mortgage, trust, investment banking, and automobile finance subsidiaries manage 32 offices in the seven states mentioned as well as Delaware, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Rhode Island and Virginia.

Huntington's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System using the symbol ''HBAN.''

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ATLANTA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Terence F. McGuirk has been named executive vice president of Turner Broadcasting System Inc. (AMEX:TBS), it was announced

Monday by R.E. Turner, TBS board chairman and president.

In his new position, McGuirk's responsibilities include Turner Broadcast Sales Inc., the company's advertising sales division, as well as the corporate research, public relations, marketing and advertising departments. He continues to serve as president of Turner Sports and president of Turner Cable Network Sales (TCNS) and its subsidiary, CNN International Sales Ltd.

McGuirk's other corporate duties inlcude directing the operations of the Atlanta Hawks and the Atlanta Braves, overseeing the Washington government affairs office and the company's satellite usage and purchases. He also serves on the TBS executive committee and board of directors.

''The continuing expansion of Terry's corporate role reflects the instrumental part he has played in the company's senior management for nearly two decades and his position as one of the cable and sports industries' most respected leaders,'' said Turner.

McGuirk joined TBS in 1972 as an account executive with WTCG (now TBS SuperStation). In l975, he was named director of cable relations, and in l978 director of special projects. One year later, McGuirk was appointed vice president of the company. In l987, he was named president of TCNS and also elected to the TBS board of directors. In l989, he was named president of Turner Sports.

McGuirk is a former board member of the Cabletelevision Advertising Bureau (CAB), the National Cable Television Association (NCTA) and the Cable Television Administration and Marketing Society (CTAM). In 1989, he was the recipient of the NCTA Vanguard Award for Young Leadership.

A native of Bayshore, N.Y., McGuirk is a graduate of Portsmouth Abbey School and Middlebury College.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Julia W. Sprunt has been named vice president of marketing and communications for Turner Broadcasting System Inc. (AMEX:TBS).

In this position, she will expand her areas of responsibility to include

overseeing the company's public relations department. Sprunt, who also was named to TBS' executive committee, reports to TBS Executive Vice President Terence F. McGuirk. She continues to supervise the company's advertising and promotion department.

''Julia has made a significant contribution in every area of the company she has served over the years,'' said McGuirk. ''We are delighted she will be overseeing all of our marketing and public relations efforts.''

Sprunt has been in her current position since this past April. Previously, she served as vice president of marketing for TBS SuperStation.

Before moving to TBS SuperStation, Sprunt was senior vice president of Turner Cable Network Sales (TCNS), the company's cable affiliate sales and marketing division, in charge of the western sales region and affiliate marketing. She joined TCNS in 1981 and held a variety of positions, including national accounts manager and regional vice president.

Sprunt, a native of Memphis, Tenn., holds a bachelor of arts from the University of North Carolina.

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DALLAS (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - American Realty Trust Inc. (NYSE: ARB) Monday announced operating results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the company recorded net income of $483,000, or 8 cents per share, on revenues of $4.5 million, compared with net income of $3.8 million, or 35 cents per share, on revenues of $5.8 million in the second quarter of the prior year.

These results reflect a gain from the sale of a property of $330,000 in the second quarter of 1990, compared with a gain of $86,000 in 1989's second quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company recorded a net loss of $2.3 million, or 36 cents per share, on revenues of $6.7 million, compared with net income of $7.5 million, or 69 cents per share, on revenues of $11.4 million in the first half of 1989.

American Realty Trust Inc. is a real estate investment trust which primarily invests in mortgage loans, real estate and real estate-related entities.

AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC.
Financial Highlights
(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$ 4,516	$ 5,790	$ 6,699	$11,413
Net income	$ 483	$ 3,834	$(2,288)	$ 7,496
Per Share	8 cents	35 cents	(36 cents)	69 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	6,355,072	10,863,348	6,355,072	10,863,348

CONTACT: American Realty Trust Inc., Dallas
Jean Krone Bono, 214/692-4800.

-30- 1902
#90274b0790 10/01/1990 ~Business Wire

ORLANDO, FL (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Laser Photonics Inc. (NASDAQ:LAZR) announced Monday they have received approval from the FDA to market a line of surgical Nd:YAG lasers for use in general surgical applications, which includes laser cholecystectomies.

Laser Photonics will introduce this line of lasers at the American College of Surgeons conference in San Francisco on Oct. 8.

Company President and Chief Executive Officer, Mark T. Fukuhara, stated ''we are very excited about the approval for applications in general surgery and the formal introduction of our own line of surgical laser systems. We anticipate several additional approvals from the FDA over the next six - nine months that will allow us to market new wavelengths, laser systems, and accessories.''

Laser Photonics Inc., designs, manufactures, and markets solid-state and gas laser systems, components, and other peripheral equipment for applications in the medical and scientific markets.

CONTACT: Laser Photonics Inc., Orlando
T. Michael Janney, 407/281-4103.

-30- 1231
#90274b0793 10/01/1990 ~Business Wire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - The acquisition of Kensington Products by Information Display Technology Inc. (IDT) from Adience Inc. has been announced by Herbert T. Kerr, chairman of Information Display Technology, headquartered in Pittsburgh.

IDT acquired the assets of Kensington Products, from Adience in exchange for shares of IDT stock. Kensington had revenues of $2.2 million with $196,000 pre tax profit in 1989. ''The addition of Kensington products, which designs and manufactures fluorescent lighting fixtures, to IDT adds a new dimension to IDT's product offering,'' says Kerr.

Kensington Products will continue to be run by existing management. The company's manufacturing facilities and headquarters are in Leechburg, Pennsylvania, outside of Pittsburgh.

Information Display Systems Inc. is a leading supplier of visual information display systems, and is traded on the American Stock Exchange. Revenues for IDT were $44 million in 1989.

Adience Inc. is a diversified manufacturing service corporation which in addition to the Information Display Technology Group, operated through two other business units: the Heat Technology Group, and the Industrial Services and Products Group. In 1989 Adience had revenues of $240 million, including the revenues of IDT, which is 81 percent owned by Adience.

CONTACT: Adience Inc., Pittsburgh
Willard M. Bellows, 412/381-2600
or
Bond Communications, Pittsburgh
George L. Bond, 412/391-0073.

-30- 1691

#90274b0795 10/01/1990 ~Business Wire

DALLAS (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of trustees of Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust (NASDAQ: CMETS) Monday announced they have authorized the purchase of up to $2 million of common stock of American Realty Trust Inc. (NYSE: ARB) through negotiated and open market transactions.

Management of the trust will determine the amount and timing of stock purchases based on the market prices of the shares relative to management's assessment of their underlying asset value.

''We continue to believe the pervasive negative sentiment toward real estate-related stocks provides an excellent investment opportunity,'' said a spokesperson for the trust.

Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust is a combination mortgage and equity

real estate investment trust which operates nationwide. The trust and American Realty Trust Inc. are each advised by National Realty Advisors Inc.

CONTACT: American Realty Trust Inc., Dallas
  Jean Krone Bono, 214/692-4800.

-30- 1149
     #90274b0800 10/01/1990 ~Business Wire
HOUSTON (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Southdown Inc. (NYSE:SDW)announced that the company has acquired Allworth Inc. and Century Resources Inc. for a total of approximately $20 million, including working capital and other adjustments.

Allworth Inc. is a waste processor which has two facilities located in Tarrant Ala., and Mt. Pleasant, Tenn. Century Resources has a waste processing facility in Alsip, Ill. near Chicago. The acquisition of these facilities, in addition to the previously announced acquisition of three other processors earlier this year, are part of the company's strategy to process wastes into fuels to utilize in its cement kilns.

Southdown Inc. is one of the leading U.S. cement and ready-mixed concrete companies. The company manufactures cement in eight plant locations around the country and markets ready-mixed concrete in southern California and Florida.

CONTACT: Southdown Inc., Houston
   Karen A. Twitchell, 713/650-6200.

-30- 1114
     #90274b0801 10/01/1990 ~Business Wire
FLAT ROCK, MI (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Mazda (North America) Inc., (MANA), Monday announced the formation of a new, wholly-owned subsidiary, Mazda Systems Services of North America Inc. (MSS).

The new company will consolidate current information systems functions and provide data processing, computer systems development and information systems consulting services to Mazda corporate affiliates such as Mazda Motor Manufacturing (USA) Corp. (MMUC) in Flat Rock, Mich., and Mazda Research and Development of North America Inc. (MRA) office in Flat Rock.

The company will be headed by Yoji Toyama, president of MANA, who will serve as president of the new company in addition to his current duties. In announcing the new corporate addition, Toyama said, ''Formation of MSS will allow us to provide efficient and expanded service to local Mazda affiliates and represent another step in Mazda's growing commitment to Flat Rock, and the Downriver area of metropolitan Detroit.''

The new subsidiary will be temporarily housed within the MMUC facilities in Flat Rock. MSS is expected to begin construction in late 1990 on a $9 million office building which will be located adjacent to the MMUC vehicle assembly plant administration building. Initial employment of the new company will be 43 at the time of establishment, including current Information System Department staff at MMUC which will be transferred to MSS. The number of employees will increase to approximately 60 by the end of 1991.

CONTACT: Mazda North America, Taylor
T. McDonald, 313/246-8822

-30- 1731
#90274b0806 10/01/1990 ~Business Wire
WEST COLUMBIA, SC (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Wells American Corp. (ASE: WAC), Monday announced that Jody O. Wells had resigned as a director and officer of the corporation effective Sept. 28, 1990.

Wells intends to pursue other business interests.

In a related action, the board appointed William J. Curtis to succeed Wells as a director. Curtis has been affiliated with Wells American's engineering and technical activities since he began working for the company in Ireland in 1981. Curtis received an electronics and computer engineering degree from Cork Regional College, Ireland.

Wells American's common securities are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol ''WAC.'' For further information on Wells American, contact Robert K. King, president, at the company's corporate headquarters.

CONTACT: Wells American Corp., West Columbia
Robert K. (Ken) King, 803/739-1829.

-30- 1054
#90274b0809 10/01/1990 ~Business Wire
RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert H. Hilb, president of Hilb, Rogal & Hamilton Co. (NASDAQ: HRHC) announced the completion of the acquisition of Ken Williams Insurance Agency of Edna, Texas, by Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co.'s office in Victoria, Texas.

Terms were not disclosed.

Hilb stated, ''This acquisition represents another orderly step in the expansion of our company.''

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. provides insurance agency services to a wide variety of clients through its network of wholly owned subsidiaries which

operate 39 insurance agencies in 15 states and the District of Columbia. The company is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol, HRHC.

CONTACT: Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co., Richmond
Robert H. Hilb, 804/747-6500.

-30- 961
#90274b0813 10/01/1990 ~Business Wire

BASKING RIDGE, NJ (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T has doubled its commitment to customers on the telecommunications industry's first and only 800 Assurance Policy by cutting restoral time from one hour to 30 minutes.

The AT&T 800 Assurance Policy is a standard feature offered without charge to existing customers of interstate domestic AT&T 800 Service; AT&T 800 READYLINE (R) Service; AT&T 800 MasterLine (SM) Service and AT&T MEGACOM (R) 800 Service.

The AT&T 800 Assurance Policy consists of two parts:

Guaranteed Call Completion -- If customers experience a complete disruption of 800 service caused by any network, premises equipment or access problems, within 30 minutes --instead of the original policy's one hour commitment -- AT&T will implement, at the customer's choosing, one of the following options until service is restored:

(1) Provide temporary 800 READYLINE Service for routing of calls to any working telephone line, on or off the customer's premises. (2) Route 800 calls to a customized announcement. (3) Route the calls to one of four AT&T 800 services to which the customer subscribes--domestic AT&T 800 Service, 800 READYLINE Service, AT&T 800 MasterLine Service and MEGACOM 800 Service -- either on or off the customer's premises.

All routing will be free of charge if the problem is in the AT&T network or in AT&T-provided end-to-end access. Normal routing, installation and usage charges for completed calls will apply if the problems are caused by premises equipment or customer-provided access.

Moreover, in the unlikely event calls are not routed in 30 minutes, AT&T will credit the customer's account in the amount of one month's service charge.

No-Miss Installation Guarantee -- If AT&T fails to install 800 services within the standard installation interval for domestic AT&T 800 services, excluding Basic 800 intrastate service, the company will offer the customer the choice of one of the following options:

(1) Installation charges will be waived for the service ordered. (2) Temporary AT&T 800 READYLINE Service will be provided at no charge. (3) AT&T 800 calls will be routed to an announcement customized with company name and telephone

number. (4) Calls will be routed to one of four AT&T 800 services to which the customer subscribes: domestic AT&T 800 Service, 800 READYLINE Service, AT&T 800 MasterLine Service and MEGACOM 800 Service.

The tariff for the improved AT&T 800 Assurance Policy was filed with the Federal Communications Commission and is expected to become effective November 1.

CONTACT: AT&T, Basking Ridge
Marie Panzera, 201/221-4355 (office), 201/543-6682 (home)
or Daisy Ottmann, 201/221-6227 (office), 201/221-0275 (home).

-30- 2943
#90274b0828 10/01/1990 ~Business Wire
RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert H. Hilb, president of Hilb, Rogal & Hamilton Co. (NASDAQ: HRHC) announced the completion of its previously announced merger agreement with Kroh, Miller, Knight & Shackelford Inc. of Baltimore, and Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co.'s Baltimore subsidiary.

Terms were not disclosed.

Kroh, Miller, Knight & Shackelford Inc., prior to the merger, was among the largest independent insurance agencies in Maryland. After the merger of the existing Baltimore subsidiary of Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. and Kroh, Miller Knight & Shackelford Inc., Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. believes it has established one of the premier independent insurance agencies in Baltimore.

Harry J. Cranston is president of the merged companies; John H. Beatson is the executive vice president and Terry O. Mayer is the senior vice president.

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. provides insurance agency services to a wide variety of clients through its network of wholly owned subsidiaries which operate 39 insurance agencies in 15 states and the District of Columbia. The company is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol, HRHC.

CONTACT: Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co., Richmond
Robert H. Hilb, 804/747-6500

-30- 1430
#90274b0840 10/01/1990 ~Business Wire
ATLANTIC CITY (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Resorts International Inc. and its subsidiaries announced Monday that the initial distribution of new securities under its plan of reorganization has occurred and that trading of the securities has commenced on the American Stock Exchange.

Trading on a ''when-issued'' basis had previously begun on Sept. 17. Initial

distibutions of new securities according to the company's plan of reorganization commenced today by the company's exchange agent, Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co.

Under the reorganization plan, all previously outstanding notes and debentures of Resorts and its subsidiaries are being exchanged pursuant to the plan for new securities as follows: For each $1,000 principal amount of:
Security-holders will receive: 10 percent RII Debentures due 1998
$185.98 principal amount of

Series B Notes, 20.42 shares of Resorts' newly issued common stock, and 13.53 units of beneficial interest in the Litigation Trust.

10 percent RII Debentures due 1999 $202.16 principal amount of

Series B Notes, 22.20 of shares of Resorts's newly issued common stock, and 14.70 units of beneficial interest in the Litigation Trust.

11 3/8 percent RII Debentures due 2013 $210.24 principal amount of

Series B Notes, 23.09 of shares of Resorts' newly issued common stock, and 15.29 units of beneficial interest in the Litigation Trust.

16 5/8 percent RIFI Debentures due 2004 $294.59 principal amount of

Series B Notes, 32.35 of shares of Resorts' newly issued common stock, and 21.42 units of beneficial interest in the Litigation Trust.

13 1/2 percent GRI Notes due 1995 $592.50 principal amount of

Series A Notes and $332.85 principal amount of Showboat Notes.

13 7/8 percent GRI Notes due 1998 $567.19 principal amount of

Series A Notes and $318.63 principal amount of Showboat

Notes.

Certificates for interests in the Litigation Trust have not been issued and will not be distributed by the Litigation Trust until and unless any necessary regulatory approvals are obtained. Pending any such distribution, interests in the Litigation Trust will be evidenced in records maintained under the direction of the Trustee under the Litigation Trust, Kenneth Feinberg.

The company has no further information regarding the status of the Litigation Trust and any requests for further information should be directed to the Trustee.

Distribution of shares of common stock to former holders of GRI Notes and distribution of cash to former holders of RIFI Debentures respectively in exchange for releases tendered by them under the plan is expected to commence within several weeks following verification of the parties tendering such releases.

Holders of debt securities of Resorts and its subsidiaries have received forms of transmittal letters for the exchange of old securities for new securities. Those who have not yet received materials relating to the exchange should contact Manufacturers Hanover Trust at Reorganization Department, P.O. Box 1916, GPO Station, New York, New York 10116 or Georgeson & Co. Inc. (Information Agent) at Wall Street Plaza, New York, New York 10005.

CONTACT: Sawyer/Miller Group, New York
Lynn Guggenheimer, 212/303-2520

-30- 4453
#90274c0002 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:28 that trade in Financial News Network Inc.(NASDAQ: FNNI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 5 1/4. The company is located in Los Angeles, CA.

-30- 359
#90274c0003 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:30 that trade in Infotechnology Inc.(NASDAQ: ITCH) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 5 3/4. The company is located in Fairfax, VA.

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#90274c0004 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:33 that trade in Information Resources Inc.(NASDAQ: IRIC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 8 7/8. The company is located in Chicago, IL

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#90274c0005 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:36 that trade in Alpha Solarco Inc.(NASDAQ: ASCO) has been halted pending news. The last bid\ask was 3/16, 7/32. The company is located in Cincinnati, OH.

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#90274c0006 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in Koger Properties has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol KOG.

-30- 308
#90274c0008 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:44 that trade in Koger Equity Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol KE.

-30- 312
#90274c0009 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 27:

Mitsui & Co. Ltd. ADR (MITSY)
Ultra Pac Inc. (UPAC)
Zoom Telephonics Inc. (ZOOMF)

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#90274c0010 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 28:

First Home Federal Savings & Loan Association (FSEB); Transfer books closed - pursuant to plan of merger

Flare Inc. (FLAR); Plan of liquidation - transfer books permanently closed

-30- 411
#90274c0011 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/ or symbol changes effective Oct. 1:

Capital Reserve Cp. - Cl. A (CRCOA) to (CRCAD) (1 for 10 rev. split)
Cencor Inc. (CNCRD) to (CNCR)
Explosive Fabricators Inc. (BOOMD) to (BOOM)
Monmouth Real Estate Investment Trust SBI (MNRTS) to Monmouth Real Estate Investment Corp., Cl. A (MNRTA)

Morgro Chemical Co. (MRGRD) to (MRGR)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Sept. 28:

Applied DNA Systems Inc. Cl. B Wts., 10/1/90 (ADNAZ) to Cl. B Wts., 3/29/91 (ADNAZ)

Bristol Research Corp. (BRCCC) to (BRCC)

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#90274c0012 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The House passed a stock market reform bill last Friday afternoon which gives the Securities and Exchange Commission powers to shut down trading in times of market emergencies and suspend program trading during periods of extreme market volatility.

Program trading refers to a computer-based method of buying or selling a group of stocks, in which traders move quickly between baskets of stocks and futures contracts. Futures contracts represent bets on the future prices of a basket of the same stocks.

Traders attempt to profit by exploiting small differences between the price of stocks and futures contracts and critics maintain this practice contributed to the Oct. 1987 stock market crash when the Dow Jones industrial average plunged 508 points and the 1989 Oct. crash when the Dow fell 190 points.

The bill also requires large trader reporting, allows the SEC to assess the financial stability of broker-dealer parent firms and their affiliates, and directs the SEC to establish a national system for coordinated clearance and settlement of stocks, options and futures contracts between the SEC and Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

The legislation gives the SEC authority to halt stock exchange trading in a market emergency, provided the action is not opposed by the president. Currently, only the president can halt trading of the overall market.

In a statement released by his office, Rep. Edward Markey (D-Mass.), who wrote the legislation along with New Jersey Republican Matthew Rinaldo, said, "We

are giving the SEC the tools to protect the securities markets from trading strategies that threaten fair and orderly markets. As a result of Friday's bill, the SEC will be given enforcement tools to not only control manipulative trading strategies but to curb legitimate trading strategies that nonetheless result in extraordinary volatility."

The Market Reform Act of 1990, which was passed by the Senate early last week and now awaits the president's signature to become law, also requires the Federal Reserve Board, Treasury, CFTC and SEC to report annually to Congress on their efforts to coordinate their regulatory activities.

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#90274c0013 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:01 that trade in Alpha Solarco Inc. (NASDAQ: ASCO) has been resumed. The first bid was 5/32; down 1/32 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 348

#90274c0014 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:05 that trade in Information Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: IRIC) has been resumed. The first sale was 9; up 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90274c0016 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Dionex Corp.(TICKER: DNEX) earned $12.96 million, or $1.44 per share, on revenues of $80.64 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $12.83 million, or $1.34 per share, on revenues of $75.48 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90274c0017 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Anaren Microwave Inc.(TICKER: ANEN) lost $2.17 million, or $0.50 per share, on revenues of $22.75 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.88 million, or $0.44 per share, on revenues of $22.75 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90274c0018 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Riser Foods Inc.(TICKER: RSR) earned $8.26 million (including an extraordinary gain of $2.70 million), or $1.02 per share, on revenues of $1.05 billion for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $12.73 million (including an extraordinary loss of $5.71 million), or $1.62 per share, on revenues of $1.08 billion for the fiscal year ended July 1, 1989.

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#90274c0019 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows PDK Labs Inc.(TICKER: PDKL) earned $174,969, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.85 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $168,172, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $1.96 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90274c0020 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Noxso Corp.(TICKER: NOXO) earned $48,708, or $0.01 per share, on no revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $98,624, or $0.04 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

The company reports that it is a development stage enterprise incorporated in Virginia in August, 1979.

The company develops and tests a process (the Noxso process) to remove a high percentage of pollutants which cause acid rain from flue gas generated from burning coal.

The company's executive offices are located at 2414 Lytle Road, Bethel Park, PA 15102, and its telephone number is (412) 854-1200.

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#90274c0021 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Cobb Resources Corp.(TICKER: COBB) announced that effective Sept. 24, 1990, Charles Cobb IV, chairman of the board, resigned as director of the company.

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#90274c0022 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Ross Industries Inc.(TICKER: ROSX) lost $654,689, or $0.54 per share, on revenues of $6.17 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $153,811, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $7.35 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90274c0024 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Royal Gold Inc.(TICKER: RGLD) lost $1.48 million (including a gain of $411,453 on discontinued operations), or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $3.0 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $4.47 million, or $0.52 per share, on revenues of $5.67 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90274c0025 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Intellicorp (TICKER: INAI) lost $826,000, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $22.76 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $914,000, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $21.96 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90274c0026 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Jaco Electronics (TICKER: JACO) earned $246,251, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $79.95 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $1.14 million, or $0.78 per share, on revenues of $62.58 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90274c0027 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Natural Alternatives International Inc.(TICKER: NATA) earned $1.14 million, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $11.88 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $439,009, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of

$7.31 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

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#90274c0028 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Celebrity Resorts Inc.(TICKER: CELE) lost $4,928, at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the six months ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $112,992 on no revenues for the period from July 27, 1987, the date of the company's inception, through June 30, 1990.

The company states that it is a development stage enterprise engaged in development and operation of a destination resort community and fish camp in Ocala, Florida.

Celebrity says it has reported no revenues since its inception in July, 1987.

Celebrity states its operating loss is attributable to start-up costs and the expenses connected with costs of an initial public offering in 1988, later abandoned by the company.

A second public offering effective Aug. 14, 1990 also attributed to the operating loss.

The company's address is 1064 Howell Branch Road, Winter Park, FL 32789, and its telephone number is (407) 645-1104.

-30- 1160

#90274c0029 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Astrosystems Inc.(TICKER: ASTR) lost $325,000, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $10.09 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $560,000, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $12.78 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90274c0030 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Neurotech Corp.(TICKER: NURO) lost $368,920, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $878,618 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $481,613, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $862,772 in fiscal 1989.

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#90274c0032 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Trans-National Leasing Inc.(TICKER: TNLS) earned $67,404, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $6.79 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

This compares with earnings of $55,296 (including an extraordinary gain of $866,008), or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $6.01 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 552
#90274c0033 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Koger Equity Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol KE. Trading was resumed at 11:51.

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#90274c0034 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY M.L. CAIN TRUST OWNS 860,500 SHARES (9.90%) OF COMPUTER FACTORY (TICKER: CFA) OF ELMSFORD, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 7, 1990, the Bay Street Group delivered a letter to the company proposing that a newly formed corporation acquire the entire equity interest in the company for $4 per share in cash. On Sept. 27, 1990, a representative of Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. contacted the Group to arrange a meeting in the near future to discuss the proposal. Computer Factory has retained Dean Witter to consider the proposal and to respond to inquiries.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

M.L. Cain sold 96,200 shares from July 25 to Aug. 30, 1990 for $2.46 to $3.20 per share and purchased 628,900 shares from Aug. 15 to Sept. 25, 1990 for $2.04 to $3.18 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90274c0035 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP OF NORFOLK, VIRGINIA OWNS 1,088,440 SHARES (5.20%) OF ADVANCED TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ATEL) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 19, 1990, NSC transferred to Atlantic its 1,088,440 shares as a capital contribution to Atlantic as part of NSC's corporate plan to place ownership of various equity investments in the name of Atlantic.

PURPOSE:

Transfer of shares.

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#90274c0036 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Hinderliter Ind. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol HND. Trading was resumed at 13:03.

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#90274c0037 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) COMTEX - Power Duluth, Minn.-based Minnesota Power & Light Co.(TICKER: MPL) has completed the sale of a 20 percent interest, about 107 megawatts, in Clay Boswell Station Unit No. 4 to Wisconsin Public Power Inc. for $84 million cash.

As part of the Sept. 26 deal, Minnesota P&L has agreed to buy back all of WPPI's Boswell Unit capacity through Sept. 25, 1991, and 60 percent of the capacity between Sept. 26, 1991 and Sept. 25, 1992, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Sept. 28, 1990.

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#90274c0038 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWNS 473,638 SHARES (12.10%) OF PETROLEUM HELICOPTERS INC (TICKER: PHEL) OF NEW ORLEANS, LA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 25, 1990 to Sept. 27, Industrial Equity Pacific LTD sold 196,200 shares at $31.63 to $32.00 each.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 519
#90274c0040 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY HIGHLAND DISTRIBUTING CO INC OWNS 626,749 SHARES (5.80%) OF ENERGY VENTURES INC (TICKER: ENGY) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On June 21, 1990, pursuant to an agreement dated as of June 19, 1990 between the company and Highland, HRI Resources Inc., T. M. Maroney, Donald A. Elder, Patrick Elder and Simmons & Co. Holdings, the 626,349 shares of common stock were issued to Highland by the Company in consideration for the transfer to the company of 347,972 shares of common stock of EVI Inc., in connection with the merger of EVI with EVI Acquisition.

PURPOSE:

Transfer of securities and consideration acquisition.

-30- 864
#90274c0041 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

C.B. JAMES OWNS 504,000 SHARES (5.09%) OF STRATEGIC INFORMATION INC (TICKER: D.IAV) OF GREENWICH, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Ms. James acquired 434,000 shares in exchange for her subordinated notes and warrants in the exchange offer pursuant to a subscription agreement for shares dated as of June 29, 1990 between Strategic Information Inc. and Ms. James.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 587
#90274c0042 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GENERAL ATLANTIC INVESTMENTS LTD OF HAMILTON, BERMUDA 2,809,030 SHARES (13.20%) OF LEGENT CORP (TICKER: LGNT) OF VIENNA, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 5, 1990, Investments transferred to General Atlantic Group all but one hundred of the common shares of Legent.

PURPOSE:

Restructuring.

-30- 519
#90274c0043 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Oak Tree Savings Bank S.S.B., of New Orleans, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Landmark Land Co. Inc.(TICKER: LML), entered into a supervisory agreement with the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS).

The agreement regulates certain aspects of Oak Tree's operations, including restrictions on Oak Tree's ability to engage in certain business activities such as making certain types of loans, without OTS' prior consent.

The agreement also requires Oak Tree to obtain OTS' consent to certain actions such as appointment of new directors, hiring certain employees, increasing compensation except in accordance with past practices and entering into material transactions or paying dividends.

-30- 920
#90274c0044 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Community

Financial Corp.(TICKER: CFFC) announced that effective Sept. 20, 1990, it engaged a new accounting firm, BDO Seidman, and terminated its relationship with its former auditors, Cherry, Bekaert & Holland.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

In other news, the company reported on Sept. 27, 1990 that Community will continue its stock repurchase program for another six-month period, beginning Oct. 1, 1990.

Under the program, Community stated, it will repurchase in the open market up to five percent of its outstanding stock.

Community has 634,372 shares of common stock outstanding.

-30- 1028

#90274c0045 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 4 1990, Rockwood National Corp.(TICKER: RNTL) was granted a motion by the U.S. District Court for the southern district of New York for summary judgement that dismissed the claims against it as time-barred under statutes of limitation.

The company is a defendant in litigation resulting from the nonpayment of the publicly held debentures of its former subsidiary, Rockwood Computer Corp.

On Sept. 15, 1990, plaintiffs in the litigation filed for reargument of the court's ruling, contending that claims against Rockwood should not be dismissed as time-barred.

Rockwood stated that it intends to vigorously oppose this motion.

-30- 863

#90274c0046 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 30 1990, the company's president was authorized to solicit offers to purchase one or more of the operating units of Technology 80 Inc. (TICKER: TKAT), or the entire company, to enhance shareholder value.

-30- 444

#90274c0048 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows FCS Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: FCSI) announced the resignation of outside director

Ralph T. Lilore, effective Sept. 19, 1990.

Lilore cited the pursuit of a new business venture as the basis of his resignation.

The company reports it has no plans to fill the vacancy created by Lilore's departure.

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#90274c0049 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the SEC shows Shelly Associates Inc.(TICKER: SHLY), effective Sept. 26, 1990, has exchanged 2,800 shares of common stock of Precious Metals Mining and Development Corp. (PMMDC) (representing an approximate 16% ownership of that company), for 1.44 million shares of Gold Properties Restoration Inc. (GPRC).

The company reports that GPRC was established as a vehicle for raising funding for the identification and restoration of gold projects around the world.

GPRC has received a commitment from Toluca Pacific Securities to underwrite the offering of 1 million common shares of GPRC at $5 per share.

As a result of the stock exchange, Daniel C. Montano was elected chairman of the board of GPRC and various officers and/or directors of Shelly and/or PMMDC were elected as officers and/or directors of GPRC.

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#90274c0050 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Indiana Financial Investors Inc.(TICKER: IFII) earned $861,562 (including an extraordinary gain of $340,350), or $0.94 per share, on revenues of $1.34 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $983,733 (including an extraordinary gain of $240,000), or $1.02 per share, on revenues of $1.36 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 581

#90274c0051 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Griffith Consumers Co.(TICKER: FUEL) earned $321,128, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $123.38 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $710,517, or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $102.62 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 475
#90274c0052 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Programs Unlimited Inc.(TICKER: PRUL) lost $111,416, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $33,199 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $113,404, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $47,259 for fiscal 1989.

The company reports it ceased conducting substantial activities or operations in fiscal 1985 and liquidated its inventories.

Since then, its business activities have consisted mainly of settling litigation and vendor claims.

The company's address is 125 S. Service Road, Jericho, NY 11753, and its telephone number is (516) 997-8668.

-30- 813
#90274c0053 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Great Falls Gas Co.(TICKER: GFGC) earned $1.13 million, or $1.10 per share, on revenues of $23.23 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.21 million, or $1.21 per share, on revenues of $22.91 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 481
#90274c0055 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows LaserMaster Technologies Inc.(TICKER: LMTS) earned $3.41 million, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $31.96 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $766,168, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $9.43 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 492
#90274c0057 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:07 that trade in Infotechnology (NASDAQ: ITCH) has been resumed. The first sale was 5 5/8; down 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90274c0058 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:40 that trade in Hinderliter Industries Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol HND.

-30- 332
#90274c0059 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY D.H. HAMILTON OWNS 22,540,884 SHARES (17.40%) OF CAMPBELL SOUP CO (TICKER: CPB) OF CAMDEN, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 27, 1990, Charles H. Mott was appointed as the "non family Trustee" under the trust agreement dated June 2, 1990 and is this is the first 13D filed by Mott. At the same time, Mrs. Hamilton was appointed a voting trustee and Mr. Norris resigned as a voting trustee. Also on Sept. 27, 1990, Mott was elected a director of the company and Mrs. Hamilton resigned as a director effective Oct. 1, 1990.

-30- 740
#90274c0060 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

D.H. HAMILTON OWNS 9,025,929 SHARES (7.00%) OF CAMPBELL SOUP CO (TICKER: CPB) OF CAMDEN, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 27, 1990, Charles H. Mott was appointed as the "non family Trustee" under the trust agreement dated June 2, 1990 and is this is the first 13D filed by Mott. At the same time, Mrs. Hamilton was appointed a voting trustee and Mr. Norris resigned as a voting trustee. Also on Sept. 27, 1990, Mott was elected a director of the company and Mrs. Hamilton resigned as a director effective Oct. 1, 1990.

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#90274c0061 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

D.H. HAMILTON OWNS 8,017,874 SHARES (6.20%) OF CAMPBELL SOUP CO (TICKER: CPB) OF CAMDEN, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 27, 1990, Charles H. Mott was appointed as the "non family Trustee" under the trust agreement dated June 2, 1990 and is this is the first 13D filed by Mott. At the same time, Mrs. Hamilton was appointed a voting trustee and Mr. Norris resigned as a voting trustee. Also on Sept. 27, 1990, Mott was elected a director of the company and Mrs. Hamilton resigned as a director effective Oct. 1, 1990.

-30- 725
#90274c0062 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

PRIMARK CORP OF MCLEAN, VA OWNS 500,000 SHARES (8.58%) OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESEARCH CORP (TICKER: ACRC) OF FAIRFAX, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Primark acquired 500,000 shares pursuant to a Sept. 20, 1990 purchase agreement in exchange for the sale by Primark to American Capital Research Corp. and Health and Sciences International Corp. of a wholly owned subsidiary. American Capital Research Corp. also agreed to register the shares in certain situation according to the 1933 SEC Act.

PURPOSE:

Stock purchase agreement.

-30- 741
#90274c0063 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 27, 1990, the Partnership (TICKER: MLP) and Pickens entered into a consent decree to settle allegations by the SEC that they had violated securities laws in connection with the proposal the Partnership made in Feb. 1988 to acquire Homestake Mining Co. The Partnership agreed to deposit $2.3 million in a fund to be available for distribution to other Homestake investors.

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#90274c0066 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

J.D. LEE OWNS 521,900 SHARES (3.50%) OF REPUBLIC WASTE INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: RWIN) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On April 6, 1990, the company granted Lee an option to buy 100,000 shares at $2.50 each and on June 6, the company granted him an option to buy an equal number of shares at $12 each. In June, an option to buy 64,000 shares that Lee had granted to First Financial Environmental Investors was cancelled. In August, First Financial released a proxy on 320,000 shares owned by Lee.

PURPOSE:

Grant of options.

-30- 744
#90274c0067 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY FIRST ENTERPRISE GROUP INC OWNS 155,000 SHARES (15.00%) OF HAMPTON UTILITIES TRUST (TICKER: HU) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 27, 1990 and Sept. 26, First Enterprise Group Inc. sold 30,000 shares at $8.53 to $9.94 each.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 507
#90274c0068 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY P. HERMAN OWNS 220,300 SHARES (9.98%) OF GRIFFIN TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: GRIF) OF VICTOR, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Sept. 24, 1990, P. Herman no longer constituted a group.

PURPOSE:

Termination of group.

-30- 431
#90274c0069 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

MITSUBISHI INTERNATIONAL CORP OWNS 107,861 SHARES (1.70%) OF AMTECH CORP (TICKER: AMTC) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mitsubishi International is a member of a group that includes Kenneth W. Anderson, who holds 334,312 shares, or 5.1 percent; David P. Cook, 48,000 shares, .7 percent; H. Ross Perot, 605,419 shares, 9.3 percent; J. Michael Poss, 25,640 shares, .4 percent; Walter Brothers, 78,480 shares, 1.2 percent, John T. Walter Jr., 78,480 shares, 1.2 percent; Mitsubishi Corp., 539,313 shares, 8.3 percent; and American President Cos., 647,174 shares, 10 percent.

-30- 779
#90274c0070 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - Blackstone Equities Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer up to 33,250 units.

Each unit consists of two shares of common stock and three warrants.

The initial public offering price is $12.00 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 6266 W. Roxbury Place, Littleton, Colorado 80123 and its telephone number is (303) 973-5712.

-30- 701

#90274c0071 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - Central Pacific Minerals N.L.(TICKER: CPMN) has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares, each ADS representing two ordinary shares of Aus. $0.50 par value of the company.

The depositary bank is Security Pacific National Trust Co. and its telephone number is (212) 978-5009.

Ten million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $0.05 per unit. The registration fee is $125.

-30- 677

#90274c0072 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - Sanyo Electric Co. Ltd.(TICKER: SANY) has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares, each representing five ordinary shares of 50 Japanese yen par value of Sanyo Electric Co. Ltd.

The depositary bank is Sedcurity Pacific National Trust Co. and its telephone number is (212) 978-5009.

Ten million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $0.05 per unit. The registration fee is $125.

-30- 669

#90274c0074 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - Western Oceanic Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 2 million shares of its common stock with an additional 4 million shares being sold by The Western Company of North America (WCNA).

Western Oceanic is currently a wholly-owned subsidiary of WCNA.

Upon completion of the offering, WCNA will own approximately 66 percent of Wester Oceanic's outstanding common stock.

The initial public offering price per share is still to be determined.

Wetheim Schroder & Co., PaineWebber Inc. and Howard, Weil Labouisse Friedrichs Inc. are managing the offering.

Western Oceanic provides contract drilling services in major offshore oil and gas producing areas worldwide.

The company's executive office is located at 515 Post Oak Blvd., Suite 1100, Houston, Texas 77027. Its telephone number is (713) 629-2700.

-30- 1063

#90274c0075 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Jack Carl/312-Futures Inc.(TICKER: FUTR) lost $712,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $30.40 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $613,900 (including an extraordinary gain of $208,700), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $33.23 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 518

#90274c0076 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows IVCI Corp. lost $487,122, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $2,232 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $472,908, or $0.12 per share, on no revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

IVCI is a development stage firm. Its initial business involves several prototype abstinent (nonsmoking, nonalcoholic) food cafes ("fitness cafes") offering low calorie, low cholesterol, low fat and low sodium food prepared in a healthy manner.

At the end of May, 1990, the company commenced operations of its first fitness cafe in east Boca Raton, Florida.

The company's executive office is located at P.O. Box 81004, Boca Raton, Florida 33481 and its telephone number is (407) 750-9691.

-30- 939

#90274c0077 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Oriental Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: OFSB) earned $25,000, or $0.02 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $472,000, or $0.33 per share, in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 446
#90274c0078 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GROUP LED BY TWEEDY BROWN CO LP OWNS 598,835 SHARES (10.07%) OF ATLAS CORP (TICKER: AZ) OF PRINCETON, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Tweedy Brown Co. LP sold 39,490 shares from Aug. 1 to Sept. 24, 1990 for $12.50 to $14 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 462
#90274c0079 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 28, 1990, Kansas Gas & Electric (TICKER: KSGE) asked a Kansas City District Court to issue a summary judgement against the Power & Light finding that the KCPL offer violates the Public Utility Holding Co. Act of 1935. Kansas Gas & Electric also asked the federal court to request the SEC to file a friend of the court brief on whether the KCPL tender offer violates the Holding Co. Act.

-30- 620
#90274c0083 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 27, 1990, Qume Corp.'s (TICKER: QUME) shareholders approved the

merger agreement. On Oct. 1, 1990, New Qume terminated the merger agreement, the capitalization agreement, the subsidiary stock purchase agreement, and Wearnes and Qume Management terminated the Qume acquisition partnership agreement. The agreements were terminated pursuant to clauses that allowed for such termination should the effective time of the merger did not occur on or before Sept. 30, 1990. Following termination of the capitalization agreement, the members of the buying group, New Qume and WB ceased to be members of a group. On Sept. 26, 1990, Qume Acquisition Partnership entered into an amended loan agreement with Chase and Qume Acquisition Partners amended its loan agreement with Wearnes.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Waldon Investors sold 55,000 shares on Sept. 13, 1990 for $6.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Approval of merger agreement.

-30- 1148
#90274c0087 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

W.R. Johnson's disposition of all of his North-West Telecommunications Inc. (TICKER: NOWT) common shares was part of a plan of merger and reorganization under which North-West Telecommunications Inc. became a wholly owned subsidiary of PacifiCorp.

PURPOSE:

Plan of merger and reorganization.

-30- 534
#90274c0088 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES E REVANE OF 730 CLARENCE AVE, MOUND, MN 55364, HAS FILED TO SELL 165,575 SHARES OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(ANGEION CORP. TEL: 612 559-3370)

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#90274c0089 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES V ODONNELL OF 900 CHERRY AVE, C/O THE GAP, SAN BRUNO, CA 94066, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(GAP INC. TEL: 415 952-4400)

-30- 398
#90274c0090 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLINTON H HOWARD OF 3917 FOX GLEN, IRVING, TX 75062, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) THROUGH EDWARDS (A G) & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 26, 1990.

(CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 214 541-2278)

-30- 441
#90274c0091 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ZARA E WETTREICH OF 12740 HILLCREST SUITE #209, DALLAS, TX 75230, HAS FILED TO SELL 72,000 SHARES OF PHOENIX NETWORK INC. (TICKER: PHXN) THROUGH WEDBUSH MORGAN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(PHOENIX NETWORK INC. TEL: 415 332-3030)

-30- 432
#90274c0092 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HUTCHISON LIVING TRUST OF 2702 BAYSHORE DRIVE, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: ITX) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 213 378-9933)

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#90274c0093 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD R KREITLER OF P O BOX 2360, 333 CLAY ST, KETCHUM, ID 83340, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN OIL & GAS CORP. (DE) (TICKER: AOG) THROUGH JEFFERIES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(AMERICAN OIL & GAS CORP. (DE) TEL: 713 739-2900)

-30- 452
#90274c0095 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S STEEL & CARNEGIE PENSION F OF 767 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10153, HAS FILED TO SELL 732,000 SHARES OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(USX CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

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#90274c0096 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S STEEL & CARNEGIE PENSION F OF 767 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10153, HAS FILED TO SELL 246,900 SHARES OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(USX CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 419
#90274c0097 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID J BEAN OF 120 BOXWOOD COURT, MEDIA, PA 19063, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF MED-CARE CORP. (TICKER: MDCC) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(MED-CARE CORP. TEL: 215 254-4997)

-30- 395
#90274c0098 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE R SHINDLER OF 610 LANGWOOD, HOUSTON, TX 77027, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,450 SHARES OF WEATHERFORD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WII) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(WEATHERFORD INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 713 439-9400)

-30- 436
#90274c0099 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INGRID T MORSMAN OF 820 POTTS LANE, 0, BRYN MAWR, PA 19010, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,964 SHARES OF OFFSHORE LOGISTICS INC. (TICKER: OLOG) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(OFFSHORE LOGISTICS INC. TEL: 318 233-1221)

-30- 433
#90274c0100 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LITTON INDUSTRIES FDN OF 360 N CRESCENT DR, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF LITTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: LIT) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(LITTON INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 213 859-5000)

-30- 422
#90274c0101 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARILYN A BEDDOR OF 4400 GULF SHORE BLVD N, ARDISSONE #602, NAPLES, FL 33940, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BANTA CORP. (TICKER: BNTA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(BANTA CORP. TEL: 414 722-7777)

-30- 407
#90274c0103 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - I H HANDMAKER OF 4005 PALOMAR DR, TUCSON, AZ 85711, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEI DIVERSIFIED INC. (TICKER: MEI) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(MEI DIVERSIFIED INC. TEL: 612 339-8853)

-30- 419
#90274c0104 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LUCIUS E BURCH III OF 310 25TH AVE N, NASHVILLE, TN 37203, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF) THROUGH EDWARDS (A G) & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. TEL: 615 385-3541)

-30- 449
#90274c0105 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, W.D. WINFIELD, VP OF GREENSTONE RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: GRER), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,566.

-30- 324
#90274c0106 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, J. LATSHAW, CHAIRMAN OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: LAT) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90274c0107 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, J. LATSHAW, CHAIRMAN OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: LAT) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90274c0108 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, J. LATSHAW, CHAIRMAN OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: LAT) BOUGHT 520 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 178,805.

-30- 324
#90274c0109 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, M.R. MCCLURG, CHAIRMAN OF VANTAGE POINT ENERGY INC. (TICKER: VPEI), BOUGHT 6,492 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,540.

-30- 335
#90274c0111 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, BECTON DICKINSON & CO, BEN. OWNER OF APPLIED BIOSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ABIO), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,818,562.

-30- 355
#90274c0112 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, JACK A EMANUELE, OFFICER OF AEP INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AEPI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90274c0113 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, BENJAMIN F EDWARDS III, PRES. OF EDWARDS (A.G.) INC. (TICKER: AGE), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 229,609.

-30- 326
#90274c0114 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RICHARD D KINDER, DIR. OF BJ SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: BJS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 302
#90274c0115 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BRUCE B BRUNDAGE, SHAREHOLDER OF BLACK HILLS CORP. (TICKER: BKH), SOLD 605 SHARES AT $27.48 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,531.

-30- 324
#90274c0116 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, BRUCE B BRUNDAGE, SHAREHOLDER OF BLACK HILLS CORP. (TICKER: BKH), SOLD 282 SHARES AT $27.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90274c0117 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, WILLIAM H BRENTON, DIR. OF BRENTON BANKS INC. (TICKER: BRBK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 360,342.

-30- 318
#90274c0119 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1988, MARTIN VEGH, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLYN BEAN PUBLISHING LTD. (TICKER: CBEN), SOLD 210,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 290,000.

-30- 344
#90274c0120 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MORRIS TANENBAUM, DIR. OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,614.

-30- 298
#90274c0121 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, STEPHEN B BYER, VP OF CIRCLE FINE ART CORP. (TICKER: CFNE), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 312
#90274c0122 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, PAUL J ROZZINI, VP OF CHYRON CORP. (TICKER: CHY), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,225.

-30- 295
#90274c0123 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, GEORGE H RAMSDELL JR, VP OF THE CONTINENTAL CORP. (TICKER: CIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 311
#90274c0124 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN C BOLINGER JR, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 340
#90274c0125 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PHILIP I WILBER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DRUG EMPORIUM INC. (TICKER: DEMP), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $9.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90274c0127 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, WILLIAM F DONOVAN, CHAIRMAN OF DOCTORS REHABILITATION CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: DRRC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90274c0128 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 22, 1990, EDWARD M FASULO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ELSINORE CORP. (TICKER: ELS), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 330
#90274c0129 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DAN C NEWMAN, DIR. OF ESB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: ESBB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 303
#90274c0130 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, BLAINE E MATTHEWS JR, DIR. OF ESCALADE INC. (TICKER: ESCA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90274c0131 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, BLAINE E MATTHEWS JR, DIR. OF ESCALADE INC. (TICKER: ESCA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 312
#90274c0132 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, KINNAIRD R MCKEE, DIR. OF ENTERGY CORP. (TICKER: ETR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 294
#90274c0133 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, RAYMOND YU, OFFICER OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90274c0135 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RAYMOND YU, OFFICER OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 312
#90274c0136 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 26, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATED PERSON OF FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC. (TICKER: FF), BOUGHT 706 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,806.

-30- 353
#90274c0137 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RICHARD L JOUTRAS, DIR. OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90274c0138 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, LEONARD ABRAMSON, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90274c0139 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, LEONARD ABRAMSON, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 336
#90274c0140 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, MICHAEL J COLEMAN, DIV. OFFICER OF GANNETT CO. (TICKER: GCI), SOLD 750 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,908.

-30- 312
#90274c0141 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DONALD B DIXON, DIR. OF GUILFORD MILLS INC. (TICKER: GFD), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 306
#90274c0143 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, RUSSELL A LIVIGNI, VP OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,472.

-30- 296
#90274c0144 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CHESTER STRANCZEK, DIR. OF HERITAGE FINANCIAL SVCS INC. (TICKER: HERS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 86,750.

-30- 338
#90274c0145 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ROBERT L PURCELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HICKOK ELECTRICAL INSTRUMENT CO. (TICKER: HICK), BOUGHT 103 SHARES AT $6.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,002.

-30- 365
#90274c0146 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, SAMCO INC, OFFICER OF HASTINGS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: HMF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $37.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90274c0147 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, SAMCO INC, OFFICER OF HASTINGS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: HMF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,888.

-30- 321

#90274c0148 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, RICHARD A GUTTENDORF JR, OFFICER OF INTERNATIONAL MOBILE MACHINE CORP. (TICKER: IMMC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 354
#90274c0149 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ROBERT F KLUMPP, DIR. OF KOALA TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: KOA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,000.

-30- 327
#90274c0151 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PAUL STEVENS, PRES. OF KAPPA NETWORKS INC. (TICKER: KPA), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,000.

-30- 318
#90274c0152 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RAYMOND K GUILLAUME, OFFICER OF LIBERTY NATL BANCORP INC.(KY) (TICKER: LNBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,944.

-30- 344
#90274c0153 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, KENNETH T COVIELLO, VP OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 291
#90274c0154 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, CHARLES N WINNER, DIR. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP.

(TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90274c0155 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, CHARLES N WINNER, DIR. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90274c0156 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, CHARLES N WINNER, DIR. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90274c0157 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, CHARLES N WINNER, DIR. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,500.

-30- 336
#90274c0159 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ALLEN D ROSS, VP OF MID-SOUTH INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: MIDS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,810.

-30- 308
#90274c0160 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, R C MATNEY, DIR. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 370,430.

-30- 290
#90274c0161 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, H LEWIS WHITFIELD, DIR. OF THE MID-SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: MSRR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 307
#90274c0162 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DENNIS BECKSFORD, OFFICER OF MILLER BUILDING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MTIK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 335
#90274c0163 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, CHARLES F WHITTEN, DIR. OF NBD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $25.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,421.

-30- 305
#90274c0164 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, DOUGLAS A HENDERSON, VP OF NOVA CORP. OF ALBERTA (TICKER: NVA), SOLD 2,469 SHARES AT $7.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90274c0165 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, PRESSLEY A RIDGILL, VP OF OMNI CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: OCGI), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750.

-30- 331
#90274c0167 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, TOD R HAMACHEK, PRES. OF PENWEST LTD. (TICKER: PENW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 299
#90274c0168 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ROBERT B MCMILLEN, DIR. OF PUGET SOUND BANCORP. (TICKER: PSNB), BOUGHT 13,600 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,600.

-30- 328
#90274c0169 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BRADFIELD J COLLINS, DIR. OF REGIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: REGB), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,800.

-30- 324
#90274c0170 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, PHILIP S ROTHHOLZ, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 350.

-30- 293
#90274c0171 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DEXTER S FREE, VP OF SQUARE D CO. (TICKER: SQD), SOLD 490 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,670.

-30- 287
#90274c0172 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RALPH J RODRIGUEZ, VP OF SHELTON BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SSBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 894.

-30- 310
#90274c0173 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOHN E ANDERSON, DIR. OF SUMMIT HEALTH LTD. (TICKER: SUMH), BOUGHT 24,003 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 404,003.

-30- 321
#90274c0175 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, PAUL I GROSHER, VP OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90274c0176 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, PAUL I GROSHER, VP OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90274c0177 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, PAUL I GROSHER, VP OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,673.

-30- 313
#90274c0178 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, O EARLE LAMBORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNIT CORP. (TICKER: UNT), SOLD 17,640 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 235,791.

-30- 322
#90274c0179 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, RICHARD JOSEPH CHOUINARD, OFFICER OF USLIFE CORP. (TICKER: USH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90274c0180 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, RICHARD JOSEPH CHOUINARD, OFFICER OF USLIFE CORP.

(TICKER: USH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,677.

-30- 319
#90274c0181 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, KELBOURNE J RITTER, OFFICER OF U.S. HEALTHCARE INC. (TICKER: USHC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90274c0183 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, DAVID SMYK, VP OF U.S. HEALTHCARE INC. (TICKER: USHC), SOLD 2,651 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,015.

-30- 302
#90274c0184 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 25, 1990, MICHAEL W CASTALDI, VP OF VIVRA INC. (TICKER: V), SOLD 275 SHARES AT $29.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90274c0185 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JOHN A COBB, PRES. OF EASTERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: VFBK), BOUGHT 182 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,793.

-30- 306
#90274c0186 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, THOMAS W ITIN, DIR. OF ROADMASTER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WHEL), BOUGHT 550,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,762,019.

-30- 324
#90274c0187 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WILLIAM F GOROG, DIR. OF WORLDCORP. (TICKER: WOA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,000.

-30- 300
#90274c0188 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1987, JAMES C RUANE, DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,700.

-30- 335
#90274c0189 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 20, 1988, JAMES C RUANE, DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,000.

-30- 334
#90274c0191 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1988, JAMES C RUANE, DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,700.

-30- 336
#90274c0192 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1988, JAMES C RUANE, DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 10,300 SHARES AT $0.29 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,000.

-30- 338
#90274c0193 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 04, 1990, JAMES C RUANE, DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90274c0194 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 07, 1988, JAMES C RUANE, DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90274c0195 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 28, 1988, JAMES C RUANE, DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,700.

-30- 336
#90274c0196 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 12, 1988, JAMES C RUANE, DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,700.

-30- 338
#90274c0197 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 04, 1990, WILLIAM F WARNICK, DIR. OF PEASE (WILLARD) OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: WPOG), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90274c0199 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
BY MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) COMTEX - The House passed two pieces of legislation today which provides the Securities and Exchange Commission added enforcement powers in the areas of penny stock abuse and other securities frauds.

On a unanimous voice vote, the House passed the Securities Enforcement Remedies and Penny Stock Reform Act of 1990 and the International Enforcement Cooperation Act of 1990.

A key section of the former deals with penny stocks, which are low priced

securities that trade in the over-the-counter market but are not listed on NASDAQ.

The bill urges the SEC to facilitate at the earliest possible time the development of the National Association of Securities Dealers' OTC Bulletin Board into a fully implemented automated quotation system for all penny stocks. It also expands the SEC's authority to expel crooked promoters and consultants from the securities business and increases disclosure to penny stock customers.

In addition, the bill requires the SEC to adopt rules to address the problem of fraud associated with blank check offerings, in which the issuer discloses no specific business purpose or identifies an intent to engage in unspecified mergers or acquisitions.

The legislation requires timely disclosure of intended business plans prior to effective registration of a blank check offering and allows investors to get their money back if they disapprove of the issuer's business proposal.

Americans lost an estimated $2 billion in 1987 and 1988 as a result of fraud and abuse in the penny stock market, according to a study conducted last year by the North American Securities Administrators Association.

To further combat securities fraud, the bill expands the SEC's authority to levy new civil penalties by imposing monetary damages against violators of federal securities laws. The SEC currently may only issue fines or other civil penalties for insider trading cases.

The bill now awaits the signing of President Bush to be enacted into law.

The second securities bill passed today would allow the SEC to cooperate with foreign governments concerning securities law violations, improve the flow of information between shareholders and share issuers with respect to proxy materials and information statements, and provide the SEC specific funding levels for fiscal years 1990 and 1991.

The bill is expected to go to House-Senate conference to resolve differences between the versions passed by the respective chambers.

-30- 2734
#90274c0200 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 007

GROUP LED BY CAPITALCORP INC OWNS 7,784,727 SHARES (89.07%) OF UNITED SECURITY FINANCIAL CORP IL (TICKER: UNSE).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As of Sept. 20, 1990, Capitalcorp was unable to make the required payment of outstanding principal and interest on a loan. The lenders under the loan agreement continue to refuse to extend the maturity further. Capitalcorp is in default and therefore, is critically in need of cash. In addition, certain holders of Capitalcorp.'s 7.5 percent debentures due 2011 requested that Capitalcorp convert the debentures, which it failed to do. As a result, Capitalcorp is now in default on the debentures. As a result, Capitalcorp is now considering various liquidation alternatives and through its control of the board of UNSE, has caused UNSE to commence investigating the possibility of selling UNSE's wholly-owned subsidiary, Middle Atlantic Life Insurance Co., as a means of raising cash. On April 17, 1990, Beverly Z. Hoffmann was appointed to the board of UNSE upon the resignation of James R. McNiel. On June 11, 1990, the shareholders of UNSE elected William D. Ambrose, Patricia Howe Ellison, Beverly Z. Hoffmann, Lorraine O. Legg and Ronald D. Schaefer as directors of UNSE to serve until the next annual meeting or until their successors are elected and qualified. On May 11, 1990, UNSE paid a dividend of $4,000,000 to its shareholders of record as of the close of business on May 4, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On May 8, 1990, Capitalcorp Inc. purchased 41,537 shares at a price of $1.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Default in payment.

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#90274c0201 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY CORPORATE INVESTMENT CO OF WEST CHESTER, PA OWNS 2,699,969 SHARES (10.50%) OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC (TICKER: NAVI) OF HARTFORD, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 18, 1990, Corporate Investment Co. met to discuss their concerns with respect to the management, prospects and direction of North American Ventures Inc. and it was the general consensus of the persons attending the meeting that existing management of North American Ventures Inc. was not responsive to its shareholders and was not actively seeking to maximize the value of the

shareholders investment in the shares. As a result of such discussion, those persons formed a group, called ''Concerned Shareholders of NAVI'' which would act together in recommending certain actions to the management designed to enhance shareholder value, and maximize the investment of all of the shareholders of the issuer. On Sept. 22, 1990, William Dyesso was informed of the events of the meeting and he agreed to join Concerned Shareholders group.

PURPOSE:

Recommendations of actions to management designed to enhance shareholder value and maximize North American Ventures Inc.'s shareholder investment.

-30- 1402
#90274c0202 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.F. COOKE OF WABASH, IN OWNS 281,942 SHARES (6.10%) OF SHIRT SHED INC (TICKER: SHRT) OF WABASH, IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an option to purchase 150,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of $.75 per share, Mr. Cooke may exercise the right to acquire 60,000 shares on Nov. 28, 1990. Subject to certain conditions, the option becomes exercisable to the extent of an additional 30,000 shares per year each year on Nov. 28; so far including 1989 and 1990. The option was granted as an incentive, and no consideration was paid for the option.

PURPOSE:

Increase of beneficially-owned shares.

-30- 816
#90274c0203 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.B. HENSLEY III OF WABASH, IN OWNS 260,000 SHARES (5.60%) OF SHIRT SHED INC (TICKER: SHRT) OF WABASH, IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an option to purchase 150,000 shares of common stock at an

exercise price of $.75 per share, Mr. Hensley may exercise the right to acquire 60,000 shares on Nov. 28, 1990. Subject to certain conditions, the option becomes exercisable to the extent of an additional 30,000 shares per year each year on Nov. 28; so far including 1989 and 1990. The option was granted as an incentive, and no consideration was paid for the option.

PURPOSE:

Increase of beneficially-owned shares.

-30- 832
#90274c0204 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

LOEWS CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 10,224,853 SHARES (10.99%) OF CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL CORP (TICKER: CHA).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept 18, 1990 Dr. Gloria R. Scott was elected a director of Loews by the board of Loews to fill the vacancy created by the death of Robert B. McKay. On or about Oct. 1, 1990, Loews filed a second notification and report form under the HSR act with the FTC and Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice stating its intention to acquire from time to time, voting securities of Champion International Corp. which, when added to the shares held by Loews, would exceed 15 percent of such securities, but not exceed 25 percent. The waiting period under the HSR Act will expire on or about Oct. 31, 1990 unless earlier terminated or unless the waiting period is extended by a request for dditional information. Loews Corp. understands that Champion International Corp. has adopted a "poison pill" plan pursuant to which it has issued one preference stock purchase right for each share and which plan provides should a person acquire 20 percent or more of the outstanding shares, each right, other than those beneficially owned by the acquiring person, would, if the rights are not redeemed, entitle the holder to purchase from Champion International Corp., at a price of $75, shares having a value of $150.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

During the period Sept. 24, 1990 through and including Sept. 28, 1990, Loews purchased an additional 881,600 shares at the price of $24.75 to $25.75 per share.

-30- 1752
#90274c0205 10/01/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ULTRATECH KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS INC OWNS 13,549,000 SHARES (30.30%) OF ADVANCE DISPLAY TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: ADTI) OF ENGLEWOOD, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On April 13, 1990, the company entered into an agreement with management of Advance Display Technologies Inc. providing for the company to issue 32,002 shares of common stock to the officers and directors of ADTI as well as $10,000 for unpaid salaries in return for 1,000,000 shares of the common stock of ADTI (which shares have not yet been received). On April 16, 1990, the company entered into an agreement with Corporate Partners Inc. to acquire 10,049,000 shares of common stock ADTI and certain debentures issued by ADTI for $1,900,000, such debentures are secured by the optical screen technology of ADTI. In consideration, Ultratech shall issue specific collateral bonds to CPI in the amount of $2,175,000 with an interest rate of 11 percent per annum (interest payments to be made quarterly). Also, the company agreed to issue 200,000 shares of its common stock to be held as additional security for payment of the specific collateral bonds which agreement was scheduled to close June 1, 1990; as of the date of this report, the agreement was completed on Sept. 20, 1990. On April 25, 1990, the board authorized 200,000 shares be issued to corporate partners and on May 21, 1990, Ultratech issued stock certificates pursuant to the April 13, 1990 agreement. On April 27, 1990, ADTO filed for chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. On July 20, 1990, Judge Donald E. Cordova recused himself from the case and Judge Charles E. Matheson, via an order of recusal and reassignment, became the judge for the ADTI chapter 11 bankruptcy case. On July 25 1990, the trustee of the U.S. bankruptcy court held a 341 meeting of the largest unsecured creditors of ADTI. On Sept. 12, 1990, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Charles E. Matheson, signed the order dismissing the chapter 11 bankruptcy action of ADTI.

PURPOSE:

Issuance agreement.

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 1,223,000 SHARES (8.10%) OF ADDINGTON RESOURCES INC (TICKER: ADDR) OF ASHLAND, KY.

PURPOSE:

Increase in number of shares held.

-30- 381
#90274c0208 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 34

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 1, 1990, Stahl announced that if his offer is completed as scheduled on Oct. 1, he will extend from five to six trading days the period within which certificates of shares tendered by means of guaranteed delivery must be delivered to Chemical Bank.

-30- 462
#90274c0209 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 42

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Stahl is filing as an exhibit his form 14D-1, amendment no. 34.

-30- 239
#90274c0210 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY J.W. BARR III OWNS 166,315 SHARES (44.00%) OF CHURCHILL DOWNS INC (TICKER: CHCH) OF LOUISVILLE, KY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.W. Barr III entered into a second supplemental stockholder agreement as of May 8, 1990. Subsequent to the filing of the original 13D dated May 18, 1990, certain additional shares have become subject to the agreement. As of Sept. 17 1990, Norcross Companies Inc. owning 4,161 shares has executed the agreement with respect to such additional shares.

-30- 690
#90274c0211 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY P. KALKUS OWNS 160,000 SHARES (5.00%) OF FIRST STATE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC (TICKER: FSFI) OF WEST CALDWELL, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

P. Kalkus acquired 160,000 shares in the past sixty days for $2.25 to $3.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 487
#90274c0212 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

W.I. MILLER OWNS 438,676 SHARES (47.00%) OF IRWIN FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: IRWN) OF COLUMBUS, IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 24, 1990 W.I. Miller was granted an irrevocable proxy by J. Irwin Miller and Clementine M. Tangeman to vote 430,048 shares which are covered by an exercisable stock purchase option held by W.I. Miller.

PURPOSE:

Irrevocable proxy.

-30- 566
#90274c0213 10/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 607,998 SHARES (7.16%)

OF C-TEC CORP (TICKER: CTEX) OF WILKES-BARRE, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION: Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 62,279 shares from Aug. 1 to Sept. 27, 1990 for $17.42 to $22.14 per share and sold 3,600 shares from Aug. 10 to Sept. 21, 1990 for $17.50 to $19.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 566

#90274d1910 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 1) - Sixty-two percent of French citizens believe that a unified Germany will dominate the European Economic Community (EEC), according to a poll carried out in both France and Germany, and published Monday in the daily Le Figaro.

In contrast, 57 percent of West Germans surveyed said that that German domination of the EEC was "unlikely."

Twenty-seven percent of French respondents said that they were "worried" by German reunification, while 37 percent were "pleased" and 32 percent were indifferent.

Fifty-six percent of West Germans said that they were "confident" about the coming of a single European market in 1993, while 57 percent of the French surveyed said that they wore "worried."

A majority of respondents from both countries supported a pull-out of French and other foreign military forces from West Germany (55 percent of French and 67 percent of West Germans).

Most French respondents characterized Germans as "disciplined," "hard working" and "efficient," while West Germans regarded the French as "nationalist," "peaceful" and "friendly."

-30- 1275

#90274d1980 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (OCT. 1) - British soldiers stationed in Northern Ireland shot dead a teenage couple Sunday night after they had failed to stop their vehicle at a checkpoint.

The 18-year-old driver and his girlfriend, 16, were fatally hit. Another 16-year-old girl in the car was taken to hospital with injuries.

British Army checkpoints are a common sight on roads in Northern Ireland as

part of efforts to foil attacks by terrorists, most of them from the underground Irish Republican Army.

-30- 664

#90274d2000 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (OCT. 1) - Patrick White, winner of the 1973 Nobel Prize for Literature and widely regarded as the greatest writer Australia has produced, died at his home here Sunday, aged 78.

The Australian Broadcasting Corp. said that Mr. White, a semi-recluse in his later years, had been ill for several weeks, but it did not specify the cause of his death.

In a tribute, the Sydney Morning Herald wrote: "Patrick White remains the greatest Australian writer to date by far" - a view endorsed by Booker Prize winner Thomas Keneally, who described White on Monday as a "literary giant".

Although he was "austere", White "transcended just about all of Australian writing and will always be read as a great writer of the modernist movement," Mr. Keneally added.

In a front-page headline which belied his reputation as remote and misanthropic, the Herald also described White as "a stirrer".

It recalled his opposition to censorship and to Australia's involvement in the Vietnam War.

It pointed to his concern for Aboriginal land rights, which prompted him to refuse to participate in the Bicentennial celebrations of 1988, and to his conversion to the republican cause after the Queen's representative, Governor-General Sir John Kerr, sacked Labor Prime Minister Gough Whitlam in 1975.

Patrick Victor Martindale White, the son of wealthy Australian farmers, was born in London on May 28, 1912.

After an unhappy schooling in Sydney and at Cheltenham College, England, he entered King's College, Cambridge, to study languages, later joining the Royal Air Force as an intelligence officer.

While serving in the Middle East in World War II, White met the Greek poet Manoly Lascaris, who returned to Australia with him in 1948 and became his life's companion.

White already had two successful novels - "Happy Valley", which won the Australian Literature Society's gold medal after it was published in 1939, and "The Living and The Dead" (1941).

He now retired to devote himself to literature at Castle Hill, a suburb of Sydney renamed Sarsaparilla in a merciless string of novels and short stories attacking what White saw as the philistinism and materialism of Australia in the 1950's.

International recognition came after the publication in 1955 of "The Tree of Man," a story of Australian pioneers which has the heroic dimensions of a work by Tolstoy and a Biblical plainness of expression.

-30- 2640

#90274d2030 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 1) - Two finance firms from Japan and Singapore have set up special funds to shore up the ailing Securities Exchange of Thailand (SET), which has been hard-hit by the Gulf crisis, an SET spokesman said Monday.

The spokesman said the Bank of Thailand, the central bank, had given permission to Japan-based Nomura Securities and Singapore-based C.S. First Boston to set up funds of 150 million and 75 million dollars respectively.

A Thai firm was also given permission to underwrite another fund of 1.2 billion baht (48 million dollars), dubbed the Suk Anant fund, the spokesman said.

The moves followed the creation of the emergency Ruam Pattana II fund by 35 Thai brokers in late August to inject funds into the market, which plunged 39.1 percent after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait August 2.

The spokesman said the Ruam Pattana fund of five billion baht (200 million dollars) could also be increased if it runs low, adding that some three billion baht (120 million dollars) still remained in the fund.

Meanwhile, a central bank official said the bank had approved the applications of 30 of 94 firms eligible to comply with a central bank move in late August to increase their investment in the market.

The firms' stock investment portfolios had been limited to 60 percent of their capital, but the allowable investment was raised to 100 percent on August 27, the official said.

The firms would invest a total of 9.85 billion baht (394 million dollars), he said, adding that the applications of the remaining 64 firms were being considered.

-30- 1784

#90274d2090 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Moscow (OCT. 1) - The Soviet Union and the central American republic of

Honduras have agreed to established diplomatic relations, the official Tass news agency announced here Monday.

A joint communique authorising the move was signed by Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and his Honduran counterpart Mario Carias Zapata on Sunday said the agency.

Agreement came after Honduran President Rafael Leonardo Callejas, who also attended the signing ceremony, met Shevardnadze at the United Nations General Assembly in New York.

Moscow earlier agreed to exchange ambassadors with South Korea and establish consular links with Israel.

-30- 817

#90274d2160 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 1) - The opposition plunged India's parliament into mayhem Monday, calling on Premier Vishwanath Pratap Singh to resign for refusing to reverse a caste-based job quota policy despite widespread protests that have left more than 60 dead.

One senior opposition leader from the Congress (I) party announced from the floor of the house that he was launching a fast until death to persuade the premier to reconsider, while MP and veteran film actress Jamuna (eds: one name) ran weeping into the front rows crying that children were being shot and burned.

Mr. Vasant Sathe said he would start his fast Monday morning because the caste-based quota decision announced by Mr. V.P. Singh threatened to "plunge the country into an anti-secular, casteist and communal holocaust."

In a letter to house speaker Rabi Ray, Mr. Sathe accused the minority government of "insensitivity" to the "supreme self sacrifice" made by the youth of the country.

Ms. Yamuna was led weeping back to her seat by party colleagues, witnesses said.

At least 15 people, most of them young students, have committed suicide by burning or swallowing poison to protest the quotas which give 49.5 percent of government and public sector jobs to the country's lower castes.

At least 60 more have attempted suicide, and another 50 have died in police shootings.

The students and much of the urban middle class in north India who support them argue that the quotas make a mockery of merit and reinforce rather than

help eliminate casteism.

In the upper house or Raja Sabha, the Congress (I) also took the offensive,

calling for the prime minister's resignation, and charging him with introducing the job quotas for political reasons.

Delhi police meanwhile reported that a 27-year-old man set himself alight at a bus terminal in northwest Delhi early Monday.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) said Praveen Jain, a shopkeeper, had been admitted to the Jayaprakash Narain hospital where his decision was described as critical.

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#90274d2190 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 1) - Malaysia's mighty stuntman R. Letchemanaah, cheered on by spectators, Monday pulled a Boeing 737-200 aircraft with his hair in an unusual feat at Subang airport.

The 40-year-old stuntman pulled the 28-ton Malaysian Airlines aircraft, loaded with another 6,000 kilograms of fuel, a distance of 16.85 metres.

About 500 people watched him perform the feat which was televised live.

Letchemanaah hopes his 10-minute stunt using his long, curly hair to tow the aircraft will earn him a place in world record books.

"It's not a trick. All I do is to use my powers of concentration," said Letchemanaah, an employee of the Rubber Research Institute of Malaysia.

"As part of preparations, I had to go on a vegetarian diet for two weeks," he said, adding that one of his earlier achievements was when he pulled a bus with 27 passengers on board, also with his hair.

-30- 1061

#90274d2220 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 1) - Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. said Monday that with its subsidiary Victor Co. of Japan it will start marketing digital audio tape recorders (DATs) in the United States from October.

The Matsushita group's move followed three months after Sony Corp. became the first Japanese electronics maker to sell DATs on the American market.

Matsushita already began selling DATS on the Japanese market on June 15.

DATs, like digital compact discs (CDs), can reproduce music virtually without distortion or noise.

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#90274d2230 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 1) - Low-cost producers in Indonesia, Thailand, Papua New Guinea and some African countries are threatening Malaysia's palm oil industry which is plagued by a labor shortage, a newspaper reported Tuesday.

Malaysia's relatively high wages are blunting its competitiveness with other producing countries that do not face a labor shortage, the English-language Business Times quoted Abdul Halim Hassan, director-general of the Palm Oil Research Institute of Malaysia, as saying.

Mr. Halim said the competition is also able to capitalize fairly quickly on breakthroughs achieved by the Malaysian palm oil industry. "So the threat is very real indeed," he said.

He added, however, that if Malaysia consolidated its plantings, improved its efficiency and upgraded the quality of its exports, it would maintain its market dominance for many years to come.

Malaysia, which produced six million tonnes of palm oil last year, accounts for about 60 percent of world production.

-30- 1201

#90274d2240 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (OCT. 1) - Taiwan's unemployment rate rose to 2.1 percent in August, the highest in 2-12 years, officials said Monday.

The August jobless population of 181,000 compared with 166,000 a month earlier when the unemployment rate was 1.96 percent, Council for Planning and Development officials said.

The highest unemployment rate, 2.37 percent, was posted in February 1987, the officials added.

They said the two percent jobless level was due to sluggish domestic business activities and was "bearable" compared with the five percent in industralized nations such as the United States and West Germany and the 2.5 percent in Japan and South Korea this year.

Although unemployment was on the rise, the construction, manufacturing and textile sectors were suffering labor shortages. Job hunters were increasingly unwilling to take blue-collar work with rises in income and education levels.

To cushion a labor shortage seriously affecting major government construction projects, the cabinet further eased restrictions on the hiring of foreign workers on Thursday.

-30- 1284
#90274d2250 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (OCT. 1) - U.S. President George Bush and Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari expressed a common desire to see a bilateral free-trade accord signed by 1992, Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs Bernard Aronson said.

The two presidents, who met in New York Sunday while attending the United Nations World Summit for Children, also agreed to open talks with Canada on the possibility of a three-way free-trade arrangement.

The United States and Canada have already signed such an accord, and Mr. Bush notified Congress last week that he planned to negotiate a similar agreement with the United States' southern neighbor.

Congress now has two months to state any opposition.

"I think both presidents want to move this along as rapidly as possible and I think both presidents would be more than pleased to see this concluded and submitted for ratification and ratified in 1992," said Mr. Aronson.

Mexico and the United States have already opened consultations, and formal negotiations should begin next May or June, calling the 1992 target date a "realistic timetable".

Mr. Salinas said Mexico had a "very positive" attitude towards the talks.

On other issues, the Mexican president expressed his concern over what he called the "havoc" in the world oil market because of the current Gulf crisis.

Though Mexico is an oil-producing country, he expressed hope that oil prices would drop then stabilize to avoid problems for developing countries, notably in Central America, according to Mr. Aronson.

-30- 1748
#90274d2340 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Ankara (OCT. 1) - The prices of oil products underwent the fourth price hike Monday since the start of the Gulf crisis on August 2, the average two-month rise being 70 percent.

With the latest hike of 5 to 15 percent, the price of one litre of normal-octane gasoline went up to 85 U.S. cents.

Officials of the the country's state-owned oil distribution concern defended the rises as inevitable, arguing that the price of a barrel of crude oil had gone up by 122 percent to 40 dollars since the start of the crisis.

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#90274d2380 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 1) - Victor Co. of Japan, Ltd. (JVC) and Victor Musical Industries, Inc. said Monday they have reached basic agreement with the MCA Music Entertainment Group of the United States to form a new record company.

The new company, whose shares are to be equally shared between the two Victor firms and the MCA group, will have the exclusive right to market and promote MCA, Geffen and GRP records of the MCA group in Japan.

It will also sign and train Japanese artists when it goes into business next year.

A JVC official said the company would disclose further details upon reaching final agreement with the U.S. group.

The MCA Music Entertainment is a unit of MCA, Inc., a giant U.S. entertainment firm.

Victor Musical Industries is a wholly owned subsidiary of JVC.

JVC is a subsidiary of Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd., one of the world's top consumer electronics manufacturers, now rumored to be negotiating with MCA, Inc. on a possible buyout.

-30- 1163

#90274d2390 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 1) - Japan's foreign exchange reserves totaled 75.323 billion dollars at the end of September, up eight million dollars from 75.315 billion a month earlier, the Foreign Ministry said Monday.

This was the fifth straight monthly increase, but the margin of the rise was the smallest since May 1984, ministry officials said.

The reserves comprise convertible currencies, gold and special drawing rights (SDR's) at the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

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#90274d2490 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bangkok (OCT. 1) - Kuwait Petroleum International, the world's twelfth

largest oil company with an extensive network of gas stations in Europe, is operating normally despite the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, a Kpi executive said here Monday.

''Over the last seven weeks, we have taken stock of our position with regard to cash flow and cash balances, and I am pleased to report that Kuwait Petroleum Corporation and Kpi are in a very sound cash position, and we are confident that we can continue busiess as usual,'' Kpi executive Michael Bain said at a press conference.

Kpi opened its first gas station in Thailand on August 14, and has plans for at least five stations in Thailand by the end of the year.

In an effort to dispel doubts about Kpi's future in light of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, Bain argued that the company had already secured an oil supply arrangement with Saudi Arabia.

''Kpi's cash position is strengthened by several million barrels of oil which left Kuwait in tankers before the invasion,'' said Bain, who heads Kpi's unit in Thailand, Kuwait Oil Thailand Ltd.

''The cash inflow is estimated to be worth about 350 million dollars,'' said Bain.

Kpi operates refineries in Holland, Denmark and Italy, and some 6,500 gas stations in nine European countries.

-30- 1501

#90274d2780 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (OCT. 1) - Weeks Petroleum, a 96 percent-owned subsidiary of Bell Resources, has reported a provisional net loss of 616.60 million dollars (508.7 million U.S.) for the year ending June 30.

In a statement dated September 28 and issued here Monday, Weeks Petroleum said it expected the result to improve after its parent company completed its joint venture purchase of Bond Brewing Holdings.

Weeks Petroleum assistant secretary Bruce MacPherson said that the stock exchange had refused to allow the firm to extend its reporting deadline from September 30 until October 15, although Bell Resources expected to complete its purchase on Tuesday.

Weeks Petroleum's losses included abnormal losses totalling 793.70 million dollars (654.81 million U.S.).

Weeks Petroleum directors said the reported loss was due to significant provisions made against debts due to the company.

"In the opinion of the directors, the results are likely to improve through reassessment of asset values on completion of the brewing deal," Mr. MacPherson's statement said.

Bell Resources, a 58 percent-owned subsidiary of the troubled Bond Corp Holdings, offered 1.2 billion dollars (960 million U.S.) last year as a deposit for the breweries, more than 795 million (630 million U.S.) of it from Weeks Petroleum.

Weeks Petroleum's preliminary loss compared with a 234 million U.S. dollar profit last year.

The statement said the directors had provisioned 415 million U.S. dollars against doubtful debts for an unnamed related company, 98 million U.S. dollars for doubtful debts for an unnamed former related company and 142 million U.S. dollars for bad debts for another unnamed related company.

Directors did not declare dividends.

-30- 1970

#90274d2880 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 1) - The Russian Federation has decided to delay by a month the start of its implementation of the "500-Day" plan to replace socialism by capitalism in the largest of the Soviet Union's 15 republics, the unofficial news agency Interfax reported Monday.

The agency quoted Gennadi Filshin, the deputy prime minister of Russia, as saying the delay was caused by the Soviet parliament's failure to merge two contrasting plans to turn the Soviet economy into a market economy.

Russia had planned to start implementing the 500-Day plan from October 1. This date has now been pushed back to November 1.

Russia had chosen the more ambitious of the two plans, also known as the Shatalin Plan, but the Soviet parliament has not ruled out incorporating elements from the Ryzhkov Plan as it tries to draft a compromise plan.

The Shatalin plan was drafted by a committee led by the economist Stanislaw Shatalin, by Russian President Boris Yeltsin and by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

The other plan was drafted by a team led by Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov. Mr. Gorbachev expressed a preference for the first plan, but in view of Mr. Ryzhkov's threat to resign if his plan was discarded, Mr. Gorbachev has sought to combine the two plans.

-30- 1451
#90274d2900 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ALGIERS (OCT. 1) - OPEC chairman Sadek Boussena has come out in support of destocking strategic oil reserves held by member states of the International Energy Agency (IEA) to ease current shortages caused by the Gulf conflict.

Mr. Boussena, who is also Algeria's energy and industry minister, said on television here late Sunday that the main IEA consumer states "should resort to their strategic reserves", particularly with the approach of winter.

He said the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) had already done all it could to limit excessive oil price increases by deciding, a month ago, to produce at maximum capacity.

The Gulf crisis has already propelled oil prices above a nominal 40 dollars a barrel against 15 or 16 dollars in June. The OPEC chairman warned against a new rise in oil prices when demand goes up this winter.

He estimated the demand for OPEC crude for the fourth quarter of 1990 at 23.5 million barrels per day, while the "maximum offer" of OPEC countries -- outside of Iraq and Kuwait -- would not be more than 22.5 million barrels.

Earlier Sunday, Mr. Boussena said that the U.S. decision to release five million tons of oil from strategic reserves -- less than a half-day's consumption in the United States -- would have little effect on the oil market.

He also pointed to considerable technical problems involved in running down the oil stocks of member countries of the IEA, asking "what criteria would one use to reach a desirable level of stocks".

Mr. Boussena also suggested Sunday that oil producers, both in and out of OPEC should unite with consumers to stabilize oil prices when they return to normal after the Gulf crisis is over.

He said it was "not a matter of fixing a price. The market should be given free play. But it is not in the interests of either producers or consumers to allow oil prices to move erratically," he said.

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#90274d2910 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 1) - The Soviet parliament on Monday approved a law guaranteeing freedom of religion.

The law, which allows for "freedom of conscience and religious organizations", replaced a 1929 text that placed severe restrictions on religious activities.

But the parliament, after heated debates that lasted two sessions, banned optional religious instruction in state schools and in the Red Army.

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#90274d2970 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 1) - Winnie Mandela has won a considerable but controversial victory by being elected to a senior position in South Africa's African National Congress, an ANC spokesman said here Monday.

Mrs. Mandela was elected Sunday to the regional executive committee of the black nationalist organisation at an ANC regional congress in Johannesburg's black township of Alexandra at the weekend.

The spokesman said this appointment gave her an important political boost following her indictment last week on charges of kidnapping and assault, which involved the murder of a black adolescent activist in 1989.

But Mrs. Mandela's appointment to the regional executive of the ANC for the important Johannesburg-Pretoria-Vereeniging area, the country's industrial heartland, added to an ongoing controversy within the ANC about her status.

Rank-and-file ANC members and social workers had already objected to her appointment in July to the head of the ANC's welfare department.

They levelled accusations of nepotism since her husband, Nelson Mandela, is deputy president of the ANC.

This appointment sparked a fiery debate at the ANC's weekend meeting, where sources said numerous delegates called for her to be stripped of her leadership positions.

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#90274d3160 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT. 1) - A further rates slide took place in the international shipping market this past week.

The absence of Soviet charterers weighed particularly heavily on the grains sector, shipbrokers said.

The Baltic International Freight Futures Exchange (BIFFEX)'s Baltic Freight Index (BFI) fell 13 points on the week to end at 1,169 points -- some 250 points adrift from its position 12 months ago.

Traders reduced their nominal quotations on the main North American grain routes, citing the lack of hope for the return of Soviet charterers to the market.

The nominal rate for U.S. Gulf to Europe trades was cut to 11.075 dollars per tonne from 11.25 at the end of the previous week, and the U.S. Gulf to Japan rate was cut to 19.758 dollars from 19.91.

Among physical fixings a 52,000-ton grain carrier was paid 19.85 dollars per ton on the U.S. Gulf to Japan grain route, against 20 dollars the previous week.

Depression was not limited to the grain sector. Coal carriers saw their nominal rates cut from 6.070 dollars per ton to 6.008 for U.S. East Coast to Northern Europe. The fall followed the fixing of a 90,000-tonner on the route at 5.25 dollars per tonne, down from six dollars recorded two weeks earlier.

Among sugar movements a 14,000-tonner accepted 18.40 dollars per tonne for an Australia to Japan voyage against 19 dollars in mid-September.

The timecharter sector continued its slide. Nominal rates on return trips between Europe and the U.S. Gulf fell to 6,866.667 dollars per day, against 7,130 dollars per day at the end of the previous week.

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#90274d3250 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (OCT. 1) - The Kuwaiti exile govermment Monday urged Kuwaitis to resist Iraqi attempts to drive them out of their country.

Exile premier and crown prince, Sheikh Saad al-Abdullah al-Sabah, speaking over Radio Kuwait promised that Kuwait would soon be freed from ''tyrants''.

While the "whole world is with us", Iraq was totally isolated two months after its invasion of Kuwait, Saad said. "With Allah's help we will very soon return and re-build the country.

Radio Kuwait, which transmits from somewhere in the Gulf, was monitored here. The Kuwaiti exile government resides in Taif, Saudi Arabia.

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#90274d3270 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG, WEST GERMANY (OCT. 1) - West Germany's governing political party, the Christian-Democrats, Monday opened a two-day conference to fuse with its East German branch.

"This is an historic day for our party," said West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, head of the West German Christian Democratic Union (CDU) since 1973 and set to be chosen by the 1,000 East and West German CDU delegates as chairman of the new, unified party.

Mr. Kohl, 60, was the only candidate for the job.

"The vision of a united Germany, which we have never lost sight of, has now become a reality," Mr. Kohl said. German unification is set for Wednesday.

Mr. Kohl thanked Lothar de Maiziere, East German prime minister and president of East Germany's CDU, for leading his country "under extremely difficult conditions and under terrible pyschological pressure."

Mr. Maiziere was expected to be elected vice-president of the unified CDU, a job specially created for him.

The conference opened Monday morning with a short meeting of the West German CDU which modified its statutes in less than an hour to allow for unification.

Later, CDU members from the six East Berlin regional federations and the five East German states were due to join their West German colleagues for the first German CDU conference.

Unlike West Germany's main opposition party, the Social-Democrats, the CDU was created after the war and has therefore never been unified.

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#90274d3310 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND (OCT. 1) - A picturesque golf course owned by Americans who want to sell it to Japanese is turning into an embarrassing racial issue in the runup to New Zealand's October 27 elections.

The cabinet Monday deferred making a decision on Land Minister Peter Tapsell's unilateral Saturday veto forbidding the sale to Japan Golf Systems Ltd. of the 146 hectare (360 acre) Wairakei golf course, 350 kilometres (217 miles) south of here.

Prime Minister Mike Moore said in a statement it was understood a further proposal was on the way from the company.

He stressed that New Zealand "encourages foreign investment," saying it created jobs and growth.

However acknowleding the issue was a potential minefield, he added, "But there are parts of New Zealand that cannot be for sale."

Paradoxically it was the government itself which sold Wairakei to U.S.-owned Southern Pacific Hotels earlier this year.

Until the row blew up, Wairakei did not appear to have any particular

significance. With its beautiful green, a nearby hotel and its location midway between Auckland and Wellington, it was simply known as a good and cheap place for a round of golf.

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#90274d3350 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (OCT. 1) - Singapore Telecom and Singapore International Airlines (Sia) must exploit the opportunities arising from the creation of a single European Community market in 1992, a European economist said Monday.

Dr. Jacques Pelkmans, a Senior Research Fellow at the Centre for European Policy Studies in Brussels, said the emerging E.C. telecommunications market, which was previously regulated, will be "huge and will become even bigger".

Pelkmans told reporters that Singapore Telecom, having done an excellent job here, "will be able to export to Europe its equipment and services".

The creation of the Single Market also means the possibility of Sia gaining greater access to European cities, with the liberalisation of the E.C. air transport industry after 1992.

On the prospects of Eastern Europe, Pelkmans said "there is a potential market for consumer goods such as compact discs, leather and sports equipment, and industrial products like footwear and pharmaceuticals".

But he warned Singapore companies "not to be too hasty in going into Eastern Europe because of the institutional backwardness there and lack of economic and political safeguards there".

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#90274d3390 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAPE TOWN (OCT. 1) - Broad divisions within Nelson Mandela's African National Congress manifested themselves at the weekend when the ANC held its first two regional congresses in the country in 30 years, ANC sources said.

In the Western Cape region, the main bone of contention was whether individuals should be allowed to hold leadership positions in both the ANC and its main ally, the South African Communist Party (SACP), the sources said.

But in the Pretoria-Witwatersrand-Vereenigin g (PWV) industrial region, which includes Johannesburg, heated exchanges took place on the question of the ANC's ongoing talks with the government.

A powerful faction wanted the ANC to break off the talks until the government had ended the violence currently ravaging black townships near Johannesburg, the sources told Agence France-Presse.

Fiery debate at a hall in Alexandra black township outside Johannesburg saw the congress eventully decide to refer all issues back to local branches for reconsideration.

Among other issues to be debated by the branches is a whether to back the NEC's August 6 announcement that it was suspending the ANC's 29-year armed struggle against the Pretoria government.

A related matter is the NEC's response to recent violence and government "Iron Fist" steps to end it.

Close on 800 people have being killed in pitched battles since August 13 in black townships surrounding Johannesburg between ANC-backed township residents and Zulu migrants loyal to Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom Party.

Mr. Mandela has sharply criticised the government's steps to curb the bloodletting, including curfews and the fitting of light machine-guns to police vehicles, as designed to protect the security forces and not residents.

And young ANC "comrades", who have been at the forefront of many of the clashes, have called on the organization to supply them with arms and to mobilise its army, Umkhonto we Sizwe, into defence units.

But sources said the issue likely to cause the most heated debate when PWV delegates meet again on October 27 and 28 is a growing clamour from rank-and-file members for the removal of Mr. Mandela's controversial wife Winnie from the post of head of the ANC's welfare department.

Mrs. Mandela, who is a qualified social worker but who has not practised her profession for years, was appointed by the ANC leadership to the post in July, a move which angered ANC social workers and led to accusations of nepotism.

An Attorney General decision on September 17 to prosecute her in connection with the kidnapping and assault of murdered child activist Stompie Moeketsi Seipei has added to fears that the integrity of the profession will be harmed.

At Bellville near here, meanwhile, a looming split between the ANC and the SACP in the Western Cape region was averted at a two-day congress when senior SACP official Cheryl Carolus pulled out of the leadership battle.

After long-time ANC activist Christmas Tinto eventually emerged as ANC president for the region, the congress passed a resolution reaffirming "the fighting alliance between the ANC and the SACP".

The two organisations, which have together formed the backbone of the struggle against the white minority Pretoria government's race policies, were legalised in February after bans lasting 30 years for the ANC and 40 years for the SACP.

Nine key SACP officials, including general secretary Joe Slovo, hold posts on the ANC's National Executive Committee (NEC) and Mr. Mandela, ANC Deputy President, has repeatedly stressed the close ties between the two movements.

Less controversial measures, adopted by the Western Cape delegates and likely to be endorsed those in the PWV, include the establishment of an ANC radio station and newspaper inside the country, and a decision to back conservation of the environment as national ANC policy.

The Western Cape congress also resolved to launch a campaign against the violence it said the government and "third forces" were unleashing.

Mr. Mandela, who claims that "death squads" comprising rightwingers and members of the security forces are orchestrating the violence, has asked the government for an urgent "summit" on the issue with the ANC this week.

The campaign would involve setting up "defense committees" and would culminate in a mass march and rally in Cape Town on November 4, the Western Cape congress resolution said.

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#90274d3410 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Tel Aviv (OCT. 1) - A military court Monday found four soldiers guilty of causing grievous bodily harm to two Palestinians at the start of the intifada in October 1987.

Military observers said the ruling could have dire consequences for senior army officers and former defence minister Itzhak Rabin who were implicated in giving what the court termed ''willfully illegal orders''.

In an 80-page verdict the Southen District Military court found the soldiers had beaten two Palestinians in Gaza's El Bureij refugee camp in the first weeks of the intifada, one of whom later died.

The court said the four defendants, including a major and lieutenant, had complied with or issued clearly illegal orders and they now face maximum sentences of 20 years, if their planned appeal is rejected. The sentence is due to be handed down on October 24.

Evidence given during the protracted trial implicated senior military officers and Rabin in the orders to beat Palestinians as punishment for participating in disturbances, and the guilty verdict immediately led for calls for their prosecution.

Left-wing lawmakers Yossi Sarid and Dedi Zucker of the Citizen's Rights Movement called on the army's advocate general Brigadier Amnon Strasnov to open

investigations against the senior figures, while Ya'ir Tsaban of the socialist Mapam faction told Israel Radio that the verdict ''opened a pandora's box'' which would implicate the army's top officers until the truth was revealed.

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#90274d3440 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
COLOMBO (OCT. 1) - A fresh wave of violence in eastern Sri Lanka left at least 14 people dead including nine civilians, as Colombo lifted a curfew in the rebel stronghold of northern Jaffna, officials said Monday.

Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) rebels killed nine Sinhalese villagers early Monday in eastern Ampara district, a military spokesman here said, adding that government troops shot dead five guerrillas in the region.

Heavily armed rebels raided the Sinhalese village of Peruwalatalawa and killed six men, two women and a child, the spokesman said. Three others were admitted to hospital.

An official said the LTTE split into two groups to enable one gang to fight off the homeguards - Colombo-armed and trained villagers - while the other carried out the attack.

Colombo has charged the Tigers with killing hundreds of Sinhalese civilians since 1983 when a separatist campaign by activists within the minority Tamil community developed into bloody ethnic violence.

The Sinhalese, who constitute more than 70 percent of Sri Lanka's 16 million population, are in the minority in the northeast where one third of the island's one million Moslems also live.

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#90274d3660 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Teheran (OCT. 1) - The Teheran newspaper Jomhoori Islami said Monday the death threat against Indian-born British author Salman Rushdie is unchanged despite the normalisation of relations between England and Iran.

The paper stressed that Iran has not retracted a single move, but that London had been forced to back down having recognised that it was isolated.

''The Britons must appreciate the real value of this opportunity,'' the paper commented. It was now up to Britain to demonstrate that it sincerely wanted a better relationship with Iran.

The late Iranian religious leader, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, sentenced Rushdie to death in Februry 1989 for his novel The Satanic Verses which many Moslems considered to be blasphemous. Rushdie has been in hiding since.

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#90274d3900 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (OCT. 1) - The European Economic Community on Monday accused Washington of dragging its feet in international negotiations on liberalising air and sea transport.

European Commission vice-president Frans Andriessen pointed out that it was the United States which had called for a liberalisation of international trade in services from the start of the current General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) talks in 1986.

"You can judge our surprise, therefore, to be told at this late stage by the U.S. representatives that some services sectors may have to be excluded from the toughest disciplines of most favoured nations and national treatment," Mr. Andriessen said in speech to be given in New York, a text of which was released here.

The clause on most favoured nation status implies that an advantage offered one country must be offered to all others, while that of national treatment says that EEC companies, for example, would receive the same treatment in the United States as their U.S. competitors.

Mr. Andriessen, who heads the EEC delegation in the Uruguay Round of GATT talks, due to end in December, also urged in his speech to the U.S. Council for International Business that Washington make more effort to open its markets.

He called for measures similar to those to be taken by the EEC in telecommunications, public contracts and standards.

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#90274d3920 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT. 1) - Thirty-two Chinese refugees who fled after the Tienanmen Square massacre of June 1989 and have been living in hiding in Britain for four months may remain here pending a ruling on their request for asylum, the Home Office announced Monday.

They arrived from Panama last May, and the Home Office initially demanded they be sent back there. It reversed the ruling after the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees intervened.

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#90274d4130 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 1) - Premier Li Peng, pegged by many as the fall guy for the Beijing massacre and for China's economic stagnation, has defied the odds and

his critics to survive at the top.

Strangely, the man held largely responsible for his country's international isolation because of his role in the June 1989 crackdown now appears to be one of the main beneficiaries of Beijing's return to respectability.

China has gained much by its support for U.N. resolutions against Iraq and by its conciliatory gestures towards a settlement to the Cambodian conflict.

As top leader Deng Xiaoping fades from power at the age of 86, the 62-year-old Mr. Li is emerging as a key figure in a triumvirate joining him with President Yang Shangkun and Communist Party General Secretary Jiang Zemin.

The authorities continue to portray Mr. Jiang, an apparatchik largely devoid of charisma, as the core of the leadership, but conflicting stances taken by various officials attest to a continuing power struggle.

"In a democracy, Mr. Li would find himself in an untenable position because he is extremely unpopular," a Western diplomat said.

But his presence in the leadership is directly linked with the Beijing regime's survival. He is still assured, at least for now, of support from the communist old guard that is convinced of socialism's supremacy.

With memories still fresh of pro-democracy protestors calling for Mr. Li's resignation last year, his benefactors are still eager to make sure the premier is not ridiculed, as a recent slip-up revealed.

At the Asian Games opening here September 22, millions of Chinese television viewers saw an embarrassed Mr. Li caught on camera without his own "Pan Pan," the Games panda mascot, unlike the other leaders in the official grandstand.

Two days later, the media in a country where symbols often carry more weight than words found it necessary to explain why Mr. Li was caught without his own Pan Pan.

Mr. Li was not forgotten when the stuffed mascots were being passed out, the media said, he simply gave his panda to someone else.

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#90274d4150 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 1) - Unified Germany will use about 20 Soviet-made MiG 29 jet fighters now belonging to the East German air force, the West German ministry announced on Monday.

But no other East German fighter plane will be integrated into the German air force, the ministry said.

It said 35,000 officers and troops from the East German army will be integrated into the unified German armed forces.

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#90274d4170 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 1) - British retail sales fell two percent in August from the July level, the Central Statistical Office said Monday, revising an initial estimate of a 1.6 percent fall.

The revised figure gave a year on year rise of only 0.1 percent, against an initial estimate of a 0.4 percent increase.

The stagnation in retail sales under the weight of interest rates at 15 per cent which have been in place for almost a year have reined in a trend of rapidly-rising consumer spending.

Retail sales rose six percent in volume terms in 1986, 6.2 percent in 1987, 5.4 percent in 1988 and only two percent last year.

But the retail sales figures take into account only about a third of household spending and do not include money spent on buying cars or on services.

According to other official figures released Monday, consumer credit issued in August stood at 3.7 billion pounds (6.98 billion dollars), against 3.9 billion (7.35 billion dollars) in July.

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#90274d4290 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 1) - OPEC oil production rose 2.5 million barrels a day in September over the August level to 22.4 million barrels a day, virtually its level before the loss of Iraqi and Kuwaiti production to the market, a specialist review said Monday.

The 22.4 million bd output was close to the 22.5 million bd production ceiling set by the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2 sparked international sanctions, depriving the market of some four million barrels a day.

The estimates in the specialist review Petrostrategies published in Paris were higher than September figures from the International Energy Agency (IEA), which put OPEC output at 22 million bd, against 19.9 million in August.

"Some countries are doing better than was expected a few weeks ago," Petrostrategies said.

It cited notably Nigeria whose production had risen from 1.8 million bd to 1.95 million and could hit two million in the final quarter of the year,

Iran with production up to 3.4 million bd in September from 2.9 million in July and the United Arab Emirates, above two million bd and capable of going higher.

Saudi Arabia's current 7.5 million bd could rise to 7.7 million in the fourth quarter, Petrostrategies said.

OPEC production could be between 22.2 and 22.8 million bd in October-December, it added.

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#90274d4440 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 1) - From January 1, 1991, all Tokyo's current seven-digit telephone numbers will be preceded by the number 3, the Nippon Telegraph and Telephone (NTT) company said here Monday.

NTT said the change was necessary to keep up with demand.

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#90274d4450 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (OCT.1) - Czechoslovakia will shortly establish diplomatic relations with Saudi Arabia, President Vaclav Havel said Monday.

Mr. Havel also said he had invited the Emir of Kuwait Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah to visit Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Havel, speaking to journalists, said he had agreed to establish diplomatic ties with Saudi Arabia during a meeting with Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal at the United Nations' World Summit for Children in New York where he also met the exiled Kuwaiti leader.

Sheikh Jaber has been in exile since the Iraqi invasion of his country on August 2.

"This diplomatic move is important for our country for obvious reasons," said President Havel alluding to his country's oil supply problems.

President Havel recently announced that Czechoslovakia was ready to send 170 chemical warfare specialists to back the international troop deployment in Saudi Arabia.

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#90274d4460 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 1) - Brent North Sea crude prices slipped back in London on Monday on profit-taking in the wake of last week's rise to their highest levels in 10 years as a result of the Gulf crisis, dealers said.

Brent for November delivery was quoted at 38.75 dollars a barrel in early afternoon trading, against 39.45 dollars at Friday's close.

Signs that the United States and the International Energy Agency (IEA) were ready to take compensatory measures if an oil shortage materialised had probably contributed to the fall, said Simon Irwin of Kleinwort Benson.

U.S. President George Bush said last week that he would release five million barrels of U.S.-held strategic stocks in an exercise aimed mainly at ensuring that the mechanism for releasing such stocks worked well.

The IEA meanwhile urged its members at a meeting last week to be ready to draw on their stocks if supplies fell short.

A slight easing of fears on developments in the Gulf crisis after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein called for dialogue to seek a realistic and equitable solution was also a contributory factor in the easing of Brent prices.

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#90274d4500 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (OCT. 1) - Hundreds of prisoners are to be freed in Nigeria to mark the 30th anniversary of the country's independence from British rule on October 1, 1960, the authorities have announced.

The military governor of Lagos state, Colonel Raji Rasaki, has already set free 244 prisoners, the local press said here Monday.

The government of Oyo state has announced it is to free another 67 convicts, and the remaining 19 states in Nigeria are expected to follow suit, the press reports said.

But the federal government of General Ibrahim Babangida is keeping the independence celebrations low-key.

The general said in a radio and television address Monday: "We have a long way to go to rid our land of poverty, inequality, ethnicity and bigotry."

The official newspaper New Nigerian took a similar tone in a front-page editorial. "Thirty years after throwing off the yoke of British imperialism, there is little to celebrate," it said.

The newspaper went on: "The fact that the country is still an indivisible

territorial entity is remarkable judging from the grim trials and travails of nationhood ... civil war, communal riots, religious intolerance, coups."

But the New Nigerian added that this achievement paled into insignificance compared to the "ethnicity, religious intolerance, bureaucratic graft, all orchestrated by a self-serving elite" that had characterised the last 30 years.

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#90274d4510 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (OCT. 1) - A second round of municipal elections will have to be organised in Hungary's major cities because the turnout in Sunday's vote failed to reach the required 40 percent minimum.

There will be no minimum turnout requirement in the second round likely to be held in mid-October.

In most of the country's 2,930 cities of less than 10,000 residents, however, turnout was high enough at an average 47 percent for the election to be valid so no second round will be necessary. In these cities, independent candidates gained 80 percent of the vote.

Political commentators said the result was a double failure for Prime Minister Jozsef Antall's Democratic Forum which failed to mobilise the electorate behind its privatization policies and lost ground to the SZDSZ, the alliance of free democrats.

The SZDSZ won some 17 percent of the vote against the 15 percent won by the Democratic Forum, according to early returns.

In Budapest, where a turnout of just 37.4 percent invalidated the election, the SZDSZ won 31.43 percent ahead of Democratic Forum's 24.85 percent and the Young Democrats 17.67 percent.

Observers said the low turnout pointed to Hungarians' boredom with politics and their irritation at the country's continuing high rate of inflation. Although turnout was massive in the nation's first free elections last March which toppled the communist party, most Hungarians have not seen any improvement in their living conditions since then.

For many, life is more expensive -- a new round of price increases for basic necessities was introduced Monday -- and their wages have not risen.

An SZDSZ spokesman, philosopher Jan Kis, called on "all political parties to reflect on the lessons of this election, the repercussions of which could jeopardize the legitimacy of our democratic instutions."

Mr. Kis said that in small towns "the choice was more personal and the stakes

much higher."

A Democratic Forum leader, Sandor Lezsak, stressed the problems faced by Hungary's "infant democracy" explaining that Hungarians who lived under an authoritarian regime for 40 years did not yet know what local government was about.

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#90274d4660 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (OCT 1) - The Danish budget for 1991 will show almost double the originally-forecast deficit as a result of the Gulf crisis and international economic stagnation, the finance ministry said here Monday.

The 1991 deficit will be between 12 billion and 15 billion kroner (two billion to 2.5 billion dollars) higher than the 16.1 billion kroner (2.7 billion dollars) forecast before the Gulf crisis began to bite.

The new forecast sets the deficit at between 28 billion and 31 billion kroner (4.6 billion and 5.1 billion dollars), but the ministry warned it could be as high as 38 billion kroner (6.3 billion dollars) if proposed savings of 7.7 billion kroner are not achieved.

The budget is expected to show a deficit of between 22 billion and 24 billion kroner (3.6 billion and four billion dollars) this year.

Finance Minister Henning Dyremose was quoted however as saying in an interview published Monday that the deficit "should not blind us and prevent us from realising that the Danish economy is healthy and on the right track."

Calling for tight control of public spending, Mr. Dyremose said that the government "would energetically pursue moves to restore the health of the public sector" through redundancies and early retirement even at a time of increasing unemployment.

The national statistics institute said Monday that the level of unemployment had risen to 9.9 percent in August against 9.7 percent in July and 9.4 per cent in August last year, according to seasonally-adjusted figures.

Prime Minister Poul Schluter has threatened to call an early election if parliament votes even a small increase in public spending when it votes on the budget in December.

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#90274d4670 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) - America West Airlines announced Monday it had signed contracts for the acquisition of up to 118 Airbus A320s, a deal potentially

worth more than two billion dollars.

The U.S. carrier said in a statement it had arranged for firm orders to be placed for 48 of the fuel-efficient, European-built aircraft, with options for another 44.

Besides America West, parties to the transaction include Airbus Industries, Guiness Peat Aviation (GPA), Kawasaki Enterprises amd International Aero Engines (IAE).

All of the A320s will be equipped with IAE V2500 engines, and seat 148 passengers.

America West plans to have A320s in service by January 1991 and to have 16 of them in the air by the middle of next year, all of them leased from GPA, an aircraft leasing company based in Ireland.

An additional ten aircraft will be leased from a GPA affiliate.

Kawasaki will act as financial lessor for 24 of the A320s on firm order, to be delivered between 1992 and 1996.

Delivery of the remaining A320s will be begin in 1996.

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#90274d4830 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 1) - Copper prices were on a downward path here Monday, on concern at the extent of the coming slowdown in world economic activity, traders said.

Three months' copper was quoted at 1,432 pounds per ton in after hours kerb trading, unchanged from afternoon ring deals and against 1,462 on Friday.

Sterling's strength against a weaker dollar contributed to the gain for the pound-quoted metal.

Lead, also quoted in sterling, fell to 417 pounds per ton on the kerb against 416 on the ring and 424 on Friday.

Nickel weakened, quoting at 9,550 dollars per ton on the kerb against 9,480 on the ring and 9,775 on Friday, but aluminium held relatively steady, quoting at 1,830 dollars per ton on the kerb against 1,828 on the ring and 1,825 on Friday.

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#90274d4860 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (OCT 1) - Zambian pro-democracy activists, campaigning for the right to form a political party, on Monday accused police of bias for refusing to issue them permits to hold political meetings.

Vernon Mwaanga, spokesman for the Movement for Multi-Party Democracy (MMD), warned of civil disobedience if their campaign continued to be frustrated.

Earlier this month, Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda announced that multi-party elections would be held next year in this hitherto one-party state.

But Mr. Mwaanga said the authorities were preventing opposition groupings from holding meetings to organise for the elections.

He told journalists that a MMD meeting at the weekend had to be moved to another venue because of police pressure, and that police had refused permits for meetings to local committees in several parts of the country.

Under Zambia's state of emergency, meetings of more than five people require police permission.

"The police are acting on the instruction of UNIP (the ruling United National Independence Party of Mr. Kaunda). We condemn this reversal of the move towards democracy," he said.

If this continued, he said, "our people will feel frustrated and it will be very difficult for us to prevent them from embarking on a course of civil disobedience."

The MMD is due to hold a convention this weekend at Lusaka's Mulungushi conference hall to discuss forming a party. But Mr. Mwaanga said UNIP party officials had urged the hall's management to cancel the venue.

He added that his movement would demand the formation of an interim government to supervise the forthcoming elections. "We do not trust the UNIP government to oversee free and fair elections," he said.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 1) - The Russian Federation, the largest Soviet republic, has decided to delay the implementation of its radical reforms to introduce a market economy, faced with confusion on the issue in the Soviet parliament, it was reported here Monday.

The Federation had said that its "500-day" plan to move from a planned to a market economy would begin October 1.

But the republic's deputy prime minister Gennadi Filchin told the unofficial

news agency Interfax on Monday that the Russian Federation parliament had been "forced" to delay the programme until November 1.

Russian Federation President Boris Yeltsin and his advisers have apparently stepped down in the face of the problems they would face if they pushed ahead with the republic's reforms while at national level the picture remains confused, with the Soviet parliament having failed to reach agreement.

As disagreement over whether to adopt more radical reforms supported by President Mikhail Gorbachev or a more moderate programme put forward by the governmnt of Nikolai Ryzhkov continued last week, the Soviet parliament gave Mr. Gorbachev decree-making powers to push ahead with reforms.

But parliament has also been asked to come up with a compromise formula combining elements of the radical plan and the government proposal.

If the Russian Federation had gone ahead with its reforms from Monday as originally planned, an area which has two thirds of the country's resources, companies and population would have been operating out of step with the national government on such basic economic matters as pricing, privatisation of companies and of land, and the tax system.

The federation parliament has not formally voted on the postponement, but will do so this week, spokesman Mikhail Poltoranin said.

The republic's prime minister, Ivan Silayev, will put to deputies on Saturday a series of measures aimed at stabilising the economy and a law on property is in preparation, the official TASS news agency said Monday.

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#90274d4900 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CLARK AIR BASE, Philippines (OCT. 1) - The Philippine military stepped up security Monday around two U.S. military bases in response to a strike by 22,000 Filipino civilian workers, official sources said.

U.S. military spokesmen said Clark Air Base and Subic Naval Base were operating normally, even though one American serviceman had been attacked by strikers Saturday.

At Subic Naval Base west of here, violence erupted less than two hours after the strike began late Saturday when a group of strikers attacked an off-duty American serviceman who had jeered at the pickets, witnesses said.

The unidentified soldier was rushed to the base hospital with a bloodied face, they added.

Philippine military officials said uniformed security men and intelligence

operatives had been deployed in all picket sites to stop any attempt by communist insurgents to infiltrate the strikers' ranks and instigate violence.

Communist insurgents, who oppose the presence of U.S. bases in this country, have threatened to mount attacks against the bases in the past. They have killed eight U.S. military personnel since 1987 and bombed a U.S. radio transmitting tower near Clark last month.

The military also said two platoons of troops had been dispatched to Clark to augment existing joint U.S.-Philippine patrols of the base perimeter.

"Hopefully the strike will be short, but all U.S. facilities have contingency plans and all missions will continue to be carried out," Lieutenant Commander Kevin McCrea, spokesman for the U.S. Pacific Command, said.

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#90274d4920 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (OCT 1) - A Soviet nuclear bomb has remained in its underground shaft for nearly a year after a test was postponed four times, the environmental movement Greenpeace claimed in a statement here Monday.

One of its protest ships, Greenpeace, is in the Soviet port of Arkangelsk before sailing Tuesday for the nuclear test site at the Arctic island of Novaya Zemlya.

Greenpeace New Zealand, in a statement quoting protest coordinator Steve Shallhorn aboard Greenpeace, said the weapon has been in an underground shaft since December 1989.

"Tests originally scheduled for December 1989, March 1990, May 1990 and September 1990 were all cancelled for a variety of political reasons, including the Washington and Helsinki summit meetings," the statement said.

"There is a nuclear explosion just waiting to happen out there," it quoted Mr. Shallhorn as saying. "Now our ship will be sailing to Novaya Zemlya in the hope of stopping nuclear testing forever."

Greenpeace said test devices are transported by plane to the island's airport at Belushya.

"When a test is imminent, two civilian vessels operated by the Arkangelsk Shipping Company leave port and sail to Novaya Zemlya," the statement said.

"The two ships, Bukowina and Tartaria, are prepared to evacuate the base personnel in the event of a release of radioactivity."

Until 1989 Soviet tests were held at Semipalatinsk in Kazakhstan, although

local opposition prompted the government to close the site by 1993, it said.

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#90274d4930 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT 1) - French auto maker Renault warned Monday that it was expecting this year's results to be much poorer than those of 1989, when it made a net consolidated profit of 9.29 billion francs (1.75 billion dollars).

Renault president Raymond Levy would not give detailed figures but said that profit would be down by "more than eight percent" and "no doubt comparable with that of Volkswagen."

The West German auto maker said last month that its profit fell 16.5 per- cent in the first half of this year over the same period of 1989.

Mr. Levy said the French group's poor performance came from problems specifically linked to Renault, saying it was facing difficulties in Spain, Colombia and Argentina.

He also cited Renault's goods vehicles division's bid to acquire 100 per cent of its U.S. subsidiary Mack Trucks -- which Renault said Monday had succeeded - and the fall of the truck market in the United States and Europe.

The new Renault Clio car had also involved heavy investment, and the market for the Renault 5 had suffered as many customers had preferred not to buy the latter, waiting instead for the new model to come onto the market.

The company was expecting the auto market to shrink by between three and five percent next year "but the future does not worry me," Mr. Levy said.

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#90274d4990 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (OCT 1) - A former Kenyan information minister Monday blasted a group of British MPs for saying they saw no evidence of political turbulence on a recent visit to Kenya, charging they had been "led by the nose."

Ramoki Achieng Oneko, in a letter to five Labour MPs who came here last month, said: "The Kenyan people were amazed at your statements which in effect alleged that Kenya is a peaceful place and that there is no tension because you did not see roadblocks or troops on the streets."

Anti-government riots erupted here in July after opposition figures who had led calls for multi-party democracy in one-party Kenya were detained without trial. At least 22 people were killed.

Mr. Oneko told the MPs that they had been brought here "for a propaganda

campaign and tour," and had been "dishonourably led by the nose on a fact-finding mission."

One of the MPs, Frank Haynes, was quoted in press reports here as saying on his return to London that "the situation as we saw it, admittedly from a government perspective, belied many of the stories we had read in the foreign news media."

Mr. Oneko, however, said: "The present situation in Kenya is that there is no accountability in government and therefore no democracy." The MPs had been misled into thinking Kenya was calm because the opposition "has always strived for peaceful change," he said.

He said he was writing to the MPs "as a prisoner of conscience having spent one quarter of my lifetime in gaol without trial."

He was first detained in 1969 after resigning his cabinet post to join former vice-president Oginga Odinga's opposition Kenya People's Union, which was later banned.

"I am still a prisoner of conscience because I am still a victim of injustice and political oppression," he said.

President Daniel arap Moi's government, he said, was guilty of "corruption, violation of human rights, rigging of elections and general political and economic mismanagement."

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#90274d5070 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT 1) - "Unreasonable demands" by the Justice Department are delaying the return to South Africa of up to 30,000 exiled members of Nelson Mandela's African National Congress, a senior ANC source said Monday.

Under the August 6 Pretoria Minute accord between the white minority government and the black nationalist ANC, exiles scattered across Africa are from October 1 to be granted special indemnity from prosecution for previous crimes against the state -- including leaving the country illegally.

On Sunday, Mr. Mandela told a press conference at his home in Soweto that he did not expect exiles to start returning in large numbers.

"The government does expect to be supplied with certain information on each exile (to enable) it to make a decision on that exile," he said.

But the source told Agence France-Presse that the "certain information" referred to by Mr. Mandela is in fact the subject of heated talks between an ANC working group and the Justice Department.

He said the department appeared to be deliberately ignoring a clause in the Minute which allows indemnity to be dealt with "in categories of people and not on an individual basis".

"It is demanding that each exile complete a form which requires detailed information as to the exile's past, in which unit of the ANC he or she was trained and what he or she did before leaving the country," the source said.

"The ANC cannot allow that details relating to our organisation be divulged in such depth."

From 1960 when it was banned until February 2 this year when President Frederik de Klerk lifted the ban, the ANC operated in exile -- mainly from Zambia and other sympathetic neighbouring African states.

In this time, thousands of mainly-young black South Africans fled South Africa to join the organisation, many to be trained as guerrillas in the ANC's army, Umkhonto we Sizwe.

But, the source said, the Justice Department had yet to approve the return of a single person on a list of 3,000 names submitted to it by the ANC two weeks ago.

"The exiles are impatient to return. They just want to come home," he said.

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#90274d5120 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK,United Nations (OCT 1) - President George Bush Monday proposed the creation of a U.N. body to assist the holding of free elections around the world.

"I propose that the United Nations establish a Special Coordinator for Electoral Assistance, to be assisted by a U.N. Electoral Commission comprised of distinguished experts from arund the world, Mr. Bush told the General Assembly session here.

"Free elections are the foundation of democratic government, and can produce dramatic successes, as we have seen in Namibia and Nicaragua," he said.

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#90274d5140 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (OCT 1) - Jordan banned trucks (lorries) bound for Saudi Arabia and other Gulf countries from crossing its territory from Monday in retaliation for harassment of Jordanian truckers (lorry drivers) at the Saudi border, authoritative sources said.

The Jordanian decision affects all heavy-duty trucks (lorries) transporting goods for Saudi Arabia and the Gulf states from Turkey by way of Syria, the sources said.

Jordan is on the route for the transshipment of goods from Europe to Saudi Arabia.

It is Amman's first move against Saudi Arabia which decided on September 19 to halt oil deliveries to Jordan and later expelled the Jordanian military attache and asked for a reduction of the Jordanian embassy staff in Riyadh.

Jordan responded by recalling its ambassador.

Amman has been subjected to punitive measures by Riyadh for its support of Baghdad in the wake of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The transport industry has been the most adversely affected by the Saudi measures.

On Sunday, authorities turned back at the border with Saudi Arabia 25 Jordanian refrigerated trucks (lorries) carrying mostly vegetables to the Gulf.

The heavy-duty haulage workers association said that only 10 per cent of the 1,000-truck (lorry) national fleet which served Saudi Arabia and the other Gulf states have been allowed to cross the border since the start of the Gulf crisis.

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#90274d5460 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (OCT 1) - Foreign Minister David Levy renewed Monday Israel's offer to negotiate directly with the Arabs, but said his country would not pay the price for a settlement of the Gulf crisis.

''The free world should know that Israel will not sacrifice its security as the price of United Nations decisions aimed at safeguarding their economic well-being and freedom,'' he told the U.N. General Assembly.

There have been various proposals in recent weeks, from Iraq and from would-be mediators, to settle the Arab-Israeli dispute, the crisis in the Gulf and other regional conflicts as a package.

Israel was prepared to negotiate without pre-conditions, even if a complete and immediate settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict was impossible. ''We call upon the Arab states to embark upon the road leading to peace and to advance towards it step by step,'' Levy said. More dpa jbp 011956 okt 90,?+:+: 7':140 4 i 158 dpa 112 sr 111 New YorkIsraelPolitics Israel offers to deal ... two

However he reiterated the Israel would not negotiate with the Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo). Levy said the Plo practised ''terror'' against Israeli civilians and even Palestinians.

The minister warned Iraq not to carry out its thretesfnrafcrmdtn were to launch such an assault, Israel's response would be ''harsh and painful''.

That did not take away the responsibility of the international community to take ''concerted measures, under the leadership of the United States, to quell this malignant regime which is spreading in the body of humanity'', Levy said.

He charged that both the West and the communist world had built Iraq up in the past. Israel had been guided ''by a farsighted political outlook'' when it sent warplanes nine years ago to destroy an Iraqi nuclear reactor thought to be part of a bomb-making plan.

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#90274d5490 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (OCT 1) - Prince Johnson, Liberia's self-proclaimed president and leader of one of two rival rebel armies, has taken over Monrovia's only five-star hotel after murdering the manager, the Nigerian news agency NAN reported on Monday.

Until then, the hotel had been left unscathed through several months of bloody fighting between forces of the late president Samuel Doe and rebel forces.

Prince Johnson, who proclaimed himself president after his forces captured and killed president Doe on September 9, burst into Hotel African a few days ago and shot dead several members of the staff without more ado, NAN said.

He then named a new manager in the person of his girlfriend Julie and downgraded the incumbent manager Michael Doe (no relation to the ex-president) to be her assistant, NAN said.

Johnson then turned his attention to the hotel safe after being assured by Julie that it contained 2.5 million dollars. However on finding only 500 dollars inside, Johnson took the manager up to the fourth floor where he shot him with a burst of machine-gun fire and threw the body out of the window, NAN said.

Prince Johnson heads a breakaway faction of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia whose leader Charles Taylor launched the nine-month-old civil war against the Doe regime.

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#90274d5590 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (OCT 1) - In a final step to German unity, Soviet, U.S., British and French foreign ministers signed a document here Monday renouncing the last remnants of their authority over the two Germanys.

First to sign the agreement was the education minister of East Germany, Hans Joachim Meyer. With less than 30 hours to go before East Germany ceases to exist, the formerly communist nation has no foreign minister any more.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd, French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas and West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher then signed and toasted in sparkling wine.

The New York document applies de-facto parts of the treaty of German unity signed last month in Moscow ending the special powers enjoyed by the victors of World War Two.

The declaration suspending the application of Four-Power rights and responsibilities takes immediate effect while the Moscow treaty does not become legally binding until it has been ratified some time next year by the parliaments of a united Germany and the four powers.

East Germany is to become part of the Federal Republic of Germany as of Wednesday this week, with Genscher foreign minister of all Germany. The last East German foreign minister resigned in a cabinet quarrel and was never replaced.

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#90274d5740 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (OCT 1) - At least 13 people were killed and 36 wounded on Monday as shots were fired at demonstrators in northern Beirut, medical sources said.

The protestors were demanding the lifting of a blockade imposed by the government of President Elias Harawi on the country's Christian region.

A television station backing the rival administration of General Michel Aoun accused the Lebanese Forces militia of firing artillery, mortar and anti-aircraft weapons against civilians who carried torches and waved Lebanese flags.

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#90274d5820 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MARCH AIR FORCE BASE, California (OCT 1) - The retired U.S. Air Force general who gave the orders to drop atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki died Monday at the age of 83.

Curtis LeMay, who directed the air attack on Japan at the end of World War II, said later be believed the atomic bombs had not been necessary to force Japan's surrender.

He died of a heart attack at the 22nd Strategic Hospital at March Air Force Base, said Sergeant Steve Mahnke.

"We felt that our incendiary bombings had been so successful that Japan would collapse before we invaded," he said in 1985.

The United States could have defeated Japan in "a few more days" with continued firebombing instead of dropping atomic bombs, he said, but then-president Harry Truman "told me to do it."

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#90274d6120 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT 1) - Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak claimed in an interview broadcast here Monday that secret contacts were taking place between Israel and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Mubarak told the French channel La Cinq that Iraq's occupation of Kuwait gave Israel an excuse to refuse to withdraw from Lebanon, the West Bank and Gaza. A script of the interview was released in advance.

Saddam had made no effort to solve the Palestinian problem. The arguments he used to justify the Iraqi presence in Kuwait enabled the Israelis to say that they would not withdraw from Lebanon.

''We all know that he has secret contacts with Israel,'' said Mubarak. He did not cite any evidence for this.

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#90274d6380 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT 1) - The White House is urging Congress to temporarily lift a requirement that Pakistan forgo developing nuclear weapons as a condition for receiving U.S. aid, sources said Monday.

The White House hopes Pakistani elections slated for October 24 will usher in a new government that will curb or roll back Pakistan's nuclear weapons program, said administration and congressional sources who spoke on condition of anonymity.

But legislators in the House of Representatives, including foreign aid subcommittee chairman David Obey, a Wisconsin Democrat, were cool to the request.

U.S. aid to Pakistan that last year totalled 580 million dollars technically ended Monday, the beginning of the 1991 fiscal year, because Mr. Bush had not certified that Pakistan does not possess a nuclear bomb.

Legislative sources with access to top Pakistani officials said there were fears that Pakistan had produced enriched uranium that could be used for a bomb -- the point that many consider the tripwire for ending aid to Pakistan.

The waiver would mean "we are, in effect, announcing to the world that Pakistan has nuclear weapons, and we just don't care," said Leonard Spector, a weapons proliferation anaylyst at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

The White House is looking for a six-month to year-long waiver, according to one official, and hopes to raise the issue as part of the Senate's foreign aid bill on Tuesday, or failing that, as part of another bill.

The administration hopes the hiatus would allow the United States time to "set up a dialoge with the new government," an administration official said.

The government of Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was dissolved by the country's president on August 6 amid charges of corruption, ending her 20-month rule.

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#90274d6440 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (OCT 1) - A ministerial meeting of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) opened here Monday with U.S. President George Bush calling for the creation of "a new transatlantic partnership."

This meeting is setting the stage for a November CSCE summit in Paris designed to set the strategic foundations for a new Europe.

"Our challenge now is to keep pace with the tremendous political transformations that have changed the face of Europe -- to create a CSCE that can consolidate these great gains for freedom and bring East and West together " Mr. Bush said as he opened the conference.

Representatives from 35 countries -- all of Europe except Albania, plus the United States and Canada -- are considering an array of proposals aimed at strengthening and institutionalizing the CSCE.

Mr. Bush supported recommendations calling for a center for the prevention of conflict to reduce the risk of war by accident or miscalculation, a permanent secretariat, and creating an elections office and a parliament.

He urged the negotiators to redouble their efforts to reach an agreement to

reduce conventional forces in Europe (CFE) and have it ready for signing for the November 19-21 CSCE summit in Paris.

Soviet Foreign Mininster Eduard Shevardnadze meanwhile told reporters after a meeting with Mr. Bush that he was optimistic about prospects for a strategic arms limitation treaty (START).

"It is my feeling that some of the major START issues will be resolved even while I'm here in New York," said Mr. Shevardnadze.

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#90274d6500 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OTTAWA (OCT. 2) - The Canadian Government introduced a bill in the House of Commons Monday to privatize Petro-Canada, Canada's second-biggest petroleum firm.

Regulatory Affairs Minister of State John McDermid said a first offering of 15 per cent of the firm's shares would go on the market, but probably not till next year.

The bill would ensure that 75 percent of the shares are held by Canadians, and that no individual could hold more than 10 percent of the shares.

Petro-Canada, which had a turnover last year of 6.8 billion dollars (5.88 billion U.S.) was created in 1975 after the first oil crisis to increase Canada's participation in an industry largely dominated by U.S. firms.

It ranks between Imperial Oil, the biggest petroleum firm here, and Shell Canada.

The Progressive Conservative Party of Prime Minister Brian Mulroney has privatized 18 state firms since 1984, including Air Canada.

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#90274d6510 10/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 2) - The board of directors of Polly Peck International admitted on Monday that the British conglomerate was suffering from liquidity problems, in the first statement released by the group since trading in its shares was suspended on the London Stock Exchange on September 20.

The board nonetheless declared itself certain that the group's growth prospects would be fully reestablished once the cash-flow problems were resolved.

The sixteen page statement, which a Polly Peck spokesman said had been accepted by the Stock Exchange, said that the board "is not aware of any

business reason for the collapse of the share price of the company."

The statement also denied allegations that group chairman and chief executive Asil Nadir, a Turkish Cypriot-born businessman, had been involved in irregularities related to stock market transactions.

"The board is aware that many rumours circulated in the market during the course of the morning of September 20, ranging from a claim that Mr. Nadir had been assassinated to a suggestion that the company had lost a substantial amount of money in Turkish bonds, which was also untrue."

The board said that it was providing fraud investigators with information and documentation.

The board also said that no link existed between Polly Peck and South Audley Management, a company which administers the Nadir family interests and which has recently been the subject of an investigation by the Serious Fraud Office.

Earlier Monday, the Financial Times reported that Polly Peck was looking for a rescue package from Turkish banks to save it from a liquidity crisis.

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#90274e0005 10/01/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Seoul (OCT. 1) EFE - South Korean President Roh Tae Woo Monday said the establishment of full diplomatic ties with the Soviet Union signaled the beginning of the end of his country's cold war with North Korea.

"North Korea has come to the end of its isolationist policies, and it will not be able to resist the wave of change" taking place in the communist world, Roh said at an Armed Forces Day ceremony.

The foreign ministers of the Soviet Union and South Korea, Eduard Shevardnadze and Choi Ho-joong, announced Sunday at the United Nations that the two countries would cement their relations with the exchange of ambassadors next January.

The move was seen as a major blow for communist North Korea, which has opposed Moscow's move towards a rapprochement with Seoul.

Korea was divided at the end of World War II with Soviet forces occupying the north and U.S. forces in the south, and Moscow supported North Korea in the 1950-53 war with U.S.-backed South Korea.

The Soviet Union and South Korea began working towards normalizing relations last June when Roh met with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and agreed to set up economic ties.

The Soviet Union has sought to improve relations with South Korea in order to open up bilateral trade and economic cooperation to help revive the battered Soviet economy.

North Korean President Kim Il Sung, who had counted on Moscow and Beijing as being his main allies, felt threatened by the move and repeatedly expressed his irritation at the Soviet Union.

Meanwhile, trade links between South Korea and China have been increasing daily and there were rumors that in October the two countries might open commercial offices that would also act as consulates.

"Inter-Korean relations are about to reach a moment of change," Roh, who appeared to be satisfied at the results of his foreign policies, said Monday.

But he added that the South Korean Army had to remain on alert as +conflict and tension continue to cause problems for relations between Korea's divided parts+.

"We are doing everything possible to encourage North Korea to move towards an open world and go down the road of dialogue, exchange and cooperation," Roh said.

In mid October the two Korea's foreign ministers are due to meet for the second time in two months, following years of non-existent bilateral relations and broken communication.

The talks are being considered a milestone in reunification efforts.

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#90274e0016 10/01/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Beirut (OCT. 1) EFE - Lebanese Defense Minister Albert Mansur vowed Monday to step up a blockade against rebel Gen. Michel Aoun to force him to end his rebellion.

Mansur said the blockade was "the least-harmful measure for the population, because unlike bombardment it doesn't cause bloodshed".

President Elias Hrawi's government imposed the blockade Friday on the Aoun-controlled enclave of Christian East Beirut in a bid to starve the rebels into surrendering.

Government troops have cut off all traffic going into the enclave, except vehicles belonging to the Red Cross, diplomats, or parliamentarians.

On Sunday, some 15,000 Aoun supporters demonstrated in front of the Baabda Presidential Palace, where the general is quartered, to protest the blockade.

The measure has caused an acute shortage of fuel supplies and drastic food price increases in East Beirut, as well as heavy emigration from the enclave.

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#90274e0018 10/01/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SAO PAULO (OCT. 1) EFE - Unidentified attackers shot dead a candidate for the Sao Paulo state legislature, the second person to die by gunfire in the campaign for this week's legislative elections, Brazilian police said Monday.

Francisco Cassiano Silva, 38, a candidate of the conservative Progressive Republican Party, was killed Sunday as he entered his office.

His bodyguard, who was wounded in an arm, said the candidate had received death threats by telephone last week.

Cassiano Silva had campaigned as the "people's whip in the Legislative Assembly" and had backed rightist candidate Paulo Maluf for governor of Sao Paulo state.

On Saturday, one person was killed when an unidentified gunman fired indiscrimately at a rally for Sen. Mario Covas, candidate for governor of Sao Paulo for the Brazilian Social Democratic Party.

Elections are scheduled for Wednesday to choose the deputies to the National Congress, a third of the 72-member Senate, and governors and legislatures of Brazil's 26 states.

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#90274e0019 10/01/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MEXICO CITY (OCT. 1) EFE - Two small children were killed when a huge swarm of African "killer" bees invaded a playground in the southern Mexican state of Veracruz at the weekend, news reports said Monday.

They said two small boys, aged four and seven, were killed in the town of Tesonapa, where barnyard animals were also stung to death by the million-strong horde.

It was the first fatal bee attack reported since July, when the bodies of a rider and his horse were found in the nearby state of Guerrero. Each had been stung over a thousand times.

Authorities in the Pacific beach resort city of Acapulco, which is also located in Guerrero state, have begun an extensive spraying program to prevent the swarms from forming.

The aggressive, hard-to-kill African insects have been migrating slowly northward since they were introduced to Brazil in the mid-1970s in an attempt to cross-breed them with native insect varieties.

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#90274h0070 10/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO, (OCT. 1) XINHUA - OMAN HAS DECIDED TO BOOST ITS OIL PRODUCTION BY A 6 PERCENT INCREASE TO HELP CURB OIL PRICE SHOT-UP, REPORTS REACHING HERE FROM MUSCAT SAID TODAY.

ACCORDING TO AN ANNOUNCEMENT BY AN OMANI PETROLEUM AND MINERALS MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SUNDAY, OMAN HAS PLANNED TO GRADUALLY RAISE ITS OIL OUTPUT FROM 660,000 BARRELS A DAY TO 700,000 BARRELS A DAY OVER THE NEXT THREE MONTHS.

THE SPOKESMAN WAS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT THE MOVE WAS CONSIDERED SEVERAL MONTHS AGO AND HIS COUNTRY INTENDED TO GO AHEAD WITH IT BY THE END OF THIS YEAR.

OMAN IS NOT A MEMBER STATE OF THE ORGANIZATION OF THE PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES. IT HAS RESTRICTED ITS OIL OUTPUT SINCE THE OPEC'S JULY FULL MEETING SOLICITED HELP FROM BOTH ITS MEMBER AND NON-MEMBER COUNTRIES TO STABILIZE OIL PRICES OF 21 U.S. DOLLARS A BARREL.

AS THE GULF CRISIS TRIGGERED BY IRAQI AUGUST 2 INVASION OF KUWAIT HAS ELIMINATED FROM THE MARKET 4 MILLION BARRELS A DAY THAT USED TO BE PRODUCED BY IRAQ AND KUWAIT, OIL PRICES HAVE SHOT UP AND ARE NOW IN THE RANGE OF 40 DOLLARS A BARREL FOR SOME GRADES OF CRUDE OIL, THE HIGEST OVER THE PAST 10 YEARS.

OMAN HAS EXPRESSED A HOPE TO SEE OIL PRICES STABALIZE AT A LEVEL OF AROUND 25 DOLLARS A BARREL, WHICH WILL BE EQUITABLE TO BOTH PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS.

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#90274h0081 10/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (OCT. 1) XINHUA - PAKISTAN WILL RECEIVE A SUPPLEMENTARY AID OF ABOUT ONE BILLION U.S. DOLLARS THIS YEAR FROM TWO WORLD FINANCIAL BODIES AND THE GULF CRISIS FINANCIAL COORDINATION GROUP (GCFCG) TO OVERCOME THE FINANCIAL CRISIS THE COUNTRY IS FACING BECAUSE OF THE GULF CRISIS.

THIS WAS DISCLOSED HERE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON BY PAKISTANI FINANCE MINISTER SARTAJ AZIZ AFTER HIS RETURN FROM A MEETING WITH THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF) AND THE WORLD BANK OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON LAST WEEK, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL SOURCES HERE TODAY.

THE MINISTER WAS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT HIS MEETING WITH THE TWO FINANCIAL

BODIES WAS POSITIVE. HE CATEGORICALLY DENIED REPORTS THAT BOTH IMF AND WORLD BANK HAVE DECIDED NOT TO INCREASE AID TO PAKISTAN.

OUT OF THE ONE BILLION DOLLARS, HE NOTED, HALF WILL BE GIVEN BY IMF AND WORLD BANK AND HALF WILL BE OFFERED BY GCFCG WHICH WAS SET UP BY THE UNITED STATES AFTER THE IRAQI OCCUPATION OF KUWAIT.

THE GCFCG, HE ADDED, HAS RECEIVED 23 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS GIVEN BY SAUDI ARABIA, KUWAIT, JAPAN, GERMANY AND THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY.

OUT OF THIS 23 BILLION DOLLARS, ABOUT 12 BILLION DOLLARS WILL GO TO THE UNITED STATES AND THE REST WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AMONG THE 10 WORST-AFFECTED COUNTRIES, WHICH ARE EGYPT, JORDAN, TURKEY, PAKISTAN, BANGLADESH, INDIA, SRI LANKA, THE PHILIPPINES, MOROCCO AND SUDAN, THE SOURCES SAID.

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DHAKA (OCT. 1) XINHUA - THE VOLUME OF EXPORTS IN AUGUST FELL BY ABOUT 21 PERCENT AGAINST THAT IN JULY, MAINLY DUE TO THE ABNORMAL SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST AFTER THE IRAQI OCCUPATION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

THE EXPORTS OF SHRIMP, FROZEN FOOD, LEATHER AND JUTE GOODS WAS LESS IN QUANTITY IN AUGUST THAN IN JULY, THE FIRST MONTH OF THIS FISCAL YEAR, OFFICIALS WERE QUOTED TODAY AS SAYING.

OFFICIAL RECORDS SHOW THAT BANGLADESH EXPORTED GOODS WORTH 162.85 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN JULY THIS YEAR, BUT IT CAME DOWN TO 129.13 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN AUGUST, SHOWING A DECREASE BY ABOUT 21 PERCENT.

BUT THE OVERALL EXPORT PERFORMANCE DURING THE FIRST TWO MONTHS OF THIS FISCAL YEAR (291.98 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IS SATISFACTORY AS THE EXPORT DURING THE PERIOD EXCEEDED THE AVERAGE TARGET (289 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) BY 1 PERCENT (2.98 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

THE EXPORT TARGET FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR HAS BEEN FIXED AT 1,704 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

DURING THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR, THE EXPORT EARNING WAS 263.50 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, 28.48 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS OR 10.81 PERCENT LESS THAN THE EARNING IN JULY AND AUGUST OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.

THE GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN SOME MEASURES TO ENSURE THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THAT TARGET, INCLUDING EFFORTS TO EXPAND MARKETS AND INCREASE EXPORTS TO MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES OTHER THAN IRAQ AND KUWAIT, ARRANGEMENTS TO EXPORT SUCH GOODS AS HAVE BEEN ON DEMAND DUE TO THE GULF CRISIS AND EFFORTS TO FIND ALTERNATIVE MARKETS IN EEC AND OTHER COUNTRIES.

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TOKYO (OCT. 1) KYODO - STRONG WITHHOLDING AND CORPORATE TAX REVENUE GROWTH PUSHED NATIONAL TAX REVENUES UP 22.6 PERCENT IN AUGUST FROM A YEAR EARLIER, TOTALING 4,614,762 MILLION YEN, THE FINANCE MINISTRY SAID MONDAY.

THE AUGUST TAX REVENUES BROUGHT CUMULATIVE REVENUES SINCE APRIL, THE FIRST MONTH OF FISCAL 1990, TO 15,277,284 MILLION YEN, A 22.2 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE BRISK REVENUE GROWTH CAME AS WITHHOLDING TAX REVENUES JUMPED 21.3 PERCENT TO 1,960,254 MILLION YEN IN A RISE BOOSTED BY PAYMENTS OF INCOME TAXES ON SUMMER BONUSES AND PAYMENTS OF TAXES ON INTEREST ON BANK DEPOSITS AND FIXED-INCOME DEBENTURES, THEY SAID.

THE STRONG GAIN IN WITHHOLDING TAX REVENUES BROUGHT OVERALL INCOME TAX REVENUES UP 20.5 PERCENT TO 2,026,770 MILLION YEN.

GROWTH WAS ALSO CHOPPY IN CORPORATE TAX REVENUES, WHICH SWELLED 10.5 PERCENT TO 1,267,827 MILLION YEN DUE TO TAXES PAID BY TOYOTA MOTOR CORP., WHICH REPORTED RECORD EARNINGS IN THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED ON JUNE 30.

TOYOTA'S TAX PAYMENTS REPRESENTED ROUGHLY TWO-THIRDS OF THE TOTAL CORPORATE TAXES PAID DURING THE MONTH, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS.

DESPITE THE STRONG TAX REVENUE GROWTH, A MINISTRY OFFICIAL WARNED THAT REVENUE GROWTH WOULD SLOW IN COMING MONTHS AS THE NEGATIVE EFFECTS OF THE PLUNGE IN STOCK PRICES AND THE SURGE IN OIL PRICES HIT THE ECONOMY.

"THINGS WERE GOOD UNTIL AUGUST," THE OFFICIAL SAID. "SINCE SEPTEMBER, WE'LL SEE THE BAD EFFECTS OF STOCK AND OIL PRICES."

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TOKYO (OCT. 1) KYODO - SALES OF CARS, TRUCKS, AND BUSES IN JAPAN INCHED UP 0.3 PERCENT IN SEPTEMBER FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 503,977 VEHICLES, A RECORD HIGH FOR THE MONTH, THE JAPAN AUTOMOBILE DEALERS' ASSOCIATION SAID MONDAY.

HOWEVER, SALES GROWTH, WHICH AVERAGED 12.0 PERCENT FROM JANUARY THROUGH AUGUST WAS THE LOWEST SINCE FEBRUARY OF LAST YEAR, WHEN SALES FELL 2.3 PERCENT ON AN ANNUAL BASIS.

A NUMBER OF DOMESTIC AUTOMAKERS STRESSED THAT DEMAND WAS NOT ON THE DECLINE AND THAT THE SLACKENED GROWTH WAS DUE IN PART TO SPECIAL FACTORS. THIS SEPTEMBER, FOR EXAMPLE, HAD 1.5 FEWER BUSINESS DAYS THAN SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR.

BUT AN EXECUTIVE AT A MEDIUM-SIZED AUTOMAKER SAID, "IT WAS HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT THE SHARP UPTREND IN AUTO SALES WOULD CONTINUE," GIVEN THE PLUNGE IN TOKYO STOCK PRICES AND SKYROCKETING INTEREST RATES.

THE ROBUST RISE IN SALES HAS BEGUN TO SHOW SIGNS OF DECAY, A CLEAR INDICATION THAT AUTUMN HAS BEGUN TO SET IN WITHIN THE AUTO INDUSTRY, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

CAR SALES SAGGED 2.4 PERCENT IN SEPTEMBER TO 350,928 VEHICLES. OF THIS TOTAL, CARS ABOVE 2000 CC ENGINE DISPLACEMENT JUMPED 38.2 PERCENT TO 46,167 VEHICLES. HOWEVER, SALES OF SMALLER CARS WITH 651-2000 CC ENGINE SIZE, WHICH ACCOUNT FOR OVER HALF THE MARKET, FELL 6.5 PERCENT TO 304,761 VEHICLES, A MAJOR REASON FOR THE ANEMIC GROWTH IN OVERALL VEHICLE SALES.

SALES OF TRUCKS INCREASED 7.2 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 150,975 VEHICLES AND BUSES 3.0 PERCENT TO 2,074.

SALES BY TOYOTA MOTOR CORP., JAPAN'S LARGEST AUTOMAKER, DIPPED 1.6 PERCENT TO 192,816 VEHICLES. HONDA MOTOR CO., ISUZU MOTORS LTD., AND DAIHATSU MOTOR CO. ALSO POSTED YEAR-ON-YEAR DROPS IN SALES.

NISSAN, THE COUNTRY'S NO. 2 AUTOMAKER, EDGED UP 1.3 PERCENT. SALES BY MAZDA MOTOR CORP. AND MITSUBISHI MOTORS CORP. ROSE 6.8 PERCENT AND 6.1 PERCENT, RESPECTIVELY.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT 1) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

London stocks rally, with the FTSE up 43 points in midday trading. ... Another down day for Japanese stocks , the Nikkei losing 762 points. ... The dollar is lower, but bonds are up on news of a budget accord. The long- yield is down to 8.90% in overseas trading. ... North Sea crude falls $1.23 to $38.07 a barrel. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that the index of leading indicators fell 1.2% in August, the first decline in four months and the sharpest since a 1.4% fall in November of 1987. ... PRESIDENT BUSH and congressional leaders agree on a budget deficit reduction plan that would trim $40 billion in the coming fiscal year and $500 billion over five years. ... The INVESTMENT COMPANY INSTITUTE reports that investors pulled about $2.6 billion from stock funds in August, the largest monthly outflow in nearly two years. ... WHITMAN CORP. is spinning off its profitable PET foods operation, holding on to its MIDAS muffler business, PEPSI bottling operations and HUSSMAN refrigeration. ... MIDWAY AIRLINES plans to lay off about 10% of its

workforce by Nov. 1.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

PRESIDENT BUSH addresses the UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY this morning. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT issues construction spending figures later today and single-family home sales tomorrow. ... Factory orders statistics are due out Wednesday from Commerce and the Fed's Federal Open Market Committee meets to discuss credit policy. ... September employment figures are due out Friday from the LABOR DEPARTMENT. ... APPLE COMPUTER and SONY are in negotiations to produce an inexpensive note-book-computer version of the Macintosh.

FROM THE BULLS:

"We are at a time when you shouldn't only have your shopping list out, you should be buying," says MICHAEL SCHONBERG, chief investment strategist for CHASE INVESTORS MANAGEMENT CORP. (WSJ, 10/1)

"At 2400 the market has discounted every reasonable bearish possibility," says the "Callard Report," where editor DAVID KLINEMAN sees a fairly valued Dow at 2912. "[A] market which reflects every worst case possibility is probably at or near a major bottom." Recommended stocks include: RIGHT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS and TOYS R US. (CNBC "World Business", 10/1)

The market just "ran out of selling," says THOMAS GALLAGHER, chief equity trader at OPPENHEIMER. "As it's picked up some steam ... there seems to be a lot of institutional interest, a lot of people putting money to work. I think people feel that, at least for the short term ... the market has seen the worst levels." (CNN "Moneyline", 9/28)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I don't think we've found the bottom yet," says GAIL DUDAK of S.G. WARBURG. "I think there's a good chance we'll get much closer to 2000 [on the Dow] before it's over." ("Wall Street Week", 9/28)

"We are getting into stage three of the bear market in stocks," says ANTHONY BOECKH, head of the "Bank Credit Analyst." "And when you get into the liquidation stage, God only knows where prices can go. The last time we got into a real liquidation bear market was in '74 and those last six months were pretty vicious. I don't see the Fed being able to ease until we get the kind of financial crisis that will set off that selling panic." ("Barron's", 10/1)

"I don't know a single successful investor I've spoken with who is not concerned that we're in a bear market," says MICHAEL HOLLAND, who runs SALOMON ASSET MANAGEMENT. "Everybody's paralyzed," says JOHN LeFRERE of DELTA CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. (WSJ, 10/1)

"You don't buy stocks in a bear market," says JOSEPH GRANVILLE of the "Granville Market Letter." "You sell. going to flatten everything in its path. "It's like Chinese water torture," says PETER ELIADES of "Market Cycles." "Investors should be out of the market." ("USA Today", 10/1)

STOCK MARKET:

The budget compromise could give stocks an intraday 100 point bounce, says EUGENE PERONI of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT, but he cautions: "It's going to take weeks, if not months to decisively reverse the trend." Peroni believes the market is close to finding its bottom somewhere in the 2300-2400 area. "It's going to take some time here." Peroni says stocks need to rebuild their base before assaulting resistance at 2600: "We have a lot of breakdowns in these stocks that have to be technically resolved." If the market rallies today, it won't close on it's highs, predicts Peroni. (FNN "World Business Update", 10/1)

"It's a reasonably constructed budget package in a tough political environment " says ERNEST MYSOGLAND of GINTEL EQUITY MANAGEMENT. "It's going to help the stock and bond markets." However, HUGH JOHNSON of FIRST ALBANY CORP., says, "What we've seen with this package has already been discounted by the markets. ("USA Today", 10/1)

"I think we're very close to a short-term low simply because of the emotion," says PHILIP ROTH of DEAN WITTER. "We've had the oil price scare with soaring prices this week, we've had worries about the banking system and we've had a lot of selling associated with both of those phenomenon so I think you can't keep people at such a fever pitch too long." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/28)

If war does break out, "the initial effect is the market will go down 200 points," predicts ARNOLD MOSKOWITZ of COUNTY NATWEST SECURITIES. "But the market is in the process of discounting that." (CNN "Moneyline", 9/28)

"To buy in this market you have to have confidence that you are buying a good quality stock at a good historical value," says GERALDINE WEISS of INVESTMENT QUALITY TRENDS. "It's painful to buy right now, but you've got to take a long-term posture," says LARRY BERGLUND of PENNSYLVANIA INVESTMENT ADVISORS. "Pick out the stocks you want to own for a long time," advises RICHARD HOWARD manager of the T. ROWE PRICE capital appreciation fund. "Don't commit fast, but gradually buy them." "All companies are suffering no matter how different their fundamentals," says BARBARA JENKINS of KENWOOD GROUP. "This is the time to dig in and find those differences." ("USA Today", 10/1)

STEVEN SHOBIN of MERRILL LYNCH agrees that there are "the makings of a short-term bottom" in the market now. "We've oversold. We have a lot of skepticism. The bond market is stabilizing." He notes that there have been eight prior quarters that were down 10 percent or more on the Dow since 1946 and "in seven out of eight cases the subsequent quarter was up and in all

cases there was a significant trading rally sometime in the quarter subsequent to the big down quarter. So I think precedent suggests, in addition to the explicit technical numbers, that we're close to a bottom and we're preparing for a trading rally. ... Basically, I'm looking for three or four weeks of base and then a rally up to 2600 and then a resumption of the bear market." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/28)

"Now we're in the process where we can get a nice little rebound here in the market," says RONALD HILL of BROWN BROTHERS HARRIMAN. "We think the bond market tends to hold and that the stocks can rebound. ... If it's just a bounce maybe we're looking at a 5% or 7% kind of a move." But he says if bonds move through 8 1/2% "then perhaps we can have a reasonable rally. If we cannot, then probably stocks turn back and go back down again." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 9/28)

"I think you can be courageous in the short-term although I think long-term the bottom may be 2150," says BILL WATERS. "But in the near term we could have a bounce from here, a little bit of a near-term rally." He sees 2600 or 2650 as a possibility. ("Wall Street Week", 9/28)

"If people didn't realize it before, higher oil prices [in the third quarter] made many people realize that there is a recession on the way," says ROBERT SALOMON, director of stock research at SALOMON BROTHERS. "And interest rates have not fallen as you would expect in a period of economic weakness." (NYT, 10/1)

"I don't think we have seen the market lows but I do think it's important to put in perspective that this Middle Eastern situation will hopefully be resolved," says MARY FARRELL. "This is not a disaster for the American economy. It is handleable. And secondly the recession that we believe is coming up in the third quarter and fourth quarter is also a containable problem. So investors have to look beyond that, remembering there's a few wild cards out like the Middle East and the financial service industry, but it can get better." She sees a very soft recession, but followed by a soft recovery. ("Wall Street Week", 9/28)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

The dollar will yield considerable ground to the yen this month, according to the average of estimates by 10 economists and traders surveyed by "Dow Jones International News Service." It is predicted to trade at 135.55 yen by the

end of the month and at 132.18 yen by the year end. It was quoted late Friday at 138.45 yen. (WSJ, 10/1)

The Fed will lower interest rates initially by 1/4 percent and wait to see whether Congress ratifies the budget agreement, says CITIBANK'S PAUL CHERTKOW in London this morning. "But assuming they do that by the 19th of October, then I think we're on the way to 7.5% three-month money by year-end and possibly down as low as 7%." (CNN "Business Day", 10/1)

"Other things being equal -- ignoring for the moment the rising oil prices, the banking system's weakness and the sluggish economy -- then the agreement to cut the budget deficit should lower interest rates and eventually make stock prices rise," says ED YARDENI, chief economist at PRUDENTIAL BACHE. (NYT, 10/1)

"Bond investors [Friday] were looking beyond the near- term effects of the oil price rise and the inflationary effects associated with that, to the fact that the economy in this country, and perhaps around the world, will be slowing down significantly," says S.G. WARBURG managing director LAWRENCE LEUZZI. "This will eventually lead to lower interest rates across the board." (CNN "Moneyline", 9/28)

"We're telling people to stay in cash or in very short- maturity bonds over the next few months," says GEORGE MAGNUS, director of international bond research at S.G. WARBURG. He says longer-term bonds "eventually will be good buys, but right now, there isn't any rush." DONALD FINE, chief market analyst at CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, says, "The best bet right now is to buy shorter-dated maturities, which means two- to three-year notes." (WSJ, 10/1)

"This guy [Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan] is playing hardball," says NANCY LAZAR of C.J. LAWRENCE. He would rather be tough today than ease too soon. If he were to ease too soon, inflation in 1991 would be even higher, which would push interest rates higher and cause even more financial problems next year than now." (WSJ, 10/1)

"Bond yields in the weeks and months immediately ahead will remain hostage to the threatened destruction of the gulf oilfields in a hot war," says PHILIP BRAVERMAN, chief economist at DKB SECURITIES INC. "That threat, which continues to push oil prices up, is forcing Treasury bond yields toward 9.5% or even 10%. But once the threat of higher oil prices is removed or dissipated, interest rates will plunge in response to the deep domestic recession that has begun." (NYT, 10/1)

THE ECONOMY:

"We may have escaped a recession by a hair in the third quarter, but it's [going to begin] in the fourth," says SUNG WON SOHN, chief economist at NORWEST CORP. He was among nine of the 15 economists surveyed by "USA Today"

who said the economy is in recession. "The real point is we're facing a year or more for virtually zero economic growth," says NORMAN ROBERTSON, chief economist at MELLON BANK. "I see all this happening and I just can't reject the notion that we are in a recession," says ROBERT BRUSCA, chief economist at NIKKO SECURITIES. He referred to rising oil prices, sagging consumer confidence, soaring inflation and contracted business spending plans. ("USA Today", 10/1)

The index of economic indicators has been "about flat for the last year, and the economy, indeed, has stagnated," says PETER ELLIS of THE BOSTON CO. "Our expectation is that the decline you see now will be followed by more decline and that will signal a recession in the economy." (CNN "Moneyline", 9/28)

CHARLES MAXWELL, senior energy strategist at C.J. LAWRENCE, sees a good chance that oil topped out at $39 a barrel last week. "The psychology today reflects whatever has been on CNN in the last few minutes," he says. "People are not thinking long-term and oil traders are not paid to think long-term. ... So, on a day-to-day basis, we say the price of oil can go almost anywhere. But, over a month and three months and six months, the uptrend is highly likely to be reversed. And we can probably make it through the winter with oil below $30 a barrel if hoarding or the weather don't get out of hand." ("Barron's" 10/1)

"The doubling in oil prices will work its way further into the inflation statistics," says IAN MacKINNON at the VANGUARD GROUP. "Gas prices have risen only a fraction of [the rise in] crude oil prices." ("USA Today", 10/1)

"We could be in the early stages of a fairly intensive period of private debt repudiation," says CHUCK CLOUGH, chief strategist at MERRILL LYNCH. "The surprise might be that we have a Treasury bond rally rather suddenly" as private defaults grow and "quality income streams [become] severely limited." JIM GRANT, editor of "Grant's Interest Rate Observer," notes that the plunging Japanese stock market is slashing bank capital in Tokyo. "If the marginal lender to the world was formerly a Japanese bank, it isn't now," he says. "The world's liquidity is at ebb tide." (NYT, 9/30)

IN WASHINGTON:

"Not only is the [budget] agreement just a starting point, but the disgraceful spectacle gave the nation a fiscal result that must still be hashed over in Congress," says DONALD STRASZHEIM, chief economist at MERRILL LYNCH. "We still don't have a national fiscal policy." (NYT, 10/1)

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - An estimated 1,500 low- and moderate-income

Pennsylvania home buyers may qualify for below-market home mortgage loans and reduced closing costs under an affordable housing initiative announced today by the Office of the State Treasurer of Pennsylvania.

The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) will invest $100 million in the mortgage loans originated under the new HomeStart program.

HomeStart will provide qualified borrowers with interest rates as much as three-quarters of 1 percent below market rate, as well as reduced closing costs.

Martin D. Levine, Fannie Mae's vice president for low- and moderate-income housing, said, "Fannie Mae was especially pleased to work with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to develop this unique program that will help open the door to home ownership for hundreds of Pennsylvanians."

Under the program, which is being administered for the Treasurer by the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA), lenders throughout the commonwealth will originate mortgage loans for qualified low- and moderate-income home buyers. PHFA will exchange the mortgages for Fannie Mae Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS) that will be purchased by the Office of the State Treasurer.

Commonwealth Mortgage Assurance Company (CMAC) is insuring the loans made under the program.

HomeStart was developed to help meet the needs of first-time home buyers with incomes below 150 percent of their area's median income; single-parent families with dependent children; and veterans who have not been served by programs sponsored by the Veterans Administration.

Under the HomeStart program, home buyers participating:

- Need only make down payments of 5 percent.

- May apply up to 33 percent of their incomes to mortgage payments, rather than the standard 28 percent.

- Do not need to have two months mortgage payments in reserve after closing, which otherwise is the standard practice.

Lenders participating in the program include Boulevard Mortgage Corporation, East Bay Mortgage Corporation, Mellon Bank, Meridian Bank, Philadelphia Mortgage Corporation, and United Security Mortgage Corporation.

Prospective Pennsylvania home buyers who would like to obtain more information about HomeStart may call toll-free 1-800-822-1174.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company, and is the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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REDWOOD CITY, CALIF. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The device used in a new medical procedure that treats coronary artery disease by scraping away and removing fatty tissue from blocked arteries without bypass surgery has been approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), the team of physicians who invented the procedure announced today.

The FDA action means that the Simpson Coronary AtheroCath is now approved for general use in the treatment of coronary artery disease, which affects 5 million Americans. The device was invented by John B. Simpson, M.D., PhD., a cardiologist at Sequoia Hospital where the technique was pioneered. Used in a procedure called atherectomy, the AtheroCath clears blocked arteries to the heart by shaving and removing plaque build-up.

Atherectomy, using the Simpson Coronary AtheroCath, is a catheter- mediated technique which removes tissue blocking blood flow. One end of the catheter is composed of a metal tube, called the housing, with a window on one side and a balloon on the other. Enclosed within the housing is a cylindrical cutter which is controlled by the physician. The procedure is performed through a small incision in the groin area. Using flouoroscopic cameras to view the procedure, physicians place the housing in front of the plaque. Next, the balloon is inflated to hold the housing against the plaque, and then the motor is turned on, the cutter protrudes into the window opening and shaves off and collects the obstructing atheroma. The catheter can then be repositioned to remove other areas of plaque.

Unlike balloon angioplasty, atherectomy is directional and therefore can be directed to only treat the diseased side of the artery, leaving the normal vessel wall alone. Less plaque remains in the patient's artery after the procedure. As with angioplasty, the patient can usually go home the following day.

The Simpson Coronary AtheroCath was approved by the Cardiology Advisory Panel to the Food and Drug Administration, a government agency which protects the health of the nation against unpure and unsafe foods, drugs, medical devices and cosmetics.

To reach the approval stage for the FDA, the manufacturer of the AtheroCath, Devices for Vascular Intervention (DVI), had to collect safety and effectiveness data on the device. Twelve hospitals participated in extensive

studies and tests. The Simpson Coronary AtheroCath was then subject to an extensive review by the FDA and received approval within six months. The Simpson Coronary AtheroCath follows in the footsteps of the Simpson Peripheral AtheroCath, which is used in leg arteries and received FDA approval in May of 1987.

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PHILADELPHIA, PA. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR), Burlington Northern Railroad and The Terminal Railroad Association of St. Louis (TRRA) have entered into an interline service agreement covering traffic exchanged between Conrail and Burlington Northern via TRRA in St. Louis.

The operating agreement becomes effective today. The agreement, believed to be the first of its kind in the railroad industry, contains specific performance standards for each railroad, details blocking arrangements, coordinates schedules and stipulates notification procedures in the event of schedule changes.

"The interline service agreement will result in the consistent and reliable exchange of traffic," said Donald A. Swanson, Conrail's senior vice president-Operations. "This agreement is an example of railroads working together to enhance service on interline movements and take traffic off the highways."

"In the freight-transportation market of today, it's imperative to provide effective service to our customers, regardless of the number of carriers involved in a particular movement. This agreement will help us provide the level of service customers require," said William E. Greenwood, Burlington Northern's chief operating officer.

"The smooth exchange of traffic and reduced transit times on interline moves will make rail transportation more attractive for shippers," said B.C. Davidson, TRRA's president.

In addition to scheduling and blocking arrangements, the agreement provides for the mutual resolution of operating concerns, enhancing the railroads' ability to respond to market opportunities.

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TORONTO (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE- Campeau Corporation today reported its unaudited financial results for the six-month period ended July 31, 1990. To assist investors in gaining a better understanding of the financial performance and position of the corporation and its subsidiaries, the financial statements continue to show both consolidated and parent-company only results. All figures are stated in U.S. dollars.

Consolidated revenue for Campeau Corporation amounted to $4.45 billion in the six-month 1990 period compared with $4.49 billion in the first half of 1989. This includes revenue from department stores of $3.11 billion in first-half 1990, down from $3.2 billion a year earlier.

Ralphs Grocery Company's revenue rose 7.1 percent to $1.24 billion from the supermarket company's first-half 1989 revenue of $1.16 billion.

Real estate revenue declined to $96 million in the first half of 1990 from $119 million in 1989 reflecting the disposition of rental properties in Canada and the United States net of rent increases principally in Canada and a decline in land sales. Subsequent to the end of the second quarter, the corporation has completed the sale of additional land and properties in Canada for a total of about $40 million. Since the beginning of the 1990 year, total asset dispositions in Canada have amounted to more than $135 million.

Consolidated operating profit amounted to $234 million in the 1990 period compared with $425 million for the same six months of 1989. Operating profit from department stores declined to $142 million in the 1990 period compared with $265 million in 1989.

Ralphs' operating profit increased to $90 million in 1990 from $85 million in the six-month 1989 period. The 1990 amount is after the deduction of a non-cash charge of $7 million for Ralphs' equity appreciation rights benefits (none in 1989.)

Real estate operating profit declined to $2 million from $75 million in the 1989 period. This was most significantly attributable to a provision for a loss of $56 million taken in the second-quarter 1990 on the mixed-use development known as Boston Crossing.

The consolidated net loss from continuing operations for the first half of 1990 was $298 million compared with a loss in the 1989 period of $191 million. The 1990 loss includes gains on sale of assets of $47 million while the 1989 loss is after gains on sale of assets of $122 million. The 1990 net loss also includes $35 million in reorganization costs principally related to U.S. subsidiaries in reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. These include Allied Stores Corporation, Federated Department Stores, Inc., and Federated Stores, Inc. Ralphs Grocery Company did not file for relief under Chapter 11.

The 1990 loss also does not include $136 million of interest on unsecured debt of subsidiaries in reorganization under Chapter 11 and $24 million in dividends on Allied's preferred shares which in 1989 were reflected in minority interest.

The six-month loss from continuing operations is after the deduction of $94 million in non-cash charges including deferred income taxes, depreciation and amortization, and amortization of financing costs.

Under a plan announced in January 1983, the corporation stated its intention to withdraw from certain areas of real estate development and dispose of about $600 million in assets in an orderly manner over a period of years. The 1990 results include a second-quarter discontinued real estate asset provision of $23 million, net of income taxes, to reflect the remaining unsold assets at the lower of cost or net realizable value.

The parent company and its subsidiaries now have completed the disposition of substantially all of these discontinued real estate assets. The remaining unsold discontinued real estate assets at July 31, 1990, of $60 million, after taking into consideration the provision together with amounts receivable of $71 million, have been classified on the balance sheet as development properties, accounts receivable, and notes receivable.

Revenue for the parent company amounted to $81 million in the six- month 1990 period compared with $89 million a year earlier with the decline reflecting the sale of properties.

Before recognizing losses of subsidiaries and income taxes, continuing earnings amounted to $2 million in the first half of 1990, down from $13 million in the comparable 1989 period. The decline most significantly reflected increased financing costs of $27 million, partially offset by increased gains of $22 million on the sale of assets. The net loss from continuing operations for the first half of 1990 increased to $298 million from $191 million in the first half of 1989.

CAMPEAU CORPORATION
Statement of Operations
(Unaudited; millions of U.S. dollars except, per-share amounts)

Six months ended	Consolidated		Parent Company	
July 31:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue:				
Department stores	$3,114	$3,206	--	--
Supermarkets	1,244	1,161	--	--
Real estate	96	119	81	89
Total	4,454	4,486	81	89
Expenses Costs of goods sold, including buying and				

occupancy costs:				
Department store	2,225	2,239	--	--
Supermarkets	1,024	970	--	--
Total	3,249	3,209	--	--
Real estate	92	44	30	31
Selling general and administrative	879	808	1	2
Subtotal	4,220	4,061	31	33
Total	234	425	50	56
Financing	(481)	(575)	(82)	(55)
Depreciation and amortization	(163)	(182)	(5)	(6)
Corporate expenses	(24)	(31)	(6)	(7)
Gain on sale of assets	47	122	47	25
Total	(387)	(241)	4	13
Reorganization costs	(35)	--	(2)	--
Total	(422)	(241)	2	13
Share of losses of subsidiaries	--	--	(303)	(187)
Total	(422)	(241)	(301)	(174)
Income taxes	(124)	(61)	(3)	17
Total	(298)	(180)	(298)	(191)
Minority interest	--	11	--	--
Net loss from continuing operations	(298)	(191)	(298)	(191)
Net loss from discontinued real estate assets (net of tax)	(23)	--	(23)	--
Net loss	(321)	(191)	(321)	(191)
Dividends on preference shares	(5)	(9)	(5)	(9)
Net loss attributable to ordinary shareholders	(326)	(200)	(326)	(200)
Per ordinary share: Net loss from continuing operations	$(6.84)	$(4.52)	$(6.84)	$(4.52)
Net loss	(7.36)	(4.52)	(7.36)	(4.52)

Balance Sheet

(Millions of U.S. dollars)

Periods ended:	Consolidated		Parent Company	
	7/31/90	1/31/90	7/31/90	1/31/90
Assets Current assets:				
Cash and short-term deposits	$753	$613	$15	$44
Accounts receivable	1,568	1,827	27	9
Merchandise inventory	1,511	1,559	--	--
Total current assets	3,832	3,999	42	53
Properties and equipment	3,325	3,410	--	--
Rental properties	859	892	634	663
Development properties	478	422	441	339

Notes receivable	1,336	1,276	61	11
Other assets and deferred charges	296	318	16	20
Goodwill	1,830	1,854	--	--
Discontinued real estate assets	--	203	--	193
Total assets	11,956	12,374	1,194	1,279
Liabilities and shareholders' deficiency				
Current liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued expenses	967	819	91	83
Short-term debt	1,736	1,755	772	759
Convertible subordinated debentures	260	260	260	260
Total current liabilities	2,963	2,834	1,123	1,102
Liabilities subject to settlement under Chapter 11 proceedings	7,361	7,299	--	--
Long-term debt	2,610	2,874	664	694
Convertible subordinated debentures	160	155	160	155
Other liabilities	152	122	--	--
Total	13,246	13,284	1,947	1,951
Excess of losses over investments in subsidiaries	--	--	1,086	816
Deferred income taxes	711	754	165	179
Minority interest	3	3	--	--
Shareholders' deficiency:				
Preference shares	101	101	101	101
Ordinary Shares	165	165	165	165
Deficit	(2,280)	(1,954)	(2,280)	(1,194)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	10	21	10	21
Total shareholders' deficiency	(2,004)	(1,667)	(2,004)	(1,667)
Total liabilities and shareholders' deficiency	11,956	12,374	1,194	1,279

Statement of Changes in Financial Position
(Millions of U.S. dollars)

Six months ended July 31:	Consolidated 1990	Consolidated 1989	Parent Company 1990	Parent Company 1989
Operating activities: Net loss from continuing operations	$(298)	$(191)	$(298)	$(191)
Items not requiring a current outlay of cash:				
Deferred income taxes	(124)	(61)	(3)	17
Depreciation and amortization	139	145	5	6
Amortization of financing costs	55	103	5	2

Amortization of goodwill	24	37	--	--
Minority Interest	--	11	--	--
Gain on sale of division	--	(101)	--	--
Share of losses of subsidiaries	--	--	303	187
Total	(204)	(57)	12	21
Net changes in non-cash working capital balances related to operations:				
Accounts receivable	365	214	(9)	(18)
Merchandise inventory	48	(72)	--	--
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	159	(263)	14	(2)
Net changes in accounts payable and accrued expenses related to operations included in liabilities subject to settlement under Chapter 11 proceedings	38	--	--	--
Total	610	(121)	5	(20)
Cash provided by (applied to) operating activities	406	(178)	17	1
Financing activities:				
Debt issued	306	947	47	343
Debt issue cost	(10)	(66)	(1)	--
Debt repaid	(557)	(1,319)	(108)	(84)
Cash provided by (applied to) financing activities	(207)	(438)	(62)	259
Investment activities:				
Properties and equipment	69	136	--	--
Rental properties	3	10	3	8
Development properties	(17)	99	34	90
Costs recovered from sale of properties	(71)	(100)	(48)	(23)
Proceeds from sale of division	--	(430)	--	--
Notes receivable	(3)	(7)	1	7
Investments	--	--	33	182
Other	(32)	37	(3)	32
Assets for sale	--	(25)	--	--
Discontinued real estate assets	(34)	(11)	(34)	(16)
Cash applied to (provided by) investment activities	(85)	(291)	(14)	280
Dividends	--	13	--	13
Increase (decrease) in cash during period	284	(338)	(31)	(33)
Cash - beginning of period	267	(575)	42	26
Cash - end of period	551	(913)	11	(7)

Cash (cash deficiency) is comprised of cash and short-term deposits, bank overdrafts, and revolving operating facilities excluding any such amounts included in liabilities subject to settlement under Chapter 11

proceedings.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - G&K Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: GKSRA) today announced that it has completed the previously announced purchase of Work Wear Corporation of Canada, Ltd. The total price of approximately (U.S.)$81 million included repayment of long-term debt.

Work Wear Canada, headquartered in Toronto, is Canada's largest uniform leasing company with revenues for the 1989 calender year of approximately (U.S.)$62 million. It operates 10 processing plants in Ontario and Quebec. The purchase also includes Anchor Textiles, a uniform manufacturing division of Work Wear with a plant in Toronto.

G&K Chairman Richard Fink said, "We are pleased that the transaction has been completed. We welcome all Work Wear Canada employees into the G&K family and look forward to an exciting partnership."

G&K is one of the nation's largest textile leasing operations, with fiscal 1990 revenues of $118.7 million. It serves customers in 23 states from 20 processing plants and 28 branch locations.

CONTACT: Richard Fink of G&K Services, 612-546-7440; Nick Farina of The Financial Relations Board (Chicago), 312-266-7800, or Jan Quartner of Financial Relations Board-New York, 212-661-8030, for G&K Services.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Barbers, Hairstyling for Men & Women, Inc., the Minneapolis-based franchisor of full-service hairstyling salons known as "City Looks(R)" and "Cost Cutters Family Hair Care Shops(R)" offering value-priced hair care services, announces the opening of its 500th salon.

Cost Cutters salons in Duarte, Calif., and Eagan, Minn., are the company's most recent salons to open on the same day this past month. Paul and Jinda Korprapun of Monrovia, Calif., operate the Duarte Cost Cutters franchise. Jim Gendreau and George Rory Walker, both of Edina, Minn., own the Eagan Cost Cutters salon. The 27-year-old, publicly held company now operates 86 City Looks and 414 Cost Cutters Family Hair Care Shops nationwide and in Canada. The Barbers is now the third largest hair care franchise company in the industry with system-wide sales of approximately $60 million.

The Cost Cutters division of The Barbers is experiencing exceptional growth.

Established in 1982, Cost Cutters is one of the nation's fastest growing value-priced hair salon chains with increases of almost 25 percent annually. A total of 460 Cost Cutters are currently in development throughout the United States with the majority set to open over the next five to seven years. New sales are currently being negotiated in New York, Illinois, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, Alabama and Iowa. Prospects for new franchises are coming from the international markets of the United Kingdom, Taiwan, Japan and Moscow.

T7/8FT5/8 ers opened its first full-service hairstyling salon for men in 1963. In 1970, The Barbers pioneered the hair care franchising industry by expanding its services to women. In 1982, having dominated the upscale hair care franchise market, The Barbers launched Cost Cutters Family Hair Care Shops, offering value-priced hair care services on an a la carte basis. The company also carries its own private label hair care products and distributes beauty supplies to its franchise salons.

The common stock of The Barbers, Hairstyling for Men & Women, Inc. is traded on the local over-the-counter market in Minneapolis under the symbol Barber Hair.

CONTACT: Joe Francis of The Barbers, 612-331-8500, ext. 125; Paul and Jinda Korprapun, 818-359-5817; or Jim Gendreau or George Rory Walker, 612-941-7773.

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ASHLAND, KY (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashland Oil Inc. (NYSE: ASH) today announced that it has completed the sale of all its shares of Riley Consolidated Inc., an engineering subsidiary, to Deutsche Babcock Aktiengesellschaft of Oberhausen, Germany.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

In addition, Ashland reported that it expects to take a pre-tax charge of approximately $15 million or 17 cents per share in its fiscal fourth quarter, ended Sept. 30, 1990. This charge will be added to already established reserves to complete work toward correcting performance problems with certain boilers built by the Riley unit for which Ashland will have continuing obligations.

Riley Consolidated Inc. is a designer, manufacturer, constructor and service supplier of steam generating and fuel burning equipment with headquarters in Worcester, Mass.

CONTACT: Roger Schrum of Ashland Oil Inc., 606-329-4061.

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#90274p0027 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Commercial Metals Co. (NYSE: CMC), headquartered in Dallas, and Siskin Steel & Supply Co. Inc. of Chattanooga, finalized last Friday the purchase by Commercial Metals of substantially all the operating assets related to Siskin's scrap recycling operation.

In making the announcement Harry J. Heinkele, president of CMC's Secondary Metals Processing Division, said, "In addition to the original agreement, announced in early August and now concluded, we have agreed to purchase a nine-acre tract of river front property in Chattanooga owned but not currently being used by Siskin. CMC plans to eventually develop this property as a scrap metal shipping and receiving facility."

Heinkele earlier said the company plans to consolidate Siskin's scrap processing operation into CMC's current location at 400 East 20th in Chattanooga, as well as add new equipment already on order.

Siskin Steel will retain its multi-location steel service center chain which now serves seven states, an operation that grew out of its scrap recycling company founded over 90 years ago.

Commercial Metals Co. was founded 75 years ago as a scrap metal recycling company and has now grown into an organization consisting of three steel minimills, steel fabrication shops, a copper tube plant, over 30 scrap recycling sites and world-wide trading in various minerals, metals and semi-fabricated, nonferrous metal.

CONTACT: Bob Davis of Commercial Metals Co., 214-631-4120.

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#90274p0028 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
SPRING VALLEY, NY (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Par Pharmaceutical, Inc. (NYSE: PRX) reported today that preliminary voting results of its 1990 meeting of shareholders, held Friday, Sept. 28, indicate that Par's shareholders have approved all proposals put forth by management, and elected a new board of directors.

Par's new board has a majority of outside directors, including five who are new to Par's board. Joining the board as new directors are Andrew Maguire, chief executive officer of Appropriate Technology International, a not-for-profit development assistance corporation active in the dissemination of technologies appropriate to the needs and resources of the rural and urban poor in the Third World, and a former U.S. congressman from New Jersey; Edward G. Shufro, a partner in the investment advisory firm of Shufro, Rose & Ehrman; Melvin Van Woert, M.D., a professor of neurology and pharmacology at Mount Sinai School of Medicine and an attending physician at Mount Sinai and

Yale-New Haven Hospitals; H. Spencer Matthews, a retired U.S. Navy admiral, a member of the president's advisory committee for George Washington University Graduate School of Business and a trustee of the U.S. Naval Academy Foundation; and Mark Auerbach, chief executive officer of Implant Technology Inc., a designer and manufacturer of artificial hips and knees developed by Tulane University, and a former investment banker. Par's new board consists of 11 directors, seven of whom are from outside the company. In addition, Diana L. Sloane, Par's vice president for regulatory affairs, has joined the board.

Kenneth I. Sawyer, president and chief executive officer of Par, said, "In restructuring the board in this fashion, we intend to send a message to the government agencies that regulate us, to the investment community, and to our market, and that message is that this company is not only willing, but eager, to place itself under the continuing close oversight of an outstanding group of outside professionals. I see this as a major step in Par's continuing drive to become self-regulating and to regain a position of leadership in our industry."

In addition to the election of the board, early tabulation indicates that Par's shareholders approved a number of proposals presented to the meeting, including a series of anti-takeover proposals designed to preserve and maximize shareholder value in the event of an unfriendly acquisition. Par said that the measures had not been proposed in response to any specific threat.

CONTACT: Richard J. Nadler or Richard J. Strobel of Par Pharmaceutical, 914-425-7100.

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MENLO PARK, CA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Freightways Inc. (NYSE: CNF) has elected Gregory L. Quesnel as vice president and treasurer.

The appointment was announced today by Donald E. Moffitt, executive vice president -- finance.

Quesnel, 42, was formerly vice president -- accounting for the company with principal responsibility for the eastern United States accounting, collections and financial customer service center of Emery Worldwide in Scranton, Pa.

Quesnel succeeds Frank E. Roberts as vice president and treasurer. Roberts will assume new responsibilities in the company's finance operations.

Quesnel joined the Consolidated Freightways organization in 1975 as director of financial accounting in Portland, Ore. In 1978, he was promoted to director of management and cost accounting. He subsequently advanced through several increasingly responsible financial positions and in 1986 was promoted

to vice president and controller for CF Motor Freight, the company's long-haul trucking and largest subsidiary. In 1989, he assumed responsibility for the Scranton accounting center.

Quesnel holds a bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Oregon, and a master's degree in business administration from Portland University. He also completed the Columbia University Executive Program in Business Administration. He is married and has three children.

Consolidated Freightways Inc. is a diversified transportation company with businesses in long-haul and regional trucking, air freight, intermodal rail truckload and ocean freight services. Principal operating companies include CF Motor Freight, Con-Way Transportation Services and Emery Worldwide.

CONTACT: J.R. Allen of Consolidated Freightways, 415-326-1700.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Sedgwick James Inc. and Crawford & Co. (NYSE: CRDB) announced today that the previously announced acquisition of Sedgwick's FPE Group by Crawford & Co. has been completed.

Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed. The FPE Group, which specializes in risk control and fire protection engineering, is based in Lafayette, Calif. and also has offices in Napersville, Ill.; Plainsboro, N.J.; Springfield, Mo.; Torrance, Calif.; and Wichita, Kan. Revenue of the FPE Group for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, was approximately $4.5 million. Forrest L. Minix, chairman and chief executive officer of Crawford & Co., said that with this acquisition, Crawford & Co. now has 25 risk control offices with over 150 employees strategically located throughout the United States which will provide its clients with better professional risk control services.

Speaking for Sedgwick James, Quill O. Healey, president and chief operating officer, pointed out that the technical expertise of FPE will continue to be drawn upon as required by Sedgwick James clients. "We believe that it is in our client's best interest that in some instances certain highly technical, loss control specialties be purchased from independent firms. Thus, we look forward to an ongoing business relationship with FPE as part of Crawford & Company," he said.

Sedgwick James is part of the London-based Sedgwick Group, the world's third-largest provider of insurance broking and risk services. Crawford & Co. is a diversified service firm that provides claims management, risk management risk control and health care management services to insurance companies, corporations and self-insured entities.

CONTACT: Donald R. Chapman of Crawford & Co., 404-256-0830, or Emily Trenholm

of Sedgwick James, 212-333-8958.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Chemicals Inc. (NYSE: STX) announced today that its board of directors has declared a cash dividend for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of 25 per share of Sterling common stock, $.01 par value per share, payable on Oct. 24, 1990 to holders of record at the close of business on Oct. 12, 1990.

Sterling was formed in 1986 to acquire the Texas City petrochemicals plant of Monsanto Co. Sterling is a major producer of seven intermediate petrochemical products -- styrene monomer, acrylonitrile, acetic acid, plasticizers, lactic acid, tertiary butylamine and sodium cyanide.

Sterling is headquartered in Houston, Texas and its common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol STX.

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#90274p0052 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

GUILDERLAND, NY (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermagnetics General Corporation (NASDAQ: INMA) today announced a new agreement to supply Philips Medical Systems with Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) superconductive magnets over a five-year period. This agreement follows the successful delivery of a number of these IGC-developed magnets over the past two years. The internally shielded magnet (known as TM-5) is shorter and lighter than any magnet of comparable field strength and type available in the marketplace today. It therefore provides substantial installation and operational advantages to the medical institutions served by Philips, while providing the magnetic field uniformity required for producing high quality whole body images for medical diagnostic purposes.

Carl H. Rosner, chairman and president of IGC, commenting on the agreement, stated. "We have been supplying MRI magnets to Philips Medical Systems, a leading global supplier of medical diagnostic imaging and therapy equipment, for the past several years. With its successful introduction of the Gyroscan T-5 imaging system, which is based on the TM-5 magnet, Philips presently is IGC's largest customer. I am extremely pleased with the confidence that Philips has placed in IGC with this new, long-term agreement. The close working relationship between IGC and Philips has benefited both companies; IGC's TM-5 magnet is one of the key features that makes the Philips MRI system unique, and their success in the medical equipment marketplace has been a significant contributor to IGC's recent growth."

IGC is a leading manufacturer of superconducting wire and superconducting magnet systems, especially those used in MRI medical diagnostic imaging systems. The company also produces cryogenic equipment, permanent magnet systems and material separation devices.

CONTACT: Carl H. Rosner, president of Intermagnetics General, 518-456-5456

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WARWICK, RI (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Applied DNA Systems, Inc. (the company) (NASDAQ: ADNA) today announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, DNA Capital Funding (DNACF) has sold its interest in M.B. Television Leasing Inc. (MBTV) for the sum of $472,000.

DNACF has received partial payment of $170,000. During the next 60 days notes for an aggregate amount of $255,000 will become due and $75,000 which had been used as collateral to secure a bank loan for MBTV will be returned to the company. A final payment of $47,000 will be due on or before Dec. 31, 1993.

Applied DNA Systems, Inc. is primarily a biotechnology research and development company and with this transaction it has now completed its program to disengage from all non-biotechnology activities. The company's major scientific project is its in vitro chemosensitivity assay, known as the Fluorescent Cytoprint Assay (FCA), commercialized by its wholly owned subsidiary, Analytical Biosystems Corporation. (ABC).

The FCA is a patented in vitro assay which measures the effectiveness of certain chemotherapeutic drugs in destroying cancer cells. In July 1990, ABC granted an exclusive option to enter into sales agency agreement for the marketing of the FCA in the United States and Canada to Adria Laboratories, Division of Erbamont Inc., a leader in the North American oncology market.

CONTACT: Alain Klapholz of Applied DNA Systems, 401-732-6520

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The United Shareholders Association hailed today's proposal by Bear Stearns Companies (NYSE: BSC) to amend the company's certificate of incorporation with measures that will uphold and protect the rights of the company's shareholders.

The company announced that it is asking shareholders to ratify amendments that would prohibit greenmail, golden parachutes and poison pills unless these tactics are approved by shareholders. The company said it will also, on a voluntary basis, protect the confidentiality of all shareholder proxy votes.

"This is a major advance for shareholder rights," said USA Director Ralph V. Whitworth. "As far as we are aware, this is the first time that a major publicly owned company, listed on the New York Stock Exchange, has proposed a package of amendments specifically intended to guarantee that shareholders have a meaningful voice in corporate affairs. We commend the management of Bear Stearns for taking this important step."

With more than 64,000 members and 38 chapters nationwide, USA is a non-profit grassroots organization founded in 1986 to protect and enhance shareholder rights and increased management accountability to shareholders as key elements of a competitive American economy.

CONTACT: Ralph Whitworth of the United Shareholders Association, 202-393-4600.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Eric V. Friedland, chairman of Fairbanks Gold Ltd. (FX), announced today that the company has signed two agreements with Teryl Resources Corp., (Vancouver: TRC) whereby the company and its joint venture partners will expand their present land holdings in the area of the Fort Knox Gold Property by approximately 50 percent.

Teryl has assigned its rights under a mining venture agreement with Nerco Exploration Company on 237 claims that border the southern boundary of the Fort Knox land holdings to the Fort Knox Venture (owned 51 percent by Fairbanks Gold Ltd. and 49 percent by its joint venture partners). The Fort Knox Venture can earn up to an 85 percent interest in the approximately 9,000 acre Nerco claims by assuming the work commitments and payments through March 1993 as described in Teryl's news release of Aug. 8, 1989 and by making certain additional payments to Teryl. Teryl can earn up to a 15 percent interest in the claims.

Under a similar agreement, Teryl has assigned its interest in the Stepovich claims, approximately one mile south of the Fort Knox deposit, to the Fort Knox Venture. The Fort Knox Venture can earn a 100 percent interest in the 280 acre Stepovich claims by assuming the work commitments and payments to July 1, 1995 as described in Teryl's news release of August 31, 1989 and by making certain additional payments to Teryl. Teryl can maintain a 10 percent Net Profits Interest in the claims.

The Fort Knox Venture believes that both the Nerco and Stepovich claims are highly prospective for the discovery of additional gold deposits. Drill targets have been identified and diamond core drilling will commence immediately.

CONTACT: Harris Saxon, executive VP, of Fairbanks Gold Ltd., 604-640-6714.

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AUGUSTA, GA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Merry Land & Investment Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: MERY) (Merry Land) has purchased Berkshire Place Apartments, a 240-unit apartment community in Charlotte, N.C., for $8.0 million.

Peter S. Knox III, chairman of the board of Merry Land, reported that the company closed the purchase on Sept. 21. The seller was a limited partnership sponsored by JMB Realty of Chicago. Berkshire is located on Johnston Road in the fast-growing southside area of Charlotte.

Knox said he was very pleased that Merry Land continues to find attractive properties for sale at reasonable prices, and hopes to make further acquisitions during 1990. Since October of 1989, Merry Land has bought six apartment communities containing 1,254 rental units at a cost of $42.0 million. The company now owns 2,722 apartment units, with a total cost of $91.4 million, located in Raleigh, High Point and Charlotte, N.C.; Augusta and Savannah, Ga.; and Charleston, S.C. Knox said that at Sept. 30, the company's overall occupancy was 96 percent.

Merry Land is a Real Estate Investment Trust which invests in real estate and marketable securities. The company is headquartered in Augusta, Ga. Its stock is traded in the Over-the-Counter market under the symbol MERY.

CONTACT: Tennent Houston, president of Merry Land, 404-722-6756.

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#90274p0064 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Sept. 28, 1990.

All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields
(30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago
Conventional			
15-Year FRM	9.73	9.76	9.88
30-Year FRM	10.06	10.11	10.11
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	10.31	10.36	10.36
10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.			
Second Mortgages	9.850	9.900	10.000

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term) Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	9.00	9.05	9.55	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	9.25	9.30	9.80	2.000 pct.
1(A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	7.95	8.00	8.60	2.250 pct. 6 mos(A)
(COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	8.05	8.10	8.75	2.125 pct.

(A) Rate reduction (B) 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM.

Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs. LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
September 27, 1990	8.297	8.375	8.422	8.500
August 30, 1990	8.125	8.188	8.188	8.313

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 9/28/90	Year to Date	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(A)	791.1	17,311.6	15,970.1
Purchases	747.1	17,403.1	14,893.1
MBS Issued	2,864.1	72,449.4	44,293.8

(A) Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

CONTACT: Lisa Haas of Fannie Mae, 202-752-7124.

-30- 2254

#90274p0073 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - American Realty Trust Inc. (NYSE: ARB) today announced operating results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 1990.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the company recorded net income of $483,000, or 8 cents per share, on revenues of $4.5 million, compared with net income of $3.8 million, or 35 cents per share, on revenues of $5.8 million in the second quarter of the prior year. These results reflect a gain from the sale of a property of $330,000 in the second quarter of 1990, compared with a gain of $86,000 in 1989's second quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, the company recorded a net loss of $2.3 million, or 36 cents per share, on revenues of $6.7 million, compared with net income of $7.5 million, or 69 cents per share, on revenues of $11.4 million in the first half of 1989.

American Realty Trust Inc. is a real estate investment trust which primarily invests in mortgage loans, real estate and real estate-related entities.

AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC.
Financial Highlights
(in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	Three months ended June 30,		Six months ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$ 4,516	$ 5,790	$ 6,699	$11,413
Net Income	$ 483	$ 3,834	$(2,288)	$ 7,496
Per Share	$ 0.08	$ 0.35	$ (0.36)	$ 0.69
Weighted Avg. Shares Outstanding	6,355,072	10,863,348	6,355,072	10,863,348

CONTACT: Jean Krone Bono of American Realty Trust, 214-692-4800.

-30- 1875

#90274p0074 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DELAVAN, WS (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Ajay Sports Inc. ("Ajay") (NASDAQ: AJAY) announced today that on Sept. 25, 1990 the company filed Post-Effective Amendment No. 3 to its Registration Statement on Form S-18 with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Amendment was filed to disclose that the company has entered into a definitive Letter of Intent to acquire a majority stock ownership interest in MGS Acquisitions Inc. ("MGSA"). MGSA which operates through its 100 percent wholly-owned subsidiary, MacGregor Sports Inc. ("MacGregor Sports"), is the sole successor to MacGregor Sporting Goods Inc. ("MacGregor"). In August 1989, MGSA acquired all of the assets of MacGregor, including rights to use the MacGregor trade name and a 25-1/2 percent interest in Riddellink Corp., pursuant to a petition in bankruptcy filed by MacGregor and an order approving such sale by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey.

The Letter of Intent calls for Ajay to provide a minimum of $1 million as a junior participant in MacGregor Sports' present asset based financing arrangements. These funds are to be secured by all of MacGregor Sports' assets, subordinated only to the interests of the present primary lender. It is anticipated that as a result of this transaction, Ajay will acquire a minimum of 60 percent of the MGSA common stock presently issued and outstanding. This equity ownership will consist of either newly issued shares or shares acquired from current holders in an exchange offer or a combination of the foregoing. Completion of the transaction is expressly contingent upon Ajay's evaluation of all claims by the unsecured creditors of MGSA, a final disposition of such claims by the Bankruptcy Court, assurances by MGSA that it can successfully discharge all of its obligations under its asset purchase agreement with the unsecured creditors of MacGregor and completion of the MGSA audited financial statements.

Following the resignation of Louis J. Conti as president and a director of the

company, Joseph W. Hovorka formerly secretary and treasurer of the company, assumed the title and responsibilities of president and Robert R. Hebard assumed the title of secretary. Hovorka and Hebard will hold these positions until such time as the board of directors appoints a replacement for Conti.

As of Sept. 10, 1990, the company's board of directors approved a reduction in the exercise price of the Company's Warrants from $2 per share to $1 per share. Each Warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase one share of the company's Common Stock at any time until Nov. 9, 1990, unless the exercise period is extended by the company in its sole discretion.

No Warrants may be exercised until such time as the Post-Effective Amendment to the Registration Statement has been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

CONTACT: Joseph W. Hovorka of Ajay Sports Inc., 303-290-9371.

-30- 3176

#90274p0075 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of trustees of Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust (NASDAQ: CMETS) today announced they have authorized the purchase of up to $2 million of common stock of American Realty Trust Inc. (NYSE: ARB) through negotiated and open market transactions. Management of the trust will determine the amount and timing of stock purchases based on the market prices of the shares relative to management's assessment of their underlying asset value.

"We continue to believe the pervasive negative sentiment toward real estate-related stocks provides an excellent investment opportunity," said a spokesperson for the trust.

Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide. The trust and American Realty Trust Inc. are each advised by National Realty Advisors Inc.

CONTACT: Jean Krone Bono of Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust, 214-692-4800.

-30- 1144

#90274p0076 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Recognition Equipment Inc. (NYSE: REC) announced today that it has completed the planned sale of three of its operating units in Germany to an investment group that includes the existing management. Sales price for the operations was DM 25,149,000, or approximately $16 million. As part of the sales agreement and included in the sales price calculation, Recognition has been relieved of approximately DM 7

million of future obligations. DM 15.6 million of the payment has been made and the balance is due by Dec. 28.

With this transaction and the previously announced sale of operations in France, Belgium, the United Kingdom and Italy, Recognition has completed its major divestitures in Europe. J.P. Morgan acted as financial advisor to Recognition for these transactions. Additional domestic asset sales are expected.

The sale of the operations is part of a previously announced plan to divest assets not related to the company's focus on image processing products. Recognition's image hardware and software products allow digitized images of business documents, instead of the actual paper documents, to be processed. Recognition's image products can be used to process such documents as insurance claims, waybills and government forms.

The German operations included the sales and service of products manufactured by Recognition to customers in Germany and in a variety of other countries through distributor relationships. Recognition will conu?e to provide products to the newly independent entities under distributor agreements.

"By selling these European subsidiaries while retaining a distributor relationship with them, we have made significant progress in directing the focus of Recognition towards the development, sales and service of document image products," said Tom Hurley, co-chief executive officer of Recognition. "We believe the imaging market offers significant opportunities for Recognition on which our focus and cash reserves will allow us to capitalize."

Recognition, headquartered in Dallas and its wholly owned subsidiary, Plexus Software, Inc., manufacture, sell and service image and data capture hardware and software systems for customers throughout the world.

CONTACT: Jenny Haynes of Recognition Equipment Inc., 214-579-6024.

-30- 2488

#90274p0078 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - International Dairy Queen, Inc. (NASDAQ: INDQA) today announced that earnings for the third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 increased over earnings for the comparable period in 1989. Earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $9,703,936 or $1.07 per share, as compared with $8,338,071 or 89 cents per share, for the comparable period in 1989. Per share amounts are based on weighted average number of common shares outstanding of 9,097,179 in 1990 and 9,375,785 in 1989.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $86,397,201 compared to $74,317,231 for the third quarter of 1989.

Operations for the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, resulted in earnings of $21,749,483 or $2.37 per share, compared to earnings of $18,845,901 or $2.00 per share, for the comparable period in 1989. Per share amounts are based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding of 9,192,204 in 1990 and 9,418,895 in 1989.

Revenues for the nine-month period were $227,566,735 compared to $200,040,177 for the first nine months of 1989.

IDQ develops, licenses, and services a system of more than 5,200 "Dairy Queen" stores in the United States, Canada, and other foreign countries featuring hamburgers, hot dogs, various dairy desserts, and beverages; more than 630 "Orange Julius" stores in the United States, Canada, and other foreign countries, featuring blended drinks made from oranges and other fruit flavors, along with various snack items; more than 140 "Karmelkorn" stores featuring popcorn and other treat items; and more than 70 "Golden Skillet" stores featuring fried chicken.

INTERNATIONAL DAIRY QUEEN -- FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	Third Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	8/31/90	8/31/89	8/31/90	8/31/89
Revenues	$86,397,201	$74,317,231	$227,566,735	200,040,177
Earnings	9,703,936	8,338,071	21,749,483	18,845,901
Earnings per share	$1.07	$.89	$2.37	$2.00
Weighted common shares outstanding	9,097,179	9,375,785	9,192,204	9,418,895

CONTACT: Frank L. Heit, 612-830-0316 or David M. Bond, 612-830-0348, both of International Dairy Queen, Inc.

-30- 2418

#90274p0079 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST GREENWICH, RI (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - GTECH Corporation announced that it has entered an agreement with Welch Allyn, Inc. for the supply of bar-code reading devices to the on-line lottery industry. Under this agreement, Welch Allyn will provide a variety of bar-code reading devices, including slot and wand readers, for use in GTECH- supplied lottery systems.

In announcing the agreement, GTEC Chief Operating Officer Robert A. Breakstone said, "We have extensively tested and benchmarked Welch Allyn's product line and compared it with other suppliers. In every significant area Welch Allyn products demonstrate the highest standards of performance and reliability."

Under the agreement, Welch Allyn and GTECH have the opportunity to jointly develop additional products for lottery data collection needs.

GTECH pioneered the use of bar-code reading devices as a method for on-line

instant ticket validation by providing bar-code reading wands to the Atlantic Lottery Corporation. The use of bar-code readers continues to generate considerable interest in the industry due to the enhanced security, accountability and inventory control possible by on-line validation techniques.

GTECH Corporation designs, produces and implements computerized on- line networks, principally for government-sponsored or licensed lottery jurisdication. Typically, GTECH operates, supplies and/or otherwise services these networks after installation. Currently, GTECH has been selected to serve 41 on-line lottery and waging customers worldwide on five continents.

CONTACT: Craig Watson of GTECH, 401-392-1000.

-30- 1808

#90274p0080 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Dennis Bookshester, retail specialist and former chairman and chief executive officer of Carson Pirie Scott & Co., Retail Group, has been elected to the board of directors of Playboy Enterprises, Inc. (NYSE: PLA).

Bookshester joins Playboy's board with nearly 30 years of retail experience in all major areas of the industry, including department stores, specialty stores, discount stores and mail order. He is credited with the reorganization of the Chicago-based retailer Carson Pirie Scott & Co. During his tenure from 1984 to 1989, he led the renovation of 1.5 million square feet of store space, the development of innovative specialty store concepts, and administrative changes in management structure and computer technology that improved the department store's profitability. Successful departments he established included Corporate Level for career women, Level 6 for home products and specialty-store concepts for Metropolis and Arcadia. He also participated in the acquisition of County Seat Stores, which has since been sold to County Seat management.

Prior to joining Carson Pirie Scott in 1983, Bookshester held top executive positions at Associated Dry Goods Corp. He served as president of Caldor Inc. from 1982 to 1983 and president and then chairman and chief executive officer of the Sibley, Lindsey and Curr Division from 1978 to 1982.

Bookshester began his career at Federated Department Stores, Inc., in 1961, where he started as a sales clerk. He held positions of increasing responsibility, rising to senior vice president of merchandising at Burdine's, before leaving for Associated Dry Goods.

Currently he serves on the boards of the Northwestern Corp., which includes Northwestern Hospital, Midway Airlines, P.W. Investments and Platinum Technology. He is a trustee of the Latin School of Chicago and a member of the University of Chicago's Council for the Graduate School of Business, the

World Business Council and United Cerebral Palsy.

Bookshester holds a bachelor of science degree from the University of Alabama. He resides in Chicago, where Camelot Group, Ltd., his consultancy business, is based.

Bookshester joins five other directors standing for re-election at the company's stockholders' meeting on Nov. 7 in Chicago: Christie Hefner, chairman and chief executive officer of Playboy Enterprises, Inc.; Robert Kamerschen, chairman and chief executive officer, ADVO-System, Inc.; John R. Purcell, chairman and chief executive officer, Grenadier Associates Ltd.; Sol Rosenthal, partner, Buchalter, Nemer, Fields & Younger; and Richard S. Rosenzweig, executive vice president, Playboy Enterprises, Inc.

CONTACT: Terri Tomcisin of Playboy, 312-751-8000, ext. 2655.

-30- 2982

#90274p0082 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Hughes Communications (HCI) has reached a long-term agreement with SkyPix Corp. for the lease of transponder capacity on two satellites, enabling SkyPix to start direct-to-home television broadcast service next year.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

SkyPix will lease 10 transponders on the SBS 6 Ku-band satellite scheduled to be launched Oct. 12. SBS 6 has 19 transponders, each with 41 watts of power, making it the highest-power new Ku-band satellite available until 1992.

The agreement also has a provision to allow SkyPix to migrate its service in early 1993 from SBS 6 to Galaxy IV, one of HCI's planned next-generation dual-payload C- and Ku-band satellites. SkyPix will lease 12 Ku-band transponders on Galaxy IV. That spacecraft, scheduled for launch in late 1992 will carry 24 50-watt Ku-band transponders and 24 16-watt C-band transponders.

SkyPix recently announced plans to provide consumers with a choice of 40 to 50 major Hollywood films at any time virtually on demand. In addition, SkyPix will offer news, sports, live events, music, original children's programming and a package of superstations from around the nation. SkyPix will use digital compression technology and feature small, lightweight antennas.

HCI, a subsidiary of Hughes Aircraft Co., owns and operates five C-band Galaxy/Westar satellites and the two Ku-band SBS 4 and 5 satellites. In addition, it owns and operates a worldwide network of UHF communications satellites for the U.S. Navy. Hughes Aircraft is a unit of GM Hughes Electronics.

CONTACT: Thomas R. Bracken of Hughes Communications Inc., 213-607-4003.

-30- 1842

#90274p0083 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern Bell is now offering telephone bills in Braille for its Georgia customers.

Southern Bell is the first telephone operating company in the nation to provide this free service for its blind and visually impaired customers.

"We commend Southern Bell for taking this step," said Scott McCall of the Center for the Visually Impaired in Atlanta. "Receiving a Braille telephone bill will help visually impaired customers become more independent and afford them more privacy."

"We are very pleased to be able to provide this service to our blind and visually impaired customers," said Carl E. Swearingen, vice president, Southern Bell-Georgia operations. "There is a great desire among people with disabilities to become more independent, and we want to do everything we can to help bring that about."

Southern Bell customers who read Braille and would like to receive a copy of their bill in that form should call the Southern Bell Special Assistance Bureau at 404-780-2273.

Southern Bell will summarize customer bills and transmit the information by computer to Metrolina Association of the Blind in North Carolina. Metrolina, who will handle the printing of Braille bills for all of Southern Bell, will then convert the data into a shorthand-like language and print the bills in Braille.

Customers who request Braille bills will continue to receive regular bills.

Southern Bell Braille billing was trialed initially in North Carolina and will be offered in Florida and South Carolina later in the year.

CONTACT: Gene Parker, 404-391-2478, or Lynn Bress, 404-391-2484, both of Southern Bell.

-30- 1838

#90274p0086 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Bemis Company (NYSE: BMS) announced today that it has completed the acquisition of Milprint, Inc., a Wisconsin-based flexible packaging manufacturer with annual sales of approximately $70 million. Bemis purchased the stock of Milprint for cash and a small portion of Bemis common stock.

John H. Roe, Bemis president and chief executive executive officer, said, "Milprint is an excellent addition to our coated and laminated film business, and enhances our position in several key markets."

Bemis Company is a Minneapolis-based manufacturer of flexible packaging and pressure-sensitive materials with sales of $1.1 billion. Its stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Lisa D. Locken, 612-340-6130 or Benjamin R. Field, 612-340-6010

-30- 941

#90274p0087 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - U.N.A. Corp. (OTC) today announced that its stockholders at a special meeting held on Sept. 27, 1990 voted to approve a meger with Okura Acquisition Corporation and Okura & Co. (AMERICA), Inc. The merger became effective on Sept. 28, 1990 and the merged entity will continue to operate under the name U.N.A. Corporation. Okura Acquisition Corporation is a subsidiary of Okura & Co. (AMERICA), Inc. which is the United States subsidiary of a major Japanese trading firm.

Seymour N. Schwartz, president, commented, "We are delighted that the stockholders of U.N.A. have approved a merger with Okura. The resources of Okura will allow U.N.A. to remain competitive and to continue to provide the level of service that its customers have come to expect."

U.N.A. Corporation is a leading distributor and processor of specialty steels.

CONTACT: S.N. Schwartz, president of U.N.A. Corporation, 617-284-6300.

-30- 1124

#90274p0089 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOWELL, MA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - COMFED Savings Bank (AMEX: CFK) today filed civil complaints against 34 former employees, including James G. Baldini, former President and Chief Executive Officer of COMFED Mortgage Co., Inc. for widespread violations of federal banking laws and other regulations governing the thrift industry. Other former executive officers charged in COMFED's complaint were Frank. A. Buco, former Executive Vice President of COMFED Mortgage Company, John. E. DiStefano, Senior Vice President of COMFED Appraisal Services, Inc., Mark A. Campbell, Vice President and Manager of Residential Loan Production for COMFED Savings Bank's satellite office system, Raymond F. Miller, Jr., former President and Chief Executive Officer of COMFED Savings Bank, and Frederick P. Maloof and William M. Porter, former Senior Vice Presidents of COMFED Advisory Company and co-managers of construction and income property lending. Among the charges filed against certain of these individuals are: intentional misconduct, mismanagement, self-dealing and fraud

in the origination, processing, and approval of residential and commercial loans.

Other former employees named in the suit include: Cynthia R. Lawrenson former loan originator; COMFED Savings Bank, Burlington, Mass. Valerie Rydell former loan originator; COMFED Savings Bank, Burlington, Mass. Peter G. Savard former loan originator; COMFED Savings Bank, Acton, Mass. Jeffrey L. Arsenault former loan originator; COMFED Savings Bank, Lowell, Mass. Vivian Ota former loan originator; COMFED Savings Bank, Tewksbury, Mass. Michael J. Fox former loan originator; COMFED Savings Bank, Tewksbury, Mass. Kathleen R. Tarr former loan originator; COMFED Mortgage Company, Wakefield, Mass. Richard Hunter, former loan originator; COMFED Savings Bank, Pepperell, Mass. Thomas A. Benjamin, former loan originator; COMFED Savings Bank, Leominster, Mass. David V. Chiraco, former loan originator & branch manager; COMFED Mortgage Company, White Plains, N.Y. Donald Pietrafesa, former loan originator; COMFED Mortgage Company, White Plains, N.Y. Anthony Colicchio, former loan originator; COMFED Mortgage Company, White Plains, N.Y. Richard A. Sordillo former loan originator & branch manager; COMFED Mortgage Company, Wakefield, Mass. John R. Delgaizo, former loan originator; COMFED Mortgage Company, Wakefield, Mass. Christopher J. Aniskovich, former loan originator; COMFED Mortgage Company, Wakefield, Mass. Michael J. Siraco, former loan originator; COMFED Mortgage Company, Wakefield, Mass. Patricia A. Hajjar, former loan originator & branch manager; COMFED Mortgage Company, Salem, N.H. James F. Doyle, former loan originator; COMFED Mortgage Company, Salem, N.H. W. Henry Coleman, former loan originator & branch manager; COMFED Mortgage Company, Boston, Mass. Vincent J. Crupi, former loan originator & branch manager; COMFED Mortgage Company, Boston, Mass. William H. McKenna, former loan originator; COMFED Mortgage Company, Boston, Mass. Anthony C. Smith former loan originator; COMFED Mortgage Company, Boston, Mass. Carol L. Johnson, former loan originator & branch manager; COMFED Mortgage Company, Kingston, N.Y. Carl Mancuso, former loan originator & branch manager; COMFED Mortgage Company, East Greenwich, R.I. Robert A. Levitre, former loan originator; COMFED Mortgage Company, West Bridgewater, Mass. Kevin Anzuoni former loan originator; COMFED Mortgage Company, Norwell, Mass. Ralph Deldon former loan originator; COMFED Mortgage Company, Natick, Mass.

In addition to these 34 former employees, the Bank's suit also includes Charles F. McCannon, Jr., a Chelmsford, Massachusetts- based attorney who -- up until June 1988 -- regularly represented COMFED Mortgage Company in connection with loan transactions.

CONTACT: Patricia Oris, vice president of marketing and public relations for COMFED, 508-454-5663; or Hank Shafran of Cone Communications, 508-454-5663, for COMFED.

-30- 4186

#90274p0092 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert M. Bernstein, president of Tensiodyne Corp., announced today that the previously reported financing with Amswiss Scientific Inc., for the sale by Tensiodyne to Amswiss of a 22.5 percent royalty interest from sales of the Fatigue Fuse in consideration of Amswiss paying Tensiodyne $500,000, 250,000 Amswiss warrants, and 3,750 stock purchase warrants has not taken place as a result of Amswiss refusing to complete closing without legal justification.

Tensiodyne has filed a Statement of Claim with Judicate for arbitration, as provided for in the contract between Amswiss and Tensiodyne, in which Tensiodyne is seeking the aforesaid monies, warrants, and a declaration that Amswiss' interest in the fatigue fuse is limited solely to a royalty interest.

CONTACT: Robert M. Bernstein of Tensiodyne Corp., 213-208-5589.

-30- 1029

#90274p0095 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Crown Central Petroleum Corp. said today the company and its employees mourn the loss of NASCAR Winston Cup Driver Rob Moroso who died tragically in an auto accident late Sunday night.

"Crown extends deepest sympathy and condolences to the Moroso family, Rob's team, friends and race fans," said Henry A. Rosenberg Jr., Crown's chairman of the board. "Crown also expresses sorrow to others touched by this terrible tragedy."

Moroso, 22, was in his first year as a Crown/Igloo-sponsored Winston Cup driver, and was the leading contender for Rookie of the Year honors.

"Igloo Products Corp. extends our deepest condolences to Dick Moroso, the Moroso family, and the other families involved in this tragedy. Rob was a fine individual and competitor who had a terrific career ahead of him. We deeply regret the loss of human life in this accident," said Jonathan H. Godshall, Igloo's chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

CONTACT: Tom Lattanzi of Crown Central, 301-659-4856.

-30- 1217

#90274p0100 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, ID (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Morrison Knudsen Corp. (MK) (NYSE: MRN) today announced receipt of a major contract to provide program management services on an assembly plant conversion project for General Motors (NYSE: GM) in Linden, N.J.

As program manager, MK's Construction Group will lead a design/engineering and construction management team during conversion of GM's automobile assembly

plant at Linden into a facility for the manufacture of light-duty trucks. The work will be performed for GM's Truck and Bus Group.

"We are always pleased to receive repeat business from a long-term client such as General Motors," said William J. Agee, MK president, chairman and chief executive officer.

At Linden, the MK-led team will include the company's Industrial/Power Group providing facilities engineering; The Engineering Services Group Inc., of Detroit, providing process design; and MK serving as construction manager.

Morrison Knudsen Corp. is an international engineering, design, construction, environmental, rail systems and mining company.

CONTACT: Jess Hawley of Morrison Knudsen Corp., 208-386-8000

-30- 1316

#90274p0103 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARIS (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The following joint announcement is being issued today on behalf of Le Carbone-Lorraine, Paris, and the Stackpole Corporation, Boston:

Le Carbone-Lorraine said today that it has signed a letter of intent to purchase the assets of three business units of The Stackpole Corporation involved in the manufacture of specialty carbon and graphite products for electrical and high-temperature applications.

No purchase price was announced. Closing is expected to take place in late December.

Le Carbone-Lorraine, with 1989 sales of $300 million, manufactures and markets in 28 countries around the world specialty components and sealing systems, including carbon and graphite products for electrical, chemical engineering and other applications, and metal seals for the nuclear industry.

In the electrical applications field, Stackpole has a leadership position in the United States for brushes for electric motors used by the automotive industry, and in Canada in brushes for electric traction devices.

Le Carbone-Lorraine is a member of the worldwide Pechiney Group which has major activities in packaging, aluminum, advanced engineered products, nuclear fuel, ferroalloys and carbon products, and international trade. Pechiney operates in over 60 nations and had 1989 sales of about $14 billion. Pechiney's other principal North American activities include American National Can, the world's largest producer of packaging products; Howmet Corporation, a major international producer of sophisticated components for jet aircraft and other gas turbine engines; and Pechiney World Trade (U.S.A.), Inc., a trading,

sales agency and metals distribution company.

CONTACT: Brian Wilson, 203-625-8833, for Le Carbone-Lorraine; or W. W. Teeple 617-423-3520, for Stackpole.

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#90274p0111 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Over 1,800 area schools have signed up to participate with Giant Food's 1990-91 "Apples for the Students" program, which is now entering its fourth week. Last year, at the conclusion of the 1989-90 Giant program, over 2,300 schools had participated in the project. According to Barry Scher, Giant's vice president of public affairs, "With so many schools thus far currently signed up for our 1990-91 'Apples for the Students' program, we believe that we will surpass last year's record of 2,300 participating schools." Schools have until March 2, 1991, to participate in the program, which will provide free Apple computers, printers and software equipment to area schools.

Through the "Apples for the Students" program, parents, students and friends of public, private and parochial schools, grades K-12, are encouraged to shop at Giant stores and retain their pink cash register receipt tapes. The participating schools accumulate the receipt tapes, and redeem them for a variety of free Apple computer systems, printers and educational software packages. The 1990-91 campaign began on Sept. 2, 1990, and will continue for 24 weeks, ending on March 2, 1991.

Giant's "Apples for the Students" program is the only supermarket receipt tape program in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia area that is administered under the auspices of, and supported by Apple Computer, Inc. Because of this, schools which participate in Giant's program are given the opportunity to redeem their receipt tapes for a full spectrum of Apple II and Macintosh products and peripherals.

Schools that desire additional information about Giant's "Apples for the Students" program should call 301-341-4162 or write to: Giant Food Inc., Apples for the Students, Dept. 753, P.O. Box 1804, Washington, D.C. 20013.

CONTACT: Barry F. Scher or Mark E. Roeder of Giant Food, 301-341-4710.

-30- 2113

#90274p0116 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOCA RATON, FL (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Computer Products, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CPRD) today authorized the purchase by Computer Products, Inc. from time to time in the open market of up to two million shares of the company's Common Stock, depending upon market price and other factors.

The authorization is subject to amending the provisions of the indenture governing the company's publicly traded 9 1/2 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures due May 15, 1997 that prohibit the company from purchasing shares of its Common Stock. The company has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission preliminary consent solicitation materials relating to the required amendments to that indenture.

"The board's authorization for the buy-back was based upon its consideration of several factors that it deemed relevant, including what it considered to be a market price for the company's shares that doesn't reflect their intrinsic value, and the company's strong financial position," said John N. Lemasters, chairman, president, and chief executive officer of Computer Products, Inc.

Computer Products was founded in 1968 and now employs more than 1,800 persons worldwide. The company is organized into three businesses: Power Conversion, Measurement & Control, and Government Electronics.

Computer Products recorded 1989 sales of $120 million. The company is headquartered in Boca Raton, Fla., and has manufacturing facilities in Pompano Beach, Fla.; Boston; Fremont, Calif.; Boulder, Colo.; Hong Kong; and the Republic of Ireland. Its products are sold through a worldwide network of distributors and independent sales representatives, as well as directly to original equipment manufacturers.

CONTACT: Stan Schneider of Redgate Communications Corp., 305-435-3310, for Computer Products, Inc.; or Eugene L. Zuch of Computer Products, Inc., 407-451-1012

-30- 2065
#90274p0117 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOMERS POINT, NJ (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Action Savings Bank, SLA (NASDAQ: ANSL) announced today that Chairman of the Board Robert J. DiDomenico resigned effective immediately for personal reasons.

DiDomenico also resigned from Coast Development Corp. Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Action.

In a further announcement, Joseph Caucino resigned from his position as a director of the bank due to personal reasons. Action Savings Bank, SLA is headquarterad in Somers Point, and operates eight offices in Atlantic, Cape May and Ocean counties, New Jereey.

CONTACT: Frank J. Gleeson, executive vice president/chief operating officer of Action Savings Bank, 609-927-8111

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - NOVA Corp. of Alberta (Toronto, AMEX: NVA) announced today the completion of the sale of its Polysar Rubber Division to Bayer AG of West Germany.

Proceeds of approximately $1.250 billion will be used to reduce NOVA's non-cost-of-service debt. In addition, Bayer has assumed approximately $100 million in debt related to the division. As a result of the completion of the sale, the corporation's balance sheet has been significantly strengthened.

NOVA is a widely held, shareholder-owned company operating internationally from world headquarters in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

NOTE: All amounts are expressed in Canadian dollars.

CONTACT: W.G. Wilson, 403-290-6132; or G.F. Bentley, 519-332-1212; or C.A. Read, 403-290-7807.

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COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - John D. O'Shea, president and chief executive officer of Bank One, Milford, and Jerry Kirby, chairman and chief executive officer of Citizens Federal of Dayton, announced today that Bank One has signed a letter of intent to purchase its 14 Citizens Federal offices with $410 million in deposits in the Cincinnati, Ohio area.

O'Shea said, "This announcement confirms Bank One's commitment to expand its presence in the Cincinnati market. In addition, Bank One will be provided a greater opportunity to increase the execution of the bank's retail delivery system in the overall Cincinnati market."

This agreement includes Citizens Federal offices in Amelia, Beechmont, Delhi, Fairfield, Forest Park, Maderia, Montgomery, Mount Lookout, North College Hill Northgate, Roselawn, Tri-County, Western Hills and downtown Cincinnati.

Kirby explained that the decision to sell the Cincinnati branch offices is the result of a new business plan which will place Citizens Federal in compliance with the all-new federal requirements. Kirby indicated, "We have adjusted our business plan to concentrate on growing our mortgage loan business through CitFed Mortgage, a wholly owned subsidiary of Citizens Federal, in Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky."

Kirby also indicated, "We value the long-term deposit relationships with our Cincinnati customers and know Bank One will demonstrate the same quality of service our customers have experienced in past years."

The transaction is subject to approval by regulatory agencies. During the process, both Bank One and Citizens Federal customers will continue their business as usual. Upon completion of this transaction, customers will be communicated to directly on conducting business as a result of the combined operations.

Upon the consummation of the purchase, Bank One will operate approximately 30 banking locations throughout Hamilton, Clermont and Brown counties of Ohio, with total assets of nearly $810 million. In addition, Bank One intends to relocate its headquarters from Milford to Cincinnati.

Bank One, Milford, NA is an affiliate of Banc One Corporation (NYSE: ONE) which has assets of $27.9 billion and operates 52 affiliate banking organizations in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Texas and Wisconsin. Banc One Corporation also operates several additional affiliates that engage in trust services, mortgage banking, consumer finance, equipment leasing, credit-related life insurance, investment management, data processing, discount brokerage and venture capital activities.

CONTACT: Bill Schumer of Citizens Federal, 513-576-2249; or Johanna White of Banc One Corporation, 614-248-5481.

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#90274p0126 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - A.G. Automotive Warehouses Inc. announced today the grand opening of its second Auto Giant automotive warehouse superstore in Phoenix, Ariz. The store opened on Friday, Sept. 28, 1990.

Robert J. McNulty, chairman, stated, "The opening of this Phoenix Auto Giant marks our second automotive warehouse in the Western United States market. We are confident that our warehouse format has the potential to revolutionize the automotive aftermarket industry by providing car care professionals and do-it-yourself consumers with deeply-discounted parts, accessories and service in a clean and lively one-stop shopping environment."

Frank Roberts, president and chief executive officer, said, "The response to the opening of our Phoenix Auto Giant has been overwhelming. Sales during our grand opening in Phoenix surpassed all expectations, and exceeded even the successful grand opening of our first superstore in San Bernardino, Calif." Roberts added, "With the successful openings of our first two Auto Giant parts and service warehouses, we are continuing to build a solid foundation for what we believe will become the dominant automotive aftermarket retail chain in the Western United States."

The company intends to open three additional Auto Giant warehouse stores in the next 60 days. The new stores will be located in Las Vegas, Nev.,

Sacramento and Fountain Valley, Calif.

Auto Giant offers a wide selection of quality, brand-name automotive products at discount prices to retail and wholesale customers. Auto Giant warehouses average approximately 50,000 to 75,000 square feet and offer approximately 17,000 items, including automotive accessories, batteries, maintenance and repair parts, sound systems, tires and custom wheels. Each Auto Giant warehouse also contains a full automotive service department with certified technicians.

CONTACT: Franklin D. Roberts, president/CEO, 213-495-9644; or Douglas MacLellan, 213-491-3500, both of A.G. Automotive Warehouses Inc.

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LONG BEACH, Calif. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc., (NASDAQ: HQOSA), one of the leading warehouse retail office supplies and equipment chains in the Western United States, announced the grand opening of its 15th store on Monday, Sept. 25, in Kearny Mesa, Calif. According to Robert J. McNulty, chairman, "this superstore opening is the first in the San Diego market, and is an important addition to our company's growth."

George J. Handgis, president and chief executive officer added, "the company emphasizes quality brand-name products. Each store sells approximately 8,000 items, including office supplies, office furniture, business machines, and software, at up to 70 percent savings off manufacturers' suggested prices. HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc. features in-store business service centers for photocopying, printing, FAX, mailing, laminating, business cards, and engraving. In addition, the company sponsors a consumer education program offering free monthly seminars and product demonstrations."

HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc. was founded in June 1988, based on the warehouse concept of massive buying and low overhead. The company currently operates 15 stores in the following locations: Alhambra, Bellflower,, Culver City, Fountain Valley, Fullerton, Kearny Mesa, City of Industry, Irvine, Montebello, Norwalk, Sacramento, San Bernadino, West Los Angeles, and Woodland Hills, Calif., and Las Vegas.

CONTACT: Douglas MacLellan (investors) of HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc., 213-491-3500

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HIGHLAND PARK, MI (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today said it is holding new model domestic car prices to a less than 1-percent increase, the lowest of any car company to announce 1991 firm prices.

The 0.9-percent increase is an average for all models across the board over comparably equipped 1990 models.

Chrysler said increased prices on some models reflect major improvements and equipment changes, while other models are being offered at significantly lower prices than in 1990.

"We are continuing Chrysler's aggressive pricing policy of the past several years to give our customers some of the best values in the market," said Chrysler Motors Chairman Bennett E. Bidwell.

Bidwell noted that Chrysler's prices have increased only 8.7 percent in the past five years. He said competitive domestic makes have increased 19.3 percent and imports have increased 37.2 percent over the same period. Inflation has increased 25.6 percent.

Chrysler also is offering the lowest-priced American cars, the new Plymouth Sundance and Dodge Shadow America models. The base two-door has a Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price of $7,699, which is almost $1,100 less

than the 1990 base model Sundance/Shadow.

The price changes range from a $1,300 reduction in the MSRP for a Dodge Monaco to a $1,270 increase for a Chrysler Imperial luxury sedan. Most changes were more modest. A LeBaron GT coupe, for example, was reduced by $143 from 1990 while the popular Plymouth Acclaim increased $360.

Chrysler still is the only company to make air bags standard equipment on all U.S.-built cars. With continued emphasis on safety equipment, Chrysler also is offering anti-lock braking systems on 75 percent of its 1991 models, tops in the industry.

Chrysler said prices on its redesigned, re-engineered 1991 minivans will increase an average of 2 percent from comparably equipped 1990 models.

Prices on Jeep vehicles reflect an average decrease of 3.2 percent, based on substantial 50th anniversary discounts in popular trim and equipment packages ranging from $500 to $1,600 for most Cherokee models, and a $1,200 reduction on the Limited model from a comparably equipped 1990.

CONTACT: Tom Jakobowski of Chrysler, 313-956-1881 or 313-956-2894.

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ATLANTA, (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific-Atlanta Inc. (NYSE: SFA) today announced the appointment of Katsuaki (Bob) Matsumoto as president of Scientific Atlanta Japan.

Formerly president and chief executive of Pioneer Communications of America, Matsumoto was deeply involved in the development of the cable television industry in the United States.

In his distinguished career, Matsumoto has also served as president and CEO of Technoplas USA, a subsidiary of a Japanese precision injection molding system manufacturer; and as vice president for compact disc product development at Discovery Systems, Columbus, Ohio.

During his 15 years with Pioneer Electronic Corp., Matsumoto served in a variety of positions in Japan including vice president of Pioneer's central research laboratory, as general manager of the data systems division and plant manager in Kawagoe. Prior to joining Pioneer in 1966, Matsumoto worked for six years for Nippon Electric Co. (NEC) in Japan and the United States.

"We are very fortunate to have an individual of Bob Matsumoto's qualifications head Scientific Atlanta Japan," said Douglas L. Ross, vice president, new business development of Scientific-Atlanta's Broadband Communications Group. "He is an internationally recognized leader with 30 years experience in CATV

and telecommunications who will play a vital role in Scientific-Atlanta's expansion in Japan."

Matsumoto was responsible for the development of the world's first interactive television system, and for a series of innovative one-way addressable and impulse pay-per-view products and for new product developments in AM/FM stereo technology.

Matsumoto is the author of a Japanese university text book on FM stereo receivers and numerous technical articles. He graduated from Chiba National University with a bachelor of science degree in electrical and electronic engineering and attended the theological seminary at Kanto Gakuin University in Yokohama.

Scientific Atlanta Japan is a wholly owned subsidiary of Scientific-Atlanta and represents the company's growing involvement in the Japanese cable television market.

Scientific-Atlanta Inc. is a leader in cable television electronics and satellite-based communications networks, as well as a key supplier of electronic instrumentation for industrial, telecommunications and government applications.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Humana Inc. (NYSE: HUM), Michael Reese Health Plan Inc. and Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center have signed a letter of intent whereby Humana would acquire the Chicago-based health plan and hospital.

The agreement is subject to regulatory and other approvals. Terms were not disclosed.

Under the agreement, Humana would acquire the Michael Reese Health Plan, which has 240,000 members, and the 652-bed Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center.

"Humana is pleased to be able to expand its network of health plans and to affiliate with a high-quality hospital that has a distinguished history of service to Chicago and to worldwide medical progress," said Wayne T. Smith, executive vice president of Humana and president of the company's Health Care Division. "This acquisition is consistent with our successful strategy of vertical integration."

A "due diligence" review period is expected to last about 60 days. "At the end of this process, it is expected that the parties will sign a contract,

finalizing the arrangement," said Robert Greenebaum, chairman of the Michael Reese Health Plan board of trustees.

Gordon Prussian, board chairman of the Michael Reese Hospital and Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center, said, "The decision to enter into an agreement with Humana comes from the boards' strong commitment to continue providing quality health care to the residents of Chicago and the community for generations to come."

Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center, one of the largest private academic medical centers in the United States, is a short-term, general medical and surgical hospital, providing a broad range of inpatient and outpatient services. Michael Reese Health Plan, founded in 1972, is a staff model HMO that provides comprehensive medical coverage to Chicago-area employer groups, individuals and Medicare beneficiaries.

Humana, based in Lousiville, Ky., owns and operates 84 hospitals and has approximately 1.2 million members in health plans for employer groups and Medicare enrollees.

The company operates one hospital in Illinois, the 356-bed Humana Hospital -- Hoffman Estates in suburban Chicago.

CONTACT: Tom Noland of Humana Inc., 502-580-1804; Barry Averill of Michael Reese Health Plan Inc., 312-808-3810, or Jim Cipriano of Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center, 312-791-2346.

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WEST SIMSBURY, CT (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Penguin Group, Inc. (OTC) announced today that it has extended the expiration date of the warrants issued in connection with its 1987 public offering from Oct. 1, 1990 to Oct. 1, 1993. Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of Penguin's common stock at $.40 per share. There are approximately 8,400,000 warrants currently outstanding. There is currently no active trading market for either the warrants or the common stock.

CONTACT: Eric Bromley, president of Penguin Group, 203-651-9196

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#90274p0184 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

FRESNO, Calif. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Pacific Bancorporation, (NASDAQ: PABC) the bank holding company of Community First Bank, is no longer exploring merger partners due to current market conditions, President Henry Wheeler announced today.

The company announced in April that it had engaged the bank consulting firm of Alex Sheshunoff & Co. to review any potential merger opportunities. At that time, the company had been receiving informal inquiries about possible mergers but was not actively involved in merger talks. Wheeler stated that, following a comprehensive study of existing possibilities, it was determined that a merger would not be in the best interest of shareholders at this time.

Wheeler noted that growth through a merger remains an option when market conditions change. "It would certainly be an advantage to spread our administrative overhead over more branches. However, a merger would not be prudent at this time due to the current level of volatility and uncertainty in the market for bank stocks," he said. The company continues to use Sheshunoff as a consultant.

Pacific Bancorporation is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System symbol PABC. Bakersfield headquartered Community First Bank serves the San Joaquin Valley through 19 branches from Atwater to Taft.

CONTACT: Fred McKenna of Pacific Bancorporation, 805-395-3286

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ATLANTA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Oxford Industries Inc. (NYSE: OXM) today declared a cash dividend of $.125 per share on common stock payable Dec. 1 to stockholders of record on Nov. 15.

This is the 122nd consecutive quarterly cash dividend since Oxford became publicly owned in 1960.

Oxford Industries Inc. is an Atlanta-based marketer and manufacturer of apparel.

CONTACT: R. William Lee Jr. of Oxford Industries, 404-653-1420

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#90274p0190 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Eaton Vance Distributors, Inc., the principal underwriter of Eaton Vance Prime Rate Reserves, announced today that sales of the fund will be temporarily suspended, effective at the close of business on Friday, Oct. 19, 1990, to enable the fund to invest the assets raised since the fund was reopened for sales on July 30, 1990. Prime Rate Reserves has accepted net new investments of $320 million since reopening, and total fund assets are now $2.1 billion. Eaton Vance Prime Rate Reserves is a continuously offered, closed-end fund investing primarily in senior, fully secured floating-rate bank loan interests.

In announcing the temporary suspension of sales, fund President James B. Hawkes said that "the action was taken in order to prevent dilution of the fund's effective yield for existing shareholders from a too-rapid inflow of new money into the fund."

Prime Rate Reserves is designed to approximate the average published prime rate of leading U.S. banks. The fund's effective yield at Sept. 30 was 10.0 percent. According to Hawkes, "The October yield is expected to approximate that of the October prime rate."

Eaton Vance Distributors is a wholly owned subsidiary of Eaton Vance Corp. (NASDAQ: EAVN), investment advisor to 28 investment companies, to various institutions and individuals, with total assets under management of over $7 billion.

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - CCAIR, Inc. (NASDAQ: CCAR) doing business as USAir Express today reported a net loss of $8,671,000 or $1.50 per share for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, as compared to net income of $2,093,000 or $.44 per share for fiscal 1989. At the operating level, CCAIR had a $7,591,000 loss for fiscal 1990 compared with operating income of $3,864,000 for fiscal 1989. CCAIR also recorded a pretax loss of approximately $860,000 on the disposition of its cargo operation which was sold in January 1990.

On July 5, 1990 CCAIR filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and is in the process of developing a plan of reorganization.

CONTACT: Jan S. Hagerty of CCAIR, Inc., 704-527-7670

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#90274p0207 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, Calif. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) delivered a record 40 MD-80 twin jets during the third quarter of the year, which ended Sunday.

The delivery mark is the highest achieved by the MD-80 program for a three-month period since 1980, when the short-to-medium-range aircraft was first delivered to customers. The previous record high was 38 deliveries in the fourth quarter of 1988. John Wolf, vice president and general manager of the MD-80/90 program said, "With this record, we also achieved our goal for the three-month period, and we are on target to reach our goal of 139 for the year." Wolf added, "Our last delivery in the quarter was to Iberia, and that

aircraft shows the same high quality that every MD-80 coming off the line has shown for many years."

Wolf gave credit for the record number of deliveries to "a tremendous team effort by everyone in the MD-80 program, our suppliers and our customers, through the entire quarter."

At the end of the quarter, McDonnell Douglas had delivered 99 MD-80s for the year at its final assembly plant in Long Beach. The record for deliveries of MD-80s in a single year is 121 in 1988.

Two milestones were reached during the quarter by the company. In July, McDonnell Douglas delivered its 750th MD-80, and in September the 200th MD-80 was delivered to American Airlines, the most aircraft of one type being flown by a single operator.

The quiet, versatile, fuel-efficient MD-80 comes in five versions, offering different range capabilities to operators. All versions feature the passenger-preferred five-across seating configuration. In their 10 years of service, MD-80s have flown more than three billion miles and have carried more than 500 million passengers.

CONTACT: John Thom Douglas Aircraft Co., 213-593-9223

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NASSAU, Bahamas (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of British-American Insurance Company, Limited, on October 1, 1990, declared an interim dividend of U.S. $3.00 dollars per common share to the shareholders of record as of October 11, 1990. The dividend will be payable on October 12, 1990.

CONTACT: Judy A. Higgs, British-American Insurance Company, Limited, 809-322-2694

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#90274p0214 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, Ohio (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Multipress Division of Consolidated American Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: COAM) today announced the availability of automated small press systems incorporating Tech-Trak modular conveyor platforms with throughput rates up to 40 parts per minute. The system was displayed at Assembly Technology Expo, held at O'Hare Expo Center in Chicago.

Headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, Multipress is the largest U.S. manufacturer of small hydraulic "C" frame bench presses and other equipment, used in the automotive, appliance, electrical and food- processing industries.

The turnkey systems are designed to integrate forming, staking, riveting, swaging and assembly operations with automated part handling, loading/unloading, product testing, quality and statistical process control, robotics, vision inspection and other advanced technologies.

Developed by Wes-Tech Automation Systems of Buffalo Grove, Ill., the Tech-Trak family of conveyors is extremely versatile and flexible. It consists of single or double acetal chain conveyors supported by modular sections of straight, curved or merge and divide tracks, which can be configured in nearly infinite variety of combinations.

A variety of Tech-Trak pallets are available to fixture a wide range of parts. Each workstation is equipped with a stop module that senses, locates and locks the pallet in the precise work location.

Using a Tech-Trak-based Multipress system, a precision automotive component manufacturer has been able to achieve a cycle time of 1.7 seconds per part with an in-line arrangement of three Model MP-1.5 presses with a three lane pallet conveyor and bypass pallet shuttles. This and other system applications are described and illustrated in a new bulletin available on request. For copies of the new bulletin or other information contact D.J. Calvin of Multipress Division of Consolidated American Industries, Inc., 614-228-0185 or Richard Gilchrist of Wes-Tech Automation Systems, 708-541-5070.

CONTACT: D.J. Calvin of Multipress Division of Consolidated American Industries, Inc., 614-228-0185 or fax 614-228-2358; or Richard Gilchrist of Wes-Tech Automation Systems, 708-541-5070 or fax 708-541-0096

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#90274p0224 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Peter C. Browning today became president and chief executive officer of Aancor Holdings Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiary, National Gypsum Co. As previously announced, Browning, formerly president of the company's Gold Bond Building Products division, was elected to replace John P. Hayes, who retired as chief executive officer, effective Sept. 30. Hayes, 69, retired after 43 years of service and will remain on the board of directors as chairman. Browning will also continue as president and chief executive officer of Gold Bond.

In a "State of the Company" meeting with employees, Browning responded to questions about the possible reasons for the decline in price of the company's publicly traded debt instruments. He said the decline reflects market concerns about the building and construction industry, the U.S. economy and the debt instruments of highly leveraged companies in general.

Browning cited the 38 percent decline in average gypsum wallboard prices over

the last five years and the decrease in housing starts to their lowest level since the early 1980s as challenges affecting the company and the gypsum wallboard industry in general.

He said these conditions were being further aggravated by continued high interest rates fueled by increased inflationary concerns and undue restrictions on lending institutions which have resulted in tight credit for U.S. industry, especially for builders and contractors. He stated that Aancor as well as the other major competitors in the gypsum wallboard industry, faces the additional burden of being highly leveraged during the current downturn.

Browning noted that the company's worldwide design, engineering and construction subsidiary, The Austin Company, was enjoying record revenues and profits, thereby helping offset partially some of the adverse effects of these conditions.

"The current wallboard industry environment, coupled with a weakening general economy and declining consumer confidence make unlikely any significant improvement from present levels in the company's operating and financial results for the remainder of 1990 or the foreseeable future," said Browning.

He described for employees the company's strategy for meeting current challenges and positioning itself for future growth.

"Our primary financial objectives are to continue reducing debt, while retaining the necessary liquidity to meet operating needs and interest expense. We have already taken a number of actions to support these objectives, and we are currently working on a variety of others," he explained.

Browning said that since the first of 1989, the company has purchased some $136 million of its outstanding debt; generated some $100 million through various non-recurring actions, including asset sales; and put into place a $75 million accounts receivable facility that expires at the end of this month. He said that the company was actively pursuing new financial options for additional debt reductions and seeking to negotiate a new accounts receivable facility.

"Concurrently, we are pursuing our primary operating objectives of ensuring that we are the lowest-cost producer of gypsum wallboard and related products, and the supplier or contractor of choice, whether it involves gypsum-related products or design, engineering and construction services performed by The Austin Co., by meeting or exceeding the requirements of our customers and clients," Browning stated.

"To help accomplish these objectives, we have commenced a $23 million modernization project at our Pryor, Oklahoma, wallboard paper plant that will significantly increase cost-efficiency and capacity; work has recently been

completed on an $8 million new wallboard drying kiln at our Shoals, Indiana, wallboard plant; and we have implemented ongoing quality management processes at every level of the company, Browning concluded.

CONTACT: Allan V. Cecil of the National Gypsum Co., 214-740-4500

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#90274p0235 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MT. PROSPECT, Ill. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Zenith Data Systems (ZDS), a Groupe Bull company, today reduced the suggested retail prices (SRP) of its 80386- and 80286-based desktop personal computers (PCs) -- including its best-selling SX-based desktop system -- by up to 23 percent.

ZDS' desktop price reductions (in U.S. dollars) are:

ZDS System		Previous SRP	New SRP	Price Reduction	Percent
Z-386/33E	Model 150	$11,999	$10,599	$1,400	(11.6)
	Model 320	$13,799	$11,999	$1,800	(13)
Z-386/25	Model 1	$6,199	$4,999	$1,200	(19.3)
	Model 70	$7,499	$5,999	$1,500	(20)
	Model 150	$8,299	$6,999	$1,300	(15.6)
	Model 320	$9,999	$8,799	$1,200	(12)
Z-386/20	Model 1	$4,299	$3,799	$500	(11.6)
	Model 40	$5,299	$4,599	$700	(13.2)
	Model 70	$5,699	$4,899	$800	(14)
Z-386 SX	Model 1	$2,999	$2,299	$700	(23.3)
	Model 40	$3,699	$2,999	$700	(18.9)
	Model 80	$4,399	$3,499	$900	(20.4)
Z-286 LP Plus	Model 1	$1,999	$1,899	$100	(5)
	Model 20	$2,399	$2,299	$100	(4.1)
	Model 40	$2,699	$2,599	$100	(3.7)

ZDS includes a Microsoft Mouse and factory-installs Microsoft Windows 3.0 and MS-DOS 4.0 on all hard-disk-equipped desktop PCs, which excludes Model 1 versions. ZDS also pre-loads Asymetrix ToolBook 1.0 on the hard disks of its '386-based desktop systems.

ZDS, a Groupe Bull company, is a leading manufacturer and marketer of portable and desktop microcomputers and monitors for single- and multi-user applications. With headquarters in Mount Prospect, Ill., and principal assembly operations in St. Joseph, Mich., ZDS has manufacturing and sales facilities in more than 30 countries.

Trademarks: Intel386 is a trademark of Intel Corp.; Microsoft Windows, MS-DOS and Microsoft Mouse are trademarks of Microsoft Corp.; Asymetrix ToolBook is a trademark of Asymetrix Corp.

CONTACT: Glen-Eric Nelson, 708-699-4848 or Matt Mirapaul, 708-699-4897, both of ZDS

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#90274p0239 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, Fla. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Major Group, Inc. (NYSE: MJR), a Florida-based commercial real estate services company, reported revenues of $3,802,000 and a net loss of $3,527,000 or $.34 per share for the year ended June 30, 1990. Revenues for fiscal 1989 were $11,443,000 with net income of $54,306,000 arising from an extraordinary gain of $56,241,000 recognized as a result of the reorganization of the company effective June 1989. The loss from operations, before the reorganization gain was $1,935,000 or $1.74 per share.

The losses incurred in fiscal 1990 primarily represent anticipated start-up costs following the reorganization of the company, a provision of $553,000 for costs relating to the relocation of the company's corporate offices from Boca Raton, Fla. to Orlando, Fla. and a net provision of $2,048,000 for asset impairment relating to the current estimated net realizable value of retained properties and receivables to be repaid from the sale or refinancing of the debtors operating properties. The loss from operations, exclusive of these two provisions was $926,000.

During 1990, the company has focused its efforts on the development of new business opportunities. Initial emphasis has been directed to providing advisory services to Major Realty Corporation (NASDAQ: MAJR) and Stoneridge Resources, Inc. (NYSE: SRE). As announced earlier, the company entered into a management and advisory agreement with Major Realty on Sept. 1, 1990 to provide real estate advisory services, as well as day-to-day managerial and administrative services and personnel to Major Realty.

CONTACT: Ann M. Hawker of The Major Group, Inc., 313-540-9040

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HOUSTON OCT. 1 PR NEWSWIRE - Enterra Corp. (NYSE: EN) announced today that it has completed its acquistion of substantially all of the assets of Oilfield Rental Tools (ORT), headquartered in Singapore, and Petrodrill Oilfield Services, headquartered in Perth, Australia, for a base purchase price of approximately $14 million in cash and stock. ORT and Petrodrill are engaged in the oilfield rental tool business throughout the Southeast Asia and Southern Pacific regions, with operating locations in Singapore, Indonesia, Malaysia and Australia.

As part of the transaction, Artoun Ramian, the chief executive officer and president of ORT and Petrodrill, becomes the chief operating officer of

Enterra's Southeast Asian operations.

Stanley P. Gold, chairman of Enterra, said, "Currently, Enterra conducts its rental tool business in the U.S., Canada, Africa and the Middle East. The ORT/Petrodrill acquisition marks the expansion of Enterra's oilfield rental tool operations into the oil and gas producing areas of Southeast Asia and the Southern Pacific - an area that we believe will experience an increasing level of activity. The ORT/Petrodrill team is a fine addition to the Enterra group and highlights the company's commitment to further international expansion."

Enterra Corp. is comprised of a group of companies which provide products and services to the oil and gas industry worldwide. The company is engaged in the rental of specialized equipment for drilling and servicing onshore and offshore oil and gas wells and the design, manufacture, sale and rental of specialized equipment or pipeline construction.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Subscribers to Congressional Quarterly's Washington Alert online database will have same-day access to federal agency funding, regulatory and meeting information through the Federal Register in October 1990.

"Adding the Federal Register to our growing menu of databases makes Washington Alert the most comprehensive online source of Congressional and federal news and analysis," said Neil Skene, CQ editor and publisher.

Skene said Washington Alert will deliver the full text of the Federal Register to its subscribers seven to 10 days in advance of those currently receiving a hard copy by mail. Also, he said announcements will be searchable by topic, public law, Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) title and part, sponsoring agency docket number, date of publication, dates of action, sections of the Federal Register, page numbers or Federal Register citation.

Skene also announced that Washington Alert will provide Federal Register daily abstracts written by CQ reporters a few hours before the full text is available. "These abstracts give our clients a head start identifying proposed federal action," he observed.

By placing this federal listing of grants, rules, meetings, legal notices and reports online, Skene says CQ has simplified a very tedious and complicated task. "Using Washington Alert, people will be able to easily identify any Federal Register document with ease," he noted.

CQ's Washington Alert is an online Congressional tracking service featuring

Congressional Quarterly's proprietary information and the full text of committee reports, bills and resolutions, the Congressional Record, digests of bills and resolutions from the Library of Congress and the Reuter Transcript Report.

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#90274p0264 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation (NASDAQ: CPTC) announced today that an arbitration award in the amount of $453,749.55 rendered in favor of former CPT President and CEO Arthur Sims has been reduced to judgment in Minnesota District Court, which also dismissed CPT's pending suit against Sims. The company is engaged in discussions with Sims regarding payment terms.

The company announced the arbitration results on June 20. Sims was president and CEO of CPT from January 1988 through April 1989.

CONTACT: David Priebe of CPT Corporation, 612-949-1728

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#90274p0266 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation (NASDAQ: CPTC) today announced revenues of $25.7 million and a loss of $24.7 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. This compares to revenues of $63.6 million and a loss of $25.9 million for the prior fiscal year.

The reported loss includes provisions of $10.9 million for items including the disposal of inventory related to older, proprietary- technology systems, potential losses from litigation, and the default of obligations relating to the sale of CPT's Eden Prairie headquarters building and branch operations.

CPT's President, Chief Executive Officer, and board Co-Chairman, Arun Dube said that the company's ability to turn around "requires a step-by-step transformation and many hard-nosed decisions. That process has already begun, and we are confident that CPT can be turned around."

CPT CORPORATION
(Thousands, Except Per-Share Data)

	Fourth Quarter Ended		Fiscal Year Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Total revenues	$5,559	$13,478	$25,671	$63,567

Provision for restructuring & other non-recurring items	5,237	1,315	10,921	9,456
Net loss	$(9,293)	$(6,328)	$(24,737)	$(25,878)
Net loss per share	$(.64)	$(.44)	$(1.71)	$(1.79)

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - San Francisco-based PLM International Inc. (AMEX: PLM) today announced that a registration statement for the company's newest limited partnership, PLM Equipment Growth Fund V, had been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission as of Thursday, Sept. 27, 1990.

Sales of limited partnership interests in Equipment Growth Fund V began April 11, 1990, and over $57 million of funds currently held in escrow will now be available for the additional purchase of used transportation equipment for the partnership. Third quarter results will be lower than expected due primarily to the delay in releasing Equipment Growth Fund V escrowed funds and the purchase of additional equipment.

Robert N. Tidball, PLM International President and Chief Executive Officer, said, "The availability and investment of these funds and the renewed sales of Equipment Growth Fund V are expected to have a favorable impact on the company's fourth quarter results. PLM Equipment Growth Fund sales lead all equipment leasing syndication programs for 1990 year-to-date."

PLM Equipment Growth Fund V is a $200 million limited partnership formed to acquire, manage and lease a diversified portfolio of used transportation equipment, including aircraft, railcars, marine vessels, containers and trailers. PLM Financial Services Inc., a subsidiary of PLM International, is the General Partner for PLM Equipment Growth Fund V.

PLM International is an integrated equipment leasing company engaged in the leasing and management of transportation equipment and in operating leases domestically and internationally, and in the syndication of capital equipment leasing investments. The company operates and manages over $1.3 billion of transportation equipment and related assets for its account and various investment partnerships and third party accounts.

CONTACT: Valerie Carattini-Cooke of PLM International Inc., 415-544-8227

-30- 2140

#90274p0275 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Regenex Inc. (NASDAQ: RGNX) reports third

quarter sales for quarter ending July 31, 1990, of $1,143,769.00 as compared to sales for the three-month period ended July 31, 1989 of $1,297,550.00. Earnings for those quarters were $1,556.00 and $34,216.00 respectively.

For the nine-month period ending July 31, 1990, sales were $4,127,150.00 as compared to sales of $2,084,262.00 for the comparable period in the previous fiscal year, and net income of $229,818.00 for the nine-month period ended July 31, 1990, as compared to a net loss of $4,473.00 for the nine-month period ended July 31, 1989.

Earnings for the nine month period ending July 31, 1990, were $.10 per share.

CONTACT: Sandra Ross, 708-803-0790, for Regenex

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TORONTO (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Alias Research Inc. (NASDAQ: ADDF) today announced an agreement to sell Alias(r) software and associated hardware for the production of special visual effects to Industrial Light & Magic, the visual effects facility of George Lucas' LucasArts, for a price of US $2.3 million.

Alias Research Inc. produces state-of-the-art 3D computer graphic software for design, entertainment and visualization. Industrial Light & Magic (ILM), the winner of 10 Academy Awards for special visual effects, used Alias software in the creation of the innovative "pseudopod" computer graphic sequence in "The Abyss" from Twentieth Century Fox, which earned ILM its most recent Oscar.

Stephen Bingham, president of Alias said, "This is a powerful endorsement from ILM, the world leader in visual effects. Alias is the only 3D software on the market able to meet ILM's design and animation needs. In addition to Alias Animator(tm) and Power Animator(tm) software, ILM made a large purchase of our design/animation software, Alias Studio(tm). This underscores that Alias is the world's best modelor for designing products or designing products of the imagination." Alias is also providing ILM with Silicon Graphics IRIS 4D Series Powerstations and Personal IRIS(tm) hardware.

In addition to leaders in animation such as ILM, Alias counts BMW, Honda, General Motors, Sony, Motorola and Timex among its many design users. Last year, Alias sales were US $12 million. The company recently reported revenues for the first six months of 1990 at US $7,656,000 compared to $4,686,000 for same period last year. Alias is listed on NASDAQ under the symbol ADDDF. Alias sales offices are located across North America and Europe with distribution worldwide.

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#90274p0293 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
ELMHURST, Ill. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Elm Financial Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: ELMF), the holding company of Elmhurst Federal Savings Bank and its subsidiaries, today announced that a cash dividend of $.125 (twelve and one half cents) per share will be paid Oct. 25, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 15, 1990.

Commenting on the announcement, Charles H. Walsh, chairman, Elm Financial Services, Inc. and Elmhurst Federal Savings Bank, stated, ''We are pleased to distribute the first cash dividend to our stockholders since our conversion to a stock company on March 23, 1990. We have been encouraged by our performance results to date and want to reward our investors for their confidence in Elm Financial.''

Elmhurst Federal Savings Bank, the operating entity of Elm Financial Services, Inc., has its executive offices in Elmhurst, Ill., and operates through eight facilities, six of which are in Du Page County and two are in Chicago. The bank's deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

CONTACT: Martin J. Connolly, of Elm Financial Services Inc., 708-833-8000

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#90274p0296 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 2 PR NEWSWIRE -- Robert G. Hunter, chairman of the board of Continental Gold Corp., (NASDAQ: CNTVF; Vancouver, Toronto: CNT) advised that the company has today mailed a directors' circular to its shareholders in response to the take-over bid of Placer Dome Inc. made on September 21 1990. The directors' circular contains an unqualified recommendation that shareholders of Continental Gold Corp. accept the Placer offer and this recommendation is supported without qualification by the independent directors of the company, being those directors who are not subject to the lock-up arrangements with Placer. No recommendation is made by the directors with respect to whether shareholders intending to tender should elect the cash or share option offered.

CONTACT: Robert G. Hunter of Continental Gold Corp. 604-684-6365

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#90274p9738 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
AMSTERDAM (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Task Group Inc. (NYSE: TSK) (CTG), an international consulting, professional services and systems integration firm, today announced that it has acquired the Rendeck International Group of companies, a European supplier of consulting, professional services, training

and mainframe systems software.

Under the terms of the acquisition, CTG will acquire 100 percent of the shares of Rendeck International. As part of the agreement, Rendeck International will operate at CTG's European division which will be headed by Rendeck's Founder and Chairman, Barry Mence. CTG's United Kingdom operation will become an integral part of the new division.

Founded in 1966, CTG is the largest publicly held firm in the U.S. commercial professional services sector. Worldwide, CTG has more than 4,000 employees and provides service through 65 offices in seven countries. In the U.S., CTG focuses on commercial and industrial markets, with 85 of the Fortune 100 as clients.

Founded in 1976, the Rendeck International Group of companies had revenues of $24 million in 1989 and consists of a Dutch holding company with wholly owned subsidiaries in the Netherlands, Belgium and the United Kingdom and a majority-owned subsidiary in Denmark serving Scandinavia. Rendeck has 360 employees in Europe.

In June 1989 the IBM Corporation made an equity investment in CTG, acquiring 15.3 percent of the firm. CTG's relationship with IBM brings a substantial opportunity for the combined companies in Europe. In helping IBM develop software products, CTG has gained a competitive edge in the market and can provide first-hand knowledge of these products from the unique perspective of a developer.

David N. Campbell, chairman and chief executive officer of CTG, said the acquisition of Rendeck is a major strategic move for CTG.

"The objective of CTG is to be a recognized worldwide leader in the application of technology on behalf of our clients. International opportunities in our industry are substantial," Campbell said.

"Our strategic planning process confirms that professional services, consulting and systems integration are the growth areas of the '90s. Rendeck is clearly well-established and positioned with the capabilities and strengths to capitalize on these three major areas of growth throughout Europe. This synergy will in turn allow CTG to become a more active player in the open market of 1992 and beyond, and to position ourselves as a major worldwide force in information services."

Computer Task Group (CTG) is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol TSK. The Rendeck International Group of companies in publicly held but unlisted, with the majority of share held by Barry Mence.

CONTACT: Samuel D. Horgan, vice president, finance and chief financial officer, 716-887-7300, or Joanne Starr, manager, marketing communications,

716-887-7276, both of Computer Task Group Inc.

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#90274p9744 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMDEN, NJ (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Public Service Electric and Gas Company (PSE&G) put the spotlight or redevelopment opportunities in Camden today at the Harbor League Club as it launched a campaign to attract new business to this reborn city on the Delaware.

Speaking before an audience that included Deputy Commissioner Dennis Marco, Camden Mayor Aaron A. Thompson, and approximately 100 business and government officials, legislators, economic development professionals and developers with projects already driving Camden's revitalization, Stephen J. Kukan, PSE&G general manager-area development said, "Those firms with the imagination and foresight to be part of Camden's growth in its early stages will undoubtedly benefit the most from the new opportunities that exist today in the city."

According to Kukan, projects in Camden now total close to $1.5 billion. The $500-million waterfront development plan, which includes the construction of a $42-million aquarium, and the redevelopment of housing and the Central Business District, has initiated a surge of developer and investor interest in Camden.

The PSE&G Camden campaign includes a new full-color brochure -- "Camden: Preview of Coming Attractions," which depicts projects recently completed, under construction, or proposed, a detailed map of project sites, and information on available business incentives and persons to contact. In addition, PSE&G unveiled a new 15-minute videotape, "Camden: Primed for Growth," which was produced by Independent Video, Inc. The videotape highlights new developments in the city and includes comments from business leaders and Mayor Thompson.

Kukan presented the new Camden brochure and videotape to Mayor Thompson, noting that they will be useful in helping to project credible new business activity in the city, thereby serving as a catalyst to attract even greater levels of investment.

"The launching of PSE&G's city of Camden development program is a continuation of the urban initiatives campaign that we announced three years ago at Liberty State Park in Jersey City."

Two other urban centers, Trenton and Jersey City, will be showcased later this week as part of this effort. "Newark's redevelopment opportunities were previewed in April," Kukan said.

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-30- 2601
#90274p9748 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN DIEGO (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - A federal court jury of six people late last week awarded Brooktree Corp. approximately $26 million in damages as a result of patent and mask work infringements by Advanced Micro Devices (AMD) (NYSE: AMD). Additionally, the jury decided that AMD willfully infringed all three Brooktree patents, thus enabling the court in its discretion to increase the actual amount of the damages award.

Federal Judge William Enright has also issued an interlocutory injunction enjoining AMD from making, using or selling any infringing products. However, the court stayed the interlocutory injunction for 10 days to allow AMD an opportunity to attempt to obtain a stay of the injunction.

The products involved, designated as Bt451, Bt453, Bt458, Bt471 and Bt478 RAMDAC color palette chips, are used in graphics applications in engineering workstations and high resolution personal computers. Brooktree is a recognized leader in such graphics applications.

The award of damages by the jury and the grant of an interlocutory injunction by the court follow the jury's landmark verdict two weeks ago that AMD infringed three Brooktree patents as well as Brooktree's rights under the Semiconductor Chip Protection Act. That verdict sets a major legal precedent, since it is believed to be the first court decision under the Semiconductor Chip Protection Act since the Act became law in 1984. The Act was established to protect layout of circuits in semiconductor chips against unauthorized duplication, thus encouraging innovation, research and investment in the semiconductor industry.

Brooktree designs, manufactures and markets mixed-signal integrated circuits (IC) products for applications in computer graphics, electronic imaging and automatic test equipment (ATE). The company is headquartered in San Diego.

CONTACT: Joe Santen, VP corporate communications, or Cathy Batchelor, of Brooktree Corp., 619-452-7580 or 619-535-3273.

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#90274p9750 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - WTD Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: WTDI), announced today that it has reached an agreement in principle with its senior and working capital lenders that will improve the Company's cash position.

The agreement includes restructured principal payments and improved working capital borrowing arrangements, as well as relaxed financial covenants, which will bring the Company into compliance with its financing agreements.

"Our lenders have stated their support of our strategy to work our way through the cyclical downturn in our industry," said WTD president Bruce L. Engel.

"We are executing our plan to cut costs, selectively curtail operations, maximize cash flow, and we remain ready and able to respond to any movements in our resource or product markets that allow for improvement of bottom line results," said Engel.

"WTD has managed to maintain a strong ongoing position, despite the worst imbalance in log and lumber prices in recent years. We have also had to contend with repeated published rumors and speculations about our imminent demise, in many cases originated by short sellers of our stock and competitors. The support of our people and our lenders in the face of these operating conditions is gratifying," Engel added.

"As we said in May, we expected industry-wide production curtailments and decreases in log prices, reestablishing a more normal log and lumber price relationship. These developments are occurring. Lumber production has dropped more than 10 percent in July compared to a year ago and open market log prices have fallen sharply in many areas of Oregon and Washington since mid-August, with some regions experiencing double-digit percentage decreases," Engel continued.

"Our normal strategy of maintaining short log inventories at our mills is beginning to pay off as log prices continue to fall. Because we will not be caught with a large volume of high-cost log or timber commitments, we are better positioned than most lumber producers to take quick advantage of the changing log market," Engel stated.

"Recent log price declines are still not adequate to provide for general profitability, which we do not expect to occur until the first half of 1991," Engel said.

"We believe that the cyclical supply and demand problem will correct itself. We intend to emerge from today's adverse conditions a stronger and more prosperous company," Engel concluded.

CONTACT: Bruce Davis of WTD Industries, 503-246-3440.

-30- 2706

#90274p9751 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Transcisco Tours Inc. a subsidiary of Transcisco Industries Inc., a San Francisco based company (AMEX: TNIA, TNIB), today announced that it has appointed Terry Carter to the Director of Sales position. Carter will orchestrate both group and individual sales efforts for the Sierra 49er Express, the new train service between the San Francisco

Bay Area and Tahoe/Reno, which begins Dec. 7, 1990.

Carter will draw from fifteen years of experience and skills collected in the travel and tourism industry in his new position. Formerly the executive director of Aloha Pacific Cruises, senior vice president of American Hawaii Cruises and in sales and marketing positions with Sitmar Cruises and Delta Queen Steamboat, Terry understands the cruise experience.

"When you combine beautiful scenery, first-class comfort, attentive service, fine dining, popular destinations and good value, you'll capture the attention of the travel market," said Carter. "Those ingredients, which have made the cruise industry a $4-5 billion a year business, are also present in the Transcisco Tours rails excursions."

A California native, Carter knows the market, the product and the potential for success of the Sierra 49er Express rail tours. "There are very few travel markets which are more exciting, sophisticated and challenging than Northern California. Having watched the area grow, I also know that people are looking for alternatives to car travel on congested freeways. Our new rail tour packages answer that need."

Transcisco Industries has a railcar maintenance and retrofitting division, it owns 36 percent of PLM International, an AMEX-listed diversified equipment leasing company, and Transcisco owns 20 percent of SOVFINAMTRANS, a U.S.S.R. railcar leasing company that operates tank cars with Transcisco's Uni-Temp heating system. Transisco expects to diversify its exposure, both in equipment-types and geography, to proprietary transportation equipment, parts and operating businesses using its own unique technologies and its proven financing skills.

CONTACT: Jack Chatham of Transcisco, 415-477-0569

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#90274p9755 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORANGE, CA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Bergen Brunswig (AMEX: BBC) today reported sales and earnings growth for the year and the fourth fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Net sales and other revenues for the year were $4.44 billion, an increase of 13 percent compared to $3.92 billion in fiscal 1989. Net earnings for the 1990 fiscal year of $66.1 million compared to $47.6 million, a 39 percent improvement over the prior year. The 1990 results include a $3.5 million extraordinary gain from early debt extinguishment equal to $.09 fully diluted per share. Including the extraordinary gain, fully diluted earnings per share of $1.84 were up 11 percent from the $1.66 in fiscal 1989.

For the fourth quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, net sales and other revenues of

$1.12 billion were up 13 percent over the $998 million recorded in 1989. Net earnings of $14.5 million equal to $.41 per fully diluted share compare to $10.7 million and $.35 per share in the 1989 period, respective increases of 35 percent and 17 percent. The average number of fully diluted shares outstanding in the 1990 quarter of 40.6 million were 18 percent greater than the 34.3 million shares in 1989.

Commenting on the results, Robert E. Martini, president and chief executive officer, said, "Bergen Brunswig Drug Company continued the strong sales growth performance, posting a 15.6 percent gain in the fourth quarter and finishing the fiscal year with a gain of 15.3 percent. Although the gross profit margin rate was slightly below the prior year, the contribution from the increase in sales and effective operating expense controls produced a significant improvement in operating earnings.

"Commtron Corporation's 1990 sales of $554 million compare to $550 million in the year ended August 31, 1989. Net earnings for the year increased 17 percent to $9.2 million compared to $7.9 million in fiscal 1989. Contributing factors to the net earnings improvement were operating expense efficiencies and working capital management which generated a significant increase in interest income."

Bergen Brunswig Corp. is one of the nation's largest distributors of prescription pharmaceuticals and other healthcare products and the largest national distributor of prerecorded video cassettes.

CONTACT: George E. Reinhardt Jr., VP of Bergen Brunswig, 714-385-4000; Don Reynolds of Don Reynolds-Los Angeles, 213-275-9024, or Gary Fishman of Don Reynolds-New York, 212-661-1830.

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#90274p9758 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES MOINES, IOWA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Commtron Corp. (AMEX: CMR) today reported net earnings growth for the fourth fiscal quarter and year ended Aug. 31, 1990. For the quarter, net earnings increased 14 percent to $2.0 million on sales of $119.4 million compared to $128.4 million last year. For the year, net earnings increased 17 percent to $9.2 million on sales of $554.1 million compared to $550.0 million last year. On a per share basis, net earnings for the quarter increased to $0.19 compared to $0.17, and for the year increased to $0.90 compared to $0.78.

For the quarter, home video sales were $97.7 million compared to $100.2 million as sales of new releases increased while sales of catalog product declined compared to a year ago when there was a wave of new store openings. Consumer electronics sales were $21.7 million compared to $28.2 million, reflecting the company's strategic decision to refocus efforts on its most profitable product categories and deemphasize those with less potential. For

the year, home video sales increased to $451.9 million compared to $430.4 million due to increased sales of rental and sell through product. Consumer electronics sales were $102.2 million compared to $119.6 million a year ago.

Robert E. Martini, vice chairman and president, said, "We are pleased with the steady stream of excellent home video releases that flowed during the year and the operating expense efficiencies that accompanied a significantly higher unit volume. Also contributing to the 17 percent improvement in fiscal 1990 net earnings was a $2.4 million increase in interest income; lower bad debt expense; and cost reductions associated with the centralization of many inventory, shipping and warehousing functions."

Commtron Corp. is the nation's largest distributor of prerecorded videocassettes.

CONTACT: Stephen M. Lacy, VP, CFO, of Commtron Corp., 515-226-3000; or Gary Fishman, 212-661-1830, or Don Reynolds, 213-275-9024, of Don Reynolds Associates for Commtron Corp

-30- 2214

#90274p9759 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CT (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - As announced on Sept. 27, Union Carbide Corporation (NYSE: UK) is commencing today a "Dutch Auction" tender offer to purchase 20 million shares of its common stock. The company is inviting its shareholders to tender shares at prices, not greater than $17.50 nor less than $14 per share, specified by tendering shareholders.

The offer, proration period, and withdrawal rights expire at midnight, Eastern Time, Monday, Oct. 29, 1990, unless the offer is extended.

The dealer manager for the offer is Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated. The depositary and information agent is First Chicago Trust Company of New York.

CONTACT: E. W. Van Den Ameele of Union Carbide, 203-794-6985.

-30- 899

#90274p9760 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - LIDAK Pharmaceuticals (NASDAQ: LDAKU) announced today that arrangements have been completed to begin detailed clinical therapeutic studies of LIDAKOL(TM), its topical anti-viral compound, in female patients with recurrent genital herpes infections.

The studies, which were recently approved by the University of California, San Diego School of Medicine Institutional Review Board, will be conducted under the supervision of the Division of Obstetrics and Gynecology in the Department of Reproductive Medicine at UCSD Medical Center.

They will be directed toward confirming the company's preliminary clinical results in human volunteers and providing additional supporting laboratory data on the effectiveness of LIDAKOL(TM) in diminishing quantities of infectious herpes virus in the active recurrent lesions.

LIDAK Pharmaceuticals is a biotechnology company organized to develop and commercialize innovative pharmaceutical products. The first such product is LIDAKOL(TM), a patented, topical therapeutic compound which has produced positive results in volunteer patients suffering from oral and genital herpes infections and certain inflammatory skin diseases.

LIDAK has engaged in a strategic alliance with Medical Biology Institute which includes a 20-year license agreement giving LIDAK exclusive rights to all MBI technology.

CONTACT: David H. Katz, M.D., chairman and chief executive of LIDAK Pharmaceuticals, 619-558-0364.

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#90274p9763 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Vestron Inc. (NYSE: VV) today announced that the three largest holders of Vestron's subordinated debt have agreed in principle to accept a proposal made by LIVE Entertainment Inc. (NYSE: LVE) to acquire substantially all of Vestron's operating assets and liabilities in exchange for a package of LIVE equity securities.

Under LIVE's proposal, the holders of Vestron's $115 million of subordinated debt would receive LIVE convertible preferred stock with a liquidation value of $21 million, plus the unpaid cash interest payment due Sept. 1, 1990, and contingent rights representing the right to receive future payments in LIVE common stock or cash if net revenues realized by LIVE from the exploitation of Vestron's program rights exceed certain levels. Holders of Vestron's common stock would receive a small percentage of the contingent rights. The agreement with LIVE also provides for payment of all Vestron royalty obligations and trade creditors in full.

The agreement with LIVE requires a "consensual" pre-negotiated Chapter 11 filing and a confirmed plan of reorganization as a condition for completion of the transaction. The parties contemplate the Chapter 11 filing as soon as definitive agreements are signed by Vestron with LIVE and with certain holders of Vestron's subordinated debt.

CONTACT: Sheldon Rabinowitz of Vestron, 203-978-5400; or John T. McInerney of the Abernathy/MacGregor Group, 212-371-5999, for Vestron.

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#90274p9764 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
BALTIMORE (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - MNC Financial Inc. (NYSE: MNC) today announced it has closed its previously reported $750 million secured 18-month revolving credit facility from a syndicate of nine banks led by Morgan Guaranty Trust Co., of New York.

CONTACT: Daniel G. Finney, senior vp-corporate communications, 301-547-4038, or David W. Spartin, vp and director of investor relations, 301-547-4410, both of MNC Financial.

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#90274p9765 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Telematics International, Inc. (NASDAQ: TMAX), announced today that the revenue expectations of $17 to $20 million for the third quarter, ended Sept. 30, 1990, will not be met, and, consequently, the company expects to report a loss.

The expected shortfall is due primarily to recent softness in the intelligent networking marketplace. The company said that while its business in the United States is improving, both domestic and foreign sales have been impacted by delays in customers' capital spending, in part due to the economic volatility related to the Middle East situation.

William A. Hightower, president and chief executive officer of Telematics commented, "In view of the uncertainty regarding worldwide economic conditions Telematics will begin a series of actions designed to further increase productivity and reduce the company's overall spending by approximately 15 percent.

"Our efforts will be focused on continuing to reduce our overhead, streamline our business operations, and improve profitability. We are continuing to make significant investments in market coverage, the support of our customers and product development. Overall, our products continue to be well received by our customers and we remain confident about our future," added Hightower.

The company expects to report its third quarter results during the week of Oct. 22, 1990.

Founded in 1982, Telematics designs, manufactures and markets computer systems and software products designed specifically for voice and data communications applications and networks. The company's products include a full range of programmable packet switching systems, low-end protocol converters and switches, T1 multiplexers, and frame relay switches. Telematics has approximately 400 employees worldwide. Headquartered in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Telematics also has facilities in Calabasas and San Mateo, California; Herndon, Va.; Basingstoke, England; Paris; Frankfurt, Germany; and Tokyo.

CONTACT: Miriam K. Frazer, vice president of corporate communications, secretary, treasurer and acting chief financial officer of Telematics International, Inc., 305-772-3070.

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JENKINTOWN, PA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors announced that Frank P. Felton 3rd, chairman and chief executive officer of Flagship Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: FLGF), has elected to retire from these posts, effective today, and will retire as chief executive officer of Flagship's wholly owned subsidiary, First American Savings, effective Dec. 31, 1990.

Felton will remain chairman of the board of First American. In addition, Felton will retire from the board of directors of Brandywine Savings Bank, Flagship's wholly owned subsidiary, effective today.

The boards of directors of Flagship and First American have appointed John M. Mason, president and chief operating officer, to the position of chief executive officer of each company, concurrent with Felton's retirement from these positions. Additionally, Mason has been elected to Flagship's board for Felton's remaining term. These elections are subject to regulatory approval and Mason will continue to fulfill his current responsibilities.

Raymond W. McConnell, a member of Flagship's board of directors, will assume the position of chairman of the board of Flagship, effective today.

Commenting on these developments, McConnell stated, "Frank has devoted 27 years of exemplary service to the companies and his leadership has been the driving force behind First American's growth from a $35 million mutual savings and loan to the approximately $1 billion publicly traded multiple-thrift holding company that Flagship is today. Under Frank's steady guidance, Flagship's subsidiaries have become diversified financial service companies with two of the highest capital ratios in Pennsylvania."

Following up on these sentiments, Thomas L. Ashbridge III, a Flagship director said, "The combination of Frank's experience and vast industry knowledge, his reputation and high regard among his contemporaries, as well as his relationship with customers and the community have been the cornerstone of support for First American and Flagship."

According to Felton, "It has been my privilege and pleasure to work with many fine people over the years. Although this type of personal decision is always difficult, I am convinced that now is the proper time for a changing of the guard. I have every confidence in John Mason's ability to lead Flagship and First American into the future, in a manner consistent with the fundamental corporate goals that built both companies."

Mason joined First American in December 1987 as executive vice president and chief operating officer and was later elected to president. Upon the formation of Flagship Financial in June 1989, Mason was elected to president and chief operating officer of the holding company. At that time, Mason was also elected to the board of directors of Brandywine Savings.

Commenting on these announcements, Mason said, "I am deeply honored to have been chosen by both boards to follow in Frank's footsteps. Frank was clearly the force that guided First American and Flagship to their present enviable positions within the industry. I have learned a great deal from Frank and will work to apply that knowledge, along with my own experience and business background, to lead Flagship into the future."

Flagship Financial, which ranks among the 10 largest publicly traded thrifts in Pennsylvania, conducts business through its wholly owned subsidiaries First American Savings and Brandywine Savings Bank. First American currently operates 12 full-service and six "convenience" offices in Pennsylvania and New Jersey; its five New Jersey facilities are expected to be closed by year end. Brandywine Savings Bank operates nine full-service offices in Chester County, Pa. The common stock of Flagship Financial is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FLGF.

CONTACT: Bonnie P. Ciaramella of Flagship Financial, 215-576-3078.

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PARSIPPANY, NJ (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Armco Inc. (NYSE: AS) today announced that it will pay its regular $.10 per share common stock dividend for the second quarter of 1990, which it conditionally declared on July 27, 1990, since it successfully completed its consent solicitation and offer to purchase its 13-/2 percent senior notes due 1994. The dividend will be payable Oct. 16 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 9, 1990.

Because a provision in the indenture relating to the 13-1/2 percent notes prevented payment of the common stock dividend, Armco needed the consent of holders of 50.1 percent of the $164 million of outstanding notes to amend the indenture to permit payment of the dividend.

In connection with the consent solicitation, Armco offered to pay a consent fee of $17.50 for each $1,000 principal amount of notes for which a consent was properly delivered, and to purchase up to 30 percent of the outstanding notes at a price of $1,070 plus accrued interest for each $1,000 principal amount of notes for which a consent was properly delivered.

As of the close of business on Sept. 28, 1990, consents representing $138,270,000 of principal amount of the notes, or 84 percent thereof, had been

deposited. Of this amount, $88,305,000 of principal amount of the notes, or 54 percent of the amount outstanding, had been tendered and deposited. Since the amount of notes tendered and deposited exceeds 30 percent of the outstanding notes, the purchase of tendered notes will be prorated. The consent fee will be paid with respect to all notes validly tendered.

CONTACT: A. Lee Bland of Armco, 201-316-5266.

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COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - ICN Biomedicals, Inc. (AMEX: BIM), today announced record results for the fiscal third quarter and nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter increased 130 percent to a third quarter record $31.1 million compared to $13.5 million in the comparable quarter last year. Net income for the quarter rose to a record $2.8 million, up 47 percent from $1.9 million a year ago. Earnings per share gained 33 percent to 25 cents versus 18 cents last year. Last year's quarter included 1 cent per share from repurchase of debt.

Fiscal nine month results reflected record performance with net sales up 144 percent to $99.4 million versus $40.6 million in the comparable year-ago period. Net income for the fiscal nine months rose 70 percent to $7.5 million compared with $4.4 million a year ago. Earnings per share equalled 67 cents versus 41 cents. Last year's nine months included 4 cents per share from repurchase of debt.

The company has now reported seven consecutive quarterly improvements over the comparable prior-year quarters in its financial performance with each of the past three quarters sequentially stronger than the preceding quarter. The successful acquisition of Flow Laboratories in November 1989 contributed significantly to the company's sales and earnings growth trend exhibited in the third quarter and first nine month reported results. International sales represented 57 percent of the total in the nine month period while domestic revenues accounted for the remainder.

Commenting on the results, Fred Andrea, president and chief operating officer of ICN Biomedicals, stated, "The successful integration of Flow Laboratories into Biomedicals has yielded strong growth for the company in the first nine months."

CONTACT: Dominic Liuzzi of ICN Biomedicals, 714-545-0100.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Pride Petroleum Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: PRDE) announced today that it has entered into a transaction involving the $7,688,000 principal amount of the commercial paper of Mortgage Realty and Trust (MRT) owned by Pride which has provided Pride with (a) cash in the amount of $5,766,000 of the principal amount of such paper plus certain accrued interest and (b) the right to receive payments ultimately made by MRT on the balance of $1,922,000 principal amount plus additional interest to the date of payment.

Pride Petroleum Services, Inc., headquartered in Houston, is one of the largest well servicing contractors in the United States. The company currently owns 378 rigs and operates from locations in East and West Texas, along the Texas/Louisiana Gulf Coast, in California and New Mexico.

CONTACT: Eugene C. Fowler, vice president and CFO of Pride Petroleum Services 713-871-8567 or Pat Hoyt of Hoyt & Associates, 713/665-2549, for Pride Petroleum.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - American Health Properties Inc. (NYSE: AHE) announced today that it has entered into agreements to purchase upon completion two acute medical rehabilitation hospitals at a total investment of approximately $36.1 million.

The development of both facilities will be supervised by Continental Medical Systems Inc. (OTC: CONT) and operated by CONT upon completion. CONT has also provided certain guarantees related to the timely, on-budget completion of construction. The construction of the hospitals will be initially funded under construction loan agreements between the project developers and local banking institutions, supported by AHE's purchase commitment.

Pursuant to these agreements, a 60-bed rehabilitation hospital will be constructed in the Houston suburb of Clear Lake, Texas, at a total cost of approximately $10.9 million. At the same time, AHE announced that it has previously entered into an agreement providing for the purchase upon completion of a 110-bed rehabilitation hospital currently under construction in San Diego, Calif., for approximately $25.2 million. That hospital is being developed by Oliver MacMillan, a major San Diego-based developer, in conjunction with CONT, as a part of a large multi-use community development.

Both hospitals are expected to open in late 1991 and will be leased to CONT. The lease term of 10 years, with three additional 10-year renewal options, will commence upon completion of each hospital. Income to AHE will include purchase commitment fees, base rental plus percentage rental based upon the revenue growth of each facility.

"These investments reflect our continuing commitment to the development of high-quality rehabilitation hospitals located in strategically important markets," said Robert L. B. Diener, president and chief operating officer of the company.

American Health Properties is a real estate investment trust (REIT) specializing in the financing of quality healthcare facilities. The company's investments include 18 acute care, rehabilitation and psychiatric properties located in 12 states.

CONTACT: Darlene Rose-Siegel of American Health Properties, 213-477-9399.

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ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of its continuing increase in station automation, KOTV, a CBS affiliate in Tulsa, Oka., has purchased an Odetics TCS2000 video cart machine with an XR-800 External VTR Controller. The TCS2000 is a computerized system that manages all aspects of video cart library inventory, and records and plays-to-air all forms of spots and programs in one self-contained unit.

Ranked No.1 in the Tulsa area for their 10:00 p.m. evening newscast, KOTV also serves 24 adjacent counties in the market. The station will use the Betacam-SP format TCS2000 Cart Machine to air all spots and some programs. The XR-800 external VTR controller will allow the station to record or playback spots and programs on external 1/2' and 1' C-format videotape machines under the computer control of the TCS2000 Cart Machine system.

According to Don Stafford, chief engineer for KOTV, the decision to upgrade its existing TCR100s to the Odetics cart machine was in part due to the success stories of its sister stations KXTV, Sacramento and WVEC, Norfolk. The Odetics team worked with each individual station to tailor the equipment configuration to fit their needs. "Our sister stations' successful track record with the TCS2000 speaks for itself -- couple that with the fact the TCS2000 fits our purposes better than other equipment we looked at, and it's easy to see that we made the logical choice."

KOTV is owned by A.H. Belo Corp., Broadcast division, headquartered in Dallas.

Celebrating its 21st year, Anaheim-based Odetics is a leading manufacturer of large library management cart systems playing directly to air throughout the world.

CONTACT: Holly L. Barnett, APR, of Odetics, 714-774-5000.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - With today's introduction of the T5200C portable computer, Toshiba America Information Systems has matched the functionality of most desktop computer systems, while maintaining the advantages of portability.

The new T5200C, with its vivid color display, is perhaps the industry's most striking example of the high-end portable desktop computer, which Toshiba defines as a portable computer with an 80386 or 80386SX microprocessor, a high-resolution display, IBM-compatible expansion slots, and both fixed- and removable-disk drives for data storage. In short, these are machines that can substitute for desktop machines in all but particular, specialized applications.

"The day of the portable desktop computer has finally dawned in earnest," declared Tom Martin, vice president of marketing for Toshiba's Computer Systems Division. "In an era when windows and other graphical user interfaces have made ease of use an increasingly important factor in the personal computer industry, Toshiba's continued emphasis on the advantages of portable computing is proving to be right on the money."

In a study commissioned by Toshiba, Arthur D. Little Inc., the international management and technology consulting firm, tabulated the perceptions of both desktop users and portable users. According to the study, 98 percent of the users of portable computers "credit the flexibility and freedom their portables provide for gains in efficiency and effectiveness," -- gains rated by half of them as exceeding 25 percent.

The study also notes a tendency toward more thorough use of the computer's resources among portable users. For example 75 percent of all portable users make use of software productivity features, versus only 48 percent for users of desktop PCs. The study shows that portable computer users "integrate their systems more broadly in their work, using an average of 5.7 applications versus 3.8 for desktop users."

In conclusion, the study notes that "... it seems clear that portable PCs and higher productivity are linked."

Toshiba America Information Systems is a wholly owned subsidiary of Toshiba America Inc. Five divisions within TAIS market a wide range of office automation products within the United States. The Toshiba Computer Systems Divisions markets and supports high-quality Toshiba portable personal computers and peripherals for the United States marketplace.

CONTACT: Howard Emerson of Toshiba America Information Systems Inc., 714-583-3925, or Brenda Bennett of Hill & Knowlton Inc., 714-752-1106, for Toshiba America Information Systems Inc.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Weitek Corp. (NASDAQ: WWTK) today announced price reductions of its 3167 and 4167 math coprocessors for 386- and 486- based systems, making Weitek performance available at the same prices as lower-performing Intel coprocessors. The new suggested retail prices for the 3167 are: $495 for the 20-MHz version, $795 for the 25-MHz part and $995 for the 33-MHz device. The new 4167 prices are $995 and $1,295 for the 25-MHz and 33-MHz versions, respectively.

The 3167 and 4167 are the fastest math coprocessors for personal computers in floating-point intensive processing applications such as CAD/CAM, graphics, animation, scientific and high-end business applications. The Weitek coprocessors are supported by a variety of software vendors including Autodesk CADKEY and Versa CAD, among others.

Weitek is the leading supplier of high-performance numeric processing solutions. The company's VLSI circuits and development tools power a broad range of computer systems from minisupercomputers and engineering workstations to desktop computers and page printers.

CONTACT: Melanie Taylor of Weitek Corp., 408-738-8400.

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FORT MILL, SC (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Springs Industries, Inc. (NYSE: SMI) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the re-purchase of up to one million shares of the company's Class A common stock.

Purchases will be at such times and at such prices as the company deems appropriate.

"Given recent price levels of Springs' common stock, our board of directors believes the re-purchase plan will benefit shareholders and represents a prudent investment for the company," said Walter Y. Elisha, Springs Chairman.

There are approximately 9.7 million shares of Springs Class A common stock outstanding. On September 28, the stock closed on the New York Stock Exchange at $18 7/8 a share.

Springs manufactures and markets products for the family, home and industry, and is a leader in key areas of the company's three major businesses: home furnishings, finished fabrics and industrial textiles.

CONTACT: Robert E. Slough, Director-Public Relations, Springs Industries, Inc., 803-547-3738.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - BFGoodrich's (NYSE: GR) Geon Vinyl Division and General Polymers (GP) have signed a distribution agreement, which will make GP the distributor of Goodrich's Geon(R) vinyl custom injection molding compounds nationwide.

Under the terms of the contract, General Polymers will serve as a distributor for BFGoodrich Geon rigid and flexible vinyl custom injection molding compounds, which includes Goodrich's engineering grade Fiberloc(R) glass-fiber reinforced vinyl composite products. BFGoodrich Geon vinyl custom injection molding compounds are used in the production of a wide variety of products including computer and appliance housings, washer and dryer consoles, telecommunication and electrical apparatuses, fluid handling parts and other diverse applications.

"The agreement represents a huge step forward in the development of BFGoodrich's molding market," said Mike Miller, manager of distributor operations. "In addition to expanding its sales efforts, the business arrangement will improve Goodrich's service and support system for its molding customers.

"We're very excited about our new relationship with General Polymers and the potential for additional market penetration in the molding community," said Miller. "This agreement brings the leader in vinyl molding compounds and the leader in plastics distribution together for the mutual benefit of our customers."

"Our sales force is very eager to represent BFGoodrich Geon vinyl custom injection molding compounds, and all of us at General Polymers welcome the opportunity to distribute such a high quality material suited for a wide variety of applications," said Dave Skoczen, director of supplier relations. "Prior to this nationwide agreement, we distributed Geon vinyl in Illinois and Florida for two years and saw substantial growth in sales to our customers."

General Polymers, a division of Ashland Chemical, Inc., is the leading distributor of packaged thermoplastic resins to plastic processors in North America. GP operats 17 distribution centers in the continental United States.

CONTACT: Liz Smith of BFGoodrich, 216-447-6524, or Pete Loscocco of General Polymers, 614-889-3715.

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MALVERN, PA. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Felix Zandman, chairman and chief

executive officer of Vishay Intertechnology Inc. (NYSE: VSH) announced today that the board of directors has authorized the company to initiate immediately a stock repurchase program pursuant to which the company may purchase up to $5 million worth of its common stock.

At the close of business on Sept. 28, 1990, Vishay's common stock closed at $10-3/4. The company had 11,081,541 shares of common stock and 3,308,492 shares of Class B common stock outstanding as of Aug. 1, 1990.

Commenting on the stock purchase, Zandman stated: "We feel that the current price of our stock at approximately six times reported earnings for the previous four quarters does not adequately reflect Vishay's value. The company is confident in its prospects for continued profitability due to new product introductions and cost reductions provided by increased productivity, synergies, consolidations and debt paydown."

The stock purchases will be made in open-market transactions, subject to the availability of stock in accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Vishay Intertechnology Inc. is a leading U.S. and European producer of a wide range of electronic resistors and resistive sensors. It also is a major producer of other types of passive electronic components. The company's products are used in a broad range of industries.

CONTACT: Sharon L. Vinette of Vishay Intertechnology, 215-644-1300/ (VSH)
CO: Vishay Intertechnology, Inc. ST: Pennsylvania IN: CPR SU:

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - CalMat Co. (NYSE: CZM) announced today a transaction in which Onoda California, Inc. ("Onoda"), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Onoda Cement Co., Ltd. of Japan, acquired from CalMat all of the stock of California Portland Cement Co. ("CPC") in exchange for 5,834,070 shares of CalMat stock held by Onoda.

In the exchange, the CPC stock was initially valued at $310 million and the CalMat shares at $39.31 each. The CPC stock value was adjusted according to various factors provided for in the agreement, and by a payment, in the form of a $68 million cash dividend from CPC to CalMat, and by the assumption of $18 million in debt by CPC, which equalized the CPC stock value with that of the CalMat shares exchanged. The final transaction value is subject to post-closing audit and adjustment.

CalMat expects to provide pro forma financial statements reflecting this transaction in a Current Report on Form 8-K to be filed by Oct. 15, 1990.

The assets of CPC include three cement-manufacturing facilities located in California and Arizona, thirteen Los Angeles-area ready-mixed concrete plants, three cement transfer terminals and a 50-percent interest in a cement import terminal located in Los Angeles.

CalMat will continue its other business segments as one of the nation's largest suppliers of sand and gravel, asphalt and ready-mixed concrete, with 36 aggregates plants, 41 asphalt plants and 60 ready- mixed concrete plants. CalMat's properties division operates in support of the construction materials businesses with approximately 34,000 acres of property, including land held as aggregates reserves and land held for sale or being reclaimed.

CONTACT: Ron Hadfield of CalMat Company, 213-258-2777

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Election of Morry Weiss, president and chief executive officer, American Greetings Corporation (NASDAQ: AGREA), to the board of directors of National City Bank, Cleveland, was announced today by David A. Daberko, president and chief executive officer.

"We are pleased to have such an outstanding business and community leader as Mr. Weiss join our board and look forward to having the benefit of his experience and counsel," Daberko said.

Weiss joined American Greetings in 1961 and has held varied responsibilities that included group vice president of sales, marketing and creative. In 1978, he was appointed president and chief operating officer. In 1987, he was elected chief executive officer.

In addition to his corporate responsibilities, Weiss is active in community affairs, including United Way, United Jewish Appeal, and the Cleveland Ballet. As a trustee of the Jewish Community Federation, he is involved in many of its agencies and committees.

A graduate of Case Western Reserve University, Weiss is a resident of University Heights.

National City Bank is the lead bank of National City Corporation (NYSE: NCC), a super-regional bank holding company with assets of $23 billion.

CONTACT: David W. Talbott of National City Bank, 216-575-2512.

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ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Distributed Logic Corp. (NASDAQ: DLOG)

announced today that it has engaged Global America Inc., a New York investment banking firm, to pursue a private placement of equity securities in order to provide additional financing for the company. In addition, Global America has informed the company that it intends to commence making a market in the company's common stock.

"This proposed offering is one element of our previously announced plan to raise working capital and reduce debt," said Glenn C. Salley, chairman and chief executive officer. "In addition, we will continue to pursue other avenues which, in conjunction with this offering, are intended to provide the working capital necessary to allow the company to execute its strategic plan to capitalize on the worldwide marketing channels that were acquired from the Plessey Company plc in a leveraged acquisition in 1987."

Although the terms of the financing have not been set, it is expected that the financing, if consummated, would involve the issuance of a substantial number of shares, principally to institutions in Europe, Salley indicated.

Headquartered in Anaheim, Distributed Logic is a leading supplier of peripheral and communications controllers, data storage subsystems and integrated computer systems for the Digital Equipment Corporation and Sun Microsystems Inc. marketplaces. The company has major manufacturing and sales facilities in Canada, the United Kingdom and Switzerland, and provides sales, service and distribution support in 32 countries around the world.

For further information, contact Mr. Glenn C. Salley, chairman and chief executive officer, Distributed Logic Corp., 1555 S. Sinclair Street, Anaheim, CA 92806. Telephone: 714-937-5700.

CONTACT: Don Allen, Sr. VP, Roberts-Mealer-Cunningham, 714-957-1314, for Distributed Logic Corp.

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PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Bond Brewing Holdings Limited (BBH) today announced that the depositary has advised BBH that, as of midnight EDT, on Friday, Sept. 28, 1990, approximately 98 percent in principal amount outstanding of 12-5/8 percent extendible subordinated debentures of BBH had been tendered to the depositary pursuant to the tender offer by BBH's wholly-owned subsidiary, Dimola Pty. Ltd., to purchase up to 90 percent in principal amount outstanding of debentures. However, the depositary has been unable to confirm that the holders of such debentures have executed and delivered the agreement and release, and therefore BBH is unable to confirm that the minimum tender condition has been satisfied.

Accordingly, Dimola has extended the tender offer and the associated proration period until 4 p.m., EDT, on Monday, Oct. 1, 1990, to allow time for tendering

debentureholders who have not done so to execute and deliver such agreement and release to the depositary. Tendering debentureholders who require assistance as to the execution and delivery of the agreement and release and proper tender procedures in general are urged to contact Hill & Knowlton, the information agent, or Bankers Trust Company, the depositary. Debentures tendered pursuant to the tender offer may be withdrawn at any time prior to the expiration of the tender offer, and if not sooner purchased by Dimola pursuant to the tender offer, at any time after midnight, EDT, on the third business day following the expiration date.

BBH indicated that, subject to the satisfaction of the other conditions to the tender offer, BBH intends to accept debentures for purchase following its confirmation that debentureholders have executed and delivered the requisite percentage of releases. In this connection, BBH also disclosed that the lenders under Dimola's tender offer facility have advised BBH that such lenders have drawn down or otherwise assembled funds which, subject to the satisfaction of the conditions to the tender offer, will be released to the depositary to finance the purchase of at least 90 percent in principal amount outstanding of debentures.

BBH also disclosed that it has funds available for deposit with the trustee in order to pay all amounts not already on deposit with the trustee in respect of accrued interest on the debentures for the six month periods ended Nov. 30, 1989 and May 31, 1990 on the date debentures are accepted for purchase, as provided in the tender offer. BBH also has been informed by the lenders that they are evaluating the possibility of financing the purchase of any and all debentures accepted for purchase pursuant to the tender offer.

CONTACT: James Rawlings of Hill and Knowlton, 212-223-4202, for Bond Brewing Holdings Limited.

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OKLAHOMA CITY (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Hadson Corporation (NYSE: HAD) today announced that it will seek potential buyers for its power systems group, Hadson Power Systems, Inc. Hadson Power Systems is an independent developer and producer of electricity as well as a provider of engineering, construction and operations and maintenance services to the electric power industry.

J. Michael Adcock, president of Hadson, said: "It is anticipated that the sale of both of our defense subsidiaries will be closed within the near future. All of the proceeds from these sales will be used to repay long-term debt under our senior notes held by the Prudential Insurance Company of America and the company's revolving credit facility with Bank of America. The company's consolidated long-term debt outstanding after such repayment will be approximately $140 million.

"Given the size of the remaining debt, the amount of capital required for growth of the power systems group, and in order to better position the company in the natural gas marketing and transmission business, we have instructed our financial adviser, Goldman Sachs & Co., to investigate the market for the possible sale of our power systems group.

"Following a successful sale of the power systems group, the company will initiate steps to effect a business combination of undetermined form involving the company and Hadson Energy Resources Corporation, in which the company has a 49 percent common stock ownership interest.

"We believe after the above steps have been concluded, the company will have largely eliminated its long-term debt and will have structured itself to take full advantage of its position in the natural gas and energy products businesses."

Hadson Corporation is an independent producer and supplier of energy and electricity products as well as an electric power industry services firm. Hadson has operations in natural gas and gas liquids; and is a leader in the development, construction, operation and ownership of independent electric power generation facilities.

CONTACT: J. Michael Adcock, president and chief operating officer of Hadson, 405-235-9531.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Beazer PLC, the international construction, building materials and housebuilding group, has established a new business to provide environmental construction services to clients in the United States and worldwide, it was announced today.

Beazer Environmental Services Inc., based in Pittsburgh, will provide contracting for groundwater extraction and treatment facilities; wastewater treatment plants; decommissioning and closure of RCRA (Resource Conservation and Recovery Act) facilities; operation and maintenance of water/waste treatment plants; soil and water bio-treatment applications; and engineering services.

Dean F. McAllister, 40, president and chief operating officer, said, "Our specialty is converting remedial design and specifications into field construction. We offer a skilled, fully bonded worldwide construction group with a history of cost-effective performance, and a support group providing close coordination with clients' staff and consultants."

Beazer construction firms in the United States include Tidewater Construction Corp., Norfolk, Va.; Nello L. Teer Co., Durham, N.C.; CDK Contracting Co.,

Farmington, N.M.; Echols Brothers Inc., Staunton, Va.; HRI Inc., State College Pa.; and Sully-Miller Contracting Co., Long Beach, Calif. In addition, Beazer construction units operate internationally, with a principal portion of their business in the United Kingdom and operations in the Middle East, the Far East, Africa and the Caribbean.

Beazer Environmental Services' construction capabilities will be focused on managing complete remediation programs; providing equipment and personnel for major earthwork projects, grading and excavation, construction of treatment plants; field application of demonstrated technologies; and process design as required for remediation work.

The company's overall services include environmental consulting, project management, engineering services, construction management and remedial action contracting.

CONTACT: G.B. Wellner of Beazer Environmental Services, 412-227-2601.

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HUNTINGDON VALLEY, PA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthcare Services Group Inc. (NASDAQ: HCSG) announced today that it has been notified by National Heritage Inc. (NYSE: NHR) that it intends, due to their significant corporate restructuring, to terminate, effective today, the agreements by which the company services 58 facilities that are either managed, leased, or controlled by National Heritage Inc. or an affiliate.

In addition, Quest Rescue Partners has notified the company of its intentions of canceling 18 facilities effective today.

These agreements represent facilities that were part of the company's acquisition in 1988 of American Services Co. The termination of these agreements will result in the return to the company of approximately 300,000 shares of its common stock.

The company's recent marketing efforts have resulted in obtaining during August and September 1990 service agreements with more than 102 new facilities. These new service agreements allow the company to immediately replace the revenues lost from the canceled facilities. The company said it expects to continue to show growth in both revenues and earnings during the third and fourth quarters of 1990.

CONTACT: Daniel P. McCartney, president and chairman, or Thomas A. Cook, executive vp and CFO of Healthcare Services Group, 215-938-1661, or 800-523-2248

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - SAP America, Inc., a subsidiary of SAP AG one of West Germany's leading software developers, today announced a sales contract valued at $300,000 with PolyGram Records, Inc., one of the three largest record companies in the world. The contract calls for the implementation of SAP's R/2 System throughout PolyGram's U.S. operations. The R/2 System is an online, realtime application software system that handles a full range of business functions.

Specifically, PolyGram will install the R/2 System's financial (RF) and cost accounting (RK) modules which include general ledger, accounts payable and cost center accounting applications, slated to be operational in the U.S. by April 1991.

According to Gary Manganiello, PolyGram's director of systems and applications the contract came in response to a PolyGram IS directive to standardize the company's financial systems across all business units. PolyGram's European operations have been using the R/2 System for more than six years.

"As PolyGram continues to aggressively expand its operations, one of the central IS challenges has been managing the diverse financial systems of our worldwide business units," said Manganiello. "SAP's R/2 System provides us with a flexible, international standard solution. It is the only system that offers the international currency, language and reporting practice support our global enterprise requires."

SAP America, Inc., headquartered in suburban Philadelphia, markets and supports the R/2 System, a fully-integrated mainframe application software system designed to manage the information needs of large, multinational businesses. The R/2 System is comprised of 10 integrated modules covering the full range of business applications, from inventory control and production planning to cost accounting and order processing. SAP America is a subsidiary of SAP AG, one of West Germany's leading software developers with more than 1,300 customers worldwide.

CONTACT: Bonnie Ravina of SAP America, Inc., 215-595-4540; Gary Manganiello of PolyGram Records, Inc., 212-333-8407; or Susan Curtin or Heather Premru of Miller Communications, 617-536-0470, for SAP America, Inc.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Acme-Cleveland Corporation (NYSE: AMT) have declared a quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share on the common shares of the corporation, payable Nov. 16, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 2, 1990.

CONTACT: F.R. Appeldorn, vice president-finance of Acme-Cleveland, 216-292-2100

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NORTH BRUNSWICK, NJ (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Guest Supply, Inc. (NASDAQ: GEST), announced today that it has renewed its two-year contracts with Ramada Inns, Choice Hotels International (which includes Quality Inn, Comfort Inn, and Clarion Hotels), and Stouffer's Hotels. These contracts represent roughly $6 million of annual revenue for the company.

Guest Supply has had long-standing contractual relationships with these major hotel chains to provide amenities and guest room accessories for their individual hotel properties.

Clifford W. Stanley, president of Guest Supply, said, "We are very happy to be working with these fine hotel chains. Guest Supply continues to excel in design and service capabilities as is evident by these three contract renewals."

Guest Supply is the leading manufacturer and marketer of toiletries, personal care products, and other amenities, as well as housekeeping and accessory products, to the lodging industry in the United States.

CONTACT: Clifford W. Stanley, president of Guest Supply, 201-246-3011; or Anthony J. Russo or Kathryn Baker of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180 for Guest Supply

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ROCKVILLE, MD (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - GE Information Services (GEIS), owner and operator of one of the world's largest commercial teleprocessing networks, announced today the introduction of 9600 bps asynchronous dial-up network access in 40 cities.

This higher speed network access, with V.32 compatibility, will provide significantly improved response time. GEIS clients using full- screen interactive applications and file transfer applications will particularly benefit from this new feature.

When used in conjunction with any of the various async error-free protocols that GEIS offers, 9600 bps provides a fast and reliable link to the GEIS teleprocessing network. Additionally, network access at 9600 bps should result in shorter session times, which will enable GEIS clients to improve productivity and reduce costs.

Widespread acceptance of the V.32 standard provides GEIS clients with the freedom to choose from among a multitude of vendors in selecting the best modems for their own data processing equipment.

This new 9600 bps async dial-up network access augments GEIS' existing 300-2400 bps async dial-up service which is available in 517 U.S. cities -- the largest such deployment of any network-based services vendor. Many of these network node locations provide tri-speed modem service, offering GEIS clients the convenience of dialing a single telephone number for 300, 1200 or 2400 bps access to the GEIS network.

With this deployment, GEIS is now one of the two network-based services vendors offering the largest number of 9600 bps async access locations.

GEIS also announced that 9600 bps synchronous (both SNA/SDLC and BSC) dial-up network access is in field test, with expected commercialization slated for 1991. This service will augment GEIS' existing 2400-4800 bps sync dial-up service.

For further information about 9600 bps async dial-up access to the GEIS network, please call 1-800-433-3683.

GE Information Services, a division of General Electric Company, U.S.A., has its headquarters in Rockville. It offers a wide range of value-added services for network-based business applications, systems integration and software development services, and network management services.

CONTACT: Steve Haracznak, 301-340-4494 or, Larry Larkin 301-340-4455, both of GE Information Services.

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DEARBORN, MI (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statement may be attributed to John P. King, Parts and Service Engineering Office manager, Ford Parts and Service Division:

Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) is notifying owners of approximately 1,200 1990 Taurus police cars of a safety recall to replace heavy-duty steel wheels that may be cracked and, if left unrepaired, may fracture.

All 1990 Taurus vehicles equipped with optional police packages are included. About five percent of the wheels are suspect, but all will be replaced in order to assure that the concern is completely handled. To date, Ford is aware of only one report of a cracked wheel and of no reports of accidents or injuries related to this condition.

Dealers will be asked to unmount the tires (including the spare) and remount

them on other specified wheel rims. Police departments will be notified by mail and asked to return the vehicles to their dealers to have the work performed at no charge. All of the vehicles affected are located in the United States.

In a second action, Ford is providing owners of about 234,000 1986-87 Ranger and Bronco II vehicles with manual transmissions with extended warranty coverage on the shift-lever housing for six years or 60,000 miles, or for six months from the date of notification, whichever is greater.

In some cases, the housing may fracture during a hard shift into gear. If a fracture occurs, the transmission would remain in the last gear position selected. To correct this condition, dealers will install a revised shift lever and housing assembly.

In a third action, Ford Motor Company is asking owners of about 144,000 1989-90 Bronco and F-Series super cabs with tip-slide seats to return to dealerships to have a floor pan reinforcement installed underneath each of the front seats.

In a fourth action, Ford Motor Company is voluntarily recalling more than 228,000 1986 Thunderbird, Cougar, Mustang, Capri, LTD and Marquis vehicles equipped with 3.8-liter engines to assure acceptable emissions levels.

In-use vehicle emission testing conducted by the Environmental Protection Agency indicates that hydrocarbon and carbon monoxide exhaust emissions levels are unacceptable.

CONTACT: Anne Doyle-Farrell of Ford, 313-337-8724.

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#90274p9818 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREEN BAY, WI (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Randolph W. Lenz, chairman of the board of Terex Corporation (NASDAQ: TERX), announced today that Terex's subsidiary, Fruehauf Trailer Corporation, has completed the successful refinancing of the remaining balance of $125 million of the increasing rate notes issued in connection with the Fruehauf Trailer acquisition in July, 1989.

Lenz commented, "The completion of this refinancing reflects the profitable performance of our Fruehauf Trailer business and will significantly reduce Fruehauf's interest costs and further improve profit potential."

Under the terms of the refinancing, Fruehauf's interest costs are reduced by approximately 400 basis points from the rate currently paid under the increasing rate notes. The refinancing of the notes is part of a restructuring of all Fruehauf debt, including an additional $5 million reduction in principal outstanding, bringing the total debt repaid since the

acquisition in July of 1989 to $40 million. The new financing program involves a combination of long term and revolving credit facilities totalling $180,000,000. The new financing was arranged through a group of banks headed by IBJ Schroder Bank and Trust Company.

Lenz stated, "The refinancing, which we previously announced as an important objective for Fruehauf this year, is a significant step in our on going Fruehauf restructuring program. It was accomplished through the strong turnaround we have achieved at Fruehauf. The lower interest rates should provide greater profits for Fruehauf in the ensuing months. The overall financial structure of the transaction provides Fruehauf with greater flexibility and will allow Fruehauf to continue to build upon the initiatives already implemented to enhance the Fruehauf Trailer business and further strengthen its leadership position in the Trailer industry."

Terex Corporation's Fruehauf Trailers division is the world's leading manufacturer of truck trailers, making a wide range of van, refrigerated, platform, tank, dump trailer and other models. Terex's heavy equipment group -- which includes Terex Equipment Limited, Koehring Cranes & Excavators, Unit Rig, and Northwest Engineering -- designs, manufactures and markets heavy-duty off-highway, earthmoving, construction, and materials handling equipment for the mining, construction, logging and other industries.

CONTACT: Marvin B. Rosenberg of Terex, 203-222-7170, or Mary T. Conway of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Terex

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ALEXANDRIA, Va. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Paul E. Lego, an electrical engineer and the chairman and chief executive officer of Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX), has been named honorary chairman of "National Engineers Week 1991 " an annual event designed to promote interest in engineering as a profession, the company said.

Sponsored by 15 professional engineering organizations and observed by universities and corporations across the nation, 1991's National Engineers Week will focus attention on engineering and the environment, organizers said.

During the weeklong observation Feb. 17-23, as many as 10,000 professional engineers are expected to visit seventh and eighth grade classrooms to encourage students to begin taking the mathematics and science courses they need to prepare them for careers as engineers.

Lego, an engineering graduate of the University of Pittsburgh who became Westinghouse's chief executive officer on July 1, said recent comparisons showing American 13-year-olds scoring lowest among industrialized nations in math and science skills point to a national concern as serious as any of the

economic and environmental challenges we will face in the future.

"The combination of lower birth rates plus a sharp decline in the number of students pursuing mathematics and science is beginning to create a shortage in engineers at the very time demand for technical solutions to environmental and other challenges is growing," Lego said.

"Young Americans interested in helping preserve our national competitive edge and cleaning up and protecing the environment should consider careers in engineering. No other profession will make a greater contribution to these and other challenges we face in the 1990s."

A member of the executive committee of the Manufacturers' Alliance for Productivity and Innovation and the board of governors of the National Electrical Manufacturers Association, Lego serves on the board of trustees of the University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University and the board of overseers of the New Jersey Institute of Technology.

He is also chairman of the board of visitors of the University of Pittsburgh's School of Engineering, serves as vice chairman of the U.S. Korea Business Council, is a member of the directorate for Science and Engineering Education of the National Science Foundation, and is active in Boy Scouts, job programs for the handicapped and United Way.

EDITORS: This release has been issued by the Society of Automotive Engineers. Paul Jones of Westinghouse, 412-642-3713, is distributing the release to the Pittsburgh media.

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YORK, PA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Beginning today, Turkey Hill Minit Market customers won't have far to go to recycle their plastic milk, iced tea and

water jugs thanks to a new in-store recycling program.

The program is being run in conjunction with Sonoco Graham, the world's largest manufacturer of high density polyethylene (HDPE) bottles and the industry leader in bottles-to-bottles plastic recycling.

"When we began bottling our milk and drinks in plastic jugs, we were concerned about the environmental implications," said John Cox, marketing manager for Turkey Hill Dairy. "We knew that plastic is recyclable but we also knew that we wanted to make recycling convenient for our customers."

Cox explained that some municipalities have included plastics in their curbside recycling program under the state's new mandatory recycling law.

"But," he said, "Turkey Hill wanted to take things a step further and make plastic recycling available for everyone in the region.

"We knew that if we could provide a convenient place to recycle, our customers would respond," Cox said. "And the most convenient place we could think of was right in the store where they buy their milk, drinks and bottled water in the first place."

Cox said that Turkey Hill started with an experimental recycling program in 17 stores in Lebanon County and the Hanover area. He was optimistic at the outset, but wanted to see if consumers would bring in their plastic to be recycled.

"We were overwhelmed with the response," Cox said. "Within 10 days, we had more than 4,000 bottles."

The success in those 17 stores led the company to expand the program to all 203 locations in 24 northeastern and southcentral Pennsylvania counties.

And, when you produce more than 2 billion bottles annually, that means you need an enormous amount of recycled plastic.

That new $5 million plant will process more than 20 million pounds of recycled plastic every year -- the equivalent of 150 million used bottles -- for use in making new bottles.

CONTACT: Roger Prevot of Sonoco Graham, 717-849-8547, or John Cox of Turkey Hill Dairy, 717-872-5461.

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#90274p9831 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, IL (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola Inc.'s (NYSE: MOT) Radio-Telephone Systems Group announced today that it has been selected by

Perumtel, the Indonesian Post and Telecommunications Ministry's national telephone company, as the supplier of the countrywide cellular radio-telephone network.

The AMPS 800MHz system's initial coverage, estimated at over 30,000 subscribers, will include the metropolitan area of Jakarta and the city of Bandung in West Java, and the metropolitan area of Surabaya in East Java. The award's initial order for the two regions is expected to reach $30 million in value.

Perumtel, in cooperation with P.T.INTI, will operate the two systems in partnership with private investors, P.T. Elektrindo Nusantara in West Java and P.T. Centralindo Panca Sakti in East Java.

"We are pleased by Perumtel's decision and we look forward to introducing cellular telephony service in this key country of the Pacific Rim," said Bernard R. Smedley, senior vice president of Motorola, Inc. and general manager of the Radio-Telephone Systems Group. "In these times of immediate communications, it is important for the country's further economic development to install state-of-the-art, technologically advanced telecommunications," added Smedley.

Perumtel, in partnership with other private investors, intends to expand at a later date the cellular telephone service to the other seven major regions of the country and create a nationwide network. Indonesia's two-million-square-mile area has a population of 180 million.

Motorola is the world's leading designer, manufacturer and supplier of cellular systems, infrastructure equipment and subscriber products. It is also a leading provider of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets, including two-way radios, pagers, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronic equipment, computers, data communications, and information processing and handling equipment.

CONTACT: Mario Salvadori of Motorola, 708-632-2844.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Hall-Houston Oil Company announced today that it filed a registration statement on Sept. 28, 1990 relating to the proposed initial public offering of five million shares of Hall-Houston common stock. Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co., The First Boston Corporation and Rauscher Pierce Refsnes, Inc. will act as managing underwriters for the offering.

Hall-Houston Oil Company, headquartered in Houston, is engaged in oil and gas exploration, development and production operations in the Gulf of Mexico.

Since 1988 Hall-Houston has conducted its activities through Hall-Houston Offshore, a Texas general partnership of which Hall-Houston and Edisto Resources Corporation each owns 47.3 percent.

CONTACT: Wayne P. Hall, president, or Bennett A. Thomas, chief financial officer of Hall-Houston Oil Company, 713-228-0711.

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CORNING, NY (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd., (MHI) and Dresser-Rand Company (D-R) announced the formation of a joint venture, MHI Dresser-Rand, Ltd.

Effective Oct. 1, 1990, the corporation, headquartered in Tokyo and owned equally by MHI and D-R, will be responsible for the engineering, manufacture, sale and service of all Dresser-Rand centrifugal compressors, the Mitsubishi "MAC" centrifugal compressor and MHI compressor-drive steam turbines in the Asian-Pacific and Oceania areas, including India and China.

Dresser Industries, Inc., and Dresser-Rand (a partnership of Dresser Industries, Inc.(NYSE: DI), and Ingersoll-Rand Company (NYSE: IR)) and MHI have collectively had a technical and manufacturing association on centrifugal compressors since 1961. The new venture will bring together management, technical and sales expertise on a broad line of related compressor and steam turbine products of both MHI and D-R to better serve the increasingly complex needs of customers and to facilitate the design, engineering, application and supply of the venture's products.

Manufacturing of the venture's products will occur in the Hiroshima facilities of MHI and sales will primarily be effected by the dedicated sales force of Dresser-Rand.

H. Goroku, currently of MHI, and J. Willems, currently vice president of Dresser-Rand Japan, will have been appointed president and executive vice president, respectively, of the joint venture company.

In addition, MHI and Dresser-Rand announce that Dresser-Rand will offer the MAC as a part of its product selection in the areas of the world not handled by the new venture.

Dresser-Rand Company is headquartered in Corning, N.Y. The company is a supplier of compressors, gas turbines, steam turbines, motors and generators for energy and industry.

CONTACT: Paul Bryant of Dresser-Rand, 607-937-6420.

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#90274p9836 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
NORWALK, CT (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Leon C. Hirsch, chairman of United States Surgical Corporation (NYSE: USS), announced today that "the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has granted the company permission to market polypropylene and Dacron sutures under the 510(k) process. The FDA has now granted USSC permission to market six of the seven suture categories." The company expects reclassification and permission to market the remaining suture category, silk, in the near future.

USSC plans to enter the $1.2 billion suture segment of the wound closure market with a complete line of sutures during the first quarter of 1991.

Johnson & Johnson continues to challenge the FDA's suture rulings. Recently, the FDA denied both J&J's petition to reconsider reclassification of synthetic absorbable sutures and its request to stay the FDA's decision allowing USSC to market these sutures. J&J's latest action asks a federal court to overturn these FDA decisions.

Hirsch stated, "There is absolutely no valid scientific evidence to support Johnson & Johnson's arguments. We are flattered that they are so concerned about competing with us in the suture marketplace."

USSC is the world's largest manufacturer and marketer of surgical staplers.

CONTACT: Marianne Scipione of United States Surgical, 203-845-1404.

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#90274p9837 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statement was issued today by Jay Shidler concerning the consent solicitation by The Shidler/Holman Group to replace the current board of directors of Grossman's, Inc. (NASDAQ: GROS).

"The Shidler/Holman Group will continue to accept blue consent cards from stockholders until the close of business on Monday, Oct. 8, 1990. We want to remind stockholders, though, that since Monday is a federal holiday, they many want to deliver their consents by Friday, Oct. 5, 1990. The consent cards are required to be delivered by The Shidler/Holman Group to Grossman's by Monday, Oct. 8, 1990" Stockholders are urged to support The Shidler/Holman Group's proposal by signing dating and delivering to The Shidler/Holman Group, care of D.F. King & Co., Inc., the blue consent cards prior to the close of business on Oct. 5, 1990.

Shareholders can obtain additional copies of the blue consent cards and can also arrange for consents to be picked up by calling D. F. King & Co., Inc. at 212-269-5550 (collect) or 800-522-5001.

Shidler added, "In light of Grossman's recent operating results and the programs to which the current management of Grossman's is publicly committed, we continue to believe even more strongly that a change in management is necessary in order to protect the interests of all stockholders of Grossman's. The time for that change is now."

CONTACT: Ian Killips of The Shidler/Holman Group, 808-531-3000, or Jennifer Wall or Richard De May of D. F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for The Shidler/Holman Group.

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#90274p9839 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRYN MAWR, Pa. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - NewsNet, the world's largest current-awareness database of industry newsletters and newswires, and Dun & Bradstreet Business Credit Services, the leading marketer of commercial-credit and business information in the U.S., recently announced an agreement through which NewsNet will provide its customers with online access to D&B business-information through an intelligent gateway.

Three types of D&B business reports will be provided online via the NewsNet gateway: the Business Information Report, the Payment Analysis Report, and the Family Tree (R) Service.

"By making D&B information directly available to NewsNet users, we are adding yet another option to meet the personal style and needs of an important segment of the business community," said Ron K. Glover, president of D&B Business Credit Services.

"For the businessperson who has only an occasional need for D&B information, the NewsNet option gives them the opportunity to make business decisions based on some of the same powerful data that other D&B customers regularly turn to," Glover said.

"The addition of the D&B gateway is an important one, and very exciting for our subscribers," said NewsNet President John H. Buhsmer. "It enables them to have access to products from a world leader in business information."

The Business Information Report, the most widely accepted information tool for commercial credit and risk-management in the U.S., is available on millions of U.S. companies, and may contain data such as payment information, financial information, background and history on a company, business background of principals, public filings, and other relevant data.

The Payment Analysis Report provides an objective, third-party perspective of a company's payment history and trends as reported to D&B. Payments are analyzed for up to a full two-year period for evaluation of trends. The Payment Analysis Report also includes information on how a company pays its

creditors in comparison with other companies in the same industry.

Family Tree Service links divisions and branches of a company to their headquarters, and links subsidiaries to parent companies. This service allows users to view key information for an entire company in a single report.

The gateway between NewsNet and D&B is an "intelligent" gateway that allows users to take advantage of D&B's information using quick, easy- to-use NewsNet commands. The prompts in the gateway have been designed so that no prior experience with retrieving D&B information is necessary.

In the weeks prior to release, NewsNet conducted a beta test of the gateway among selected NewsNet subscribers. The result was overwhelmingly positive: the testers found the D&B/NewsNet interface intuitive and easy to use, even without documentation. Several testers remarked that access to D&B makes NewsNet even more valuable to them for business information purposes.

Dun & Bradstreet Business Credit Services is a division of the Dun & Bradstreet Corporation, the world's largest marketer of business information and related services with revenue of $4.3 billion in 1989.

The Credit Information Sales group of D&B Business Credit Services provides its customers with business information on more than 9 million U.S. companies through commercial credit reports, reference books, analytical data and other products and services that help customers determine and manage the risks and opportunities associated with doing business with other companies.

NewsNet delivers the full text of more than 400 business newsletters and 11 newswires in over 30 industries. NewsNet also offers gateway access to a number of special services, including Vu/Quote Stock and Commodity Quotes and the Official Airline Guides Electronic Edition.

NewsNet's information is accessible for full-text retrieval, keyword searching and through an exclusive electronic clipping service, NewsFlash (R), which monitors the newswires and newsletters, 24 hours per day, for keywords selected by the subscriber.

Family Tree is a registered trademark of Dun & Bradstreet, Inc. (NYSE: DNB)
NewsNet and NewsFlash are registered service marks of NewsNet Inc.

CONTACT: Patricia A. McParland, NewsNet Inc., 800-345-1301 or 215-527-8030, or Bill Rolleri, Dun & Bradstreet Business Credit Services, 201-665-5434.

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Los Angeles (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Trust Company of the West (TCW) announced today that it has acquired the general partnership interest in DBL Americas

Development Inc., a fund that manages approximately $175 million in investments of sovereign debt and other debt and equity securities of private-sector issuers in Latin America.

The fund, which comprises approximately 40 limited partners, will be renamed TCW Americas Fund Development Inc. An affiliate of TCW will manage the investments under the direction of three senior managers who have been involved with the fund since its inception - Gerard B. Finneran, Penelope D. Foley and Susan B. Bergan. The three formerly managed the DBL Americas Development fund as president and executive vice presidents, respectively.

TCW also plans to establish a separate Mexican Equity Securities Fund and Mexican Sovereign Bond Fund in the near future.

"This acquisition is an excellent opportunity for Trust Company of the West," said Thomas Larkin, TCW president and chief operating officer. "It is consistent with our strategy of broadening TCW's equity and debt products, while expanding our participation in important Latin American financial markets."

Trust Company of the West, headquartered in Los Angeles, is among the West's largest independent trust companies, with approximately $20 billion currently under management.

CONTACT: Thomas E. Larkin, president and COO, Trust Company of the West, 213-683-4000.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Renault Vehicules Industriels S.A. ("RVI") announced today that as of 9 p.m., EDT, on Friday, Sept. 28, an aggregate of 14,432,091 shares of common stock of Mack Trucks, Inc. (NASDAQ: MACK), a Pennsylvania corporation, had been tendered pursuant to the tender offer (the "offer") by ITM Acquisition Corp. ("ITM"), a Delaware corporation wholly owned by RVI, to purchase all of the outstanding common stock of Mack not beneficially owned directly or indirectly by RVI. The tendered shares, together with the Mack shares beneficially owned directly or indirectly by RVI represent approximately 93.1 percent of the total outstanding common stock of Mack.

RVI also announced that as of 9 p.m., EDT, on Friday, Sept. 28, 1990, the offer expired and was terminated and that the tendered shares will be accepted by it for payment of $6.25 per share, net to the seller in cash.

CONTACT: Elios Pascual of RVI, in France, 011-331-4772-5335; or Marisa Heine or Robert M. Fraina of D.F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for Renault.

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#90274p9849 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. (LMT) (NASDAQ: LMTS) today announced that it has added Apple Computer's line of Macintosh computers to its product line. Apple and LMT have reached an agreement which designates an LMT subsidiary as an authorized Apple Computer Value Added Reseller.

The addition of the Apple product line will allow LMT to offer a complete, low cost TurboRes(TM) enhanced plain-paper typesetting solution based on either the PC compatible or Apple Macintosh platform.

"Since the Apple Macintosh is frequently the platform of choice for graphic artists or other publishing professionals, the addition of this new product family should allow LMT to increase its penetration of the growing desktop publishing market," said Curtis Crowe, president of the subsidiary.

This product addition establishes a key component in LMT's long-term strategy of providing TurboRes enhanced printing and publishing products for a wide range of microcomputer users. Fully integrated Macintosh solutions will be available with AppleTalk(R) Network compatibility, LaserMaster's implementation of TrueImage(TM) - complete with TurboRes Enhanced Postscript(r) compatibility and arrange of plain-paper typesetting solutions based on proprietary LaserMaster technology.

LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets laser printer and display systems and subsystems for high quality electronic printing and desktop publishing applications. LMT's products include high performance printer controllers, plain-paper desktop typesetters and integrated electronic publishing systems which feature the company's proprietary TurboRes resolution enhancement technology.

NOTE: TurboRes is a patent-pending technology and trademark of LaserMaster. Macintosh is a registered trademark of Apple Computer, Inc. PostScript is a registered trademark of Adobe Systems, Inc. Other product and brand names are trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective companies.

CONTACT: Karen Neset of LaserMaster Technologies, Inc., 612-941-8687.

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#90274p9850 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
JERSEY CITY, NJ (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - First National Bank of Central Jersey was officially renamed National Westminster Bank NJ today, in ceremonies at Key First National Bank branch locations in Roselle, Somerville, Clinton and New Brunswick. All 32 First National Bank branches as well as 41 automated teller machine (ATMs) locations have received new signage, and customer

records of First National Bank have been merged, enabling its customers to bank at any NatWest office in the state. The projects was successfully completed the weekend of Sept. 29.

"We've been looking forward to the day when our two banks would become one statewide operation," said L. Douglas O'Brien, president and chief executive of NatWest NJ. "And many people worked very hard to get this completed quickly so as to provide many service advantages to our First National customers." NatWest NJ operates in 18 of New Jersey's 21 counties.

In Somerville, at First National Bank's One West Main Street office, O'Brien and Howard Pettebone, former president of First National Bank who serves NatWest NJ as an executive vice president, were joined by local officials in unveiling the new signage.

First National Bank, which operates in Somerset, Middlesex, Hunterdon, Union and Mercer Counties, was acquired by National Westminster Bancorp on Aug. 18, 1989 and on that day became part of the NatWest NJ organization. A year earlier, in February 1988, NatWest entered New Jersey with its acquisition of First Jersey National Corporation, the fourth largest bank in the state. NatWest NJ today operates 136 branches and 198 ATMs.

The process of creating a central file started two years ago with the consolidation of the five banks that had comprised First Jersey National Corporation. With that first phase completed in 1989, the bank began the task of incorporating First National Bank into the systems.

Headquartered in Bridgewater, N.J., First National Bank history dates back to the 19th century and a number of bank beginnings in Central New Jersey, including First Clinton National Bank, founded in 1856; The Peoples National Bank of Central Jersey, which began in 1887; The First National Bank of Bound Brook, founded in 1888; and Second National Bank of Somerville, chartered in 1894.

National Westminster Bank NJ, headquartered in Jersey City, is a subsidiary of National Westminster Bancorp, which has $22 billion in assets and 260 offices in New York and New Jersey.

CONTACT: Tim Connolly of National Westminster Bank NJ, 201-413-6113.

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WAYNE, Pa. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Orthopedic Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: OSII) today announced that it has acquired two orthotic and prosthetic businesses, Custom Prosthetics of Arizona in Tucson, Ariz., and Newport Orthopedics in Newport Beach, Calif. OSI's western region now has 24 locations including 18 in the southern California area.

Custom Prosthetics is a well-established 10-year-old business founded by Joe Leal, C.P., a nationally respected O&P practitioner. The company has a strong prosthetics base which utilizes leading edge technology and technique. Leal will stay on with OSI to increase Custom Prosthetic's current referral base and to develop new areas of business. "By joining OSI, I will be able to expand the business in ways that were not feasible for an individual establishment. I think it's a win for Custom Prosthetics and a win for OSI," said Leal.

Newport Orthopedics is a 25-year old company headed by Ron Tosoonian, C.O. The company's strong market presence in Newport Beach opens new avenues for penetration of the coastal market and links up well with OSI's Santa Monica, Torrance and Laguna Hills facilities. OSI president, Jeffrey S. Levitt, commented, "Newport Orthopedics increases our long-term commitment to the Southern California healthcare community, an area that we feel has a fast growing demand for improved health care services."

"The company has made three acquisitions since the July initial public offering. With our very strong balance sheet and positive cash flow, we will continue to make strategic acquisitions to open new market areas as well as densify and expand our coverage in current markets. It is our goal to consolidate the O&P industry while continuing to increase productivity and adopt the latest technological advances in patient care at our existing facilities," continued Levitt.

Custom Prosthetics is located at 2307 East Broadway, Tucson, Ariz., and Newport Orthopedics is located at 359 North Newport Boulevard, Newport Beach, Calif.

Orthopedic rehabilitation is the fitting, design and fabrication of custom-made braces and support devices for the treatment of musculoskeletal conditions resulting from illness, injury or congenital abnormalities. Prosthetic rehabilitation is the fitting and fabrication of custom-made artificial limbs required by people who have suffered the loss of a limb from vascular disease, diabetes, cancer or traumatic injuries.

OSI is the largest provider of patient care services in the orthotic and prosthetic rehabilitation segment of the healthcare industry. OSI currently provides services through 56 patient care centers in 13 states.

CONTACT: Jeffrey S. Levitt, president of Orthopedic Services, 215-687-8080, or Susan A. Noonan of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for Orthopedic Services.

(OSII) CO: Orthopedic Services, Inc.; Custom Prosthetics of Arizona, Newport Orthopedics ST: Pennsylvania, Arizona, California IN: MTC SU: TNM

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ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, N.J. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - CPC International Inc. (NYSE: CPC) today announced that it has completed the purchase of the Conimex oriental food business of R & C Nederland B.V., a Dutch affiliate of Reckitt & Colman PLC of the United Kingdom.

Conimex, which has current annual sales of close to $40 million is a leading producer and marketer in the Netherlands of a broad range of authentic Indonesian and other oriental foods. Among its products are: Ketjap, an oriental-style soy sauce; Sateh and other oriental sauces; oriental mealmakers; Kroepoek shrimp crackers; oriental condiments and specialty spice mixes. It also exports to other countries in Europe and elsewhere.

The Conimex business will be complementary to CPC's well-established European food business, especially its products under the Knorr label, including soups, sauces, bouillons, mealmakers and seasonings. The acquisition also represents an opportunity for further expansion of authentic oriental food products in the Netherlands and other countries. Conimex will be combined with CPC's well-established operation, CPC Benelux B.V., which does business in the Netherlands, Belgium, and Luxembourg.

Assets of the acquired business include a manufacturing plant in Baarn. The Conimex business has approximately 170 employees.

NOTE TO EDITORS: With sales in 1989 of $5.1 billion, CPC International Inc. ranks as one of the largest and most international food companies in the United States. CPC's worldwide consumer foods business accounts for approximately 80 percent of the company's total sales, and its products are household favorites throughout North America, Europe, Latin America, and Asia. Best-known among its U.S. brands are: Hellmann's and Best Foods mayonnaise, Mazola corn oil and margarine, Skippy peanut butter, Thomas' English muffins, Arnold breads, Mueller's pasta products, Karo and Golden Griddle syrups, and Knorr soups, sauces and bouillons. CPC is also one of the largest corn refiners with operations in North America and Latin America. Worldwide, PC International has operations in 47 countries including 112 plants/

CONTACT: William C. Parker, 201-894-2555, or Gale L. Griffin, 201-894-2407, of CPC International.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that Storage Properties, Inc. of Glendale, Calif., began trading 3.2 million common shares today. Storage Properties is a real estate investment trust organized in March 1989.

Trading under ticker symbol "PSA," the common stock opened on 1,100 shares at 8.

In mid-September, Storage Properties declared a $.25 per share quarterly distribution guaranteed by the company's advisor and payable Oct. 15 to shareholders of record as of Sept. 28. Shareholders who acquired shares through June 30 will receive the $.25 per share, and shareholders who purchased shares in the public offering after June 30 will receive a prorated distribution. The cash distributions will be a 10 percent per annum non-compounded return on the $10 per share offering price through June 1993.

Storage Properties has invested primarily in non-recourse loans to its advisor PS Properties Advisors, Inc., an affiliate of Public Storage Inc. The loans are secured by first priority mortgages or deeds of trust on properties that are in operation or being developed as self- storage facilities. The company also entered into agreements for the right to acquire properties securing the loans during a specified period.

Storage Properties' principal investments are comprised of first mortgage convertible loans on five self-storage properties in Bedford Park, Ill.; Las Vegas, Nev.; Los Angeles; Brooklyn, N.Y., and Silver Spring, Md. The company recently acquired a leasehold interest in a self-storage facility in Hillside, N.J., through a joint venture.

CONTACT: Lisa Kravitz of the American Stock Exchange, 212-306-1632.

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WALDORF, MD (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Washington Savings Bank, F.S.B. (NASDAQ: WSBX), today announced financial highlights for its three and 12 months ended July 31, 1990.

WSBX is a federally chartered, federally insured savings bank, with principal executive offices in Waldorf.

THE WASHINGTON SAVINGS BANK, F.S.B.

Three months ended July 31	1990	1989(A)
Net interest income after		

provision for loan losses	$814,182	$778,421
Other income	220,846	330,704
General & administrative expenses	930,064	763,158
Net earnings	63,064	206,397
Earnings per share	$.03	$.10
Average shares outstanding	1,993,112	1,993,112
Assets	$166,473,920	$152,486,667
Deposits	153,697,717	139,623,971
Total stockholders' equity	11,578,347	11,290,412
Book value per share	$5.81	$5.66

12 months ended July 31	1990	1989(A)
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	$3,207,246	$3,227,238
Other income	852,666	940,737
General & administrative expenses	3,594,215	3,386,890
Net earnings	275,097	469,085
Earnings per share	$.14	$.28
Average shares outstanding	1,995,612	1,694,490

(A) Certain prior year's amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation.

CONTACT: Sherrie L. Kubala, senior vp of Washington Savings Bank, 301-843-7200

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ROCHESTER, NY (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Curtice Burns Foods (AMEX: CBI) and its companion organization, Pro-Fac Cooperative, announced today that they had acquired the Husman Snack Foods Division of the Frank Herschede Company of Cincinnati for an undisclosed amount of stock and cash.

The Husman Snack Foods Company, with sales of $15 million in their fiscal year ended Feb. 28, 1990, is a producer and marketer of potato chips and other salty snack foods from a single manufacturing facility in Cincinnati. Over 93 percent of the company's sales are under its own proprietary brand name. Distribution to its Cincinnati, Dayton and Lexington, Ky., marketing areas is through 62 independent distributor store-door delivery routes. In Cincinnati, Husman is the leading marketer of potato chips while in its total marketing area, Husman is number two, outselling major national competitors.

David J. McDonald, president of Curtice Burns, said, "Husman, with its long standing history of solid earnings and market share strength, will be an important addition to the Curtice Burns Snack Foods Group. The synergies generated by this acquisition include increased potential for two Pro-Fac commodities, potatoes and popcorn, and expanded marketing opportunities for Curtice Burns La Restaurante tortilla chips and salsa and our Thunder Crunch

brand of kettle-fried potato chips. I am pleased that Don Jaspers will continue as vice president/general manager of Husman's."

Rochester-based Curtice Burns foods consists of 10 autonomously managed divisions, 60 plants and warehouses and 7,000 employees located throughout the United States and Western Canada. The company is unique in the food industry with its strategic focus on regional brands and the development and processing of custom-packed foods for the retail grocery and food service industry.

CONTACT: Joan Miller of Curtice Burns Foods, 716-383-1850; or Thomas Rooney of Ketchum Public Relations, 212-536-8854, for Curtice Burns Foods.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - COIN Inc., a metro Atlanta automotive computer company, tripled its size today when it finalized the purchase from Unisys of Convergent Dealership Group (CDG), and renamed the Hunt Valley, Md., company COIN Dealership Systems.

With the purchase of CDG, COIN, which in 1989 had 250 employees and revenues of $22 million, now has some 1,000 employees, revenues nearing the $100 million mark, and more than a dozen satellite offices across the country and in Europe.

Together, COIN and CDG have more than 9,000 customers in the United States, Great Britain, Puerto Rico and Canada.

"Our customers, both COIN's and CDG's, are vital to us and we want to make sure they get the best service and best systems possible," explained COIN President and CEO Mark Singleton.

"CDG's name change to COIN Dealership Systems is probably the only major change Convergent customers will see. Convergent customers will still be supported by Convergent's support group, and the Convergent line of computer systems and software programs will remain intact.

"And our current COIN Systems customers won't see any difference in their service, support or systems either. They'll still be supported out of our COIN Systems Norcross office by COIN Systems personnel," Singleton added.

"To ensure this continuity of service, we've formed COIN Inc., as a parent company with COIN Dealership Systems and COIN Systems Inc., both acting as independent subsidiaries serving their own customers," said Singleton. COIN Inc.'s headquarters will be in metro Atlanta in separate facilities from that of COIN Systems Inc. COIN Dealership Systems' main office will remain at Hunt Valley, Md., a Baltimore suburb.

"Our new organization is like a good marriage," explained Singleton. "We're united as one, but each partner has its own separate identity, needs and wants " explained Singleton.

In this case, being separate also means separate methods of marketing products. COIN Dealership Systems will sell its current family of computer products directly to the dealerships. COIN Systems will take the indirect marketing approach, concentrating specifically on selling its software to manufacturers and national distributors.

As president and CEO of COIN Inc., Singleton heads both subsidiaries. To help him direct operations of the individual companies, he named Jack Lassen, a longtime CDG executive, as president and general manager of COIN Dealership Systems, and John Hiemstra, formerly COIN Systems' vice president of corporate resources, as president and general manager of COIN Systems.

Singleton founded COIN Financial Systems in 1980 as a six-man, regional company specializing in systems for the auto dealers' finance and insurance departments. In late 1989, he renamed the company COIN Systems Inc., after completing a leveraged buy-out where he became the majority stockholder.

Under his direction, COIN has experienced phenomenal growth, recognized by INC. magazine as one of the nation's fastest-growing private companies and named Atlanta's fastest-growing company by the Atlanta Fast Tech 50 group.

CONTACT: Diane N. Bates of COIN, 404-447-6103.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dalmo Victor Division of General Instrument Corporation's Defense Systems Group has been awarded a $45.4 million contract by the U.S. Army Communications and Electronics Command (CECOM) for 1,174 radar warning systems and associated support equipment. CECOM exercised the second multiyear option for the additional systems on Sept. 18, 1990. This increases the total number of systems that Dalmo Victor is to produce under the army multiyear contract to approximately 3,200 systems. Dalmo Victor has delivered approximately 1,500 systems to the army under this contract.

The AN/APR-39A(V)1 is especially designed for helicopters and other light aircraft operating at low level and nap-of-the-earth (NOE) mission environments; the APR-39A(V)1 is another set of eyes in the cockpit. The lightweight, digital radar warning system provides the pilot with clear audio warning and easy-to-understand threat symbols. It reduces crew workload by graphically displaying the threat environment and prioritizing the threat radar information.

The APR-39A(V)1 is now the U.S. Army standard threat warning system for helicopters and is being deployed on military helicopters throughout the world.

General Instrument is the industry leader in cable TV electronics, coaxial cable and satellite encryption systems. The company also manufactures defense electronics and wagering systems.

CONTACT: John P. Scanlon, 212-704-8126, or Edward R. Kearney, 212-207-6333, both of General Instrument.

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EGG HARBOR CITY, NJ (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Collective Federal Savings Bank has expanded its operations with the acquisition of Metropolitan Federal Savings and Loan Association, it was announced today by Thomas H. Hamilton, president and chief executive officer of Collective Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: COFD).

Collective Bancorp is the parent holding company for Collective Federal. Metropolitan Federal, a $150 million thrift institution managed by the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC), is headquartered in Denville, N.J. Metropolitan Federal operated nine offices in Essex, Hudson, Morris, Monmouth, Middlesex and Ocean counties. Effective Saturday, Sept. 29, 1990, each of the offices were reopened as offices of Collective Federal.

In connection with the transaction, Collective Federal agreed to assume approximately $149 million in deposits and other liabilities and to purchase approximately $139 million in assets. Included among the assets acquired was $49 million in cash and securities, $82 million in 1-4 family residential mortgage loans, $4 million in consumer and commercial loans and $2 million in fixed assets. Collective Federal will also receive a cash payment of $13.5 million from the RTC.

Commenting on the acquisition, Hamilton noted, "This move further strengthens Collective's position in the attractive northern New Jersey market and provides the contiguous presence we were looking to achieve. As a result of this acquisition, we have effectively doubled our presence in the northern portion of the state without diluting the interests of our stockholders," Hamilton added.

Collective Federal, with assets of $2.5 billion, now operates a total of 53 full-service banking offices in 13 counties throughout New Jersey. The recently acquired Metropolitan Federal offices will become part of a Collective's Northern Division, under the direction of Robert D. Pierson, Northern Division president.

Collective Bancorp's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market

System under the trading symbol COFD.

CONTACT: Scott Page of Collective Bancorp, 609-965-1234

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. (NYSE: BSC) announced today that it is requesting shareholders to ratify amendments to the company's certificate of incorporation that would prohibit greenmail, golden parachutes and poison pills without shareholder approval. The firm previously has opted out of the Delaware anti-takeover statute.

Alan Greenberg, chairman and CEO of Bear Stearns, said, "The proposed amendment to our certificate of incorporation demonstrates our company's commitment to the principle of stockholder equality and democracy. Our board of directors believes that stockholders should have a significant voice in decisions relating to the ownership and control of the company."

Greenberg also emphasized that the amendments are not being proposed in response to any specific attempt or proposal to acquire the company, nor is the company aware of or inviting such proposals.

The Bear Stearns management is also undertaking this year, on a voluntary basis, to keep all shareholder voting confidential. Proxies and ballots will be tabulated by the firm's transfer agent, which will sign a confidentiality statement.

In addition, shareholders are being asked to approve a new deferred compensation plan for the company's 154 senior managing directors. Under the new deferred compensation plan, top officials of its broker- dealer subsidiary will be able to acquire shares of the holding company's common stock by deferring a portion of their cash compensation for at least five years.

The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. is a leading investment banking and brokerage firm headquartered in New York City. The company is engaged in corporate finance and mergers and acquisitions, institutional equities and fixed income sales and trading, individual investor services, asset management and correspondent clearing. Through its subsidiary, Custodial Trust Company, it is engaged in securities lending and custody services. The company has approximately 5,700 employees in 13 offices worldwide.

CONTACT: Fabianne Gershon of Bear Stearns, 212-272-2400.

-30- 2311

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HERNDON, VA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - EDS has signed a new $60 million contract

to continue manufacturing identification cards for the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service's Alien Documentation Program.

Under the fixed-price contract, EDS will provide facilities management, data entry, automated data processing and identification card manufacturing services. This contract is for a one-year term with four one-year options.

EDS manufactures secure identification cards for aliens who have permanent resident status in the United States. Security of the cards is assured through the use of special paper and laminates as well as with the use of control numbers.

The contract also includes the production of specialized cards such as "border crosser" cards which allow residents of Mexico to visit and shop in the United States for short periods of time. Additionally, EDS will maintain and operate a central data base for inquiries on card application status and for updating information on previously issued cards.

Since 1982, over 7.7 million alien identification cards, nearly 1 million visas and a quarter of a million border crosser applications have been processed at the Immigration Card Facility near Dallas.

"The need for secure documentation in the world today provides a great technological challenge," said Bob McCashin, group executive for EDS' Federal Government Group. "This program contains the latest advances in technology to meet INS' stringent requirements."

"These cards are vital to the Alien Documentation Program," said Bill Dvoranchik, president of EDS' Government Services Division. "The production of the cards demonstrate EDS' ability to perform in a high-volume manufacturing environment while maintaining strict security requirements."

EDS has operations in 27 countries and is the leader in providing information technology services to customers around the world. Stock reflecting EDS' performance is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. The company reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

CONTACT: Randolph V. Dove of EDS, 703-742-1511.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Reading Co. (NASDAQ: RDGCA) has announced that its board of directors has increased the size of the company's board to 10 directors and elected James J. Cotter as a director and vice chairman of the board.

Cotter is chairman of the board of Craig Corp., Reading's largest shareholder,

as well as a director of Del Webb Corp., the Decurion Corp., Townhouse Cinemas Corp., Cecelia Packing Corp. and Stater Brothers Holding Inc.

CONTACT: Anthony V. Scoma of the Reading Co., 215-735-8300.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Mellon Bank today opened a full-service branch office in the Giant Eagle supermarket in McMurray, Washington County, the first step in the largest supermarket banking effort ever undertaken in Pennsylvania, it was announced.

In July, Mellon and Giant Eagle announced the signing of an agreement to place 21 Mellon offices in Giant Eagle stores in the western half of Pennsylvania by mid-1992.

Mellon will install supermarket branches in Allegheny, Butler, Cambria, Crawford, Washington and Westmoreland counties, opening additional branches in the Monroeville and Peebles Road Giant Eagle stores in November of this year, and continue to open branches, at the rate of approximately two per month, through 1992. The offices will be placed in convenient in-store locations, with most near the check-out lines at the front of the store.

Giant Eagle, founded in 1931, has 123 stores in western Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia. There are 53 company-owned and 70 independently owned supermarkets operating under the Giant Eagle banner. Giant Eagle introduced Absolute Minimum Pricing (AMP), the innovative pricing concept that offers shoppers the lowest total food bill, to the western Pennsylvania market in 1984.

Mellon Bank N.A. is the largest bank in Pennsylvania, serving a seven-county retail and commercial market in western Pennsylvania with 124 offices which provide a broad range of products and services to meet the financial needs of consumers and small businesses. Mellon Bank N.A. offers highly convenient banking service to customers through its network of ATMs, the geographic breadth of branch locations, its Telephone Banking Center and its Small Business Division. Mellon offices also play an integral part in the communities they serve through their grass roots support of community organizations and events.

With assets of $31.7 billion at June 30, 1990, Mellon Bank Corp. (NYSE: MEL) is one of the nation's largest bank holding companies. Through its subsidiaries, it provides wholesale, middle market and retail banking, as well as numerous service products including trust and investment, cash management and financial data processing.

CONTACT: J.T. Tuskan of Mellon Bank, 412-234-0850; or Joe Faccenda of Giant

Eagle, 412-963-2510.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - National City Corporation (NYSE: NCC) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.47 per share on its common stock, payable Nov. 1, 1990 to stockholders of record Oct. 18, 1990. The dividend indicates an annual rate of $1.88 per share.

Profile of National City Corporation National City Corporation is a $23 billion bank holding company headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio. The corporation's principal banking units include National City Bank, Cleveland; BancOhio National Bank, Columbus; and First National Bank of Louisville. Other member banks include National City Bank, Akron; First National Bank, Dayton; Gem Savings Association, Dayton; CommerceNational Bank, Lexington; and Ohio Citizens Bank, Toledo. National City also has 11 community banks serving cities and towns throughout Ohio, Kentucky and southern Indiana.

National City's subsidiaries and divisions offer a wide range of financial services, such as credit card, retail payment and airline ticket processing, trust and investment management, leasing, merchant and mortgage banking, venture capital, small business and community investment and credit life insurance. These units include Franklinton Financial Services, National Processing Company, First Kentucky Trust Company, National City Trust Company, NCC Merchant Banking, National City Mortgage Company, W. Lyman Case & Company, National City Community Development Corporation, National City Life Insurance Company and NC Investments.

National City Corporation's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "NCC."

CONTACT: Thomas A. Richlovsky, senior vice president and treasurer of NCC Corporate Treasury, 216-575-2126; or Janis E. Lyons, vice president of NCC Corporate Treasury, 216-575-3329.

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DANBURY, CT (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Formation of a worldwide urethane additives business group was announced today by Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc. (UCC&P).

Union Carbide has been in the forefront of urethane additives development since the mid-1950's. Products and services are available for the manufacture of flexible, semiflexible and rigid urethane foams, as well as high resilience frothed and specialty foams and elastomers.

The new group -- located in UCC&P's Specialty Chemicals Division -- has a strong product and technology base involving silicone surfactants, amine catalysts and GEOLITE foam chemistry. The new group will expand the product and application focus of the business.

Joseph C. Soviero, president of the Specialty Chemicals Division, said: "Our global urethane additives business recognizes that the polyurethane industry is challenged by economic and chlorofluorocarbon/ VOC (volatile organic compounds) issues. Urethane additives' products and technology offer a tremendous opportunity to meet these challenges."

David N. Verner has been named business director of the urethane additives group. His 19-year career with Union Carbide has included managerial assignments in manufacturing, distribution, marketing and new business development.

Raymond J. Ricciardi, formerly business manager for polyols, has been appointed marketing and sales director. Ricciardi has been with Union Carbide since 1966 and has held numerous sales and marketing management positions.

Urethane additives has been organized to serve customers on a worldwide basis. Major world-class manufacturing facilities for silicone surfactants and amine catalysts are located in Sistersville and South Charleston, W.Va., and Antwerp Belgium. Smaller facilities are operated in Japan, Argentina, Brazil, United Kingdom, and Korea.

Research and development activities are conducted at technical centers in Sistersville and South Charleston, W. Va., Tarrytown, N.Y., and Versoix, Switzerland.

CONTACT: Jack Witemeyer of Union Carbide, 203-794-2535.

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MINNETONKA, MN (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of LecTec Corporation (NASDAQ: LECT) has authorized management, at their discretion, to repurchase up to 50,000 shares of LecTec common stock to be used for future stock option plans. The company may be purchasing the stock over the next six months. This 50,000 shares, authorized by the board of directors, is in addition to the 50,000 authorized as of Aug. 8, 1990.

LecTec Corporation is a medical products research, development, and manufacturing entity headquartered in Minnetonka, Minn. The company sells disposable medical supplies including cardiac electrodes, medical tapes, and transdermal drug delivery systems. LecTec is traded on the national over-the-counter exchange (NASDAQ).

CONTACT: George Ingebrand of LecTec, 612-933-2291

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BEBER SILVERSTEIN MCCABE & PARTNERS NAMED AS AD AGENCY FOR THOMPSON MEDICAL

MIAMI (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Thompson Medical Company, a leading over-the-counter pharmaceutical company, has added Beber Silverstein McCabe & Partners to its roster of internationally recognized advertising agencies including Saatchi and Grey.

The agency will develop and implement a consumer-oriented advertising campaign for the company's antacid product, Tempo.

Beside Tempo, Thompson Medical nationally markets approximately 20 over-the-counter pharmaceutical products like Dexatrim, Cortizone 5 and Aspercreme.

"We're proud to be associated with Thompson Medical," said Myer Berlow, executive vice president, BSM&P. "We share a belief that we can all work together to continue their success in the future.

"They're a company with a great record of success, and they bring together a unique combination of innovation and expertise which makes packaged goods marketing both successful and exciting."

Beber Silverstein McCabe & Partners has offices in New York, Washington and Miami. The company represents such clients as Subway Sandwiches, Knight-Ridder, Humana Inc., Florida Power & Light Company, Coty, Lykes Bros. Meats, FloridaGold Orange Juice and First Florida Bank.

CONTACT: Christine Barney of Bruce Rubin Associates, Inc., 305-448-7450, for Thompson Medical Company.

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#90274p9899 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
KALAMAZOO, MI (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - International Controls Corp. (AMEX: INC) has extended the expiration date of its exchange offer to its debentureholders from 5 p.m. Oct. 2, 1990, to 5 p.m. Oct. 16, it was announced today.

As of 5 p.m. on Sept. 27, 1990, $5,197,000 of the subordinated discount debentures (AMEX: INCA) and $4,000 of the 12-3/4 percent debentures (AMEX: INCB) had been tendered. Debentureholders who desire further information about the committee may contact Wilbur L. Ross Jr., senior managing director of Rothschild Inc., at 212-757-6000.

CONTACT: Kevin Hanley of International Controls, 616-343-6121; or Marisa Heine or William Catacosinos of D.F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for International Controls.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Turner Corporation (AMEX: TUR) announced today that Nicholas T. Makes has been elected vice president and director of business development for Turner Construction Company, effective Sept. 1. He reports to Thomas B. Gerlach, senior vice president, The Turner Corporation.

In his new position, Makes, a 14-year Turner veteran, has responsibility for the company's marketing and sales efforts. In addition, until Jan. 1, 1991, Makes will continue in his role as manager of Turner's Atlanta office.

"We are looking forward to applying Nick's insight and experience on a company-wide level," said Gerlach. "He has proven his ability at every level of the Turner organization. His new role is a continuation of that natural progression."

Makes joined Turner in 1976 in its Philadelphia office as an engineering assistant on the University of Pennsylvania Medical Education building. In 1979, he was assigned to the Special Projects Division where he managed four laboratory fit-out projects for the University of Pennsylvania and a renovation project for the Hospital of The University of Pennsylvania. Makes was promoted to superintendent in 1980 and managed the construction of the Radnor Corporation Sun Transport office building. In 1981, he assumed the position of business development engineer in the Philadelphia office and was promoted to manager of business development in 1982. Makes was assigned as manager of Philadelphia's Special Projects Division in 1986 where he worked until November 1987, when he was named manager of the Atlanta office.

Makes holds a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering and a master's degree in structural design, both from Cornell University.

Makes and his family currently reside in Dunwoody, Ga.

CONTACT: Beverly A. Benn of The Turner Corporation, 212-878-0498.

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LUBBOCK, TX (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Furr's/Bishop's Cafeterias, L.P. (NYSE: CAF) announced today that a purported class action lawsuit had been filed in the Delaware Court of Chancery against Cavalcade & Co., Inc. and Michael J. Levenson, the managing general partner, and the special general partner,

respectively, of Furr's/Bishop's in connection with Furr's/Bishop's proposal to convert to corporate form by merging with a subsidiary of a new corporate holding company.

The plaintiffs allege, among other things, that the general partners of Furr's/Bishop's have breached their fiduciary duties by proposing the merger at terms which the plaintiffs consider unfair to public holders of Furr's/Bishop's preference units.

The lawsuit seeks, among other things, to enjoin the consummation of the merger and damages including attorneys' fees and expenses.

Furr's/Bishop's believes that the plaintiffs' claims are without merit and the general partners intend to defend vigorously against the action.

CONTACT: Alton Smith, chief financial officer of Furr's/Bishop's Cafeterias, L.P., 806-792-7151.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Student Loan Marketing Association (Sallie Mae) (NYSE: SLM) today announced plans to resume the repurchase, on the market, of the corporation's voting and non-voting common shares and, potentially, to repurchase the corporation's equity warrants as well.

While Sallie Mae has repurchased approximately 22 million common shares since 1986, it has refrained from any such activity since last July, when it entered into negotiations with the Department of Education relative to the financial situation of HEAF, a guarantor under the Guaranteed Student Loan Program. Since the department last week announced its plan to resolve the HEAF matter, Sallie Mae said it could now resume the buyback program.

As a part of that resolution plan and as announced last week, Sallie Mae will provide management services to HEAF in support of the winding down of its operations over the next three years.

In this regard, the corporation also announced that its board of directors has increased management's repurchase authority to 4 million common shares. (Of those 4 million shares, up to 1.4 million shares may be of the voting common stock). The board additionally authorized repurchase of the corporation's 9 million equity warrants.

At Sept. 30, there were issued and outstanding 97.2 million shares of Sallie Mae's common stock, including 12.3 million shares of voting common stock, which trades (SLMAJ) on the NASDAQ National Market System, and 84.8 million shares of non-voting common stock which trades (SLM) on the New York Stock Exchange. The 9 million equity warrants trade (SLMAW) NASDAQ.

Sallie Mae, a federally chartered, stockholder-owned (NYSE) corporation, is the major financial intermediary serving the education finance market. By buying insured student loans and providing other financial services to financial and educational institutions, Sallie Mae replenishes local supplies of student credit. The corporation owns nearly 30 percent of all guaranteed student loans outstanding today.

CONTACT: Gisela Vallandigham, 202-298-3147, or Ross Kleinman, 202-298-3013, both of Sallie Mae.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Bankers Trust Company (NYSE: BT) announced today that companies affiliated with the Sumitomo Bank Group will acquire full ownership of Sumigin Bankers Investment Management Co. Ltd. (SBIM). Terms of the sale were not disclosed.

SBIM, a joint venture formed in 1985, manages corporate funds and public and private pension funds, and is owned equally by Bankers Trust Company and by Sumitomo Bank Group companies.

"Bankers Trust values enormously the strong and close relationship we have with the Sumitomo Bank and its affiliated companies and we will continue to work closely with them," said H. Kent Atkins, executive vice president and head of the Investment Management Group of Bankers Trust Company. "At the same time, we have achieved the objectives that were set when SBIM was formed five years ago, and feel that it is now appropriate for us to concentrate our trust and investment management business in Japan Bankers Trust Company (JBT), and allow the Sumitomo Bank Group companies to pursue their own goals."

JBT, a wholly owned trust banking subsidiary of Bankers Trust Company, is the largest foreign trust bank in Japan, with assets in excess of $7 billion. Formed in 1985, it serves as both investment manager and trustee of corporate funds and public and private pension funds.

"Japan is one of the cornerstones of our business strategy," said Atkins. "As we continue to develop our global business, the success of JBT will provide a strong base on which to build in Japan."

CONTACT: Thomas A. Parisi of Bankers Trust Company, 212-850-1686.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Grace Specialty Chemicals Co., the largest operating unit of W. R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA), today announced that it will

spend $10 million to convert one of the operations at its subsidiary's facilities in Valleyfield, Quebec to produce zeolite additives for use in fluid cracking catalysts. Fluid cracking catalysts are used by the petroleum industry to refine crude oil into gasoline.

Upon completion of this project, Grace will have substantially increased its manufacturing capacity for ultra stable zeolites. The conversion is expected to be completed in early 1992.

"The decision was made to convert this facility in Quebec rather than expand another location because of the speed with which we can undertake this move," according to Donald H. Kohnken, president of Grace Specialty Chemicals Co. In addition, Kohnken noted that this project can be accomplished at a significantly lower capital cost than other options. "This will help make capital available for other related projects," he added.

Grace's catalyst products are sold by its Davison Chemical Division, headquartered in Baltimore. The Valleyfield facility currently manufactures fluid cracking catalysts, specialty aluminas and zeolites used as detergent builders.

W. R. Grace & Co. is an international specialty chemical company with selected interests in energy, manufacturing and service businesses.

CONTACT: Jim Swords or Chris Tofalli, 212-819-6000, or Jim Stier (investors only), 212-819-6673, of Grace.

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#90274p9913 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP) has awarded the joint venture of Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation and Hazen and Sawyer a contract to provide construction management services for eight sludge dewatering facilities.

The project is a major component of New York City's sludge management program which is based on a three-pronged strategy for cessation of New York City's ocean disposal of sewage sludge. The immediate plan consists of the construction of dewatering facilities at eight existing water pollution control plants to handle sludge generated at all 14 of the city's plants. The sludge dewatering facilities are to be located at the city's Wards Island, Hunts Point, 26th Ward, Jamaica, Bowery Bay, Oakwood Beach, Tallmans Island and Red Hook water pollution control plants. The dewatering equipment and supporting ancillary systems will be housed in pile supported block and brick buildings.

The intermediate plan involves the privatization of sludge management services. The long term plan requires the selection and implementation of

beneficial use land-based schemes for utilization of sludge products.

The construction management services for the sludge dewatering program includes project management, resident engineering inspection and project operations services for the eight dewatering sites.

The joint venture is planning to use Stone & Webster's Construction Management Display System (COMANDS), an innovative 3D computer modeling program created for construction management application and designed to enhance operational efficiency on the project. The computer modeling will be used at each construction site for such tasks as scheduling, progress measurement and contract administration.

Construction of the dewatering facilities is scheduled for completion in 1992. The total construction cost for the project is estimated at $693 million.

Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation is a multidisciplinary firm that provides a full range of engineering, architecture, construction management and environmental services to government agencies and private industries. Its diverse areas of expertise include transportation, power, infrastructure rehabilitation, industrial processing and environmental compliance. The company is a subsidiary of Stone & Webster, Inc. (NYSE: SW) of New York.

Hazen and Swayer, P.C. has had a specialized practice in sanitary and environmental engineering since 1951. Headquartered in New York, the firm is totally owned by its professional employees. Hazen and Sawyer's practice includes water supply resource development and treatment, wastewater collection and treatment, solid and hazardous waste management and environmental projects.

CONTACT: Martin Reynolds of Stone & Webster, 617-589-1905.

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HIGHLAND PARK, MI (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today extended its incentives on new Dodge, Plymouth, Chrysler, Eagle and Jeep cars and trucks.

The program offers retail customers cash incentives of $300 to $2,500 depending on model and year or low annual percentage rate financing (APR) ranging from 7.9 percent to 10.9 percent. The new program begins today (Oct. 1) and runs through Dec. 16.

The low percentage rate financing is available only through Chrysler Credit Corporation. The rates are 7.9 percent for 1-48 months, and 10.9 percent for 49-60 months.

The eligible vehicles and the amount of the cash rebate are:

Car Line	1989/90	1991
Dodge Spirit	$1,000	$500
Plymouth Acclaim	$1,000	$500
Chrysler LeBaron (sedan)	$1,000	$500
Dodge Shadow (except America and convertibles)	$1,300	$500
Plymouth Sundance (except America)	$1,300	$500
Chrysler LeBaron Coupe	$1,500	$500
Chrysler LeBaron Convertible	$500	NA
Dodge Daytona	$1,300	$500
Chrysler 5th Avenue	$2,000	$750
Imperial	$2,000	$750
Chrysler New Yorker Salon	$1,300	$750
Dodge Dynasty	$1,300	$1,000
Chrysler New Yorker Landau	$1,300	NA
Eagle Premier	$2,500	$500
Dodge Monaco	$2,500	$500
Plymouth Laser	$1,000	$500
Eagle Talon	$1,000	$500
Eagle Summit	$1,000	$400
Truck		
Ram Van	$1,500	$500
Ram Conversion Van	$1,750	$750
Ram Wagon	$1,500	0
Ram light duty (except diesel)	$2,000	$500
Ramcharger	$2,000	$750
Mini Ram Van	$500	0
Dakota	$1,500	$300
Jeep Comanche	$1,000	$300
Cherokee	$2,500	0
Grand Wagoneer	$3,000	$3,000
Wrangler	$500	$500
Dodge Grand Caravan	$500	0
Plymouth Grand Voyager	$500	0
Chrysler Town & Country	$500	0
Imports		
Dodge and Plymouth Colt	$1,000	$400
Eagle Summit	$1,000	$400
Dodge and Plymouth Vista	$1,000	0
Ram 50 4 x 2	$750	$350
Power Ram 50 4 x 4	$1,000	$300
Dodge Conquest ('89 only)	$2,000	NA
Dodge Raider ('89 only)	$2,500	NA
Eagle Medallion ('89 only)	$1,000	NA

CONTACT: Tom Houston of Chrysler, 313-252-8790.

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#90274p9934 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Citicorp (NYSE: CCI) today announced the sale of its minority interest in the Diners Club franchise in Japan to the Fuji Bank Group and Japan Travel Bureau for approximately $60 million.

In recent years, Citicorp has been rebalancing its ownership of the Diners Club franchises around the world. Citicorp noted that this can mean either selling or buying an interest in a franchise, depending on local market conditions.

For example, Citicorp recently bought 100 percent ownership of Diners Club India, because it believes that franchise will prosper more rapidly under direct ownership. On the other hand, under the Fuji Bank Group and JTB management team, Diners Club Japan has prospered as a prestigious and well respected card in Japan, serving about 700,000 card members.

Diners Club Japan was founded in 1960 with Fuji Bank and JTB. Citicorp acquired a 25 percent interest in 1981.

Citicorp noted that the sale of its interest to its partners will not affect its franchise relationship with Diners Club Japan. Citicorp and its Japanese partners will ensure the continuing commitment to build a travel and entertainment card business whose members will be well served worldwide. The Fuji Bank Group and JTB will continue to focus on strengthening and growing the Diners Club franchise in Japan, while Citicorp will redirect its resources towards increased programs and support services that enhance the global acceptance of the card.

CONTACT: William J. Ahearn of Citicorp, 212-559-0409.

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#90274p9936 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
BLUE BELL, Pa. (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Unisys Corp. (NYSE: UIS) today announced a formal, comprehensive software architecture that will enable integration of both Unisys systems and those of other vendors - from PCs and workstations to mainframes - into the transparent information networks that are expected to dominate enterprise computing by the mid-1990s.

The company also introduced a series of architecture-compliant hardware and software products and several strategic product partnerships. They expand a base of more than 150 products currently in use that form the basis for the architecture. Unisys said it will introduce a steady stream of products this year and next as part of the architecture initiative that will allow users to build what Unisys calls an Integrated Information Environment.

James A. Unruh, Unisys president and chief executive officer, said at a New York City press conference today that the architecture and Integrated Information Environment program "is not a new strategy but rather the most important milestone in a strategy put in place following the 1986 merger of Sperry and Burroughs. It uses open standards to bring together a range of diverse products. Elements of this architectural blueprint have already been proven in day-to-day operation at customer sites worldwide. The formal release of architecture specifications means we can significantly accelerate creation of the Unisys way of computing for the 1990s."

Unruh said the Unisys software architecture strategy to make useful information readily available to the user, no matter where it is or on what equipment, is "significantly differentiated" from directions announced by other vendors. An important benefit to Unisys of the architecture, Unruh said is that "it provides a common superstructure that sits on top of our hardware platforms, bringing greater commonality to our open and proprietary product lines. It also puts us in the marketplace mainstream in that we are better positioned to offer non- Unisys users a total solutions package that they know will be fully interoperable with their existing computing environment."

Unisys said there are several key characteristics of the architecture: - It defines the specific roles of all product platforms - mainframes, UNIX systems and PCs and other workstations - in a distributed information environment.

- It uses open standards as the glue between proprietary systems and UNIX systems and workstations.

- It emphasizes value-added capabilities built on top of standards, putting emphasis on such areas as greater security and on-line transaction processing.

- It is a set of rules for guiding product development to meet market needs while getting the most effective results from R&D investment.

- It is a planning tool for both Unisys and customers that puts a premium on safeguarding current equipment investment while permitting the greatest user choice among future technologies.

Differentiators from competitive initiatives, Unisys said, include the unique combination of:

- A clearly defined role for the mainframe. - A firm commitment to open standards as the core of the strategy. - A strong, existing set of CASE/4GL tools for applications development that are being extended to other vendors' platforms.

- An information network rather than product orientation that permits maximum vendor-independent choice and flexibility for users.

The company said it believed it was the first full-line vendor to provide desktop to mainframe products supporting interoperability in an open environment.

Products and partnerships announced today include: - A new generation of Open Systems Interconnect (OSI) compliant mainframe operating software for the 1100/2200 Series and A Series product families which supports the role that mainframes will play as information hubs in an Integrated Information Environment.

- Availability of Unisys fourth generation language software products, MAPPER and ALLY, on a range of non-Unisys platforms - including the AT&T 3B2 family, NCR Tower Systems and Sun Microsystems SPARC platforms. MAPPER is also now available for Unisys Personal Workstation2 (PW2) systems and other IBM-compatible PCs running under the OS/2 operating system.

- Strategic software partnerships with PROCASE Corporation to develop a COBOL version of PROCASE's SMART systems software maintenance and reverse engineering tools; and with Applied Information Sciences (AIS) Incorporated to integrate the Unisys Open/OLTP offerings with the AIS UniAccess software which allows access to multivendor mainframes and servers.

Unisys also unveiled the Unisys Business Network, a working enterprise information network which provides cost-effective voice, video, data, messaging and image service for Unisys operations as well as for Unisys customers and business partners worldwide. The Unisys Business Network, which widely implements Ethernet LAN, TCP/IP and OSI technologies and protocols, enables any one of 100,000 workstations in 50 countries to obtain access to any of more than 700 mainframe hosts from a variety of vendors.

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PLYMOUTH, MN (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - In Home Health, Inc. (NASDAQ: IHHI) announced Wesley N. Perry has been hired as the Southeast Regional Manager of In Home Health, Inc. effective immediately. Perry's responsibilities will include developing the company's business in the Southeastern United States through acquisitions.

Perry was president of Hospital Home Care Corp. of America, Inc., a multi-office home health care company with operations in Virginia, Arizona, New Mexico and California from August 1989 to August 1990. His responsibilities included sales, operations, fiscal management and corporate development. Prior to Hospital Home Care Corp. of America, Inc., Perry worked for Curaflex Health Services, Inc. of Marietta, Ga., from August 1987 to August 1989. As the Southeast Division vice president, his responsibilities

included expansion and introduction of the concept of a comprehensive high tech home care services in the Southeast region through acquisitions and start-up operations.

Perry, 41, is a registered nurse and graduated with a Masters of Science in nursing from the University of Alabama in Birmingham, Ala. He currently lives in Atlanta, Ga., with his wife Darla and daughter Carmen.

Judy Figge, president and CEO said, "The addition of Wes Perry to the In Home Health, Inc. management team will help us continue with our strategy for expansion into new geographic markets. His experience in high tech home care and infusion therapy will assist us in expanding our operations into a new region for the company."

In Home Health, Inc. provides quality home health care to people of all ages in their own homes. Home health care is currently a $12 billion industry in the United States and is expected to grow to $30 billion by the mid 1990s.

CONTACT: Judy Figge or Pat Platto of In Home Health, Inc., 612-545-0102.

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SANTA ANA, CA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Ingram Micro D and Western Digital Corp. (AMEX: WDC) announced the signing of an exclusive, worldwide distribution agreement for Western Digital Imaging's complete line of Paradise video board products for the VGA and 8514/A markets. The agreement is effective Oct. 1, 1990, through Sept. 30, 1991.

Paradise is the industry's leading IBM-compatible video board product line. The Paradise product line supports all popular video standards, including 8514/A, VGA, EGA and pre-EGA.

"This agreement between our two companies represents a powerful channel partnership," said David R. Dukes, Ingram Micro D president. "It gives us a boost in our efforts to promote and advance those video standards that represent the best, long-term market opportunities for resellers. The explosive growth in windowing environments is contributing significantly to the steadily rising demand for workstation-quality graphics. And the trend toward more sophisticated graphics interfaces in mainstream applications goes hand-in-hand with the demand for video cards and monitors."

Roger W. Johnson, Western Digital chief executive officer, said, "This agreement provides what we believe to be the most effective way to market the popular Paradise video boards. Partnerships with strong players like Ingram Micro D are one of several different ways in which we can deliver value to the channel. Although this agreement could have been reached with a number of our loyal distributors, the selection of IMD was logical after an exhaustive

review of distributors' ability to add value to these products in the worldwide video enhancement aftermarket."

Western Digital Corp., headquartered in Irvine, Calif., is a multi-national company that designs, develops, manufactures and markets semi-conductors, subsystems and intelligent disk drives for original equipment manufacturers and resellers which serve the microcomputer industry.

Ingram Micro D Inc. is the world's largest distributor of microcomputer products, marketing and distributing more than 7,000 products from over 500 of the world's top hardware manufacturers and software developers. It serves as a wholesale distributor to over 40,000 reseller customers in the United States Canada and Europe. Ingram Micro D Inc. operates two international subsidiaries, Ingram Micro D Ltd. of Canada and Ingram Softeurop of Belgium. The company is headquartered in Santa Ana and achieved sales in excess of $1 billion in 1989.

CONTACT: David R. Dukes of Ingram Micro D Inc., 714-540-4781, or Lynda Orban of Western Digital Corp., 714-932-6249.

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DETROIT (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - UAW members have ratified their new three-year agreement by a margin of 80 percent in voting which concluded on Sunday (Sept. 30).

"This impressive ratification vote affirms our belief that the agreement we negotiated at General Motors measured up to the goals and expectations of the membership," said UAW President Owen Bieber and Vice President Stephen P. Yokich, who directs the union's General Motors Department.

The agreement assures UAW-GM workers job and income security, even in the event of volume-related layoffs; wage improvements totaling more than $14,000 for a typical production worker; substantial income gains for all retirees; continuation of excellent health insurance coverages; and significantly expanded union input into decisions affecting quality and sourcing.

The vote totals among production and maintenance workers were:

For:	63,963
Against:	15,787

The vote totals among the skilled trades workers were:

For:	22,069
Against:	5,674

"We could not have accomplished this fine agreement without the steadfast determination and hard work of the GM National Bargaining Committee, the local union leadership and especially the discipline of our well-informed and

sophisticated membership in GM plants across the country," Bieber and Yokich stated. The UAW leaders also paid tribute to the "constructive attitude" displayed throughout the negotiations by key General Motors officials including Chairman Robert Stempel and Vice President Al Warren.

"This agreement will serve as an excellent pattern for new contracts at Ford and Chrysler," they said.

"Once again, the UAW has overcome very tough challenges to pioneer gains in workplace rights and dignity which will set a benchmark for working people everywhere," Bieber and Yokich concluded.

CONTACT: Frank Joyce of UAW, 313-926-5291.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Country Lake Foods Inc. (NASDAQ: CLFI) today announced plans to discontinue operations at its two ice cream manufacturing plants, effective early in 1991. The company will continue to supply ice cream to its customers through an agreement with an outside supplier.

Country Lake Foods said the plants to be closed are in Grand Forks, N.D., where there are 28 employees, and Mora, Minn., with 37 employees. The company said it is taking a one-time, pre-tax charge of $750,000 associated with the plant closings in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Thomas N. Packard, president of Country Lake Foods, said the company will continue to sell ice cream, including the LAND O LAKES(R) and Bridgeman(R) brands, under an agreement with Wells Dairy in Le Mars, Iowa. Country Lake Foods will become the broker for Wells Dairy in Minnesota, and Wells will produce Country Lake's brands of ice cream for sale in North and South Dakota under a co-pack agreement.

Packard said the company plans to work with the state job services and its unions to help the affected employees find jobs and will also be working with the unions and the employees on other effects of the plant closures.

"We explored a number of alternatives before reluctantly reaching the conclusion that it was no longer economically feasible to continue operating these relatively small plants," Packard said. "At the same time, we are very pleased to have this association with Wells. Wells' Blue Bunny label is well established in Minnesota, and Wells is recognized for its high quality and state-of-the-art production facility."

Headquartered in Minneapolis, Country Lake produces and distributes fresh packaged milk, ice cream, other dairy products and fruit juices in a six-state

Midwest region.

CONTACT: Curt Swenson of Swenson/Falker Associates Inc., 612-371-0000; or Tim Martin of Country Lake Foods Inc., 612-851-1260.

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#90274p9954 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) will hold its second annnual "Partners in Success" program during the 20th Anniversary Convention of the National Black MBA Association, Oct. 3-7, at the Century Plaza Hotel and Towers in Los Angeles. This is one of six major conventions held by black professional organizations that Ford has joined during its 1990 schedule as a "Partner in Success."

Developed in 1989 in conjunction with Don Coleman & Associates, a Detroit-based advertising firm, the "Partners" program is designed to increase awareness of Ford's commitment to the black consumer and to black economic development. Events scheduled to take place during the MBA convention include:

-- Oct. 3, 5:30-7:30 p.m.: "Partners" will sponsor the "Ride and Drive" program. Convention participants will have the opportunity to test drive a 1991 Ford or Mercury vehicle on a road course designed by the Sports Car Club of America. Bob Bondurant, former professional race car driver and noted high-performance driving instructor, will be on hand to sign autographs and help navigate the course. This event will take place in the parking lot behind the hotel.

-- Oct. 4, 10:15-11:45 a.m.: "Rules of the Road: Can the U.S. Automotive Industry Compete?" will be hosted by the "Partners Advisory Panel," a panel comprised of a representative from the Ford Motor Company, as well as independent automotive experts. Discussions will also identify key regulatory requirements and emerging new markets.

-- Oct. 4-5, 6-8 p.m.: The "Partners" Hospitality Suite will be open. Detailed information on Ford, its divisions and the "Partners in Success" program will be provided.

-- Oct. 5, 12:30-6:30 p.m.: The 1991 Ford and Mercury vehicles will be on display in the California Showroom.

Participating Ford components are Ford Division, Lincoln-Mercury Division, Ford Credit, Ford Parts and Service Division, Ford Electronics Division, and North American Automotive Operations.

Other "Partners in Success" Conventions include the National Newspaper Publishers Association, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., the National Association of Black Journalists, and the National Alliance of Black School

Educators.

CONTACT: Kim Martin or Rita Whack of Don Coleman & Associates, 313-353-5855; or Bill Carroll of Ford Motor Company, 313-322-1300.

-30- 2586

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - First Team Sports, Inc. (NASDAQ: FTSP) announced earnings for the second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990. Net sales were $4,083,377 for the second quarter of fiscal 1991, an increase of 518 percent over net sales of $660,808 for the second quarter of fiscal 1990. Net sales for the first six months of fiscal 1991 were $6,994,529 compared to $1,836,267 for the first six months of fiscal 1990, a 281 percent increase. For the second quarter of fiscal 1991 the company had before tax income of $746,610 or $.23 per share compared to a before tax income of $5,323 in the second quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 was $461,777 or $.14 per share compared to net income of $5,323 in the second quarter of fiscal 1990. This represents an increase of 8,575 percent in net income from the second quarter of fiscal 1991 to the second quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income for the first six months of fiscal 1991 was $1,000,860 or $.32 per share compared to $288,158 or $.11 per share for the first six months of fiscal 1990; a 247 percent increase. Before tax income for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was $630,089 or $.21 per share and net income was $539,089 or $.18 per share.

Dave Soderquist, president of First Team Sports, Inc., said "The endorsement of the company's Ultra-Wheels(TM) by Wayne Gretzky and Janet Jones Gretzky has had a positive influence on the company's sales as well as on the entire in-line skate industry. With the additional endorsements of Jill Trenary, the reigning Women's World Figure Skating Champion and Kurt Browning, the reigning Men's World Figure Skating Champion, we feel that the company has strengthened its position in the United States market and will open new markets world wide. The acceptance of Ultra-Wheels in the southern and west coast areas of the United States has substantially eliminated the seasonality of the company's business."

First Team Sports, Inc., manufactures and distributes high quality in-line roller skates under the trademark ULTRA-WHEELS and SKATE ATTACK(TM) and related accessory products. The company's products are manufactured and assembled to its specifications in the United States and Taiwan. Its products are marketed by independent sales representatives and marketing organizations in North America, parts of Europe, and Far East. First Team Sports is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol "FTSP."

CONTACT: Bob Lenius of First Team Sports, Inc., 612-780-4454.

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#90274p9961 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Campeau Corporation today reported its unaudited financial results for the six-month period ended July 31, 1990. To assist investors in gaining a better understanding of the financial performance and position of the corporation and its subsidiaries, the financial statements continue to show both consolidated and parent-company only results. All figures are stated in U.S. dollars.

Consolidated revenue for Campeau Corporation amounted to $4.45 billion in the six-month 1990 period compared with $4.49 billion in the first half of 1989. This includes revenue from department stores of $3.11 billion in first-half 1990, down from $3.2 billion a year earlier.

Ralphs Grocery Company's revenue rose 7.1 percent to $1.24 billion from the supermarket company's first-half 1989 revenue of $1.16 billion.

Real estate revenue declined to $96 million in the first half of 1990 from $119 million in 1989 reflecting the disposition of rental properties in Canada and the United States net of rent increases principally in Canada and a decline in land sales. Subsequent to the end of the second quarter, the corporation has completed the sale of additional land and properties in Canada for a total of about $40 million. Since the beginning of the 1990 year, total asset dispositions in Canada have amounted to more than $135 million.

Consolidated operating profit amounted to $234 million in the 1990 period compared with $425 million for the same six months of 1989. Operating profit from department stores declined to $142 million in the 1990 period compared with $265 million in 1989.

The consolidated net loss from continuing operations for the first half of 1990 was $298 million compared with a loss in the 1989 period of $191 million. The 1990 loss includes gains on sale of assets of $47 million while the 1989 loss is after gains on sale of assets of $122 million. The 1990 net loss also includes $35 million in reorganization costs principally related to U.S. subsidiaries in reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. These include Allied Stores Corporation, Federated Department Stores, Inc., and Federated Stores, Inc. Ralphs Grocery Company did not file for relief under Chapter 11.

Revenue for the parent company amounted to $81 million in the six- month 1990 period compared with $89 million a year earlier with the decline reflecting the sale of properties.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - NeoRx Corporation (NASDAQ: NERX) announced today the promotion of Darrell Salk, M.D., as vice president, medical affairs and officer of the company. Salk has been employed in the medical department at NeoRx Corporation since July 1987, most recently as director of diagnostic imaging and clinical analysis.

Salk has directed the Phase I, II and III imaging studies performed by NeoRx, including the Phase III trials for two OncoTrac(R) products currently being evaluated for license by the Food and Drug Administration, OncoTrac Melanoma for imaging metastatic melanoma and OncoTrac Small Cell Lung Cancer for imaging small cell lung cancer. Salk's activities have included study design and data analysis, and he is responsible for establishing the clinical analysis and clinical database management systems at NeoRx.

Prior to joining NeoRx, Salk was on the faculty of the University of Washington, departments of pathology and pediatrics, and was director of the cytogenetics laboratory at Childrens Hospital and Medical Center, Seattle. Salk earned his M.D. at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and B.A. at Stanford University.

NeoRx Corporation, incorporated in May 1984, is developing monoclonal antibody-based pharmaceutical products for in vivo detection and treatment of certain types of cancer. The company has five cancer clinical trials in progress and has filed for marketing approval with the FDA for two OncoTrac imaging products to detect metastatic melanoma and small cell lung cancer.

CONTACT: Robert Littauer, vice president, CFO and treasurer of NeoRx, 206-281-7001, ext. 519; or Anthony J. Russo or Susan A. Noonan of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for NeoRx.

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#90274p9967 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - C.I.S. Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: CISI) announced today that its majority shareholder, Swiss Reinsurance Company of Zurich, Switzerland, is reviewing offers received for its 53 percent stake in C.I.S. SwissRe had previously granted an option until Oct. 1, 1990, to C.I.S. to purchase and or designate the purchaser(s) of SwissRe's C.I.S. stock.

"Although the company and SwissRe agreed to let the option expire on Oct. 1, it is SwissRe's intention to continue working with the company to arrange a sale of its C.I.S. shares," Philip D. Kurtz, C.I.S. president, stated.

CONTACT: Gifford Mabie of C.I.S. Technologies, 918-496-2451

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#90274p9969 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
DRYDEN, MI (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Champion Enterprises, Inc. (AMEX: CHB), headquartered in Dryden, announced today that it has, effective immediately, appointed Edward D. Smith president of its subsidiary Champion Motor Coach, Inc., based in Imlay City, Mich.

He also was elected group vice president - Transportation of Champion Enterprises, Inc., the subsidiary's parent holding company, by its board of directors.

Smith will be responsible for Champion Motor Coach's Commercial Vehicle Division in Imlay City as well as its Motor Home Division in Elkhart, Ind.

Smith joins Champion from Calsonic International, Inc. of Irvine, Calif., an automotive supplier, where he served as group vice president. His prior experience includes 20 years with automotive supplier Modine Manufacturing Co. of Racine, Wis., in a number of engineering, marketing and senior-level management positions.

Smith holds bachelor and master degrees in mechanical engineering from the University of Illinois and a master of business administration degree in marketing and finance from the University of Wisconsin.

Champion Enterprises, Inc. is a holding company whose principal subsidiaries are leading producers of manufactured homes, motor homes and medium-duty buses. These subsidiaries market their products nationwide through independent retailers and affiliated retail outlets. Champion Enterprises, Inc. common stock is listed on the American, Midwest and Pacific Stock Exchanges (ticker symbol: CHB -- listed as ChampEnt).

CONTACT: Gerald T. Kennedy of Champion Enterprises, Inc., 313-796-2211.

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#90274p9972 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
LAS VEGAS, NV (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nevada Power Company's (NYSE, PSE: NVP) board of directors today voted a quarterly cash dividend of 40 cents a share on its common stock, payable Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 11.

CONTACT: Richard G. Hyte, VP-finance and CFO of Nevada Power, 702-367-5711.

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#90274p9975 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
SIOUX FALLS, SD (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Raven Industries, Inc. (AMEX: RAV) announced today that it has been awarded a contract totaling $22 million by

the Defense Personnel Support Center in Philadelphia. The contract is for the manufacture of chemical-protective military clothing.

The company said that approximately $10 million of the total contact will be subcontracted to Tennessee Apparel Corp., a private company that is teamed with Raven on the manufacturing project.

Deliveries are scheduled to begin in calendar year 1991 and extend into 1992, Raven said.

Raven Industries last month reported second-quarter net earnings of $1.3 million, or 42 cents a share, against $1.2 million, or 38 cents, in the comparable quarter a year earlier, and sales of $21.4 million, down approximately 2 percent from the year-ago's $21.8 million. It also reported in August that it increased its quarterly cash dividend 20 percent to 9 cents a share from 7.5 cents.

CONTACT: Arnold Thue or Dale McAvoy of Raven Industries, 605-336-2750, or Dennis Waite of the Financial Relations Board, 312/266-7800.

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#90274p9980 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Beginning today, C&S and Sovran bank customers will be able to use any of the 864 Automated Teller Machines (ATMs) at either bank at no additional charge.

Linking the two networks effectively doubles the number of ATMs available to customers of each bank.

The ATM network will stretch from Baltimore to Key West, Fla., and will be one of the largest in the United States operated by a single bank holding company. The C&S and Sovran Banks are part of C&S/Sovran Corp. (NYSE: CVN), a financial services company created by the recent combination of The Citizens and Southern Corp. and Sovran Financial Corp.

C&S/Sovran has more than 1,000 bank offices in Georgia, Florida, Maryland, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and Washington, D.C. All ATMs in those states will be connected and available for use by C&S and Sovran customers. The company serves more than 5 million customers, including more than 2 million who have ATM cards. The C&S/Sovran banks process approximately 71 million ATM transactions annually.

Customers will be able to withdraw cash from checking and savings accounts, transfer funds between those accounts, check account balances and receive cash from C&S and Sovran bank card accounts. Customers will not be required to make any changes.

The company operates banks in some of the nation's major urban centers, including Atlanta, Norfolk, Va., Baltimore, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Nashville, Tampa/St. Petersburg, Fla., and Washington. It also operates banks in many resort and vacation destinations, such as Orlando, Fla., Hilton Head, S.C., Virginia Beach, Va., and other locations along the East Coast, as well as the west coast of Florida.

To connect the banks' ATM networks, computer systems development groups in Atlanta and Norfolk developed software enabling the data centers in those two cities to work together. Before the merger, all of C&S's electronic funds transfer processing took place in Atlanta, and Sovran's in Norfolk.

C&S/Sovran Corp., with dual headquarters in Atlanta and Norfolk, is the nation's 13th-largest bank holding company with $50.3 billion in assets at June 30. The C&S/Sovran factoring company is the third-largest in the nation and its mortgage servicing, credit card, leasing and corporate trust activities rank in the top 15.

CONTACT: Scott Scredon in Atlanta, 404-581-5555, or Mary Beth Dale in Norfolk 804-441-4247, both of C&S/Sovran Corp.

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#90274p9981 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Harris Bankcorp, Inc., parent company of Harris Trust and Savings Bank, today completed its purchase of Frankfort Bancshares, Inc., the majority owner of Frankfort State Bank, Frankfort, Ill.

The final agreement was signed by representatives of Harris and Frankfort. The agreement calls for a cash purchase price of $16.7 million. Located in northeast Will County, Frankfort State Bank had total assets at $92 million and total deposits of $83 million at June 30.

Frankfort Bancshares owns 89 percent of Frankfort State Bank, and Harris said today it will later acquire the remaining 11 percent of the common stock.

B. Kenneth West, Harris chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The acquisition provides us an attractive base from which Harris can participate in the rapid growth occurring in Will County. We are proud that Frankfort has become part of the Harris family."

Albert H. Krusemark Jr., chairman of Frankfort Bancshares, said, "The new association will enable Frankfort to continue to offer retail and commercial customers the very best service along with the new products and commercial expertise that Harris will provide."

The purchase brings to 12 the number of Chicago area community banks, with total assets of more than $2.5 billion, acquired by Harris Bankcorp since its

acquisition program began in 1982.

CONTACT: Brace Pattou of Harris Bankcorp, 312-461-6624, or Antonio Tortorici of Frankfort State Bank, 815-469-5100.

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#90274p9984 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - RAC Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: RMF) today announced a monthly dividend of $0.105 per share to holders of record on Oct. 12, 1990, payable on Nov. 1. The ex-dividend trade date is Oct. 5, 1990.

RAC Income Fund, a closed-end investment fund, primarily invests in fixed-income mortgage-backed securities that are rated AAA or AA by a nationally recognized agency, or are issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government, its agencies or instrumentalities. To a lesser degree, the fund may also invest in mortgage securities deemed to have an equivalent rating by the fund manager. The fund's goal is to distribute monthly income that is 150 to 200 basis points greater than the rate obtainable from U.S. Treasury securities, having the same maturity as the expected average life of the fund's investments.

RAC Income Fund is managed by Ryland Acceptance Advisers, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Ryland Acceptance Corporation. Ryland Acceptance Corporation is an indirect subsidiary of The Ryland Group, Inc.

CONTACT: Jennifer K. Collins of RAC Income Fund, 301-730-6851.

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#90274p9986 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Flight attendants employed by WestAir (United Express), represented by the Association of Flight Attendants (AFA), reached a tentative agreement on a first-time contract with the company Friday Sept. 28. The agreement was reached after almost 21 months of negotiations, the AFA said.

Negotiations between the WestAir flight attendants and management began on Jan. 9, 1989. The flight attendants voted to be represented by AFA on May 23, 1988.

WestAir employs 200 flight attendants and has its headquarters in Fresno, Calif., with additional flight attendant bases located in Bakersfield and Sacramento, Calif., and at Washington-Dulles (currently operated at Atlantic Coast). The agreement will cover an additional 14 flight attendants from NPA, Inc. when the merger of that airline and WestAir is completed by WestAir Holding, Inc. Atlantic Coast and NPA are also United Express carriers."

The tentative agreement includes substantial pay and work rule improvements over the life of the three-year contract. Details of the agreement are being withheld pending ratification by the membership. The flight attendants will vote on the agreement by confidential mail ballots which will be counted in early November.

"This agreement on a first-time contract is a career milestone for the WestAir flight attendants," said Susan Bianchi-Sand, AFA national president. "These are front-line workers, responsible for passenger safety, and the work rule and pay improvements in this contract are well-deserved and long overdue."

The Association of Flight Attendants, AFL-CIO, represents 30,000 flight attendants on 18 airlines and is the largest flight attendant union in the world.

CONTACT: Cindy Yeast of the Association of Flight Attendants, 202-328-5400.

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#90274p9987 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAFAYETTE HILL, PA (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Unity Savings Bank PaSA (NASDAQ: HUSB) reported today that it has received permission from the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) to continue its current operations pending completion of the OTS' review of the revised capital restoration plan Home Unity submitted recently to the OTS.

Home Unity's original capital restoration plan, submitted to the OTS on Jan. 8 1990, and approved, subject to the terms of an operating agreement between Home Unity and the OTS, on March 19, 1990, was predicated upon Home Unity's obtaining a capital infusion of $26 million by Sept. 30, 1990. Although Home Unity continues to diligently seek such an infusion, as of today no agreement for that infusion has been consummated. The revised capital restoration plan which Home Unity recently submitted to the OTS contemplates Home Unity's obtaining commitments for a capital infusion of $12 million by Dec. 31, 1990, and consummating a capital infusion for a total of $33 million by Dec. 31, 1991.

Michael C. Rush, Home Unity's president and chief executive officer, stated, "We continue our diligent efforts to obtain our required capital infusion, and look forward to the OTS' response to our revised capital restoration plan. In the meantime, we will continue our focus on our core, retail banking operations. This has provided the basis for the significant continued improvements in Home Unity's profitability, net interest spread and operating expenses over the last several quarters."

Home Unity's common stock is traded in the Over-the-Counter market.

CONTACT: Michael C. Rush, president and CEO, or Christopher Cunnane of Home

Unity Savings Bank, 215-825-8900

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#90274p9994 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Transco Energy Co. (NYSE: E) board of directors today declared quarterly dividends of $1.1875 per share on the $4.75 series cumulative convertible preferred stock and $.955 per share on the 9.25 percent cumulative convertible preferred stock. Each preferred dividend is payable Nov. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 16, 1990.

CONTACT: Katherine E. Kemper of Transco Energy Co., 713-439-2455.

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#90274p9995 10/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (OCT. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Financial News Network Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FNNI) today filed for an extension of time to file its Form 10-K Annual Report with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

FNN is not able to complete its financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, at this time because its independent auditors have not yet completed their examination.

FNN and its auditors are discussing, and have not yet resolved, several accounting issues, most significantly the treatment of approximately $28 million invested in development of the new FNN:PRO product introduced in July 1990. Also under review are valuation of data receivers furnished to customers of FNN:Data Broadcasting, accounting for sale and leasebacks of such receivers, related party transactions and FNN's property accounts.

FNN has obtained independent advice on the major issues under discussion with its auditors and believes that it has properly accounted for both the FNN:PRO development costs and the data receivers. However, should these accounting issues ultimately be resolved contrary to FNN's position, FNN would report a very substantial non-cash loss for at least the fourth quarter of FY 1990 and for the year.

As a result of the foregoing issues, FNN may be placed in defaults under its bank credit agreements pursuant to which approximately $48.5 million is outstanding. FNN is commencing discussions with its principal bank to seek appropriate waivers to prevent default. In addition to the bank loans, as of June 30, 1990, the company was obligated under approximately $73 million of lease agreements. Bank and lease payments are current.

"FNN basic business operations are stronger than ever," stated Dr. Earl Brian, FNN chairman. "FNN now reaches more than 35 million homes and has earned the position of leader of televised business news. We intend to retain and to

strengthen FNN's position in the marketplace," he added.

Financial News Network provides three services to more than 35 million homes on 3,500 cable systems throughout the United States and Canada. The services are: FNN:Business (business news and personal financial management); FNN:Sports (sports information and news); and FNN:Data Broadcasting (stock quotes and market information). FNN also operates a business radio service and owns a majority position in The Learning Channel, which provides 24 hours daily of adult educational programming to up to 18 million households.

CONTACT: Amber Gordon of Quest Business Agency, 703-359-6404, for Financial News Network Inc.; or Earl W. Brian of Financial News Network Inc., 212-891-7300

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DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (OCTOBER 1) TASS - SAUDI ARABIA HAS REINFORCED ITS NORTHERN BORDERS, DISTRIBUTING DEFENSIVE DISPOSITIONS IN DEPTH FOR SEVERAL DOZENS OF KILOMETERS.

EGYPTIAN AND SYRIAN TROOPS ARE PARTICIPATING IN ENSURING THE SECURITY OF SAUDI ARABIAN BORDERS WITH IRAQ. UNITS OF THE KUWAITI ARMY HAVE BEEN DEPLOYED ON THE SECOND LINE OF DEFENCE. THE MAIN COMMAND OF THE MULTILATERAL ARMED FORCES IS COORDINATING THE BUILD-UP.

ON SUNDAY THE SAUDI LEADERSHIP ARRANGED A TRIP FOR FOREIGN JOURNALISTS INTO THE AREA OF TROOP DEPLOYMENT ON THE DIBDIBA PLAIN.

COMMANDERS OF UNITS REPORT THAT ONLY 20 KILOMETERS SEPARATE THE TWO SIDES.

FORWARD-BASED SYRIAN UNITS WERE PULLED BACK FROM THE BORDER DEEPER INTO SAUDI ARABIA.

DIBDIBA PLAIN WHICH IS BARREN OF VEGETATION, HAS BEEN PEPPERED WITH TRENCHES OVER AN AREA OF HUNDREDS OF SQUARE KILOMETERS. ARMOURED TROOPS, ARTILLERY DIVISIONS EQUIPPED WITH "GROUND-TO-GROUND" MISSILES AND OTHER ARMS AS WELL AS MECHANISED INFANTRY BRIGADES AND COMMANDOS UNITS HAVE BEEN ALERTED.

GENERAL TURKI HODEIJANI, COMMANDER OF THE 20TH SAUDI MECHANISED INFANTRY BRIGADE, TOLD REPORTERS THAT THE ROYAL FORCES HAVE HIGH MORALE. THE BRIGADE IS READY TO PROTECT THE COUNTRY'S BORDERS AGAINST ANY AGGRESSION.

THE NORTHERN BORDER IS SITUATED AT A DISTANCE OF OVER 1,500 KILOMETERS FROM MECCA, SO THE IRAQI ARMY DOES NOT THREATEN HOLY ISLAMIC SHRINES, THE GENERAL SAID. THERE ARE NO U.S. FORCES IN THE NORTHERN DISTRICT.

THE MULTINATIONAL ARMED FORCES TOOK MEASURES TO PROTECT THEMSELVES IN CASE

IRAQ USES CHEMICAL WEAPONS, HODEIJANI SAID. AT THE SAME TIME HE NOTED THAT HE BELIEVES THAT THE DANGER OF IRAQI CHEMICAL ATTACK HAD BEEN "EXAGGERATED."

HE SAID DATA ABOUT THE NUMERICAL STRENGTH OF AN IRAQI ARMY ON SAUDI BORDERS WAS ALSO EXAGGERATED. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION, THE SAUDI GENERAL DESCRIBED AS "IMPLAUSIBLE", IRAQ KEEPS SOME 400,000 SOLDIERS IN THE AREA.

ABDEL RAHIM MOHAMMED SAID, COLONEL OF THE GENERAL STAFF OF THE EGYPTIAN ARMY, SAID THAT EGYPTIAN COMMANDOS ARE READY TO FULFIL ANY OPERATIONS WITHIN THE MULTINATIONAL ARMED FORCES. THEY HAVE AT THEIR DISPOSAL SOVIET ARMS.

"WE HAVE NO SOVIET ARMS, BUT WE ARE DEEPLY SATISFIED BY THE FACT THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS CONDEMNED THE TREACHEROUS SEIZURE OF KUWAIT BY THE IRAQI REGIMEN," LIEUTENANT-COLONEL ABDUL AZIZ ABUL ALYA, DEPUTY COMMANDER OF THE SAUDI TANK REGIMENT, TOLD TASS.

ABUL ALYA ABDEL AZIZ SAID THAT THE PEOPLE OF SAUDI ARABIA, IN WHICH THE ROYAL ARMED FORCES ARE INCLUDED, IS PLEASED ABOUT THE RESTORATION OF THE SAUDI-SOVIET DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS.

THE SOVIET UNION'S READINESS TO SEND ITS UNITS TO OPERATE UNDER THE UNITED NATIONS FLAG IS WELCOMED BY SAUDI ARABIA, HE SAID.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 1) TASS -

RUSSIAN LAWMAKERS, SCRAMBLING TO PROVIDE A LEGAL GROUNDWORK FOR AN AMBITIOUS PROGRAMME TO INTRODUCE A MARKET ECONOMY IN THE LARGEST SOVIET REPUBLIC, ARE SOON EXPECTED TO PASS A BILL ON PROPERTY OWNERSHIP, ACCORDING TO RUSSIAN FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT RUSLAN KHASBULATOV.

THE BILL WILL BE THE FIRST IN A SERIES OF LAWS UNDER CONSIDERATION IN PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS, KHASBULATOV TOLD TASS.

INITIALLY, RUSSIAN AUTHORITIES PLANNED TO EMBARK ON FREE- MARKET REFORMS ON OCTOBER 1. HOWEVER, THE ABSENCE OF A LEGAL MECHANISM HAMSTRUNG THE PLANNED REFORM.

RUSSIAN PRIME MINISTER WILL ADDRESS PARLIAMENT ON OCTOBER 6 ON MEASURES TO STABILISE THE ECONOMY AND PREPARE IT FOR THE TRANSITION TO MARKET RELATIONS, KHASBULATOV SAID.

PARLIAMENT IS PREPARING A BILL ON ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN RUSSIA, WHICH WILL GIVE EQUAL RIGHTS TO SOVIET AND FOREIGN ENTREPRENEURS IN ORDER TO ATTRACT FOREIGN INVESTORS.

PARLIAMENT HAS ALREADY PASSED A RESOLUTION ON THE SETTING UP OF FREE ECONOMIC ZONES IN RUSSIA, KHASBULATOV SAID.

BESIDES ECONOMIC LAWS, THE SUPREME SOVIET WILL ALSO PASS SEVERAL OTHER BILLS, INCLUDING A BILL ON REFERENDA AND LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT.

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VILNIUS (OCTOBER 1) TASS - THE GOVERNMENT OF LITHUANIAN PRIME MINISTER KAZIMIERA PRUNSKIENE IS COMING UNDER FIRE AS THE REPUBLIC'S ECONOMIC POSITION CONTINUES TO DETERIORATE.

PRUNSKIENE'S MAIN DEFENCE THUS FAR HAS BEEN THAT "THE GOVERNMENT'S ACTIVITIES ARE AIMED AT ASSERTING LITHUANIA'S INDEPENDENCE".

EXPLAINING HER IDEA IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE EKHO LITVY NEWSPAPER, PRUNSKIENE STRESSED THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS DRAFTING A "PROGRAMME FOR ECONOMIC REFORM AND REORGANISATION OF THE LITHUANIAN ECONOMY AND FOREIGN POLICY".

AS FOR SWITCHING TO NEW ECONOMIC RELATIONS, "PRIVATISATION WILL BEGIN AFTER PARLIAMENT ADOPTS REMAINING LAWS," SHE NOTED.

PRUNSKIENE PINS GREAT HOPES ON A MEETING BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BALTIC REPUBLICS, MOLDAVIA, BYELORUSSIA AND THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION WHICH WAS HELD IN TALLINN LAST FRIDAY.

COMMENTING ON ITS RESULTS, SHE EMPHASISED THAT "THIS WAS THE SNATCHING OF THE INITIATIVE FROM THE CENTRE AND THE FORMATION OF NEW RELATIONS, INCLUDING MULTILATERAL".

SHE PREDICTED THAT EAST AND CENTRAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE NEXT TALLINN MEETING. "THE CECHY REPUBLIC HAS EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO PARTICIPATE IN SUCH A MEETING," SHE SAID.

PRUNSKIENE BELIEVES THE DISCUSSION AT THE MEETING OF MAINTAINING ECONOMIC RELATIONS AT THE 1990 LEVEL THE LITHUANIAN ECONOMY FROM COLLAPSE.

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#90274u0014 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (SEPT. 30) UPI - President Bush urged leaders attending the World Children's Summit on Sunday to join in a partnership to save millions of children dying of disease and malnutrition.

Bush delivered the eight-minute speech and returned to Washington for a few hours to hail the compromise budget deficit package. He flew back to New York to prepare for his speech Monday to the U.N. General Assembly.

In the brief address to the United Nations-sponsored conference, Bush declared the world's children ''can be saved when we live up to our responsibilities, not just as an assembly of governments but as a world community of adults, of parents.''

He cited steps the United States is taking to reduce infant mortality and to improve the health of both mothers and children, and he announced that he is sending Health Secretary Louis Sullivan to Africa, where acquired immune deficiency syndrome is killing many children.

Bush said Sullivan will ''see what else America and the world can do to advance child survival across the continent and across the world.''

''There is still another child-killer loose in the world that knows no cure: AIDS,'' Bush said. ''And nowhere is this killer taking more lives than in Africa.''

Speaking of the fate of the world's children, mainly in the poverty- stricken areas, Bush said: ''The facts are as stark as they are oppressive. They are almost 3 billion young people on Earth today, and more than 14 million of them will die this year.

''In the next hour alone, 1,000 babies will perish,'' Bush said. ''But we are here to defy cold statistics. We have seen children with swollen bellies. We have seen the pleading eyes of starvation. We have heard the cries of children dying of disease.

''So let us affirm, in this historic world summit, that these children can be saved.''

The summit, which brought together more than 70 world leaders, was called to set goals to improve the lives of deprived children throughout the world.

The leaders also were urging nations to ratify the Convention on the Rights of the Child, adopted last year by the U.N. General Assembly after a decade of debate.

Some 100 countries have signed the convention and more than 40 have put ratification on their legislative agendas, but the United States has balked so far at putting the convention up for ratification so far.

The U.S. opposition centers on the failure of the convention to condemn abortion and its opposition to capital punishment for persons under 18 years of age. The capital punishment provision conflicts with some state laws.

But Sullivan and Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos dismissed as ''technicalities'' the U.S. failure to ratify the convention and said it

agrees with the substance of the convention.

The president Sunday interrupted his three-day diplomatic whirl at the United Nations to fly back to Washington for a few hours to hail the historic compromise budget deficit package.

On his return to New York, Bush resumed his one-on-one sessions with a series of world leaders, including Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel. He also had a dinner meeting with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

In a preview of the president's speech Monday to the General Assembly, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said his remarks will focus on the U.N.'s history and ''effectiveness in light of the new relationship to Iraq.''

Fitzwater said the president will discuss how the world organization has adapted to the political changes around the globe and ''and is pulling together to deal with the Persian Gulf problem.''

Bush also was prepared to say that when the Iraqi invasion occurred ''the world was ready.'' But at the same time, Fitzwater told reporters the United States was not ready to present any new resolutions regarding Iraq.

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#90274u0023 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 1) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

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Dawson rf	5	2	1	2	Johnson ss	3	1	0	0
Salazar lf	3	0	0	0	Reed lf	4	1	2	2
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Chamberln lf	4	1	2	1	Grissom lf	4	1	1	1
Murphy rf	4	0	0	0	Wallach 3b	4	0	1	0
Hayes 3b	3	0	0	1	Galarrag 1b	3	0	0	0
Daulton c	2	0	0	0	Mercado c	3	0	1	0
Thon ss	3	0	1	0	Owen ss	3	0	0	0
Hollins 1b	3	0	0	0	Paredes 2b	3	0	1	0
Kruk 1b	0	0	0	0	Nabholz p	2	0	0	0
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Philadelphia	000	101	000- 2
Montreal	000	100	000- 1

E-Wallach. DP-Montreal 1. LOB- Philadelphia 4, Montreal 3. 2B-Chamberlain, Thon, Paredes, Ready, Nixon. HR-Grissom (3). SF-Hayes.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Philadelphia						
Mlhllnd (W 9-10)	9	5	1	1	0	2
Montreal						
Nabhlz (L 6-2)	8	5	2	2	3	4
Burke	1	0	0	0	0	2

Umpires-Home, McSherry; 1b, Davidson; 2b, Williams; 3b, Hirschbeck.

T-2:04. A-17,464.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Smith lf	5	1	1	0	Yelding cf	3	0	0	0
Treadway 2b	3	1	1	0	Candaele 2b	4	0	1	2
Gant cf	2	0	1	0	Biggio c	4	1	0	0
Justice rf	2	0	0	1	Davis 1b	4	1	1	0
Gregg 1b	3	0	0	0	Stubbs lf	4	0	0	0
Cabrera 1b	1	0	0	0	Young cf	0	0	0	0
Blauser ss	4	0	0	0	Ramirez ss	4	2	2	1
Lemke 3b	3	0	0	0	Caminiti 3b	4	1	2	1
Olson c	2	0	0	0	Davidson rf	4	0	2	1
Whitt ph	1	0	1	0	Portugal p	2	1	0	1
Glavine p	0	0	0	0	Agosto p	0	0	0	0
McDowell ph	1	0	0	0	Clancy p	0	0	0	0
Grant p	0	0	0	0					
Bell ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	28	2	4	1	Totals	33	6	8	6

Atlanta	000	000	020-	2
Houston	040	000	02x-	6

E-Blauser, Ramirez, Cabrera, Justice. DP-Houston 2. LOB-Atlanta 8, Houston 5.
S-Glavine 2, Portugal.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Glvn (L 10-12)	6	6	4	4	1	1
Grant	2	2	2	0	0	2
Houston						
Prtgl (W 11-10)	7	3	2	2	6	5
Agosto	0	0	0	0	1	0
Clancy (S 1)	2	1	0	0	0	1

Portugal pitched to three batters in 8th; Agosto pitched to one batter in 8th.

Umpires-Home, Layne; 1b, Runge; 2b, Hohn; 3b, Davis.

T-2:23. A-14,387.

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Harris 3b	3	0	3	0	Butler cf	4	3	3	0
Vizcaino ss	1	0	0	0	Kingery cf	0	0	0	0
Javier cf	4	0	2	0	Thompson 2b	5	3	3	2
Gwynn lf	3	0	1	0	Clark 1b	2	1	0	0
Gonzalez lf	1	0	0	0	Laga 1b	0	0	0	0
Murray 1b	4	0	0	0	Williams 3b	5	1	0	2
Brooks rf	4	0	1	0	Bass rf	4	0	0	1
Scioscia c	2	0	1	0	Decker c	4	0	1	1
Hernandez c	1	0	0	0	Litton lf	3	0	0	0
Searage p	0	0	0	0	Uribe ss	1	0	0	0
Lopez ph	1	0	0	0	Benjamin ss	3	0	1	0
Perry p	0	0	0	0	Novoa p	1	0	0	0
Samuel 2b	3	1	1	0	Reuschel p	2	0	0	0
Sharpersn ss	3	0	0	0	Parker lf	1	0	1	0
Hatcher ph	1	0	0	0					
Valenzuela p	2	0	0	0					
Holmes p	0	0	0	0					
Lyons c	2	1	1	2					
Totals	35	2	10	2	Totals	35	8	9	6

Los Angeles	000	000	200-	2
San Francisco	204	200	00x-	8

E-Scioscia 2, Harris. DP-San Francisco 2. LOB-Los Angeles 7, San Francisco 8. 2B-Brooks, Benjamin. HR-Thompson (15), Lyons (3). SB-Thompson 2 (14), Butler (48), Javier (14).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Vlnzl (L 13-13)	4	7	8	7	2	3
Holmes	2	1	0	0	1	1
Searage	1	0	0	0	0	1
Perry	1	1	0	0	1	0
San Francisco						
Reschl (W 3-6)	5	7	0	0	1	3
Novoa (S 1)	4	3	2	2	0	2

WP-Valenzuela. HBP-By Perry (Laga).

Umpires-Home, Tata; 1b, Quick; 2b, Bonin; 3b, Rennert.

T-2:33. A-44,235.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Cora 2b	5	0	0	0	Hatcher cf	2	0	1	0
Stephensn 1b	4	0	0	0	Quinones ss	4	0	1	0
Jackson cf	4	1	1	0	Benzinger lf	3	0	0	0
Carter lf	3	2	1	1	Lee 1b	4	0	0	0
Pagliarul 3b	4	0	2	0	Braggs rf	4	0	1	0
JeClark rf	4	0	1	1	Trevino c	2	0	0	0
Lampkin c	4	0	1	0	Reed ph	1	0	0	0
Faries ss	3	0	0	0	Oester 3b	4	0	2	0
Lilliquist p	3	0	0	0	Bates 2b	4	0	0	0
Harris p	1	0	0	0	Rijo p	1	0	0	0
					Oliver ph	1	0	0	0
					Mahler p	0	0	0	0
					Morris ph	1	0	0	0
					Layana p	0	0	0	0
					Armstrong p	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	3	6	2	Totals	31	0	5	0

San Diego	100	100	010-	3
Cincinnati	000	000	000-	0

E-Rijo, Cora, Oester. DP-San Diego 2. LOB-San Diego 7, Cincinnati 8.
2B-Jackson. SB-Hatcher (30).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Lllqst (W 5-11)	6	4	0	0	2	5
Harris (S 9)	3	1	0	0	1	4
Cincinnati						
Rijo (L 14-8)	5	4	2	1	2	5
Mahler	2	0	0	0	0	1
Layana	1	2	1	0	0	0
Armstrong	1	0	0	0	0	2

Lilliquist pitched to two batters in the seventh inning.

BALK-Lilliquist. HBP-By Lilliquist (Trevino).

Umpires-Home, Gregg; 1b, Crawford; 2b, Harvey; 3b, Demuth.

T-2:34. A-32,407.

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi
Redus 1b	2	0	0	1	Gilkey lf	3	0	0	0
LaValliere c	0	0	0	0	Walling ph	1	0	0	0
Bell ss	3	0	0	0	OSmith ss	3	0	0	0
Van Slyke cf	4	0	1	1	Lankford cf	3	0	0	0
Bonilla rf	4	0	1	0	Guerrero 1b	3	0	0	0
Bonds lf	3	0	0	0	Pendleton 3b	3	0	1	0
King 3b	4	0	1	0	Thompson rf	3	0	1	0
Slaught c	3	0	1	0	LeSmith p	0	0	0	0
Cangelosi pr	0	1	0	0	Pagnozzi c	3	0	0	0
Bream 1b	1	0	0	0	Oquendo 2b	3	0	1	0
Lind 2b	4	1	1	0	Magrane p	1	0	0	0
Drabek p	4	0	1	0	Collins rf	1	0	0	0
Totals	32	2	6	2	Totals	27	0	3	0

Pittsburgh	000	000	020-	2
St. Louis	000	000	000-	0

LOB-Pittsburgh 7, St. Louis 1. 2B-Pendleton, King. S-Oquendo. SF-Redus.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Drbk (W 22-6)	9	3	0	0	0	2
St. Louis						
Mgrn (L 10-17)	8	5	2	2	3	3
LeSmith	1	1	0	0	0	1

Umpires-Home, Hallion; 1b, West; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Montague.

T-2:09. A-32,672.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - Now the New England Patriots may not want to talk about football, either.

After controversy over the sexual harassment of a female sports writer by five players became national news and prompted an NFL legal investigation last week the Patriots wanted only to get on the field.

The 37-13 trouncing by the New York Jets Sunday should have had the Patriots longing to hide in their locker room - no matter who was in it.

''It wasn't a normal week,'' said New England quarterback Marc Wilson, who completed only 19 of 41 passes and was intercepted three times.

''I don't think anyone would say it was a normal week but I don't think any of us could use that as an excuse.''

While the Patriots endured a long week, the Jets contended with a short one following a Monday night drubbing by the Buffalo Bills.

New York responded with 499 yards in total offense. The team that allowed Buffalo 292 yards six days earlier to rank last in the league against the run surrendered 89 rushing to the Patriots. New England fell to 1-3 and suffered its second straight blowout since the Sept. 17 dressing room incident involving Boston Herald sports writer Lisa Olson. The Patriots lost to Cincinnati 41-7 the previous week.

Jets rookies Rob Moore, the top supplemental pick, and Blair Thomas, the second overall choice in the draft, finally shone after shaking off injuries. Moore caught nine passes for 175 yards and one touchdown and Thomas ran for 100 yards on 20 carries.

Brad Baxter, the bulldog of a fullback who has come through since training camp after spending last season on the developmental squad, scored two touchdowns. Ken O'Brien completed 19 of 28 passes for 282 yards and one touchdown to help the Jets move to 2-2.

''They gritted their teeth, accepted the criticism last week and kicked (butt) '' Jets Coach Bruce Coslet said.

The Patriots may have far more to accept. Team owner Victor Kiam, who initially blamed Boston Herald reporter Lisa Olson's presence in the locker room for abusive behavior by the players involved, Sunday vowed there would be shakeups in management but was told by league commisioner Paul Tagliabue to hold off until the investigation is over.

''I think we really have to look at ourselves,'' Patriots defensive end Brent Williams said.

The game was played before 36,724 spectators at the 60,794-seat Foxboro Stadium, with 647 no-shows in the wake of a boycott call.

In other games Sunday, the New York Giants dumped Dallas 31-17, Denver nipped Buffalo 29-28, Tampa Bay topped Minnesota 23-20 in overtime, Indiana nipped Philadelphia 24-23, Miami pounded Pittsburgh 28-6, Green Bay downed Detroit 24-21, Kansas City clobbered Cleveland 34-0, Houston defeated San Diego 17-7 and Washington beat Phoenix 38-10.

Monday night, Cincinnati visits Seattle.

-- AROUND THE NFL --

Giants 31, Cowboys 17

At East Rutherford, N.J., Phil Simms threw three touchdown passes to help New York, 4-0, defeat Dallas, 1-3, for the second time in three weeks. Simms threw scoring passes of 12 yards to Mark Ingram, 7 to Bob Mrosko, and 27 to rookie Rodney Hampton. Dallas scored on rookie Emmitt Smith's 4-yard run, a 7-yard pass from Troy Aikman and a 22-yard field goal by Ken Willis.

Bills 29, Broncos 28

At Orchard Park, N.Y., linebacker Cornelius Bennett ran 80 yards with a blocked field goal attempt and recovered a fumble to set up another score and Buffalo rallied for three touchdowns within 1:17 of the final quarter. The comeback overshadowed Denver running back Bobby Humphrey's 177 yards on 34 carries, including 100 yards and a TD in the first half.

Buccaneers 23, Vikings 20 OT

At Minneapolis, Steve Christie kicked a 36-yard field goal at 9:11 of OT to end Minnesota's home winning streak at 14 games dating back to October, 1988. The kick came after Tampa Bay's Wayne Haddix intercepted a pass from Rich Gannon, making his first NFL start. At 5:19 of OT, former Tampa Bay kicker Don Igwebuike missed a 48-yard field goal. Tampa Bay, 3-1, dropped the Vikings to 1-3, their worst start since 1972.

Colts 24, Eagles 23

At Philadelphia, Jack Trudeau threw a 6-yard touchdown pass to Bill Brooks as time expired and Dean Biasucci made the game-winning extra point to lead Indianapolis to its first victory. Trudeau, who started in place of the injured Jeff George, completed 19 of 40 passes for 329 yards and two scores and led the Colts on the final drive in the last 1:51. The Eagles fell to 1-3.

Dolphins 28, Steelers 6

At Pittsburgh, Sammie Smith ran for two touchdowns to lead Miami, 3- 1, over the Steelers, who have failed to score an offensive touchdown this season. After the Dolphins went ahead 21-0, the Three Rivers Stadium crowd booed the Steelers and chanted ''Let's Go Bucs'' in honor of baseball's Pittsburgh Pirates, who clinched the National League East title.

Packers 24, Lions 21

At Pontiac, Mich., Don Majkowski threw his third touchdown pass of the game 26

yards to Jeff Query with 55 seconds left, rallying Green Bay. The Packers, 2-2 came back from a 21-10 fourth-quarter deficit to down their NFC Central rivals. The Lions dropped to 1-3. Majkowski, in his second straight start after a contract holdout, completed 28 of 46 passes for 269 yards and three TDs.

Chiefs 34, Browns 0

At Kansas City, Mo., Steve DeBerg threw two touchdown passes and the Chiefs blocked punts for two more TDs to hand Cleveland its third straight loss. Cornerback Albert Lewis blocked a punt for the third time in as many games and defensive back Charles Washington blocked another for the Chiefs, 3-1. Browns quarterback Bernie Kosar, off to his worst start in seven seasons, was sacked twice and pressured throughout.

Oilers 17, Chargers 7

At San Diego, Warren Moon threw for 355 yards and two touchdowns to carry Houston. Tony Zendejas kicked a 34-yard field goal in the fourth quarter to help Houston even its record at 2-2 and drop San Diego to 1- 3. Moon finished 27 of 46 and passed for 238 yards in the first half when he threw both TDs.

Raiders 24, Bears 10

At Los Angeles, Marcus Allen ran for two touchdowns and Greg Townsend returned a fumble 1 yard for another score, lifting the undefeated Raiders over previously unbeaten Chicago. In going to 4-0 for the first time in six years, Los Angeles improved its record in the Coliseum under Coach Art Shell to 9-0. The Bears, 3-1, scored on Jim Harbaugh's 80-yard pass to Dennis Gentry in the opening period and Kevin Butler's 22-yard field goal.

Redskins 38, Cardinals 10

At Phoenix, Stan Humphries passed for 2 TDs and ran for another in his first NFL start to lead Washington to its second victory over the Cardinals in four weeks. Humphries, thrust into the starting role by a knee injury to Mark Rypien, completed 20 of 25 passes for 257 yards. Wide receiver Gary Clark caught eight of Humphries' passes for 162 yards, including a pair of touchdown strikes of 42 yards each. Washington previously ruined former Redskins assistant Joe Bugel's debut as a head coach with a 31-0 rout.

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Dallas	0	3	7	7--17
NY Giants	7	10	0	14--31

FIRST QUARTER
NYG-Ingram 12 pass from Simms (Bahr kick), 13:27

SECOND QUARTER
Dal-FG Willis 22, 3:20
NYG-FG Bahr 34, 8:49
NYG-Mrosko 7 pass from Simms (Bahr kick), 13:44

THIRD QUARTER
Dal-Smith 4 run (Willis kick), 7:59

FOURTH QUARTER
NYG-Hampton 27 pass from Simms (Bahr kick), :38
NYG-Hostetler 12 run (Bahr kick), 9:40
Dal-Novacek 7 pass from Aikman (Willis kick), 13:02

Att-75,923

	Dal	NYG
First downs	20	21
Rshs-yrds	20--51	33--136
Passng yrds	233	198
Sckd-yrds lst	0--0	2--14
3rd dwn eff.	3--8--38	2--9--022
4th dwn eff.	0--0--0	2--2--100
Passes	21--26--1	18--24--0
Punts	3--28.3	2--43.0
Pnt rtrns-yds	2--5	0--0
KO rtrns-yds	6--102	3--68
Fumbles-lst	1--1	0--0
Penlts-yrds	4--20	2--19
Tm of pssssn	24:22	35:38

Denver	7	7	7	7--28
Buffalo	0	3	6	20--29

FIRST QUARTER
Den-Humphrey 1 run (Treadwell kick), 6:50

SECOND QUARTER
Den-Sewell 2 run (Treadwell kick), 13:03
Buf-FG Norwood 37, 14:54

THIRD QUARTER
Buf-D.Smith 12 run (kick failed), 7:07
Den-Winder 3 run (Treadwell kick), 10:17

FOURTH QUARTER
Buf-Bennett 80 blocked FG return (Norwood kick), 4:33
Buf-L.Smith 39 interception return (kick failed), 5:33
Buf-Davis 2 run (Norwood kick), 5:50
Den-Nattiel 10 pass from Elway (Treadwell kick), 13:35

A-74,393

	Den	Buf
Frst dwns	28	15
Rshs-yrds	46-208	24-64
Pssng yrds	202	133
Sckd-yrds lst	2--19	4--34
3rd dwn eff.	5--12--42.0	6--15--40.0
4th dwn eff.	1--1--100.0	0--0--00.0
Psss	15--28--2	18--34--1
Punts	3--37.3	4--35.0
Pnt rtrns-yds	1--16	1--3
KO rtrns-yds	5--73	4--111
Fmbls-lst	3--3	3--2
Pnlts-yrds	8-60	4--33
Tm of psssn	34:49	25:11

Tampa Bay	7	0	3	7	3--23
Minnesota	0	3	0	14	0--20

FIRST QUARTER
TB-Anderson 2 run (Christie kick), 7:48

SECOND QUARTER
Min-FG Igwebuike 28, 9:05
TB-FG Christie 39, 12:53

THIRD QUARTER
TB-FG Christie 22, 8:35

FOURTH QUARTER
Min-A. Carter 7 pass from Gannon (Igwebuike kick), 10:35
Min-Jones 41 pass from Gannon (Igwebuike kick), 13:41
TB-B. Hill 11 pass from Testaverde (Christie kick), 14:36

OVERTIME
TB-FG Christie 36, 9:11

A-54,462

	TB	Min
First downs	15	24

Rshs-yrds	38--186	38--170
Passng yrds	162	253
Sckd-yrds lst	2--12	2--9
3rd dwn eff.	2--12--17	7--16--44
4th dwn eff.	1--1--100	0--0--0
Passes	11--19--0	19--37--2
Punts	6-39.2	6-41.2
Pnt rtrns-yds	1--16	0--0
KO rtrns-yrds	5--117	3--5
Fumbles-lst	1--1	0--0
Pnlts-yrds	10--66	4--40
Tm of pssssn	31:26	37:45

NY Jets	7	17	10	3--37
New England	3	3	0	7--13

FIRST QUARTER
NYJ-Baxter 1 run (Leahy kick), 9:31
NE-FG Staurovsky 46, 14:29

SECOND QUARTER
NYJ-Moore 69 pass from O'Brien (Leahy kick), 2:23
NE-FG Staurovsky 40, 9:12
NYJ-FG Leahy 24, 13:08
NYJ-McNeil 4 run (Leahy kick), 14:27

THIRD QUARTER
NYJ-Baxter 28 run (Leahy kick), 5:42
NYJ-FG Leahy 18, 13:24

FOURTH QUARTER
NE-Perryman 4 run (Staurovsky kick), :37
NYJ-FG Leahy 46, 9:28.

Att-36,724.

	NYJ	NE
Frst dwns	25	18
Rshs-yrds	42--224	17--89
Pssng yrds	282	184
Scks, yrds lst	1--7	2--15
3rd dwn eff.	7--13--54.0	6--13--46.0
4th dwn eff.	0--2--0.0	0--1--0.0
Psss	19--29--1	19--42--4
Punts	1--42.0	3--48.3
Pnt rtrns-yds	2--17	0--0
KO rtrns-yds	3--81	7--107
Fmbls-lst	1--1	1--0

Pnlts-yrds	11--75	4--36
Tm of psssn	35:48	24:12

Indianapolis	7	3	7	7	24
Philadelphia	3	14	3	3	23

FIRST QUARTER
Phil-FG Ruzek 22, 12:51
Ind-Hester 5 pass from Trudeau (Biasucci kick), 14:36

SECOND QUARTER
Phil-Keith Jackson 35 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick), 6:04
Phil-Barnett 21 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick), 11:54
Ind-FG Biasucci 41, 14:36

THIRD QUARTER
Phil-FG Ruzek 22, 10:18
Ind-Bentley 26 run (Biasucci kick), 11:24

FOURTH QUARTER
Phil-FG Brooks 31, 13:04
Ind-Brooks 6 pass from Trudeau (Biasucci kick), 14:59

A-62,067

	Ind	Phil
Frst dwns	17	21
Rshs-yrds	14--52	37--149
Pssng yrds	305	260
Sckd-yrds lst	3--24	2--14
3rd dwn eff.	4--13--31.0	7--15--47.0
4th dwn eff.	1--1--100	1--1--100
Psss	19--40--1	22--34--0
Punts	5--44.0	3--38.0
Pnt rtrns-yds	2--6	2--19
KO rtrns-yds	6--126	3--47
Fmbls-lst	5--1	3--1
Pnlts-yrds	6--49	5--50
Tm of psssn	21:05	38:55

Miami	7	14	0	7--28
Pitt	0	3	3	0-- 6

FIRST QUARTER
Mia-Smith 1 run (Stoyanovich kick), 9:37

SECOND QUARTER
Mia-Smith 7 run (Stoyanovich kick), 3:00

Mia-Clayton 35 pass from Marino (Stoyanovich kick), 13:00
Pitt-FG Anderson 46, 14:55

THIRD QUARTER
Pitt-FG Anderson 35, 6:25

FOURTH QUARTER
Mia-Paige 1 run (Stoyanovich kick), 6:39

A-54,691

	Mia	Pitt
Frst dwns	20	8
Rshs-yrds	42--122	14--41
Pssng yrds	202	119
Sckd-yrds lst	1--4	5--33
3rd dwn eff.	8--17--47.0	2--11--18.0
4th dwn eff.	3--3--100.0	0--1--00.0
Psss	18--29--1	12--25--3
Punts	5--33.8	5--40.6
Pnt rtrns-yds	1--1	2--18
KO rtrns-yds	2--34	4--85
Fmbls-lst	1--0	1--0
Pnlts-yrds	5--40	5--50
Tm of psssn	39:46	20:14

NY Jets	7	17	10	3--37
New England	3	3	0	7--13

FIRST QUARTER
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NE-FG Staurovsky 46, 14:29

SECOND QUARTER
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FOURTH QUARTER
NE-Perryman 4 run (Staurovsky kick), :37
NYJ-FG Leahy 46, 9:28.

Att-36,724.

	NYJ	NE
Frst dwns	25	18
Rshs-yrds	42--224	17--89
Pssng yrds	282	184
Scks, yrds lst	1--7	2--15
3rd dwn eff.	7--13--54.0	6--13--46.0
4th dwn eff.	0--2--0.0	0--1--0.0
Psss	19--29--1	19--42--4
Punts	1--42.0	3--48.3
Pnt rtrns-yds	2--17	0--0
KO rtrns-yds	3--81	7--107
Fmbls-lst	1--1	1--0
Pnlts-yrds	11--75	4--36
Tm of pssssn	35:48	24:12

Green Bay	0	10	0	14--24
Detroit	7	7	7	0--21

FIRST QUARTER
Det-Clark 4 pass from Peete (Murray kick), 4:04

SECOND QUARTER
GB-FG Jacke 34, 2:11
GB-West 3 pass from Majkowski (Jacke kick), 4:56
Det-Sanders 3 run (Murray kick), 13:52

THIRD QUARTER
Det-Peete 7 run (Murray kick), 3:51

FOURTH QUARTER
GB-Haddix 4 pass from Majkowski (Jacke kick), 3:59
GB-Query 26 pass from Majkowski (Jacke kick), 14:05

A-64,509

	GB	Det
Frst dwns	24	21
Rshs-yrds	21--143	26--144
Pssng yrds	269	194
Sckd-yrds lst	4--20	1--6
3rd dwn eff.	6--12--50.0	5--13--38.0
4th dwn eff.	0--0--00.0	0--0--00.0
Psss	28--46--0	17--34--0
Punts	3--38.0	4--41.8
Pnt rtrns-yds	2--25	3--23
KO rtrns-yds	4--48	5--132
Fmbls-lst	2--2	0--0

Pnlts-yrds	10--60	7--93
Tm of psssn	30:40	29:20

Houston	07	07	00	03--17
San Diego	00	07	00	00--07

FIRST QUARTER
Hou - Hill 9 pass from Moon (Zendejas kick), 5:21

SECOND QUARTER
San Diego - Miller 27 pass from Tolliver (Reveiz kick), 1:46
Hou- Givins 22 pass from Moon (Zendejas kick), :29

FOURTH QUARTER
Hou- FG 34 Zendejas, 6:54

A-48,762

	Hou	SD
Frst dwns	29	14
Rshs-yrds	21--192	21--131
Pssng yrds	329	167
Sckd-yrds lst	3--26	1--7
3rd dwn eff.	7--12--58.0	3--09--33.0
4th dwn eff.	0--0--00.0	0--0--00.0
Psss	27--46--1	14--25--2
Punts	1--36.0	2--32.5
Pnt rtrns-yds	0--00	0--00
KO rtrns-yds	2--32	4--71
Fmbls-lst	0--0	0--0
Pnlts-yrds	6--58	8--56
Tm of psssn	34:07	25:53

Chicago	7	3	0	0--10
LA Raiders	10	7	0	7--24

FIRST QUARTER
RAI-Allen 1 run (Jaeger kick), 8:59
CHI-Gentry 80 pass from Harbaugh (Butler kick), 9:17
RAI-FG Jaeger 27, 12:33

SECOND QUARTER
RAI-Townsend 1 fumble return (Jaeger kick), 4:53
CHI-FG Butler 22, 10:35

FOURTH QUARTER
RAI-Allen 3 run (Jaeger kick), 5:49

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First downs	11	18
Rshs-yrds	20--101	36--156
Pssng yrds	128	170
Sckd-yrds lst	1--8	6--66
3rd dwn eff.	1--11--9.0	3--8--38.0
4th dwn eff.	0--0--0.0	0--0--0.0
Passes	10--21--0	8--15--0
Punts	8--35.6	3--34.7
Pnt rtrns-yds	1--0	3--34
KO rtrns-yds	1--30	3--49
Fumbls-lst	2--1	4--2
Pnlts-yrds	6--49	1--10
Tm of pssssn	27:03	32:57

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(OCT. 1) UPI - The first 874 of some four-thousand French troops arrived in the Persian Gulf region Sunday. After nine days at sea, the first arrivals disembarked at the Red Sea port of Yanbu, on their way to a point near the Iraqi border with Kuwait. They're joining the multi-national force blocking further Iraqi aggression. Earlier Sunday, Iraq's president said he's willing to consider a French-sponsored peace plan.

Congressional leaders on both sides of the aisle say it's NOT going to be easy to get Sunday's budget agreement approved in Congress. House Speaker Thomas Foley says it WON'T be simple, and Senate G-O-P leader Robert Dole says ''some people are already saying they will vote against it.'' The pact agreed upon by President Bush and congressional negotiators would cut the federal deficit by 500-BILLION dollars in five years.

U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar says poverty ''is the main enemy of children,'' and world leaders Sunday pledged to try to solve the problem. A statement issued by more than 70 leaders at the summit promised to launch a ''global attack on poverty.'' They also pledged to reduce child and infant mortality. 40-thousand children die each day from causes that could be prevented.

A bomb exploded at a U-S paint company warehouse in the Philippines, where it's now Monday, ripping away the ceiling and shattering glass panels. Police say there were NO injuries in the blast in a Manila suburb. NO one claimed responsibility. It's the sixth bombing against an American company in the past week. Most of the more than 30 bombings since August 13th have been blamed on rebel soldiers.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - The Boston Herald says New England Patriots owner Victor Kiam personally apologized to Herald reporter Lisa Olson on Sunday. Olson earlier complained that she was sexually harassed on September 17th by Patriots players in the team locker room. Kiam at first dismissed the incident, but later criticized team officials for giving him wrong information. He said Sunday that it ''is a grievous injury to a lovely young lady.''

Nobel Prize-winning novelist Patrick White died Sunday at his home in Sydney, Australia. He was 78. White was Australia's most celebrated author, and in 1973 became the first Australian to win the Nobel Prize for Literature. His first novel, ''Happy Valley,'' was published in 1939 and won the Australian Literature Society'S Gold Medal. Other works included ''Tree of Man'' and ''Eye of the Storm.''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - President Bush and Capitol Hill leaders now must sell Congress on a radical five-year, $500 billion cut in the federal deficit that averted massive layoffs and shutdowns in the federal government.

After four months of intense negotiations, the administration and the top congressional leaders announced Sunday that agreement had been reached on the largest cut in the deficit in the nation's history.

Under terms of the agreement, Congress has to approve the budget with no changes by Friday.

Bush said he will sign no extension if Congress fails to act by the end of the week, keeping the threat of a government shutdown in effect for next Monday.

''Now comes the hard part,'' Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell said. ''This agreement is a compromise. Both sides can accurately say the agreement includes provisions they don't like.''

And House Speaker Thomas Foley of Washington added, ''It's not going to be easy or simple to obtain the votes necessary ..., the majority of both parties ... that will have to be found to enact this package.''

Senate Republican leader Robert Dole said, ''some people are already saying they will vote against it. ... The easiest course is to find something and vote against it all.''

The agreement, which cuts the deficit by $40 billion in the first year, will hit virtually every American.

Federal taxes on gasoline, beer, wine and alcohol will go up; medicare costs for the elderly will increase; farm programs will be slashed; civil servants will not be able to take retirement pay in lump sums; luxury taxes on cars, boats, jewelry and furs will climb; student loans will be reduced; veterans programs will be cut. Even the jobless will have to wait a second week before they can get unemployment insurance.

Bush, who flew back from New York City to put his seal on the agreement, said, ''It is balanced; it is fair; and in my view it is what the United States of America needs at this point.''

The pact would cut $119 billion in entitlement and mandatory spending and $182 billion in discretionary government spending, with defense accounting to the largest share, $67 billion in the first three years.

The agreement also would raise $134 billion in new tax revenues, mostly from a phased-in 10 cent-a-gallon increase in the tax on gasoline. Another $64 billion is the elimination of interest that would have been paid if the reductions were not made.

White House budget director Richard Darman said Medicare would account for the largest single cut in discretionary spending, a total of $60 billion coming from increases in deductibles for beneficiaries and premium levels.

At the same time, Darman noted that some $2 billion had been set aside to help elderly people living at about the poverty level pay the premiums.

Otherwise, agriculture programs were slated for $13 billion in cuts; repeal of the civil service retirement fund lump sum payment would account for $8.1 billion; the Postal Service would cut $4.2 billion; implementing reforms in the student loans programs would save $2 billion, and delaying unemployment payments an additional $4.6 billion, Darman said.

Darman also revealed that the government had raised its estimate of the budget deficit for fiscal 1991, boosting it to $293.7 billion, including the costs of the savings and loan bailout, from the $231.4 billion projected on July 15.

The revision, made because of a ''softer economy'' and to large extent because of the enormously expensive thrift bailout, greatly complicated the negotiators' efforts, Darman said.

Had no agreement been reached, widespread cuts would have gone into effect at midnight, designed to force the government's deficit down to the Gramm-Rudman target of $64 billion.

On the contentious revenue front, Darman said the new package included a 10 percent excise tax on luxury items such as cars, boats, jewelry and furs; a 4

cent-a-pack jump on cigarette taxes, followed by another 4 percent in 1993, a $1.20 per gallon increase in the price of hard liquor, a doubling to 32 cents for a six-pack of beerrand increase for wine up to 24 cents.

It also would limit itemized deductions for taxpayers earning more than $100,000, with a minimum floor of 3 percent on any amount earned over that.

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 1) UPI - The global landscape President Bush surveys Monday before the U.N. General Assembly is far different from the political order he and other world leaders faced just a year ago.

On the eve of German unification, which in less than a year has done more than any single event to change the face of Europe, Bush had ample evidence to support his recent declarations of ''a new world order.''

And even against a background of war drums in the Persian Gulf, he was expected to hail a resurgent United Nations in his speech to the General Assembly, living up at last to the expectations of its founders 45 years ago.

''We've seen a century sundered by barbed threats and barbed wire give way to a new era of peace nd freedom,'' Bush said in an excerpt released by the White House.

When Iraq attacked Kuwait, he said, ''the world was ready'' to respond through the United Nations.

His appearance, after weeks of unprecedented U.N. pressure on Iraq, coincides with growing concern that force ultimately may be the only way to force Saddam out of Kuwait and capped three days of whirlwind diplomacy that ended with a final flurry of meetings with foreign leaders.

One of them, a session with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, was expected to produce signs of progress toward an East- West accord on dramatic military force cuts in Europe.

Years in the making and sped by the collapse of the Warsaw Pact, agreement between Washington and Moscow on force levels and verification procedures would set the stage for an all-European summit in Paris in November.

In a succession of meetings with foreign leaders, no fewer than 13 of whom paraded through his 35th-floor Waldorf-Astoria suite over the weekend, each staying for no more than 45 minutes, Bush he has underscored the breadth of opposition arrayed against Iraq.

Bush, for example, congratulated Brazilian President Fernando Collor de Mello

for complying with the sanctions against Iraq, even though Brazil will suffer from a loss of trade. Thirty minutes later, Collor's place was taken by Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez, whom he thanked for leading a push for other oil-producing countries to pick up the production slack created by the loss of Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports from the world oil market.

Criticized for years as a bloated bureaucracy where political and economic rivalries too often thwarted attempts at concerted action, the United Nations has played an unusually forceful hand - at U.S. direction - in opposing the invasion of Kuwait.

Bush, a former ambassador to the United Nations and devout multilateralist, consensus-builder at home as well abroad, has always had respect for the world body's stature and intent, if not total admiration for its performance.

''Politically, the U.N. is and always will be a reflection of, rather than a solution to, the tensions that exist in the world,'' he wrote in his 1988 autobiography. ''Clearly, the United Nations has much to be said for it, ''but it still has a long way to go before it can ever ''

More recently, the passage of eight U.N. Security Council resolutions seeking to ensure Iraq pays a high price for aggression have caused Bush to proclaim ''a new partnership of nations'' and a United Nations that ''can at last begin to function in the way envisioned by its founders.''

Established in 1945 ''to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war '' the United Nations has burnished its record of late with successful mediation in the Afghan and Cambodian civil wars and with its incremental steps against Saddam.

Though Bush has welcomed this rare near-unaniminity of opinion as ''heartening '' his advisers agree the United Nations soon may face a far more serious test of its power and resolve in the event he feels compelled to seek a U.N.-sanctioned use of force against Iraq.

Article 42 of the U.N. Charter provides for military action when other measures prove ''to be inadequate.'' Shevardnadze said in a weekend interview with NBC News that the Soviet Union would, for the first time, join such a force if called upon by the United Nations to do so.

For the moment, Bush and his advisers are holding back from any formal request for military operations under the U.N. flag. One concern is that the prospect of war in the Persian Gulf could endanger the formidable if still fragile body of world opinion Bush has brought to bear against Saddam.

The official U.S. position, stated from the earliest days of the crisis, continues to be that it will take time - months, perhaps, rather than weeks -

before the prospect of economic strangulation will cause Saddam to relent. In recent days, however, patience has begun to wear thin, eroded in part by reports of what national security adviser Brent Scowcroft ominously described last week as ''the pillaging and systematic destruction'' of Kuwait by Iraq.

That, he acknowledged, could well accelerate Bush's timetable for deciding when sanctions have had their chance.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - An abortion pill developed in France was ''well-liked'' and produced virtually no excessive side effects in women taking part in a small U.S. study, a researcher reported.

The results of tests on 16 American women at the University of Southern California Medical School in Los Angeles are consistent with larger studies conducted in France and elsewhere on the drug, known as RU 486.

''These results, from yet another continent, clearly support the existing evidence that RU 486 is safe, effective and well-liked,'' said Dr. David Grimes, the only U.S. researcher to test the drug.

RU 486 has been shown to be safe and highly effective for aborting early pregnancies and has been made available in France and China and is expected to become available in Britain in 1991.

The drug has not been made available to American women or U.S. researchers outside Grime's team, and is not expected to be available anytime soon, due in part to opposition from anti-abortionists.

The drug, also known as Mifepristone and Mifgyne, works by blocking a hormone known as progesterone, which is needed to maintain a fertilized egg in the womb, essentially triggering a miscarriage.

In the new study, to be presented Monday at an American Public Health Association meeting in New York, Grimes used the last of a supply of the drug obtained by the Population Council in New York from the maker, Roussel UCLAF of Paris.

The study, aimed primarily at examining the drug's side effects and acceptability to women, involved women who suspected they might be pregnant because they had missed their periods.

Within 10 days of missing their periods, half the women took RU 486 while the other half were given Tylenol without knowing what they were receiving. The study is the first to compare the drug to a dummy pill.

Four women in each group turned out to be pregnant. RU 486 successfully aborted the pregnancy of three out of four of the pregnant women who took it - an effectiveness comparable to previous studies.

Three of the four pregnant women who took Tylenol and the fourth pregnant woman who took RU 486 underwent standard abortions. The fourth pregnant woman who took Tylenol had a miscarriage. The rest turned out not to be pregnant.

There were no medical complications and most of the women returned immediately to their usual activities, Grimes said.

Surprisingly, the women who took RU 486 were no more likely to experience cramps, heavy bleeding, nausea, vomiting or any other side effects than those who took Tylenol, Grimes said.

''RU 486 is really innocuous,'' Grimes said. ''It turns out the drug is about as noxious as a couple of Tylenol.''

All the women who took the drug said they liked it and would take it again under similar circumstances, he said.

Those women who previously had a standard abortion said they preferred RU 486 because the drug was ''more convenient and less traumatic'' or ''less painful and easier on my body,'' he said.

The women also said they liked the drug's effectiveness, ease, the fact that they avoided the use of surgical instruments and gave them privacy, he said.

In addition, most women said they would recommend the drug to a friend who asked them, he said.

''Overall, they were very enthusiastic about it,'' said Grimes, a professor of obstetrics and gynecology and preventive medicine.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 1) UPI - With the decommissioning of the USS Blueback, the United States would have the world's first submarine fleet completely powered by nuclear energy.

The Blueback (SS-581), the last remaining U.S. Navy sub to run on conventional power, was to be decommissioned Monday with great ceremony and much affection at the San Diego Naval Station.

With the departure of the Blueback, a venerable boat that impersonated a Soviet sub in the film ''The Hunt for Red October,'' the Navy will realize the cherished dream of Admiral Hyman G. Rickover: an all-nuclear-powered submarine

fleet.

The Blueback's demise will close the age of conventional U.S. underwater warfare, an era that started in the Revolutionary War when a small colonial U-boat sank a British ship.

Monday's decommissioning of the Blueback, however, will not end the debate over America's decision to switch to nuclear propulsion.

Submarines powered by diesel engines on the surface and electric motors underwater, like the Blueback, still rule the oceans. The rest of the world's 44 navies - including the Soviet and British - use some or all diesel-electric-powered subs, 400 in all, and continue to build them.

The newest diesel-electric submarines are considered superior to nuclear submarines in some important respects - notably, cost and silence. While they are slower than nuclear subs and cannot stay submerged as long, diesel subs sometimes are preferred in close-range situations.

''The irony is that a non-nuclear submarine, when it's operating on its batteries, is quieter than a nuclear submarine,'' said Norman Polmar, one of the world's leading experts on submarines.

''Diesel subs are smaller, much cheaper and require many fewer people. They are considered very cost-effective for a large number of missions, such as operating in restricted areas like the Mediterranean and the Far East,'' said Polmar, an editor of ''Jane's Fighting Ships'' and author of ''The American Submarine.''

But Rickover, the father of the nuclear Navy, doggedly steered the nation toward the exclusive use of nuclear subs, starting in the early 1950s.

''He destroyed anyone or any effort to build non-nuclear submarines,'' Polmar said.

Obvious safety concerns over nuclear power led Rickover to institute a strict safety program aboard the nuclear subs. That effort has paid off with what seems to be an unblemished record, with one possible slip- up: an alleged 1973 leak of reactor coolant from the USS Guardfish, reported by Greenpeace and the Institute for Policy Studies in 1988, but subsequently denied by the Pentagon.

Still, a nuclear sub's ability to travel at speeds up to 40 knots and remain submerged for more than 10,000 miles has won over most of the U.S. military community.

''Nuclear technology is the proven wave of the future,'' said Mike McDaniel, executive director of the American Defense Institute in Washington, D.C. ''To Rickover's credit, the Navy's nuclear submarine program is one of the most

effective and one of the safest in the world today.''

Still, the end of the diesel era has put a lump in the throat of many a sailor in Rickover's Navy.

''A lot of people on active duty in the Navy today started their careers on diesel submarines, so there's a feeling of nostalgia about this decommissioning,'' retired Capt. Robert Gautier said.

Gautier was the Blueback's first skipper. He picked up the brand-new submarine in 1959 from a shipyard in Pascagoula, Miss. On Monday, he was to join the boat's present skipper, Lt. Cmdr. Thomas Grassi, and 10 other former commanding officers to bid the Blueback farewell.

''The diesel submarines have done a very fine job,'' Gautier said, ''but the time has come to move from one era to another.''

Grassi said the current crew has prepared for this leave-taking for years.

''A lot of people got transferred to the Blueback just to be on the last diesel sub. And a lot of the personnel already on board extended their service to be here. That's a very gratifying thing for a commanding officer,'' Grassi said.

Some of the crew will retire, others will transfer to surface ships and still others will enter the nuclear age aboard one of the Navy's 96 attack submarines.

The larger crews on nuclear subs are not likely to have the same esprit de corps as the Blueback's men, but Grassi says there will be offsetting advantages.

''Nuclear subs are nicer inside. You get more space in your bunk and some of the nukes have music piped in through earphones,'' he said.

Grassi will be one of only two Navy officials still involved in diesel submarine operations as instructors at an international training facility in Norfolk, Va.

The Blueback will be mothballed in Bremerton, Wash. The Navy has decided the last of the diesel subs will never be sold, but the Blueback's future is otherwise up in the air.

''I've heard rumors that some cities are trying to get the Blueback as a monument or a tour ship,'' Grassi said.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - The American League East race now depends on what happens on the first weekend of the season.

Toronto beat Boston 10-5 Sunday, pulling within one game of the lead on what would have been the season's last day. Instead, the lockout left each club facing three games - games originally scheduled for the first full weekend in April.

''There's no relief,'' Boston outfielder Tom Brunansky said. ''Now there's three more emotionally packed games. We're not going to guess that we'll get help from Baltimore.''

Toronto faces the Orioles in Baltimore on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Boston plays in Fenway against the White Sox the same days.

Those three games might have meant nothing if Toronto had handled the Red Sox head to head in 13 regular-season games. But Boston won 10 of their meetings.

''If we lose, maybe we can say we lost because we didn't beat them,'' said winning pitcher Jimmy Key, 13-7.

Boston even took the weekend series, two games to one, which accounts for its one-game lead.

''They won the big games and deserve to win,'' Toronto's Kelly Gruber said. ''For us to win at this point would almost take a fluke.''

If the clubs are tied at the end of the regular season, they would meet Thursday in Toronto for a one-game playoff. Boston team physician Dr. Arthur Pappas said ace right-hander Roger Clemens would be available to pitch that game.

''Now it's ours to win,'' Brunansky said. ''If we can take care of the White Sox, it's ours. If we don't they (the Blue Jays) are still going to have to win (games).''

Two weeks ago, the White Sox swept Boston in a four-game series while Toronto was winning three of four against the Orioles.

The Blue Jays had lost all six previous games at Fenway Park this season. This time they battered five Boston pitchers, hitting 17 singles. But they struggled to capitalize, stranding 13 runners, including 11 in the first five innings.

''The guys came in pretty loose today,'' said Toronto Manager Cito Gaston. ''I don't think they got down,'' about losing the series' first two games. ''I don't think you can get down and play like we did today.''

Fred McGriff collected four hits and three RBI to help the Blue Jays end a four-game losing streak.

''It was a win and they don't have to be pretty,'' McGriff said, saying that his team shouldn't blame a division loss on the weekend's results. ''We gave away a lot of games this season. We can't say this series cost us the season.''

In other American League games, Chicago nipped Seattle 2-1, New York rapped Milwaukee 7-2, Detroit shaded Minnesota 1-0, Oakland defeated Texas 4-3 and Kansas City downed California 2-1. Baltimore and Cleveland split a double-header, the Orioles winning 6-3 and the Indians answering 7-3.

In the National League, it was: Chicago 6, New York 5; Philadelphia 2, Montreal 1; Pittsburgh 2, St. Louis 0; San Diego 3, Cincinnati 0; Houston 6, Atlanta 2; and San Francisco 8, Los Angeles 2.

-- AROUND THE AL --

White Sox 2, Mariners 1

At Chicago, Dan Pasqua capped a two-run sixth with a bad-hop RBI triple and Bobby Thigpen earned his 57th save to help the White Sox win the final game in Comiskey Park. Thigpen entered in the ninth and retired Harold Reynolds on a grounder to second for the final out in Comiskey Park history.

Yankees 7, Brewers 2

At Milwaukee, Don Mattingly and Jesse Barfield drove in three runs apiece to pace New York. Dave Eiland, 2-1, allowed two runs on six hits over five innings. Greg Cadaret pitched four perfect innings for his third save. Reliever Tom Edens, 4-5, took the loss.

Tigers 1, Twins 0

At Detroit, Walt Terrell and Jerry Don Gleaton combined on a five- hitter, leading the Tigers. Detroit first baseman Cecil Fielder, needing one homer to become the first major leaguer to hit 50 homers in a season since Cincinnati's George Foster hit 52 in 1977, had a single in four trips to the plate.

A's 4, Rangers 3

At Arlington, Texas, Terry Steinbach's ground-rule double keyed a three-run eighth, boosting Oakland. The Athletics broke the majors' single-season record for road attendance. In his final appearance of the season, Nolan Ryan, 13-9, struck out 11 to raise his career record total to 5,308.

Royals 2, Angels 1

At Anaheim, Calif., Bo Jackson delivered a pinch-hit home run to open the ninth, lifting Kansas City. Jackson stroked a 3-1 pitch over the right-field wall for just the third hit off loser Scott Lewis, 1-1. Kevin Appier, 12-8, scattered nine hits over the first eight innings to snap his four-game slide.

Orioles 6, Indians 3
Indians 7, Orioles 3

At Cleveland, Candy Maldonado drove in three runs with a homer and pair of singles to help the Indians end a four-game slide. In the first game, Bob Milacki pitched seven shutout innings, notching his first victory since June 30. Rookie Charles Nagy, 2-4, won the second game, with Doug Jones getting four outs for his 42nd save.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - There was little interest in Hungary's municipal elections yesterday. So few voters showed up that the election results in some areas may NOT stand. A 40 percent turnout is required for an election to be valid in Hungary and the average turnout was 37 percent. One politician says Hungarians are fed up with politics.

Thousands of Filipino workers are staging a general strike at U-S military bases in the Philippines today. They barricaded gates at the bases saying U-S officials failed to implement a promised 18 percent wage hike. American officials say a U-S law requires a lower pay increase.

Keeping a pledge to crack down on rowdy fans, Los Angeles police arrested nearly three dozen people at yesterday's Raiders' football game. 12 of the 34 arrests were for battery and 11 were for public drunkenness. The police promised to get tough after last week's game when a fan cheering for the visiting Pittsburgh Steelers was beaten unconscious.

The U-S-S Blueback, the last conventional submarine in the U-S Navy, is to be decommissioned tonight at San Diego. Its retirement will give the United States the world's first all-nuclear power submarine fleet. The Blueback was used as a Soviet sub in the film ''The Hunt for Red October.''

A Goodyear blimp made an emergency landing in Carson, California, yesterday after a model airplane ripped a hole in its side. NONE of the seven people on board was hurt. Police said two men flying model planes in a hotel parking lot were heard joking they were buzzing the blimp. One suspect was arrested.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - The first fall storm of the season barreled into the Northwest bringing high winds, heavy rains and snow in the mountains Monday while cold damp weather chilled the Northeast.

Thick fog blanketed West Virginia, Kentucky and southeasthern Ohio cutting visibility to less than 200 yards in some areas. Cool temperatures combined with lingering moisture from earlier showers led to the fog.

Washington state was hit by a fall storm that moved in off the Vancouver Island coast during the night carrying winds reaching 35 mph as it chugged eastward across the state.

Wind picked up in eastern Washington as the day progressed, blowing dust and sand. Cold air that followed the front dropped the snow level down to 5,000 feet in the Cascade Mountains, the National Weather Service said.

To the south, dense fog hung on the Southern California coast Monday but the rest of the region had clear skies while thunderstorms eased in the eastern desert areas.

Cool temperatures covered the Northeast and Midwest as the thermometer dropped to 45 degrees under clear skies in Buffalo, N.Y. and 43 degrees in Cleveland where it was partly cloudy.

Mostly clear skies covered the South but some scattered showers were reported in Alabama, Tennessee and Georgia. Nearly half an inch of rain fell on Augusta Ga. and Columbus, Ga. received a little less for the most rainfall in the region Sunday. The hottest recorded spot was McComb, Miss. with 92.

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MANILA (OCT. 1) UPI - A pre-dawn explosion ripped through a U.S. paint company Monday, tearing off ceilings and shattering glass panels but causing no injuries, police said.

In response to continued bombings and the situation in the Persian Gulf, the Manila stock exchange fell to a 3 1/2-year low Monday, dropping more than 2 percent in value.

The blast at the Fuller O'Brien Paint Co., Inc. in suburban Mandaluyong town was the sixth bomb attack on an American company. Earlier hit were U.S. soft drink firms, drug laboratories and a bank.

No one had claimed immediate responsibility for the incident, but police blamed rebel soldiers for similar bombings over the past two months in the capital and nearby towns.

The composite price index for 25 selected stocks on the Manila exchange fell to a record 3 1/2-year low Monday at 535.5, down 11.05 or 2.05 percent from the previous close.

The index was lowest since it registered 507.7 on April 8, 1987.

Analysts said the slump reflected investor concern over continued bombings in Manila and fears of an outbreak of war in the gulf.

A security guard at the paint company said the bomb apparently was thrown from the outside. The blast damaged the ceiling and roof of a warehouse and smashed glass panels. No injury was reported.

Florencio Gaudines, the company's marketing manager, said American and multinational firms in the capital had been warned about bomb attacks.

''This is part of the destabilization campaign,'' said Gaudines. ''Those who are doing this don't want investors and foreigners.''

Also on Monday, President Corazon Aquino said her government was pursuing peace initiatives with the communist New Peoples Army, despite the rebel's announcement last week they will resume hostilities in areas where she had declared a limited cease-fire on Sept. 12.

However, Aquino said in a statement the process ''must be taken step by cautious step if specific and concrete gains are to be accomplished.''

Aquino's directive for the cessation of hostilities covered Manila and several provinces hit by the July 16 earthquake.

Defense and security officials have proposed holding peace dialogues on the village level in a bid to isolate leaders of the 19,000-member NPA, which has been battlng the government for 21 years.

However, Aquino has refused to hold talks with rebel soldiers who have tried six times to oust her.

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JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 1) UPI - Two miners were killed and four injured in a collapse at the Harmony gold mine in South Africa's central goldfields region, Harmony said in a statement Monday.

The accident occurred Sunday in the No. 1 shaft of the mine, near the town of Virginia, some 185 miles southwest of Johannesburg, Harmony said.

The six casualties were members of a maintenance crew which was servicing air

and water service columns, it said. No details on the nature of the ''fall of ground'' were disclosed.

South Africa's last mining deaths were on Sept. 27, when an earthquake jolted the President Brand mine, also in the central goldfields, and killed two miners.

In the most serious mining disaster of the year, an explosion in a gold shaft of the Vaal Reefs mine, about 125 miles southwest of Johannesburg, killed 19 miners and injured 22.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 1) UPI - The deputy foreign ministers of the three communist Indochinese countries concluded talks in Phnom Penh with a call to reconvene the international conference on Cambodia, the official SPK news agency reported Monday.

The agency said the three deputy foreign ministers - Sok An of Cambodia, Tran Quang Co of Vietnam and Soulivong Prasideth of Laos - ended two days of talks Saturday.

''The three sides exchanged views and agreed upon ways to accelerate the process of a political solution to the Cambodian problem on the basis of guaranteeing independence, sovereignty and peace for Cambodia,'' the agency said.

It said the three officials called for the reconvening of the 19- nation Paris international conference on Cambodia as proposed by the U.N. Security Council.

The Cambodian resistance earlier made a similar plea for the reconvening of the meeting that adjourned last August without agreement.

Since then, however, both sides have accepted in principle a U.N. Security Council framework for a political settlement.

Vietnam and China, the main backers of the opposing sides in Cambodia, have held high-level meetings to narrow their differences over Cambodia.

Distrust among the four Cambodian groups, however, has stalled operation of the ''Supreme National Council'' that is supposed to serve as a joint symbol of national sovereignty while a U.N. interim authority arranges a ceasefire and national elections.

Diplomats in Bangkok, where three days of talks on the council failed last month, said the international conference may be needed to get the peace process back on track.

Earlier Phnom Penh radio quoted Defense Minister Gen. Tie Banh as saying the resistance has intensified its attacks since the collapse of the council meeting.

He said the main forcus of the attacks was in Battambang and Banteay Meanchey provinces near the border with Thailand and in Kompong Thom province north of Phnom Penh.

But he said the resistance was making little progress because Phnom Penh government forces were getting stronger.

Tie Banh said refugees who had fled insecure areas ''are now gradually returning to their original localities because security has now been ensured.''

Western aid agencies had estimated that more than 100,000 people had been moved to the camps.

Vietnam invaded Cambodia in 1978, unseating the China-backed Khmer Rouge government. In 1982 two non-communist groups joined the Khmer Rouge in a coalition to fight the government installed by the Vietnamese.

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CARSON, CA (OCT. 1) UPI - The pilot of the Goodyear blimp Columbia never saw the attacker that ripped a hole in his aircraft's skin - a radio- controlled model airplane.

Nick Nicolary was at the controls of the 192-foot blimp Sunday when the big airship started losing helium.

''I was making a normal approach and I felt a shudder on the rudder pedals,'' Nicolary said. ''The first hint we had a problem was when the ship began to get heavy, with the nose high and tail low. I knew I was losing helium but didn't know why.''

The reason was that a couple of pranksters were buzzing the blimp with their 4-foot-long radio-controlled model planes from a nearby parking lot. One of the planes hit the blimp, ripping a hole in its side and forcing the pilot to make an emergency landing with six passengers on board.

Late Sunday night, deputies said John William Moyer, 28, Redondo Beach, was booked on a charge of assault with intent to do great bodily harm and held on $5,000 bail. His 4-foot-wingspan Thunder Tiger remote- controlled plane was confiscated.

The deflating blimp landed safely and there were no injuries.

Witnesses told deputies two men were flying model planes from a Holiday Inn parking lot about a half-mile from the blimp's home airfield south of Los Angeles, and joking that they were buzzing the airship, sheriff's Lt. Paul Harman said.

Crew members at the Goodyear Airship Operations Center patched the 1-by-1-foot hole in the right side of the silvery blimp to prevent it from further deflating and causing structural damage, Harman said.

Nicolary said the blimp would be out of service for several days while a special machine sucked the gas out of the craft and replaced it with pure helium.

The blimp's skin is a dacron fabric impregnated with the rubber-like substance neoprene to seal in the helium that makes the ship lighter than air.

The National Transportation Safety Board and the Federal Aviation Administration were investigating the incident, Harman said.

Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. said it lost a few thousand dollars worth of helium from the blimp, which is operated as a public relations vehicle.

The Columbia, which began service in July 1986, is one of three blimps flying for Goodyear and was returning from Redondo Beach on its seventh passenger run of the day, Nicolary said.

Goodyear has flown blimps since 1925, and they and other lighter- than-air craft have become fixtures at such events as football games.

Nicolary, who has been flying blimps for 23 years, said he had never heard of one being brought down by such an incident. A deputy said he recalled someone firing a shot at a Goodyear blimp about 12 years ago, but it did not pierce the skin.

''The reason we have to patch it is unsettling,'' Nicolary said. ''Usually mother nature is the only person that gives us fits.''

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(OCT. 1) UPI - An intense debate is expected on Capitol Hill as Congress considers a five-year, 500-BILLION-dollar cut in the federal deficit. Lawmakers must approve the budget by Friday or face government shutdowns and massive layoffs the following Monday. The Bush administration and congressional leaders spent four months negotiating the package of tax increases and spending cuts.

Iraq is either backing down from its hard-line stance or trying to buy some time. Saddam Hussein says he'd like to meet immediately with French officials to discuss their peace plan, which calls for the complete withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait. The French-sponsored proposal also calls for free elections in the tiny oil emirate, arms reduction throughout the region and a solution to the Palestinian problem.

President Bush will talk about Iraq in a speech to the U-N General Assembly today in New York City. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says Bush will discuss how the U-N is- quoting now- ''pulling together to deal with the Persian Gulf problem.'' However, Fitzwater says the president will NOT be offering any new resolutions regarding Iraq and its invasion of Kuwait.

The U-N Summit for Children did more than announce lofty goals- it will also make the the Guinness Book of World Records. At least 37 presidents, 28 prime ministers and about one dozen ministers representing various governments attended the meeting on the plight of children. The numbers make the gathering the largest-ever assembly of world leaders in one place.

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#90274u0519 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 1) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed sharply lower for the fifth consecutive session Monday as panic-stricken individual investors continued to sell holdings.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selective issues, which plunged 788.41 points Friday, lost another 761.64 points - or 3.6 percent - to 20,221.86 - its lowest close since Feb. 25, 1987.

At one point late in the session, the closely watched Nikkei dropped nearly 1,200 points.

Only a promise from the Ministry of Finance to ease margin requirements saved the Nikkei from closing below the 20,000 line, analysts said.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, which dropped 49.31 points Friday, lost another 47.52 points to 1,523.43.

Volume amounted to a light 400 million shares, compared with 507 million shares changing hands Friday.

Declines overpowered advances 676 to 72, while 52 issues remained unchanged.

Analysts said the panic that gripped individual investors last week carried over into Monday's session.

Many investors were selling stocks at a loss to cover margin requirements,

market watchers added.

''They liquidated high-priced, high-quality stocks like Nintendo to cover their margins,'' said one local broker.

In the afternoon, word reached the market the Ministry of Finance intended to ease margin requirements and take other steps to prevent large institutions from engaging in massive selloffs.

At that time, the market sentiment reversed and investment trusts bought blue-chips and high-tech stocks.

In addition, arbitrage buying kicked in, helping the Nikkei to recover to its closing level.

But some brokers said the Finance Ministry's measures did not address the market's fundamental woes. Consequently, brokers predicted the upturn would be short-lived.

On the trading floor, among some of the stocks that benefited from the announcement were Matsushita Electric and Sony.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks closed higher in light trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as stocks rallied despite significant drop in Tokyo.

The Hang Seng Index, which eased 7.13 points Friday, climbed 30.44 points to 2,791.26.

Among the narrower indexes, industrials rose 13.45 points, financials climbed 22.37, utilities gained 49.87 and properties jumped 65.20 points.

Volume amounted to an estimated 463 million shares, compared with 609 million shares Friday.

Stocks moved higher from the opening bell amid some bargin hunting.

''I think the selling dried up on Friday,'' said Herman Lam of First Pacific Securities.

''Even though the Tokyo market was down sharply, it didn't seem to affect us '' Lam said.

In Bangkok, stocks closed higher in moderate trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index, which gained 11.41 points Friday, gained another 12.83 points to 654.39.

Volume amounted to 1.4 billion shares, compared with 1.5 billion shares Friday.

Analysts said prices eased early amid the selloff in Japan, but rebounded as investors saw the drop as an incentive to buy local shares.

In Singapore, stocks closed higher in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange as bargain hunters reacted to higher regional bourses.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 8.37 points Friday, gained 4.76 points to 1,103.44. The broader-based All Singapore Index rose 1.04 points to 308.40.

An estimated 31.3 million shares changed hands, compared with 41.9 million shares Friday.

Analysts said investors were reacting to news of the possibility of solving the Gulf situation without going to war.

Market watchers said speculation that Iraq's may attempt to seek French help to solve the Middle East crisis helped to boost confidence among investors.

On the trading floor, Keppel Corp. paced the advacing issues followed by Singapore Marine and Overseas Chinese Banking Corp. foreign shares.

ASEAN Fund (U.S.) led the declining issues followed by Singapore Fodder and Singapore Airlines.

In Manila, stocks fell to their lowest level in 3 1/2 years on the Manila Stock Exchange.

The Philippine Composite Price Index for 25 selected stocks on the Manila Exchange fell 11.05 points or 2 percent to 535.5 - its lowest close since April 8, 1987.

Analysts said the slump reflected investor concern over continued terrorist bombings in the capital and fears of an outbreak of war in the Persian Gulf.

In Australia, the Sydney Sharemarket was closed for the Labor Day holiday. Trading will resume Tuesday.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - President Bush addresses the U-N General Assembly today. Bush will focus on U-N history, especially the recent response to tensions in the Persian Gulf. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says there will be NO new resolutions on the crisis.

U-S officials say Americans should be cautious when they are overseas because of the possibility of pro-Iraqi terrorism. They say the danger is particularly high near U-S businesses and military bases in foreign countries. .

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has asked French officials for a meeting to discuss a French peace plan. It calls for Iraq to pull out of Kuwait and for elections to be scheduled in the emirate. France denies it has started any special contacts with Iraq.

Four months of negotiations by White House and congressional budget experts paid off. They agreed yesterday on a 500-BILLION-dollar package of spending cuts and tax increases. Now, they have to sell it to Congress which must act by Friday.

Divers have recovered six bodies of people killed in the crash Saturday of a World War Two airplane in a shallow lake at Lakeport, California. Authoritiesare searching for the seventh victim.

A judicial inquiry opens in Scotland today into the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie. 270 people were killed. Officials say one purpose of the inquiry is to find ways to avoid another such disaster.

Australian novelist Patrick White died at his home in Sydney yesterday at age 78. White won the 1973 Nobel prize for literature. His career as a novelist lasted for more than half a century.

China celebrated the 41st anniversary of communist rule yesterday with Premier Li Peng saying it had repaired relations with the West. A year ago, Li was warning the West against imposing economic sanctions.

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#90274u0543 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 1) UPI - France, as reports circulated that nine of its citizens held in Iraq would be freed, insisted Monday that Saddam Hussein's professed willingness to discuss a French Persian Gulf peace intitiative had not led to any special contacts with Baghdad.

A statement from the presidential Elysee Palace said the only exchanges taking place between Paris and Baghdad concerned ''purely routine'' matters that cannot ''appear to be a negotiation.''

Presidential spokesman Hubert Vedrine said the Iraqi statement Sunday ''was nothing new, even if it does testify to a change in tone.''

French radio, quoting the Iraqi News Agency, said Monday nine French citizens among the Western hostages being used as human shields around key installations in Iraq will be released.

The report said the nine would return to France with the president of the France-Iraq Friendship Association, now on a visit to Baghdad, but gave no other details.

The Iraqi government began holding citizens of Western countries near key military and other installations as a response to the U.S.-led military deployment that began in Saudi Arabia after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Sunday, Saddam said in a statement read on Iraqi television that he was interested in discussing a French proposal calling for the opening of a dialogue in return for Iraq's statement of ''intention'' to withdraw from Kuwait and free Western hostages.

The French proposal, discussed by President Francois Mitterrand in a speech to the United Nations last week, left open the possibility for free elections in the gulf emirate after the withdrawal.

The proposal differs markedly from the Bush administration's insistence that Kuwaiti Emir Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah be returned to power without condition and that Iraq actually withdraw from Kuwait before discussions with Baghdad begin.

In other developments:

-U.S. officials said Sunday they have been consulting with the Soviet Union about options involving the drafting of a U.N. resolution to authorize the use of military force against Iraq. The Soviet Union, declaring it is part of the U.N. Security Council, recently indicated its troops would participate in any U.N.-sponsored military action.

-An Air Force F-15-E jetfighter on a routine training mission crashed in the southern Arabian Peninsula in an accident that killed both crewmembers, a U.S. military spokesman said. The crewmembers' names were withheld pending notification of next of kin. A board of Air Force officers will investigate the crash of the plane assigned to the 4th Tactical Fighter Wing, deployed in support of Operation Desert Shield, said Sgt. Michael Baker, a spokesman for the U.S. Central Command in Saudi Arabia.

-President Bush was to address the U.N. General Assembly Monday. White House Secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the president was to discuss how the world organization has adapted to the political changes around the globe and ''and is pulling together to deal with the Persian Gulf problem.''

Bush was expected to hail a resurgent United Nations in his speech, living up at last to the expectations of its founders 45 years ago.

''We've seen a century sundered by barbed threats and barbed wire give way to

a new era of peace and freedom,'' Bush said in an excerpt released by the White House. When Iraq attacked Kuwait, he said, ''the world was ready'' to respond through the United Nations.

The State Department warned Americans abroad they might become targets of terrorist attacks by pro-Iraqi elements.

In a statement read by Voice of America, Washington advised U.S. citizens overseas to be cautious, particularly when they are near U.S.- owned buildings or businesses and U.S. military installations.

''The statement said there were growing indications that terrorist attacks are likely to take place in the near future under the sponsorship of Iraq in Europe and the Middle East,'' VOA reported.

Newsweek reported in its Oct. 1 edition that U.S. officials were drafting a U.N. Security Council resolution that would authorize military action against Iraq. The draft, which sources said was still in rough form, may not be acted upon for another month or more, the magazine said.

Bush administration officials, however, said the drafting stage had not been reached.

''We have been consulting with allies and the Soviet Union about options, but there's been no drafting of a resolution at this stage,'' an official said.

The official said the allies with whom U.S. officials have discussed the possible use of U.N.-sponsored force against Iraq include Britain, France, West Germany, Japan, Canada and Italy.

Such a resolution would call for the use of military force in the event economic sanctions imposed against Saddam Hussein do not force him out of Kuwait.

National security adviser Brent Scowcroft indicated last week that the systematic destruction of Kuwait by Iraq and the atrocities committed by Iraqi forces were bringing the United States closer to military action.

Scowcroft said the United States was considering seeking the implementation of Article 42 of the U.N. Charter, which authorizes ''action by air, sea or land forces as necessary to retain or restore international peace or security.''

Scowcroft gave no time frame for a U.S. decision on whether economic sanctions were working.

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#90274u0549 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (OCT. 1) UPI - Aeroflot, the Soviet Union's national airline, will end daily flights from Cuba to Latin America and establish Miami as its gateway to South and Central America, a published report said Monday.

Aeroflot, the world's largest airline, hopes to begin using Miami as a refueling and crew-change stop within 90 days, according to a report in the International Business Chronicle, a semimonthly business journal published in Miami.

''The situation in Cuba is very bad. Fuel is very scarce and expensive,'' the newspaper quoted George V. Terentiev, vice president and commercial director for Aeroflot USA in New York, as saying. ''So we are telling our old friends thank you very much and goodbye.''

Aeroflot-Soviet Airline's U.S. reservations office said the airline currently has daily flights from Moscow via Havana en route to Mexico, Nicaragua and Peru.

Terentiev said, ''Aeroflot is negotiating to start flights to Miami in January or possibly before that.''

''The impact on Cuba may be disastrous,'' said Antonio Jorge, a professor of economics and international relations at Florida International University in Miami, told the business publication.

''This is compatible with the decrease in the Soviet Union of levels of foreign aid to Cuba at a rate of 15 percent, which includes a decline of the basic raw materials, in the last few months. This may indicate the Soviet Union has made a decision to cut back gradually on aid and commercial relations with Cuba,'' Jorge said.

''This definitely must respond to a very high-level decision in the Soviet leadership.''

Under terms of the current U.S.-Soviet bilateral agreement, Aeroflot already has received permission to schedule service from Moscow to Miami and then to Chile and Brazil in April, but that date will be postponed until winter 1991, said Peter Reavely, Miami International Airport's chief of aviation development.

Aeroflot has ordered five long-range A310-300 twin-engine aircraft from France's Airbus Industrie to use in its new routes, but those planes will not be delivered until November 1991, Reavely said.

Additional permits are required for Aeroflot's new Latin American routes.

''This is a separate issue from the bilateral air agreement,'' Reavely said.

The Soviet Union is seeking an exemption authority to use Miami instead of Havana as a technical stop for flights to Lima, Peru; Mexico City, and Managua Nicaragua, Reavely said.

Aeroflot has already begun the exemption process, which is expected to take 30 to 90 days, Reavely said.

The Soviet Ministry of Civil Aviation must present a petition to the Soviet Ministry of Foreign Affiars, which would forward it to the U.S. Department of State and then to the U.S. Department of Transportation for approval.

A spokesman at the U.S. Department of Transportation, however, said the agency has ''not yet received such an application.''

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#90274u0557 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 1) UPI - Indian Prime Minister V-P Singh won a vote of confidence from the parliamentary coalition yesterday. Opponents had criticized a plan to reserve jobs for lower classes.

Palestinian sources say Israeli soldiers killed a Palestinian in the West Bank yesterday. 22 others were wounded. Two suspected Arab collaborators were killed in the Gaza Strip.

Liberian rebel leader Prince Johnson says negotiations with another rebel force have failed. He says there is NO hope for peace talks in the west African country and that he will attack his rivals who have surrounded the capital, Monrovia.

Two miners were killed in a collapse in South Africa's central goldfields region yesterday. Four were injured. The accident occurred in the Harmony gold mine.

South African police have arrested 11 blacks in connection with the mutiliation and killing of four whites. A spokesman says police confiscated a number of weapons from those arrested.

Actor Peter Boyle has been hospitalized in Salt Lake City following a mild stroke. The 54-year-old actor is in fair condition. He was filming a movie in Utah when he was stricken yesterday morning.

New England Patriots owner Victor Kiam is delaying a shakeup of the team's management. Kiam will wait until the National Football League investigates the harassment of a woman sportswriter in the Pats locker room.

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#90274u0611 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 1) UPI - French radio reports say Iraq is freeing nine French hostages who have been used as human shields around key installations in Iraq. The reports give few details, but quote the Iraqi News Agency as saying the nine will return to France with the president of a friendship group now visiting Baghdad. .

Egypt's president says in an interview published today that war is inevitable if a U-N embargo against Iraq fails. Hosni Mubarak told a French daily the embargo may force Baghdad to- quote- ''respond to us.'' Mubarak also says NO concessions should be granted to Iraq before its troops leave Kuwait and its legitimate government is restored.

A huge rally today in the Ukraine. At least 200-thousand people marched through the republic's capital, calling for independence from Moscow and the transfer of all enterprises from central Soviet control to their workers. The protest coincides with a general strike, but the extent of the walkouts was NOT immediately known.

Budget negotiators avoided massive layoffs of federal workers today by coming up with a package of tax increases and spending cuts. But the threat of government shutdowns still lies ahead. Congress has until Friday to approve a five-year, 500-BILLION-dollar cut in the federal deficit. .

President Bush has said he will NOT sign an extension if Congress fails approve the budget with NO changes. House Speaker Thomas Foley says it will NOT be easy to get the necessary votes to pass the deficit reduction package and avert the threat of a government shutdown next Monday.

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#90274u0619 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
PARIS (OCT. 1) UPI - Air France said Monday it would eliminate its three weekly flights from Paris to San Francisco as part of a major reorganization of its schedule.

The airline previously announced a loss of $32.6 million during the first six months of 1990.

But UTA, a French airline taken over by Air France earlier this year, will increase its non-stop flights to San Francisco to four times a week from three times, Air France said.

Air France said it will continue to offer seven non-stop flights from Paris to Los Angeles each week.

Air France attributed the loss to a small 1.7 percent increase in passenger traffic in the first half from the comparable 1989 period. The company said it

expects to temporarily eliminate a number of unprofitable flights.

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#90274u0645 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Sept. 28: Purchases of 412,455 shares and sales of 598,207 shares including 42,852 shares sold short.

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#90274u0682 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

OLONGAPO, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 1) UPI - Filipino workers on strike against the largest U.S. military bases outside the United States vowed Monday to remain on the picket lines until Congress follows through on U.S. commitments to raise their salaries.

Spokesmen at the Subic Bay naval complex and Clark Air Base said it was ''business as usual'' at the facilities despite ''minor inconvenience'' caused by the strike, started Sunday night by the 22, 000-member Federation of Filipino Civilian Employees Associations.

Police said the strike was generally peaceful.

The federation called the strike to protest a 3.5 percent ceiling set by the U.S. Congress on pay raises at overseas installations. The ceiling nullifies the agreement of U.S. base officials in the Philippines to raise wages by 18 percent.

Federation President Roberto Flores said a meeting with U.S. officials was scheduled Tuesday.

''We will not lift the pickets unless we see a clear signal of compliance from Congress,'' he said.

U.S. Embassy spokesman Stanley Schrager expressed regret at the strike and urged the strikers to return to work.

''We continue to assure union members that we are doing everything possible to assure that they receive the full pay increase that is due them,'' Schrager said.

Philippine Labor Minister Ruben Torres said he expected the strike to be resolved soon. He said there were efforts being made in Congress to remedy what was regarded as an ''oversight.''

Several hundred workers manned picket lines Monday at the main gate of Subic,

a repair and logistics center for the 7th Fleet, and Clark, home of the 13th Air Force.

Some 15,400 U.S. servicemen are assigned in the bases, the largest and oldest U.S. military facilities outside the United states. Strike leaders said pickets also were established at four smaller facilities.

Philippine and U.S. officials last week held a second round of talks on the future of the bases, whose lease expires in September 1991. Both sides advocated a phased U.S. pullout from the bases.

The six U.S. bases employ some 68,000 Filipinos, but most are contract workers. The federation members are full-time employees.

The strike was the second at the facilities in less than five years. A strike in March 1986 lasted 13 days.

Lt. Cmdr. Kevin Mukri, spokesman for the commander of U.S. forces in the Philippines, said some of the services ordinarily performed by Filipino employees were being handled by volunteer service members and dependents.

''Because of the outstanding cooperation of the community ... we are able to carry out our missions,'' Mukri told U.S. military television's Far East Network.

''Basically, we're up and operating,'' Clark spokesman Maj. Wayne Crist said. ''In those areas where we need additional help, we have volunteers: dependents the GIs.''

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#90274u0698 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 1) UPI - Police have arrested 11 blacks in the mutilation and killing of four whites in a township near the central South African city of Welkom during the weekend, officers said Monday.

A police spokesman said the 11 had been arrested ''in batches'' since a patrol found the partially dismembered and burned bodies of the four - three men and a woman - in Khutloanong township north of of the conservative town of Welkom late Saturday.

The spokesman said police had confiscated a number of machetes, knived and clubs from the 11 arrested.

Three of the victims' bodies were found beside a gutted vehicle and the fourth that of a man, some 55 yards down the road, Welkom police officer Maj. Johan Fouche said Sunday, saying the victim had probably tried to escape the attackers.

Fouche said the four had visited a bar in the township Saturday afternoon, but declined to give a specific motive for the killings. ''We are working on all angles,'' he said.

A Department of Law and Order official monitoring the case said, ''Any racial or political motive is highly unlikely,'' noting that evidence shows ''it looks like a criminal attack.''

The official also ruled out any connection with a wave of factional black violence which in more than six weeks killed up to 800 people until being quelled in the middle of this month by the imposition of tough military-style measures.

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#90274u0730 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 1) UPI - French radio, quoting the Iraqi news agency, says Iraq will release nine French hostages. The hostages have been used as part of Iraq's human shield to deter U-S attacks key installations. The report says the freed hostages will return to France with the president of a French-Iraq friendship group. Over the weekend, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said France and Iraq had set up special contacts to discuss the gulf crisis. France denied the claim.

Two teen-agers joyriding in a stolen car were shot and killed by British troops last night in West Belfast in northern Ireland. The 17- year-old boy and 18-year-old woman were shot when they tried to drive through a security checkpoint. A 16-year-old girl in the car also was shot, but was NOT seriously wounded. Belfast youngsters frequently play a version of ''chicken'' in which they drive cars through the military checkpoints.

Congress is being asked to do two things that are UNpopular with voters- raise taxes and cut government spending. White House and Capitol Hill leaders have agreed on a five-year, five-BILLION-dollar plan for cutting the federal deficit. Congress has to accept it by Friday or massive federal layoffs will begin next Monday. Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell says- ''Now comes the hard part''- both sides will find provisions they doN'T like.

Eight justices of the U-S Supreme Court open their fall term today waiting for the ninth to join them. David Souter, the nominee for the court, is expected to be confirmed by the Senate tomorrow. Souter will replace retired Justice William Brennan, long the leader of the court's liberals. The court will consider cases involving abortion, an issue on which Souter has NOT revealed his legal position.

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#90274u0731 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 1) UPI - The late Admiral Hyman Rickover had a dream- that all the submarines in the U-S Navy would one day be powered by nuclear reactors. That dream comes true today. The U-S-S Blueback will be mothballed in a ceremony in San Diego. It is the last conventional sub in the navy. One big advantage of nuclear subs is that they can travel 10-thousand miles without surfacing.

The weather brought hints that autumn is here today. A storm barrelled into the Northwest. Winds of 35 miles an hour hit Washington state and blew up dust and sand as it reached eastern Washington. Cold air brought snow above the five-thousand-foot level in the Cascade Mountains. Cool temperatures covered the Northeast and Midwest. Some morning temperatures- 45 degrees in Buffalo, New York... and 43 in Cleveland.

Loren Wilson the second started high school this fall. Officials at Manteno, Illinois, High School say he is adjusting well even though he is only 11 year old. Loren started reading newspapers when he was just 18 months and passed the Scholastic Aptitude Test, usually given to high school juniors, when he was in the sixth grade. Loren's friends call him ''Doogie Howser,'' after a television show about a teen-aged doctor. But Loren says he woN'T be a doctor because he caN'T stand the sight of blood.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

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Atlanta cy	81	61	....
Baltimore sy	70	50	.03
Billings sy	80	48	....
Birmingham pc	83	58	....
Bismarck f	72	47	....
Boston sy	67	50	.23
Brownsville pc	93	72	....
Buffalo pc	61	50	.18
Burlington Vt. pc	58	42	.47
Charleston S.C. pc	83	64	.03
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Chicago pc	71	45	....
Cincinnati pc	71	49	....
Cleveland pc	65	46	.03
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Dallas cy	84	65	....
Denver pc	78	49	....

Des Moines sy	74	52	....
Detroit pc	66	46	....
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Hartford sy	67	43	.40
Honolulu sy	88	72	.18
Houston pc	92	66	....
Indianapolis sy	72	45	....
Jackson Miss. pc	87	61	....
Jacksonville sy	87	67	....
Kansas City sy	76	57	....
Las Vegas pc	88	65	....
Little Rock pc	79	60	....
Los Angeles pc	80	65	....
Louisville sy	74	51	....
Memphis sy	82	62	....
Miami Beach cy	87	76	....
Milwaukee pc	66	47	....
Minneapolis sy	70	45	.03
Nashville sy	78	58	....
New Orleans sy	87	67	....
New York sy	69	56	.25
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Omaha sy	74	55	....
Orlando pc	88	71	....
Philadelphia sy	69	50	....
Phoenix sh	81	67	....
Pittsburgh sy	64	44	.07
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Providence sy	68	47	.05
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St. Louis sy	76	56	....
Salt Lake City pc	82	59	....
San Antonio pc	92	69	....
San Diego pc	75	66	....
San Francisco pc	69	57	....
San Juan pc	90	77	.13
Seattle r	62	50	....
Spokane w	72	43	....
Tampa pc	87	71	.30
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cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90274u0875 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
HOUSTON (OCT. 1) UPI - Domestic and offshore drilling both slipped last week industry monitors reported.

U.S. drilling fell from 1,055 rotary rigs to 1,047, compared with 978 the same week a year ago, Baker Hughes Inc. reported Sunday.

Offshore drilling activity declined last week, and most of the drop was attributable to the Gulf of Mexico. Three more gulf rigs were without contracts, leaving 140 working out of a fleet of 212, for a 66 percent utilization rate, Offshore Data Services reported.

Worldwide, 549 mobile offshore rigs of the world's fleet of 670 were working, five fewer than the week before. The utilization rate was 81.9 percent.

In European waters, including the Mediterranean Sea, the rate dropped to 93.5 percent, as one fewer rig was working and another joined the fleet. Of the total of 138 in those waters, 129 were under contract.

Other relevant rig counts included Texas, 356 last week, 354 the week before and 299 the same week a year ago; Louisiana, 130, 141 and 136; Oklahoma, 124, 124 and 146; New Mexico, 58, 65 and 34; and Canada, 102, 112 and 137.

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#90274u0910 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - New construction spending, battered by hard times after years of dramatic growth, was unchanged in August following a revised gain of 0.3 percent in July, the Commerce Department said Monday.

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#90274u0924 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court agreed Monday to decide whether Oklahoma may collect state taxes on cigarettes sold at an Indian tribe's convenience store.

The justices will hear arguments this term in the appeal from the state of Oklahoma, which contends the Citizen Band Potawatomi Indian Tribe of Oklahoma is not immune from taxation.

At trial, a federal court found cigarette sales to tribe members were exempt from taxes but that sales to non-tribe members should be taxed.

On appeal, the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals found the state was barred from enforcing any tax law against the tribe and its business because it has immunity from such state actions.

The state, in seeking high court review, said the appeals court decision destroys the integrity of the Oklahoma tax system and that the tribe's immunity is limited.

The state argued the Potawatomi tribe's convenience store is located on land held in trust by the federal government, not an official Indian reservation, and therefore is subject to the same laws as other businesses in the state.

The tribe, arguing against high court review, dismissed the state's arguments, saying it ''whines about the difficulties state governments encounter when Indian tribes exercise their rights.''

The case emerged after the Oklahoma Tax Commission assessed the tribe nearly $2.7 million in penalties and interest for selling cigarettes, minus the state tax of $2.30 for each carton, between 1982 and 1986.

89-1322 Oklahoma Tax Commission vs. The Citizen Band Potawatomi Indian Tribe of Oklahoma

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#90274u0925 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 1) UPI - Official reports reaching Thailand says the deputy foreign ministers of the three communist Indochinese nations ended two days of talks with a call for a resumption of the international conference on Cambodia. The Cambodian, Laotian and Vietnamese officials met in the Cambodian capital, emerging with the call for a return to the 19-nation conference on Cambodia set by the United Nations.

A high-ranking Croatian official has accused the communist-led government of Serbia of stirring up ethnic unrest that could plunge Yugoslavia into civil war. Hundreds of militant Serbs broke into Croatian police stations in four Serbian-dominated towns during the weekend and seized weapons that they said would be used to defend themselves.

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#90274u0931 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - The manufacturing economy declined in September to its lowest level since the nation's current economic expansion began in December 1982, the National Association of Purchasing Management reported Monday.

The Purchasing Managers' Index fell to 44.4 percent, down from 47.0 percent in August.

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''The manufacturing economy ended the third quarter on a sour note,'' said Robert J. Bretz, chairman of the association's business survey committee.

The outlook is equally as gloomy as the September survey of some 300 purchasing executives, Bretz said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court, stepping into the savings and loan fray, agreed Monday to decide whether the financial institutions can deduct millions of dollars as losses by essentially swapping mortgage loans of near identical value.

The decision could affect at least five cases currently before the court and dozens of other savings and loans nationwide.

The nation's savings and loans have millions of dollars riding on the court's interpretation of a 1980 memorandum by the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, which appeared to legalize the mortgage loan exchanges as a cost-cutting step for financially ailing thrifts.

The dispute grew out of problems in the industry as far back as the late 1970s when the mortgage loan portfolios of many financial institutions were composed primarily of fixed-rate long-term home mortgage loans that had been issued in the 1960s at relatively low interest rates.

As the interest rates rose, the fair market value of the older loans fell far below their face amount.

Centennial Savings Bank FSB of Greenville, Texas, and other institutions realized they could declare a tax deduction were they to sell the loans.

But there was a catch. Many of the thrifts were in such poor financial shape that selling the loans and recognizing the losses - even though it would be beneficial for tax purposes - would have caused them to fall below minimum financial reserve requirements and face possible closure by the Bank Board.

The solution, apparently, was the Bank Board's Memorandum R-49 issued on June 27, 1980, declaring that savings institutions could make ''reciprocal sales'' of depreciated ''substantially identical mortgage loans'' without being required to record a loss for regulatory accounting purposes.

Centennial, like other thrifts, took advantage of the regulation. In April 1981, it entered into a ''reciprocal sale'' of loans with the Federal National Mortgage Association.

Centennial paid the Federal National Mortgage Association more than $5.6 million for participation interest in loans with a face amount of about $8.5 million, while the mortgage association simultaneously paid Centennial a nearly identical amount - $2 less - for loans with a face amount $3 less than the loans exchanged.

From the deal, Centennial claimed a deduction for loss on the transaction of $2.8 million - the difference between the face amount and the value of participation interests it transferred. Under R-49, Centennial did not report any loss for financial and regulatory accounting purposes.

The IRS challenged the legality of the exchange and won in U.S. District Court in Texas.

But the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals reversed the ruling. It held that for tax purposes the mortgages exchanged are ''materially different'' because they have different borrowers and collateral, even though in financial terms the loans are ''substantially identical.''

However, the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, in a similar case involving Cottage Savings Association of Cincinnati, held that no loss is ''sustained'' under the Internal Revenue Code, and thus no deduction is legal.

The high court agreed to hear appeals of both cases jointly.

The IRS claims there are at least 96 such cases now pending administratively or in the courts involving more than $400 million in taxes that could be affected by the court's decision.

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#90274u0951 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Teachers in the country's largest school system Monday reached a tentative agreement on a new contract less than two hours after the old pact expired.

No details of the pact between the 65,000 teachers and the city were immediately available. Mayor David Dinkins and United Federation of Teachers President Sandra Feldman were to formally announce the agreement at a news conference at 11 a.m. at City Hall.

The agreement came after a marathon Sunday session at Gracie Mansion in which Mayor Dinkins took at hand at ending a stalemate that began Wednesday when the teachers rejected an offer of a 4 percent pay raise.

The teachers' old contract expired at midnight Sunday, but teachers reported to classes Monday morning. The new pact must be presented to the teachers for a vote.

The teachers old contract had salary levels ranging from $25,000 to $50,000. But union leaders said the majority of teachers' pay hovers at the lower end of the range because an employee must have 20 years experience and a master's degree, plus an additional 30 credits, to qualify for the maximum pay.

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#90274u0962 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court agreed Monday to decide if civil rights laws cover U.S. companies and their employees operating overseas.

The court will hear arguments this term in two cases brought by the government and a man claiming discrimination, seeking review of a ruling by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

The case involves Ali Boureslan, a naturalized American citizen who was born in Lebanon. He brought the discrimination claims against Arabian American Oil Co. and its subsidiary, Aramco Service Co. Aramco explores, produces and refines oil and gas in Saudi Arabia. The companies are incorporated in Delaware.

Boureslan went to work for Aramco in 1979 in Houston and a year later asked for, and was given, a transfer to Saudi Arabia. In that country, he alleges his supervisor subjected him to a ''campaign of harassment,'' including racial religious and ethnic slurs culminating in his firing June 16, 1984.

He brought suit under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

However, federal courts dismissed the suit, stating the Civil Rights Act does not ''extend its reach beyond our borders.''

Both Boureslan and the federal government appealed the ruling to the Supreme Court.

The government said the lower court rulings would ''withdraw the act's protection from the many Americans who spend a portion of their careers abroad.''

Attorneys for Boureslan called the lower court decisions ''astonishing.''

Arguing against review, lawyers for the companies contended Boureslan was fired as part of a ''general reduction in force'' and there was no ''clear expression'' by Congress that the law was to apply to American companies

operating overseas.

89-1838 Equal Employment Opportunity Commission vs. Arabian American Oil Co., et al.
89-1845 Ali Boureslan vs. Arabian American Oil Co., et al.

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#90274u0964 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (OCT. 1) UPI - The Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season started with a flurry but slowed to a whimper in September, traditionally the peak month for tropical cyclone activity, forecasters at the National Hurricane Center said Monday.

Going into September, the 1990 season had spawned eight tropical storms and hurricanes in the Atlantic. That was the highest number of storms and hurricanes in a single year before Sept. 1 since 1936, forecasters said in their monthly report.

However, only one hurricane and one tropical storm developed during September, bringing the 1990 total to 10 named storms, or just about average for the year.

Not a single storm has made landfall in the United States this year.

If that holds through the end of the hurricane season Nov. 30, it would represent the first time since 1890 - 100 years - that no tropical storm or hurricane has made landfall in the United States.

Isidore, the ninth tropical storm of the season and the fourth to reach hurricane intensity, formed from a strong tropical wave that moved off Africa Sept. 1.

It was upgraded Sept. 5 to a tropical depression about 1,000 miles east of Barbados and became a hurricane three days later when it was about 400 miles east of Dominica.

Isidore peaked at 100 mph, then turned north to eventually curve and die over the open waters of the north Atlantic.

Josephine, the 10th tropical storm of 1990, also formed from a tropical wave that emerged off the African coast Sept. 16. Josephine attained status as a weak tropical storm in a shearing environment east of the Antilles.

It was a tropical storm on only three days in the middle of its 10- day life to date. On Monday, it remained a tropical depression with 35 mph winds.

At 6 a.m. EDT Monday, the depression was located near latitude 29.8 north, longitude 43.3 west, or about 1,095 miles southwest of Terceira in the Azores.

It was moving northeast near 12 mph and was expected to gradually turn to the east-northeast or east Tuesday, slowing its forward speed.

The Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season runs from June 1 to Nov. 30.

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#90274u0982 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

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The September survey, the group's Production Index fell to its lowest level, at 45.1 percent from 48.5 percent in August, since the nation began an economic recovery from recession in December 1982.

The New Order Index hit its lowest point - 44.5 percent from 46.4 percent a month earlier - since the trough of the previous recession in November 1982.

''The sharp decline in new orders in July and August has led to a marked decline in production,'' said Bretz.

A weakness in new orders signals no relief in the near future, he added.

''Coupled with sharply rising prices for petroleum-related products spawned by the Middle East crisis, the immediate outlook appears to be the worst of all

combinations, a declining economy with rising inflation,'' said Bretz.

Supplier deliveries were faster in September, reflecting the declining economy. The Supplier Deliveries Index dropped to 49.4 percent, down from 51.1 percent in August, the survey showed.

Inventories decreased for for the 22nd consecutive month in September and at a greater rate than in August. The Inventories Index fell to 40.8 percent from 44.1 percent in August.

The Employment Index fell in September for the 19th consecutive month - to 41.5 percent from 44.1 percent a month earlier - and September's rate of decline was the greatest in five years.

The survey showed the Price Index took its largest one-month jump in 15 years to 73.4 percent up from 58.2 percent in August as a result of the crisis in the Middle East.

Purchasers expressed concern that suppliers will raise prices even further in light of uncertainties surrounding the current Persian Gulf crisis.

But most, 88 percent, cited the Middle East crisis in saying they were changing their capital spending plans for the next six to 12 months.

The New Export Orders Index rose in September to 54 percent, up from 53 percent in August, for the 33rd consecutive monthly increase.

The Imports Index, however, declined for the fifth consecutive month to 45.5 percent from 47.5 percent in August. The September reading was the lowest since December 1989.

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#90274u0983 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

VATICAN CITY (OCT. 1) UPI - Pope John Paul II warned Monday that war never fully resolves international disputes and called for international dialogue and collaboration aimed at achieving stability in the Middle East.

''We all know from experience that the wars that break out and the conflicts that last a long time never settle problems definitively,'' he said. ''Only dialogue, respect for the rights of persons and peoples and collaboration among political leaders are capable of creating confidence and, therefore security.''

The pope was addressing Latin rite bishops from the Middle East, including Iraq, at a special audience marking the conclusion of their regional meeting in the Vatican.

It was the latest in a series of warnings against war the pope has made in recent weeks, with particular reference to the Persian Gulf crisis.

In an address that ranged over the whole spectrum of Middle East issues, John Paul spoke of ''the drama of Palestine'', the ''tragedy of Lebanon'' and ''the tensions loaded with danger regarding the gulf.''

He urged Christians in the region to become the ''leaven of reconciliation'' and to make themselves ''promoters of initiatives aimed at breaking the infernal cycle of violence, destruction and vendetta.''

He said Christians must play a leading role in a region ''tragically threatened with disintegration.'' He said the bishops should tell each Christian in the region ''that the pope is counting on him, has confidence in him and blesses him paternally.''

John Paul also told the bishops their communities must become the ''vanguard of dialogue'' with Moslem, Jewish and non-Catholic Christians in the region in order to collaborate in achieving stability.

The bishops attending the audience were led by Michel Sabbah, the Palestinian patriarch of Jerusalem, and included Archbishop Paul Daddah of Baghdad. There were also Latin rite bishops from Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Syria, Djibouti and Somalia.

The pope expressed regret that Bishop Francis Micallef, apostolic vicar of Kuwait, was not able to attend the meeting and that he and his flock were living ''particularly difficult moments''.

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#90274u0984 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court let stand Monday a ruling that allows banks to sell insurance in yet another case dealing with the banking industry's move into non-traditional financial services.

The court refused to hear the case brought by a number of insurance trade groups and companies challenging a decision by the Federal Reserve Board to permit banks to expand into new areas.

The case is the latest in a series of cases dealing with non-banking services. Previous cases have dealt with banks entering into the stock brokerage business, a move bitterly opposed by Wall Street brokerage houses.

Monday's case stems from a March 1989 ruling by the Federal Reserve Board, which permitted two Indiana banks acquired by the Merchants National Corp., to begin specified insurance activities.

The action was challenged in federal court but eventually upheld by the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in November 1989.

Seeking high court review, the insurance industry said the banking industry has been separated from other commercial activities ''in order to preserve the stability of banking institutions and to protect non- banking buinesses from the unfair effects of bank competition.''

They warned that allowing bank holding companies to conduct an insurance business directly within a subsidiary bank ''exposes the commercial banking industry to the same morass that has befallen the savings and loan industry, whose excesses will cost American taxpayers millions of dollars.''

The bank argued against review.

89-1620 Independent Insurance Agents of America, Inc., et al. vs. Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, et al.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock Split				
Capitol Bancorp Ltd - 11-for-10				
Increased				
Brady Co cl-A	Q	.12	10-31	10-12
Usual				
Cascade Natural Gas	Q	.33	11-15	10-15
Fidel Eqty Portf Incm	M	.05	10-15	9-28
First Fed SvgBk Mont	Q	.09	10-25	10-5
Summit Bancorp	Q	.20	12-15	12-1

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(OCT. 1) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. period earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Bergen Brunswig (4th Q 8-31)	
$1,124,550,000	$997,841,000
$14,514,000 (.42)	$10,718,000 (.37)

Campeau Corp (6 Mos 7-31)
$4,454,000,000 $4,486,000,000
d-$321,000,000 d-$191,000,000
d-Deficit.

CML Group (Year 7-31)
$278,815,000 $234,598,000
d-$12,918,000 d-$31,897,000
d-Deficit.

Commtron Corp (4th Q 8-31)
$120,547,000 $129,183,000
$1,976,000 (.19) $1,733,000 (.17)

Dick Clark Productn (4th Q 6-30)
$7,727,000 $5,395,000
$522,000 (.06) $1,019,000 (.12)

Drug Emporium (2nd Q 8-31)
$147,182,000 $119,664,000
$2,212,000 (.17) $2,372,000 (.18)

Echlin Inc (4th Q 8-31)
$427,732,000 $373,074,000
$13,485,000 (.25) $3,225,000 (.06)

Enviropact (4th Q 6-30)
$3,788,000 $2,476,000
ad-$61,000 d-$1,052,000
ad-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

Novametrix Medical (4th Q 4-29)
$4,687,000 $6,537,000
d-$5,004,000 d-$618,000
d-Deficit.

Somerset Bankshares (2nd Q 8-31)
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d-$5,272,000 $432,000 (.09)
d-Deficit.

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#90274u1041 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court refused Monday to become involved in a case involving the owner of a truck repair business in

Morrisville, Pa., who was sentenced to five years in prison for filling wetlands on his property.

The court refused to hear the case brought by John Pozsgai, whose case has been championed by the conservative Washington Legal Foundation, seeking review of a ruling by the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

According to the government, Pozsgai bought 14 acres next to his truck repair business in 1987 to expand his operations. During negotiations to buy the land he learned it was considered a wetland under federal enviromental laws and government approval must be given before any development.

Wetlands are environmentally sensitive areas preserved for wildlife.

Despite that, Pozsgai began dumping fill material on the tract without approval and continued to do so after being warned to stop. The government eventually obtained a court order to force him to stop, which Pozsgai ignored.

He was charged with unlawful filling in a 41-court indictment and convicted and sentenced to five years in prison and a $200,000 fine.

Seeking high court review, attorneys for Pozsgai, 57, portrayed him as a hard working Hungarian immigrant seeking the American dream who actually improved the site by cleaning it up. They said he is a victim of overzealous government officials and argued that the penalty is way out of line with the offense.

89-1735 John Pozsgai vs. United States of America

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#90274u1045 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 1) UPI - Eight historic sites closed to the public Monday, victims of a federal budget crunch, amid expressions of ''disappointment, shock and outrage'' from tourists.

The eight sites out of a total of 19 historic buildings open to the public at Independence National Historical Park will remain locked until Congress decides how much money to allocate to the National Park Service, which operates the landmarks.

While the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall, the city's most popular tourist attractions, will remain open, the Second Bank of the United States, which hosted 140,036 visitors last year, was among those shuttered until further notice.

''The out-of-town tourist probably is going to find out the hard way, unfortuately,'' said Bernie Goodman, assistant park superintendent. ''We're receiving feedback of disappointment, shock, outrage, nothing in any formal

ways but as comments to the staff.''

Goodman expected the sites to remain closed from one to three months ''until we at least know what finances are there'' to work with.

Congressional leaders have agreed to complete the federal budget by Oct. 19.

The park service needs $8.4 million to staff and maintain the buildings. Anticipating a $483,000 budget shortfall, park officials decided to close the buildings that are the least popular after the busy summer tourist season.

Other buildings, including Independence Hall, where the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution were signed, are badly in need of repair. Rep. Thomas Foglietta, D-Philadelphia, has been lobbying in Congress for $400,000 to repair the hall's roof.

Besides the Second Bank of the United States, the buildings that are closed as of Monday and their 1989 attendance figures are: Old City Hall, 77,271; Graff House, 36,931; Pemberton House (Army/Navy Museum), 102,286; New Hall (Marine Corps Memorial Museum), 83,255; Todd House, 15,941; Bishop White House, 12,869 and an architectural exhibit at 318 Market St. 93,658.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.40-2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 134.62 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 45.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $459.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 286.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

. City	Local Time	Temp F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	54	12
Amsterdam pc	1pm	59	15
Ankara c	3pm	70	21
Athens c	2pm	78	26
Auckland	12m	51	10
Beijing c	8pm	65	18
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	61	16
Bonn pc	1pm	57	14
Brussels cy	1pm	61	16
Cairo c	2pm	83	29
Casablanca cy	12n	75	24
Copenhagen pc	1pm	57	14
Dakar pc	12n	87	30
Dublin cy	1pm	58	15
Geneva cy	1pm	68	20
Helsinki cy	2pm	44	06
Hong Kong pc	8pm	82	28
Jerusalem cy	2pm	72	22
Karachi c	5pm	-	-
Lisbon c	1pm	75	24
London pc	1pm	60	16
Madrid c	1pm	72	22
Malta c	1pm	79	26
Manila r	8pm	82	28

Moscow cy	3pm	48	09
Nairobi pc	3pm	79	26
Nassau pc	7am	81	27
New Delhi cy	6pm	88	31
Nice pc	1pm	71	22
Oslo cy	1pm	50	10
Paris cy	1pm	63	17
Pretoria c	2pm	81	27
Riyadh	3pm	98	37
Rome pc	1pm	77	25
Seoul c	9pm	62	17
Sofia c	2pm	78	25
Stockholm cy	1pm	49	09
Sydney r	10pm	61	16
Taipei r	8pm	75	24
Tokyo pc	9pm	77	25
Tunis c	1pm	91	33
Vienna pc	1pm	76	25
Warsaw pc	1pm	65	19

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	72	22
Caracas r	8am	71	22
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	62	17
Mexico City hz	6am	54	12
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	74	23
Santiago cy	8am	48	09

Canada

Calgary pc		64	17
Edmonton c		62	16
Montreal pc		63	17
Ottawa cy		51	10
Regina c		64	17
Toronto pc		60	15
Vancouver r		61	15
Winnipeg c		55	13

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $398.60 silver base of $4.74 and platinum price of $434.00:

	Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$415.00	425.00
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	212.50	218.00
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	109.30	112.00
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	45.10	46.50
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	415.00	425.00
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	212.90	218.00
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	109.80	112.00
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	45.30	46.50
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	421.70	432.00
China Panda .50 troy oz.	217.20	222.50
China Panda .25 troy oz.	112.70	115.50
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	48.70	50.00
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	29.10	30.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	415.00	425.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	212.10	218.00
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	107.10	110.00
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	46.10	47.00
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	413.60	424.00
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	213.90	219.00
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	109.80	112.50
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	46.60	48.00
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	413.50	424.00
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	212.60	218.50
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	90.10	92.50
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	47.20	48.50
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.90	24.50
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.14	$6.25
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,420	$3,480
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,500	$1,525
Platinum		
Australian Koala	456.00	455.00
Isle of Man Noble	444.00	443.00
Canada Maple Leaf	456.00	455.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90274u1076 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court refused Monday to become involved in the notorious Howard Beach incident in New York that led to the death of a black man at the hands of a white gang.

The court refused to hear the case brought by defendants Scott Kern, Jon Lester and Jason Ladone, who sought review of rulings by New York courts. They contended jury selection during the trial was unconstitutional.

The three were convicted of manslaughter for their roles in an attack in which a gang of bat-wielding white youths chased a black man, Michael Griffith, 23, to his death Dec. 20, 1986, in Howard Beach, Queens.

Griffith, fleeing, was struck by a car and killed when he ran onto a busy highway. Another black man, Cedric Sandiford, 37, was severely beaten.

Lester, the alleged instigator of the attack, is serving a sentence of up to 30 years in prison.

Kern and Ladone, convicted of second-degree manslaughter and first- degree assault, were sentenced to a maximum of 15 and 19 years in prison respectively.

They began serving their sentences after appealing the convictions all the way to the state's highest court, the Court of Appeals.

Three others, William Bolander, Thomas Farino and James Povinelli, were convicted in September 1988 of second-degree riot, but their convictions were overturned last December and they never served any time in prison.

Robert Riley was convicted of second-degree assault as part of a plea bargain agreement and served four months of a six-month sentence.

Another defendant, John Saggese, was cleared of all charges.

89-2032 Scott Kern, Jon Lester and Jasone Ladone vs. State of New York

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#90274u1080 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 1) UPI - Four months of negotiations are over and budget negotiators now face their next challenge, selling Congress on what they have come up

with. They also will have to sell taxpayers who will have to pay 134-BILLION dollars in new taxes. The package includes a phased-in gasoline tax hike of 10 cents a gallon.

France says there's been NO high-level or special contact between Paris and Baghdad since Iraq announced that it will release nine French hostages. The official Iraqi News Agency reports that President Saddam said they could leave Iraq with a delegation of the ''French-Iraqi friendship society'' now in Baghdad. But the report did NOT say when they could leave.

The Supreme Court agreed today to decide whether savings and loans can deduct Millions of dollars as losses by essentially swapping mortgage loans of near-identical value. The decision could affect at least five cases currently before the court and dozens of other savings and loans nation-wide.

President Bush addresses the U-N General Assembly today... and he's expected to lavish praise on the world body for its response to the Persian Gulf crisis. In an excerpt of his speech released by the White House, Bush says the U-N is finally living up to the expectations of its founders 45 years ago.

A fragile cease-fire has collapsed in Liberia with one rebel leader declaring war on his main rival. Prince Johnson says there is NO hope for peace talks to end the nine-month civil war that led to the death of President Samuel Doe. Johnson has declared war on forces loyal to his rival, Charles Taylor.

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#90274u1122 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court refused Monday to become involved in the question of whether New York violated the constitutional rights of some 10,000 city corrections officers by ordering random drug testing.

The case stemmed from a 1987 directive by New York City's corrections chief that all uniformed members of the corrections department submit to random urinalysis drug testing.

A trial court ruled the directive violated the constitutional protection against unreasonable search and seizure. But an appeals court and the state's highest court upheld the tests.

The corrections department contends the rulings of the appeals courts were in ''complete harmony'' with a Supreme Court decision last year, upholding the U.S. Custom Service's program of administering drug tests to employees seeking promotion or transfer to jobs involving drug interdiction, the use of firearms or access to classified information.

The Correction Officers' Benevolent Association of the City of New York, Inc.

- which represents the officers - claims that where random drug testing of this type has been declared legal, it involves workers in ''almost constant contact'' with drug users and abusers.

The union argues that is not the case in the city's corrections facilities.

But Corrections Commissioner Richard Koehler contends there is a drug problem among some of the city's 10,000 corrections officers. He blames uniformed officers for a ''vast increase'' in the quantity of drugs successfully smuggled to inmates in recent years.

90-48 Phillip Seelig, et al. vs. Richard J. Koehler, et al.

-30- 1823

#90274u1126 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday agreed to determine what constitutes a violation of privacy when a law enforcement officer uses physical restraint against an individual to seize suspected illegal property.

The court will hear arguments this term on the matter brought by the state of California. Lawyers for the state argued a lower court erred in reversing the drug conviction of a juvenile by finding that police illegally detained the youth.

At issue is whether physical control by police officers, as an element of seizure, violates a person's Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable searches and seizures.

The California Court of Appeal, which reversed the juvenile's conviction, found there was police misconduct when two officers ''without justification'' chased a group of youths who fled from a street corner when they saw an approaching unmarked police car.

Further, the court held that police attempted to conduct an unlawful seizure when one of the juveniles discarded a rock of crack cocaine. The appellate court said the trial court erred in failing to suppress the evidence because the officers had no reasonable cause to detain the youth.

The state challenged the appeal court's findings, saying seizure does not occur until the fleeing suspect has been physically restrained. The state also argued evidence discarded by a fleeing person is not a seizure.

The appellate court's view of seizure has ''given street criminals an unjustified ... form of protection and has taken from police a necessary means to investigate suspicious behavior,'' the state argued.

89-1632 State of California vs. Hodari D.

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#90274u1131 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (OCT. 1) UPI - An increase in both harvest activity and country movement pressured grains futures early Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Oat futures were fractionally higher, but other grain and soybean futures were lower at midmorning.

Commercials and professionals were featured sellers across the floor.

Farmers made good progress with the corn and soybean harvest during the weekend. Weather conditions were favorable around the Midwest, and the 30-day outlook calls for normal temperatures and rainfall during October in the major production areas.

The prospect of lower prices prompted scattered protection of 3 to 5 cents per bushel on soybeans. There was no protection reported on corn.

Wheat was lower on spillover from the rest of the floor and the continued lack of export business.

There were rumors the Soviet Union may have bought up to 1 million tons of wheat flour, otherwise the export markets were quiet.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.25 1/2 off 2 1/2; Mar 2.35 3/4 off 1 3/4; ;May 2.41 1/4 off 2.

Soybeans Nov 6.10 1/2 off 7; Jan 6.25 1/2 off 7 1/4; Mar 6.39 off 6 1/2; May 6.48 1/2 off 5 3/4.

Wheat Dec 2.74 1/2 off 3 1/4; Mar 2.88 3/4 off 2 1/2; May 2.96 1/4 off 2 3/4.

Oats Dec 1.21 3/4 up 3/4; Mar 1.32 up 1; May 1.38 1/2 up 3/4.

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OTTAWA (OCT. 1) UPI - The Soviet Union has gained resources to combat illegal drug problems and the theft of valuable cultural property by becoming a member of Interpol, a spokesman for the international criminal police organization said Monday.

Interpol spokesman Miguel Chamorro said the organization voted at a closed meeting late last week to accept the Soviet Union, along with Czechoslovakia, Poland and the Marshall Islands in the South West Pacific Ocean.

''We are certain they need this type of cooperation,'' Chamorro said in an interview.

The Soviet Union has never been a member of Interpol, but the other east bloc countries belonged to the organization before the Second World War.

Chamorro said Interpol could provide the Soviet Union with additional help in combatting illegal drugs and tracking down stolen works of art. The extent of the drug problem is unclear, he added, but Interpol assumes it is growing worse because of the fewer restrictions placed on people entering the country.

''They are allowing people en masse to enter, so there is a need to compensate for the lack of information,'' Chamorro said.

Interpol, which concludes a week-long meeting in Ottawa Wednesday, fights international crime such as murder and kidnapping, but tends to concentrate on illegal drug trafficking, money laundering and insurance fraud and the theft of art and cultural property.

It is up to each country to decide which of its law enforcement agencies will work directly with Interpol. But, Chamorro said it was unlikely that Russia's KGB would be involved because Interpol solves criminal cases and has little to do with intelligence agencies.

On the other hand, he admitted, most of the law enforcement agencies in eastern Europe have military rather than criminal training. Membership in Interpol, Chamorrow said, will help these countries overhaul their systems of crime prevention and law enforcement.

''They realize their old systems are not as effective in criminal investigations,'' he said.

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#90274u1145 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court refused Monday to step into a dispute to decide whether state agencies may consider race as a factor in making adoption placement decisions without violating equal protection laws.

The court rejected arguments by Lisa and Ronald Wilson, who contended Kentucky's Cabinet for Human Resources excluded them from adopting a child because they are white and the child is of mixed race.

The Wilsons argued state officials violated their constitutional right under the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment by rejecting their request to adopt a child - whom Lisa Wilson had cared for from 1984 to 1986 - on the basis of race.

Mrs. Wilson maintained that she kept the child at her home with the consent of the state four to five days a week from August 1984, shortly after the infant was born, until March 1986.

One month later, an adoption worker who met with Lisa Wilson acknowledged Wilson's attachment to the child but said ''that factor did not outweigh racial considerations,'' her attorneys alleged. The worker told Wilson the agency preferred to place the child with an interracial family, and the second choice would be a black family.

Lisa Wilson was then ordered to have no further contact with the child, and several months later, the child was placed with an interracial couple.

The state, arguing against high court review, said there was no basis for the claim that equal protection laws were violated because the courts have ''recognized that the difficulties in interracial adoption justify the consideration of race as a relevant factor in adoption.''

The state cited the state agency's adoption policies, which maintain ''it is preferable to place a child in a family of his own racial background,'' but that no child should be deprived of the opportunity to have a family due to age, religion, race or handicap.

The Wilsons filed suit, charging that interracial couples and blacks were given preferrential consideration on the basis of race. A jury, however, found in favor of the state and an appeals court affirmed the decision.

90-123 Lisa and Ronald Wilson vs. Kentucky Cabinet of Human Resources, et al.

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#90274u1147 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - An accused Honduran drug dealer snatched in Central America and returned to the United States failed Monday to win a Supreme Court hearing and will face trial.

The court refused to hear the case brought by Juan Ramon Matta- Ballesteros, who sought review of a ruling by the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

The case stemmed from charges by Matta, a fugitive from the United States, who was arrested in Honduras in 1988 by local authorities, turned over to U.S. Marshals and flown to the United States.

In his appeal to the high court, Matta, a 1971 fugitive from a federal prison in Florida and a suspected drug trafficker, contends he was illegally kidnapped from his Honduran home with the help of U.S. agents and tortured by

the marshals before being brought to the United States for trial.

A federal court in Illinois ruled Matta's injuries, mostly bruises, ''did not rise to the level of torture,'' but that even if the court accepted all of Matta's allegations it would not be legally bound to order him freed.

Matta contended he was being held illegally under U.S. and international law and must be released.

The appeals court refused to order Matta freed, ruling it is ''well established'' that individuals have no standing to challenge violations of international law in the absence of protest by another nation. Honduras has not protested Matta's arrest.

The government denied the allegations and urged the justices to reject the appeal.

Justice Byron White voted to hear the case, but a case needs four votes to win high court review.

89-1797 Juan Ramon Matta-Ballesteros vs. Gary L. Henman

-30- 1858

#90274u1151 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (OCT. 1) UPI - Minority Serbs declared self-government Monday in the Republic of Croatia and blocked roads and train lines, fueling fears the rising confrontation could lead to ethnic strife, news reports and witnesses said.

The Serbian National Council, based in the town of Knin, called on Croatia's 600,000 Serbs ''to resist with all means the terror of the fascist Croatian authorities and to protect their human dignity, human and national rights.''

The 14-member council asserted it was assuming political control of Croatia's Serbian enclaves: ''We declare autonomy for Serbs in Croatia and the ethnic and historic territory on which Serbian people live.''

The nationalist government of Croatian President Franjo Tudjman had no immediate reaction.

Serbs accuse the government of depriving them of civil and human rights. Tudjman contends the ruling communists of the rival Serbian Republic are encouraging the Serbs to destabilize his government.

Armed Serbian vigilantes erected blockades around Knin, expecting Tudjman to retaliate for the autonomy declaration by sending police to reassert control, news reports and residents said.

''People are not afraid. They are fierce,'' Lazar Macura, the deputy mayor of Knin, said in a telephone interview. ''We are ready for war.''

The Serbs based their declaration on a referendum organized in August around Knin, the center of the largest Serbian-dominated area of Croatia. The referendum asked whether Serbs wanted independence from Tudjman's Croatian Democratic Society government.

Disclosing the referendum results for the first time, the council said 567,127 Serbs voted for self-government and only 144 voted against it.

The developments Monday in Knin followed weekend clashes between Serbs and police in other Serbian-dominated towns in Croatia. The fights began when officers tried to transfer police weapons to central armories.

Hundreds of militant Serbs broke into at least four police stations over the weekend and stole weapons. Unknown numbers were arrested by Croatian police, who raided homes for stolen weapons.

Yugoslavia's 4.6 million Roman Catholic Croats and 8.5 million Orthodox Serbs harbor deep hatreds for each other, and politicians of both communities have stoked tensions as they maneuver to fill the power vacuum left by the demise of 45 years of communist rule in Yugoslavia.

Serbian-Croatian frictions, which worsened in April after Tudjman's party won Croatia's first assembly free elections since 1945, are regarded as the most serious of several ethnic disputes threatening civil war in the multi-ethnic nation of 23 million.

Serbia opposes calls by Croatia and the Slovene Republic for converting the loose Yugoslav federation into a confederation of independent states. With Yugoslavia moving toward democracy, many Croats, Slovenes and other minorities fear domination by the Serbian majority.

Serbia's communist government has been exploiting rising Serbian nationalism in a bid to survive Dec. 9 assembly elections. The situation in Croatia has provided valuable ammunition for the Serbian press, with Monday's state-owned Politika newspaper alleging that drunken Croatian police had been mistreating Serbian children and women.

Serbia called Monday on Yugoslavia's collective eight-man presidency ''to protect from repraisals'' Serbs in Croatia and asked the federal Parliament hold an emergency session to discuss the situation.

Belgrade Radio said Yugoslav President Borisav Jovic, cutting short a visit to New York for a U.N. General Assembly session, called a meeting of the presidency for Tuesday.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court let stand Monday a ruling that members of the military who test positive for the AIDS virus can be ordered to tell prospective sex partners about their condition.

The case stems from the 1988 court-martial of an Air Force enlisted man, Marc A. Dumford, for disobeying a ''safe sex'' order from a military doctor. Dumford had sex with a female civilian without telling her he had tested positive for the HIV virus and without using a condom.

Dumford was diagnosed with the AIDS virus in December 1987 while stationed at Fort Carson, Colo.

On Feb. 1, 1988, he was sent to Wilford Hall Medical Center at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, for further tests and a ''safe sex'' briefing at which he agreed to inform sexual partners he had tested HIV-positive and to use a condom or other methods to prevent the transfer of body fluids during sex.

While on a pass from the hospital, Dumford, a senior airman, met a woman at the non-commissioned officers club at Lackland and the two later had sexual intercourse at an off-base hotel. Dumford did not use a condom or inform the woman he was HIV positive.

Dumford later pleaded guilty at court-martial to aggravated assault and ''willful disobedience'' of the doctor's order. He was sentenced to two years in a military prison, given a dishonorable discharge and ordered to forfeit his pay.

Dumford claimed the ''safe sex'' order was overbroad and exceeded military necessity. He also contended the charge of aggravated assault against him is illegal.

90-204 Marc A. Dumford vs. United States of America

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TILLAMOOK, OR (OCT. 1) UPI - U.S. and Canadian naval ships aided by the Coast Guard searched Monday for three missing crew members of a U.S. Navy helicopter that crashed into the Pacific Ocean off the Oregon coast.

The SH-60B Lamps Mark III helicopter plummeted into the ocean about 30 miles west of Tillamook at about 7:35 p.m. Sunday. It vanished from radar screens as it was returning to its ship, the guided missile frigate USS Crommelin, said

Coast Guard Cmdr. Ron Larsen in Tillamook.

The Crommelin, based in Long Beach, Calif., was taking part in a U.S.-Canadian joint anti-submarine warfare exercise, Navy officials said. The names of the missing were withheld pending notification of relatives. The cause of the crash was under investigation.

Low clouds hampered visibility as the search for the crew continued through the night, involving several ships of both countries' navies as well as Coast Guard and Navy helicopters, Coast Guard Falcon jets and a Navy P-3 plane.

Some debris was found Sunday night but no trace of the crew, Larsen said. Visibility was reported at just 200 feet in places and a mile in others, he said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court refused Monday to become involved in the case of a public school teacher denied unemployment benefits after being fired for wearing head-wraps she claims are part of her cultural and religious heritage.

A county circuit court and the Mississippi Supreme Court had reversed a finding of the state Employment Security Commission denying unemployment compensation to assistant teacher Deborah McGlothin, fired for insubordination from her job with the Jackson Public Schools March 17, 1987.

McGlothin, a member of the original African Hebrew Israelities out of Ethiopia occasionally wore a head-wrap during her four years with the Jackson school system. She said it was part of her cultural and religious heritage.

During the beginning of the 1986-87 school year, Whitfield Elementary School, where she worked, adopted a rule prohibiting teachers from wearing head-wraps or blue jeans.

McGlothin complied for a time, but when she resumed wearing the head covering, she was fired.

The Mississippi Employment Security Commission rejected McGlothin's request for unemployment benefits on the grounds that she was fired for ''misconduct.''

''The custom is not dictated by the Ethiopian Culture, but is (McGlothin's) preference in expressing her ancestry,'' the commission's review board found. ''(McGlothin) admits she does not wear her head-wrap at all times, but is selective in choosing when to put it on.''

However, a county circuit court overruled the commission, finding that whether

McGlothin wore the head-wrap every day or not ''detracts not at all from the conclusion that such practices are protected by the First Amendment ... and cannot be 'misconduct' ... as to deny unemployment benefits.''

A divided state supreme court upheld the circuit court's finding.

The Mississippi Employment Security Commission, in asking the high court to hear the case, wrote the ''constitutionally protected right of religious expression is a right of the highest order.''

But the commission charged that the ''unwarranted expansion'' of that right by the state courts in the McGlothin case ''has the effect of detracting from the proper dignity commanded by the right, and dilutes its authenticity.''

89-1726 Mississippi Employment Security Commission vs. Deborah McGlothin

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 1) UPI - The beginning of a possible deal to end the Persian Gulf crisis emerged Monday in President Bush's speech to the United Nations General Assembly.

Taken together with speeches in the past week by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and French President Francois Mitterrand, the deal involves an old diplomatic ploy: taking an intractable dispute and raising the possibility of a solution by linking it with a larger series of issues.

The diplomatic ''pathway'' - to use the latest State Department buzz word - emerged first on Aug. 12 in a speech by Saddam in which he said he would pull his forces out of Kuwait if Israeli occupation in the West Bank and Gaza and the Syrian occupation of the Bekaa Valley of Lebanon would end.

Within hours, the proposal was rejected by the White House and the State Department as something that was designed as a diversion and trick to cover a totally different kind of situation involving brutal, naked aggression.

But the spark of that idea emerged again last week on Sept. 24 when Mitterrand talked to the General Assembly and, among other things, suggested that Saddam could emerge from this crisis as a heroic, historic figure if the settlement of the gulf crisis could be used as a key to solve larger problems in the Middle East, including the Arab- Israeli dispute.

The State Department expressed its annoyance with Mitterrand with an expression of contempt. Five days after the Mitterrand speech, a senior administration official who is a key in Middle East policy, said he had been too busy attending other meetings to even read the French president's speech.

But Saddam was not apparently so busy, because on Sunday he made another one of his televised addresses, and suggested ''a debate'' or diplomatic contact with the French about the Mitterrand plan.

The next development came Monday, again before the U.N. General Assembly, when Bush signalled a shift in U.S. policy and also appeared to accept the idea of linking the Gulf crisis with Mitterrand's suggestion of linking it to the Arab-Israeli dspite.

While insisting on Iraq's unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait, Bush suggested - for the first time for an American official - that the ''peoples of the region'' take this as an opportunity ''to settle the conflict that divides the Arabs from Israel.''

The next step will probably be the sound of a muffled diplomatic explosion coming from Israel, which has adamantly refused to link its continued occupation of the West Bank and Gaza with anything else. The Israeli's worst nightmare is a scenario in which the Arab world finally unites against Israel. An even scarier possibility, for the Israelis, is that the Arabs would be backed and supported by the United States, joined by its new talking partner, the Soviet Union.

Many things tend to go wrong in Middle East diplomacy, and this is especially true when involved with an unpredictable element like Saddam.

But the shift of emphasis in the U.S. policy, which follows Saddam's offer to talk to the French, offers the embryonic shadow of a hope that the gulf crisis could end - to use Winston Churchill's phrase - with talk-talk, rather than war-war.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court refused Monday to get involved in a conflict over efforts to stop the broadcast of a TV documentary on the notorious child-custody battle involving Hilary Foretich.

The court refused to hear the case brought by Hilary's father, Dr. Eric Foretich, who sought a court order last April to stop the broadcast of the British Broadcasting Corp.'s documentary ''Hilary in Hiding'' out of concern for the child's emotional health.

Hilary Foretich, now 8, is the central figure in a continuing international custody battle between Eric Foretich and her mother, plastic surgeon Elizabeth Morgan.

The U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia issued a temporary order April 6 that barred the airing of a 3 1/2-minute segment of the documentary in

which a 4-year-old Hilary discussed alleged sexual abuse by her father. The court, after viewing the documentary, said it could cause ''irreparable harm'' to Hilary.

Despite objections from Hilary's father and her court-appointed guardian, the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia three hours later cleared the way for the broadcast of the program.

The appeals court said halting part of the documentary, which was presented on Lifetime Cable, would have violated the First Amendment ban on ''prior restraint.''

Although the documentary aired a number of times on national television, the Supreme Court was being asked to bar further broadcast of the 3 1/2-minute segment.

Lawyers for Eric Foretich and the child's court-appointed lawyer, Linda Holman claimed the segment was taped at a psychologist's office without Hilary's knowledge.

In the segment, the child is shown describing to her mother ''in graphic terms and with animated gestures'' the alleged sexual abuse, the appeal to the high court stated.

The BBC, in a brief to the court, said the young girl was aware she was being videotaped at the psychologist's session and claimed censoring the documentary would violate free speech guarantees.

Morgan, who claims Foretich sexually abused Hilary for years, spent 25 months in jail for contempt of court for sending Hilary into hiding in 1987 rather than obey a court order to allow Foretich to visit the girl. She was freed only by an act of Congress.

Hilary was discovered this year living in New Zealand with her maternal grandparents. Her mother has now joined her and the courts there are reviewing the custody question.

90-35 Hilary Foretich vs. Lifetime Cable and British Broadcasting Corp.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - Gen. Mikhail Moiseyev, chief of the Soviet armed forces, was welcomed by Defense Secretary Dick Cheney at the Pentagon Monday at the beginning of an official U.S. visit.

Moiseyev, who is also the first deputy minister of defense in the Soviet Union was scheduled to meet with President Bush Tuesday. It is his first trip to

the United States.

The Soviet general is to tour U.S. military facilities across the nation this week and then return to Washington Friday to hold a joint news conference at the Pentagon with his American counterpart, Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, before leaving Friday night for Moscow.

''General Powell has put together a very, very useful program,'' Moiseyev said upon his arrival at the Pentagon.

The Soviet general was given the normal honorary welcome afforded foreign dignitaries at the Pentagon, with a 21-gun cannon salute and military bands and colors, and then met with Powell, Cheney and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

''We look foward to the opportunity to continue military exchanges,'' Cheney told Moiseyev.

Cheney plans to visit the Soviet Union later this month for the first time in his role as defense secretary.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 1) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 59-65.

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OMAHA (OCT. 1) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 1,800; trading on slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, prices both classes 50-75 higher than last Wednesday, very light receipts of slaughter cows and bulls near steady; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-4 1075-1375 lb 77.50-78.50, couple packages and 5 loads 78.75-79.00, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 76.00-77.50, select No 2-3 74.00-76.00; holsteins choice No 2-3 1250-1500 lb 70.00-70.50, select and choice No 2-3 1150-1450 lb 69.00-70.00, select No 2-3 67.50- 68.50; heifers choice No 2-4 950-1250 lb 77.25- 78.50, near 6 loads 78.75-79.00, select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 75.50-77.50, select No 2-3 73.00-75.50; cows high cutter, utility, commercial

2-4 breaking few 50.00-52.00, boning 51.00-56.00, canner and lo cutter few 47.00-52.50.

Hogs 1,600; butchers 1.50 higher, No 1-3 220- 270 lb 57.50-58.00, 230-260 lb often 58.00; sows 30 percent, 3.00 higher, No 1-3 350-500 lb 48.00-48.25, few 48.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 50.00.

Sheep 150; slaughter lambs and ewes little changed; shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb No 1-2 pelts 50.00-51.00, 100- 120 lb 47.00-50.00; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-135 lb 48.00-49.00, 100- 120 lb 45.00-48.00, shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court refused Monday to review a ruling involving a Southern Baptist seminary forced to award a divinity degree in marital counseling to a minister who allegedly beat his wife.

The high court rejected arguments in a case brought by officials of a New Orleans seminary, whose decision to withhold a degree from a student was overturned by a state court.

At issue is whether state courts have jurisdiction in matters involving religious organizations and their doctrines, and whether such organizations are protected under the First Amendment's guarantee of religious freedom.

In this case, the faculty at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary voted in 1989 that student Rudolph Babcock was unfit for Christian ministry and ineligible to receive a master of divinity degree even though he had completed course work in family and marital counseling. He was already a licensed minister by another church.

The seminary found he was unfit because in 1987, Babcock - who was put on probation for beating his wife - violated the probation by ''continued physical and verbal abuse of his wife.'' The seminary then sought to expel him for separating from his wife, which is against the seminary's doctrines.

Babcock appealed, saying the church breached its contract with him, and the state court overruled the seminary's decision. Babcock successfully sought an injunction, forcing the seminary to readmit and train him.

In 1989 when Babcock completed his course work, the faculty deemed him ''unfit'' and voted to withhold his degree.

Babcock filed suit and a Louisiana civil court, finding that it did have jurisdiction over the matter, ruled in his favor. The court said the seminary,

while ''perhaps having characteristics of a church,'' functioned primarily as a school and was therefore not covered under the First Amendment.

Moreover, the court found that the issue was a contract dispute, not a religious controversy. An appeals court affirmed.

Lawyers for the seminary, in seeking high court review, called the state court's decision ''an intolerable violation'' of the First ''sion ''an

''It represents a serious threat to the right of every religious body to be free from government intervention in certifying ministers, priests, rabbis, or others who would teach its religious faith,'' it argued in a brief.

''This potential entanglement of the state in the spiritual realm of the church is an intolerable violation of the First Amendment rights of the seminary, of the Southern Baptist Convention and of every one of the 14 million Southern Baptists in this country.''

Justice Harry Blackmun voted to hear the case, but a case needs acceptance by four justices before it will be heard by the court.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 66-69.

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#90274u1238 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 1) UPI - American and Canadian naval ships aided by the Coast Guard are searching for three missing crew members of a U-S Navy helicopter that crashed into the Pacific Ocean. The helicopter plummeted into the ocean about 30 miles west of Tillamook, Oregon, last night after it vanished from radar screens. The chopper disappeared while returning to its ship, the guided missile frigate U-S-S Crommelin, which is based at Long Beach, California. Some debris was found last night, but there was NO sign of the crew.

Teachers in the country's largest school system reached a tentative agreement on a new contract today, less than two hours after the old pact expired. NO details of the pact between 65-thousand teachers and New York City were

immediately available. The old contract expired at midnight, but teachers reported to classes this morning. The new pact must be presented to the teachers for a vote.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and his Christian Democrats absorbed their smaller East German sister party today to form the most powerful political grouping in Germany. The merger party congress in Hamburg brought together 750 West German and 250 East German delegates two days before German unification. The action was a personal triumph for the West German leader, who's considered the moving force behind German reunification.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - Restrained reflection, rather than hoopla and hallelujahs, is the rule from Boston to Brussels for German expatriates marking the unification of East and West Germany.

Elegant diplomatic receptions are being hosted by the West German ambassadors in Geneva, Washington and other international meccas, and many simple church services are slated, but kick-up-the-heels partying is hard to find.

''Ours will be a rather sober party, just to talk a little about what is happening,'' said Johannes Trommer, the German consul general in Boston, who is hosting a ''small reception'' at Wednesday noon.

Just as the euphoria of the Berlin Wall's fall has faded into a reality hangover for German citizens, expatriates are hardly hauling out the red dresses and dancing shoes for unification, which occurs at a moment after midnight on Wednesday morning.

''No fireworks and the like have been organized,'' said an official at the West German mission in Geneva.

Indeed, the unification events on tap in European capitals are not exactly the types seen for World Cup soccer success in Brazil or a baseball World Series victory in Chicago.

About 1,800 people were invited to a reception at the Goethe Institute in Brussels by West Germany's delegate to the 12-nation European Community.

''It would be nice to be in Berlin or Bonn for unification day, but we're just all moved by the historic dimensions of the moment and are happy to celebrate from Brussels,'' said West German diplomat Georg Birgelin.

In Switzerland, about 1,000 people were invited to a reception in Bern given by the West German ambassador, and another 1,000 were asked to a similar soiree in Geneva by West Germany's ambassador to United Nations agencies.

There are about 81,000 Germans in Switzerland, the third-largest foreign contingent of foreigners after Italians and Spaniards.

In Austria, unification activities are focused on a simple service of thanksgiving at the palatial 18th-century St. Charles Church in Vienna.

The event was kept deliberately low-key in a country where many vividly remember Austria's 1938 annexation by the Nazis. ''The Austrians have been careful to make clear they have nothing to do with unification,'' said a Viennese diplomat.

The attitude among the 25,000 Germans in Namibia, in southwestern Africa, is very much ''so what,'' according to Hans Feddersen, the editor of the rightwing German newspaper, Allgemeine Zeitung.

Expected higher taxes in West Germany to support its neighbor is ''hardly cause for champagne in the streets,'' Feddersen said.

President Bush has declared Oct. 3 ''German-American Day'' in honor of the 50 million Americans of German descent, and ecumenical services are set for Washington, San Francisco and other U.S. cities.

In Berlin, New Jersey, a circa 1936 Lufthansa Junkers aircraft will do a flyover and the mayor will receive a chunk of the Berlin Wall, but festivities are scarce in America's other aptly named towns - which include numerous Germantowns and Hamburgs, and even a Munich on the North Dakota prairie.

Geography still has its day in the United States, however: the National Geographic Society begins selling for $7.95 a new map showing Germany as one country.

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MIAMI (OCT. 1) UPI - An escalator accident that killed one woman and injured five other elderly Cubans at Miami International Airport was not the result of a mechanical problem, police said Monday.

''They pretty much have decided that nothing was wrong with the escalator. It has been classified as an accidental death,'' said Metro- Dade Police Detective George Reyes.

The accident occurred Sunday as senior citizens arriving from Cuba rushed up the crowded escalator to meet relatives. Police said someone fell, starting a chain reaction.

''It basically caused them to go down like dominoes,'' said Metro Police Lt.

Bernardo Bestard.

Several people were trampled as they attempted to escape.

Bartola Agrispina Acosta-Pereda, 75, was crushed to death and died at the scene. A medical examiner's report by Dr. Arthur Copeland listed the cause of death Monday as ''multiple injuries.''

Most of her injuries appeared to be caused when other passengers fell on her. It was unclear which passenger started the chain reaction or what caused the fall, said Metro-Dade Detective Ralph Fernandez said.

The five injured passengers were treated at Jackson Memorial Hospital. They included Acosta-Pereda's husband, Juan Romero, 87, who suffered a broken ankle.

The passengers had just arrived from Havana aboard an Eastern Airlines plane chartered by ABC Tours. About 400 relatives, many of whom had not seen their family members in decades, were waiting with cameras and video recorders.

''The passengers were so excited about seeing their families that there was a lot of pushing and shoving,'' said passenger Niels Frenzen. ''They were a real tough crowd to control. You were seeing little old ladies jostling each other.''

Some of the passengers who had been waiting to go upstairs appeared confused by the escalator and unfamiliar with the machinery, witnesses said.

Said Carlos Mayor, who was waiting for an aunt, ''These elderly haven't seen an escalator in years, if ever.''

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LONDON (OCT. 1) UPI - Stocks prices closed sharply higher in moderate trading Monday on the London International Stock Exchange, boosted largely by institutions purchasing blue-chip stocks and by expectations of lower interest rates.

The Frankfurt Stock Exchange rebounded strongly, advancing 6.43 percent.

In London, the blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 18.9 points Friday, surged 40.6 points to 2,030.8. The narrower top 30 industrial average climbed 37.3 points to 1,573.0.

Volume amounted to about 328 million shares, down from the 403 million thatchanged hands Friday.

News from Washington of a budget agreement reached over the weekend between

President Bush and congressional leaders sparked hopes of lower U.S. interest rates in the near term - and lower British rates as well.

Analysts also said share prices moved higher as crude oil eased on spot markets.

Also Monday, the Central Statistical Office reported Britain's retail sales volume fell a revised 2 percent in August from July and were up 0.1 percent from August 1989.

Double-digit improvements in blue-chip stocks were largely due to purchasing by institutional investors shifting their portfolios, analysts said.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Boots, the retail pharmacy group, gained 14 cents to $5.34 on news it has applied to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for approval to market a heart drug, Manoplax, there.

Other advancing issues included: Glaxo, up 32 cents to $13.28; Imperial Chemical Industries, up 25 cents to $14.81; and British Aerospace, up 9 cents to $10.13.

In Frankfurt, the closely watched German Stock Index, which tumbled 19.19 points Friday, closed up 85.84 points, or 6.43 percent, to 1, 420.73.

Traders said prices surged amid speculation that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein may be looking for a peaceful way out of the Persian Gulf crisis prompting enthusiasm for buying stocks.

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HUNTINGTON, IN (OCT. 1) UPI - Physical beauty - even with some help - is no sin, according to Sister Beatrice Lorenz, whose new calling after 50 years visiting the sick and teaching religion is cosmetology.

The Roman Catholic nun finished two years of training at the Trend School of Beauty in Riverton, Wyo., last month and now plans to cut, wash and style hair at the Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters convent in Huntington. Her clientele will include retired nuns, the convent's administrators and visitors.

Born in Minneapolis, Sister Bea entered the Indiana mission in 1940 and served in many states.

She said she would continue ''primarily in a life of prayer,'' but believes her new skills fit her life's dedication, because, ''if people look good, they feel good.''

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NAIROBI, KENYA (OCT. 1) UPI - Airplanes began daily emergency relief flights Monday for western Sudan to aid an estimated 50,000 refugees, but agencies warned that famine now threatens all of Sudan's 23 million people.

''The whole country is in trouble. They have nothing. They already are in trouble in the north. It's really bleak,'' said Bob Koepp of the Lutheran World Federation.

The church federation has been flying relief aid to war-torn Sudan since 1988 in conjunction with international donor nations. The latest direct flights to the city of Wau, 650 miles south of Sudan's capital of Khartoum, will send about 1,800 metric tons of food, seeds, agriculture tools and fuel to support 50,000 displaced people living there for two months.

''We included seeds and tools rather than just aid so the people can plant, then they should be all right. They just don't get anything in,'' Koepp said.

Civilians in Wau, as in Juda, Sudan's other southern town surrounded by rebels are the victims of a civil war that has devastated the East African nation since 1983.

The black African insurgent Sudanese People's Liberation Army, which is predominantly Christian, currently controls large areas of southern Sudan. Attempts at peace talks between the rebels and the hardline Islamic government have failed.

But Sudanese leader Gen. Omar al Bashir, in New York for an U.N.- sponsored world summit on children, announced a three-month ceasefire to allow children to be vaccinated.

''A ceasefire is excellent. I hope and think this will lead to serious peace talks,'' Koepp said.

One Western aid official recently in Khartoum said he felt the government seemed tired of war and ready to talk.

''Bashir was looking for a way out, and this is a golden opportunity, '' the official said, asking to remain unidentified.

Years of war and drought have all but destroyed the Sudanese economy, threatening other regions with famine. The situation is compounded by an impending fuel shortage with Saudi Arabia, which cut off Sudan's oil supplies after Sudan sided with Iraq in the Persian Gulf crisis.

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NEW DELHI, INDIA (OCT. 1) UPI - India's Supreme Court ordered Prime Minister V.P. Singh's government Monday to temporarily halt its plan to reserve 27 percent of federal jobs for the so-called backward classes.

The decision came amid protests against the quota system in several northern states. A young man in New Delhi doused his body in fuel and set himself ablaze, triggering a confrontation between police and about 500 demonstrators.

The nation's highest court made its decision just one day after Singh received a vote of confidence from political backers in Parliament, who urged him to proceed with the job quota proposal.

The Supreme Court directed the government to stop implementation of the program until Oct. 25, when the court will consider the constitutionality of the system.

''Until the matter is heard, and we expect it to be finished before the end of the year, no further steps should be taken,'' the court said.

The Supreme Court ruled on a petition filed by K.K. Venugopal, president of the Supreme Court Bar Association, who argued the quota system was unconstitutional and maintained that it must be stopped to help quell violence that has swept across northern India for the past two months.

At least 75 people have been killed while protesting the government's program since Singh announced the decision Aug. 7.

''We make it clear that we expect that the law and order situation will improve,'' the Supreme Court said.

Protests continued Monday. In one instance in New Delhi, a 27-year- old man identified as Praveen Jain poured gasoline over his body and set himself on fire, the Press Trust of India news agency said.

It said the victim was admitted to a hospital with burns on about 40 percent of his body and was listed in critical condition.

The immolation attempt prompted about 500 protesters to gather in the area and force numerous shops to close. They also threw stones at cars and buses and set at least one truck on fire, the Press Trust said.

In a separate incident, authorities in the western state of Rajasthan placed police on alert after a student died Sunday from burn injuries after setting himself on fire.

Police feared that the death of the student, identified as Laxmi Narayan Sharma, would prompt further violence.

Reaction to the quota program has created the worst crisis since Singh formed his National Front government in December.

With 22.5 percent of all central government positions already reserved for the untouchables - India's lowest caste who are still shunned by society in some areas - Singh's decision meant that nearly half of all government jobs, from railroads to foreign service, would be locked up in a quota system.

High-caste Hindus hold the prime minister responsible for the unrest that has erupted since he announced the decision.

High-caste youths oppose the job reservation scheme because it would restrict their ability to enter India's government service. They also charge that the move will enshrine the caste system in law and increase government inefficiency by eliminating merit.

Proponents of job reservation say it will give lower-caste citizens, who represent about 54 percent of India's 830 million people, a better opportunity to obtain government employment, which traditionally has been the domain of the upper castes.

Under the ancient caste system, Hindus are born into four basic levels of society, with the priestly Brahmins at the top and the untouchable Harijans, who are restricted to menial tasks, at the bottom. Traders, farmers and others belong to the two intermediate castes.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait:

UNITED NATIONS - President Bush held out the prospect of a peaceful outcome to the Persian Gulf crisis Monday in a subtle offer of political and economic incentives for Saddam Hussein to get out of Kuwait. In a speech to the U.N. General Assembly, Bush said the world is united behind the U.S. position that ''the annexation of Kuwait will not be permitted to stand.''

But in language that embraced elements of a French overture to Saddam last week, Bush said ''there may be opportunities'' for Iraq in leaving Kuwait, including a permanent resolution of their longtime disputes over territory, money and oil, as well as settlement of ''the conflict that divides the Arabs from Israel.''

JERUSALEM - The Israeli military said Monday it will distribute gas masks to the nation's more than 4.7 million citizens. But it denied the decision is a

response to any increased threat of chemical attack from Iraq's Saddam Hussein.Israel said it also is buying gas masks for the estimated 1.7 million Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

IN SAUDI ARABIA - An Air Force F-15-E jetfighter on a routine training mission crashed Sunday in the southern Arabian Peninsula, killing both crewmembers, a U.S. military spokesman said. The accident was under investigation.

PARIS - The French government denied Monday Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's assertion that Baghdad and Paris had established special contacts to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. A statement from the presidential Elysee Palace said the only exchanges between the two governments concerned ''purely routine'' matters that cannot ''appear to be a negotiation.''

Meanwhile, the official Iraqi News Agency reported Saddam ordered nine Frenchmen released and said they could leave Iraq with a delegation from the France-Iraq Friendship Association now in Baghdad. INA did not say when the released Frenchmen, part of a larger group of Western nationals described by Iraq as ''foreign guests'' and held in the country as a human shield against attack, would leave Baghdad.

PARIS - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said in an interview published Monday if the U.N. embargo against Iraq fails, ''war will be inevitable.'' Mubarak, in his interview with the French daily Le Figaro, also rejected the notion of free elections in Kuwait once the Iraqis have withdrawn. ''To accept that postulate is to grant in advance that any country in the gulf can invade its neighbor to change the head of state,'' the Egyptian president was quoted as saying.

NEW YORK - Newsweek reported Monday that U.S. officials are drafting a U.N. Security Council resolution that would authorize military action against Iraq. The draft, which sources said is in rough form, may not be acted on for ar month or more, the magazine said.

BAGHDAD, Iraq - Analysts say an economic embargo imposed by the United Nations against Iraq has caused severe shortages of food and other goods in the country. Iraq starts a tough rationing program Monday. Iraq's trade minister said reports foreigners would be denied food were false.

BEIJING - Chinese officials dismissed as ''totally groundless'' a Western news report that a Chinese firm sold Iraq large quantities of a chemical used to make nuclear weapons in defiance of the U.N.-led embargo.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The 10-year ordeal of a freed Texas death row inmate ended Monday with the U.S. Supreme Court's refusal to review a ruling that he

was the victim of racial injustice.

But the prosecutor who hoped to put Brandley back behind bars said the court ruling meant a ''killer'' remained on the streets.

The nation's high court refused to hear arguments on whether the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals acted properly last December in overturning the conviction and death sentence of Brandley, who later was freed from prison on $75,000 bond.

Montgomery County District Attorney Peter Speers said in Conroe he already had filed a court motion to dismiss the still-existing murder indictment against Brandley.

''I'm extremely disappointed ... From a legal standpoint, I was on extremely solid ground on my arguments,'' Speers said. ''The case is over with and, in my view, a killer has escaped the consequences of his actions and I regret that.''

Speers said the former inmate could not be successfully prosecuted again because of lost evidence and the recanted testimony of some trial witnesses.

''It was great news,'' Mike DeGeurin, Brandley's attorney, said of the court's action. ''It wasn't unexpected, but you're always nervous when the other thing could happen, so we're real happy ... It's time to let this innocent man go.''

Brandley, who has maintained his innocence, spent more than nine years on death row and once came within five hours of execution.

He was sentenced to die for killing Cheryl Dee Fergeson, a 16-year-old volleyball team manager from Bellville killed while taking part in a volleyball tournament at Conroe High School. Brandley was head janitor at the school.

He was freed from prison in January, after the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals overturned his conviction and death sentence and ordered a new trial. The court acted on the recommendation of a judge who presided over a 1987 evidentiary hearing in the case and found Brandley was singled out as a suspect in the case because he was black.

Fergeson was white, and Brandley was convicted by an all-white jury.

Brandley's family and a handful of supporters began a grass-roots movement to prove he was the victim of prejudice, and their cause attracted national attention and the endorsements of groups such as the NAACP and Amnesty International.

Brandley, 38, has returned to school to become an electrician since his

release from prison and has been preaching at Houston-area churches.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - President Bush held the olive branch a little further away from the sword today in a speech to the U-N General Assembly. The results could be a slight glimmer of hope that a peaceful solution may yet be found to the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush told the world body that an Iraqi move from Kuwait could bring the opportunity to permanently resolve ancient disputes over territory, money and oil. And he made a reference to- quoting now- ''the conflict that divides the Arabs from Israel.''

Iraq pledged today to release nine French hostages... but didn't say when they'd be able to leave or how they would do so. A spokesman for French President Mitterrand confirmed the release would take place, but insisted there had been NO negotiations between Paris and Baghdad. The official Iraqi News Agency said President Saddam Hussein ordered the release.

The U-S Supreme Court refused today to become involved in the question of whether New York City violated the constitutional rights of some 10-thousand corrections officers by ordering random drug testing. A trial court ruled that the directive violated the constitutional protection against unreasonable search and seizure. But an appeals court and the state's highest court upheld the tests. .

The Supreme Court has decided NOT to get involved in a First Amendment dispute over parts of a British television documentary shown in the United States. The dispute involves the international child- custody battle over Hilary Foretich, discovered earlier this year living in New Zealand. The contested program segment included the child discussing alleged sexual abuse by her father, a charge the father denies. The child's mother spent 25 months in jail in 1987 rather than allow the father his court-approved visitation rights.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - A young Brooklyn man who passed out baseball bats to a group of white youths turned them into an armed mob that attacked and killed a black teenager in Bensonhurst the summer of l989, the prosecutor in the case charged Monday.

In his opening statements in state Supreme Court in Brooklyn, Assistant District Attorney Douglas Nadjari described how Charles Stressler, 22, brought the bats to the neighborhood ''to be used against an army of bad guys that never was.''

Stressler, an iron worker, is charged with second-degree murder and first- and

second-degree manslaughter in the fatal shooting of 16-year- old Yusuf Hawkins Aug. 23, 1989.

Hawkins and three friends had come into the predominantly white neighborhood to look at a used car and were mistaken for a group of whites and Hispanics rumored to be looking for trouble.

The mob of youths attacked the four and Hawkins was shot dead in the melee. Stressler's trial is the third stemming from Hawkins's murder.

The first two defendants in the case, Keith Mondello and Joseph Fama, both 19, stood trial before different juries last spring.

Fama was convicted May 17 of second-degree murder for shooting Hawkins. Mondello, who prosecutors portrayed as the ringleader in the attack, was cleared May 18 of manslaughter charges but convicted of riot, unlawful imprisonment, menacing, discrimination and weapons possession.

A fourth man, John Vento, 22, was acquitted of an intentional murder charge June 3, but the jury failed to reach a verdict on a second murder charge, and a mistrial was declared.

Monday, Justice Thaddeus Owens ruled Vento's trial would begin Oct. 9.

In his opening arguments, Nadjari told the jury of six men and six women that part of the evidence would include a videotaped statement from Stressler, as well as testimony from another youth who helped him carrying the bats to a nearby playground.

Nadjari said Stressler knew that Fama had a gun.

''He continued to participate in this foul enterprise knowing that Fama had a gun and that he would shoot someone,'' he said.

In his opening statement, Stressler's attorney, Jack Evseroff, told the jury that ''the scenario is quite different,'' explaining he ''was merely a witness to the tragic shooting.''

Evseroff said Stressler and his friends ''were responding to what we used to call in Brooklyn a 'territorial imperative,''' and merely feared their neighborhood would be attacked by strangers looking for trouble.

He admitted that Stressler brought a box of baseball bats to the playing field near the shooting, but said Stressler only intented their use ''in case anyone was attacked,'' and also to play baseball later that night.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - The San Diego Padres, looking to fill the void left by the dismissal of Jack McKeon, are set to name Joe McIlvaine of the New York Mets their general manager.

The Padres said no announcement would be forthcoming Monday, but the move is expected by the Mets, who were eliminated from pennant contention Sunday.

''I don't think we're going to really (announce) anything because everybody really knows,'' a Mets spokeswoman said.

Last week, after McKeon's firing as general manager, The New York Times reported McIlvaine would take the San Diego job.

McIlvaine, 42, is the Mets' vice president of basebal operations. He has spent 10 years with club and helped form the management troika with General Manager Frank Cashen and business manager Al Harazin.

''He's the only one of the three who knows the game,'' one Mets player said. ''And the way they make decisions around here, it'll probably take a year before they decide on a replacement. It's scary.''

The move comes at a time with the Mets facing the possible loss of star outfielder Darryl Strawberry to free agency. The task of finding a replacement would have fallen to McIlvaine. Now the assumption is McIlvaine could be bidding against the Mets for the slugging right fielder.

The Padres, predicted to win the National League West, struggled all season despite the addition of RBI producer Joe Carter. McKeon stepped down as manager in July and was replaced by Greg Riddoch.

San Diego entered Monday night's game tied for fourth in the NL West, 15 games behind division champion Cincinnati.

McIlvaine, who previously scouted for the Brewers, Angels and Orioles, is credited for supplying the Mets with much of the talent that has produced the major leagues' winningest team since 1984 and a World Series title in 1986.

His strength is judging young talent and making good trades. During his tenure the Mets obtained pitchers Ron Darling, Sid Fernandez, David Cone, Frank Viola, Bob Ojeda, John Franco and outfielder Kevin McReynolds. Dwight Gooden was drafted in 1982 while McIlvaine was scouting director.

His biggest blunder was the disastrous 1989 trade of center fielder Lenny Dykstra and relief pitcher Roger McDowell to Philadelphia for Juan Samuel.

This season, he made an excellent waiver pickup in center fielder Daryl Boston which helped ease the sting of the Dykstra trade. For the stretch drive, the

Mets made three solid acquisitions - catcher Charlie O'Brien, second baseman Tommy Herr and outfielder Pat Tabler.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 1) UPI - Soviet churches won the right Monday to establish their own schools and engage in charity work in the final passage of a broad-based religious bill ending seven decades of state atheism.

But members of the Supreme Soviet, in two separate votes, rejected proposals to allow religious services in the military and to permit state classrooms to be used for religious instruction after normal school hours.

Deputies, tackling fundamental political issues after weeks of debate on economic reform, also began final consideration of a measure to end the Communist Party's monopoly rule, which both the party and the legislature have already endorsed in principle.

Despite not getting everything he wanted, Patriarch Aleksii II, head of the Russian Orthodox Church, praised the new law ''On Freedom of Conscience and Religious Organziations'' as a major step in the church's rebirth.

''Until now, we have lived according to the law on religious organizations of 1929,'' Aleksii said. ''It was a long and difficult road to arrive at this (new) law. It is a great event in the spiritual renovation of society and church.''

''For the first time, the (national) law gives the church the possibility of engaging in extensive charity work and bringing up children of all ages in the spirit of morality and faith,'' the prelate said.

The law for the first time officially separates church and state. It also definitively ends the Soviet Union's promotion of atheism as state policy in a turn as momentous as the Communist Party's surrendering of its constitutional guarantee to one-party rule in February and the planned transition to a market economy.

Known as Holy Russia when it was ruled by the czars because of of its support for the Russian Orthodox Church, the country became an officially godless state after the Communists took over in November 1917. The church was subordinated to rigid Communist control.

But the new law specifically prohibits the state from financing religious organizations and atheistic propaganda. Such funding gave birth over the years to museums of atheism across the country, and their future is now in doubt.

Under Vladimir Lenin, founder of the Soviet state, churches and monasteries

were converted into warehouses and garages. Lenin's successor, Josef Stalin closed thousands of churches in the countryside and melted down the church bells to break the will of peasants as part of the collectivization of agriculture.

Religious zealots and priests who did not submit to official tutelage from the secular organizations filled the Gulag labor camps well into the 1970s.

Under President Mikhail Gorbachev, all churches and religions have enjoyed a resurgence. The Russian Orthodox Church, the dominant religion, has reopened hundreds of churches, and, even without the just- passed legislation, churchmen resumed charity work while officials looked aside.

Although the deputies adopted the law on religion in principle last Wednesday by a vote of 344-1, they did not hammer out the details that explain what the legislation specifically guarantees and forbids.

On Monday, the deputies, voting clause by clause, dropped from the bill a provision allowing religious services in the army. The vote was 303-33 with 46 abstentions. They also struck away, by a 279-27 vote, an article permitting classrooms to be used for after-school religious teaching if parents or religious bodies requested it.

Roy Medvedev, one of the former triad of great dissidents along with Andrei Saharov and Alexander Solzhenitsyn and now a respected legislator, told the Parliament that, as a former school director, he opposed the removal of the classroom provision.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court opened its 1990-91 term Monday by agreeing to decide if civil rights laws cover U.S. firms and workers overseas and if the ailing savings and loan industry can take certain tax deductions worth millions of dollars.

The court, which was still awaiting confirmation of its ninth justice, also accepted cases concerning taxing cigarettes sold on Indian reservations and police officers' use of physical restraint on criminal suspects.

But the court refused to become involved in significant cases involving drug testing, interracial adoption rights, AIDS in the military and the separation of church and state.

The term began on the traditional first Monday of October with New Hampshire federal appeals court Judge David Souter waiting in the wings as the Senate prepares for a confirmation vote. Souter would replace Justice William Brennan the leader of the court's liberal faction who retired this summer after 33

years.

At 10 a.m., the court announced it had agreed the hear 25 cases out of nearly 1,300 requests for review.

Chief Justice William Rehnquist, who often differed sharply with Brennan, read a proclamation praising Brennan for his service and ''profound influence upon American constitutional law.''

The eight justices then began hearing oral arguments in the court's first cases of the term, those carried over from last term.

Arguments are scheduled this week in major cases involving school desegregation and punitive damages, making the timing of the ninth justice's confirmation and seating on the bench critical. Only justices eligible to hear oral arguments normally participate in deciding the outcome of a case.

Souter is expected to be confirmed by the full Senate this week but likely would not be seated on the bench before week's end at the earliest.

In major action Monday, the court agreed to decide if civil rights laws cover U.S. companies and their employees operating overseas.

The case involves Ali Boureslan, a naturalized American citizen born in Lebanon, who claims he was discriminated against by Aramco Service Co. while working in Saudi Arabia.

Boureslan claims his supervisor subjected him to a ''campaign of harassment,'' including racial, religious and ethnic slurs culminating in his firing June 16 1984. He brought suit under Title 7 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Federal courts dismissed the suit, stating the Civil Rights Act does not ''extend its reach beyond our borders.''

The high court also agreed to decide a technical but potentially crucial issue for many financially ailing thrifts - whether they can deduct millions of dollars as losses by essentially swapping mortgage loans of near identical value.

The decision could affect at least five cases currently before the court and dozens of other savings and loans nationwide.

At issue is a 1980 memorandum by the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, which appeared to legalize the mortgage loan exchanges as a cost-cutting step.

The IRS challenged the legality of the directive, but federal appeals courts split on the question, bringing it to the high court.

The court also agreed to determine what constitutes a violation of privacy when a law enforcement officer uses physical restraint against a person to seize suspected illegal property.

The court will hear arguments on the case brought by the state of California. Lawyers for the state argued a lower court erred in reversing the drug conviction of a juvenile by finding that police illegally detained the youth.

In cases involving Indians, the court agreed to decide whether Oklahoma may collect state taxes on cigarettes sold at an Indian tribe's convenience store. The state contends an appeals court erred when it ruled the Citizen Potawatomi Indian Tribe is immune from taxation, even for products sold to non-Indians.

And in a case that originated in Alaska, the court agreed to decide if Indian tribes have the legal right to sue states in federal court, a right normally confined to the U.S. government.

In other action, the court:

-Let stand a ruling that members of the military who test positive for the AIDS virus can be court-martialed for not telling prospective sex partners about their condition.

-Refused to step into a dispute to decide whether state agencies may consider race as a factor in making adoption placement decisions. A Kentucky couple claimed the state excluded them from adopting a child because they are white and the child is of mixed race.

-Declined to review a ruling involving a Southern Baptist seminary forced to award a divinity degree in marital counseling to a minister who allegedly beat his wife.

-Refused to review the constitutionality of a New York City directive requiring random drug testing of 10,000 city corrections officers.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 1) UPI - The first leukemia patient to undergo an experimental umbilical cord blood transplant is doing well, indicating the therapy may someday prove useful for cancer, AIDS and other diseases, doctors said Monday.

Seven weeks ago, Michael Sancilio, 4, of Virginia Beach, Va., who suffered from a rare, deadly form of leukemia, received about 6 tablespoons of umbilical cord blood collected from his baby sister at birth.

The procedure was similar to the bone marrow transplants often used to give

leukemia patients new, cancer-free bone marrow, but spared Michael's infant sister the risks of anesthesia used when bone marrow is harvested.

Michael is believed to be the first leukemia patient in the world to be treated by an umbilical blood cord transplant, said Dr. John Wagner, who directed the procedure at The Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Four other children - three in France and one in the United States - have undergone similar transplants for a blood disorder called Fanconi's anemia since 1988. The transplants began after researchers discovered umbilical cord blood was rich in stem cells, young cells that multiply and make up bone marrow.

Wearing a Washington Redskins cap, bib overalls and a surgical mask to guard against infection, Michael quietly sat between his parents Monday at a news conference to outline his progress.

''He's done very well,'' Wagner said. ''There were no significant complications whatsoever.''

However, the doctor cautioned that, as in bone marrow transplant patients, it will be at least two years before it is known if the leukemia has been eliminated from the child.

''We certainly hope he's been cured of the disease, but we can't tell you for sure,'' Wagner said.

The child's father, Tony Sancilio, said the only difficulty has been persuading the 4-year-old to take his medications, which include drugs to prevent tissue rejection and antibiotics to ward off infection.

''We know Michael has a long way to go. But at this point, we are very confident,'' Sancilio said.

The boy, who was diagnosed with juvenile chronic myelogenous leukemia in April probably would have died within a year unless he received a new supply of bone marrow.

His parents and older brother were not compatible bone marrow donors, so doctors collected blood from the umbilical cord and placenta of his baby sister, Christina, when she was born in June. The baby proved to be a good donor match for Michael, and so her blood was infused into the sick boy, whose cancer-infested marrow was deliberately destroyed with high doses of drugs.

Doctors expected stem cells from the cord blood to travel into Michael's bones and begin forming cancer-free marrow. The boy's white blood cell count - an indicator of marrow growth - currently is about the same level as children who have undergone successful bone marrow transplants, Wagner said.

''This is a breakthrough because of the potential for umbilical cord blood as a another source of bone marrow stem cells,'' Wagner said. ''Perhaps cord blood may become a widely available source of stem cells for people who otherwise might not have them.''

Currently, patients who need bone marrow transplants must either locate a relative who has a close match, go to a donor bank in hopes of finding a close match or take a chance at a mismatched transplant.

In addition to leukemia, bone marrow transplants are being used experimentally to reconstitute the immune systems of cancer and adult AIDS patients who have received massive doses of chemotherapy in hopes of wiping out their disease.

It is not known if blood from one baby's umbilical cord would contain enough stem cells to reconstitute an adult's bone marrow, Wagner said. But he speculated it may be possible to stimulate the cells to multiply.

Another possible use of umblical cord blood may be in gene therapy experiments for inherited blood diseases, Wagner said. Researchers might be able to correct gene defects in cells taken from a sick child's blood sample, rather than subjecting them to bone marrow harvesting.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 1) UPI - Harris Bankcorp. Inc. on Monday completed its $16.7 million acquisition of Frankfort Bancshares Inc., which owns 89 percent of the Frankfort State Bank of Franfort, Ill.

A Harris spokesman said the holding company - parent of Harris Trust and Savings Bank - plans to acquire the remaining 11 percent of Frankfort State Bank common stock later.

Frankfort State Bank, located in northeastern Will County, had assets of $92 million and total deposits of $83 million as of June 30.

The purchase brings to 12 the number of Chicago-area community banks acquired by Harris Bankcorp since 1982.

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KIEV, Ukraine, U.S.S.R. (OCT. 1) UPI - A reported 200,000 people marched through the city Monday to demand independence for the Ukraine and the transfer of all enterprises from central Soviet control to their workers.

But labor activists' call for a general strike to push the nationalist demands

went largely unheeded, with only scattered walkouts reported in Kiev and other parts of the large republic.

Strike organizers said that managers at three huge plants in Kiev, each of which employs 10,000 to 15,000 people, gave their workers the day off to defuse the planned labor protest.

Workers walked off the job at only several dozen small enterprises in Kiev and a limited number of factories elsewhere in the republic, according to members of the strike committee and the Rukh nationalist organizatin.

But demonstrators gathered in Kiev to support the general strike, chanting ''Ukraine without Moscow'' as they flooded through their key republic's capital under a sea of banners splashed with the nationalist colors of yellow and blue.

The Ukrainian news agency Ratau said at least 200,000 protesters marched through Kiev in a rally that grew in size as it crossed the city of 2.6 million people.

While the demonstrators filled the streets of Kiev, deputies in the Ukrainian Supreme Soviet met in closed session for discussion of measures to implement the legislature's July 16 declaration of sovereignty.

The general strike was called to demand that the giant Ukraine take control of all factories on its territory and conclude no agreements with Moscow, prohibit Ukrainian draftees from serving in the Soviet army and shut down the Chernobyl nuclear power plant.

The No. 4 reactor at Chernobyl exploded in April 1986 in history's worst nuclear power accident, but the plant's other three units subsequently resumed operation.

The affected region of the northern Ukraine and nearby areas of the Byelorussian and Russian republics have continued to be plagued by the aftereffects of the catastrophe's radiation release.

The nationalists also demanded that the Soviet government make good on the promises it made in July 1989 to end nationwide coal strikes. The Donbass region, in the heart of the Ukraine, is the largest coal field in the world's No. 1 coal producer.

Mikhail Volynko, an organizer of the Donbass coal strikes last year, said the miners in his region had not intended to join the general strike Monday.

The protesters also urged the denationalization of all Communist Party property and the withholding of Ukrainian products from the rest of the Soviet Union.

The Ukraine, with a population of 52 million, is the country's industrial heartland and agricultural bread basket.

Deputies in the Ukrainian Parliament voted to consider the demonstrators' demands and have them read out at the legislative session.

In a break with past practice, the parliamentary meeting was not broadcast on Ukrainian radio. But the session was piped into the Ratau news agency's Kiev offices, where monitoring indicated stormy debate.

''We want to have a sovereign economy in order to pull the Ukraine from economic crisis,'' lawmaker Igor Yukhnozsky told other deputies. ''We are for a market economy. The commands from Moscow for our economic system have not worked. We should find our own system for the Ukraine.''

Yukhnozsky belongs to the radical Democratic Bloc, which claims 130 members in the 449-seat Ukrainian Parliament. The Communist Party has 239 deputies, but some of them are liberals who voted for the July sovereignty declaration.

In the sovereignty proclamation, the republic claimed the right to issue Ukrainian citizenship, mint its own money and form an independent army. The declaration was among the most radical of the sovereignty or independence acts that 13 of the Soviet Union's 15 republics have passed this year in their battle against central control.

The Soviet Parliament is currently mired in disagreement over whether to adopt a radical economic plan that would devolve virtually all economic powers to the republics or a more cautious reform program that calls for retaining substantial control in Moscow.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - A group of leading economists Monday assailed the agreement to slash the federal budget by $500 billion over five years and warned the pact fails to confront America's fundamental fiscal problems.

They also said ''the U.S. economy has stopped growing.''

''No one can be heartened or encouraged by months of negotiations that concentrate on the least important aspects of fiscal policy, and after much labor, produce little substantive improvement,'' the Shadow Open Market Committee said.

The economists cited these major concerns:

-Substantial tax increases.

-The effects on savings and investment.
-Marginal cuts in spending growth.
-Inadequate reform of the budget process.

''It's a lot of the old smoke and mirrors,'' said Mickey Levy, a member of the panel and an economist at CRT Government Securities in New York.

The group follows the activities of the Federal Reserve Board's influential Federal Open Market Committee, which sets interest rate conditions, and also comments on other aspects of the economy.

''Congressional leaders and the administration labored long and produced little,'' the economists said. They said the congressmen ''should not now compound their failure'' by pushing for easier credit.

''Monetary policy is not a substitute for fiscal policy,'' the group said.

The economists doubt the United States is in ''for a deep and long recession '' said Jerry Jordan, a member of the committee and a chief economist at First Interstate Bancorp in Los Angeles.

But Jordan said a mild or moderate recession, or possibly and extended period of extremely slow growth, are possible in the months ahead.

''The U.S. economy has stopped growing,'' the economists said. ''Some sectors and regions were contracting before the Middle East crisis. Whether or not a 'recession' is declared to have begun is of little importance.

''Monetary policy has been a major factor in bringing the economy to this point, but the risk of a decline in real activity has been heightened by recent increases in the price of oil,'' in the wake of the Iraq crisis, they said.

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ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (OCT. 1) UPI - Ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto, campaigning Monday for re-election, told supporters that her enemies ''tried to gang up on me'' but ended up bickering over who would replace her.

Bhutto's campaign tour came as a leading army official warned of a plot to create widespread disturbances across Pakistan. Critics of the military have alleged the army would use such an excuse to prevent the Oct. 24 elections.

Bhutto, fired Aug. 6 by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, staged a whistle-stop tour of 10 villages near the capital and then attended a two-hour rally in Kahuta, the town where her father established a nuclear research facility in the 1970s.

The ousted prime minister, who brought along a crowd of 3,000 cheering supporters in 100 buses, ridiculed her opponents during the rally in Kahuta, a township near Islamabad that is off limits to foreigners.

''Everyone is posing as the next prime minister and trying to stop the other from even getting elected to the Assembly,'' Bhutto said. ''All of them had tried to gang up on me but fell out over the question of leadership.''

Bhutto, whose government was accused of nepotism and corruption by the president, told her supporters she is confident of re-election and vowed that she would ''restart development activities from where we left off.''

Since her government's dismissal, Bhutto has been charged with corruption in special courts set up by Khan to investigate allegations against her administration. If convicted of any of the counts, she could be barred from politics for seven years.

Bhutto has denied any wrongdoing, and her Pakistan People's Party has challenged in court the constitutionality of the president's actions. In addition, she is campaigning for office in the Oct. 24 elections called by Khan when he dismissed the government.

Bhutto's election tour came as Gen. Mirza Aslam Beg, the army chief of staff, warned that authorities have uncovered a plot to cause turmoil across the country, Radio Pakistan reported.

''These miscreants had planned to cause trouble all over the country, but their focus was on the province of Sind in particular,'' he said.

Unabated ethnic violence in Sind Province, Bhutto's home region, was one of the causes of her downfall, but many critics of the prime minister's dismissal have predicted that the military will create some incident to prevent the new elections.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - World oil prices fell as much as $2 a barrel in early trading Monday after a quiet weekend in the Middle East and the prospect Congress will release more oil from the U.S. reserve.

In midday trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery dropped $2.11 from Friday's close to $37.42 a barrel.

Unleaded gasoline for November delivery was down 4.25 cents to 94.4 cents a gallon, while November home heating oil had fallen 3.42 cents to $1.025 a

gallon.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was off $1.15 to $39.65 a barrel.

United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - had plunged $1.20 to $34.15 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt delivery WTI was down $1.65 to $37.85 a barrel.

Since the start of the Persian Gulf crisis after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, traders have been in the habit of moving heavily to sell positions on Friday for fear a war will break out over the weekend.

''Just the fact nothing happened over the weekend, plus the fact (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein made more peaceful statements, plus the possible approval by Congress of the release of 15 million barrels of crude from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve is moving the market down,'' said Tom Bentz, trading director of United Energy Inc. in New York.

''That's been the pattern for Monday's - we relax after Friday's rumors of a war starting over the weekend,'' said James Steel of Refco Inc. in New York.

The downward move, however was seen by Bentz as ''only a temporary correction in the market.''

Saddam said Sunday Iraq would seek to open discussions with France on the basis of settlement terms French President Francois Mitterrand offered last week in a U.N. speech.

Mitterrand said all the issues brought up by Saddam, including demands for a Palistinian homeland, could be discussed once Iraq withdrew from occupied Kuwait.

The official Iraqi News Agency Monday said Saddam had ordered nine French hostages released and said they could ''leave Iraq together with a delegation of the French-Iraqi friendship society'' now in Baghdad.

Last week, the oil market only shrugged when President Bush announced he would utilize the power of new legislation to release 5 million barrels of crude to test the nation's reserve.

Congress is now expected to approve the release of 15 million barrels after Energy Secretary James Watkins testified Thursday that 5 million barrels was not sufficient to test the system.

Analysts have said such a release would be enough to affect prices on oil

markets.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - Against the background of war drums in the Persian Gulf, President Bush today hailed the global condemnation of Iraq for invading Kuwait. Bush told the U-N General Assembly that the United States will continue, for now, to rely on economic sanctions to compel Saddam Hussein to back down. .

In Baghdad, Iraq today further raised hopes that it wants to pursue a French peace proposal. The official Iraqi News Agency says Saddam has ordered the release of nine French hostages and said they could leave Iraq. The French government estimates that some 350 French nationals are being detained against their will by Saddam.

It's now up to Congress to keep the threat of a massive government shutdown from taking place next Monday. President Bush and top congressional leaders reached agreement yesterday on a radical five- year, 500-BILLION-dollar cut in the federal deficit. Now they must sell it to Congress, which must approve it without changes by Friday.

Israel says it will distribute gas masks to all its citizens starting next week. But the government denies that the decision is a response to any increased threat of chemical attack from Iraq. Even before it invaded Kuwait, Iraq had threatened to wipe out half of Israel with chemical weapons if Israel attacked Iraq or any other Arab nation.

West Germany's Christian Democratic party today merged with its smaller East German sister party... forming the most powerful political grouping in Germany. The merger comes two days before German unification and is a personal triumph for West German Chancellor Kohl, who was elected to the chancellorship eight years ago today.

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#90274u1552 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 1) UPI - The U-S Supreme Court refused today to review the case of Clarence Brandley, a black man freed after nearly a decade on the Texas Death Row in what many called a case of racial injustice. The court's refusal to hear the case appeared to ensure that Brandley won't be retried in the 1980 rape-murder of Cheryl Dee Fergeson. .

The high court also let stand a ruling that members of the military who test positive for the AIDS virus can be ordered to tell prospective sex partners about their condition. The case stems from the 1988 court- martial of an Air Force enlisted man for disobeying a ''safe sex'' order from a military doctor.

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In a case involving the banking industry's move into non-traditional financial services, the Supreme Court let stand a ruling that permits banks to sell insurance. The court refused to hear the case brought by a number of insurance trade groups and companies that challenged a Federal Reserve Board decision to permit banks to expand into new areas.

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#90274u1558 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 1) UPI - Elements of the 101st Airborne Division honed urban warfare skills in the rubble of an abandonded oasis village Monday skills that could be used to liberate Kuwait City or defend Saudi Arabian towns.

With hand signals, shouts and even grunts, riflemen worked their way through rooms, diving through windows and bursting through doors.

To the east, elements of the 101st's artillery units went through their own set of drills, in case they were called upon to back Saudi and Gulf Cooperation Council forces deployed ahead of them.

These forces are the northernmost deployed U.S. combat troops in Saudi Arabia, although liaison teams to help coordinate military activities are posted further forward with Arab forces.

Their precise location, size and composition may not be disclosed under rules governing coverage of operation Desert Shield.

In addition to practicing urban warfare tactics, Col. Greg Giles, the commander of task force Strike, said the men had been studying pocket cards of Arabic phrases in case they did battles with Iraqi troops - phrases such as ''hands up,'' ''lie down,'' and the like.

The remote site at the oasis, Giles said, allowed the men to train away from bases near more populated areas, lessening any chances of a terrorist attack, something constantly on the minds of commanders, although they would not discuss any specific warnings.

The artillery men practiced unhitching, aiming and firing their 105 mm Howitzers, weapons both towed behind trucks and airlifted by helicopters.

They were flanked by air defense teams armed with Stinger surface-to- air missiles.

Some were clearly bored at only having training exercises.

''We're stuck out here with nothing to do. If we got the word to go in (battle), we'd be so happy,'' said Spec. 4 Sean Edwards, of St. Louis, Minn.

''All anyone wants to do is get home in one piece,'' said Spec. 4 John Hilton of Springfield, Va. ''... I hope we can do it without too many people getting hurt.

''We're aware this is for real. This is no time for messing around. You've got to be ready,'' he said.

The 101st was in the news when 248 of its soldiers died in a December 1985 plane crash at Gander, Newfoundland, as they returned for Christmas from Middle East peacekeeping duties.

The oasis site was fitting for the 101st, nicknamed the ''Screaming Eagles,'' for the outfit had a base in Vietnam called Oasis. Also, the area U.S. troops have been assigned to protect in Saudi Arabia is called OASIS.

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#90274u1560 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

GROTON, Conn. (OCT. 1) UPI - The nation's major builder of submarines Monday announced the layoff of 582 workers and warned of more job reductions next month because of cuts in defense spending.

The layoffs were less than the 4 percent to 5 percent forecast Sept. 12 by the Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics Corp., the sole producer of the Navy's Trident submarine fleet.

The cutback in the company's work force of 23,000 included 415 salaried employees and 167 hourly workers who were given 60-day notices, said spokesman Neil Reunzel.

''The actual figure is somewhat less then expected as a result of attrition and a hiring freeze implemented earlier this year,'' he said.

Ruenzel warned, however, further layoffs could result in November, depending on the finalizing of the government's defense budget for the fiscal year that began Monday.

Electric Boat is the sole builder of the Navy's Trident submarines. However, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney earlier this year halted the planned production of one of two Tridents.

Electric Boat also has a contract to build the prototype of the Seawolf, the nation's next generation submarine.

The shipyard's job reductions came on the heels of a budget settlement between

President Bush and Congress which calls for military cuts of $10 billion in the next year and up to $180 billion in five years.

Ruenzel said the company has set up meetings to provide the laid off workers with specific services, benefits and options available.

''An array of services has been put in place to provide them with the support and skills they'll need to find new jobs,'' said Ruenzel.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 1) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	79.85	80.45	79.70	80.17	79.05
Dec	77.45	77.95	77.10	77.45	76.45
Feb	75.30	76.17	75.25	75.50	74.70
Apr	76.00	76.40	75.75	75.90	75.05
Jun	73.45	73.90	73.25	73.40	72.85
Aug	71.70	72.15	71.70	71.75	71.22
Oct	72.00	72.40	71.80	71.80	71.32

Est. sales 16,118 contracts; Friday 12,118; open interest 66,121 off 335.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	87.50	88.47	87.50	88.12	86.97
Nov	86.70	87.45	86.70	87.10	85.95
Jan	85.20	86.35	85.20	86.22	84.85
Mar	83.75	84.65	83.75	84.00	83.15
Apr	82.95	83.82	82.95	83.25	82.32
May	82.25	83.10	82.25	82.60	81.65

Est. sales 1,723 contracts; Friday 1,522; open interest 11,617 up 200.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	56.32	56.32	56.32	56.32	54.82
Dec	54.20	54.20	54.20	54.20	52.70
Feb	51.35	51.35	51.35	51.35	49.85
Apr	48.02	48.02	48.02	48.02	46.52
Jun	51.35	51.35	51.35	51.35	49.85
Jly	51.00	51.45	51.00	51.45	49.95
Aug	49.70	50.20	49.70	50.20	48.70
Oct	45.95	45.97	45.95	45.94	44.47

Est. sales 721 contracts; Friday 6,016; open interest 25,765 off 300.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	60.20	60.20	60.20	58.20	60.20
Mar	60.07	60.07	60.07	60.07	58.07
May	60.67	60.67	60.67	60.67	58.67
Jly	60.52	60.52	60.52	60.52	58.52

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CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Monday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 123.61 down 6 cents, 700-850 lbs. 123.53 down 5 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 116.89 up 7 cents, 700-850 lbs. 116.34 up 5 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins were not tested; skinned hams firm-1.00 higher; seedless bellies higher in thin test-4.00 higher; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 82.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 99.00- 100.00, 20-26 lbs. 99.00-100.00, 32 lbs. and up 90.50; bellies 12-14 lbs. 68.00, 14-16 lbs. 68.00- 00.00, 16-18 lbs. 66.00.

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NEW YORK (UPI-FNNPRO) - Unisys Corp. is likely to suspend payments of its common stock dividend until the third quarter of 1991 as the ailing computer manufacturer is restructuring, computer industry analyst Peter Labe said Monday.

The Blue Bell, Pa., computer manufacturer last week said it was suspending payments on its common stock dividends and forecasted a loss for the third quarter.

''They are doing the right thing,'' said Labe, of Labe, Simpson. ''The demand for computers in Europe has been lower than expected and there were other factors, including the weakening economy.''

Labe said Unisys could suspend payment on its dividends until the third quarter of 1991. He did not rule out the possibility Unisys might also suspend payments on its preferred stock.

''I can see Unisys resuming paying dividends late next year, but at a much lower level,'' he said.

The computer manufacturer Monday unveiled its Integrated Information Environment software platform which it hopes will help increase revenues by widening its client base.

The Unisys open systems platform is designed to answer a growing demand from business users for networking solutions that allow them to use simultaneously computing equipment from different makers, as well as different categories from large mainframes to individual stations.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Energy Department said Monday it plans to permanently cease nuclear weapons production activities at its uranium processing plant near Fernald, Ohio, and focus all efforts on environmental cleanup.

Deputy Energy Secretary Henson Moore told reporters that Energy Secretary James Watkins had decided there is no further need for uranium-metal products from Fernald, which has been shut down since July 1989 due to safety problems.

''He (Watkins) has made the decision that it will never produce again,'' Moore said. ''He is making permanent what's been a de facto (shutdown) for a year.''

After the session with reporters, department officials clarified Moore's statement, saying the department has not completed a study on whether weapons production at Fernald should cease permanently. They said the study would be finished in January 1991, at which time they expected the decision to halt production would be finalized.

As part of the shutdown, Moore said management responsibility for Fernald operations would be shifted to Leo Duffy, director of the department's Office of Environmental Restoration and Waste Management. Fernald is currently under the department's Office of Defense Programs.

Moore said Fernald would be maintained in ''cold standby'' operating condition in the event of a national security emergency that required resumed production. However, he said the department is planning to meet any future uranium metal production needs through contracts with private companies.

Before the 1989 shutdown, Fernald, located near Cincinnati, processed uranium into metal parts for use in nuclear weapons production reactors that generate radioactive materials needed for atomic warheads.

Over four decades of operations, poor emission control and waste disposal practices at Fernald have released large amounts of radioactive uranium dust and other pollutants into the environment, contaminating nearby ground water supplies.

Moore said cleanup operations would provide Fernald workers with a mission for ''a long time'' and that no layoffs of the plant's 790 workers are planned. He said 75 percent of the facility's work force already is engaged in cleanup activities.

Duffy said production is no longer needed from Fernald because the department has stockpiled a two-year supply of uranium metal in anticipation of a

shutdown.

He also noted demand for processed uranium had been vastly reduced because none of the department's weapons reactors have been operating for more than a year due to safety problems.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Gold futures closed 1, 590 to 1,930 points lower Monday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	397.00	397.50	386.50	386.60	402.50
Dec	402.00	404.00	390.00	391.60	408.10
Feb	406.00	409.00	393.50	395.90	412.60
Apr	411.50	412.80	398.50	399.90	416.80
Jun	416.20	416.80	403.50	404.10	421.30
Aug	420.70	420.70	407.90	407.90	425.50
Oct	424.00	424.00	412.40	412.40	430.30
Dec	429.00	429.00	416.90	416.90	435.10
Feb	435.50	435.50	421.80	421.80	440.30
Apr	439.20	....	....	426.40	445.20
Jun	444.50	....	....	431.50	450.50
Aug	449.80	....	....	436.50	455.80

Open interest: 116,620 off 1,478.

Estimated sales: 70,000 contracts.

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#90274u1600 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 1) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.75 1/2	2.76 1/4	2.67 1/2	2.67 3/4	2.77 3/4
Mar	2.89 1/4	2.90	2.81	2.81 1/4	2.91 1/4
May	2.97 1/2	2.97 1/2	2.89	2.89 1/2	2.99
Jly	3.00	3.00 1/2	2.94	2.94	3.02 3/4
Sep	3.04	3.04	3.00	3.00	3.07 1/4
Dec	3.15	3.15	3.10	3.10	3.15 3/4
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.26 3/4	2.26 3/4	2.22 3/4	2.23	2.28
Mar	2.36	2.36 1/2	2.32 1/4	2.32 3/4	2.37 1/2

May	2.41 1/2	2.42	2.38	2.38 1/4	2.43 1/4
Jly	2.45	2.45 1/2	2.41 1/2	2.42	2.46 1/2
Sep	2.43 3/4	2.44 1/4	2.40 1/4	2.41	2.44 1/4
Dec	2.44 3/4	2.46	2.42 1/2	2.42 3/4	2.46
Mar	2.50	2.50	2.49	2.49	2.51 1/2

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.20 1/4	1.22	1.19	1.19 1/4	1.21
Mar	1.30 3/4	1.32 1/4	1.29 1/2	1.29 1/2	1.31
May	1.37	1.38 3/4	1.36 1/2	1.36 1/2	1.37 3/4
Jly	1.43	1.44 1/2	1.42 3/4	1.42 3/4	1.43 3/4
Sep	....	....	....	1.48	2.48 3/4

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	6.13	6.13	6.04	6.04 1/2	6.17 1/2
Jan	6.28	6.28	6.19	6.19 1/2	6.32 3/4
Mar	6.39	6.40	6.32	6.32 1/2	6.45 1/2
May	6.49 1/2	6.49 1/2	6.41 1/2	6.41 3/4	6.54 1/4
Jly	6.56 1/2	6.57	6.49	6.49 1/2	6.62 1/2
Aug	6.51 1/2	6.51 1/2	6.43 1/2	6.43 1/2	6.55
Sep	6.32 1/2	6.32 1/2	6.23	6.23	6.33
Nov	6.21 1/2	6.21 1/2	6.14 1/2	6.14 1/2	6.24
Jan	....	....	....	6.24 1/2	6.34

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Oct	23.28	23.30	22.70	22.74	23.38
Dec	23.50	23.50	22.97	22.99	23.56
Jan	23.70	23.70	23.28	23.29	23.83
Mar	24.07	24.07	23.73	23.73	24.15
May	24.25	24.25	24.00	24.01	24.39
Jly	24.33	24.33	24.13	24.13	24.50
Aug	24.25	24.25	24.10	24.10	24.45
Sep	24.01	24.03	23.87	24.01	24.30
Oct	23.40	23.40	23.20	23.35	23.72
Dec	23.20	23.30	23.15	23.30	23.45

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	175.90	175.90	173.80	174.30	176.90
Dec	181.50	181.50	179.60	179.90	182.60
Jan	183.50	183.50	181.60	181.80	184.60
Mar	186.00	186.30	184.50	184.80	187.80
May	187.50	187.50	186.00	186.00	189.50
Jly	188.50	189.00	187.30	187.30	190.70
Aug	188.00	188.00	187.00	187.00	189.70
Sep	188.00	188.00	185.00	185.00	187.70
Oct	185.00	185.40	183.50	183.60	187.20
Dec	186.00	186.00	183.50	184.00	186.20

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#90274u1603 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - Former Treasury Secretary Donald Regan, defending the Reagan administration's policies, said Monday that lax supervision - not deregulation - fueled the collapse of the nation's savings and loan industry.

''I believe that the root causes of the S&L debacle, and even the current weakness in the banking industry, are to be found in the regulatory policies this country has followed with respect to banks and thrifts for most of this century,'' Regan told the House Banking Committee, which is examining the causes of the thrift crisis.

The federal bailout of the savings and loan industry is expected to cost taxpayers as much as $500 billion and has evolved into a political weapon in several campaigns.

Regan also launched an attack on Edwin Gray, former chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board. The animosity between the two men is no secret. Gray blames Regan for forcing him out of office. Regan told the panel Gray was an ineffetive regulator.

''In 1985, when I became (White House) chief of staff, I began hearing rumors that this man wasn't paying attention. That he was part of the problem, not part of the solution. I began hearing that he was a front for the industry,'' said Regan, who moved from his job as secretary of treasury to the White House post for President Reagan's second term.

Gray is scheduled to appear before the panel Wednesday.

Much of the hearing was filled with political finger-pointing.

Regan went so far as to pin the foundation of the crisis on the economic policies of the Carter administration, saying the thrift industry was losing money at a ''frightening pace'' at the beginning of the Reagan presidency.

''As the new administration took office in 1981, it was clear that either the basic structure of the thrift industry would have to change or the industry faced inevitable collapse,'' Regan said.

The thrift industry's apparent salvation came one year later with the passage of the Garn-St. Germain Act, which gave thrifts powers closer to those of banks. One of the law's provision allowed thrifts to invest up to 40 percent of their assects in commercial real estate loans.

Several thrift observers say the legislation gave thrifts a much needed boost, but at the same time made savings and loans susceptible to real estate speculators.

''It is obvious that the Reagan administration put much faith in a deregulatory policy which handed the savings and loan industry new powers and a greater array of permissible investments for insured deposits - policies which the high fliers interpreted as a green light for risky ventures that are now costing the taxpayers so heavily,'' said Rep. Henry Gonzalez, D-Texas.

Regan disagreed, however, placing much of the blame for the thrift crisis on ineffective federal regulation.

''The changes in the S&L investment powers authorized by Garn-St Germain did not cause the S&L debacle,'' Regan said. ''Supervision and regulation could have been much more effective, and might have reduced the losses to some degree, but by itself could not have prevented the scope of the problem.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold			
London			
Previous close fix	404.75	off	0.50
Morning fixing	400.00	off	4.75
Afternoon fixing	396.30	off	8.45
Close	396.50	off	8.25
Paris	402.67	off	4.62
Zurich	395.50	off	11.00
Hong Kong	399.375	off	6.475
New York			
Comex spot close	386.60	off	15.90
Republic cash	387.00	off	16.75
Handy and Harman	396.30	off	12.10

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 397.62 off 12.12 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 417.50 off 12.73 per troy ounce.

Silver			
Comex spot close	4.64	off	0.121
Republic cash	4.665	off	0.12

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.665 per fine ounce off 0.115

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.665 off 0.115 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.992 off 0.123

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 435.50 up 2.25 per

troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 535.50 up 2.25.
Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 97.75 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 112.75 off 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90274u1616 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

RENO, Nev. (OCT. 1) UPI - A large high-grade deposit of the industrial mineral wollastonite has been discovered by a Canadian mining firm that was prospecting for gold near Tonopah, the Bureau of Land Management said Monday.

The discovery on BLM land was by the White Plains Resources Corp., of Vancouver, B. C., which estimates the deposit may contain 100 tons of the mineral used as a safe replacement for asbestos and as a filler in ceramic tile, paint and plastics.

The discovery covers 2,100 acres in Central Nevada and is believed to be 20 times larger than the only two wollastonite mines operating in the United States in Essex and Lewis counties in New York. The BLM said these two mines produce more than half of the world's output.

The BLM said White Plains Resources would build a $9 million dollar plant if further exploration drilling and feasibility studies are favorable.

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#90274u1620 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (OCT. 1) UPI - Engineers readied a Delta 2 rocket for a third launch try Monday to boost a $65 million military navigation satellite into space, the ninth in a global network that is proving especially useful in the Persian Gulf.

The 126-foot, blue-and-white Delta 2 was scheduled for liftoff at 5:31 p.m. EDT from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, four days behind schedule because of stormy weather that blocked launch tries Friday and Saturday. Forecasters predicted a 60 percent chance of good weather Monday.

The rocket's payload was a Global Positioning System ''Navstar'' satellite, the ninth in a planned network of such spacecraft that ultimately will allow military forces on the ground, at sea and in the air to determine their location and altitude to within 53 feet anywhere in the world.

The flight plan called for GPS No. 9 to be ejected into a preliminary elliptical orbit about 25 minutes after blastoff. On-board rockets were

scheduled to fire later to boost the satellite into a circular 12-hour orbit 12,500 miles up.

Prior to Monday, the Delta record stood at 20 successes in a row dating back to May 3, 1986, and a perfect 12 straight for the upgraded Delta 2, including five commercial launches.

While the GPS system is not yet complete, officials say it is nonetheless proving especially useful to troops stationed in the Persian Gulf, where maps are not always accurate and where clearly distinguishable landmarks are few and far between.

''That (the GPS system) is proving to be an extra ordinarily valuable resource and the troops in the field are crying for more receivers,'' Lt. Gen. Thomas Morrman Jr., commander of Air Force Space Command, told reporters Monday.

GPS satellites originally were to be launched from NASA's space shuttle.

But after the 1986 Challenger disaster, which grounded the shuttle program for 32 months, the Pentagon embarked on an unprecedented rocket construction program to guarantee independent access to space.

McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co. of Huntington Beach, Calif., was awarded a $316.5 million contract Jan. 21, 1987 to build seven Delta 2s for the GPS program. The contract included options, however, for 13 additional vehicles for a total contract value of $669 million.

The Air Force plans to launch 21 upgraded ''block 2'' GPS satellites - one from a shuttle - to join seven older and less sophisticated ''block 1'' spacecraft already in space.

The satellites are built by Rockwell International's Satellite Systems Division in Seal Beach, Calif., under a $1.2 billion contract.

Eighteen block 2 satellites are required to complete the global navigation network. Three of the 21 bound for orbit will serve as spares with another seven available on the ground for launch as needed.

Additional satellites are planned and through the end of the century, the GPS program is expected to run some $8.5 billion.

Equipped with sensitive atomic clocks, four such satellites will be ''visible'' at any given time from anywhere on Earth. Military forces on the ground, at sea or in the are will be able to use radio signals from the satellites to pinpoint their locations to within about 53 feet.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 3 points higher to 1 point lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	10.10	10.33	9.97	10.13	10.11
May	10.12	10.34	10.01	10.15	10.13
Jly	10.13	10.32	10.02	10.15	10.16
Oct	10.13	10.33	10.05	10.18	10.15

Estimated sales: 21,247 contracts

Open interest: 104,734 up 211

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.16

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 4 to 11 points higer.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.40	23.45	23.39	23.45	23.40
Jan	23.13	23.19	23.14	23.19	23.14
Mar	23.12	23.16	23.12	23.16	23.11
May	23.18	23.22	23.22	23.23	23.11
Jly	23.22	23.23	23.22	23.23	23.15
Sep	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.12
Nov	22.94	22.94	22.94	22.94	22.90

Estimated sales: 675 contracts

Open interest: 11,740 off 189

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	360.47	214.09	133.02	20.87	306.05
Opening	362.64	216.37	133.92	21.06	308.00
11 a.m.	361.53	215.89	133.68	20.98	307.10
Noon	366.87	218.17	135.42	21.30	311.56
1 p.m.	368.00	218.48	136.37	21.34	312.64
2 p.m.	368.83	218.39	136.60	21.37	313.29
3 p.m.	368.68	220.26	136.63	21.37	313.24

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#90274u1639 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

LIMA, PERU (OCT. 1) UPI - Inflation in Peru dropped to 13.8 percent from an all-time high of 397 percent in August, the president of the National Institute of Statistics said Monday.

The cost of living rose 11,090 percent in the 12-month period ending Sept. 30, said Felix Murillo, the institute president.

Financial circles consider the sharp fall a sign of success for the free market economic policies of President Alberto Fujimori, who has ended price and foreign exchange controls since taking office July 28.

A recent public opinion poll by the respected Apoyo firm said a majority of Peruvians supports the so-called ''shock'' anti-inflationary plan of Fujimori and his prime minister, Juan Carlos Hurtado Miller, who holds the dual post of economy minister.

The cost of living soared in August to its highest monthly rate in Peruvian history after Fujimori sharply raised the price of gasoline and other public services to close the deficit of state-run companies.

According to Fujimori's economic plan, considered an orthodox approach by international economists, the sharp price hikes were expected to lead to an inflationary surge to be followed by stability, as merchants were forced to reduce prices to accommodate falling demand.

In the final months of the administration of President Alan Garcia inflation deteriorated into ''hyperinflation,'' a rising rate of more than 50 percent a month. Garcia favored price and wage controls, government subsidies to food and gasoline and lavish public spending.

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#90274u1646 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

HAMBURG, West Germany (OCT. 1) UPI - Chanting ''Helmut, Helmut,'' East and West German conservative Christian Democrats merged into a single dominant party Monday under the leadership of Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

''From now on we are one party again, one CDU for all of Germany,'' Kohl told cheering delegates. ''This is a party on its way to victory.''

Kohl voiced the Christian Democratic Union certainty of winning the first all-German elections Dec. 2, a confidence amply supported by voter opinion polls.

Lothar de Maiziere, the prime minister of East Germany, became deputy party chairman.

''The dream of German unity is becoming reality,'' de Maiziere told the CDU congress. ''One man never took his eyes off this goal. For that I thank you, Helmut Kohl.''

The political merger two days before German reunification was effectively a takeover by Kohl's CDU of its smaller East German sister party - the 1,000 delegates consisted of 750 West Germans and 250 East Germans.

The action, carefully timed to coincide with the Oct. 1, 1982, anniversary of Kohl's election to the chancellorship, was a personal triumph for the West German leader, the moving force behind German reunification.

''This is a party on its way to victory,'' Kohl told cheering delegates, who adopted a 16-point Christian Democratic Union manifesto for the first post-unification German elections.

''A vision has become reality, a vision which at our past 37 congresses seemed to be far in the future,'' Kohl said.

Pending the elections, the enlarged party, together with its Free Democrat coalition partner, will have a solid majority in the new single German Parliament, 354 out of a total 663 seats.

The West German CDU began the day Monday with its own annual congress - the 38th - but concluded that meeting after just 75 minutes to get on with the joint merger session with the East German party.

Kohl, 60, was the only candidate for chairman of the united CDU. Delegates nominated de Maiziere as deputy party leader.

The CDU executive presidium was increased from seven to 10 members to accommodate new members from East Germany.

The Eastern party becomes part of the Western party in the same way that the Eastern German Democratic Republic joins West Germany on Wednesday as a single nation, the Federal Republic of Germany.

West German Christian Democrats broke with the East German CDU in 1948 on grounds it was collaborating with the communists.

Kohl, in an address Monday, said there had been ''many tragic and bitter times '' but that Western Christian Democrats had enjoyed freedom ''and should not make judgments or accusations.''

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EAST BERLIN (OCT. 1) UPI - With the pealing of a bell cast in the image of

America's Liberty Bell, divided Germany will become a single, sovereign state for the first time since the Allies crushed and quartered Hitler's Third Reich.

Germany reunifies one moment after midnight Tuesday (7 p.m. EDT), when economically devastated East Germany effectively will be absorbed by the hugely prosperous western Federal Republic.

The East German state - including its army, government and Parliament - will cease to exist almost 41 years after it was founded and declared ''the first state of German workers and farmers on German soil.''

The merger of the Germanys, considered no more than a pipe dream less than a year ago, is the culmination of an astonishing series of events that began late last year with the spontaneous exodus of thousands of East Germans to the West.

Within months, the Communist government had fallen, the hated Berlin Wall was breached and the headlong rush to unification began.

The merger of the German states will lead to wrenching economic, political and social adjustments in both halves of the new nation, but the joy of the moment - not the difficulties of the future - will be the focus Tuesday night.

''We hope to turn the ... stretch from the Brandenburg Gate to the Alexander Platz into a gigantic street festival,'' said Ulrich Zawatka, a spokesman for West Berlin's Department of Culture, speaking of the two historic sites about 2 miles apart.

Berlin has particular cause to celebrate, as the long-divided city will regain its status as Germany's capital amid jubilation by some 3.4 million Berliners and an estimated 1 million visitors.

West Berlin authorities said ''many thousands'' of police and other security forces would be deployed Tuesday night because of fears of violence between dropout leftist ''chaotics'' and neo-Nazi skinheads.

When the black, red and gold flag is hoisted in front of West Berlin's Reichstag, the former German parliament, the postwar map of Europe will change. The Federal Republic of Germany - until now only West Germany - will expand its territory by about one third, to 131,851 square miles and its population will total almost 80 million.

The four Allied powers that defeated Germany in World War II, creating four zones of occupation that became East and West Germany, were making final preparations Monday to surrender their occupation rights and restore full sovereignty to the enlarged Federal Republic of Germany.

The U.S. Command Berlin, with 6,000 troops, announced it was ''formally

inactivated'' Monday, with Maj. Gen. Raymond E. Haddock relieved of his duties as commander of the American sector of the long- divided city.

But the U.S. announcement noted that ''elements of the Berlin Brigade will remain, based on the German request for a U.S. presence.''

Although Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States agreed Sept. 12 to relinquish occupation rights in Germany on unification day, the West German government made clear it wanted the Western allies to remain in Berlin until the planned withdrawal of Soviet troops from East Germany is completed within four years.

The U.S. command said the Allies also will hand over control of Berlin's airspace to Germany, but added, ''The United States will provide personnel to staff these facilities until German technicians become available.''

The four wartime Allies planned a special ceremony in Berlin Tuesday morning to mark the end of their control over the city.

As the Allies prepared to give up their rights, East Germany's 98,000 troops started discarding their uniforms.

For about half of those troops, unification probably also marks the end of their military career. Only about 50,000 of them will be incorporated in the Bundeswehr, the West German armed forces. The last 24 East German generals were relieved of their duties Friday.

A few East German troops will be wearing their new Bundeswehr uniforms when they attend unification celebrations, which also will include the ringing of the ''freedom bell'' - cast in Great Britain, bought with U.S. donations and a copy of Philadelphia's Liberty Bell.

The bell, installed in a tower of the West Berlin city hall, bears the words - in English: ''That this world under God shall have a new birth of freedom.''

At the stroke of midnight Tuesday, the bell will ring as 14 young athletes hoist the German flag on the western lawn of the Reichstag, the former German Parliament building near the Brandenburg Gate.

The main celebrations will take place in the eastern part of the city, cut off from West Berlin Aug. 13, 1961, when Soviet-backed East German troops erected the hated Berlin Wall.

Departing East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere will open official celebrations Tuesday at East Berlin's 19th century Theater House. Tuesday evening, Kurt Masur, the East German conductor of the New York Philarmonic, will lead the Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra and the East German State Opera in a performance of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony.

Wednesday begins with a televised church service from the baroque Marienkirche in East Berlin, followed by a formal state ceremony including a speech by President Richard von Weizsaecker at the concert hall in West Berlin.

Even as the preparations for reunification were completed, political maneuvering for control of the new Germany was under way.

In the West German port of Hamburg, the Christian Democrats of Chancellor Helmut Kohl merged with their smaller East German sister party Monday and adopted a joint manifesto for the first all-German elections, slated for Dec. 2.

The 750 West German and 250 East German delegates chanted ''Helmut, Helmut,'' making it a personal triumph for the 60-year-old Kohl, who at the same time marked the completion of eight years as chancellor.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Sharply higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Higher.

American Stocks - Sharply higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed broadly higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed sharply lower in thin trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Sharply lower.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 2 1/2 to off 5, wheat was off 5 3/4 to off 10, bens were off 9 1/2 to off 13 1/4 and oats were off 3/4 to off 1 3/4.

Cattle Trade - 50 to 75 cents higher; top $78.,75.

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#90274u1687 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 1) UPI - A regional council, under pressure from local

residents concerned about the effects of radiation, declared a ban Monday on nuclear tests at the Soviet Union's primary test site.

The action came as the international environmental group Greenpeace charged that the Soviet Union has had a nuclear device in an underground shaft on the Arctic island of Novaya Zemlya since December in anticipation of testing there.

It was unclear what effect the ban by the Semipalatinsk council in the republic of Kazakstan, about 2,000 miles southeast of Moscow, would have on the national government's test program, but Moscow has been considering closing its prime test site for years.

Hundreds of nuclear tests have been conducted during the past 40 years at the Semipalatinsk test range, mostly underground but with some in the air.

There has been increasing pressure by local residents on the Soviet government to close the test range. The number of tests has declined in recent years during temporary unilateral test bans and plans made to open a new test site.

The official Tass news agency, reporting the decision of the Semipalatinsk regional council in a two-paragraph dispatch, said the tests at Semipalatinsk had subjected more than 500,000 people to ''the harmful effects of radiation.''

Greenpeace said in a telex from a delegation visiting the northern Soviet port of Arkangelsk that a ship carrying environmental activists would sail to Novaya Zemlya on Tuesday in an effort to ensure that a nuclear test is not conducted there.

Greenpeace did not say how it had confirmed that the Soviet Union was planning a nuclear test at Novaya Zemlya.

''We have learned that it (the test) has been postponed several times in the last year,'' Greenpeace coordinator Steve Shallhorn said in the telex. ''Our ship will be sailing to Novaya Zemlya in the hope of stopping nuclear testing forever.''

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CHICAGO (OCT. 1) UPI - Monday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.47-2.72 off 10.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.96 3/4- 6.04 3/4 up 13.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.11-2.23 off 5.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.11-2.23 1/4 to off 5.

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#90274u1718 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 1) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $34 to $41 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.50 to 0.90 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.90 to 1.80 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.06 to 0.73 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $15.90 to $19.30 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $6.30 to $7.30 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.30 cent higher to 0.20 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 12.1 to 14.8 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.003 cent higher to 0.001 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90274u1722 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - Farm-state congressmen Monday unhappily faced the prospect of making huge changes in federal farm programs - a 24 percent cut in spending - although they knew for months that cuts were inevitable.

The budget agreement between the White House and congressional leaders calls for $13 billion in reductions in farm program spending over the next five years. The total was somewhat larger than some congressmen expected but jibed with repeated rumors in the days leading to the agreement.

By comparison, the House and Senate voted last summer for farm policy bills that would spend about $55 billion on farm supports through 1995, or about as much as if current law were unchanged.

For months, agricultural leaders said they would adjust the farm bill once budget negotiators agreed on spending levels. Two weeks ago, for instance,

Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., said ''American agriculture is going to do its share.''

When a compromise finally was unveiled, however, some congressmen and farm groups said it was unfair. Along with the cut in federal support, the package calls for a 10-cent-a-gallon increase in fuel taxes.

Farmers spent from $5 billion to $7 billion on fuel and oil this year, along with at least $12 billion on pesticides and fertilizer - two crop ''inputs'' often derived from petroluem.

''I think the cuts were excessive, particularly in the 'out' years,'' said Rep. Dan Glickman, D-Kan., referring to the outline of $1.3 billion in cuts in fiscal 1991 and the remaining $11.7 billion the following four years.

The American Farm Bureau Federation, the nation's largest farm organization, said it opposed the budget package. The Farm Bureau dislikes higher fuel taxes and has spoken against further cuts in crop subsidy rates, which have been pared by more than 9 percent since 1985.

In a statement, Leahy said there would be ''deep and painful cuts in many important programs.''

The National Association of Wheat Growers said the methods offered for making the farm cuts were directed more heavily at some commodities than others.

''The scope of budget savings measures should include all crops and all farm spending programs,'' said NAWG President Del Wiedeman. ''The 1990 farm bill authorizes six new spending programs for crops, requires no cut in spending for a number of others and actually increases spending for still others.''

Budget negotiators suggested three ways to make the reductions. One was to cut target prices by 2 percent a year and each year declare an additional 3 percent of wheat, feed grains, cotton and rice land ineligible for payments.

The second was a one-time cut of 2 percent in target prices and a one-time ''triple base'' program under which 15 percent of of wheat, feed grains, cotton and rice land would be ineligible for support payments. The third was a one-time ''triple base'' program covering 25 percent of the land but no cut in target prices.

The package presented by budget negotiators did not mention action against the dairy, peanut or sugar programs. Those programs rely on a guaranteed government price to set a minimum price for the products.

For many weeks, leading members of the House Agriculture Committee have spoken in favor of using the triple base as the way to accommodate budget cuts. An aide to Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., the Republican leader on the Senate

Agriculture Committee, said last week that Lugar preferred the approach of a five-year cut in target prices and payment acres.

Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Texas, an orginator of the triple base idea, said the cuts proposed for agriculture were ''doable'' but, ''My only regret is we did not get equal cuts in other programs.''

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#90274u1726 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.91

60 to 89 days 7.84

90 to 119 days 7.83

120 to 149 days 7.74

150 to 179 days 7.68

180 to 270 days 7.63

Commercial Paper (range):
Issuers 30 days 7.99

Issuers 90 days 7.75

Issuers 270 days 7.45

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.02

60 to 89 days 8.02

90 to 119 days 8.09

120 to 149 days 8.06

150 to 179 days 8.06

180 days 8.06

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.125 - 8.25

1 month 8.00 - 8.125

3 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

6 month 8.00 - 8.125

Year 8.125 - 8.25

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.14 - 7.12

6 months 7.18 - 7.16

Year 7.13 - 7.11

Federal Funds: High 8 1/8, Low 8, Close 8 1/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 7.806 off 0.071.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90274u1734 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 1) UPI - Midway Airlines began non-stop service Monday between Midway Airport and both John Wayne Airport in Orange County, Calif., and Lambert Field in St. Louis.

Midway will operate five flights daily between Chicago and St. Louis and two flights daily between Chicago and Orange County.

The Chicago-based airline also initiated non-stop service to between Philadelphia International Airport - its second hub - and Las Vegas, with continuing service from Las Vegas to Los Angeles International Airport.

The addition of the flights brings to 61 the number of destinations served by Midway - which began operations on Nov. 1., 1979, with just four Midwest cities on its flight schedule.

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#90274u1741 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (OCT. 1) UPI - Israel announced Monday the military would distribute gas masks to its more than 4.7 million citizens but denied Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's recent threats against the country sparked the move.

Defense officials said there was no indication a chemical weapons attack was imminent. Israeli officials, including Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, have repeatedly said they would strike a massive blow against any aggressor.

''There is no worsening of the situation and this decision was taken some time ago and also it's going to be applied over a period of time,'' said Shamir aide Avi Pazner. ''This is a precautionary measure that we are taking in light of the overall situation in the last few months in the area.

''It would be a big mistake to see anything in (the decision) which would point to a changing of the situation or a worsening of the situation,'' he said.

Israel also is purchasing gas masks for the estimated 1.7 million Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. But the Palestinians will have to buy the gas masks - estimated to cost less than $100 each - unlike Israelis who will receive them without charge because their national insurance payments already cover the cost, military sources said.

The phased distribution of gas masks to Israeli citizens, Arab and Jewish, will begin next week in three towns, the military said. Since the government considers Arabs of East Jerusalem Israeli residents, those Palestinians also will receive gas masks without charge.

Brig. Gen. Nahman Shai, the army spokesman, urged the public not to panic and said the distribution, expected to take several weeks, was consistent with previous Cabinet decisions. In interviews on television and radio, Shai explained that Israel began experimenting with gas mask distribution 1 1/2 years ago in two Israeli communities.

''The masks are being distributed in a relatively calm period,'' Shai told Army Radio. ''The distribution of the masks is not at all urgent presently.''

The reason behind the decision was to transfer the kits to citizens' homes in order to shorten the time of distribution if it became necessary to pass them out, the army said.

''The distribution of gas masks in no way whatsoever constitutes a change to an emergency status,'' the army said in a statement.

During the weekend, Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Dan Shomron said that an Israeli distribution of gas masks would not be linked to Saddam's threats. As late as last week, Saddam threatened to attack Middle East oilfields, Israel and Saudi Arabia if tough economic sanctions against Iraq began to strangle his country's economy.

Before Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2, Saddam had threatened to wipe out half of Israel with chemical weapons if Israel attacked Iraq or any other Arab nation.

Last month, a high-ranking Israeli civil defense official contended that delaying the distribution of protective kits against chemical weapons might exact ''a very high price'' from Israel.

''The feeling that the civilian population in the country is guarded and that the Israel Defense Force will prevent the enemy from reaching the civilian population has become a national asset,'' wrote Col. Dov Peled in the September issue of the civil defense magazine ''Ha-Oref.'' ''A strike on the civilian population will destroy this myth and is likely to cause serious harm to the morale of the citizens and the morale of the fighters on the frontline.''

After next week's initial distribution, the military would concentrate on urban centers before proceeding with other areas and citizens would receive notification by mail on when to report to distribution centers. Hotels would receive the protective kits for tourists.

Shai said a Cabinet subcommittee gave the army the power two weeks ago to go ahead with country-wide distribution.

On the issue of selling gas masks to Palestinians, the military sources said Israel earlier had not considered distribution because residents of the territories had not been considered potential targets as they were now.

''The important thing to understand is we are responsible for the security of the Palestinian residents in the territories and we're not shirking that responsibility even though they have expressed their fervant support for Saddam Hussein,'' one military source said.

After the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, many Israelis fearful of a chemical weapons attack purchased their own gas masks despite reassurances from

government and military officials.

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#90274u1755 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court agreed Monday to review the decision of a federal appeals court that a person arrested without a warrant must be granted a probable cause hearing within 36 hours of incarceration.

The case stemmed from a 1987 class-action suit filed by Donald Lee McLaughlin against Riverside County, Calif., claiming the civil rights of prisoners at the Riverside County Jail were being violated because they were being detained without a ''prompt'' probable cause hearing after arrest.

The suit asked that a probable cause hearing be held within 36 hours of the warrantless arrest of a suspected criminal.

It claimed the county normally waited 48 hours for such hearings, but contended that depending on weekends and holidays a person could be incarcerated more than 100 hours without a finding of probable cause.

On April 19, 1989, a federal court issued a preliminary injunction ordering such hearings within 36 hours. The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the 36-hour time limit.

In asking the high court to reverse the rulings, Riverside County argued that eliminating the uniform 48-hour time period used under state law ''will likely result in different time periods being applied in each of the 58 counties of the State of California - time periods set only after extensive litigation in federal and state trial courts within each county.''

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#90274u1759 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 1) UPI - Police have arrested three black men in connection with a bloody attack on a commuter train last month that killed 26 blacks and injured at least 100, Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok said Monday.

Vlok said in a statement police also confiscated weapons including a range of firearms, ammunition, pistols, axes, spears, iron rods, and ammunition, but did not indicate when the arrests were made.

He said the police investigation could lead to more arrests but said the probe had been hampered by the indiscriminate nature of the killings, which occurred at the peak of a wave of factional black violence.

The train attack on the outskirts of Johannesburg on Sept. 13 shocked South

Africans and was one reason why President Frederik de Klerk imposed a tough security clampdown - dubbed Operation Iron Fist - in the hardest-hit townships surrounding the city.

The steps largely restored peace after more than six weeks of strife had killed nearly 800 people, but the African National Congress said ''Iron Fist'' did not address the root causes of the conflict.

The ANC also asserted a shadowy and well-trained ''third force'' was taking advantage of the fighting to sow discord among blacks, referring particularly to the apparent professionalism of the train attack.

But Vlok did not link the three arrested to any movement or indicate if police had learned the motive for the attack.

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#90274u1776 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	63 7-8	up 2 7-8
AT&T Company	32 1-8	up 1 1-4
BCE Inc	30 3-4	up 1-8
Bell Atlantic	49	up 1 3-4
BellSouth Corp	54	up 1 5-8
Exxon Corp	49 5-8	up 5-8
Ford Motor Co	31 1-8	up 1-4
Genl Electric	56 3-8	up 1 7-8
General Motors	36 5-8	up 3-8
GTE Corp	28 1-8	up 1 3-8
IBM Corp	109	up 2 5-8
Mobil Oil Corp	63	up 1-8
Nynex Corp	71 5-8	up 1 3-8
Pac Gas & Elec	21 5-8	up 3-8
Pacific Telesis	46	up 1 3-4
Phila Electric	15 1-4	up 5-8
Sears Roebuck	26 1-4	up 7-8
Southern Co	24 5-8	up 7-8
Sthwestern Bell	55	up 2 5-8
US West Inc	36 1-8	up 1 1-4

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#90274u1779 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, Belgium (OCT. 1) UPI - The European Community on Monday granted the equivalent of $31 million for protection of tropical rainforests in Africa its largest-ever environmental grant for projects outside the EC.

The grant approved by the EC executive Commission will go to seven countries at the heart of the African Tropical Rainforest, including Guinea, Cameroon and Zaire.

Specific projects in each country will be carried out over a three- year period, including development of activities by the existing population compatible with rainforest maintenance.

The tropical rainforest in Africa is the world's largest after the Amazon basin in South America.

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#90274u1783 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Monday	1077.2
Friday	1087.6
Week ago	1093.9
Month ago	Holiday
Year ago	1108.3
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90274u1806 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks -	17,540,000 shares
1990 to date -	2,636,589,585
Bonds -	$2,140,000
1990 to date -	$539,774,000

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#90274u1812 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - Senior citizen groups charged Monday President Bush and Congress have ''declared budget war on the elderly'' by proposing the largest-ever increases in Medicare patient payments. They promised retribution on Election Day.

Reaction to the deficit reduction budget package proposed by White House and congressional negotiators Sunday was swift and angry from groups representing the 33 million elderly and disabled Americans served by the Medicare health insurance program.

''President Bush and the budget summiteers are asking one-eighth of the

population to shoulder one-half of the cuts in domestic spending, and that eighth represents the oldest, the sickest, the poorest adults - those least able to pay,'' said Ron Pollack director of Families USA, a national advocacy group for seniors.

''By unfairly and disproportionately singling out seniors for these enormous cuts, the summiteers (negotiators) have declared budget war on the elderly,'' Pollack told a Capitol Hill news conference. ''Those that wage this war shouldn't expect older Americans to be pacifists on election day.''

The budget compromise, still to be approved by Congress, would raise $30 billion from Medicare beneficiaries over five years by raising the monthly premium and the annual deductible paid for doctors' services. An additional $30 billion cut in payments to doctors and hospitals would make for a total budget savings of $60 billion coming from the Medicare program.

Arthur Fleming, chairman of the Save Our Security Coalition of organizations for seniors and the disabled, said the overall effect of planned and proposed increases will mean a 366 percent increase in the share paid by Medicare beneficiaries.

The major changes on the budget proposal would come under Medicare's Part B program, which pays doctors' bills. The annual deductible, before Medicare covers 80 percent of physician bills, would increase from the current $75 to $100 in 1991, $125 in 1992 and $150 in 1993-'95. The deductible last rose, from $50, in 1982.

In addition the Part B premium would rise 5 percent to cover costs, increasing from $28.60 per month to about $34 in 1991 and about $55 per month in 1995. The budget compromise proposal would also require beneficiaries to pay 20 percent of laboratory costs which are currently paid entirely by the Medicare program.

''A $300 plus increase in annual premiums coupled with a $75 increase in the deductible will force millions of seniors to eat less food, to skip their presecriptions and to fall behind in their rent or utility bills,'' Pollack said.

The budget proposal sets aside a new $2 billion fund to help seniors just above the poverty line pay the increased costs, but Pollack called the amount ''wholly inadequate toward what needs to be done.''

Rep. Edward Roybal, D-Calif., chairman of the House Select Committee on Aging, called the budget proposal ''unacceptable.''

''I predict that the senior citizens of this nation are going to be heard, not only here in Washington, but also across the nation,'' Roybal said.

Several seniors groups said they favored a shift in income tax rates that would put a greater burden on the wealthy as the most equitable way to trim the mammoth federal deficit.

''The best approach is a progressive income tax system,'' said Larry Smedley, director of the National Council of Senior Citizens. ''Older Americans didn't cause the deficit and they shouldn't be asked to pay more than their fair share of the costs.''

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#90274u1825 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Financial News Network said Monday it may face ''a very substantial non-cash loss'' for the fourth quarter and the year if auditors decide its $28 million investment in a new financial information service must be charged against current earnings.

If FNN reports such a loss, it may be placed in default on approximately $48.5 million in bank loans, the company said in a statement.

The cable business news company said it is beginning discussions with its principal bank to seek appropriate waivers to prevent default.

Saying auditors had not completed their independent examination, FNN sought a two-week extension to file its annual report, known as a 10-K, with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The deadline for filing was Sept. 28.

The key accounting issue is how the approximately $28 million FNN invested in the new FNN:PRO product should be treated - as a charge against current earnings or amortized over a longer period of time.

FNN:PRO, which features financial information, news and a video service, was introduced in July.

If the auditors determine that FNN must take a one-time charge against fourth-quarter results for its investment in the real-time financial news service, FNN said it would be forced to report a ''very substantial non-cash loss for at least the fourth quarter of 1990 and the year.''

The loss and possible default would occur ''should these accounting issues ultimately be resolved contrary to FNN's position,'' the company said.

''We followed what we thought were appropriate procedures to treat the start-up cost as an investment and in recent days auditors have taken the position this should be written off as opposed to capitalized, '' said Dr. Earl Brian, chairman of Infotechnology Inc., which owns 47 percent of FNN.

''If you do that, you end up with a big loss for FNN's fourth quarter and the

potential of that is to change a lot of balance sheet ratios, which in turn causes your bank agreements to be in default, so you try to get waivers,'' he said.

''The $64,000 question is, 'Will they give them?' and the answer is nobody knows for sure,'' he said.

If the FNN:PRO investment were fully written off, FNN would take a $28 million charge against earnings, Brian said. The company and auditors have not yet discussed a compromise write-off, he said.

In fiscal 1989 FNN reported operating earnings of $6.5 million, or 36 cents a share, on revenues of $44.5 million.

Infotech said in a separate statement it could not file its annual report with the SEC until it obtained FNN's completed financial statements. Infotechnology also owns United Press International.

FNN stock held by Infotech serves as collateral for Infotech's primary bank credit agreements under which about $20.7 million is outstanding.

Due to recent declines in FNN's stock price, Infotech said it has been engaged in discussions with its bank lenders about restructuring the credit facility.

Trading in FNN and Infotech was delayed in opening on the over-the- counter market Monday.

FNN stock closed down $2.50 to $2.75 a share. FNN's stock price hit a 52-week low Thursday before edging up slightly Friday.

Infotech stock finished the day off $2.75 to $3 a share.

In seeking its extension with the SEC, FNN said it ''is not able to complete its financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 at this time because its independent auditors have not yet completed their examination.''

Auditors for FNN also were reviewing the valuation of data receivers provided to customers of FNN:Data Broadcasting, which is FNN's stock quote and market information service; accounting for the sale and leaseback of the receivers; and FNN's property accounts, the company said.

FNN said it ''believes it has properly accounted for both the FNN:PRO development costs and the data receivers.''

In addition to the bank loans, FNN said it had about $73 million in lease agreements as of June 30.

Its bank and lease payments are current, the company said.

In Washington, UPI spokesman Milt Capps said: ''These matters will not have a direct impact on UPI inasmuch as UPI is itself operating profitably.''

He said UPI ''has in the past two years restructured and reoriented its editorial operations, placed tremendous emphasis on attaining profitability and at this point on Oct. 1 is overall operating on a very self-sufficient basis.''

Brian said UPI's ''well-being is tied to how well products sell at UPI, not this situation.''

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(OCT. 1) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	172.22	up	4.37
ASE Market Value Index	308.44	up	0.71
Dow-Jones Industrial	2515.84	up	63.36

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#90274u1830 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2515.84	up	63.36	873.15	up	31.80	203.35	up	4.78
Friday	2452.48	up	25.00	841.35	up	13.32	198.57	off	0.12
Week ago	2452.97	off	59.41	841.90	off	34.76	199.76	off	1.95
Month ago	Holiday								
Year ago	2713.72	up	20.90	1455.19	up	5.15	216.49	up	0.32
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2427.48			828.03			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90274u1839 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks	-	202,210,000 shares
1990 to date	-	29,938,367,482
Warrants	-	1,459,400
1990 to date	-	187,556,500

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#90274u1843 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Monday - $31,120,000
1990 to date - $8,349,480,000

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#90274u1847 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	308.44	up 0.71
High Technology	297.64	up 5.74
Capital Goods	325.56	off 1.20
Consumer Goods	365.61	up 6.75
Service	667.49	up 13.44
Retail	893.63	up 24.54
Financial	360.83	up 0.73
Natural Resources	244.71	off 5.30
Housing-Const-Land	298.11	off 2.67

There was a gain of 2 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	391.29	up 5.75
Mid Atlantic	395.15	up 5.20
No Central	396.12	up 1.40
So Atlantic	862.56	up 17.56
So Central	303.07	off 0.06
Mountain	110.74	off 0.60
Pacific	341.88	up 4.87
Foreign	239.86	off 4.71

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#90274u1849 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (OCT. 1) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Monday - 11,181,000
1990 to date - 1,898,095,000

The market closed broadly higher.

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#90274u1862 10/01/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 308.82, low 307.48, close 308.44, up 0.71.

There was a gain of 2 cents in the average share price.

Volume 17,540,000 shares, compared with 18, 410,000 Friday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	8
New Lows	72
Advances	322
Declines	266
Unchanged	223
Total Issues	811

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 6 to 73 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	73.25	73.25	72.50	72.50	73.00
Dec	71.71	71.94	71.42	71.58	71.92
Mar	72.65	72.90	72.20	72.20	72.93
May	73.15	73.20	72.85	73.00	73.40
Jly	73.50	73.50	73.15	73.16	73.55
Oct	69.10	69.10	69.00	68.85	69.30
Dec	67.60	67.70	67.50	67.62	67.68

Estimated sales: 4,000 contracts

Open interest: 35,498 up 219

The World spot average: 69.34

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#90274u1869 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday.

Stock		$Volume	Close	Chg.
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	110,274,696	67 1/8	up 4 1/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	72,682,752	34	up 3/4
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	63,874,824	24	up 2 1/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	47,343,652	48 1/8	up 3 5/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	47,152,272	32 1/2	up 1
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	38,927,252	66 1/2	up 4
Amgen	(AMGN)	37,944,064	46 1/2	up 1 3/4
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	36,648,788	30 1/2	up 1 1/2
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	35,285,644	27	up 2 1/4
TeleCommun A		25,988,736	11 1/8	up 1 1/4

Composite Index 155.36 up 4.61
NMS volume 102,476,200 shares.

Advances	1,047
Declines	544
Unchanged	1,210
Total	2,801

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#90274u1881 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	360.47	214.09	133.02	20.87	306.05
Opening	362.64	216.37	133.92	21.06	308.00
11 a.m.	361.53	215.89	133.68	20.98	307.10
Noon	366.87	218.17	135.42	21.30	311.56
1 p.m.	368.00	218.48	136.37	21.34	312.64
2 p.m.	368.83	218.39	136.60	21.37	313.29
3 p.m.	368.68	220.26	136.63	21.37	313.24
Close	370.54	221.24	137.36	21.59	314.94
Change	up 10.07	up 7.15	up 4.34	up 0.72	up 8.89

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#90274u1907 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.05	up 0.28
10 Public Utils	90.55	up 0.37
10 Industrials	87.56	up 0.20

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#90274u1909 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2474.26	2534.65	2446.53	2515.84	up 63.36
20 Trans	849.85	879.81	841.72	873.15	up 31.80
15 Utils	199.70	204.10	198.57	203.35	up 4.78
65 Stock	865.55	888.74	857.07	882.70	up 24.56

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	27,991,600	25,636,900
Trans	4,232,000	3,840,900
Utils	4,206,200	5,162,300
65 Stock	36,429,800	34,640,100

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.05	up 0.28
10 Public Utils	90.55	up 0.37
10 Industrials	87.56	up 0.20

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 129.60 off 1.61.

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#90274u1912 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Philip Morris	3,551,000	47 3/4	up	2 1/2
PepsiCo Inc	3,022,700	24 5/8	up	1 5/8
Genl Electric	2,833,000	56 1/4	up	1 3/4
Citicorp	2,371,300	15 1/8	up	7/8
Waste Mangment	2,317,500	34 1/4	up	1/2
AT&T Company	2,233,400	32 1/4	up	1 3/8
Wal-Mart Strs	2,058,200	28 7/8	up	1 5/8
GTE Corp	2,004,700	28 1/8	up	1 3/8
IBM Corp	1,851,300	109	up	2 5/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,817,200	29 5/8	up	1 1/4
Utd Telecom	1,747,200	27 7/8	up	1
Unisys Corp	1,706,400	5	unch	
Eastman Kodak	1,669,000	39 5/8	up	1 1/8
Boeing Co	1,619,800	44 1/4	up	2 5/8
Bristol M S	1,555,700	60 3/4	up	3 5/8

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Salomon wt Jan	1,280,700	20 5/8	off	1/2
Denmark K wt	1,015,400	21 1/4	off	3/4
Paine W Gr wtB	959,000	9 3/4	off	1/2

Paine W Gr wtA	650,300	3	up	1/2
Eksport wt	591,700	9 7/8	off	7/8
Carnival Cruise	425,700	12 7/8	up	3/8
Salomon wt Apr	410,700	3	up	3/8
Corona Corp A	400,900	5 1/2	off	1/2
BAT Indus	389,500	10 7-16	up	7-16
Salomon wt Feb	333,600	21 3/8	off	3/4

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(OCT. 1) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	228.50	232.90	228.50	232.30	226.80
Mar	....	....	....	234.50	229.00
Jun	....	....	....	237.50	232.00

Previous day volume: 108 contracts.

Open interest: 1,181 up 7

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	310.00	318.50	308.80	318.25	306.75
Mar	314.00	321.50	311.45	320.85	309.20
Jun	....	324.00	....	324.00	312.20

Today's estimated volume: 59,891 contracts.

Open interest: 152,851 off 68

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	170.00	174.35	169.50	174.25	168.50
Mar	171.65	175.30	171.65	175.60	169.80
Jun	173.00	174.00	173.00	176.95	171.10

Open interest: 4,486 up 167

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	511.00	527.90	511.00	527.70	508.75
Nov	513.50	527.90	512.25	527.85	508.90
Dec	519.40	529.80	519.40	529.80	511.50

Estimated volume 3,803 contracts.

Open interest: 7,045 up 69

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(OCT. 1) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6100	up	225
Niagara Mo pfB	50 1/2	up	15 1/2
Matsushita El	132	up	15
CapCiti/ABC	480 1/8	up	13 1/8
Enron pfJ	197 7/8	off	10 1/8
Hitachi Ltd	91 3/4	up	6 1/4
UAL Corp	103 3/8	up	6 1/8
Kyocera Ltd	89	up	6
Walt Disney	96 1/4	up	5 5/8
Am Brand pfA	143	up	5 1/2

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	354.65	up	10.14	352.16	475.19
Industrial	380.23	up	11.77	376.68	460.50
Finance	347.50	up	7.16	351.51	561.41
Insurance	412.02	up	5.46	422.58	536.27
Utility	483.53	up	20.55	462.35	764.89
Bank	252.59	up	3.34	258.16	478.59
Transport	395.23	up	5.92	393.96	479.30

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 341.19

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 155.36 up 4.61

Industrial Index 150.38 up 4.85

NASDAQ-100 Index 369.47 up 15.36

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#90274u1938 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices ($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	33.80-33.85	35.35-35.40

North Sea Brent	38.50-38.55	40.80-40.85
West Texas Intermed	37.05-37.10	39.50-39.55
Light Louisiana Sweet	38.10-38.25	40.80-40.95
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	96.80-97.00	102.00-102.25
No. 2 Heating oil	97.80-98.05	103.50-103.75
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	92.30-92.40	96.80-97.10
No. 2 Heating oil	96.95-97.15	102.95-103.10

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DETROIT (OCT. 1) UPI - Luxury automakers, concerned over a proposal to add an excise tax to cars costing $30,000 or more, insisted Monday their automobiles should not be viewed in the same light as expensive furs or jewelry.

Instead, they should be viewed as cars that have benefited the entire auto industry by bringing technological advances - notably in the area of safety - to lower priced models, according to these automakers.

The proposal, which has yet to be approved by Congress, seeks to place a 10 percent tax on cars costing over $30,000, with the tax mostly likely figured on the transaction price, not the sticker amount.

It is part of a package to reduce the federal budget deficit by $500 billion over the next five years.

Through the first eight months of 1990, luxury cars have accounted for about 10 percent, or 940,000 units, of the entire U.S. auto market, although cars costing $30,000 or more make up only about 2 percent of total sales, industry figures show.

European automakers, as well as some Japanese carmakers such as Nissan Motor Co.'s Infiniti and Toyota Motor Corp.'s new Lexus divisions, would most likely be initially affected by the proposed tax because most U.S. nameplates are not yet in the $30,000 range, except for Cadillac.

Germany's Porsche, whose cars now range in price from over $43,000 to $95,000, expressed concern about the luxury-car tax.

''Even with those high prices, we don't consider our cars luxury items in the same sense as minks or jewels,'' said Porsche spokeswoman Martha McKinley, from the company's Reno, Nev., U.S. headquarters.

''The reason for the high price is advanced automotive technology that goes

into the development of the product, like driver- and passenger-side air bags and anti-lock brakes,'' she said. ''This kind of safety, technology and engineering is of benefit to the entire auto industry.''

''Our main reaction is the labeling of expensive cars as luxuries,'' said Thomas McGurn, a spokesman for German carmaker BMW. ''We feel our cars bring good technology into the marketplace. ... They play very important roles in the marketplace that is apart from just the owners rewarding themselves.''

About two thirds of BMW's cars cost over $30,000, McGurn said

''Of course we would go along with it. But we would have preferred a lower threshold, say $20,000,'' said Kurt von Zumwalt, a spokesman for German carmaker Mercedes-Benz. ''It's just one more thing that is certainly going to cause some further hesitation on the buyer's part.''

Nissan's newly created Infiniti division also expressed concerned about the proposed luxury-car tax but said it was too early to tell how the company would be affected.

The Infiniti Q45 sedan sells for $39,000 and is expected to account for over half of the division's anticipated sales of 40,000 for 1991, company spokeswoman Debra Sanchez Fair said.

Toyota's Lexus division had no immediate comment.

General Motors Corp.'s Cadillac division, whose cars have all crossed the $30,000 barrier for 1991, could also be affected. But while company spokesman William O'Neill acknowledged that the transaction price for some Cadillac may be at or close to the $30,000 mark, he did not think the proposed tax may have a great affect on sales.

Still, industry observers say such a tax is bound eventually to broadside nameplates like Cadillac or Lincoln if it becomes law.

''It's really academic,'' said one analyst. ''If some carmakers are not there in price now, they will be there a year or two from now.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri

Argntn austral	.000185	.000183	5409.00	5468.00
Australia dlr	.8312	.8250	1.2031	1.2121
Austria schill	.0917	.0908	10.91	11.01
Belgium franc-c	.0313	.0310	31.90	32.25
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0123	.0123	81.29	81.29
Britain pound	1.8810	1.8730	.5316	.5339
Britain 1-mo	1.8695	1.8727	.5349	.5340
Britain 3-mo	1.8500	1.8435	.5405	.5424
Britain 6-mo	1.8225	1.8165	.5487	.5505
Canada dollar	.8671	.8651	1.1533	1.1560
Canada 1-mo	.8642	.8620	1.1572	1.1601
Canada 3-mo	.8584	.8563	1.1650	1.1678
Canada 6-mo	.8504	.8485	1.1759	1.1785
Chile peso-f	.003481	.003480	287.31	287.35
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001935	.001919	516.75	521.07
Denmark krne	.1687	.1673	5.9270	5.9785
Ecudr sucre-z	.001183	.001175	845.33	851.18
Egypt pound	.3706	.3720	2.6983	2.6885
Finlnd mrkka	.2714	.2685	3.6850	3.7240
France franc	.1915	.1905	5.2210	5.2495
France 1-mo	.1912	.1902	5.2293	5.2570
France 3-mo	.1905	.1896	5.2488	5.2754
France 6-mo	.1894	.1885	5.2790	5.3050
Greece drach	.006562	.006546	152.40	152.76
Hollnd guildr	.5693	.5656	1.7565	1.7681
HongKong dlr	.1288	.1288	7.7610	7.7610
India rupee	.0558	.0558	17.93	17.92
Indo'sa rupia	.000541	.000541	1847.00	1847.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7293	1.7116	0.5783	0.5842
Israel shekel	.4975	.4975	2.0100	2.0100
Italy lira	.000856	.000852	1167.75	1174.25
Japan yen	.007314	.007225	136.73	138.40
Japan 1-mo	.007319	.007252	136.63	137.90
Japan 3-mo	.007324	.007254	136.53	137.85
Japan 6-mo	.007386	.007386	135.40	135.40
Jordan dinar	1.5555	1.5555	.6429	.6429
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000348	2878.00	2876.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6183	.6160	1.6173	1.6234
Norway krne	.1661	.1651	6.0220	6.0575
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	431,430	431,430
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30

Portugl escud	.007323	.007228	136.56	138.36
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5683	.5669	1.7595	1.7640
S.Africa rand	.3912	.3911	2.5560	2.5570
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010278	.010206	97.30	97.98
Sweden krona	.1747	.1733	5.7250	5.7715
Switzrl franc	.7767	.7710	1.2875	1.2970
Switzrl 1-mo	.7771	.7707	1.2869	1.2975
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7771	.7707	1.2868	1.2976
Switzrl 6-mo	.7761	.7708	1.2885	1.2973
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.80	26.80
Turkey lira	.000370	.000369	2706.00	2712.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Venez bolivr-z	.0210	.0209	47.67	47.77
W.Ger Mark	.6421	.6378	1.5575	1.5678
W.Ger 1-mo	.6419	.6378	1.5578	1.5679
W.Ger 3-mo	.6413	.6373	1.5593	1.5691
W.Ger 6-mo	.6398	.6363	1.5630	1.5716
Yugosl dinar	.0933	.0933	10.72	10.72

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	124,382,800
Advances	1,250
Declines	693
Unchanged	2,302
Total	4,245

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	10	5	8
New lows	126	427	441

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume

Advances	1,197	160,771,300
Declines	435	28,843,100
Unchanged	366	12,595,600
Total	1,998	202,210,000

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(OCT. 1) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	8
New lows	72

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	322	9,038,700
Declines	266	7,018,000
Unchanged	223	1,483,300
Total	811	17,540,000

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#90274u1995 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 1) UPI - President Bush tried to calm war fears today with talk of a peaceful outcome of the Persian Gulf crisis. Speaking before the U-N General Assembly, Bush dangled ''true opportunities'' before Iraq if it would pull out of Kuwait.

The General Assembly applauded Bush for declaring that the world is united behind his view that the annexation of Kuwait- in his words- ''will NOT be permitted to stand.'' He said aggression will NOT be tolerated or rewarded.

Former Treasury Secretary Donald Regan says deregulation of the nation's savings and loan industry is NOT to blame for the current thrift crisis. Regan told the House Banking Committee that lax supervision is the root cause of the s-and-l debacle.

The U-S Supreme Court is stepping into the savings and loan fray. The high court agreed today to decide whether the financial institutions can deduct Millions of dollars as losses by essentially swapping mortgage loans of near identical value.

The nation's major submarine builder is cutting back its work force because of cuts in defense spending. The Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics Corporation announced that 582 workers will be laid off and warned of more job reductions next month.

The Energy Department says it will NO longer make nuclear weapons at its uranium processing plant near Fernald, Ohio. Officials say they plan NO

layoffs of the plant's 790 workers, who will focus efforts on environmental cleanup.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	172.22	168.39	172.22	up 4.37
Industrial	214.44	209.72	214.44	up 5.25
Transport	134.77	131.60	134.77	up 4.39
Utility	86.82	84.79	86.82	up 2.41
Finance	113.81	111.34	113.81	up 3.03

Equivalent to a gain of 76 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 202,210,000 shares.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.93	8.03	8.53
91-day Treasury bills	7.36	7.36	7.84
182-day Treasury bills	7.53	7.53	7.94
1-year Treasury bills	7.64	7.67	7.88
3-year Treasury notes	8.12	8.15	8.44
7-year Treasury notes	8.63	8.69	8.35
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.85	8.94	8.21
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.23	10.30	8.97
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.90	9.95	9.24
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.19	9.27	9.25
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.43	9.50	9.25
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.46	9.53	9.42
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.43	9.51	9.40

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - Bone marrow transplants failed to help men infected with the deadly AIDS virus who underwent the experimental treatment in a new government study, researchers reported Monday.

Despite previous reports indicating a similar approach may be encouraging, the study found no long-term benefit in the study involving 16 men who received bone marrow donations from their identical twin brothers.

The researchers acknowledged, however, that variations of the approach may produce better results.

''Although the study showed no long-term benefits, the approach gives us something to build on in our campaign against AIDS,'' said Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan in a statement.

''Ultimately we believe such innovative combination therapies, which attempt to attack HIV infection and rebuild the patient's immune system, will offer the most hope to persons with AIDS,'' he said.

The approach is aimed at boosting the weakened immune systems of patients infected with the AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus or HIV.

In a report published in the Annals of Internal Medicine, Dr. H. Clifford Lane of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and his colleagues said they tried the approach on nine men with AIDS and seven men infected with the virus who had not yet developed the full-blown disease.

All the men and their twins took the drug AZT, which inhibits the ability of the AIDS virus to reproduce, for 12 weeks to suppress the virus and build up a supply of the drug in the donor's blood.

After nine weeks, each infected twin received infusions of white blood cells called lymphocytes taken from his twin brother and underwent bone marrow transplants three weeks later. Identical twins were used because their blood types match perfectly, reducing the risk of rejection.

After receiving the bone marrow transplant, the twins infected with the virus received either more AZT or a dummy drug for the next 12 months.

Although the patients seemed to tolerate the treatment well and their immune systems seemed to be enhanced, the benefits only lasted several months and the disease progressed in all but one patient, the researchers said.

''Our results show that any benefits from such combination therapy are at best transient,'' the researchers wrote.

However, the researchers said that the approach still had promise and could be improved to produce benefits.

In fact, three additional sets of twins are participating in a new study in which the donor's immune system will be boosted with an experimental AIDS vaccine before the bone marrow is removed for transplantation.

''We believe that combination therapy has a great deal of promise and we are continuing to look for the optimal combination,'' said NIAID Director Dr. Anthony Fauci in the statement.

In June 1989, doctors at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore reported they apparently had cleared the AIDS virus from one patient who had the bone marrow destroyed with radiation and drugs, and then underwent a bone marrow transplant while receiving high doses of AZT.

No signs of the AIDS virus were found in the patient's tissues after treatment but he went on to die of an AIDS-related cancer that afflicted him before the experimental treatment.

''Ours is more a total replacement of the immune system, while theirs is a small boost, an augmentation,'' said one Johns Hopkins researcher who asked not to be named.

In the past two years, Johns Hopkins has performed its procedure on six AIDS patients and four are still alive, he said. The hospital is continuing to perform the procedure, he said.

The government researchers acknowledged total destruction of the old immune system may result ''in a better clinical outcome.''

But Lane said in a telephone interview he was skeptical that every infected cell could be destroyed and he was concerned such an approach posed the danger of patients being even more susceptible to deadly infections.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	354.77	344.52	354.65	up 10.14
Industrial	380.36	370.88	380.23	up 11.77
Finance	347.60	340.85	347.50	up 7.16

Insurance	413.09	406.65	412.02	up 5.46
Utility	484.48	466.96	483.53	up 20.55
Bank	253.72	249.50	252.59	up 3.34
Transport	395.82	386.52	395.23	up 5.92

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (9-27) 341.19

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	155.36 up 4.61
Industrial Index	150.38 up 4.85
NASDAQ-100 Index	369.47 up 15.36
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.06 up 0.23
Volume	102,476,200 shares
Advances	1,047
Declines	544
Unchanged	1,210
Total	2,801

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#90274u2023 10/01/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 1) UPI - Iraq further raised hopes that it wants to pursue a French peace proposal with a pledge Monday to release nine French hostages, while President Bush, embracing some aspects of the plan, told Saddam Hussein that pulling out of occupied Kuwait might lead to new ''opportunities.''

Meanwhile, Israel said it would distribute gas masks to its more than 4.7 million citizens, but played down linking the decision to Iraqi threats. Israel has pondered distributing the masks since Saddam threatened to destroy ''half of Israel'' with poison gas before his Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The phased distribution of gas masks to Israeli citizens, Arab and Jewish, will begin next week in three towns, the Israeli military said.

''This distribution is in conjunction with previous Cabinet decisions on this issue. The distribution of gas masks in no way whatsoever constitutes a change to an emergency status,'' the statement said.

Israel also is purchasing gas masks for the estimated 1.7 million Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. But the Palestinians will have to buy the approximately $100 gas masks, while Israelis will receive them without charge because their national insurance payments already covered the cost.

The official Iraqi News Agency said Saddam had ordered the nine Frenchmen released and said they could leave Iraq with a delegation from the France-Iraq

Friendship Association now in Baghdad.

INA did not say when the released Frenchmen, part of a larger group of Western nationals described by Iraq as ''foreign guests'' and held in the country as human shields against attack, would leave Baghdad.

The Iraqi government has detained citizens of Western countries near key military and other installations as a response to the U.S.-led military deployment in Saudi Arabia.

The French government estimates some 350 French nationals are being detained against their will by Saddam, 85 of them in Kuwait. It believes 67 are being used to discourage a U.S. bombing attack.

A spokesman for President Francois Mitterrand confirmed the release would take place, but insisted there had been no negotiations between Paris and Baghdad.

''Nine persons are free, who would not be happy?'' spokesman Hubert Vedrine said. ''But that does not change anything. What is expected from Iraq is the liberation of all the hostages, French and foreigners, without exception.''

He said ''routine'' conversations between Iraqi and French diplomats involved only the issue of French hostages being held in Iraq and Kuwait.

Saddam said in a statement read on Iraqi television Sunday he was interested in discussing a French proposal calling for the opening of a dialogue in return for Iraq's statement of ''intention'' to withdraw from Kuwait and free Western hostages.

The French proposal left open the possibility for free elections in Kuwait after the withdrawal - a marked difference from the Bush administration's insistence that Kuwaiti Emir Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah be returned to power and Iraq actually withdraw from Kuwait before discussions with Baghdad begin.

But Bush, in language that embraced elements of the French overture to Saddam, told the U.N. General Assembly Monday that ''there may be opportunities'' for Iraq in leaving Kuwait, including a permanent resolution of their longtime disputes over territory, money and oil, as well as settlement of ''the conflict that divides the Arabs from Israel.''

Bush insisted, however, that the world remains united behind the U.S. position that ''the annexation of Kuwait will not be permitted to stand.''

''But the world's key task - now, first and always - must be to demonstrate that aggression will not be tolerated or rewarded,'' Bush said.

U.S. officials denied Bush's speech represented any significant change in policy. But the mere mention of the Arab-Israel conflict signaled a shift in

approach.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said he would not call Bush's address to the General Assembly ''conciliatory.''

''I would not use the word conciliatory, but it is a very good speech which gives strong support to the positive trend (toward peace) in the world,'' Shevardnadze said.

Iraqi U.N. Ambassador Abdul Amir Al-Anbari said, ''We disagreed on everything he (Bush) said.''

''We remain hopeful that the crisis will be solved in a peaceful means,'' he said.

In other developments:

-Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said in an interview published by a French newspaper that if the U.N. embargo against Iraq fails, there will be no option to war.

-In Washington, the House debated a resolution supporting the Bush administration so far in the Persian Gulf. The measure applauds the deployment of troops and urges Bush to ''continue to emphasize the use of diplomatic and non-military means'' to end the crisis.

-The U.S. military identified two U.S. airmen killed Sunday in the gulf region as Maj. Peter Samuel Hook, 36, of Bishop, Calif., and Capt. James Bernard Poulet, 34, whose hometown was not released. They were killed when an Air Force F-15E fighter crashed during a training mission.

-In the Vatican, Pope John Paul II warned that wars ''never settle problems definitively.'' ''Only dialogue, respect for the rights of persons and peoples and collaboration among political leaders are capable of creating confidence and therefore security.''

-A ship left Elizabeth, N.J., with non-alcoholic beer for U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia. The Pentagon has barred U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia from having beer because of the Islamic prohibition against drinking.

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MANAGUA, NICARAGUA (OCT. 1) UPI - Thousands of Sandinista workers took a day off from work Monday to march through the streets to protest government economic policies, but the demonstrations were much smaller and more tranquil than what had been threatened.

Burning tires, a popular sign of Sandinista protest, marked intersections throughout the capital as some 2,000 workers marched to the Presidential House.

Protests and minor confrontations with police were also reported in various Managua neighborhoods and other parts of the country.

The protests, however, were scaled-down, apparently on the orders of the Sandinista leadership after meetings late last week with aides of President Violeta Chamorro, who is out of the country on a visit to the United Nations.

Thousands of police armed with riot gear and tear-gas guns formed a cordon around the Presidential House Monday, outnumbering the protesters who threw firecrackers and small noise bombs.

Like the protesters, the police are Sandinista supporters, and union chief Lucio Jimenez scolded some marchers for taunting the officers.

''They are not our enemies. They are our brothers,'' he told the crowd.

Other speakers called on the government to halt its plans to privatize industries, fire thousands of government workers and reduce the salaries of thousands of others.

''If there is not a national dialogue, we are going to have an insurrection,'' one speaker shouted.

A week earlier, the powerful Sandinista labor union proclaimed Oct. 1 a ''national day of protest,'' and rising tension in the country led to fears of renewed violence between Sandinista workers and supporters of Chamorro's National Opposition Union, or UNO.

But meetings between Presidential Minister Antonio Lacayo, Chamorro's top policy-maker, and former Sandinista President Daniel Ortega resulted in an agreement that the Sandinista Front would not allow the protests to escalate, observers said.

In return, the government agreed to postpone the lay-offs, temporarily cut utility prices and help ''create a climate'' that would bring the Sandinistas to a national dialogue that Chamorro proposed. The aim of the dialogue would be to find ways to reduce the impact of the austerity measures the government is implementing to boost the staggering economy.

Among the Sandinista Front's demands are a freeze on utility prices for three months, a halt to privatization of industries and lay-offs of state workers, and the creation of a fund to help the poor.

The Monday crowds chanted ''Popular power'' and carried banners reading ''We want an end to the exploitation of workers.''

On Sunday, the transmitter for the pro-Sandinista radio station La Primerisima was set on fire and destroyed, silencing the popular station.

In a small effort to make up for the loss, one Sandinista supporter marched through the streets Monday broadcasting news from a portable PA system, wearing a sombrero with the letters of the Sandinista Front and calling himself ''Backpack Radio.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - The dollar weakened Monday in New York trading as currency market players concluded that the Washington accord on cutting the U.S. budget deficit could hasten the lowering of short-term interest rates.

Currency traders said the dollar also fell on a report by purchasing managers showing the U.S. manufacturing economy at low ebb.

The budget accord ''has given the market some feeling that the Fed will have further room to ease,'' said Barclays Bank trader David Jaques. Yet, he added, ''the market has been relatively conservative about it.''

The Federal Reserve chairman, Alan Greenspan, links Congressional passage of ''credible and enforceable'' deficit-reducing legislation to a lowering of a key short-term interest rate the Fed indirectly controls.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.5575 German marks, down from 1.5660 marks Friday, and 136.60 Japanese yen, off from 138.53.

Lower interest rates tend to weaken the dollar by sending investors to other currencies in which higher yields are available. Yet traders and analysts said the market reaction was not entirely dollar-bearish.

Added Jim Merrill, senior international economist for the McCarthy, Crisanti & Maffei investment bank, ''I think the currency market is not clear on what the budget deal will mean for the dollar.''

On the one hand, Merrill said, the deficit pact could reduce domestic demand and lower interest rates, hurting the dollar. But it could boost the dollar by restoring confidence in management of the U.S. economy.

But Merrill said the immediate effect is more likely to be dollar- bearish.

The British pound ended at $1.8840, ahead from $1.8770.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2960 Swiss francs, off from 1.2975; 5.2190 French francs, down from 5.2400; and 1,167.25 Italian lire, off from 1,170.

In Europe, the dollar ended lower against the main currencies as participants looked for U.S. short-term interest rates to come down following the striking of the White House-Congress budget-cutting deal.

''The market is looking at a softer dollar because of the agreement,'' Midland Bank currency analyst Michael Janes said, adding that the dollar also fell in response to the poor U.S. manufacturing data.

In London, the pound moved up to $1.8890 vs. $1.8690 Friday.

The dollar closed lower in Frankfurt, at 1.5511 German marks vs. 1.5665, and in Zurich, at 1.2865 Swiss francs compared with 1.2980.

The dollar lost ground in Paris, Brussels, and Milan, at 5.1945 French francs vs. 5.2365, 31.93 Belgian francs vs. 32.25, and 1,162.55 lire vs. 1,170.70.

In Tokyo, the dollar fell against the yen as dollar-selling was fueled by the budget deficit agreement. It ended at 137.15 yen vs. 137.95.

Gold closed sharply lower in Zurich at $395.50 an ounce vs. $406.50, and was also off in London at $396.50 an ounce vs. $404.75.

Silver declined in Zurich to $4.75 an ounce vs. $4.80. It also lost ground in London, ending at $4.80 an ounce compared with $4.81.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $387 an ounce, down a whopping $16.75 an ounce from $403.75. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $386.60 an ounce, off $15.90 from from $402.50.

Silver remained unchanged in Zurich at $4.80 an ounce, but was slightly lower in London at $4.81 an ounce compared with $4.82.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.665 an ounce, off from $4.785. Comex silver finished trading at $4.61 an ounce, down from $4.761.

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WARSAW, POLAND (OCT. 1) UPI - President Wojciech Jaruzelski Monday signed into law measures that will effectively end his political life in Poland by providing for a new presidential election.

The action opens the way for the speaker of the lower house or Sejm to call a new election, expected to be held Nov. 25.

Gen. Jaruzelski, the former Communist Party chief and prime minister who is nevertheless remembered by most Poles as the man who imposed martial law in

1981, had been under heavy pressure to step down despite the fact his term did not expire until 1994 on grounds he was out of step with the times.

''I accept this as an act of relief,'' Jaruzelski said when asked by the Polish news agency PAP how he felt about signing the bills. ''I am happy that I could do this.''

Asked what kind of president he saw in his place, he replied, ''This should be a man who would unite the nation.''

''This should be a wise man and at the same time an energetic one, a bold and considerate man who would be capable of pursuing difficult tasks in these difficult times,'' he said.

Solidarity leader Lech Walesa announced his candidacy for president even before parliament debated the new election bills.

Solidarity Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, who has come under increasing criticism by Walesa, may also run but has not yet announced his decision.

There had been growing dissatisfaction with the current political setup, which was a result of the historic round-table agreement in the spring of 1989 in which the ruling Communist Party and the then-illegal Solidarity union agreed to hold partially free elections.

The elections that June produced a stunning victory for Solidarity- backed candidates, but they were able to run for only 35 percent of the seats in the lower house or Sejm, and the presidents chair was reserved for Jaruzelski.

Walesa Monday received an honorary doctorate degree during a ceremony inaugurating the new academic year at the Nicolas Copernicus University in Torun.

That was followed by a rally in the medieval Old Market Place in which about 6,000 people cheered his candidacy.

''Free elections will tell me where I am,'' he told the crowd. ''It will put me into the (presidential) post, or will tell me, stop.''

Someone in the crowd asked whether Walesa would ''free Poland from the red spiders,'' referring to the communist bureaucrats who remain in office.

''If somebody took something, he will have to give it back, but there will be no general responsibility,'' he said, indicating that communists with good records will not be sacked.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - The Dow industrials surged back above the 2500 level in heavy trading Monday, riding a wave of bullish factors to post their second-biggest gain of the year.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which jumped 25.00 Friday, soared 63.36 to close at 2515.84. The biggest gain of the year came Aug. 27, when the blue-chip average surged 78.71.

A gain of more than 50 points at late morning triggered the New York Stock Exchange's rule curbing program buying. Under the rule, computerized trades in stocks can only be made at a price equal to or lower than the previous trade.

Among broader market gauges, the NYSE composite index jumped 4.37 to 172.22 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index bolted 8.89 to 314.94. The price of an average share surged 76 cents.

Advances pounded declines 1,197-435 among the 1,998 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to 202,210,000 shares, compared with 201, 037,360 shares Friday.

Analysts said a myriad of factors weighed in the stock market's favor Monday:the accord on cutting the federal budget deficit reached over the weekend, a plunge in crude oil prices, a rally in Treasury bonds and, perhaps most importantly, its very depressed levels before the opening bell.

Before scoring a narrowly based 25-point rally Friday, the Dow had plunged to 2427.48 - its lowest level since May 11, 1989 - largely because of the runup in oil prices since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

''The market was up because we had the preconditions for a good rally,'' said Alfred Goldman, market strategist at A.G. Edwards & Sons Inc. in St. Louis.

''As of Friday, the Dow was down 22 percent in 10 weeks (from mid- July highs near 3000), and many big-name, big-capitalization stocks were down 30 to 35 percent,'' Goldman said. ''We had a washout in the market, and that set us up for this knee-jerk bounce.''

Goldman dismissed the effect of the budget-cutting compromise reached by theBush administration and congressional leaders over the weekend on Monday's rally, saying: ''There's nothing to like about the budget. If you smoke, drink or drive you're in trouble.''

He was referring to the proposed tax increases contained in the plan, specifically higher levies on tobacco, alcohol and gasoline. ''People would have been upset with the budget if the market were up,'' Goldman said.

Other analysts said the market responded to what has driven it for the last

two months - oil prices. After closing in on $40 a barrel last week, November crude oil futures plunged $2.42 to $37.09 a barrel, pressured by new hints of a possible peaceful solution in the Mideast.

President Saddam Hussein said in a statement read on Iraqi television Sunday that he was interested in discussing a French proposal calling for the opening of a dialogue in return for Iraq's statement of ''intention'' to withdraw from Kuwait and to free Western hostages.

Crude's move downward took Treasury bond yields with it, which also bolstered stocks, traders said.

''The main thing was the lower oil prices,'' said Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King & Associates in Albany, N.Y. He also mentioned that many money managers typically choose the first day of a new quarter to begin putting funds to work.

''I think the budget was really only a small portion of the upside here today '' said Doran, ''and only because there was some agreement, averting the Gramm-Rudman, across-the-board, 'Where's the unemployment line?'-type cuts.''

Sharp automatic spending cuts called for by the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law would have taken effect Monday if there were no agreement.

On the trading floor, Philip Morris was the most active issue, rallying 2 1/2 to 47 3/4.

Pepsico followed, up 1 5/8 to 24 5/8. General Electric was third, up 1 3/4 to 56 1/4.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T jumped 1 3/8 to 32 1/4, IBM rallied 2 5/8 to 109, American Express climbed 1 1/2 to 22 3/8, Eastman Kodak rose 1 1/8 to 39 5/8, Merck surged 4 1/8 to 80 1/4, Coca-Cola jumped 2 1/8 to 41 5/8 and McDonald's advanced 1 1/8 to 27.

Not surprisingly, oil issues were one of the market's few generally declining stock groups. Texaco fell 7/8 to 60 3/8 and Chevron lost 3/8 to 73 5/8, but Exxon rose 5/8 to 49 5/8, among the Dow components. Elsewhere, Amoco lost 1 to 55 3/4, Mobil edged up 1/4 to 63 1/8 and Amerada Hess tumbled 1 to 50.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 235,957,110 shares, compared with 236,925,440 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices rose in heavy trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index added 0.71 to 308.44. Advances led declines 322-265 among the 811 issues traded. The price of an average share rose 2

cents. Composite volume totaled 19,388,730 shares, compared with 20,714,930 traded Friday.

Salomon's put warrants on the Tokyo Stock Exchange's Nikkei index led the Amex issues, down 1/2 to 20 5/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index soared 10.15 to 354.66.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - Conservative House Republicans revolted Monday against President Bush and the $500 billion deficit reduction plan he struck with congressional leaders, with one conservative saying Democrats ''extorted'' Bush into the deal.

''I have looked at the package ... and it is my conclusion that it will kill jobs, weaken the economy, that the tax increase would be counterproductive and that it is not a package that I could support,'' said assistant House Republican leader Newt Gingrich of Georgia after Republicans were briefed on the plan by top administration officials.

''I think that we need to do better than this,'' said Gingrich, surrounded by like-minded colleagues.

But while conservative House Republicans were abandoning the deficit reduction ship, Senate Republicans were climbing aboard and predicting passage despite the plan's call for $134 billion in new taxes over five years and its lack of a capital gains tax cut.

''We'd be damn fools is we didn't approve this - the alternative is worse,'' said Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, after he and about 25 other Senate Republicans were briefed on the plan's details by administration officials.

White House chief of staff John Sununu said after briefing GOP senators that ''I think we'll get well over the majority'' to support the plan. Senators said the same thing.

''It's like drinking a gallon of castor oil but we're going to pass it,'' said Sen. John Warner, R-Va. ''No one got up and shook his fist at it.''

''Does everybody dislike something in this package? Yes, but nobody has anything better,'' added Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M.

The alternative to a successful budget deal is imposition of up to $105.7 billion in automatic Gramm-Rudman law spending cuts.

The cuts, which had been set to begin taking effect Monday, were at least temporarily avoided when Bush and congressional leaders announced Sunday a deal to raise taxes and cut spending to slash the deficit by $40 billion in fiscal year 1991, which began Monday, and $500 billion over five years.

It was unclear Monday if Gingrich's view was shared by the majority of House Republicans or if the package was in danger of failing there when a vote is taken later in the week.

Budget negotiators decided a deal must be backed by a majority of both parties in both houses to prevent one from blaming the other a month before the election for the painful political choices in the plan.

Vice President Dan Quayle lobbied for support at the House GOP meeting.

''I felt a little bit like your friendly dentist, applying a lot of novacaine and trying to extract a few votes,'' Quayle said afterwards. ''We're not there yet but I believe when all the details are known that you will find support in the Republican caucus for the budget compromise.''

Conservatives felt otherwise.

Rep. Bill McCollum, R-Fla., who said he would oppose it, called the plan ''a pro-Democrat negotiated budget deal'' and said Bush ''got the short stick in this whole process.''

''I think the Demcrats basically extorted the president into accepting a recession pacakge,'' said Rep. Duncan Hunter, R-Calif. ''That's precisely what it is and we should vote it down.''

Conservative Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said he spoke on Monday to some House conservatives to try to rally support and to get them to ask themselves, ''Are you here to protest or are you here to govern?''

''I don't want to tell my grandchildren that America went to hell but I voted against it every step of the way,'' Gramm said.

Rep. Silvio Conte, R-Mass., said Bush, in New York, was phoning House Republicans seeking support.

There was Democratic dissention as well Monday.

''This tax deal stinks,'' Rep. James Traficant, D-Ohio, said on the House floor. ''Let me remind this body that mom and dad, the beer drinkers, didn't get us into this mess. It was champagne guzzlers in the Pentagon and today they're laughing their brass off.''

He was referring to the sharp increase in taxes on alcoholic beverages

containined in the deficit plan.

''I do not think the agreement meets the fairness test and I will have to oppose the agreement'' said Rep. Joseph Brennan, D-Maine. ''It results in an unfair burden being placed on the backs of working class Americans and is especially tough on our older citgizens.''

Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., said he would be surprised ''if this package isn't defeated at least once. But I'll also be surprised if, at some point, it isn't passed.''

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine urged President Bush to address the nation ''to prepare the public for the difficult'' consequences of the budget agreement and to spur grassroots pressure on Congress.

Mitchell said he was working ''virtually full time'' convincing Democrats to back the deal.

He said some Democrats felt they party was ''giving away too much'' in the deal.

House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said opposition in his party produces ''some degree of concern'' about the plan's chances in the House.

In Chicago, Chairman Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., of the House Ways and Means Committee said he would seek unspecified amendments to the plan.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 435.73, up 2.50 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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HOLLYWOOD (OCT. 1) UPI - The landlord nightmare-thriller ''Pacific Heights'' took a lease on first place at the nation's box office in its debut, taking in $6.9 million over the weekend at 1,278 screens.

But Columbia's ''Texasville,'' a sequel to the critically acclaimed 1971 hit ''The Last Picture Show,'' opened weakly with a weekend gross of $823,534 at 354 screens.

''Pacific Heights,'' a kind of ''Fatal Attraction'' of the real estate

business, boasts considerable star power with Melanie Griffith and Matthew Modine as the landlords and Michael Keaton as the tenant from hell.

Twentieth Century Fox may score another No. 1 hit next weekend with the release of the newest Steven Seagal action film, ''Marked for Death.'' Seagal's last movie, another slam-banger called ''Hard to Kill, '' was a surprise hit this spring.

The gritty mobster drama ''GoodFellas,'' which debuted last weekend at the No. 1 spot, came in second at the box office with a strong $5.9 million weekend at 1,291 screens. Long-term prospects for the film, starring Robert De Niro and Ray Liotta, look healthy as its gross fell off only moderately after its $6.4 million debut weekend.

''GoodFellas'' has lifted $14.9 million from moviegoers in 10 days for Warner Bros.

''Ghost,'' due to become the year's biggest hit, continued to hover at the No. 3 spot with $5.4 million at 1,766 screens over the weekend, an impressive 6 percent improvement from last weekend's gross.

''Ghost'' has scared up $155.3 million in 12 weeks for Paramount and trails only Disney's ''Pretty Woman'' among this year's top movies. ''Pretty Woman'' has grossed $173.5 million in 29 weeks and was still showing at 851 screens last week.

''Postcards From the Edge,'' which opened at No. 1 two weeks ago, delivered $4.1 million at 1,323 screens for the No. 4 spot. The show-biz comedy, starring Meryl Streep and Shirley MacLaine as a chemically- dependent daughter and mother, has taken in $23.2 million in less than three weeks for Columbia.

Columbia's train thriller ''Narrow Margin,'' starring Gene Hackman and Anne Archer, derailed in its second weekend with a sharp decline to $1.96 million at 1,253 screens and wound up in fifth place. It has grossed $6.6 million in 10 days.

Outer-space cop movie ''I Come in Peace'' received a chilly welcome in its debut weekend, with $1.95 million at 1,013 screens for Triumph, and landed in sixth place.

MGM/UA's ''Death Warrant'' slugged its way into seventh with $1.88 million at 1,077 screens to bring its three-week gross to $11.8 million.

Life-after-death drama ''Flatliners,'' starring Julia Roberts and Kiefer Sutherland, descended from seventh to eighth with $1.67 million at 1,435 screens. Its eight-week total has hit a lively $53.7 million for Columbia.

Gene Wilder's latest comedy ''Funny About Love'' nearly disappeared in its

second weekend with a tepid $1.64 million take at 1,213 screens, giving it a 10-day gross of $5.3 million for Paramount.

Courtroom drama ''Presumed Innocent'' fell to No. 10 from No. 8 with $1.4 million over the weekend at 1,097 theaters. ''Presumed'' performed persuasively in the late summer for Warner, and has grossed $80.6 million in 10 weeks.

The top 10, weekend gross, total gross and weeks in release:

1. ''Pacific Heights,'' $6.9 million, 1 week.
2. ''GoodFellas,'' $5.9 million, $14.9 million, 2 weeks.
3. ''Ghost,'' $5.4 million, $155.3 million, 12 weeks.
4. ''Postcards From the Edge,'' $4.1 million, $23.2 million, 3 weeks.
5. ''Narrow Margin,'' $1.96 million, $6.6 million, 2 weeks.
6. ''I Come in Peace,'' $1.95 million, 1 week.
7. ''Death Warrant,'' $1.88 million, $11.8 million, 3 weeks.
8. ''Flatliners,'' $1.67 million, $53.7 million, 8 weeks.
9. ''Funny About Love,'' $1.64 million, $5.3 million, 2 weeks.
10. ''Presumed Innocent,'' $1.4 million, $80.6 million, 10 weeks.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 1) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Affliated Fund 9.12 9.78

Anchor Fund Inv	14.30	15.17
Delaware Mutual	16.60	17.80
Fidelity Fund	16.05	16.05
Investors Mutual	10.58	11.14
Investors Stocks	17.75	18.68
Investors Select	8.28	8.71
IDS Equity Plus	8.66	9.12
Mass Inv Growth	8.02	8.65
Nicholas Fund	3.21	3.21
United Accumulated	6.11	6.68
United Income	16.37	17.89
Vanguard Wellington	unavailable	

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 1) UPI - President Bush said Monday he supports U.N. membership for South Korea and would not object if North Korea also enters the United Nations simultaneously with the south.

In the first indication that Washington would not use its veto in the Security Council against North Korea, Bush told the U.N. General Assembly that he

believed in the ''universal U.N. membership'' for all states to reduce regional tension.

''The United States fully supports U.N. membership for the Republic of Korea '' he said.

''We do so without prejudice to the ultimate objective of reunification of the Korean peninsula, and without opposition to the simultaneous membership for the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.''

South Korea's Foreign Minister Choi Ho-Joong told United Press International during a break in the General Assembly session, ''We cannot expect a better speech from President Bush.''

Any countries wishing to enter the United Nations must be approved first by the 15-nation Security Council where the five permanent members - the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain, China and France - can veto their applications. A favorable recommendation by the council would be automatically approved by the General Assembly's 160 member states.

South Korea has sought U.N. admission for years, but it was opposed mostly by China. North Korea opposed separate admissions and insisted that Korea becomes a U.N. member after reunification of the peninsula, divided since 1945.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - Prices for crude oil plunged by more than $2 a barrel and for gasoline by nearly 5 cents a gallon Monday after Iraq indicated over the weekend it would like to explore a resolution of the Persian Gulf crisis.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery ended the day down $2.42 from Friday's close to $37.09 a barrel after trading as low as $35.85 a barrel.

As a result, stock prices closed sharply higher on the New York Stock Exchange with the Dow Jones industrial average rising by 63.36 points.

Unleaded gasoline for November delivery fell 4.8 cents to 93.91 cents a gallon after trading as low as 91.5 cents a gallon and declined the Merc's 3 cent limit for later-month contracts.

Unleaded is still 29.6 cents, or 46.1 percent, higher than it was prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait.

November-delivery home heating oil dropped 5.89 cents to $1.0003 a gallon, still 38.84 cents, or 63.5 percent higher than its Aug. 1 price. It also fell the 3 cent limit for later-month contracts.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent dropped $2.30 to $38.50 a barrel.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - declined $1.55 to $33.80 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt-delivery WTI was down $2.45 to $37.05 a barrel.

Since the start of the Persian Gulf crisis triggered by the Iraqi invasion, traders have been in the habit of moving heavily to buy positions on Friday in fear a war might break out over the weekend.

Prices fell as the result of ''another weekend without war and a few whispers of a potential peaceful solution in the Persian Gulf,'' said Kirk Kinnear of Salomon Brothers' Phibro division in Greenwich, Conn.

A statement by President Bush that oil prices are too high also helped, the trader said.

''That's been the pattern for Mondays - we relax after Friday's rumors of a war starting over the weekend,'' said James Steel of Refco Inc. in New York.

''I'd like to see market forces determine it (the price of oil), rather than excessive speculation, and I'm confident that in the long run supply and demand will set the price,'' Bush said.

''There's speculation in some futures markets, but I have no plans to intervene in the market or anything of that nature,'' Bush told reporters following a U.N. speech.

In the speech, Bush held out the prospect of a peaceful outcome to the Persian Gulf crisis in an offer of political and economic incentives for Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein to get out of Kuwait.

''Just the fact nothing happened over the weekend, plus the fact Iraqi President Saddam Hussein made more peaceful statements, plus the possible approval by Congress of the release of 15 million barrels of crude from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, is moving the market down,'' said Tom Bentz, trading director of United Energy Inc. in New York.

The downward move, however, was seen by Bentz as ''only a temporary correction in the market.''

Saddam said Sunday that Iraq would seek to open discussions with France on the basis of settlement terms French President Francois Mitterrand offered last week in a U.N. speech.

In Paris, however, the French government denied Saddam's assertion that Baghdad and Paris had established special contacts to discuss the crisis.

In his U.N. speech, Mitterrand had said all the issues brought up by Saddam, including demands for setting up a Palestinian homeland, could be discussed once Iraq withdrew from occupied Kuwait.

The official Iraqi News Agency Monday said that Saddam had ordered nine French hostages released and that they could ''leave Iraq together with a delegation of the French-Iraqi friendship society'' now in Baghdad.

Last week, the oil market only shrugged when Bush announced he would use the power of new legislation to release 5 million barrels of crude to test the nation's reserve.

Congress is now expected, however, to approve the release of 15 million barrels after Energy Secretary James Watkins testified Thursday that 5 million barrels was not sufficient to test the system.

Analysts have said such a release would be enough to affect prices on oil markets.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - The U-S Supreme Court agreed today to rule in a California case limiting the time a person can be detained by police without probable cause. At issue is whether the civil rights of a person arrested without a warrant are being violated because they are being detained without a ''prompt'' probable cause hearing. The case stemmed from a 1987 class- action suit filed by Donald Lee McLaughlin against Riverside County. .

In another action today, the high court decided NOT to intervene in a case blocking inter-racial adoption. At issue is whether state agencies may consider race as a factor in making adoption placement decisions without violating equal protection laws. The court rejected arguments by Lisa and Ronald Wilson, who contended that Kentucky's Cabinet for Human Resources rejected their request to adopt a child of mixed race because they are white.

A judicial inquiry opened in Scotland today into the 1988 terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103. Air traffic controller Alan Topp testified that the last tragic seconds of Flight 103 were recorded as a blip on a radar screen that split into ''four or five'' pieces, then disappeared. The Boeing-747 was blown out of the sky while en route to New York from Frankfurt, West Germany. All 259 people aboard and 11 on the ground were killed.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - Prosecutors in Santa Monica, California, today sought to delay the murder trial of actor Marlon Brando's son, Christian, saying they need more time to subpoena his half sister in Tahiti to testify against him. The trial is scheduled to begin next week. Deputy District Attorney Steven Barshop told reporters- quote- ''We need the additional time to get Cheyenne Brando to return to the U-S by all legal means.''

The man who commanded the U-S nuclear deterrent during the height of the Cold War is dead at the age of 83. A spokesman says Air Force General Curtis LeMay died this morning of cardiac arrest at the 22nd Strategic Hospital at California's March Air Force Base. LeMay was regarded as the father of the Strategic Air Command. He was at the helm of SAC when its nuclear-armed bombers were aloft around the clock in the 1950's and '60's. He also ran unsuccessfully for vice president on a ticket headed by Alabama Governor George Wallace in 1968.

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TILLAMOOK, Ore. (OCT. 1) UPI - U.S. and Canadian naval ships aided by the Coast Guard found more debris Monday but no sign of three missing crewmen from a U.S. Navy helicopter that crashed into the Pacific Ocean off the Oregon coast.

The SH-60B Lamps Mark III helicopter plummeted into the ocean about 30 miles west of Tillamook at 7:36 p.m. Sunday as it was making an emergency approach for a landing aboard its ship, the guided missile frigate USS Crommelin, Navy officials said.

Missing at sea were pilot Lt. Cmdr. Paul K. Miller, 36, a native of Elgin, Ill.; co-pilot Ens. Timothy E. Hanusin, 27, of Niagra Falls, N.Y.; and aviation anti-submarine warfare Operator 2nd Class William R. Nolte, 25, of Minneapolis. All three were San Diego-area residents, the Navy reported.

The helicopter was part of Light Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron 43, based at North Island Naval Air Station in San Diego, and was assigned to the Crommelin, based at Long Beach, Calif. They were taking part in a joint U.S.-Canadian anti-submarine warfare exercise.

The cause of the crash was under investigation, authorities said.

Low clouds hampered visibility as the search for the crew continued through the night. The effort involved four U.S. Navy ships, one Canadian Navy vessel and a Coast Guard helicopter, joined Monday by more Coast Guard units.

Some debris was found Sunday night and more Monday but no trace of the crew,

said Coast Guard Cmdr. Ron Larsen in Tillamook. Visibility was reported at just 200 feet in places and a mile in others overnight, he said.

''They are picking up quite a bit of debris,'' said Coast Guard Petty Officer Chris Buell. ''They will keep searching at least until dark.'' Intermittent storm fronts were moving through the area, Buell said.

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BUCHAREST, Romania (OCT. 1) UPI - Romanian students returned to universities in the capital Monday, but for many of them the burdens of academia will have to take a back seat to the more pressing problem of finding a place to live.

At least 10 percent of the city's 30,000 university students are virtually homeless because of a lack of dormitories and a critical shortage of other housing in the capital, government and university officials said.

The housing crunch is especially severe this year because of the opening of several new schools, including one that bills itself as the first ecological university in Europe.

Despite the official start of the fall term Monday, a university governing board has announced that classes would be postponed a week, until Oct. 7, partly because of the housing crisis.

Student unions are threatening to call a boycott of classes next week to protest the lack of adequate dorm space. The government, meanwhile, is anxious to avoid a resurgence of student unrest that sparked some of the worst crises since the overthrow of communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu.

After leading the revolt against Ceausescu in December, students played a key role in a 7-week-long anti-government demonstration in Bucharest in the spring. Many students also were involved in two days of anti-government violence after police broke up the marathon protest June 13.

The police crackdown has caused some to be cynical about the government and skeptical of the value of further protests.

''Our dreams were broken in June,'' said Emil Tudor, 23, a languages student.

''We're tired. In the beginning we hoped things would change a lot. Now we're confused. Not much has changed,'' said a medical student, Ioana Draghici, 22.

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DUMFRIES, SCOTLAND (OCT. 1) UPI - The last tragic seconds of Pan Am Flight

103 were recorded as a blip on a radar screen that split into ''four or five'' pieces, then disappeared, an air-traffic controller said Monday.

''I remember that period extremely well in terms of emotion,'' said Alan Topp. ''I was worried at the time. But I couldn't prove one thing or another.''

Topp testified on the first day of a Scottish judicial inquiry into the terrorist bombing nearly two years ago of the Boeing 747 en route from Frankfurt, West Germany, to New York after stopping in London.

The Fatal Accident Inquiry will not seek to determine criminal responsibility for the deaths of the 259 people who were aboard the plane and 11 people on the ground in Lockerbie, Scotland. That issue is being handled by police and various international agencies.

The panel will consider events leading up to the attack, including whether proper security precautions were carried out at London's Heathrow Airport.

The inquiry is being held at Easterbrook Hall on the grounds of Crichton Royal Hospital, Dumfries, 12 miles from where the plane fell to the ground in chunks of tangled metal.

Nine American attorneys, representing the relatives of some of the 188 U.S. citizens who were killed, were among the more than 45 lawyers present at the hearing.

Among the other attorneys were ones representing Pan American World Airways, the British Airport Authority, the Civil Aviation authority, the Department of Transport, Hull War Risks Insurance, which insured the aircraft, and George Esson, chief constable of Dumfries and Galloway, who is in charge of the separate criminal investigation.

Topp, a controller for 24 years, was on duty at the Scottish Air Traffic Control Center at Prestwick, on Dec. 21, 1988.

Just before 7 p.m., Topp said he knew Pan Am Flight 103 was coming into his air space - he had been warned 15 to 20 minutes earlier. The plane climbed to 31,000 feet just north of Manchester, then was handed over to him by another controller.

Topp said it was normal for a New York-bound aircraft to fly over south Scotland to take advantage of favorable winds across the Atlantic Ocean.

''When I first saw the aircraft on radar it was at 31,000 feet. I asked the captain to identify himself. There was nothing amiss. I gave him his routing which had already been defined by Oceanic Control.''

Topp said he watched the aircraft intently as there was other traffic in the

area.

''Suddenly, the response disappeared off the screen,'' he said. ''Instead, there were four or five contacts.''

The air-traffic controller said he thought the disintegration - at 7:03 p.m. - was an effect that could occur on a radar screen when an aircraft was flying directly above a radar station.

Topp said he tried several times to make voice contact with the aircraft without success. He also tried to make contact though a KLM aircraft in the area, but there was no response.

Topp said he called Galloway Radar, in the same building, and spoke to a controller, asking him, ''You see my clipper 103 in all that melee?''

A transcript of the conversation, produced in evidence, ended with Topp saying ''Oh dear!''

The last person to speak to the crew was Thomas Fraser, an air traffic services assistant. He called the aircraft to respond to a request for clearance. The flight's planning controller replied, '''Go ahead,' in a perfectly normal voice,'' Fraser testified.

Fraser then provided the clearance.

''At that point he would normally have come back to acknowledge and, of course he did not. It's not unusual for aircraft to have a radio blind spot. I tried three times and asked another aircraft to try. I then learned from another air traffic controller there was a problem.''

The court was shown a videotape of the flight's progress on the radar screen, appearing as a small square. A cross in the square disappeared, meaning the plane's transponder signal had stopped working. The original square then reappeared as four or five squares.

''The loss of the signal is a fairly common thing,'' said Topp. ''And primary responses can appear on the screen when there is nothing wrong. I was aware something was not going quite right but I wasn't aware of the disaster at this stage.

''I can remember I was extremely worried about the status of 103. I had my eyes on the tube all the time. ... I had never seen anything like this before. I now know the aircraft was separating.''

(OCT. 1) UPI - Falling oil prices, prospects for lower short term interest rates and speculation of a peaceful solution to the Middle East crisis sent stock prices surging Monday on most major global stock exchanges.

Analysts in New York said stocks climbed on key world markets shortly after President Bush denounced Iraqi president Saddam Hussein as an international outcast who plundered Kuwait.

But the President also offered Baghdad hope that relinquishing its grasp on its Persian Gulf neighbor could spur negotiations for Israeli withdrawal from land once held by the Arabs.

The president's speech to the United Nations General Assembly sent oil and gold prices lower and stocks higher, analysts said. However, stocks dropped on the world's largest stock exchange in Tokyo, reaching their lowest level in over 3 1/2 years.

Oil prices had risen almost 80 percent since the Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Analysts also said world oil prices fell amid speculation the U.S. Congress will release more oil from the U.S. reserve.

Market watchers in New York said stocks also benefited from speculation of lower short term interest rates following Sunday's agreement by Bush and congressional leaders to trim $500 billion from the federal deficit over the next five years.

The plan fueled expectations in markets of lower interest rates, analysts said noting the deficit cut would theoretically lead to fewer borrowers in the marketplace, a factor that should lower short-term interest rates.

Dennis Jarrett, chief market strategist at Kidder, Peabody & Co. in New York said ''we're starting to see a little enthusiasm again ... certainly the market is suggesting in the short term that the pressure is to the upside.''

In New York, stocks closed broadly higher on the New York Stock Exchange and the American Stock Exchange. The Dow Jones industrial average, which gained 25.00 points Friday, surged 65.36 points to 2515.84.

In Europe, stocks closed sharply higher on the London International Stock Exchange, boosted largely by institutional investors purchasing blue-chip stocks.

The Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 18.9 points Friday, surged 40.6 points to 2,030.8.

In Frankfurt, the closely watched German Stock Index, which tumbled 19.19

points Friday, closed up 85.84 points - or 6.43 percent - to 1, 420.73.

Traders in Frankfurt said stocks surged amid speculation Saddam may be looking for a peaceful way out of the gulf crisis.

In Stockholm, the Swedish Affarsvarlden General Index, which tumbled 15 percent last week, rebounded 47.3 points - or 5.2 percent - to 957.3.

In Paris, the CAC-40 Index climbed 3.29 percent.

Elsewhere in Europe, stocks climbed in Zurich, Amsterdam, Madrid, Milan and Brussels.

In Asia, stocks closed higher on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. The Hang Seng Index climbed 30.44 points to 2,791.26.

In Bangkok, stocks closed higher on the Thailand Stock Exchange. The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index gained 12.83 points to 654.39.

Stocks also closed higher in Singapore, as bargain hunters pushed the Straits Times Industrial Index up 4.76 points to 1,103.44.

But stocks continued to nosedive in Tokyo as panic-stricken investors unloaded investments for the fifth consecutive session.

The Tokyo Stock Exchange's Nikkei Average, which plunged 788.41 points Friday, lost another 761.64 points, or 3.6 percent, to 20,221.86 points - its lowest close since Feb. 25, 1987.

Only a promise from Japan's Ministry of Finance to ease margin requirements - the deposit required to purchase stocks - saved the Nikkei from closing below 20,000 points, analysts said.

Stocks also fell sharply in the Philippines as prices on the Manila Stock Exchange fell to their lowest level in 3 1/2 years.

The Philippine Composite Price Index fell 11.05 points, or 2 percent, to 535.5 points - its lowest close since April 8, 1987.

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MEXICO CITY, Mexico (OCT. 1) UPI - A Cuban prisoner serving 30 years for arms theft, kidnapping and assault charges escaped from a hospital and took refuge in the Canadian Embassy in Havana, the official Cuban news agency said Monday.

In a dispatch monitored in Mexico City, Prensa Latina said Orlando Dominguez

was recovering from an operation at an orthopedic clinic near the embassy when he eluded security over the weekend and entered the diplomatic mission.

Prensa Latina said Dominguez had injected petroleum into his arm to feign illness, and that doctors had been forced to amputate the infected limb.

The agency said the Cuban foreign ministry was negotiating with Canadian officials and expected Dominguez to be turned over to Cuban authorities.

Dominguez had been in jail since 1983 after a death sentence for his part in the kidnapping of two American tourists was reduced to a 30-year prison term. The agency described his offenses as ''counterrevolutionary crimes.''

Prensa Latina said members of the group stole weapons from a shooting range and used them to kidnap the two tourists in central Cuba, demanding permission to leave the country. Dominguez shot and wounded one of the tourists when Cuban authorities rejected the group's demands.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The House, spurred by the memory of the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103, passed legislation Monday to reinforce the fight against airline terrorism with more security, intelligence activities and money.

''This bill is a monumental step forward'' in the U.S. fight against terrorism Rep. James Oberstar, D-Minn, told a nearly vacant House.

But a woman whose 21-year-old son was killed when the PanAm jumbo jet was blown out of the skies over Lockerbie, Scotland, pronounced the legislation little more than ''a start'' toward ensuring an end to terrorism aboard U.S. airliners.

The bill, passed on a voice vote without dissent, was sent to the Senate, where approval was expected.

The measure is an outgrowth of a presidential commission's findings in May that the Dec. 21, 1988, bombing of Flight 103 ''may well have been'' prevented had stricter security precautions been in effect at airports in Frankfurt, West Germany, where the flight originated, and London, where passengers changed to a bigger plane for the trans- Atlantic leg.

All 259 passengers and crew aboard the Boeing 747, many of them students returning home for Christmas, died when about a pound of Semtex plastic explosives hidden in a suitcase detonated. Another 11 people died on the ground.

The 747 exploded two weeks after the State Department warned of a terrorist

strike against a Pan Am flight from Frankfurt. The warning came six months after the U.S. cruiser Vincennes mistakenly shot down an Air Iran Airbus A-300 as it flew over the Persian Gulf, killing all 290 people abaord.

The Pan Am bomber has not been found.

The House bill adopts many of the commission's recommendations, authorizing $7 million for aviation anti-terrorism measures, seeking public notification of terrorist threats, bolstering anti-terrorism intelligence activities and providing monetary compensation to the victims of terrorism.

It does not authorize the death penalty for those who commit air terrorism, which prompted Rep. Porter Goss, D-Calif., to complain on the House floor that ''it's not fair to say this bill does everything it could do'' to prevent air terrorism.

An 11th hour compromise with the Bush administration over the naming of a new official to head up air security efforts helped the measure to passage.

Originally, the bill sought the creation of an assistant transportation secretary of security and intelligence to deal with all government intelligence agencies about terrorism.

But Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner already had appointed retired Coast Guard Adm. Clyde Robbins as his director of security and intelligence with the same powers. Skinner opposed the bill's provision for an assistant secretary because, Obestar said, he viewed it ''as undermining his prerogatives as secretary.''

Rep. William Clinger Jr., R-Pa., worked out the compromise in which the directorship now held by Robbins will be made a permanent position that will report directly to the transportation secretary, officials said.

''It's only because of those changes that (Skinner) agreed'' to drop his opposition, an administration official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Kathleen Flynn of McLean, Va., and Rosemary Wolfe of Alexandria, Va., sat in the House visitors' gallery to watch the proceedings. They had tracked the bill from its inception. John Flynn, 21, and Miriam Wolfe, 20, were passengers on Pan Am 103.

''I don't think it does enough, but it's a start,'' Flynn said of the bill.

''One thing that's needed is public oversight,'' Wolfe said. ''The ideal would be to have one person in charge'' so that all of the information about terrorist threats and security systems would be centrally located.

Sixteen days before the flight, an anonymous caller to the U.S. Embassy in Helsinki warned that a Finnish woman would carry a bomb aboard a Pan Am plane flying from Frankurt to the United States.

The State Department distributed a bulletin to its embassies worldwide, but the information was posted publicly only in the Moscow embassy.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Hotel Investors Trust				
Increased				
First Illinois Corp	Q	.13	12-3	11-16
Initial				
New York Bancorp	Q	.25	10-25	10-11
Reduced				
Koger Equity Inc	Q	.32 1/2	12-28	11-30
Koger Properties Inc	..	.25	1-22	12-28
Distribution				
Zweig Total Return	M	.07	10-24	10-11
Usual				
Acme-Cleveland Corp	Q	.10	11-16	11-2
Armco Inc	Q	.10	10-16	10-9
Bankers Corp	Q	.11	10-30	10-15
Central Vermont PSC	Q	.52	11-15	10-31
Federated Bank	Q	.09	11-12	10-22
Natl City Corp	Q	.47	11-1	10-18
Nevada Power Co	Q	.40	11-1	10-11
RAC Income Fund Inc	M	.10 1/2	11-1	10-12
Sterling Chemicals	..	.25	10-24	10-12

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - Nearly two months after Iraq invaded Kuwait and President Bush ordered American troops to Saudi Arabia, the House went on record Monday in support of the administration's actions so far in the Persian

Gulf.

By a 380-29 tally, with Democrats casting all the dissenting votes, the House approved a resolution applauding the deployment of troops in response to Iraqi aggression and urging the president to ''continue to emphasize the use of diplomatic and non-military means'' to resolve the crisis.

The resolution, like a similar one to be considered by the Senate Tuesday, reflects the desire of many in Congress to do something about the Persian Gulf crisis without doing too much - namely, authorizing future military action.

Congress has the power under the Constitution to declare war and it has the ability under the War Powers Act to force the president to bring troops home. In this case, the House opted to show its support but keep its options open.

''The legitimate question could be asked: 'What's next? What about tomorrow?' This resolution does not address that,'' said Rep. Dante Fascell, D-Fla., House Foreign Affairs Committee chairman.

''The purpose of the resolution is to show that the Congress has acted affirmatively,'' he said. ''The hottest places in hell are reserved for those who in times of crisis remain silent. Congress chooses not to remain silent.''

Fascell said Congress could have shown its support for Operation Desert Shield simply by continuing to finance it, but that the responsible course was to also join with the president in taking responsiblity for the deployment.

''There was a time when I was concerned that Congress would be the only institution in the world outside of the governments of Libya and Cuba that would fail to support the president's policies in the gulf,'' said Rep. William Broomfield, R-Mich., ranking Republican on the Foreign Affairs Committee.

But Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., maintained that it would be irresponsible for Congress to adopt the resolution, saying, ''I oppose it not so much for what it says, but for what it doesn't say.''

What it does not say is that hostilities in the gulf are ''imminent,'' a situation that would trigger provisions in the War Powers Act under which Congress can act to continue or to end a deployment of troops.

Bush also said hostilities were not imminent in his Aug. 9 letter to Congress informing it that he was sending troops, and DeFazio accused his colleagues of joining with the White House in deceiving the American people.

''Go home and ask your constituents. They believe hostilities are imminent. Only here in the halls of Congress and down the street at the White House do we try and ignore the reality of the Persian Gulf confrontation,'' he said.

Criticism of administration policies in the Middle East also was voiced by members who supported the resolution.

''This is one member of Congress that is not voting for a long-term commitment of our ground forces in that region,'' said Rep. Marcy Kaptur, D-Ohio.

Rep. Mel Levine, D-Calif., who has faulted plans for weapons sales to Saudi Arabia, said, ''We would be remiss if we did not question the lenses through which this administration has viewed the Mideast.''

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(OCT. 1) UPI - President Bush says after discussing the Persian Gulf crisis with foreign leaders, he's ''a little encouraged'' that the isolation of Iraq is ''having a strong effect.'' He says that would, for the time being, make military action UNnecessary. Earlier in a speech to the U-N General Assembly, Bush said there may be political and economic ''opportunities'' for Iraq if it withdraws from Kuwait. But he denied any intent to signal ''flexibility or shift'' in U-S policy.

The House today began debating a resolution supporting the administration's actions so far in the Persian Gulf. The measure applauds the deployment of U-S troops in response to Iraqi aggression and urges President Bush to ''continue to emphasize the use of diplomatic and non-military means'' to end the crisis. The Senate will begin consideration of a similar resolution tomorrow.

Israel says it will distribute gas masks to all of its citizens as a ''precautionary measure'' in light of the situation in the Persian Gulf. Officials deny that the move was a result of Saddam Hussein's recent threats to wipe ot half of Israel with chemical weapons. Defense officials said there's NO indication that a chemical weapons attack is imminent.

A 30 Million dollar Delta 2 rocket thundered toward space today from Cape Canaveral. The rocket will boost a 65 Million dollar military navigation satellite into orbit, the ninth in a global network that is proving especially useful in the Persian Gulf. The flight was grounded on Friday and Saturday by bad weather. The launch came 25 minutes late because of an airplane in the launch zone and because of trouble with a radio transmitter on the ground.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 1) UPI - The Supreme Court agreed Monday to decide whether nude barroom-style dancing is a form of ''speech'' protected by the First Amendment.

The court agreed to hear an Indiana case that originated when a number of dancers and nightclubs where they worked sued the city of South Bend and state officials after dancers were arrested for violating the state's public indency law.

The dancers claimed the law requiring them to wear ''pasties'' and ''G-strings'' while dancing violated their constitutional right to freedom of speech.

In 1985, a district court ruled in favor of the dancers, saying the law was too broad, but a federal appeals court reversed that decision.

On rehearing, the lower court then held the law did not violate the First Amendment.

But the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals last year ruled that all

non-obscene nude dancing performed for entertainment is ''expression'' protected by the First Amendment.

Local and state officials in Indiana asked the high court to uphold its interpretation of state law.

Arizona, Connecticut, Missouri, North Carolina and Pennsylvania all have similar ''public indecency'' statutes and urged the high court to accept the case to help clarify how the laws can be enforced.

90-26 Michael Barnes, et. al. vs. Glen Theatre, Inc., et al.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - Reaction was swift and angry today from senior citizens groups to the new budget reduction package proposed by White House and congressional negotiators. They charged that President Bush and Congress have ''declared budget war on the elderly'' by proposing the largest-ever increases in Medicare patient payments. And they promise retribution on Election Day.

The four World War Two allies NO longer have occupation rights in Germany. Secretary of State Baker joined his counter-parts from Britain, France and the Soviet Union today in a brief United Nations ceremony to sign a declaration giving up their nation's occupation rights. The foreign ministers of East and West Germany witnessed the signing that makes Germany a sovereign nation upon re-unification Wednesday.

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MINNETONKA, Minn. (OCT. 1) UPI - A group led by Malcom I. Glazer filed documents with the Securities and Exchange Commission Monday saying it holds an 8.6 percent stake in Tonka Corp. and may seek controlling interest.

The group's 13-D filing with the SEC also said it might seek a seat on the Tonka Corp. board.

Joseph M. Joyce, the company's general counsel, declined comment on the filing but said Tonka Corp. has one other shareholder with a stake of more than 10 percent.

Joyce said the toy company has a shareholder rights plan that could deter a hostile takeover attempt.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Dividend increases are expected to drop more than 20 percent this year as a result of to the risk of recession, interest costs and tougher borrowing conditions, Standard & Poor's Corp. said Monday.

S&P projected only 1,300 dividend increases will be reported by the end of 1990, compared with 1,656 increases registered last year.

This year's projected increases are the smallest number of hikes since 1971, when the Nixon administration proposed corporations implement a voluntary dividend freeze, S&P said.

At the same time, dividend cuts and omissions will reach their highest levels since 1982, according to the S&P forecast.

S&P blamed the drop in dividend increases on the growing risk of recession, hugh interest costs corporations assumed in leveraged buyouts and tough borrowing conditions.

''The corporate profit trough continues to be pushed back,'' said Arnold Kaufman, editor of the S&P Outlook investment advisory newsletter.

''We're now estimating earnings will not bottom out until the second quarter of 1991,'' Kaufman said. ''Given the considerable corporate financial leveraging of the past several years and the corresponding jump in debt-service charges to achieve the highest level of available cash flow in modern history, the current dividend frugality is hardly surprising.''

Current market conditions do not indicate much more generous dividend actions next year either, he added.

For the first three quarters of 1990, the total number of dividend increases

was 960, down from 1,236 for the first nine months of 1989.

Total favorable actions, including extra, increased and resumed dividends, dropped to 1,193 from 1,585, while negative actions, which represent decreased or omitted dividends, rose to 278 from 164 in the same period.

Companies reporting their dividned actions to S&P comprise a substantial number of the public companies in the U.S., including all stock exchange-listed companies, according to the debt-rating agency.

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STRATFORD, Conn. (OCT. 1) UPI - Textron Inc. said a subsidiary won a $1 billion contract extension for U.S. Army tank engines.

The work is for ''gas turbine engine equivalents'' used in the Army's M1 tanks and for foreign sales, the company said.

Spokesman Louis P. Savenelli said the company hopes the contract will enable it to maintain employment at Textron Lycoming's Stratford plant at the current level of slightly more than 4,100.

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ANAHEIM, Calif. (OCT. 1) UPI - Walt Disney Co., planning to open its second West Coast theme park later this decade, said Monday it has shaken up the management of Disneyland by creating two new positions for veteran executives.

''We are making these shifts because of the major expansion coming to this region,'' said Disneyland spokesman Bob Roth. Disney is planning to open either an acquatic-themed park in Long Beach next to the Queen Mary and Spruce Goose or an EPCOT-style ''gateway'' to Disneyland at Anaheim.

The new post of president of Disneyland will be filled by Jack Lindquist, who has been an executive vice presidents with Walt Disney Attractions, which operates both Disneyland and Walt Disney World in Florida. In his new post, Lindquist will be responsible for all West Coast Disney attractions.

Ron Dominguez, who has been executive vice president of Disneyland, will become executvie vice President, Walt Disney Attractions/West Coast.

Both Lindquist and Dominguez have worked for the company since 1955, the year it opened Disneyland.

Norm Doerges, a 23-year Disney veteran who has been vice president at EPCOT, was named to Dominguez' former post.

The appointments were announced by Dick Nunis, who continues as president of Walt Disney Attractions.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - Wall Street economists reacted coolly to the 500-BILLION-dollar deficit reduction deal struck by White House and congressional negotiators. They faulted the relatively small size of reductions... 40- BILLION dollars... to be effected in fiscal 1991, which began today. They question whether Congress will be able to meet its schedule for deeper cuts in later years. But they concede it's a positive prescription for ailing U-S financial markets.

Iraq's ambassador to the United Nations was predictably negative on President Bush's speech today to the U-N General Assembly. Ambassador Abdul Al-Anbari looked UNperturbed as the world body applauded Bush's call for Iraq's UNconditional pullout from Kuwait. Bush talked of a peaceful outcome to the Persian Gulf crisis, saying there are ''opportunities'' for Iraq to end its occupation. But the Iraqi ambassador said- ''We disagreed on everything he said.''

After three tries, the Air Force finally got its 30-Million-dollar Deltafoot rocket streaked toward space this evening... boosting a 65-Million-dollar military navigation satellite into orbit. The launch, which was postponed twice, was 25 minutes late because of an airplane in the launch zone and because of trouble with a radio transmitter on the ground.

Government researchers say an experimental treatment involving bone marrow transplants failed to help 16 AIDS victims who took part in the study. Each of the men received the transplants from their identical twin brothers. Previous reports had indicated a similar treatment may be encouraging, but the latest study showed NO long-term benefits. But the researchers say variations of the treatment may produce better results.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - 22-year-old Charles Stressler went on trial today in Brooklyn, New York, on murder and manslaughter charges in the racial killing of a black teen-ager in the predominately white neighborhood of Bensonhurst. Prosecutor Douglas Nadjari charged in opening statements that Stressler turned a group of white youths into an armed mob when he passed out baseball bats to them in the summer of 1989. The mob attacked 16-year- old Yusuf Hawkins and three friends... shooting Hawkins to death in the melee.

The western portion of Sudan today received the first of several daily

emergency relief flights for an estimated 50-thousand starving refugees. But agencies now warn that famine is threatening all of the African nation's 23-Million people. The relief efforts begun today will send about 18-hundred metric tons of food, seeds, agriculture tools and fuel. Years of civil war and drought have combined to cause the famine.

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CAIRO, Egypt (OCT. 1) UPI - Saudi Arabian Oil Minister Hisham Nazer officially confirmed for the first time Monday that his country was pumping an extra 2 million barrels of crude a day to make up for a shortfall on world markets caused by sanctions on Iraq and Kuwait, Riyadh Radio said.

The state-run radio quoted Nazer as saying the oil-rich kingdom increased production after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait to 6.3 million barrels a day from its OPEC-decreed quota of 4.3 million barrels a day.

But Nazer said the world market still needed an extra 2.5 million barrels a day to meet its crude requirements, adding that about 2 million barrels a day from the strategic reserves of industrialized nations were also being used to make up for the Iraqi and Kuwaiti shortfall.

''The world's consumption of oil is estimated at 54.5 million barrels a day,'' Radio Riyadh, monitored in Cairo, quoted Nazer as saying. ''What is produced now is 52 million barrels, and the shortfall is probably being met by strategic reserves.''

Nazer made the comments during a Saudi Cabinet meeting chaired by King Fahd.

Nazer also warned in his comments to the Cabinet that further hikes in oil prices would have dire consequences on industrialized and developing nations alike.

''If prices continue to go up, this will have bad consequences for both industrialized and developing nations,'' Nazer said.

Saudi newspapers said soaring oil prices were not in the interests of oil-producing nations because they fueled inflation, weakened the dollar - the currency in which oil is traded around the world - and sparked recessions, which in turn decreased demand for crude and lowered long- term revenue prospects.

Kuwait before the Iraqi invasion sided for the most part with Saudi Arabia on its policy of ''trying to achieve a balance between oil production and oil prices.''

But while Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates also spearheaded campaigns for

increased production within OPEC even if this meant lower prices, countries such as Iraq, Libya and Iran have sought higher oil prices whatever the long-term consequences for the world economy.

''The Saudi idea was and to an extent still is that a world recession should be avoided because it harmed Saudi Arabia as well as industrialized nations,'' said Peter G. Tikejarian, a Gulf-based oil industry executive.

Tikejarian said Iran, Iraq and Libya were keen however to secure the highest possible prices, ''whatever the consequences to the world economy ... this is because their economies are in such bad shape that they need the cash now, and tomorrow is another problem.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 1) UPI - CalMat Co. said Monday it has sold its California Portland Cement Co. operation to Onoda Cement Co. Ltd. of Japan in exchange for $316 million of CalMat stock that Onoda bought two years ago.

The deal incoludes two Southern California cement manufacturing plants in Colton and Mojave and one in Rillito, Ariz., three cement transfer terminals, 13 ready-mixed concrete batch plants and a half interest in a cement import terminal in Los Angeles harbor. The company employs about 1,000 workers.

The three plants have an annual capacity of 2.75 million tons. The Colton plant, which opened in 1893, is the oldest cement plant west of the Mississippi River.

The deal had been expected. Onoda, one of the largest cement manufacturers in Japan, acquired a 19 percent stake of CalMat stock in August 1988, along with an option to exchange the stake for California Portland Cement Co. after Sept. 1, 1990.

Ronald E. Evans, a 29-year veteran of the company, was named president of California Portland Cement.

CalMat, which has annual revenues of more than $650 million, said it will continue as one of the major suppliers of sand, gravel, asphalt and ready-mixed concrete.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - President Bush appeared to soften his rhetoric toward Iraq today during a speech to the United Nations... saying that withdrawal from Kuwait could lead to new ''opportunities'' for Iraq. But Bush insists the United States is NOT changing its position.

The House today went on record as supporting the president's order to send U-S troops to Saudi Arabia. By a vote of 380-29, lawmakers overwhelmingly approved a resolution applauding the response to Iraqi aggression in the Persian Gulf.

Conservative House Republicans are turning their backs on a 500-BILLION-dollar deficit reduction deal struck between President Bush and congressional leaders. But Senate Republicans predict that the plan will pass.

Diplomats meeting in New York today say the United States and Soviet Union have cleared a final major hurdle to an agreement on slashing military forces in Europe. The superpowers resolved a dispute over the types and numbers of aircraft that could be based in Central Europe.

The latest term of the Supreme Court got under way today with the justices deciding which cases they'll hear. The court will tackle a civil rights issue... deciding if civil rights laws cover U-S companies and workers overseas.

Radio and hospital reports out of Lebanon say 25 people were killed today when troops opened fire on thousands of people protesting a four- day siege around the enclave of rebel Christian General Michel Aoun . 82 others were wounded in the violence.

Poland's president today signed into law measures that will put him out of office. President Wojciech Jaruzelski inked a bill providing for a new presidential election... expected to be held November 25th.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - Seven decades of state atheism ended today in the Soviet Union. Members of the Supreme Soviet approved a broad-based religious bill that gives churches in the communist nation the right to establish their own schools and engage in charity work.

The House today took steps to protect against terrorist attacks such as the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103. Lawmakers passed legislation to provide more security, intelligence activities and money to the fight against airline terrorism.

An aviation magazine says the Air Force may be testing advanced super-speed aircraft at remote flight centers in the southwest. The report says the jets may be prototypes for the next generation of attack aircraft.

Doctors at Baltimore's Johns Hopkins Hospital report that the first leukemia patient to undergo an experimental umbilical cord blood transplant is doing well. They say there's a chance that the therapy could some day prove useful

for cancer, AIDS and other diseases.

A stockbroker, a sports agent and a former professional soccer player were indicted today in New York for a phony investment scheme that cheated several professional athletes out of a half-Million dollars. Each man could face up to 10 years in prison.

About 60 wheelchair-bound demonstrators occupied Morehouse College's president's office today to demand that school officials set up a meeting with Health Secretary Louis Sullivan. Sullivan is a former president of the Morehouse School of Medicine.

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(OCT. 1) UPI - Tax policy experts say the burden of the new budget deal will fall harder on low- and middle-income Americans. Robert McIntyre, director of Citizens for Tax Justice, says the poorest Americans would pay the largest percentage of their income as a result of the new excise taxes... which he says ''pretty much leave the rich alone.'' The budget plan calls for tax increases on gasoline, cigarettes, beer, wine and liquor and on luxury purchases such as high-priced cars, boats, jewelry and furs.

Diplomats say the superpowers have resolved the last major obstacle holding up agreement on military force cuts in Europe. The United States and Soviet Union had been at odds over types and numbers of aircraft that could be based in Central Europe. The breakthrough clears the way for a European summit in Paris next month. The diplomats say an announcement could come Wednesday after Secretary of State Baker meets with his Soviet counterpart.

Lebanese radio and hospital reports say 25 people were killed and 82 others wounded today when troops opened fire on thousands of demonstrators protesting a four-day siege around renegade General Michel Aoun's enclave. A Western cameraman told U-P-I that one Beirut hospital was packed with victims, including wounded girls. The Lebanese Radio station said the attack was carried out by troops loyal to Samir Geagea and pro-Syrian President Elias Hrawi.

Doctors say Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore reports encouraging results from an experimental transplant on a leukemia patient using blood from the umbilical cord. Doctors say four-year-old Michael Sancilio is doing well after receiving about six tablespoons of umbilical cord blood collected from his baby sister at birth. The boy suffered from a rare, deadly form of leukemia. The results indicate the therapy may someday prove useful for cancer, AIDS and other diseases.

Members of East and West Germany's conservative Christian Democratic Union today formally merged into a single dominant political party. West German

Chancellor Helmut Kohl told Christian Democrats gathered in Hamburg, West Germany, that the party is poised for victory in the December 2nd all-German elections. Voter opinion polls support Kohl's claim.

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PLEASANTON, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Endosonics Corp. announced Tuesday that it has received permission from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to begin marketing its combined ultrasound-angioplasty catheter for the treatment of atherosclerosis of the legs.

This new catheter will be called the HORIZON PTA balloon dilatation catheter.

The HORIZON catheter combines Endosonics' patented ''Computed Intraluminal Sonography'' technology and a ballon angioplasty device on the same catheter. The balloon device at the tip of the catheter is used to open blockages within the leg arteries.

The Cathscanner miniaturized integrated circuitry, also positioned at the catheter tip, communicates with the Cathscanner System electronics outside the patient. The Cathscanner System then produces an image of the inside of the artery on a television monitor.

This computerized image can provide the physician with information about the success of the balloon angioplasty treatment not available with current balloon angioplasty products. Endosonics is the first firm to combine these diagnostic and therapeutic technologies in a marketable device.

Balloon angioplasty (percutaneous transluminal angioplasty-PTA) is a non-surgical alternative to leg bypass surgery. As a treatment for atherosclerosis, balloon angioplasty products have become one of the fastest growing segments of the medical device industry. On a worldwide basis, over 400,000 balloon angioplasty procedures are performed each year in the legs and the heart.

The worldwide dollar market for balloon angioplasty catheters and accessory products is currently estimated to be $750 million. Approximately 25 percent of this market is in the treatment of peripheral leg vascular disease.

The HORIZON PTA catheters will be marketed on a limited basis in the United States and foreign countries in January 1991. The ORACLE PTCA catheters will be marketed in foreign countries in early 1991, with U.S. marketing scheduled to begin in 1992.

Endosonics is a privately held company with facilities in Rancho Cordova and Pleasanton, Calif.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Kyocera International Inc. Tuesday announced the consolidation of its electronic equipment operations.

Kyocera Electronics Inc. and Kyocera Unison Inc. have merged as a result of the consolidation, which was enacted to unify marketing and customer service capabilities.

The merged operation will continue under the name Kyocera Electronics Inc., with headquarters in Somerset, N.J.

Kyocera Electronics' line of computer peripheral products and communications equipment now encompasses its own brand of laser printers, 3.5-inch hard disk drives and optical scanners, the Unison World line of PC software applications and communications equipment and laptop computers sold on an OEM basis.

Mike Okuno will continue in his capacity as president of Kyocera Electronics. Hong Lu, formerly president of Kyocera Unison, will serve as vice president/Unison World Software and will continue to manage the software division in Alameda, Calif. Gerald Rittenbery, formerly vice president of Kyocera Unison, will serve as vice president/Computer Peripheral division of the merged operation.

''The objective of this merger is to enhance service to customers both now and into the future,'' Okuno said.

Kyocera Electronics Inc. is a member company of the Kyocera Group. Kyocera is a diversified global producer of technical ceramic materials, components, electronic equipment and network services.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Alaska Airlines, a subsidiary of Alaska Air Group Inc. (NYSE, PSE: ALK), reported Tuesday that its September traffic increased 9 percent to 365.2 million revenue passenger miles (RPMs) from the 335.2 million flown a year earlier.

The passenger load factor (the percentage of available seats occupied by fare paying passengers) for the month was 55.7 percent, down from 56.3 percent in

September 1989.

Capacity during September was 655.5 million available seat miles (ASMs), 10 percent above the 595.7 million in September 1989. The airline carried 451,100 passengers in September, compared to 416,700 in September 1989.

For the nine months ended September 1990, revenue passenger miles totaled 3.403 billion, a 12 percent increase from the 3.027 billion recorded a year earlier. The passenger load factor for the nine months ended September 1990 was 54.2 percent, down from 55.8 percent for the prior year.

Capacity for the nine months ended September 1990 increased 16 percent to 6.280 billion, up from 5.428 billion in 1989. The airline carried 4,119,000 passengers, compared to 3,755,000 in 1989.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Tuesday announced that it has received a five-year, $35 million agreement to provide public pay phone service for the General Services Administration's (GSA) 3,500 pay telephones nationwide.

US Sprint will serve as an integrator for the GSA by managing every aspect of the pay phone service, including local and long distance services, access and pay phone maintenance.

US Sprint will work through subcontractors to negotiate and manage local telephone services with the more than 45 regional Bell operating companies and local telephone companies that support the pay phones nationwide. US Sprint's role as the only point of contact for the GSA will reduce the administrative support needed for separate contracting arrangements with multiple vendors.

Through US Sprint's pay telephone service, PublicFON, GSA pay telephone users will receive comprehensive operator services, international service and the quality of the US Sprint all-fiber optic network. Additionally, PublicFON service can provide GSA with highly competitive commission rates, prompt monthly payment, customized account detail reports and dedicated customer support.

US Sprint expects to complete the transition of the GSA pay telephone system within 30 days.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified

international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City, Mo.

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CANTON, MA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Corporate Software Tuesday announced that Steve Moore has been named vice president of the company's European operations.

Moore, previously managing director of Corporate Software's U.K. subsidiary International Software Ltd. (ISL), replaces David Skok who resigned in order to pursue new business opportunities.

''Steve has done an outstanding job of managing business in the U.K. and is one of the reasons why ISL continues to be a leading reseller in the U.K.,'' said Mort Rosenthal, the company's chairman, president and chief executive officer. ''We look forward to the added contributions he will make to our operations in France and Germany.''

Moore has extensive knowledge of the information technology industry and has more than 18 years of experience in software and hardware distribution, field sales and sales management.

Prior to joining ISL in April, Moore was managing director of Softsel Computer Products Ltd., the leading retail distributor of software and hardware products in the U.K. During his two years at Softsel, Moore helped the company rebound from problems that adversely affected profitability, to post substantial year-over-year revenue and profitability gains by the end of 1989.

Moore was also responsible for investigating new market opportunities in the Scandinavian and Benelux countries.

Corporate Software sells and supports more than 1,000 software products and hardware add-ins for IBM, IBM-compatible and Apple Macintosh personal computers. The company provides a comprehensive array of services to assist large organizations in the evaluation, acquisition, support, and maintenance of personal computer products in the management of end user computing resources. Founded in 1983, Corporate Software has operations in the U.S., Canada, the United Kingdom, West Germany, and France.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Tuesday announced the appointment of Eric F. Santiago to the position of general manager for telecommunications services, Puerto Rico and the Caribbean, for its global telecommunications and private networks subsidiary, Sprint International.

Santiago joins US Sprint from AT&T, where he has represented the Puerto Rico/Caribbean region since 1987. Before AT&T, Santiago spent thirteen years in the Caribbean in a number of consumer and business marketing and sales positions for All America Cables and Radio, Inc., an ITT subsidiary.

''We view the addition of Eric Santiago to our staff as a real asset to US Sprint's marketing efforts in the Caribbean,'' said John Cahill, Sprint International regional vice president for the Americas. ''We are confident that Santiago's telecommunications experience will complement our International objectives.''

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City, Mo.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. Tuesday announced the Microsoft Windows Supplemental Driver Library (SDL), a collection of device drivers for printers, video displays, pointing devices and other hardware peripherals that run under the Windows graphical environment version 3.0.

Included in the SDL are LaserJet Series II and III printer drivers that offer dramatically improved printing performance from Windows version 3.0; support for the LaserJet Series 3D; support for more than 12 additional PostScript printer models; improved display support including several Super VGA devices; and support for the Canon Bubble-Jet printers including the laptop model.

The SDL is the first in a series of periodic releases of additional Windows device drivers. While most popular peripheral devices are supported by Windows version 3.0 itself, the SDL gives users compatibility with an even wider range of peripherals. Device drivers included in the SDL were developed by independent hardware vendors (IHVs), then tested and certified by Microsoft. They are the first third-party device drivers for Windows to be certified by Microsoft.

Future versions of the Windows environment will continue to include the most commonly used drivers, while future releases of the SDL will make available

remaining Microsoft-certified drivers. As new device drivers are developed, Microsoft will employ the SDL to make them available to Windows users.

The SDL has a broad distribution scheme to give users fast, easy access to the drivers they require. Moreover, the SDL disks can be freely copied and distributed among licensed Windows users within a company. Customers can download the SDL from online services such as Microsoft OnLine, CompuServe and GEnie at no charge. Device manufacturers may also provide specific drivers free of charge. Windows OEMs will receive the SDL from Microsoft for redistribution. Optionally, customers can order the SDL from Microsoft directly by calling 800/426-9400; there is a nominal $20 charge to cover the cost of the four 5.25-inch disks or seven 3.5-inch disks the SDL is distributed on. The SDL will be available Oct. 15, 1991.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ:MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems, network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, CD ROM products and hardware for the microcomputer marketplace.

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HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Wes Baumgardner, chairman of Standard Logic Inc. (''SLI'')(NASDAQ: STDL) and Larry Dingus, chairman of TouchStone Software Corp. announced Tuesday a preliminary agreement under which the two companies agreed to a form of business combination.

The combination would be effected through the issuance of SLI common stock in a tax-free exchange for all the issued and outstanding common shares of TouchStone.

Upon the successful completion of the merger, the shareholders of TouchStone would become the majority shareholders of SLI. Immediately thereafter the combined company would change its name to TouchStone Software Corp. with its principal business the development and marketing of computer software utility products.

As a further component of the combination, a group comprised of SLI management may be required to purchase certain of the assets and operations of SLI at fair market value leaving the resultant company exclusively a computer software publisher.

The completion of the merger is subject to, among other things, the final approval of both boards of directors, signing of a definitive merger agreement filing of a registration statement with the appropriate government agencies and stockholder approval.

TouchStone Software designs, develops and markets a line of computer software programs used for troubleshooting hardware and software problems on IBM-compatible PCs. The company's bestselling program, CheckIt, is featured by major software retailers in the United States and was recently introduced in Europe. The company also markets a series of programs which facilitate communication and compatibility between different types of computers.

Standard Logic is engaged principally in providing products and services to the electronic packaging industry. The company's electronic products include integrated circuit packaging systems, logic panels, back planes, contract engineering and manufacturing. In addition the company provides software and wire-wrapping services for its in-house products and to numerous commercial and military customers.

For further information on either company, they may be contacted at their respective offices.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Petroleum Corp. (NASDAQ:AIPN) announced Tuesday that it has been awarded a contract by Empresa Colombiana De Petroleos (Ecopetrol), the Colombian National Oil Co. for petroleum exploration, of 180,000 acres in the Middle Magdelena Valley of Colombia, South America, known as the ''Viani Area.''

This new contract area borders the northeastern quadrant of the company's existing Puli concession.

The Viani Area contract provides for an initial exploration period of 6 years which can be extended for an additional 22 years pending the discovery of a commercial field.

The company has committed to post a letter of credit for $500,000 and to meet certain minimum seismic and drilling requirements in order to obtain the

contract, including drilling at least two wells during the first two years of the agreement.

The company was selected from among a number of oil companies that applied for the concession.

American International Petroleum Corp. is engaged in refining, oil and natural gas exploration, production, transportation, and marketing activities in Louisiana and Kentucky, as well as Colombia.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Horizon Air, a subsidiary of Alaska Air Group Inc. (NYSE, PSE), reported Tuesday that its September traffic increased 14 percent to 30.6 million revenue passenger miles (RPMs) from the 26.8 million flown a year earlier.

The passenger load factor (the percentage of available seats occupied by fare paying passengers) for the month was 50.2 percent, compared to 52.4 percent in September 1989.

The airline carried 157,192 passengers in September, a 15 percent increase from the 136,981 carried in September 1989. Capacity during the month was 61.0 million available seat miles (ASMs), compared to 51.1 million in September 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenue passenger miles totaled 265.5 million, a 14 percent increase from the 233.7 million recorded a year earlier. The passenger load factor for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was 49.6 percent, down from 52.5 percent for 1989.

Capacity (ASMs) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 20 percent to 535.0 million, up from 445.0 million flown in 1989. The airline carried 1,350,608 passengers through September 1990, up 15 percent from the 1,176,974 in 1989.

Horizon serves 34 cities in five states and Canada.

Horizon Traffic Data

	Month of September			Nine months ended Sept. 30		
	1990	1989	Pct Change	1990	1989	Pct Change
Passengers	157,192	136,981	+14.8	1,350,608	1,176,974	+14.8
RPMs (000)	30,635	26,783	+14.4	265,531	233,730	+13.6

ASMs (000)	60,966	51,076	+19.4	534,987	444,955	+20.2
Load factor (pct)	50.2	52.4	-2.2 pts	49.6	52.5	-2.9 pts T

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PALO ALTO, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - For the first time, business teams can use the power of Xerox Corp.'s workgroup computing applications on UNIX, OS/2 and DOS industry-standard desktop computers.

This capability is now available with the new Xerox GlobalView network computing environment, the company announced Tuesday.

The Xerox announcement, made at the Xerox Palo Alto Research Center (PARC), includes the introduction of two major hardware products and one workgroup software package: the Xerox 6520 workstation, based on SPARC/UNIX technology from Sun Microsystems Inc.;

GlobalView-for-the-PC, a coprocessor board that turns DOS and OS/2 personal computers into multitasking, networked workstations; and a sophisticated new workgroup software product called DocuTeam, which represents one of the first network-based products designed to integrate individual users into productive business teams.

The two new hardware products, part of a strategic move by Xerox to make its workgroup software usable on industry standard desktop computers, have the potential to link over 30 million installed desktop computers into enterprise-wide environments.

Xerox GlobalView is a networked desktop environment that integrates functions previously available only as isolated features. The purpose of GlobalView is to improve white-collar productivity by making computers easy to use and interconnected so that individuals in the same office or in locations around the world can work together.

GlobalView is specifically designed to help business teams collaborate across computer networks, providing the foundation for a broad range of applications including integrating text, graphics and data into compound ducuments; managing projects and teamwork; accessing and sharing documents across networks; and supporting enterprise-wide communications.

Applications built upon GlobalView also support more than 100 foreign languages and dialects, rich graphics capabilities and trasparent access to corporate data on host or departmental computers.

Through the Xerox icon-based graphical user interface (GUI), GlobalView makes it easy for non-technical professionals to perform complex tasks that would normally require the expertise of a management information systems (MIS) professional. Applications running under GlobalView share the same consistent GUI, and users benefit from the high degree of integration that it provides.

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SAN MATEO, Calif. (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Multi-Income Trust (NYSE:FMI) and Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN) announced Tuesday that Franklin Resources presently intends to purchase, from time-to-time in open market or privately negotiated transactions, shares of beneficial interest of Franklin Multi-Income Trust, a diversified, closed-end registered investment company.

FMI invests primarily in high yielding, fixed-income corporate securities as well as dividend-paying stocks of public utility companies.

An affiliate of Franklin Resources, Franklin Advisers Inc., acts as the investment manager to the Fund.

Franklin's purchases will be for investment purposes. Depending on market and business conditions and other factors, however, Franklin may acquire a significant equity position in FMI, may seek to acquire control of FMI through acquisition of a majority interest of shares or otherwise, or may dispose of all or a portion of the shares it acquires.

Franklin Resources' primary business is the 56-member Franklin Group of Funds with approximately $44 billion in assets owned by over 1.7 million shareholders nationwide. The company is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, CA 94404.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Nikkei Business Publications Inc. and Macworld Communications/Japan Tuesday announced a partnership to publish the first magazine for professional and business Macintosh users in Japan.

Called Nikkei-Macworld Japan, the publication targets a Macintosh market that

Apple Computer projects will top $1 billion by 1994.

The premiere issue, to be published on Nov. 19, will be a special edition. Regular publication will be announced in February of 1991. Nikkei is Japan's largest publisher of business and computer-related magazines. Macworld Communications/Japan is a member of IDG Communications, the world's largest publisher of computer-related information.

Unlike current Japanese Macintosh publications that target enthusiasts, Nikkei-Macworld Japan will focus on the emergence and growth of business and professional Macintosh users.

According to David Ushijima, president of Macworld Communications/Japan: ''Japanese corporations are rapidly embracing the Macintosh as a powerful and effective business tool. As the first publication to address the growing number of Macintosh business users, Nikkei-Macworld Japan will be the exclusive resource for in-depth information relevant to this community.''

Nikkei-Macworld Japan marks the eighth international addition to the Macworld global network of publications.

Nikkei-Macworld Japan will feature exclusive product reviews, coverage of issues in the Japanese Macintosh market and in-depth analysis of key business technologies such as desktop publishing, CAD/CAM, multimedia, graphics and networking.

Macworld (United States), with a total average qualified circulation of 375,000, is the world's leading resource on Macintosh computing. The magazine is published in local language editions in eight countries including Australia Denmark, Germany, Japan, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom, reaching more than one million Macintosh users.

Macworld has set a goal of introducing at least eight more international publications by the end of 1991. Macworld is a member of IDG Communications, the world's largest publisher of computer-based information.

IDG Communications publishes over 150 computer publications in more than 50 countries. Sixteen million people read one or more IDG publications each month.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Kirby Corp. announced Tuesday that its board of directors had authorized Kirby to purchase up to 1 million additional

shares of its own common stock as a supplemental authority to the existing 2 million share authorization.

This interim authorization will enable Kirby to continue its repurchase program until the regular quarterly board meeting on Oct. 16 when the matter of stock repurchase will receive further review and deliberation. Through Oct. 1, 1990, Kirby has repurchased 1,858,401 shares under the existing authorization.

Purchases will be made on the American Stock Exchange and in privately negotiated transactions. Purchases will be subject to price, trading volume, and other market considerations. Shares repurchased may be used for reissuance on the exercise of stock options, on the conversion of outstanding debentures, or in future acquisitions for stock.

Kirby is engaged in marine transportation, diesel repair, and property and casualty insurance.

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SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Transform Logic Corp. (NASDAQ:TLOG), the Scottsdale-based developer of CASE software productivity tools, Tuesday announced positive third quarter results.

For the third quarter ending July 31, 1990, revenues were $3,097,400 and earnings were $54,500. This compares to revenue of $3,815,900 and a loss of $1,049,000 for the same quarter last year.

''This marks our second consecutive quarter of profit and primarily reflects the profit improvement and consolidation expense reduction that occured last quarter,'' said Jim Campbell, president of the company.

''In addition, while total revenue for the quarter was down, our newly released product DesignAid II showed strong sales gains. Our workgroup focus backed by a strong promotional campaign, has increased our penetration into the CASE front-end design and analysis market.''

The decrease in revenues from $3,815,900 in the third quarter 1989 to $3,097,400 in the third quarter 1990 is mainly attributed to IBM contract development revenues, which decreased 29 percent. However, IBM contract revenue is up 49 percent for the nine month period ending July 31, 1990, compared to the same period in 1989.

The company continues to build upon its IBM development partner relationship.

A renewed Master Services Agreement contract was signed last quarter which will extend the current contract through November 1991.

''The recent release of our DesignAid II product should spur product sales,'' Campbell stated. ''We will follow up with a PC-based applications generator product. This new product will help complete our suite of PC-based productivity tools and facilitate our CASE workgroup approach, and also further our commitment to the IBM AD/Cycle.''

Transform Logic is a CASE workgroup focused company, in IBM-based analysis, design and application development and maintenance. The company provides a nationwide direct sales and support organization and a worldwide network of distributors.

Among its major customers are American Express, Milliken, Kodak, Federal Reserve Bank, Internal Revenue Service and McDonnell Douglas Corp. Corporate headquarters is located at 8502 East Via de Ventura, Scottsdale, Ariz. 85258-3220. Telephone: 800/825-6442 or 602/948-2600.

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COSTA MESA, CALIF. (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Curtis A. Gabbard has been promoted to the position of executive vice president of USF RE INSURANCE CO., a subsidiary of US Facilities Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:USRE), it was announced Tuesday by John T. Grush, president of USF RE INSURANCE.

Gabbard joined USF RE in September 1986 as senior vice president in charge of underwriting. In his new position, he will direct the subsidiary's overall reinsurance operations.

Prior to joining USF RE, Gabbard spent 16 years with General Reinsurance Corp. in various underwriting management positions.

Commenting on the announcement, Grush stated: ''Al Gabbard's contributions to the development and ongoing operations of USF RE have been and will continue to be invaluable.''

US Facilities Corp., an insurance and reinsurance holding company, conducts its business through USF RE INSURANCE CO. and US Benefits Inc.
USF RE is a property and casualty reinsurance company accepting business through reinsurance intermediaries nationwide. US Benefits is an underwriting manager for excess group medical stop-loss coverage.

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Rosemary L. Mulligan, 714/549-1600

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DENVER (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - The directors of Blue Chip Value Fund Inc. have declared a distribution of 16 cents per share.

This represents 2.5 percent of the net asset value of $6.55 on Oct. 1, 1990. The distribution will be payable Oct. 26, 1990 to stockholders of record Oct. 12, 1990.

The fifty stocks owned on Sept. 30, 1990, by the Blue Chip Value Fund were:

Abbott Labs, Aetna Life & Casualty Co., Albertsons Inc., American Brands Inc., Armstrong World Industries Inc., Bankers Trust N.Y. Corp., Boeing Co., Bristol Myers Squibb, Burlington Northern Inc., Coca Cola Co., Colgate Palmolive Co., CPC International Inc., Dayton Hudson Corp., Detroit Edison Co., General Mills General Motors Corp. Class E.,
Gillette Co., Great Western Financial, H.J. Heinz Co., Honeywell Inc., Household Int'l Inc., Eli Lilly & Co. Ltd. Inc., Long Island Ltd. Co., Martin Marietta Corp., McDermott International Inc., Merck & Co. Inc., National Medical Enterprises, NCR Corp., Newmont Mining Corp., Oryx Energy Co., Pepsico Inc., Phelps Dodge Corp., Phillip Morris Inc., Phillips Petroleum Co., PPG Industries Inc., Provident Life & Accident, Ralston Purina Co., Reebok Int'l Ltd., Rohm & Haas Co., Salomon Inc., Schering Plough Corp., St. Paul Companies Inc., Syntex Corp., Texas Utilities Co., UST Inc., USX Corp., Warner Lambert Co., Wells Fargo & Co., Westinghouse Electric Corp.

Blue Chip Value Fund is a closed-end diversified management investment company whose objective is to seek a high level of return through investment in a diversified portfolio of common stocks. The portfolio is an approximately equally weighted portfolio of 50 stocks selected using the advisory's Modern Value Investing Approach.

The fund features an automatic dividend reinvestment and cash purchase plan. Denver Investment Advisors Inc. is the fund's investment advisor.

Blue Chip Value Fund provides a hot-line at 303/293-5699. A recorded message will provide timely information including change in net asset value and other important data for shareholders of the fund.

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Don Brockell, 303/293-5999

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DALLAS (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - The Taiwan government National Quality Award Committee has selected Texas Instruments Taiwan as winner of its first National Quality Award.

The award ceremony was held Sept. 29 at the Taipei International Convention Center with more than 3000 in attendance.

The Taiwan National Quality Award uses selection and measurement criteria and judging processes which resemble those of the U.S. Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award and Japan's Deming Prize. The award was instituted by the Republic of China government as part of a program to increase the quality awareness for products made in Taiwan.

TI Taiwan was selected as the only winner in the enterprise (company) category in a ceremony attended by the president of the Republic of China, who presented a keynote speech. Other attendees included the Minister of Economic Affairs and other government officials, as well as representatives from business and academia. Major TI customers and suppliers in Taiwan were special guests at the ceremony.

Since 1969, TI Taiwan has been manufacturing semiconductor products for the Taiwan and world marketplace. Over the past 20 years, TI's activities have expanded to include the design, manufacture and test of increasingly sophisticated integrated circuit (IC) devices, as well as IC package design and manufacturing process development. Local marketing and support activities include custom IC design services, applications laboratory capabilities, and marketing support for TI's entire product line. Today, TI has over 2600 employees in Taiwan.

In addition, a state-of-the-art wafer fabrication plant for memory and VLSI ICs is under construction by the TI-Acer semiconductor joint venture at Hsin Hsu Science Park with production scheduled to begin the second half of 1991.

The Taiwan National Quality Award is one of several international quality awards TI has received in recent years. In 1985 TI Japan was awarded Japan's most prestigious quality award, the Deming Prize. This was the first time a U.S. wholly owned company received this award. TI Malaysia won the 1989 National Award for Excellence in Manufacturing Practice, presented by the Standards Industrial Research Institute of Malaysia. In May 1990 TI was awarded the Best Worldwide Supplier Award by the Standard Computer Komponenten GmbH (Stack), the largest international electronic component user group in the world.

CONTACT: Texas Instruments, Dallas
Jim Dukowitz, 214/995-5550.

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SANTA BARBARA, CALIF. (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Having a strategic vision toward expansion of its guest services, Hyatt Hotels Corp. is upgrading its wide-area network under the guidance of the technical support team at Infonet Inc.

The revamped reservation system links over 100 Hyatt hotels using routers from Advanced Computer Communications (ACC).

''The bottom line is providing our guests with imporved services,'' said Hyatt's Assistant Vice President Dan Amedro. ''By delivering new guest services, we increase customer satisfaction, which in turn enhances revenues.

Computers at each Hyatt location, office or hotel, communicate with computer centers located in Oakbrook Terrace, Ill., and Omaha, Neb. The internetwork that is created using ACC's Series 4000 two-port and multiport hardware platforms configured as IP routers, delivers up-to-the-minute vacancy information to clients calling for reservations or information.

''Every reservationist, no matter where they are located, is accessing the same information,'' added Amedro. With hotels linked to corporate databases, reservationists can obtain relevant customer information, such as guest history, special requests and award program balances.

For example, as data is entered from its San Jose property, databases in the Omaha computer center are immediately updated and the information can be shared between remote sites.

ACC is a privately held company that reported approximately $20 million in revenues for the fiscal year ended December 1989. Maintaining corporate offices in Santa Barbara, the company is a recognized leader in designing, manufacturing and marketing of adaptive bridge/routers and network management systems.

Since its incorporation in 1975, ACC has been developing and manufacturing data communications hardware and software products that focus on customer needs. Its internetworking products were introduced in 1988. Since that time, ACC has become a market leader in the remote bridge/router and network management arena. Worldwide, ACC products are connecting local and wide-area networks in government and commercial industries.

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or
Hyatt Hotels Corp.
Susan Stoga, 312/750-8069

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OAKLAND, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - On Nov. 15, Southwest Airlines, American's 8th largest independent airline, will add new service from Oakland to Reno, Nev.

Southwest will offer six daily nonstop roundtrip flights to Reno on the newest pure jet fleet in the industry. Regular unrestricted coach fares will be $49 to Reno.

''This will be our highest fare and yet it is less than half the amount of other airlines,'' said Jim Wimberly, vice president, ground operations for Southwest. Unrestricted coach fares on other airlines are $174 from Oakland to Reno. Southwest will also offer lower advance purchase ''Fun Fares'' on a restricted basis starting as low as $29 for a 21-day advance purchase fare to Reno.

Not only is Southwest slashing fares by as much as 70 percent with the new service to Reno, its ''$20 Take Along Fare,'' which is already available on other Southwest flights leaving Oakland, will apply to flights to Reno.

For just $20 one way, a regular fare customer can ''take along'' a companion to any Southwest Airlines destination -- no matter how far away -- when both tickets are purchased with the American Express Card. Some restrictions apply and the offer is good for travel through Dec. 19, 1990.

''Our streamlined operating procedures and dedicated employees allow Southwest Airlines to enjoy the lowest operating cost of any major airline in the country. We simply pass those cost savings on to our customers,'' Wimberly noted.

Southwest Airlines has become known as the ''price policeman,'' leading the airline industry in low fares while maintaining its service level at the top of the nation's air carriers. Among its cost-saving measures are a quicker ticketing process, boarding passes on a first-come, first-served basis and no meal service.

Employees have also become known for wearing ''Fun'' uniforms and bringing humor to the flight experience -- an extension of CEO Herb Kelleher's philosophy that work should be fun.

Flights to Reno will begin at 9:30 a.m. with the last return flight leaving Reno at 7:30 p.m. Weekend flights are also available. In addition to the new service to Reno, Southwest will be adding new flights from Oakland to Ontario, Phoenix, Ariz., Burbank, Calif., and San Diego, Calif.

Between Oakland and Ontario, the carrier will add three new roundtrips to its

daily schedule, which brings to nine the number of roundtrip flights between Oakland and Ontario daily. Between Oakland and Burbank, Southwest will add three flights bringing to 13 the number of daily roundtrips between the two cities.

Between Oakland and San Diego, Southwest will add one flight, which brings to eight the roundtrips between these two cities daily; and between Oakland and Phoenix, Southwest will add one new roundtrip daily, which brings to four the number of roundtrips daily.

''Southwest is the only airline to be rated the monthly best in all three categories of service levels -- on-time performance, customer complaints and baggage service, and we've won the coveted 'Triple Crown' four times,'' Wimberly concluded.

Southwest Airlines' advertising campaign for the new service uses the themeline ''Happy Days Are Here Again.'' Don Valentine, vice president-sales and marketing for the airline, noted that ''this advertising delivers the message that low fares and lots of flights are back.''

He continues, ''We have a good solid schedule to offer our customers, but the big kicker is that Southwest fares to Reno are 60 to 70 percent off the current market prices. And these will be our regular fares, not some special introductory promotion.''

With the new service, Southwest Airlines will serve a total of 33 airports in 31 cities and 14 states from California to Alabama and from the Canadian border to the Mexican border.

For reservations or information in Oakland, the phone number is 415/465-3655.

CONTACT: Southwest Airlines, Dallas
Melanie Jones, 214/904-4413

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Sterling Bancorporation, Los Angeles, (not to be confused with the NYSE company of the same name) announced Tuesday that its board of directors declared a 5 percent stock dividend on Sept. 28, 1990.

The dividend is payable on Nov. 15 to shareholders of record on Oct. 25.

Cash, at the rate of $6.50 per share, will be paid in lieu of fractional shares.

Sterling Bancorporation is a Los Angeles-based holding company with bank,

mortgage company and finance company subsidiaries. The company was founded in 1980.

CONTACT: Sterling Bancorporation, Los Angeles
Douglas B. Swets, 213/384-4444

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ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Cable & Computer Technology Inc. (CCT) has received a $13.9 million Navy contract to replace and update the A-6E aircraft's mission computer.

The current CP-1391 ballistic computer set will be upgraded for higher speed and increased performance capabilities. Issued by The Naval Weapons Center at China Lake, the 4 1/2-year contract covers development, test and production of 110 Airborne MIL-SPEC replacement computers and associated support equipment.

According to Kirk A. Hollingsworth, vice president, CCT's technical approach for the A-6E replacement computers represents a negligible risk for the Navy. CCT will provide operating hardware on schedule with all necessary documentation and support. The contract will require CCT to increase its technical staff over the life of the program.

Cable & Computer Technology was formed in 1980 with the sole purpose of designing and manufacturing products to emulate older, unsupportable systems and emulations of Mil Spec products with equivalent commercial devices.

CCT has designed and installed hundreds of emulation systems worldwide and has several years' experience building peripheral controllers and emulators for NTDS (Mil-STD-1397) interfaces.

Holligsworth indicated the company had also recently received a $5.3 million Air Force contract for emulators to replace IBM 1800 computers used in the maintenance of guidance systems for the Minuteman missile.

For further information, contact Cable & Computer Technology Inc., 1560 S. Sinclair St., Anaheim, Calif. 92806; phone 714/937-1341; fax 714/937-1225.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of San Francisco Co. (ASE:BOF), proudly announced that it Tuesday declared its first cash dividend on its Class A Common Stock of 5 cents per share payable on Oct. 23, to shareholders

of record on Oct. 12.

This cash dividend is the first of regular quarterly cash dividends to be paid on the Class A Common Stock, initially at an annual rate of 20 cents per share.

The board of directors will periodically review this dividend policy in light of current conditions. The company's 8 percent Series B Convertible Preferred Stock will participate equally, share for share, in cash dividends paid on the Class A Common Stock in addition to receiving the cash dividends to which it is entitled.

The company is proud of the growth which has made this dividend possible and anticipates that it will be able to continue its cash dividend policy.

Bank of San Francisco Co. is the parent of Bank of San Francisco. The 11-year-old financial services company provides a broad array of credit and investment services to professionals, successful business people, and affluent individuals and to their enterprises throughout the San Francisco Bay Area.

CONTACT: Bank of San Francisco Co., San Francisco
William H. Adams, 415/391-9000

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of San Francisco Co. (ASE:BOF), announced that it Tuesday declared a 19 cent per share dividend on its 8 percent Series B Convertible Preferred Stock payable on Oct. 23 to shareholders of record on Oct. 12.

Of this amount, 14 cents represents accrued interest from July 13, the record date for the last payment of interest on the Preferred Stock. The balance of this dividend, 5 cents, represents the participation rights of the Preferred Stock in cash dividends paid on the company's Class A Common Stock.

The company currently expects to pay regular cash dividends on its Class A Common Stock at the initial annual rate of 20 cents per share, in which dividends the Preferred Stock would participate equally. The board of directors will periodically review the dividend policy on the Class A Common Stock in light of current conditions.

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PROVO, UT (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Novell Inc., developer of NetWare systems software products, Tuesday announced the acquisition of 100 percent of Toronto-based Indisy Software Inc., a connectivity and electronic messaging software company in which Novell has held a 60 percent interest, on a fully diluted basis, since July 1988.

Effective immediately, Indisy's 42 development, sales and administration employees will be fully integrated with Novell, and Indisy will operate as part of Novell. Financial terms of the acquisition were not disclosed. Indisy president A. L. Frank will continue to work with Novell as a sales and marketing consultant for the immediate future.

Indisy is a developer of comprehensive desktop-to-host E-mail applications for the Fortune 500 and government institutions, as well as vertical markets such as banking and investment firms. Its primary product is OfficeWare, a LAN and host-based E-mail package that bridges PC LAN platforms and offers connectivity to IBM mainframe environments via IBM's SNA architecture.

OfficeWare is compatible with standard messaging protocols such as MHS and X.400. Indisy has also announced a NetWare Loadable Module version of OfficeWare for the NetWare 386 environment. As such, Indisy's technology complements Novell's MHS-based electronic mail engine and offers added connectivity options into internets and proprietary architectures, such as SNA and DECnet.

''Customers have increasingly sophisticated wide-area networking needs, and Indisy's expertise in mainframe connectivity and E-mail product development makes them a valuable addition to the Novell family,'' said Kanwal Rekhi, Novell executive vice president of product development. ''We felt the best way to ensure that these important technologies continue to thrive was to bring Indisy into Novell.''

Novell Inc. (NASDAQ:NOVL) develops NetWare systems software products that manage and control the sharing of data across a variety of network computing environments, including computer workgroups, departmental networks and business-wide information systems.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Donald R. Beall, chairman and chief executive officer of Rockwell International Corp., has been selected to receive the California Manufacturer of the Year Award, the highest honor bestowed by the California Manufacturers Association, announces CMA president William Campbell.

CMA, with headquarters in Sacramento, has represented industry before state government for more than 72 years. Member companies employ approximately 70 percent of the California industrial work force.

Leaders in California business, industry, government and civic affairs will witness Beall accept the award during a celebration luncheon to be held Dec. 6 at the Los Angeles Hyatt Regency. Sponsors of the event purchase tables of 10 for $750. Individual luncheon admission is $75. For more information, contact CMA's Kim Wright at 1/800-824-2640.

To receive the award, the recipient must be an outstanding leader of industry, a major contributor to industrial progress, have demonstrated an active interest in civic affairs, worked for the betterment of relations between employers and employees, and have an outstanding record in furthering the free enterprise system.

Rockwell has evolved into a $12 billion, multi-industry international company from a collection of separate companies.

A number of Rockwell businesses, founded by pioneers in their respective fields, can trace their heritage to the formative years of such industries as high-speed newspaper printing, radio, aircraft, trucking, rockets and space exploration. Today, Rockwell applies advanced technology to a wide range of products in its aerospace, electronics, automotive and graphics businesses.

Beall was elected chairman and chief executive officer of Rockwell International Corp. in 1988. Previously he served as president and chief operating officer from 1979 to 1988 and as corporate executive vice president from 1977 to 1979. He was first elected to the Rockwell board of directors in 1978.

CONTACT: California Manufacturers Association
David D. Edlund, 916/441-5420.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - At a meeting of the board of directors of Pacific Enterprises held Oct. 2, 1990, a quarterly dividend of 87 cents per share was declared on its common stock, payable Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 19, 1990.

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Thomas H. Kenney, 213/895-5122

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TORONTO (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - NHI Nelson Holdings International Ltd. (ASE/ToSE/VcSE:NNH) (the ''company'') Tuesday announced that it has been agreed with Laing & Cruickshank, London, the purchaser of the company's $20 million (U.S.) principal amount of underwritten secured convertible debentures (the ''debentures''), which have already been issued pursuant to a previously announced financing, that the date of scheduled public availability of these debentures has been extended to Mar. 29, 1991.

The vesting of certain equity rights pursuant to these debentures as described below has also been extended to Mar. 29, 1991.

Under the amended terms of the debentures, the convertibility feature of the debentures and the issuance of warrants pursuant to the underwriting commitment will now become effective on Mar. 29, 1991, prior to which time the company may redeem the debentures in which case the equity structure of the company would remain unchanged.

In addition, the debenture conversion and warrant exercise prices have been modified so that they will be fixed based on a weighted average trading price formula determined prior to Mar. 29, 1991, with a minimum price of $5 (U.S.) and a maximum price of $12 (U.S.).

The cumulative number of common shares issuable between the conversion of debentures and the exercise of warrants will remain the same as the cumulative number of such shares that would have been issuable under the previous debenture terms.

The debentures will continue to mature on Mar. 31, 1992. The debentures bear interest up through Mar. 28, 1991, at LIBOR plus 2-1/2 percent and thereafter at 12 percent per annum.

NHI Nelson Holdings International Ltd. is the holding company for the Nelson Entertainment Group and for 69 percent-owned Nelson Vending Technology Ltd.

CONTACT: Nelson Entertainment, Los Angeles
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DALLAS (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Jess Hay, chairman and chief executive officer of the Lomas Financial Group, announced Tuesday that Gene H. Bishop

has been elected vice chairman of the board and chief financial officer of Lomas Financial Corp. and president and chief operating officer of its mortgage banking division, Lomas Mortgage USA.

Bishop has been a member of Lomas Financial Corp.'s board of directors since 1969. He will remain on its board. As president of Lomas Mortgage USA, Bishop succeeds Paul M. Low, who is retiring after a tenure of 32 years with the company.

Commenting on Low's retirement, Hay said that, ''Paul Low has been a creative force in the development of Lomas Mortgage USA throughout his tenure. He has served us well, and will be missed.''

Bishop, who recently retired as chairman and chief executive officer of MCorp, was president of Lomas Financial Corp. from 1969 to 1975. He left Lomas in 1975 to become chief executive officer of Mercantile National Bank of Dallas and Mercantile National Corp., the predecessor company to MCorp. He retired from MCorp in July 1990.

''Gene Bishop's management skills, knowledge of the mortgage industry and expertise in the disciplines necessary to achieve the aggressive goals set forth in our five-year business plan will prove of great value to our company in the months and years ahead, Hay said. ''He adds an important dimension to our management team. We are very pleased to have him back.''

Bishop said that he sees tremendous opportunity for growth in Lomas' mortgage businesses.

''We see a substantial amount of mortgage servicing business coming available over the next several years,'' Bishop said.

''Lomas Mortgage USA and Lomas Information Systems are outstanding organizations with staffs of extremely talented people. As one of the industry's lowest cost producers, with the finest, most sophisticated computer system available, Lomas is in an extremely strong position to take advantage of opportunities for growth.''

Hay said that he began talking with Bishop about coming back to Lomas in a senior management position upon learning of Bishop's decision to retire from MCorp.

In addition to Lomas Financial Corp., Bishop currently serves on the boards of Lomas & Nettleton Mortgage Investors, MCorp, Republic Financial Services Inc., Southwest Airlines Co., Southwestern Public Service Co. and VISystems Inc.

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or

Sitrick and Company, Los Angeles
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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Pacific Enterprises (NYSE:PET) elected Harry L. Lepape executive vice president, the company announced Tuesday.

As executive vice president, Lepape is responsible for managing PE's interests related to interstate pipeline activities and gas supplies with particular emphasis on Canada. He is also responsible for Pacific Enterprises Oil Co.'s Canadian and Dutch North Sea interests.

Lepape, who assumed his responsibilities on Oct. 1, will report to PE President Willis B. Wood Jr., as will Ronald E. Rinard, recently named president of PEOC's domestic oil and gas operations.

In addition to the oil and gas subsidiaries, Pacific Enterprises owns Southern California Gas Co., the nation's largest natural gas distribution utility. It also owns Thrifty Corp., a drug and sporting goods chain retailer with more than 1,000 stores.

''Harry Lepape brings to this post a wealth of knowledge and years of experience in the oil and gas and utility businesses,'' said PE Chairman James R. Ukropina.

Lepape, 59, joined Pacific Enterprises in 1961 as an assistant general counsel. Since then, he has held a number of positions, which include president of Pacific Lighting Exploration Co.; assistant to the chairman, vice president and senior vice president at SoCalGas; and vice president at Pacific Enterprises.

He was named chairman and chief executive officer of PEOC in 1983, and chairman, president and chief executive officer of its pipeline affiliate, Pacific Interstate Co., in 1981.

Lepape received both an undergraduate degree in engineering in 1952 and a law degree in 1956 from Stanford University.

He is a member of the American Petroleum Institute; the American, Southern and Pacific Coast Gas Associations; the American California and Los Angeles County Bar Associations; and director of Foothills Pipe Lines (South B.C.) Ltd. and the Independent Natural Gas Association of America.

Lepape and his wife, Marilyn, live in Rancho Palos Verdes.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. (NASDAQ:COMS) Tuesday announced its board of directors has authorized the purchase of an additional one and one half million shares of the company's outstanding common stock.

The board had previously authorized the repurchase of one million shares, which brings the total shares currently authorized for repurchase to two and one half million.

Repurchased shares will be used for existing employee stock option and stock purchase programs or retired.

3Com Corporation is a leading independent global data networking company, providing multivendor connectivity that spans organizations and businesses worldwide. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports networking systems based on industry standards and open systems architecture.

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MANHATTAN BEACH, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Hughes Aircraft Co. has been awarded a $77.8 million contract for the first year of a multiyear program to produce 1,398 TOW 2 Weapon Subsystems for the U.S. Army's Bradley Fighting Vehicle.

The contract to Hughes, a unit of GM Hughes Electronics (GMH), was the result of a competitive procurement between Hughes and Texas Instruments.

Hughes Electro-Optical Operations Inc., a subsidiary with headquarters in Manhattan Beach, is scheduled to begin deliveries of the subsystems in August 1991. Total value of the contract is estimated to be about $108 million, with options for an additional 710 subsystems that would give the program a potential total value of about $160 million.

Hughes developed the subsystem, which includes an integrated day/night sight, and has produced about 6,000 to date. In addition to accurately guiding the TOW antitank missile, the subsystem also is used by gunners to direct cannon and machine gun fire.

Preliminary production work will be accomplished at various Hughes sites in California, Illinois and Alabama, with final assembly of the sight unit being done at Hughes Georgia Inc., a subsidiary located in La Grange, Ga.

CONTACT: Hughes Aircraft Co., El Segundo, Calif.
Jim Knotts, 213/616-1022

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PHOENIX (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Nix-O-Tine Pharmaceuticals Ltd. (NASDAQ:NIXXF; VSE:NIX.V) Tuesday announced the commencement of clinical laboratory operations by its fifty percent-owned subsidiary, Laboratory Sciences International Ltd. (LSI).

The new laboratory was constructed at Nix-O-Tine's Phoenix corporate office pursuant to a joint venture with Jon V. Eylands, M.D., president of LSI. The joint venture terms included the contribution of existing pathology contracts and capital by Dr. Eylands and Nix-O-Tine's contribution of certain assets and technology.

The opening of the new clinical laboratory provides in-house capability to process the Nix-O-Tine LungCheck test. LungCheck is a nationally distributed take-home test that uses quantitative sputum cytology for early evaluation of lung health assessment and as a motivational aid for smoking cessation.

''The Nix-O-Tine LungCheck test can detect cell changes that could lead to lung cancer three to five years before it shows on X-rays,'' said Dr. Eylands. ''This test should be a vital part of America's preventive medicine program. Just like the pap smear, the Nix-O-Tine LungCheck test helps identify abnormal cells before cancer is discovered.''

Dr. Eylands stated: ''We are excited about LSI's growth prospects in the current clinical laboratory marketplace. I will be devoting a major portion of my time to expanding the market for LungCheck testing and other laboratory services performed by LSI. We commence operations with nine experienced employees and anticipate growth to over 20 during the next 12 months.''

Nix-O-Tine is a public company that owns a patented drug treatment method and a physician-directed behavioral modification program for nicotine addiction and smoking withdrawal. The company announced on July 13 the proposed acquisition of Behavioral Sciences of America, which through its RxFast subsidiary offers a proprietary physician-supervised weight loss program.

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Jim Barnes, 602/870-9977

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SAN JOSE, CA. (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Due to a significant shortfall in new orders, KLA Instruments Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:KLAC) reported Tuesday that sales and earnings for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, would be reduced from the previous sequential quarter and from the previous year's first quarter. e The company estimates that sales will be approximately $36 million resulting in operating earnings which will be only slightly profitable.

The company attributed the shortfall in orders primarily to capital investment delays by U.S. semiconductor manufacturers. All of KLA's business units were affected except for its RAPID Division, which recorded strong results.

The company expects a continuation of some customer order deferrals through the current quarter or until a clearer economic environment exists.

KLA reported that its investments in R & D activities have been at historically high levels for the last several quarters and are expected to continue at high levels. The company anticipates a major new product accouncement in the near future and has scheduled a news conference for Oct. 10, 1990.

KLA Instruments Corp. is a leading innovator of industrial image automation systems.

CONTACT: KLA Instruments Corp., San Jose
Robert J. Boehlke, 408/456-6285

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ALBANY, N.Y. (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - John R. Tomassi was recently promoted to vice president and chief financial officer of Lawrence Management Group Inc., which is the management company for Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. (ASE:LWR), a public property/casualty and reinsurance company.

Tomassi will report directly to Albert W. Lawrence, chairman of the board.

As vice president and chief financial officer, Tomassi will oversee all financial operations of the public company. Additionally, he will be responsible for the accounting departments of Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. and Lawrence Agency Corp., the 16th largest insurance brokerage in the country and a subsidiary of Lawrence Group Inc.

Tomassi said: ''As the corporation continues to complete its goal of becoming licensed in all 50 states and looks forward to expanding into the international market, my goal is to emphasize increased earnings per

share and corporate financial well-being while maintaining superior customer service.''

Prior to his promotion, Tomassi held the positions of executive vice president and chief operating officer of Lawrence Agency Corp.; president

of Lawrence United Corp., a division of Lawrence Agency Corp. consisting

of traditional independent insurance agencies writing business in states across the country; and president of ADAPT, a subsidiary of Lawrence Agency Corp., which acquires medium to large independent insurance agencies.

Tomassi has an extensive background in insurance and business administration. As president of ADAPT and Lawrence United Corp., he was in charge of all acquisitions including the financial analyses, planning, and forecasts, as well as accounting and financial operations for Lawrence Agency Corp.

Prior to joining the Lawrence Group in 1988, Tomassi held various management positions at CNA and Hartford Insurance Group.

Tomassi holds a masters in business administration from the University of Connecticut and a bachelor of science degree from the University of Dayton. He is a Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter and an active member of the CPCU Society. Tomassi and his wife, Diane, reside in Clifton Park, N.Y., with their two children, Jessica and Mark.

Lawrence Group Inc. is a vertically integrated, multiline, national insurance corporation headquartered in Schenectady, N.Y. Through its subsidiaries, Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. is licensed or accredited in 45 states and the District of Columbia.

The company is comprised of United Community Insurance Co., United Republic Reinsurance Co., Senate Insurance Co., and Commercial Resources Insurance Co. Executive offices of Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. are located at 500 Fifth Avenue in New York City, while operating headquarters is at 33 Elk Street, Albany, N.Y.

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SAN JOSE, Calif. (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Citing expected third quarter losses due to lower revenues and high inventory levels, Microscience International Corp. (NASDAQ:MSIC), San Jose, has announced a workforce reduction at its San Jose headquarters.

Microscience, a manufacturer of 5.25 inch and 3.5 inch high-performance

Winchester disk drives, will lay off approximately 110 employees at the San Jose facility effective Tuesday, according to the company's President and Chief Executive Officer Kevin Nagle. The company has 1,443 employees worldwide prior to the workforce reduction.

The majority of those affected by the workforce reduction are hourly employees involved in product manufacturing at the San Jose facility. Microscience has three manufacturing facilities which are located in San Jose, Taiwan and Singapore. The company is working with the affected workers on employment assistance programs.

Microscience reported net income of $9.7 million in the six-month period (June 30, 1990) with record revenues of $50 million. The third quarter of 1990 however, has been unfavorably affected by lower shipments of Microscience's 5.25 inch half-height and 3.5 inch products and lower average sales prices.

The workforce reduction will have no adverse affect in the company's ability to support its customer base in either the OEM or distribution markets nor will it affect the company's recently acquired line of high capacity disk drives, according to Nagle.

''There won't be any affect on our customers or on our mainstream product lines,'' said Nagle. ''We are very disappointed by the workforce reduction but our performance in the third quarter necessitated this action. We will continue to place emphasis on our high-capacity 5.25 inch products and our high-performance 3.5 inch drives.''

Microscience International Corp., founded in 1982, designs, develops and manufactures industry-leading, high-quality 3.5 inch and 5.25 inch half-height Winchester disk drives for the desktop computer and workstation industries.

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LAS VEGAS (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Jackpot Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:J) announced Tuesday that its board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 8 cents per share.

The dividend will be paid on Oct. 31, to shareholders of record on Oct. 17.

Jackpot Enterprises Inc. owns and operates coin-operated gaming machines in Las Vegas, Reno and many other Nevada locations. In addition, the company operates small casinos in Reno and Battle Mountain, Nev. and joint ventures in Deadwood, South Dakota gambling halls.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - In response to recent world events and the continued sluggish demand for semiconductor capital equipment, Silicon Valley Group Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SVGI) announced a modest workforce reduction.

According to Papken Der Torossian, president and chief executive officer, the reduction impacts approximately six percent of SVG's total worldwide employees as well as contracted and temporary personnel.

This reduction principally affects manufacturing and indirect personnel and will balance staffing levels within those areas with requirements for the company's sophisticated wafer processing systems.

''We believe these preparations are necessary to help SVG remain healthy and stable in the months to come,'' stated Der Torossian. ''In this way, we will be well positioned for the inevitable industry upturn with both new products and strong applications advances.''

Der Torossian indicated that the company's strong R & D and customer support focus will not be affected. ''In this business, we need to tighten our belts from time to time. But it is also imperative to maintain our commitment to the development of next generation technology and customer support.''

Silicon Valley Group Inc. is a leading manufacturer of automated wafer processing equipment for the worldwide semiconductor industry. The company's product divisions are the Track Systems Division, focused on photoresist processing equipment, and the Thermco Systems Division, offering oxidation, diffusion, and low pressure chemical vapor deposition (LPCVD) processing systems.

SVG's newly acquired subsidiary, SVG Lithography Systems Inc. delivers photolithography exposure tools which utilize step-and-scan technology.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - IKOS Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:IKOS) Tuesday announced that it expects fourth quarter revenues to be approximately $3.8M.

Net earnings are expected to be approximately $100,000. Revenue for the fiscal year is expected to be approximately $15.8M compared to $7.7M in fiscal 1989. Net earnings for the current fiscal year are expected to be approximately $1.6M, or 18 cents per share, in fiscal 1990 as compared to a loss of $2.0M, or 24 cents per share, for the prior fiscal year.

Gerald S. Casilli, chairman and chief executive officer, cited two primary reasons for the revenue and earnings in the fourth quarter to be less than originally expected by the company. ''Uncertainty in the current economic environment has caused several of our customers to defer their purchases into the next quarter.

''Also, our joint marketing agreement with Mentor Graphics did not produce the expected sales results. A recent series of modifications in the IKOS/Mentor business relationship, including integration of the IKOS 2800/2900 products into Mentor's Release 7.0 design environment, is expected to result in increased interest from Mentor's large installed customer base for Release 7.0.

''This integration of the IKOS 2800/2900 is expected to occur during the first quarter of 1991.''

Casilli also announced that the IKOS board of directors authorized the officers to explore a repurchase by the company of its common stock.

IKOS Systems Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and supports advanced hardware-assisted simulation systems for the application-specific integrated circuit (ASIC) and systems design markets. Headquartered in Sunnyvale, the company employs more than 100 people worldwide.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Xerox Imaging Systems (XIS) Tuesday announced a new Graphical User Interface, which provides easy, intuitive access to XIS's leadsing edge text recognition system, the Kurzweil 5200 (K5200).

The Graphical User Interface runs under Windows 3.0, making the K5200 compatible with the new industry standard of user interfaces for the PC environment.

The Graphical User Interface will be available at no additional cost to customers who buy or upgrade to the K5200 Scanning System. The new Graphical User Interface is scheduled to begin beta testing this month and to ship in the first quarter of 1991.

Increased Productivity

The new Graphical User Interface features Page Preview, which allows users to scan pages containing both text and graphics in one pass. Additionally, a new Tiff Queue feature allows users to create multiple batches of jobs for off-line processing, allowing the user to defer the recognition process to an off-peak time. Both of these features significantly increase user productivity and satisfaction.

The new Graphical User Interface will be available in five languages, English, French, Italian, German and Spanish.

The K5200 scanning system, which was introduced in June 1990, offers users up to a 400 percent increase in speed over previous products in the marketplace. This increase is achieved using a proprietary intelligent character recognition processing unit based on RISC (reduced instruction set computing) technology.

Greater speed, combined with features including improved ability to read dot matrix output; improved table, column and bold recognition; quick recognition and removal of halftone images; and Fastscan Mode for faster scan speed and recognition of simple documents, have helped make the K5200 scanning system unmatched in the PC marketplace.

Xerox Imaging Systems is an industry leader in desktop scanning, image processing and text recognition for IBM PC, PS/2 and Apple Macintosh Systems. XIS was formed by the merger of Datacopy Corp. and Kurzweil Computer Products.

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MENLO PARK, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Recognizing the rapidly growing number of LANs being interconnected to remote LANs through Wide Area Networks, and the critical need for organizations to understand the impact of LAN applications on expensive WAN line costs, Network General (NASDAQ:NETG) Tuesday announced the WAN/Synchronous Sniffer Analyzer.

The need for the WAN/Synchronous Sniffer Analyzer is underscored by a recent survey of 50 Fortune 1,000 companies by Forrester Research Inc. of Cambridge, Mass., which reported that 62 percent are deploying WANs for LAN-to-LAN connectivity.

The WAN/Synchronous Sniffer Analyzer was designed to address this LAN-to-LAN connectivity market, providing customers an invaluable product to understand, manage and control line costs.

According to Saal, the WAN/Synchronous Sniffer Analyzer helps customers save on WAN line charges in several ways:

1) Reduced Line Traffic -- Many LAN applications and protocols are designed with the assumption that network bandwidth is ''free.'' Unlike LANs, WAN line costs are very expensive.

The WAN/Synchronous Sniffer Analyzer identifies unnecessary traffic and inefficient protocols and applications. With this information, users can then take the steps to dramatically reduce line traffic that consume costly bandwidth.

2) Reduced Line Upgrade Costs -- Many companies assume they need a faster line when applications performance degrades on their WANs. With the WAN/Synchronous Sniffer Analyzer, they can reduce the need to upgrade to more expensive, faster lines (for example, moving from a 19.2 kbps to 56 kbps) or to add additional lines by identifying inefficient use of existing facilities.

3) Improved Applications Performance -- Purchasing more hardware (bridges, routers, servers, etc.) is the most common approach to improving applications performance. The WAN/Synchronous Analyzer provides users with the ability to pinpoint applications performance problems and, thereby deal with the real bottlenecks instead of upgrading the entire network.

4) Reduced Network Downtime -- With its capability to quickly identify which network component caused the problem, the WAN/Synchronous Sniffer Analyzer allows customers to expeditiously put mission critical applications back on the air, or to avert downtime altogether.

Founded in 1986, Network General is an industry leader in designing, developing and marketing diagnostic systems for local and wide area networks.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Computer Systems Inc. (OTC:ASKI) Tuesday announced that the waiting period required by the

Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act for the proposed acquisition of Ingres Corp. (OTC:RELY) by ASK terminated on Friday, Sept. 28 at midnight Eastern time.

As announced on Sept. 11, 1990, ASK and Ingres have signed a definitive agreement providing for the acquisition of Ingres for $110 million in cash, or $9.25 per share. The tender offer for this acquisition is presently scheduled to expire at 12 midnight New York time on Friday, Oct. 12, 1990.

ASK Computer Systems is a leader in enterprise-wide information systems for manufacturing companies. It completed its 1990 fiscal year in June with revenues of $207 million.

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OAKLAND, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream Inc. (OTC:DRYR) announced that its 100 percent (one-for-one) common stock dividend was distributed on Monday to holders of record on Sept. 10.

Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream Inc. manufactures and distributes premium quality ice creams and other premium dairy-based products made only from the highest quality ingredients available.

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CUPERTINO, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Tandem Computers Inc. (NYSE:TDM) and Texas Instruments Inc. (TI), (NYSE:TXN), Tuesday announced a strategic relationship for the development and worldwide marketing of TI's Information Engineering Facility (IEF) for Tandem NonStop systems.

Users of the IEF Tandem product will be able to develop and run online transaction processing (OLTP) applications in an open environment, independent of a specific computer and operating system.

The IEF Tandem products will enable IEF users to create new and transport existing applications to the Tandem environment. IEF generated applications will take advantage of Tandem's high performance distributed database and fundamental strengths, including continuous availability and linear growth.

Roberta Henderson, Tandem vice president of OLTP development, said: ''We are

excited about the opportunity to offer our customers a full life cycle computer aided software engineering (CASE) product for Tandem NonStop systems. IEF Tandem users will be able to use a single product for application design, development and implementation.''

''TI and Tandem have a large number of mutual customers who want a single CASE solution for development of strategic systems for Tandem and other supported environments,'' said Mike Watters, vice president and general manager of the Advanced Information Management Division with responsibility for IEF business worldwide.

''The agreement we are announcing today provides a structure for joint development of the Tandem version of IEF and worldwide cooperation in marketing the IEF technology.''

The IEF products for the Tandem NonStop development environment will be released in two stages. The first stage requires IBM's OS/2 and MVS operating systems and will be available in 1991. The second stage will run on OS/2 and Tandem NonStop systems, independent of MVS, and will be available in 1992.

Texas Instruments, headquartered in Dallas, is a high-technology corporation engaged in semiconductors, defense electronics systems, computer and software systems, electrical controls, industrial automation systems, metallurgical materials and consumer computer products.

Tandem Computers Inc. manufactures and markets computer systems and networks for online transaction processing, large database and UNIX applications.

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EINDHOVEN, NETHERLANDS (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - H. Bodt, at present chairman of the executive board of Oce-van der Grinten N.V., Venlo, the Netherlands, will be appointed a member of the group management committee of N.V. Philips' Gloeilampenfabrieken with effect from Dec. 1.

This was announced by Philips Tuesday.

Within the group management committee, Bodt, who will give up his position with Oce-van der Grinten as from Dec. 1. will be responsible for the professional divisions.

The Philips' Group management committee currently consists of the board of management and four other members. The members of the board of management are J.D. Timmer (president) K. Hubee (vice-president), Y.G. Bouwkamp (vice-president), Dr. S. Van Houten and H.H.A. Appelo. The other members of the group management committee are W. de Kleuver, J.J. Tuyt, T. Meyer and E. Kloster.

Henk Bodt was born in Renkum (the Netherlands) on April 30, 1938. He studied electrotechnics at the Technical University of Eindhoven. He joined Philips in the research laboratories in 1956. From 1965 onwards, he worked in several positions within Philips' science and industry product division. In 1976, he was appointed director of the corporate planning and marketing support department.

He became senior managing director of the electronic components and materials division in 1983. Bodt joined Oce-van der Grinten as a member of the executive board in 1986. He became chairman of the board in 1987.

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WILMINGTON, CALIF. (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Vector Aeromotive Corp. (NASDAQ:VCAR) has been invited to exhibit its American-made aerospace technology supercar, the VECTOR W8 TwinTurbo, at the SAE Aerotech '90 Aerospace Technology Conference and Exposition, being held at the Long Beach Convention Center, Long Beach, Calif., on Oct. 1-3, 1990.

This exhibition is attended by more than 4,000 key aerospace industry executives. Nearly 100 aerospace industry exhibitors, including major U.S. and international prime and system airframe and engine companies will be featured.

''We are proud to be the only automobile manufacturer invited to exhibit at this world class event,'' said Gerald A. Wiegert, chairman and founder of Vector Aeromotive Corp. ''The interest in the VECTOR by members of the aerospace community underscores the level of state-of-the-art aerospace design engineering and materials that have gone into the development and production of this American high performance supercar.''

The purpose of SAE Aerotech '90 is to promote the exchange of aerospace technical information between industry, government and academia. The meeting is a forum for individual presentations that discuss applied technology for the design, manufacture, testing and propulsion of air and space vehicles and their systems.

An educational exposition accompanies the technical presentations and offers attendees the opportunity to view new products, technologies and processes first hand.

Vector Aeromotive Corp. also announced that one of its VECTOR W8 TwinTurbo supercars was present at the entrance to the meeting of the Society of Experimental Test Pilots, held on Friday, Sept. 28, 1990, at the Beverly Hills Hilton, Beverly Hills, Calif. The VECTOR was test driven by a number of the foremost test pilots in the world.

Vector Aeromotive Corp. is headquartered in Wilmington, near the Port of Los Angeles.

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NEWTOWN, PA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Tseng Labs (NASDAQ/NMS:TSNG) Tuesday announced that its Board of Directors authorized the repurchase from time to time and depending on market prices of up to 1.5 million shares of common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions.

The repurchased stock is expected to be financed with available cash and will be held in the Company's treasury. As of June 30, 1990 Tseng had 18.2 million shares of stock outstanding.

Commenting on the stock repurchase, Jack H-N Tseng, President, said, ''The authorization to repurchase our stock reflects our Board's confidence in the long-term prospects of the Company and our belief that the repurchase of the Company's stock at current price levels is an attractive use of corporate assets.''

The Company also announced that it has been informed by a major OEM customer that it is incorporating Tseng's ET4000 based products into its broad-based product line. Tseng has received an initial purchase order from the OEM customer which will result in revenues beginning in the fourth quarter. The Company estimates that the total revenues from the OEM customer may exceed $8,000,000 for the twelve month period beginning December, 1990.

Commenting on general business conditions, Mr. Tseng noted, ''Sales in the third quarter of 1990 should exceed sales in last year's third quarter. We continue to have a strong backlog and positive customer response for our new VGA products based on the ET4000. Sales in the third quarter could have been

stronger. However, we received only part of the necessary delivery of chips from our semiconductor manufacturers. This situation is now behind us and we expect to receive enough chips to meet all of the demand for the fourth quarter which will be substantially ahead of last year's comparable period.''

Tseng Labs, Inc. is a manufacturer of custom VLSI graphics chips and board level add-on enhancement products for personal computers.

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - The newest product to join the Verbatim family, the DataLife 3-1/2 inch Extra High Density (ED) 4 MB microdisk, was introduced Tuesday.

The state-of-the-art in computer media technology, DataLife 3-1/2 inch ED 4 MB microdisks were designed to provide extra capacity, convenience and data continuity.

Its 4 MB capacity eliminates the need to stop and load additional disks to store information, ensuring data continuity. This ability to write, read and backup large data files makes DataLife 3-1/2 inch ED 4 MB microdisks perfect for attorneys, architects, engineers, hospital administrators etc., and in any application where large files are accessed on a daily basis.

Mark Welland, vice president for Verbatim North American Marketing and Sales, explains the company's enthusiasm for the microdisks. ''Any of our information storage products can be used with equal success in just about any situation.

''With the availability of DataLife 3-1/2 inch ED 4 MB microdisks, Verbatim is extending our reach to large capacity users. This product addresses their needs specifically.''

DataLife 3-1/2 inch ED 4 MB microdisks can be easily formatted for Macintosh and IBM systems. A number of manufacturers are developing compatible 4 MB disk drives which prompted Verbatim to make 4 MB media available now. DataLife 3-1/2 inch ED 4 MB microdisks are currently being used by several manufacturers in the testing of their disk drives.

DataLife 3-1/2 inch ED 4 MB microdisks are manufactured with a proven barium

ferrite formula to ensure superior signal integrity with maximum longevity. This means the disks will afford the user high reliability, read or write, time after time.

Finally, like all Verbatim products, DataLife 3-1/2 inch ED 4 MB microdisks are certified 100 percent error free from the factory and are backed with a lifetime guarantee.

The disks carry a suggested retail price of $14.77 each, or $147.70 per 10 pack box.

For more information on Verbatim DataLife 3-1/2 inch ED 4 MB microdisks, call 800/538-8589.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - HARLYN PRODUCTS INC. (AMEX:HRN) Tuesday announced that its board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to 200,000 shares of its common stock on the American Stock Exchange from time to time.

Harold Weisbrod, chairman of the board, stated that with the recent decline in the market price of the company's common stock, the board of directors believes that repurchasing shares would be in the long-term interest of Harlyn and its shareholders.

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SANTA BARBARA, CALIF. (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Culminating a full year of product develompent, Advanced Computer Communications (ACC) Tuesday announced it has added eight new features to its SNMP-based network management system that address the collective expectations of the marketplace.

Among the new features of Version 2.0 of the ACS 4800 Network Management

System are: an Application Programming Interface (API) to allow the addition of other management protocols, such as OSI's CMIP, without modifying the user interface; an MIB Utilities tool to make it simple for users to add private MIB extensions to the system to more effectively manage other vendors' devices; and a relational database to speed up user access and allow data to be stored for analysis and imported into any ANSI-compliant structured query language (SQL) application.

A report authored by Jill Huntington-Lee, an analyst with Datapro Research Group, Delran, N.J., found that users are hampered more by a lack of product features than the limitations of SNMP itself.

In a recent survey conducted by Datapro, respondents listed MIB extensibility, support for CMIP, and an SQL interface that can be integrated into an existing database as some of the capabilities they would like to have in their network management systems.

''Network administrators are looking for management systems that have the flexibility to operate in a multivendor environment, and this means more than just compatible protocols,'' says Gary Krall, ACC's director of marketing. ''In general, users want to take full advantage of SNMP's capabilities such as its open-ended architecture which made it so popular in the first place.

''Version 2.0 of the ACS 4800 addresses these issues.''

Since its incorporation in 1975, ACC has been developing and manufacturing data communications hardware and software products that focus on customer needs. Its internetworking products were introduced in 1988. Since that time, ACC has become a market leader in the remote bridge/router and network management arena.

Worldwide, ACC products are connecting local and wide-area networks in government and commercial industries.

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EAST HANOVER, NJ (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - The Ultimate Corp. (NYSE:ULT), in a move designed to increase the synergy between its two pacesetting education and training operations, announced Tuesday that it is forming a Pick division within its Burlington, Mass.-based UNIX education subsidiary, Hands-On Learning Corp. (HOLC) by merging its industry-leading Pick training supplier, Ultimate University, into HOLC.

According to the announcement by Rick Dool, Ultimate Professional Services

Division senior vice president, the HOLC Pick Division will release two important new education products for Pick users before the end of this year.

On Nov. 1, the first comprehensive video-based self-study course for Pick users will be delivered, and in December a new leading-edge, computer-based self-study course on Pick will also be available.

Ultimate University personnel will form the nucleus of the new HOLC Pick division and will operate from facilities in New Jersey and Irvine, Calif.

The integration of Pick training under the HOLC banner also addresses the rapidly increasing demand for Pick and Pick/UNIX training generated by the growing acceptance of the marriage between the Pick and Unix environments.

The expansion of the UNIX-compatible base of Pick installations and the continued growth in both Pick and UNIX is creating a significant market opportunity for education, training and related services.

By combining Ultimate's education and training operations, the company is well positioned to cost-effectively leverage the resources of both operations and become the dominant supplier of education and training to the Pick and Pick/UNIX markets.

HOLC is a pacesetting and fast-growing provider of UNIX- and Pick-oriented education, including classroom and on-site training, seminars and advanced video-based and computer-based self-study programs.

The HOLC Pick division (formerly Ultimate University) has a 10-year record of leadership providing Pick classroom training and seminars to more than 10,000 users of systems supplied by Ultimate and other Pick-based system suppliers. HOLC UNIX training includes courses on the UNIX operating system, X-Windows and the ''C'' programming language.

Ultimate also provides Pick and Pick/UNIX education and training through its Hands-On Learning subsidiary, and the company provides consulting and field-maintenance services to customers across a wide range of vertical markets. In addition to its domestic operations, Ultimate has subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, Canada, France and Australia.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Bell has proposed a $73.3 million rate reduction that would lower the average residence customer's bill by 28 cents a month beginning in January.

The proposal, part of the California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC) ''incentive regulation'' plan adopted a year ago, includes a $13.5 million annual reduction based on a formula that accounts for the effects of inflation and is offset by a productivity factor.

The proposal, filed with the CPUC late Monday afternoon, includes several other adjustments that reflect both increases and decreases to 1991 revenues.

In all, the proposed rate reduction totals $73.3 million. However, if the proposal is adopted by the CPUC, the company expects little impact on net income since many of the items identified in the filing already have been recognized in the company's financial statements.

Besides the ''price cap'' reduction, the remaining $59.8 million in proposed rate reductions primarily reflects the impact of earlier CPUC decisions or issues that the CPUC directed Pacific Bell to address in this filing.

The CPUC will review the proposal and is expected to make a decision before the end of the year. It could order a revenue adjustment different from the company's proposal.

The $13.5 million reduction is the result of the CPUC's ''price cap'' formula, which is based on the annual change in Gross National Product Price Index (GNP-PI). That index showed a 4.3 percent increase in prices. From that, a CPUC-established 4.5 percent productivity factor is subtracted. The result (a .2 percent decrease) equates to a $13.5 million annual rate reduction.

The reductions, if approved, would appear on customer bills as an increase in the credit that they have been receiving for the past three years.

Pacific Bell is a subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, a worldwide diversified telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

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LITTLETON, MA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Alliant Computer Systems Corp. (NASDAQ/ALNT) Tuesday announced that MARC Analysis Research Corp., Palo Alto, Calif., has ported its MARC finite element analysis (FEA) software to run on Alliant's RISC-based FX/2800 family of parallel supercomputers.

MARC is the first major FEA package available for the FX/2800 platform, and will be fully compliant with the PAX (Parallel Architecture eXtended) software standard developed jointly by Alliant and Intel Corp. PAX allows software

vendors to write one version of their application to run on any PAX-compliant Intel i860-based system.

MARC is a general purpose FEA package for linear and nonlinear static and dynamic analyses of 2-D and 3-D structures. It includes a parallel solver, optimized for the Alliant FX/Series architecture, that significantly accelerates problem solving by executing portions of the application on multiple processors simultaneously.

MARC's particular strength is in the structural and thermal analysis of nonlinear components and systems. Some of the application areas include jet engine design, automobile component design and electronic packaging evaluation. For example, MARC is used to analyze computer disk drive components. The MARC software is on the leading edge of manufacturing process simulation such as forging, rolling and casting because of its special contact analysis capability.

MARC will be available on the FX/2800 in November 1990. Pricing starts at $40,000 for a MARC license on an FX/2808.

Alliant Computer Systems Corp. manufactures standards-based parallel supercomputers with visualization tools that enable scientists and engineers to quickly interpret and solve complex problems.

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VALENCIA, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - HR Textron Inc. Tuesday announced that the Naval Air Development Center (NADC) in Warminster, Penn., has awarded the company a research and development contract in excess of $2 million for fluidic actuators and associated equipment.

The contract termed ''Advanced Survivable Flight Control Components, '' calls for HR to study, design and test a laboratory hydrofluidic control system that will enable flight control systems to continue functioning in instances for disruption of electronic flight control or loss of electrical power.

This is accomplished by utilizing hydraulic fluid as a computing medium, so that should loss of electrical control occur, the flight control system

automatically reverts to the fluidic system and allows the aircraft either to continue its mission or return to base safely.

HR will modify two fly-by-wire F/A-18 actuators to incorporate a fluidic-control command channel, and furnish several fluidic sensors, including an angular rate sensor. The prototype actuators and sensors will be assembled and tested in HR's development laboratory at their Valencia headquarters. The rate sensor for the system is a component purchased from Fluid Servo Specialties in Rockford, Ill.

The expected development program duration is 24 months.

In discussing the contract award, Tony E. Singer, business management director for advanced technology said: ''HR Textron has made major research and development advances in fluidic applications. This contract allows us to put these new concepts into primary flight control practice.''

HR will be supported by McDonnell Douglas Aircraft Co. (McAIR) in St. Louis, Mo., which will provide aircraft control and performance requirements for the program.

HR Textron designs and produces control actuation systems, servovalves, electronic products, automatic test equipment and other aerospace components for numerous helicopter, fixed-wing aircraft and missile and space vehicle applications.

HR Textron is a subsidiary of Textron Inc., a multi-industry company with operations focused in three business sectors -- aerospace technology, commercial products and financial services. With headquarters in Providence, R.I., Textron's 1989 revenues were over $7.4 billion.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - ReadiCare Inc. (NASDAQ:REDI) Tuesday reported record results of operations for the second quarter and six months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Net income and earnings per share for the second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, increased by 32 percent and 22 percent, respectively, to $880,000, or 11 cents per share, vs. net income of $666,000, or 9 cents per share, reported for the second quarter of the previous year.

Systemwide patient revenues as well as management-fee revenues also reached new highs in the second quarter, both posting 22 percent increases over such

revenues for the comparable period of the previous year.

For the six-month period ended Aug. 31, 1990, the company earned $1,551,000, a 52 percent increase over net income of $1,018,000 reported for the comparable period of the previous year. Earnings per share increased by 46 percent to 19 cents per share vs. 13 cents per share reported for the six-month period ended Aug. 31, 1989.

ReadiCare operates 47 workers'-compensation outpatient medical and rehabilitation centers located throughout California, Washington and Nevada and provides a wide range of on-site workers'-compensation medical-management services to business and industry.

ReadiCare Inc.
Summary Operations Data -- Unaudited
(Dollars in thousands except per-share data)

	Second Quarter Ended Aug. 31,		Six Months Ended Aug. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Patient revenues, net	$ 8,272	$ 6,742	$16,043	$13,121
Management fee revenues	$ 6,385	$ 5,235	$12,391	$10,176
Income before extraordinary credit	$ 575	$ 422	$ 1,030	$ 637
Extraordinary credit -- loss carryforward	305	244	521	381
Net income	$ 880	$ 666	$ 1,551	$ 1,018
Per-share data: Income before extra-ordinary credit	7 cents	5 cents	13 cents	8 cents
Extraordinary credit	4 cents	4 cents	6 cents	5 cents
Net income	11 cents	9 cents	19 cents	13 cents
Weighted average common shares outstanding	8,242,000	7,873,000	8,196,000	7,876,000

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Century MediCorp (NASDAQ:CEMC) Tuesday announced audited results for the year ended June 30, 1990.

For the year ended June 30, 1990 sales increased 36% to $59,610,411 from $43,760,567 in the year ended June 30, 1989. Net income for the year was $1,745,013 or $.38 per share including a net operating loss carry-forward of $569,340 or $.12 per share.

In the prior year, net income was $606,542 or $.15 per share including a net

operating loss carry-forward of $206,224 or $.05 per share. The substantial increase in earnings is due to increased enrollment and higher premiums at AmeriMed and the inclusion of Loma Linda Health Plan and VIP Health Plan which were acquired in November 1989 and April 1990, respectively.

Commenting on the results, Jacob Y. Terner, M.D., Chief Executive Officer said ''With a strong management team in place, and the successful integration of our acquisitions, we have continued to increase revenues and enhance our profitability. During the prior year, we completed a divestiture program that has removed us from our original business, the management of medical clinics, enabling the Company to focus on penetrating the regional HMO industry.

''Looking ahead,'' Dr. Terner added, ''we anticipate that revenues for Fiscal 1991 will reach approximately $100 million. Our enrollment, which has grown from 27,000 when we entered the HMO field in April 1988 to approximately 83,000 today, should continue to increase as we further expand our geographic coverage and intensify our marketing efforts to small businesses.''

Century MediCorp operates as a health maintenance organization through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, AmeriMed, based in Pasadena, VIP Health Plan in Oxnard and Loma Linda Health Plan in San Bernardino, all California-licensed HMOs. The HMOs provide comprehensive health care services to their approximately 83,000 Southern Californian members as an alternative to traditional indemnity medical insurance coverage. Century MediCorp also operates East Los Angeles Doctors Hospital, a 128-bed acute and subacute care hospital facility.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM Tuesday announced a price reduction on one version of its Personal System/2(a) Model 80. The price reduction affects the PS/2(a) Model 80-121, which has been reduced 7 percent.

In addition, IBM has withdrawn four models of the PS/2 -- the PS/2 Model 30-001 and -021 and Model 80-111 and -311. The withdrawals are effective December 27, 1990.

The new price and configuration are listed below. Dealer prices may vary.

IBM PERSONAL SYSTEM/2	FORMER PRICE	NEW PRICE	STANDARD CONFIGURATION
Model 80-121	$7,495	$6,945	20 MHz 80386; 2 MB RAM; 1.44 MB diskette drive; 120 MB fixed disk.

(a) Trademarks: Personal System/2 and PS/2 are trademarks of International Business Machines Corporation.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - The Xerox DocuTech Production Publisher, announced Tuesday by Xerox Corp., will support a PostScript Level 2 interpreter from Adobe Systems.

The PostScript Level 2 interpreter, to be offered as an option, integrates into the systems software of the Xerox DocuTech Media Server and the Xerox DocuTech Network Server. Level 2 is Adobe's major revision and extension of the PostScript page description language standard.

The DocuTech Publishing Series is among the first products to utilize Level 2 and is the first implementation capable of document production publishing at speeds up to 135 pages per minute with 600 dot-per-inch resolution.

''As one of the first products to result from the Adobe/Xerox partnership, this product signifies the arrival of both companies in providing solutions for high-end, high-volume in-house publishing,'' said Dr. Charles Geschke, Adobe's president and chief operating officer. ''This product also leverages the expertise and reputations of Adobe and Xerox in electronic printing and publishing.''

Bill Lowe, executive vice president of development and manufacturing for Xerox said: ''Our strategy with the DocuTech Publishing Series is to embrace industry standards and form alliances with industry leaders.

''With this strategy, we hope to capture the energy of the desktop computer explosion and become the premier supplier of printers, smart copiers, and multifunctional publishing systems.''

Adobe is the developer of PostScript, an industry-standard page description language for electronic printing and publishing. Adobe offers the PostScript interpreter on a licensing rights basis to major original equipment manufacturers. Xerox acquired licensing rights to the PostScript interpreter

through an agreement with Adobe that was announced in June.

The Xerox DocuTech Publishing Series is an evolutionary family of products that will integrate corporate and commercial publishing environments from the point of creation through production publishing. The Xerox DocuTech Production Publisher, the first product in the new series, is a multifunctional document publishing device that provides high-speed, high-resolution production publishing.

Xerox and Adobe said they plan to continue to collaborate on publishing solutions as the DocuTech Publishing Series evolves.

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Bob Wagner, 716/423-1320.

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ONTARIO, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - John Cavallucci, president of CVB Financial Corp. announced Tuesday that CVB will begin a program of repurchasing its own shares of common stock in one or more open-market or private purchases.

The board of directors of CVB feels that at times its stock is undervalued and represents a good purchase on the part of CVB that will significantly enhance the shareholders' investment in CVB.

The officers of CVB have been authorized to repurchase, from time to time, shares of common stock for up to an aggregate purchase of $3 million. The common stock's current price is $9.375.

At Sept. 30, 1990, CVB had consolidated assets of $509.9 million, consolidated net loans of $358.1 million and consolidated deposits of $457.1 million. As of Sept. 30, 1990, there were 5,957,640 shares of common stock issued and outstanding.

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BEDMINSTER, NJ (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Officials of NUI Corp. (NYSE:NUI) Tuesday announced the planned dates of the NUI and Pennsylvania Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ:PENT) shareholder meetings to consider the proposed merger

between NUI and PEI.

The NUI and PEI meetings will be held on Oct. 30 and 31 respectively, while United Water Resources (NYSE:UWR) announced that a UWR shareholder meeting date to consider the sale by PEI of its water operations to UWR is likely to be in November or as soon as practical and will be announced at a later date as soon as it receives clearance of its proxy materials by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The timing of the proposed merger and sale of PEI and its subsidiary, Pennsylvania Gas & Water Co. (PG&W), has required an amendment of some provisions of the definitive agreements. The amendments were signed by all parties late yesterday afternoon.

The amendments give the parties until Dec. 15 to satisfy certain conditions. A closing would have to be held by Jan. 16, 1991. NUI officials said that while progress has been slower than they anticipated when the agreements were signed five months ago, a closing could take place before year end.

The Merger Agreement between NUI and PEI provides for stockholders of PEI to receive from NUI $52.05 for each share of PEI common stock. Forty percent of the aggregate purchase price will be payable in cash and the remaining 60 percent in shares of NUI common stock, valued at the average price over 20 trading days prior to the merger.

In no event will PEI stockholders receive more than 3.0 shares or fewer than 2.6 shares for each full share of PEI common stock exchanged for NUI common stock. Immediately following the merger of PEI into NUI, PG&W will be merged into NUI.

The Asset Purchase Agreement signed on April 23 provides for United Water's acquisition of the water operations and related assets of PEI for approximately $220 million, subject to adjustment for several factors, including among others, the level of expenditures associated with the construction program currently under way by PEI.

The consummation of the transactions is conditioned upon receipt of regulatory approvals, stockholder approvals and certain other conditions.

NUI Corp., headquartered in Bedminster, is an exempt public utility holding company engaged in the distribution of natural gas to approximately 300,000 customers in New Jersey and Florida.

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EAST HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - TRC Cos. Inc. (AMEX:TRR), announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, TRC Environmental Consultants Inc. (TRC-ECI) has signed a contract with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimated at $9,750,000.

The 5-year program for technical assistance on development and service of a unified air emission database for EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, includes an initial year estimated at $1.7 million with $8.0 million in options over the 4 subsequent years.

With this contract award, TRC-ECI emerges as the government's chief expert on organizing and managing air emission data. The date which broadly comes from industrial sites, state and local air pollution agencies and virtually all sectors of the federal government is extensively used in government air programs nationally.

The increasing importance of the database in light of the proposed new Clean Air's emphasis on emission inventory, together with TRC's knowledge and proven strength with air permitting and air toxics assessment strategically positions TRC-ECI as a leading environmental firm in the industrial and government marketplaces.

TRC Cos. and its engineering and instrument subsidiaries service clients from offices in 14 states.

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NEW HARTFORD, NY (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - PAR Technology Corp. (NYSE:PTC) PAR Microsystems Corp., a subsidiary of PAR Technology Corp., introduced Tuesday in Atlanta, three industrial application software products for IBM's data collection systems and family of 7527 data collection terminals.

PAR is demonstrating these new products, and the IBM systems' they support, at the SCAN-TECH 90 Conference and Exhibition, Oct. 2 - 4, at the Georgia World Congress Center in Atlanta.

PAR's three new products, CIMscribe, CIMbridge, and CIMprint, are the first vendor-supplied application software packages to fully support IBM's new 7527 multi-line and graphics intelligent terminals. These products execute in IBM PS/2 or Industrial Computer OS/2 environments.

CIMscribe integrates user-application tools with such factory-floor functions as data collection transaction processing, time and attendance, labor reporting, job and material tracking, label printing, and data importing/exporting. CIMscribe functions as a distributed node in a host-based computer integrated manufacturing system or as a standalone data collection system.

CIMbridge enables IBM's many 8100/364X customers to cost effectively migrate their application programs to IBM's strategic Computer Integrated Manufacturing (CIM) and Systems Application Architecture (SAA) platforms. These customers can enhance performance, upgrade at convenient intervals, and preserve their investment in 8100/DPPX applications software and plant wiring.

CIMprint processes input from CIMbridge, CIMscribe, or user-written applications to produce user-defined images for printing tags, labels, travelers, and other documents. Its printed output can include any combination of text, bar codes, magnetic encoding, and optical character reader (OCR) fonts.

These products result from the close relationship of PAR and IBM as Business Partners. PAR develops and manufactures Data Collection Systems that IBM exclusively markets to its industrial-sector customers. In addition, PAR performs, for the industrial marketplace, Systems Integration work-customizing, installing, and supporting Data Collection Systems for IBM CIM customers.

This Business Partnership typifies PAR's corporate history of long-term relationships with major corporations or agencies and attests to IBM's confidence in PAR's technology skills and product quality.

PAR also supplies transaction-processing information systems to food-service and convenience-store markets and provides computer-based system design, development, evaluation, and integration services to the Federal Government.

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BATESVILLE, IN (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Tuesday, Hillenbrand Industries Inc. (NYSE:HB) announced unaudited results for the third quarter ended Sept. 1.

Hillenbrand Industries Inc.
Summary of Consolidated Revenues and Income
(In Thousands Except Per Share Data)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	09/01/90	09/02/89	09/01/90	09/02/89

Net revenues:				
Industrial	$250,015	$232,146	$792,379	$718,367
Insurance	9,471	5,396	24,929	13,760
Total net revenues . .	259,486	237,542	817,308	732,127
Inc. before inc. taxes .	26,735	26,378	93,932	88,012
Income taxes	10,721	10,877	37,667	36,294
Net income	16,014	15,501	56,265	51,718
Earnings/common share .	.43	.42	1.52	1.39

W August Hillenbrand, president and chief executive officer, stated that during the third quarter, total revenues of $259.5 million were 9.2 percent higher than the third quarter of 1989. Industrial segment revenues rose 7.7 percent to $250.0 million, while the Insurance segment increased 75.5 percent to $9.5 million for the comparable period. Net income of $16.0 million was 3.3 percent higher, and earnings per share of 43 cents compared to 42 cents in last year's third quarter. All 1989 figures have been restated for the new insurance accounting standard adopted this year.

Both Health Care companies reported higher revenues in the third quarter. SSI's growth and operating results were affected by a seasonal drop in rental beds in-use.

Revenues in the Durables segment, comprised of American Tourister and Medeco, were flat due to a generally weak economy. Operating profits were also affected by higher manufacturing and fixed costs.

The increase in revenues and improvement in operating margin at the Batesville Casket Co. were due to a combination of selling price and volume increases.

The Forethought insurance group's performance continues to meet management's expectations. New product and service enhancements have been well-received, which should strengthen Forethought's growing leadership position.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Cincinnati Bell Inc. (NYSE:CSN) announced Tuesday it has completed the acquisition of Unitel Communications Inc., an Ohio based long distance service reseller.

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio has approved the transaction.

The purchase price was not disclosed.

Unitel will be merged into the Cincinnati Bell Long Distance division of LDN

Communications, the resale subsidiary of Cincinnati Bell Inc. Based in Columbus, Ohio, Unitel provides service to the Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton and Akron areas. The relationship gives LDN an entry into the northern half of Ohio. LDN currently operates in Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio.

Cincinnati Bell Inc. supplies telecommunications, information management and telemarketing services.

Services include information systems development, data processing and systems consulting, discount long distance telecommunications, marketing research, electronic database services, telecommunications equipment supply and repair, and inbound and outbound telemarketing.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Southern Pacific Lines announced Tuesday that it has obtained the necessary authorization from the Interstate Commerce Commission to extend its service from Kansas City to Chicago, a step which permits SP Lines to offer direct service between Chicago and the West Coast.

Southern Pacific Lines will be operating over trackage rights obtained from the Burlington Northern railroad between Kansas City and Chicago. SP will operate its own trains with its own crews.

Limited operations over the trackage rights began on Friday, Sept. 28, and SP said operations will be increased over the next several weeks as crews are qualified and tariffs for the new route take effect.

SP Lines, the last of the major western railroads without direct access to the transportation hub of Chicago, reached the city on lines from the Gulf Coast and Southwest last November, after SP Lines' parent, Rio Grande Industries, purchased a 282-mile St. Louis-Chicago line from the Chicago, Missouri & Western railroad.

SP Lines is the system of rail carriers owned by RGI and includes Southern Pacific Transportation Co., Denver and Rio Grande Western, St. Louis Southwestern, and SPCSL Corp.

Obtaining trackage rights on the 466-mile Burlington Northern route across Missouri and Illinois now also gives the SP system a fast, competitive route from California points via Kansas City to Chicago, Mohan said.

The operating unit for SP Lines on the new route is SPCSL Corp. As the owner of the St. Louis-Chicago line across Illinois, SPCSL already has operating rights in the Chicago area which will be necessary to support SP Lines' new Kansas City-Chicago service. SP Lines is engaged in a $36 million improvement project on the St. Louis route, to speed up both Amtrak and freight service.

Trackage agreements also have been obtained from the Norfolk Southern rail system, which operates about 24 miles of the route in Missouri through joint or paired track agreements with BN, SP said.

SP's Mohan said extension of SP Lines' service into Chicago was supported before the ICC by almost 1,000 shippers and many state and local government agencies.

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ZAANDAM, The Netherlands (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - An extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Koninklijke Ahold nv, on October 30, 1990, has the following items on its agenda: Cancellation of Preferred Stock

One proposal is the cancellation of all Koninklijke Ahold preferred stock outstanding. The Board of the ''Stichting Ahold Continu teit'' (Ahold Continuity Foundation), holder of all preferred stock outstanding, has given its approval. Last year preferred stock was issued as a safeguard against a possible unfriendly takeover. The Corporate Executive Board of Koninklijke Ahold and the Board of the ''Stichting'' consider this threat to be over, so that the preferred stock can now be cancelled. Stock-split

At the same meeting it will be proposed to split each Ahold Dfl 5.00 par value common share into two Dfl 2.50 par value shares. The stock-split is proposed in connection with the intended US listing of Ahold on NASDAQ, the National Association of Security Dealers Automated Quotation System. The stock-split is meant to encourage trading in Ahold stock. Through the split Koninklijke Ahold expects to bring the market price of its shares more in line with those of comparable companies listed in the United States.

Based in The Netherlands, Koninklijke Ahold is one of Europe's largest food retailers and one of the top 10 supermarket operators in the USA. Ahold's shares trade on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange and may be accessed on the Reuters Equities 2000 service under the symbol AHLN.AS and on Quotron under the symbol AHOLN.EU. They also trade in ADR form in the US (symbol 3KAHLY on the electronic OTC Bulletin Board).

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Richard Taylor, 212/889-4350.

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STATEN ISLAND, NY (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantic Express Inc. (NASDAQ:ATEX) announced Tuesday expected financial results for the year ended June 30.

The company also annouced it has experienced a delay in finalizing its financial statements for the 1990 year end as a result of a change in its independent accountants to Laventhol & Horwarth. The company presently expects completed financial statements to be available in approximately two weeks.

Revenues for the year ended June 30 are projected to increase to approximately $87.8 million as compared to the $70.5 million for the prior year. Net income for the 1990 year end is expected to decrease to approximately $500,000 as compared to $1.8 million for the 1989 year end.

Atlantic Express Inc. is one of the largest school bus contract carriers in New York City with a fleet of 1,400 buses currently transporting approximately 65,000 school children daily. The company also provides charter, tour and commuter bus transportation services. Atlantic Express Inc. operates an entertainment division presently consisting of the Showplace Bowling Center and a joint venture interest in a ten-plex theatre complex in Staten Island, as well as an upscale restaurant in Piscataway, N.J.

The Showplace Center encompasses a 64 lane bowling facility with computerized state-of-art equipment, an upscale restaurant, two cocktail lounges and additional retail space.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Duratek Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DRTK), a subsidiary of National Patent Development Corp. (AMEX/PSE:NPD), entered into a distribution agreement with Westinghouse Electric Corp. in August.

Under this agreement, Westinghouse Electric Corp. will become the sole distributor of Durasils for use in commercial nuclear power plants outside the U.S. and Canada with the exception of France, Yugoslavia, Taiwan, Japan and Korea.

Durasils are ion-specific, ion exchange media, proprietary to Duratek, that have highly selective exchange capabilities. Unlike organic media, which use

most of their exchange sites removing materials that can safely be returned to the environment, Durasils use most of their exchange sites to remove radioactive elements such as cobalt, cesium, and iodine from wastewater. This results in a greater volume of water being cleaned with less media than is possible with organic media.

Since their commercialization in 1984, Durasils have been used to remove radioactive elements from wastewater at U.S. commercial nuclear plants and DOE nuclear facilities. The distribution agreement between Westinghouse Electric Corp. and Duratek is expected to facilitate the expansion of Durasils into the European nuclear marketplace.

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WILLOW GROVE, PA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Intelligent Systems Inc. and Kulicke and Soffa Industries Inc. Tuesday announced an agreement in which K&S will purchase substantial numbers of machine vision computers and software from AISI to be integrated with K&S' semiconductor production equipment.

The agreement could be worth millions of dollars over the next three years.

''This new agreement represents a partnership between two companies with the world's most advanced technology in their respective areas,'' said Jim Anderson, president and CEO of AISI.

According to the agreement, AISI will sell its AIS-3000 family of vision computers and vision software to K&S for integration into K&S' semiconductor production equipment. The AISI vision systems are based on parallel processing hardware and neural network software.

The vision computer will perform such tasks as precisely locating integrated circuit die, locating the leads that are to be bonded to the die and other, as yet unspecified, tasks. The AISI systems will replace K&S' own vision system on selected models of K&S' products.

AISI's neural network approach, which employs hundreds of thousands of individual software processing units, rather than the central CPU used in conventional computing, has been in use in many manufacturing industries for the past three years. The K&S/AISI agreement, however, represents the most extensive use of this technology to date.

K&S is one of the largest and most experienced users of machine vision in the world. Their present machine vision computer has been in constant use since

K&S designed and built it 10 years ago. More than 7,500 machine vision computers have been shipped by K&S as components of the company's products.

Kulicke and Soffa is a leading global supplier of assembly equipment and systems for the semiconductor industry. K&S serves both the IC and hybrid markets with sales and service facilities worldwide. In addition to wire bonding systems, the company's product line includes wafer preparation, wafer dicing and die bonding systems. Traded on the Over-the-Counter National Market (NASDAQ: KLIC), the company's headquarters are in Willow Grove, Pa.

Applied Intelligent Systems Inc., manufactures a complete family of machine vision computers and software. These computers and software are used by many OEM's, corporate automation groups and research institutions to develop advanced manufacturing processes that require machine vision for improved quality and reliability.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Tuesday announced a two-cent decrease in the base spot sales price of refined lead.

Its new price effective immediately is 43 cents per pound, F.O.B. delivered in carload lots.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Shorewood Packaging Corp. (NASDAQ:SHOR) Tuesday announced the acquisition of certain of the operating assets of Toronto Carton Ltd. for a cash consideration of approximately $2.5 million.

Toronto Carton Ltd., whose annual volume is approximately $10 million, is a manufacturer of folding cartons in Toronto, Canada servicing both the Canadian and United States markets in the general consumer packaging area.

As part of this acquisition, the litigation between Shorewood and Toronto Carton Ltd. has been discontinued by the parties.

''We are extremely pleased that we have completed this acquisition,'' stated Paul B. Shore, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer. ''This acquisition will enable Shorewood to further expand its operations in the general consumer packaging area in both the U.S. and Canadian markets.''

Shorewood Packaging Corp. and its subsidiaries print and manufacture high quality paperboard packaging for such industries as music, home video, food, tobacco, film, cosmetics and toiletries. The company's executive offices are in New York City, with manufacturing and sales operations in New York, Georgia Alabama, Virginia, Illinois, California, Canada and England.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - SkyPix Corp. announced Tuesday that it will lease satellite capacity from Hughes Communications Inc., under a long-term agreement between the two companies.

SkyPix is the 80-channel direct-to-home satellite service that is expected to revolutionize home entertainment by offering more choice than cable TV and more convenience than video stores.

The system will become operational in early 1991 and will eventually expand to utilize its full 250-channel capacity.

The agreement - one of the largest satellite agreements ever - provides SkyPix with 10 transponders on SBS 6, an all-Ku-band satellite, and includes an arrangement for SkyPix to migrate its service in early 1993 from SBS 6 to Galaxy IV, Hughes Communications' planned next-generation hybrid C- and Ku-band satellite. SkyPix will lease 12 Ku-band transponders on Galaxy IV.

SkyPix is designed to provide consumers with a whole new way to watch TV, while offering viewers the world's first in-home video store. SKyPix viewers will be able to choose from 40 to 50 major Hollywood films at any time in a virtual on-demand programming schedule. In addition to movies, SkyPix will offer an exciting selection of news, sports, major live events, music, original children's programming and a package of superstations from around the nation.

The heart of the SkyPix system is a small, lightweight 22-inch to 36-inch antenna (size dependent on geographic location) and sleek remote-control receiver that will be sold through consumer electronics specialty chains and satellite retailers at a suggested retail price of $699. As for programming, Hollywood's major studios and independents have already agreed to supply product to SkyPix.

The breadth of programming to be offered by SkyPix is made possible by a dramatic breakthrough in digital video compression technology developed over the past four years. This exclusive SkyPix technology can ''squeeze'' up to 20 channels into the bandwidth of a single satellite transponder.

Another key technology in the SkyPix system is the use of medium-power Ku-band satellites. Transmissions from Ku-band satellites -- which are much stronger than those of C-band satellites - can be received by small dishes, making SkyPix practical for a wide range of homeowners.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Audre Recognition Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ADREF) has set up its Document Conversion System at the U.S. Army's Logistic Support Test Bed Facility at Fort Monmouth, N.J.

''AUDRE's equipment is being evaluated by the Army as it relates to the technology required for defense contractors to meet the Computer-aided Acquisition and Logistics Support (CALS) standards established by the Department of Defense,'' stated Thomas F. Casey, AUDRE's chairman and chief executive officer.

The conflict in Iraq has caused the U.S. Military to rapidly deploy weapon systems and troops on a massive scale. Included with this deployment are the Defense Department's newest weapons, including the F-117 Stealth Fighter and the M-1 Tank. The Military's Logistics Command faces the challenge of procurement, deployment, maintenance and resupply of these items.

In order to more efficiently meet future challenges of this nature, the Department of Defense is currently investigating some of the most advanced computer technologies in the world, with the intent to select the premier method for converting technical information such as maps or maintenance manuals into digital data which can be rapidly accessed and used in support of activities such as Desert Shield.

Once transformed into computer data through the AUDRE System, critical information could be transmitted directly to battlefields or be used to assist in the procurement and management of sophisticated weapon systems.

Repair manuals, containing the most recent updates or parts information, could conceivably be printed on-site to maintain systems rapidly deployed and which incorporate the newest equipment modifications.

AUDRE, a seven year old concern, is a leader in the field of automated conversion. The company designs, develops and markets a line of proprietary artificial intelligence-based software systems to convert paper or microfilm drawings, blueprints, technical documents and maps into computer-intelligent formats.

AUDRE's products are used primarily within the multi-billion design/engineering, mapping and technical publications industries. Some of its customers include McDonnell Douglas, Niagara Mohawk Power Co., TRW, Chevron, Pacific Bell, United Air Lines and The California Department of Transportation.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Intermetrics Inc. (NASDAQ:IMET) Tuesday reported revenues of $13,825,000 for the second quarter of fiscal year 1991 which ended Aug. 31, 1990, compared to $11,648,000 for the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

Net income for the quarter was $515,000, or 14 cents per share, compared to $562,000, or 16 cents per share, a year ago.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, revenues were $26,096,000 compared to $23,252,000 for the same period last year. Net income was $1,011,000, or 28 cents per share, compared to $1,157,000, or 32 cents per share, a year ago.

In making the announcement Joseph A. Saponaro, president and chief executive officer, noted that ''The higher revenues resulted primarily from the increased backlog recorded during the latter half of the prior year and beginning of the new year. The company's growing activity as a prime contractor, billing customers for its services and those of its subcontractors has contributed to the increase in revenues.

Contract awards recorded during the second quarter retained the company's backlog at approximately $50 million. The total potential value associated with this backlog grew approximately 6 percent to $161 million during the second quarter.

Earnings were comparatively lower due primarily to the competitive nature of the U.S. Government defense-related market. Intermetrics believes that its sound balance sheet and steady backlog represents an advantage in an environment characterized by rising competition and growing economic

uncertainties.''

Headquartered in Cambridge, Intermetrics is a leading software company providing professional engineering and software services, standard software products and integrated systems to commercial and U.S. Government customers. The company specializes in embedded computer-based information systems.

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KINGSTON, NY (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - National Micronetics Inc. (NASDAQ: NMIC) announced final financial results for its fourth fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1990.

For the fourth quarter, National Micronetics reported sales of $10,782,000 resulting in a net loss of $1,309,000 compared to a year earlier sales of $10,022,000 and a net loss of $435,000.

Final results for the year ended June 30, 1990 included sales of $42,126,000 with a net loss of $5,121,000 compared to sales of $41,932,000 and a net profit of $944,000 for the prior year.

The auditors, KPMG Peat Marwick, noted that the financial statements had been prepared by assuming that National Micronetics Inc. will continue as a going concern; however, the auditors disclaimed expressing an opinion on the financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 by reason of uncertainties as to the company's ability to obtain the financial resources necessary in order to convert its MIG (Metal-In-Gap) technology into volume production.

Robert C. Ristagno, president of National Micronetics, noted that, as previously announced, the company is currently engaged in negotiations with an offshore company looking for an equity investment by that offshore company in NMI with a series of collateralized bridge loans to precede that investment.

If the negotiations are successful, the company anticipates it will be able to achieve satisfactory production of its new products.

National Micronetics Inc. is an independent magnetic recording head manufacturer for the disk drive industry.

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STOUGHTON, MA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Reebok International Ltd. (NYSE:RBK) declared its regular quarterly cash dividend of $.075 per share on its common stock, payable on Jan. 3, 1991 to stockholders of record as of Dec. 13, 1990.

Reebok International Ltd., headquartered in Stoughton, is the leading designer and marketer of active lifestyle and performance products, including footwear and apparel.

The company's operating units include the AVIA, Boston Whaler, Reebok, Rockport and Apparel Products (including the Ellesse sportswear brand) divisions. Sales for 1989 totaled $1.822 billion.

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MILPITAS, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Octel Communications Corp. (NASDAQ:OCTL) and Hewlett-Packard Co. (NYSE:HWP) Tuesday announced the signing of a two-year $4 million contract under which Hewlett-Packard will purchase Octel voice processing systems and applications software packages for expansion of its international voice mail network.

Hewlett-Packard is currently among Octel's largest customers, with more than 45,000 HP employees in the United States and Europe using Octel voice processing systems.

''Octel systems have proven themselves to be an important element of our communications strategy within Hewlett-Packard,'' said Lloyd Taylor, director of corporate information systems at HP.

''The systems we have purchased from Octel over the last five years have improved our employee productivity and have paid for themselves through significant cost savings. We are expanding the Octel network to provide for increased use of this valuable technology.''

Octel Communications Corp. designs, manufactures and markets a full line of high-performance voice processing systems. Octel's Aspen product line is sold in the United States, Canada and overseas to small business and large multisite corporations.

The Sierra multiple-application voice processing platform is a very large

capacity system designed to meet the special needs of telephone companies and other voice information service providers. Octel was founded in 1982 and has headquarters in Milpitas.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

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COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Drug Emporium Inc., (NASDAQ:DEMP) Monday declared a cash dividend of six cents per share payable Jan. 2, 1991, to the holders of record on Dec. 3, 1990.

This dividend represents a 20-percent increase over the dividend paid in January 1990. Drug Emporium currently has about 12.9 million shares outstanding.

Other actions taken by the board included the election of Robert H. Morosky, 49, as a director. Philip I. Wilber, chairman of the board, said: ''We are delighted to have someone with bob morosky's vast retailing experience available. We expanded the board to 12 members to accommodate him. His advice and counsel will be invaluable to the board in guiding Drug emporium in a rapidly changing industry.''

Morosky is currently chairman of Safelite Glass Corp., a privately owned manufacturer and distributor of auto glass with five plants, 45 warehouses and 600 company-owned stores. He is also a director of Lear Siegler Inc., a private manufacturing conglomerate, and Moen Inc., a privately owned plumbing-fixture manufacturer. His business activities include his own investment firm and he is a limited partner in Forstmann Little & Co., an investment company.

Having spent most of his business career in key retailing positions, Morosky served as president of Allied/Federated Department Stores and for 15 years was with the Limited Inc., as vice chairman. Earlier, he was a certified public accountant and retailing consultant with Arthur Andersen & Co.

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NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (NYSE:FTX) announced today that it had executed an agreement in principle with plaintiffs to settle the lawsuits which have been filed challenging FTX's previously announced merger agreement with Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas Co. (NYSE:FMP), which had been entered into prior to the early-August Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Pursuant to the proposed settlement, which is subject to court approval, FTX has agreed to increase the consideration to be paid in the merger (in the form of FTX Common Stock) for each publicly-held share of FMP Common Stock to $11.00 per FMP share from $10.50 per FMP share.

The fraction of a share of FTX Common Stock to be received for each FMP share upon completion of the merger will be determined by valuing FMP at $11.00 per share and valuing FTX at an average of the composite tape closing prices for 10 trading days prior to formal FMP shareholder approval.

As previously agreed, for purposes of calculating this fractional FTX share, the FTX stock price will be no lower than $31.875 per share and no higher that $38.875 per share. Under the formula, the fraction of an FTX share to be received for each FMP share will be between .345 and .283 FTX share per FMP share.

The agreement also provides that FTX's obligation to consummate the merger is subject to court approval of the settlement and the absence of any material objection being filed to the settlement.

FTX and plaintiffs have agreed to use their best efforts to obtain court approval of the settlement by Nov. 13, 1990, so that the merger can be consummated in time for FMP stockholders to receive the scheduled FTX December dividends aggregating 62.5 cents per share of FTX common stock.

If the conditions to consummation of the merger are not satisfied by Nov. 15, 1990, the agreement provides that FTX will have no obligation to pay these dividends to FMP stockholders or otherwise compensate them therefor. FTX anticipates amending its merger agreement with FMP shortly to reflect the terms of the proposed settlement.

FTX is a leader in the exploration, mining, development, production, processing, and marketing of natural resources. The company's assets include

sulphur, phosphate rock, phosphate fertilizer products, oil and natural gas, copper, gold and other natural resources.

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EATONTOWN, NJ (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Roberts Pharmaceutical Corp. (NASDAQ:RPCX) and its U.K. based subsidiary, Monmouth Pharmaceuticals Ltd. of Guildford, England, jointly announced Tuesday that an agreement has been reached with Prographarm Laboratories of Paris, whereby Monmouth has acquired the product rights for two cardiovascular products in the U.K. and one of these in the Republic of Ireland.

The products are a recently approved anti-arrhythmic and a beta-blocker currently awaiting formal approval. One product is available in immediate and sustained release forms, the other in sustained release, and both will be marketed and sold under Monmouth's own distinctive trademarks. It is expected that both products will be launched during the next business quarter.

Under the terms of the agreement, Prographarm Laboratories will provide Monmouth's entire requirements of the products in finished form.

Monmouth is currently marketing kidney stone and gall stone therapy products in the U.K., ROWACHOL and ROWATINEX; the cardiovascular MIDON, in the Republic of Ireland, and the broad based Sinclair product line in Ireland.

Roberts Pharmaceutical Corp. is in the business of acquiring, developing and marketing pharmaceuticals for use in the treatment of cancer, respiratory disease, pain management, endocrine/metabolic disorders, cardiovascular disease, urinary disorders and iron overload conditions in the United States and abroad.

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BILLERICA, MA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Bull HN Information Systems Inc. Tuesday announced it has completed the acquisition of Honeywell Federal Systems Inc. from Honeywell Inc.

The companies have received all necessary U.S. government approvals and have announced a final purchase price of $93 million.

Bull's new wholly owned subsidiary has changed its corporate name to HFS Inc. but will continue to be called HFSI. HFSI will continue its mission of providing systems integration, computer products and technical services to the U.S. government, prime contractors and NATO. The unit, which employes approximately 1,600 people, will contine to operate from its current McLean, Va., headquarters. HFSI's 1989 sales were $274 million.

Due to Bull's foreign ownership, HFSI will be operated under a proxy arrangement. The three independent proxyholders, retired U.S. Air Force Gen. Monroe W. Hatch Jr, retired U.S. Army Gen. John A. Wickham Jr. and Earl C. Williams, chief executive officer of BDM International Inc., will represent Bull's interests and serve as members of the HFSI board of directors

Several successful government contractors are owned by foreign interests and operate under proxy agreements. Reviewed and approved by the Department of Defense, the proxyholders represent the business interests of the shareholder (in this case Bull) and provide guidance to the operation's management. At the same time, they ensure that classified information that is part of the normal course of business is protected.

Bull HN Information Systems Inc. provide proprietary and open information systems, software and services to customers in 28 countries. With over 17,000 employees, including 8,100 employees based in the United States, the company had revenues of $2.1 billion in 1989.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM Tuesday announced a series of new products enhancing its Advanced Function Printer family, including the IBM 3900, the highest-speed printer IBM has ever announced.

With today's additions, the IBM Advanced Function Printer family provides large-system customers a full range of printer options from high-speed cutsheet and continuous-forms printers to desktop models. Advanced Function Printing software announced today enables customers to centrally manage all printing in their enterprise, and to integrate printing tasks with other system-based business solutions for increased productivity.

''This is the most comprehensive printer announcement IBM has ever made,'' said William O. Grabe, IBM vice president and general manager, marketing, IBM U.S. Marketing and Services.

''Never before has IBM provided customers such a broad selection of features for both cutsheet and continuous-forms printers with this range of speeds.''

The new advanced function printers, along with currently supported page printers, can be attached (via 3270 controllers and adapters) to both System/370 (a) and the recently announced System/390 (a) processors.

New Printers and Printer Features

New products announced today include:

IBM 3900 Advanced Function printer - a non-impact, continuous-forms printer that provides customers all-points addressable printing at speeds up to 229 impressions per minute (ipm) and up to 5.6 million standard 8 1/2-inch forms per month.

IBM 3828 Advanced Function MICR printer - a channel- attached, cutsheet duplex printer that does Magnetic Ink Character Recognition (MICR) printing at speeds up to 92 ipm and up to 2 million impressions per month using a 480-picture element (PEL) printhead.

IBM 3835 MICR Post-Processing Interface - an attachment to the 3835 control unit. This interface directs appropriate MICR print fields to the Troy TMP 3835 MICR printer for cost-effective MICR solutions on applications that require continuous-forms output. This solution is provided to customers in cooperation with Troy, a division of Pierce Companies, Inc.

IBM Advanced Function Image and Graphics Feature for the IBM 3825 and 3835 Page Printers - a feature that enables these general-purpose printers to process compressed image and vector graphics. This feature also provides customers increased performance for existing text and raster image applications.

IBM LaserPrinter 4028 Model NS1 - an advanced function general-purpose letter-quality printer that attaches to the 3270 family of controllers and adapters. It prints text, images, graphics, barcodes and optical character recognition at up to 10 ipm and 20 thousand impressions per month with 300 PEL addressability. It is the newest member of the IBM LaserPrinter family and provides the same features as the LaserPrinters designed for the IBM PS/2 and AS/400.

AFP support for the IBM 4028 Model NS1 enables customers to convert applications written for 240 PEL fonts and images to 300 PEL font and images

used by the 4028. SAA Image Architecture enables the 4028 printer to perform resolution correction for these images.

New Advanced Function Printing Software Features

New functions for IBM Advanced Function Printing include a new version of Print Services Facility (PSF) for Multiple Virtual Systems (MVS), Virtual Machine (VM) and Virtual Storage Extended (VSE) operating systems that includes support for the new printers announced today.

PSF is the product that accepts application program data and prints it (optionally merged with image, graphics, or overlays) on IBM printers that span a wide range of speeds from 3 to 229 impressions per minute. Differences between printer characteristics and carrier protocols, such as channels and telecommunications lines, are handled automatically by PSF. PSF also provides customers system management functions such as automatic resource management, message routing and comprehensive print job accounting.

Enhancements for PSF Version 2 include:

A new package providing support for all AFP printers which gives customers a simpler way of installing PSF and managing their application growth.

A new pricing structure, including a low entry price, that more closely aligns the price of print driver software with the value received by the customer.

Support for IBM 4224 and 4234 printers in PSF/MVS Version 2. Support for IBM 3812 and 3816 printers and Systems Application Manager (SAA) Remote PrintManager in PSF/VSE Version 2.

PSF/VSE Version 2 also gives customers improved job management functions and a sample utility for transferring print resources from an MVS or VM system to VSE.

New functional capabilities that simplify the development of print applications and the management and operation of PSF software and AFP printers.

Additional New Software

New IBM AFP Core Interchange fonts available with Version 2 of PSF are part of the implementation IBM announced on March 5, 1990 of the Adobe Systems Inc. font technology. These fonts will give customers consistent printing across AFP platforms and printing of OS/2 Presentation Manager-based applications on host-attached printers. Availability of display and printer fonts with the same typeface and size enables Presentation Manager applications to give users WYSIWYG (what-you-see-is-what-you-get) capability on printers.

Document Composition Facility (DCF) Version 1 Release 4 enhances customer

inhouse publishing and text processing solutions through many new functions such as shading, color separation and support for the IBM LaserPrinter 4028. These enhancements meet a number of customer needs and requirements of SHARE and GUIDE user groups.

Pricing and Availability

The IBM 3900 Advanced Function Printer is planned for limited availability in the second quarter of 1991 and general availability in the third quarter of 1991 for a list price of $289,500.

The IBM 3828 Advanced Function MICR Printer availability is planned for November 1990 for a list price of $260,000.

The IBM Advanced Function Image and Graphics feature availability is planned for October 19, 1990 for the IBM 3825 page printer and in the first quarter of 1991 for the IBM 3835. List price for the feature is $12,750 for either printer.

The IBM LaserPrinter 4028 Model NS1 availability is planned for October 12, 1990 for a list price of $6495.

IBM PSF/VSE Version 2 availability is planned for November 16, 1990. IBM PSF/MVS Version 2 and PSF/VM Version 2 availability are planned for March 29, 1991. List prices range from $250 to $2200 per month.

Marketing and Channels

The IBM 3835 MICR Post-Processing Interface is available only on a request-for-pricing-quotation basis. The Troy TMP 3835 MICR Printer is available through IBM's Cooperative Hardware Marketing Program.

All other products are marketed in the United States by IBM's U.S. Marketing & Services organization. The IBM LaserPrinter 4028 Model NS1 is also marketed by IBM Authorized Industry Remarketers. -0-

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Hellmuth, Obata & Kassabaum (HOK), the country's second largest architectural firm Tuesday announced it has acquired

the New York offices of PHH Environments, formerly Neville Lewis Associates.

In addition, members of the PHH Los Angeles office have joined HOK's L.A. office.

This acquisition means that HOK's New York office is now one of the largest interior design firms in the city and significantly broadens the already wide range of architectural and strategic planning services currently offered by HOK to its worldwide client base.

The acquisition of PHH Environments was negotiated by its parent company PHH Corp., a firm with 1989 revenues of nearly $2 billion, and HOK's New York office. Established in 1973, HOK's New York office will grow to 170 professionals with the addition of the New York based interior design staff of PHH Environments.

Revenues for HOK's New York office are anticipated to rise from $13 million to $18 million in 1990 as a result of this transaction.

HOK provides architectural, landscape and interios design services to a wide range of clients including AT&T, Mobil, Campbell Soup Co., J.P. Morgan & Co., NYNEX, Rockefeller Center and Columbia University.

Jerry Davis, managing principal, HOK NY said, ''This merger is part of our long range strategic plans to position HOK for the future and attain new levels of growth while maintaining our highest values of design quality, client service and personal dedication. PHH environments shares those values and our two firms will work well together because of this shared vision of the future.''

Hugh Williamson, senior principal, HOK NY, said, ''This merger is the ideal marriage for us and our clients. Successful work in today's real estate market demands a broad range of services in strategic planning, architecture and interior design which can only be provided by a firm such as ours that has overall expertise in all areas.''

PHH Environments, New York was established in 1976 by Neville Lewis, and quickly merged as one of the nation's premier interior design and space planning firms. Since its inception, the New York office has installed more than 15 million square feet of office space, ranging from major headquarters to small renovation.

Among their clients are Citibank, Merrill Lynch, Dean Witter Reynolds and IBM. Neville Lewis, who founded Neville Lewis Associates, and will also join HOK said, ''Increased productivity and quality products and services are the hallmarks of today's successful businesses. The combined talents and track records of HOK and PHH Environments are a winning combination that will serve the diverse needs of our growing list of clients.''

Juliette Lam, managing principal of PHH Environments New York will join HOK as senior principal and head of the interiors group.

Lam said, ''The newly expanded HOK interiors group represents the best and the brightest in the interior design world. HOK's New York design staff was poised for growth and with the acquisition of PHH Environments/Neville Lewis moves it to the top of the field.

Elizabeth Minor, an HOK/New York Interiors Group principal who will assist in the expanded group's management, concurs, ''A strong collaboration of complementary teams is underway.''

HOK employs 1000 professionals worldwide and has offices in New York, St. Louis, Dallas, Kansas City, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Tampa, Washington D.C. Hong Kong and London.

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TORONTO (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - SOFTKEY SOFTWARE PRODUCTS Inc.- Michael Perik, chairman announced Tuesday the inclusion of the company in NASDAQ. Trading has commenced under the assigned symbol: SKEYF.

Mr. Perik stated that the NASDAQ listing will afford the company greater access to U.S. capital markets. ''SoftKey has been enjoying exceptional growth this year in the United States. It is logical therefore that we should become a publicly-traded company in the U.S.'' Mr. Perik also stated that the company will continue to maintain its listing on the Toronto Stock Exchange where it trades under the symbol:SSK.

SoftKey Software Products Inc. is one of America's leading publisher of software products for direct sale to PC users through mail-order catalogs.

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MARLBORO, MA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Stratus Computer Inc., a leading vendor of fault-tolerant computers for critical online applications, Tuesday announced that it has signed a value-added reseller (VAR) agreement with Epic Data Inc., of Richmond, British Columbia, a world leader in high-performance factory data collection systems.

The VAR pact opens a new distribution channel for Stratus in the manufacturing plant management systems market. Stratus sells its systems for critical online business applications in manufacturing and other industries, such as banking, brokerage, and retail. The Epic agreement comes on the heels of an OEM/reseller agreement between Stratus and Tokyo-based NEC Corp. Under that agreement, which was announced last week, NEC will resell Stratus systems into the telecommunications industry.

Stratus systems will be the first fault-tolerant computers to support Epic Data's software, providing an efficient solution for ensuring reliable, around-the-clock data collection. As well, Stratus systems will be the only fault-tolerant computers Epic Data resells.

Under the terms of the agreement, Epic Data will resell Stratus' full range of XA2000 Continuous Processing Systems running Epic Data's System Controller Software (SCS).

Founded in 1975, Epic Data manufactures, integrates, and supports data collection systems consisting of terminals, controllers, software, and accessories. Epic Data is headquartered in Richmond, British Columbia, Canada and has 13 offices in the United States, two in Canada, and one in England, as well as representatives in Asia and Australia. Epic Data is publicly traded on the Toronto and Vancouver Stock Exchanges (EKD).

Stratus Computer Inc., is a leading supplier of fault-tolerant systems for critical online computing applications, such as online transaction processing and online data communications and telecommunications applications. The company offers the broadest range of fault-tolerant systems and maintains the highest standard for computer reliability. One of the fastest-growing companies in the industry, Stratus reported revenues of $341.3 million for fiscal year 1989, up 29 percent from $265.3 million in 1988.

The company, whose headquarters are in Marlboro, Mass., has 11 international subsidiaries. Stratus Computer Inc. common stock is traded via the New York Stock Exchange and the Boston Stock Exchange under the trading symbol SRA.

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RICHMOND, Va. (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert H. Hilb, president of Hilb, Rogal & Hamilton Co. (NASDAQ: HRHC) announced an agreement in principle to merge has been reached with Dixon Sheehan Titus Inc. of Savannah, Ga., and

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co.'s Savannah insurance agency.

Terms were not disclosed.

The merger will be completed after filing of a supplement to Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co.'s Form S-4 Registration Statement as shares of the common stock of Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. will be issued in this transaction.

Hilb stated, ''The merger of this office will represent another orderly step in the expansion of our company and will strengthen our presence in Savannah.''

According to Thomas J. Sheehan Sr., who will become an executive vice president of Hilb's Savannah agency, ''This move will add additional insurance markets, expertise and stability to our firm, and assures that our tradition of service to the Savannah community will continue even stronger.''

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. provides insurance agency services to a wide variety of clients through its network of wholly owned subsidiaries which operate 39 insurance agencies in 15 states and the District of Columbia. The company is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol, HRHC.

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KNOXVILLE, TN (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Clayton Homes Inc. (NYSE:CMH) Tuesday announced that it will act as servicer for approximately $100 million of installment sales contracts owned by a newly created REMIC Trust.

The trust issued appproximately $70 million of 9.40 percent senior certificates which have been rated AAA by both Standard & Poors and Moody's. The senior certificates are guaranteed as to principal and interest by a financial guarantee policy issued by Financial Security Assurance Inc.

In addition to its servicing responsibilities, Clayton has purchased the junior certificates representing the residual interest in the REMIC by establishing a $12.5 million reserve fund for the senior certificates and by agreeing to pay the premium on the FSA policy.

The REMIC was formed by NCNB National Bank of North Carolina and Sovran Bank/Central South which owned the installment sales contracts and deposited them in the REMIC. NCNB Capital Markets Inc. has completed the private placement of the senior certificates.

Clayton's finance subsidiary, Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance Inc., will be responsible for servicing the $100 million of contracts owned by the REMIC.

This brings the total portfolio serviced by Vanderbilt to over $500 million.

Jim Clayton, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Clayton Homes Inc., said: ''We believe our servicing and ownership of the residual interest in the REMIC will produce value to our shareholders over the next seven to 10 years. In our fiscal year ending June 30, 1991, earnings will increase by 10 cents to 15 cents per share.

''Our ability to realize the $29.7 million residual interest in the contracts will depend on our ability to service this pool of contracts. Most of the contracts are located in Texas and were originated by savings institutions which were placed into receivership by the FSLIC. We are confident that the expertise developed by our finance subsidiary will enable us to ultimately realize a large part of the residual interest.''

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Richard B. Ray Jr., 615/970-1204.

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#90275b0798 10/02/1990 ~Business Wire
GUERNSEY, CHANNEL ISLANDS (OCT. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Insituform Group Limited (''IGL'') 1/8NASDAQ National Market: IGLSF (shares) and IGLWF (warrants)3/8 Tuesday announced that on Friday, September 28, 1990, the United States Securities and Exchange Commission declared effective an amendment to its registration statement covering the ordinary shares to be issued on exercise of Insituform Group Limited's publicly traded warrants (NASDAQ SYMBOL:IGLWF).

As such, the right of warrantholders to exercise their warrants into ordinary shares has been restored.

The present exercise price of the warrants is $3.14, which is the same price prior to the suspension of their exercisability. This exercise price will remain effective through November 28, 1990 or a total of 60 days, unless extended. The exercise price will then increase by $.38 to $3.52 and unless extended, the warrants will remain exercisable at that price for a further ten months before expiring on September 28, 1991.

There are a total of 703,852 Insituform Group Limited publicly traded warrants presently outstanding.

Insituform Group Limited, through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, owns the world-wide rights to a system of pipeline and conduit rehabilitation known as the Insituform Process. With more than 18,000 successfully completed contracts in over 40 countries, Insituform retains market lead, having renovated in excess of 4,000 km of pipeline to date.

By eliminating the need for disruptive excavation, the Insituform Process

provides a cost-effective solution to the problem of deteriorating pipe systems. A flexible non-woven fiber tube (Insitutube), impregnated with a liquid resin, is inverted by water pressure through the damaged pipe and is forced firmly against the inside of the pipe.

The resin is then cured, either by hot water or high frequency light, creating a durable new structural pipe within the old.

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#90275b0802 10/02/1990 ~Business Wire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - ORS Corp. (NASDAQ:ORSC) Tuesday announced the finalization of a contract with Petroleo Brasileiro S.A. - Petrobras, the Brazilian Government-owned oil company.

The contract will be administered by ORS Corp.'s joint venture partner Azevedo & Travassos S.A. (AT) and calls for the electromagnetic stimulation of four wells to be drilled by Petrobras in the Rio Panon field in northeast Brazil in the early spring of 1991.

ORS also announced the completion of the installation of its EM Process on two wells for Amoco Canada. The installations were made by EOR International Inc. the majority-owned marketing and operating affiliate of ORS. All operations are running smoothly and production figures will be reported when authorized by Amoco.

Other projects reported by ORS include three wells with Texaco scheduled for early October spud dates and one well with Mobil Oil Canada scheduled for electrical stimulation in late October. Both the Mobil and Texaco projects are in heavy oil fields in Canada.

ORS also announced the completion and equipping of a well in Wyoming for Marathon Oil Co. Stimulation of the Marathon well is also scheduled for late October.

ORS Corp.'s operating affiliate EOR International Inc. markets services and systems for electromagnetic stimulation of oil and gas wells from its head office in Calgary, Alberta.

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or
Kehoe White & Savage, Los Angeles
James K. White, 213/437-0655

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#90275b0806 10/02/1990 ~Business Wire
SOUTH HACKENSACK, NJ (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - AEP Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:AEPI) announces its intention to acquire the stretch film business of Princeton Packaging Inc.

This transaction is expected to be completed by mid-December and is contingent upon customary due diligence reviews and negotiations between the parties.

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Melanie Barba, 201/807-2301

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#90275b0814 10/02/1990 ~Business Wire
MORRISTOWN, NJ (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - NMR of America Inc. (NASDAQ:NMRR) announed Tuesday that Joseph G. Dasti had succeeded to the office of president and chief executive officer of the corporation.

Previously, on Aug. 20, 1990, Dasti had been elected chairman of the board. Dasti was from Nov. 13, 1986 to Feb. 23, 1990 a member of the executive committee of the board of directors of the corporation and participated closely in the day-to-day management and operation of the business.

Dasti was a director from July 9, 1986 to Feb. 23, 1990 and has been a shareholder of the corporation since 1983. He was re-elected a director on Aug. 20, 1990. Dasti stated that he was looking forward eagerly to the challenges posed by this new assignment and viewed it as an opportunity for the corporation to move forward.

NMR of America Inc. provides and maintains fully equipped imaging installations for operation by private physicians and groups of physicians under installation management agreement.

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Joseph Guy Dasti, 201/539-1082

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - New publishing software announced by Xerox Corp. (NYSE:XRX) enables project teams to easily collaborate on the creation of production-quality documents across computer networks.

The announcement was made Tuesday at the Seybold Computer Publishing Exposition being held here this week.

Called Xerox DocuBuild, the new software application provides features that enable workgroups to collectively manage and contribute to the publishing process. It is particularly useful for the creation of medium and large multi-author documents such as product manuals, technical proposals, scientific reports and regulatory filings.

DocuBuild's industry firsts include patent-protected, high-speed pagination technology and the only compound document ''What-You-See-Is-What-You-Get'' (WYSIWYG) support of the Standard Generalized Markup Language (SGML), which is the International Standards Organizations/Open Systems Interconnect (ISO/OSI) standard for formatting documents.

SGML is a core requirement for compliance with the Department of Defense's (DoD) Computer-Aided Acquisition and Logistics Support (CALS) Initiative, and is a Federal Information Processing Standard requirement for all new document systems purchases by U.S. government agencies.

In addition, DocuBuild supports numerous text, graphics and data formats, enabling organizations to fully integrate and use their existing software and hardware investments.

DocuBuild operates within the Xerox GlobalView networked desktop environment, noted for its icon-based, mouse-driven graphical user interface (GUI). It runs on personal computers equipped with Xerox GlobalView-for-the-PC, a co-processor board and software that turn personal computers (PCs) into multitasking, networked workstations. It also runs on Xerox 6085 workstations. A text editing version, called PC DocuBuild, is also available for standard PCs.

The introduction of DocuBuild is part of Xerox Corp.'s strategy to provide a broad spectrum of products and services to help organizations create, use and manage documents.

DocuBuild will begin shipping in the United States in the second quarter of 1991. Pricing starts at $2,500 per workstation and $495 per PC.

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Barbara Burke, 213/333-3613

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BEDMINSTER, NJ (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - NUI Corp. (NYSE:NUI) stated Tuesday that 25 employees of the New Jersey Division have elected to participate in a

special early retirement program, announced on July 2, 1990, under which they will begin retirement beginning Jan. 1, 1991.

NUI estimates that the present value of the future payroll costs for the participating employees is $2.7 million. The estimated costs to NUI to accrue the additional pension benefits provided under the program is approximately $1.1 million, before tax. These benefits have been recorded in full as of Sept. 30 and NUI will expense the related cost over three years commencing Jan. 1, 1991 in accordance with the expected rate-making treatment.

John Kean Jr., vice president, said, ''This program will help the company to reduce operating expenses and improve efficiencies while providing an attractive retirement opportunity for the participating employees.''

Under the program, employees who are part of the NUI pension plan and who were born prior to Jan. 1, 1932, were offered the opportunity to elect early retirement with special incentives during a specific election period which commenced July 1 and ended Oct. 1. The employees who have elected early retirement under the plan will receive certain special incentives including three years additional credited service.

Headquartered in Bedminster, NUI is engaged in the distribution of natural gas to approximately 300,000 customers in New Jersey and Florida.

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by
Kehoe, White Savage & Co. Inc., New York
John P. Kehoe, 212/888-1616

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LAS VEGAS (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - On Nov. 15, Southwest Airlines, America's eighth largest independent airline, will add new service from Las Vegas to Reno and to Ontario.

Southwest will offer six daily nonstop roundtrip flights to Reno and five daily nonstop roundtrip flights to Ontario on the newest pure jet fleet in the industry. Regular unrestricted coach fares will be $59 to Reno and to Ontario.

''These will be our highest fares and yet they are less than half the amount of other airlines,'' said John Denison, executive vice president of Southwest. Unrestricted coach fares on other airlines are $135 from Las Vegas to Reno and $130 to Ontario.

Southwest will also offer lower advance purchase ''Fun Fares'' on a restricted basis starting as low as $39 for a 21-day advance purchase fare to Reno and

just $29 to Ontario.

Not only is Southwest slashing fares by as much as 50 percent with the new service to Reno and Ontario, its ''$20 Take Along Fare'' which is already available on other Southwest flights leaving Las Vegas, will apply to flights to Reno and Ontario, also.

For just $20 one way, a regular fare Customer can ''take along'' a companion to any Southwest Airlines destination--no matter how far away--when both tickets are purchased with the American Express Card. Some restrictions apply, and the offer is good for travel through Dec. 19.

''Our streamlined operating procedures and dedicated employees allow Southwest Airlines to enjoy the lowest operating cost of any major airline in the country. We simply pass those cost savings on to our customers,'' Denison noted.

Southwest Airlines has become known as the ''price policeman,'' leading the airline industry in low fares while maintaining its service level at the top of nation's air carriers. Among its cost-saving measures are a quicker ticketing process, boarding passes on a first-come, first-served basis and no meal service.

Employees have also become known for wearing ''Fun'' uniforms and bringing humor to the flight experience--an extension of CEO Herb Kelleher's philosophy that work should be fun.

Flights to Reno will begin at 7:00 a.m. with the last return flight leaving Reno at 8:10 p.m. Flights to Ontario will begin at 7:00 a.m. with the last return flight leaving Ontario at 7:50 p.m. Weekend flights are also available.

In addition to the new Reno and Ontario service, Southwest will also be adding one new roundtrip flight daily between Las Vegas and San Diego, which brings to seven the number of roundtrips between those two cities. The carrier will also be adding a roundtrip flight between Las Vegas and Burbank, bringing to seven the number of roundtrips offered each day.

''Southwest is the only airline to be rated the monthly best in all three categories of service levels--on-time performance, customer complaints and baggage service, and we've won the coveted 'Triple Crown' four times,'' Denison concluded.

Southwest Airlines' advertising campaign for the new service uses the themeline ''Happy Days Are Here Again.'' Don Valentine, vice president sales and marketing for the airline, noted that ''this advertising delivers the message that low fares and lots of flights are back.''

He continues, ''We have a good solid schedule to offer our customers, but the

big kicker is that Southwest fares to Reno and Ontario are 50 percent off the current market prices. And these will be our regular fares, not some special introductory promotio.''

Southwest began serving Las Vegas on Jan. 31, 1982, offering 32 nonstop departures weekly. Since entering the Las Vegas market more than eight years ago, Southwest has carried almost 6.5 million Customers to and from Las Vegas.

With the new service, Southwest Airlines will serve a total of 33 airports in 31 cities and 14 states from California to Alabama and from the Canadian border to the Mexican border.

For reservations or information in Las Vegas, the phone number is 702/382-1221.

CONTACT: Southwest Airlines, Dallas
Melanie Jones, 214/904-4413

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BOCA RATON, FL (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - SK Technologies Corp. (NASDAQ:SKTC) announced Tuesday, subject to appropriate filings with the SEC, that the expiration date of the Company's Class B Purchase Warrant has been extended for a 90 day period, from Jan. 9, 1991 to April 9, 1991.

The Class B Warrant gives a warrantholder the right to buy one share of common stock for $2.50.

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or
Cameron Associates, New York
Susan Sherman, 212/683-4545

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CHICAGO (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - In view of the unusual activity in the stock of Bally Manufacturing Corp. (NYSE:BLY), the New York Stock Exchange has contacted the company and requested that the company issue a public statement indicating whether there are any recent corporate developments which may explain the unusual activity.

Pursuant to its standard policy, the company does not comment on the day-to-day activity of its common stock.

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ONTARIO, CA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - On Oct. 28, Southwest Airlines, America's 8th largest independent airline, will add new nonstop service from Ontario to Las Vegas and, on Nov. 15, one-stop service to Reno.

Southwest will offer five daily nonstop roundtrip flights to Las Vegas on the newest pure jet fleet in the industry. Regular unrestricted coach fares will be $59 to Las Vegas.

Not only is Southwest slashing fares by as much as 50 percent with the new service to Las Vegas, its ''$20 Take Along Fare,'' which is already available on other Southwest flights leaving Ontario, will apply to flights to Las Vegas.

For just $20 one way, a regular fare Customer can ''take along'' a companion to any Southwest Airlines destination--no matter how far away--when both tickets are purchased with the American Express Card. Some restrictions apply and the offer is good for travel through Dec. 19, 1990.

Southwest Airlines has become known as the ''price policeman,'' leading the airline industry in low fares while maintaining its service level at the top of the nation's air carriers. Among its cost-saving measures are a quicker ticketing process, boarding passes on a first-come, first-served basis and no meal service.

Employees have also become known for wearing ''Fun'' uniforms and bringing humor to the flight experience--an extension of CEO Herb Kelleher's philosophy that work should be fun.

Flights to Las Vegas will begin at 8:05 a.m. with the last return flight leaving Las Vegas at 6:40 p.m. Weekend flights are also available.

Southwest will also be adding three new roundtrips daily between Ontario and Oakland, which brings to nine the number of daily roundtrips available between these two cities.

Southwest Airlines' advertising campaign for the new service uses the themeline ''Happy Days Are Here Again.'' Don Valentine, vice president-sales and marketing for the airline, noted that ''this advertising delivers the message that low fares and lots of flights are back.''

With the new service, Southwest Airlines will serve a total of 33 airports in 31 cities and 14 states from California to Alabama and from the Canadian border to the Mexican border.

For reservations or information in Ontario, the phone number is 714/981-1221.

CONTACT: Southwest Airlines, Dallas
Melanie Jones, 214/904-4413.

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TINTON FALLS, NJ (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - October 2, 1990--Concurrent Computer Corporation today announced that it has not made the September 1990 principal and interest payments due on its senior bank debt.

Concurrent indicated it is having on-going discussions with the bank group regarding the interim period until repayment terms can be established, based on the company's expected new business plan.

Commenting on today's announcement, Denis R. Brown, Concurrent's new president and CEO said, ''The bank group, as well as our bondholders, recognizes the need to modify the company's capital structure to allow the company the flexibility to grow in the computer industry. The company is preparing a business plan that will clearly address current financial issues, market and technology development, and organizational changes required to better address the business on a long-term basis. We expect to complete that plan during this quarter. In the meantime, the company is preserving needed liquidity to continue to meet obligations to customers, suppliers and employees.'''

Concurrent Computer Corporation is the leading supplier of high performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through its Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems Groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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201/758-7576.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Group Inc. (NYSE: AIG) announced Tuesday that two of its member companies, AIU Insurance Co. and American Home Assurance Co. have been granted licenses from the Japanese Ministry of Finance to sell directors and officers insurance in Japan.

This insurance coverage will be available to Japanese companies immediately.

Directors and officers insurance, of which AIG is the leading underwriter in the United States, protects directors and officers of a company against legal actions taken against them by shareholders, creditors, employees or others as a result of negligent acts or omissions or misleading statements. AIG companies have been providing directors and officers coverage in the United States for 25 years.

Commenting on the new Japanese license, Jeffrey W. Greenberg, executive vice president of American Home Assurance Co., said, ''This coverage provides the global protection so necessary today for Japanese corporations expanding in the world marketplace. Now that D&O insurance has been licensed in Japan, all Japanese companies, regardless of size or the scope of their operations, will be able to protect the personal assets of their directors and officers from the enormous cost of defending lawsuits and of paying settlements or judgments brought against them in their official capacities in any jurisdiction.''

Greenberg continued, ''Although Japan is not known as a litigious society, the expanding international presence of Japanese companies exposes their directors and officers to the same risks faced by officials of U.S. headquartered and other multi-national companies.

Greenberg is also president of National Union Fire Insurance Co. of Pittsburgh Pa., the AIG company underwriting this coverage in the United States and many foreign countries.

AIG is the leading international insurance organization and the largest underwriter of commercial and industrial insurance in the United States. Its member companies write property, casualty, marine, life and financial services insurance in more than 130 countries and jurisdictions, and are also engaged in a range of other financial services. AIG's common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, as well as the stock exchanges in Paris, London and Tokyo.

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Michael H. Forman, 212/770-3144.

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OAK BROOK, IL (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - McDonald's Corporation listed its common stock on the stock exchanges in Zurich, Geneva, and Basel, Switzerland today. The closing price was 36 Swiss Francs (approximately US$28).

McDonald's stock is also traded on the New York, Midwest and Pacific Stock Exchanges in the U.S., and those in Toronto, Canada; Paris, France; Frankfurt and Munich, Germany; and Tokyo, Japan.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Michael R. Quinlan said, ''The McDonald's System has many dimensions that make us a worldwide business leader with nearly 3,000 restaurants in 51 countries outside of the U.S. We are a marketing company which owns one of the ten most powerful brands in the world. We are a real estate company which owns 60 percent of our restaurant sites providing us a competitive edge and an ability to control occupancy costs. McDonald's is a franchising system; about 75 percent of our restaurant businesses are locally owned and operated by independent entrepreneurs. Most importantly, we are an operations company whose focus is providing customers with the highest levels of Quality, Service, Cleanliness and Value everyday, in every McDonald's around the world.''

Jack M. Greenberg, Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of McDonald's Corporation, commented, ''This is an important step in our strategy to broaden McDonald's shareholder base. Now that McDonald's is traded on 11 exchanges around the world, customers can think of us not only as their favorite and most convenient restaurant, but also as a more accessible investment opportunity. McDonald's stock has yielded a 21 percent total compound annual return to shareholders over the past ten years. This compares favorably with the 16 percent return of the Dow Jones Industrial Average, and the 15 percent return of the Standard & Poor's 500 for this same period.''

According to a survey conducted by the National Association of Investors Corporation, in 1990 McDonald's stock ranked as the most popular and widely held stock among investment clubs.

McDonald's is the world's leading foodservice organization, with more than 11,300 restaurants in 52 countries, including 16 in Switzerland. McDonald's is one of the 30 companies which comprise the Dow Jones Industrial Average.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - NYNEX Corporation announced Tuesday that its New England Telephone and New York Telephone subsidiaries have merged NYNEX Materiel Enterprises Company (MECO) and NYNEX Service Company (NSC) to form a new unit, Telesector Resources Group, Inc., which will provide centralized planning, marketing, purchasing and other services to NYNEX's two telephone companies.

NYNEX transferred ownership of MECO to New England Telephone and New York Telephone in March. NYNEX Service Company has been owned by the two telephone companies since 1985.

''NYNEX is creating a strong and clearly defined Telecommunications Sector, giving our telephone companies control over the key resources necessary to operate efficiently and effectively,'' said NYNEX Chairman and CEO William C. Ferguson.

''We are painting bright lines around our regulated businesses,'' Ferguson added. ''As we move forward, there should be no confusion on the part of NYNEX and its employees, nor on the part of the public and our regulators, that we will maintain clear distinctions between the two sectors of our corporation, and clearly defined rules governing interaction between them.''

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WAYNE, PA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Soft-Switch Inc., Tuesday announced that Stephen M. Layne, founder and former co-chairman of the X.400 API Association, has been named to the position of Vice President of Business Development.

Formerly with US Sprint, Layne will be coordinating the formation of worldwide strategic business relationships for Soft-Switch.

According to Layne, ''Electronic mail has moved beyond a basic office automation technology which allowed for improved person-to-person communications. It is now the enabling technology for application-to-application communication between dissimilar computer systems. Soft-Switch, as the recognized leader in standards-based enterprise mail networking, is delivering these solutions today through a growing family of products and services.''

In addition to establishing the X.400 API, Layne has participated actively in the creation and wide acceptance of global electronic mail standards.

Soft-Switch Inc. provides standards-based connectivity, electronic mail network management and mail-enabled applications that add value to customers' expanding electronic mail networks.

A privately held corporation, it is the acknowledged leader in supplying high-performance, open-architecture enterprise mail networks to large corporations. The company also licenses its technology to major office systems vendors and public electronic mail system vendors.

In addition to its Wayne, headquarters, Soft Switch has regional headquartes in Chicago, Los Angeles and Washington. The company also markets its products internationally through distributors from its European headquarters in

Amsterdam.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - John Hoyt Stookey, Chairman, Quantum Chemical Corporation, Tuesday announced the election of Dennis J. Spina to the position of President, Suburban Propane/Petrolane and Vice President, Quantum Chemical Corporation effective September 1, 1990.

Spina, formerly Vice President - Eastern Region and a corporate officer of Federal Express Corporation, has had significant responsibility over the company's expansion during the 1980s.

He joined the company in 1973 as a courier, advancing to Station Manager in various locations before being named Managing Director of the New York/ New Jersey Metro District in 1978. In 1980, he was promoted to Vice President of the Eastern Region, which today has over 12,000 employees.

He played a major role in the integration of the Flying Tigers acquisition into Federal Express.

The recipient of a B. A. degree from Temple University, Spina has completed the Financial Management Program at Harvard University. Spina and his family are residents of Califon, New Jersey.

Mark J. Anton will continue in a consulting capacity as Vice Chairman of Suburban Propane.

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or Arden D. Melick, 212/551-0438 (analyst contact).

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CHARLOTTE, N.C.(OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Southeastern Savings Bank announced that its agreement to be acquired by Southern Financial Holdings Inc. of Atlanta has been terminated by mutual agreement.

Also terminated was a complementary Agreement For Services between parties. Southern Financial's Investment Banker has advised that the current state of

the capital markets would make it impossible for Southern Financial to procure the required financing at this time.

Frank R. Thies Jr., president of Southeastern and chairman of its executive committee said, ''Southeastern will immediately resume its searches for a chief operating officer and a chief financial officer, searches which were placed in abeyance when the Agreement For Services with Southern Financial was executed earlier this year.''

Thies continued, ''Southern Financial will doubtless continue its efforts to secure capital, albeit in the absence of any formal agreements between the parties.''

Southeastern Savings Bank Inc. is a stockholder-owned, federally insured financial institution with 23 branches in 21 North Carolina communities.

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  Frank R. Thies Jr., 704/379-1891

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WAYNE, PA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Soft-Switch Inc., Tuesday announced the availability of a new release of its X.400 Gateway Model-10 and Model-20 to include support for intra-enterprise communication via Ethernet.

Soft-Switch X.400 Gateways can now communicate with other X.400 systems over IEEE 802.3 Ethernet for internal connections. This option is in addition to existing support over X.25 for external connections.

''Now that Soft-Switch's X.400 Gateway supports communications over Ethernet, we can begin working towards intra-enterprise communication via X.400 and taking advantage of our existing Ethernet infrastructure,'' said Steve Mahaney vice president and manager of Global Electronic Messaging Services for Chase Manhattan Bank. ''Further, having the new ability to connect multiple X.400 systems via Ethernet to a single Soft-Switch X.400 Gateway allows us to provide secure and cost-effective communications to multiple public mail carriers over a single X.25 line,'' continued Mahaney.

Soft-Switch's support for X.400 over Ethernet in addition to the recently announced Open Addressing Service enhances customers' capabilities to communicate efficiently using open protocols. ''The initial thrust of the X.400 standard was toward inter-enterprise and long-haul communications, and the sales to date of our X.400 Gateway have reflected that emphasis,'' said Dave Foster, vice president of marketing for Soft-Switch. ''We are now seeing increased interest in X.400 for intra-enterprise use and for use in LAN environments. The enhancements to our X.400 Gateway will position us solidly in these areas.''

Intra-enterprise communication via X.400 will be released initially for connections to DEC's X.400 gateway - MR/X. Additionally, the existing Soft-Switch Directory Synchronization product is being enhanced to use X.400 as the e-mail transport for synchronization between DEC's Distributed Directory Service (DDS) and the Soft-Switch Central Names Directory. ''Increasingly, effective e-mail solutions will need to address administrative issues such as directory synchronization, in addition to basic connectivity,'' commented Foster. In the future other vendors' X.400-compliant systems will be certified to interoperate with Soft-Switch X.400 Gateways over Ethernet.

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WALTHAM, MA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Eric Bissell has been elected a director of The Reece Corp. (NYSE: RCE), a manufacturer and distributor of specialized apparel machinery for the worldwide clothing industry.

Bissell, 57, is president and chief executive officer of International Mercantile Factors Ltd., Montreal, Canada. Bissell is also a director of Lawrie International Ltd., which owns 51.4 percent of Reece common shares; Charter Industries Inc.; Lawrie (Bermuda) Ltd.; Charter Capital Corp.; International Factors Corp.; and Rieris Holdings Ltd.

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Maureen Wolff, 617/482-0400

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#90275b0876 10/02/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Quantum Chemical Corp. announced Tuesday that Frank J. Ryan has been elected to the board of directors.

Ryan, 59, retired in March, 1990, as president and chief operating officer of Air Products and Chemicals, a Fortune ''200'' company headquartered in Allentown, Pa. His career with Air Products spanned 33 years.

Ryan holds a BS in Chemical Engineering from Villanova University and an MBA from Lehigh University. He is also a graduate of Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program.

A resident of Allentown, he serves on the board of directors of the Allentown Hospital/Lehigh Valley Hospital Center.

CONTACT: Quantum Chemical Corp., New York
Joseph F. Pilaro, 212/551-0552 (analyst contact)
or Arden D. Melick, 212/551-0438 (analyst contact)

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#90275b0877 10/02/1990 ~Business Wire

LA BELLE, FL (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Alico Inc. (OTC: ALCO) at its meeting Tuesday, declared a year-end dividend of 15 cents per share payable on Nov. 16 to shareholders of record on Oct. 26.

CONTACT: Alico Inc., La Belle
W. Bernard Lester, 813/675-2966

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#90275b0887 10/02/1990 ~Business Wire

NORWOOD, MA (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Technologies and Traveling Software announced Tuesday that they have signed an exclusive joint development and licensing agreement for Battery Watch, Traveling Software's battery monitoring and maintenance software for PC laptops.

Phoenix currently makes its BIOS (Basic Input/Output system) available to PC manfacturers, so the additional integration of Battery Watch will be a natural

addition to its current package offered to its OEM client base. Phoenix will offer Battery Watch to PC manufacturers as either a stand-alone product or as a component in a bundled package of systems software, utilities, and services for laptop design and development. Traveling Software will also have the option of incorporating any Phoenix Battery Watch enhancements into its retail Battery Watch product.

The BIOS, a necessary component in every computer, makes it possible for software applications to communicate with hardware. Because BIOS is customized to a particular computer model, Phoenix must have a complete understanding of each computer's hardware configuration. This is similar to the process by which Battery Watch is customized to work with individual laptop computer models.

As portable, battery-powered PCs proliferate, manufacturers are embracing power management software as a new key feature for end users. Battery Watch is a valuable systems software utility for battery operated laptops/notebooks/handhelds that monitors and maintains system power usage. It not only monitors power levels, in hours and minutes, and warns users when power is running low, but it can also deep discharge nickel cadium (NiCad) batteries and allow them to renew their charge to nearly full working capacity.

Phoenix Technologies Ltd. designs, develops and markets systems software products for personal computers, laser printers and workstations. Its products allow OEMs to offer their customers computers and printers that are compatible with industry standards. More than 300 of the major personal computer and peripherals manufacturers rely on Phoenix for its system-level software and hardware compatiblity expertise.

Traveling Software, founded in 1982, designs and develops practical connectivity products that link information, computers and computing environments, including laptops, PCs and compatibles, and Apple Macintoshes. Its product line includes LapLink, LapLink Mac, DeskLink, and Battery Watch. The company's hand-held division also produces link products for handheld organizers such as the Casio B.O.S.S. and the Sharp Wizard as well as the new generation of coatpocket PCs. The company is privately held.

CONTACT: Phoenix Technologies, Norwood
Michael Deutsch, 617/551-4184

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#90275b0890 10/02/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - KB Communications Inc. announced Tuesday that based on a preliminary study of the books and records of KB, the local accounting firm recently retained by KB advised that the number of shares of issued and outstanding common stock of KB may have been understated in KB's financial statements since 1988.

The accounting firm recommended that a review of the previously issued financial statements of KB in 1988 and 1989 be undertaken. In response, KB has engaged its accountants to conduct such a review and KB management states that they will take all steps necessary to insure that KB's financial statements are accurate and are restated to the extent required.

CONTACT: KB Communications Inc., New York
Lawrence R. Vayda, 212/605-0298

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#90275c0002 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:39 that trade in Apple Bancorp (NASDAQ: APK) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

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#90275c0004 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 28:

Nova Capital Inc.

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#90275c0005 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 1:

Classified Financial Corp. (CLSS); Acquired by Rathbone, King & Seeley Inc.
Heritage Financial Corp. (HFHC); Insufficient number of active market makers
JMB Realty Trust SBI (JMBRS); Company request - pursuant to plan of liquidation

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Sept. 28:

Community Health Systems Inc. (CHSI); Issue postponed - security never quoted

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#90275c0006 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 1:

National Security Insurance Co. (NSIC) to National Security Group Inc. (nsec)

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#90275c0007 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:52 that trade in Top Source Inc.(NASDAQ: TOPS) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 7/16, 17/32. The company is located in Palm Beach Gardens, FL.

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#90275c0009 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Apple Bancorp has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange ticker symbol APK. Trading was resumed at 9:59.

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#90275c0010 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:10 that trade in Freeport McMoran Energy has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol FMP.

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#90275c0011 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in UAL Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol UAL. Trading was resumed at 10:14.

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#90275c0013 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Television Technology Corp.(TICKER: TVTK) lost $747,000, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $8.0 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $574,000, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $10.42 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90275c0014 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows Mirtronics Inc.(TICKER: MNTCF) dismissed its former auditor, KPMG Peat Marwick Thorne, on Sept. 19, 1990, and engaged Starkman, Kraft, Rothman, Berger & Grill as the company's principal auditors.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified

as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90275c0015 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows S.O.I. Industries Inc.(TICKER: LAMP) earned $347,602, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $8.03 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $277,413, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $6.20 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90275c0016 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Chemical Leaman Corp.(TICKER: CLEA), effective Sept. 19, 1990, dismissed its principal accountant, KPMG Peat Marwick, and engaged the firm of Arthur Andersen & Co. as its new independent auditor.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90275c0017 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 22, 1990, David L. Martindale, a member of Volunteer Bancshares's (TICKER: VOLB) board of directors, died.

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#90275c0018 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Madison Financial Corp., after incurring delays in SEC approval and other delays in its proposed merger with River Forest Bancorp Inc., accepted a proposal by River Forest to reduce the purchase price per share of its stock from $8.35 per share, with a minimum of $8.15, to $7.35 per share, with a minimum purchase price of $7.15.

The agreement was executed on Sept. 18, 1990, as the third amendment to the purchase agreement.

The amendment also extends the date of purchase from Sept. 30, 1990 to Dec. 28 1990.

The total purchase price will be between $14-$15 million.

As of June 30, 1990, total assets and equity of Madison Financial were approximately $184.90 million and $8.93 million, respectively.

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#90275c0019 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows OIS Optical Imaging Systems (TICKER: OVON) lost $4.66 million, or $0.33 per share, on revenues of $6.52 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $2.19 million, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $3.67 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90275c0028 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Aceto Corp.(TICKER: ACET) earned $5.0 million, or $1.19 per share, on revenues of $121.59 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $4.90 million, or $1.17 per share, on revenues of $112.49 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90275c0029 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows U.S. Recycling Industries lost $2.44 million on revenues of $100.15 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $964,000 on revenues of $129.29 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90275c0030 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows International Basic Resources Inc.(TICKER: IVRM) lost $246,217, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $104,719 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $38,446, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $88,743 for fiscal 1989.

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#90275c0031 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pathe

Computer Control Systems Corp.(TICKER: QILT) lost $192,306, or $0.13 per share on revenues of $697,773 for the nine months ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $253,357, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $1.10 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90275c0032 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:34 that trade in Continental Bank (NASDAQ: CBK) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on NYSE.

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#90275c0033 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Continental Bank has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CBK. Trading was resumed at 12:25.

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#90275c0034 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Freeport-McMoran Energy LP has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol FMP. Trading was resumed at 12:41.

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#90275c0036 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 12, 1990, Kar Ventures Inc. acquired all of the issued and outstanding stock of Clarion House Inc.

In exchange, Kar Ventures issued 8,996,000 shares of its common stock to the shareholders of Clarion.

Such shares represent approximately 80 percent of the outstanding shares of Kar Ventures.

Pursuant to the agreement, Wallis W. Wood was elected president of Kar Ventures and Ruth C. Wood was named vice president and secretary/treasurer.

Clarion House is engaged as a development stage company in the publishing business.

Kar Ventures intends to continue the business of Clarion House.

The executive office of Kar Ventures is located at Suite 100, 1350 Center Drive, Dunwoody, Georgia 30338.

Its telephone number is (404) 668-0432.

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#90275c0037 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 25, 1990, The Furia Organization Inc. appointed Benard J. Fried as its principal independent accountant, replacing the firm of Grant Thornton.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

Grant Thornton's reports on the financial statements for the past two years expressed substantial doubt about Furia's ability to continue as a going concern, due to its net capital deficiency for the fiscal years ended June 30, 1989 and 1988, and also certain recurring losses for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1988.

Furia's executive office is located at 170 Broadway, New York, NY 10038 and its telephone number is (212) 267-5800.

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#90275c0038 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 14, 1990, Mutual Venture Corp. issued 3 million shares of its common stock to two shareholders of Sportswear Corp. in an exchange transaction in which Sportswear became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mutual Venture.

The two shareholders of Sportswear, Daniel Nasshorn and Irving Schneider, received 2.7 million and 300,000 shares, respectively, of Mutual Venture's common stock in exchange for their shares of Sportswear.

In addition to the above, in a related transaction, Daniel Nasshorn, Irving Schneider and certain other persons purchased an aggregate of 3.25 million shares of Mutual Venture's common stock from Martin Rifkin for a total of $4,000 paid in cash.

After giving full effect to the above transactions, there are 7.55 million shares of Mutual Venture common stock outstanding with Martin Rifkin owning of record 750,000 shares or 9.9 percent.

Following the above transactions, all three directors of Mutual Venture

resigned and two new directors were elected.

Mutual Venture's new board of directors consists of Daniel Nasshorn and Irving Schneider.

Daniel Nasshorn is also president and chairman of the board of Mutual Venture and Irving Schneider is secretary and treasurer.

The executive office of Mutual Venture is located at 523 Commack Road, Deer Park, NY 11729 and its telephone number is (516) 254-6666.

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#90275c0039 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 13, 1990, Chronar Corp.(TICKER: CRNR) concluded a transaction for the transfer of its technology rights for its second generation photovoltaic thin film process and panel production line to Energetics Jungere Corp.

Energetics is a subsidiary of the Sheet Metal Workers' National Pension Fund.

In exchange for the rights, Chronar received $4 million and a 5 percent equity interest in Energetics.

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#90275c0040 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 24, 1990, Two Pesos Inc.(TICKER: TWP) appointed Coopers & Lybrand as its independent accountants, replacing Ernst & Young.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

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#90275c0041 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on June 29, 1990, Pierce International Inc.(TICKER: PRCI) appointed the accounting firm of Doran W. Peck, CPA as its independent accountants, replacing Hein & Associates.

Hein & Associates' reports on the financial statements of Pierce for the years

ended June 30, 1989 and 1988 contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion or qualification.

Their report, however, indicated the company's ability to continue in existence was dependent upon their obtaining additional equity capital and/or long-term debt and ultimately attaining and maintaining profitable operations.

The executive offfice of Pierce is located at 9250 East Costilla Ave., Suite 650, Englewood, Colorado 80112 and its telephone number is (303) 792-0719.

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#90275c0042 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Bounty Group Inc.(TICKER: BNTY) lost $6,983, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $766,368 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $104,487, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $920,681 for fiscal 1989.

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#90275c0044 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Tyrex Oil Co.(TICKER: TYRX) lost $244,931, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.45 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $242,746, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.25 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90275c0045 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows General Metal & Abrasives Co.(TICKER: GMET) earned $160,907, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $2.12 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $87,466, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $2.06 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90275c0046 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Scientific Industries Inc.(TICKER: SCND) lost $51,000, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $2.14 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $23,100 (including an extraordinary gain of

$3,700), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $2.36 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90275c0047 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Infinite Graphics Inc.(TICKER: INFG) lost $439,715, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $1.01 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $253,284, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $1.75 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90275c0048 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Medicis Pharmaceutical Corp.(TICKER: MDRX) lost $2.85 million, or $0.13 per share, on interest income of $102,820 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $1.91 million, or $0.14 per share, on interest income of $1,216 for fiscal 1989.

The company reports it is in the development stage and as of June 30, 1990, had not marketed or sold any products or technologies.

As a result, it had no revenues from operations.

The company's executive offices are located at 100 East 42nd Street, New York, NY 10017, and its telephone number is (212) 599-2000.

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#90275c0049 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Cutco Industries Inc.(TICKER: CUTC) earned $147,354, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $15.84 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net profits of $786,435, or $0.70 per share, on revenues of $13.06 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90275c0050 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Farmer Bros. Co.(TICKER: FARM) earned $19.81 million, or $10.28 per share, on revenues of $197.77 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $14.55 million, or $7.55 per share, on

revenues of $198.71 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90275c0052 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows LSI Industries (TICKER: LYTS) earned $1.36 million, or $0.29 per share, in fiscal 1990.

This compares with earnings of $3.91 million, or $0.85 per share, in fiscal 1989.

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#90275c0053 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

BGC SPECIAL EQUITY LP OWNS 55,059 CLASS A SHARES (3.80%) OF KENTUCKY MEDICAL INSURANCE CO (TICKER: KYMD) OF LOUISVILLE, KY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 23 to Sept. 10, 1990, BGC Special Equity LP purchased 99,300 shares at a price of $16.88 to $20 per share; from Sept. 6, 1990 to Sept. 18, 1990, sold 203,003 shares for $8.50 to $16.50 per share; and from July 20 to Aug. 31 1990, received 108,571 shares as capital contributions from limited partners.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90275c0054 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE TREASURER STATE OF MICHIGAN OF LANSING, MICHIGAN OWNS 1,499,400 SHARES (5.27%) OF YELLOW FREIGHT SYSTEM INC (TICKER: YELL) OF SHAWNEE MISSION, KS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90275c0055 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

E.H. SHEA JR OWNS 231,550 SHARES (6.95%) OF MOUNTAIN MEDICAL EQUIPMENT INC (TICKER: MTN) OF DENVER, CO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

E.H. Shea Jr. purchased 42,150 shares from Aug. 31 to Sept. 28, 1990 for $3.58 to $4.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90275c0056 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 22

LOUART CORPORATION OF LOS ANGELES, CA OWNS 1,125,200 SHARES (35.97%) OF CERTRON CORP (TICKER: CRTN) OF ANAHEIM, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Certain persons associated with Louar Corp. purchased 70,000 shares on Sept. 26, 1990 for $.89 per share. Also, on Aug. 2, 1990, 30,000 shares were purchased by Louart Corp. at a price of $.88 to $.94 per share.

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#90275c0057 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

C.H. HOWARD OWNS 1,933,903 SHARES (30.00%) OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC

(TICKER: CARN) OF IRVING, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

From Sept. 13-26, 1990, three broker-dealers sold, as pledgees, 41,300 shares following margin calls on C.H. Howard for $7.23 to $9 per share. From Sept. 14-24, 1990, C.H. Howard sold 13,500 shares to cover margin calls for $8.50 to $8.75 per share. Also, from Sept. 13 through 18, 1990, Mr. Howard sold 22,000 shares of common stock to repay indebtedness of a bank loan at prices of $8.50 to $9 per share.

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#90275c0058 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY M.I. GLAZER OF ROCHESTER, NY OWNS 1,253,800 SHARES (8.60%) OF TONKA CORP (TICKER: TKA) OF MINNETONKA, MN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M.I. Glazer may try to gain control of the company or to obtain representation on the board.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

M.I. Glazer purchased 1,253,800 shares from Aug. 7 to Sept. 27, 1990 for $4.25 to $5.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90275c0060 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 1,592,500 SHARES (7.60%) OF SCI SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: SCIS) OF HUNTSVILLE, AL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to show an increase in the number of shares held by

State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

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#90275c0061 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 795,300 SHARES (6.20%) OF INTL MULTIFOODS CORP (TICKER: IMC) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to show a decrease in the number of shares held by State of Wisconsin Investment Board. s

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#90275c0062 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

D.J. TERRA OF NORTHBROOK, IL OWNS 3,435,488 SHARES (26.84%) OF MERCURY FINANCE CO (TICKER: MFN) OF NORTHBROOK, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between May 4, 1989 and Aug. 25, 1989 D.J. Terra sold 129,875 shares at $22.13 to $25 per share.

PURPOSE:

To decrease equity holding in Mercury Finance Co.

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#90275c0063 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GENERAL EQUITIES INC OWNS 118,000 SHARES (3.77%) OF BSB BANCORP INC (TICKER: BSBN) OF BINGHAMTON, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

General Equities Inc. ceased to be the beneficial owners of more than 5 percent of BSB Bancorp Inc. on Sept. 19, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 18 and 19, 1990 General Equities Inc. sold 80,000 shares at $11.63 to $12 per share.

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#90275c0064 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 2,037,900 SHARES (64.91%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATANOOGA, TN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 21 and Sept. 27, 1990 Walsh Greenwood & Co. purchased 151,500 class A shares at $8.88 to $9.13 per share. On Sept. 27, 1990 Walsh Greenwood & Co. purchased 1,700 preferred shares at $36 to $36.25 per share.

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#90275c0065 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 43,850 SHARES (27.72%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATANOOGA, TN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 21 and Sept. 27, 1990 Walsh Greenwood & Co. purchased 151,500 class A shares at $8.88 to $9.13 per share. On Sept. 27, 1990 Walsh Greenwood & Co. purchased 1,700 preferred shares at $36 to $36.25 per share.

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#90275c0066 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 588,900 SHARES (76.39%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATANOOGA, TN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 21 and Sept. 27, 1990 Walsh Greenwood & Co. purchased 151,500 class A shares at $8.88 to $9.13 per share. On Sept. 27, 1990 Walsh Greenwood & Co. purchased 1,700 preferred shares at $36 to $36.25 per share.

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#90275c0068 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

DENITEX INTERNATIONAL CORP OWNS 747,044 SHARES (9.19%) OF KLEER-VU INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: KVU) OF BROWNSVILLE, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 30, 1990 the registrant gave 2,337,064 shares of Kleer-Vu Industries Inc. to Elk International Corp. in exchange for real estate. No cash consideration was involved in the transaction.

PURPOSE:

Pay company debt.

-30- 572
#90275c0069 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 42

GROUP LED BY HERITAGE MEDIA CORP OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 3,159,625 SHARES (80.30%) OF POP RADIO CORP (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 18, 1990, Heritage Media Corp. purchased 446,041 shares for $12 to $18.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases to increase direct investment and to retain a majority equity and voting interest in Pop Radio Corp.

-30- 581
#90275c0070 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY VALUE EQUITY ASSOC I LP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 831,100 SHARES (13.40%) OF XTRA CORP (TICKER: XTR) OF WILMINGTON, DE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Value Equity Assoc. I LP sold 51,500 series B convertible preferred shares on Sept. 11, 1990.

-30- 451
#90275c0071 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

JWP announced on Oct. 1, 1990 that it had obtained the consents from Compumat Inc.'s (TICKER: CPT) computer vendors required as a condition to the offer and that the HSR waiting period has expired.

-30- 403
#90275c0073 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GOLDMAN SACHS & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 18,589,768 SHARES (70.00%) OF PHOENIX RESOURCE COS INC (TICKER: PHN) OF OKLAHOMA CITY, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 24, 1990, Peter G. Sachs and Sanjeev K. Mehra were elected to the board of the company to serve until the next annual meeting. Goldman, Sachs has received $29,545,360 in senior notes in exchange for debt securities that it held.

-30- 611
#90275c0074 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

W. WRIGLEY OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 4,149,913 SHARES (42.60%) OF WM WRIGLEY JR CO (TICKER: WWY) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 28, 1990, W. Wrigley received 193,346 class B shares from the Offield Family Foundation in exchange for a like number of common shares.

PURPOSE:

To provide continuing ownership of the class B shares by the Wrigley family while providing the Foundation with flexibility to consider future sales of all or part of its shares.

-30- 668
#90275c0075 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY PORTLAND GENERAL CORP OWNS 1,333,333 SHARES (9.40%) OF BONNEVILLE PACIFIC CORP (TICKER: BPCO) OF SALT LAKE CITY, UT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a purchase agreement dated as of Sept. 20, 1990, Portland General Corp. purchased a convertible promissory note for $10 million that is convertible into common stock at $7.50 per share. The agreement also provides for the purchase of 3,333,333 common shares by the purchaser from the company for $20 million. Pursuant to an agreement dated Sept. 25, 1990, Portland General Corp. purchased for $4 million, warrants to purchase 4 million shares from a group of warrantholders. The purchase agreement provides for the election of three directors nominated by Portland General Corp. to the board

of Bonneville Pacific Corp.

PURPOSE:

To establish a significant equity position in Bonneville Pacific Corp. and participate in the business, operations and management of the company through representation on its board of directors.

-30- 1222
#90275c0077 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY ITM ACQUISITION CORP OWNS 13,250,000 SHARES (44.50%) OF MACK TRUCKS INC (TICKER: MACK) OF ALLENTOWN, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Renault announced on Oct. 1, 1990 that the offer had expired on Sept. 28, 1990 and that 14,432,091 shares had been tendered, giving Renault a total of 93.1 percent of the outstanding shares of Mack.

-30- 542
#90275c0078 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

W. WRIGLEY OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 11,977,284 SHARES (35.50%) OF WM WRIGLEY JR CO (TICKER: WWY) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 28, 1990, W. Wrigley received 193,346 class B shares from the Offield Family Foundation in exchange for a like number of common shares. W. Wrigley also acquired 523 shares through a dividend reinvestment plan and the special investment and saving plan for Wrigley employees.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 645
#90275c0079 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

AZIMUTH CAPITAL CORP OWNS 2,002,000 SHARES (33.10%) OF CLARK MELVIN SECURITIES CORP (TICKER: CLML) OF ANNAPOLIS, MD.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a stock purchase agreement dated Aug. 27, 1990, Azimuth Capital Corp. agreed to exchange all its common stock for 18 million shares of Clark Melvin Securities Corp. It was determined that Azimuth Capital Corp. purchase 2 million shares prior to the exchange for $329,000. After the consummation of the agreement, the shareholders of Azimuth will hold 80 percent of Clark Melvin Securities Corp.'s common stock. Six of the current Azimuth directors will become members of the board of Clark Melvin Securities Corp.

PURPOSE:

Stock exchange agreement.

-30- 931
#90275c0080 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GUARDIAN INDUSTRIES CORP OF NORTHVILLE, MI OWNS 872,700 SHARES (6.40%) OF APOGEE ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: APOG) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN.

LATEST TRANSACTION: Guardian Ind. Corp. purchased 410,800 shares from Aug. 3 to Sept. 1, 1990 for $14.31 to $17.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 498
#90275c0081 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

B. MANTEL OWNS 1,039,700 SHARES (16.98%) OF LODGISTIX INC (TICKER: LDGX) OF

WICHITA, KS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In the letter agreement, Mr. Mantel agreed with members of the Cardinal Group that he would not agree or commit, orally or in writing, to vote the 1,000,000 shares of Lodgistix common stock acquired in the private transaction prior to Oct. 15, 1990; provided, however, that he is permitted to vote such shares at a duly convened meeting of the shareholders of Lodgistix occurring prior to such date.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 27, 1990, pursuant to a letter agreement, B. Mantel acquired 1,000,000 shares of Lodgistix common stock from members of the Cardinal Group at a price of $0.45 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 952
#90275c0082 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.W. HOFFMAN TRUSTEE OWNS 1,090,820 SHARES (15.38%) OF U T INC OF PALM BEACH GARDENS, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 19, 1990, CreaTech Corp., merged with and into U.T. Medical Manufacturing Inc. pursuant to a plan and agreement of merger and each share of common stock of CreaTech was converted into six shares of U.T. common stock and an option to purchase up to three shares of U.T. common stock at $1 per share over a four-year period. The U.T. options are immediately exercisable. Also, pursuant to the merger agreement, as of the effective date, each holder of certain CreaTech options to purchase CreaTech stock received additional U.T. options to purchase up to eighteen shares of U.T. common stock at $1 per share over a four-year period, also immediately exercisable.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 19, 1990, pursuant to the merger agreement, Mr. Hoffman's, as Trustee, 81,200 shares of CreaTech stock and CreaTech options to purchase 20,000 shares of CreaTech stock were converted into 487,200 shares of U.T. common stock and

U.T. options to purchase up to 360,000 shares of U.T. common stock. In connection with a loan guarantee by Mr. Hoffman for the benefit of U.T., Mr. Hoffman, as trustee, received additional U.T. options to purchase up to 243,620 shares of U.T. common stock.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1555
#90275c0083 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY CAMELLIA INVESTMENTS PLC OWNS 340,000 SHARES (9.70%) OF WARREN BANCORP INC (TICKER: WRNB) OF PEABODY, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 19, 1990, WDG purchased 60,000 shares of Warren common stock from DLI at a price of U.S. $3.96 per share.

-30- 470
#90275c0085 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY VALUE EQUITY ASSOC I LP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,180,700 SHARES (16.60%) OF DEVON GROUP (TICKER: DEVN) OF STAMFORD, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The filers paid over $16 million for the stake.

-30- 405
#90275c0086 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:20 that trade in Cellular Communications Inc.(NASDAQ: COMM) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 25 3/4.

-30- 344
#90275c0087 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:51 that trade in Cellular Communications Inc.(NASDAQ: COMM) has been resumed. The first sale was 25 1/4; down 1/2 point from the halt, and up 3 points from the previous close.

-30- 383
#90275c0088 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Hall-Houston Oil Co. filed to offer 5.0 million shares of common stock at an estimated initial public offering price of between $14 and $16 per share.

Of the shares being offered, 4.0 million are being sold by the company and 1.0 million are being sold by shareholders.

Smith, Barney, Harris Upham & Co. is managing the offering.

The company is an independent oil and gas exploration and development company.

Its executive offices are located at 700 Louisiana Street, Suite 2610, Houston TX 77002, and its telephone number is (713) 228-0711.

-30- 788
#90275c0089 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Aspen Bancshares Inc. filed to offer 750,000 shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is expected to range between $9 and $10 per share.

Of the shares being offered, 562,500 are to be sold by the company and 187,500 are to be sold by certain selling shareholders of the company.

No investor may acquire in the aggregate 10% or more of the company's common stock (186,070 shares) without complying with the prior notice requirements of the Bank Change of Control Act.

The offering is managed by Boettcher & Co. and Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards.

Aspen is a bank holding company whose principal asset is the common stock of Pitkin County Bank & Trust Co.

The company's executive offices are located at 534 E. Hyman Ave., P.O. Box 3677, Aspen, CO 81612, and its telephone number is (303) 925-6700.

-30- 1067
#90275c0090 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Woodbine Petroleum (TICKER: WDBN) earned $348,795 (including an extraordinary gain of $118,590), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.48 million for the nine months ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $202,720 (including an extraordinary gain of $62,210), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.14 million for the corresponding nine months in 1989.

-30- 596
#90275c0091 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows TPEX Exploration Inc.(TICKER: TPEX) earned $284, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $633,403 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $57,266 (including an extraordinary gain of $59,350), or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $540,627 for fiscal 1989.

The company's executive offices are located at 1675 Larimer Street, Suite 440, Denver, CO 80202, and its telephone number is (303) 595-4800.

-30- 659
#90275c0093 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Comtex Scientific Corp.(CMTX) lost $370,951, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $2.85 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $381,096, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $3.49 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

-30- 477
#90275c0094 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Opticorp Inc.(TICKER: LOOK) lost $1.80 million, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $595,458 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.48 million, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $202,560 in fiscal 1989.

-30- 456
#90275c0095 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Metro-Tel Corp. lost $143,727, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $4.92 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $97,483, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $5.41 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 433

#90275c0096 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Great Southern Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: GSBC) earned $2.30 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 vs. losing $3.66 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 362

#90275c0097 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Gulf & Mississippi Corp.(TICKER: GMSR) earned $66,176, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $157,149 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $302,429 (including a loss of $380,487 from discontinued operations), or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $78,058 in fiscal 1989.

-30- 512

#90275c0098 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Marine Petroleum Trust (TICKER: MARP) earned $2.85 million, or $1.42 per unit, on revenues of $2.99 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net incoem of $2.32 million, or $1.16 per unit, on revenues of $2.48 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 496

#90275c0099 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Sage Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: SLAB) earned $1.29 million, or $3.44 per share, on revenues of $8.26 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $812,338, or $2.05 per share, on revenues of $6.75 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 481

#90275c0101 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Trans Leasing International Inc.(TICKER: TLII) earned $1.25 million, or $0.43 per share, on revenues of $16.30 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $828,000, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $13.92 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 505

#90275c0102 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Cerbco Inc.(TICKER: CERB) earned $362,649, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $35.13 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $159,832, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $38.24 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 458

#90275c0103 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Hitachi Ltd.(TICKER: HIT) earned Y210,963, or Y61.71 per share, on revenues of Y7,077,855 for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of Y185,587, or Y56.14 per share, on revenues of Y6,401,417 in fiscal 1989.

NOTE: All amounts except per share figures are in millions of Japanese yen.

-30- 525

#90275c0104 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Valley Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: VAFB) earned $714,416 (including an extraordinary gain of $148,868), or $0.68 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $80,324, or $0.08 per share, in fiscal 1989.

Valley Federal's executive office is located at 350 Wabash Ave., Terre Haute, Indiana 47807 and its telephone number is (812) 232-0311.

-30- 609

#90275c0105 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Trian Equities Ltd.(TICKER: TEQE) earned $1.83 million, or $0.23 per share, for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.17 million, or $0.16 per share, in fiscal 1989.

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

-30- 460
#90275c0106 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.P. HILLARD OF P O BOX 52745, LAFAYETTE, LA 70505, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF DIGITRAN SYSTEMS INC. THROUGH VAN CLEMENS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 28, 1990.

(DIGITRAN SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 800 423-7939)

-30- 404
#90275c0107 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.W. ORTHMAN OF 3380 S DEXTER ST, DENVER, CO 80231, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000,000 SHARES OF OZO DIVERSIFIED AUTOMATION INC.(TICKER: OZOD) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 28, 1990.

(OZO DIVERSIFIED AUTOMATION INC. TEL: 303 368-0401)

-30- 453
#90275c0109 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.A. KEENER OF 1218 MIDDLEBROOK PLACE, DALLAS, TX 75208, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CODA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CODA) THROUGH GENERAL SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 27, 1990.

(CODA ENERGY INC. TEL: 214 692-1800)

-30- 409
#90275c0110 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. SKURKOVICH OF 802 ROLLINS AVE, ROCKVILLE, MD 20852, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED BIOTHERAPY CONCEPTS INC (TICKER: ADVB) THROUGH TOLUCA PACIFIC SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 25, 1990.

(ADVANCED BIOTHERAPY CONCEPTS INC TEL: 301 770-7285)

-30- 459
#90275c0111 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. PAGANES OF 440 LIVINGSTON RD S, NAPLES, FL 33942, HAS FILED TO SELL 109,333 SHARES OF TUBBY'S SUB SHOPS INC.(TICKER: TUBB) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 25, 1990.

(TUBBY'S SUB SHOPS INC. TEL: 313 296-1270)

-30- 424
#90275c0112 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B.M. ROSENBERG OF 4064 CARMEL SPRING WAY, SAN DIEGO, CA 92130, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,250 SHARES OF CHARTWELL PUBLISHING CO.,INC. THROUGH R.A. JOHNSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 27, 1990.

(CHARTWELL PUBLISHING CO.,INC. TEL: 213 628-2812)

-30- 440
#90275c0113 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B.M. REINHARDT OF P O BOX 70721, MARIETTA, GA 30007, HAS FILED TO SELL 39,999 CLASS A SHARES OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 28, 1990.

(TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. TEL: 404 827-1717)

-30- 455
#90275c0114 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P.J. HALTERLEIN OF 74-841 BORREGO DR, PALM DESERT, CA 92260, HAS FILED TO SELL 180,000 SHARES OF THRIFTY TELEPHONE INC.(TICKER: TTEL) THROUGH H.K. FREELAND & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 1, 1990.

(THRIFTY TELEPHONE INC. TEL: 714 740-2880)

-30- 439
#90275c0115 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - POWER CURVE INC OF P O BOX 144, NUT TREE, CA 95696, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,833 SHARES OF U.T. INC. THROUGH HANIFEN & IMHOFF INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 1, 1990.

(U.T. INC. TEL: 407 775-3500)

-30- 369
#90275c0117 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD C WEBSTER OF 1896 BARRETT ST, TROY, MI 48084, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,222 SHARES OF OIS OPTICAL IMAGING SYS INC. (TICKER: OVON) THROUGH SPROTT SECS LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 21, 1990.

(OIS OPTICAL IMAGING SYS INC. TEL: 313 362-2738)

-30- 435
#90275c0118 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J RICHARD CHALK OF 3017 BISSONNET, HOUSTON, TX 77005, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH LOVETT UNDERWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7008)

-30- 387
#90275c0119 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN B MARVIN OF 32721 MEADOW MTN, EVERGREEN, CO 80439, HAS FILED TO SELL 55,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-7330)

-30- 410
#90275c0120 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN G HERTZ OF 767 ARTHUR GODFREY RD, 0, MIAMI BCH, FL 33140, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,110 SHARES OF PLASTIGONE TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GONE)

THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(PLASTIGONE TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 305 274-1233)

-30- 454
#90275c0121 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFFREY L ORENSTEIN OF 115 CENTRAL PARK W, APT 3K, NEW YORK, NY 10023, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,500 SHARES OF THE NEW RETAIL CONCEPTS CO. (TICKER: NRCX) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(THE NEW RETAIL CONCEPTS CO. TEL: 212 944-2220)

-30- 452
#90275c0122 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DURISH STEPHEN S FOR STATE OF T OF 7707 RECORDS ST, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46226, HAS FILED TO SELL 69,841 SHARES OF RELM COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: RGCY) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28 1990.

(RELM COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 317 545-4281)

-30- 472
#90275c0123 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN J KEARY JR OF 75 MAPLE AVE, TROY, NY 12180, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(MEGA GROUP INC. TEL: 518 271-6044)

-30- 393
#90275c0125 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID E HARTNETT OF 5850 OBERLIN AVE NE, SEATTLE, WA 98119, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,625 SHARES OF NEORX CORP. (TICKER: NERX) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(NEORX CORP. TEL: 206 281-7001)

-30- 398
#90275c0126 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NGOC VANHOANG OF 4551 CHARLEVILLE, IRVINE, CA 92714, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,664 SHARES OF BELCOR INC. (TICKER: BLCR) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(BELCOR INC. TEL: 714 261-7522)

-30- 388
#90275c0127 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS H DANDURAN OF 112132 HEARING CIRCLE, CHASKA, MN 55318, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,000 SHARES OF ALLERCARE INC. (TICKER: ALLR) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(ALLERCARE INC. TEL: 612 932-9979)

-30- 408
#90275c0128 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY W PENDER OF 7215 LAVENDALE CIRCLE, DALLAS, TX 75230, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 332-7000)

-30- 397
#90275c0129 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCOTT DILLENBACK OF 1676 GARRY DR, BELLBROOK, OH 45305, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CONMED CORP. (TICKER: CNMD) THROUGH CHARLES M BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(CONMED CORP. TEL: 315 797-8375)

-30- 396

#90275c0130 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAX GILINSKI OF 10205 COLLINS AVE #806, BAL HARBOR, FL 33154, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF TIGERA GROUP INC (TICKER: TYGR) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(TIGERA GROUP INC TEL: 212 246-3620)

-30- 419
#90275c0131 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUCE ELBILIA OF 300 EAST 59TH ST, APT 3507, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF PHILIPPE (JEAN) FRAGANCES INC. (TICKER: JEAN) THROUGH FRANK CALABRESE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(PHILIPPE (JEAN) FRAGANCES INC. TEL: 212 983-2640)

-30- 453
#90275c0133 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES P HUTCHINSON JR OF 96 GLENMORE DR, CHATUNM, NJ 07928, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(BROWN (ALEX) INC. TEL: 301 727-1700)

-30- 416
#90275c0134 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENT R KREITLER OF P O BOX 2360, KETCHUM, ID 83340, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN OIL & GAS CORP. (DE) (TICKER: AOG) THROUGH JEFFERIES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(AMERICAN OIL & GAS CORP. (DE) TEL: 713 739-2900)

-30- 434
#90275c0135 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SALLYANN H THURBER OF 108 BIRCH RD, BRIAR CLIFF MANOR, NY 10810, HAS

FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF UTILITECH INC. (TICKER: UTLL) THROUGH WERTHEIM SCHRODER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(UTILITECH INC. TEL: 213 824-7911)

-30- 414
#90275c0136 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G ROLAND KERSTEN OF 601 WYTHE ST S #202, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(CEL-SCI CORP. TEL: 703 549-5293)

-30- 401
#90275c0137 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN J KEARY JR OF 75 MAPLE AVE, TROY, NY 12180, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(MEGA GROUP INC. TEL: 518 271-6044)

-30- 393
#90275c0138 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFFREY W MILLER OF 950 GILBERT ST, BOULDER, CO 80302, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,535 SHARES OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(FOREST OIL CORP. TEL: 814 368-7171)

-30- 401
#90275c0139 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID J GLADSTONE OF 8401 WELLER AVE, MCLEAN, VA 22102, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,202 SHARES OF ALLIED CAPITAL CORP. II (TICKER: ALII) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(ALLIED CAPITAL CORP. II TEL: 202 331-1112)

-30- 430
#90275c0141 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN D BENCH OF 2165 W SURREY CIR, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84118, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,770 SHARES OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 26, 1990.

(GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. TEL: 800 532-7526)

-30- 425
#90275c0142 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NAGGAR GUY 1982 SETTLEMENT TR OF 4491 S STE RD SEVEN, STE 318, FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33314, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,911 SHARES OF CANCER TREATMENT HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: CTHI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(CANCER TREATMENT HOLDINGS INC. TEL: 305 321-9555)

-30- 506
#90275c0143 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MERRILL LYNCH INTERFUNDING INC OF 3440 EAST HOUSTON ST, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78219, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 26, 1990.

(KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. TEL: 512 225-4092)

-30- 454
#90275c0144 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EQUISOURCE CAPITAL INC OF 2665 S BAYSHORE DR, COCONUT GROVE, FL 33133, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF INSTA COOL INC. OF NORTH AMERICA (TICKER: KOOL) THROUGH PARADISE VALLEY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(INSTA COOL INC. OF NORTH AMERICA TEL: 916 638-8357)

-30- 480
#90275c0145 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DUBBIN D S & GLADYS EST OF 7100 BISCAYNE BLVD, MIAMI, FL 33138, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF CANAVERAL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CANI) THROUGH HASAN GROWNEY INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(CANAVERAL INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 305 759-2441)

-30- 455
#90275c0146 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DUBBIN HENRY & DOROTHY EST OF 7100 BISCAYNE BLVD, MIAMI, FL 33138, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF CANAVERAL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CANI) THROUGH HASAN GROWNEY INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(CANAVERAL INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 305 759-2441)

-30- 461
#90275c0147 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN V HAZLETON OF P O BOX 25914-415, HOUSTON, TX 77265, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MID-AMERICA RACING STABLES INC. (TICKER: RACE) THROUGH SANDERS MORRIS MUNDY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 26, 1990.

(MID-AMERICA RACING STABLES INC. TEL: 405 364-6252)

-30- 456
#90275c0149 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GROVEST INC OF 330 VANDERBILT MOTOR PKWY, HAUPPAUGE, NY 11788, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF AB HOLDING GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGBG) THROUGH BEST INVESTORS GROUP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(AB HOLDING GROUP INC. TEL: 503 861-1644)

-30- 426
#90275c0150 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VINCENT SORENA OF 594 VANDERBILT PKWY, DIX HILLS, NY 11746, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,500 SHARES OF AB HOLDING GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGBG) THROUGH BEST INVESTORS GROUP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 25, 1990.

(AB HOLDING GROUP INC. TEL: 503 861-1644)

-30- 425
#90275c0151 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEAL FRANCES S 1974 TRUST OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. (TICKER: CHL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. TEL: 713 236-6336)

-30- 441
#90275c0152 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G ROBERT MCABEE OF 18913 OAKLAND HILL DR, HIALEAH, FL 33015, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,900 SHARES OF QUIPP INC. (TICKER: QUIP) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(QUIPP INC. TEL: 305 884-5204)

-30- 385
#90275c0153 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIMBERLY R KREITLER OF P O BOX 2360, KETCHUM, ID 83340, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN OIL & GAS CORP. (DE) (TICKER: AOG) THROUGH JEFFERIES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(AMERICAN OIL & GAS CORP. (DE) TEL: 713 739-2900)

-30- 438
#90275c0154 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN C BEDROSIAN OF 2700 COLORADO AVE, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404, HAS FILED TO SELL 65,000 SHARES OF NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: NME) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC TEL: 213 315-8000)

-30- 453
#90275c0155 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILIP B DUSENBERRY OF 180 EAST END AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10128, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF OMNICOM GROUP INC (TICKER: OMC) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 26, 1990.

(OMNICOM GROUP INC TEL: 212 415-3600)

-30- 416
#90275c0157 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAY M HAFT OF 529 FIFTH AVE, 8TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,666 SHARES OF BLOC DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: BDEV) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(BLOC DEVELOPMENT CORP. TEL: 305 567-9931)

-30- 429
#90275c0158 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD RAY ARDEMAGNI OF 6049 RUSTLING OAKS DR, AGOURA, CA 91301, HAS FILED TO SELL 34,073 SHARES OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. TEL: 818 995-7000)

-30- 435
#90275c0159 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - & BLOMER COBCEUCO OF 9944 BARNES CANYON RD, SAN DIEGO, CA 92121, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF INFRASONICS INC. (TICKER: IFRA) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(INFRASONICS INC. TEL: 488 791-4800)

-30- 417

#90275c0160 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK TSENG OF 6029 ATKINSON RD, 0, NEW HOPE, PA 18938, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,000 SHARES OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(TSENG LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 215 968-0502)

-30- 423
#90275c0161 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVESTMENTS AGS OF 289 LEZAK ROAD, P O BOX 518, SEALY, TX 77474, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,737 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH JONES GABLE & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 409 885-4158)

-30- 401
#90275c0162 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVESTMENTS AGS OF 289 LEZAK ROAD, P O BOX 518, SEALY, TX 77474, HAS FILED TO SELL 93,550 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH JONES GABLE & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 409 885-4158)

-30- 403
#90275c0163 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL J TERRA OF 990 SKOKIE BLVD, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF MERCURY FINANCE CO. (TICKER: MFN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(MERCURY FINANCE CO. TEL: 708 564-3720)

-30- 409
#90275c0165 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACOB JOSHUA & JENNIFER MOORE OF 1475 LOS OLIVOS RD, SANTA ROSA, CA

95405, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,120 SHARES OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE) THROUGH M C HARRISON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. TEL: 415 391-7700)

-30- 438
#90275c0166 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CH PARTNERS III OF 777 108TH AVE NE, BELLEVUE, WA 98004, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(CONSILIUM INC. TEL: 415 691-6100)

-30- 408
#90275c0167 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PEW T/W J P WERTHERILL MARJORI OF 5656 BLACKWELL, FOUR NORTHPARK EAST, DALLAS, TX 75231, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,400 SHARES OF ORYX ENERGY CO. (TICKER: ORX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(ORYX ENERGY CO. TEL: 214 890-5000)

-30- 436
#90275c0168 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - & ASSOCICATES VWK OF 285 HEWLETT CT, ST LOUIS, MO 63141, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF AICORP INC. (TICKER: AICP) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(AICORP INC. TEL: 617 890-8400)

-30- 388
#90275c0169 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TIBOR L FOLDVARI OF 2573 SOMERSET DR, BELMONT, CA 94002, HAS FILED TO SELL 46,000 SHARES OF NELLCOR INC. (TICKER: NELL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(NELLCOR INC. TEL: 415 887-5858)

-30- 398
#90275c0170 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK BEDDOR JR OF 4400 GULF SHORE BLVD N, ARDISSONE #602, NAPLES, FL 33940, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BANTA CORP. (TICKER: BNTA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(BANTA CORP. TEL: 414 722-7777)

-30- 404
#90275c0171 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTH AMERN EQUITABLE LIFE ASSUR OF 1251 DUBLIN RD, 0, COLUMBUS, OH 43215, HAS FILED TO SELL 43,750 SHARES OF CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. (TICKER: CDIC) THROUGH J C BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. TEL: 614 761-8700)

-30- 477
#90275c0173 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENDALL EVANS OF 2380 CRANBERRY HGWY, WEST WAREHAM, MA 02576, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,667 SHARES OF FLEXWATT CORP. (TICKER: FWAT) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(FLEXWATT CORP. TEL: 508 291-2000)

-30- 400
#90275c0174 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OMER THERIAULT OF 17 ALDERBROOK RD, TOPSFIELD, MA 01983, HAS FILED TO SELL 53,333 SHARES OF FLEXWATT CORP. (TICKER: FWAT) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(FLEXWATT CORP. TEL: 508 291-2000)

-30- 400

#90275c0175 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WAYNE H DUPONT OF 96 COUNTRY CLUB WAY, IPSWICH, MA 01938, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF FLEXWATT CORP. (TICKER: FWAT) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(FLEXWATT CORP. TEL: 508 291-2000)

-30- 400
#90275c0176 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL D RICHARD OF 305 RIM SHADOWS DR, SEDONA, AZ 86336, HAS FILED TO SELL 34,000 SHARES OF MARROW-TECH INC. (TICKER: MARO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(MARROW-TECH INC. TEL: 619 450-5730)

-30- 407
#90275c0177 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROLS NATIONAL OF 2424 EDENBORN AVE STE 620, METAIRIE, LA 70001, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,000 SHARES OF CHEMFIX TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CFIX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(CHEMFIX TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 504 831-3600)

-30- 454
#90275c0178 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM D BUCKLEY OF RR #2, P O BOX 243A, STONE LAKE, WI 54876, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF SUDBURY INC. (TICKER: SUDS) THROUGH BLUNT ELLIS & LOEWI. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(SUDBURY INC. TEL: 216 464-7026)

-30- 404
#90275c0179 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID L WEINBERG OF 10165 NW 43 ST, CORAL SPRINGS, FL 33065, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 305 964-3666)

-30- 446
#90275c0181 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT H KLEBBA OF 9219 MAGIC MTN DRIVE, CHATTANOOGA, TN 37421, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF DURR-FILLAUER MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: DUFM) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(DURR-FILLAUER MEDICAL INC. TEL: 205 241-8801)

-30- 437
#90275c0182 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS L ROCK OF 5555 DEL MONTE, UNIT 105, HOUSTON, TX 77056, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,367 SHARES OF SMITH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: SII) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(SMITH INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 713 443-3370)

-30- 428
#90275c0183 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROGER C DAVISSON OF 15 CELESTIAL DR, IRVINE, CA 92715, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH WERTHEIM SCHRODER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 448
#90275c0184 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERRY A DUBROF OF 2619 PEACHTREE RD, ATLANTA, GA 30305, HAS FILED TO SELL 279,000 SHARES OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(ALLWASTE INC. TEL: 713 240-0360)

-30- 403
#90275c0185 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEE H JAVITCH OF 21 STRATFORD RD, HARRISON, NY 10528, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,450 SHARES OF DAUPHIN DEPOSIT CORP. (TICKER: DAPN) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(DAUPHIN DEPOSIT CORP. TEL: 717 255-2121)

-30- 417
#90275c0186 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LANNY H MICHAEL OF 18328 NE 153RD STREET, 0, WOODINVILLE, WA 98072, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,080 SHARES OF AIRBORNE FREIGHT CORP. (TICKER: ABF) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(AIRBORNE FREIGHT CORP. TEL: 206 281-1095)

-30- 437
#90275c0187 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES WRIGHT OF 8514 121ST STREET, PALOS PARK, IL 60464, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF PRESSTEK INC. (TICKER: PRST) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(PRESSTEK INC. TEL: 603 595-7000)

-30- 396
#90275c0189 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DUNCAN E WINE OF 3522 KENNONVIEW, HOUSTON, TX 77068, HAS FILED TO SELL 66,666 SHARES OF MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MSCX) THROUGH D E WINE INVESTMENTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. TEL: 713 977-1312)

-30- 409

#90275c0190 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN C NAREMORE OF 8215 NORTHBRIDGE, SPRING, TX 77379, HAS FILED TO SELL 67,333 SHARES OF MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MSCX) THROUGH D E WINE INVESTMENTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. TEL: 713 977-1312)

-30- 417
#90275c0191 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G ROLAND KERSTEN OF 601 WYTHE ST S #202, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(CEL-SCI CORP. TEL: 703 549-5293)

-30- 401
#90275c0192 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVE MARHUS OF 6806 JACKSON, ANN ARBOR, MI 48103, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF INTERFACE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTF) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(INTERFACE SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 313 769-5900)

-30- 412
#90275c0193 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK K VICK OF 7761 APPLETREE CIRCLE, ORLANDO, FL 32819, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,070 SHARES OF BMR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: BMRG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(BMR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. TEL: 404 934-9994)

-30- 422
#90275c0194 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEWISH PHILANTHROPIES FDN OF 368 PLEASANTVIEW DR, LANCASTER, NY 14086,

HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. (TICKER: EEI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. TEL: 716 684-8060)

-30- 457
#90275c0195 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, W.H. JOHNSTON III, DIR. OF CITIZENS INDEPENDENT BANCORP BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 322
#90275c0197 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, C.M. MANER, PRES. OF CITIZENS INDEPENDENT BANCORP BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,500.

-30- 315
#90275c0198 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 3, 1990, F.J. WILKINS, PRES. OF INSURANCE INVESTORS & HOLDING CO. BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,094.

-30- 331
#90275c0199 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 19, 1990, G.J. PETRAS, SHAREHOLDER OF NATIONAL HEALTH ENHACEMENTS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NHES), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $0.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 337,440.

-30- 367
#90275c0200 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, H.R. LOGAN JR, DIR. OF VANTAGE POINT ENERGY INC. (TICKER: VPEI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,808.

-30- 325
#90275c0201 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, WOODWARD GOV CO STK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WOODWARD GOVERNOR CO.(TICKER: WGOV) BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 519,204.

-30- 369
#90275c0202 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, D.R. MORGAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF UTAH RESOURCES INTERN INC BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 875,534.

-30- 336
#90275c0203 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, J.H. MORGAN JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF UTAH RESOURCES INTERN INC BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 682,235.

-30- 340
#90275c0205 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, KENNETH BLACK JR, DIR. OF ALEXANDER & ALEXANDER SVCS INC. (TICKER: AAL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 333
#90275c0206 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ERNEST S BEREZ, DIR. OF ACTION INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ACX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 376,941.

-30- 310

#90275c0207 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, BENJAMIN S RINKEY, PRES. OF AMERICAN ADJUSTABLE RATE TERM TR INC. (TICKER: ADJ), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 348
#90275c0208 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, N KIRBY ALTON, OFFICER OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN), SOLD 12,810 SHARES AT $45.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,750.

-30- 303
#90275c0209 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, FRANKLIN P JOHNSON JR, DIR. OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $43.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,000.

-30- 310
#90275c0210 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, HILDEBERT F CRISTE, CHAIRMAN OF BANK MARYLAND CORP. (TICKER: BKMD), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90275c0211 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, HILDEBERT F CRISTE, CHAIRMAN OF BANK MARYLAND CORP. (TICKER: BKMD), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90275c0213 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HILDEBERT F CRISTE, CHAIRMAN OF BANK MARYLAND CORP. (TICKER: BKMD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 84,552.

-30- 326
#90275c0214 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, VON PARIS BONAVENTURE E, DIR. OF BANK MARYLAND CORP. (TICKER: BKMD), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,850.

-30- 330
#90275c0215 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, M RICHARD ROSE, DIR. OF BALDWIN TECHNOLOGY CO. (TICKER: BLD), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 318
#90275c0216 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, WALTER H ALFORD, VP OF BELLSOUTH CORP. (TICKER: BLS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90275c0217 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, IVAN ALLEN III, DIR. OF BELLSOUTH CORP. (TICKER: BLS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 300
#90275c0218 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, SAMUEL W BODMAN, CHAIRMAN OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 248,000.

-30- 308
#90275c0219 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, THOMAS J HANSBERRY, DIR. OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,134.

-30- 326
#90275c0221 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JAMES H CRIVITS, CHAIRMAN OF CONSUL RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: CNSL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 84,200.

-30- 332
#90275c0222 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, BARBARA L MILLS, DIR. OF CENTRAL SPRINKLER CORP. (TICKER: CNSP), SOLD 1,184 SHARES AT $12.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,080.

-30- 323
#90275c0223 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RICHARD P OLEARY, DIR. OF CENTRAL SPRINKLER CORP. (TICKER: CNSP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 324
#90275c0224 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, HERBERT SALZMAN, DIR. OF CENTRAL SPRINKLER CORP. (TICKER: CNSP), SOLD 1,184 SHARES AT $12.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,080.

-30- 323
#90275c0225 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, G GILMER MINOR III, DIR. OF CRESTAR FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CRFC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 320
#90275c0226 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, G GILMER MINOR III, DIR. OF CRESTAR FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CRFC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 321
#90275c0227 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, JOHN F CREAMER JR, DIR. OF ECHLIN INC. (TICKER: ECH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 300
#90275c0229 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JAMES S M FRENCH, DIR. OF ENERGEN CORP. (TICKER: EGN), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90275c0230 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JAMES S M FRENCH, DIR. OF ENERGEN CORP. (TICKER: EGN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,050.

-30- 306
#90275c0231 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, STEVE L HUI, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90275c0232 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 25, 1990, STEVE L HUI, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER:

EVRX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90275c0233 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 30, 1990, STEVE L HUI, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90275c0234 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 30, 1990, STEVE L HUI, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90275c0235 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, STEVE L HUI, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90275c0237 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 04, 1990, STEVE L HUI, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90275c0238 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, STEVE L HUI, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,384,983.

-30- 315
#90275c0239 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, KENNETH R MASTERSON, VP OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $37.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 321
#90275c0240 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, T ALLAN MCARTOR, VP OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $37.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,500.

-30- 309
#90275c0241 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, SAMUEL R BROWN, VP OF FIDELITY BANCSHARES INC. (TN) (TICKER: FFTN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90275c0242 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, SAMUEL R BROWN, VP OF FIDELITY BANCSHARES INC. (TN) (TICKER: FFTN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90275c0243 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, SAMUEL R BROWN, VP OF FIDELITY BANCSHARES INC. (TN) (TICKER: FFTN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 324
#90275c0245 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $23.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0246 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $23.64 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90275c0247 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 20, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $23.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0248 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $25.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0249 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0250 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $22.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90275c0251 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $23.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0253 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $23.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 557,700.

-30- 345
#90275c0254 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0255 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $23.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0256 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 9,500 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0257 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90275c0258 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $24.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 304

#90275c0259 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $25.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0261 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 03, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $25.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0262 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 7,300 SHARES AT $26.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0263 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 6,900 SHARES AT $26.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0264 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 13,500 SHARES AT $26.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90275c0265 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304

#90275c0266 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0267 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 10, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90275c0269 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 10, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0270 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 10, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0271 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0272 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $27.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90275c0273 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $28.89 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0274 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 5,900 SHARES AT $28.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 659,000.

-30- 343
#90275c0275 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 01, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 6,200 SHARES AT $28.02 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0277 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 13, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $26.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90275c0278 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 14, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $26.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0279 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 15, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0280 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 18, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $25.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0281 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 20, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 6,200 SHARES AT $24.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0282 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 21, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $24.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0283 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 22, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $24.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0285 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 27, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $25.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0286 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 28, 1989, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 731,760.

-30- 343
#90275c0287 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 02, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0288 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 03, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0289 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 09, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $24.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0290 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 10, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90275c0291 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 11, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $23.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0293 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 15, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0294 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 15, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $23.43 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0295 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 15, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $23.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0296 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 16, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 4,900 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0297 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 16, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0298 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 17, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 9,300 SHARES AT $22.97 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0299 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 18, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $23.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0301 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 22, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0302 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 23, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 5,100 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0303 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 24, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90275c0304 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 26, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 794,360.

-30- 339
#90275c0305 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 01, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0306 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 02, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90275c0307 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 05, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $22.24 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0309 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 08, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $24.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0310 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 09, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90275c0311 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 09, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $23.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0312 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 23, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $21.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0313 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 27, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $21.59 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0314 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 27, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90275c0315 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 27, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $21.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 810,860.

-30- 342
#90275c0317 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 09, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0318 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 10, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 812,600.

-30- 343
#90275c0319 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 16, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $19.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0320 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $19.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 817,500.

-30- 343
#90275c0321 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 24,900 SHARES AT $18.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90275c0322 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $18.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90275c0323 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90275c0325 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $19.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90275c0326 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90275c0327 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), SOLD 16,500 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 793,500.

-30- 344
#90275c0328 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 01, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), SOLD 1,860 SHARES AT $21.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90275c0329 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $20.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90275c0330 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 06, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90275c0331 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 22, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $19.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 803,600.

-30- 343
#90275c0333 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $20.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 304

#90275c0334 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $19.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90275c0335 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 819,500.

-30- 343
#90275c0336 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, RICHARD L DAWLEY, VP OF GROSSMAN'S INC. (TICKER: GROS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 302
#90275c0337 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DONALD L HARRILL, VP OF HILTON HOTELS CORP. (TICKER: HLT), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,074.

-30- 305
#90275c0338 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, HOWARD SHAPIRO, VP OF ICM PROPERTY INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: ICM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 321
#90275c0339 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, R SCOTT FETNER, CHAIRMAN OF IOWA NATIONAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: INBS), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,740.

-30- 338
#90275c0341 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ANTHONY S ABBATE, PRES. OF INTERCHANGE FINANCIAL SVCS CORP. (TICKER: ISB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,787.

-30- 341
#90275c0342 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, DANIEL W HAY, OFFICER OF SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO. (TICKER: LUV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 313
#90275c0343 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, LELCO INC, BEN. OWNER OF MULTNOMAH KENNEL CLUB (TICKER: MKNL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,377.

-30- 324
#90275c0344 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, KIM LUNDGREN, SHAREHOLDER OF MULTNOMAH KENNEL CLUB (TICKER: MKNL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,377.

-30- 335
#90275c0345 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, LEONARD LUNDGREN, SHAREHOLDER OF MULTNOMAH KENNEL CLUB (TICKER: MKNL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,377.

-30- 339
#90275c0346 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, EDGAR D PRINCE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90275c0347 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EDGAR D PRINCE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,273.

-30- 322
#90275c0349 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EDGAR D PRINCE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90275c0350 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, EDGAR D PRINCE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $26.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90275c0351 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, EDGAR D PRINCE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90275c0352 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, EDGAR D PRINCE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281

#90275c0353 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, EDGAR D PRINCE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90275c0354 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, EDGAR D PRINCE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90275c0355 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EDGAR D PRINCE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90275c0357 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, EDGAR D PRINCE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90275c0358 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, EDGAR D PRINCE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90275c0359 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, EDGAR D PRINCE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283

#90275c0360 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EDGAR D PRINCE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 239,791.

-30- 322
#90275c0361 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, DONALD RATAJCZAK, DIR. OF MORRISON INC. (TICKER: MORR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,333.

-30- 306
#90275c0362 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, TYCO TOYS INC, BEN. OWNER OF NASTA INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: NAS), BOUGHT 390,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90275c0363 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, TYCO TOYS INC, BEN. OWNER OF NASTA INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: NAS), BOUGHT 163,389 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 553,389.

-30- 332
#90275c0365 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DAN HEINE, PRES. OF NORTHWEST ILLINOIS BANCORP INC (TICKER: NWIB), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 330
#90275c0366 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RICHARD W OWEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NORTHWEST ILLINOIS BANCORP INC (TICKER: NWIB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,219.

-30- 356
#90275c0367 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GRANT M INMAN, DIR. OF PAYCHEX INC. (TICKER: PAYX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90275c0368 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GRANT M INMAN, DIR. OF PAYCHEX INC. (TICKER: PAYX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90275c0369 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GRANT M INMAN, DIR. OF PAYCHEX INC. (TICKER: PAYX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90275c0370 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GRANT M INMAN, DIR. OF PAYCHEX INC. (TICKER: PAYX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,900.

-30- 299
#90275c0371 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $21.64 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90275c0373 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS

& ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 1,054 SHARES AT $22.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90275c0374 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 42,536 SHARES AT $22.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90275c0375 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 164 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90275c0376 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 43,259 SHARES AT $22.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90275c0377 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 146 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90275c0378 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 3,476 SHARES AT $22.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90275c0379 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS

& ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 129,593 SHARES AT $22.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 340
#90275c0381 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 43,861 SHARES AT $21.67 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90275c0382 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 63,918 SHARES AT $21.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90275c0383 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 5,400 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90275c0384 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 28,519 SHARES AT $22.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90275c0385 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 6,100 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90275c0386 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS

& ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 35,340 SHARES AT $21.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90275c0387 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 36,020 SHARES AT $20.89 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90275c0389 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 406 SHARES AT $22.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90275c0390 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 183 SHARES AT $21.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90275c0391 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 244 SHARES AT $20.89 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90275c0392 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 3,747 SHARES AT $21.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90275c0393 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS

& ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 1,888 SHARES AT $22.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90275c0394 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 390 SHARES AT $21.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90275c0395 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 923 SHARES AT $20.89 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90275c0397 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, MICHAEL W DUNAWAY, CHAIRMAN OF PSICOR INC. (TICKER: PCOR), SOLD 27,900 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,171,350.

-30- 316
#90275c0398 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 06, 1990, MICHAEL W DUNAWAY, CHAIRMAN OF PSICOR INC. (TICKER: PCOR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,199,250.

-30- 313
#90275c0399 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLIAM G THOMAS, DIR. OF PERPETUAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PFCP), SOLD 85,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 127,000.

-30- 329
#90275c0400 10/02/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, RICHARD L SMITHSON, VP OF HARRIS (PAUL) STORES INC. (TICKER: PHRS), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $2.83 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,427.

-30- 329
#90275c0401 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, EUGENE M BANE, DIR. OF PIKEVILLE NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PKVL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90275c0402 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, EUGENE M BANE, DIR. OF PIKEVILLE NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PKVL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90275c0403 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, EUGENE M BANE, DIR. OF PIKEVILLE NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PKVL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,000.

-30- 319
#90275c0405 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GERALD L RAY, DIR. OF REPUBLIC GYPSUM CO. (TICKER: RGC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 201,285.

-30- 306
#90275c0406 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MARION H ANTONINI, DIR. OF SCIENTIFIC-ATLANTA INC. (TICKER: SFA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 327
#90275c0407 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ROBERT I GOLDSTINE, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,416.

-30- 304
#90275c0408 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, EMORY O CUNNINGHAM, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 230 SHARES AT $17.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,289.

-30- 313
#90275c0409 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, L DALE ROWLEY, VP OF TEJAS GAS CORP. (TICKER: TEJS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 650.

-30- 296
#90275c0410 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, GARY L FRUEH, VP OF U.S. HOME CORP. (TICKER: UH), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,200.

-30- 296
#90275c0411 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, QUINLAN J SULLIVAN, VP OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90275c0413 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, QUINLAN J SULLIVAN, VP OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB), SOLD 8,500 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,314.

-30- 293
#90275c0414 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, LOUIS T MASTOS, DIR. OF WESTERN ACCEPTANCE CORP. (TICKER: WACO), BOUGHT 769,000 SHARES AT $0.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,974,600.

-30- 333
#90275c0415 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, SAMUEL B FORTENBAUGH III, DIR. OF WESTERN PUBLISHING GROUP INC. (TICKER: WPGI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 350
#90275c0416 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, LINUS MATTHEW STOLL, CHAIRMAN OF WISCONSIN PUBLIC SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: WPS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,482.

-30- 337
#90275c0417 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, MARTY R KITTRELL, VP OF EXIDE ELECTRONICS GRP INC. (TICKER: XUPS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 328
#90275c0418 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 14, 1990, ALLAN P KIRBY JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ALLEGHANY CORP. (TICKER: Y), SOLD 4,213 SHARES AT $84.91 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 210,695.

-30- 333

#90275c0419 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 14, 1990, ALLAN P KIRBY JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ALLEGHANY CORP. (TICKER: Y), SOLD 6,113 SHARES AT $84.91 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 305,655.

-30- 336
#90275c0421 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, W DAVID HEMINGWAY, SHAREHOLDER OF ZIONS BANCORP. (TICKER: ZION), BOUGHT 219 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,850.

-30- 324
#90275c0422 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY A. BERGVALL OWNS 399,150 SHARES (12.96%) OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD (TICKER: BHM) OF HAMILTON, BERMUDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 24, 1990 A. Bergvall purchased 32,000 shares at $6.13 per share.

-30- 427
#90275c0423 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The percentage of A. Bergvall's stake in B&H Ocean Carriers Ltd.(TICKER: BHO) is unclear from the information given.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 31, 1990 and Sept. 27, 1990 A. Bergvall purchased 77,200 shares at $9 to $11 each.

-30- 471
#90275c0424 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

THE MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC OWNS 1,878,904 SHARES (30.57%) OF ORS CORP (TICKER: ORSC) OF CALGARY, ALBERTA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Maguire Foundation Inc. intends to sell 40,000 shares of Ors Corp.'s common stock during October 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

During the period July 24, 1990 through Aug. 31, 1990 Maguire Foundation Inc. sold 130,000 shares at undisclosed prices.

-30- 576
#90275c0425 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

S. KLECKNER OWNS 51,115 SHARES (5.10%) OF AMITY BANCORP INC (TICKER: AMTY) OF NEW HAVEN, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between May 16, 1990 and Sept. 20, 1990 S. Kleckner purchased 51,115 shares of Amity Bancorp Inc. at $4.50 to $5.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 474
#90275c0426 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY J.C. TSUNIS OWNS 24,393 SHARES (2.88%) OF HAMPTONS BANCSHARES INC

(TICKER: HBSI) OF SOUTHAMPTON, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 30, 1990 and Aug. 31, 1990 J.C. Tsunis have sold 29,485 shares at $6 to $8.88 per share.

-30- 443
#90275c0427 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY STELCO ENTERPRISES CORP OWNS 1,598,759 SHARES (40.30%) OF BLISS & LAUGHLIN INDUSTRIES (TICKER: BLIS) OF HARVEY, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 24, 1990 Stelco Enterprise Corp. acquired 39,000 shares at $5.80 per share from Anthony J. Romanovich, a director and senior vice president of Bliss & Laughlin Industries.

PURPOSE:

Increase investment.

-30- 584
#90275c0429 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,778,130 SHARES (10.85%) OF NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP INC (TICKER: NMG) OF CHESTNUT HILL, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 1 to Sept. 28, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 130,200 shares for $10.25 to $16 per share and sold 20,420 shares for $11 to $15 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 567
#90275c0430 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY MEZZANINE LENDING ASSOCIATES II LP OWNS 3,112,500 SHARES (13.40%) OF PROSPECT GROUP INC (TICKER: PROS) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 408
#90275c0431 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY MEZZANINE LENDING ASSOCIATES II LP OWNS 277,283 SHARES (7.10%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 399
#90275c0432 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY MEZZANINE LENDING ASSOCIATES II LP OWNS 740,701 SHARES (14.40%) OF SYLVAN FOODS HOLDINGS INC (TICKER: SYLN) OF WORTHINGTON, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 422
#90275c0433 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY MEZZANINE LENDING ASSOCIATES II LP OWNS 2,152,280 SHARES (9.00%) OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL CORP (TICKER: ICRR) OF CHICAGO, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Mezzanine Lending Associates II LP purchased 50,000 shares on Sept. 27, 1990 for $10.25 per share.

-30- 470
#90275c0435 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 43

S. STAHL OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 4,505,987 SHARES (97.00%) OF APPLE BANCORP INC (TICKER: APK) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 2, 1990, Stahl announced that 3,100,537 shares were tendered and accepted under his offer, giving him a 97 percent stake in Apple. Simultaneously, Apple's series A junior participating preferred purchase rights were redeemed and Apple's board was expanded to 21 directors and Stahl and his nominees were elected to constitute a majority of the board.

-30- 689
#90275c0436 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY T.M. TAYLOR OF FT WORTH, TX OWNS 1,348,150 SHARES (10.30%) OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC (TICKER: LQM) OF SAN ANTONIO, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Although T.M. Taylor are generally impressed with the management of La Quinta Motor Inns Inc. and its performance, T.M. Taylor question the adoption by the board of La Quinta Motor Inns Inc. of a shareholders rights plan announced on Sept. 26, 1990. T.M. Taylor are currently examining their legal rights and will determine a course of action.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

T.M. Taylor purchased 323,100 shares from Aug. 15 to Sept. 28, 1990 for $12.06

to $16.16 per share.

-30- 838
#90275c0438 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

D.J. TERRA OF NORTHBROOK, IL OWNS 3,294,388 SHARES (25.72%) OF MERCURY FINANCE CO (TICKER: MFN) OF NORTHBROOK, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Terra sold the common stock to decrease his equity position in the company. Mr. Terra disclaims beneficial ownership of the 4,000 shares of the common stock held by Judith Terra, his wife.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 28, 1989 through Dec. 7, 1989, D.J. Terra sold 141,100 shares at a price of $21.75 to $26.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

To decrease equity position in company.

-30- 728
#90275c0439 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GRO-VEST INC OWNS 779,124 SHARES (11.70%) OF AB HOLDING GROUP INC (TICKER: AGBG) OF HAMMOND, OR.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From March 16, 1990 through Sept. 19, 1990 Gro-Vest Inc. sold 77,000 shares of AB Holding Group Inc. at a price of $.01 per share for 47,000 of such shares and at an undisclosed price for 30,000 remaining shares.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 581
#90275c0440 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

G.A. CONTI JR TRUSTEE OWNS 37,500 SHARES (6.25%) OF COMMERCIAL NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORP OF LATROBE, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 376
#90275c0441 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

APACHE CORP OF WASHINGTON, DC OWNS 1,843,615 SHARES (15.85%) OF KEY PRODUCTION CO (TICKER: KPCI) OF DENVER, CO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between April 30, 1990 and Sept. 5, 1990 Apache Corp. purchased 174,100 shares for an average price per share of $3.14.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 478
#90275c0442 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

T.B. PILEGGI OWNS 82,200 SHARES (6.26%) OF PRIME BANCORP (TICKER: PSAB) OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

T.B. Pileggi purchased 82,200 shares from Sept. 18-24, 1990 for $11 to $11.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 442
#90275c0443 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an agreement with MHP dated July 23, 1990, Eastern Shore Consolidated Industries Inc. will be entitled to purchase 51 percent of the outstanding shares of MHP for $.50 per share. The board of MHP Machines Inc. (TICKER: MHPI) is in favor of the offer and recommends shareholders tender their shares.

-30- 548
#90275c0444 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

W.R. GRACE & CO OWNS 2,342,920 SHARES (41.10%) OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CORP (TICKER: CANO) OF PORTER, IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Grace New York disclaims beneficial ownership of 140,000 shares, 2.46 percent, owned by the Trust Fund of the W. R. Grace & Co. Retirement Plans.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 20, 1990 through Sept. 27, 1990, W.R. Grace & Co. purchased 96,500 shares at a price of $9.13 to $9.88 per share.

-30- 644
#90275c0446 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,743,014 SHARES (15.44%) OF BHC COMMUNICATIONS INC (TICKER: BHC) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 1, 1990 through Sept. 28, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 74,455 shares at a price of $40.86 to $46.63 per share and sold 21,420 shares at a price of $41 to $45.25 per share.

-30- 566
#90275c0447 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

J.C. BENUN OF RAHWAY, NJ OWNS 1,922,496 SHARES (45.21%) OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP (TICKER: LENS) OF RAHWAY, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 240,032 shares that were acquired from Roland Walter Kohl pursuant to an agreement described in a 13D statement filed June 22, 1988. Benun has received a demand from Mr. Kohl for the return of 40,005 of such shares on the grounds that Benun has failed to pay for them. Benun denies the existence of further obligations to Mr. Kohl with respect to such shares and has asserted that Mr. Kohl has no claim to or interest in the same.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 6, 1990 through Aug. 21, 1990, J.C. Benun sold 54,000 shares at a price of $4.25 to $5 per share.

-30- 944
#90275c0448 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

HELM RESOURCES INC OF GREENWICH, CT OWNS 2,236,405 SHARES (73.40%) OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 602,229 shares held by Helm Investment Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Helm Resources Inc. The funds to purchase the 66,689 shares came from available capital of the subsidiary.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 27, 1990 through Sept. 25, 1990, Helm Resources Inc. purchased 66,689 shares at a price of $1.34 to $1.52 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 736
#90275c0449 10/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY PIER ONE IMPORTS OF FT WORTH, TX OWNS 1,891,896 SHARES (50.40%) OF SUNBELT NURSERY GROUP INC (TICKER: SBN) OF FT WORTH, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 2, 1990 Sun Acquisition offered to purchase the outstanding shares of Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. at $12 per share.

PURPOSE:

Tender offer.

-30- 525
#90275d0060 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) - President George Bush welcomed the commander of the Soviet armed forces to the White House Tuesday, and praised bilateral military contacts that have increased with the warming of superpower ties.

General Mikhail Moiseyev Monday visited the Defense Department, where he was received with military honors at the start of a one-week U.S. visit.

"I strongly support these military-to-military contacts," Mr. Bush told his Soviet guest. "President (Mikhail) Gorbachev has been very generous in that respect and we want to show you that you're very welcome here in the United States."

Gen. Moiseyev, who was accompanied by the chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Colin Powell, passed on the Soviet leader's best wishes to Mr. Bush.

"We cherish what is uniting our two nations today and we fully understand the contribution you both made to the improvement of our ties," Gen. Moiseyev said.

During his stay the general is to visit U.S. Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps units in several states.

Before traveling here, Gen. Moiseyev said he hoped his visit would lead to military cooperation projects between the United States and the Soviet Union.

U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney is scheduled to visit the Soviet Union this month.

-30- 1485

#90275d0080 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (OCT. 2) - Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda announced Tuesday that a bill to amend Zambia's constitution to allow opposition parties will be put to parliament early in November.

But he rejected calls by the Movement for Multi-party Democracy (MMD) for an interim government to supervise multi-party elections due next year.

President Kaunda told the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) in an interview that he planned to ask parliament to repeal Article-4 of the constitution which makes his United National Independence Party (UNIP) the only legal political party.

''Parliament meets early next month. It fits in very well if we give notice -- this week or early next week -- it will be in time for parliament to repeal that article'', he said.

Mr. Kaunda said the MMD, which has said it intends to form an opposition party will ''have to be patient'' until the constitution is changed.

He said it was ''absolute rubbish'' that UNIP could not supervise free and fair elections. ''There is no question of UNIP surrendering its authority,'' he said when asked about an interim government.

''UNIP is fully in control...I will not succumb to such political idiocy,'' he added.

UNIP would win the election since the opposition was a ''political non-entity'', he said. If violence followed he would put the question of returning to a one-party state back to the people.

-30- 1609
#90275d0230 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT 2) - The parliament of the Russian Federation, the largest Soviet republic, on Tuesday postponed issuing an appeal to citizens to help the government implement radical economic reforms, notably by agreeing not to go on strike.

The parliament had voted to go ahead with the move in principle in the morning and a final text of the appeal was expected before the end of the day.

But the commission working on the final text then proposed delaying the appeal until next Tuesday, when Russian Federation Prime Minister Ivan Sialyev is due to make a major speech on the economic situation.

The final text of the appeal could be altered in light of the speech, deputies said, and the parliament therefore delayed a decision until then.

The text adopted in principle Tuesday morning urged Russian Federation residents to help the government implement its crash programme to move from a planned to a market economy in 500 days.

It called for "500 days of hard work, 500 days of strict adherence to contracts, 500 days without strikes, 500 days of social agreement."

The Russian Federation parliament had already decided Monday to postpone implementation of the reforms, due to begin that day, for a month to November 1 in the face of the Soviet parliament's failure to reach agreement on a nationwide economic reform package.

The Soviet parliament has been presented with a radical plan supported by President Mikhail Gorbachev and a far more moderate package from the government of Nikolai Ryzhkov.

The government has threatened to resign if forced to implement a package it does not support, and a further attempt at a compromise package is due to be presented later this month.

-30- 1901
#90275d0360 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ANKARA (OCT 2) - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu will hold talks with Turkish leaders on the Gulf crisis when he visits Turkey Thursday as part of the first Middle East tour by a Japanese premier in 12 years.

Turkey is the third country on Mr. Kaifu's itinerary after Egypt and Jordan. He will go on from here Friday to Saudi Arabia and Oman.

The tour, initially scheduled for August 16, was delayed after Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

Japanese diplomatic sources here said Mr. Kaifu, who is to meet with President Turgut Ozal and Prime Minister Yildirim Akbulut, hopes for an "exchange of views" on how the two countries can cooperate in "finding a solution" to the "unstable situation" in the region.

Japan, which established diplomatic ties 100 years ago with what was then Turkey of the Ottoman Empire, also wants to "open a new page in bilateral relations" already flourishing on the economic level.

Mr. Kaifu is expected to reaffirm Tokyo's readiness to help Turkey and Jordan, which share a border with Iraq and occupied Kuwait, as well as Egypt.

Tokyo says the two billion dollars' aid it proposes giving the three states amounts to one-fifth of estimated Japanese losses caused by the embargo of Iraq.

Out of that sum, 600 million dollars is expected to be divided among the three countries in the form of an open credit at one per cent over 30 years, with a 10-year grace period, according to figures provided by the Japanese Embassy here.

The remaining 1.4 billion dollars would be in the form of investments to be studied with governments of the three states.

Japan is to spend another two billion dollars supporting multinational forces deployed in the Gulf and has earmarked 22 million dollars to assist refugees through the United Nations and International Migration Organization, plus 98 million dollars for Jordan in material aid.

Mr. Kaifu will be accompanied by a large economic delegation. The Japanese businesmen will hold parallel talks with Turkish counterparts who hope to use Japan as a future bridge for developing trade with Southeast Asia, should Turkey be refused membership in the European Economic Community (EEC) in 1993.

-30- 2415

#90275d0410 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ERFURT, East Germany (OCT 2) - West German Economy Minister Helmut Haussmann, whose portfolio will cover all Germany from Wednesday, said Tuesday he would sack the communist-installed bosses of East German state-owned industries.

"Pressure is mounting from employees" to get rid of the bosses installed by the former communist government, and they would be asked to go "in the coming weeks", Mr. Haussmann told journalists in Erfurt.

The minister also confirmed that the East German state holding Treuhandanstalt which covered the estimated 8,000 East German enterprises would be regionalised to adapt it to the future make-up of what is now East Germany.

The territory of East Germany will become five new federal German states following local elections on October 14.

-30- 977

#90275d0420 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 3) - The overall year-on-year Philippine inflation rate held at a steady 11 percent in September despite a sharp increase in Manila, the National Statistics Office said here Wednesday.

The Manila inflation rate rose to 16.7 percent last month from 15.4 percent in the previous month, but the national inflation rate actually dipped to 11.0 percent from 11.1 percent in August, spokesmen said.

They described the Manila rate, the highest since August 1989, as anticipatory in nature with businessmen raising prices even before the government hiked domestic fuel prices by 29 percent last month.

-30- 791

#90275d0490 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (OCT 2) - South Africa's discriminatory land laws keeping 87 percent of the country in the hands of whites will be repealed during next year's parliamentary session, President Frederik De Klerk said here Tuesday.

Adressing a press conference at the end of a meeting with leaders of South Africa's six tribal homelands, Mr. De Klerk said that "land ownership will be available to all South Africans irrespective of race or colour."

But he reassured white South Africans that he had no intention "of taking any land away from anybody" who legally owned it.

A joint statement after the meeting recommended "transitional arrangements" allowing individual blacks to buy what has been tribal or communal land.

The statement also recommended removing racial bars to state funds for buying land, but Mr. De Klerk told journalists no more money could be made available in the current financial year.

The land laws, passed in 1913 and 1936, are considered one of the pillars of the apartheid system.

Mr. De Klerk has already announced that the Group Areas Act (GAA), dividing

residential areas along racial lines, would be repealed during the next parliamentary session, which starts in February.

The only remaining apartheid law will then be the Population Registration Act, which classifies people at birth according to their race and is considered the real cornerstone of apartheid.

-30- 1616

#90275d0500 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (OCT 2) - Syrian Foreign Minister Faruk al-Sharaa said Tuesday the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait had caused ''grave damage'' to the Iraqi people and harmed the Arab nation as a whole as well as the Palestinian cause.

Speaking before the United Nations General Assembly, al-Sharaa said hiding behind slogans about Islam, Pan-Arabism and the distribution of oil wealth would not deceive the people of Iraq or reduce their sufferings.

''Arabs and Moslems know quite well that in the name of Pan-Arabism, Islamic Iran was attacked and under the slogan of Islam and Jihad, the Arab Kuwait was occupied,'' al-Sharaa said.

Although Iraq is one of the rich oil states, ''the entire Arab wealth will not be sufficient to pay the cost of its irresponsible policies'', the Syrian official said.

Turning to the question of Lebanon, al-Sharaa said that ''Syria is committed to support the Lebanese legitimate authority and to help it implement the necessary measures to extend the authority of the Lebanese state all over the Lebanese land''.

Al-Sharaa called for the implementation of Security Council resolution 425 of 1978 which demands the ''unconditional Israeli withdrawal from the Lebanese land,'' al-Sharaa said.

-30- 1414

#90275d0870 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (OCT 2) - Ivory Coast President Felix Houphouet-Boigny's proposal to create a new post of prime minister if he wins presidential elections here, has been welcomed by the main opposition parties.

At the same time the opposition is betraying unease at having some ground cut from under its electoral platform against 33 years of virtual one-man rule by the 85-year-old president, observers said.

The president, who legalised opposition parties in April after leading a one-party state since independence in 1960, made the proposal at the opening

Monday at Yamoussoukro of a week-long congress of his ruling Ivory Coast Democratic Party (PDCI).

He also proposed that control of the PDCI be decentralised and made more democratic with an elected secretary general.

Secretary general of the opposition Social Democratic Union (USD) Bernard Zadi Zaourou told Agence France-Presse that the president's proposals were in line with opposition demands.

But he added significantly, "We acknowledge the political experience of the head of state. We have never underestimated his cleverness."

A major plank of the opposition campaign against the president has been strong criticism of his position as leader of both party and state.

Mr. Zaourou stressed that the president, who also proposed Monday that the head of state would remain "above all parties" continued to back a presidential regime, while the USD wants a parliamentary system.

-30- 1656
#90275d0950 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (OCT 2) - Energy prospects in the Middle East are at the mercy of events and speculators but need not panic, experts said here Tuesday.

"This time, the increase in price is due to speculation," said Marcello Colitti, energy adviser to the Italian oil conglomorate ENI at the start of a three-day conference entitled "Middle East Strategy to the Year 2003."

He was contrasting the current Gulf tension sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait with previous energy crises -- notably after the 1973 Arab-Israeli war, the Iranian revolution of 1979 and the slump hitting oil markets in 1985.

"If we go to war, it will last more than five days and will be far more destructive," he said of the multinational troop buildup in the region to protect Saudi Arabia and other Gulf states from an Iraqi attack.

But he dismissed reports that oil prices could reach 100 dollars per barrel. While not discounting further rises, particularly if war broke out, he insisted that high figures were put out by speculators "to scare people."

Former Saudi Arabian Oil Minister Ahmad Zaki Yamani said last week that oil prices would exceed 100 dollars per barrel if Saudi oil fields came under attack.

"I disagree with Mr. Yamani's assessment," said a Japanese oil executive who

declined to be identified. "I think it will go up by 10 dollars, and certainly not more than 20 from the current price."

Oil futures in New York fell Tuesday with West Texas Intermediate crude off 1.29 dollars to 35.80 dollars.

The drop reflected a market reaction to U.S. President George Bush's speech Monday at the United Nations General Assembly, in which he blasted the Iraqi invasion but seemed to be calling for a diplomatic solution to the crisis.

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#90275d1160 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 2) - French President Francois Mitterrand on Tuesday reshuffled his government, notably moving Agriculture Minister Henri Nallet to the justice ministry, and replacing European Affairs Minister Edith Cresson, a presidential spokesman announced.

Mr. Nallet was replaced by Louis Mermaz, 59, a long-time Mitterrand associate who currently heads the Socialist group of parliamentary deputies.

Observers noted that as Mr. Nallet was moved to another ministry, his transfer could not be interpreted as a sanction for failing to end violent protests by French farmers over falling meat prices.

The transfer looked more like a bid to defuse the farmers' anger.

Presidential spokesman Jean-Louis Bianco said Mr. Nallet would replace Justice Minister Pierre Arpaillange, 66, who like the agriculture minister had served for the last two years in the Socialist government of Prime Minister Michel Rocard.

Mr. Arpaillange's departure from the government had been expected.

Mrs. Cresson, a former agriculture and foreign trade minister, is replaced by Elizabeth Guigou, 44, an adviser to Mr. Mitterrand.

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NEW YORK (OCT 2) - The European Economic Community (EEC) announced Tuesday its members would provide 1.5 billion European Currency Units (ECU) (two billion dollars) in aid to Egypt, Jordan and Turkey to help them cover economic losses linked to the Gulf crisis.

The foreign ministers of the 12 EEC member countries met briefly Monday night to discuss the matter while they were in New York to attend a meeting of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe. The decision was announced

in a communique released Tuesday.

The two billion dollar figure represents 1.5 billion dollars that individual members have said they would contribute to the so-called front-line states and another 500 million dollars they would contribute as a group.

Egypt, Jordan and Turkey have sustained serious economic hardships as a result of the United Nations-mandated embargo against Iraq and Iraqi-held Kuwait.

Turkey lost revenue when it shutdown an Iraqi oil pipeline through its territory, Jordan has been burdened by tens of thousands of refugees and Egypt has incurred the costs of keeping troops in Saudi Arabia to deter further Iraqi aggression.

The EEC was also looking into the possibility of joining the assistance efforts of other nations, in particular Arab countries, that have been affected by Gulf crisis, diplomats said.

But there were differences last week between the EEC and the six-member Gulf Cooperation Council over aid to Jordan, European diplomatic sources said. Some GCC members, like Saudi Arabia, had opposed aiding Jordan because of what they viewed as its pro-Iraq stance in the Gulf crisis, the sources said.

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BELGRADE (OCT 2) - Yugoslavia's state presidium on Tuesday annulled last week's decision by the parliament of the Slovenian Republic to take over responsibility for its own territorial defense force.

The presidium, comprising representatives from Yugoslavia's six republics and two autonomous provinces, is the country's highest political authority. The reason for its controversial decision was Slovenia's ''destruction of the unity of Yugoslavian armed forces''.

''The Presidium will not tolerate a direct threat to the constitution and integrity of Yugoslavia,'' it said.

The Slovenian representative voted against the measure. The Croatian member was absent. The defence ministry was instructed to implement the presidium's decision. It was not clear whether force would be used. The Slovenian territorials are a form of militia.

Slovenia has long sought full sovereignty. Several months ago, it revised its constitution, which now clashes with federal law. Both Slovenia and Croatia want to turn Yugoslav into a confederation of sovereign states.

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#90275d1330 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT 2) - The chairman of the Federation of Bankers' Association here Tuesday called on the central Bank of Japan to be careful in taking measures to prop up falling stock prices.

Taizo Hashida, who is also Fuji Bank president, told reporters that the central bank may not have to change immediately its basic monetary policy as regards its tight credit stance.

He said that recent declines in stocks have had a strong adverse impact on Japanese banks, undermining their efforts to meet the international reserve recommendations set by the Bank of International Settlements (BIS).

The financial environment was tough, he said, and banks here can only cope with BIS requirements of eight percent of assets by either further curbing their own capital or curbing the growth in monetary assets.

Share prices on the Tokyo market had lost more than 48 percent of their value since the beginning of the year until Monday, while interest rates had also climbed steadily.

The Nikkei Average plunged to a 43-month low Monday, prompting the finance ministry to announce that it would ease rules on stock margin and index-future and option trading as a means to prevent stock prices from falling further.

The Nikkei soared 13.2 percent, or 2,676.55 yen, for the largest single day rise in history Tuesday.

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OTTAWA (OCT 2) - Canada will host a meeting of foreign ministers from the six-member Association of Southeast Asian Nations beginning Thursday in a bid to boost Canada's ties with the fast-growing region, it was announced Tuesday.

The four-day meeting will be held in Calgary and Jasper, in the western province of Alberta. It will be attended by the foreign ministers of Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand and be hosted by Joe Clark, Canada's secretary of state for external affairs.

Foreign ministry officials here described the meetings as a unique initiative destined to build Canada's relations with ASEAN countries.

Bilateral trade between Canada and ASEAN countries has doubled since 1986 to reach nearly three billion dollars this year.

In addition to exploring ways of increasing cooperation between Canada and

ASEAN, the participants are expected to address global issues such as the crisis in the Gulf, East-West relations and refugee problems, officials said.

There will be a number of workshops and conferences held simultaneously in Calgary to encourage closer business and academic contacts between Canada and ASEAN.

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NEW YORK (OCT 2) - Italian Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis said here Tuesday that the European Economic Community (EEC) was in full agreement with remarks on the Gulf crisis made by U.S. President George Bush at the United Nations Monday.

Speaking in his capacity as current chairman of the EEC council of ministers, he added that he did not see the remarks as marking a softening of the U.S. stance on the Iraqi takeover of Kuwait.

Mr. de Michelis is attending a ministerial meeting here of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, a forum grouping 33 European nations plus the United States and Canada.

In his speech to the U.N. General Assembly, Mr. Bush said an unconditional Iraqi troop withdrawal from Kuwait, might create "opportunities for Iraq and Kuwait to settle their differences permanently, for the states of the Gulf themselves to build new arrangements for stability and for all states and peoples of the region to settle the conflict that divides Arabs from Israel."

"I don't consider the position of President Bush yesterday more flexible. It has been the position of the United States and the (other) Western states from the beginning of the crisis," Mr. de Michelis told a press conference.

"We cannot accept (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein's attempt to link" the current Gulf crisis and other Middle East problems such as the Palestinian issue and Lebanon.

"We have always stated the fact that there are (other) problems in the region " the Italian minister said. He also said Italy "will participate in any decision taken by the United Nations" regarding the Gulf crisis. He was responding to a question as to whether his country would be prepared to join a military operation against Iraq ordered by the U.N.

He added that the EEC was prepared to study the needs of East European countries being adversely affected by the imposition of U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq.

The EEC has pledged financial aid to Jordan, Egypt and Turkey, the three

countries hit hardest by the fallout of the sanctions,

"We are ready to do something also for other countries within an international framework," the Italian minister said, citing Morocco, Lebanon, Djibouti, Pakistan, Bangladesh and India.

The EEC announced Tuesday, on the sidelines of the CSCE ministerial session, that he would earmark nearly two billion dollars in aid to Egypt, Jordan and Turkey.

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#90275d1650 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 2) - U.S. warships diverted a West German-flagged container ship heading to the Gulf of Aqaba Saturday but allowed it to set sail again Tuesday after it docked in Port Suez, the Defense Department said.

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said the Red Sea Ensign, apparently headed for the Jordanian port of Aqaba, was diverted after a U.S. boarding team found that the ship's cargo did not match its manifest.

The vessel docked in Egypt's Port Suez, apparently to straighten out its documentation, and was boarded again Tuesday by a U.S. Navy team that allowed it to continue toward the Gulf of Aqaba.

Saturday's incident took place in the northern Red Sea, just below the Gulf of Aqaba, Mr. Williams said.

He said the ship was carrying food -- mainly apples and rice.

Mr. Williams told reporters about 1,630 naval interceptions had been performed by the international task force enforcing the U.N. economic embargo against Iraq.

He said 158 ships had been boarded, 130 of them by U.S. forces, and that seven vessels had been diverted in the international campaign aimed at forcing Iraq to withdraw its troops from Kuwait.

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#90275d1800 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 2) - The United States announced Wednesday that Chile will be brought back into the Overseas Private Investment Corporation to bolster investments that had stagnated in Chile under the past military regime.

President George Bush announced Chile's inclusion into the corporation during a meeting with Chilean President Patricio Aylwin at the White House.

Mr. Bush confirmed Tuesday that he would visit Santiago on December 6 as part of his swing through South America that will also take him to Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay and Venezuela.

The two countries signed Monday another agreement creating the Bilateral Council that is aimed at spurring investments in Chile and setting up a free-trade zone there.

The Overseas Private Investment Corporation will help stimulate investment in the South American country by guaranteeing loans and credits.

Under those terms, Chile in the short term could attract 100 million dollars in investments to promote production and export of agricultural products, Chilean sources said.

Renewed interest in investments in Chile comes after after Mr. Aylwin won a landslide victory last year in the country's first democratic elections since General August Pinochet seized power in a 1973 military coup.

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#90275d1820 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (OCT 2) - Seven people were arrested and a policeman was slightly injured Tuesday, Berlin police said, as tens of thousands of Berliners gathered to mark German unification.

The policeman received a minor knife wound in the arm as he was checking the identity of a demonstrator protesting unification, police said.

Seven people were arrested in the city centre carrying starting pistols and firework rockets, they said.

A spokesman said that small groups of anarchists, as well as a number of right-wing extremists, had been spotted ahead of the midnight ceremonies of unification.

Thousands of police were deployed in Berlin to prevent clashes between the two groups. Neo-nazi groups have flourished in East Germany's economic crisis.

Earlier Tuesday, police arrested and later released several protestors who climbed on Berlin's Victory Column, near the Brandenburg Gate, to protest unification as a takeover by West Germany.

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#90275d1920 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (OCT 2) - Jordan lifted Tuesday a ban imposed a day earlier on Saudi-bound trucks crossing its territory, a senior Jordanian official said.

Director general of the customs department Mehdi Farhan told the official PETRA news agency the decision followed several diplomatic contacts and a telephone conversation between Prime Minister Moudar Badran and Syrian counterpart Mahmoud al-Zohbi.

Authoritative sources said the ban was in retaliation for harrassment of Jordanian truckers at the Saudi border.

The decision affected all heavy-duty trucks transporting goods for Saudi Arabia and the Gulf states from Turkey by way of Syria. Jordan is on the route for the transport of goods from Europe to Saudi Arabia.

Saudi Arabia decided September 19 to halt oil deliveries to Jordan and later expelled the Jordanian military attache and asked for a reduction of the Jordanian embassy staff in Riyadh.

Jordan responded by recalling its ambassador.

Amman has been subjected to punitive measures by Riyadh for its support of Baghdad in the wake of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

On Sunday, authorities turned back at the border with Saudi Arabia 25 Jordanian refrigerated trucks carrying mostly vegetables to the Gulf.

A truckers' association said only 10 per cent of the 1,000-vehicle national fleet which served Saudi Arabia and the other Gulf states have been allowed to cross the border since the start of the Gulf crisis.

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#90275d7260 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 2) - South Korea plans to offer Moscow a 2.5-billion-dollar credit line while encouraging its industry to undertake developments and other investments in the Soviet Union now that the two countries have established formal ties, press reports quoting officials said here Tuesday.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and his South Korean counterpart Choi Ho-Joong signed a joint communique at the United Nations headquarters in New York announcing the establishment of diplomatic relations on ambassadorial level from September 30.

The reports said that the 2.5-billion-dollar credit to be offered for the next five years will allow Moscow to import South Korean products on a deferred payment basis, and to allow South Korean firms to set up factories for such consumer goods as soap and footwear in the Soviet Union.

Bilateral trade volume increased from 290 million dollars in 1988 to 600

million dollars in 1989, and the figure is expected to top one billion dollars this year and rapidly expand to 10 billion dollars within four to five years, officials were quoted as saying.

South Korea mainly exported fibre products, machinery, electronic goods, footwear and ships, and imported from the Soviet Union coal, iron, agricultural and fishery products and cotton.

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#90275d7390 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 2) - Japan will tighten quarantine checks on imported foods in order to keep out products tainted by farm chemicals, a health and welfare ministry official said Tuesday.

Under the decision, the ministry will double the number of food inspectors from 99 to 200 in the next three years, and expand random sampling on meat, seafood and other imported food.

The ministry will set up food inspection centers at quarantine stations in Japan's two major ports of Yokohama and Kobe for tighter checks on imported foods for residual agricultural chemicals and antibacterial substances.

Japanese consumer groups have been demanding stricter checks on imported foods as various farm chemicals were found in imported farm products, including "2,4-D," a defoliant that was used during the Vietnam war.

In September, the 13.5-million member Japan Consumers' Cooperative stopped importing lemons from the United States after discovering anti-mould agricultural chemicals.

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#90275d7540 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MEXICO CITY (OCT. 2) - More Japanese investors might install assembly plants in Mexico for export to the United States if Mexico and the United States reach a free trade agreement, the president of the Export Import Bank of Japan said here.

"The new Japanese commercial strategy is to export from producing plants in third countries, so a free trade agreement would be an encouragement for establishing more of those plants in Mexico," Mitsuhide Yamaguchi, the bank's president said Monday.

Foreign owned assembly plants here take advantage of Mexico's low labor costs to assemble and re-export goods to the United States without having to pay Mexican taxes.

The governments of Mexico and the United States opened negotiations for a free trade agreement August 8 in Washington.

Mr. Yamaguchi Monday began a three-day visit to Mexico that is to include a meeting with Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari, Finance Minister Pedro Aspe and other Mexican officials.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) - Government bank regulators have announced a new policy extending deposit insurance to 300 billion dollars kept in overseas branches of U.S. banks, the Washington Post reported Tuesday.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC), in a letter written last week by Paul Fritts, director of supervision, stated explicitly what previously had been an informal policy of insuring offshore deposits, the Post said.

The new coverage is not authorized by law and banks do not pay for the insurance.

The action has already split the banking industry and sparked criticism from Congress, the paper said.

The FDIC said the strategy was necessary to protect the competitive position of the nation's big banks, which have huge operations in world financial centers like London and Tokyo, the paper said.

According to the FDIC, the nine largest U.S. banks have 51 percent of their deposits in offshore branches, the Post said.

Most other nations' governments have promised to stand behind banks and protect depositors when banks fail, according to the report.

Mr. Fritts detailed the FDIC position in explaining why the agency had bailed out depositors who had 37 million dollars in accounts in a Nassau branch of National Bank of Washington (NBW) which was taken over recently by Riggs National Bank.

Congress already has hatched two competing plans to change the way overseas accounts are handled, the Post said.

One solution, favored by the American Bankers Association, forbids the FDIC from protecting offshore depositors.

The Independent Bankers Association of America backs an alternative plan that would require banks to pay for deposit insurance on their overseas deposits.

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#90275d7600 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Berlin (OCT. 2) - The three Western Allied commanders of West Berlin signed document here Tuesday formally notifying West Berlin Mayor Walter Momper that their duties have been fulfilled -effectively relinquishing 45 years of military control.

Generals Raymond Haddock of the United States, Robert Corbett of Britain and Francois Cann of France signed the document in a final meeting of Allied military command at their headquarters in the Kaiserswerther Strasse in the Dahlem section of West Berlin.

The move was mandated by last months Two-plus-Four agreement in Moscow which granted sovereignty to unified Germany as of October 3. In keeping with that timetable, the Allied commanders notified Momper their duties would end at midnight Tuesday.

In their written notification, the generals said the 45-year presence of Allied forces in West Berlin had served as a constant reminder of the Western Allies' commitment to preserving liberty, democraty and the right of self-determination at any price.

General Corbett, recalling that the Allied command commenced on July 11, 1945, said he was pleased to be able to report that the relaxation in East-West tensions had brought the long command to a successful conclusion.

The Allied command structure was outlined in the London agreement of September 12, 1944, which spelled out the occupation and administration of the German capital. The Soviets walked out of the command setup shortly before the Berlin blockade on August 13, 1948. Under revised terms of command dating from May 5, 1955, the Western Allies restricted their duties to supervision of security and air traffic, handing over the day-to-day operation of West Berlin to city officials.

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BAGHDAD (OCT. 2) - Tens of thousands of Iraqi schoolchildren staged a demonstration outside the U.S. Embassy here Tuesday to denounce U.S. intervention in the Gulf and the trade embargo on Baghdad, correspondents said.

The children, returning to classes Tuesday, shouted slogans against U.S. President George Bush during the three-hour gathering. "We love Saddam," they cried, referring to President Saddam Hussein, and, "Yes to Peace, No to War."

Education Minister Abdel Qader Ezzedin has said almost five million pupils were to attend school in this academic year, or around 27 percent of the

country's population.

The United States has sent some 143,000 ground troops to Saudi Arabia and dramatically bolstered its naval presence in the Gulf area following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

In addition, Washington has spearheaded a campaign at the United Nations to isolate Iraq through a series of tough Security Council sanctions.

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LAGOS (OCT. 2) - Burkinabe President Blaise Compaore has admitted that the rebel leader of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL), Charles Taylor once lived in Ouagadougou, President Ibrahim Babangida disclosed in an interview.

He gave no further details.

In an interview with West Africa magazine published this week, President Babangida said that his government had tried to appeal to "those we think may have influence on either Taylor or two countries we think are providing support for him that negotiations are much better than war".

During a visit to Nigeria last month, the U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, Herman Cohen, had talks with the government on the issue. A similar appeal, he said, was also made to the French authorities to use their influence on the Burkinabe leader.

Following Gambian President Dawda Jawara's recent visit to Burkina Faso, President Compaore gave "absolute assurance" that he would prevail on Mr. Taylor to accept negotiations, the Nigerian leader told the weekly magazine.

The presence in Monrovia of the West African peace-making force ECOMOG, made up of troops from Nigeria, Ghana, Sierra Leone, Gambia and Guinea, has, to "a certain extent", ensured the safety of lives, property and institutions, he also said.

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NEW DELHI (OCT. 2) - Indian police opened fire on students protesting a government job quota scheme in the Indian capital Tuesday, leaving a number of people dead or injured, police and witnesses said.

The firing occurred when a crowd of students who had attended a rally of some 200,000 people to protest the government scheme converged on a small contingent of police at India Gate and pelted them with stones and rocks, the

witnesses said.

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#90275d7820 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 2) - Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi has turned down an invitation to attend an African National Congress (ANC) conference on communal violence, the South African liberation movement said Tuesday.

The meeting between the ANC and leaders of six of the country's 10 tribal homelands - the four nominally independent homelands were specifically excluded - was to have taken place Friday, October 5.

The invitation was extended to Buthelezi in response to fighting between supporters of his Inkatha Freedom Party (IFP) and ANC followers which claimed up to 800 lives in August and September this year in townships around Johannesburg.

Buthelezi originally acknowledged the invitation but expressed concern that he had been invited in his capacity as Chief Minister of the KwaZulu homeland, and not as president of Inkatha.

The meeting would have brought him face-to-face with ANC deputy President Nelson Mandela.

Buthelezi has often criticised the de facto ANC leader for refusing to meet him to discuss a power struggle between the two organisations in the eastern Natal province in which 4,000 people have been killed in four years.

An Inkatha spokesman said Buthelezi was in Geneva, Switzerland, to attend the World Economic Forum conference on southern Africa and was therefore unavailable for comment.

He was expected back in South Africa next week.

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#90275d7870 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Manama (OCT. 2) - Jordan's ban on trucks crossing its territory into Saudi Arabia and other Gulf states has resulted in dramatic food price hikes in some Gulf countries, according to reports Tuesday.

Prices for vegetables and fruit soared in the United Arab Emirates, and skyrocketed by up to 500 percent in Dubai, said reports in regional newspapers.

Prices remained stable in Bahrain and were not expected to rise appreciably over the short run due to adequate supplies, according to a government spokesman in Manama.

Jordan slapped the truck blockade on through-traffic Monday in retaliation against Saudi Arabia's earlier decision to ban Jordanian trucks from carrying goods across the kingdom to Gulf states.

The decision by Saudi Arabia to ban Jordanian land exports to the Gulf was the latest in Saudi measures that have soured relations between the two countries since the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Riyadh punished Jordan for failing to support its policies and for its opposition to the deployment of foreign forces in the Gulf by expelling Jordanian diplomats last week and cutting off of Saudi oil supplies to Jordan which amounted to half the country's oil needs.

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DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 2) - A man was killed when a bomb delivered in a computer case exploded Tuesday at the offices of South African anti-apartheid campaigner Tam Alexander here, police said.

The bomb exploded when Nic Cruise, an associate of Mr. Alexander, opened the case soon after it had been delivered in mid-morning. Mr. Cruise was killed instantly.

It is believed the bomb was aimed by rightwingers at Mr. Alexander, who is a member of the black nationalist African National Congress (ANC).

Mr. Alexander has played a leading role in trying to persuade whites not to serve in what the ANC describes as the "racist" South African army. His offices are situated in the residential suburb of Berea.

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#90275d7990 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 2) - West German industrial production fell slightly, by 0.5 percent, from July to August, but for those two months combined, German output was 5.3 percent higher than the July-August 1989 period, Bonn reported Tuesday.

The Economics Ministry said that August performance was mixed. While construction in the month fell 7.5 percent compared to July, mining increased by 4.5 percent and food and luxury items output, spurred by demand from East Germany, was up 5.5 percent.

In comparing July-August 1990 to the same two months a year earlier, the ministry said manufacturing was six percent higher.

Food and luxury items production was 17 percent higher in July-August over

levels a year earlier. Investment goods (plus 6.1 percent) and consumer goods (plus 6.5 percent) were also robust.

Construction in July-August was 2.3 percent higher than in the same two months of 1989, the ministry said.

But two other sectors comprising the overall industrial output picture showed only moderate growth and decline, the ministry pointed out. The electricity and gas industry showed only 0.3 percent growth in July-August compared to a year earlier, while mining output declined by 2.3 percent.

In a separate report, the German Construction Industry Association said Tuesday that new housing orders in July were 22.4 percent higher than in July 1989, but that public-sector building contracts had fallen by 3.4 percent.

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#90275d8010 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MARCH AIR FORCE BASE, CALIFORNIA (OCT. 2) - Retired U.S. Air Force General Curtis LeMay, who issued the order to drop atomic bombs on Japan at the end of World War II, has died. He was 83.

Gen. LeMay died Monday of a heart attack at the 22nd Strategic Hospital at March Air Force Base, east of Los Angeles, a hospital spokesman said.

The former four-star general said in 1985 that the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki had not been necessary to force Japan's surrender.

"We felt that our incendiary bombings had been so successful that Japan would collapse before we invaded," he said.

The United States could have defeated Japan in "a few more days" if it had continued firebombing Japanese cities, he said, but then-president Harry Truman "told me to do it (drop the atomic bombs)."

During World War II in Europe, Gen. LeMay was instrumental in pressing the daylight bombing offensive against the Nazis.

His wartime strategies earned him recognition as the father of strategic bombing.

After the war, he was given command of the U.S. Air Force in Europe. He directed the airlift that kept West Berlin supplied after the Soviet Union cut off ground access to the city's western sector in 1948.

From 1948 to 1957 he was commanding general of the Strategic Air Command, and is widely credited with having transformed the largely demobilized air arm into a global strike force that could deliver nuclear weapons anywhere, at any

time.

He was promoted to full general while at the Strategic Air Command. After leaving that post, he became vice chief of the Air Force. Then-president John Kennedy named him chief of staff.

After he retired in 1965, Gen. LeMay grew angry and frustrated at Robert McNamara, the defense secretary under Mr. Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson.

He particularly disagreed with Mr. McNamara's restraints on U.S. air power during the Vietnam war.

Referring to North Vietnam, Gen. LeMay was quoted as saying, "They have got to draw in their horns and stop their aggression, or we are going to bomb them back into the Stone Age."

He later denied the statements, but said he saw nothing wrong with using nuclear weapons to shorten any war.

He ran for vice president in 1968 as George Wallace's running mate.

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TOKYO (OCT. 2) - Sony Corp., a leading Japanese consumer electronics maker, said Tuesday it was negotiating with Apple Computer Inc. of the United States on possible joint production of notebook-type personal computers.

But Sony officials said no agreement had been reached yet.

They said the negotiations followed Apple's request for Sony's cooperation in Apple's plan to produce a notebook version of the Macintosh computer.

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#90275d8070 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOULOUSE (OCT. 2) - Airbus Industries, the West European airplane consortium, plans double its production from current levels by 1995, when output will reach 21 planes per month, the company said Tuesday.

Airbus Industries said here that monthly production by 1995 would be comprised of four A300A310 planes, seven A330A340 planes and ten A320A321 aircraft.

The company said the partner firms from France, Britain, West Germany and Spain had made the investment commitments to achieve the higher production volume in order to meet increasing demand.

Airbus Industries said that the production decline of early 1990 caused by

strikes could be evened out during the course of 1991. It expects to deliver its 1000th Airbus plane in 1992 and its 1,500th plane in 1995.

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#90275d8080 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 2) - Malaysian Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad told ethnic-Chinese family-owned businesses Tuesday that they risked folding unless they were willing to expand and diversify by tapping the capital markets.

"There are many companies which are doing well enough to qualify for listing but are not keen because the owners of many of these family-owned businesses are afraid to lose control," Dr. Mahathir told a business convention.

He said that the Kuala Lumpur Stock Exhange's (KLSE) second board, launched two years ago to enable small companies with strong potential to tap the capital markets, listed only 10 companies.

The KLSE second board is open to companies with a paid-up capital of between five million and 20 million dollars (1.85 to 7.4 million U.S.) and a track record of at least two years with reasonable profit.

"If companies and enterprises are to survive their founders, they must be turned into public limited companies and have professional management," Dr. Mahathir said.

"Chinese family companies which prospered during the lifetime of their founders have all disappeared. The same will happen to the present family companies unless they convert to public limited companies," he said.

KLSE executive chairman Nik Mohamed Din Yusoff said that the lack of interest in the second board was not because of any stringent listing requirements.

"There is no feedback to say that they are not listing because of the requirements. It's just that there is no interest," he said.

Mr. Din said that small family-owned businesses did not want to diversify and did not want to be the target of any takeover.

"I've said that if you don't want to be the subject of a takeover, you don't have to float all your shares. You just have to float 30 or 40 per cent. In the event of a takeover bid, if you don't sell there can be no takeover," he said.

Mr. Din said that the KLSE was prepared to review listing requirements for the second board if they were thought too stringent.

He said that the KLSE, which currently lists 269 counters on its first and second boards, hoped to raise the number of companies listed to 300.

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TOKYO (OCT. 2) - Japanese economists may fret over the long-term effects of the stock market's volatility, but the most serious problem of the day is the continuing labor shortage.

As Japan enters its 47th consecutive month of economic growth, the most recent government unemployment figures showed only 2.1 percent of the active population out of work, by far the lowest level of any industrialised country.

According to the Japanese Labor Ministry, 145 jobs were on offer for every 100 people seeking work in August. By the end of August a total of 64.17 million Japanese had jobs, 840,000 more than the year before.

In the construction business there are six vacancies for every candidate, according to the foreign securities firm W.I. Carr Ltd.

The personnel glut has caused tension in the labor market and fed inflation by pushing wages up -- by five percent in August compared with a year earlier.

Industries have responded to the labor shortage by investing heavily in rationalisation and automation.

Some companies have had to cut working hours and turn down orders.

The most serious shortage is among skilled workers, with shortfalls averaging 15 percent and up to 40 percent among metalworkers, according to a recent study by Mitsubishi Bank.

Automobile, electronics and household appliances firms have been forced to take on under-qualified personnel, the study said.

The economy's vitality will only exacerbate the labor situation over the next few years, especially in light of Japan's rapidly ageing population, analysts say.

Some research institutes predict that the economy could be lacking about two million personnel in two years.

A recent trade ministry survey found that about seven out of 10 firms expect the labor shortage to persist and attribute the problem to the structure of the Japanese economy.

Monetary authorities, starting with the Bank of Japan, are well aware of the problem's inflationary consequences.

Some economists say pending reforms in agriculture and distribution, two sectors that have enough hands and are not subject to market laws, might be a major source of manpower in the future.

Meanwhile, the government is gradually relaxing immigration laws as a means of building the work force.

The government also has encouraged the recent growth in part-time jobs and employment of women and the elderly.

The number of working women in August was up two per cent on last August, compared with 0.8 percent for men.

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HARARE (OCT. 2) - Three rhino poachers were killed Monday in a shoot-out with police in Zimbabwe's main game reserve, according to police quoted here Tuesday by the semi-official Herald newspaper.

They said the poachers had been armed with an AK-47 rifle, three axes and two rhino horns when they were intercepted by a police anti-poaching unit in Hwange National Park in north-western Zimbabwe.

The park is one of the last major strongholds of the world's surviving population of some 6,000 black rhinos.

The report said police sustained no casualties, and were on the trail of more members of the gang who escaped.

Around 100 rhino poachers have been killed since 1985 when Zimbabwe launched a major campaign to protect the endangered beasts. Most of the poachers are believed to cross the Zambezi river from neighbouring Zambia.

Rhino horn commands high prices in the Far East where it is prized as a medicine and aphrodisiac and in Yemen where it is used for ceremonial dagger handles.

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#90275d8240 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Dhaka (OCT. 2) - At least 25 people were injured Tuesday as police used force to break up a demonstration by fundamentalist Moslems in support of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, eyewitnesses said.

About 500 members of the Islamic Mujahid Party marched along the streets of central Dhaka calling for a holy war against the United States.

Police intervened as the marchers, chanting ''Allah o akbar'' (Allah is great) and ''long live Saddam Hussein'', threatened to cross a road block on way to Dhaka's diplomatic district.

Eyewitnesses said police wielding batons dispersed the demonstrators carrying portraits of the Iraqi leader.

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#90275d8350 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Rome (OCT. 2) - Gulf crisis talks between foreign ministers of the European Community and the Arab League have been postponed ''for several weeks'', a spokesman for the Italian E.C. presidency announced Tuesday.

The meeting originally was set to take place after the regular E.C. foreign minister talks in Venice Saturday and Sunday.

Preparations for the meeting were said to have been complicated by tensions within the Arab camp. Arab foreign ministers are to meet Wednesday in New York on the periphery of the U.N. General Assembly session to discuss the Gulf issue.

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#90275d8380 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Leipzig (OCT. 2) - Arguing against a mood of despair for East Germany's economy, a top West German Bundesbank official said here Tuesday that East German industry had good prospects ahead and was starting to adapt better to the market system.

Bundesbank director Johann Wilhelm Gaddum told journalists that surveys taken of East German firms showed 60 percent of them reporting satisfactory order book volumes.

He said that East German firms were apparently adapting better to market economy conditions, especially with regard to prices and product quality.

Gaddum conceded that the current phase of adaptation was a painful one for East German firms. He said the problems were mainly rooted in the artificial pricing framework of the former socialist system and in East German industry's having been shielded from the world market.

But it was a positive sign that there was a high number of applications in East Germany to establish new firms. This signalled a restructuring going on in the trades and in services, Gaddum said.

The Bundesbank director's remarks, a day before the unification of East and West Germany, comes at a time of widely diverging economic developments in the

two Germanys, economic analysts say. While West German industrial performance remains robust, East German output has fallen and unemployment has risen.

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TOKYO (OCT. 2) - Japan Airlines (JAL) is planning to introduce international telephone services on some of its trans-Pacific flights starting in March, JAL officials said Tuesday.

A one-minute call to Japan would cost about 1,000 yen (7.3 dollars).

JAL, the Japanese Ministry of Post and Telecommunications and Japan's international telecommunication giant KDD are in the final phase of a feasibility study on the project, the officials said.

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ROME (OCT. 2) - Italian consumer prices rose 0.6 per cent in September over the August level, giving year on year inflation of 6.3 per cent, the same as in August, the national statistics institute said Tuesday.

Oil product prices accounted for 0.2 per cent of the month on month rise,

the institute said, and saw related items rise sharply with electricity and heating fuel up 1.6 per cent and transport up 0.7 per cent.

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#90275d8640 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 2) - Britain's exchange reserves fell 344 million dollars in September to 39.06 billion dollars, the first fall since April, according to seasonally-adjusted figures released Tuesday by the Bank of England.

The drop was worse than market forecasts of a fall in the reserves -- gold, currency and special drawing rights -- of between 80 million and 200 million dollars.

The fall was largely due to Bank of England intervention to support the pound at the end of the month when it fell sharply.

Major monthly fluctuations in the exchange reserves are generally seen by economists as giving an indication of the extent of Bank of England intervention on the exchange market during the month.

The reserves had risen by 366 million dollars in August.

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#90275d8670 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KAKATA, Liberia (OCT. 2) - Traditional small trade is slowly resuming in Liberia, but few people can afford the prices which have been driven up as much as 10-fold during the West African country's nine-month civil war.

Market women have begun to spread out their wares along the streets of Kakata, a crossroads 55 kilometers (35 miles) north of Monrovia, where thousands of refugees have passed through in recent weeks in search of family.

Residents here are thought to be virtually the only people in Liberia to have electricity, recently restored after a four-month outage.

But prices for many basic commodities have quadrupled since Easter, corresponding to the black market rate for the Liberian dollar.

One U.S. dollar is now exchanged for 10 Liberian dollars. In April, police were arresting Lebanese traders exchanging at a ratio of only 2.5 to one. Officially, the Liberian dollar is on a parity with the U.S. dollar.

The rebellion, launched last December by Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL), has driven the price of a 50-kilogram (110-pound) bag of wheat to 400 Liberian dollars, up from 38 Liberian dollars six months ago.

Prices for locally produced items have quadrupled. A bar of soap costs one dollar, while a stack of firewood in this heavily forested country now costs 10 dollars. A 10-kilogram (22-pound) sack of charcoal sells for six dollars.

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#90275d8780 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
COLOMBO (OCT. 2) - Rival groups of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) in the north east of the country are being provided with weapons by the Sri Lankan government for "self-defence", the leader of Tamil group said on Tuesday.

Douglas devanandan, leader of the Eelam People's Democratic Party (EPDP), a splinter group of a former Tamil militant group, said that almost all rival Tamil groups of the LTTE were using weapons issued by the state to face any threat from the LTTE, the main Tamil rebel faction in the country.

He said its cadres that were operating in the Sri Lankan army occupied Kayts island in northern Sri Lanka and the weapons issued for "self defence" might be used for the "destruction of the LTTE, which is fighting for an independent homeland in the north east of the country for the minority Tamils.

The People's Liberation Organistion of Tamil Eelam (Plote), another rival

group, has also admitted that it was moving about in the northern Vavuniya districts with weapons issued by the government.

Civilians arriving in Colombo form the war-torn north east said most of the rival Tamil groups were assisting the army in their operations against the powerful LTTE.

The Tamil rebels are holding on to over 90 percent of the land in the north, while government troops have been confined to three main military camps there. In the east, security forces have taken control of most areas except for a few rebel pockets.

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#90275d8810 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CHEMNITZ, EAST GERMANY (OCT. 2) - The city of Chemnitz, in southern East Germany, has scrubbed Adolf Hitler's name from its roll of citizens of honour, the city's press service said Tuesday.

The city hall said the measure was retroactive, with effect from Hitler's death in 1945.

The Gauleiter, or Nazi governor, of the state of Saxony, Martin Mutschmann, was also taken off the roll.

Chemnitz was renamed Karl-Marx-Stadt under the German Democratic Republic, which disappears under unification.

Local officials voted to give the city back its former name after the ouster of East Germany's hardline government on October 18 last year.

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#90275d8860 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT ELIZABETH, South Africa (OCT. 2) - A very limited interest was displayed by buyers at the third Cape winter mohair sale in this South Coast town Tuesday, the Mohair Board said.

Only 20 percent of the 3.727 bales on offer were sold, the Board said, pointing out that the selection was average.

Approximate prices in South African cents per kilogram (257 cents to one dollar):

Adults Young Goats Kids

Strong 670-690 - -

Average 690-700 1500-1600 2550-2650

Good-Average 700-720 1700-2000 2700-28OO

Fine 850-1050 2050-2150 3200-3300

The next sale, of about 4,000 bales, will be held October 16.

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Brussels (OCT. 2) - European Community foreign ministers have approved special aid worth 2 billion dollars for Egypt, Jordan and Turkey as countries especially affected by the Gulf crisis, the E.C. Commission said here Tuesday.

The Commission said that the foreign ministers approved the funds, which will be distributed to the three countries by the end of 1991, at a meeting in New York.

The E.C. is to provide one-third of the money, with the individual Community countries coming up with the remaining two-thirds.

At the same time, the ministers agreed in principle to extend aid to other countries negatively affected by the Gulf crisis and the blockade against Iraq.

The Commission said that in reviewing which countries may qualify for such help, two main factors would be considered - oil prices, and to which degree a country's foreign trade situation is affected by the economic embargo against Iraq.

The E.C. aid for Egypt, Turkey and Jordan is to be provided within the framework of some 9 billion dollars' worth of help which wealthy industrial nations as well as such Gulf oil producers as Saudi Arabia, Qatar and United Arab Emirates are to provide.

The aid breakdown would amount to 4 billion dollars for Turkey by the end of 1991, 3 billion for Egypt, and 2 billion dollars for Jordan, the Commission said.

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Hamburg (OCT. 2) - Germany's now-united Christian Democratic Union (Cdu) adopted a party platform for all-German elections on December 2 at the close of its congress here Tuesday.

Cdu general-Secretary Volker Ruehe said the elections would be ''even more significant'' than the first free ballot in the Federal Republic in 1949.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl, who on Monday became the first chairman of an all-German Cdu, urged his party to ''apply all its strength'' in integrating the Germanys and winning the elections. East and West Germany officially unite on Wednesday.

The party platform calls for the establishment of an ecological and social market economy in all of Germany. The Cdu has dubbed itself the ''party of unity''.

Former East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere, who has repeatedly pressed the party to be more open to social issues, is Kohl's sole deputy.

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#90275d9030 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KIGALI (OCT. 2) - The authorities in Rwanda announced a curfew Tuesday throughout the Central African country following fighting between Rwandan army troops and a commando that they said came from Uganda earlier in the day.

The Ministry of National Defence said in a communique broadcast on Radio Rwanda that the country had been attacked in the northeast region of Mutara "by elements from Uganda".

It said the curfew would last from 8 p.m. (1800 GMT) to 5 a.m. (0300 GMT), and called on all Rwandans to watch out for and report anyone "infiltrating" among them.

In Nairobi, an informed source said rebel forces were rapidly approaching the Rwandan capital. He said the attackers included Rwandans serving in the Ugandan military.

Earlier, sources here said commandos had launched a dawn attack on several villages in Kagitumba valley. The army counter-attacked quickly but fighting continued for much of the day, the sources said.

Since May, about 2,000 Rwandans have crossed into southern Uganda because of land and food shortages in Rwanda, informed sources said in Kampala last month.

According to official figures, 84,000 Rwandans have fled to Uganda since 1959.

The source in Nairobi said several attacks have been launched on Rwanda by anti-government forces crossing from Uganda, Zaire, Burundi and Tanzania.

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#90275d9080 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

New Delhi, Oct 2 dpa - The worst rioting in weeks erupted Tuesday in New

Delhi on the 121st anniversary of the birth of Mahatma Gandhi.

More than 200,000 people joined in a demonstration to protest against the government's job plan for lower castes.

Groups of demonstrators wielding axes, iron bars, clubs and chains clashed with police.

Authorities ordered para-military units into the city, the Indian news agency Uni reported.

The anniversary, which is a national holiday, started with rioters burning cars, smashing windows of government buildings, and looting shops.

Police used teargas and water cannons to disperse demonstrators and strengthened guards outside government buildings and the homes of politicians.

At least 70 persons have died in protests since the government announced its job plan on August 7th. The Indian supreme court Monday ordered a halt to the plan, which has aroused violent opposition from upper castes.

The court ordered the government not to press ahead with the plan until the government had completed lists of the castes it intended to benefit. The judges also said they hoped that the halt would help to cool tempers.

Mahatma Gandhi, Indian nationalist leader, was born in 1869. He was assassinated in 1948 by a Hindu fanatic incensed by Gandhi's advocacy of friendship between Hindus and Moslems. dpa pt 021425 okt 90

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PRETORIA (OCT. 2) - South Africa managed to roll over or refinance about one billion rand (390 million dollars) of foreign debt in the second quarter of this year, according to figures in the Reserve Bank's latest quarterly review.

They show that total capital outflow during the second quarter was 2.19 billion rand (854 million dollars) as against about three billion rand (1.17 billion dollars) of foreign debt that fell due.

The outflow comprises not only foreign debt payments but also other capital outflow.

Reserve Bank economists said Tuesday they were unable to give an exact breakdown of outflow, but added it was clear that a large amount of maturing debt must have been rolled over, though some new sources of foreign capital may have been tapped.

Since 1985, South Africa has been slowly working its way out of a debt crisis sparked when foreign banks refused to roll over debt repayments and cut their credit lines to Pretoria.

The portion of overall foreign debt caught in the standstill net has dropped from more than 57 percent at the time of the moratorium in 1985 to just over 35 percent at the end of 1989.

Overall, Pretoria's foreign debt declined from 22.6 billion dollars in 1987 to 20.6 billion dollars at the end of last year.

Economists said last year that 1990 would be the worst year for foreign debt repayments, with 1.9 billion dollars falling due, the bulk of it in the second quarter.

But total capital outflow in the three months was less than the 2.9 billion rand (1.1 billion dollars) outflow in the third quarter of 1988, the heaviest repayments since the moratorium.

After weathering the foreign debt storm the balance of payments remained healthy in the next two months, with the review noting that the Reserve Bank's net foreign reserves soared by 1.2 billion rands (468 million dollars) in July and August this year.

Net reserves do not include foreign bridging finance and are a purer reflection of the balance of payments performance than the monthly figures released by the Bank.

The inflow allowed the Bank to repay more than one billion rand (390 million dollars) of foreign bridging finace taken in the second quarter to tide South Africa over the heavy foreign debt repayments.

Economists said Tuesday that the fact that South Africa had sailed so easily through its foreign debt crisis was proof that the country was on its way back to international financial respectability.

Recent reforms by President Frederik de Klerk and his highly-successful trip to the United States ought to ease the position even further and Pretoria should have no difficulty in meeting 1991's scheduled repayments of one billion dollars, they said.

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#90275d9450 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 2) - A massive 1.4-million man-days were lost through industrial action in South Africa in the third quarter of this year, figures released Tuesday by industrial relations firm FSA-Contact show.

The number of man-days lost was well above the total of 1.2-million lost in the first half of the year. In the first quarter, 699,000 man days were lost.

The increase was attributed by the company to deadlock in this year's round of wage negotiations in various sectors.

The manufacturing, public and chemical sectors accounted for 18 percent, 16 percent and 14 percent respectively of all strikes.

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#90275d9520 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 2) - West Germany's unemployment rate fell below the six per cent level in September to 5.9 percent, Chancellor Helmut Kohl told the congress of his Christian Democratic Union party in Hamburg on Tuesday.

"We have achieved something in the past eight years which we would not have dared dream of," Mr. Kohl added.

The unemployment rate stood at 6.2 percent in August. The federal labour office is due to release unemployment figures for September on Thursday, and refused to comment on Mr. Kohl's announcement of a 5.9 percent figure.

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ZAANDAM, Netherlands (OCT. 2) - The Netherlands' largest supermarket chain, Ahold, said Tuesday it planned to cancel all outstanding preferred stock, introduced last year to fend off a hostile takeover bid from Asko Kaufhaus of West Germany.

"As the threat has disappeared, the preferred stock can be cancelled," the group said in a statement.

The Fondation Ahold Continuite, which held all the preferred stock, had given its agreement to the move and it would be put to a special shareholders' meeting October 30.

Ahold, one of the top ten supermarket chains in the United States with the Bi-Lo, Giant Food Stores and First National Supermarkets names, said it also planned to propose to shareholders cutting the nominal value of its ordinary shares from five guilder to 2.5 guilder (2.7 to 1.35 dollars).

This was in view of plans to list Ahold on the U.S. National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System (NASDAQ), bringing the nominal value of Ahold stock into line with that of comparable U.S. companies and thus encouraging trading in the shares.

Ahold's fight to fend off the Kaufhaus bid began last year when Asko Kaufhaus quietly acquired 15 per cent of the Dutch firm at a time when it was holding discussions with the group - as were Casino of France and Argyll of Britain - on possible collaboration.

When Ahold discovered this, it broke off talks with Asko Kaufhaus and introduced the preferred stock to fend off any takeover attempt. It later signed a cooperation agreement with Casino and Argyll in September last year.

Asko finally threw in the towel in July after several abortive attempts to pursue the matter through the courts, and sold its 15 per cent stake in Ahold to a bank consortium headed by Amro of the Netherlands and Deutsche Bank of West Germany.

Ahold made a net profit of 71.4 million dollars in the first half of this year up 41.3 percent over the same period last year.

Almost half its 10 billion dollars in sales last year came in the United States, and group president Pierre Everaert has said it wants to expand further in the North American market.

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#90275d9570 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (OCT. 2) - British Secretary of State for Energy John Wakeham held talks here Tuesday with Saudi Arabian Oil Minister Hisham Nazer on ways to expand bilateral cooperation in the light of the Gulf crisis, informed sources said.

The two ministers discussed Saudi efforts to make up for some four million barrels of oil a day (bd) produced by Kuwait and Iraq before the United Nations imposed an embargo on Baghdad for its August 2 invasion of Kuwait, they said.

Mr. Wakeham told reporters that Britain insisted on an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the return of the Kuwaiti government under Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah.

The two men also reviewed means of stabilizing oil prices.

On Monday, Mr. Nazer said Saudi Arabia had raised oil production by more than two million bd since the invasion and would increase it even further "in the near furture".

The extra production is aimed at trying to moderate prices and make up for the lost Iraqi and Kuwaiti output.

Mr. Wakeham, who arrived here Sunday from the United Arab Emirates, also met

earlier with the Saudi ministers of industry and finance for discussions on bilateral cooperation.

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#90275d9610 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 2) - Thailand is considering opening direct negotiations with the United States in a bid to end a dispute between the two countries over Bangkok's ban on foreign cigarette imports, the Thai foreign ministry said Tuesday.

Thailand is considering negotiations in the wake of a ruling by the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) against Thailand on the issue, ministry spokesman Saktiepya Kraireuk said.

It was the first official confirmation of the GATT ruling, which Thai and U.S. Embassy officials had said was to remain confidential until a council meeting of GATT set for November 7.

(Informed GATT sources said in Geneva Tuesday that a GATT disputes panel had ruled that the Thai restrictions violated GATT agreements.

(As a result, Bangkok should renounce its tobacco monopoly and allow U.S. cigarettes into the country, it said, but did not accept U.S. complaints that tariffs and taxes on cigarettes violated GATT rules).

The move has prompted speculation of U.S. trade sanctions against Thailand.

According to a U.S. diplomat here, GATT is empowered to approve retaliatory measures against a country found guilty of unfair trade practices, while Washington could also impose sanctions under Section 301 of the Omnibus Trade Bill passed by the U.S. Congress in 1988.

In an interview broadcast over state-run Radio Thailand, Thai Foreign Minister Subin Pinkayan, who is currently in the United States, expressed hope that trade disputes with the United States, including those on cigarette imports, textiles, countervailing duties and agricultural subsidies, could be resolved.

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#90275d9710 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (OCT. 2) - Retail prices in Hungary rose an average 27.1 percent in the first eight months of the year against the same period in 1989, figures released Tuesday by the central statistical office showed.

Food prices rose almost 35.4 percent, coffee, tea and tobacco rose 26.3 percent and clothing rose 22 percent, the figures showed.

Prices rose fastest in August hitting an average 31.6 percent compared to August 1989. The average for the first seven months of the year was 26.3 percent.

Meat, milk, flour, pasta and citrus fruit rose more than 40 percent in August. The price of bread, sugar, chicken, butter, oil, chocolate and fruit rose between 30 to 40 percent in the same month.

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LUANDA (OCT. 2) - Angola's current ambitious monetary reform, which has seen the kwanza replaced by a new kwanza worth only half as much, aims at restoring economic health and encouraging privatisation, analysts say here.

But the reform, announced last month, has so far led to some confusion, as people flocked to banks to fulfil a requirement to hand over all their old kwanza for new ones - only to find that they were only allowed to keep five per cent of their cash.

The remaining 95 percent is being placed in special savings accounts to be made available by the government at a future date which has not yet been announced.

The new kwanza is valued at 60 to the dollar, against 30 old kwanza to the dollar, according to a report by the Angolan news agency ANGOP monitored in Lisbon on Monday, but many people here fear that further stringent devaluation is to follow.

The official exchange rate has always been far removed from the rate on the flourishing black market in this Marxist-governed country, where barter and other arrangements have flourished.

But the government has been seeking to reduce the amount of cash in circulation as the value of the currency has fallen, leaving people forced to go shopping with huge wads of notes.

The currency reform has sparked confusion, with most shops on Monday refusing to sell anything on the grounds that they did not know how much to charge under the new system.

Cans of beer, however, generally seen as a litmus test of the pricing system as a whole, were changing hands at 20 new kwanza against 4,000 old kwanzas.

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#90275d9810 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (OCT. 2) - South Africa gained nearly 50 per cent more immigrants

compared to the first seven months last year, Home Affairs Minister Gene Louw said here Tuesday.

Some 8,409 people had immigrated to South Africa by end July, a 49.8 per cent increase compared to the first seven months last year, while only 2,790 people had emigrated from South Africa by end July, a decrease of 11.6 per cent compared to the same period last year, Mr. Louw said in a statement.

The immigration figures "showed confidence in South Africa's future", Mr. Louw said, adding that the recruitment of foreign skilled manpower remained "an accent in the (government's) recruitment drive".

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YUGOSLAVIA REGISTERS 7.1 PERCENT INFLATION RISE IN SEPTEMBER

BELGRADE (OCT. 2) - Retail prices in Yugoslavia rose 7.1 percent in September, Vice Prime Minister Zivko Pregl said Tuesday.

The cost of living had risen 7.6 percent, due largely to the rise in the price of agricultural products and services Mr. Pregl told the national press agency Tanjug.

Mr. Pregl said his government planned to cut inflation by importing 600 million dollars worth of meat, flour, rice and sugar and by easing controls on imports.

The government said it would try to keep inflation in the next three months to 1.5 percent a month on condition that consumption was curbed and salary increases kept to a minimum.

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#90275d9990 10/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (OCT. 2) - Several thousand Kuwaitis in exile and Bahrainis, including many woman and children, demonstrated here Tuesday against the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

At a rally outside the Kuwaiti embassy building they shouted ''Freedom for Kuwait'' and called Iraqi President Saddam Hussein an ''enemy of Allah's'', ''murderer'' and ''madman''.

Demonstrators carried banners, some in English, reading ''We shall overcome - God is on our side'', and pictures of the exile Emir of Kuwait and of the Emir of Bahrain.

Thousands of Kuwaitis have sought refuge in Bahrain following the August 2 invasion of their country by Iraq.

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Huancayo, Peru (OCT. 2) EFE - Suspected Maoist rebels murdered four leading members of civilian militias after dragging them from their homes in the central Peruvian city of Huancayo, police said Monday.

Police found the bodies of the four, aged from 20 to 25, early in the day on a street in the Pilcomayo district.

They bore wounds caused by guns, knives and explosives, police said.

The civilian militias have been organized in Peru to help security forces fight leftist rebel violence, mainly by the Maoist Shining Path guerrilla group, which police blamed for the killings.

At least 21,000 people have died in political violence in Peru since Shining Path took up arms in 1980.-EFE

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Athens (OCT. 2) EFE - Andreas Papandreou, the former Greek prime minister and Socialist party leader, was reported in satisfactory condition Tuesday after he was rushed to hospital with breathing problems.

Papandreou's personal physician said he fell ill late Monday after taking part in a parliamentary debate on the economy and was admitted to the intensive care unit of Athens General Hospital.

Doctors treating the 71-year-old former premier said he was suffering from a slight lung infection and would remain in hospital to undergo further tests.

In 1988, during his term in office, Papandreou underwent open heart surgery in London and the following year he was hospitalized with a serious lung infection.

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#90275e0009 10/02/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Paris (OCT. 2) EFE - The majority of French people are opposed to a war with Iraq, although most of them support their government's decision to send troops to the Gulf to stave off further Iraqi aggression, according to a poll published Tuesday.

The survey, published by the daily Le Monde, showed that 83 percent of those interviewed were against a military showdown with Baghdad and favored a negotiated solution to the crisis.

But 90 percent said they saw the French government's decision to send troops to join the multinational force in the Gulf as a bid to ensure international laws were respected.

Sixty-one per cent of those surveyed said France should participate in an attack on Iraq if its Western allies decided to launch an offensive.

Thirty-nine percent said they backed a bombardment of Iraqi military installations in Baghdad even if Western hostages were being held in the city, while 49 percent said they opposed the idea.

Le Monde's survey was carried September 25 and 26 and questioned 1,006 people over the age of 18.

France was one of the first countries to send troops to join U.S. forces deployed in the Gulf following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and has backed United Nations resolutions against Baghdad.

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#90275e0019 10/02/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Johannesburg (OCT. 2) EFE - Zulu Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi has turned down an invitation from Nelson Mandela to attend a meeting of +homeland+ leaders to discuss ways of ending South Africa's black township warfare, the African National Congress (ANC) said Tuesday.

Buthelezi's Inkatha movement, based in the Zulu tribe, is locked in a bitter struggle with Mandela's ANC, a majority of whose members belong to the Xhosa tribe.

The ANC said Buthelezi gave no reason for his refusal to attend the October 5 meeting at Mandela's residence in the Soweto township.

Observers said Buthelezi may have spurned the invitation because Mandela invited him as chief of one of the ten black "homelands", rather than as Inkatha chief.

Buthelezi is chief minister of the KwaZulu homeland, one of the nominally

autonomous or independent rural areas set aside by the South African government as part of its segregation policy.

The government has been urging the two black rival leaders to meet in the hopes of helping to end the violence in the townships which has killed 800 people since August.

In a related development, Pretoria was still considering an ANC request for a third summit to discuss the factional township fighting.

The ANC had proposed that the talks be held before Saturday when Mandela, the ANC deputy president, departs on a tour of India, Australia and the Soviet Union.

But a government spokesman said that such a high-level meeting would not be opportune as joint government-ANC working groups have not made enough progress in preparatory work.

Previously Mandela has refused to meet Buthelezi, accusing him of promoting the violence so that he would have to be included in any negotiations on the elimination of South Africa's racist apartheid system.

Buthelezi is a conservative who has been accused by his rivals of collaborating with white leaders for years.

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ATHENS (OCT 2) EFE - A former Greek Socialist deputy prime minister was jailed Tuesday after being charged with having accepted a bribe of more than a million dollars in exchange for drawing up a financial law to benefit the owner of a bank.

Agamemnon Koutsogiorgas, who served under ex- premier Andreas Papandreou, will be held in jail until the trial begins of what has been described as one of Greece's biggest-ever financial scandals.

Koutsogiorgas allegedly received a dlrs 1.2 million bribe in return for drawing up a law which prevented the (central) Bank of Greece gaining access to the financial affairs of the Bank of Crete -- owned by magnate George Koskotas.

The alleged bribe was deposited in a bank account in Switzerland.

Koskotas is in jail in the United States charged with tax evasion. The Greek government has asked for his extradition on the grounds that he was responsible for having embezzled more than dlrs 200 million of Bank of Crete funds.

The former deputy prime minister, who was considered Papandreou's right-hand man during the prime minister's 1981-89 administration, said Tuesday that the accusations against him were +an act of vengeance+ by political opponents.

Koutsogiorgas' wife Aliki is also to appear before a judge Tuesday. The alleged bribe was deposited in an account to which she also had access.

The Greek Parliament lifted the former deputy prime minister's immunity status last September.

It has also removed that of Papandreou and five former Socialist ministers so they could also be tried in the financial scandal.

Papandreou, 72, was admitted to hospital Monday suffering from a lung infection.

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HAMBURG (OCT. 2) EFE - On the eve of German unification, West Germany's ruling Christian Democrats fused with their East German counterparts and by a near-unanimous vote nominated West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl as their candidate for December's all-German elections.

Before wrapping up the two-day party congress, 98.5 per cent of the delegates present -- a quarter of whom were from East Germany -- endorsed Kohl as their choice to carry on as leader of the united Germany that officially comes into existence on Wednesday.

Kohl was hailed by his supporters as the architect of German unification, although his many detractors maintain he did little more than exploit the collapse of the Communist regime in East Germany and the subsequent economic breakdown.

In his acceptance speech, Kohl said, "We are the principal political force in the country and we shall continue to be so in the times ahead. Thus we have the principal responsibility for Germany's future."

Speaking to the delegates Monday, Kohl said the main tasks ahead for a united Germany would be the economic reconstruction of the former East German states, progress towards European unity, and the eventual creation of the United States of Europe.

Germany must take its place in the emerging international order and fully assume the responsibilities deriving from its importance in the new scheme of things, said Kohl, who is widely tipped as the favorite in the December 2 elections.

East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere was elected vice president of Kohl's Christian Democratic Union and is expected to be offered a top government post if Kohl wins in December.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) EFE - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev is to make his first visit to Spain within the next two months, +barring any last minute hitch+, Spanish Foreign Minister Francisco Fernandez Ordonez said Tuesday.

Fernandez Ordonez and his Soviet counterpart, Eduard Shevardnadze, met in New York where they were attending the United Nations General Assembly and a meeting of the 35-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE)

The Spanish foreign minister said both sides were still studying specific dates for the trip but that Gorbachev wanted to go to Spain before the CSCE Paris summit scheduled for November 19-21.

He said Gorbachev and Spanish Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez would sign some 30 accords, including one guaranteeing Spanish investments in the Soviet Union.

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MANAGUA (OCT. 3) EFE - Sandinista leader Carlos Nunez, a former urban guerrilla who presided over the Nicaraguan National Assembly for 10 years, died from a heart attack Tuesday, the Radio Sandino station announced.

Nunez, 39, was the youngest of the nine-person Directorate that led the country from the 1979 Sandinista revolution that overthrew dictator Anastasio Somoza until last February's surprise electoral defeat by President Violeta Chamorro's UNO coalition.

The young Sandinista commander played an important part in the defeat of the Somoza regime, having led the so-called Internal Front which was responsible for waging the leftist insurgency in Nicaraguan cities during the late 1970s.

Nunez died in a hospital in the Cuban capital, Havana, where he was taken Sunday after falling gravely ill from a disease he had been suffering from for more than a year.

A Marxist-Leninist, Nunez married the daughter of ex-Central Bank president Joaquin Cuadro Chamorro although they were recently divorced. Nunez remarried last February.

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Boston (OCT. 3) EFE - A Colombian judge has requested asylum in the United States after receiving death threats from alleged drug traffickers in her country, U.S. immigration officials said.

Judge Clara Parra Bravo, 41, fled Colombia in April with her two teenage children after an anonymous caller +invited+ her to attend her own funeral on May 5, the officials said.

During her interview Tuesday with immigration authorities, she told officials that the northern town of Guamal, where she was a municipal judge, was dogged by violence from drug traffickers and leftist rebels.

She added that 200 judges have been murdered in Colombia since 1981, mostly by gunmen at the pay of the infamous Medellin Drug Cartel, which has attempted to ensure its impunity in the country through the intimidation and bribery of judicial and government officials.

The immigration officers said Parra's asylum request would be examined by the State Department.-EFE

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LUSAKA (OCT. 2) XINHUA - WHILE FEES HAVE ONLY BEEN LEVIED ON NON-ESSENTIAL MEDICAL SERVICES IN THE PAST, THE ZAMBIAN GOVERNMENT HAS ANNOUNCED FEES FOR MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDED IN ALL HEALTH CENTRES AND HOSPITALS IN ZAMBIA.

ACCORDING TO THE LATEST ISSUE OF THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE THAT PEOPLE WILL HAVE TO PAY AN ADMISSION FEE OF 20 KWACHA (0.5 U.S. DOLLAR) IN GENERAL HOSPITALS AND THEREAFTER PAY A DAILY FEE OF 50 KWACHA (1.2 DOLLARS) FOR THE FIRST SEVEN DAYS.

THIS WILL BE REDUCED BY HALF FOR THE NEXT SEVEN DAYS AND THEREAFTER NO FEE WILL BE CHARGED.

IN DISTRICT HOSPITALS, THEY WILL PAY 50 KWACHA REGISTRATION FEE IF THEY HAVE NOT BEEN REFERRED AND 10 KWACHA WHEN THEY HAVE.

OTHER FEES TO BE CHARGED ARE 50 KWACHA FOR CONSULTATION AND FIVE KWACHA FOR A

PRESCRIPTION IN A CENTRAL HOSPITAL WHILE IN A GENERAL HOSPITAL, THE PRESCRIPTION FEE WILL ALSO BE FIVE KWACHA BUT THERE WILL BE NO CHARGE FOR CONSULTATION.

IN DISTRICT HOSPITALS, THE REGISTRATION FEE FOR REFERRED PATIENTS WILL BE FIVE KWACHA AND 30 KWACHA FOR NON-REFERRED PATIENTS WHILE CONSULTATION AND TREATMENT FEES WILL NOT BE PAID FOR.

HOWEVER, MATERNITY CASES, CHILD CARE AND MENTAL PATIENTS WILL BE EXEMPTED FROM PAYING THE FEES.

THE MOVE ALLOWING MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS TO CHARGE FOR THE SERVICES THEY PROVIDE IS AIMED AT ENABLING THEM TO GENERATE INCOMES TO SUPPLEMENT GOVERNMENT GRANTS AND EVENTUALLY ENSURE SELF-SUSTAINABILITY.

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BEIJING (OCT. 2) XINHUA - CHINA WILL GIVE TOP PRIORITY IN THE 1990S TO BUILDING A COMPREHENSIVE NETWORK OF ROADS WHICH WILL SPAN THE MAINLAND, TODAY'S "CHINA DAILY" REPORTED.

ACCORDING TO THE PLANS OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS, ABOUT 90,000 KM OF HIGHWAYS WILL BE BUILT DURING THE EIGHTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN PERIOD (1991-95), INCREASING THE COUNTRY'S TOTAL TO 1.11 MILLION KM. AT THE SAME TIME, THE COUNTRY'S ONE MILLION KM OF EXISTING HIGHWAYS, MOST OF WHICH NEEDS REPAIRING, IS ALSO TO BE UPGRADED.

THE FIRST PHASE OF THE HIGHWAY PROJECT INVOLVES THE CREATION OF 12 TRUNK HIGHWAYS TOTALLING 25,000 KM, ACCORDING TO COMMUNICATIONS VICE MINISTER WANG ZHANYI.

THE HIGHWAY PROJECT MAY TAKE 10 YEARS TO COMPLETE. AFTER COMPLETION, THE MAJOR HIGHWAYS INCLUDED IN THE PROJECT WILL FORM A NETWORK WHICH CONNECTS ALL PROVINCIAL CAPITALS, INDUSTRIAL CENTRES, TRANSPORTATION HUBS AND PORTS.

THESE HIGHWAYS ARE ALSO EXPECTED TO TAKE THE LION'S SHARE OF THE VOLUME OF TRANSPORT SO THAT THE HEAVY BURDEN CARRIED BY RAILWAYS CAN BE LESSENED.

THIS YEAR, SOME 12,500 KM OF ROADS, INCLUDING THREE EXPRESSWAYS, WILL BE COMPLETED, INCREASING THE TOTAL TO 1.03 MILLION KM, SAID WANG WHO IS IN CHARGE OF HIGHWAYS AT THE MINISTRY.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HIGHWAY PROJECTS, THERE WILL ALSO BE NEW ROADS BUILT IN REMOTE AND UNDERDEVELOPED REGIONS TO HELP SPEED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THESE AREAS.

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#90275h0204 10/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
HONG KONG (OCT. 2) XINHUA - THE VALUE OF HONG KONG'S TOTAL RETAIL SALES IN JULY THIS YEAR ROSE BY 16 PERCENT TO 9,819 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (1,258 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) OVER A YEAR AGO.

MEANWHILE, ITS RETAIL SALES IN VOLUME GREW BY NINE PERCENT, ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT STATISTICS RELEASED HERE TODAY.

THE MARKED INCREASES WERE PARTLY DUE TO A PICK-UP IN LOCAL PEOPLE'S CONSUMER SPENDING AND ALSO TO A LOW BASE OF COMPARISON IN JULY LAST YEAR.

COMPARING WITH JULY LAST YEAR, RETAIL SALES OF CONSUMER DURABLES ROSE BY 31 PERCENT IN VALUE AND 23 PERCENT IN VOLUME, AND THAT OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND PARTS WENT UP BY 39 PERCENT IN VALUE AND 28 PERCENT IN VOLUME.

RETAIL SALES OF FOODSTUFFS, ALCOHOLIC DRINKS, TOBACCO, FUELS, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR AND ALLIED PRODUCTS ALSO INCREASED.

IN THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, HONG KONG'S TOTAL RETAIL SALES INCREASED BY SIX PERCENT IN VALUE, BUT REMAINED ALMOST UNCHANGED IN VOLUME COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

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ISTANBUL (OCT. 2) XINHUA - TURKEY, HARD-HIT BY SOARING OIL PRICES BECAUSE OF THE GULF CRISIS, HAS RAISED THE PRICES BY ANOTHER 15 PERCENT, THE FOURTH RISE SINCE AUGUST 7, LOCAL NEWSPAPERS REPORTED TODAY.

THE STATE-OWNED TURKISH OIL REFINERIES CORPORATION (TUPRUS) DECIDED TO RAISE AS OF MONDAY THE PRICE OF SUPER GRADE PETROL BY 15.5 PERCENT TO 2,648 TURKISH LIRA PER LITRE (ABOUT 0.97 U.S. DOLLAR) FROM 2,295 LIRA (ABOUT 0.84) AND THAT OF DIESEL FUEL BY 14.9 PERCENT TO 1,903 LIRA PER LITRE (ABOUT 0.70 DOLLAR) FROM 1,656 LIRA (ABOUT 0.61 DOLLAR).

WITH THD LATEST INCREASE, PETROL PRICES IN TURKEY HAVE SHOT UP BY ABOUT 70 PERCENT SINCE IRAQ'S AUGUST 2 INVASION OF KUWAIT, SERIOUSLY HAMPERING THE COUNTRY'S EFFORTS TO CURB INFLATION, WHICH IS OFFICIALLY PROJECTED AT 54.5 PERCENT BY THE END OF THE YEAR.

OFFICIALS ESTIMATE THIS TARGET WILL BE EXCEEDED BY 5-8 PERCENTAGE POINTS.

BEFORE THE GULF CRISIS, THE PRICE OF SUPER GRADE PETROL WAS 1,391 LIRA (ABOUT 0.51 DOLLAR) PER LITRE AND THAT OF DIESEL FUEL 1,191 LIRA (ABOUT 0.44 DOLLAR).

TURKEY, WHICH IMPORTS 90 PERCENT OF ITS OIL NEEDS, HAS BECOME PRONE TO FLUCTUATIONS ON THE SPOT MARKET AFTER SHUTTING DOWN A VITAL IRAQI OIL PIPELINE

ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO THE MEDITERRANEAN, FROM WHICH IT GOT 60 PERCENT OF ITS OIL IMPORTS IN 1989.

"THE ABNORMAL RISE IN INTERNATIONAL OIL PRICES, WHICH HAVE HIT 40 U.S. DOLLARS A BARREL, HAS NECESSITATED THE READJUSTMENT OF OUR PETROL PRICES," MEHMET SAVRAN, GENERAL MANAGER OF TUPRUS TOLD REPORTERS.

"IF THE WORLD OIL PRICES FALL, THEY WILL BE REFLECTED IN THE DOMESTIC MARKET," HE ADDED.

THE RISE IN THE WORLD OIL PRICES IS OFFICIALLY ESTIMATED TO PUT AN EXTRA 2 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS NEXT YEAR ON TURKEY'S OIL IMPORT BILL WHICH STOOD AT 2.46 BILLION DOLLARS IN 1989.

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LAGOS (OCT. 2) XINHUA - NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT YESTERDAY LAUNCHED A 25-VOLUME REVISED EDITION OF THE LAWS OF THE FEDERATION.

THE LAUNCHING OF THE REVISED LAWS COINCIDED WITH THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE OF THE COUNTRY.

AT A LAUNCHING CEREMONY HERE YESTERDAY, PRESIDENT IBRAHIM BABANGIDA SAID THE LAWS WERE REVISED TO BRING THE NATION'S LEGAL SYSTEM CLOSER TO ALL NIGERIANS.

HE SAID THAT LAWS MUST BE INDIGENOUS AND REFLECT THE CHANGES IN THE COUNTRY, ADDING THAT THE REVISION EXERCISE MUST BE VIEWED AS "AN APPLICATION OF SELF-RELIANCE TO OUR LEGAL SYSTEM".

THE REVISED LAWS WHICH WILL BE VALID FOR 32 YEARS, ARE SEEN HERE AS A DEPARTURE FROM THE LAST VESTIGE OF COLONIALISM LEFT OVER BY BRITISH RULE BEFORE 1960 WHEN NIGERIA WON INDEPENDENCE.

NIGERIA FIRST REVISED ITS LAWS IN 1958.

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TOKYO (OCT. 2) KYODO - FUJI PHOTO FILM CO. WILL ESTABLISH A SALES AGENCY IN HUNGARY NEXT JANUARY UNDER A TIE-UP WITH MARUBENI CORP., A MAJOR TRADING HOUSE BOTH COMPANIES SAID TUESDAY.

FUJI-FILM HUNGARY WILL MARKET FUJI'S PRODUCTS IN THAT COUNTRY, WHERE THE GOVERNMENT RECENTLY DECIDED TO ALLOW FOREIGN COMPANIES TO SELL THEIR PRODUCTS DIRECTLY AS PART OF ITS ECONOMIC REFORMS.

ANNUAL SALES ARE PROJECTED AT 10 MILLION DOLLARS IN THE FIRST YEAR, INCREASING

TO 15 MILLION DOLLARS AFTER THREE YEARS.

THE BUDAPEST-BASED FIRM WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 32 MILLION FORINT (75 MILLION YEN), ALL OF WHICH WILL BE FINANCED BY MARUBENI.

SINCE 1980, FUJI HAS MARKETED FILM, CAMERAS, AND LABORATORY EQUIPMENT WORTH ABOUT 7 MILLION DOLLARS PER YEAR IN HUNGARY THROUGH MARUBENI. THE COMPANY HAS A 25 PERCENT SHARE OF JAPAN'S PHOTO FILM MARKET.

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TOKYO (OCT. 2) KYODO - ENVIRONMENTALIST GROUPS MEETING IN WASHINGTON IN LATE SEPTEMBER URGED THE WORLD BANK TO HALT LOANS TO A CONTROVERSIAL DAM PROJECT IN INDIA, JAPANESE ENVIRONMENTALISTS SAID TUESDAY.

THE CONFERENCE, WHICH COINCIDED WITH THE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE BANK AND THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND, WAS ATTENDED BY 170 ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS, INCLUDING THE FRIENDS OF EARTH JAPAN, THEY SAID.

ENVIRONMENTALISTS CLAIM THE PROJECT, BEING BUILT ACROSS THE NARMADA RIVER IN GUJARAT STATE IN WESTERN INDIA, WILL DISPLACE 100,000 PEOPLE AND DESTROY THE CULTURE OF TRIBAL PEOPLE.

THE WORLD BANK APPROVED A 450 MILLION DOLLAR LOAN FOR THE PROJECT IN 1985.

YUKIO TANAKA, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE FRIENDS OF EARTH JAPAN, AND KAZUO SUMI, A PROFESSOR AT YOKOHAMA CITY UNIVERSITY, CALLED ON BANK OFFICIALS AND URGED THEM TO STOP FINANCING THE PROJECT BUT THE OFFICIALS REFUSED THE REQUEST, THEY SAID.

THE ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS CALLED ON THE WORLD BANK TO STOP DESTRUCTION OF TROPICAL RAIN FORESTS AND FORCED RELOCATION RESULTING FROM THIRD WORLD DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS INVOLVING THE BANK, THEY SAID.

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TOKYO (OCT. 2) KYODO - ONODA CEMENT CO. SAID TUESDAY ITS U.S. SUBSIDIARY WILL TAKE OVER THE CEMENT DIVISION OF A LEADING CALIFORNIA-BASED MANUFACTURER OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND CEMENT.

ONODA CALIFORNIA INC. WILL BUY CALIFORNIA PORTLAND CEMENT CO., A CALMAT CO. SUBSIDIARY, A COMPANY SPOKESMAN SAID.

IN 1988, ONODA ACQUIRED A 19 PERCENT STAKE IN CALMAT WORTH SOME 240 MILLION DOLLARS. CALMAT HANDED OVER ALL OF ITS SUBSIDIARY'S SHARES IN EXCHANGE FOR ONODA'S STAKE IN THE PARENT COMPANY.

CALIFORNIA PORTLAND HAS THREE PLANTS WITH A COMBINED ANNUAL PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 2.85 MILLION TONS.

ONODA, A TOP CEMENT MAKER IN JAPAN, CURRENTLY EXPORTS CEMENT TO CALIFORNIA, BUT HOPES TO EVENTUALLY BEGIN LOCAL PRODUCTION THERE.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT 2) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

On news of government actions to aid stocks, the Nikkei skyrockets a record 2677 points, a gain of 13%. ... The FTSE is also higher, up 31 points in midday London trading. ... Bond prices head higher with the long yield down to 8.82%. ... Crude oil continues to decline with Brent North Sea off $1.75 to $35.30. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT says construction spending was flat from July to August. ... The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PURCHASING MANAGEMENT says its business index fell to 44.4% in September, the lowest since a 42.8% level in December 1982. in September was up 58% from September a year ago. ... The GANNET FOUNDATION says it has rejected a $540 million offer by GANNETT CO. to buy back the foundation's 10% stake in the company at current market share prices.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT is scheduled to release new home sales for August at 10 a.m. EDT. Economists are expecting a decline of 1.1% from July. ... XEROX CORP. plans to unveil today a combination copier, fax, image scanner and document printer that it calls its most important development in 31 years. ... AMERICA WEST AIRLINES says it plans to buy or lease up to 118 Airbus A320 jets.

FROM THE BULLS:

JACK CANTWELL, manager of block trading for DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS, says the market got a boost yesterday from strategist ELAINE GARZARELLI of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS, who told clients that stock prices have bottomed and could rally "10 to 12 percent from now on." Ms Garzarelli says, "The market anticipates. Historically, over the last 50 years, the stock market will begin to rally two quarters before the economy bottoms out. We're only two quarters away from the bottom of the economy." ("USA Today" and NYT, 10/2)

"I think the market's bought itself some time on the upside," says JON GROVEMAN of LADENBURG THALMANN. "The bulls are finally taking the ball and

running with it." ("The Washington Post", 10/2)

FROM THE BEARS:

"This is simply a bounce in a bear market," says THOM R. BROWN, managing director at RUTHERFORD BROWN & CATHERWOOD. "I don't really think we hit bottom last week." Mr. Brown believes that the market is more likely to drop an additional 10% to 12%. He says he expects the market to begin showing signs of weakness again tomorrow. (WSJ, 10/2)

MARSHAL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY called Monday's trading "a pleasant respite from the problems we've had in recent weeks." He says this recovery will continue, but adds, "I still look at this as a rally in a bear market." He says third quarter earnings and a weak economy will eventually pull stocks down. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/1)

"It looks like a rally in a bear market," says PETER DaPUZZO, co-head of world-wide equities for SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. He suggests that the rally can be sustained for only a few weeks before fizzling under the weight of longer-term pessimism about stocks and the economy. (WSJ, 10/2)

STOCK MARKET:

"The prospects of a weak economy and a Fed easing has really given investors some encouragement," says JAMES FRALICK of MORGAN STANLEY. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/1)

ALAN BOND of WR LAZARD & CO. does not think the budget agreement will have much lasting impact on the stock market. "What we would prefer to see is better fundamentals and better earnings support to provide impetus for the market to move higher." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/1)

"The market's been tremendously oversold and there's been so much bearish sentiment, we were ready for a rally," says ROBERT FREEDMAN, chief portfolio manager for JOHN HANCOCK's mutual funds. "But whether it's a rally in a bear market or is ready to move up, is too early to tell." (NYT, 10/2)

If the market rally dies today, TRUDE LATTIMER of JESUP JOSEPTHAL & CO. says that "at the very least we should expect a test below the 2400 level. If indeed some further encouraging news comes out, and we can carry the rally further, then we have to make different projections. If we get up above 2600 a test may come above 2500. It's too soon to know. This rally is only a day-and-a-half old." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/2)

ARNOLD KAUFMAN, editor of S&P's "Outlook" newsletter, says dividend decreases and omissions are at their highest levels since 1982. Meantime, dividend increases are down 22.3% and are growing at the slowest rate in twenty years. The dividend drought results from companies' "concern about a recession,

shrinking profits and high debt service," says Kaufman. (WSJ, 10/2)

"It's a two-tiered market," says RICHARD BERNSTEIN, manager of quantitative analysis at MERRILL LYNCH. "Companies in trouble are being forced to cut their dividends. On the other hand, companies that perceive themselves strong are buying back their stock." (WSJ, 10/2)

STOCK TIPS:

"Wall Street is having a sale," says STEPHEN LEEB of "Personal Finance" who believes the economy is stronger than most people think. While the Gulf crisis has dramatically increased short term risk, Leeb says, "[The] flip side of every crisis is an historic buying opportunity." Rated a best buy: TIME-WARNER -- "A winner for any climate." (CNBC "World Business", 10/2)

"The New York Times" reports that UAL CORPORATION has been thriving amid the buyout turmoil over UNITED AIRLINES. "The outlook for United is very promising," says JOHN EICHNER, a New York based airline industry consultant. "It must be one helluva property if it is doing this well in spite of all of its problems." Some do have reservations. "I am not sure it would be fair to call United the stellar performer in the business," says THOMAS LONGMAN, an airline analyst for BEAR, STEARNS & COMPANY. "They just happen to have a nice chunk of their business -- roughly 30 percent -- in the Pacific." (NYT, 10/02)

Recently STANDARD & POOR'S assembled a list of "crunch-proof" companies that are generating "robust" cash and have low debt loads. ARNOLD KAUFMAN, editor of S&P's "Outlook" newsletter, says that his favorites on the list include ABBOTT LABORATORIES, FLIGHT SAFETY INTERNATIONAL, HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES, MERCK, NOVELL, STRIDE RITE, UST, WARNER-LAMBERT and WOOLWORTH. (WSJ, 10/2)

NATIONAL SERVICE INDUSTRIES is "a stock picker's dream ... solid growth, strong balance sheet," say the editors at "Street Smart Investing." The company should do well regardless of economic conditions. But they say ANHEUSER BUSCH faces impending challenges: "Investors should contemplate the sale of the stock." (CNBC "World Business" 10/2)

GOLDEN NUGGET is betting on boxing as the heavyweight championship comes to the Mirage, its splashy and expensive Las Vegas hotel and casino, on October 25. Analysts are split on the outlook for the company. Worried about the company's heavy debt and the effects of an economic downturn on its operating results, MARK MANSON of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE considers the stock "unattractive." JAMES MURREN, an analyst with C.J. LAWRENCE, has a "hold" on the company fearing an impending recession. MICHAEL MUELLER, with MONTGOMERY SECURITIES, recommends the stock anticipating that Golden Nugget will earn $3 a share this year. PAINEWEBBER's LEE ISGUR has the strongest recommendation for the stock. He says, "It's the only game of its kind in town and nothing else like it is under construction. I have no doubt they can sustain their success. Anyone with doubts should fly out and take a look. No one who's been

there has doubts anymore." (NYT, 10/2)

"We would only be interested in companies that have relatively low debt loads because we would expect them to increase the dividend," says DAVID RAJALA, director of equity management at ONE FEDERAL ASSET MANAGEMENT CORP. One of Mr. Rajala's favorite low-debt companies is ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND. (WSJ, 10/2)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"We're relieved that a [federal budget] package was finally put together that avoided the train wreck of sequestration and will lead to an opportunity for the Fed to lower interest rates and keep economic growth going," says JERRY JASINOWSKI of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/1)

"With [FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN] GREENSPAN worrying about inflation that's what really heightens the risk ... that the economy is not just flat, but is drifting downward and will begin to accelerate," says DAVID BLITZER, chief economist for STANDARD & POOR'S. "At this point, the Fed seems very stubborn: They're fighting inflation." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/1)

The proposed budget agreement is probably two-thirds real and one- third smoke and mirrors, says DAVID BOSTIAN, managing director at JESUP JOSEPHTHAL. Most important will be the Fed's reaction to the five year, long term plan to cut $500 billion out of the deficit. Pointing to recent rallies in the bond market Bostian says, "If long term interest rates come down, that in itself will help. The Fed ... wants to follow interest rates down rather than lead." With continuing Fed concern about the dollar and inflation, Bostian sees an easing of only eighths and quarters in funds rate. "But there could be a discount rate cut later this year." (CNBC "World Business", 10/2)

"Trading volume [in the bond market] was light partly because people can't decide if this is just a temporary drop in oil prices or the beginning of a more pronounced slide," says LAWRENCE LEUZZI, a managing director at S.G. WARBURG & CO. Investors, he says, remain leery of bonds because of the "erratic" attitude of Iraqi President SADDAM HUSSEIN. "He's conciliatory one day, then sabre-rattling the next, which in turn sends ripples through the oil and credit markets." (WSJ, 10/2)

"I don't think the bond market gives [the budget agreement] much credence,"

says WAYNE WONG, manager of fixed-income investments at MARINVEST INC. "I don't think there's a lot of positive things you can say." (WSJ, 10/2)

THE ECONOMY:

"I think the economy is essentially flat," says DAVID BLITZER, chief economist for STANDARD & POOR'S. But he does not think that we have entered a recession. "We're going no place in a hurry," says Blitzer. He forecasts only a fifty-fifty chance of a widespread decline that he would define as a recession. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/1)

"There's a pervasive gloom over the whole economy," says ROBERT EGGERT, editor of "Blue Chip Economic Indicators." ("USA Today", 10/2)

The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PURCHASING MANAGEMENT index of economic activity which fell to 44.4% "is certainly consistent with the idea that we are in a recession," says NEAL SOSS, chief economist with the FIRST BOSTON CORPORATION. "The fact that business does not have a sense of confidence in the economy is reflected in order declining. And there is the inflationary backdrop of the oil shock that has clearly affected the economy." (NYT, 10/2)

Construction spending stalled in August and remains at a low level. "There's a lot more weakness to come," says DARRYL DELANO, an economist with CAHNERS ECONOMICS in Newton Mass. "Confidence is the major problem we have across the board right now. Confidence is certainly at the lowest point we've seen in a long time." (NYT, 10/2)

"If you get the price [of oil] up as a result of war fears, it doesn't take much towards the possibility of a different sort of outcome to cause a selloff " says STEPHEN SMITH of BEAR STEARNS. But Smith points out that even a peaceful resolution may not lead to oil prices falling to their pre-crisis levels. "Whether SADDAM HUSSEIN pulls out or whether he is forced out, I think there's a good chance that the Kuwaiti oil capacity may well be impacted." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/1)

IN WASHINGTON:

"I've had to compromise," says PRESIDENT BUSH in a news conference on the budget accord. "The Democrats have had to compromise. And I hope that other voices who are troubled by one aspect or another of this [budget agreement] would also compromise. Every once in a while you come to a time when you have to do that to get something done." (NYT, 10/2)

"The budget package is not all that good," says SUNG WON SOHN, chief economist for the NORWEST CORPORATION of Minneapolis. "I'm somewhat disappointed. The general consensus in the financial markets is that this is not enough." (NYT, 10/2)

ROBERT DiCLEMENTE of SALOMON BROTHERS says the budget agreement "has some teeth in it, but some of them are false." DREW LEWIS, chairman of the BUSINESS ROUNDTABLE, says the agreement has plenty of specific provisions to criticize, but that "there's enough serious deficit reduction in the package for all of us -- business included -- to support it." ("The Washington Post", 10/2)

"If I had to give three words to describe [the budget accord], it would be 'ha ha, ha,'" says MARSHA ZERCOE, vice president and fixed- income portfolio manager at PROVIDENT CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC. She described the economic assumptions underlying the plan as "a bit of a joke." (WSJ, 10/2)

"Put me in the show-me category" about the budget accord, says STEPHEN MORRELL chief economist at SOUTHEAST BANK in Miami. "It's a menagerie of tax increases and heroic assumption about [lower] interest rates and higher economic growth." ("USA Today", 10/2)

The SUPREME COURT has declined to review a FEDERAL RESERVE order that allows bank holding companies to sell insurance in states that allow such sales. The action denied an appeal from independent insurance agents. ("USA Today", 10/2)

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ORANGE, CA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Shelly Associates Inc. and VTN Corporation jointly announced that their Philippine Joint Venture Company, Precious Metals Mining and Development Corporation, has purchased an option to acquire the mining claims, known as the Golden River Claims, adjacent to its claims, ACJ-1 & ACJ-2, in the Paracle Gold District of the Philippines. These new claims are believed to increase the ore reserves of the company to over 10,000,000 Troy ounces of gold (at $400 per Troy ounce that is over $4,000,000,000 of aggregate ore reserve value). In May of 1990 Precious Metals; reopened the underground tunnels of ACJ-1 and ACJ-2 to rehabilitate what was the largest pre-World War II gold mine in Asia. From Precious's original claim area the underground geological work to date has proven out over 350,000 ounces of gold reserves and highly probable reserves of an additional 1,250,000 ounces, with additional possible reserves of over 1,500,000 ounces. With this major claim addition the management of the Philippine Joint Venture believes that from the geological indications shown, the vein extensions should increase their total ore reserves by over 700 percent.

Initial estimates of cost to produce an ounce of gold from this mine are $190 per ounce. This is due to two factors: 1) the low cost of labor in the Philippines ($6 per day for a qualified miner), and 2) the high content of gold in the ore body, approximately 11 grams of gold per ton of ore, which is 20 times richer than the average U.S. gold mine.

Shelly Associates Inc. has a 16 percent interest in the Philippine gold

venture and VTN Corporation has a 10 percent interest. Shelly Associates interest in the project is held through a California corporation, "Gold Properties Restoration Co. Inc."

Gold Properties Restoration Co. Inc. has received a Letter of intent from the Burbank Investment Securities firm of Toluca Pacific Securities to underwrite 1,000,000 shares of Gold Properties Restoration Co. Inc. at $5.00 per share. The new share offering is scheduled for later this year or early 1991 and the capital raised will be used to develop the Philippine gold mining project.

CONTACT: Daniel C. Montano, chairman of VTN Corp., 714-547-4100

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PROVIDENCE, RI (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - NESTOR, INC (NASDAQ: NEST) today announced operating results for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Dr. David Fox, president and chief executive officer of NESTOR, in commenting on the results, stated "We are disappointed with the operating results of the company in fiscal 1990. Several important contracts and licenses, which had been projected to generate revenue in the second half did not take affect until after year-end. For example, the DARPA neural chip development contract announced in the third quarter of fiscal 1990, began very slowly with total billings of less than $90,000 between January and June. Anticipated billings during FY91 on this contract alone are expected to exceed $500,000. Two months after the close of the fiscal year, the company's cash position was helped by an investment in NESTOR by SLIGOS,SA, a financial services firm headquartered in France. As a result, our balance sheet is stronger than it has been, and we now believe our anticipated revenue stream, combined with our present liquid assets, will meet our requirements through the end of the current fiscal year, and beyond.

"Total expenses for the year were about $95,000 greater than last year. This 2.8 percent increase in annual expenses should not be viewed as a trend. On the contrary, expenses in the final quarter were $331,000--or 30 percent --less than the prior quarter. This improvement was achieved through the cost-cutting measures adopted by the company at the end of the third quarter."

All NESTOR products are based on adaptive information- processing systems that "learn" from experience. The company's products are taught to recognize complex configurations of data, and to interpret input patterns.

NESTOR INC.
SELECTED OPERATING RESULTS
Year Ended
June 30 (Audited)

1990	1989

Total Revenues	$ 1,173,345	$ 1,363,952
Interest Income	86,496	184,136
Net Income (Loss)	(2,121,224)	(1,742,078)
Net Income (Loss) Per Share	($0.32)	($0.29)
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	6,646,742	6,061,543

CONTACT: David Fox of NESTOR Inc., 401-331-9640, or Burton Arkin, of Arkin Associates, 212-935-9650, for NESTOR Inc.

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#90275p0348 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - London International Group plc (NASDAQ: LONDY) today announced that its common shares, in the form of sponsored American Depositary Receipts, will begin trading on the NASDAQ National Market System today. London International is a leading manufacturer and marketer of high quality health and personal products, latex gloves and photoprocessing services.

Alan Woltz, chairman and chief executive officer, commented, "We are pleased to further increase our presence in the U.S. market with a full listing. We already have a number of shareholders in the U.S. and believe that listing on NASDAQ will build on our international shareholder base."

London International reported last June that for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990, pre-tax profits increased 20.5 percent to $60.2 million on sales of $579.6 million -- an increase of 14.1 percent. The company has 131 million shares outstanding and a share to ADR ratio of 5:1. There is no intention to offer new shares in conjunction with the listing at this time.

London International is a world leader in its businesses of health and personal products and photoprocessing services. It is the global leader in branded condoms, and holds leading worldwide market share in health and beauty aids and latex gloves for household, industrial, surgical and dental use. In the United States, London International's brands include Ramses, Sheik and Fourex condoms, the Biogel brand of surgical and dental gloves, and the Cook Bates line of personal care implements. It is also the largest independent photoprocessor in Europe.

CONTACT: David Harbut, finance director of London International, in London, 011-4471-489-1977; or Jennifer R. Wall or Ken Donenfeld of D. F. King & Co., in New York, 212-269-5550, for London International

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HARRINGTON PARK, NJ (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Officials of United Water

Resources (NYSE: UWR) said yesterday that the timing of the proposed merger and sale of Pennsylvania Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ: PENT) and its subsidiary, Pennsylvania Gas & Water Company (PG&W), has required an extension of the deadline for consummating the transaction. The transaction includes the merger of PEI and PG&W into NUI Corporation (NYSE: NUI) and UWR's purchase of the water operations and related assets of PEI and PG&W.

UWR officials said that while the transaction is moving forward, the progress has been slower than they anticipated when the acquisition agreements were signed on April 23.

Accordingly, the agreements, as amended, call for the transaction to be consummated on or prior to Dec. 15, 1990; provided that such termination date will be extended up to 32 days if on or prior to Dec. 15, 1990 (i) certain approvals of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) are obtained and (ii) all other conditions to the parties' obligations have been satisfied or waived. The transaction must be consummated no later than Jan. 16, 1991, however. The agreements had called for the transaction to close by Oct. 1, 1990, and provided for an extension up to December 1 if all required approvals except those of the PUC were achieved by October 1.

The companies delayed meetings, originally scheduled for late September, at which their shareholders were to vote on the transaction. A new meeting date for UWR is likely to be in November, or as soon as practicable, and will be announced at a later date. NUI and PEI have announced new shareholder meeting dates. The Asset Purchase Agreement signed on April 23 provides for United Water's acquisition of the water operations and related assets of PEI and PG&W for approximately $220 million, subject to adjustment for several factors including among others, the level of expenditures associated with the construction program currently under way by PEI. United Water anticipates that it will require about $248.5 million to finance the acquisition. The consummation of the transactions is conditioned upon receipt of regulatory approvals, stockholder approvals and certain other conditions.

United Water is a holding company whose principal subsidiaries, Hackensack and Spring Valley water companies, provide water service to about a million residents of northern New Jersey and southern New York.

United Water has about 16 million shares of common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Martha Green of United Water Resources, 201-784-9434 or evenings: 201-487-0011.

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#90275p0352 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

PURCHASE, NY (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - PepsiCo, Inc. (NYSE: PEP), today announced that through its Mexican snack food subsidiary, Sabritas S.A. de

C.V., it has acquired over 70 percent of the stock of Empresas Gamesa for approximately $300 million. Empresas Gamesa is a holding company which owns 68 percent of Mexico's largest cookie manufacturer, Grupo Gamesa ("Gamesa"). Through a tender offer, the majority of these shares have been purchased as of today. The remaining shares are held publicly.

"We were attracted to this opportunity for making a significant investment -- our second largest international food acquisition -- by Mexico's considerable economic progress and its government's commitment to free market policies," said Wayne Calloway, chairman and chief executive officer of PepsiCo, which has operations in 160 countries around the world. "This acquisition solidifies PepsiCo's position as one of the most important food companies in Mexico."

Gamesa has been a leading manufacturer of cookies in Mexico for over 30 years and currently holds more than a 50 percent share of the Mexican cookie market. Cookies represent about 75 percent of Gamesa's sales with the balance coming from other food operations.

Sabritas, Mexico's leading snack chip manufacturer, has been operating successfully in Mexico for more than 20 years. About 75 percent of its sales prior to this acquisition were derived from snack chips. The remaining sales are from sweet snacks under the Sonrics brand name.

Sabritas is a unit of PepsiCo Foods International (PFI), the international snack food business of PepsiCo, Inc. PFI is the leading international snack food company in the world, with worldwide retail sales of $3 billion and an estimated 25 percent share of the international snack food market.

PepsiCo, Inc., has long had a major presence in the Mexican market and employs more than 14,000 people in Mexico. Pepsi-Cola soft drinks have been manufactured and sold there for more than 50 years and PepsiCo's Pizza Hut and Kentucky Fried Chicken businesses have been in Mexico for more than 20 years.

J.P. Morgan & Co. acted as PepsiCo's financial advisor and InverMexico executed the open market purchase through a tender offer on the Mexican Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Kenneth Ross of PepsiCo, 914-253-2725.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) today said that it has completed a program to repurchase approximately 12 million shares of its common stock.

Delta paid approximately $813 million for the shares, an average price of

approximately $67.76 per share.

CONTACT: Delta public relations, 404-765-2531

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#90275p0355 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The Coca-Cola Company (NYSE: KO) announced today that it plans to report third quarter earnings on Oct. 17. Roberto C. Goizueta, chairman of the Board and chief executive officer, said, "The Company's third quarter results will be excellent, reflecting continued strong growth momentum in worldwide soft drink volume and earnings."

The Company also said that in the third quarter it recorded a pre-tax profit of approximately $52 million on its investment in BCI Holdings, Inc., resulting from BCI's sale of the Beatrice Company.

The Company also recorded certain non-cash charges of approximately $49 million related to its U.S. soft drink business. These charges primarily reflect accelerated amortization of certain software costs due to management plans to upgrade and standardize information systems, as well as adjustments to the carrying value of certain fountain equipment.

CONTACT: Randy Donaldson of The Coca-Cola Company, 404-676-3853

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PERTH, Western Australia (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Bond Brewing Holdings Limited ("BBH") today announced that it has accepted for purchase and payment pursuant to the tender offer by BBH's wholly owned subsidiary, Dimola Pty. Ltd. ("Dimola"), all 12-5/8 percent extendable subordinated debentures of BBH (representing approximately 88 percent in principal amount outstanding of debentures) validly tendered prior to 10:00 p.m., New York City time, on Oct. 1, 1990 (the old expiration date) and not withdrawn.

BBH stated that Dimola had extended the offer until 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Tuesday, Oct. 16, 1990 (the new expiration date), and increased to 100 percent the principal amount outstanding of debentures it is offering to purchase. Dimola also announced that it has accepted for purchase and payment all debentures otherwise validly tendered prior to the old expiration date and not withdrawn, but which were not accompanied by a properly executed agreement and release (representing approximately 10 percent in principal amount outstanding of debentures), subject to the condition subsequent that a properly executed agreement and release be delivered to the depositary. Debentures tendered after the old expiration date may be withdrawn prior to 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Tuesday, Oct. 9, 1990.

Debentures validly tendered between the old expiration date and the new expiration date and not withdrawn will be purchased as received from time to time after the opening of business, New York City time, on Wednesday, Oct. 10, 1990.

BBH also announced that all conditions to the tender offer have been either satisfied or waived. However, it remains a requirement to effecting a valid tender that debentureholders execute and deliver to the depositary an originally executed agreement and release. Tendering debentureholders who require assistance as to this requirement or proper tender procedures in general are advised to contact Hill and Knowlton, the information agent, or Bankers Trust Company, the depositary.

Pursuant to the tender offer, tendering debentureholders whose debentures are purchased pursuant to the tender offer will receive a purchase price amount equal to US$700 less accrued interest for the six-month periods ended Nov. 30, 1989, and May 31, 1990 (including interest to the special payment date on such overdue installments of interest). Accordingly, tendering holders whose debentures are purchased pursuant to the tender offer will receive US$564.41 per US$1,000 principal amount in payment for their debentures. In addition, all debentureholders of record as of the old expiration date (whether or not they have tendered debentures) will receive US$135.59 per US$1,000 principal amount in payment of the interest installments described above.

CONTACT: James Rawlings, 212-223-4202, for Bond Brewing Holdings.

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COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Automotive Corp. (NASDAQ: PKRA) announced today that it has received an order for more than $8,500,000 U.S. of its CarbonClean products for delivery to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Poly-Ker Co. of Budapest, Hungary will distribute a portion of that equipment in the Republic of Georgia and in cooperation with the Consul Co., a state-owned enterprise. Poly-Ker will distribute elsewhere in the U.S.S.R. through other state-owned enterprises.

The order calls for the goods to be shipped by Jan. 1, 1991 and for Parker Automotive to receive payment in U.S. dollars via wire transfer or irrevocable letter of credit. Subject to receipt of financial documentation, the company considers the order to be firm.

Concurrently, Parker Automotive Corp. (PAC) received a letter of intent executed by Jozsef Leeb, managing director of Poly-Ker, to distribute approximately $35,000,000 U.S. in CarbonClean products throughout the U.S.S.R. over the next year.

The letter of intent calls for a formal distribution agreement to be finalized before Nov. 10, 1990, and Leeb will be visiting PAC's Costa Mesa headquarters in mid-October to conclude negotiations.

PAC was awarded the order at a government-attended symposium in Kiev, Ukraine S.S.R. on Sept. 28, 1990, where Tim Taylor, senior product engineer represented the company.

"Environmental issues are paramount in the U.S.S.R. and Eastern Europe today," said Michael E. Parker, chief executive officer of Parker Automotive Corp. "We have been told by representatives of various Soviet governmental agencies that over $21 billion U.S. have been committed to environmental issues between now and December 1990. Evidently, the Soviet people are serious about trying to clean up the air they breathe -- which in now the dirtiest in the world," continued Parker.

CarbonClean is a patented system that cleans fuel system contaminants from internal combustion engines. Currently distributed in more than 60 nations, the CarbonClean product family has been tested and approved by numerous independent agencies worldwide. In each case, CarbonClean proved to reduce exhaust emissions by up to 90 percent, and to restore fuel economy and engine performance -- in some cases -- to manufacturer's specifications.

In addition to its corporate headquarters office in Costa Mesa, Calif., PAC has manufacturing facilities in Fountain Valley, Calif., and maintains sales offices worldwide.

CONTACT: Diane Parker, VP-Corporate Communications, of Parker Automotive 714-641-1515.

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TORRANCE, CA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - International Technology Corp. (NYSE: ITX) (IT) announced today that it has completed the acquisition of MetaTRACE Inc.'s (MetaTRACE), analytical laboratory located in St. Louis. In accordance with the terms of the previously announced definitive agreement, IT acquired certain assets of MetaTRACE, a wholly owned subsidiary of TRC Companies Inc., for $4,500,000 in cash.

MetaTRACE's laboratory, employing approximately 60 people, contains a complete range of analytical testing equipment to perform testing of hazardous and mixed waste substances.

"The acquisition of MetaTRACE strengthens the geographical coverage of IT's laboratory network and provides additional mixed waste capacity to capture a significant share of the projected high growth mixed waste analytical market,"

said Murray H. Hutchison, chairman and chief executive officer.

International Technology Corp., based in Torrance, is a leading environmental management company providing services to government and industry. The company's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ITX.

CONTACT: Anthony J. DeLuca of International Technology Corp., 213-378-9933

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WESTWOOD, MA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Graham Miller, president and chief executive officer of LTX Corporation (NASDAQ: LTXX), announced today the appointment by the board of directors, of William S. Edwards as a Vice President of LTX Corporation. He is responsible for Customer Service and Network Integration Products.

Edwards joined LTX in April 1984 as Director of Network and Information Products. Prior to joining LTX, he spent 13 years with Nixdorf Computer in Burlington, Mass., where he held various management positions, most recently as Director of Technical Support.

LTX Corporation is a leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of computer-controlled equipment for testing linear, digital and mixed-signal devices. For integrating the total production environment, from engineering through final test, LTX offers multi-platform networking and information products. Headquartered in Westwood, Mass., LTX has worldwide sales and service facilities to support its customer base.

CONTACT: R. Scott Higgins of LTX Corporation, 617-461-1000.

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#90275p0365 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Lawrence J. McCabe was today appointed vice president-general counsel responsible for all legal matters of H.J. Heinz Co. (NYSE: HNZ), the company said.

McCabe, 55, formerly served as vice president-associate general counsel of H.J. Heinz Co.

Benjamin E. Thomas, 60, has been appointed corporate secretary and assistant general counsel.

S. Donald Wiley, 63, senior vice president, general counsel and secretary, has retired after 34 years of distinguished service to the company. He also retired from the board of directors of H.J. Heinz Co., where he served for 18 years. He will remain a trustee of the H.J. Heinz Co. Foundation and will become vice chairman of its board of trustees.

McCabe joined H.J. Heinz Co. in 1966, was promoted to assistant general counsel in 1972 and named director of legal affairs in 1975. Earlier in his career he was a corporate attorney for Duquesne Light Co.

He received his B.A. degree from Pennsylvania State University in 1957 and his J.D. degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 1960.

McCabe is a member of the American, Pennsylvania and Allegheny County Bar associations. Active in professional affairs, he is a member of the Corporation, Banking, Business Law and International Sections of the American Bar Association.

Married and the father of five children, McCabe lives in Wexford, Pa. Thomas joined H.J. Heinz Law Department in 1968, having been admitted to practice in 1958. He is a member of the American Bar Association, Allegheny County Bar Association and the American Society of Corporate Secretaries.

Thomas holds B.A. and L.L.B. degrees from the University of Pittsburgh. Married and the father of three children, Thomas lives in Mount Lebanon, Pa.

CONTACT: L. Michael Kelly Jr., 412-456-3840, or John E. Kennedy, 412-456-3586 of Ketchum Public Relations; or D. Edward I. Smyth, vp-corporate affairs,

412-456-5780, or Debora S. Foster, 412-456-5778, of H.J. Heinz Co.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Humana Inc. (NYSE: HUM) expects to report earnings per share of approximately $3.00 for the year ended August 31, David A. Jones, chairman and chief executive officer, told investment analysts at a meeting here today. Announcement of complete results for fiscal 1990 is scheduled for next week.

Humana had net income of $255,987,000 or $2.56 per share a year ago. The 17 percent earnings increase was achieved from operations of the integrated hospital and health plan company, Mr. Jones said. Income resulting from a favorable settlement in a federal tax case was used primarily to establish reserves for possible losses arising from the deteriorating financial condition of an unrelated professional liability insurance carrier, to fund charitable contributions, and for an early extinguishment of debt.

"This will be the 21st time in 23 years as a public company that Humana has achieved an increase in earnings per share despite economic recessions, changes in strategy, and the ever-present uncertainty of the level of government funding," Mr. Jones said.

Revenues for the year increased 19% to approximately $4.8 billion from $4.1 billion a year earlier.

Humana, based in Louisville, Ky., owns and operates 84 hospitals and has approximately 1.2 million members in health benefit plans for employee groups and Medicare beneficiaries.

CONTACT: Charles E. Teeple of Humana Inc., 502-580-3613.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Pride Petroleum Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: PRDE) President and Chief Executive Officer Ray H. Tolson today announced that the company has completed an asset purchase for 31 well servicing rigs for a combination of cash and Pride stock. This is the ninth asset purchase of rigs the company has made in the past 12 months and brings Pride's rig count to 409. Although further terms of the transaction were not disclosed, Tolson reported that related annual revenues are approximately $8 million.

The well servicing rigs and other equipment were purchased from OK Well Service and South Texas Swabbing. The rigs are operated from locations in Freer, Victoria, Corpus Christi and Kenedy, Texas and enhance Pride's competitive position in the South Texas market. The crews and management

have joined the Pride organization.

Pride Petroleum Services, Inc., headquartered in Houston, is the second largest well servicing contractor in the United States. The company currently operates in east and west Texas, along the Texas/Louisiana Gulf Coast, in California and New Mexico.

CONTACT: Eugene C. Fowler VP and CFO of Pride Petroleum Services, 713-871-8567; or Pat Hoyt of Hoyt & Associates, 713-665-2549, for Pride

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RARITAN, NJ (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - A long-term, co-marketing and development agreement has just been reached between Johnson & Johnson subsidiary Ortho Pharmaceutical Corp., the leading U.S. pharmaceutical firm in women's reproductive health, and Akzo Health Care Division's subsidiary Organon, a marketing leader in oral contraceptives in Europe and other important markets, it was announced today by Ortho.

The agreement gives Ortho rights to co-market, in the United States and Canada contraceptives and hormone replacement therapy (HRT) products containing Organon's desogestrel, a new synthetic version of the female hormone, progesterone. Hormone replacement therapies are indicated for the prevention and treatment of menopausal symptoms and osteoporosis.

In Europe and a number of the other important markets, Organon has market leadership with its desogestrel-based oral contraceptive and is successfully launching other versions of it. In the United States, Organon Inc. based in West Orange, N.J., expects to apply for FDA approval for the first desogestrel-based oral contraceptive around the end of this year.

Organon Inc. will receive exclusive rights to a new, uniquely formulated oral contraceptive developed and registered in the United States by Ortho. With the introduction of this product later this year, Organon will initiate the first phase of its plan to enter the women's healthcare market in the United States. This is intended to lead up to the launch, after FDA approval, of the first desogestrel-based oral contraceptive.

Outside the United States and Canada, Organon will license desogestrel technology data to Ortho, allowing Cilag, another Johnson & Johnson pharmaceutical subsidiary, to independently develop and market certain desogestrel-based products.

For selected countries in Europe and Latin America, Organon will receive co-marketing rights from Johnson & Johnson affiliate Janssen Pharmaceutica, to both an anti-depressant and a neuroleptic drug.

Also included in the overall agreement is the exchange of rights to certain diagnostic technology between the parties' diagnostic divisions.

Ortho Pharmaceutical Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson (NYSE: JNJ), is based in Raritan. Ortho is the leader in developing and marketing women's healthcare products for 50 years. With 83,000 employees, Johnson & Johnson is the world's largest and most comprehensive manufacturer of health care products serving the consumer, pharmaceutical and professional markets. In the year 1989, sales were $9.78 billion.

Organon is part of the Health Care Division of Akzo N.V., a diversified chemical company based in Arnhem, the Netherlands. Akzo's 1989 sales exceeded $9.0 billion. In the United States and Canada, it employs more than 10,500 people. Its ADRs (American Depository Receipts) are traded on NASDAQ.

CONTACT: Rich Salem of Ortho, 201-218-6136.

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DALLAS (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Harken Energy Corporation (NYSE: HEC) ("Harken") of Dallas and Frontier Holdings Inc. ("Frontier") today announced that their respective boards of directors have approved a letter of intent for Harken's wholly owned subsidiary, E-Z Serve Holding Company, Inc. ("E-Z"), to acquire Frontier's wholly owned subsidiary, Frontier Oil Corporation ("FOC") of Denver. FOC and Harken Marketing Company ("HMC"), E-Z's wholly owned refined products marketing subsidiary, would be operated under E-Z, which will be renamed Frontier Refining and Marketing Company ("FRMC").

This transaction would result in Harken owning a majority of the FRMC common stock, with the Frontier stockholders receiving a combination of FRMC common stock and FRMC preferred stock. Harken and Frontier hope to finalize their due diligence and complete definitive documents to close this transaction within the next 60 days, subject to appropriate regulatory and other approvals.

FOC is engaged principally in the business of crude oil refining and wholesale marketing of refined petroleum products. It owns and operates a crude oil refinery (the "refinery") located in Cheyenne, Wyo. with a rated capacity of 38,000 barrels per calendar day ("BPD"). HMC retails and wholesales gasoline and other refined products primarily through approximately 800 outlets in predominantly rural locations in Sunbelt states.

The Refinery is competitively advantaged because it is capable of utilizing up to 80 percent of its capacity to refine heavier, less costly sour crude oil into lighter, more valuable petroleum products such as gasoline and diesel fuel.

FOC also owns a 25,000 BPD undivided interest in an 87-mile crude oil pipeline

running from Guernsey Station, Wyo. (the major Rocky Mountain pipeline terminal point) to Cheyenne, near the Refinery.

Harken Energy Corporation (NYSE: HEC) manages and develops energy assets. HEC retails, wholesales and distributes gasoline through its subsidiary, Harken Marketing Company. Through its subsidiary, Tejas Power Corporation, HEC constructs, owns and operates natural gas gathering, storage and transmission facilities in Texas and Louisiana and markets third party gas to a variety of end-users. HEC explores for, develops and produces oil and gas reserves domestically through its subsidiary Harken Exploration Company and internationally through its subsidiary Harken Bahrain Oil Company. HEC provides contract drilling and workover/well services through its subsidiary, Harken Resource Management Corporation.

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The Unit Companies has announced it has acquired the Lentz Warehousing & Distribution Co., a provider of warehousing and logistics services headquartered in Winston-Salem, N.C., for an undisclosed amount. Lentz is the largest such operation in the Winston-Salem and Greensboro area with 18 facilities comprised of approximately 2.5 million square feet.

"The economic and political climate in North Carolina and its growing manufacturing base are extremely favorable for maintaining and expanding Lentz's existing customer base," said Warren P. Powers, chairman, chief executive officer of The Unit Companies.

"A comparatively high proportion of Lentz's business is based on long term contracts of a year or more, which support our strategic objectives. It also brings Unit into an exciting new market and exposure to additional customer groups," Powers commented. "In addition to normal logistics services such as warehousing and transportation, Lentz provides a wide variety of value adding services such as inspection, weighing, sorting, pricing, packaging, labeling and coding," he added.

The Unit Companies, a subsidiary of GATX Corp. (NYSE: GMT) Chicago, is the nation's largest provider of contract and public warehousing services. Based in Jacksonville, Fla., Unit offers its customers a full range of warehousing, distribution and related services including storage, transportation, handling, packaging inventory control, just-in-time delivery and data systems support. GATX Corp. is a $3-billion asset-based services company which provides financial, maintenance and management services related to rail, aircraft, bulk liquid storage terminals, warehousing and shipping. GATX Corp. (GMT) is

listed on the New York, London and other stock exchanges.

CONTACT: Holly Rea of GATX Corp., 312-621-6493.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR) announced that it is terminating its agreement to sell radio stations WMJI (FM) (Cleveland) and WYHY (FM) (Nashville, Tenn.) to LBI Holdings, Inc. as a result of LBI's breach of its obligation to consummate the transaction in accordance with the terms of the agreemeent. LBI had agreed to pay a total consideration of approximately $31,250,000 in cash for these stations. Jacor has initiated steps to collect the $1,500,000 deposit made by LBI.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network, and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

CONTACT: R. Christopher Weber or Jon M. Berry, 513-621-1300; both of Jacor Communications, Inc.

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PINE BROOK, N.J. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Cistron Biotechnology, Inc. today announced record sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Sales for the year were $1.1 million, an increase of 17 percent over 1989's figure of $945,631. Net income for the year was $188,434 versus $301,391 in 1989. Substantially all of the 1989 income was the result of a one-time licensing fee of $300,000.

The gross margin on sales for the year rose to 64 percent from 60 percent and operating expenses were reduced by 11 percent from 1989.

Fourth quarter sales were $276,227 compared with $249,981 last year. Net income was $30,173 for the quarter versus $30,211 the prior year, marking the sixth consecutive quarter in which the biotechnology company has been profitable.

Cistron emerged from Chapter 11 bankruptcy in May of this year. Most creditors received a 100 percent cash payment and the remaining claims were paid through granting of stock options, issuance of 1,075,000 shares of common stock and secured notes payable over the next two years.

Cistron's primary product area is immune system regulators, known as

lymphokines. The company manufactures and sells lymphokine assay kits to pharmaceutical companies and academic institutions in the United States, Europe and the Far East for cancer, arthritis and other autoimmune disease research.

Cistron is developing additional lymphokine products which the company expects to introduce during fiscal 1991.

CISTRON BIOTECHNOLOGY, INC.

Three months ended June 30:	1990	1989 (Unaudited)
Net sales	$ 276,227	$ 249,981
Earnings before income taxes	30,173	30,211
Income taxes	2,791	12,066
Extraordinary credit -- tax loss carryforward	2,791	12,066
Net income	30,173	30,211
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	21,870,899	21,324,597

Twelve months ended June 30:	1990	1989 (Unaudited)
Net sales	$ 1,104,553	$ 945,631
Earnings before taxes	188,434	301,391
Income taxes	66,000	120,375
Extraordinary credit -- tax loss carryforward	66,000	120,375
Net income	188,434	301,391
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	21,870,899	21,324,597

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM (NYSE: IBM) today announced DisplayWrite(A) 5 Composer, a new page layout program designed to complement DISPLAYWRITE 5, the company's full-function word processor for the Disk Operating System (DOS) environment.

With DisplayWrite 5 Composer, personal computer users can create sophisticated documents that incorporate text, fonts and graphics. The program also includes 50 pre-defined stylesheets for creating newsletters, reports and proposals.

"As a standard in large corporations, DisplayWrite has always delivered the right tools for advanced text handling," said Tom Fornoff, manager of editor

marketing for IBM Desktop Software. "Now users can enhance those documents with graphs, charts and images using DisplayWrite 5 Composer."

Previously available only in the Operating System/2(A) (OS/2)(A) environment, DisplayWrite 5 Composer requires an IBM Personal Computer or Personal System/2(A) (PS/2)(A) with at least an 80286 microprocessor and 528 Kb of available memory.

The DisplayWrite family of word processing products for the personal computer also includes DisplayWrite 5 for DOS, DisplayWrite 5/2 for OS/2 and DisplayWrite 5/2 Composer for OS/2.

DisplayWrite 5 Composer will be available within a week, and will ship with DisplayWrite 5 included for a suggested price of $595. Licensed users of DisplayWrite 5 can add DisplayWrite Composer for a suggested price of $125. Upgrades for licensed users of DisplayWrite 3, 4, and 4 version 2 are priced at $200.

For more information on DisplayWrite, users can call 800-IBM-7699.

(A) -- DisplayWrite, Operating System/2, OS/2, Personal System/2 and PS/2 are trademarks of the International Business Machines Corp.

CONTACT: Steven Malkiewicz of IBM, 914-642-5449.

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GREENVILLE, SC (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Carolina First Corporation (NASDAQ: CAFC) and American Federal Bank (NASDAQ: AMFB) announced Tuesday they have reached an agreement in principle under which Carolina First will purchase the two offices of American Federal in the City of Anderson.

"Carolina First is excited to be entering a market that has demonstrated the dynamics of Anderson," said Mack Whittle, President and Chief Executive Officer of Carolina First. "We are especially pleased because Anderson is the birthplace of our Chairman Emeritus Thomas C. 'Nap' Vandiver. Nap began his banking career in Anderson over fifty years ago in his uncle's bank and is excited about our entry into this upstate market. This acquisition also gives us the opportunity to enter the Anderson market with a well-established base of customers and an experienced staff. As the result of this transaction Carolina First will gain access to a new market, increase its deposits, and open up an excellent loan market, all with minimal impact on profitability and capital."

The sale price was not disclosed. The sale has been approved by both Boards of Directors and is subject to regulatory approval. The offices are scheduled to change hands in the spring of 1991. The two branches are the

North Main Street office, which was opened in 1982, and the Shockley Ferry Road office, opened in 1983.

After completion of this acquisition Carolina First Bank will have over $250 million in assets with four offices in Greenville, two in Anderson and one in Georgetown County at Litchfield Beach. In addition, Carolina First Corporation operates a federally-chartered savings and loan, First Federal of Georgetown, with $120 million in assets with two branches in the city of Georgetown, one in Andrews and one in Pawley's Island.

Roy Abercrombie, President and Chief Executive Officer of American Federal, said his institution remains committed to a major presence in northeastern Anderson County, with branch offices in Williamston, Piedmont and Powdersville. He said those three branches are more closely tied to the bank's primary market area of Greenville, Spartanburg, and Pickens MSA.

Carolina First Corporation is a $360 million asset financial company consisting of Carolina First Bank, a state-chartered bank headquartered in Greenville and of First Federal Savings and Loan of Georgetown, a federally-chartered savings and loan. Both are full-service, community-oriented financial institutions offering a broad range of commercial and consumer banking services. The company operates, through its subsidiaries, four offices in Greenville County and five in Georgetown County. The company was organized in 1986 following an October initial public offering of stock. Through this offering, $15 million in capital was raised, earning Carolina First the distinction of being the largest bank holding company created in South Carolina. It's stock is traded on the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol CAFC. Market markers of Carolina First Corporation include J.C. Bradford, Interstate/Johnson Lane Securities and Robinson Humphrey Company, Inc. It is widely traded stock with over 2 million shares and over 2,500 outstanding shareholders.

CONTACT: William S. Hummers, III, Carolina First Corporation, 803-255-7900

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WOODBURY, NY (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Comverse Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: CMVT) announced the signing of an exclusive distribution agreement with COMPTA Equipamentos E Servicos De Informatica, S.A. COMPTA will market Comverse's TRILOGUE voice and facsimile message management systems in Portugal.

Brian Wiltshire, president of Comverse International, stated that, "This signing represents the eighth significant international distribution agreement consummated by Comverse as part of its major international penetration. COMPTA now joins GPT (U.K.), Ascom (Switzerland), GPT (Australia), Oki (Japan) Voice Data Systems (the Netherlands), Nokia (Finland) and TriGem (Korea) as OEMs of Comverse's TRILOGUE." Kobi Alexander, president and chairman of the

board of Comverse, added, "We are particularly pleased with this agreement, since Portugal is one of the fastest growing economies in Europe and is planning major improvements in its telecommunications in general and in value added services and equipment, such as TRILOGUE, in particular. COMPTA is a major distributor of telecommunications and computer equipment and also distributes, amongst others, for CODEX, Motorola, Northern Telecom and Sony."

Vitor Assuncao, chairman and CEO of COMPTA, stated that, "COMPTA is very well positioned in the CPE market as a leading PBX sales organization and has strong existing business relationships with Portugal's three PTTs (telephone companies). We, therefore, believe that TRILOGUE will represent a very significant part of our future revenues and profits."

Comverse, located in Woodbury, N.Y., develops, manufactures and markets high performance computer systems for commercial and defense communications applications, including multi-media message management systems under the name of TRILOGUE.

CONTACT: Kobi Alexander or Brian Wiltshire or David Chuchinsky of Comverse Technology, 516-921-0470

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - James P. Lennane announced today that the Delaware Chancery Court has set Oct. 9, 1990 as the hearing date for his suit to enjoin the consummation of the sale of approximately 42 percent of ASK Computer Systems' (NASDAQ: ASKI) common stock to the Hewlett-Packard Company (NYSE: HWP) (H-P) and Electronic Data Systems Corporation (EDS) unless the proposed transaction is first approved by a vote of ASK shareholders.

Ask has represented that it currently does not intend to close the sale of stock to EDS and H-P prior to Oct. 12, 1990. The hearing is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. on Oct. 9 before Chancellor William T. Allen.

Lennane, the owner of 1,282,100 Ask shares or about 9.7 percent of the outstanding common stock, filed the lawsuit last Wednesday, September 26.

Lennane's suit charges that the board's failure to obtain shareholder approval constitutes a breach of its fiduciary duty to Ask shareholders. Additionally, the suit contends that the proposed $60 million stock sale will violate National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD) by-laws and the company's listing agreement with NASD unless the transaction is first approved by a vote of Ask shareholders. These violations could result in a de-listing of Ask shares from the NASD National Market System (NMS).

Lennane's suit also claims that Ask management has undertaken a number of increasingly drastic entrenchment actions, which include adoption in August

this year of a Poison Pill and the proposed sale of stock to EDS and H-P. The suit specifically states that Ask's agreement with EDS and H-P further entrenches management by requiring EDS and H-P to vote in favor of Ask's board nominees and by requiring Ask to give EDS and H-P, at their option, one Ask board seat each.

Ask management has said that it intends to use the proceeds from the stock sale to finance, in part, Ask's proposed acquisition of Ingres Corporation (NASDAQ: RELY) at a total cost of $135 million, pursuant to its currently outstanding tender offer which is now scheduled to expire at midnight, New York time, on Oct. 12, 1990.

Lennane also announced that the Chancery Court granted his motion for expedited discovery and that pre-trial discovery has commenced.

CONTACT: Stanley J. Kay or Joseph F. Kern, Jr., of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for Ask Computer Systems

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Bemis Company (NYSE: BMS) announced today that it has completed the acquisition of Milprint, Inc., a Wisconsin-based flexible packaging manufacturer with annual sales of approximately $70 million. Bemis purchased the stock of Milprint for cash and a small portion of Bemis common stock.

John H. Roe, Bemis president and chief executive executive officer, said, "Milprint is an excellent addition to our coated and laminated film business, and enhances our position in several key markets."

Bemis Company is a Minneapolis-based manufacturer of flexible packaging and pressure-sensitive materials with sales of $1.1 billion. Its stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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#90275p0392 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

MT. HOLLY, N.J. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Franklin Electronic Publishers Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FPUB) announced today that Bruce S. Mendel has been named national sales manager-Software Division.

In his new post, Mendel will manage the sales activity for the Franklin software product line, which includes the popular LANGUAGE MASTER dictionary, as well as forthcoming products.

Franklin's LANGUAGE MASTER provides complete dictionary definitions for 80,000 words from Merriam-Webster and returns 1.4 million responses to 40,000 thesaurus entries. These responses include synonyms, antonyms, contrasted words, compared words, and related words. All synonyms are grouped together according to meanings and are returned in the same inflected form as they are entered. The LANGUAGE MASTER is available for DOS, Macintosh, and Windows and is compatible with Microsoft Windows 3.0 -- the operating environment of the 90s.

"Bruce is a high energy individual who will bring to Franklin a wealth of knowledge and experience in the area of software marketing. Under his leadership, we anticipate great expansion in the distribution of Franklin software," said Morton E. David, Franklin's chairman and chief executive officer. "The division's long term growth will be based on technology developed by Proximity Technology Inc., a Franklin subsidiary."

Previously Mendel served as regional sales manager of ABCO Distributors, and before that, as sales manager of Park Avenue Computer.

Franklin Electronic Publishers Inc., is the creator and leader of the electronic reference product category. With more than 3 million volumes sold throughout the world, Franklin publishes a library of 20 of the world's most authoritative, accurate and scholarly reference products including the popular Spelling Ace(R) spelling corrector, Wordmaster(R) electronic thesaurus, Language Master(TM) electronic dictionary, Spanish Master/ Maestro Ingles(TM) bilingual dictionary and electronic Holy Bible. Franklin's publication list is being broadened to include hand-held electronic versions of The Concise Columbia Encyclopedia and Bartlett's Familiar Quotations.

Franklin, founded in 1981, is a public company headquartered in Mt. Holly, whose common stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "FPUB."

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HICKSVILLE, NY (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael H. Epstein, an investment banker with Allen & Co. Incorporated, has been appointed to the board of directors of Metro Tel Corp. (NASDAQ: MTRO).

The announcement was made by Venerando J. Indelicato, president and chief executive officer of the firm, which manufactures telephone system test equipment and peripheral telephone equipment. At the same time, Indelicato announced that the company had signed a two-year agreement with Allen & Co. Incorporated whereby the latter, a long-established major investment banking

and underwriting firm, will serve as Metro Tel's financial advisor.

Epstein, with Allen & Co. for the past five years, had earlier been a managing director with Salomon Brothers. He was with that firm for 24 years, serving as a partner in charge of a trading department. Epstein currently serves on the boards of directors of Milfeld Trading Co. and Mini-Computer Systems, Inc. in addition to board memberships with several private firms and organizations.

In making the dual announcement, Indelicato stated: "We are pleased to have established this new working relationship with Allen & Co., both in that Mr. Epstein has joined our board and that the firm will be actively working as our financial advisor. Both their backgrounds in business and finance will be of immense help in moving our company toward maximizing its growth potential."

CONTACT: V. J. Indelicato, president of Metro Tel, 516-937-3420; or Hy Brodsky of Triangle Public Relations, 516-829-8050, for Metro Tel

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LAKE BUENA VISTA, FL (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Walt Disney World Co. has become the first company in the nation to assume total sponsorship of a school's dropout-prevention program, according to Orlando/Orange County Compact Executive Director James Blount.

Walt Disney Attractions President Dick Nunis today announced that the company will underwrite the entire cost of the Orlando/Orange County Compact dropout-prevention program for Dr. Phillips High School.

As a compact partner, Walt Disney World will supply 110 salaried employees to serve as volunteer mentors at Dr. Phillips, holding weekly one-on-one sessions to provide academic assistance, guidance and encouragement to students identified as at risk of dropping out.

In addition to sponsoring the mentors, Disney will pay the costs of providing a salaried, on-site Compact coordinator, career activities for the students, leadership training, mentor-training seminars, travel-related expenses, lecture series and supplies, which include a mobile classroom.

Florida Education Commissioner Betty Castor said Disney's contribution of both mentors and money will help to shift the business community's role into high gear in efforts to reverse Florida's dropout rate.

"The commitment of both the company and the employees who volunteer their time reflects a real concern for the future of our children and, indeed, of our state," said Castor. "We hope other companies will follow Disney's example."

Nunis said the company's decision to join Compact was based, in part, on the

program's approach -- involving business, education, government and the community to solve a problem which affects the state's future and touches many lives.

"We are very excited about the impact Compact can have on Florida's dropout rate and the individual lives of young people," Nunis said. "I can think of no better group of volunteers than enthusiastic Walt Disney World cast members to help students who might be considered potential drop outs discover thier real potential for success."

In addition to Compact, Disney is helping area students make the grade through the Challenge Center, a dropout-prevention-and-retrieval program operated by Disney and the Orange County School Board through Disney University. Challenge students receive employment (20 hours per week) and full benefits while completing their high school education at a special half-day school on Disney property.

CONTACT: Carole Munroe of Walt Disney World Press & Publicity department, 407-824-4531.

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MAYWOOD, NJ (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - AutoInfo, Inc. (NASDAQ: AUTO) announced today it has completed the acquisition of the operating assets and customer bases of ADDS/Locate, Inc. and Recyclers Computer Network, Inc. (RYCON), both privately held computer companies serving the auto dismantling industry. As a result of the transactions, AutoInfo becomes the largest supplier of computer systems to automotive dismantlers in the western United States.

ADDS, located in Los Angeles, and RYCON, located in Phoenix, provide inventory computer systems for about 80 auto salvage dealers throughout California, Arizona, Oregon, Washington and Nevada. AutoInfo, through its Checkmate(TM) and Orion Network divisions, is the nation's largest provider of computerized services to auto salvage dealers.

"These two transactions are important strategic moves which complement our earlier acquisitions of StarNet and Parts Locator, Inc." said Martin A. Rubin, president of AutoInfo. "Today over 400 auto salvage dealers in California utilize AutoInfo services. This compares quite favorable with under 100 dismantlers as of March, 1990."

AutoInfo provides communications and computer services to over 2,000 auto parts salvage dealers in 49 states and eight Canadian provinces. The company operates one of the largest satellite networks in North America and provides database services to major automobile insurance companies.

CONTACT: Scott Zecher of AutoInfo, 201-712-0020

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#90275p0406 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
WARREN, NJ (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Celgene Corporation (NASDAQ: CELG) has signed an agreement to work with General Electric Co. (NYSE: GE) on its program to degrade polychlorinated biphenyls (PCSs) in the Hudson River.

The purpose of the R&D contract with GE's Corporate Research and Development Center is to accelerate and optimize the effectiveness of bacteria in breaking down PCBs. The research results will be used by GE in a Hudson River demonstration project set for 1991.

"We know that natural bacteria in the sediments in the floor of the Hudson River are 'feeding' on PCBs," said GE's manager of corporate environmental science and technology, Stephen B. Hamilton, "and that we can accelerate the rate at which it happens." The research will focus on anaerobic bacteria -- those that need no oxygen to survive -- found on the river floor.

"One of Celgene's principal capabilities is the development of systems for the biological degradation of hazardous chemical wastes, particularly chlorinated compounds," said John L. Ufheil, president and chief executive officer of Celgene. "GE will utilize this capability to define optimal conditions in preparation for its 1991 test. We are proud to be a part of this important project."

Celgene (NASDAQ: CELG), based in Warren, N.J., is a chemical biotechnology company engaged in the development of fine and specialty chemicals and proprietary biotreatment systems to degrade hazardous wastes.

CONTACT: Dr. Thomas B. Lewis of Celgene, 908-271-1001, or Jack Batty of General Electric, 203-373-2044, for Celgene

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#90275p0407 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
THOROFARE, N.J. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Retailers, facing a downturn in consumer spending, are looking for viable strategies to increase the profitability of their operations.

Checkpoint Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: CHEK), the leading provider of Electronic Article Merchandising(SM) (EAM) systems, said it sees EAM systems as a key element in an overall strategy to increase retailer profitability.

To better understand retailers' strategic needs, Checkpoint is developing a proprietary database which will be used to manage information about the nation's retailers. The database which is called MAPS, stands for Market Analysis Profile System. According to Gerald W. Klein, president and chief

operating officer of Checkpoint, MAPS represents the company's continuing commitment to assist retailers and manufacturers in their efforts to increase sales with effective implementation of open merchandising strategies.

"With this database, we want to develop an in-depth picture of retailers and manufacturers. Armed with this knowledge, we will be positioned to help them improve their ability to merchandise products more openly without sacrificing any of the open merchandising benefits to shrinkage losses," Klein said. "Our Impulse(TM) program, a plan to add EAM targets to products at the point of manufacture or packaging, is an integral part of this overall strategy to help retailers increase profitability."

Using MAPS, Checkpoint will maintain ongoing communication with its expanding base of retailer and manufacturer contacts. The new database will contain such information as the location of individual retail accounts, the stores open merchandise practices, the loss prevention strategy used by a store, and the type of equipment used in price marking, scanning and printing. Additional information will include a priority list of product categories and items for which EAM is a necessity; comments from store managers regarding the integration of EAM with product warehousing, distribution, stocking and merchandising operations.

Checkpoint Systems Inc. is the leading developer and manufacturer of advanced microprocessor radio frequency-based security systems. Using detectable, paper-thin disposable circuits that can be de-activated remotely, Checkpoint Electronic Signature(R) systems identify items or people in retail, institutional, industrial and commercial applications. Checkpoint Systems Inc. is a publicly held company and is traded Over- the-Counter.

CONTACT: Glenda Laudisio of Checkpoint Systems, 609-848-1800, ext. 211

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#90275p0413 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc. (NCT) (NASDAQ: NCTI) today announced a joint development contract with a major worldwide air compressor manufacturer.

The agreement provides NCT with substantial funding to apply active noise and vibration control technology to silence air compressor products.

"The potential revenue to our company provided by the integration of our technology into products sold into the $4 billion air compressor market is enormous," said John J. McCloy, chairman of NCT. "More importantly, we are pleased to have the help and support of a market leader to ensure our success in the market."

NCT's core technology is a process-control microcomputer which cancels

repetitive low-frequency noise and vibration. The system analyzes the structure of unwanted noise or vibration, predicts the waveform, and then generates "anti-noise" -- a waveform exactly 180 degree out of phase with the source. Based on the scientific principle of destructive interference, the original noise or vibration and the anti-noise cancel each other out when they meet.

Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc. is a world leader in active noise and vibration abatement. A publicly traded company, NCT trades its common stock in the NASDAQ market under the symbol NCTI. The company owns worldwide patents for the process and application of active noise and vibration cancellation to a variety of industries. NCT is headquartered in New York City with domestic research and development facilities in Linthicum, Md. and an overseas facility in Cambridge, U.K.

CONTACT: Irene Lebovics of Noise Cancellation Technologies, 212-560-1275, or Jordan Chanofsky of Technology Solutions, 212-505-9900, for Noise Cancellation Technologies

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MELVILLE, NY (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Arrow Electronics, Inc. (NYSE: ARW) announced today that its board of directors has established Oct. 15, 1990 as the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to receive the regular quarterly dividend on Arrow's depositary shares (each representing one-tenth share of Arrow's $19.375 convertible exchangeable preferred stock). The dividend, which is payable Nov. 1, 1990, amounts to $.484375 per depositary share (equivalent to $4.84375 per share of convertible exchangeable preferred stock).

CONTACT: Robert E. Klatell, senior vice president of Arrow Electronics, 516-391-1300.

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#90275p0416 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Financial News Network ("FNN") (NASDAQ: FNNI) and Tele-Communications Inc. ("TCI") (NASDAQ: TCOMA) today announced a long-term agreement where the nation's largest MSO will continue to carry FNN broadly throughout its cable systems across the country.

In making the announcement, Gil Faccio, FNN's senior vice president of affiliate relations, said, "The commitment of TCI was considered an integral part of our network's plan for continued growth and we are thrilled to have the long-term support of this industry leader."

Peter Barton, TCI's senior vice president, added, "Financial News Network is a

great company which brings important and timely information to the nation. We have been extremely pleased with the evolution of FNN; they've met and continue to exceed their promises of high quality programming."

Financial News Network provides three services to more than 35 million homes on 3,500 cable systems throughout the United States and Canada. The services are FNN:Business (business news and personal money management advice); FNN:SPORTS (sports information and events); and FNN:Data Broadcasting (real-time stock market quotes and information). The network operates a business radio service and owns a majority position in The Learning Channel.

CONTACT: Brian Lewis of FNN, 212-891-7518; or Peter Barton of Tele-Communications, 303-721-5500

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#90275p0420 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH WINDSOR, CT (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Cardinal Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: CDNI) has announced today the sale of all of its interest in its subsidiary, CDF Building Products Corporation of Harrison Ave., White River Junction, Vermont to Bird Roofing Products, of Norwood, Mass.

Cardinal Industries, Inc. is a distributor servicing the Northeast. Through its Building Supply segment comprised of Seaboard Plywood & Lumber Company of South Windsor, Cardinal distributes quality building materials and millwork to independent and multi-store merchandisers. Cardinal's Industrial Supply segment, Cardinal Supply includes outlets in Providence, R.I., Bridgeport and Hartford, Conn., Milford, Mass., Syracuse and Schenectady, N.Y. distributes industrial supplies and fluid power supplies to industrial users.

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#90275p0421 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, CO (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - NBI Inc. (NYSE: NBI) today announced the signing of one of Italy's leading software republishers, MicroBusiness Italiana, to republish and distribute Legacy, NBI's recently introduced advanced word processing, page layout and graphics package for Windows 3.0.

MicroBusiness Italiana, the republishing company of Editrice Italiana Software (EIS), will republish and distribute Italian and English versions of the Legacy software.

In making the announcement, Stephen G. Jerritts, NBI president and chief executive officer, stated, "This partnership with MicroBusiness Italiana expands our international distribution and supports our objective of distributing Legacy throughout Western Europe.

Based in Milan, Italy, MicroBusiness Italiana is a subsidiary of Editrice Italiana Software. EIS is the master distributor and republisher for Fox Software Inc., Gupta Technologies Inc. and Symantec Corp.; as well as the leading Italian distributor for Ashton-Tate Corp. and Lotus Development Corp.

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In the United States, Legacy is available through authorized resellers at a suggested retail price of $495. It requires Microsoft Windows 3.0 and MS-DOS 3.2 or higher; an IBM AT or compatible (80282 or 80386 CPU) or IBM PS/2; 640K of RAM (1-2 MB recommended); EGA, VGA or other Windows-compatible display; and a Windows-compatible mouse. For more information, users can call 1-800-NBI-1111.

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CONTACT: Carole Kimminau of NBI, 303-938-1042, or Lori Cross of White & Cromer, 714-752-2216, for NBI.

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WALTHAM, MA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Instrument Systems (AMEX: THI) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase, through September 1991, of up to $5 million of its own shares or convertible debentures issued or assumed by it, in the open market when securities are available at prices the company considers attractive.

Thermo Instrument Systems develops, manufactures, and markets analytical instruments used to detect and monitor air pollution, radioactivity, complex chemical compounds, and toxic metals and other elements in a broad range of liquids and solids. The company also provides environmental science and engineering services, laboratory- based testing, and nuclear health physics services. Thermo Instrument Systems is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

CONTACT: John N. Hatsopoulos of Thermo Instrument Systems Inc., 617-622-1111.

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BOYNTON BEACH, FL (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Dextran Products Ltd., a subsidiary of Polydex Pharmaceuticals Limited, (Polydex) (NASDAQ: POLXF), announced today a memorandum of understanding entered into with Global Telecommunications, Inc. of Bridgewater, N.J. and its partner BEV (Asia) Ltd. of Hong Kong (henceforth "Partner") under which Dextran agrees to the transfer of its iron dextran technology to a joint venture to be formed by the Partner in China for the manufacture and marketing of iron dextran products. Dextran Products is located in Scarborough, Ontario.

The Partner and the Shanghai Veterinary Pharmaceutical Company (SVPC) intend to form a joint venture (JV) to manufacture 5 percent, 10 percent, and 20 percent iron dextran in China. The JV will be responsible for product marketing in China and the Pacific Rim countries of the products from the JV in Shanghai. Dextran will have a certain percent of the equity of the new joint venture, the exact amount to be determined during the final negotiations of the new venture. For its contribution in technology and know-how in iron dextran production, Dextran will be entitled to a royalty payment, technology transfer fee and commission on sales which are subject to negotiation between the JV and Dextran.

The JV formation has recently been initiated by the Partner. Thomas C. Usher, chairman of Polydex and Dextran, stated it is anticipated that signing of the preliminary technology transfer agreements with the JV will take place sometime in November in Shanghai. Dextran further intends to enter into a formal agreement with the JV when the JV is established by the Partner and SVPC. In commenting on the favorable impact that this agreement will have on Polydex, Usher stated that the potential market for iron dextran in China exceeds the combined market of the rest of the world.

The shares of Polydex are traded in the over-the-counter market and are also listed on the Boston Stock Exchange (PXL).

CONTACT: Thomas C. Usher, chairman and CEO of Polydex Pharmaceuticals, 407-738-6972 or Ron Como & Associates, 212-227-3010 for Polydex

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CROWLEY, TX (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Aztec Manufacturing Co. (NASDAQ: AZTC) announced today the acquisition of substantially all of the assets of The Calvert Company, Inc. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed. Calvert, based in a suburb of Jackson, Miss., manufactures and sells bus ducts, which convey electrical current and are marketed primarily to the power generation industry and secondarily to industries which use large amounts of power such as the transit, pulp and paper, steel, refinery and glass industries. Calvert had revenues of approximately $7 million for the first 10 months of its current fiscal year.

Aztec currently operates five galvanizing facilities, two facilities equipped for the end finishing of oil field tubing and drill pipe, a job shop precision machine operation and a manufacturer and assembler of industrial lighting products.

CONTACT: Dana Perry of Aztec Manufacturing, 817-297-4361.

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#90275p0429 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - CarePlus, Inc. (NASDAQ: CPLS) today announced that it has renegotiated its credit facilities to increase available capital at more favorable borrowing rates. The company's revolving credit facility has increased to $10 million, and the interest rate has decreased to prime from 1/4 percent over prime. As of today, the company has no outstanding borrowings on its revolving line.

A separate $5 million financing package for acquisitions and capital expenditures is also available at 1/4 percent over prime. The co-lenders on both credit facilities are Southeast Bank, N.A. and the Daiwa Bank, Limited.

"These expanded credit facilities give CarePlus the flexibility to meet its current operational needs and future expansion and acquisition plans," remarked Bob L. Wood, chairman and CEO of CarePlus.

CarePlus is a national provider of high-tech infusion therapy, treating patients requiring chemotherapy, nutritional feeding through either a vein or a tube, intravenous (I.V.) antibiotic therapy, pain treatment, fluid administration, and other home infusion therapies.

CarePlus, Inc. common stock is traded on the National Market System under the symbol: CPLS.

CONTACT: Gary Reich of CarePlus, Inc., 305-493-6464

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#90275p0432 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeion Corporation (NASDAQ: ANGN) has announced the appointment of William H. Ham as president and chief operating officer. Ham will be responsible for the day-to-day operations of Angeion, reporting to chairman and chief executive officer Wendell L. King.

Ham, who will assume his responsibilities Oct. 8, has nearly 20 years of experience in the medical products industry, particularly in operations and product development.

In announcing the appointment, King said: "I've known Bill for nearly 20 years

since our days at Medtronic, and I have the highest regard for his abilities. Angeion has grown so quickly that we need to have a separate person in charge of the day-to-day operations. Bill's arrival will allow me to focus more on the longer range, big-picture aspects of developing the company."

"I'm delighted to join Angeion at this exciting time," said Ham. "I look forward to working closely with Wendell and senior management to move Angeion further toward its goal of becoming a world-class manufacturer of cardiovascular products."

Ham comes to Angeion from Johnson & Johnson Professional Diagnostics, where he served from 1988 to the present, most recently as vice president and acting general manager.

He spent 14 years at Medtronic, Inc. from 1972-86, where he progressed through a series of increasingly responsible engineering management positions, culminating with director of research and development.

Ham earned a bachelor of science degree, with high distinction, in electrical engineering from the University of Minnesota in 1976. He received an associate of applied science and electronics technology degree from Iowa State University in 1968.

Minneapolis-based Angeion Corporation is a manufacturer of cardiovascular products. Under its subsidiary AngeLase, it is currently engaged in the research and development of a catheter which would provide a nonsurgical cure for arrhythmia. Angeion's current core business target is the angioplasty accessory market.

Angeion is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ANGN and on the Boston Stock Exchange under the symbol ANI.

CONTACT: Perry Ketchum of Ketchum & Metz, Inc., 612-925-1924, for Angeion Corporation.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Gralla Publications' Contract Design and Facilities Design & Management will become partners in a new media network, announced Mark Gross, publishing vice president of Gralla's Real Estate, Design & Technology Group. "The purpose of this network partnership is to increase our market share and visibility by delivering the entire commercial interior design market through one comprehensive package," says Gross. "Both publications will be under one sales force, which will enhance our delivery of this market."

The network will be directed by Carrie Enfield, current publisher of

Facilities Design & Management. Enfield will provide leadership for both Contract Design and Facilities Design & Management in their new positions as network partners.

Most of the benefits of the commercial design network will be immediately evident: total market coverage of architects, designers, dealers, facilities managers and corporate executives; increases in advertising cost efficiency; expanded merchandising opportunities; consistent and complimentary editorial; and one sales force representing both publications.

"We are building a fresh new identity within the industry," Gross notes. "We are confident of the expanded niche we serve and the opportunity it presents to our readers and advertisers."

CONTACT: Erica Landesman, 212-869-1300 ext. 2625, or Carrie Enfield, publishing director, 212-869-1300 ext. 2392, both of Gralla CO

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#90275p0435 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Mayne Nickless Limited announced today that N.R. Clark has accepted an invitation to join the board, effective today.

Clark recently retired as managing director of the National Australia Bank which he first joined in 1946.

He is also a director of Boral Ltd., IBM Asia Pacific Advisory Board, Graduate School of Management Ltd. Clark will continue as executive director and consultant to the National Australia Bank until July 1991.

The chairman of the board, Bruce Redpath, said, "Mr. Clark will bring to Mayne Nickless the advantage of his vast business knowledge and experience gained throughout a long and very distinguished career in the banking industry.

"The board is delighted that Mr. Clark has been able to accept the invitation to join and I am certain that the company will benefit enormously from the contribution that Mr. Clark will make in his new capacity."

CONTACT: Ian Greenshields of Mayne Nickless, Australia, 03-868-0704

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#90275p0441 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW HYDE PARK, NY (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Uniforce Temporary Personnel, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: UNFR) today announced the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend of 3 cents per share on shares of its common stock, 1 cent par value, payable Nov. 3, 1990 to holders of record on Oct. 19, 1990.

The company, under its trade name, Uniforce Temporary Services, is a national network of 110 predominantly licensed offices providing temporary personnel in the general and automated office, marketing, accounting and technical service and light industrial categories.

CONTACT: Harry Maccarrone, vice president and CFO of Uniforce, 516-437-3300

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#90275p0443 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, CO (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - NBI Inc. (NYSE: NBI) today announced the signing of Ingram Micro D to distribute NBI's recently introduced advanced word processing, page layout and graphics package, Legacy. Under terms of the agreement, Ingram Micro D will begin distributing the Windows 3.0 software program to resellers immediately in the U.S. and Canada.

In making the announcement, James Pachak, NBI vice president of sales, stated, "The addition of such a widespread distributor as Ingram Micro D reinforces Legacy's penetration into the reseller channel and greatly enhances our ability to deliver Legacy to the Microsoft Windows end-user community."

"We're extremely pleased to have NBI's Legacy software as part of our Windows product line," said Bruce Fredrickson, Ingram Micro D vice president of marketing. "The NBI/Microsoft tie-in is a further step in satisfying our resellers needs not only for Microsoft Windows but also for sophisticated applications, such as Legacy, which fulfill and extend the promise of Windows."

Legacy is a comprehensive word processing, page layout and graphics package. Compared with other advanced word processing packages, the depth of page layout and typographical controls and robust architecture in Legacy enable easier, faster creation of high-impact documents containing text, graphics and data.

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Ingram Micro D Inc. is one of the world's largest distributors of microcomputer products, marketing and distributing more than 7,000 products from over 500 of the world's top hardware manufacturers and software developers. It serves as a wholesale distributor to over 40,000 reseller customers in the U.S., Canada and Europe. The company is headquartered in Santa Ana, Calif. and achieved sales in excess of $1 billion in 1989.

Based in Boulder, NBI designs and markets advanced word processing software

packages. A leader in the word processing industry for more than a decade, NBI also provides customer service and support to a wide base of system users in domestic and international locations.

Microsoft is a registered trademark and Windows is a trademark of Microsoft Corp.

Legacy is a trademark of NBI Inc.

CONTACT: Carole Kimminau of NBI Inc., 303-938-1042; or Lori Cross of White & Cromer for NBI Inc., 714-752-2216.

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#90275p0447 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST CHESTER, PA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Roy F. Weston Inc. (NASDAQ: WSTNA) (WESTON) today announced that the Jacobs-WESTON team has been selected to provide architecture and engineering services for the groundwater remediation phase of the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) $100 million Uranium Mill Tailings Remedial Action (UMTRA) project.

WESTON is a primary teaming partner with Jacobs Engineering in this $100 million contract, which is valued at approximately $30 to $40 million to WESTON over five years.

This contract, which was competed, will be a follow-on to the current Jacobs-WESTON contract which has been providing technical assistance to the UMTRA project since 1982. The cost-plus-fixed fee contract is to be negotiated in 1990, with the award expected about the end of February 1991. The contract will cover a basic two-year period with three one-year options.

The UMTRA project is a cooperative effort by DOE and the affected states and Indian tribes to perform remedial actions at 24 uranium mill tailing sites and associated vicinity properties where radioactive tailings have been used in building foundations and other properties.

"We believe this is a definite reaffirmation of our qualifications to support the U.S. Department of Energy's environmental restoration program. With this contract we look forward to administering new technologies in groundwater restoration of heavy metals and radionuclides," said David Lechel, vice president, Southwest Operations.

WESTON is a recognized leader in the environmental engineering, design and consulting industry. As a full-service environmental and health and safety firm, WESTON provides nationwide analytical laboratory services, consulting and engineering, remediation, facility construction and operations, technical information management and major program management services.

WESTON is headquartered in West Chester, and operates a network of four analytical laboratories and 44 offices, including Los Angeles, Houston, Chicago, Atlanta, Boston, New York and Washington, D.C.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - NaTec Resources, Inc. (NASDAQ: NATC) announced that it has received a letter from Advance Ross Corporation (NASDAQ: AROS) rejecting a revised merger proposal which it made to Advance Ross on Sept. 25. Under terms of the rejected proposal, NaTec would have issued a sufficient number of common shares (based upon the closing price of NaTec common stock on the day its initial proposal was made to Advance Ross) to give Advance Ross shareholders a value of $14.00 per share.

The proposed exchange would have represented an approximately 44 percent premium over the closing price of Advance Ross common stock on the same day. NaTec also offered to construct a floating exchange rate to assure Advance Ross shareholders a premium at various prices of NaTec shares. In addition, NaTec expressed in its letter a willingness to increase its offer if additional sources of value were discovered during due diligence.

Advance Ross, in its letter, stated that it has concluded that there is no basis for a transaction involving NaTec stock which is in the best interest of Advance Ross shareholders. In view of this, NaTec has decided not to take any further action at this time.

Soc Christopher, chairman of NaTec, said "We are disappointed at the response of Advance Ross. We felt it was a fair and generous offer and consistent with the previously announced objectives of Advance Ross and their financial advisors."

NaTec is committed to the control of pollutants commonly associated with acid rain. The company provides consulting engineering, injection system installation, operations and maintenance services, and processed sorbent supply. Primary markets are utility and industrial power including pulp and paper and refining.

CONTACT: Glenn Hobratschk of NaTec Resources, 713-552-2156.

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#90275p0458 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANDUSKY, OHIO (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Cedar Fair, L.P. (NYSE: FUN) today announced combined attendance at its two amusement/theme parks for the just-ended 1990 operating season.

Richard L. Kinzel, president and chief executive officer of Cedar Fair Management Company, the managing general partner of Cedar Fair, L.P., reported that combined 1990 attendance at Cedar Point and Valleyfair parks was the second highest in the partnership's history and totaled 4,130,000, 4 percent below the record 4,310,000 achieved in the previous year. Cedar Point in Sandusky, Ohio and Valleyfair, near Minneapolis/St. Paul, concluded their 130-day and 120-day operating seasons Sept. 30. The partnership does not disclose specific attendance figures for either park.

"We are very satisfied with the attendance results achieved in the current year in light of the unusually poor weather this past summer, particularly on weekends, and especially following a year in which very popular new roller coasters were introduced at both parks," Kinzel said. The partnership announced last month that it expected record results in 1990 and had increased its annualized cash distribution rate by 16 percent to $1.45 per limited partner unit.

Kinzel also reported that capital expenditures at Valleyfair for the 1991 operating season have now been finalized and will total $2.5 million, including a 36-hole Adventure Golf attraction and a 1,500-foot Grand Prix-style go-kart track. Both of these will be extra-charge amusements located adjacent to the Minnesota park. Cedar Fair previously announced plans for $9 million in capital expenditures for the 1991 operating season at Cedar Point, including a $7.5 million world-record wooden roller coaster. Named Mean Streak, the new coaster will be 160 feet tall and travel at speeds over 65 mph, giving Cedar Point the highest and fastest roller coasters in the world in both steel and traditional wooden structures.

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#90275p0464 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Reuters Holdings PLC (NASDAQ: RTRSY) has signed a new marketing agreement with Effix Systemes of Paris for the worldwide distribution of Effix's application software for the trading room.

The new agreement gives Reuters exclusive rights to market a suite to Effix products including intelligent workstations as part of Reuters Triarch 2000, already established as one of the world's leading digital trading room systems with over 115 sites installed. It supersedes a previous agreement, signed in 1989, for non-exclusive distribution of a more limited set of products.

This Effix workstation provides advanced facilities for the trader in today's volatile and unpredictable markets. Besides displaying information in an unlimited variety of formats, the software allows the user to plot graphs, run real-time updating spreadsheets, manage news alerts and create personalized

montage displays. A key feature is the Data Dictionary, which allows the trader to define a library of commonly used prices which can then be sourced by any application program.

The suite of software products run under Unix, a multi-tasking operating system standard supported by the majority of computer hardware suppliers. This gives the benefit of portability to the Effix applications and allows Triarch 2000 clients to choose their system hardware from a range of vendors according to their needs.

Triarch 2000 uses a local area network to distribute and manage data from market information vendors and clients' own computer systems. A standard facility know as the Source/Sink Library allows clients and third parties to develop their own application programs for further processing and analysis of trading opportunities.

Effix Systemes is a French software house which specializes in the development of front office trading applications. Since its formation in 1987, Effix has installed a number of dealing room systems in Paris and elsewhere in Europe.

Reuters Holdings PLC supplies the global business community and news media with a wide range of facilities including real-time financial data and transaction services, access to numeric and textual historical databases, news and news pictures. Reuters has a controlling interest in Visnews, the international television news agency, and Reuter Group companies design and install trading room systems. Reuters obtains information from around 160 exchanges and over-the-counter markets and from a network of 1,310 journalists photographers and cameramen. Reuters distributes information through approximately 200,000 video terminals and teleprinters. This includes information directly transmitted to clients' computers.

CONTACT: Robert A. Crooke of Reuters America, 212-603-3587, or Christian Nicaud of Effix Systemes, 011-42-67-87-87.

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MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesaba Aviation, Inc., which operates as Northwest Airlink, said today that it plans to increase service at its Detroit hub this fall.

Effective Nov. 15, Mesaba will add one round-trip flight from Detroit Metropolitan Airport to four airports; Kalazamoo, Mich.; Lansing, Mich.; Cincinnati, Ohio; and Columbus, Ohio. All of the new service will complement existing service currently provided between those market by Northwest Airlines Mesaba's major airline marketing partner. Mesaba already provides service to Kalazamoo, Cincinnati and Columbus from Detroit.

To accommodate its expansion, Mesaba will be leasing an additional 44 passenger Fokker F27, increasing the size of the carrier's fleet to 31 aircraft. On Nov. 15, the airline will be serving 38 cities in 10 states.

Mesaba operates as Northwest Airlink under a marketing agreement with Northwest Airlines. The two carriers provide connecting fares, schedules and marketing programs at Minneapolis/St. Paul, Detroit and Milwaukee airports.

CONTACT: Douglas P. Fulton of Mesaba Aviation, 612-726-5151.

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#90275p0468 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

GALVESTON, TX (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Hornbeck Offshore Services, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HOSS) announced today that it has purchased two offshore supply vessels, one 170 foot built in 1982 and one 185 foot built in 1979, both outfitted with the latest offshore equipment and capabilities.

Larry D. Hornbeck, chairman of the board and president, disclosed that the company paid $3,560,000 for the two vessels and the purchase was in keeping with Hornbeck's strategy of expanding its supply vessel fleet.

Hornbeck Offshore Services, Inc. owns and/or operates 32 vessels of which 22 are operating as supply vessels with the remaining 10 operated as geophysical, research, crew, utility and container hauling vessels.

CONTACT: Robert Hampton, vice president of Hornbeck Offshore Services, 409/762-8228.

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#90275p0475 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST CHICAGO, IN (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Inland Steel Co. said today that a fire caused by an overflow of liquid steel at the No. 1 Slab Caster at its No. 4 Basic Oxygen Furnace Shop (BOF) will disrupt steelmaking operations at that facility over the next several weeks.

The fire occurred about 2 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 30, when a small amount of liquid steel overflowed the caster mold, burned through high pressure hydraulic lines, and damaged electrical control equipment.

Two employees were treated for smoke inhalation; one of them also had minor burns.

The extent of the damages is not yet known, but most of the cost is expected to be covered by insurance.

Inland said it believes it will be able to return the Slab Caster to 60 to 70

percent capacity within one to two weeks, and that full service can be restored within six weeks.

The company noted that the No. 4 BOF Shop produces almost half of the steel output at its Indiana Harbor Works steel plant in East Chicago, Ind. Full utilization of its other steelmaking facilities there and the availability of inventories should enable it to meet customer requirements with minimum disruptions.

Inland Steel Co. is a subsidiary of Chicago-based Inland Steel Industries, Inc. (NYSE: IAD).

CONTACT: Robert Lefley of Inland Steel, 312-899-3170.

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#90275p0479 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Bank Corp. (NYSE: CBK) said today it expects to report net income in the range of $35-40 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

Third-quarter revenues increased over the second quarter, and operating expenses were reduced by Continental's recent product realignment. This action, announced June 26, adjusted the composition and capacity of the corporation's product mix in response to customers' changing demands.

Continental's key credit indicators are not expected to change substantially in the third quarter. Total non-performing assets are expected to decline from the $748 million reported at the end of the second quarter to about $720 million on Sept. 30. Within the third- quarter total, non-performing loans to less-developed countries (LDCs) should remain at or near their $218 million level at the end of the second quarter; non-performing loans for highly leveraged transactions (HLTs) should increase modestly from the $251 million reported on June 30; and non-performing real estate assets are expected to decline from $115 million on June 30 to approximately $60 million at the end of the third quarter, principally because other real estate owned was reduced from $75 million to less than $5 million during the period.

Also during the third quarter, Continental continued its several- year-old program to reduce the size of its balance sheet and improve liquidity. Quarter-end total assets are estimated to be $27-28 billion on Sept. 30, compared with $29.5 billion on June 30.

"The more intense the competition in the financial services industry, the more we believe in our business-banking focus," said Continental Chairman Thomas C. Theobald. "My personal belief in the strategy prompted me to buy 50,000 shares of our common stock in July."

Continental Bank Corp. is a market-driven bank holding company devoted to serving corporations, institutional investors and individuals with complex financial requirements. Through its subsidiaries, the corporation arranges financing, makes markets, manages financial risk and processes cash and securities on behalf of its customers in key capital markets worldwide.

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#90275p0481 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Prime Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PSAB), the holding company of Prime Savings Bank, fsb, has declared a dividend of 14 cents for each share of common stock payable Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 3.

In light of the problems confronting many banks and with some of the major money centers cutting dividends and even eliminating the dividends completely, Prime has continued to increase its dividends since its inception. In August, the company concluded its stock repurchase program by re-acquiring 69,145 shares, which has increased the book value per share in excess of the $27.73 reported at June 30, 1990.

Prime Bancorp Inc.'s common stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "PSAB." Its price at the close of business on Oct. 1, 1990, was $11.25.

Prime Bancorp Inc. is headquartered in Philadelphia. Prime Savings Bank, fsb, is a federally chartered savings bank, which is insured by the Savings Association Insurance Fund (SAIF), which is administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC). Prime had total assets of $334,748,000 and total deposits of $272,915,000 on June 30, 1990. The bank conducts operations in Philadelphia, Bucks and Montgomery counties through nine full-service offices.

CONTACT: Thomas P. Kirwin, vp and CFO of Prime Savings Bank, 215-742-5300

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#90275p0483 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - British Airways (NYSE: BAB) plans to double its Houston staff by 1992, it was announced here today by Sir Colin Marshall, the airline's deputy chairman and chief executive.

During a visit to the city - where British Airways maintains its major reservations facility servicing the western United States - Marshall noted that staffing levels could go from a current 175 to 300 by 1992.

"We are delighted with the progress we have made since our arrival in the Houston marketplace more than two-and-a-half years ago," he noted.

"Starting from square one - being the world's largest international airline but at the time unknown to Houston - the gateway gradually became a significant contributor to our North American profit," added Marshall.

In 1987 British Airways acquired British Caledonian Airways, which had previously served Houston, and made its first appearance on the route on April 1, 1988.

Today the airline, which is more than 30 percent owned by American shareholders and flies from 19 U.S. gateway cities, generates $250,000 a day in revenue from Texas.

British Airways also has more non-stop departures and capacity from Texas to London and beyond than any other carrier.

In August, the airline achieved a load factor of 82 percent from Houston against a worldwide average of 80 percent.

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#90275p0487 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, Md. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc. (CRIIMI MAE) (NYSE: CMM), a real estate investment trust specializing in insured, multifamily mortgage investments, and a subsidiary have commenced an exchange offer to acquire control of four insured mortgage investment partnerships (AIM funds) sponsored by bankrupt Integrated Resources, Inc.

The exchange offer, scheduled to continue through Tuesday, Dec. 18, 1990, unless extended, was detailed in a registration statement (including a prospectus/offer to purchase) which the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) declared effective on Friday, Sept. 28, 1990.

CRIIMI MAE Chairman William B. Dockser, in a letter being sent with the prospectus/offer to purchase to the 64,000 investors in the four AIM funds, says that the exchange offer provides AIM investors with the opportunity to choose new management for the AIM funds and the opportunity to choose one of two alternative investment vehicles.

Under the exchange offer, CRIIMI MAE and its newly formed subsidiary company -- AIM Liquidating REIT, Inc. (the liquidating company) -- offer investors the right to exchange interests in each of the four AIM funds for a deferred cash payment, plus shares in either CRIIMI MAE or the liquidating company. Ten

percent of the exchange value per unit will be paid in the form of the deferred cash payment and 90 percent will be paid in shares.

Investors holding a majority of interests of each AIM fund must tender their units for that fund to participate in the exchange offer. Approval of a majority of the outstanding shares of CRIIMI MAE is also required for the consummation of the offer.

Soon after the offer's consummation, CRIIMI MAE and the liquidating company intend to remove the Integrated-affiliated general partners and to acquire each of the participating funds.

The four Integrated-sponsored AIM funds, which in the aggregate held insured mortgage investments of more than $500 million at June 30, 1990, are American Insured Mortgage Investors (AIM 84), Integrated Resources American Insured Mortgage Investors - Series 85, A California Limited Partnership (AIM 85), American Insured Mortgage Investors L.P. - Series 86 (AIM 86) and American Insured Mortgage Investors L.P. - Series 88 (AIM 88).

CONTACT: James T. Pastore of CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc., 301-231-0323

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ATLANTA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) today announced plans to begin service between Los Angeles and Hong Kong on May 7, 1991.

The airline, which was designated by the U.S. government to operate over this route, said it expects to receive all requested approval from Hong Kong authorities soon.

Delta Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Ronald W. Allen said: "Hong Kong represents an important expansion of Delta's Pacific route system, and we welcome this opportunity to bring our service to one of the world's most dynamic cultural and business centers." Delta already flies to Tokyo, Seoul, Taipei and Bangkok from its Portland, Ore., gateway.

Delta plans to inaugurate its service on May 7, 1991, using the 213-passenger Lockheed 1011 international-range aircraft. This new Hong Kong service represents another major step in Delta's strategy to develop Los Angeles as its second gateway to the Pacific Basin. Delta expressed optimism that the final Department of Transportation decision in the U.S.-Japan Gateways Case will affirm the administrative law judge's recommended award of Los Angeles-Tokyo authority and Portland, Ore., to Nagoya authority to Delta.

Initially, there will be three roundtrip Los Angeles-Hong Kong flights a week with a stop in Anchorage. In late 1991, Delta will begin daily nonstop

flights featuring the new 264-passenger international-range McDonnell Douglas MD-11 aircraft. The new MD-11 will fly the 7,247-mile trip from Hong Kong to Los Angeles in approximately 12 hours and 15 minutes.

CONTACT: Delta public relations, 404-765-2533.

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#90275p0492 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Enviropact, Inc. (AMEX: ENV), today announced its opening of an additional Texas office in San Antonio. This location marks the second facility that Enviropact has opened in Texas within a year. The San Antonio office has been established to enhance Enviropact's responsiveness in the San Antonio and Austin area. This location will further allow the Corpus Christi staff to dedicate their efforts toward the environmental requirements in the Gulf region of the state.

In opening the San Antonio location, division manager Randy Reddick expects to increase market penetration and obtain high profitability through the facility's ability to provide environmental assessments and other consulting services.

In commenting on the announcement, Edward King, president of Enviropact, stated "the institution of the San Antonio office exemplifies the priority Enviropact places on most effectively meeting the regulated community's environmental service needs."

Enviropact, Inc., an environmental services organization, provides businesses with comprehensive services relating to their compliance with present and future environmental regulations. Services offered include: environmental audits, underground storage tank management, soil and groundwater restoration, laboratory analysis, asbestos management services, air quality services, and hazardous waste management. In Florida, the company presently has offices in Miami, West Palm Beach, Orlando, Jacksonville and Tampa Bay. The company also has an office in Yonkers, N.Y.; Greenville, S.C. and Corpus Christi, Texas.

CONTACT: Edward C. King of Enviropact, 305-362-8522, or John De Nigris of John De Nigris Associates, 212-532-5159, for Enviropact

-30- 1908
#90275p0494 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROCKLEIGH, NJ (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Delivering the maximum value for the dollar was Volvo's objective when they priced their 1991 product line. In spite of increase in content and declining dollar, Volvo's pricing has increased only 2.7 percent on a sales weighted average over the previous year. This means the average manufacturer's suggested retail price is still under $25,000.

On an individual model basis, the price changes ranged from -3.0 percent to +9.0 percent. The least expensive car in the Volvo line will be the 240 sedan with 5-speed manual transmission carrying a manufacturer's suggested retail price of $19,300.00. At the top of the Volvo model range is the limited production Bertone Coupe, of which fewer than 400 will be produced for 1991. It is priced at $41,945.00.

The new 940 line of sedans and wagons will replace last year's 760 series. Elegantly styled and fully equipped there are six individual members of the 940 range priced from $27,885.00 to $33,630.00.

All 1991 Volvos come equipped with a driver's side air bag, power assisted rack & pinion steering, 4-wheel power disc brakes, air conditioning, and a custom audio system. For 1991, the Volvo New Car Limited Warranty offers a full 3 year/50,000 miles of coverage. In addition, all Volvos will be protected by three years of On Call(TM), Volvo's trend setting 24-hour road side assistance program.

CONTACT: Bob Austin or Michael Guerra of Volvo, 201-768-7300

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#90275p0495 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

VENLO, THE NETHERLANDS (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Oce-van der Grinten NV (NASDAQ: OCENY) announced here today that executive board member J.V.H. (Harry) Pennings would become chairman of the executive board with effect Dec. 1, 1990 thus becoming the company's new chief executive officer as of that date with the departure of Henk Bodt who is taking up an appointment as member of the group management committee of the Philips Group (NV Philips Gloeilampenfabrieken).

Oce, an international manufacturer of design engineering and office systems copying systems, has its home base in Venlo, The Netherlands and North American headquarters in Chicago.

Pennings, 56, has been with Oce for 21 years. His current areas of responsibility as a long time member of Oce's executive board include commercial strategy and the group's operations in North America.

Oce is the parent company of an international group of companies renowned worldwide for advanced products and systems for the presentation of information on paper comprising: multi-volume copiers and copying supplies for standard and network office applications; copying and plotter systems for design engineering offices; printing and publishing systems; graphic film and photosensitive materials.

Oce's products and systems are largely developed, produced and marketed within

the group, which employs 11,000 people in 90 countries, and in some 20 of which it has its own operating companies.

CONTACT: Freek Meijer, treasurer of Oce-van der Grinten, 011-31-77-592240; or Ian Ogilvie, 212-945-0590, for Oce-van der Grinten.

-30- 1781

#90275p0501 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - RCI Long Distance has announced a new, easy to understand long distance service for businesses.

Called Simplicity, the new service offers a greatly simplified rate structure -- one rate for calls made to designated areas in the Northeastern United States and another for calls made to everywhere else in the country.

(Traditionally, a long distance call is rated by its point of termination: whether it's within or outside the caller's state, and according to which of seven "mileage bands" -- concentric circles indicating distance from the caller -- it falls into. This "banding" system makes it difficult for customers to anticipate the cost of a given call. Simplicity effectively eliminates state distinctions and mileage bands, making it easy for a customer to anticipate exactly how much a call will cost.)

In addition, Simplicity eliminates the traditional "evening" rating period (7 p.m. - 11 p.m.), so cheapest rates go into effect at 5 p.m. Callers are billed for every six seconds, not every minute, of use. There are no minimums or account fees, and higher-volume users can receive discounts of up to 15 percent of their total bill.

As a special introductory promotion, RCI is offering new customers a credit of up to $100, applicable to the customer's third RCI bill.

"Consumers are frustrated by being subjected to industry jargon, like 'mileage bands' and 'intrastate' versus 'interstate' rates," said Ronald L. Bittner, RCI chief executive officer. "Our customers are more concerned with measuring their savings than their mileage. RCI is taking the lead in de-mystifying long distance."

CONTACT: Robert DeRosa of Rochester Telephone, 716-777-8306.

-30- 1913

#90275p0504 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Pennzoil Co. (NYSE: PZL) has declared a quarterly dividend on its common stock of 75 cents per share, payable Dec. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

Pennzoil has paid quarterly dividends for 66 consecutive years.

CONTACT: Robert G. Harper of Pennzoil Co., 713-546-8536.

-30- 519

#90275p0505 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOLANA BEACH, CA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Chart House Enterprises Inc. (NYSE: CHT) announced the opening of a Chart House restaurant located at McCormick Ranch in Scottsdale, Ariz. This brings the openings to seven for 1990.

Paradise Bakery Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the company, also announced the opening of an additional retail bakery in Southern California. Six more units are projected to open by year end which will bring 1990 total openings to nine.

Chart House Enterprises Inc. operates 85 restaurants, including 65 Chart Houses, one Peohe's, 16 Paradise Bakeries and three Cork 'N Cleavers. The company's restaurants are located in 21 states, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. In addition, the company's franchisees operate 12 Paradise Bakeries in Northern California, Colorado, Arizona, Oklahoma and Oregon.

CONTACT: Harold E. Gaubert Jr., VP and CFO of Chart House Enterprises Inc., 619-755-8281.

-30- 1107

#90275p0513 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS, NV (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobil Corporation (NYSE: MOB) and Penske Corporation said today that Mobil will become an associate sponsor for Penske's championship auto racing team and the primary lubricants supplier for the thousands of trucks and cars in Penske's varied transportation services company.

The announcement was made here to more than 4,000 service station dealers and others attending Mobil's annual Dealer Convention. Roger Penske, president of the Penske Corporation, was here to participate in the introduction of the new relationship of the two companies.

The Penske Racing Team, which designs and builds its own cars and has won a record seven Indianapolis 500 races, eight national championships and 62 Indy Car events overall, will use Mobil synthetic technology for all lubrication, including Mobil 1 in the cars' Chevrolet Indy V8 engines.

"Auto racing's grueling and increasingly popular competition helps showcase the special capabilities of Mobil 1 synthetic engine oil and other lubricants resulting from leadership in synthetic technology," said Mobil marketing Vice President Robert J. (Bob) McCool. "We are particularly pleased to be teaming

with the dynamic and forward-looking Penske organization in an arrangement anticipating mutual business benefits extending beyond a top-flight racing effort."

Penske said, "We have been impressed with the quality and performance of Mobil lubricants through Mobil's supply relationship with Penske Truck Leasing. We plan to broaden this relationship through Detroit Diesel Corp. and our Retail Automotive Group, as well as our racing team."

The two executives indicated that, among other things, collaborative research and development efforts teaming Mobil and Penske technology could lead toward future-generation lubricants for the engines of tomorrow.

Mobil 1 synthetic automotive engine oil is a major product of pioneering Mobil synthetic technology that's been chosen for lubrication in spacecraft, many military and commercial jetplanes, nuclear submarines, and other demanding applications, as well as by an increasing number of motorists wanting better protection for their cars.

CONTACT: John Lord of Mobil, 703-846-2500.

-30- 2440

#90275p0514 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM (NYSE: IBM) today announced a series of new products enhancing its Advanced Function Printer (AFP) family, including the IBM 3900, the highest-speed printer IBM has ever announced. With today's additions, the IBM Advanced Function Printer family provides large-system customers a full range of printer options from high-speed cutsheet and continuous-forms printers to desktop models.

Advanced Function Printing software announced today enables customers to centrally manage all printing in their enterprise, and to integrate printing tasks with other system-based business solutions for increased productivity.

The new advanced function printers, along with currently supported page printers, can be attached (via 3270 controllers and adapters) to both System/370(A) and the recently announced System/390(A) processors.

New Printers and Printer Features New products announced today include: -- IBM 3900 Advanced Function printer -- a non-impact, continuous-forms printer that provides customers all-points addressable printing at speeds up to 229 impressions per minute (ipm) and up to 5.6 million standard 8-1/2-inch forms per month. -- IBM 3828 Advanced Function MICR printer -- a channel-attached, cutsheet duplex printer that does Magnetic Ink Character Recognition (MICR) printing at speeds up to 92 ipm and up to 2 million impressions per month using a 480-picture element (PEL) printhead. -- IBM 3835 MICR Post-Processing Interface -- an attachment to the 3835 control unit. This interface directs

appropriate MICR print fields to the Troy TMP 3835 MICR printer for cost-effective MICR solutions on applications that require continuous-forms output. This solution is provided to customers in cooperation with Troy, a division of Pierce Companies, Inc. -- IBM Advanced Function Image and Graphics Feature for the IBM 3825 and 3835 Page Printers -- a feature that enables these general-purpose printers to process compressed image and vector graphics. This feature also provides customers increased performance for existing text and raster image applications. -- IBM LaserPrinter 4028 Model NS1 -- an advanced function general-purpose letter-quality printer that attaches to the 3270 family of controllers and adapters. It prints text, images, graphics, barcodes and optical character recognition at up to 10 ipm and 20 thousand impressions per month with 300 PEL addressability. It is the newest member of the IBM LaserPrinter family and provides the same features as the LaserPrinters designed for the IBM PS/2 and AS/400. -- AFP support for the IBM 4028 Model NS1 enables customers to convert applications written for 240 PEL fonts and images to 300 PEL font and images used by the 4028. SAA Image Architecture enables the 4028 printer to perform resolution correction for these images.

CONTACT: Diane Whitehead of IBM, 914-642-4654.

-30- 3099

#90275p0520 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

ASHLAND, KY (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashland Oil Inc. (NYSE: ASH) today announced it will continue its commitment of supporting quality education through a new advertising campaign that stresses the importance of business-education partnerships in Minnesota.

According to Dan Lacy, Ashland Oil vice president of corporate communications, Ashland Oil will promote the Minnesota Academic Excellence Foundation (MAEF) in its campaign's print advertising as the resource for companies to contact for assistance in establishing business-education alliances.

Lacy said companies interested in forming partnerships should contact the MAEF which has agreed to serve as a resource and clearinghouse for partnerships. MAEF is a non-profit public-private education partnership based in St. Paul that was formed in 1983 to promote and recognize academic excellence in Minnesota's elementary and secondary schools.

With a campaign theme of "Better education is the bottom line," Lacy said that the 1990-91 program is the eighth consecutive year the company has focused its corporate regional advertising campaign on quality education. It is the third year the program will be run in Minnesota.

Ashland Oil's campaign, includes radio, print and television advertisements, which have just begun airing. The three television commercials used in the campaign were filmed earlier this year in Minneapolis and St. Paul and feature

talent from the area. James Productions Inc. of Minneapolis and director Denny Carlson produced the commercials.

The campaign will include a number of other education programs sponsored by the corporation. Ashland Oil again will award $25,000 in Teacher Achievement Awards to 10 Minnesota teachers for their teaching excellence. The company also intends to expand its "Recipes for Self-Esteem" program distributed statewide last year. "Recipes" is a teaching aid designed to build elementary students' self-esteem in Minnesota.

Ashland Oil Inc. is a diversified energy company, whose operations in Minnesota include 185 SuperAmerica retail outlets and its regional headquarters in Bloomington; 38 Valvoline Rapid Oil Change locations; a variety of retail locations carrying Valvoline products; an Ashland Chemical Inc. distribution facility in Shakopee and a plastics distribution plant in Burnsville; and an Ashland Petroleum Co. refinery at St. Paul Park.

Ashland Oil provides jobs to 3,043 Minnesota families and has investments of $242 million in fixed assets, land and inventory in the state.

CONTACT: Roger Schrum of Ashland Oil Inc., 606-329-4061.

-30- 2803
#90275p0524 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Associates Corp. of North America has called for redemption all of the 10-1/2 percent Senior Notes due Nov. 1, 1991, at a price of 100 percent of its principal amount, effective Nov. 1, 1990.

Payment of all the redemption price will be made on and after Nov. 1, 1990, by The Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A., if by mail, at Corporate Bond Redemption, P.O. Box 2020, 1 New York Plaza, 14th Floor, New York, NY, 10081; or if by hand, at Corporate Bond Redemption, 1 New York Plaza, 14th Floor, New York, NY. Interest accrued on the notes will be paid in the usual manner to Nov. 1, 1990 to holders of record as of Oct. 15, 1990.

Associates Corp. of North America is a consumer and commercial finance company and is part of the Financial Services Group of Ford Motor Co.

CONTACT: Randy J. Hicks of Associates Corp. of North America, 214-541-4652.

-30- 1053
#90275p0530 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) issued the following debenture pricing:

Date of Offering: Oct. 3, 1990

Price:	Par
Issue Date:	Oct. 10, 1990
Term:	10 years
Callable on or after:	10/10/93
Initial Redemption Price:	104.575 pct.
Interest Rate:	9.15 pct. Amount (millions): $700
Maturity Date:	10/10/00 Date of First Interest Payment
(then semi-annually):	4/10/91

The debentures of Oct. 10, 2000, are redeemable on or after Oct. 10, 1993, in whole or in part at the option of the corporation at any time (and from time to time). The redemption price payable on or after Oct. 10, 1993, initially will be a percentage of the principal amount redeemed equal to 100 percent plus one-half the coupon rate on the debentures, plus accrued interest on the amount redeemed. The redemption price will decrease on each succeeding interest payment date, as will be set forth in the Supplement to the Guide to Debt Securities information statement dated Aug. 8, 1990, relating to this offering. The amount payable at maturity will be equal to 100 percent of the then outstanding principal balance, plus accrued interest.

The net proceeds of this offering will be used to redeem in part the $750,000,000 of Series SM-1990-I, 10.15 percent debentures due Oct. 10, 1990.

Debentures will be issued in book-entry form only. The minimum purchase is $10,000 and multiples of $5,000 thereafter. The offering is being made through Fannie Mae's Senior Vice President - Finance and Treasurer Gary L. Perlin, and Vice President and Assistant Treasurer Linda K. Knight, 3900 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016, assisted by a nationwide selling group of recognized securities dealers.

The issues that are offered on Oct. 3, 1990, will be free to trade at 8:20 a.m. EDT.

CONTACT: Bonnie O'Dell of Fannie Mae, 202-752-6527.

-30- 2190

#90275p0536 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, CT (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Barry Blau & Partners, Inc. (NASDAQ: BLAU) today reported results for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, along with restated results for its 1988 and 1989 fiscal years. Pursuant to its previously announced agreement with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the company is including restated financial statements for the fiscal years ended June 30, 1988, and June 30, 1989, in its annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 1990. Barry Blau, chairman, explained that this restatement, while affecting results in certain prior years, has had no material adverse effect on shareholders' equity as of June 30, 1990.

For the year ended June 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $271,256, or 14 cents per share. For fiscal 1989, as restated, the company's net income was $833,708, or 43 cents per share. The company's restated fiscal 1988 net income was $727,092, or 38 cents per share.

For the year ended June 30, 1990, the company showed growth in both revenues and gross agency income, with revenues increasing 10 percent to $56,079,550 from $50,849,338 a year earlier and gross agency income rising 12 percent to $12,381,780 from $11,050,897 in fiscal 1989. However, selling, general and administrative expenses also increased during fiscal 1990, rising 31 percent to $12,494,148 from $9,569,793 in fiscal 1989. Most of this increase represented the company's substantial investment in personnel and facilities to service the existing clients as well as clients acquired during the 1989 and 1990 fiscal years.

Since the beginning of the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, the company has reduced personnel by approximately 15 percent in its efforts to curb overhead expenses.

Pursuant to previously announced authorization from the board of directors, the company has repurchased approximately 138,000 of its shares since July 1, 1990. The company continues to have discussions exploring opportunities to improve company prospects and maximize shareholder values.

Barry Blau & Partners, Inc. is the nation's largest independent direct response advertising agency. Headquartered in Fairfield, the company has full-service offices in New York, Chicago and Baltimore.

BARRY BLAU & PARTNERS, INC.
Summary of Financial Results (Restated)

Three months ended June 30 (unaudited):	1990	1989	1988
Fees and production revenue	$10,697,733	$18,702,898	$15,814,912
Cost of production	8,099,956	15,495,612	12,709,922
Gross agency income	2,597,777	3,207,286	3,104,990
Net income (loss)	(557,671)	287,095	278,935
Earnings (loss) per share of common stock	($.29)	$.15	$.14
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	1,908,932	1,922,925	1,931,447
Fiscal year ended June 30 (audited):	1990	1989	1988
Fees and production revenue	$56,079,550	$50,849,338	$49,362,135
Cost of production	43,697,770	39,798,441	39,043,287
Gross agency income	12,381,780	11,050,897	10,318,848
Net income (loss)	(271,256)	833,708	727,092
Earnings (loss) per share of common stock	($.14)	$.43	$.38

Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	1,914,613	1,923,180	1,927,598

CONTACT: Fred Kaseff, chief financial officer of Barry Blau & Partners, 203-254-3700

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#90275p0537 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Powell Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: POWL) today announced that it has appointed Edwin G. Becnel as president of The MICON Co. (formerly Powell-Process Systems Inc.) effective immediately. Becnel's career spans more than 30 years with Westinghouse Electric Corp. and included service as general manager of Westinghouse's Measurement & Control Division. With the acquisition of the Westinghouse T&D businesses by Area Brown Boveri, Becnel was appointed vice president and general manager of the electric metering business area of ABB with responsibility for electric meters and related products on a worldwide basis.

"We are extremely fortunate to be able to attract someone with the abilities and stature of Ed Becnel to lead The MICON Company's turn-around," stated Thomas W. Powell, chairman and CEO of Powell Industries Inc. "Ed's business experience and talents as an industry strategist will be very important to the future success of this operation," he added.

Earlier this year, Powell-Process Systems Inc. began doing business as The MICON Co. to more closely assiciate the company with the trade name under which its products are sold.

Powell Industries Inc. designs, manufactures and packages electrical generation, control and distribution equipment.

CONTACT: J.F. Ahart of Powell Industries Inc., 713-947-4422

-30- 1555

#90275p0543 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH WILKESBORO, N.C. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Lowe's Companies, Inc. (NYSE: LOW) announced its September sales totaled $225.3 million, a 7 percent increase from September of 1989. Sales to retail customers increased 9 percent and sales to contractors increased 5 percent.

The table below presents sales comparisons and trends: 4 Weeks Ended:

	September 28, 1990		September 29, 1989	
	Pct Change	Total Sales (000,000)	Pct of Total	Total Sales (000,000)	Pct of Total
Retail Sales	+ 9	$140.0	62	$128.9	61
Contractor					

Sales	+ 5	$ 85.3	38	$ 81.3	39	
Total Sales	+ 7	$225.3	100	$210.2	100	
Comparable						
Stores(a)(276)	+ 2	$199.6	89	$195.9	93	New
Projects(b)(29)	+111	$ 25.7	11	$ 12.2	6	
Closed Stores(c)		--	--	$ 2.1	1	
Total Stores(305)		$225.3	100	$210.2	100	

(a) Stores open more than one year on September 1 with comparable square footage (b) Stores open less than one year and stores which have been retrofitted or relocated within the past twelve months (c) 6 stores closed through September 1990

Relocated stores were opened in Tallahassee, Florida and Chambersburg, Pennsylvania during the month. Remerchandising projects in ten stores were completed.

Lowe's now operates 305 stores in 20 states, in the South Atlantic and South Central regions of the United States. Lowe's is a specialty retailer pursuing three businesses in our stores: the home center do-it-yourself business, the consumer durables business, and the building contractor business.

Lowe's monthly sales results are based on four-week, four-week, and five-week reporting periods. Lowe's quarterly news release on sales and earnings will continue to reflect precise totals.

CONTACT: For further information, including weekly sales data, contact W. Cliff Oxford or Clarissa S. Felts of Lowe's Companies, Inc., 919-651-4631 or 919-651-4254

-30- 2283

#90275p0546 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - An investment group led by Goldner Hawn Johnson & Morrison Incorporated, Minneapolis, has successfully completed the previously announced acquisition of Byerly's, Inc., a Minneapolis-based supermarket business with nine stores and more than $200 million in annual sales, it was annnounced today.

The acquisition was accomplished through Marathon Fund Limited Partnership, an acquisition fund sponsored by Goldner Hawn Johnson & Morrison, and co-sponsored by MH Capital Investors, an affiliate of Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company of New York. Other equity participants include Don Byerly, founder of the business; Thomas Harberts, president of Byerly's; and other Byerly's senior managers.

Goldner Hawn Johnson & Morrison Incorporated is a private investment firm founded in 1989 to make direct equity investments primarily in management-led

acquisitions and recapitalizations.

CONTACT: Mike Goldner of Goldner Hawn Johnson & Morrison Incorporated, Minneapolis, 612-338-5912

-30- 1207

#90275p0548 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Energy Assets International Corp. (the "Company") announced today that it has filed a preliminary Consent Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to a proposed merger transaction in which the remaining minority stockholders of the Company will have the right to receive $0.50 in cash for each of their shares of the common stock.

The Company will not begin soliciting consents to the merger until a definitive Consent Statement is available. However, there can be no assurance that the proposed merger will be consummated. The merger will be subject to a number of conditions to its consummation, including approval of the majority of the minority stockholders who vote on the merger.

Should the proposed merger be approved, Torch Energy Advisors Inc. ("Torch"), which owns 85.67 percent of the outstanding shares of common stock of the Company, will become the sole shareholder of the Company.

CONTACT: Lisa A. Elliott of Energy Assets International, 713-759-0336 CO: Energy Assets International Corporation; Torch Energy Advisors

-30- 1270

#90275p0549 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARTHAGE, Mo. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Leggett & Platt Inc. (NYSE: LEG) announced today that fully diluted earnings per share for this year's third quarter are expected to be about 15 percent lower than the 67 cents per share the company earned in the third quarter of 1989. Results of operations for the September quarter should be available for release on Oct. 25, 1990. For the first half of this year, fully diluted earnings were $1.40 per share, up from $1.33 for the first half of 1989.

Several factors have contributed to the recent weakness in earnings. First, overall demand and sales have softened. This primarily reflects lower levels of consumer confidence and, hence, reduced spending on durable goods, particularly since the Persian Gulf crisis erupted in early August. This has resulted in more intense competition in the home furnishings industry and diversified markets Leggett serves. Several operations have been hit exceptionally hard by reduced demand. These include the company's urethane foam business in the economically depressed Northeast and other diversified operations producing products for the marine, transportation, and utility

industries. Reflecting these conditions, management is now anticipating that Leggett's total sales for the third quarter, excluding acquisitions, will be down modestly from the like quarter a year earlier.

Second, costs for some raw materials and certain operating expenses have increased. Some of these inflationary cost pressures have been caused by the recent sharp increases in oil prices. Given weaker market conditions, management has delayed implementing some price increases needed to recover all of the increased costs. Management is continuing to monitor these conditions very closely to determine the best future course of action. Third, the profitability of Leggett's aluminum smelting and refining operation was impacted by a strike which resulted in reduced production during the third quarter. Finally, some recently acquired operations, which were previously reported to be somewhat dilutive for several quarters, are depressing earnings due to unrecovered increases in interest expense.

Management now believes that it could be well into 1991 before any significant improvement in economic conditions starts to develop. If recent trends remain relatively unchanged throughout the balance of this year, fully diluted earnings for all of 1990 should approximate $2.50 per share.

Headquartered in Carthage, Leggett & Platt is a Fortune 500 company that specializes in manufacturing and marketing a broad line of components used by companies making furniture and bedding for homes, offices, and institutions. Other home furnishings products include a select line of finished furniture and carpet cushioning materials. A variety of diversified products are also produced and sold in several different markets unrelated to the home furnishings industry. Leggett & Platt's common stock is listed on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

CONTACT: J. Richard Calhoon of Leggett & Platt Inc., 417-358-8131

-30- 3303

#90275p0551 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Advanced Medical Inc. (AMEX: AMA) announced that its Board of Directors has authorized the company to purchase, from time to time, outstanding shares of its Common Stock, par value 1 cent per share and its 10 percent Cumulative Preferred stock, par value 1 cent per share and in open-market transactions and has authorized the company to spend up to an aggregate of $2,000,000 on such purchases.

The company is a Delaware corporation whose principal office is located in San Francisco.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Dean of Advanced Medical, 212-421-1121, or 800-553-2061

-30- 757
#90275p0556 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Reporting record results for the 15th consecutive year, New Plan Realty Trust (NYSE: NPR), leading equity REIT, said net income for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990 jumped 29 percent over the prior year on a 24 percent rise in revenues.

Net income rose to a record $35,046,653, equal to $1.01 per share, from $27,110,623, or $.95 per share, the previous year. Income before gain from the sale of property and sale of securities amounted to $31,784,578 in fiscal 1990, up 27 percent from $24,957,948 the prior year.

Revenues totaled $54,123,451 vs. $43,540,987 for the fiscal year ended July 31 1989.

Commenting on the results, chairman and chief executive William Newman said, "The year was a good one for New Plan, which achieved record growth in virtually every category."

Looking ahead, he said, "We expect continuing progress in the new fiscal year, reflecting our strong cash position during today's increasingly severe credit crunch."

He pointed out that the trust has approximately $140 million in cash and marketable securities to implement its program of property acquisitions in 1991.

New Plan Realty Trust, the largest publicly owned equity real estate investment trust (REIT) in terms of market capitalization, owns 60 shopping centers in 14 states east of the Mississippi, apartment complexes and other real estate.

NEW PLAN REALTY TRUST
(Operating Highlights - Audited)

Fiscal year ended July 31,	1990	1989
Revenues:		
Rental income and related revenues	$38,041,423	$33,762,753
Interest and dividend income	16,082,028	9,778,234
Total revenues	54,123,451	43,540,987
Income before gain/(loss) on sale of properties & securities	31,784,578	24,957,948
Gain on sale of property	2,856,660	2,668,763
Gain/(loss) on sale of securities	405,415	(516,088)
Total	3,262,075	2,152,675
Net income	$35,046,653	$27,110,623
Net income per share	1.01	.95
Average number of shares outstanding	34,843,696	28,620,029

Cash flow per share(A)	1.11	1.06

(A) Calculation includes net income plus depreciation and amortization of building and improvements.

CONTACT: Ron Frankel of New Plan Realty Trust, 212-869-3000

-30- 2674

#90275p0559 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Newpark Resources, Inc. (NASDAQ: NPRS) announced today that it expanded its oilfield construction and environmental clean-up operations into Texas through the acquisition of Mallard & Mallard, Inc., a privately held company headquartered in Beaumont, Texas. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Mallard & Mallard, Inc. provides board road construction and related services to the Texas oil and gas exploration markets.

James D. Cole, Newpark president and chief executive officer, stated: "Our principal objective is to expand the capabilities of Mallard & Mallard to include environmental remediation services and to bring to that company the full range of site preparation services currently offered by Newpark."

Newpark Resources, Inc. provides environmental services to the oil and gas exploration and marine transportation industries. The company also provides general oilfield construction and marine repair services in the Gulf Coast market.

CONTACT: Matthew W. Hardey, treasurer of Newpark, 504-838-8222

-30- 1248

#90275p0562 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Kirby Corp. (AMEX: KEX), announced today that its board of directors had authorized Kirby to purchase up to one million additional shares of its own common stock as a supplemental authority to the existing two million share authorization. This interim authorization will enable Kirby to continue its repurchase program until the regular quarterly board meeting on Oct. 16 when the matter of stock repurchase will receive further review and deliberation. Through Oct. 1, 1990, Kirby has repurchased 1,858,401 shares under the existing authorization.

Purchases will be made on the American Stock Exchange and in privately negotiated transactions. Purchases will be subject to price, trading volume, and other market considerations. Shares repurchased may be used for reissuance on the exercise of stock options, on the conversion of outstanding debentures, or in future acquisitions for stock.

Kirby is engaged in marine transportation, diesel repair, and property and casualty insurance.

CONTACT: Steve Holcomb of Kirby Corp., 713-629-9370

-30- 1268

#90275p0563 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Toshiba America Information Systems today announced a significant advance in the price/performance of flat-panel color displays. The technology is incorporated in the Toshiba T5200C, the first affordably priced portable computer with a full-performance color VGA display, and brings Toshiba's comprehensive family of portable desktop computers to full strength.

The T5200C display, which will also be available as an upgrade to existing Toshiba T5200 portable computers, is a passive liquid-crystal display (LCD) utilizing an innovative mating of super-twist LCD technology with a pigment-dispersed microcolor filter. The result is a display with nearly twice the contrast and brightness of previous passive color displays at a fraction of the price premium of active matrix displays.

Bill Johnson, vice president and general manager of Toshiba America's Computer Systems Division, said, "Color is the last barrier between portables and satisfying the needs of 90 percent of computer users. Bringing this kind of performance to market at reasonable cost is a result of our singular focus on portable computing."

The new display offers full VGA compatibility, 640 x 480 pixel resolution, and 16 vivid colors. Coupled with the system's powerful 20 MHz, 80386 microprocessor, the display enables the Toshiba T5200C to take full advantage of the power of Windows 3.0 and other graphically oriented productivity tools. The new system, priced at $9,499, includes a 200 MB Winchester drive, Toshiba's largest, featuring an average seek time of 16 msec. The drive is also available in the new T5200/200, identical to the T5200C except for its monochrome gas plasma VGA display and its suggested retail price of $8,499.

Toshiba America Information Systems is a wholly owned subsidiary of Toshiba America Inc. Five divisions within TAIS market a wide range of office automation products within the United States. The Toshiba Computer Systems Division markets and supports high-quality Toshiba portable personal computers and peripherals for the U.S. marketplace.

CONTACT: Howard Emerson of Toshiba America Information Systems Inc., Computer Systems Division, 714-583-3925; or Brenda Bennett of Hill & Knowlton, 714-752-1106, for Toshiba.

-30- 2481
#90275p0566 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
LAS VEGAS (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Nevada Power Company's (NYSE: NVP) bond rating was lowered yesterday by Standard & Poor's from A- to BBB+. S&P attributed the drop to the company's rapidly rising construction budget and the need for internal cash flows to help meet those construction needs.

According to Nevada Power vice president and chief financial officer Richard Hyte, the lower rating was not unexpected. "We're fully aware that to meet the demands of our rapidly growing service territory, our internal cash flow will be strained."

Hyte said the company remains confident about the future. "Our goal is to steer the company through this period of high growth and to position ourselves in such a way that our ratings will return to previous levels."

CONTACT: Robyn A. Warsinske of Nevada Power Company, 702-367-5610.

-30- 988
#90275p0572 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Steve Kirch has joined PaineWebber Incorporated as managing director heading the firm's West Coast fixed income sales effort, Timothy Cronin, managing director in charge of fixed income, announced today.

Kirch comes to PaineWebber from Prudential-Bache where he was senior vice president in charge of the Western region for four years. Prior to that, he was at Morgan Stanley for two years and A.G. Becker for 12 years.

"Steve is an extremely talented individual whose fixed income experience and background will contribute meaningfully to the firm. I'm delighted to have him join our fixed income effort," said Cronin.

Kirch and his wife, Mary Lou, reside in Pacific Palisades, Calif., with their two children.

PaineWebber Incorporated is one of the nation's leading full-service securities firms, serving the investment and capital needs of a worldwide client base.

CONTACT: Eileen Ruvane of PaineWebber, 201-902-6768, or Jeffrey Z. Taufield of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for PaineWebber

-30- 1233
#90275p0573 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Sani Med, Inc. announced that it sold its medical waste collection and hauling business and assets to BFI Medical Waste Systems (Southeast), Inc., a subsidiary of Browning-Ferris Industries, Inc. (NYSE: BFI), for an undisclosed amount of cash.

Floyd Cardello, president of Sani Med, pointed out that the proceeds of the transaction would be used to reduce long term debt and provide working capital for the continued operation of that portion of its business related to medical waste disposal in Florida. He said that the sale was approved by a majority of the company's directors and by shareholders owning a majority of the company's outstanding shares.

CONTACT: Floyd Cardello, president of Sani Med, 305-731-6632

-30- 953

#90275p0576 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

RYE BROOK, N.Y. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The MCI Card is available to U.S. citizens located overseas, including military personnel, MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ: MCIC) announced today.

The card may be used in the United States to place telephone calls domestically and internationally from the United States and from almost 30 MCI CALL USA countries back to the United States. The new card does not require a U.S. phone number for billing purposes.

Now, for the first time, U.S. military personnel and civilians living abroad can subscribe to the MCI Card and take advantage of MCI's lower prices and high quality, with English speaking operator assistance. To request the MCI Card, overseas U.S. citizens must supply their VISA or MasterCard account numbers to which the calls will be billed. The total charges will appear on the credit card monthly statement and a detailed monthly billing report will be supplied direct from MCI.

MCI is offering $15 of free calling for overseas billing customers who sign up before the end of the year. MCI is also offering promotional pricing from Japan and from Italy with special MCI CALL USA rates of $.79/minute. For example, during this promotional period MCI CALL USA will save a customer 42 percent from Japan and 28 percent from Italy vs. AT&T USA Direct.

"We are proud to be able to offer our worldwide customers this added convenience," said Seth Blumenfeld, president of MCI International, MCI's international subsidiary. "The ability to use the MCI Card will allow our military personnel overseas, overseas executives of U.S. companies, embassy staffs, and all U.S. citizens the cost savings and quality of MCI when calling back to the U.S. from a growing number of MCI CALL USA countries."

Applications for the MCI Card with overseas billing are available through

selected overseas U.S. government and military facilities as well as through international newspaper advertisements and through any of MCI's 50 overseas offices. In the United States, the application for the overseas MCI Card may be requested by dialing (toll-free) 800-955-0925.

MCI CALL USA began in October 1988. The service provides the ability to place calls back to the United States from almost 30 countries by dialing freephone (toll-free) numbers. The advantages to the U.S. citizen traveling or living overseas are English-speaking operators who place the calls back to the United States, no need to carry a variety of coins from different countries, easy use of unfamiliar phone systems, elimination of surprising surcharges, and convenient detailed monthly statements.

MCI provides a wide range of international telecommunications services including voice services such as MCI International 800 Service and direct distance dialing from the United States to more than 170 countries and places. MCI also provides private line and private line switching services, electronic mail, telex and cablegram services. MCI International has subsidiaries and representative offices in 50 countries to aid in the provision of international services.

CONTACT: Alan Garratt of MCI International, 914-934-6484

-30- 3369

#90275p0579 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Corroon & Black Corporation, (NYSE: CBL) announced today that it has established a mailgram facility through which stockholders may vote their proxies or revoke previously executed proxies in connection with the special meeting of stockholders of Corroon & Black to consider its merger with Willis Faber p.l.c.

The special meeting is now scheduled to take place on Oct. 8, 1990, having been adjourned from Sept. 28, 1990 in order to permit stockholders to review a supplement to the Proxy Statement/Prospectus relating to the merger.

To utilize this mailgram facility, stockholders should call Paul Gavin at D.F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, to obtain the appropriate instructions and toll free number.

CONTACT: Joseph V. Ambrose, senior vice president and general counsel of Corroon & Black, 212-363-4100.

-30- 1030

#90275p0580 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRISTOL, VA. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Charter Federal (NASDAQ: CHFD) today announced that it is seeking to amend its complaint against former employee

Cheryl Perry to increase the amount from $2,000,000 to $2,427,730.35 Charter alleges it lost as a result of the embezzlement scheme allegedly perpetrated by Ms. Perry.

Charter Federal, which began operation in 1920, is a federally-chartered stock Savings Bank headquartered in Bristol, Va., with 34 branch offices throughout Southwest and Southside Virginia and East Tennessee.

CONTACT: L. Aubrey Goodson, Jr., President, or Douglas D. Deppen, Chief Financial Officer, Charter Federal Savings Bank, P.O. Box 669, Bristol, Va. 24203, 703-669-5101

-30- 878

#90275p0583 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler produced 75,859 passenger cars in its U.S. and Canadian assembly plants in September 1990. The company produced 84,880 cars in the U.S. and Canada in September 1989.

Truck production for September 1990 totaled 63,288 units. Of these, 40,592 were built in the United States.

Production figures for September 1990 compared with September 1989 are:

Models by Division	September		CY	CY
	1990(A)	1989	1990(A)	1989
Horizon	---	2,039	4,327	22,906
Reliant	---	---	---	---
Gran Fury	---	---	---	---
Sundance	9,127	7,996	64,587	78,275
Acclaim	13,428	11,772	83,325	95,397
TOTAL PLYMOUTH	22,555	21,807	152,239	196,578
LeBaron J	5,322	10,963	39,555	80,288
LeBaron A	---	---	8,071	5
LeBaron GTS	---	---	---	2,946
New Yorker C	2,586	3,418	29,900	64,584
Fifth Avenue	---	---	---	---
Y-Body	6,366	7,874	39,868	16,226
TOTAL CHRYSLER	14,274	22,255	117,394	164,049
Dynasty	11,815	7,881	88,241	100,057
Omni	---	2,245	4,078	24,211
Aries	---	---	---	---
Daytona	3,538	7,329	26,372	63,229
Diplomat	---	---	---	---
Lancer	---	---	---	1,528
Shadow	9,685	8,039	72,661	75,304
Spirit	11,725	13,535	75,544	81,705
TOTAL DODGE	36,763	39,029	266,896	346,034

TOTAL PASSENGER CARS - UNITED STATES	73,572	83,091	536,529	706,661
Premier	335	1,789	7,429	27,755
Monaco	1,932	---	9,206	---
Total Jeep/Eagle-Canada	2,267	1,789	16,635	27,755
TOTAL PASSENGER CARS-U.S. AND CANADA	75,859	84,880	553,164	734,416
Total Plymouth Truck	2,249	9,208	67,162	76,374
Total Dodge Truck	22,240	27,689	208,455	232,725
Total Jeep	16,103	19,866	132,418	202,612
TOTAL TRUCKS-U.S.	40,592	56,763	408,035	511,711
Total Plymouth Truck	6,223	10,503	75,579	94,344
Total Dodge Truck	12,541	24,027	161,668	191,138
Total Jeep	3,932	7,109	43,335	62,273
TOTAL TRUCKS-CANADA(B)	22,696	41,639	280,600	347,755
TOTAL TRUCKS-U.S. AND CANADA	63,288	98,402	688,635	859,466
TOTAL VEHICLES-U.S AND CANADA	139,147	183,282	1,241,799	1,593,882

Note: Jeep/Eagle Division production included.

(A) -- Figures are preliminary and subject to change. (B) -- Dodge Ram Wagon, Dodge Ram Van, Dodge Caravan, Plymouth Voyager, and Dodge Mini Ram Van units built in Canada are also for sale in the United States.

CONTACT: Alan Miller or Scott Fosgard of Chrysler, 313-956-2894.

-30- 3530

#90275p0602 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - At the request of the New York Stock Exchange Primerica Corporation (NYSE: PA) said today the company knows of no material adverse development that in its judgment would account for the unusual activity in its stock today.

CONTACT: Mary McDermott of Primerica, 212-891-8870

-30- 444

#90275p0609 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Carnival Cruise Lines, Inc. (AMEX: CCL) reported record revenues and net income for the three-month and nine-month periods ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Net income for the third quarter was $107.2 million ($0.80 EPS), on revenues of $482.9 million, compared to net income of $84.4 million ($0.63 EPS) on revenues of $405.2 million for the same quarter in 1989. For the nine months

ended Aug. 31, 1990, Carnival reported net income of $187.0 million ($1.39 EPS), on revenues of $1.095 billion, compared to net income of $172.3 million ($1.28 EPS), on revenues of $921.6 million, for the same period in 1989.

Revenues increased for both the latest three months and nine months by 19 percent compared to the same periods in 1989. Net income for the third quarter and nine months of 1990 increased by 27 percent and 9 percent, respectively, over the comparable periods in 1989.

The increases were primarily attributed to new capacity provided by Carnival's Fantasy, which entered service in March 1990, as well as to the addition of 490 berths to Holland America's Westerdam which re-entered service in March 1990, following a six-month drydocking for lengthening.

For the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, the company carried 295,898 passengers, to achieve an average occupancy level on its ships of 113.1 percent. This represents a 32 percent increase over the 223,953 passenger boardings recorded during the third quarter of 1989 when occupancy was at 112.2 percent. Combined with results for the first half of 1990, the company achieved a fleetwide occupancy level of 108.3 percent, carrying 718,372 passengers, up 18.5 percent from the 606,189 passengers carried during the same period last year when occupancy was 108.6 percent. The increase in passengers was also attributed to the additional capacity provided by the Fantasy and the Westerdam.

Carnival President and CEO Micky Arison said the company was very pleased with the earnings for the third quarter. "Besides achieving record revenues and net income, we were able to absorb a substantial amount of new tonnage and improved our occupancy levels at the same time," he said. Arison pointed to Carnival's Holland America subsidiary as a major factor contributing to the company's record earnings. "We are particularly delighted with the performance of Holland America. The line had a record Alaska season and, even with the additional capacity of the Westerdam, they were able to post an increase in occupancy." Carnival acquired Holland America in January 1989.

Kirk Lanterman, president and CEO of Holland America Line-Westours, said that division reached a milestone by carrying more than 100,000 cruise/tour passengers during its Alaska season. "Overall for our Alaska and Canadian Rockies products we recorded an eight percent increase in passengers over 1989. Interior Alaska cruise/tours were up about 20 percent, and this had a strong positive impact on our Gray Line of Alaska and Westmark hotel chain subsidiaries," he said.

Although there is some fear of an economic slowdown having a negative impact on the travel business, Arison said that he was very bullish about the company's performance in the fourth quarter. "Despite a weakening economy, increasing oil and fuel prices, and the high level of discounting in the industry, we believe the cruise segment of our business will perform very

well. Based on advance booking patterns, we expect to have a strong fall, and I suspect the cruise industry as a whole may well achieve record growth in 1990," he said.

However, Arison said the company's resort and casino in Nassau did not perform up to expectations. Arison cited a softening of the economy in the Northeast which he said "resulted in generally lower tourism to the Bahamas and we felt that at the Crystal Palace."

Carnival is the world's largest cruise line based on the number of passengers carried. Together with its subsidiaries Holland America Line and Windstar Cruises, Carnival currently operates 15 ships in Alaska, the Caribbean, the South Pacific and the Mediterranean. The company also operates Carnival's Crystal Palace Resort & Casino, a 1,550-room hotel and casino complex in Nassau, Bahamas. Carnival has a 2,600-passenger vessel, the Ecstasy, under contruction, scheduled to begin service June 2, 1991. Negotiations are underway for construction of another 2,600-passenger vessel for the Carnival fleet. Carnival has also contracted for construction of three more ships for Holland America Line. The first of these, named Statendam, is scheduled for delivery in late 1992, with the second and third vessels delivered in 1993 and 1994.

A regular quarterly dividend of 12 cents per share has been declared for the fiscal quarter ending Nov. 30, 1990. The dividend will be payable on Dec. 14 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Tim Gallagher or Jennifer De La Cruz of Carnival Cruise Lines, Inc. 305-599-2600, ext. 776

-30- 5266

#90275p0610 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Herbert D. Kelleher, chairman of the board, president, and chief executive officer of Southwest Airlines, America's 8th largest independent airline, today announced the inauguration of Boeing 737 jet service from Reno to Las Vegas and Oakland, Calif., beginning Nov. 15.

Southwest will offer six daily nonstop roundtrip flights to both cities on the newest pure jet fleet in the industry. Regular unrestricted coach fares will be $49 to Oakland and $59 to Las Vegas.

Not only is Southwest slashing fares by as much as 70 percent in the Reno market, it is also offering a "$20 Take Along Fare," which is good for travel through Dec. 19, 1990. For just $20 one way, a regular fare customer can "take along" a companion to any Southwest Airlines destination, no matter how far away -- when both tickets are purchased with an American Express Card. Some restrictions apply.

Southwest Airlines has become known as the "price policeman," leading the airline industry in low fares while maintaining its service level at the top of the nation's air carriers. Among its cost-saving measures are a quicker ticketing process, boarding passes on a first-come, first-served basis and no meal service. Employees have also become known for wearing "Fun" uniforms and bringing humor to the flight experience -- an extension of Kelleher's philosophy that work should be fun.

Flights to Las Vegas will begin at 7:15 a.m. with the last return flight leaving Las Vegas at 6 p.m. Flights to Oakland will begin at 8:25 a.m. with the last return flight leaving Oakland at 8:35 p.m. Weekend flights are also available.

Southwest will also be offering one stop service to Albuquerque, Burbank, El Paso, Ontario, Phoenix, San Antonio, and San Diego at tremendous savings, Kelleher noted.

Southwest Airlines will begin its advertising campaign for the new Reno service with the themeline "Happy Days are Here Again." Don Valentine, vice president-sales and marketing for Southwest, noted that "this advertising delivers the message that low fares and lots of flights are back." He continues, "We have a good solid schedule to offer our customers, but the big kicker is that Southwest fares are 50 to 70 percent off the current market prices. And these will be our regular fares, not some special introductory promotion."

CONTACT: Melanie Jones of Southwest Airlines, 214-904-4413.

-30- 2595

#90275p0620 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, FL (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - DBA Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: DBAS) announced today that revenues for the three-month period ending June 30, 1990 were $8,625,000, down $4,093,000 from the $12,718,000 recorded in the comparable three-month period in the prior fiscal year.

Approximately $3,650,000 or 90 percent of the revenue shortfall was attributable to the company's Military Products Division which is in the process of being divested.

A pretax loss of $730,000 was recorded during the current period as compared to a pretax loss of $2,872,000 in the same period in the prior fiscal year. Included in the current quarter, pretax loss was approximately $200,000 in legal fees and settlement costs associated with various actions against the company. During the period, lawsuits were settled with E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., John S. Scott and MTL Systems.

Also included in the pretax loss was approximately $190,000 in costs to settle

an employment contract with the company's former chairman and approximately $350,000 in additional costs associated with the divestiture of machinery and equipment at the Military Products Division.

DBA's backlog of uncompleted work on its existing contracts as of June 30, 1990 was approximately $29,000,000, an increase of 7.4 percent when compared to the approximately $27,000,000 reported a year earlier.

The company is currently negotiating a new credit facility with its bank. As a result of a recent bankrupcty filed by the bank's holding company, Washington Bancorporation, and the insolvency of Washington Bancorporation's principal banking subsidiary, The National Bank of Washington, the discussions regarding the new credit facility includes the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). A preliminary agreement has been reached between DBA, its bank and the FDIC. DBA expects to be in a position to complete its annual report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and release audited financial statements for the 1990 fiscal year within two weeks.

CONTACT: John L. Slack, chairman of the board, president and CEO of DBA Systems, Inc., 407-727-0660, ext. 2535.

-30- 2352

#90275p0634 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - AMVEST Corporation President, Carl W. Smith, announces the promotion of William H. Dickey, Jr., to Executive Vice President of AMVEST Coal Sales, Inc., its coal-marketing subsidiary. Mr. Smith said in addition to expanding management and administrative responsibilities, Dickey will continue to be responsible for the domestic and international coal-marketing efforts for AMVEST Coal Sales, Inc.

Dickey joined AMVEST in November 1988 as Senior Vice President. A Native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Dickey earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1969 from Williams College in Williamstown, Massachusetts, and his law degree in 1972 from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law.

AMVEST Coal Sales, Inc. a wholly-owned subsidiary of AMVEST Corporation, is a major U.S. coal shipper. AMVEST Corporation is involved in coal mining, merchant banking and gas and oil exploration.

CONTACT: Virginia Phillips-Smith, Manager, Corporate Communications, AMVEST Corporation, 804-972-7709, or 804-977-3350

-30- 1230

#90275p0636 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan Pacific Petroleum Inc., today announced that its wholly owned Indonesian oil subsidiary, Enim Oil Co. Ltd.,

has obtained a loan facility of up to U.S. $5 million to help finance the development of its Harimau oil field in South Sumatra, Indonesia.

The loan, obtained from Premier Energy Equipment and Services Ltd. of Hong Kong, is repayable no later than Aug. 15, 1991, and bears interest at the rate of 1.75 percent above the Singapore Interbank Offer Rate (SIBOR), which was 8.25 percent at the time of the signing.

"This loan, at very favorable interest rates, will help bridge the company's funding at our Harimau oil and gas field on the 280,000 acre Lematang Block until commencement of production," said Lawrence Barker, Jr., president and chief executive of Pan Pacific. "Since drilling began early in 1990 in the Harimau field, the total tested oil rate has reached 9,491 barrels per day, sufficient for commercial production."

Barker said the company is prepared to proceed with the pipeline connections for both oil and gas as soon as the development plan is approved by Pertamina, the state enterprise of the Republic of Indonesia. Pan Pacific holds a 50 percent interest in the Lematang Block with Pertamina through its Enim Oil Co. subsidiary. Production is expected to begin before the end of 1990.

Pan Pacific has guaranteed repayment of the loan. As part of its guarantee Pan Pacific agreed that in the case of default Premier may elect to convert all or a portion of its loan into common shares of Pan Pacific at the rate of one share for every Cdn. $8.25 of liability. The exercise of this conversion privilege is subject to approval by the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Pan Pacific common stock is traded on the Toronto stock exchange under the symbol PPP.

CONTACT: Stuart J. Doshi of Pan Pacific Petroleum, 415-986-7545.

-30- 2072

#90275p0639 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to the many heartfelt requests from members of the armed forces serving in Saudi Arabia, Philip Morris U.S.A. has shipped free of charge 2 million cigarettes to Operation Desert Shield.

The 10,000 cartons of Marlboro cigarettes -- Philip Morris' premium cigarette brand -- arrived in Saudi Arabia on Sept. 26 and were delivered to the members of the Army, Air Force and Marines who have the least access to the basic comforts of everyday life. The shipment was transported to the Middle East by the 82nd Airborne from Pope Air Force Base in Fayetteville, N.C.

"Over the past several weeks, we have received numerous letters asking for cigarettes from troops serving in Operation Desert Shield," said Larry Glennie director of military specialty sales, Philip Morris U.S.A. "Philip Morris

has a long history of supporting our nation's military and we hope that our donation will help make life a little easier for the men and women on the front line."

According to Glennie, the letters from the soldiers were both touching and funny. One member of the 82nd Airborne wrote: "We are not greedy people, just paratroopers unable to get hold of great cigarettes. So any cigarettes you could send us would make our stay here much more pleasurable."

Another soldier said: "We came over here with hardly any notice (a few hours!) and most of us are out of tobacco and tired. ... Even if you cannot send us our Marlboros, we would love to hear from you."

One letter even included credit card numbers with an offer to buy cigarettes for the writer, a corporal in the Marine Corps and his entire infantry mortar section. The corporal said that he and his men were in quite a predicament due to the fact that they had to borrow cigarettes from machine gunners "who usually smoke third-rate cigarettes."

"We at Philip Morris hope that our shipment of Marlboro cigarettes will help ease the predicament of this Marine corporal and all our troops in Saudi Arabia," said Glennie. The Marlboro cigarettes were manufactured in the Philip Morris plant in Richmond, Va.

CONTACT: John Kochevar of Philip Morris U.S.A., 212-880-3354.

-30- 2369

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DAYTON, OH (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Ian W. Millar today joined The Mead Corporation (NYSE: MEA) as director of strategy and planning, announced Burnell R. Roberts, chairman and chief executive officer.

Millar was formerly senior engagement manager with McKinsey & Company, Inc., a worldwide consulting firm. Based in Cleveland, he was responsible for addressing high-level strategy, organization and operations issues for large corporations in diverse industries.

Before joining McKinsey & Company in 1983, Millar was managing director of Adamson Butterley (Darlington) Ltd., a mechanical engineering company based in County Durham, England, and general manager of Butters Cranes Ltd. in Glasgow, Scotland. He has also held a number of sales positions with the semiconductor manufacturing operations of Hawker Siddeley Group PLC, both in Wiltshire, England, and Johannesburg, South Africa.

Millar has a B.S. degree in physics from the University of Edinburgh and an M.B.A. degree from the London Business School. He has also studied at L'ecole des Hautes Etudes Commerciales in Paris and at New York University

Business School.

The Mead Corporation, based in Dayton, is a world leader in forest products, electronic publishing and color imaging.

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HARRISBURG, PA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Robert E. Young, chairman of The Harrisburg Authority, and Harrisburg Mayor Stephen R. Reed today unveiled the most extensive improvement program in 50 years for the Harrisburg Water System.

The Harrisburg system serves 22,400 customers, including all of the city, Penbrook Borough, and a portion of Susquehanna Township. The authority owns the physical plant, property and real estate of the water system following the city's March 1, 1990, sale of the system to allow the authority to issue bonds and undertake improvements.

About 100 civic and business leaders joined the two officials at the site near the Harrisburg State Hospital where the authority plans to build the new water treatment and filtration plant, the largest single project of the program.

Young and the mayor capped their presentations about the water system improvements by unveiling the graphics and slogan -- "Water that Works" -- that will identify authority water projects around the city. All told, the "Water that Works" improvements will take three years to complete, according to Young.

"By improving our facilities," Reed and Young said, "we will assure our customers a safe and reliable supply of drinking water far into the future. These improvements will also allow for the expanded capacity to accommodate future business, industrial and residential customers."

The principal elements of the multimillion-dollar "Water that Works" plan are:

-- A 20-million gallons-per-day treatment and filtration plant, including a testing laboratory.
-- A water intake and pumping station on the Susquehanna River to serve as a backup water supply to the DeHart Dam, today's sole source of water.
-- Reservoir gatehouse improvements. -- Additional transmission mains.
-- Distributions system modifications, replacements and improvements, including expansion of some water lines to allow higher volume flows.

CONTACT: Dr. Robert E. Young, chairman of The Harrisburg Authority, 717-232-3777.

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PHOENIX, AZ (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Del Webb Corp. (NYSE: WBB) has completed the sale of its High Sierra hotel/casino in Lake Tahoe, Nev., to real estate developer and hotel operator William J. Yung.

Webb entered into an agreement to sell the High Sierra on Nov. 6, 1989, for a total purchase price of $19 million. The land which the hotel/casino occupies was leased to Webb. Yung also acquired that lease.

At close of escrow Sept. 30, Webb received $2.6 million which represents Yung's purchase of the casino's gaming equipment. Webb has managed the casino since November while Yung sought licensing approval from Nevada regulatory authorities. That approval was received Sept. 27.

In 1988, the company announced plans to sell its gaming properties which also included The Mint in Las Vegas, Nev., and the Nevada Club in Laughlin, Nev. Those sales were completed in 1988. In June of 1989, Webb ended its involvement with the Claridge hotel/casino in Atlantic City, N.J.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Philip J. Dion said the company is now focused on the development of its active adult communities.

"We serve a niche market that is growing in sheer numbers and in personal wealth. They are pursuing healthy lifestyles and we are well positioned to satisfy that interest better than any other company," Dion said.

"We are a company with outstanding potential. We pioneered and perfected the development of active adult communities and we intend to capitalize on our 30 years of experience in this industry," he said.

Dion also said that Webb continues to out-perform the housing industry in general. "Despite the weakness of the Arizona market, we are doing well and are positioned to take advantage of the opportunities this creates for us."

Webb is pursuing a strategic plan that will diversify the company geographically. Its current Sun Cities are located in Phoenix and Tucson, Ariz. and Las Vegas. In California, the company has filed plans for a community near Palm Springs, and has property optioned near Sacramento.

Phoenix-based Del Webb Corp. is the nation's leading developer of active adult communities.

CONTACT: Ken Plonski, 602-468-6871 (office) or 602-972-1210 (home), or Ed Wren, 602-468-6873 (office) or 602-957-9159 (home), both of Del Webb Corp.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - International Movie Group Inc. (NASDAQ: IMGRF; Toronto: IMV) today announced record revenues and earnings for the twelve months ended June 30, 1990. This marks the fourth consecutive year of record earnings in the company's four year history.

Revenues for the year ended June 30, 1990 increased 51 percent to $17,520,000 from $11,601,000 the previous year. Net income increased 30 percent to $1,867,000, or $0.26 per share ($0.21 fully diluted); from $1,433,234, or $0.21 per share ($0.17 fully diluted), the previous year. (All figures in US dollars)

Revenues from the three months ended June 30, 1990, were $7,387,000 and net income was $982,000, or $0.13 per share ($0.10 fully diluted).

Commenting on the results, Peter E. Strauss, chairman and chief executive officer of International Movie Group, Inc. said, ''We are very pleased with the solid growth the company has maintained. Among the eight films released this year were ''Cadence'' with Charlie and Martin Sheen and three films of a six film joint venture with Chrysalide Films and French powerhouse Canal Plus. We hope to continue this pattern of growth in the coming year, and are optimistic about five pictures currently in various stages of production. These include ''Chaindance'' starring Michael Ironside and Rae Dawn Chong, ''By The Sword'' starring Eric Roberts and F. Murray Abraham, and the three remaining Chrysalide-Canal Plus pictures.''

International Movie Group Inc., through its wholly owned subsidiary, The Movie Group, Inc., distributes independently produced English language films to over 50 countries outside of North America.

If you have any questions, please contact Ann Oliver at, The Movie Group, Inc. 1900 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 1425, Los Angeles, California 90067 (213) 556-2830.

CONTACT: Ann Oliver of The Movie Group 213-556-2830

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BRANCHBURG, NJ (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Air & Water Technologies Corporation (AMEX: AWT), a leading environmental treatment and services company, today announced that its offer to purchase and consent solicitation to holders of AWT's Senior Subordinated Debentures has been successfully completed. Holders of $32,550,000 aggregate principal amount of Senior Subordinated Debentures, representing 100 percent of the outstanding Senior Subordinated Debentures, accepted AWT's offer to purchase and consented to amend the indenture governing the Senior Subordinated Debentures to remove substantially all financial

covenants applicable to the Senior Subordinated Debentures. AWT intends to use a portion of the proceeds of its recently completed $100 million private placement of Senior Notes to repurchase the Senior Extendible Notes.

Air & Water Technologies Corporation, through its operating units, Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: METC), Research-Cottrell, Inc., and Residuals Management Group, provides a broad range of environmental services for water resources management, air pollution control, and the disposal and reuse of waste by-products.

CONTACT: Lucinda Edmonds of Air & Water Technologies, 617-245-1484

-30- 1415

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SOMERVILLE, MA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Century Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: CNBKA) today announced that it has added an additional $1 million to its Loan Loss Reserve, bringing its total reserve to $6.4 million a the end of the third quarter ending on Sept. 30, 1990.

Century Bank determined this addition to the reserve appropriate in view of the continued downturn in the local economy. Although Century did not have major charge-off's during the quarter, it continued to see economic deterioration with attendant increases in non-performing loans. Management expects that after the addition to the loan loss reserve, Century will not post a loss for the quarter.

But because management expects the downturn in the economy to be long-lived, it will recommend a possible reduction in dividends to help preserve its strong capital base. This measure will be presented to the board of directors on Oct. 10, 1990.

Century Bancorp, Inc., with 14 offices in eastern Massachusetts has three subsidiaries: Century Bank and Trust Company, headquartered in Somerville, Century North Shore Bank and Trust Company, headquartered in Lynn and Century Bank/Suffolk, headquartered in Chelsea.

CONTACT: Paul V. Cusick, Jr., of Century Bank, 617-391-4000

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SAN MATEO, CA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Interactive entertainment software supplier Electronic Arts (NASDAQ: ERTS) today announced that, in the week ending Sept. 23, the company shipped over $1 million worth of game cartridges for the 16-bit Sega(R) Genesis(R) console.

"Demand for Genesis software is still building," said Bing Gordon, EA's

vice-president of marketing, "and initial orders for Zany Golf(TM) were our highest yet on Sega." First shipped in September, Zany Golf is EA's third Sega title, joining Populous(TM) and Budokan: The Martial Spirit(TM). EA has shipped more than 150,000 units of the three games combined since entering the Sega Genesis market in the last week of June.

Gordon attributes EA's success with Sega to the characteristics of Genesis owners. "According to our research," he explained, "the median Genesis player is 19 years old, vs. early to mid-teens for Nintendo(R), and 27 for the traditional PC gamer. They're pretty sophisticated, and over half also own a PC. Perhaps that's why they recognize the value of spending $50 on a 16-bit Genesis cartridge."

EA's research also revealed differences in taste and buying influences among the three groups. Compared to Nintendo users, the typical Genesis player is much more interested in simulation, role-playing and strategy games, and much less interested in "action". Like PC gamers, Genesis owners are more likely to buy based on brand loyalty, packaging and in-store displays, while Nintendo users tend to be swayed more by advertising and product reviews. For example, more than half of EA's Genesis customers cited Electronic Arts' reputation as an important factor in their purchase decision.

Electronic Arts mission is to be a leader in providing entertainment software to the mass market.

Nintendo(R) is a registered trademark of Nintendo of America Inc. Sega(R) and Sega Genesis(R) are registered trademarks of Sega Enterprises Ltd.

CONTACT: Bing Gordon of Electronic Arts, 415-571-7171; or Terrylynn Pearson of Cunningham Communications, 408-982-0400, for Electronic Arts.

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ALBANY, GA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - As previously announced, the heirs of the Estate of James H. Gray Sr., had agreed with Mr. James H. Gray Jr. for the Executor of the Estate to sell the shares of common stock of the Gray Communications Systems, Inc. (the "Company") owned by the Estate to James H. Gray, Jr. for $162.50 either through a direct sale or pursuant to a merger. In connection with that agreement, which had an expiration date of Oct. 1, 1990, Mr. Gray made a merger proposal to the company for $162.50 per share.

This merger proposal was conditioned upon the approval of the proposal by a special committee appointed by the Board of Directors to consider the fairness of the proposal. Bear Stearns & Co. Inc., was engaged by the committee to act as its financial advisor.

The Special Committee has informed the company it is unable to conclude that

Mr. Gray's offer of $162.50 per share is fair, from a financial point of view, to the Company's public shareholders.

The Special Committee advised the Directors that, when the Special Committee was unable to conclude that the offer of $162.50 was fair to the shareholders, discussions ensued between the Special Committee and Mr. James Gray's advisors concerning whether the Committee could recommend an offer at $172.50 per share. The Committee advised Mr. Gray's advisors that a market check or other conditions would be necessary and those discussions were continuing when Mr. Gray notified the Company by letter dated Sept. 26, 1990 that the offer was withdrawn.

CONTACT: Neal Ray of Heyman & Sizemore, 404-521-2268, corporate attorney for Gray Communications.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Comcast Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: CMCSA, CMCSK) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.03 per share on Class A common stock, Class A Special common stock and Class B common stock, according to Brian L. Roberts, president.

Dividend payment will be made on Dec. 27, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 6.

Comcast Corp. is principally engaged in the development and operation of cable communications systems. The company's consolidated and affiliated operations served more than 2.4 million subscribers at June 30, 1990. This included 784,000 subscribers associated with systems owned by Storer Communications Inc. for which Comcast provides consulting services. In addition, the company provides cellular telephone communications and sound communications services.

The Class A and Class A Special common stock are traded in the Over-the-Counter market and are reported in the National Market List under the NASDAQ symbols CMCSA and CMCSK, respectively.

CONTACT: John R. Alchin, 215-981-7503, or Marolyn L. Bailey, 215-981-7550, both of Comcast

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ST. PAUL, MN (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Graphics Corporation announced today the appointment of Gerald T. Knight to its board of directors.

Knight is senior vice president of Strategic Planning for Grand Metropolitan's Food Sector. He previously served as senior vice president and chief

financial officer for Pillsbury Inc.

Before beginning his career with Pillsbury in 1985, Knight held several executive positions in finance and business development at Black and Decker Corporation and with General Electric Company.

"Jerry Knight's invaluable expertise in finance and business planning will complement the strengths of our board as we enter the next decade of growth for Medical Graphics," said Catherine (Kye) Anderson, Medical Graphics chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Knight received his B.S. degree in finance from Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

Medical Graphics Corporation is a world leader in providing high quality, easy to use, technologically advanced diagnostic and monitoring systems for the early detection and treatment of heart and lung disease. The company's products are marketed to pulmonary, cardiology, and critical care specialists worldwide.

CONTACT: Catherine Anderson or Terrance Kapsen, of Medical Graphics, 612-484-4874.

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BLUE BELL, PA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSIRE - In response to inquiries, Unisys Corp. (NYSE: UIS) said today that it fully supports the continued payment of dividends on its preferred stock.

CONTACT: J. Peter Hynes of Unisys Corp., 215-986-6948.

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DALLAS (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Nycal Corporation ("Nycal") (NASDAQ: NYCL), Claremont Petroleum NL and Moage Limited announced completion of the previously disclosed Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Assets (the "agreement").

Under the agreement, Nycal acquired the U.S. oil and gas properties and shares of Woodbine Petroleum, Inc. ("Woodbine") (NASDAQ: WDBN), owned by Claremont Petroleum (USA) Pty. Ltd. ("Claremont USA") and Moage, Inc. ("Moage, Inc."). In addition, Nycal acquired three convertible notes issued by Woodbine in principal amounts totalling $632,557 from Claremont USA. The purchase price of the assets acquired by Nycal was US$5 million payable by way of US$3.5 million in cash and assumption of an existing bank loan of $1.5 million secured by Claremont USA's oil and gas properties.

CONTACT: Graham Lacey of Nycal Corporation, 202-625-6600.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Mellon Bank Corp. (NYSE: MEL) through its credit card operation at Mellon Bank (DE), Wilmington, Del., has purchased approximately $110 million in credit card receivables from Ameritrust Company N.A., Cleveland, it was announced today.

The sale is expected to result in a one-time pre-tax gain of $14.6 million to Ameritrust.

Included in the receivables are $73 million in American Automobile Association (AAA) Club accounts in West Virginia, Kentucky, North Carolina and South Carolina. The transaction closed last week.

Ameritrust will continue to service the AAA accounts until they are converted to the Mellon computer system by the third quarter of 1991. At conversion, Mellon will bring the accounts under its credit card operation in Delaware.

"This purchase emphasizes the corporation's commitment to retail banking activities and reflects our strategic plan to grow the credit card business," said Kerry Ryan, senior vice president and head of Mellon Bank's Credit Card Group. "The AAA portfolio will enable us to enter a new affinity card market that should provide us with excellent growth opportunities. We are excited about working with such an outstanding organization."

Ameritrust Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: AMTR) is an $11.1 billion regional bank holding company headquartered in Cleveland, with more than 200 offices located in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan. Ameritrust manages one of the nation's largest trust departments, in addition to providing a full range of retail and commercial banking services.

Mellon Bank Corp. is a regional leader in issuing MasterCard and Visa bank cards and has a selected national presence in affinity cards. From its Delaware processing center, Mellon Bank issues affinity cards for several organizations including the World Wildlife Fund, the University of Pittsburgh and the U.S. Olympics.

With assets of $31.7 billion at June 30, 1990, Mellon Bank Corp. is one of the nation's largest bank holding companies. Through its subsidiaries, it provides wholesale, middle market and retail banking, as well as numerous service products including trust and investment, cash management and financial data processing.

CONTACT: Charles M. Johnston of Mellon Bank, analysts, 412-234-5601; outside Pa., 800-245-1094, or inside Pa., 800-872-3019; or J. T. Tuskan of Mellon Bank

media, 412-234-0850; or Howard Glassroth of Ameritrust, 216-737-5145.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - T2 Medical Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: TSQM) today announced that Anthony C. Smith would become a member of the company's board of directors effective Oct. 1.

Smith established Anthony Smith Advisors Inc., on Jan. 1, 1988, and has actively consulted T2 Medical on numerous financial matters since the company's initial public offering in May 1988. Smith's firm is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a Registered Investment Advisor.

From 1984 through 1987, Smith was the director of the Financial Advisory Service for Kidder, Peabody & Co. for the Southeastern Region. From 1975 through 1984, Smith was an attorney in the law firm of Carter, Ansley, Smith & McLendon, where his practice involved the areas of estate and financial planning, pension planning, insurance law, and tax planning.

Smith holds a B.B.A. (Finance) degree and a J.D. (Law) degree from the University of Georgia and a Masters of Taxation degree from Georgia State University.

In commenting upon the addition to the board of directors, Thomas E. Haire, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, stated: "We are extremely pleased that the company is able to obtain the services of Mr. Smith. Having been an active consultant to the company since May 1988, Tony is thoroughly familiar with the company's business and brings a complete understanding of the financial industry and the challenges and opportunities which it represents for the company. He has excellent business and financial skills and his financial service experience will assist the company immensely in its continued growth."

T2 Medical is a leading provider of home infusion therapy in the United States. Infusion therapy is the administration to a patient of nutrients, antibiotics and other drugs and fluids, either intravenously or through a feeding tube.

CONTACT: Thomas E. Haire, chairman, or Dale R. Benzine, 404-442-2160, both of T2 Medical.

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DETROIT (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Electric utility professionals will learn more about the needs of their industrial and commercial customers when Detroit Edison serves as host for the Great Lakes Power Association's fall conference

Oct. 24-26.

John E. Lobbia, chairman and chief executive officer of Detroit Edison (NYSE: DTE), and Gary S. Dewey, president of the Great Lakes Power Association, will address the conference at the Omni International Hotel in downtown Detroit.

Additionally, experts from the electric utility and other manufacturing industries will discuss advances in electric forging, infrared drying, power quality, glass processing and ion nitriding, as well as trends in marketing and sales. The conference also will feature an update on the environmental impact of chloro-flourocarbons, chemicals used primarily for refrigeration.

A $70 registration fee is due Oct. 24, but reservations are requested by Oct. 12. For further information, call Detroit Edison's Peter Snyder at 313-237-8922.

The 60-year-old Great Lakes Power Association is composed of 18 electric utilities from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota and Wisconsin. The association promotes use of energy-efficient state-of- the-art electric technology to improve commercial and industrial operations.

CONTACT: Vanessa Waters, 313-237-7255, or Martin L. Bufalini, 313-237-8808, both of Detroit Edison.

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CLEVELAND, NC (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Cansorb Industries Corporation (NASDAQ: CJBC) today issued the following statement:

Further to the Company's news release dated June 1, 1990, Cansorb Industries has been advised by the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation systems (NASDAQ) that the Company has complied with the terms of NASDAQ's capital and surplus requirements. Effective Sept. 11, 1990, the Company was included in NASDAQ under the symbol CJBC.

Effective Aug. 30, 1990, the Company converted $318,723.00 of its debentures into 5,099,574 common shares. All of the convertible debentures have now been converted into common shares of the Company. Also, the Company issued $200,000.00 of Class "A" $10.00 par value preferred shares convertible into common shares at $1.50 per share. As of Aug. 30, 1990, there will be 18,021,233 common shares issued and outstanding.

CONTACT: William B. Kraigsley, Managing Director, Cansorb Industries Corporation, 704-278-9603.

-30- 1166

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Index Technology Corporation (NASDAQ: INDX), a leading developer and marketer of computer-aided software engineering (CASE) products, today announced that although it anticipates a revenue increase for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of approximately 15 percent over the same period last year, the company anticipates a loss of approximately $500,000, or 10 cents per share, for the quarter.

Richard A. Carpenter, chairman and chief executive officer of Index Technology attributed the loss to the cost of investment in the next generation of its product line and lower than expected revenue.

"Index Technology is in the midst of a series of significant product roll-outs that demonstrate our long-term market strategy as well as our confidence in the CASE marketplace and our commitment to the market's long-term needs," said Carpenter. "Two of those products were announced during this past quarter and they have received a favorable response."

In July, Index Technology announced 4Front, a product developed under a strategic alliance with the professional services firm of Deloitte & Touche. In September, the company introduced Excelerator for Design Recovery, the first product to bring CASE analysis and design capabilities to the critical problem of maintaining, enhancing and documenting existing information systems. The company plans two more significant product introductions in the near future.

"While we regret this loss for the quarter, we at Index Technology are confident in our long-term corporate strategy and in the soundness of our product line," Carpenter said.

Index Technology's Excelerator Series are the world's most widely used systems analysis and design CASE products, with an installed base of more than 24,000 copies. The company, founded in 1983, markets its products from its Cambridge Mass., headquarters, field sales and support offices throughout the U.S. and Canada, subsidiaries in the U.K., France, Germany, Sweden, Denmark and Australia, and through third-party distributors, providing coverage in approximately 40 countries worldwide.

CONTACT: J. Jeffrey Bingenheimer, senior vice president, finance and operations of Index Technology Corporation, 617-494-8200, ext. 130.

-30- 2472

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NEWPORT NEWS, VA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The Flight International Group, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: FLTI) announced today that the Comptroller General of the United States has recommended that the U.S. Navy terminate a $250 million contract with Sabreliner Corporation and award the contract to Flight International.

The recommendation, which involves the five-year Under-graduate Naval Flight Officer (UNFO) Training Program, follows a protest lodged by Flight International in March 1990 when the contract was first awarded to Sabreliner Corporation.

The protest was lodged by Flight International when the company learned that its bid had been rejected. The Comptroller General found in favor of Flight International: "We therefore find that Sabreliner's evaluation under the technical factor lacked a reasonable basis and, as a result of the failure to properly take into account Sabreliner's weakness in this regard, that Flight International's superiority under the technical factor was understated. Again Sabreliner's perceived advantage with respect to price--the other most important evaluation factor--was in error. Since the management factor was significantly less important than technical and cost, we find no basis in the evaluation record for concluding that any weakness of Flight International's management proposal effect Flight International's superiority under the significantly more important technical factor. Thus, absent consideration of financial capability, award to any offeror other than Flight International would be an abuse of discretion."

Following a thorough review by the Comptroller General, Flight International's protest was sustained: "By letter of today to the Secretary of the Navy, we are recommending that the agency determine the (financial) responsibility of Flight International, and, if the firm is found non-responsible, refer the matter to the SBA (Small Business Administration). If the SBA issues a COC (Certificate of Competency) to Flight International, the contract awarded to Sabreliner should be terminated for the convenience of the government and award should be made to Flight International...We find that Flight International is entitled to be reimbursed its protest costs."

The Flight International Group, Inc. is a leader in aviation services with interests in government and military contracts as well as commercial flight operations.

CONTACT: Art Gormley of Hill and Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for Flight International Group.

-30- 2700

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RESTON, VA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - DynCorp (NASDAQ: DYNPP), formerly Dynalectron Corporation, has been awarded two government contracts, collectively valued at over $5 million. Both contracts represent new customers for the Reston-headquartered professional and technical services firm.

Under the terms of the first contract, with the Department of Justice, DynCorp

will supervise the installation of intrusion detection systems in the residences of United States Marshals Service employees nationwide. DynCorp will perform site surveys, inspect system installations and provide user training. The two-year contract begins Oct. 1, 1990.

Under a second contract with the Food and Drug Administration, DynCorp will operate and maintain the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition's facility and equipment in Laurel, Md. This research facility is dedicated to the exploration of health and safety issues in the nation's food supply, including nutrition, toxicology, food additives and microbiology. The three-year contract commences on Jan. 1, 1991.

The awards reflect the company's strategy of decreasing its dependence on the Department of Defense. According to DynCorp President and Chief Executive Officer Dan R. Bannister: "Although they are not large in terms of revenue dollars, these awards are strategically significant. They broaden our current customer base within the U.S. government and create opportunities for us to further build our reputation for customer satisfaction in non-defense related capacities."

DynCorp is an employee-owned professional and technical services firm providing a wide range of services to government and commercial clients worldwide.

CONTACT: Janine Carey Ossareh of DynCorp, 703-264-9258.

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LONDON (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Guinness PLC today announced the sale of its majority shareholding in Bodegas AGE, the Spanish Rioja wine business, to the Industrial and Financial Corporation of Banesto, a major Spanish group.

Guinness has sold its 51 percent interest in Bodegas AGE for 10 million pounds sterling. This sale of the group's remaining wine business, forms part of its overall strategy of focusing on its core beer and spirits activities.

Bodegas AGE is one of the three largest Rioja houses and is the leading exporter of Rioja wine. The company produces a variety of important Rioja brands, such as Siglo Saco and Romeral, and also a smaller volume of highly regarded Gran Reservas.

CONTACT: Bill Spears of Guinness, Great Britain, 011-4471-486- 0288; or Karyn Plickert of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840 for Guinness.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Gulf Canada Resources Ltd. (Toronto, Montreal: GOU) today announced that the September 1990 dividend rate for its Fixed/Adjustable Rate Senior Preference Shares, Series 1, has been calculated at $0.047 per share. The dividend is payable on Oct. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: Craig Langpap of Gulf Canada Resources Ltd., 403-233-4341.

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#90275p0711 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Spelling Entertainment Inc. (AMEX: SP), a leading entertainment production and distribution company, today reported net income for fiscal 1990 of $6,510,000 on a 10 percent increase in revenues for the year ended July 31, 1990.

For fiscal 1990 revenues were $158,025,000, up from $143,856,000 for the previous year. Operating income totaled $21,736,000, up from $20,849,000 a year ago. Net income attributable to common shares was $5,010,000, or $.15 per share, compared to $11,88,000, or $.48 per share, for fiscal 1989.

Revenues for the fourth quarter decreased to $38,837,000 from $43,883,000 for the final 1989 fiscal quarter. Net income attributable to common shares was $722,000, or $.02 per share, a decrease from $3,086,000, or $.09 per share, recorded for the comparable year-earlier period.

Spelling Entertainment includes the results of Worldvision Enterprises, Inc. and Laurel Entertainment, Inc. since their acquisition on March 1, 1989.

Expenses for the 1990 fiscal year include a full twelve months of the amortization of acquisition costs not allocated to specific assets, compared to only five months in the prior fiscal year, as well as the cost of financing the cash portion of the acquisitions, and preferred stock dividends. In addition, the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 reflects the write off of costs associated with the exploration of the potential sale of the company, the plans for which were terminated during the fourth quarter.

Net income for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989 included $6,000,000 received from American Broadcasting Company in satisfaction of series commitments not fulfilled, an amount substantially offset by the writedown of production and development costs incurred on pilots and series not ordered by the television networks for the current production season.

According to Aaron Spelling, chairman and chief executive officer, "the past several months have been exciting ones for the company. The success of 'Twin Peaks' in the Spring has prompted the ABC Network to renew the program for this Fall season. A new half hour series entitled 'American Chronicles,' produced by David Lynch and Mark Frost, was ordered by the Fox Broadcasting

Company for the airing of at least 13 episodes this Fall. Our Worldvision subsidiary has acquired the worldwide distribution rights for both of these properties.

"A new one hour dramatic series entitled 'Beverly Hills, 90210,' produced by Torand Productions, a wholly owned subsidiary of Spelling Entertainment Inc., is scheduled for airing in the Fall by the Fox Broadcasting Company. Our Laurel Entertainment subsidiary produced 'Tales From The Dark Side: The Movie ' which was among the top ten grossing movies for four consecutive weeks and has commenced production on an additional 24 episodes of its current series, 'Monsters.' Additionally, Aaron Spelling Productions is working on a number of films for television that are expected to be aired this season," he continued.

"The company will also produce a new theatrical motion picture for Paramount entitled 'Soapdish.' Shooting starts on Oct. 22 for release sometime next year," Spelling stated.

Spelling Entertainment Inc. is primarily engaged in the development, production and distribution of television series, television series pilots, movies for television, and television mini-series. The company also produces feature films financed and distributed primarily by major studios and licenses music and merchandising rights associated with its television properties.

CONTACT: John T. Brady, senior vice president of Spelling Entertainment, 213-965-5822, or Jim Goldman, 212-661-8030, or Donna Limper, 312-266-7800, both of The Financial Relations Board, for Spelling

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) announced today that it has filed a registration statement under Rule 415 with the Securities and Exchange Commission for $500 million of First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds for sale at future dates to be determined.

The net proceeds from the sales of these bonds will be used for the reduction of the outstanding amount of certain series of the company's previously issued high-interest-rate, long-term debt or high-dividend- rate preferred stock and/or for general corporate purposes.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

------ This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be

unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

CONTACT: Neil McDermott of Philadelphia Electric, 215-841-4122

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SUNRISE, Fla. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Jan Bell Marketing, Inc. (AMEX: JBM) announced today that W. Gregory Robertson has been elected to fill a vacancy on its board of directors.

Robertson, president of TM Capital Corp., a New York-based investment banking firm, has been an advisor to Jan Bell for several years. He formerly was executive vice president and director of investment banking at Thomson McKinnon Securities Inc., which had been one of Jan Bell's early investment bankers. Robertson began his career and spent 15 years at Goldman Sachs & Co. one of Jan Bell's investment bankers today.

"Greg has been a valued advisor over the years and now, with him serving directly on our board, we can take maximum advantage of his experience in counseling a wide range of companies to help even more in objectively guiding Jan Bell's corporate development and operating growth in the 1990s," said Lee A. Mills, vice chairman of Jan Bell.

Jan Bell is a leading provider of fine jewelry and popular watches to the value-conscious consumer through power-format marketing programs in conjunction with distribution channels that emphasize quality, credibility and consistent value.

CONTACT: Rosemary B. Trudeau, vice president of finance of Jan Bell Marketing, 305-846-2798; or Jay M. Green, 212-661-8030, or Kathy Waller, 312-266-7800, of the Financial Relations Board for Jan Bell

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DALLAS (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Jess Hay, chairman and chief executive officer of the Lomas Financial Group (NYSE: LFC), announced today that Gene H. Bishop has been elected vice chairman of the board and chief financial officer of Lomas Financial Corp. and president and chief operating officer of its mortgage banking division, Lomas Mortgage USA.

Bishop has been a member of Lomas Financial Corp.'s board of directors since 1969. He will remain on its board. As president of Lomas Mortgage USA, Bishop succeeds Paul M. Low, who is retiring after a tenure of 32 years with the company.

Commenting on Low's retirement, Hay noted that, "Paul Low has been a creative force in the development of Lomas Mortgage USA throughout his tenure. He has served us well, and will be missed."

Bishop, who recently retired as chairman and chief executive officer of MCorp, was president of Lomas Financial Corp. from 1969 to 1975. He left Lomas in 1975 to become chief executive officer of Mercantile National Bank of Dallas and Mercantile National Corp., the predecessor company to MCorp. He retired from MCorp in July 1990.

"Gene Bishop's management skills, knowledge of the mortgage industry and expertise in the disciplines necessary to achieve the aggressive goals set forth in our five year business plan will prove of great value to our company in the months and years ahead," Hay said. "He adds an important dimension to our management team. We are very pleased to have him back."

Bishop said that he sees tremendous opportunity for growth in Lomas' mortgage businesses.

"We see a substantial amount of mortgage servicing business coming available over the next several years," Bishop said. "Lomas Mortgage USA and Lomas Information Systems are outstanding organizations with staffs of extremely talented people. As one of the industry's lowest cost producers, with the finest, most sophisticated computer system available, Lomas is in an extremely strong position to take advantage of opportunities for growth."

Hay said that he began talking with Bishop about coming back to Lomas in a senior management position upon learning of Bishop's decision to retire from MCorp.

In addition to Lomas Financial Corp., Bishop currently serves on the boards of Lomas & Nettleton Mortgage Investors, MCorp, Republic Financial Services Inc., Southwest Airlines Co., Southwestern Public Service Co. and VISystems, Inc.

CONTACT: Jess Hay of Lomas Financial Group, 214-746-7100; or Michael Sitrick of Sitrick and Co., 213-208-1108, for Lomas Financial Group

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Equimark Corp. (NYSE: EQK) today announced that it expects to report a net loss for the third quarter of 1990 projected in the range of $12.0 million to $14.5 million, equal to a net loss per common share of between $1.08 and $1.29.

Including this third quarter projected loss, Equimark's results of operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, would aggregate a projected net loss of between $43.0 million, or $3.80 per share, and $45.5 million, or $4.01 per

share. Equimark reported a corporate net loss of $15,525,000, or $1.38 per share, in the second quarter of this year. For comparison, Equimark reported consolidated net income of $6,047,000, or $0.48 per share, in the third quarter of 1989 and $15,750,000, or $1.31 per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

It is presently anticipated that the third quarter financial results will be released in mid-October, 1990.

As of June 29, 1990, the federal and state bank regulatory agencies began their regularly scheduled examinations of the Equibank and Liberty Savings Bank subsidiaries of Equimark. At this time the on-site portions of these examinations are nearing completion.

The continuing deterioration of various economic conditions in Equimark's market area has led to a further bolstering of Equimark's reserve for possible loan losses. It is projected that Equimark's reserve will be increased to approximately 2.30 percent of loans outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990, up from 2.18 percent of loans at June 30, 1990. The increase in the reserve principally relates to the corporation's Liberty Bank subsidiary in Philadelphia.

Equimark's nonearning assets at Sept. 30, 1990, are projected to increase by approximately 7 percent to 10 percent over the June 30, 1990, level of $65,608,000. A significant percentage of the increase relates to the Liberty Bank commercial real estate portfolio. The coverage of the nonearning asset totals by the reserve for possible loan losses is projected to remain approximately the same as June 30, 1990, at 82 percent.

While the 1990 third quarter provision for possible loan losses remains high, corporate results are projected to include a reduction in the provision of approximately 40 percent from the second quarter of 1990. Net loan chargeoffs in the third quarter of 1990 are projected to be approximately one-half the amount of the prior quarter. A significant portion of the expected reduction in quarterly net loan losses relates to the nonrecurrence of losses from retained delinquent balances associated with the April 1990 credit card portfolio sale. In addition, lower net chargeoffs from Equimark's other consumer portfolios are anticipated. Projected net loan chargeoffs in the commercial, commercial mortgage and construction portfolios in the 1990 third quarter are anticipated to be between 40 percent and 50 percent lower than in the second quarter of 1990 and less than one-half the comparable net chargeoffs in the first quarter of 1990.

As a result of the full quarter effect of the April 30, 1990, sale of $349.1 million of credit card loans, Equimark's net interest income in the 1990 third quarter is projected to decline by approximately 5 percent from the second quarter of this year. The credit card sale accounted for a net gain of $14.3 million in the 1990 second quarter. In addition, a lower level of consulting

and other service fees, principally related to services performed by EquiManagement, will be realized in the third quarter.

The corporation also anticipates a reduction in operating expenses by approximately 20 percent from the second to the third quarter of 1990. Professional fees and legal expenses are projected to decline by approximately $6.0 million, or 70 percent, from the second quarter of 1990. Additionally, operating results in the second quarter of 1990 absorbed a one-time loss of $4.1 million on the sale of an under-performing balance sheet hedge.

It is anticipated that total consolidated assets of Equimark at Sept. 30, 1990 will approximate the June 30, 1990, total of $3.5 billion.

At Sept. 30, 1990, Equimark's ratio of primary capital and reserves to assets is projected to approximate 8.0 percent. The primary capital positions of each of its banking subsidiaries are projected to remain above minimum regulatory requirements.

Equimark Corp. is a diversified financial services institution with total assets of approximately $3.5 billion. Equimark's principal subsidiaries are Equibank, The Liberty Financial Group Inc., EquiManagement Inc. and Treasure Valley Bancorp Inc. Equibank, with assets of approximately $2.8 billion, operates 55 offices in southwestern Pennsylvania. Liberty is the parent of Liberty Savings Bank, a Philadelphia-based, FDIC-insured savings bank with 21 offices and assets of approximately $660 million. EquiManagement provides management consulting services, primarily to financial institutions. Treasure Valley Bancorp Inc. is the parent of Treasure Valley Bank, an FDIC-insured bank with assets of approximately $80 million and eight offices in southwestern Idaho.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Krelitz Industries (NASDAQ: KRLZ) announced today that the previously reported discussions with Eagle Drugs, Inc. regarding a possible acquisition of Eagle Drugs by Krelitz have been terminated.

Krelitz Industries, Inc. is the largest independent drug wholesaler in the upper Midwest. The company also distributes general merchandise and develops and markets computerized management systems.

The company's common stock is traded nationally over-the-counter under the

NASDAQ symbol: KRLZ.

CONTACT: Barry M. Krelitz or Dennis J. Allingham of Krelitz Industries, 612-936-0401

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ATLANTA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - CIBA Vision Corp., a subsidiary of CIBA-GEIGY Corp., today announced the formation of CIBA Vision Ophthalmics(TM), a business expansion into the ophthalmic pharmaceutical market.

Internationally, CIBA-GEIGY Limited, Basle, Switzerland, and ZYMA S.A. NYON also announced that ZYMA's board has approved, in principle, the sale of its ophthalmics business to CIBA Vision. Since CIBA-GEIGY Limited is the majority shareholder of ZYMA, the purchase price will be established by an independent financial auditor and will be subject to final approval by ZYMA's board of directors.

Domestically, Jim Callahan, president and chief executive officer of CIBA Vision Corp., has appointed Stephen M. Martin president of the new division.

"Steve's expertise in business development and former pharmaceutical experience make him ideally qualified to guide CIBA Vision into this new stage of development," Callahan said.

In 1980, Martin was CIBA Vision Corp.'s first employee, appointed as vice president of operations from CIBA-GEIGY's Pharmaceutical Division. He most recently served as CIBA Vision Corp. executive vice president of technical affairs and business development in Atlanta and as a member of the CIBA Vision worldwide group management committee headquartered near Zurich, Switzerland. He received his bachelor's degree from Wake Forest University in North Carolina and later studied law at Woodrow Wilson College of Law in Atlanta.

"When we first started CIBA Vision in the United States we were the 27th entry into the contact lens market. Only 10 years later, we are a market leader. Innovative products, forceful marketing, and a customer orientation have allowed us to become a successful and profitable business providing quality soft contact lenses and lens care products," Martin said. "Today, we are ready to do it again. Combining our industry experience, the pharmaceutical expertise of our parent company CIBA-GEIGY and our commitment to make it happen, we will continue the successful growth of CIBA Vision."

Martin appointed Bruce Riddell as the vice president of marketing and sales for CIBA Vision Ophthalmics. Riddell has more than six years of marketing and sales experience in the ophthalmic industry, most recently working with Allergan Inc. Riddell holds a graduate degree in business from Pepperdine University in Malibu and a graduate degree in physiology from California State

University in Long Beach.

"We are excited about expanding the offerings of CIBA Vision," Riddell said. "The diversification strategy into the ophthalmic pharmaceutical market today will give CIBA Vision Ophthalmics the opportunity to offer innovative products which will meet the needs of eye care specialists tomorrow."

CIBA Vision Ophthalmics will be located in the new headquarters of CIBA Vision Corp. at 11460 John's Creek Parkway, Atlanta, Ga., 30136.

CIBA Vision Corp., a subsidiary of CIBA-GEIGY Corp., is a leading manufacturer of soft contact lenses and lens care products. CIBA-GEIGY Corp. is a leading developer and manufacturer of agricultural chemicals, pharmaceuticals, dyes, plastics, vision care products and specialty chemicals in the United States. CIBA-GEIGY Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of CIBA-GEIGY Limited of Basle, Switzerland.

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#90275p0740 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, Calif. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - UTI Chemicals Inc. has signed an agreement with American Pacific Co. (NASDAQ: APFC) of Irvine. American Pacific will be an agent representing UTI's automotive technology to the original equipment and automotive aftermarket industries. The first company who will use UTI's patented automotive technology is Daihatsu Motor Co. Ltd.

American Pacific Co. is a marketing service and project management company. They represent various companies that supply parts and accessories to the automotive, motorcycle and power products industries. American Pacific has done projects for Suzuki, Toyota and Mitsubishi.

UTI has conducted extensive research and development on automotive parts for the past 12 months. Approximately 22 parts were engineered for Daihatsu. Prototype molds were made and the parts were tested. Production molds are near completion and manufacturing will commence within a few months.

The Daihatsu parts will be manufactured in the United States by Star Custom Products Inc. of Anaheim, Calif. Star Custom Products already does urethane automotive parts for the aftermarket. They presently have the necessary equipment in order to go into production. Additional equipment will be purchased from UTI which will speed their production line. "Star Custom Products will then purchase their chemical systems from UTI under a license agreement," says Vincent F. Panaroni, president of UTI Chemical Inc.

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Chemicals Inc., 714-837-0800

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SUNRISE, Fla. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Jan Bell Marketing, Inc. (AMEX: JBM) announced the addition of three executives to its corporate management team.

Jay M. McGuire Jay M. McGuire has joined the company in the newly created position of president - retail division, spearheading Jan Bell's expanding involvement in retail sales of fine jewelry. McGuire previously spent his entire 20-year professional career with Kentucky Fired Chicken, a division of Pepsico. Most recently, he served as general manager of KFC - Western Canada, responsible for the market development in that region of over 250 company-owned and franchised Kentucky Fried Chicken stores. McGuire holds a B.A. in finance and served as an intelligence analyst in the U.S. Army.

"Jay's experience should enhance Jan Bell's expanding efforts in the retail sector, including our 'jewelry store-within-a-store' power formats," said Lee A. Mills, vice chairman of Jan Bell.

Merrell M. Tomlin Merrell M. Tomlin has joined Jan Bell in the newly-established position of senior vice president of sales - wholesale division (watches), leading the company's expanding efforts in the marketing of well-known, popular watches.

Tomlin formerly served for five years as National Sales Manger - Timepiece Division of Casio, Inc. His experience also includes both retail and wholesale sales of home-electronic and other consumer products with Capital Marketing Group, Sweetheart Cup Corp. and Helig Meyers Co. Tomlin has a B.S. degree in marketing management.

"Merrell's responsibilities include coordinating sales between Jan Bell and our joint venture with Big Ben Corporation, a leading independent distributor of timepieces, through which we are strategically sourcing the growing sales of watches in our company's fine jewelry programs," said Alan H. Lipton, co-chairman of Jan Bell.

Thomas Pecott Thomas Pecott has joined Jan Bell as director of management information systems, guiding what is considered to be the most sophisticated MIS operation in the U.S. jewelry industry.

Pecott most recently spent eight years as director - information services of Domino's Pizza, Inc., where he established and supervised that company's MIS operation. Earlier, Pecott served for seven years as manager - management consulting group of Arthur Andersen & Company. Pecott is a certified public accountant and holds a B.A. in accounting.

"Tom is managing Jan Bell's advanced, computerized MIS operation, which is expanding and currently integrating our own sophisticated POS (point-of-sale) system, including bar-code identification of our jewelry merchandise, for the most efficient monitoring of sales and inventory by both individual stockkeeping unit and store location," said Rosemary B. Trudeau, vice president - finance of Jan Bell.

Isaac Arguetty, co-chairman, added, "Jay McGuire, Merrill Tomlin and Tom Pecott joining Jan Bell's corporate team represents the selective addition of talented executives in order to properly manage our company's broadening growth in the 1990s."

Jan Bell is a leading provider of fine jewelry and popular watches to the value-conscious consumer through distribution channels that emphasize quality, credibility and consistent value.

CONTACT: Rosemary B. Trudeau, VP-finance of Jan Bell Marketing, 305-846-2789, or Jay M. Green, 212-661-8030, or Kathy Waller, 312-266-7800, both of The Financial Relations Board, for Jan Bell Marketing

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#90275p0746 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The May Department Stores Co. announced today that its Board of Directors has authorized the distribution of .13 shares of common stock of Venture Stores Inc., per share of May common stock to holders of record of May common stock at the close of business on Oct. 15, 1990. May expects to distribute approximately 16 million shares of Venture common stock in the spin-off. The shares of Venture common stock will be distributed on or about Nov. 3, 1990. After the spin-off, May will own no shares of Venture common stock. The spin-off will complete May's previously announced disposition of Venture, May's wholly owned discount retail subsidiary.

In August, May postponed the previously announced initial public offering of approximately 15 percent of the Venture common stock due to current market conditions. May said that in light of market conditions, May determined not to pursue the initial public offering.

The elimination of the initial public offering will result in Venture reducing the dividend paid to May from $305 million to $262.5 million. Venture currently intends to pay quarterly cash dividends at an annual rate of 54 cents per share of common stock and, subject to certain conditions and declaration by the Board of Directors of Venture, intends to pay its first dividend on Dec. 15, 1990, to holders of record at the close of business on Dec. 1, 1990, and quarterly thereafter.

CONTACT: Jim Abrams of the May Department Stores Co., 314-342-6343; or Philip

G. Otto of Venture Stores Inc., 314-281-7800

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#90275p0751 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOSTON (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Chancellor Corporation (NASDAQ: CHCR) announced today that, on Sept. 28, 1990, it sold to Lauritzen Corporation for $5.4 million in cash all of the stock of Diversified Financial Services, Inc. (DFS) a newly-formed Chancellor subsidiary that has acquired substantially all of the assets of Chancellor subsidiaries, Chancellor Financialease, Inc. and Valmont Financial Corporation. The completed sale is subject to expiration of the notification period required by the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act, and the final sale price is to be adjusted according to a closing review of the sale of the assets subject to the sale.

DFS's assets consist of stock of Valmont Credit Corp., Valmont Indemnity Company, Valmont Indemnity Company, Ltd., (the "Valmont Companies") and certain assets held by other Chancellor subsidiaries related to the Valmont Companies. The Valmont Companies, based in Omaha, Neb., are engaged in financing irrigation systems, mobile agricultural equipment, microcomputers and other products, and in providing property and casualty insurance for its lessees and customers.

Founded in 1977, Chancellor Corporation has, in recent years, concentrated on the leasing of transportation equipment. It is also involved in the leasing of aircraft, communications, medical, agricultural and other equipment. Chancellor Corporation common stock is listed on the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASDAQ) National Market System.

CONTACT: Stephen G. Morison, president and CEO; or William C. Sprong, senior vice president, treasurer and CFO, 617-728-8500, both of Chancellor Corp.

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KENT, Wash. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Mervin Shetler has been named vice president of Operations for the Aerospace & Electronics Division of Boeing Defense & Space Group, replacing Randolph Mitchell Jr., who has retired.

Shetler oversees the division's manufacturing, materiel, quality assurance, quality improvement, facilities and environmental activities. His responsibilities include all developmental and production support of the division's electronics, missiles and space projects and programs. In addition, Shetler oversees manufacturing facilities in Oak Ridge, Tenn., and Corinth, Texas.

Shetler reports to John Sheridan, Defense & Space Group executive vice president for the Aerospace & Electronics Division. About 6,900 of the

division's 26,000 employees report to Shetler.

Shetler earned a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering in 1959 from the Indiana Institute of Technology in Fort Wayne. Later that year, he joined Boeing as an electronics manufacturing engineer.

A variety of assignments followed on military and space programs. His Boeing career twice took him to positions outside the Seattle area: He worked on the Apollo/Saturn space program in New Orleans and served as Military Systems director of Operations at Boeing Military Airplane Co. in Wichita, Kan. In the latter, he oversaw the manufacturing of avionics systems, aircraft simulators, automated test equipment and aircraft modifications.

In 1987, Shetler became vice president of Operations for Boeing Electronics, where he directed military and commercial electronics product procurement, as well as manufacturing and test functions at facilities in Seattle, Wichita, and Corinth and Irving, Texas.

In May 1989, he was named vice president of Manufacturing. Shetler was awarded in 1978 his Professional Engineering certification in manufacturing engineering/electronics. He was born in North Dakota, grew up in Indiana and served in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1955.

CONTACT: Carol Lawrence of Boeing Aerospace & Electronics, 206-773-2816

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BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Pathe Communications Corp. (NYSE: PCC) announced today that Barry Jenkins has resigned by mutual consent as managing director of the Pathe Group (UK) Ltd. to enable him to pursue his family business interests.

At the same time, the company announced that Martin Evans has been relieved of his duties as finance director of Pathe Group (UK) Ltd.

Pathe Communications Corp. is one of the world's largest producers, distributors and exhibitors of motion pictures primarily for the international theatrical market. The company also distributes motion pictures for commercial television and home video markets.

CONTACT: Craig A. Parsons of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Pathe Communications Corp.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Global Income Plus Fund, Inc. (NYSE: GLI), a

closed-end management investment company seeking current income and capital appreciation through investment in U.S. and foreign debt securities, today announced that the fund's board of directors has declared a dividend of $0.25 per share representing net investment income for the period from July 1, 1990 through Sept. 30, 1990. The dividend is payable on Oct. 26, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Oct. 12, 1990. The ex-dividend date is Oct. 5, 1990.

CONTACT: Frank J. Maresca of Global Income Plus Fund, 212-713-2421

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DETROIT (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The following is a General Motors statement in response to the federal budget agreement reached last week:

We support the summit agreement, which should result in real reductions of the budget deficit. We understand Congress will have the opportunity, within the framework of the agreement, to remedy unintended problems, but we believe nothing should be done that would jeopardize passage.

We also note that the single largest revenue raiser in the package is a significant increase in the gasoline tax. Clearly this tax will result in real energy conservation as people cut back on driving and move to more fuel-efficient vehicles. We believe a broader based energy fee or tax would have been more equitable in spreading the burden and cost of conservation.

Unfortunately, a gasoline tax places a disproportionate share on the highway user, especially since a portion of it will be used for deficit reduction instead of funding for highways and bridges. Nonetheless, this gasoline tax increase is the kind of market-based approach to conservation that will be effective, as opposed to the disruptive and inefficient Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) program.

CONTACT: William W. Noack in Washington, D.C., 202-775-5008, or John J. Hartnett in Detroit, 313-556-2087, both of General Motors

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#90275p0783 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Allegheny & Western Energy Corporation (NASDAQ: ALGH) announced today that the company's net income for the year ended June 30, 1990 was $2,984,104 or $.37 per share compared to $3,323,825 or $.41 per share for the previous year. Pre-tax income for the year ended June 30, 1990 was $807,000 compared to $4,765,000 for the previous year. The company's net earnings were higher than pre-tax earnings due to a one-time tax benefit and the company's ability to utilize a large portion of its Devonian Shale credits generated from West Virginia production. The lower pre-tax

earnings for the year ended June 30, 1990 are primarily due to lower earnings at the company's utility, start-up costs for company's Texas drilling operations, lower investment income and lower other income. Revenues were higher primarily due to increased gas acquisition costs at Mountaineer. However, as a consequence of warmer weather, gas volumes and profits were lower compared to the same period last year.

On Sept. 13, 1990, the company announced that it had drilled and completed three horizontal wells in the Austin Chalk. One of the horizontal wells, the Lane No. 4 well, tested at a rate of 2,050 barrels of oil per day and 920,000 cubic feet of natural gas per day with a flowing tubing pressure of 535 pounds per square inch through a 33/64th inch choke. The Lane No. 4 well was the longest horizontal well with the highest potential test in LaSalle County, Texas.

The company anticipates stronger earnings for fiscal 1991, in part due to the recent rate case order affecting the utility, higher oil prices and the company's initial development of its acreage in the Austin Chalk with horizontal drilling. The recent rate case order for the company's utility became effective July 13, 1990, and the authorized rate of return on equity contained in this increase would allow Mountaineer under normal operating and weather conditions to earn up to a 12.12 percent net return on the utility's common equity.

ALLEGHENY & WESTERN ENERGY CORPORATION

Year ended June 30;	1990	1989
Revenues	$188,360,509	$174,296,104
Pretax income	807,323	4,764,539
Earnings per share	$.37	$.41
Average shares outstanding	8,083,188	8,088,941

Allegheny & Western Energy Corporation, based in Charleston, W.Va., conducts oil and gas exploration and development in Texas and West Virginia and owns Mountaineer Gas Company, the largest gas distribution utility in West Virginia operating approximately 3,600 miles of natural gas distribution pipeline.

CONTACT: Jonathan M. Conrad of Allegheny & Western, 212-758-5556

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Pretax income	807,323	4,764,539
Earnings per share	$.37	$.41
Average shares outstanding	8,083,188	8,088,941

Allegheny & Western Energy Corporation, based in Charleston, W.Va., conducts oil and gas exploration and development in Texas and West Virginia and owns Mountaineer Gas Company, the largest gas distribution utility in West Virginia operating approximately 3,600 miles of natural gas distribution pipeline.

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SANTA CLARA, Calif. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - FMC Corp. (NYSE: FMC) announced that its Ground Systems Division in San Jose, Calif. has been awarded three contracts valued at nearly $88 million.

The largest of the three contracts is a $75 million agreement for 335 M113 Armored Personnel Carriers, including M113A3s and M577 command post vehicles.

The contract includes vehicles destined for the U.S. Army, the National Guard and foreign customers. Production of these vehicles is scheduled to run from April 1991 to March 1992.

Two smaller contracts call for engineering development programs and "kit" production. One contract is for $10.8 million to incorporate more advanced electronic equipment in 62 M577s. The process is expected to take 33 months and the modified vehicles will be re-classified as M1068 vehicles.

Another contract is for $2.1 million to improve the mechanical performance and electrical generator system of one M1015, an intelligence and electronic warfare vehicle. The process is expected to take one year.

FMC Corp., headquartered in Chicago, is one of the world's leading producers of machinery and chemials for industry, government and agriculture. The company operates 89 manufacturing and mine facilities in 24 states and 14 foreign countries. The company divides its businesses into five major segments: Industrial Chemicals, Precious Metals, Defense Systems, Performance Chemicals, and Machinery and Equipment.

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#90275p0800 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARK RIDGE, ILL. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The Brand Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: BRAN) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase by the company of up to 1,000,000 shares of its common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions over the next 24-month period.

After giving effect to the exercise by Chemical Waste Management, Inc. of options to purchase 2,601,272 shares of the company's common stock announced earlier today, the company will have approximately 21,326,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

Eugene L. Barnett, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated that ''the decision to authorize repurchases of The Brand Companies, Inc. common stock arises from the company's belief that, at the current market prices, The Brand Companies, Inc. common stock is a sound financial investment for the company.''

Common stock repurchased under the program will be held in the company treasury and will be available for use in connection with business acquisitions by the company, in connection with the company's employee stock option programs or for other general corporate purposes.

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#90275p0812 10/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAUSALITO, Calif. (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Light Source Computer Images, Inc. today unveiled new technologies designed to bridge photography, video and microcomputers, and announced strategic partnerships with Apple Computer Inc. (NASDAQ: AAPL) and NEC's Professional Systems Division.

"Photographs and video can significantly improve business communication, but current technology makes it difficult for non- specialists to utilize these communications tools through microcomputers," said Michael Solomon, co-CEO and president of Light Source. "Over the next 12 months, we will introduce a series of products that will give business people, educators and individuals the ability to incorporate video and photographs into their daily work with the same ease with which they now use text."

"Visual images make the most lasting impressions, but extraordinarily high expectations for photographic quality have been set by publications such as 'Life' and 'National Geographic,'" said Rob Cook Light Source founder, co-CEO and chief technical officer. "Our technology meets these high standards while also being easy for anyone to use."

Initially, Light Source technology and software products will be licensed to and distributed through strategic partners. Apple Computer will incorporate Light Source Technology into future developments. Desktop video software produced in cooperation with NEC's Professional Systems Division will provide Macintosh software for NEC's PC-VCR. Light Source software will allow business and home users to do professional-level video editing for the first time at a price, including a Macintosh and the PC-VCR, in the $5,000 range.

"Our alliance with Light Source represents the first real-world bridge between microcomputers and professional video products," said Jeff Locke, vice president of NEC's Professional Systems Division. "For the first time, people will be able to apply the power and ease-of-use of the Macintosh to video, simplifying video editing, creation of interactive presentations, and video archiving and storage." New Light Source Technology for Video and Still Images Video

Light Source video software will ship this month with the NEC PC-VCR, the first low-cost, frame-accurate SuperVHS VCR with a direct personal computer interface (RS232 port). The PC-VCR can record timecode information onto previously recorded video tapes without erasing them. In this way, existing video can be made computer interactive, catalogued or edited.

"Our video software makes this deck the first computer-compatible VCR, and allows teachers, trainers and anyone making presentations to create interactive video from tapes they already have -- with equipment that is

affordable," said Ty Roberts, a Light Source founder.

The Light Source Multimedia Toolkit will be available from NEC for $149 when the NEC PC-VCR ships this month. The Multimedia Toolkit is a HyperCard stack which enables Macintosh users to control the PC-VCR from a Macintosh computer, and export the PC-VCR functions to HyperCard stacks.

In January 1991, a full-featured Light Source video software package will be offered with the PC-VCR for $295. It will include:

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#90275t2703 10/02/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (OCT. 2) TASS - ON MONDAY, THE IZVESTIA NEWSPAPER RAN AN INTERVIEW WITH FORMER SOVIET OIL MINISTER NIKOLAI LEMAEV, WHO RECENTLY RESIGNED FROM HIS POST.

A SERIES OF NEW LAWS DENY THE MINISTER AND MINISTRY WORKERS CONTROL OVER SOME 700 PLANTS AND ASSOCIATIONS IN THE INDUSTRY, LEMAEV COMPLAINED.

MARKET RELATIONS ARE STILL IN THEIR BUDDING STAGE. PRICES ARE SUCH THAT PLANTS OFTEN FIND IT UNPROFITABLE TO PRODUCE PRODUCTS NEEDED BY SOCIETY. MINISTERIAL DIRECTIONS HAVE BEEN REPLACED BY ORDERS FROM LOCAL AUTHORITIES NOT TO TAKE ORDERS FROM THE CENTRE, HE SAID.

SUPPLIERS NOW ENJOY A MONOPOLY, DEMANDING THAT CUSTOMERS PAY IN SCARCE COMMODITIES INSTEAD OF WORTHLESS ROUBLES. THE INDUSTRY IS ALSO UNDER PRESSURE FROM THE GREENS, WHO DEMAND THE CLOSURE OF SOME PLANTS.

"THERE IS PRACTICALLY NO ONE LEFT TO WORK. MANY MINISTRY WORKERS HAVE LEFT FOR COOPERATIVES AND JOINT VENTURES. THOSE REMAINING SEE NO FUTURE PROSPECTS. SOCIETY IS AGAINST THEM. THEY DO NOT FEEL LIKE WORKING. WHAT SHOULD THE MINISTER DO? HOLD ON TO HIS JOB? THIS IS AGAINST MY PRINCIPLES. AND THIS IS WHAT I TOLD NIKOLAI RYZHKOV," LEMAEV SAID.

"RECENTLY THE CABINET DISCUSSED PETROL SHORTAGES IN THE COUNTRY. THERE IS NO FUEL TO COLLECT THE HARVEST. IT IS A PARADOX AS THE WORLD'S BIGGEST OIL EXTRACTOR, WE NOW HAVE TO BUY PETROL ABROAD FOR 400 U.S. DOLLARS PER TONNE. A PROPOSED WAY OUT? -- THE SAME - TO PUMP OUT MORE OIL. TO DRILL MORE WELLS.

"THIS WILL REQUIRE MORE TUBES, PUMPS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT, AND, OF COURSE, MONEY -- AN ADDITIONAL 16 BILLION ROUBLES NEXT YEAR ALONE. THEN MORE MONEY WILL BE NEEDED BECAUSE EXTRACTION COSTS WILL CONTINUE TO RISE.

"THE QUESTION IS WHAT DO WE WANT? TO PUMP MORE OIL OR TO SATISFY DOMESTIC

DEMAND FOR OIL PRODUCTS? THESE ARE TWO DIFFERENT GOALS THE FIGURES ARE SIMPLE: TEN INSTALLATIONS TO PROCESS OIL INTO PETROL COST ONE BILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND ROUBLES.

"THEY COULD PRODUCE 12 MILLION TONNES OF PETROL, MAKING IT UNNECESSARY TO EXTRACT 25 MILLION TONNES OF CRUDE. IS IT NOT CLEAR WHAT DIRECTION WE SHOULD TAKE? BUT, ALAS, WE TEND TO PURSUE INEFFICIENT DEVELOPMENT MODELS.

"WE CONSULTED PLANT DIRECTORS ABOUT WHAT TO DO AND HOW TO KEEP UP THE INDUSTRY GOING. THE COLLEGIUM WILL DISCUSS THE ISSUE TODAY. OUR PROPOSALS ON THE ISSUE WERE SENT TO THE GOVERNMENT IN JULY. WE HAVE YET TO RECEIVE A DEFINITE ANSWER. OUR PROPOSAL BOILS DOWN TO DENATIONALISING ENTERPRISES, TURNING THEM INTO JOINT STOCK COMPANIES IN ORDER TO COMBINE THE INTERESTS OF WORK COLLECTIVES, NATIONAL REPUBLICS, REGIONS AND THE ENTIRE UNION.

"WE PROPOSE SETTING UP, ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS, SEVEN LARGE CORPORATIONS, TO WHOSE LEADERS ENTERPRISES WILL DELEGATE CERTAIN RIGHTS. IN SHORT, WE WOULD TRANSFORM THE INDUSTRY TO ADJUST IT TO A MARKET ECONOMY.

"WE WOULD LIKE OUR LEGACY TO BE A NEW, EFFICIENT SYSTEM, AND NOT A MESS," HE SAID.

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#90275t2705 10/02/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (OCT. 2) TASS - SIX SOVIET JOURNALISTS CONTENDING FOR A FLIGHT IN SPACE, BEGAN THEIR TRAINING SESSIONS ON MONDAY AT THE GAGARIN CENTRE TO TRAIN COSMONAUTS.

THE JOURNALISTS ARE A. ANDRYUSHKOV AND V. BABERDIN (KRASNAYA ZVEZDA NEWSPAPER) YU. KRIKUN (UKRAINIAN TV FILM STUDIO), P. MUKHORTOV (SOVETSKAYA MOLODYOZH NEWSPAPER, RIGA), S. OMELCHENKO (DELOVOI MIR NEWSPAPER) AND V. SHAROV (LITERATURNAYA GAZETA).

TOGETHER WITH THE JOURNALISTS, SPECIALISTS FROM THE USSR HEALTH MINISTRY, MILITARY PILOTS, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ENERGIA SCIENTIFIC AND PRODUCTION ASSOCIATION AND THE USSR MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION WILL TRAIN AS COSMONAUT-RESEARCHERS.

"THE JOURNALISTS' TRAINING WILL CONTINUE UNTIL FEBRUARY 1992," PILOT-COSMONAUT OF THE USSR ALEXEI LEONOV, DEPUTY HEAD OF THE FLIGHT AND SPACE TRAINING CENTRE TOLD TASS.

"THE TRAINING PROGRAMME INCLUDES PHYSICAL TRAINING, THE THEORY OF PILOTING, THE FUNDAMENTALS OF SPACE NAVIGATION, THE STUDY OF SYSTEMS OF THE SOYUZ-TM SPACESHIP, THE ORBITAL COMPLEX MIR AND SPECIALISED MODULES.

"THE CONTENDERS FOR THE SPACE FLIGHT WILL MAKE TEN TRAINING PARACHUTE JUMPS,

LEARN TO FLY A PLANE AND UNDERGO TRAINING ON A SPECIALLY EQUIPPED IL-76, WHICH SIMULATES ZERO GRAVITY FOR 30 SECONDS DURING A SPECIAL AERODYNAMIC MANOEUVRE," LEONOV SAID.

TWO FIRST CANDIDATES FOR THE FLIGHT WILL THEN BE DETERMINED. THEY WILL CONTINUE TRAINING AMONG THE MAIN AND BACK-UP CREWS. THE JOURNALISTS' SPACE FLIGHT IS SCHEDULED FOR 1992, WHICH THE UNITED NATIONS HAS DESIGNATED AS THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE YEAR.

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#90275t2712 10/02/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (OCT. 2) TASS - BY TASS CORRESPONDENT FROM THE MISSION CONTROL CENTRE:

THE NINTH WEEK OF THE TWO SOVIET COSMONAUTS' STAY IN ORBIT IS OVER. IN THE PAST DAYS GENNADY MANAKOV AND GENNADY STREKALOV ENGAGED IN ASTROPHYSICAL, TECHNOLOGICAL AND TECHNICAL EXPERIMENTS, ROUTINE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE WORK ABOARD THE ORBITAL STATION AND MODULES, AND THE TRANSFER OF CARGOES FROM THE PROGRESS M-5 AUTOMATIC SUPPLY CARGO SPACECRAFT.

UNDER THE RESEARCH PLAN, THE COSMONAUTS CONTINUE EXPERIMENTS TO GAUGE SPATIAL-AND-ENERGY CHARACTERISTICS OF COSMIC-RAY RADIATION AND TO EVALUATE THE EFFECT OF OPEN SPACE FACTORS ON THE PROPERTIES OF VARIOUS STRUCTURAL MATERIALS MOUNTED ON THE OUTER SURFACE OF THE STATION.

A REGULAR CYCLE OF THE GROWING OF SEMICONDUCTOR MONOCRYSTAL OF ZINK OXIDE HAS BEEN COMPLETED ON THE GALLAR TECHNOLOGICAL INSTALLATION.

TODAY THE CREW ARE REPLACING THE EQUIPMENT OF THE HEATING LOOP OF THE STATION'S THERMAL REGULATION SYSTEM AND ARE TESTING THE ONBOARD TELEVISION EQUIPMENT VIA A RELAY SATELLITE.

ON MONDAY THE CREW CARRIED OUT AN ADJUSTMENT OF THE FLIGHT PATH OF THE ORBITAL RESEARCH COMPLEX MIR BY MEANS OF THE SOYUZ TM-10 TRANSPORT SPACECRAFT.

THE PARAMETERS OF THE SPACECRAFT'S ORBIT FOLLOWING THE ADJUSTMENT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- THE MAXIMUM DISTANCE FROM THE EARTH'S SURFACE -- 439 KILOMETRES,

- THE MINIMUM DISTANCE FROM THE EARTH'S SURFACE -- 379 KM,

- ORBITAL PERIOD -- 92.4 MINUTES,

- INCLINATION -- 51.6 DEGREES.

THE COSMONAUTS ARE FEELING WELL. WORK IN ORBIT IS GOING ON.

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#90275t2713 10/02/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (OCT. 2) TASS - HEALTH CARE SHOULD CENTRE AROUND A MODERN HOSPITAL WITH STATE-OF-THE ART MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, MOSCOW DOCTORS WRITE IN PRAVDA TODAY.

THE SOVIET UNION SHOULD ABANDON ITS PRACTICE OF SETTING NUMEROUS MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS DIVORCED FROM HOSPITALS AND STUFFED WITH OUTDATED EQUIPMENT AND INCOMPETENT DOCTORS, SCIENTISTS FROM MOSCOW'S HEART SURGERY INSTITUTE BELIEVE.

"OUT OF MORE THAN 45,000 CHILDREN BORN WITH HEART DEFECTS, 22-25,000 DIE IN THEIR FIRST YEAR" DUE TO LACK OF QUALIFIED HELP, ACADEMICIAN VLADIMIR BURAKOVSKY AND PROFESSOR VIKTOR CHEKANOV WRITE.

MEDICAL RESEARCH ALSO NEEDS SOME PERESTROIKA, THEY SAY. THE ACADEMY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES SHOULD BECOME THE CENTRE OF MEDICAL RESEARCH, INVOLVING ALL TALENTED SPECIALISTS FROM HOSPITALS.

HEALTH CARE SHOULD NOT BE FREE-OF-CHARGE AND ENTERPRISES WHERE PEOPLE WORK SHOULD PAY FOR ANY HELP RENDERED, THEY BELIEVE.

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#90275t2739 10/02/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (OCT. 2) TASS - PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV HAS SENT A MESSAGE OF GREETINGS TO RICHARD VON WEIZSAECKER AND HELMUT KOHL, IT WAS ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY.

THE MESSAGE READS:

"DEAR MR. FEDERAL PRESIDENT,

"DEAR MR. FEDERAL CHANCELLOR,

"PLEASE ACCEPT MY CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU AND ALL GERMAN PEOPLE. THE UNIFICATION OF GERMANY, WHICH TAKES PLACE IN FULL ACCORD WITH NEIGHBOURS AND OTHER STATES AND NATIONS, IS A GREAT EVENT NOT ONLY FOR GERMANS.

"IT OCCURS AT THE WATERSHED OF TWO EPOCHS. IT HAS BECOME A SYMBOL AND I HOPE IT WILL BE A FACTOR IN ESTABLISHING A UNIVERSAL ORDER OF PEACE.

"UNIFICATION COULD NOT HAVE TAKEN PLACE IF THERE HAD NOT BEEN PROFOUND INTERNAL DEMOCRATIC CHANGES IN OUR COUNTRIES, IF THE RIGHT CONCLUSIONS FROM THE TRAGEDY OF THE MOST HORRIBLE WAR HAD NOT BEEN REFLECTED IN REAL LIFE.

"ON THIS REMARKABLE DAY I WANT TO PAY TRIBUTE TO ALL THOSE IN MY COUNTRY AND IN YOUR COUNTRY WHO, OVERCOMING SORROWS, REMEMBERING LOSSES AND HONOURING THE

DEAD, DID NOT YIELD TO PREJUDICE AND FEARS, BUT PERSISTENTLY WORKED FOR THE FUTURE, MAKING THIS PEACEFUL AND WORTHY SOLUTION OF THE 'GERMAN ISSUE' POSSIBLE.

"WE EXPECT MUCH OF OUR NEW RELATIONS WITH GERMANY. HISTORY, THE DEEP ROOTS OF MUTUAL INFLUENCE AND GRAVITATION, THE POSITION OF OUR COUNTRIES IN EUROPE AND THE WORLD, AND THEIR COLOSSAL AND MUTUALLY SUPPLEMENTING POTENTIAL MAKE MANY-SIDED COOPERATION BETWEEN THEM POSSIBLE AND NATURAL.

"I HOPE THE TREATY ON GOOD-NEIGHBOURLY RELATIONS, PARTNERSHIP AND COOPERATION, WHICH WILL BE CONCLUDED SOON AND WHICH SHOULD LAY THE FOUNDATION FOR OUR RELATIONS, WILL HELP ACHIEVE THIS GOAL.

"I WISH THE GREAT GERMAN NATION HAPPINESS, PROSPERITY AND ETERNAL PEACE IN GOOD-NEIGHBOURLINESS AND FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN PEOPLES."

-30- 1947

#90275u0118 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 2) UPI - McDonald's of Moscow has nearly doubled its hamburger prices and is now charging more than half an average day's wages for a Big Mac the newspaper Izvestia reported.

The Moscow McDonald's business manager told Izvestia Monday that the price increase - from 3 rubles, 50 kopecks to 6 rubles, 95 kopecks - was necessary because of increases in the cost of meat and the flour for hamburger buns.

At the official exchange rate, the new price for a Big Mac is equivalent to about $11.95, but at the more realistic official ''tourist'' rate it is $1.15 and at black market exchange rates it would be about 25-50 cents.

But since average monthly wages in the Soviet Union are about 250 rubles, with the new prices a Muscovite could easily spend a day's pay for a hamburger, french fries and a milkshake.

Since the McDonalds on Moscow's Gorky Street opened early this year, it has served an estimated 9 million people who wait in hours-long lines in all kinds of weather for Western fast food.

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#90275u0134 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 2) UPI - The beginning of a possible deal to end the Persian Gulf crisis emerged in President Bush's speech to the United Nations General Assembly.

Taken together with speeches in the past week by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and French President Francois Mitterrand, Monday's proposal involves

an old diplomatic ploy: taking an intractable dispute and raising the possibility of a solution by linking it with a larger series of issues.

The diplomatic ''pathway'' - to use the latest State Department buzz word - emerged first on Aug. 12 in a speech by Saddam in which he said he would pull his forces out of Kuwait if Israeli occupation in the West Bank and Gaza and the Syrian occupation of the Bekaa Valley of Lebanon would end.

Within hours, the proposal was rejected by the White House and the State Department as something that was designed as a diversion and trick to cover a totally different kind of situation involving brutal, naked aggression.

But the spark of that idea emerged again last week on Sept. 24 when Mitterrand talked to the General Assembly and, among other things, suggested that Saddam could emerge from this crisis as a heroic, historic figure if the settlement of the gulf crisis could be used as a key to solve larger problems in the Middle East, including the Arab- Israeli dispute.

The State Department expressed its annoyance with Mitterrand with an expression of contempt. Five days after the Mitterrand speech, a senior administration official who is a key in Middle East policy, said he had been too busy attending other meetings to even read the French president's speech.

But Saddam was not apparently so busy, because on Sunday he made another one of his televised addresses, and suggested ''a debate'' or diplomatic contact with the French about the Mitterrand plan.

The next development came when Bush signalled a shift in U.S. policy and also appeared to accept the idea of linking the Gulf crisis with Mitterrand's suggestion of linking it to the Arab-Israeli dspite.

While insisting on Iraq's unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait, Bush suggested - for the first time for an American official - that the ''peoples of the region'' take this as an opportunity ''to settle the conflict that divides the Arabs from Israel.''

At a news conference, Bush denied any intent to signal ''flexibility or shift in position.'' But the mere mention of the Arab-Israeli conflict, which he earlier labeled ''separate and apart'' from the gulf crisis, underscored the search for a face-saving formula for Iraq to relinquish Kuwait.

It also followed signs last week, some from the administration, of diminishing hopes for a diplomatic solution, which sent a shock through the world oil market and rattled financial markets around the globe.

The next step will probably be the sound of a muffled diplomatic explosion coming from Israel, which has adamantly refused to link its continued occupation of the West Bank and Gaza with anything else. The Israeli's worst

nightmare is a scenario in which the Arab world finally unites against Israel. An even scarier possibility, for the Israelis, is that the Arabs would be backed and supported by the United States, joined by its new talking partner, the Soviet Union.

Many things tend to go wrong in Middle East diplomacy, and this is especially true when involved with an unpredictable element like Saddam.

But the shift of emphasis in the U.S. policy, which follows Saddam's offer to talk to the French, offers the embryonic shadow of a hope that the gulf crisis could end - to use Winston Churchill's phrase - with talk-talk, rather than war-war.

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#90275u0161 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 2) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

W L T Pct. PF PA Div. Streak Buffalo 3 1 0 .750 92 75 2-1 W-2 Miami 3 1 0 .750 88 57 2-0 W-1 New York Jets 2 2 0 .500 88 89 1-1 W-1 New England 1 3 0 .250 60 119 1-2 L-2 Indianapolis 1 3 0 .250 58 89 0-2 W-1

CENTRAL Cincinnati 3 1 0 .750 103 74 0-0 L-1 Houston 2 2 0 .500 77 84 0-1 W-2 Cleveland 1 3 0 .250 48 85 1-0 L-3 Pittsburgh 1 3 0 .250 32 70 1-1 L-2

WEST LA Raiders 4 0 0 1.000 75 35 2-0 W-4 Kansas City 3 1 0 .750 98 48 0-1 W-2 Denver 2 2 0 .500 95 97 2-1 L-1 San Diego 1 3 0 .250 61 69 0-0 L-1 Seattle 1 3 0 .250 75 84 0-2 W-1

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

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WEST San Francisco 3 0 0 1.000 58 38 2-0 W-3 Atlanta 1 2 0 .333 74 67 0-1 L-2 Los Angeles Rams 1 2 0 .333 80 77 0-0 L-1 New Orleans 1 2 0 .333 43 52 0-1 W-1

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#90275u0185 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 2) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
y-Boston	87	73	.544	-	50-30	37-43	6-4	W-1
Toronto	85	75	.531	2	44-37	41-38	3-7	L-1
Detroit	78	82	.488	9	39-42	39-40	5-5	W-2
Baltimore	75	84	.472	11 1/2	39-39	36-45	7-3	W-1
Cleveland	75	85	.469	12	40-40	35-45	5-5	W-1
Milwaukee	72	88	.450	15	37-41	35-47	3-7	L-2
New York	66	94	.413	21	36-42	30-52	6-4	L-1
West								
x-Oakland	102	58	.638	-	50-29	52-29	6-4	L-1
Chicago	93	67	.581	9	49-30	44-37	6-4	L-1
Texas	83	77	.519	19	47-35	36-42	3-7	W-1
California	79	81	.494	23	42-39	37-42	4-6	W-1
Seattle	76	84	.475	26	39-43	37-41	3-7	L-3
Kansas City	75	84	.472	26 1/2	45-36	30-48	6-4	W-3
Minnesota	73	87	.456	29	40-39	33-48	6-4	W-1

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#90275u0204 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 2) UPI - French officials say they're happy that Iraq is promising to release nine French hostages being held in Baghdad. The announcement Monday came one day after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein expressed interest in pursuing a French peace proposal. There was NO word on when the captives would be released. .

There was more talks of peace Monday concerning the Persian Gulf crisis as President Bush sought to calm fears of war among United Nations members. Bush stressed a peaceful outcome and even spoke of ''opportunities'' that Iraq could receive if it withdraws from Kuwait. But Bush insisted that aggression will NOT be rewarded.

Senior citizen groups Monday expressed outrage at proposed increases in the amount that Medicare patients will have to pay under a budget deficit reduction agreement between President Bush and Congress. Bush said it was

impossible to please everyone. But the groups say they'll get revenge on election day.

11 former skippers of the U-S-S Blueback submarine were on hand in San Diego Monday as the last American sub running on conventional power was put into mothballs. The de-commissioning of the Blueback completes the Navy's move into the nuclear age. A number of the Blueback's former crewmen hung their heads as ''Taps'' was played alongside the vessel.

-30- 1472

#90275u0205 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 2) UPI - Mexican authorities say police in the northwestern part of the country shot down a plane loaded with 14-hundred pounds of cocaine with a street value of more than 50-Million dollars. Officials say the plane, flown by Colombian drug traffickers, was headed for the United States. Three men were arrested.

Actor Corey Feldman pleaded innocent Monday to a heroin possession charge resulting from his latest drug-related arrest. The 19-year-old star the movies as ''Stand By Me'' and ''The Goonies'' is free on five- thousand dollars bail. He was ordered to return to a Los Angeles court for a preliminary hearing next month.

-30- 789

#90275u0221 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

MARCH AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (OCT. 2) UPI - Gen. Curtis LeMay, the blunt-spoken warhawk who helped smash Germany and Japan, then commanded America's airborne nuclear deterrent at the height of the Cold War, is dead at 83.

LeMay, a legendary soldier who ran for vice president with George Wallace in 1968, died Monday of heart failure at the 22nd Strategic Hospital near the retirement home for Air Force officers where he had spent his declining years.

Regarded as the father of the Strategic Air Command, the airborne arm of America's three-pronged nuclear deterrent, LeMay had lived for a number of years at Air Force Village West, a retirement community about 6 miles from the Southern California air base.

The cigar-chomping LeMay, a four-star general who ran SAC when its nuclear-armed bombers were aloft around the clock in the 1950s and 60s, was regarded as a super hawk and was proud of it.

After 35 years of distinguished military service that included bombing raids against Germany and Japan and Air Force command of the Berlin Airlift, LeMay signed on as the vice presidential running mate of George Wallace in their unsuccessful third party bid. Ironically, LeMay was in the position of taking

orders from a man - Wallace - who had served under him as a sergeant while LeMay commanded the 20th Air Force in World War II.

The gruff, stocky Lemay was a colonel in the 395th Bomber Division in England in the early days of the aerial war against Germany, when he acquired his reputation for cold courage and absolute dedication to military results.

LeMay decided that his B-17 Flying Fortresses could wreak more havoc on German cities if they flew straight through anti-aircraft fire rather than flying the zigzag pattern previously considered necessary to minimize losses.

Characteristically, LeMay - known to his troops as ''Old Iron Pants'' - piloted the lead bomber in the first test of his theory, which was generally adopted by Army Air Corps units in Europe.

LeMay was transferred to the Pacific Theater after the fighting ended in Europe and played a major role in the devastating B-29 raids against Japan, including the atomic bombing missions on Hiroshima and Nagasaki that ended the war.

After the war, he became U.S. Air Force commander in Europe and in that capacity was an architect of the 1948-49 Berlin Airlift.

Shortly thereafter, he became commander of SAC, which went from 600 bombers at 18 bases to 3,000 B-52s and smaller planes carrying hydrogen bombs from 50 bases worldwide. He became Air Force chief of staff in 1961, remaining in that job until he retired Feb. 1, 1965.

LeMay went to work for Networks Electronics Corp. of Chatsworth, Calif., as a highly paid consultant. He was fired as chairman of the board in 1968, and decided to run with Wallace on the American Independent Party ticket.

Uncomfortable in the role of politician, he would not or could not abandon his candid style of speaking his mind. He complained of a national ''phobia'' about nuclear bombs and said they were ''just another weapon in the arsenal.'' He was criticized for suggesting that if peace talks failed, North Vietnam be bombed ''back into the Stone Age.''

He said he could understand conditions under which the atomic bomb could be used in Vietnam.

''If you're in a poker game with a bunch of card sharps and you tell them you never bluff and you never draw to an inside straight, I guarantee you you're not going to do very well in that poker game,'' he said.

LeMay bridled at accusations he was what one political opponent called ''the big bomber general, with a thunderbolt in one hand and a nuclear warhead in the other.''

He called the accusation a scare tactic and said, ''The real war mongers are those who would needlessly prolong the Vietnam War.''

LeMay was born Nov. 15, 1906, in Columbus, Ohio. He received an engineering degree from Ohio State University and won his wings in 1932 when he signed up as a cadet in the Army Air Corps.

In later years, LeMay lived quietly in a retirement community in Newport Beach Calif., where he said he was ''as retired as I can be'' although he was still called upon for consulting jobs and traveled occasionally.

In his book, ''Mission With LeMay,'' he said he had ''blood on my hands ... not because I preferred to bathe in blood. It was because I was part of a primitive world where men still had to kill in order to avoid being killed, or in order to avoid having their loved nation stricken and emasculated.''

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(OCT. 2) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Phillips 2b	4	0	0	0	Kelly cf	4	0	1	0
Fryman ss	4	1	1	2	Sax 2b	2	0	0	0
Fielder 1b	4	0	0	0	Mattingly 1b	4	0	0	0
Ward lf	4	0	0	0	Balboni dh	3	0	0	0
Lemon rf	4	0	0	0	Walewander pr	0	0	0	0
Heath c	3	0	0	0	Barfield rf	3	0	0	0
Coles 3b	3	0	1	0	Meulens lf	3	0	1	0
Shelby cf	3	0	0	0	Velarde 3b	3	0	0	0
Rowland dh	3	1	1	0	Geren c	2	0	0	0
					Cerone c	2	0	1	0
					Espinoza ss	2	0	0	0
					Blowers 3b	1	0	0	0
Totals	32	2	3	2	Totals	29	0	3	0

Detroit	000	002	000-	2
New York	000	000	000-	0

E-Velarde. LOB-Detroit 3, New York 8. 2B-Cerone. HR-Fryman (9). SB-Sax (41). CS-Kelly.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Tanan (W 9-8)	7 1-3	3	0	0	3	8
Henneman	1-3	0	0	0	1	0

Gleaton (S 13)	1 1-3	0	0	0	2	1
New York						
Cary (L 6-12)	9	3	2	2	0	9

WP-Gleaton, Cary 2.

Umpires-Home, Kosc; 1b, Morrison; 2b, Roe; 3b, L Barnett.

T-2:41. A-12,125.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Calderon lf	5	1	2	0	Reed 2b	3	1	0	0
Johnson cf	4	1	3	1	Quintana 1b	4	0	1	1
Fisk c	3	0	1	0	Boggs 3b	3	0	1	0
Thomas 1b	4	0	0	0	Burks cf	4	1	2	0
Pasqua dh	3	0	1	1	Greenwell lf	3	1	1	0
McCray pr	0	1	0	0	Evans dh	4	0	3	1
Ventura 3b	4	0	1	1	Brunansky rf	4	1	0	1
Fletcher 2b	4	0	0	0	Pena c	3	0	0	0
Sosa rf	3	0	0	0	Rivera ss	3	0	1	1
Lyons ph	1	0	0	0					
Guillen ss	4	0	1	0	Totals	35	3	9	3
Totals	31	4	9	4					

Chicago	000	000	030-	3
Boston	001	200	01x-	4

DP-Chicago 2. LOB-Chicago 7, Boston 6. 2B-Johnson 2, Evans, Boggs, Greenwell, Rivera, Calderon. SB-Rivera (4), McCray (6).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Hibbard	3 2-3	7	3	2	0	0
Hillegas	3 1-3	0	0	0	1	1
Patterson	0	0	0	0	1	0
Jones (L 11-4)	1	2	1	1	1	0
Boston						
Kiecker	7	6	1	1	2	2
Andersen	2-3	3	2	2	0	2
Rerdn (W 5-3)	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	2

Kiecker pitched to one batter in the eighth. Patterson pitched to one batter in the eighth.

WP-Kiecker.

Umpires-Home, Denkinger; 1b, Shulock; 2b, Merrill; 3b, McClelland.

T-3:04. A-31,118.

TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Belcher cf	5	1	1	0	Hamilton lf	2	1	1	0
Franco 2b	3	1	2	2	McIntosh ph	1	0	0	0
Palmeiro 1b	4	0	2	0	Brock 1b	0	0	0	0
Sierra rf	4	0	0	1	Gantner 2b	4	0	0	1
Reimer dh	4	0	0	0	Yount cf	3	0	1	0
Incaviglia lf	3	0	0	0	Parker dh	4	0	0	0
Petralli c	3	0	0	0	Deer rf	4	1	1	0
Coolbagh 3b	3	0	0	0	Surhoff c	4	0	0	0
Buechele 3b	1	1	1	0	Canale 1b	2	0	0	0
Huson ss	4	1	2	1	Vaughn ph	0	0	0	0
					Felder rf	0	0	0	0
					Sveum 3b	3	0	0	0
					Spiers ss	3	0	1	0
Totals	34	4	8	4	Totals	30	2	4	1

Texas	101	000	011-	4
Milwaukee	100	000	100-	2

E-Coolbaugh, Franco, Felder, Surhoff. LOB-Texas 6, Milwaukee 4. 2B-Belcher, Deer, Buechele, Yount. SB-Franco (31), Huson (12). S-Hamilton.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Witt	6	2	1	0	1	6
Jeffcot (W 5-6)	2	1	1	0	1	2
Russell (S 10)	1	1	0	0	0	0
Milwaukee						
Rbnsn (L 12-5)	9	8	4	4	3	4

Umpires-Home, Johnson; 1b, Voltaggio; 2b, McKean; 3b, Kaiser.

T-2:31. A-7,484.

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Polonia lf	4	1	2	0	RHendrsn lf	4	0	1	0
Hill 2b	5	0	1	1	McGee cf	4	0	1	0
Winfield rf	4	0	1	0	Canseco rf	1	0	0	0
Parrish c	4	0	1	0	Baines dh	4	0	0	0

Venable cf	3	0	1	0	McGwire 1b	2	0	0	0
Downing dh	4	0	1	0	Blnknshp pr	0	0	0	0
Stevens 1b	4	0	0	0	Lansford 3b	4	0	1	0
Schofield ss	4	1	2	0	Steinbach c	2	0	0	0
Howell 3b	4	0	2	1	Weiss ss	2	0	0	0
					Randolph 2b	3	0	0	0
Totals	36	2	11	2	Totals	26	0	3	0

California	100	001	000-	2
Oakland	000	000	000-	0

DP-California 2, Oakland 2. LOB- California 9, Oakland 6. 2B-Winfield, Howell, Schofield. 3B-Polonia. SB- Schofield (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Grahe (W 3-4)	8 1-3	3	0	0	7	3
Harvey (S 25)	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Oakland						
Stewart (L 22-11)	9	11	2	2	2	4

Umpires-Home, Cousins; 1b, Reed; 2b, Cooney; 3b, Brinkman.

T-2:19. A-31,378.

TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson cf	5	2	1	0	Finley rf	3	0	0	0
Fernandz ss	4	0	0	0	BRipken 2b	3	1	1	1
Gruber 3b	2	1	1	1	Devereax cf	4	1	1	2
McGriff 1b	3	0	1	1	CRipken ss	4	0	1	0
GBell lf	3	0	1	1	Milligan dh	3	1	1	0
Olerud dh	3	0	0	0	Horn dh	1	1	1	1
Borders dh	1	0	0	0	McKnight 1b	4	1	1	0
Myers c	2	0	0	0	Melvin c	4	0	2	2
Williams ph	0	0	0	0	Wrthngtn 3b	3	0	2	0
Eppard ph	1	0	0	0	JBell pr	0	1	0	0
Lee 2b	1	0	0	0	Gonzales 3b	0	0	0	0
Sojo 2b	2	0	0	0	Gallagher lf	2	0	0	0
Mulliniks ph	1	0	0	0	Anderson lf	1	0	0	0
Felix rf	2	0	1	0					
Totals	30	3	5	3	Totals	32	6	10	6

Toronto	200	010	000-	3
Baltimore	010	003	11x-	6

DP-Toronto 1, Baltimore 1. LOB-Toronto 7, Baltimore 4. 2B-Melvin, CRipken, Gruber, Worthington. HR-Devereaux (12), Horn (14). SF-GBell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Wells (L 11-6)	6	7	4	4	1	6
Wills	1	2	1	1	1	1
Ward	1	1	1	1	0	2
Baltimore						
Mesa (W 3-2)	7 2-3	4	3	3	6	4
Hickey	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Olson (S 37)	1	1	0	0	0	2

WP-Wells 2.

Umpires-Home, Palermo; 1b, Reilly; 2b, Garcia; 3b, Hendry.

T-3:01. A-24,442.

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	4	1	1	1	Gladden lf	3	0	1	1
Cotto cf	5	0	2	0	Munoz rf	2	0	0	1
KGriffy Sr lf	5	1	2	0	Bush ph	1	0	0	0
Davis dh	3	2	2	1	Moses rf	0	0	0	0
Buhner rf	5	1	3	1	Puckett dh	4	0	2	1
Martinez 1b	3	0	1	0	Gaetti 3b	4	1	0	0
Leonard ph	1	0	1	2	Harper c	4	0	1	0
PO'Brien 1b	1	0	0	0	Mack cf	4	1	2	1
Bradley 3b	3	0	0	0	Larkin 1b	3	1	1	0
Valle c	4	0	1	0	Leius ss	3	2	2	2
Vizquel ss	5	0	0	0	Newman 2b	2	2	1	0
Totals	39	5	13	5	Totals	30	7	10	6

Seattle	000	010	310-	5
Minnesota	050	000	20x-	7

E-KGriffey Sr. DP-Seattle 2, Minnesota 1. LOB-Seattle 13, Minnesota 3. 2B-Larkin, Leius, Gladden, Martinez, Cotto, Valle, Buhner. HR-Reynolds (5), Davis (17). SB-Cotto (21), Buhner (2). S-Gladden. SF- Munoz.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Swan (L 2-3)	2	5	5	3	0	0
Gardiner	4	3	0	0	1	1

Burba	1-3	1	2	2	0	0
Jackson	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Swift	1	0	0	0	0	0

Minnesota

Tapani (W 12-8)	6	10	4	4	3	3
Wayne	0	1	0	0	1	0
Berenguer	2	2	1	1	0	1
Garces (S 2)	1	0	0	0	1	0

Tapani pitched to three batters in 7th. Wayne pitched to two batters in 7th.

WP-Jackson. PB-Harper. HBP-By Tapani (Davis); By Burba (Newman).

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, McCoy; 2b, Phillips; 3b, Clark.

T-2:34. A-9,202.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

NEW YORK

	ab	r	h	bi
Reed cf	3	0	0	0
Magadan 1b	5	0	2	1
Jefferies 3b	1	0	0	0
O'Malley 3b	4	0	1	0
Teufel 2b	4	0	0	0
Tabler 1b	4	1	2	0
Jelic lf	4	1	0	0
Hundley c	4	1	2	0
Baez ss	4	0	0	0
Cone p	4	1	2	2
Totals	37	4	9	3

PITTSBURGH

	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds cf	4	0	0	0
Kipper p	0	0	0	0
McClendon lf	0	0	0	0
Bell ss	2	0	0	0
Garcia ss	1	0	0	0
King 3b	3	0	1	0
Bonilla rf	4	0	1	0
Power p	0	0	0	0
Bream 1b	2	0	0	0
Carter lf	1	0	0	0
Martinez lf	4	0	0	0
Prince c	3	1	0	0
Lind 2b	0	0	0	0
Belliard 2b	4	0	1	0
Smith p	1	0	0	0
Merced ph	1	0	0	0
Heaton p	0	0	0	0
Ryal lf	1	0	0	0
Totals	31	1	3	0

New York	000	020	002-	4
Pittsburgh	000	000	100-	1

E-Bream, Reed, King. DP-Pittsburgh 1. LOB-New York 8, Pittsburgh 7. 2B-Magadan Hundley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Cone (W 14-10)	9	3	1	0	4	12
Pittsburgh						
Smith (L 12-9)	5	4	2	0	1	3
Heaton	2	1	0	0	0	3
Kipper	1	1	0	0	0	1
Power	1	3	2	2	1	0

WP-Cone 3. PB-Hundley.

Umpires-Home, Froemming; 1b, Pulli; 2b, Ripley; 3b, Tata.

T-2:40. A-50,393.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Dascenzo cf	3	3	3	0	Dykstra cf	3	2	3	1
Varsho ph	1	0	0	0	Daulton c	2	0	1	1
Sandberg 2b	2	1	1	2	Chamberln lf	4	2	1	0
Wilkerson 2b	1	1	0	0	Kruk rf	4	2	2	3
Grace 1b	3	0	1	3	Jordan 1b	4	0	2	1
Dawson rf	4	0	0	1	CHayes 3b	4	0	1	1
Nunez p	0	0	0	0	McElroy p	0	0	0	0
May lf	4	0	0	0	Boever p	0	0	0	0
Salazar 3b	4	0	2	0	McDowell p	0	0	0	0
Dunston pr	0	0	0	0	Thon ss	4	0	0	0
GSmith ss	4	0	0	0	Morandini 2b	4	1	1	0
Berryhill c	4	0	0	0	DeJesus p	1	0	0	0
Coffman p	2	0	0	0	Meadows ph	1	0	0	0
Kramer p	0	0	0	0	Akerfelds p	0	0	0	0
Ramos ph	0	1	0	0	Hollins 3b	1	0	0	0
DwSmith rf	0	0	0	0					
Totals	32	6	7	6	Totals	32	7	11	7

Chicago	102	000	030-	6
Philadelphia	310	030	00x-	7

DP-Chicago 1, Philadelphia 2. LOB-Chicago 4, Philadelphia 5. 2B-Kruk, Grace. 3B-Dascenzo, Dykstra, Kruk. HR- Sandberg (40). SB-Dunston (25). S-DeJesus. SF-Daulton.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Chicago						
Coffman (L 0-2)	4	7	6	6	2	0
Kramer	3	4	1	1	0	2
Nunez	1	0	0	0	0	0

Philadelphia						
DeJesus (W 7-8)	6	4	3	3	2	4
Akerfelds	1	0	0	0	0	0
McElroy	0	2	3	3	2	0
Boever	1 2-3	1	0	0	1	0
McDowell (S 22)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Coffman pitched to 2 batters in the 5th. McElroy pitched to 4 batters in the 8th.

WP-Coffman 3.

Umpires-Home, Hohn; 1b, Davis; 2b, Rapuano; 3b, Runge.

T-2:32. A-9,041.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Smith lf	4	0	1	0	Butler cf	2	1	1	1
Gant cf	4	2	3	0	Kingery lf	2	0	1	0
Justice rf	2	2	1	0	Bathe ph	1	0	0	0
Presley 3b	2	0	1	0	Dewey p	0	0	0	0
Treadway 2b	1	0	0	1	Clark 1b	3	0	0	1
Cabrera 1b	2	1	1	3	Williams 3b	4	0	0	0
Bell 1b	1	0	0	0	Bass rf	3	0	0	0
Blauser ss	4	0	2	1	Riles ss	3	1	1	1
Lemke 3b	4	0	0	0	Carter ph	1	0	1	0
Mann c	4	0	0	0	Uribe pr	0	0	0	0
Smoltz p	3	0	0	0	Decker c	4	0	0	0
Mercker p	0	0	0	0	Thompson 2b	3	0	0	0
					Wilson p	0	0	0	0
					Kennedy ph	1	0	0	0
					Oliveras p	0	0	0	0
					Laga ph	0	0	0	0
					Litton lf	1	1	1	0
Totals	31	5	9	5	Totals	28	3	5	3

Atlanta	000	301	010-	5
San Francisco	100	000	110-	3

DP-San Francisco 1. LOB-Atlanta 3, San Francisco 4. 2B-Blauser. 3B-Litton. HR-Cabrera (7), Riles (8). SB-Butler (49), Gant (32), Justice (11). S-Kingery.

SF- Clark, Treadway, Butler.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Smltz (W 14-11)	7	3	2	2	3	2
Mercker (S 7)	2	2	1	1	0	1
San Francisco						
Wilson (L 8-7)	5	5	3	3	1	3
Oliveras	3	4	2	2	2	1
Dewey	1	0	0	0	0	1

WP-Smoltz.

Umpires-Home, Quick; 1b, West; 2b, Montague; 3b, Hallion.

T-2:28. A- 7,183.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Roberts lf	3	0	0	0	Harris 3b	4	0	0	0
Cora 2b	4	0	0	0	Javier cf	4	0	0	0
Clark 1b	3	0	1	0	Gwynn lf	4	0	2	0
Alomar pr	0	0	0	0	Offerman pr	0	1	0	0
Stephensn 1b	0	0	0	0	Murray 1b	4	0	2	1
Carter cf	4	0	1	0	Brooks rf	3	0	1	0
Santiago c	4	0	0	0	Sharpersn ss	3	0	0	0
Pagliarul 3b	3	1	2	1	Samuel 2b	3	1	1	1
Jackson rf	3	0	0	0	Hernandez c	3	0	0	0
Templetn ss	3	0	1	0	Martinez p	3	0	1	0
Benes p	3	0	0	0					
Totals	30	1	5	1	Totals	31	2	7	2

None Out When The Winning Run Scored.

San Diego	000	010	000-1
Los Angeles	000	000	011-2

DP-Los Angeles 1. LOB-San Diego 4, Los Angeles 5. 2B-Pagliarulo. HR-Pagliarulo (6), Samuel (13).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Bens (L 10-11)	8	7	2	1	0	3
Los Angeles						
Mrtnz (W 20-6)	9	5	1	1	2	3

Benes Pitched To Two Batters In The Ninth.

Umpires-Home, Darling; 1b, Bonin; 2b, Demuth; 3b, Marsh.

T-2:12. A-23,730.

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Yelding cf	5	0	2	1	Hatcher cf	5	0	0	0
Candaele 2b	5	0	1	0	Duncan ss	4	2	3	1
Caminiti 3b	4	0	1	0	Braggs lf	3	0	1	0
Davis 1b	3	1	0	0	Quinones 3b	2	0	0	0
Stubbs lf	4	1	2	2	Lee 1b	2	0	0	1
Ramirez ss	4	1	2	0	Bates pr	0	0	0	0
Davidson rf	3	0	2	0	Myers p	0	0	0	0
Rhodes rf	1	0	0	0	O'Neill rf	3	1	1	0
Nichols c	1	0	0	0	Oliver c	3	0	0	0
Gedman c	1	0	0	0	Oester 2b	3	1	1	0
Deshaies p	3	0	0	0	Browning p	1	0	0	1
Simms ph	1	0	0	0	Brown p	0	0	0	0
Meyer p	0	0	0	0	Sabo ph	0	0	0	0
					Dibble p	0	0	0	0
					Layana p	0	0	0	0
					Benzinger 1b	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	3	10	3	Totals	26	4	6	3

One out when winning run scored

Houston	000	120	000-	3
Cincinnati	011	010	001-	4

E-Duncan, Deshaies, Ramirez. DP- Houston 1, Cincinnati 1. LOB-Houston 8, Cincinnati 8. 2B-Davidson. HR-Duncan (10), Stubbs (23). SB-Yelding (64), Bates (2). S-Browning, Benzinger. SF-Lee.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Deshaies	8	6	3	2	6	8
Meyer (L 0-4)	1-3	0	1	0	1	0
Cincinnati						
Browning	5	8	3	3	3	2
Brown	1	1	0	0	0	1
Dibble	1	1	0	0	0	0
Layana	1	0	0	0	0	2
Myers (W 4-6)	1	0	0	0	0	1

HBP-By Deshaies (Quinones).

Umpires-Home, Crawford; 1b, Rennert; 2b, Harvey; 3b, Gregg.

T-2:40. A-12,064.

ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Gilkey lf	5	1	1	1	Raines lf	3	1	1	5
Pena 2b	5	1	2	0	Martinez cf	4	1	2	1
Terry p	0	0	0	0	Burke p	1	0	0	0
Wilson ph	1	0	0	0	DeShields 2b	5	1	2	0
Thompson cf	5	2	3	3	Wallach 3b	5	3	3	0
Zeile 3b	4	1	2	0	Walker rf	4	1	2	1
Brewer 1b	5	1	3	0	Galarrag 1b	5	2	3	2
Hudler rf	4	1	1	0	Goff c	3	1	1	0
Jones ss	4	0	2	1	Rojas p	0	0	0	0
Stephens c	2	1	1	0	Nixon cf	1	1	1	2
Guerrero ph	0	0	0	1	Owen ss	5	2	1	0
Collins pr	0	0	0	0	Farmer p	1	0	0	0
Pagnozzi c	2	0	1	1	Aldrete ph	0	1	0	1
Smith p	2	1	1	2	Mohorcic p	0	0	0	0
Lankford ph	1	0	0	0	Santovenia c	3	1	1	1
Dayley p	1	0	0	0					
Perez p	0	0	0	0					
DiPino p	0	0	0	0					
Oquendo 2b	1	0	0	0					
Totals	42	9	17	9	Totals	40	15	17	13

St. Louis	004	001	400- 9
Montreal	000	070	71x-15

E-Zeile, Gilkey. DP-St. Louis 1, Montreal 1. LOB-St. Louis 11, Montreal 6. 2B-Stephens, Martinez, Galarraga, Pena, Wallach. HR-Smith (1), Gilkey (1), Thompson 2 (6), Raines (9). SF-Raines.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Smith	5	9	7	3	1	3
Dayley (L 4-4)	1	3	3	3	1	1
Perez	0	1	2	2	1	0
DiPino	1	2	2	2	0	2
Terry	1	2	1	1	1	0
Montreal						
Farmer	5	8	4	4	1	3
Mohorcic	0	2	1	1	0	0

Rojas	1	1-3	3	3	3	1	2
Burke (W 3-3)	2	2-3	4	1	1	2	2

Mohorcic pitched to three batters in the 6th. Dayley pitched to three batters in the 7th. Perez pitched to two batters in the 7th.

HBP-By Mohorcic (Hudler).

Umpires-Home, Davidson; 1b, C Williams; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, McSherry.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - NFL SCORING SUMMARY:

Cincinnati	0	6	3	7--16
Seattle	3	7	7	14--31

FIRST QUARTER
Sea-FG Johnson 51, 9:54

SECOND QUARTER
Cin-FG Breech 34, 1:30
Sea-Fenner 4 run (Johnson kick), 10:12
Cin-FG Breech 26, 14:58

THIRD QUARTER
Sea-Fenner 3 run (Johnson kick), 9:12
Cin-FG Breech 43, 12:01

FOURTH QUARTER
Sea-Kane 63 pass from Kreig (Johnson kick), 0:09
Cin-Price 66 punt return (Breech kick), 5:11
Sea-Fenner 2 pass from Krieg (Johnson kick), 11:10

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	Cin	Sea
First downs	16	20
Rushes-yard	21--69	31--151
Passing yards	161	201
Sacked-yards lost	3--24	2--16
3rd dwn eff.	1--10--.100	10--14--.714
4th dwn eff.	1--1--1.000	0--.000
Passes	16--31--1	17--24--1
Punts	4--47.5	2--44.5

Punt returns-yds	1--66	4--39
KO returns-yds	3--79	1--17
Fumbles-lost	4--1	2--1
Penalties-yards	8--55	6--60
Time of possssn	25:11	34:49

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-Cincinnati-Green 6-39, Brooks 9-22, Taylor 1-5, Esiason 4-3, Jennings 1-0. Seattle-Williams 12-73, Fenner 16-60, Krieg 3- 18.

PASSING-Cincinnati-Esiason 10-23-1-128, Wilhelm 6-8-0-57. Seattle-Krieg 17-24-1-217.

RECEIVING-Cincinnati-Smith 3-16, Brown 2-38, McGee 2-33, Holman 2-28, Jennings 2-22, Riggs 2-22, Brooks 2-19, Kattus 1-7. Seattle-Williams 5-25, Kane 3-78, Chadwick 3-70, Blades 3-26, McNeal 1-11, Heller 1-5, Fenner 1-2.

SACKS-Cincinnati-Francis 2-16. Seattle- Porter 2-17, Comeaux 1-7.

INTERCEPTIONS-Cincinnati-Fulcher 1-0. Seattle-Harper 1-22.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Iraq's promise to free nine French hostages increased hopes Saddam Hussein wants to pursue a French peace proposal, and President Bush offered the Iraqi leader political and economic incentives to withdraw his troops from Kuwait.

Bush told the U.N. General Assembly Monday that Baghdad could help bring an end to longstanding gulf disputes and even a resolution to the Arab-Israeli conflict if Saddam agrees to an unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait.

The mere mention of the Arab-Israeli conflict, which Bush earlier labeled as ''separate and apart'' from the gulf crisis, underscored the search for a face-saving diplomatic formula for Iraq to relinquish Kuwait.

Amid the peace overtures Monday, Israel announced it will distribute gas masks to its more than 4.7 million citizens but played down links to the Persian Gulf crisis. Israel has considered the move since Saddam threatened to destroy ''half of Israel'' with poison gas before his Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

An aide to Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said Monday that the phased distribution of gas masks, scheduled to begin next week with Arab and Jewish citizens in three towns, was strictly a ''precautionary measure.''

Israel also is purchasing gas masks for the estimated 1.7 million Palestinians

in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. Palestinians will have to buy the approximately $100 gas masks, while Israelis will receive them without charge because they are covered under national insurance payments.

The official Iraqi News Agency said Saddam ordered nine Frenchmen released and said they could depart Iraq with a delegation from the France-Iraq Friendship Association now in Baghdad. INA did not say when they would leave.

The Frenchmen are part of a larger group of Western nationals described by Iraq as ''guests'' and held as human shields against attack. The Iraqi government has detained Westerners near key military and other installations as a response to the U.S.-led military deployment in the gulf region.

The French government estimates some 350 French nationals are being detained against their will by Saddam, 85 of them in Kuwait. It believes 67 are being used to discourage a U.S. bombing attack.

A spokesman for President Francois Mitterrand confirmed the release would take place, but insisted there had been no negotiations between Paris and Baghdad.

''Nine persons are free, who would not be happy?'' spokesman Hubert Vedrine said. ''But that does not change anything. What is expected from Iraq is the liberation of all the hostages, French and foreigners, without exception.''

He said ''routine'' conversations between Iraqi and French diplomats involved only the issue of French hostages being held in Iraq and Kuwait.

Saddam issued a statement Sunday saying he was interested in discussing the French proposal, which calls for opening a dialogue in return for Iraq stating its ''intention'' to withdraw from Kuwait and free Western hostages.

On the ABC news program ''Nightline, correspondent Pierre Salinger said Monday night that sources close to Mitterrand indicated the proposal was spurred by his ''fundamental belief'' the gulf crisis will become a military operation.

Mitterrand believes ''it is important for a country like France to state the desire to negotiate in the Middle East and be in the position to become the mediator after that war is over,'' Salinger said, adding, ''I think that Mitterrand would like to be in that role after the military operaton.

The French proposal left open the possibility for free elections in Kuwait after the withdrawal - a marked difference from the Bush administration's insistence that Kuwaiti Emir Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah be returned to power and Iraq actually withdraw from Kuwait before discussions with Baghdad begin.

But Bush, in language that embraced elements of the French peace proposal, said in his speech before the United Nations Monday ''there may be opportunities'' for Saddam if he is willing to pull his troops out of Kuwait.

Among the political and economic prospects forwarded by Bush were a permanent settlement of oil-related territorial and financial claims Saddam used to justify his takeover of Kuwait and, ''for all the states and the peoples of the region to settle the conflict that divides the Arabs from Israel.''

He insisted, however, that the world remains united behind the U.S. position that ''the annexation of Kuwait will not be permitted to stand.''

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said he would not call Bush's address to the General Assembly ''conciliatory.''

Iraq's U.N. Ambassador, Abdul Amir Al-Anbari, said, ''We disagreed on everything he (Bush) said. ... We remain hopeful that the crisis will be solved in a peaceful means.''

In other developments related to the gulf crisis:

-Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said in an interview published by a French newspaper that if the U.N. embargo against Iraq fails, war ''will be inevitable.''

-The U.S. House went on record Monday in support of the administration's actions so far in the Persian Gulf. The House approved a resolution applauding the deployment of troops in the gulf region and urging Bush to ''continue to emphasize the use of diplomatic and non- military means'' to resolve the crisis.

-The U.S. military identified two U.S. airmen killed Sunday in the gulf region as Maj. Peter Samuel Hook, 36, of Bishop, Calif., and Capt. James Bernard Poulet, 34, whose hometown was not released. They were killed when an Air Force F-15E fighter crashed during a training mission.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

AUTO RACING

Williams Renault (Formula One) - Signed driver Nigel Mansell.

BASEBALL

Los Angeles - Acquired pitcher Mike Wilkins from Detroit for pitcher Mike Munoz.

BASKETBALL

Boston - Released guard Dennis Johnson.

New York - Signed foward Brian Quinnett to a multi-year contract; signed forward Earl Cureton and guards Greg Grant, Tharon Mayes and John Starks.

Orlando - Signed free-agent center Wallace Bryant and forward Eugene McDowell.

USA Basketball - Named Vivian Stringer Pan American Games women's coach, Tara VanDerveer World University Games women's coach and Joan Bonvicini women's junior national team coach.

FOOTBALL

LA Rams - Activated cornerback Jerry Gray off injured reserve; waived running back Jim Price; signed running back Fred Whittingham to a players' practice contract.

Cleveland - Waived safety Keith Bostic.

Denver - Signed quarterback Pat Haggerty and running back Blake Ezor to practice players' contracts.

NY Giants - Placed wide receiver Odessa Turner on injured reserve; signed wide receiver Stacy Robinson.

Philadelphia - Signed quarterback Ben Brown, tight end Maurice Johnson and defensive tackle Carl Dawson to practice squad.

Pittsburgh - Signed linebacker Eddie Miles, wide receivers Lorenzo Davis and Ron Fair and defensive back Anthony Florence to practice contracts.

San Diego - Released kicker Fuad Reveiz.

Tampa Bay - Signed defensive lineman Willie Wyatt, running back Derrick Douglas, wide receiver Chris Ford, tight end Ed Thomas and defensive back John Mangum to practice contracts.

HOCKEY

Buffalo - Traded left wing Mike Donnelly to Los Angeles for left wing Mikko Makela.

Detroit - Assigned John Chabot, Robert Picard, Doug Houda, Chris McRae, Yves Racine and Stewart Malgunas to Adirondack (AHL); acquired rights to forward Bengt Gustafsson from Washington in the NHL waiver draft.

Global Hockey League - Named William Putman commissioner.

Los Angeles - Acquired rights to defenseman Rod Buskas from Pittsburgh in the NHL waiver draft.

NY Rangers - Assigned center Brian McReynolds to Binghamton of American Hockey League; returned left wing Louie DeBrusk to London of Ontario Hockey League.

Quebec - Acquired rights to left winger Wayne Van Dorp from Chicago, defenseman Shawn Anderson from Washington and center Aaron Broten from Minnesota in the NHL waiver draft.

St. Louis - Acquired rights to defenseman Mario Marois from Quebec and center Bob Bassen from Chicago in the NHL waiver draft.

Vancouver - Acquired rights to defenseman Randy Gregg from Edmonton in the NHL waiver draft.

Washington - Traded defenseman Bill Houlder to Buffalo for defenseman Shawn Anderson; acquired forward Dave Tippett from Hartford for future considerations; agreed to terms with goalie Don Beaupre.

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BEIRUT, Lebanon (OCT. 2) UPI - The Israeli-backed South Lebanon Army freed 40 Moslem prisoners in a move believed to be related to the plight of 13 Western hostages held in Lebanon, security sources reported.

The sources said Monday that most of the released detainees from the Khiam prison near the Christian town of Marjeyoun, 37 miles south of Beirut, were residents of the Israeli-designated ''security zone'' in south Lebanon.

The freed prisoners, mostly Shiite Moslems, were among 300 Arab detainees held on terrorist charges or involvement in hit-and-run attacks against Israeli or South Lebanon Army targets.

Gen. Antoine Lahd, the commander of the estimated 2,500-strong South Lebanon Army, which patrols the frontier zone along with Israeli military personnel, confirmed the release.

In the United States, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater welcomed the release as ''consistent with our position that, for humanitarian reasons, all persons being detained without legal basis in the Middle East should be released immediately.''

Fitzwater used the occasion to reiterate the call for the ''immediate and unconditional release'' of American hostages in Lebanon.

The initiative was a response to demands by Moslem and Christian clerics in south Lebanon who had requested a positive gesture on the occasion of the Prophet Mohammed's brithday, Lahd said in a broadcast interview.

''Israel shares (with) me my hopes to find a solution to the problem of all hostages and detainees held in Lebanon,'' Lahd said.

There are 13 Western hostages being held captive in Lebanon. The Christian militia commander also alluded to three Israeli prisoners held by Moslem militiamen in Lebanon and an unspecified number of local detainees held by various Lebanese militias.

The kidnappers of the foreigner captives, including six U.S. nationals and four Britons, have repeatedly mentioned the release of the Khiam prisoners as a principal condition to free their captives.

Most of the foreign hostages are believed held by Hezbollah, a Shiite fundamentalist militia founded by Iran in 1982.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Boston clinched a share of the AL East title and left pitcher Tom Bolton in charge of guiding the Red Sox to its playoff destiny.

The Red Sox, seeking its third division title in five years, came closer to making it a reality Monday night with a 4-3 victory over the Chicago White Sox.

The win put second-place Toronto, which lost 6-3 to Baltimore, at a disadvantage. If Toronto fails to wins its final two games or if Boston wins either of its remaing pair, the Red Sox would capture the AL East.

If Toronto and Boston are tied at the end of the regular season, they will meet Thursday at Toronto for a one-game playoff. The winner would host the Oakland A's in Saturday's opener of the league championship series.

Boston's win also left Bolton, the next scheduled starter, in a situation most pitcher's would envy.

''It's my last start of the season and I want to get the big one,'' said Bolton, 10-5. ''I would like to finish it off. I feel I'm the luckiest guy in the clubhouse to get the chance to do this.''

Chicago starter Greg Hibbard said that Boston will have to work hard against his team to earn the division title. ''In the next two games, we're going to make them go out and play. It's not going to be easy for them,'' Hibbard said. ''You go out there and try to give them a run for their money - give them a good game and make them earn it.''

Boston would rather do just that than back into the divison title. In 1988, Boston learned it had won the title while waiting at a Cleveland hotel.

''We don't want to back in, like we did in '88, we want to win this one ourselves,'' Dwight Evans said.

Mike Greenwell agreed. ''We want to win by winning,'' he said.

''If we win, we have the luxury of going out and saying, 'We corraled our own destiny,''' Wade Boggs said.

Dwight Evans singled in the go-ahead run in the eighth inning and Jeff Reardon 5-3, hurled 1 1-3 innings of relief for the win.

Reardon wasn't oblivious to the noise the Fenway Park fans made when they saw the final score in Baltimore.

''I knew what it was but I looked up on the scoreboard to make sure it was over,'' Reardon said.

In other American League action, Detroit blanked New York 2-0, Baltimore downed Toronto 6-3, Minnesota dropped Seattle 7-5, Texas beat Milwaukee 4-2 and California caged Oakland 2-0.

In the National League it was: New York 4, Pittsburgh 1; Philadelphia 7, Chicago 6; Cincinnati 4, Houston 3; Montreal 15, St. Louis 9; Atlanta 5, San Francisco 3; and Los Angeles 2, San Diego 1.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Tigers 2, Yankees 0

At New York, Frank Tanana allowed three hits through 7 1-3 innings and Travis Fryman hit a two-run home run to pace Detroit. Tanana, raised his record to 9-8. Jerry Don Gleaton notched four outs to earn his 13th save. Chuck Cary, fell to 6-12.

Orioles 6, Blue Jays 3

At Baltimore, Mike Devereaux socked a two-run home run and Bob Melvin added an RBI single in the sixth, rallying the Orioles. The loss dimmed the Blue Jays hopes of defending their American League East Division crown. Devereaux's homer, his 12th of the year, came off David Wells, 11-6. Jose Mesa, 3-2, got the win. Gregg Olson recorded three outs for his 37th save.

Twins 7, Mariners 5

At Minneapolis, Scott Leius drove in two runs and scored twice to lead the Twins. Kevin Tapani, 12-8, got the win. Richard Garces got the last three outs for his second save. Russ Swan, 2-3, took the loss.

Rangers 4, Brewers 2

At Milwaukee, Bobby Witt, Mike Jeffcoat and Jeff Russell combined on a four-hitter and Julio Franco drove in two runs to pace Texas. Jeffcoat, 5-6, allowed one unearned run on a hit in two innings of relief. Russell pitched the ninth for his 10th save. Robinson, 12-5, was tagged with the loss.

Angels 2, Athletics 0

At Oakland, Calif., rookie Joel Grahe pitched a three-hitter to pace California. Grahe improved to 3-4. Brian Harvey got the final two outs for his 25th save. Dave Stewart, 22-11, pitched his league-leading 11th complete game and took the loss.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - India's Supreme Court has ordered the government to halt its plan to reserve some government jobs for lower social classes. It will consider the constitutionality of the plan October 25th. The plan has brought violence and suicides in protest. 75 people have been killed since it was announced in August.

Lebanese security sources say the release of 40 Moslem prisoners may affect the fate of 13 western hostages held in Lebanon. The 40 were freed by the South Lebanon Army, backed by Israel. The kidnappers of the westerners have repeatedly demanded the release of the Moslem prisoners.

Emergency flights began in western Sudan yesterday to get food to an estimated 50-thousand refugees. They are victims of Sudan's seven-year civil war. A spokesman for a church relief organization says famine threatens all 23-Million people in Sudan. The Sudanese economy has been nearly destroyed.

A search has ended off the Oregon coast for a missing Navy helicopter. The three crewmen are presumed dead. U-S and Canadian naval ships and the Coast Guard found debris, but NO sign of the missing men. The helicopter was making an emergency approach to a guided missile frigate when it went down Sunday.

The Supreme Court has refused to hear the appeal of Joseph Giarratano, a convicted Virginia killer fighting to win a new trial. The high court gave NO reason for its decision. Amnesty International and conservative columnist James Kilpatrick are among those who have supported the death row inmate's efforts to win a new trial.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Monday night, the sturdy right arm of Ramon Martinez made room in a post-game ice bucket for a bottle of champagne.

Martinez became the youngest Dodger in 43 years to win 20 games when Eddie Murray singled home Jose Offerman from second base with none out in the ninth to give Los Angeles a 2-1 triumph over the San Diego Padres.

''I have it, I feel so excited,'' the Dominican right-hander said after allowing only five hits in his big-league best 12th complete game of the season. ''I never felt anything like I feel today.''

After Juan Samuel tied it 1-1 with an eighth-inning homer, Chris Gwynn led off the ninth with a single off Andy Benes, 10-11, and continued to second on center fielder Joe Carter's error. Offerman ran for Gwynn, and Murray grounded a 1-1 pitch into right field for the game-winner.

''(Martinez) was giving it his best and that's what we were doing, too,'' Murray said after driving in his 94th run of the season. ''It's nice it worked out.''

Martinez, 22, became the youngest Dodger to win 20 games since 21- year-old Ralph Branca accomplished the feat in 1947. He also became the first in franchise annals to reach the plateau in his second season since Jeff Pfeffer in 1916.

''A guy like that comes around only once in 10 or 15 years,'' Carter said. ''He's going to be around a long time.

''He had our number. He had the Natonal League West's number all year long. He's lost a little pop, but for him losing a little pop is as hard as somebody else's best stuff in July.''

Martinez, who entered second in the National League with 220 strikeouts, fanned just three but improved his record against NL West teams to 13-0 this season.

A solid contender for the Cy Young Award, Martinez finished the year with a 2.92 ERA. He said he doesn't usually sip champagne, but would make an exception.

''Today, I'm gonna drink,'' he said.

The Dodgers, limited to three singles, tied it 1-1 in the eighth when Samuel, another Dominican, ripped a 2-0 pitch over the left center-field wall for his 13th homer of the season. Benes had retired 10 straight batters before the

blast.

''I know this game was on TV down there (in the Dominican),'' Samuel said. ''A lot of people were watching. I'm glad (Martinez) got it done.''

Benes, who had an upset stomach and got sick throughout the game, permitted just seven hits and no walks. He is winless in eight starts since Aug. 24.

Mike Pagliarulo had opened the fifth with only his sixth homer of the season to open the scoring.

The Dodgers snapped a four-game losing streak and moved into sole possession of second place in the West, one game ahead of San Francisco.

In other National League action, New York downed Pittsburgh 4-1, Philadelphia edged Chicago 7-6, Cincinnati shaded Houston 4-3, Montreal pounded St. Louis 15-9, and Atlanta dropped San Francisco 5-3.

In the American League it was: Detroit 2, New York 0; Boston 4, Chicago 3; Baltimore 6, Toronto 3; Minnesota 7, Seattle 5; Texas 4, Milwaukee 2; and California 2, Oakland 0.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Mets 4, Pirates 1

At Pittsburgh, David Cone scattered three hits in pitching his sixth complete game and also drove in two runs to help New York. Cone, 14-10, struck out 12 to push his league-leading total to 233 and walked four in lifting his record to 3-0 against the Pirates this season. Zane Smith, 12-9, lost for only the second time in 10 starts for the Pirates.

Phillies 7, Cubs 6

At Philadelphia, John Kruk knocked in three runs and the Philadelphia Phillies clinched at least a tie for fourth place in the NL East. Chicago's Ryne Sandberg hit his 40th home run of the season, joining Hank Aaron and Jose Canseco as the only players to have at least 40 home runs and 25 stolen bases in the same season.

Reds 4, Astros 3

At Cincinnati, Ron Oester scored the winning run on a wild throw by shortstop Rafael Ramirez with one out in the ninth inning to lift Cincinnati. Randy Myers, 4-6, pitched the ninth for the win. Brian Meyer, 0-4, took the loss. The victory ended a three-game Reds losing streak.

Expos 15, Cardinals 9

At Montreal, Tim Raines knocked in four of his career-high five runs with a grand slam to guide Montreal. Tim Burke, 3-3, picked up the victory in relief. Mike Perez, 1-1, was the loser.

Braves 5, Giants 3

At San Francisco, Francisco Cabrera belted a three-run homer and John Smoltz limited San Francisco to three hits leading Atlanta. Smoltz, 14- 11, recorded his first victory in five decisions against the Giants this season. Trevor Wilson, 8-7, lost his first start after making six relief appearances.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS:

Batting

American League

	ab	r	h	pct.
Brett, KC	543	82	178	.328
RHenderson, Oak	482	116	157	.326
Palmeiro, Tex	589	72	189	.321
Trammell, Det	555	70	169	.305
Boggs, Bos	611	88	186	.304
EMartinez, Sea	487	71	147	.302
McGriff, Tor	548	89	165	.301
Griffey Jr., Sea	597	91	179	.300
Franco, Tex	577	96	172	.298
Greenwell, Bos	602	70	179	.297

National League

	ab	r	h	pct.
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Magadan, NY	445	74	147	.330
Dykstra, Phi	586	106	191	.326
Murray, LA	550	95	179	.325
Grace, Chi	582	72	181	.311
Roberts, SD	555	104	172	.310
Butler, SF	614	106	190	.309
Gwynn, SD	573	79	177	.309
Dawson, Chi	528	71	163	.309
Sandberg, Chi	615	116	188	.306

Home Runs

American League - Fielder, Det 49; McGwire, Oak 39; Canseco, Oak 37; McGriff,

Tor 34; Gruber, Tor 31.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 40; Strawberry, NY 37; Mitchell, SF 35; Bonds, Pit and M.Williams, SF 33; Bonilla, Pit 32.

Runs Batted In

American League - Fielder, Det 127; Gruber, Tor 118; McGwire, Oak 108; Canseco Oak 99; Sierra, Tex 96; Maldonaldo, Cle 94.

National League - Williams, SF 121; Bonilla, Pit 118; Carter, SD 115; Bonds, Pit 114; Strawberry, NY 108.

Doubles

American League - Jo.Reed, Bos and Brett, KC 45; Boggs, Bos and Calderon, Chi 44; Harper, Min 42.

National League - Jefferies, NY 40; Sabo, Cin, Bonilla, Pit 38; Johnson, NYand Wallach, Mtl 37; Roberts, SD 36.

Triples

American League - Fernandez, Tor 17; Sosa, Chi 10; Johnson, Chi, Polonia, Cal and Liriano, Min 9; Burks, Bos, Pettis, Tex 8.

National League - Duncan, Cin 11; Gwynn, SD 10; Coleman, StL and Butler, SF 9; Kruk, Phi, L.Smith, Atl and Dunston, Chi 8.

Stolen Bases

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 63; Kelly, NY 42; Sax, NY 41; Pettis, Tex 38; Cole, Cle 37.

National League - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 64; Bonds, Pit 52; Nixon, Mtl and Butler, SF 49; Roberts, SD and Raines, Mtl 46.

Runs Scored

American League - R.Henderson, Oak 116; Fielder, Det 101; Reynolds, Sea 99; Yount, Mil 98; Franco, Tex 96; Phillips, Det 94.

National League - Sandberg, Chi 116; Bonilla, Pit 110; Dykstra, Phi and Butler SF 106; Gant, Atl 105; Bonds, Pit and Roberts, SD 104.

Hits

American League - Palmeiro, Tex 189; Boggs, Bos 186; Kelly, NY 181; Griffey

Jr., Sea and Greenwell, Bos 179; Brett, KC 178; Parker, Mil 176.

National League - Dykstra, Phi 191; Butler, SF 190; Sandberg, Chi 188; Wallach Mtl 185; Larkin, Cin 184; Grace, Chi 181.

Victories

American League - Welch, Oak 26; Stewart, Oak 22; Clemens, Bos 21; Finley, Cal and Stieb, Tor 18.

National League - Drabek, Pit 22; Martinez, LA 20; Viola and Gooden, NY 19; Browning, Cin 15; Six pitchers tied with 14.

Earned Run Average

(Minimum 160 innings pitched)

American League - Clemens, Bos 1.93; Finley, Cal 2.40; Stewart, Oak 2.56; Appier, KC 2.76; Stieb, Tor 2.95.

National League - Darwin, Hou 2.21; Smith, Pit 2.55; Whitson, SD 2.60; Viola, NY 2.63; Rijo, Cin 2.70.

Strikeouts

American League - Ryan, Tex 232; Witt, Tex 221; Clemens, Bos 209; Hanson, Sea 204; Langston, Cal 195.

National League - Cone, NY 233; Martinez, LA 223; Gooden, NY 218; Fernandez, NY 181; Viola, NY 177.

Saves

American League - Thigpen, Chi 57; Eckersley, Oak 47; Jones, Cle 42; Olson, Bal 37; Righetti, NY 35.

National League - Franco, NY 33; Myers, Cin 30; L.Smith, StL 27; Smith, Hou and Lefferts, SD 23.

Complete Games

American League - Stewart, Oak 11; Morris, Det 10; Finley, Cal, Witt, Tex, Young, Sea, Robinson, Mil and Clemens, Bos 7.

National League - Martinez, LA 12; Hurst, SD and Drabek, Pit 9; Maddux, Chi, 8; De.Martinez, Mtl, Rijo, Cin and Viola, NY 7.

Shutouts

American League - Stewart, Oak and Clemens, Bos 4; Appier, KC, Perez, Chi and Morris, Det 3.

National League - Morgan, LA and Hurst, SD 4; Drabek, Pit, Gardner and Boyd, Mtl, Martinez, LA, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 2) UPI - A female reporter covering the Cincinnati Bengals-Seattle Seahawks game Monday night said she was barred from entering the Bengals locker room to interview players after the game.

Denise Tom, a sports writer with USA Today for five years who has covered the San Francisco 49ers since 1986 and reported on five Super Bowls, said Cincinnati Coach Sam Wyche refused to allow her to enter the locker room after the Bengals' 31-16 loss to the Seahawks.

Two weeks ago, a female reporter was sexually and verbally harassed by five players in the New England Patriots locker room.

It is NFL policy that women reporters be allowed into locker rooms. USA Today sports editor Gene Policinski plans to file a protest with the league, Tom said.

''They didn't give me a reason at the time, but I understand Wyche said afterwards it was his decision,'' Tom said. ''He did not want a female reporter in his locker room because it would not be fair to his players or their wives.''

Wyche, reached at his hotel room, refused to answer questions.

On Sept. 17, Boston Herald reporter Lisa Olson was in New England's locker room when several naked Patriots players approached her and made lewd suggestions. Olson says receiver Zeke Mowatt, while ''egged on'' by several other players, suggested she perform oral sex on him in the locker room.

A team official told Tom he would bring out any player she needed to talk to, she said, but because she was on deadline she only had time to talk to Bengals quarterback Boomer Esaison.

''If I had been allowed to go into the locker room, as was my right, I could have done my job,'' Tom said. ''My credentials were in plain sight.''

Tom said she encountered no resistance at the Seahawks locker room, although one player yelled '''Hey, there's a woman in here,''' she said.

''It's something that's always gone on and usually something I ignore,'' she said. ''It wasn't a lewd comment, it was just a remark.''

She said she has had no problems with the 49ers, who wear bathrobes or wrap towels around themselves.

''It's such a simple solution,'' she said.

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BEIRUT, Lebanon (OCT. 2) UPI - The Christian region controlled by maverick Gen. Michel Aoun observed a general strike Tuesday to mourn the 25 people killed while protesting a five-day government siege of their enclave, witnesses said.

Shops, schools and businesses were closed throughout the 100-square- mile territory as church bells tolled and the Lebanese Radio station, operated by Aoun followers, broadcast somber classical music, the witnesses said.

Late Monday, 25 people were killed and 82 others were wounded when gunmen opened fire on thousands of demonstrators who marched to the demarcation lines around Aoun's region in protest of a blockade imposed by the government of President Elias Hrawi.

Hrawi's troops last Friday began to block all passageways around Aoun's enclave, barring the entry of all food, gasoline and other essential materials.

The move was aimed at forcing Aoun to end his two-year mutiny and turn over control of the presidential palace.

Aoun accused Hrawi's government and the Christian Lebanese Forces militia of Samir Geagea, which backs Hrawi, of being responsible for ''such a terrible crime.''

The Lebanese Forces militia said the violence was prompted by provocative shots by Aoun's troops, while Hrawi's army, under the command of Gen. Emile Lahoud, denied any involvement in the incident.

A collective burial of the victims was planned for Wednesday, sources in east Beirut said.

Another person was killed early Tuesday by sniper fire while crossing the Dog River passegeway in Christian east Beirut.

The Lebanese Forces-run Voice of Lebanon radio station said the victim, an employee of Middle East Airlines, was shot by Aoun's troops at the crossing while heading to work in the Moslem part of the capital.

Aoun, a former army commander, has defied Hrawi and refused to relinquish powers. He has remained in control of some 15,000 troops stationed in east Beirut.

Hrawi, with 20,000 loyalist regular troops, was elected president as a result of a peace agreement that was worked out last October by the Lebanese parliament in Taif, Saudi Arabia.

The Taif accord gave Moslems a larger share of power in a bid to end 15 years of bloody Christian-Moslem violence, but Aoun has rebuffed it as failing to ensure a speedy and complete withdrawal of Syria's 35,000 troops from the country.

Aoun's troops have been engaged in a military campaign against Geagea's militiamen since last January.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Flood watches were posted throughout the Southwest as showers continued Tuesday after days of heavy rains while another storm doused the Northwest and cool weather hit the northern half of the nation.

Tropical storm Rachel, located in the Pacific Ocean southwest of the southern tip of the Baja Peninsula, pumped moisture into New Mexico, western Texas and Arizona causing scattered showers on already saturated ground.

A flash flood watch was posted for the entire day Tuesday in several counties in southeast New Mexico but no flooding had been reported in the area that received up to 2 inches of rain over the past two days.

Light rain covered southwest Texas west of a Lubbock-Sanderson line and the showers were moving eastward.

Cold, stormy weather continued in the Cascades mountains of Washington state, where rain and snow showers combined with temperatures in the 40s to allow snow accumulations of 6 inches near the 5,000-foot level.

Along the Northwest coast, clouds, showers and isolated thunderstorms continued as a cold front moved across the region bringing winds that reached 15 mph and temperatures around 50.

Cool temperatures and clear skies covered much of the Northeast and New England while skies over Pittsburgh were cloudy and the thermometer dipped into the upper 40s.

The South was clear and dry but summer refused to loosen its grip on the

region Monday as temperatures soared to 93 degrees in McComb and Meridian, Miss., and 92 in Dothan, Ala.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait:

UNITED NATIONS - President Bush held out the prospect of a peaceful outcome to the Persian Gulf crisis in a subtle offer of political and economic incentives for Saddam Hussein to get out of Kuwait. In a speech to the U.N. General Assembly Monday, Bush said the world is united behind the U.S. position that ''the annexation of Kuwait will not be permitted to stand.'' But in language that embraced elements of a French overture to Saddam last week, Bush said ''there may be opportunities'' for Iraq in leaving Kuwait, including a permanent resolution of their longtime disputes over territory, money and oil, as well as settlement of ''the conflict that divides the Arabs from Israel.''

CAIRO, Egypt - Japanese Premier Toshiki Kaifu traveled to Cairo Tuesday on the first leg of a seven-day Middle East tour expected to focus on Japanese aid to states suffering economic hardship because of the Persian Gulf crisis.Kaifu's tour is the first to the region in 12 years by a Japanese prime minister in office and was also expected to take him to Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Oman and Turkey.

JERUSALEM - The Israeli military said it will distribute gas masks to the nation's more than 4.7 million citizens. Iit also is buying gas masks for the estimated 1.7 million Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Prices for crude oil plunged by more than $2 a barrel and for gasoline by nearly 5 cents a gallon after Iraq indicated over the weekend it would like to explore a resolution of the Persian Gulf crisis. As a result, stock prices closed sharply higher Monday on the New York Stock Exchange.

WASHINGTON - The House Monday approved a resolution applauding the deployment of troops in the gulf region and urging President Bush to ''continue to emphasize the use of diplomatic and non-military means'' to resolve the crisis.

WASHINGTON - ABC News, quoting sources close to French President Francois Mitterand, said his peace plan was spurred by his ''fundamental belief'' the gulf crisis will become a military operation. Mitterand believes it is important for France to be in a position to become the mediator after the war is over, the network reported on its ''Nightline'' program.

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA - Elements of the 101st Airborne Division honed urban warfare skills in the rubble of an abandonded oasis village, skills that could

be used to liberate Kuwait City or defend Saudi Arabian towns. With hand signals, shouts and even grunts, riflemen worked their way through rooms, diving through windows and bursting through doors. To the east, elements of the 101st's artillery units went through their own set of drills Monday, in case they were called upon to back Saudi and Gulf Cooperation Council forces deployed ahead of them.

CAIRO, Egypt - The official Iraqi News Agency reported President Saddam Hussein ordered nine Frenchmen released and said they could leave Iraq with a delegation from the France-Iraq Friendship Association now in Baghdad. INA did not say when the released Frenchmen would leave Baghdad.

WASHINGTON - The Pentagon identified two U.S. airmen killed Sunday in the gulf region as Maj. Peter Samuel Hook, 36, of Bishop, Calif., and Capt. James Bernard Poulet, 34, whose hometown was not released. They were killed when an Air Force F-15E fighter crashed during a training mission.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Chinese officials and Western diplomats say hijackers took over a jetliner during a domestic flight over southern China today and exploded a bomb as it landed... possibly killing more than 100 people. Chinese news reports, officials and diplomats say the state-owned Boeing 737 had just landed at the main airport in Canton when it was engulfed in a fireball. It hit two other planes... one empty and one loaded with passengers.

The Senate today will take up a resolution to support the actions of President Bush in the Middle East. The House yesterday voted overwhelmingly in favor of the deployment of troops in the Persian Gulf region while urging the administration to use ''diplomatic and NON- military means'' to end the crisis. But Senator Edward Kennedy is urging his colleagues to reject the resolution... saying it could give President Bush the power to launch war.

The state of Alaska this month will start mailing checks for almost 953 dollars to every man, woman, and child who lives in the state. The annual giveaway comes from taxes and royalties from oil companies which lease state lands. A family of four will make 38-hundred dollars on the deal. Alaska also has NO state income tax... but the cost of living in the 49th state is much higher than in most areas of the country.

A female reporter covering the Cincinnati Bengals-Seattle Seahawks game last night says she was barred from the Bengals' locker room. U-S-A Today reporter Denise Tom... who has covered pro football since 1986... says Cincinnati Coach Sam Wyche refused to let her do her job... despite N-F-L policy allowing women reporters in locker rooms. Two weeks ago... a female reporter was sexually harassed in the New England Patriots' locker room.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Federal investigators reportedly are looking for links between two assassination attempts against officials of a Chicago Teamsters Union local. A newspaper report yesterday said investigators believe the botched hits are part of an organized crime struggle for control of the Teamsters local. The victims of the attacks are a father and son who were union officials.

An Israeli military court has convicted four soldiers of beating two Palestinian residents of a Gaza refugee camp... including one who later died from his injuries. Israeli Army Radio reports a battalion commander also wasconvicted in Jerusalem of giving the order to beat the Arabs in early 1988. At the time... Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin announced a policy of beatings to disperse Palestinian demonstrators.

An air traffic controller says he saw Pan Am Flight 103 break into four or five pieces on his radar before disappearing when it was blown apart by a terrorist bomb over Lockerbie, Scotland, nearly two years ago. Controller Alan Topp testified yesterday in Dumfries before a panel reviewing security and other factors leading up to the bombing. Topp said he was very worried at the time... but couldN'T immediately confirm his worst fears.

Eight historic Philadelphia sites are closed to the public today... victims of a federal budget crunch. The buildings will remain locked until Congress decides how much money to allocate to the National Park Service. The Liberty Bell and Independence Hall remain open. But the Second Bank of the United States... which hosted 140-thousand visitors last year... is among the sites shuttered until further notice.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 2) UPI - Minnesota Vikings defensive tackle Keith Millard was to have major reconstructive surgery on his right knee Tuesday and will be out for at least the remainder of the season.

''It's career-threatening,'' Millard said Monday. ''It's going to take a hell of an effort, an every-day process just to get back to where I can use it. But if there's a person who can do that, Keith Millard can do it.''

Dr. David Fischer, the Vikings' medical director, said Millard tore his medial collateral and anterior cruciate ligaments in the third quarter of the Vikings' 23-20 overtime loss to Tampa Bay Sunday. Fischer sounded cautiously optimistic about Millard's chances of making a comeback.

''It's a major injury to his knee joint,'' Fischer said. ''We don't expect it

to interfere with his playing pro football, but certainly it's an injury of that magnitude. ... I think we're aiming toward Keith's playing his position next year. ... I think Keith's goal would be to put him in a position to play, where he can put his great love of the game, his desire and his athleticism to work for him.''

Millard, 28, a key leader of the Vikings' defense, said his wife Sal came into the locker room after he was hurt and reminded him that Chicago Bears tackle Dan Hampton survived 10 knee operations and is still playing.

''But Dan Hampton never had anything like this,'' Millard said. ''I'm not making light of his injuries, but I talked to Dr. Fischer this morning. He said, 'You'll be in uniform next season, but who knows how well you'll be able to play?' But I told Sal, we're set financially, if my career is over. I won't have to go out and get a job for some time.''

Other Vikings have suffered similar injuries, including quarterback Rich Gannon, former linebacker Jesse Solomon and former defensive end Doug Martin. Gannon recovered in one offseason, Solomong did not return to 100 percent for about one year and Martin recovered but the injured probably hastened his retirement.

Millard's injury came on the Metrodome's artificial turf when he leaped over a Tampa Bay player in an attempt to get quarterback Vinny Testeverde. When he landed, his cleats caught and his knee buckled. He was not hit by another player.

''When I came down, it felt like the impact of a hit,'' Millard said. ''It hurt more than anything I've ever felt in my life.''

Teammates Chris Doleman, Henry Thomas and Al Noga helped restrain him after the injury.

''I was rolling around and they were trying to calm me down,'' Millard said. ''All I wanted to do was get at my knee. They couldn't keep me from screaming. I think they were trying to prevent me from going into shock because the pain was unbelievable.''

Millard's abscence leaves the already-struggling Vikings defense in an even bigger hole. General Manager Mike Lynn says Thomas Strauthers probably will start in Millard's place and that the club will try to sign or trade for a backup tackle. One possibility is to bring in Ken Clarke, who was among the final players cut in presason.

''I'm excited,'' said Strauthers, 29. ''It's a challenge for me. I want to show (the coaches) they made a good decision in bringing me here. I'm really trying not to put pressure on myself, saying, 'Millard's down, I've got to play up to his standards.' No. Keith is a great player. I can't go in and do

the things he did.''

The Vikings, the defending NFC Central champions, are off to a 1-3 start. But Coach Jerry Burns is not ready to concede the title.

''We're still talking about winning the division, not a wildcard spot,'' he said.

Lynn also said he is not panicking.

''This team could just as easily be 4-0,'' Lynn said. ''We've lost three games by three points (each).

''It's not like we're getting blown out 30 to nothing. I would be really concerned if we were getting blown out by two or three touchdowns. I don't believe in any blakc-cat theory or snake-bit theory.''

In other developments, the Vikings have signed three practice players, safety Pat Eilers, running back. J.J. Flannigan and offensive lineman James Harper. Safrety Ken Stills and receiver Pat Newman, coming off injured reserve, also will join the practice squad.

The team was expected to re-sign wide receiver-punt returner Leo Lewis Tuesday.

Burns also said punter Harry Newsome was better than average Sunday, meaning he will be kept around for another week.

Cornerback Reggie Rutland was feeling better after suffering a concussion Sunday and should be able to play this week. Guard Randall McDaniel won't practice for a couple of days because of a sprained right ankle.

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PORTLAND, Maine (OCT. 2) UPI - Lobster prices, kept down all summer by oversupply and weak demand, have plummeted to the lowest level that industry officials can remember in many years.

Prices for soft-shell lobsters at some Portland retail markets dropped last week to $1.99 a pound. Some restaurants have been offering lobster dinners for $5.95.

Edward Blackmore, president of the Maine Lobstermen's Association, said Monday he could not remember the last time retail prices dropped below $2 a pound.

''My memory does not go back that far,'' Blackmore said.

Industry officials cannot say if the low prices are a record because there is

no official system to track lobster prices on the retail level.

Lobster prices in New England have been below average for most of the year because of the large size of this year's catch of the softer-shell lobsters and the region's sluggish economy, which has weakened demand.

Lobster dealers said they expect prices to begin gradually climbing this week and next.

Lobstermen have reported harvesting more hard-shell lobsters, which can be sold at a higher price because they contain more meat and can be transported to markets around the world.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - The Tokyo stock market, which had been suffering from its worst battering since October 1987, rebounded Tuesday to post its largest daily advance ever as bargain hunting combined with good news concerning interest rates, hopeful signs in the Middle East and a boost from Japan's Finance Ministry.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selective issues, which plunged 761.64 points Monday, rocketed 2,676.55 points - or 13.2 percent - to 22,898.41.

The surge was a record jump in both number and percentage, topping the previous mark of 2,037.32 points set Oct. 21, 1987, and a record 11.3 percent jump in prices in December 1949.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, which dropped 47.52 points Monday, jumped 145.40 points to 1,668.83.

Volume was strong as an estimated 550 million shares changed hands, compared with 429 million shares Monday.

Advances overpowered declines 768 to 64, while 24 issues remained unchanged.

''The mood was incredible,'' said Chris Schreiber, a broker with New Japan Securities Co.

''Everybody had been down for months, but today you got people clapping in the dealing room. In the international department they were telling jokes.''

''Roll out the superlatives,'' added George Nimmo, a manager with SBCI Securities. ''If we hadn't been up today, we might have just as well packed up and gone home.

Analysts pointed to several positive signs that led to the turnaround:

-President Bush's speech to the United Nations and Iraq's release of French hostages coupled with declines in oil prices.

-The agreement between Bush and congressional leaders on the budget deficit increased the likelihood of lower interest rates.

-A promise from Japan's Ministry of Finance to ease margin requirements - or deposits - eased pressures on individual investors to sell.

Analysts however were divided on whether the rally would last.

''Nobody is convinced that the market has bottomed out,'' said Schreiber. ''Nobody sees interest rates coming off in a big way. You are going to have to see a slowdown.''

''I think we have seen the bottom,'' said Nimmo. ''In September the stock market lost 15 percent. That was overdone on the downside.''

Shares ended higher across the board with blue chip issues showing the largest gains, analysts noted.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks soared in heavy trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as prices rallied on encouraging news from the Persian Gulf.

The key Hang Seng Index, gained 30.44 points Monday, surged 114.22 points to 2,905.48.

Among the narrower indexes, financials climbed 46.96 points, industrials rose 97.28, utilities surged 169.18 and properties jumped 212.94 points.

Volume was active as an estimated 1.1 billion shares chanded hands, well abovethe 463 million shares changing hands Monday.

''It was a good day compared to some of the days that we've had recently, but our volume is still not of the scale of New York,'' said Howard Gorges of South China Securities.

In Singapore, stocks closed sharply higher in fairly active trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in reaction to the surge in Japan.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which gained 4.76 points Monday, climbed 33.77 points to 1,137.21. The broader-based All Singapore Index rose 10.64 points to 319.04.

Volume amounted to an estimated 77.3 million shares, more than double the 31.3 million shares changing hands Monday.

Blue chips and quality stocks were picked up favorably by bargain hunters.

''Investors were having a heyday in the market,'' one local analysts said.

On the trading floor, Jurong Shipyard paced the advancing issues followed by Singapore Airlines domestic shares and Singapore Airlines foreign shares.

UAC Berhad led the declining stocks followed by Khong Guan Flour and Perlis Plant.

In Bangkok, stocks finished stronger on the Thailand Stock Exchange boosted by the rise in other world stock markets and the easing of tensions in the Middle East.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index, which gained 12.83 points Monday, jumped 50.12 points or 7.7 percent to 704.51.

Volume amounted to around 2 billion shares, compared with 1.4 billion shares Monday.

Advances outpaced declines 152 to only 5.

The best-performing sectors were finance, banking, commerce, textiles and construction.

''The market was active with buyers because of several pieces of good news, including lower oil prices and the easing of tensions in the Middle East'' said Worakit Disayabuth, a SET.

In Australia, stocks closed sharply higher on the Sydney Sharemarket following strong performance in Tokyo.

The All Ordinaries Index, which added 3.9 points Friday, gained 20.4 points to 1,406.1. The All Industrials index rose 46.5 points to 2,086.1 and the All Resources index gained 2.1 points to 875.2.

Markets in Sydney were closed Monday for a national holiday.

An estimated 81.9 million shares changed hands, compared with 101.7 million shares last Friday.

Brokers said the long awaited rally was triggered by Wall Street's performance and was carried forward by Tokyo.

News Corp. gained 60 cents to $7.10. Brambles rose 30 cents to $12.90, Lend Lease added 30 cents to $12.80 and Adsteam jumped 17 cents to $2.57.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - More than 100 people are feared dead in an aircraft disaster today in southern China caused by hijackers. Chinese officials say the hijackers commandeered a Boeing 737 jetliner and forced it to fly to Canton where they set off an explosion. As the plane crashed, it slammed into other planes in a huge fireball. All three planes were operated by Chinese airlines.

Conservative Republicans in the House are revolting against the five- year, 500-BILLION-dollar budget deal. House Republican leader Newt Gingrich says it will kill jobs and weaken the economy.

Confirmation proceedings begin in the Senate today for Supreme Court nominee David Souter. He is expected to be approved. The high court opened its fall session yesterday with only eight members.

The House has passed a bill strengthening security to fight airline terrorism. The bill is a response to the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie Scotland. Senate passage is expected.

U-S and Soviet diplomats have agreed on military cuts in Europe. The breakthrough could be announced tomorrow after talks between Secretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze.

The political wall comes down tonight between East and West Germany. For the first time since World War Two, Germany will be united into one nation. The new population will be 80-Million and the capital will be Berlin.

Polish President Wojciech Jaruzelski has signed a law calling for a new presidential election, probably November 25th. Solidarity leader Lech Walesa has announced he is running.

A buffer zone has been set up in Monrovia, Liberia's capital. Troops from a west African peace force moved into the center of Monrovia yesterday to separate rebels and government soldiers.

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LAHORE, PAKISTAN (OCT. 2) UPI - Thousands of supporters of Benazir Bhutto chanting ''Benazir is innocent'' briefly occupied a courtroom Tuesday where the ousted prime minister faced a hearing on charges of corruption while she was in office.

The protest in the northeastern city of Lahore forced the hearing to take place in the judge's chambers.

Bhutto supporters began surrounding the court building early Tuesday morning.

After Bhutto and her lawyers arrived at the court, the crowd of more than 7,000 broke through police barricades and stormed the building.

Police attempted to beat the people back with a baton charge, but finally withdrew and the crowd surged into the building, occupying the courtroom with chants of ''Benazir is innocent'' and ''Future Prime Minister Bhutto.''

While the protesters occupied the courtroom, officials said the hearing took place in the judge's chambers, where Bhutto - represented by her lawyers - was ordered to reappear before the court next Tuesday. Bhutto remained in an anteroom of the court during the hearing and protest.

Two hours later, the demonstrators left the building peacefully. Bhutto, 37, later left Lahore to continue her campaign, launched Monday for the Oct. 24 elections.

Officials of Bhutto's Pakiston People's Party accused the government of Punjab Province, of which Lahore is the capital, of stage managing the protest to discredit the party.

Bhutto's hearing before the special court was based on charges she used her influence to attempt to obtain prime land in Islamabad at nominal rates for a London-based hotel company.

She has denied the accusations and has challenged the validity of the special courts, which were set up by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan to try Bhutto and members of her administration on charges of corruption while in office.

The former prime minister also appeared before a special court in the southern port of Karachi on Sunday, but that hearing was adjourned until Oct. 10.

If found guilty on any of the charges, Bhutto could be barred from politics, including participating in the Oct. 24 elections, for seven years.

Bhutto's husband, businessman Asif Ali Zardari, also faces bank fraud charges and is free on bail.

Ishaq Khan dismissed Bhutto's 20-month-old administration on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and failing to control law and order, and appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi as interim prime minister until elections.

Tuesday's hearing was to have taken place in the same Lahore high court building where Bhutto's father, late Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, was sentenced to death on March 18, 1978 for conspiring to murder a political opponent. The supreme court upheld the sentence and the elder Bhutto was hanged the following year.

''We kept quiet in 1978. We won't keep quiet now,'' Bhutto's supporters shouted in the courtroom Tuesday.

Zulfikar Ali Bhutto was overthrown by then Army Chief of Staff Mohammad Zia ul-Haq in a bloodless 1977 coup. Zia ruled for 11 years, eight of them as head of a military government, until his death in a mysterious August 1988 plane crash.

Benazir Bhutto assumed office in December of that year following the first free elections in the country since 1977.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - The nomination of David Souter to the Supreme Court comes to the Senate floor today. If confirmed as expected... Souter could join the court in time to help decide whether employers can use birth defect prevention policies to bar women of child-bearing age from certain jobs.

Officials say the hijacking of a Chinese-owned jetliner ended in catastrophe today when an explosion tore through the Boeing 737 as it landed in southern China. Police had sealed off the Canton airport before the crash. Reports say the plane hit one empty plane and another loaded with passengers. More than 100 people are feared dead.

Western authorities hope Iraq's release of nine French hostages marks a move toward a French peace proposal for the Persian Gulf. President Bush yesterday embraced parts of the plan in a U-N speech... saying ''there may be opportunities'' for Iraq if it is willing to pull its troops out of Kuwait.

At least 90 conventioneers in Chicago fell ill from apparent food poisoning last night. Fire officials say ambulances transported victims to area hospitals... and waited outside the hotels in case more people got sick. Emergency workers suspect a banquet of chicken and bread- pudding is to blame.

Testimony continues today in the obscenity trial of Cincinnati's Contemporary Arts Center and its director... for a display of Robert Mapplethorpe photographs. The museum curator yesterday testified she felt she should exhibit Mapplethorpe's works because he was ''the most important'' photographer of the 1980s.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - President Bush is pushing for U-N membership for South Korea... and says he would NOT object to membership for North Korea. Bush said yesterday the ultimate objective is reunification of Korea. Bush went on to say he believes in ''universal U-N membership'' for all states to reduce

regional tensions.

Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu begins a seven-day tour of the Mideast today. His first stop is Cairo, Egypt. Officials say Kaifu is expected to focus on giving aid to nations going through economic hard times because of the Persian Gulf crisis. Kaifu's tour is the first to the region in 12 years by a Japanese prime minister.

Thousands of Nicaragua's Sandinista workers skipped work yesterday to march through Managua to protest government economic policies. But the demonstrations were much smaller and more tranquil than had been threatened... apparently because of meetings last week between Sandinista leaders and government representatives.

The Supreme Court has refused to take a case involving whether state agencies may consider race as a factor in making adoption placements. The court rejected arguments by a couple who contend they were excluded from adopting a child because they are white and the child is of mixed race.

A Pakistani-made film epic in which writer Salman Rushdie is incinerated by lightning opened to an almost empty theater outside London. A few dozen people caught the movie Sunday night in Bradford... where British Moslems first burned copies of Rushdie's ''The Satanic Verses,'' the book they claim blasphemes their religion.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 2) UPI - The site of the execution of Russia's last czar will be handed over to the Russian Orthodox Church for a memorial shrine, it was disclosed Tuesday.

The merchant's house in the Ural Mountains city of Sverdlovsk, where Czar Nicholas II and his family met their death on July 16, 1918, was razed in the mid-1970s by Russian Federation leader Boris Yeltsin, then head of the Sverdlovsk Communist Party, on the orders of Leonid Brezhnev.

In response to thousands of letters demanding that the site be made a shrine, the current Sverdlovsk city council has decided to hand it over to the church, the official news agency Tass reported Tuesday.

The Orthodox Church canonized the czar following his brutal death at the hands of Bolshevik revolutionaries, and many believers want to build a cathderal on the execution site.

''So far there is only a wooden cross on the spot, but according to Russian Orthodox Church tradition it should be replaced with a chapel or a church,'' Tass said.

Czarina Alexandra, her four daughters, and the heir to the throne, the hemophiliac Alexei, were shot to death with the czar in the cellar of the Ipatiev house in Ekaterinburg, as Sverdlovsk was then called.

The house has become a place of pilgrimage for monarchists, Russian Orthodox believers or those simply curious about Russia's imperial past, long a taboo subject until Mikhail Gorbachev's glasnost reforms.

Forced to abdicate in 1917 during the upheaval just before the Bolshevik Revolution, the czar, with his family, was first confined to their palace in Petrograd and then moved to Ekaterinburg.

The new Communist leadership in Moscow ordered the czar's execution to prevent a rescue by White Russian anti-Communist forces that were in the area and threatening the city.

The death of the czar is the subject of a current hit play in Moscow, and the interest in his reign has grown as the Soviet Union shucks its Communist ideology.

Monarchists want a ''cathedral of blood'' built at the site of the execution, while other groups desire that a memorial plaque be placed where the Ipatiev house stood.

While Brezhnev ruled the Soviet Union from 1964 to 1982, he tried to stem interest in its imperial past, but Gorbachev has allowed such curiosity to flourish.

Yeltsin, popular head of the giant Russian republic, said in a recent television interview that he twice ignored orders to tear down the house where the czar was killed when he ran the Sverdlovsk party organization.

Anti-Communists argue that the execution was the Bolsheviks' first major crime. They also claim that subsequent obfuscation about who ordered the killing set a pattern for seven decades of dishonesty by the Soviet leadership.

Extreme right-wing and outright anti-Semitic grups such as the Pamyat organization blame the czar's killing on Jews and say that the last Romanov was ''ritually slaughtered.''

The various charges and counter-charges have been treated in depth by the Soviet press.

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WEST BERLIN (OCT. 2) UPI - Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Tuesday Germany has

learned the lessons of World War II and pledged the unified nation being created Wednesday will be a good neighbor, dedicated to democracy and peace.

On the eve of German unification, Kohl, in a radio and television address, thanked President Bush and the leaders of France and Great Britain for helping bring about ''unity in freedom.''

He also thanked Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev for accepting Germany's right to end the division that began with the Nazi surrender in 1945.

''We Germans have learned from history,'' said Kohl, who was to become the chancellor of the new, sovereign, unified Germany just after midnight Tuesday.

''We are a peace-loving and freedom-loving people and never again will surrender our democracy to the enemies of peace,'' he said. ''For us, love of the fatherland, love of freedom and the spirit of good neighborliness always belong together. We want to be good friends. There is only one place for us in the world: at the side of the free nations.''

Kohl told Germans in both East and West they faced a difficult task in solving the economic problems produced by 40 years of Communist rule in the German Democratic Republic. He said they would not be solved overnight, but expressed confidence the free market economy being introduced would make East Germany ''bloom.''

''In a few hours, our dreams will come true,'' he said. ''After 40 bitter years of division, Germany, our fatherland is again united. For me, this moment is the happiest of my life.''

Kohl recalled that the division of Germany had torn families apart, and that political prisoners had been jailed and people killed trying to reach the West over the wall built by the Communists to halt the mass flight of refugees.

''We owe it to our children and grandchildren that such things never happen to them,'' he said.

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (OCT. 2) UPI - The European Community warmly welcomed 16 million new citizens into the 12-nation grouping as the two German states became one.

''The unification of Germany opens the door toward the unity of all of Europe '' the EC Commission said in a statement in anticipation of the merger of East and West Germany just after midnight Tuesday.

''The integration of the former East Germany enriches the identity of the

Community as a whole,'' the commission statement said.

The president of the European Parliament, Enrique Baron of Spain, also said German unification could be a ''stimulus'' toward greater political integration of Europe.

A special EC conference begins in December, in Rome, aimed at forging further ''political union'' in the 12-nation community, perhaps including a common security policy.

France, in particular, wants to speed up EC political integration in order to firmly anchor a united Germany in Europe.

The EC has adopted temporary emergency measures, including exemptions from some environmental laws, to help ease the transition of eastern German territory into the wealthy community.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - At least 120 people are believed dead in an aviation disaster in China that was caused by hijackers. Chinese officials and Western diplomats say the hijackers commandeered a Boeing 737 jetliner during a flight over southern China. At first, the officials said there was an explosion as the plane landed at Canton airport. Later, they said there was NO blast, but there was a fight in the cockpit. .

The plane plowed into other two aircraft creating a huge fireball a Westerner says turned the jet into a ''crematorium.'' At least two Americans were on the hijacked flight. One is in good condition... the other is missing.

The inquiry in Scotland into the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 has been adjourned because of the death of a lawyer representing relatives of American victims. Scottish lawyer Michael Hughes was killed in a collision of his car and a truck yesterday. The judicial inquiry into the terrorist bombing that killed 270 people began yesterday.

The Tokyo stock market had a record gain today because of favorable interest developments and news about the Middle East. The key Nikkei Average rose 13 percent. This was a bigger percentage increase than the previous record 41 years ago. Other Asian markets- Hong Kong, Singapore, Bangkok and Sydney- also had higher prices.

Several days of heavy rains have brought the threat of floods to the Southwest. The ground in New Mexico, western Texas and Arizona already was saturated when a tropical storm off lower California brought more rain. Cold weather in Washington state's Cascade Mountains allowed up to six inches of snow to accumulate at higher levels. Cool temperatures covered most of the

Northeast this morning, while it was warm in South.

Israel is handing out gas masks to its nearly five-Million citizens. Officials say recent threats by Iraq have NOTHING to do with the distribution, which they call a precautionary measure. Israel is also buying gas masks for the one-point-seven-Million Palestinians in occupied territories. However, the Palestinians will have to pay about 100 dollars for each mask. Israelis will get the masks free.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Cuba's official news agency says a Cuban prisoner escaped from a hospital in Havana during the weekend and took refuge in the Canadian Embassy. The prisoner, who was serving 30 years for theft, kidnapping and assault,reportedly injected petroleum into his arm and had the limb amputed in the hospital. The news agency says Canadian authorities are expected to return him to Cuban officials.

Conservative Republicans are revolting against the budget agreement. House Republican leader Newt Gingrich says he will vote against the deficit reduction plan because it will weaken the economy. Some Democratic lawmakers agree with Gingrich. Joseph Brennan of Maine says the agreement will put an UNfair burden on working Americans and the elderly.

The Navy says it presumes three missing helicopter crew members are dead and has called off a search for them. The Navy chopper crashed Sunday while making an emergency approach for a landing on a guided missile frigate off the Oregon coast. It missed the ship and plunged into the ocean. Searchers found debris, but NO sign of the crew.

A Texas prosecutor says a U-S Supreme Court ruling means a killer can remain on the streets. Prosecutor Peter Speers says he hoped to put Clarence Brandley behind bars again. But a Texas Court of appeals overturned Brandley's conviction for raping and murdering a 16-year-old girl and the Supreme Court upheld that ruling. The Texas court said Brandley was convicted because of racial bias.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 1: Purchases of 521, 169 shares and sales of 514,777 shares including 13,738 shares sold short.

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The government also reported a 7.7-month supply of unsold homes at the current sales rate at the end of August, unchanged from July and slightly better than a 7.8-month supply at the end of June.

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JERUSALEM (OCT. 2) UPI - An air raid siren, which went off because of a malfunction, frightened residents of a Jerusalem neighborhood Tuesday and sent some hurrying to bomb shelters a day after Israel announced its decision to distribute gas masks.

''For the years that these machines have existed, a malfunction never occurred '' said Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek. ''Only today it had to happen.''

The siren went off at 9 a.m. in the Romema neighborhood near Jerusalem's central bus station and several government ministry offices, interferring with the transmission of the state-owned radio station. Some residents entered bomb shelters in response to the rising and falling pitch of the siren, the warning of a possible attack.

Within 30 minutes, Israel Radio and Army Radio broadcast messages to calm the residents's fears and attributed the siren to a malfunction.

Israel announced Monday the military would distribute gas masks to its more than 4.7 million citizens, but denied that recent threats against the country by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had sparked the decision.

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#90275u0926 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

WEST BERLIN (OCT. 2) UPI - The chairman of the Central Council of Jews in Germany said Tuesday that a united Germany must end ''once and for all'' every form of racism, anti-Semitism and neo-Nazism.

''The increased importance (of Germany) will - particularly in view of the dreadful past - also mean a dramatically increased responsibility,'' said Heinz Galinsky, who heads the organization.

''Once and for all, it must be demonstrated that, in this country, racism, anti-Semitism, hatred of foreigners, neo-Nazism and right-wing radicalism finally belong to the past and may never surface again in the future,'' he said.

Galinsky made the comments in a statement released hours before the historic merger of East and West Germany just after midnight Tuesday. Because it joins West Germany's federal republic, East Germany was simply ceasing to exist.

Galinsky said that marks the disappearance of a state ''for which we will not shed any tears, because it already gave up long ago its right to existence through most unpleasant events,'' an apparent reference to the persecution of Jews by the Stalinist former East German leadership.

By the time the Communist authorities were ousted from power last fall, there were only an estimated 400 Jews living in East Germany.

Galinsky said unification was an occasion to rejoice, but he also complained that authorities had not clearly stated in the new introduction to the German Constitution that ''the division was clearly the result of the (Nazi) rule of terror, from which results an indebtedness toward the victims and the survivors.''

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CHICAGO (OCT. 2) UPI - The Chicago Health Department Tuesday tried to determine the cause of the apparent food poisoning of more than 150 people attending the Tru-Value Hardware chain convention.

Officials said the apparent cause was food served Sunday evening at the Hyatt Regency Hotel but said it could be several days or weeks before a determination is made.

A survey of more than a dozen hospitals showed at least 155 people were treated for symptoms of food poisoning and at least 35 were admitted.

Some of the victims began feeling ill Monday morning but many did not suffer the symptoms of food poisoning until later in the day.

A majority of the victims were taken by ambulance from the Executive House Hotel Monday night after complaining of vomiting, diarrhea, dizziness and fainting spells. Others were staying at the Hyatt and the Swiss Grand Hotel.

More than a dozen hospitals reported treating victims.

Ambulances remained outside the hotels much of the night, anticipating more victims, Fire Department spokesman Tom Sheppard said.

He said the Executive House was 90 percent empty after paramedics conducted a door-to-door search for guests who may have been affected.

In addition to those taken to hospitals by ambulances, the hospitals reported

an unspecified number of walk-in victims throughout the day Monday seeking emergency treatment.

In all, about 1,800 people attended a welcoming dinner for the franchise owners Sunday night at the Hyatt. The meal included a green salad, chicken stuffed with wild rice and a bread pudding with a cream sauce.

Many of the victims said they believe it was the bread pudding that caused their illness.

Hyatt Regency Manager Rita Goetz refused comment Monday night.

Officials said about 3,300 distributors were attending the bi-annual convention.

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BEIJING (OCT. 2) UPI - A jetliner hijacked over south China crashed on landing at Canton airport Tuesday as its crew fought with the hijackers, careening into two other planes in a fireball that killed at least 120 people, official reports and Western diplomats said.

The Chinese-operated Boeing 737 slammed into an empty jetliner and another loaded with passengers on the runway, skidded across the tarmac and burned, witnesses reported. At least two Americans, other foreigners and overseas Chinese were aboard the planes.

''There wasn't much left of the plane,'' said a Westerner who visited Bai Yun airport in Canton, southern China's biggest metropolis, after the morning crash. ''It was just a crematorium.''

The hijacked plane carried 104 passengers and crew on a domestic flight from the east coast city of Xiamen, airport officials said. The plane on the ground was a Chinese Boeing 757 bound for Shanghai, but the number of people aboard was not certain, they said.

The official Xinhua news agency, in a sketchy report, said at least 120 people were confirmed dead and 100 known to have survived, of whom 53 were injured. The majority of those killed were aboard the hijacked plane, officials said.

In Beijing, U.S. Embassy spokesman Sheridan Bell said an American aboard the hijacked flight, Erin L. Thomas, believed to be from Oklahoma, was reported in good condition at Canton's Nanfang Hospital. But another American aboard remained missing.

According to accounts from local officials reached by telephone, Xinhua and diplomats, the plane belonging to the state-run Xiamen Airline Co. departed

before 7 a.m. and was hijacked during the short flight to Canton, also known as Guangzhou.

The crew alerted Canton airport authorities. Police sealed off the airport around 8:30 a.m. and sent fire trucks and ambulances to stand by, foreign witnesses in the city said.

Diplomats first quoted airport officials as saying the hijackers set off an explosion as the plane reached the runway, but later said survivors reported no blast. Survivors said the crew was struggling with the hijackers in the cockpit before impact.

''The plane skidded across the runway out of control,'' a diplomat said.

The careening 737 slammed into an empty Boeing 707 and struck above the wing of a Boeing 757 waiting to take off for Shanghai before skidding further down the runway and burning, diplomats said.

Hong Kong television showed still photographs of the wreckage of the 737, with only the nose and tail intact and most of it charred metal. Xinhua said the 757 also ''was destroyed.''

The hijack motive was not known, but Xiamen is in coastal Fujian Province, from where planes have been hijacked before to fly to Nationalist-held Taiwan just east across the Taiwan Strait.

Xinhua said the Canton airport had returned to ''normal operations'' by mid-evening. Canton is a hub for transport in the area and to nearby Hong Kong.

Xinhua also reported Chinese Premier Li Peng flew from Beijing to the scene to inspect the accident, arriving in early afternoon. He was accompanied by senior local officials.

In Tokyo, the Japanese Foreign Ministry said at least one Japanese national, Tomohide Yamamoto, 38, was injured aboard the Shanghai-bound flight. A Swedish national was also reported to have been aboard but was apparently uninjured.

A Japanese television report said the hijacked 737 was also carrying a group of Taiwan tourists, but their fate was unknown.

Hijackings are not common in China but have been on the rise in recent years, prompting aviation and law enforcement authorities to experiment with various counter-measures including deception.

In April 1988, the pilot of a hijacked CAAC airliner pretended he was complying with a demand to fly to Taiwan but instead landed at a mainland city. After leaving the plane, the hijacker detonated a homemade bomb, killing himself and wounding two passengers.

In Tuesday's incident, Xinhua said ground officials authorized the pilot of the hijacked plane ''to land at any airport, domestic or otherwise, to ensure the safety of the airliner and passengers.''

Last December, a man claiming to be a leader of 1989's crushed democracy movement hijacked an Air China flight from Beijing, landing in Japan. Japanese authorities arrested and returned him to China, where he was sentenced to eight years in prison.

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DUMFRIES, SCOTLAND (OCT. 2) UPI - A judicial inquiry into the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 was adjourned Tuesday after a lawyer representing relatives of American victims died in a car crash.

Michael Hughes, 37, was killed as drove to his hometown of Glasgow to meet a New York lawyer after Monday's session. His car was struck by a truck that went out of control on the M74 highway just south of Glasgow, police said.

Hughes, a father of five, had worked with the U.S. group of relatives since the disaster, which cost 270 lives, 21 months ago.

The inquiry was adjourned until Thursday when witneses of the aircraft crash in Lockerbie, Scotland, will be heard.

News of his death stunned lawyers, officials and victims' relatives at the inquiry. Many of them learned of the tragedy just before the session was due to start.

The Scottish Lord Advocate, Lord Fraser of Carmyllie, said he had been devastated to learn of Hughes' death.

''He rightly enjoyed the highest of professional respect,'' he said, offering his condolences to Hughes' wife and young children.

His lifelong friend, lawyer John Baird, who also is appearing at the inquiry, said, ''I am devastated. We grew up together and went to school and university together. This a terrible loss.''

Hughes was adviser to Lee Kreindler, a New York attorney who is acting on behalf of many of the families and has filed for damages in New York courts. Hughes was on his way to meet Kreindler, who was flying in from New York, when he died.

A few miles south of Glasow a southbound truck apparently went out of control, crossed a strip separating the lanes of traffic, crashed into a van, then hit

Hughes' car, police said.

Hughes died instantly in the wreckage.

The truck driver suffered from shock and the van driver was uninjured. No one else was involved.

Police took possession of Hughes' legal documents relating to the inquiry.

Monday was the first day of the inquiry into the terrorist bombing of the Boeing 747 that was en route from Frankfurt, West Germany, to New York after stopping in London on Dec. 21, 1988.

The inquiry is not seeking to determine criminal responsibility for the deaths of the 259 people who were aboard the plane and 11 people on the ground in Lockerbie, where the plane fell. The question is being handled by police and various international agencies.

It is considering events leading up to the attack, including whether proper security precautions were carried out at London's Heathrow Airport.

The inquiry is being held at Easterbrook Hall on the grounds of Crichton Royal Hospital, Dumfries, 12 miles from where the plane fell to the ground in chunks of tangled metal.

George Kavanagh, Hughes' partner in the Glasgow law firm of Hughes and Dowdall has taken his place at the inquiry.

''I wept when I heard the news,'' he said. ''I have lost a very close and generous friend and partner. He was a leading Scots solicitor and a gentleman ... a real gentle man.''

American attorney Frank Granito Jr. said, ''The U.S. contingent has been shocked by the news. Our hearts go out to Michael's family, particularly his wife and children.

''I know Lee Kreindler relied greatly upon him and found him most helpful and generous.''

Nine American attorneys, representing the relatives of some of the 188 U.S. citizens who were killed, were among the more than 45 lawyers present for Monday's first session.

Among the other attorneys were ones representing Pan American World Airways, the British Airport Authority, the Civil Aviation authority, the Department of Transport, Hull War Risks Insurance, which insured the aircraft, and George Esson, chief constable of Dumfries and Galloway, who is in charge of the separate criminal investigation.

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#90275u1002 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
OLONGAPO, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 2) UPI - Philippine and U.S. officials failed Tuesday to reach agreement to end a general strike over wage disputes by Filipino workers at the largest U.S. military bases overseas.

Meanwhile, a Filipino striker was slightly injured when a U.S. vehicle in a convoy leaving Clark Air Base with prior union approval struck a wooden barrier that hit him, Clark spokesman Maj. Wayne Crist said.

Aside from the incident, which is under Philippine investigation, the strike by the 22,000-member Federation of Filipino Civilian Employees Associations at Clark, Subic Bay Naval Base and four smaller facilities has been generally peaceful, officials said.

The strike was called Sunday night to protest a 3.5 percent cap on pay raises by Congress, preventing U.S. officials here from implementing an agreement raising local salaries by 18 percent.

Federation President Roberto Flores said the U.S. panel headed by Embassy labor attache James Peter Dodd presented a memorandum of agreement during a four-hour meeting of Philippine and U.S. panels, but this was ''unacceptable'' to the strikers.

''The talks will continue tomorrow to thresh out the unacceptable wordings of the memorandum of agreement,'' Flores said at the end of the meeting at a resort in Olongapo, which adjoins Subic.

''In the meantime, the picket will continue. We want no less than a full compliance,'' Flores said.

Clark, home of the 13th Air Force, and Subic, the repair and logistics center for the 7th Fleet, are the oldest and largest U.S. facilities overseas. The bases located 50 miles north of Manila are manned by more than 15,000 troops.

Subic civilian spokesman Robert Coble said volunteers were keeping essential services going.

''Things get done, but its not like when you have the Filipinos around,'' he said.

Some of the jobs were filled by dependents of military and civilian employees.

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#90275u1010 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

HANOVER, NH (OCT. 2) UPI - The editors of the Dartmouth Review, a controversial off-campus weekly, say an unknown prankster was responsible for slipping a quote from Adolf Hitler into an issue released during an important Jewish holiday.

The anti-semitic quote, from Hitler's book ''Mein Kampf,'' was carried on the paper's masthead.

It prompted an outcry from students, who have scheduled an anti- Review rally for Thursday, and college officials. Dartmouth President James O. Freedman Monday attacked the paper for showing ''appalling bigotry.''

The quote, ''Therefore I believe today that I am acting in the sense of the almighty Creator: by warding off the Jews I am fighting for the Lord's work,'' appeared in the middle of a quote from Theodore Roosevelt, which the paper calls its ''credo.''

Dartmouth Review editors disavowed the Hitler quote and offered ''heartfelt apologies to Jews at Dartmouth and to the Dartmouth community at large.'' They also pledged to find out who is responsible for putting it in the paper.

''This cancer amongst our ranks will be sought out and thoroughly punished,'' they said in an open letter to the campus. ''When the person who did this is found, let us all berate him together - let us not fight against each other.''

The letter also pleaded with the Dartmouth community to prevent the story from being spread off campus.

''Please, those of you who want to again drag Dartmouth into national media think before you cast your log upon the fire,'' it said.

Dartmouth students were circulating a petition pledging to ''formally sever all association'' with the Dartmouth Review, and condemning it for contributing to an atmosphere of intolerance.

Freedman, who is Jewish, also blasted the paper.

''For 10 years the Dartmouth Review has consistently attacked blacks because they are black, women because they are women, homosexuals because they are homosexuals, and Jews because they are Jews,'' Freedman said in a statement. ''Now, in an act of moral cowardice that extends that reprehensible patter, it relies upon Hitler's Mein Hampf on the day of Yom Kippur. Appalling bigotry of this kind has no place at the college or in this country.''

The Review, which has the backing of William F. Buckley and other well-known conservatives, is published by Dartmouth students but has no direct affiliation with the college.

The newspaper and its staffers have been involved in a number of controversial incidents, including attacks in print on a black professor of music and an assault with sledge hammers on shanties built on the college green to protest apartheid.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) UPI - Capital spending by subsidiaries of U.S. companies operating overseas is expected to increase 1 percent to $56.6 billion in 1991, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

Europe, with the collapse of communism, and Asia, with its emerging industries are considered especially attractive for business investment by American firms.

There are also vast oil and gas reserves abroad.

''If 1991 plans are realized, capital spending in both 1990 and 1991 will be significantly higher than in the 1980s,'' the government said. ''The level of capital expenditures indicates that U.S. parent companies plan to maintain their recent emphasis on overseas operations.''

Petroleum and manufacturing companies are expected to increase spending 18 percent this year vs. 1989 to $15.6 billion and $28 billion, respectively, the department's Bureau of Economic Analysis said.

Last year, overseas capital spending by petroleum companies fell 1 percent, while spending by manufacturers was up 17 percent.

In 1991, petroleum companies are expected to increase spending 2 percent over 1990 to $15.9 billion and manufacturers are expected to increase spending 1 percent to $28.2 billion.

''Petroleum firms - attracted by host government incentives and potentially exploitable oil and gas reserves than those in the United States - have been increasing their overseas spending, relative to their domestic spending, for exploration and development,'' the government said.

''Manufacturers have been attracted by several favorable conditions abroad: increasing economic integration in the European Communities, movement toward market-oriented economic systems in Eastern Europe, an improved investment climate in Latin America, and rapid economic growth in East Asia,'' the government said.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 2) UPI - A Soviet lawmaker warned Tuesday of a ''mutiny of the naked'' by consumers angry about shortages of clothes and other goods that, at present rates of growth, may not be resolved until the middle of the 21st century.

In another sign of the severity of the Soviet Union's economic crisis, government clerical workers got orders to pick potatoes in fields surrounding Moscow. The Soviet oil minister resigned in frustration over the fall of domestic crude output in recent months, the government newspaper Izvestia said.

Gennady Kiselyov, chairman of the Soviet Parliament's Consumer Goods Committee said that unsatisfied demand for such products now stands at 100 billion rubles - the equivalent of $172 billion - and is on the rise.

''In the stores, both in the capital (Moscow) and in the provinces, there are no suits, jackets, raincoats, ladies' coats, men's shirts, tights, baby carriages, socks, underwear, shoes or hats,'' he said.

At the present rate of development in the light industries that produce consumer goods, the Soviet people's demand for socks would not be fully satisfied until the year 2020, the deputy said. Shoes will not be in ample supply until 2058, he said.

Current clothing production yields one shirt or blouse a year for each of the country's 86 million youth, he said. There is one new coat per 20 pensioners and one suit for 30 retirees.

The central government is having more difficulty pursuing its past policy of filling the consumer market with imported products because its foreign currency holdings have dwindled, Kiselyov said.

''Imports have been sharply reduced,'' he said. ''Our normal reserves (of goods) have already been used up to the sum of over 5 billion rubles ($1.85 billion). To reduce them further, in fact, means to envision a mutiny of the naked.''

Kiselyov's report at a legislative hearing, published in the Communist Party newspaper Pravda, indicated that the Soviet Union's troubled movement from centralized planning to a free-market economy is creating new problems for its already beleaguered consumers.

Workers are leaving light industries for higher-paying jobs with semi-private service cooperatives, Kiselyov said. At the same time, he said, local regions and enterprises exercising their new powers are exporting raw materials for scarce hard currency.

The Central Asian republic of Uzbekistan ''is not completely fulfilling its (quota of) cotton supplies to the state ... not because it has run out, but

because it wants to sell it abroad for hard currency or at greater profit within the Soviet Union,'' Kiselyov said.

Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov, in a nationally televised speech Saturday, warned against economic warfare and said that different regions of the vast country are withholding products from one another in acts of blackmail to get desired goods in return.

Nikolai Lemaev cited similar concerns Monday in disclosing he had resigned his post as oil minister. He said that local authorities now tell oil workers not to obey orders from Moscow and environmental activists demand the closure of refineries.

''There is practically no one left to work,'' Lemaev said. ''Many ministry workers have left for cooperatives or joint ventures (with foreign firms). Those remaining see no future prospects. Society is against them. They do not feel like working. What should the minister do? Hold onto his job?''

Soviet government officials have also their cited old, dilapidated equipment and the lack of money to replace it as another cause of problems in the world's No. 1 oil producer.

With the severe Russian winter approaching, central and local government officials have marshaled their forces to bring in the potato harvest from the Moscow region.

An employee at a Soviet ministry in the capital told United Press International everyone in her office had been directed to come to work at 8 a.m. Wednesday, when a bus was to take them to potato fields outside Moscow.

The Moscow city council asked all area residents to pick potatoes this weekend and said local officials would join the effort. The Moscow Communist Party also urged its members to help in the fall harvest.

Fyodor Synko, deputy premier of Byelorussia, which supplies the Moscow region with about half of its potatoes, said Monday huge amounts of the starchy staple were rotting in fields turned into swamps by recent heavy rainfall. He said that 125,000 schoolchildren were helping to collect the harvest.

An additional 10 percent of the area formerly used for potato growing in his republic, Synko said, cannot be cultivated because the land is contaminated by radiation from the April 1986 explosion at the Chernobyl nuclear power plant just across Byelorussia's border in the neighboring Ukraine.

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''The whole housing sector is sort of in the doldrums, not in the tank, but in the doldrums,'' said Richard Peach, an economist at the Mortgage Bankers Association. ''This is another bit of discouraging news.''

But ''the decline was not that severe given the events in August'' - Iraq, the oil shock and generally higher mortgage rates, Peach said.

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BERLIN (OCT. 2) UPI - A West German Lufthansa airplane with about 100 West German members of Parliament landed in Berlin's Tegel airport Tuesday for the first time since the end of World War II, when air traffic rights were reserved for the victorious allied powers.

In a special flight from the Cologne-Bonn airport, the Boeing 737-300 transported the West German politicians Tuesday morning to Berlin to participate in German unification festivities.

Two other special flights - from Hamburg and the Cologne-Bonn airport - also were scheduled to leave Tuesday for Tegel in the western part of the city.

''Today is a great day,'' said Lufthansa chairman Heinz Ruhnau, as he greeted the airplane in Berlin. ''Berlin has a big future as an air traffic city.''

West German airlines had not been allowed to fly to Berlin since 1945 because the four World War II victorious allied powers - Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States - had reserved all rights for air traffic to Berlin for their own airlines.

With the reunification of East and West Germany, the four allied powers relinguished their occupation rights in Berlin, allowing Lufthansa to resume flights to the city in which it was born in 1926.

Daily flights to Berlin's Tegel and Schoenfeld airport outside the eastern part of the city will start Oct. 28. In the year 2000, about 20 million passengers are expected to take off from Berlin, the largest city between Paris and Moscow.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Reading Down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Algonquin Mercantile (4 Mos 7-29)	
$103,846,000	$117,912,000
d-$710,000	a-$2,615,000 (.78)

d-Deficit, after $2,367,000 on investments.
a-Includes $6,375,000 gain mainly from the sale of the company's interest in Balfour Forest Products Inc.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Century Medicorp (Year 6-30)	
$59,610,411	$43,760,567

$1,745,013 (.38) $606,542 (.15)

Cintax Corp (1st Q 8-31)
$76,356,000 $65,940,000
$7,133,000 (.50) $5,931,000 (.42)

Pioneer Fed Bancorp (3rd Q 8-31)
....
$1,321,000 (.57) a-$466,000
a-The company didn't disclose year-ago per-share firgures; it converted to stock ownership from mutual ownership in July.

Village Super Mkt (4th Q 7-28)
$184,482,000 $181,619,000
$1,025,000 (.34) $1,281,000 (.39)

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(OCT. 2) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen r	1pm	54	12
Amsterdam cy	1pm	60	16
Ankara c	3pm	75	24
Athens c	2pm	80	27
Auckland pc	12m	54	12
Beijing cy	8pm	67	19
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin hz	1pm	51	10
Bonn cy	1pm	59	15
Brussels cy	1pm	57	14
Cairo pc	2pm	83	28
Casablanca c	12n	77	25
Copenhagen cy	1pm	56	13
Dakar pc	12n	56	13
Dublin r	1pm	59	15
Geneva c	1pm	65	18
Helsinki pc	2pm	46	08
Hong Kong cy	8pm	81	27
Jerusalem pc	2pm	74	23
Karachi c	5pm	89	32
Lisbon c	1pm	73	23
London cy	1pm	66	19
Madrid pc	1pm	65	18
Malta pc	1pm	79	26

Manila cy	8pm	81	27
Moscow cy	3pm	41	05
Nairobi pc	3pm	78	26
Nassau pc	7am	80	26
New Delhi c	6pm	89	31
Nice c	1pm	74	23
Oslo cy	1pm	48	09
Paris c	1pm	67	19
Pretoria c	2pm	82	28
Riyadh	3pm	98	37
Rome cy	1pm	77	25
Seoul c	9pm	61	16
Sofia pc	2pm	74	24
Stockholm cy	1pm	51	11
Sydney cy	10pm	59	15
Taipei r	8pm	74	23
Tokyo c	9pm	72	22
Tunis pc	1pm	87	31
Vienna pc	1pm	63	17
Warsaw	1pm	-	-

Latin America

Buenos Aires pc	9am	64	18
Caracas	8am	-	-
Havana c	7am	74	23
Lima cy	7am	61	16
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	74	24
Santiago cy	8am	47	09

Canada

Calgary cy		72	22
Edmonton pc		59	15
Montreal cy		54	12
Ottawa r		54	12
Regina r		68	19
Toronto c		58	14
Vancouver cy		64	17
Winnipeg cy		67	19

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow

w-windy

-30- 2317
#90275u1070 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
BERLIN (OCT. 2) UPI - A West German Lufthansa airplane with about 100 West German members of Parliament landed in Berlin's Tegel airport Tuesday for the first time since the end of World War II, when air traffic rights were reserved for the victorious allied powers.

In a special flight from the Cologne-Bonn airport, the Boeing 737-300 transported the West German politicians Tuesday morning to Berlin to participate in German unification festivities.

Two other special flights - from Hamburg and the Cologne-Bonn airport - also were scheduled to leave Tuesday for Tegel in the western part of the city.

''Today is a great day,'' said Lufthansa chairman Heinz Ruhnau, as he greeted the airplane in Berlin. ''Berlin has a big future as an air traffic city.''

West German airlines had not been allowed to fly to Berlin since 1945 because the four World War II victorious allied powers - Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States - had reserved all rights for air traffic to Berlin for their own airlines.

With the reunification of East and West Germany, the four allied powers relinguished their occupation rights in Berlin, allowing Lufthansa to resume flights to the city in which it was founded in 1926.

Daily flights to Berlin's Tegel and Schoenfeld airport outside the eastern part of the city will start Oct. 28. In the year 2000, about 20 million passengers are expected to depart from Berlin, the largest city between Paris and Moscow.

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#90275u1074 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 2) UPI - The death toll is now put at 120 in the hijacking of a domestic airline flight in China. Survivors are quoted as saying there was a fight in the cockpit as the Boeing 737 was landing at the Canton airport. The aircraft bounced off two other jetliners and exploded in a ball of flame. One American... a woman identified only as Erin Thomas, possibly from Oklahoma... survived. She is in a Canton hospital. A second unidentifed American woman is missing.

It may be several days or possible weeks before the exact cause of a suspected mass food poisoning is known in Chicago. As many as 155 people attending a hardware company convention were treated at various Chicago hospitals and at

least 35 are still hospitalized. They were overcome at various times yesterday at different hotels in downtown Chicago. All of them had attended a so-called ''open dinner'' Sunday night.

Senate Republican embraced the bipartisan budget deficit-cutting package, but conservative G-O-P House members rebelled, charging that the plan will cost the nation jobs and weaken the economy. The package cuts the deficit by 500-BILLION dollars during the next five years through a combination of tax hikes and spending cuts. House G-O-P leader Newt Gingrich of Georgia said- quoting now- ''we need to do better than this.''

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CHICAGO (OCT. 2) UPI - Weather conditions provided underlying support for the grain market Tuesday, although the early trading was relatively quiet.

Grain and soybean futures were mostly higher at midmorning on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Forecasters called for rain over wide areas of the Midwest for a couple of days which could interrupt the corn and soybean harvest. Country movement is relatively light, even though harvest activity is picking up.

Professionals and commission houses were featured buyers across the floor. Some of the demand was linked to ideas that Monday's losses were overdone.

The weekly crop reports indicated a slight improvement in the condition of the corn and soybean crops.

Wheat rallied on fairly good buying interest in the wake of Monday's contract lows.

Interior and Gulf basis levels were mixed.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.24 1/2 up 1 1/2; Mar 2.34 up 1 1/4; May 2.39 3/4 up 1 1/2.

Soybeans Nov 6.05 1/4 up 3/4; Jan 6.20 1/4 up 3/4; Mar 6.33 1/2 up 1; May 6.43 1/2 up 1 3/4.

Wheat Dec 2.69 up 1 1/4; Mar 2.83 up 1 3/4; May 2.90 3/4 up 1 1/4.

Oats Dec 1.20 3/4 up 1 1/2; Mar 1.31 up 1 1/2; May 1.37 1/2 up 1.

-30- 1348

#90275u1082 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 2) UPI - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu arrived in Cairo today to open a seven-day trip through five of the front-line states in the Persian Gulf crisis. Kaifu will visit Egypt, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Oman and Turkey. He is expected to focus on Japanese aid to the states that are bearing the economic brunt of the sanctions against Iraq. Japan already has pledged a two-BILLION-dollar aid package to the nations.

If you love lobster you may want to head to Maine, if you are NOT there already. Over-supply and weak demand have combined to drive lobster prices in Maine to their lowest levels in years. Some retail markets in Portland, Maine, are quoting prices of one dollar 99 cents a pound for soft-shell lobster. And some restaurants are offering lobster dinners for under six dollars.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Amer Cap Fedl Mtg	M	.0965	10-31	10-31
Amer Cap TxEx Ins Mun	M	.06	10-31	10-31
Am Rest Ptnr LP A	Q	.37 1/2	10-31	10-12
Blackstone Adv Term	M	.0813	10-31	10-12
Blackstone Income	M	.08 3/4	10-31	10-15
Blackstone Target	M	.0792	10-31	10-15
Liberty Homes clA	Q	.06	11-14	10-15
Liberty Homes clB	Q	.05	11-14	10-15
MFS Govt Mkts Inco	M	.098	10-31	10-15
MFS Interm Inco	M	.08 3/4	10-31	10-15
MFS Multimkt Inc	M	.10 1/4	10-31	10-15
MFS Muni Inco Tr	M	.063	10-31	10-15
MFS Special Value	M	.13 3/4	10-31	10-15
Nuv CA PfrPls Muni	M	.08 1/2	11-1	10-15
Nuv CA Muni Mkt Opp	M	.08 1/2	11-1	10-15
Nuveen CA Muni Inco	M	.065 1/2	11-1	10-15
Nuveen Inv Quality Mu	M	.089	11-1	10-15
Oxford Industries	Q	.12 1/2	12-1	11-15
Production Operator	Q	.04	11-15	10-15
Penn Square Mutual	Q	.11	10-26	10-1
Prud Intermed Inco	M	.07	10-26	10-12
State St Exch Fd	Q	.70	10-19	10-10

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.40-2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 131.63-135.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 45.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $459.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 280.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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#90275u1143 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (OCT. 2) UPI - New IBP Inc. meatpacking plants in Nebraska and Iowa will help the U.S. meat industry meet the growing demand for high- quality beef and pork in Japan, company Chairman Robert Peterson said Tuesday.

Peterson told reporters a Lexington, Neb., plant would give IBP the capability to produce beef products specifically for the Japanese.

The Lexington plant, scheduled to open later this fall, would supplement exports by IBP's other beef facilities, including part of its headquarters Dakota City, Neb., beef-packing complex that produces a variety of special cuts in accordance with Japanese specifications.

IBP, the largest U.S. exporter of red meat and meat by-products, opened a new pork-packing complex in Waterloo, Iowa, last May.

The Waterloo plant would help IBP meet Japanese demand for high quality, boneless pork loins, Peterson said.

Pork consumption has doubled in Japan since 1965. In the same period, beef demand has grown 350 percent, IBP said.

Peterson said U.S. suppliers would have complete access to the Japanese market for the first time in April 1991, when Japanese import quotas are abolished.

''IBP will be in position to make the most of this opportunity because of the quality product we market and the progressive service we provide our international customer base,'' he said. ''Capital investments will continue to be made in modern refrigeration, packaging, and other technology to ensure we continue to meet our customer needs.''

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STRASBOURG, FRANCE (OCT. 2) UPI - Hungarian Prime Minister Jozsef Antall hinted Tuesday that he would like to see his country join NATO and threatened to withdraw Hungary from the Warsaw Pact if the organization is not abolished by the end of next year.

Antall made his comments during a news conference following a unanimous vote by the Council of Europe's Parliamentary Assembly urging that Hungary become the first former Eastern European country to be admitted to its ranks.

The Council of Europe, which regroups the democratic governments of the continent, drew up the European Declaration of Human Rights as well as declarations on the rights of migrant workers and on the repression of terrorism. It carries out a wide array of cooperation programs among its members in all areas except defense.

''If the Warsaw Pact is not liquidated between now and the end of next year, we will leave it,'' Antall said.

Asked if we would like to see Hungary become a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, the prime minister replied:

''I am a convinced partisan of the Atlantic idea. During two world wars it as proven that the fate of Europe is linked to that of the United States.''

But he added he did not think joining NATO would be possible for at least two to three years and admitted with a smile that NATO may not be eager to invite Hungary to its ranks.

Earlier, in a speech to the Council of Europe's assembly, Antall announced that his country would sign the European Declaration of Human Rights.

''Today Hungary has a president of the republic, a government, and local authorities that have been freely and democratically elected,'' he said.

''It also has a multi-party parliament that works and that in the past few months has given the country a new constitution.''

The assembly vote urged the European foreign ministers that make up the 23-member Council to admit Hungary ''without further delay.'' The foreign ministers are expected to approve Hungary's application when they meet in Rome Nov. 5.

During the assembly's debate Tuesday, the body's Judiciary Committee questioned whether Hungary's fast-growing unemployment rate could not lead to the return of an authoritarian form of government.

But other speakers, recalling the anti-Communist revolution of 1956, argued that the European community should have faith in the Hungarian people.

Unemployment in Hungary is expected swell to between 80,000 and 100,000 by the end of the year as a result of structural adjustments in the economy.

In his speech before the assembly Antall said his country intends to sign the European Declaration of Human Rights, predicting it would be ratified by the Hungarian parliament within one year.

He also said his country ''is firmly determined to contribute in constructive and exemplary manner to the resolution of the problems of minority populations both within and outside its frontiers.''

Hungary, with the largest Jewish population in Eastern Europe, has been the scene of anti-Semitism sentiment that is sweeping the former Moscow satellites.

Antall said his country intended to contribute to the construction of a united Europe and said it hoped to become an associate member of the 12-nation European Community.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Arnold Schoenberg's ''Moses und Aron,'' the sacred monster of modern opera, gets an outstandingly effective first New York staging at the New York City Opera, a company that is blossoming under the direction of Christopher Keene.

Keene conducts Schoenberg's difficult 12-tone score, once the bete noire of opera orchestras, so cogently that its brilliant instrumentation and many passages of transparent beauty are fully realized for audiences traditionally reluctant to sit through an evening of Schoenberg's music. The cast is equally compelling.

This is certainly an opera worth experiencing before its last performance at New York State Theater Oct. 12. It is a recreation of the 1978 Cologne Opera staging, the first to capture the theatricality of this Biblical work completed by Schoenberg, an Austrian musical maverick, in 1932 but not sung in public until 1954 and not staged until 1957.

The Cologne team of director Hans Neugebauer, set and costume designer Achim Freyer and lighting designer Hans Toelstede have created a uniquely imaginative work in the confines of what appears to be a huge barn with a rear door that profers a glimpse of the Promised Land.

The entire production - sets, modern dress costumes, and makeup - is the color of desert sand, with one exception. It is the red of blood that spurts from the necks of four nude virgins sacrificed during an occasionally frenzied religious orgy inspired by Aron's unveiling of the Golden Calf for the Children of Israel.

The Israelites make up a chorus that carries much of the opera's musical message. They are weary of waiting for the visionary Moses to clarify the superior qualities of his unseeable, unknowable, intangible Jehovah over their old pantheon of gods worshiped as idols. The Golden Calf represents compromise between the ideal and the practical.

The theological debate between Moses and his brother Aron, who acts as salesman for the the new deity because of Moses' inability to express himself in public, is the crux of the opera. Thanks to surtitles translating the German text, the audience is able to follow its intellectual argument with understanding, without which ''Moses und Aron'' would be a trying experience indeed.

Moses, given a monumental performance by baritone Richard Cross, declaims his lines lumberingly in what Schoenberg called ''sprechstimme'' or speak-sing. Aron is mellifluously sung by Thomas Young, a tenor of impressive talent who

is given the more theatrical role as a sort of theological con man.

The City Opera chorus, beautifully prepared by chorus master Joseph Colaneri, deserves the highest praise for coping masterfully with some of the most difficult music ever written for the operatic stage.

Some choristers sing onstage and others from the orchestra pit covered by scrim to keep the audience's eyes from straying from the stage's sun-burnished rectangle where a moral dilemma as ancient as man is being enacted.

This is a two-hour, two-act opera. Schoenberg intended a third act for which he wrote the text but not the music.

As the opera stands, it ends with Moses destroying the tablets of God's law, lamenting the impossibility of his mission, instead of the more optimistic third act ending in which Moses declares that the Israelites will complete their mission - ''Unity with God.''

Despite the downbeat ending of this unfinished opera, ''Moses und Aron'' is one of the musical treasures of the 20th century which has more of a future than it has had a past.

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#90275u1167 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 2) UPI - An association of Polish electric utilities has selected a consortium led by Westinghouse Electric Corp. to conduct a $3 million study to evaluate the potential for modernizing Poland's fossil-fueled power plants, Westinghouse said Tuesday.

Westinghouse, through its Power Generation Business Unit in Orlando, Fla., will manage the study of several power plants to determine how to improve their efficiency, output and environmental performance, the company said.

The study will take about six months to complete. Recommended changes could take 10 years or more to implement and be a source of significant future business to the consortium, spokesmen said.

The consortium is composed of Westinghouse and three prominent Polish companies - Mera, an instrumentation and control supplier; Rafako, a leading boiler manufacturer; and Elektro-Mantaz Export, a noted electrical manufacturer and erector of power generating equipment.

The Trade and Development Program, a U.S. government agency, is supporting the study with a $2 million grant to Poland.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door unchanged.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 66-69.

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#90275u1198 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
BERLIN (OCT. 2) UPI - Thousands of Berliners, visitors, artists, street vendors and police thronged the Brandenburg Gate for Tuesday's unification celebrations.

Bright sunshine greeted the crowds as they ambled under the arches of the famous gate a few hours before the celebrations were scheduled to kick off.

At the stroke of midnight, the black, red and gold flag under which Germans will reunite was to be hoisted in front of West Berlin's Reichstag to mark the end of more than four decades of division.

In sight of the Reichstag, the former German Parliament building, an organ grinder stood on the western side of the Brandenburg Gate playing a tune he said he renamed ''We celebrate German unity.''

''I can remember how the song went. We usually sang, 'The small comrades starve while the big ones celebrate,''' he said, grining and pointing to where the Berlin Wall used to prevent him from crossing to East Berlin.

Many in Europe have feared the unification of Germany, remembering the aggressor nation that fought two world wars this century. Many in Germany, even if they embrace unification, express the same sort of fear.

''I feel particularly good. ... but I hope that Germany will not become a mighty nation again,'' said West Berlin artist Eberhard Franke, 59.

Tom Hoover, 22 of Los Gatos, Calif., does not believe it will.

''Before I got here, I had mixed emotions about the whole thing. Now I'm very happy about it. It's a very good thing to see all these happy people,'' said Hoover, who is vacationing through Europe after completing his studies in political science.

''It will probably be the most historic thing I'll ever witness,'' he said.

Several visitors sported East German or Soviet military caps, sold by curbside vendors whose displays also include the East German flag, which was to be lowered for the last time Tuesday.

Vendors also reported a booming trade in what were claimed to be fragments of the wall, some of which appeared to be freshly painted.

On the eastern side of the gate - long a symbol of the city's division - a hot air balloon lay ready for takeoff later in the evening, its basket bedecked with the European and German flags as well as those of Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States.

Those are the four major wartime Allies who have officially relinquished their occupational rights, returning full sovereignty to the united Germany.

A crane held aloft a Trabant, a small two-stroke East German car that for many has come to symbolize the state that will now disappear.

A few yards away, hundreds of food and drink kiosks, open-air music and theater stands and powerful spotlights were set for the ''festival of German unity.''

Thousands of security forces, many in riot gear, positioned themselves along East Berlin's famed Unter den Linden avenue, around the Reichstag and at other key spots around the city.

Officials feared celebrations could be marred by clashes between West Berlin's notorious leftists, known as ''chaotics,'' and neo-Nazi ''skinheads.''

In both East and West Berlin, posters plastered on walls called for anti-unification protests under the motto ''Germany, shut up.''

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#90275u1212 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

ILLEREICHEN, GERMANY (OCT. 2) UPI - The vast majority of Germans are happy about the country's unification and believe it will promote European unity, a poll released Tuesday said.

The Wickert Institute, a West German public opinion institute, said it questioned 7,044 adults in 422 cities and towns in East and West Germany Sept. 7-27 in what it called the first such extensive all-German poll since the end of World War II.

The results contradicted those of another recent poll that indicated Germans were growing cool toward unification. The Wickert Institute said its findings were that 87.7 percent of Germans in East and West were happy about

unification, which was to occur just after midnight Tuesday.

Another large majority, 92.3 percent, said unification would promote the growing together of European nations, and 88.3 percent said it would help reduce tension in Europe and the world.

Germans also were optimistic about the future, with 79.3 percent saying unification in the long run would bring more advantages to them personally than disadvantages. Seventy-eight percent thought that, within five years, there will be little difference economically between East and West Germany. Ninety percent believed the mark, Germany's currency, will remain strong.

On relations with the United States, 85.7 percent were convinced that friendship with the United States ''is of great importance'' for Germany.

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#90275u1224 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

SIDON, LEBANON (OCT. 2) UPI - Guerrillas loyal to PLO chief Yasser Arafat discovered a booby-trapped car that was set to go off in a crowded vegetable market Tuesday, security sources said.

The sources said members of the Palestine Liberation Organization's mainstream Fatah group questioned four occupants of a German-made BMW car as they parked the vehicle at the entrance of the crowded place in the refugee camp of Ein El Helweh on the outskirts of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut.

During a heated conversation, one of the gunmen in the car opened fire, prompting Arafat's men to fire back instantly killing him and wounding his three other companions, the sources said.

Fatah guerrillas, after discovering device-equipped bombs set to go off in the car, pulled the vehicle to an open area, put the body of the gunman inside it and blew it up, the sources said.

The sources said the four gunmen were members of the renegade Palestinian group Al Fatah-Revolutionary Council of Abu Nidal.

Abu Nidal broke away from Arafat's Fatah 17 years as a result of a power struggle.

Arafat's followers have recently dealt Abu Nidal's men a harsh blow in several rounds of violence in Lebanon.

Papal Nuncio Pablo Puente, meanwhile, said he would exert fresh peace-seeking efforts with rival Christian leaders, pro-Syrian President Elias Hrawi and rebel Gen. Michel Aoun in a bid to spare Lebanon more bloodshed.

''I ask for 48 hours to meet Hrawi and Aoun to reach a settlement that may not be ideal, but could stop this cycle of painful and insane death,'' Puente said at a news conference held at the Papal Embassy in Harissa, northeast of Beirut.

Puente expressed deep sorrow over the death of 25 people who were slain in East Beirut Monday while protesting a five-day government siege on Aoun's 100-square-mile turf.

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#90275u1227 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

BERLIN (OCT. 2) UPI - A lone bugler sounded the end of 45 years of Allied occupation of West Berlin Tuesday, Germany's final day as a divided nation.

The West German airline Lufthansa flew to Berlin for the first time since World War II, ferrying in parliamentary deputies for the unification ceremonies that were to culminate in the formal reunion of East and West Germany just after midnight.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl - as of Wednesday, the chancellor of all of Germany - flew in from Hamburg after a triumphant election as head of the merged Christian Democratic parties of the two nations.

The moment of unification was to be heralded by the midnight ringing of the Freedom Bell - cast in the image of Philadelphia's Liberty Bell - in what has been West Berlin since the end of World War II.

That was to be followed by fireworks, public festivals and private parties throughout the new single nation and a national holiday on Wednesday.

Thousands of Berliners, visitors, artists, street vendors and police thronged the Brandenburg Gate, long the symbol of a divided city, under bright sunshine Tuesday in readiness for the celebrations. Vendors reported a booming trade in what were claimed to be fragments of the dismantled Berlin Wall, though some appeared to be freshly painted.

In sight of the Reichstag, the former German Parliament building, an organ grinder stood on the western side of the Brandenburg gate playing a traditional tune he said he renamed ''We celebrate German unity.''

''I feel particularly good,'' said Eberhard Franke, 59, a West Berlin native who added he will never forget that for half his life he could not visit friends in East Berlin.

But in a comment that reflected a nagging worry in some minds in Germany and the rest of Europe as unification approached, he added, ''I hope that Germany will not become a mighty nation again.''

Guenther Grass, a leading West German author, was one of the few voices dissenting from the widespead optimism.

''This unification is ugly. It divides,'' Grass said in an address at the Reichstag, which was to be the focus of ceremonies marking the end of more than four decades of German division.

Grass warned that the economically powerful unified nation could pose a serious threat to its neighbors and that East Germans would become ''perpetual underdogs and second-class citizens'' in a united Germany.

''Should the world fear Germany again? No longer in military terms, but certainly in economic terms,'' he said.

The unification was formally an incorporation of the East German state into the existing West German federal republic, putting West German law in force in what had been East German territory. The West German Parliament, expanded with East German members, will govern until all-German elections in December.

The separate Germanys were created in the aftermath of Nazi Germany's surrender in World War II. The capitalist West Germany and West Berlin, an enclave in East Germany's heart, were crafted from the zones of occupation controlled by the United States, Britain and France. The communist East, including East Berlin, were formed from turf controlled by the other major victor, the Soviet Union.

As anti-Communist fervor swept Eastern Europe last year, a headlong rush to unification began with the fall of the Communist government and the breaching of the Berlin Wall. It accelerated with increasingly evident collapse of the East German economy.

On July 1, the economies of the two states were united as the West German deutsche mark replaced the ost mark as the legal currency in the East.

The merger is already causing wrenching economic, political and social changes in both halves of the new nation. East German factories are closing and unemployment is skyrocketing as government subsidies end and industry is forced to make it on its own in a free market.

The post-war American, British and French occupation of West Berlin, being terminated as part of the agreement that led to unification, ended Tuesday when the flags of the three nations were lowered and a bugle sounded at a final parade of the Allied Kommandatura.

''We want you to know that history will praise your achievements. You will not be forgotten,'' the U.S. commander in Berlin, Maj. Gen. Raymond Haddock, told the assembled troops.

''The Allies leave not as occupiers, but as partners,'' West Berlin mayor Walter Momper said in a speech.

Although the formal occupation is over, Allied troops will remain in Berlin during a transition period until Soviet troops leave what was formerly East German soil.

Authorities mobilized 15,000 police and border troops in Berlin Tuesday, fearing clashes during the unification celebration between notorious leftist and neo-Nazi groups.

The first trouble erupted Monday night in simultaneous firebomb attacks on the huge KaDeWe department store in West Berlin and the conterpart Centrum store in East Berlin.

Police said both stores were extensively damaged, but nobody injured.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - One American woman is known to have survived a air hijacking that turned into a major tragedy in China earlier today. Witnesses said the Boeing 737 was turned into a ''crematorium'' after it crashed and burned while landing at the Canton airport, apparently after a fight between the crew and the hijackers.

Warning shots were fired in the Middle East today by a French frigate looking for violators of the U-N trade embargo against Iraq. Sources say the French ship fired warning shots across the bow of the North Korean merchant ship that refused to stop for inspection. The French ship first issued a verbal warning.
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The action took place off Djibouti on Africa's east coast, in the strait connecting the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden. After the warning shots, the North Korean ship stopped and an inspection team boarded the vessel. It was NOT immediately clear what cargo the ship contained.

East and West Germany cease to exist at one minute past midnight tomorrow morning and a unified Germany will take their place. Chancellor Kohl already has pledged that the unified nation will be dedicated to peace and democracy and will be a good neighbor to other European nations. .

The 12-nation European Community is ready to welcome the 16-Million residents of East Germany. The E-C already has adopted a number of temporary emergency measures to help speed German unification, including exemption from some environmental laws.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) UPI - Congress's adjournment express is picking up speed day by day and threatening to derail major legislation in its headlong rush to end the session.

The target date for wrapping up the 101st Congress appears to be Oct. 19, just about the latest members up for re-election can wait before hitting the campaign trail full time before the Nov. 6 election. All 435 House seats, plus one-third of the Senate, are at stake in the voting.

The last three weeks of a session, often the graveyard for legislation, are a fertile period for opponents who can stymie bills with a filibuster, refusal to negotiate a compromise or a variety of parliamentary delaying tactics.

In addition, several major measures that could determine success or failure for the 101st Congress are under the threat of a veto by President Bush.

The problems are compounded this year by the fixation on the $500 billion budget agreement that, if approved, will force Congress to concentrate on legislation to implement the five-year package of spending cuts and tax increases.

Sen. Steve Symms, R-Idaho, gave a perfect example Tuesday of the pitfalls that await bills in the closing weeks of a session.

Symms, objecting to action on a bill to control money-laundering, pointed to the budget mess and said, ''We really don't have the time to be talking about a money-laundering or any other bill of this importance.''

Yet, the final weeks of a Congress are also conducive to last-minute rescues of bills, written off as dead for the year. To date, Democratic leaders have not given up on any of the big bills:

Civil rights - Despite continued veto threats, Senate and House negotiators have a compromise on the civil rights bill that reverses Supreme Court decisions on discrimination in the workplace and caps damage payments. Prospects for the bill are rated excellent.

Crime - The Senate has passed a sweeping anti-crime bill that greatly expands the death penalty, bans some assault weapons and makes other major changes. The House so far has failed to act. The best shot, if there is any, is a bill that only includes parts of the anti-crime package.

Child care - Legislation to help working families get child care assistance has been in conference since last year. Negotiators are virtually finished although there is still disagreement on financing the program. Hopes for a resolution are still alive.

Clean air - Negotiators have been working steadily to find a compromise on legislation to cut back air pollution. Bush and most members want a bill before adjournment, giving the measure a good shot at enactment.

Housing - The Senate and House have passed sweeping reforms of the nation's housing laws and have started negotiations on a common bill. The prospects for agreement and passage are rated good.

Political campaign reform - Legislation to revamp campaign financing is hung up on a partisan dispute over candidate spending levels. The chances for this bill are considered nil.

The adjournment rush has already taken a toll.

Hosue Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said Sunday that, due to the press of other business, the House would not act this year on the ''Brady bill'' legislation to require a week's waiting period before a person could buy a handgun.

And last week, filibusters claimed four major bills and there is little hope they can be resurrected before adjournment.

The Senate refused to kill talkathons blocking extension of a 20-year program of helping poor pregnant women with counseling; legislation to increase voter turnout by requiring states to mail registration forms with car registration renewal notices; and a bill to require car manufacturers to make models that get better gas mileage.

A mere objection by Sen. Timothy Wirth, D-Colo., killed for this year a bill to curb the rising rates charged viewers by cable television companies.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Supreme Court nominee David Souter faces his final Senate test today when the full chamber begins its confirmation proceedings. Souter is expected to sail through. The Senate Judiciary Committee approved Souter's nomination on a 13-1 vote last week.

A multi-state task force has been set up to see if there is any common link in the deaths of 10 men from Indianapolis whose bodies have been found in rural areas of Ohio and Indiana over the past decade. Most of the victims were said to be homosexuals. Seven of the 10 had been strangled.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board's policy-making committee met Tuesday and economists expected the powerul panel will act to lower interest rates after the agreement to slash the federal budget becomes law.

Although the final decision of the Federal Open Market Committee will be kept secret until after the next scheduled meeting Nov. 13, lower rates could become a reality in a matter of days on everything from mortgages to credit cards.

The minutes of FOMC are routinely kept under wraps until for about six weeks in an effort not to influence financial markets.

''We think they're probably talking in terms of a directive that will be biased toward easing, but it'll probably have a lot of conditions on it,'' such as passage of the $500 billion budget pact, said Robert Dieli, an economist at Northern Trust in Chicago.

Dieli also said the Fed is taking another ''environmental factor'' into account - the Iraq crisis.

Norman Robertson, chief economist at Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh, agreed.

''I suspect might wait until the budget deficit reduction package has passed the Congress and they might ease policy a notch,'' Robertson said, adding the Fed is awaiting the latest unemployment figures, set for release Friday, before taking action.

Most analysts predict a September jobless rate of 5.7 percent - an increase over the August rate of 5.6 percent.

Samuel Kahan, an economist at Fuji Securities in Chicago, said it appeared the Federal Reserve may have already started adding reserves to the monetary system Tuesday in an effort to lower rates.

''I kind of think they move already,'' Kahan said.

But Norman Mains, chief economist for Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards of Los Angeles, said in an interview on the Financial News Network, ''I don't really expect the Federal Reserve ... will take any meaningful move.''

''You may get some sort of token kind of move out of them in the next two or three weeks, to largely sort of put down their critics in Congress,'' Mains said. ''But other than that it's business as usual.''

Mickey Levy, chief economist at CRT Government Securities in New York, also in an interview with FNN, called the budget accord ''very, very disappointing,'' but he also anticipates slightly lower rates.

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LINCOLN, Neb. (OCT. 2) UPI - Duncan Aviation and Rinaldo Piaggio S.p.A. of Genoa, Italy, announced an agreement Tuesday for co-production of an Italian turboprop aircraft, probably at Duncan's plant in Lincoln.

Duncan President Robert Duncan announced at a news conference that the two firms plan to work together to produce the Avanti P180.

The partnership has tentatively targeted Lincoln as the location for final assembly and completion of the aircraft. Final selection is contingent upon approval of an application for Community Development Block Grants and loans and training funds through the city, Lancaster County, the Lincoln Airport Authority and the state.

The fuselage of the plane will be manufactured in Wichita, Kan., while the wings will be manufactured in Genoa, where Piaggio is based. The balance of the components will come from other vendors, with the final assembly in Lincoln, Duncan said.

The firms plan for assembly of the aircraft to begin in 1991 and 36 aircraft could be assembled a year by 1994. Duncan said his firm will expand its workforce by 200 technical employees.

''Duncan has all the ingredients we need for a North American partner,'' Rinaldo Piaggio, president of the firm, said in a statement released at the news conference. He was to announce the venture later Tuesday at a news conference in New Orleans.

The P180, which costs about $4 million apiece, is extremely fuel efficient. Duncan said it can travel 1,800 nautical miles without refueling, and therefore can fly from Lincoln to anywhere in the United States non-stop.

The planes travel at near jet-speed at 400 nautical miles an hour, but use half the amount of fuel a jet uses, he said. The planes are just starting to be sold to corporations.

Duncan said Lincoln was selected for the assembly plant because the city has a healthy business community and because of state tax incentives under the state's Employment and Investment Growth Act.

He also credited the Legislature for making technical changes to the state income tax code to allow the purchase of an aircraft in Nebraska without paying sales taxes if it is to be flown out of the state within 10 days.

Gov. Kay Orr, who attended the news conference, said Duncan's entrepreneurial spirit helped bring the assembly plant to Lincoln.

Mayor Bill Harris said landing the plant was part of the concept of an international partnership the city is trying to form.

The manufacturing partnershp is the first such venture for the Duncan firm, which was among several alternatives for the partnership with Piaggio. Wichita was reported to be competing with Lincoln.

''I am proud to play a part in the assembly and introduction of the Avanti P180,'' Duncan said. ''The P180 is a significant engineering achievement and will serve corporate operators for many years to come.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - NBC was back on top of the ratings chart for the second week of the new season - after CBS took the opening week - and ABC's ''Twin Peaks'' failed to pique the interest of the Sunday movie audience, it was reported Tuesday.

None of the season's new shows were in the top 10. All were half-hour comedies except ''60 Minutes'' (CBS), which came in No. 2 behind top- ranking ''Cheers' (NBC).

''Twin Peaks,'' the most talked-about, written-about show on network television, made its season debut and came in last in the three-network Sunday movie contest. The Sunday champ was ''Perry Mason: The Case of the Defiant Daughter'' (NBC) in 24th place, followed by ''The Face of Fear'' (CBS), tied for 30th, with ''Twin Peaks,'' tied for 41st.

The PBS Series ''The Civil War'' also was a factor last week.

''PBS averaged seven share points higher than it normally does Monday through Thursday,'' said Curt Block, NBC vice president, media relations. ''We're estimating it took four share points away from the networks. More power to them - it was a terrific show.''

It did not stop NBC from winning, however. In the ratings for the week ending Sept. 30, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., NBC won with a 12.9 rating and a 22 share. CBS was second with a 12.3 rating and a 21 share, edging out ABC which posted a 12.0 rating and a 20 share.

The NBC lead last week was enough to put it ahead in the 2-week-old season-to-date contest, which shows NBC with a 13.2 rating and 22 share, followed by CBS with a 12.9 rating and a 22 share, while ABC has a 12.6 rating and a 21 share.

CBS appears to be making a comeback, however, according to David Poltrack,

senior vice president, planning and research, CBS/Broadcast Group, who said:

''CBS's strength is really dramatized when you compare each network's season-to-date performance with its performance in the fourth quarter of 1989.''

He said 64 percent of the programs on the CBS schedule are performing above the time period performance of last fall and 62 percent of the network's returning programs are performing above their 1989 fourth quarter average.

For ABC, Poltrack said, the figures are 38 percent of all programs and 29 percent of returning programs performing above the 1989 time period average. For NBC, he said, 17 percent of all shows are performing above last year's time period average, and none of their 15 returning shows are above last year's average.

As for the new shows, the highest rated is ABC's ''America's Funniest People '' this year's twist on the wildly successful ''Funniest Videos,'' in 13th place.

''Fresh Prince of Bel Air'' (NBC) was next in line among the newcomers, tied for 26th, followed by ''Uncle Buck'' (CBS) and ''Married People'' (ABC), tied for 37th; ''The Trials of Rosie O'Neill'' (CBS), 40th; ''The Flash'' (CBS) and ''Ferris Bueller'' (NBC) tied for 48th; ''Fanelli Boys'' (NBC), 50th; ''American Dreamer'' (NBC), 51st, ''Going Places'' (ABC), tied for 52nd; ''Cop Rock'' (ABC) and ''Get A Life'' (Fox) tied for 56th. A special showing of ''Cop Rock'' came in 82nd.

The other new shows were ''Good Grief'' (Fox), 58th; ''Evening Shade'' (CBS) and ''Gabriel's Fire'' (ABC), tied for 61st; ''Working It Out'' (NBC), 64th; ''Parenthood'' (NBC), 71st; ''Family Man'' (CBS), 78th; ''Lenny'' (CBS), 79th; ''Lifestories'' (NBC), 81st; ''Hull High'' (NBC), ''Babes'' and ''Parker Lewis'' (both Fox), tied for 83rd; ''E.A.R.T.H. Force'' (CBS), 86th; ''True Colors'' (Fox), 87th; ''Against The Law'' (Fox), 92nd; ''DEA'' (Fox), 93rd.

Night-by-night competition saw NBC win Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. CBS won Sunday and Monday and ABC took Wednesday and Friday.

ABC's ''World News Tonight'' was No. 1 for the 38th consecutive week, with a 10.0 rating and a 21 share. ''CBS Evening News'' with Dan Rather moved back into second with an 8.6 rating and an 18 share, while ''NBC Nightly News'' with Tom Brokaw dropped to third with an 8.5 rating and an 18 share.

Each ratings point represents about 921,000 households. A share is the percentage of TV sets in use that are tuned to a particular show or network.

The top 10 programs for the week ending Sunday, Sept. 30, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., were:

1. Cheers (NBC)
2. 60 Minutes (CBS)
3. The Cosby Show (NBC)
4. Murphy Brown (CBS)
5. (tie) Golden Girls (NBC)
6. Designing Women (CBS)
7. Roseanne (ABC)
8. Empty Nest (NBC)
9. America's Funniest Home Videos (ABC)
10. A Different World (NBC)

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WEST BERLIN (OCT. 2) UPI - A leading West German author, speaking hours before the historic merger of East and West Germany, said Tuesday the economically powerful, unified nation could pose a serious threat to its neighbors.

''This unification is ugly, it divides,'' he said in an address at the Reichstag, the former German Parliament that will be the focus of ceremonies marking the overcoming of more than four decades of German division,

Guenter Grass, addressing parliamentarians from the environmentalist, left-leaning Greens party, also warned that when the East German state disappears, absorbed in the republic of its powerful neighbor, East Germans will become ''perpetual underdogs and second class citizens.''

''Without needing to invest, West German businessmen forced East German goods from the market and got the GDR (East Germany) at a bargain basement price,'' he said.

When the East German economy finally recovers from the ruins of 40 years of communism, it will be an economy ''clearly in favor of the West Germans, which can lead to jealousy and hatred'' within Germany, Grass said.

And he warned that similar feelings could arise between Germany and its neighbors.

''Should the world fear Germany again? - No longer in military terms, but certainly in economic terms,'' he said.

Grass, the aging bard of postwar, left-wing Germans, said he was at a loss to describe the exact nature of Germany's new-found power.

''I cannot find a conclusive term for this because here, real hate seldom expresses itself, but rather a kind of bureaucratic coldness that can lead to

inhuman excesses,'' he said.

Once a respected and heeded social critic, Grass admitted he felt events of the last 12 months passed over his head.

He said he considered himself as a critical patriot but that ''in its feeling of renewed power, the new nation will hardly miss such a patriot.''

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OMAHA (OCT. 2) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 1,200; trading on slaughter steers and heifers rather slow; prices both classes firm to 50 higher than Monday; enough slaughter cows or bulls on offer to establish a market; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-4 1100- 1350 lb 77.50-79.00, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 76.50-78.00; holsteins choice No 2- 3 1250-1500 lb 70.00; heifers choice No 2-4 950- 1175 77.50-79.00; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 few boning 52.00-54.00.

Hogs 1,400; butchers 3.00 higher, No 1-3 220- 270 lb 60.50-61.00, many 220-260 lb at outside price; sows 20 percent, 1.00-2.50 higher, many 2.00 up, No 1-3 350-500 lb 49.00-50.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 52.00 52.50.

Sheep 200, slaughter classes steady, shorn slaughter lambs, choice and prime 120-130 lb No 1-2 pelts 50.00-51.00, 100-120 lb 47.00-50.00; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-135 lb 48.00-49.00, 100-120 lb 45.00-48.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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LONDON (OCT. 2) UPI - Stock prices surged Tuesday for the second consecutive trading session on London International Stock Exchange, buoyed by a strong Wall Street opening and by a record-setting rally earlier in Tokyo.

Stocks also closed higher in brisk trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

In London, the blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which jumped 40.6 points Monday, gained another 27.7 points to 2,058.5. The narrower top 30 industrial average jumped 21.7 points to 1,594.7.

Volume amounted to around 430 million shares, well above the 328 million shares changing hands Monday.

Analysts said prices were boosted by the strong performance in Tokyo, where the closely watched Nikkei Average posted its largest single daily advance, surging 2,676.55 points - 13.2 percent - to 22,898.41.

Analysts also said London stocks, particularly blue-chips, were boosted by lower oil prices on world markets.

Market watchers said a deal to reduce the U.S. budget deficit, which could lower interest rates and improve the economic climate there, gave London investors a shot of enthusiasm.

But pessimists noted the question of whether there would be a diplomatic solution in the Persian Gulf or whether there would be a worsening of tensions and possible war continued to hang over the markets.

Chemical giant Imperial Chemical Industries climbed 41 cents to $15.35 while Glaxo, still enjoying the glow of reports it has applied to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for approval to market a new heart drug, rose 54 cents to $14.16.

In a mixed oil sector, Shell gained 8 cents to $8.25 and British Petroleum remained unchnaged at $6.25.

In Frankfurt, stocks closed higher as the German Stock Index, which surged 85.84 points Monday, gained 24.16 more points to 1,444.89, a 1.67 percent advance.

Traders attributed the strong performance of the closely watched index to the rise in Tokyo.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (OCT. 2) UPI - Engineers prepared Tuesday for the overnight start of the shuttle Discovery's countdown to blastoff Saturday, with environmentalists fighting to ground the ship and its nuclear cargo.

Struggling to end a launchless summer of repeated setbacks and delays, engineers at launch pad 39B planned to start Discovery's intricate countdown at 3:30 a.m. EDT Wednesday, 12 hours before the ship's five-man crew was scheduled to arrive at the Kennedy Space Center for final preparations.

With an 80 percent chance of good weather expected, Discovery is scheduled to blast off at 7:35 a.m. Saturday to finally end a five-month launch drought caused by multiple hydrogen fuel leaks that grounded the shuttles Columbia and Atlantis in May, July and September.

Engineers said they have no reason to expect any leaks with Discovery, but they will not know for sure until around midnight Friday, after they begin pumping supercold liquid hydrogen rocket fuel into the shuttle's giant external tank.

Only a handful of problems were under discussion Tuesday, including debate over what to do about a stripped bolt, one of four used to attach cooling lines to the cargo's nuclear generator. It likely will be cleared to fly without being repaired.

The goal of the 36th shuttle mission is the launch of the European- built Ulysses probe, an 850-pound nuclear-powered robot built to fly over the uncharted poles of the sun in a $750 million mission to study Earth's star in three dimensions for the first time.

Ulysses' electrical generator is loaded with 24 pounds of highly- toxic plutonium 238 dioxide. Anti-nuclear activists went to court Friday seeking to ground the mission, saying NASA underestimated the odds of a radiation release in the event of a launch catastrophe.

A hearing is scheduled Thursday before U.S. District Judge Oliver Gasch in Washington and a decision is expected Friday, the same day activists plan to mount a demonstration at the Kennedy Space Center to protest the flight.

A similar legal effort to ground the Galileo Jupiter probe failed last year and NASA officials, who claim the atomic powerpacks are safe, were confident the court would dismiss the action this time around, clearing the way for launch.

At the controls will be commander Richard ''Dick'' Richards, 44, and co-pilot Robert Cabana, 41. Their crewmates are flight engineer William Shepherd, 41, Bruce Melnick, 40, and Thomas Akers, 39.

Assuming an on-time launch, Ulysses, built by the European Space Agency, will be released from Discovery's 60-foot cargo bay at 1:36 p.m. EDT Saturday. A unique three-stage solid-fuel booster is scheduled to fire at 2:42 p.m. to kick off a five-year voyage over the poles of the sun.

To reach such an orbit, Ulysses must first journey to distant Jupiter so it can use the planet's titanic gravity to bend its trajectory down, out of the plane of the solar system and back toward the south pole of the sun.

Data from Ulysses will give scientists their first look at the sun in three dimensions, vastly superior to the limited view available from Earth's orbit about the star's equator.

The probe's launch is a major milestone for the European Space Agency, which originally hoped to get the craft into space in 1986. But the Challenger shuttle disaster grounded the program and along with it, Ulysses.

The launch Saturday is equally important to NASA, which has struggled through a leak-plagued summer of delays amid intense criticism over problems with the

Hubble Space Telescope and the agency's planned space station project.

Discovery made the most recent previous shuttle flight when it carried Hubble into orbit April 24. Since then, four attempts to launch Columbia ended in failure - three because of elusive hydrogen fuel leaks - and Atlantis was grounded in July by a similar problem.

Columbia, still mounted atop launch pad 39A, is scheduled to be moved to Discovery's pad next week for at least two more fueling tests to isolate the crippling leak that has repeatedly delayed the ship's takeoff on an astronomy mission.

The repaired shuttle Atlantis, meanwhile, will be hauled to pad 39A later next week for blastoff around Nov. 7 on a secret military mission. If Columbia's leak can be found and repaired in time, the veteran spaceplane could be ready for a fifth launch attempt in early December.

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WARSAW, POLAND (OCT. 2) UPI - Poland's first general presidential election, perhaps pitting Solidarity founder Lech Walesa against the now politically estranged aide who became prime minister, will be held Nov. 25, it was announced Tuesday.

The speaker of the Sejm, or lower house of Parliament, Mikolaj Kozakiewicz, set the date under the provisions of a new constitutional amendment providing for direct election of the state president, the Polish news agency PAP said.

The legislation was passed by the Sejm last week and approved by the Senate Saturday.

Walesa has already declared his candidacy to replace the former Communist Party leader and current president, Wojciech Jaruzelski. Solidarity Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki has not announced his decision.

Mazowiecki, returning from a visit to the United States Tuesday with no concrete offer of help on Poland's staggering $42 billion debt to the West, refused to say yet if he will run.

''I said I would talk about this issue in Poland, but I don't think I can do it in the first minutes after arrival, because I have to read the documents adopted by the Sejm,'' he told reporters on his arrival at the Warsaw airport.

''I think the time is coming when I will have to pronounce myself on the issue '' he said.

Walesa and Mazowiecki, an intellectual stalwart of the Solidarity movement

during its struggle for recognition in the 1980s, have differed greatly in recent months over the pace of political and economic reform.

Walesa has sought the ouster of Jaruzelski, the last former high- ranking Communist in the government, and also has sought to soften the impact on working people of Poland's wrenching shift from a subsidized but inefficient economy to a free-market system.

Jaruzelski was elected to the presidency by Parliament as part of the 1989 deal between the outgoing Communist regime and Solidarity that also provided for partially free elections.

Although, under the deal, his term would last until 1994, Jaruzelski has agreed to step down in the face of Walesa's demands.

Mazowiecki had been in New York for the U.N. conference on children, but also met with President Bush on the Persian Gulf situation as well as several bilateral issues.

''I did not expect any decisions to be made during that meeting,'' he said. ''I can only say there is an understanding of our situation and of the fact that this (debt) problem is a burden on Poland and that a solution is needed to ease it.''

Adding to its economic burden, Poland is expected to suffer losses of up to $11 billion, mainly due to lost oil deliveries, while adhering to the international embargo against Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait.

The government announced a tenfold jump in international train fares effective Jan. 1 to put them in line with market prices. The fares will be calculated in dollars.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) UPI - As a Supreme Court Justice, David Souter will step into not only a new job but also a new way of life, leaving his rustic New Hampshire homestead for the fishbowl of the nation's capital.

President Bush nominated the scholarly bachelor to become the nation's 105th Supreme Court justice, to take a $118,600-a-year job inside a marble building that is virtually self-sufficient and where everything is aimed at facilitating the work of the nine highest-ranking judges in the land.

Gary Born, a Washington lawyer and former Supreme Court law clerk, likens what Souter faces to ''culture shock.''

''He's coming from a very different background,'' said Born, comparing

Souter's experience to the pre-Supreme Court experience of Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, whose work had been largely in the state courts in Arizona.

But Peter Keisler, a law clerk for Justice Anthony Kennedy during his first term in 1988 and now a practicing lawyer, said the major adjustments Souter faces involve his personal life.

''I don't think the professional transition is difficult at all. I watched Justice Kennedy sail into it like he'd been in it all his life,'' said Keisler. ''For an experienced judge, I think it's not culture shock. The only culture shock is with the Washington culture.''

Initially, Souter will hire a staff of as many as seven people with whom he will spend most of his time: four law clerks, two secretaries and a messenger. Among other duties, the staff takes care of a paper flow generated by some 4,500 cases the court must either hear or reject each year.

Keisler concedes the volume of work Souter will immediately face is probably greater than at the 1st U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals or the New Hampshire Supreme Court, but said much of the difficult work will come later in the term when more opinions are written.

''It's not going to hit him in an extreme way,'' said Keisler. ''It's not like he's going to be sailing into a hurricane.''

And Souter will not be working in a vacuum.

Despite being next door to the Library of Congress, the court has its own library of some 1 million volumes - not to mention a 75-member police force, cafeteria, laundry, woodworking shop and barber shop, most of which will be at Souter's disposal.

''This is a staff of 319, 310 of whom are dedicated to essentially supporting the work of the other nine,'' said Supreme Court spokeswoman Toni House.

Souter will move into the chambers occupied last session by Justice Antonin Scalia, who - by virtue of seniority - has moved into the larger chambers occupied by Justice William Brennan until his retirement this summer.

The three-room chamber - there is a marble fireplace in the justice's office - have been painted antique white, but Souter will select the carpeting and drapery.

It remains unclear exactly when Souter will take his place on the high court, which began its term Monday. The court has no official contact with a nominee until he is confirmed, said House, slowing down the transition.

And there is tradition to be upheld.

''No justice actually sat on the bench without a formal investiture, at least not in this century,'' said House.

The investiture, a gala swearing-in inside the courtroom, is open to invited guests and organized by the chief justice, and normally would take time to prepare, said House. Souter also will take a constitutional oath, probably at the White House.

In the courtroom itself, the next justice's 4 1/2-foot-high mahogany chair has been newly made, but the black leather upholstery has yet to be completed. Brennan's chair will be purchased by the other justices and presented to him as a gift, said House.

The court, too, is facing transition.

Supreme Court justices oversee the 13 federal judicial circuits, roughly by geography, for responsibilities such as deciding whether to grant emergency stays of execution in capital punishment appeals. The court must now redefine which justices are responsible for which circuits, said House.

Also, the seating arrangement for the courtroom itself - based on seniority - has changed due to Brennan's departure. As always, however, the junior justice will be seated farthest from the chief justice on his left.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 2) UPI - Bulk selling prices reported by USDA:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-82; medium 59-65.

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MONROVIA, LIBERIA (OCT. 2) UPI - The West African peacekeeping force in the Liberian capital of Monrovia Tuesday launched heavy artillery attacks on troops of the main rebel leader Charles Taylor.

''We are trying to push back Taylor's men so as to establish a buffer zone between them and the government soldiers, Ghanaian Sergeant Nick Gbedawah said standing at his frontline checkpoint beside the Ministry of Internal Affairs

in Monrovia city center.

Smoke hung over government buildings close to the Executive Mansion from where the remaining soldiers loyal to the late President Samuel Doe also fired rockets at Taylor's position in the east of the city.

Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia forces have attacked the presidential mansion twice in the last two days. The mansion was hit by Taylor's rocket fire Sunday.

Peacekeeping troops of the Economic Community of West African States have separated remnants of Doe's Armed Forces of Liberia and followers of a second rebel leader, Prince Johnson. Johnson's forces, who favor the presence of the peacekeeping force, took control of much of the city center over a month ago.

After a day of heavy street fighting Monday between government soldiers and Johnson's men, the two warring factions now stand within sight of each other's positions in the city center.

Reporters who crossed the buffer zone spoke, for the first time since the death of Doe three weeks ago, to hungry and desperate government soldiers who had gathered fifty yards from Monday's frontline.

A peacekeeping officer briefly addressed the mainly young, nervous fighters asking them to move back to the Barclay military barracks adjacent to the mansion.

''Leave the job here to me and wait for me to establish peace,'' the officer told them, adding, ''I will help to see to your needs. But I demand that the center of the city is ours.''

One government soldier mumbled; ''Death before dishonor'' in his response to the commander's request. But most of his companions seemed willing enough to comply with the demand.

Some of the troops, who refused to give their names, told reporters they would be prepared to lay down their arms in order to achieve a peaceful settlement. But others strongly objected, reflecting the tense relations within the embattled government force after months under siege in the city center.

Up to 20 people die each day from disease and hunger in and around the mansion where people have been killing dogs for food, an expatriate couple living nearby said Tuesday.

Remaining government forces number up to 1,000 soldiers, plus their families, they said.

''They will never run out of ammunition. They have it piled up to the ceiling

in the barracks,'' the couple said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $386.60 silver base of $4.69 and platinum price of $442.00:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$402.50	415.00
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	206.50	212.50
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	106.00	109.30
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.80	45.10
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	402.50	415.00
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	206.60	212.90
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.50	109.80
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	44.00	45.30
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	409.00	421.70
China Panda .50 troy oz.	210.70	217.20
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.30	112.70
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.20	48.70
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.20	29.10
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	402.60	415.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	205.70	212.10
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	106.70	107.10
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	46.10
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	401.60	413.60
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	207.90	213.90
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.70	109.80
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	46.60
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	401.50	413.50
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	206.50	212.60
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.50	90.10
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.80	47.20
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.30	23.90
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.10	$6.14
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,400	$3,420
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,475	$1,500
Platinum		
Australian Koala	464.00	456.00
Isle of Man Noble	453.00	444.00

Canada Maple Leaf 464.00 456.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - The Pentagon today sent the aircraft carrier U-S-S Independence into the dangerous Persian Gulf, where U-S warships have been damaged by Iraqi missiles and Iranian mines in recent years. The Independence is the first carrier sent into the waterway since 1974. It carries a crew of about five-thousand and some 75 combat planes... including F-14 Tomcat and F-A-18 Hornet fighters. A Navy spokesman says the carrier is ''highly defendable''... that there's little risk to the ship. .

Iraq says it is ready to destroy its vast arsenal of chemical weapons and other weapons of mass destruction... if Israel were to do the same. The announcement was one of a string of seemingly conciliatory messages from Iraq since President Saddam Hussein said on Sunday that he's willing to consider a French peace plan calling for the complete withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Two Americans were aboard a hijacked Chinese jetliner that crashed while trying to land at Canton. One of them- Erin Thomas of Oklahoma City- is reported in good condition in a Canton hospital... the other is missing. The Boeing 737 skidded into two other airliners on the tarmac and exploded into a fireball. China's official news agency says at least 120 people were confirmed dead and there are 100 known survivors. The majority of those killed were aboard the hijacked plane.

They started to get sick one by one... then by twos and threes... then by even larger numbers in what eventually became a case of mass food poisoning in Chicago yesterday. Windy City area hospitals report treating more than 150 people who attended a Tru-Value Hardware convention. At least 35 people were admitted for further treatment. They were staying at various hotels but all had attended the same banquet Sunday night. Health officials are checking to see if that dinner was the source of the food poisoning.

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LONDON (OCT. 2) UPI - Amnesty International, in a report to be released Wednesday, condemned Iraq for executing and torturing civilians opposed to its invasion of Kuwait and for human-rights abuses against Western detainees.

The international human-rights watchdog organization said Iraqi troops were

''summarily executing'' Kuwaitis for possession of the Kuwaiti flag or pictures of the deposed emir of Kuwait, or even for failing to follow orders to post photographs of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Iraq overran its tiny neighbor Aug. 2 after a period of building tension over a border and oil dispute. Despite international condemnation and U.N. sanctions, it has since annexed the oil-rich emirate.

The Iraqi military has routinely used torture against detainees, Amnesty International said, detailing cases of beatings and electric shocks administered to Kuwaitis rounded up since the invasion.

Kuwaitis have had limbs broken, their hair plucked out with pincers, and their fingernails and toenails pulled out, and have been threatened with rape and murder, Amnesty said.

''We cannot even publish more details on former torture victims in case they or their families are identified and suffer reprisals,'' the organization said.

It said the group had interviewed civilians who had fled Kuwait to gather evidence.

This testimony, along with a report from Amnesty representatives in Bahrain ''builds up a horrifying picture of widespread arrests, torture under interrogation, summary executions and mass extrajudicial killings, '' Amnesty said.

Iraqi troops have hanged mass groups of people on the grounds of Kuwait University for alleged opposition to Saddam. Boys as young as 15 have been shot through the head in street executions. Doctors were forced to sign false death certificates alleging murder victims died natural deaths in hospitals, Amnesty said.

Amnesty also condemned the detention of Westerners in Iraq and Kuwait by Saddam as hostages against possible attack.

''These detentions are arbitrary and constitute a violation of human rights norms,'' Amnesty said.

Amnesty said it opposed the death penalty imposed by Iraq on Kuwaitis found harboring Westerners, looting or hoarding food.

So far, one Kuwaiti has been reported to have been executed for hiding an American citizen and at least 10 people have been killed for looting, the report said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Twenty-two American corporations Tuesday launched an alliance with the United Nations in an effort to save the lives of millions of children worldwide.

Responding to the recent World Summit for Children, the leaders of the Corporate Alliance for Child Survival said they would donate money to projects supported by the United States Committee for Unicef, the United Nations Children's Fund.

''The founding of the alliance by leaders from major American corporations is an endorsement from this nation's business community of the goals established by the summit,'' the alliance said in a statement.

The summit that ended Sunday called for a reduction in infant mortality and malnutrition, and other improvements including the provision of clean water and primary education.

Lawrence E. Bruce, Jr., president of the U.S. Committee for Unicef, said 40,000 children die each day from five main preventable diseases - pneumonia, tetanus, whooping cough, measles, and, the biggest killer, dehydration from diarrhea.

Participants in the alliance include American Express Co.; General Mills Inc.; Merrill Lynch & Co.; Pepsico Worldwide Beverages; Nabisco Brands Inc.; Kraft General Foods Inc. and Pier 1 Imports Inc. The heads of the 22 participating corporations will act as co-chairmen.

The alliance will be chaired for its first two years by James Wood, chairman and chief executive officer of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company.

Wood, a member of the U.S. Committee for Unicef, told a news conference at the United Nations that the alliance had raised $600,000 in its first four weeks and looked like it would exceed its goal of $1 million in the first two years.

The alliance has committed itself to support the committee until the year 2000.

Wood said the money raised so far indicated a healthy atmosphere of corporate support. ''But as we have learned from global leaders who attended the world summit this past weekend, the children of the world have vast and growing needs.

He said the three main objectives of the alliance would be to set the tone for corporate support of Unicef; to increase public awareness of the need for such support, and to provide continuity after the launch.

Hugh Downs, the broadcaster who chairs the U.S. Committee for Unicef, said, the alliance ''launches an exciting partnership between the committee and our

nation's leading corporations to save, potentially, millions of children's lives in the next decade.''

A simple remedy to dehydration from diarrhea, known as oral rehydration therapy, currently saves 1 million lives a year, Bruce said.

He added, ''The world has known for a long time what needs to be done to save and improve children's lives, but has always placed other priorities first. Today, Mr Woods and his corporate colleagues are telling the world that children must be a top priority.''

The other particpating corporations are: American Home Products; Becton Dickinson & Co.; Conagra Inc.; Deloitte & Touche; Goya Foods Inc.; Grand Metropolitan Food Sector; ICI Americas Inc.; Johanna Dairies Inc.; Johnson & Johnson; Marcal Paper Mills Inc.; Schering-Plough; Sunshine Buiscuits Inc.; Tengelmann Group and Warner-Lambert.

In a separate annoncement, American Express said Tuesday that as its contribution to the alliance, it would donate $100,000 to the U.S. Unicef Committee to aid refugee families dislocated by the Iraq/Kuwait conflict.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - It will be the middle of the next century before Soviet industry catches up with demand for consumer goods as simple as shoes or socks. That assessment comes from the head of the Consumer Goods Committee for the Soviet Parliament. Demand is so far ahead of development of light industries that socks won't be in good supply until the year 2020... shoes until 2058. All of this is coming to light now as the Soviet Union switches from a rigidly centralized economy to a free-market system.

The strike of civilian Filipino employees at major U-S military bases in the Philippines is in its second day with NO indication of any settlement. Attempts at forging an agreement failed earlier today. The workers are supposed to get 18 percent pay raises, but the U-S Congress has placed a three-point-five percent cap on any increase. The strike has been relatively peaceful and volunteers are keeping essential services going.

The death of a Scottish lawyer in an autombile accident near his home has led to a temporary adjournment of the judicial inquiry into the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 two years ago. Lawyer Michael Hughes had worked with the group of American relatives since the disaster. His car was hit by an out-of-control truck as Hughes drove to his hometown of Glasgow. The inquiry will resume on Thursday.

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HOLLYWOOD (OCT. 2) UPI - Moviegoers have paid $3.7 billion so far this year at the box office, about 2 percent behind 1989's record-setting pace, when ticket sales topped $5 billion by year's end.

With the romance-thriller ''Ghost'' and new hits ''Pacific Heights,'' ''GoodFellas'' and ''Postcards From the Edge'' keeping sales up, the year-to-date box-office total hit $3.7 billion over the weekend, vs. the $3.77 billion recorded in the same period last year, Daily Variety reported Tuesday.

In 1988, the total at the same juncture had reached $3.34 billion.

The top 10 movies of last weekend - led by the yuppie thriller ''Pacific Heights'' - took in $32.8 million, off 4 percent from the previous weekend's $34.2 millio, but up 18 percent from the $27.7 million scored by the top 10 a year ago.

For the latest week, the total domestic box office reached $68.3 million, off slightly from the year-earlier $70.5 million. In 1988, the same week produced ticket sales of $49.4 million.

The major release for the coming weekend is Twentieth Century-Fox's ''Marked for Death,'' the latest Steven Seagal shoot-'em-up. Seagal's previous movie, ''Hard to Kill,'' was a surprise hit this spring.

Also going into limited release this weekend are a restored version of Disney's ''Fantasia,'' ''Desperate Hours'' with Mickey Rourke and ''Listen Up: The Lives of Quincy Jones.''

Paramount's ''Ghost,'' shaping up to become the year's biggest hit, has taken in $155.3 million in 12 weeks, second only to Disney's ''Pretty Woman,'' which has grossed $173.5 million in 29 weeks. ''Ghost'' crossed the $150 million benchmark in just 78 days of release, while ''Pretty Woman'' hit the same total in 103 days.

The third-highest grosser of the year, New Line's ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles,'' has taken in $133.1 million in 27 weeks, while Paramount's ''Hunt for Red October'' has reached $120.6 million in 29 weeks and Carolco's ''Total Recall'' has grossed $118 million in 18 weeks.

Fox's ''Die Hard 2'' has pulled in $113.3 million in 13 weeks and Disney's ''Dick Tracy'' has grossed $103.7 million in 12 weeks.

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AMMAN, JORDAN (OCT. 2) UPI - She is from Sri Lanka, one of thousands of Asian refugees stranded in desert camps amid the Persian Gulf crisis. She is

one of the lucky ones about to go home, but she fears she will only trade one camp for another.

Andalus refugee camp in Jordan is the last stop for Asians who - after spending weeks in other camps - usually stay only a day or two before hopping a bus to the international airport in Amman for flights home. It is a place where happiness and fear are magnified by the reality of returning.

The camp is dominated by lines: lines for rice and yogurt, neat lines of 300 tents, lines of freshly washed clothes strung on tent ropes. And lines of exhausted and mostly happy Asian refugees with luggage preparing to board air conditioned buses heading for the airport.

Andalus is usually a short stopping place, but refugees may start facing longer waits. Jordan said Tuesday it would be unable to continue financing the transport of Asians without aid.

The government also said Saturday it faced serious difficulties in providing basic refugee facilities and could not continue without international help. Jordan said although the government had been promised $100 million in refugee aid, only $1.7 million had been received.

The problem for the Sri Lankan woman, however, was more imminent. An ethnic Tamil from the Indian Ocean island a few miles off India's southeast coast, she said many of her relatives had fled massacres of Tamils by the Sinhalese majority in the strife-torn nation. They are now in a refugee camp in India - and she predicted that after going home, she would end up there as well.

Like the Sri Lankan woman, who asked not to be named, Tamil men also are concerned amid reports Sri Lankan authorities have arrested Tamil men as soon as they land in the capital of Colombo.

And camp deputy director Barakat Abbadi said six Liberians at the camp would prefer to go to countries other than their own, which has been torn by a bloody civil war for nine months.

Still, for many going home is a long awaited quest and memories fade quickly of their flight from Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, as well as weeks of waiting at other camps.

Wackaram Pauaseeli, a Sri Lankan who worked in Kuwait as housemaid, lived 16 days at a previous camp and less than 24 hours at the Andalus.

Asked if she had a difficult time at the camps, she replied: ''Never mind. Today I go back to Sri Lanka.''

The Asians, mainly Bangladeshis, Sri Lankans and Indians, live in Andalus after coming from the Azrak desert camps near the Jordanian- Iraqi border. For

many, it is a ''five-star'' camp, as one Bangladeshi described it, compared to the Azrak camps where they wait weeks for their turn to fly home.

The number of refugees at Andalus fluctuates daily between 2,000 to 3,000, according to camp official Abbadi. He said the camp, set up Aug. 28 with a capacity for 3,000 if 10 are kept in each tent, on one day had as many as 6,000 Asians.

To kill time, men walk aimlessly, sleep or sit in tents talking or playing cards. The women wash their clothes and talk.

But despite the organization evident at Andalus, there are problems. The ground is littered with garbage that did not make it to the trash bins and zinc-roofed latrines near the highway exude the stench of urine, which mixes with the smell of cooked rice and vegetables.

Refugees fill plastic containers from water tanks with faucets along the highway, or slosh water from the faucets over their dusty bodies.

Even once white tents are crusted brown with sand.

The cleanest part of the camp is the shower room area, built with cement blocks and covered with green plastic curtains. A camp official said they were built for the women, but have been untouched. The women prefer to bathe from the water tanks near the road while fully-dressed, he said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Besieged by demands for action after a long, violent summer, New York Mayor David Dinkins Tuesday unveiled a $1.8 billion ''battle plan against fear'' to take back New York City's crime-ridden streets with a massive army of new police.

The mayor's program called for hiring nearly 8,000 more police, bringing the nation's largest force to almost 32,000 officers - the highest in its history.

It also calls for a sweeping reorganiziation of the department, the first in decades, to emphasize community patrol.

Called ''Safe Streets, Safe City,'' the plan follows a summer of violence that saw the homicide rate soar to a record height. Eight children were slain and at least 15 more were wounded.

Calls for action reached their peak with the killing of a Utah tourist slain while trying to protect his mother from subway muggers.

Police brass said that once fully implemented by next October the program will

mean there will be one officer on foot patrol on every block in the 319-square mile city and an officer on every subway after school and at night.

The program also proposes major new spending for the city's overburdened jails and its courts and features a renewed effort to deter youth crime through special education, job training and recreation programs.

It will be paid for through a mix of property tax increases, a payroll tax on residents and commuters and a 25-cent surcharge on $1 lottery tickets sold in the city to finance the education-related portion of the plan.

''Fear is the ugliest of emotions,'' Dinkins said. ''Unchecked it may become the greatest criminal of all, robbing us of every freedom, crushing our birthright and burning our future before us. Today we present our battle plan against fear.

''With it as our guide, we will flood the streets with an army of police officers, men and women trained in a funadmentally different manner to reach into every corner of our communities to capture fear and lock it away,'' he said.

By all accounts, the mayor's plan - which requires council and state legislative approval - has turned out to be much larger than they ever expected.

It will more than double the number of city police on patrol each day by increasing the number of officers and civilians in the department and by freeing uniform officers from desk jobs and eliminating some elite units.

The effort also calls for beefing up security on the subways, placing transit police on subways after school and from 8 p.m. to 4 a.m.

The program would require all new police to be city residents to make sure they are more sensitive to community concerns and features a special effort to recruit minority officers.

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CARSON CITY, Nev. (OCT. 2) UPI - A Soviet official met with Gov. Bob Miller to promote business - and said his country has no ideological objection to a gambling industry in the Soviet Union.

Consul General Valentin Kamenev, of the U.S.S.R.'s San Francisco consulate, suggested Monday to the governor that Nevada send an economic development mission to Russia. Businesses are already planning to install slot machines in some areas of the Soviet Union.

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BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (OCT. 2) UPI - Croatia sought Tuesday to cool tensions between Yugoslavia's two main ethnic groups, announcing a withdrawal of paramilitary forces from Serbian-dominated towns and an amnesty for Serbs who stole weapons from police stations.

Yugoslavia's eight-man federal presidency met in emergency session to discuss the 4-day-old crisis as thousands of Serbs in Serbia held a second day of anti-Croatian rallies. Militants began enlisting volunteers to defend Serbs in Croatia who declared autonomy from the republic's government.

The Croatian Interior Ministry said normalcy was returning to five Serbian-dominated towns where clashes erupted Friday, Saturday and Sunday between Serbs and paramilitary forces.

''The withdrawal of special police forces is underway and they are being replaced by regular police organs, which are in charge of those regions,'' a ministry statement said.

There was no independent confirmation of the pullouts.

The ministry urged Serbs to return weapons stolen from police stations during the disturbances, saying those who did would not be prosecuted.

''No one who returns weapons will be held responsible,'' it said.

The unrest, in which a paramilitary officer and several reporters were injured and large numbers of Serbs arrested, erupted when police tried to transfer reserve police weapons out of several towns dominated by members of Croatia's 600,000-strong Serbian minority.

The raids reinforced fears of persecution among Serbs, who for months have been inundated by anti-Croatian propaganda from Serbian leaders using nationalist appeals to move into a power vacuum left by the demise of 45 years of communist rule.

Contributing to the frictions have been belligerent anti-Serbian statements from the Croatian government of President Franjo Tudjman, which rode to power on a wave of Croatian nationalism in April in the republic's first free assembly polls since the end of World War II.

Serbs claim Tudjman plans to deprive them of their civil and human rights. Tudjman charges Serbs are being instigated by Serbia's communist regime, which has become stridently nationalist in a bid to survive Dec. 9 multi-party assembly elections.

Serbia opposes Tudjman's call for converting Yugoslavia from a loose federation of six republics of 23 million into a confederation of independent states. Croatians and other minorities fear Serbian domination.

The dispute has reignited hatreds between the 4.6 million Roman Catholic Croats and 8.5 million-strong Orthodox Serbian majority, which still remembers atrocities committed against it by a pro-Nazi puppet regime that ran Croatia during World War II.

The latest frictions on Monday prompted the Serbian National Council, which represents Croatia's Serbs and is based in the town of Knin, to declare autonomy, saying it was assuming political control of the republic's Serbian enclaves.

Witnesses said armed Serbian vigilantes were maintaining road and rail blockades Tuesday to prevent Croatian police from moving into the Knin area, the largest Serbian enclave in Croatia, and reasserting government authority.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 2) UPI - Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov and Lithuanian Vytautas Landsbergis began ground-breaking talks Tuesday to pave the way for formal negotiations between Moscow and Vilnius.

The two sides issued a one-page joint communique in which they pledged to reach a bilateral trade and economic accord by next year. They also set up a working group to address ''logistical concerns and procedural questions of future negotiations.''

''We would like to hope that this meeting marks a turning point in our relations,'' Landsbergis told reporters after the session. ''Further meetings will show if it is so.''

The initial meeting took place less than eight months after Lithuania declared independence in a defiant act that led Soviet President Mikhail Gorbahev to impose a seven-week economic blockade of the Baltic republic.

''We will have to cover a long road of similar meetings before we can begin official talks, but a first step has been made, and we didn't stumble,'' Landsbergis said.

Landsbergis, former head of the Sajudis nationalist group that took control of the Lithuanian Parliament in February parliamentary elections, said the two delegations had shown more willingness to compromise than he had expected. He did not elaborate.

The delegations, the joint communique said, gave the joint working group a

two-week deadline to develop ''concrete proposals'' for further high-level talks leading up to formal negotiations.

''The delegations have agreed that their further activities will be conducted according to bilateral trade and economic mutual agreements for the year 1991 '' the communique said.

Lithuanian Prime Minister Kazimiera Prunskiene, who also participated in the talks, said that ''such an (economic) agreement would create the conditions to escape from a blind alley.''

Prunskiene said she was hopeful another meeting of the Ryzhkov- Landsbergis delegations could be held in two weeks.

There was no immediate comment from Ryzhkov or other Soviet officials who joined what the official Tass news agency described as a ''consultative meeting.''

Lithuania, annexed by the Soviet Union in 1940, declared independence March 11 and insists that formal negotiations be conducted between two independent states, a condition Moscow has rejected.

''The current meeting cannot be regarded as the beginning of official negotiations because a joint protocol on its conditions has yet to be signed '' Lithuanian government spokesman Lenginas Vasiljauskas told Tass.

In early August Lithuania submitted a draft protocol of terms for official negotiations, but there has been no agreement.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) UPI - The United States put on a show of strength in the Persian Gulf Tuesday, sending an aircraft carrier into the dangerous waters for the first time in 16 years and staging a 15,000-Marine mock amphibious assault.

The moves were disclosed by the Pentagon only one day after President Bush, in remarks to the United Nations, offered new optimism that the crisis with Iraq could be settled without war.

''They're not conflicting signals,'' Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said, when asked to reconcile the apparent discrepancy. ''Things like exercises ... are what you do to keep up the readiness of your forces.

''We exercise Marines in amphibious landings all the time ... that's not a political message,'' he added.

Williams said at a Pentagon briefing that the 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade - a force of 15,000 Marines, mostly from Camp Lejeune, N.C. - was staging amphibious landings on a remote beach in the northern Arabian Sea.

He said 18 ships and 90 helicopters were involved in the exercise that began Monday and would continue through Friday.

Williams declined to identify the host country, but other defense officials who asked not to be identified said the Marines were staging the mock assaults on the beaches on southern Oman.

Williams said no reporters would be allowed to witness the amphibious assault exercise - believed to be the largest by Marines in more than a decade - because the host government did not want the American press there.

At the same time, the Pentagon disclosed that the Independence moved from the Gulf of Oman, through the Strait of Hormuz and into the Persian Gulf Monday night, making it the first carrier to enter the gulf since 1974.

A Pentaon statement said the carrier would remain in the gulf for a ''short period,'' and Williams declined to elaborate. The ship carries a crew of 5,000 and 75 combat planes including F-14 Tomcat and F/A-18 Hornet fighters.

Navy leaders refused to send carriers into the gulf during the escort operation involving Kuwaiti tankers in 1987, arguing the huge ships would be a large target in a small area and were at risk of being bottled up.

In seeking to defend the apparent change in tactics, a Navy spokesman said Tuesday that the carrier ''was highly defendable'' and indicated there was little risk to the ship.

Williams said the Independence was sent into the gulf to ''conduct normal operations'' and ''to provide an opportunity for the carrier battle group to become familiar with some of the unique operating conditions in the Persian Gulf.''

The Pentagon also said that the Independence also would ''provide a visible demonstration of the operational capabilities of a carrier battle group to our friends and allies in the region.''

Williams denied that the movement of the carrier into the gulf was intended to increase tension in the region, where more than 170,000 U.S. soldiers and sailors are facing off with Iraqi forces occupying Kuwait.

''Although the movement of one of our carrier battle groups into the Persian Gulf is unusual,'' Williams said, ''it is not unprecedented and is not meant in any way to increase regional tensions.''

The last American aircraft carrier to enter the Persian Gulf was the USS Constellation in 1974, while Iran was still a U.S. ally and the region was generally peaceful.

In May 1987, when Iraq was still at war with Iran, an Iraqi warplane hit the guided-missile frigate USS Stark in the Persian Gulf with two French-made Exocet missiles, killing 37 American sailors and injuring 21 others.

Iraq apologized, saying the attack was a case of mistaken identity.

Nearly a year later, in April 1988, the frigate USS Samuel B. Roberts hit an underwater mine in the gulf, causing major damage to the ship and injuring four sailors. The mine was believed planted by Iran.

The Roberts is back in the region, in the northern Red Sea, as one of the U.S. warships supporting Operation Desert Shield.

The Pentagon has refused to publicly disclose the number of U.S. forces or military hardware in the region other than to give general approximations.

In keeping with that policy, Williams said there are now more than 170,000 U.S. personnel in the region - including those on ships at sea. Last week, he said there were more than 150,000.

He also said the number of Iraqi troops in Kuwait and southern Iraq remained at about 430,000, the same number for more than a week and perhaps an indication that Iraq has stopped its military buildup in the area.

Williams also said a total of 26,806 reservists and National Guard members were called to active duty in the past eight weeks to support Operation Desert Shield, falling far short of the Pentagon's original estimate that 50,000 would be called by Oct. 1.

Williams said the military services found they did not need as many reservists as they originally thought.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Stock prices surged Tuesday on major global exchanges as the price of oil fell, easing worries of higher interest rates and the likelihood of a recesssion.

Cash heavy investors searched out selected unvalued blue-chip stocks, which recently have fallen to their lowest level in years from Tokyo to New York sending key market indexes surging sharply higher in activity described as moderately active.

In Tokyo, on the world's largest stock market, investors enjoyed their largest single day gain in history.

Analysts in New York said stocks climbed as the price of oil fell sharply on spot markets following comments from leaders of Iraq and the U.S. that are said to be dovish on the standoff in the oil rich Persian Gulf.

Analysts said crude prices, which have surged more than 70 percent since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2, took another hit from speculators in the crude oil pits when the world supply of oil appeared far from a supply squeeze.

The drop in oil prices, which is an indicator of inflation, in turn sparked rallies on stock markets around the globe, however, analysts warned the rallies may not last.

In New York, stocks climbed on the New York and American Stock Exchanges. The Dow Jones Industrial Average, which surged 63.36 points Monday, was ahead 28.22 points to 2544.06 around 1:45 p.m. EDT.

In Europe, stocks surged for the second consecutive trading sessions in London Frankfurt and Paris.

In London, the blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which jumped 40.6 points Monday, gained another 27.7 points to 2,058.5.

Analysts in London said stocks, particularly blue-chips, were boosted by lower oil prices on world markets, but, pessimists noted the question of whether there would be a diplomatic solution in the Persian Gulf or whether there would be a worsening of tensions and possible war continued to hang over the market.

In Frankfurt, the German Stock Index, which surged 85.84 points Monday, gained 24.16 points or 1.67 percent to 1,444.89.

In Paris, the French CAC-40 Index climbed 32.13 points to 1,572.94.

In Asia, the Tokyo stock market, which had been suffering from its worst battering since October 1987, rebounded to post its largest daily advance ever as bargain hunting combined with good news concerning interest rates and hopeful signs in the Middle East.

The Nikkei Average, which plunged 761.64 points Monday, rocketed 2, 676.55 points - or 13.2 percent - to 22,898.41.

The surge was a record jump in both number and percentage, topping the previous mark of 2,037.32 points set Oct. 21, 1987, and a record 11.3 percent jump in prices in December 1949.

''The mood was incredible,'' said Chris Schreiber, a broker with New Japan Securities Co in Tokyo.

''Everybody had been down for months, but today (Tuesday) you got people clapping in the dealing room. In the international department they were telling jokes.''

''Roll out the superlatives,'' George Nimmo, a manager with SBCI Securities in Tokyo said. ''If we had not been up, we might have just as well packed up and gone home.

''Nobody is convinced that the market has bottomed out,'' said Schreiber. ''Nobody sees interest rates coming off in a big way. You are going to have to see a slowdown.''

''I think we have seen the bottom,'' said Nimmo. ''In September the stock market lost 15 percent. That was overdone on the downside.''

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks soared on encouraging news from the Persian Gulf on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. The Hang Seng Index, which gained 30.44 points Monday, surged 114.22 points or 4 percent to 2,905.48.

In Singapore, stocks climbed on the Singapore Stock Exchange. The Straits Times Industrial Index, which gained 4.76 points Monday, climbed 33.77 points or 3.45 percent to 1,137.21.

''Investors were having a heyday in the market,'' one local Sinagpore analysts said.

Stocks also surged in Bangkok on the Thailand Stock Exchange boosted by the rises on other world markets and the easing of tensions in the Middle East.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index, which gained 12.83 points Monday, jumped 50.12 points or 7.7 percent to 704.51.

Stocks also climbed in Australia following the strong performance in Tokyo. The Sydney Sharemarket's All Ordinaries Index gained 20.4 points or 1.5 percent to 1,406.1.

In Wellington, New Zealand stocks climbed for their third consecutive session as the Barclays Share Price Index surged 32.91 points or 2.2 percent to 1,512.14.

Investors also sent stocks sharply higher in Taipei and Manila.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) UPI - The ''green revolution'' of high-yield varieties of wheat and rice that staved off famine in the developing world has a little-noticed but increasingly important ally - the potato.

Domesticated some 5,000 years ago in the high plains of the Andes, the potato is becoming a major source of food and income in the tropical world, home to three-fourths of the world's more than 5.1 billion people.

''In Asia and Africa, potato production is increasing faster than any other food crop. Indonesia is doubling production every seven to 10 years,'' said Richard Sawyer, director general of the International Potato Center in Lima, Peru.

''In all, the potato has become the most important diversification crop for those countries reaching self-sufficiency in rice, such as Bangladesh, the Philippines and Vietnam.''

Sawyer, other scientists and food industry experts celebrated the virtues of the potato at a two-day symposium, ending Tuesday, at the Smithsonian Institution. Scientist Carlos Ochoa described the tuber as the world's most important food crop after wheat, corn and rice.

Potatoes also are a profitable export item for U.S. firms, who have found a booming market in Japan and other Asian countries for frozen fried potatoes. About 150,000 metric tons, or 165,000 short tons, were sold in Japan last year.

One-third of the world potato crop is grown in developing nations. Yields have doubled since 1950 and production has tripled, researchers say.

Potatoes are a valuable crop in developing nations because they can be grown in rotation with rice and wheat, Sawyer said.

''The potato fits well into cereal-based farming systems because the plants don't have to grow to maturity,'' Sawyer said in a lecture at the symposium. ''Harvest time can be when the rice crop has to be planted.''

Sawyer and anthropologist Robert Rhoades said about 45 percent of potatoes grown in the developing world are produced in the lowlands. Researchers were surprised in the early 1970s to see the potential for potatoes in the tropics. Edible potatoes can be grown in 40 days, half the time needed for cereal crops.

With food demand rising due to rapid population growth in the developing nations but little highly productive new land available, farmers will have to boost their yields on the land now available, Sawyer said.

''This means a change from extensive agriculture to intensive agriculture,'' he said. ''This means increasingly a change from cereal production to tuber and vegetable production, since one can produce more calories and high-quality

protein per square meter per day with potatoes than with any other major plant food.''

One major obstacle to potato production in developing nations has been the high cost of seed tubers - often half the entire cost of the crop. The International Potato Center, a part of a worldwide network of agricultural research centers, is reducing that barrier through use of tissue cultures and development of so-called true seed.

The world produces more than 299 million metric tons of potatoes each year from 20 million hectares, or 329 million short tons from 50 million acres. U.S. production in 1989 was projected as 370 million hundredweight.

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ORLANDO, FLA. (OCT. 2) UPI - The average price of gasoline nationwide surged 3.6 cents a gallon during the past week, recording the steepest rise in five weeks, the American Automobile Association said Tuesday.

The average price of a gallon of regular gasoline sold at self- service pumps nationwide rose to $1.346 a gallon, up from $1.31 a gallon last week, to the highest level since Thanksgiving 1981, when the price hit $1.349 a gallon.

The average price is now 27.1 cents a gallon higher than on Aug. 1, the day before Iraq invaded Kuwait and triggered the recent runup in fuel prices.

The average prices for mid-grade and premium gasoline rose 3.7 cents a gallon over the past week, to $1.428 and $1.513, respectively, AAA said.

The AAA said prices rose in all parts of the nation during the past week. The steepest hikes were seen in the Great Lakes region, followed by those in the Mid-Atlantic, Southeast and Midwest, AAA said.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 2) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Tuesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	80.27	80.35	79.85	79.92	80.17
Dec	77.75	77.75	76.90	77.00	77.45
Feb	75.70	75.75	74.97	75.05	75.50
Apr	76.05	76.10	75.65	75.72	75.90
Jun	73.65	73.65	73.00	73.15	73.40
Aug	71.75	71.90	71.60	71.60	71.75

Oct 72.00 72.05 71.75 71.75 71.90

Est. sales 13,917 contracts; Monday 16,996; open interest 67,277 up 1,156.
Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb
Oct 88.20 88.30 87.67 87.82 88.12
Nov 87.50 87.50 86.67 86.77 87.10
Jan 86.55 86.55 85.70 85.82 86.22
Mar 84.45 84.45 83.30 83.37 84.00
Apr 83.50 83.50 82.60 82.60 83.25
May 82.60 82.75 81.70 81.77 82.60

Est. sales 1,198 contracts; Monday 1,762; open interest 10,655 off 962.
Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
Oct 57.10 57.32 56.05 56.20 56.32
Dec 55.50 55.60 54.60 54.67 54.20
Feb 52.85 52.85 51.95 52.22 51.35
Apr 48.50 49.05 48.50 48.57 48.02
Jun 51.70 52.05 51.65 51.67 51.35
Jly 52.10 52.20 51.65 52.20 51.45
Aug 50.50 50.50 50.25 50.40 50.20
Oct 46.30 46.30 45.70 46.10 45.97 Est. sales 10,214 contracts; Monday 1,266; open interest 25,731 off 34. Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 62.20 62.20 62.20 62.20 60.20
Mar 62.07 62.07 62.07 62.07 60.07
May 62.67 62.67 62.67 62.67 60.67
Jly 62.52 62.52 62.52 62.52 60.52
Aug .... 60.50 .... 60.50 58.50

Est. sales 366 contracts; Monday 434; open interest 5,538 off 21.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Tuesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lb 123.99 up 37 cents, 700- 850 lb 124.04 up 47 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lb 117.06 up 18 cents, 700-850 lb 116.60 up 26 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins were firm-3.00 to 5.00 higher; skinned hams mostly 2.00 higher; seedless bellies were not fully established; Boston butts 4-8 lb 82.00-85.00; hams 14-17 lb 102.00, 17-20 lb 101.00-102.00, 20- 26 lb 100.00-102.00.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Reading Down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period Year Earlier

CPT Corp (4th Q 6-30)
$5,559,000 $13,478,000
ad-$9,293,000 bd-$6,328,000
ad-Deficit, includes provisions for
restructuring and other non-recurring items of $5,237,000.
bd-Deficit, includes provisions of $1,315,000
for restructuring and other non-recurring items.

Hillenbrand Indus (3rd Q 9-1)
$259,015,000 $237,542,000
$16,014,000 (.43) $15,501,000 (.42)

Intermetrics Inc (2nd Q 8-31)
$13,825,000 $11,648,000
$515,000 (.14) $562,000 (.16)

Natl Micronetics (4th Q 6-30)
$10,782,000 $10,022,000
d-$1,309,000 d-$435,000
d-Deficit.

Parkway Co (4th Q 6-30)
....
d-$738,000 $234,000 (.16)
d-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.

Photon Tech Intl (4th Q 6-30)
$1,500,000 $1,100,000
$32,000 (.02) d-$100,000
d-Deficit.

Readicare Inc (2nd Q 8-31)
$6,385,000 $5,235,000
$575,000 (.07) $422,000 (.05)

Santa Monica Bank (3rd Q 9-30)
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$3,346,000 (.57) $3,135,000 (.53)

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Iraq is offering to destroy all its weapons of mass destruction if other nations in the region, including Israel, do the same. The announcement from Baghdad is the latest in a number of apparently conciliatory

moves. They follow the announcement on Sunday that Iraq is willing to consider a French peace plan to end the Persian Gulf crisis. There is NO immediate reaction from any other nation to the Iraqi offer. .

The massing of arms close to Iraq continues with word that the conventionally powered aircraft carrier Independence is now operating inside the Persian Gulf. It has a crew of five-thousand and carries 75 combat aircraft, including FA-18 Hornets. The Independence is the first U-S aircraft carrier ordered into the Gulf since 1974.

One of two Americans believed aboard a domestic Chinese airliner is known to have survived the fiery crash of the Boeing 737 in Canton. It had been hijacked earlier today and crashed in a fireball as the crew allegedly fought with the air pirates. Chinese authorities report 120 confirmed deaths in the tragedy while at least 100 survivors are reported. The hospitalized American is identified as Erin Thomas, a woman believed to be from Oklahoma.

Efforts to reach a settlement between rival black groups in South Africa have been dealt a blow with word that Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi won't meet with Nelson Mandela, head of the rival African National Congress. The Friday meeting also is to include leaders of five other black homelands in South Africa. Urban violence in South Africa has claimed at least 700 lives since August.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) UPI - The decision by conservative Rep. Newt Gingrich, the No. 2 House Republican leader, to oppose the administration-backed budget agreement not only endangers the plan but could pose a threat to the GOP's old guard leadership, sources said Tuesday.

White House officials were described as ''very upset'' with Gingrich, R-Ga., not only for his decision to oppose the package but the ''very vocal'' way he chose to do so.

Gingrich, who had participated in earlier negotiations on the $500 billion, five-year deficit-cutting plan, announced Monday that he would oppose the final version of the package worked out by top congressional and administration officials.

He was joined in the defection by five assistant leaders who normally would be expected to work at securing GOP votes for the administration.

Gingrich caused a stir Sunday when he skipped the White House news conference where President Bush, surrounded by the other House and Senate leaders, announced agreement on the budget package.

Gingrich's defection left House Republican leader Robert Michel, of Illinois, with the task of rounding up support for the controversial package of spending cuts and tax increases.

Michel said Tuesday he was ''disappointed when the leadership can't all be working together. We're a minority party. We can't afford to be fractured.''

''I just don't think it reflects well on our party, particularly when we have our president on the line,'' he added.

Others suggested the split could endanger Michel's position and possibly lead to a Gingrich-Michel fight for the top leadership post when the Republicans gather in December to organize for the new Congress.

''At the very least this is a fight for control over the direction of the Republican conference in the House,'' said a Democratic leadership aide.

He said the outcome will determine ''whether the old guard is going to be totally swept away by the hezbollah.''

Gingrich's allies denied he was maneuvering for his own advantage.

Rep. Vin Weber, R-Minn., said Gingrich ''is not dumb enough to pick a fight with the president of the United States ... to advance his own interests.''

Rep. Steve Gunderson, R-Wis., said ''everybody is working very hard to keep this an orderly, family dispute.''

''People should not in any way, shape or form see this as a contest between Gingrich and Michel. That is clearly what the Democrats are trying to make it and what Newt's opponents are trying to make it for their benefit,'' Gunderson said.

Others declined to comment on whether Gingrich might be ousted from the leadership in December as a result of his defection.

In his first bid for a leadership post in March 1989, Gingrich won a surprising and narrow victory for the post of assistant House Republican leader, defeating a main-stream candidate backed by Michel.

Previously, Gingrich had developed a reputation as a conservative firebrand whose primary function was to attack Democrats. When Republicans elected him to the leadership members of both parties questioned whether he could moderate his style and learn to work effectively with the Democratic leadership as well as the administration.

A few months after his elevation Gingrich was rebuked by Michel for publicly disparaging a bipartisan effort to draft a campaign finance reform bill. That

effort subsequently collapsed.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 2) UPI - A doubling of the beer tax, as proposed in the federal budget compromise, might flatten anticipated growth in the brewing industry and will be felt more by smaller breweries, an industry analyst said Tuesday.

President Bush's proposed deal with congressional leaders would double the tax to 32 cents a six-pack, an increase The Beer Institute, a trade group, estimates would lead to a 4 percent drop in sales.

Breweries fought hard against the increase, with the nation's largest brewer, Anheuser-Busch Inc., starting an advertising campaign, ''Can the Beer Tax,'' that included a petition drive.

''It looks once again that the beer drinker is going to shoulder the burden of the deficit-reduction compromise,'' said Steven Forsyth, communication director at Miller Brewing Co. of Milwaukee.

Anheuser-Busch said only that it would continue to ''seek a fair deficit-reduction plan.''

Gary Langbaum, a brewing industry analyst at Kemper Financial Services, Inc., of Chicago, said in a telephone interview the increased tax could flatten growth.

''Without the increase, industry growth probably would be up somewhat next year, maybe 1 percent,'' Langbaum said. ''Maybe this takes it to flatish, but not severely damaging the rate of growth as some people are projecting.''

The nation's three largest breweries, Anheuser-Busch, of St. Louis, Miller Brewing and Adolph Coors Co., of Golden, Colo., will pass off the increase to consumers and continue heavy marketing, Langbaum said.

However he said smaller breweries like Stroh Brewery Co. of Detroit and G. Heileman Brewing Co. of La Crosse, Wis. could feel the effects of the higher tax.

''It will hurt the smaller ones more,'' Langbaum said. ''They are not going to be able to compete with the larger ones if the larger ones opt to continue their strategy on marketing.

''That's what's going to happen. The larger brewers will take this as a cost, pass it to the consumer and continue on the marketing side. The smaller guy will have trouble competing at that level.''

Stroh, in a statement, said it believed the increased price would help sales of its lower-cost beers Old Milwaukee, Schlitz and Schaefer.

''Consumers seeking alternatives to the higher prices imposed by the excise tax increase will still be able to afford'' those beers, the company said.

Officials at Heileman were not immediately available for comment.

Employment at large breweries, which are heavily automated, will not be adversely affected, Langbaum said. However, there could be some reductions in the workforces at smaller breweries and distributorships.

''Of the majors it will probably be marginal if at all,'' he said. ''The smaller guy, the guy who is losing volume already, probably is making cuts already. And distributors might feel inclined to cut their cost.''

''I would expect the companies to raise prices before the excise tax goes into effect so that the consumer would not see one big price increase,'' Langbaum said. ''I think you'll see a small increase before the end of the year, then another one when the excise tax goes up. Then again in February when normal prices go up. That way the consumer will not be seeing sticker shock.''

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(OCT. 2) UPI - The Supreme Court should be up to its full complement of nine justices later today with the expected confirmation of New Hamsphire jurist David Souter. The Senate Judiciary Committee approved his nomination to the high court on a 13-1 vote last week and full Senate proceedings begin today. Souter will become the 105th justice to serve on the nation's highest court.

The European Community is giving a warm welcome to East Germans coming into the 12-nation organization. The E-C says in statement that the unification of Germany- quote- ''opens the door toward the unity of all of Europe'' and ''enriches the identity of the Community as a whole.'' The statement comes just hours in advance of the merger of East and West Germany.

Top-level Soviet and Lithuanian delegations opened talks in Moscow today on conditions for formal negotiations on future relations between the two sides. Lithuania- annexed by the Soviet Union in 1940- declared independence from Moscow last March and insists that any formal negotiations be conducted between two independent states. The Kremlin says negotiations should be between the Soviet Union and one of its 15 republics.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 2) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat				
Dc	2.72 1/2	2.68	2.72 1/4	2.67 3/4
Mr	2.86 1/2	2.81 1/4	2.86 1/4	2.81 1/4
My	2.93 3/4	2.90	2.93 1/2	2.89 1/2
Jly	2.99	2.94	2.98 1/2	2.94
Sep	3.04	3.01 1/2	3.03 1/2	3.00
Dec	3.12	3.10	3.12 1/2	3.10
Corn				
Dc	2.26 1/4	2.22 3/4	2.25 1/4	2.23 1/2
Mr	2.35 3/4	2.32 1/2	2.34 3/4	2.32 3/4
My	2.41 1/2	2.37 3/4	2.40 1/2	2.38 1/4
Jly	2.45	2.41 3/4	2.44 1/4	2.42
Sp	2.44 1/4	2.41 1/2	2.43 1/4	2.41
Dc	2.46 1/2	2.42 1/2	2.45 1/2	2.42 3/4
Mr	2.52 1/4	2.50	2.51 1/2	2.49
Oats				
Dc	1.23 1/2	1.19 1/2	1.23	1.19 1/4
Mr	1.33 1/2	1.30	1.33 1/4	1.29 1/2
My	1.40	1.37	1.40	1.36 1/2
Jly	1.46 1/2	1.43 1/2	1.46 1/2	1.42 3/4
Sp	1.51 1/2	1.50	1.51 1/2	1.48
Soybeans				
Nv	6.08 1/2	6.04	6.06 1/4	6.04 1/2
Jn	6.23 1/4	6.19 1/4	6.21	6.19 1/2
Mr	6.36 1/2	6.32	6.34 1/4	6.32 1/2
My	6.46 3/4	6.42 1/2	6.44 1/4	6.41 3/4
Jly	6.55	6.50	6.52 1/4	6.49 1/2
Ag	6.50	6.45 1/2	6.47	6.43 1/2
Sp	6.28	6.26	6.26	6.23
Nv	6.18 1/4	6.14 3/4	6.16 1/4	6.14 1/2
Soyoil				
Oct	22.81	22.55	22.52	22.74
Dc	23.10	22.78	22.79	22.99
Jn	23.33	23.07	23.08	23.29
Mr	23.77	23.48	23.49	23.73
My	24.05	23.78	23.79	24.01
Jly	24.10	23.89	23.90	24.13
Ag	24.00	23.90	23.90	24.10
Sp	23.90	23.75	23.77	24.01

Oct	23.30	23.20	23.27	23.35
Dc	23.25	23.20	23.22	23.30

Soymeal

Oct	176.00	174.30	175.50	174.30
Dc	181.50	179.70	180.80	179.90
Jn	183.20	181.80	182.70	181.80
Mr	185.80	184.60	185.40	184.80
My	187.00	185.80	186.70	186.00
Jly	188.50	187.10	187.50	187.30
Ag	187.20	187.00	187.20	187.00
Sp	185.50	184.30	184.30	185.00
Oct	184.00	182.80	182.80	183.60
Dc	184.00	182.50	182.70	184.00

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) UPI - The Senate Foreign Relations Committee Tuesday unanimously approved the treaty providing for the reunification of Germany.

A spokesman for Committee Chairman Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., said he hoped the 17-0 vote would pave the way for consideration of the treaty by the full Senate on or before Oct. 3, when the division of Germany officially ends.

The treaty was signed Sept. 12 by the four occupying powers from World War II, the United States, the Soviet Union, Great Britain and France, as well as West and East Germany.

Key provisions end four-power rights over Germany and Berlin and confine the united Germany to the borders of the two current German states.

Soviet forces would have to withdraw from what is now East Germany by 1994, while U.S., British and French troops would remain in Berlin through 1994 at the request of the Germany government.

The united Germay would remain in NATO, but following the withdrawal of Soviet troops, the treay would bar NATO from stationing nuclear weapons or non-German NATO forces in what had been East German territory.

The Germans also renounced aggressive war and any intention to manufacture, possess, or control nuclear, biological or chemical weapons, and pledged to reduce their combined armed forces from the current 600,000 to 370,000.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Gold futures closed 160 to 250 points higher Tuesday

on the New York Commodity Exchange.
Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	385.70	389.10	385.70	389.10	386.60
Dec	392.50	393.90	390.70	393.90	391.60
Feb	397.00	398.70	395.00	398.00	395.90
Apr	400.00	401.90	400.00	401.90	399.90
Jun	403.50	406.10	403.50	406.10	404.10
Aug	408.80	409.90	408.80	409.90	407.90
Oct	414.50	414.50	413.00	414.30	412.40
Dec	417.50	417.80	417.50	418.70	416.90
Feb	422.70	....	....	423.50	421.80
Apr	425.30	....	....	428.10	426.40
Jun	432.40	....	....	433.10	431.50
Aug	437.40	....	....	438.10	436.50

Open interest: 115,428 off 1,192.
Estimated sales: 33,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 2 to 4 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	10.15	10.26	10.09	10.10	10.13
May	10.17	10.28	10.12	10.13	10.15
Jly	10.19	10.28	10.10	10.11	10.15
Oct	10.21	10.27	10.15	10.15	10.18

Estimated sales: 8,920 contracts
Open interest: 103,699 off 1,035
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.27

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 1 point higher to 3 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.45	23.45	23.40	23.45	23.45
Jan	23.16	23.18	23.12	23.18	23.19
Mar	23.15	23.16	23.15	23.16	23.16
May	23.20	23.23	23.20	23.23	23.22
Jly	23.23	23.23	23.23	23.23	23.23
Sep	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.20
Nov	22.94	22.94	22.91	22.91	22.94

Estimated sales: 1,313 contracts

Open interest: 11,780 up 40

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	370.54	221.24	137.36	21.59	314.94
Opening	374.24	225.43	138.55	21.98	318.25
11 a.m.	374.57	227.47	138.57	21.92	318.46
Noon	374.96	227.86	138.47	21.90	318.70
1 p.m.	376.17	228.62	138.76	21.96	319.66
2 p.m.	374.35	226.94	138.33	21.78	318.10
3 p.m.	373.12	226.13	137.95	21.60	316.97

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#90275u1601 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
WARSAW, POLAND (OCT. 2) UPI - Thousands of East Germans crossed the Polish border for last-minute bargains as reunification approached amid concerns in Poland about the economic powerhouse arising on its Western flank.

Nearly 80,000 East Germans crossed the Oder-Neisse in the Szececin area on the Baltic coast during the weekend, the Polish news agency PAP reported.

They bought up food, denim clothing, wicker baskets, kitchenware and bicycles. Some purchased huge quantities of butter, sugar and meat, while car owners filled up their tanks.

In Warsaw, some Poles expressed concern about the new economic power on their Western border.

''Today, just like Japan, Germany - because of its economic power - is more dangerous than the Wehrmacht (the German army in World War II) or than Japanese batallions,'' said Marian Podkowinski, a writer and expert on German issues.

''We see that both of these countries are coming back to the international arena, not as military but as economic powers. For economically weak Poland, this is as dangerous as German troops,'' Podkowinski said in Trybuna, the newspaper of the former Polish Communist Party, which now calls itself Social Democracy.

Podkowinski said he was concerned especially about the reaction of the

population of the former East German state.

''In East Germany, nationalistic tendencies can grow, because, in that area, people who for 40 years had to keep silent now will be allowed to speak out,'' he said.

Following Germany's defeat in World War II, it was forced to give up East Prussia and areas south of the Oder and east of the Neisse river to which Poland had no real historical claim. Poland lost 20 percent of its pre-war territory to the Soviet Union in the east.

Both Germanys gave formal assent to the current German-Poland border in the agreement that led to unification, but some Poles remain uneasy.

''I would like to be a bad prophet,'' former Prime Minister Mieczyslaw Rakowski said. ''But I do not exclude the appearance, toward the end of this century, of the (renewal of) demands concerning our western territories.''

The newspaper Gazeta Wyborcza reported that some 800,000 East Germans crossed during the past two weeks to the border town of Zgorzelec, which has 37,000 inhabitants. The influx was equal to the total number of East Germans who visited Poland during the last year.

The Zgorzelec marketplace was filled to overflowing with vendors selling everything from panties to Danish deep freezes.

Two young engineers from the Famango engine factory sold a carload of Christmas tree ornaments in one day.

As of the moment of unification at midnight, Poles were to need a visa to enter the new unified Germany. Previously, Poles needed only a valid passport to travel to East Germany.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold			
London			
Previous close fix	396.50	off	8.25
Morning fixing	389.25	off	7.25
Afternoon fixing	387.85	off	8.65
Close	388.50	off	8.00
Paris	389.23	off	13.44
Zurich	388.75	off	6.75
Hong Kong	387.55	off	11.825
New York			

Comex spot close	389.10	up	2.50
Republic cash	389.50	up	2.50
Handy and Harman	387.85	off	8.45

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 389.16 off 8.46 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 408.62 off 8.88 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.679	up	0.039
Republic cash	4.70	up	0.035

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.685 per fine ounce up 0.02

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.705 up 0.04 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.034 up 0.042

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 447.00 up 11.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 547.00 up 11.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 100.00 up 2.25 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 115.00 up 2.25.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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CHICAGO (OCT. 2) UPI - A top executive of the Chicago Board of Trade said Tuesday many decision-makers mistakenly believe the United States occupies a dominant position in the financial markets around the world.

''How else can you explain the proposals coming from Washington that have been put to the financial community throughout the past year?'' CBOT President and Chief Executive Officer Thomas Donovan said, ''Proposals such as a transaction tax on every futures and securities trade, an 11-cent tax on every futures trade and the Stability and Fairness Act, which sounds good until you look past the title.''

Donovan, speaking to the annual conference of the Financial Executives Institute, cited the growing threat of international competition to U.S. financial markets.

He said the growing presence of foreign markets has made a great impact on the futures industry. While the CBOT expects to trade around 160 million contracts this year, an increase of more than 90 percent over 1985, the U.S. market share of worldwide futures trading is only 61.5 percent, down from 81.9

percent five years ago.

''But losing some market share is not as bad as it seems because some nations are coming to us to learn and other nations are breaking free of the reins of communism and exploring the virtues of free market economies,'' Donovan said. ''Because these countries are finding that a true free market must include a futures market, our future is bright.''

He said foreign governments are taking steps to free their markets from heavy regulatory burdens, and the Bush administration is out of step with the rest of the world.

''On the very same day the Japanese government called for reducing its transaction tax by 90 percent, President Bush proposed an 11-cent tax on every futures transaction,'' Donovan said.

He also chided federal officials for proposals to transfer jurisdiction over stock index futures - now regulated by the Commodities Futures Trading Commission - to the Securities and Exchange Commission, saying the move would provide foreign competition with a competitive edge.

''America's financial industry is not opposed to all regulation, but we want regulation that is fair, that helps us protect our customers, and most of all that still allows us to be competitive,'' Donovan said. ''We don't want regulation that will stifle our growth and essentially make our competitors more attractive to our customers.''

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 2) UPI - Saudi Arabia, in a clear rebuttal to French President Francois Mitterrand's initiative linking the Persian Gulf crisis to the Arab-Israeli conflict, said Tuesday he rejected any ''alternative'' plans to end the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

''There is no need for vacillation between word and deed, or contradictions between declaration and implementation,'' the Saudi foreign minister, Prince Saud Al-Faisal, said in a speech to the U.N. General Assembly.

''There is no place for alternative proposals, or for circulating initiatives which belong to the arena of wasted time,'' he said.

U.N. resolutions condemning the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait demand the unconditional withdrawal of Iraq from the occupied emirate.

But Mitterrand proposed last week to resolve the crisis in four stages, beginning with the withdrawal of Iraqi trooops from Kuwait, restoration of sovereignty to that country and the release of hostages. He said ''everything

becomes possible'' after the first stage.

The French leader called for free elections to decide the future of the country, reconciliation among Arab nations, an international conference on the Middle East and disarmament for region's countries.

President Bush, addressing the General Assembly Monday, also appeared to tie the resolution of the gulf crisis with Mitterrand's suggested idea to link it with the Israeli-Arab conflict.

The U.N. Security Council swiftly condemned the invasion, demanded Iraq's withdrawal and ordered Aug. 6 a worldwide trade and arms embargo on Iraq. It added an air traffic ban on Sept. 25.

Al-Faisal said a ''decisive judgement'' against Iraq depends on a proper choice of a solution that ''cannot be complete except by preventing the aggressor from reaping the fruits of aggression.''

He said a total of 26 countries have come to assist Saudi Arabia to halt the advance of Iraqi forces to Saudi oilfields.

''We have assured that the presence of sisterly and friendly forces on Saudi territory is a temporary one,'' he said. ''It was in response to our request.''

He said the invasion of Kuwait took his government by ''surprise'' and the situation in the Persian Gulf teetered between the ''drums of war and the bells of peace.''

Britain, France and the Netherlands have sent ground troops and naval ships to the area to join the U.S. forces. In addition thousands of Arab soldiers were sent from Egypt, Syria and Morocco.

The Saudi government said it will contribute at least $12 billion for the upkeep of the U.S.-led multinational force in the gulf and give financial compensations to countries affected by anti-Iraq U.N. sanctions such as Turkey Egypt and Jordan.

Al-Faisal said his government plans to give the same compensations to Syria, Lebanon, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Somalia, Djibouti and ''many other countries proven to have suffered.''

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BERLIN (OCT. 2) UPI - East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere bid farewell Tuesday to the East German state in a televised speech hours before the country was to cease to exist.

East Germany will be absorbed by its powerful neighbor West Germany at the stroke of midnight Wednesday.

''I know it is unusual that a state voluntarily bids its farewell from history '' de Maiziere said, ''but just as unusual was the division of our country.''

In his final act as head of government, De Maiziere was to deliver a speech at an official ceremony Tuesday night at East Berlin's 19th century Schauspielhaus concert house.

The East German state will fade into history to strains of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony performed by Leipzig's Gewandthaus Orchestra.

''We are leaving behind a state which called itself democratic without being democratic,'' de Maiziere said, referring to his country's formal name, the German Democratic Republic.

But he warned German unity would not be fully accomplished just because East Germany disappears from the map. ''It also has to be desired in the heart, he said.

The prime minister acknowledged the fears many his countrymen have about the future. Suddenly forced to compete with the capitalist West, East Germany's inefficient state industries are in crisis and unemployment has risen sharply in recent months.

''But we have the advantage in knowing we have a strong partner (West Germany) on our side,'' de Maiziere said. ''Our problems are minor when compared with the living standards of our neighbors in Eastern Europe.''

De Maiziere paid tribute to the citizens groups who led the push for democratic change in East Germany in recent years.

''They were able to enforce freedom because they had freed themselves from fear,'' he said.

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PEORIA, Ill. (OCT. 2) UPI - Members of three United Auto Workers locals warned Caterpillar Inc. dealers Tuesday that relations between the union and the company's upper management are deteriorating.

UAW locals from Pontiac, Decatur and Peoria handed out leaflets to dealers attending a Peoria convention.

''We at one time felt we were on the road to improving relations, but it appears now that top-level management would rather fall back to an adversarial

position,'' the UAW statement read.

The union said it has no argument with the dealers, but wanted to warn them about the situation.

UAW Local 974 President Jerry Brown of Peoria said the company's decision to fill janitorial positions with non-union personnel brought the situation to a head. He said UAW members had filled those jobs since 1947.

The UAW and Caterpillar are in the final year of a three-year contract. A bitter strike marred contract talks in 1982, but agreements were reached in 1985 and 1988 without a walkout.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - At least two Americans were aboard a hijacked Chinese jetliner that crashed on landing in Canton, China, today. At least 120 people died. Official reports say the Boeing 737 slammed into an empty jetliner and another loaded with passengers on the runway and burst into flames. One Westerner says ''it was just a crematorium.'' At least one of the Americans was among the 100 survivors.

The United States ordered an aircraft carrier into the Persian Gulf today for the first time since 1974. The U-S-S Independence carries a crew of about five-thousand and some 75 combat planes, including F-14 Tomcat and F-A-18 Hornet fighters. Navy leaders in the past had argued that the huge ships would be a large target in a small area and were at risk of being bottled up.

Germany becomes a unified state at one minute after midnight, German time, for the first time since Hitler's Third Reich was crushed and quartered by the Allies. Economically devastated East Germany effectively will be absorbed by the hugely prosperous western Federal Republic with the pealing of a bell cast in the image of America's Liberty Bell.

Economists expect the Federal Reserve Board's powerful policy-making committee will move to lower interest rates after the agreement to slash the federal budget becomes law. The Federal Open Market Committee panel met today, but its final decision will be kept secret until after the next scheduled meeting on November 13th.

New York Mayor David Dinkins today unveiled his long-awaited anti- crime plan. Dinkins labeled the plan a ''battle plan against fear.'' It calls for a massive one-point-eight-BILLION-dollar program that will include hiring nearly eight-thousand additional police over the next 19 months.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Authorities in Brentwood, Tennessee, say a tractor-trailer rig on its first run plowed into two parked passenger buses on Interstate 65 early today, killing one person and injuring at least 14. Six of the injured were listed in critical condition. One of the buses and the tractor- trailer rig caught fire.

A judge in Philadelphia ordered Temple University faculty members to end their 29-day-old strike and return to classes tomorrow while contract talks continue. The walkout has brought daily protests from many of the university's 34-thousand students who were in danger of losing a semester's classes.

Hungary's prime minister hints that he'd like to see his country join NATO... and withdraw from the Warsaw Pact if the organization is NOT abolished by the end of 1991. Jozsef Antall spoke after the Council of Europe's Parliamentary Assembly urged Hungary to become the first former Eastern European country to join the group.

In New Delhi, fierce clashes police and demonstrators over a controversial federal job program marred today's commemoration of the birth of India's independence leader- Mohandas ''Mahatma'' Gandhi. The violence came at the end of a massive demonstration of about 100- thousand protesters when police opened fire on a crowd throwing stones at them. Three people were killed in the clash.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) UPI - Up to 20 percent of disinfectants on the market may not kill germs as advertised because the Environmental Protection Agency does no independent testing to verify manufacturer claims, congressional investigators said Tuesday.

The investigators told Congress the EPA's regulatory program was ''a standing joke'' within the industry because agency officials rely solely on laboratory testing data supplied by manufacturers to determine if a disinfectant is effective.

The joke, the investigators said, is that when testing produces inconsistent findings, some companies withhold data that shows their disinfectants do not work and give the EPA only positive results.

''We attended (industry) conferences where it was a standing joke that you only submitted data that showed your product was effective,'' said Richard Hembra, an investigator with the General Accounting Office, the auditing arm of Congress. ''In general, the view is it's a widespread practice.''

As a result, Hembra said hospitals, restaurants, schools and consumers have no

assurance that EPA-approved disinfectants will adequately clean medical instruments, bathrooms, food preparation tables and other areas possibly carrying disease-causing germs.

''Our work shows that EPA does not know whether disinfectants work,'' he told a House Government Operations Subcommittee on the Environment. ''Although the true extent to which ineffective disinfectants are marketed is unknown, evidence from the EPA, the states, and others indicates that up to 20 percent of disinfectants on the market may be ineffective.''

Hembra said the public health impact of disinfectant failure is not clear, but he noted federal studies show 5 percent of all hospital patients get infections after being admitted. He said research has linked some of those infections - including fatalities - to contaminated medical instruments.

EPA officials acknowledged regulatory lapses, but said only a ''small number'' of the 8,000 EPA-approved disinfectants on the market pose a potential health problem due to ineffectiveness.

They also said hospitals routinely take measures to assure disinfectants are applied in concentrations and amounts sufficient to kill germs.

''(Hospital officials) rarely cite concern over the efficacy of disinfectant products as a likely factor in the occurrence of infection, '' said Linda Fisher, assistant EPA administrator for pesticides and toxic substances. ''The agency believes the public can have confidence in hospital infection control programs.''

At the same time, Fisher expressed concern that disinfectants - which are classified as pesticides - may pose toxic hazards greater than previously believed.

She said a preliminary review of toxicological data raised questions about 600 EPA-approved disinfectants that now are undergoing more intensive examination.

In addition, Fisher said the EPA's initial request for toxicological data had resulted in another 2,500 products being voluntarily taken off the market, suspended by the EPA or otherwise removed from sale.

While all pesticides undergo review for toxicity, disinfectants are unique in that the EPA requires manufacturers to submit data proving that their products work as advertised.

Hembra said the EPA in the early 1980s did its own laboratory work to determine if disinfectants were effective, but that the agency's independent testing program was canceled in 1982 due to budget pressures.

He recommended the agency resurrect its testing program, calling it the only

way EPA can determine whether manufacturers are manipulating effectiveness data. ''Without an independent testing program, you have nothing,'' he said.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $20 to $28 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.75 cent to 1.50 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.65 cent to 1.50 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.20 cent to 0.95 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.60 to $2.50 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $16.80 to $17.20 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 5.00 cents to 5.05 cents a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 3.3 to 3.9 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.002 to 0.004 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 2) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.57 1/4-2.77 up 4 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.98 1/4- 6.06 1/4 up 1.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.13 1/4-2.25 up 2 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.27 1/4-2.30 1/4 up 4 1/4 to 2 1/4.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed sharply higher in moderate trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 2 to 2 3/4, soybeans up 1 1/2 to 3 1/2, wheat up 2 1/2 to 5 and oats up 3 1/2 to 3 3/4.

Cattle Trade - Firm to 50 cents higher; top $77.50.

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JERUSALEM (OCT. 2) UPI - Israeli soldiers killed three Palestinians Tuesday in the West Bank town of Jenin, and the military continued its gradual process of resuming formal education in the Israeli-occupied territories with the reopening of Bethlehem University.

A lower level of violence had prevailed in the occupied territories in recent months, prompting Israeli authorities to open two smaller West Bank colleges this summer. The military closed all colleges and universities in the territories a month after the Palestinian uprising began in December 1987, saying they were centers of unrest.

But the relative calm and cases of few deaths in recent months in the occupied territories was shattered Tuesday by the slayings in West Bank town of Jenin and the death of a fourth Arab at a Jerusalem hospital of wounds suffered during a clash with soldiers last week.

Military sources said soldiers in Jenin killed a 20-year-old Palestinian wanted by security forces - and identified by Palestinian sources as an escaped inmate - when he tried to escape attempts to arrest him.

Violent demonstrations erupted in the West Bank town in the wake of Maher Aqel's death during which Israeli soldiers shot and killed two Palestinians, Palestinian sources said. The military said it was investigating the two other deaths.

Since the start of the nearly 34-month-old Palestinian uprising at least 684 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli soldiers or civilians.

In the West Bank town of Bethlehem Tuesday, Bethlehem University became the first four-year university to open. The university is considered a test case for resumption of classes at other universities, said Musa Darwish, a Bethlehem University spokesman.

''The school opened without any conditions, but we are aware that if something happens, the authorities will close the university,'' he said. ''But what we are seeing is a willingness to open the universities.''

The military closed the Roman Catholic university, run by the Franciscan order in October 1987 for three months after a violent clash between Israeli soldiers and students that left one Palestinian dead. The closure order was extended when all colleges and universities in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip were shut in January 1988.

Elementary and secondary schools also were closed for much of the first two years of the uprising. The schools were gradually reopened this year.

During the university's closure, students studied unofficially and illegally in churches, hotels and clandestine classrooms, but degrees and classroom time from this period are not recognized by the authorities. About 1,400 students registered for classes at Bethlehem University for this fall.

''They are determined to to continue learning. The students will do their best to jump over the damage of three years of closure,'' Darwish said. ''I hope the soldiers will stay away from the campus to create a good climate to study in and to avoid provoking conflict.''

In the Arab neighborhood of Isawiyah Tuesday, police fired tear gas and rubber bullets to disperse an estimated 200 Palestinian youths in the latest violence in East Jerusalem. No injuries were reported.

In the Gaza Strip, Palestinian sources said soldiers shot and wounded one Arab during confrontations in the area of Khan Younis while masked men burned an Israeli bus after forcing the driver and Gazans on their way to jobs in Israel out of the vehicle.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) UPI - Supplies of most fuels are expected to be adequate although more expensive, this winter, in the wake of the Persian Gulf crisis, a panel of energy experts said Tuesday.

No shortages are expected in supplies of gasoline, jet fuel and heating oil. But supplies of propane already are at levels lower than last year and could present a ''potentially serious problem'' this winter, said Calvin Kent, of the federal Energy Information Administration.

Propane is used in great amounts by farmers and other food producers to dry crops and as a chemical feedstock. It is also used for heating and cooking.

''If we have a below average winter I think it is entirely possible to have a (propane) shortage,'' Kent said during a winter fuel outlook sponsored by the Petroleum Industry Research Foundation and the Department of Energy.

The Farmers Almanac has forecast the coming winter to be colder than last winter.

The EIA said propane stocks, as of Sept. 21, stood at 53 million barrels, down from 60.4 million barrels one year ago.

Heating oil stocks, however, remain abundant and no shortages are expected, Kent said.

Crude oil stocks have increased from year-ago levels to 367.4 million barrels from 334.9 million barrels and are adequate. The agency said gasoline stocks appear adequate at 222.2 million barrels, down from 227 million barrels a year ago.

Kerojet fuel stocks, used as aviation fuel, ''bear watching,'' Kent said. Supplies of kerojet fuel stood at 43.8 million barrels at Sept. 21, up from 41.1 million barrels a year ago.

''The supply is not as adequate as we would like,'' he said.

Refinery capacity is about the same this year while refinery utilization is running higher than year-ago levels.

The Persian Gulf crisis, which erupted following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, is expected to creat a shortfall of about 1 million barrels of oil daily worldwide by the end of the fourth quarter, Kent said.

''Anytime you have a shortfall there is a tendency for people to stockpile,'' he said, adding that this is one cause of rising oil prices.

John Lichtblau, chairman of the Petroleum Industry Research Foundation, said oil prices are expected to rise substantially should war break out in the

Middle East. Oil prices have more than doubled to $37 since the invasion.

''We have heard prices could reach $60, $65, even $100 a barrel,'' he said of various scenarios of wartime oil prices.

''It's very difficult (to predict),'' he said. ''It depends on how long a war would last. The initial impact would be a sensational oil increase. When the crisis is over the first thing you would see is a substantial decline.''

Richard Schmalensee, a member of the Council of Economic Advisers, said increased oil prices are likely to further slow the already sluggish U.S. economy.

Higher oil prices would force the United States to pay more for imports, reduce real income and consumption spending and contract already tight credit, he said.

''There is a wide consensus that increased oil prices would temporarily increase inflation and slow economic growth,'' he said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - A federal judge decided Tuesday to hear arguments about a number of crimes prosecutors claim fallen financier Michael Milken committed - but has not confessed to - before she sentences him on crimes he has admitted.

The hearing, to begin Oct. 9, will focus on four charges, including insider trading and stock manipulation, in the government's presentencing report, which accuses the former junk-bond king of a web of crimes far beyond those he has admitted.

The hearing will mark the first time witnesses against Milken will testify publicly in the case.

Milken, the former head of the high-risk, high-yield bonds at Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., has pleaded guilty to six felonies, including conpsiracy and mail fraud. The plea-bargain agreement reached with the government allowed him to avoid the toughest charges in a 98-count indictment he faced.

The list of possible government witnesses at the hearing includes Ivan Boesky, the former Wall Street arbitrageur turned government informant. Assistant U.S. Attorney John Carroll said he had not decided whether Boesky will in fact be called to the witness stand.

The government's presentencing memo, released publicly last week, accuses Milken, 44, of committing a three-year string of crimes with Boesky and

insider-trading schemes.

U.S. District Court Judge Kimba Wood has said she wants to limit the hearing to two weeks and to restrict each side to presenting 20 hours of testimony.

Arthur Liman, Milken's defense attorney, who has claimed the memo is ''grossly distorted,'' objected that he cannot fully refute prosecutors' claims nor cross-examine witnesses in that limited a time period.

The judge, who wants to use the allegations of other crimes to evaluate Milken's character, told Liman she wants ''as full a picture as you can present in the time available.''

The government said it will focus on four transactions involving MGM/UA Entertainment Co., Wickes Companies Inc., Caesars World Inc. and Storer Communications Inc.

According to the government, Milken gave Boesky confidential information on a proposed takeover of MGM by Turner Broadcasting System. Boesky then bought more than $3 million worth of MGM stock, and the two men secretly agreed to share the profits or losses, the government charged.

By doing so, Milken created ''false demand and support for MGM stock and ... he misappropriated information from Turner and MGM to generate illegal trading profits,'' the government memo charged.

In the Wickes case, Milken and Boesky manipulated stock prices on behalf of the California-based home products company that was a Drexel client, the government charged.

Milken also had Drexel use his personal retirement account to trade Caesars securities and earned a profit, even though Drexel's role in advising Caesars limited its trading for its own account, the government said.

Details of the Storer transaction were deleted from the public version of the government memo, which was edited to remove names of unindicted co-conspirators.

However, Lowell Milken, Milken's brother and former aide at Drexel, has since dropped his objections, so prosecutors will be able to release a fuller version of the Storer deal, attorneys said.

Criminal charges against Lowell Milken were dropped as part of his brother's plea bargain.

Michael Milken, who pleaded guilty in April, originally was scheduled to be sentenced Oct. 1. He faces a maximum possible sentence of 28 years in prison.

Boesky pleaded guilty to one felony count and agreed to pay $100 million in fines and penalties. In 1987, he was sentenced to three years in prison and was released from a Brooklyn, N.Y., halfway house last spring.

As part of his plea bargain, Milken, who earned as much as $550 million a year while at Drexel, has agreed to pay $600 million and to cooperate with the government after his sentencing.

Milken's attorney has asked that he be sentenced to probation and community service.

Drexel, citing liquidity problems, filed for federal bankruptcy protection in February.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 2) UPI - A museum curator, testifying Tuesday at the obscenity trial of an art gallery and its director, compared Robert Mapplethorpe to Vincent Van Gogh.

Robert Sobieszek, curator of the Eastman House in Rochester, N.Y., testifying by videotape, also said art - by definition - cannot be obscene or pornographic.

The Cincinnati Center for Contemporary Arts and its director, Dennis Barrie, are on trial in Hamilton County Municipal Court on charges of pandering obscenity and using a minor in nudity oriented material.

It is the first time an art gallery has faced obscenity charges. At issue are seven of 175 photographs displayed last spring in the exhibit ''Robert Mapplethorpe: The Perfect Moment.''

Five of the photographs depict sadomasochistic homosexual acts and the other two show children with their genitals exposed.

Also testifying Tuesday, by written deposition, was Lady Beatrix Mary Nevill of London, the mother of one of the two children in the pictures.

The photograph, taken in 1976 when the girl, Rose Bowdrey, was 2, shows her sitting on a porch, with her genital area exposed.

In the deposition, Nevill said she met Mapplethorpe at a friend's wedding and gave him permission to photograph her daughter.

''I think it's a very charming photograph,'' she said.

Nevill said she gave Mapplethorpe her consent to have the photograph displayed

in exhibitions. She also gave written permission for the picture to be published, although she admitted under cross-examination that her permission for publication did not come until after she saw the picture in a book of Mapplethorpe photos in 1985.

The girl was her daughter from her first marriage and she also admitted under cross examination that the girl's father had not approved.

Sobieszek said Mapplethorpe's depiction of homosexual acts was, in effect, an autobiography.

''It's not unlike Van Gogh painting himself with his ear torn off,'' he said. ''That's what happened in Van Gogh's life. Visual artists do that often.

''The Mapplethorpe exhibit told a story. The story was of a very full and rich artist who was interested in documenting what he felt was beautiful and elegant on one hand and ... tortured and troubled and his own personal experience (on the other hand).''

He strongly disagreed with Cincinnati authorities' contention that the photographs are obscene.

''If it's in the art museum, it's intended to be art,'' he said. ''If it's art it cannot be pornography.''

Sobieszek also discussed the selection process when a gallery decides to obtain an art exhibition.

He said a curator will look for a ''slant or bias'' in an artist's work and try to evaluate it to see if the exhibit is worthy of display.

''A curator is a mediator between the artist and the public,'' he said. ''They help try to deliver the message of the artist.''

When asked on cross-examination if Barrie had properly taken the Cincinnati community's values into consideration when deciding to obtain the Mapplethorpe photos, he said, ''There are checks and balances by the community and within the museum when it comes to responsibility for the artwork.

''They (museum officials) always think of the community and try to get as broad a range of public opinion as possible.''

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#90275u1797 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

DEARBORN, Mich. (OCT. 2) UPI - United Auto Workers President Owen Bieber said Tuesday the union could reach tentative agreement with Ford Motor Co. as early as this week on a new labor pact patterned after the one achieved at

General Motors Corp. Sept. 17.

But Peter Pestillo, vice president of corporate relations for Ford, called that ''an ambitious target,'' saying there were still several issues to be resolved before the GM contract could be fitted to Ford's needs.

While Pestillo said there was ''still an abundance of good will'' at the bargaining table, he cautioned that Ford ''would not follow any agreement lock step, willy-nilly.''

''It would be foolish of us to make an agreement with which we could not live '' he told reporters following a 25-minute maintable session with union negotiators at the No. 2 automaker's Dearborn, Mich., headquarters.

One issue may be the maximum $5 an hour penalty on overtime that is part of the GM contract - a concern to Ford since it relies the most heavily of the nation's Big Three automakers on the use of overtime.

The UAW negotiated stricter penalties against the use of excessive overtime at GM, requiring the automaker to pay into a joint skills and training fund proportionately higher overtime penalties.

Those penalties now range from the old maximum of $1.25 an hour under the old GM agreement, to $5 an hour for time worked in excess of 19 percent of straight-time pay.

Bieber said the union most likely would not set a deadline for completion of the talks, which affect about 100,000 hourly workers at Ford.

''We have not drawn that line in the sand,'' he said, adding that during the meeting, he urged both sides to step up the pace of bargaining now that they have had a chance to look over the GM/UAW pact, which won an 80 percent approval rate by GM workers over the weekend.

UAW Vice President Ernest Lofton, head of the union's Ford Dept., echoed Bieber by saying the GM/UAW pact is ''a contract that Ford workers feel very comfortable with, and one I think that Chrysler workers will feel equally comfortable with.''

''The pattern agreement has been set,'' Bieber said.

Pestillo did not appear concerned about whether the Persian Gulf crisis or threats of an economic recession would have any more of a bearing on the labor talks at Ford than it did with GM.

''Let's hope it is both modest in length and short in length,'' Pestillo said of any recession, adding that ''I don't think we know the depth of the downturn or the impact of the recent runup in fuel prices.''

Following ratification by Ford workers, the UAW will next take the GM/UAW pact to third-ranked Chrysler Corp. Industry observers expect the union may have a tough time there, since top Chrysler executives have openly labeled the pact as ''unaffordable.''

On other matters, Bieber said the UAW was ''very unhappy'' with the proposed budget compromise to reduce the federal deficit by $500 billion over the next five years, and that it will lobby against it.

''We have continuously opposed the idea of an increased tax on gasoline,'' Bieber said, adding that ''we think it hurts those who can least afford it.

''The budget proposal is, in our way of thinking, a regressive proposal,'' he said. ''It places an unacceptable, heavy and unfair burden on the lower- and middle-income Americans, and frankly, doesn't place enough responsibility on those who really enjoyed the wine and cheese during the last decade.''

Among other problems with the package, Bieber said he was especially upset over the part that proposes a mandated two-week waiting period before laid-off workers can receive unemployment compensation.

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#90275u1799 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

HONOLULU (OCT. 2) UPI - A Navy submarine has located and recovered the second half of a cargo door that tore off a United Airlines flight near Hawaii last year, killing nine people, officials said Tuesday.

The Sea Cliff, diving to the ocean floor 14,000 feet below the surface 100 miles south-southwest of Hawaii, found the top half of the door Monday during the eighth dive of its 17-day search, Navy Lt. Cmdr. Sandy Stairs said.

''They brought it up with the sub's mechanical jaws, just like they did with the other half, with a safety line connected to the bottom so they wouldn't lose it if it slipped out of the jaws,'' Stairs said.

The bottom 6-by-10-foot half of the door was recovered last Wednesday by the 31.5-foot, 58,000-pound Sea Cliff in what was called the second- deepest manned recovery ever attempted.

Both door sections will now be turned over to the National Transportation Safety Board.

The door and part of the fuselage ripped from the Boeing 747 at 22, 000 feet shortly after United Flight 811 left Honolulu bound for New Zealand on Feb. 24 1989 with 355 people aboard. The nine killed were swept from the plane.

The NTSB had said a preliminary examination of the top half of the door revealed that it had sustained a fracture near its midspan latch position.

An NTSB investigator said the door's master latch lock handle was locked but that, while the eight latch lock sectors were in the locked position, ''all of them are deformed.''

The safety board earlier this year blamed the accident on improper latching and flawed design of the cargo door locking mechanism, as well as maintenance and inspection problems.

But, the board, Federal Aviation Administration, United, and Boeing are anxious to examine the door to make a final determination of the cause of the accident.

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#90275u1803 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

GENEVA (OCT. 2) UPI - More than 5,000 new cases of AIDS were reported to the World Health Organization in September, mostly from Europe and the Americas, officials said Tuesday.

WHO officials said the cumulative total of documented cases since the U.N. agency began keeping figures a decade ago has risen to 288,337.

No new figures were received from the major AIDS-affected countries of East Africa - Zaire, Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania - the organization said.

Most of the 5,337 new cases reported since Sept. 1 came from the United States Germany, Switzerland and The Netherlands, all of which reported new figures.

The United States, with 144,221 reported cases over the decade, continued to provide slightly more than 50 percent of the total numer of documented cases.

However, WHO officials noted that the true figure of AIDS cases worldwide is far more than reported. Dr. Michael Merson, head of the Global AIDS Program said at a press conference in late September his best guess is there are 800,000 AIDS cases worldwide.

The discrepancy in reported cases versus actual cases comes from the lack of regular reporting from African countries, which lack the infrastructure to provide monthly figures, officials said.

Following the United States in the Oct. 2 report, the countries with the most reported AIDS cases were Uganda (12,444 cases), Zaire (11,732), Brazil (11,070), France (9,718), Kenya (9,139), Malawi (7,160), Italy (6,701) and Spain (6,210).

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#90275u1822 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	64 3-8	up 1-2
AT&T Company	31 3-4	off 1-2
BCE Inc	31	up 1-4
Bell Atlantic	49 5-8	up 1-2
BellSouth Corp	53 7-8	off 1-8
Exxon Corp	49 1-2	off 1-8
Ford Motor Co	32 1-2	up 1 1-4
Genl Electric	55 3-4	off 1-2
General Motors	37 1-8	up 3-8
GTE Corp	27 3-4	off 3-8
IBM Corp	108 1-4	off 3-4
Mobil Oil Corp	62	off 1 1-8
Nynex Corp	72 3-8	up 1 1-4
Pac Gas & Elec	22 1-8	up 3-8
Pacific Telesis	45 1-8	off 7-8
Phila Electric	15 1-4	unch
Sears Roebuck	26 1-2	up 1-4
Southern Co	24 5-8	unch
Sthwestern Bell	55 3-4	up 3-8
US West Inc	36 3-8	up 1-8

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#90275u1823 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1087.0
Monday	1077.2
Week ago	1093.5
Month ago	1098.9
Year ago	1112.1
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90275u1834 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
TORONTO (OCT. 2) UPI - General Motors of Canada Ltd. said Tuesday that production at its Scarborough, Ontario van plant will continue until spring 1993 - the second time its 2,700 workers have been given a reprieve this year.

Originally, the full-size Chevrolet and GMC van plant was to close in August, 1991. But in March, GM Canada said production would continue to August 1992.

GM Canada said the second extension was resulted from its ''current projection of market demand.''

Canadian Auto Workers union President Bob White said the plant will not be running ''as long as we would like, but it is a step in the right direction.''

White said the decision was not being viewed as part of the current round of negotiations, adding: ''It's not tied to any concessions.''

''We didn't try to wrap this up in a big red bow and take it back to the local as part of an overall agreement and say we've won something wonderful here,'' White said.

The CAW has set a Oct. 10 midnight deadline for a new three-year deal with GM Canada. The deal will be based on a CAW agreement reached last month with Ford Motor Co. of Canada.

GM Canada President George Peapples said in a statement that consolidation of the Scarborough plant with the GM's Flint, Mich., Truck and Bus operations would start in 1992 as planned.

But Peapples said ''another year is required to effectively coordinate (moving) tooling and equipment from Lordstown, Ohio and Scarborough to the Flint facility.''

Shifting production to Flint is a three-step process that involves halting production at Flint in the fall of 1991, ceasing production at Lordstown in 1992 and shifting equipment from Lordstown and Scarborough to Flint for a late summer 1992 startup.

Production at Scarborough is now scheduled to continue until the end of the model year in spring 1993 and then cease. A joint union and company committee looking into alternatives for the Scarborough plant has made little headway, White said.

The CAW wants the plant to remain open until Sept. 1993, when the contract currently being negotiated would expire. The CAW also wants the employees safeguarded under a new worker income security program.

Union officials argued that the plant could possibly become the sole manufacturing facility for GM's vans if there is a further decline in market share for large vans.

Bob Ryan, president of CAW Local 303 at the Scarborough plant, said the facility is ''incredibly profitable'' due to a $8-an-hour labor cost saving

vs. the two U.S. full-size van plants. He said the two-shift, five-day-a-week work schedule produces about 90,000 units a year.

The new consolidated Flint operation has a projected production level of 170,000 units a year.

GM Canada employs 36,500 CAW workers at 12 assembly, fabrication, trim and engine plants and a parts warehouse in Ontario and Quebec. The main complex in Oshawa, Ontario includes assembly plants for the Chevrolet Lumina, Buick Regal light duty and full-size trucks, plus two parts-making facilities.

White said despite a lot of meetings at the master, sub-committee and local bargaining levels, ''progress has been very, very slow.''

''The talks are not moving quickly,'' White said. ''There's no real momentum here yet.''

White said he expects GM Canada to meet the basic economic pattern set at Ford Canada.

After a nine-day strike Ford Canada's 13,000 workers accepted a deal that will give them raises of 3 percent in the first year and 2 percent in each of the second and third years, plus cost-of-living allowances.

The Canadian subsidiaries of Detroit's Big Three automakers - General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. - negotiate their agreements with the CAW separately from labor pacts negotiated between the parent carmakers and the U.S.-based United Auto Workers union.

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#90275u1837 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (OCT. 2) UPI - A rocket fired by U.S.-backed Afghan guerrillas slammed into a residential area of the capital Tuesday, killing at least 25 people and wounding 22 others in the bloodiest such attack this year, official Kabul radio reported.

It said the shell exploded in a group of people waiting to collect coal rations at a distribution point in the northern Sher-e-Nau neighborhood, where many foreign residents live.

The Pashto-language broadcast said at least 25 civilians died and 22 were wounded.

Kabul has suffered frequent rocket bombardments since April by the Moslem guerrillas, who are based mostly in Pakistan and backed by the United States and Saudi Arabia. Officials of the communist Afghan government say shelling have killed or wounded hundreds of people.

But Tuesday's casualty toll was the highest from any single such attack this year. In November 1989, at least 18 people died and many more were wounded when a shell hit a crowded cinema.

Afghan resistance leaders based in Pakistan recently have said they are preparing for a major assault against Kabul and appealed to civilians to vacate areas around military installations in the city.

Analysts see such a move as last-ditch bid by the guerrillas to prove they are still capable of overthrowing the communist government and thus encourage continued military backing by the United States.

Western diplomats in Pakistan have also reported increased military activity around Kabul recently.

The guerrillas have had little success on the battlefield despite the February 1989 withdrawal of Soviet troops backing the government. President Najibullah, meanwhile, has defied Western predictions of his swift overthrow following the pullout.

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#90275u1852 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2505.20	off	10.64
20 Trans	894.79	up	21.64
15 Utils	202.78	off	0.57
65 Stocks	885.86	up	3.16

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#90275u1854 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Tuesday	2505.20	off	10.64	894.79	up	21.64	202.78	off	0.57
Monday	2515.84	up	63.36	873.15	up	31.80	203.35	up	4.78
Week ago	2485.64	up	32.67	844.08	up	2.77	200.64	up	0.88
Month ago	2613.37	off	0.99	896.08	off	5.36	196.05	up	0.12
Year ago	2754.56	up	40.84	1459.28	up	4.09	217.56	up	1.07
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2427.48			828.03			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90275u1862 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.90

60 to 89 days 7.87

90 to 119 days 7.81

120 to 149 days 7.72

150 to 179 days 7.67

180 to 270 days 7.61

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.02 - 7.80

Issuers 30 days 7.95

Issuers 90 days 7.73

Issuers 270 days 7.48

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.04

60 to 89 days 8.02

90 to 119 days 8.07

120 to 149 days 8.02

150 to 179 days 8.02

180 days 8.02

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

1 month 8.00 - 8.125

3 month 8.00 - 8.125

6 month 8.00 - 8.125

Year 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.18 - 7.16

6 months 7.19 - 7.17

Year 7.11 - 7.09

Federal Funds: High 8 1/4, Low 8 1/8, Close 8 3-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.800 off 0.002.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90275u1884 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Tuesday - $39,430,000
1990 to date - $8,388,910,000

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#90275u1887 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) UPI - Chanting AIDS activists besieged the Health and Human Services Department Tuesday, claiming the government is wrongly denying disability benefits to women infected with the deadly AIDS virus.

Police arrested 18 of about 130 protesters when they obstructed a street in front of the department's headquarters, snarling traffic just a couple blocks from the Capitol.

The activists contend the Social Security Administration has unfairly denied disability benefits to women who have serious illnesses due to infection with the AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus or HIV.

Coming from as far as New York, Philadelphia and Oberlin, Ohio, the protesters many of whom belong to the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power or ACT UP, marched in a circle for at least two hours, staging ''die- ins'' and waving cardboard tombstones.

They also blew whistles and shouted slogans like: ''How many women have to die before you say they qualify?'' and ''Health care is a right, not just for the male and white.''

Homosexual men were the group hardest hit in the early years of the AIDS epidemic, first recognized in 1981. But the rate of infection is rising rapidly among women, and the number of AIDS cases reported among females shot up 45 percent in the last 12 months.

HIV is spread by sexual or blood-to-blood contact, like drug users sharing needles. It can also be transmitted from an infected woman to her baby. Ten years or more can pass from the time a person is infected with HIV until he or she develops full-blown AIDS.

The protesters claim the government relies primarily on the federal Centers for Disease Control's definition of acquired immune deficiency syndrome when deciding who gets disability benefits. That definition is outdated is because it is based on HIV-related symptoms found in white homosexual men, activists said.

Examples of illnesses that afflict HIV-infected women, but not men, are chronic pelvic inflammatory disease, vaginal thrush and cervical cancer. About two-thirds of HIV-infected women currently die without meeting the CDC's definition of full-blown AIDS.

Social Security Commissioner Gwendolyn King responded to the protest by saying her agency is not limited by the CDC's definition of AIDS in awarding disability benefits.

''The Social Security Administration is committed to assisting men, women and children ... with HIV who might qualify for monthly disability benefits to receive those benefits as expeditiously as possible,'' King said in a statement.

Phyllis Sharpe, 39, of New York, who is infected with the AIDS virus along

with her 3-year-old daughter, said she applied for disability benefits in April 1989 and was told her application was lost. Sharpe reapplied again in January 1990 and is still awaiting a decision.

The former transit worker, who is troubled by shortness of breath, severe vaginal infections, diarrhea and fatigue, said ''you have to be half-dead to be declared disabled.''

Dr. Suzanne Phillips of New York's Brooklyn Hospital also took part in the demonstration. Phillips said HIV-infected women often suffer from ''very severe and painful gynecological problems'' that fail to respond to treatment the way they would in women with healthy immune systems.

Karl Soehalein of New York came to Washington for the protest even though he was white, male and not infected with the AIDS virus.

''One goal of ACT UP is to end the AIDS crisis ... that includes women,'' Soehalein said. ''Men need to be there for women; women need to be there for men.''

The AIDS activists, who also filed a class-action lawsuit Monday, want the Social Security Administration to pay ''presumptive disability'' benefits to all HIV-infected claimants who have a doctor's report saying they cannot work. Such payments start almost immediately and continue for several months while the government investigates the patient's eligibility for long-term benefits.

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#90275u1896 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 2) UPI - U.S. District Judge Thelton Henderson, a former Kennedy-era civil rights attorney, will become the first black to preside as chief judge in any of the nine western states of the 9th Circuit.

Henderson, 56, takes over the post Nov. 16 now held by Chief Judge William Ingram, who has presided for two of the Northern California court's most tumultuous years.

The amiable and softspoken Henderson takes over Ingram's post through a seniority system within the court.

He will direct operations of the San Francisco-based 15-judge court with jurisdiction from San Jose to the Oregon state line and east to the Sacramento Valley.

U.S. District Judge Jack Tanner in Tacoma, Wash., who is also black, is next in line as a chief judge in the Western Washington area.

Tanner and Henderson are two of just six black district judges in the 9th

Circuit, which stretches from Montana west to Guam and from Alaska south to Arizona.

Henderson said Tuesday he considers the job ''a tremendous honor and a tremendous challenge. I really didn't want to take the job... I'm not certain about my inclinations as an administrator.''

But Henderson said, ''I got calls from every black federal judge in the country urging me to take the job. I don't know who put out the word but they convinced me it was important place of visibility for the black legal community.''

''It was that primarily that convinced me I ought to do it,'' he said.

Henderson broke the color barrier in the court as the first black appointed federal judge in Northern California when he was named by President Carter in 1980. He remains the only black jurist in the Northern California federal district.

In the 1960s, Henderson was arrested for a traffic violation in Mississippi, struck, called a ''nigger'' and jailed before he could show his credentials as a Justice Department civil rights attorney.

In 1986, while traveling in South Africa to share American civil rights experience with black lawyers fighting apartheid, Henderson was detained and questioned by South African police for several hours.

Henderson drew the envy of many of his judicial colleagues when he was tapped by filmmakers to play the role of a judge in the movie ''True Believer,'' starring James Woods.

During his ten years as a judge in the San Francisco-based court he gained a reputation for upholding discrimination claims and coming down hard on violent criminals.

He issued heavy sanctions against State Farm General Insurance Co. for discriminating against as many as 1,250 women in job applications.

Henderson also awarded $85,000 to a female San Francisco police trainee for on-the-job sexual harassment.

Federal judges wield immense power. Henderson has used his to hold jail conditions in Sonoma County unconstitutional. In 1982 he ordered construction of a new facility.

During the sentencing he said, ''It is ironic that the black community you... say spawned you is the same black community you... have terrorized and victimized by the violence of your drug addition.''

The Northern California court has been wracked in the past two years by the trial and conviction of fellow judge Robert Aguilar on a charge of conspiring with criminal defendants to obstruct justice.

The court has also been in the throes of a shortage of judges because a stalemate in Washington has prevented appointment of new jurists to fill vacancies.

Ingram, 66, said Tuesday Aguilar, who was in line for the job ahead of Henderson, has formally declined to serve.

Aguilar's volunteering to step aside frees the court of any potential embarrassment at having to contest giving the top job to a judge awaiting sentencing in a criminal case.

Ingram said he will retain a partial caseload when he steps down Nov. 15 to become a senior judge, a semi-retirement status.

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#90275u1900 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 2) UPI - The City Council voted Tuesday to outlaw animal sacrifice, making Los Angeles the first city in the nation to ban ritualistic slaughter under any circumstances.

The council voted 10-1 to enact the ordinance, making such killings punishable by up to six months in jail and a fine of up to $1,000.

Dissenting was Councilman Robert Farrell, who has argued such a law would restrict religious freedoms. He said in many immigrant communities, animal sacrifice is ''an expression of people's faith,'' particularly by those who practice Santeria, a form of Caribbean voodoo mixing Catholic and African rituals.

Although animal sacrifice is banned under state law, enforcing it requires prosecutors to prove that the animal was tortured, which is nearly impossible in most cases. The city law makes any ritualized maiming or killing of any animal other than for food preparation purposes a misdemeanor.

As many as 300 animal sacrifices have occurred in Los Angeles during the past year, leaving a trail of mutilated carcasses of all sorts of animals, but particularly dogs and cats, many of which were stolen pets that are often returned to their owners' lawns after being beheaded or disembowled.

The city's Department of Animal Regulation receives hundreds of complaints each year about animal sacrifices, but department officials believe hundreds more go unreported. A large number of killings have been linked to satanic

cult practices in addition to the Santeria groups.

Michael Burns, a city animal abuse expert, said officials have seen cases involving the beheading of not only dogs and cats, but pigs and cows. There was even one case involving a cape buffalo.

''Where they got a cape buffalo is beyond me,'' Burns told a City Council committee hearing when the ordinance was first being considered.

The ordinance was sponsored by Councilman Richard Alatorre and City Attorney James Hahn and drawn up after animal rights activists complained last October about the rise in animal mutilations.

''It's outrageous that in a civilized society people are using animals for such practices,'' Alatorre said.

Under the provisions of the ordinance, the city's Human Relations Commission will contact leaders in the Santeria community to explain the new law. There are no accurate figures of the number of city residents practicing Santeria, but some estimates run as high as 50,000.

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#90275u1901 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	309.63	up	1.19
High Technology	296.90	off	0.74
Capital Goods	326.12	up	0.56
Consumer Goods	368.50	up	2.89
Service	676.48	up	8.99
Retail	913.68	up	20.50
Financial	359.25	off	1.58
Natural Resources	244.14	off	0.57
Housing-Const-Land	300.51	up	2.40

There was a gain of 4 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	391.87	up	0.58
Mid Atlantic	397.85	up	2.70
No Central	402.43	up	6.31
So Atlantic	863.69	up	1.13
So Central	304.37	up	1.30
Mountain	109.38	off	1.36
Pacific	345.24	up	3.36
Foreign	239.13	off	0.73

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#90275u1906 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 2) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 172.59 up 0.37
ASE Market Value Index 309.63 up 1.19
Dow-Jones Industrial 2505.20 off 10.64

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#90275u1908 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 16,010,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,652,599,585
Bonds - $3,500,000
1990 to date - $543,274,000

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#90275u1913 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 188,320,000 shares
1990 to date - 30,126,687,482
Warrants - 1,351,700
1990 to date - 188,908,200

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#90275u1916 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 2) UPI - Countries hurt by the Persian Gulf embargo will receive close to $1.5 billion in economic assistance from 33 European nations, the United States and Canada, it was announced Tuesday.

The 35 members of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, known as the CSCE, will provide the short-term financial assistance first to the three countries most affected by the embargo of Iraq - Egypt, Turkey and Jordan, said Gianni DeMichelis, Italy's Foreign Minister and Chairman of the European Community.

Foreign Ministers of the CSCE nations were holding a two-day conference in New York in conjunction with the annual session of the United Nations General Assembly.

DeMichelis said that all CSCE members are ''fully implementing the embargo'' and see it as ''the essential condition for bringing about a peaceful solution to the crisis.''

''The Council is conscious of the grave burden which the present crisis imposes on the economy of many countries and in particular that steming from a rigouous application of the embargo,'' DeMichelis said.

The European Community will contribute about $500 million to the assistance program, while the remaining $1 billion will come from voluntary bilateral contributions from the remaining CSCE members.

The assistance will given in the form of grants, DeMichelis said, ''but provisions will also be made for the possibility of according loans or other forms of financial assistance.''

Countries other than Egypt, Jordan and Turkey who also will bear a heavy economic cost as a result of the land, air and sea embargo of Iraq, may be extended similar economic relief, as agreed upon by the CSCE's General Affairs Council on Sept. 17, the minister said.

In another developments at the CSCE conference, DeMichelis said 12 European Community ministers had discussed Monday a meeting with their Arab counterparts to discuss how best to move towards a peaceful resolution of the crisis.

The CSCE foreign ministers also discussed the future of Europe in the post-Cold war period and outlined some problems expected to alter the current rosy climate of cooperation, officials at the two-day conferencxe in new York said.

''Europe is still marked by substantial imbalances, especially in the economy and in the quality of envirionmental conservation,'' said Jiri Dienstbier, foreign minister of Czechoslovokia.

He spoke only hours before East and West Germany were to be reunited, a move many predict will open a whole new series of problems because of East Germany's ruined envirionment and economic destitution.

Dienstbier said, ''We fear that the building of a new Europe will not be successful if it does not lead to the establishment of an all- European economic, as well as social equilibirium.''

He said a planned CSCE summit meeting in Paris in November should lay out the framework for the future structure of Europe.

Hungarian Foreign Minister Geza Jeszensky raised another unsettled issue that is already beginning to cast a shadow over the post-Cold War period in Europe: the problem of national minorities, some of them living against their will in other countries because of borders that were arbitrarily drawn in 1945.

Hungary has raised the matter of ethnic Hungarians living in the Transylvanian section of Romania.

Jeszensky said, ''It is inconceivable to ensure the passage from the past to

the future without having found adequate answers'' to the nationality problems.

He proposed another meeting next year to consider the specific matter of ethnic minorities, separated by borders from their mother communities.

The 35 nations are generally agreed that the CSCE should institutionalize itself, that is, create a permanent secretariat, a parliamentary assembly and schedule regular sessions like the one held this week in New York.

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#90275u1917 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - An injectable, long-lasting birth control method received high marks from women in recent tests but was sent back to the drawing board to improve its reliabilty, researchers said Tuesday.

Norethindrone Microspheres prevented pregnancies for up to three months and 96 percent of the women who used it rated the approach ''very favorably,'' the researchers said. But the failure rate was deemed too high, they said.

The drug, made by Stolle Research and Development Corp. of Cincinnati, is a synthetic form of the commonly used contraceptive hormone progesterone. It is encased in polymer spheres of varying sizes that dissolve over time after being injected into a muscle.

''It's injected in the back hip,'' said Dr. Gary Grubb of Family Health International of Research Triangle Park, N.C., a non-profit group specializing in contraceptive research, at a meeting of the American Public Health Association.

Grubb and his colleagues surveyed 245 of 1,036 women involved in tests of the new contraceptive at 11 foreign medical centers and four centers in New York, Houston, Minneapolis and Charlottesville, N.C.

The tests were discontinued in April 1989 after scientists found methods for large-scale manufacturing of the steroid resulted in higher unwanted pregnancy rates at the preferred lower doses. At higher doses, the failure rate was 2.5 percent per year, versus 4 percent per year at lower doses, Grubb said.

The only side effects were irregular menstrual bleeding, headaches, nausea and weight gain, he said.

It may be five years before large-scale human studies are completed and the Food and Drug Administration can approve the drug, which would be first long-term injectable contraception licensed for American women, Grubb said.

Dr. Louise Tyrer of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America praised the drug. ''Any women who wants long-acting contreception without having to

remember to do anything, take a pill, check an IUD string or put something in prior to intercourse, is going find this an attractive method,'' she said.

The FDA is currently reviewing a similar approach known as Norplant, which is six matchstick-sized silicone rods that are surgically inserted under the skin of a woman's arm. The rods slowly release tiny amounts of a widely used synthetic hormone and can prevent pregnancy for five years.

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#90275u1920 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 2) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Tuesday	-	11,202,000
1990 to date	-	1,909,297,000

The market closed mixed.

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#90275u1925 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 310.17, low 308.26, close 309.63, up 1.19.

There was a gain of 4 cents in the average share price.

Volume 16,010,000 shares, compared with 17, 540,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	4
New Lows	36
Advances	338
Declines	229
Unchanged	236
Total Issues	803

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#90275u1936 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 2) UPI - United Airline employees, using more than $200 million in fees as bait, have lured some 20 banks into a syndicate to provide $2 billion in financing for a $3.7 billion buyout of UAL Corp., sources close to the deal said Tuesday.

''They're still working out some of the details but the financing is locked up '' said an investment banker familiar with the negotiations.

''It's just a matter of crossing the T's and dotting the I's,'' the banker said. ''They should have everything in place by tomorrow (Wednesday).''

A spokeswoman for the employee group, however, refused to comment on the group's progress in obtaining financing. UAL also declined comment.

UAL stock closed up $8.625 Tuesday at $112 on volume of 525,500 shares.

The employee group - United Employee Acquisition Corp. - had set Wenesday as its target date for arranging financing for its scaled-down bid.

UEAC must still sell the scaled-down deal to UAL directors.

The UAL board approved a $4.4 billion, $201 a share buyout bid from UAEC last April and gave the employee group until Aug. 9 to finance the deal.

The board extended the deadline to Oct. 9 when UAEC ran into trouble lining up financing.

But Iraq's invasion of Kuwait - and the resulting higher fuel costs and lower earnings for airlines - made that deal unfinanceable.

UEAC now hopes to sell directors on the scaled-down bid, hoping they can win support if they have financing in place.

UEAC pitched the proposal to 26 banks in hope of lining up $2 billion in bank financing. As an incentive, it offered bank and loan syndication fees totaling around $210 million.

Under the new proposal, the employee group would acquire 80 percent of UAL for about $175 per share - $150 of it in cash, and the remainder in preferred stock and a ''stub.''

Billionaire Marvin Davis, who withdrew his own bid for UAL Corp. last year, offered to join a proposed employee buyout last week but UEAC turned down the offer.

UEAC Chief Executive Officer Gerald Greenwald said the group was optimistic it could swing the deal without Davis' input.

But UAL Chairman Stephen Wolf is adamantly opposed to any scaling down of the $4.4 billion bid, a source close to Wolf said.

Wolf and UAL Exeecutive Vice President John Pope, the company's chief financial officer, are backing restructuring and expansion as the best course for bolstering stock value, the source said.

Going into a board meeting last week, UAL's 11 outside directors were reported almost evenly divided between working with the employee group on the revised buyout plan and Wolf's plan.

But a board source said the employee group could win support if it can show it has financing solidly in place.

The deciding factor is likely to be Coniston Partners, UAL's biggest stockholder.

Coniston, a New York investment group that holds nearly 10 percent of UAL' stock, pressured the board last spring to pursue the employee buyout instead of restructuring.

A Coniston spokesman, contacted Tuesday, refused to say if the group would back the scaled-down employee bid.

But analysts said Coniston - and UAL directors - probably would be hesitant to turn down the deal if it is fully financed.

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#90275u1966 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.11	up 0.06
10 Public Utils	90.80	up 0.25
10 Industrials	87.43	off 0.13

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#90275u1976 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Tue	Mon	Tue	Mon
Argntn austral	.000182	.000185	5507.00	5409.00
Australia dlr	.8295	.8312	1.2055	1.2031
Austria schill	.0913	.0917	10.95	10.91
Belgium franc-c	.0312	.0313	32.05	31.90
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0122	.0123	81.77	81.29
Britain pound	1.8870	1.8810	.5299	.5316
Britain 1-mo	1.8759	1.8695	.5331	.5349
Britain 3-mo	1.8562	1.8500	.5387	.5405
Britain 6-mo	1.8287	1.8225	.5468	.5487
Canada dollar	.8661	.8671	1.1546	1.1533

Canada 1-mo	.8628	.8642	1.1590	1.1572
Canada 3-mo	.8573	.8584	1.1665	1.1650
Canada 6-mo	.8494	.8504	1.1773	1.1759
Chile peso-f	.003478	.003481	287.53	287.31
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001916	.001935	522.01	516.75
Denmark krne	.1681	.1687	5.9488	5.9270
Ecudr sucre-z	.001183	.001183	845.33	845.33
Egypt pound	.3706	.3706	2.6983	2.6983
Finlnd mrkka	.2709	.2714	3.6920	3.6850
France franc	.1924	.1915	5.1985	5.2210
France 1-mo	.1921	.1912	5.2067	5.2293
France 3-mo	.1914	.1905	5.2260	5.2488
France 6-mo	.1902	.1894	5.2570	5.2790
Greece drach	.006542	.006562	152.86	152.40
Hollnd guildr	.5719	.5693	1.7485	1.7565
HongKong dlr	.1289	.1288	7.7600	7.7610
India rupee	.0558	.0558	17.93	17.93
Indo'sa rupia	.000541	.000541	1847.00	1847.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7245	1.7293	0.5799	0.5783
Israel shekel	.5003	.4975	1.9990	2.0100
Italy lira	.000861	.000856	1161.50	1167.75
Japan yen	.007313	.007314	136.75	136.73
Japan 1-mo	.007329	.007319	136.45	136.63
Japan 3-mo	.007334	.007324	136.35	136.53
Japan 6-mo	.007338	.007386	136.27	135.40
Jordan dinar	1.5579	1.5555	.6419	.6429
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000347	2879.00	2878.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6182	.6183	1.6176	1.6173
Norway krne	.1660	.1661	6.0250	6.0220
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	431,430	431,430
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007294	.007323	137.09	136.56
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5683	.5683	1.7595	1.7595
S.Africa rand	.3901	.3912	2.5635	2.5560
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010262	.010278	97.45	97.30
Sweden krona	.1745	.1747	5.7300	5.7250
Switzrl franc	.7749	.7767	1.2905	1.2875
Switzrl 1-mo	.7746	.7771	1.2910	1.2869
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7747	.7771	1.2909	1.2868
Switzrl 6-mo	.7744	.7761	1.2914	1.2885

Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.80	26.80
Turkey lira	.000370	.000370	2701.00	2706.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Venez bolivr-z	.0210	.0210	47.67	47.67
W.Ger Mark	.6445	.6421	1.5515	1.5575
W.Ger 1-mo	.6445	.6419	1.5517	1.5578
W.Ger 3-mo	.6438	.6413	1.5532	1.5593
W.Ger 6-mo	.6424	.6398	1.5567	1.5630
Yugosl dinar	.0935	.0933	10.69	10.72

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	30.80-30.85	33.80-33.85
North Sea Brent	35.20-35.30	38.50-38.55
West Texas Intermed	33.95-34.00	37.05-37.10
Light Louisiana Sweet	35.05-35.20	38.10-38.25
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	89.95-90.20	96.80-97.00
No. 2 Heating oil	90.75-91.00	97.80-98.05
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	85.45-85.95	92.30-92.40
No. 2 Heating oil	89.00-89.25	96.95-97.15

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.
KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	233.00	235.50	231.85	232.10	232.30
Mar	....	....	....	234.30	234.50
Jun	....	....	....	237.30	237.50

Previous day volume: 101 contracts.
Open interest: 1,176 off 5
CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	319.40	323.50	317.55	318.35	318.25
Mar	322.20	326.20	320.40	321.05	320.85
Jun	326.00	329.50	323.70	324.05	324.00

Today's estimated volume: 51,284 contracts.
Open interest: 153,498 up 647
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	174.85	176.80	173.50	174.05	174.25
Mar	176.40	178.00	175.00	175.45	175.60
Jun	177.50	179.00	177.50	176.85	176.95

Open interest: 4,863 up 377
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	532.00	533.70	524.20	525.00	527.70
Nov	531.25	533.50	524.60	524.90	527.85
Dec	534.50	535.50	526.75	527.15	529.80

Estimated volume 4,552 contracts.
Open interest: 7,223 up 178

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#90275u1981 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Tuesday	371.05	224.15	137.39	21.44	315.21
Monday	370.54	221.24	137.36	21.59	314.94
Week ago	363.73	217.60	131.75	21.21	308.26
Month ago	382.85	230.60	128.52	23.98	323.09
Year ago	404.44	316.90	143.50	35.00	354.71
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	355.10	213.23	124.60	19.88	300.97

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#90275u1984 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	370.54	221.24	137.36	21.59	314.94
Opening	374.24	225.43	138.55	21.98	318.25
11 a.m.	374.57	227.47	138.57	21.92	318.46
Noon	374.96	227.86	138.47	21.90	318.70
1 p.m.	376.17	228.62	138.76	21.96	319.66
2 p.m.	374.35	226.94	138.33	21.78	318.10
3 p.m.	373.12	226.13	137.95	21.60	316.97
Close	371.05	224.15	137.39	21.44	315.21
Change	up 0.51	up 2.91	up 0.03	off 0.15	up 0.27

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#90275u1985 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) UPI - The United States and Soviet Union have agreed to take part in an international observer force to police a potential cease-fire and elections to end Angola's 15-year civil war, officials said Tuesday.

Word of the superpower agreement came as President Bush met with Angolan rebel leader Jonas Savimbi at the White House and expressed his continued support for the rebel National Union for the Total Independence of Angola, or UNITA, and Savimbi's efforts to win the cease-fire and free elections.

Savimbi, in town to shore up support as Congress is considering whether to continue aid to the oil-rich Southern African nation, welcomed the direct U.S.-Soviet role in peace efforts and reported that the talks to end the conflict between the rebels and the leftist Angolan government were on track.

''I think the negotiations are going well with the MPLA,'' Savimbi said of the government's Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola. ''We think it's just a matter of more rounds of talks and then we may get (a cease-fire.)''

Moscow, backed by Cuban troops that are now withdrawing from the country, has supported Angola with 1,100 advisers and $800 million in annual military aid while Washington backs UNITA with $60 million in covert military assistance.

A senior administration official, who attended the Bush-Savimbi session, said the superpowers had agreed to accept an invitation from the two sides in the standoff to join an international force to oversee a cease-fire followed by elections as observers.

The official, who asked not to be identified, said the force would be modeled after the U.N.-sponsored group that helped settle the fighting between South Africa and a guerrilla group in Namibia in 1989. ''It would be patterned after that,'' said the official, although no U.N. connection was envisioned at this point.

Savimbi said he would welcome the U.S.-Soviet participation.

''Yes, we do, and we were also instrumental to that the Americans and the Russians should participate also in negotiations,'' he told reporters.

The rebel leader also reported that Bush ''thinks that's a good thing so that the Russians can also cooperate in Angola to find a peaceful solution as they did in other parts of the world.''

The U.S. official said Bush listened to Savimbi's ''analysis of the negotiations, express(ed) optimism ... saying we continue to support Dr. Savimbi's objectives of a free election.''

Savimbi's visit coincided with a move in Congress, as well as among some black leaders, to end the aid to UNITA, which, because it is covert, has been provided without open debate in the House and Senate.

UNITA opponents, several of whom demonstrated loudly across the street from the White House while Savimbi was inside, argue that Savimbi is an opportunist rather than a champion of democracy and that his record included torture.

The administration official said human rights issues were not discussed between Bush and the rebel leader, and he opposed a move under consideration by the House Rules Committee to make debate on renewing the aid public.

''We would prefer to keep it in the covert action channel,'' the official said because of the ''lot of legal requirements'' that would ensue.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said continued support for the rebel leader was critical to finally winning peace in the conflict that has cost hundreds of thousands of lives.

''The president believes that the steadfastness of that support is a key factor in pushing the current negotiations to a successful conclusion,'' Fitzwater said.

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#90275u1986 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	356.39	up	1.74	354.78	477.28
Industrial	380.47	up	0.24	380.48	461.67
Finance	350.41	up	2.91	352.07	564.15
Insurance	416.56	up	4.54	421.59	542.27
Utility	491.62	up	8.09	468.13	772.54

Bank	255.26	up	2.67	257.11	478.19
Transport	399.95	up	4.72	393.17	480.66
Composite	1990 High 469.60				

1990 Low 341.19

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	156.14	up	0.78
Industrial Index	150.45	up	0.07
NASDAQ-100 Index	369.84	up	0.37

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#90275u1993 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Unisys Corp	3,206,600	3 7/8	off	1 1/8
Genl Electric	2,479,400	55 3/4	off	1/2
Philip Morris	2,408,400	47 7/8	up	1/8
Wal-Mart Strs	2,232,400	29 1/2	up	1/2
Varity Corp	2,154,400	2 1/8	unch	
PepsiCo Inc	2,089,900	24 1/2	off	1/8
Waste Mangment	2,039,900	34 1/2	up	1/4
Limited Inc	1,969,000	14 1/4	up	1/8
Eastman Kodak	1,957,700	38	off	1 5/8
IBM Corp	1,893,100	108 1/4	off	3/4
Citicorp	1,848,100	14 1/4	off	7/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,702,100	29 1/4	off	3/8
Emerging Mex Fd	1,691,400	12	unch	
Boeing Co	1,689,000	43 1/4	off	1
AT&T Company	1,628,400	31 3/4	off	1/2

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#90275u1996 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 2) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.15	8.25	9.08
91-day Treasury bills	7.41	7.36	7.78
182-day Treasury bills	7.55	7.53	7.86
1-year Treasury bills	7.61	7.64	7.79
3-year Treasury notes	8.06	8.12	8.37
7-year Treasury notes	8.58	8.63	8.30
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.83	8.85	8.18

10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.23	9.23	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.85	9.90	9.19
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.15	9.19	9.20
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.39	9.43	9.10
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.42	9.46	9.36
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.40	9.43	9.35

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90275u1997 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
ENSCO	1,537,000	3 1/2	unch	
Salomon wt Jan	1,012,900	18 3/4	off	1 7/8
Painw W Gr wtB	688,800	8 5/8	off	1 1/8
Carnival Cruise	553,500	13 7/8	up	1
Denmark K wt	481,200	19 3/4	off	1 1/2
Eksport wt	447,000	8 7/8	off	1
Salomon wt Feb	398,600	20	off	1 3/8
Salomon wt Apr	331,800	2 5/8	off	3/8
Hasbro Inc	284,000	13 1/4	off	1/4
Fruit of Loom	274,900	8 5/8	off	3/4

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#90275u1998 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Chester Dorough, an octogenarian from Birmingham, Ala., will collect $8 million as the first winner in an NBC-McDonald's promotion, it was announced today.

Dorough, 80, who retired in 1969 after 33 years with the Alabama Social Security office, said he would use the money to help his children - to pay off his debts and theirs.

''Maybe I'll buy me a new suit,'' he said.

He doesn't plan to replace his car - a 1979 Toyota Corolla hatchback - because

he said, it runs fine.

Dorough was the first winner in the ''McMillions On NBC'' promotion, in which cards you pick up at the fast-food franchises carry numbers. The winning number is revealed during an NBC show. When the $1 million prize is unclaimed, it rolls over and is added to the next one.

Since the contest began on Sept. 24, Dorough has been going to McDonald's for one or two meals every day - and to pick up a ticket. On Oct. 1, he ate breakfast, lunch and dinner at the fast-food restaurant and then watched ''Ferris Bueller'' that night for the winning number.

Dorough has three son and one daughter, 12 grandchildrern, two great grandchildren and a third on the way.

The new millionaire said he attributes his good health to giving up smoking years ago except for an occasional cigar, no drinking and good overall nutrition.

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#90275u2003 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 2) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Tuesday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6000	off	100
CapCiti/ABC	491	up	10 7/8
UAL Corp	111 7/8	up	8 1/2
GTE Corp pf	75 1/2	up	8
Atl Rch pfC	317	off	7
Kyocera Ltd	95 3/4	up	6 3/4
Matsushita El	138 1/2	up	6 1/2
Phila El pfD	43	off	6
Con Ed pfB	274	up	5 1/2
Pioneer El	64 1/2	up	4 1/2

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#90275u2013 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	135,805,800
Advances	1,122
Declines	825
Unchanged	2,296
Total	4,243

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#90275u2014 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 2) UPI - Oil prices plummeted Tuesday, with crude falling more than $3 a barrel and heating oil 8 cents a gallon on perceptions Middle East tensions are easing and the Persian Gulf crisis may be heading toward a peaceful settlement.

Following Monday's $2.42-a-barrel plunge on the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery dove $3.14 from Monday's close to $33.95 a barrel, a drop of 14 percent over two days of trading.

Home heating oil for November delivery fell 8 cents on the day to 92.03 cents a gallon with December and other later-month delivery contracts dropping the Merc's 4-cent limit.

November delivery unleaded gasoline plummeted 6.98 cents to 91.5 cents a gallon with later-month delivery contracts also plunging the exchange's 4-cent limit.

Sun Co., Radnor, Pa., and Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio-based unit of USX Corp., dropped the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead by $3 a barrel to $32.75 a barrel for WTI.

The two companies also had reduced their posted prices by $2 or more a barrel Monday.

''The market has been trading on news and has to be constantly fed. There has been no news except for slightly conciliatory statements by President Bush and Saddam Iraqi President Hussein,'' said Ernie Stamper, administrative vice president of Ashland Oil Inc., Ashland, Ky.

''It's basically the same scenario as Monday - an easing of tensions in the Middle East. People feel a peaceful settlement can be reached through negotiations. That's why we're down,'' said Thomas Blakeslee of the Pegasus Econometrics Group of Hoboken, N.J.

Stamper said trading Tuesday was predicated on prices going lower.

''Sellers were saying prices may be lower tomorrow and capturing some profits today. If I'm a buyer maybe I can get a better price later so why not wait until tomorrow,'' said Stamper, who buys Ashland's crude.

''It's a typical reaction; it's the magnitude that scary,'' he added.

On future prices, Stamper said, ''It's impossible to discern any trend here. We're trading headline to headline.''

The drop in oil prices was reflected in a rise, if only temporary, in stock prices on the world stock markets.

In Tokyo, the Nikkei index rose a record 2676.55 points on the day. After being up 33 points as a result of lower oil prices, profit taking later drove the Dow industrials down 10.64 points on the New York Stock Exchange.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was down $3.30 to $35.20 a barrel, bringing its two-day drop to $5.60, or 13.7 percent. It had fallen $2.30 a barrel Monday.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - declined $3 to $30.80 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt-delivery WTI was down $3.10 to $33.95 a barrel.

In his speech Monday to the United Nations in New York, Bush held out hopes of a diplomatic settlement of the Gulf crisis ''in the aftermath of Iraq's unconditional departure from Kuwait,'' occupied since the Aug. 2 invasion.

Bush's overture followed statements Sunday by Saddam that Iraq would seek to open discussions with France on the basis of settlement terms French President Francois Mitterrand offered last week in a U.N. speech.

The French government, however, denied Monday Saddam's assertion Baghdad and Paris had established special contacts to discuss the crisis.

In his U.N. speech, Mitterrand had said all the issues brought up by Saddam, including demands for setting up a Palestinian homeland, could be discussed once Iraq withdrew from occupied Kuwait.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	13	10	4
New lows	82	126	307

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	1,000	93,835,000
Declines	581	78,933,400
Unchanged	425	15,551,600
Total	2,006	188,320,000

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(OCT. 2) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	4
New lows	36

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	338	5,463,600
Declines	229	6,965,500
Unchanged	236	3,580,900
Total	803	16,010,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Interest-rate considerations pushed the dollar down against the key European currencies in lackluster New York trading Tuesday, but it held firm against Japan's yen despite a rally in Tokyo stocks.

Currency analysts related the strengthening of the German mark, Swiss franc and other main European units to follow-up dollar selling in the wake of the Washington proposal to slash the U.S. budget deficit.

The Federal Reserve is expected to bring down short-term U.S. interest rates in response to the pact, making the dollar less competitive.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.5485 an ounce, down from 1.5575 marks Monday, and at 136.75 Japanese yen, up from 136.60.

Chief dealer John McCarthy of the Amsterdam-Rotterdam Bank voiced perplexity at the yen's poor performance despite a record rally of 2,677 points Tuesday by the Tokyo Stock Exchange's blue-chip Nikkei average.

''The yen is in its own world, it just moves where it wants to,'' he said. But he advanced the theory that international market participants saw the Tokyo rally as mainly technical and unlikely to have a follow- through.

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank vice president Audrey McNiff, too, cited a ''somewhat skeptical reaction'' to the Nikkei's takeoff. She said the yen fell against the mark, with the result that it also weakened versus the dollar.

Though expectations of lower U.S. interest rates hurt the dollar on balance, McNiff reported ''a mixed signal'' as to what the budget agreement means. Lower interest rates might hurt the dollar, but rising stock and bond markets could brace it by attracting roving global funds.

The British pound ended at $1..8920 an ounce, up from $1.8840.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2880 Swiss francs, down from 1.2960; 5.1900 French francs, off from 5.2190; and 1,159.30 Italian lire, off from 1,167.25.

In Europe, the dollar closed higher against the major currencies, trading in a narrow range as players awaited new market-moving factors.

''There's not an awful lot happening. The dollar is range trading. As soon as it hits the top of the range, everyone turns around and off we go down again '' said Jerry Hughes, a currency dealer at Barclays de Zoete Wedd Bank.

''It's very quiet, very nervous. The market is just waiting for something to happen,'' he added.

In London, the pound eased against the dollar to end at $1.8870 vs. $1.8890.

The dollar closed higher in Frankfurt at 1.5579 German marks vs. 1.5511, and was also higher in Zurich, at 1.2955 Swiss francs from 1.2865.

The dollar was unchanged in Paris at 5.2220 French francs vs. 5.1945, and in Milan was also unchanged at 1,162.55 Italian lire. But it rose in Brussels to 32.07 Belgian francs vs. 31.93 Monday.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar fell against the yen as dollar-selling continued under the influence of the U.S. budget-deficit pact. The U.S. unit closed at 136.73 yen, off from 137.15 at close of trading Monday.

But dealers said they expected bargain hunters to repurchase the dollar after it had reached a market floor. Sumitomo Bank analyst Masato Nakamura said he believed the dollar had about reached that point.

Gold closed lower in Zurich at $388.75 an ounce vs. $395.50. It also slipped in London, to $388.50 an ounce vs. $396.50.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $389.50 an ounce, up from $387 Monday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $389.10 an ounce, down from $386.60.

Silver closed lower in Zurich at $4.70 an ounce vs. $4.75. In London it fell to $4.71 an ounce from $4.80.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.70 an ounce, off from $4.665. Comex silver finished trading at $4.679 an ounce, up from $4.61.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	174.69	172.59	172.59	up 0.37
Industrial	217.60	214.97	214.97	up 0.53
Transport	139.00	136.91	136.91	up 2.14
Utility	87.76	86.91	86.91	up 0.09
Finance	115.48	113.76	113.76	off 0.05

Equivalent to a gain of 6 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 188,320,000 shares.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - The United States flexed its military muscle in the Persian Gulf a day after President Bush offered fresh optimism that the crisis could be resolved peacefully, and Iraq made its third conciliatory gesture Tuesday in as many days.

''Iraq is ready to destroy weapons of mass destruction provided this measure included all the states of the region, including Israel,'' an Iraqi Foreign Ministry spokesman was quoted as saying by the official Iraqi news agency.

Iraq's latest announcement comes one day after Iraq released nine French hostages who had been held along with other Westerners at key sites as a human shield against possible attack by the U.S.-led multinational force in the gulf region, and two days after an announcement by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that he was willing to consider a French plan to resolve the crisis.

The French plan, proposed by President Francois Mitterrand during a speech to the United Nations last week, differed from other peace initiatives by linking the invasion of Kuwait with the Palestinian problem, which the United States has contended is a separate problem.

President Bush, in a speech at the United Nations Monday, praised the French plan and told Saddam Hussein that pulling out of occupied Kuwait may raise new ''opportunities.'' He also called for the destruction of weapons in the region particularly Iraq's chemical arsenal.

Less than 24 hours after Bush's remarks offered new optimism that the crisis with Iraq could be settled without war, the United States put on a show of strength, sending an aircraft carrier into the dangerous waters of the Persian

Gulf for the first time in 16 years and staging a 15,000-Marine mock amphibious assault.

The Pentagon disclosed that the USS Independence aircraft carrier battle group moved from the Gulf of Oman, through the Strait of Hormuz and into the Persian Gulf Monday night, making it the first carrier to enter the gulf since 1974.

And the 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade - a force of 15,000 Marines, mostly from Camp Lejeune, N.C. - was staging amphibious landings on a remote beach in the northern Arabian Sea. A Pentagon spokesman said 18 ships and 90 helicopters were involved in the exercise that began Monday and would continue through Friday.

Like the United States, Iraq also alternated its concilatory approach with saber rattling.

Iraqi newspapers said Baghdad was responsible for ''finding a reasonable and comprehensive settlement to the issues in the region.'' But in case the West concluded Iraq was ready for peace at an price, the newspapers included warnings that the Iraqi military would inflict severe damage if war were to break out.

And an official Iraqi spokesman was quoted by the official Iraqi News agency as criticizing Bush's speech, saying the U.S. president had ''concealed in his oily words about destructive weapons and peace, his premeditated aggressive intentions and acts against the Arab nation.''

Analysts say that by linking his withdrawal from Kuwait with the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, Saddam hopes to emerge from the crisis as a hero to the Arab world rather than a loser forced out of the tiny emirate by the U.N.-imposed economic embargo and the U.S.-led multinational military force in the region.

In other developments Tuesday:

-A French frigate off the coast of Djibouti fired across the bow of a North Korean merchant ship that refused to stop for inspection in compliance with the U.N. trade embargo against Iraq. Navy sources in Paris said the frigate Doudart de Lagree patrolling in the strait of Bab El-Mandeb, connecting the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden near the Arabian Sea, gave a verbal warning and fired blank warning shots at the cargo ship Sam Il Po. When the ship failed to respond, the frigate blasted a warning shot from close range across its bows and the vessel subsequently stopped. A French inspection party boarded the vessel. It was not immediately clear what the ship's cargo contained.

-Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu arrived in Egypt on the first stop in a Middle East tour expected to focus on Japan's aid to countries hurt economically by the crisis. Kaifu is scheduled to leave for Jordan Wednesday,

where he is expected to meet with Jordan's King Hussein. Japan has pledged $4 billion to help fund the international response to Iraq, but has been criticized by some for not sending military personnel as well.

-On the eve of Kaifu's arrival, Jordan said it would be unable to continue to help financing the transport of Asian refugees without aid. Jordan said although the government had been promised $100 million in refugee aid, only $1.7 million had been received so far.

-The Simon Wiesenthal Center charged that more than 200 Western companies, including 86 West German firms, supplied Iraq with components for chemical weapons as late as 1989. According to a report released by the center, the national Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta also inadvertently provided Iraq with a strain of virus that ended up in biological warheads.

Lethal chemicals continue to filter into Iraq ''to this very date,'' enabling a single Iraqi plant to produce 5,280 tons of deadly nerve gases each year, the Wiesenthal Center's Rabbi Marvin Hier alleged.

-Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak charged that Saddam Hussein held covert talks with Israel and that his occupation of Kuwait helped the Jewish state by giving it a pretext to refuse to withdraw from Lebanon and the occupied territories. Mubarak also told French television the Iraqi leader had never exerted any effort to solve the Palestinian problem until the multinational response to the invasion of Kuwait backed him against a wall.

-The U.S. Senate adopted a resolution supporting Bush's handling of the Persian Gulf crisis amid assurances from Democratic leaders that the measure would not hand the president a ''blank check'' for future military action. The resolution approved 96-3 came one day after the House voted 380-29 for a resolution that also applauded the president while urging Bush to emphasize ''diplomatic and non-military means'' in solving the crisis.

-Amnesty International condemned Iraq for executing and torturing civilians opposed to its invasion of Kuwait and for human-rights abuses against Western detainees. The international human-rights watchdog organization said Iraqi troops were ''summarily executing'' Kuwaitis for possession of the Kuwaiti flag or pictures of the deposed emir of Kuwait, or even for failing to follow orders to post photographs of Saddam Hussein.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) UPI - President Bush, previewing a pitch he planned for a speech to the nation Tuesday, urged opponents of a compromise budget plan to cut spending and boost taxes to support the measure because ''the country is at stake.''

Bush, who scheduled a 10-minute televised talk at 9 p.m. EDT, spent much of the day privately pleading with reluctant House Republicans to support the $500 billion deficit reduction plan he announced with congressional leaders on Sunday.

During one of those White House meetings, ''the president made a personal appeal'' for support, said House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois, who was there.

'''Help me', I think he said. 'I need help,'' Michel quoted Bush as telling the GOP lawmakers. Many House Republicans have said they would oppose the budget deal when it comes up for a House floor vote on Thursday.

Quick action is needed since the government is now operating under a temporary spending measure that expires Friday.

The budget deal, worked out under the gun of automatic spending cuts that would have taken effect Monday with the beginning of the 1991 fiscal year, is aimed at erasing the budget deficit.

Over five years, it would generate $134 billion in revenue from increased taxes on such American staples as beer and gasoline, as well as on luxury items like fur coats and fancy cars, and by changing some tax rules.

The spending cuts would strike hardest at the Pentagon, in the Medicare health program for the elderly, and farm programs.

Bush announced his plans to use a TV address to lobby for the budget compromise during a speech to business leaders.

''The budget is tough, it really is,'' Bush said. ''It is a solid package to boost economic growth and solve long-term problems without having the burden fall entirely on any one group.

''I would like those who have reservations to take a hard look at it, study it consider the fact that alternatives have been tried but we weren't able to get them through. ... The country is at stake here.''

Acknowledging the plan includes something for everyone to hate, Bush told critics of the deal, ''You can pick the package apart but you cannot realistically put a better package together.''

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine arranged to give a Democratic response after Bush's address.

On Capitol Hill, House Democratic leaders delayed the first scheduled vote on the budget from Wednesday until Thursday to give Bush and Michel more time to nail down a majority of House Republicans to back the deal.

Facing the realities of an election year, negotiators decided any agreement must win the support of a majority of both Democrats and Republicans in both the House and Senate to prevent one party from blaming the other for the painful effects of the accord.

Rep. Vin Weber, R-Minn., an opponent of the budget deal, told reporters that as of mid-day Tuesday there were ''90 guys ... against the deal'' - more than half the 176 House Republicans. But he added, ''The president, if he wants to, can probably win this fight. If he makes it a personal loyalty test, he'll win.''

Michel said Bush's message to the Republicans was that he had ''put a lot on the line'' by abandoning his ''no new taxes'' campaign pledge to strike a deal with Congress.

He said Bush told them the plan holds real savings in expensive benefit programs, had limited military spending cuts to acceptable levels, had prevented income tax rates on the rich from rising, as Democrats wanted, and includes firm limits on future spending.

After meeting with Bush, Reps. Thomas Coleman, R-Mo., and Don Sundquist, R-Tenn., said they had been persuaded to back the package.

Rep. Clay Shaw, R-Fla., who represents many elderly in the Fort Lauderdale area, said that even though the package gives him ''major heartburns'' because of the Medicare cuts, ''I'm leaning very heavily in support of the package.''

House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said he was ''not pessimistic'' about chances the budget deal will pass but that ''there's always a chance'' it would fail.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 2) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev, whose new diplomacy made the reunification of Germany possible, congratulated the German nation Tuesday on its unification and said ''we expect much of our new relations.''

In a telegram sent to German President Richard Von Weizsaecker and Chancellor Helmut Kohl on the eve of unification, the Soviet President said: ''Please accept my congratulations to you and all the German people.''

''The unification of Germany, which takes place in full accord with neighbors and other states and nations is a great event not only for Germans.''

In his message, Gorbachev did not dwell on the immense losses the Soviet Union suffered at the hands of Germany during World War II but instead referred to

it as a lesson for all.

''It (unification) occurs at the watershed of two epochs,'' he said. ''It has become a symbol and I hope it will be a factor in establishing a universal order of peace.

''Unification could not have taken place if there had not been profound internal democratic changes in our countries, if the right conclusions from the tragedy of the most horrible war had not been reflected in real life.

''On this remarkable day I want to pay tribute to all those in my country and in your country who, overcoming sorrows, remembering losses and honoring the dead, did not yield to prejudice and fears, but persistently worked for the future, making this peaceful and worthy solution of the German issue possible.''

Gorbachev, whose troops' exit from the eastern part of Germany will be paid for by the Germans, said he looked forward to growing ties with the now united giant state in the middle of Europe and viewed Germany as a natural Soviet partner.

''We expect much of our new relations with Germany,'' he said. ''History, the deep roots of mutual influence and gravitation, the position of our countries in Europe and the world, and their colossal and mutually supplementing potential make many-sided cooperation between them possible and natural.

''I hope the treaty of good neighborly relations, partnership and cooperation, which will be concluded soon and which should lay the foundation for our relations, will help achieve this goal.

''I wish the great German nation happiness, prosperity and eternal peace in good-neighborliness and friendship between European peoples,'' he said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 2) UPI - President Bush, in a taped message from the Oval Office, congratulated the people of Germany Tuesday for the reunification of their long-divided nation.

''Today, the German nation enters a new era,'' Bush said. ''An era, in the words of your national anthem of 'unity and justice and freedom.'... Let me say on behalf of all Americans, may God bless the people of Germany.''

Bush declined an invitation to go to Germany's for the reunification ceremony, set Wednesday, saying he did not want to become a foreign distraction at an emotional national event.

But the president planned to host a ceremony of his own in the Rose Garden Wednesday to celebrate Germany's unification as well as German- American Day.

Earlier Tuesday, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee unanimously approved the treaty that provided for the reunification of Germany and sent the measure to the full Senate for consideration.

The treaty was signed Sept. 12 by the four occupying powers from World War II - the United States, the Soviet Union, Great Britain and France - as well as West and East Germany. Key provisions end four-power rights over Germany and Berlin and confine the united Germany to the borders of the two current German states.

Bush taped his message to the German people for broadcast on German television.

In it, the president noted the United States' role in helping reunify Germany - a nation divided 45 years ago after being defeated in World War II - and obtain full membership for it in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

''America is proud to count itself among the friends and allies of free Germany, now and in the future,'' Bush said.

The president also noted the fall of the Berlin Wall, long the symbol of the Cold War. ''Today, the wall lies in ruins and our eyes open on a new world of hope,'' he said.

He said, ''The last remnants of the wall remain, there at the hearts of a free Berlin - a ragged monument in brick and barbed wire - proof that no wall is ever strong enough to strangle the human spirit; that no wall can ever crush a nation's soul.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Stocks closed mixed Tuesday in active trading after a late wave of profit taking and program selling wiped out gains in the Dow industrials. The broad market closed higher.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which registered its second-biggest gain of the year Monday with an advance of 63.36 points, lost 10.64 to close at 2505.20. The Dow hovered with a gain of about 25 points for much of the session.

The Dow transportation average, meanwhile, whose issues are heavily dependent on oil prices, responded to a $3.14-a-barrel plunge in crude oil with a gain of almost 2.5 percent. The Dow transports surged 21.64 to 894.79.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose

0.37 to 172.59 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index gained 0.27 to 315.21. The price of an average share gained 6 cents.

Advances led declines 1,001-581 among the 2,006 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume was 188,320,000 shares, down from 202,210,000 traded Monday.

Analysts said the Dow succumbed to late profit taking after Monday's strong rally as well as to program selling and technical selling when the Dow failed to rise above a certain level.

''It was basically profit taking, but when we couldn't break above 2550 people saw it as a good opportunity to sell. And it was especially good to sell into a rally, considering that we're in a bear market,'' said Dale Tills, manager of institutional equity trading at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco.

''Then programs kicked in late in the day and took prices down further,'' he said, referring to the computerized selling technique that involves selling stocks and buying stock index futures to profit from the price spread between them.

Tills noted that all the other factors that supported stocks Monday were still in force Tuesday, such as plunging oil prices and a stable bond market. Treasury bonds were up about 1/4 point in late trading.

Stocks got an early boost from the Tokyo market, which had been in the midst of its worst battering since October 1987 but which posted its biggest surge ever Tuesday.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 issues, which plunged 761.64 points Monday rocketed 2,676.55 points - 13.2 percent - to 22,898.41.

The surge was a record jump in terms of both points and percentage, topping the respective marks of 2,037.32 set Oct. 21, 1987, and 11.3 percent set in December 1949.

On the trading floor, Unisys was the most active issue, plunging 1 1/8 to 3 7/8. The company, which suspended payment on the quarterly dividend on common stock last week, said Tuesday it ''fully supports'' the continued payment of its preferred dividend.

But Moody's Investor Service downgraded Unisys debt and preferred stock, saying the company's prospects for higher profits appear gloomy. Some analysts say the company likely will not resume common stock dividends until the third quarter of 1991 as the ailing computer manufacturer goes through a restructuring.

Following Unisys was General Electric, off 1/2 to 55 3/4. Philip Morris was third, up 1/8 to 47 7/8.

Among other blue chips, AT&T fell 1/2 to 31 3/4, IBM lost 3/4 to 108 1/4 and Merck lost 1 to 79 1/4, but Woolworth surged 1 1/8 to 25 1/8.

Eastman Kodak sank 1 5/8 to 38. The company is waiting for a federal court to set damages Kodak must pay for infringing on instant-camera patents held by Polaroid, which closed up 2 5/8 to 33 1/8. Several analysts were said to lower earnings estimates for Kodak.

Primerica plunged 1 1/4 to 18 1/2. The company said it knew of no reason for the drop in the price of its stock, but reports said the shares were pressured by rumors that it might buy another brokerage firm. Primerica already owns Smith, Barney, Harris Upham & Co.

A company official was said to issue a denial of the rumor but to confirm that Primerica would cut Smith Barney's work force in some areas.

Oil stocks were mostly lower. Chevron fell 3/8 to 73 1/4, Exxon lost 1/8 to 49 1/2, Amoco slid 7/8 to 54 7/8 and Mobil tumbled 1 1/8 to 62.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 225,482,020 shares, compared with 235,957,110 shares traded Monday.

Prices were higher in active trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index rose 1.19 to 309.63. Advances led declines 338-230 among the 805 issues traded. The price of an average share added 4 cents. Composite volume was 18,523,400 shares vs. 19,388, 730 traded Monday.

Energy Service led the Amex issues, unchanged at 3 1/2.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 1.74 to 356.39.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Tuesday was 437.42, up 0.39 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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(OCT 2) UPI - Thunderstorm rains sent the Rio Grande River spilling over its

banks along the Texas-Mexico border Tuesday and rain raised the threat of flooding elsewhere in Texas and New Mexico.

Flooding on the Rio Grande closed 30 miles of Highway 170 between Lajitas and Presidio, Texas. Normally dry Cibolo Creek was 4 feet deep at Shafter, Texas, near Presidio, authorities said.

The National Weather Service posted flood warnings for southwest Texas and southeast New Mexico.

Afternoon rainshowers extended over parts of Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Colorado, Nebraska, Wyoming, Montana, Utah and Arizona. Showers also were scattered over northern New England and southern Florida.

Winds gusted in excess of 40 mph in the northern and central Plains on the front edge of a cold front.

An advisory for frost and freezing temperatures was posted for Tuesday night in northern Nevada.

Tropical storm Rachel, located in the Pacific Ocean southwest of the southern tip of the Baja Peninsula, pumped moisture into New Mexico, western Texas and Arizona causing scattered showers on already saturated ground.

A flash flood watch was posted for the entire day Tuesday in several counties in southeast New Mexico but no flooding had been reported in the area that received up to 2 inches of rain over the past two days.

Cold, stormy weather continued in the Cascades mountains of Washington state, where rain and snow showers combined with temperatures in the 40s to allow snow accumulations of 6 inches near the 5,000-foot level.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Afffliated Fund 9.10 9.76

Anchor Fund Inv	14.32	15.19
Delaware Mutual	16.63	17.83
Fidelity Fund	16.10	16.10
Investors Mutual	10.60	11.16
Investors Stocks	17.79	18.73
Investors Select	8.29	8.73
IDS Equity Plus	8.74	9.20
Mass Inv Growth	8.05	8.68
Nicholas Fund	3.21	3.21
United Accumulated	6.12	6.69
United Income	16.43	17.96

Vanguard Wellington 15.81 15.81

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - Henry Hill, whose life as a mobster is documented in the hit film ''GoodFellas,'' says he is now just working a ''regular'' job and lives with a clean conscience.

Hill, 46, identified as a member of the $5 milllion 1978 Lufthansa conspiracy at Kennedy Airport - the largest robbery in U.S. history - told ''Inside Edition'' the movie is a true-to-life portrayal of his life in the mob.

''That movie was 99 percent accurate,'' Hill said in the interview, to be broadcast Wednesday. ''That's the way we lived; that's (the way) we treated our wives; constantly on a hustle,'' he said. ''That's the way they live today ... that's the real Mafia.''

Hill turned state's evidence against his best friend, James ''Jimmy the Gent'' Burke, the mastermind of the heist who is now serving 20 years in prison for the crime.

About a dozen of people associated with the case have been rubbed out.

Although no longer in the federal witness protection program, Hill's identity was being withheld and he appeared ''incognito,'' according to a statement from the producers of the program.

Hill has remarried and has a new son.

His story became well known in Nicholas Pileggi's book, ''Wise Guy.'' In the movie ''GoodFellas,'' he is portrayed by Ray Liotta, while the Burke character is portrayed by Robert De Niro.

''I spend a lot of time on the phone with De Niro, coaching him for playing Jimmy the Gent,'' said Hill.

Asked about the differences between then and now, Hill said, ''I can kiss my son good night in the evening (and) I can put my head on the pillow and not have to worry about a phone call in the middle of the night to 'come and meet me with a shovel ... come to the bar, bring a couple of pistols with you.'

''All that craziness - that insanity - is gone from my life,'' he said. ''I sleep a full night now and I'm able to say, 'I don't hurt nobody today, I don't have to hurt nobody.'''

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BERLIN (OCT. 2) UPI - Tens of thousands of revelers, many waving German flags and hoisting champagne bottles, massed around the Brandenburg Gate Tuesday for a wild celebration marking the end of more than four decades of division.

''This is the biggest moment in my life,'' said 23-year-old Maik Peter, who stood on West Berlin's Square of the Republic to witness the raising of the black, red and gold flag over a reunited Germany at the stroke of midnight Tuesday.

The moment of unification was to be heralded by the midnight ringing of the Freedom Bell - cast in the image of Philadelphia's Liberty Bell - in what has been West Berlin since the end of World War II.

That was to be followed by fireworks, public festivals and private parties throughout the new single nation and a national holiday on Wednesday.

The crowds began gathering under the arches of the famous gate, long a symbol of division, early Tuesday under bright sunshine as a lone bugler sounded the end of 45 years of Allied occupation of West Berlin Tuesday, Germany's final day as a divided nation.

The West German airline Lufthansa flew to Berlin for the first time since World War II, ferrying in legislators for the unification ceremonies that were to culminate in the formal reunion of East and West Germany.

By evening, street festivals with champagne and dancing and fireworks were well under way everywhere.

Thousands of security troops, many in riot gear, positioned themselves along East Berlin's famed Unter den Linden avenue, around the Reichstag and at other key spots around the city.

As expected, celebrations turned sour in the Kreuzberg district of West Berlin where leftist and neo-Nazi groups fought police. Authorities said one police officer was stabbed in the arms and another injured by gas pellets and firework rockets. No other details were immediately available.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, who automatically becomes leader of the new all-German government, flew in from Hamburg after a triumphant election as head of the merged Christian Democratic parties of the two nations and appealed for all Germans to work together to heal 45 years of bitter division.

''More than 40 years of communist dictatorship have cut deep wounds, particularly in people's hearts,'' Kohl said.

''The third of October is a day of joy, gratitude and hope. The young

generation of Germans have every chance of spending their whole lives in peace and freedom,'' he said.

''We know that our joy is shared by many people throughout the world. With them we share our feelings at this moment - Germany is our fatherland, the united Europe is our future.''

East German Prime Minister Lothar De Maiziere said East Germany had no regrets in disappearing from the map and joining the West German Federal Republic.

''It is a time of great joy and a farewell without tears,'' he said. ''We are leaving behind a state which called itself democratic without being democratic.''

The East German flag was to be lowered for the last time Tuesday evening at U.N. headquarters in New York.

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Souter avoided the rancor that torpedoed the 1987 nomination of Robert Bork to the Supreme Court, with the liberal coalition that actively worked against Bork failing to resurface. But Souter was hotly opposed by several women's and abortion rights groups who fear he will cast the vote overturning Roe vs. Wade.

Another Souter opponent, Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., said on the ''unhappy day'' Souter casts the deciding vote to overturn Roe vs. Wade, he will introduce legislation to make the ability to choose to have an abortion a statutory right.

Sen. Timothy Wirth, D-Colo., Souter's Harvard classmate, said he spoke with many of Souter's old friends before deciding to vote for the nominee. Wirth said one friend told him, ''How does Bush know any more about him than we do?

How could he? He's an intensely private person.''

Before being sworn in as an associate justice, Souter will have missed two of the most important cases before the the court during its 1990-91 term, which opened Monday. On Tuesday, the court heard arguments in an Oklahoma case involving school desegregation that could affect hundreds of school districts nationwide and, on Wednesday, the court was slated to hear an Alamaba case that could lead to limits on multimillion-dollar damage awards.

The first major case Souter will consider is a Wisconsin dispute, to be argued Oct. 10, on whether employers can use ''fetal protection'' policies to bar women of child-bearing age from certain jobs because the work could lead to birth defects.

A Supreme Court spokesman said no date has yet been set for Souter's swearing in by Chief Justice William Rehnquist.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 2) UPI - The nation's supplies of crude oil fell sharply for the third consecutive week as the Persian Gulf crisis cut deeply into imports from the Middle East, the American Petroleum Institute reported Tuesday.

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For the week ended Sept. 28, crude oil inventories fell 9.4 million barrels to 354.6 million from 364.0 million in the prior week but remained above year-ago levels of 333.3 million barrels.

In the two prior weeks, stocks had fallen by 5.9 and 4.5 million barrels respectively.

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On a daily basis, the U.N. embargo on oil imports from Iraq and Kuwait, ordered Aug. 6 in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait four days earlier, has left the world short about 1.5 million barrels of crude, even after Saudi Arabia and other producers raised output.

Since it takes tankers four to five weeks to reach the United States from the Middle East, the decline in imports and inventories as a result of the embargo did not begin to register until three weeks ago.

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Gasoline supplies rose to 223.9 million barrels from 222.3 million in the prior week and were marginally ahead of the year-ago amount of 223.7 million.

Stocks of unleaded gasoline, which accounts for more than three- quarters of the domestic market, also increased, to 172.0 million barrels from 171.4 million a week earlier, and remained significantly higher than year-ago levels of 161.7 million barrels.

Daily gasoline production moved up to 7.3 million barrels from 7.2 million in the previous week and was higher than the year-ago daily output of 6.9 million barrels.

Daily gasoline imports increased substantially to 480,000 barrels from 215,000 in the previous week and were well above year-ago imports of 301,000.

U.S. refineries operated at 91.2 percent of capacity last week, compared with 92.8 percent a week earlier and 89.4 percent a year ago.

Inventories of distillate - used for home-heating oil and diesel fuel - slipped to 134.8 million barrels from 136.5 million a week earlier, when a five-year high was set, but remained above year-ago levels of 122.9 million barrels.

Daily distillate production was 2.9 million barrels, the same level as in the preceding week and as a year ago.

Distillate imports jumped to 337,000 barrels a day from 220,000 in the previous week but were much higher than year-ago daily imports of 95,000 barrels.

Daily imports of all refined products rocketed to 2.4 million barrels from 1.5 million in the preceding week and were significantly higher than year-ago imports of 1.8 million barrels.

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Against - (9)

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Republicans against - (0)

Absent and not voting: Wilson, R-Calif.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - The Senate Foreign Relations Committee today gave unanimous backing to a German reunification treaty. A spokesman for Committee Chairman Claiborne Pell says he hopes the 17-0 vote will pave the way for consideration by the full Senate by tomorrow. .

The East German state will fade into history tonight to the strains of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony performed by Leipzig's orchestra. East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere today bade farewell to the nation in a televised speech just hours before it ceases to exist.

The West African peace-keeping force in Liberia today launched heavy artillery attacks on main rebel leader Charles Taylor's troops. The head of the force says he's trying to push back Taylor's men to create a buffer zone between them and government soldiers.

Congressional investigators said today that up to 20 percent of disinfectants on the market may NOT kill germs as advertised. The reason, the investigators told Congress, is that the Environmental Protection Agency doesn't test to

verify manufacturer claims.

President Bush will speak briefly to the nation tonight about the compromise budget deficit reduction plan. Bush today urged opponents of the plan to cut spending and boost taxes to support the measure because ''the country is at stake.''

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Officials in Honolulu say a Navy submarine has located and recovered the second half of a cargo door that tore off a United Airlines flight near Hawaii last year, killing nine people.

The policy-making panel of the Federal Reserve Board met in Washington today, apparently to discuss ways to ease interest rates once the budget compromise becomes law. Also of interest to the FED- new jobless figures due Friday.

Rwanda declared a state of emergency today and imposed a nationwide dusk-to-dawn curfew, claiming the tiny east African country had been attacked, apparently by Rwandan rebels from neighboring Uganda.

Soviet and Lithuanian leaders began ground-breaking talks in Moscow today in advance of formal talks between the two sides. They issued a joint communique pledging to reach a bilateral trade and economic accord by next year.

It's NOT every kid who can put a town on the map. But thanks partly to a letter from 10-year-old Chris Muncy of Mishawaka, Indiana, the 1991 Rand McNally atlas will include his grandparents' town of Parrott, Virginia... population 800.

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DETROIT (OCT. 2) UPI - General Motors Corp., while expressing reservations about a gasoline tax increase, came out Tuesday in support of the agreement to cut the federal budget deficit and said ''nothing should be done to jeopardize'' its passage by Congress.

The agreement ''should result in real reductions of the budget deficit,'' GM said in a prepared statement.

''We understand Congress will have the opportunity, within the framework of the agreement, to remedy unintended problems, but we believe nothing should be done that would jeopardize passage.''

GM noted the single largest revenue raiser in the package is a significant increase in the federal tax on gas, saying it ''will result in real energy

conservation as people cut back on driving and move to more fuel-efficient vehicles.''

However, ''we believe a broader-based energy fee or tax would have been more equitable in spreading the burden and cost of conservation,'' the GM statement said.

''Unfortunately, a gasoline tax places a disproportionate share on the highway user, especially since a portion of it will be used for deficit reduction instead of funding for highways and bridges,'' GM said.

''Nonetheless, this gasoline tax is the kind of market-based approach to conservation that will be effective, as opposed to the disruptive and inefficient Corporate Average Fuel Economy program.'' The so-called CAFE program set mpg targets for the nation's automakers in an effort to improve overall fuel efficiency of cars.

Chrysler Corp. Chairman Lee Iacocca endorsed the budget agreement after it was announced Sunday.

The first of a number of votes by Congress on legislation emerging from the agreement reached last weekend by Bush administration officials and congressional leaders is set to take place Thursday in the House.

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BERLIN (OCT. 2) UPI - Tens of thousands of Germans cheered wildly, danced and drank champagne at the historic Brandenburg Gate early Wednesday as they witnessed the rebirth of a united Germany and the end of more than four decades of postwar division.

''This is the biggest moment in my life,'' said 23-year-old Maik Peter, who stood on West Berlin's Square of the Republic to witness the raising of the black, red and gold flag over a reunited Germany at the stroke of midnight.

The moment of unification was heralded with the ringing of the Freedom Bell - cast in the image of Philadelphia's Liberty Bell - as fireworks exploded in the sky over what had been West Berlin since the end of World War II.

Revelers sang the national anthem and waved flags in Berlin in an emotional celebration as leaders of the unified nation shook hands and embraced each other. Public festivals and private parties were scheduled throughout the new single Germany and a national holiday was declared on Wednesday.

The crowds began gathering under the arches of the famous gate, long a symbol of division, early Tuesday under bright sunshine as a lone bugler sounded the end of 45 years of Allied occupation of West Berlin Tuesday, Germany's final

day as a divided nation.

The West German airline Lufthansa flew to Berlin for the first time since World War II, ferrying in legislators for the unification ceremonies that culminated in the formal reunion of East and West Germany.

By evening, street festivals with champagne and dancing and fireworks were well under way everywhere.

Thousands of security troops, many in riot gear, positioned themselves along East Berlin's famed Unter den Linden avenue, around the Reichstag and at other key spots around the city.

As expected, celebrations turned sour in the Kreuzberg district of West Berlin where leftist and neo-Nazi groups fought police. Authorities said one police officer was stabbed in the arms and another injured by gas pellets and firework rockets. No other details were immediately available.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, who automatically became leader of the new all-German government, flew in from Hamburg after a triumphant election as head of the merged Christian Democratic parties of the two nations and appealed for all Germans to work together to heal 45 years of bitter division.

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In an apparent effort to complicate the government's criminal case against Exxon for the March 24, 1989, spill, the oil company said it filed a ''notice

of claims for indemnity'' with the Coast Guard. The papers say the agency shared the blame for the accident and should take some measure of financial responsibility.

Among other items, the notice of claims said the Coast Guard should help defray ''Exxon's contribution to expenditures totalling in excess of $2 billion for cleanup for which the Coast Guard is wholly or partially liable.''

In essence, the legal papers served notice on the government that if Exxon was to be held criminally responsible for negligence causing the accident, it would turn the same negligence charges against the Coast Guard.

For example, the papers noted the Justice Department had accused Exxon of negligence in allowing Joseph Hazelwood to serve as master of the Exxon Valdez even though he had a history of drinking problems.

''If, as alleged by the government in a pending criminal case against (Exxon), Joseph J. Hazelwood was not competent to serve as the master of the Exxon Valdez, the Coast Guard was negligent to issue Hazelwood a master's license,'' the papers said.

Exxon officials refused to comment on reasons for the legal maneuver. The company issued a brief statement that said in part: ''The notice of claims is solely an administrative requirement under the law in order to preserve future legal options with regard to any potential litigation involving the federal government.''

In response to the papers, the Coast Guard issued a statement saying, ''We are not aware of any legal basis that would justify Coast Guard liability to either Exxon or any other parties in connection witrh the Exxon Valdez oil spill.''

Justice Department officials were not available for comment.

The papers also accuse the Coast Guard of negligence in the operation of its vessel traffic control system in Prince William Sound on the night of the accident. The papers said Coast Guard officials failed to warn the Exxon Valdez about Bligh Reef, the rock upon which the ship ran aground, spilling nearly 11 million gallons of crude oil.

On a third issue, Exxon accused the Coast Guard of negligence in failing to promptly authorize the use of oil dispersants to break up the spreading slick after the accident.

State and federal officials feared possible toxic effects from use of chemical dispersants, but Exxon's claim said those concerns were unfounded and based on ''lack of training and misinformation'' among Coast Guard officials.

Because dispersants were not used in a timely manner, ''the impacts of the spill were at least twice as great as they would have been had (Coast Guard officials) acted with due care,'' the papers said.

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The bill sailed through the foreign operations subcommittee as members agreed to delay debates on several controversial issues until the full Appropriations Committee considers the measure on Thursday.

Among those issues were two provisions in the bill that have prompted White House veto threats - one halving military aid to El Salvador and the other allowing funds for groups that support abortion.

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The House passed a $15.6 billion aid bill in June, meaning the Senate panel was left with the task of crafting a bill reflecting the impact of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

A Senate Appropriations Committee spokeswoman said the subcomittee's bill would authorize a total of $15.063 billion in aid in the 1991 fiscal year.

The measure responds to the Persian Gulf crisis by granting President Bush's request for authority to forgive Egypt's $6.7 billion military debt and by barring aid to any country that violates the U.N. sanctions against Iraq, unless the president determines such assistance is in the national interest.

Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., who sought the provision on Iraqi sanctions, said Jordan, which would receive $85 million in aid under the House bill, is among the countries that could be affected by the provision.

Turkey, which has cut off its oil pipeline with Iraq, would receive $545 million in military aid in the subcommittee bill, compared with $497 million in 1990 and $430 million in the House bill.

Morocco, which sent troops to help defend Saudi Arabia, would receive $52 million in military aid, compared with $43 million in 1990.

Overall, the largest beneficiaries of aid again would be Israel, with $3 billion, and Egypt, with $2.1 billion, the same amounts as in the House bill.

However, in order to help Israel during the Persian Gulf crisis, the subcommittee approved an amendment that would allow the Jewish state to shift $200 million of its economic aid to military purposes.

Sen. Robert Kasten, R-Wis., the panel's ranking Republican, who offered the amendment, said it has been estimated Israel faces $1 billion in extra costs from the crisis and added that he was working on other measures to help Israel respond to the threat poses by Iraq.

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Thurmond hailed Souter as ''a man of keen intellect who is devoted to the law.''

Abortion alone should not determine a senator's vote, Thurmond said, noting, ''A member of the Supreme Court makes decisions in a vast array of areas and is not put in place to make short-term decisions to satisfy any political constituency, any one individual or any particular group.''

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., the lone dissenter in the Judiciary Committee, spoke against Souter.

''I am troubled that if Judge Souter joins the current closely divided Supreme Court, he will solidify a 5-4 anti-civil rights, anti- privacy majority inclined to turn back the clock on the historic progress of recent decades,'' he said.

Souter avoided the rancor that torpedoed the 1987 nomination of Robert Bork to the Supreme Court, with the liberal coalition that actively worked against

Bork failing to resurface. But Souter was hotly opposed by several women's and abortion rights groups who fear he will cast the vote overturning Roe vs. Wade.

Another Souter opponent, Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., said on the ''unhappy day'' Souter casts the deciding vote to overturn Roe vs. Wade, he will introduce legislation to make the ability to choose to have an abortion a statutory right.

Sen. Timothy Wirth, D-Colo., Souter's Harvard classmate, said he spoke with many of Souter's old friends before deciding to vote for the nominee. Wirth said one friend told him, ''How does Bush know any more about him than we do? How could he? He's an intensely private person.''

Before being sworn in as an associate justice, Souter will have missed two of the most important cases before the the court during its 1990-91 term, which opened Monday. On Tuesday, the court heard arguments in an Oklahoma case involving school desegregation that could affect hundreds of school districts nationwide and, on Wednesday, the court was slated to hear an Alamaba case that could lead to limits on multimillion-dollar damage awards.

The first major case Souter will consider is a Wisconsin dispute, to be argued Oct. 10, on whether employers can use ''fetal protection'' policies to bar women of child-bearing age from certain jobs because the work could lead to birth defects.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 2) UPI - NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue said Tuesday Cincinnati Bengals Coach Sam Wyche faces a ''stiff fine'' if he barred a woman reporter from entering the team's locker room Monday night.

Denise Tom, a sports writer with USA Today for five years who has covered the San Francisco 49ers since 1986 and reported on five Super Bowls, said Wyche refused to allow her to enter the locker room after the Bengals' 31-16 loss to the Seahawks.

The incident follows the controversy surrounding the New England Patriots and Boston Herald reporter Lisa Olson, who claims she was sexually harassed by five Patriot players while she was working Sept. 17.

Before Monday night's game, Tagliabue reiterated league policy, which is to allow all accredited media equal access to players in locker rooms.

''I don't know much about what occurred last night,'' Tagliabue said at a breakfast honoring him Tuesday. ''But if he in fact excluded this woman from the locker room, then there will be a very stiff fine for Sam Wyche this week.''

Last year, Wyche banned all reporters from the locker room after a loss and was fined by the league. Several years ago he got into a shoving match with a radio reporter.

Tom was barred from the Bengals locker room by a security guard, who said he was following orders. Later, Wyche said it was his decision.

''I'll be out of this business before I let a woman in the locker room,'' Wyche said. ''Our guys don't want a woman to walk into a tight locker room like that. I'm not doing this to these guys. I'm not doing it to their wives.''

Wyche said he also arranged for quarterback Boomer Esiason to talk to Tom, who said she wanted to interview only Esiason because she was on deadline.

''We gave her every courtesy we could,'' Wyche said. ''I personally found out who she wanted to talk to and the player was brought out.''

USA Today Sports Editor Gene Policinski said Tuesday he would file a protest with the league.

''The irony here is that before the game Denise Tom was one of the reporters who heard Tagliabue reiterate league policy and practice,'' Policinski said. ''To be faced with this hours later is ridiculous.''

Tom, who said she had her credentials in plain sight, received no resistance in the Seahawks locker room, although one player yelled '''Hey, there's a woman in here,''' she said.

''It's something that has always gone on and usually something I ignore,'' she said. ''It wasn't a lewd comment, it was just a remark.''

The latest episode involving Wyche apparently had its genesis last week when players noticed a woman without a notebook standing in the locker room.

''The players were upset and came to me about it,'' Wyche said. ''I asked them if they wanted it so the women could talk to whom they wanted outside. They voted for that.''

Olson claims she was in New England's locker room Sept. 17 when several naked Patriots players approached her and made lewd suggestions. Olson says tight end Zeke Mowatt, while ''egged on'' by several other players, suggested she perform oral sex on him.

Tagliabue has appointed Harvard law professor and former Watergate investigator Philip Heymann to investigate Olson's charges. Tagliabue also contacted all NFL teams this week to remind them of league policy.

Patriots owner Victor Kiam initially condoned his players' actions, allegedly calling Olson a ''classic bitch'' and saying women were ''intruders'' in the locker room. He denies making the slur and has since apologized, his first attempt communicated to her by fax. Olson refused his apology.

Kiam has hired a public relations firm in an effort to defuse the controversy. He has taken out newspaper ads and appeared on television shows, trying to explain his position.

Kiam is also the owner of Remington Products Inc., and the locker- room incident has triggered the prospect of a boycott of his shaving company by the National Organization of Women.

''I have sent a letter to Tagliabue, asking for league action on Sam Wyche's barring of Denise Tom, and statements from the NFL and Bengals management on carrying out the league policy and practice involving equal access of media to locker rooms,'' said Policinski. ''What Sam Wyche did was not only a direct violation of league policy, but a slap in the face for Tagliabue, who contacted management of each team this past week and reiterated league policy on the issue.''

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ONTARIO, Calif. (OCT. 2) UPI - Discounter Southwest Airlines said Tuesday that it will expand its service from Southern California to Las Vegas, with five daily flights from Ontario on Oct. 28 for a top one-way fare of $59.

Southwest also said it will offer six daily nonstop roundtrip flights from Las Vegas to Reno beginning Nov. 15, also for a $59 top price.

The moves by Dallas-based Southwest could mark the start of a fare war on the busy corridor between Las Vegas and Southern California, which is already served by American, America West, Delta and USAir.

Southwest has been widely credited with forcing down fares among the majors earlier this year along the heavily travelled corridor between the San Francisco Bay Area and Southern California. Those fares, which had been as high as $150 one-way, have been cut in half on many flights in the past six months after Southwest began offering deep discounts on flights between Ontario and Burbank in the south and Oakland in the north.

Southwest said it will also offer advance purchase ''fun fares'' on a restricted basis starting as low as $29 for a 21-day advance purchase fare to Ontario. and $39 to Reno.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Both the House and Senate now have adopted resolutions supporting President Bush's handling of the Persian Gulf crisis. The Senate voted 96-3 for the measure today. The action comes one day after the House voted 380-29 for a resolution that also applauded the president while urging Bush to emphasize ''diplomatic and non-military means'' in solving the crisis. Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine sought to calm fears by saying the resolution is NOT an authorization for the use of force, now or in the future. .

At the United Nations today, Saudi Arabia's foreign minister said he rejects any ''alternative'' plans to end the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait. The statement is a clear rebuttal to French President Mitterrand's peace initiative linking the Persian Gulf crisis to the Arab-Israeli conflict. The Saudi official said a ''decisive judgment'' against Iraq depends on solution that- quote- ''cannot be complete except by preventing the aggressor from reaping the fruits of aggression.''

A panel of energy experts says supplies of most fuels are expected to be adequate this winter, though more expensive, in the wake of the Persian Gulf crisis. Calvin Kent of the federal Energy Information Administration says there are expected to be NO shortages of gasoline, jet fuel and heating oil. But Kent says supplies of propane already are at levels lower than last year and could present a ''potentially serious problem'' this winter.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 2) UPI - Joe McIlvaine, recognized as one of the bright young executives in baseball, was named Tuesday general manager of the troubled San Diego Padres.

McIlvaine signed a five-year deal reportedly worth $1.6 million to replace Jack MeKeon, who was fired last month. The 42-year-old McIlvaine comes to the Padres from the New York Mets where he helped form a management troika with General Manager Frank Cashen and business manager Al Harazin.

Since McIlvaine took over the baseball operations of the Mets in 1985, the club has won two division titles and one World Series. They also finished no worse than second in the National League East.

''I've done it before and I'll do it again,'' said McIlvaine when asked if he could turn the Padres around.

McIlvaine also denied rumors circulating that he left New York because of a conflict with owner Fred Wilpon and Cashen. He said he talked with them in August, explaining that he'd like some time to think the offer over.

''I told them that this is not a ploy to get a better contract,'' he said. ''It was an instinctive feeling to move on. Obviously, they didn't want to see me go.''

The move comes at a time with the Mets facing the possible loss of star outfielder Darryl Strawberry to free agency. The task of finding a replacement would have fallen to McIlvaine. Now the assumption is McIlvaine could be bidding against the Mets for the slugging right fielder.

The Padres, predicted to win the National League West, struggled all season despite the addition of RBI producer Joe Carter. McKeon stepped down as manager in July and was replaced by Greg Riddoch.

McIlvaine, who previously scouted for the Brewers, Angels and Orioles, is credited for supplying the Mets with much of the talent that has produced the major leagues' winningest team since 1984 and a World Series title in 1986.

His strength is judging and obtaining young talent through trades. During his tenure, the Mets received pitchers Ron Darling, Sid Fernandez, David Cone, Frank Viola, Bob Ojeda, John Franco and outfielder Kevin McReynolds. Dwight Gooden was drafted in 1982 while McIlvaine was scouting director.

His biggest blunder was the 1989 trade of center fielder Lenny Dykstra and relief pitcher Roger McDowell to Philadelphia for Juan Samuel.

This season, he made an excellent waiver pickup in center fielder Daryl Boston which helped ease the sting of the Dykstra trade. For the stretch drive, the Mets made three acquisitions - catcher Charlie O'Brien, second baseman Tommy Herr and outfielder Pat Tabler.

Cashen said he will assume the McIlvaine's duties for the Mets and Harazin will have an expanded front office role.

''I now will assume those major-league functions which had been performed by Joe,'' Cashen said. ''Also senior vice president Al Harazin will be given expanded responsibilities. He has long been involved in the decision-making process in our baseball department.''

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 2) UPI - The United States has agreed to provide Israel with $400 million in housing loan guarantees for Soviet emigres on the condition that the housing is not sited in the occupied territories, Secretary of State James Baker said Tuesday.

Baker said at a newsconference that the United States received assurances that the housing would not be located beyond the ''green line,'' Israeli-recognized

lands occupied from Jordan during the 1967 war.

As described by Baker, those assurances mean that the money would not be spent in East Jerusalem or in the West Bank and Gaza. Baker said the Israelis would monitor the agreement and report to the United States.

In addition, Baker said, the Israelis guaranteed that they would provide ''no special incentives'' to induce recent Soviet emigres to settle in the occupied territories.

The idea that Israel would displace Palestinian Arabs in the occupied territories alarmed some Arab countries. There are about 120,000 Soviets emigrating to Israel each year.

U.S. officials said the assurances given to Baker are the strongest limitations that the Israelis have ever given to the United States, limiting their right to build new civilian settlements in occupied territories.

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BOGOTA, Colombia (OCT. 2) UPI - Dynamite and chemicals in a cocaine manufacturing laboratory exploded Tuesday in the city of Medellin, killing at least eight people, including five children, officials said.

The laboratory located in a house exploded about 9:45 a.m., said Rodrigo Palacios, assistant secretary of the city of Medellin, 160 miles northwest of Bogota.

''A laboratory exploded apparently as a consequence of dynamite camouflaged in a floor of the house,'' Palacios told a Bogota radio station. The dynamite was being stored in the home and apparently exploded accidentally, said city spokesman Victor Zulaga,.

Six people died at the scene and two others in hospitals, Palacios said. Another 57 people were wounded, 12 of them seriously, said a spokesman for the city. Five of the dead were children ages 4 and 5.

Six houses were destroyed and another five seriously damaged, along with 18 vehicles, he said. Other buildings in a four-block area were damaged.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - Residents of East and West Germany are spending their final minutes as a divided nation. The two countries become one at midnight, German time at the peal of a bell cast in the image of Phildadelphia's Liberty Bell. The unification ends 45 years of Allied occupation of West Berlin. Ceremonies

and festivities are planned across the country to mark the formal reunion.

Survivors of a hijacked Chinese jetliner that crashed in a fireball today in south China say the crew was struggling with the hijackers in the cockpit before impact. 120 people were killed and 100 others survived. Western diplomats say the Boeing 737 skidded across the runway out of control and slammed into an empty plane and another jumbo jet waiting to take off with an undetermined number of passengers.

There was more U-S muscle flexing in the Persian Gulf today. The United States sent an aircraft carrier into the dangerous waters of Gulf for the first time in 16 years and staged a 15-thousand-Marine mock amphibious assault. The move came less than 24 hours after President Bush offered new optimism that the crisis with Iraq could be settled without war.

Supreme Court nominee David Souter is expected to easily win confirmation by the full Senate, with only a handful of senators announcing opposition. The Senate Judiciary Committee endorsed Souter's nomination 13year-old New England jurist would become the 105th justice on the nation's highest court, replacing liberal Justice William Brennan, who retired in July after 34 years on the bench.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - The United States, Canada and the 33 European nations will provide almost one-and-one-half BILLION dollars in economic assistance to countries hurt by the Persian Gulf embargo. The 35-member Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe will provide the short-term financial assistance first to the three countries hardest hit... Egypt, Turkey and Jordan. The aid will be given in the form of grants, but some provisions will also be made for the possibility loans.

Health officials in Chicago are trying to determine the cause of the apparent food poisonings of scores of people attending a hardware convention. Officials say the apparent cause was food served Sunday night at the Hyatt Regency Hotel but say it could be days or weeks before that's known for sure. At least 175 people were treated at more than a dozen hospitals. At least 35 were admitted.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - President Bush, saying the time for ''politics and posturing is over,'' appealed to the nation Tuesday to rally around a compromise budget plan of tax hikes and spending cuts that he said was necessary to thwart economic hardship.

Bush, in a 10-minute speech from the Oval Office directed at a national

television audience and reluctant members of Congress who threaten to derail the complex, $500 billion deficit reduction package, said failure of the measure on Capitol Hill will weaken the already fragile economy.

''Everyone will bear a small burden. But if we succeed, every American will have a large burden lifted. If we fail to enact this agreement, our economy will falter, markets may tumble and recession will follow,'' Bush said.

Quick action on the budget agreement is necessary since the government is operating under a temporary spending measure that expires Friday.

Worked out under the gun of automatic spending cuts that would have taken effect Monday with the beginning of the 1991 fiscal year, the budget deal is aimed at erasing the deficit.

Over five years, it would generate $134 billion in revenue from increased taxes on such American staples as beer and gasoline, as well as on luxury items as fur coats and fancy cars, and by changing some tax rules.

The spending cuts would strike hardest at the Pentagon, in the Medicare health program for the elderly, and farm programs.

On Capitol Hill, House Democratic leaders delayed the first scheduled vote on the budget from Wednesday until Thursday to give Bush and House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois more time to nail down a majority of House Republicans to back the deal.

Facing the realities of an election year, negotiators decided any agreement must win the support of a majority of both Democrats and Republicans in both the House and Senate to prevent one party from blaming the other for the painful effects of the accord.

Rep. Vin Weber, R-Minn., an opponent of the budget deal, told reporters that as of midday Tuesday there were ''90 guys ... against the deal'' - more than half the 176 House Republicans. But he added, ''The president, if he wants to, can probably win this fight. If he makes it a personal loyalty test, he'll win.''

Bush did not take a personal tack in his television address, but a national one, appealing to the public to embrace the package and make the vote in Congress less difficult for their representatives. The seats of the entire House and one-third of the Senate are up for grabs in the Nov. 6 general election.

''Tonight I ask for your help,'' Bush said. ''I ask you to understand how important, and for some how difficult, this vote is for your congressman and senator. Many worry about your reaction to one part or another. But I know you know the importance of the whole. And so, second, I ask you to take this

initiative: Tell your congressmen and senators you support this deficit reduction agreement.

''Now is the time for you, the American people, to have a real impact. Your senators and congressmen need to know that you want this deficit brought down. That the time for politics and posturing is over and the time to come together is now.''

In a show of partisan unity, Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine responded to the president's call by touting the agreement and urging its passage.

''We recognize that this budget demands sacrifice from all Americans. But, if enacted, it holds the promise of restoring a sound economy, from which all Americans will benefit.''

By speaking to the nation, Bush may be able to unite Congress, but he may have a tougher time with the public as a USA Today poll released Tuesday showed that 52 percent of those Americans questioned opposed the deficit deal.

Bush said the agreement was the result of ''eight months of blood, sweat and fears'' of economic ''chaos that will follow if we fail to reduce the deficit.''

Calling it the ''toughest deficit agreement ever,'' Bush said it was the ''best agreement that can be legislated now.''

''It will not raise income tax rates ... it will not mess with Social Security. It will not put America's national security at risk and most of all, it will not let our economy slip out of control,'' Bush said.

''Those who dislike one part or another may pick our agreement apart. If they do, the political reality is no one can put a better one back together again.''

Earlier, Bush lobbied Rebublicans, and according to one top GOP lawmaker, his message was that he ''put a lot on the line'' by abandoning his ''no new taxes'' campaign pledge to strike a deal with Congress.

Michel said Bush told them the plan holds real savings in expensive benefit programs, had limited military spending cuts to acceptable levels, had prevented income tax rates on the rich from rising, as Democrats wanted, and includes firm limits on future spending.

After meeting with Bush, Reps. Thomas Coleman, R-Mo., and Don Sundquist, R-Tenn., said they had been persuaded to back the package.

Rep. Clay Shaw, R-Fla., who represents many elderly in the Fort Lauderdale area, said that even though the package gives him ''major heartburns'' because

of deep Medicare cuts, ''I'm leaning very heavily in support of the package.''

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(OCT. 2) UPI - .

President Bush sent a taped message to the German people today, congratulating them for the re-unification of their long-divided nation. The president had declined an invitation to go to Germany to take part in the celebrations. Instead, he'll note the occasion with a Rose Garden ceremony tomorrow that will also mark German-American Day. .

In a telegram to German President Richard Von Weizsaecker and Chancellor Helmut Kohl, Soviet President Gorbachev sent his congratulations to the German nation. Gorbachev says he looks forward to growing ties with the newly united country. In his words- ''We expect much of our new relations with Germany.''

New Hampshire jurist David Souter will become the 105th member in the history of the U-S Supreme Court. The Senate late today voted 90year-old Souter as an associate justice. Souter's appointment could fundamentally alter the delicate balance on the nation's highest judicial body. He replaces Justice William Brennan, whose July retirement after 34 years as a leading liberal voice on the court opened the door for the eighth straight appointment by a Republican president to the Supreme Court.

President Bush spent much of today privately lobbying reluctant House Republicans to support the 500-BILLION-dollar deficit reduction plan he announced with congressional leaders during the weekend. Many House Republicans have said they would oppose the budget deal when it comes up for a House floor vote on Thursday, even though quick action is needed to keep the government operating past Friday. Bush will speak briefly tonight in a nationally broadcast talk about the budget deal.

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#90275u2689 10/02/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 2) UPI - Oil prices plummeted today on perceptions that Middle East tensions are easing and the Persian Gulf crisis may be heading toward a peaceful settlement. Crude oil fell more than three dollars a barrel and home heating oil dipped eight cents a gallon, to 92 cents. After yesterday's two-dollarcent-a-barrel plunge on the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude dropped three dollars 14 cents today to close at 33 dollars 95 cents a barrel. That's a drop of 14 percent during two days of trading.

In Philadelphia, striking teachers at Temple University are returning to the classrooms tomorrow on just a single vote. The teachers voted 200-199 in favor

of obeying a court order, handed down earlier in the day. The order called for the teachers to end their 29-day walkout. Common Pleas Judge Samuel Lehrer contended that the strike by Temple's 11-hundred teachers threatened the welfare of students and the community.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - U-S Embassy officials in Beijing say two Americans were aboard a hijacked Chinese jetliner that crashed on landing in Canton today... killing at least 120 people. One of the Americans was injured. The second is missing.

In Scotland, a judicial inquiry into the December 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 was suspended until Thursday today after a lawyer representing relatives of the American victims was killed in a car crash.

Aviation officials say three people were killed today when their small plane crashed into the side of New Hampshire's Mount Washington... New England's highest peak. The plane was bound from Syracuse, New York, to Bangor, Maine.

The Navy says one of its submarines has recovered the second half of a cargo door that tore off a United Airlines jetliner near Hawaii last year. Officials hope by examining both door sections to make a final determination of the cause of the accident that killed nine people.

Authorities in Medellin, Colombia, say at least eight people were killed and another 57 injured today when dynamite and chemicals in a cocaine manufacturing laboratory exploded. Five of the dead were children.

What Israeli officials call a malfunction set off an air raid siren today in a Jerusalem neighborhood... frightening residents and sending some hurrying to bomb shelters. The mishap occurred one day after the government announced the military would distribute gas masks to citizens.

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(OCT. 2) UPI - President Bush asked the American people to contact their legislators and urge them to support the compromise budget reduction agreement. In a nationally broadcast speech tonight, Bush said failure by Congress to approve the 500-BILLION-dollar package would weaken the already fragile economy and lead to recession. Said the president- ''The time for politics and posturing is over and the time to come together is now.''

Germans are celebrating wildly in the streets tonight, marking the rebirth of a united Germany and the end of more than four decades of post-war division. Revelers sang the national anthem and waved flags in Berlin in an emotional celebration... as leaders of the unified nation shook hands and embraced each

other. The Freedom Bell, cast in the image of Philadelphia's Liberty Bell, heralded the moment of unification and fireworks exploded in the sky over what had been West Berlin.

Newly confirmed Supreme Court Justice David Souter faces what one Washington lawyer likens to a ''culture shock'' as he makes the transition from his rustic New Hampshire homestead to the fishbowl of the nation's capital. The Senate voted 90-9 late today to confirm Souter's nomination to the high court. A high court spokesman says Souter will be sworn in next Tuesday.

A subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee today approved a 15-BILLION-dollar 1991 foreign aid bill. The measure includes a provision barring aid to countries that don't comply with U-N sanctions against Iraq. But the bill also contains two provisions that have prompted White House veto threats... one that cuts in half military aid to El Salvador and the other that allows funds for groups that support abortion. The full panel takes up the measure Thursday.

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#90275u3023 10/02/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 2) UPI - Authorities in San Francisco say four people were killed and five more injured late today when an out-of-control car plunged down a steep hill and smashed into 10 other vehicles... one of which burst into flames with a child inside. A police spokesman at the scene says the unidentified elderly driver in the careening car may have suffered a heart attack and was among the dead.

Exxon officials confirm tht the company has filed legal papers accusing the Coast Guard of negligence that contributed to the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska. The papers say the Coast Guard shares the blame for the nation's worst oil spill because, among other things, it licensed the tanker's former skipper Joseph Hazelwood. Exxon claims the Coast Guard is ''wholly or partially liable'' for more than two-BILLION dollars in cleanup and related costs.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - McKesson Corp. announced Wednesday that it has acquired a 10 percent equity interest in N.V. Medicopharma.

In addition, McKesson has the option to increase its equity position over the next two years.

Medicopharma, headquartered in Zaandam, The Netherlands, is principally engaged in pharmaceutical wholesaling in The Netherlands and the United Kingdom and manufactures and markets a line of related health care products in The Netherlands and in the United States through Medicopharma Inc. and Pennex.

Medicopharma is also engaged in veterinary wholesaling and production in The Netherlands and Belgium and in the supply of dental products in The Netherlands.

In August, Medicopharma acquired the pharmaceutical wholesale distribution business of Macarthy PLC in the United Kingdom. Earlier this year, Medicopharma acquired Butler Pharmaceuticals, a regional British pharmaceutical distributor. In 1989, those companies had combined sales of approximately $370 million.

In announcing the transaction with Medicopharma, Alan Seelenfreund, chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''Under this agreement, McKesson will take a stake in the growing and consolidating European pharmaceutical distribution market. The U.S. industry has undergone a substantial consolidation in the past decade and it now appears that the European market is poised for a similar move.

''Our investment in Medicopharma will help them finance the acquisition of the Macarthy wholesale business.''

McKesson paid approximately $13 million for its 10 percent equity position in Medicopharma.

McKesson is headquartered in San Francisco. In the fiscal year ended March 31 1990, McKesson reported revenues of $7.8 billion, operating profit of $242 million and net income after taxes of $98.7 million. Distribution of pharmaceuticals and related products accounted for revenues of $6.4 billion, or 82 percent of the total, and operating profit of $138 million, or 57 percent of the total.

In February, McKesson acquired a 50 percent equity interest in Medis Health and Pharmaceutical Services, Canada's largest and only national distributor of health care products with annual sales of about $1 billion. McKesson will acquire the balance of Medis no later than February, 1993.

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WALTHAM, MA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - SofTech Inc. has reported a net loss for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 of $471,731 or $.12 per share on 3,852,860 average shares outstanding.

Net income for the comparable period a year ago was $362,562 or $.10 per share on 3,662,358 average shares outstanding.

Revenue during the first quarter, which ended Aug. 31, 1990, was $12,890,972 compared with $10,611,982 reported for the same period last year. This 22 percent increase in revenue was due primarily to the acquisition of Information Decisions Inc. in April, 1990, and the inclusion of that company's revenue in fiscal 1991 results.

Founded in 1969, SofTech Inc. is a publicly held company providing custom software design and development, systems engineering, and integration services to government agencies and commercial companies. Headquartered in Waltham, the company employs approximately 700 people in 18 locations throughout the United States.

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MANCHESTER, N.H. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of EnergyNorth Inc. (NASDAQ:ENNI), the parent company of EnergyNorth Natural Gas Inc. and EnergyNorth Propane Inc., Wednesday declared a cash dividend of 26 cents per share, an increase of four percent from the previous quarterly cash dividend paid Sept. 14, 1990.

The dividend will be paid on Dec. 14, 1990 to shareholders of record on November 30.

EnergyNorth Inc. is a public utility holding company headquartered in Manchester, N.H. The company distributes natural and propane gas to approximately 66,000 customers in southern and central New Hampshire. Through its subsidiaries, EnergyNorth also sells, rents and repairs gas heating equipment and appliances.

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PASADENA, CA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - L. Jerome Ashford has been named vice president and Health Plan manager for Kaiser Permanente, Southern California region.

Ashford will be responsible for marketing and sales, Health Plan member services, benefit and contract administration and claims and rates.

Ashford, who assumed his new functions late September, was formerly Health

Plan manager for Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Colorado, a position he has held since 1988. Prior to that time he was president of IPM Health Plan in Vallejo.

Ashford received his bachelor's degree from Boston University and a master's degree from the University of Southern California School of Public Administration.

Kaiser Permanente, Southern California region, provides comprehensive prepaid medical care to more than 2.2 million Health Plan members from San Diego to Ventura and Kern counties. Nationwide the program serves more than 6.3 million members in 12 regions. -0-

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SACRAMENTO, CA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - First Commercial Bancorp Inc., (NASDAQ/NMS:FCOB) the holding company for First Commercial Bank, reported that third quarter earnings were the highest in its history.

W. Greg Karr, president and chief executive officer, announced third quarter earnings of $1,759,902, compared to $1,365,369 over the like period last year, an increase of more than 28 percent. Earnings per share increased from 28 cents to 37 cents.

Return on Assets and Return on Equity for the third quarter were 1.98 percent and 20.99 percent, respectively, compared to 1.91 percent and 19.59 percent during the third quarter of 1989. Third quarter net income represented the fourteenth consecutive quarter of record earnings for the company.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, the company's net income was $4,917,091, compared to $3,667,099 over the like period last year, an increase of more than 34 percent. The year-to-date earnings per share increased from 77 cents to $1.03. Book value per share increased to $7.27 at Sept. 30.

Total assets reached a record $371 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $317 million for the like period last year, a 17 percent increase. Total loans were $297 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $203 million at Sept. 30, 1989, a 46 percent increase. Total deposits increased to $334 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $283 million at Sept. 30, 1989, a 18 percent increase. Karr also stated that the board of directors authorized the company to repurchase 100,000 shares of the company's common stock in the open market and negotiated transactions.

This repurchase was successfully completed during the third quarter.

Karr also stated that the bank will open a new branch office at 865 Howe Ave., Sacramento, on Oct. 9, and said the opening of this new office allows the bank to expand its presence in the dynamic Sacramento marketplace.

First Commercial Bank, founded in 1979, and a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., is an independent bank headquartered in Sacramento.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Adobe Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ADBE) Wednesday announced that Digital Equipment Corp. will bundle Adobe's Display PostScript software with Digital's DECwindows workstation software running under the VMS operating system.

Shipments of DECwindows software incorporating Display PostScript software for VMS will begin this month including the upgrading of the installed base. Digital already bundles the Display PostScript System with DECwindows running under its ULTRIX operating system.

The Display PostScript system is a systems software component developed by Adobe for imaging text and graphics on computer displays. It incorporates the same imaging model and language used in printers with PostScript interpreters.

With Display PostScript as part of their computer's systems software, users of Digital workstations will be able to see on their screen exactly what they will get on their PostScript printer. In addition, because displays and printers use the same imaging model, applications become easier to write and easier to transfer from one computer to another.

Applications for the VMS operating system that will support the Display PostScript system include V1.1 of DECwrite, expected to be available from Digital as a separate product later this month. DECwrite is Digital's premier, CDA-capable compound document editor. CDA (Compound Document Architecture) is Digital's software architecture that enables users to create and share revisable compound documents, consisting of text, graphics and images, across a network of mixed-vendor computers.

Adobe Systems Inc., founded in 1982 by Dr. John Warnock and Dr. Charles Geschke, is headquartered in Mountain View. Adobe is the developer of PostScript, the industry-standard page description language for electronic printing and publishing and Display PostScript, a device-independent graphics software component for computer displays.

Digital Equipment Corp., with headquarters in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - A strategic and cooperative marketing agreement involving various products of Xerox Corp. and Interleaf Inc. was announced Wednesday by the two companies.

The alliance, effective Oct. 1, calls for the companies to exchange current and developing technologies and to create and promote products that will enhance the ability to directly interconnect Interleaf software products with Xerox intelligent peripheral publishing products.

No financial details of the transaction were revealed.

Initially, the agreement will be confined to the United States, but the companies said they intend to eventually expand it and other cooperative activities worldwide.

Wayland R. Hicks, Xerox executive vice president, marketing and customer operations, said, ''The arrangement with Interleaf widens our capability to provide additional, proven publishing options to better satisfy the requirements of our customers.''

Robert K. Weiler, president of Interleaf said, ''The agreement is an opportunity for us to broaden our customer base and make our active publishing technology available to even more corporate and government publishing networks.''

The executives said the strategic and cooperative marketing relationship will enable Xerox and Interleaf to deliver a complete range of publishing solutions to their respective customer bases and maximize the strengths of both companies.

Xerox products involved in the transaction with Interleaf are Xerox intelligent peripheral publishing products, including scanners and electronic printers, as well as the Xerox systems integration expertise.

Interleaf active publishing technology provides full solutions for accessing information, transforming it into text and graphics, distributing it electronically or on paper and managing the flow of documents and information.
  With 31 sales offices in the United States and Canada, and subsidiaries and distributors in Europe, Latin America and Asia/Pacific, Interleaf has more than 45,000 users.

Xerox has its headquarters in Stamford. Interleaf is in Cambridge, Mass.

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CAMPBELL, CA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Mountain Network Solutions Inc., an industry leader in data management solutions for personal computers, workstations and LANs, Wednesday introduced the ''Performance and Reliability Guaranteed'' program covering its mini-cartridge single-user/personal computing products.

At a glance, the comprehensive customer satisfaction program includes the following product and service features:

o Reduced pricing on FileSafe 4000 tape subsystems, with a new retail price of $389 on all internal configurations.

o Increased capacity through software data compression: 120 MBytes for the FileSafe 4000; up to 304 MBytes for the FileSafe 8000Plus.

o Superior two-year product warranty.

o One-year warranty extension program for the installed base currently under warranty.

o 60-day satisfaction-or-your-money-back guarantee.

o Worldwide technical assistance and support, 24 hours a day.

o Award-winning FileSafe tape backup software.

Effective immediately, retail pricing has been reduced across the board on all

of Mountain's field-proven FileSafe 4000 products. External configurations are priced as low as $599, and all internal versions are now priced at $389 -- a reduction of more than $200.

The two-year warranty -- the longest in the industry -- is complemented by a 60-day, money-back guarantee on Mountain's mini-cartridge line, which has been field-tested across a wide range of operating and network system environments on more than 100 personal computer models. The 60-day satisfaction guarantee will be offered on all tape backup units purchased through year-end.

Mountain's full line of FileSafe tape backup subsystems and FileTalk network data management solutions are marketed through retail and OEM distribution channels worldwide.

The company was founded in 1977 and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Nakamichi Peripherals Corp. Mountain has headquarters at 240 E. Hacienda Ave., Campbell Calif., with engineering and manufacturing facilities in nearby Scotts Valley and advanced software research and development facilities in San Diego.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - J.P. Morgan & Co. Inc. Wednesday announced the formation of J.P. Morgan California, a California chartered trust company, to meet the fiduciary, investment management and securities safekeeping needs of clients statewide.

With offices in Los Angeles and San Francisco, J.P. Morgan California will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of J.P. Morgan & Co.

George Rowe, managing director of J.P. Morgan's California Private Banking Group, was named president of the new trust company and will direct its activities throughout the state. He will continue to oversee the operations of Morgan Guaranty's representative offices in California.

''California is becoming an ever more powerful and pace-setting force on the world economic marketplace,'' Rowe noted. ''During the past year, we have expanded our private banking operations in the state to enable us to offer increasingly sophisticated services. The trust company represents a major next step in our commitment to California.''

As a trust company, J.P. Morgan California will deliver the global resources

of Morgan to meet the sophisticated fiduciary, investment management and securities safekeeping needs of a targeted group of individuals, family groups closely held corporations and philanthropic organizations in the state, Rowe said.

J.P. Morgan & Co. provides banking and other financial services to corporations, governments, institutions and individuals throughout the world. Its activities include providing corporate finance advice and arranging financing for clients, underwriting and trading securities, and managing pension and other investment funds.

Morgan's domestic private banking offices are located in New York, Los Angeles San Francisco, Palm Beach, Fla., and Wilmington, Del.

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HONG KONG (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Brian L. Baggett has been appointed vice president, project development, for Regent International Hotels, according to Rudolf Greiner, the company's president.

Baggett will head up the already well-established project department, working with Wilfried Wagner, who remains vice president, technical services.

Baggett has over 20 years experience in the construction industry, working both for the contractor and for the developer. He has worked in the development of hotels and resorts since 1972 in various regions of the world. His prior experience includes being director of construction for a major international hotel company, where he was responsible for overseeing design and construction of various properties in the United States, Mexico and Europe and for the project development of a $500 million New York hotel.

During the past two years he has been on the faculties of the College of Engineering and Business Administration at the University of Colorado, lecturing building design systems, construction management and international business management.

Baggett was awarded a master's degree and a doctorate degree in business administration from George Washington University, a master of sciences degree in construction management from Stanford University and a bachelor of sciences degree in civil engineering from the University of California, Berkeley. He is a special member of the ASCE Construction Research Council and is on the International Construction Taskforce of the Construction Industry Institute.

Baggett said, ''I have always admired Regent International Hotels' operation, and I am honored to be able to join the company and continue the Regent philosophy in constructing the world's finest hotels during this time of Regent's continued expansion.''

Bagget will have headquarters at Regent's corporate offices in Hong Kong. He is married and has one child, aged four months.

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PARIS (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - ESPRIT's EUROCHIP program for VLSI Design Action Wednesday announced that Mentor Graphics will supply approximately 500 32-bit electronic design workstations to EUROCHIP member universities.

Software for VLSI design includes schematic capture, simulation, IC layout and documentation.

EUROCHIP has member institutions across Europe, so Mentor Graphics' broad European support was a key factor in the decision. Mentor Graphics also has the largest installed base in the electronics industry, making it an appropriate choice for the training of future VLSI designers.

Jean-Claude Caraes, Mentor Graphics vice president of Europe Headquarters, said: ''Starting nine year ago, Mentor Graphics made a conscious commitment to the universities. This contract brings our installed university base, in Europe alone, to approximately 2,000 seats. We believe in the EUROCHIP program as a competitive edge for European electronic firms, and are proud to be a European partner.''

The first training on Mentor Graphics VLSI design systems actually began in July, at the same time as the first systems were delivered. All 500 seats are scheduled to be installed by the end of this year. Financial terms were not

disclosed.

EUROCHIP is focused on five leading European institutions which function as ''design centers'' to support other facilities in their respective regions. These centers are CMP, France; Technical University of Denmark (DTH); the German National Research Center for Computer Science (GMD); Interuniversity Microelectronics Center (IMEC), Belgium; and the Rutherford Appleton Laboratory (RAL); United Kingdom.

The VLSI Design Action is part of Europe's response to the challenge created by increasing use of microelectronics in the rapidly expanding high technology industries. The Commission of the European Community has launched this program, placed under ESPRIT, and has allocated 13.5 million ECU (approximately $17 million) to train an additional 3,000 university students in VLSI design each year. This need in human resources was emphasized during the last ESPRIT Conference, held in Brussels in November 1989.

Mentor Graphics Corp. was established in 1981 to design, manufacture, market and service electronic design automation (EDA) systems. The company is the European and worldwide leader in EDA sales, with global revenues of $437 million over the last 12 months. The company currently employs more than 2,500 people. Mentor Graphics has corporate offices in Beaverton, Ore.; European headquarters in Paris and sales and support offices in 66 locations worldwide.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America Wednesday announced the appointment of three new senior vice presidents in its World Banking Group: J.D. Gordon Branston, Aniruddha Roy and Townsend Walker.

Branston, 38, manages its Asia Division corporate finance activities and is managing director of BA Asia Limited, the bank's Hong Kong-based merchant bank. He joined the bank's Europe, Middle East and Africa Division in 1976, where he held credit and marketing positions of increasing responsibility in London and as manager of the Edinburgh Branch.

He moved to Hong Kong as an investment banking officer at BA Asia Limited in 1987, was named its managing director in 1989 and assumed his corporate finance responsibilities in February.

Branston holds an MA in English from Aberdeen University and an LLM in Law from St. Johns College at Cambridge University.

Roy, 39, has been a senior investment banking officer at the bank's New

York-based Leveraged Finance group since 1988. Roy, who received a BS in Physics from Calcutta University and an MBA in Finance from the Indian Institute of Management, joined the bank as a trainee at the bank's Calcutta Branch in 1975.

He was named senior credit officer at the New Delhi Branch in 1979 and later headed Asia Division's Planning Unit. Roy became a senior credit administrator for the that division in 1983 and was named Asia Division senior credit officer in 1986, the position he held prior to assuming his New York responsibilities in 1988.

Walker, 48, has headed the Risk Management trading and marketing activities of the bank's Capital Markets Division since April. He holds a BS in Foreign Service from Georgetown University, an MA in Economics from New York University and a PhD in Economics from Stanford University.

Walker joined the bank's Europe Middle East and Africa Division in 1972, where he served as a foreign exchange trader and senior international treasury consultant until 1979, when he was named a North America Division global account officer. He moved to the Investment Banking Group in 1984 to serve as a regional investment banking officer and later as manager of Asset Securitization. He was named manager of Risk Management Marketing for the bank's Capital Markets Division in 1989.

SAN FRANCISCO EDITORS NOTE: Townsend Walker also serves as chairman of the board of the nonprofit Chinese Community Housing Corporation, which has provided 500 single room occupancy housing units for low income people in San Francisco and has another 800 SRO units and apartments now in progress.

In addition to his responsibilities as chairman, Walker has worked directly on the financial structuring and financing of several of these projects. He is also chairman of the board of the newly formed nonprofit North of Market Development Corporation.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America has named Paul M. Dorfman, Credit Policy Bankwide, an executive vice president.

With Bank of America since 1973, and in Credit Policy since 1986, Dorfman is responsible for the development and review of credit and country risk policies and for the approval of certain high-dollar-amount lending. He is chairman of the bank's Country Review Committee and vice chairman of the Credit Policy Committee.

''Paul is widely respected by colleagues for his leadership in improving our credit process, and we are pleased to recognize his significant contributions '' said Vice Chairman Glenhall E. Taylor, Jr., head of Credit Policy. Taylor also praised Dorfman's valuable role in working with civic groups, regulators, analysts, and others on credit policy issues.

Dorfman, 51, joined the bank as an account officer in the World Banking Division and later held key credit assignments in Europe and Asia. In 1982, he was appointed a senior vice president. He was named senior credit officer for World Banking in 1985.

A graduate of Princeton University with a B.A. degree in economics, Dorfman also holds a J.D. degree from Yale University Law School. He practiced law in Illinois from 1964 to 1969, and in the early 1970s worked at Continental Illinois Venture Corp. and JMB Realty Corp.

He has been active in Robert Morris Associates, a national association of bank credit and lending officers, and now serves as president of its Northern Caliifornia chapter.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Two miniature transceivers announced this week by Allied Telesis Inc., (ATI), make it possible for twisted pair or thin Ethernet wiring to replace conventional AUI drop cables that connect computers and workstations to LANs (Local Area Networks).

The new products are compatible with Ethernet 10BASE-T Draft 10 and 10BASE2, and they comply with IEEE 802.3 specifications. They can be plugged directly onto workstations or terminals currently configured with a 15-pin AUI (Attachment Unit Interface) female connector.

The CentreCOM MX Series consists of miniature thin Ethernet transceivers that install directly onto AUI female connectors and provide a BNC connector (10BASE2).

The MX-10 unit is about the size of a business card, with a depth of less than one inch, and it weighs less than three ounces. SQE TEST, or Heartbeat, may be turned on or off via an externally accessible switch. Heartbeat status and DTE power are indicated by a dual color LED. The transceiver complies with IEEE 802.3 specifications.

The CentreCOM 210-T Series is a twisted-pair transceiver that fits over AUI

connectors and provides twisted-pair network connectivity.

The 210-T is the same compact size as the MX-10 (2.36inches by 1.77inches by 0.79inches), with a full complement of indicators that show power present (power supplied by the DTE), Heartbeat (SQE Test) enabled, polarity, active jabber, transmit, receive, valid link and collision status.

Both products are available for immediate delivery at an introductory retail price of $149.95 each; warranty is for two years.

Allied Telesis Inc., provides network building blocks based on industry standards. These include single and multiport transceivers, multimedia concentrators, repeaters, bridges and other related products. The company markets products worldwide through distributors and dealers.

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AUSTIN, TX (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. William J. Spencer, group vice president and senior technical officer of Xerox Corp., Wednesday was named president and chief executive officer of SEMATECH.

Spencer replaces the late Dr. Robert N. Noyce, who headed the consortium from July 1988 until his sudden death in June 1990. SEMATECH is a nonprofit industry-government research consortium aimed at restoring U.S. leadership in semiconductor manufacturing.

''I am honored to join the elite team at SEMATECH,'' Spencer told SEMATECH personnel at the employee announcement this morning. ''The national mission we must accomplish is key to America's competitiveness and key to preserving our standard of living for our children and grandchildren. I am confident that by working together, SEMATECH will succeed in its mission.''

Spencer, 60, joined Xerox in 1981 as manager of the Integrated Circuit Laboratory at the firm's Palo Alto Research Center. As group vice president of the corporate research group in Stamford, Conn., Spencer managed Xerox's research and development activities on a world-wide basis.

Before joining Xerox, Spencer was director of Systems Development and Microelectronics at Sandia Laboratories and was a research professor at the University of New Mexico School of Medicine. He began his career at Bell Telephone Laboratories in 1959 after receiving his Ph.D. in physics from

Kansas State University.

''SEMATECH and the semiconductor industry are extremely fortunate to have Bill Spencer as a champion and leader,'' said Charles Sporck, chairman of SEMATECH's board of directors and head of the chief executive officer selection team.

''With his experience in key research positions at Bell Laboratories, Sandia National Laboratories and Xerox Corp., Dr. Spencer has the technical expertise to implement programs which will enable this country to remain globally competitive.

''This was a very gratifying selection process,'' Sporck said. ''There were many excellent candidates who came forward and expressed interest in joining SEMATECH.''

''I congratulate the SEMATECH board of directors on an outstanding choice for CEO,'' said Dr. Turner E. Hasty, SEMATECH's chief operating officer. ''Bill's qualifications for this job are superb. His proven leadership qualities will be very important to the continued success of SEMATECH. On behalf of the men and women of SEMATECH, we are both pleased and excited to have Dr. Spencer on our team.''

Spencer joins the Office of the Chief Executive, which also includes Hasty and Peter H. Mills, chief administrative officer.

As chief executive officer, Spencer will direct SEMATECH's advanced semiconductor manufacturing staff, which is based in Austin. He also will be SEMATECH's primary liaison to its 14 member companies and the federal government.

SEMATECH is developing advanced semiconductor manufacturing methods, equipment and materials in a world-class demonstration facility in Austin. Research results are transferred to member firms and the federal government for commercial and military applications. The federal government actively participates in SEMATECH through the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) in the Department of Defense.

SEMATECH member firms include Advanced Micro Devices, AT&T, DEC, Harris Corp., Hewlett-Packard, IBM, Intel, LSI Logic, Micron Technology, Motorola, NCR, National Semiconductor, Rockwell International and Texas Instruments.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Six interstate natural gas pipeline companies have entered into a letter of intent to own and operate joint-interest onshore and offshore pipeline facilities to transport up to 1.2 billion cubic feet of natural gas per day (Bcf/d) from the Mobile Bay area offshore southern Alabama.

The settlement, which is subject to further negotiation and execution of a definitive agreement among the companies, would consolidate several onshore and offshore projects proposed as a result of the Mobile Bay area open season proceeding before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

The participants are ANR Pipeline Co., Florida Gas Transmission Co., Southern Natural Gas Co., Tennessee Gas Pipeline Co., Texas Eastern Transmission Corp., and Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corp. (TGPL).

The onshore facilities will include TGPL's existing 123-mile, 30-inch pipeline that extends from the Mobile Oil Exploration & Producing Southeast Inc. gas processing plant in Mobile County, Ala., to an interconnection with the TGPL mainline near Butler, Ala. The addition of compression and the construction of pipeline loop will increase the capacity of the onshore system from 300 million cubic feet per day (MMcf/d) to 1.2 Bcf/d.

A proposed 77-mile offshore pipeline system with a capacity of more than 700 MMcf/d will be constructed from Main Pass Area Block 252, offshore Alabama, and extend to a Shell Offshore Inc. plant under construction in Mobile County. Pending FERC approval, construction of the new facilities is expected to begin in early 1991.

Pipeline company officials said that this agreement represents a significant step forward in developing the prolific gas supply potential of the Mobile Bay area and securing a valuable domestic energy source. Access to these substantial gas reserves through the FERC's expeditious approval of this settlement can be a key ingredient in the United States' effort to lessen its dependence on imported oil.

The group noted that essentially all of the pipeline companies that had proposed projects in the Mobile Bay area have now agreed on one project that will best serve the nation's energy needs; producers in the area will benefit from what is expected to be prompt regulatory approval for this settlement; and the increased economic development potential should enhance the southern Alabama business climate.

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MENLO PARK, CA (OCT, 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Jim Van Kerkhove has been named vice president of manufacturing for Siltec Silicon, Siltec President and Chief Executive Officer Stanley Myers announced Wednesday.

Van Kerkhove will be responsible for all manufacturing operations, facilities, and production control for Siltec's Salem, Ore., silicon wafer manufacturing facilities, reporting to Myers.

Van Kerkhove has over 20 years experience in a wide range of manufacturing, materials, and facilities management positions, first at Xerox Corp. and since 1978, at Intel Corp.

Most recently, he served as Intel's Systems Group Materials manager for worldwide manufacturing. Van Kerkhove earned his bachelor's of science in industrial engineering from Cornell University and master's of business administration in operations management from Rochester Institute of Technology.

Siltec Silicon, a business unit of Siltec Corp., manufactures and markets silicon wafers, the strategic material from which integrated circuits and semiconductor devices are fabricated. With headquarters in Menlo Park, Siltec's manufacturing operations for both polished and epitaxial silicon wafers are located in Salem. Siltec ownership is shared by three Mitsubishi Group companies.

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DENVER (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Nevada Goldfields Corp. reported a loss of US $9,404,000, or $1.04 per share, on revenues of US $11,636,000, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This loss includes a write-down on its Empire Project and the five claims comprising the underground ore zone at the company's Kingston Mine. The write-downs and depreciation, depletion and amortization amounted to US $9,650,000. Total gold production for the year was 19,684 ounces of which 13,277 was produced from its Aurora Mine and the balance from its Kingston operations.

Through Sept. 14, 1990, the company has reduced total debt by approximately US $10.1 million since the closure of its Kingston Mine in August 1989. Debt primarily consists of a US $4.5 million gold loan, US $3 million of 10 percent convertible subordinated debentures, due April 1999, and a short-term bank note of US $7 million.

Debentureholders holding approximately US $6.6 million have converted to common stock of the company and the remaining debentureholders have agreed to a two-year moratorium on interest payments in consideration for a reduction in the conversion price.

As part of an agreement with the company's lenders, the US $7 million short-term note is to be cancelled upon payment of US $2 million which is expected to be sourced from the planned US $6 million private placement financing announced on Sept. 11, 1990. As a result of the debenture conversions, and a US $700,000 private placement, the company's outstanding shares on Sept. 14, 1990, increased to 15,953,735.

Since July of 1989, Nevada Goldfields has completed 15,600 ft. of reverse circulation drilling in the Aurora district, of which approximately 10,800 ft. has been reconnaissance drilling. Three additional mineralized target areas were identified for further drilling.

The remaining exploration drilling centered on the Humboldt vein and added to existing reserves. Current mineral inventory in proven and probable categories is 433,000 tons at 0.21 ounces gold per ton. Aurora currently mills ore at a rate of approximately 80,000 tons per year.

Nevada Goldfields Corp. is a Canadian public company with two gold mines in Nevada. Its shares trade on The Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol NGF, on NASDAQ under the symbol NGFCF, and on the Stuttgart Exchange, West Germany, under the symbol NGF SG.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of MagneTek Inc.

(NYSE:MAG) has changed the date of the company's annual shareholders meeting from Oct. 31 to Nov. 19.

According to Board Chairman Andrew G. Galef, the postponement will allow time for additional candidates for board membership to be nominated and voted upon by MagneTek's shareholders.

The record date for MagneTek's annual meeting remains Sept. 27. The meeting will be held in the Salon of the JW Marriott Hotel at Century City, 2151 Avenue of the Stars, Los Angeles.

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LAS VEGAS (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Electronic Data Technologies is proud to announce Wednesday the appointment to its board of directors of Phil Hannifin.

Hannifin was chairman of Nevada's Gaming Control Board for seven years prior to becoming a senior executive for Summa, Harrah's and now MGM Grand. In all, Hannifin has served 12 years as a senior executive for three of the largest gaming companies in the world.

He has also served as a member of the board of directors of a large regional airline, a leading defense contractor and several companies in the hotel-casino industry.

''We are very excited that Phil has joined our board,'' said Charles N. Mathewson, chairman of the board of Electronic Data Technologies. ''His wealth of experience will add a significant input to EDT.''

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CULVER CITY, CALIF. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - At the special meeting of stockholders of MGM/UA Communications Co. (MGM/UA) Tuesday, the stockholders approved the adoption of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, providing for the merger of a subsidiary of Pathe Communications Corp. (Pathe) with and into MGM/UA (the ''Merger'').

The Merger had previously been approved by the board of directors of MGM/UA. Under the terms of the Merger, the stockholders of MGM/UA will receive $21.50 in cash for each share of MGM/UA common stock and preferred stock, $4 of which

was paid to stockholders on July 20, 1990, from an account funded by Pathe.

The payment of the remaining $17.50 per share will be paid upon completion of the Merger, which is expected to occur on or before Oct. 23.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Wells Fargo Bank Wednesday announced that it plans to retain 85 percent of Great American Bank's branches in San Diego, Orange and Riverside counties.

This is more than Wells Fargo had originally estimated when the acquisition of Great American was announced in July.

''Great American has offices in many communities Wells Fargo has never served and we want to be there,'' said Drew Tanzman, senior vice president and manager of a new Wells Fargo retail division headquartered in San Diego. ''We intend to serve the communities in these counties with the same dedication that Great American displayed over the years.''

''In San Diego County, we are retaining 90 percent of Great American's branches -- a total of 57 offices out of 64,'' said Tanzman. Combined with 19 Wells Fargo offices the bank is retaining (out of 26), the Great American branches will boost Wells Fargo's total offices in San Diego county to 76, once the integration is completed early next year.

''This will be the largest branch network of any financial institution in the county,'' said Tanzman. Additionally, the combined bank will offer customers access to 1500 ATMs statewide and 24-hour telephone banking service, according to Tanzman.

In Orange County, 12 out of 16 Great American branches will remain open and in Riverside County, nine out of 12 Great American offices will be retained.

Wells Fargo will retain 37 out of 39 branches in Orange County and all of its 9 branches in Riverside County. Once the branch conversions are completed early next year, Wells Fargo will have a total of 47 offices in Orange County and 18 offices in Riverside County.

''All affected Wells Fargo and Great American employees have been notified of the pending changes, which will not take place until early 1991,'' said Tanzman. Tanzman added that final decisions about the branches were made in consultation with Great American officials over the last few weeks.

Both banks have been holding open as many positions as possible since the merger announcement, according to Tanzman. ''Wells Fargo's goal is to offer employment opportunities to anyone who wants to work for the company,'' said Tanzman.

''Given the significant increase in the number of branches we will have in the three counties, as well as our longer hours (9 a.m.- 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m.- 4 p.m. Saturday), we believe this goal is achievable.''

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NEWPORT BEACH, CA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Quiksilver Inc. (NASDAQ:QUIK), owner of the Quiksilver trademark for the United States and Mexico, and Na Pali, S.A., a privately held French company that holds the license to market Quiksilver products in Europe, issued a joint statement Wednesday announcing that the two companies had entered into a letter of intent contemplating the purchase by Quiksilver of Na Pali.

John C. Warner, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Quiksilver, stated that Quiksilver's purchase of Na Pali presented a major opportunity for Quiksilver to expand into Europe by joining forces with the existing European company.

Na Pali has been successfully manufacturing and marketing Quiksilver products in Europe since it was founded in 1984. Na Pali is located near Biarritz, France, the ''surfing capital'' of Europe.

Warner stated: ''Na Pali has built a solid base for Quiksilver in Europe. We've always worked closely with Na Pali and have a strong working relationship and synergy with their management. The joining of the two companies is a natural expansion of the Quiksilver family. We think the combined strengths and resources of the two companies will make Quiksilver a more formidable force in the European market.''

Harry Hodge, president and director general of Na Pali said: ''Na Pali is poised to further penetrate and develop the European market. We believe that our market position and image in Europe is well established and similar to that of Quiksilver Inc. four year ago in America. The combination of Na Pali's sales and marketing expertise along with Quiksilver Inc.'s financial strength and strength in product development and control systems will enable us to continue our growth and improve profitability while maintaining a quality, authentic image.''

Na Pali currently markets Quiksilver products in 17 European countries,

including France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Great Britain and Greece, as well as in the French colonies, representing a total market of more than 300 million people.

For its fiscal year ended May 31, 1990, Na Pali reported sales of approximately $21 million (US) and pretax income of approximately $800,000 (US).

Sales and net income for Na Pali were unaudited and stated according to French accounting principles. Quiksilver believes that adjustments would be required to convert Na Pali's May 31, 1990, financial statements and interim financial statements prior to closing to a basis consistent with the financial statements of Quiksilver and that the effect of those adjustments on Na Pali would be to reduce net income or possibly incur a loss for those periods.

Quiksilver strongly believes that the combination of the two companies provides an excellent opportunity for sales growth and substantial earnings improvement in Na Pali.

The letter of intent contemplates that Quiksilver will acquire Na Pali for the purchase price of approximately $10.5 million. It is anticipated that the proposed transaction will be funded through internally generated resources. Of the $10.5 million purchase price $5.5 million will be in cash at the closing with the remaining $5 million to be paid in cash or Quiksilver stock contingent upon the performance of Na Pali over a two-year period following the closing.

At the closing Quiksilver will provide Na Pali with an additional $5 million working capital. Quiksilver's proposed acquisition of Na Pali will be subject to the negotiation of a definitive acquisition agreement as well as the approval of the board of directors of both companies, Quiksilver Garments Pty, Ltd., the Australian licensor of the Quiksilver name and the French Ministry of Finance.

The agreement will also be subject to the successful renegotiation of the license agreement between Garments and Na Pali.

It is anticipated that the transaction will be consummated by Dec. 1, 1990.

Quiksilver designs, arranges for the manufacture of and distributes beachwear, skiwear and casual clothing primarily for young men and boys under the Quiksilver label. The company's products are made primarily in the United States and sold in approximately 2,000 surf shops, specialty store and selected department store locations.

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Netcor Inc., a Fremont based manufacturer of computer network connection devices, announced Wednesday that it had made initial customer deliveries of its new ten port Ethernet repeater product.

The new product, designated NC208, provides network connectivity solutions for the interconnection of multiples of network segments using either fiber optic or coaxial cables.

According to Steve Loring, marketing vice president for Netcor, the new product will allow Netcor to participate at a higher level in the computer networking market and sets the stage for the development of Netcor's multi media connectivity center which is planned for initial production during the first half of 1991.

The NC208 is designed for application in large corporate computer networks and contains provisions for the interconnection of network segments as well as the implementation of a network backbone facility using fiber optic cable.

Additionally, Netcor announced that Juan A. Monico has joined the company as vice president, engineering. Monico is a veteran Silicon Valley engineering executive having held key management positions at Fairchild, American Micro Devices and Molecular Computers.

Netcor also announced that it has fully executed its plan for the consolidation of its operations with those of Giltronix Inc., following the acquisition of 85 percent of the shares of Giltronix in January of 1990.

As a result of this consolidation, the monthly expenses of the combined companies have been reduced substantially. Both companies have been relocated to a 16,000-square-foot facility in Fremont, which Netcor has subleased until 1993.

The company also announced that Wells Fargo Bank has agreed to renew the line of credit previously extended to Giltronix Inc., a subsidiary of Netcor until Feb. 28, 1991, in an amount not to exceed $300,000.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Jack Lascar has been named manager of investor relations at Tenneco Inc.

Lascar earned his bachelor's degree in international relations from the University of Social Sciences in Grenoble, France. He also holds master's of business administration and a master's of economics degrees from the University of Houston.

Lascar joined Tenneco in 1981 as an international economist in the corporate planning and development department. In 1983, he was promoted to the position of senior planning analyst and served in that capacity until being named planning manager in 1986. In 1988, he was promoted to the position of business planning manager at the company's Tenneco Automotive division in Lincolnshire, Ill.

Prior to joining Tenneco, Lascar was employed as an associate economist at Wharton Econometrics Forecasting Associates in Philadelphia.

Tenneco Inc. is a Houston-based, diversified industrial corporation with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, shipbuilding, automotive parts, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - United Airlines announced Wednesday that it will offer its popular Mele Kalikimaka (Merry Christmas) fares between Honolulu and the Mainland to Hawaii residents again this year.

The fares represent exceptional values for holiday travel to the Mainland. Sample round trip fares are: $248 from Honolulu to Los Angeles, Oakland, San Francisco, San Diego, Seattle and Portland. Sample round trip fares from Honolulu to interior cities include $298 to Denver and Las Vegas, $348 to Dallas/Ft. Worth, $398 to Chicago, and $448 to New York and Boston.

Outer-island service is available for an additional fare of $20. Mileage Plus accrual, Mileage Plus upgrades and Silver Wings discounts will be allowed in conjunction with the Mele Kalikimaka fares.

The special holiday fares are available to Hawaii residents only and proof of Hawaii residency must be shown at time of purchase. Travel to the Mainland must occur between Dec. 14 and Dec. 27, while the return portion must be completed between Dec. 29 and Jan. 7, 1991.

The fares are non-refundable, and tickets must be paid for within one day after booking the reservation. Seats are limited under these special fares and significant restrictions apply.

United has offered special discount fares to Hawaii residents for travel during the holiday period since 1985.

United's offer takes advantage of the directional nature of heavy holiday traffic from the Mainland, allowing Hawaii residents to travel counter to the Mainland flow at special low fares.

''United is pleased to offer these special fares to our friends in Hawaii for the sixth consecutive year,'' said John C. Pope, executive vice president of marketing and planning.

''The fares benefit both the people of Hawaii and United, and they are our way of saying 'Mele Kalikimaka' to our friends in Hawaii.''

The fares can be booked through travel agents or United Airlines.

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BURBANK, CA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Mortgage and Realty Trust (NYSE:MRT), which filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganization on April 12, announced Wednesday that it has reached an agreement in principle with the Creditors and Shareholders committees on the terms of a consensual plan of reorganization which would replace the plan previously filed by the Trust on Sept. 7, 1990.

The proposed plan would provide for the repayment of the Trust's indebtedness within four-and-one-half years, with interest at an initial rate of prime plus 1 percent, increasing .25 percent every six months.

The parties will proceed promptly with the preparation of a definitive plan and disclosure statement which will be presented to the Bankruptcy Court. After approval of the disclosure statement by the court, consents to the plan will be solicited from parties in interest and the court will hold a hearing on confirmation of the plan.

Mortgage and Realty Trust is a self-administered real estate investment trust with investments in floating-rate real estate loans and real estate equities nationwide. Shareholders' equity as of June 30, 1990, was approximately $180 million. The Trust's 11 million common shares are traded on the New York

Stock Exchange under the symbol MRT.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxtor Corp. (NASDAQ: MXTR) Wednesday announced the appointment of Stephen R. Strain to the newly created position of vice president, corporate human resources.

He will report to George M. Scalise, Maxtor president and chief executive.

Strain will oversee human resources functions at the corporate level for Maxtor's four operating units: Maxtor California, Maxtor Colorado, Storage Dimensions and Maxoptix.

''Maxtor has grown tremendously in these past few months,'' said Scalise. ''Since the addition of the Maxtor Colorado team, the number of employees in the corporation has doubled.

''Steve brings to Maxtor vast expertise in integrating and coordinating corporate human resource functions worldwide. He will be integral to the success of the new structure we have implemented to manage our growth.'' Maxtor currently employs approximately 9,000 worldwide.

Strain, 49, has spent most of his career in the electronics industry. Prior to Maxtor, he was vice president of human resources for Western Digital. He has also worked as vice president of human resources at Seagate Technology, and in senior human resources positions at AMD and Hewlett Packard.

He is a native of Cincinnati and holds a bachelor's degree from Miami University, Ohio, and an MBA from UCLA.

Maxtor Corp., San Jose, was founded in 1982. Maxtor designs and manufactures high-performance Winchester and optical data storage products in San Jose; Longmont, Colo.; Singapore; Hong Kong and Malaysia. Its products range from 40MB to 2.1GB capacity and are designed for desktop and portable computer systems, workstations, local area networks and mainframes. Its stock is traded under the NASDAQ symbol MXTR.

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MARKHAM, ONTARIO (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Geac Computer Corp. Ltd. (TSE:GAC) announced Wednesday that Geac and C.U. Processing Inc. of Detroit have agreed to a realignment of their respective U.S.-based credit-union businesses in order to better serve their existing credit-union clients and the U.S. credit-union marketplace.

As a result of the transaction, C.U. Processing, an existing value-added remarketer (VAR) of Geac hardware and software products, will take over the direct sales and support of both its own and Geac's application products. Geac will provide direct technical, system-level and hardware support to both C.U. Processing and the combined customer base.

Stephen J. Sadler, president and chief executive officer of Geac, noted that the realignment of the skills and resources of the two organizations will utilize the strengths of both companies which will result in an enhanced ability to provide Geac technology-based financial solutions for the U.S. credit-union marketplace.

Founded in 1971, Geac Computer is a world leader in the design, integration and manufacture of computer solutions, serving several vertical markets worldwide with revenues of over $72 million. Geac has development centers in Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom and France. Its world headquarters are in Markham.

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VAN NUYS, Calif. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Martin Lawrence Limited Editions Inc. announced that the company's common stock began trading Wednesday on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ''MLE.''

The company's board of directors approved the move from the NASDAQ National Market System, where the company's stock had been traded for approximately six years, to the New York Stock Exchange, in order to gain greater visibility for its shares in the international financial marketplace.

Martin Lawrence Limited Editions is an integrated publisher, retailer and wholesaler of limited edition serigraphs, lithographs, sculpture and other works of fine art created by internationally renowned and emerging artists. The company also purchases, for resale, original works of art as well as limited edition works by recognized artists not published by the company.

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Northern Railroad Co. (the ''company'' or ''BN Railroad'') announced Wednesday a series of proposed exchange offers to holders of its Great Northern Railway Co. General Mortgage Bonds, 3-1/8 percent Series O due 2000 and 2-5/8 percent Series Q due 2010, Northern Pacific Railway Co. General Lien Railway and Land Grant 3 percent Bonds due 2047 and prior Lien Railway and Land Grants Bonds due 1997, and St. Louis - San Francisco First Mortgage Bonds, 4 percent, Series A due 1997, and Income Debentures, 5 percent, Series A due 2006 (collectively, the ''Old Debt Securities'').

Merrill Lynch Capital Markets will act as Dealer Manager for these exchange offers.

Under the terms of the proposed exchange offers, holders of Old Debt Securities will have the option of exchanging such securities for a like principal amount of bonds of a new series of Burlington Northern Railroad Co. Consolidated Mortgage Bonds. The interest rates and maturities of these bonds have not yet been determined.

The purposes of the exchange offers will be to enable BN Railroad to reflect in its financial statements the current market value of the Old Debt Securites exchanged; to lengthen the average maturity of some of its debt; to eliminate or modify certain restrictive covenants and other provisions contained in certain of the Old Debt Securities; and to consolidate certain of BN Railroad's debt under BN Railroad's Consolidated Mortgage.

BN Railroad expects there to be a number of additional accounting effects from the proposed exchange offers. These include the recognition of the gain, for financial reporting purposes, on the extinguishment of the Old Debt Securites as a result of the discount of their market value; the flow-through of the gain (on an after-tax basis) into stockholder's equity; and the discounting of the new bonds issued in exchange for the Old Debt Securities at their market value upon the consummation date of the exchange offers.

The company has filed a Registration Statement with the Securites and Exchange Commission to register the Consolidated Mortgage Bonds that will be issued in the exchanges for the Old Debt Securites. The exchange offers will be made only by means of a prospectus.

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MILPITAS, CA. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Quantum Corp., which has introduced three new families of hard disk drives in the past three months to give it the broadest product line in the industry, Wednesday announced expansion moves in the Far East, where the company anticipates major growth as a result of these products.

Two of the product families, the Go-Drive Series 2-1/2-inch drives and the ProDrive Gem Series small frame 3-1/2-inch products, are designed for use in laptop, notebook, portable and low-end personal computers, which represent the fastest growing markets for Asia/Pacific manufacturers.

In addition, Quantum's new ProDrive 330 and 425 megabyte 3-1/2-inch drives are designed for high-end desktop business personal computers and desktop workstations, which many Pacific Rim companies are beginning to develop.

The expanded Far East operations were announced by Ken Edoff, director, Pacific Rim Sales, in a series of press briefings in Hong Kong, Taipei, and Seoul.

He said the expansion includes: A Singapore Logistics Center to speed distribution throughout Asia; new country managers heading direct sales offices in both Taiwan and Singapore; and strengthening of sales and distribution representation in Hong Kong and Korea, including the signing of a new distribution agreement with Lucky Goldstar.

The Singapore Logistics Center, which begins operations this month, will initially serve as a stocking and distribution center for Quantum disk drives throughout the Far East. It is managed by K.L. Lee, who joined Quantum from Cipher Date where he was purchasing manager.

Edoff said that during the first quarter of 1991, the company plans to have a drive repair capability operational at the Logistics Center. The repair facility will handle warranty and non-warranty service for all countries in this market except Korea and India, where repairs will continue to be handled through distribution channels.

Also in Singapore, Alan Tong has joined the company as country manager, reporting to Edoff. He comes to Quantum from Maxtor, where he was area sales manager for Hong Kong.

In Taiwan, Zachary Wu has been named country manager. He will support Quantum's major OEM customers in that country under Edoff's direction. Wu was previously with Seagate Technology, where he served as area sales manager in Taiwan.

Expanded activities in Korea include an agreement with Lucky Goldstar who will serce as a Korean distributor of Quantum disk drives. Quantum will also continue to work with Excel Associates, its manufacturer's representative for

both Hong Kong and Korea. Excel Associates will service major OEMs while Lucky Goldstar handles all other accounts.

''Excel Associates has done a superb job of assisting Quantum in penetrating large OEMs throughout the Asian market, and we expect to continue our relationship with Excel in the future,'' Edoff said. ''They will, in fact, be assisting Lucky Goldstar in their efforts as a distributor of Quantum drives.''

Edoff said the increase in activities in the Pacific Rim is a natural move for Quantum, particularly now that it has entered the market for low-power, 2-1/2-inch and 3-1/2-inch hard disk drives.

Since its founding in 1980, Quantum Corp. has emerged as a leading independent manufacturer of reliable, high-performance mass storage systems for business, engineering and scientific computing.

Its hard disk drives are marketed to OEMs and distributors worldwide. The publicly held company is recognized for setting new standards of performance, quality and reliability in disk drives destined for demanding desktop workstation and PC applications.

Plus Development Corp., a Quantum subsidiary established in 1983, designs and markets personal computer storage enhancement products for end-users which are marketed through 2,500 dealers worldwide. Quantum has headquarters in Milpitas.

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BEAVERTON, Ore. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Sequent Computer Systems Inc. said Wednesday it expects to meet or exceed estimates for third-quarter 1990 revenues and earnings per share.

Analysts predict the supplier of UNIX-based computers to report revenues of approximately $65 million, and earnings in the range of $.24 to $.26 per share.

Sequent reported third quarter 1989 revenues of $40.4 million. Net income for the quarter, before extraordinary credits for tax loss carry-forwards, was $4.1 million, or $.20 per share.

''Considering the uncertainty in the economy we are very pleased at how well the company performed during the quarter,'' said Scott Gibson, Sequent president.

''Overall, business has been strong, particularly sales to end-user customers

who continue to invest in automation systems like Sequent's in an effort to become more competitive and productive.''

According to Gibson, well over half of end-user shipments during the quarter represented sales to new customers. ''It is particularly exciting that end user business included multi-system sales to customers such as the U.S. West New Vector Group Inc. and British Petroleum. These orders, combined with our recently-announced development partnership with AT&T's UNIX System Laboratories, are further acknowledgement of Sequent's technological leadership and the viability of our systems in critical business applications.''

In response to concerns about Sequent's relationship with Unisys, Gibson said the company's OEM business also remained on target during the third quarter. OEM sales accounted for approximately 28 percent of total revenues. Orders from Unisys amounted to 18 percent of total sales, down from 27 percent in the previous quarter. Despite the decline in revenues from Unisys, Gibson said the company's overall performance underscores its ability to adjust its mix of sales channels to meet revenue and earnings targets.

''Although we are naturally concerned about the worldwide economic outlook, we remain comfortable with analysts' estimates of $245 million in revenue and earnings of $1.00 per share for fiscal 1990,'' Gibson said.

Sequent Computer Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: SQNT) is a leading provider of open systems computing solutions for the commercial OLTP market. The company, which employs more than 1,500 people, reported 1989 revenues of $145.6 million.

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CONCORD, MA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad Inc. and Ford Motor Co. Ltd. jointly announced agreement on a contract for GenRad to develop a test system which will provide comprehensive fault diagnostics on the electrical and electronic systems in use on all Ford vehicles through the 1990s.

This initial systems development will lead to systems being deployed throughout Ford's European dealer network over the next two to three years.

''In recent years, electronics have been increasingly used to control a variety of vehicle systems,'' noted Emil Pulick, director Service Diagnostic Systems, Ford of Europe. ''In the current decade, automotive electronic controls will play an ever increasing role in meeting legislative requirements for automotive exhaust emission control in addition to providing fuel economy

and performance benefits.

''Electronic controls can also make substantial improvements in automotive safety, comfort and convenience. Ford is meeting these challenges by providing electronic systems throughout our wide range of automotive products. In addition, we are developing comprehensive diagnostic solutions with GenRad to provide our extensive service network with the best diagnostic resources.''

Commenting on the partnership between Ford and GenRad, Peter E. Palmer, managing director, GenRad Ltd., said, ''Our Automotive Test Products division and Ford's European Service Diagnostics Systems group are working together to meet the rigorous diagnostic requirements of on-board vehicle electronics by developing a system capable of identifying and diagnosing system failures quickly and accurately.''

''For the Ford dealer,'' Palmer continued, ''the system will provide the benefits of a cost-effective solution to fault-finding and ensure compliance with legislative mandates on emissions, and to meet safety requirements. For the customer, the system will meet the demands for quality service and repair.''

GenRad Automotive Test Products, a division of GenRad Inc., is a world leader in the supply of test and measurement solutions to the automotive production and service markets. In 1986, GenRad was the first company to introduce a system capable of diagnosing all the electronic systems of a complete vehicle.

Following a joint development with Jaguar Cars -- a manufacturing agreement worth $13 million -- there are now more than 750 such diagnostic systems in use worldwide. Following initial deployment, Jaguar and GenRad have continued to enhance the system through hardware upgrades and new applications software development.

GenRad Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems and automatic test equipment, to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing, and process information management. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its trading symbol is GEN.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Equipment Corp. Wednesday announced a Digital Distributed Software (DDS) licensing agreement with Odesta Corp.

Under the terms of the agreement, Digital will distribute and support a future version of Odesta Document Management Systems (ODMS). ODMS is an object-oriented workflow and document management system that is a key component of Digital's document management program.

During 1991, ODMS will support the entire range of NAS desktop platforms, including MS-DOS PCs using Microsoft Windows 3.0, Apple Computer Macintosh under Macintosh OS, VMS and ULTRIX workstations under Motif, and OS/2 PCs using Presentation Manager.

ODMS will be extended to utilize industry standard SQL database servers, the first of which will be Digital's Rdb relational database. The product supports the CDA standard for the storage and retrieval of compound documents.

ODMS is an object-oriented workflow and document management system for collaborative computing. It is designed to facilitate the collaborative process, adding structure and computer support to the ongoing or ad-hoc processes every workgroup faces.

ODMS is used by knowledge workers and technical professionals who work with and contribute to collaborative documents. Application development is approached from the end-user's perspective. End-users are provided with a visual toolkit that allows them to easily set up and modify workflow in a way that best meets the needs of their workgroup.

Odesta Corp., founded in 1982, develops and markets a broad range of innovative software for the way people work individually and in groups. Its products, designed from a human factors perspective, are the first to provide powerful, visual, object-oriented applications for information management and decision support.

Digital Equipment Corp., headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

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CUPERTINO, CA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Cupertino National Bancorp (NASDAQ/NMS:CUNB), parent company of Cupertino National Bank, announced Wednesday that earnings for the third quarter 1990 were $412,000, or 41 cents per share on a fully diluted basis, compared with $278,000, or 38 cents per share, for the like period a year ago.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets reached $120 million reflecting a 32.4 percent year-to-year increase, while loans totalled $90.7 million, a 30 percent increase, and deposits were $108.1 million, an increase of 34.5 percent.

Bank President Don Allen stated: ''Since doubling our equity nine months ago, Cupertino National Bank has concentrated on building a quality loan portfolio. Our realization of this goal has brought a return on equity exceeding 15 percent in the third quarter. We view this as a key step in retaining our designation as a premiere bank.''

Cupertino National Bank serves the mid-Santa Clara County market, specializing in commercial loans for local companies, construction lending to quality builders, Small Business Administration lending, and trust services to both individuals and businesses.

The independent bank features a ''one-stop banking'' philosophy emphasizing customized service. CNB has dedicated itself to serving the financial needs of Santa Clara Valley while continuing strong support of the local community.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - SuperMac Technology Wednesday introduced SuperSqueeze still-image compression software, and announced that it will be included at no cost with all of the company's color graphics cards and storage systems.

The development of SuperSqueeze is a result of a mutual technology-sharing agreement between SuperMac and C-Cube Microsystems. Under the pact, SuperSqueeze supports ICI (Image Compression Interface), C-Cube's newly announced standard application interface for image compression.

C-Cube provided SuperMac with its JPEG-standard image-compression software,

which produces exceptional disk-space savings for color graphics professionals. The announcement was made at the 1990 Seybold Computer Publishing Conference & Exposition at the San Jose Convention Center.

SuperSqueeze is the newest member of SuperMac's family of color-graphics solutions for Macintosh computers. It dramatically compresses such large-scale images as 35mm color slides, 8-1/2'' x 11'' photographs, color separations, and complex graphics by as much as 80:1 -- reducing storage requirements by 98 percent in some cases.

It also improves network performance, since compressed files can be transmitted more quickly and occupy less space on network servers.

A beta user of the product, Peter Farago, president of Farago Advertising in New York City, said: ''SuperSqueeze is an ideal solution for anyone involved in producing professional quality graphics on the Mac.

SuperSqueeze will be available in January 1991, at which time SuperMac will include it at no cost with its color graphics cards and storage systems. Customers who purchase these cards and storage systems after Oct. 1, 1990, will be eligible to receive the SuperSqueeze software free from SuperMac. Other existing SuperMac customers will be able to purchase SuperSqueeze separately for $49.

C-Cube Microsystems is the leading developer of image compression technology used in applications such as color desktop publishing, digital photography and digital video systems. Based in San Jose, C-Cube was founded in July 1988 to establish its digital imaging technology as the industry standard for computer communication and consumer electronics applications.

SuperMac Technology, located in Sunnyvale, Calif., is a leading developer, publisher, and manufacturer of color solutions for Macintosh graphics professionals. The company's products include graphics cards; 16'', 19'' and 21'' color monitors; graphics storage systems; color graphics software and color matching utilities.

SuperMac delivers color graphics solutions for end users in such markets as graphic arts, desktop publishing, engineering, and business graphics.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Diagnostics Products Corp. (NYSE:DP) announced Wednesday the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend of 6 cents per share of common stock payable Nov. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 14, 1990.

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CHARDON, OHIO (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Essef Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ESSF) Wednesday announced that it intends to sell its FAME Plastics subsidiary, headquartered in Daytona Beach, Fla.

Essef Corp. also announced that FAME Plastics will discontinue the operations of its Statesville, N.C., facility in December 1990. The Statesville operation is located in a leased plant with a net book value of machinery and equipment approximating $3.6 million. FAME Plastics Inc. provides contract manufacturing services specializing in shielded plastic enclosures for the business machine and computer industry.

The merchant banking divisions of Ameritrust Company N.A. in Cleveland, and The Nippon Credit Bank Ltd. in New York, are assisting the company with this sale.

The company's waiver of compliance relating to the interest coverage covenant expired on Sept. 30. The company has met with representatives of its bank group and expects to obtain an extension of its waiver of compliance until Oct. 31. Essef Corp. Common Shares are quoted on the National Association of Security Dealers' NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''Essf'' and are reported elsewhere as Essef Corp.

The corporation designs and manufactures products for selected markets through the application of high performance polymeric materials and innovative process technologies.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Management Technologies Corp. (''IMTECH'') (NASDAQ:IMTKA (common), IMTKU (units), IMTKW (warrants)) Wednesday announced that it has entered into a joint venture with Backoffice Services Inc., an affiliate of Colin Service Systems Inc., a leading provider of contract cleaning services, whereby IMTECH will have access to a number of

Colin's 1,000 corporate clients located in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic States, to provide back office systems management services.

The initial contract under the agreement with Backoffice Services Inc. is with Service America Corp., a Stamford, Connecticut cafeteria management and food vending company with over 2,000 locations nationwide.

Under the terms of the contract, IMTECH will assume Service America Corp.'s forms management and fulfillment services and mailroom management. IMTECH's management expects this new contract to begin to contribute to revenues during the third quarter ending December 31. The joint venture agreement provides for additional projects to be contracted in the future.

Pierce Lowrey, president of IMTECH commented, ''Our business relationship with Backoffice Services Inc. provides IMTECH with an impressive opportunity to expand our business. With a substantial client base located in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia, IMTECH can achieve market penetration in these new geographic areas.''

IMTECH provides on-site and off-site ''outsourcing'' of a wide range of back office services to firms in the services sector. These services include an optical data storage system -- Computer Output INformation System (COINS), electronic publishing, fulfillment, printing, reproduction and general mail room operations.

IMTECH's information facilities management (''IFM'') capabilities provide companies with the ability to contract out ancillary services to reduce operating costs and improve productivity, thereby allowing management to focus on its primary corporate objectives.

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or
The Equity Group Inc.
Sharon Hunt, 212/836-9605
or Stacey Arbeiter, 212/836-9606

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BLUE BELL, PA. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - CLS Corp., a supplier of consumer loan services to banks, thrifts and other financial institutions Wednesday announced signing of a five year marketing agreement with Electronic Data Systems Corp. (EDS), the $5 billion Plano, Texas data processing and financial services subsidiary of General Motors Corp.

Under the agreement, EDS will subcontract servicing of purchased portfolios to CLS. CLS will provide loan accounting, remittance processing/control,

customer service, collateral control and collection/replevin (repossession) management for the purchased portfolios.

CLS recently established a relationship with EDS to utilize data processing services in the day-to-day servicing of CLS customer loans. CLS senior vice president of sales and marketing, Kevin R. Neal, noted today's marketing agreement was the first of its kind forged with an outside vendor since CLS was founded four years ago.

''CLS, with its customer base currently concentrated in the Mid-Atlantic region, will now have an opportunity to offer its services on a nationwide basis,'' he said.

''Purchased portfolios'' is a term that refers to groups of loans (typically homogeneous, such as automobile loans) acquired by an institution in order to increase its asset position. The market for purchased portfolios has expanded dramatically as a result of the FIRREA legislation passed in August 1989 mandating more stringent capital adequacy standards for the nation's savings and loan industry.

Management of purchased portfolios presently represents approximately 10 percent of CLS' consumer loan services business.

The company's major line of business is focused on management of consumer loans originated through client instituions. ''The signing of the agreement with EDS could potentially expand our revenues dramatically,'' Neal said, ''and will most certainly provide EDS' and our customers with an outstanding opportunity to increase their return on assets.''

CLS Corp., with headquarters in Blue Bell, currently employs 45 people.

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MENLO PARK, CALIF. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - A new treatment approach for myasthenia gravis, a disabling muscle disease, is the subject of a Small Business Innovative Research grant recently awarded by the National Institutes of Health to Applied Immune Sciences Inc.

In addition, AIS and Sacramento-based Immuno Concepts Inc. have recently agreed that Immuno Concepts will develop and market diagnostic applications of the AIS myasthenia gravis technology.

AIS believes it is the first company to produce, via recombinant DNA and protein engineering techniques, the portion of the acetylcholine receptor

(AChR) that is the target of a destructive autoimmune process in myasthenia gravis patients.

The muscle disorder occurs when an individual inappropriately manufactures autoantibodies against acetylcholine receptors in the muscle membrane, interfering with normal neuromuscular transmission. The result is fluctuating muscle weakness affecting some or all muscles of the body.

AIS plans to use its AChR protein to develop a bioactive device, the ICelator-MG, that will ameliorate the abnormal autoimmune response in patients with myasthenia gravis. The device will utilize the recombinant AChR protein to remove only the specific disease-causing autoantibodies from the blood plasma of myasthenia gravis patients.

Plasma exchange involves replacing the patient's plasma with donated plasma, a process that is expensive and can cause infections and allergic responses. It is hoped the AIS process may lead to partial or complete immunomodulation, providing a long-term correction of the patient's malfunctioning immune response.

Immuno Concepts, an international leader in autoimmune disease testing, has licensed the AIS-developed AChR protein to develop improved diagnostic tests for myasthenia gravis that will measure the level of disease-causing antibodies in a patient's blood serum. Currently, there is no consistent, continuous source of myasthenia gravis antigen for diagnostic use.

Applied Immune Sciences, based in Menlo Park, is engaged in the development of therapeutic devices designed to treat immune-related diseases by modifying abnormal immune responses.

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Annes Associates, San Francisco
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PORTLAND, ORE. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Portland General Corp. (NYSE:PGN) Wednesday approved the previously announced agreement that will permit the company to acquire up to 49 percent of the common stock of Bonneville Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ:BPCO).

The agreement between the two companies was reached Sept. 21. Today's decision concludes Portland General's right to terminate the agreement as a result of its due diligence review.

Closing on the agreement remains subject to certain conditions including the expiration of the applicable waiting periods under Federal law.

Portland General and Bonneville Pacific officials said they expect to close the agreement by the end of October.

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CONCORD, MA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Technical Communications Corp. (NASDAQ:TCCO) announced the award of two contracts totaling $2.9 million to supply CIPHER X5000 X.25/DDN end-to-end data encryption devices to the U.S. Government.

This represents an important market penetration. The contracts with the United States Coast Guard and the United States Air Force calls for the shipment of $1.1 million worth of equipment in calendar year 1990 and the remainder over the next three years. the CIPHER X5000 series equipment is designed to provide sophisticated and versatile network security for government, financial and coporate users of packet switched networks.

Arnold M. McCalmont, chairman and chief executive officer said, ''These orders represent the United States Government's first significant commitment to the company's CIPHER X5000 product that provides X.25 end-to-end encryption of data communications.'' This product was displayed in April, at a government sponsored demonstration, where it was recommended for use for encryption of sensitive but unclassified information to be transmitted on the U.S. Government's new FTS 2000 Communications Network.

The new contracts are not related to FTS 2000 Communications Network, but the company expects this network to be a significant area of opportunity along with individual orders directly from various agencies.

Technical Communications Corp. designs, manufactures and markets high performance secure communications systems and cryptographic devices used to protect sensitive communications sent over voice, data and facsimile networks.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Aldus Corp. Wednesday announced Aldus Persuasion 2.0 for Windows.

The program takes advantage of the functionality of Windows 3.0 and builds on the strengths of Aldus' award-winning desktop presentations program for the Macintosh, which was introduced in November 1988.

Aldus Persuasion is a complete desktop presentations toolkit for producing overhead, 35mm slide, and on-screen presentations. It includes tools for outlining, word-processing, drawing, charting, and formatting, and can produce black-and-white or color presentations, as well as speaker notes and audience handouts.

Persuasion 2.0 for Windows streamlines the entire presentation-making process. Presenters simply choose a design -- either one of the predesigned slide or overhead templates that come with the product, or one of their own creation -- type their ideas into the outliner, and Persuasion automatically formats the entire presentation.

With Persuasion's word processor, users can specify type size, font, shadow, color, automatic text wraps, and line and paragraph spacing. They can also search and replace words and phrases, check their spelling, and mix type styles, faces, colors, and sizes within a text block. Persuasion for Windows also includes automatic kerning, and, at the user's discretion, can automatically number slides and speaker notes, and include time, date, and filename stamps.

Persuasion's built-in charting capabilities allow for a wide range of business charts in line, bar, overlay, column, pie, area, scatter and high-low chart formats. In addition, Persuasion automatically generates organization charts from outline text. To create a chart in Persuasion, users simply type their figures directly into its data sheet or import them from spreadsheet programs such as Lotus 1-2-3 and Microsoft Excel, then choose a chart format. Persuasion charts the data automatically -- and does so each time the user wants to change the data or try another format. Users can also create custom chart formats to apply in any presentation.

Aldus Corp. (NASDAQ:ALDC) creates computer software that helps people throughout the world effectively communicate information and ideas. In addition to Persuasion, the Aldus product line includes Aldus PageMaker, Aldus FreeHand and Aldus PrePrint. Products from Aldus' subsidiary, Silicon Beach Software, include SuperPaint, SuperCard, Super 3D, and Digital Darkroom. Aldus distributes both product lines through an international network of more than 16,000 dealers and distributors.

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Jane Dauber, 206/628-6674.

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DALLAS (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Harken Energy Corp. (''Harken'') (NYSE: HEC) of Dallas announced, on behalf of its wholly-owned subsidiaries Tejas Power Corp. (''TPC'') and E-Z Serve Holding Company Inc. (''E-Z''), that it has Wednesday filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement covering the previously announced proposed rights offering (A).

TPC is Harken's natural gas gathering and marketing subsidiary.

E-Z is the parent company of Harken Marketing Company, Harken's refined products marketing subsidiary.

Through the proposed offering (A), Harken stockholders would receive transferrable rights (''Unit Rights''), affording them the opportunity to subscribe jointly to newly issued shares of the common stock of TPC and newly issued shares of the common stock of Frontier Refining and Marketing Company (''FRMC'').

FRMC is the name which E-Z will assume upon the completion of its proposed merger with the parent company of Frontier Oil Corp. (''FOC'') of Denver, Colo. as announced by Harken on Oct. 2, 1990. With the completion of the proposed offering (A), Harken, FRMC and TPC would become separate operating companies which, it is anticipated, would trade separately in the public markets.

Under the proposed rights offering (A), a total of $48.5 million in TPC and FRMC common stock would be offered to holders of Unit Rights.

In addition, upon completion of the merger of E-Z and the parent company of FOC, the proposed rights offering (A) would include the issuance of rights to FRMC's stockholders other than Harken which, upon exercise, would provide additional proceeds to FRMC of up to $15.5 million.

Harken Energy Corp. (NYSE:HEC) manages and develops energy assets. HEC retails, wholesales and distributes gasoline through its subsidiary, Harken Marketing Co.

Through its subsidiary, Tejas Power Corporation, HEC constructs, owns and operates natural gas gathering, storage and transmission facilities in Texas and Louisiana and markets third party gas to a variety of end-users.

HEC explores for, develops and produces oil and gas reserves domestically through its subsidiary Harken Exploration Company and internationally through its subsidiary Harken Bahrain Oil Co.

HEC provides contract drilling and workover/well services through its subsidiary, Harken Resource Management Corp.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Interleaf Wednesday announced Interleaf 5, a family of publishing products that uses Interleaf's breakthrough active document technology to provide users with highly automated systems precisely tailored to their document and information flow.

Active documents, introduced by Interleaf last March, are electronic documents that can access, evaluate and act on information.

The new products include:

- Six job-specific end-user publishing products of unprecedented power and focus
- Customized solutions for vertical markets
- A highly productive development environment that enables developers and systems integrators to create cross-platform information presentation and distribution systems.

Expected at the press conference are customers, VARs, developers and systems integrators who are using or supporting this new technology -- including: Amoco, Apple, Cadre, Database Publishing Software, Design Automation, Houghton Mifflin, IBM, IDE, Grumman, Lockheed, Lotus, Software Productivity Consortium, Xerox, and others.

Interleaf 5 products go beyond text and graphics to provide active documents and specialized functions for the particular job categories. For example, Professional Writer provides hyperlinks, facilities for tracking and re-using revisions, the ability to link to virtually any file, and an optional set of advanced writer's tools from Houghton Mifflin. At the conference, Interleaf will show an active document that knows how to run any SQL database, extract data specified by the user, and build a text and graphics catalog that shows one set of information to customers and additional information to salespeople.

All Interleaf 5 products come with a set of ease-of-use tools. Included are active documents that let the user easily personalize the interface, an innovative on-line tutorial, and Point & Type templates that let users become productive minutes after installing the software.

Interleaf 5 products can be altered and extended simply by adding layered applications created by Interleaf, other software developers and technically-adept users. ''Layered apps'' can be simple functions (such as alphabetizing the rows of a table) or sophisticated applications (such as a system that automatically draws maps by inputting geographic data).

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HARTFORD, CONN. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - United Technologies Corp. has sold its 75 percent interest in Diavia S.p.A. and Aura S.r.L. to General Motors Corp. for approximately $68 million.

Current minority shareholders will retain a 25 percent interest in both companies.

As a result of the sale, UTC's third-quarter results will include a $45 million before-tax gain. Proceeds of the sale will be used to reduce debt incurred by UTC's acquisition of Sheller-Globe Corp. late last year.

Headquartered in Bologna, Italy, Diavia designs, manufactures and distributes automotive air conditioning systems to European aftermarket and original equipment manufacturer (OEM) customers. UTC purchased its interest in Diavia in 1986. Diavia had 1989 sales of $79 million.

Aura S.r.L., Turin, Italy, was formed in late 1988 to market automotive air conditioning systems to European aftermarket customers. Aura began its marketing operations this year.

United Technologies Corp. provides a broad range of high-technology products and supports services to the aerospace, building systems and automotive industries.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Zenox Inc. (NASDAQ:ZENO) announced Wednesday that it has completed the acquisition of Savoy Drugs Inc., an Atlanta-based pharmacy company serving both the retail and healthcare industries.

Zenox also announced that it has contracted to purchase the 20,000 sq. ft. building which houses the company as well.

Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed, but Richard G. English, Zenox's president and chief executive officer did confirm that Savoy Drugs Inc. had been purchased in exchange for Zenox common stock.

The real estate purchase contract requires Zenox to pay $1.4 million in cash and approximately $700,000 in common stock, according to English, for both the building and adjacent land parcels.

The Savoy Drugs acquisition further expands Zenox healthcare interests, and is expected to add approximately $2 million in revenues plus an estimated $350,000 of pre-tax net income to Zenox annually.

As an operator and manager of a number of nursing homes, Zenox will vertically integrate the prescription business through its own pharmacy and thereby enhance both efficiency and profitability.

Zenox is a diversifed USA holding company with existing USA subsidiaries engaged in manufacturing, healthcare, communications, car rental franchise operations, investments and contruction industries. Zenox has undergone significant growth in the past 16 months, primarily through an aggressive program of acquisitions.

Zenox has already stated its intent to acquire more nursing homes, so this latest acqusition is seen as being complementary to the growth in their healthcare operations, which also includes controlling interest in a vitamin-supplement company.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Health Images Inc. (NASDAQ:HIMG), announced Wednesday that it made an underwritten offering of 1.5 million shares of its common stock at a price of $8.00 per share.

The offering was made through an underwriting group managed by Robertson, Stephens & Co. and Stephens Inc.

Net proceeds of the offering will be used to reduce bank indebtedness and finance expansion of the company's business.

Health Images Inc. operates magnetic resonance imaging centers and provides equipment maintenance services for major medical diagnostic imaging equipment.

A final prospectus relating to these securities may be obtained from Robertson Stephens & Co., One Embarcadero Center, Suite 3100, San Fransisco, 94111, 415/781-9700 or Stephens Inc. 114 East Capitol Ave., Little Rock, Ark., 72201, 501/374-4361.

CONTACT: Health Images Inc., Atlanta

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LYNNWOOD, WASH. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - ELDEC Corp. (ELDC) has named Allen W. Puckett as vice president, Central Operations.

Puckett comes to ELDEC from Momentum Distribution where he was senior vice president and chief financial officer. Prior to that he held the same position with VWR Corp. from 1986 to 1990. From 1980 to 1986 he was vice president, administration, at both Univar and VWR Scientific (a Univar subsidiary). From 1966 to 1979, Puckett was an associate and than a principal of the international management consulting firm, McKinsey and Co.

Puckett has a bachelor of science in business administration (minor, engineering physics) from the University of California, Berkeley, and a J.D. (law) from Harvard.

Puckett's position at ELDEC is a new one, created when the company reorganized last December. It represents the centralization of several manufacturing and purchasing functions for more efficient operations.

Puckett, who is completing an assignment at Momentum, will join ELDEC prior to the end of the year.

ELDEC custom designs and manufactures electronic and electromechanical products for aerospace and defense applications. Founded in 1957, the company is a subcontractor to a large number of major aerospace and defense electronics contractors.

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - ON Technology Inc. Wednesday announced the appointment of Conall Ryan as president.

Ryan succeeds Mitchell Kapor, who remains as ON's chairman.

Ryan joined ON in 1989 as vice president of marketing and was instrumental in coordinating the successful launch of the company's first product, On Location a Macintosh utility program.

His appointment as president was approved yesterday by the board of directors

of the firm, co-founded three years ago by Kapor and Peter Miller.

Miller was ON's president before assuming a key research and development role with Apple Computer Inc. earlier this year. Kapor has served as president since then and will continue to be a company spokesperson and make significant contributions to ON's business strategy and product design.

''Conall has played a major role in making ON and On Location successful, and the board expressed great confidence and enthusiasm in selecting him over a list of other distinguished candidates as the person best able to direct the company's day-to-day operations,'' Kapor said.

Before joining ON, Ryan was marketing manager at NeXT Computer Inc., in Palo Alto, Calif., where he had overall management responsibility for bundled application software. He was also involved in strategic planning and negotiations, competitive hardware analysis, and event marketing.

From 1985 to 1988 Ryan worked at Lotus Development Corp. in Cambridge, Mass., as a product manager for Lotus Agenda and Lotus Metro. He also had managerial responsibilities for Lotus HAL and a port of 1-2-3. Ryan was a project leader at Software Arts until Lotus acquired the company in 1985.

Ryan is an author of short fiction, technical articles and two novels, one a Book-of-the-Month Club Alternate Selection, the other an Edgar Award nominee. His work has been published in the United States and the United Kingdom and translated into German and Japanese.

He received a bachelor's degree in English from Boston University. ON Technology, based in Cabridge, Mass., makes software applications for the Apple Macintosh computer.

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  Cathy O'Rourke, 508/777-6006, ext. 308

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MARLBORO, MA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Data Translation announces the DT2868 High Speed Frame Processor.

Each occupies only one slot in an IBM PC AT or 100 percent compatible. Both connect directly to DT-Connect compatible frame grabbers to greatly accelerate computations required by image processing operations.

The DT2878 Advanced Processor delivers true FFT capability, allowing data from partial or whole frames to be analyzed in the frequency domain. The 25 Mflops 32-bit floating point DT2878 is built around the powerful AT&T DSP32C digital signal processor chip. Data can be processed in either floating point or

fixed point format. Full software support, including that of AT&T, is available from Data Translation.

The DT2868 High Speed Frame Processor is the faster successor to the industry-standard DT2858 Auxilary Frame Processor. Using a pipelined architecture, the DT2868 is not as flexible as the DSP-based DT2878 Advanced Processor, but performs image processing operations three times faster than the DT2858, and up to 100 times faster than the PC AT host.

The DT2878 is available now in two data memory options: DT2878-2 with 2Mbyte ($4,495) and DT2878-4 with 4Mbyte ($5,495). An 8Mbyte version is planned. The DT2868 ($1,995) will begin shipping Dec. 15, 1990.

DT2878 Combines Programmability, Accuracy, FFTs, Memory

The DT2878 greatly speeds computationally intensive image processing functions, and performs frequency analysis, morphological operations, convolutions, and dozens of other operations much faster than can the host PC AT.

The DT2878 excels at 32-bit floating point data operations, as when frequency analysis and geometric processing are required. Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) support allows image data to be processed and analyzed in the frequency domain. The DT2878 is fast enough to perform a real FFT, in software, on a 512 x 512 frame in 2.5 seconds. By comparison, the fastest PC AT machines require more than one minute for the same operation.

Data Translation is a world leader in the design, manufacture, and marketing, of high performance image processing, data acquisition, array processing, and desktop video computer boards and software.

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NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The Louisiana Land and Exploration Co. (NYSE:LLX) (''LL&E'') Wednesday reported that it has successfully tested an exploratory well on company-owned fee lands in Lafourche Parish in south Louisiana at the Bayou Raphael Field.

The LL&E Fee No. 1 well has been completed as a dual oil and gas producer. The well flowed from perforations between 12,079 feet and 12,100 feet at a stabilized daily rate of 288 barrels of 32 degree API gravity oil through a 12/64 inch choke with 1,191 pounds flowing tubing pressure.

In addition, from perforations between 11,598 feet and 11,624 feet, the well was tested at a daily rate of 3.5 million cubic feet of natural gas and 96 barrels of 49 degree API gravity condensate through a 12/64 inch choke with 3,746 pounds of flowing tubing pressure.

The LL&E Fee No. 1 well encountered three gas bearing zones and four oil bearing zones with a total of over 150 net feet of pay. Several offset wells are planned to further delineate this discovery.

LL&E is the operator of the well and has 37.5 percent working interest in addition to its royalty interest as land owner. Columbia Gas Development Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of The Columbia Gas System has a 50.0 percent working interest. The remaining 12.5 percent interest is held by a privately owned company.

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Suzanne Baer, 504/566-6478

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DALLAS (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Sunshine Mining Co. announced today that J.O. Langley, president and chief operating officer and a member of the board of directors for the past three years, has elected to leave the company on Oct. 15 to pursue other interests primarily in the oil and gas industry.

G.M. Boswell, chairman of Sunshine, will reassume the position of president.

According to Boswell, ''Mr. Langley has been the catalyst to achieve significant cost reductions and efficiencies both in the mining operations as well as in the oil and gas exploration and production operations, and his expertise and guidance will be missed.''

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Harry B. Ireland, 214/855-8700

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HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Frank W. McAbee has been elected to the new post of senior vice president, environmental and business practices at United Technologies Corp., it was announced today by Robert F. Daniell, chairman and chief executive officer.

''Frank McAbee will be our chief environmental officer with direct access to me,'' Daniell stated. ''His job is one of the most important and the most challenging in our corporation.

McAbee has been vice president, business practices, responsible for government contracts and compliance, the corporate Ombudsman's office, the DIALOG program and administration of the UTC Code of Ethics. In his new position, he will retain those responsibilities while assuming responsibility for the environment.

''Our environmental track record has been unacceptable. We must demonstrate our environmental commitment to our employees, to the communities in which we do business and to regulators,'' Daniell added. ''The same commitment that has guided our quality and customer service initiatives must guide the way we approach the environment every day at every UTC facility.''

McAbee will direct a significant expansion of the corporation's existing environmental organization including a network of executives in charge of environmental affairs at each of its divisions worldwide. Division environmental officers will report directly to division presidents and to McAbee, according to Daniell. They will be responsible for the development and implementation of comprehensive environmental programs.

''The respect Frank has earned inside and outside the corporation in establishing a model business practices program makes him the right person for this job,'' Daniell said.

McAbee, 59, joined United Technologies in 1954 as an experimental test engineer at its Pratt & Whitney division. He has held a number of senior management positions at several UTC divisions including president of Pratt & Whitney's Government Engine Business in Florida. He is a graduate of the University of Alabama with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering.

United Technologies provides a broad range of high-technology products and support services to the aerospace, building systems and automotive industries.

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Dan Harrison, 203/728-7956

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Goldman, Sachs & Co. announced the formation of the Water Street Corporate Recovery Fund I, L.P.

The Fund, established with $783 million of capital from investors including major U.S. and foreign pension funds, international banks, university endowments, insurance companies and individuals, will make significant investments in financially troubled companies and their securities. Goldman Sachs has contributed $100 million to the fund and serves as General Partner. The fund first began soliciting for investors in April.

The Water Street Corporate Recovery Fund will focus on acquiring the subordinated debt, equity securities, bank loans and other liabilities of financially troubled companies and partnerships. In taking large positions in financially troubled companies, the Water Street Fund will work as an active partner with managements whenever possible to help them restructure financially.

The Water Street Fund will provide managements with Goldman Sachs' financial expertise in investment banking, LBOs, public compnay recapitalization, high-yield securities issuance and trading, recovery securities investments, and mergers and acquisitions.

A committee of five Goldman Sachs partners is responsible for the Water Street Fund. Mikael Salovaara, head of the leveraged finance group at Goldman Sachs and a member of the firm's investment committee, supervises the fund's day-to-day operations.

Goldman Sachs is a leading, full-service international investment banking and securities firm serving corporations, institutions, governments and individuals worldwide.

Founded in 1869, it is one of the oldest, largest and most strongly capitalized firms in the industry and the only private partnership among the major Wall Street organizations. At the conclusion of 1989, the firm's partners' capital exceeded $2 billion.

Goldman Sachs has approximately 6,400 employees and 128 general partners located in offices throughout the United States and in London, Tokyo, Hong Kong, Madrid, Montreal, Singapore, Sydney, Toronto and Zurich.

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MONTVALE, NJ (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Mercedes-Benz of North America reported sales of 6,737 new cars in September, compared with 6,886 cars sold a year ago.

Current year-to-date sales totalled 55,728, compared to 56,330 in the same period a year earlier, a difference of 1.1 percent.

Mercedes-Benz is on track to meet its annual sales objectives of 75,000 cars.

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DUBLIN, OH (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - R. Max Williamson, chairman, president and chief executive officer of ACCEL announced Wednesday that William B. Johnson has been elected to the position of vice president - claims.

In this newly created position, Johnson will be responsible for claims activity and related litigation for all ACCEL products marketed in both the life and property casualty subsidiaries.

Johnson began his career in the insurance industry in 1977 when he joined Nationwide Insurance Co. as a field adjuster. He joined Transamerica Insurance Co. in 1980 as an attorney in the legal department, and he ended his tenure with Transamerica as vice president of specialty claims in the Los Angeles office.

Johnson obtained his undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan in 1974 and his Juris Doctor from Wayne State University in 1977.

ACCEL International Corp. is a Dublin based insurance holding company that provides specialty insurance products and services through its life and casualty subsidiaries, operating throughout the United States.

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RICHARDSON, TX (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson GE Mobile Communications will supply cellular equipment that McCaw Cellular Communications Inc., and LIN Broadcasting Corp. will use to upgrade system capacity and service quality in their key markets.

Part of the plan calls for Ericsson GE to supply a digital switching system that will replace the system currently in use in the New York-New Jersey metropolitan area.

When fully installed by year end 1991, the Ericsson GE system will allow for the benefits of digital cellular service to the customers of Metro One, the LIN-owned non-wireline cellular service provider in New York and New Jersey.

Benefits of the digital system include high voice quality and high service availability as well as data transmission and enhanced privacy/data security.

McCaw also announced that it will upgrade its cellular switches in the Pacific Northwest, installing Ericsson switches similar to those being installed in New York and New Jersey. The switches will enable cellular subscribers in

Washington and Oregon to enjoy the same quality, capacity and functionality benefits as those in the regions served by Metro One.

In a related action, McCaw has reached an agreement with Cantel Inc., of Toronto, under which key regional cellular systems owned and operated by McCaw and LIN will be seamlessly connected on a switch-to-switch level with the digital cellular system operated in Canada by Cantel.

As McCaw and LIN proceed with the installation of Ericsson switches, also used by Cantel, customers of all three companies will be able to receive calls anywhere they may be in regions served by a McCaw, LIN or Cantel digital switch.

McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. (NASDAQ:MCAWA) is the nation's leading cellular telephone company, with ownership positions in over 100 markets across the country, representing 106 million potential customers, or ''pops.'' Approximately 80 percent of the ''pops'' of McCaw and of LIN Broadcasting Corp. (NASDAQ:LINB), which is 52 percent owned by McCaw, are in the nation's 30 most populous markets and their contiguous service areas.

McCaw Cellular operates major regional systems in California, Florida, Texas, the Pacific Northwest, the Midwest, the Rocky Mountain states and the Northeast, currently offering service primarily under the name Cellular One. LIN Broadcasting holds siginficant interests in cellular systems in New York, Los Angeles, Dallas and Houston, and operates seven network-affiliated stations.

Ericsson GE Mobile Communications, headquartered in Paramus, N.J., is owned 60 percent by Ericsson and 40 percent by GE. It currently has 4,750 employees worldwide and produces cellular telephones, land mobile radio products and systems and ''Mobitex'' mobile data communication systems for international markets.

Ericsson GE Mobile Communications also serves the North American market for cellular telephone systems.

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Kathy Egan or Lars Jonsteg, 212/685-4030

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STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson has been awarded a contract by Singapore Telecom for a new cellular telephone sytstem for Singapore.

The first phase of the order, which will be implemented in 1991, is valued at $36 million.

The cellular system will follow the analog E-TACS-standard and will have an initial capacity of 30,000 subscribers. It will cover all of Singapore, including islands, the underground and expressway tunnels.

The choice of the Ericsson system also makes it possible to have international roaming with countries like Malaysia, Hong Kong and United Kingdom.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications, recognized for its advanced systems and products for wired and mobile communications. Its wholly owned North American subsidiary is based in Richardson, Texas.

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MONTVALE, NJ (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc. Wednesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share, on the company's common stock.

The dividend is payable November 1, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on October 16, 1990.

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Michael J. Rourke, 201/930-4236

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EL DORADO, AK (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend of 25 cents a share on the common stock of Murphy Oil Corp. (NYSE:MUR).

The dividend is payable Dec. 1, 1990 to holders of record Nov. 15, 1990.

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George E. Breazeal, 501/864-6223

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DALLAS (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated Capital Equities Corp. has certified that ConCap Equities Inc. has now been elected successor managing general partner of all 16 public real estate limited partnerships, in place of Consolidated Capital Equities Corp. (CCEC).

John A. Doyle, president of CCEC stated: ''The overwhelming endorsement by the investors in all 16 partnerships is important to the future of each of the funds and allows CCEC to successfully conclude its reorganization which commenced in December 1988.

''ConCap will focus its attention over the next few months on improving operations at the individual properties which are owned by the partnerships.''

ConCap Equities Inc. is affiliated with four regional property management companies: R & B Enterprises, The Hayman Co., Metroplex, Inc. and Horn-Barlow Cos. The four companies will collectively manage over 150 residential and commercial properties for ConCap's partnerships.

The 16 limited partnerships electing ConCap are: Consolidated Capital Properties, Consolidated Capital Properties II, Consolidated Capital Properties III, Consolidated Capital Properties IV, Consolidated Capital Properties V, Consolidated Capital Properties VI, Consolidated Capital Properties VII, Consolidated Capital Institutional Properties, Consolidated Capital Institutional Properties/2, Consolidated Capital Institutional Properties/3, Johnstown/Consolidated Income Partners, Johnstown/Consolidated Income Partners/2, Consolidated Capital Growth Fund, Multi-Benefit Realty Fund '87, Consolidated Capital Venture Properties and Institutional Properties/4.

CONTACT: ConCap Equities Inc., Dallas
Terry L. Proveaux, 214/702-3200.

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HILLIARD, OH (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Medex Inc. (NASDAQ:MDEX) has concluded an agreement with Aeneas Venture Corp. and Phemus Corp. both of Boston, to purchase all of their interest in Ivion Corp., a Deleware corporation with its principal place of business in Englewood, Colo.

The interest being purchased represents 52 percent of the present outstanding voting shares of Ivion. The purchase price is $3,720,000 and the closing of the transaction is subject to a number of conditions including the satisfactory completion of a due diligence investigation by Medex.

Medex Inc. manufactures and markets a broad range of disposable products for intravenous fluid administration and invasive pressure monitoring as well as special pumps for precise fluid and drug administration.

Ivion Corp. is a privately held manufacturer of high-tech intravenous infusion equipment for the home and pediatric hospital market.

Ivion complements Medex's commitment to provide products for the precision I.V. delivery of fluid and drugs.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - C-Cube Microsystems Wednesday introduced the Image Compression Interface (ICI) that provides compatibility between computer applications and hardware compression products.

The interface enables software applications to take advantage of image compression accelerators on Apple Macintosh, IBM, PC AT and compatible computers using a standard method.

ICI (pronounced 'icy') is a standard component of C-Cube's Compression Workshop software. Applications that incorporate the Compression Workshop will work with any hardware compression product that complies with the ICI standard. In computer systems that lack special compression accelerator hardware, ICI compresses images using software that runs on the computer's host processor.

''ICI'' makes it easy for software developers to incorporate the JPEG compression standard into their applications, without having to worry about hardware compatibility,'' said Alain Rossmann, vice president of sales, marketing and operations at C-Cube. ''The response to the ICI standard has been very enthusiastic from both hardware manufacturers and software developers.'' Support From Popular Programs

Leading graphics and desktop publishing application vendors in both the Macintosh and PC arenas have announced their support for ICI. On the Macintosh, ICI support is currently available from Adobe Photoshop, Quark XPress 3.0, Stuffit DeLuxe by Aladdin Systems, Studio-32 from Electronic Arts and the DiskDoubler Plus by Salient.

Autodesk Inc. has announced its intention to support ICI in its PC multimedia applications. Additional third-party vendors are expected to announce their support for ICI over the next several months. Hardware Support

Hardware products that support ICI include C-Cube's new Compression Master boards. Third-party hardware products that support the ICI standard are expected to be introduced this fall, offering users a choice of image compression solutions. Easy Integration

C-Cube's Compression Workshop 1.1 package provides all the software resources and source code needed to integrate ICI into any application. Interfaces and driver specifications for hardware developers are included. The Compression Workshop 1.1 retails for $195 and will be available in November. For more

information, call C-Cube sales at 408/944-6300.

C-Cube Microsystems is the leading developer of digital media technology used in applications such as color desktop publishing, digital photography and digital video systems. Based in San Jose, Calif., C-Cube was founded in July 1988 to establish its digital imaging technology as the industry standard for computer, communications and consumer electronics applications.

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BRENTWOOD, TENN. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Comdata Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:CMDT) Wednesday announced that Kelley D. Overton has been promoted to the position of vice president sales within the company's transportation division.

Overton formerly was regional sales manager for the division's General Sales Group.

Overton's promotion follows a six-year career with Comdata that began in telemarketing. During his employment with the company, he has held various sales positions, which included field responsibilities in two of the division's territories.

In his new position, Overton will oversee a 15-person sales force that serves trucking companies throughout the country and will be responsible for business development among existing and new transportation accounts.

Overton will report directly to Louis A. Molettiere, senior vice president sales for the division.

''It is a pleasure to recognize in this way Kelley Overton's hard work and dedication on behalf of the Transportation Division and our company for so many years,'' said Molettiere. ''He has enthusiastically accepted all previous assignments, serving with great determination and making meaningful contributions to Comdata's development.

''We look forward to his expanded role in the continued growth of our transportation- related businesses.''

Overton is a native of Lafayette, Tennessee. Following studies at Martin College in Pulaski, Tenn., he received a Bachelor of Business Administration from Middle Tennessee State University.

Comdata is a leading supplier of funds transfer, cash advance, permits, point-of- sale systems services, and telecommunications services to the transportation, leisure and retail industries. The company's shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CMDT.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - A group of business and financial leaders from the United States and other Western countries will gather in Shanghai commencing on Oct. 14 to meet with the leadership of China's largest metropolitan area on its plans to develop a financial services sector.

The conference, which is being organized for the International Business Leader's Advisory Council for the Mayor of Shanghai, is co-sponsored by three major international financial organizations and three Chinese financial institutions.

Shanghai's Mayor, Zhu Rongji, under whose auspices the conference is being held, will welcome the participants at a dinner on Sunday, Oct. 14 at the conference site, the new Shanghai Centre, a major multiuse commercial and residential complex including the American International Centre office building, a Portman hotel and conference facilities. Also welcoming the delegates will be Maurice R. Greenberg, chairman of American International Group Inc. (AIG) and chairman of the Advisory Council.

AIG, Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Credit Lyonnais Group are the three Western sponsors of the conference, which has been organized by AIG. The Chinese sponsoring organizations are the People's Bank of China, the Bank of China, and the Bank of Communications.

Principal speakers at the conference will include William E. Simon, chairman of William E. Simon & Sons Inc. and former U.S. Treasury Secretary, Casper W. Weinberger, Publisher of Forbes magazine and former U.S. Secretary of Defense, and the Rt. Honorable Lord Prior, PC, Chairman of The General Electric Co. p.l.c. of Great Britain. The moderator will be E. Gerald Corrigan, president of The Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

The International Business Leaders' Advisory Council for the Mayor of Shanghai is composed of chairmen and senior executives of leading world corporations. Its purpose is to provide the Mayor with information and recommendations which can help in the formulation of strategies for the Municipality of Shanghai.

AIG, the conference organizer and a founding member of the International

Business Leaders' Advisory Council for the Mayor of Shanghai, has an historic tie to Shanghai and China.

The company was founded in Shanghai in 1919 and spread throughout China and Southeast Asia during the 1920's and 1930's. Operating today in 130 countries and jurisdictions worldwide, AIG retains strong ties to Asia and today is among the largest foreign-based insurers in many Asian markets.

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WILLOUGHBY, OH (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - October 3, 1990 - Figgie International Inc. has completed the acquisition of the assets of Talon International Ltd. of Levin, New Zealand, and Talon International Pty. Ltd. of Sydney, Australia. Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

Talon manufactures scissorlifts, telescoping self-propelled boom work platforms and articulating booms for trucks and trailers. The company will become part of Figgie International's Snorkel-Economy division and will be known as Talon/Snorkel Pty. Limited, headquartered in Sydney.

Snorkel-Economy is a leading manufacturer of scissorlifts and industrial and aerial work platforms. The new Talon/Snorkel company will distribute Talon, Snorkel and Economy products in Australia, New Zealand and the Far East.

Figgie International Inc. is a major diversified Fortune 500 company serving consumer, industrial, technical and service markets worldwide. Sales in 1989 were $1.3 billion.

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ST. CHARLES, MD (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - As a result of the recent closing of the National Bank of Washington, the U.S. Comptroller of the Currency has appointed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) as receiver of a $12 million obligation owed to the failed bank by Interstate General Company L.P. (ASE: IGC).

IGC is a diversified real estate organization involved with community development, homebuilding, investment properties and management services. A publicly traded partnership, the company is listed on the American and Pacific stock exchanges.

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SAN JOSE, CA.- (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Quark, Inc. has announced a significant product development effort for IBM's line of personal computers and workstations. As its initial entry into this market, the company will adapt QuarkXPress(b)/PC, its electronic publishing software, for the IBM Personal System/2(a). It is expected to be available in 1991.

Quark is working with IBM on future development efforts that will provide Quark electronic publishing products for the PS/2(a) using Operating System/2(a) and RISC System/6000(a), as well as software to enhance integration and connectivity of multiple vendor systems.

''We are quite impressed with IBM's commitment to the publishing market,'' said Tim Gill, Quark's founder and senior vice president of research and development. ''Our customers are very important to us, and we listen carefully. With IBM's expanding role in this marketplace, we want to be there for our customers with a full range of products and services.''

The IBM Media Industry has identified newspaper, magazine and book publishing as top growth markets during the 1990s for its products and services. IBM offers a full-range of computer systems, sophisticated networking capabilities service and training to provide a system-wide solution to publishing firms.

''Quark is clearly a respected industry leader, and this development effort represents a major step for us in providing a system solution for our mutual customers,'' said Frank Hagan, manager of media industries for IBM.

Working with IBM, Quark also will pursue development in areas such as groupware and data exchange software for Atex systems and other third-party vendors. Groupware enables reporters and graphic designers, for example, to be working on the same document simultaneously.

''We've been hearing a lot from the publishing community about the need for groupware to make the entire editorial and production process faster and easier,'' said Gill. ''OS/2(a) Presentation Manager(a) is a natural for this because of its great connectivity and networking potential. Also, its multitasking capability readily facilitates work group publishing which we think is key to the future of electronic publishing.''

IBM's Media Industry addresses the computing needs of nine diverse industry segments, the largest of which are newspapers and magazines. Headquartered in White Plains, N.Y., the Media Industry has a mission to provide integrated hardware and software solutions to customers within these industry segments.

Based in Denver, Colo., Quark, Inc., develops and distributes publishing software products for commercial publishing and graphic arts professionals using microcomputer-based systems. QuarkXPress, a precision-oriented software product, provides even the most demanding publishing arts professional with the tools and features they need to create and implement sophisticated publication designs. Founded in 1981, Quark is privately held.

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Quark Inc., Denver
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CHICAGO (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - In a joint announcement Wednesday, SSA President Roger Covey and IBM Australia Director and Assistant General Manager Operations-Australia/New Zealand, Terry Baker, announced that IBM Australia had acquired 15 percent equity in SSA's Australian susidiary, SSA Services Pty Ltd.

SSA President Roger Covey termed the alliance ''a significant step forward in expanding SSA's relationship with IBM. SSA has very active plans for growth in the Pacific region,'' he continued, ''and with IBM as a shareholder the implementation of these plans will be accelerated.''

As part of the alliance, two senior IBM executives have assumed marketing roles at SSA in Australia. In addition, a number of joint marketing programs will be quickly introduced in the Pacific region. Terry Baker, IBM Australia director and assistant general manager operations Australia/New Zealand, described the alliance as ''a further extension of IBM's alliance strategy.''

SSA (NASDAQ: SSAX) develops, markets and supports an integrated line of business application software and CASE tools for users of the IBM AS/400 (tm) computers through a global network of Affiliate business partners and SSA Regional Headquarters offices. On Aug. 16, 1990, SSA announced record earnings and revenues for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Richard Projain, president and chief executive officer of ElectroSound Group Inc., (AMEX:ESG) Wednesday reported the operating results for the first quarter which ended Aug. 31, 1990.

During the first quarter the company incurred a loss of $91,000 as compared to income of $409,000 for the same period in fiscal 1990. The profit in fiscal 1990 resulted from a $418,000 gain on the sale of assets of the company's commercial duplicating equipment manufacturing operation.

For the quarter, sales declined 31 percent to $4,874,000. These results are attributable to a generally softening economy, the declining market for vinyl phonograph records, and lower sales of cassette albums.

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John J. Grein, 516/234-2010

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UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The Boone Company is currently using a Western Union HotLine so that individuals can make their voices heard on Japanese trade and investment policies.

Messages will be sent on behalf of the caller free of charge, courtesy of T. Boone Pickens, the well-known international financier. By calling a toll-free number (1-800-325-6000, HotLine Operator 9765), Americans can send a Western Union Custom Letter (SM) to Japanese Ambassador Ryohei Murata, United States Trade Representative Carla Hills and the president of Toyota Motors USA, Yukiyasu Togo, regarding Japan's closed corporate system and the desire that Japan support the military effort in Saudi Arabia.

Gary Breitbart, Marketing Manager - Document Delivery Products for Western Union Priority Services, explained, ''Mr. Pickens decided to utilize Western Union's ProAction HotLine (SM) service in conjunction with broad newspaper advertising to maximize the impact of his message.''

The ad's headline reads ''America, You Lost the Economic War,'' referring to one of the many taunts hurled at Pickens and 50 other American stockholders at the annual meeting of Koito Manufacturing in Japan. ''The American people are angry, and I want the Japanese government to know it,'' Pickens said. ''Corporate Japan invests freely in the United States, but restricts free-market competition in Japan,'' Pickens continued. ''Toyota and other big corporate cartels of Japan are expanding their reach, and making a mockery of America's anti-trust laws. And now, when the military is protecting Middle East oil that fuels Japan's economic power, what do we get in return? What we

have always gotten from Japan: very little.''

Advertisements with the Western Union HotLine number will continue to run in major markets across the country during the next few weeks.

Western Union Corporation provides a broad range of messaging, financial and other services, to meet the specific needs of business customers and individual consumers. Its Priority Services unit is the leading provider of paper-based messaging products and services where speed, impact and service are critical to the success or failure of business communications.

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Maria Gordon/Sue Hoffman, 212/696-4744.

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LITTLETON, MA (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Coinciding with the reunification of Germany, Alliant Computer Systems (NASDAQ:ALNT) Wednesday announced it has sold the first American-made supercomputer to an East German customer.

Humbolt University, an historic East German institution and the oldest university in Berlin, will use Alliant's FX/Series supercomputer for scientific applications in chemistry, electronics design, mechanical engineering, mathematics and physics. Humbolt's Institute of Physics was headed by Albert Einstein from 1914 to 1933, during which time he developed his theory of relativity (1914-1916).

According to Dr. Jens-Joerg Gerber, assistant director of Humbolt's computer center, the university selected the Alliant supercomputer because it wanted to be at the forefront of computer technology as it prepared to compete with Western institutions. ''We want to catch up quickly, and the parallel processing capabilities of the Alliant supercomputer will help us do that,'' Gerber said.

Alliant Computer Systems manufactures standards-based parallel supercomputers with visualization tools that enable scientists and engineers to quickly interpret and solve complex problems.

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Christine Flaherty, 603/436-6690

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DUNCAN, SC (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - One Price Clothing Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ONPR) Wednesday announced that sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990 were materially less than expected.

Same store sales decreased 7 percent in the third quarter compared with the like quarter last year. This shortfall is sales, management feels, was due to a general slowdown in consumer spending, particularly during the month of September.

As a consequence of this softness in sales, the company expects its earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990 to be significantly below some analysts' estimates of 5 cents to 11 cents per share. The company reported earnings of 7 cents per share for the third quarter of last year, ended Sept. 30, 1989. The company expects to announce its third quarter earnings during the week of Oct. 22, 1990.

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BURLINGTON, VT (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - John A. Cobb, president and chief executive officer of Eastern Bancorp (NASDAQ:VFBK), parent company of Vermont Federal Bank, Burlington, and Rockingham Bancorp, Exeter, N.H., announced Wednesday that the company expects to add approximately $1.7 million of loan loss reserves during the company's fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Cobb also announced that Eastern would recognize a pre-tax gain of approximately $1.3 million on the sale of certain mortgage loans which were securitized and sold by Vermont Federal Bank during the fourth quarter.

Of the additional loan loss reserves expected to be established during the fourth quarter, approximately $800,000 related to fair value adjustments on certain commercial real estate loans held in Vermont Federal Bank's loan portfolio which will be reclassified as in-substance foreclosures at Sept. 30, 1990, and approximately $200,000 is attributable to loan loss reserves which Vermont Federal expects to establish on certain other commercial real estate loans which are classified substandard.

The remaining portion of the additional loan loss reserves reflects an increase in general loss reserves at Vermont Federal Bank and First Savings and Loan Association of New Hampshire, Rockingham's savings association subsidiary.

Cobb stated, ''During the fourth quarter, Vermont Federal Bank continued to review all of its commercial real estate loans which are classified substandard. Based on such review and the continued deterioration in the Vermont and New Hampshire economies, we concluded that it was appropriate to establish additional general and specific loan loss reserves.''

Cobb added, ''At this time, we do not anticipate that we will need to establish additional reserves for the fourth quarter beyond the amounts currently set aside, or that we will need to increase the amount we expect to charge off for loans which are to be recorded as in-substance foreclosures.

''However, the audit of the company's year end financial statements has not yet been completed. Therefore, there can be no assurance additional loss reserves or charge-offs will not be required.''

During the fourth quarter, Vermont Federal Bank securitized a total of $80.4 million of fixed and adjustable rate mortgage loans held in its loan portfolio into FNMA mortgage backed securities, and sold $60.8 million of such securities at a pre-tax gain of $1.3 million. The bank used the proceeds from such sale to purchase an equivalent amount of FNMA and FHLMC adjustable rate mortgage backed securities with underlying mortgages on properties located in different areas of the country.

In addition to the $1.3 million pre-tax gain, Cobb noted that the bank benefited in a number of other ways from the balance sheet restructuring. Among other benefits, a lower risk weight is applied to FNMA and FHLMC mortgage backed securities compared to mortgage loans in computing the bank's risk-based capital requirement.

Principal and interest payments on the securities are guaranteed by FNMA and FHLMC. Additionally, the mortgage backed securities provide the bank with an additional source of collateral for borrowings and increase the liquidity of the bank's balance sheet. Moreover, through the purchase of the FNMA and FHLMC adjustable rate mortgage backed securities, the bank was able to increase its interest rate sensitivity and to diversify its prepayment risk.

Eastern Bancorp's fiscal year ended on Sept. 30, 1990, and it anticipates fourth quarter and year end results to be announced as soon as audited financial statements are available. Eastern Bancorp is a $618 million multiple holding company for Vermont Federal Bank of Vermont and Rockingham Bancorp of New Hampshire.

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-30- 4084

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HOUSTON (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Service Corp. International announced that it has entered into a definitive agreement for the previously announced sale of its casket supply business to a group of industry participants.

The purchase price for the business is $55 million, consisting of cash and debt of the newly organized acquiring company. The closing of the transaction is scheduled for Oct. 31.

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ROCHESTER, N.H. (OCT. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Only three weeks after introducing the local area networking (LAN) industry's broadest Token Ring product line, Cabletron Systems Inc. (NYSE:CS), an established and recognized leader in providing Ethernet connectivity and internetworking solutions, Wednesday announced plans to unveil its initial entry into the Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI) market at the upcoming Interop show in San Jose, Calif. (Oct. 10-12, Booth 1500).

Cabletron plans to unveil its Ethernet to FDDI (EFDMIM) bridging module for the Multi Media Access Center (MMAC) intelligent wiring hub by connecting two Cabletron Ethernet networks via the main FDDI ring formed by 37 major networking vendors of the FDDI Solutions Showcase Demonstration Group.

''FDDI, long viewed as the technology of tomorrow, is becoming readily available today,'' said Michael Welts, marketing manager at Cabletron. ''Cabletron's Integrated Network Architecture strategy calls for the successful integration of Ethernet, Token Ring and FDDI technologies to work simultaneously within the workplace. Our recent Token Ring announcement coupled with new FDDI capabilities and our leadership position in Ethernet technology products certainly makes Cabeltron the most complete networking solution available on the market today.''

In a January 1990 report from Forrester Research Inc., a research firm based in Cambridge, Mass., the average per port cost for FDDI (including fiber optic adapters, hubs, cables and connectors) was reported as $11,650. Forrester estimates this figure will drop to $2,000 by 1994, but Welts said Cabletron expects it will drop even further if a twisted pair standard is approved in the interim.

The EFDMIM will support dual attached connection for the MMAC intelligent wiring hub using a media scheme developed for the MMAC platform through

Cabletron's Integrated Network Architecture. The Integrated Network Architecture is a product strategy which provides a standards-based framework for seamless network evolution and expansion as customer needs grow, or as new networking technologies enter the market.

The MMAC platform, through an innovative, three-tiered backplane known as the Flexible Network Bus (FNB), allows Ethernet, Token Ring and FDDI technologies to coexist within a single modular hub.

The EFDMIM receives Ethernet packets from one network and transfers them along an FDDI ring to another Ethernet network on the ring. The bridge contains extensive filtering databases and source learning to control data flow and unnecessary bandwidth consumption in an Ethernet environment.

The EFDMIM supports Cabletron's Remote LANVIEW network management and has the capability to monitor network statistics and traffic rates. The EFDMIM is compliant with FDDI standards, American National Standards Institute (ANSI) X3T9.5 standards and SMT 6.2 (station management) standards. The bridge is also protocol independent.

General availability of the EFDMIM bridge is expected to begin in 60 days. The bridge is priced at $19,995.

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#90276b0844 10/03/1990 ~Business Wire

WEST PALM BEACH, FL (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - VHC Ltd. (NASDAQ:VHCL) Wednesday announced that a settlement had been reached in principle among the parties involved in the class action litigation commenced on behalf of certain minority stockholders of the company in connection with the proposed buy-out of the company by its president, Joseph F. Bradway Jr.

Pursuant to the terms of the settlement, VHC will pay an additional ten cents per share in respect of the shares held by the public minority stockholders, which excludes those shares held by directors of VHC and their affiliates which were part of a Lock-up Agreement entered into at the time the buy-out transaction was announced.

VHC stockholders approved the buy-out transaction at a Special Meeting of Stockholders held on Oct. 2, 1990. Upon closing of the buy-out transaction, all stockholders of VHC other than Bradway will receive cash in the amount of $5.75 per share.

The settlement of the litigation is subject to court approval and, if approved is not anticipated to be final until mid-November at the earliest. In

addition to amounts payable to the minority public stockholders upon finalization of the settlement, the company has agreed to pay certain other expenses of the litigation.

VHC Ltd. is a holding company with interests in the glass container forming machinery and food processing machinery industries. VHC's common stock is traded in the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol VHCL.

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#90276c0002 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 3) UPI - Stockholders sued Financial News Network on Tuesday, claiming the cable business news company wrongfully withheld details about its investment in a new financial information service and other ventures.

The suit was filed in U.S. District Court one day after FNN announced it may face ''a very substantial non-cash loss'' for the fourth quarter and the year if auditors decide its $28 million investment in a new product, FNN:PRO, must be charged against current earnings.

If FNN reports such a loss, the company said Monday it could be placed in default on approximately $48.5 million in bank loans.

In addition to FNN, the lawsuit names as defendants Infotechnology Inc. - which owns 47 percent of FNN - its chairman, Dr. Earl Brian and other company officials who stockholders accuse of attempting to ''inflate the market price of FNN common stock'' between December 1989 and October 1990.

In fiscal 1989 FNN reported operating earnings of $6.5 million, or 36 cents a share, on revenues of $44.5 million.

Following FNN's announcement about a possible default on the loans, FNN stock dropped to $2.50, losing almost 50 percent of its market value in over-the-counter trading, the suit said.

The suit asserted that FNN overstated its net income by ''improper deferral of the development costs associated with the start-up of ... FNN:PRO.''

The product, introduced in July, features financial information, news and a video service.

In the lawsuit, shareholders say FNN ''was taking a significant financial risk by expanding into the financial information business which, if not successful, would result in a substantial reduction in the profitablity of its business.''

The suit, which seeks unspecified compensatory damages, also asserts that FNN overstated its assets in statements about the value of ''leased equipment'' and boosted its revenues and net income ''by improperly accounting for sale and leaseback transactions'' related to other FNN services.

Infotechnology officials could not immediately be reached for comment on the lawsuit.

On Monday, the cable business news company defended its handling of the new product's start-up costs as an investment and said it was beginning discussions with its principal bank to seek appropriate waivers to prevent default.

Auditors for FNN also were reviewing the valuation of data receivers provided to customers of FNN:Data Broadcasting, which is FNN's stock quote and market information service; accounting for the sale and leaseback of the receivers; and FNN's property accounts, the company said.

Saying auditors had not completed their independent examination, FNN sought a two-week extension to file its annual 10-K report with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The deadline for filing was Sept. 28.

The key accounting issue is how the approximately $28 million FNN invested in the new FNN:PRO product should be treated - as a charge against current earnings or amortized over a longer period of time.

FNN stock held by Infotech serves as collateral for Infotech's primary bank credit agreements under which about $20.7 million is outstanding.

If the auditors determine that FNN must take a one-time charge against fourth-quarter results for its investment in the real-time financial news service, FNN said it would be forced to report a ''very substantial non-cash loss for at least the fourth quarter of 1990 and the year.''

Brian said Monday that the company ''followed what we thought were appropriate procedures to treat the start-up cost as an investment and in recent days auditors have taken the position this should be written off as opposed to capitalized.

''If you do that, you end up with a big loss for FNN's fourth quarter and the potential of that is to change a lot of balance sheet ratios, which in turn causes your bank agreements to be in default, so you try to get waivers,'' he said.

Infotechnology also owns United Press International.

In Washington on Monday, UPI spokesman Milt Capps said FNN's financial operations will not directly affect UPI.

''These matters will not have a direct impact on UPI inasmuch as UPI is itself operating profitably,'' Capps said.

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#90276c0004 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in Prime Motor Inns LP (NASDAQ: PMP) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

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#90276c0005 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 1:

Delta Rental Systems Inc. (CRUZ)
Softkey Software Products Inc. (SKEYF)
The Writer Corp. (WRTC)

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#90276c0006 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 2 due to an insufficient number of active market makers:

EPI International Inc. (EPIX)
Piedmont BankGroup Inc. (PBGIG)

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 1:

Fertility and Genetics Research Inc. (BABY); Delinquent in issuer fees
Shelby Federal Savings Bank (SHLB); Acquired by First of America Bank

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#90276c0007 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 3:

Secom General Corp. - WI (SECMV) to (SECM)
Medical Innovations Inc. - Cl. A Wts. 9/30/90 (MIXXW) to Cl. A Wts., 4/30/91 (MIXXW)

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#90276c0008 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Prime Motor Inns LP has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol PMP. Trading was resumed at 9:53.

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#90276c0009 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Amerimark Corp. lost $1.12 million, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $7.45 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.21 million, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $4.18 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0010 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Concord Camera Corp.(TICKER: LENS) lost $3.20 million, or $0.78 per share, on revenues of $28.38 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.54 million, or $0.62 per share, on revenues of $24.77 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0012 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Sunrise Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: SRSL) earned $1.55 million, or $1.84 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.40 million, or $1.66 per share, in fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0013 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Commercial Federal Corp.(TICKER: CFCN) lost $31.88 million, or $4.61 per share for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.22 million, or $0.32 per share, in fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0014 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Midwest Communications Corp.(TICKER: MCOM) lost $1.65 million, or $0.55 per share, on revenues of $190.48 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.04 million, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $161.38 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0015 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Med-Care Corp.(TICKER: MDCC) earned $523,332, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $14.17 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $532,856, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $2.26 million for the six-month period ended June 30, 1989.

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#90276c0016 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:23 that trade in Micro Healthsystems Inc.(NASDAQ: MCHS) has been resumed. The first sale was 14 1/4; up 3/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90276c0017 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Great American Recreation Inc.(TICKER: GRAR) lost $404,877, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $6.78 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $775,751 (including an extraordinary gain of $300,000), or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $5.62 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90276c0018 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Synetic Inc.(TICKER: SNTC) earned $3.89 million, or $0.54 per share, on revenues of $23.99 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $2.58 million, or $0.52 per share, on revenues of $23.24 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0020 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Satellite Information Systems Inc. lost $722,411, or $0.27 per share, on revenues of $2.50 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $237,908, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $4.41 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0021 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Management Co. Entertainment Group Inc.(TICKER: MCEG) announced the resignation of its chairman and chief executive officer, Jonathan D. Krane, on Sept. 14, 1990.

Krane agreed to an irrevocable proxy to vote all his Series A preferred stock and Series B preferred stock to two directors of the company, Dekom and Godfrey.

His seat on the board of directors remains unfilled.

Additionally, the company is taking steps to refocus certain aspects of its business and is seeking to restructure its financial obligations, to borrow additional funds from existing creditors and to obtain additional equity funds from existing creditors and external sources.

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#90276c0022 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows F.A. Computer Technologies Inc.(TICKER: FACO) lost $62,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $132,000), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $166.49 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $83,000), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $98.63 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0023 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Sheffield Exploration Co.(TICKER: SFLD) lost $170,999, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $1.06 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $271,393, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $933,089 for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0024 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Medphone Corp.(TICKER: MPHO) lost $1.55 million, or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $317,899 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $1.53 million, or $0.25 per share, on no revenues for fiscal 1989.

The company's executive offices are located at The Atrium, Suite 210, East 80 Route 4, Paramus, NJ 07652-2647, and its telephone number is (201) 843-6644.

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#90276c0025 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Crestmont Federal Savings & Loan Association (TICKER: CRES) on Sept. 25, 1990, announced it is in compliance with its risk-based capital ratio and is in compliance will all applicable regulatory capital requirements.

The association also announced an increase in its non-performing assets.

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#90276c0026 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows GVC Venture Corp.(TICKER: GPAX) lost $477,000 (including a loss of $17,000 from discontinued operations), or $0.21 per share for the fiscal year ended June 30 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $3.98 million (including a loss of $3.39 million from discontinued operations), or $1.79 per share, for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0028 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Evansville Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: EVSB) earned $164,032, or $0.35 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $362,634, or $0.77 per share, for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0035 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows GC International Inc. lost $1.24 million (including a loss of $811,635 from

discontinued operations), or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $10.52 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $641,200, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $11.61 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0036 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows LSI Industries (TICKER: LYTS) reported earnings of $1.40 million, or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $83.71 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $4.0 million, or $0.85 per share, on revenues of $57.40 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0037 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Identix Inc.(TICKER: IDXX) lost $2.85 million, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $1.24 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $2.54 million, or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $1.87 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0038 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Schield Management Co.(TICKER: SMCD) lost $269,000, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $3.09 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $80,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $21,000), or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $2.46 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0039 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Tenet Information Systems Inc.(TICKER: TISI) lost $1.08 million, or $0.58 per share, on revenues of $1.25 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $28,706 (including an extraordinary gain of $81,604), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.42 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0040 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows The New Paraho Corp.(TICKER: NPCO) lost $650,136, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $372,956 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $1.02 million, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $297,219 for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0042 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Photon Technology International Inc.(TICKER: PHON) lost $386,910, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $5.25 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $886,999, or $0.48 per share, on revenues of $4.78 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0043 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Assix International Inc.(TICKER: ASIX) earned $1.34 million, or $0.32 per share, on revenues of $6.74 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with income of $479,377, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $2.84 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0044 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY CRI INSURED MTG ASSN INC OWNS 500 SHARES (.005%) OF AMERICAN INSURED MORTGAGE INVESTORS (TICKER: AIMA) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CRI has commenced a tender offer for LP interests of American Insured Mortgage Investors of 1.1966 shares of CRI a a deferred cash payment of $1.38 per share. The offer is set to expire on Dec. 18, 1990.

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#90276c0045 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY CRI INSURED MTG ASSN INC OWNS 744 SHARES (.008%) OF AMERICAN INSURED MORTGAGE INVESTORS (AIMA) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CRI has commenced a tender offer for LP interests of American Insured Mortgage Investors of 1.2973 shares of CRI a a deferred cash payment of $1.49 per share. The offer is set to expire on Dec. 18, 1990.

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#90276c0046 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY CRI INSURED MTG ASSN INC OWNS 12,045 SHARES (.12%) OF AMERICAN INSURED MORTGAGE INVESTORS (TICKER: AIMA) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CRI has commenced a tender offer for LP interests of American Insured Mortgage Investors of .4935 shares of CRI a a deferred cash payment of $.57 per share. The offer is set to expire on Dec. 18, 1990.

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#90276c0047 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Marcus Corp.(TICKER: MRCS) earned $4.77 million, or $0.62 per share, on revenues of $49.41 million for the quarter ended Aug. 23, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $4.15 million, or $0.54 per share, on revenues of $46.88 million for the quarter ended Aug. 17, 1989.

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#90276c0048 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Burke Mills Inc.(TICKER: BMLS) announced that on July 30, 1990, Naseus Inc. purchased from Khalid A. H. Al Sagar his investment power with respect to the 1.44 million shares of stock of Burke owned by Naseus Inc.

Sagar had previously possessed the sole investment power of company stock owned by Naseus Inc. Humayun N. Shaikh has possessed the sole voting power.

Naseus Inc. paid Sagar the sum of $2.89 million for the investment power, on July 30, 1990.

The company reports Sagar has no further direct or beneficial interest in Burke Mills.

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#90276c0050 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Advanced Tobacco Products Inc.(TICKER: ATPI) lost $117,816, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $445,906 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $159,317, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $600,779 for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0051 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows 1st Bancorp (TICKER: FBCV) earned $373,000, or $0.96 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $707,000, or $1.82 per share, for fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0052 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:01 that trade in Adtec Inc.(NASDAQ: JAILE) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 1/8.

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#90276c0053 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - Congress was told today that reorganizations of limited partnerships known as "roll-ups" are unfair to individual investors while industry officials countered investors can best be served through more accurate, complete and meaningful disclosure.

In a typical limited partnership, one or more limited partners contribute capital to the partnership. The total is used by a general partner to purchase assets, frequently real estate or oil and gas properties which are then managed by the general partner. The investment is illiquid with the expectation that in five to seven years the partnership's properties will grow

in value and be sold.

Roll-ups occur when two or more non-traded limited partnerships are consolidated into one new investment vehicle which is then traded on an exchange. Investors complain the result is the exchange value of their interests ends up far below the price of the new security once it begins publicly trading.

"The basic problem of roll-ups is these are legitimized theft," economist Benjamin Stein told the House telecommunications and finance subcommittee. "The problem in the stock drop is not liquidity but the market realizing it is no longer a viable security. General partners and lawyers aren't suffering. It is the limited partners who suffer."

However, Christopher Davis, president of Investment Partnership Association (IPA), the national trade group of limited partnership program sponsors, said partnership reorganizations are necessary because assets may not have performed as well as expected.

"The roll-up satisfies the legitimate expectations of a group of investors seeking liquidation without forcing partnerships to liquidate in a depressed marketplace to the disadvantage of other investors," Davis said.

A majority of limited partners must vote to approve roll-ups and critics say they often cannot make an informed decision because they receive a proxy containing hundreds of pages of legal and technical jargon explaining the new investment which only a professional investment analyst could understand.

The IPA, which opposes any new legislation which would prevent or hamper the reorganization of partnerships, says the answer lies in improved disclosure requirements.

"The IPA believes investors should have easy access to comprehensible information so that investors and their advisors can make appropriate financial decisions," Davis said.

Richard Wollack, chairman of Liquidity Fund Management Inc., said disclosure is insufficient.

"My recommendation is to create a dissenters package," Wollack said. "This would provide a level playing field."

Such a package, Wollack explained, would allow those who vote against roll-ups to have their units redeemed at current value. He also suggested creating two classes of securities, one of which allows dissenters to retain their original transaction rights and benefits, while the other contains the restructuring proposal.

The congressional panel said the Securities and Exchange Commission is expected to provide it with a report on issues related to roll-ups shortly, including whether current SEC disclosure rules are sufficient to protect investors.

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#90276c0054 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Cryomedical Sciences Inc.(TICKER: CMSI) lost $1.71 million, or $0.15 per share on no revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $537,596, or $0.07 per share, on no revenues in fiscal 1989.

Cryomedical is a development stage company engaged in the research and development of products for use in hypothermic (low-temperature) medicine.

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#90276c0055 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows CCR Inc. (TICKER: CCRC) lost $1.61 million (including a loss of $1.89 million from discontinued operations), or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $8.20 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $544,644 ($355,812 loss from discontinued operations), or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $6.17 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0056 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Micros Systems Inc.(TICKER: MCRS) earned $2.57 million, or $0.36 per share, on revenues of $35.23 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.29 million, or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $25.51 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0058 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) COMTEX - Leica plc filed a Form 20-F with the NASD stating it earned 4.85 million British pounds, or 4.94 pence per share, on revenues of 134.50 million pounds for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of 5.37 million pounds, or 5.49 pence per share, on revenues of 127.93 million pounds in fiscal 1989.

Leica comprises an international group of companies engaged in the development manufacture and distribution of optical and scientific instruments.

The company's executive office is located at Clifton Road, Cambridge CB1 3QH, United Kingdom.

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#90276c0059 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Lakeland First Financial Group Inc.(TICKER: LLSL) earned $1.32 million, or $0.45 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $3.98 million, or $1.37 per share, in fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0060 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows The Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ Symbol: TSFB) earned $544,000, or $0.67 per share for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $504,000, or $0.62 per share, in fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0061 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Gentner Electronics Corp.(TICKER: GTNR) lost $402,439, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $5.53 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $445,930, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $5.06 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90276c0062 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Deer Park Financial Corp. earned $179,000, or $1.72 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $241,000, or $2.32 per share, in fiscal 1989.

-30- 411

#90276c0063 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 17, 1990, M/A/R/C Inc. changed its fiscal year end from March 31 to Dec. 31.

A report presenting audited financial statements as of and for the nine-month transition period ended Dec. 31, 1990 will be filed on Form 10-K within 90 days subsequent to Dec. 31, 1990.

-30- 475

#90276c0064 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 25, 1990, Mercom Inc.(TICKER: MERO) appointed Deloitte & Touche as its independent accountants, replacing Arthur Andersen & Co.

Arthur Andersen's report on Mercom's financial statements for 1989 and 1988 was modified as to uncertainty regarding the outcome of pending litigation with the former president of Communications and Cablevision Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mercom.

No provision for any liability that may result upon adjudication was made in the related financial statements.

-30- 742

#90276c0066 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - V.D. MAXWELLCOX OF 1209 NW HIGHWAY, SUITE 308, GARLAND, TX 75041, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF MAXWELL-COX GROUP INC. THROUGH BRIGHTON SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 24, 1990.

(MAXWELL-COX GROUP INC. TEL: 214 606-3399)

-30- 424

#90276c0067 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - H. GIMELSTOB OF C/O GIMELSTOB REALTY, 7777 GLADES RD, SUITE 100, BOCA RATON, FL 33434, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,387 SHARES OF FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCORPORATION THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 27, 1990.

(FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCORPORATION TEL: 407 368-0091)

-30- 475

#90276c0068 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - D.L. BRUMBELOE OF 614 HIGHLAND PARK DR, EDEN, NC 27288, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF TAHOE COMPANY INC. THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 27, 1990.

(TAHOE COMPANY INC. TEL: 702 329-8835)

-30- 399
#90276c0069 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - Y. HENTIC OF 210 EAST 68TH STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 64,082 SHARES OF FIRST NATIONAL REALTY ASSOCIATES INC THROUGH DONALD & CO SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 24, 1990.

(FIRST NATIONAL REALTY ASSOCIATES I TEL: 203 854-0660)

-30- 452
#90276c0070 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.B. PRYOR OF 30 FRANCIS PL, CALDWELL, NJ 07000, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,450 SHARES OF FIRST NATIONAL REALTY ASSOCIATES INC THROUGH DONALD & CO SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 24, 1990.

(FIRST NATIONAL REALTY ASSOCIATES INC TEL: 203 854-0660)

-30- 449
#90276c0071 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K.D. KRAUSMAN OF 2073 S PEARL STREET, DENVER, CO 80210, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF LAFAYETTE ENTERPRISES LTD. THROUGH FIRST CHOICE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 24, 1990.

(LAFAYETTE ENTERPRISES LTD. TEL: 303 789-0229)

-30- 425
#90276c0072 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B.J. DANIELL OF 5401 WEST MOCKINGBIRD, DALLAS, TX 75209, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF AMERISERV FINANCIAL CORP. THROUGH I F P CORP. THE FILING

WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 28, 1990.

(AMERISERV FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 214 637-1572)

-30- 413
#90276c0074 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS A HENDERSON OF 117 PARK RD, TORONTO, ONTARIO, OV 00000, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,469 SHARES OF NOVA CORP. OF ALBERTA (TICKER: NVA) THROUGH SCOTIA MCLEOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(NOVA CORP. OF ALBERTA TEL: 403 290-6000)

-30- 422
#90276c0075 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SOUZI B BAGHDIKIAN OF 6901 EAST MICHIGAN CIRCLE, ANAHEIM, CA 92807, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF BRISTOL RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: BRCC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(BRISTOL RESEARCH CORP. TEL: 714 642-3373)

-30- 443
#90276c0076 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VICTOR M ROSENZWEIG OF C/O OLSHAN,GRUNDMAN,FROME,ROSENZ, 505 PARK AVE, 16 NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF TRANS-ATLANTIC VIDEO INC. (TICKER: TAVD) THROUGH HILL THOMPSON MAGID. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(TRANS-ATLANTIC VIDEO INC. TEL: 201 431-0700)

-30- 475
#90276c0077 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MORRIS ORENS OF C/O OLSHAN,GRUNDMAN,FROME,ROSENZ, 505 PARK AVE, 16TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF TRANS-ATLANTIC VIDEO INC. (TICKER: TAVD) THROUGH HILL THOMPSON MAGID. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(TRANS-ATLANTIC VIDEO INC. TEL: 201 431-0700)

-30- 469
#90276c0078 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JON FARBMAN OF 251 WEST 74TH STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10023, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DRILLSTAR CORP. (TICKER: DRIL) THROUGH S B CANTOR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(DRILLSTAR CORP. TEL: 212 496-6222)

-30- 402
#90276c0079 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARNOLD W WYNECOOP OF 17926 HATCH RD NORTH, COLBERT, WA 99005, HAS FILED TO SELL 51,270 SHARES OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI) THROUGH NELSON SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(GEMINI ENERGY CORP. TEL: 501 474-7906)

-30- 419
#90276c0080 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH A KATZ OF 10730 SEASCAPE COURT, 0, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46256, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,034 SHARES OF RYKA INC. (TICKER: RYKA) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 27, 1990.

(RYKA INC. TEL: 617 331-8800)

-30- 396
#90276c0082 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANTON PHILIPP OF 2121 N OCEAN BLVD, APT 1007-W, BOCA RATON, FL 33431, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,100 SHARES OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI) THROUGH ROSENKRANTZ LYON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. TEL: 914 347-2220)

-30- 464
#90276c0083 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROHAMMER CORP OF 205 PORTLAND STREET, BOSTON, MA 02114, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 399
#90276c0084 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLEN BOEHM OF 289 LEZAK ROAD, P O BOX #518, SEALY, TX 77474, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,026 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH JONES GABLE & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 409 885-4158)

-30- 401
#90276c0085 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK KOFFMAN OF 343 EAST 30TH ST, #15G, NEW YORK, NY 10016, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,192 SHARES OF SCORE BOARD INC. (TICKER: BSBL) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(SCORE BOARD INC. TEL: 609 354-9000)

-30- 406
#90276c0086 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LYNN B KINNEY OF 6520 WOODLAND, DALLAS, TX 75225, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF ULTRAK INC (TICKER: ULTK) THROUGH WEBER HALL SALE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(ULTRAK INC TEL: 303 466-7333)

-30- 380
#90276c0087 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRISON A STORMS OF 7241 AVENIA ALTISIMA, PALOS VERDES, CA 90274, HAS FILED TO SELL 41,666 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH LOVETT UNDERWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 435
#90276c0088 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AUDREY COFIELD OF 2819 PACIFIC AVE, LONG BEACH, CA 90806, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,250 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH BATEMAN EICHLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 424
#90276c0090 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILIPPE FROSSARD OF 660 HAMILTON AVE, PALO ALTO, CA 94301, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CALIFORNIA BIOTECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CBIO) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(CALIFORNIA BIOTECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 415 966-1550)

-30- 451
#90276c0091 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOMER L DAVIS OF 270 BRONXVILLE RD A-54, BRONXVILLE, NY 10708, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,905 SHARES OF MEMORY SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: MEMX) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(MEMORY SCIENCES CORP. TEL: 703 361-9745)

-30- 422
#90276c0092 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN W BARTON OF 11715 PROVINCETOWN DR, 00, CHARLOTTE, NC 28277, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,354 SHARES OF RABBIT SOFTWARE CORP. (TICKER: RABT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(RABBIT SOFTWARE CORP. TEL: 215 647-0440)

-30- 422
#90276c0093 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WARREN K NOVICK OF 29 ELM AVE, MT VERNON, NY 10550, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF DAWN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: DAWN) THROUGH M RIMSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(DAWN CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 914 668-1922)

-30- 402
#90276c0094 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAROL WHITFIELD OF 640 CLYDE CT, MTN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(CONSILIUM INC. TEL: 415 691-6100)

-30- 402
#90276c0095 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - YVETTE UROSHEUCH OF 2505 FLEETWOOD DR, CINCINNATI, OH 45211, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF ALPHA SOLARCO INC. (TICKER: ASCO) THROUGH NATIONAL SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(ALPHA SOLARCO INC. TEL: 513 771-1690)

-30- 419
#90276c0096 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

SIPAC CORP OWNS 360,501 SHARES (2.20%) OF FEDERAL REALTY INVESTMENT TRUST (TICKER: FRT) OF BETHESDA, MD.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In exchange for release from intercorporate indebtedness, Sipac Corp.

transferred 137,363 shares to its parent company and 277,699 shares to COGEFON a sister company. Sipac Corp. also made an exchange with a minority shareholder of SIAM Ltd. of 83,184 shares in return for the shares of SIAM held by such shareholder.

PURPOSE:

Payment of intercorporate indebtedness.

-30- 712
#90276c0098 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

An agreement dated July 23, 1990 was entered into by MHP Machines Inc. and (TICKER: MHPI) Eastern Shore Consolidated Ind. Inc. regarding the tender offer by Eastern Shore Consolidated Ind. Inc. of $.50 per share for 586,000 shares of MHP Machines Inc. representing a 51 percent interest. Under the agreement, if the number of shares tendered is less than 586,000, MHP Machines Inc. shall issue Eastern Shore Consolidated Ind. Inc. such additional shares as would enable Eastern Shore Consolidated Ind. Inc. to hold 51 percent of the outstanding MHP Machines Inc. shares.

-30- 805
#90276c0099 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY LEUCADIA INC OWNS 9,087,591 SHARES (66.80%) OF PHLCORP INC (TICKER: PHX) OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 20, 1990 and Sept. 28, 1990 Leucadia Inc. purchased 51,900 shares at $11.67 to $12.82 per share.

-30- 431
#90276c0100 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, J. MOORE, OFFICER OF CAPSTEAD MORTGAGE CORP. (TICKER: CMO), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250.

-30- 309
#90276c0101 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, R.E. RAMSER, DIR. OF FIRST-KNOX BANC CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $41.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,679.

-30- 294
#90276c0102 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, J.F. COWEE, VP OF NORTH VALLEY BANCORP SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 221.

-30- 293
#90276c0103 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 30, 1990, J.C. SHOTT, DIR. OF POCAHONTAS BANKSHARES CORP BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 314
#90276c0104 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, A.N. GUARENTE, OFFICER OF SUBURBAN FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,800.

-30- 327
#90276c0106 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, R.J. ENDRES, DIV. OFFICER OF SOUTHERN UNION CO. (TICKER: SUG) BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 322
#90276c0107 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, P.A. CARROLL, DIR. OF NHI NELSON HOLDINGS INTL LTD. (TICKER: NNH), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90276c0108 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM G ROTH, DIR. OF AMCAST INDUSTRIAL CORP. (TICKER: AIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 317
#90276c0109 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, GENE S MORPHIS, VP OF AMERICAN WOODMARK CORP. (TICKER: AMWD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 318
#90276c0110 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, HERBERT J ROWE, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 296
#90276c0111 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ELMER B HARRIS, DIR. OF AMSOUTH BANCORP. (TICKER: ASO), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 717.

-30- 304
#90276c0112 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 09, 1990, ROZANNE L RIDGWAY, DIR. OF BELL ATLANTIC CORP. (TICKER: BEL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $43.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 309
#90276c0114 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ELI BROAD, CHAIRMAN OF BROAD INC. (TICKER: BRO), BOUGHT 176,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,482,203.

-30- 301
#90276c0115 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DARYL K SEAMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BOW VALLEY INDUSTRIES LTD. (TICKER: BVI), SOLD 10,600 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90276c0116 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DARYL K SEAMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BOW VALLEY INDUSTRIES LTD. (TICKER: BVI), SOLD 9,400 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,386.

-30- 340
#90276c0117 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 04, 1990, PAUL A CARROLL, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BREAKWATER RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: BWRL), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $1.65 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90276c0118 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, RICHARD L MATSON, SHAREHOLDER OF CASCADE CORP. (TICKER: CASC), SOLD 9,500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 149.

-30- 313
#90276c0119 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DAVID G ALLEN, DIR. OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90276c0120 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, GEORGE W HILL, CHAIRMAN OF CCB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CCBF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 632,609.

-30- 323
#90276c0122 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JAMES F CONWAY III, PRES. OF COURIER CORP. (TICKER: CRRC), BOUGHT 1,012 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,099.

-30- 309
#90276c0123 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, GEORGE FOOS, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 308
#90276c0124 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CHARLES F DOLAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CABLEVISION SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: CVC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90276c0125 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, CHARLES F DOLAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CABLEVISION SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: CVC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90276c0126 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, CHARLES F DOLAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CABLEVISION SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: CVC), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90276c0127 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, CHARLES F DOLAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CABLEVISION SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: CVC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 377
#90276c0128 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, DANIEL T SWEENEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CABLEVISION SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: CVC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90276c0130 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, GEORGE W EBRIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF CYTOGEN CORP. (TICKER: CYTO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 315
#90276c0131 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DAVID M DOUB, VP OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $81.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,067.

-30- 327
#90276c0132 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, DICK ROBERDS, VP OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $79.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,906.

-30- 328
#90276c0133 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 02, 1990, JACK D REHM, DIR. OF EQUITABLE OF IOWA COS. (TICKER: EQIC), BOUGHT 179 SHARES AT $30.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 530.

-30- 308
#90276c0134 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 02, 1990, MICHAEL J CLAWSON, VP OF FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: FCOL), BOUGHT 1,691 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,691.

-30- 337
#90276c0135 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, MICHAEL J CLAWSON, VP OF FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: FCOL), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,517.

-30- 332
#90276c0136 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, WILLIAM W HAMMOND, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,586.

-30- 343
#90276c0138 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1989, ROBERT L LENIUS JR, OFFICER OF FIRST TEAM SPORTS INC. (TICKER: FTSP), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 329
#90276c0139 10/03/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1989, ROBERT L LENIUS JR, OFFICER OF FIRST TEAM SPORTS INC. (TICKER: FTSP), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $1.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,300.

-30- 329
#90276c0140 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 15, 1990, ROBERT L LENIUS JR, OFFICER OF FIRST TEAM SPORTS INC. (TICKER: FTSP), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90276c0141 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1989, ALBERT T SOMMERS, DIR. OF GROW GROUP INC. (TICKER: GRO), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90276c0142 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1989, ALBERT T SOMMERS, DIR. OF GROW GROUP INC. (TICKER: GRO), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,101.

-30- 300
#90276c0143 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1989, ALBERT T SOMMERS, DIR. OF GROW GROUP INC. (TICKER: GRO), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90276c0144 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1989, ALBERT T SOMMERS, DIR. OF GROW GROUP INC. (TICKER: GRO), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,101.

-30- 300

#90276c0146 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, MICHAEL A TALLAL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HOME CENTERS INC. (TICKER: HCEN), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES AT $1.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,500.

-30- 341
#90276c0147 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, LEONARD H MOSLEY, OFFICER OF INDEPENDENT BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: IBSI), BOUGHT 442 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 244,931.

-30- 335
#90276c0148 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, LARRY D HORNBECK, CHAIRMAN OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HOSS), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 182,710.

-30- 344
#90276c0149 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, D KENT ANDERSON, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE OF FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP. (TICKER: I), SOLD 265 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,500.

-30- 355
#90276c0150 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1986, BRUCE ADDISON, DIR. OF IMRE CORP. (TICKER: IMRE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 291
#90276c0151 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOHN D PETERSON, DIR. OF LILLY INDUSTRIAL COATING INC.

(TICKER: LICI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,334.

-30- 334
#90276c0152 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ALTON J BRANN, VP OF LITTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: LIT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $73.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90276c0154 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $9.42 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90276c0155 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.36 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90276c0156 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90276c0157 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,200.

-30- 325
#90276c0158 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JOSEPH L DIONNE, CHAIRMAN OF MCGRAW-HILL INC. (TICKER: MHP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $46.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,410.

-30- 319
#90276c0159 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CARL C GREGORY III, DIR. OF MIP PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: MIP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 319
#90276c0160 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, MERLE H BANTA, DIR. OF MARK CONTROLS CORP. (TICKER: MRCC), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,715.

-30- 314
#90276c0162 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JEROME O RODYSILL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NASH FINCH CO. (TICKER: NAFC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,720.

-30- 331
#90276c0163 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, NORMAN R SOLAND, VP OF NASH FINCH CO. (TICKER: NAFC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,665.

-30- 297
#90276c0164 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, WILLIAM P SPENCER, VP OF NATURAL ALTERNATIVES INTL INC. (TICKER: NATA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $1.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,200.

-30- 336
#90276c0165 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 10, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90276c0166 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 11, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90276c0167 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 23, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90276c0168 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 26, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90276c0170 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 30, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90276c0171 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 31, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,200.

-30- 363
#90276c0172 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90276c0173 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 750 SHARES AT $5.39 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90276c0174 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.39 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90276c0175 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90276c0176 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90276c0178 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY

SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90276c0179 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90276c0180 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,200.

-30- 363
#90276c0181 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHN CHARLES DIMMER, SHAREHOLDER OF PUGET SOUND BANCORP. (TICKER: PSNB), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 182,000.

-30- 343
#90276c0182 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM WARREN PHILIP, SHAREHOLDER OF PUGET SOUND BANCORP. (TICKER: PSNB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,000.

-30- 346
#90276c0183 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ANDREW D GUTHRIE JR, DIR. OF REGIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: REGB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,217.

-30- 324

#90276c0184 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, RICHARD S COHEN, DIR. OF SANTA ANITA REALTY ENTERPRISES INC. OPERATING CO. (TICKER: SAR), SOLD 1,348 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,050.

-30- 365
#90276c0186 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, FREDERICK DEANE JR, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,777.

-30- 318
#90276c0187 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, CHARLES E WILKES, VP OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90276c0188 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, GEORGE A DOUGLAS, OFFICER OF SALEM CORP. (TICKER: SBS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 297
#90276c0189 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, NEILS J THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN OF SCIENTIFIC MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: SCMS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 139,964.

-30- 359
#90276c0190 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, TURNER BYRON, VP OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SEC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90276c0191 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, TURNER BYRON, VP OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SEC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,185.

-30- 320
#90276c0192 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN K ARMSTRONG, DIR. OF SEALED AIR CORP. (TICKER: SEE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.24 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 312
#90276c0194 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MARK C MASUR, SHAREHOLDER OF STOR FURNISHINGS INTL INC. (TICKER: STOR), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 373,552.

-30- 343
#90276c0195 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MARK C MASUR, SHAREHOLDER OF STOR FURNISHINGS INTL INC. (TICKER: STOR), BOUGHT 65,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 438,552.

-30- 343
#90276c0196 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, WILLIAM L PIERPOINT, BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT HEALTH LTD. (TICKER: SUMH), BOUGHT 35,994 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,994.

-30- 337

#90276c0197 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, HENRY GREY, OFFICER OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 304
#90276c0198 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JANET J PETERS, VP OF VF CORP. (TICKER: VFC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 248
#90276c0199 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JANET J PETERS, VP OF VF CORP. (TICKER: VFC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,100.

-30- 284
#90276c0200 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, JAMES J FERRIGAN, OFFICER OF WAHLCO ENVIRONMENTAL SYS INC. (TICKER: WAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 343
#90276c0202 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 4) COMTEX - NUI Corp.(TICKER: NUI), a Bedminister, N.J., natural-gas utility-holding company, has agreed to acquire the natural-gas business of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.-based Pennsylvania Enterprises Inc. in a deal valued at $148.5 million.

Before the acquisition occurs, Pennsylvania Enterprises will sell its water-services business to Harrington Park, N.J.-based United Water Resources Inc. for $220 million cash, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The deal calls for NUI to pay Pennsylvania Enterprises shareholders either $52.05 or one NUI common share for each Pennsylvania Enterprises common share in exchange for the company's gas business.

NUI shareholders will vote on the acquisition at an Oct. 30 meeting.

NUI distributes natural gas in New Jersey and Florida through its Elizabethtown Gas Co. subsidiary to 220,000 customers in Union and Middlesex (N.J.) counties, and 78,000 customers in Dade, Broward and Brevard (Florida) counties.

Pennsylvania Enterprises distributes natural gas and water to 129,000 water customers and 127 gas customers in northeastern Pennsylvania, including the cities of Wilkes-Barre and Scranton, through its PG&W subsidiary.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 3, 1990.

-30- 1491
#90276c0203 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 4) COMTEX - Atlanta-based Georgia Power Inc. (TICKER: GPE), a Southern Co. unit, has agreed to sell equipment and property related to 101 power-generating substations, mostly in the Atlanta area, to Oglethorpe Power Corp., a Tucker, Ga.-based electric utility, for $17.59 million.

In addition, Georgia Power will swap its Beaver Ruin substation in Gwinnett County, Ga. for Oglethorpe's Dillard substation, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 3, 1990.

-30- 732
#90276c0204 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

MEDIQ INC OF PENNSAUKEN, NJ OWNS 123,282,987 SHARES (81.70%) OF NUTRAMAX PRODUCTS INC (TICKER: NMPC) OF GLOUCESTER, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 25, 1990 Mediq Inc. became a beneficial owner of 123,282,987 shares of Nutramax Products Inc. as a result of the merger of Nutramax Products Inc. and Aid-Pack Inc. which was a wholly owned subsidiary of Mediq Inc. A negative pledge agreement entered into on July 25, 1990 requires MEDIQ to hold at least 65 percent of Nutramax Products Inc.'s outstanding shares during the term of the agreement.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 780
#90276c0205 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

B.G. ROTKO, M.J. ROTKO, J.M. SHIPON, L. FEL OWN 51,778,855 SHARES (34.30%) OF NUTRAMAX PRODUCTS INC (TICKER: NMPC) OF GLOUCESTER, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 25, 1990 Mediq Inc. became a beneficial owner of 123,282,987 shares of Nutramax Products Inc. as a result of the merger of Nutramax Products Inc. and Aid-Pack Inc. which was a wholly owned subsidiary of Mediq. Since the Trust is the beneficial owner of 42 percent of the voting shares of Mediq, the Trust may be deemed the beneficial owner of 42 percent of Mediq's interest in Nutramax Products Inc.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 819
#90276c0206 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 5,359,630 CLASS A SHARES (21.17%) OF MEDIA GENERAL INC (TICKER: MEG) OF RICHMOND, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 407
#90276c0207 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 25, 1990 Intermark Inc.(TICKER: IMI) and Pier 1 Imports Inc. entered into a stock purchase agreement providing for the sale of 1,891,896 shares, representing 50.2 percent, of the stock of Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. (TICKER: SBN) owned by Intermark Inc. to Pier 1. The purchase price was $12 per share for a total consideration of $22,702,752. Pursuant to the agreement, Pier 1 has agreed to commence a cash tender offer no later than Oct. 2, 1990 to purchase the remaining Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. common shares at $12 per share.

PURPOSE:

Stock purchase agreement.

-30- 814
#90276c0208 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,229,000 SHARES (6.41%) OF FERRO CORP (TICKER: FOE) OF CLEVELAND, OH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 28 and Oct. 1 Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 256,000 shares at $18.50 to $24.80 per share. On Oct. 1 Gamco Investors Inc. sold 500 shares at $18.63 each.

-30- 518
#90276c0210 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ENVIRONMENTAL DIAGNOSTICS INC OF BURLINGTON, NC OWNS 423,533 SHARES (9.00%) OF DISEASE DETECTION INTL INC (TICKER: DDII).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

All sales of company stock by Environmental Diagnostics Inc. were Rule 144 sales.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 1, 1990, Environmental Diagnostics Inc. sold 77,250 shares. Between Dec. 22, 1988 and June 29, 1990, Environmental Diagnostics Inc. sold 17,012,000 shares. The sale of 77,250 shares on Oct. 1 takes into account a 1-for-40 reverse split.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 751
#90276c0211 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The board of Electronic Control Systems Inc.(TICKER: ELCS) has approved the merger proposal by Control Techniques for $2.43 per share. Certain shareholders who are also officers of Electronic Control Systems Inc. have entered into option agreements with Control Techniques giving CT the right to purchase 49 percent of the outstanding shares at $2.43 per share.

PURPOSE:

Approval of merger proposal.

-30- 643
#90276c0212 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

B.J. KORMAN OWNS 12,553,299 SHARES (8.30%) OF NUTRAMAX PRODUCTS INC (TICKER: NMPC) OF GLOUCESTER, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

B.J. Korman owns ten percent of the voting stock of MEDIQ Inc., which acquired 123,282,987 shares of the issuer on July 25, 1990 upon the merger of Nutramax Products Inc. and Aid-Pack Inc., a former subsidiary of MEDIQ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

B.J. Korman acquired 100,000 shares on Aug. 14-16, 1990 for $.19 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 682
#90276c0213 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.E. LEPONE OWNS 9,676,113 SHARES (6.40%) OF NUTRAMAX PRODUCTS INC (TICKER: NMPC) OF GLOUCESTER, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to his employment agreement with Nutramax Products Inc., D.E. Lepone received 906,113 shares on July 25, 1990. D.E. Lepone entered into a negative pledge of stock agreement dated July 25, 1990 in connection with the financing arrangements of Nutramax Products Inc. with Midlantic National Bank which prohibits D.E. Lepone from disposing of more than 15 percent of his shares over the life of the agreement.

LATEST TRANSACTION: D.E. Lepone acquired 50,000 shares on July 17, 1990 for $.16 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 878
#90276c0214 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The board of Electronics Control Systems Inc.(TICKER: ELCS) has approved the merger proposal by Control Techniques for $2.43 per share. Certain shareholders who are also officers of Electronics Control Systems Inc. have entered into option agreements with Control Techniques giving CT the right to

purchase 49 percent of the outstanding shares at $2.43 per share.

PURPOSE:

Approval of merger proposal.

-30- 645
#90276c0216 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY HOS PARTNERS LP OWNS 3,607,147 SHARES (37.86%) OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICE INC (TICKER: HOSS) OF GALVESTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 28, 1990, Hornbeck Offshore Service Inc. redeemed all 1,000 shares of the 1989 preferred stock by paying to HOS the redemption price of $1,000 per share plus accumulated and unpaid dividends in the amount of $25 per share. Pursuant to the voting agreement, HOS and Larry D. Hornbeck have agreed that each can designate one of Hornbeck Offshore Service Inc.'s six directors so long as each such party or its affiliates own a certain number of shares of common stock. Also, the parties and Hornbeck Offshore Service Inc. agreed to use their best efforts to amend Hornbeck Offshore Service Inc.'s certificate of incorporation to delete the restrictions limiting Hornbeck Offshore Service Inc.'s board to five members. After Dec. 31, 1994, the holders of the series 1 stock may elect a majority of Hornbeck Offshore Service Inc.'s board members for so long as there are any outstanding shares of series 1 stock. The special rights agreement between HOS-2 and Hornbeck Offshore Service Inc. grants to Hornbeck Offshore Service Inc. a right of first refusal in certain circumstances.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1494
#90276c0217 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

MITSUBISHI CORP OWNS 539,313 SHARES (8.30%) OF AMTECH CORP (TICKER: AMTC) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mitsubishi Corp. owns in excess of 5 percent of the company's common stock as of Nov. 8, 1989. Mitsubishi Corp. is a member of a group pursuant to rule 13d-5 under the exchange act as a result of a shareholders voting agreement and irrevocable proxy dated as of Nov. 16, 1989 among Kenneth W. Anderson, David P. Cook, H. Ross Perot, J. Michael Poss, Walter Brothers, John T. Walter Jr., Mitsubishi, Mitsubishi International Corp., and American President Companies Ltd.

-30- 775
#90276c0219 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY W.S. FRIEDMAN OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 2,238,304 SHARES (34.00%) OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST (TICKER: ARB) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From June 29, 1990 through Sept. 24, 1990, W.S. Friedman have sold 400,000 shares at a price of $3 per share and have purchased 937,000 shares at a price of $2.38 to $3.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment and to better align the interests of NRA with the shareholders of the trust.

-30- 649
#90276c0220 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY WASTE MANAGEMENT INC OF OAK BROOKS, IL OWNS 12,819,591 SHARES (55.00%) OF BRAND COS INC (TICKER: BRAN).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Chemical Waste Management exercised two of three installments of its option with respect to an aggregate of 2,601,272 common shares. CWM intends to acquire the shares on Oct. 12, 1990 for $21,085,494 in cash.

PURPOSE:

To control the company.

-30- 592
#90276c0222 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

M.F. DADDONA JR OWNS 188,225 SHARES (9.90%) OF DS BANCOR INC (TICKER: DSBC) OF DERBY, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT: M.F. Dadonna Jr. states that he may seek representation on the board of DS Bancor Inc. at the appropriate time.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

M.F. Dadonna Jr. purchased 51,600 shares from Aug. 15-30, 1990 for $7.75 to $10.50 per share.

-30- 537
#90276c0223 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L.S. RAYNOLDS OWNS 30,930 SHARES (.30%) OF CONSTELLATION BANCORP (TICKER: CSTL) OF ELIZABETH, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 396
#90276c0224 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.GH. RAYNOLDS OWNS 30,930 SHARES (.30%) OF CONSTELLATION BANCORP (TICKER: CSTL) OF ELIZABETH, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 18 and Sept. 27 R.GH. Raynolds had transactions involving 2,000 shares at $7.50 to $9 each; purchase or sale was not specified.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90276c0225 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M.A. KEAN RAYNOLDS OWNS 245,472 SHARES (3.00%) OF CONSTELLATION BANCORP (TICKER: CSTL) OF ELIZABETH, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 18 and Sept. 27 M.A. Kean Raynolds had transactions involving 10,000 shares at $7.50 to $9 each; purchase or sale was not specified.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 522
#90276c0226 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.AF. RAYNOLDS OWNS 30,930 SHARES (.30%) OF CONSTELLATION BANCORP (TICKER: CSTL) OF ELIZABETH, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 398
#90276c0228 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M.K. RAYNOLDS OWNS 30,930 SHARES (.30%) OF CONSTELLATION BANCORP (TICKER: CSTL) OF ELIZABETH, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 396
#90276c0229 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY FLF ASSOC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 4,239,600 SHARES (8.50%) OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP (TICKER: CBK) OF CHICAGO, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 21 through Sept. 27, 1990, FLF Assoc. purchased 1,435,000 shares at a price of $7.13 to $9 per share.

PURPOSE:

To maintain flexibility to increase investment position in Continental Bank Corp., FLF Assoc. may seek the approval of the Federal Reserve Board to acquire additional shares of Continental Bank Corp.'s common stock.

-30- 698
#90276c0230 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.D. BERRYHILL OWNS 175,000 SHARES (8.20%) OF EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORP

(TICKER: EDUC) OF TULSA, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an agreement, dated Oct. 1, 1990, Mr. Berryhill acquired 40,000 shares of common stock from EDC. Under the agreement, Mr. Berryhill assigned the cash rights and the option rights to EDC in exchange for 40,000 shares of common stock.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 616
#90276c0231 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY WHR MANAGEMENT CO LP OWNS 4,695,625 SHARES (26.62%) OF READING & BATES CORP (TICKER: RB) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 421
#90276c0232 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

R.L. BUNTING JR OF HUNTINGTON, WV OWNS 838,520 SHARES (16.80%) OF STEEL OF WEST VIRGINIA INC (TICKER: SWVA) OF HUNTINGTON, WV.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 1, 1990, R.L. Bunting Jr. purchased 325,000 shares of Steel of West Virginia Inc.'s common stock at a price of $2.25 per share, aggregately $731,250, in a brokerage transaction.

PURPOSE:

The shares were acquired with the intention of offering the shares, if feasible, for the same purchase price at which they were purchased, to employees of the company; investment.

-30- 753
#90276c0233 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GARRICK OVERSEAS INTERNATIONAL INC OWNS 1,111,111 SHARES (16.10%) OF JETBORNE INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: JETS) OF MIAMI, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The company and Garrick entered an agreement, dated June 25, 1990 and superseded by an agreement, dated June 26, 1990, requiring Garrick to purchase 111,111 shares of common stock at $.90 per share payable in July 1990. An additional option owned by Garrick to purchase 400,000 shares at $.90 per share on or before Aug. 10, 1990 lapsed without being exercised. The company was also issued warrants to purchase 1,000,000 shares of its common stock exercisable at a price of $3 per share anytime through June 24, 1992 and $3.30 per share during the following year ending June 24, 1993. No agreement has been reached, but Garrick has informally requested representation on the company's board of directors and it is hopeful that its request will be granted.

PURPOSE:

Investment and to facilitate joint venture.

-30- 1200
#90276c0234 10/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

J. LATSHAW OF KANSAS CITY, MO OWNS 204,776 SHARES (35.30%) OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: LAT) OF KANSAS CITY, MO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 5, 1990, Mr. Latshaw acquired 19,721 shares of Latshaw Enterprises Inc. in exchange for 1,000,000 shares of common stock of Latshaw & Co. Inc., owned by him, pursuant to an agreement and plan of reorganization executed by

and between Latshaw Enterprises Inc. and Mr. Latshaw. Mr. Latshaw executed a promissory note and is a party to a collateral security agreement with a commercial bank. Mr. Latshaw and Latshaw Enterprises Inc. executed two agreements effective July 16, 1990. The first agreement amended the stock option agreement and cancelled the stock option agreement dated Nov. 10, 1987, by and between Latshaw Enterprises Inc. and Mr. Latshaw; the second agreement, a stock option agreement, grants Mr. Latshaw, over a period of time, an option to purchase up to 7,500 shares at a price of $15 per share, subject to the terms and conditions of that agreement. J. Latshaw has made request to withhold bank documents from public disclosure herewith in order that the terms and provisions therein and the identity of the bank involved may remain confidential. The beneficially-owned shares include 2,250 shares which Mr. Latshaw has the present right to acquire.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 7, 1990 through Sept. 28, 1990, Mr. Latshaw purchased 6,520 shares at a price of $13.50 to $15.75 per share.

-30- 1702

#90276d0680 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 3) - Japanese carmakers are confident that German reunification will boost sales of their cars, auto industry sources said Wednesday.

Number one carmaker Toyota, which plans to sell 1,500 units cars in the former East German market in 1990, hopes to expand its sales target to over 10,000 units in 1991.

Nissan Motor has recently revised upward its initial sales goal there from 2,000 to 3,000 units, said the sources while Mitsubishi and Mazda are planning to strengthen their sales networks in the unified Germany. They anticipate sales of 5,000 and 3,000 units respectively this year.

A toyota spokesman said overall annual demand for new cars in former East Germany was estimated to be around 500,000 units a year, almost as many as are sold yearly in Holland and Belgium.

-30- 977

#90276d0690 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 3) - Cuts by the Soviet Union in oil exports to Vietnam have forced to government to double domestic petrol prices and search for new sources of the vital import, the Vietnam News Agency (VNA) said Wednesday.

"During the past two weeks and more, oil prices in the capital of Hanoi, in Ho Chi Minh City, and in many other localities throughout the country have increased unexpectedly, thus fermenting a competitive temperament among

consumers," said the VNA in a newscast monitored here.

The Far Eastern Economic Review (Feer) magazine recently reported that oil prices in Vietnam had doubled to 31 U.S. cents per litre.

Previously Vietnam imported oil from the Soviet Union, its main trading partner, but "perestroika" and the changing global picture in the oil trade has ushered in new trade arrangements based on hard currency transactions rather than communist solidarity and barter.

"This year, the supply of oil under contracts signed with the Soviet Union has faced numerous difficulties," the VNA said.

The government news agency added in the first nine months of 1990 the Soviet Union had cut oil exports to Vietnam by 30 percent.

Moscow had pledged to export 367,000 barrels of oil to Vietnam this year, the Feer reported this week.

Vietnam in 1990 is set to export about 2.5 million tonnes (or 340,000 barrels) of oil from its offshore reserves to Japan, but it has no refineries to convert the crude into commercial fuel for domestic use.

-30- 1675

#90276d0820 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (OCT. 3) - A leading Iranian newspaper Wednesday hailed the release of 40 prisoners by an Israeli-backed militia and said if the West makes further goodwill gestures its hostages in Lebanan could be freed by the end of the year.

"It is hoped that Western countries who have undeniable influence upon Israel and its mercenaries will exert more pressure on them to release greater numbers of Moslem hostages," said the English-language Teheran Times, which is close to the government of President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani.

"If the West goes ahead and responds with a true gesture of good will it can be hopeful that the problem of hostages in Lebanon will be solved by the end of the current year."

The South Lebanon Army (SLA), armed and financed by Israel, on Monday freed 40 detainees from the Kyiyam prison in the Israeli-imposed "security zone" in southern Lebanon.

Nearly 300 people are being held in Kyiyam on charges of supporting the anti-Israeli resistance movement in the region. The International Committee of the Red Cross is barred from the prison.

Iran and pro-Iranian Shiite Moslem groups holding Western hostages in Lebanon have repeatedly demanded the release of Khiyam prisoners as part of an exchange.

The Teheran Times said the release of the 40 prisoners by the SLA, "obviously a mercenary of the Israeli regime," apparently took place "under Western pressure."

The United States welcomed the SLA move. "It is consistent with our position that for humanitarian reasons all persons being detained without legal basis in the Middle East should be released immediately," said U.S. Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater.

Iran and Syria, a major power broker in Lebanon, joined forces to arrange the release in April of two Americans and an Irish hostage in July.

Following the liberation of the two Americans, Iranian authorities complained that Washington did not reciprocate with an appropriate gesture of good will.

Twelve Westerners are being held in Lebanon, most of whom are believed to be in the hands of pro-Iranian Shiite groups.

-30- 2319

#90276d1090 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 3) - Marubeni Corp. said Wednesday the Soviet Petrochemical Products Corporation had asked it for loans of between 100 million and 200 million dollars.

Marubeni officials, however, said the major Japanese trading company was unable to provide such loans without official payment guarantees by the Soviet Bank of Foreign Economic Affairs.

Industry sources meanwhile said Soviet foreign trade organizations, saddled with overdue debts to foreign firms, have made similar requests to other major Japanese trading companies.

The Soviet loan requests came at a time when the Soviet trading concerns are slowly repaying their overdue debts to Japanese companies, in a turnaround from a surge in arrears built up early this year in the wake of a drop in Soviet oil exports, they said.

At the end of July, Soviet overdue debts to Japan totaled 518 million dollars, they said.

But the Soviets last month gave 200 million dollars as part of payments for imports of Japanese steel products, theiy said.

-30- 1214
#90276d1190 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CANBERRA (OCT. 3) - The government increased the tax on wool sales from 18 to 25 percent Wednesday to help combat the crisis in Australia's second largest export industry.

The levy is paid by farmers to the Australian Wool Corporation (AWC) which uses the revenue to support the floor price for wool by buying stocks.

Federal Primary Industries Minister John Kerin told parliament that he had accepted a recommendation from the AWC to lift the levy to 25 percent with effect from Thursday.

He added that new legislation would "include a provision to increase the maximum wool tax rate to 30 percent in order to permit further increases up to that level if necessary."

On May 31, Mr. Kerin ordered a cut in the floor price from 8.70 Australian dollars (7.20 U.S.) a kilo to 7.00 dollars (5.80 U.S.) despite wool farmers' opposition.

Wool and sheepskin sales earned 3.8 billion dollars (3.2 billion U.S.) in the year ending June 30, out of total Australian exports of 47.4 billion dollars (39.3 billion U.S.).

A sharp drop in purchases by China and Japan helped push the value of wool exports down from 5.9 billion dollars a year earlier.

-30- 1363
#90276d1210 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 3) - Malaysia can well sustain an economic growth rate of 7.5 percent in the next couple of years notwithstanding the uncertainties surrounding the Gulf crisis, a senior official said Wednesday.

"In fact in the immediate term, the Gulf crisis is likely to have a positive impact on the Malaysian economy as we are a net exporter of oil," Zain Azraai Zainal Abidin, the finance ministry's secretary-general, told a business convention.

He said growth in the first and second quarters had surpassed the performance last year, which by all measures was already a good year.

The economy grew at a rate of 8.5 percent last year and 11 percent in the first quarter of this year. Estimates show that the second quarter growth rate should be around nine or 10 percent.

"What is even more encouraging is that all major sectors of the economy continued to register bouyant growth, particularly the manufacturing, construction and agriculture sectors," Mr. Zain said.

He said indicators on private investments were particularly encouraging with projects worth 19 billion dollars (7.03 billion U.S.) approved up to July compared with only 12 billion dollars (4.44 billion U.S.) for the whole of last year.

He said that at the same time, consumer confidence remained strong with growth in private consumer spending soaring to double digits in the first half.

-30- 1582

#90276d1260 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY, Oct 3 (AFP) - Bond Corp. Holdings Ltd. announced Wednesday that it had finally sold its Australian brewing assets to a joint venture between its subsidiary Bell Resources and New Zealand's Lion Nathan.

The sale, which came after Alan Bond's shrinking empire reported losses of more than four billion dollars (3.3 billion U.S.) in the year to June 30, virtually completed the gutting of Bond Corp.

A spokeswoman for Bond Corp. said the company had already informed the Australian Stock Exchange of the deal but was yet to make a full statement.

Bell Resources said in a statement on Tuesday night that it would change the name of the brewing assets to National Brewing Holdings as soon as possible.

The deal was estimated to be worth about 1.8 billion Australian dollars (1.5 billion U.S.).

Last week the 52-year-old, English-born Mr. Bond quit the company he created from a sign-writing business 34 years ago and which at its height operated breweries in Australia and overseas, media telcommunications, property and mining interests.

Bond Corp. on Friday posted the nation's biggest ever loss of 2.25 billion dollars (1.9 billion U.S.) due to losses on all major operations and writedowns on major investments.

Bell Resources on Monday posted a 1.1 billion dollar (910 million U.S.) shortfall while Bell's 96 per cent owned Weeks Petroleum announced a 616.6 million dollar (509 million U.S.) loss.

Bond Media's Channel Nine Network - now owned by Australian tycoon Kerry Packer - notched losses of 619 million dollars (512 million U.S.) during the period.

The losses incurred by Bell Resources reflected a writedown on a deposit for Bond Corp's brewing assets which had been negotiated since May 1989.

Bond Corp. is reported to have prepared another profit statement to include the sale, which should see a reduction of the group's recent massive loss.

-30- 2090

#90276d1420 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (OCT. 3) - Media tycoon Rupert Murdoch announced Wednesday that he was merging four of Australia's most important papers to form two new daily newspapers.

Mr. Murdoch, who heads one of the world's biggest media groups, News Corp Ltd, told a press conference the papers would be created from mergers of the Melbourne Herald and Sun and the Sydney-based Daily Telegraph and Daily Mirror.

They will be published six days a week as The Herald-Sun (Melbourne) and The Daily Telegraph Mirror.

The announcement followed a run on News Corp share prices in the previous week which led to a "please explain" letter to the company from the Australian stock exchange.

From a high of 11.50 Australian dollars (9.50 U.S.) in early September, its stock price plunged to a four-year low of 6.50 dollars, although this had climbed to 6.92 by Wednesday's close.

Analysts blamed concern over excessive debt levels, focusing on the sharp growth in short-term borrowings.

Mr. Murdoch in a television interview Wednesday made light of the drubbing News Corp. has suffered on the stock exchange.

"We're having a shareholders' meeting in three weeks and I really shouldn't say anything now," he said, "but if the share price goes to 30 dollars I don't get excited about it, and if it goes to seven dollars I don't get excited about it either."

He also said that recent corporate collapses in Australia were deterring foreign investment.

The mergers of News Corp newspapers were the latest in a major shakeout of the Australian media, which has so far seen all of the big television stations either change hands or plunge into liquidation.

The shakeout is likely to continue at John Fairfax Ltd., Mr. Murdoch's great

rival.

Fairfax is still straining under what most analysts believe to be impossible debts resulting from proprietor Warwick Fairfax's privatisation of the group three years ago.

-30- 2127

#90276d1720 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (OCT. 3) - Jardine Pacific Ltd. said Wednesday it had formed a life insurance joint venture with the Colonial Mutual Group of Australia that would eventually operate throughout the Asia-Pacific region.

Under the agreement, the Australian insurance and financial concern would pay 23 million U.S. dollars for a stake in two Jardine subsidiaries, Jardine Life Assurance here and Lincoln Philippine Life in the Philippines, Jardine said in a statement.

Jardine CMG Life Ltd., the joint-venture's management company, would be based in the British colony with an additional regional office in Singapore, the statement said.

The parent companies would each hold a 50 per cent stake in the new venture.

The new firm's chief executive will be David May from Colonial Mutual, who said that while life insurance was in its infancy in countries in the region, "demand is growing even faster than the regional economy."

Colonial Mutual operates in its home base and in New Zealand, Fiji and Britain.

Jardine Pacific is the trading and services arm of Hong Kong's Jardine group.

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#90276d1770 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (OCT. 3) - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu was Wednesday to meet his Egyptian counterpart Atef Sedki on the second day of a visit here that has been dominated by the question of Japan's economic aid to Egypt.

Egypt is to receive 300 million dollars from Japan to help offset losses triggered by the international trade embargo on Iraq, Japanese diplomatic sources said.

The loan is to be repaid over 30 years, following a 10-year grace period, at an interest rate of one per cent. Another 100 million dollars will be invested in joint Japanese-Egyptian projects.

Mr. Kaifu met Tuesday with President Hosni Mubarak for private talks that were later expanded to include delegations from both governments.

The meetings focused on the Gulf crisis, particularly its repercussions on the Egyptian economy.

Official sources here said Egypt would be deprived of 10 billion dollars through lost trade, Suez Canal transit fees and a fall in tourism revenue caused by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Kaifu, at the start of a Middle East tour, was to leave for Amman later in the day.

-30- 1311

#90276d1910 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (OCT. 3) - Italian petrol pumps have shut up shop for three days in a protest against what they see as the excessively high tax on their industry and in support of demands for a reorganisation of the whole petrol retail network.

The only chance of finding a pump open since Tuesday night is the motorway service stations, and even these are to join the protest on Friday evening.

All the pumps are due to open again on Saturday morning.

The industry says that some 60 percent of the average 35 million lire (30,500 dollars) gross revenue of a gas station ends up in the state coffers.

The gas stations have warned that if they do not reach agreement with the government they will shut up shop again between November 13 and 17 and during the Christmas break, from December 24 to 31.

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#90276d2020 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA (OCT. 3) - An accountant looking for historical records in an old safe at a Baptist seminary has found a lost manuscript of two famous Mozart works.

Inside two manila envelopes labeled "sacred music," Judy DiBona discovered the 14-page original brown-ink manuscript of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's "Fantasia in C Minor" and the "Sonata in C Minor."

"I thought, gee, this couldn't be real, these are in an archive in the Louvre or somewhere in a museum," Ms. DiBona said Tuesday.

The whereabouts of the manuscript had been unknown since 1915, when its U.S. owner, William Doane of Cincinnati, died.

The manuscript, valued by Sotheby's auction house to be worth between 940,000 dollars and 1.4 million dollars, will be auctioned November 21 in London.

Lesser compositions by Franz Joseph Haydn, Johann Strauss the Elder and others were also found in the vault at Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadephia. Sotheby's estimated those manuscripts would fetch a total of about 110,000 dollars at the same sale.

Manfred Brauch, president of the seminary, said the manuscripts had been listed in insurance records since 1984 but that the insurance company had been unaware of their potential value.

Ms. DiBona, an accounting manager at the affiliated Eastern College in nearby St. Davids, said when she found the manuscript in July, "I hummed it and played it with my fingers -- I'm a pianist. I can't express the feeling of joy to be the first one to touch these manuscripts in years."

Mr. Brauch said the manuscripts were donated by the daughter of Mr. Doane, who had been a composer of hymns and a philanthropist.

"Scholars have not seen this Mozart manuscript since the early 19th century," said Stephen Roe, a Sotheby's expert. "It went through several hands and crossed the Atlantic to Doane's collection in 1889.

"The two works have been played regularly by great pianists since Mozart's time and he himself performed the 'Fantasia' in 1789. They contain some of his most moving music in the minor key."

The works were written in 1784 and 1785 when Mozart was in his late 20's.

-30- 2343

#90276d2120 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (OCT. 3) - Chittagong tea was briskly traded in this week's auction, mainly because of strong participation by the Soviet Union, China and Iran, the official BSS news agency said here Wednesday.

East European countries and Pakistan also competed strongly in the auction, the agency said.

It said Pakistan absorbed all leaf grade priced between 79 and 79.50 taka

(2.25 and 2.27 U.S. dollars) per kilo offered for sale.

The agency said few popular brokens were sold between 62 and 63.20 taka (1.77 and 1.80 dollars) per kilo.

Traders put up 26,430 chests and 500 paper bags of tea for sale in the auction with few withdrawals, BSS said.

-30- 812

#90276d2130 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 3) - Indonesia could become a major diamond producer in Asia if it moved to tap its vast diamond resources, the Belgium-based Diamond High Council (HRD) said Wednesday.

Given its large diamond reserves, Indonesia could become the region's second-largest diamond producer after Australia, surpassing China, which has already started tapping its reserves, HRD President Abraham Fischler said.

Mr. Fischler heads a mission of the HRD and Antwerp diamond companies, here to discuss the potential for cooperation with Indonesia.

Indonesia also has the labor resources and capability as well as the market needed to develop diamond-based jewelry, Mr. Fischler said.

Some 30 companies with the mission had already started discussions about forming joint ventures with local firms in diamond mining, he said.

The Belgian city of Antwerp is Europe's diamond centre and one of the world's largest with total turnover of 14.6 billion dollars last year.

Indonesia currently has a small diamond-mining industry, tapping alluvial deposits in southern Kalimantan and catering for the local jewelry industry.

"What they do now is merely skimming the top of the milk," said HRD chief gemologist Mark van Bockstael, adding that experts believed reserves might also be found in southern Sumatra or Irian Jaya.

-30- 1520

#90276d2170 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (Oct 3 (AFP) - Malaysia's cocoa production is expected to increase by 12.3 percent to 273,000 tons during the current season, the Federal Agricultural Marketing Authority (FAMA) said Wednesday.

FAMA chairman Annuar Musa said the increase would come from higher yields and a larger area under cultivation. Most of Malaysia's cocoa is grown by smallholders with government support.

Output during the season from October 1989 to the end of last month totalled 243,000 tons, he said.

Mr. Annuar said cocoa exports were expected to rise to 178,000 tons next year compared to 169,000 tons this year.

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#90276d2290 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT. 3) - Effective with German unification, the European Community's rules of competition also apply to enterprises in what is formerly East Germany, the E.C. Commission said Wednesday.

The Commission said that a three-month period would be granted, however, to rescind or end previous business transactions or commitments which countervailed E.C. competition rules.

But after that, all transactions involving business enterprises in the five states of the eastern part of Germany would be prohibited if found to violate E.C. monopoly and unfair practices rules, the Commission said.

It added that the new E.C. regulations concerning monopolies which took effect on September 21 also take immediate effect for the former East Germany.

-30- 955

#90276d2320 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAMPALA (OCT. 3) - The presidents of Rwanda and Uganda have met in Washington to review the situation in Rwanda following attacks on border villages by Rwandan refugees, Radio Uganda said Wednesday.

The broadcast said Rwanda President Juvenal Habyarimana asked the Ugandan leader, Yoweri Museveni, for close cooeration to contain the situation.

''The two leaders agreed to work closely and to keep in constant touch to solve the problem. They further agreed that the problem should be resolved politically,'' Radio Uganda said.

Museveni briefed Habyarimana on the steps taken by the Uganda government to prevent its territory from being used as a staging point for attacks on Rwanda the broadcast added.

It was the second meeting between the two leaders, who first discussed Sunday's attacks on the fringe of the World Summit for Children in New York.

Reports from Rwanda said the attackers had crossed over the Ugandan border in the hilly tract around Mirama, 450 kilometres south-west of Kampala, near

where the Rwandan, Ugandan and Tanzanian borders converge.

Some 87,000 Rwandan refugees have been living for the past three decades in camps in south-west Uganda. They had fled from tribal conflict between the Hutus and the Tutsis.

-30- 1464

#90276d2410 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (OCT. 3) - To the pealing of bells and the playing of the national anthem on the radio, a six-pound baby boy was delivered here at midnight Tuesday as the two Germanys united, a hospital spokesman reported.

The boy, named Jakob, was delivered by Caesarian section. His mother is a 28-year-old nurse from Berlin.

-30- 482

#90276d2490 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 3) - The hijackers of the plane which crashed Tuesday in Guangzhou, leaving some 130 people dead, dealt a severe blow to a government desperate to prove that China is stable after last year's bloody suppression of pro-democracy protests.

The trickle of official information about the incident cannot hide the authorities' efforts at a cover-up nor "the sheer incompetence shown by the security services," diplomats said here.

The government's concern is especially great given its hopes of seeing an end to sanctions imposed on China after the army crushed pro-democracy demonstrations here in June, 1989.

China's support for United Nations resolutions on the Gulf crisis and its apparently positive role in efforts to bring peace to Cambodia have in recent months improved its standing in the world community, analysts said.

More immediately, the government is anxious to see the two-week Asian Games, which close here Monday, take place without incident and so prove beyond question that the country is stable once more.

According to the official version carried by the New China News Agency (NCNA) and repeated in all the press without comment or addition, a Boeing 737 en route to the southern city of Guangzhou from Xiamen was hijacked early Tuesday.

The civil aviation authorities told the pilot to land "in China or elsewhere, so as to ensure the safety of the passengers."

As the plane came in to land at Guangzhou's Baiyun airport, NCNA said

something "abnormal" happened and it crashed, colliding with two other planes, one empty and one full waiting for take-off clearance.

(In Guangzhou, an airport official said Wednesday 132 people had died in the disaster.)

A later NCNA report, datelined Guangzhou, maintained the death toll at 127.

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#90276d2530 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN (SAUDI ARABIA) OCT. 3 - The Gulf crisis and surge in oil prices could lead Saudi Arabia to increase its orders for British military equipment under the Al Yamamah project, Britain's largest ever export contract, British MP's and British Aerospace (BAE) officials said here Wednesday.

The members of the British parliament and BAE officials also dismissed during a press conference reports that Saudi Arabia was considering cancelling orders for Tornado aircraft as part of the multi-billion dollar deal.

"There is no question of cancellation," said Michael Colvin, the head of the delegation of six members of the Conservative parliamentary aviation committee. "An increase must be on the cards."

The first phase of the Al Yamamah project, signed in 1986, involves the sale of Tornado, Hawk and PC-9 aircraft to Saudi Arabia and the design and construction of a four billion pound (7.5 billion dollars) military air base in the kingdom.

Fifty of the 72 Tornado aircraft to be sold to Saudi Arabia under the first phase of the deal have already been delivered as have 30 Hawk advanced training planes.

-30- 1320

#90276d2650 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 3) - Indonesia had a trade surplus of 94 million dollars in July, Information Minister Harmoko said Wednesday.

Mr. Harmoko said exports totalled 1.792 billion dollars in July against imports of 1.698 billion dollars.

Indonesia had a trade surplus of 32.3 million dollars in June and 826 million dollars in July 1989, according to official figures.

Trade officials said the monthly trade surplus had tended to be lower this year because of rising imports while exports had not grown as impressively as last year.

Mr. Harmoko also said the monthly inflation figure for September was 0.51 percent, bringing the cumulative increase in the consumer price index to 8.8 percent since January.

Inflation ran at 5.97 percent in the whole of 1989.

The government has taken a series of steps, including tightening the money supply, in a bid to control the inflation rate.

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#90276d2730 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PHNOM PENH (OCT. 3) - The East German Embassy here has closed for business but the new German government will keep its options open for at least three months on whether to set up a mission in Cambodia, the former charge said Wednesday.

"Yesterday (Tuesday), I officially finished my mission here as charge d'affaires," with a farewell banquet, Gernot Taufmann said.

He added, however, that the reunited Germany that came into being Wednesday would make a firm decision on whether to permanently close the mission within the next three months.

This would give both sides time to consider the matter from "every angle."

Mr. Taufmann, who said he would remain in an unofficial capacity here to deal with technical issues, added that the same applied to the Cambodian mission in East Berlin.

The premises, furniture, documents and staff of both missions in the two cities would be protected by diplomatic immunity.

West Germany did not recognise the government here, but a visiting West German MP said in August that some sort of a mission, though not at ambassadorial level, would be maintained in Phnom Penh under a United Germany.

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MONROVIA (OCT. 3) - Fighting let up in the Liberian capital early Wednesday

after a night of heavy shelling by West African peacekeeping troops against rebel positions.

Agence France-Presse correspondents on the scene reported sporadic artillery fire, apparently against Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) positions in the nearly-deserted city center Wednesday.

The 6,000-strong peacekeeping force (ECOMOG) launched a major offensive overnight Monday and early Tuesday, driving the rebels back on two fronts north and east of the city center.

Since late Tuesday, ECOMOG troops from Nigeria, Ghana, Guinea, Sierra Leone and the Gambia advanced one kilometer (half a mile) closer to Gardnersville, a district north of capital near the port where the peacekeeping force is based.

An unidentifed airplane flew high over the Liberian capital Wednesday firing its cannon out of range of NPFL positions, the AFP correspondents reported.

Monrovia's eastern sector appears to be ECOMOG's primary objective, since control of the area would enable the peacekeeping force to cut the supply lines of the NPFL forces in the capital, forcing them to withdraw.

Correspondents reported late Tuesday that the NPFL has attempted to fight back with its own artillery, but its 105 mm recoilless cannons have been outclassed by the higher caliber ECOMOG artillery pieces, which are manned by trained personnel.

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#90276d2990 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Colombo (OCT. 3) - Rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam are strengthening their positions around two big military camps in northern Sri Lanka, defence sources said Wednesday.

The sources said the rebels were deploying reinforcements and digging trenches near Palaly and Kankesanthurai army camps , indicating they wer preparing an attack.

The move comes a week after the army withdrew from the Jaffna Fort camp, which had been under siege for three months by the rebels, who aare fighting for an independent homeland for the minority Tamils.

In a related development, the defence ministry said the rebels were forcibly conscripting tamils and taking them to operational areas. It claimed more than 7,000 youths had been conscripted. dpa ms 031453 okt 90

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#90276d3200 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (OCT. 3) - Portuguese President Mario Soares said Wednesday he would seek a second five-year term in elections set for January 13.

Mr. Soares, 66, justified his decision by what he called "a certain political vacuum" in Portugal and a "delicate" international situation which he predicted would have negative repercussions at home.

The president said he remained a "man of the left" although he felt he had fulfilled his mandate "as president of all Portuguese".

Mr. Soares will be able to count on the support of the Socialist Party of which he was leader as well as of the centre-right ruling Social Democratic Party.

Two other candidates have so far officially announced their decision to stand for election: Carlos Carvalho, deputy leader of the communist party and Carlos Marques, a former extreme-left militant who is running on an independent ticket.

Mr. Soares, a long-time opponent of the Salazar dictatorship, spent many years in exile in France where he founded the Socialist Action party, the forerunner of the Socialist Party.

He returned triumphantly to Portugal after the rightwing regime was overthrown and served as prime minister from 1976 to 178 and from 1983 until 1985.

The defeat of the Socialist Party in 1985 legislative polls was a setback for Mr. Soares who nevertheless decided to run for president.

He came second in the first round behind Diego Freitas do Amaral of the right but in the run-off he rallied enough scattered support from other parties to win election.

His relations with Prime Minister Anibal Cavaco Silva of the PSD have been a model of positive coexistence exempt of the rancour that marked a similar French experiment under the conservative prime minister Jacques Chirac.

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#90276d3320 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (OCT. 3) - Italy had a trade surplus of 237 billion lire (200 million dollars) in August against a 491 billion (423 million dollar) deficit in the same month last year despite the effects of the Gulf crisis, it was announced here Wednesday.

The third monthly surplus in a row was achieved despite a 37 percent rise in oil product prices in August as a result of the Gulf crisis, the national

statistics institute said.

The August figures brought the trade deficit for the first eight months of the year to 9,100 billion lire (7.9 billion dollars), down from 13,053 billion (11.35 billion dollars) in the same period of 1989.

August imports totalled 11,272 billion lire (9.8 billion dollars), down 1.7 percent from August 1989, while exports totalled 11,509 billion (10 billion dollars), up 4.8 percent.

The good August showing was la textilue to a good showing in exports of mechanical products, textiles and clothing, the statistics institute said.

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#90276d3370 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 3) - New automobile sales in Japan rose by 5.4 percent in the six months to September to an all-time high of 2.897 million, the Japan Automobile Dealers Association said Wednesday.

It was the third year in a row that sales in the six months to September hit a record, the association said.

Passenger car sales increased by 2.8 percent over the same period last year to 2.078 million, the association said, while those of trucks surged by 12.8 percent to 806,450.

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#90276d3790 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 3) - Trade between Singapore and China should soar when the two countries establish diplomatic relations, the China Daily Wednesday quoted an official from the ministry of foreign economic relations and trade as saying.

The comments in the official English-language newspaper came amid newspaper speculation that the two could Wednesday officially announce the establishment of diplomatic links in New York where their foreign ministers are attending the United Nations General Assembly.

The Chinese authorities have not said when the agreement will be signed and have only said diplomatic relations would be established "before the end of the year."

Singapore had said China first had to re-establish diplomatic links with Indonesia.

This condition was fulfilled when Chinese Prime Minister Li Peng visited both Indonesia and Singapore on a tour of Asia in August.

Trade between Singapore and China last year surged by 27 per cent to 3.2 billion dollars compared to the previous year and Singapore is now China's sixth biggest trading partner.

China and Singapore now have commercial representative offices in each other's country and have signed trade agreements, China Daily said.

It said crude oil was China's fifth biggest export to Singapore, reaching four million tonnes in 1989, and Beijing expected to export more oil to Singapore this year.

Oil price rises caused by the Gulf crisis would also push up the bilateral trade volume, the newspaper said.

Singapore is China's major overseas supplier of electrical products, chemicals vegetable oil, rubber and refined petrol products.

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#90276d4020 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT. 3) - The European Economic Community (EEC) on Wednesday granted five million ECUs (6.5 million dollars) to victims of the Liberian civil war, a European Commission spokesman said.

The assistance, to be delivered through humanitarian organizations such as Medecins sans Frontieres of Belgium, is intended for some 500,000 displaced people within Liberia and another half a million who have become refugees abroad.

The five-million European Currency Unit package is to be shared out as follows: 1.1 million for displaced people in Liberia, 2.25 million for some 250,000 refugees in Guinea, 800,000 for some 150,000 in Ivory Coast, 550,000 for 60,000 in Sierra Leone, and 300,000 ECUs to Ghana to help it repatriate some 34,000 Ghanaians.

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#90276d4030 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 3) - Church women have said that they want polygamy outlawed in South Africa and that this should be written into the constitution according to a statement issued Wednesday.

About 150 black women representing churches and Christian organisations decided at a weekend conference to involve themselves in moves to draw up a new constitution in order to safeguard the interests of women and children, the statement issued by the South African Council of Churches (SACC) said.

They specifically called for the eradication of all tribal traditions which "dehumanise women". They also demanded eradication of the churches' "oppressive attitudes and tendencies" towards women.

They further said that all church land should be desegregated and handed back to the people, saying the church should not own land.

Marriage vows for men and women, they said, should be the same and aimed at promoting equality in marriage.

The state, they said, should support women's co-operatives, subsidise single-parent families, control education, support land development, be solely responsible for health services, and provide for the disabled and mentally ill and child-care facilities.

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#90276d4040 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DRESDEN, GERMANY (OCT. 3) - Pentacon GmbH, the East German maker of Praktica cameras, is to be liquidated by the end of the year, with the loss of 5,600 jobs, the company's chief executive, Gunter Schulzki, told ADN news agency.

The Treuhandanstalt, the trust that is overseeing the privatisation of state firms in former East Germany, decided to wind up Pentacon rather than try to keep the company afloat by reducing the payroll by between 60 and 80 percent, he said.

The trust said Pentacon, without the subsidies that had made it a centrepiece of East Germany's planned economy, had no hope of surviving in the tough market of world camera-making, which is dominated by the Japanese.

"The Cologne Photographic Fair showed that we cannot get the contracts we hoped for," Schulzki was quoted by ADN as saying. ADN is the former official news agency of East Germany.

The liquidation of many other East German industrial giants is expected in the coming weeks as the Treuhandanstalt decides which can adapt to a market economy and which are beyond redemption.

Unemployment in the five Laender states of East Germany that joined the Federal Republic of Germany at midnight Tuesday is estimated to be around 16 percent, and analysts say it could rise to 25 percent before there is an improvement.

In the western part of the country, 5.9 percent of the workforce have no job, Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Tuesday.

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#90276d4060 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SINGAPORE, Oct 3 (AFP) - The price of fuel oil for November delivery surged to 139.10 U.S. dollars per ton on the Singapore International Monetary Exchange (SIMEX) Wednesday after dipping to 134.50 U.S. dollars Tuesday.

Dealers said the uncertain situation in the Gulf was again the cause of the sudden surge after some retreats earlier.

Fuel oil for December delivery closed at 137.60 U.S. dollars a ton.

Dubai crude for December closed at 31.00 U.S. dollars a barrel, slightly up from Tuesday's 30.80 U.S. dollars a barrel.

SIMEX, which deals in currency and gold futures, began trading in oil futures earlier this year.

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#90276d4090 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 3) - The first snowfall of the season came a month early in Moscow Wednesday with the potato harvest still far from over in the outskirts of the Soviet capital.

Rainy weather throughout the autumn has hindered the harvest, to the point at which Moscow city hall called on all Muscovites to help pick the potatoes next Sunday.

Izvestia, a daily paper, said the city would provide 10,000 buses to ferry the city's amateur harvesters to the potato fields.

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#90276d4270 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ALGIERS (OCT 3) (AFP) - Algeria will pay off its 600-million-dollar trade arrears by the end of the year with windfall profits from the increase in the price of oil since the Gulf crisis began, Algerian Economy Minister Ghazi Hidouci said here on Wednesday.

The price of Algerian oil has risen from 15 dollas per barrel in June to 43 dollars paid for the last cargo loaded in Arzew last week.

The debts involved are trade debts owed by public or private Algerian companies that had come to term and had not been honoured.

"These are the debts we recognise as being due," the minister said. "This is a strategic objective and the first axis of improvement of Algeria's finances."

Mr. Hidouci said that he was expecting a surplus of between 700 million and 800 million dollars based on an average price of 26 dollars per barrel.

Energy and Industry Minister Sadek Boussena said that if the price of oil was at or above 30 dollars per barrel, the surplus would be about two billion dollars.

Mr. Hidouci said that whatever the surplus, it would be used primarily to improve the state of Algerian finances and to strengthen the reserves of the central bank. This would accelerate economic reforms which were under way and would facilitate moves towards making the dinar convertible.

He said that from June 1991 Algeria should regain its AAA credit rating, and said that negotiations to raise two billion dollars to finance economic reforms were being held with several banks, notably French banks, and with other institutions.

Algeria is negotiating refinancing of trade debt payments of two billion dollars per year during the next two years.

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#90276d4300 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (OCT. 3) - About 9,000 opponents to German unity demonstrated in the centre of Berlin Wednesday, chanting "Shut your mouth Germany, that's enough," and "Germany -- never again."

The protesters, flanked by a large police continent, headed for the Alexanderplatz, the largest square in East Berlin.

Many of them waved flags of the German Democratic Republic, which was dissolved at midnight Tuesday, and handed out Communist leaflets.

Eleven people were held on suspicion of carrying weapons, police said.

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#90276d4420 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
EDINBURGH (OCT 3) - The Bank of Scotland said Wednesday that its taxable profit rose nine percent in the six months to August to 105.5 million pounds (199 million dollars) from 96.9 million (182 million dollars).

The increase came despite a slowdown in the British economy and was in line with market forecasts of profit of between 90 million and 114 million pounds.

Before exceptional charges on non-paid Third World loans, the profit was down four percent from the same period in 1989 when the bank showed a profit of 109.5 million pounds before provisions of 12.6 million.

Since the beginning of the year the Scottish bank, like its English counterparts, has sharply increased its provisions for non-Third World loans to 68 million pounds (128 million dollars) from 32.7 million (61.6 million dollars).

But it managed to keep its profits looking good thanks to a recovery of the North Sea oil industry and the healthy state of the Scottish electronics and whisky industries.

Interim dividend was set at two pence, up from 1.45, while earnings per share rose 12 percent to 8.3 pence from 7.4.

Bank of Scotland shares, which have recently entered the Footsie index of 100 leading stocks on the London market, were up two pence at 109 in mid-session trading following he news.

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#90276d4470 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Khartoum (OCT. 3) - Colonel Martin Malual Arop, one of three southern Sudanese in the 15-man revolution command council now ruling Sudan, called on Pope John Paul Ii to support a peace initiative presented last week to the government and the Sudan People's Liberation Army (Spla) by southern Sudanese politicians.

Arop made the call in a meeting here Wednesday with the Vatican's ambassador to Sudan. The Sudan News Agency (Suna) reported that the pontiff's representative promised to convey the appeal to the Vatican.

Southern Sudanese politicians held a one-month conference in Khartoum under the auspices of the government to formulate a southern viewpoint about the best way to end the civil war.

At the end of the conference last week, they came up with a peace proposal calling for a ceasefire to create a conducive atmosphere for the resumption of peace talks between the government and the Spla.

In an address to last weekend's world summit conference on children in New York, the chairman of the revolution command council, General Omar Beshir,

declared a ceasefire to allow the vaccination of children in the war-affected areas. The Spla has rejected the unilateral ceasefire.

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#90276d4520 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT 3) - International press baron Robert Maxwell has said he will

sell television assets held by his Mirror Group Newspapers (MGN), as part of a plan to reduce the debt burden facing his publishing empire's flagship Maxwell Communications Corporation (MCC).

City commentators saw the programme, previewed by Mr. Maxwell in MCC's annual general meeting in mid-September, as evidence that the company's 1.9 billion pound (3.6 billion dollar) debt was becoming difficult to handle.

Some 415 million dollars of MCC debt is due for repayment at the end of this month.

Shares in MCC were down 5 pence at 145 pence Wednesday afternoon following details of the sale plans released late Tuesday night.

The reshuffling plans, part of a programme which Mr. Maxwell has said will raise 800 million dollars, were announced as another of the world's media moguls Rupert Murdoch announced the merger of four of his Australian newspapers into two in an attempt to cut costs.

Mr. Murdoch's perceived liquidity crisis has caused a dramatic slide in the share price of his Australian flagship News Corporation, and his problems are seen as a manifestation of the difficulties facing the media world in the current tough economic climate.

Mr. Maxwell's planned sales will provide MGN with funds to buy assets held by MCC, in a restructuring which MGN's flamboyant Czech-born proprietor said would return the newspaper-based concern to "100 percent pure publishing".

The television assets for sale include 20 percent of Britain's Central Independent Television, 12.5 percent of the French TF1 chain, 51 percent of the pan-European Music TV Europe (MTV), and other interests in British cable television.

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#90276d4570 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAGUA (OCT. 3) - Eight former contra rebels and two policemen died and an army major was kidnapped in fighting in the northern Nicaraguan town of Waslala, according to local press reports Wednesday.

The daily Barricada, the official newspaper of the formerly ruling Sandinista Front, said the clash erupted Tuesday when about 100 well-armed men identified as former contras tried to take over Waslala, 280 kilometers (180 miles) north of here.

The Interior Ministry confirmed that there had been fighting in Waslala and said a detailed report on the incident would be issued later in the day.

According to Barricada, the guerrillas abducted army Major Mauro Ortega and two police officers during the fighting.

Two Roman Catholic priests in Waslala told the daily the former contras gave them half an hour to leave town and then vandalized the town church and stole 5,000 dollars.

The former U.S-backed contras - some 13,000 combatants - officially surrendered their weapons after President Violeta Chamorro was sworn in last April 28.

She took over from the leftist Sandinista National Liberation Front which had ruled the country since 1979.

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#90276d4650 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT 3) - British ferry company Sealink, recently acquired by Stena of Sweden, said Wednesday it planned to axe 850 jobs and invest 178 million pounds (335 million dollars) in a sweeping rationalisation plan.

Sealink's main aim was to invest in new ships, new port facilities, new routes and new systems, the company said.

Ferry operators have been carrying out major investments recently to face up to competition from the cross-Channel tunnel when it opens in 1993.

The restructuring will mean the loss of 850 jobs, but in the long-term the investment programme should create some 800 jobs, leaving a net loss of only 50.

The company currently employs 6,000 people.

Sealink will invest 75 million pounds in new ferries for its Dover to Calais and Folkestone to Boulogne services, but axe 320 of the 1,400 jobs in this sector.

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#90276d4670 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (OCT. 3) - Swedish financier Sven-Olof Johansson said Wednesday he controlled 19 percent of Catena, a Swedish auto retail network in which Volvo holds a 49 percent stake, at a time when he is also buying up Volvo shares on the market.

Mr. Johansson had earlier this year built up a 19 percent capital stake in Sweden's second largest auto maker, Saab-Scania, giving him 22 percent of voting rights.

Saab's main shareholder, the Wallenberg group, then bought the shares back for more than four billion kroner (700 million dollars) to avoid having to give Mr. Johansson a seat on the board.

Mr. Johansson controlled 13 percent of Catena capital as of the beginning of September, and has further increased his stake in recent weeks as prices fall on the Stockholm market.

He said Wednesday that through his property company Barkman ha now controlled 19 percent of Catena capital.

Mr. Johansson also indicated that he had been buying Volvo shares on the market and now held about a one per cent stake, but stressed that this could not be compared with his operation in relation to Saab.

"My purchases of Volvo shares are not comparable with my operation on Saab and I am only buying shares without voting rights," he said.

He said Volvo shares were currently under-valued and he was expecting the price to rise.

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#90276d4710 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (OCT 3) - German unification was also consummated at the United Nations on Wednesday.

Seventeen years after the Germanys joined the world organisation, the nameplate in the General Assembly hall read ''Germany'', replacing the nameplates ''Germany, Federal Republic Of'' and ''German Democratic Republic''.

The president of the General Assembly, Maltese Foreign Minister Guido de Marco welcomed Germany ''as a sovereign and equal nation to our organisation'' and said unification was a ''harbinger of hope for the future''.

Germany's ambassador to the U.N., Hans Otto Braeutigam, who was greeted with long applause by the other delegates, said Germany would ''actively and energetically'' continue its policies in the U.N.

With the unification of the Germanys, the U.N.'s membership, which had risen to 160 when Liechtenstein joined recently, dropped back to 159.

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#90276d4820 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (OCT 3) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev will visit Germany in the first half of November to sign a treaty of cooperation with German

Chancellor Helmut Kohl, government sources said here Wednesday.

The officials said the date of the visit had yet to be set.

November 9 marks the first anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall, analysts noted.

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#90276d4830 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STRASBOURG, France (OCT 3) - The Gulf crisis could cost the Organisation of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) countries 30 billion dollars over a year, OECD secretary general Jean-Claude Paye said here Wednesday.

The figure was based on an average oil price of 25 dollars a barrel, Mr. Paye said.

"While the outlook in the summer was sunny, the autumn is beginning in doubt," he told the Council of Europe.

"The shadow of war, which seemed to have been buried under the rubble of the Berlin Wall, is reappearing on the horizon."

Describing the Gulf crisis as a "political, economic and financial shock," Mr. Paye said it had led him to revise forecasts for OECD economic prospects.

Annual growth over the next three months, previously forecast at around three percent, should now be revised downwards by between a half and one per cent, and inflation could hit 5.5 percent instead of initial estimates of 4.5.

Mr. Paye stressed that there was currently no imbalance on the oil market and that price rises in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2 were "almost wholly due to speculative activities."

The International Energy Agency (IEA) has estimated that oil consumption in industrialised countries will fall by half a million barrels a day during the fourth quarter of this year.

Mr. Paye forecast a new boost for energy policy, particularly in seeking new energy sources, and urged OECD members to pass on oil price rises to consumers, and to adopt strong budget and monetary policies.

He also urged them to look at the impact which oil price rises, a slowdown in economic activity and a likely rise in central European interest rates, would have on Eastern European countries and developing nations.

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#90276d4870 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Accra (OCT. 3) - A nigerian merchant ship, River Oli, docked at the Tema port some 25 kilometres east of here Wednesday with about 10,000 refugees from war-torn Liberia, the Ghana News Agency reported.

It said most of the refugees were Ghanaians but there were also Nigerians on board.

Gna quoted the captain of the ship, S.O. Olarewaji, as saying four babies aged between two and 15 months and an elderly man died during the two-day sea voyage which started at dawn on Monday.

Four babies were also born during the voyage but one died, Olarewaji said.

He said there were about 200 people still left at the port because he was ordered to sail at 0400 Gmt on Monday instead of the original time of 1800 Gmt on Wednesday.

Refugees have been fleeing Liberia because of the continued fighting and lack of food and medical facilities.

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#90276d4930 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (OCT 3) - The Dalai Lama, exiled spiritual leader of Tibet, arrived in Berlin Wednesday ahead of a meeting Thursday with the president of united Germany, Richard von Weizsaecker, presidential spokesman Gernot Fritz said.

He described the meeting in Mr. Weizsaecker's official residence of Bellevue mansion, as a "private conversation."

The 65-year-old Buddhist leader is campaigning for an end to the China's 40-year occupation of Tibet.

He lives in exile in India, having fled the country in Tibet after Chinese troops crushed a rebellion.

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#90276d5710 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (OCT 3) - A demonstration against German unification by about 10,000 leftists ended in rioting Wednesday.

Eyewitnesses reported that masked protesters pelted police with stones and bottles at the city's central Alexanderplatz. Police used truncheons, water cannons and tear gas in an attempt to restore order.

The protest march began peacefully. But after it ended at about 1715 Gmt,

demonstrators began throwing stones at the Hotel Stadt Berlin, breaking several windows and injuring one of the hotel's guests.

Windscreens of nearby autos were smashed and at least one auto was set on fire. Several hundred protesters continued through the streets, breaking store windows as they went.

During police checks in the Kreuzberg district prior to the demonstration - held under the motto ''Shut your mouth, Germany, enough is enough'' - 50 people were taken into temporary custody. Police reported confiscating Molotov cocktails, automobile jacks and spanners.

Seventy Turkish youths armed with slats, who separated from the crowd shortly after the demonstration began, were arrested at Kottbusser Gate.

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#90276d6100 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT 3) - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher Wednesday hailed the birth of a new Germany in talks with German ambassador Hermann von Richthofen at her official residence here.

She heard the "the sounds of 'jubilation and joy' from Berlin" when Germans were celebrating the reunification of their country Mrs. Thatcher said, adding, "It clearly was a great dawn for Germany."

"We do welcome the new Germany as we welcomed the old Germany, which has been a true ally in NATO, a true partner in Europe and a friend", she said.

Mrs. Thatcher met with the German envoy for 35 minutes of talks after an official unification reception at Banquet Hall in Whitehall.

Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd earlier welcomed the unification of the two Germanies but also pointed to the many difficulties ahead.

The government confirmed Sir Christopher Mallaby, the British envoy to West Germany, as its ambassador to the united Germany.

Sir Christopher is to reside in Bonn pending a German parliamentary decision on whether to move the seat of government from Bonn to Berlin.

Britain's ambassador to East Germany, Patrick Eyres, has been recalled after the closure of the embassy.

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#90276d6200 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (OCT. 3) - An aircraft carrying 105 Pakistani passengers left here

Wednesday, the seventh plane in an airlift ordered by United Arab Emirates President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahyan, Wampress reported.

A red Crescent team is supervising the airlift operation to take Pakistani and Bangladesh refugees home from Kuwait.

The agency said the refugees expressed thanks for Sheikh Zayed's gesture and said they would never forget the attitude of the Uae.

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#90276d6540 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (OCT 3) - An Iraqi campaign to oust Western military forces from Saudi Arabia could be thwarted by a tentative Saudi-Iranian rapprochement and an agreement on the Moslem pilgrimage.

The foreign ministers of Iran and Saudi Arabia, Ali Akbar Velayati and Prince Saud al-Faisal, have both expressed the willingness of their governments to consider normalizing diplomatic relations, which were severed in 1988.

Iran's mission to the United Nations said this week that the ministers had agreed at a meeting in New York that obstacles to Iran's participation in the annual pilgrimage to holy sites in Saudi Arabia would be lifted.

But no further details were provided.

Saudi Arabia broke off relations with Iran in April 1988 in a lingering row over incidents at the Mecca pilgrimage the previous year in which 402 people died, most of them Iranian pilgrims.

After the deaths, Riyadh imposed a quota on the number of pilgrims each country would be allowed to send. But Iran rejected its quota, which would have reduced the number of Iranian pilgrims from the normal 150,000 to 45,000.

Iranian authorities also objected to a Saudi ban on political demonstrations during the pilgrimage.

Faced with mounting international isolation following its August 2 invasion of Kuwait, Iraq had hoped to win the support of its erstwhile Gulf war foe Iran in a drive against U.S. and Western forces stationed in Saudi Arabia.

Saudi authorities after the Iraqi seizure of Kuwait sought international assistance against a feared attack by Iraq.

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#90276d6680 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (OCT 3) - Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister

Eduard Shevardnadze reached an agreement in principle on reducing conventional forces in Europe, Baker announced late Wednesday.

Emerging from talks with Shevardnadze, Baker told reporters the two had reached ''a fairly far-reaching and broad'' agreement governing the ''reduction and destruction of significant amounts of weapons'' in Europe.

He said several points still needed to be worked out, and that U.S. allies would have to be consulted.

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#90276d7060 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (OCT 3) - President George Bush Wednesday presided over a ceremony in the White House rose garden celebrating German reunification, and signed a proclamation making October 3 "German-American Day."

Before a group of personalities involved in German-American relations, Mr. Bush said he had telephoned German Chancellor Helmut Kohl to convey his "congratulations for this wonderful moment."

Mr. Bush said he had videotaped a television message for the German people, conveying America's best wishes for their reunification.

"We Americans, and above all those of German descent, are proud of the role we have played in support of German unity," Mr. Bush said in a brief statement.

"The goal Americans and Germans have long shared: a united, democratic et sovereign Germany," had finally materialized, he said.

"Today Germany is at peace with its neighbors and, on this day of german unity at peace with itself," Mr. Bush added.

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#90276d7080 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT 4) - The Philippine military went on full alert Thursday, hours after a small group of rebel soldiers seized a military camp in Mindanao island and captured the camp commander, the armed forces chief said.

An undetermined number of infantrymen from the army's 4th division broke into the 402nd Brigade headquarters (eds: correct) in the southern city of Butuan at about midnight Wednesday, General Renato de Villa said.

The rebels, led by an army major, took hostage the brigade commander, identified only as a Colonel Galon, and cut off communication to higher level command, he said over radio station DZRH here.

He said he did not know if there were casualties in the lightning operation, which occurred hours after the military high command denied local news reports that they had uncovered a new coup attempt against President Corazon Aquino.

He said the high command checked the situation in other parts of the Philippines shortly after the takeover, and "so far no other untoward incidents have taken place," he added.

"We declared a red alert last night and warned our field commanders and men to maintain order and prevent a repetition of the Butuan incident to their units " Gen. de Villa said.

The armed forces of the Philippines is united except the group in Butuan, and responding correctly to all our orders," he said, urging the civilian population to remain calm.

He said he has ordered commercial flights and shipping to certain parts of Mindanao temporarily stopped.

"This rebellion is a big mistake and could endanger those they are sworn to protect," he said.

"This will never be tolerated by the majority of the armed forces," he added.

About five hours after the Butuan camp seizure, a bomb exploded at the water pumping station of the Fort Bonifacio army headquarters in suburban Manila, causing slight damage but no casualties, Gen. de Villa said.

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#90276d7550 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TURIN (OCT. 4) - A specialist subsidiary of Fiat is to cooperate with the U.S. firm Westinghouse and Japan's Mitsubishi Heavy Industries on the development of new gas turbine generators for power plants, the Italian company announced here on Wednesday.

A statement issued by the Fiat company, Fiatavio, said each partner would concentrate on different parts of the project.

Fiatavio has been producing gas turbines here under license from Westinghouse for the past 30 years.

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#90276d7600 10/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 4) - Two unidentified planes Thursday bombed a Philippines military camp in a southern island where a rebellion is taking place, radio station DZXL reported here.

Twenty-two bombs fell on Camp Pintoy Suarez army camp in Iligan City, the station said.

There were no immediate reports of casualties, nor was it clear whether Philippines military personnel or rebels were piloting the planes.

Rebels seized a military camp in Butuan City on the same island of Mindanao late Wednesday.

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#90276e0012 10/03/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Berlin (OCT. 3) EFE - Police arrested 50 troublemakers during Wednesday's unification celebrations in Berlin, in which thousands of Germans marked the birth of a united Germany with an overnight frenzy of merrymaking, officials said.

They said police dispersed several hundred protesters who attempted to surround the Schauspielhaus theater in Berlin's former eastern zone, where Chancellor Helmut Kohl was among dignitaries attending a concert of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony.

In the western Kreuzberg district, a policeman was slighly wounded when he was attacked by a mob of mainly Turkish youths, and an arson attack against a car showroom was reported in the same neighborhood.

Police also fired shots in the air to prevent people from being trampled by crowds pressing at barricades set up around the Reichstag building, where an enormous German flag was hoisted at midnight to mark the end of 41 years of partition.

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#90276e0017 10/03/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (OCT. 3) EFE - The Spanish Foreign Ministry continued efforts Wednesday to track down an official who had volunteered to stay on at Madrid's embassy in war-torn Liberia and who has not been heard of for several weeks.

Embassy official Francisco Javier Molins said he would continue to man the embassy in Monrovia after the ambassador and a group of Spaniards who had taken refuge in the mission decided to return to Madrid August 15.

After the Spanish Foreign Ministry failed to receive news from Molins for several weeks, Madrid's embassy in Senegal asked a group of journalists who were to travel to Liberia to try to contact the official.

On their return, the reporters said the Spanish embassy in Monrovia had been

sacked and the radio with which Molins contacted the outside world had been destroyed.

There was no sign of the official.

The Foreign Ministry has asked staff at the British and U.S. embassies in Monrovia, the only diplomatic missions believed to remain open, to help search for Molins.

Spanish press reports said Wednesday that the embassy may have been raided by Liberian National Patriotic Front (NPF) rebels searching for either food supplies or for members of the rival Krahn tribe which supported assassinated president Samuel Doe.

Molins had volunteered to stay on at the mission to offer protection to some 30 members of this tribe who had taken refuge there.

NPF rebels, a rival rebel group and a West African peace-keeping force are all fighting for control of Liberia.

Direct communications with the African country are almost impossible, according to Spanish Foreign Ministry officials.

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#90276e0023 10/03/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (OCT. 3) EFE - Four Iraqi diplomats, expelled by the Spanish government, headed for home Wednesday, Iraqi embassy officials said.

The four left Madrid on a plane belonging to the Royal Jordanian Airline, accompanied by Iraqi Religious Affairs Minister Abdullah Fadhel, who was in transit through Spain, the sources said.

Two of the four, Abdul Kabhim Mushin and Sadoun Abdul Aziz Ali, held the rank of third secretary. Mushin was in charge of consular affairs.

The other two, Ahmad Mishaw and Shems Aldin Ali, had not received diplomatic accreditation from Spain when the decision was taken to expel them.

On September 17, the 12-nation European Community agreed to expel Iraq's military attaches after Iraqi troops raided several EC embassies in Kuwait.

Baghdad had no military attache in Spain but Spanish Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez's government said it decided to expel the four on the basis of information about their activities.

Iraq responded to the EC move by expelling several EC diplomats, including the Spanish military attache in Baghdad, Col. Arturo Vinuesa, and his aide,

Francisco Pariente.

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#90276e0043 10/03/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NICOSIA (OCT. 3) EFE - French President Francois Mitterrand arrived Wednesday in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) on the first leg of a surprise visit to the crisis-torn Gulf, Arab radio stations, monitored in the Cypriot capital, reported.

Mitterand is to meet UAE head of state Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahayan for talks on the Gulf conflict, which was sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The French president is to visit Saudi Arabia Thursday where he is due to hold talks on the crisis with King Fahd and to inspect French troops deployed in the Red Sea port of Yanbu and other parts of the kingdom.

A presidential spokesman said Wednesday that Mitterrand, commander-in-chief of the Armed Forces, is also to hold a meeting on the situation in the Gulf with French military commanders on board a frigate and visit several units of soldiers.

Mitterrand, who is being accompanied by Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement and Foreign Minister Roland Dumas, is also to visit Oman and Egypt.

The French president's visit to Saudi Arabia will come after the arrival Wednesday of an additional 1,200 French troops trained in chemical warfare to join the some 4,000 already deployed in the kingdom.

Eight Mirage fighter planes also arrived there Wednesday.

France, one of the first countries to send troops to the Gulf following Iraq's invasion of its neighbor, has also deployed nine warships in the area including the aircraft carrier Clemenceau, which Mitterrand is expected to visit.

Mitterrand last week surprised fellow Western leaders by proposing talks on the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, and the presence of Syrian troops in Lebanon, if Iraq agreed to back down.

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#90276e0063 10/03/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NEW YORK (OCT. 4) EFE - Uruguay is to offer to buy back most of its own foreign debt to private banks in negotiations on debt reduction and new loans with international creditor banks Thursday, Uruguayan President Luis Alberto Lacalle said.

Lacalle, speaking in New York to U.S. businessmen and bankers, said he hoped talks on the 1.8 billion Uruguay owes to commercial banks would yield results before the end of the year.

Uruguay's debt is currently being traded on the secondary market at 48.5 percent of its face value, so the country would be able to redeem its debts at bargain rates.

Lacalle met Monday with William Rhodes, who heads a committee of Uruguay's creditor banks, to discuss the buy-back scheme.

The Uruguayan government has in the past criticized private foreign banks for refusing to grant debt relief to the South American country because of its good reputation for repayment.

Uruguay, which has been a model creditor in a region where debt default is common, allots one third of its dlrs 1.5 billion foreign export earnings to debt servicing each year.

The money owed to private banks forms part of Uruguay's total dlrs 6.7 billion in foreign debt.

During his speech, Lacalle said his country was looking for foreign investment and welcomed moves toward the development of free trade zones in Latin America.

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#90276f2038 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 361.01 off 8.83.

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#90276h0174 10/03/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 3) XINHUA - INDIA, WHOSE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS HAS BEEN AFFECTED BY GULF CRISIS, WILL GET AT LEAST 1 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS ASSISTANCE FROM THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF) UNDER ITS CONTINGENCE COMPENSATORY FINANCING FACILITY (CCFF), LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY.

THE OFFER WAS MADE IN WASHINGTON LAST WEEK BY IMF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE INDIAN DELEGATION, HEADED BY THE FINANCE MINISTER, MADHU DANDAVATE, TO THE IMF-WORLD BANK MEETING, THE REPORTS SAID.

IMF REPRESENTATIVES HAVE TOLD INDIA THAT ITS REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE WILL BE CONSIDERED FAVORABLY AND THAT THE IMF WILL ADOPT A FLEXIBLE APPROACH WHILE

DETERMINING INDIA'S ENTITLEMENT UNDER CCFF.

INDIA HAS PLEADED FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER CCFF TO ENABLE IT TIDE OVER THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROBLEM ARISING OUT OF THE GULF CRISIS. DANDAVATE HAS TOLD THE IMF THAT THE TOTAL ADDITIONAL IMPACT OF THE GULF CRISIS ON INDIA'S BALANCE OF PAYMENTS WOULD BE OVER 2.4 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

THE REPORTS SAID THE IMF WILL NOT IMPOSE ANY CONDITION WHILE SANCTIONING THE CCFF ASSISTANCE TO INDIA. EARLIER THIS YEAR, INDIA HAD OBTAINED ASSISTANCE OF OVER 700 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FROM THE IMF WITHOUT ANY CONDITION. WITH THE CCFF ASSISTANCE, INDIA'S TOTAL DRAWING FROM IMF THIS YEAR MAY GO UP TO 1.7 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

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#90276j0001 10/03/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

(OCT. 3) JOURNAL GRAPHICS - Summarizing the previous day's television programs transcribed by Journal Graphics, Inc.

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The Global Dumping Ground October 2, 1990 (Transcript #101)

The Global Dumping Ground: Bill Moyers hosts this Frontline special report on the growing business of exporting toxic waste to third world nations for disposal or use in industry. Included are segments on two brothers who built a multi million-dollar toxic waste trade, hazardous material recycling in Taiwan and toxic waste dumping in Mexico.

Crossfire (CNN) October 2, 1990 (Transcript #152)

Time to Talk to Saddam Hussein?: Rep. Stephen Solarz of the Foreign Affairs Committee and Professor Cherif Bassiouni, DePaul University Mideast analyst, discuss the possibility and desirability of a negotiated settlement with Saddam Hussein of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Nightline (ABC) October 2, 1990 (Transcript #2442)

Vice President Dan Quayle: The Vice President discusses the new budget agreement, his place in the Bush Administration, his popularity/approval rating as reflected in recent polls and the Persian Gulf crisis.

Larry King Live (CNN) October 2, 1990 (Transcript #141)

Analysis of the Proposed Budget Plan: Stock market analyst Peter Eliades and economist David Hale discuss the budget plan proposed by Congress and the President.

Nova (WGBH) October 2, 1990 (Transcript #1710)

The KGB, the Computer and Me: Cliff Stoll, an unemployed astronomer running computers at Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory in California, sets out to fix a 75-cent accounting error and ends up netting an espionage network in Hannover, Germany, that was selling information to the KGB.

Moneyline (CNN) October 2, 1990 (Transcript #196) Hopes for a peaceful solution to the Middle East crisis help the market improve; community groups and local governments in the Midwest fight company cutbacks; IBM says Big Blue a Long Island computer distributor, was unlawfully using their nickname.

Good Morning America (ABC) October 2, 1990 (Transcript #1122)

Objections to budget compromise; German unification and the map; preview of Quincy Jones documentary; a female mountaineer mascot; Sara Gilbert/Lecy Goranson interview; Willy Brandt interview; a prosthesis that feels; Gelsey Kirkland/Greg Lawrence interview; Patricia Wettig interview.

Donahue October 2, 1990 (Transcript #3043)

Sweethearts Find Each Other After Years Apart: Three couples tell how they were separated after high school, the circumstances of their reunions and how their love survived their separations.

Sally Jessy Raphael October 2, 1990 (Transcript #542)

That Man Is a Cheerleader!: Transsexual Shannon Ireland, born Charles Dougherty, talks about her bout with multiple personality disorder and recent news items on the controversy she caused when she enrolled in high school as a 17-year-old girl and made the cheerleading squad.

Oprah Winfrey Show October 2, 1990 (Transcript #1057)

Quincy Jones: The musician talks about his work with the giants of yesterday and today, his discoveries of new stars, his private life and two daughters and the new documentary about his life and work, Listen Up: The Lives of Quincy Jones.

Donahue October 2, 1990 (Transcript #3046)

The Cast of Empty Nest: Cast members Dinah Manoff, Kristy McNichol, David Leisure, Richard Mulligan, Park Overall and Joel Silverman discuss their NBC

show, their careers and each other.

Geraldo October 2, 1990 (Transcript #794)

Bald Women: Women who are bald, either by choice or due to alopecia, discuss their feelings about being bald and how it has affected their lives.

Inside Corporate America (FNN) October 2, 1990 (Transcript #65)

Sysco Corporation: CEO John F. Woodhouse discusses his company, the largest marketer and distributor of food-service products in the United States. He tells how his company has grown from a $200-million to an almost $7-billion endeavor and how he plans to recession-proof the business in the current weakening economy.

Wednesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Black But Living in a White Body Sally Jessy Raphael: How to Marry Rich Geraldo: Juvenile Jocks: Childhood Lost, Victory Won Oprah Winfrey: Petrified to Get a Divorce

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#90276k0089 10/03/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 3) KYODO - THE BANK OF JAPAN (BOJ) WILL NORMALIZE RELATIONS WITH THE PEOPLE'S BANK OF CHINA BY SENDING ITS HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIALS TO THE COUNTRY FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE JUNE 1989, A CENTRAL BANK SOURCE SAID WEDNESDAY.

PERSONNEL EXCHANGES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED UNDER INTERNATIONAL SANCTIONS SINCE THE MILITARY CRACKDOWN IN BEIJING'S TIANANMEN SQUARE IN JUNE LAST YEAR, WHICH INVOLVED A BAN ON HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIALS' VISITS AND NEW GOVERNMENT AND COMMERCIAL CREDITS.

BEFORE THE SANCTIONS, THE TWO CENTRAL BANKS HAD BEEN EXCHANGING PERSONNEL ANNUALLY.

AKIRA KANNO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE BOJ, AND OTHER SENIOR OFFICIALS WILL VISIT CHINA FROM OCTOBER 15 FOR TALKS WITH THE CHINESE CENTRAL BANK GOVERNOR, LI GUIXIAN, AND OTHER FINANCIAL LEADERS IN THE NATION.

ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE, LI'S PLANNED VISIT TO JAPAN THIS MONTH HAD BEEN CANCELLED APPARENTLY DUE TO THE DELAY IN WORKING OUT CHINA'S EIGHTH FIVE-YEAR ECONOMIC PLAN FOR 1991-1995. THE PLAN IS EXPECTED TO BE SUBMITTED AT THE PLENARY SESSION OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE SLATED FOR LATE THIS MONTH.

MEANWHILE, THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO DECIDED TO CARRY OUT ITS THIRD

LOAN TO CHINA, VALUED AT 810 BILLION YEN FOR THE 1990-1995 FISCAL YEAR. THE LOAN HAD BEEN ALSO SUSPENDED AFTER THE TIANANMEN INCIDENT.

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#90276k0101 10/03/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 3) KYODO - APPLE COMPUTER INC. OF THE UNITED STATES IS TRYING TO TEAM UP WITH TOSHIBA CORP. IN A BID TO DIVERSIFY INTO LOW-PRICED COMMUNICATIONS PRODUCTS, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE SOURCES SAID APPLE SOUGHT LINKAGE WITH TOSHIBA TO DEVELOP PERSONAL COMPUTER TERMINAL COMPONENTS SUCH AS OPTICAL DISKS TO WIN A BIGGER SHARE OF THE PERSONAL COMPUTER BUSINESS BY OFFERING LOW PRICES ON NEW MODELS.

IN LATE SEPTEMBER WHEN JOHN SCULLEY, APPLE'S CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WAS STAYING IN JAPAN, HE EXPRESSED HIS WILLINGNESS TO DEEPEN RELATIONS WITH JAPANESE ELECTRONICS MANUFACTURERS.

TOSHIBA OFFICIALS SAID APPLE HAS COME INTO CONTACT WITH THEM TO SOUND OUT THE POSSIBILITY OF THE DEAL, BUT SAID THEY ARE NOT SURE IF AN AGREEMENT WAS ACTUALLY MADE BETWEEN THE TWO.

IN A SIMILAR MOVE, APPLE IS NOW NEGOTIATING A CONTRACT WITH SONY CORP. TO BUILD ONE OR MORE OF ITS FUTURE PORTABLES, ACCORDING TO THE INDUSTRY SOURCES.

APPLE AND SONY HAVE A WIDE-RANGING BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP, ESPECIALLY ON AN ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURER (OEM) BASIS.

APPLE IS ONE OF SONY'S BIGGEST CUSTOMERS, AND IS CURRENTLY DEVELOPING A PRODUCT THAT BLENDS A MACINTOSH COMPUTER WITH SONY'S AUDIO AND VIDEO EQUIPMENT.

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#90276m0001 10/03/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT 3) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

The EXMI measuring U.S. stocks trading overseas is off 68 cents suggesting a lower opening on Wall Street. ... The Nikkei is flat after yesterday's big gains. ... In London, the FTSE is up 15 points. mixed. ... After opening lower North Sea crude is up 77 cents to $35.10. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports single-family home sales fell 1.4% from July to August to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 550,000. ... GENERAL ELECTRIC says it will eliminate up to 500 jobs from its manufacturing complex in Louisville. ... FREDDIE MAC announces that it will stop buying mortgages on apartment buildings to stem

its heavy losses on such loans. ... CHRYSLER CORP. announced that it expects continued declines in sales levels and operating results in the third quarter.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT is scheduled to release August factory orders at 10 a.m. EDT. Economists are anticipating factory orders to fall 2.9%. ... The FEDERAL OPEN MARKET COMMITTEE begins its two day meeting today. ... FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN testifies before a House subcommittee on deposit insurance reform. ... PRESIDENT BUSH hosts a ceremony in the White House rose garden today to celebrate German reunification. ... ... UNITED AUTO WORKERS president OWEN BIEBER says he thinks a settlement can be reach with FORD by the end of this week.

FROM THE BULLS:

"It's actually very easy to be bullish at this time," says KENNETH HACKEL, president of SYSTEMATIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT. "Stocks have discounted everything ... stocks are very, very cheap right now." Hackel says the free cash multiple on the S&P industrials now stands at 18, lower than in August 1982. Hackel says market has discounted a mild recession comparable to that seen in 1980, but has not discounted a severe recession. (CNN "Business Day", 10/3)

PHILIP BENIZZI, head of OTC trading for DILLON READ & CO., believes that the Tuesday afternoon decline was a temporary consolidation in a continuing correction. "This move [upward] has potential for more firepower." (WSJ, 10/3)

RALPH BLOCH of RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOCIATES thinks the Dow was hurt yesterday by individual stocks, but says, "The good news was the outstanding breadth." He says the market should rally off its lows, partly because he predicts the decline in oil prices will allow the Fed to ease. "But I don't expect to see the market taking off in a straight line up," says Bloch, explaining that an accumulation of several months may be needed. "I expect the Dow to move laterally ... in a 250 point range," concludes Bloch. ("Investor's Daily", 10/3)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The bear market is not over yet" because the Federal Reserve is holding money growth to a slow pace and corporate profits are still sliding, says STEFAN ABRAMS, chief investment strategist at KIDDER, PEABODY. He says the bear market will not end "until the Federal Reserve Board makes a major commitment to stimulate the economy again" by easing monetary policy. He adds that the institutional "predisposition is to raise more cash on rallies." (WSJ and NYT, 10/3)

"It would be very difficult for the market to sustain upward momentum here in the face of" the uncertainty about both the Middle East and the overall economy, says MARY FARRELL of PAINEWEBBER. (CNN "Moneyline", 10/2)

STOCK MARKET:

"When you've had nine years of drinking too much being on the wagon for three weeks doesn't cure you," says DONALD COXE, a portfolio strategist with GORDON CAPITAL in New York. He does not believe that we are in even the early stages of a bull market at this point. Though the small bear rally that was interrupted yesterday may resume, it is a rally in a bear market primarily because there is a major problem in the liquidity of money. He adds, "We are in the early stages of expiating our sins, and we will come out the other side." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/2)

Attempts to rally now could place stocks in a more vulnerable position, says technical analyst BOB NUROCK of "Bob Nurock's Advisory." A strong rally followed by renewed downward reaction is needed to establish a good market bottom, according to Nurock. "Investors still seem relatively optimistic," says Nurock, "The market is likely to react downward further." He believes the impact of any Fed easing will not be as long lasting as hoped: "[Its] difficult to become enthusiastic for more than a reflex rally." (CNBC "World Business", 10/3)

"You had a big day on Friday and very strong momentum carry through Monday so some profit taking was natural," says GLENN CUTLER, editor of "Market Mania." "Anyway, three days don't change a bear market." ("USA Today", 10/3)

"We have had a substantial move [in the market], and people are taking profits at this stage," says RICHARD MEYER, head of equity trading at LADENBURG, THALMANN & CO. He says investors are still bearish on stocks because of the dim economic outlook. (WSJ, 10/3)

"If interest rates can continue to move downward, our projections of future price-earnings ratios in stocks will begin to look a lot better than they have since early August," says strategist CHARLES CASAZZA at COWEN AND CO. ("The Washington Post", 10/3)

The action on Monday and Tuesday "was actually a correction, disguised as a rally," says TIM SCALA of SEQUOR GROUP. He thinks the budget agreement "stinks," and says it is really just a tax hike at a time when the economy can ill afford any further damage. He says the market is afraid the tax portions of the package will be adhered to, but the spending cuts will not be maintained. "The market would really like to see some credibility on the part of Congress, and they have yet to see it," says Scala. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/2)

"Toward the end of the day, people sort of realized they had some short-term

profits and they started to get worried," says JOHN MANLEY of SMITH BARNEY. (CNN "Moneyline", 10/2)

STOCK TIPS:

"I think right now what you want to do is look for the market to head to 2600 [on the Dow] and then you can rethink what you want to do with your portfolios " says DENNIS JARRETT of KIDDER, PEABODY. "If you're a trader, you're buying the leadership that we've seen in the last few years like a WALT DISNEY or McDONALD'S that can bounce very nicely. If you're investment oriented out over the next six to 12 months, you're probably going to be selling some of those same issues ... and you would be looking to be buyers on weakness of some of the energy and the electronic defense [stocks] because they look like they're going to be the sustained one- or two-year leaders of the market." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/3)

Viewing the stock as "overpriced," SALOMON BROTHERS is going against the pact by pulling its buy recommendation for WAL-MART STORES. ROBERT SALOMON JR., the firm's well-know head of research writes: "You could sell Wal-Mart and buy all of its S&P competitors -- SEARS ROEBUCK, WOOLWORTH, J.C. PENNY and KMART -- with enough left over to buy another good-size company, EMERSON ELECTRIC." OPPENHEIMER's EDWARD COMEAU disagrees with this logic. He says, "There is an enormous competitive gap between Wal-Mart and the rest of the retail industry." After ticking off a series of positives, such as Wal- Mart's healthy balance sheet and its capital-spending plans, Mr. Comeau concludes: "You have to almost cut through the fundamental analysis. Wal-mart is a buy." ELIZABETH ARMSTRONG, an analyst with PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN, says Wal-Mart is "one of the few retailers I can think of that people can buy and put away for a long time without having to think about it." (WSJ, 10/3)

DQE, the Pittsburgh area electric utility, has shown earnings increases since 1986 and should see another 10%-15% gain this year, according to ANDREW ADDISON of "The Addison Report." There have been seven insider purchases since December and Addison says previous insider transactions by company executives have been well timed. "It's a very good stock for conservative investors and a way to play the improving bond market," says Addison who believes there's a likelihood of dividend increases. He projects the stock to the high 20s, "once it can get past 23." (FNN "World Business Update", 10/3)

INTERSTATE/JOHNSON LANE recommends stock in HOME DEPOT INC., the Atlanta-based retailer of home improvement products that has 122 stores in 12 states. The brokerage says earnings are expected to grow 35% to 40% in the next few years as the chain completes plans to have 360 stores open by the end of 1994. ("USA Today", 10/3)

"It pays for investors to buy companies with low debt, consistent free cash flow and to be patient," says KENNETH HACKEL, president of SYSTEMATIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT. These companies, says Hackel, will gain market share

during tough economic times. He likes BROWN- FOREMAN, LONG DRUG STORES, VF CORPORATION, MEASUREX, MOBIL and ROYAL DUTCH. He says the greatest value will be with middle capitalization stocks between $400 million and $2 billion. (CNN "Business Day", 10/3)

AUTODESK continues to be plagued by rumors that a long-awaited product will be delayed, but some analysts cite more fundamental reasons for the stocks decline of 4 3/4 yesterday. Mostly as a result of a slowdown in the economy, earnings over "the next few quarters could be slowing," says TIMOTHY McCOLLUM of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. ("Investor's Daily", 10/3)

Country funds have declined 30%-60% since the buying frenzy early this year. Now may be the time to get in, says MICHAEL PORTER at SMITH BARNEY. "Most money in country funds has been made by taking a contrarian view ... selling them when people want them, and buying them when people are exiting them." After selling at an average premium of 31% at the end of January, country funds now sell at an average discount of 17%. Porter says these discounts are comparable to those seen after the 1987 crash. He advises the purchase of any fund selling at a 25% or greater discount. (CNBC "World Business", 10/3)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"The dollar could be in for a hit against the yen once this market wakes up," says SHELDON MATLOW, a New York dealer with STANDARD CHARTERED BANK. He says that all signs are still bullish for Japan and that they are being incorporated into stock prices before finding their way into the currency market. (WSJ, 10/3)

"The focus [among currency traders] is one day on the dollar, the next day on the crosses, and if you have the wrong focus, you can get pretty beat up," says AL SHEALY, New York foreign-exchange manager for UNION BANK OF SWITZERLAND. (WSJ, 10/3)

"Mr. Greenspan actually has set up a condition under which he could ease," says CAROLINE BAUM of TELERATE. "He did say that if the budget negotiators produced a credible and enforceable long-term budget pact and, as I call it, if it received the long-term seal of approval, which means that long rates come down, then at that point he would comply with an easing in the funds rate. And I think that as a man of his word we can expect him to go ahead and do that. Whether they [the Fed] will ease immediately or wait for the budget pact to be voted on or implemented remains to be seen." (FNN "Marketwrap",

10/2)

"What you've got to look for is out over the next three or four weeks if the bond rates continue to head down then I think the Fed can do some easing," says DENNIS JARRETT of KIDDER, PEABODY. "They will follow, they will not lead the rates down. ... Watch what happens with the long-bond yield over the next three or four weeks: That will be the tip-off to what the Fed eventually can do." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/3)

"Yields on long-term bonds have fallen by 30 basis points over the last four days, so by all rights I figured the market would give some of that back or be unchanged," says JAMES CAPRA, a senior vice president at SHEARSON LEHMAN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES. (NYT, 10/3)

"I think we had a classic bear-market rally" in junk bonds, says DAVID FEINMAN a junk bond trader at JEFFRIES & CO. He says the market isn't likely to recover substantially "until we get customers coming in to buy." (WSJ, 10/3)

THE ECONOMY:

"The over-riding fact is: We're still heading into a recession," says GEORGE JENNISON, co-manager of OTC trading for WHEAT FIRST BUTCHER & SINGER. He adds that the financial markets are not forgetting that. (WSJ, 10/3)

"The so-called war premium is being eaten away" from oil prices, says ANN-LOUISE HITTLE, a senior oil analyst with SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "As long as the two main leaders in this crisis remain moderate and don't say anything that's bellicose, no saber-rattling, we see the market weakness," says PETER BEUTEL, an oil analyst with PEGASUS ECONOMETRIC GROUP. ("The Washington Post", 10/3)

"SADDAM HUSSEIN looks to be reaching out for some diplomatic discussion, and this could take some more out of the [oil] market," says TOM BENTZ of UNITED ENERGY INC. ("Investor's Daily", 10/3)

"Last week there was a war premium in the [oil] market," says ANN LOUISE HITTLE of SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. There was a lot of fear that war could break out" or that there would be an escalation of tensions. But she says that calming events over the weekend, "the psychology has changed," and the price of oil has fallen. (CNN "Moneyline", 10/2)

"The fear of war has somewhat dissipated," says ED KEVELSON, oil trader at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "The fact we ran up against $40 [a barrel] and hit it like a brick wall hasturned things around." ("USA Today", 10/3)

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BROOMFIELD, COLO. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - HealthWatch, Inc. (NASDAQ: HEAL) today announced net income of $255,093 or $.11 per share on revenues of $2,669,047 for the year ended June 30, 1990. Some of the major components of the net income were a $1,994,739 consolidation gain, operational losses of $2,252,205 and other income of approximately $500,000. The consolidation gain resulted from a step up in the carrying value of HealthWatch's investment in its Discovery Technologies, Inc. subsidiary due to the sale by Discovery of previously unissued shares of its common stock. The $2,252,205 of operating losses included a $1,468,652 of losses from the Discovery Technologies subsidiary.

This compares to net income of $1,749,692 ($.86 per share) on revenues of $2,503,732 for the year ended June 30, 1989. The income for the year ended June 30, 1989, included a gain from the sale of seven of HealthWatch's eight medical centers to Romed Corp. in December of 1988.

HealthWatch, founded in 1983, is a diversified health care company actively pursuing multiple opportunities in the dynamic $460 billion healthcare industry. In 1988, HealthWatch sold seven of eight medical centers in order to diversify into other areas of the healthcare marketplace. Besides Discovery Technologies Inc., a teleradiology (FilmFax) imaging systems company which was acquired in 1989, HealthWatch continues to operate its original medical center in Boulder Colo., and a medical billing service known as Healthcare Professional Billing. In June, 1990, HealthWatch created a subsidiary, HealthWatch Technologies, Inc., which acquired the assets of the Telemed division of LDG Capital, a 20-year old company which develops electrocardiographic diagnostic equipment for hospitals, clinics and physicians. The company plans to acquire, help manage and develop additional high growth healthcare companies in the next few years.

	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$2,669,047	$2,503,732
Operating Income (Loss)	(2,252,205)	(1,049,764)
Consolidation Gain	1,994,739	----
Gain from Sale of Assets	----	3,095,213
Income Tax Reserve	245,000	845,000
Extraordinary	----	308,000
Net Income	$ 255,093	$1,749,692
Earnings Per Share	$ .11	$ .86
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	2,403,455	2,044,514

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OYSTER BAY, NY (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Acclaim Entertainment, Inc. (NASDAQ: AKLM) today announced an exclusive marketing agreement with Sears to promote its home entertainment products through Sears' "Wish Book" catalog, which reaches more than 12 million consumers nationwide. The effort marks Acclaim's largest direct mail venture ever, and a first for Sears with a Nintendo licensee.

"With approximately one out of four families now owning a Nintendo Entertainment System, we anticipate video game software and peripherals to be a high priority holiday purchase," says Robert Holmes, president of Acclaim. "We think the combination of Acclaim's high profile product lineup and Sears' famous 'Wish Book' catalog will make for a very successful promotion."

The specially designed "Video Game Magic" catalogs exclusively highlight more than 30 different products under the Acclaim and LJN labels, in more than 12 million Sears holiday books recently sent to consumers nationwide. Inspired by Acclaim's successful Masters of the Game newsletter, the "Video Game Magic" insert features information plus playing hints and tips on various Acclaim and LJN video game products, as well as Acclaim's line of SuperPlay(TM) hand-held games, including the just-released title based on "The Simpsons".

Acclaim Entertainment, Inc. is a leading publisher, marketer and distributor of home entertainment products under the Acclaim and LJN labels. These include Nintendo Entertainment System software, Nintendo Game Boy compact video system software, wireless remote controllers and hand-held electronic games.

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#90276p0852 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitsubishi International Corporation (MIC) has announced that effective Oct. 1, of this year Minoru Makihara, president of the corporation since June 1987, will become MIC's first chairman of the board and that he will be succeeded as president by Tetsuo Kamimura.

Kamimura, 58, comes to his new assignment in MIC's New York headquarters after four postings outside Japan since joining MIC's parent, Mitsubishi Corporation (MC), in 1956, when he graduated from Tokyo University's Department of Law, except for a key two-year stretch heading MC's Corporation Planning Office, Kamimura's career at Mitsubishi has focused mainly on the company's foods business. During the past 30-odd years he has spent six years in Hamburg, one year in Valencia, Spain, and four years in MIC's Chicago branch; these experiences have contributed to his conviction that the so-called Japanese "general trading company," of which MIC is one, must function from this point on as truly global enterprise.

While Kamimura, as MIC's president, will direct the day-to-day functioning of the corporation, Makihara, as its first chairman, will focus on MIC's position in the U.S. corporate community.

Makihara will concurrently serve as Mitsubishi Corporation's first senior managing director for the Americas, an assignment which will allow him to support MC's branch offices and subsidiaries on the American continent.

Makihara, 60, was born in London, at a time when his father was working in Mitsubishi Corporation's office there. He completed his preparation for undergraduate education at St. Paul's School in Concord, N.H., and graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Harvard University in 1954, after which he joined MC. Since that time his career has included an eight-year assignment to London and postings to Seattle, Wash., as well as two separate assignments to Washington, D.C., where he opened MIC's office in 1971. Although his new twin assignment for MC and for MIC will call for extensive travel throughout North, Central, and South America, he intends to retain most of his current affiliations: he is, for instance, the president of the Nippon Club and a director of the Japan Society, both in New York, and a member of the Trilateral Commission, the Council on foreign relations, and the Museum of Modern Art's Business Committee.

Mitsubishi International Corporation, with 20 offices located throughout the United States, ranks among the ten largest exporters of American goods to the world marketplace. Handling more than 25,000 items from raw materials to highly sophisticated advanced electronics, the company registers some $14 billion in trade transactions annually.

CONTACT: Martha Gellens of Mitsubishi International, 212-605-2084.

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#90276p0857 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Caere(R) Corp. (NASDAQ: CAER) today announced a version of its hand-held scanner, the Typist(TM), for MS-DOS(TM) and other IBM PC and compatible computers, including 80286, 80386, 80486 and Windows 3.0(TM) environments. Previously, the product was available only for Apple Macintosh(R) computers.

Since its introduction in August, the Macintosh version of the product has been widely embraced by users, according to Bruce Fredrickson, vice president of marketing for Ingram Micro D, the computer industry's largest distributor of hardware and software. In fact, Ingram Micro D, which has more than 40,000 customers worldwide, expects an even greater demand for the DOS version. To back that up, Ingram Micro D has given Caere one of its largest ever initial orders for a product.

The Macintosh(R) version, shown first at the MacWorld show in Boston last

August, is shipping and available from personal computer dealers. The MS-DOS version will ship in November. The Macintosh version works with any member of the Macintosh II or SE/30 family. The MS-DOS version accommodates all IBM(R) PC AT and compatibles, including 80286, 80386, 80486, Windows(TM) and Windows 3.0 environments. The Macintosh version has a suggested retail price of $695. The MS-DOS version, which requires either an AT or MCA bus, has a suggested retail price of $595.

After a cooperative effort with Microsoft(TM) Corp., Caere is demonstrating the first 32-bit program to run on Windows 3.0(TM). 32-bit OmniPage(R) is the fastest software optical character recognition product in the market. Running in the enhanced mode of Windows 3.0, the program is three to five times faster than other programs. All other Windows 3.0 programs run in the 16-bit mode.

The 32-bit version of OmniPage will be available later this year at personal computer dealers worldwide. Caere will offer free OmniPage 3.0 upgrades to customers who purchase OmniPage 2.1 between Oct. 3, 1990 and the date OmniPage 3.0 ships.

Caere Corp., based in Los Gatos, Calif., is the industry's leader in the design, manufacture and sale of information recognition software and systems products that provide an economical, accurate means of converting text, numeric and bar code data into computer-usable form.

CONTACT: Miriam Hyman of Regis McKenna, 415-354-4409, for Caere; or Larry Miller of Caere, 408-395-7000.

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"There are only one or two super-winner products per year and we are convinced the Typist will be one of them," Fredrickson said. "Caere offers users a sophisticated scanner and software for the price of software alone. Given the larger size of the DOS market, we expect demand for the DOS version to be

phenomenal."

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"Caere was unwilling to accept performance degradation with our product by running a 32-bit program in 16-bit mode," said Larry Miller, Caere's vice president of marketing, "so we worked closely with Microsoft to come up with the best solution for our customers."

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#90276p0863 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHELTON, CT (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Forschner Group, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FSNR), originators and marketers of Swiss Army Brand products, announced today a vigorous campaign to protect the public from blatant imitations of its highly successful Swiss Army Brand Watch.

Forschner, which is the long-time exclusive U.S. distributor of the Original Swiss Army Knife, introduced the Swiss Army Brand Watch in August 1989 through its Swiss Army Brands, Ltd., subsidiary. The watch, which is made in Switzerland, is distinguished by a unique combination of color, texture and design features and is protected by the trade dress laws. (NOTE: The trade

dress laws, in part, prohibit the sale of products that deliberately mimic the overall look of established products.)

"The immediate retailer and consumer acceptance of the Swiss Army Brand Watch has attracted imitators attempting to mislead consumers with inferior products and Forschner is taking vigorous action against all imitators," James W. Kennedy, president and chief executive officer of Forschner, said.

Kennedy added, "Our campaign to protect the public and the Swiss Army Brand trade dress from attempts to knock off our readily identifiable merchandise has begun successfully. Our attorneys have strongly challenged marketers of these knockoffs and have reached agreements in these instances for them to cease marketing the knockoffs. We are hot on the trail of the manufacturers and importers. So far we have not sought damages against retailers but this policy may be expected to change as the trade becomes aware of our enforcement program. We plan to devote whatever resources are necessary to assure that consumers relying on our trade dress and reputation are not deceived."

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - National City Bank, Cleveland and The Solon City School District today announced that the $21,000,000 bond issue for Solon's "Dual School" is complete. National City's Public Finance Group was the underwriter on the bond issue.

Both Moody's and Fitch Investor Services have given a double-A credit rating to Solon's school improvement bonds, the highest rating of any district in Ohio. "This is Ohio's largest school bond issue this year with this credit quality," said Solon City School District Superintendent Joseph Regano. "Only 12 of Ohio's 619 school districts have earned a double-A rating. We were pleased that the rating services saw Solon as an excellent place to live with exceptional schools.

"With no internal expertise on bond issues, we relied heavily on our relationship with National City's Public Finance Group," Regano said. "National City kept our interests in mind throughout the process, providing quality service every step of the way."

Solon voters approved a bond issue last May to pay for the $21 million school to house the growing numbers of students in Solon. Student enrollment in grades K-6 has escalated 42 percent in the last six years. Administrators expect the school population to continue to grow to between 4,200 and 4,500 students in the year 2000.

Construction for Solon's 180,000 square foot "Dual School" is expected to be

completed in August, 1992. The new facility will house 1,250 students in two separate schools under one roof. The lower school will be one of three elementary facilities in Solon serving students in grades 1-4. The middle school will house all Solon seventh and eighth graders in six team teaching areas. The two schools will be separated by a circular courtyard and each school will have a private entrance. Architects for the project are Burgess & Niple Ltd. and Perkins & Will.

National City Corporation's (NYSE: NCC) Public Finance Group represents the corporations member banks and affiliates in investment banking for tax-exempt debt.

National City Bank is the lead bank of National City Corporation, a super-regional bank holding company.

CONTACT: John F. Petty of National City Public Finance, National City Corporation, 216-575-3253, or Joseph Regano, superintendent of the Solon School District, 216-248-1600.

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CONCORD, NH (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthsource, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLTH), a health care management company with operating activities in New Hampshire, Maine, New York, South Carolina and North Carolina, today announced that it had entered into a definitive management agreement with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Vermont. Under the terms of the agreement, Healthsource would provide managed care services for Blue Cross and its subscribers for a five-year period. Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Vermont is the state's largest health care payor with 160,000 members and approximately $150 million in annual premiums.

Specifically, Healthsource will ultimately provide managed care oversight and supervision and utilization review services for applicable Vermont Blue Cross subscribers. Furthermore, at Blue Cross's discretion, Healthsource will consult on aand assist in the design of a Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) and other managed care programs. Healthsource will also provide assistance in negotiations with health care providers, information systems support and marketing assistance.

In addition to being reimbursed for its costs in providing the aforementioned services, Vermont Blue Cross will pay Healthsource $450,000 per year and additional incentive compensation based on health care cost savings.

Commenting on the agreement, Vermont Blue Cross/Blue Shield President and Chief Executive Officer John H. Anderson, said, "We are very excited about joining forces with Healthsource to create an efficient delivery system of health care services in Vermont. Healthsource is one of New England's recognized leaders in the managed care industry and we are very encouraged

about the prospects of our joint endeavor."

Norman C. Payson, M.D., President and Chief Executive Officer of Healthsource, noted, "We are looking forward to working closely with Vermont Blue Cross and the state's health care providers to assist in achieving medical cost containment for the people of Vermont."

Healthsource, Inc. directly manages its wholly-owned Health Maintenance Organization (HMO), Healthsource New Hampshire, which has 40,000 members. In addition, the company has ownership interest in and manages two other HMOs in South Carolina and Maine with more than 22,000 members. Healthsource also has pending investments in or contracts with HMOs in North Carolina and New York which are subject to shareholder and regulatory approval; these plans have 38,000 and 26,000 members, respectively. Other principal operations include a 20,000-member Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) network in New Hampshire and the largest Third Party Administrator (TPA) in New England with approximately 200,000 members.

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"In many ways, Vermont's New England character is similar to New Hampshire and Maine where we currently provide successfully managed health care services and we hope to duplicate the success we have had in those two states," he added.

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#90276p0868 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - First National Supermarkets, Inc. today announced an educational environmental program built around the three Rs -- Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. Effective in all Finast stores, the program provides information on how to reduce packaging, how to reuse or recycle products and how to identify products made from recycled material.

Key components of the environmental program are as follows: -- Hundreds of shelf signs throughout the store providing consumers with environmental insights on how to reduce packaging and how to reuse and recycle products.

-- In store collection bins for recycling paper and plastic grocery bags.

-- A new Finast edition of the Sierra Club Recycling Location pamphlet, available at customer service.

-- Reusable canvas and mesh grocery bags, priced at $2 and $4.49 respectively with an introductory $.50 off coupon offer.

"1001 Things You Can Do To Save The Planet," a paperback book. Noted William Holsworth, executive vice president and president of the Ohio Division, "The more we learn about our environmental problems, the more we want to take action and help our customers do the same. This program is one of many steps we hope to take toward a cleaner, healthier environment, both for us and our customers."

An advisory committee composed of municipal recycling coordinators, recycling businesses and representatives of environmental and cooperative extension organizations helped the supermarket chain develop messages that translated the 3 Rs into practical buying suggestions. Holsworth expressed appreciation for the advisory committee's expertise and help in formulating the messages.

In additional remarks, Holsworth noted the success of First National Supermarkets' Recycling Hotline, a program in which thousands of callers requested the nearest recycling location since the program's inception in March of this year.

Holsworth felt that publishing an updated version of the Sierra Club Recycling Guide was a logical extension of that program, since it lists dozens of municipal recycling programs in the Greater Cleveland area, and how citizens can support them. The guides are available at Finast customer service desks. Recycling guides are available for Lake and Lorain counties also.

Plastic grocery sacks deposited at in-store recycling bins will be recycled for use in non-food packaging material such as detergent and motor oil bottles flower pots and irrigation pipe. Paper bags will be recycled for use in corrugated cardboard products.

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#90276p0873 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Kaiser Steel Resources Inc. today announced the unanimous approval of a 1:3 reverse stock split during a special meeting of the stockholders held yesterday. The decision was made in concert with its plans to re-enter the public stock market on Oct. 16, 1990. Also unanimously approved was an amended stock plan intended to provide eligible directors and employees the opportunity for earning a proprietary interest in the company.

Now focused on environmental businesses, Kaiser Steel Resources is the restructured successor to Kaiser Steel Corp., which emerged from Chapter 11 bankruptcy in 1988. The company's trading will commence with the mid-October distribution of common stock to creditors as part of Kaiser's bankruptcy reorganization. The company will be listed on NASDAQ under the symbol "KSRI."

Richard E. Stoddard, chairman and chief executive officer, said the reverse split will reduce the number of shares to be issued under the Plan of Reorganization from 30 million to 10 million. "This will boost the stock price, which we feel will put us in a more favorable position when public trading is available beginning October 16," he said.

Kaiser Steel Resources is developing businesses that address vital environmental issues in Southern California, including one of the country's largest rail-haul municipal waste landfills, land remediation and development, and water resources.

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#90276p0875 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Odetics (AMEX: OA, OB) announced completion of negotiations with NASA-GSFC for space recorders to be used by the European Space Agency (ESA) on their part of the International Solar Terrestrial Physics (ISTP) program.

NASA-GSFC has an agreement with ESA to provide the space recorders for the Solar and Heliospheric Observatory (SOHO) and the CLUSTER mission, which consists of four separate spacecraft. Odetics will deliver 12 flight model DDS-3100 recorders to NASA-GSFC for SOHO/CLUSTER similar in design to more than 116 recorders successfully flown by NASA, DoD, Japan, Germany, and Italy since 1971. Two Odetics DDS-3100 recorders will be delivered soon to Nippon Electric Corp. (NEC) for their customer, Institute of Space and Astronautical Science (ISAS). ISAS has responsibility for GEOTAIL, the Japanese portion of ISTP.

Odetics, headquartered in Anaheim, is a leading manufacturer of intelligent machines, including information systems for collecting digital and analog data as well as robotic and artificial intelligence systems.

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#90276p0876 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Contel Customer Support announced today that it has been awarded contracts worth a total of $1.67 million to service the telecommunications systems of Stanford University, Caesars Palace and Foote, Cone & Belding, an advertising agency.

CCS will design and install a telecommunications system for Stanford

University in Palo Alto, Calif. Under the contract, Contel Customer Support will upgrade a Northern Telecom SL100 to a Supernode configuration, increasing the switching capacity and memory. Installation is scheduled for the first quarter 1991.

CCS won a three-year maintenance contract awarded by Caesars Palace in Las Vegas. Three CCS technicians will be stationed on site to maintain Caesars Northern Telecom SL1XT switch and upgrade software. CCS will provide all adds/moves/changes.

Under a four-year contract, CCS will maintain the telecommunications system of Foote, Cone & Belding in Los Angeles. Included in the contract is the installation of Northern Telecom's Meridian Option 21 PBX and Universal Wiring. The PBX configuration will initially consist of approximately 250 telephones and 86 trunks, and will later include a Meridian Mail Voice Processing System and Local Area Networks.

Caesars Palace is a world-class hotel and frequent host of major sports championships. Caesars Palace properties include hotels in Atlantic City, N.J., and Lake Tahoe, Nev.

Foote, Cone & Belding is one of the world's leading advertising agencies, representing clients such as Mazda, Mattel, Universal Studio Tours, Orion Pictures, Farmers Insurance and Sunkist.

Contel Customer Support, a subsidiary of Contel Corp. (NYSE: CTC), provides total systems support for complex telecommunications networks including moves/adds/changes, upgrades and enhancements in addition to sales and service of local area network products.

Contel, a company with more than $3 billion in revenues and sales, provides a broad range of telecommunications products and services.

CONTACT: Betsy Gibson, 404-698-5888, or Sue Collins, 404-698-5877, both of Contel

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NAPERVILLE, IL (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: FMBI) today announced that its subsidiary First Midwest Insurance Co. has completed its previously announced program of purchasing common stock of First Midwest Bancorp on the open market.

Pursuant to the program, First Midwest Insurance purchased during the past approximate 15 days some 10,000 shares of the common stock of its parent, this being the maximum number of shares allowable under regulations defining investments of this type by the Arizona insurance company subsidiary.

The purchase program was initiated because of management's belief that First Midwest Bancorp's common stock represents a very attractive investment at current levels. The purchased shares will be held for investment by First Midwest Insurance and not used by its parent to fund stock-related programs.

With total assets of $2.3 billion, First Midwest Bancorp Inc. is one of Illinois' largest bank holding companies operating 36 banking and five trust offices in northern Illinois.

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CHERRY HILL, NJ (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Science Dynamics Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: SIDY), manufacturer of Voice Systems and Intelligent Peripherals for the telecommunications industry, has announced the receipt of a purchase order from Hong Kong Telephone Co. for their new Centralized Digital Change Number Announcement system.

This is the initial application of Science Dynamics' Intelligent Application Node Digital Platform, which can also be applied to other telecommunication services such as Expanded Announcement Systems, Directory Assistance/Call Completion, Integrated Voice Messaging, etc.

The Hong Kong Telephone system purchase order is in excess of $400,000. This new digital system will be centrally located within two central offices to serve their entire customer base for calls that are being intercepted. Subscribers will receive the called number status, such as the old number has been changed and the new number referral, through a multilanguage (English and Cantonese) announcement. The system has the capability of future expansion to more than 1,200 channels. Delivery is scheduled for the second quarter of 1991.

Science Dynamics Corp. designs and manufactures telecommunications products that are focused on providing Voice Announcements, Intelligent Network Control and Administration, Enhanced Network Security, Interactive Communications, and Call Processing and response capabilities. Science Dynamics has more than 14,000 units in operation at all RBOCS and major independent telephone companies, including GTE, United Telephone, Centel and Contel. Science Dynamics' stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

Additional information may be obtained from Lyndon A. Keele, president, Science Dynamics Corp., 1919 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill, N.J., 08003, 609-424-0068.

CONTACT: Lyndon A. Keele, president of Science Dynamics Corp., 609-424-0068

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EGG HARBOR CITY, NJ (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Collective Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: COFD) has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents for each share of common stock, it was announced today by Thomas H. Hamilton, president and chief executive officer.

The dividend is payable Oct. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record on Oct. 17.

Collective Bancorp Inc. is the parent savings and loan holding company for Collective Federal Savings Bank. Following its Sept. 28, 1990, acquisition of Metropolitan Federal Savings, Collective Federal now operates 53 full-service banking offices in 13 counties throughout the state of New Jersey.

CONTACT: Scott Page of Collective Bancorp, 609-625-1110

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STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Svenska Handelsbanken today released the following:

Svenska Handelsbanken's operations outside Sweden have expanded sharply during the 1980s. Continued growth is expected in the 1990s, especially in the Nordic countries. Thus it becomes necessary to strengthen the management of the bank's activities outside Sweden.

The operations outside Sweden are consequently being removed from the central international division's responsibility and will in future form a separate regional bank -- Svenska Handelsbanken International. This ninth regional bank will include all the bank's 25 units outside Sweden, with the exception of Svenska Handelsbanken, London Branch and Svenska International plc.

The new regional bank will have assets totaling SEK 50 billion and a staff of 400.

Magnus Uggla, currently executive vice president and head of foreign exchange, money markets and bonds at the central international division, has been appointed head of Svenska Handelsbanken International. Uggla was previously head of Svenska Handelsbanken, New York branch.

Bo Forsberg, currently senior vice president and head of the international department, Gothenburg, has been appointed head of the international department in Stockholm, which will continue to be responsible for foreign payments, foreign exchange and money markets, etc. Forsberg has previously also been head of the international department in Malmo.

Andres Ljungh, executive vice president and currently head of central international division, has been appointed executive vice president of the new European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD). He will thus leave Svenska Handelsbanken.

CONTACT: Tom Hedelius, president, or Arne Mariensson, president- elect of Svenska Handelsbanken, in Stockholm, +46 8 22 92 20.

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OAKLAND, CA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Safeway Inc. (NYSE: SWY) today reported net income for the third quarter (12 weeks) ended Sept. 8, 1990, of $20.8 million (21 cents per share) compared with $7.1 million (9 cents per share) in the third quarter of 1989. For the first 36 weeks of 1990, net income rose to $59.4 million (63 cents per share) from $23.5 million (31 cents per share) in 1989.

Sales for the quarter were $3.5 billion, 4.6 percent greater than the third quarter of 1989. Sales for the first 36 weeks of 1990 were $10.2 billion, 4.4 percent greater than in 1989. Same-store sales (sales of stores operating the entire measurement period in both years) increased 3.9 percent in the third quarter of 1990 and 3.4 percent in the first 36 weeks of 1990.

Gross profit was 26.6 percent of sales for the first 36 weeks of 1990 compared to 25.7 percent a year ago. This continues the positive trend of improved gross profit over the last several quarters resulting from better buying practices, effective merchandising, improved inventory control and increased sales in high-margin specialty departments.

Sales gains and improved gross margins helped lift operating profit for the third quarter to $127.6 million, up 14.4 percent from the same period last year. Operating profit was 3.7 percent of sales in the third quarater and 3.6 percent for the first 36 weeks of 1990. By comparison, operating profit for the same periods of 1989 were 3.4 percent and 3.3 percent of sales, respectively.

Operating cash flow (FIFO earnings before income taxes, interest, depreciation and amortization) improved to 6.2 percent of sales in the third quarter of 1990 compared to 5.4 percent in 1989. Operating cash flow was 6 percent of sales in the first 36 weeks of 1990 compared to 5.3 percent for the same period of 1989.

Interest expense for the first 36 weeks declined slightly to $261.4 million in 1990 from $267.8 million in 1989. This was primarily the result of lower average borrowings following the initial public offering of 11.5 million shares of common stock in April 1990. Net proceeds from the offering were approximately $120 million. This reduction in interest expense was partially

offset by higher interest rates on borrowings moved into Canada.

Other income increased to $28.1 million for the first 36 weeks of 1990 from $3.3 million in 1989 due primarily to the increased income from Safeway's 35 percent equity investment in Vons, a supermarket chain located principally in southern California. Safeway records income from its investment in Vons on a one-quarter delay basis.

Safeway Inc. is one of the world's largest food retailers, operating 1,114 stores in the United States and Canada. The company's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SWY.

CONTACT: Melissa Plaisance, 415-891-3136 (investor relations); or Brian Dowling, 415-891-3267; both of Safeway Inc.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - SMS Engineering Inc. has received a $30 million contract from Logan Aluminum Inc. for a high-production, 3-stand Tandem Cold Mill, as announced today by Jeremy C.T. Thomas, president and CEO.

Designed to produce high-grade aluminum strip for can stock, the mill and related mechanical equipment will be manufactured in conjunction with SMS Engineering's parent organization, SMS Schloemann-Siemag Aktiengesellschaft of Germany. Installation at Logan's existing plant in Russellville, Ky., is scheduled for mid-1993.

SMS AG of Germany will be responsible for basic engineering, and engineering and manufacture of the mill stands. Pittsburgh-based SMS Engineering will serve as project manager and be responsible for overall coordination, detailed engineering and manufacture of all equipment other than the mill stands.

The new 4-high cold mill will include substantial automation, including coil and spool handling, short between coil times, high rolling speeds of 6,000 feet/minute maximum and the use of large coils.

The mill, which will have a maximum width capability of 82 inches, will utilize customized SMS high-technology rolling concepts to ensure production of highest quality cold rolled strip, with close gauge tolerances and flatness.

CONTACT: Jeremy C.T. Thomas, president and CEO of SMS Engineering, 412-471-4436.

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DALLAS (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Harken Energy Corporation (NYSE: HEC) of Dallas

announced, on behalf of its wholly owned subsidiaries Tejas Power Corporation (TPC) and E-Z Serve Holding Company, Inc. (E-Z), that it has today filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement covering the previously announced proposed rights offering (A). TPC is Harken's natural gas gathering and marketing subsidiary. E-Z is the parent company of Harken Marketing Company, Harken's refined products marketing subsidiary.

Through the proposed offering, Harken stockholders would receive transferable rights (Unit Rights), affording them the opportunity to subscribe jointly to newly issued shares of the common stock of TPC and newly issued shares of the common stock of Frontier Refining and Marketing Company (FRMC). FRMC is the name which E-Z will assume upon the completion of its proposed merger with the parent company of Frontier Oil Corporation (FOC) of Denver, as announced by Harken on Oct. 2, 1990. With the completion of the proposed offering, Harken, FRMC and TPC would become separate operating companies which, it is anticipated, would trade separately in the public markets.

Under the proposed rights offering, a total of $48.5 million in TPC and FRMC common stock would be offered to holders of Unit Rights. In addition, upon completion of the merger of E-Z and the parent company of FOC, the proposed rights offering would include the issuance of rights to FRMC's stockholders other than Harken which, upon exercise, would provide additional proceeds to FRMC of up to $15.5 million.

Proposed Rights Offering Terms Securities to be offered -- Unit Rights providing the opportunity to subscribe jointly to newly issued shares of common stock of FRMC and newly issued shares of TPC.

Proposed subscription ratio -- Harken stockholders would receive one unit right for every eight shares of Harken stock held as of the proposed record date. (see "Proposed record date" discussion below).;

-- Each Unit Right would entitle the holder to subscribe to one share of TPC common stock and one share of FRMC common stock.

Proposed subscription price -- The exercise price for each Unit Right would be $8.00. Oversubscription privileges -- Stockholders would have the opportunity to subscribe to a proportionate share of Unit Rights not exercised by other stockholders.

Proposed record date/subscription date/certificates mailing date -- Before the effectiveness of the registration statement covering the offering, Harken's board of directors will establish the record date for Harken stockholders entitled to receive Unit Rights. The proposed subscription period would begin on the record date and continue for a period to be determined by the Harken board of directors. Unit Right certificates would be mailed to Harken

stockholders as soon as practicable after the record date.

The proposed rights offering is subject to the effectiveness of a preliminary registration statement today filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The terms noted above are subject to change. Any material changes to the terms outlined above will be publicized through the public press. Media representatives are advised to be alert for possible future news releases.

Harken Energy Corporation manages and develops energy assets. HEC retails, wholesales and distributes gasoline through its subsidiary, Harken Marketing Company. Through its subsidiary, Tejas Power Corporation, HEC constructs, owns and operates natural gas gathering, storage and transmission facilities in Texas and Louisiana and markets third party gas to a variety of end-users. HEC explores for, develops and produces oil and gas reserves domestically through its subsidiary Harken Exploration Company and internationally through its subsidiary Harken Bahrain Oil Company. HEC provides contract drilling and workover/well services through its subsidiary, Harken Resource Management Corporation.

(A) -- A preliminary registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. The offering and sale of any of these securities will be made only be means of a prospectus. This discussion shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any State in which such offer, solicitation, or sale would be unlawful prior to the registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such State.

Copies of the written prospectus, when available, can be obtained by contacting Dale Brooks, c/o Harken Energy Corporation, 2505 North Highway 360, Suite 800, Grand Prairie, Texas 75050.

CONTACT: Dale Brooks of Harken Energy, 1-800-4-HARKEN or 817-652-4429

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Ethyl Corporation (NYSE: EY) announced today that it had signed a conditional agreement to sell all the stock of its Hardwicke Chemical Company subsidiary to MTM Plc of Cleveland, England, for approximately $112 million. The transaction is expected to be completed by the end of October. The sale, if completed, will result in a gain for Ethyl to be determined at time of closing.

Hardwicke Chemical, based in Elgin, S.C., produces synthetic pyrethroid intermediates and fine chemicals and its 1989 revenues were approximately $50

million. Hardwicke Chemical has 177 employees, all of whom are located at the Elgin site. Ethyl has owned 100 percent of the stock of Hardwicke Chemical since 1978.

Ethyl said it decided to sell Hardwicke Chemical in order to focus on other specialty chemicals and concentrate its manufacturing activities on fewer, larger sites.

Ethyl Corporation is a Fortune-500 company based in Richmond, Va. The company makes and markets performance chemicals for the petroleum and plastics industries as well as high-technology chemicals and pharmaceuticals. Ethyl also owns First Colony Life Insurance Company of Lynchburg, Va.

CONTACT: A. Prescott Rowe, 804-788-5413, or Raymond F. Kozakewicz, 804-788-5426, both of Ethyl Corporation.

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#90276p0889 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert E. Allen, AT&T chairman and chief executive officer, expressed strong support today for the budget agreement reached by the Administration and the Congressional leadership.

"President Bush's explanation last night of why the current budget proposal deserves the support of the American public was clear, convincing and persuasive," Allen said.

"The proposal planned for submission to Congress later this week represents real deficit reduction, which is absolutely critical for the long-term health of the economy.

"Those who took part in the arduous discussions that led to this proposal are to be congratulated, not criticized.

"In the interest of getting a workable package approved, some disappointments will have to be swallowed.

"The important thing is that it is a solid move toward a reduced deficit. And that move is overdue."

CONTACT: Dick Gray of AT&T, 201-221-5057

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UNIVERSAL CITY, CA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to press reports, MCA Inc. (NYSE: MCA) confirmed today that they continue to be in active discussions relative to a possible business combination between MCA Inc. and

Matsushita Electric Industrial Company Ltd. There can, of course, be no assurance that the discussions will lead to any merger or other combination. MCA also stated that they do not intend to issue further statements on the course or progress of their discussions until they reach some conclusion.

CONTACT: Christine Hanson of MCA Inc., 818-777-3591.

-30- 751

#90276p0892 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBUQUERQUE, NM (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Horizon Healthcare Corp. (NYSE: HHC) today announced the results of its first quarter for fiscal 1991 ended Aug. 31 1990. Continuing on its trend of profitability which began with the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989, Horizon reported a profit of $348,000 or 5 cents per share. Horizon's net revenues from continuing operations for the first quarter were $25.4 million. This compares to a net profit of $169,000 and net revenues from continuing operations of $26.2 million for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Horizon, which was incorporated in July 1986 and began trading on the New York Stock Exchange on May 7, 1987, as of Aug. 31, 1990 operated in eight states a total of 45 long term care facilities with 4,720 beds, three retirement housing facilities with 139 apartments and one assisted living facility with 167 units.

HORIZON HEALTHCARE CORP.
Income Statement
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended Aug. 31,	
	1990	1989
Net revenues from continuing operations	$25,436	$26,223
Pre-tax income from continuing operations	348	169
Provision for income taxes	87	45
Net income from continuing operations before extraordinary item	261	124
Extraordinary item: tax benefit of net operating loss carry forward	87	45
Net income from continuing and discontinued operations after the tax benefit of net operating loss carry forward	$348	$169
Earnings per share:		
Earnings from continuing operations	$.04	$.02
Extraordinary item	.01	.01
Net earnings per share	$.05	$.03

Shares used in calculating earnings per share	6,909	6,362

CONTACT: Randi S. Nathanson of Horizon Healthcare Corp., 505-881-4961.

-30- 2428

#90276p0899 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

HACKENSACK, NJ (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Script Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: SCPT), today reported record sales and earnings for the year and the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990. For the year, revenues rose to $5,364,771, an increase of 13 percent over the period last year. Net earnings of $323,376 were also a record. For the fourth quarter, sales rose 17 percent to a record $1,686,143 while earnings increased 346 percent to a record $312,904.

Barry Mindes, Script System's president, stated that the quality of sales improved markedly last year. The company concentrated its efforts in the high-growth, high-margin medical market as opposed to on pharmacy systems and intends to do so in the future. Medical systems sales rose approximately 40 percent to $5.1 million from $3.5 million last year.

Script Systems provides automated systems to the health care industry, principally medical offices, clinics and hospitals, which perform clinical record keeping, billing and insurance claims processing, scheduling and administrative functions. Script's products and services are sold throughout the country from directs sales offices and a distributor network.

SCRIPT SYSTEMS, INC.

Periods ended	Year		Quarter	
June 30,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$5,364,771	$4,738,958	$1,686,143	$1,446,999
Net earnings	323,376	306,887	312,904	70,098
Earnings per share fully diluted	$.11	$.12	$.11	$.02
Shares outstanding	2,840,648	2,462,429	2,840,648	2,462,429

CONTACT: Barry Mindes of Script Systems, 201-343-8500, or Sam Witchel of Scharff, Witchel & Co., 212-983-1060, for Script Systems

-30- 1952

#90276p0901 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Real estate developer Stanley Stahl today completed his $38 per share cash tender offer for Apple Bancorp, Inc. In the tender offer, Stahl increased his stake in Apple from 31 percent to 97 percent. The offer price valued Apple at almost $175 million.

Apple Bancorp is the parent company of Apple Bank for Savings, one of New

York's healthiest savings banks. "At a time when we have read so much negative publicity about the banking industry, Stahl's acquisition highlights the fact that some institutions are weathering the storm," said Robert J. Hasday, a partner in the New York law firm of Shea & Gould who represented Stahl in the transaction.

According to Hasday, in addition to being one of the few recent acquisitions of a healthy depositary institution in the country, the transaction was unusual in that it conditioned a tender offer on a successful proxy solicitation. "In essence, we used the tender offer to obtain votes in the proxy context," added Hasday.

Apple is one of the largest savings institutions in New York with assets of approximately $3.9 billion at June 30, 1990. The 127-year-old Apple Bank for Savings employs approximately 1,500 people at its 33 branches in New York.

Shea & Gould is one of New York City's leading law firms, with 220 attorneys practicing at its Manhattan headquarters.

CONTACT: Stan Steinreich of MWW/Strategic Communications, 201-342-9500, for Shea & Gould

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#90276p0902 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Arbor Drugs, Inc. (NASDAQ: ARBR), which currently operates 102 drugstores in Michigan, today announced a 20.0-percent increase in net income and a 13.7-percent increase in net sales for the year ended July 31, 1990.

Eugene Applebaum, chairman, president and chief executive officer, attributed the record performance to consistent sales growth and continued expense discipline in store operations.

Arbor's fiscal 1990 net income was $11,004,000 or $1.15 per share, up from $9,168,000 or $.96 per share in fiscal 1989. Net sales for the year were $341,286,000 vs. $300,198,000 last year. Comparable store sales increased 9.2 percent for the year.

Net income in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 was $2,678,000, up 8.2 percent over last year's $2,474,000. Earnings per share for the three months increased to $.28 from $.26 in fiscal 1989. Sales for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, were $88,818,000, up 13.8 percent from $78,015,000 in the prior year. Comparable store sales were up 9.0 percent for the three-month period.

As previously announced, on Aug. 28, 1990, the board of directors of the Troy-based retailer declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.04 a share, payable on Oct. 2, 1990, to holders of record as of Sept. 18, 1990.

Commenting on the results, Applebaum said: "Fiscal 1990 was another outstanding year for our company. This performance again demonstrates our ability to achieve strong sales increases and excellent profits. We remain committed to focusing on what is important to our customers, specifically, the pharmacy department, overall convenience, everyday values and attention to detail in our stores."

Applebaum also noted: "From a strategic standpoint, this past year was significant for two reasons. First, during fiscal 1990, we opened 12 new stores, including six in the fourth quarter. For the year ending July 31, 1991, we plan to open at least 15 new stores, reflecting our goal of operating 150 drugstores in Michigan by 1993. Second, substantial progress was made in developing and implementing technology, designed to improve operating efficiencies and customer service."

Arbor Drugs, named the "1989-1990 Michigan Company of The Year" by the Detroit Free Press, is the nation's 23rd-largest drugstore chain.

ARBOR DRUGS, INC.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Dollars and number of shares in 000's)

	Year Ended July 31		
	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Net sales	$341,286	$300,198	+13.7
Cost of sales	244,915	214,365	+14.3
Selling, general & admin. expense	78,036	69,936	+11.6
Income from operations	18,335	15,897	+15.3
Income before income tax	16,744	13,996	+19.6
Income tax provision	5,740	4,828	+18.9
Net income	11,004	9,168	+20.0
Earnings per common share	$1.15	$.96	+19.8
Weighted avg. number of common shares	9,529	9,515	+0.1
Number of stores	98	87	+12.6

	Three Months Ended July 31		
	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Net sales	$88,818	$78,015	+13.8
Cost of sales	63,940	55,546	+15.1
Selling, general & admin. expense	20,577	18,387	+11.9
Income from operations	4,301	4,082	+5.4
Income before			

income tax	4,014	3,756	+6.9
Income tax provision	1,336	1,282	+4.2
Net income	2,678	2,474	+8.2
Earnings per common share	$.28	$.26	+7.7
Weighted avg. number of common shares	9,538	9,519	+0.2

CONTACT: Gilbert C. Gerhard of Arbor Drugs, Inc., 313-643-9420

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#90276p0903 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Snyder Oil Corporation (NYSE: SNY) ("SOCO") today declared a dividend to holders of its common stock for the third quarter of 1990 at the rate of $.04 per share. The dividend is payable Nov. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record on Oct. 31, 1990.

SOCO is an independent oil corporation engaged in the acquisition, production, development and exploration of domestic oil and gas properties and in natural gas processing and transportation.

CONTACT: Patti J. Irwin, vice president of Snyder Oil, 817-338-4043.

-30- 721

#90276p0904 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST CHESTER, PA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Roy F. Weston Inc. (NASDAQ: WSTNA) (WESTON) has been awarded its first assignment under a new $50 million contract with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Omaha district, to provide clean up at both Superfund and military installations throughout the country.

The objective of the Pre-placed Remedial Action (PRAC) will be to greatly reduce the amount of time it takes the government to respond to cleanup situations. The one-year contract comes with four one-year renewable options, with a potential total of $50 million over five years.

The first assignment has a potential of $20 million over three phases. The first phase involves a special incinerator to burn waste at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal in Denver. The second and third phases, which WESTON has not yet been assigned, cover the building and operation of the incinerator.

WESTON, and Weston Services Inc., the wholly owned remediation arm of WESTON, also based at WESTON corporate headquarters in West Chester, provide comprehensive remediation and environmental construction services including facility decontamination and demolition; transportable thermal treatment; landfill and TSD facility construction; storage tank management and renovation programs; municipal and industrial water/wastewater treatment facility

construction and facility contract operations.

WESTON, the parent company, is a recognized leader in the environmental engineering, design and consulting industry. Its clients include many Fortune 500 companies and government, from the municipal to federal level. The company operates a network of 40 offices and four analytical laboratories.

CONTACT: Michael E. Herron of Roy F. Weston, 215-344-3442

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#90276p0905 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

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CONTACT: Michael E. Herron of Roy F. Weston, 215-344-3442.

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#90276p0906 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PROVIDENCE, RI (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Fleet/Norstar Financial Group (NYSE:FNG) popped the cork on a year-long celebration for its 200th anniversary today when Terrence Murray, chairman and president, unveiled a newly restored

downtown landmark as a gift to the people of Rhode Island.

"The events and activities planned for the bicentennial year are designed to make lasting contributions to our employees and the communities we serve," Murray said.

At the launch ceremony in Providence, Fleet/Norstar executives were joined by dignitaries and guests for the unveiling of a bicentennial logo and a commemorative plaque at the restored Soldiers' and Sailors' monument in Kennedy Plaza.

A $50,000 check from the Fleet Charitable Trust, to be used for the monument's restoration, was presented to Providence Mayor Joseph R. Paolino, Jr. The $50,000 contribution from the Fleet Charitable Trust matches funding from the R.I. Historical Preservation Commission. Fleet/Norstar's contribution is being used for the monument's restoration as a lasting gift to the citizens of Providence and Rhode Island to highlight the importance of Providence as the location of Fleet/Norstar's founding 200 years ago.

Fleet/Norstar traces its roots to the Providence Bank, a company founded by John Brown in Providence on Oct. 3, 1791. It is one of only three financial services companies in the United States to celebrate 200 years in business.

Yesterday, in Albany, N.Y., John B. Robinson, Jr., executive vice president, Fleet/Norstar, presented a $25,000 gift from the Fleet Charitable Trust to the Executive Mansion Preservation Society for restoration of the New York State executive mansion.

The theme of the bicentannial, "The Third Century", was created to acknowledge the corporation's longevity while providing a platform for anticipating the future. "Our 200 years in business represents a milestone in which all our companies -- from Maine to California -- take enormous pride," Murray said.

In addition to today's public ceremonies, Fleet/Norstar presented its 18,500 employees throughout the corporation with commemorative gifts.

Fleet/Norstar Financial Group is a diversified national financial services company listed on the New York Stock Exchange . Fleet/Nosrstar has approximately 1,000 offices in 40 states. Its lines of business include commercial and consumer banking, mortgage banking, consumer finance, asset-based lending, trust banking, student loan processing, and investment banking.

CONTACT: Robert W. Lougee, Jr., 401-278-5879, or Bruce P. Crooks, 401-278-6241 or Charles T. Conway, Jr., 401-278-6240, all of Fleet/Norstar.

-30- 2887

#90276p0911 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OH (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Robbins & Myers, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROBN) announced today a significant increase in profits for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Net income for the year was $5.4 million, an increase of 29 percent over the $4.2 million reported at the end of fiscal 1989. However, net income for the fourth quarter was $1.3 million, down from $1.4 million in last year's fourth quarter due to lower profitability in the Motion Control business segment.

Annual sales were $108.6 million, a 2.5 percent increase over the same period last year. Fourth quarter sales were $27.5 million, up from the $26.8 million for the fourth quarter 1989.

Earnings per share rose to $2.15, up from $1.73 for the previous year. Earnings for the quarter were $.50, down from the $.55 reported for the fourth quarter of 1989.

"We continue to be pleased with our overall corporate performance thanks to the excellent results of the Fluids Handling Group," said Daniel W. Duval, president and chief executive officer.

The Fluids Handling Group continued its strong performance. Sales for the year rose 15.9 percent and profits were up 40 percent. Strong shipments in the oil recovery and municipal waste water treatment markets contributed to the substantial profit improvement.

Duval further stated, "We are disappointed with our Motion Control Group results. The group's sales for the year were down 15 percent from the year before. This dramatically impacted their profitability. We are encouraged, however, that the group's order rate and backlog was up significantly in the second half of the fiscal year as a result of a strong marketing effort."

Robbins & Myers, Inc. designs, manufacturers and markets an array of fluids handling and motion control products for markets around the world. The Fluids Handling Group manufactures progressing cavity pumps for a variety of industrial and municipal applications. The Motion Control Group manufactures AC motors, DC servo systems and optical encoders for office and industrial automation applications.

The company is traded on the NASDAQ/NMS under the symbol ROBN.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The following announcements were made today by

Electromagnetic Sciences Inc. (NASDAQ: ELMG):

(a) The company has undertaken a program to strategically restructure resources in its microwave operations, which will result in a special charge of approximately $3.4 million to operating income in the third quarter ended Sept. 30. The company expects its restructuring program to contribute to improved productivity and profitability in 1991 and future periods.

(b) The company has adopted a long-term objective of increasing the visibility and independent stature of its LXE subsidiary, and thus expects to effect a public offering of stock in its LXE subsidiary when market conditions are appropriate.

(c) The company will seek to repurchase up to 1 million shares of its currently outstanding 7,077,000 shares of common stock.

RESTRUCTURING PROGRAM The company said that operations in the third quarter before the restructuring charge produced approximately the same result as for its second quarter. Thus the company expects to report an after-tax loss of approximately $1.95 million for the third quarter, or $.28 per share. Announcement of the final third quarter results is expected near the middle of October. While the company does expect normal operations to show improvement in the fourth quarter compared to the earlier quarters, the year as a whole will show a loss as a result of the restructuring charge.

Dr. John E. Pippin, chairman and CEO, made the following statement: "We believe that our restructuring program will allow our microwave operation to achieve significant improvements in efficiency and productivity and position us to return to a more rewarding level of profitability in our marketplace.

"Recognizing the increasing pressures in the defense market, we have for some time pursued a strategy based on diversification of our markets towards commercial and international sales, intensification of research and development effort, and careful management of resources. I believe that this strategy is producing positive results. Revenues for products directed toward U.S. government end-use in 1987 were 75 percent of the total, while commercial and international revenues accounted for 25 percent of the total. In 1988, the commercial and international share rose to 32 percent, in 1989 it was 41 percent. In the first six months of 1990, commercial and international revenues were 46 percent of the total. And 52 percent of the orders received in the first six months of 1990 were in the commercial and international arena.

"Our R&D efforts have allowed us to introduce innovative proprietary concepts for the design and manufacture of ferrite phase shifters and switch networks having attractive size, weight, performance, and cost advantages. These have significant potential in both commercial and military satellites, and the phase shifters are being produced in very large quantities on a current defense

program for airborne phased array radars, a program that is expected to continue for many years.

"These and other technologies provide us the opportunity to participate in the emerging commercial satellite markets. Our hybrid and monolithic technologies are being applied to complex switching networks for a major commercial satellite program. In addition, we recently received a small study contract from Satellite Communications, a Strategic Business Unit of Motorola, to develop a 'proof-of-concept' planar phased array antenna for the Iridium Satellite system, using similar technologies.

"Our commitment to quality in our manufacturing processes has helped us win multi-million dollar programs for manufacture of hardware for spacecraft, missiles, and anti-submarine warfare systems. And we have recently learned that the company expects to receive contracts in the fourth quarter for initial development of hardware for two electronic warfare systems which appear to have significant potential for production orders in future years.

"So, as reflected by orders and revenues, our strategy is producing positive results in diversification of markets while strengthening our position in the defense area. And, as previously stated, profitability is expected to improve in the fourth quarter.

"But as we enter the 1990s, it is becoming clear that, to be truly successful in our microwave business, we must improve our productivity, provide more efficient systems for manufacturing and testing our products, and streamline our management organization to provide effective and immediate attention to opportunities provided by our customers as well as more efficient direction of internal operations. In large part these needs are brought on by declining defense budgets and a U.S. government appetite for increasingly complex hardware at a lower price. They are also a result of opportunities to apply our new technologies in small commercial satellites, if our production of satellite hardware can move from 'hand-crafting' to more efficient production lines.

"Therefore, I have directed that our microwave operation undertake an aggressive program to consolidate its facilities, eliminate excess capacity, and streamline its management and organizational structure, in a manner consistent with the nature and quantity of business opportunities that we now foresee. I have also directed that our microwave oepration improve its manufacturing and test processes and tooling to provide cost-effective, high-performance solutions for future requirements of the military and commercial satellite markets. These actions will result in a charge of approximately $3.4 million to operating income in the third quarter. They will contribute to the furtherance of our program of diversification into commercial and international markets, while strengthening our position in the defense market. And they will result in improved productivity in the microwave operations which will, I believe, be reflected in improved financial

performance."

LXE VISIBILITY The company's LXE subsidiary, which currently accounts for a majority of the company's commercial and international business, provides a variety of wireless digital data communications products for use in the area of materials handling and inventory control. Pippin said: "During the past two years, LXE's R&D effort has added new capability to its systems, providing terminals with integrated radios meeting international standards, intelligent network controls with non-stop, fault-tolerant processing, and the capability for RF coverage of large areas. This has allowed us to enter additional markets in factory automation and intermodal transport industries. In the third quarter of 1990, a new record of LXE orders was achieved.

"We believe that our long-term objective should be to increase LXE's visibility and to change its status from that of a wholly owned subsidiary. Therefore, when conditions in the market appear to be appropriate, we expect to make a public offering of LXE stock as a subsidiary of our company."

REPURCHASE OF COMMON SHARES In connection with the repurchase of common stock, Pippin stated: "We remain confident of our company's fundamental strengths and of its ability to succeed in our marketplace. Our current expectations are that in 1991 our profitability will be significantly improved over that reported in 1989. Yet it does not appear to us that the company's fundamental strengths are reflected in the market price of its stock, which has become deeply depressed over the last two years. We believe that a share-repurchase program, while providing greater liquidity to those shareholders who wish to sell their shares, will benefit remaining shareholders with higher earnings per share, if, as we expect, the company returns to higher levels of profitability in the future.

"The company thus will seek to repurchase up to 1 million shares of common stock. Purchases within the 1-million share limit may be made from time to time as deemed advisable by management, based on the availability and market price of the shares. The board's authorization, under which the company is acting, does not specify maximum prices that may be paid or any time limit for completing the purchases."

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BLUE BELL, PA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Healthcare (NASDAQ: USHC) today announced it will receive $2 million in settlement of its defamation lawsuit against Independence Blue Cross (formerly Blue Cross of Greater Philadelphia), Pennsylvania Blue Shield and Blue Cross former President David Markson.

Blue Cross and the other defendants agreed to pay the $2 million less than 72

hours before the U.S. Supreme Court rejected their petition for review of an appellate court decision that rejected their claim that healthcare advertisers may legally publish false or misleading statements in certain circumstances under the cloak of Constitutional protection.

The lawsuit was originally brought by U.S. healthcare in 1986 to combat what it claimed was false advertising and scare tactics by Blue Cross and Blue Shield aimed at U.S. Healthcare's health maintenance organizations which had won over many Blue Cross subscribers.

U.S. Healthcare president Leonard Abramson said, "The settlement vindicates our position with respect to the advertising. We hope that it benefits all purchasers of health care by establishing that health care advertisers will be held to standards established by state and federal law for all advertising," he added.

U.S. Healthcare Inc. is one of the nation's leading operators of health maintenance organizations (HMOs), with 1 million members in the mid-Atlantic, Greater New York and New England marketplaces. U.S. Healthcare is dedicated to providing quality health services to its members while aggressively seeking solutions to the spiraling costs facing the healthcare system.

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OAK BROOK, IL (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Spiegel, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SPGLA), the nation's largest in-home catalog company, and Binney & Smith, a subsidiary of Hallmark Cards, Inc. and makers of Crayola products, today announced the signing of a letter of intent giving the upscale retailer exclusive license to design, manufacture and market a new line of children's apparel and accessories called "Crayola Kids." The venture, under which Spiegel would develop specialty catalogs and retail outlets for the line, brings together two of the country's most recognized brand names in the women's and children's markets.

"This agreement unites the know-how of two leaders in their industries and the result will provide additional new growth opportunities for Spiegel," said John J. Shea, president and chief executive officer of the company. "The power of the Spiegel and Crayola brand names gives us five generations of brand equity, brands consumers grew up with and respect."

"We're pleased that our Crayola brand will be associated with Spiegel in the children's apparel category," said Rich Gurin, president and chief executive officer, Binney & Smith. "This is a positive and natural extension for the Crayola brand name."

Spiegel plans to introduce the line of boys' and girls' apparel in infants', toddlers' and children's sizes through a section of the Fall 1991 Spiegel general catalog, and develop a Crayola Kids clothing and accessories specialty catalog for Spring 1992. In addition, the company plans to expand the concept into an innovative specialty retail chain of Crayola Kids stores. The Crayola brand's well-known palette of colors will be key to the product line.

Spiegel recently has been searching for an appropriate opportunity to broaden its business in the children's apparel category.

The children's market has been growing at a rapid pace in recent years and spending jumped approximately 25 percent in 1989, according to industry sources. An estimated $75 billion will be spent on the nation's 43.9 million children ages 12 and under this year.

Binney & Smith Inc., an Easton, Pa.-based company, manufactures a complete line of creative art materials for children and adults under the Crayola and Liquitex brand names. Hallmark Properties, Kansas City, Mo., is the licensing and concept development arm of Hallmark Cards.

Spiegel Inc. is the nation's largest in-home cataloger and a leading specialty retailer. Wholly owned specialty retail subsidiaries are Eddie Bauer Inc. and Honeybee Inc. Spiegel's Class A non-voting common stock trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the ticker symbol SPGLA.

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DETROIT (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Detroit Edison (NYSE: DTE) today announced plans to add natural gas burning capability at its Greenwood Power Plant near Avoca, Mich., providing the option to burn either gas or oil. Avoca is located about 15 miles west of Port Huron.

Under plans approved by the Michigan Air Pollution Control Commission, the adaptation of Greenwood to a dual fuel burner is scheduled for completion by the summer of 1991 at a cost of about $6 million. The plant currently is the only one in the Detroit Edison system that burns only fuel oil. However, the oil that it burns is residual oil, a material that is left after the refining process that produces gasoline and other light oils.

"The addition of natural gas offers an environmentally acceptable fuel that we believe provides better flexibility and stable pricing for the utility's customers," said Frank E. Agosti, senior vice president for Detroit Edison. "Currently, with the Middle East situation, the cost of oil is twice that of

natural gas on a Btu or heat value basis.

"The change will allow us to economically operate Greenwood," Agosti said.

"Dual fuel will provide our customers with a valuable option at Greenwood. Based on availability and pricing at any particular time, we will be able to choose which fuel or combination of fuels to use at the plant," he said.

The 785-megawatt Greenwood Power Plant began commercial operation in July 1979 and is primarily operated only at times of high customer demand for electricity or when other company facilities are undergoing maintenance outages.

Ninety-eight percent of the electricity produced by Detroit Edison is fueled by domestically available coal and nuclear power, whose price and supply are less captive to world events and artificial pricing.

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JERSEY CITY (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - In the next week or two, National Westminster Bank NJ will be moving commercial loan officers and bank specialists in cash management, trade finance, personal trust, private banking and other areas into new offices in Teaneck at Glenpointe Plaza.

According to the bank, 45 employees will be relocating to Teaneck. While some bank specialists will be moving to Teaneck from Jersey City, the bulk of NatWest's Glenpointe office staff will be commercial loan officers, who have been working in Hasbrouck Heights. The bank's Glenpointe office will focus on serving small to mid-size businesses, core markets of NatWest NJ.

"Strategically, we feel that we can better respond to the needs of our commercial customers by housing bank specialists and loan officers together in one location," says L. Douglas O'Brien, the Bank's chief executive officer. "This approach works well for us in New York, and our commercial customers in Northern New Jersey will be served even better by this realignment."

National Westminster Bank USA, NatWest NJ's New York-based affiliate, opened commercial loan offices, housing both loan officers and bank specialists, in Jericho, Long Island in 1984 and White Plains in Westchester in 1985. In addition to opening offices, it also created specially designed products for mid-sized customers in such areas as cash management, trade finance, and treasury.

"We already have a wide array of products designed for our commercial

customers and are looking for the most advantageous way to deliver them," says O'Brien. "Our focus is on bringing the resources of the bank near the customer."

Senior Vice President Greg Lageman, New Jersey Markets Group, will be the senior NatWest NJ officer in Teaneck. He oversees lending to mid sized firms, defined by the bank as those from $5 million to $250 million in annual sales, in Hudson and Bergen Counties. Handling firms under $5 million in annual sales will be Carmen Trimarchi, vice president, who had been based in Fort Lee.

NatWest NJ will have 9,000 feet of office space at Glenpointe Plaza, 1,500 more than it had in Hasbrouck Heights. The bank also serves commercial customers from offices in Cherry Hill, Bridgewater, and also Atlantic City, Wall Township and Jersey City.

National Westminster Bank NJ, headquartered in Jersey City, is a subsidiary of National Westminster Bancorp, which has $22 billion in assets and 260 offices in New York and New Jersey.

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SOUTHINGTON, CT (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors have announced the planned retirement of Ralph G. Mann, president and CEO, for Dec. 31, 1991. Robert D. Morton will be joining Southington Savings Bank (NASDAQ: SSBB) on Nov. 5, 1990 as executive vice president, and chief operating officer, and upon Mann's retirement will succeed him. Morton has also been elected to the board of directors of Southington Savings Bank.

Morton comes to Southington Savings Bank with a wealth of experience and a strong banking background. Since 1971 he has been with Fleet of Connecticut and for the past three years, has served in the capacity of executive vice president, where he has managed the Money Management Division and Investment Banking Group.

Morton graduated with honors from the University of Connecticut with a B.A. in economics. He has also received a Masters in economics from Trinity College in Hartford, Conn.

The board of directors feel fortunate in being able to turn the management of Southington Savings Bank over to an individual so well qualified. Morton has stated, he looks forward to working with Mann during the coming year to insure a smooth transition.

Mann will have served the bank for 37 years at his retirement, and since 1982 as president and chief executive officer. Mann will remain a director of the

bank, and maintain an active interest in the bank.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Grant Street National Bank (in Liquidation) announced today that liquidation of several large assets was completed during September producing cash collections of more than $50 million.

Collections on these and other assets were utilized to redeem senior preferred stock held by Mellon Bank Corp. (NYSE: MEL) reducing the balance of that issue to $26.3 million at Sept. 30.

The bank also announced that it will call for redemption on Nov. 1, 1990, all outstanding Class A-2 extendable pay-through notes. Currently, approximately $60.6 million of such notes are outstanding.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Bayer Plus, aspirin plus Stomach Guard, the newest member of the Bayer product family, has been nationally introduced by Glenbrook Laboratories, the domestic over-the- counter medicines division of Sterling Drug Inc., it was announced today by Glenbrook. Shipments to the trade began on Aug. 13.

Bayer Plus, packaged in tablet counts of 24, 50 and 100, offers the benefits of 325 mg. Bayer aspirin with the addition of Stomach Guard. Stomach Guard is a mixture of active ingredients that help protect against stomach upset for users sensitive to plain aspirin.

Studies indicate that only 8 percent of consumers actually experience stomach upset with aspirin usage. Many others, however, believe that aspirin can cause stomach irritation. Bayer Plus, aspirin plus Stomach Guard, responds to the needs of these consumers who might otherwise deprive themselves of the pain relief and other advantages of Bayer aspirin.

Bayer Plus will be supported by a comprehensive consumer advertising, coupon and product sampling campaign. Direct mail will be used to explain the benefits of Bayer Plus to the medical community.

"Glenbrook recognized that consumers were concerned about stomach upset and aspirin usage. We have responded to these concerns with a genuine Bayer

product. Consumers can now realize the benefits of Bayer aspirin plus Stomach Guard for relief of body aches and pains, headaches, minor arthritis pain and, where directed by their physicians, for the prevention of second heart attacks or strokes," said Richard F. Gaccione, Glenbrook's president.

This is the second new Bayer product announced within the past year. Therapy Bayer, a 325 mg. enteric-coated aspirin caplet for use by consumers on a regular aspirin regimen, was introduced last fall.

Glenbrook Laboratories is noted for leading brand names such as Bayer aspirin, Midol pain reliever, Campho-Phenique antiseptic, Neo- Synephrine decongestant, Stri-Dex acne medication and Phillips' Milk of Magnesia. Sterling Drug Inc. is a worldwide producer and marketer of pharmaceutical and consumer health products. Guided by its Strategic Framework process and Values in Action, Sterling and its companies are a worldwide team committed to creating distinctive solutions for the needs of mankind in pharmaceutical and consumer health products.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Vertex Pharmaceuticals Incorporated and Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd., of Tokyo, Japan, announced today that they have signed an agreement to design and develop novel, orally active immunosuppressive drugs for the treatment of organ transplant rejection and autoimmune disorders such as insulin-dependent diabetes, rheumatoid arthritis, and psoriasis.

Chugai's investment in Vertex's program will total over $30 million by the time certain development goals necessary for product commercialization are achieved. The agreement with Chugai is Vertex's first strategic collaboration with a major pharmaceutical partner.

Under the terms of the agreement, Chugai will provide funding to support a five-year research effort at Vertex, called the Immunophilins Program, and will purchase a small equity interest in the company. As drug candidates are identified, Chugai will undertake the clinical development and commercialization of the immunosuppressive drugs in the Far East, their exclusive territory.

Chugai is a leading, research-based pharmaceutical company which develops and manufactures oncology, cardiovascular, metabolic and gastrointestinal drugs. The company has a growing commitment to the products of biotechnology. Chugai scientists have developed a recombinant Granulocyte-Colony Stimulating Factor, which is now in clinical development internationally for the treatment of bone marrow transplants, leukemia and various other cancers. The company launched

its recombinent erythropoietin product (Epogin)(tm) in Japan last April for the treatment of anemia associated with renal failure. The erythropoietin product, which will be marketed under the brand name Marogen(tm) in the United States, was in-licensed from Genetics Institute and developed in collaboration with Chugai-Upjohn, Inc., a joint venture in which Chugai is the majority shareholder. Marogen is currently begin reviewed by the FDA for approval in the United States. In addition, more than $170 million worth of Chugai's pioneering anti-ulcer product Carafate(R) was sold last year by its U.S. licensee.

Vertex is a privately held company founded in January of 1989 to develop human therapeutics through the integrated application of structure-based rational drug design. Vertex is using the latest advances in chemistry, biology and physics to design unique molecules based on the structural features of proteins involved in the control of disease processes. The company is focusing on three major therapeutic areas: immunology, antiviral chemotherapy and cardiovascular therapy. Vertex's goal is to become a fully integrated pharmaceutical firm by exploiting the advantages of rational drug design in the discovery and development of novel drugs.

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MAYNARD, MA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Equipment Corporation (NYSE: DEC) today announced a multi-million dollar agreement with the law firm of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C., of Boston and Washington. The firm selected Digital to design and service the computer systems and networks it needs for the 1990s.

Francis X. Meaney, Mintz, Levin president, said, "For years we have been committed to the integration of technology into the delivery of client services. Every attorney and staff member involved in the delivery of legal services already utilizes technology to provide our clients with cost-effective, responsive service. As our clients expand both here and elsewhere throughout the world and a law firm does more things to service its clients better, we require more sophisticated tools to do the job for our clients.

"We believe at this time that a distributed network using Digital's Personal Computing Systems Architecture and VAX 4000 file servers to link our workstations, PCs and other devices will best meet our needs. We believe this

design will give us more usable firepower at less cost, but with greater reliability.

"Ease of communication, the ease on integration of equipment regardless of supplier and sharing of information resources throughout the world is a key advantage of the system we are designing." Richard D. Dionne, vice president of Operations at Mintz, Levin, added, "We conducted a grueling selection process. We were looking for a financially-strong and innovative firm, flexible in approach and with a proven record of reliability. We were looking for a commitment to respond to our needs over the long term.

Mintz, Levin's Information Technology staff under the direction of Steve Bilotta, director of Information Technology, will evaluate software solutions and design, with Digital, the initial configuration of the network. Mintz, Levin's 190 lawyers make it the fifth-largest law firm headquartered in Boston.

Digital Equipment Corporation, headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

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MIDLAND, MI (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Althin Medical AB, of Lund, Sweden, and The Dow Chemical Company (NYSE: DOW) of Midland, Mich., USA, have signed a definitive purchase agreement in which Althin Medical will acquire 100 percent of the shares of CD Medical, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Dow Chemical Company. The agreement is subject to approval from the appropriate government agencies. The terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

CD Medical, located in Miami Lakes, Fla., is one of the leaders and pioneers in the field of renal care. The company manufactures membranes, membranes devices, and equipment used in the medical industry and introduced the hollow fiber artificial kidney. CD Medical's annual sales are approximately $60 million.

According to Anders Althin, founder and president of Althin Medical AB and former president and CEO of Gambro AB, Lund, Sweden, "The acquisition of CD Medical fits very well with the knowledge and background of our management, and there are positive synergies with Althin Medical's European sales organization. The structure of this transaction will considerably strengthen the capitalization of Althin Medical AB."

Mr. Althin added, "CD Medical is one of the few fully integrated companies in

the dialysis industry, which will make it possible for us to manufacture at low cost and develop several new products in-house. With this acquisition, Althin Medical becomes a worldwide organization with strong presence both in Europe and in the United States and it positions us for future growth."

Frank Whitley, general manager of Dow's Separation Systems Department and chairman of CD Medical's board of directors, said, "It's been known in the industry for some time that CD Medical no longer fits the long-term strategy of Dow's Separation Systems business. We're pleased to have found a buyer like Althin where the strategic fit is very strong. This will allow CD Medical to realize its full potential."

CD Medical has manufacturing sites in Miami Lakes and Portland, Ore., and sales offices throughout the world.

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AKRON, OH (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The three creditors' committees in the Revco D.S., Inc. chapter 11 cases, having reached agreement among themselves and with Revco's management on the terms of a reorganization plan, today filed a motion with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Ohio, eastern division, asking the court to terminate the debtors' exclusive right to file a reorganization plan, so as to allow the committees to file their own plan.

The three committees are: the official committee of unsecured noteholders, the official committee of trade creditors, and the unofficial committee of bank lenders. The committees said that their plan has been negotiated with and is supported by Revco's management. Under terms of the plan, secured creditors, comprising both bank debt and secured public debt issued before the company's 1986 leveraged buyout, would receive new secured notes. Holders of unsecured bonds issued before the leveraged buyout would receive new unsecured notes. Unsecured creditors, comprising holders of unsecured public debt and trade and other unsecured non-public debt, would receive new equity in the reorganized company. Under the further terms of the plan all potential fraudulent conveyance and other claims arising from Revco's 1986 leveraged buyout would be compromised and settled without litigation. In consideration for the compromises and settlements to be provided for under the plan, the recovery for the trade and other unsecured non-public debt would include a substantial premium, as set forth below. Existing equity would be cancelled; current equity holders would receive no recovery. Current management would remain in place.

During the exclusivity period in a bankruptcy case, a debtor-in- possession,

on behalf of the debtor's estate has the exclusive right to submit a reorganization plan to the court. In the Revco creditors' committees' motion, the court is asked to terminate the debtor's exclusive right to file a reorganization plan, so as to allow the committees' plan to be filed with the court without further delay.

Revco is an operator of retail drug stores, and filed for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code on July 28, 1988.

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - John W. Snow, president and chief executive officer of CSX Corp. (NYSE: CSX), today issued the following statement in support of the Bipartisan Budget Summit Agreement:

"The bipartisan budget package agreed to by the president and Democratic and Republican Congressional leaders is a tough but necessary dose of economic medicine for our nation. Despite reservations about various aspects of the package, I support the agreement and urge Congress to promptly enact it into law because of the overriding need to address the budget deficit crisis.

"The package imposes burdens on each one of us as individual citizens and on every sector of the economy. The railroads are called upon to pay increased retirement taxes and safety user fees. The new retirement taxes will only increase the costs of our already high payroll taxes, which are among the highest paid by any industry in the country.

"In normal times, I would be objecting vigorously to these new taxes and fees. But, these are not normal times. We will not put this difficult compromise at risk by fighting against these provisions.

"I intend to ask every member of Congress in the states we serve to support this bipartisan compromise. Prompt enactment of the agreement into law is in the best interest of the country and, therefore, in the best interest of CSX and its 53,000 employees."

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RYE BROOK, NY (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ: MCIC) has opened the first international fiber-optic cable interconnection with Mexico. The new gateway connects MCI's domestic fiber-optic network

with Mexico's telecommunications network.

This new border crossing offers MCI's customers expanded high quality data, voice, and facsimile communications with business centers in Mexico.

"MCI's gateway into Mexico's telecommunications network via a state-of-the-art digital facility will make it easier for companies to do business effectively with Mexico," said Seth Blumenfeld, president of MCI International, MCI's international subsidiary.

"The interconnection of MCI's digital network with Telmex's network will provide higher quality communications, and relieve congestion now experienced when calling Mexico from the United States," Blumenfeld said. "This new border crossing will improve our ability to offer a variety of essential business services, from voice services to dedicated private lines, high-speed data, and facsimile services."

The first of four 140 megabit per second fiber-optic connections between MCI's digital backbone network and the network of Telefonos de Mexico (Telmex), was activated in September between El Paso, Texas and Ciudad Juarez, Mexico. Three additional fiber optic border crossings will be completed by year-end. These crossings will be at Nogales, Arizona/Nogales, Mexico; McAllen, Texas/Reynosa, Mexico; and San Diego, California/Tijuana, Mexico. Before the end of the year, the MCI/Telmex connection will have a capacity equal to more than 7,600 circuits, each capable of carrying several telephone calls or digital private line services.

The activation of the newly constructed fiber-optic facilities between MCI and Telmex took place less than eight months after the agreement between the two companies was signed.

Mexico is one of the three largest telecommunications partners with the United States. The interconnections between MCI and Telmex will pave the way for more advanced offerings including MCI CALL USA, MCI International 800 Service, digital data, dedicated private lines, and other services.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Universal Foods Corporation (NYSE/PSE: UFC) today declared a 12 percent increase in the company's regular quarterly dividend on common stock. The new dividend is $.19 per share, up from $.17 per share. The increased dividend will be paid on Nov. 8, 1990 to shareholders of record Oct. 25, 1990.

Guy A. Osborn, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, said, "We

are pleased to announce this dividend increase. The directors felt such action is appropriate in view of the excellent fiscal year just completed and the company's prospects for continued strong earnings. It is the sixth dividend increase in four years and almost a 120 percent increase in the dividend rate over that time.

Universal Foods is an international manufacturer and marketer of value-added food products. These include food flavors, food colors, the world's most diversified lines of frozen potato and yeast products, and dehydrated vegetables.

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Winn-Dixie Stores, Inc. (NYSE: WIN), the Sunbelt's largest retailer, at its annual shareholders' meeting today announced sales of $2,284,662,000 for the first 12 weeks vs. $2,169,619,000 last year, a 5.3 percent increase. Net earnings were $24,393,000 or $0.62 per share for the 12 weeks ended Sept. 19, 1990, compared to $25,052,000 or $0.63 per share for the 12 weeks ended Sept. 20, 1989.

James Kufeldt, president, stated: "The first quarter results were impacted by the implementation of the Every-Day-Low-Price program in our largest division. Operating expenses were affected by the start-up costs of the new distribution center in Hammond, La. We also invested in additional training during the first quarter having all 31,246 cashiers go through a newly developed program with improved emphasis on our customer service commitment."

Shareholders re-elected J. Shepard Bryan Jr., Armando M. Codina, A.D. Davis and Radford D. Lovett as directors for three-year terms expiring in 1993. The shareholders also took action to increase the number of authorized shares from 50 million shares to 100 million shares to implement the 2-for-1 stock split to be effective Oct. 31, 1990. Approximately 39,670,000 shares are currently outstanding.

The board of directors today declared dividends in the amount of $0.09 cents per share per month on a post-split basis for the months of November and December 1990, payable on Dec. 3, 1990 and Jan. 2, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 15 and Dec. 17, 1990, respectively. The dividend rate reflects a 9.1 percent increase effective since July 1990.

The board of directors elected Dan G. Lafever, 42, a vice president. Lafever is the division manager of the Orlando Division and has 24 years of service.

Winn-Dixie opened 11 new stores, averaging 38,000 square feet, closed six older stores averaging 24,400 square feet and remodeled or enlarged nine store

locations, having 1,222 locations in operation on Sept. 19, 1990 compared to 1,227 last year. Twenty-seven new stores are under construction.

CONTACT: R.P. McCook, financial vice president of Winn-Dixie Stores, Inc., 904-783-5000.

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DETROIT (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Philip Caldwell, who successfully led Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) through some of its most trying and challenging times, will be inducted into the Automotive Hall of Fame tonight in ceremonies at the Detroit Westin Hotel.

The Automotive Hall of Fame annually inducts men and women who have made significant contributions to the automotive industry. It was founded in 1939 and is located in Midland, Mich.

Succeeding Henry Ford II, Caldwell became chief executive officer of Ford Motor Company in October 1979, and chairman of the board in March 1980. He retired from the company on Feb. 1, 1985, and is now senior managing director of Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. in New York City.

Caldwell was the first non-member of the Ford family to head Ford Motor Company in modern times, but he is remembered for far more than that.

It was he who led the dramatic turnaround of Ford during his tenure from 1980 to 1985 as chairman and chief executive officer. With an emphasis on the fundamentals -- innovative products for consumers, best quality, lowest cost, and genuine cooperation and teamwork throughout the work force -- Ford's turnaround was a major contribution to the U.S. automobile industry, and became a model widely copied throughout American industry.

Caldwell made quality Ford's No. 1 objective, achieving a 50-percent improvement. During his tenure, 47 new-model cars and trucks were introduced worldwide, including the pioneering aerodynamic designs which won broad acceptance for Ford products and influenced automotive design throughout the world. Under his leadership, the company reduced operating costs by $5 billion annually while authorizing record expenditures of $21 billion for new products, plants, machinery and tooling.

The results of Caldwell's leadership were impressive. The company increased its U.S. market share from 16.6 percent in 1981 to 19.2 percent in 1984. Following record losses of $3.3 billion in the automotive depression years of 1980-82, Ford achieved record profits in 1983 and 1984. Stockholders saw the per-share value of their holdings skyrocket fivefold from 1980 to 1985.

Much of Caldwell's success at Ford can be attributed to his skills as business

strategist, motivator and manager. He was the first automotive chairman to go to the bargaining table and to sign a national labor agreement, including the first and most successful major profit-sharing agreement in the industry.

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WEST ORANGE, NJ (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Micro Healthsystems, Inc. (NASDAQ: MCHS) announced today that it has reached agreement with Baxter Healthcare Corporation, a subsidiary of Baxter International (NYSE: BAX) to distribute its MedTake(R) Patient Care System. The marketing agreement "is designed to enable our MedTake System to capitalize upon its already dominant position in the North American marketplace by providing increased marketing and sales focus," according to S. M. Caravetta, Micro Healthsystems' chairman. "MedTake will also concentrate on the expansion of its Bedside Nursing Patient Care System in usage in ICU/CCU, emergency rooms and other hospital departments, sharply accelerating our potential growth in sales and profits," he stated.

In describing the market opportunity, Caravetta noted that "Bedside Charting and Patient Care Systems was judged to be the new growth areas for the 1990's in hospital automation by 87 percent of the managers of information systems at a recent HIMSS convention in New Orleans. This, coupled with an Arthur D. Little study which predicted that by 1996 most U.S. hospital beds will be serviced by these units, creates a highly focused market opportunity for Micro Healthsystems and Baxter."

Under the agreement, Baxter will establish a business unit including a dedicated sales force, for the exclusive distribution of the MedTake Bedside Nursing Patient Care Systems in the United States and Canada.

Although Baxter will be the exclusive distributor, the contracts for installation of the system and ongoing hardware and software service agreements will be signed by the hospitals and MedTake. Caravetta added that these five-year service licensing agreements call for MedTake to directly receive maintenance, up-grade and renewal fees.

Said Lester B. Knight, president of the Parenterals Division of Baxter Healthcare Corporation: "This new technology has the potential for explosive growth. It clearly is the leader in nursing productivity systems, one of the primary growth areas in the next decade. The benefits derived from the system will help hospitals make major strides in their efforts to deal with the widespread nursing shortage. The integration of MedTake with our devices will certainly add incremental value for our customers."

While the MedTake system and its integration with Baxter devices will be serving an important need in the marketplace, Knight added that "the marketing

alliance will also accelerate the interests of both of our companies. We are particularly excited to have it join our expanding portfolio of products and services designed to assist the nursing community and to explore the opportunities to complement the efforts of Spectrum Healthcare Solutions, a partnership formed of subsidiaries of IBM and Baxter."

Caravetta added that "this new relationship re-enforces the already excellent growth trend demonstrated by Micro Healthsystems." For the first quarter ended June 30, 1990, Micro Healthsystems reported a 66 percent increase in sales to $2,705,000 from $1,627,000 and a 106 percent increase in earnings to $452,000, or $.22 per share, from $219,000, or $.12 per share. For the year ended Mar. 31, 1990 sales were a record $7,449,000 up 40 percent from $5,321,000, and net earnings rose 147 percent to $911,000 or $.49 per share.

In addition to its Bedside Nursing Patient Care Systems, Micro Healthsystems offers hospital clients a series of Healthcare Financial Management products, including an Inpatient Management System; an Integrated Hospital Financial System; a Home Care Management System; a Physician's Billing and Management System for hospital-based and private physician group practices; and a facilities management program for out- patient billing and accounts receivable to hospitals, utilizing Micro Healthsystems' own staff.

Baxter Healthcare Corporation is the primary U.S. operating subsidiary of Baxter International, headquartered in Deerfield, Ill. Baxter is the leader worldwide in manufacturing and marketing of healthcare products and services.

CONTACT: S. M. Caravetta, chairman, or Walter Cruickshank, treasurer, both of Micro Healthsystems, 201-731-9252; or Greg Young of Baxter Healthcare, 708-270-4802

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#90276p0960 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SMITHTOWN, NY (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - United-Guardian, Inc. (AMEX: UG) today announced that it is beginning commercial distribution of Renacidin(R) Irrigation, its patented new drug for dissolving certain types of kidney stones.

The company expects to make the first shipments of Renacidin Irrigation in eight to 12 weeks, and sales are expected to reach $4-6 million during the first full year of marketing, which should contribute pretax earnings of approximately $.20 to $.30 per share, according to Dr. Alfred R. Globus, United-Guardian's chairman and chief executive officer.

Renacidin Irrigation may be used to completely dissolve certain types of kidney stones, offering an alternative to surgery, which involves a high degree of risk. It can also be used in conjunction with lithotripsy or laser treatments, which break up stones but can leave fragments which, if not

completely removed or dissolved, can provide a base around which other stones may form.

"We are very pleased to be able to make Renacidin Irrigation available to thousands of kidney stone sufferers in the United States We anticipate that this product will be a tremendous success for the indicated types of treatment " Globus said. He noted that the recently approved patent protection substantially increases the period of exclusively over the orphan drug status already accorded the product.

Renacidin Irrigation will be marketed through full-line wholesalers to major hospitals throughout the United States, as well as to clinics and nursing homes. This product is non-pyrogenic and ready to use in sterile form. In addition to dissolving certain types of kidney stones, it can be used to prevent build-up of calcium deposits in indwelling urinary catheters or in the bladder.

Full product information is available on request. United-Guardian, Inc. develops and manufactures pharmaceuticals, specialty and fine chemicals, and cosmetic bases for a wide range of industries.

CONTACT: Dr. Alfred Globus, chairman and CEO of United-Guardian, 516-273-0900 or Stan Froelich of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for United-Guardian.

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MANHASSET, NY (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Oncogene Science, Inc. (NASDAQ: ONC), announced today that John R. Stephenson, Ph.D. has been appointed executive vice president and chief scientific officer for Oncogene Science.

In this capacity, Stephenson will have overall responsibility for the scientific management of the company, including outside scientific collaborations with institutions and corporate partners, such as the current Pfizer cancer therapeutics collaboration in which Pfizer recently announced its desire to extend for a multi-year period.

Stephenson was a founder of Oncogene Science, Inc., which was started in 1983, and also serves as a member of the company's board of directors. He previously served as chief of the Carcinogenesis Section at the National Cancer Institute.

Oncogene Science, Inc., using proprietary oncogene-related and growth factor technologies, is in the business of developing biopharmaceutical products for the research, diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other cell control-linked diseases.

Bio-Technology General Corp. is engaged in the research, development and

manufacture of genetically engineered products for human and animal health care.

CONTACT: Robert L. Van Nostrand of Oncogene Science, 516-365-9300, or Claudia Mueller or Anthony J. Russo of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for Oncogene.

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#90276p0984 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Penn Treaty American Corp. (NASDAQ: PTAC) today announced that it has authorized the purchase from time to time of up to an additional 50,000 shares of its common stock, in open market transactions or otherwise at available prices.

The company has been informed that Irving Levit, chairman of the board, and members of his family may also purchase shares of the common stock.

The company previously announced in August 1990 that it had authorized the purchase of up to 50,000 shares of its common stock. Since that date, the company has purchased 43,000 shares of its common stock in open market transactions pursuant thereto.

The company said that the prior purchases were made and the additional purchases were authorized because it believes the market price of its common stock is less than the underlying value thereof. The company also said the timing and the number of shares which may be purchased each day, will be in line with SEC rules and market conditions.

General funds of the company will be used to purchase the shares for the company. Personal funds of Levit and his family will be used for their purchases. At the present time, there are approximately 3,175,448 shares of common stock outstanding.

Penn Treaty American Corp., through its direct and indirect wholly owned subsidiaries, is primarily engaged in the underwriting, marketing and sale of individual, fixed, defined benefit accident and health insurance policies covering principally long-term skilled, intermediate and custodial nursing home care and home health care.

CONTACT: Michael F. Grill, treasurer of Penn Treaty American, 800-222-3469

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MENOMONEE FALLS, WI (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of F&M Financial Services Corp. (NASDAQ: FMFS) has voted to issue a quarterly dividend at 8.8 cents ($0.088) per share of common stock. This is equal to the

amount of the previous quarterly dividend.

The dividend is payable Oct. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Oct. 8, 1990. Currently, F&M Financial has more than 2.9 million shares of common stock outstanding.

F&M Financial Services Corp. is a diversified multibank holding company headquartered in Menomonee Falls, with 38 banking offices throughout the state. F&M also has four nonbank subsidiaries, which are: F&M Trust Co., Inc.; Leasenu, Inc., a full-line leasing company; F&M Insurance Services, Ltd.; and F&M Realty, Inc.

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WAYNE, PA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Orthopedic Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: OSII) today announced the promotion of Thomas R. Bart, C.O. Midwest regional president to the newly created position of corporate vice president of development, and Brian G. Murphy from the position of vice president to president of the Midwest region, and the appointment of Thomas M. Nojunas to eastern regional president.

Tom Bart, past president of the American Orthotic and Prosthetic Association (AOPA), the industry trade organization, has 25 years of experience in the fields of orthotics and prosthetics. His responsibilities will include periodic visits to OSI regions and branches to discuss industry issues, solutions and new ideas with company practitioners. In addition, Tom will attend to O&P industry relations and the further development of the company's government relations program.

Brian G. Murphy has been with OSI since June of 1989. Previously, he held several positions at Heritage Health Systems, Inc., an HMO management company. Most recently at Heritage, he was president and C.O. of AmeriPlan, an 80,000 member HMO in Atlanta.

Tom M. Nojunas has an extensive background in rehabilitation services as the former CEO of Bryn Mawr Rehabilitation Hospital located outside Philadelphia.

"The promotion and appointment of these three individuals maximizes the value of their individual experience to OSI," said OSI president, Jeffrey S. Levitt. He added, "Tom Bart's 25 years of O&P experience will enhance the perspective of the OSI corporate team. Brian Murphy's management experience will be key in the further development of OSI's midwest region, the company's largest region, and Tom Nojunas's familiarity with physicians, therapists and others who are instrumental to the rehabilitation team will play an important role in

the development of the company's newer eastern region."

Orthopedic rehabilitation is the fitting, design and fabrication of custom-made braces and support devices for the treatment of musculoskeletal conditions resulting from illness, injury or congenital abnormalities. Prosthetic rehabilitation is the fitting and fabrication of custom-made artificial limbs required by people who have suffered the loss of a limb from vascular disease, diabetes, cancer or traumatic injuries.

OSI is the largest provider of patient care services in the orthotic and prosthetic rehabilitation segment of the healthcare industry. OSI currently provides services through 56 patient care centers in 13 states.

CONTACT: Jeffrey S. Levitt, president of Orthopedic Services, 215-687-8080; or Susan N. Noonan of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for Orthopedic Services

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#90276p0992 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Silicon Graphics Inc. (NYSE: SGI) today announced a licensing agreement with Adobe(R) (NASDAQ: ADBE) for Display PostScript(R) to run on the entire line of IRIS 4D(TM) workstations. This will be the first 32-bit color implementation to run under industry standard X(TM) and will be integrated into the Silicon Graphics operating system.

Silicon Graphics will combine the standards X and OST/Motif(TM) with the publishing standard Display PostScript to enhance support for color publishing software development. Integrating Display PostScript, X and Silicon Graphics's Graphics Library(TM) imaging models into one system will provide tremendous flexibility for developers and users. Developers will be able to choose the imaging model most appropriate for their applications. This support will make Silicon Graphics the first open platform for full color publishing.

Support for Display PostScript will provide Silicon Graphics' users with true WYSIWYG (what you see is what you get) between their display and their printer, support for Adobe Type 1 fonts and access to the entire Adobe Type Library.

"The computer power required by color publishing has made this market a prime growth area for UNIX workstations. Our leading graphics and CPU power combined with Display PostScript support will enhance the IRIS 4D workstation platform for color publishing software developers," commented Ed McCracken, president and chief executive officer of Silicon Graphics. "We are excited to be working with Adobe and to be offering solutions based on the PostScript standards."

Silicon Graphics Inc. is the leading manufacturer of high performance workstations and computing systems for visual processing applications. These workstations are used by engineers, scientists and creative professionals in the design, analysis, manufacture and simulation of three dimensional products.

IRIS is a registered trademark and IRIS 4D and Graphics Library are trademarks of Silicon Graphics Inc. X Window System is a trademark of Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Motif is a trademark of the Open Software Foundation Inc. Adobe and Display PostScript are registered trademarks of Adobe Systems Inc. UNIX is a registered trademark of UNIX System Laboratories Inc.

CONTACT: Betsy Wahlquist of Silicon Graphics, 415-962-3529; or David Downing of Adobe Systems, 415-962-6055

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Chiquita Brands International, Inc.'s (NYSE: CQB) John Morrell & Co. unit, one of the largest U.S. full-line meat packers and processors, announced today the purchase of the Dinner Bell(TM) brand of processed meat products and a closed processing facility in Wilson, N.C., from Dinner Bell Foods, Inc. in Defiance, Ohio.

The purchase price was not disclosed.

"The Dinner Bell(TM) brand is an attractive addition because its quality image is in keeping with John Morrell's philosophy of producing the best-quality products," said Milton J. Schloss, John Morrell chairman. "We will continue to use the same high standards and formulas which have built strong consumer confidece in this brand." The acquisition of the long-established Dinner Bell(TM) brand includes the trademarks, formulas and package designs that have made it a leading regional brand.

The product line includes hot dogs, sliced luncheon meat, smoked sausage, sliced bacon and smoked ham. The brand's revenues totaled approximately $100 million in the last year.

The pre-existing sales organization will continue to service the Dinner Bell(TM) brand customers.

Chiquita Brands, headquartered in Cincinnati, is a leading international marketer, processor and producer of quality fresh and prepared food products. Revenues in 1989 were $3.8 billion.

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#90276p1000 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, IN (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - In a joint statement today, Arvin Sango, Inc. (ASI), the city of Madison, and the Madison Industrial Development Corporation (MIDCOR) announced an $18 million expansion of Arvin Sango's current production facility in Madison, Ind. Arvin Sango, Inc., is a 50-50 joint venture between Arvin Industries, Inc. (NYSE: ARV), and Sango Company, Ltd., to manufacture automotive parts in North America. The expansion project will include investment in both new plant and manufacturing equipment to support additional automotive parts contracts, significantly broadening the company's manufacturing capabilities.

The Arvin Sango expansion will increase the company's manufacturing facility by approximately 104,000 square feet to a total of 223,000 square feet, bringing with it approximately 150 new jobs, equal to ASI's current Madison employment. Approximately two-thirds of the company's investment will be used to purchase additional muffler manufacturing equipment and 10 heavy duty stamping presses capable of delivering up to 500 tons of force.

Stamping operations will be housed in a specially designed press gallery in the new addition. New automotive products produced in the press gallery will include gas tanks and structural body parts.

Speaking for the city of Madison, Mayor Morris Wooden stated, "I appreciate Arvin Sango's commitment to Madison and consider ASI to be a real asset to the community. The city is also appreciative of the quality work force in the area which attracts companies such as ASI to invest and expand in Madison." The mayor added that the city hopes to further strengthen the number of qualified workers in Madison by making a training grant available to ASI for the new employees it will be hiring. He closed by saying, "The city is looking forward to a great future with Arvin Sango."

Thomas Hambrick, president of MIDCOR, speaking for all the MIDCOR board members, congratulated ASI on its success and its continued growth in Madison.

Gregg Notestine, secretary and treasurer of Arvin Sango, stated, "Arvin Sango's growth and success is based upon the support ASI receives from the community and the diligent efforts of the ASI members who are drawn from the surrounding region."

Arvin Industries, Inc., an Indiana corporation, is a global company whose products are sold in more than 100 countries in North and South America, the European Common Market, the Pacific Rim and the Third World.

CONTACT: William Kendall, 812-379-3285, or Fred Meyer, 812-379-3741, both of Arvin Industries, Inc.

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#90276p1007 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSIWRE - Radius Inc.(TM) (NASDAQ: RDUS), today announced a Macintosh technology for the compression, storage, and decompression of still images. The technology, shown for the first time at Seybold, can achieve compression ratios of megabyte images of up to 50-to-1 in only a few seconds. This allows large still images to be reduced for easier storage, manipulation and transmission. A Radius product based on the technology will ship in the fourth quarter of 1990 and will list for approximately $300.

The large storage capacity required for full color images is a major inhibiting factor in desktop publishing. When a typical digitized four by seven inch, 300 dpi color photograph represents as much as 7.6 megabytes, image size becomes an issue. Radius' compression technology rapidly compresses 24, 16, or 8-bit color images and 8-bit gray scale images. At compression ratios of up to 50-to-1, disk capacity can be greatly enhanced.

A software compression solution provides optimum price/performance for publishing applications that deal with still images. Software is flexible and cost effective. A software solution can cost as little as $200 to $400, while a hardware solution can cost from $1,000 to $2,000.

Compressed data requires less time to transmit over networks and modems. The Radius compression technology will increase network bandwidth and reduce transmission costs. The Radius compression technology is fast as well as efficient. For example, a three-quarter megabyte, full color 24-bit image can be compressed to 25K in less than six seconds on a Macintosh IIcx and under three seconds on a Macintosh IIfx.

The Radius technology conforms to the international Joint Photographic Experts Group (JPEG) standard, enabling cross platform transfer and worldwide exchange of data. JPEG will establish a common compression format, allowing easy transfer and exchange of picture data among many software and hardware environments. Because the Radius compression technology is software based, it readily provides the flexibility to accomodate any revisions in the JPEG proposal as it is currently evolving.

Radius Inc. is the leading supplier of high performance visual computing systems for personal computers. Radius products are available through a worldwide network of Radius Authorized Resellers and System Integrators. Public since August 1990, Radius trades under the NASDAQ symbol RDUS.

CONTACT: Jeneane Harter of Radius, 408-434-1010.

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#90276p1016 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - United HealthCare Corporation (UHC) (NASDAQ: UNIH) said today that it has signed a letter of intent with Aetna Life Insurance Company, whereby UHC's wholly owned health plan in Milwaukee, PrimeCare Health Plan, Inc., will assume the group contracts covering the Milwaukee-area members of "Choice," Aetna Health Care Assurance Programs of Wisconsin. The transfer of Choice member contracts to 99,000-member PrimeCare will be subject to the signing of a definitive agreement and receipt of regulatory approval. Terms of the agreement were not announced.

UHC President and Chief Operating Officer William W. McGuire said that the step is a continuation of UHC's strategy of concentrating health plan membership volume in promising markets where the company already has successful operations. "PrimeCare immediately gains the economies of scale associated with this increase in membership. Longer term, PrimeCare will have a marketing advantage in retaining the member groups involved," Dr. McGuire said. Choice currently has approximately 9,500 members.

United HealthCare Corporation is a national leader in health care cost management, serving both the providers and purchasers of health care since 1974. The company's services include HMOs, PPOs, multiple option and point of service plans, pharmaceutical cost management, managed mental health and substance abuse services, utilization management, workers compensation/casualty services, specialized provider networks, employee assistance services, Medicare and managed care programs for the aged, health care evaluation services, and administrative services.

Combined, the company's health plans and specialty businesses serve more than six million lives nationwide. More than 8,000 employers use United HealthCare services or offer them to their employees.

CONTACT: David P. Koppe, 612-939-7760, or Noreen L. Suntrup, 612-936-1125, both of United HealthCare Corporation.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Stanford Telecommunications, Inc. (NASDAQ: STII) announced that it has received notification of award of an $8.3 million contract from the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command, Fort Monmouth, N.J. The contract will consist of a six-month basic period commencing Oct. 1, 1990, with three two-month options. The effort will be incrementally funded.

The Government Systems Services Division, located in Colorado Springs, Colo., will provide the on-site operations and maintenance of the DOSS, consisting of operational support and analysis, software maintenance, hardware maintenance, training and installation support of the Defense Satellite Communications System (DSCS) Operational Control System (DOCS). In addition to the DOSS,

support of the DSCS Automatic Spectrum Analyzer (DASA) systems, SMART Multi-Circuit Terminal (SMCT) systems, and DOSS training are provided.

Stanford Telecom designs, manufactures and operates electronic systems primarily for space programs for Government and commercial customers. These systems provide a variety of functions, including satellite navigation, communications, earth observation and tracking, and telemetry and control for fixed stations as well as mobile and airborne users.

CONTACT: Gary Wolf of Stanford Telecom, 408-748-1010.

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#90276p1020 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) today said its major press releases and information about the company will be available to the media and general public through a database, Corporate Data Exchange (CDX).

Information can be accessed for at least one year after posting. CDX was established by LaFountain Research Corp. to facilitate the information flow from companies. Information is available on CDX 24 hours a day, seven days a week, free to users, including journalists, students, brokerage firms and institutional investors.

Du Pont's releases on PR Newswire are captured by CDX immediately and available in simple ASCII format or as Lotus 1-2-3 spreadsheets.

Anyone with a modem-equipped PC can log on to and access CDX by setting the software to 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit and dialing 609-683-4422. At the "connect" signal, press "enter." At the : prompt, type hello user.cdx then "enter."

Users needing help or logon instructions may call LaFountain Research, Princeton, N.J., at 609-683-9191. Step-by-step instructions from LaFountain Research can also be faxed to users.

CONTACT: Loretta Clevenger of Du Pont, 302-774-6695.

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BROOMFIELD, CO (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - HealthWatch Inc. (NASDAQ: HEAL) today announced that it has signed an agreement with Life Sciences Inc. pursuant to which Life Sciences will be merged into HealthWatch's recently formed HealthWatch Technologies subsidiary. Life Sciences is a privately owned company engaged in the manufacture and marketing of non-invasive diagnostic equipment for vascular disease assessment.

The agreement, which is contingent on, among other things, approval by the Life Sciences stockholders, provides for the issuance to the Life Sciences stockholders of 600,000 shares of HealthWatch's common stock. HealthWatch has 2.4 million outstanding shares of common stock.

"The acquisition of Life Sciences is a major step in the development of HealthWatch Technologies into a premier medical products company through the acquisition of mature companies with complementary products, services and markets," said Sanford L. Schwartz, president and CEO of HealthWatch. Life Sciences will be HealthWatch Technologies' second acquisition. In June 1990, HealthWatch Technologies acquired the assets of Telemed, a 20-year- old company which develops electrocardiographic diagnostic equipment, software and services for hospitals, clinics and physicians.

HealthWatch was founded in 1983. In December 1988, HealthWatch completed the sale of seven of its eight Denver-area medical centers to Rose Hospital. In May 1989, HealthWatch completed the acquisition of Discovery Technologies Inc. a teleradiology (FilmFax) imaging systems company.

CONTACT: Carrie Ross, 708-291-1616 of S&S Public Relations for HealthWatch Inc.

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#90276p1028 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Castle Harlan Inc., a New York merchant bank and an affiliate of Quantum, a $2 billion investment fund, said today a federal bankruptcy court approved their disclosure statement relating to a plan of reorganization to bring Sharon Steel out of Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings.

Castle Harlan and Quantum said that Federal Bankruptcy Court Judge Warren H. Bentz of the Western District of Pennsylvania directed that the disclosure statement be mailed to Sharon's creditors for a vote on or before Oct. 8 and set Nov. 8 as the deadline for voting.

Bentz scheduled the confirmation hearing for Nov. 15 in Pittsburgh, at which time he could, assuming a favorable vote, approve and confirm the plan.

Castle Harlan and Quantum said their plan has the support of the United Steel Workers representing Sharon employees and retirees, of the official creditors committee, of F.E. Agnew III, the bankruptcy court trustee overseeing the Sharon Steel reorganization, and of most other interested parties.

Sharon Steel filed for protection from its creditors under the federal bankruptcy laws in April 1987.

The company's headquarters is in Farrell, Pa. Sharon operates an integrated

steel mill producing 1.2 million tons per year and concentrating on the specialty steel business. It also has other subsidiaries, including Mueller Brass Co. and a Natural Resources segment with coal, copper and gold properties.

Under the plan filed by Castle Harlan and Quantum, an affiliate of Castle Harlan will acquire Sharon's steel assets and assume certain steel-related liabilities in a transaction totaling more than $300 million.

The plan also calls for Quantum, the largest unsecured Sharon creditor, and for certain other unsecured creditors to provide $50 million of new equity to the reorganized company. The unsecured creditors will convert their claims to equity in the reorganized company, whose operations include Mueller Brass and Natural Resources.

These unsecured creditors shall have rights to receive within one year from consummation of the plan $25 million in cash. Current shareholders of Sharon will receive no distribution of cash or stock under the plan.

Raymond H. Wechsler, financial adviser to Quantum Fund, will be chairman, president and chief executive officer of the reorganized company.

The Castle Harlan group includes Walter Sieckman, former chief operating officer of Sharon Steel, and Wolfgang Jansen, former executive vice president. They will be co-chairman of the reorganized steel company, and Sieckman will be the chief executive officer.

Castle Harlan has received all necessary financing commitments (which are subject to various conditions) for the transaction, in part through a syndicate of five banks led by Citibank N.A. Arrangements for approximately $60 million of preferred and common equity have also been completed.

Castle Harlan has said it plans to offer current Sharon employees positions in the reorganized company, and the health and pension benefits of Sharon retirees will be preserved.

The firm has also reached agreement with the Pension Benefit Guarantee Corporation on minimum funding obligations for the Sharon Steel pension funds and with Cleveland-Cliffs Inc. on a bankruptcy settlement agreement and a long-term iron ore supply contract.

Castle Harlan was founded in 1987 by John Castle, former president and chief executive officer of the brokerage firm Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette, and Leonard Harlan, chief executive of The Harlan Company, a leading real estate advisor, investment and development company.

Other companies in the Castle Harlan portfolio include Delaware Management Company, a Philadelphia money manager with more than $22 billion in pension

and mutual fund assets, Ethan Allen, the well-known furniture company, and Jerrico Inc., operator of some 1,500 Long John Silver's quick-service seafood shops.

It also owns Quantum Restaurant Group, parent of Peasant Restaurants, an Atlanta-based chain, and Morton's of Chicago, a steakhouse chain with restaurants in major cities around the country. Quantum Restaurant Group has no connection with Quantum.

Quantum is an internationally diversified investment fund of more then $2 billion that is managed by Soros Fund Management of New York. It was established in 1973 in the Netherlands Antilles.

The steel company has approximately 2,500 employees and revenues of about $500 million. The non-steel companies employ approximately 2,500 employees and have revenues in excess of $500 million.

Castle Harlan has said that a major capital investment program is planned for Sharon Steel after the reorganization, including the installation of a continuous caster.

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ROME, GA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Oglethorpe Power Corp. today announced the awarding of a $158 million contract to Power Plant Constructors for major work at its Rocky Mountain Project, a pumped storage facility near Rome, Ga.

Power Plant Constructors is a joint venture of National Projects Inc., of Boise, Idaho, and Clement Brothers Co. of Hickory, N.C.

The contract includes construction of a ring dike for the facility's upper reservoir, seven dams, the powerhouse, installation of three pump-turbines and generator-motors, as well as other miscellaneous work.

Senior Project Manager Dale R. Murphy said initial work will include clearing land and construction of access roads and one of the eight dams that will impound the 1,200-acre lower reservoir.

"We expect Power Plant Constructors to begin mobilizing at the site within the next month," said Murphy, "with major work starting in the spring of 1991."

According to Murphy, the project will employ between 700 and 800 workers during peak construction activity -- from 1991 to 1993. Many of those hired are expected to be northwest Georgia residents.

"In addition to a multi-million-dollar payroll, the project also is expected to generate several million dollars in property taxes during the construction period," Murphy said.

Work on the project is expected to be completed by May 31, 1995. Oglethorpe Power assumed control of the incomplete Rocky Mountain Project from Georgia Power Co. in December 1988. With a licensed generating capacity of 760,000 kilowatts, Rocky Mountain will be the corporation's largest construction and operation project ever.

The Rocky Mountain Project will produce power by releasing water from the upper reservoir through a series of tunnels to power three turbine generators. Later in the cycle when excess power is available from other plants, the turbines will be reversed, pumping the water back to the upper reservoir to be used again.

Oglethorpe Power Corp. is a generation and transmission cooperative providing electric power to 39 of Georgia's 42 consumer-owned Electric Membership Corporations (EMCs). These EMCs serve more than 2 million Georgians in about 71 percent of the state's land area.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Global Aviation Associates, Ltd. (ga2) announced yesterday that Rosalind K. Ellingsworth has been appointed vice president for marketing and government relations.

Ellingsworth, former editor of Aviation Daily, joined ga2 in March as an associate. She has had extensive experience in the civil aviation industry including several years as assistant director of the Office of International Aviation, U.S. Department of Transportation.

ga2 also announced that David F. Hoppin, formerly with Airline Capital Associates of New York, has joined the firm as manager-special projects. Hoppin specializes in airline financial and operational matters involving corporate mergers and acquisitions. He held posts with Bankers Trust Company of New York and The Northern Trust Company of Illinois.

The company also announced that Geoffrey H. Lipman will relinquish his position as managing director-Europe but will remain on the board of directors of ga2. Lipman will become the president of The World Trade and Tourism Council (WTTC), a coalition of CEOs representing all sectors of the travel and tourism industry around the world.

Lipman will assume his position at the WTTC Jan. 1, 1991. Until that date, Lipman will continue to manage ga2's European-based offices. ga2 will announce a new managing director-Europe in the near future.

Global Aviation Associates, Ltd. is a consulting group providing clients with comprehensive aeropolitical, financial, economic, strategic planning and policy analysis services from its offices in Washington, Brussels, Belgium and Geneva.

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DALLAS, (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Capital Equities Corp. has certified that ConCap Equities, Inc. has now been elected successor managing general partner of all 16 public real estate limited partnerships, in place of Consolidated Capital Equities Corp. (CCEC).

John A. Doyle, president of CCEC stated, "The overwhelming endorsement by the investors in all 16 partnerships is important to the future of each of the funds and allows CCEC to successfully conclude its reorganization which commenced in December 1988. ConCap will focus its attention over the next few months on improving operations at the individual properties which are owned by the partnerships."

ConCap Equities Inc. is affiliated with four regional property management companies: R & B Enterprises, The Hayman Co., Metroplex Inc. and Horn-Barlow Companies. The four companies will collectively manage over 150 residential and commercial properties for ConCap's partnerships.

The 16 limited partnerships electing ConCap are: Consolidated Capital Properties, Consolidated Capital Properties II, Consolidated Capital Properties III, Consolidated Capital Properties IV, Consolidated Capital Properties V, Consolidated Capital Properties VI, Consolidated Capital Properties VII, Consolidated Capital Institutional Properties, Consolidated Capital Institutional Properties/2, Consolidated Capital Institutional Properties/3, Johnstown/Consolidated Income Partners, Johnstown/Consolidated Income Partners/2, Consolidated Capital Growth Fund, Multi-Benefit Realty Fund '87, Consolidated Capital Venture Properties and Institutional Properties/4.

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MILWAUKEE, (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - PrimeCare Health Plan, Inc. said today that

it will assume the contracts covering the group members of "Choice," Aetna Health Care Assurance Programs of Wisconsin. According to a letter of intent signed by PrimeCare's parent company, United HealthCare Corporation (NASDAQ: UNIH), and Aetna Life Insurance Company, and subject to the signing of a definitive agreement and receipt of regulatory approval, PrimeCare will assume the Choice members retroactive to Oct. 1, 1990. The contracts involved currently cover approximately 9,500 Milwaukee Choice members.

PrimeCare Chief Executive Officer Larry Rambo said that Choice members and their employers soon will receive detailed information explaining the transfer of the administration of their health care coverage to PrimeCare. "Letters and detailed information will be sent to Choice members and their employers as soon as regulatory approval is received," Mr. Rambo said. "We want to answer every question anyone might have and make this transition as smooth as possible for everyone."

Mr. Rambo said that Choice members' current benefits and premium rates will remain in effect for the duration of their present contracts, and that PrimeCare also intends to maintain existing relationships with Choice IPA physician groups during that period. "We think everyone will be pleased with our services during this transitional period and, later, with the range of benefits available to renewing PrimeCare members.

"Our objective is to make this administrative transfer nearly invisible to the members and physicians involved," Mr. Rambo said.

After reviewing materials that will be sent to them, Choice members or employers who have additional questions about the transition may contact PrimeCare's Member Services Department at 414-259-4802.

PrimeCare, a 99,000-member health plan, has served the Milwaukee area since 1983. PrimeCare is a member of the United HealthCare Corporation family of services. Minnesota-based United HealthCare serves more than six million persons nationwide through its health plans and managed health care specialty businesses.

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#90276p1038 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Sales of 5,268 Lexus LS 400 and ES 250 models were up 15.7 percent in September compared to September 1989, the introductory month for the luxury division of Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc., according to sales figures released today.

The boost was primarily the result of strong ES 250 sales, up 51 percent to 1,682. Sales of the LS 400 were up 4.3 percent to 3,586. The strong September

1989 introduction sales of the LS 400 were the car's best during its first six months.

"This is an excellent indication of how well the ES 250 has caught on," noted Dave Illingworth, Lexus vice president and general manager. "The LS 400 received all the advance publicity and has been strong from day one. The ES 250 took a little longer to get started, but dealers have been selling more than 1,500 a month since March. The ES 250 now accounts for about one-third of all Lexus sales and this balance is one of the keys to the division's success."

Year-to-date Lexus sales moved to 45,414 -- 30,103 LS 400s and 15,311 ES 250s. Both vehicles remain in short supply with Lexus dealers having about a 15-day total supply.

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#90276p1039 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Trustees of HRE Properties (NYSE: HRE) announced the appointment today of Peter Herrick as trustee. Herrick is currently vice chairman and director of The Bank of New York and president and director of The Bank of New York Company, Inc. Herrick is also a director of Skandia America Corporation, Skandia America Reinsurance Corporation, Hudson Insurance Corporation and MasterCard International Inc. Herrick is active in the New York business community serving in various capacities including vice chairman of the executive committee of the Better Business Bureau of Metropolitan New York. He is a member of the New York State Banking Board, The British-North American Committee, The Economic Club of New York and is a Trustee of Hood College. Herrick is a former director and president of The New York State Bankers Association.

Charles J. Urstadt, chairman and chief executive officer, commenting on the appointment said, "We welcome Mr. Herrick to HRE's board of trustees. Mr. Herrick's experience, dedication, and banking expertise are invaluable. He is an excellent addition to the board."

HRE Properties is a self-administered equity real estate investment trust providing investors with a means of participating in ownership of income-producing properties with investment liquidity.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Chartwell Associates L.P. reported today that

its representatives have resigned from Avon's special committee because events circumstances and attitudes at Avon have demonstrated repeatedly and clearly over the past five months that neither the special committee selected by the board of directors, nor Avon senior management, has any desire or determination to fulfill the committee's original charge to investigate ways to "enhance shareholder value."

The special committee, consisting of six Avon board members, including two Chartwell representatives, was created prior to this year's annual meeting to explore alternatives for enhancing shareholder value. Avon's agreement to create the committee, and the appointment of two Chartwell nominees to Avon's board, ended Chartwell's May 1990 proxy contest against Avon. The Chartwell representatives stated: "We are not satisfied with the status quo. We believe all Avon stockholders deserve better value for their investment. Therefore, we were forced to submit our resignation as members of the special committee.

"We will continue to work toward finding a means to fulfill our obligation to all Avon shareholders -- a means that will be satisfactory to Avon's board and management. Avon has the potential to be a great company -- to build and deliver real value to its shareholders. We believe that should be our common goal -- a goal we should work toward together, objectively and responsibly. In the meantime, we cannot sit idly by and condone inaction."

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#90276p1043 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

BERKELEY, CA. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - XOMA Corp. (NASDAQ: XOMA) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Steven C. Mendell today announced that A. Richard Juelis has been appointed vice president, finance and chief financial officer of the company.

Juelis brings to XOMA 14 years' experience in financial and general management in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries. Since 1984, he served in senior management positions for Schering- Plough Corp. (Madison, N.J.). He was general manager of Schering's major biotechnology manufacturing subsidiary and also served as finance director at Schering's largest drug and chemical manufacturing site. Previously, Juelis had been with Hoffmann-LaRoche Inc. (Nutley, N.J.).

Juelis, 42, received his bachelor of science in chemistry from Fordham University and his master's in business administration in finance from Columbia University. "Richard Juelis brings to XOMA broad, practical experience in pharmaceutical industry finance and management, and we are pleased that he is now part of our management team," said Mendell.

XOMA Corp. is developing products to treat life-threatening human diseases using monoclonal antibody and other biotechnologies. XOMA has pending before the U.S. Food and Drug Administration product license applications to market its first two products: E5(R), for the treatment of gram-negative sepsis, and XomaZyme(R) CD5 Plus, for the treatment of graft-versus-host disease in recipients of bone marrow transplants. XOMA also is developing products for the treatment of autoimmune diseases and other immune-related disorders.

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#90276p1046 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Hyundai Motor America today announced that it sold 10,305 automobiles in the month of September, 1990.

Following is the sales breakdown:

CAR LINE	SEPTEMBER/90	SEPTEMBER/89	CY 90	CY 89
Sonata	1,832	2,436	23,626	26,150
Excel	7,823	11,166	79,450	119,892
Scoupe	650	0	650	0
Total	10,305	13,602	103,726	146,042

Hyundai Motor America has sold over 983,650 vehicles since entering the U.S. market in 1986. Besides introducing the new midsize Sonata V-6 and an all new redesigned version in 1990 of the award winning Excel, the company plans to introduce the Scoupe, a sporty car, aimed at young buyers seeking stylish, economical transportation, in September.

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#90276p1054 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) today reported the following sales figures:

	1990	1989	Pct. Change	Memo: Selling Days 1990	1989
Total Vehicles					
Sept. 21-30	111,694	124,684	+ 0.8	8	9
September	272,842	290,930	- 2.3	24	25
Jan. 1-Sept. 30	2,624,118	2,884,254	- 9.0	230	230
Model Year	3,375,776	3,755,166	-10.3	306	307

Total Cars

Sept. 21-30	71,094	77,761	+ 2.9
September	163,431	174,965	- 2.7
Jan. 1-Sept. 30	1,511,494	1,744,119	-13.3
Model Year	1,945,241	2,282,745	-14.5
Imported Cars			
Sept. 21-30	2,044	2,726	-15.5
September	5,309	6,539	-15.6
Jan. 1-Sept. 30	50,296	62,302	-19.2
Model Year	66,087	81,492	-18.5
Total Trucks			
Sept. 21-30	40,600	46,923	- 2.7
September	109,411	115,965	- 1.7
Jan. 1-Sept. 30	1,112,624	1,140,135	- 2.4
Model Year	1,430,535	1,492,421	- 3.8
Light Trucks			
Sept. 21-30	39,200	45,446	- 3.0
September	105,521	112,561	- 2.3
Jan. 1-Sept. 30	1,076,431	1,095,255	- 1.7
Model Year	1,383,170	1,433,840	- 3.2

Note: Percentage changes are based on daily selling rates.
Comments: The following may be attributed to Robert L. Rewey, vice president - Sales Operations, Ford North American Automotive Operations:

"Sales in the last two months of the 1990 model year were stronger than might have been expected under the circumstances. We have not yet seen any dramatic shift in either volume or mix as a result of events in the Persian Gulf. Nonetheless, consumer confidence has experienced its steepest decline since 1981. Accordingly, now that the deficit reduction agreement has been reached, we hope that interest rates will be reduced. This would bolster consumer confidence and enable the national economy either to avoid a recession altogether or to minimize its length and severity, should one occur."

"During the 1990 model year, Lincoln-Mercury dealers established all-time sales records for total Lincolns (223,596), for Lincoln Town Car (141,157) and for Lincoln Continental (60,971) despite growing competition in the luxury segment. Ford Division's dealers captured sales leadership in both trucks and total vehicles for the fifth and fourth consecutive model years, respectively. For the ninth straight model year, the Ford F-Series pickup was America's best-selling vehicle, car or truck."

"The Ford Escort and Mercury Tracer are gaining sales momentum, in spite of continuing softness in the subcompact segment overall. In October, we expect both cars to register sales increases over their year-ago levels for the first such full-month gain since February 1989. As availability of the all-new 1991 Escort and Tracer models improves, growing numbers of consumers are

recognizing their exceptional value. They are fully competitive with the best-selling import subcompacts in every respect, including gas mileage. Accordingly, we are confident that Ford's car market share will improve over the balance of the year, following the upturn in our truck market share already in evidence."

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#90276p1055 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Nycal Corporation (NASDAQ: NYCL) today announced the completion of the sale of certain producing and non- producing oil and gas properties to Woodbine Petroleum, Inc. (NASDAQ: WDBN), a Dallas-based oil and gas development company, for $4 million.

The sale was completed simultaneously with the acquisition of the properties and other assets by Nycal from Claremont Petroleum (USA) Pty. Ltd. and Moage, Inc. The other assets acquired by Nycal included three convertible notes issued by Woodbine in the total principal amount of $632,557 and 9.4 million shares (75.9 percent) of the common stock of Woodbine. At the time of the sale, Nycal converted the convertible notes to 4.2 million shares of Woodbine common stock giving Nycal a total of more than 9.6 million shares of Woodbine (82 percent).

The sales price of the properties was paid by $1.75 million in cash, a convertible note of $750,000, convertible at $.15 per share and assumption of an existing bank loan of $1.5 million secured by the properties. In addition, three representatives of Nycal were appointed to the board of directors of Woodbine.

Following the sale, Woodbine's estimated combined reserves total approximately 700,000 barrels of oil and 6.8 BCF of natural gas. Revenues from the combined properties for the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, totalled approximately $4 million.

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#90276p1058 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT, (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are unit sales for the 10-day period, Sept. 21-30, for Lincoln-Mercury Division:

	Current	Year-ago
Grand Marquis	3,714	3,860
Cougar	2,984	4,634

Sable	3,299	3,593
Topaz	3,553	3,884
Tracer	1,809	1,901
Capri	547	---
Lincoln Town Car	4,734	3,626
Mark VII	612	735
Continental	1,994	1,867
XR4Ti	---	96
Scorpio	---	29
TOTAL	23,246	24,225

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CHICAGO (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Although legislation to regulate the cable industry has been dropped for 1990, the issue will be revisited next year and will likely be constructed along the same lines, says an analyst with Duff & Phelps Inc., the investment research and financial consulting firm headquartered here.

"Sen. Tim Wirth has blocked an effort to pass legislation in the U.S. Senate that would have paved the way to re-regulate the cable industry in this year's legislative session," said Ned P. Zachar, who follows the industry for Duff & Phelps.

"This legislation would have created additional, but not life-threatening, burdens for the cable industry. Legislation may have been moot because the Bush Administration threatened to veto House or Senate legislation in current form."

The proposed legislation included regulations for "basic" tier broadcasting, "must carry" for public and commercial stations, development of customer service guidelines for the FCC, and prohibition of foreign ownership, among others.

Zachar feels that the cable industry, after a slow start, did a much better job recently of "educating" those parties in the legislative process that cable is not the "bad guy" that many cable-bashers had led them to believe.

Cable re-regulation proponents are also predicting that legislation in 1991 will allow telcos to become full-fledged cable operators.

"Our impression is that many in Congress are uneasy about allowing telcos to compete in unregulated business such as cable due to cross- subsidization issues," Zachar said. "If telcos were allowed to provide cable service in the name of competition, it is highly unlikely that the telcos would immediately

begin rewiring homes with the necessary equipment for cable service."

Although some form of telco entry into cable is possibly the appropriate public policy approach to video/voice/information services, Zachar notes it will not create competition for cable in the foreseeable future.

For cable investors, the discussion will hopefully be limited to legitimate consumer concerns that initiated the legislative process in the first place -- rising cable rates and poor service -- rather than evolve into a legislative package with a host of special interest provisions.

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#90276p1062 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT, (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Division today reported the following 10-day sales figures:

	Sept. 21-30		Month-to-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Selling days	8	9	24	25
Ford	4,279	3,145	11,488	8,437
Thunderbird	4,012	4,316	8,217	10,979
Taurus	10,442	12,214	23,576	26,761
Tempo	11,991	6,822	21,153	16,496
Escort	10,695	16,504	28,444	32,309
Festiva	1,497	2,601	4,155	6,225
Mustang	2,572	3,702	7,875	9,987
Probe	2,360	4,232	5,361	10,032
Total cars	47,848	53,536	110,269	121,226
Bronco	1,157	2,301	3,171	5,619
Bronco II/Expl.	6,173	4,226	16,843	10,191
Club Wagon	629	508	1,447	1,475
Van	3,332	5,273	10,257	13,536
Aerostar	5,525	5,559	12,300	13,945
Ranger	7,810	10,168	23,199	23,710
F-Series	14,574	17,411	38,304	44,085
Heavy	1,400	1,477	3,890	3,404
Total trucks	40,600	46,923	109,411	115,965

	CYTD	
	1990	1989
Selling days	230	230
Ford	87,767	88,128
Thunderbird	81,261	97,603
Taurus	241,372	272,527
Tempo	173,316	173,163

Escort	216,876	273,149
Festiva	43,532	55,982
Mustang	95,107	135,769
Probe	92,347	107,109
Total cars	1,031,578	1,203,430
Bronco	39,204	47,262
Bronco II/Expl.	123,478	83,358
Club Wagon	16,146	19,416
Van	117,118	133,038
Aerostar	140,426	150,607
Ranger	220,756	213,924
F-Series	419,303	447,650
Heavy	36,193	44,880
Total trucks	1,112,624	1,140,135

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#90276p1064 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Spectra Diode Laboratories, Inc., which develops and manufactures high power opto-electronic semiconductor laser devices and related systems, today announced that it has engaged Salomon Brothers Inc., New York City, to evaluate future business strategies, including the possible sale of the business.

Spectra Diode Labs was formed in 1983 to exploit gallium arsenide- based, solid-state laser technology developed at Xerox Corporation's (NYSE: XRX) Palo Alto Research Center. Spectra Diode Labs is now a joint venture between Xerox which has headquarters in Stamford, Conn., and CIBA-GEIGY Corporation and its affiliates. CIBA-GEIGY is headquartered in Ardsley, N.Y.

Donald Scifres, chief executive officer of Spectra Diode Labs, said that the company has been highly successful, both technically and financially, and expansion of its markets is expected to continue at a rapid pace.

The possible sale of the company, added Scifres, follows CIBA-GEIGY's announced direction to disengage from the electronics business and is consistent with the initial plan of Xerox to sell its interest in Spectra Diode Labs after the company became firmly established.

Spectra Diode Labs is recognized as the premier supplier of advanced high power semiconductor laser devices and related systems. Applications for these devices include communications, optical data storage, scientific instruments, medical, high resolution displays, computer systems, business and industrial equipment, consumer products and aerospace and military systems.

Three major trade publications in the laser field have given Spectra Diode Labs six "new product of the year" awards since 1984.

CIBA-GEIGY Corporation is a wholly owned subsidiary of CIBA-GEIGY Limited, a publicly traded company based in Basel, Switzerland. CIBA-GEIGY Limited is engaged primarily in the discovery, development, manufacture and marketing of a wide variety of pharmaceuticals, agricultural and specialty chemicals, and vision care products.

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#90276p1070 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. William J. Spencer, group vice president and senior technical officer of Xerox Corp., today was named president and chief executive officer of SEMATECH. Dr. Spencer replaces the late Dr. Robert N. Noyce, who headed the consortium from July 1988 until his sudden death in June 1990. SEMATECH is a nonprofit industry-government research consortium aimed at restoring U.S. leadership in semiconductor manufacturing.

"I am honored to join the elite team at SEMATECH," Dr. Spencer told SEMATECH personnel at the employee announcement this morning. "The national mission we must accomplish is key to America's competitiveness and key to preserving our standard of living for our children and grandchildren. I am confident that by working together, SEMATECH will succeed in its mission."

Dr. Spencer, 60, joined Xerox in 1981 as manager of the Integrated Circuit Laboratory at the firm's Palo Alto Research Center. As group vice president of the corporate research group in Stamford, CT, Dr. Spencer managed Xerox's research and development activities on a world-wide basis. Before joining Xerox, Dr. Spencer was director of Systems Development and Microelectronics at Sandia Laboratories and was a research professor at the University of New Mexico School of Medicine. He began his career at Bell Telephone Laboratories in 1959 after receiving his Ph.D. in physics from Kansas State University.

"SEMATECH and the semiconductor industry are extremely fortunate to have Bill Spencer as a champion and leader," said Charles Sporck, chairman of SEMATECH's board of directors and head of the CEO selection team. "With his experience in key research positions at Bell Laboratories, Sandia National Laboratories and Xerox Corp., Dr. Spencer has the technical expertise to implement programs which will enable this country to remain globally competitive.

"This was a very gratifying selection process," Sporck said. "There were many excellent candidates who came forward and expressed interest in joining SEMATECH."

"I congratulate the SEMATECH board of directors on an outstanding choice for CEO," said Dr. Turner E. Hasty, SEMATECH's chief operating officer. "Bill's qualifications for this job are superb. His proven leadership qualities will be very important to the continued success of SEMATECH. On behalf of the men and women of SEMATECH. We are both pleased and excited to have Dr. Spencer on our team."

Spencer joins the Office of the Chief Executive, which also includes Hasty and Peter H. Mills, chief administrative officer. As CEO, Dr. Spencer will direct SEMATECH's advanced semiconductor manufacturing staff, which is based in Austin, Texas. He also will be SEMATECH's primary liaison to its 14 member companies and the federal government.

SEMATECH is developing advanced semiconductor manufacturing methods, equipment and materials in a world-class demonstration facility in Austin, Texas. Research results are transferred to member firms and the federal government for commercial and military applications. The federal government actively participates in SEMATECH through the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) in the Department of Defense.

SEMATECH member firms include Advanced Micro Devices, AT&T, DEC, Harris Corp., Hewlett-Packard, IBM, Intel, LSI Logic, Micron Technology, Motorola, NCR, National Semiconductor, Rockwell International and Texas Instruments.
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#90276p1073 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines announced today it has implemented the world's first operational satellite-based data communication (SATCOM) system on a commercial jetliner.

On Thursday, Sept. 27, United Flight 805 from San Francisco to Hong Kong transmitted messages via satellite for the first time, becoming the first commercial flight in history to use the technology.

The new satellite service, GLOBALink(SM), provided by ARINC Incorporated, permits the industry's first two-way electronic data communications via satellite between the aircraft and the carrier's operations departments, such as flight dispatch and maintenance, as well as with ground-based air traffic controllers.

United operates an extensive network of scheduled air service throughout the North and South Pacific and flies more passengers on trans-Pacific flights than any other airline in the world. The 747-400 is currently flown by United

on the Los Angeles-Sydney, San Francisco-Hong Kong and San Francisco-Seoul-Manila routes.

The new GLOBALink service supplements the high-frequency radio voice communications technology which has been a means of contact for trans- oceanic air travel since the early 1940s.

Oceanic voice communications has been recognized as being adequate, but less than perfect, requiring pilots and ground radio operators to talk back and forth frequently to relay vital information, such as the position of the flight, weather conditions and fuel readings, while being susceptible to frequency congestion and changes of atmospheric conditions which can produce static and other interference.

The total reliance upon relayed voice communications for trans-oceanic flights has also placed a burden on pilots, ground-based airline operations employees, ARINC radio operators and trans-oceanic air traffic controllers.

Within United, the new system will permit two-way data communications without intermediaries between an aircraft flying over the Pacific Ocean and United's ground operations functions for relatively routine communications transmissions, similar to those done commonly today on flights over land.

UAL has ordered a total of 15 747-400 aircraft. ARINC, an Annapolis, Md.-based communications company owned by the airline industry, provides the GLOBALink service through the use of INMARSAT satellites and ground earth stations operated by COMSAT and other INMARSAT signatories.

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GARDENA, CA. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - American Honda today reported its third 10 day, month-to-date and year-to-date sales.

	3rd 10 Day		Month-to-Date		Year-to-Date	
	9/21-9/30 1990	9/21-9/30 1989	Sept. 1990	Sept. 1989	1/1-9/30 1990	1/1-9/30 1989
Ttl. American Honda			62,441	58,335	655,949	589,502
Honda div. ttl.			51,273	46,324	546,998	478,795
Acura div. ttl.			11,168	12,011	108,951	110,707
Import Sales			24,463	28,854	290,436	296,134

Honda div.			13,295	16,843	181,485	185,427
Acura div.			11,168	12,011	108,951	110,707
Domestic sales						
Honda div.	14,380	13,036	37,978	29,481	365,513	293,368
Model Breakouts						
By Division						
Honda Division Ttl (Imp & Dom)			51,273	46,324	546,998	478,795
Civic			13,506	19,659	198,284	178,577
Accord			36,878	23,883	317,538	263,288
Prelude			889	2,782	31,176	36,930
Domestic ttl. memo	14,380	13,036	37,978	29,481	365,513	293,368
Civics	4,032	6,859	10,612	13,663	150,520	130,813
Accords	10,348	6,177	27,366	15,818	214,993	162,555
Acura div. ttl.			11,168	12,011	108,951	110,707
Legend			3,804	6,713	42,165	49,670
Integra			7,144	5,298	66,521	61,037
NSX			220		265	

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#90276p1080 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

OSLO, THE NETHERLANDS (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Christiania Bank Group recorded a loss of NOK 123 million after actual and estimated losses and taxes in the first eight months of 1990, against a profit of NOK 438 million in the corresponding period last year. This corresponds to earnings per share of (NOK 4.87) annualized, compared with NOK 22.37 in the same period last year. The eight month results give a return on total assets of (0.12) percent and a return on equity of (4.61) percent, both figures on an annualized basis.

The operating profit before actual and estimated loan losses amounted to NOK 1,259 million, giving a return on average total assets of 1.27 for the period annualized. The corresponding figures in 1989 were NOK 1,581 million and 1.95 percent. The decrease in operating profit before actual and estimated loan losses is due to a depressed net interest income as a consequence of an increase of non-performing loans and the fact that interest rates throughout the period were higher than during the first eight months on 1989. The interest rate level has also resulted in reduced capital gains on the sale of bonds.

At Aug. 31 1990, net interest income amounted NOK 2,257 million giving an

interest rate margin of 2.28 percent compared to 2.44 percent in the corresponding period last year.

During the eight month period the group released gains of NOK 243 million, of which losses on sale of bonds amount to NOK 4 million. At Aug. 31 unrealized gains on the group's portfolio of trading shares and bonds amounted to NOK 204 million and NOK 13 million, respectively. At April 30 1990, the group has unrealized gains on trading shares of NOK 221 million, while unrealized bond losses totalled NOK 38 million.

Operating expenses during the period amounted to NOK 2,240 million, corresponding to 2.26 percent of average total assets, against 2.28 percent for the same period last year. The increase of NOK 134 million from the first interim period included NOK 63 million attributable to the Sorlandsbanken Group.

In assessing its loan portfolio at Aug. 31, the bank has followed the guidelines for loss assessment drawn up by the banking, Insurance and Securities Commission. This means that actual and estimated loan losses are charged in the period in which they arise. There may therefore be great variations in loan write-offs in the respective accounting periods. At Aug. 31 1990, actual and estimated loan losses totalling NOK 1,320 million were charged to the profit and loss account, with NOK 356 million attributable to the first four months of the year and NOK 964 arising in the four months to Aug. 31 1990. In 1989, NOK 911 million was charged for the first eight months of the year.

The majority of the loan write-offs as per Aug. 31 1990 is estimated losses. The increase in loan write-offs from the first to the second interim period is partly due to a few larger commercial commitment and partly to revised evaluation of the collateral, as a consequence of the continued drop in real estate prices. Additionally, the general provisions for non-performing loans to private client engagement have been increased from 10 percent to 15 percent.

By the end of August, the accumulated special provisions charged to the profit and loss account over several years amount to NOK 2,295 million, corresponding to 2.14 percent of total lendings. In addition, the bank's general provisions amount to NOK 1,629 million (1.52 percent of total lendings).

The group's operating profit (after loan losses and before taxes) is divided as follows: (NOK 290 million) for Christiania Bank Retail and Commercial, (NOK 71 million) for Christiania Bank Capital Market, and NOK 300 million for Christiania Bank International.

Group taxation amounts to NOK 33 million in payable taxes and NOK 29 million in change in deferred taxes. The total taxation related mainly to Christiania Bank's foreign branches and subsidiaries and to taxation of the group's net assets.

At Aug. 31 1990, the Christiania Bank Group had total assets of NOK 147.3 billion, against NOK 146.4 billion at April 30 1990. Average total assets for the first eight months of the year amounted to NOK 148.6 billion, compared with NOK 122 billion for the same period last year.

According to current Norwegian rules, Christiania Bank Group had a capital adequacy of 7.65 percent as per Aug. 31 1990. Based on the new Norwegian rules the group's primary capital ratio was 2.4 percent. If the calculation is made according to the EC-definition of primary capital, the group's ratio was 3.8 percent.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Hartmarx Corp. (NYSE: HMX) today reported lower sales and a loss for the third quarter ended August 31.

Sales for the quarter were $313,370,000 with a loss of $4,815,000 or $.24 per share compared to sales of $317,250,000 and earnings of $420,000 or $.02 per share in 1989. For the nine months ended Aug. 31, sales were $959,441,000 with a loss of $57,590,000 or $2.92 per share including the $51,000,000 or $2.59 per share restructuring charge provided in the second quarter. Last year's results for the nine months were sales of $949,086,000 with earnings of $13,305,000 or $.68 per share.

Harvey A. Weinberg, chairman and chief executive officer of Hartmarx, stated, "Third quarter results reflect a continuation of the sluggish sales environment experienced in the first half and do not reflect the significant restructuring actions announced on July 11 that are expected to favorably impact the future. Only six of the 65 scheduled store closings took place in the third quarter as most of the store closing sales will commence in October and November to take advantage of the high volume Fall retail selling season, including December, which will maximize sales and cash proceeds.

"Other restructuring actions being implemented include the addition of three senior marketing, sales and merchandising executives in the Specialty Store Group and the realignment of centralized staffs. Total inventories at Aug. 31 are $45 million lower than a year ago and will be further reduced as the store closings are completed. Inventory reductions in the Specialty Stores facilitate re-merchandising with fresh goods.

The company announced that its tailored clothing manufacturing subsidiaries recently agreed to a new three-year industry-wide collective bargaining agreement. Also, a $45 million term loan agreement with a group of insurance companies was completed in September. Proceeds of the loan were used to repay

bank loans.

Hartmarx, headquartered in Chicago, is the nation's leading manufacturer and retailer of men's and women's quality apparel.

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#90276p1093 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Illinois Central Corporation (NASDAQ: ICRR) announced today that it has agreed to permit merchant banking partnerships affiliated with Shearson Lehman Brothers to acquire up to 1 million additional shares of Illinois Central Corporation common stock in the open market. This accord amends an existing standstill agreement between the company and Shearson. Purchases, if any, by Shearson will be for investment purposes, will be made from time to time over the next year, and will be subject to applicable requirements of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Anti-Trust Improvements Act of 1976.

Affiliates of Shearson own in the aggregate approximately 6.6 million shares of 28 percent of Illinois Central's outstanding common stock. Shearson acts as a market-maker for securities of Illinois Central and its railroad operating subsidiary.

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MAHWAH, NJ (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Jaguar Cars Inc. (ADR - NASDAQ-NMS: JAGRY) today reported that total unit sales for September 1990 were 1,722 compared with 1,482 during September 1989, a 16.2 percent increase.

Sedan retail sales for the month of October 1990 were 1,368 units vs. 1,168 in the prior year's period. XJ-S sports coupe and convertible retail sales for the month were 354 compared with 314 units in the same period last year.

Total year-to-date sales stand at 14,091, an increase of 1.5 percent over the 13,882 units sold in the same period in 1989.

Michael H. Dale, president of Jaguar Cars Inc. said: "The September sales figures, coming at a time when the luxury car market is beset by negative influences and increased competition, are a sign that Jaguar automobiles continue to hold a strong appeal for American buyers. We are confident that our 1991 models, which will be introduced in October, will maintain and enhance that appeal."

Jaguar Cars Inc. is the U.S. subsidiary of Jaguar Ltd.

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#90276p1102 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Telesphere Communications Inc. (AMEX: TSP), a full-service long-distance telephone company and a leading provider of interactive 900 network services, today announced it is providing network services for a communication line designed and developed by 900 Broadcasting Ltd., a Philadelphia- based company, that will be used to send messages of support to U.S. troops stationed in the Middle East. According to Elissa P.C. Laurence, president of 900 Broadcasting Ltd., 50 cents from each call handled by the service will be donated to the American Red Cross for their ongoing support of service members and their families.

The service, which can be accessed by dialing 1-900-321-4-USA, is scheduled to begin operation on Oct. 8, 1990. 900 Broadcasting, Ltd., a creator of 900 service based promotional programs, will promote the line with a national television campaign of one-minute spots. The service will allow Americans to leave messages of support and encouragement for military personnel on audio-cassette tapes. These tapes will then be shipped directly to Operation Desert Shield forces.

The significance of the service is underscored by the fact that U.S. troops currently are receiving almost no news from outside the Middle East, since Iraq has been jamming Voice of America broadcasts heard in Saudi Arabia on a regular basis.

Telesphere Communications Inc. operates a nationwide, state-of-the- art, digital fiber optic network over which it provides long distance, operator, interactive 900 and other enhanced telecommunications services.

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#90276p1108 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Research, Inc. (NYSE: CYR) today unveiled its initial entry into the minisupercomputer market, the CRAY XMS system, and discussed some performance objectives for a follow- on system to be available in the second half of 1991. The company demonstrated the CRAY XMS system at the semiannual conference of the Cray User Group (CUG) in Austin Texas, and said it would be available for customer delivery next month.

The CRAY XMS system, which is a 64-bit minisupercomputer based on Cray Research's vector architecture, is compatible with the CRAY X-MP computer

system. Minisupercomputers are general-purpose scientific computers that are highly capable, but less powerful than supercomputers.

The CRAY XMS system runs the company's powerful UNICOS operating system, which is based on the AT&T UNIX System V operating system and is used throughout the Cray Research supercomputer product line. The CRAY XMS system also runs the same compiler software as the larger Cray Research systems, including the CF77 Fortran compiling system and Standard C, along with a variety of library routines and utilities.

The CRAY XMS system has a peak vector performance of 36 million floating-point operations per second (MFLOPS) and a peak scalar performance of 18 MFLOPS. It has one central processing unit and is available with 32, 64, or 128 million bytes of memory. It is easy to install and requires no special environment because of its small size and the fact that it is air-cooled.

The CRAY XMS system will run a broad range of third-party application programs with little or no modification. The company is working with third-party application vendors in areas such as fluid dynamics, mechanical engineering, and computational chemistry to make their programs available on the CRAY XMS system.

The introduction of the CRAY XMS system was facilitated by Cray Research's recent acquisition of Supertek Computers, Inc., a California- based manufacturer of Cray-compatible computer systems. The minisupercomputer is being manufactured by Cray Research in Chippewa Falls, Wis.

Development of a CRAY Y-MP-compatible minisupercomputer is well underway, with availability scheduled for the second half of 1991. The system will be available with one to four central processing units, and will have a considerable larger memory than the CRAY XMS system.

Cray Research, Inc. designs, manufactures, markets, and supports large-scale, high-speed computer systems for scientific and engineering applications.

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#90276p1109 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Audi of America, Inc. announced today that it will raise the Manufacturers Suggested Retail Prices of its 1991 models an average of 3.5 percent, equipment adjusted. Option prices are being raised an average of 4.1 percent, and $20 is being added to the delivery charge, which has not been adjusted for four years.

Two models, the entry level Audi 80 and the just-introduced 200 Quattro series

of sedan and wagons, include entirely new power trains for 1991 and are being introduced as replacement models.

The Audi 80 for 1991 gets the five-cylinder, 2.3-liter, 130- horsepower engine replacing the four-cylinder, 2.0-liter, 108-horsepower engine. The 200 Quattro series gets the turbo-charged, 2.22-liter, 217- horsepower engine, replacing the turbo-charged, 2.2-liter, 162- horsepower engine.

The new Audi 80 is being introduced at $20,200, while the 200 Quattro sedans and wagons have been introduced at $42,400. The previous models, no longer comparable because of the power train upgrades, carried Manufacturers Suggested Retail Prices of $18,900 for the Audi 80, $35,805 for the 200 Quattro sedan, and $36,930 for the 200 Quattro wagon.

Final 1990 equipment adjusted prices and introductory 1991 prices for the balance of the Audi line are:

	1990	1991
80 Quattro	$24,000	$24,810
90	$24,835	$25,690
90 Quattro	$27,610	$28,580
Coupe Quattro	$29,935	$30,990
100	$27,195	$28,150
100 Quattro	$29,470	$30,510
200	$33,405	$34,580
V8 Quattro	$48,535	$50,200

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#90276p1111 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, Conn. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Mark B. Myers, a corporate vice president and manager of Xerox Corporation's (NYSE: XRX) research center in the Rochester, N.Y., suburb of Webster, has been appointed vice president in charge of the company's worldwide research programs, Paul A. Allaire, Xerox president and chief executive officer, announced today.

Myers succeeds William J. Spencer, who will retire from Xerox, effective Nov. 1, to become president of Sematech Corporation in Austin, Texas. Spencer, 60, has overseen the company's worldwide research efforts since being named group vice president of the Corporate Research Group in 1986.

"Bill has been a guiding force in the redirection of the corporation's research efforts for the 1980s and beyond and has been a major influence in accelerating the incorporation of research technologies into new products," Allaire said. "We will miss him but wish him well in this new position of major national significance."

Sematech is a joint venture between the federal government and an industry consortium. It is engaged in the development and manufacture of advanced microchip devices.

Myers, 51, has been with Xerox his entire working career. Since joining the company in 1964 as a member of the scientific staff at the Webster Research Center, he has held a variety of research and engineering positions. Most recently, he has been vice president and manager of the Webster center. He was named a corporate vice president in 1989.

In his new position, Myers will guide and manage the company's research efforts in Webster, the Palo Alto Research Center in Palo Alto, Calif., the Xerox Research Centre of Canada in Mississauga, Ontario, and Rank Xerox EuroPARC in Cambridge, England.

Myers, a Penfield, N.Y., resident, will remain based in Webster.

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#90276p1116 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Quark, Inc., today announced a significant product development effort for IBM's line of personal computers and workstations. As its initial entry into this market, the company will adapt QuarkXPress(Note B)/PC, its electronic publishing software, for the IBM Personal System/2(Note A). It is expected to be available in 1991.

Quark is working with IBM on future development efforts that will provide Quark electronic publishing products for the PS/2(Note A) using Operating System/2(Note A) and RISC System/6000(Note A), as well as software to enhance integration and connectivity of multiple vendor systems.

The IBM Media Industry has identified newspaper, magazine and book publishing as top growth markets during the 1990s for its products and services. IBM offers a full-range of computer systems, sophisticated networking capabilities service and training to provide a system-wide solution to publishing firms.

Working with IBM, Quark also will pursue development in areas such as groupware and data exchange software for Atex systems and other third-party vendors. Groupware enables reporters and graphic designers, for example, to be working on the same document simultaneously.

IBM's Media Industry addresses the computing needs of nine diverse industry segments, the largest of which are newspapers and magazines. Headquartered in White Plains, N.Y., the Media Industry has a mission to provide integrated hardware and software solutions to customers within these industry segments.

Based in Denver, Quark, Inc., develops and distributes publishing software products for commercial publishing and graphic arts professionals using microcomputer-based systems. QuarkXPress, a precision-oriented software product, provides even the most demanding publishing arts professional with the tools and features they need to create and implement sophisticated publication designs. Founded in 1981, Quark is privately held.

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#90276p1125 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (Oct. 3) PR Newswire - Unocal Exploration Corporation (UXC), which until Aug. 2 was operated as a limited partnership known as Union Exploration Partners Ltd. (UXP), today announced the payment of a cash distribution of $3 on each of UXP's former depositary units.

This distribution, which was described as a "contingent cash distribution" in the Prospectus filed with the Securities Exchange Commission, is payable on Oct. 15, 1990, to holders of record of depositary units on June 21, 1990.

The provision for this cash distribution was announced in June at the same time that Union Oil Company of California, the managing general partner of UXP indicated its intent to convert UXP from a Texas limited partnership to a Delaware corporation.

It was intended to furnish reasonable protection to unitholders in the event of a short-term decline in the price of UXC stock.

The distribution was to be paid, up to a maximum of $3 per unit, if, during pre-defined time periods, the average closing price of UXC common stock was lower then $18.20.

The specified measurement period was the five trading days preceding the 60th day following the change from a Texas limited partnership to a Delaware corporation.

As of June 21, 1990, there were 11,939,726 UXP units held by the public, with Union Oil Company of California controlling the other 95.3 percent of UXP units.

The cash distribution will total $35.8 million.

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#90276p1126 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOWELL, MASS. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - COMFED BANCORP's (AMEX: CFK) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Jack Zoeller, said he strongly supported the actions of the U.S. Attorney and the Federal Bureau of Investigation which have resulted in the indictments today of 12 people, including two former COMFED officers, for their roles in defrauding COMFED Savings Bank of more than $2 million.

"The real victim of this fraud," said Zoeller, "has been COMFED Savings Bank, together with its shareholders, employees, and ultimately the taxpayers. We are proud to have uncovered the activities which we reported to the federal authorities in early 1989, and which led to the indictments announced today.

"Over the past two years," Zoeller continued, "It has been our unpleasant duty to report 85 separate instances of suspected criminal fraud. During that time, we terminated or accepted the resignations of approximately 50 former loan officers. Although, as evidenced by these indictments, many of the people who have wrongfully harmed COMFED are developers, brokers, attorneys, and borrowers, our highest priority has been ensuring that these kinds of problems and the people who are alleged to have caused them have been weeded out of the bank. COMFED has returned to its conservative roots, producing high quality loans, and stressing integrity and sound business practice."

COMFED BANCORP, INC. is a $1.4 billion asset holding company headquartered in Lowell, Mass. Through its principal operating divisions: COMFED Savings Bank and COMFED Mortgage Company, it engages in residential mortgage lending, loan servicing, and retail banking. COMFED Mortgage Company maintains a network of 13 offices in five Northeastern states. COMFED Savings Bank operates 28 retail banking offices in Massachusetts and Connecticut. The bank's loan servicing portfolio ranks in the top 20 among thrifts nationwide. COMFED BANCORP, INC. is listed on the American Stock Exchange, symbol CFK.

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#90276p1131 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors dealers in the United States today reported the following vehicle sales:

	Period		Month		Calendar Year(a)	
	Sept. 21-30		Sept. 1-30		Jan. 1-Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989 Total
Vehicles	155,769	209,415	421,384	492,049	3,902,327	4,112,785
Percent Change						
Per S/D	-16.3	---	-10.8	---	-5.1	---

Total Cars	107,216	138,376	286,104	318,868	2,591,236	2,764,946
Percent Change Per S/D	-12.8	---	-6.5	---	-6.3	---
Total Trucks	48,553	71,039	135,280	173,181	1,311,091	1,347,839
Percent Change Per S/D	-23.1	---	-18.6	---	-2.7	---

	Period		Month		Calendar Year	
Division	Sept. 21-30		Sept. 1-30		Jan. 1-Sept. 30	
Total Vehicles	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989
Chevrolet	81,563	106,500	216,350	246,687	2,088,489	2,139,313
Pontiac	19,767	24,205	59,036	58,916	524,479	545,683
Oldsmobile	17,874	27,426	49,107	65,593	416,404	493,665
Buick	20,491	24,696	49,744	55,190	408,339	432,981
Cadillac	8,228	12,830	22,203	27,773	194,562	204,698
GMC	7,846	13,758	24,944	37,890	270,054	296,445
Domestic Sales						
Cars	102,914	131,939	273,535	305,164	2,448,214	2,632,139
Lt. Duty Trucks	47,165	69,197	131,789	169,178	1,281,292	1,312,094

NOTE: Eight selling days (S/D) in the Sept. 21-30 period this year and nine selling days last year; 24 selling days for the September period this year and 25 selling days last year.

(a) -- Year-to-year percent change is not adjusted for selling days. Comment by George C. Eads, vice president of the General Motors Product Planning and Economics Staff:

For General Motors, 1990 model year sales performance represents more than 50 consecutive years as industry sales leader. During the model year, GM dealers delivered a total of 4.9 million vehicles -- 1.6 million vehicles more than our nearest competitor. Also for the 1990 model year, General Motors was once again the industry sales leader for both passenger cars and trucks.

During the 1990 calendar year through September, GM remains the only domestic manufacturer to outperform the industry and to increase its U.S. market share for cars, trucks and total vehicles. In September, GM car and truck sales were down 10.8 percent from a strong year-ago period when consumer and dealer incentives boosted 1989 sales. Despite the present uncertainties in the marketplace, we believe that General Motors will continue to increase its share of the U.S. markets for cars, trucks and total vehicles throughout the remainder of the 1990 calendar year.

In reviewing 1990 model year sales performance on a market segment basis, General Motors was the leader in the subcompact, compact, mid- size, regular

and luxury car segments. Of special note, Chevrolet captured the industry's leadership position for passenger car sales and Cadillac recorded its 42nd consecutive model year as luxury car sales leader. In the truck market, GM remained the industry sales leader in the light-duty segment -- which accounts for approximately 95 percent of total industry truck sales.

For the 1990 model year, total vehicle sales are estimated to finish around 14.2 million units, making it the first model year since 1984 in which industry vehicle sales will not exceed 15 million units. Most of this sales slowdown was due to an estimated 9-percent decline in car sales. Truck sales will also be down in the model year, but the slowdown in truck purchases is estimated to be 5 percent.

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#90276p1137 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of its comprehensive coal technology program, the Department of Energy has signed a $46 million, five-year contract with Southern Company Services Inc., to develop more effective methods of producing a clean gasified fuel from coal.

Southern Company Services provides technical and specialized services to The Southern Company (NYSE: SO) and its subsidiaries -- Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power, Savannah Electric, Southern Electric International, and The Southern Investment Group.

Commenting on the contract award, the Energy Department's Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy Robert Gentile said: "We're hopeful that advanced coal technologies emerging from this joint effort can one day be used by the nation's utilities as a cost-effective alternative to oil. This project could provide us with one more weapon in our battle to reduce dependence on foreign oil by using our abundant coal supplies."

At a test facility that will be built near Wilsonville, Ala., coat will be burned in a pressurized environment -- a technique that will reduce the size of the equipment needed for this process and make the resulting gas suitable for powering high-efficiency gas and steam turbines. The procedure calls for the removal of ash and other impurities at high temperatures to make the gas as clean as possible without losing energy content.

The project -- which is called the Hot Gas Cleanup Test Facility for Gasification and Pressurized Combustion -- will bring to three the number of DOE-funded projects at SCS facilities in Wilsonville, where the company is pioneering various clean coal technologies.

In discussing today's announcement, SCS President Allen Franklin said, "The DOE continues to recognize the leadership of companies such as ours in the development of the technologies we need to become more energy independent, and we think this particular technology shows real promise."

Franklin also noted that Southern Company utilities expect to add a number of combustion turbines to meet peak energy needs in the region during the 1990s. Fuel produced using the hot gas cleanup process could become an economic alternative to the oil and gas that have traditionally powered this type of equipment.

Under the terms of the contract, SCS will serve as prime contractor, working with M.W. Kellogg Co. of Houston, and the Electric Power Research Institute of Palo Alto, Calif., to design the hot gas cleanup test facility. Two other Southern Company subsidiaries will be involved in the project -- Alabama Power as construction manager and SEI as plant operator. Southern Research Institute of Birmingham, Ala., will be responsible for special testing and measurements.

The design phase will take approximately two years to complete and will involve some 30 SCS employees. It's expected that construction of the test facility will be finished by late 1993, when the plant will add approximately 60 new employees.

CONTACT: Tripp Cagle or Steve Higginbottom, 404-455-1077, both of The Southern Company

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BOGOTA, N.J. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Del-Val Financial Corporation (NYSE: DVL) today declared a dividend of 16 cents per share payable on Nov. 1, 1990 and Dec. 3, 1990 to stockholders or record on Oct. 25, 1990 and Nov. 26, 1990, respectively.

CONTACT: Francine Barbaro of Del-Val Financial, 212-421-6400

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Avon Products, Inc.'s (NYSE: AVP) special committee of board members will continue its examination of alternatives to enhance shareholder value, even though the two Chartwell members have resigned said Joseph Rice, Avon board member and chairman of the special committee.

The committee, which now consists of four board members, will continue to pursue its mission in accordance with the original agreement with Chartwell, Rice said. He added that the committee is examining a broad range of

alternatives and has not ruled out any course of action.

CONTACT: John Cox, 212-546-8471 (media), or Phyllis Davis, 212-546-8622, or Ann Scavullo, 212-546-6737 (financial), all of Avon.

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Photocomm Inc. (NASDAQ: PCOM) today announced that Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX) has purchased $750,000 of new convertible debentures from the company, and anticipates acquisition of an additional one million common shares for $1,250,000. This new investment in Photocomm is in accord with previously disclosed terms of a March 28, 1990, agreement, at which time Westinghouse acquired 12.2 percent of Photocomm and options to purchase additional equity and debentures. Completion of the anticipated stock purchase will increase Westinghouse's ownership in the company to approximately 22 percent.

William T. Taylor, a retired Westinghouse executive, has been elected to Photocomm's board of directors. Prior to his retirement earlier this year, Taylor was president of Westinghouse Electric Supply Co. (WESCO), a wholly owned subsidiary, and an elected vice president of Westinghouse Electric Corp.

Robert R. Kauffman, president and chief executive officer of Photocomm, said, "Westinghouse's increased investment in the company is indicative of our progress in the solar electric systems market. We have a strong business plan and growth strategy, and our relationship with Westinghouse provides a unique opportunity to develop Photocomm to its full potential."

Photocomm Inc. is a publicly owned, solar electric systems manufacturing and marketing company with corporate headquarters in Scottsdale. The company's common stock is listed on the NASDAQ stock quotation system under the symbol PCOM.

CONTACT: Thomas LaVoy, CFO of Photocomm Inc., 602-948-8003

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HIGHLAND PARK, MI (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) reported an increase in car sales for the final 10-day period of September, helping the company finish the 1990 model year with total vehicle sales of 1,739,579.

It was the fifth best year in recent history for the nation's third- largest automaker.

Domestic car sales for the final 10-day period were up 5.5 percent and total

car sales were up 1 percent.

The top-selling nameplates for the 1990 model year were the Dodge Caravan and Plymouth Voyager minivans at 200,450 and 175,518, respectively. Sales of all minivans totaled 379,019 units, only 13,000 short of the 1988 model year record and only 10,000 shy of 1989 model sales despite production loss this summer for changeover to redesigned 1991 models.

Other high-volume nameplates were Jeep Cherokee, 129,224; Plymouth Acclaim, 103,370; Dodge Dynasty, 99,447; Dodge Ram pickup, 96,741; LeBaron, 90,030; and Dodge Spirit, 87,386.

Acclaim, Spirit, Plymouth Laser and Eagle Talon all set model year records.

CONTACT: Tom Jakobowski of Chrysler, 313-956-1881

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#90276p1151 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPRINGFIELD, VA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Versar, Inc. (AMEX: VSR) announced today that it has been selected by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to provide monitoring, modeling, and environmental processes and effects support.

The contract, valued at approximately $16 million over the next five years, will be under the direction of Gayaneh Contos, senior vice president in charge of environmental services.

Through this contract, EPA is seeking scientific and engineering expertise to support the mission of its Office of Modeling, Monitoring Systems and Quality Assurance (OMMSQA) and its Office of Environmental Processes and Effects Research (OEPER). OMMSQA is responsible for providing the scientific knowledge to quantify exposure and responses of humans and ecological resources to pollutants; OEPER is responsible for providing the scientific and engineering knowledge to quantify and predict the release and transport of pollutants and their effects on the environment.

Under this contract, Versar will provide support to EPA in four major areas: (1) scientific and engineering support, (2) managerial support (3) quality assurance program support, and (4) technical support. Major technical and research support activities that will be immediately pursued under this contract include the following:

-- Ecological and human health monitoring, including methodology development.
-- Development and evaluation of models for environmental processes and effects research. -- Modeling and statistical analysis.
-- Indicator and biomarker research.

-- Human health exposure and risk assessment.
-- Ecological exposure and risk assessment.
-- Integration and synthesis of the findings of interdisciplinary research programs. -- Global climate change research.
-- Data base management and computer support, including geographical information system development and evaluation. -- Quality assurance.

Versar provides a wide range of scientific and technical services to solve environmental and health and safety problems caused by pollutants, hazardous materials, and toxic substances.

CONTACT: Dr. Robert Ouellette, vice president, corporate development, Versar, Inc., 703-750-3000.

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#90276p1154 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways today reported that scheduled traffic last month increased 6.7 percent, from 2.551 billion revenue passenger miles to 2.723 billion, representing the highest RPM level ever recorded for the month of September in the company's history.

Available seat miles were up 3.4 percent, from 3.960 billion to 4.093 billion, and load factor was up 2.1 points, from 64.4 percent to 66.5 percent.

Traffic statistics include Pan American World Airways' operations only, and do not include the Pan Am Shuttle or Pan Am Express flights.

Atlantic RPMs were up 6.2 percent, ASMs were up 2.4 percent, and load factor increased 2.5 points, from 68.4 percent to 70.9 percent.

In Latin America, RPMs were up 16.0 percent, ASMs were up 13.7 percent, and load factor increased 1.2 points, from 61.6 percent to 62.8 percent.

In U.S. domestic markets, RPMs were up 1.0 percent, ASMs were down 1.9 percent and load factor, at 57.8 percent, was up 1.6 points from last year's level of 56.2 percent.

Scheduled freight ton miles were up 1.2 percent, from 55.6 million to 56.8 million.

Year to Date For the first nine months of the year, scheduled traffic was up 9.6 percent, from 22.012 billion to 24.131 billion. Capacity was up 6.2 percent, from 34.042 billion to 36.169 billion and load factor, at 66.7 percent, showed an increase of 2.0 points.

Scheduled freight ton miles were up 0.8 percent, from 544.6 million to 549.0 million.

CONTACT: Jeffrey F. Kriendler of Pan Am, 212-880-1421

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#90276p1158 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Abitibi-Price Inc. (NYSE: ABY) and the Canadian Paperworkers Union have reached agreement on the terms of renewal of a labor contract affecting seven of the company's mills in Ontario, Quebec, and Newfoundland. Details of the three-year agreement will not be released pending ratification by the membership.

Ron Oberlander, president of Abitibi-Price said that the agreement "will permit Abitibi-Price to remain competitive with Stone-Consolidated and other Canadian competitors."

In addition, he added, "The company hopes to work with the union during the life of the contract to devise a new process of bargaining which will build more positive working relationships and help to resolve issues of mutual concern. Our ability to work together effectively will be a determining factor in our success in the challenging years ahead."

The settlement, if ratified, will end the strike which began at the mills on September 10th.

Abitibi-Price is traded on the New York, Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver Stock Exchanges.

CONTACT: Sharon Paul of Abitibi-Price Inc., 416-369-6809

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#90276p1165 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - National Asset Bank (a bank in liquidation) (NASDAQ: NABK) today announced that its board of directors had authorized management of the bank to review and explore various alternatives available to the bank other than operating as a bank in liquidation and to determine whether any such alternatives might provide a mechanism by which stockholder value could be enhanced. In connection with such review, the bank announced that it has retained Kenneth Leventhal & Co. to assist in the assessment of various alternatives. A spokesman for the bank stated that the bank currently anticipates that its review of alternatives would be completed by the end of 1990. The spokesman added that although the bank is currently exploring the alternatives that may be available to it to enhance stockholder value, no decision to amend, modify or otherwise change the bank's current plan of liquidation has been made. The spokesman further stated that any change to the bank's plan of liquidation, if pursued, would be subject to numerous conditions, including approval by the office of the comptroller of the

currency and the bank's stockholders.

As previously reported, the outstanding shares of common stock of the bank were issued to the stockholders of Allied Bancshares, Inc. (Allied) as a distribution in connection with the merger of Allied with and into First Interstate Bancorp of Texas Inc. (FI). The initial assets of the bank consisted primarily of participation interest in non-performing loans and various real estate and other non-performing assets transferred to it by Allied upon the bank's inception. As a result of the recent termination of the management agreement with a subsidiary of FI, the bank holds all of its loans and other assets directly and is responsible for the management and servicing of those assets.

CONTACT: Michael A. Hrebenar of National Asset Bank, 713-952-6800.

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#90276p1169 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAUREL, MD. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - F&E Resource Systems Technology, Inc. (FERST), publicly traded over-the-counter (pink sheets), announced that its subsidiary, FERST for Baltimore, Inc., today received its Solid Waste Management permit from the state of Maryland for a 700-ton-per-day recycling and composting facility to be built in Baltimore.

The company previously announced agreements with Chrysler Capital Corporation and John Hancock Resource Development, Inc. for the equity debt placement totaling $39 million. Likewise, previously announced was a letter of intent with Browning-Ferris Industries for a long-term contract to supply waste to the facility.

FERST has already received the required local "use permit." "This is the big one we have all been waiting for," said Ron Pickett, president of FERST. "We can now get on a definitive construction schedule and proceed to financial closing." The Maryland Energy Finance Administration has induced $32 million in tax-exempt bond financing for the project.

The project is expected to break ground in the fall of 1990 and be fully operational by January 1992, recycling 120,000 tons per year of materials which are currently landfilled. The plant will be the first of its kind in the United States, combining recycling and composting under one roof in a fully enclosed facility.

CONTACT: Ronald W. Pickett of F&E Resource Systems Technology, Inc., 301-953-9721

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#90276p1171 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA ANA, CA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Pickblue has announced its decision to include a power protection package as an integral part of its new RISC System/6000 offering.

Recognizing the importance of power quality to data integrity, Pickblue will distribute Power Witness by Atkin/Jones Computer Service Inc. as an option for each RISC System/6000 sold through its U.S. and Canadian Dealer network. The Power Witness protection package is also available for use with PICK/RT Systems.

Power Witness combines an on-line UPS (uninterruptible power source) with an intelligent, fault-tolerant UPS monitor. The device initiates a user defined system shutdown whenever a power failure occurs.

Power Witness includes and on-line UPS to provide constant power conditioning and an emergency power supply. Power Witness software constantly monitors UPS operation and ambient temperature. Other environmental conditions can be detected with optional sensors.

If a power interruption occurs, or if environmental conditions exceed user defined parameters, Power Witness will alert the operator and direct an orderly shutdown according to user specified procedures. When the system is safely shut down and if external power has not been restored, Power Witness will turn off the UPS to conserve battery energy.

Power Witness is the first in a series of products released by Atkins/Jones to help reduce or eliminate power-related service problems.

Atkins/Jones is an independent computer service organization based in Santa Ana, Calif. The firm specializes in the installation, maintenance and support of Pick Based Computer systems, plus a select group of peripherals.

Pickblue is an affiliate company of Pick Systems, Irvine, Calif., which markets the Pick System, representing a 2.5 billion turnkey market. The system is licensed by more than 20 mid-range and mainframe computer manufacturers that resell the Pick System bundled with nearly 3000 vertical business applications worldwide. The multiuser relational database management environment is sold and supported by an estimated 2,500 VAR's throughout the world.

Pick Systems is a privately held company recognized internationally as the developer and supplier of the Pick System, a data management operating system fully portable to standard hardware platforms. Founded in 1972, Pick Systems has offices in Irvine, London, Paris and Tokyo.

CONTACT: Mark Pick of Pickblue, 714-476-2583; or Greg Atkin of Atkin, Jones Computer Service, 714-953-4351

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#90276p1179 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
SIOUX CITY, IA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Securities and Exchange Commission has approved the application of Midwest Energy Co. (NYSE: MWE) (MWE) of Sioux City and Iowa Resources Inc. (NYSE: IOR) (IOR) of Des Moines to merge into Midwest Resources Inc., a new public utility holding company.

The merger was approved by shareholders of both companies in May 1990 and by the Iowa Utilities Board in July 1990. The merger is awaiting the termination or the expiration of the waiting period by the Federal Trade Commission.

Midwest Resources, will issue its own stock to MWE and IOR shareholders. MWE shareholders will receive 1.08 shares of stock in the new corporation for each share of stock they currently hold. IOR shareholders will receive 1.235 shares of new stock for each share they currently hold.

MWE is a holding company with major interests in electric and natural gas utilities and additional investments in diversified businesses. MWE's principal subsidiary, Iowa Public Service Co., provides electric service through its IPS Electric division to 156,000 customers in Iowa and southwestern South Dakota. The IPS natural gas division, Midwest Gas, serves 347,000 customers in Iowa, Minnesota, South Dakota and Nebraska.

IOR is a holding company with interests in electricity, telecommunications, computers and real estate investments. IOR owns Iowa Power, an electric utility serving 250,000 customers, all in Iowa. Iowa Power serves central and southwest Iowa including Des Moines and Council Bluffs.

CONTACT: Peter R. Langlois of Midwest Energy Co., 712-277-7810.

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#90276p1180 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEVELAND (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - LTV Steel today responded to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management's news release made earlier today by stating that, contrary to IDEM's statement, company records indicate that LTV Steel did not ignore IDEM's 1986 order and, in fact, complied with the order's requirement to install water treatment equipment. Similarly, the company has complied with the 1988 order which was not related to the 1986 order. Company records also indicate that the company's Indiana Harbor Works has met the IDEM permit standards over 99 percent of the time in 1990.

LTV Steel has a demonstrated record of environmental responsibility and will oppose IDEM in its legal action. Just at the Indiana Harbor Works, the company has expended nearly $140 million on modern environmental control equipment in order to comply with federal, state and local environmental regulations. Additionally, the company spends approximately $22 million each

year for the operation and maintenance of these facilities and has 61 on-site and support personnel dedicated solely to environmental control activities.

With respect to the oil spill last summer into the Indiana Harbor, while it has been speculated that this spill came from an outfall on LTV Steel's property, the particular outfall identified collects discharges from both LTV and other sources. To LTV Steel's knowledge the source of the oil spill is yet to be determined. LTV Steel cooperated fully with clean up efforts and has been active in seeking to determine the source of the spill.

LTV Steel is the nation's leader in the manufacture and sale of engineered steels for demanding applications and is a wholly owned subsidiary of The LTV Corporation (NYSE: QLTV), a diversified operating company also involved in aerospace/defense and energy products.

CONTACT: Jolice Pojeta of LTV Steel Company, Indiana Harbor Works, 219-391-3632, or David L. Carroll of LTV Steel Company, Cleveland, 216-622-4600.

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#90276p1181 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PONTIAC, MI. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Pontiac Division closed the final month of the 1990 model year with sales of 59,036 vehicles, a 4.4 percent increase over September 1989 sales.

The General Motors division also showed a strong end-of-year push in the final four months of the 1990 model year, to a 4.0 percent increase over the same period last model year, with June-September 1990 sales totaling 243,770 vehicles.

"Our sales in September and in the last four-month summer period show a positive momentum that is significant in the current economic climate," said Pontiac General Manager John G. Middlebrook.

Pontiac projects a 7.2 percent share of industry passenger car sales in the June-September period, compared with a 6.7 percent share in the comparable four-month period of the 1989 model year.

For the entire 1990 model year, Pontiac dealers delivered 660,990 new cars and Trans Sport minivans, compared with 734,658 units in the 1989 model year.

"Pontiac's model year sales trended closely with the total vehicle market, but we're encouraged that in the final four months of the model year we were able to snare a bigger share of total industry sales," said Middlebrook. "For the 1990 calendar year through Sept. 30, our new car sales are taking a 7.0 percent share of industry sales and we expect to end the calendar year with a larger share than the 6.9 percent level recorded for 1989."

Middlebrook credited a number of 1990 Pontiac products for helping the division in the model year:

-- Sunbird sales in the 1990 model year jumped 15.5 percent over the previous year with deliveries of 112,600 units, the best model year performance since 1985. Convertible sales totaled 12,800 units, better than four times the number sold in 1989 and a record for the popular subcompact.

-- Grand Am, Pontiac's volume leader, topped the 200,000-mark for the fourth consecutive model year with sales of 208,813 units -- expected to place it among the top 10 nameplates in the industry when final 1990 sales figures are tallied.

-- For the model year, Trans Sport sales totaled 27,187 units. -- With the introduction of the four-door model, Grand Prix sales in the model year reached a total of 114,620 units.

CONTACT: Reg Harris of Pontiac Division, 313-857-1572

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#90276p1185 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - United States District Judge Alan McDonald last week released his ruling that General Electric hid serious doubts about its design of a giant nuclear containment vessel for the Washington Public Power Supply System plant in Richland, Wash.

Judge McDonald's ruling removes a limitation of damages clause in the 1971 contract between WPPSS and GE. Enforcement of that clause would have limited damages to $110 million rather than the $1 billion WPPSS had sought through its lawsuit.

Judge McDonald sealed his ruling when he originally made it last June to avoid causing bias in the jury that was considering the billion dollar damage claim by WPPSS. The jury was unable to reach a unanimous verdict and a mistrial was declared in July after the trial in Phoenix, Ariz.

WPPSS was represented in the case by the firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone with Tom Heiden and Wolf Hoppe serving as lead trial counsel.

"Judge McDonald presided over every minute of a five-month trial and ruled after he had heard all of the evidence," said Heiden.

The trial involved more than 100 witnesses, more than 150 motions and some 15,000 pages of trial transcript. Pre-trial activities generated approximately 18 million pieces of paper which were organized on specially designed computer software using state-of-the-art technology.

Heiden previously represented Consumers Power Company in a case involving one of the first nuclear power plants, Palisades, located in Michigan. In 1985 the Miller Canfield firm obtained a $750 million out-of-court settlement for the City of Austin and other owners of the South Texas Nuclear Project against Brown & Root and the Halliburton Company. Last December, Miller Canfield filed an amended suit on behalf of certain owners of the Seabrook Nuclear Station against the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The suit seeks several hundred million dollars in damages and challenges actions taken by the Commonwealth to prevent operation of the Seabrook station.

Anthony C. Eitreim, senior counsel for Washington Public Power Supply System, described Miller Canfield as one of a small number of law firms in the nation with experience in complex litigation. "The law firm's experience in working with nuclear industry experts and its practical application of computerized litigation support were essential in presenting very difficult material to the jury," Eitreim said.

Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone is a major law firm with offices in Michigan, Washington, D.C. and Florida.

CONTACT: Tom Heiden of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, 313-496-7660.

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#90276p1186 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Ronald W. Allen, chairman, president, and chief executive officer of Delta Air Lines, has signed purchase agreements for two McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) MD-11 trijets and 26 MD-90-30 medium-range twin jets. Delta also took options on 22 additional MD-88s.

The signing confirms Delta's intention to purchase up to 160 MD-90-30s -- the original launch order for the next generation twin jet -- which was announced in November 1989. Delta's intention to buy two additional MD-11s was announced in May 1990. Its trijet commitments now total 42.

The MD-90-30 contract covers 100 aircraft and includes a provision for the airline to convert up to 60 MD-88 orders to MD-90-30 orders at a later date. Delta now holds 167 commitments for the MD-88.

Delta's MD-90-30s are scheduled for delivery beginning in late 1994. Delta's two new MD-11 aircraft are scheduled for delivery in the first and third quarters of 1994.

Delta will operate its MD-90-30s in a 152 passenger mixed-class configuration and has opted for a three-class, 264 passenger seating arrangement for its MD-11 long-range wide-cabin jets.

The MD-90-30 has a maximum takeoff gross weight of 156,000 pounds (70,761 kg) and a range of 2,400 nautical miles (3,870 km). The MD-90 series aircraft will be powered by the International Aero Engines V2500 engine, built by an international consortium of engine manufacturers. The V2500, already certified for commercial use, is the quietest engine in its class.

As of Sept. 1, 1990, McDonnell Douglas had received 1,715 orders and other commitments for the MD-80 and MD-90 programs, and 379 commitments for the MD-11.

CONTACT: Teri Walulik of Douglas Aircraft Co., 213-982-7605.

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#90276p1187 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

RANDOLPH, NJ (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of United Jersey Bank/Northwest has voted to merge with United Jersey Bank. The board of United Jersey Bank will meet later this month to consider and vote on the proposed merger. The completion of the merger would be early in 1991 following the approvals of the board of United Jersey Bank and regulatory agencies.

Doris M. Tarrant, chairman, president and chief executive officer of United Jersey Bank/Northwest will continue with the combined institution working closely with Fred M. Moses, president and chief executive officer of United Jersey Bank. Tarrant will concentrate on various aspects of the transition.

Both banks are subsidiaries of the Princeton, N.J.-based UJB Financial Corp. (NYSE: UJB). United Jersey Bank is headquartered in Hackensack, N.J., and, with $6.3 billion in assets and 76 offices, is UJB Financial's largest member bank. United Jersey Bank/Northwest has $533.7 million in assets and operates 15 offices in Morris County, N.J.

Commenting on the proposed merger, T. Joseph Semrod, chairman, president and chief executive officer of UJB Financial said, "United Jersey Bank/Northwest under the leadership of Doris Tarrant has been one of our top performing banks. This proposed merger is the latest in a series of consolidations designed to improve customer convenience and increase operating efficiencies. In 1990, we have completed one internal merger and are in the final stages of two others. With the proposed consolidation of United Jersey Bank/Northwest, we will have only three banks in New Jersey rather than the seven we had at the beginning of this year."

UJB Financial has $13.3 billion in assets and more than 270 offices in New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania. The company has nine member banks and 11 active non-bank subsidiaries providing financial services to individuals, businesses, not-for-profit organizations, government entities and other financial institutions.

CONTACT: Barrie H. MacKay, 609-987-3350, or Faith P. Goldstein, 609-987-3341, both of UJB Financial

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#90276p1191 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Woolworth Corporation (NYSE: Z) said its wholly owned Canadian subsidiary, F.W. Woolworth Co. Limited, today delivered a letter to The Oshawa Group Limited (TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE: OSH.A) of Toronto expressing surprise that Woolworth has not been given the opportunity to bid on the acquisition of Oshawa's 51-store Towers Department Stores Inc. subsidiary and asking for information that would enable it to do so.

The letter was sent by Woolworth following recent reports in the Canadian press that Oshawa is considering selling its Towers chain to Zellers Inc., a subsidiary of Hudson's Bay Company.

Toronto-based F.W. Woolworth Co. Limited operates some 462 general merchandise and specialty stores in Canada, including 146 Woolco full- line promotional department stores.

Following is the complete text of the letter sent today by F.W. Woolworth Co. Limited to The Oshawa Group Limited:

"We are disappointed to learn from today's paper that you are contemplating selling the Towers operation to Zellers, and we're surprised that we haven't been given an opportunity to make an offer.

"In fairness to your company and its shareholders, we would like to have the same information regarding the Towers operation made available to us as has been made available to Zellers, in order to assess whether we would be prepared to make an offer.

"We'd appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible."

CONTACT: W. Barry Thomson for Woolworth, 212-553-2394

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#90276p1192 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Shamitoff Industries has signed separate agreements with United Media and Marvel Entertainment Group to create and develop concepts and new products in the toy, clothing, comic book and animated cartoon fields. Joel B. Shamitoff, chairman and chief executive officer, reported that Toy Fair in February, 1991 is targeted for introduction of the first of the new products.

United Media, which owns the United Feature Syndicate, is the licensor of the

Peanuts and Garfield characters. Shamitoff called the agreement with United Media "a milestone. We understand it is the first time United Media has agreed to represent and market an inventor and his future products."

The United Media-Shamitoff agreement is a multi-million dollar, several year arrangement, Shamitoff said. United Media will act as Shamitoff's exclusive worldwide representative for consumer products, fictional characters, premium products and incentive products. For the toy market, Shamitoff will focus on developing, action toys, stuffed animal characters, creative board games, and video games.

Shamitoff also has signed an agreement with Marvel Entertainment Group to publish properties utilizing the comic book medium for promotional use by major Fortune 500 companies.

James Galton, president of Marvel, commented, "Shamitoff Industries has a fine reputation in the area of product development and we are delighted to be associated with them. Together, I believe our creative talents will meld perfectly."

Shamitoff and Marvel are currently working on a significant project involving one of the world's largest soft-drink companies.

CONTACT: Tom Trevett or Monika Young Moulin, 213-385-5271, of Ruder Finn, for Shamitoff Industries

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#90276p1197 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - AIM Strategic Income Fund Inc. (AMEX: AST) declared on Oct. 3, 1990, a dividend of 8 cents ($.08) per share from net investment income to shareholders of record Oct. 12, 1990. Payment date is Oct. 22, 1990.

Advised by AIM Advisors Inc.

CONTACT: John J. Arthur of AIM Advisors Inc., 713-626-1919, for AIM Strategic Income Fund Inc.

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#90276p1204 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Scholastic Corporation announced today that it has postponed indefinitely its proposed initial public offering of 4.2 million shares of common stock due to the volatility of current market conditions.

The company had filed a registration statement with the Securities and

Exchange Commission on Aug. 10 for the proposed offering which included 3,270,000 shares to be sold by the company and 930,000 shares to be sold by certain selling stockholders.

The offering was to have been made concurrently in the United States and internationally -- 3.4 million shares in the United States and 800,000 shares internationally. The U.S. offering was to be co-managed by Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Alex. Brown & Sons Incorporated, and the international offering was to be co-managed by Goldman Sachs International Limited and Alex. Brown & Sons Incorporated.

Said Richard Robinson, chairman, chief executive officer and president of the company, "Despite the difficult market conditions which evolved since we announced this offering seven weeks ago, the response we received from prospective investors was very positive. Given the volatility of the current market environment, however, we feel it is not in the best interest of the company or its shareholders to proceed with this offering at this time. Fortunately, the company is able to postpone this offering indefinitely because of the company's strong financial position."

Headquartered in New York City, Scholastic Inc. is a leading publisher and distributor of children's books, classroom and professional magazines and other educational materials, with operations in the United States, Canada, Australia, the United Kingdom and New Zealand.

CONTACT: Jeanne Krier of Scholastic, 212-505-3410.

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#90276p1213 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Value Fund, Inc. (NYSE: TVF) today announced a capital gain distribution of $0.55 per share payable Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 17, 1990. This distribution represents substantially all of Templeton Value Fund's realized capital gains since Nov. 1, 1989.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Mistele, secretary of Templeton Value Fund, Inc., 800-237-0738, ext. 7660.

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#90276p1214 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - ACA JOE Inc. announced today that it lost money on its operations during the second fiscal quarter which ended July 28, 1990. The company estimated that it lost approximately $2,518,000 on revenues of approximately $3,072,000. That compares with losses of $2,310,000 on sales of $2,404,000 in the same quarter last year.

ACA JOE's primary source of funds is a credit line with its major shareholder United Trend Holdings, B.V., which at the quarter ending date had an outstanding balance of $15,093,000, including a reserve of $2,140,000 related to bankruptcy claims. This amount exceeds the credit line limit.

The company said that, for the remainder of this fiscal year, it plans to expand its wholesale and franchising divisions' sales in the United States and abroad and that it plans to open approximately five outlet stores and to establish various new franchise store locations.

ACA JOE Inc. is a specialty retailer headquartered in San Francisco with stores around the country.

CONTACT: Val Hornstein or Debbie Rodine of ACA JOE Inc., 415-546-0558.

-30- 1262

#90276p1215 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Service Corporation International (NYSE: SRV) announced that it has entered into a definitive agreement for the previously announced sale of its casket supply business to a group of industry participants. The purchase price for the business is $55 million, consisting of cash and debt of the newly organized acquiring company. The closing of the transaction is scheduled for Oct. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Jerry Wattel of Burson-Marsteller, 212-614-4007, or Bill Barrett of Service Corporation International, 713-525-5497

-30- 728

#90276p1217 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Emerging Markets Fund, Inc. (NYSE: EMF), today announced a dividend of $0.16 per share from net investment income and a capital gain distribution of $1.62 per share payable Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 17, 1990. These dividends and distributions represent substantially all of Templeton Emerging Markets Fund's net investment income since Jan. 1, 1990, and realized capital gains since Nov. 1, 1989.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Mistele, secretary of Templeton Emerging Markets Fund, Inc., 800-237-0738, ext. 7660.

-30- 751

#90276p1224 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

EATONTOWN, N.J. (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - PVC Container Corporation (NASDAQ: PVCC) announced today that its net income for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, increased 5 percent to $427,628 as compared to $407,245 for the fiscal

year ended June 30, 1989. Earnings per common share were $.06 compared with $.07 for the same period a year ago.

Total net sales for fiscal 1990 of $27,508,215 decreased approximately 5 percent when compared to net sales of $28,935,361 for fiscal 1989. Income from operations for fiscal 1990 increased approximately 50 percent to a level of $1,267,644, or 4.6 percent of sales as compared to $842,800, or 2.9 percent of sales for fiscal 1989.

Phillip L. Friedman, president and chief executive officer, said, "PVC Container's fiscal year results reflect a sluggish demand for plastic bottles experienced during the first six months of the fiscal year in addition to absorbing some non-recurring start-up expenses associated with the completion and relocation of the company's plastic bottle business to its new manufacturing facility. The financing costs of the new manufacturing facility resulted in an increase of interest expense of approximately 114 percent to $604,839 for fiscal 1990 as compared to $282,333 for fiscal 1989."

"Increased operating income was primarily the result of improved performance in the company's plastic compounding business. The PVC compound margins benefited during the fiscal year due to lower PVC resin prices as compared with fiscal 1989. An improvement in the demand for plastic bottles in the second half of the fiscal year also helped boost operating income," he said.

"The new bottle manufacturing facility is operating at improved levels of efficiency, and should put us in a better position to compete in our markets in the coming years. The company has also replaced several of its older blow molding machines with newer state-of-the-art extrusion blow molding equipment and has also introduced some bottle decorating capabilities which will result in more added value for our plastic bottles," he stated.

Friedman added, "Our Novatec Plastics division continues to make progress on diversifying our compound business into specialty niche markets which will be less sensitive to price competition experienced in some of the commodity compound markets. Selling and R&D expenses have increased during the fiscal year to support a more accelerated effort to commercialize new plastic compounds and alloys. Additionally, the company has increased its pelletizing capabilities which is expected to improve the compound plant's flexibility while modestly increasing its overall plant capacity."

PVC Container Corporation, located in Eatontown, is a major producer of plastic containers for the packaging industry. Its wholly owned subsidiary, Novatec Plastics & Chemicals Company Inc., is a leading supplier of PVC compounds and plastic alloys in the United States.

PVC CONTAINER CORPORATION

Fiscal years ended June 30:	1990	1989
Net sales	$27,508,215	$28,935,361

Income from operations	1,267,664	842,800
Interest expense	(604,839)	(282,333)
Interest earned	36,454	25,272
Other income	73,496	101,951
Income before provision for tax	772,775	687,690
Provisions for income taxes	345,147	280,445
Net income	427,628	407,245
Earnings per share	$.06	$.07
Wtd. avg. number of shrs. of common stk. & common stk. equivs. outstg.	6,729,697	6,263,321

CONTACT: Debbie Palmer of PVC Container, 201-542-0060

-30- 4013

#90276p1225 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Bank Corporation (NYSE: CBK) announced today that the Securities and Exchange Commission has declared its recent shelf registration statement for common stock effective. The statement filed was requested by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) to facilitate the sale of its remaining 26 percent equity interest in Continental.

Sale of the FDIC's interest would terminate the restructuring agreement reached between Continental and the regulatory agency in 1984. All proceeds from a sale would go to the FDIC. At the end of the second quarter, Continental reported 53,767,085 common shares and equivalents outstanding.

Since the FDIC acquired its Continental stock ownership as part of the 1984 restructuring, the agency has sold nearly 36 million shares of Continental common stock for about $788 million in three public offerings and in a sale to the Continental Employee Stock Ownership Plan. In addition, the FDIC sold its 12.8 million shares of Class A preferred stock to Continental for $273 million.

CONTACT: William Murschel, 312-923-5130, or Edgar McDougal, 312-923-5200, both of Continental Bank

-30- 1351

#90276p1227 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DRYDEN, MI (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - For its second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, Champion Enterprises, Inc. (AMEX: CHB), headquartered in Dryden, reported net income of $861,000, $0.13 per share, compared to a net loss of $2,396,000 ($0.33 per share) a year ago. Sales and revenues of $76.7 million declined 6 percent from the year-ago quarter.

Fiscal six-month net income of $1,572,000, $0.23 per share, compares to a net loss of $3,390,000 ($0.47 per share) a year earlier.

Continuing housing operations (81 percent of revenues) produced income of $3.8 million for the quarter, which was $2.1 million higher than the prior year. Transportation operations (17 percent of revenues) reported a quarterly loss of $700,000 that was attributed to poor sales (down 17 percent) and the model-year changeover.

Net losses generated from closed and other operations totalled $519,000 for the quarter, attributed primarily to the provisions relating to the decision to close two facilities. During the quarter, a gain of $610,000 was recorded from the sale of real estate holdings.

Walter R. Young Jr., president and CEO, said: "The results of the second quarter are reassuring with the continued success of our restructuring. In our ongoing housing operations, we are looking for a relatively strong third quarter and to minimize losses during our traditionally weak winter fourth quarter. In our ongoing transportation operations, we are aggressively expanding our medium-duty bus operations and consolidating our recreational vehicle operations under new management."

Champion Enterprises, Inc. is a holding company whose principal subsidiaries are leading producers and national marketers of manufactured homes, motor homes and medium-duty buses. Its common stock is listed on the American, Midwest and Pacific stock exchanges (ticker symbol: CHB).

CONTACT: Gerald W. Paga of Champion Enterprises, Inc., 313-796-2211.

-30- 2125

#90276p1239 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH, (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Papercraft Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Amalgamated Investment Corp., announced today that it will not make a cash interest payment in the amount of $2.9 million that was due Oct. 1 to the holders of the company's outstanding first priority notes and second priority notes.

The company announced that it did pay the portion of interest due Oct. 1 on such notes that was payable through the issuance of additional first priority notes and second priority notes. The first and second priority notes were originally issued in connection with Papercraft's May 1989 restructuring of its then outstanding subordinated debt.

Papercraft has commenced discussions with a bondholder committee representing a substantial majority of the first priority notes and the second priority notes in an attempt to reach a long-term solution to adjust or reduce Papercraft's debt service requirements. In connection with the discussions, the members of the bondholder committee have indicated that until Nov. 2, 1990 they will not exercise any rights of acceleration arising from the nonpayment of cash interest (and will not seek to influence the trustee to exercise any

such rights) under the indentures relating to the first and second priority notes.

Papercraft Corp., through its subsidiaries, is a manufacturer and distributor of household products.

CONTACT: Michael Arnold, president and CEO of Amalgamated Investment Corp., 412-362-8000, ext. 230

-30- 1671

#90276p1246 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OHIO (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) will be offering the military three-minute long-distance telephone calls at no charge to anywhere in the world from Oct. 4 through Oct. 6.

Military personnel wanting to call someone in Japan, or Germany, for example, or just check in with relatives back home can visit the AT&T exhibit at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base Exchange. At the exhibit, AT&T will allow military families to make three-minute long- distance calls at no charge to any location in the United States and to more than 270 countries and areas worldwide.

Visitors to the AT&T booth also will be given an opportunity to learn how to save money on long-distance calling, how to reach the AT&T network by dialing 10-ATT-0 when using a public phone not subscribed to the AT&T Worldwide Intelligent Network and how to use AT&T products and services.

AT&T also will be giving away prizes, including an AT&T telephone.

CONTACT: Tamara T. Hacker of AT&T, 216-328-3071

-30- 1174

#90276p1247 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corp., a subsidiary of Transco (NYSE: E) Energy Co., has declared regular dividends on all six series of its cumulative preferred stock, payable Nov. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 16, 1990.

CONTACT: Katherine E. Kemper of Transco Energy Co., 713-439-2455

-30- 525

#90276p1250 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT, (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., Inc. today established a record for car sales in the Midwest for the month of September.

Toyota car sales in 14 midwestern states totaled 11,698 for September 1990, a 9-percent increase over the previous record of 10,753 set in September 1989.

Toyota car sales for the Midwest during the first nine months of 1990 increased 17 percent to 121,704 from 103,955 reported for the Jan. 1-Sept. 30 period of 1989.

In Toyota's Chicago Region, which includes the states of Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan (Upper Peninsula), car sales in the first nine months of 1990 increased 18.2 percent. Sales for the period were 47,986 compared to 40,581 for January through September 1989.

In Toyota's Cincinnati Region, which includes the states of Ohio, Michigan (Lower Peninsula), Kentucky and Tennessee, car sales increased 17 percent in the first nine months of 1990. Sales for the period were 54,456 vs. 46,554 in 1989.

In Toyota's Kansas City Region, which includes the states of Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota, car sales in the Jan. 1-Sept. 30 period this year totaled 19,262, an increase of 14.5 percent over the 16,820 cars sold in the same period of 1989.

CONTACT: John McCandless of Toyota Motor Sales, 313-259-2004, or after hours, 313-882-1753

-30- 1554

#90276p1252 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Goldblatt's Department Stores Inc. announced today that Joe Osowski has been elected to the position of president and chief operating officer. He was formerly the executive vice president.

William Hellman, the current president, will now devote all of his time to Goldblatt's parent company, JG Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: JGIN), where he continues as president and CEO. According to Hellman, "Joe Osowski's youth, retail background and energies will help us move Goldblatt's aggressively ahead into the '90s. The management team of Osowski and Lionel Goldblatt and the organization developed by them assures a continuation of Goldblatt's expanding horizons."

Osowski comes to Goldblatt's with 30 years' experience in retailing, including senior executive positions with several nationally known chains. Most recently he was a vice president and general merchandise manager for Montgomery Ward. He received his B.A. degree from the University of Minnesota and a master's in management degree from Northwestern University.

"I am very happy to be associated with Goldblatt's. I see its potential for the 1990s and beyond and look forward to being a part of it," said Osowski.

He added that, "Goldblatt's will continue its philosophy of providing its urban customers with bargain oriented stores."

Goldblatt's is one of the oldest Chicago-based department store chains, having been founded in 914 by Nathan and Maurice Goldblatt. From one store on Chicago Avenue, it eventually grew to 47 stores in four states. Following a Chapter 11 reorganization in the early 1980s, Goldblatt's now operates 10 stores in Chicago and one in Gary, Ind.

JG Industries Inc. is a Chicago-based retailing concern that operates, through its various subsidiaries, 11 Goldblatt's Department Stores in Illinois and Indiana; 10 Huffman Koos furniture stores in New Jersey and New York; and 137 specialty retail shoe stores nationwide.

CONTACT: William Hellman of JG Industries, 312-787-0022

-30- 2206

#90276p1262 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MESA, AZ (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Recent press reports that AH-64 Apache attack helicopters in the Persian Gulf are operating below U.S. Army readiness standards are blatantly untrue, McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co. President Tom Gunn said today.

"Apaches in the Middle East are operating at rates significantly better than the 75 percent mission capable rate required by the Army," Gunn said. "McDonnell Douglas is concerned that totally erroneous and unsubstantiated reports about low availability are being circulated.

"Reports from the Army, our own personnel and industry sources close to the Apache tell us the helicopter is performing superbly in a very hostile and unforgiving environment," he said. "These reports uniformly indicate that the Apache is meeting every demand the Army places on it."

Gunn added that the recent release of the General Accounting Office report about Apache readiness is another area of concern to McDonnell Douglas since "the GAO's report is based on information that is 18 to 24 months old."

"The Army and McDonnell Douglas have been working together for more than a year to resolve field-reported concerns," Gunn said. "We've significantly improved the Apache's reliability rates -- and we believe this is clearly reflected in the way the Apache is performing in the Middle East."

The Army is planning to buy 66 more Apaches, bringing the total Army orders to 807, the full quantity needed for the Army to meet its force structure requirements.

Additionally, the Army plans to order 60 Apaches for foreign military sales to

three international customers.

"Continued support, in the form of orders, tells us that our customers appreciate the Apache's capabilities as the best combat helicopter in the world," Gunn said.

CONTACT: Hal Klopper of McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Company, 602-891-5519.

-30- 2056

#90276p1266 10/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Baroid Corporation (NYSE: BRC) today announced that New Baroid Corporation has entered into and closed upon a new bank credit agreement to replace the existing Baroid credit agreement as contemplated by the company's plan of restructuring announced in August. New Baroid is the subsidiary formed to hold the petroleum services business which the company intends to spin off. The arranger and agent for this seven-year unsecured agreement is the Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A. Other members of the bank syndicate are Banque Paribas; First City, Texas-Houston, N.A.; the Nippon Credit Bank, Ltd.,; and Continental Bank N.A. Borrowings under the agreement will bear interest at the prime rate of the Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A., or one percentage point over LIBOR at the option of New Baroid.

The company also announced that it understands that due to a backlog of pending matters at the Securities and Exchange Commission, the company has not yet received comments on its regulatory filing. As a result, the company said that the record date for determining stockholders entitled to receive the dividend of shares in New Baroid is now anticipated to be in the second half of October and that the exact date will be set by the company's board of directors upon completion of SEC regulatory compliance.

CONTACT: Robert P. Wallace of Baroid, 713-987-5186

-30- 1565

#90276t2792 10/03/1990 ~ts

DAMASCUS (OCTOBER 3) TASS - THE ELITE UNITS OF THE IRAQI ARMED FORCES -- THE NATIONAL GUARD -- HAVE BEEN FULLY WITHDRAWN FROM KUWAIT ON SADDAM HUSSEIN'S ORDER AND DEPLOYED IN IRAQ'S HINTERLAND, THE SANA NEWS AGENCY REPORTED TODAY WITH REFERENCE TO RADIO EL RIYADH.

SANA POINTS OUT THAT THE REDEPLYMENT WAS MAINLY CAUSED BY MANIFESTATIONS OF WIDESPREAD DISCONTENT AMONG THESE UNITS OVER THE PLIGHT THEY HAVE FOUND THEMSELVES IN.

THE RADIO SAID A GROUP OF SENIOR NATIONAL GUARD OFFICERS DEMANDED THAT THE COMMAND ENSURE AIR SUPPORT FOR THE TROOPS STATIONED IN KUWAIT. HOWEVER, HUSSEIN REFUSED THE DEMAND AND ORDERED A WITHDRAWAL OF THE NATIONAL GUARD,

WHICH HAS BEEN REGARDED THE MAINSTAY OF THE REGIME, TO IRAQ.

THE REPORT DRAWS ATTENTION TO A MISINFORMATION CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED BY BAGHDAD IN AN ATTEMPT TO CONCEAL FACTS CONCERNING THE ACTUAL DEVELOPMENT OF EVENTS FROM IT OWN PEOPLE.

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#90276t2833 10/03/1990 ~ts

LENINGRAD (OCTOBER 3) TASS - LENINGRAD'S CITY COUNCIL BEGAN ITS SECOND SESSION HERE TODAY TO DISCUSS WAYS OF REVITALISING THE CITY'S CRUMBLING ECONOMY, A PROPOSED FREE ECONOMIC ZONE AND OTHER SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ISSUES.

THE SESSION WILL ALSO REPLACE THE OLD EXECUTIVE WITH A NEW ONE.

THE MEETING WAS DISRUPTED WHEN SEVERAL DEPUTIES DEMANDED THAT RUSSIA'S PRE-REVOLUTIONARY FLAG HOISTED IN THE HALL BE REMOVED.

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#90276t2845 10/03/1990 ~ts

UNITED NATIONS (OCTOBER 4) TASS - THE JOINT SOVIET-AMERICAN STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF UNITED NATIONS ACTIVITIES IS THE INDICATOR OF THE TWO COUNTRIES' NEW APPROACH TO AN ASSESSMENT OF THE ROLE AND IMPORTANCE OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN SHAPING A POST-CONFRONTATION WORLD ORDER, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE SAID HERE IN COMMENT ON THE STATEMENT ADOPTED ON THURSDAY.

"WHILE DEEPENING THE SOVIET-AMERICAN DIALOGUE, WE DO NOT IMAGINE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS WITHOUT THE ACTIVATION OF MULTILATERAL MECHANISMS," HE EMPHASISED.

SHEVARDNADZE UNDERLINED THE NEED FOR THE WORLD COMMUNITY TO COMBINE EFFORTS AND ACHIEVE CONSENSUS IN THE MOVEMENT TOWARDS A NEW WORLD ORDER THROUGH A BALANCE OF COMMON INTERESTS.

"IN ORDER TO RAISE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE U.N., IT IS IMPORTANT THAT ALL U.N. AGENCIES SERVE AS A CENTRE FOR THE COORDINATION OF THE POLICIES AND SPECIFIC ACTIONS OF STATES. WE SUGGEST ADJUSTING THE U.N. FINANCING SYSTEM AND MAKING THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL SERVICE A MODEL OF HIGH COMPETENCE AND PROFESSIONALISM," SHEVARDNADZE STRESSED. HE WELCOMED THE U.N. ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE GULF CRISIS.

THE SOVIET MINISTER INVITED THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO SUPPORT THE GOALS CONTAINED IN THE STATEMENT. "WE BELIEVE THAT THE SOVIET-AMERICAN INITIATIVE IN THIS FIELD WILL SERVE THE CAUSE OF FOSTERING RELATIONS OF PEACE AND COOPERATION THROUGHOUT THE COORDINATE SYSTEM OF A NEW AND STILL RATHER FRAGILE WORLD ORDER", HE SAID.

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#90276u0101 10/03/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 3) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Kansas City at Cleveland, 12:35 p.m.
Seattle at Minnesota, 1:15 p.m.
California at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.
Detroit at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Texas at Milwaukee, 8:35 p.m.
(end regular season)

NATIONAL LEAGUE
New York at Pittsburgh, 1:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Montreal, 1:35 p.m.
Atlanta at San Francisco, 3:35 p.m.
Chicago at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Houston at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
San Diego at Los Angeles, 10:05 p.m.
(end regular season)

GAMES

Beijing - Asian Games

TENNIS

Sydney - $1 million Australian Indoor Championships
Moscow - $100,000 Women's Moscow Open
Toulouse, France - $260,000 Grand Prix de Toulous

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#90276u0111 10/03/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 3) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Chicago (AL) - Outfielder Deion Sanders advised team he is rejecting their waiver claim and is now a free agent.

Philadelphia - Announced pitching coach Darold Knowles will not return next season; placed second baseman Tommy Barrett on waivers for the purpose of

giving him his unconditional release.

St. Louis - Informed pitching coach Mike Roarke, batting coach Steve Braun, first- base coach Jim Riggleman and third-base coach Rich Hacker they will not be returning for the 1991 season.

San Diego - Named Joe McIlvaine general manager.

BASKETBALL

Boston - Signed center Stojan Vrankovic to a multi-year contract.

Golden State - Signed forward Tryone Hill to a four-year contract.

LA Clippers - Signed forward Loy Vaught and free-agent center Greg Butler.

Miami - Acquired forward Jeff Sanders from the Chicago Bulls in exchange for future considerations.

Minnesota - Agreed to contract terms with free-agent forwards Brian Rowsom and Richard Coffey.

COLLEGE

NCAA - Rejected an appeal by Florida for a change in a ban on postseason football appearances this season.

FOOTBALL

Buffalo - Placed wide receivers Clarkston Hines and Vernon Turner, and defensive tackle Pat Marlatt on the practice roster.

Cleveland - Signed holdout cornerback Frank Minnifield.

San Diego - Released kicker Faud Reveiz; signed guard Dean Brown and cornerback Derrick Kelson to the practice squad.

HOCKEY

Buffalo - Sent forward Bob Corkum, and defensemen Dale Degray and Kevin Haller to Rochester of the American Hockey League.

Detroit - Assigned goaltender Dave Gagnon and forward Daniel Shank to Adirondack of the American Hockey League.

Hartford - Sent goaltender Daryl Reaugh to Springfield of the American Hockey League; sent goaltender Lance Madsen to Louisville of the Atlantic Coast Hockey League; sent defenseman Vincent Boe to Seattle of the Western Hockey

League.

St. Louis - Assigned forwards Michel Mongeau, David Bruce and Kelly Chase and defenseman Gordie Roberts to Peoria of the International Hockey League.

Toronto - Assigned forwards Gilles Thibaudeau and Joe Sacco to Newmarket of the American Hockey League.

Edmonton - Defenseman Randy Gregg announced retirement.

YACHTING

America's Cup Organizing Committee - Confirmed Team Dennis Conner, Beach Boys USA and Triumph America as defense teams for 1992 America's Cup.

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#90276u0116 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (OCT. 3) UPI - An aspirin tablet taken every other day can significantly reduce the incidence of migraine headaches among men and may do the same for women, researchers said.

A study involving 22,071 male doctors found those who took aspirin regularly experienced 20 percent fewer migraines than those given a dummy pill.

Although the research involved only men, ''there is no reason to think aspirin could not also help reduce migraines in women,'' said Julie Buring of the Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

Up to 7 percent of adult men in the United States and as many as 20 percent of adult women are believed to suffer from frequent or occasional migraine headaches, which can be accompanied by debilitating pain, she said.

Migraines, one of several classifications of headaches, are not well understood but are thought to be caused by enlargement of blood vessels in the brain. Buring said other types of headaches have different causes, such as muscle tightness and low blood sugar. Headaches are most commonly treated with pain relievers called analgesics.

In a new report published Tuesday in the Journal of the American Medical Association, 11,037 male doctors participating in a long-term study known as the Physicians' Health Study took a standard 325 milligram buffered aspirin tablet every two days while 11,034 doctors took a worthless substitute.

Among the doctors who took the aspirin, only 661 - 6 percent - had at least one migraine headache during the five-year study while 818 - or 7.4 percent - of the doctors who took the dummy pills had at least one migraine.

The difference represented a ''statistically significant 20 percent reduction in recurrence rate,'' Buring and her colleagues reported.

The study participants had an average age of 53 and the two groups were equally matched according to characteristics such as blood pressure, cholesterol levels, amount of regular exercise, smoking and alcohol consumption.

In 1988, researchers studying the same group concluded that those taking aspirin cut the risk of suffering a heart attack nearly in half.

At the time, researchers said it appeared aspirin reduced heart attacks by making it harder for platelets - substances in the blood which aid in blood clotting - to clump together, forming clots that can help block arteries.

Aspirin's ability to reduce platelet clumping also may be important in migraine reduction, although the mechanism is different, Buring said. ''We don't understand what causes migraines,'' Buring said, though she added a blood chemical named serotonin is believed to play a role.

Researchers know that shortly before a migraine attack, significant amounts of serotonin are released from platelets, where the chemical is encapsulated. The serotonin then is believed to trigger enlargement of blood vessels in the brain, resulting in the painful symptoms of migraines.

By helping prevent the clumping of platelets, aspirin appears to inhibit the ability of serotonin to break out of platelets, thus preventing migraines, Buring said.

Because the study found aspirin had no apparent ability to reduce the incidence of the far more common, and generally less painful, type of headache many people suffer, she said the researchers concluded that aspirin's effect on migraines was not due to its pain-relieving ability. Plus, ''the dose is too low to affect a migraine,'' she said.

As a next step in the research, Buring said she and colleagues hope to conduct an even larger nationwide study measuring aspirin's ability to reduce migraines and heart attacks in female nurses.

In the meantime, she said it appears migraine sufferers could benefit from taking aspirin as a preventive measure, given that its side effects, such as gastrointestinal discomfort, are comparatively infrequent and well understood. But people ''should remember this is a drug and consult first with a doctor,'' she added.

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#90276u0118 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

ROCHESTER, MI (OCT. 3) UPI - A Detroit sportscaster filed an assault and battery complaint Tuesday against Detroit Piston Isiah Thomas, alleging the guard choked and threw him against a car.

Virg Jacques, of WJBK-TV, filed the charges with the Oakland University Department of Public Safety following a Pistons practice.

Thomas could not be reached for comment, and Pistons General Manager Jack McCloskey said he would not comment on the complaint until he talked with all parties involved.

''When I was done with my interviews it just so happened that he was leaving at the same time my cameraman and I were leaving,'' Jacques said. ''Isiah walked out the door, followed by my cameraman and then followed by me. When we got outside, he turned around and saw me there and said, 'Hey man, I want to say something to you.'

''After which I went over and said 'Sure what do you want?' He paused and then said, 'Ah, forget it.' I said, 'No, if you want to say something, go ahead.' He paused again and said, 'Naw, forget it.'''

Jacques said he went to his vehicle and was waiting for his cameraman to let him in.

''He (Thomas) got over to his car and it appeared that he was having a conversation with James Edwards, whose vehicle was parked next to Isiah's,'' Jacques said. ''Isiah appeared to be talking with James but was looking at me.

''Finally, I told my cameraman, 'Let me go see what's going on.' So I walked over to his car and he was near the driver's side door. I said, 'You want to say something? You said earlier you wanted to talk, now you don't want to talk. Now you're staring. What's going on? Is there a problem? You gonna be like this all season?

''Essentially, he started shouting some obscenities, telling me to get out of his face. After a little bit of verbal exchange on his part, he lunged toward me and pushed me against his car and started choking me.''

The sportscaster said Edwards witnessed the scuffle and added that he would be willing to take a lie detector test to prove the allegations.

The Oakland University Department of Public Safety is investigating the incident.

-30- 2335

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(OCT. 3) UPI - Student protesters in the seventh day of a sit-in at the

University of the District of Columbia won some concessions Tuesday. An artist withdrew her gift of a controversial piece of artwork to the Washington school and three Board of Trustee members announced they would quit. However, only two of the trustees are among the 12 whose resignations the students are seeking.

Wheelchair-bound protesters expanded their demonstration Tuesday from the office of the president of Moorehouse College in Atlanta to a state health-care office. The group... American Disabled for Attendant Programs Today, or ADAPT... is pressing for Medicaid funding for home care for the disabled. The protest targeted Moorehouse because Health Secretary Louis Sullivan is a former president of the insitution's medical school.

Authorities in Winthrop, Massachusetts, suspect that a natural gas leak caused the ''massive'' explosion and fire that leveled two homes and heavily damaged three more in the Boston suburb Tuesday. Six firefighters were treated for smoke inhalation and minor burns. NO residents were reported hurt.

-30- 1280

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(OCT. 3) UPI - In his nationally broadcast speech Tuesday night, President Bush warned that enactment of the 500-BILLION-dollar package of tax hikes and spending cuts is necessary to prevent a recession. He urged Americans to embrace the package and make the vote in Congress less difficult for lawmakers. In the face of the upcoming elections, negotiators who hammered out the deal decided that any agreement must win the support of a majority of both Democrats and Republicans in both the House and Senate. That's to prevent one party from blaming the other for the painful effects of the accord.

East and West Germany have officially became one... and President Bush sent a taped message from the Oval Office congratulating the German people for the re-unification of their long-divided nation. Bush declined an invitation to go to Germany's for the re-unification ceremony. But he plans to host a ceremony of his own in the Rose Garden Wednesday to celebrate the historic event.

Officials at the World Health Organization say more than five- thousand new AIDS cases were reported last month- mostly from the United States, Germany, Switzerland and The Netherlands. Since the Geneva-based U-N agency began keeping track a decade ago, the number of documented AIDS cases worldwide has risen to more than 288-thousand.

Researchers at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston report that an aspirin tablet taken every other day can significantly reduce the incidence of migraine headaches among men. They say it may do the same for women. Migraines... which can cause debilitating pain... are thought to stem from enlargement of blood vessels in the brain.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
y-Boston	87	74	.540	-	50-31	37-43	5-5	L-1
Toronto	86	75	.534	1	44-37	42-38	4-6	W-1
Detroit	78	83	.484	9	39-42	39-41	4-5	L-1
Baltimore	75	85	.469	11 1/2	39-40	36-45	6-4	L-1
Cleveland	76	85	.472	11	41-40	35-45	6-4	W-2
Milwaukee	73	88	.453	14	38-41	35-47	4-6	W-1
New York	67	94	.413	20	37-42	30-52	7-3	W-1

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
West								
x-Oakland	103	58	.640	-	51-29	52-29	7-3	W-1
Chicago	94	67	.584	9	49-30	45-37	7-4	W-1
Texas	83	78	.516	20	47-35	36-43	2-8	L-1
California	79	82	.491	24	42-39	37-43	3-7	L-1
Seattle	77	84	.478	26	39-43	38-41	4-6	W-1
Kansas City	75	85	.469	27 1/2	45-36	30-49	5-5	L-1
Minnesota	73	88	.453	30	40-40	33-48	5-5	L-1

-30- 1166
#90276u0198 10/03/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 3) UPI - San Francisco police say at least four people were killed Tuesday when a car driven by a 91-year-old man who had apparently suffered a heart attack roared down a steep hill and crashed into several other cars. The dead include the elderly driver of the out-of-control car... two children trapped in a car that burst into flames... and the driver of another vehicle. The woman driver of the burning car was hospitalized in very critical condition. Three other people- possibly pedestrians- were less seriously hurt.

Health officials in Chicago continue their efforts to pin down the source of apparent food poisoning that sent at least 282 hardware conventioneers to the hospital. 47 of them have been admitted. Officials are testing food served Monday morning at the company headquarters and Sunday evening at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. But they say it could be several days or weeks before a determination is made.

The Los Angeles City Council Tuesday voted to ban animal sacrifice... becoming the first city in the nation to outlaw ritualistic slaughter under any circumstances. The new ordinance makes such killings punishable by up to six months in jail and a fine of up to one-thousand dollars. As many as 300 animal sacrifices have occurred in Los Angeles during the past year involving all

sorts of animals... but particularly dogs and cats.

-30- 1526
#90276u0215 10/03/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 3) UPI - AL BOX SCORES:

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Phillips 2b	3	0	0	1	Kelly cf	4	0	1	0
Fielder dh	4	0	0	0	Sax 2b	3	1	0	0
Bergman 1b	2	0	1	0	Maas 1b	3	1	0	0
Sheets lf	3	0	0	0	Barfield rf	4	1	2	1
GWard lf	1	0	0	0	Balboni ph	2	0	1	0
Shelby cf	4	0	0	0	Mattingly dh	1	0	0	0
Fryman ss	3	0	1	0	Meulens lf	3	0	0	0
Heath c	1	0	0	0	Velarde 3b	3	0	0	0
Salas c	3	0	0	0	Geren c	2	1	1	0
Lemon rf	2	1	1	0	Nokes c	2	0	0	0
Coles 3b	3	0	1	0	Espinoza ss	3	0	1	0
Totals	29	1	4	1	Totals	30	4	6	1

Detroit	001	000	000-	1
New York	001	000	03x-	4

E-Shelby, Je Barfield, Coles 2, Salas. DP-Detroit 2. LOB-Detroit 8, New York 7. 2B-Bergman, Lemon. SB-Sax 2 (43), Bergman (3). S-Coles. SF-Phillips.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Searcy	5	3	1	0	4	7
Nosek	1	1	0	0	0	1
Parker	1	0	0	0	0	0
Nunez (L 3-1)	1	2	3	1	1	0
New York						
Leiter	7	4	1	1	2	6
Habyan	2-3	0	0	0	1	0
Gttrmn (W 11-7)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Righetti (S 36)	1	0	0	0	2	1

PB-Salas 2.

Umpires-Home, Morrison; 1b, Roe; 2b, Barnett; 3b, Kosc.

T-3:01. A-13,734.

TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Franco 2b	3	0	0	0	Felder lf	3	0	2	0
Palmeiro 1b	4	0	0	0	Gantner 2b	4	0	1	1
Sierra rf	4	0	1	0	Yount cf	3	0	2	0
Incaviglia lf	4	0	0	0	Hamilton lf	0	0	0	0
Stanley c	3	0	0	0	Deer rf	4	0	0	0
Haselman dh	2	0	0	0	Vaughn dh	4	0	0	0
Pettis dh	1	0	0	0	Surhoff c	3	0	2	0
Belcher cf	2	0	0	0	Sveum 3b	4	0	2	0
Daughrty ph	1	0	0	0	Spiers ss	4	0	0	0
Buechele 3b	0	0	0	0	Canale 1b	2	1	0	0
Coolbagh 3b	2	0	0	0					
Reimer ph	1	0	1	0					
Kunkel cf	0	0	0	0					
Green ss	2	0	0	0					
Petralli ph	1	0	1	0					
Huson ss	0	0	0	0					
Totals	30	0	3	0	Totals	31	1	9	1

Texas	000	000	000-0
Milwaukee	001	000	00x-1

DP-Texas 1. LOB-Texas 4, Milwaukee 10. 2B-Gantner. SB-Surhoff (18). S-Felder.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Rogers (L 10-6)	6	7	1	1	2	4
Jeffcoat	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Arnsberg	1	1	0	0	1	0
Barfield	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Milwaukee						
Brown (W 1-1)	7	1	0	0	1	4
Crim	1	2	0	0	0	1
Plesac (S 24)	1	0	0	0	0	0

Umpires-Home, Voltaggio; 1b, McKean; 2b, Kaiser; 3b, Johnson.

T-2:28. A-8,936.

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Polonia lf	3	1	2	0	RHendrsn lf	4	2	1	0
Hill 2b	4	1	2	1	DHendrsn cf	4	3	3	2
Winfield rf	4	0	1	0	Canseco rf	4	0	2	2
Parrish dh	4	1	2	1	Howitt rf	0	0	0	0

Venable cf	4	0	1	0	McGwire 1b	2	0	0	0
Stevens 1b	3	1	1	2	Lansford 3b	2	0	0	0
Schu 1b	1	0	0	0	Blnknshp 3b	2	0	1	1
Schofield ss	4	0	0	0	Steinbach dh	2	0	1	0
Howell 3b	4	0	0	0	McGee dh	2	1	1	0
Orton c	3	0	1	0	Hassey c	3	0	0	0
Downing ph	1	0	0	0	Weiss ss	3	0	0	0
					Gallego 2b	3	0	0	0
					Baines ph	1	0	1	1
					Randolph 2b	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	4	10	4	Totals	32	6	10	6

California	400	000	000-	4
Oakland	100	002	21x-	6

E-Lansford. DP-California 1, Oakland 2. LOB-California 5, Oakland 7.
2B-Parrish 2, J Canseco. HR-Stevens (7), D Henderson (20). SB-J Canseco (19), Venable (4), R Henderson 2 (65). S-Hassey.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
J Abbott	5 1-3	5	3	3	2	3
Fraser (L 5-4)	1 2-3	3	2	2	1	2
B McClure	1-3	1	1	1	1	0
Eichhorn	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Oakland						
Welch (W 27-6)	7	8	4	4	1	2
Nelson	2-3	2	0	0	0	0
Honeycutt	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Eckersley (S 48)	1	0	0	0	0	0

Balk-J Abbott, Welch.

Umpires-Home, Reed; 1b, Cooney; 2b, Brinkman; 3b, Cousins.

T-2:48. A-29,042.

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	3	1	0	0	Gladden lf	4	0	1	0
Cotto cf	5	1	2	1	Liriano 2b	4	0	0	0
Griffey Sr lf	3	1	0	1	Munoz rf	4	0	0	0
Briley lf	0	0	0	0	Bush dh	4	0	1	0
ADavis dh	3	0	1	0	Gaetti 3b	4	0	1	0
Buhner rf	4	0	1	0	Sorrento 1b	4	0	2	0
TMartinz 1b	4	0	0	1	Mack cf	4	0	1	0

SBradley 3b	2	0	1	0	LWebster c	3	0	0	0
Schaefer 3b	1	0	1	0	Newman ss	3	0	1	0
Valle c	4	0	0	0					
Vizquel ss	4	0	1	0					
Totals	33	3	7	3	Totals	34	0	7	0

Seattle	200	001	000- 3
Minnesota	000	000	000- 0

E-Sorrento, Liriano. DP-Minnesota 1. LOB-Seattle 9, Minnesota 7. 2B-Cotto, Buhner, Sorrento. 3B-Vizquel. SB-Reynolds 2 (31). SF-Griffey Sr.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Hanson (W 18-9)	9	7	0	0	0	7
Minnesota						
P Abbtt (L 0-5)	5 1-3	4	3	3	3	2
Leach	1 2-3	2	0	0	1	2
Wayne	1-3	1	0	0	0	1
R Smith	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	1

WP-P Abbott. HBP-Reynolds By P Abbott.

Umpires-Home, McCoy; 1b, Phillips; 2b, Clark; 3b, Hirschbeck.

T-2:18. A-10,091.

TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
MWilson cf	4	0	1	0	SFinley rf	4	0	1	0
TFernndz ss	4	0	1	0	BRipken 2b	3	0	0	0
Gruber 3b	4	0	0	0	Devereax cf	4	0	0	0
McGriff 1b	4	1	1	1	CRipken ss	4	0	0	0
GBell lf	4	1	1	0	Milligan dh	3	0	0	0
Williams lf	0	0	0	0	Horn ph	1	0	0	0
Olerud dh	3	0	1	0	Melvin c	3	0	0	0
Whiten dh	1	0	0	0	Wrthngtn 3b	3	0	1	0
Borders c	3	0	1	1	Gonzales 3b	0	1	0	0
Sojo 2b	3	0	1	0	McKnight 1b	2	0	1	0
Felix rf	2	0	0	0	BAnderson lf	1	0	0	1
Totals	32	2	7	2	Totals	28	1	3	1

Toronto	000	010	001- 2
Baltimore	000	000	010- 1

E-Gonzales. DP-Baltimore 2. LOB- Toronto 4, Baltimore 4. 2B-T Fernandez.

HR-McGriff (35). S-B Anderson. SF-B Anderson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Black (W 13-11)	8	3	1	1	2	2
Henke (S 32)	1	0	0	0	0	1
Baltimore						
D Jhnsn (L 13-9)	8 2-3	7	2	2	1	2
Hickey	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Umpires-Home, Reilly; 1b, Garcia; 2b, Hendry; 3b, Palermo.

T-2:22. A-19,789.

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson cf	2	1	0	0	Cole cf	4	2	1	1
McRae cf	2	0	1	0	Browne 2b	1	2	1	2
Seitzer 2b	3	0	0	0	McLemor 2b	1	0	0	0
Pecota 2b	1	0	0	0	CJames dh	5	1	2	3
Perry dh	4	0	2	1	Maldonad rf	4	0	1	1
Jackson lf	3	0	1	1	Ward rf	1	1	1	0
Schulz rf	1	0	0	0	Alomar c	5	1	2	1
Eisenreich lf	4	0	1	0	Baerga ss	4	2	3	1
Thurman lf	0	0	0	0	Jacoby 1b	5	1	1	1
Conine 1b	4	0	1	0	Manto 3b	4	2	1	1
Stillwell ss	3	0	0	0	Jefferson lf	3	1	2	1
Jeltz ss	1	0	0	0					
Berry 3b	3	1	1	0					
Mayne c	3	1	0	0					
Totals	34	3	7	2	Totals	37	13	15	12

Kansas City	001	000	200-	3
Cleveland	910	200	10x-	13

E-Baerga. DP-Cleveland 1. LOB-Kansas City 9, Cleveland 9. 2B-Alomar 2, Baerga, Browne, Manto, Conine, Jefferson. SB-Cole (38), Wilson (24). SF-Browne, Baerga.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Wagner (L 0-2)	2-3	3	6	6	3	0
Codiroli	0	0	3	3	3	0
Aquino	2 1-3	5	1	1	0	0
Maldonado	3	5	2	2	1	3
Sanchez	2	2	1	1	0	1

Cleveland

Candiott (W 15-11)	6	3	1	1	2	4
Shaw	2	4	2	2	2	2
E Valdez	1	0	0	0	0	2

WP-Wagner 2, Codiroli, Car Maldonado. HBP-Perry By

Candiotti.

Umpires-Home, Welke; 1b, Tschida; 2b, Young; 3b, Coble.

T-2:52. A-4,709.

-30- 9660

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(OCT. 3) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

NEW YORK

	ab	r	h	bi
DReed cf	5	1	1	0
Magadan 1b	5	0	1	1
Tabler rf	5	1	1	0
Teufel 2b	4	2	3	1
Omalley 3b	2	0	0	0
Jelic lf	2	0	0	0
Hughes lf	2	0	0	0
Obrien c	3	0	0	0
Hundley c	1	0	1	0
Baez ss	4	0	2	0
Gooden p	2	0	0	0
Innis p	0	0	0	0
Torve ph	1	0	0	0
Schatzeder p	0	0	0	0
Totals	36	4	9	2

PITTSBURGH

	ab	r	h	bi
Backman 3b	3	0	1	0
Belliard 2b	2	0	0	0
JBell ss	3	1	2	1
Garcia ss	1	1	1	0
VanSlyke cf	4	1	1	0
Bonilla rf	5	1	2	2
Reynolds lf	2	2	1	0
SCarter lf	0	0	0	0
Bream 1b	3	1	2	2
CMartinz 1b	1	0	0	0
Lavalliere c	3	0	1	1
Slaught c	1	0	0	0
Lind 2b	2	1	1	1
King 3b	2	0	0	0
Tomlin p	0	0	0	0
Merced ph	1	0	0	0
Smiley p	0	0	0	0
Landrum p	1	1	0	0
Patterson p	1	0	0	0
Belinda p	0	0	0	0
Ryal ph	1	0	0	0
Palacios p	0	0	0	0
Totals	36	9	12	7

Reynolds reached first via catchers interference.

New York	202	000	000-	4
Pittsburgh	022	221	00X-	9

E-Obrien, Gooden, J Bell. LOB-New York 8, Pittsburgh 7. 2B-D Reed, Baez, J Bell, Teufel. HR-Teufel (9), Bream (15). SB- Reynolds (12). S-Innis.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Goodn (L 19-7)	4 1-3	9	8	6	2	5
Innis	2 2-3	2	1	1	1	1
Schatzeder	1	1	0	0	0	1
Pittsburgh						
Tomlin	2	3	2	2	0	2
Smiley	1	2	2	0	1	0
Lndrm (W 7-3)	1 2-3	1	0	0	1	2
Patterson	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Belinda	1	1	0	0	0	0
Palacios	2	1	0	0	0	1

WP-Gooden.

Umpires-Home, Pulli; 1b, Rippley; 2b, Tata; 3b, Froemming.

T-2:58. A-50,028.

ST LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Gilkey lf	3	0	2	0	Nixon lf	4	1	2	0
GPena 2b	4	0	0	0	DaMartnz cf	4	0	1	0
Oquendo 2b	0	0	0	0	Deshields 2b	4	0	0	0
MThmpsn cf	4	0	2	1	TWallach 3b	3	0	0	0
Zeile 3b	2	0	0	0	LWalker rf	2	1	1	0
Collins pr	0	0	0	0	Galarrag 1b	3	0	1	1
Brewer 1b	4	0	0	0	Santovenia c	3	0	0	0
CWilson rf	4	0	1	0	Foley ss	3	0	0	0
Jones ss	3	0	1	0	KeGross p	2	0	1	0
Stephens c	3	0	0	0	Ruskin p	0	0	0	0
Olivares p	2	1	1	0	Aldrete ph	1	0	0	0
Jose ph	1	0	0	0	Frey p	0	0	0	0
Perez p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	30	1	7	1	Totals	29	2	6	1

St Louis	000	001	000-	1
Montreal	110	000	00x-	2

E-Santovenia. DP-St Louis 1, Montreal 2. LOB-St Louis 5, Montreal 4. 2B-Galarraga. SB-Gilkey 2 (6), Nixon (50), M Thompson (24), Collins (7).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St Louis						
Olivars (L 1-1)	7	6	2	2	0	6
Perez	1	0	0	0	0	0
Montreal						
Gross (W 9-12)	5	5	1	1	0	4
Ruskin	2	2	0	0	1	1
Frey (S 9)	2	0	0	0	2	1

Gross pitched to two batters in the 6th.

HBP-L Walker by Olivares.

Umpires-Home, C Williams; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, McSherry; 3b, Davidson.

T-2:18. A-4,636.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Cora 2b	6	0	2	0	Javier cf	5	1	1	1
Stephensn 1b	5	0	1	0	Gonzalez lf	4	1	1	0
Templetn ph	1	0	0	0	Sharpersn 3b	5	2	2	1
Lynn rf	0	0	0	0	Murray 1b	5	1	3	0
DarJcksn cf	4	1	2	1	Brooks rf	4	2	2	1
JaClark ph	1	0	1	0	Samuel 2b	5	1	2	2
Alomar pr	0	1	0	0	CHernandz c	3	0	1	0
Roberts lf	0	0	0	0	Gott p	0	0	0	0
JCarter lf	5	1	3	0	MHatcher ph	1	0	1	2
Pagliarul 3b	5	2	3	2	JHowell p	0	0	0	0
JeClark rf	4	2	3	4	Walsh p	0	0	0	0
Lampkin c	3	0	0	0	Offerman ss	4	0	0	0
Faries ss	4	0	0	0	Morgan p	1	0	1	0
Rasmussn p	4	0	0	0	Lopez ph	1	0	0	0
Lefferts p	0	0	0	0	Crews p	0	0	0	0
					Lyons c	2	0	0	0
Totals	42	7	15	7	Totals	40	8	14	7

None out when winning run scored.

San Diego	000	312	001	0-	7
Los Angeles	000	101	050	1-	8

E-Cora. DP-San Diego 1, Los Angeles 1. LOB-San Diego 10, Los Angeles 7.
2B-Brooks. HR-Je Clark 2 (4), Dar Jackson (2), Javier (3). SB-Gonzalez (3), Murray (8). S-Lefferts.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

San Diego							
Rasmussen	7	2-3	9	5	4	1	4
Leffrts (L 7-5)	1	1-3	5	3	1	1	2

Los Angeles						
Morgan	5	8	4	4	0	1
Crews	2	4	2	2	0	2
Gott	1	0	0	0	2	0
J Howell	1	3	1	1	2	1
Walsh (W 1-0)	1	0	0	0	0	1

Howell pitched to two batters in the 10th. Lefferts pitched to four batters in the 10th.

WP-Rasmussen, Morgan.

Umpires-Home, Bonin; 1b, Demuth; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Darling.

T-3:10. A-22,883.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
LoSmith lf	3	2	2	0	Butler cf	4	2	2	0
Berroa lf	0	0	0	0	Kingery lf	3	1	0	0
MBell 1b	6	2	2	4	Leonard lf	1	1	1	0
Gant cf	4	2	3	2	WClark 1b	5	1	2	3
Justice rf	4	0	1	0	MaWillms 3b	3	0	1	1
Vatcher rf	1	0	0	0	Bass rf	4	0	1	1
Treadway 2b	4	2	1	2	Laga ph	1	0	0	0
VRosario 2b	1	0	0	0	Riles ss	0	0	0	0
Blauser ss	5	2	3	1	Benjamin ss	3	0	1	0
Lemke 3b	6	2	2	1	PMcClelln p	0	0	0	0
Kremers c	2	0	0	0	Novoa p	0	0	0	0
Freeman p	0	0	0	0	Decker c	4	1	2	0
Gregg ph	1	1	1	3	RThmpsn 2b	3	1	1	0
Grant p	1	1	1	1	Parker 2b	1	0	0	0
Marak p	0	0	0	0	Burkett p	2	0	0	1
OMcDwll ph	0	1	0	0	Dewey p	0	0	0	0
Castillo p	0	0	0	0	DRobinson p	0	0	0	0
Mann c	4	1	2	1	Oneal p	0	0	0	0
					Litton ss	1	0	0	0
Totals	42	16	18	15	Totals	35	7	11	6

Atlanta	003	017	140-16
San Francisco	222	000	001- 7

DP-Atlanta 1, San Francisco 2. LOB-Atlanta 9, San Francisco 7. 2B-W Clark, Lo

Smith, Ro Thompson, M Bell, Blauser, Lemke, Mann, Leonard. 3B-Lo Smith. HR-M Bell (1), Gregg (5), Gant (32). SB-Butler 2 (51), Gant (33). S-Burkett. SF-Ma Williams.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Marak	2	6	4	4	2	2
Castillo	1	2	2	1	1	2
Freeman (W 1-0)	2	1	0	0	0	3
Grant (S 3)	4	2	1	1	0	1
San Francisco						
Burkett	5	8	6	6	3	6
Dewey (L 1-1)	0	2	2	2	0	0
D Robinson	1	3	3	3	1	0
Oneal	1	0	1	1	2	1
McClellan	1-3	5	4	4	2	0
Novoa	1 2-3	0	0	0	2	1

Burkett pitched to two batters in the sixth inning. Dewey pitched to two batters in the sixth inning.

WP-Marak, Oneal 2. PB-Kremers. HBP- Ma Williams by Marak.

Umpires-Home, West; 1b, Montague; 2b, Hallion; 3b, Quick.

T-3:18. A-7,755.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Dascenzo cf	3	2	1	0	Dykstra cf	4	0	1	0
GSmith 2b	4	0	1	0	Booker ss	4	0	0	0
Grace 1b	4	0	1	0	Chamberln lf	4	0	1	0
Dawson rf	1	1	1	1	Murphy rf	3	0	0	0
DwSmith rf	3	0	1	1	Jordan 1b	4	0	1	0
May lf	4	0	1	1	CHayes 3b	2	1	1	0
Salazar 3b	4	0	0	0	Hollins 3b	2	0	0	0
Dunston ss	4	0	0	0	Fletcher c	3	0	0	0
Girardi c	3	0	0	0	Morandini 2b	4	0	4	1
Bielecki p	2	0	0	0	Greene p	1	0	0	0
Varsho ph	1	0	0	0	Kruk ph	1	0	0	0
Pavlas p	0	0	0	0	Ontiveros p	0	0	0	0
MiWillims p	0	0	0	0	Daulton ph	0	0	0	0
					Ready ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	33	3	6	3	Totals	33	1	8	1

Chicago	201	000	000-	3

Philadelphia 000 010 000- 1

E-May, Hollins. DP-Chicago 1. LOB- Chicago 4, Philadelphia 8. 2B-May, Chamberlain, Dw Smith, C Hayes, Morandini. S-Greene.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Bielecki (W 8-11)	6	6	1	1	1	4
Pavlas	2 2-3	2	0	0	1	3
Mi Wllms (S 16)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Philadelphia						
Greene (L 3-3)	7	5	3	3	1	6
Ontiveros	2	1	0	0	0	0

Umpires-Home, Davis; 1b, Rapuano; 2b, Runge; 3b, Hohn.

T-2:22. A-9,940.

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Yelding ss	4	0	0	0	BHatcher cf	4	2	2	0
Young cf	3	1	0	0	Larkin ss	2	0	1	0
Biggio c	4	1	1	0	HMorris 1b	3	0	1	1
GDavis 1b	3	0	1	2	Oneill rf	3	0	1	2
Stubbs lf	4	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	3	0	0	0
Anthony rf	3	0	1	0	Mahler p	0	0	0	0
Candaele 2b	3	0	0	0	Dibble p	0	0	0	0
LGonzalz 3b	3	0	1	0	Bates ph	1	0	0	0
XHernandz p	1	0	0	0	Myers p	0	0	0	0
Rhodes ph	0	0	0	0	Benzinger lf	4	0	1	0
Clancy p	0	0	0	0	JReed c	3	0	0	0
Caminiti ph	1	0	0	0	Oester 2b	1	0	0	0
Meyer p	0	0	0	0	Armstrong p	0	0	0	0
					Scudder p	0	1	0	0
					Wnnnghm ph	1	0	0	0
					Charlton p	0	0	0	0
					Quinones 3b	1	0	0	0
Totals	29	2	4	2	Totals	26	3	6	3

Houston 000 000 200- 2
Cincinnati 102 000 00x- 3

DP-Houston 2, Cincinnati 1. LOB-Houston 3, Cincinnati 7. 2B-B Hatcher, L Gonzalez, Biggio. SB-Larkin (30). S-Larkin 2.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Houston						
X Hrnndz (L 2-1)	5	5	3	3	5	0
Clancy	2	1	0	0	1	1
Meyer	1	0	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati						
Armstrong	2	0	0	0	0	2
Scuddr (W 5-5)	2	0	0	0	0	2
Charlton	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mahler	2	4	2	2	2	1
Dibble	1	0	0	0	0	2
Myers (S 31)	1	0	0	0	1	1

Umpires-Home, Rennert; 1b, Harvey; 2b, Gregg; 3b, Crawford.

T-2:16. A-11,202.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
x-Pittsburgh	95	66	.590	-	50-31	45-35	8-2	W-1
New York	90	71	.559	5	52-29	38-42	6-4	L-1
Montreal	84	77	.522	11	46-34	38-43	3-7	W-2
Philadel.	77	84	.478	18	41-39	36-45	6-4	L-1
Chicago	76	85	.472	19	39-42	37-43	4-6	W-1
St. Louis	70	91	.435	25	34-47	36-44	3-7	L-6
West								
x-Cincinnati	91	70	.565	-	46-34	45-36	6-4	W-2
Los Angeles	86	75	.534	5	47-33	39-42	5-5	W-2
San Fran.	84	77	.522	7	48-31	36-45	7-3	L-2
San Diego	74	87	.460	17	37-44	37-43	3-7	L-2
Houston	74	87	.460	17	49-32	25-55	4-6	L-2
Atlanta	65	96	.404	26	37-43	28-53	5-5	W-2

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BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 3) UPI - The Soviet Union has slashed deliveries of oil products to Vietnam by 70 percent this year, causing sharp price increases despite increased production from Vietnam's own oil fields, official Hanoi radio reported.

''During the past two weeks and more, oil prices ... throughout the country have increased unexpectedly, thus fomenting a competitive temperament among consumers,'' the radio said in broadcast Sunday. A translation of the report was made available Wednesday.

''This was due mainly to a reduction in the quantity of imported oil this year '' the broadcast said.

The radio gave no price figures, but other sources said gasoline prices had doubled to $1.25 per gallon in the past month.

The radio said oil contracts with the Soviet Union faced ''numerous difficulties,'' which it did not explain.

Diplomatic sources, however, have said the Soviet Union, Vietnam's main supplier, has cut back its normal supplies of refined oil products and fertilizer because Vietnam has been unwilling to pay its back debts.

The radio said the Soviet Union has supplied only about 562,000 barrels of oil products so far this year to the Home Ministry Oil Corporation - 70 percent less than the 1.8 million barrels planned. It was not clear whether the supply figure was in error or whether it excluded Soviet supplies to other economic units. Diplomatic sources said the Soviet Union pledged about 18 million barrels for the first nine months of the year.

The radio said Vietnam has been forced to pay hard cash to import oil from other countries, but with world prices higher due to the Middle East crisis, domestic prices were rising fast.

More oil and gas would have to be purchased on the world market by a government already severely short of foreign exchange, it said.

It said the government was trying to distribute oil products equally to all areas of the country.

The broadcast called on state distribution agencies to ensure fuel was sold fairly to consumers and to prevent profiteering by private merchants.

The only bright spot was a new oil field discovered off the southern Vietnamese coast.

The the first commercial well in the field, announced Sept. 16, is now producing 3,370 barrels per day, the Vietnam News Agency said Tuesday.

''Evaluation of the reserve and quality of oil is continuing,'' the agency said. ''It is believed that this is one of the biggest oil deposits on the Vietnamese continental shelf.''

Vietnam expects to produce about 14.6 million barrels of oil this year from another field nearby that has been operated by a joint venture with the Soviet Union. It has also signed oil exploration agreements with nine oil companies from non-socialist countries.

Vietnam, however, has only one small refinery which cannot supply national needs and a large refinery is still in the planning stages.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - TODAY'S PEOPLE:

DUVALIERS TO GET REDIVORCED: The Duvaliers are divorcing again. Deposed Haitian dictator Jean-Claude ''Baby Doc'' Duvalier has filed for divorce from his wife, Michele, in France. They were divorced last November by a court in the Dominican Republic but the judgment was not recognized by the courts in France, where the couple have been living since fleeing Haiti in 1986. Duvalier lives in a sumptuous villa in southern France while his wife, who was given custody of the couple's two children by the Santo Domingo court, moved to Cannes on the Cote d'Azur several months ago.

THOMPSON BLASTS SCUM: Hunter Thompson hasn't gotten over his brush with the law earlier this year. ''Songs of the Doomed,'' a collection of his works that will be published in November by Summit Books, is dedicated to ''all the friends, strangers and even enemies who answered the Great Roll Call when I was seized by rabid scum who tried to put me in prison.'' Thompson had faced drug charges after a wild party at his home outside Aspen, Colo., but the case was dropped because potential witnesses refused to cooperate with prosecutors.

WILLIE AND JOE IN THE DESERT: How would Willie and Joe - the two World War II dogfaces created by cartoonist Bill Mauldin - make out if they were in Saudi Arabia? Quite well, Mauldin says. ''I would imagine they would try to think of ways of having devoted relatives send beer to them - sealed in tin cans, maybe '' Mauldin said in Reno, Nev., where he picked up a distinguished service medal at the National Guard Association's annual convention Tuesday. Nonetheless, Mauldin says today's infantrymen are smarter and better trained than those in Willie and Joe's time.

HACKMAN TO TAKE A PLANE BREAK: Gene Hackman keeps busy. He has a role in ''Post Cards From the Edge,'' stars with Anne Archer in ''Narrow Margin'' and has two more movies, ''Class Action'' with Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio and

''Patriots'' with Mikhail Baryshnikov, in the works. ''I like the challenge,'' Hackman told the Los Angeles Times in a discussion of his work ethic. ''When I'm actually there working, I love the pressure of trying to make a scene work trying to create a character. The rest of it's not a lot of fun, the business aspects of it. And the waiting (on the set) gets to you.'' But Hackman is not planning on making another movie until February or March. In the meantime, he and his son are building an airplane from a kit.

GLIMPSES: Vice President Dan Quayle, Class of '69, goes back to his old school DePauw University in Greencastle, Ind., Oct. 26 to pick up a public service award. Quayle, who also will deliver a convocation address during his appearance, was given an honorary degree by the school in 1982 ... Organizers expect 1 million people to attend the 10- day Rock in Rio II music festival in January. The attractions include George Michael, INXS, Guns n' Roses, Robert Plant, Billy Idol, David Lee Roth, Donna Summer, Lisa Stanfield, Ziggy Marley, Run-DMC, and A-ha. The proceeds from one night of the show will be donated to help Brazil's homeless children.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International: .

Germans laughed and cried as the division between East and West ended at midnight after 45 years. In Berlin, there was a carnival-like atmosphere as Germany was re-united. Hundreds of thousands of people celebrated at the Brandenburg Gate... fireworks lit up the sky... and church bells clanged.

President Bush made an address to the nation last night to urge congressional passage of the 500-BILLION-dollar deficit reduction plan. Bush called the deficit- ''A cancer gnawing away at our nation's health.'' He said if the package is NOT passed, ''markets may tumble and recession will follow.''

Iraq is offering to destroy mass-destruction weapons if other nations in the Mideast, including Israel, destroy theirs. The gesture follows President Bush's U-N speech Monday calling for the destruction of weapons in the Persian Gulf, particularly Iraq's chemical weapons arsenal.

New York Mayor David Dinkins wants to hire eight-thousand more police officers to eliminate street violence which resulted in a record homicide rate this summer. The mayor UNveiled a nearly two-BILLION- dollar plan called ''Safe Streets, Safe City.'' It will double the number of police officers on patrol.

Four people were killed in San Francisco yesterday when a car driven by a 91-year-old man careened down a steep hill. The driver apparently suffered a

heart attack. He was killed along with two children trapped in a car that caught fire and a woman driving another car. Four people were injured.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 3) UPI - Concrete deeds, especially an end to the U.S. economic embargo against Vietnam, must replace words if Vietnam and the United States are to normalize relations, official Hanoi radio said.

The radio said, in a commentary Tuesday night, that the meeting this week between U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach, were ''important for the normalization of relations between Vietnam and the United States.''

''However, we should not have illusion that after several rounds of talks the relations between the two countries can be normalized,'' the radio said.

''To achieve this target there must be concrete deeds and policies in conformity with interests of the two peoples,'' it said.

The radio said Vietnam has been willing to forgive the U.S. intervention in the Vietnam War and has cooperated in solving the problems of the Americans still missing from the war and the half- Vietnamese children of American servicemen.

It said Vietnam has also embarked on a program of transforming its socialist economy to a market-oriented system.

''It is regrettable that the United States still maintains the embargo against Vietnam and prolongs it for another year,'' it said.

The embargo, extended to cover all of Vietnam after the communist victory in 1975, bars all Americans and American companies from commercial dealings with Vietnam. U.S. businessmen have complained that the embargo has left them at a disadvantage in competing with businessmen from other nations rushing into the newly opening 65-million person market.

The embargo has hurt Vietnam by cutting off multilateral aid from international sources such as the World Bank as well as sharply limiting foreign investment in Vietnam.

The United States has insisted that Vietnam help work out a satisfactory political settlement in Cambodia before relations can be resumed. Vietnam has supported a U.N. peace plan for Cambodia, but the Vietnamese-installed Cambodian government has been unable to agree with the U.S.-backed resistance on implementation of the plan.

''The evolution of normalization of relations between the two countries is still facing difficulties,'' it said. ''It is like a ship which is launched but cannot operate without fuel.''

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(OCT. 3) UPI - Divers in the Pacific Ocean have brought up both halves of a cargo door that ripped off a United Airlines Boeing 747 last year. Nine people died in the accident. The sections, both in good condition, will be turned over to federal investigators. The 14-thousand-foot dive was the second-deepest manned recovery ever attempted.

The Senate yesterday confirmed David Souter's Supreme Court nomination by a 90-9 vote. Souter will be sworn in next Tuesday to replace Justice William Brennan, the court's leading liberal who retired after 34 years. The court now has a 4-4 division between liberals and conservatives.

Teachers at Temple University in Philadelphia return to the classrooms today after a 29-day strike, although their contract dispute has NOT been settled. They voted 200-199 to obey a judge's back to work order. The basic issue is pay. On Sunday, the professors rejected an offer of a five percent pay increase in each of the next four years.

Three trustees of the University of District Columbia resigned yesterday in an attempt to appease student protesters. In addition, an artist who donated an artwork the students object to withdrew her offer. Classes were held yesterday for the first time since demonstations began last week.

The Los Angeles City Council has adopted an ordinance making ritualistic slaughter of animals a crime. The crime is punishable by six months in jail and a one-thousand-dollar fine. In the past year up to 300 animal sacrifices have occurred in Los Angeles, some linked to satanic cults or voodoo.

Environmentalists yesterday erected barricades of rocks and logs that delayed crews starting to build a huge telescope project atop Mount Graham in Arizona. It took construction workers two extra hours to get to the site. Seven protesters were arrested. Protesters say the project will threaten the endangered red squirrel.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - Sid Bream cracked a two-run home run Tuesday night to lead the Pittsburgh Pirates to a 9-4 triumph over the New York Mets and deny Dwight Gooden his second 20th victory season.

''A lot of guys came here wanting to play tonight,'' said Pirates Manager Jim

Leyland. ''They were zeroed in pretty good.''

Bill Landrum, the third of six pitchers used by the National League East champions, threw 1 2-3 innings of scoreless, one-hit relief to improve to 7-3.

Gooden finished the season 19-7, allowing eight runs and nine hits over 4 1-3 innings. In the fourth, he allowed two runs to score on a wild pitch and a bases-loaded walk, and his throwing error scored another run in the third.

''My location started off good,'' said Gooden, ''but a couple mistakes here and there turned into big innings.''

The Mets took a 2-0 lead in the first off Randy Tomlin on Dave Magadan's RBI groundout and Tim Teufel's ninth home run of the season. Pittsburgh tied the score in the second on Mike LaValliere's RBI single and Jose Lind's RBI groundout.

New York scored two unearned runs off John Smiley in the third for a 4-2 lead when Chris Jelic's ball hit off shortstop Jay Bell for an error.

The Pirates tied the score again in the bottom of the inning on Gooden's error and Bobby Bonilla's RBI groundout.

It was not vintage Gooden, who had considered bagging his final start.

''The reason why I pitched after I said I probably wasn't going to was I thought to myself that I might think during the winter or two or three years down the road, maybe I should have pitched,'' said Gooden on going for win No. 20. ''I figured even if I didn't get the win or pitch good, at least I could say I took the ball and went to the mound and have a clear head.''

The Pirates scored twice in the fourth on Gooden's bases-loaded walk to Bell and the wild pitch. Bream's two-run homer in the fifth made it 8-4 and Bonilla's RBI single in the sixth off Jeff Innis accounted for the final run.

''Yesterday was sort of a celebration for us and the fans,'' said R.J. Reynolds. ''We had fun Sunday night. But tonight it was back to work. We're just trying to stay sharp, more or less polish things.''

Pirates players came out of the dugout before batting in the bottom of the eighth to tip their caps to the fans when it was announced that the crowd of 50,028 had put the attendance over the 2 million mark - 2, 022,267 - for the first time in the club's 104-year history.

''It was beautiful thing,'' said Reynolds who played in front of 1, 500 on rainy September nights in 1985. ''You have to understand for a long time this has been Steeler Country. But I think we've finally won our fans over. This is the first time we really fell we are appreciated.''

In other National League action, Montreal edged St. Louis 2-1, Chicago downed Philadelphia 3-1, Cincinnati shaded Houston 3-2, Atlanta pummeled San Francisco 16-7, and Los Angeles clipped San Diego 8-7 in 10 innings.

In the American League it was: New York 4, Detroit 1; Chicago 3, Boston 2 in 11 innings; Toronto 2, Baltimore 1; Cleveland 13, Kansas City 3; Seattle 3, Minnesota 0; Milwaukee 1, Texas 0; and Oakland 6, California 4.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Expos 2, Cardinals 1

At Montreal, Kevin Gross snapped a personal eight-game losing streak with Andres Galarraga collecting an RBI double to hand the Cardinals their sixth straight loss. Gross won for the first time since June 11 and improved to 9-12. Steve Frey registered his ninth save. Omar Olivares, 1-1, was the loser.

Cubs 3, Phillies 1

At Philadelphia, Andre Dawson got his 100th RBI to lead the Cubs. Dawson is tied with Ryne Sandberg for the team RBI lead. The Phillies managed their only run off Mike Bielecki, 8-11, in the fifth. Mitch Williams got the last out for his 16th save.

Reds 3, Astros 2

At Cincinnati, six Reds pitchers combined on a four-hitter to stifle the Astros. Jack Armstrong, Scott Scudder and Norm Charlton retired the first 15 Houston batters. Randy Myers pitched the ninth for his 31st save. Scudder, 5-5 got the win, while Xavier Hernandez, 2-1, suffered the loss.

Braves 16, Giants 7

At San Francisco, Tommy Gregg highlighted a seven-run sixth inning with a three-run homer and Mike Bell drove in four runs to pace Atlanta's 18-hit attack. Marvin Freeman, 1-2, pitched two innings for the victory and Mark Grant worked the final four innings for his third save. Mark Dewey, 1-1, took the loss.

Dodgers 8, Padres 7, 10 innings

At Los Angeles, Juan Samuel delivered a bases-loaded single with none out in the 10th inning to carry Los Angeles. Rookie Dave Walsh, 1-0, earned his first major league win by pitching the Dodgers out of a jam in the 10th. Jerald Clark hit a pair of two-run homers for the Padres.

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(OCT. 3) The remnants of tropical storm Rachel soaked the Southwest, closing roads and sending streams over their banks Wednesday while another front that moved in from the Northwest left a dusting of snow on the Rockies.

The eastern half of the nation was mostly clear Wednesday with fog and isolated storms in the Middle Atlantic states.

Southwest Texas, which has been regularly drenched by storms in the last several weeks, saw no relief as moisture from the dying storm prompted flood watches throughout the region.

The flash flood watch remained in effect for most of the Concho Valley, the hill country and adjacent areas of the Edwards Plateau as more than half an inch of rain fell in two hours in San Angelo and Sonora.

Creeks were at or over their banks in Big Bend National Park along the Texas-Mexico border and some roads were impassable because of the high water.

To the north, a strong cold front moved through Colorado, dropping the snow level in the mountains to 8,000 feet and leaving snow accumulations of up to 3 inches in passes above 10,000 feet.

The front moved through Denver during the night with rain and winds gusting to 30 mph as temperatures dropped to near 40 degrees.

A band of showers stretched across the nation's midsection from Minnesota to Kansas, carrying southerly winds and scattered thunderstorms. Some of the heaviest storms occurred east of Wichita, Kan.

High pressure covered the South pushing temperatures into the 90s in some areas and keeping skies clear.

The Northeast also enjoyed mostly clear skies with lows in the 40s and 50s while Bradford, in northwestern Pennsylvania, dipped down to 34 degrees.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait:

PARIS - President Francois Mitterrand was expected to make a surprise visit to the Gulf Wednesday to review French troops in Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, official sources said. The Socialist leader is expected to visit Jeddah in Saudi Arabia and make a brief stop at the Saudi port of Yanbu in the

Red Sea, said the sources.

MOSCOW - A senior aide to President Mikhail Gorbachev flew to Baghdad on Wednesday at the Soviet president's request on a ''special mission'' that was also to take him to Jordan. The official Tass news agency did not provide any details of the surprise journey by Yevgeny Primakov, a member of Gorbachev's Presidential Council.

CAIRO, Egypt - Iraq offered to liquidate its mass-destruction weapons if Israel and other countries do the same. ''Iraq is ready to destroy weapons of mass destruction provided this measure included all the states of the region, including Israel,'' an Iraqi Foreign Ministry spokesman was quoted Tuesday by the official Iraqi news agency. The gesture came a day after Iraq released nine French hostages who had been held along with other Westerners at key sites as a human shield against possible attack by the U.S.-led multinational force in the gulf region.

LONDON - Amnesty International, in a report released Wednesday, condemned Iraq for executing and torturing civilians opposed to its invasion of Kuwait and for human-rights abuses against Western detainees. The human-rights watchdog organization said Iraqi troops were ''summarily executing'' Kuwaitis for possession of the Kuwaiti flag or pictures of the deposed emir of Kuwait, or even for failing to follow orders to post photographs of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

BANGKOK, Thailand - Vietnam was awaiting United Nations approval to send ships carrying rice to some 17,000 of its workers still in Iraq, official Hanoi radio said. ''Our government has prepared ships to transport rice to our workers in Iraq, repatriate them home, and attend to solving their problems related to pensions and employment,'' the radio said in a broadcast late Tuesday. The radio said the Vietnamese ships would not set sail until the embargo committee of the U.N. Security Council gave its permission.

WASHINGTON - A U.S. aircraft carrier steamed into the dangerous waters of the Persian Gulf for the first time in 16 years and 15,000 Marines staged a mock amphibious assault in a show of military muscle. The Pentagon said the USS Independence aircraft carrier battle group moved from the Gulf of Oman, through the Strait of Hormuz and into the Persian Gulf Monday night, making it the first carrier to enter the gulf since 1974.

WASHINGTON - The Senate adopted a resolution supporting President Bush's handling of the Persian Gulf crisis amid assurances from Democratic leaders that the measure would not hand the president a ''blank check'' for future military action. The resolution approved 96-3 Tuesday says Congress ''strongly approves the leadership of the president'' and supports ''continued action'' by Bush in accordance with U.N. Security Council decisions and U.S. constitutional and legal processes.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - Stock prices closed mixed Wednesday in moderate trading on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, a day after the Nikkei Average posted its largest one-day advance in history.

The Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues slipped 49.02 points to 22, 849.39 following an record 2,676.55-point jump Tuesday.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, which soared 145.40 points Tuesday, squeezed out a 1.22-point gain, closing at 1, 607.05.

Volume edged up to an estimated 600 million shares from 550 million shares traded Tuesday.

Advances outpaced declines 629 to 292, while 100 issues remained unchanged.

Analysts said the day started on a sour note when the exchange's automated trading computer system shut down for 45 minutes.

During that time, trading largely came to a halt. When it resumed, the Nikkei promptly fell 78 points.

However, prices turned higher as investors continued to hunt bargain- priced stocks.

In the afternoon, some profit taking set in and the market turned mixed.

''Buying interest continued to be strong in international blue chips, '' said broker Katsu Takeuchi of Kokusai Securities Co.

''But interest-rate sensitive large-capital issues such as steels and real estates were shelled.''

A slight rise in Japanese short-term interest rates Wednesday made prospects for the market shaky, analysts noted.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices fell in moderate trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as the market experienced a striking contrast to Tuesday's sharp gains.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which surged 114.22 points Tuesday, fell 42.93 points to 2,862.55.

Among the narrower indexes, financials lost 13.92 points, industrials fell 21.15, properties shed 88.50 and utilities dropped 90.56 points.

Volume was moderate as an estimated 864 million shares changed hands, compared with 1.1 billion shares Tuesday.

''Most people were expecting a technical rebound,'' said David Harman of Morgan Grenfell.

''Buyers are still cautious. They are unconvinced there has been a turnaround. We also have a holiday Thursday, so people are reluctant to invest - not knowing when the next piece of bad news is going to come. Investors are cashing in their profits while they've got them.''

The Hong Kong Stock Exchange will be closed Thursday for the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival holiday. Trading will resume Friday.

In Singapore, a mild round of profit taking sent stocks lower in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which climbed 33.77 points Tuesday, fell 17.94 points to 1,119.27. The broader-based All Singapore Index, which gained 10.64 points Tuesday, slipped 5.21 points to 313.83.

Turnover amounted to an estimated 32.5 million shares, well below the 77.3 million shares traded Tuesday.

Analysts said stocks eased on local profit-taking by following Tuesday's strong performance.

''Investors were not taking any chances,'' on local market watcher said.

On the trading floor, C.I. Holdings led the declining issues followed by Development Bank of Singapore foreign shares and Keppel Corp.

Rashid Hussain led the advancing issues followed by Singapore Land warrants and Great Eastern Life.

In Bangkok, stocks closed slightly higher on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index, which jumped 50.12 points Tuesday, added 9.34 points to 713.85.

Volume was a high 3.2 billion shares, compared with 1.2 billion shares on Tuesday.

The market was vigorous with many sellers when the session opened, causing prices to ease but recovered steadily.

''The market was in danger of falling because of the high closing price on

Tuesday, causing many speculators to sell shares,'' said Pitsanu Wichitchonlachai, a broker from Phatra Thanakit Co.

But, analysts noted that some late bargin hunting boosted stocks.

In Australia, stocks closed sharply lower on the Sydney Sharemarket, erasing Tuesday's gains.

The All Ordinaries Index, which gained 20.4 points Tuesday, fell 20.7 points to 1,385.4. The All Industrial Index fell 29.7 points to 2,056.4 and the All Resources index lost 11.6 points to 863.6.

Turnover amounted to an estimated 61.7 million shares, compared with 81.9 million shares Tuesday.

Analysts said prices eased amid some profit taking following Tuesday's gains.

On the trading floor, blue-chips led the decline.

Adsteam lost 11 cents to $2.46, Coles Myer fell 16 cents to $7.64, Elders IXL lost 10 cents to $1.28 and News Corp. lost 18 cents to $6.92.

Banks also came under pressure ahead of end-of-year results. NAB Bank fell 4 cents to $5.96, Westpac Bank lost 11 cents to $4.07 and ANZ Bank lost 13 cents to $4.03.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - President Bush made a broadcast address last night to try to get members of Congress, especially from his own party, to back the deficit reduction plan. Bush warned that economic hardship, even recession, may follow if the plan is NOT enacted. Five Republicans, led by Georgia Representative Newt Gingrich, a conservative leader, announced yesterday they oppose the budget plan.

NASA began the countdown for the shuttle Discovery's next flight this morning. Discovery is to be launched Saturday to put the European Ulysses spaceprobe into a track around the poles of the sun. If all goes well, it will be the first shuttle launch in five months. An 80 percent chance of good weather is forecast for launch time. The shuttle will have a five-person crew and spend four days in space.

Germans cheered in a new unified nation today as the two Germanys divided since World War Two began life as one. East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere, who lost his job in the merger, had NO regrets. He said- ''We are leaving behind a state which called itself democratic without being democratic.'' Helmut Kohl, chancellor of the old West and new combined Germany

called it a ''day of joy, gratitude and hope.''

Energy experts say Americans should find adequate supplies of most fuels this winter- but at higher prices. The government's Energy Information Administration says NO shortages of gasoline, jet fuel and heating oil are expected. However, one expert said if the winter is colder than average, there may be a propane shortage. Propane is used by farmers to dry crops.

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#90276u0562 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

HANOVER, NH (OCT. 3) UPI - Dartmouth College officials Tuesday rejected a public apology by editors of the Dartmouth Review after the controversial off-campus weekly published during the Jewish holidays an anti-semitic quote from Adolf Hitler.

The incident prompted the paper's president and two other staffers to resign.

The quote, from Hitler's political autobiography ''Mein Kampf,'' was printed in the current issue of the Dartmouth Review in the middle of a quote from Theodore Roosevelt on the paper's masthead.

In a written statement, Dartmouth Review Editor in Chief Kevin Pritchett apologized for printing the quote. But he denied responsibility for it, saying it was ''slipped in'' by a ''cancer in our ranks.''

Pritchett also vowed to find out which staffer was responsible for the incident and to fire him.

But college officials were not impressed by the apology, which was contained in an open letter to the Dartmouth community.

Alex Huppe, director of the Dartmouth College News Service, called the statement ''hollow'' and ''non-responsive.''

Dean of the College Edward Shanahan, a frequent critic and target of the paper called publication of the Hitler quote ''an assault to the entire community.'' He said the college community remained in a state of shock.

C. Tyler White, president of the Dartmouth Review, submitted his resignation Tuesday, saying he ''could not be a part'' of the paper anymore.

''The editor in chief has failed in his job and now must wear the albatross of anti-Semitism because he won't take responsibility for the issue's contents,'' White said in a statement.

Two other staff members of the paper also resigned.

Pritchett, on the advice of legal counsel, declined to comment beyond the written apology.

The quote, ''Therefore, I believe today that I am acting in the sense of the Almighty Creator: By warding off the Jews, I am fighting for the Lord's work '' was published in the Oct. 3 edition of the Dartmouth Review, which was distributed on Yom Kippur, the most solemn day of the Jewish calendar.

Up to 3,000 copies of the paper were delivered Friday before the quote was discovered. The remaining 10,000 copies were destroyed.

The incident is the latest in the stormy 10-year history of the Dartmouth Review, which is backed by William F. Buckley and other well- known conservatives.

The paper waged a campaign against a black music professor, William Cole, whom it accused of incompetence. Cole resigned during the summer, citing harassment by the Dartmouth Review as one of his reasons for leaving. Review staffers also carried out a sledge hammer raid in 1986 on a symbolic shantytown, built on the college green to protest apartheid in South Africa.

So far, about half of Dartmouth's 4,000 students have signed a petition protesting the Hitler quote and calling on everyone at the college to cut all ties with the Review. A rally to protest the incident has been scheduled for noon on Thursday.

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#90276u0569 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 3) UPI - David Souter is to be sworn in next Tuesday as the 105th member of the U-S Supreme Court. The Senate confirmed him on a 90-9 vote yesterday. The court presently is split with four liberals and four conservatives on social issues. Souter could turn the court one way or the other. During his confirmation hearing, he refused to give his views on abortion.

Eight people were killed yesterday when a laboratory that manufactured cocaine exploded in Medellin, Colombia. Officials say five victims were children, aged four and five. The blast destroyed six houses and seriously damaged five others. A Medellin official says dynamite stored under a floor in the drug lab apparently exploded by accident.

Members of the Palestine Liberation Organization guerrilla group Fatah discovered a booby-trapped car yesterday in a crowded market in Sidon, Lebanon. Security sources say the occupants of the car belonged to a renegade Palestinian faction. The Fatah members questioned them and one person pulled a gun. Fatah members fired back and killed him. They then drove the car and the body to an open area and blew them up.

The Russian Orthodox Church will make a memorial shrine out of the site where Russia's last czar and his family were executed. The site of the house that Nicholas the Second died in has been given to the church by the city council of Sverdlovsk. Nicholas and his family were killed by the Bolsheviks in July 1918. Opponents of Communism say the killing was the first major Bolshevik crime.

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#90276u0627 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

JACKSON, MS (OCT. 3) UPI - Impeached federal Judge Walter L. Nixon Jr., who served almost two years in prison for perjury, has been ordered back behind bars for violating conditions of his parole.

The U.S. Parole Commission Tuesday revoked Nixon's parole and ordered him to serve four months for carrying two guns on a wild turkey hunt in rural Jackson County Apr. 25. When the incident occurred, Nixon was on parole for a 1986 conviction on two felony charges of lying to a federal grand jury.

''He violated the conditions of his parole by posssessing multiple firearms and conspiracy to hunt wild birds with the aid of bait,'' said Frank Kelly, a Justice Department spokesman.

Felons are not permitted to carry or own firearms.

Nixon, 61, of Ocean Springs, had been released from a New Orleans halfway house in November 1989. He was subsequently stripped of his $89, 500-a-year judgeship by the Senate.

The Mississippi State Supreme Court disbarred Nixon, but he can reapply for his law license after 1992.

Nixon and a former state game warden, Austin Shattles, were convicted by a Jackson County Justice Court jury in July of conspiring to hunt over a field purposely baited to attract turkey. Both have appealed their $100 fines.

During a hearing before a parole commissioner in September, Nixon admitted he was in possession of the guns when he was arrested. But he said he changed his mind and left the guns in their zippered cases.

The commissioner subsequently recommended Nixon be returned to prison for 10 months.

''The decision was renedered after consideration of the facts that the offense was not as serious as normally rated in that the weapons were never removed from their case,'' Kelly said.

Defense attorney Alvin Binder of Jackson said he was ''very grateful and pleased'' that the commission tempered the 10-month recommendation. ''Judge Nixon is likewise pleased,'' he said.

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#90276u0635 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 3) UPI - Tass says Soviet President Gorbachev today sent an aide on a special mission to Baghdad, Iraq. The Soviet news agency says the aide will travel on to Amman, Jordan, to meet King Hussein and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

President Bush says the new budget proposal is the ''best agreement that can be legislated now.'' In a nationally broadcast speech last night... the president said the plan means everyone will bear a small burden... but have a large burden of economic danger lifted. .

Sources say White House workers are angry about opposition to the budget agreement by number two House G-O-P leader Newt Gingrich. Republican leader Robert Michel says the party ''caN'T afford to be fractured.''

East and West German leaders shook hands and embraced in Berlin to mark the unification of Germany. Leading West German author Guenther Grass was one of the few speakers to oppose the unity... saying it will make East Germans ''second-class citizens.''

The Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles charges that more than 200 Western companies... one-third of which were West German... supplied Iraq with components for chemical weapons as late as last year. The center blames the companies for helping to build Iraq into the threat it is today.

Vietnam is awaiting U-N approval to ship rice to some 17-thousand of its workers still in Iraq. Hanoi says its workers are nearing starvation.. but it will wait for U-N approval to get around the embargo against Iraq.

The countdown is on for the shuttle Discovery. The split-second timing procedure kicked in this morning at Cape Canaveral, Florida, for a Saturday lift-off to put the Ulysses probe in orbit around the sun.

Authorities in Canton, China, today raised the count of the dead to 127 from the flaming crash of a hijacked jetliner into two other planes. But Chinese officials refuse to answer questions about yesterday's hijacking.

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#90276u0694 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 3) UPI - A black-consciousness, anti-apartheid movement rejected Wednesday a government invitation to join the negotiations aimed at

ending 42 years of white minority rule.

Gerry Mosala, president of the Azanian People's Organization, told reporters the movement demanded that discussions concentrate on creating a non-racial constitution - implicitly criticizing the African National Congress for acceding to preliminary talks intended only to clear the way for substantive negotiations.

AZAPO claims the allegiance of black intellectuals and a national following of tens of thousands but is regarded as a junior partner to the ANC and other black opposition groups.

''We make a distinction between ... discussions aimed at producing a new constitution for a new society and talks aimed at enlisting the participation of liberation movements in the removal of measures that keep black people in prison and under legal political and socio- economic conditions of suppression and exploitation,'' Mosala said.

He said AZAPO ''remains committed'' to talks on a non-racial constituent assembly and would not be ''coopted in any other talks.''

The other major exclusively black alliance and rival to the ANC, the Pan-Africanist Congress, on Sept. 23 postponed a decision on participating in talks after President Frederik de Klerk urged it and AZAPO to join the process.

The ANC and the government have in two preliminary meetings cleared the way for full-blown power-sharing negotiations on ending white rule. The ANC on Aug. 6, after the second round of talks, abandoned its 29- year-old armed struggle against white rule in exchange for promises of an acceleration in de Klerk's racial reforms launched February.

But black-consciousness groups have criticized the ANC for what they charge are major concessions in response to relatively minor adjustments to apartheid and also the ANC's willingness to have whites as members on every level.

De Klerk legalized the ANC and PAC after 30 years and lifted two years of restrictions on AZAPO at the start of his reforms Feb. 2.

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AUGUSTA, ME (OCT. 3) UPI - ''Sparky the Clown'' said he fooled a national expert into believing his claims of a multiple personality disorder in an unsuccessful bid to beat a child abuse charge.

Richard Sparks called his performance ''the biggest challenge of my acting career.''

The children's entertainer and author made the admission in an interveiw with a state psychiatrist three years after he was convicted of molesting children in Maine and New Hampshire.

In the interview shown Tuesday at a public information forum at the Augusta Mental Health Institute, Sparks said he developed his act by listening to questions from an expert on multiple personality disorders.

The expert, Kentucky psychiatrist Cornelia Wilbur, supported Spark's claims after the interveiws. Wilbur is best known for her treatment of the woman featured in the book and movie ''Sybil.''

Sparks said he had not considered pretending he had multiple personalities until it was suggested by doctors who had observed him in jail. Sparks said he wanted to fool authorities because at the time the trial seemed ''a matter or life and death.''

Sparks was arrested in 1986 after a highway crew found his phone bill in a pile of discarded photographs of children being fondled.

Sparks pleaded guilty to the charges after a judge refused to believe his multiple personality claim. He was sentenced to 10 years in prison and 40 years probation.

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#90276u0718 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 3) UPI - The countdown clock is running at Cape Canaveral for Saturday's launch of the shuttle Discovery. If all goes as planned, the shuttle mission will be the first by the space agency in five months. The countdown began this morning. Five astronauts are to launch a European spacecraft, Ulysses, which will will go into orbit around the sun.

One of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's senior aides flew to Iraq today on what the official Tass news agency calls a ''special mission.'' Yevgeny Primakov, a member of the presidential council, also is to visit Jordan. Tass did NOT give any details of the surprise trip by Primakov.

Oil prices tumbled yesterday on hopes tensions are easing in the Persian Gulf and a peaceful settlement may result. West Texas Intermediate crude oil dropped three dollars a barrel in New York to 33 dollars 95 cents. It has fallen 14 percent this week. Home heating oil fell eight cents a gallon.

Germans partied in the streets and gasthauses last night to celebrate their new nation. East and West Germany are re-united after 45 years. A new holiday, the Day of German Unity, continues through the day on a more solemn note. Church services and concerts are planned.

A Catholic organization says the body of Cardinal Jozsef Mindszenty is to be re-buried next spring in his native Hungary. Mindszenty was buried in Austria where he died in 1975. He took refuge in the U-S Embassy in Budapest for 15 years. He asked that his remains be returned to Hungary after communism fell.

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 3) UPI - Manager Joe Torre of the St. Louis Cardinals has told four of the team's coaches they will not be retained for the 1991 season, club officials said Wednesday.

The four coaches are pitching coach Mike Roarke, hitting coach Steve Braun, first-base coach Jim Riggleman and third-base coach Rich Hacker.

Coach Red Schoendienst and bullpen coach Dave Ricketts will return, the team said. Club officials said Torre told his coaches about the changes Monday night in Montreal.

Roarke had been with the Cardinals for seven seasons, coming to the team in 1984 to replace Hub Kittle. At the time Roarke came to St. Louis, reliever Bruce Sutter was starring for the team. Roarke had been Sutter's pitching coach with the Chicago Cubs from 1978 to 1980 and was credited by the reliever for much of his success.

Several Cardinals pitchers expressed disappointment at the news that Roarke would not be back next season, saying he was the best pitching coach they had worked with.

Hacker, a native of former Manager Whitey Herzog's hometown of New Athens, Ill., had been with the Cardinals for five seasons. Riggleman had been with St. Louis for two years. Braun became the team's batting coach this season when the Cardinals demoted Johnny Lewis after last season.

Torre said he planned to hire only three coaches to replace the four who were let go. He said he would not look for a hitting coach and would perform some of those duties himself.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - Peace-keeping soldiers from other West African nations staged heavy artillery attacks yesterday in Liberia's capital of Monrovia. They said they were trying to push back rebels led by Charles Taylor and keep them away from government troops. The peace-keeping units also have separated a second rebel force.

United Auto Workers President Owen Bieber says the union may reach tentative

agreement with Ford this week. But Ford Vice President Peter Pestillo is NOT so sure. Pestillo says several issues are still outstanding. The U-A-W hopes Ford will accept a contract based on a G-M settlement.

Former Democratic Chairman Lawrence O'Brien was buried yesterday in Springfield, Massachusetts. O'Brien was adviser to Presidents Kennedy and Johnson. He headed the Democratic National Party from 1968 to 1972, during the time of the Watergate break-in. O'Brien died of cancer last week at age 73.

Chinese authorities say one American was among those killed in yesterday's crash of a hijacked plane in Canton. But U-S officials say only that she is listed as missing. Another American who suffered a leg injury is in good condition. The Chinese officials say 127 people were killed.

Henry Hill, the former gangster whose life is portrayed in the hit film ''GoodFellas,'' calls the move ''99 percent accurate.'' In an interview, Hill says it shows how he lived. He says he was ''constantly on a hustle.'' Hill is in hiding after turning state's evidence against the mastermind of a five-Million-dollar robbery.

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#90276u0739 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 2: Purchases of 513, 426 shares and sales of 515,344 shares including 14,034 shares sold short.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	74	44	.01
Anchorage sy	43	25	....
Asheville sy	76	55	....
Atlanta pc	83	66	....
Baltimore sy	76	60	....
Billings w	58	44	....
Birmingham cy	87	68	....
Bismarck w	62	34	....
Boston sy	68	52	....
Brownsville pc	93	74	....
Buffalo sy	74	63	....
Burlington Vt. sy	62	50	.04
Charleston S.C. sy	88	69	....
Charlotte sy	78	62	....

Chicago ts	72	53	....
Cincinnati pc	80	62	....
Cleveland pc	77	61	....
Columbus Ohio pc	80	62	....
Dallas ts	83	61	....
Denver pc	64	36	.19
Des Moines r	68	43	.66
Detroit sh	75	60	....
Duluth sh	63	42	.45
El Paso f	81	52	....
Evansville cy	83	62	....
Fargo w	63	39	....
Hartford sy	70	49	....
Honolulu pc	88	72	....
Houston cy	88	72	....
Indianapolis cy	80	60	....
Jackson Miss. cy	89	70	....
Jacksonville pc	88	73	....
Kansas City ts	73	47	.31
Las Vegas sy	86	58	....
Little Rock ts	82	67	....
Los Angeles pc	78	65	....
Louisville cy	81	63	....
Memphis cy	86	66	....
Miami Beach pc	89	79	.10
Milwaukee sh	72	53	....
Minneapolis sh	68	44	.36
Nashville pc	87	62	....
New Orleans pc	90	72	.10
New York sy	70	59	....
Oklahoma City ts	75	54	.74
Omaha pc	69	39	.90
Orlando pc	91	75	....
Philadelphia sy	74	55	....
Phoenix sy	91	66	....
Pittsburgh sy	77	60	....
Portland Me. sy	63	45	....
Portland Ore. cy	68	53	....
Providence sy	78	52	....
Richmond sy	80	61	....
St. Louis ts	79	58	....
Salt Lake City f	65	42	....
San Antonio ts	86	68	....
San Diego pc	75	67	....
San Francisco sy	86	56	....
San Juan pc	91	76	.82
Seattle r	67	52	.21
Spokane r	63	47	.01

Tampa pc	91	77	....
Washington sy	78	62	....
Wichita sh	76	46	.41

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - Factory orders advanced 1.8 percent in August to $244.6 billion on an increase in petroleum refining costs in the aftermath of Iraq's invasion of Kuwaiti oilfields, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

Excluding petroleum, factory orders were up 0.6 percent in August.

There were also increases - although not as sizeable - in orders for military hardware, from ships and tanks to aircraft and missiles, according to the data compiled by the department's Census Bureau.

Not counting defense items, total orders advanced 1.4 percent. Excluding transportation equipment, orders increased 1.8 percent.

Private analysts, concerned about the latest Middle East crisis, had predicted a decline in August factory orders following a revised 1.5 percent gain in July and a 1.9 percent drop in June.

Factory orders for durable goods - costly products made to last three or more years - dipped 0.9 percent during the month, but August orders for non-durable goods climbed 4.4 percent.

''Most of the (total) increase is attributed to the petroleum refining industry, which had substantial price increases during the month,'' the Commerce Department said. ''Shipments were similarly influenced by the

petroleum refining industry.''

Total shipments of manufactured goods increased 3.4 percent to $245.9 percent. Unfilled orders, which are not affected by the oil industry, declined 0.2 percent to $518.7 billion, the government said.

Inventories, meanwhile, inched up 0.2 percent to $373.9 billion, while the inventory-to-shipments ratio, which tracks product delivery time, dropped to 1.52 percent in August from 1.57 in July.

Excluding petroleum, inventories were unchanged for the month.

In July, total factory shipments slipped 0.7 percent, unfilled orders edged up 0.5 percent and manufacturers' inventories increased 0.7 percent, the Commerce Department reported.

The government data were adjusted for seasonal factors.

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#90276u0773 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (OCT. 3) UPI - Authorities in southern Canton raised the death toll to 127 Wednesday in the fiery crash of a hijacked jetliner at the city airport and reported an American was among those killed. But U.S. officials would not confirm it.

Chinese officials reached by telephone in Canton, also known as Guangzhou, refused to answer inquiries on the casualty figures or the investigation into the hijacking Tuesday, which led to a flaming crash as the plane tried to land.

The accident appeared to be the worst air crash toll reported in more than a decade since China's reopening.

The Chinese Boeing 737 was commandeered on a domestic flight over south China by two hijackers reportedly demanding to fly to Hong Kong. It came down at Canton's Bai Yun airport but slammed into an empty plane and another loaded with passengers in a fireball.

The official Xinhua news agency reported the accident investigation team of Guangdong Province, of which Canton is the capital, released a manifest of the dead raising the toll to 127. Earlier reports said 120 had died.

Among those killed, Xinhua said, were 30 Taiwan citizens, four from Hong Kong, two from Macao and 90 mainland Chinese. It listed only one foreigner killed, saying the casualty was an American.

Two American women were known to be aboard the 737 flight from the east coast city of Xiamen to Canton. One, Erin L. Thomas, a teacher from Oklahoma City,

survived and was reported in good condition in Canton's Nanfang Hospital with a leg injury.

''She's doing well, she's in as good spirits as she can be after going through something like that,'' said a spokesman for the U.S. Consulate in Canton who visited her.

Thomas's mother, Diane Ames of Moore, Okla., reportedly told The Daily Oklahoman that her 30-year-old daughter had just begun a two-year assignment teaching English at Meixian University in China and previously taught two years in Japan.

Ames said U.S. Embassy officials called her early Tuesday and, ''They said she was groggy, but considering what she had been through she was in good spirits. I thought, 'That's my gal. She's a survivor.'

''I have to believe it was more than luck,'' Ames said. ''I have to believe Erin was in China for a purpose and that purpose was not fulfilled. I feel like the luckiest mother in the world.''

Ames said she was told her daughter suffered superficial burns, a broken or dislocated collarbone and swollen toes, as well as a re-injury to a leg broken before she left for China Aug. 18.

''She's really doing well,'' said a nurse at Nanfang Hospital.

But the Consulate spokesman said the second American, identified as Maryanne Gilbert, Thomas's traveling companion, remained officially missing and had not been accounted for.

''As far as the American consulate is concerned, there's one survivor and one missing,'' the spokesman said in a telephone interview.

He said the official manifest was confused, apparently listing Thomas as having been killed and Gilbert as having survived.

Most of the dead had been aboard the hijacked 737, but others were killed and injured on the Boeing 757 waiting on the runway to take off for Shanghai.

Official reports earlier listed 100 survivors, with 53 of them injured, but Canton newspapers reported only 46 injured, suggesting seven of the injured may have died later at hospitals.

A spokesman for the Japanese Embassy in Beijing said only one Japanese national was aboard the 757 and was not seriously hurt.

There was still no confirmation of airport reports the hijackers panicked when they realized they were landing in China and set off an explosion before the

crash, or of a survivor's account that they struggled with the cockpit crew prior to impact.

The death toll was the highest reported publicly in China in an aircraft accident in the past decade. The worst previous crash was when a Chinese state-run airliner slammed into a mountain in southern Guilin in April 1982, killing 112 people.

The last major crash was in January 1988, when another domestic airliner hit a hillside in central Chongqing, killing 108.

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#90276u0774 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 3) UPI - President Bush describes the national deficit as a ''cancer gnawing away at our nation's health.'' Bush made a nationally broadcast appeal last night for Americans to support the new budget proposal to reduce the deficit through spending cuts and new taxes. Bush says the plan will NOT raise income taxes... and is needed to prevent a recession. Bush will make his case again today at a news conference in Washington for out-of-town newspaper editors.

Germans ended 45 years of separation today by reunifying their country. West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl becomes the first chancellor of a united Germany since the fall of Adolf Hitler's Third Reich. Amid joyous celebrations in Berlin... Kohl said- ''years of communist dictatorship have cut deep wounds...'' but added young Germans now have the chance to spend their lives ''in peace and freedom.''

The U-S Embassy in South Africa reports a bomb exploded today outside the

residence of U-S Ambassador William Swing near Pretoria. The blast caused minor damage to a gate, but NO injuries. It is the first such incident involving the U-S ambassador in South Africa... and occurs just a week after President Frederik de Klerk returned from talks in Washington with President Bush... who endorsed his racial reforms.

Judge David Souter will be sworn in next Tuesday as Justice David Souter. The Senate voted 90-9 yesterday to confirm him as a member of the Supreme Court. Conservative Senator Strom Thurmond of South Carolina hailed the nominee as ''a man of keen intellect who is devoted to the law.'' But Souter opponent Alan Cranston of California warns if Souter votes to outlaw abortion... Cranston will work to make abortion a statutory right.

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#90276u0793 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $388.90 silver base of $4.68 and platinum price of $441.00:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$404.90	402.50
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	207.70	206.50
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	106.70	106.00
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	44.00	43.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	404.90	402.50
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	207.70	206.60
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	107.20	106.50
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	44.00	44.00
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	411.40	409.00
China Panda .50 troy oz.	212.00	210.70
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.90	109.30
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.50	47.20
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.40	28.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	405.00	402.60
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	207.00	205.70
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	104.50	106.70
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	45.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	403.50	401.60
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	207.40	207.90
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	107.20	106.70
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.50	45.40
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	403.40	401.50
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	207.40	206.50
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.90	87.50
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	46.00	45.80
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.40	23.30

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.09	$6.10
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,380	$3,400
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,475	$1,475
Platinum		
Australian Koala	463.00	464.00
Isle of Man Noble	452.00	453.00
Canada Maple Leaf	463.00	464.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - French President Francois Mitterrand set off today for a surprise visit to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. He will review elite French troops and meet with the president of the emirates. A Soviet envoy also left for Iraq and Jordan today. Cyprus stopped a Honduran-registered oil tanker and arrested its crew on suspicion of transporting Iraqi oil.

New York Mayor David Dinkins has written out his prescription for solving the city's crime ills by hiring eight-thousand new police officers. Dinkins yesterday asked for the city and state to approve his plan to battle the record homicide rate in New York City. The plan includes money for jails, courts, education and job training. It will cost two-BILLION dollars... to be financed in part by a tax of 25 cents on each dollar lottery ticket sold.

Los Angeles has become the first U-S city to ban ritualistic animal slaughter under any circumstances. The city council voted yesterday to make animal sacrifices punishable by up to six months in jail and a fine of up to one-thousand dollars. The lone dissenting councilman objected saying the law will restrict the religious freedom of immigrant communities... particularly those who practice a form of voodoo called Santeria.

Researchers say an aspirin tablet taken every other day can significantly reduce the incidence of migraine headaches. A study involving 22-thousand male doctors found those who took aspirin regularly experienced 20 percent fewer migraines than those given a dummy pill. Researchers at the Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston say although the research involved only men... taking aspirin should work just as well for women.

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#90276u0816 10/03/1990 ~United Press International
MONTGOMERY, AL (OCT. 3) UPI - A Confederate battle flag that blacks have tried to have removed from above the Alabama State Capitol was stolen from the building's dome before dawn Wednesday.

Several radio stations in Montgomery reported receiving early-morning calls from a man who identified himself as a representative of an unknown group called the Justice League. He said the group took the flag in an attempt to bring whites and blacks together.

A disc jockey at WHHY-FM in Montgomery quoted the caller as saying, ''We're whites standing with our black brothers for racial harmony.'' The group left the American and state flags flying.

Gov. Guy Hunt ordered the Confederate flag replaced and a new banner was flying over the building by 9 a.m. State Capitol police were investigating the theft.

The battle flag was the object of a major controversy two years ago when more than a dozen black legislators were arrested as they tried to climb a fence around the capitol and carry out their threat to remove the flag. The legislators were given small fines, but no jail time.

Hunt has rejected calls from blacks to remove the flag, saying the Alabama Legislature is responsible for that decision. The Legislature has repeatedly ignored or killed bills to remove the Confederate banner.

The Confederate flag has flown over the capitol since the mid 1960s, when it was raised as part of a Civil War centennial.

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#90276u0841 10/03/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 3) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Arbor Drugs (4th Q 7-31)	
$88,818,000	$78,015,000
$2,678,000 (.28)	$2,474,000 (.26)
Robbins & Myers (4th Q 8-31)	
$27,468,000	$26,786,000
$1,250,000 (.50)	$1,393,000 (.55)

Safeway Inc (3rd Q)
$3,465,600,000 $3,311,900,000
$20,800,000 (.21) $7,100,000 (.09)

Spelling Entertainment (4th Q 7-31)
$38,837,000 $43,883,000
$1,097,000 (.02) $3,461,000 (.09)

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(OCT. 3) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen pc	1pm	57	14
Amsterdam cy	1pm	68	20
Ankara pc	3pm	-	-
Athens c	2pm	80	27
Auckland c	12m	51	10
Beijing c	8pm	66	19
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	67	19
Bonn c	1pm	69	21
Brussels cy	1pm	66	19
Cairo pc	2pm	83	29
Casablanca pc	12n	74	24
Copenhagn cy	1pm	56	13
Dakar pc	12n	85	29
Dublin c	1pm	52	11
Geneva c	1pm	64	18
Helsinki r	2pm	42	06
Hong Kong cy	8pm	81	27
Jerusalem c	2pm	78	26
Karachi c	5pm	88	31
Lisbon pc	1pm	68	20
London r	1pm	55	13
Madrid cy	1pm	73	23
Malta pc	1pm	82	28
Manila cy	8pm	85	29
Moscow cy	3pm	40	05
Nairobi pc	3pm	77	25
Nassau cy	7am	82	28
New Delhi c	6pm	91	33
Nice pc	1pm	75	24
Oslo cy	1pm	55	13
Paris cy	1pm	70	21
Pretoria pc	2pm	83	28

Riyadh	3pm	100	38
Rome cy	1pm	76	24
Seoul pc	9pm	65	18
Sofia c	2pm	65	18
Stockholm cy	1pm	56	13
Sydney c	10pm	56	14
Taipei cy	8pm	82	28
Tokyo cy	9pm	73	23
Tunis c	1pm	91	33
Vienna c	1pm	61	16
Warsaw pc	1pm	57	14

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	64	18
Caracas cy	8am	72	22
Havana pc	7am	76	25
Lima cy	7am	61	16
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	77	25
Santiago cy	8am	53	11

Canada

Calgary pc		55	12
Edmonton c		53	11
Montreal c		52	11
Ottawa pc		54	12
Regina c		62	16
Toronto c		63	17
Vancouver r		56	13
Winnipeg cy		74	23

c-clear cy-cloudy d-dust fy-foggy hz-haze pc-partly cloudy r-rain s-snow w-windy

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#90276u0868 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

MONTE CARLO, MONACO (OCT. 3) UPI - Stefano Casiraghi, the Italian husband of Princess Caroline of Monaco, died in a power boat accident Wednesday during a world championship race off the coast of Monaco, witnesses and official sources said.

The Monaco press office said it would make an official announcement about the tragedy off the shores of the tiny Mediterranean city-state.

Princess Caroline was believed to be in Paris when the accident took place during the second leg of the race, according to official sources and witnesses.

The accident came eight years after the royal family's worst tragedy - the death of Princess Grace, wife of Prince Rainier and mother of Caroline. The princess, the American movie star Grace Kelly, was died in a car crash while driving with Caroline's sister, Stephanie.

Casiraghi was aboard the motorized catamaran Pinot, Pinot when it turned into a large wave at full speed, witnesses said. Rescue efforts were mounted immediately and Casiraghi's teammate, Patrice Innocenti, was pulled out of the sea alive. But Casiraghi remained trapped in his seat under the capsized boat, the witnesses said.

Casirighi, Caroline's second husband and three years her junior, married the princess on Dec. 29, 1983, in a simple civil ceremony in the royal palace in Monte Carlo. Caroline was three month's pregnant at the wedding and gave birth to a son on June 9, 1984. The couple later had two more children.

The wedding was not recognized by the Roman Catholic Church because of Caroline's divorce from Phillipe Junot, the French playboy to whom she was married form 1978 to 1980. The church never acted on Caroline's request to annul the marriage to Junot, who was 17 years older than Caroline.

Casiraghi had an adventurous streak. In addition to racing speed boats, he and Caroline competed in the grueling 8,700-mile Paris-to- Dakar, Senegal road race in 1985. They had to drop out after two days in the Algerian desert because their vehicle crashed. Some media reports said Casiraghi was driving but Caroline said another member of their crew was at the wheel.

Casiraghi also was caught up in a controversy in 1986 when friends and relatives of Italian soldiers protested a decision to allow him to avoid the military draft. In 1983 Casiraghi had claimed he was unfit for service because a genital tumor had left him temporarily impotent.

Although Casiraghi had commercial interests with his family in Milan, he moved his export-import business to Monte Carlo after the marriage and the two lived in Caroline's villa near the palace on a high cliff jutting over the sea.

Caroline's mother, Princess Grace, died Sept. 14, 1982, at age 52 after she suffered a stroke while driving a car, and crashed off a curve. Caroline took over her mother's duties in heading various charities and activities in Monaco.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record

Decreased

Alico Inc				
Extra				
Westmoreland Coal	..	.08	12-10	11-16
Usual				
Comcast Corp cl A	Q	.03	12-27	12-6
Metropolitan Rlty	..	.14	10-19	10-11
NY Tax Exempt Inco	M	.053	11-1	10-15
Paccar Inc	Q	.25	12-5	11-19
X-Rite Inc	Q	.03	11-9	10-12

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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#90276u0908 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (OCT. 3) UPI - Authorities in southern Canton raised the death toll to 127 Wednesday in the fiery crash of a hijacked jetliner at the city airport and reported one foreigner, an American, among those killed. But U.S. officials would not confirm it.

Chinese officials reached by telephone in Canton, also known as Guangzhou, refused to answer inquiries on the casualty figures or the investigation into the hijacking Tuesday, which led to a flaming crash as the plane tried to land.

The accident appeared to be the worst air crash toll reported in more than a decade since China's reopening.

A senior Chinese official said a task force had been organized to investigate the crash, but said details remained uncertain.

''The crash because of hijacking and hooligans was really a tragedy,'' State Council spokesman Yuan Mu told reporters at a Beijing reception.

The Chinese Boeing 737 was commandeered on a domestic flight over south China by two hijackers reportedly demanding to fly to Hong Kong. It came down at Canton's Bai Yun airport but slammed into an empty plane and another loaded with passengers in a fireball.

The official Xinhua news agency reported the accident investigation team of Guangdong Province, of which Canton is the capital, released a manifest of the dead raising the toll to 127. Earlier reports said 120 had died.

Among those killed, Xinhua said, were 30 Taiwan citizens, four from Hong Kong, two from Macao and 90 mainland Chinese. It listed only one foreigner killed, saying the casualty was an American.

Two American women were known to be aboard the 737 flight from the east coast

city of Xiamen to Canton. One, Erin L. Thomas, a teacher from Oklahoma City, survived and was reported in good condition in Canton's Nanfang Hospital with a leg injury.

''She's doing well, she's in as good spirits as she can be after going through something like that,'' said a spokesman for the U.S. Consulate in Canton who visited her.

Thomas's mother, Diane Ames of Moore, Okla., reportedly told The Daily Oklahoman that her 30-year-old daughter had just begun a two-year assignment teaching English at Meixian University in China and previously taught two years in Japan.

Ames said U.S. Embassy officials called her early Tuesday and, ''They said she was groggy, but considering what she had been through she was in good spirits. I thought, 'That's my gal. She's a survivor.'

''I have to believe it was more than luck,'' Ames said. ''I have to believe Erin was in China for a purpose and that purpose was not fulfilled. I feel like the luckiest mother in the world.''

Ames said she was told her daughter suffered superficial burns, a broken or dislocated collarbone and swollen toes, as well as a re-injury to a leg broken before she left for China Aug. 18.

''She's really doing well,'' said a nurse at Nanfang Hospital.

But the Consulate spokesman said the second American, identified as Maryanne Gilbert, Thomas's traveling companion, remained officially missing and had not been accounted for.

''As far as the American consulate is concerned, there's one survivor and one missing,'' the spokesman said in a telephone interview.

He said the official manifest was confused, apparently listing Thomas as having been killed and Gilbert as having survived.

Most of the dead had been aboard the hijacked 737, but others were killed and injured on the Boeing 757 waiting on the runway to take off for Shanghai.

Official reports earlier listed 100 survivors, with 53 of them injured, but Canton newspapers reported only 46 injured, suggesting seven of the injured may have died later at hospitals.

A spokesman for the Japanese Embassy in Beijing said only one Japanese national was aboard the 757 and was not seriously hurt.

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they realized they were landing in China and set off an explosion before the crash, or of a survivor's account that they struggled with the cockpit crew prior to impact.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.40-2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 131.63-135.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 45.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $459.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 298.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 3) UPI - Aggressive buying rallied soybean futures to sharply higher levels at midmorning Wednesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

The grains also were higher, partly on spillover from soybeans.

Commercials and professionals dominated the buying in the soy complex on renewed speculation the Soviet Union will soon be offered most- favored-nation status.

There also were rumors that several European countries may have bought soybean meal from South America this week.

Corn was higher across the board on reports that Spain had bought 500,000 tons overnight.

Corn and soybeans had underlying support from weather-related harvest delays because of widespread rain across the Midwest.

Wheat futures rallied on hopes of near-term exports of wheat or wheat flour, although the volume was light.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.29 up 3 3/4; Mar 2.38 1/2 up 3 3/4; May 2.44 1/4 up 3 3/4.

Soybeans Nov 6.20 up 13 3/4; Jan 6.34 1/2 up 13 1/2; Mar 6.47 up 12 3/4; May 6.57 1/2 up 13 1/4.

Wheat Dec 2.76 3/4 up 4 1/2; Mar 2.90 3/4 up 4 1/2; May 2.98 1/4 up 4 3/4.

Oats Dec 1.24 1/4 up 1 1/4; Mar 1.34 1/2 up 1 1/4; May 1.40 3/4 up 3/4.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - Emergency legislation to calm energy markets by expanding a test sale of oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve has run into potentially fatal opposition from key senators after easy House passage last week.

Bypassing the normal, lengthy process of hearings and committee action, the House swiftly approved a bill last Friday to triple the amount of oil the Energy Department is permitted to remove from the reserve under a ''test draw-down'' ordered by President Bush.

Similar legislation was introduced the same day in the Senate. But Senate Energy Committee Chairman Bennett Johnston, D-La., and the panel's ranking GOP member, Sen. James McClure, R-Idaho, moved to block further action on the bill sources said this week.

At Johnston and McClure's insistence, the bill was withheld from immediate consideration on the Senate floor and referred to the Energy Committee, where it is likely to languish, according to Senate staff members who asked not to be identified.

Both Johnston and McClure have expressed reservations about using America's emergency oil stockpile to influence oil prices absent an actual petroleum shortage, which energy analysts agree does not exist.

McClure went so far as to say in an interview last week that the ''administration is totally wrong'' to order a test sale of any size while oil supplies remain adequate.

The Energy Committee has scheduled no further meetings before Congress is set to adjourn later this month, and neither the chairman nor the ranking Republican have shown any inclination to move on the bill, the staffers said.

The Senate sponsors of the bill, Sens. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., and Carl

Levin, D-Mich., said through spokesmen they remained hopeful of committee action. But an aide to Lieberman, Jim Kennedy, acknowledged, ''It is an uphill battle. The odds are not high.''

Bush last Wednesday ordered 5 million barrels of crude released from the strategic reserve for sale on the open market, the maximum quantity allowed under a test draw-down. The House and Senate legislation would increase that amount to 15 million barrels.

Bush said he called for the test sale to demonstrate government readiness to meet the nation's energy needs in the event of a petroleum shortage and to curtail ''unwarranted'' market speculation that has driven oil futures as high as $40 a barrel since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

House action to authorize a larger test came just 24 hours after Energy Secretary James Watkins suggested to Congress last Thursday that 15 million barrels would prove a better exercise of the reserve's pumping and distribution system.

But in an apparent sign of division within the administration over use of the reserve, the White House has declined to take a position on the bill.

Bush signed separate legislation into law Sept. 15 giving him greater latitude to order a full-scale draw-down from the oil reserve, but has been reluctant to do so without a demonstrable interruption of oil supplies.

The loss of Iraqi and Kuwait oil due to U.N. trade sanctions imposed largely through U.S. military power has crimped world production, but experts have said overall oil inventories are expected to remain at or above normal levels in the near future.

Meanwhile, higher prices are curbing the government's ability to fill the petroleum reserve itself, cutting in half the amount of oil it can purchase for the stockpile under the spending bill approved for the coming year by the House Appropriations Committee, said Rep. Sidney Yates, D-Ill., chairman of the subcommittee that oversees fossil fuel programs.

The strategic reserve was created in 1975 following the Arab oil embargo to ensure the United States a supply of oil during an energy crisis caused by events overseas, natural disasters or sabotage.

Last month, the president signed a law expanding his discretion to tap the reserve in a situation ''that constitutes, or is likely to become, a domestic energy supply shortage of significant scope or duration.''

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#90276u0957 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 3) UPI - A U-S Embassy spokesman in Pretoria says NO one has claimed responsibility for the explosion of a home-made bomb early today outside the rear gate to the residence of U-S Ambassador William Swing. South African police say the bomb damaged the metal gate and a nearby garden shed. NO injuries are reported.

Cigarette company ads that target women as possible smokers are under attack from the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology and from Surgeon General Antonia Novello. She says that 126-thousand women die every year from smoking-related disorders. And she says the deaths are entirely preventable. Thomas Lauria of the Tobacco Institute says the critics are being sexist.

The 30-year-old husband of Princess Caroline of Monaco was killed today in an accident in a speedboat race. Race organizers reported the death. Stefano Casiraghi married the princess in 1983. He later moved his export-import business from Milan to Monaco. Princess Caroline reportedly was in Paris when the accident occurred in the second leg of a race. Witnesses said Casiraghi's motorized catamaran overturned when it turned into a large wave at full speed.

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#90276u0960 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - Officials of mainstream American churches said Wednesday the movie industry's decision to scrap the X rating for sexually explicit films was ''arrogant and ill-advised'' and should be reconsidered.

In a joint statement, leaders of the National Council of Churches and the U.S. Catholic Conference also warned the change may encourage further attacks on the industry and fuel a campaign for direct government regulation of movies.

In assailing the decision to adopt a new NC-17 rating to replace the X, the statement said the Motion Picture Association of America ''has caved in to the commercial interests of those who are are attempting to get sexually expoitative material into general theatrical release.''

''It is an arrogant and ill-advised decision which deeply affects the public good,'' said the statement released by Bishop Edward J. O'Donnell, chairman of the Committee on Communication fo the USCC, and Beverly Chain, head of the Communications Unit of the NCC.

The MPAA announced a week ago it would replace its controversial X rating with the NC-17 designation. The new rating, like the old X, will bar admission to anyone under the age of 17. The letters NC stand for ''no children.''

The R rating, still in effect, allows those under 17 to be admitted only when accompanied by an adult.

The industry group had been under mounting pressure from movie makers to

change the rating system, which was not copyrighted. Since the 1970s, makers of pornographic films have gleefully claimed X ratings, even though their movies are not reviewed by the MPAA.

Serious movies that are reviewed and rated X because of some scenes, the film makers argued, were unfairly stigmatized as pornography. Many newspapers will not advertise X films and most theaters will not show them.

A number of recent films, including Peter Greenway's ''The Cook, the Thief, His Wife & Her Lover,'' and Pedro Almodovar's ''Tie Me Up! Tie Me Down!'' received X ratings from the MPAA but rather than accept the rating, the film's were released unrated.

Universal Picture's ''Henry and June,'' due to be released Oct. 5, also had received an X rating - despite extensive editing - but is likely to be the first film released with the new NC-17 rating.

The church groups said the MPAA's decision to change the voluntary rating system was made ''in isolation, without public consultation. The change is neither in the public interest nor in the best interest of the industry.''

The two church officials also urged the National Association of Theater Owners to refuse to book NC-17 movies and asked newspapers and others to refuse to accept advertising for them.

The MPAA statement announcing the change was co-signed by the theater owners group. The New York Times announced last week it will accept ads for all movies rated by the MPAA, including those rated NC-17, ''providing the ads themselves are in acceptable taste.''

O'Donnell and Chain warned that the change in the system will be used by conservatives already calling for more government regulation of the media.

''That is unfortunate, because a voluntary system of self-regulation that skirts constitutional concerns, yet affords at least a minimum of protection for the public, is workable,'' they said.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 3) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 59-65.

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#90276u0963 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (OCT. 3) UPI - Assailants threw a hand grenade near the Old City's walls in Arab East Jerusalem Wednesday, wounding two paramilitary Border Police and five Arabs, authorities said.

Police detained dozens of Arabs for questioning in connection with the attack, Army Radio reported.

A police spokesman said the hand grenade was thrown at a Border Police patrol along a major East Jerusalem commercial road near the Old City's walls. The spokesman said the grenaded wounded the two paramilitary Border Police and five Arabs.

During the past week, severe clashes between masked Palestinian youths and Israeli security forces have erupted in several East Jerusalem neighborhoods in a resurgence of violence.

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#90276u0983 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

MOUNT WASHINGTON, NH (OCT. 3) UPI - Rescue workers battled winter-like conditions Wednesday as they tried to retrieve three victims who died when their small plane crashed into Mount Washington, the highest peak in the Northeast.

Authorities identified two of the three victims in the crash in a remote area of Mount Washington as Texas residents.

The Cessna 172 crashed into the Great Gulf area of the 6,288-foot mountain Tuesday while on a flight from Syracuse, N.Y., to Bangor, Maine.

Killed in the crash were the pilot, Jimmy Fred Jones, 33, and a passenger, Stewart H. Jones, 27, both of Fort Worth, Texas, according to Maj. Henry Mock, chief of law enforcement for the state Fish and Game Department.

The identity of the second passenger on the craft was withheld pending notification of next of kin.

Hikers found the wreckage in a light snow cover on the north side of the peak Tuesday afternoon, more than seven hours after the plane disappeared from radio and radar contact near Whitefield, Mock said.

The pilot had radioed air traffic controllers in Nashua about 3:20 a.m. to ask for weather and air traffic patterns along the route, said Michael Cicarrelli,

a spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration.

Controllers lost radio and radar contact with the plane at 4:44 a.m. over Whitefield, about 20 miles northeast of Mount Washington, Ciccarelli said.

Mock said the hikers reached the base of the mountain too late for crews to return to the crash site before darkness.

He said Fish and Game officers were battling winter-like conditions, with winds up to 60 mph and below freezing temperatures. He said he expected the bodies to be brought out of the mountains by late Wednesday afternoon.

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#90276u1001 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 3) UPI - The United States wants a report on the investigation and prosecution of 73 crimes - most of them killings - against Americans in the Philippines since 1987, the state news agency said Wednesday.

Also, police were investigating the explosion of homemade bombs at a university and in front of the Philippine consulate in Manila.

The official Philippine News Agency said the 73 cases included the slayings of Army Col. James Rowe and 11 other Americans, most of them blamed on communist guerrillas.

Rowe, a heavily decorated Vietnam War veteran and former prisoner of war, was killed April 21, 1989, in suburban Quezon City.

The New Peoples Army, the 19,000-strong armed wing of the outlawed Communist Party of the Philippines, claimed responsibility for his slaying, accusing him of ''direct involvement'' in the campaign against the 21-year-old insurgency.

Manglapus said 34 other Americans, among them retired military personnel, businessmen and tourists, have been killed in the country since 1987, the news agency said.

At least 27 other Americans were victims of various forms of assault, including Marilyn ONeil, a cousin of former U.S. House speaker Thomas ONeil. She was shot and critically wounded in an ambush June 9, 1988, near the southern city of Zamboanga.

Another victim mentioned was Ralph Moore, composer and lead singer of a campaign song for President Corazon Aquino. He was shot Jan. 16, 1987, while jogging near his home in suburban Mandaluyong but escaped unhurt because he was wearing a bulletproof vest, the report said.

The State Department inquiry was sent to Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus, who

referred it to Justice Secretary Franklin Drilon. Manglapus asked Drilon to report on each of the cases, the news agency said.

Tiny homemade bombs exploded Wednesday at a university and a waiting shed in front of the Philippine consular office in Manila, injuring three women, police said.

Police they believed the blasts were unrelated to the several dozen bombings in the past two months in the capital blamed on rebel soldiers.

The first explosion was reported at the University of Santo Tomas. The blast was caused by a tiny time bomb placed underneath a desk and slightly injured a woman teacher. A student was held for questioning.

A Molotov cocktail was thrown at a waiting shed at a bus stop in front of the Philippine consular office, wounding two women, police said.

The military also said troops Tuesday raided a house used by rebel soldiers in Cabiao, in Nueva Ecija province, 60 miles north of Manila.

No one was found in the house but troops seized two pistols and several boxes of machine-gun ammunition, the military said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - President Bush, deciding to stay in Washington to lobby for the controversial budget package, has canceled plans to campaign for Republican candidates in New England Thursday and Friday, a White House spokesman announced Wednesday.

The president had planned to fly to Kennebunkport, Maine, Thursday morning, using his vacation home as a base to campaign in Boston, Waterbury, Conn., Stamford, Conn., Burlington, Vt., and Manchester, N.H.

Bush had scheduled to make the side trips to nearby points during his Columbus Day long weekend sojourn at his seaside estate in Maine, returning to Washington on Monday.

But press secretary Marlin Fitzwter said that Bush ''wants to be here to lobby'' because of the upcoming vote on the budget package.

The New England stops will be rescheduled, Fitzwater said.

He told reporters that the president might decide to remain in the Washington area for the remainder of the week, perhaps spending the weekend at Camp David instead of traveling to Maine.

The president told a news conference with regional editors that he planned to continue his busy political schedule during the month of October in support of GOP candidates.

Some of the Republican candidates who are up for re-election are opposed to the deficit package that they believe is a political time bomb. Rep. Lynn Martin, R-Ill., who is seeking to unseat Sen. Paul Simon, D-ill., is not endorsing the agreement.

Bush said Wednesday that Democrats and Republicans can ''blame me'' if they need a political target, but he is sticking to his determination to sell the deficit accord as the ''last best hope'' to keep the country from sinking into an economic disaster.

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BUFFALO, NY (OCT. 3) UPI - More than 12 years after it became a national environmental disaster, the legal battle surrounding chemical dumping at Love Canal will finally reach the courts later this month.

U.S. District Judge John Curtin ruled Tuesday that the trial will start on Oct. 24, and that lawyers for New York State will get to seek $250 million in punitive damages from Occidental Chemical Corp. for chemical dumping at the infamous Niagara Falls, N.Y. dump.

Curtin issued his ruling after attorneys for Occidental tried to convince the judge that the Dallas company had already been punished enough for Love Canal.

Curtin's ruling means that the state attorney general's office will be able to seek a financial award to punish Occidental, in addition to reimbursement for cleanup costs at Love Canal. No decision on the amount of damage to be paid by the chemical firm - or any other party found responsible - will be made until after the trial.

John Stuart, public affairs spokesman for Occidental, noted that Curtin did not decide the state is entitled to punitive damages, only that the state may present its proof at trial.

''The company disagrees with Curtin's legal analysis,'' he said. ''Further, the company is confident that after all proofs are submitted to the court, the court will find that the company engaged in no conduct that would warrant a punitive damages award.''

State Attorney General Robert Abrams said the decision was of ''critical importance, not only to the state in its lawsuit against Occidental, but to environmental enforcement officers throughout the country.''

The state and federal governments declared a state of emergency at Love Canal in August 1978, leading to the immediate, permanent relocation of 237 families living along the canal itself and the eventual evacuation of 1,000 families from the surrounding area over a three-year period.

Occidental in 1968 acquired what was then known as Hooker Chemical Co., which had dumped tons of toxins, including the potent carcinogen dioxin, into Love Canal in the 1940s and 1950s.

Later, the Canal was sealed with a clay cap and homes and a school were built on top of it after Hooker sold the property for $1 to the Niagara Falls School Board.

Chemicals began oozing from the ground and, coupled with high incidences of birth defects and cancer, led the EPA to order the evacuations.

Occidental, which claims it should not be held liable for the problems at Love Canal because Hooker had warned the school board about the chemicals dumped there, has filed its own lawsuits in the case against the state and federal governments, the city of Niagara Falls and the school board.

Occidental is a subsidiary of Los Angeles-based Occidental Petroleum Corp.

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STRASBOURG, FRANCE (OCT. 3) UPI - The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait was an ''earth tremor'' on the world economy and its consequences are yet to be determined, the head of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development said Wednesday.

Secretary General Jean-Claude Paye told the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe that while the world has enough oil, the shock of losing 4 million to 5 million barrels a day because of the U.N.-imposed embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil triggered negative psychological effects that could lead to real poverty.

''In short, the fear of scarcity breeds scarcity,'' he said.

Paye said industrialized countries are better able to deal with the situation than they were during the two previous oil shocks, but it would be a mistake to ease monetary and fiscal policies to maintain current economic levels.

''The fact that the present rise is not caused by a genuine shortage makes it all the more unjustified to allow an upward spiral of prices and wages,'' he said.

Paye urged OECD members to re-emphasize alternative energy policies, allow the

oil price increases to be passed onto the public, maintain firm monetary and fiscal policies and protect investment capacity as much as possible.

''Iraq's aggression against Kuwait is like an earth tremor, the intensity and consequences of which cannot yet be assessed in either the political or economic sphere,'' he said.

The Paris-based OECD, a think tank for the world's 24 richest countries, monitors the world economy and frequently recommends steps for its members to take to insure growth and control inflation.

After his speech, Paye said that based on a $25 a barrel oil price, the growth of OECD economies would drop by one-half a percentage point while inflation would rise a full percentage point.

Paye said the OECD predicted in June that economic growth in the industrialized countries in the next 18 months would stabilize at about 3 percent a year, with inflation at 4.5 percent.

''In a word, while the summer began on an optimistic note, the mood in autumn is one of uncertainty,'' he said. ''And the spectre of war, which we thought had been laid to rest under the ruins of the Berlin Wall, has reappeared on the shores of the (Persian) Gulf.''

Paye warned that the gulf crisis should not divert attention from the urgent need of helping East European countries develop market economies.

''Time is pressing,'' he said. ''The gulf crisis is making Eastern Europe's transition still more difficult. Living standards have dropped appreciably, unemployment is rising. If the hope of imminent improvement fades, social and political convulsions from which no one would gain are liable to occur.''

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OMAHA (OCT. 3) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 250, slaughter 250, feeders none; slaughter steers and heifers offered in very light numbers, hardly enough either class to establish a market, few sales generally 50 lower than Tuesday, slaughter cows and bulls steady; slaughter steers few loads and lots choice No 2-3, few 4s 1125-1225 lb 77.50-78.25; slaughter heifers few loads and lots choice No 2-3, few 4s 1050-1150 lb 76.50-77.50; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 breaking 52.00-54.75, boning 51.75-57.25, low to average cutter 47.00-52.75.

Hogs slaughter 1,300, feeder pigs 800, total 2, 100; butchers 2.00-3.00 lower, No 1-3 220-270 lb 58.25-58.50, No 1-2 200-230 lb 58.00-58.25; sows 25 percent, 1.00-2.00 lower, No 1-3 350-500 lb 48.50-48.75, some 49.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb

50.00- 50.50.

Sheep 50, slaughter classes steady, shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-135 lb No 1-2 pelts 50.00-51.00, 110-120 lb 47.00-50.00; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-135 lb 48.00-49.00, 110-120 lb 45.00-48.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - Factory orders advanced 1.8 percent in August to $244.6 billion on an increase in petroleum refining costs in the aftermath of Iraq's invasion of Kuwaiti oilfields, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

Excluding petroleum, factory orders were up 0.6 percent in August.

There were also increases - although not as sizeable - in orders for military hardware, from ships and tanks to aircraft and missiles, according to the data compiled by the department's Census Bureau.

Not counting defense items, total orders advanced 1.4 percent. Excluding transportation equipment, orders increased 1.8 percent.

Private analysts, concerned about the latest Middle East crisis, had predicted a decline in August factory orders following a revised 1.5 percent gain in July and a 1.9 percent drop in June.

''It certainly was stronger than expected,'' said Jean Sundrla, an economist at the private forecasting firm Evans Economics in Washington. ''We're just kind of plodding along here.''

She doubted, however, that the factory data would encourage the inflation- and war-wary Federal Reserve Board to do little more than take action to ease interest rates slightly.

''The saying around here is 'They're caught between Iraq and a hard place,''' Sundrla said.

A more pessimistic Lynn Reaser, an economist at First Interstate Bancorp in Los Angeles, cautioned, ''The headline paints an encouraging picture, but the increase seems to point to special factors'' - oil and defense.

Reaser also pointed to ''discouraging'' orders for clothes and household goods signs that consumers are holding back on spending.

''The bottom line is the report is somewhat misleading,'' Reaser said. ''Most of the factors point to considerbale softness in the economy.''

Factory orders for durable goods - costly products made to last three or more years - dipped 0.9 percent during the month, but August orders for non-durable goods climbed 4.4 percent.

''Most of the (total) increase is attributed to the petroleum refining industry, which had substantial price increases during the month,'' the Commerce Department report said. ''Shipments were similarly influenced by the petroleum refining industry.''

Total shipments of manufactured goods increased 3.4 percent to $245.9 percent. Unfilled orders, which are not affected by the oil industry, declined 0.2 percent to $518.7 billion.

Inventories, meanwhile, inched up 0.2 percent to $373.9 billion, while the inventory-to-shipments ratio, which tracks product delivery time, dropped to 1.52 percent in August from 1.57 in July.

Excluding petroleum, inventories were unchanged for the month.

Sundrla said she was encouraged that inventories ''remain well under control'' because a buildup of inventories means factory output is out of step with consumer demand - a classic sign of impending recession.

In July, total factory shipments slipped 0.7 percent, unfilled orders edged up 0.5 percent and manufacturers' inventories increased 0.7 percent.

The government data were adjusted for seasonal factors.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - A major overhaul of U.S. immigration rules to help unite families, allow more skilled workers in, and increase the number of European immigrants won House approval Wednesday on a 231-192 vote.

The bill would increase immigration from the current limit of 540,000 a year to roughly 800,000. A similar Senate bill, which is favored by the administration, would raise the limit to just 630,000 immigrants.

House and Senate negotiators will try to work out a compromise version in the short time remaining before Congress adjourns for the year.

In 1986 Congress granted amnesty to almost 1.7 million illegal immigrants, but the basic immigration law has has not been reformed since 1965. ''A great deal has changed in the last 25 years,'' said Rep. Jack Brooks, D-Texas, chairman of the House Judiciary Committee. ''We need to take a fresh look.''

Brooks said the bill seeks to ''place greater emphasis on employment- based

immigration. It will increaes the number of highly skilled or otherwise needed foreign-born workers.''

U.S. companies seeking to hire skilled foreign workers currently must wait up to three years to secure visas. The bill would expedite the process and raise the number of employer-sponsored immigrants from the current level of around 30,000 to 65,000 each year.

In order to secure visas, companies would have to file statements with the Labor Department declaring they could not fill the positions with U.S. workers.

The bill would help reunite families by increasing to 115,000 a year the number of spouses and minor children of permanent residents who can enter the country, plus 35,000 adult unmarried children.

It is expected that about 100,000 of the first year's visas allowed under the bill will go to applicants from the three highest demand countries - Mexico, the Philippines, and the Dominican Republic.

Current law sets no limit on the immigration of relatives of U.S. citizens and that would remain unchanged under the bill.

The change in favor of skilled immigrants is expected to ''correct inequities against would-be immigrants of certain countries,'' particularly Europeans, Brooks said.

The 1965 changes stressed family reunification over immigrants with needed skills, but critics say that worked against Europeans. In 1965, more than one-third of those admitted were from Europe and only 7 percent were from Asia. Currently, about 85 percent of all immigration comes from Latin America and Asia.

Rep. Hamilton Fish, R-N.Y., ranking GOP member of the Judiciary Committee, said the bill would ''right some of the wrongs caused by past and current immigration laws.''

''It creates opportunities to immigrate to natives of countries who are virtually shut out of the immigration system. ... (It) will allow the Irish, Africans, Eastern Europeans, Tibetans, Western Europeans and others to find their way back into the immigration flow that they had been excluded from for 25 years or more,'' Fish said.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 3) UPI - A newspaper art critic, testifying Wednesday in the obscenity case against an art gallery for showing controversial Robert Mapplethorpe photographs, said he could make no judgment on whether the

pictures are offensive.

Owen Findsen, a 25-year veteran of The Cincinnati Enquirer, cited a recent conversation he had with a woman gardener in explaining why he couldn't tell people what to think.

The woman, Findsen said, told him she was offended by Mapplethorpe photographs of flowers on display at the Cincinnati Center for Contemporary Arts, but did not find the pictures showing homosexual pictures offensive.

''I just can't tell people what to think,'' Findsen told the Hamilton County Municipal Court jury.

The art gallery and its director, Dennis Barrie, are facing charges of pandering obscenity and using a minor in nudity-oriented material.

It is the first time an art gallery has faced obscenity charges. At issue are seven of 175 photographs displayed last spring in the exhibit ''Robert Mapplethorpe: The Perfect Moment.''

Five of the photographs depict sadomasochistic homosexual acts and the other two show children with their genitals exposed.

Findsen, a defense witness, said outside the courtroom that he initially refused to testify but was subpoenaed.

Findsen testified his job as an art critic requires him to bridge the gap between people who know a lot about art and people who know little about art.

Stuart Schloss, a member of the board of director of the Center for Contempoary Arts, testified the museum received some complaints before the exhibit opened because the photographs in question were being separated by the others.

He said after the exhibit closed, there were some complaints by people under 18 who were not allowed to see the photographs in question.

Some 8,100 people saw the exhibit, Schloss testified.

On Tuesday police issued 35 disorderly conduct warrants against demonstrators who simulated sex acts and blocked traffic outside the courthouse last week.

Carol Lippmann of Act-Up Cincinnati, the gay-rights group that organized the demonstration, said there would be a repeat performance this week.

''They're just trying to use scare tactics to prevent us from holding other demonstrations,'' Lippmann said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - A congressional effort to stop some farmers from walking away with huge government payments may backfire and cost the government more, not less, an administration analysis said Wednesday.

Enforcement of the payment limits has been a sore point for years. Critics say some producers subdivide their operations in order to evade the rules.

At present, a farmer can get $50,000 in crop subsidy payments and a total of $250,000 from all forms of farm program payments. The limit effectively is doubled, however, because farmers are allowed to receive indirect payments from two other business entities.

In an analysis circulated on Capitol Hill in recent days, the Agriculture Department, which unsuccessfully backed a rival reform plan, criticized language approved by the House to curb the payments. A copy of the analysis was obtained by United Press International.

Representatives voted Aug. 1 to reduce the payment limit for farmers to $200,000 in direct payments and to allow a total of $100,000 from payments, such as marketing loans, outside of crop supports. Final congressional action on the plan is awaiting completion of a House- Senate compromise.

The department favored a plan by Rep. Silvio Conte, R-Mass., to require payments to be attributed to individuals, rather than farming operations, and to put a $50,000 limit on each type of payment.

Although the department estimates a $5 million savings over five years due to the lower payment limit approved by the House, its analysis complained about changes in the definition of who is eligible for payments. This year's bumper crops could bring lower market prices and induce operators to wiggle around the limits, it said.

''It is now thought likely that incentives for the creation of new payment entitities under the revised 'person' rule could result in increases in outlays of several million dollars, rather than savings,'' Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter said in a cover letter.

The letter suggested the final version of the new farm policy law should retain the $200,000 limit endorsed by the House but change the definition of who or what business entity is a ''person'' that can collect payments.

The department said the House language would allow each stockholder in a corporation, partnership or estate to receive up to $200,000 in payments.

Rep. Jerry Huckaby, D-La., sponsor of the language under attack, said the

administration criticism was unfair. A House Agriculture Committee staff worker said the language in Huckaby's amendment had been lifted from Conte's plan, which presumably had been screened by the administration.

In comments published by Congressional Quarterly, Huckaby said the provision would be tightened by House and Senate negotiators.

The department also objected to a provision in the Huckaby amendment to bar trusts from receiving farm program payments.

Studies have shown large farms get the biggest share of program payments, a reflection of their dominance in agricultural production. An analysis of payments in 1987 showed cotton farms received an average of $29,380 and cash grain farms $16,986, while the average was $13,800. One-third of U.S. farms receive payments.

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JERUSALEM (OCT. 3) UPI - Israeli officials cautiously welcomed the re-unification of Germany Wednesday, expressing hope it would work diligently against anti-Semitism and remember its moral obligation to the Jewish people.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir told Helmut Richter, the German Embassy's charge d'affaires in Israel, the day was of major significance for the Germany people but for Israel ''this is naturally a day of reflection.''

''While we do not interfere in the drawing of borders elsewhere, we have to remember the unprecedented tragedy inflicted by Nazi Germany on our people, maiming it for generations,'' Shamir told Richter, according to a statement released by the prime minister's office.

Foreign Minister David Levy said German unification has to be met not only with congratulations, but with ''the hope that the Germany of tomorrow will be a Germany that will pass the test first of all of the Jewish people.''

''(I hope it will be a Germany) that will take a stand against anti- Semitism, a Germany that remembers always, and in the next generation and the generations to follow, her obligations and her moral and national obligation for what she has done to the Jewish people.''

An estimated 6 million Jews were killed by the Nazis during the Holocaust along with hundreds of thousands of other people, including political opponents and Gypsies.

Israeli officials have said they were disappointed the unification treaty and other unification accords had not emphasized more the Holocaust in Germany history. Parliament Speaker Dov Shilansky, a Holocaust survivor, termed the

unification of Germany as a day of mourning.

''I am afraid that a united Germany, since anti-Semitic and Nazi groups are on the rise, can in the future can turn again to an expansionist policy and narrow-minded nationalist direction,'' said Yitzhak Arad, chairman of Yad Vashem, the Holocaust memorial and museum in Jerusalem.

''I am not against good relations with Germany, but still as a (Holocaust) survivor, I have the feelings that I express. For me today is not a holiday, not a celebration,'' Arad said.

Germany Chancellor Helmut Kohl, in a letter to Shamir, said Germany was aware of its past and its obligation to Israel and the Jewish people.

Shamir told Richter, the German representative, Wednesday, ''It is our hope that united Germany will do its utmost, by all possible means, political, educational and legal, to make sure that what happened in the past will not recur, and that anti-Semitic and neo-Nazi phenomena will be combatted.''

''We also hope that history lessons will be reflected in the future attitude toward the Jewish people and in particular in the policy of support and assistance to the state of Israel,'' Shamir said.

In the early 1950s, West Germany acknowledged its responsiblity in the Holocaust and offered reparations to victims. Earlier this year, East Germany admitted its role in the plan to exterminate European Jews.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - President Bush met with regional newspaper editors in Washington today to continue his push for support of the 500-BILLION-dollar deficit-reduction plan. Last night, in a nation-wide address, Bush warned of economic hardship if Congress fails to enact the plan. He appealed to the nation's citizens to urge their lawmakers to support the bi-partisan package. Bush said the budget deficit is- in his words- ''a cancer gnawing away at our nation's health.'' .

Federal Reserve chief Alan Greenspan supports the budget compromise. The head of the nation's central bank says failure to pass the 500- BILLION-dollar package would be- quoting now- ''a grave mistake.'' Greenspan says the plan should reduce the drain of the federal deficit on the national savings... lessen pressures on credit markets... and enhance investment and the long-run growth potential of the United States.

NASA has begun the countdown procedures for what could be its first mission in five months- the Saturday morning launch of the shuttle Discovery. But environmentalists are back in court, trying to keep Discovery on the ground.

They are worried about the 24 pounds of plutonium it carries.

Chinese officials now say 127 people died yesterday in the fireball that had been a hijacked Boeing 737 jetliner. A formal investigation has begun into China's worst air crash in more than a decade. One American is known to have survived, another is listed as missing and presumed dead.

Political tensions in Yugoslavia have reached the point where two police officers have been wounded in an incident with armed Serbians in the Croatian Republic. Minority Serbians in the republic say they have taken control of their own areas and the officers were wounded as they checked out roadblocks.

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DUMFRIES, SCOTLAND (OCT. 3) UPI - The sister and husband of a flight attendant who was killed in the bombing of a Pan Am jetliner have dedicated their lives to discovering the truth behind the disaster.

Marina de Larracoechea and Frank Rozenkranz, who live in New York, have given up their careers to concentrate on their investigation, focusing particularly on the international security related to the terrorist attack Dec. 21, 1988.

They are attending a Scottish inquiry into the deaths of the 259 people aboard the Boeing 747 and 11 people on the ground in Lockerbie, Scotland. The two are not just spectators but are accredited as ''official representatives,'' and have taken places next to the British and American lawyers representing other victims' relatives.

De Larracoechea, a 41-year-old Spaniard, and Rozenkranz, 45 and German, are the only lay people who have been given permission to cross- examine witnesses.

They have chosen to be involved in the case because, ''We want issues raised in our own way - not the way a lawyer would deal with them,'' de Larracoechea said.

Their link to the case is Nieves Larracoechea, who was 39 when she died. She lived in Madrid, Spain and flew out of London for Pan Am. She had been a flight attendant for 17 years, circling the world in a job her sister said ''she really loved.''

The inquiry was adjourned until Thursday after a Scottish lawyer involved in the case was killed in an automobile accident.

''We believe the disaster was preventable,'' said de Larracoechea. ''There were advance warnings which were specific enough for the U.S. government to advise diplomats not to travel on the flight. Yet they were not made public. Not even the crew of the aircraft was told. We want to know why.''

She also recalled that three months before the bombing German police found a terrorist cell that had built a bomb designed to blow up an aircraft - it was nearly identical to the device that destroyed Flight 103, a Semtex bomb hidden in a radio-cassette player.

''Why was Britain with all its experience of IRA terrorism not alarmed? Why was action not taken? These are questions that have to be asked,'' de Larracoechea said.

The flight was en route from Frankfurt, Germany, to New York after stopping in London.

''My sister, 18 months my junior, was the purest, most beautiful person. She was murdered along with 269 other innocent people. They paid with their lives for errors of one administration or another,'' de Larracoechea said.

''Those responsible should be in jail. And I don't just mean the terrorists. I include the passive accomplices - the people who did not pass on the warnings.The State Department. The counter-intelligence agents. The Pan Am sales managers.''

De Larracoechea gave up her career as an interior designer to devote herself to the campaign. She is a member of the American relatives' group.

''The reality of my sister's death is very hard to live with,'' she said. ''It has been devastating. I feel I have to do what I'm now doing.''

Rozencranz, who was married to Nieves Larracoechea for 10 years, gave up his insurance broker's business and his house in Spain to dedicate himself to the case.

''I went out and bought a computer and got down to work,'' he said. ''I spend every day looking into aspects of the bombing. It is what I have to do.

''I think it is the most normal thing. I have no family and I'm prepared to commit myself to this for three or four years. It is another chapter in my life and I have to turn it into something good.''

The ''something good'' would be combatting world terrorism by finding ways making aircraft and airports safer.

''You cannot achieve this just by putting in more guards and equipment,'' he said. ''You have to visit the various countries, study the culture of the people, the political situation and many other aspects. This is what I want to get involved in - either with a consumer group, a political party or some other body.''

He has pleasant, loving memories of his wife.

''She was very much liked by all her colleagues,'' he said. ''She had close friends all over the world. She loved her job and wanted to stay on although we did not need her salary. She never thought about danger. She kept the newspaper cutting on the Tenerife air disaster - the worst ever - but never spoke about crashes.

''My memory of her keeps me going. Investigating Flight 103 is now my life.''

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GUYMON, OK (OCT. 3) UPI - A judge has been lying in his grave since August but his supporters say the dead jurist is the best available choice.

Sam Fouquet of Guymon, chairman of a group called The Friends of Frank Ogden in Texas County, said Tuesday more than a dozen people are serving on an Oklahoma Panhandle committee backing Ogden's posthumous re-election to the state district judgeship.

''Investigate the two candidates and you might find in this case the dead man is a better candidate,'' Fouquet said.

Ogden, who served the four-county district since 1977, died in August after filing for re-election.

His timing was poor. He died too late to have his name removed from the Nov. 6 general election ballot.

The only candidates on the ballot are Ogden and Josh J. Evans.

It initially appeared that Ogden's death would clear the way for Evans' election, but supporters of the deceased judge are urging voters to cast their ballots for Ogden.

Fouquet said Ogden's re-election would result in a declaration of vacancy, followed by a judicial nominating committee's statewide advertisement for applicants. He said this would produce a gubernatorial appointment for a judge in the district.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - Teachers at Temple University in Philadelphia voted 200-199 to accept a judge's order and end a 29-day strike in time to save the semester for students. The school's 11-hundred teachers were returning to work today while their union continued contract negotiations with the administration.

In Jackson, Mississippi, impeached federal Judge Walter Nixon Junior has been ordered back behind bars for violating conditions of his parole. A U-S Parole Commission revoked Nixon's parole and ordered him to serve four months for carrying two guns on a wild turkey hunt last April. At the time, Nixon was on parole for a 1986 conviction on two felony charges of lying to a federal grand jury. He had served almost two years in prison.

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 3) UPI - Foreign ministers of the Arab League met Wednesday in an effort to resolve their differences caused by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and to endorse a U.N. agenda dealing with the Persian Gulf and Middle East issues, diplomats said.

The meeting, held at U.N. headquarters where the ministers were attending the U.N. General Assembly session, began Wednesday morning with all members of the 21-nation Arab League represented except Jordan, Iraq and Sudan.

The diplomats said the ministers held the day-long closed-door session to discuss pending resolutions in the Security Council and General Assembly regarding the Israeli-occupied territories and the situation in the Persian Gulf.

Kuwait's Foreign Minister, Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmed, told reporters after the morning meeting that Arab League representatives will meet in Tunis, Tunisia, on Oct. 22 to set a date for a formal meeting of foreign ministers.

Al-Ahmed said the ministers agreed to discuss the Iraqi invasion in the General Assembly and that ''any peace solution should be worked out in the context of the Arab League and they rejected any individual initiatives.''

The Palestine Liberation Organization's permanent U.N. observer, Zehdi Labib Terzi, told reporters that PLO foreign minister Farouk Khadoumi attended the meeting to present the case for an urgent meeting of the Security Council on Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Ministers at the meeting included Saudi Arabia's Saud Al-Faisal, Syria's Farouk Al-Shara, Egypt's Deputy Foreign Minister Boutros Ghali and Lebanon's Prime Minister Selim El-Hoss.

The diplomats said the meeting was also to try to unify Arab states within the United Nations. At the Sept. 17 Cairo meeting, only 12 of the 21 members showed up to agree to shift the league's headquarters from Tunis to Cairo.

The Arab League split on the U.S. troop deployment in Saudi Arabia although the majority condemned the invasion of Kuwait.

Egypt led a group of at least seven Arab states that supported the U.S.-led multinational force in the gulf, including Morocco, Syria, Saudi Arabia and Oman, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates. Those opposed included Sudan, Algeria, Yemen, Tunisia, Jordan and Libya.

Terzi said his organization has asked the 15-nation Security Council to pay as much attention to the situation in the West Bank and Gaza Strip as it has to the gulf crisis.

''I am more concerned about Palestinians dying every day there,'' Terzi said.

He said the Soviet Union, China, France, Britain and the non-aligned nations have accepted the request to meet. The United States has not.

El-Hoss reminded the Security Council in a speech late Tuesday before the General Assembly that resolution 425 calling for the withdrawal of Israel from Lebanon has not been implemented for 12 years.

El-Hoss said it is time for the council to apply Chapter 7 of the U.N. Charter against Israel, the same way the council did with Iraq after it refused to pull out of Kuwait. It was under Chapter 7 that the council imposed the worldwide trade and arms embargo on Iraq.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 3) UPI - About 250 disabled activists trooped to the regional office of the Department of Health and Human Services to demand a phone meeting with HHS chief Louis Sullivan about government subsidized home care.

Members of American Disabled for Attendant Programs Today, getting around town with crutches and wheelchairs, have been in Atlanta since Monday to call attention to their fight for federal funding of services allowing them to remain at home instead of being institutionalized.

Specifically, the group, ADAPT, wants Sullivan to redirect 25 percent of Medicaid's $17.5 billion nursing home budget to provide home care for the disabled.

As the group assembled at Richard B. Russell Federal Building, which houses the regional HHS office, one of its leaders, got through to the health secretary by telephoning the National Public Radio studios in Washington during a call-in program.

ADAPT organizer Bob Kafka pressed Sullivan on the nationally broadcast health program to comply with the group's wishes in a 3-minute heated exchange during which Sullivan twice had to ask Kafka not to interrupt.

''The country is crying out for community-based attendant services, and we're here in Atlanta protesting for four days because our country has put disabled people in institutions almost like prisons,'' Kafka said.

''I would like to ask Dr. Sullivan if he would commit to personally shifting 5 billion dollars of Medicaid money from nursing homes to community-based attendant services.''

Sullivan replied that Medicaid money is distributed to individual states that have the power to use the funds for programs as they see fit.

''Your efforts should be directed to various states,'' Sullivan said. ''We certainly do want to do everything to provide better services for our disabled citizens. You really do need to focus on the state agencies.''

About 60 members of the group spent the first day of their campaign occupying the office of the president of Morehouse College, where Sullivan formerly served as medical school president.

Organizers hoped Morehouse officials would use their influence to arrange a meeting with Sullivan. The group left the office of President Leroy Keith following a nearly 24-hour standoff with school officials after being told by federal authorities that Sullivan was out of the country.

The demonstrators decided to target the regional Health and Human Services offices when they learned that Sullivan was not overseas and in Washington after reportedly being told by his office that he was out of the country, a spokesman for the group said.

Sullivan's media office in Washington referred inquiries about the activities of the disabled group to the department's Atlanta offices, where a spokesman denied knowledge of the group being told Sullivan was out of town.

''We don't know where they got the information he was out of the country. We are not sure where he was. We don't keep up with his whereabouts,'' said the spokesman, Coy Short.

Short, however, said the regional offices were designated to handle the group's requests, and set up a meeting on Tuesday with the group's leaders, who never showed.

''We offered to meet with them to accept their proposals,'' Short said. ''We set up a time on Tuesday but they didn't call.''

The protesters Tuesday moved their demonstrations from Morehouse College to the offices of the Georgia Health Care Association to request backing from the organization that lobbies for nursing home interests.

About 200 handicapped activists blocked building entrances at the DeKalb County location and demanded a meeting with the association's executive director.

They left the site after administrators agreed to send a list of their demands to the headquarters of American Health Care Association in Washington D.C.

ADAPT, which formerly stood for American Disabled for Acceptable Public Transportation, occupied the Richard B. Russell building in 1989, forcing the Urban Mass Transit Administration to promise to push Congress for laws that would give the disabled better access to public transportation.

Demonstrators also chained themselves to Greyhound buses.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - Facing twin crises that will test and define his presidency, George Bush shrugged off the political pressures Wednesday of the threat of war in the Persian Gulf and a deficit-induced economic recession.

''Look, nobody said it would be easy,'' Bush said at a news conference. Asked whether his presidency is ''on the line,'' he noted that ''every once in a while the going gets a little tough,'' but, ''I don't feel embattled at all.''

Fielding questions from reporters for out-of-town news organizations, Bush spoke with gratitude of the broad support for his policy in the gulf and with passion of the need for a $500 billion deficit-reduction plan before Congress.

His comments also revealed a certain ''I told you so'' attitude toward critics and skeptics who have questioned the decisions left in the wake of his passage from honeymoon to hot seat in the 20 months he has been in office.

''I try not to sound egotistical, but we've been right on German unification '' he said as Germans rejoiced in the end of their postwar division. ''And yet I remember many people saying, 'It's impossible, the Soviets aren't going to permit a unified Germany to be in NATO, it isn't going to happen, you can't have a unified Germany before you have two peace treaties with Poland.''

In fact, Bush did not respond with emotional fervor last year at the early events that in a matter of weeks snowballed into the unification juggernaut. On Wednesday, however, the re-emergence of a single, strong Germany was trumpeted as a dramatic vindication of his repeated talk over the last year of a ''Europe whole and free.''

For a politician previously accused of lacking vision, it smacked of special significance. But Bush, riding high in the polls, denied thinking in political

terms, saying, ''The American people are entitled to something a little bit more broader-gauge than that.''

''I guess it's about as complicated a period as we've had since I've been president,'' he said, ''but I'm not looking at it in terms of re- election.''

Bush winced at a comparison to Jimmy Carter, who was voted out of office after being dogged by energy and hostage crises of his own, and indicated he would not allow his current problems to exact a heavy toll, at least for now.

''We've got two big things coming together now,'' he said. ''One is the deficit and one is this crisis halfway around the world. But I'm telling you honestly I don't look at it in terms of whether it's good for a Bush presidency or popular politically.''

In the confrontation with Iraq, Bush at times has exercised decisiveness with aplomb. Clearly more comfortable with foreign policy than domestic affairs, he has seemed invigorated by the challenge, as evidenced by the scores of telephone calls and meetings he has held with U.S. friends and allies since the onset of the crisis two months ago.

Bush has been less aggressive in the budget debacle. Though he has spoken frequently in recent days of the need for assertive leadership, whatever the political costs, it was not until early summer that Bush and Congress began negotiating a fiscal fix to the deficit mess, their effort prolonged by stubborness on both sides, seen perhaps most vividly in Bush's down-to-the-wire cling to his call for a lower tax on capital gains.

Bush is counting on military intimidation and economic deprivation to force a retreat by Saddam Hussein and congressional approval of an unpopular budget compromise to reassure the financial markets and restore confidence in the economy.

Both are gambles that will determine the difference between war and peace, recession and prosperity. Try as he may to brush them aside as simply ''difficult times'' intrinsic to a tough job, Bush will not be able to ignore the political consequences of success or failure.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (OCT. 3) UPI - NATO held a special meeting Wednesday to mark German unification, a time of ''undiminished rejoicing,'' and thanked the Soviets for agreeing to a united Germany's membership in the alliance.

''Today we put nearly half a century of confrontation and frustration behind us,'' NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner told the 16 Western alliance ambassadors in a 30-minute session.

''This is a day of undiminished rejoicing, not only for the Germans but for the whole of our alliance,'' he said. ''We gratefully acknowledge the contribution and consent of the Soviet leadership and people.''

At a landmark July meeting in the Caucasus mountains, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev agreed to a united Germany's NATO membership. West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl in turn pledged to limit a united Germany's armed forces to 370,000 men.

The German ambassador to NATO, Hans von Ploetz, quoted from the late West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's first speech at NATO in 1955 that said his country was ''determined to strive, together with the other member states, for peace and freedom.''

There is no ''nationalistic frenzy'' in a united Germany, said Von Ploetz, but rather the German people accept ''our natural and legitimate unity in great sobriety and without any overweening emotions.''

The dean of NATO ambassadors, Italy's F. Paolo Fulci, said he was certain the united Germany ''will remain firmly anchored to our common Atlantic and European values and institutions.''

Woerner said the July summit of NATO leaders in London ''extended the hand of friendship to the Soviet Union'' and other countries of Eastern Europe that ''contributed decisively to the final lifting of Soviet objections to the full NATO membership of a united Germany.''

''The unification of Germany in conditions of peace, freedom and prosperity is a vindication of our perseverance and also of our values, which have proved infinitely more powerful than military force, ideology and repression,'' he said.

Woerner, a former West German defense minister, read his speech in English and French but ended with a personal wish of ''good luck'' to the German people in his native language.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - In an era when a multimillion-dollar jackpot can be claimed at the end of a lawsuit, the Supreme Court was asked Wednesday to set limits on the amount of punitive damages that a jury can award.

At issue is whether such awards, which have become commonplace since the 1970s violate the clause of the Constitution that promises all people - including those who get sued - due process.

In many states, juries have nearly total discretion to assess punitive damage awards, meant to deter and punish wrongdoers above and beyond the actual damages involved in the case. Opponents contend an expressed limit on what a jury can award should be established.

But others claim the threat of an extremely large punitive damage settlement serves to police corporations and dissuade them from engaging in practices that could endanger consumers.

The court heard arguments in a case involving a 1981 insurance fraud scheme in Roosevelt City, Ala.

City employees bought life and health insurance in group policies from Lemmie Ruffin, an employee of Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Co.

Pacific Mutual did not issue group health policies for cities, so Ruffin secured health insurance through another company, Union Fidelity. But health insurance deductions from Roosevelt City employees' paychecks never went to the insurance company - Ruffin pocketed the money.

Coverage for the city was canceled and when worker Cleopatra Haslip was hospitalized for kidney treatment, she learned she had no health insurance. Stuck with bills of more than $3,800, more than half her annual take home pay, she was sued and became the target of collection agencies.

Haslip and other city employees sued Pacific Mutual in May 1982 and a jury found Pacific Mutual liable for the actions of its employee, Ruffin. The jury awarded more that $1 million in damages to the city employees.

The Alabama Supreme Court upheld the award in a 5-2 decision, with the two dissenting judges claiming the award violated due process.

In past rulings, the Supreme Court has said such jury awards were not prohibited by the Eighth Amendment provision against excessive fines, but left open the possibility excessive fines could violate another section of the Constitution - the due process clause of the 14th Amendment.

A ruling by the high court is not expected before next year.

Bruce Beckman, an attorney for Pacific Mutual, told the court Wednesday the ''open-ended standardless discretion'' of the jury in setting punitive damage figures violates due process - a guarantee that the legal system will operate in an equitable and predictable manner for all parties.

Beckman said punitive damage awards as such are not necessarily illegal, but argued there should be a cap and some established standard so the amount has a relationship to actual damages.

''All it (the jury) had to go on was its own notion of right and wrong,'' Beckman said. ''(That's) exactly the arbitrary and discriminatory enforcement that due process condemns.''

But Bruce Ennis, an attorney for Haslip and other Roosevelt City workers, said instructing a jury that an award should not be ''excessive'' is all that is needed to ensure due process. He also noted that Alabama has judicial review of punitive damage awards, which serves as an additional safeguard.

Ennis asked the court not to set limits on punitive damage awards unless it determines that a majority of such awards are excessive and that states do not have the ability through legislative measures to set their own guidelines.

For the third day of the court's new term, arguments were held with only eight justices. David Souter, confirmed by the Senate Tuesday to replace retired Justice William Brennan, is scheduled to take the oath as an associate justice next Tuesday.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - As congressional leaders and President Bush try to push their budget agreement through the House and Senate, officials in some states are worrying that the pact could add to their own fiscal woes.

However, even as they fear that added federal taxes on items such as gasoline could cut down on consumer spending and hurt state tax revenues, many also are hopeful the spending blueprint could help their states over the long haul by averting a major national economic downturn.

Most state officials contacted by United Press International since the budget agreement was reached last weekend said since Congress has not yet passed a final plan, it is still too early to tell precisely what will happen in their states.

However, many were still able to make some generalizations and predicted that state revenues from gasoline and alcohol will drop because the higher federal taxes would probably discourage consumers from spending.

Randy Erben, the director of the state of Texas' lobbying office in Washington stressed the higher gasoline taxes will be especially tough on his state because of its size.

''Texans just drive a lot more than other people because we have a lot more state to cover, so a 5-cent increase in the gas tax will add up quickly. And I think we can expect it will reduce the state's share of tax revenues, because as the price goes up, people will use less,'' he said.

''The federal government is once again invading and eroding the tax territory of the states,'' said Texas Comptroller Bob Bullock. ''It may make the bottom line look better in Washington, but it only puts us further in the hole in Texas because we depend on these consumption taxes more than the federal government does.''

Some of those same fears are shared by officials in Minnesota, but officials there said they hope their losses will be offset by tax gains coming from new limits on income tax deductions used by the wealthy.

''We could lose some money on highway and alcohol taxes, but we have a potential gain on the limitation for itemized deductions,'' said John Tomlinson, assistant commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Revenue.

In Maryland, state officials prepared for a pinch from the pact, but said they are pleased that massive layoffs from the federal workforce were avoided - a prospect that would have especially hurt the state because of its closeness to Washington, D.C.

While many state officials across the country feared parts of the agreement could hurt, others focused on the long-term benefits.

Minnesota Finance Commissioner Peter Hutchinson said Minnesotans should not look too hard at the individual effects of each component of the budget proposal.

''It's real easy to get into the individual pieces,'' said Minnesota Finance Commissioner Peter Hutchinson. ''What happens to the economy is a much bigger impact than any of those pieces. Our biggest worry was the effect of a non-resolution on interest rates. High rates result in a weaker economy, and we've already got a weak economy.''

''To the extent that the budget negotiations in Washington significantly close the federal budget deficit, it will help the national economy and the state economy over time,'' added David Wood, acting director of the Illinois Bureau of the Budget. ''Overall, the budget plans do limit our flexibility, but that is offset by getting the federal deficit under control.''

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AMMAN, Jordan (OCT. 3) UPI - A senior aide to Mikhail Gorbachev met Jordan's King Hussein Wednesday on a ''special mission'' to the Middle East that was also to take him to Baghdad at the Soviet president's request.

Yevgeny Primakov, a member of Gorbachev's President Council and a ranking Soviet expert on the Middle East, delivered a message from Gorbachev on the Persian Gulf crisis to King Hussein and was also believed to be carrying a

message for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Details of the messages were not released.

''In the course of the conversation, the two men expressed anxiety over the danger of armed clashes in the Gulf and stressed the need for a political settlement of the situation,'' the official Soviet news agency Tass said of Primakov's meeting with the king.

The four-man Soviet delegation was expected to fly to Baghdad Thursday for a meeting with Saddam. A Soviet diplomat in Amman, who requested anonymity, said Primakov was likely carrying a message from Gorbachev to the Iraqi leader.

''There must be a message if Primakov was assigned by the president to go meet the president of Iraq,'' the diplomat said.

French President Francois Mitterrand meanwhile left Wednesday to make a surprise visit to the Persian Gulf to review French troops and meet with officials in Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.

In Moscow, the official Soviet news agency Tass said Primakov ''is fulfilling a special mission of the head of the Soviet state,'' Gorbachev.

Yuri Gremitskykh, a spokesman for the Foreign Ministry, said Primakov flew to Amman and would go to Baghdad either later Wednesday or more likely on Thursday.

Primakov began his trip a day after Gremitskykh expressed concern for Soviet workers in Iraq and said the Baghdad government has delayed action on exit permits for them.

The official Soviet news agency Tass said he would meet in Amman with King Hussein and with Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat.

Tass provided few details of the journey by Primakov, a leading Middle East expert who formerly headed the Soviet Academy of Science's Institute of Oriental Studies.

''It is a mysterious mission, believe me,'' said a Western source who knows Primakov personally.

Moscow has supported eight U.N. resolutions against Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait, while maintaining contacts with its traditional Arab allies in a possible mediating role.

The source said Primakov, a former Cairo correspondent for the Soviet Communist Party newspaper Pravda, speaks Arabic and is ''the best man on the top level to deal with the Arabs.''

In an interview published Wednesday in the Literaturnaya Gazeta newspaper, Primakov said: ''However dangerous the gulf crisis may be in itself and however important it is to settle it, I think we should proceed from the fact that it offers a kind of laboratory for testing our efforts to create a new world order after the Cold War.''

It was not known whether there was any link between Mitterrand's reported journey and the mission by Primakov, neither of which had been announced in advance.

But amid recent signs of an easing of tension in the 2-month-old crisis, the two trips could indicate new diplomatic efforts to resolve the conflict in which Iraqi troops in Kuwait are faced off against a Saudi-based international force dominated by U.S. soldiers.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze told the Pravda newspaper that he and President Bush had discussed the crisis Monday when Bush was in New York to address the U.N. General Assembly.

''Both the U.S. administration and we believe that there are now chances for a peaceful resolution of the conflict,'' Shevardnadze said. ''We are prepared to act jointly to achieve a peaceful settlement of the crisis.''

France, partly because of its historic ties to the Arab countries of northern Africa, has long claimed a special relationship with the Arab world, and Mitterrand last week proposed a plan for settling the crisis, which would link the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait to Israel's presence in the occupied territories.

Gremitskykh said Tuesday ''a considerable number of Soviet citizens found themselves stranded after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.''

Iraqi authorities have for a week withheld permission to leave the country for 870 Soviets working on an oil project in southern Iraq and 372 Soviets building a thermal power station outside Baghdad, Gremitskykh said.

Moscow previously maintained its specialists working in Iraq were fulfilling their contracts and were free to leave when they wished.

Iraq's invasion of Kuwait has seriously harmed its relationship with the Soviet Union, which had long been a close ally and its major arms supplier.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - With a German military band playing the national anthem and a Bonn official apologizing for Adolf Hitler's crimes, President

Bush hosted a Rose Garden ceremony marking Wednesday's reunification of Germany.

''Today begins a new chapter in the history'' of Germany, Bush told a gathering of Germans and German-Americans celebrating the rebirth of the long-divided nation.

''Forty-five years of conflict and confrontation between East and West are now behind us,'' said Bush. ''At long last the day has come. Germany is united. Germany is fully free.''

Flanked by Juergen Ruhfus, the German ambassador to the United States, Bush signed a proclamation declaring Wednesday to be German- American Day.

In it, the president said, ''Today Germany is at peace with its neighors and, on this day of Germany unity, at peace with itself.''

Ruhfus thanked the United States for helping reunify Germany - a nation divided after being defeated in World War II - and for helping obtain full membership for the new Germany in NATO.

''To us Germans, this year's Oct. 3 is a day of rejoicing, a day of reflection and a day of gratitude,'' the ambassador said.

Referring to World War II, he said, ''We shall not forget the endless of suffering that was brought upon the nations of Europe and the world in the name of Germany.''

''We recall especially the untold suffering inflicted upon the Jewish people '' an estimated 6 million of whom were killed by the Nazis during the Holocaust.

''We Germans are united in our determination that none of this must ever be allowed to happen again,'' Ruhfus said.

Bush declined an invitation to go to Germany for the reunification ceremony, saying he did not want to distract attention from an emotional national event.

But in a taped message broadcast on German television, Bush said, ''America is proud to count itself among the friends and allies of free Germany, now and in the future.''

At the opening of the Rose Garden ceremony, a German military band played the national anthems of both the United States and of Germany.

Earlier Wednesday, Bush telephoned German Chancellor Helmut Kohl to offer his ''heartiest congratulations'' on the reunification.

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 3) UPI - The Soviet-American talks on reducing conventional forces edged toward a U.S.-imposed deadline Wednesday with an agreement close but not nailed down.

Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze met at the Soviet mission to the United Nations for the third time in a week, with arms control at the head of their unfinished agendas.

The United States has said an agreement on conventional force reductions is a prerequisite for President Bush to attend the 35-nation CSCE summit in Paris in mid-November.

As he arrived for the meeting, Baker said, ''We're talking about a Conference on Cooperation and Security in Europe that is six weeks away.''

The chief U.S. negotiator, Ambassador James Woolsey, has said that if there is not full agreement by early October there will not be enough time to finish the detail and legal work on a treaty before the CSCE summit.

Baker said late Tuesday the issue of how to limit and count combat aircraft has not been settled and there are differences on how many troops will be permitted in specified zones in Central Europe.

Baker is to leave New York late Wednesday and Shevardnadze will leave Thursday so their meeting Wednesday at the Soviet mission was crucial.

Both sides have said the main issues are settled in the complex treaty that would cut troops, planes, armored vehicles and artillery in Europe.

Shevardndaze said the remaining issues ''have to be closed out tonight if we want the Paris summit to be held.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - The sister-in-law of a Utah family being mugged on a midtown Manhattan subway platform ran to a youth for help but was horrified when he turned out to be the gang's lookout and grabbed her, a prosecutor said Wednesday.

In the next seconds, Brian Watkins, 22, was fatally stabbed as he tried to defend his mother, who was punched in the face, and father, who was slashed with a box-cutter, and robbed of $200.

Eight youths indicted for robbery and felony murder in his killing on Sept. 2

were held without bail Wednesday after a hearing in state Supreme Court in Manhattan. The attorney for the accused killer of Watkins, Yull Garry Morales 19, told the judge that Morales should be treated leniently because he is one of the few members of the gang, whose initials ''FTS'' stand for a string of expletives, who has never been arrested before.

''He's a virgin in the criminal justice system,'' Joel Lutwin said.

The judge denied the request.

In his bail arguments to Judge Edwin Torres, Assistant District Attorney Thomas Schiels said he had a strong case against the youths, particularly against Pascal Charpentier, 18.

Schiels revealed that the youth allegedly prevented Michelle Watkins, wife of Brian's brother Todd, from escaping the platform and seeking help.

Unknown to her, Charpentier was acting as the lookout for the gang that set out to rob people for money to go disco dancing at nearby Roseland Ballroom.

''While the robbery was taking place, while the knives were out, while the Watkins parents were being cut'' the young woman ran to the youth for help, Schiels said.

''He held her so that she could not run for help,'' Schiels said.

Schiels also revealed the grand jury that indicted Morales, 19, outwardly scoffed at his claim that Watkins fell on the ''butterfly knife'' and thereby caused his own death.

''Morales in his videotaped statement gave a story so preposterous that when the grand jury heard it, they actually laughed,'' Schiels said.

''He said he was separated from the others, saw them in a fight with individuals and took a knife out to scare them. He had the knife by his side, the knife was pointed toward the ground and one of these individuals fell on his knife and died,'' Schiels told the judge.

Outside court Lutwin, told reporters, ''We'll see who has the last laugh at the trial.''

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(OCT. 3) UPI - Iraq reportedly is offering to free all French hostages it holds- if a top official from the French government goes to Baghdad. That word is carried out of the country by the chairman of a French-Iraqi friendship association as nine French citizens freed by Iraq arrive in Jordan. French

President Mitterrand... who has offered to mediate a peaceful solution to the crisis... is flying to the area today. He will visit units of the French military already dispatched to the region.

The political barriers that once separated Germany have fallen as easily as the once hated Wall that divided the country... and today there is just one Germany to report about. Celebrations that continued through the night have ended, and the real job now begins. The first all-German elections are scheduled for December 2nd, and the latest polls show that Chancellor Kohl and his Christian Democrats will be easy winners.

A powerboat racing accident off the coast of Monaco has claimed the life of Stefano Casiraghi, the Italian husband of Princess Caroline. Witnesses say he was aboard a racing catamaran when it turned into a large wave at full speed during a world championship race. His teammate was rescued, but Casiraghi reportedly was trapped in his seat under the capsized boat.

Disabled activists meeting in Atlanta are pushing their quest for federal money that will let them remain in their homes instead of being institutionalized. They are demanding that Health and Human Services head Louis Sullivan talk with them on the telephone. The group wants 25 percent of Medicaid's 17-point-five-BILLION-dollar nursing home budget set aside to provide for home care for the disabled.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 3) UPI - A homemade bomb exploded outside the residence of U.S. Ambassador William Swing in Pretoria early Wednesday, causing slight damage but no injuries, the U.S. Embassy and police reported.

No one claimed responsibility for the blast, an embassy spokesman said. Foreign Minister Roelof ''Pik'' Botha expressed his ''deep concern'' in a statement and noted Pretoria ''condemns acts of terrorism of this nature in the strongest terms and expresses its regret that the United States should have been the victim of such an act.''

It was the first such incident involving the U.S. ambassador in South Africa and occurred just a week after President Frederik de Klerk returned from talks in Washington with President Bush, who endorsed his racial reforms.

The embassy reported that a ''small explosive device was detonated'' about 1 a.m. outside the rear metal gate that leads to a recreation center inside the ambassador's compound in the exclusive Pretoria suburb of Waterkloof Ridge.

The sound of the blast was heard over a wide area and awakened a number of people in the suburb, including Swing, and caused slight damage to the gate and a garden shed, U.S. sources and police said.

Police Lt. Leon Engelbrecht in Pretoria said the bomb was ''a homemade device, it was definitely not a manufactured device.'' He said an investigation was under way.

News of the blast came as a black-consciousness, anti-apartheid movement Wednesday rejected a government invitation to join the negotiations aimed at ending 42 years of white minority rule.

Gerry Mosala, president of the Azanian People's Organization, told reporters the movement demanded that discussions concentrate on creating a non-racial constitution - implicitly criticizing the African National Congress for acceding to preliminary talks intended only to clear the way for substantive negotiations.

AZAPO claims the allegiance of black intellectuals and a national following of tens of thousands but is regarded as a junior partner to the ANC and other black opposition groups.

''We make a distinction between ... discussions aimed at producing a new constitution for a new society and talks aimed at enlisting the participation of liberation movements in the removal of measures that keep black people in prison and under legal political and socio- economic conditions of suppression and exploitation,'' Mosala said.

He said AZAPO ''remains committed'' to talks on a non-racial constituent assembly and would not be ''coopted in any other talks.''

The other major exclusively black alliance and rival to the ANC, the Pan-Africanist Congress, on Sept. 23 postponed a decision on participating in talks after President Frederik de Klerk urged it and AZAPO to join the process.

The ANC and the government have in two preliminary meetings cleared the way for full-blown power-sharing negotiations on ending white rule. The ANC on Aug. 6, after the second round of talks, abandoned its 29- year-old armed struggle against white rule in exchange for promises of an acceleration in de Klerk's racial reforms launched February.

But black-consciousness groups have criticized the ANC for what they charge are major concessions in response to relatively minor adjustments to apartheid and also the ANC's willingness to have whites as members on every level.

De Klerk legalized the ANC and PAC after 30 years and lifted two years of restrictions on AZAPO at the start of his reforms Feb. 2.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - The federal deposit insurance system can be bolstered through strengthening supervision, increasing bank capital and reducing risk faced by banks in an increasingly competitive market, banking regulators said Wednesday.

''A healthy deposit insurance system depends ultimately on the existence of a healthy banking system,'' L. William Seidman, chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., told the House Subcommittee on Commerce, Consumer and Monetary Affairs.

Any reform of the deposit insurance system, which is the focus of an ongoing study by a host of government agencies, should focus on streamlining laws governing banking practices that no longer apply in today's more competitive market, Seidman said.

''The essence of prudent banking is to avoid making bad loans and investments '' he said. ''Unfortunately, all the rules and regulations in the world are not going to prevent bankers from making unwise lending and investment decisions.''

Seidman also called for the reform of ''the antiquated legal structure burdening the financial industry in general and the banking industry in particular.''

The three primary obstacles standing in the way of a competitive banking industry are the Glass Steagall Act, the Bank Holding Company Act and the geographic barriers to bank expansion, he said.

''Substantial benefits would accrue from eliminating the current ownership and activity restrictions imposed by these laws,'' he said.

Easing geographic restrictions would lower bank risk through diversification and allow banks to expand operations to match expansions in regional markets.

''These archaic geographic restrictions will become even more unpalatable in the near future as the European Community eliminates restrictions on branch banking,'' Seidman said referring to the 1992 integration of the European common market.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan told the panel the eroded influence of U.S. banks in global financial markets can be shored up somewhat by allowing banks to participate in a wider array of activities and expanding their geographic reach.

He also called for greater discipline among depositors who have become ''relatively indifferent'' to the soundness of the financial institutions holding their deposits.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - The federal deposit insurance system can be bolstered through strengthening supervision, increasing bank capital and reducing risk faced by banks in an increasingly competitive market, banking regulators said Wednesday.

''A healthy deposit insurance system depends ultimately on the existence of a healthy banking system,'' L. William Seidman, chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., told the House Subcommittee on Commerce, Consumer and Monetary Affairs.

Any reform of the deposit insurance system, which is the focus of a continuing study by a host of government agencies, should focus on streamlining laws governing banking practices that no longer apply in today's more competitive market, Seidman said.

''The essence of prudent banking is to avoid making bad loans and investments '' he said. ''Unfortunately, all the rules and regulations in the world are not going to prevent bankers from making unwise lending and investment decisions.''

Seidman also called for the reform of ''the antiquated legal structure burdening the financial industry in general and the banking industry in particular.''

The three primary obstacles standing in the way of a competitive banking industry are the Glass Steagall Act, the Bank Holding Company Act and the geographic barriers to bank expansion, he said.

''Substantial benefits would accrue from eliminating the current ownership and activity restrictions imposed by these laws,'' he said.

Easing geographic restrictions would lower bank risk through diversification and allow banks to expand operations to match expansions in regional markets.

''These archaic geographic restrictions will become even more unpalatable in the near future as the European Community eliminates restrictions on branch banking,'' Seidman said referring to the 1992 integration of the European common market.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - The Commerce Department says American factory orders advanced one- point-eight percent in August, to 244-point-six-BILLION dollars... largely because of an increase in petroleum refining costs. Excluding petroleum, factory orders were up only six-tenths of one percent in August. There also were increases- though NOT as sizeable- in orders for military hardware, from ships and tanks to aircraft and missiles. Private analysts concerned about the latest Middle East crisis had predicted a decline in August factory orders.

A Confederate battle flag was stolen from atop the dome of the Alabama State Capitol in Montgomery before dawn today. The U-S and Alabama flags were left flying. Several radio stations in the city received calls from a man who said he represented an unknown group called the Justice League. He said the group took the flag to try to bring whites and blacks together. Governor Guy Hunt ordered the Confederate flag replaced, and a new one was raised a short time later. .

The Confederate battle flag was the object of a major controversy two years ago. At that time, more than one dozen black legislators were arrested while trying to climb a fence around the Capitol and carry out a threat to remove the flag. The legislators were given small fines, but NO jail time. The Confederate flag has flown over the Capitol since the mid 1960's, when it was raised as part of a Civil War centennial.

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PARIS (OCT. 3) UPI - France said Wednesday it was sending eight Mirage jet fighters to Qatar and President Francois Mitterrand began a surprise visit to the Persian Gulf to review French troops deployed last weekend in Saudi Arabia.

The airplanes will also be available to defend the neighboring United Arab

Emirates if that country asks for it, according to a French Defense Ministry statement.

France and Qatar agreed in principle Sept. 23 that French combat planes could be sent to the air base at Doha to help defend the emirate. Defense Ministry officials said eight Mirage F1 C jet fighters were sent.

Paris is also sending 24 Mirage 2000 bombers, Mirage F1 CR fighters and Jaguar bombers to Saudi Arabia this week.

In Amman, Gilles Munier, chairman of the French-Iraqi friendship association, told reporters that when he was in Baghdad the Iraqi government told him it ''was willing to release all (French) hostages if a top official from the (French) government or opposition goes to Iraq.''

The suddenness of Mitterrand's visit and the remarks by Munier led to speculation France might be quietly negotiating to end the Persian Gulf crisis caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2, or for the release of French hostages, possibly by sending French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas or Jean-Pierre Chevenement to Iraq.

Last week Dumas denied that France was negotiating with Iraq and said there were only normal diplomatic countacts between the two countries.

Paris estimates that 350 Frenchmen are being held against their will in Iraq and Kuwait by Iraqi authorities.

Mitterrand flew aboard a special Air France jetliner for Abu Dhabi, where he was to meet with the president of the federation, Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al Nahyan, the Elysee Palace said.

Mitterrand is to confer Thursday on board the French frigate Dupleix with commanders of the 13,000 French troops and 14 ships in the region, the Elysee said.

Later Thursday the president will travel to Saudi Arabia for an audience with King Fahd, then to the Red Sea port of Yanbu to see the 4, 000 French Foreign legionnaires and other troops.

France sent the troops in response to Iraq's violation of the French ambassador's residence at Kuwait City on Sept. 14 and the seizure of three French citizens who had taken shelter there.

Political experts said Mitterrand apparently wanted to boost his popularity at home by beating President Bush and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher as the first major Western leader to visit the gulf region since the invasion triggered deployment of a U.S.-led multi- national force in the gulf area.

Mitterrand's position on the crisis differs from that of the United States and Britain, refelecting France's long ties with the Arab world and Iraq in particular.

Mitterrand proposed a peace plan to the U.N. General Assembly last week that called for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to state an ''intention'' to withdraw from Kuwait with a possibility of free elections in the emirate after the actual withdrawal.

Bush, on the other hand, has demanded Iraq withdraw from Kuwait before any negotiations.

Mitterrand was accompanied by Dumas and Chevenement. Chevenement, who government hardliners say has been too lenient with Iraq, survived a cabinet re-shuffle Tuesday night by Mitterrand and Prime Minister Michel Rocard.

France has about 300 helicopter specialists and paratroops based at Abu Dhabi helping train the defense forces of the federation in the southern gulf.

French arms suppliers regard the small French force in the UAE, far from the frontiers with Iraq, as a useful chance to bolster sales in a country that traditionally has been supplied by Britain.

Nine French citizens released by Iraqi citizens left Baghdad Wednesday for Amman en route home after an appeal by Munier.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 3) UPI - An autopsy was expected to show whether an elderly man suffered a heart attack before his luxury car sped out of control, leaving four dead and four injured in the city's worst traffic accident in 35 years, police said Wednesday.

Police Inspector Tim Smith said the driver, George Smith, 91, had been treated for a heart condition, and witnesses said he appeared stiff and rigid as his car plunged down a steep hill and into a series of smashups in the commerical heart of the Noe Valley district.

Killed in the late Tuesday mishap were Smith and Dolores Keane, 52, both of San Francisco, a coroner's spokeswoman said. The names of two children who died trapped in a car that burst into flames were withheld pending notification of relatives, she said.

Ha Thuy Fechter, 39, driver of the burned car was listed in very critical condition at San Francisco General Hospital with third-degree burns over 70 to 80 percent of her body, spokeswoman Gloria Rodriguez said.

Another victim, Yun Liu, 27, was listed in fair condition with head lacertions and signs of internal bleeding.

Two other victims, Deborah Morgan, 36, and Teresa Garduno, 29, were treated at the hospital and released, Rodriguez said.

Witnesses said the Smith's late model Cadillac suddenly lurched forward at the top of Noe Street and careened down the hill, smashing into seven other cars until it finally flipped over on its top. All the damage in the 4:30 p.m. mishap was confined to a one-block area, between the interesections of 24th and Jersey streets, police Lt. Thomas Muldeen said.

The Cadillac was ''gunning,'' said Vanessa Santarsiero, who witnessed the series of crashes. ''You could hear the engine really going. He hit the middle of the street and he absolutely flew across the intersection.''

The runaway car first hit a moving vehicle from the rear, fatally injuring Keane. It then collided with a car driven by Liu. As the Cadillac crashed on it smashed into a vehicle driven by Fechter, which burst into flames.

Two children, a 9-year-old girl and a 2-year-old boy who officials say Fechter may have been babysitting, died in the burning vehicle despite the desperate efforts of witnesses to save them.

''It was a total nightmare,'' said Bill Krauss, 32, who rushed to the burning car and tried to open the jammed door. ''I heard the kids screaming, 'Help me! Help me!' The flames were at that point engulfing the car. I thought the car was going to explode so I got back and the screams stopped.''

Firemen from a nearby station house were on the scene within a minute and half but it was too late, Battalion Chief John Rebholtz of the city fire department said.

''The car must have literally exploded. It was completely engulfed, a full gasoline fire with the tires burning, smoking pouring out. It was just too late. It was over. The kids never had a chance,'' Rebholtz said.

Police Lt. Bruce Lorin said the tragedy was the city's worst traffic accident since May 1955, when the driver of a moving van lost his brakes on the Clay Street hill and plunged into an intersection, killing himself and six pedestrians.

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MONTE CARLO, MONACO (OCT. 3) UPI - Stefano Casiraghi, the 30-year-old Italian husband of Princess Caroline of Monaco, died in a speed boat accident Wednesday during a world championship trial race off the coast of Monaco.

The accident came a day after Casiraghi, the reigning world champion in offshore powerboat racing, reportedly had helped rescue the crew of a competing boat that caught fire during the first event of the championship Monday.

''Monsieur Stefano Casiraghi, husband of Her Serene Highness Princess Caroline of Monaco, has died this morning while taking part on his boat in a trial counting for the offshore world championship,'' said a brief statement from the palace.

''His teammate, Monsieur Patrice Innocenti, was taken to the Princess Grace of Monaco Hospital Center'' in the tiny Mediterranean principality, it said.

Princess Caroline was believed to be in Paris when the accident took place during the second leg of the race.

It was the second tragedy in eight years for the royal family. Princess Grace, the 52-year-old wife of Prince Rainier and mother of Caroline, died in a car crash on Sept. 14, 1982. The former American movie star once known as Grace Kelly was driving with Caroline's sister, Stephanie, when she suffered a stroke and her car went off the road.

Witnesses of Wednesday's accident said the twin-hulled raceboat Pinot di Pinot carrying Casiraghi, 30, overturned when it steered into a large wave at full speed at a point near Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat. The boat, reported traveling at about 100 mph, was about 6 miles from the Monte Carlo start, heading for Nice.

Rescue efforts were mounted immediately. Casiraghi's French teammate Innocenti who was at the helm, was thrown clear and rescued with a reported leg injury. But witnesses said Casiraghi remained trapped in his seat under the capsized 42-foot-long, 5-ton boat.

Casiraghi ''certainly did not have time to see what was coming and, at that speed, remaining trapped under the boat, must have been killed instantly,'' said Michel Karsenti, a French competitor who was following Casiraghi's boat in the race.

Casiraghi's body was recovered and taken to a mortuary next to the Princess Grace Hospital.

Weather conditions were described by organizers as ''normal'' when the catamaran - equipped with two 800 horsepower motors - overturned. But Italy's ANSA news agency said there was a gale force headwind blowing at the time.

The Italian news agency ANSA said that on Monday, Casiraghi's vessel had rescued the crew of a competing boat that caught fire.

Casiraghi took up power boat racing in 1984, later winning 12 times in 80 races. In 1989 he won the world title at Atlantic City.

The last such serious power boat accident happened in 1987, when French pilot Didier Pironi died during the Needles Trophy off the English coast.

Casiraghi, Caroline's second husband and three years her junior, married the princess on Dec. 29, 1983, in a simple civil ceremony in the royal palace in Monte Carlo. Caroline was three month's pregnant at the wedding and gave birth to son Andrea on June 9, 1984. Two other children followed, daughter Charlotte in 1986 and son Pierre in 1987.

The wedding was not recognized by the Roman Catholic Church because of Caroline's divorce from Phillipe Junot, the French playboy to whom she was married form 1978 to 1980. The church never acted on Caroline's request to annul the marriage to Junot, who was 17 years older than Caroline.

Casiraghi had an adventurous streak. In addition to racing speed boats, he and Caroline competed in the grueling 8,700-mile Paris-to- Dakar, Senegal road race in 1985. They had to drop out after two days in the Algerian desert because their vehicle crashed. Some media reports said Casiraghi was driving but Caroline said another member of their crew was at the wheel.

Casiraghi also was caught up in a controversy in 1986 when friends and relatives of Italian soldiers protested a decision to allow him to avoid the military draft. In 1983 Casiraghi had claimed he was unfit for service because a genital tumor had left him temporarily impotent.

Casiraghi was born Sept. 8, 1960, to a family of wealthy northern Italian industrialists in the Lombardy region near Milan. He studied business management at Milan's Bocconi University and started work at age 20 in his father's central heating business.

Casiraghi later founded a real estate company of his own and an Italian import-export industry.

Once described by an Italian newspaper as ''blonde, handsome and amiable looking,'' Casiraghi had a reputation for spending much time in expensive Milan night clubs in his early youth. But friends said he evidently settled down to become a family man after he married Caroline.

Although Casiraghi had commercial interests with his family in Milan, he moved his export-import business to Monte Carlo after the marriage and the two lived in Caroline's villa near the palace on a high cliff jutting over the sea.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 3) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	79.85	80.22	79.65	79.92	79.92
Dec	77.05	77.45	76.62	76.85	77.00
Feb	75.10	75.62	74.97	75.35	75.05
Apr	75.67	76.35	75.62	76.02	75.72
Jun	73.10	73.75	73.10	73.45	73.15
Aug	71.65	72.15	71.65	71.80	71.60
Oct	71.90	72.25	71.90	71.95	71.75

Est. sales 17,697 contracts; Tuesday 14,029; open interest 68,526 up 1,249.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	87.70	88.25	87.42	87.75	87.82
Nov	86.80	87.50	86.45	86.87	86.77
Jan	85.75	86.35	85.52	86.07	85.82
Mar	83.47	84.10	83.30	83.47	83.37
Apr	82.60	83.35	82.60	83.20	82.60
May	82.00	82.85	81.90	82.05	81.77

Est. sales 1,472 contracts; Tuesday 1,517; open interest 10,725 up 70.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	56.20	57.07	55.90	56.60	56.20
Dec	54.70	55.95	54.35	55.67	54.67
Feb	52.22	53.05	51.92	52.77	52.22
Apr	48.37	49.25	48.35	49.15	48.57
Jun	51.55	52.80	51.50	52.35	51.67
Jly	52.00	52.65	51.95	52.50	52.20
Aug	50.00	50.80	50.00	50.75	50.40
Oct	46.05	46.10	46.05	46.10	46.10

Est. sales 11,072 contracts; Tuesday 11,482; open interest 26,311 up 580.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	64.20	64.20	63.70	64.20	62.20
Mar	64.07	64.07	63.57	64.07	62.07
May	64.10	64.67	63.40	64.67	62.67
Jly	64.00	64.52	63.20	64.45	62.52
Aug	62.50	62.50	62.00	62.50	60.50

Est. sales 2,190 contracts; Tuesday 354; open interest 5,497 off 41.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 124.79 up 47 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 124.04 up 21 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 116.96 down 33 cents, 700-850 lbs. 116.16 down 27 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins were not well established; Boston butts mostly 1.00 higher; skinned hams 2.00 to 3.00 higher; seedless bellies 4.00 higher; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 124.00, 18-22 lbs. 120.00; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 85.50-86.00; hams 14-17 lbs. 110.00, 17-20 lbs. 105.00, 20-26 lbs. 104.00-105.00, 26-32 lbs. 96.00; bellies 12-14 lbs. 78.00, 14-16 lbs. 74.00-78.00, 16-18 lbs. 70.00.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Modern dance pioneer Martha Graham is defying her 96 years with a totally delightful new ragtime romp choreographed to the music of one of Scott Joplin's classics.

The Martha Graham Dance Company opened a week's engagement Tuesday at the City Center Theater with a program of vintage Graham numbers capped by the world premiere of ''Maple Leaf Rag.'' It proved to be Graham's most joyous work in years and the first in which she satirizes her own dance idiosyncracies.

The first performance of Graham's 180th ballet to date was enthusiastically received by the audience which leaped to its feet when Miss Graham, a frail, diminutive figure in a lipstick red gown, appeared with the cast to take a bow alongside fashion designer Calvin Klein.

Klein has stepped into the shoes of the late Halston as a Graham benefactor, designing and contributing the ''Maple Leaf Rag'' costumes. He played host and toastmaster at a post-performance dinner dance at the Hotel Plaza for which Bianca Jagger was chairwoman and hotel owner Donald Trump was the self-appointed greeter.

Graham said recently that she used Joplin's ''Maple Leaf Rag'' as a cheerer-upper back in the 1920s and 1930s, asking her onetime pianist-composer Louis Horst to play it whenever ''I was in a fog about what I was trying to create.''

''He'd play it and I just lay on the floor and waited to cheer up. It never failed,'' she said.

The dance starts with dancer Terese Capucilli reclining dejectedly on an antique joggle board, the bare stage's only furnishing. Graham's recorded voice asks the onstage pianist, ''Louis, play me the 'Maple Street Rag'.''

The joggle board is very important to the 13-minute work, serving as a supple seat, jumping off point and gym horse for acrobatics for the 24 dancers.

It is a springy stretch of lumber supported by sawhorse legs on rockers that Graham noticed on the piazza of a Charleston, S.C., house when the company was performing at the Spoleto Festival USA this summer.

She knew immediately that it would work for ''Maple Leaf Rag,'' adding interest as well as well as its own humorous movement.

Although there are references to rag dancing and the cakewalk in ''Maple Leaf Rag,'' the choreography is mainly a compendium of Graham's dance vocabulary expressing delight, joy, euphoria, celebration and playfulness.

Skipping and running movements with arms outstretched or waved aloft are used repeatedly in a variety of group patterns alternating with duet passages by paired dancers.

At midpoint, five anguished women dancers rush across the stage several times using breast-beating gestures in a hilarious spoof of the agonizing that is very much the hallmark of Graham's serious mythic and Freudian repertory. The audience got the message and laughed delightedly.

''I didn't know if the dance would be funny but it was,'' Graham said after the performance. ''I intended part of it to be a satire on what I do.''

Klein has devised second skin unitards out of Japanese silk in lovely pastel shades ranging from blues and greens to roses and ochres. One girl whirls about the stage in a long-skirted gray silk gown to mark the beginning of each new phase of he choreography.

Floyd Flynn partners Capucilli with winning gusto. The entire corps turns in an inspired performance, a little more disciplined in concerted movement than in the ballet which precedes it, Graham's 1981 ''Ritual to the Sun,'' a majestically choreographed work danced in golden yellow costumes.

''Steps in the Street,'' a 1936 dance inspired by Great Depression street scenes, and ''Errand into the Maze,'' a 1947 work that retells the Cretan myth of the bull labyrinth, completed the opening night program. Also being performed this week are such signatory Graham works as ''Acts of Light,'' ''Night Journey,'' and ''Seraphic Dialogue.''

This repertory, with possibly the addition of ''Maple Leaf Rag,'' will be taken to the Far East later this month for a tour beginning in Tokyo and Osaka Japan, and continuing to Seoul, Korea, Taipei, Taiwan, and Hong Kong. Performances in several European countries are planned later in the year.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 3) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev

Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	2.73	2.77	2.73	2.74 1/4	2.72 1/4
Mar	2.86 3/4	2.91	2.86 1/2	2.88 1/4	2.86 1/4
May	2.94	2.98 1/2	2.94	2.95 1/2	2.93 1/2
Jly	3.00 1/2	3.03 1/4	3.00 1/2	3.00 1/2	2.98 1/2
Sep	3.07 1/2	3.07 1/2	3.05	3.05	3.03 1/2
Dec	3.16	3.16	3.15 1/2	3.15 1/2	3.12 1/2

Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	2.27	2.32	2.26 1/4	2.29	2.25 1/4
Mar	2.35 3/4	2.41	2.35 3/4	2.38 1/2	2.34 3/4
May	2.41 1/2	2.46 1/2	2.41 1/2	2.44	2.40 1/2
Jly	2.46	2.50 1/4	2.46	2.47 3/4	2.44 1/4
Sep	2.45 1/4	2.47	2.45 1/4	2.45 1/2	2.43 1/4
Dec	2.46 1/4	2.49 1/4	2.46	2.48	2.45 1/2
Mar	2.55 1/4	2.55 1/4	2.53 3/4	2.54	2.51 1/2

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.23 3/4	1.26 1/2	1.23 1/2	1.23 3/4	1.23
Mar	1.33 3/4	1.35 1/2	1.33 3/4	1.34 1/4	1.33 1/4
May	1.40 3/4	1.42	1.40 3/4	1.41 1/2	1.40
Jly	1.47	1.47 1/2	1.47	1.47	1.46 1/2
Sep	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.51 1/2

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	6.10 1/2	6.25 1/2	6.09 1/4	6.20	6.06 1/4
Jan	6.24 1/2	6.40	6.24	6.34 1/2	6.21
Mar	6.37 1/2	6.53	6.37 1/2	6.47 1/4	6.34 1/4
May	6.48	6.62 1/4	6.47 1/2	6.56 1/4	6.44 1/4
Jly	6.55 1/2	6.70 1/4	6.55 1/2	6.64 3/4	6.52 1/4
Aug	6.56	6.63	6.56	6.57 1/2	6.47
Sep	6.31	6.31	6.31	6.31	6.26
Nov	6.17 1/2	6.24	6.17 1/2	6.20 1/4	6.16 1/4
Jan	6.30 1/2	6.30 1/2	6.30 1/2	6.30 1/2	6.26

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Oct	22.60	22.77	22.32	22.40	22.52
Dec	22.85	23.07	22.65	22.68	22.79
Jan	23.17	23.34	22.95	23.00	23.08
Mar	23.58	23.78	23.43	23.48	23.49
May	23.90	24.05	23.78	23.79	23.79
Jly	23.99	24.15	23.90	23.95	23.90
Aug	24.05	24.10	23.95	23.95	23.90
Sep	23.90	24.00	23.80	23.82	23.77
Oct	23.40	23.50	23.40	23.50	23.27
Dec	23.20	23.40	23.20	23.40	23.22

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	176.80	184.50	176.60	183.50	175.50
Dec	182.00	189.50	182.00	188.40	180.80
Jan	184.00	190.80	184.00	189.70	182.70
Mar	186.20	192.50	186.00	191.40	185.40
May	188.00	193.00	188.00	192.20	186.70
Jly	189.00	193.00	189.00	192.00	187.50
Aug	187.50	191.70	187.50	190.50	187.20
Sep	186.50	189.50	186.50	188.00	184.30
Oct	....	....	....	186.70	182.80
Dec	186.50	186.50	185.50	186.40	182.70

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - President Bush postponed a New England campaign swing on behalf of GOP candidates Wednesday so he could stay in Washington to press for congressional passage of his endangered deficit- cutting budget deal.

At least one of the Republicans the president had been scheduled to campaign for, New Hampshire Senate candidate Rep. Robert Smith, has opposed the budget package as unacceptable.

''Representative Smith is disappointed that President Bush won't be coming to New Hampshire, but he understands that he is busy in Washington,'' a Smith spokeswoman said.

Earlier this week, Smith's Democratic foe, John Durkin, called on Smith to ''dis-invite'' Bush from a campaign appearance Friday because of the budget deal, which calls for $134 billion in new taxes and fees. Smith refused.

Bush had been scheduled to campaign Thursday and Friday for Republicans candidates in Boston, Waterbury and Stamford, Conn., Burlington, Vt., and Manchester, N.H.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater, in announcing the trip had been postponed, said Bush ''wants to be here to lobby'' for the budget, which faces a Friday deadline for approval and faces an uphill sturggle for approval in the House, where all 435 seats are up for election this fall.

Fitzwater rejected suggestions that some of the GOP candidates may have asked the president not to campaign for them this week.

''No, they're eager to have him, and these will all be rescheduled,'' the press secretary said.

Fitzwater announced Bush will travel Oct. 10 to Raleigh, N.C., to campaign for Sen. Jesse Helms; Atlanta, to support Georgia GOP gubernatorial nominee Johnny

Isakson, and St. Petersburg, Fla., to boost Gov. Bob Martinez.

Smith is one of several Republicans who have spoken out against the budget deal, which they see as a political time bomb. Rep. Lynn Martin, R-Ill., who is seeking to unseat Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., also has opposed it.

Bush, speaking at a news conference Wednesday with out-of-town reporters, said Democrats and Republicans can ''blame me'' if they need a political shield.

He also said he is sticking with the deficit-cutting accord as the ''last best hope'' to keep the country from sinking into an economic disaster.

Smith's spokeswoman said the congressman does not blame the president for the proposed budget deal, reached Sunday between Bush and Republican and Democratic negotiators.

''The blame for the agreement lies with liberal Democrats,'' she said.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - A senior aide to Soviet President Gorbachev has arrived in Jordan on what is rapidly becoming something of a mystery mission. Yevgeny Primakov is a leading Middle East expert in the Soviet Union, and he reportedly will meet with Jordan's King Hussein before flying to Iraq. A Soviet diplomat who asks NOT to be named theorizes that Primakov must be carrying a message from Gorbachev for Iraq's Saddam Hussein.

A major snag is reported in Senate efforts to pass an emergency bill that would let the nation tap into some of its oil reserves. The bill easily passed the House last Friday. But two members of the Senate Energy Committee have blocked it up and the committee has NO meetings set before Congress is to adjourn later this month. Louisiana Democratic Senator Bennett Johnston and Idaho Republican James McClure question the idea of dipping into the stockpile just to lower prices when oil supplies remain high.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan says it would be what he termed ''a grave mistake'' if Congress fails to enact the compromise 500-BILLION-dollar deficit-reduction plan. Greenspan told the House Government Operations Committee today that the budget summit crafted what appears to be a ''credible enforceable reduction'' in the budget deficit over five years. In the past, he has said approval of a credible budget proposal could prompt the Fed to ease its stance on interest rates.

China has begun a formal investigation into its worst airline tragedy since 1982. Officials want to find out exactly what happened just before the hijacked Boeing 737 bounced off two other aircraft while landing at the airport in Canton. The explosions that followed claimed 127 lives. One report

says the hijackers panicked when they found they were landing in China and set off an explosion. But a survivor tells of a fight in the cockpit just before the crash.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - Edwin Gray, former chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, Wednesday defended his tenure as the nation's highest-ranking thrift regulator during the early stages of the collapse of the savings and loan industry.

Gray, who served as the top thrift regulator from 1983 to 1987, told the House Banking Committee that the Garn-St Germain Act, the law passed by Congress that greatly eased restrictions placed on thrift activities, provided inadequate tools for regulators to protect the safety of insured thrift deposits.

''The Garn-St Germain Act simply ignored the matter of modernization and, yes, strengthening the bank board's ability to protect the thrift insurance fund from loss,'' he said.

The committee is examining the roots of the collapse of the savings and loan industry and is paying particular attention to the early 1980s, when regulations governing thrift activities were loosened.

''This period was probably the toughest ever faced by any Federal Home Loan Bank chairman,'' said Rep. Henry Gonzalez, D-Texas, the committee's chairman.

''The high-fliers were in the industry, the trade associations were turning up the heat, the administration was peddling less regulation, the budget-types were cutting budgets and personnel limits for supervisory and examination forces and the Congress was ignoring much of its oversight responsibility,'' he said.

Gray said the size of the bank board's examination force was ''very inadequate'' and was hampered by low salaries and high turnover.

''Under these circumstances, it was very difficult to determine the true financial condition of many institutions, let along being able to to so on a timely basis,'' he said.

Requests for additional staff and pay raises for existing examiners went unheeded by the Reagan administration and Congress.

''The principal reason today's thrift debacle is so big is that Congress did not provide the financial resources we needed, early on, to close insolvent -and often massively insolvent - thrifts and stop the operating losses which I

warned were piling up at an exponential rate,'' Gray said.

Gray bristled at criticism directed toward him in committee testimony Monday by Donald Regan, a Treasury secretary under President Reagan.

Regan, defending the deregulatory policies of the Reagan administration, blasted Gray's performance and hinted that Gray's lack of supervision helped fuel the industry's collapse, which is expected to cost taxpayers as much as $500 billion.

Regan, who also served as chief of staff in the Reagan White House, called Gray a ''front'' for the thrift industry.

''Unfortunately, he has a habit of personally denigrating fellow citizens who may not share or challenge his views,'' Gray said. ''Don Regan told you I was a front for the thrift industry. The industry would have found that to be amusing.''

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(OCT. 3) UPI - In the words of NASA test director Terry Willingham- ''It's been a long dry spell.'' Willingham says everyone at Cape Canaveral is excited about ending the shuttle launch drought that began in April. The countdown began early today for the planned launch of the Discovery Saturday morning. The goal of the 36th shuttle mission is to send the European-built, nuclear-powered Ulysses probe on a five-year voyage over the uncharted poles of the sun.

Rescue crews in New Hampshire will again battle winter-like conditions as they try to retrieve the bodies of three Texans killed in a private airplane crash yesterday. The Cessna 172 slammed into snow- covered Mount Washington, the highest peak in the Northeast. Winds on the mountain are blowing at 60 miles an hour and temperatures are below freezing.

The official Philippines News Agency says the United States wants a report on the investigation and prosecution of 73 crimes- most of them killings- against Americans in the Philippines since 1987. The agency says the 73 cases included the slayings of Army Colonel James Rowe and 11 other Americans- most of them blamed on communist guerrillas. Rowe... a much-decorated Vietnam War veteran and former prisoner of war... was killed on April 21st, 1989.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold

London		
Previous close fix	388.50	off 8.00
Morning fixing	389.85	up 1.35
Afternoon fixing	389.40	up 0.90
Close	390.25	up 0.75
Paris	390.13	up 0.90
Zurich	390.50	up 1.75
Hong Kong	389.20	up 1.65
New York		
Comex spot close	393.90	up 4.80
Republic cash	394.25	up 4.75
Handy and Harman	389.40	up 1.55

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 390.71 up 1.55 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 410.25 up 1.63 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.69	up 0.011
Republic cash	4.71	up 0.01

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.68 per fine ounce off 0.005

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.735 up 0.03 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.066 up 0.032

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 441.00 off 6.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 541.00 off 6.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 101.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 116.00 up 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	371.05	224.15	137.39	21.44	315.21
Opening	370.67	223.83	136.54	21.29	314.55
11 a.m.	370.98	223.54	136.47	21.82	314.66
Noon	371.39	223.09	136.34	21.21	314.88

1 p.m.	372.22	224.07	137.76	21.25	315.61
2 p.m.	371.10	223.37	136.48	21.20	314.72
3 p.m.	368.90	221.68	135.79	21.00	312.80

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 26 to 28 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	10.09	10.12	9.76	9.82	10.10
May	10.12	10.13	9.82	9.85	10.13
Jly	10.13	10.14	9.82	9.85	10.11
Oct	10.15	10.16	9.84	9.89	10.15

Estimated sales: 22,776 contracts

Open interest: 102,881 off 818

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.91

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 3 points higher to 3 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.45	23.45	23.40	23.43	23.45
Jan	23.17	23.17	23.15	23.15	23.18
Mar	23.16	23.17	23.15	23.15	23.16
May	23.23	23.24	23.23	23.23	23.23
Jly	23.24	23.24	23.24	23.24	23.23
Sep	23.20	23.21	23.20	23.21	23.20
Nov	22.90	22.94	22.90	22.94	22.91

Estimated sales: 658 contracts

Open interest: 11,181 off 599

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KARLSRUHE, Germany (OCT. 3) UPI - German authorities arrested one of the heads of the former powerful East German state police Wednesday on charges of espionage, the federal prosecutor said.

Werner Grossmann, who succeeded Markus Wolf - the legendary East German who inspired John Le Carre's creation of Karla - as foreign intelligence director in the former Ministry of State Security known as Stasi, was arrested in his East Berlin apartment Wednesday, prosecutor Alexander von Stahl said.

With East Germany's merger with the West German federal republic, Bonn's laws

prevail and enable West Germany to reach into what was formerly East German territory to arrest its wanted criminals.

Stahl said Grossmann had been in charge of the so-called Main Administration for Information, the Stasi espionage department, which made him ''one of the main delinquents'' on a list of 50 people accused of spying against West Germany.

The Federal Prosecutor's Office in Karlsruhe had prepared arrest warrants for 50 former Stasi members in advance of German unification.

Stahl said police also had arrest warrants for Wolf and former West German spy Hans-Joachim Tiedge, but both are believed to have fled to the Soviet Union or another eastern country.

Stahl said there had been no sign, however, that Grossmann had also been planning to leave the country.

German media recently reported that Wolf, the elusive Soviet masterspy in the Le Carre's George Smiley thrillers, had fled to the Soviet Union although he had said publicly before that he would stay in unified Germany and face charges.

Stahl said that he had received a letter from Wolf saying that ''he wants to evade his arrest.'' But Stahl said it is his duty to find Wolf and arrest him.

The authorities in Bonn recently turned down suggestions of an amnesty for all East German spies and a Justice Ministry spokesman said that both Wolf and Tiedge ''can expect the doorbell to ring on October 3'' if they remain in Germany.

But officials admit they may have some difficulty in uncovering other agents known in Bonn only by their code names.

Intelligence sources in East Berlin said potentially compromising documents formerly stored at the East Berlin Ministry for State Security have been destroyed. West German newspapers report that some have been sent to the Soviet intelligence services.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (OCT. 3) UPI - A record store owner was convicted on obscenity charges Wednesday for selling copies of the controversial 2 Live Crew album ''As Nasty As They Want To Be'' to undercover detectives.

Merchant Charles Freeman faces up to one year in jail and a $1,000 fine for the misdemanor conviction. He was arrested for selling the records June 8, two

days after a Fort Lauderdale federal judge declared the recording obscene.

The five-woman, one-man Broward County jury deliberated about 3 1/2 hours Wednesday, following two days of testimony.

The defense admitted Freeman sold the recording but argued that he was protected by First Amendment guarantees of free speech.

During closing arguments, prosecutor Leslie Robson countered that, ''The First Amendment doesn't mean you can say what you want, when you want.''

She compared the language on the album to crying ''Fire'' in a crowded theater.

''There are common-sense exceptions to the First Amendment,'' Robson said.

Freeman's attorneys attempted to persuade the all-white jury that rap music is merely a reflection and parody of black street talk and is not designed to be sexually arousing.

Under Florida law, a work is considered obscene if it appeals to the prurient interests, or ''morbid, shameful interest in sex,'' of average community members.

The judge dealt a blow to the defense when he refused to let jurors see a stack of flesh magazines, listen to two other rap recordings, and watch XXX-rated videos, including ''Neighborhood Nymphs.''

The defense hoped to show that the 2 Live Crew recording is mild compared to other materials available in the community.

But the judge said the tapes and magazines might distract the jury from their task of deciding whether the album Freeman sold is obscene.

On Tuesday, two music critics testified that the album has artistic merit even though it is riddled with profanity, sexual references and violence.

Pscyhologist Merry Haber testified people she asked about the record found it to be degrading toward women or occasionally humorous, but not titillating.

''The reaction from people who heard it for a second time was that it was boring,'' Haber said.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

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NYSE Stocks - Lower in light trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Lower in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in sluggish trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed mixed in moderate trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 2 1/4 to 3 3/4, soybeans up 4 to 13 3/4 wheat up 1 1/2 to 3 and oats up 1/2 to 1 1/2.

Cattle Trade - Few 50 cents lower; top $77.50.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - Six Republican senators endorsed Sen. Bennett Johnston, a Democratic colleague, in Louisiana's non-partisan primary Wednesday and urged voters to reject the ''racist and anti-Semitic'' appeals of former Klansman David Duke, running as a GOP candidate.

The senators said they could no longer remain silent about Duke's background and campaign and predicted that if Duke is elected to the Senate he would be ''ostracized'' by the Republicans.

The six senators who made the announcement at a news conference were Sens. Rudy Boschwitz, R-Minn., Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, William Cohen, R- Maine, John Danforth, R-Mo., and Fank Murkowski, R-Alaska.

Boschwitz said Sens. David Durenberger, R-Minn., and Nancy Kassebaum, R-Kan., joined in the endorsement. Sen. Warren Rudman, R-N.H., signed a ''open letter'' asking Louisiana voters to back Johnston.

The National Right to Life Committee, the most active anti-abortion organization in the country, also endorsed Johnston, contending he has ''one of the best pro-life voting records in the Senate.''

''Pre-born babies need Senator Johnston back in Washington for six more years '' said Douglas Johnson, legislative director of the group.

Under Louisiana's unique election law, candidates of all parties run in the same primary, being held Saturday.

If anyone gets a majority, the person is automatically elected to the Senate, but if no candidate wins a majority, there is a runoff between the top two finishers.

Johnston, seeking a fourth term, is running very close to 50 percent in the polls but Democrats fear he could be forced into a runoff by Duke. The regular Republican candidate, all but abandoned by the national GOP, is Ben Bagert who is scoring less than 10 percent in the polls.

Stevens, who has already campaigned for Johnston in Louisiana, said he knew of no previous time Republican senators have ''openly'' endorsed a Democrat for the Senate and added it was partly due to Louisiana's unique primary.

In the ''open leter to the people of Louisiana,'' the senators said, ''David Duke, who opposes Sen. Johnston and who we hope will not make it through the primary, masquerades as a Republican, but has no place in our party and would bring discredit on the Senate as a whole.

''We reject his racist and anti-Semitic appeals, and we reiterate that he has no place in our party, or in this body,'' they said.

''The need to speak out against hatred and bigotry far outweighs any partisan interest we may have in this election, and we urge the Republicans in Louisiana to vote for Sen. Bennett Johnston and return him to the U.S. Senate '' they said.

Stevens said, ''I can't believe a man who salutes a burning cross ... who believes we can see white victory in the white robes of the Klan can be one of us.''

''All of us would be embarrassed and mortified to serve in the Senate with David Duke masquerading as a Republican,'' Danforth said.

Asked why they had waited until the week of the primary to endorse Johnston, Stevens replied, ''I waited until I saw three polls that showed Mr. Bagert had not caught on.''

Stevens said that if Duke forced a runoff and then beat Johnston, he would ''take action'' to keep the former member of the Klan from joining the GOP caucus, which could deny Duke committee membership.

''I would recommend he not be allowed to sit as a member of the Republican party,'' Stevens said.

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (OCT. 3) UPI - Cessna Aircraft Co. announced Wednesday it would build the world's fastest business jet - a plane that the company could operate at nearly the speed of sound.

''This is perhaps the greatest performance breakthrough in the history of business jet aviation,'' said Cessna Chairman Russell W. Meyer.

Cessna, a subsidiary of St. Louis-based General Dynamics Corp., announced plans for the all-new Citation X at a business aircraft trade show in New Orleans.

An equipped model would sell for $11.85 million. Initial deliveries are slated for nearly five years from now.

The Citation X would have a maximum operating speed of Mach 0.90, one-tenth point below the speed of sound.

Cessna said the Citation X would fly at Mach 0.86 at an altitude of 41,000 feet, meaning it could fly directly between Los Angeles and New York in about four hours.

Moreover, the plane - called a ''true intercontinental jet'' by Wichita, Kan.-based Cessna - could fly from New York to London in 6 1/2 hours.

Meyer said the Citation X also could be the most fuel-efficient business jet ever built, considering passenger miles flown for each gallon of fuel used.

''This unparalleled efficiency will save hundreds of thousands of dollars in jet fuel costs each year when compared with other business jets capable of flying similar missions at lower speeds,'' he said.

The plane is powered by twin turbofan engines, each generating 6,000 pounds of thrust.

The engine power, combined with the aircraft's wing design, would enable the Citation X to climb to 41,000 feet in 17 minutes, Cessna said.

The aircraft's cabin, measuring 633 cubic feet, would have a capacity for 10 passengers. It is five feet longer than the Citation III midsize business jet, Cessna said.

The cabin has standard or optional features, including: an executive corner office consisting of a fax machine, desk, and swivel chair; a formal galley with microwave oven; a large lavoratory; and a three- channel video system.

The aircraft's first flight is scheduled for March 1993. Deliveries are

expected to start in June 1995.

Meyer said the Citation X would carry business aviation's first five- year warranty for airframe, engines and avionics.

Cessna reported second-quarter operating earnings of $22.6 million on sales of $175.2 million. The company said deliveries of its Citation business jets during the first half of 1990 represented more than 60 percent of the world's light and mid-size business jet sales.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - Two major business groups attacked the proposed $500 billion deficit reduction plan Wednesday and called for Congress to reject the package while a third group representing small businesses hailed the compromise effort.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the U.S. Business and Industrial Council, in separate announcements, criticized the plan for its measures to increases taxes to reduce the deficit.

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But the Commission on Minority Business Development, urged congressional approval for the package, saying it is a ''real boon for small- and medium-sized businesses'' and a ''tremendous opportunity'' for the future of minority-owned buinesses.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Rowland Worldwide Inc., the public relations subsidiary of Saatchi & Saatchi Plc, said Wednesday it acquired Dyson Communications, a Swiss public relations firm with offices in Zurich and Geneva.

The offices will now operate as The Rowland Co. in Switzerland.

Tony Dyson, founder and principal of Dyson Communications, will head the Swiss operation and was also named Rowland worldwide director of business development for continental Europe.

Rowland Worldwide, with 34 offices on five continents, is the fifth largest public relations firm in the world. Headquartered in New York, the firm employs more than 750 people and has annualized fee billings in excess of $50 million.

Rowland Worldwide European Chairman Alan Capper said he expected the new offices to act as a focus for developing continental European business in close conjunction with The Rowland Company offices in London and Brussels.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 3) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.59-2.64 1/4 up 2.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.12- 6.20 up 13.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.17-2.29 up 3.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.29-2.34 up 1 to up 3.

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BERLIN (OCT. 3) UPI - A night of revelry gave way to solemn ceremonies Wednesday as newly re-united Germans basked in congratulations from around the world and pondered a reminder that ''without the war started by Germany under (Adolf) Hitler, there never would have been division.''

The Day of Unity, a new national holiday, began with the tolling of church bells and, true to the sense of national order, a clean up by street sweepers machines of beer and champagne bottles and mountains of confetti and ribbon from all-night street celebrations.

One thousand doves were released in Bonn, the former West German capital which remains the administrative capital and seat of government although Berlin again became the official capital.

The government of Chancellor Helmut Kohl - the first leader of a united Germany since 1945 - moved quickly to exorcise ghosts of East Germany's communist past, arresting one of several top spies of the feared East German State Security Police known as Stasi.

Authorities arrested Werner Grossmann, the former foreign intelligence director of the Stasi, at his East Berlin apartment Wednesday afternoon, prosecutor Alexander von Stahl said.

Stahl said authorities had warrants for the arrest of two other top Stasi spies, but believed that the East Germans fled the country before unification.

Another day of ceremonies, concerts and festivals was warmed by unseasonably sunny weather throughout the new nation from Dresden and Leipzig and Halle in the east to Munich, Hamburg and Duesseldorf in the west.

But in Berlin, the mood of celebration was punctured by clashes between police and more than 10,000 Berlin anarchists, leftists and neo- Nazis.

The violence erupted around the vast Alexanderplatz Square at nightfall when an anti-unification march and rally ended. Chanting ''Shut your mouth Germany'' and ''Never again,'' thousands went on a rampage.

The mob threw gasoline bombs at riot police, overturned sausage and refreshment stands set up for unity celebrations and smashed store windows. Police then moved in with water cannons and tear gas. There were no immediate reports of casualties.

At midnight Tuesday, Germany became Europe's most populous nation with 78.4 million people. Thanks to the former West Germany, it also dominates Europe and rivals the United States and Japan in sheer wealth with an annual gross domestic product of $1.3 trillion.

Wednesday, political and other leaders attended an inter-religion ecumenical service at the Marienkirche in what had been East Berlin.

A solemn state ceremony later was led by German President Richard von Weizsaecker who called on Germans to ''learn to share'' after 40 bitter years of division.

''Now we are one people,'' von Weizsaecker said.

Constantly interrupted by applause, von Weizsaecker said all of Germany has for the first time found a ''lasting place in the circle of Western democracies,'' but reminded the nation of its past history.

''This time, history looked well upon us Germans,'' he said. ''None of us will forget that without the war started by Germany under Hitler, there never would have been division.''

The separate Germanys were created after Nazi Germany's surrender in World War II. As anti-communist fervor swept Eastern Europe last year, the rush to unification began with the fall of the communist government and the breaching of the Berlin Wall.

Kohl, 60, said reunification without war or force was ''unparalleled in European history.

''It is a joyful day for we Germans and a sign of hope for all Europeans,'' he said in a message to the nation published on newspaper front pages.

Kohl and his Christian Democratic Party are expected to be easy winners in the first all-German elections scheduled for Dec. 2.

About 50,000 members of the former East German ''People's Army'' was formally absorbed Wednesday into a 570,000-strong all-German armed forces at a ceremony and parade at Strausberg just outside Berlin.

Messages from world leaders poured in throughout the day, including a telephone call from President Bush to Kohl offering his ''heartiest congratulations.''

Across the Atlantic, Bush hosted a Rose Garden ceremony marking reunification with a German military band playing the national anthem and a Bonn official apologizing for Hitler's crimes.

''Forty-five years of conflict and confrontation between East and West are now behind us,'' said Bush. ''At long last the day has come. Germany is united. Germany is fully free.''

As expected, Israeli officials cautiously welcomed the re-unification of Germany, expressing hope the country would work diligently against anti-Semitism and remember its moral obligation to the Jewish people.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir told Helmut Richter, the German Embassy's charge d'affaires in Israel, the day was of major significance for the German people, but for Israel ''this is naturally a day of reflection.''

An estimated 6 million Jews were killed during the Holocaust.

NATO held a special meeting to mark German unification, a time of ''undiminished rejoicing,'' and thanked the Soviet Union for agreeing to a united Germany's membership in the alliance.

The unification was an incorporation of East Germany into the West German Federal Republic, putting West German law in force throughout the nation. The West German Parliament, expanded with East German members, will govern until all-German elections in December.

The economies of the two states were united July 1. The merger is already causing wrenching economic, political and social changes in both halves of the nation.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - President Bush shrugged off the political pressures of the threat of war in the Persian Gulf and a deficit-induced economic recession. He told a news conference in Washington today that ''nobody said it would be easy '' but he added- quote- ''I don't feel embattled at all.'' Bush held the question-and-answer session for reporters of out-of-town news organizations.

NATO held a special meeting in Brussels today to mark German unification, offering special thanks to the Soviet Union for agreeing to a united Germany's membership in the Western alliance. NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner said nearly half a century of confrontation and frustration has come to an end for NATO. .

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Troops from the West African peace-keeping force in Liberia pushed back rebels today in a two-pronged offensive that used heavy artillery to pound rebel positions in the capital city. Diplomatic sources say rebels from Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia have been seen retreating up to five miles from Monrovia in the past 12 hours.

The surgeon general sharply criticized tobacco companies today for targeting cigarette sales at women. Surgeon General Antonia Novello told a Washington news conference that 126- thousand American women die each year from smoking-related disorders. A doctors' group called the tobacco companies ''irresponsible.''

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#90276u1552 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - A Bronx judge gave psychiatric experts for both the prosecution and defense six weeks to complete their examinations of the Cuban immigrant accused of setting the Happy Land Social Club fire that killed 87 people.

Richard Berne, defense attorney for 36-year-old Julio Gonzalez, filed a motion with the court allowing him to pursue an insanity defense to charges in the worst mass slaying in continental U.S. history.

The move clears the way for medical experts to interview the defendant on behalf of the prosecution.

Defense psychiatrists have already examined Gonzalez but have not completed their reports yet, Berne told Judge Burton Roberts before a courtroom packed with reporters and relatives of the victims in state Supreme Court in the Bronx.

Gonzalez, a Mariel boatlift refugee who speaks only Spanish, wore jeans, a gray striped shirt with a white collar, and sneakers. A woman sitting next to him translated throughout the 45-minute hearing.

Gonzalez is charged with 174 counts of murder, two each for the 87 people who died in the fire. Almost all of the dead were Latin American immigrants, many from Honduras, who had come to the club for a night of dancing to salsa and reggae.

Gonzalez allegedly dumped a dollar's worth of gasoline in the entranceway of the illegal social club in the rundown section of the Bronx after quarreling with his girlfriend.

The judge set a deadline of Nov. 15 for all medical experts to complete their evaluations, for the defense and prosecution to share the results, and for

Burns to formally decide whether he would be employing an insanity defense at trial.

If Berne chooses such a defense, he, instead of the prosecution, assumes the burden of proving Gonzalez's lack of mental competency, while assistant district attorney Eric Warner would have to refute the claim beyond a reasonable doubt.

Berne said he is not admitting his client's guilt by filing an insanity defense, but was seeking to move the case, which has had several non-conclusive court dates so far, forward as quickly as possible.

That explanation did not sit well with the scores of people, some of whom carried pictures of relatives lost in the fire, who filled the courtroom and lined the hallway waiting to get in.

''It seems the lawyers are better off taking care of the criminals than the family of the victims,'' said Jerome Ford, 37, of the Bronx, who lost eight relatives in the blaze, including his wife's two brothers and a sister.

''We're getting angry (at these delays). We're going to pursue this until we get justice,'' said Aracely Sanchez, who lost seven relatives.

''It's the law that's dragging its feet. He didn't drag his feet when he went to buy gas to kill 87 people,'' she said.

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#90276u1564 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - A Lower East side man accused of murdering his Swiss girlfriend and boiling her body parts was found mentally fit to stand trial Wednesday and was granted a new lawyer.

Judge Robert Haft dismissed the previous court-appointed attorney for Daniel Rakowitz, citing repeated disagreements between lawyer and client over the defense's strategy.

The lawyer, Philip Edelbaum, urged Rakowitz to plead not criminally responsible by reason of mental disease or defect.

But the 31-year-old restaurant employee rejected the insanity defense and wanted his lawyer to argue he did not commit the 1989 murder.

''Mr. Rakowitz has a different and contrary view to how to handle this case. And in this state, the defendant has the right to decide what plea should be entered,'' Haft told Edelbaum.

During mental competency hearings this summer, Rakowitz insisted on testifying

over Edelbaum's objections. His testimony touched on his feelings for his pet rooster and his desire to be tried by a jury of his peers - marijuana smokers.

As a result of those hearings, the judge ruled Wednesday that Rakowitz is mentally fit to stand trial.

The judge replaced Edelbaum with Manhattan attorney Franklyn Gould, who is known for his defense of Robert Wallace Jr., 22, convicted in 1988 of killing a man outside a Manhattan bar with a karate kick.

Rakowitz, an admitted marijuana dealer, is charged with second-degree murder in the death of Monika Beerle, 26, a modern dancer who lived with him in an apartment on the Lower East Side.

Police said he made 10 statements in which he admitted killing the young woman dismembering and boiling her body parts and feeding the remains to a pet cat.

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#90276u1566 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.90

60 to 89 days 7.80

90 to 119 days 7.82

120 to 149 days 7.72

150 to 179 days 7.66

180 to 270 days 7.61

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.00 - 7.80

Issuers 30 days 8.00

Issuers 90 days 7.71

Issuers 270 days 7.45

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.97

60 to 89 days 7.99

90 to 119 days 7.95

120 to 149 days 8.00

150 to 179 days 8.00

180 days 8.00

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.25 - 8.375

1 month 8.00 - 8.125

3 month 8.00 - 8.125

6 month 8.00 - 8.125

Year 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.16 - 7.14

6 months 7.17 - 7.15

Year 7.08 - 7.06

Federal Funds: High 10 1/2, Low 8 1/4, Close 10 1/2

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7.820 up 0.020.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90276u1572 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - Administration officials said Wednesday a proposed $7.3 billion arms sale to Saudi Arabia is designed to help the desert kingdom slow down an invading army until U.S. and other reinforcements can arrive.

Testifying before House Foreign Affairs Committee members who were generally critical of the sale, the officials said even with the arms, Saudi Arabia would be unable to repel an attack by a well-armed aggressor such as Iraq.

''The fundamental reality is that there is a basic imbalance in population and resources between the Arabian Peninsula countries in which we have vital interests and their two larger, stronger and frequently hostile neighbors to the north,'' said Paul Wolfowitz, undersecretary of defense for policy.

''What the Saudis can do, given the will and necessary equipment, is to build a force that would be capable of doing so much damage in a defensive role that any aggressor would have to think very seriously about invading,'' he said.

''If deterrence fails, we would expect Saudi forces to slow and perhaps stop an attacking army long enough for reinforcements to arrive. The force we and the Saudis have in mind would then be able to operate effectively with U.S. and allied reinforcements.''

The administration first planned a $21 billion arms sale to Saudi Arabia in response to Iraq's invastion of Kuwait. But after a congressional uproar, the Pentagon decided to sell $7.3 billion of tanks and other high-tech weaponry this year and the rest in a second phase, expected in early 1991.

Several members of the committee's Middle East and Arms Control subcommittees were critical of the smaller sale, accusing the administration of continuing to use the Persian Gulf crisis as a cover for the deal.

Rep. Tom Lantos, D-Calif., Mel Levine, D-Calif., and Larry Smith, D- Fla., led the criticism, saying the tanks in the deal could not be used during the current crisis because they would take years to be delivered, and charging that the sale would erase Israel's qualitative edge in weaponry in the Middle East.

''Is it worth substantially altering the landscape of the Middle East to provide two more days worth of defense capability (for Saudi Arabia)?'' Levine said in an interview. ''Nobody is suggesting that this will obviate the necessity for the United States to come to Saudi Arabia's defense.''

Wolfowitz defended the decision to sell Saudi Arabia the 150 M-1A2 tanks, saying in the early days of Operation Desert Shield there was ''nothing on the ground'' that could protect American troops from Iraqi tanks.

The decision to sell the tanks now, he said, was made in part because increasing current production of the tanks would lower their price - saving money for U.S. forces and possibly attracting more potential buyers.

Wolfowitz and Reginald Bartholomew, undersecretary of state for internal security affairs, also both maintained that the sales would not harm Israel.

''A secure Saudi Arabia is in Israel's best interest,'' Wolfowitz said.

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#90276u1592 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (OCT. 3) UPI - The shuttle Discovery's crew flew to Florida Wednesday for blastoff Saturday on a key flight to fire the European Ulysses probe over the poles of the sun in NASA's latest bid to end a five-month launch drought.

''We're optimistic that come Saturday we're going to have a good solid space shuttle (flight) with Discovery,'' commander Richard ''Dick'' Richards told reporters at the Kennedy Space Center landing strip.

''Our expectations are high that we've got a tight vehicle and we're going to be ready to go on Saturday and get Ulysses down the road (on) its five-year journey toward the sun.''

Richards, 44, co-pilot Robert Cabana, 41, flight engineer William Shepherd, 41 Bruce Melnick, 40, and Thomas Akers, 39, arrived in Florida about 12 hours after Discovery's countdown began at launch pad 39B.

''It's been a long dry spell. We haven't launched since April and that's our business, launching,'' said NASA test director Terry Willingham. ''We're looking forward to it, to have another launch here. I think we're all excited.''

Discovery's payload bay doors were closed for flight Wednesday and engineers started the ship's intricate countdown on time at 3:30 a.m. EDT. Willingham said no technical problems were under discussion.

''We're looking very smooth at this point,'' he said. ''We got the payload bay doors closed for flight this morning, we've got the aft (engine room) closed out for flight, so everything's on schedule. We're looking real good.''

With a 70 percent chance of good weather expected, Discovery is scheduled to blast off at 7:35 a.m. Saturday to kick off a four-day mission, NASA's first

since April 24 because of fuel leaks that grounded the shuttles Columbia and Atlantis four times in June, July and September.

Engineers have no reason to suspect any fuel leaks aboard Discovery and Willingham said the launch team is optimistic the $2 billion spaceplane will get through fuel loading Friday night without any problems.

''I'm very confident,'' he said. ''I don't see at this point any problems with hydrogen leaks.''

Final clearance to launch will depend not only on a leak-free fueling operation Friday, but also on permission from a federal judge in Washington.

The goal of the 36th shuttle mission is the launch of the nuclear- powered Ulysses probe on a five-year $750 million voyage over the poles of the sun.

Ulysses, built by the European Space Agency, is equipped with a ''radioisotope thermoelectric generator,'' or RTG, a compact electrical power plant loaded with 24 pounds of highly toxied plutonium 238 dioxide.

Anti-nuclear activists asked U.S. District Judge Oliver Gasch on Friday to block Discovery's launch, claiming NASA underestimated the odds of a radiation release in the event of a launch catastrophe. They say NASA should equip Ulysses with a solar power system, regardless of how long that might delay the flight.

But in court papers filed Tuesday, NASA called the concerns ''insignificant or misplaced'' and said it was ''critical that the launch proceed as planned since to delay now may result in the loss of an important and irreplaceable scientific opportunity.''

A hearing is scheduled Thursday in Washington and a decision is expected Friday, the same day activists plan to mount a protest at the Kennedy Space Center.

But a similar legal effort to ground NASA's Galileo Jupiter probe failed last year and agency officials were confident the court would dismiss the action this time around, clearing the way for launch.

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#90276u1611 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	62	off 2 3-8
AT&T Company	31 1-2	off 1-4
BCE Inc	30 7-8	off 1-8

Bell Atlantic	x-48		off 1
BellSouth Corp	x-52	1-4	off 7-8
Exxon Corp	49	5-8	up 1-8
Ford Motor Co	32	1-4	unch
Genl Electric	54	1-2	off 1 1-4
General Motor	35	3-8	off 1 5-8
GTE Corp	27	1-2	off 1-4
IBM Corp	107	3-8	off 7-8
Mobil Oil Corp	61	7-8	off 1-8
Nynex Corp	71	3-4	off 5-8
Pac Gas & Elec	22		off 1-8
Pacific Telesis	43		off 2 1-8
Phila Electric	15	5-8	up 3-8
Sears Roebuck	25	3-8	off 1 1-8
Southern Co	24	3-8	off 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	x-53	1-2	off 1 1-4
US West Inc	35	3-8	off 1 1-8

x-ex-dividend.

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#90276u1623 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 3) UPI - A Fort Lauderdale, Florida, record store owner was convicted today of selling an obscene rap music recording to undercover detectives. A Broward County Circuit Court jury found merchant Charles Freeman guilty of selling copies of the 2 Live Crew album ''As Nasty As They Want To Be.'' Freeman faces up to one year in jail and a one-thousand-dollar fine on the misdemeanor conviction.

The House took steps to allow more immigrants into the country, approving a bill that would raise the annual limit from 540-thousand to 800-thousand. A similar bill in the Senate would raise the limit to just 630-thousand immigrants. House and Senate negotiators will try to work out a compromise.

Police in Union Gap, Washington, are looking for a pair of robbers who used a chainsaw to cut off a man's hand so they could steal his watch and rings. The victim is hospitalized in stable condition. The chainsaw apparently was used because the victim's watch was attached to his wrist with a security latch.

Authorities in Ravenna, Ohio, say a man admitted killing his wife, burning her body and tilling the ashes in a garden in the family's back yard. In an affidavit unsealed yesterday, Dale Davis confessed to killing his wife on March 19th. He was arrested on Saturday and is being held in the Portage County Jail.

A group in Guymon, Oklahoma, is pushing for re-election of a judge who has been dead for more than one month. Judge Frank Ogden filed for re-election and

then died in August... too late to have his name removed from the ballot. If Ogden were re-elected, it would mean the governor would appoint his successor. However, Ogden's supporters say he's the best candidate on the ballot.

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#90276u1651 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2489.36	off	15.84
20 Trans	882.77	off	12.02
15 Utils	202.46	off	0.32
65 Stocks	879.34	off	6.52

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#90276u1654 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2489.36	off	15.84	882.77	off	12.02	202.46	off	0.32
Tuesday	2505.20	off	10.64	894.79	up	21.64	202.78	off	0.57
Week ago	2459.65	off	25.99	846.52	up	1.85	199.82	off	0.82
Month ago	2628.22	up	14.85	897.74	up	1.66	198.44	up	2.39
Year ago	2771.09	up	16.53	1467.11	up	7.83	217.68	up	0.12
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2427.48			828.03			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90276u1664 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 3) UPI - China and Singapore established diplomatic relations Wednesday, ending years of difficult political ties that never interfered with a flourishing trade and cultural exchange between the two countries.

The two countries' foreign ministers issued a joint communique at U.N. headquarters announcing the immediate setting up of diplomatic ties based on the ''five principles of peaceful coexistence'' and the U.N. Charter.

The communique said the two sides agreed to ''exchange ambassadors and provide each other with facilities for the functionning of diplomatic missions.''

It was signed by China's Qian Qichen and Singapore's Wong Kan Seng, both of whom met in New York while attending the U.N. General Assembly session.

The five principles mentioned in the communique - the pillar of China's international relations - involve mutual respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity, mutual non-aggression, non interference in each other's internal affairs, equality and mutual benefit, and peaceful coexistence.

Wednesday's announcement culminated months of work between the two governments to restore ties that were severed following the Chinese- supported coup attempt in Jakarta in 1965.

Chinese Prime Minister Li Peng went to Singapore in August in the first meeting by a senior Chinese leader in more than a decade and held extensive talks with the island republic's longtime prime minister, Lee Kuan Yew.

Li Peng all but set a date for establishment of full diplomatic ties, pledging to ''enhance friendship and deepen understanding and cooperation'' between the two nations.

''This is with a view to further opening up a future of better and more comprehensive relations between China and Singapore,'' Li said at the time.

Singapore and the southeast Asian sultanate of Brunei have held back from exchanging ambassadors with China out of deference to Indonesia, which cut ties in 1967 after accusing China of supporting an abortive communist coup attempt in 1965.

Jakarta restored ties during Li Peng's August visit to Indonesia.

Lee Kuan Yew has said repeatedly that Singapore would establish full ties with Beijing soon after Jakarta did so, but told Li Peng in August that the lack of diplomatic ties had not prevented the two countries from enjoying extensive cooperation.

China and Singapore have enjoyed a decade of flourishing trade and cultural relations despite the lack of formal ties. More than one-fourth of Singapore's 2.7 million citizens claim Chinese ancestry and the Mandarin and Cantonese dialects are widely spoken.

Singapore is China's fifth-largest export market and bilateral trade in 1989 totaled $3.2 billion, more than five times the figure in 1980.

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#90276u1669 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA, NICARAGUA (OCT. 3) UPI - At least four ex-Contra rebels died in a clash with police after more than 200 Contras, some of them reportedly armed, occupied a government farm cooperative in a central village, officials said Wednesday.

Interior Ministry spokesman Frank Cesar said nine other Contras and one police officer were injured in the confrontation, which took place Tuesday evening in Waslala, a small farm community about 130 miles northeast of Managua.

Witnesses said between 200 and 300 Contras converged on the town Sunday and Monday, occupying government buildings and demanding they be given land on the cooperative.

The Contras, who completed a disarmament process in June after agreeing to end their nine-year-long civil war, have been awaiting long- delayed government promises to provide them with land and resources to help ease their return to civilian life.

Tuesday, one of the Contra leaders, Pepe Matus, warned that if something was not done quickly to ease the plight of the former U.S.- backed rebels, violence would continue to escalate.

The latest attack was the second in as many weeks. On Sept. 24, five people were killed in a similar confrontation in San Juan del Rio Coco, about 50 miles west of Waslala. That attack also occurred when the former rebels occupied a farm cooperative and were repelled by Sandinista farm workers. All five of those killed were Contras or civilian Contra supporters.

''If the government does not respond soon to the land problem, we are going to have social chaos,'' Matus said Tuesday. ''The incident in San Juan del Rio Coco is lamentable, and we hope it is not repeated.''

Cesar, the government spokesman, said four people were confirmed dead in Tuesday's incident, although missionary workers in Waslala said 10 people had been killed, including two police officers. Cesar said there was no confirmed information that the Contras were armed.

He said that in addition to occupying the land, the rebels were demanding the disarmament of the civilians in the area. The Interior Ministry has been gathering the thousands of weapons that the Sandinistas distributed to civilians during the war, but Cesar admitted Wednesday, ''It is no easy task. It takes time.''

Enrique Blandon, a pro-Sandinista priest who directs the Catholic mission in Waslala, said he and several other missionaries were forced out of the town on Monday by the Contras.

''They were armed with pistols, machetes, clubs and some rifles,'' Blandon said, adding that the rebels raided local ranches, stealing live chickens and food.

Blandon said the rebels were accompanied by right-wing members of President

Violeta Chamorro's political party, the National Oppposition Union.

''We are urging the police and army to come in and restore order and protect us,'' he said.

''The government urgently has to look for land for (the Contras) other than on the cooperatives,'' said Ubaldo Geruasoni, an Italian missionary worker.

The government has provided thousands of acres of land to the Contra leadership, and $47 million in U.S. aid was doled out for the disarmament process and support of the Contras, although much of it went to the United Nations and Organization of American States to pay for the disarmament verification.

The Contras have argued that they have not received near enough land to provide for the more than 20,000 former rebels and their families.

''The government does not have the desire to participate in taking care of the former Contras,'' Matus said.

He said the Contra leadership does not support the forced seizure of land, but that he has no control over hungry Contras with no other alternatives.

Daniel Nunez, leader of the Sandinista-affiliated National Union of Farmers and Ranchers, backed Matus's pleas.

''If we don't resolve the land problems, we are going to have another war,'' Nunez said, adding that both his organization and the Contras are made up of peasants. ''We have to work together and present a common front.''

Nunez and Matus both called on the government to do away with the present, socialist system of farming and divide the cooperatives among all the peasants - Sandinistas, Contras and others.

''It is an explosive situation, not only because of the mass of former Contras but because of the mass of unemployed Sandinista farmworkers,'' said Edgar Garcia, chief of the Sandinista Association of Farmworkers.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Wednesday - $52,440,000

1990 to date - $8,441,350,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 5 to 145 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	72.65	72.75	71.25	71.25	72.70
Dec	72.40	72.65	72.00	72.03	72.35
Mar	73.25	73.50	72.70	72.73	73.15
May	73.80	73.80	73.35	73.35	73.73
Jly	73.85	74.00	73.40	73.40	73.82
Oct	69.25	69.35	69.25	69.15	69.20
Dec	67.80	67.80	67.75	67.77	67.88

Estimated sales: 3,500 contracts
Open interest: 35,877 up 165
The World spot average: 69.49

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 135,490,000 shares
1990 to date - 30,262,177,482
Warrants - 675,300
1990 to date - 189,583,500

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#90276u1702 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

ALESSANDRIA, Italy (OCT. 3) UPI - A tourist bus carrying 50 elderly passengers home from a seaside holiday crashed through a bridge guardrail Wednesday and plunged 130 feet into a mountain stream. Police said they feared 30 of those aboard were killed.

Most of the other passengers were injured, many seriously, police said.

The accident took place around 5:30 p.m. on the Genoa-Alessandria superhighway near Ovada, midway between the two northern Italian cities.

Police said heavy rain and drifting fog probably contributed to the accident and hampered rescue operations in the hills behind the Ligurian riviera in northwestern Italy.

The passengers had been on holiday at the beach resort of Arenzano, 12 miles west of Genoa. The bus was taking them home to Gravellona Toce, near the shores of Lake Maggiore, 50 miles northwest of Milan.

Police said as the bus came out of a tunnel and started crossing the

130-foot-high bridge over the Stura stream it skidded on the rain-slick highway and crashed through the right-hand guard rail.

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#90276u1704 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 3) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index 170.80 off 1.79

ASE Market Value Index 309.25 off 0.38

Dow-Jones Industrial 2489.36 off 15.84

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#90276u1713 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 11,220,000 shares

1990 to date - 2,663,819,585

Bonds - $2,700,000

1990 to date - $545,974,000

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#90276u1728 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 310.14, low 308.80, close 309.25, off 0.38.

There was a loss of 1 cent in the average share price.

Volume 11,220,000 shares, compared with 16, 010,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	4
New Lows	34
Advances	213
Declines	290
Unchanged	226
Total Issues	729

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#90276u1749 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (OCT. 3) UPI - Serbian opposition parties said Wednesday they will boycott the republic's first multi-party polls in 45 years unless the ruling communists meet their demands for changes in an election law adopted last week.

The parties called on the communists, who in July renamed their organization the Socialist Party of Serbia, to move the polls now scheduled for Dec. 9 back

to Dec. 27 to allow sufficient time for negotiations and enactment of a new election statute.

They gave the Serbian government of President Slobodan Milosevic seven days in which to open ''round-table talks.''

The six major opposition parties, joined by seven smaller groups, reiterated at a news conference that they believe an election law adopted Friday by the communist-controlled Serbian Assembly was designed to preserve the ruling party's grip on power.

Opposition leaders said they want a new law guaranteeing equal access and coverage on Serbian radio and television, which are firmly in the control of the communists.

The leaders also repeated demands for a two-month-long campaign and reforms ensuring that the election results cannot be rigged in the communists' favor.

Unless the demands are met, the opposition parties will boycott the elections, they said in a prepared statement.

''The boycott is the ultimate means by which the united Serbian opposition is trying to organize really free and fair elections, and by this we are giving the last chance to the communists to re-examine their stand,'' said Vuk Draskovic, president of the nationalist Serbian Renewal Movement, regarded as the strongest Serbian opposition group.

Serbian opposition parties first announced in August that they were considering boycotting the polls unless changes were made to a draft election law.

The communists, in approving the election statute last Friday, amended several provisions to partially meet some opposition concerns, including allowing the parties of all candidates to have one representative on each local election commission.

However, the opposition complained that the election machinery would remain overwhelmingly dominated by communist apparatchiks.

Milosevic was forced to agree to multi-party assembly polls following the defeat of communists in April by nationalist parties in the Croatian and Slovenian republics in the first free elections held in Yugoslavia since the communist takeover at the end of World War II in 1945.

However, he delayed announcing a poll date until the adoption last Friday of a new Serbian constitution that eliminates virtually all autonomy for the province of Kosovo, the 1.7 million-strong ethnic Albanian majority of which is agitating for self-rule.

With Kosovo a major election issue, the constitution was designed to appeal to Serbian nationalists, for whose votes the communists would be competing with opposition parties.

Yugoslavia's 8.5 million Serbs, who constitute the nation's majority but number only 200,000 in Kosovo, cherish the province with near- fanatical devotion as the ''cradle'' of their centuries-old Orthodox religion and culture.

Serbia suspended the provincial government on July 5 and took control of Kosovo after ethnic Albanian lawmakers declared it Yugoslavia's seventh republic. Large numbers of ethnic Albanians have been arrested since then.

The Serbian opposition also favors a harsh approach to the Kosovo issue, but wanted the adoption of a new constitution left until the election of a multi-party Serbian Assembly.

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#90276u1757 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday.

Stock		$Volume	Close	Chg.
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	62,910,168	27	off 2 5/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	51,072,256	65 3/4	off 1/8
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	48,888,840	19 1/2	off 2 3/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	42,905,208	61	off 4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	41,630,472	33 1/4	off 1 1/4
Autodesk	(ACAD)	33,633,776	37	off 2 3/4
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	32,942,052	44	off 1
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	29,181,130	33 1/8	off 3/4
Amgen	(AMGN)	28,118,084	45 5/8	off 1 1/4
Sequent Comptr	(SQNT)	26,087,486	14 1/4	off 1 3/4

Composite Index 153.91 off 2.23

NMS volume 86,955,600 shares.

Advances	590
Declines	911
Unchanged	1,298
Total	2,799

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(OCT. 3) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	231.50	232.30	227.00	227.90	232.10
Mar	....	....	....	230.10	234.30
Jun	....	....	....	233.10	237.30

Previous day volume: 84 contracts.
Open interest: 1,197 up 21

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	317.90	319.90	312.80	313.70	318.35
Mar	320.50	322.45	315.70	317.30	321.05
Jun	325.30	325.90	318.60	319.35	324.05

Today's estimated volume: 47,063 contracts.
Open interest: 147,551 off 5,947

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	173.70	175.00	171.10	171.60	174.05
Mar	175.25	175.40	173.85	173.00	175.45
Jun	176.55	176.55	176.55	174.40	176.85

Open interest: 4,725 off 138

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	524.00	527.90	517.25	517.85	525.00
Nov	525.00	527.75	517.50	517.90	524.90
Dec	526.50	529.75	520.00	520.00	527.15

Estimated volume 4,967 contracts.
Open interest: 7,427 up 204

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	309.25	off	0.38
High Technology	295.94	off	0.96
Capital Goods	325.11	off	1.01
Consumer Goods	367.30	off	1.20
Service	677.99	up	1.51
Retail	900.95	off	12.73
Financial	361.44	up	2.19
Natural Resources	244.19	up	0.05
Housing-Const-Land	299.42	off	1.09

There was a loss of 1 cent in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS			
New England	391.20	off	0.67
Mid Atlantic	399.91	up	2.06
No Central	400.05	off	2.38
So Atlantic	852.93	off	10.76
So Central	303.38	off	0.99
Mountain	111.39	up	2.01
Pacific	342.59	off	2.65
Foreign	239.31	up	0.18

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EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 3) UPI - Saudi Arabia, swamped with volunteers in case of war with Iraq, has begun graduating the first of its new reservists with a warning Wednesday that if Iraq wants war the desert kingdom is ready.

Prince Mohammed bin Fahd bin Abdul Aziz, son of King Fahd and governor of the eastern district, told over 450 new recruits who were the first to graduate in his province that ''we are ready to take them on.''

Othman Alkharaz,, a 26-year-old computer scientist from Dammam, said the prince's address centered on the desire to avoid war in the region because ''war is destructive.''

''If the Iraqis insist on this war, what he said was 'we are ready to take them on.'''

The prince, who was flanked by his 11-year old son wearing a youngster's set of camouflage clothing, told reporters in brief remarks in English that the recruits ''want to defend their country. They are loyal to the government and support the government in any decision in any matter. We have already now more volunteers than we can handle.''

''There has to be peace in the region. Everybody is searching for that peace. I hope it works because chaos can happen,'' he added.

The first class graduated a day earlier in a full-blown military ceremony at a southwestern training center. In the crowd at both locations were professionals and students.

Another 1,000 reservists will start their training in the eastern region next week.

If called to active duty, they would provide support services for front-line combat units, participate in civil defense and help keep order in urban areas.

Mansuer Al Obaid, a 43-year-old translator by profession, said that after a

month of training ''now we feel that we are at last soldiers.''

Obaid and the others wore khaki uniforms devoid of any badge of rank and were led by regular army drill sergeants in their training.

''I am 43 but I feel 25, very strong, very young.'' Obaid said proudly.

Medical student Mohammed al Ghandi was able to work in his military training - two hours in the morning and two at night - in between classes at King Faisal University. He said the students studied how to protect themselves against chemical weapons, learned how to use small arms and rifles and took physical training.

At the graduation exercizes in the southwest region, watched by Prince Sultan, the defense minister, a number of senior educators from Moslem universities and jurists were trained.

The two holiest shrines in the Moslem world are in Saudi Arabia, and the King is formally referred to as the keeper of the two holy mosques at Mecca and Medina. Religion played a strong role in the remarks of many of the educators who enlisted in the reserves.

Speaking before some of the more modern weaponry in the Saudi arsenal, Dr. Abdulla Al Musih, a college dean, said, ''I volunteered because of my religion ... because I am contributing to the defense of my country. Our faith told us to come here to fight for our religion and our country.''

A number of the sons of Saudis who had signed up for the reserves also took training, but were not given any weapons courses, said Maj. Gen. Mohammed Almohaya, commander of the training facility. The youngest at Wednesday's nights ceremony was 14, and a 13-year-old joined his father at Tuesday's graduation.

Wednesday night's graduation, at which each new reservist got a certificate, was conducted on a dusty soccer field. Tuesday's was held on an asphault rectangle a half-mile long with regular troops standing opposite the reservists on a base in a 9,000-foot-high mountain valley.

The new reservists all took on their new duties below the green Saudi flag that bears the major tenet of the Moslem world: ''There is no God but one God and Mohammed is his prophet.''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - Fed up with higher medical costs and lower benefits, thousands of workers around the country staged demonstrations Wednesday to demand national health care reform.

''We're trying to demonstrate that workers care very deeply about the health care system in this country,'' said Steve Rosenthal, spokesman for Jobs With Justice, a national coalition of labor union, civil rights, womens' and environmentalist groups that organized the actions.

Rosenthal said ''health care action day'' events, from walkouts to sticker wearing, were planned at 50,000 work locations ''to send a message to our employers that until there's a national solution to this national crisis they are still responsible for the health care of ourselves and our families.''

Many of the actions sought to highlight that 37 million Americans have no health insurance.

''The theme of our rally is 'Who Killed Linda Williams,''' said Ellen Bravo, executive director of the Milwaukee clerical employee group ''9to5'' that staged a health care reform demonstration at a downtown federal building.

Divorced and left with two children to support, Williams worked 45 hours a week at three part-time jobs, none providing health insurance, according to Bravo. In 1987, Williams needed triple bypass heart surgery, but without insurance no hospital would admit her until her plight was publicized.

After the operation, Williams got a full-time job with health insurance to support her family and a night job to pay off more than $60,000 in uninsured medical bills. The toll was a fatal heart attack.

''She died at work ... the day before her 47th birthday,'' said Bravo. ''She still owed $20,000, maybe more,'' in medical bills.

Bravo called Williams' tragedy ''the typical story of many women. ... I feel employers give health insurance to women as if they all have a spouse who is insured,'' she said.

In Norfolk, Va., Boilermakers Local 684 led ''several hundred'' union workers in a one-day work stoppage at the Norfolk Shipbuilding and Drydock Co. to protest ''declining health benefits and increasing costs to employees for their co-payments,'' said Boilermakers spokesman Robert Henrich.

''It's our No. 1 issue with Norshipco in our bargaining and we've been working without a contract since 1988,'' Henrich said. ''It's getting to the point that it could very well be a week's salary just to cover our co-payments for health care.''

In New Brunswick, N.J., New Jersey Citizen Action, a coalition of community, labor and environmental groups, held a lunchtime picket by 25 members in front of a McDonald's restaurant.

''McDonalds was chosen as the site because they are one of the largest employers in the country not to provide health care benefits to their employees,'' said Carlton Levine, a spokesman for the group. ''As the largest fast-food chain, they are representative of the entire industry in which almost no health benefits are offered.''

Several other groups also held a rally outside the office of Sen. Bill Bradley D-N.J., in Union to kick off a petition drive calling for Congress to enact legislation creating a national health program.

Rosenthal said major ''health care action day'' events were also planned in New York, where Mayor David Dinkins arranged to address an evening health care reform rally, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, San Francisco, and Salem, Ore. as well as smaller events in other cities and towns.

The Health Insurance Association of America, which represents 320 health insurance companies, issued a statement applauding the Jobs With Justice actions and other ''private/public'' efforts ''to make sure that every American can obtain affordable, high quality health care.''

Of the 37 million Americans with no health insurance, three of four are working people and their families, according to Rosenthal. An additional 50 million are ''underinsured,'' he said.

''The biggest problem is the spiraling cost'' of health insurance, he said. ''Those employers who provide the benefits are trying to shift the costs from themselves to the workers.

''If you're a public worker in Mississippi who's making $9,000 a year and you're paying $2,000 of that annually for your health care (insurance) for your family, you don't have to be a mathematician to figure out that you just can't survive on that,'' Rosenthal said.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - Crude oil prices rebounded more than $3 a barrel Wednesday, regaining much of a two-day loss in which crude lost 14 percent of its value after an industry survey showed a big drop in inventories for the third consecutive week.

The U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery ended at $37.32 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, up $3.37 on the day.

WTI had fallen $5.56 a barrel - 14.1 percent - in trading Monday and Tuesday after more conciliatory statements by President Bush and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein raised hopes of a diplomatic settlement of the Persian Gulf crisis.

WTI opened 70 cents higher on the Merc after the American Petroleum Institute's weekly survey released late Tuesday showed U.S. crude inventories dropped 9.4 million barrels last week as a result of declining imports after having fallen a cumulative 10.4 million barrels in the prior two weeks.

''The higher opening was associated with the API report,'' said Robert Baker, senior energy analyst with Prudential-Bache Securities Inc. in New York.

The analyst said he was not aware of any particular news from the Middle East that would further support a move to higher prices.

Many buyers left the market during the two-day selling binge Monday and Tuesday, said Mary Haskins of PaineWebber Inc. in New York.

''After last night's API stats, an awful lot of them came back into the market '' the trader said.

In response to the surge in oil prices, stock prices fell toward the end of the day with the Dow Jones industrial average closing down 15.84 points on the New York Stock Exchange.

Wednesday's settlement represented a recovery of about 50 percent of the market's losses from WTI's Tuesday low of $33.85 a barrel and thus represented a technically sound move up, Haskins said. WTI set a record Merc high of $40.10 a barrel last Thursday.

With no news from the Persian Gulf, the market is going to try and find a technical equilibrium, she said.

Prices are remaining this high because ''there is still the perception war is a good possibility,'' she said.

Ray Mazzeo of Shearson Lehman Hutton's International Energy Desk in New York said news reports that foreign ministers at the United Nations had indicated to Secretary of State James Baker their countries would not oppose U.S. military action against Iraq may be providing some support to the market.

''The situation is still very tense,'' Mazzeo said.

The API report showed that U.S. crude inventories are still 21.3 million barrels above last year's level, but nearly half of the U.S. supply buffer had been lost in the last two weeks.

''We could erase (the remainder) in two weeks' time,'' Mazzeo said.

U.S. stocks had stayed 40 million to 50 million barrels above last year until mid-September, when the effects began to be felt of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of

Kuwait and the resulting U.N. embargo on exports of the two nations ordered four days later. The embargo has resulted in a global shortfall of about 1.5 million barrels a day.

Despite rocketing crude prices, the United States and other oil- consuming industrialized nations have been reluctant to tap their strategic reserves while large commercial stocks existed.

On the Merc, unleaded gasoline for November delivery climbed 6.21 cents to 93.14 cents a gallon and November-delivery home heating oil rocketed 7.38 cents to 99.41 cents a gallon.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was up $1 a barrel at midday to $36.20 a barrel, after falling $5.60 - or 13.7 percent - in the prior two days.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - also rose $1 to stand at $31.80 a barrel at midday. Dubai Light had declined $4.55, a 12.8 percent decline, Monday and Tuesday.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt-delivery WTI was up $1.65 to $35.60 a barrel.

Sun Co., based in Radnor, Pa., and Marathon Oil Co., USX Corp.'s Findlay, Ohio-based unit, raised the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead by $3.25 a barrel to $36 a barrel for WTI, more than eliminating Tuesday's $3 reduction.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	32.90-32.90	30.80-30.85
North Sea Brent	37.85-37.95	35.20-35.30
West Texas Intermed	37.30-37.35	33.95-34.00
Light Louisiana Sweet	38.55-38.65	35.05-35.20
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	95.90-96.15	89.95-90.20
No. 2 Heating oil	97.67-97.90	90.75-91.00
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		

Unleaded gasoline	91.15-91.40	85.45-85.95
No. 2 Heating oil	96.10-96.30	89.00-89.25

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net	Chg.
20 Bonds	89.15	up	0.04
10 Public Utils	90.70	off	0.10
10 Industrials	87.60	up	0.17

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	351.45	off	4.94	350.03	479.32
Industrial	373.85	off	6.62	374.88	464.18
Finance	348.47	off	1.94	345.72	565.45
Insurance	413.21	off	3.35	414.23	544.77
Utility	486.04	off	5.58	469.11	776.31
Bank	253.87	off	1.39	253.72	477.41
Transport	394.51	off	5.44	389.30	480.76

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 341.19

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 153.91 off 2.23

Industrial Index 147.73 off 2.72

NASDAQ-100 Index 361.01 off 8.83

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
30 Indus	2504.46	2534.65	2470.79	2489.36	off	15.84
20 Trans	897.74	900.70	876.29	882.77	off	12.02
15 Utils	202.65	205.29	201.33	202.46	off	0.32
65 Stock	886.40	895.17	873.10	879.34	off	6.52

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	15,549,000	25,721,300
Trans	1,941,200	4,770,900
Utils	2,861,900	3,179,600
65 Stock	20,352,100	33,671,800

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.15	up 0.04
10 Public Utils	90.70	off 0.10
10 Industrials	87.60	up 0.17

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 131.31 up 0.81.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - A device may be able to identify mechanical heart valves in danger of failing, a study showed Wednesday, but the government wants more tests before it is approved for that use.

In the study published in the American Journal of Cardiology, developers of the Valve-Tracker Two said their computerized, accoustical device may offer a way to detect recipients of Bjork-Shiley heart valves that are at high risk of failure.

About 86,000 people were implanted with the Bjork-Shiley ''convexo- concave'' heart valve, which was voluntarily withdrawn from the market in 1986 - five years after the first reports of life-threatening valve fractures surfaced.

At least 50,000 people worldwide still have the valves in their chests, including about 20,000 in the United States. At least 250 people have died of fractured valves, although consumer groups estimate the toll may be as high as 750 because not all the deaths have been reported to officials.

In August, Shiley Inc. of Irvine, Calif., a subsidiary of Pfizer Inc., of New York, announced plans to notify all patients who have the devices in their chests of possible dangers. The company had previously only sent warning letters to surgeons who implanted the devices.

Currently, no methods are available to doctors to test valve recipients to see if their valves have a closure pattern that Pfizer engineers say causes the devices to fail.

The Food and Drug Administration has refused to approve a request by Gerald Kien, of Barrington, Ill., developer of the Valve-Tracker Two, to market his device for screening patients with potentially defective Bjork-Shiley valves,

FDA spokeswoman Susan Cruzan said.

The agency wanted Kien to conduct further tests on patients to prove that the device, which uses a highly sensitive microphone to record the valve's sound pattern, is an accurate predictor of valve failure.

In an interview with The Wall Street Journal, Kien said it would be ''impossible'' to determine the accuracy of his device in that fashion because it would involve waiting for patients with defective valves to die or undergo open heart surgery.

However, Cruzan said the agency fears if the Valve-Tracker Two is approved before its effectiveness is proven, doctors needlessly may conduct surgery on patients with good heart valves. The risk of dying from the open heart surgery required to remove the valve is about 5 percent, compared to an annual death risk of about .02 percent to 1.1 percent of keeping the old valve in place.

''If I had a Bjork-Shiley valve, I'd sure as hell want the thing recorded'' on the Valve-Tracker Two,'' Richard Donnerstein, a cardiologist at the University of Arizona, told The Wall Street Journal. Donnerstein said results of the new scientific study will probably prompt many heart doctors to want to use the device as a way of double- checking the status of patients with the valves.

Valve-Tracker Two is already approved for tracing abnormal blood flow through the heart. Doctors are allowed to use FDA-approved devices for any use they deem fit, but many insurers refuse to pay for procedures involving devices used outside their FDA-authorized purpose.

In the study, which tested the Valve-Tracker Two on a heart simulator in an FDA laboratory, Kien's team found normal valves made a short, sharp noise when closing, while ones with the closure defect made a longer, duller sound. Also, a small test of 36 patients with potentially defective Bjork-Shiley heart valves found that all of their valves sounded like they were functioning normally.

FDA officials said Pfizer is currently working on its own methods of detecting the defective heart valves in patients.

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BOGOTA, COLOMBIA (OCT. 3) UPI - A recent explosion at a cocaine laboratory suggests the intensifying war against the drug cartels is driving production from large jungle complexes to smaller operations in the cities, a military leader said Wednesday.

A house containing what appeared to be a cocaine production facility exploded Tuesday in the city of Medellin, killing nine people, five of them children.

Officials said volatile chemicals needed to produce cocaine and dynamite were stored in the house and exploded, apparently by accident, officials said.

The laboratory was at least the third found recently in Medellin, the headquarters city of a cartel of cocaine traffickers 160 miles northwest of Bogota.

Gen. Harold Bedoya, commander of the army's 4th Brigade in Medellin, said anti-drug operations in rural areas of the region may be driving the laboratories into the cities.

''This is a hypothesis that because of the number of operations being carried out by the National Police and the army these laboratories have been moved to cities as small laboratories,'' Bedoya told a Bogota radio station.

''Then instead of producing 1,000 kilos, 1500 kilos (2,200-3,300 pounds) in a big laboratory they are producing 10 kilos (22 pounds) in a house per week.''

Cocaine in recent years has been made mostly in large complexes hidden in the Colombian jungle. From 1987 until June 1990, police and the armed forces raided 3,214 cocaine production facilities, according to government figures.

The explosion also wounded 57 people, 12 of them seriously, and destroyed six houses.

Bedoya also said another theory is that the house was being used to store chemicals for cocaine laboratories elsewhere.

The general refused comment on whether the explosion could suggest a war between the Cali and Medellin cocaine cartels.

The war of bombs and murders between the rival cartels for control of the U.S. market was touched off Jan. 13, 1988, when the Cali cartel bombed a building in Medellin where kingpin Pablo Escobar was staying. He was not hurt.

A city spokesman said officials believe Tuesday's explosion was accidental. Bedoya said the cause remains under investigation.

Also Wednesday, the government admitted for the first time Wednesday the Medellin cartel of cocaine traffickers kidnapped and was holding seven journalists, including the daughter of a former president.

A statement from the National Security Council said there was sufficient evidence to believe the cartel had kidnapped Diana Turbay de Uribe, daughter of former President Julio Turbay, and Francisco Santos, an editor El Tiempo newspaper and son of publisher Hernando Santos, along with five other journalists.

''In accordance with the information held in reserve by security agencies, there are sufficient indications showing a sector of the so- called Medellin cartel is responsible for the disappearance of the journalists,'' the statement said.

The administration of President Cesar Gaviria had stated previously it did not have enough evidence to indicate the journalists were being held by the cartel despite phone calls to El Tiempo. The caller to the newspaper said Santos, Turbay and the others were being held by The Extraditables, the terror squad associated with the Medellin cartel.

The Security Council statement gave no further details. But it also steps were being taken to halt a wave of kidnappings that have struck Colombia recently, particularly in the city of Medellin.

Santos was kidnapped Sept. 19 by armed men who stopped his armored vehicle and killed his bodyguard in Bogota. Turbay, owner of a television news program and a magazine, and five other journalists and cameramen have been missing since Aug. 30 when they left Bogota to interview the leader of a leftist guerrilla group.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Worthen Bank	1,095,100	10	off	3/4
Salomon wt Jan	526,800	20 1/8	up	1 3/8
Paine W Gr wtB	477,800	9 3/4	up	1 1/8
Hillhaven	427,700	1 1/2	unch	
Contl Air	391,700	4	off	3/8
ENSCO	380,400	3 1/2	unch	
Denmark K wt	377,600	21	up	1 1/4
Dow Chem rt	313,100	6 3/4	off	1/4
Eksport wt	246,100	9 7/8	up	1
BAT Indus	232,400	10 11-16	up	3-16

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Wednesday	367.37	220.66	134.94	20.89	310.40

Tuesday	371.05	224.15	137.39	21.44	315.21
Week ago	359.99	217.74	131.31	20.63	305.06
Month ago	384.35	231.27	129.20	24.05	324.39
Year ago	407.04	318.68	144.43	35.18	356.94
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	355.10	213.23	124.60	19.88	300.97

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BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (OCT. 3) UPI - Serbian-majority towns in Croatia remained tense but calm Wednesday after a night of anti-Croatian attacks and the federal government revealed that Serbs were in possession of large amounts of stolen explosives, weapons and ammunition.

The Croatian Interior Ministry, implementing federal orders to take steps to de-escalate tensions between Yugoslavia's main ethnic groups, announced the completion of withdrawals from Serbian enclaves of heavily armed special paramilitary police.

Milan Brezak, a ministry undersecretary, said in the Croatian capital of Zagreb that authorities were also to free the last 21 Serbs out of hundreds arrested in three days of clashes with Croatian police that began Friday over transfers of police reservists' arms out of five Serbian-dominated towns.

The transfers ignited Serbian fears of persecution by the ruling Croatian Democratic Union that have been fanned for months by Serbian politicians, particularly the ruling communists in Serbia, who have been exploiting nationalist feelings in a bid to survive Dec. 9 multi-party assembly polls in Yugoslavia's largest republic.

Fueling the frictions has been belligerent anti-Serbian rhetoric by Croatian President Franjo Tudjman's party, swept to power on a wave of Croatian nationalism in April in the republic's first free assembly elections since the end of World War II in 1945.

Serbian vigilantes maintained road and rail blockades around the town of Knin, the headquarters of the Serbian National Council, which on Monday announced it was responding to alleged ''state terror'' by assuming political control of enclaves inhabited by Croatia's 600,000 minority Serbs.

The council, which in August won recognition as the main representative of Serbs in Croatia, had said it would comply with federal orders to withdraw the vigilantes and barricades once the Croatian government pulled its paramilitary police out of Serbian towns and freed all Serbs from custody.

Local officials and witnesses reported calm in all Serbian areas of Croatia following a night of anti-Croatian incidents. They included several attacks on

Croatian-owned businesses and private properties in Knin, 310 miles southwest of Belgrade, where Serbs constitute 88 percent of the 50,000 residents.

State-run Zagreb Radio also reported that a Croatian was badly wounded by knife-wielding Serbs, who overturned his car after he hit a Serbian demonstrator during an anti-Croatian rally in the town of Podravska Slatina, located near the Hungarian border.

In another incident near Knin, two police officers from a nearby town were shot and wounded Tuesday night at a roadblock after refusing to surrender their arms to Serbian vigilantes, local officials said.

Meanwhile, in Belgrade, federal Assistant Interior Minister Petar Misovic told a parliamentary committee that tensions in Croatia had brought Serbian-dominated areas ''to the brink of an armed uprising and direct conflicts between the Serbian population and the (Croatian) police force.''

He said Serbs who raided police stations during weekend disturbances in Petrinja, Glina, Dvor Na Uni and Obrovac had stolen 200 rifles, 150 pistols, 23 machineguns, and 110,000 rounds of ammunition.

Serbs in Knin, he said, had heisted 900 pounds of explosives from a local mine.

Tudjman's government on Tuesday offered amnesty to anyone who surrendered stolen weapons.

Misovic confirmed that three police officers - including the two injured Tuesday night - had been wounded since Friday.

Tudjman contends Serbia's communist regime is instigating Serbs in Croatia in a plan to topple his government and defeat its proposal to convert the loose Yugoslav federation of six republics of 23 million people into a confederation of independent states.

Croatians and other minorities fear Serbian domination following the demise earlier this year of strong national communist rule.

Serbian communists, casting themselves as the protectors of Serbs everywhere, back a federal system, in the absense of which they want to absorb Serbian areas now outside their borders.

The dispute has compounded ethnic rivalries, particularly between the 4.6 million Roman Catholic Croats, most of whom live in Croatia, and Yugoslavia's 8.5 million-strong Orthodox Serbian majority, the bulk of which resides in Serbia.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - The painless confirmation of President Bush's first nominee to the Supreme Court seemed to transform the Senate's power to give its advice and consent into the power to join a chorus of affirmation.

But some prominent Democrats are warning that the smooth ride enjoyed by New Hampshire jurist David Souter will not extend to future Bush selections for the high court.

The Senate voted 90-9 Tuesday to confirm Souter. Five days earlier, the Judiciary Committee had endorsed the nomination 13-1. Souter is slated to be sworn in next Tuesday as the 105th member in the court's history.

The chairman of the Judiciary Committee, Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., voted for Souter in the committee and on the floor. But Biden said, ''I want to express the hope that the administration will not learn the wrong lesson'' from such a lopsided vote.

''Our overwhelming approval, in my view, is not a sign that the Senate intends to be lax about exercising its advice-and-consent power or intends to use that power only to screen out extremist nominees,'' Biden said. ''Rather, it is a sign that we take this power seriously and that we intend to exercise it responsibly. And, in doing so, Judge Souter falls within the sphere of candidates acceptable to the Senate.''

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., the only member of the Judiciary Committee to vote against confirmation, was Souter's most outspoken opponent. With his eye on future nominees, Kennedy said, ''No president has a blank check in appointing members to the Supreme Court.''

Democrats are frustrated at the Supreme Court's conservative drift in the past decade. Souter, 51, was the eighth straight justice nominated by a Republican president and, if he matches the tenure of the man he replaces, 34-year court veteran William Brennan, he will serve on the high court until 2024.

Bush could have several Supreme Court vacancies to fill before his current term ends in January 1993. Four members of the court are 70 years old or older: Thurgood Marshall, 82, Harry Blackmun, 81, Byron White, 73, and John Paul Stevens, 70.

Marshall, Blackmun and Stevens make up the remainder of the court's liberal wing. Marshall, the court's only black member, was chosen by President Lyndon Johnson. Blackmun was a nominee of Richard Nixon and Stevens was selected by Gerald Ford. White, the senior justice in terms of service, was named to the bench by John F. Kennedy.

As part of the Constitution's checks and balances among the three branches of government, the president nominates members of the Supreme Court, but the

Senate - using its power to advise and consent - must confirm the lifetime appointment by majority vote.

Souter avoided making the mistakes made in 1987 by Robert Bork, President Ronald Reagan's controversial conservative Supreme Court nominee. While Bork angered his foes during his confirmation hearings and had a record that armed his opponents, Souter, with a virtually barren judicial record, disarmed potential opponents with a charming, thoughtful and humble peformance.

He eluded the wrath of the broad coalition of liberal interest groups that rallied against Bork by voicing a moderate judicial philosophy, although by leaving his views on abortion a mystery he triggered the opposition of many women's groups.

Biden emphasized that extremism is not the only reason to vote against a nominee. He said a nominee would be ''unacceptable'' if he - or she - fails to recognize rights that are not specifically listed in the Constitution, such as privacy rights, or maintain a broad view of the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment, which has benefited to women and minorities.

''Just as the burden is on the president to convince the American people to vote for him to be president, is on every senator and Congressperson to convince the people in their state to vote for them to have this power, it is also a burden that is on the nominee to be given such awesome power for a lifetime,'' Biden said. ''Any future nominee who fails to meet that burden - and I emphasize again how close I believe this nominee came to that line - will be vigorously opposed.''

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#90276u1829 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 3) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5900	off	100
CapCiti/ABC	483	off	8
Woolwrth pfA	145	up	7
Dillard Dept Str	75 1/4	off	5
Phila Ee pfD	48	up	5
Household pfD	70	off	4
MCA Corp	63 1/2	up	3 7/8
Hall F B pfB	43	up	3 3/4
Unisys pfA	10 1/8	off	3 3/8
Wst Pt Peprl	25 1/8	up	3 1/4

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#90276u1835 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - National Broadcasting Co. used the possible sale of MCA Inc. to a Japanese company to call Wednesday for the repeal of government rules that limit network ownership in television programs they broadcast.

NBC President Robert Wright stressed at a news conference that his network had no objection and no comment on the possibility of MCA merging with Japan's giant Matsushita Electrical Industrial Co.

But such a transaction would be another example of foreign ownership of major Hollywood studios, Wright said, that are growing so big and powerful that they are swallowing up America's independent television production industry, which is so important to networks.

Unless the Federal Communications Commission repeals the Financial Interest and Syndication Rules, Wright said, ''within three to five years production of America's television programming will be 100 percent controlled by a half dozen major studios, a majority of which will be foreign-owned.''

The rules prohibit the major commercial networks - NBC, CBS and ABC - from investing in independent producers for ownership rights in programming. The rules also ban networks from selling programs to local television stations as re-runs, a business worth $3 billion a year.

The FCC imposed the rules in 1970 when it concluded the networks enjoyed too much power over producers in buying programs for broadcast. The networks contend they no longer have that cartel-like power, and that the rules give an unfair competitive advantage to movie studios that are not restricted in financing and owning programming for networks.

The networks have asked the FCC to overturn the 1970 rule, and have been opposed bitterly by studios represented by the Motion Picture Association of America.

One independent producer in Los Angeles, Leonard Hill of Leonard Hill Films, rejected Wright's argument.

''It is a wolf-in-sheep's-clothing argument, using the specter of the Japanese purchase of American studios as a pretext for seeking the substantial deregulation of the networks,'' Hill said, adding that independent producers still need protection from networks.

''It's not reasonable to expect the networks will act at arm's length in negotiations with independent producers,'' Hill added.

Wright said NBC wants the right to invest in independent production companies to keep that industry alive in the face of growing studio power. The networks need independent producers to assure a supply of quality programming, Wright

said.

Even now, he added, the eight major studios that belong to the MPAA supply 72 percent of the networks' 1990 prime time programming, including the Fox network.

In addition, the major studios now control nearly 60 percent of revenues from domestic re-runs and 80 percent of foreign syndication revenues, according to a NBC study that Wright is submitting to the FCC.

Three major studios already are owned, or in the process of being owned, by foreign interests. Japan's Sony Corp. owns Columbia Pictures, Australia's News Corp. owns Twentieth Century Fox, as well as the Fox television network; and Italian financier Giancarlo Parretti is now acquiring MGM/UA Communications Co.

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#90276u1848 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	8	13	4
New lows	104	82	301

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	563	35,711,600
Declines	956	84,699,400
Unchanged	434	15,079,000
Total	1,953	135,490,000

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#90276u1849 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	356.38	351.12	351.45	off 4.94
Industrial	380.17	373.19	373.85	off 6.62
Finance	350.80	348.11	348.47	off 1.94
Insurance	416.91	412.75	413.21	off 3.35
Utility	494.05	485.60	486.04	off 5.58
Bank	255.42	252.84	253.87	off 1.39
Transport	400.19	392.47	394.51	off 5.44

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (9-27) 341.19

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985

equals 250)
Composite Index 153.91 off 2.23
Industrial Index 147.73 off 2.72
NASDAQ-100 Index 361.01 off 8.83
(largest non-fin'cl)
Average price per share 7.98 off 0.12
Volume 86,955,600 shares
Advances 590
Declines 911
Unchanged 1,298
Total 2,799

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austral	.000185	.000182	5419.00	5507.00
Australia dlr	.8335	.8295	1.1998	1.2055
Austria schill	.0919	.0913	10.88	10.95
Belgium franc-c	.0315	.0312	31.75	32.05
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0122	.0122	81.97	88.77
Britain pound	1.9020	1.8870	.5258	.5299
Britain 1-mo	1.8913	1.8759	.5287	.5331
Britain 3-mo	1.8705	1.8562	.5346	.5387
Britain 6-mo	1.8435	1.8287	.5424	.5468
Canada dollar	.8688	.8661	1.1510	1.1546
Canada 1-mo	.8654	.8628	1.1555	1.1590
Canada 3-mo	.8595	.8573	1.1634	1.1665
Canada 6-mo	.8516	.8494	1.1743	1.1773
Chile peso-f	.003473	.003478	287.90	287.53
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001914	.001916	522.44	522.01
Denmark krne	.1692	.1681	5.9115	5.9488
Ecudr sucre-z	.001193	.001183	838.50	845.33
Egypt pound	.3706	.3706	2.6983	2.6983
Finlnd mrkka	.2724	.2709	3.6715	3.6920
France franc	.1937	.1924	5.1630	5.1985
France 1-mo	.1934	.1921	5.1710	5.2067
France 3-mo	.1927	.1914	5.1904	5.2260
France 6-mo	.1916	.1902	5.2205	5.2570
Greece drach	.006543	.006542	152.83	152.86

Hollnd guildr	.5754	.5719	1.7380	1.7485
HongKong dlr	.1289	.1289	7.7590	7.7600
India rupee	.0558	.0558	17.93	17.93
Indo'sa rupia	.000541	.000541	1847.00	1847.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7370	1.7245	0.5757	0.5799
Israel shekel	.4990	.5003	2.0040	1.9990
Italy lira	.000866	.000861	1155.00	1161.50
Japan yen	.007350	.007313	136.05	136.75
Japan 1-mo	.007369	.007329	135.70	136.45
Japan 3-mo	.007361	.007334	135.85	136.35
Japan 6-mo	.007365	.007338	135.77	136.27
Jordan dinar	1.5603	1.5579	.6409	.6419
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000347	2880.00	2879.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6200	.6182	1.6129	1.6176
Norway krne	.1666	.1660	6.0020	6.0250
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	434,400	431,430
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007305	.007294	136.89	137.09
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5697	.5683	1.7554	1.7595
S.Africa rand	.3906	.3901	2.5600	2.5635
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010336	.010262	96.75	97.45
Sweden krona	.1754	.1745	5.7020	5.7300
Switzrl franc	.7788	.7749	1.2840	1.2905
Switzrl 1-mo	.7791	.7746	1.2835	1.2910
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7791	.7747	1.2836	1.2909
Switzrl 6-mo	.7781	.7744	1.2852	1.2914
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.79	26.80
Turkey lira	.000369	.000370	2711.00	2701.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Venez bolivr-z	.0209	.0210	47.77	47.67
W.Ger Mark	.6483	.6445	1.5425	1.5515
W.Ger 1-mo	.6482	.6445	1.5428	1.5517
W.Ger 3-mo	.6475	.6438	1.5443	1.5532
W.Ger 6-mo	.6460	.6424	1.5480	1.5567
Yugosl dinar	.0940	.0935	10.64	10.69

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	106,028,600
Advances	737
Declines	1,091
Unchanged	2,411
Total	4,239

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#90276u1864 10/03/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	172.77	170.65	170.80	off 1.79
Industrial	215.56	213.08	213.08	off 1.89
Transport	136.65	134.81	134.81	off 2.10
Utility	86.73	85.77	85.77	off 1.14
Finance	113.22	111.89	111.89	off 1.87

Equivalent to a loss of 31 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 135,490,000 shares.

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#90276u1866 10/03/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - An Illinois congressman, warning of health hazards for U.S. military personnel, is criticizing a tobacco company's plans to send free cigarettes to troops in deployed to the Middle East.

''Why don't they send their lethal products to the Iraqi army,'' asked Rep. Richard Durbin, D-Ill., in a brief speech to the House Tuesday.

Durbin said the Brown & Williamson Co., of Louisville, Ky., announced plans to send the free cigarettes to U.S. troops ''to show their company's support and patriotism.''

As a result, Durbin said, ''American troops in the Persian Gulf could be subjected to a new form of chemical warfare with the full approval of the U.S. Department of Defense.''

''American servicemen, bored silly in the desert, will be invited to pass the time developing a nicotine addiction. Then they can return home like their fathers and grandfathers who served in World War II, hooked on smoking,'' Durbin said.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.22	8.32	9.05
91-day Treasury bills	7.40	7.41	7.79
182-day Treasury bills	7.55	7.55	7.88
1-year Treasury bills	7.61	7.61	7.81
3-year Treasury notes	8.06	8.06	8.36
7-year Treasury notes	8.61	8.58	8.29
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.87	8.83	8.16
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.23	9.23	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.90	9.85	9.19
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.15	9.15	9.20
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.39	9.39	9.19
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.44	9.42	9.36
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.42	9.40	9.34

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90276u1881 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

ANKARA, Turkey (OCT. 3) UPI - Turkey said Wednesday that it has so far inspected seven aircraft bound for Baghdad, but needed assistance from other countries in enforcing the U.N.-sponsored air embargo on Iraq.

Ferhat Ataman, a Foreign Ministry spokesman, said that since the U.N. Security Council imposed an air embargo on Iraq Sept. 27, Turkey has ordered seven planes bound for Baghdad to land for inspection.

These included an Aeroflot passenger plane, three Indian military planes, one Polish and two Romanian planes. All were passing through Turkish air space

when they were ordered to land for inspection of their cargoes. They were later given permission to fly to Baghdad.

But Ataman said: ''It is unjustified to expect Turkey to take the role of watchdog.'' He said the aircraft should be inspected at the point of loading. ''The main responsibility lies with the countries where the loading occurs,'' Ataman said.

He said Turkey has received $75 million of a total of $300 million pledged by the Emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al Ahmed al Sabah, to compensate Ankara for financial losses it incurred by complying with U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

The money, sent out of the emir's personal assets, arrived recently at the Turkish Central Bank and represented the first, and so far the only, compensation Turkey has received. Ankara expects its losses to total $6 to $7 billion.

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#90276u1915 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

CLEVELAND (OCT. 3) UPI - George Brett, who spent four months raising his average, has gone down in history.

Brett, a .200 hitter on May 7, won the American League batting title Wednesday with a .329 average. He became the only player to win it in three decades, and the third-oldest man to do so.

Brett singled in his only official at-bat Wednesday in Kansas City's season-ending, 5-2 loss to the Cleveland Indians. That forced Oakland's Rickey Henderson to go 3-for-3, which he did not do. Henderson removed himself after going 1-for-3 and wound up at .325.

''I'm just glad I don't have to wait through this any more,'' Brett said after ending his season but before Henderson finished. ''It was stressful. Physically, I felt fine. Mentally, I was stressed out. I think the days off helped.''

Cleveland used four two-out singles in the fourth to score two runs and went on to beat the Royals 5-2 in the final game of the season.

Starting with the first week in May, Brett went 160 for 449, a .356 pace, and he hit .389 since the All-Star break. He said the media and radio talk shows were saying he was washed up, and for a time he believed it.

''I started believing it. I think that's why it took so long to come out of the slump. To come back and fight adversity it's been a good lesson for me this year.''

Brett did not start and pinch-hit for Sean Berry in the fifth with Russ Morman on third and one out. He fouled off the first pitch from Sergio Valdez before lifting a sacrfice fly that drove in Morman and kept his average at .3278.

In the seventh, Brett lined a 2-1 pitch from reliever Mauro Gozzo to right field for a single, raising his average to .3290. Bo Jackson pinch-hit for Brett with two outs in the ninth. Oakland's Rickey Henderson needs to go 3-for-3 to pass Brett.

Only Ted Williams and Honus Wagner won titles at an older age than Brett, 37. Brett won batting titles in 1976 with a .333 average and in 1980 with a .390 mark.

Valdez, 6-6, pitched six innings to win for the fourth time in his last five decisions. Doug Jones pitched the ninth for his 43rd save.

''The first time I was a little nervous,'' Brett said. ''I've never been a good pinch-hitter. The second at bat, when I knew I was going to bat all the way, I was more relaxed and the results showed that. I was in control out there.''

After the hit, Brett received an ovation from the crowd of 5,196 and from the Indians.

''I felt like I could have lifted the stadium, I felt that strong,'' Brett said of his emotions while standing on first base. ''I felt that good. To see the Indians players come over and whistle and say good going.''

Manager John Wathan pinch-hit Bo Jackson for Brett with two outs in the ninth, and said the plan all along was to give Brett one at bat to try and increase his lead over Henderson. Brett started the day with a .3272 average to Henderson's .3251.

''He's a great player,'' Wathan said. ''For him to do that in three different decades shows how great he's been. I was excited. Tickled to death. Any big situation, he's the guy that you want up there. He'll come through in the clutch.''

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#90276u1934 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941- 43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	372.97	366.46	367.37	off 3.68
20 Trans	224.70	220.27	220.66	off 3.49
40 Utils	137.39	134.88	134.94	off 2.45

40 Fncl	21.44	20.83	20.89	off 0.55
500 Stocks	316.26	310.70	311.40	off 3.81

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#90276u1953 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

ANTELIAS, LEBANON (OCT. 3) UPI - Christians loyal to rebel Gen. Michel Aoun Wednesday buried seven of the 25 people killed Monday when troops imposing a 6-day government siege on an enclave controlled by Aoun opened fire on demonstrators.

About 7,000 grieving civilians, many in tears, held a funeral in front of a brick-roofed church in the Christian town of Antelias just north of Beirut for the victims of Monday's shooting.

Witnesses said Monday the fatal shots were fired from positions manned by soldiers loyal to President Elias Hrawi and militiamen loyal to Samir Geagea around the 100-square-mile enclave of Aoun loyalists.

Hrawi denied responsibility for the bloody incident. Geagea's militia said some of its gunmen opened fire in response to shots from pro-Aoun demonstrators.

The pro-Syrian army warned Aoun's followers Wednesday not to hold scheduled demonstrations near two passageways within the enclave.

''We declare that these regions are mined military zones and citizens are barred from reaching them,'' the army statement said.

In Washington, the United States said it ''deplores the loss of innocent life in this incident.'' ''We believe that General Aoun should leave Ba'abda Palace and turn over control of the Lebanese armed forces to the legitimate government in order to reduce the likelihood of further violence in the future '' State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

Outside the Mar Elias church, where flag-draped coffins lay in front of stricken-relatives, hundreds of citizens of the beleagured enclave expressed anger against the blockade and vowed loyalty to Aoun, a Christian general who refuses to recognize Hrawi's government.

Many protestors became infuriated as a cleric representing Maronite Patriarch Nasrallah Sfair started to speak in the square, policed by Aoun's troops.

''The (Maronite) patriarch should be ousted,'' chanted dozens of people. ''We don't want clerics.''

The crowd cheered as Brig. Edgar Maalouf, an adviser to Aoun, joined the procession, chanting ''we redeem you with our blood General Aoun.''

In Rome, Pope John Paul II condemned the new violence and said the Lebanese have become ''hostagea of violence and hate.''

Aoun, 55, a Maronite former army commander, has sought to establish himself as Lebanon's ruler and to discredit other authoritative leaders, notably Hrawi and the patriarch.

The general and his 15,000-strong army have been fighting since January to destroy Geagea's 10,000-member militia after failing to force Syria to pull out its 35,000 troops in a ''war of liberation'' last year.

The fighting has killed more than 2,500 people and forced 200,000 others in the 310-sq-mile Christian enclave to flee the country or to seek refuge in safer Lebanese areas.

Hrawi's forces blocked all entrances to Aoun's region last week, barring the entry of food, gasoline and other essential materials.

''Our God is Aoun ... down with the clerics,'' yelled some protestors, carrying a placard that said: ''We cry over the patriarch who has gone astray.''

A mob loyal to Aoun stormed the patriarch's seat last November and humiliated Sfair after the general warned him not to interfere in politics.

The patriarch has called for a settlement to end the country's civil rebellion that has killed more than 130,000 people since 1975.

A 35-year-old doctor, who refused to give his name, said, ''We consider the patriarch as the godfather of the Taif agreement.''

The Taif agreement is an internationally backed peace treaty worked out in the Saudi resort town of Taif last October by the Lebanese Parliament to end the 15-year-old civil war.

The agreement gave the Moslems more of a voice, ending more than 40 years of Maronite dominance. But Aoun rejected it on grounds it did not ensure a speedy and complete withdrawal of Syria's troops.

''This siege has boosted our loyalty to Aoun,'' said a 30-year-old architect and the father of three children, who asked anonymity.

''We don't care about food or money. Remember Kuwait,'' he said hinting at thousands of Lebanese who lost jobs and savings in Kuwait after it was invaded by Iraq August 2.

Life appeared at a near standstill in the enclave, populated by 800, 000

people, as a result of the blockade. Most shops and businesses were shut, traffic was very light and all gasoline stations were closed.

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#90276u1958 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - The five-day U.S. ban on imports of Chilean fruit last year, prompted by two grapes tainted with cyanide, was justified, congressional investigators said Wednesday.

The Chilean Exporters Association says the ban resulted in $333 million in lost sales and unexpected expenses, such as destroying fruit and toughening security operations.

Imports were suspended March 13, 1989, after cyanide was found in two grapes aboard the freighter Almeria Star at Philadelphia. The discovery followed two telephone calls to the U.S. Embassy in Santiago alleging food shipments had been poisoned.

Some critics have suggested Chile should sue the United States over the incident. They point to studies, commissioned by the exporters, that suggest the grapes were not handled properly or may have been contaminated - either accidentally or intentionally - in the United States.

The studies suggest cyanide, if injected into the grapes in Chile, would have dissipated rapidly and the fruit would not have looked like the grapes cited in the U.S. ban.

However, a review by the congressional General Accounting Office concluded the Food and Drug Administration was on solid ground in shutting off the imports until a screening system could be set up to assure food purity.

In a report scheduled for release Friday obtained by United Press International, GAO investigators said, ''We found that FDA's discovery of cyanide in Chilean grapes was based on generally accepted tests that were conducted properly.

''Based on its findings, FDA acted within its legal authority.''

In addition, the report cited a number of studies showing ''grapes and other fruit appeared normal for two weeks or more after injection (with cyanide) before they began to change color, form or texture.''

An FDA study said some fruit, when refrigerated, retained normal appearance for up to 16 days and retained cyanide at the levels that prompted the ban.

Fruit on the Almeria Star was refrigerated during its 13-day voyage.

FDA conducted two tests to confirm the presence of cyanide in the suspect grapes. The agency also has said lab workers smelled cyanide.

The GAO did not comment on estimates of losses to Chile's economy but noted that shipments to the United States rebounded to record levels in the sales year following the grape scare. The United States is the No. 1 market for Chilean fruit.

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#90276u1972 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Currency players sold the dollar Wednesday in New York after Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan confirmed interest rates would descend if Congress passed legislation to cut the size of the federal budget deficit.

The dollar dropped to a new record low against the German mark, closing at 1.5415 marks vs. 1.5485 Tuesday. The dollar's previous low close for the New York market was 1.5445 marks, set Aug. 23.

In late New York trading, the dollar was also quoted at 135.75 Japanese yen, down from 136.75 the previous day.

Foreign-exchange dealers said Greenspan's testimony to a congressional panel, in which he warned that failure to pass the legislation so President Bush can sign it into law would be a ''grave mistake,'' gave the market a green light to sell the dollar.

There was a ''complete, total dollar sell-off,'' said Michael McGuinness, a vice president with Harris Bank in Chicago.

Greenspan, in effect, ''told everybody what they wanted to hear, that if this budget backage goes through ... he'll go along with it'' by easing the Federalfunds interest rate the central bank uses to signal policy.

Added National Westminster Bank trader Hank Weiland: ''Greenspan confirming it just made the market more sure.''

McGuinness said the market is convinced Congress will approve the deficit legislation by late this week, despite pockets of opposition. That would allow the Fed to lower the Federal funds rate to 7.75 percent from 8 percent, according to McGuinness.

He said some participants believed the closely watched rate, applied to loans of reserve funds made by one bank to another, could drop as soon as Friday if the U.S. unemployment data for September due out that morning are very bad.

The British pound moved up to $1.9020 from $1.8920.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2825 Swiss francs, off from 1.2880; 5.1690 French francs, off from 5.1900; and 1,154.80 Italian lire, off from 1,159.30.

In European trading, the dollar was lower against the main currencies after traders sold it on rumors of lower U.S. interest rates.

''I suspect the dollar will recover, but not today,'' said Henry Bennett, a currency analyst with investment bank Williams de Broe Ltd. ''The market is currently reacting to anything.''

German markets were closed for the day in honor of the official beginning of a unified Germany.

In London, the pound gained on the U.S. unit to close at $1.9005 vs. Tuesday's $1.8870. The dollar also fell in Zurich, to 1.2850 Swiss francs vs. 1.2955.

The dollar depreciated in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively: 5.1980 French francs vs. 5.2220; 31.88 Belgian francs vs. 32.07, and 1,162.15 Italian lire vs. 1162.55.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar slipped marginally against the yen in moderate trading amid bearish prospects for the U.S. economy. The U.S. unit closed at 136.65 yen, down from 136.73 at Tuesday's close.

But most players stood aside. ''The market couldn't move either way because of the bearish U.S. economic outlook and unstable Tokyo stock market,'' said NBD Bank currency manager Tomigishe Kobayashi.

Gold closed higher in Zurich, at $390.50 an ounce vs. $388.75, and in London, at $390.25 an ounce vs. $388.50.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $394.25 an ounce, up from $389.50 Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $393.90 an ounce, up from $389.10.

Silver was unchanged in both Zurich, at $4.70 an ounce, and London, at $4.71 an ounce.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.71 an ounce, up from $4.70. Comex silver ended trading at $4.69 an ounce, an advance from $4.679.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (OCT. 3) UPI - Egyptian Interior Minister Mohammed Abdul Halim Moussa said Egypt has arrested a number of pro-Iraqi Palestinian extremists and seized arms and explosives they planned to use in terrorist attacks.

In remarks published Wednesday in the leading Egyptian weekly magazine al Mussawar, Moussa said the terrorists included members of the radical Palestinian group of radical Palestinian leader Sabri el Banah, better known as Abu Nidal.

Abu Nidal heads the Fatah Revolutionary Council, a splinter group of Yasser Arafat's Fatah mainstream within the Palestine Liberation Ogranization.

Moussa did not say how many extemists had been arrested, but said other elements involved were residing in Egypt and planned together to carry out acts of subversion in the country.

Asked if Egypt expected terrorist attacks by pro-Iraqi Palestinians because of Cairo's opposition to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, Moussa said, ''Members of Abu Nidal's groups and others have been sent to Egypt and we are now interrogating them on various charges of terrorism.''

''They planned to carry out subversive operations and assault a number of persons they could reach,'' Moussa said. ''These groups have been arrested ... and the arms, bombs and explosives at their disposal were seized.''

Moussa said a number of the Palestinian terrorists used false Egyptian passports to enter the country with specific terrorist tasks to accomplish in Egypt.

The minister also said three Iraqi nationals used false Egyptian passports to enter the country but that they asked for political asylum because they did not want to join the Iraqi army.

Moussa also said in other remarks published in the newspaper Al Gomhuria that subversive elements from three different Arab countries he did not name were also arrested but again gave no no further details.

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#90276u1979 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - As the House moved toward a showdown vote on a bipartisan budget plan, lawmakers in both parties agonized over their decisions Wednesday and President Bush warned that unless it passes ''we are courting disaster in this country.''

The House was set to take the first critical vote Thursday on a budget resolution that adopts the outlines of the bipartisan agreement reached Sunday between Bush and congressional leaders after four months of hard bargaining.

Head counters on both sides said Wednesday the outcome was still in doubt, but one key Democratic congressman said chances were ''better than 50-50'' the

measure would pass.

''I think it's up in the air,'' said Assistant House Republican leader Newt Gingrich of Georgia, who has broken with Bush and who opposes the plan.

The way was cleared for the showdown vote Wednesday when a House- Senate budget conference committee quickly approved a budget plan that substituted the bipartisan agreement's numbers for those approved earlier in the year.

The House vote Thurday also will instruct various House committees how to implement the specific tax increases and spending cuts contained in the $500 billion deficit cutting plan.

The five-year plan includes $134 billion in new gasoline, cigarette, alcohol, airline and other taxes and fees, $67 billion in defense cuts over three years limiting domestic spending increases to the rate of inflation, a $60 billion cut in Medicare and new tax breaks for investing in small companies.

Failure to adopt the deficit cutting package by Friday, and to pass separate implementing legislation by Oct. 19, would trigger up to $105.7 billion in automatic spending cuts required under the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law.

Those cuts, split between defense and domestic programs, would devastate federal services from air traffic control to meat inspection and disease research.

At the White House, Bush canceled a New England political swing to continue meeting with and telephoning undecided or wavering House Republicans, who apparently hold the key to the plan's success on Capitol Hill.

A majority of House Democrats are expected to back the plan, although there is significant liberal opposition, and it appears it will pass the Senate, which has scheduled a vote for Friday.

So most attention has focused on House Republicans, where several GOP leaders, including Gingrich, are bucking Bush and House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois and opposing the plan.

A majority in each party in each house must vote to approve the plan to ensure passage. That will prevent one party from blaming the other for the politically painful parts of the agreement a month before November's congressional elections.

At a news conference, Bush warned that failure to pass the plan would create economic chaos.

''If we linger along and don't get a deal, I'll tell you we are courting disaster in this country,'' said Bush, who appealed for support in a

nationally televised address Tuesday night. ''The overall good things outweigh the negative. And besides, the country has got to be governed.''

He urged Congress to support the plan ''and to prove to the American people that we can solve problems, that we can go out and get something done and put this nation back on the path to long-term economic growth.''

On Capitol Hill, however, members of both parties agonized. Both sides predicted that while the plan should pass, in part due to Bush's personal lobbying of Republicans, the outcome remains in doubt.

The vote appeared particularly tough for conservative Republicans, who were forced to choose between ideology and political loyalty to a popular president who is putting his credibility on the line to win passage.

''This is an agonizing process,'' said Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill, who said he was ''leaning no.''

Hyde said he declined repeated invitations to meet with Bush at the White House because ''I don't want the pressure'' and because ''I want to decide my vote without extraneous considerations.''

''I don't want to decide this issue on the basis of loyalty but what's good for the country and the economy,'' Hyde said. ''I don't expect to make up my mind until the (House electronic voting) board is lit up and the time is getting down to the precious few seconds.''

Hyde said that for most Republicans, he felt ''the politics more than the economics'' of the vote will decide the outcome because ''it's a leap in the dark economically.''

''I was trying to find some way to help him out and I just can't,'' said Rep. Robert Dornan, R-Calif., a Bush backer. ''I agonized to find a way to help the president. ... I kept looking around in the manure pile for the pony and guess what? I couldn't find the pony.''

Rep. Pat Schroeder, D-Colo., said she was undecided but dislikes the plan.

''I really think it stinks,'' Schroeder said. ''I think all Democrats look at this package and wonder how they keep a large 'D' behind their name and vote yes. It's very unfair to the middle class.''

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#90276u1982 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 433.29, off 0.95 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90276u1999 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 3) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev sent a senior aide on a ''special mission'' to the Middle East Wednesday and President Francois Mitterrand headed to the region as Iraq offered to release all French hostages apparently in response to the French leader's peace proposal.

Gilles Munier, chairman of the French-Iraqi Friendship Association, told reporters in Amman, Jordan, that while he was in Baghdad, the Iraqi government told him it ''was willing to release all French hostages if a top official from the (French) government or opposition goes to Iraq.''

The French hostages are believed to be held along with other Westerners at key sites as a human shield against possible attack by the U.S.-led multinational force in the gulf region.

The flurry of diplomatic activity came amid the arrival in Amman, Jordan, of nine French hostages released earlier. France's Ambassador in Amman, Denis Pouehard, said the former hostages, who include three French Moslems, ''were all in good health'' and would leave for Paris later Wednesday.

The release of the Frenchmen and the more generous offer to release all French hostages followed Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's stated willingness to consider the peace plan Mitterrand presented at the United Nations last week, which calls among other things for a complete Iraqi withdrawal from occupied Kuwait.

President Bush has praised the French initiative, and doing so, offered optimism that the crisis could be resolved peacefully,

Saddam Hussein reportedly made his first visit to Kuwait Wednesday since the Aug. 2 invasion, and Iraqi Television showed footage of the Iraqi leader being being warmly greeted and scenes from Kuwait City with classical music playing in the background.

The official Iraqi News Agency said the Iraqi leader toured streets ''that appeared flourishing afters its return to the mother homeland'' and met with soldiers who reportedly told him they were ready to die to defend their country.

As the Iraqi leader toured Kuwait, Mitterrand arrived in Abu Dhabi on a surprise visit to inspect French troops in the Persian Gulf region as part of the multinational force deployed to counter Iraqi aggression.

He was to board the French frigate Dupleix to meet Thursday with French

commanders in the region. Later Thursday, Mitterrand planned to travel to Saudi Arabia to meet with King Fahd before going on to the Red Sea port of Yanbu to chat with some of the 4,000 Foreign Legionnaires and other troops.

As part of the apparently more conciliatory political climate, Gorbachev dispatched a senior aide to the Middle East Wednesday on a ''special mission '' but it was not immediately known if the envoy would meet the Iraqi leader.

State-run Amman Radio said King Hussein received Yevgeny Primakov, a member of Gorbachev's presidential council and a Middle East expert, in Amman on Wednesday and received a message from Gorbachev. The Jordanian radio gave no details of the message or the talks.

Primakov was also scheduled to meet PLO leader Yasser Arafat.

The official Tass news agency did not specify whether the trip was related to the gulf crisis, describing it as ''a special mission from the head of state'' Gorbachev.

Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, also in the region, held talks in Cairo with his Egyptian counterpart Atef Sedki, and Egyptian newspapers said Tokyo had pledged to give $600 million in aid and soft loans to frontline states such as Egypt, Jordan and Turkey which have suffered economic hardship because of the crisis.

Kaifu arrived later in the day in Amman, part of his seven-day, five- nation tour. A spokesman said Kaifu may meet with Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan, ''depending on the prime minister's schedule.''

In Larnaca, Cyprus, authorities detained the Honduran-registered tanker Fiona and arrested its Lebanese officers on suspicion of breaching U.N. sanctions by transporting Iraqi oil to Lebanon, a Cypriot government official said Wednesday. Shipping insurers Lloyd's of London said samples of oil taken from the Fiona were ''sent to England for analysis and verification of origin, as no certificate of origin exists on board.''

The Fiona investigation is the first since the U.N. sanctions were imposed.

The Cypriot official told United Press International in a telephone interview the Fiona was believed to have sailed from the Turkish port of Dortyol, where Iraq's trans-Turkey pipeline ends, to the Christian Lebanese port of Jounieh.

One Western diplomat in Cairo said pro-Iraqi Gen. Michel Aoun's Christian enclave in Lebanon is a potential point for sanctions-busting efforts.

In other developments Wednesday:

-Egypt's interior minister said in a newspaper interview that Egyptian

authorities had arrested an undisclosed number of suspected pro-Iraqi terrorists and seized arms and explosives. He said the prisoners were members of the radical Palestinian group controlled by Abu Nidal and had come to Egypt to ''assault a number of persons.''

-Vietnam was waiting for United Nations approval to send ships carrying rice to some 17,000 of its workers still in Iraq, state-run Hanoi Radio reported.

-Palestinian Liberation Front leader Abul Abbas was quoted in an Iraqi newspaper as saying his organization would retaliate if under the U.N. air traffic embargo on Iraq if Iraqi aircraft were exposed to ''American piracy.''

-Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati said force should be a last resort in resolving the crisis and Iran would not contribute to any such effort. Velayati also ruled out Tehran restoring diplomatic ties with Egypt because of Cairo's commitment to the Camp David peace accords with Israel.

-U.S. officials in Saudi Arabia said an army OH-58 Mohawk observation-scout helicopter crashed while landing during a training flight Tuesday evening, but two crewmembers aboard were not hurt.

-The Centers for Disease Control downplayed a report that a virus it supplied to an Iraqi scientist ended up in Saddam Hussein's arsenal of chemical weapons. CDC officials acknowledged that shipments of the West Nile fever virus were sent to Salman Pak, a bacteriological research facility near Baghdad, in 1985. The federal health agency, however, said it was unaware that the virus, intended for use in medical research, inadvertently ended up in biological warheads, a charge made by the Simon Wiesenthal Center Tuesday.

-Administration officials said a proposed $7.3 billion arms sale to Saudi Arabia is designed to help the desert kingdom slow down an invading army until U.S. and other reinforcements can arrive. Testifying before House Foreign Affairs Committee members who were generally critical of the sale, the officials said even with the arms, Saudi Arabia would be unable to repel an attack by a well-armed aggressor such as Iraq.

-Turkey said it has so far inspected seven aircraft passing through its air space bound for Baghdad, but needed assistance from other countries in enforcing the U.N.-sponsored air embargo on Iraq.

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RIO DE JANEIRO (OCT. 3) UPI - Brazilians gave a strong vote of confidence to President Fernando Collor de Mello Wednesday by electing a majority of his political allies to the Chamber of Deputies and regional governorships, early exit polls showed.

Analysts have said victories for pro-Collor candidates would signal a show of confidence for the president's free market economic reforms ordered in March to slow runaway inflation and lower the fiscal deficit.

The prestigious Brazilian Institute of Public Opinion and Statistics said the Liberal Front Party, the leading political party allied with Collor, and smaller conservative groups won 65 percent of the 503 seats in the Chamber of Deputies, at least 17 of the 31 Senate seats up for election, and a majority of the 27 governorships.

The Institute interviewed voters leaving a sampling of the 255,000 voting places around Brazil.

Partial official returns are not expected to be made public until Thursday, and complete official returns will not be available until next week, according to Sidney Sanches, president of the Supreme Electoral Court, the organism that administrates Brazilian voting.

Collor, 41, appeared confident when he cast his vote at 9:30 a.m. in his hometown, the northeastern city of Maceio.

''I hope that the Virgin enlightens our way, so that we continue fighting for progress and for peace in our country,'' Collor said.

Despite the importance of the election, turnout appeared to be poor in Rio de Janeiro after polls opened at 8 a.m., with none of the long lines that characterized last year's presidential elections.

Television stations showed massive turnouts of voters in Sao Paulo, Brazil's industrial center, as well scenes of Indians in the Amazon basin traveling to remote voting stations in canoes.

In Rio de Janeiro, however, apathy was widespread and thousands took advantage of the public holiday to go to the beach.

''We are getting tired of politicians and so many elections,'' said Zelia Rodriguez, 52, a housewife who voted in a northern neighborhood of Rio de Janeiro.

''I would have preferred to go to the beach,'' said Moyses Cohen, a 27-year-old university student. ''The truth is, voting should not be obligatory.''

Voting is a legal obligation in Brazil. Those who fail to vote and cannot prove a valid reason for their absence at the polls are required to pay a fine equal to $76 and are prohibited from traveling abroad.

In practice, however, non-voters are rarely sanctioned because the government

regularly grants them amnesties from the penalties.

An estimated 83 million Brazilians are eligible to vote for a total of 1,500 federal, state, and local officials, but the key race will be for the 503 federal deputies and 31 senators of Congress, where Collor must seek approval for his program.

Collor is pledged to eventually eliminate Brazil's cumbersome economic controls and sell off state companies to the private sector.

He has been limited by opposition from Congress, now dominated by left-wing and center-left parties that favor maintaining high state employment and bettering wages in the public sector.

In the 27 races for Brazil's state governships, winners who fail to gain an absolute majority of votes will have to face the runner-up in a runoff on Nov. 25.

Wednesday's election was also important in charting Brazil's constitutional future.

The new Chamber of Deputies and Senate together will compose the Constituent Assembly that will amend the constitution in 1993. The new constitution is expected to endure into the 21st Century.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Average yields for money-market mutual funds were unchanged or higher in the latest reporting week, while rates at competing savings and loan institutions were unchanged or lower, financial information services that track these yields and rates said Wednesday.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.48 percent, up from 7.47 the previous week, and 30-day simple yields were unchanged at 7.47 percent.

The average maturity of fund portfolios rose to 47 days from the prior week's 46.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.88 percent, unchanged; Super-Now accounts, 4.97 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.48 percent, down from 7.49; 1-year CDs, 7.58 percent, down from 7.59; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.67 percent, down from 7.69; and five-year CDs, 7.80 percent, unchanged.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.22 percent, down from 8.25 a week earlier.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.71 percent from 9.76, while the average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage dropped to 10.02 percent from 10.06.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan sank to 12.19 percent from 12.23.

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#90276u2014 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Afffliated Fund 9.04 9.69

Anchor Fund Inv	14.18	15.05
Delaware Mutual	16.54	17.74
Fidelity Fund	16.00	16.00
Investors Mutual	10.54	11.09
Investors Stocks	17.66	18.59
Investors Select	8.29	8.73
IDS Equity Plus	8.67	9.13
Mass Inv Growth	7.87	8.49
Nicholas Fund	3.21	3.21
United Accumulated	6.09	6.66
United Income	16.26	17.77
Vanguard Wellington	15.72	15.72

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(For Thursday)

NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1081.9
Tuesday	1087.0
Week ago	1090.7
Month ago	1101.6
Year ago	1105.1
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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BOSTON (OCT. 3) UPI - A 2-cent per gallon tax on home heating oil was inserted into the federal deficit reduction bill in reaction to a maneuver by

White House Chief of Staff John Sununu and ''perhaps others, '' Gov. Michael S. Dukakis said Wednesday.

The former Democratic presidential nominee said Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, Dukakis's runningmate in 1988, told him he had demanded the tax be included as negotiations between congressional leaders and the White House were being concluded.

But Bentsen said he was reacting to an 11th-hour move by Sununu, the former governor of New Hampshire, Dukakis told reporters at a news conference called to criticize the bill.

''As I understand it from Senator Bentsen, the package in its near final form contained a 10-cent increase in gasoline tax. He wasn't happy about that since they drive a lot in Texas. But he said okay,'' said Dukakis.

''He then reported to me that Mr. Sununu proposed an additional 2 cents (in taxes) across the board for refined products, including home heating oil,'' said Dukakis. ''Senator Bentsen was even more reluctant to go along with ... that 12-cent increase in gasoline, but finally reluctantly he agreed to do so.''

''He further reports to me that, at the 11th hour, apparently upon the motion of Mr. Sununu and perhaps others the 2 cents was deleted for the heating oil without the gasoline. Senator Bentsen was very upset and said it's either across the board or not at all,'' Dukakis related.

The heating oil tax has received a chilly reception in New England, which is 58 percent dependent on the fuel, most of it imported.

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#90276u2060 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

SANTA ANA, CA (OCT. 3) UPI - A teacher with AIDS who won the right to return to his job after being barred from the classroom because of his disease has died, his lawyer said Wednesday.

Vincent Chalk, 45, died of AIDS-related complications Tuesday at Coastal Community Hospital. He was admitted to the hospital five days earlier.

Chalk's case against the Orange County Department of Education was said to be the first attempt by a teacher infected with AIDS to fight his transfer out of the classroom.

His court battle began with a major setback: In September 1987, U.S. District Court Judge William P. Gray in Los Angeles refused to reverse Chalk's reassignment, saying his return to the classroom posed a potential ''catastrophic'' risk to students.

But, in November 1987, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeal ordered that Chalk be allowed to return to his classes, where he taught hearing- impaired children.

The appeals court found that Chalk's rights protecting him from discrimination of the handicapped were violated.

It was believed to be the first time that a court had ruled that AIDS victims are protected by the same job discrimination statutes that cover the handicapped, his attorney, Marjorie Rushforth, said.

Two of the appellate judges chastised the Education Department, saying its stance against Chalk was based on a ''know-nothing'' argument. The comment was an apparent reference to witnesses called to testify at a federal court hearing who disputed opinions that AIDS is transmitted only through blood, sexual intercourse or other exchange of body fluids, and not through casual contact.

Prior to the ruling in Chalk's case, courts had upheld the rights of children with AIDS to remain in school.

After the appellate ruling, Chalk, a homosexual, resumed teaching full time at University High School and Venado Middle School, both in Irvine.

Last spring, Chalk's illness forced him to cut back his hours in the classroom Rushforth said.

''He was a wonderful man,'' she said. ''He had inner strength. He was a marvelous example, not just to people with AIDS, but people with any handicap or condition.''

Rushforth said Chalk had no further problems with school authorities after the appellete court ruling and, on campus, ''some very fun things happened to him.''

''Kids he had never had any professional contact with - surfer kids, about 14 or 15 years old - would walk across campus and shake his hand and tell him they respected him,'' she said.

When Chalk sued for his job, parents and students rallied behind the teacher. Chalk said only one parent, a nurse, had asked that he stop teaching her child a request Chalk complied with.

Chalk, who came from a religious Mormon family in the small town of Lewis, Kan., attended Brigham Young University, where he received a degree in psychology.

In a 1988 newspaper interview, Chalk said he realized that, for many of his students, his death would be the first time someone close to them had died.

''But we all have to face death and dying some time in our life. It's much better to face it ... with someone like a teacher than with someone closer, someone in your family,'' he said.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Reverse Stock Split				
Kaiser Steel Resources - 1-for-3				
Increased				
EnergyNorth Inc	Q	.26	12-14	11-30
Northwest Natural Gas	Q	.42	11-15	10-31
Universal Foods Corp	Q	.19	11-8	10-25
Reduced				
Core Industries Inc	Q	.12	1-2	12-10
Usual				
Collective Bancorp	Q	.05	10-31	10-17
CrownAmerica Inc	Q	.12 1/2	10-31	10-17
Del-Val Fincl Corp	..	.16	11-1	10-25
Del-Val Fincl Corp	..	.16	12-3	11-26
Diagnostics Products	Q	.06	11-28	11-14
F&M Financial Svcs	Q	.088	10-26	10-8
Great Atl & Pac Tea	Q	.20	11-1	10-16
Murphy Oil Corp	Q	.25	12-1	11-15
Snyder Oil Corp	Q	.04	11-15	10-31

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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(OCT. 3) UPI - President Bush postponed a New England campaign swing for G-O-P candidates so he could stay in Washington and lobby for congressional passage of his budget package. He had been scheduled to campaign tomorrow and Friday for Republican candidates.

A controversy in Texas focuses on Baylor University. Officials of the Baptist General Convention of Texas voted to withhold one-point-five- Million dollars

in funding for Baylor pending a study of the school's declaration of independence. .

Trustees of Baylor, the nation's oldest and largest Baptist university, angered state Baptist leaders last month when they did NOT consult them before voting to remove a liberal arts school in Waco from their control.

In Hanover, New Hampshire, Dartmouth College officials rejected a public apology from the editors of the Dartmouth Review. The apology came after the off-campus weekly published an anti-Semitic quote from Adolf Hitler during the Jewish holidays.

The chairwoman of the Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia reportedly resigned in an effort to end a student protest that shut down the school. Students have said Nira Long is insensitive to their concerns about how the school was run.

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#90276u2148 10/03/1990 ~United Press International

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (OCT. 3) UPI - The U.S. Justice Department has confirmed it would not intervene in a lawsuit against US Sprint by two former employees, a newspaper said Wednesday.

The Kansas City Star said the agency confirmed recent reports that it was not expected to proceed with its involvement in the lawsuit.

The suit alleges Sprint illegally obtained information about its competitors' bids for the FTS2000 contract with the federal government. The contract, awarded in late 1988, is estimated to be worth $10 billion to $25 billion over 10 years.

Sprint received 40 percent of the contract. The remainder went to American Telephone & Telegraph Co.

Former Sprint employees James Hottle and Ronald Romonchuk, both of Fairfax, Va., filed the lawsuit in August 1989 under a so-called ''whistle-blowers'' law, the Star said.

Under the law, the Justice Department must investigate allegations of fraud against the government. If the government decides not to intervene, a whistle-blower can proceed with the suit and keep 25 to 30 percent of any award ordered by the court.

The Justice Department said in a news release the former employees' complaints were investigated by the FBI and the General Services Administration. Neither agency confirmed ''any of the allegations of wrongdoing,'' the release said.

Richard Devlin, executive vice president of United Telecommunications Inc., said the company was pleased with the Justice Department's decision.

''Our internal investigation indicated that we acted properly and lawfully,'' Devlin said.

Sprint is the long distance unit of Kansas City-based United Telecom.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 3) UPI - Chicago's two largest futures exchanges will send a delegation overseas later this month to establish ties with new markets in Hungary and the Soviet Union, the exchanges said Wednesday.

In an unprecedented move, the delegation from the Chicago Mercantile Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade will sign agreements to provide educational assistance which could lead to the further development of commodities markets in the two nations.

The agreement will be signed with the Budapest Commodities Exchange in Hungary on Oct. 29 and the State Commission on Food and Procurement in the Soviet Union on Nov. 1.

The goal is to encourage mutual understanding of the markets in those countries, promote the exchange of information, pursue other mutually beneficial business opportunities and work to strengthen economic and trade relations between the countries involved.

''We are looking forward to building a friendly and mutually beneficial relationship,'' CBOT Chairman William O'Connor said.

Leo Melamed, chairman of the CME's executive committee, said both Hungary and the USSR have tremendous untapped human capital and natural resources.

''We will help them any way we can to achieve a better standard of living for their people,'' he said. ''One way will be through the valid price information provided by futures markets.''

In addition to O'Connor and Melamed, the delegation will include CME Chairman John Geldermann, CBOT President and CEO Thomas Donovan and CME President and CEO William Brodsky.

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ARDMORE, PA (OCT. 3) UPI - An original autograph manuscript for two of composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's greatest works is safe and sound and soon

will be auctioned off to the benefit of a suburban Philadelphia seminary.

Manfred Brauch, president of the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, said Wednesday that the rag paper manuscript containing ''Fantasy in C Minor'' and ''Sonata in C Minor'' was found in a safe this summer by an accountant looking for legal documents. It had not been seen by scholars since the early part of this century, and had been considered lost.

''We had known of the existence of the manuscript, but it has not been in the active consciousness of the seminary and its administrators since the mid-1950s,'' said Brauch, who has been with the seminary since 1978 and was just recently appointed president.

The 14-page score for piano, penned by Mozart's own hand in brown ink in 1784 and 1785, is scheduled to be auctioned off by Sotheby's in London on Nov. 21 and is expected to draw a winning bid of between $945, 000 and $1.42 million, according to the auction house.

The Fantasia and Sonata, which are usually performed together, have been played regularly since Mozart performed it himself in Leipzig on May 12, 1789, according to Sotheby officials.

Scholar Stephen Roe of Sotheby's said the manuscript gave him a particular thrill when he realized it contained some music left out of published versions.

''The re-emergence of this manuscript is an event of considerable importance for Mozart scholarship,'' Roe said.

Brauch said the manuscript was willed to the seminary in 1950 by Marguerite Treat Doane, daughter of Cincinnati industrialist William Howard Doane, a collector of music manuscripts.

The industrialist obtained the manuscript from Julian Marshall's collection in the late 19th century, according to Sotheby's.

Brauch said the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary also planned to sell other music manuscripts discovered in the safe in July, including works by Haydn, Meyerbeer, Spohr and Johann Strauss the elder. Those pieces are expected to fetch about $112,000.

''We really believe the seminary is not in the business of holding onto important music manuscripts,'' Brauch said. ''We want to make them available to the the larger music world.''

The Mozart manuscript will be exhibited at the seminary on Oct. 15 and 16, and at Sotheby's in New York from Oct. 17 through Oct. 19.

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DETROIT (OCT. 3) UPI - The Honda Accord overtook the Ford Escort as the top-selling car for the 1990-model year, but Ford Motor Co. said Wednesday this happened because of a break ordered in Escort production to change to an all-new model.

Ford also blamed the general decline in subcompact car sales. Together, those factors caused the Escort to tumble to sixth place for the model year that ended Sept. 30.

Ford's mid-sized Taurus, however, moved up one notch to second place. The Cavalier compact made by General Motors Corp.'s Chevrolet division rose to third from fifth place, while Toyota Motor Corp.'s Camry was fourth, jumping two notches from its 1989-model year ranking.

The Beretta coupe and Corsica sedan, which Chevrolet counts as a single model line, dropped one spot to fifth place for the 1990- model year.

Ford's F-series pickup truck maintained its position as the nation's best-selling vehicle - car or truck - for the ninth model year running, followed by Chevrolet's C/K pickup truck in terms of vehicle sales.

Here is a list of the five best selling 1990- model cars and light trucks vs. 1989:

Cars	1990 MY	1989 MY
Honda Accord	418,177	362,437
Ford Taurus	316,906	360,237
Chevrolet Cavalier	288,029	306,518
Toyota Camry	278,086	264,596
Chevrolet Beretta/Corsica	277,859	352,674
Light Trucks	1990MY	1989MY
Ford F-series	538,040	589,772
Chevrolet C/K	486,796	552,294
Ford Ranger	290,957	273,336
Dodge Caravan/RAM van	211,737	218,699
Chevrolet S-10	210,773	241,866

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OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (OCT. 3) UPI - Yellow Freight System Inc., a trucking company, said Wednesday it would introduce a 2.4 percent fuel charge beginning Monday, if federal regulators approve.

Implementing the surcharge is contingent on Interstate Commerce Commission approval, the company said.

''This action comes in response to a continued rise in fuel costs,'' President and chief executive officer George E. Powell III said. ''We have held our surcharge steady at 1.9 percent for the past four weeks, but continued increases in fuel costs have accumulated to the point that we cannot ignore the negative impact on our operating costs.''

The surcharge is based only on the increased of fuel, Yellow Freight said, and as such is a cost-based surcharge.

Yellow Freight serves customers in more than 35,000 destinations in all fifty states, Puerto Rico, and several Canadian provinces.

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Yellow Freight System Inc. of Delaware.

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 3) UPI - The United States and the Soviet Union announced Wednesday that they had reached agreement in principle on a treaty that would drastically cut the number of troops, aircraft, artillery and armored vehicles in Europe.

The final agreement was announced jointly by Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and U.S. Secretary of State James Baker after more than five hours of private talks in the Soviet mission to the United Nations.

If the agreement had not been reached this week, U.S. officials said it would have been impossible to hold a 35-nation summit in Paris scheduled in mid-November. The United States had made such a conventional forces arms control treaty - known as CFE - a prerequisite for attending the Paris meeting.

Baker said it was an agreement in principle. ''We have agreed on all major issues,'' he said.

''A few peripheral issues remain to be settled. (But) we have reached agreement on the reduction and destruction of a significant amount of weapons '' the secretary said.

Shevardnadze, standing at Baker's side, said one relatively minor matter - counting rules for helicopters - remained unsettled but could be dealt with by technical experts.

The United States will take the framework of the agreement to the NATO countries for their assent, which is expected, since they were consulted at every stage of the long proceedings.

No numbers were given at the announcement of the agreement. The two sides

wanted to consult with their allies, with the United States checking with NATO and the Soviet Union consulting with what is left of the Warsaw Pact alliance.

But officials had said previously that the number of troops had been set for 195,000 for both sides in central Europe, with the United States being permitted 30,000 more troops to be based in Britain and Italy, outside of the European Central Zone.

Officials have said that both sides will be limited to about 6,700 aircraft.

In one of the issues settled Wednesday, it was agreed land-based naval aircraft will be handled in a side letter, and that maritime patrol aircraft will not be included in the treaty at all.

Baker and Shevardnadze spent almost all of their 5 1/2 hours Wednesday on the conventional forces agreement, and barely touched on the treaty reducing strategic nuclear arms. Both men said they will probably get together on Friday to try to settle the remaining issues in the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks, reducing offensive nuclear missiles by up to 50 percent.

Both the United States and the Soviet Union have expressed the hope that they can have a START treaty ready for signing at a U.S.-Soviet summit before the end of this year.

The conventional forces negotiations have been going on, in various forms, since 1975. But the bargaining got serious in January 1989, with the coming to office of the Bush administration and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's program of political and military reforms beginning to gain momentum.

About one year ago, U.S. negotiators noticed a slowdown in the talks, a pause they ascribed to Soviet military officials objecting to the deep cuts in troops at a time when those soldiers and their weapons might be needed to quell nationalist violence inside the Soviet Union.

In the past two months, U.S. negotiators detected a new willingness by the Soviets to bargain seriously, something that was seen as a sign that Gorbachev and Shevardnadze and their allies in the Kremlin had asserted their authority over the Soviet general staff.

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BOSTON (OCT. 3) UPI - Duff & Phelp's Wednesday lowered Bank of Boston Corp.'s credit rating, joining the other major credit agencies in downgrading the ratings of New England's largest bank for the second time this year.

Standard & Poor's Corp. and Moody's already had lowered Bank of Boston's credit ratings twice in 1990.

In Wednesday's announcement, Duff & Phelps cited ''the continuing deterioration within the corporation's commercial real estate portfolio caused by weak regional and national markekts.''

Bank of Boston only last week disclosed it expected a loss for the latest quarter of as much as $250 million. That is double the company's $125 million quarterly loss a year ago that stunned the regional financial community.

Duff & Phelps praised the company for ''intensive management'' of its problem loan portfolio but warned that weakness in the Northeast real estate market and elsewhere ''will keep problem loan levels high.''

The credit agency lowered Bank of Boston's senior debt to triple-B from single-A-minus and dropped its subordinated debt to triple-B-minus from triple-B-plus Its preferred stock was dropped from triple-B to double-B.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - The remnants of tropical storm Rachel soaked the Southwest, closing roads and sending streams over their banks Wednesday while another front that moved in from the Northwest left a dusting of snow on the Rockies.

In western Texas, flood warnings remained in effect along the Rio Grande River from Presidio to Langtry. The river was near its crest Wednesday at Castolon, 4 feet above flood stage. The river was expected to crest 5 1/2 above flood stage on Thursday at Presidio.

Flood watches over other portions of western Texas were canceled.

To the north, a cold front brought wintry weather to Colorado and Idaho. Snow was reported as low as 5,000 feet in the Idaho mountains and 8,000 feet in the peaks of Colorado.

The snowfall was generally light, with up to 3 inches falling in the passes above 10,000 feet in Colorado.

The front moved through Denver during the night with rain and winds gusting to 30 mph as temperatures dropped to near 40 degrees.

Advisories were posted Wednesday night for the first frost of the season in the San Luis Valley of Colorado.

Elsewhere, rainshowers and a few thunderstorms were widespread across the nation's midsection. Rain fell over Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana and Illinois.

Showers also doused parts of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida and the Pacific Northwest.

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GEORGETOWN, TX (OCT. 3) UPI - A judge Wednesday set Dec. 3 as the execution date for condemned murderer Henry Lee Lucas, who once confessed to killing more than 600 people.

Williamson County State District Judge John Carter ordered Lucas, 54, to be put to death by injection. The case will be appealed to the Supreme Court.

''Essentially the confessions (by Lucas) were basically a hoax, perpetrated by my client and with the active assistance of Texas law enforcement,'' Lucas' lawyer, Richard Allen, said Wednesday. ''In fact, the Dallas Police Department had my client confessing to crimes that they had completely and totally made up.''

After he was arrested in north Texas June 11, 1983 on a weapons charge, Lucas began confessing to hundreds of killings across the United States and in five foreign countries.

The Blacksburg, Va., native later recanted his confessions, but authorities in several states closed the books on more than 210 killings based on his initial claims.

Lucas was convicted in 1983 and sentenced to death for the 1979 rape- slaying of an unidentified woman, dubbed ''orange socks,'' whose nude body was found along Interstate 35 in central Texas.

Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox in 1986 released a comprehensive report saying Texas Rangers and other law enforcement agencies mishandled the investigation of Lucas and his bogus confessions of mass murder. The report said Lucas could not have committed many of the crimes to which he confessed.

The report also cast doubt on Lucas' lone capital murder conviction, citing a polygraph report indicating Lucas did not kill the woman.

But former Williamson County District Attorney Ed Walsh, who won the capital murder conviction, said Wednesday he remains convinced that Lucas killed the woman in Georgetown and as many as 100 other people.

''There were just too many cases he gave details of that he wouldn't have really known had not he committed the crimes,'' said Walsh.

Lucas was also convicted in 1984 and sentenced to life in prison for the murder of Becky Powell, 15, his common-law wife, and he was given a 75-year

prison term after pleading guilty to the murder of Kate Rich, 80, of Ringgold.

In addition he received life in prison without parole for the murder of police officer Clemmie Curtis of Huntington, W.Va. Lucas confessed he forced Curtis to write a suicide note and then shot him.

At first Lucas was believed to be the most prolific serial murderer in U.S. history.

Authorities in 26 states swallowed Lucas's confessions, which he later said were made in an attempt to avoid a date with the executioner and also to embarrass the law.

Among his claims were that he supplied the cyanide used in the 1978 murder-suicide of more than 900 people at the People's Temple colony of the Rev. Jim Jones in Jonestown, Guyana. He also confessed to the slaying of union boss Jimmy Hoffa.

Lucas began his life of crime in 1960 when he killed his mother, Viola Lucas, 74, in Michigan by stabbing her a number of times. He was in and out of prisons and mental hospitals until 1970 when he was released on parole.

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TORONTO (OCT. 3) UPI - Canada and the United States will in the next few months begin negotiating a far-reaching, ''liberalized'' agreement on air transportation, it was announced Wednesday.

In a joint announcement with U.S. Secretary of Transportation Samuel Skinner, Canadian Transport Minister Douglas Lewis said negotiations should begin in 1991.

Lewis said the bilateral agreement was last renegotiated in 1974 and is now out of date.

He said a new agreement is intended to give Canadian industry greater access to American markets and to facilitate flying between the U.S. and Canada.

Citing personal experience, Lewis said that flying from Canada's capital in Ottawa to Washington can be an ''adventure'' that required changing flights in Syracuse, N.Y.

Lewis also asserted American carriers would have an ''advantage'' under a ''liberalized'' arrangement and said negotiators would have to find ways to compensate Canadian carriers.

Lewis said both of Canada's national carriers, Air Canada and Canadian

Airlines International, indicated they welcome a new arrangement.

Lewis and Skinner said they will consult all interested parties on the direction the new arrangement should take.

They said they would consider setting up a system that would allow carriers from each country to operate services between any point in one country and any point in the other as well as between points within the other country.

The joint statement said a bilateral air agreement would specify such points as: the cities that airlines may serve and under what conditions, frequency of flights, routes, tariffs or pricing, safety and security and ground handling.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 3) UPI - Mutinous soldiers seeking the ouster of President Corazon Aquino seized an army brigade camp on Mindanao island Thursday, prompting the armed forces chief to place troops on red alert.

In addition, Gen. Renato de Villa said, a bomb exploded at an army water pumping station near the capital, but no injuries were reported.

De Villa said he had contacted regional commanders who reported ''all their men are in place and support the chain of command.''

He said a small group of soldiers took over a remote brigade headquarters in the logging town of Butuan on Mindanao island, about 500 miles south of Manila shortly after midnight Wednesday.

De Villa said a bomb exploded at the suburban Fort Bonifacio army headquarters at 5:30 a.m., disabling its water pumping station but causing no injuries.

The capital appeared calm, but de Villa said he had requested Philippine Airlines and shipping companies to suspend shipping services to Butuan and the nearby cities of Iligan, Cagayan de Oro and Surigao.

Following the pre-dawn incidents, security aides of Aquino convened an emergency meeting at the presidential palace, according to national security adviser Rafael Ileto, who said he had been monitoring the situation.

De Villa, in a radio interview, said the soldiers who took over the army brigade headquarters in Butuan were led by two officers he identified only as Maj. Serdeno and Lt. Batac.

''We think this is a small thing that we can control within the day,'' de Villa said. He said there was no cause for concern, but that he had placed the 159,000-member armed forces on its highest state of readiness.

The bombing of Fort Bonifacio was the third in a month and 40th in the capital and surrounding towns since rebel soldiers mounted a destabilization campaign Aug. 13. The bombings caused severe damage and injured about several dozen people.

Aquino, 57, has crushed six coup attempts since she took power in a civilian-backed military revolt in 1986.

The last uprising in December killed some 100 people and wounded more than 500.

The current incidents came amid reports rebel soldiers would mount a coup attempt code-named ''August Moon,'' which under the Chinese calendar fell on Wednesday.

Under the plan, rebel soldiers would take over key cities in the south in a bid to spark a rebellion against Aquino in Manila, according to published news reports.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - The number of U.S. mergers and acquisitions fell by 16 percent in the first three quarters of 1990 compared with the same period in 1989, a financial information company reported Wednesday.

However, according to IDD Information Services, M&A activity in Europe soared over the same three quarters as the number of deals rose 42 percent.

Some 3,193 M&A deals were announced in the United States through Sept. 30, down from 3,829 in the same period a year earlier, IDD Information Services said, noting that the total value of the 1990 transactions dropped by 47 percent to $172.4 billion from $331.5 billion in the 1989 nine months.

The number of completed U.S. acquisitions fell to 1,878 in the 1990 period from 2,076 in the year-earlier nine months, while the dollar value of the 1990 acquisitions fell to $136.4 billion from $174.5 billion.

In Europe, there were 3,993 deals in the first three quarters compared with 2,810 in the same period of 1989, IDD said. But the dollar value of those deals fell off by 22 percent, to $99.5 billion from $127.1 billion.

IDD attributed Europe's surge of M&A activity to the ongoing integration of the economies of the 12 European Community nations against a 1992 deadline. ''The removal of national barriers increases the potential for M&A, as industries consolidate and restructure to compete more effectively,'' IDD said.

The company said foreign buyers still show interest in U.S. acquisitions. To

date in 1990, foreign companies or individuals have announced offers or bought a minority interest in 436 U.S. companies worth $46.8 billion, according to IDD figures.

Japan led the way, with 73 bids worth some $11 billion, followed by Britain, with 17 bids worth $9.9 billion, and France, with 29 bids worth $9.8 billion.

Among investment banks, Shearson Lehman Hutton's Lehman Brothers division led in the underwriting of M&A deals, with 63 deals worth some $34.6 billion in the first three quarters of 1990. In second place was Wasserstein Perella, with 26 deals worth $28.3 billion, and Lazard Freres placed third, with 28 deals worth some $27.3 billion.

There was a pronounced falloff in tender offers and leveraged buyouts, which IDD tied to the collapse of the market in high-yielding ''junk'' bonds issued by corporations. There were 82 tender offers in the first three quarters, down 53 percent from 178 in the same period of 1989. LBOs fell off 73 percent, to 11 from 38.

IDD said there had been only 10 issues of junk bonds so far this year, a 90 percent decrease.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 3) UPI - The Senate approved deep cuts Wednesday in President Bush's funding request for a manned space station and refused to give any money for his plans for manned missions to the Moon and Mars.

By a vote of 90-8, the Senate passed a $78.6 billion 1991 appropriations bill that included funding for a several government bodies, including NASA, the departments of Housing and Urban Development, Veterans Affairs and the Environmental Protection Agency.

The measure goes to a conference committee to iron out differences with the House appropriations bill before being presented to the president.

The Senate approved $13.4 billion for the NASA, a $1.2 billion increase over this year's funding level, but made dramatic cuts in key future projects. The total of $5.6 billion appropriated for NASA research and development projects fell nearly $1.5 billion below the administration's request.

The space station project, under which the United States would establish a permanent station orbiting the Earth, was tabbed for $1.6 billion, $863 million less than President Bush had asked.

The report by the Senate Appropriations Committee said the funding cut meant NASA would either have to push back the planned 1995 launch schedule for the

plan or restructure the program that could lead to an abandonment of the permanent space station.

The Senate shunned the proposed manned missions to the Moon and Mars, a cornerstone of the president's desire for ambitious space explorations. The committee report called NASA's $500 billion estimated price tag for the plan an ''underestimate.'' The administration had asked for $360 million in 1991 research and development funds for the project.

Sen. Dale Bumpers, D-Ark., called the affected projects ''very laudable,'' but said, ''When you consider the costs of the space station, when you consider the cost of the moon-Mars mission, you have to ask yourself, 'Are those really that critical when we're running these kinds of deficits and this country is facing this kind of trauma?'''

Sen. Jake Garn, R-Utah, a one-time passenger on a space shuttle mission, said the cuts were ''unfortunate,'' noting that many medical and scientific advances stem from space programs.

The appropriations bill fell $2 billion below the amount already approved by the House for the same departments and programs. Included were a cut of $83 million in veterans medical care from the House level and a $1 billion cut in HUD programs. The Senate NASA budget is $839 million less than the House version.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - An envoy from Soviet President Gorbachev met in Amman today with Jordan's King Hussein, and state-run Amman radio says he gave Hussein a message from the Soviet leader. Yevgeny Primakov also is to meet with Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yassir Arafat. Primakov is expected to leave tomorrow for Iraq, and is believed to be carrying a message for President Saddam Hussein.

Tragedy struck today in Monaco. Stefano Casiraghi, the Italian husband of Princess Caroline, died in a speedboat accident off the coast of Monaco near Monte Carlo. The boat carrrying Casiraghi was going about 100 miles-an-hour, and witnesses say it overturned when it steered into a large wave. The accident happened during a world championship trial race.

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A clash in Nicaragua between police and former Contra rebels left at least four ex-Contras dead. Officials say nine other ex-Contras and one police officer were injured. Witnesses say 200 to 300 former Contras converged on a government farm co-operative earlier this week, occupying government buildings and demanding they be given land on the cooperative. The farm community is about 130 miles northeast of Managua.

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More ethnic violence in Yugoslavia. Serbian-majority towns in Croatia remained tense, but calm following a night of anti-Croatian attacks. The federal government also revealed that Serbs are in possession of large amounts of stolen explosives, weapons and ammunition. In an effort to de-escalate tensions, the Croatian Interior Ministry announced withdrawal of paramilitary police from Serbian enclaves.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 3) UPI - Detroit Tigers slugger Cecil Fielder hit his 50th and 51st home runs of the year Wednesday night, becoming the first major leaguer in 13 years to reach those figures.

Fielder hit a 2-1 pitch from New York rookie Steve Adkins to join 10 other major leaguers with at least 50 in a season. He drew a standing ovation from the Yankee Stadium crowd, and his teammates greeted him as he crossed the plate.

In the eighth, Fielder hits his 51st homer, a three-run shot off rookie Alan Mills. Fielder's blast, on a 3-2 pitch, easily cleared the left-field wall.

The homer gave Fielder five RBI on the night and raised his major league-leading total to 132.

Not since Cincinnati's George Foster hit 52 in 1977 has any major- leaguer reached 50. Only one other Tiger, Hank Greenberg with 58 in 1938, has hit 50 or more homers. The feat has now been achieved 19 times, with Babe Ruth doing it on four occasions.

Fielder, a 6-foot-3, 230-pound native of Los Angeles, played last season with the Hanshin Tigers of the Japanese Central League. He hit 38 homers and had 81

RBI for Hanshin, which purchased him from the Toronto Blue Jays Dec. 22, 1988. He signed with Detroit on Jan. 15.

His major league-high for homers was 14 with Toronto in 1987. Entering the 1990 season, Fielder had hit only 31 major-league homers.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - .

Iraq's President Saddam Hussein reportedly went to Kuwait today... on his first visit since Iraqi troops invaded the oil-rich emirate August 2nd. Iraqi television showed Saddam being warmly greeted, and aired scenes from Kuwait City with classical music playing in the background. Also today, an envoy from Soviet President Gorbachev met in Jordan with King Hussein and reportedly delivered a message from the Soviet leader.

The House is headed toward a showdown vote on the compromise federal budget plan, with the vote apparently too close to call. One key Democratic congressman says the chances are ''better than 50-50'' the measure will pass. Assistant House Republican leader Newt Gingrich says ''it's up in the air.'' The House is to vote tomorrow on a resolution adopting the outlines of the bipartisan agreement.

President Bush hosted a White House ceremony today in the Rose Garden to mark the re-unification of Germany. He told a gathering of Germans and German-Americans that ''today begins a new chapter in the history'' of Germany. Bush also signed a proclamation declaring today German- American Day. The German ambassador to the United States apologized for Adolf Hitler's crimes, and said Germany is determined that ''none of this'' will happen again.

A federal judge in Jacksonville, Florida, halted the reading of Bible stories in an elementary school... saying it violates the First Amendment to the Constitution. U-S District Judge John Moore today granted the temporary injunction sought by the American Civil Liberties Union. A final hearing will be held later. The parents of a fifth-grader at the Emma Love school had complained that teacher Martha Mitchell read Bible stories to her students.

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#90276u2626 10/03/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 3) UPI - A Denver researcher says a simple blood test might be able to detect cancer in its early stages. Biochemist Stuart Gordon says a preliminary study of 271 cancer patients showed that the test was 100-percent effective in identifying a protein shed by cancer cells in the early stages. Gordon says if larger studies show that the test is accurate, it could mean cancer could be detected during annual physical exams... before any physical symptoms are

present.

Saying they could NO longer remain silent, six Republican senators today took what may be a UNprecedented stand. They publicly endorsed Democratic Senator Bennett Johnston over former Ku Klux Klansman and G- O-P candidate David Duke in Saturday's NON-partisan primary in Louisiana. In an ''open letter to the people of Louisiana,'' the lawmakers say Duke ''masquerades as a Republican'' and has ''NO place'' in the U-S Senate.

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#90276u2846 10/03/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 3) UPI - In a joint announcement, Secretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze said Washington and Moscow had reached an agreement in principle on a treaty that wouuld drastically cut the number of conventional troops in Europe. The two met privately at the Soviet U-N mission today.

Philippine troops have been placed on nationwide red alert after mutinous soldiers seeking the ouster of President Aquino seized an army brigade camp on Mindanao Island early Thursday. Aquino has survived six coup attempts since she took power in 1986.

Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein reportedly paid a visit to Kuwait today... his first since ordering the invasion of the oil-rich emirate August 2nd. The Iraqi News Agency says Saddam met with soldiers, who told him they were ready to die to defend their country. .

His reported visit comes amid a flurry of diplomatic activity in the Mideast. A senior aide of Soviet President Gorbachev was sent to the region on a ''special mission.'' French President Mitterrand headed to the area as Iraq offered to free all French hostages. The offer came apparently in response to the peace proposal Mitterrand unveiled last week.

The House is set to take the first critical vote tomorrow on the bipartisan budget plan. Head counters on both sides agree the vote is still too close to call, but one Democratic lawmaker puts chances of passage at ''better than 50-50.'' .

President Bush has postponed a New England campaign swing on behalf of Republican candidates so he could stay in Washington to press for passage of his controversial deficit-cutting deal. The White House denies suggestions that some of the candidates asked Bush NOT to come.

U-S Embassy officials and police in Johannesburg, South Africa, say NO one was hurt and only slight damage was caused by a homemade bomb that exploded this morning outside the residence of the U-S ambassador. NO one has claimed responsibility for the blast.

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#90276u2847 10/03/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 3) UPI - The death toll could be high from a late afternoon accident involving a bus carrying 50 elderly passengers home from a seaside holiday in northwest Italy. Police say the bus skidded through a bridge guardrail and plunged 130 feet into a mountain stream. 30 people are feared dead.

Monaco's royal family is mourning today's death of the husband of Princess Caroline. Stefano Casiraghi was killed in a speed boat accident during a world championship trial race off the coast of Monaco. He was 30.

Eleanor Steber... a reigning soprano at the Metropolitan Opera in New York for more than 25 years until her retirement in 1966... died of congestive heart failure today at a nursing home in Langhorne, Pennsylvania. She was 76.

An Orange County, California, teacher with AIDS who won the precedent-setting right to remain on the job despite his disease has died. 45-year-old Vincent Chalk died yesterday of AIDS-related complications in a Santa Anna hospital.

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The lawyer for a Fort Lauderdale, Florida, record store owner says he'll appeal the guilty verdict against his client for selling the 2 Live Crew rap album ''As Nasty As They Wanna Be.'' A jury deliberated for 90 minutes today before convicting Charles Freeman of misdemeanor obscenity charges.

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#90276u2941 10/03/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 3) UPI - Secretary of State Baker says the United States and the Soviet Union reached agreement in principle ''on all major issues'' in a treaty on military cuts in Europe. Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze announced that the agreement today in New York following private talks at the United Nations. Baker says ''a few peripheral issues remain to be settled.'' The accord would drastically cut the number of troops, aircraft, artillery and armored vehicles in Europe.

President Aquino's national security adviser says security aides have convened an emergency meeting at the presidential palace. The meeting follows the takeover early Thursday of an army brigade camp on Mindanao Island by rebellious soldiers seeking Aquino's overthrow. The incident 500 miles south of Manila prompted the armed forces chief to place troops on red alert.

The violence continued into the night in Berlin... despite police water cannon and tear gas. Authorities say about one-thousand leftist and anarchist youths went on a rampage after protesting against German unification. Chanting ''shut your mouth Germany'' and ''never again,'' the youths threw gasoline bombs at riot police... overturned sausage and refreshment stands set up for unity celebrations... and smashed store windows. More than 50 arrests are reported.

Thousands of workers around the country staged demonstrations today to demand reforms in national health care. The actions were organized by Jobs With Justice... a national coalition of labor union, civil rights and other groups fed up with higher medical costs and lower insurance benefits. Spokesman Steve Rosenthal called for ''a national solution to this national crisis.''
37-Million Americans have NO health insurance.

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(OCT. 3) UPI - Researchers from Houston say a new study should help settle the debate over cholesterol. The study shows that people who underwent surgery to lower their cholesterol had a marked reduction in heart disease rates. Dr. Anthony Gotto of Baylor College of Medicine calls it ''a landmark study.'' The link between cholesterol and heart disease has been questioned by some who cited a lack of conclusive evidence.

The movie industry's decision to scrap its X-rating came under fire today from officials of mainstream American churches. Leaders of the National Council of Churches and the U-S Catholic Conference call the decision ''arrogant and ill-advised,'' and say it should be re- considered. The movie industry last week replaced its X-rating with a new rating, N-C-17, which means NO children under 17 admitted.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Hotel Investors Trust, a real estate investment trust, and Hotel Investors Corp., a hotel management company, whose shares are paired and trade together (NYSE:HOT), Thursday announced that the companies have received a revised offer from First West Capital Corp. to acquire all of Hotel Investors' outstanding shares for a cash price of $5.25 per share.

The revised First West offer continues to be subject to a number of conditions (including additional due diligence, approval of Nevada gaming and other regulatory authorities, certain agreements with existing lenders, limitations on dividends and completion of the acquisition no later than Dec. 31, 1990), and may be terminated if, among other things, a definitive acquisition agreement is not executed by Oct. 12, 1990, or if the shareholders and stockholders of Hotel Investors approve the pending sale of 27 hotels to Park

Plaza Inc.

The revised offer (which will expire if not accepted by Hotel Investors by Oct. 5, 1990, at 5 p.m.) supersedes First West's previously announced $5 per share offer.

The revised First West offer is being reviewed by Hotel Investors' board of trustees and board of directors. In addition, the boards are continuing to investigate the previously announced offer from Park Plaza to acquire the companies.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Thursday announced two new long distance calling plans that will bring additional savings and flexibility to long distance customers.

Targeted at small business and residential markets, Sprint Select(sm) and Sprint Day Plus(sm) expand US Sprint's long distance service to these markets by providing plans for small, mid-size and high-volume users.

''These calling plans offer packages tailor-made to customers' unique calling patterns,'' said Steve Akin, president of the Consumer Services Group. ''Whether you make a great deal of long distance calls, or just a few, our plans are designed to offer flexibility and the best possible discounts.''

Sprint Select Interstate, one of the Sprint Select family of products, allows residential customers to buy on a monthly basis one hour of out-of-state evening/night/weekend calling for a flat $8.10, regardless of the distance of the call. Daytime calls made during the week will be discounted 10 percent. This plan is tailored for the mid-sized customer who spends an average of $10-30 a month on long distance.

Out-of-state evening/night/weekend calls after the one hour flat rate are billed at a low competitive rate of less than 11 cents per minute. With this plan, at no additional charge, consumers also get 5 percent off direct dialed intrastate calls, international calls, and out-of-state FONCARD calls.

Sprint Select products join US Sprint's current residential calling plans, Sprint Plus(sm) for high-volume customers and Dial 1 for low-volume customers.

Sprint Day PLUS, a new product for small businesses averaging more than $15 a month in long distance charges, provides a high daytime discount of 15 percent off interstate direct dialed, FONCARD and operator service calls for a low

monthly fee of $1.95. Also included,at no additional charge, are a 5 percent discount on all evening/night/weekend interstate calls and all direct dialed international calls.

US Sprint has trained its customer service and sales agents to help customers select a plan that best suits their individual needs. US Sprint also has introduced its first state plan, another Sprint Select product called Sprint Select California(sm). This plan allows California residents to purchase monthly one hour of evening/night/weekend intrastate calling for $7.90 with a 10 percent discount on direct dialed day calls. Additional evening/night/weekend calls are billed at less than 11 cents per minute. Customers also receive 5 percent off intrastate FONCARD calls for no additional fee.

Continuing into 1991, US Sprint will be adding new customized calling plans for the residential and small business marketplace. US Sprint's new billing system will enable Sprint to respond quickly to customers' changing long distance needs with flexible, easy-to-use plans.

''We want to make sure long distance calling remains as simple as picking up the phone,'' Akin said. ''Developing plans as individual as our customers and working with the customer to select their best fit will let us reach that goal.''

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Thursday introduced its first statewide long distance calling plan, called Sprint Select California(sm).

The plan will bring additional savings and flexibility to California long distance customers.

This plan allows California residents to purchase monthly one hour of evening/night/weekend intrastate calling for $7.90 with a 10 percent discount on direct dialed day calls. Additional evening/night/weekend calls are billed at less than 11 cents per minute. Customers also receive 5 percent off intrastate FONCARD calls for no additional fee.

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DENVER (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - USMX Inc. Thursday announced that Donald E. Nilson has assumed the positions of vice president, finance and chief financial officer.

Nilson has over 14 years experience in public as well as private accounting. In addition Nilson has over six years of experience as a teacher, author and consultant in computer-based information management systems.

Nilson's most recent position was chief financial officer/chief information officer at Brazier Forest Industries Inc., located in Seattle. Nilson, a certified public accountant, has a masters degree in computer information systems and a bachelor of science degree in accounting.

Additionally USMX appointed two new members to the board of directors that fill the vacant positions left after Dennis Lance (vice president exploration) and John Cox (exploration manager) resigned their positions on the board.

George J. Allen, president of Allen Engineering Co., has over 40 years of mining-related experience. Allen was with Kennecott Copper Corp. for 32 years in a variety of capacities including vice president and general manager of the

Nevada mines division.

Terry P. McNulty, president of T.P. McNulty and Associates Inc., has 30 years of experience in mineral processing and chemical engineering. Prior to starting his own firm in 1989, McNulty was president and chief executive officer of Hazen Research Inc.

USMX Inc. is involved in the exploration, development and production of gold properties in the United States. The company's stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol USMX.

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NEWBURY PARK, CA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Semtech Corp. (ASE:SMH) Thursday announced that it has completed the purchase of assets of Lambda Semiconductors, a division of Lambda Electronics Inc. located in Corpus Christi, Texas, and Reynosa, Mexico.

Terms of the purchase were not immediately available.

The division, renamed Semtech Corpus Christi, was started in 1975. Products manufactured by Semtech Corpus Christi include linear and switching voltage regulators both monolithic and hybrid designs, darlington transistors, interface drivers, pulse width modulators, overvoltage protection devices, rectifiers, and a wide selection of semiconductor die for hybrid circuit applications.

Products have traditionally been manufactured for commercial and industrial power supply customers. Semtech said it intends to continue this emphasis but will explore military and aerospace applications as well.

Wafer fabrication, hybrid assembly and test, semiconductor test, engineering, marketing, and administration are located in Corpus Christi. Semiconductor assembly is located in Reynosa. The division currently has approximately 100 employees in Corpus Christi and 40 employees in Reynosa.

Semtech stated it plans to consolidate its silicon foundry business in Corpus Christi. All products manufactured at Semtech's wholly owned subsidiary, Polycore Electronics, will be transferred to Corpus Christi within about three months.

During the third quarter the company expects to record a one-time, non-operating charge of approximately $300,000 to write-off the remaining unutilized assets of Polycore Electronics. Closure of this facility is

expected to save about $250,000 per year once all products are moved.

A company spokesman stated that the purchase represents a significant step in Semtech's plan to diversify its product offering and customer base. Semtech said its sales should be approximately 50 percent military/aerospace and 50 percent commercial and industrial.

Semtech was founded in 1960 and is a leading manufacturer of power rectifiers transient voltage suppressors, power voltage regulators and integrated circuits and power hybrids.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The McDonald's Operators' Association of Southern California (M.O.A.S.C.) Thursday unveiled a breakthrough recycling program whose initial goal is to recycle 70 percent -- or an estimated 20 tons daily -- of the restaurant chain's in-store waste stream.

Initially, 80 McDonald's restaurants will participate in the program. More restaurants will come on the program as their current trash hauling contracts expire or as local city governments with exclusive trash hauling agreements allow McDonald's a special exemption to recycle in their community.

Partnering with McDonald's on the development and execution of the program is Perdomo & Sons Inc., a trash hauler based in East Los Angeles. Via specially routed trucks, Perdomo will pick up daily from the participating McDonald's restaurants and source separate the trash at his recycling facility.

McDonald's is the largest user of recycled paper in its industry, and is presently introducing new recycled bags made of unbleached paper in its restaurants.

McDonald's Operators' Association of Southern California is comprised of 340 restaurants located in a diverse geographic region that incorporates Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside and Ventura counties.

McDonald's is the world's leading foodservice organization, serving 22 million people each day in more than 11,200 restaurants in 52 countries. About 75 percent of McDonald's restaurant businesses are locally owned and operated by independent entrepreneurs.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Foundation Health Corp. will receive an interim adjustment in payments amounting to $6.2 million per month from the U.S. Department of Defense to handle projected increased health care costs in California and Hawaii related to the Operation Desert Shield deployment, the company announced Thursday.

''From a fiscal viewpoint, this is very good news for Foundation because the Department of Defense has quickly recognized that Operation Desert Shield will impact its medical benefits program cost,'' said Foundation Health Corp. President and Chief Executive Officer Daniel D. Crowley.

''Essentially, this is like receiving an additional military contract to handle unanticipated health care expenses generated by Desert Shield.''

The increased military costs are due to a reduction of medical resources at military bases due to Operation Desert Shield deployment, forcing more military families to seek medical care in the civilian sector under the government's CHAMPUS medical benefits program, which covers active duty dependents and retired military families.

''The military hospitals are continuing to do a fine job in providing services for military families, and reserve units are filling in some medical shortages '' Crowley said. ''But there nevertheless are gaps that must be handled by the civilian sector.''

Foundation administers the CHAMPUS Reform Initiative in the two states under a five year, $3 billion contract with the Department of Defense. Under that contract, the company receives approximately $525 million a year to provide health care services for 860,000 CHAMPUS eligibles in California and Hawaii.

The contract provides additional compensation for events which prompt certain unanticipated useage of the CHAMPUS program, such as military base closures or a reduction in military medical resources.

Operation Desert Shield has reduced hospital services by about 16 percent, and outpatient services by about 13 percent, in various military hospitals in California and Hawaii. That would mean that about $7.5 million per month in costs could be shifted to the CHAMPUS program if everyone continued receiving care at the same levels.

However, a government analysis of the situation lowered those estimates slightly because of the possibility that a small percentage of the affected population would simply refrain from receiving care because of the additional out-of-pocket expenses of the civilian program.

The calculations do not take into consideration possible additional expenses prompted by the call-up of reserves, whose families are immediately eligible for CHAMPUS benefits, or the fact that additional medical reserve units may balance military hospital capability. As more data becomes available, compensation levels to Foundation will be adjusted accordingly.

Crowley added that although the financial impact of the deployment was important, the human aspect of the CHAMPUS Reform Initiative should not be overlooked:

''The United States government has made a promise to military families that they'd receive health care when they need it, and we believe we're helping the Department of Defense meet that commitment during and extraordinary point in history.

''We're very proud to step into the breach to support the DoD at a time like this, and that our military and private-sector partnership is helping meet the health care needs of tens of thousands of military families.''

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Homestake Mining Co. (NYSE:HM) Thursday declared a quarterly dividend of 5 cents a share payable Nov. 13, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 30, 1990.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Starting in October, StatesWest Airlines Inc., a growing regional airline, operating as USAir Express, will be smiling all over the west as it displays a ''Smile'' on the nose of all its aircraft.

USAir and StatesWest officials made the announcement Thursday surrounded by employees with buttons and stickers with the slogan, ''A Little Smile Goes A Long Way.'' USAir Express unveiled the newest aircraft in the regional carriers fleet, a Dash 8-100, the first plane to have the smile painted on the nose.

''The smile will be an integral part of our fun-oriented West Coast customer service attitude and marketing campaign. Passengers will be able to connect

on one of our smiling aircraft to the entire USAir system,'' said Rudy R. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer of StatesWest Airlines Inc.

Before it was bought by USAir, Pacific Southwest Airlines had painted smiles on the front of their fleet of aircraft as a marketing tool. The question at the time of the merger concerned the value of continuing to use the smile on all USAir aircraft.

''USAir completed extensive marketing studies which indicated that while the smile worked for PSA, a regional carrier whose route system was focused in California and other western states, it had little marketing benefit in other parts of the USAir system,'' said Lawrence M. Pickett, assistant vice president of corporate communications for USAir.

''The smile on USAir Express aircraft flying in the west will have a definite marketing appeal for our western regional passengers,'' said Pickett.

Present USAir Express destinations include the California locations of Bakersfield, Burbank, Los Angeles, Monterey, Orange County Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco and Santa Barbara and Stockton. Arizona cities include Phoenix, Tucson, Lake Havasu City, Sierra, Vista/Ft. Huachuca, and Laughlin, Nev./Bullhead City, Ariz.

With the October schedule, USAir Express will operate approximately 108 daily departures between these locations.

The newest addition to the fleet, the Dash 8-100, is an advanced, 37-passenger propjet with flight attendant service, overhead storage and comfortable seating comparable to the Boeing 737 jet. USAir Express' current fleet of Beech 1900s are 19-passenger propjets that are pressurized and can obtain altitudes of up to 25,000 feet.

According to Miller, the smile will be painted on the entire fleet before the end of October. The company has a major aircraft acquisition program underway with all new planes displaying the smile.

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PARK CITY, UTAH (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Fields Software Group, a sister company of Mrs. Fields Cookies, and Burger King Corp. Thursday announced the purchase by Burger King of a special computer software system known as Retail Intelligence Operations or ROI.

The announcement was made jointly by Randall K. Fields, chairman of Mrs.

Fields Inc., and John E. Foley, vice president of management information systems, Burger King Corp. Kathleen Dahlberg, director of retail develoment, Burger King Corp., will head up the system rollout to the company restaurants.

ROI is a knowledge-based propriety software system that has been developed by Mrs. Fields Cookies as a complete store information management system. ROI software is now used by Mrs. Fields in all the company's U.S. retail stores and in the company's La Petite Boulangerie bakery stores.

The system not only provides corporate management with daily sales data and other vital information, but also serves as a local management tool for the store manager.

''Management of any retail operation must have daily data to determine how the business is doing,'' said Fields.

''This is expecially true of multi-store operations such as Burger King and Mrs. Fields. At the same time, local managers should be spending most of their time addressing customer and employee matters instead of spending excessive time preparing and administering the necessary corporate paperwork.''

Top management will receive a wide variety of data daily from hundreds of field operations. ROI software is designed to be user-friendly so individual store managers can quickly learn how to operate it. The software helps identify daily and hourly sales targets and can also create weekly and daily work schedules.

Fields Software Group is currently engaged in marketing ROI software to other multi-store retail operations.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Sym-Tek Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:SYMK) has anounced the opening of Sym-Tek Korea Inc., a manufacturing, assembly and service facility in Korea.

This facility is a joint venture owned 50 percent by Sym-Tek and 50 percent owned by Aju Exim Inc., a Korean manufacturer's representative who formerly handled Sym-Tek sales in Korea.

The new facility is in leased space in an industrial complex outside of Seoul. Sym-Tek Korea has also purchased land in the area and plans to build its own

facilities in the future, said Ray Twigg, president of Sym-Tek Systems Inc.

''Our commitment to own and operate here is based on the strong, continued growth of Korea's semiconductor memory market,'' said Twigg. ''We have been serving the Korean semiconductor market since 1988 from our facility in San Diego. Now we can serve the Korean market from a local company staffed mostly with Korean nationals,'' Twigg said.

''The success of this approach is seen in the bookings for Sym-Tek Korea, which were $3.9 million in the first six months of 1990, reflecting a $3.5 million order from Hyundai Electronics largely for our MP-3050 handler.''

The MP-3050 handler was introduced earlier this year and allows customers to test up to 16 memory semiconductor devices at one time. This handler can also process a veriety of device types with short changeover times from one device type to another.

Sym-Tek Systems Inc. is a leading producer of handlers for the semiconductor industry. Handlers provide high-speed processing of semiconductor devices dirng the testing cycle.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Holiday Inn Worldwide, the world's leading hotel chain, will enter the upper economy segment of the hotel industry's middle market with the introduction of Holiday Inn Express, company officials announced Thursday.

Holiday Inn Express is the newest extension of the Holiday Inn brand portfolio which also includes Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza and Holiday Inn Garden Court hotels.

Holiday Inn Express offers only those facilities and services that guests want -- and are willing to pay for. Research shows that the two most important features to consumers in this segment are clean, comfortable rooms and efficient check-in and check-out. The company also found that a breakfast offering represents an added value to these customers.

As a result, Langton said the Express hotels will offer a stand alone breakfast and focus on functional standard rooms and quick transactions, as the name implies.

Upper economy brands have led the industry in growth over the past three years even as supply has increased, Langton said. With Holiday Inn and Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza both outperforming the industry in both occupancy levels and revenues in their respective segments, he said the company has great expectations for the new line.

Consumers are also looking for different hotel products for different travel occasions. ''The middle market is defined by lifestyle and travel experiences. As a result, consumers want a variety of products to meet their different travel needs. With this new product we offer consumers another choice under the Holiday Inn umbrella.

Langton said that company research shows that consumers are not as cost-conscious as they are value-conscious and that their expectations rise with price. ''Consumers don't want a cheap room. What they want is a good, clean room that's an excellent value. And that's why they get with Holiday Inn Express.''

Three Holiday Inn Express hotels will open initially, all conversions of company-managed hotels, in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., Nashville, Tenn. and Abilene, Texas.

Holiday Inn's brand portfolio is evolving to meet these distinct needs in the middle market with Holiday Inn Express and Holiday Inn Garden Court hotels in the upper economy segment, Holiday Inn hotels in the full-service segment, and Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza hotels in the upper end of the middle market.

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EVERETT, WA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - INTERMEC Corp. (NASDAQ: INTR) Thursday announced that the U.S. Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has granted the company the first and, so far, only license to offer for sale spread spectrum Radio Frequency Data Collection (RF/DC) systems.

RF/DC is widely regarded to be the wave of the future in data collection as it eliminates the need for cabling of interconnected devices. Spread spectrum technology offers three distinct advantages over conventional RF/DC. It transmits data at much faster rates. It is less susceptible to interference. And it requires no FCC license by the user at the site.

Many companies have recognized the trend toward spread spectrum RF/DC and are actively pursuing it. INTERMEC, as of Oct. 2, 1990, is the first and only company to have earned FCC approval to provide this leading edge technology.

For further information, contact INTERMEC Corp., 6001 36th Avenue West, P.O. Box 4280, Everett, Wash., 98203-9280, telephone 206/348-2600, telex 3794107, or FAX 206/355-9551.

A pioneer in bar code technology and the world leader in automated data collection for information management, INTERMEC Corp. designs, manufactures and markets the most comprehensive line of data collection hardware, software, systems, supplies and service available worldwide.

NOTE: The word INTERMEC, the INTERMEC logo and the ''bar'' logo are trademarks of INTERMEC Corp.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - EMCON Associates (NASDAQ:MCON) Thursday announced the signing of its latest merger agreement with Turner Laboratories of Tucson, Ariz.

Turner Laboratories will become part of the network of laboratories under EMCON's laboratory division, Columbia Analytical Services, and will be known as Turner/CAS Laboratories Inc.

At closing ceremonies, all parties expressed their optimisn for future growth. Turner's environmental laboratory services cover Southern California, Arizona New Mexico, northern Mexico, and extend EMCON's laboratory presence into that region.

Turner, a profitable laboratory with a unique regional niche market in wastewater and pesticide residue analyses, will benefit from the complementary testing services already offered by Columbia Analytical Services.

EMCON provides comprehensive engineering and consulting services in waste management and environmental protection. Established in 1971, EMCON today is a leader in the design and development of waste management facilities and remediation and analytical programs. EMCON serves public and private clients throughout the United States.

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REDONDO BEACH, CA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - TRW has produced what it believes to be the most advanced working circuit using high-temperature superconductors TRW's Space & Technology Group announced Thursday.

The critical breakthrough was developing reproducible superfast switches, known as Josephson junctions, for the circuit.

Containing four active devices, TRW's circuit is a four-bit, analog-to-digital converter made from the rare earth compound yttrium barium copper oxide, often referred to as the 1-2-3 compound. Such circuits transform ordinary analog signals into the bits and bytes used by digital signal processing circuits found in computers and other modern electronic devices.

The circuit incorporates superconductors which operate between 40 and 77 degrees Kelvin (-420 to -360 degrees Fahrenheit). Superconductors made from easier-to-process metals typically operate between four and eight degrees Kelvin (-495 degrees Fahrenheit).

TRW's work is funded by the Defense Advanced Research Project Agency (DARPA) and monitored by the Office of Naval Research as part of its high-temperature superconductivity development program.

Superconductivity is the scientific phenomenon in which certain materials lose all resistance to the flow of electric current when they are cooled to hundreds of degrees (Fahrenheit) below zero. These materials can then conduct electricity without wasting power in overcoming resistance.

High-temperature circuits like the one demonstrated at TRW could be used in sophisticated digital electronic systems for spacecraft where power consumption and thermal control are key considerations.

TRW used innovative techniques to produce the superfast switches known as Josephson junctions in high-quality superconductor films. After intensive investigations of a variety of methods for producing a Josephson junction, the company was able to develop a process for creating reproducible devices with high performance.

TRW will apply this process to many different electronic circuits -- from magnetic sensors to analog-to-digital converters to microwave receivers and antennas.

The Josephson junction is named after Englishman Brian Josephson, who predicted that if two superconductors were placed very close together with an insulating barrier between, a current would flow between them through the insulating barrier with no applied voltage.

These junctions are built into radio frequency superconducting quantum interference devices, called RF SQUIDs. A SQUID in its simplest form consists of a Josephson junction and a loop of superconducting wire.

SQUIDs are extremely sensitive detectors of small magnetic fields. TRW's SQUIDs, operating at temperatures as high as liquid nitrogen temperatures (77 degrees Kelvin), demonstrated performance capabilities approaching those of commercially available low-temperature superconductors operating at liquid helium temperatures (four degrees Kelvin).

TRW's Space & Technology Group, based in Redondo Beach, has become a leading U.S. company in building superconducting integrated circuits after more than 10 years of ground-breaking research and development in is Applied Technology Division.

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WESTBOROUGH, Mass. (OCT.4) BUSINESS WIRE - New England Electric System (NEES) the region's second largest electric utility, has dedicated more than $4 million in 1990 to conduct research on environmental concerns such as acid rain and global warming, and to spearhead advances in energy conservation.

Some of the environmentally-oriented research projects which NEES is independently conducting this year include:

-- Indentify and test different types of coal which can be burned in existing units and emit less sulfer dioxide.

-- Test new types of coal and oil burners in our power plants to improve efficiency, utilize a wider range of fuels, and reduce emissions.

-- Analyze downstream migration habits of Atlantic salmon to determine methods which could assist the fish as they bypass hydroelectric plants on the Connecticut River.

-- Investigate various methods to manage vegetative growth in wetland areas under transmission lines in an effort to minimize environmental impacts.

In addition to environmental research, NEES also is conducting research to increase efficient energy use by its customers through development of innovative conservation and load management programs.

NEES also has committed a total of $4.5 million to work on a broad range of

research initiatives in cooperation with other utilities across the country through the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), a non-profit organization headquartered in Palo, Alto, Calif. Approximately $1.6 million of the EPRI funding is included in the $4 million cited earlier.

New England Electric System is a public utility holding company headquartered in Westborough. Subsidiaries include three retail operating companies -- Massachusetts Electric Co., which serves 906,000 customers in 146 Massachusetts communities; The Narragansett Electric Co., which serves 314,000 customers in 27 Rhode Island communities; and Granite State Electric Co., which serves 34,000 customers in 21 New Hampshire communities.

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LITTLETON, MA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Alliant Computer Systems Corp. (NASDAQ:ALNT) reported Thursday that third quarter 1990 revenue will be approximately 10-15 percent lower than third quarter 1989 and that the company will report a loss from operations of between $5 million and $6 million, or approximately 40 cents per share.

In addition, the company will record a nonrecurring charge in excess of $20 million consisting primarily of a writedown in the value of certain assets. Final results for the quarter will be disclosed in approximately three weeks. For the 1989 third quarter, revenue totalled $17.2 million and earnings were 6 cents per share.

''Revenues for the third quarter were impacted by the continuing product transition to the FX/2800 supercomputer, and further affected by the adverse economic and business climate,'' said Craig Mundie, president and chief operating officer. ''The FX/2800 continues to generate significant customer inquiry and evaluation, and new FX/2800 system bookings increased over last quarter,'' Mundie added.

''Alliant will record the nonrecurring charge and will institute tight expense controls in order to improve cash flow and return to profitability as quickly as possible,'' Mundie said.

Alliant Computer Systems Corp. manufactures standards-based parallel supercomputers with visualization tools that enable scientists and engineers to quickly interpret and solve complex problems.

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EL PASO, TX (OCT.4) BUSINESS WIRE - Luino Dell'Osso Jr., 50, senior vice president and chief financial officer for Burlington Resources in Seattle, will become executive vice president and chief operating officer for El Paso Natural Gas Co., effective Nov. 1, William A. Wise, president of El Paso Natural, said Thursday.

El Paso is a subsidiary of Burlington Resources.

In another executive change, Richard O. Baish, 44, will become senior vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary for El Paso Natural, effective Nov. 1. He has been vice president and associate general counsel and fills a vacancy created in February with the retirement of Donald J. Maciver, senior vice president and general counsel.

Dell'Osso began his career with El Paso Natural in 1973 and held key executive level positions with several El Paso subsidiaries and was named a senior vice president for El Paso in 1983. In April 1984, he was named senior vice president and chief financial officer for Burlington Northern Inc., which had acquired El Paso in 1983.

BN later spun off its energy companies in 1988 to form Burlington Resources, with whom Dell'Osso remained. As senior vice president and chief financial officer, he has been responsible for the strategic planning, treasury, controller's and corporate audit functions. In his new position at El Paso, Dell'Osso will be responsible for the operating and staffing groups.

He holds a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from the University of Notre Dame and a doctorate in chemical engineering from Rice University.

Baish joined El Paso in 1973 in the office of general counsel. He was named assistant general counsel in February 1984 and was promoted to vice president and associate general counsel in 1987. Baish was graduated from Southwest Texas State University with a bachelor of arts degree in 1969 and was awarded a law degree from the University of Texas Law School in Austin in 1972.

He is a member of the American Bar Association, Texas Bar Association, El Paso Bar Association and the Federal Energy Bar Association.

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RENO, NV (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The Sierra Pacific Resources board of directors meeting here Thursday approved a quarterly dividend on common stock of 46 cents per share, payable Nov. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 17, 1990.

The dividend continues the rate that was established Oct. 1, 1989.

Sierra Pacific Resources is the parent company of Sierra Pacific Power Co., Sierra Energy Co., Lands of Sierra and Great Basin Energy Co.

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CLEBURNE, Texas (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - GOEX Inc., manufacturer of specialty products for petroleum, defense and aerospace industries, announced the sale of its Cleburne operations to GOEX International Inc., a new company owned by GNPW L.P., a New York-based investment partnership, and a local investor group.

The sale, which was effective Oct. 1, included the Cleburne facility and seven sales/service warehouses located in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, West Virginia and Edmonton, Alberta. GOEX Inc. retained its black powder and other explosives manufacturing divisions located in Pennsylvania and Arkansas, and will continue those operations, as GOEX Inc.

The new company, GOEX International Inc., will continue manufacturing specialty products for the petroleum, defense and aerospace industries, and intends to expand its government contracting business as well as increase diversification of its line of petroleum products.

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CARLSBAD, Calif. (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - GASCARD Inc. (OTC) of Carlsbad Thursday announced earnings for its fourth quarter and a record profit for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31.

The company reported net profits of $11,614, or .02 cent per share, on $1,357,222 in revenues for the fourth quarter ended Aug. 31, compared with a gain of $74,068, or .1 cent per share, on $1,348,966 in revenues for the fourth quarter in the prior year.

The company reported net profits of $155,635, or .2 cent per share, on $5,065,569 in revenues for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990, compared with a loss of $568,192, or 1 cent per share, on $4,722,826 in revenues for the prior year.

GASCARD believes that environmental concerns and fleet managers' growing interest in fuel management will benefit the company in the coming year.

Thomas L. Jewell, president and chief operating officer, said: ''GASCARD anticipated the need for fleet managers to automate their fleet fueling operations and its reporting in order to contain rising fuel costs. GASCARD provides the best business solution for these managers.

''In addition, the Environmental Protection Agency regulations affecting the owners and operators of underground fuel storage tanks will further increase demand for the company's services as those owners and operators decide to remove those tanks in favor of using GASCARD's network of fleet fueling locations.''

Background

GASCARD provides fuel management services to tens of thousands of commercial fleets that transact over 12 million gallons of fuel per month through more than 2,000 locations in 39 states. GASCARD has developed and markets nationally a comprehensive card-activated fuel management system designed to reduce commercial and governmental fleet fueling costs.

The GASCARD system can prevent unauthorized purchases, lower accounting, administrative and other costs of fleet fueling, and eliminate or lessen the environmental risks of underground fuel storage tank ownership or operation.

Each billing cycle, the GASCARD system reports complete fleet fueling transaction data -- date, time, site, vehicle, driver, odometer, miles per gallon, cents per mile, product, volume, price, extension and excise tax details -- that fleet managers can use to maximize fleet efficiency.

Through the company's franchisees, which are typically independent petroleum marketers, the GASCARD system is marketed primarily for use by local and regional delivery, sales and service fleets, such as fuel and beverage distributors, overnight package delivery services, taxis, public utilities and government agencies.

The company was originally organized in May 1981 and went public through an offering of its common stock in March 1987. In January 1990, the U.S. Patent Office issued Patent No. 4,891,503 to GASCARD for its Distributed Authorization System.

This sophisticated database management program automatically maintains

individualized subsets of the company's national database in local point-of-sale terminals, which enables them to authorize and process transactions almost instantaneously without recourse to GASCARD's central computer and thus at a greatly reduced telecommunications cost.

GASCARD's common stock is traded on the over-the-counter market.

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CAMARILLO, Calif. (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - California Amplifier Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CAMP) Thursday announced that Michael R. Ferron was elected vice president, finance, and chief financial officer of the company, effective Oct. 15.

Ferron is currently senior audit manager for the Orange County office of the certified public accounting firm of Deloitte & Touche. For the past three years he has specialized in high-growth technology companies. Previously, Ferron was an audit principal for Arthur Young & Co.

Barry W. Hall, chairman and chief executive officer of California Amplifier, said: ''Michael comes to the company at a time when we are growing rapidly. His extensive knowledge of financial reporting and manufacturing systems should contribute significantly to our ongoing efforts to manage this growth.''

Hall added, ''Having functioned as acting CFO during the last 15 months, I especially look forward to the added dimension that Michael will bring to our talent-ladened management team.''

California Amplifier designs, manufactures and markets components and integrated subsystems used in microwave telecommunications. Applications for these products include commercial satellite earth stations, home satellite dishes and wireless cable systems.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - At the annual meeting of stockholders Tuesday, the Nostalgia Network Inc. elected a slate of 10 individuals to serve on the company's board of directors.

The newly elected board members are: Michael E. Marcovsky, chairman of Nostalgia Network; John A. Janas, president; Charles V. Bush; Jonathan S. Park; Nyhl L. Henson, Max Hugel; Christopher A. Cates; Ambassador Gerald P.

Carmen; Bruce F. Finland and William A. Jones.

In other business, the stockholders approved the company's 1990 incentive and non-qualified stock option plan; approved amendments to the company's Certificate of Incorporation that delete the provision which permits the board to be divided into classes and require the consent of two-thirds of the voting power of the company to amend the bylaws; and ratified the appointment of the firm of Lane, Gorman, Trubitt & Co. as independent accountants to audit financial statements for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31.

A final item regarding an authorization of the company to offer all stockholders rights to subscribe for additional shares of common stock was not voted on and will be voted on when the adjourned meeting is reconvened at 10 a.m. (PST) on Oct. 22 at 3575 Cahuenga Blvd., Suite 495, Los Angeles, Calif.

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EAST HANOVER, NJ (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The Ultimate Corp. (NYSE:ULT) announced Thursday that James Matthews III has been promoted to vice president of finance and chief financial officer.

According to Ultimate chairman and president Michael J. O'Donnell, Matthews will report directly to O'Donnell and will continue to oversee Ultimate's financial reporting, analysis and corporate-accounting operations, and will participate in corporate long-range planning.

In making the announcement, O'Donnell said: ''Jim has made an outstanding contribution since joining Ultimate. His financial leadership was helpful and important during our recent restructuring efforts, and we believe he will continue to provide insightful direction for the Ultimate team, as we continue with our new emphasis on software and services.

Matthews joined Ultimate in May 1989 and most recently served as vice president and controller. Before coming to Ultimate, Matthews was director of finance with Pine Brook, N.J.-based Hugin Sweda Inc., where he was responsible for financial reporting, planning and analysis and cash management.

He held financial-management positions with White Plains, N.Y.-based NYNEX Business Information Systems Co., including management of financial accounting analysis and pricing.

Prior to NYNEX, Matthews served in various financial-management positions with AM Varityper, a division of Chicago-based AM International Inc., a graphics-industry company. There, he was responsible for pricing assessment, cash management and operations analysis. Matthews also served as vice

president and controller of Hamilton Soap and Oil Products Inc. of Hawthorne, N.J.

Ultimate provides business solutions to companies of all sizes by integrating system-level software and applications software on hardware platforms from premier computer vendors such as Bull HN, Hewlett-Packard, IBM and Sequoia.

The firm also provides educaiton, training, consulting and field-maintenance services to customers across a wide range of vertical markets. In addition to its domestic operations, Ultimate has subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, Canada, France and Australia.

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MILPITAS, CA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Logic Modeling Systems Inc., developer of the LM-1000, the industry-standard hardware modeling system, Thursday announced general availability of the 68040 Logic Model, the first full-function simulation model of the Motorola 68040 microprocessor.

Limited quantities were previously distributed to certain Motorola customers under Logic Modeling's Early Availability program.

The 68040 Logic Model is the latest addition to Logic Modeling's extensive library of 32-bit microprocessors that already includes the other members of the Motorola 68000 family plus products from the Motorola 88000 family.

''New, complex technologies and increasing market pressures have made accurate full-function simulation models of microprocessors necessary tools for system designers,'' said Roy Druian, 68040 product manager at Motorola. ''So necessary, in fact, that Motorola and Logic Modeling worked closely together to provide 68040 Logic Models to certain customers well before the release of production silicon.

''These customers have already realized substantial improvement in the quality of their designs.''

Hardware modeling solves the simulation model availability problem for system and ASIC designers by allowing the physical VLSI device to be used to model its own behavior during design verification. Logic Models can execute actual system code enabling more thorough system verification.

The LM-1000 Logic Model Library provides designers with access to over 600 hardware models of important VLSI devices on the market today. The LM-1000 hardware modeling system is platform- and simulator-independent.

Logic Modeling sells through OEM relationships with EDA vendors including Cadence, GenRad, IKOS, Mentor Graphics, Racal-Redac, Scientific Calculations, Siemens, Teradyne, Valid, Vantage Analysis Systems, Viewlogic Systems, Zycad Corp., and to companies with proprietary simulators.

Logic Modeling Systems Inc. is a privately held company, with corporate headquarters located at 1520 McCandless Drive, Milpitas, Calif., 95035, telephone 408/957-5200.

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MIDVALE, UT (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Ballard Medical Products (NASDAQ/NMS:BMED) reported that unaudited net income for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $6,005,000 (including $448,018 from non-recurring items), up from $3,969,824 for fiscal 1989.

Net sales for the year were $29,145,000 compared to $20,587,408 for last year. Fourth quarter 1990 net income was $1,658,396 compared to $1,134,854 fourth quarter fiscal 1989. Fourth quarter sales were $8,031,821 compared with $5,989,455 for the same quarter 1989.

After giving effect to the 50 percent stock dividend just declared, net income per share (including common stock equivalents) for the fiscal year was 72.8 cents (including 5.4 cents from non-recurring items) compared to 49.7 cents for the prior year. Net income per share for the fourth quarter totaled 20.1 cents versus 14.0 cents a year ago.

Without giving effect to the 50 percent stock dividend, the net income per share (including common stock equivalents) for the 1990 fiscal year would have been $1.092 (including 8.2 cents from non-recurring items).

The board of directors of Ballard Medical has declared a 3 for 2 stock split-up, in the nature of a 50 percent stock dividend on the common stock of the company. The dividend shares shall be distributed Nov. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business Oct. 15, 1990.

The board of directors of Ballard Medical has declared a 7 cent per share

dividend, up 5 percent from last year, to be distributed in a single payment Nov. 1, 1990. The dividend will be distributed to stockholders of record at the close of business Oct. 20, 1990.

As of September 30, 1990, Ballard Medical had 8,009,159 shares of common stock outstanding. Shares are restated for 50 percent stock dividend.

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PORTSMOUTH, R.I. (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Quadrax Corp. (NASDAQ:QDRX) announced Wednesday that Richard W. Beatty has been elected to the company's board of directors.

Beatty is a senior vice president and partner of Fleet Associates, the investment banking affiliate of Fleet/Norstar Financial Group. Previously, he was director of corporate finance at Ranieri Wilson & Co. Inc. and a vice president in the corporate finance and merger and acquisition groups at Salomon Brothers, where he specialized in rapidly growing and technology companies.

Beatty, a graduate of Swarthmore College with a B.S. in engineering, received a National Science Foundation Award and served as a research assistant at The Brookings Institution. He received an M.B.A. from Harvard, where he was a McCabe Fellow.

Quadrax Corp., headquartered in Portsmouth, is a supplier of advanced composite materials, equipment and services.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - National Medical Enterprises Inc. (NYSE/PSE/London:NME), one of the nation's largest health care services companies, Thursday announced seven key promotions in its Hospital Group.

In the Western Division, Thomas B. Mackey has been appointed a senior vice president of operations; William R. Wilson has been named senior vice president of finance for the division; and David S. Dearman has been appointed

a regional vice president of finance.

In the Eastern Division, Frank Tidikis and James D. Shelton have been named senior vice presidents of operations; Michael Gallo has been appointed senior vice president of finance for the division; and Ben King has been named vice president of finance for the division.

Mackey, who joined NME in 1985 as vice president of operations in the former Medical Centers Division, most recently served as vice president of operations. He will be responsible for overseeing the operations of five acute care hospitals including the 275-bed USC University Hospital, scheduled to open in Los Angeles in 1991.

Prior to joining NME, Mackey was employed at Greatwest Hospitals as a hospital chief executive officer and vice president of operations. He began his career at University of California, San Diego, University Hospital, after completing his bachelor's degree at Northeastern University and his master's degree in business administration at Cornell University.

Wilson, who began his NME career in 1980, became vice president of finance for the Western Division in 1985. After working in Saudi Arabia, he returned to the United States as a regional vice president of finance in the Eastern Division, before joining the Western Division.

He earned his bachelor's degree in accounting from Southern Arkansas University.

Dearman, who joined NME in 1981, has served in several financial posts in New Orleans and Dallas and has been with the Western Division for three years. He most recently served as an assistant vice president of finance.

He earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Southern Mississippi.

National Medical Enterprises, one of the nation's largest health care service companies, owns, operates and manages acute, psychiatric and physical rehabilitative hospitals, and substance abuse treatment centers throughout the United States and internationally.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxtor Corp. (NASDAQ:MXTR), a leading supplier of high-performance data storage products, Thursday announced

the shipment of its XT-8760S 5.25-inch SCSI disk drives (formatted to 669 megabytes) to Sun Microsystems for use in a number of workstations.

''This win is especially satisfying, following on the heels of our recent design-in to provide Sun our LXT 213S 3.5-inch products,'' said George Scalise Maxtor's president and CEO. ''We look forward to a long, profitable relationship in servicing many of the data storage needs of Sun.''

Sun Microsystems Inc., with headquarters in Mountain View, Calif., is a leading worldwide supplier of networked-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating systems and productivity software.

Maxtor Corp. was founded in 1982 and has its headquarters in San Jose. The company and its subsidiaries design and manufacture high-performance Winchester and optical data storage products in San Jose; Longmont, Colo.; Singapore; Hong Kong and Malaysia, and have a worldwide sales and distribution network. Maxtor's products range from 40 megabytes to 2.1 gigabytes, and are designed for use in computer systems, workstations, personal computers, laptop computers and local area networks.

The corporation employs approximately 9,000 people worldwide. Its stock is traded under the NASDAQ symbol MXTR.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Jay Jacobs Inc. (NASDAQ: JAYJ) Thursday announced that sales for the month of September 1990 increased approximately 3 percent to $8.8 million from $8.5 million in September 1989.

Sales in comparable stores decreased 9 percent for the month. For the seven months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales increased 22 percent from $55.1 million to $67.0 million, while sales in comparable stores increased 10 percent for the same period.

Jay Jacobs sells fashion forward merchandise to young men and women through its 192 apparel stores located principally in regional shopping malls in 11 Western states and three Midwestern states.

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DENVER (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Scott's Liquid Gold-Inc., Denver, announced the election of Michael J. Sheets to its board of directors.

Sheets will also act as a consultant to the company, primarily in the areas of marketing and product development. Prior to his election, Michael J. Sheets was president and chief executive officer of Airwick (Reckitt & Colman Household Products).

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SCHENECTADY, N.Y. (OCT.4) BUSINESS WIRE - GE Power Generation announced Thursday that it has signed two offshore contracts totaling $62.8 million for the supply of gas turbines for use in the production of electrical power.

The first contract is for a 230-megawatt Uruguayan power plant to be built in consortium with an Argentine constructor, Techint. The total project cost is $79 million; GE's share of the project is $56 million. Based on U.S. usage, this power plant could meet the electrical power needs for a city of 165,000 people, roughly the size of Chattanooga, Tenn.

The contract is with the national utility of Uruguay, Administracion Nacional de Usinas y Trasmisiones Electricas (UTE), and calls for the supply and installation of two GE MS9001E gas turbines -- the first 9Es to be installed in Latin America. The power plant will supply back-up power for the UTE system. It will be located at La Tablada, a suburb of Montevideo, the capital of Uruguay.

The project includes supply and installation of equipment and spares, transportation, plant construction and start-up. It also calls for the construction of a pipeline from a nearby refinery to supply oil for fuel, as well as a short transmission line to a main substation for the existing 150 KV grid.

The first gas turbine is slated for shipment in December of this year and the second during the first quarter of 1991. The two units are scheduled to be installed by the second half of 1991, with total project completion slated for the second quarter of 1992.

The second contract is for the supply of an MS5001PA gas turbine-generator for a power plant to provide electricity to Caltex Petroleum Corp.'s oil fields in Sumatra, Indonesia. GE received the $6.8 million order through the consortium of P.T. Imeco and Tripatra Engineering, which is developing the project for Caltex.

The 26-megawatt turbine-generator will be installed as unit no. 6 in Caltex's Minas Power Station and will use natural gas, crude oil and distillate as fuel. Five MS5001LA units are currently installed in the power station.

In addition to the gas turbine-generator GE will provide controls for the unit. Slated for shipment in December of this year, the unit is scheduled for operation during the first quarter of 1992.

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LAWRENCEVILLE, N.J. (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Multi Soft Inc., (NASDAQ:MSOF), a subsidiary of Multi Solutions (NASDAQ:MULT), and an IBM Business Partner, announced that it has been chosen as one of a select group of companies called ''IBM Enterprise Systems Vendor.''

While promoting its new family of ES/9000 processors, IBM has produced a video tape and demonstration diskette, highlighting Multi Soft and its INFRONT Cooperative processing software products.

Patti Prairie, IBM's Director of Enterprise Computing Applications, says, ''The title 'IBM Business Partner' is not one that we award lightly. An IBM Business Partner provides the software and support to turn IBM systems into complete applications solutions. All of our Business Partners are chosen by what they do, how they do it, and how well they do it.''

According to Charles J. Lombardo, chairman of Multi Soft, ''We expect that our enhanced relationship will lead to significant new business oppotunities for Multi Soft in the near future. Our INFRONT software products help IBM clients leverage their investment in Enterprise systems by providing easy to use PC interfaces in front of their existing and future mainframe applications.''

Miriam Jarney, executive vice-president at Multi Soft, is enthusiastic about the Multi-Soft partnership with IBM. ''It was their idea to produce a set of first-rate marketing materials, at no cost ot us, in order to promote the benefits that their hardware and our software give to the marketplace. This IBM endorsement of Multi Soft validates what we have been saying about cooperative processing since 1985.''

For more information about Multi Soft and its products, and to receive your free copy of the IBM/Multi Soft videotape and demonstration diskette, please contract Gerry Jurrens at 609/896-4100.

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WESTFORD, MA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation and Entropic Research Laboratory, Inc. today announced the availability of Entropic's ESPS signal processing and waves+ graphics software products on Concurrent's Series 5000 and 6000 Real-Time UNIX computer systems. The Entropic products, available through Concurrent's Third-Party Marketing Distributed Products Program, will be sold by both sales organizations.

Entropic's ESPS signal processing product features self-describing files, programming libraries, and on-line documentation. ESPS is written in the C programming language and is compatible with both the X Window System and Network File System. waves+ is an interactive graphics interface allowing the viewing, editing, analysis, and labeling of signal data. Together, ESPS and waves+ provide a comprehensive tools package supporting a full range of research and development activities.

''Entropic's products add breadth to Concurrent's product offering. Their ESPS and waves+ products provide Concurrent users an excellent package to build their signal processing applications,'' said Pam LaBove, third party marketing manager of Concurrent.

Jim Glenn, vice president of marketing and sales at Entropic, commented ''ESPS supports a number of Concurrent's A/D and D/A system options, thus providing a research-quality UNIX network resource for signal input, output, and analysis. Many of our customers rely on the real-time I/O capabilities offered by Concurrent, as we do in our own laboratory.''

Entropic Research Laboratory, Inc. located in Washington, D.C. develops, manufactures and markets state-of-the-art signal processing software for UNIX network operation. Over 140 laboratories worldwide now use ESPS and waves+ to develop new technology and products for applications in speech and hearing, telecommunications, defense, medicine, and music.

Concurrent Computer Corporation, headquartered in Tinton Falls, New Jersey, is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through the Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems Groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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LYNNWOOD, WA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Carver Corp. (NASDAQ:CAVR), the Lynnwood-based manufacturer of high quality audio components, Thursday announced that The Association for Quality and Participation has awarded it a quality award for Outstanding Achievement in the Pursuit of Quality.

The Association for Quality and Participation (A.Q.P.) is an organization of personnel from the manufacturing and service industries. They promote participation at all organizational levels to achieve quality improvement.

In making the award to Carver Corp., A.Q.P. noted that Carver Corp. had implemented sweeping changes to improve the quality of its production process in the last 10 months. Specifically a modular production process was implemented and productivity has nearly doubled since December 1989. To control materials and shipping costs, a strategic vendor partnership program was begun. A.Q.P. also noted that Carver Corp. affirmatively sought customer feed back via response cards sent out by its Service Department with repaired product.

Finally, A.Q.P. acknowledged Carver's implementation of recognition for money-saving ideas and outstanding employees and its profit sharing plan and on-site daycare.

In making the award, A.Q.P. recognized Carver's comprehensive approach to quality improvement in operations; citing that involvement and recognition for employees has been a key factor in Carver's approach to Total Quality Management; and its demonstration of the cost-effectiveness of vendor partnerships and of employee involvement in the management process. The programs implemented by Carver Corp., which ultimately led to its award for outstanding achievement, are instrumental in returning Carver to profitability.

Carver designs, develops, manufactures and markets high fidelity audio components which are known for their superior sound reproduction.

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BASKING RIDGE, N.J. (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Thursday announced that it is expanding its DESERT FAX service to include 23 military bases in the United

States.

DESERT FAX is a free service that enables family and friends to send one-page fax messages to American military personnel serving in the Middle East. Previously, the service was available only from AT&T's 400 Phone Centers nationwide.

However, the service has proved so popular that the military asked AT&T to set up fax machines or fax collection points at designated bases. These bases have sent large numbers of troops to the Middle East and are not near any AT&T Phone Center.

In addition to the 23 bases with direct connections to the DESERT FAX system, six other bases are collecting faxes for transmission elsewhere.

''By expanding the service in this way, thousands of additional people will be able to send fax messages to friends and family participating in Operation Desert Shield,'' said Robert Dalziel, AT&T Vice President - Global Networks.

More than 40,000 messages have been sent via DESERT FAX since it began Sept. 21. AT&T will operate the service through the end of the year, and is spending $1 million in start-up and operation costs. After the faxes are sent to the Middle East, the Military Postal Service delivers them to troops at regular mail calls.

''The Military Postal Service has the last and most difficult leg of a DESERT FAX message's long journey from a Phone Center to a foxhole, air base or ship '' Dalziel said. ''We couldn't do it without them.''

Because the fax messages are sent electronically, the time required to reach the Military Postal Service in the Middle East is significantly reduced.

Special fax forms for the service are available at the bases listed below. People fill in the forms with the name of a person stationed in the Mideast, the APO/FPO address, and the person's military identification number. A designated space for a written message or drawing occupies three-fourths of the form. Without a valid APO/FPO address, the message cannot be sent.

Military Bases offering DESERT FAX are: Fort Hood, Texas; Ft. Huachuca, Ariz.; Ft. Stewart, Ga.; Ft. Bragg, N.C.; Ft. Campbell, Kty.; Ft. Drum, N.Y.; Dover Air Force Base, Del.; MacDill Air Force Base, Fla.; Pope Air Force Base, N.C.; Keesler Air Force Base, Miss.; Shaw Air Force Base, S.C.; McGuire Air Force Base, N.J. (also serves Ft. Dix); Griffis Air Force Base, N.Y.; Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.; (also serves Hurlbert Field); Chanute Air Force Base, Ill.; Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.; Vance Air Force Base, Okla.; Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas; Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas; Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas; Camp Lejune, North Carolina; Marine Air Station, Yuma, Ariz.; Marine Corps Air/Ground Combat Center, 29 Palms, Calif.

In addition, DESERT FAX collection points have been set up on the following bases, with messages transmitted from a site off-base: Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station, Hawaii; Naval Station Pearl Harbor, Hawaii; Hickam Air Force Base Hawaii; Ft. DeRussy, Hawaii; Roosevelt Roads Naval Station, Puerto Rico; Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico.

CONTACT: AT&T, Basking Ridge
Mike Miller, 201/953-7139 (office)
or 201/879-4212 (home)

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MT. LAUREL, N.J. (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Tyco Toys Inc. (NASDAQ:TTOY) and Nasta International Inc. (AMEX:NAS) Thursday jointly announced that Tyco has completed its $1.25 cash tender offer for any and all outstanding shares of Nasta International Inc.

The offer, which was made by TNI Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Tyco, commenced on August 14 and expired at midnight yesterday.

Tyco said that, based on a preliminary count, a total of approximately 1,105,469 Nasta shares (including approximately 117,384 shares subject to guarantees of delivery) had been tendered pursuant to the offer, and that all properly tendered shares will be purchased in accordance with the terms of the offer.

The shares tendered, together with the shares currently owned by Tyco, constitute approximately 95.8 percent of Nasta's outstanding shares.

Tyco and Nasta also announced that Tyco intends to effect promptly a short-form merger transaction pursuant to which Nasta will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Tyco and all remaining Nasta stockholders (other than Tyco TNI and stockholders who properly exercise appraisal rights) will be entitled to receive the same $1.25 cash price for each of their shares.

Tyco, headquartered in Mt. Laural, markets a broad range of toys.

CONTACT: Tyco Toys Inc., Mt. Laurel
Harry J. Pearce, 609/234-7400
or
Nasta International Inc., Philadelphia
Burton J. Newman, 215/698-2121

-30- 1641
#90277b0654 10/04/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The Good Guys! (NASDAQ:GGUY) Thursday announced that sales for its fourth fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30 were $78.7 million, up 51 percent from $52.1 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Comparable store sales increased 16 percent.

For the fiscal year ended Sept. 30 sales increased 51 percent to $294 million from $195 million for the like period last year. Comparable store sales for fiscal year 1990 rose 23 percent from year-ago levels.

The Good Guys! is a leading specialty retailer of consumer electronics, operating 26 stores in California and Nevada, and markets a broad range of high-quality, name-brand products.

CONTACT: The Good Guys!, San Francisco
Richard Oppenheimer, 415/259-5233

-30- 929
#90277b0656 10/04/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JOSE, CA. (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Aldus Corp. Thursday announced Aldus Design Team, a suite of professional creative tools for electronic design and production.

Aldus Design Team comprises three graphic-arts programs for the Macintosh: Aldus FreeHand 2.02, an advanced drawing program for high-quality design and illustration; Aldus PageMaker 4.0, a writing, design and production tool for desktop publishing; and Aldus PrePrint 1.0, a desktop production tool for enhancing images and producing four-color separations.

''As designers increasingly move their work to the computer desktop, they require a wider selection of electronic tools,'' said Deirdre Devlin, Aldus graphic-arts marketing manager. ''Aldus Design Team offers our customers a wide range of features -- from design to layout to production -- which until now have not been available as one package.''

In addition, Devlin said, customers receive the benefits of dealing with a single vendor, with the same service and support for all three products.

Aldus Design Team is available from Aldus dealers for the suggested retail price of $1,295 -- a savings of up to $490 when compared with purchasing the products individually at their suggested retail prices. For more information, contact Aldus Customer Relations at 206/628-2320.

Aldus Corp. (NASDAQ: ALDC) creates computer software that helps people throughout the world effectively communicate information and ideas. The Aldus product line also includes Aldus Persuasion desktop presentations software. Products from Aldus' subsidiary, Silicon Beach Software, include SuperPaint,

SuperCard, Digital Darkroom, and Super 3D. Aldus distributes both product lines through an international network of more than 16,000 dealers and distributors.

CONTACT: Aldus Corp., Seattle; Jane Dauber, 206/628-6674

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Firetector Inc. announces that it has reduced the exercise price of its Class A Common Stock purchase Warrants (''Warrants'') to 35 cents per share.

All unexercised Warrants expire at the close of business on Nov. 30.

Firetector, through its operating subsidiaries, desgins, manufactures, sells and services a variety of life safety, fire, security, energy management and audio-video communications systems for office buildings, hotels, apartment buildings and other commercial buildings.

CONTACT: Firetector Inc., New York
Marc Palker, 516/921-3400

-30- 781

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ROSLYN, N.Y. (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Cheyenne Software Inc. (AMEX:CYE) (''Cheyenne'') reported that for the year ended June 30, consolidated revenues of Cheyenne and its 53 percent owned subsidiary, Gates/FA, a microcomputer distributor, (NASD:FACO) were $168,209,000 as compared to $99,223,000 for the year ended June 30, 1989.

The net loss was $2,062,000, or ($.21) per share, for fiscal year 1990 vs. a net loss of $2,118,000, or ($.23) per share, in the prior period.

Cheyenne's management anticipates that Cheyenne will be profitable on a consolidated basis for the quarter ended Sept. 30, and for the year as a whole. Gates/FA's sales continue to build and cost savings realized are expected to contribute to its profitability. Cheyenne's software sales increases are anticipated principally from recently signed original equipment manufacturers (''OEM'') agreements.

Gates/FA's sales grew from $98,625,000 for fiscal year 1989 to $166,490,000 for fiscal year 1990, a 69 percent increase over the previous year.

Operating income (before interest expense) increased to $2,927,000 as compared to $1,458,000 in the previous year. Income before income taxes and extraordinary credit for fiscal year 1990 was $110,000.

Management expects lower sales growth but higher profits during fiscal year 1991.

In fiscal year 1990, Cheyenne's software business emerged from the development stage; its sales grew 187 percent from $598,000 to $1,719,000. The successful introduction of ARCserve and Monitrix, widely acclaimed data backup and management products for the rapidly growing local area network (LAN) marketplace, were mainly responsible for the sales growth.

A number of important OEM agreements for those products were signed during the last seven months. Revenues from some of these agreements were initiated during the fourth fiscal quarter of 1990, accelerated during the first fiscal quarter of 1991 and are expected to continue to grow during the current fiscal year.

CONTACT: Cheyenne Software Inc., Roslyn
Eli Oxenhorn or Elliot Levine, 516/484-5110

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AMSTELVEEN, The Netherlands (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - KLM results for the second quarter of 1990/91 (July through September), though positive, are expected to show a considerable decline compared to last year's second quarter.

This can mainly be attributed to sharply rising fuel prices and insurance premiums and the influence of weakening currency exchange rates on revenues. These factors are affecting many airlines in the world, including those in which KLM has holdings.

If these factors continue to exert their influence through the coming winter, then the results for fiscal 1990/91 - as far as can currently be foreseen - will show a significant loss.

CONTACT: KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, Amstelveen
Odette Fodor, 914/784-2480 (in Elmsford, N.Y.).

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TULSA, OK (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Geodyne Resources, Inc. (NASDAQ: GEOD) Thursday announced it had raised over $62 million in energy income partnership subscriptions during the eight weeks ended September 28, 1990.

In September, the company raised $37.2 million in investor capital, the largest monthly sales since the partnership offerings began in 1984.

Through September of 1990, cumulative investor subscriptions stood at $121 million for the calendar year compared to $81 million for the same nine month period in calendar year 1989, a 49 percent increase. Total cumulative PaineWebber/Geodyne Energy Income Program sales exceeded $520 million since inception.

''We are extremely proud of passing the $500 million milestone in program sales,'' said Michael Tomasso, President of Geodyne Resources.

Headquartered in Tulsa, Geodyne Resources Inc. manages the PaineWebber/Geodyne Energy Income Programs I, II and III and PaineWebber/Geodyne Institutional/Pension Energy Income Programs I and II and evaluates, acquires, manages and develops oil and gas reserves for its limited partnerships. The company also has offices in Houston and San Antonio.

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by
The Investor Relations Company, Chicago
Dixie Watterson, 708/564-5610
Bruce Marcus, 212/599-2820 In New York
Largent Parks, 214/387-4520 In Dallas
Earle Brown, 813/796-1452 In Ohio/FL/NC
Tim King, 213/541-4415 In Los Angeles.

-30- 1762
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ROUYN-NORANDA, QUEBEC (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Lyon Lake Mines Ltd. (LLL:ME) announces that drilling has started on the Beta Vargas property located in Costa Rica.

Lyon Lake has the right to acquire a 50 percent interest in this property. The exploration program consists of 21 drill holes to confirm and possibly increase the 6,700,000 tons of reserves grading 0.034 ounce of gold per short ton, as evaluated by Minera Nacional S.A. (Minasa), Costa Rica's governmental exploration office.

Following receipt of the required permits and rights-of-way, drilling started in August 1990. Four drill holes have been completed up to now. Assays are conducted by MetricLab, a Canadian laboratory. The results from drill hole No.1, located at the south-eastern extremity of the deposit, are as follows:

Drill Hole No.1	Meters	Feet	Oz/st Au
16.7 m to 34.7 m	18	59	0.035
including 20.5 m to 31.4 m	10.9	35	0.049

In addition, the geologist in charge of the drilling program has reported having observed the same alteration and mineralization in drill holes No.2, 3 and 4. The drilling program should be completed in December 1990 and will be followed by heap leaching tests and a feasibility study.

The actual reserves of the Beta Vargas property occur in a 70-meter high, non wooded hill, located near infrastructures necessary for a mining operation (paved road, electricity, water, manpower). In the event of a positive decision to start production and the receipt of operation and environment permits, the company plans a 3,000 to 5,000-tonne per day open pit operation, without the use of explosives, owing to the state of oxidation of the ore and the heap leaching method used to treat the ore. The property could be put into production by the end of 1991.

In other respects, Lyon Lake was advised by Mosquito Consolidated Gold Mines Ltd., at the end of September 1990, of its intention to resign as Operator of the Mosquito Project located in British Columbia. Transfer of operatorship will be effective on Nov. 1, 1990. The interest held by Lyon Lake in this former gold producer will then be approximately 52 percent.

CONTACT: Lyon Lake Mines Ltd., Rouyan Noranda
Michael Bouchard, 819/764-9411
or
Guy Herbert, 514/861-9172.

-30- 2605

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POMONA, NY (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Barr Laboratories Inc. (AMEX:BRL) received approval Thursday for a new indication for its Dipyridamole Tablets; as an adjunct to coumarin anticoagulants in the prevention of postoperative thromoembolic complications of cardiac valve replacement.

Being fully approved for effectiveness as well as safety, Barr's Dipyridamole Tablets now carry an AB rating. This means that Barr's product is therapeutically equivalent to, and can be substituted for, the innovator's product -- Boehringer-Ingelheim's PERSANTINE.

Prior to any generic receiving an AB rating, Boehringer had increased its prices for PERSANTINE by approximately 41 percent over the past three years. The American public can now enjoy a substantial cost savings by buying Barr's Dipyridamole Tablets.

Barr estimates that the total Dipryidamole market is in excess of $110 million.

Barr's product is available in 25 mg, 50 mg and 75 mg tablets.

Barr Laboratories is a prime manufacturer of a broad range of multi-source

pharmaceutical products commonly known as generic drugs.

CONTACT: Barr Laboratories Inc., Pomona
Louis J. Guerci, 914/362-1100.

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BOSTON (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Colonial High Income Municipal Trust, (NYSE:CXE) a closed-end investment company, Thursday released earnings and dividends for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

The Fund commenced investment operations Feb. 16, 1989. The results are as follows:

	3rd Quarter Ending Sept. 30, 1990		3rd Quarter Ending Sept. 30, 1989	
	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$ 5,949	$0.20	$ 5,664	$0.19
Income dividends	(6,285)	(0.21)	(5,271)	(0.18)
Capital gain dividends	(941)	(0.03)	--	--
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(2,896)	(0.09)	(3,980)	(0.13)
Decrease in net asset value from operations	(4,173)	(0.13)	(3,587)	(0.12)
Value of shares issued for reinvested dividends	818	N/A	506	N/A
Net assets value:				
Beginning of quarter	278,601	9.19	283,633	9.44
End of quarter	$275,246	$9.06	$280,552	$9.32
Market price at end of the quarter		$9.375		$9.625

	Fiscal Year-to-Date Through Sept. 30, 1990		Fiscal Year-to-Date Through Sept. 30, 1989	
	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$ 17,915	$0.59	$ 12,836	$0.43
Income dividends	(18,774)	(0.62)	(11,096)	(0.37)
Capital gain				

dividends	(941)	(0.03)	--	--
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(7,204)	(0.23)	(440)	(0.02)

CONTACT: Colonial High Income Municipal Trust, Boston
Rich Silver, 617/426-3750.

-30- 2154

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LAS VEGAS (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - United Gaming Inc. (NASDAQ:UGAM) Thursday announced it has appointed Jerry R. Flynn as president of its subsidiary, United Coin Machine Co.

United Coin Machine is Nevada's largest gaming machine route operator with approximately 6,000 gaming devices in operation throughout the state. United Coin Machine also designs and manufactures video and real-type gaming devices for use in its locations and in United Gaming's casino and gaming arcades. United Coin Machine accounted for approximately 90 percent of United Gaming's fiscal 1990 revenues.

Flynn most recently served as the General Manager of United Coin Machine's northern Nevada operations. His efforts there resulted in building United Coin Machine to the largest route machine operation in northern Nevada. The results of fiscal 1990 demonstrated this growth and profit improvement as United Coin Machine's income from northern Nevada route operations rose by 21 percent.

Prior to joining United Coin Machine, Flynn served in several financial, marketing and management positions with International Game Technology (IGT).

United Gaming maintains a market leadership position as the largest gaming machine route operator. In addition to its gaming machine route operations, the company also manufactures and sells video and reel-type gaming devices in many areas of the world. United Gaming is also the operator of a casino and three gaming arcades in Nevada.

CONTACT: United Gaming Inc., Las Vegas
Alfred H. Wilms or Carole A. Carter, 702/435-4200
by
Dewe Rogerson Inc., New York
Joseph N. Jaffoni or Matthew J. Harrington, 212/688-6840

-30- 1851

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NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Dollar General Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DOLR) Thursday reported increased sales for the period ended Sept. 28, 1990.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Cal Turner Jr., said retail sales for the four weeks ended Sept. 28, 1990, totaled $45.9 million, compared with $40.7 million in 1989, an increase of 12.7 percent. Same store sales for the period increased 8.3 percent.

''We are pleased with the September sales improvement,'' Turner said. ''The distribution centers continue to operate well and the inventory level in the stores is higher than last year. We look forward to a good October.''

For the first two months of the third quarter, Dollar General's retail sales totaled $114.6 million, compared with $101.5 million for the like period last year, an increase of 13 percent. Same store sales for the quarter to date have increased 9 percent.

For the first eight months of the year, Dollar General retail sales totaled $392.4 million, compared with $370.9 million for the like period last year, an increase of 5.8 percent. Same store sales for the year have increased 1.2 percent.

Dollar General is a chain of 1,420 neighborhood stores operating in 23 states with distribution centers in Georgia and Kentucky.

CONTACT: Dollar General Corp., Nashville
John E. Pennington, 615/665-9536
Robyn Scalise, 615/665-9102

-30- 1568
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ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Telenetics Corp. (NASDAQ: TNET) and Able Computer announce the signing of a letter of intent to combine the two companies in an exchange of shares.

The proposed transaction is subject to certain conditions being met as well as future financing.

The terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

The combined business would integrate Able Computer's broad range of communications products and sales, largely in local area network (LAN) products, complimenting Telenetics Corp. wide area network (WAN) and modem product lines.

Telenetics Corp., which was founded in 1984 and became a publicly held company in 1987, is a leading supplier of modem technology with products targeted for the unique requirements of high performance oriented RBOC's (Regional Bell Operating Companies) and commercial applications.

The company recently enhanced its product line offering with the addition of a line of wide area network multiplexers.

Able Computer was founded in 1975 and became a major supplier of interfaces for DEC minicomputers. During the past six years the company has introduced a complete line of solution oriented LAN products and various host interfaces to Ethernet.

The company, a privately held California corporation, is based in Irvine, Calif., with manufacturing facilities in Irvine and in Puerto Rico and European operations based in England.

CONTACT: Telenetics Corp., Anaheim
William C. Kosoff, 714/779-2766

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - NYNEX Corporation announced Thursday that its New England Telephone and New York Telephone subsidiaries have entered into a Consent Decree with the Federal Communications Commission resolving allegations of excessive charges to them by NYNEX Materiel Enterprises Company (MECO) for equipment and services from 1984 through 1988.

The FCC said that such charges included MECO profits that exceeded the telephone companies' prescribed interstate rate of return.

As part of the Consent Decree, the FCC will terminate its proceeding against the NYNEX telephone companies without any finding of violation or liability on their part, and without any finding that forfeitures are necessary.

The NYNEX telephone companies will make a one-time $35.5 million reduction in interstate rates and a $1.4 million payment to the U.S. Treasury. As part of the agreement, the telephone companies have already reduced their capital accounts by $32.6 million to remove the alleged excess profits on plant and equipment purchased from MECO.

The Consent Decree resolves issues raised when the FCC released a Notice of Apparent Liability on February 8 that said New England Telephone and New York Telephone booked their purchases of equipment and services from MECO at prices that violated policies requiring telephone companies to book transactions with affiliates at prices reflecting the prescribed interstate rate of return. This, according to the report, resulted in MECO overcharges of $118 million to the telephone companies from 1984 through 1988.

NYNEX denied any wrongdoing, citing that it had complied with the Commission's cost allocation rules when they became effective in 1988 and that the FCC

staff based its findings on an interpretation of a 1977 ruling relating to transactions between Western Electric and AT&T in the former Bell System. NYNEX continues to disagree with the FCC's interpretation.

NYNEX also created an Affiliate Transaction Compliance Office in July. This office ensures the corporation's continuing compliance with all accounting standards, legal precedents and regulatory rules as they apply to transactions among NYNEX affiliates.

CONTACT: NYNEX Corp., White Plains
Peter Goodale, 914/644-7220.

-30- 2476
#90277b0717 10/04/1990 ~Business Wire

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Nycom Information Services Inc. (NASDAQ:NYCM) Thursday announced that it has acquired Communication Technologies Inc. (COMTEC), a privately held information service provider and ''900'' interactive audiotex service provider located in Pearl River, N.Y.

Under the terms, conditions and provisions of the acquisition agreement, COMTEC shareholders will be entitled to receive NYCOM shares based upon the future performance of COMTEC.

COMTEC's primary business is the development, marketing and sale of creative telephone program and information services to industry as well as the general public utilizing audiotex interactive response systems. Such services are designed to provide information or entertainment.

COMTEC will function as a wholly owned subsidiary of Nycom Information Services Inc., and will maintain the responsibility of operating all activities related to interactive voice provision and information services.

''Interactive pay per call, entertainment, information and promotional services represent an attractive growth opportunity for the 1990's ,'' said David Lyons, chairman and chief executive officer of Nycom. ''The acquisition of COMTEC, a company with a creative management team and existing product mix and customer base, will further NYCOM's vertical integration strategy toward higher margin services. We welcome COMTEC into the NYCOM family of companies.'' NYCOM provides long distance, operator and information services nationwide. The company, based upon its leading edge technology and national telecommunications network, offers a broad spectrum of standard and enhanced calling features to meet the needs of the telephone user within the payphone, hotel, motel, hospital, interexchange carrier and business user marketplace.

CONTACT: Nycom Information Services Inc., Stamford
Mort Brozinsky, 203/322-7300

-30- 2100
#90277b0718 10/04/1990 ~Business Wire
DALLAS (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Oryx Energy Co. (NYSE:ORX) Thursday announced the completion of 18 successsful horizontal wells, including three exploration discoveries, in the Pearsall Field during the quarter ending Sept. 30.

The wells tested at a combined rate of 13,100 barrels of oil per day (BOPD) and 7 million cubic feet of gas per day (MMcf/D).

During 1990, Oryx Energy has increased its Pearsall Field average gross daily production by 230 percent -- from 6,600 BOPD in January to the current level of 22,000 BOPD. Associated gross natural gas production increased by about 450 percent over the same period, from 2 MMcf/D to 11 MMcf/D. The company's average income interest in its horizontal wells is 80 percent.

Through September, Oryx Energy has completed 55 gross horizontal wells, including 12 discovery wells, and expects to complete 75 gross wells in the Pearsall Field by year's end.

Based in part on data provided by Oryx Energy, the Texas Railroad Commission (TRC) has made permanent the temporary special rules regulating horizontal drilling in the Pearsall Field.

The TRC rules provide for higher allowables and acreage assignments for horizontal wells. The TRC hearing examiner said it is clear that the field is continuing to be developed with horizontal drainhole wells at a remarkable rate and that the temporary field rules appear to be appropriate in the effective and efficient depletion of the reservoir. The temporary rules were adopted in August 1989, in response to an Oryx Energy petition.

Dallas-based Oryx Energy Co. is the largest independent oil and gas producer in the world, with assets in excess of $5 billion and proved reserves of more than 1 billion equivalent barrels.

Oryx Energy conducts its domestic operations through Sun Energy Partners L.P., of which it is managing general partner and 98-percent owner. Oryx Energy trades on the New York Stock Exchange with the symbol ''ORX'' and the partnership with the symbol ''SLP.''

CONTACT: Oryx Energy Co., Dallas
Tom Sullivan, 214/890-5027 (media) or
John O'Keefe, 214/890-6565 (investors).

-30- 2324
#90277b0723 10/04/1990 ~Business Wire
DALLAS (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - EDS (NYSE:GME) announced Thursday it has

reached an agreement to acquire Appex Corp., a leading provider of information services to the cellular communications industry worldwide.

Terms of the purchase of the privately held company were not disclosed.

Appex, based in Waltham, Mass., was recently named by Business Week magazine as the fastest growing high-tech startup. Since the company was founded in 1986, Appex has achieved an annual growth rate of 155 percent and entered into more than 250 markets.

Appex offers a variety of products and services to the cellular industry for use in customer management and billing, caller authorization, fraud prevention and intercarrier settlement.

Some of Appex's largest U.S. customers include McCaw Cellular Communications, PacTel Cellular, Metro Mobile and many others. The company's international presence includes Canada, Mexico, Hungary, Peru, as well as Western Europe and Asia.

Shikar Ghosh, president and chief executive officer of Appex, said global technical support for the cellular industry is critical to meeting customer business needs.

Appex's primary market is the ''non-wire line'' cellular customer industry where the company has achieved a 90 percent market share. This non-wire line segment represents approximately 50 percent of the total cellular industry and is considered the fastest growing segment by industry experts.

Each year the number of cellular subscribers grows 30 percent nationwide. Currently there are 3.5 million users of cellular telephone services in North America -- a number that is expected to grow to 20 million subscribers by the end of 1995, according to industry experts.

Appex's 180 employees will join EDS and become part of the Communications Industry Division as a wholly owned subsidiary of EDS. The staff will continue to operate out of the Waltham, Mass., office. EDS, based in Dallas and with operations in 27 countries, is the leader in providing information technology services. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

CONTACT: EDS, Dallas
Roger Still, 214/661-6188

-30- 2313

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BENTONVILLE, AK (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - As a result of a cooperative effort between Wal-Mart Stores Inc. (NYSE,PSE:WMT) and the League of Women Voters 56,747 new voters will be able to exercise their right to vote in upcoming

elections.

Registration took place Sept. 21 and 22, the seventh year Wal-Mart was involved with the League of Women voters in voter registration efforts. Voter registration booths were set up in most Wal-Mart stores across the nation.

''Voter registration is a very important part of the community involvement of our company. We are concerned that Americans understand the political issues of our country and have the opportunity to exercise their opinion by becoming an active voter,'' said David Glass, Wal-Mart's president and chief executive officer.

Wal-Mart is a national discount retail chain which opeates 1,485 Wal-Mart stores, 137 SAM'S Clubs, four Wal-Mart's Hypermart USA units and 17 Distribution Centers across its 33-state trade territory.

CONTACT: Wal-Mart Stores Inc., Bentonville
Jane Arend, 501/273-4314.

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BEACHWOOD, OH (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Horizon Financial Services Inc., (NASDAQ/NMS:HFIN) announced Thursday that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of six cents per share on its common stock.

The dividend will be payable on Nov. 8, to the shareholders of record as of Oct. 19. It represents an annualized dividend rate of 24 cents per share.

Horizon Financial Services is the holding company for Horizon Savings and Loan and Horizon Financial Insurance Agency. Horizon provides a variety of investment and lending services through seven offices in the Greater Cleveland area.

CONTACT: Horizon Financial Service, Beachwood
Terry G. Robbins, 216/765-1100 ext. 214

-30- 872
#90277b0760 10/04/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JOSE, CALIF.(OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Nikon Electronic Imaging Gek%qal Manager Douglas Howe Thursday announced the first fully digital, open-architecture connectivity solution running over regular, analog phone lines for the publishing industry, the Nikon Image Management Sy tYm (IMS).

The heart of IMS is Nikon's PictureDesk, the image filing database and control center of the system. Howe demonstrated IMS today at the 1990 Seybold Computer Publishing Conference & Exposition in the San Jose Convention Center.

''This is an industry first,'' Howe said, adding, ''We're making it possible for anyone in the publishing industry, with any network configuration, to capture, transmit, process and archive images in the fastest and most cost-efficient manner avialable -- over regular phone lines.

''IMS is a result of our commitment to provide open, upwardly compatible solutions for truly cost-effective, high-quality global connectivity.'' Howe explained that Nikon's Digital Shorthand, incorporating the first fully JPEG - compatible (Joint Photographic Experts Group) image compression technology, is the key to the high-speed communications available with IMS.

The Nikon Image Management System consists of several compongus that can be used in various combinations with customers' currently installed equipment to support different levels of image production activity: Nikon PictureDesk

The image filing database and nerve center of the photo evaluation production process, PictureDesk runs on the Macintosh and is ''mission control'' for the IMS communications elements and peripherals. PictureDesk permits the most flexible LAN/WAN routing available today. It additionaly allows full access to images outside PictureDesk from foreign operating system files or as needed via the Hierarchical File System (HFS) inherent to the Macintosh operaing system.

PictureDesk is fully integrted with Adobe Photoshop, the popular image editing software, and directly controls the following nion imaging peripherals:
Nikon Compression Coprocessor

Nikon Electronic Imaging is located at 1300 Walt Whitman Road, Melville, N.Y. 11747-3064. Tel: 516/547-4200. Fax: 516/547-0299.

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Helene Cohen, 516/249-2121

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MEMPHIS, TN (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Planters Corp. (NYSE:UPC) announced Thursday that it has re-acquired one million shares of its common stock and reached agreement to re-acquire an additional one million shares.

After the transactions UPC will have 17.1 million shares issued and outstanding. The shares are being re-acquired from Santa Cruz Resources Inc. (SCR) at an average price of $8.58 per share. SCR is a subsidiary of Sierrita Resources Inc. which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Tucson Electric Power Co.

SCR will continue to own 963,000 shares of UPC common stock which will continue to be restricted by the terms of a Subscription Agreement entered into in 1987 at the time SCR initially acquired its shares in UPC.

CONTACT: Union Planters Corp., Memphis
Jack W. Parker, 901/523-6781

-30- 986

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert H. Hilb, president of Hilb, Rogal & Hamilton Co. (NASDAQ: HRHC) announced the acquisition, through merger, of C.P. Brown & Associates Inc. of Memphis, Tenn.

Terms were not disclosed.

C.P. Brown & Associates Inc. is among the largest independent insurance agencies in Memphis. The existing management will continue with Charles P. Brown, Jack S. Henry and Dewayne Phillipy holding the positions of chairman, president, and vice president, respectively.

Hilb stated: ''I am extremely pleased to expand our family of independent agencies into the State of Tennessee and to add the capable employees of C.P. Brown & Associates Inc. to our company.''

According to Charles P. Brown: ''This merger provides our agency with greater resources to serve our clients while allowing local management the autonomy to decide how best to serve our clients in the greater Memphis area.''

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. provides insurance agency services to a wide variety of clients through its network of wholly owned subsidiaries which operate 40 insurance agencies in 16 states and the District of Columbia. The company is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol, HRHC.

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Robert H. Hilb, 804/747-6500

-30- 1503

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VALLEY STREAM, NY (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Nationwide Cellular Service Inc. (NASDAQ: NCEL) Thursday announced that pursuant to a Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and declared effective on Oct. 2, 1,433,088 shares of its common stock owned by certain security holders, have been registered with the SEC pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Nationwide will not receive any proceeds if these security holders sell their shares. Nationwide has been advised by the security holders that the shares of common stock may be sold by them from time to time in the over-the-counter market, on terms and at prices then prevailing or at prices related to the then market price for such shares, or in negotiated transactions.

CONTACT: Nationwide Cellular Service Inc., Valley Stream
Jerome Sanders, 516/568-2000

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COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated Stores Corp. (NYSE:CNS) Thursday reported that for the month ended Sept. 29, retail sales totaled $46.9 million, up 17 percent from $40.1 million a year earlier.

Consolidated Stores also reported that sales for comparable stores open at least two years rose 14.5 percent in September.

Retail sales for the eight months of fiscal 1990 were $389.3 million, up from 15.9 percent from $336.0 million a year earlier. Comparable sales for the seven months were up 10.6 percent.

CONTACT: Consolidated Stores Corp., Columbus
William B. Snow, 614/278-6800

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DREXEL HILL, PA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Tranducer Systems Inc. (TSI) (NASDAQ:TSIC) announced Thursday the results of its annual meeting of shareholders held Sept. 13 in Philadelphia, at which 81 percent of the outstanding stock was represented either by proxy or in person.

The incumbent board of directors consisting of Burton F. Drill, Rhamesh C. Jhaveri, and Dr. Mario Rafalin were re-elected.

An amendment to the by-laws limiting the liability of directors was approved.

The shareholders also approved an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation, increasing the number of authorized shares from 5 million to 7 million, and eliminating the applicability of certain parts of the Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law of 1988 regarding anti-takeover provisions.

All matters put to a vote were approved by at least 98 percent of the shares voted, and by at least 80 percent of all shares entitled to vote.

At a subsequent meeting of the newly elected board of directors, Dr. Mario

Rafalin was elected chairman and chief executive officer; Burton F. Drill was elected president and chief operating officer; Dominic A. Mirenda was elected treasurer; and R. Phillip Wallauer was elected secretary.

For further information, contact: Burton F. Drill, President, Transducer Systems Inc., 4000 Bridge St., Drexel Hill, Pa., 19026; Telephone: 215/284-2500.

CONTACT: Transducer Systems Inc., Drexel Hill
Burton F. Drill, 215/284-2508.

-30- 1637
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PORTLAND, ME (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc. (NASDAQ:PHBK) announced Thursday that the results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 would not be publicly released until near the end of October 1990.

The company stated the two-week delay provides an opportunity to incorporate into the third quarter results some of the preliminary views of federal and state examiners who recently commenced their regular examination of the company's principal banking subsidiary, Peoples Heritage Bank.

William J. Ryan, president and chief executive officer of the company said, ''Although the federal and state examiners may not have completed their respective examinations by the end of October, the value to our shareholders associated with incorporating a significant amount of their work warrants the slight delay.''

Ryan further stated that preliminary results of the third quarter indicate that the unfavorable real estate market and a weakening economy in general continue to adversely affect the company. ''At the end of the third quarter we will announce an increase in our non-performing loans, loan writedowns and a corresponding increase in our reserves for loan losses.

The combination of these events, he stated, ''will result in a significant third quarter loss and a management recommendation to suspend the payment of the company's regular quarterly dividend until economic conditions improve.'' At June 30, 1990, the company's stockholder equity amounted to $225.5 million or 7.8 percent of total assets.

Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc. is the largest Maine-based bank holding company with assets of $2.9 million as of June 30, 1990. The holding company holds three direct subsidiaries: Peoples Heritage Bank, which operates over 50 banking centers located throughout Maine and its principal subsidiaries, Heritage Investment Planning Group Inc. and Northeast Leasing Co.; Oxford Bank and Trust, which operates five offices located in western Maine; and First

Coastal Banks Inc., a New Hampshire bank holding company which is comprised of the First National Bank of Portsmouth and Merchants National Bank, Dover, which operate 11 offices in the Portsmouth/Dover area.

For further information contact: Peter J. Verrill, executive vice president and chief financial officer, Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc., (207) 761-8507.

CONTACT: Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc., Portland
E.J. Silke, 207/761-8517
or 207/761-8500, ext.8434

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - At Thursday's annual shareholders' meeting of MONY Real Estate Investors (MONYREI), Norcross Teel Jr., chairman and president, reported that, while there was considerable on-going sales activity it was unlikely that the sale of all the Trust's assets would be completed by December.

Consequently, plans are being made to set up a Liquidating Trust which would complete the sales program.

CONTACT: MONY, New York; Debra Kloper, 212/708-2308

-30- 659
#90277b0790 10/04/1990 ~Business Wire
FAIRFIELD, NJ (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Measurement Specialties Inc. announced Thursday that a two member committee of the National Association of Securities Dealers Inc. voted to delist the company's common stock from trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 2 as a result of the company's failure to timely file its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31 and its quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended June 30.

The company is in the process of appealing the foregoing decision to the board of governors of the NASD. However, the company noted that an appeal does not operate to stay the deletion of its common stock. In the event the company's appeal is denied, the company would be required to meet the NASD's initial inclusion criteria for listing on the NASDAQ system which presently requires assets of $2 million and shareholders' equity of $1 million. Presently the company does not meet such criteria.

CONTACT: Measurement Specialties Inc., Fairfield
Donald Weiss, 201/808-1819

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#90277b0798 10/04/1990 ~Business Wire
CLEVELAND (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameritrust Corp. announced that Terry D. Taylor has been appointed vice president of corporate relations in a restructuring and consolidation of the bank holding company's communications and external affairs functions.

According to Craig R. Smith, chairman and chief executive officer, Ameritrust is bringing together corporate communications units into one division under Taylor's direction to better address its communications needs with consistency and cost efficiency. These functions include investor relations, media relations, corporate contributions, community relations and government affairs.

Taylor, 39, has been responsible for investor relations since 1984. He joined Ameritrust in 1974 after graduating from the University of North Carolina as a Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. in economics. He received a master's degree in economics from Case Western Reserve University in 1980. Taylor lives in Westlake with his wife and three children.

CONTACT: Ameritrust Corp., Cleveland
Terry Taylor, 216/737-5414

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#90277b0799 10/04/1990 ~Business Wire
SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Westpac Banking Corp. (NYSE:WBK) Thursday welcomed the Australian Federal Treasurer's plans to establish a Parlimentary Inquiry into the Australian banking system.

Westpac's Managing Director Stuart Fowler said the Inquiry would lay to rest many of the misconceptions about banks as well as the destabilizing rumors about the Australian financial system which are affecting the interests of all Australians.

The inquiry would be provided an opportunity for the concerns of the community to be considered, Fowler said. The inquiry would also clarify the roles played by the banks' customers, their shareholders, the banks themselves and the various governments.

Fowler said that he hoped the Inquiry could be underway as soon as possible so that we can all focus on rebuilding Australia.

Westpac Banking Corp. is an international financial services group headquartered in Australia with operations extending offshore to 29 countries. In its home markets of Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, and the South West Pacific, Westpac offers a full range of banking and financial services. Specialized services are provided through the Westpac offices in Asia, Europe, and the United States.

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Elaine Svensson, 212/551-2775
Tony Benner, 011-61-2-226-3510 (in Australia)

-30- 1562

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Lazare Kaplan International Inc. announced Thursday that the Securities and Exchange Commission has declared effective its Registration Statement relating to the sale of 400,000 shares of its common stock at a price of $13 per share.

The offering is being underwritten by Wertheim Schroder & Co. Inc. The proceeds of the offering, which is expected to close on October 12, will be used to reduce the company's short-term bank indebtedness.

Lazare Kaplan International Inc. (AMEX:LKI) sells its diamonds and jewelry products through a worldwide distribution network. The company is noted for its ideal cut diamonds which it markets internationally under the brand name, The Lazare Diamond.

CONTACT: Lazare Kaplan International Inc., New York
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or
Madeline de Vries Ltd., New York
Jan Still-Lindeman, 212/891-0487

-30- 1105

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NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Freeport-McMoRan Copper Co. Inc. (NYSE:FCX), Thursday declared a cash dividend for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of 55 cents per share on its Class A and Class B common stock payable Nov. 1, 1990, to all common shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 15, 1990.

The amount of the dividend significantly exceeds the minimum cumulative quarterly dividend on the Class A common stock through the five-year period ending May 1, 1993, which is currently 10-1/4 cents per share.

The dividend amount reflects the continued excellent operating and financial performance of the company's Indonesian copper/gold operations, despite increased interest expense attributable to placing into operation certain facilities to accommodate production from the Grasberg copper/gold ore body. Prior to 1990, all interest costs associated with the Grasberg project had been capitalized.

Future quarterly cash dividends will continue to be based on actual operating and financial results and capital requirements. The amount of this dividend may not be indicative of future cash dividends.

FCX is a subsidiary of Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (NYSE:FTX) and is engaged in the exploration, mining, and milling of copper, gold, and silver in Irian Jaya, Indonesia.

CONTACT: Freeport McMoRan Copper Co. Inc., New Orleans
Joseph H. Tice, 504/582-4458
Craig E. Saporito, 504/582-4476

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VANCOUVER, B.C. (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Bethlehem Resources Corp. (TSE/VSE:BTH) (NASDAQ:BTHMF) announced that an agreement has been signed with Goldnev Resources Inc. for the exploration, on a joint venture basis, of several exploration prospects in the vicinity of the Goldstream Mine.

As the operator of this project, Goldnev proposes to carry out up to $1 million in exploration expenditures during 1990. To date the parties have contributed equally to a total expenditure of $250,700. Goldnev intends to contribute all expenditures to a maximum of $749,300 for the rest of the program which will include follow-up diamond drilling of geochemical and geophysical targets.

By March 31, 1991, Bethlehem must provide notice to Goldnev whether it intends to maintain its 50 percent interest in the claims by matching expenditures made by Goldnev in excess of the $250,700 already contributed by both parties, or by paying 50 percent of such expenditures to Goldnev in cash or shares or a combination of both.

Bethlehem, operator of the Goldstream Mine, is continuing negotiations with several sources for production financing.

CONTACT: Bethlehem Resources Corp., Vancouver
Henry G. Ewanchuk or Patrick M. McAndless, 604/687-7444.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Management of America Inc. (NASDAQ:MMOA) announced Thursday that it will omit its regular quarterly dividend of 6-3/4 cents per share of common stock which would have ordinarily been declared this October.

Given the company's current cash flow needs and its anticipated use of funds

in the immediate future, the company believes that it would be inconsistent with such plans to pay a dividend at this time. The company has made no decision with respect to the payment of dividends in the future.

The company reiterated that it had achieved earnings of 21 cents per share in the quarter ended July 31, and 42 cents per share for the nine months ending July 31.

These earning figuers reflect the company's 1:3 reverse stock split effective September 11. The company continues to believe its earnings will remain strong through the end of the current fiscal year.

Based in Chicago, MMA owns and operates ambulatory surgical centers and manages medical centers specializing in comprehensive eye care and surgery. The company's current managed medical facilities are located in Illinois, Indiana, Florida and southern California.

CONTACT: Medical Management of America Inc., Chicago
Annita Jilek, 312/889-9900.

-30- 1455
#90277b0843 10/04/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN FRANSISCO (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Phoenix Laser Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:PXLS) Thursday announced that they have adopted a voluntary conversion plan for the holders of Phoenix Preferred Stock (NASDAQ:PXLSP).

The conversion offer calls for each share of Phoenix Preferred Stock to be converted into 4.25 shares of the company's common stock plus a warrant permitting the holder to purchase a share of Phoenix common stock at $1.50 per share.

On Oct. 2, the company's preferred stock closed at $8.13 bid/$8.50 asked; the common stock closed at $1.94 bid/$2.06 asked; and the warrant at $1.00 bid/$1.22 asked. The offer will expire on Friday, Oct. 26 at 5 p.m., Pacific Time.

The company is making the offer in a move to end arbitrage between the preferred and common stock. Following an analysis of market patterns for the past four months, the company believes that this arbitrage is maintaining an artificial downward pressure on the market prices of the company's common stock. In the conversion, the company seeks to eliminate the potential for arbitrage profit and remove the negative pressure on the stock price.

Currently there are 357,205 shares of Phoenix Preferred Stock outstanding; 8,414,963 shares of Phoenix Common Stock outstanding; and 1,718,950 Phoenix warrants outstanding.

Phoenix Laser Systems Inc. is a developer of integrated laser workstations primarily for use by the medical community. The company's initial efforts have focussed on the design, development and testing of its first product, the Phoenix Ophthalmic Surgical Workstation. The Ophthalmic Surgical Workstation is a self-contained proprietary workstation that combines on-line diagnostic measurement advanced laser beam positioning, high speed tissue tracking, and therapeutic devices for the precise control of laser surgery.

The company's technology permits surgery at cellular levels, without creating significant thermal damage to surrounding cells. Phoenix recently completed initial human clinical testing of its technology.

CONTACT: Martin E. Janis & Co. Inc., Chicago
Beverly Jedynak, 312/943-1100

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#90277b0852 10/04/1990 ~Business Wire

LAGUNA HILLS, CA. (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - William & Clarissa Inc. (NASDAQ:WMCL) Thursday announced the engagement of The First Boston Corp. as its financial advisor to explore strategic alternatives to maximize shareholder value, including an investment by a corporate partner or private placement to institutional investors.

Commenting on this association, Mary George, president and chief executive officer of William & Clarissa, stated, ''First Boston will assist the company in obtaining additional capital funding which is needed within the next few months, primarily for advertising and product promotion, in order to maintain and build upon the national distribution which we have established for our Kids William & Clarissa products.

''We are plaesed with the engagement of First Boston and expect this to be a major step toward the future development and growth of the Kids William & Clarissa line.''

The Kids William & Clarissa line consists of sixteen personal care products formulated especially for children, including tear-free shampoo, lotion, liquid soap, cornstarch powder, bubble bath, sun block, lip balm and cologne. All products are hypoallergenic, dermatologically tested, contain no animal ingredients, and are not tested on animals. The company is marketing this line to drug stores, mass merchandisers and supermarkets nationwide in over 16,000 stores.

CONTACT: William & Clarissa Inc., Laguna Hills
Mary J. George, 714/770-4001
or
Strategic Growth International, New York

Richard Cooper, 212/826-9622

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#90277b0855 10/04/1990 ~Business Wire

DALLAS (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Just over a year ago, the Law Enforcement Television Network (LETN) became the first satellite television network to broadcast news, training and information programs 24-hours-a-day to police departments and the law enforcement community.

Today, LETN serves more than 2,000 law enforcement agencies and is endorsed by prominent law enforcement organizations. The innovative network also has been installed in the offices of Richard Thornburgh, U.S. attorney general, and William Bennett, director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

''LETN has far exceeded many expectations in its first year on the air,'' said Billy Prince, president of LETN and 24-year law enforcement veteran. ''We are delighted with the support we have received in our efforts to provide law enforcement professionals with the training they need to combat today's criminals.''

The following are among LETN's achievements in the past year:

- LETN established a formal relationship with the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP). The LETN-IACP alliance continues to grow and strengthen, with LETN broadcasting IACP training bulletins, legislative updates and model policies.

LETN also broadcasts information on upcoming IACP events and news about members. Many IACP training instructors assist with LETN programming and LETN transmits programming from the annual IACP conference.

''The IACP is recognized as the leading authority for law enforcement professionalism worldwide,'' said Prince. ''IACP's relationship with LETN adds immeasurably to our credibility as a training resource.''

- On the federal front, LETN finalized an agreement with the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC), one of the primary training centers for federal law enforcement employees. LETN will broadcast 40 hours of instruction each year provided by FLETC.

- LETN began producing the ''Drug Crackdown'' program, which is taught by Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) agents in cooperation with state and municipal law enforcement agencies.

''Drugs are recognized as our nation's most devastating problem,'' said Neal Trautman, LETN director of training. ''For the first time in the history of American law enforcement, the officers battling in the street drug war are

being furnished with the world's best drug enforcement training, news and information constantly through LETN.''

- The Southern Police Institute, a division of the University of Louisville began working with LETN to offer continuing education credits and certifications based on training received from the network. The arrangement allows officers to take exams based on particular programs, receive test results and have these results become part of their permanent record.

LETN broadcasts its unique programming five days a week via a scrambled signal that is received by a satellite dish installed at the location of each subscriber. Subscribers pay a monthly fee of $288 to $588, depending on the size of the police department or agency. For their monthly fee, subscribers receive training programs and updates on drugs, officer survival, weapons and scientific techniques to use in fighting crime in their communities.

LETN also offers up-to-the-minute newscasts covering the latest developments in the law enforcement profession.

LETN is operated by Westcott Communications, the nation's largest business television firm. In addition to LETN, the company operates the Automotive Satellite Television Network (ASTN), which broadcasts training, news and information programming to more than 5,000 car dealerships in North America.

Westcott Communications also provides customized satellite television services to Fortune 1000 companies through its Business Television Services Division. The company recently announced the 1991 launch of the Professional Security Television Network (PSTN), which will broadcast to professional security managers, specialists and officers. Westcott Communications (NASDAQ:WCTV) is headquartered in Dallas.

CONTACT: Hill and Knowlton, Atlanta
Alan Ulman or Mary Ann DeMuth, 404/688-7820

-30- 4412

#90277b0874 10/04/1990 ~Business Wire

CHICAGO (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - As disclosed in an interview with a major wire service Thursday, Wells-Gardner Electronics Corporation reported preliminary earnings for its third quarter ended September 30, 1990, should be substantially higher than its previous breakeven estimate on much higher volume.

Frank J. Myers, Wells-Gardner's chairman and president, stated, ''Review of our just completed third quarter shows that sales more than doubled to $11.8 million from the prior year's third quarter sales of $5.7 million. Our preliminary estimate indicates net income will fall somewhere between $410,000 and $525,000 or, on a per share basis, between 11 to 14 cents. In last year's

quarter we lost $881,000, or 23 cents a share. Of that, the loss from continuing operations amounted to 679,000, or 18 cents a share.

''In our earlier forecast, we anticipated more softening in the market durin the quarter. Instead, the momentum of the first half of the year continued. We continued to strengthen our customer base and exports plus we saw demand remain at reasonable levels for large screen monitors which resulted in a positive earnings swing in excess of $1 million. All this was accomplished despite the fact that the large television assembly contract we've announced has not contributed to the extent we expected,'' Myers continued. ''It has added 13 percent of the third quarter's sales gain and 26 percent of the nine months' increase.

''For the nine months, that would put us on a preliminary basis at about $35.8 million in revenue and 35 to 38 cents in net earnings with 25 to 27 cents from continuing operations and 10 or 11 cents from tax credits,'' he added. ''Net sales for all of 1989 were $33.2 million.

''Improved third quarter results were due to the increased sales, improved product mix and material cost reductions. Export sales have strengthened, particularly in the U.K. and Mexico, and, through a major U.S. customer, we are initiating a pilot program in Germany during the fourth quarter. We have broadened our customer base. We now have 10 customers in the million dollar sales category and our top three customers account for less than 30 percent of sales,'' he said.

''Our outlook for the fourth quarter is positive, although we are beginning to see further signs of softness in certain market segments. We expect to better our fourth quarter 1989 results when we had sales of $8.6 million with an $88,000 loss on continuing operations.'' he concluded.

The company also announced that it has entered into a Letter of Intent with James Electronics, Chicago, to sell its previously discontinued power supply business, effective October 1, 1990.

Wells-Gardner Electronics Corporation designs and manufactures electronic products which are marketed both domestically and internationally. Its major products are video monitors for the data display and gaming industries.

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or
The Investor Relations Company, Chicago
Gale Strenger/Woody Wallace, 708/564-5610
Bruce Marcus (New York), 212/599-2820
Largent Parks (Dallas), 214/387-4520
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Tim King (Los Angeles), 213/541-4415

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#90277c0002 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:21 that trade in Millfeld Trading Co. Inc.(NASDAQ: SHOE) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 12. The company is located in Woodbury, NY.

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#90277c0003 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:31 that trade in Selvac Corp.(NASDAQ: SLVC) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 9/16, 19/32. The company is located in Marlboro, MA.

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#90277c0004 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 2:

International Cablecasting Technologies Inc. (TUNE)
London International Group PLC Sponsored ADR (LONDY)

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#90277c0005 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 2:

FCS Laboratories Inc. (FCSIC); Capital & surplus below minimum
Measurement Specialties Inc. (MMSSE); Not current in required filings
Robeson Industries Corp. (RBSNE); Not current in required filings

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#90277c0006 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 3:

Orbis Inc. (ORBS) to (ORBSC)
Q-Med Inc. (QEKG) to (QEKGC)

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#90277c0007 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 2:

International Cablecasting Technologies Inc. (TUNE)
London International Group PLC Sponsored ADR (LONDY)

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#90277c0011 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:58 that trade in Adtec Inc. (NASDAQ: JAIL) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/4; up 1/8 point from the halt, and unchanged from the previous close.

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#90277c0012 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Nasta International has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol NAS. Trading was resumed at 10:10.

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#90277c0013 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Conservative Savings Corp.(TICKER: CONS) lost $577,216, or $0.89 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $757,869, or $1.16 per share, for fiscal 1989.

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#90277c0014 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows O'Charley's Inc.(TICKER: CHUX) on Sept. 26 announced its board of directors authorized the open-market purchases of up to 500,000 shares of company common stock.

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#90277c0015 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Teletimer International Inc.9TICKER: TLTM) received notice Sept. 4, 1990, of a default regarding a loan agreement with Bell Atlantic Tricon Leasing.

Teletimer now reports it has resolved the major problem with the agreement.

Teletimer states it was able to satisfy a major condition of the loan agreement without restructuring the loan, by utilization of Teletimer's present cash flow.

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#90277c0016 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Citizens Utilities Co.(TICKER: CITU) and Louisiana General Services Inc. (LGS) have announced their agreement to amend their plan of merger dated May 18, 1990.

The amendment provides that each common share of LGS and associated rights will be converted into the fraction of a share of Citizens common stock, Series B.

This will be determined by dividing $19 by the average per share price of shares of Citizens common stock, Series B, during the 20 consecutive trading days ending on the third trading day prior to the merger.

This is contingent on the provision that the fraction not exceed $0.8 or be less than $0.6719.

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#90277c0017 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Parker Automotive Corp.(TICKER: PKRA), at its annual meeting of shareholders Aug. 7, 1990, elected the following directors to serve for the year: Michael E. Parker chairman; Douglas K. Baker; Ronald L. Cedillos; Sir Eldon Griffiths; Russell C. Leonard; and Timothy L. Strader.

The board approved two proposals to allow the company to elect from five to 15 directors at any time, and to allow for future amendments to the bylaws.

The firm of Ernst & Young was approved as the company's auditors.

In other news, the company announces a civil lawsuit was filed against Michael E. Parker by Columbia Savings and Loan of Beverly Hills, for breach of contract.

The suit states that former managers of the institution unrightfully received funds from transactions sold by a separate leasing company owned by Parker.

Parker Automotive is not a party to the lawsuit, and was not alleged to have been involved in any transactions described in the suit.

Management has made contingency plans in regard to the effect the case may have upon the company's operations, in order to provide a separation between company activities and prior business activities of Parker.

Additionally, Parker denies all allegations made in a complaint filed Sept. 13 1990, for patent infringement and violation of racketeering laws, by Maurice

Carmichael and Janis Binatena, with whom Parker is already in litigation.

-30- 1653

#90277c0019 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows PharmaKinetics Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: PKLB) lost $3.77 million, or $0.40 per share, on revenues of $27.13 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $2.78 million, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $26.76 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 516

#90277c0020 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:02 that trade in Pharmakinetics Labs Inc.(NASDAQ: PKLB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1/2. The company is located in Baltimore, MD.

-30- 349

#90277c0021 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 20, 1900, Clinton Ober, president and chairman of the board of Chartwell Capital Corp., purchased 218.18 million shares of company common stock from Bryan L. McDougal, a company director, vice president and secretary/treasurer.

The purchase price of the stock was $108,000.

Ober previously owned 348.24 million restricted shares of Chartwell Capital common stock (33%).

He now beneficially owns a total of 566.42 restricted shares of Chartwell common stock.

The number of outstanding shares of Chartwell presently is 1.06 billion.

McDougal no longer has any beneficial ownership of Chartwell Capital.

-30- 853

#90277c0022 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows First Interstate of Iowa (TICKER: FIIA) announced it will charge off $2.1 million in loans in the third quarter of 1990.

Additionally, the company will report increases in nonperforming loans of $7.2

million and other real estate owned of $2.7 million.

-30- 493

#90277c0023 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Convoy Capital (TICKER: CNVC) reported Sept. 27, 1990 that Neal MacGregor has resigned as an officer and director of the company.

Earl Kruger, notary public, and Morton Piasetski, a barrister and solicitor, both of Montreal, have been appointed to the board.

-30- 485

#90277c0024 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that pursuant to an agreement dated April 2, 1990, and subsequently extended by agreement dated June 26, 1990, American Capital and Research Corp. ("ACR") (TICKER: ACRC) acquired an option to purchase Houtex Seismic Inc., and its wholly-owned subsidiaries Professional Geophysics Inc. and Seis Pros Services Inc. from its shareholders.

On Sept. 14, 1990, American Capital exercised this option.

It purchased 582,820 shares of Houtex from the Houtex shareholders, representing 96.38 percent of the outstanding shares of capital stock of Houtex.

The company paid each tendering shareholder his/her pro rata share of the $1,000 purchase price.

The purchase price will be increased by an amount equal to 40 percent of any after-tax profits of Houtex for the years 1990 through 1994 inclusive, less any tax liabilities of Houtex prior to the acquisition and by an amount up to $30,000, based on Houtex's ability to reduce or restructure certain pre-acquisition debt.

Houtex is a geophysical company that collects, processes and sells seismic data used by oil and gas exploration companies.

ACR reports it intends to continue this business.

-30- 1410

#90277c0025 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Big O Tires Inc.(TICKER: BIGO) approved the firm of Deloitte & Touche to serve as the company's independent accountants for the year ending Dec. 31, 1990.

On that same date, the company dismissed its formed accountants, Coopers & Lybrand.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 655

#90277c0027 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows First Bancorporation of Ohio (TICKER: FBOH) registered its 1982 Incentive Stock Option Plan.

-30- 308

#90277c0028 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:59 that trade in Millfeld Trading Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: SHOE) has been resumed. The first sale was 11 7/8; down 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 362

#90277c0029 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:48 that trade in Stratford American Corp.(NASDAQ: STRC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3/32. The company is located in Phoenix, AZ.

-30- 348

#90277c0030 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Pacer Technology (TICKER: PTCH) earned $200,458 (including an extraordinary gain of $70,000), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $8.63 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $300,265 (including an extraordinary gain of $116,000), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $8.23 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 563

#90277c0031 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Assix International Inc.(TICKER: ASIX) on Sept. 27, 1990, accepted the resignation of Kerry Marler for personal reasons.

-30- 359
#90277c0032 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Pop Radio (TICKER: POPX) announced on Sept. 28, 1990, that Heritage Media Corp. (TICKER: HTG) purchased an aggregate 446,041 shares of POP common stock in privately negotiated transactions.

Of these shares, 426,041 were purchased at $18.50 per share, and the remaining shares were purchased at $12 per share.

POP states it was informed by Heritage that purchases were funded through borrowings under its credit agreement dated Aug. 7, 1990.

It states Heritage now owns 2.65 million shares of POP common stock, or approximately 72.5% of the outstanding shares.

-30- 802
#90277c0033 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 6 1990, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Kansas, Topeka Division, entered an order approving an amendment to the amended, extended and restated credit and security agreement dated Aug. 31, 1990 among Doskocil(TICKER: DOSK) Wilson Foods and Chemical Bank.

The amendment provides the additional facility, as defined in a revolving credit and security agreement dated March 5, 1990, and restated April 19, 1990 was increased by $5 million.

-30- 689
#90277c0035 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Hamilton Digital Controls Inc.(TICKER: HDIG) on Sept. 27, 1990 elected the following directors for the coming year: Edward C. Zacaroli, who will serve as chairman of the board and secretary; Dr. Eugene J. Hickey; Harold A. Julian; Charles A. Gaetano; Robert I. Trachtenberg, who is president and chief executive officer; and Ralph M. Risley, who is vice president of finance, treasurer and assistant secretary.

The company also selected as its independent auditor the firm of Deloitte & Touche.

-30- 768
#90277c0036 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Keene Corp. (TICKER: KEEN) named KPMG Peat Marwick as its new certifying accountant.

The company dismissed its former accountants, Arthur Andersen & Co.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 586

#90277c0037 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Control Resource Industries Inc.(TICKER: CRIX) announced Sept. 27, 1990, that R. Steven Lutterbach, the former chairman of the company, resigned as a member of the board of directors to pursue other personal business interests.

-30- 456

#90277c0038 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Tons of Toys Inc.(TICKER: TONS) emerged from bankruptcy Aug. 10, 1990, and merged with T.H.E. Corp., the parent company of Merchants West, Inc.

Tons of Toys has elected to adopt as its fiscal year end the last Saturday in December, to coincide with the reporting requirements of T.H.E.

-30- 526

#90277c0039 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Ito-Yokado (TICKER: IYCO) reports extension of the tender offer period during which the outstanding junk bonds of the Southland Corp.(TICKER: SLCP) should be exchanged for the newly issued debentures of Southland.

The offer period was extended to Sept. 25, 1990, and the stock purchase agreement between Southland and Ito also expired on that date.

-30- 580

#90277c0040 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows First Federal Financial Corp. earned $3.09 million, or $2.91 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with total earnings of $2.85 million, or $2.70 per share, for fiscal 1989.

-30- 437

#90277c0041 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Topps Co. Inc.(TICKER: TOPP) earned $14.23 million, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $71.19 million for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $10.03 million, or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $55.95 million for the 13 weeks ended Aug. 26, 1989.

-30- 502
#90277c0043 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 5,412,400 SHARES (12.02%) OF THE UNITED STATES SHOE CORP (TICKER: USR) OF CINCINNATI, OH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 27 to Sept. 21, 1990, FMR Corp. sold 1,055,100 shares for $10.16 to $17.88 per share and purchased 623,500 shares for $12.92 to $17.93 per share.

-30- 500
#90277c0044 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 269,021 SHARES (6.87%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 14-21, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 4,898 shares for $6.11 to $6.70 per share.

-30- 404
#90277c0045 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 407,500 SHARES (7.75%) OF KASLER CORP (TICKER:

KASL) OF HIGHLAND, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 11-24, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 72,500 shares for $11.56 to $12 per share.

-30- 393
#90277c0046 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 407,500 SHARES (7.75%) OF KASLER CORP (TICKER: KASL) OF HIGHLAND, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 360
#90277c0047 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 28, 1990, Mr. Greene was elected by the board of VSB Bancorp Inc. (TICKER: VSBC) to be CEO and Chairman of the board effective Oct. 1, 1990.

-30- 364
#90277c0048 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

P.B. BEDFORD OWNS 1,070,020 SHARES (16.16%) OF AMREP CORP (TICKER: AXR) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 26, 1990, Mohan Vachani, vice president and CFO of Bedford Properties Inc, a company owned by P.B. Bedford, was elected to the board of Amrep Corp.

-30- 457
#90277c0049 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

J.H. HARLAND CO OF DECATUR, GA OWNS 1,279,736 SHARES (51.00%) OF COURIER DISPATCH GROUP (TICKER: CDGI) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 2, 1990, Harland and certain stockholders of Courier Dispatch Group entered into a stock purchase agreement pursuant to which Harland will purchase 675,986 shares for $2,703,944. Harland expects a representative to be elected to Courier Dispatch Group's board at the annual meeting to be held in November 1990.

PURPOSE:

To acquire a majority interest to protect his interest in Courier Dispatch Group and to pursue the possibility of a merger or other business combination with Courier Dispatch Group.

-30- 875
#90277c0051 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:10 that trade in Stratford American Corp.(NASDAQ: STRC) has been resumed. The first sale was 1/8; up 1/32 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 357
#90277c0052 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G. GENTRY OF 2094 CAMINITO CAPA, LA JOLLA, CA 92037, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,774 SHARES OF VITALMETRICS INC (TICKER: VTLM) THROUGH JACK WHITE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 1, 1990.

(VITALMETRICS INC TEL: 619 442-9836)

-30- 399
#90277c0053 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.L. ZUCKERMAN OF 5801 25 1/2 STREET, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416, HAS FILED

TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. THROUGH SUMMIT INVESTMENT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 2, 1990.

(TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. TEL: 612 545-1000)

-30- 416
#90277c0054 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KB BERKELEY JAPAN DEV CAP LTD OF 1080 MARINA VILLAGE PKWY, 0, ALAMEDA, CA 94501, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF INGRES CORP. (TICKER: RELY) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(INGRES CORP. TEL: 415 769-1400)

-30- 434
#90277c0055 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOLD SPATH & MCKELVIE PPS TRUST OF 560 KIRTS BLVD STE 113, TROY, MI 48084, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,375 SHARES OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI) THROUGH OLDE DISCOUNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. TEL: 313 362-4220)

-30- 486
#90277c0056 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EFFIE HART KAMON OF 1304 AVE L, P O BOX 1629, CISCO, TX 76437, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN (TICKER: GTRO) THROUGH T L SMITH SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN TEL: 817 442-2665)

-30- 460
#90277c0057 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EFFIE HART KAMON OF 1304 AVE L, P O BOX 1629, CISCO, TX 76437, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN (TICKER: GTRO) THROUGH T L SMITH SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN TEL: 817 442-2665)

-30- 460
#90277c0059 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EFFIE HART KAMON OF 1304 AVE L, P O BOX 1629, CISCO, TX 76437, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN (TICKER: GTRO) THROUGH T L SMITH SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN TEL: 817 442-2665)

-30- 460
#90277c0060 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAURA R DIAMOND OF 3725 KINGS WAY, BOCA RATON, FL 33434, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF POLYMERIX INC. (TICKER: PLXX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(POLYMERIX INC. TEL: 201 633-7600)

-30- 403
#90277c0061 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR C HOFFMAN OF RR #5, LAKE FREMONT, FREMONT, NE 68025, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED POLYMER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: APOS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(ADVANCED POLYMER SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 366-2626)

-30- 453
#90277c0062 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANCIS E ODONNELL JR OF 3663 LINDELL BLVD, ST LOUIS, MO 63108, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF EYE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: EYTK) THROUGH KASHNER DAVIDSON SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(EYE TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 800 328-9060)

-30- 430
#90277c0063 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN GERALD BREEN OF 2727 CRANLYN RD, SHAKER HTS, OH 44122, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,044 SHARES OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. TEL: 216 566-2000)

-30- 416
#90277c0064 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KEITH A LOWERY OF 1316 ELK GROVE, RICHARDSON, TX 75081, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF MICROGRAFX INC. (TICKER: MGXI) THROUGH SOUTHWEST SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(MICROGRAFX INC. TEL: 214 234-1769)

-30- 401
#90277c0065 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:15 that trade in People's Heritage Financial Group Inc.(NASDAQ: PHBK) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 3/8; down 3/4 point from the halt, and down 1 point from the previous close.

-30- 402
#90277c0067 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Griffin Technology Inc.(TICKER: GRIF) earned $660,200, or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $14.05 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $757,500, or $0.34 per share, on revenues of $13.07 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 470
#90277c0068 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows General Kinetics Inc.(TICKER: GKIE) earned $898,000, or $1.03 per share, on revenues of $18.33 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.48 million, or $1.80 per share, on revenues of $11.18 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 465
#90277c0069 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Policy Management Systems Corp.(TICKER: PMS) earned $9.08 million, or $0.47 per share on revenues of $85.24 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $5.90 million, or $0.39 per share, on revenues of $65.04 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 522
#90277c0070 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Aspen Exploration Corp.(TICKER: ASPN) earned $67,928, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $787,643 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.59 million, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $713,927 in fiscal 1989.

-30- 465
#90277c0071 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Cascade International Inc.(TICKER: KOSM) earned $7.75 million, or $0.43 per share, on revenues of $52.44 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $4.72 million, or $0.32 per share, on revenues of $25.71 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 502
#90277c0072 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Future Medical Products Inc.(TICKER: FMPI) lost $797,720, or $0.08 per share, on no revenues for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $538,919, or $0.06 per share, on no revenues in fiscal 1989.

Future Medical is a development stage firm which is seeking to market and sell a new prouct which employs the principles of electrical stimulation as a form of treatment for heroin detoxification.

The company's executive office is located at 300 Rabro Drive, Hauppauge, NY 11788 and its telephone number is (516) 348-0500.

-30- 776
#90277c0073 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Pop Radio Corp.(TICKER: POPX) earned $1.33 million, or $0.33 per share, on revenues of $24.04 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.18 million, or $0.44 per share, on revenues of $17.50 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 482
#90277c0075 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 7,750 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90277c0076 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90277c0077 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90277c0078 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90277c0079 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 15, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING

INC. BOUGHT 8,143 SHARES AT $1.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90277c0080 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 6,650 SHARES AT $1.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90277c0081 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,236,405.

-30- 326
#90277c0083 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, L. SCHUSTER, DIR. OF OLD SECOND BANCORP BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 298
#90277c0084 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, E.F. MYERS, PRES. OF EXTEN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: EXVTF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 237,204.

-30- 314
#90277c0085 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, M.W. RILEY, VP OF METRO MOBILE COURTS INC. (TICKER: MMZ), BOUGHT 500 CLASS A SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90277c0086 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, M.W. RILEY, VP OF METRO MOBILE COURTS INC. (TICKER: MMZ), BOUGHT 600 CLASS A SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 317
#90277c0087 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, M.W. RILEY, VP OF METRO MOBILE COURTS INC. (TICKER: MMZ), BOUGHT 200 CLASS A SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 317
#90277c0088 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, J.E. MCDAVID, DIR. OF NATIONAL BANC OF COMMERCE CO. (TICKER: NBCC), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 165,596.

-30- 333
#90277c0089 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, G.E. THAYER, PRES. OF PRESIDIO OIL CO. (TICKER: PRS), BOUGHT 2,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,357.

-30- 317
#90277c0091 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, I. SCHNEIDER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF INVESTMENT PROPERTY ASSOC. BOUGHT 334 SHARES AT $82.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90277c0092 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 19, 1990, I. SCHNEIDER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF INVESTMENT PROPERTY ASSOC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $82.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,538.

-30- 342
#90277c0093 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DAVID A JONES, DIR. OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES (TICKER: ABT), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,093.

-30- 313
#90277c0094 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, TANSUKH V GANATRA, DIR. OF ACC CORP. (TICKER: ACCC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90277c0095 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, TANSUKH V GANATRA, DIR. OF ACC CORP. (TICKER: ACCC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90277c0096 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, L THOMAS MORSE, OFFICER OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN), SOLD 2,600 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,098.

-30- 304
#90277c0097 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, HERBERT KELLERT CUMMINGS, DIR. OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90277c0099 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, HERBERT KELLERT CUMMINGS, DIR. OF AAR CORP. (TICKER:

AIR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90277c0100 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, HERBERT KELLERT CUMMINGS, DIR. OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR), BOUGHT 7,100 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90277c0101 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, HERBERT KELLERT CUMMINGS, DIR. OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,800.

-30- 308
#90277c0102 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, RICHARD J PEARSON, DIR. OF AM INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: AM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,100.

-30- 314
#90277c0103 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, HERBERT A WERTHEIM, BEN. OWNER OF BANKATLANTIC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BFC), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90277c0104 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HERBERT A WERTHEIM, BEN. OWNER OF BANKATLANTIC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BFC), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 253,500.

-30- 349
#90277c0105 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, ROGER M JONES, DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 435 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,035.

-30- 320
#90277c0107 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, RICHARD S WEST, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 240 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 325
#90277c0108 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BARRY STEINHART, VP OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90277c0109 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, BARRY STEINHART, VP OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,465.

-30- 291
#90277c0110 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, COCA-COLA CO, BEN. OWNER OF COCA-COLA ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CCE), SOLD 70,522 SHARES AT $14.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90277c0111 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, COCA-COLA CO, BEN. OWNER OF COCA-COLA ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CCE), SOLD 133,242 SHARES AT $14.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90277c0112 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, COCA-COLA CO, BEN. OWNER OF COCA-COLA ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CCE), SOLD 77,824 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,594,251.

-30- 341
#90277c0113 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, COCA-COLA CO, BEN. OWNER OF COCA-COLA ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CCE), SOLD 266,617 SHARES AT $14.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90277c0115 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JAMES A GEIER, CHAIRMAN OF CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,548,785.

-30- 332
#90277c0116 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, DAVID KARETSKY, DIR. OF DISTRIBUTED LOGIC CORP. (TICKER: DLOG), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90277c0117 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JAMES M STACKPOOLE, OFFICER OF DELTONA CORP. (TICKER: DLT), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 307
#90277c0118 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DANIEL W LEBLOND, DIR. OF EAGLE-PICHER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: EPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 3,500.

-30- 322
#90277c0119 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, ROGER GIMBEL, DIR. OF FIRST NEW YORK BUSINESS BANK CORP. (TICKER: FNYB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,000.

-30- 341
#90277c0120 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, THOMAS L FISHER, DIR. OF NICOR INC. (TICKER: GAS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $44.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90277c0121 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, NORMAN K G COHEN, DIR. OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,330.

-30- 339
#90277c0123 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, STEPHEN J TRAFTON, VP OF GLENFED INC. (TICKER: GLN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 297
#90277c0124 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, PETER T FAZIO, OFFICER OF GROUNDWATER TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GWTI), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 424.

-30- 328
#90277c0125 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, COLONIAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF THE COLONIAL BANCGROUP INC. (TICKER: CLBG), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 220,798.

-30- 337
#90277c0126 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JERRY L MCCLELLAN, OFFICER OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM), SOLD 8,300 SHARES AT $42.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90277c0127 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JERRY L MCCLELLAN, OFFICER OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM), SOLD 101 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90277c0128 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, LARRY H MONTGOMERY, DIV. OFFICER OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,404.

-30- 314
#90277c0129 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, THOMAS A CLAWSON, DIR. OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,558.

-30- 337
#90277c0131 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM OBERLINK, VP OF MCCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: MCAW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90277c0132 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, WILLIAM OBERLINK, VP OF MCCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: MCAW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 343
#90277c0133 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ERNEST G LUDY, OFFICER OF MEDSTAT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MDST), SOLD 26,300 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 817,700.

-30- 323
#90277c0134 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, CHARLES S MECHEM JR, DIR. OF THE MEAD CORP. (TICKER: MEA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,640.

-30- 297
#90277c0135 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, NORMAN SPIEGEL, PRES. OF NASTA INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: NAS), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 319
#90277c0136 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOHN J MCNAUGHTON, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 111,550.

-30- 330
#90277c0137 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JOHN P WHITE, DIR. OF ONCOGENE SCIENCE INC. (TICKER: ONCS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 316
#90277c0139 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JAMES DIMON, VP OF PRIMERICA CORP. (TICKER: PA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,500.

-30- 293
#90277c0140 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, IRWIN ETTINGER, VP OF PRIMERICA CORP. (TICKER: PA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 298
#90277c0141 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, CHARLES O PRINCE III, VP OF PRIMERICA CORP. (TICKER: PA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 306
#90277c0142 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, SANFORD I WEILL, CHAIRMAN OF PRIMERICA CORP. (TICKER: PA), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 408,341.

-30- 316
#90277c0143 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, CITICORP VENTURE CAPITAL LTD, BEN. OWNER OF PAMIDA HOLDINGS CORP. (TICKER: PAM), SOLD 1,500,000 SHARES AT $4.61 PER SHARE.

-30- 325

#90277c0144 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, C RICHARD HARRISON, OFFICER OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,778.

-30- 342
#90277c0145 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOSEPH M SEGEL, CHAIRMAN OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 132,012.

-30- 321
#90277c0147 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DAVID B KINNEY, DIR. OF RADVA CORP. (TICKER: RDVA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 167,000.

-30- 297
#90277c0148 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HENRY ALLAN STARK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUN ELECTRIC CORP. (TICKER: SE), SOLD 903 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90277c0149 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HENRY ALLAN STARK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUN ELECTRIC CORP. (TICKER: SE), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,088.

-30- 335
#90277c0150 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, PRESTON L SMITH, PRES. OF S.K.I LTD. (TICKER: SKII), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90277c0151 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PRESTON L SMITH, PRES. OF S.K.I LTD. (TICKER: SKII), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 659,505.

-30- 298
#90277c0152 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90277c0153 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90277c0155 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,022.

-30- 302
#90277c0156 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0157 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0158 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90277c0159 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0160 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0161 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0163 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0164 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90277c0165 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90277c0166 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0167 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90277c0168 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0169 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0171 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 44,746,714.

-30- 329
#90277c0172 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0173 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90277c0174 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90277c0175 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0176 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90277c0177 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.

(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90277c0179 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90277c0180 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0181 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90277c0182 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90277c0183 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90277c0184 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.

(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90277c0185 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0187 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90277c0188 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0189 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0190 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90277c0191 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.

(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90277c0192 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90277c0193 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90277c0195 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0196 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0197 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0198 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER:

VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0199 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0200 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0201 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0203 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0204 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0205 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER:

VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0206 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0207 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0208 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0209 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0211 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0212 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER:

VIA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90277c0213 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0214 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0215 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0216 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90277c0217 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0219 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER:

VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0220 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90277c0221 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0222 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0223 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0224 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0225 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER:

VIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0227 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0228 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0229 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0230 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0231 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90277c0232 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER:

VIA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90277c0233 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,899,814.

-30- 318
#90277c0235 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90277c0236 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 10,200 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90277c0237 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,016,884.

-30- 329
#90277c0238 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JAMES T TARBELL, VP OF XL/DATACOMP INC. (TICKER: XLDC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 304
#90277c0239 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 414,906 SHARES (5.57%) OF BIG B INC (TICKER: BIGB) OF BIRMINGHAM, AL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 11 through Sept. 21, 1990, FMR Corp. sold 103,200 shares at a price of $6.38 to $6.56 per share.

-30- 412
#90277c0240 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 414,906 SHARES (5.57%) OF BIG B INC (TICKER: BIGB) OF BIRMINGHAM, AL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 358
#90277c0241 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 3,705,199 SHARES (7.28%) OF ENRON CORP (TICKER: ENE) OF HOUSTON, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 17, 1990, Fidelity International LTD purchased 7,000 shares at a price of $54.19 per share.

-30- 419
#90277c0243 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC OF MILWAUKEE, WI OWNS 2,211,000

SHARES (15.80%) OF MEASUREX CORP (TICKER: MX) OF CUPERTINO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As more fully described in the initial statement, pursuant to section 1.01(a) of the affiliation agreement, Harnischfeger has agreed that it will not acquire, and has agreed that it will not permit any members of the investor group to acquire, any voting securities if after such acquisition the members of the investor group would beneficially own in the aggregate more than 20 percent of the total combined voting power of the voting securities outstanding after such acquisition.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 5 through Oct. 3, 1990, Harnischfeger Industries Inc. purchased 320,800 shares at a price of $16.50 to $17.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of voting securities.

-30- 1060
#90277c0244 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J.J. BROWN TRUSTEE OWNS 2,064,000 SHARES (50.38%) OF MANUFACTURED HOMES INC (TICKER: MNH) OF WINSTON-SALEM, NC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Manufactured Homes Inc. has issued to the Prudential Insurance Co. of America $15 million in series A notes, $10 million in series B notes, $14 million in convertible subordinated notes, a revolving credit note for $6,444,731 plus accrued interest since June 14, 1990 against which a consent judgement in a New York district court has been entered in a civil action brought by Prudential for collection of the amount due, and a warranty dated Mar. 23, 1989 entitling Prudential to purchase 1 million common or class B common shares. Manufactured Homes Inc. has entered into an agreement with Prudential whereby the notes, judgement and warrant will be exchanged by Oct. 15, 1990 for class B common shares subject to certain conditions, one of which is that Robert Sauls, the president, CEO, Chairman and majority stockholder place his 2,064,000 shares in a voting trust. Sauls and Manufactured Homes Inc. agreed to the voting trust as consideration for Prudential's exchange of the debt, judgement and warrants.

-30- 1394
#90277c0245 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W. OFFIELD OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 4,362,444 SHARES (14.20%) OF WM WRIGLEY JR CO (TICKER: WWY) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 28, 1990, 193,346 class B common shares were transferred from the Offield Family Foundation in exchange for a like number of common shares owned by William Wrigley, the president and CEO of the company.

PURPOSE:

To provide continuing ownership of class B common stock by members of the Wrigley family.

-30- 648
#90277c0246 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY TCG INTL INC OWNS 1,408,973 SHARES (74.00%) OF KUSTOM ELECTRONICS INC (TICKER: KUST) OF OVERLAND PARK, KS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

TCG International Inc. purchased 62,164 shares from April through Sept. 1990 for $3.85 to $4.31 per share.

-30- 456
#90277c0247 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 441,000 SHARES (6.88%) OF NASHUA CORP (TICKER: NSH) OF NASHUA, NH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 2 to Oct. 2, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. sold 10,000 shares for $37.88 to $43 per share and purchased 24,200 shares for $34 to $43 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 525
#90277c0248 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 695,326 CLASS A SHARES (20.09%) OF SEQUA CORPORATION (TICKER: SQA) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 6 to Sept. 2, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. sold 8,554 shares and purchased 16,300 shares for $68.26 to $77.65 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 524
#90277c0249 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 226,650 SHARES (6.00%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Fidelity International Inc., Kelso Investors and FMR Investors, together, own 575,024 shares, 15.1 percent, of the issued and outstanding shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 17, 1990 through Oct. 1, 1990, Fidelity International Inc.

purchased 36,600 shares at a price of $5.23 to $6.63 per share.

-30- 649
#90277c0251 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY S.L. BROWN OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 419,755 SHARES (41.82%) OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP (TICKER: FKL) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 29, 1990 through Oct. 1, 1990, S.L. Brown purchased 5,459 share at a price of $7.25 to $7.63 per share.

-30- 470
#90277c0252 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On an undisclosed dates, Pacholder Assoc. sold 638,928 shares of Cardis Corp. common stock at an undisclosed price per share.

-30- 423
#90277c0253 10/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GUARDIAN INDUSTRIES CORP OF NORTHVILLE, MI OWNS 872,700 SHARES (6.40%) OF APOGEE ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: APOG) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Due to a clerical error, the corporation's first transaction on Oct. 1, 1990

was reported as 2,500 shares at 14-5/16; the correct amount is 25,000 shares at 14-15/16.

-30- 520

#90277c0254 10/04/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY SANDLER ASSOCIATES OWNS 2,321,786 SHARES (16.42%) OF CENTURY COMMUNICATIONS (TICKER: CTY) OF NEW CANAAN, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From April 23, 1990 through Sept. 27, 1990, Sandler Associates purchased 285,900 shares at a price of $4 to $9.38 per share.

-30- 488

#90277d0040 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Paris (OCT. 4) - Fourth-quarter oil consumption in countries belonging to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (Oecd) will drop about 1 per cent to 38.9 barrels a day compared to a year ago, the International Energy Agency (Iea) said Thursday.

The drop would be ''primarily a consequence of higher oil prices and lower economic growth'', the Iea said. The agency expects oil consumption during the first quarter of 1991 to increase slightly over the figure of 38.5 million barrels a day recorded this year.

French Economics and Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy, speaking in Paris, said that despite the United Nations-imposed embargo on Iraq and Kuwait, there was currently ''no oil shortage''. He attributed price speculation to pessimistic expectations.

According to the Iea, ''Eight weeks after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, world supplies of crude oil remain adequate.'' It estimated that the Oecd had 95 days of oil reserves on October 1, adding that there were commercial reserves that would last for another 67 days.

In the Oecd, which groups 25 industrialised democracies, oil consumption during the third quarter rose 3 percent compared to a year ago - to 37.6 million barrels a day. In the U.S., consumption rose by 2 percent, and in Europe by 3 percent.

-30- 1507

#90277d0110 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (OCT. 4) - The current troubles of British group Polly Peck International are causing concern in Turkish-controlled northern Cyprus, where Polly Peck chairman Asil Nadir controls some 30 per cent of the economy.

The success of Mr. Nadir's activities in northern Cyprus have aided the economic recovery of the area held by Turkey and which Ankara hopes to see achieve "economic independence" by 1993.

Northern Cyprus has seen average seven percent economic growth in recent years largely thanks to funding from Ankara since the Turkish invasion in 1974 and the high level of investment by Mr. Nadir's group.

In addition to Polly Peck International's fruit concern Del Monte and Japanese electronics concern Sansui, Mr. Nadir's investments cover northern Cyprus' leading building, tourism, textile, citrus fruit, medicines and press groups, employing 10,000 people out of a total population of 160,000.

Exports from the northern part of the island totalled 57 million dollars last year, two thirds of it from Mr. Nadir's concerns.

Mr. Nadir, seen as an ambassador abroad for Turkish-controlled northern Cyprus whose government is recognised only by Ankara, is considered in some circles as a possible successor to Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash.

He is a close associate of Turkish President Turgut Ozal and controls 40 per cent of the Turkish press.

There are fears here that the recent troubles of Polly Peck, which has halted payments to its creditors and is asking for a roll-over of 117 million pounds (222 million dollars) in short-term debt, could have a severe effect on the northern Cyprus economy.

Polly Peck has been taken off the Footsie index of 100 leading shares in London since trading in the stock was suspended last month in the wake of a halving of the share price in a single day.

Talks between Mr. Nadir and Mr. Ozal in the United States last week focussed on possible financial aid from Ankara to help the group, said by the Turkish foreign minister to be the victim of a bid by Greek Cypriots to damage northern Cyprus' economic development.

-30- 2317

#90277d0120 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 4) - Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad said Thursday he would dissolve parliament Friday and call for a snap election one year ahead of schedule.

King Sultan Azlan Shah consented to the dissolution of the 177-seat parliament Mahathir told reporters after meeting with officials of his multi-racial National Front coalition government.

The date of the election will be fixed by the Election Commission soon, he said.

Mahathir will meet the chief ministers of the 11 states in Malaysia to dissolve their state assemblies on the same day.

''Our National Front coalition party is all set for the battle. We are confident that we will not only win but gain a two-thirds majority in parliament,'' Mahathir said.

''The verdict of the people will be with us,'' he added.

-30- 990

#90277d0200 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (OCT. 4) - Government and mujahedeen fighters are engaged in a fierce fight for control of the central Afghan province of Uruzgan, but the province has not fallen to the resistance, the Kabul government said Thursday.

"The governor has not surrendered and the government is in control of Tarin Kot (the provincial capital)," spokesman Humayun Mukammel said here.

He was replying to mujahedeen claims early Thursday that Uruzgan had become the fifth Afghan province to fall under their control after three weeks of heavy fighting.

The reports, from mujahedeen sources in Pakistan, said green resistance flags were flying at Tarin Kot airport and on other important buildings in the town after the surrender of province governor Abdul Shakoor.

"There has been long range (mujahedeen) shelling and rocketting, the government is also carying out attacks against the opposition (mujahedeen)," Mr. Mukammel said, but was unable to give further details.

He described the battle for the province as "fierce long-range combat" and said it was continuing.

There was no independent confirmation in Kabul of either the mujahedeen reports or the government denial.

-30- 1384

#90277d0220 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 4) - European Commissioner Martin Bangemann called here Thursday for an end to the excessive fears of some European businessmen and governments towards Japanese competition, particularly in the auto industry.

Mr. Bangemann, the deputy Commission president for industrial affairs stressed at a press conference however that European car makers would not have their sales blocked at their current level during a transitional period to an opening of the European markets to the Japanese up to 1998.

Former French European Affairs Minister Edith Cresson had said that this would be the case, with any increase in the market during the period being given to Japanese cars.

Stressing that the European industry was already performing well, Mr. Bangemann said that a 19 per cent Japanese share of the market in 1998 mentioned by Mrs. Cresson was a ceiling level.

He also said that the Commission was planning "a safeguard clause for European vehicles" if the market shrank.

The European Economic Community "must not create the impression that its businessmen are too weak to face up to the Japanese," he said, citing "a certain French businessman who wants to see relations with the Japanese government by a series of principles which he alone supports."

The president of French car maker Peugeot, Jacques Calvet, said this week he wanted to see a halt to market opening negotiations with Japan.

He called for the adoption of a series of principles including a halt to building new Japanese car plants in Europe and continuing quotas on Japanese imports for 10 years from January 1, 1993.

"There is no alternative to the progressive opening of the market, unless it is the immediate opening of the European single market" in 1993, Mr. Bangemann said.

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#90277d0280 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (OCT. 4) - Results of Wednesday's first round legislative and local elections in Brazil have shored up support for President Fernando Collor de Mello and his free market economic austerity program, according to preliminary results available Thursday.

In the polls, some 84 million registered voters were choosing 31 senators -- a third of the chamber, new representatives to the 503-seat Chamber of Deputies, 27 state governors and 1,049 delegates to regional leglislatures.

The final results of Wednesday's vote are not expected for two weeks.

Although the election was not billed as a referendum or Mr. Collor's radical economic policies, the results appeared to have favored candidates from his center-right coalition or others identified as supporters of the new president's plans to open the country to free trade and greater foreign investment.

A runoff is scheduled for November 25 for gubernatorial candidates who failed to win at least 50 per cent of the vote Wednesday. Those elections will determine, among others, the victors in Sao Paulo and Minas Gerais -- the country's most populous states.

In Sao Paulo, conservative candidates Paulo Maluf, a former governor from the Social Democratic Party, and Luis Fleury of the centrist Brazilian Democratic Movement Party will go on to the second round.

In Minas Gerais, former rightist governor Helio Garcia and populist conservative Helio Costa or Pimenta da Veiga, of the center left, were to face off in the runoffs.

In those races already decided after the first round, former president Jose Sarney was elected senator for the northern Amapa State, while Rio de Janeiro reconfirmed its traditional opposition to the government by electing as governor former presidential candidate Leonel Brizola of the leftist Democratic Workers' Party.

-30- 2048

#90277d0300 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT. 4) - Kenya and South Africa are to establish airlinks between them, following recent moves by the South African white minority government to abolish apartheid, Kenya Airways sources said here Thursday.

Kenya Airways was expected to operate a weekly flight from Nairobi to Johannesburg from December, with South African Airways operating a similar flight from Johannesburg to the Kenyan capital.

Negotiations on the airlink were at an advanced stage and followed a recent appeal to Kenya by African National Congress (ANC) deputy president Nelson Mandela to allow South African Moslems to transit through Nairobi on their way to and from pilgrimage in Mecca, the sources said.

Currently, South African Airways and Air Malawi ferry the pilgrims to the Malawian capital, Lilongwe, where Kenya Airways has agreed to pick them up for the onward journey to Mecca.

-30- 1055
#90277d0350 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HAMBURG (OCT 4) - Eastern Europeans are facing a winter of chilly apartments, long queues at petrol stations and on-again, off-again electricity as oil supplies dwindle, correspondents of the German Press Agency dpa report.

The cause of the problem is twofold: the Gulf crisis and the transformation in the Soviet Union.

The Soviet Union - the world's largest producer of oil - has slashed oil deliveries to its former Communist allies, which have been almost totally dependent on them. Problems in maintaining drilling rigs and pipelines is partly to blame.

For the oil they do export, the Soviets now demand hard currency. Previously, oil trade within the Council for Mutual Economic Assistance (Comecon), to which the Eastern European countries belong, was conducted on a rouble or barter basis.

The situation was exacerbated by the United Nations trade embargo against Iraq which had been using oil to pay off its debts in Eastern Europe. Since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, prices on the world's oil markets have more than doubled - another blow.

In Czechoslovakia Thursday, there were long lines of autos at petrol stations. Prime Minister Marian Calfa had announced earlier that the country's oil supplies would last another week.

The Hungarian government has urged belt-tightening in view of Soviet plans to cut oil exports by 30 percent.

In Bulgaria, oil supplies will presumably last until year's end. Electricity is already being shut off every four hours in the capital of Sofia. Emergency measures are also being contemplated in Poland and Romania.

-30- 1804
#90277d0440 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WARSAW (OCT. 4) - Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki is to announce Thursday that he will challenge Solidarity leader Lech Walesa in presidential elections due on November 25, well-informed sources said here.

Mr. Mazowiecki will make the announcement while facing questions by three journalists in a live television talkshow late Thursday.

Apart from candidates from two fringe parties, Mr. Walesa has until now been the only declared candidate for Poland's first post-war democratic presidential elections.

Mr. Mazowiecki, a moderate Roman Catholic intellectual, was a close aide to the union leader during Solidarity's nine-year battle for democracy.

He had been proposed by Mr. Walesa for the post of East Europe's first non-Communist prime minister last year.

The premier has become immensely popular with Poles which helped him to carry out drastic economic reforms as the country switches from a state-controlled to a free-market economy.

At the same time his relationship with the union leader, who has no direct say in Polish politics, has soured. Mr. Walesa has repeatedly criticized the government for not moving fast enough to reform the still widely communist-dominated country.

Mr. Mazowiecki has the backing of Democratic Action (ROAD), a movement that groups former Solidarity leaders who have distanced themselves from Mr. Walesa and said he would be the only politician to effectively challenge the Nobel peace prize winner.

Mr. Walesa has caught up with the prime minister in the latest popularity polls.

PAP news agency earlier announced that a rightist party and the Polish Greens, the ecological party, also presented candidates to run in the presidential race.

The Real Political Union, a rightist grouping with some 2,000 members, said its leader, Janusz Korwin-Mikke, would run for the executive post to succeed current President Wojciech Jaruzelski.

The Polish Green Party of ecologists, whose membership is higher at 6,000, said it would put up one of its leaders, Janusz Bryczkowski.

Before their candidacies can qualify as official, however, the two must each collect signatures from 100,000 supporters, as set down in recent amendments to the Polish constitution.

Mr. Walesa began his campaign tour on Monday.

The elections are set for Sunday, November 25, with a possible runoff on December 9.

Mr. Jaruzelski has been head of state since 1985. His current six-year mandate started in July last year. But for many he is still seen as a symbol of the old communist regime, and faced with mounting pressure to resign has agreed to step down.

The former communists and their allies retain 65 per cent of the seats in the lower house or Sejm under an arrangement reached before the June 1989 elections in which only 35 per cent of seats were open to other parties.

Analysts expect democratic parliamentary elections to take place early next year.

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#90277d0450 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRAZZAVILLE (OCT 4) - A former senior official in the sole, ruling Congolese Labour Party (PCT), Clement Mierassa, has formed a new Congolese Social Democratic Party (PSDC), he told journalists through an authoritative source on Thursday.

Mr. Mierassa, ex-central committee secretary in charge of state-run firms, added that he had handed in the party's statutes and programme to the ministry of territorial administration. The party was co-founded by former journalist Celestin Nkoua.

The PSDC will "militate for a democracy that protects minorities, recognizes differences, is extended to the domain of work, strengthens initiative and promotes the associative movement," according to its programme.

Mr. Mierassa and Mr. Nkoua were arrested last July and accused of plotting to overthrow national institutions. Police seized several documents at Mr. Nkoua's home. The two were freed by President Denis Sassou Nguesso last month.

Mr. Mierassa indicated that the PSDC was the fourth new party officially to register with the ministry.

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#90277d0500 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 4) - Copper prices climbed on the London Metal Exchange (LME) Thursday, boosted by a follow-through from overnight buying in New York.

Three months copper, underpinned by the 60 pound per ton premium of cash metal was quoted at 1,444 pounds per ton in after-hours kerb trading, against 1,449 on the ring and 1,433 on Wednesday.

Nickel prices also went firmer, continuing the recovery from lows which was sparked by buying in thin conditions on Wednesday.

Three months nickel was quoted at 9,350 dollars per ton on the kerb against 9,250 dollars on the ring and 9,275 on Wednesday.

Zinc was another firm feature of the day, firming to 1,395 dollars per ton on the kerb from 1,390 on the ring and 1,357 on Wednesday.

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#90277d0530 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (OCT. 4) - Two Palestinians were brought to trial before a German court here Thursday for attempting to attack two U.S. military trains in August 1987 and April 1988, officials said.

Hassem Kassem Dalkamoni, 45, and Abdel Tattah Ghadanfar, 48, have also been charged with attempted murder.

In the first attack, between the towns of Kassel and Goettingen, central Germany, explosives damaged a freight train after the real target, a military train with 150 U.S. soldiers and their families, was delayed.

Only the driver of a car which passed near the freight train was injured in the explosion.

Nobody was injured in the 1988 attack on the same railway line.

Police found many weapons, several kilograms (pounds) of explosives and four homemade bombs in an apartment let to the two Palestinians. Police said the bombs were destined for attacks on aircraft.

The two Palestinians are suspected of setting up an organization close to the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command (FPLP-GC) in West Germany in early 1987. The FPLP-GC is headed by Ahmad Jibril.

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#90277d0550 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FORT-DE-FRANCE, Martinique (OCT 4) - Flooding caused by torrential rains from tropical storm Klaus left at least five persons dead and two missing on the French Caribbean island of Martinique, officials said Thursday.

The dead included a farmer who drowned in flood waters in the southern part of the island and two girls who were swept away by a swollen river in the central town of Saint Joseph, authorities said.

The bodies of two adults were also found in the Monsieur River here in the capital.

Two fishermen were reported missing after their boat disappeared Tuesday off the southern tip of the island.

Local officials said the heavy rains from Klaus were expected to last three

more days and they warned the public about the likelihood of landslides.

Thursday the storm, with winds of up to 100 kilometers per hour (60 miles per hour) was centered about 220 kilometers (140 miles) north of Martinique, an overseas department of France with a population of about 340,000.

Tropical storm warnings were also in effect Thursday for Guadeloupe and other neighboring French islands, according to the U.S. National Hurricane Center in Florida.

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#90277d0580 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Berlin (OCT. 4) - Two days of unity celebrations ended in hospital for 142 revellers in the German capital of Berlin, officials said Thursday.

Most were admitted with stab wounds, concussion and lacerations received during scuffles and accidents. The majority had been discharged from hospital by Thursday.

Officials said another 400 persons were treated for minor ailments by first aid teams.

An estimated 2 million people thronged the streets of Berlin on Tuesday evening for unity celebrations that went on throughout the night and much of Wednesday.

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#90277d0590 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (OCT 4) - Iraq declared Thursday that it would "prefer war to surrender" in the Gulf crisis and called for a settlement without preconditions that would also deal with the Palestinian question.

Iraq "prefers war to surrender in the face of foreign hegemony that puts the wealth of the Arab world in the hands of foreigners," Iraqi First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan told a press conference here.

"We say it frankly," he added. "We prefer war to capitulation. It is the stance of all the whole Arab nation."

"We wish peace. But if war is imposed on us we have to face up to it," said Mr. Ramadan as he wound up a 24-hour visit to Amman.

The deputy premier, whose remarks were translated into English by an interpreter, ruled out an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, saying his country wanted dialogue "within international legitimacy and without preconditions."

He said however that a U.S. withdrawal from Saudi Arabia "would pave the way for a settlement to the crisis and other Middle East problems."

"We refuse any international initiative that does not take into account our Arab problems, notably the Palestinian question," Mr. Ramadan said.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on August 12 proposed a comprehensive settlement to all Middle East conflicts, including those caused by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2 and Israeli occupation of Arab territory.

The suggestion was promptly dismissed by Western leaders, who remain wary of a global approach to regional problems.

Mr. Ramadan was challenged during the press conference by a British journalist who asked him to allow him into Kuwait to investigate allegations of Iraqi torture of Kuwaitis.

"You are not concerned," he replied. "Kuwait is an Iraqi province and we cut off the leg of whoever enters it illegally."

Mr. Ramadan, who met here earlier with Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, said his talks with him had not resulted in agreement between the two sides although they had been able to produce a "new approach" to the crisis.

He called for both countries to pursue their dialogue.

A Japanese spokesman said Mr. Kaifu had stressed that any settlement required an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

The meeting dealt largely with the fate of 141 Japanese held hostage by Iraq, sources close to the talks said.

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#90277d0610 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAMPALA (OCT. 4) - Fighting between anti-government rebels and government troops in the northeast of the central African state Rwanda continued Thursday radio reports said.

The estimated 2,000 rebels had captured the Gabiro and Gatsibo villages, advancing to positions 70 kilometres from the Rwandan capital Kigali, the reports said.

The fighting erupted Sunday when the rebels - mainly Rwandan Tutsi refugees who have been living in camps in neighbouring Uganda for the past 30 years - crossed into the country. They had fled from tribal conflict between the Tutsis and the Hutus.

President Juvenal Habyarimana returned to Kigali Wednesday night from a visit to the United States, Rwandan radio said. On his way home he stopped over in Brussels to ask the former colonial power for military assistance against the rebels.

Belgium announced Thursday that it would send an unspecified number of troops and weapons to ensure the safety of its nationals. Brussels earlier said it would send 200 paratroopers.

France, also in response to Rwanda's request, said it would send 150 troops to ensure the safety of French nationals.

The Rwandan Patriotic Front (Rpf) rebels fighting to overthrow the Kigali government are led by Nandeurs Fred Rwigyema, a Tutsi, who was dismissed last November as deputy Ugandan defence minister under President Yoweri Museveni.

If other Rwandan refugees in neighbouring Tanzania, Zaire and Burundi joined the rebels, Habyarimana's government was at risk, diplomatic sources said. Habyarimana, 53, has ruled the country since he seized power in a 1973 coup.

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#90277d0620 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONACO (OCT. 4) - The funeral of Stefano Casiraghi, the husband of Princess Caroline, has been set for Saturday, it was announced here Thursday, as members of the Monaco royal family gathered here to mourn his accidental death.

The funeral is to take place at 11.00 a.m. at Montecarlo cathedral. Monaco authorities and the Casiraghi family on Thursday were putting the remaining details together for the funeral ceremonies.

Princess Caroline, who was in Paris when her husband was killed when his speedboat flipped over as he was defending his offshore championship title, returned home with her brother Albert on Wednesday.

Prince Albert and his sister Stephanie cut short separate visits to the United States when they heard the news. Princess Stephanie was on her way to the principality from Los Angeles on Thursday.

Thousands of local residents, Italians and French nationals Thursday filed past Mr. Casiraghi's body, exposed in a diver's suit, to pay their last respects.

Condolence telegrams meanwhile poured in, including from the English, Swedish, Danish and Lichtenstein monarchies.

"It's very sad. It's as if they were our own family," said one resident of Monte Carlo where flags have flown at half-mast since Wednesday.

Mr. Casiraghi's death is the second to strike the Grimaldi family in eight years. Princess Caroline's mother, Princess Grace, was killed in the hills behind Monte Carlo in 1982 in a car accident which also injured Princess Stephanie.

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#90277d0800 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Karlsruhe (OCT. 4) - Former East German intelligence chief Werner Grossmann was released from pre-trial detention Thursday on the order of a judge at Germany's Federal Court, his defence attorney told newsmen.

Grossmann, 61, had been arrested a day earlier when German unification became effective. A general in the former East German army, he had taken over in 1986 as head of foreign intelligence of the former communist ministry of state security.

The federal attorney's office said Grossmann had been cooperative. He had not tried to escape arrest although he knew he would be sought after reunification.

Grossmann was ordered to surrender his identity papers and report to police once a week. Whether a trial will be opened against him has not been announced.

His defence lawyer explained that while Grossmann had violated the laws of the Federal Republic, this was in the very nature of espionage and, with Germany reunited, he should not be punished.

Armed with arrest warrants, German federal officials had attempted Wednesday to arrest several other former East German spies including the legendary Markus Wolf, Grossmann's predecessor who retired in 1986.

Wolf however was not willing to be arrested. He went into hiding after contacting federal prosecutor Alexander von Stahl before October 3.

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#90277d0880 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT 4) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1.507,50 (1.485,00) 1.447,00 (1.432,50)
Lead 431,00 (413,00) 421,50 (415,50)
Zinc Sh 1.401,00 (1.367,50) 1.388,50 (1.356.00)
Tin 6.225,00 (6.175,00) 6.260,00 (6.335,00)
Aluminium 1.989,50 (1.988,50) 1.841,00 (1.837,50)

Nickel 9.675,00 (9.675,00) 9.237,50 (9.262,50)

(Tin, Alumnium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90277d0910 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (OCT 4) - Italian Prime Minister Gianni De Michelis said Thursday his government was preparing a proposal to reform the United Nations which would likely be discussed next week by foreign ministers of the 12 European Community nations.

Mr. De Michelis said he backed a proposal made by Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti several weeks ago that the EEC and Japan should both be given permanent seats on the U.N. Security Council in view of the new order in Europe and Japan's economic weight.

The proposal is likely to be discussed at the informal meeting to be held on October 6 and 7 in Venice by the 12 EEC foreign ministers and could be adopted as formal EEC policy at the formal meeting scheduled for October 22-23 in Luxembourg.

Italy currently holds the six-month revolving presidency of the EEC so can initiate this type of proposal.

Mr. De Michelis said the proposal was made to counter a Soviet suggestion that a sixth Security Council seat should be given to Germany.

He also suggested that the U.N. "military committee" which advises the Security Council on purely military matters should be reformed, but gave no details as to how this could be achieved.

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#90277d1020 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (OCT 4) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Thursday met Palestine Liberation Organisation leader Yassir Arafat for talks on the Gulf crisis, the Iraqi News Agency Ina reported.

Arafat has expressed sympathy for Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, which triggered an international trade embargo against Baghdad.

The talks were also attended by Iraq's deputy premier, Tariq Aziz, Ina said. Arafat arrived in Baghdad from Amman, where he also held talks on the Gulf situation.

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#90277d1100 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (OCT. 4) - Jenoptik Carl Zeiss Jena GmbH, the opticals specialist that was the pride of East Germany, announced a cooperation accord on Thursday with west German industrial giant MAN Technologie AG, the news agency ADN reported.

The firms will set up two jointly-owned ventures, Optosys GmbH, which will develop remote-sensing technology and space equipment, and Coramed GmbH, which will develop lasers and sensors for medical use, it said.

The two firms will be based in Jena, where Jenoptik Carl Zeiss Jena is located.

Wolfgang Brunner, head of MAN Technologie, said he aimed for annual turnover of at least 50 million Deutsche marks (32.2 million dollars).

Analysts said the tie-up benefited MAN by giving it access to laser and optical work that had been massively funded by the East German government, chiefly for military reasons. At the same time, Jenoptik Carl Zeiss Jena would get access to funds and marketing skills.

The division of Germany after the war also divided the Carl Zeiss group into a branch in the capitalist West, based in Oberkochen, and a branch, owned by the Communist state, at Jena in the East.

The group reunified last month, but for administrative and marketing reasons, decided to keep separate identities until they reviewed their products, many of which compete.

The western branch retains the name of Carl Zeiss group, whose products are marked Zeiss. The eastern products carry the label Jenoptik Carl Zeiss or Zeiss Jena.

The group, with products ranging from binoculars to lasers, will have total annual turnover of 3.6 billion marks (2.3 billion dollars), with an estimated pre-tax profit of at least 200 million marks (129 million dollars).

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#90277d1190 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (OCT 4) - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu held separate talks here Thursday with King Hussein and Iraq's first deputy prime minister, Taha Yassin Ramadan, without any apparent breakthrough towards a diplomatic solution to the Gulf crisis.

Kaifu, who later arrived in Turkey on the third leg of his Middle East tour, said here Japan insisted on an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, a restoration of the former Kuwaiti regime and freedom for all foreign nationals held in Iraq and Kuwait before any negotiations could start for a peaceful settlement to the Gulf dispute.

Kaifu's spokesman Shideo Takenaka told reporters that he did not notice any flexibility in the Iraqi position from Ramadan's meeting with the Japanese premier.

He also said no progress was reached on a release of over 300 Japanese nationals kept against their will by Iraq and Kuwait.

Ramadan told a press conference that Iraq ''would not fire the first shot'' in the Gulf but warned the United States that ''if it starts a war, it will not be able to stop it or limit it to any area or time frame, and it will lose all its allies in the region.''

He said his talks with Kaifu ''focused on the need to intensify efforts to develop conditions that are more conducive to a peaceful settlement through an open dialogue over all the problems of the region.''

Ramadan welcomed French President Francois Mitterrand's peace proposals which he described as ''a window of opportunity that offers some hope, especially since it comes from a party that has good intentions.''

Kaifu reportedly told Ramadan during the meeting that ''only when Iraq implements Security Council resolutions will there be fruitful and constructive negotiations for peace.''

King Hussein stressed to Kaifu the importance of keeping alive the diplomatic option so as to avoid a destructive war in the region.

A spokesman for Kaifu said Japan had agreed to extend to Jordan 250 million dollars in assistance, including 100 million dollars in emergency commodity aid and the rest in soft loans.

Jordan, along with Turkey and Egypt, was considered in a 2 billion dollar Japanese package as the three frontline countries worst hit by the Gulf crisis and the economic embargo imposed on Iraq.

Jordan's Crown Prince Hassan and Prime Minister Mudar Badran said in a meeting with Kaifu earlier that Jordan was faithfully abiding by the U.N. sanctions impsed against Iraq, which they described as one of the kingdom's political allies and its biggest trading partner.

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#90277d1220 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) - The U.S.-Soviet agreement on reducing Conventional Forces in Europe (CFE) set a ceiling of 70,000 combat vehicles and artillery pieces for both the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and the Warsaw Pact, Secretary of State James Baker said Friday.

President George Bush, speaking before Mr. Baker, said the agreement in principle concluded Wednesday between Washington and Moscow would "redraw the military map" to match the dramatic political changes undergone in Europe.

Mr. Baker said the agreement set the following CFE ceilings for each alliance: 20,000 tanks, 20,000 artillery pieces, 30,000 armored combat vehicles (ACV) and 2,000 helicopters.

The overall ceiling for any country in either pact is as follows: 13,300 tanks 13,700 artillery pieces, 20,000 ACV's and 1,500 helicopters.

No agreement had been reached on an overall ceiling for combat aircraft, he added, but they did agree on a country maximum of 5,150 combat aircraft, Mr. Baker added.

The secretary of state said that all the allies were previously consulted on the agreement in principle which he concluded Wednesday in New York with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

Mr. Bush said he hoped a final treaty could be drawn up before the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) is held in Paris next month. Washington has made conclusion of the CFE treaty a precondition for attending the CSCE summit.

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#90277d1410 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (OCT 4) - The Iraqi authorities have renamed oil refineries and terminals in Kuwait in their latest move to absorb the occupied emirate, the Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported Thursday.

The Iraqi oil ministry has renamed the al-Ahmadi and Mina-Abdallah refineries al-Nida and Saddam, after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, INA said.

Five terminals also had their names altered.

Al-Ahmadi-East has become al-Nida-East, the King Faisal Avenue terminal is now Babylon Avenue, Mina-Abdallah is Mina-Saddam, the terminal at Sabbah Al-Salem is called Saddam and al-Jabriya is al-Shoumoukh (Pride).

The measure was the latest of several taken by Baghdad to absorb the emirate politically and socially. On September 27, it announced the abolition of Kuwaiti identity cards.

Iraq invaded and annexed Kuwait in early August and later proclaimed part of the emirate as the 19th Iraqi province, naming a cabinet minister, Ali Hassan al-Majid, as its governor.

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#90277d1440 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MASSY, France (OCT. 4) - An explosion demolished a five-storey apartment building here early Thursday, killing at least five people, injuring eight and leaving eight others believed buried in the debris, firemen said.

Four of the injured were seriously hurt in the blast, which was believed caused by a gas leak. They included a baby which was badly burned and a girl who lost a foot.

Firemen feared the worst for those still buried, as a fire was still burning under the debris and could have asphyxiated survivors.

They said they needed about another 24 hours to shift all the debris, as they were having to exercise maximum care not to cause a further collapse on those still inside.

A rescue worker said the whole building in this town south of Paris had collapsed "like a house of cards".

A total of 37 apartments were wrecked in the blast, which was followed by a fire. There was a strong smell of gas at the scene after the tragedy.

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#90277d1480 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 4) - South Africa's white population will get two separate chances to vote in a referendum to introduce a new constitution while all other South African citizens will get only one vote, a senior government official said Thursday.

If the proposed constitution was adopted it would give South Africa's majority black population the right to vote.

Roelf Meyer, deputy minister for constitutional development, told foreign journalists there would be one referendum for the nation's five million whites and another in which all races could vote.

But he said it was considered unlikely that whites would vote against the referendum while the rest of the nation voted for it. Mr. Meyer said the white extreme-right wing "has not put forward any viable constitutional proposal of its own," despite its alleged increased popularity and its hostility to current government reforms.

Both referendums would only take place in 1993 or early 1994, Mr. Meyer said, because it would take "two to three years" to conclude the constitutional

reform talks due to begin early next year.

The talks would take the form of a round-table rather than a face-to-face between the government and the opposition, Mr. Meyer said. "All political parties that have a recognized constituency" could take part in the round-table, he added.

He said only the Panafricanist Congress, its ally Azapo, and at the other end of the political spectrum, the extreme right-wing white Conservative Party, were not prepared to take part in the talks.

The main players in the talks would be the ruling National Party, the African National Congress and its conservative rival, the Zulu Inkatha party.

Mr. Meyer said the recent murderous fighting between ANC and Inkatha supporters in the townships around Johhanesburg had "caused a delay" in the pre-round-table talks.

The nation's future constitution, which would replace the one introduced in 1984, would have to meet "two fundamental goals," Mr. Meyer said. It "must be democratic, meaning one man, one vote" and "must eliminate all potential for violent conflict," between the country's different ethnic groups.

The government favoured a "federalist approach," he said, with the country divided into a dozen more or less autonomous regions, a two-tier parliament and a "bill of rights."

Race and skin colour would no longer define or limit the various groups or regions represented in parliament, he added.

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#90277d1530 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT 4) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev signed a decree Thursday, allowing companies to set their own wholesale prices, the news agency Tass reported.

Tass said the decree, providing for ''the extensive use of negotiated wholesale prices'' between economic enterprises, was a ''priority measure to introduce a market''.

The news agency said the move was necessary to help companies boost their economic independence, increase motivation and output and for laying the groundwork for a market-driven economy.

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#90277d1550 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (OCT 4) - The chairman of the nonaligned movement, Yugoslavia's Foreign Minister Budimir Loncar, Thursday proposed an initiative by the organisation on the Gulf crisis.

Loncar, speaking at a meeting of the movement's foreign ministers at the United Nations, said the initiative should be based on U.N. Security Council resolutions demanding the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the restoration of the Kuwaiti government.

He suggested that he be charged with preparing such an initiative.

The president of the U.N. General Assembly, Maltese Foreign Minister Guido de Marco, said ''the movement could seek to ensure the necessary combination of firmness, humaneness and consensus that must accompany all action by the international community''.

Both ministers emphasised that a Gulf settlement could help solve other conflicts in the region. That view was also expressed by U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmad al-Jaber as-Sabah asked the non-aligned movement for help in implementing the Security Council's resolutions on the Gulf crisis.

''Peace can be reached only through the full and immediate implementation of international resolutions that match the noble principles on which the non-aligned movement is based,'' he said.

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#90277d1610 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 4) - Bulgarian President Jelio Jelev arrived in Paris on Thursday at the start of a one-and-a-half day official visit.

He will hold talks with his French counterpart Francois Mitterrand and with the president of the European Economic Community's executive commission, Jacques Delors.

Mr. Jelev is expected to ask France for humanitarian aid to help his country counter severe shortages of basic necessities. Before leaving Bulgaria he said he would seek food and medical aid.

Bulgaria is already to get 33 million dollars' worth of aid from the EEC this year after signing a trade and cooperation agreement with the 12-nation trade bloc in May.

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#90277d1670 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOI (OCT 4) - Belgium's deputy prime minister, Philippe Moureaux, is to make an official visit to Vietnam soon, a spokesman for the Vietnamese Foreign Affairs Ministry said here Thursday.

A Belgian diplomatic source said the visit was initially set to begin October 13 but was postponed at Belgium's request until "the end of this month or the beginning of next month."

Mr. Moureaux, who also serves as minister for institutional reform, was to discuss strengthening bilateral cooperation with Vietnamese officials, the Vietnamese spokesman said.

It would be the first such high-ranking delegation to visit here since Brussels and Hanoi established diplomatic ties in 1973, he added.

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#90277d1820 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) - The USS Independence, the first U.S. aircraft carrier to enter the Gulf since 1974, left the waterway Thursday after a two-day show of strength, the Pentagon said.

"We consider the mission of the Independence in the Gulf a success," said Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams. "The mission was to demonstrate to our friends and allies in the region that it is possible to put a carrier in the Gulf and carry out operations.

"Those were the goals, and they were accomplished."

He did not say what the carrier would do next. Before entering the Gulf Tuesday the Independence and its battle group had been stationed in the northern Arabian Sea.

Lieutenant Commander Mark Walker, a Navy spokesman, said the brief Gulf tour by the Independence, which was carrying at least 70 aircraft, was not meant to increase regional tensions but was rather "a visible demonstration of the operational capabalities of a carrier battle group to our friends and allies in the region."

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#90277d2150 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (OCT 4) - Japan agreed Thursday to give 600 million yen (about 4.38 million dollars) in aid to fund food-growing schemes in India, the Indian government said Thursday.

Japanese Charge D'affaires Akira Matsui and D. Subbarao, joint secretary in

the Indian finance ministry, exchanged documents on Tokyo's aid here Thursday, a statement from the Indian government said.

The aid is to finance fertiliser imports to meet domestic shortages and to buy imported small tractors.

Japan has extended some 38 million dollars in aid to the promotion of Indian agriculture since 1979, the statement said.

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#90277d2590 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (OCT 5) - An earthquake measuring 5 points on the open-ended Richter scale rattled New Zealand's capital here Friday, but there were no reports of damage.

Two short tremors were felt at 11:45 a.m. (2345 GMT).

A preliminary report from the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research indicated the quake was centered near Cape Palliser, 50 kilometres (30 miles) east of here, Radio New Zealand said.

A quake of magnitude 5 can cause considerable damage.

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#90277d2660 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 4) - Angolan rebel leader Jonas Savimbi Thursday implored the United States to continue aiding his Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) until a peace accord is reached.

President George Bush, who received the rebel leader at the White House on Tuesday, expressed optimism that the UNITA rebels and the Angolan Government would sign a ceasefire agreement by the end of the year.

Peace negotiations to end Angola's 15-year civil war are expected to resume at the end of October.

"There will be no peace, no reconciliation if there are no elections in Angola " said Mr. Savimbi, adding that he wanted the vote before the end of 1991 and after the last Cuban soldier leaves by mid-July next year.

Cubans are no longer in combat, he said, but "the Russians are the ones who are doing the job that the Cubans were doing."

One of the main points of disagreement is over whether UNITA will be recognized by Luanda as a legitimate political party. Mr. Savimbi has insisted that UNITA should be recognized once a ceasefire accord is signed.

Mr. Savimbi said his presence in Washington, only days before Congress is to consider continuing financial assistance to the Angolan rebels, was a "coincidence," and he maintained he did not come to lobby legislators.

"We think it important that U.S. assistance continue, to cut assistance will jeopardize the process of negotiations," said Mr. Savimbi. He expressed optimism on funding after meeting with Mr. Bush.

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#90277d3030 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Vienna (OCT. 5) - Some 5.6 million Austrians go to the polls on Sunday to elect a new parliament in general elections which will establish the country's political direction for the next four years.

Opinion polls forecast losses for the two parties in Austria's grand coalition - the Socialist Party (Spoe) of Chancellor Franz Vranitzky and the conservative Austrian People's Party (OeVp).

However both are expected to hold on to their positions as the two strongest political forces in the country.

Election pundits believe the Spoe, with 43 percent of the votes at the last elections, will struggle to beat the 40 percent mark.

The OeVp is heading for a loss of five percent from 41 percent in 1986, according to the latest surveys.

The biggest gainer is expected to be the right-leaning Freedom Party of Austria (Fpoe) under its chairman, Joerg Haider.

The party has been enjoying rising popularity in the last few months. Opinion polls show that at least a six-point increase is possible on its 10-per-cent share last time round.

The Fpoe made large gains at recent communal elections under the leadership of Haider who has steered the party clearly to the political right from its liberal base.

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#90277d3100 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 5) - The rate of increase in Japanese bank lending slowed by 13.8 percent from a year earlier in August, the Bank of Japan said.

Japanese banks' outstanding loans as of the end of August showed an increase of 3.015 trillion yen (22.3 billion dollars), down 13.8 percent from the 3.495

trillion yen (25.5 billion dollars) recorded a year earlier, the central bank said in a report Thursday.

Central bank officials attributed the slowdown mainly to the authorities' call for restraints on loans for land purchases and major commercial banks' curbs on loans to meet international capital-adequacy targets set by the Bank for International Settlements.

Annual interest rates on short- and long-term loans by commercial banks in August averaged 6.929 percent, up 0.085 points from the preceding month, it said.

It represented the 16th consecutive rise in such interest rates, the Bank of Japan added.

Japanese financial authorities have been asking banks to control lending to other industries, particularly real estate firms allegedly responsible for raising land prices in Japan.

In a bid to head off inflation, the Bank of Japan raised its official discount rate -- the interest on loans to commercial banks -- by 0.75 points to six percent a year on August 30.

It was the fifth straight rise in the key money rate since May 31 last year.

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#90277d3130 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NOUMEA (OCT. 5) - New Caledonia's northern province has officially assumed ownership of nickel mines from opposition deputy Jacques Lafleur, provincial authorities said.

Eighty-five percent of the shares of the South Pacific Mining Company belonging to Mr. Lafleur were bought by the northern province's finance and investment firm for 99 million francs, the officials said Thursday.

The investment firm, created on September 17, is a holding company charged with overseeing the financial operations of the province which cannot act directly as an investor.

When the mining company's shares were transferred, Northern Province President Leopold Joredie thanked Mr. Lafleur for having "kept his word."

He hailed the "links of mutual understanding" developed during the negotiations that led to the purchase of the mines and said he hoped the operation would "serve as an example and a psychological trigger."

Mr. Lafleur, meanwhile, said that the sale of the mines "was done in a spirit

of justice and economic redistribution among New Caledonia's provinces."

Mr. Lafleur is a leading figure in the Rally for Caledonia in the Republic Party, which seeks to maintain New Caledonia's links with France. The northern province is dominated by ethnic Melanesians who want independence for the territory.

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#90277d7790 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Colombo (OCT. 4) - Seven soldiers were killed in an ambush by suspected Tamil rebels in northwest Sri Lanka Thursday morning, military officials said.

The soldiers were ambushed by suspected rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (Ltte) at Cheddikulam, some 230 kilometers from here, officials said.

Rebels took weapons and communications equipment following the incident in which one soldier was also critically injured. The soldiers had been on a routine patrol.

Meanwhile, in the eastern Ampara district, an Ltte area leader was shot dead by security forces during an operation against Tamil rebels fighting in the northeast of the country for an independent homeland for the minority Tamils.

Two rebels were also killed in the same district while in a separate incident in the adjoining Batticaloa district, security forces opened fire at a group of suspected rebels harvesting paddy field of some Sinhalase farmers.

Kankestanthurai and Elephant Pass military camps also came under sporadic fire by rebels Wednesday night, military officials said.

Civilian sources who fled Jaffna said that Tamil rebels had begun leaving Jaffna Fort camp, which they occupied after government troops pulled out last week. They were reported to be moving to other operational areas.

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#90277d7870 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 4) - Bank Duta, a large financial institution connected with Indonesian President Suharto, announced Thursday that it incurred losses of 420 million dollars through foreign exchange transactions.

Bank Duta's board of commissioners told a meeting of shareholders that the losses dated from as far back as 1988.

"The total was an accummulation of losses from foreign exchange transactions through correspondent banks in increasingly larger volume," the bank said in a

statement.

The bank is Indonesia's second largest private bank with assets of more than one billion dollars at the end of 1989. It is 73 percent owned by three charity foundations chaired by Mr. Suharto.

The board of commissioners said the main shareholders have fully replaced the financial losses in the form of pure aid.

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#90277d7890 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 4) - Sales of German-made luxury cars Mercedes-Benz and BMW in Japan fell sharply in September compared to the same month the previous year, the Japan Automobile Importers' Association said here Thursday.

Mercedes-Benz sold 2,221 cars in September, a drop of 31.9 percent over the same month in 1989. Sales by the Bavarian carmaker BMW fell by 15.3 percent to 2,787 units over the same period.

Motor dealers here say the rise in petrol prices as a result of the Gulf crisis and the dramatic fall in the value of shares on the Tokyo stock exchange may be behind the poor sales figures.

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#90277d7990 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN (OCT. 4) - The annual inflation rate in West Germany reached 3 percent, rising from the August rate of 2.8 percent, the increase mainly triggered by higher fuel prices, the Federal Office of Statistics reported Thursday.

Reporting on the cost of living index in the western part of Germany in the last month before unification, the office said that discounting fuel cost factors, the inflation rate would have been lower, at 2.5 percent. dpa ds 041016 okt 90

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#90277d8070 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (OCT. 4) - German President Richard von Weizsaecker met here Thursday for private talks with the Dalai Lama, the spiritual head of Buddhists in Tibet.

During the meeting at Castle Bellevue, the president's Berlin residence, the exiled political ruler of Tibet expressed his congratulations at Wednesday's reunification of Germany, a spokesman said.

It was the first time that a Western head-of-state had received the Dalai Lama who lives in India.

China, which asserts sole sovereignty over Tibet, protested at the meeting. The Dalai Lama favours a Tibet largely free of Chinese influence.

The two men discussed aspects of the Christian and Buddhist creeds and the Dalai Lama told Weizsaecker of his peace plan for Tibet. The Dalai Lama travelled on to Frankfurt where he was due to visit the annual book fair.

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#90277d8110 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT. 4) - The European Community Commission here early Thursday approved a proposal for a 30 percent cut in farm subsidies around the world, a policy line likely to put the E.C. on a collision course with the U.S. at the "Uruguay Round" of Gatt talks.

The proposals put forward by Farm Commissioner Ray MacSharry and approved by the 17 E.C. commissioners, will be reviewed by the E.C. Council of Ministers next week in Luxembourg.

The council is to finalise the E.C. negotiating position as the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade "Uruguay Round" of world trade liberalisation negotiations enters its decisive phase in Geneva.

In the Uruguay Round, the U.S. has been demanding a 70 percent slashing of farm subsidies around the world.

The Uruguay Round is to be concluded in early December. But major disputes,

the thorniest being in agriculture, still have to be resolved by the more than 100 participating Gatt nations.

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#90277d8130 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Amman (OCT. 4) - Palestine Liberation Organisation Chairman Yassir Arafat and Soviet special envoy Yevgeny Krimapov left Amman separately for Baghdad Thursday after holding talks on the Gulf crisis.

Official sources said Arafat met with Krimapov as part of the Soviet envoy's talks in the region which included a meeting with King Hussein of Jordan Wednesday and talks in Baghdad with Iraqi leaders.

Krimapov, special envoy of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and member of the presidential council, delivered a message to King Hussein from Gorbachev ''dealing with the dangerous situation in the Gulf''.

King Hussein emphasised Wednesday Jordan's keenness on reaching a political settlement to the Gulf crisis and other Middle East issues and said Amman shared the Soviet view that ''military force should not be used to settle regional and international disputes''.

No details on the contents of Arafat's talks with Krimapov emerged, but the Plo leader told the Jordanian news agency, Petra, that there were ''moves to crystallise a comprehensive Arab initiative aimed at averting the catastrophe which will result from the option of war'' in the Gulf.

''Efforts are underway to avert an explosion in the region,'' Arafat was quoted as saying. ''We see changes in the international positions, as are obvious in French President Francois Mitterrand's initiative, the European-Soviet joint statement and U.S. President George Bush's speech to the United Nations,'' Petra quoted him as saying.

The Plo leader said international law must also be applied in the Israeli-occupied territories.

''International legitimacy cannot be selective,'' he said. ''If it is applicable in the Gulf crisis then it is also applicable in Palestine.''

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#90277d8190 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (OCT. 4) - "Bread, sugar and flour are almost unaffordable. But everyday needs like locomotives and power plants are getting cheaper."

Such was the gallows humour assessment of the Yugoslavia's price developments by Belgrade radio recently.

At the outset of 1990, the Yugoslav government had predicted an inflation rate of 15 percent for the year. But more than 90 percent of goods in the country have already become more expensive than that.

The government never tires of reporting successful cases in its program to combat inflation, but in September alone, electricity rates were 24 percent higher, furniture 25 percent, railroad fares 35 percent, and bread 45 percent more expensive than a year earlier. On top of it, rents have already been raised by up to 1,100 percent.

Once again, price developments are slipping beyond the government's control. In Sepember alone, the cost of living index jumped 7.6 percent from August levels, more than double the government's three percent prediction.

The new wave of inflation has been the final death blow to Premier Ante Markovic's already floundering program to try to revamp the crisis-ridden

economy.

Despite every new pronouncement to the contrary, the completely outdated banking system has not been reformed, and the money-losing factories continue to wrack up losses.

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#90277d8460 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (OCT. 4) - Leading opposition parties in Bangladesh announced plans Thursday for a joint demonstration in the capital next week to press for the resignation of the government of President Hussain Muhammad Ershad.

Amir Hussain, a spokesman for the Awami League, the largest opposition group, told newsmen that over 200,000 party workers will be called up from across the country to assemble in central Dhaka on October 10.

Another 100,000 people are expected to be mobilised by the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (Bnp) to join the anti-government rally.

Hussain said Sheikh Hasina Wazed, chief of the League, and fellow opposition leader Begum Khaleda Zia of the Bnp will lead a protest march which is expected to include half a million people.

President Ershad, whose eight-year rule has come under severe criticism from the opposition, trade unions and student groups for corruption, economic mismanagement and high prices, is seeking re-election next year.

The former army chief, who seized power through a military coup in 1982, denied the charges, claiming the country's economic problems were due to recurrent floods and the present Gulf crisis.

Ershad has said he would hold elections between March and October next year but he has refused so far to announce a definite date. The League and the Bnp have decided to boycott the polls unless Ershad steps down first and allows a caretaker government to organise the elections.

More than 20 smaller opposition parties and six trade unions have announced support for the October 10 demonstration. dpa wo 041331 okt 90

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#90277d8510 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (OCT. 4) - Three persons charged with conspiring to murder former Sri Lankan president Junius Richard Jayewardene in parliament 19 days after the signing of the Indo-Lanka peace accord in 1987 were acquitted by the high court Thursday.

The three, all employees of parliament, were acquitted for lack of evidence. The court also found that their pre-trial statements had been taken under duress. The three had been on trial for a year on charges filed under emergency regulations and the prevention of terrorism act.

A member of parliament and a government official were killed in a grenade explosion while more than 25 MPS were injured on August 18, 1987, in an incident for which the Sinhala Marxist Janatha Vimukthi Peramuna (JVP - People's Liberation Front - was blamed by the government.

The Sinhala rebels unleashed a terror campaign against the state following the signing of the Indo-Lanka peace accord under which nearly 100,000 Indian troops were deployed in the northeast of the country.

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#90277d8780 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOGNE (OCT. 4) - Ford of Germany, unveiling its new Escort and Orion model cars Thursday, said its production plants were running at nearly top capacity and that additional work shifts were scheduled to try to keep up with demand.

Ford said its plant at Saarlouis was producing 1,120 Escort and Orion cars a day. By November, production is to rise to 1,360 cars daily, while 300 new workers were to be hired on a temporary basis.

At the same time, the Cologne plant, now producing a total of 1,340 Fiesta and Scorpio cars daily, was scheduled for four additional special work shifts.

Ford said its plant at Gent, Belgium, was also running at full capacity, producing 1,500 Sierra and 380 transit van vehicles daily.

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#90277d8890 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (OCT. 4) - Finance ministers from Czechoslovakia, Poland and Hungary are due to meet in Budapest on Saturday with a view to pressing the Soviet Union to ease their oil-supply problems, an economic newspaper reported here on Thursday as motorists queued to buy petrol.

The daily Hospodarske Noviny newspaper said that the meeting, intended to co-ordinate efforts to ensure supplies in response to a sharp fall in deliveries from the Soviet Union, was suggested at a meeting of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in Washington last week.

The three countries hoped together to be able to persuade the Soviet Union to give priority treatment in the distribution of available reserves to its traditional markets.

The government of Czechoslovakia has calculated that of 16.5 million tons of oil due to be delivered by the Soviet Union by the end of the year, only 13 million tons would be supplied.

The Prime Minister of Slovakia, Vladimir Meciar, said on television on Tuesday that Slovakia had petrol reserves for only two days of consumption.

This caused panic buying by motorists, and people were queuing for hours at petrol stations on Thursday, an AFP correspondent reported.

The management of the national Benzina company has denied that supplies to petrol pumps were threatened.

It said that it had stocks of 30,000 tons of petrol and 18,688 tons of of super petrol, and that these amounts were greater than those held in July when panic buying led the government to increase the price of oil products by 50 percent.

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#90277d8920 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 4) - The world oil market is not short of oil, and IMF-supervised control of the trading and pricing of oil is required to ensure a stable market, French Economy Minister Pierre Beregevoy said on Thursday.

He warned that the world faced a threat of "stagflation", and repeated a suggestion that the rise in oil prices caused by the Gulf crisis should be used as an opportunity "to try to put the market in order".

Mr. Beregevoy told a regular press conference that he had been struck at the favourable response to his proposals to organise and regulate the market.

He stressed the need to co-operate at international level to obtain some stability in the price of oil "which today has a decisive effect on economic activity".

The solution was to organise concerted action between oil companies, oil-producing countries and authorities in consuming countries, through the International Monetary Fund (IMF), "regulation which avoids sudden price changes" and "possible use of reserves".

"If one sticks to the law of supply and demand on this market, given the

production capacity being used, there is no shortage of oil."

He said that speculation on the price of oil was "due mainly to anticipation of uncertainty" and "On the futures market, a crisis has been anticipated."

Mr. Beregovoy said that "the economy cannot be a closed area functioning without laws" and that it was necessary to steer a passage between inflation which "leads to recession", and a braking of the economy "by a monetary policy which would be too tight" given inadequate savings throughout the world.

"Stagflation is a danger which weighs on the world economy today because of a slowing of the U.S. economy, the growing debt owed by developing countries, and the increase in the price of oil," he said.

While German unification and changes in eastern Europe were likely to boost growth in Europe "there is a real problem in the financing of recovery in East Germany," he said.

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#90277d8930 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 4) - Japan's economy can cope with oil prices of up to 40 dollars a barrel for one to two years, an energy expert with the Institute of Energy Economics (IEE) said here Thursday.

Tsutomu Toichi, chief economist of the IEE, which was set up by 160 major Japanese energy sector companies, said Japan could cope with oil at 30 dollars a barrel -- or even with the current price of about 40 dollars -- for one to two years.

"The question is how long it will continue (at that price)," Mr. Toichi told a press conference here.

He said there were three possible scenarios arising from the Gulf crisis sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait: stability, an Iraqi withdrawal or limited armed conflict.

In any of the three scenarios, oil prices will not stay at current levels for more than two years, Mr. Toichi said.

He said the effect of oil imports had fallen markedly since the first oil price rise shock in 1973 but Japanese businesses would still have to renew energy saving efforts if oil prices stayed above 30 dollars for two years.

Energy consumption had grown by 0.7 percent annually in Japan from 1973 to 1987, Mr. Toichi said, while Japan's gross national product (GNP) had increased by an average four percent a year in the same period.

The cost of oil was now less than one percent of GNP, against four percent a few years ago, he said.

Mr. Toichi said the first oil shock had made Tokyo aware of the need to save energy and to look for alternative energy sources but its conservation efforts had slackened off in recent years.

If the Gulf situation did not deteriorate, the new oil shock would be a good catalyst for Japan to look at supply problems and environmental issues, he added.

Mr. Toichi said solar energy was Japan's most promising alternative energy source, particularly next century.

Two million Japanese houses now have solar power systems.

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#90277d9050 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT. 4) - Sudan, already suffering from serious food shortages, faces poor harvests again this year because of inadequate rain, the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization (Fao) reported Thursday.

The Fao appealed for immediate pledges of emergency food aid.

Basing its report on an on-the-spot review of the crop situation, the Fao said there were already serious and increasing food supply difficulties because of last year's poor harvest. Pledges of aid for 1990 do not meet even the current need.

A substantial increase in food aid requirements in 1991 is inevitable, the Fao said. Donors are asked to make immediate emergency food aid pledges against the current unmet needs, following last year's poor harvest, and to plan for further substantial allocations and shipments in early 1991.

Despite increased plantings and government efforts to supply necessary inputs, such as fertilizer, the production of millet, mostly grown in the drought-prone western regions of Darfur and Kordofan, will be drastically reduced, the Fao said.

The harvest of sorghum is also expected to be well below average, particularly in northern Gedaref, one of the main surplus-producing areas.

A khartoum newspaper reported Thursday that more displaced persons are expected to arrive in the Sudanese capital, fleeing the drought that has hit Kordofan. Over 4,000 migrants have already arrived and are squatting in Omdurman, Khartoum's twin city.

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#90277d9160 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (OCT. 4) - Egpytian President Hosny Mubarak Thursday, in a speech broadcast live on national television and radio, accused Iraq of sending forces to Egypt to carry out acts of sabotage and create instability in the country.

Mubarak, in his speech to mark the 17th anniversary of the 1973 Arab-Israeli war, said some of the forces had already been arrested. He warned that Cairo would resolutely crack down on those who endangered the country's stability.

''Iraq has been sending forces - we have arrested them and will arrest the rest - to provoke a state of instability here, sabotage some interests, hurl some grenades and use weapons to attack buses and similar targets,'' the president said.

''They are doing this to create a state of instability in Egypt,'' he said.

He urged Palestinians to remain in Egypt ''and not listen to Iraq's incitement because if they do so they will harm themselves''.

He defended the U.S.-led multinational troop presence in Saudi Arabia, saying the country had had no other choice than to ask others for military assistance.

Mubarak said Egypt was doing everything possible to prevent the outbreak of a devastating war in the region. But a solution to the crisis could be achieved only through a withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait, he reiterated.

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#90277d9210 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (OCT 4) - A greater role for Germany in the world -- but also anxiety at the domestic problems that lie ahead -- dominated debate Thursday as parliament held its first session to chart the country's course after unification.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl, the first chancellor of a united Germany since Hitler, seized the occasion to stress that Germany expected to play a bigger role in the world but would never forget its responsibility for the past.

"We must never forget, suppress or play down the crimes committed in this century by Germans, the suffering inflicted on people and nations," he said.

"We owe it to the victims to keep alive the memory of the darkest chapter of our history. Above all, we owe this to the victims of the Holocaust, the unparalleled genocide of European (Eds:correct) Jews."

His words represented an olive branch to Jews in Germany, Israel and elsewhere who have criticised the treaty of German unification for lacking any reference to collective responsibility for the Holocaust, in which an estimated six million Jews were put to death."

The meeting, the day after unity, was steeped in symbolism.

Deputies flew from Bonn to gather at the Reichstag, the former parliament building in Berlin that has been at the centre of a stormy century.

The neo-classical edifice was set ablaze in 1933 by a mentally-disturbed Dutchman, in an plot engineered by Hitler to strengthen the Nazis' grip on power and crack down on dissent.

Twelve years later, Soviet troops hoisted the Red Flag on its shell-battered gable as they fought, street by street, into the heart of the Third Reich.

But Mr. Kohl on Thursday promised that the Federal Republic of Germany, was after 41 years, a stable democracy, rooted in the institutions of the West, that sought only to be a good neighbour and a committed European.

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#90277d9330 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (OCT. 4) - New Zealand opposition National Party leader Jim Bolger may yet be defeated in elections October 27 if the ruling Labour Party reaps a pay-off from the gamble of changing its leader.

Nominations closed here Thursday for candidates in the elections, which opinion polls have all year tipped as a National landslide. Mr. Bolger, it was said, was sleep-walking to victory.

But Labour's decision on September 4 to replace Prime Minister Geoffrey Palmer with Mike Moore has made the race a close call.

Opposition backbencher Winston Peters, National's top-polling MP in preferred prime minister polls, warned Wednesday night that his party may lose and said it may not be worth voting for.

"We know that the public has ended its affair with Labour, but does National evoke a transfer of that affection," he asked? "I think not."

Polls this week showing a closing of the gap between National -- up to 40 points ahead of Labour at one point in the last year -- were "some cause of concern" he said.

Up to 48 percent of voters were undecided in polls, Mr. Peters said, noting that in the past three elections two-thirds of the "don't knows" voted Labour.

"The latest poll results indicate that the undecided voters who supported Labour in 1987 appear to be swinging in their direction once again."

Mr. Peters could profit from his party's defeat; a second election loss in a row would see Mr. Bolger resigning, willingly or otherwise, and Mr. Peters sees himself as successor.

Policy and promises, lynchpin of normal Westminister politics, are meaningless here because the differences between the two main parties are minor.

It has developed instead into a presidential style showdown.

A Dominion newspaper TV3 Gallup poll published here Thursday showed the majority of the 500 people surveyed saw Mr. Bolger as a weak, indecisive and uninspiring leader.

Mr. Moore was seen as strong, positive and capable and able to communicate with all kinds of people.

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#90277d9420 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (OCT. 4) - Chancellor Helmut Kohl told parliament here Thursday Germany would be firmly anchored in the west and urged a sweeping modernization program in what used to be East Germany.

Giving a policy speech the day after German unity, he called on Germans to work to overcome 45 years of division.

"After the union of states, we are in many ways just at the beginning," he said. The conversion of the former eastern part of Germany into a western-style welfare state was a "task with no precedent" and could not be performed in just weeks or months.

The next few years would demonstrate the enlarged Germany was a "gain for the whole of Europe". Germany was "irrevocably" tied to the western alliance and would continue to show solidarity with the free democracies of the West, especially the United States.

Contrasting to the multipartisan harmony of unity day Wednesday, the first debate of the expanded Bundestag, with representatives seconded from the east, was marked by the give-and-take of campaigning for nationwide elections December 2.

Kohl's main challenger for the chancellorship, Oskar Lafontaine of the Social Democrats (Spd), said unity had not been accomplished until social justice prevailed in both parts of Germany.

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#90277d9450 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAHR, GERMANY (OCT. 4) - Canadian troops stationed in this southwest German town Thursday started ferrying personnel and equipment to Qatar in the Gulf region, the Canadian command announced.

Troops - 450 army members from the Lahr base and 100 from nearby Baden-Soellingen - will be flown to the Canadian Middle East base by the end of the week, a Canadian military spokesman said.

Twelve Hercules troop transports are to leave Lahr, or Canada via Lahr, as well as 18 CF-18 fighter planes of the 409th Baden-Soellingen group.

The CF-18's are to support three Canadian vessels and other allied ships on patrol in the Gulf, the spokesman said, adding that Canada has only deployed defensive naval and air forces in the Gulf.

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#90277d9460 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Durban (OCT. 4) - State President Frederik de Klerk said Thursday it was time for South Africans to put down their instruments of conflict and to speak their minds in a peaceful manner.

De Klerk was on a brief tour of black townships in the eastern Natal province, where some 4,000 people have been killed in a four-year power struggle between supporters of the Zulu Inkatha Freedom Party (Ifp) and the liberation movement the African National Congress (Anc).

He said he was disappointed that Inkatha President Mangosuthu Buthelezi would not be meeting Anc deputy President Nelson Mandela to discuss communal violence in the country.

The Zulu leader said this week he would not attend an Anc conference of black leaders Friday to discuss the violence, despite his frequent demands for a meeting with Mandela.

''There is a tremendous responsibility on all leaders and on the youth of South Africa ... to bring an end to violence and conflict which has undermined the stability and opportunities of all South Africans,'' De Klerk said.

His visit was well received by the black community, as was a similar tour of Soweto, the black city outside Johannesburg, last month.

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#90277d9760 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO (OCT. 4) - The Norwegian government on Thursday joined the European trend of cutting defense spending, citing the reduced military threat from the Soviet Union.

The budget proposal for 1991 put forward Thursday by the coalition government called for virtually zero growth on defense, representing a cutback in real terms for the first time since World War II.

Next year's defense budget totals 22.4 billion kroner (3.7 billion dollars), a nominal increase of 527 million kroner (87 million dollars) but a cutback in real terms as it does not even cover inflation.

In recent years the Norwegian armed forces have grown accustomed to a real growth of three to 3.5 percent, the official NATO goal.

At the same time it made it clear that it considered environmental issues a priority, increasing taxes on petrol by 25 percent.

It also warned that taxes on consumer goods would be increased by more than the rate of inflation.

Alcohol is to go up by nine percent, tobacco 11 percent and milk 10 per cent.

Families with children under three years of age will receive a one-off allocation of 10,000 kroner (1,660 dollars) a child, a promise made by the Christian People's Party, one of the coaliton partners, during the last election campaign.

But most families will have to pay higher kindergarten fees next year.

The budget set state spending for 1991 at 403 billion kroner (67 billion dollars), with a budget deficit of 47.7 billion (7.95 billion dollars).

Taxes on personal income were down by 2.6 billion kroner (433 million dollars) but this will be offset by an increase in state tariffs and taxes of 2.4 billion (400 million dollars).

Finance Minister Arne Skauge, presenting the budget, said that the unemployment rate, currently at five percent, would fall next year while inflation would remain at four percent.

But he stressed that Norwegian wage levels would have to be brought closer to those of competing countries if the number of jobless were to be reduced.

Wagest in Norwegian industry are currently some 20 percent higher than in competing countries, Mr. Skauge said.

The budget, the first from the government of Prime Minister Jan P. Syse which took office a year ago, contained no major surprises but included concessions to all three parties in the center-right coalition.

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#90277d9780 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 4) - France is to send light weapons and ammunition to the beleaguered Rwandan government "in the next few hours" in response to an official Rwandan request, authoritative sources said here Thursday.

The sources said that rebels from neighboring Uganda, who were within 70 kilometres (43 miles) of the Rwandan capital Kigali, had not made further headway Thursday.

A riposte by government forces caused heavy losses among the rebels, according to the sources.

The east central African state and Paris are linked by a technical military cooperation accord, providing for personnel training in Rwanda, but no defense agreement has been signed.

About 200 French nationals live in Rwanda, a former Belgian colony.

Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana stopped in Paris and held airport talks with a ranking official from the French Cooperation Ministry during a stopover on his way from the United States to Belgium after Tuesday's insurgency, informed French sources said.

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#90277d9800 10/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (OCT. 4) - Kuwait's government in exile was cleared Thursday to take a nearly 11 per cent stake in the Singapore Petroleum Company (SPC) but lost a bid to take more than twice that level of holding.

SPC said in a statement that the London-based Kuwait Investment Office (KIO), the investment arm of the exiled government, had applied to buy an entire 80 million share issue but would be able to buy only 33.95 million.

SPC, which is 28.4 percent owned by the government-owned DBS Bank, said its public subscription offer of last month was over-subscribed by 1.6 times when the offer closed Wednesday.

It said a total of 7,904 local applicants and 418 foreign applicants applied for shares.

SPC issued 80 million shares on September 17 with a par value of 50 Singapore

cents (18 U.S.) at 1.25 dollars (71 U.S. cents) each, as part of its plan to construct an oil terminal on the island of Pulau Sebrok.

The issue represented 25 percent of SPC's enlarged capital. The portion alloted to the KIO, still conducting business after the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, represented 10.6 percent.

Earlier SPC President and Chief Executive Cheng Hong Kok confirmed that KIO had applied for 80 million shares worth 100 million Singapore dollars (57 million U.S.).

SPC is principally engaged in oil refining, marketing distribution, trade of crude and petroleum products, third party processing and tanker transportation.

Besides the DBS, other shareholders in SPC are the local firm Oceanic Petroleum (Asia) and the rest by Japan's C. Itoh trading group.

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#90277e0005 10/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MASSY-PALESEAU, FRANCE (OCT. 4) EFE - Two people died and nearly 50 were buried Thursday after an explosion destroyed an apartment building in a town 12 km south of Paris, police said.

Firefighters said the blast, which destroyed the top floors of the five-story building in Massy-Paleseau, appeared to have been caused by a faulty gas line.

The building collapsed following the explosion at 6:00 a.m. (0500 GMT) and rescue workers believed some 50 people were trapped under the rubble.

Some 100 rescue workers using special equipment were trying to remove the trapped victims.

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#90277e0009 10/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Seoul (OCT. 4) EFE - South Korean Foreign Minister Choi Ho-joong Thursday said his country was seeking to establish diplomatic ties with China by the end of 1991.

Ho-joong told the Seoul-based news agency Yonhap that China, a long time ally of North Korea, was delaying the process and has so far only agreed to opening joint trade offices.

"We strongly want to normalize our relations with China without having to take the first step of exchanging commercial offices, but everyone knows that it takes two to have diplomatic negotiations," the minister said.

South Korean press said the two countries would announce the opening of the trade offices, which are to also act as consulates, by mid-October.

But Beijing has maintained its support for North Korea, which observers said explains China's timid moves to recognize South Korea.

South Korea does not even exist as a political entity on official Chinese maps they said.

Korea was divided after World War II with communist China supporting the north and the United States the south.

China sent troops to North Korea in the 1950-53 war with U.S.-backed South Korea.

Last week South Korea established full diplomatic ties with the Soviet Union, another long-time ally of North Korea, in a move South Korean President Roh Tae Woo said signaled the beginning of the end of his country's cold war with the north.

In what is being considered a milestone in unification efforts, the foreign ministers of both Koreas are due to meet this month for the second time since August.

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#90277e0013 10/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Moscow (OCT. 4) EFE - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev Thursday said he believes war will not break out in the Gulf, despite the massive military build-up seeking to force an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Gorbachev made the comment as he was about to begin talks with the Deputy Premier of the Sultanate of Oman, Qais Abdel Munin al-Zawawi, who was in Moscow to discuss the Gulf crisis as well as other regional and bilateral issues.

Asked by a reporter if the Soviet Union was planning to send troops to join the multinational forces in the Gulf, the Soviet president replied "I think there are enough troops there as it is."

While strongly supporting the economic sanctions imposed following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, the Soviet government has said it would join the build-up only if the troops involved were put under the command of the United Nations.

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#90277e0018 10/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Athens (OCT. 4) EFE - Three stays in hospital intensive care units over the

past two years is not about to force Socialist opposition leader and former Greek premier Andreas Papandreou to consider retiring from politics, his wife has said.

Doctors, meanwhile, reported Thursday the 71-year-old veteran of Greek politics was recovering from a lung infection that sent him to hospital Tuesday after he took part in a parliamentary shouting match over the state of the economy.

Papandreou's 36-year-old wife, Demetria, said Wednesday, "Anyone who's dreaming that this means retirement better forget it. Andreas is a political being, it is his entire life, and there is simply no chance he will retire."

The leader of the Pan-Hellenic Socialist Movement (PASOK), Papandreou served as Greek Prime Minister from 1981 to 1989.

In 1988 he underwent open heart surgery in London and the following year was hospitalized with a life-threatening lung infection.

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#90277e0031 10/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (OCT. 4) EFE - Share prices on the Madrid stock exchange declined Thursday, as the general index lost 3.23 points to close at 219.34.

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#90277e0034 10/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Baghdad (OCT. 4) EFE - A team of five Spaniards led by an opposition deputy arrived Thursday in the Iraqi capital in a bid to negotiate the release of 15 of their remaining countrymen still being held in Iraq.

"Ours is a peace mission, we want to avoid war, and get out whoever we can," Deputy Cristina Almeida, of the United Left coalition, said on arriving in Baghdad aboard an Iraqi Airways flight from Jordan.

The team, invited by the Iraqi authorities, was made up of Gustavo Villapalos, the rector of Madrid's Complutense University, lawyer Ignacio Montejo, and two members of the Spanish Human Rights Association, Eugenio Sanchez and Facet Saka, who is of Palestinian origin.

Among the 15 Spaniards prevented from leaving Iraq is Juan Jose Buitrago, until last week Spain's charge d'affaires in Kuwait.

The 15 are living in Spanish diplomats' residences in Baghdad.

Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez's Socialist government has sent three warships to join the multinational force in the Gulf region to enforce a U.N. embargo

against Iraq.

On Wednesday, 174 Brazilians left Iraq after lengthy negotiations by Brazil's ambassador to Britain.

Three weeks ago an Italian deputy negotiated the release of 10 hostages.

European diplomats in Baghdad estimate there are still some 14,000 foreigners unable to leave Iraq.

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#90277e0036 10/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BRASILIA (OCT. 4) EFE - More than 170 Brazilians caught in Iraq after Baghdad's August 2 invasion of Kuwait arrived home Thursday on an Iraqi Airways jet.

The 174 Brazilians, many of whom were waving national flags and cheering, were greeted at the airport by Foreign Minister Francisco Rezek.

Their release had been secured by Brazilian Ambassador to London and former deputy foreign minister Paulo Tarso Flecha de Lima, who remains in Baghdad.

Another 82 Brazilians, who worked for the Mendes Junior construction company, are still caught in Iraq.

Of the 174 who arrived Thursday, 120 worked for Mendes Junior, 18 for the Volkswagen car company and 14 for the Maxion agricultural machinery firm.

The remaining 22 were ballistic experts who were working on military projects for the Baghdad government.

Doctors were standing by at the airport to attend one of the passengers on the flight who was in a late stage of pregnancy.

A Brazilian press report has claimed that the Iraqi airways jet will return to Baghdad carrying food supplies.

Iraqi officials in Baghdad have denied the report, while the Brazilian government has refused to confirm or deny it.

The report claimed that the food supplies would be used to secure the release of the Brazilians remaining in Iraq.

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#90277e0039 10/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (OCT 4) EFE - A Spanish court Thursday acquitted a television

presenter who was accused of blaspemhy after screening a music video which depicted a crucified Christ with a pig's head.

The private case was brought against presenter Paloma Chamorro who introduced the video clip on a program she produced and directed for Spain's state television TV2 channel in October 1984.

Chamorro, who faced up to four years in jail and a fine of dlrs 7,500 if convicted, had warned viewers that the video by the British musical group Moon Child could be offensive.

The court in Madrid ruled that the video should be regarded as "an artistic composition" even if it was of dubious taste and ordered lawyer Juan Rui Izquierdo, who had filed the suit, to pay costs.

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#90277f2075 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Thursday 358.99 off 2.02.

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#90277h0106 10/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (OCT. 4) XINHUA - THE TRADE BETWEEN HONG KONG AND THE UNITED STATES IN THE FIRST HALF OF 1990 TOTALLED 7.932 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS, A FOUR PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

U.S. EXPORTS TO HONG KONG ROSE BY 10 PERCENT TO 3.624 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS WHILE ITS IMPORTS GREW LESS THAN ONE PERCENT TO 4.307 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST STATISTICS RELEASED BY THE AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL HERE.

THE FIGURES SHOW THAT THE U.S. TRADE DEFICIT WITH HONG KONG IN THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THIS YEAR WAS 682 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, WHICH REPRESENTED A 32 PERCENT DROP OVER THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

U.S. AIRCRAFT EXPORTS TO HONG KONG GREW BY 123 PERCENT TO 380 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS. ITS EXPORTS OF INTEGRATED CIRCUITS AND TOBACCO ALSO RECORDED STRONG GROWTH OF 36 AND 35 PERCENT RESPECTIVELY.

HOWEVER, THREE EXPORT CATEGORIES -- ALUMINUM, INORGANIC CHEMICALS AND TYPEWRITER PARTS -- EXHIBITED SIGNIFICANT DECLINES.

U.S. IMPORTS OF INTEGRATED CIRCUITS, TRANSMISSION APPARATUS FOR RADIOTELEPHONY AND TEXTILE YARNS AND FABRICS REGISTERED ABOUT 20 PERCENT INCREASES.

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#90277h0127 10/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TIRANA (OCT. 4) XINHUA - ALBANIAN VICE FOREIGN MINISTER SOKRAT PLAKA MET WITH HIS VISITING ITALIAN COUNTERPART IVO BUTINI HERE TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY ON AN "ADRIATIC INITIATIVE" FOR PROMOTING COOPERATION IN THE REGION, ACCORDING TO THE STATE NEWS AGENCY ATA.

AN ECOLOGICAL PROTECTION PROJECT CONCLUDED LAST YEAR BETWEEN ITALY AND YUGOSLAVIA, THE INITIATIVE ALSO INCLUDES REGIONAL COOPERATION IN TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND TOURISM. ALBANIA JOINED THE PROJECT EARLY THIS YEAR, ATA SAID.

WHILE AFFIRMING THE PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTING THE INITIATIVE, THE TWO DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTERS STRESSED, AMONG OTHERS, JOINT EFFORTS TO DEVELOP FISHERY AND TRADE.

ALBANIAN PREMIER ADIL CARCANI AND FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER SHANE KORBECI MET WITH BUTINI SEPARATELY DURING HIS TWO-DAY VISIT. CARCANI REITERATED ALBANIA'S READINESS TO JOIN THE COUNCIL ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE.

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#90277h0150 10/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (OCT. 4) XINHUA - A NEW 100,000-STRONG NON- RACIAL TEACHERS UNION WILL BE LAUNCHED IN SOUTH AFRICA ON SATUR- DAY TO PUSH FOR A QUICK END TO APARTHEID IN THE COUNTRY.

THE "SOWETAN" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA SAID TODAY THAT THE NEW UNION, THE SOUTH AFRICAN DEMOCRATIC TEACHERS UNION (SADTU), WILL EMBRACE TEACHERS' ORGANIZATIONS WITH DIFFERENT POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS.

DEPUTY PRESIDENT OF THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC) MR. NELSON MANDELA WILL DELIVER A KEYNOTE ADDRESS TO MORE THAN 1,500 DELEGATES REPRESENTING MORE THAN 20 TEACHERS' ORGANIZA- TIONS FROM THROUGHOUT SOUTH AFRICA ON SATURDAY.

MR. JAY NAIDOO, GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE CONGRESS OF SOUTH AFRICAN TRADE UNIONS (COSATU), SAID AT A PRESS CONFERENCE IN JOHANNESBURG YESTERDAY THAT THE LAUNCHING OF SADTU WILL BE WIT- NESSED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MASS DEMCRATIC MOVEMENT, THE PAN AFRICANIST CONGRESS (PAC) AND THE AZANIAN PEOPLES ORGANI- ZATION.

ADDRESSING THE PRESS CONFERENCE, PRESIDENT-ELECT OF SADTU, MR. SHEPHERD MDLADLANI, SAID THE NEW UMBRELLA BODY WILL TRY TO ERADICATE APARTHEID AND STRIVE TOWARDS A FREE, NON-RACIAL, NON-SEXIST, COMPULSORY AND DEMOCRATIC EDUCATION SYSTEM.

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#90277h0165 10/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LHASA (OCT. 4) XINHUA - RUINS OF THE NEW STONE AGE HAVE RECENTLY BEEN UNEARTHED IN THE SUBURB OF LHASA, CAPITAL OF TIBET AUTONOMOUS REGION IN SOUTHWEST CHINA.

THE RUINS, WHICH COVER 10,000 SQ M AT AN ALTITUDE OF 3,690 M ABOVE SEA LEVEL, ARE BELIEVED TO DATE BACK 4,000 TO 5,000 YEARS.

MORE THAN 10,000 PIECES OF ARTIFACTS INCLUDING POTTERY AND BONE OBJECTS AND STONE INSTRUMENTS WERE UNEARTHED FROM THE 36 TOMBS AT THE RUINS.

THE RUINS ALSO COUNTAIN DOZONS OF ASH PITS, FROM WHICH A GREAT QUANTITY OF STONE INSTRUMENTS, POTTERY OBJECTS AND ANIMAL BONES WERE EXCAVATED.

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#90277j0001 10/04/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)
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South Africa Now (PBS) October 3, 1990 (Transcript #30)

Who is the ''hidden hand'' behind the violence in South Africa?; Winnie Mandela charged with murder; ANC charges South African ''Iron Fist'' policy hinders organizational progress and violates peace process; protesters march outside U.N. in New York to demand end to CIA-backed war in Angola; the Visisizwe Players, producers and stars of South African play, You Strike a Woman, You Strike a Rock.

Nightline (ABC) October 3, 1990 (Transcript #2443)

Nightline's Persian Gulf War Game: Col. Harry Summers (Ret.) and Maj. James Blackwell (Ret.) critically evaluate two scenarios of the Persian Gulf crisis created by Austin Bay and Jim Dunnigan, authors of Arabian Nightmare.

Moneyline (CNN) October 3, 1990 (Transcript #197)

Saddam Hussein made his first known visit to Kuwait since his invasion, causing a rally in oil markets; some key House Republicans are bucking the

budget deal; some big companies may be able to reap huge benefits as a result of the budget; two fighter plane makers are ready to shoot it out over which will win the last major new weapons contract of this century; the Supreme Court today began considering a case that will decide whether business can be forced to pay huge awards in some lawsuits.

Crossfire (CNN) October 3, 1990 (Transcript #153)

The Patient, the Dentist and AIDS: AIDS patient Kimberly Bergalis, oral diagnostician Dr. William Bottomley and Dr. Sanford Kuvin of the Foundation for Infectious Diseases discuss Bergalis' alleged AIDS infection from her dentist and whether greater precautions must be taken to prevent doctor-patient AIDS transmission.

Larry King Live (CNN) October 3, 1990 (Transcript #142) ''Should Mercenaries Fight in the Gulf Conflict?'' (soldier- for-hire Robert Mackenzie and Bob Brown, editor of Soldier of Fortune, discuss the use of mercenaries to fight in American wars); ''Agents of Influence: Is Washington for Sale?'' (Pat Choate, author of Agents of Influence, and former DNC Chairman Charles Manatt debate the use of influence and unlimited funds by foreign countries, especially Japan, to lobby Congress); ''Jackie Collins'' (the author discusses her latest book, Lady Bosses).

Good Morning America (ABC) October 3, 1990 (Transcript #1123)

The new united Germany; women in the locker room; unification problems; Pacific Heights review; Van Cliburn interview; views of German unification; Ronnie Spector interview; the healthy gourmet (Jane Brody); fussy babies; Danny Glover interview.

Oprah Winfrey Show October 3, 1990 (Transcript #1058)

Petrified to Get a Divorce: Women who are terrified of leaving an abusive relationship because they fear their husband would kill them or kidnap their children discuss what they can do with Jacques Taylor, director of the Family Violence and Sexual Assault Center in Wyoming.

Thursday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Husband Has Wife Arrested for Adultery Sally Jessy Raphael: I Put My Father Away for Killing My Mother Geraldo: Americans in Gas Masks Oprah Winfrey: Fred Savage

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#90277k0066 10/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 4) KYODO - NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. (NTT) SAID THURSDAY IT IS OFFERING AN 11-YEAR STRAIGHT BOND TO RAISE 50 BILLION YEN, THE FIRST OFFERING OF SUCH A DEBT IN FIVE MONTHS.

WITH A 7.8 PERCENT COUPON, THE BOND WILL BE SOLD AT 101 YEN AGAINST THE FACE VALUE OF 100 YEN EACH WITH PAYMENTS DUE FOR OCTOBER 8, YIELDING 7.632 PERCENT TO SUBSCRIBERS, NTT SAID.

THE COUPON IS THE HIGHEST SINCE THE FIRST AND SECOND ISSUES OF NTT BONDS ISSUED IN APRIL AND MAY 1985, WHICH WERE FLOATED WITH A 7.0 PERCENT COUPON.

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#90277k0069 10/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 4) KYODO - ALPS ELECTRIC CO., AN ELECTRONIC PARTS MAKER, SAID THURSDAY IT WILL SET UP A FIRM IN SCOTLAND FOR THE MANUFACTURE AND MARKETING OF TUNERS TO BE USED IN TELEVISION AND VIDEOTAPE RECORDERS.

THE MOVE IS IN RESPONSE TO A GROWING DEMAND IN EUROPE, OFFICIALS SAID. THE NEW FIRM, ALPS ELECTRIC (SCOTLAND) LTD., IS TO BE SET UP IN ARBROATH, SCOTLAND, AND WILL START BUSINESS NEXT APRIL WITH A STAFF OF 200.

THE BRITISH SUBSIDIARY, ALPS ELECTRIC (UK), WILL INVEST FULLY IN THE VENTURE, TO BE CAPITALIZED AT 200,000 POUNDS.

OFFICIALS ESTIMATED THE INITIAL YEAR'S SALES AT 2 BILLION YEN.

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#90277k0078 10/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 4) KYODO - SALES OF IMPORTED CARS, TRUCKS, AND BUSES IN JAPAN IN SEPTEMBER INCHED UP 1.3 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 18,751 VEHICLES, POSTING A RECORD HIGH FOR THE MONTH, THE JAPAN AUTOMOBILE IMPORTERS' ASSOCIATION SAID THURSDAY.

THE INCREASE WAS THE LOWEST SINCE DECEMBER, 1983, WHEN SALES DROPPED BY 7.4 PERCENT.

AN IMPORTERS' UNION BLAMED THE ANEMIC GROWTH ON A SHORT SUPPLY OF WEST GERMAN

LUXURY MODELS AS A NUMBER OF GERMAN AUTOMAKERS HAVE MOVED TO INTRODUCE THEIR NEW MODELS THIS FALL.

BRISK SALES OF FOREIGN CARS IN RECENT YEARS WERE DUE LARGELY TO THE COUNTRY'S INCLINATION FOR WEST GERMAN CARS, THEY SAID.

BUT ANALYSTS SAID THE SLUGGISH GROWTH IN SALES OF IMPORTED CARS CAST DOUBT ON THE INDUSTRY'S FUTURE SINCE OVERALL CAR SALES FOR THE MONTH ONLY ROSE BY A VERY SMALL MARGIN AS WELL. OVERALL CAR SALES INCHED UP 0.3 PERCENT.

SALES OF CARS WITH ENGINE DISPLACEMENTS OF 2000 CC OR ABOVE ROSE 1.3 PERCENT TO 18,591 VEHICLES.

SALES OF SMALLER VEHICLES WITH 651-2000 CC ENGINE SIZE EDGED DOWN 0.2 PERCENT TO 10,187.

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#90277k0087 10/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 4) KYODO - THE NATIONAL FLAG CARRIER GARUDA INDONESIAN AIRWAYS WILL OPEN A JAKARTA-BEIJING ROUTE BEFORE APRIL 1991, A GARUDA SPOKESMAN SAID THURSDAY.

THERE WILL BE TWO FLIGHTS TO BEIJING DAILY WITH A STOPOVER IN GUANGZHOU, SOUTHERN CHINA, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

BILATERAL AIR AGREEMENT TALKS BETWEEN CHINA AND INDONESIA HAD BEEN COMPLETED, AND WILL BE RATIFIED BY EACH GOVERNMENT.

THE OPENING OF FLIGHTS FOLLOWS THE RESUMPTION OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN INDONESIA AND CHINA ON AUGUST 8 AFTER A 23-YEAR BREAK.

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#90277k0090 10/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 4) KYODO - EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC) TRADE NEGOTIATORS WILL LIKELY AGAIN PICK UP LEATHER SHOES AS THEIR PRIMARY TARGET FOR IMPROVED ACCESS TO THE JAPANESE MARKET AT THE SECOND ROUND OF WORKING-LEVEL TALKS WITH JAPAN NEXT WEEK, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SAID.

THE TWO-DAY MEETING BEGINS IN BRUSSELS IN OCTOBER 11. IN THEIR FIRST SUCH TALKS HELD IN TOKYO LAST JULY, EC OFFICIALS PRESSED JAPAN TO INCREASE IMPORT QUOTAS ON LEATHER SHOES, CHEESE, AND OTHER PROCESSED GOODS.

THE JAPANESE SIDE IS GOING TO ASK THE EC DELEGATION TO DISMANTLE DUMPING DUTIES ON JAPANESE-MADE OFFICE EQUIPMENT LEVIED BY EC MEMBER NATIONS, THEY SAID.

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#90277k0094 10/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 4) KYODO - MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO. AND MITSUBISHI CORP. JOINTLY SAID THURSDAY THEY HAVE ESTABLISHED A SUBSIDIARY IN WARSAW, POLAND, TO MANAGE AFTER-SALE SERVICES FOR MATSUSHITA'S CONSUMER ELECTRIC PRODUCTS.

THE MOVE WAS A RESPONSE TO GROWING DEMAND FOR OFFICE AUTOMATION EQUIPMENT IN EASTERN EUROPE, WHERE COUNTRIES ARE STRIVING TO TRANSFORM CENTRALLY CONTROLLED ECONOMIES INTO MARKET-ORIENTED ONES, OFFICIALS OF BOTH COMPANIES SAID.

MC SERVICE CENTER CO. WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 3.3 BILLION GROSZY (ABOUT 50 MILLION YEN) AND IS TO BE FULLY OWNED BY MITSUBISHI CORP., THE GIANT JAPANESE TRADING HOUSE.

EXPORTS OF JAPANESE CONSUMER ELECTRONICS TO POLAND IS ESTIMATED TO TOP 20 BILLION YEN IN 1990, COMPARED WITH ABOUT 11 BILLION YEN LAST YEAR.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THEY HAVE BEEN EXPORTING MATSUSHITA'S CONSUMER ELECTRIC PRODUCTS TO POLAND SINCE 1984, WITH A LOCAL UNIT PROVIDING AFTER-SALE SERVICES.

SONY CORP., CANON INC., AND OTHER JAPANESE CONSUMER ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS MAKERS ARE INTENT ON ESTABLISHING SALES NETWORKS IN EAST EUROPEAN NATIONS.

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#90277k0097 10/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
JAKARTA (OCT. 4) KYODO - INDONESIA'S SECOND-LARGEST PRIVATE BANK, BANK DUTA, REPORTED THURSDAY A 419.6 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR LOSS IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE DEALINGS BETWEEN 1988 AND MID-1990.

THE BANK'S FORMER VICE PRESIDENT, DICKY ISKANDAR DINATA, IS BEING HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LOSS AND IS CURRENTLY IN CUSTODY BY ORDER OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL. THE CRISIS HAS RAISED DOUBTS, HOWEVER, ABOUT THE SUPERVISORY ROLE OF INDONESIA'S CENTRAL BANK.

THE FIGURE WAS ABOVE THE ALLEGED LOSS OF 313 MILLION DOLLARS. THE MAJOR BANK DUTA SHAREHOLDERS ARE THREE SOCIAL FOUNDATIONS CHAIRED BY PRESIDENT SUHARTO - THE DHARMAIS, SUPERSEMAR, AND DAKAB FOUNDATIONS - WHICH OWNED 72.4 PERCENT OF THE BANK. THE REST OF THE SHARES ARE OWNED BY COMPANIES UNDER THE NATIONAL LOGISTIC BODY HEADED BY BUSTANIL ARIFIN, ALSO A FORMER BANK DUTA COMMISSIONER.

TO PROTECT THE INTERESTS OF DEPOSITORS, EMPLOYEES, AND SHAREHOLDERS, THE LOSS HAS BEEN REPLACED IN THE FORM OF PURE AID BY THE MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS, THE BANK SAID.

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#90277k0099 10/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 4) KYODO - JAPAN SYNTHETIC RUBBER CO., NIPPON ZEON CO., AND OTHER RUBBER MAKERS DECIDED THURSDAY TO RAISE THE PRICES OF SYNTHETIC RUBBER AND HAVE ENTERED INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH LEADING USERS OF THE PRODUCT, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE FIRMS WILL RAISE THE PRICE OF NOVEMBER SHIPMENTS BY 5-10 PERCENT IN REACTION TO THE UPSURGE IN THE PRICE OF NAPHTHA, THEY SAID.

THEY HOPE TO RAISE THE PRICE OF STYRENE-BUTADIENE RUBBER, THE PRIME INGREDIENT FOR THE PRODUCTION OF TIRES, WHICH NOW COSTS ABOUT 300-400 YEN PER KILOGRAM, BY 20-24 YEN, THEY SAID.

THEY SAID THEY WILL HIKE THE PRICE OF POLYBUTADIENE RUBBER, WHICH NOW COSTS 300-400 YEN PER KILOGRAM, BY 20-22 YEN AND THAT FOR EP RUBBER, WHICH NOW COSTS 500-600 YEN, BY 31 YEN.

A SPOKESMAN FOR BRIDGESTONE CORP., THE LARGEST MANUFACTURER OF RUBBER PRODUCTS SAID IT CANNOT EASILY RAISE ITS PRICES GIVEN THE INTENSE SALES COMPETITION.

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#90277k0104 10/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 4) KYODO - JAPAN ON WEDNESDAY REASSERTED ITS STRONG SUPPORT FOR PHILIPPINE PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO IN THE WAKE THE LATEST MILITARY REBELLION AGAINST HER GOVERNMENT.

"JAPAN HAS LONG EXTENDED ITS STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE EFFORTS AT DEMOCRATIZATION AND ECONOMIC RECONSTRUCTION BEING CARRIED OUT UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF PRESIDENT AQUINO," THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTRY SAID IN A STATEMENT.

THE MINISTRY SAID JAPAN CONSIDERS THE PHILIPPINES "AN IMPORTANT AND FRIENDLY COUNTRY" WHOSE PEACE AND STABILITY IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE PEACE AND STABILITY IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION AS A WHOLE.

REBEL PHILIPPINE SOLDIERS ON MINDANAO IN SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES MUTINIED AND DECLARED THE FORMATION OF AN INDEPENDENT GOVERNMENT.

THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTRY SAID THE MUTINY WAS AN "UNFORGIVABLE" CHALLEGE TO A DEMOCRATICALLY ELECTED GOVERNMENT.

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#90277k0110 10/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 4) KYODO - TEIJIN LTD., A MAJOR SYNTHETIC FIBER MAKER, HAS STARTED POLYESTER FIBER PRICE BOOST TALKS WITH KNITWEAR MAKERS AND OTHER USERS

COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID THURSDAY.

POLYESTER FIBER PRICES RANGE FROM SEVERAL HUNDRED YEN TO MORE THAN 1,000 YEN PER KILOGRAM.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE PRICE RISE WOULD BE 10 TO 20 YEN PER KILOGRAM FOR SUPPLIES IN THE OCTOBER-DECEMBER PERIOD. THEY SAID THEY WOULD LIKE A SIMILAR PRICE INCREASE FOR SUPPLIES IN THE JANUARY-MARCH PERIOD OF 1991. THE PRICE RISE HAS BEEN NECESSITATED BY HIGHER RAW MATERIAL AND FUEL COSTS.

MITSUBISHI RAYON CO. SAID NEGOTIATIONS HAVE JUST GOT UNDER WAY WITH CLIENTS FOR A RISE IN THE PRICES OF ACRYLIC FILAMENT AND SOME OTHER PRODUCTS.

TORAY INDUSTRIES INC. IS ALSO EXPECTED SHORTLY TO START POLYESTER FIBER PRICE BOOST TALKS WITH CLIENTS, INCLUDING KNITWEAR MAKERS.

THE PRICE RISE WILL NOT AFFECT THE RETAIL PRICES OF 1990 FALL AND WINTER GARMENTS BUT IT MAY RAISE THE PRICES OF CLOTHING FOR SALE IN L99L AND BEYOND, TEIJIN SAID.

SYNTHETIC FIBER MAKERS SAID THE PRICE OF NAPHTHA WILL RISE BY AN AVERAGE 10,000 YEN TO 32,500 YEN PER KILOLITER FROM OCTOBER, AND THAT BECAUSE OF HIGHER NAPHTHA PRICES, ETHYLENE MAKERS HAVE DECIDED ON A PRICE INCREASE OF 25 YEN PER KILOGRAM.

THIS WILL PUSH THE PRICES OF ETHYLENE GLYCOL AND XYLENE HIGHER. THESE ARE BOTH RAW MATERIALS FOR MAN-MADE FIBERS.

THE JAPAN CHEMICAL FIBERS ASSOCIATION ESTIMATED THAT THE INDUSTRY'S COSTS WOULD INCREASE BY 47 BILLION YEN IN A YEAR IF THE PRICES OF CRUDE OIL AND NAPHTHA RISE BY 10,000 PER KILOLITER.

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#90277m0001 10/04/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT 4) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

World stocks are lower with the Nikkei off 571 points and the FTSE down 16 points at midday in London. ... Bonds are unchanged with the long yield at 8.85%. ... The dollar is mixed. ... North Sea crude is down 25 cents to $36.10. ... Factory orders rose 1.8% in August largely reflecting higher prices for petroleum products. September. ... Stock mutual funds posted an average 15.52% negative return for the third quarter, their worst since 1987. ... McCAW CELLULAR gives a $250 million equipment order to ERICSSON GE at the

expense of dominant cellular manufacturers MOTOROLA and AT&T. ... FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES and ALLIED STORES have unveiled a business plan that projects operating earnings to more than double over the next six years.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

SEN. JOHN CHAFEE (REP. - R.I.) is scheduled to speak at 12:30 EDT. on tax policy and American competitiveness at a conference on U.S. Foreign Tax Policy. ... House- Senate Farm Bill conferees meet this afternoon. ... NYNEX may be forced by regulators to divest itself of New York Telephone after an investigation revealed overcharges and other purported abuses. ... CESSNA has announced plans for a new model, called the CITATION X, that will fly at Mach 0.9, meaning it could travel between New York and L.A. in about four hours. It will also carry a hefty $11.85 million price tag.

FROM THE BULLS:

"There is a significant amount of resistance .. at around the 2550 area [but] I am reasonably comfortable with the idea that that level will be taken out on further upside probes and that, to me, would indicate a follow through up to the 2650 to 2680 area," says WALTER MURPHY of MERRILL LYNCH. "At that point it gets a little bit more difficult. I have my doubts that it will meaningfully break that level." Moreover, he sees the predicted rally as being short-lived." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/3)

"The markets are still focused on the Middle East rather than Washington," says BRIAN FABBRI of MIDLAND MONTAGU. He says once Congress passes the budget agreement, and assuming the employment numbers "are not total disasters, which I don't think they will be," the Fed will ease interest rates, boosting the stock market. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/3)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I expect this rally to end with a steep drop that will trap a lot of bulls," says BERT DOHMEN of WELLINGTON MANAGEMENT. Dohmen says, "there just isn't enough money to go around," explaining that even if the Fed eases the

expected 0.25%, "that's like throwing a bucket of water on a burning warehouse." ("Investor's Daily", 10/4)

"It's a bear market in a deteriorating economy," says MORRIS SMITH, head of the FIDELITY MAGELLAN fund. "It's happened many times in past cycles and will happen in the future. On the other hand, I'm very concerned about the credit crisis. Banks worldwide have stopped lending and there's a lot of debt out there that will need to be extended." ("USA Today", 10/4)

"I'm finding more bargain stocks, but only on days when the stock market is weak," says MICHAEL PRICE, manager of MUTUAL SHARES. "The stock market could

easily go down 10% -- or possibly 20%." ("USA Today", 10/4)

"We're still thinking we haven't yet seen the bottom of the equity averages," says the very bearish STANLEY SALVIGSEN, chief executive of COMSTOCK PARTNERS which manages the $679 million DREYFUS CAPITAL VALUE FUND. Mr. Salvigsen finds it "pretty scary" that "the market is down 400 or 500 points, and there's nothing out there that's a grabber." He adds, "I've been pretty negative on the U.S. stock market, so we are net short in that account." (WSJ and NYT, 10/4)

There's a lack of liquidity to the market, says STAN WEINSTEIN of the "Professional Tape Reader," who considers that a very bearish signal. It's no time to be a hero, says Weinstein: "This global bear market should still be respected and treated with caution." (CNBC "World Business", 10/4)

Stocks are likely to stage a rally which will convince the majority that the market has seen the worst, says ROBERT PRECHTER of the "Elliott Wave Theorist." This could set stocks up for a crash, he warns. Prechter says the market has not reached a major bottom because there is "monstrous complacency among market participants." (CNBC "World Business", 10/4)

STOCK MARKET:

"A lot of people are very worried," says JOSEPH McALINDEN, director of research at DILLON READ, as stock prices caved into pressures of rising oil prices yesterday afternoon frustrating investors who had hoped for a rally. He believes that stock prices are likely to churn in a broad range for a few weeks until the budget is ratified by Congress, but then they will break out on the upside. (WSJ, 10/4)

"The market will begin to do better, if not this week, then next week," predicts SHEARSON's NEWTON ZINDER. Zinder believes any up move will be a bear market rally: "But I think the rally, while it may be sporadic, may surprise people by how long it lasts and perhaps how far it goes." Zinder says the rally will convince people to turn bullish again. "Then we'll have another sinking spell, either late this year or early next year." (FNN "World Business Update", 10/4)

"Everybody's sort of sitting on the fence," says EARL HADADY of "The Bullish Consensus." He says his bullish/bearish numbers are only showing "people are indecisive." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/3)

"I feel there could be more to go with this rally," says PETER RAIMONDI of the COLONY GROUP. He says we may move up another 50 to 100 point, "but that would be the maximum barring any change in the Middle East." Longer- term, he foresees a decline to 2250. "From a broad market prospective, I don't think it will be easy to make money." ("Investor's Daily", 10/4)

"It's still a jittery market," says NELSON GOLD, senior vice president for OTC trading at INTERSTATE-JOHNSON LANE. Citing the tenuous federal budget agreement, possible disappointing third quarter earnings and the Middle East tensions, Gold says, "You can make a good case why nobody wants to go in the middle of the street and play in traffic." (WSJ, 10/4)

"At this point I think a lot of people are prepared to wait and see what happens to the budget package," says JIM IRWIN at YAMAICHI INTERNATIONAL. "But there's no question that this week the big money managers have been in control of the market, more so than at any time in recent weeks." ("The Washington Post" 10/4)

"The market came out of a good rally; now you're back to the same condition [as] before the rally," says KENNETH DUCEY, senior vice president in the trading department at S.G. WARBURG & COMPANY. "It looks like the buying power's dried up." (NYT, 10/4)

RICHARD EAKLE, president of EAKLE ASSOCIATES, says that volume on down days in the stock market has been lighter than the volume on the up days. That, he says, could mean the worst of the market losses are behind it for now. "I think it's indicative of a bottoming process that's under way here." (WSJ, 10/4)

"I guess we're just having a correction," says ROBERT ANTOLINI of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE. "At the moment, our stocks seem to be for sale." DAVID READERMAN of LEHMAN BROS. agreed, calling his computer screen of stock quotes "ugly." Wednesday's selling meant, "someone is hitting these stocks real hard " according to Readerman. ("Investor's Daily", 10/4)

"It's clear the market didn't deserve to be at 3000 [on the Dow] in mid-July," says PETER LYNCH, former head of the FIDELITY MAGELLAN FUND. "But is rose on the theory that the soft landing for the economy was going to happen. After oil jumped from $18 to $40 a barrel, it clearly became a new ball game." What to do? "In the last 70 years, if you were willing to buy into declines, you were always rewarded. I always bought into declines even though my fund always fell during those declines." ("USA Today", 10/4)

"The market started out with a little rally phase this morning, but then things faded," says RICHARD McCABE of MERRILL LYNCH. A rise in oil prices hurt both bonds and equities, according to McCabe. (CNN "Moneyline", 10/3)

"There was a lot of weakness among retail stocks and that caused further concern about what's happening to the economy," says PETER VANDENBERG of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. ("USA Today", 10/4)

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#90277p1294 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Fiat Group, Italy's largest private-sector automotive and industrial concern (NYSE: FIA) and CGE, one of the largest French manufacturing groups in the private sector, announced today a strategic alliance on the international level.

This agreement will involve exchanges of shareholder participations, rationalization of manufacturing activities through a series of mergers and creation of a jointly-held European holding company to develop programs for action in sectors of mutual interest.

As part of this plan, Fiat will acquire a stake of approximately 6 percent of the current capital stock of CGE, corresponding to 6.4 million shares. The transaction will be accomplished by means of already existing shares held by CGE and convertible debentures. Fiat will become one of the leading stockholders in CGE.

For its part, CGE will receive about 3 percent of the Fiat ordinary stock, corresponding to 45 million shares, for about 450 billion lire (U.S. $370 million). This transfer will be implemented by means of already existing shares held by Fiat and the subscription of an issue of bonds convertible into already existing shares held by Fiat. As a result, CGE will become one of the leading stockholders in Fiat.

Representatives of both groups will sit on the boards of directors of the two corporations. In addition, a strategic committee will be formed to enhance cooperation over the long term.

In the telecommunications sector, it has been decided to merge the respective activities of Alcatel Face and Telettra, 90 percent of which is held by the Fiat Group. As a result of the merger, Fiat will hold 25 percent of the new group, in addition to the six percent of CGE mentioned earlier.

Telettra has been valued overall at approximately 2,500 billion lire (over U.S. $2 billion). This transaction will give Alcatel, already a European leader in the development and the production of telecommunications systems, the top position worldwide in both cable and radio-relay transmissions. Telettra, in turn, will play a special role within the Alcatel Group, due to its resources in transmissions research and development.

In the automotive components manufacturing sector, CGE will transfer to Fiat 50.1 percent of the capital of CEAc Group. "CEAc" stands for Compagnie Europeene d'Accumulateurs, which includes the Chloride Motive Power and ATSA-Tudor companies. Its main products are generators and lead batteries, used chiefly in motor vehicles.

Fiat, which is already represented in this field through Magneti Marelli, will acquire a leading position among European producers. CGE will retain 48 percent of the capital of CEAc.

Negotiations are also underway for the transfer of 50.1 percent of Fiat Ferroviaria to the GEC-Alsthom joint venture (a world leading company in railroad manufacturing, 50 percent of which is held by CGE). Fiat will retain 49.9 percent of Fiat Ferroviaria, which will thus become part of a top-level international axis.

Another important aspect of the deal between Fiat and CGE is the creation of a jointly owned European holding company, which will develop interests and initiatives in high-tech sectors common to the two groups.

In particular, the new composite materials, artificial intelligence and telecommunications services applied to transport systems have been designated as priority areas.

The result of all these initiatives between Fiat and CGE will be a complex of activities on the international level designed to integrate and rationalize their common sectors, increasing their technological capabilities in order to reinforce the competitiveness of European industry in world markets.

By the end of the year, these transactions will be embodied in a series of agreements, ready for submission to the appropriate authorities.

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LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Furon Company (NASDAQ: FCBN) announced today the consolidation of three operations into one new Advanced Polymer Division. The reorganization encompasses what were previously known as the Anaheim, Chicago and Dixon divisions, all of whom possess superior materials and processing technology in fluoroplastics.

The newly unified division benefits from centralized management to better focus responsiveness to customer requirements while eliminating duplication of resources. The new division will continue to manufacture at three strategic sites, serving the eastern United States from Bristol, R.I., the Midwest from Chicago and the western states from Anaheim, Calif.

Furon (formerly the Fluorocarbon Company), headquartered in Laguna Niguel, is a producer of quality polymer products for the industrial market. The company serves a wide range of industries including petrochemical, electronics, aerospace, medical, transportation, pollution control and fluid power.

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#90277p1309 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Furon Company (NASDAQ: FCBN) announced today the consolidation of three operations into one new Advanced Polymer Division. The reorganization encompasses what were previously known as the Anaheim, Chicago and Dixon divisions, all of whom possess superior materials and processing technology in fluoroplastics.

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#90277p1310 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
OYSTER BAY, NY (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Back to the Future time-traveling movie trilogy, a combined box-office blockbuster heightened by the recent release of Back to the Future Part III, continues to excite fans as Back to the Future: Part II & III(TM) hits the market this month as a new Nintendo Entertainment System (NES)(R) video game under the LJN label.

"Among the audience of intense Back to the Future trilogy fans are also serious video gamers," says Sam Goldberg, vice president of marketing. "By combining the themes of two popular movies in one game, we've achieved an industry first. And, with positive game reviews already in, we anticipate Back to The Future: Part II & III to be a big seller for the holiday season."

In the first weekend the movie opened, Back to the Future Part III achieved close to $24 million in box-office sales, followed by a significant second weekend of theatre attendance. Back to the Future Part II, released in Nov. 1989, pulled in sales of $43 million in its first five days and subsequently grossed $118 million among theatres nationwide.

LJN's Back to the Future: Part II & III video game is part of a major fourth calendar quarter cross-promotion that includes television and print advertising support, featuring a new commercial that captures the futuristic

excitement of the hit movies and time-traveling action of the video game.

Currently available, LJN's Back to the Future: Part II & III is expected to retail for $44.95.

LJN is a subsidiary of Acclaim Entertainment, Inc. (NASDAQ: AKLM), a leading publisher, marketer and distributor of home entertainment products. These include Nintendo Entertainment System software, Nintendo(R) Game Boy(TM) compact video system software, wireless remote controllers and hand-held electronic video games.

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#90277p1319 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Circuit City Stores Inc. (NYSE: CC) today announced September sales of $185.5 million, which represents a 16 percent increase from September 1989 sales of $159.5 million and a 1 percent decline in comparable store sales.

"Our sales growth continues to reflect the consumer's uncertainty about the overall economy," said Richard L. Sharp, Circuit City's president and chief executive officer. "Given this uncertainty and forecasts for more moderate economic growth, we have become more cautious in our outlook for the remainder of the year."

During September, Circuit City opened three mall-based Impulse stores. The new stores are located at the Gardens in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.; Cambridgeside Galleria in Cambridge, Mass.; and Emerald Square in North Attleboro, Mass. The company's Superstore expansion plans for October include the opening of its first six stores in St. Louis.

Circuit City Stores Inc. is the nation's largest specialty retailer of brand-name consumer electronics and major appliances. With headquarters in Richmond, Va., it operates 138 Superstores, 16 Circuit City stores and eight Impulse mall stores in the eastern, midwestern and western United States.

CONTACT: Ann M. Collier of Circuit City, 804-527-4058.

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#90277p1321 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Society for Savings Bancorp, Inc., ("Bancorp") (NASDAQ: SOCS) today announced that it will report a loss for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Preliminary estimates place the loss at approximately $3.6 million or 30 cents per share, resulting in estimated year-to-date net income of approximately $2.4 million (20 cents per share).

Comparable third quarter 1989 results were earnings of $9.1 million (76 cents per share) for the three months and $40.7 million ($3.42 per share) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The 1989 nine-month results included two non-recurring transactions that had increased earnings by $14.5 million.

Bancorp attributed the third quarter loss primarily to an estimated $16.7 million addition to its loan loss reserve during the third quarter. The loan loss provision is in response to an approximate 12 percent growth in Bancorp's non-performing assets during the period, from $147 million at June 30, 1990 to an estimated $164.8 million at September 30. The growth in non-performing assets, along with loan write-downs, occurred principally in Bancorp's commercial real estate loan portfolio. At the third quarter's end, Bancorp estimated that its allowance for loan losses will stand at approximately $49.5 million.

CONTACT: Albert E. Fiacre, Jr., executive vice president and chief financial officer of Society for Savings Bancorp, Inc., 203-727-5420.

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#90277p1322 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Edward A. Horrigan, former vice chairman of RJR Nabisco, announced today that as part of an investment group he had acquired an interest in HTM Sports Holding B.V., one of the world's largest sporting goods companies.

The HTM Sports investment marks Horrigan's second major purchase this year. In June of this year, Horrigan guided the purchase of a majority interest in Candy USA, one of the nation's leading producers in contract candy.

HTM Sports includes Kennelbach, Austria-based HEAD, which produces skiing and racquet sports equipment; Vienna-based Tyrolia, which manufactures skiing equipment; and Mares, a diving products company in Rapallo, Italy. The company's newest operating division is Fort Worth, Texas-based HEAD Golf.

"HTM Sports is a well-run, forward-thinking company, and I believe the investment we have made will prove to be extremely successful," said Horrigan, who acquired the interest in HTM Sports as part of the Atlanta-based investment group EAH Associates.

Horrigan's background encompasses extensive sports marketing experience. During his tenure at RJR Nabisco, Horrigan played an integral role in the company's involvement in golf, automobile racing and rodeo.

In a separate announcement, HEAD Golf unveiled its brand-new product line today at a press conference in Fort Worth, Texas. Horrigan cited HEAD Golf's entry into the marketplace as an indication of HTM Sport's ability to adapt to consumer sports trends.

"Research by the National Golf Foundation shows golf to be one of the fastest growing sports of the 1990s," said Horrigan. "HTM Sports is in the right place at the right time with HEAD Golf.

"There is tremendous, worldwide equity in the HEAD name, and HEAD Golf has the people and the products to capitalize on this legacy of success," Horrigan concluded.

CONTACT: Joe Duome of ICS Communications, 212-594-4164, for Edward A. Horrigan.

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#90277p1325 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORCROSS, GA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - CytRx Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTR) announced today an agreement with Agri-Bio Corp. covering CytRx's growth promotion technology.

Agri-Bio Corp., headquartered in Gainesville, Ga., is a wholly owned subsidiary of A.H. Robins Co. Inc., which in turn is a wholly owned subsidiary of American Home Products Corp. (NYSE: AHP).

Under the terms of the agreement, CytRx grants Agri-Bio the exclusive right to enter into a licensing arrangement which has already been fully negotiated and approved by both parties. Agri-Bio is currently conducting studies in poultry using CytRx compounds and has the right to exercise its option to enter into a licensing arrangement anytime through Jan. 31, 1991. The specific terms of the license agreement were not disclosed, however, the agreement includes a modest initial fee which has already been received, a license exercise fee, ongoing quarterly diligence payments, regulatory and approval fees and a royalty on worldwide sales. Agri-Bio has the right to develop the products in the future for swine, cattle and aquaculture (shrimp, fish) in the U.S. and other major world markets.

Previously CytRx announced the results of a two-week poultry study which produced an average 14 percent increase in growth with a concomitant 6 percent improvement in feed efficiency. In the U.S. alone, 5.2 billion broilers will be produced in 1990.

If Agri-Bio elects to exercise its rights, it will mark the second time CytRx has validated its synthetic copolymer technology by consummating an agreement for a product with considerable worldwide market potential with a major organization. In April CytRx consummated a worldwide license agreement (except Japan) with Burroughs Wellcome Co. for RheothRx(R), a product with promise for improving vascular disorders.

CytRx Corp. is a development-stage pharmaceutical company engaged in the research and development of therapeutics incorporating synthetic copolymers.

The company's other products are intended for use in the treatment of vascular immune system, and infectious diseases.

Agri-Bio Corp. is a leader in the U.S. poultry feed additives market. The company is best known for its BioCox(R) feed additive used to prevent coccidiosis, a disease which threatens chicken production around the world.

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#90277p1327 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

JFK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - New York-based Tower Air reported its August 1990 revenue passenger miles (RPMs) on all services increased 10.1 percent compared to August 1989.

Carrier's available seat miles (ASMs) increased by 13.87 percent over the same comparable 1989 month. For August of this year, RPMs totaled 261.9 million and ASMs totaled 286.75 million. For August of 1989, RPMs totaled 235.5 million and ASMs totaled 246.97 million.

Total passengers boarded for the month were 55,257 compared to 51,995 last year, a 5.9 percent increase. Average load factor on all services for August 1990 was 97.1 percent, a slight decline from the average posted last year of 97.5 percent.

Tower Air is a U.S. international scheduled and charter services operator headquartered at New York's JFK International Airport. The carrier operates scheduled services from New York to Tel Aviv, Israel, and the Scandinavian countries of Denmark, Norway and Sweden on a year round basis. Beginning in November, Tower will provide weekly flights from Miami to the Scandinavian countries and Helsinki, Finland. In the spring of 1991, Tower will provide scheduled service from New York to Paris. The carrier also operates charter services to France, Greece and Italy.

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#90277p1328 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

JFK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Tower Air, a New York-based U.S. international air carrier, announced it will be providing air transportation free of charge for 40 members of the Shalom '90 Dance group to participate in a benefit performance Oct. 12 in Los Angeles.

The entire Shalom '90 Dance group will be participating in a special fund-raising event to benefit the American Committee for the Tel Aviv

Foundation and the U.S. Committee Sports for Israel.

The two organizations also are sponsoring a benefit basketball game between the Los Angeles Lakers and the Maccabi Tel Aviv, which will be held Oct. 16 at the Great Western Forum in Los Angeles. Proceeds from the game will benefit youth sports education programs as well as Operation Exodus, the Los Angeles community effort to assist Soviet immigrants in resettlement in Israel.

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#90277p1329 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OH (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Huffy Corporation (NYSE: HUF) announced today that it had executed a purchase and sale agreement with Black & Decker Corporation (NYSE: BDK) to acquire for cash the U.S. and Canadian assets of its True Temper Hardware business and the capital stock of True Temper, Limited (Ireland). The purchase price is dependent upon the value of True Temper net assets at closing but is expected to approximate $55 million. The transaction is expected to close within the next six weeks and is contingent upon the completion of governmental review.

Harry A. Shaw III, chairman and chief executive officer of Huffy, stated, "We are very excited to add the True Temper Hardware business and its management team to Huffy. True Temper is a major manufacturer of long handle garden tools, wheelgoods, lawn spreaders, cutting tools and related products. According to a national market research study, gardening is currently the nation's favorite outdoor leisure time activity with an increasing amount of time being spent at home."

Shaw continued, "Acquisitions are an integral part of our long term strategy. We believe True Temper is an excellent fit and will contribute to our future success. The business is an industry leader with about $100 million of annual sales, has a strong management team in place, above average growth potential, a well-known brand name and high quality products and production facilities. During the first year of ownership, we expect the business to increase Huffy's earnings per share and increase return on equity. The transaction is expected to result in a debt to total capital for Huffy of about 40 percent."

Separately, the board of directors of Huffy Corporation has increased the number of shares of common stock the company is authorized to purchase to 575,000 shares from the 500,000 shares authorized late last year. The board of directors believes Huffy common stock represents an excellent investment at current prices.

Huffy Corporation plans to report the financial results of the September quarter on Oct. 16. The company expects to report a slight increase in

earnings per share versus last year's September quarter earnings of $.39 per share which is in line with most security analyst estimates. Orders for shipments in the fourth quarter are encouraging although the economy is uncertain. Each of the product companies continue to gain market share and demand for the service companies business remains high.

Huffy Corporation is a major manufacturer of bicycles, juvenile and basketball products, and a nationwide supplier of assembly and inventory services to retailers.

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#90277p1333 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

GERMANTOWN, MD (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard E. Brackeen, chairman and chief executive officer of Fairchild Space & Defense Corporation, has announced that Jack Frohbieter will join the corporation in November as president and chief operating officer.

Frohbieter will be responsible for the day-to-day management of the corporation, overseeing operations at Fairchild's Space, Defense and Controls divisions in Maryland and California.

"Jack Frohbieter's solid operational background and extensive experience in both space and electronics business sectors represent an important new strength for Fairchild," Brackeen said in the announcement.

Frohbieter, 54, began his long career with RCA in 1966 as a project engineer, and progressed with increasing responsibilities for the next 24 years. He became director of Satellite Programs in January 1980 during an era of rapid growth for RCA Astro Electronics' commercial and military/government programs. In August 1984, Frohbieter was promoted to vice president of Communications Satellite Programs and a year later was promoted to vice president and general manager of Astro Electronics. By mid-1986, GE acquired RCA and Frohbieter assumed control of a number of combined business units. In November 1986, Frohbieter became division vice president and general manager, GE Government Electronics Systems Division, with sales and assets in excess of $1.2 billion.

Frohbieter earned a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering in 1959 from the University of Evansville, Ind. He joined the U.S. Air Force as a research project officer upon graduation, and later went to work at the Naval Avionics Labs in Indiana in 1962. Frohbieter also attended Harvard's Advanced Management School in 1983. He and his wife, Catherine, have two children.

Fairchild Space & Defense Corporation, a member of the Matra Group, is a U.S.

space and defense electronics company with operations in Germantown and Manhattan Beach, Calif. The company, with a work force of 2,000, has annual revenues of approximately $230 million. Matra, headquartered in Paris, is an internationally diversified company with annual revenues in 1989 of approximately $3.6 billion. Matra's lines of business include aerospace, telecommunications and transportation.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Broad Inc. (NYSE: BRO) today announced that two of its subsidiaries, SunAmerica Asset Management Corp. and SunAmerica Capital Services Inc. plan to purchase from Equitec Financial Group Inc. (NYSE: EFG) contracts to manage and distribute the Equitec Siebel mutual fund groups. Pursuant to an approved bid accepted by the United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of California, the purchase price will be $17.8 million, subject to adjustment.

The transaction, when completed, will increase Broad Inc.'s assets owned or under management by approximately $650 million to $12 billion and complement its existing SunAmerica mutual fund operations.

Under the terms of the agreement, the SunAmerica companies will purchase certain contracts and related assets of both Siebel Capital Management Inc., which manages 12 mutual funds and Equitec Securities Co., the funds' distributor.

The agreement is subject to a number of terms and conditions including completion of a definitive agreement and approval by the shareholders and trustees of the Equitec Siebel mutual funds.

Eli Broad, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said the pending acquisition is "a perfect fit with the $2.2 billion mutual fund and investment counseling business of SunAmerica Asset Management Corp.

"Not only do SunAmerica and the Equitec Siebel funds have a similar, conservative long-term investment philosophy, but the critical mass and cost economies which will be available from a $2.8 billion business should prove beneficial to both Equitec's and SunAmerica's mutual fund shareholders, as well as our company. "At Broad Inc. and SunAmerica, we see continuing opportunities unfolding within the financial services industry for companies like ours with strong financial resources and investment grade ratings," Broad said. "I believe this transaction is indicative of the type of acquisition opportunities that will be available to companies with strong capital during the '90s."

Through its SunAmerica financial services group, Broad Inc. markets fixed and variable annuities, guaranteed investment contracts, mutual funds, investment counseling, trust services and other investment-oriented products through approximately 15,000 representatives nationwide. As of June 30, Broad Inc. had assets owned or under management of nearly $11.5 billion and total capital approaching $525 million. Broad Inc., SunAmerica Corp. and Sun Life Insurance Company of America are all ranked investment grade by the nation's leading ratings services.

CONTACT: Jana Waring Greer, VP of Broad Inc., 213-445-6532 or 818-705-8129.

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#90277p1341 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Houston Industries Incorporated (NYSE: HOU) announced yesterday that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.74 per share of common stock. The dividends are payable Dec. 10, 1990 to holders of record at the close of business Nov. 16.

CONTACT: Sandy Brendler, 713-629-3123, or Dan Bulla, 713-629-3120, of Houston Industries.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Comcast International L.P. announced today that the Registration Statement relating to an offering of its Units of limited partnership interest has been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

A minimum of 100,000 Units and a maximum of 250,000 Units (subject to increase in certain circumstances) will be offered at $1,000 per Unit, with a minimum purchase of five Units (two Units for IRAs).

Merrill Lynch Capital Markets is the exclusive selling agent for the offering.

Comcast International has been formed to acquire interests in, develop, manage and operate, through an acquisition partnership, cable television systems, telecommunications systems, programming ventures and related businesses located primarily outside of the United States.

The general partner of Comcast International and Comcast International's co-investor in the acquisition partnership are wholly owned subsidiaries of Comcast Corp. (NASDAQ: CMCSA). Comcast Corp. is principally engaged in the management, development and operation of cable communications systems. Additionally, Comcast Corp. provides cellular telephone communications, as well as sound and music services.

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TACOMA, WASH. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hillhaven Corp. (AMEX: HIL) announced today that for the first quarter ended Aug. 31 it had earnings of $323,000 on revenues of $298,853,000. Comparison with the prior year first quarter is not meaningful due to material changes in the financial structure of Hillhaven following its recent spin-off.

Revenues increased $7,600,000, or approximately 12 percent annualized from the recent fourth quarter ending May 31, in part attributable to customary annual Medicaid rate increases effective July 1990. Additionally, nursing center occupancy increased from 90.3 percent to 90.9 percent during the quarter.

Hillhaven recorded improved operating cash flow (operating income before depreciation, rent and net interest expense) totaling $37,682,000 for the quarter. "The company's cash position of $72,300,000 at quarter's end has allowed Hillhaven to continue execution of its strategic financial plan, including the purchase of leased nursing centers to further improve cash flow " remarked Chris Marker, president of Hillhaven.

During the quarter, Hillhaven announced its intention to purchase 11 nursing centers that it currently operates under lease agreements for slightly more than $50,000,000. The acquisition of three of these centers closed during the first quarter, with the remaining eight scheduled to close during the second quarter.

The Hillhaven Corp. is a leading provider of quality long-term health care. The company owns or leases and manages approximately 360 long-term care centers located in 38 states as well as 25 retirement housing communities located in 14 states. Additionally, its Medi-$ave Pharmacy subsidiary operates approximately 120 retail and institutional pharmacies in 23 states. Hillhaven provides care for over 42,000 people on a daily basis and employs more than 35,000 individuals nationwide.

On Jan. 31, 1990, Hillhaven became a public company through a spin-off distribution from its prior parent company, National Medical Enterprises Inc. (NME). Founded in 1946, Hillhaven had been the principal operating subsidiary of the Long Term Care Group of NME since 1979.

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SEATTLE, WA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Airborne Freight Corp. (NYSE: ABF), which operates under the trade name Airborne Express, announced today that it will begin assessing all customers a fuel surcharge of four percent on domestic traffic and five percent on international express shipments.

The surcharge is necessary to cover costs associated with the escalating price of fuel caused by the Persian Gulf crisis, the company said.

"We expect the surcharge to be temporary, and will continue to monitor the situation affecting fuel price increases," said Robert G. Brazier, president of Airborne Express. "We hope our customers understand that the surcharge was necessary to cover fuel costs which have risen rapidly." The current price per gallon of jet fuel is approximately 70 percent higher than the average price in the second quarter of this year.

The company is presently in the process of notifying all of its customers of the surcharge.

Airborne Express is the nation's fastest-growing overnight air express company. Airborne primarily serves corporate America through the delivery of time-sensitive documents, letters, small packages and heavy freight to more than 45,000 communities in the United States and 183 countries worldwide.

CONTACT: Roy Liljebeck, 206-281-1003, or Scott Tagliarino, 213-629-4974, both of Airborne Express.

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TOWSON, MD (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Black & Decker Corp. (NYSE: BDK) announced today that it has agreed to sell four of its Emhart businesses to various buyers and has signed contracts to sell certain properties in the United Kingdom and other properties in France that have become redundant as a result of consolidations that have occurred since the acquisition of Emhart in April 1989.

Total net proceeds are expected to be approximately $150 million, which will be used to reduce acquisition debt. The company anticipates closing all of the transactions by November 30, 1990.

The four businesses are True Temper Hardware, which is being sold to Huffy Corp. (NYSE: HUF); GardenAmerica, which is being sold to a U.S. subsidiary of an Australian company, James Hardie Industries Limited; Medic, the medical computer systems unit of Planning Research Corp., which is being sold to a management-led buyout group; and the domestic capacitors operation, which is being sold to an investment group, Yosemite Investment, Inc.

Commenting on the sales, Nolan D. Archibald, Chairman and Chief Executive

Officer, said: "We are pleased to announce another step in our program to reduce our acquisition debt by $1 billion. When the proceeds of these sales are applied, reductions will total approximately $700 million."

Black & Decker is the world's leading marketer and manufacturer of power tools and other quality products used in and around the home and for commercial applications.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - In a significant real estate closing, San Jacinto Savings Association has modified $350 million in loans to real estate limited partnerships, returning them to performing status, according to Lawrence Connell, San Jacinto's president and chief executive officer.

The innovative transaction, believed to be a "first" in the savings and loan field, reduces the principal amount of each loan to a debt service level reflective of the cash flow produced by the collateral property, without requiring any debt forgiveness by San Jacinto. By this strategy, ownership interests will be preserved for approximately 17,000 participants in limited partnerships sponsored by Southmark Corporation of Dallas.

The loans were originated as part of tax sheltered real estate limited partnership investments which were originally sponsored and marketed to individual investors by Southmark, San Jacinto's corporate parent, through an operating subsidiary, Southmark/Envicon Capital Corporation.

As part of its now-completed bankruptcy settlement, Southmark agreed to reduce its interest in the real estate loans, enabling San Jacinto to reduce the loan principal amount and interest rates.

Prior to tax reform, many individuals invested in real estate partnerships, taking large tax write-offs based on depreciation and interest expense. Since the tax benefits figured heavily into the investment rationale, tax reform had a dramatic negative impact.

The loan modification package allows the individual investors to avoid the adverse tax consequences that would arise from a foreclosure, and converts non-performing assets with unrealistically high loan amounts into performing assets for San Jacinto.

Southmark-controlled partnerships, Southmark Partners One, Ltd. and Equity Associates, Ltd., are general partners for 68 limited partnerships involved in the transaction. LPIMC, Inc., the other party to the loan modification, is general partner for 33 Southmark- sponsored limited partnerships, 22 of which

were included in the closing. LPIMC was organized by former Southmark/Envicon executives.

The closing, an integral aspect of Southmark's reorganization under Federal bankruptcy procedures, involved the virtually simultaneous signing of more than 100 sets of loan documents.

San Jacinto is a Houston savings and loan with offices in Houston and the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dress Barn, Inc. (NASDAQ: DBRN) announced today that sales for the fifty-two week period ended July 28, 1990 were $283,592,000 compared with $249,201,000 last year, an increase of 14 percent. Earnings for the fifty-two week period were $14,379,000, a decrease of 24 percent from the $18,936,000 earned in the prior year's comparable period.

For the thirteen week period ended July 28, 1990 sales increased 15 percent to $75,261,000 from last year's $65,637,000 and earnings decreased 20 percent to $4,232,000 from last year's $5,276,000.

The company also announced, that it had to date repurchased a total of 435,000 of its own shares, of the 2,000,000 authorized for repurchase by its board of directors on Aug. 15, 1990.

At the close of the period there were 462 stores in operation, an increase of 54 from a year earlier. As of this date the company has opened an additional 31 stores and plans to have 510 locations by December 1990.

The Dress Barn, Inc. operates a chain of off-price women's apparel stores, from coast to coast, offering in-season, moderate to better quality fashion apparel, primarily with national brand names, at substantial discounts from department store prices.

THE DRESS BARN, INC.

Fifty-two weeks ended	7/28/90	7/29/89
Sales	$283,592,000	$249,201,000
Net income	14,379,000	18,936,000
Per share earnings	.64	.85
Thirteen weeks ended	7/28/90	7/29/89
Sales	$ 75,261,000	$ 65,637,000

Net income	4,232,000	5,276,000
Per share earnings	.19	.24

CONTACT: Michael Palmer, executive vice president of Dress Barn, 203-327-4242

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RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NC (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association (PMA) today honored three of the nation's leading scientists, two from Burroughs Wellcome Co., for their innovative contributions to medical research.

At a ceremony held in Washington, D.C., PMA Chairman Richard J. Kogan presented the PMA's 1990 Discoverers Awards to Burroughs Wellcome Co. Scientists Drs. Gertrude B. Elion and Howard J. Schaeffer. Dr. David W. Cushman, principal scientist at the Bristol-Myers Squibb Institute for Medical Research, also received the award.

The PMA Discovers Award, given annually since 1987, has become a major event for the research-based pharmaceutical industry. The award is given to scientists who discover medicines that prove to be important therapeutic breakthroughs that have greatly benefited mankind. Recipients of the honor are chosen by pharmaceutical industry scientists through the PMA's Research and Development Section.

Drs. Elion and Schaeffer were recognized for their discovery and development of Zovirax(R), A drug used to combat a broad spectrum of herpes virus infections, including genital herpes, herpes zoster (shingles) and herpes encephalitis.

Schaeffer, of Cary, retired as Vice President of Research, Development and Medical Affairs in 1989. His work at Burroughs Wellcome Co. produced a series of compounds with antiviral activitiy that ultimately led to the discovery of Zovirax. The therapeutic value of the drug, however, was not fully realized until Dr. Elion's work on antiviral mechanisms was applied to Dr. Schaeffer's discovery.

Elion, of Chapel Hill, is Scientist Emeritus at Burroughs Wellcome. Her work led to the identification of enzymes that would activate and modify Zovirax to a form that is mistaken by a virus as a compound that it needed to reproduce. Thus, the reproductive cycle of the virus can be stopped and the course of viral infection altered.

In 1988, Dr. Elion shared the Nobel Prize in Medicine with Dr. George Hitchings, another Burroughs Wellcome Co. Scientist who received a Discovers Award in 1988.

Burroughs Wellcome Co., a research-based pharmaceutical company based in Research Triangle Park, N.C., is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Wellcome Foundation Ltd., headquartered in London, England.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Nova Pharmaceutical Corporation (NASDAQ: NOVX) today announced that it has received a Phase II Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) grant from the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) to develop Corticotropin-releasing factor (CRF) antagonists, chemical agents that may be useful in the treatment of anxiety and depression.

CRF is a chemical in the brain thought to be associated with anxiety and depression. Both preclinical and clinical studies have suggested that an agent capable of blocking the CRF receptor in the brain could be a new therapy for these disorders.

The NIMH grant will enable Nova to expand the company's research in CRF antagonists. The company plans to employ receptor technology to examine new compound libraries for chemical leads and to develop models to further characterize the therapeutic potential of CRF antagonists.

Nova Pharmaceutical Corporation, based in Baltimore, is engaged in the research and development of new drugs and drug delivery systems, with a primary focus on central nervous system disorders and pain and inflammation.

CONTACT: Kira Bacon of Nova Pharmaceutical, 301-558-9465, or Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180 for Nova Pharmaceutical.

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#90277p1372 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE) today announced the restart of Unit One at its Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant in Lusby, Md.

Unit I, currently operating at 25 percent power, began providing electricity to BG&E's system at 6:42 a.m. BG&E said it expects to slowly bring the 825-megawatt reactor back to full power over the next week. The reactor had been out of service for testing and equipment repairs since April.

BG&E officials said work is continuinq on Unit Two and the plant is expected back in service by the end of the year.

CONTACT: Charles J. Franklin Jr. of Baltimore Gas and Electric, 301-234-7433

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The initial public offering of 6,000,000 shares of American Waste Services, Inc. class A common stock without par value priced at $10 per share was announced today. Of the 6,000,000 primary shares being offered, 4,800,000 shares are being offered through a United States offering and 1,200,000 are being offered in a concurrent international offering. The stockholders of the company have granted the underwriters an option for 30 days to purchase up to an additional 900,000 secondary shares.

Goldman, Sachs & Co. is the lead manager of the offering and PaineWebber Incorporated and First Analysis Securities Corporation are co-managers of the offering.

Proceeds to the company from the sale of its shares will be used to complete pending acquisitions, reduce debt, fund working capital and finance possible future acquisitions, as well as for general corporate purposes.

American Waste Services, Inc., headquartered in Youngstown, Ohio, provides integrated waste management services, including disposal, transportation and brokerage, to industrial, commercial, municipal and governmental customers primarily in selected eastern and midwestern markets. The company's principal activities include the operation of nonhazardous solid waste landfills for the disposal of special waste, garbage and refuse; the transportation and brokerage of hazardous and nonhazardous waste; and, upon the acquisition of Earth Sciences Consultants, Inc. and two affiliated companies concurrently with the completion of the offering, the provision of environmental engineering, site assessment, analytical laboratory and remediation services. The company believes it is one of the larger transporters and disposers of special waste in the United States.

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#90277p1385 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Heilig-Meyers Company (NYSE: HMY), the Richmond-based home furnishings retailer, today reported sales results for the month of September 1990. Net sales for the month rose approximately 18.0 percent to $28.4 million as compared to $24.1 million for September 1989. Sales in stores which were open for the comparable month in the prior year increased approximately 10.0 percent.

Net sales for the seven-month period ended September 1990 increased approximately 17.8 percent to $215.8 million compared to $183.2 million for the same period last year. Sales in stores which were open for the comparable

period in the prior year increased approximately 8.6 percent.

Heilig-Meyers Company, a Virginia corporation, presently operates 312 stores in 12 states.

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#90277p1387 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNT VERNON, NY (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Micro Bio-Medics, Inc., (NASDAQ: MBMI), a leading supplier of physician and sports medicine supplies, today announced record financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, with a 35 percent increase in net profits for the quarter, according to Bruce J. Haber, president.

"We are now beginning to see the rewards of our shift in strategy away from sales to lower margin hospital customers toward the higher margin and more profitable physician supply market. In addition, the initial expenses associated with the recent acquisitions which have enabled us to expand geographically into new territories are now behind us and are beginning to favorably impact our bottom line as well," Haber stated.

For the third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, Micro Bio-Medics had record sales of $13,768,512, a 10 percent increase over sales of $12,532,061 for the same three month period in 1989. Net income for the quarter increased by a record 35 percent to $505,540, or 10 cents per share compared with net income of $374,223, or 7 cents per share for the same period last year.

For the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, sales were a record $32,010,105 compared with sales of $30,146,461 in 1989. Net income for the nine months was a record $524,879, or 10 cents per share, a 14 percent increase over the $458,044, or 9 cents per share reported for the same nine month period in 1989.

MICRO BIO-MEDICS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statement of Operations

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Aug. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$13,768,512	$12,532,061	$32,010,105	$30,146,461
Gross profit on sales	3,292,316	2,954,190	7,716,930	7,047,722
Profit before prov. for income taxes	876,340	648,223	909,879	794,044
Prov. for inc. taxes	370,800	274,000	385,000	336,000
Net income	505,540	374,223	524,879	458,044
Earns. per com. share	$.10	$.07	$.10	$.09
Number of shares used in computing earnings per				

common share	5,286,028	5,236,528	5,283,250	5,231,945

CONTACT: Bruce J. Haber, president of Micro Bio-Medics, 619-699-1704

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange today opened put and call options trading on the over-the-counter stock of Cincinnati Financial Corporation (options symbol: CDQ)(NASDAQ: CINF). As an insurance holding company based in Fairfield, Ohio, Cincinnati Financial Corp. operates primarily in the areas of property and casualty and life insurance.

The new option has been allocated to the specialist firm of O'Connor & Associates, with Jennifer Sanford as lead specialist.

CDQ opened with strike prices of 65, 70 and 75 and position limits of 3,000 contracts. Initial expiration months are November and December of 1990 and January and April of 1991.

The Amex trades a total of 209 stock options, including 49 options on OTC stocks. In addition, options are traded on three broad-market indexes -- the Major Market Index (XMI), the Institutional Index (XII) and the International Index (ADR) -- as well as two narrow-based indexes -- the Oil Index (XOI) and the Computer Technology Index (XCI).

CONTACT: Lisa Neuner of the American Stock Exchange, 212-306-2028.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Woolworth Corporation's (NYSE: Z) total sales for the eight-week period ended Sept. 29, 1990, were up 15 percent from the comparable year-earlier period, Harold E. Sells, chairman and chief executive officer, reported today. The large New York-based multinational retailer had previously reported a 13.2 percent increase in total sales for the four weeks ended Sept. 1 over the comparable prior-year period.

Speaking before a retail industry conference sponsored by Salomon Brothers, a New York investment bank, Sells said Woolworth's September sales were "well ahead of the August pace" largely because of the "continued sharp sales gains in Germany." Woolworth has had a major store presence in Germany since the 1920s, and today operates some 426 stores in that country, including 292 general merchandise stores and 134 specialty stores.

Sells pointed out that the sales results for the eight-week period ended Sept. 29 -- the first eight weeks of the second half of the company's financial year -- compared favorably to the 10 percent year-to-year total sales gain

registered in the first half of the company's financial year.

"Today, as the North American economy appears to be temporarily slowing, we see Germany picking up the pace enough to offset possible 'shortfalls' elsewhere," Sells stated, noting, "Our geographic diversity," including Canada Europe and Australia as well as the United States, "reduces the potential impact of unfavorable political or economic developments in any single market."

Under the retail industry's widely followed schedule for reporting monthly sales, Woolworth, along with most other major retailers, will issue its next formal sales release on Thursday, Oct. 11. That report will cover the five-week period ending Oct. 6, 1990.

As previously reported, Woolworth Corporation earlier this year augmented its European operations with the acquisition of the 14-store "Profoot" athletic footwear chain in the Netherlands and Belgium. Since then, the company has been in the process of converting these stores to its highly successful Foot Locker format and has opened two additional Foot Locker units in the Netherlands. These 16 stores join the company's 11 Foot Locker units in Germany. The company plans to continue to expand the Foot Locker chain throughout western Europe, particularly following the scheduled 1992 removal of the trade barriers among the countries making up the European Economic Community (EEC).

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - On Thursday, Oct. 18, Primerica Corporation (NYSE: PA) will release third quarter 1990 earnings, followed by an afternoon analyst meeting. Primerica's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Sanford I. Weill, and other senior management will review the results in detail and answer any questions. The meeting will be held at:

Smith Barney 1345 Avenue of the Americas, 49th Floor New York City 4 p.m. Cocktails will follow at about 5:30 p.m. Kindly R.S.V.P. to Patricia Brady, 212-891-8880, no later than Monday, Oct. 15, 1990.

CONTACT: Mary McDermott, 212-891-8870, or Barbara Yastine, 212-891-8872, both of Primerica

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#90277p1404 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOMERVILLE, N.J. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Unimed, Inc. (NASDAQ: UMED), today announced record sales for Marinol (dronabinol), an antiemetic for cancer chemotherapy patients, in the company's fourth fiscal quarter ending Sept. 30,

1990.

Unimed's share of Marinol sales exceeded $400,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, increasing 68 percent over the levels achieved in the same quarter of fiscal 1989. Total fiscal 1990 sales of Marinol will exceed 1989 levels by 28 percent. Marinol is marketed by Roxane Laboratories, a member of the worldwide Boehringer Ingelheim group of companies.

The company also announced that distribution of Marinol into the Canadian market by Boehringer Ingelheim will begin this month. Sales training meetings have been completed and promotional campaigns have been initiated. Shipments to wholesalers are expected during the week of Oct. 8.

Harold J. Tenoso, president and chief executive officer of Unimed, commented, "The medical community's increasing acceptance of Marinol has generated an increasing sales growth trend. The distribution of Marinol in Canada will supplement U.S. sales and should facilitate additional worldwide approvals."

Tenoso added that Marinol is also being studied for its effectiveness as an appetite stimulant. The company recently reported that treatment with Marinol resulted in weight gain in patients with HIV infections (AIDS and AIDS-related complex, or ARC). Additionally, over 70 percent of cancer patients in another study had an increase in appetite and reported more optimism about their prognosis. During treatment with Marinol, the rate of weight loss in these patients was reduced by almost one pound per month.

Unimed, Inc., is a pharmaceutical company specializing in the early acquisition, development and marketing of new cancer therapeutic compounds. With its unique "technology management" strategy, the company bridges the gap between university research centers and pharmaceutical manufacturers to bring promising new therapeutics to market.

CONTACT: Harold J. Tenoso, president and chief executive officer of Unimed, 201-526-6894; or Robert Borchert of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545

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COON RAPIDS, IA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Garst Seed Co. announced today that it had signed an agreement to purchase Edward J. Funk and Sons (Super Crost Seeds) of Kentland, Ind.

The sale is expected to take place in October, after necessary government clearance is obtained. Terms of the sale were not disclosed.

The merger of the two companies will strengthen Garst's position in the seed industry. In joining forces, the combined company will have one of the largest research, production and distribution networks in the industry, with

more than 7,000 sales agents and dealers representing the product lines and an annual research and development budget of $20 million. This year, Garst and Super Crost together evaluated commercial and experimental corn, soybeans, sorghum, alfalfa, sunflower and canola varieties in more than one-half million yield trial plots. The combined companies have the capacity to condition well over 3 million units of seed annually.

Since emerging as a national company in the mid-80s, Garst has made a major commitment to research in the United States, with 19 research centers across 12 states and Canada, the completion of its $10 million bioscience research center in Slater, Iowa, and its network of international testing centers through ICI Seeds.

Between 1985 and 1990, Garst has almost doubled its sales volume. Over the same period, Super Crost has doubled the size of its research program, significantly increased its market share, added soybeans to its product mix and strengthened its distribution network.

Super Crost, founded in 1936 by four sons of Edward J. Funk, employs approximately 200 people full-time who are primarily located at its headquarters in Kentland. It currently markets a full line of seeds, including corn, sorghum, alfalfa and soybeans.

Super Crost has established a reputation as a quality seed company in the central U.S. Corn Belt and in the southeast. The company has research and testing centers in Carroll, Iowa; Madison, Wis.; Bowen, Ill.; Kentland; Delaware, Ohio; and Tifton, Ga.

Garst is part of ICI Seeds which is one of the world's top five seed companies. For more than 10 years, ICI's bioscience research programs have been among the most advanced in the world. ICI Seeds markets seed products in more than 40 countries.

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#90277p1406 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Technology management will be a top priority for oil companies in the decade ahead, Lawrence G. Rawl, chairman of the Exxon Corporation (NYSE: XON), told petroleum analysts today speaking to the annual meeting of the National Association of Petroleum Investment Analysts and Petroleum Investor Relations Association.

The Exxon chief executive stated, "When you evaluate companies' prospects for future success, look carefully at which companies are managing technology well."

Rawl commented: "Companies need to invest in high-quality R&D programs that are capable of producing important proprietary technology. These companies can expect to reap the full rewards from technological advances. On the other hand, companies that rely mainly on "me, too" technology will lack a key competitive tool and risk missing out on important opportunities."

As an example, Rawl pointed out that Exxon was spending more than $100 million to develop a process to convert natural gas to more easily used liquids. The process employs advances in both catalysis and reactor technology. It converts natural gas to a mixture of carbon monoxide and hydrogen and then combines these two chemical building blocks to make liquid feed stocks. He noted that a demonstration plant in Baton Rouge was already partly operational and will be fully operational later this year.

The Exxon executive cautioned that as much as technology has helped us, "it hasn't been a panacea, and we'd be foolish to expect it to become one. We'll continue to need a balanced energy policy that makes use of all safe energy forms."

Rawl told the analysts that recent events in the Persian Gulf have not changed Exxon's basic strategy. "This strategy is to apply constancy of purpose to all our activities. By that, I mean concentrating on fundamental goals -- such as finding new reserves, keeping costs down, and providing stockholder value -- that are essentially unchanging.

He concluded by saying that "technology, properly managed, can be a strategic tool of enormous value. Because of technology, the petroleum industry has a bright future ahead of it in the 1990s and beyond." Rawl added, "Because of technology we can look forward to a cleaner, safer environment -- a more stable and affordable energy supply -- and all the rich rewards of economic growth."

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: LMTS) announced today the signing of an Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) agreement with Hitachi of America for a large-format print engine. LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. will use the Hitachi print engine in two 11 x 17-inch personal typesetters, one that supports MS-DOS-based platforms, and one that will support Apple Computer's Macintosh-based platforms.

The 11 x 17-inch LaserMaster 1200 Personal Typesetter II (for PC users) and the LaserMAX 1200 Personal Typesetter II (for Macintosh II users) output text and graphics at 1200 x 1200 TurboRes(TM) quality. Both large-format

typesetters will be released at the 1990 Seybold Computer Publishing Exposition to be held Oct. 3-5 in San Jose, Calif., and will ship later this quarter.

"With the introduction of the 11 x 17-inch personal typesetter, we're giving desktop publishers far more publishing power than ever," said Mel Masters, CEO LaserMaster Technologies, Inc.

"Combine high-resolution output with a larger print area, and desktop publishers can -- for the first time -- take full advantage of their software applications," said Masters. Using the personal typesetter, PC and Macintosh publishers can create 2-page spreads and print entire image as camera-ready art without having to shrink or tile; place crop marks on the printed page; print CAD designs at resolutions previously unheard of; print posters, newsletters and much more.

LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets printer and display controllers and subsystems for high quality electronic printing and desktop publishing applications. LaserMaster's products include high performance printer controllers, plain-paper desktop typesetters and integrated electronic publishing systems which feature the company's proprietary TurboRes(TM) resolution enhancement technology.

TurboRes is a patent-pending technology and a trademark of LaserMaster Corporation. Macintosh is a registered trademark of Apple Computer, Inc. PostScript is a registered trademark of Adobe Systems, Inc. All other product and brand names are trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective companies.

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BROOMFIELD, Colo. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - HealthWatch, Inc. (NASDAQ: HEAL) yesterday announced that it has signed an agreement with Life Sciences, Inc. pursuant to which Life Sciences will be merged into HealthWatch's recently formed HealthWatch Technologies subsidiary. Life Sciences is a privately owned company engaged in the manufacture and marketing of non-invasive diagnostic equipment for vascular disease assessment.

The agreement, which is contingent on, among other things, approval by the Life Sciences stockholders, provides for the issuance to the Life Sciences stockholders of 600,000 shares of HealthWatch's common stock. HealthWatch has 2.4 million outstanding shares of common stock.

"The acquisition of Life Sciences is a major step in the development of HealthWatch Technologies into a premier medical products company through the

acquisition of mature companies with complementary products, services and markets," said Sanford L. Schwartz, president and CEO of HealthWatch. Life Sciences will be HealthWatch Technologies' second acquisition. In June 1990, HealthWatch Technologies acquired the assets of Telemed, a 20-year-old company which develops electrocardiographic diagnostic equipment, software and services for hospitals, clinics and physicians.

HealthWatch was founded in 1983. In December 1988, HealthWatch completed the sale of seven of its eight Denver-area medical centers to Rose Hospital. In May 1989, HealthWatch completed the acquisition of Discovery Technologies, Inc., a teleradiology (FilmFax) imaging systems company.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of W. R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 35 cents per share of common stock. The dividend will be payable on Dec. 10, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 1, 1990.

This will be the 212th consecutive dividend paid by the Grace organization. Grace is an international specialty chemical company with interests in energy, manufacturing and service businesses.

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PARSIPPANY, N.J. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of General Public Utilities Corp. (NYSE: GPU) today declared a regular quarterly dividend on its common stock of 65 cents per share, payable Nov. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 26.

GPU's quarterly dividend was raised to 65 cents per share in April 1990. GPU is a registered electric utility holding company with three operating subsidiaries: Jersey Central Power & Light Co., Pennsylvania Electric Co. and Metropolitan Edison Co. The GPU System provides about 39 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity to more than 1.9 million customers in a service territory encompassing about half the land area of Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

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#90277p1417 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, NY (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Comptek Research, Inc. (AMEX/BSE: CTK) today announced it has received three Navy and two Air Force awards totaling $17.9 million. These awards are options on existing contracts.

An additional $10 million work authorization was received on the company's five-year contract with the U.S. Navy to furnish technical engineering services and military electronics to the Electronic Combat Mission support directorate at the Pacific Missile Test Center, located at Point Mugu, Calif. This installment brings the cumulative authorizations, or technical directives on the program to $37 million since awarded in April 1989. This latest award represents the implementation and expansion of an original omnibus contract now valued at $77 million over five years.

Additional options were exercised on two other contracts relating to work on the SLQ-32 electronic defense system for the U.S. Navy. These options have a combined value of $4.4 million. Comptek is the original developer of the operational software for the SLQ-32, which is the primary electronic warfare system aboard all U.S. Navy surface combatants, including those currently deployed in the Persian Gulf.

The Air Force exercised a $3 million option for the interoperability and Tactical Support (ITS) program. Comptek is responsible for maintaining and enhancing ITS program capabilities at the Langley Field Air Force Base in Virginia. In addition, a $434,000 option was exercised for the Electronic Warfare Avionics Integration Support Facility program at Warner Robins Air Force Base in Georgia. These engineering services include software updates for threat identification and improving the Air Force's capability to implement new tactics.

"Comptek continues to supply the Department of Defense with high- quality work " stated John R. Cummings, Comptek's acting president and chief executive officer. "These contract extensions reflect the Navy's and Air Force's confidence in the reliability of Comptek's systems and products. The niche technologies and unique defense electronics products in which Comptek specializes continue to be vital elements in this country's defense capabilities."

Comptek Research, Inc., with 13 offices and subsidiary locations in the United States, develops command, control and intelligence systems and electronic warfare systems, primarily for the Department of Defense. Related activities include providing specialized technical services and manufacturing precision electronics.

CONTACT: Christopher A. Head, vice president of Comptek Research, Inc., 716-842-2700; or Stanley Berger or Douglas A. Fox, investor relations for S.M. Berger & Co., 216-283-5400, for Comptek Research.

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#90277p1418 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
PARSIPPANY, NJ (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Nutritional Services Inc. (NASDAQ: HNSI) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to $1 million of the company's common shares from time to time in open market transactions.

The company has 11.8 million common shares outstanding. Commenting on the announcement, Kent Kerkhof, president and chief executive officer, said: "The action by the board indicates our confidence in the prospects of our company and the attractiveness of our stock as an investment. It also is an effective measure for building shareholder value, given current market conditions."

Home Nutritional Services Inc. is a national provider of home infusion therapies and related services. It is a 66-percent-owned subsidiary of Healthdyne Inc. (NASDAQ: HDYN). Founded in 1980, HNS is one of the oldest and largest providers of home infusion care, with operations in 26 states that are conducted through 29 regional centers, 18 satellite facilities and 25 additional sites of service. HNS is recognized as a leader in quality care and clinical sophistication.

CONTACT: Kent H. Kerkhof of Home Nutritional Services, 201-515-4900.

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#90277p1420 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
EL SEGUNDO, CA. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Rockwell International Corp. (NYSE: ROK) has received a contract from the United States Army Strategic Defense Command, Arlington, Va., for concept and technology integration for the Ground-Based Interceptor Experiment. (GBI-X).

Work will begin on concept development this month. The contract includes options for fabrication and ground testing, flight testing, and Milestone II documentation. In addition to this effort, Rockwell was selected for an Early Flight Test Option.

Total contract value, including all options, exceeds approximately $150 million.

The Ground-Based Interceptor is a key element of the Strategic Defense Initiative's Phase I Strategic Defense System architecture. Launched from the ground, non-explosive GBI vehicles would detect and identify attacking ballistic missile reentry vehicles in space and destroy them through the force of impact.

Rockwell's Strategic Defense Center, located in Seal Beach, Calif., will manage the GBI program. Several company facilities will contribute resources

to the program, including the Space Systems Division, Downey, Calif., and Huntsville, Ala.; Rocketdyne Division, Canoga Park, Calif.; Satellite & Space Electronics Division, Seal Beach; Tactical Systems Division, Anaheim, Calif.; and Duluth, Ga.; and Science Center and Electro-Optical Center, Anaheim.

The Rockwell team also includes TRW, Redondo Beach, Calif., and Huntsville; and LTV, Dallas.

Rockwell International is a $12 billion, multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive, and graphics businesses.

CONTACT: Alan Buis, 213-922-1856, or M. Jeffrey Charney, 213-647-5319, both of Rockwell International Corp.

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#90277p1421 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Wacker Chemical Corporation, Louisville Ky., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Wacker-Chemie GmbH, Munich, West Germany, sent a letter today to the Board of Directors of Exolon-ESK Company offering to purchase all of the outstanding shares of Common Stock and Series A Convertible Preferred Stock of Exolon-ESK Company. The offer states that the purchase would be effected through a cash-out merger whereby the holders of Common Stock would receive $17.50 per share and the holders of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock would receive $19.70 per share. The merger would require the approval of the holders of two-thirds of the Common Stock and Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, voting as one class.

Wacker Chemical Corporation presently owns all the Class A Common Stock and Series B Convertible Preferred Stock as the result of a merger with the Exolon Company in 1984. Wacker-Chemie is a worldwide producer of organic and inorganic chemicals, silicones, polymers, plastics and ceramics, with sales of about $1.9 billion last year.

CONTACT: Heidi B. Duerbeck or George Berlstein, 212-210-9400

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#90277p1422 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOTEBORG, SWEDEN (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - AB Volvo (ADRs - NASDAQ: VOLVY) today released the following:

In November 1989, Christer Zetterberg was appointed president of AB Volvo and chief operating officer as of April 25, 1990. He was also intended to succeed Pehr G. Gyllenhammar as chief executive officer at a later date.

Since then, Volvo has become the principal industrial owner of the food and

pharmaceutical group Procordia.

Volvo has also concluded its, so far, biggest industrial agreement in the form of an alliance with Renault.

The structure of the Volvo Group has thus been simplified and strengthened.

The group executive committee has been reorganized and new members have been elected.

Gyllenhammar will now relinquish the responsibility for Volvo's operations in order to devote more time to the alliance and to Volvo's strategic development. Gyllenhammar will continue to co-chair, with Renault Chairman Raymond H. Levy, the top coordinating committee of the alliance between Volvo and Renault, the "Joint General Policy Committee."

As proposed by Gyllenhammar, the board of directors of AB Volvo has today appointed Zetterberg chief executive officer as of Oct. 15, 1990. Zetterberg will assume the full responsibility for Volvo's operations and the control of all its subsidiaries. Zetterberg will be responsible for the implementation of all the programs that the alliance with Renault demands.

Gyllenhammar will have the position of executive chairman of Volvo. Volvo's core business areas are cars, trucks, public transport, marine power and aerospace. Volvo also has substantial interests in construction equipment, food and pharmaceutical industries.

CONTACT: Philip Wilkens of Volvo North America Corporation, 212-418-7420

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#90277p1426 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODBURY, NY (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Millfeld Trading Co., Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SHOE; NASDAQ: SHOEW) has been selected by Fila Athletic Footwear, headquartered in Hunt Valley, Md., as its non-exclusive agent to source footwear in the Far East, it was announced jointly here today.

Fila Athletic Footwear President Homer I. Altice said that Millfeld's expertise in arranging and supervising the production of shoes in the People's Republic of China led to its appointment. "We have been sourcing Fila footwear in Korea, Italy and Taiwan," he said, "but now we are seeking to broaden our import base with Millfeld's guidance."

Millfeld President Barry Feldstein announced, "We are delighted to be associated with Fila, one of the top brands in the world."

Millfeld also announced today that it has purchased the Parigi name. Parigi is an established brand of footwear associated with cold weather wear and sold

mainly to specialty and department stores.

Millfeld and its wholly owned subsidiary, Bright Star Footwear Products, market men's, women's and children's footwear to more than 20,000 outlets of major retailers and mass merchandisers. The company also distributes the "No Excuses" shoe line and Team Sports Footwear featuring 128 logos of NFL, NHL, and NCAA teams.

Millfeld also announced today that it has agreed in principle to act as the exclusive licensee for Kenner Products' Play-Doh brand name. Kenner has signed a letter of intent for Millfeld to market a complete line of children's footwear to be introduced to the trade in December 1990; sales by retail stores are anticipated to begin in the third quarter of 1991. Millfeld's multiyear agreement with Kenner covers the United States and Canada.

Feldstein stated, "This marks a new era in Millfeld's plans for expansion. Play-Doh represents an annuity-based franchise which fits perfectly with our 'branded' marketing strategy." Feldstein also added, "With 35 years of continued popularity, Play-Doh's appeal reaches both parent and child. This may be the first brand to do so."

CONTACT: Barry Feldstein, president of Millfeld Trading, 516-367-3711, or Warren Cavior or Tim Branton, 212-687-6070, for Millfeld Trading

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#90277p1430 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald H. Rumsfeld was today named chairman and chief executive officer of General Instrument Corp.

The announcement was made in New York by Ted Forstmann, the senior partner of Forstmann Little, which acquired GIC in August at a price of $1.6 billion.

Rumsfeld, 58, served under three U.S. Presidents and held various government posts over a 15 year period, including member of Congress, U.S. Ambassador to NATO, White House Chief of Staff and Secretary of Defense.

Rumsfeld succeeds Frank Hickey, who has been chairman and CEO of GIC since 1975. Hickey, 62, will be an investor in the company and will continue as a senior consultant and member of the board.

General Instrument is the world's leading manufacturer and supplier of broadband equipment to the cable television and direct broadcast satellite industries and a leading supplier of power semiconductor devices used in industrial and consumer applications.

Hickey commented: "It is gratifying to be able to relinquish my positions of chairman and CEO to such a distinguished successor. I believe that the future

of GIC is extremely bright. The company is well positioned to capitalize on the growth of communications markets throughout the world. Don Rumsfeld will help make it happen."

Rumsfeld, a Princeton educated former Navy pilot, left government in 1977 to become the president and chief executive officer of G.D. Searle, a major pharmaceutical company. Rumsfeld has been credited with the significant growth of Searle and was two times named Pharmaceutical Executive of the Year.

He left Searle in 1985 to become a senior advisor to William Blair and Company a Chicago investment bank. In announcing the Rumsfeld appointment, Ted Forstmann said: "We are pleased to have found Don Rumsfeld to run General Instrument. He is well acquainted with our firm as a member of our advisory committee and fully shares our philosophy and investment principles."

Rumsfeld said: "GIC is the leader in its fields. It has a dominant share in virtually all product areas in which it participates. It has talented management. It is financially strong with a conservative capital structure. It is poised for significant growth both in the US and abroad. I look forward to working with a Forstmann Little company."

CONTACT: John P. Scanlon, 212-355-5656, or Edward R. Kearney, 212-207-6333, for General Instrument.

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#90277p1431 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAGINAW, MICH. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Wolohan Lumber Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: WLHN) said its sales for September were up 6.0 percent to $26,819,000 from $25,311,000 for September 1989. Same store sales were down 0.7 percent.

Nine-month sales were up 9.9 percent to $227,820,000 from $207,217,000 for the same period of 1989. Same store sales were up 3.9 percent.

Wolohan Lumber Co. is a publicly held company operating 51 lumber and building material retail stores in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Missouri and Wisconsin.

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TULSA, OK (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Williams Natural Gas Company has reached a settlement with all plaintiffs in a consolidated antitrust lawsuit in Kansas City federal court.

The settlement also covers all claims in a related Federal Energy Regulatory Commission proceeding.

The lawsuit concerned prices set in natural gas contracts entered into prior to November 1983, when the pipeline system was acquired by The Williams Companies, Inc. (NYSE: WMB). Two other major defendants, gas producers Amoco Production Company and Oxy USA, earlier reached a separate settlement.

Williams' settlement is for an aggregate $36.5 million to be paid over the next three years. This will result in a charge to net income of some $18 million, or 44 cents per share, net of accruals. The charge will be recorded in the third quarter.

Joseph H. Williams, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Irrespective of one's feelings regarding the merit of our position, you reach a point where it makes more sense to put the issue behind you and turn your attention to the business at hand. This is such a time.

"It is essential that the management of this pipeline system begin concentrating its efforts on restoring the earnings capacity of this important asset, which has been battered by the regulatory changes of recent years," he said.

The Williams Companies is a $3.8 billion corporation that operates a nationwide digital telecommunications network and more than 25,000 miles of pipelines, which transport natural gas and petroleum products.

CONTACT: Jim Gipson of Williams Natural Gas, 918-588-2111.

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#90277p1434 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Citing higher than expected expenses in executing a new distribution strategy for its Lawn-Boy Inc. subsidiary, softness in the irrigation market and anticipated lower snowthrower sales, The Toro Co. (NYSE: TTC) today said it expects a loss per share in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ending Oct. 26, 1990, in the range of 40 cents to 50 cents, compared to net income per share of 24 cents in the first quarter of fiscal 1990 ended Nov. 3, 1989. The company announced earlier that it expected a small loss for the quarter.

"Despite this adverse news, we expect net income to exceed $2.00 per share in fiscal 1991, up from $1.55 per share in fiscal 1990," said Toro Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Kendrick B. Melrose. "This goal has been established expecting a slowdown in consumer spending, caused in part by economic uncertainties. The improvement from last year will reflect the benefit of investments Toro has made to increase profitability through better manufacturing, distribution and marketing."

Toro is in the midst of restructuring the Lawn-Boy distributor network to emphasize direct-to-dealer marketing that includes sales to Sears and Montgomery Ward, Melrose said, and costs have exceeded initial expectations. The company has taken back some inventory from discontinued distributors that had been expected to go to remaining distributors, Melrose said, adding that the overall Lawn-Boy inventory situation has improved significantly since the purchase of the company by Toro in November 1989.

Irrigation products continue to be affected by economic conditions throughout the United States, Melrose said. Industrywide sales to homeowners have dropped because of the depressed real estate markets, and Toro has reduced shipments more than expected to correct field inventories held by contractors and distributors, Melrose said. Rainy weather on the East Coast and in the Midwest during the prime selling season led to excess inventories, he added.

Toro expects sales of snowthrower to decline about 50 percent from last year, one of the poorest years for snowthrower sales. The company attributes this to dealers' reluctance to carry inventory and consumers postponing purchase decisions because of the worsening economy.

The Toro Co. is the nation's largest independent manufacturer and marketer of outdoor maintenance and irrigation equipment.

CONTACT: Stephen D. Keating, of Toro, 612-887-8526; or Fred Nachman of Financial Relations Board-Chicago, 312-266-7800, for Toro; Jan Quartner of FRB-New York, 212-661-8030, for Toro.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Base PLC (NYSE: BAS) today announced that Holiday Inn Worldwide is planning to invest $1 billion in its global hotel business over the next three years. Bass is the largest brewing company in the United Kingdom. Following the acquisition of the Holiday Inn business in North America in February 1990, Bass now owns Holiday Inn, the world's leading hotel chain, throughout the world.

Speaking before more than 1,000 attendees at the Holiday Inn Worldwide franchisee conference here, Ian Prosser, chairman of Bass, said: "The Holiday Inn Worldwide business offers significant long-term profit potential, which we are determined to capture. This investment, planned over the next three years is part of our strategy to ensure continued development of the Holiday Inn brand worldwide through improved existing facilities and developing new products and concepts."

The Holiday Inn Worldwide three-year investment plan will assure higher standards in existing hotels in the important United States market and

worldwide. At the same time, recently developed concepts such as Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, directed to the upper end of the middle market, and Holiday Inn Garden Court, focused toward the upper economy segment in Europe, can expand.

Holiday Inn Express, a new product aimed at the rapidly growing upper economy segment of the middle market in the United States, was also announced at the conference.

Furthermore, Holiday Inn Worldwide announced plans to invest $17.5 million over the next two years in additional marketing support for franchisees and the Holiday Inn brand.

Commenting on developments throughout Bass PLC, Prosser said, "Investment will continue in Bass' traditional core businesses of brewing, pub retailing, soft drinks and leisure, which all have significant opportunities to grow."

CONTACT: Pamela Karydas or James D. Daniels of Bass PLC, 212-661-4343

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DALLAS, (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Oryx Energy Company (NYSE: ORX) today announced the completion of 18 successful horizontal wells, including three exploration discoveries, in the Pearsall Field during the quarter ending Sept. 30. The wells tested at a combined rate of 13,100 barrels of oil per day (BOPD) and 7 million cubic feet of gas per day (MMcf/D).

During 1990, Oryx Energy has increased its Pearsall Field average gross daily production by 230 percent -- from 6,600 BOPD in January to the current level of 22,000 BOPD. Associated gross natural gas production increased by about 450 percent over the same period, from 2 MMcf/D to 11 MMcf/D. The company's average income interest in its horizontal wells is 80 percent.

Through September, Oryx Energy has completed 55 gross horizontal wells, including 12 discovery wells, and expects to complete 75 gross wells in the Pearsall Field by year's end.

Based in part on data provided by Oryx Energy, the Texas Railroad Commission (TRC) has made permanent the temporary special rules regulating horizontal drilling in the Pearsall Field.

The TRC rules provide for higher allowables and acreage assignments for horizontal wells. The TRC hearing examiner said it is clear that the field is continuing to be developed with horizontal drainhole wells at a remarkable rate and that the temporary field rules appear to be appropriate in the effective and efficient depletion of the reservoir. The temporary rules were adopted in August 1989, in response to an Oryx Energy petition.

Dallas-based Oryx Energy Company is the largest independent oil and gas producer in the world, with assets in excess of $5 billion and proved reserves of more than 1 billion equivalent barrels. Oryx Energy conducts its domestic operations through Sun Energy Partners, L.P., of which it is managing general partner and 98-percent owner. Oryx Energy trades on the New York Stock Exchange with the symbol "ORX" and the partnership with the symbol "SLP".

CONTACT: Tom Sullivan, 214-890-5027 or John O'Keefe, 214-890-6565, both of Oryx Energy Company

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - MEI Diversified Inc. (NYSE: MEI) announced today that it will initiate a program to purchase the company's common stock in the open market. The company has been authorized to repurchase from time-to-time up to one million shares of approximately 5 percent of its common stock.

Donald E. Benson, president of MEI Diversified Inc. stated that management believes that the repurchase of shares will benefit shareholders and that such investment will be a sound use of the company's cash.

MEI recently reported three important developments: the June 1, 1990 sale, at a slight gain, of its Candy and Snack Group to Ezaki Glico Co., Ltd. for cash sale proceeds approximating $58 million; the Aug. 16, 1990 acquisition of New Dimensions in Medicine, a former unit of Baxter Healthcare Corporation the sales of which approximate $35 million; and the Aug. 30, 1990 acquisition of 80 percent ownership in three companies with sales aggregating $400 million engaged in the operation of approximately 2,000 professional beauty salons and related businesses principally in leased space in major department stores throughout the United States and Canada.

CONTACT: James A. Cesario of MEI Diversified, 612-339-8853.

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#90277p1442 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - T Cell Sciences, Inc., (NASDAQ: TCEL) announced today that Dr. Charles C. Edwards, president and chief executive officer of Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation, and former commissioner of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration was elected to the company's board of directors at today's annual meeting of stockholders.

Dr. Edwards was FDA commissioner from 1969 to 1973, and also served as assistant secretary for health, U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare from 1973 to 1975. From 1975 to 1977, he was senior vice president of Becton Dickinson and Co. He is a former director of Becton Dickinson and Co.,

and currently serves on the boards of several corporations. Dr. Edwards received his medical education at the University of Colorado and University of Minnesota, and his undergraduate education at Princeton University. He began his medical career in surgery at the Mayo Clinic.

"Dr. Edwards brings a wealth of experience in FDA, medical and pharmaceutical industry matters to our board of directors," said James D. Grant, chairman and chief executive officer of T Cell Sciences, Inc. "Such experience is critical to T Cell Sciences as we progress in our pharmaceutical product development efforts, especially as we continue preclinical trials and move toward human clinical trials of our complement blocker, and other potential therapeutic products."

Utilizing proprietary T cell receptor and soluble receptor technology, T Cell Sciences, Inc. is developing pharmaceutical products to treat heart disease and autoimmune diseases as well as products for diagnosing and monitoring immune system disorders and cancer. Located in Cambridge, the company currently markets products to the scientific community and an FDA approved test kit to the diagnostic market.

CONTACT: James D. Grant, chairman and CEO or B.G. Susan Primrose, 617-621-1400, of T Cell Sciences; Fred Spar of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for T Cell Sciences

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#90277p1445 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

RADNOR, PA. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Sun Co. (NYSE: SUN) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 45 cents per share on all full shares of common stock outstanding.

The dividend, unchanged from the previous quarter, is payable Dec. 10 to shareholders of record Nov. 9.

CONTACT: Tim Hughes of Sun, 215-293-6543

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#90277p1446 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - EDS announced today it has reached an agreement to acquire Appex Corporation, a leading provider of information services to the cellular communications industry worldwide. Terms of the purchase of the privately held company were not disclosed.

Appex, based in Waltham, Mass., was recently named by Business Week magazine as the fastest growing high-tech startup. Since the company was founded in 1986, Appex has achieved an annual growth rate of 155 percent and entered into more than 250 markets.

Appex offers a variety of products and services to the cellular industry for use in customer management and billing, caller authorization, fraud prevention and intercarrier settlement.

John Harris, president of EDS' Communications Industry Division, said tremendous growth in the cellular telephone industry coupled with Appex's strong market share will bring "new expertise and new opportunity" to EDS.

Some of Appex's largest U.S. customers include McCaw Cellular Communications, PacTel Cellular, Metro Mobile and many others. The company's international presence includes Canada, Mexico, Hungary, Peru, as well as Western Europe and Asia.

Shikar Ghosh, president and chief executive officer of Appex, said global technical support for the cellular industry is critical to meeting customer business needs.

Appex's primary market is the "non-wire line" cellular customer industry where the company has achieved a 90 percent market share. This non-wire line segment represents approximately 50 percent of the total cellular industry and is considered the fastest growing segment by industry experts.

Each year the number of cellular subscribers grows 30 percent nationwide. Currently there are 3.5 million users of cellular telephone services in North America -- a number that is expected to grow to 20 million subscribers by the end of 1995, according to industry experts.

Appex's 180 employees will join EDS and become part of the Communications Industry Division as a wholly owned subsidiary of EDS. The staff will continue to operate out of the Waltham office.

EDS, based in Dallas and with operations in 27 countries, is the leader in providing information technology services. Stock reflecting EDS' performance is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Sauer Industries Inc. Pittsburgh-based venture capital firm, announced the acquisition of Concordia Yacht Builders Inc., one of America's oldest and most distinguished names in custom-designed luxury sailing yachts.

William N. Steitz, chief executive of Sauer Industries, heads a new management

team that includes the seller, Brodie MacGregor, Concordia's owner since 1981. MacGregor retains an interest in the new company, which has been renamed Concordia Custom Yachts Inc.

Donald C. Watson, formerly chief boat builder for COncordia, has been named vice president, operations. Stephen C. Barker, formerly president of Baltic Yachts East, was named vice president, sales and marketing. Michael Hobson will join the firm as technical director and also provide custom sales support.

"For nearly half a century the name Concordia has been synonymous with quality wood boats and now is associated with composite construction in custom yachts " Barker stated. "We plan to build a 53-foot, semi-custom Sparkman & Stephen design and will add 46-foot and 65-foot models from eminent European designers Judel/Vrolijk, whose reputation and winning record in competition should enhance our sales efforts abroad. Dating to 1933, Concordia yachts have an established reputation for high quality, performance and durability. Most of their 40- and 50-year-old boats are still sailing today. In the past 10 years Concordia has developed a more contemporary design program, building boats to perform competitively under the IMS rule while also providing superior offshore cruising capability. Like their predecessors, the newer yachts continue to feature the luxurious wood interiors for which Concordia has been famous.

As recently as the June 1990 Bermuda Race (IMS), Concordia yachts garnered three firsts: Class A with Arcadia, a 69-foot McCurdy & Rhodes design; Class C with Etoile, a 43-foot Bruce Farr model; and Class D with Leda, a 38-foot C. Raymond Hunt design.

The new firm's headquarters and plant are located at 300 Gulf Road, South Dartmouth, Mass.,

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#90277p1449 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGTON, NM (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesa Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ: MESA) today released its traffic figures for September. The airline carried 70,329 passengers in August which is a 93 percent increase over September 1989. Revenue passenger miles increased 130 percent to 14,952,000 and available seat miles were up 102 percent to 30,084,000 as compared to the same time period last year. Load factors also increased to 49.7 percent from 43.6 percent in September of 1989.

This is the 18th consecutive month of traffic increases for the air carrier.

"Despite the Middle East crisis we continue to set records in our traffic,"

said airline president Larry Risley. "It has become increasingly important to monitor fuel prices with respect to our fares. Our pilots have been doing their part to keep operational costs down through fuel conservation and our senior buyer has been monitoring prices at different airports and alerting our pilots to the best places to buy fuel."

Mesa Airlines operates as an independent carrier out of its Albuquerque and Phoenix hubs and as a United Express carrier out of its Denver hub. Skyway Airlines, a wholly owned subsidiary, operates as a code-share with Midwest Express Airlines out of its Milwaukee hub.

MESA AIRLINES INC.

	09/90	09/89	Percent Change	YTD 90	YTD 89	Percent Change
Passengers carried:	70,329	36,444	93	531,845	283,195	87.8
Revenue passenger miles (000):	14,952	6,491	130	108,656	51,723	110
Available seat miles (000):	30,084	14,886	102	220,885	110,631	99.7
Load factor:	49.7pct.	43.6pct.	6.1	49.2pct.	46.8pct.	2.4

CONTACT: Gary Risley of Mesa Airlines Inc., 505-327-0271.

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RICHMOND, VA. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Reynolds Metals Company (NYSE: RLM) has agreed to acquire a 75 percent interest in an aluminum wheel plant in Collingwood, Ontario, in partnership with Lemmerz Canada, Inc., a subsidiary of Lemmerz-Werke KGaA of Konigswinter, Germany. A purchase price for the facility was not disclosed.

Lemmerz, a leading steel and aluminum wheel producer in Europe, will retain a 25 percent interest in the 1 million wheel capacity plant and will continue to participate in the affairs of the Collingwood facility. The plant, commissioned in 1988, is a modern plant with excellent environmental equipment and employs more than 300 people.

"This acquisition will provide Reynolds with a global triangle of wheel manufacturing and marketing capability in North America, South America, and Europe," Randolph N. Reynolds, president and chief executive officer, Reynolds International, Inc., stated.

We plan to draw upon our technology and expertise combined with that of

Lemmerz in Collingwood to better supply customers in North America. Reynolds and Lemmerz have been rated by customers as top aluminum wheel suppliers in terms of quality, design and delivery."

Reynolds operates wheel plants in Bologna, Italy, and Valencia, Venezuela. Lemmerz has operations in Germany, Belgium, Spain, and Brazil, in addition to the Collingwood plant in Canada.

"As managing partner, Reynolds will work with Lemmerz to bring Collingwood to its full operating capacity," the president and chief executive of the company's international subsidiary said. "Our goal is to more than double worldwide wheel capacity to 3.0 million units by 1993 by increasing Collingwood capacity up to 1.5 million units. This will require additional investment and perhaps some restructuring at the Collingwood plant."

The company previously had announced it would build a new aluminum wheel plant in Louiseville, Quebec, which was contingent upon obtaining anticipated orders from the automotive industry. Orders, however, were not forthcoming to support construction of the new plant. Reynolds, therefore, decided to acquire majority interest in the modern Collingwood plant to capitalize on an immediate opportunity to obtain new wheel business which would not await construction of a "greenfield" plant.

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TROY, MI (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Kelly Temporary Services, the nation's largest temporary help company, today introduced new Kelly Service Descriptions and Kelly Skills Review, the only job descriptions and testing system developed exclusively for temporary help jobs in today's multifaceted workplace.

"This system revolutionizes the way we evaluate and classify temporary employees' skills and experience," said Kelly President and Chief Executive Officer Terence E. Adderley. "Our research confirmed that duties, skills and expectations for temporary help jobs are different than those of permanent jobs. As a result, we took a totally different approach, and developed the only system in the temporary help industry that recognizes the fundamental differences between temporary jobs and permanent jobs."

Kelly Service Descriptions identify the skills, experience levels and equipment requirements for each temporary assignment. Organized by job category in a matrix format, this proprietary system is people- friendly, making it easier for organizations to order the right temporary help.

Kelly Skills Review is an evaluation program that tests real workplace skills of an applicant for temporary assignments. This proprietary program accurately measures an applicant's range of abilities to support the requirements of corresponding Kelly Service Descriptions.

Over the past three years, the Kelly Service Descriptions and Kelly Skills Review system was researched, developed, tested and independently validated. During this process, Kelly worked with Personnel Decisions Research Institute (PDRI), a nationally recognized human resources research firm with substantial experience in the testing and validation field.

Kelly and PDRI conducted extensive employee and customer research to identify skills and experience needs for temporary assignments. More than 4,500 Kelly temporary employees and customers were involved in developmental research and testing which verified the fundamental differences between temporary jobs and permanent jobs.

Using the research and temporary job analysis data, the Kelly team designed and developed a new system of job descriptions and tests specifically for temporary help. The Kelly Service Descriptions and Kelly Skills Review system was extensively tested including a nine-month field test in more than 20 Kelly locations to evaluate and validate the system before its implementation nationwide. PDRI independently validated both the Kelly Service Descriptions and the Kelly Skills Review, making the two an integrated system.

Kelly Temporary Services is a division of Kelly Services (NASDAQ: KELYA,KELYB) the Troy-based international temporary help company that employs more than 580,000 temporary employees annually and operates more than 950 offices worldwide.

Kelly Temporary Services division provides temporary employees in the areas of office, marketing, light industrial and technical to 180,000 customers each year.

Earlier this year, Forbes magazine selected Kelly as the "Best Business Services and Supplies Company for the 1990s," and Business Week named Kelly one of America's top "woman-friendly" companies.

CONTACT: Barbara I. Pardue of Kelly Services, Inc., 313-244-4800

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HOUSTON (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - GTE Mobile Communications today completed its purchase of Providence Journal Corp.'s cellular properties in the Southeast, with the exception of Asheville, Jacksonville and Wilmington, N.C., and Lynchburg, Va. GTE expects to close on these four properties later this year or in early 1991, after necessary approvals are received.

The acquisition, together with the pending merger with Contel, will make GTE the second-largest, mobile-cellular company in the United States, serving 51 million pops. ("pops" refers to the population of a market area multiplied by a company's percentage ownership in the cellular system serving that market.)

"Since many of the Providence Journal properties are contiguous to either GTE or Contel operations, this acquisition allows us to derive synergies and expand marketing opportunities," said James L. "Rocky" Johnson, chairman and chief executive officer of GTE.

Examples of contiguous properties include the areas around Raleigh and Durham, N.C., Augusta, Ga., and Roanoke, Va.

"This purchase increases our total cellular-market share and supports our objectives to keep costs down while maintaining high- quality service for our customers," Johnson said.

GTE Mobile Communications Group consists of GTE Mobilnet, which provides mobile-cellular telecommunications services and products in 34 metropolitan service areas and nine rural service areas in nine states, and the National Markets organization, which provides cellular service nationwide. The group also includes GTE Airfone, which provides public telephone service on more than 1,300 commercial aircraft and major AMTRAK routes through GTE Railfone.

GTE subsidiaries operate in 46 states and 41 countries, with combined 1989 revenues and sales of $17.4 billion and net income of $1.4 billion. GTE is a leader in its three core businesses -- telecommunications, lighting and precision materials -- providing products and services worldwide.

CONTACT: Janet Henderson, 713-586-1418 or 713-882-1778; Tony Hamilton, 203-965-2853 or (after 5 p.m.) 203-327-2162; or (in Washington) Julia Spicer, 202-463-5206, all of GTE

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. today announced a decrease in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $1.00/bbl was effective yesterday, Wednesday, Oct. 3, at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$36.00 for West Texas Intermediate $34.00 for West Texas Sour $36.50 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price

Bulletin 90-E53. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Sherri Zippay, 415-894-4581; or Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440; both of Chevron.

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#90277p1472 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDLAND, VA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Ross Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: ROSX) named D. Thomas Boyd to the position of president and chief operating officer on Oct. 1. Ross is a leading manufacturer of packaging machinery for the food industry.

Boyd joins Ross from the Loadmaster Corporation of Culpeper, Va., where he was president and chief operating officer. Loadmaster is one of the nation's best known manufacturers of truck bodies and equipment for the collection and disposal of solid wastes. Prior to joining Loadmaster in 1985, he was vice president for manufacturing for Hackney & Sons Inc., with plants in Washington N.C.; Independence, Kan.; and Culpeper; vice president and general manager of Hackney (Midwest) in Independence; and plant manager for Hackney in Washington N.C., beginning in 1969.

"We are extremely fortunate to have someone with Tom Boyd's strong background and experience join us," said Chairman Henry Ross, "as our expanded production of new packaging and freezing machinery is coming on line. He brings strong engineering, manufacturing, financial, and marketing background to Ross, and adds much depth to our management team."

Boyd has a degree in Mechanical Engineering from N.C. State University and has studied at the Wharton School of Business, American Management Association and Dun and Bradstreet.

He has been active in civic affairs wherever he has been located. He is currently a director of Culpeper Memorial Hospital, the Culpeper Literacy Council, and Cobalt Boats Inc. He is president of the Culpeper Memorial Hospital Foundation and chairman of the Culpeper Industry Council. He is a former director of the Culpeper Chamber of Commerce, chairman of the Kansas State Industry Council, a school board member, Jaycee, and United Way chairman.

Boyd is married to the former Tomarie Peevy of Washington, and they have two children.

CONTACT: James T. McFarland of Ross Industries Inc. 703-439-3271.

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#90277p1474 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FL (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Jon C. Madonna and James G. Brocksmith, Jr., today were elected chairman and deputy chairman of KPMG Peat Marwick, the leading international accounting and consulting firm, at the annual meeting of the firm's 1,850 partners here. The two assume their respective positions immediately.

Peat Marwick, which was founded in 1897, is the United States practice of KPMG the world's largest professional services organization, with operations in 117 countries and $4.75 billion in fiscal 1989 revenues.

Madonna, 47, is the firm's ninth chairman. He succeeds Larry D. Horner, 56, who was elected chairman in 1984 and earlier this year announced he would not seek an additional three-year term. Horner will remain with the firm through June 30, 1991, to assist with the transition of responsibilities. In addition he will continue as chairman of KPMG through Dec. 31, 1990. Madonna will join KPMG's executive committee, the governing body of the international firm, in January.

Madonna served on the firm's board of directors and has been managing partner of the San Francisco business unit since 1986. He joined Peat Marwick in 1968 and was elected to the partnership in 1976.

Brocksmith, 49, succeeds Robert W. Beecher, 59, who will retire from the firm on Dec. 31. Brocksmith has been managing partner of the firm's Chicago business unit since 1986 and served on Peat Marwick's board of directors from 1981 to 1987. He served as managing partner in Columbus, Miami and Minneapolis before moving to Chicago. Brocksmith joined the firm in 1965 and was elected partner in 1971.

KPMG Peat Marwick, with headquarters in New York, provides accounting and auditing, tax, and management consulting services through 135 U.S. offices.

CONTACT: Samuel A. Cypert, 201-307-7602 or 407-239-2988, or John A. Higgins, 201-307-7645 or 407-239-2990, both of KPMG Peat Marwick.

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#90277p1478 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Baker Hughes Incorporated (NYSE, PSE and Zurich: BHI) today announced the signing of a definitive agreement for the purchase of The ChemLink Group, Inc. by Baker Performance Chemicals Incorporated (BPCI), a Baker Hughes subsidiary. ChemLink is a leading supplier of specialty chemical products and services for oil production, pertroleum pipelines and industrial processes.

BPCI will purchase all of the outstanding stock of ChemLink. Consummation of the sale is subject to ChemLink stockholder approval. Closing is expected before the end of October.

James D. Woods, chairman and CEO of Baker Hughes, said, "ChemLink and its employees are an important strategic addition to our oilfield chemicals business, and will allow Baker Performance Chemicals to be a prominent participant in a growing market segment. This acquisition also represents an important enhancement of our penetration into markets for industrial environmental products and services."

Baker Hughes is a leading provider of products and services for the oil, gas and process industries.

CONTACT: Ronald G. Turner of Baker Hughes, 713-439-8668

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#90277p1484 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - WMS Industries, Inc. (NYSE: WMS) today announced that the El Conquistador Partnership has executed commitment letters with the Mitsubishi Bank, Limited for $120 million of senior financing and the Government Development Bank of Puerto Rico for $25 million of subordinated financing representing all of the debt financing necessary to complete the new El Conquistador Resort in Fajardo, Puerto Rico. The resort is scheduled to open in October 1992.

The El Conquistador Resort, to be located on the 220-acre site of the former El Conquistador Hotel, will be built at a cost of approximately $175 million and will have approximately 750 guest rooms, more than 50,000 square feet of convention and meeting facilities, nightclubs, six restaurants, one of the largest casinos in Puerto Rico, approximately 100,000 square feet of swimming pools and water features, a marina, an 18-hole golf course, an approximately 40,000-square-foot clubhouse and spa facility, tennis courts, water sports facilities and a nearby "fantasy island."

Williams Hospitality Management Corporation, which is 50 percent- owned by WMS will provide technical and development services during construction and will manage the new resort after opening. The resort will be 50 percent-owned by the company and its partners in other Puerto Rico ventures and 50 percent-owned by an affiliate of Kumagai Gumi Co., Ltd., a world-renowned Japanese construction company. An affiliate of Kumagai will be the construction manager for the project.

WMS Industries Inc. is engaged in the design, manufacture and sale of coin-operated amusement games and the ownership and operation of hotels and casinos.

CONTACT: Harold H. Bach Jr., CFO of WMS Industries, 312-728-2300, or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for WMS Industries.

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#90277p1486 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
TORONTO (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Campeau Corporation today announced that The Edward J. DeBartolo Corporation (EJDC) has agreed to extend to Oct. 15, 1990 a previously signed agreement whereby EJDC will not exercise remedies against certain collateral as a result of defaults arising under loan agreements with the corporation without first giving nine days notice to Campeau Corporation. The previously signed agreement expired Oct. 3. A similar agreement remains in effect with two subsidiaries of Olympia & York Developments Limited.

CONTACT: Richard W. Wertheim of Wertheim Howe & Company, 416-594- 1600 or 416-276-6612 (home).

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#90277p1492 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK, (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Sir Gordon White, chairman of Hanson Industries, the U.S. arm of Hanson PLC (NYSE: HAN), announced today that a unit of Hanson Industries has signed a definitive agreement to sell its Tucker Housewares business to Mobil Corporation (NYSE: MOB) for $185 million in cash. The sale is subject to normal and customary conditions and approvals.

Tucker, headquartered in Leominster, Mass., is the second largest U.S. manufacturer of plastic housewares, which includes such products as kitchen and sink items, closet accessories, trash containers, waste baskets, laundry baskets, and storage containers.

For the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1989, Tucker achieved pre-tax profits of $13.0 million on sales of $117.8 million. Net asset value is approximately $65 million. For the six months ended March 31, 1990, pre-tax profits and sales increased over 1989 to $8.2 million and $60 million respectively.

Hanson acquired Tucker as part of its $1.6 billion acquisition of Kidde, Inc. in 1987. This sale brings to $718 million the total proceeds that Hanson has realized to date from its sale of Kidde assets.

Sir Gordon stated, "We are very pleased with the contribution Tucker has made to Hanson since the Kidde acquisition. Complemented by the plastics division of Mobil, I am sure that it will continue to provide consumers with excellent value and fine products."

Hanson PLC is a British-American industrial management corporation. In the U.S., Hanson Industries' operations include SCM Chemicals, Peabody Coal, Jacuzzi, Grove Crane, Ames Tools, Universal Gym, Endicott Johnson and Frye Footwear, Hanson Lighting Group, Kaiser Cement, Weber Aircraft, Farberware Cookware, and Gold Fields Mining, among others.

In the United Kingdom, Hanson's holdings include Imperial Tobacco, Ever Ready Batteries, ARC Aggregates, London Brick, Butterley Brick, and Smith Meters.

CONTACT: Karen Levy of Hanson Industries, 212-826-0098

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#90277p1493 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DULUTH, MN. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Norwest Insurance, Inc., a unit of Norwest Corporation (NYSE: NOB), announced today it has completed the acquisition of ANK Agency, a general insurance agency based in Duluth. Terms were not disclosed.

ANK Agency has approximately $7.5 million in annual net premiums. Stephen L. Byrnes, president of Norwest Insurance, said Michael J. Abramson, president of ANK Agency, has joined Norwest Insurance as vice president with responsibility for expanding the agency operations in the Duluth-Superior area and on the Lake Superior North Shore.

Later this month, as part of Norwest Insurance, the agency will move into new quarters on the fifth floor of Norwest Center, 230 West Superior Street, in Duluth.

A Duluth native, Abramson is a 1972 graduate of the University of Minnesota-Duluth with a bachelor of science degree. He worked with another Duluth insurance agency from 1973 to 1977, when he and two partners founded the ANK Agency.

Abramson has served on the board of directors of the Minnesota State Builders Association and on the advisory council of the Zurich Insurance Group.

Norwest Insurance is the largest insurance agency owned by a bank holding company and one of the largest general insurance agencies in the United States. It has 77 offices in 12 states.

Norwest Corporation is a $26.8 billion diversified financial services

organization providing banking, banking-related and specialized financial services through more than 1,290 offices in 47 states and internationally.

CONTACT: Jack Kerr of Norwest, 612-667-0148

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#90277p1494 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - URCARCO, Inc. (NASDAQ: CARS) announced today that it has signed a lease for its second retail lot in San Antonio according to Clifton H. Morris Jr., Chairman and CEO. The Company's first San Antonio lot opened in mid-August.

The new San Antonio retail facility will be located in the downtown area at 3303 Broadway, a major high-traffic thoroughfare. Displaying approximately 150 cars and light trucks, the new lot will also serve as the regional headquarters for the San Antonio/Austin markets. The scheduled opening date has been set for Oct. 15, 1990.

"San Antonio, with its population of nearly a million people, should be an important market for URCARCO," stated Morris, "and our early sales and financing figures are very promising as we begin to establish a market presence in that city."

Morris also indicated that the Company was proceeding with its discussions with an affiliate of Edwin L. Cox Co. and other investors for the organization of a joint-venture company to open URCARCO-type sales lots in the greater Los Angeles area.

URCARCO, Inc. currently operates a chain of 18 used car retail lots in Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston, Austin and San Antonio, selling quality used passenger cars and light trucks and typically financing customer purchases.

CONTACT: Henry T. Stanley, 817-882-7008; or Robyn B. Trent, 817-882-7018; both of URCARCO, Inc.

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#90277p1498 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, Calif. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Irvine Sensors Corp. (NASDAQ: IRSN) announced today the receipt of a $730,000 contract award from the Naval Weapons Center at China Lake to demonstrate a highly miniaturized and sophisticated sensor electronics package for air-to-air missiles. The Navy contract is the 18-month, second phase of an award received by Irvine under the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program.

The objective of the contracts is to incorporate all the infrared sensor electronics of munitions such as Sidewinder or an Advanced Air-to-Air Missile

into a single integrated circuit. Desired functions on this circuit include amplification, bandpass filtering, analog-to-digital conversion, multiplexing and control. The inclusion of the analog-to-digital conversion and control features on the circuit plus a design that permits infrared detectors to be mounted directly on the silicon chip will allow the entire infrared detection and sensing elements to be mounted inside a very small dewar. This consolidation and miniaturization is expected to yield powerful advantages to small missile systems including a drastically reduced sensitivity to electromagnetic pulse effects and an ability to co-locate the infrared sensor with radar homing devices.

Irvine Sensors is planning to build both a 16 channel and 32 channel version of the desired integrated circuit under the Naval Weapons Center program. Each are expected to be compatible with both medium-wave length and long-wave length infrared detectors. Because of this versatility, use of the resulting circuits could extend beyond air-to-air missiles to include virtually all types of terminally guided submunitions.

Irvine Sensors, headquartered in Costa Mesa, is primarily engaged in the development of infrared devices and high density packages of computer electronics which are intended to have broad applications in military and commercial systems.

CONTACT: John Stuart of Irvine Sensors Corp., 714-549-8211

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#90277p1501 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, VA. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobil Chemical Company, a unit of Mobil Corporation (NYSE: MOB), has agreed to buy Tucker Housewares, the second largest manufacturer of plastic housewares in the United States. The Tucker acquisition, for $185 million, positions Mobil as a major manufacturer of injection molded products.

"Tucker is a very successful company with excellent growth potential" Allen E. Murray, Mobil Corporation chairman and chief executive officer, said. "The purchase is another example of Mobil's commitment to making acquisitions that provide a good fit with our existing businesses."

"We're delighted to have Tucker join us," added Philip W. Matos, president of Mobil Chemical. "The addition of well-respected Tucker products significantly strengthens Mobil's position and broadens the scope of Mobil's offering of nationally branded consumer houseware products. The acquisition also provides excellent synergy with our existing distribution network, and Tucker has modern manufacturing facilities and a good environmental performance record."

The seller is HM Holdings, Inc., an affiliate of Hanson Industries, the U.S. subsidiary of London-based Hanson PLC (NYSE: HAN). Mobil initiated

discussions with Hanson at the beginning of this year, and the purchase is expected to be completed later this month.

Mobil entered the durable plastic housewares market in 1989 with the innovative Hefty Designs wastebasket, and recently added new products such as clothes baskets, European-style pails and Press n' Pour beverage pitchers. Mobil already is a market leader in film extrusion (grocery sacks, packaging films, Hefty trash bags) and thermoforming (fast food containers, meat trays, Hefty cups and plates).

Tucker, with sales last year of $130 million, operates in Leominster, Mass., Kingman, Ariz., and Arlington, Texas, and employs 800 people. The company manufactures over 400 different household products, from outdoor trash containers and storage bins to kitchen accessories and closet organizers. Sales are to supermarkets, mass merchants, drug stores, hardware stores, and home improvement centers.

Mobil Chemical Company operates 29 plants in the U.S. and overseas.

CONTACT: John Lord of Mobil, 703-846-2500

-30- 2457

#90277p1503 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

VOORHEES, N.J. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of American Water Works Company, Inc. (NYSE: AWK) voted today to pay a dividend of 20 cents per share on its common stock, payable on Nov. 15, 1990, to holders of record at the close of business on Oct. 26.

At the same meeting, regular quarterly dividends payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to holders of record at the close of business on Nov. 16 were declared as follows:

-- On the cumulative preferred stock, 5-1/2 percent series of 1961 (unlisted), in the amount of 34-3/8 cents a share.

-- On the cumulative preferred stock, 5 percent series, in the amount of 31-1/4 cents a share.

-- On the cumulative preferred stock, 4.90 percent series (unlisted), in the amount of 30-5/8 cents a share.

-- On the 5 percent cumulative preference stock, in the amount of 31-1/4 cents a share.

CONTACT: J.V. LaFrankie, president of American Water Works, 609-346-8200

-30- 1110

#90277p1506 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - International Mobile Machines Corp. (NASDAQ: IMMCC) announced today its new wireless telephone network product which allows telephone companies to offer digital mobile service throughout North America, utilizing spectrum efficient TDMA (Time Division Multiple Access) technology within the normal 4,400-square-mile Ultraphone(R) cell.

This product enhancement will now allow telephone companies to take advantage of the recent FCC ruling permitting mobile service on the Basic Exchange Telecommunications Radio Service (BETRS) frequencies. This will be of major significance in bringing mobile and personal communications to rural America several years ahead of schedule and even ahead of the introduction of digital cellular in the urban market.

Retired Army Lt. Gen. William J. Hilsman, chairman, president and chief executive officer of IMM and former head of the U.S. Defense Communications Agency, said, "It is clear, with the product enhancement, that digital cellular telephony now has a competitor in rural America: digital BETRS telephony."

IMM demonstrated this technology at 800 MHz with handoff and four conversations per kHz channel in 1988 as part of the process that established TDMA as the basis for the digital cellular Interim Standard 54 (IS 54) throughout the United States.

IMM also announced it has received a purchase order for the first of these pioneering systems from the Dell Telephone Cooperative which serves vast expanses of west Texas and New Mexico.

The system was installed and people-tested in a demonstration throughout the Dell City network. Dale Flach, Dell Telephone Cooperative's general manager, said, "We are very excited to be the first telephone company in the world to offer all digital, private, mobile telephone service. Our customers throughout west Texas will have the advantage of digital mobile service, with a high-quality telephony- standard radiotelephone product years ahead of when the rest of the country will see digital cellular. This is clearly the most efficient way to serve both our residential and mobile customers."

Hilsman was quick to point out that IMM is a player in both the BETRS and the cellular telephony marketplace and will remain so. However, because of the decision by the FCC to allow mobile services in the BETRS market, he said he expects telephone companies operating throughout rural America to take advantage immediately of IMM's Ultraphone equipment. Hilsman went on to say, "Market studies show that fixed, transportable and mobile voice and data Ultraphone applications have a vast potential worldwide market."

He noted that despite tremendous telecommunications advances, 65 percent of

the world's population still lives in rural areas and would have been largely by-passed by the digital mobile revolution except for the introduction now of digital mobile BETRS. "The increasingly diverse Ultraphone product line," Hilsman said, "is specifically designed for the fixed, mobile and personal communications network."

"We have used our mobile and transportable Ultraphone in many areas over the past year," said Hilsman. "From park rangers communicating directly from the fire line while battling the Horsefly area fire near Morewood, Colorado; to a plane crash on Long Island; to Operation Just Cause in Panama; to restoral of base communications in the aftermath of Hurricane Hugo at Roosevelt Roads Naval Station in Puerto Rico; Ultraphone has provided reliable telephone service in all these disaster situations. As we now go further with mobile BETRS telephone services, a rancher can call his wife from the range and tell her he will be late for dinner without even getting out of the saddle."

"This product offers four simultaneous telephone conversations per radio channel which compares to the three conversations that the digital cellular standard embraces and is expected to be introduced in late 1991," said Hilsman.

"Perhaps the true importance of this event is the fact that it will take years for digital cellular to reach the rural marketplace, if at all. We are there now!"

IMM is a world leader in wireless digital access technologies.

CONTACT: John A. Goetz of IMM, 215-278-7800

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#90277p1512 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - John H. Harland Co. (NYSE: JH) has agreed to purchase 675,986 shares of Courier Dispatch Group Inc. (NASDAQ: CDGI) stock from Patrick L. Connolly and other members of the founder's family.

This purchase agreement will bring Harland's holdings of Courier Dispatch stock to 1,279,736 shares, with a total of 2,507,937 shares outstanding. Terms of the agreement call for a cash purchase price of $4 per share.

Courier Dispatch Group is a full-service courier organization providing both scheduled and on-call ground and air courier services for transporting the time-sensitive documents of its customers. The company serves financial institutions as well as other commercial industries.

"We have been closely following and investing in Courier Dispatch for a number of years, seeing it to be a good fit with our own financial services," said Robert R. Woodson, CEO and president.

Woodson added that he does not expect the most recent agreement to materially impact Harland's earnings for 1990. Woodson is expected to be nominated to Courier Dispatch's board of directors.

Harland, one of the nation's largest check printers, is a major participant in the financial and educational industries with production facilities across the United States and in Puerto Rico.

CONTACT: Robert R. Woodson, president and chief executive officer, or W. Micheal Dollar, treasurer, both of Harland, 404-981-9460

-30- 1623

#90277p1514 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Graduate Health System board of directors announced today that it is actively pursuing a proposed merger with Community General Hospital of Reading, Pa.

The announcement was made by Harold Cramer, chairman and chief executive officer of Graduate Health System.

"The proposed merger with Community General would be consistent with Graduate Health System's strategic plan for creating a robust regional health care system that delivers high-quality, cost-effective patient care, with an easily accessible local presence and point of system entry," said Cramer.

Since its disaffiliation from the Berkshire Health System, in compliance with the signing of a Federal Trade Commission Consent Order, Community General Hospital has pursued opportunities for a productive, strategic affiliation with another health care system or organization.

June Roedel, Community General Hospital board chairman, said that the hospital's board of trustees is acutely aware of the fact that medium-sized hospitals will need to affiliate in order to meet the demands of a rapidly changing health care environment. "The hospital's search for an appropriate affiliation has been prompted by several important health care environment factors. Hospitals are confronted daily with increased costs for technology and human resources. At the same time, revenues for services rendered are being reduced, causing a squeeze in operating margins. By joining Graduate Health System, we would be able to consolidate some of our business activities and use our available resources more effectively. Our history and our philosophy of care closely parallel that of the Graduate Health System and this is the primary reason we seek this affiliation," said Roedel.

Graduate Health System is a major provider of health care services in the Delaware Valley with more than 1,000 licensed hospital beds. Graduate Health System includes The Graduate Hospital, a tertiary care facility in Center City Philadelphia; Mt. Sinai Hospital, a specialty center for mental health and

physical rehabilitation located in Philadelphia; Rancocas Hospital in Willingboro, N.J., and Zurbrugg Hospital in Riverside, N.J., both community hospitals; multiple outpatient ambulatory care facilities and a health maintenance organization, Greater Atlantic Health Service.

CONTACT: Tony Ryzinski of the Graduate Health System, 215-448-1504.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - National City Corporation (NYSE: NCC) announced today the introduction of Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Services a significant enhancement to its EDI offering using CONNEXION software developed by National Systems Corporation. National City is one of only a few financial institutions able to offer a comprehensive solution to a firm's financial EDI requirements.

In addition, National City is participating with IBM in its Information Network (IIN) for the delivery of the corporation's EDI services. Under this arrangement, customers of IIN can obtain a variety of EDI services from National City. EDI enables companies to exchange business information including payment and remittance data with their trading partners in a standardized, computer-readable format. This can result in significant time and cost efficiencies as well as quality improvement.

Although National City has been originating and receiving corporate electronic transactions for several years, EDI Services will enable the bank to more fully integrate and extend its EDI offering. National City's product includes full electronic lockboxing services whereby National City can report remittance detail to customers in either an electronic or paper format, including transmission through a value-added network such as IIN. Payment and accompanying remittance information can be accepted in whatever format is easiest for customers to use. This includes ANSI 820/823, BAI and proprietary formats. Offering a variety of formats makes it simpler for customers to update their receivables.

National City Corporation is a $23 billion bank holding company headquartered in Cleveland. The corporation's principal banking units include National City Bank, Cleveland; BancOhio National Bank, Columbus; and First National Bank of Louisville. Other member banks include National City Bank, Akron; First National Bank, Dayton; Gem Savings Association, Dayton; CommerceNational Bank, Lexington; and Ohio Citizens Bank, Toledo. National City also has 11 community banks serving cities and towns throughout Ohio, Kentucky and southern Indiana.

National City's subsidiaries and divisions offer a wide range of financial services, such as credit card, retail payment and airline ticket processing, trust and investment management, leasing, merchant and mortgage banking,

venture capital, small business and community investment and credit life insurance. These units include Franklinton Financial Services, National Processing Company, First Kentucky Trust Company, National City Trust Company, NCC Merchant Banking, National City Mortgage Company, W. Lyman Case & Company, National City Community Development Corporation, National City Life Insurance Company and NC Investments.

CONTACT: Paul J. Markovic, vice president, NCC Transactions Products Group, 216-575-9268; or Margaret P. Flynn, vice president, NCC Corporate Communications, 216-575-2440.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - LifeCore Biomedical, Inc. (NASDAQ: LCBM) today announced the successful completion of its $7 million offering of Chaska Minn., Industrial Revenue Development Bonds. The financing, which will fund LifeCore's new combined headquarters and manufacturing facility, officially closed on Sept. 27, 1990. The entire bond offering was placed with one institutional investor by Dougherty, Dawkins, Strand and Yost, Inc.

With its present facilities arrangement, LifeCore's administrative offices and manufacturing operations are separately located. When completed, the company's corporate headquarters will occupy a 66,000- square-foot building on a 33-acre site in the City of Chaska. The facility's design, including its high-volume, state-of-the-art manufacturing center, is intended to improve operating efficiency and significantly enhance production volume.

James W. Bracke, LifeCore's chief executive officer, noted that anticipated growth in each of the company's product categories indicates a clear need for the added capacity the new facility will generate. He also stated, "This move is a major commitment to our ongoing relationship with the Ethicon Division of Johnson & Johnson, supporting their investment in R & D based on LifeCore's patented sodium hyaluronate." Bracke added, "Although our investment in the new facility will affect LifeCore's earnings in the short term, its long- term strategic value is confirmed by strengthening demand from other functional applications of the company's products. Those areas include drug delivery research by the Hyal Pharmaceutical Corporation in Canada, applications in the orthopedic market, and expansion of the Orthomatrix Division's oral restorative market which includes the Sustain(TM) dental implant system."

LifeCore develops, manufactures and markets high purity biomaterials and medical devices used in orthopedic, ophthalmic and dental surgery. The company has aligned itself with large, well-established medical companies to broaden the commercial applications for its proprietary products. Those companies include divisions of Nestle SA, Johnson & Johnson, United States Gypsum Company and Biomet, Inc. LifeCore's common stock is traded on the national market system under the NASDAQ symbol LCBM.

CONTACT: Colleen Olson or James W. Bracke, of LifeCore Biomedical, 612-379-8080; or Tom de Petra of First Financial Investor Relations, 612-338-7630, for LifeCore

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WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - In discussions today, Ingersoll-Rand (NYSE: IR) management stated that a sudden decline in certain businesses is such that the company expects results in September and the third quarter to be below expectations.

New orders and sales will show year-to-year gains, but pricing and inflationary pressures, product mix and longer delivery cycles on some orders, together with weakening domestic markets, are placing pressure on margins and profitability.

Corrective actions already initiated in the groups affected should minimize the impact on ongoing results, provided the overall economy remains steady.

CONTACT: Richard D. Johnson, 201-573-3087, or Paul A. Dickard, 201-573-3291, of Ingersoll-Rand

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DFW AIRPORT, TX (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - American Airlines announced today that it will begin daily nonstop service on Dec. 15 between its Miami hub and both Managua, Nicaragua, and St. Thomas and St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

American also said it will begin operating nonstop between Miami and Lima, Peru, on Nov. 1; will inauOulate service between Miami and New York's Islip Airport--the carrier's fourth New York area destination for the Miami hub--on Nov. 17, and will begin flying nonstop between Miami and Santiago, Chile, on Dec. 2.

The new routes and improved schedules are part of an overall expansion and strengthening of the Miami hub under which American will add a total of 52 jet flights a week to and from the Caribbean and Central and South America during the fall and winter period.

By the time the buildup is completed, American will serve Miami with 82 flights a day to 44 destinations, including 21 points in Central and South America. American Eagle has another 44 flights to 13 destinations at Miami. Employment for American, American Eagle and AMR Services at Miami is now nearly 3,500 people.

"The Miami hub continues to grow and expand, and we are extremely pleased with the performance of our Central and South American route network since the introduction of that service in July and August," said Peter J. Dolara, American's senior vice president for the Caribbean and Latin America.

"This latest expansion is part of a long-term plan to broaden and improve the Central and South American route structure, and to continue to build the Miami hub into a major Latin America gateway," Dolara said.

Donald P. O'Hare, the airline's vice president-field services for Florida, the Caribbean and Latin America, said American has already invested more than $50 million in the Miami hub terminal. He estimated that the hub will pump more than $300 million into the Miami economy in 1990.

CONTACT: Al Becker of American Airlines, 817-967-1577

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#90277p1541 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

WIXOM, MI (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Secom General Corporation (NASDAQ: SECM) today announced that it posted a profit of $338,848, or $0.31 per share, on sales of $3.03 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a profit of $87,655, or $0.08 per share, on sales of $2.11 million for the same quarter last year.

The company posted earnings of $768,284, or $0.70 per share, for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 on sales of $9.44 million, compared to earnings of $376,283, or $0.33 per share, for the prior year.

The quarterly and yearly sales and earnings results are the best results the company has ever had, said a spokesperson for the company.

Earnings from operations for the quarter were $0.30 per share vs. $0.09 for the same quarter in the prior year. Earnings from operations for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $0.70 per share vs. $0.21 per share for the prior year.

"The increase in earnings for fiscal 1990 are the result of higher sales and profit margins from the company's subsidiaries Form Flow and L & H, and from sales and profits from the company's recent acquisition of Micanol," said Roy A. McKnight, chairman and CEO.

"We expect 1991 sales and earnings results to improve dramatically over 1990," McKnight further stated.

He said that the company's 1991 goal for its existing companies is $12 million in sales and earnings of $1.1 million, or about $1 per share.

The company recently completed a 3-for-100 reverse stock split effective Sept. 4, 1990, thereby reducing its outstanding shares to about 1.1 million.

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#90277p1544 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation's (NYSE: C) Board of Directors today elected Thomas J. Osborn Treasurer of the corporation.

Osborn, 47, replaces Frederick W. Zuckerman who has announced his intention to retire.

Osborn was Vice President-Financial Controls for Chrysler Financial Corporation.

He joined Chrysler in 1969 as an auditor in the General Auditor's Office. He held several senior financial management positions in the offices of the Corporate Controller and Treasurer before being named General Manager-Dealer Enterprise Operations in March, 1983.

He became Executive Director-Corporate Planning in 1989 and Vice President and Controller of Chrysler Financial Corporation in April 1990. He became Vice President-Financial Controls for Chrysler Financial in August 1990.

Osborn is a native of Pittsburgh. He received his B.S.B.A. from Duquesne University in 1965 and his M.B.A. from Michigan State University in 1978. He was a Sloan Fellow at Stanford University in 1975.

Osborn lives in Birmingham, Mich.

CONTACT: Tom Houston of Chrysler, 313-252-8790.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - BLOCKBUSTER Entertainment Corporation (NYSE: BV) and FUJITA & CO. Ltd. ("FUJITA") of Japan have signed a letter of intent covering the joint development and franchising of BLOCKBUSTER Video Superstores in Japan. BLOCKBUSTER and FUJITA will begin with development of 15 prototype Superstores.

The transaction is subject to negotiating a definitive agreement. FUJITA owns and operates seven sports complexes in Japan, imports U.S. and European high-fashion products into Japan and owns and operates the Wax Museum in the Tokyo Tower. FUJITA is also part owner of McDonald's Company (Japan) Ltd., which owns or is the franchisor of McDonald's restaurants in Japan, and is a

partner in the development of Toys "R" Us stores in Japan. All of these enterprises operate independently and are not a part of the relationship between BLOCKBUSTER and FUJITA.

BLOCKBUSTER Entertainment Corporation is the world's largest video retailer. As of Oct. 1, the BLOCKBUSTER system had 1,463 stores, of which 744 were company-owned and 719 were franchised. BLOCKBUSTER Video stores are located in 44 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, Canada and the United Kingdom.

CONTACT: Steven R. Berrard or Wally Knief of BLOCKBUSTER Entertainment Corporation, 305-524-8200

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LAKE HAMILTON, FL (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Orange-co, Inc. (NYSE: OJ) announced today that it has completed the previously announced sale of a 560-acre citrus grove located in St. Lucie County, Fla. Proceeds from this transaction are just over $5 million. All profits are fully sheltered from income taxes.

It is the third grove sale which Orange-co has closed in the last five weeks. A total of 2,760 acres have been sold for cash of about $32.6 million. Proceeds have been used to strengthen the company's balance sheet by paying down bank debt. The combination of cash proceeds from grove sales and internally generated cash flow have reduced the present level of outstanding bank debt to $9 million from a peak level of over $55 million earlier this year.

This transaction represents a continuation of the restructuring plan announced in April by Ron Divin, Orange-co's chief executive officer, which encompasses the sale of approximately 22 percent of the company's Florida real estate and other assets in order to improve its profitability, cash flow, balance sheet and return on assets.

The restructuring plan will allow the company to improve the productivity of its 17,600-acre Joshua Grove, more effectively pursue its institutional beverage company business plan and ultimately pursue diversification within the agribusiness/food complex.

CONTACT: Robert A. Peiser of Orange-co, Inc., 313-540-9040.

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#90277p1552 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLUE BELL, PA (OCT. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Healthcare (NASDAQ: USHC) today announced it will receive $2 million in settlement of its defamation lawsuit against Independence Blue Cross (formerly Blue Cross of Greater Philadelphia),

Pennsylvania Blue Shield and Blue Cross former President David Markson.

Blue Cross and the other defendants agreed to pay the $2 million less than 72 hours before the U.S. Supreme Court rejected their petition for review of an appellate court decision that rejected their claim that healthcare advertisers may legally publish false or misleading statements in certain circumstances under the cloak of Constitutional protection.

The lawsuit was originally brought by U.S. healthcare in 1986 to combat what it claimed was false advertising and scare tactics by Blue Cross and Blue Shield aimed at U.S. Healthcare's health maintenance organizations which had won over many Blue Cross subscribers.

U.S. Healthcare president Leonard Abramson said, "The settlement vindicates our position with respect to the advertising. We hope that it benefits all purchasers of health care by establishing that health care advertisers will be held to standards established by state and federal law for all advertising," he added.

U.S. Healthcare Inc. is one of the nation's leading operators of health maintenance organizations (HMOs), with 1 million members in the mid-Atlantic, Greater New York and New England marketplaces. U.S. Healthcare is dedicated to providing quality health services to its members while aggressively seeking solutions to the spiraling costs facing the healthcare system.

CONTACT: Dava Guerin of Weightman Shaefer Public Relations, 215-561-6100, or 215-635-5985

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - AMAX Inc. announced that its board of directors today declared a quarterly dividend of 20 cents per common share, unchanged from the previous quarter. The dividend is payable Dec. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 12, 1990.

The directors also approved payment of the regular quarterly dividend of 75 cents per share on the Series B convertible preferred, payable March 1, 1991 to shareholders of record Feb. 11, 1991.

CONTACT: Penelope Pappas of AMAX, 212-856-5998.

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#90277p1558 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Knight-Ridder Inc. (NYSE: KRI), today announced the election of Peter C. Goldmark Jr. and William S. Lee to its board of directors.

Knight-Ridder Chairman and CEO James K. Batten said: "Knight-Ridder's board of directors has been strengthened further by the addition of Peter Goldmark and Bill Lee. They are extraordinarily accomplished individuals and leaders. Their broad experience and wise counsel will be invaluable to Knight-Ridder in the years ahead."

Goldmark, 49, is president of The Rockefeller Foundation, one of the nation's largest and most prestigious philanthropic organizations. He served from 1985 to 1988 as senior vice president of Times Mirror Co., publisher of the Los Angeles Times. Prior to that, he was executive director of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey from 1977 to 1985, director of the budget for the state of New York from 1975 to 1977 and secretary of Human Services for the commonwealth of Massachusetts from 1971 to 1975. He holds a bachelor's degree in government from Harvard College.

Goldmark is an overseer of Harvard University, a trustee of the Neurosciences Research Foundation and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Lee, 61, is chairman and president of Duke Power in Charlotte, N.C. He joined the company in 1955, becoming vice president/engineering in 1965 and a Duke Power board member in 1968. He was named senior vice president/engineering and construction, and joined the company's executive committee in 1971. He became executive vice president in 1976, president and chief operating officer in 1978 and chairman and chief executive officer in 1982. He was named chairman and president in 1989. He holds a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from Princeton University.

Lee was a founder and first president of the World Association of Nuclear Operators, of which the United States, Soviet Union and 29 other nations are members. He is a director of J.P. Morgan & Co., Morgan Guaranty Trust Co., the Liberty Corporation and Texas Instruments.

CONTACT: Frank N. Hawkins Jr., 305-376-3838, or Lee Ann Schlatter, 305-376-3839, both of Knight-Ridder, Inc.

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HOUGHTON, MI (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Upper Peninsula Energy Corporation (OTC: UPEN) has declared a quarterly dividend on common stock of 55-1/2 cents per share, record date Oct. 12, payable date Nov. 1.

CONTACT: Dennis G. Barrette of Upper Peninsula Energy Corporation, 906-482-0220

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WEST CHESTER, Pa. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The launch of The Joan Rivers Classics Collection of fashion jewelry on the QVC cable shopping channel on Sept. 29 was an overwhelming success, according to Joseph M. Segel, chairman of QVC Network Inc. (NASDAQ: QVCN).

Viewer response to Joan Rivers and her fashion jewelry collection was so strong during the three-hour live telecast that Rivers enthusiastically agreed to return the following day for a one-hour encore.

During the four hours that Rivers appeared on QVC, viewers phoned in orders for more than 27,000 pieces of the star's favorite jewelry, totalling $1.3 million.

Segel stated, "The idea of wearing a piece of jewelry that has a story behind it or a sentimental meaning to a celebrity is very appealing to the American public. The success of the launch of this new line of jewelry on the QVC cable shopping channel also further validates the effectiveness of QVC in introducing a new product line simultaneously to millions of homes across the country."

"Based on this resounding success, Joan Rivers is planning a return appearance on QVC in early December to present many new pieces from her collection for the holiday season," Segel added.

CONTACT: Ellen Langas Campbell of QVC, 215-430-8996

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GREENBELT, MD. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. David L. Blanchard, executive director of Ford Aerospace's Space Programs Operation (Seabrook, Md.), has presented a check from the Ford Motor Company Washington Area Community Relations Committee to Dr. Frank Stetson, principal of the Prince George's County DuVal High School in Greenbelt, Md. The check in the amount of $500 is to help defray administrative costs associated with ongoing efforts to develop DuVal into an aerospace magnet school.

Dr. Blanchard, chairman of the DuVal High School Aerospace Committee, made the presentation at the inaugural Aerospace Technology Program held at DuVal High School.

Dr. Blanchard and the DuVal High School Aerospace Committee, which is composed of senior executives from the local aerospace industry (ST Systems Corporation Lockheed, Bendix, OAO, Computer Sciences Corporation, RMS Technologies, Inc.) government agencies (Goddard Space Flight Center and Andrews Air Force Base) and academicians from area universities, advise Dr. Stetson and DuVal on aerospace related curricula and facility plans.

This past summer, the committee implemented a placement program which employed high school faculty members and students in temporary summer assignments at various aerospace companies. "Our goal," stressed Dr. Blanchard, "is to educate today's teachers on the future requirements of the aerospace industry so that they may better prepare tomorrow's workforce."

The committee was also instrumental in the implementation of "Opportunity Skyway," at DuVal, a program designed to interest at-risk youths on careers in aviation. This program is being administered by the Prince George's Private Industry Council in cooperation with the Prince George's Public Schools, the Aerospace Industry, the University of Maryland, the FAA Flying Club, Inc., and other public and private organizations.

"We were very excited to be able to offer this program to students at no cost to them. This is just one of many ways we are attempting to encourage our youth to look at the vast opportunities available to them in the aerospace world," Dr. Blanchard said.

Ford Aerospace, a wholly owned subsidiary of Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F), is a leader in command, control, communications and intelligence systems; tactical weapons systems; space systems; and professional and technical services. The corporation is headquartered in Newport Beach, Calif., with major operations in Northern and Southern California, Colorado, New Mexico, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, and the Washington metropolitan area.

CONTACT: Don Flamm of Ford Aerospace, 714-760-2800

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PEARL RIVER, N.Y. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. (NYSE: ORU) today declared a dividend of 58-1/2 cents per share on the company's common stock. The dividend is payable on Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 15, 1990. This is equivalent to an annual dividend rate of $2.34 per share.

The dividend will be O&R's 318th consecutive quarterly payment. Approximately 27,000 shareholders own the 13 million shares of common stock outstanding.

The board also declared regular quarterly dividends on all outstanding preferred and preference stock.

Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. and its subsidiaries serve an area of 1,350 square miles and an estimated population of 655,000 in southeastern New York State, northern New Jersey and northeastern Pennsylvania. It generates, distributes and sells electricity, and distributes and sells natural gas.

CONTACT: Alan Freedman of Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc., 914-577-2922

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PEARL RIVER, NY (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. (NYSE: ORU), today declared a dividend of 58-1/2 cents per share on outstanding common stock, payable Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 15, 1990.

Directors also voted the following quarterly dividends of the company's eight issues of preferred and preference stock:

$1.52 convertible cumulative preference stock, Series A -- a dividend of 38 cents, payable Nov. 2, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 15, 1990.

Preferred stock Series A (4.65 percent) -- a dividend of $1.17, payable Nov. 1 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 15, 1990.

Preferred stock Series B (4.75 percent) -- a dividend of $1.19, payable Jan. 1 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 17, 1990.

Preferred stock Series D (4.0 percent) -- a dividend of $1.00, payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 17, 1990.

Preferred stock Series F (4.68 percent) -- a dividend of $1.17, payable Jan. 1 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 17, 1990.

Preferred stock Series G (7.10 percent) -- a dividend of $1.77, payable Jan. 1 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 17, 1990.

Preferred stock Series H (8.08 percent) -- a dividend of $2.02, payable Jan. 1 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 17, 1990.

Preferred stock Series I (8-1/8 percent) -- a dividend of $2.035, payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 17, 1990.

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HOUSTON, (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP) said today it has completed its public offering of $250 million of 10-3/8 percent senior notes due Oct. 1, 2000 and $150 million of 10-3/4 percent senior debentures due Oct. 1, 2010. Lehman Brothers was the underwriter.

Coastal said it intends to use the net proceeds from the offering for the

repayment of short-term borrowings and indebtedness under revolving credit facilities.

The Coastal Corporation is a Houston-based energy holding company. It has consolidated assets of $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal and chemicals, and independent power production.

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#90277p1588 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Comshare Inc. (NASDAQ: CSRE) today announced the first Macintosh and OS/2 versions of its market- leading Commander Executive Information System (EIS) at the Comshare Users Conference in Anaheim. These first releases are functionally equivalent to the new DOS release, version 2.1, which was also introduced at the conference.

Commander 2.1 gives a corporation the flexibility to use any combination of Macintosh, OS/2 and DOS workstations within the same EIS. Commander makes use of the special efficiencies of each environment to increase application developers' productivity, yet presents a consistent interface to executives, regardless of the workstation hardware they use.

COMMANDER 2.1 SIMPLIFIES EIS IMPLEMENTATION THROUGHOUT THE CORPORATION One of Commander's major goals is to provide cross-platform support for all executive applications. Regardless of which platform is used to create the Commander application, it can be built once, and will run on Macintosh, OS/2 and DOS workstations. This commitment to cross-platform portability significantly reduces the development and maintenance effort required to support an environment with various workstation operating systems. The open architecture and information integration capability of Commander allow reports and data produced by other Macintosh, OS/2, DOS and host applications to be incorporated into the EIS without application conversion. Commander workstations can be connected to a host or a LAN depending on the corporate information systems needs.

Commander OS/2 is a full IBM Presentation Manager application. Its Commander Builder follows the Common User Access (CUA) guidelines for a consistent interface to all other SAA software. It includes LAN support using IBM's token Ring and OS/2 Communications Manager, allowing documents, data and models to reside on a host, LAN or workstation. OS/2 Extended Edition 1.2 and an IBM 286, 386 or equivalent computer with at least 4 MB RAM are required.

For the Macintosh user, the standard Macintosh menu bar can be displayed at the top of the screen, providing access to other Macintosh functions and applications. The Macintosh Commander Builder uses a Macintosh-style menu bar

pull-down menus and selections boxes. In addition, a number of the most frequently used Builder functions are available as quick tools at the bottom of the screen, allowing the provider to quickly build and change screens. Commander Macintosh can launch and control HyperCard scripts or other Macintosh applications. Commander requires Macintosh System Software, version 6.0.5 or higher, MultiFinder and HyperCard or SuperCard. Minimum system requirements are Macintosh II with 4 MB RAM and a 40 megabyte hard disk.

Comshare, a $100-million international application software vendor based in Ann Arbor, Mich., is the worldwide market leader in providing executive information and decision support system solutions to large corporations.

CONTACT: Ricia Hughes of Comshare, 313-994-4800, ext. 250; or Julia Mason of Corporate Communications Associates, 312-977-0077, for Comshare.

-30- 3325

#90277p1600 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO, (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Varity Corporation (NYSE: VAT) said today its board of directors has authorized the purchase of 590,000 Class I Series A convertible preferred shares, or approximately 5 percent of the 11,842,536 outstanding shares. Each preferred share is convertible into 6.8493 common shares and the proposed purchase represents the equivalent of approximately 4,040,000 common shares.

The company said purchases of the Class I Series A preferred shares could commence as early as Oct. 15, 1990 and will terminate not later than Oct. 14, 1991. The shares may be purchased from time to time on the Toronto, Montreal and New York stock exchanges. All shares that are purchased will be canceled.

Neil D. Arnold, senior vice president and chief financial officer, said the company believes its shares are significantly undervalued and a repurchase program constitutes a prudent use of corporate funds. He noted that the company had already announced its intention to eliminate the Class I preferred share issue as part of a continuing program to generate value for shareholders.

Varity has also been buying back debt securities over the past two months. The company recently announced the repurchase of U.S. $40.5 million in subordinated notes issued last year to help finance the acquisition of Kelsey-Hayes, a major supplier of automotive components. Varity has indicated it plans to reduce long-term debt by U.S. $150 million during fiscal 1990.

CONTACT: J.R. Nowling of Varity, 416-593-2773

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#90277p1604 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRINGTON PARK, NJ (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of United

Water Resources (NYSE: UWR) declared the regular quarterly dividend of 22 cents per share of common stock.

The action was announced by Robert A. Gerber, chairman, after the board's meeting today. The dividend is payable Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 15.

United Water Resources is the parent company of Hackensack and Spring Valley water companies, utilities serving over one million people in New Jersey and New York, and Rivervale Realty Company, a real estate subsidiary. United Water has paid continuous cash dividends on its common stock since 1886.

CONTACT: Martha Green or Cindy Munley, 201-767-9434, or evenings and weekends, 201-487-0011, of United Water Resources

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#90277p1606 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Raytheon Company's United Engineers & Constructors subsidiary announced today that it has won a contract to perform initial engineering for what could become the largest clean air power plant retrofit project to date in the United States.

United Engineers & Constructors (UE&C) will assist the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) with preliminary design for flue gas scrubbers on three coal-fired electrical generating units: two 1300-megawatt units in Cumberland City, Tenn., and one 1150-megawatt unit near Drakesboro, Ky.

TVA awarded this project in anticipation of the new Clean Air Act that Congress is expected to pass before the end of the year. UE&C will first provide preliminary engineering and a cost estimate and schedule. Upon TVA's authorization of project funding, UE&C would then proceed with detailed engineering, procurement and construction. Current projects of this size and character are anticipated to cost at least $700 million. At a time when the business of protecting the environment is increasing by billions of dollars each year, Raytheon subsidiaries already have provided environmental protection systems for more than 200 blue chip clients around the world. More specifically, United Engineers has implemented clean air retrofits for 10 major utilities.

Harold H. Wilson, Jr., the UE&C vice president of sales who negotiated the contract, said, "We won this contract on the basis of our extremely strong background of successful experience in this technology and our ability to proceed aggressively to meet a possible 1995 completion requirement."

Industry analysts have estimated that more than 100 exsisting U.S. power plants will have to be retrofitted to meet the emission standards contained in the clean air legislation now before Congress.

United Engineers & Constructors International provides engineering, construction and maintenance services through its subsidiaries to a wide range of industries across the U.S. and abroad. Units of the company employ about 6,000 professional and support people worldwide.

Raytheon Company (NYSE: RTN), headquartered in Lexington, Mass., is active in electronics, aviation, appliances, industry and environmental services, publishing and construction. It had 1989 sales of $8.8 billion and employs 77,000 worldwide.

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MIDDLETOWN, CT (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Pratt & Whitney delivered the first production F117-PW-100 engine for the new U.S. Air Force C-17 airlifter to the Douglas Aircraft Company in ceremonies here.

Pratt & Whitney is under contract to McDonnell Douglas to provide engines for the C-17. This first engine will be shipped to C-17 subcontractor, LTV, in Fort Worth, Texas, to be fitted with a nacelle. It will then move to Long Beach, Calif., for installation on the first production C-17 transport.

The F117 is a military version of the PW2000 engine that has been selected by 12 airlines to power some 500 Boeing 757 commercial aircraft. PW2000 engines have accumulated more than 2 million flight hours since beginning commercial service in December 1984. This total will climb to more than 4 million hours by the time the first C-17 squadron achieves operational readiness in 1993.

In remarks during the ceremony, L.A. Snead, Pratt & Whitney vice president for airlift programs, said, "This delivery is a major milestone for the C-17 program and for Pratt & Whitney. We are pleased to be a member of the Air Force-McDonnell Douglas team that is producing the airlifter of the future. We are committed to delivering engines that fully meet the expectations of our customers."

The C-17 is the cornerstone of Military Airlift Command's plans for the 21st century. It will provide the capability to deliver outsized cargo over intercontinental distances to austere airfields that are too small for today's large transports.

"We expect great things from this engine and the C-17," Snead said. Pratt & Whitney's Government Engine Business, based in West Palm Beach, Fla., designs, develops and supports military jet engines. Pratt & Whitney is a unit of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX).

CONTACT: Don Carson of Pratt & Whitney, 407-796-6072

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#90277p1609 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTMONT, IL (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Mervyn C. Phillips, chairman of the board of Primus Develoment Group II, Ltd., and Mac Anderson today announced the closing of the acquisition of Lombard, Ill.-based Great Quotations, Inc. and Graphic Corp., which does business under the name Celebrating Excellence. Anderson is president and CEO of Graphic Corp. and Great Quotations.

As a result of the acquisition, the original shareholders in Great Quotations, Inc. and Graphic Corp. will own a 66 1/2 percent majority interest in Primus II. There will be 1,713,322 shares outstanding.

(1) GREAT QUOTATIONS: A publisher and distributor of business, humorous, and inspirational gift books (51 titles) utilizing quotations as its trademark. Principal distribution channels are gift stores, department stores and book stores. The products are also sold to corporations to be used for customer and promotional gifts.

(2) CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE (owned by Graphic Corp.): A direct mail catalog company selling proprietary gifts which promote quality, customer service and success. Again, products with quotations are its trademark. Primary targets are sales managers, business owners, sales people and meeting planners.

(3) GOLF GIFTS INC.: A company in which Great Quotations owns 42 1/2 percent selling proprietary golf gifts to gift and department stores in the U.S. and other English-speaking countries. The gifts are also sold to pro shops and to corporations who sponsor golf outings for their customers.

Total sales for these businesses in 1989 were approximately $5,675,368. Hayne Miller & Farni of Minneapolis, Minn. presently makes a market in the stock.

Anderson has extensive experience in starting companies who have become leaders in their industry. He was vice president of sales, and part owner, of Orval Kent Food Company (1972-1979), and president and founder of McCord Travel (1980-1984). Orval Kent is now the largest manufacturer of fresh prepared salads in the world and McCord Travel is one of the largest independently owned travel companies in the Midwest.

CONTACT: Mac Anderson, 708-953-1222, Primus Development Group II, Ltd.

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#90277p1610 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVING, TX (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - In a major expansion of its high-stakes bingo games telecast via a satellite network, Gamma International, Ltd.,

(NASDAQ: GAMM) has scheduled an additional 30 million-dollar, MegaMillion(SM) games to be played by New Years, 1992. This additional $30 million in prize money is part of Gamma's program to offer players the greatest possible rewards in prizes. Seventy percent of all bingo card sales is reserved for prizes, a higher rate of return than any state lottery. All prizes are pari-mutuel.

So far, nearly $19 million has been awarded in jackpot and daily consolation prizes since the network began broadcasting on Feb. 17, 1989, $7.8 million of it paid to the 14 winners who have won the $500,000 jackpot to date and eight $100,000 jackpot winners. On May 27, 1990, Gamma paid a $1 million prize to the winner of its MegaMillion Bingo game.

Jack Saltiel, Gamma's president, said the million dollar games will be played Oct. 7, Nov. 17 and 24, three times over the New Year weekend, the exact dates to be announced later, and an estimated 24 times next year. He said these MegaMillion games often draw record crowds to the halls and help make Gamma's bingo games the most exciting in the nation.

He noted that the addition of a non-American Indian hall run by a charitable institution in Vermont meant that Gamma had moved from a $500 million Indian bingo market to a $4.5 billion charitable game market. Saltiel added that the company hopes to add an additional 95 bingo halls in seven states, which allow high-stakes bingo games to be played in charitable halls.

Gamma currently operates its simultaneously telecast bingo games over a network of 45 halls in 14 states including Alabama, Arizona, California, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Vermont, Washington and Wisconsin.

CONTACT: Jack Saltiel of Gamma International, 214-869-4390, or Sam Witchel of Scharff, Witchel & Co., 212-983-1060, for Gamma International.

-30- 2230

#90277p1613 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today reported its U.S. assembly plants' schedule for the week of Oct. 8.

Newark (Del.) Assembly Plant will continue to operate two 9-1/2-hour daily shifts next week. Newark will also operate two overtime shifts on Saturday, Oct. 6.

The company reported that its Belvidere (Ill.), Sterling Heights (Mich.), Dodge City/Warren (Mich.) Truck, Toledo (Ohio) and St. Louis No. 2 (Fenton, Mo.) assembly plants will operate two eight-hour daily shifts next week.

St. Louis No. 1 (Fenton, Mo.) will continue to operate a single eight-hour

daily shift next week.

CONTACT: Alan Miller or Doug Nicoll of Chrysler, 313-956-2894

-30- 870

#90277p1615 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOKFIELD, WI (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - George R. Schonath, chairman and chief executive officer of Bando McGlocklin Capital Corporation (NASDAQ: BMCC), today announced that the board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend equal to 22 cents per share payable on Nov. 15 to shareholders of record on Oct. 15.

Founded in 1980, Bando McGlocklin Capital Corporation provides secured financing to small businesses and is a federal licensee under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958.

CONTACT: Cynthia Garland of Garland Public Relations, 617-522-7708 or 414-964-0126, for Bando McGlocklin

-30- 775

#90277p1639 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB Texas National Bank, as trustee of Sabine Royalty Trust (NYSE: SBR), today announced a cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of $0.11776 per unit, payable Oct. 29, 1990 to unit holders of record on Oct. 15, 1990.

CONTACT: Ron E. Hooper of NCNB Texas National Bank, 214-508-2400, for Sabine Royalty Trust.

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#90277p1640 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Regent Enterprises, Inc. announced today that they have agreed to acquire their exclusive sales agent Graphicomp Systems, Inc. in an exchange of stock transaction.

Graphicomp Systems, located in Carol Stream, Ill., holds an exclusive sales and management contract to represent Regent in the sale of all packaging products. The contract calls for Regent to pay Graphicomp Systems 7 percent of sales and has approximately 14 years remaining. Under the terms of the agreement Regent paid Graphicomp Systems approximately $1.4 million in 1989.

Regent will acquire 100 percent of Graphicomp Systems in exchange for 4 million shares of Regent common stock. Regent's board of directors approved the acquisition based on an independent valuation and the price of Regent stock at the time of approval. The transaction is subject to the

consummation of TSL Incorporated's acquisition of Regent Enterprises, Inc.

CONTACT: Richard A. Andolshek of Regent Enterprises, 612-484-9620

-30- 1192

#90277p1641 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DRESHER, PA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Selvac Corporation (NASDAQ: SLVC) disclosed that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on Oct. 3 seized approximately 50 cases of the company's Finally Free(R) Hair Remover, a product intended for home use, at its Dresher, Pa. warehouse.

The complaint for forfeiture alleges that Selvac Corporation has not complied with Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetics Act in marketing the product.

The company pointed out that the issues raised in the complaint have been the subject of an ongoing dispute with the FDA over the marketing status of this product, and that an appeal before the agency was pending at the time of the seizure.

This action by FDA creates a significant probability that Selvac Corporation will be prevented from marketing or distributing the Finally Free Hair Remover for non-professional use in the United States in the future. While it continues to attempt to negotiate a satisfactory resolution of this matter, the company said it is prepared to defend its position in a court of law.

CONTACT: Michael B. Freedman, president of Selvac, 508-481-9495.

-30- 1287

#90277p1642 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA, (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) today reported traffic results for September 1990.

Revenue passenger miles (RPMs) totaled 4.568 billion during September, an increase of two-tenths of 1 percent from the same month a year ago. Available seat miles (ASMs) rose 6.5 percent to 8.417 billion for the month. Load factor for September 1990 was 54.28 percent.

Delta's 1990 traffic figures continue to reflect the impact of a strike against a major competitor which has now resumed operations.

DELTA AIR LINES SEPTEMBER 1990 TRAFFIC

	September 1990	September 1989	Pct. chg.
RPMs (000)	4,568,400	4,557,400	+0.2
ASMs (000)	8,416,700	7,899,400	+6.5
Load Factor	54.28 percent	57.69 percent	
Passengers			

boarded	4,935,800	5,169,300

1990 YEAR-TO-DATE

	1990 YTD	1989 YTD	Pct. chg.
RPMs (000)	44,633,900	45,070,500	-1.0
ASMs (000)	74,114,200	69,619,700	+6.5
Load Factor	60.22 percent	64.74 percent	
Passengers boarded	49,808,300	51,615,800	

CONTACT: Delta public relations, 404-765-2533

-30- 1526

#90277p1646 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - LifeCore Biomedical, Inc. (NASDAQ: LCBM) today announced that on Friday, Oct. 5, 1990, the company will break ground on a new 66,000 square foot corporate headquarters facility located on 33 acres of land in Chaska, Minn.

Presently, LifeCore administrative offices and manufacturing facilities are housed in two separate Minneapolis locations.

President and CEO Jim Bracke stated, "Our new facility will convey a campus-like atmosphere and be located on one of Chaska's most desirable parcels." He added that the location will retain its current park-like setting, with abundant wildlife and scenic views. LifeCore's new headquarters is scheduled for completion in August 1991 and will house a high-volume, state-of-the-art manufacturing center which should greatly enhance the company's production volume and improve operating efficiency. When construction is completed and the facility is completely staffed, the company will rank as the 12th-largest employer in Chaska.

LifeCore manufactures and markets high purity proprietary biomaterials and sterile medical devices. The company's common stock is traded on the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol LCBM.

CONTACT: Colleen Olson or James W. Bracke, of LifeCore Biomedical, 612-379-8080; or Tom de Petra of First Financial Investor Relations, 612-338-7630, for LifeCore.

-30- 1575

#90277p1649 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBOROUGH, MA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - New England Electric System (NYSE: NES) (NEES), the region's second largest electric utility, has dedicated more than $4 million in 1990 to conduct research on environmental concerns such as acid rain and global warming, and to spearhead advances in energy conservation.

"As a utility company, our job is to provide low-cost, reliable electricity to our customers," explained George Sasdi, senior vice president and chief engineer of NEES. "In the process, we are committed to minimizing the environmental impacts of electricity generation and to assisting our customers in using energy wisely. That's why we have dedicated more than $4 million this year on environmentally-oriented research projects which could benefit not only NEES and our customers, but the entire utility industry as well."

Some of the environmentally-oriented research projects which NEES is independently conducting this year include:

-- Identify and test different types of coal which can be burned in existing units and emit less sulfur dioxide.

-- Test new types of coal and oil burners in our power plants to improve efficiency, utilize a wider range of fuels, and reduce emissions.

-- Analyze downstream migration habits of Atlantic salmon to determine methods which could assist the fish as they bypass hydroelectric plants on the Connecticut River.

-- Investigate various methods to manage vegetative growth in wetland areas under transmission lines in an effort to minimize environmental impacts.

NEES also has committed a total of $4.5 million to work on a broad range of research initiatives in cooperation with other utilities across the country through the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), a non-profit organization headquartered in Palo, Alto, Calif. Approximately $1.6 million of the EPRI funding is included in the $4 million cited earlier.

New England Electric System is a public utility holding company headquartered in Westborough, Mass. Subsidiaries include three retail operating companies - Massachusetts Electric Company, which serves 906,000 customers in 146 Massachusetts communities; The Narragansett Electric Company, which serves 314,000 customers in 27 Rhode Island communities; and Granite State Electric Company, which serves 34,000 customers in 21 New Hampshire communities.

CONATCT: Christine A. Baratta of NEES, 508-366-9011 (days) or 617-498-9880 (evenings).

-30- 2649

#90277p1650 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Media General (AMEX: MEG) announced today that it was retaining its Garden State Paper 220,000-ton newsprint recycling mill in Garfield, N.J., which had been for sale.

Management's assessment of the intrinsic value of its recycling operations

continues to escalate, as the country's interest in recycling efforts increase along with publishers' interest in using recycled newsprint.

"Efforts to find a purchaser at what we believe to be the current value did not produce an acceptable offer," said J. Stewart Bryan, III, chairman, president and chief executive officer.

"Given the encouraging economic prospects for recycled newsprint, we are delighted to have Garden State Paper Co. remain a vital element of Media General."

Media General owns daily and Sunday newspapers in Richmond, Va., Tampa, Fla., and Winston-Salem, N.C.; network affiliated broadcast television stations in Tampa and Jacksonville, Fla., and Charleston, S.C.; two cable television franchises in Northern Virginia, as well as smaller publishing, printing and electronic data-based operations.

In addition, Media General has a 40 percent interest in a group of 15 daily and 25 weekly newspapers, plus a one-third ownership in a recycled newsprint operation in Dublin, Ga., and a 49 percent interest in a Mexican newsprint mill.

CONTACT: David L. Jordan, 804-649-6280, or Robert W. Pendergast, 804-649-6657, both of Media General, Inc.

-30- 1639

#90277p1659 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN BERNARDINO, CA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The first functional test car for the Peacekeeper Rail Garrison launch control system was delivered to the Air Force today at Rockwell International Corp.'s (NYSE: ROK) Command and Control Center.

The car, an engineering model launch control car, is destined for command and control checkout and functional interface testing at Vandenberg Air Force Base Calif. It subsequently will undergo mobility testing at the Association of American Railroads' Transportation Test Center in Pueblo, Colo.

Car equipment includes a complete launch control console with communications and power racks -- less radios, a complete power bay with diesel generators and all car environmental control systems.

The operational version of the launch control car will carry the command, control and communications equipment and personnel needed to launch the Peacekeeper intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) from the train.

Rockwell's Command and Control Systems Center, a part of the company's defense electronics business, is developing the Rail Garrison launch control system

under contract to the Air Force Ballistic Missile Organization.

The launch control system includes the launch control and two security cars per train. The security cars will protect the train from the front and rear and house the security force and the systems and equipment needed to sense threats to the train.

The Air Force Rail Garrison concept calls for deploying 50 Peacekeeper missiles aboard 25 specially-built trains that will be located at existing Air Force bases. Each train will have two locomotives, two missile-launch cars, a maintenance car, fuel tank car, the Rockwell-built launch control and security cars and various supporting cars.

Rockwell has already delivered three mass simulation engineering model cars to the Transportation Test Center for an extensive series of tests aimed at proving car rail worthiness. For the tests, the cars were loaded with ballast to simulate the weight and location of operational equipment.

Rockwell International is a $12 billion, multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphic businesses.

CONTACT: Tony Longo of Rockwell International, 714-762-4195.

-30- 2528

#90277p1660 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

WELLESLEY, MA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - EG&G (NYSE: EGG) announced today that it terminated its negotiations with TI Group plc (UK) for the sale of EG&G's Fluid Components Technology Group.

John Kucharski, chairman of EG&G, said, "Our outlook for these businesses has always been and remains positive." Kucharski went on to note that the corporate acquisition program remains on course and is not affected by the termination of these negotiations.

EG&G is a diversified Fortune 300 company that employs more than 30,000 people worldwide to provide advanced scientific and technical products and services to commercial and governmental customers. The company's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol EGG.

CONTACT: Deborah S. Lorenz of EG&G, Inc., 617-431-4306; or M.H.J. Radcliffe, TI Group, 011-44-235-555570 (UK).

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#90277p1661 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HYANNIS, MA. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Cape Cod Bank and Trust Company

(NASDAQ: CCBT) reported a net loss of $809,149 or $.35 per share for the quarter ended September 30, 1990, compared to earnings in the previous year of $2,345,557 or $1.00 per share. The third quarter loss reduced earnings for the year-to-date to $1,434,462 or $.63 per share.

Noal D. Reid, the bank's Executive Vice President and Treasurer, said that the decline in earnings was due to a larger than expected provision for loan losses, which in turn was caused by a continued deterioration in the value of real estate held as collateral in the bank's loan portfolio. The loan loss accrual for the third quarter totaled $4 million, bringing the bank's total reserve to $7.3 million. At September 30, real estate acquired through foreclosure totaled $6.6 million, nonaccrual loans totaled $20 million and other loans past due 90 days or more totaled $14.7 million.

At the close of the third quarter, total deposits of $498 million were 2 percent ahead of 1989 levels and loans at $332 million were 8 percent lower.

CONTACT: Noal D. Reid of Cape Cod Bank and Trust Company, 508-394-1300

-30- 1340

#90277p1663 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Officials of the USS division of USX Corp. (NYSE: X) announced today the company will begin early negotiations in Pittsburgh Oct. 15 on a new Basic Labor Agreement with the United Steelworkers of America (USW).

The current four-year labor contract expires Feb. 1, 1991. The agreement to begin four weeks of negotiations, starting Oct. 15 and concluding Nov. 10, was announced by Thomas W. Sterling, vice president-employee relations for USS, who will be the company's chief negotiator in the bargaining.

The announcement came following a meeting between company and union representatives in Pittsburgh today.

Sterling noted that the company initiated the move toward early bargaining.

"We are optimistic that these early negotiations will result in an agreement between the company and union that will be in the best interests of all concerned -- the company and its employees," Sterling said.

Under the current Basic Labor Agreement, the two sides are contractually obligated to begin negotiations for a new agreement 60 days prior to the Feb. 1, 1991, expiration date.

CONTACT: Tom Ferrall of USX, 412-433-6899.

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#90277p1664 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
VAN NUYS, CA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Electro Rent Corp. (NASDAQ: ELRC) achieved increased earnings in the first quarter of the current fiscal year, Daniel Greenberg, chairman and chief executive officer, told shareholders at the annual meeting today.

Reflecting slightly increased revenues in rental and leasing revenue, but continued lower levels of sales of used equipment, the company experienced modestly reduced revenues in the period, Greenberg said.

Revenues for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, amounted to $25,604,000, compared with $26,677,000 a year ago. Net income for the period was $1,864,000, equal to 44 cents per share, as against $1,703,000 or 41 cents per share, in the prior fiscal year. Average shares outstanding were 4,192,000.

Greenberg said: "We are holding our own in a very difficult market climate. Our cash flow is strong, reducing current debt 8 million dollars from a similar period last year, and thus reducing interest expenses by $400,000. Selling, general, and administrative expenses were marginally lower for the quarter, as we continued to carefully control our costs.

"In line with the more stable to positive trends in the rental and leasing portions of our business, we have increased our equipment purchases. Our purchases have emphasized the computer/workstation product lines which are moving well at this time. The equipment pool at Aug. 31, 1990, was $230 million, which represented a $6 million expansion from the May 31, 1990, level of $224 million."

Greenberg concluded: "Given the present business climate, we are continuing to build sound profitable business, while developing a posture more conducive to growth."

Electro Rent Corp. is one of the largest nationwide organizations devoted to the short term rental and leasing of general purpose electronic test equipment microcomputer development systems and computer terminals.

CONTACT: James McMorrow of Foristall, for Electro Rent Corp., 213-626-4524.

-30- 2159
#90277p1668 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific-Atlanta Inc. (NYSE: SFA) announced today that its San Diego operation has been awarded a $20 million contract with options, which would bring the total to $32 million, for the design and production upgrade to the Navy's Fast Time Analyzer Systems.

This program will enhance future anti-submarine warfare capabilities by

providing state-of-the-art shore-based reconstruction capabilities for maritime patrol aircraft missions. The effort includes the first article system and 10 additional systems; contract options allow the Navy to procure 10 more systems through 1993. The systems will be installed in ASW operations centers around the world.

The Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command is the Navy's program management arm with technical direction provided by the Naval Electronic System Engineering Activity. Scientific-Atlanta's team included PRB Associates Inc. and Metron Inc.

Scientific-Atlanta is a leader in cable television electronics and satellite-based communications networks, as well as a key supplier of electronic instrumentation for industrial, telecommunications and government applications.

CONTACT: Scott Wood of Scientific-Atlanta, 404-925-6377.

-30- 1387

#90277p1670 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ZEELAND, MI (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Herman Miller, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MLHR) today reported the following results for its fiscal quarter ended Sept. 1, 1990.

Net sales increased 13.0 percent and net income increased 23.8 percent for the three months ended Sept. 1, 1990, over first- quarter results a year ago. During the three months ended Sept. 1, 1990, the company achieved record net sales of $232,239,000 and net income of $10,767,000, equal to 42 cents per share, compared with sales of $205,488,000 and net income of $8,695,000, or 34 cents per share, in the three months ended Sept. 2, 1989.

Net sales of foreign operations in the first quarter ended Sept. 1, 1990, were $34,769,000 compared to $25,799,000 last year, resulting in net income of $1,230,000 compared to $729,000 last year.

The backlog of unfilled orders at Sept. 1, 1990, was $168,010,000 compared with $177,521,000 a year earlier and $212,017,000 at June 2, 1990. James H. Bloem, vice president and chief financial officer, said, "We achieved an increase in consolidated net sales for this fiscal quarter of 13.0 percent, which compares to an approximately 2.0-percent increase reported by the Business Institutional Furniture Manufacturers' Association, the office furniture trade association, for the same period. While the order flow remains uneven, the significant increases in market share and net income were achieved through the increasingly effective efforts of all employee-owners. This progress is both gratifying and essential in the current competitive and uncertain environment."

Herman Miller, Inc. is an international firm engaged primarily in the manufacture and sale of furniture systems, products, and related services principally for offices and, to a lesser extent, for health- care facilities and other uses. The company's stock is traded on the National Market System for over-the-counter stock issues (NASDAQ symbol MLHR).

Financial highlights for the three months ended Sept. 1, 1990, and Sept. 2, 1989, follow:

HERMAN MILLER, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	Sept. 1, 1990	Sept. 2, 1989
Net sales	$232,239,000	$205,488,000
Income before income taxes	17,367,000	14,070,000
Taxes on income	6,600,000	5,375,000
Net income	$10,767,000	$8,695,000
Earnings per share	$.42	$.34
Common share equivalents	25,701,494	25,650,337

HERMAN MILLER, INC.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited)

	Sept. 1, 1990	Sept. 2, 1989
Assets		
Current assets Cash and short-term investments	$8,161,000	$12,775,000
Accounts receivable (net)	150,852,000	128,025,000
Inventories	84,975,000	79,465,000
Prepaid expenses	11,679,000	15,129,000
Totals	255,667,000	235,394,000
Net property & equipment	221,305,000	213,754,000
Other assets	75,506,000	80,790,000
Totals	$552,478,000	$529,938,000
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Current liabilities		
Notes payable	$23,750,000	$47,807,000
Accounts payable	43,029,000	34,512,000
Accrued liabilities	57,119,000	49,778,000
Totals	123,898,000	132,097,000
Long-term debt	88,043,000	96,389,000
Deferred items	14,978,000	17,011,000
Stockholders' equity	325,559,000	284,441,000
Totals	$552,478,000	$529,938,000

CONTACT: Jim Bloem, 616-772-3653, or Jim Von Ins, 616-772-3326, both of Herman Miller, Inc.

-30- 4239
#90277p1672 10/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE, (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - PharmaKinetics Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PKLB) today announced the signing of a letter of intent under the terms of which Applied Bioscience International Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: APBI) would acquire the assets of the North American bioequivalency testing and clinical research business of the company.

The proposed transaction, which does not include PKLB's German subsidiary, International Bio Research (IBR) or PKLB's potential licensing fee income on products now pending at the Food and Drug Administration, is subject to completion by APBI of its due diligence review and the execution by the parties of a definitive purchase agreement. The transaction would need to be approved by the boards of directors of both companies and by the shareholders of PKLB. The letter of intent envisages that APBI would make a cash payment at closing of $4.8 million, with further contingent payments of $2 million over a period of up to five years, and would assume certain specified liabilities associated with the acquired assets including equipment leases and bond debt on existing facilities. APBI is a broadly based scientific research and development company, providing services under contract to the pharmaceutical, agrochemical, general chemical and food industries.

Previously announced adverse events at the company and in the U.S. pharmaceutical industry have negatively affected the company's ability to meet the financing requirements of domestic operations as a going concern. In response to this challenge management has vigorously been pursuing various financial restructuring alternatives. The signing of this letter of intent and the concurrent commitment of its commercial lending institution to provide the company with a line of credit while the proposed transaction progresses, is believed by management to meet the company's current needs.

For PharmaKinetics' fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 it attained revenue of $27,131,007 which compares to revenue of $26,758,199 for the prior year. The company recorded a loss of $3,768,483 or 40 cents per share in the current fiscal year which compares to a profit of $2,784,626 or 30 cents per share in the prior year. Included in the loss are nonrecurring expenses of $2,854,252 relating to the restructuring of the company's operations, legal fees, and other incurred and anticipated expenses.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, the company reported revenue of $6,459,959 which represents a 5 percent decline over the fourth quarter of the prior year. A loss of $3,078,750 or 33 cents per share was incurred in the recent quarter which compares to net income of $808,707 or 9 cents per share for the comparable three months ended June 30, 1989. Nonrecurring expenses of $2,500,252 were included in this loss.

CONTACT: Steven A. Woodman, president and chief executive officer, PharmaKinetics Laboratories, Inc., 301-385-4500

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - PharmaKinetics Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PKLB) today announced the signing of a letter of intent under the terms of which Applied Bioscience International Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: APBI) would acquire the assets of the North American bioequivalency testing and clinical research business of the company.

The proposed transaction, which does not include PKLB's German subsidiary, International Bio Research (IBR) or PKLB's potential licensing fee income on products now pending at the Food and Drug Administration, is subject to completion by APBI of its due diligence review and the execution by the parties of a definitive purchase agreement. The transaction would need to be approved by the boards of directors of both companies and by the shareholders of PKLB. The letter of intent envisages that APBI would make a cash payment at closing of $4.8 million, with further contingent payments of $2 million over a period of up to five years, and would assume certain specified liabilities associated with the acquired assets including equipment leases and bond debt on existing facilities. APBI is a broadly based scientific research and development company, providing services under contract to the pharmaceutical, agrochemical, general chemical and food industries.

Steven A. Woodman, president and chief executive officer of PharmaKinetics, commenting on the announcement said: "We believe this proposed transaction is an extremely positive development for our shareholders, employees and clients. This is a desirable solution to the financing challenges currently facing the company.

"PharmaKinetics, upon successful completion of the deal, will be able to go forward and fully develop, on a very focused basis, its profitable subsidiary, International Bio Research (IBR), evaluate other business opportunities and manage the remaining assets of the company, which includes the potential of licensing fee income from three products currently under review at the FDA."

Previously announced adverse events at the company and in the U.S. pharmaceutical industry have negatively affected the company's ability to meet the financing requirements of domestic operations as a going concern. In response to this challenge management has vigorously been pursuing various financial restructuring alternatives. The signing of this letter of intent and the concurrent commitment of its commercial lending institution to provide the company with a line of credit while the proposed transaction progresses, is believed by management to meet the company's current needs.

For PharmaKinetics' fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 it attained revenue of $27,131,007 which compares to revenue of $26,758,199 for the prior year. The company recorded a loss of $3,768,483 or 40 cents per share in the current

fiscal year which compares to a profit of $2,784,626 or 30 cents per share in the prior year. Included in the loss are nonrecurring expenses of $2,854,252 relating to the restructuring of the company's operations, legal fees, and other incurred and anticipated expenses.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, the company reported revenue of $6,459,959 which represents a 5 percent decline over the fourth quarter of the prior year. A loss of $3,078,750 or 33 cents per share was incurred in the recent quarter which compares to net income of $808,707 or 9 cents per share for the comparable three months ended June 30, 1989. Nonrecurring expenses of $2,500,252 were included in this loss.

The company's subsidiary, International Bio Research (IBR), continues to exceed expectations for revenue and profit growth. IBR, which has its own line of credit and bank loans, has not been affected by the challenges facing the U.S. operating unit.

PharmaKinetics Laboratories, Inc. is a leading drug development company providing services to pharmaceutical and biotechnology firms seeking new drug approvals in the United States and Europe.

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HOUSTON, (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Baroid Corporation (NYSE: BRC), announced that on Sept. 25, 1990, the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit issued its decision in Baroid's favor in connection with the appeal filed in the matter of Baroid Corporation vs. Exploration Logging, Inc.

Exlog, a subsidiary of Baker Hughes, Inc. had alleged infringement of its patent relating to various aspects of the acquisition, storage, telemetry and verification of data acquired with measurement-while- drilling technology. Four patent claim groupings were at issue. The case arose from Baroid's challenge to the validity of Exlog's claims.

The Federal District Court previously ruled in favor of Baroid on all material issues. Exlog appealed from that decision. The court of appeals held that "...all of the claims at issue are invalid for obviousness..."

The decision of the Federal Appeals Court supports the position that Baroid had consistently maintained since the lawsuit was filed. According to Pat Murray, president of Sperry-Sun Drilling Services, a subsidiary of Baroid Corporation, "The decision of the Federal Appeals Court further confirms our position as a leader in measurement-while- drilling technology."

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TULSA, OK. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Kern River Gas Transmission Company has notified shippers that it is prepared to initiate construction of its natural gas pipeline this December based upon shippers promptly confirming sufficient volumes under their firm contracts.

Nine shippers have signed firm contracts for natural gas transmission totaling the 700 million cubic feet per day (MMcfd) initial capacity of the Wyoming-to-California pipeline. Other shippers have requested an additional 155 MMcfd of capacity, should it become available.

"This is what we have been working toward for more than five years," said Vernon T. Jones, president of The Williams Companies, Inc., (NYSE: WMB) referring to the start-up of construction. Kern River is a joint venture of Williams and Tenneco Inc. (NYSE: TGT).

"This project is a very important strategic and economic investment for our companies," Jones said. "It will link key producing areas to vital markets at a time when our country's energy supply requires rapid development."

The system is designed so that it can be readily expanded to 1.2 billion cubic feet per day.

The 904-mile pipeline will transport natural gas produced in Canada and the Rocky Mountain region of the United States. Most of the gas will be used to generate steam for enhanced oil recovery in the heavy oil fields of Kern County, Calif.

If Kern County were a state, it would be the fourth-largest oil producer in the country, with an estimated 3.2 billion barrels of remaining recoverable reserves.

But, the extremely heavy crude must be heated before it can be pumped to the surface. Because no alternative fuels have been available to make the necessary steam heat, producers have had to burn one-third of all the oil they produce.

The clean-burning gas shipped on Kern River will allow all the oil produced to be refined.

"President Bush has called on his staff and the agencies to find ways to immediately help reduce our country's dependence on foreign oil while not harming the environment," Jones said. "This project perfectly fits that directive."

In September, Kern River announced it had placed orders for four 12,600-horsepower compressor units and 66 ball valves. In March, it placed orders for more than 310,000 tons of 36-inch diameter steel pipe. Deliveries of pipe should start during the first part of December.

Construction of the system will begin on its southern end near Bakersfield, Calif. It will take about a year to build the pipeline to its northernmost point at Opal, Wyo.

Besides serving the enhanced oil recovery market, gas shipped on Kern River also will be used for distribution by utilities, production of electricity, cogeneration of electricity and steam and other industrial applications.

The Williams Companies is a Tulsa-based corporation that operates a nationwide digital telecommunications network and more than 25,000 miles of pipelines, which transport natural gas and petroleum products.

Tenneco Inc. is a Houston-based, diversified company with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, shipbuilding, automotive parts, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

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CANTON, OH (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Diebold, Incorporated (NYSE: DBD), which recently finalized a joint venture with IBM Corporation (NYSE: IBM) called InterBold(TM), today announced a new corporate organization that provides the focus needed to improve Diebold's global competitiveness and meet its strategic growth plans.

According t Robert W. Mahoney, chairman and chief executive officer, Diebold has established two business units -- Diebold North American Sales and Service which has responsibility for the customer service group and the sales and software support organizations, and Diebold Security Products, which will develop physical and electronic security and facility products for worldwide markets. These business units and InterBold will be supported by six corporate groups.

"With the formation of InterBold, the new Diebold organization for our other businesses makes the utmost sense," said Mahoney. "We can focus our resources and energies on the growth of our security business as well as on our North American distribution channels for sales and servie."

He added, "The new Diebold has been structured to meet both our strategic revenue and profit plans and to greatly expand the corporation's global

markets, specifically in physical and electronic security products where we'll be seeking distributors, acquisitions, joint ventures and licensing agreements around the world."

William T. Blair has been named vice president, North American Sales and Service. His responsibilities include: Diebold's customer service business, which provides maintenance for all Diebold products as well as for other manufacturers' equipment; sales of Automated Transaction Systems products, such as the video dispensing machine and automated fuel system; sales of ATM's to all but the largest U.S. financial institutions; and sales of security products to all markets.

Bartholomew J. Frazzitta, as vice president, Security Products, is responsible for research and development, engineering, manufacturing and the global marketing of physical and electronic security and facility products for worldwide markets.

Diebold, Incorporated is a world leader in the automation of self-service transactions, security products, software and service for these systems. Headquartered in Canton, Ohio, Diebold maintains offices worldwide.

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BOISE, IDAHO (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - William J. Agee, president and chief executive officer of Morrison Knudsen Corp. (MK) (NYSE: MRN), today announced that its wholly owned subsidiary National Projects Inc. (NPI) has been awarded an approximately $160-million contract for general construction of a 760-megawatt-capacity pumped-storage hydroelectric project in northwest Georgia.

NPI received the notice from Oglethorpe Power Corp., of Tucker, Georgia, the nation's largest power generation and transmisison cooperative.

Our expertise and long history of success with heavy-civil projects such as this contributed greatly to our successful bid," said Agee. "We are particularly pleased to be involved in pumped-storage technology that could play a big role in the world's energy future by providing clean hydroelectric power while recycling water."

Major features of the work include construction of a two and one-half-mile-long earth-fill perimeter dam for an upper reservoir, a 1,600-foot-long main dam and seven auxiliary dams for a lower reservoir, and erection of a three-unit powerhouse. NPI also will install turbines, penstocks and related equipment. Work will begin in October with completion scheduled for mid-1995.

Morrison Knudsen Corp., is an international engineering, design, environmental construction, rail systems and mining company.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Washington Scientific Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: WSCI) said today that it expects to report a net loss of approximately 35 to 40 cents per share for its fourth quarter ended Aug. 26, 1990, compared with net earnings of 41 cents per share from continuing operations for the same period in 1989.

Final results are expected to be announced in approximately three weeks, after completion of the audit. The company previously reported net earnings of 38 cents per share for the first nine months of fiscal year 1990, resulting in approximately break-even results for fiscal 1990.

Clifford W. Dinsmore, president and CEO, said that fourth quarter performance was affected by lower than expected sales volumes and gross margins in both the company's Contract Manufacturing Division and its Advanced Custom Molders subsidiary. "We are making progress, but margin pressures are continuing," Dinsmore said. "We were particularly affected by higher than expected costs in our plastics business during the quarter. Start-up costs are beginning to decline in our computer peripherals area, but they continue to be high on our other new non- computer industry projects, which are important to the long-term success of the company."

Washington Scientific Industries is a Minnesota-based provider of high precision manufacturing services for a variety of industries. The company's Contract Manufacturing Division produces metal components and subassemblies in three plants located in Minnesota and California, and its Advanced Custom Molders subsidiary produces thermoplastic injection molded components in two Texas plants.

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GREENVILLE, S.C. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Gates/FA Distributing (NASDAQ: FACO) reported financial results for the fiscal year and fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990. For fiscal 1990, the company had revenues of $166.5 million, a 69 percent increase over the 1989 annual revenue of $98.6 million.

The company reported a pre-tax profit of $110,000 for fiscal 1990, compared to $1,000 for the year earlier period.

The operating income before interest expense for 1990 was $2.9 million, compared to $1.5 million in 1989. Without a $470,000 expense for consolidation of the facilities, and a one-time write-off of $147,000 in deferred registration costs, the operating income would have been $3.5 million and income before income taxes and extraordinary credit would have been $727,000.

After the provision and extraordinary credit for income tax, however, due in part to alternative minimum tax rules, the company showed a net loss of $62,000, or less than 1 cent per share.

Selling, general and administrative costs (SG & A) as a percentage of sales decreased to 7.5 percent for fiscal 1990, from 7.9 percent for the year earlier period, reflecting the continued ability to achieve higher sales volumes without a corresponding increase in overhead. Management expects that expenses as a percentage of sales will continue to decrease, as centralization efficiencies and cost-cutting programs continue.

The sales increase for the year is attributable to new product lines and geographical locations acquired through the merger with Gates Distributing Inc. (effective March 1, 1989), as well as to internal growth.

For the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, net sales were $35.4 million versus $36.4 million, for the similar quarter a year ago, reflecting a decrease of 2.8 percent. Management attributes this decrease in sales volume for the fourth quarter to the company's efforts to decrease its volume of low-margin sales, to the loss of the Toshiba line, and to the fact that through the consolidation of the sales offices, many of the salespeople were in transit to new locations.

According to Steve Owings, president and CEO of Gates/FA Distributing, "We have added some new vendor lines to replace the lost Toshiba revenues. Also, the consolidation costs are well behind us and we now look forward to reaping the benefits of increased efficiencies while we offer what we believe to be a key competitive strategy in the microcomputer distribution industry -- the ability to ship overnight to our customers nationwide."

Gates/FA Distributing is a national distributor of a select number of high-quality microcomputer product lines. Serving only the reseller, Gates/FA offers "Next Day/No Extra Cost!" delivery from its centralized-hub warehousing facility. The corporate headquarters are located in Greenville, S.C. at 803-234-0736. The national toll-free sales telephone number is 800-332-2222.

F.A. COMPUTER TECHNOLOGIES INC.
d.b.a. GATES/FA DISTRIBUTING

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

	Year Ended June 30	
	1990	1989
	(In thousands, except per share data)	
Net sales	$166,490	$98,625
Cost of goods sold	150,415	88,840
GROSS PROFIT	16,075	9,785
Selling, shipping, general, and administrative	12,531	7,775
Acquisition expenses		196
Severance expense		357
Offering expense	147	
Facilities consolidation expense	470	
	13,148	8,328
OPERATING INCOME	2,927	1,457
Other income (expense)		
Interest expense	(2,840)	(1,450)
Other - net	23	(6)
	(2,817)	(1,456)
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES AND EXTRAORDINARY CREDIT	110	1
Provision (credit) for income taxes		
Current	(3)	388
Deferred	307	(305)
	304	83
(LOSS) BEFORE EXTRAORDINARY CREDIT	(194)	(82)
Extraordinary credit-tax benefits from utilization of operating loss carryforwards	132	83
NET INCOME	$(62)	$1
Per share data		
(Loss) before extraordinary credit	$(.01)	$ i
Net (loss) income	$ i	$ i

(i) Less than $.01 per share

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BOSTON (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Gillette Company's (NYSE: GS) Sensor shaving system has been a remarkable success since its January market introduction, according to leading retail audits. Demand is 30 percent ahead of expectations, with 20 million razors sold in the first eight months of the year -- the original Sensor razor sales forecast for the entire year. The

Sensor razor is the largest selling razor in the North Atlantic markets, and blades have already attained about an 8 percent retail dollar market share in the U.S., a level substantially higher than originally projected. This success is echoed throughout both North America and Europe, where Gillette Sensor has paced strong overall market performance by the company.

"In last fall's announcement of the launch of Sensor, we confidently projected its success would usher in a new era of shaving worldwide," said John Symons, president, Gillette North Atlantic Group. "These market data are proof that Sensor is the most successful new product launch in the history of Gillette and the most innovative shaving system on the market today."

A key part of Gillette's business strategy has been to build the higher-value shaving systems segment. This strategy is substantiated by the audit data that demonstrate growth in the systems market segment overall (+2.1 current vs. 1989) while the disposable market has shown a slight decline of 0.8.

Former users of disposables constitute 27 percent of current Sensor customers, and give Sensor performance overwhelmingly high ratings, in line with company projections. Overall preference for Sensor is significantly high (average of 88 percent) among previous disposables users of both Gillette and competitive brands.

Sensor Users of Diverse Shaving Backgrounds Agree on Pluses Joining former disposables users in their praise, Sensor customers include former users of systems, and electric shavers, as predicted in pre-launch testing results. High-ranking responses among purchasers reflected Gillette's positioning of the product -- closer, smoother, and safer. Additionally, the razor handle and pivoting action of the head were cited at significant levels.

"All of this success is even more impressive considering the 25 percent price premium of Sensor when it was introduced," said Symons. "Customers recognize Sensor's good shaving value -- at six cents a shave, that comes to less than $20 a year, and that's a price most anyone can afford."

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Edison Brothers Stores Inc. (NYSE: EBS) has completed its previously announced purchase of Webster Clothes Inc. (NASDAQ: WEBS). Webster operates 128 young men's clothing stores in 25 states, under the names Webster, Zeidler & Zeidler, and Aggio. The transaction was completed today.

Edison Brothers Stores Inc., operates JW/Jeans West, Oaktree, J. Riggings,

Coda, and Repp Ltd., men's apparel stores; 5-7-9 Shops women's apparel stores; Joan Bari accessories boutiques; Bakers, Leeds, Chandlers, Precis, Wild Pair, Velocity, and Sacha London shoe stores; Fashion Shoe departments in certain department stores; Time-Out and Space Port family entertainment centers; and Dave & Buster's restaurant/entertainment complexes.

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EL PASO, Texas (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Luino Dell'Osso Jr., 50, senior vice president and chief financial officer for Burlington Resources in Seattle, will become executive vice president and chief operating officer for El Paso Natural Gas Co., effective Nov. 1, William A. Wise, president of El Paso Natural, said today. El Paso is a subsidiary of Burlington Resources.

In another executive change, Richard O. Baish, 44, will become senior vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary for El Paso Natural, effective Nov. 1. He has been vice president and associate general counsel and fills a vacancy created in February with the retirement of Senior Vice President and General Counsel Donald J. Maciver.

Dell'Osso began his career with El Paso Natural in 1973 and held key executive level positions with several El Paso subsidiaries and was named a senior vice president for El Paso in 1983. In April 1984, he was named senior vice president and chief financial officer for Burlington Northern Inc. (NYSE: BNI) which had acquired El Paso in 1983. BN later spun off its energy companies in 1988 to form Burlington Resources with whom Dell'Osso remained. As senior vice president and chief financial officer he has been responsible for the strategic planning, treasury, controller's and corporate audit functions. In his new position at El Paso, Dell'Osso will be responsible for the operating and staffing groups.

He holds a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from the University of Notre Dame and a doctorate in chemical engineering from Rice University.

Baish joined El Paso in 1973 in the Office of General Counsel. He was named assistant general counsel in February 1984, and was promoted to vice president and associate general counsel in 1987. Baish was graduated from Southwest Texas State University with a bachelor of arts degree in 1969, and was awarded a law degree from the University of Texas Law School in Austin in 1972. He is a member of the American Bar Association, Texas Bar Association, El Paso Bar Association and the Federal Energy Bar Association.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Renault Vehicules Industriels S.A. (RVI) announced today that it had completed its acquisition of the remaining publicly held shares of Mack Trucks, Inc. (NASDAQ: MACK). RVI stated that ITM Acquisition Corp. (ITM), a Delaware corporation wholly-owned by RVI, had been merged with and into Mack following the acceptance by ITM of all shares of Mack tendered into ITM's tender offer for all of the outstanding common stock of Mack not beneficially owned directly or indirectly by RVI for $6.25 per share.

As a result of the merger, Mack has become a wholly-owned subsidiary of RVI, and each publicly held share of Mack common stock not tendered into the offer has been converted into the right to receive $6.25 per share.

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VENLO, THE NETHERLANDS, (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Third quarter and cumulative nine month results were reported here today by Oce-van der Grinten N.V. (NASDAQ: OCENY). Oce, international manufacturer of design engineering and office systems copying systems, has its home base in Venlo, the Netherlands and North American headquarters in Chicago.

Consolidated third quarter net income for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990 declined 9.4 percent to $9.9 million, or $0.65 per share based on 15,149,405 shares outstanding, compared to $10.9 million, or $0.73 per share based on 15,031,530 shares outstanding at the fiscal 1989 year-end.

Revenues in the third quarter totaled $309.2 million, an increase of 3 percent compared to $301.6 million for the third quarter of fiscal 1989. Exchange rates had a negative impact of 4 percent on revenues expressed in Dutch guilder terms, and internal growth in office systems lagged slightly behind that of previous quarters. Revenues from design engineering were lower than in the two preceding quarters. Both developments reflect the transition to new generations of copier families. Office systems and design engineering both have strong order backlogs for the new machines.

Reflecting the changeover to the new systems and related launching costs, plus the negative effects of exchange rates, operating income declined 8.3 percent to $18.0 million from $19.7 million.

Third quarter net financial expense -- interest paid, income from financial

lease contracts and other interest income -- increased to $4.3 million.

Third quarter cash flow (net income + depreciation) advanced 5.8 percent to $47.9 million.

Nine Month Figures Consolidated net income for the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990 totaled $34.1 million, or $2.25 per share based on 15,149,405 shares outstanding, compared to $ 33.9 million, or $2.26 per share based on 15,031,530 shares outstanding at the fiscal 1989 year end.

Revenues for the nine months totaled $960.0 million, an increase of 12 percent compared to $857.7 million for the three quarters of fiscal 1989. Internal growth accounted for 6 percent of the increase, after eliminating the positive effect generated by the contribution of Oce graphics (+ 10 percent) and the negative effects of exchange rate fluctuations (- 4 percent).

Nine month operating income rose 8 percent to $62.9 million from $58.3 million. Oce Graphics made a positive contribution to this growth and exchange rates and the above mentioned start-up costs had a negative impact.

Advancing interest rates and a higher interest bearing debt position arising from the acquisitions made in the second half of fiscal 1989, led to an increase of $5.0 million to $14.4 million in net financial expense during the first nine months.

Office systems: nine month sales totaled $499 million compared to 1989's first nine months $468 million, an increase of 7 percent, 11 percent of which came from internal growth, after giving effect to the negative exchange rate developments. An increasingly important contribution to office systems' sales growth is coming from sales and rentals of the Oce 2500, introduced last year for the very high volume sector of the market. Deliveries also commenced during the third quarter of the Oce 2400 -- for customers making up to 100,000 copies per month. The Oce 2400, for which a good order book has been built up, will start to make a contribution to sales in the current quarter.

Design engineering: fiscal 1990 nine months sales advanced 18 percent to $461 million. After eliminating Oce Graphics' (+ 23 percent) and exchange rate effects (- 5 percent) this figure equals that of the corresponding period of 1989. Oce Graphics' new G9800 Raster Plotter, deliveries of which started in July, have met with an enthusiastic market response, and in the third quarter a new range of pen plotters was introduced. Deliveries of the Oce 7100, a large format plain paper copier for which a substantial order backlog exists, are beginning to build up.

Year End Expectations The third quarter income decline notwithstanding, group results for the year ending Nov. 30, 1990, should approximate those of 1989, one of the reasons being the new products' strong order book position, deliveries on which are now progressing well. This prediction is made subject

to any significant change in the general political, economic and financial situation worldwide.

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OAKHURST, CA (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - At the Aug. 30, 1990, board of directors meeting in Los Angeles, Sierra elected a new member to their board, Marvin H. Green Jr. Green brings with him almost 30 years of invaluable experience in the film, visual arts and cable television industries. According to Sierra President Ken Williams, "Our recent efforts in multimedia product development of CD-ROM based interactive entertainment software have required the use of professional actors and voice talent. Green's experience and contacts within the motion picture and television industries will be very significant, as we make this next evolutionary leap in product quality."

Born and raised in Connecticut, Green attended Bowdoin College, where today he is an overseer, chairman of the Development Committee and an Executive Committee member of that college. In 1959, Green founded Visualscope Inc., the developer and sponsor of such public television shows as America; I, Claudius; and Upstairs, Downstairs. In 1972, Visualscope purchased Reeves Teletape, which was renamed Reeves Communications Corp. At its acquisition, Reeves owned and supplied studios, mobile units and production facilities for "Sesame Street" and "Live from Lincoln Center." By 1977, Reeves was creating and producing its own prime-time shows, among them "That's Incredible" and "Gimme A Break." In addition, approximately 20 Movies of the Week were produced, including the highly acclaimed films, "Adam" and "Bill." Reeves continues to produce such syndicated shows as "In Search of," "Gimme A Break," "On Trial" and "Incredible Sunday," as well as numerous mini series. Added to the list of extensive production credits are "Kate & Allie," "The Home Show," "Doctor Doctor" and "Life's Most Embarrassing Moments.

Green was chairman and chief executive officer of Reeves Communications through 1990, when the company was sold to Thames Television PLC. Green is currently the director and treasurer for the American Museum of the Moving Image, is a founding director of Maritime Museum for the city of Norwalk, is a trustee for the American University of Beirut, and is on the New York City Mayor's Council on Television and Motion Pictures. Green is also a well-known international yachtsman an holds many course records. Currently residing in New York City and Tucker's Town, Bermuda, Green is married and has four children and one grandchild.

Sierra develops and publishes premium-priced interactive animated adventure software for the high-end of the consumer market. The company's products

feature high-quality graphics, music and sound effects and are designed primarily for IBM PCs, IBM PC compatibles and computers manufactured by Apple Computer Inc.

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LAKE WORTH, Fla. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Cenvill Development Corp. (AMEX: CVL) today reported operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended July 31, 1990.

For the third quarter of fiscal 1990, the company reported a net loss of $17,720,000 or $1.23 per share, compared with net income of $119,000 or 1 cent per share for the third quarter of fiscal 1989. The third quarter net loss resulted from the inclusion of a net realizable provision after tax of $18,798,000 or $1.31 per share, which served to reduce the aggregate carrying value of certain assets, primarily commercial real estate and other non-residential inventories. The reduction was based on the conclusion that the adjusted assets' value had been impaired due primarily to current economic conditions, including the further softening in the Florida real estate markets. The net realizable value provision was $30,500,000 pre-tax. Excluding this provision, net income would have been $1,078,000 or $.08 per share.

Revenues for the nine months ended July 31, 1990, were $90,616,000 and net loss was $13,727,000 or 95 cents per share, compared with $92,344,000 in revenues and net income of $3,085,000 or 21 cents per share in the 1989 period.

In addition to the effect of the net realizable provision referred to above, the 1990 nine-month results include net income of $2,700,000 or 19 cents per share related to the adoption of a new method of accounting for income taxes. Absent these items, net income would have amounted to $2,371,000 or 17 cents per share in the 1990 period.

Cenvill is primarily engaged in the construction and sale of residential real estate in planned communities and the development of commercial properties primarily in Southeast Florida. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, as receiver of a Florida bank, is the owner of approximately 96 percent of the outstanding shares of Cenvill. Within recent months, at the direction of the FDIC, there has been a substantial change in the composition of the company's board of directors.

Cenvill has outstanding borrowings of approximately $240 million, a significant portion of which recently have matured or are scheduled to mature shortly. The company is dependent upon the cooperation of its major lenders

in order to have adequate financial resources to satisfy its current and future need for funds and to continue its business as it has been conducted in the past. The company is presently engaged in discussions with each of three major lenders concerning extensions of existing loans and a general restructuring of its indebtedness.

The company is unable to predict whether its major lenders will grant any further extensions or forebearances, whether it can successfully accomplish a restructuring of all or a portion of its existing indebtedness, or if it is unsuccessful in accomplishing any of the foregoing, the other alternatives it will pursue.

In addition to the FDIC's stock ownership, Cenvill has 640,000 shares of Class A Common Stock which trade on the American Stock Exchange. At Cenvill's request, on Sept. 19, 1990, trading of the Class A Common Stock was temporarily halted pending the filing of the company's third quarter financial statements.

Richard Siemens, president, said, "Notwithstanding the third quarter net loss, the company has a significant net worth."

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TULSA, Okla. (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - David A. Hentschel, chairman and chief executive officer of Occidental Oil and Gas Corporation, today announced the details of a settlement that has been completed with plaintiffs, including the states of Missouri and Kansas, in the Wyoming Tight Sands litigation.

Hentschel said that Occidental will pay $13.4 million this year and will make a $11.1 million payment a year from now. Occidental has also agreed to make available 49,500 mmbtu per day of natural gas to some of the plaintiffs for 20 years, at a premium over spot market prices. If plaintiffs take the gas, Occidental will provide a rebate out of the premiums over spot market prices to make additional payments to the plaintiffs.

"We are pleased to have these long term contracts with these good customers and be able to put this matter behind us," Hentschel said.

CONTACT: Frank Ashley of Occidental, 213-443-6592

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DALLAS (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Hallwood Realty Partners L.P. (AMEX: HRY) announced today that its exchange offer for limited partner interests in

limited partnerships sponsored by Equitec Financial Group (NYSE: EFG) expired at 5:00 pm CDT, Oct. 4, 1990, and was not extended.

Consents to consummate the proposed consolidation were received from holders of a majority of the limited partnership interests in eight partnerships representing approximately 93 percent of the aggregate exchange values of the 11 partnerships to which the offer was proposed. The partnerships from which requisite consents have been received are Equitec 83 Real Estate Investors, Equitec Real Estate Investors Fund XIII, Equitec Real Estate Investors Fund XIV, Equitec Real Estate Investors Fund XV, Equitec Real Estate Investors Fund XVI, Equitec Real Estate Investors Fund 17, Equitec Real Estate Investors Fund 18, and Equitec Income Real Estate Investors A.

Equitec Income Real Estate Investors B, Equitec Income Real Estate Investors C and Equitec Income Real Estate Investors -- Equity Fund 4 will not participate in the consolidation. Following the closing, Hallwood and Equitec may seek the consent of the limited partners in the non-participating partnerships to substitute Hallwood for Equitec as the general partner.

Hallwood anticipates closing the transaction promptly following receipt of a ruling from United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California, to which Equitec and its affiliate, Equitec Properties Company have filed a motion seeking authorization to complete the consolidation. A hearing on the motion has been scheduled for Oct. 19, 1990.

Said William L. Guzzetti, president of Hallwood Realty Corp., "We are very pleased that the solicitation has been successful. We look forward to closing the transaction so that we can begin to implement significant measures designed to achieve cost savings and operating efficiencies for the benefit of all the limited partners."

Following the closing, the limited partners will receive interests in Hallwood Realty Partners, which will be listed on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "HRY."

CONTACT: James N. Fingeroth or Mary T. Conway of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Hallwood.

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NASHVILLE, TENN. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Saturn announced an aggressive pricing strategy and warranty package that fulfills its pledge to provide car buyers the best value in the highly competitive small car market.

The manufacturer's suggested base retail prices (MSRP) are: -- Sports Sedan (SL): $7,995. -- Sports Sedan (SL1): $8,595. -- Sports Touring Sedan (SL2): $10,295. -- Sports Coupe (SC): $11,775. Transportation charges for Saturn

cars will be $275. Boasting fuel economy of 37 miles per gallon highway and 27 miles per gallon city (SL/SL1 with manual transmission), Saturn cars are powered by an all- new, 1.9-liter, four-cylinder aluminum engine.

Standard equipment on the Sports Sedan models (SL/SL1) includes AM/FM stereo, 60/40 split folding rear seats, rear window defroster, tachometer, adjustable steering column, child safety locks on sedans (rear seat), intermittent windshield wipers with mist-clearing position, 14-inch wheels, stainless steel exhaust system, and trip odometer.

On SL2 and SC models, standard equipment includes a 16-valve, dual overhead cam engine, 15-inch cast aluminum wheels, luxury trim, and an enhanced suspension.

Addressing Saturn retailers (dealers) tonight at a business meeting here, General Motors President Lloyd E. Reuss said, "The market has been waiting for Saturn for some time and these prices put us at a distinct competitive advantage against imports and import nameplates."

Saturn President Richard G. "Skip" LeFauve said, "We know we're in the most competitive segment of the small car market and we are confident buyers will recognize Saturn's distinctive price/value advantages. We're ready for the launch on the West Coast, South, and Southeast Oct. 25.

"We are totally committed to providing Saturn owners with high quality, reliable cars," LeFauve added. "Our comprehensive Owner Protection Package backs up that commitment with a program which assures a superior ownership experience."

Saturn's Owner Protection Package will include a no-deductible, bumper-to-bumper, three years/36,000 miles (whichever comes first) basic limited warranty and 24-hour roadside assistance; and a 1991 charter buyer money-back guarantee.

The basic limited warranty covers defects in materials or workmanship for three years/36,000 miles. The warranty is transferable to subsequent owners without charge.

CONTACT: Donald R. Haberek of Saturn, 313-524-5721

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RIGA (OCTOBER 4) TASS - A FRAGMENT OF THE BERLIN WALL WAS INSTALLED IN THE CENTRE OF RIGA, LATVIA'S CAPITAL, ON WEDNESDAY, THE DAY EAST AND WEST GERMANY UNIFIED INTO A SINGLE STATE.

THE FRAGMENT, PRESENTED TO THE CITY BY FORMER EAST GERMAN PRIME MINISTER LOTHAR DE MAIZIERE, WILL BE THE HIGHLIGHT OF AN EXHIBITION THAT WILL OPEN HERE

ON NOVEMBER 9 TO MARK THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE BEGINNING OF THE WALL'S DESTRUCTION.

THE FRAGMENT OF WALL IMMEDIATELY ATTRACTED RIGA CITIZENS WHO BEGAN TO BREAK SMALL PIECES FROM IT AS SOUVENIRS. IF THIS FLOW OF SOUVENIR HUNTERS IS NOT STOPPED, THERE WILL BE NOT MUCH LEFT OF THE WALL BY THE TIME THE EXHIBITION OPENS.

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MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) TASS - THE REGISTRATION OF PERIODICALS IN THE SOVIET UNION UNDER THE LAW ON THE PRESS, IN EFFECT SINCE AUGUST 1, IS AN ATTEMPT TO PUT THINGS IN ORDER IN THE SOVIET INFORMATION INDUSTRY, ALEXANDER GORKOVLYUK, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE COMMITTEE FOR THE PRESS, TOLD REPORTERS HERE ON WEDNESDAY.

HE SAID THAT MORE THAN 700 PERIODICALS, INCLUDING THE PUBLICATIONS OF 13 PARTIES, HAVE ALREADY BEEN REGISTERED.

THE REGISTRATION OFTEN PROVOKES CONFLICTS BETWEEN THE EXISTING FOUNDERS OF A PERIODICAL AND CONTENDERS FOR THIS STATUS, GORKOVLYUK SAID. MANY OF THE CONFLICTS INVOLVE THE DIVISION OF PROPERTY.

MANY PUBLICATIONS SEEK TO GET RID OF THEIR FOUNDERS. ONE OF THESE IS THE POPULAR WEEKLY ARGUMENTS AND FACTS, WITH A CIRCULATION OF OVER 30 MILLION COPIES. THE OFFICIAL SAID THAT THE WEEKLY WOULD MOST LIKELY DETACH ITSELF FROM ITS FOUNDER -- THE ZNANIYE (KNOWLEDGE) SOCIETY.

EACH SEVENTH REGISTERED PUBLICATION IS PRIVATE, GORKOVLYUK SAID. HOWEVER, THE SHORTAGES OF PAPER AND PRINTING EQUIPMENT IN THE COUNTRY COMPLICATE PRIVATE PUBLISHING.

THE OFFICIAL CALLED FOR A STATE PROGRAM TO MODERNISE THE PRINTING INDUSTRY TO MAKE THE LAW ON THE PRESS MORE EFFICIENT.

HE SAID THE REGISTRATION OF PUBLICATIONS IS TO BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF THE YEAR.

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NEW YORK (OCTOBER 4) TASS - FOLLOWS THE FULL TEXT OF A JOINT SOVIET-AMERICAN STATEMENT ADOPTED HERE ON WEDNESDAY:

THE 45TH SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS TAKING PLACE AMIDST THE MOST PROFOUND CHANGES IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS THAT HAVE OCCURRED SINCE THE SECOND WORLD WAR. THE CONFRONTATIONAL NATURE OF RELATIONS BETWEEN EAST AND

WEST IS GIVING WAY TO A COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP AND PARTNERSHIP. THE UNITED NATIONS IS BECOMING A GENUINE CENTRE FOR COORDINATED JOINT ACTIONS, AND THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS RESTORING ITS DECISIVE ROLE IN EFFORTS TO PROMOTE INTERNATIONAL SECURITY, PEACEFULLY SETTLE DISPUTES AND AVERT CONFLICTS. YET THERE REMAIN MANY CHALLENGES TO MEET AND PROBLEMS TO SOLVE ON THE WAY TO A PEACEFUL AND PROSPEROUS FUTURE.

REAFFIRMING THE RESOLUTION PRESENTED LAST YEAR BY THE UNITED STATES AND SOVIET UNION AND UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY, OUR TWO COUNTRIES WILL ATTACH SPECIAL IMPORTANCE TO PROMOTING PRACTICAL, MULTIFACETED SOLUTIONS TO THE ISSUES OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY, POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL CULTURAL AND HUMANITARIAN PROBLEMS.

TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WE WILL PURSUE COOPERATION WITH ALL MEMBER-STATES IN ATTAINMENT OF THE FOLLOWING:

-STRENGTHEN THE U.N.'S EFFORTS TO PROMOTE INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY IN ALL ITS ASPECTS BY WORKING TO IMPROVE U.N. PEACE-KEEPING, PEACE-MAKING AND CRISIS PREVENTION FUNCTIONS AND BY ENCOURAGING MORE ACTIVE USE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S GOOD OFFICES, HELP INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES HOLD ELECTIONS AT THEIR REQUEST;

-ESTABLISH A NEW SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY AT THE U.N. BY ENCOURAGING THE TREND AWAY FROM THEORETICAL EXCESS TOWARD EFFORTS TO DEAL PRAGMATICALLY WITH THE MAJOR ISSUES OF THE 1990S, INCLUDING TRANSNATIONAL ISSUES LIKE NARCOTICS, THE ENVIRONMENT, DEVELOPMENT, TERRORISM, AND HUMAN RIGHTS;

-PROMOTE A NEW WAY OF CONDUCTING DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS WITHIN THE U.N. SYSTEM TO ELIMINATE DUPLICATIVE PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES AND ENSURE THAT THE U.N. SYSTEM IS UTILIZED IN THE MOST EFFICIENT MANNER POSSIBLE -- WE CALL THIS A "UNITARY U.N.";

-ENSURE THE AVAILABILITY OF SUFFICIENT RESOURCES TO THE U.N. FOR IT TO FUNCTION EFFECTIVELY AND EFFICIENTLY BY TIMELY PAYMENT OF FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS TO THE U.N.;

-PROMOTING PEACE AND SECURITY IN ALL ITS ASPECTS

JOINT EFFORTS HAVE CONTRIBUTED SIGNIFICANTLY TO THE EASING OF TENSIONS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AND CENTRAL AMERICA, AND ARE PART OF EFFORTS TO PREPARE A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT IN CAMBODIA. BUT SERIOUS PROBLEMS STILL REMAIN. OUR SEARCH CONTINUES FOR WORKABLE SOLUTIONS TO CONFLICT AND INSTABILITY IN THE PERSIAN GULF, THE MIDDLE EAST, AFGHANISTAN, AND EL SALVADOR.

IN THE PERSIAN GULF, WE FACE A MOST SERIOUS THREAT TO THE INTEGRITY OF THE EMERGING INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM. THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION ARE WORKING TOGETHER WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO FASHION A CONCERTED RESPONSE, UNPRECEDENTED IN U.N. HISTORY, TO THIS CRISIS. THE SWIFT

REACTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO IRAQ'S DANGEROUS AND UNWARRANTED AGGRESSION SERVES AS A SOBERING REMINDER TO ANY FUTURE AGGRESSOR; THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WILL NOT TOLERATE THE KIND OF WANTON AGGRESSION WHICH IRAQ HAS COMMITTED. WE CALL UPON ALL UNITED NATIONS MEMBERS TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE SANCTIONS INVOKED BY SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 661 AND 670 UNTIL IRAQ ABIDES BY THE CALL OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO WITHDRAW ITS FORCES FROM KUWAIT IMMEDIATELY, TOTALLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY. WE CALL ALSO FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT OF KUWAIT.

THE RAPIDLY CHANGING STRUCTURE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS REQUIRES A UNITED NATIONS THAT, WHILE REMAINING FAITHFUL TO ITS ORIGINAL PURPOSES, CAN ALSO RESPOND FLEXIBLY AND EFFECTIVELY TO NEW CHALLENGES AS THEY OCCUR, LIKE DRUGS, THE ENVIRONMENT, AND THE NEED TO ENSURE THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

TANGIBLE EXAMPLES OF THE U.N. MOVEMENT AWAY FROM DIVISIVE RHETORIC AND POLITICAL EXCESS WERE LAST DECEMBER'S SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON APARTHEID AND THE RESUMED SESSION THIS MONTH, WHERE THE WORLD COMMUNITY UNDERSCORED ITS RESOLUTE OPPOSITION TO APARTHEID WHILE AGREEING, BY CONSENSUS, ON A POSITIVE APPROACH BASED ON DIALOGUE AMONG ALL SOUTH AFRICAN PARTIES. WE WILL WORK FOR EQUALLY POSITIVE RESULTS AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THIS YEAR.

THE U.N. SPECIAL SESSION ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION IN APRIL 1990 ALSO REFLECTED THE GROWING CONVERGENCE OF VIEWS WORLDWIDE ON THE NEED FOR MORE EFFECTIVE APPROACHES TO NATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, IN THE CONTEXT OF A SUPPORTIVE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT. OUR TWO COUNTRIES WILL CONTINUE WORKING TOGETHER TO PROMOTE FURTHER CONVEYANCE IN THIS DIRECTION. WE WILL ALSO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO ENSURE CAREFUL AND PRAGMATIC PREPARATION FOR THE 1992 CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT. WE WANT TO SEE THE CONFERENCE FASHION A REALISTIC ACTION PLAN TO SET THE U.N.'S COURSE IN THE COMING DECADES.

THE UNITED NATIONS CAN PLAY A LEADING ROLE ON ISSUES OF GLOBAL CONCERN. WE WILL ACTIVELY SUPPORT EFFORTS, THROUGHOUT THE U.N. SYSTEM, TO IMPLEMENT AND STRENGTHEN THE PRINCIPLES AND THE SYSTEM OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE, SECURITY AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION LAID DOWN IN THE CHARTER.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 4) TASS - DELEGATIONS FROM THE SOVIET UNION AND CHINA HELD THE FIRST ROUND OF TALKS ON MUTUAL REDUCTIONS IN THE ARMED FORCES AND CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES ON THE SINO-SOVIET BORDER IN MOSCOW BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 10-28, IT WAS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY.

THE TALKS WERE HELD IN A FRIENDLY AND BUSINESSLIKE ATMOSPHERE. THE SIDES AGREED TO CONTINUE TALKS AND HOLD THE NEXT ROUND IN BEIJING.

THE CHINESE DELEGATION WAS RECEIVED BY SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTERS VIKTOR KARPOV AND IGOR ROGACHEV AND DEPUTY HEAD OF THE SOVIET ARMED FORCES GENERAL

STAFF VLADIMIR DENISOV.

THE DELEGATION VISITED A NUMBER OF MILITARY INSTITUTIONS AND UNITS IN UZBEKISTAN AND KAZAKHSTAN.

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MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) TASS - PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV TODAY RECEIVED OMAN'S DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER FOR FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS QAIS ABDUL MUNIM AL-ZAWAWI.

THEY ARE EXPECTED TO DISCUSS THE DEVELOPMENT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND INTERNATIONAL ISSUES, PARTICULARLY THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND THE GULF.

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ULAN BATOR (OCTOBER 4) TASS - AN INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE ON COOPERATION IN THE NORTHEASTERN PART OF THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION ENDED HERE TODAY.

SCIENTISTS FROM CANADA, CHINA, SOUTH KOREA, MONGOLIA, THE SOVIET UNION, THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN DISCUSSED THE DEVELOPMENT OF CONTACTS IN THE REGION, PARTICULARLY ECONOMIC INTEGRATION, ARMS REDUCTION, ECOLOGICAL INTERACTION AND CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGES.

PARTICIPANTS BELIEVE THAT SUCH CONFERENCES HELP WORK OUT GOVERNMENTAL AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL DECISIONS TO ENSURE STABILITY AND MUTUALLY PROFITABLE COOPERATION IN THE REGION. THEY AGREED THAT CONFERENCES SHOULD BE HELD WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF GOVERNMENT BODIES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS.

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MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) TASS - THE TENSE SITUATION ON THE CONSUMER MARKET AND GROWING SHORTAGE OF CONSUMER GOODS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR MOST ECONOMIC CRIMES, DEPUTY HEAD OF THE SOVIET INTERIOR MINISTRY'S MAIN DEPARTMENT TO COMBAT THEFT OF SOCIALIST PROPERTY AND PROFITEERING VIKTOR ABROSIMOV TOLD TASS.

COMPARED TO SEPTEMBER 1, 1989, LARGE SCALE THEFT HAS GROWN BY 25 PER CENT AND BRIBERY AND PROFITEERING BY 16 PER CENT. SHORTAGES OF GOODS HELP INFLATE PRICES IN THE SHADOW ECONOMY. PROFITEERS ARE SELLING GOODS IN SHORT SUPPLY AT PRICES EXCEEDING RETAIL PRICES BY 100-400 PER CENT AND EVEN MORE.

ACCORDING TO THE DEPARTMENT, THE IMBALANCE BETWEEN SUPPLY AND DEMAND ON THE CONSUMER MARKET STIMULATES VARIOUS FORMS OF ILLEGAL TRADE UNDERTAKINGS.

ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL DATA FROM THE SOVIET INTERIOR MINISTRY, OVER 185,000 PEOPLE HAVE TAKEN PART IN SUCH UNDERTAKINGS BY SEPTEMBER 1, 1990.

SPEAKING ABOUT SUPPLIES OF FOOD AND INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS, ABROSIMOV SAID THE SITUATION HAS NOT CHANGED FOR THE BETTER IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, KAZAKHSTAN MOLDAVIA, TAJIKISTAN OR TURKMENIA AND IT IS GETTING EVEN WORSE IN SOME REGIONS OF THE UKRAINE, BYELORUSSIA AND AZERBAIJAN.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IN THE SOVIET AGRO-INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX DROPPED BY 613 MILLION ROUBLES DURING THE FIRST EIGHT MONTHS OF 1990. THE GROSS OUTPUT OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS DROPPED BY 1.4 PER CENT BETWEEN JANUARY-AUGUST OF 1990. DURING THE SAME PERIOD, THE COUNTRY RECEIVED 12 BILLION ROUBLES WORTH OF FOOD PRODUCTS LESS, THAN SPECIFIED IN THE PLAN.

IN ADDITION, THE LIGHT INDUSTRY HAS ALMOST BEGUN TO DISINTEGRATE, BECAUSE THE PLAN FOR CONSUMER PRODUCTS WAS NOT SUPPLIED WITH MATERIAL AND TECHNICAL RESOURCES, ABROSIMOV SAID.

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MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) TASS - SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER ALEXANDER BELONOGOV HAS RECEIVED A DELEGATION FROM OMAN'S CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY, LED BY ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT ALI AL-KATABI.

THEY DISCUSSED A WIDE RANGE OF ISSUES RELATED TO SOVIET-OMANI RELATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS, INCLUDING THE GULF CRISIS.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 4) TASS -

THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES HAVE JOINTLY ISSUED A SERIES OF POSTAGE STAMPS DEPICTING SEA ANIMALS.

THE SOVIET PRESENTATION OF THE STAMPS WAS HELD IN MOSCOW ON WEDNESDAY.

THE SERIES INCLUDES FOUR STAMPS, COSTING 25 KOPECKS IN THE SOVIET UNION AND 25 CENTS IN THE UNITED STATES.

TWO OF THE STAMPS, DESIGNED BY SOVIET ARTIST VLADIMIR BEILIN, DEPICT SEA-LIONS AND A SEA-OTTER. THE OTHER TWO, DESIGNED BY U.S. ARTIST PETER COCCI, DEPICT KILLER WHALES AND A DOLPHIN.

THE SOVIET AND U.S. POSTAL ADMINISTRATIONS AGREED TO LAUNCH THE PROJECT IN 1989 DURING THE 22ND CONGRESS OF THE UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION IN WASHINGTON.

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NOVGOROD (OCTOBER 4) TASS - SOVIET TEACHERS FROM NOVGOROD, MOSCOW, LENINGRAD AND PERM AND THEIR COLLEAGUES FROM THE UNITED STATES MET IN THIS CITY IN RUSSIA'S NORTH-WEST.

SOME TIME AGO, JANET RILEY, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE PHILADELPHIA BRANCH OF THE U.S.-U.S.S.R FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY, AND ALEXANDER POPOV, DEPUTY OF NOVGOROD CITY COUNCIL, PROPOSED ORGANISING REGULAR MUTUAL VISITS BY SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM THE TWO CITIES.

THE INITIATIVE WAS SUPPORTED IN FOUR U.S. STATES AND FOUR SOVIET CITIES. A NUMBER OF SOVIET INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES OFFERED TO SPONSOR THE PROJECT.

NOW RILEY HAS COME TO NOVGOROD TO DISCUSS DETAILS OF THE PROJECT.

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LENINGRAD (OCTOBER 4) TASS - ARCHITECT YAKOV CHERNIKHOV (1889-1951) WENT DOWN IN THE HISTORY OF SOVIET ARCHITECTURE AS AN ARTIST WHO WAS AHEAD OF HIS TIME. AN EXHIBITION OF HIS WORKS "ARCHITECTURAL FANTASIES" HAS OPENED AT THE STATE RUSSIAN MUSEUM IN LENINGRAD. IN NOVEMBER-DECEMBER, THE ARCHITECT'S WORKS WILL GO ON EXHIBITION AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY IN THE UNITED STATES.

CHERNIKHOV, WHO STUDIED AT PETERSBURG'S ART ACADEMY AND WAS AN APPRENTICE AT LEONTY BENOIS' SHOP, UNCANNILY ANTICIPATED THE CITY PLANNING IDEAS OF THE FUTURE. THE BOLDNESS OF HIS THOUGHT CAN BE JUDGED BY THE CYCLES "THE DESIGN OF ARCHITECTURAL AND MACHINE FORMS", "PALACES OF COMMUNISM" AND THE "PANTHEON OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR" ON DISPLAY AT THE EXHIBITION.

THE ARCHITECT'S CREATIVITY CAME UNDER STRIDENT CRITICISM IN HIS HOMELAND FOR A LONG TIME, BECAUSE MANY OF HIS CONCEPTS DID NOT ACCORD WITH OFFICIAL IDEOLOGICAL DIRECTIVES. AN IMPARTIAL ASSESSMENT OF HIS HERITAGE HAS BEEN GIVEN ONLY RECENTLY, IN HALF A CENTURY.

AN INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION NAMED AFTER CHERNIKHOV HAS ALREADY BEEN CREATED ABROAD. PREPARATIONS ARE UNDER WAY TO OPEN IT IN THE USSR. THERE ARE PLANS TO REVIVE CHERNIKHOV'S EXPERIMENTAL STUDIO IN LENINGRAD BY INSTITUTING ON ITS BASIS AN INTERNATIONAL CENTRE OF CONCEPTUAL ARCHITECTURE.

THE EXHIBITION "YAKOV CHERNIKHOV'S ARCHITECTURAL FANTASIES" DREW CROWDS IN FRANKFURT-AM-MAIN, ATHENS, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN AND ZURICH.

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#90277t2874 10/04/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (OCT. 4) TASS - THE CONSTITUENT CONGRESS OF THE SOVIET SCOUT ORGANISATION WILL BE HELD IN MOSCOW BETWEEN NOVEMBER 15-17, THE KOMSOMOLSKAYA PRAVDA NEWSPAPER WRITES TODAY. THIS WILL BE THE FIRST SOVIET SCOUT CONGRESS SINCE 1915.

THE ORGANISATION IS PLANNING TO PUBLISH BOOKS BY SCOUT LEADERS, SET UP A SCOUT SUMMER CAMP AND STUDY THE EXPERIENCE OF THE SCOUT MOVEMENT IN RUSSIA AND ABROAD.

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NEW YORK (OCTOBER 4) TASS - IN ADDITION TO SOVIET-U.S. TALKS ON WEDNESDAY, WHICH LASTED FOR MOST OF THE DAY, SHEVARDNADZE CONFERRED WITH HIS COUNTERPARTS WHO ARE ATTENDING THE 45TH U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION IN NEW YORK.

DURING THEIR MEETING, SHEVARDNADZE AND SAUDI FOREIGN MINISTER SAUD AL-FAISAL AL SAUD CONTINUED TO DISCUSS THE SITUATION IN THE GULF AND SOVIET-SAUDI RELATIONS.

SHEVARDNADZE ALSO TALKED WITH AUSTRALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER GARETH JOHN EVANS. DISCUSSING THE UNITED NATIONS' ROLE IN WORLD AFFAIRS, THEY FOCUSED ON THE EXPERIENCE GAINED FROM THE GULF CRISIS, NEGOTIATIONS IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION AND RECENT PROGRESS IN THE CAMBODIAN SETTLEMENT.

THE TALK BETWEEN SHEVARDNADZE AND SYRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER FAROUK AL-SHARAA HIGHLIGHTED COMMON ASSESSMENTS OF THE GULF CRISIS AND THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST AS A WHOLE. THE MINISTERS EXPRESSED MUTUAL INTEREST IN DEVELOPING FRIENDLY SOVIET-SYRIAN RELATIONS.

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YUZNO-SAKHALINSK (OCTOBER 4) TASS - A DELEGATION OF U.S. BUSINESSPEOPLE FROM ALASKA AND CALIFORNIA, LED BY PRESIDENT OF THE ALASKAN SENATE JANIS FAYX, TODAY RECEIVED AN INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A WIDE-SCALE ECONOMIC EXPERIMENT ON THE SAKHALIN ISLAND.

SAKHALIN FARMERS ARE CURRENTLY RECEIVING LAND FOR PERMANENT USE. SMALL ENTERPRISES AND JOINT VENTURES ARE BEING CREATED. LONG BEFORE THE DECISION ADOPTED BY MOSCOW, SAKHALIN DECLARED ITSELF A FREE ENTERPRISE ZONE.

THE CHANGES WERE INITIATED BY PROMINENT SOVIET ECONOMIST VALENTIN FEDOROV. HE BELIEVES VARIOUS FORMS OF PROPERTY SHOULD COEXIST AND FAVOURS BROAD COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN PARTNERS.

"WE ARE ALWAYS READY FOR COOPERATION WITH THE UNITED STATES," SAID DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE SAKHALIN REGIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE VALERY MOZOLEVSKY.

U.S. BUSINESSPEOPLE HAVE ARRIVED IN SAKHALIN WITH PROPOSALS ON FISHING, TRANSPORT, BUILDING, COMMUNICATIONS, OIL EXTRACTION AND TOURISM. MANY OF THEM HAVE INTERESTED ISLAND RESIDENTS AND WILL BE THOROUGHLY EXAMINED.

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MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) TASS - THE PRINCIPAL AIM OF YEVGENY PRIMAKOV'S MISSION TO THE MIDDLE EAST IS "TO LOOK FOR A POSSIBLE, PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE ACUTE INTERNATIONAL CRISIS IN THE PERSIAN GULF", SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN YURI GREMITSKIKH SAID TODAY AS HE BRIEFED REPORTERS ON THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL MEMBER'S TRIP TO JORDAN AND IRAQ.

PRIMAKOV WENT THERE ON WEDNESDAY AS A PERSONAL ENVOY FROM MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND WITH POWERS "TO SPEAK ON BEHALF" OF THE PRESIDENT, GREMITSKIKH SAID.

HE ADDED THAT ALSO ON WEDNESDAY, PRIMAKOV MET KING HUSSEIN OF JORDAN AND HANDED HIM A PERSONAL LETTER FROM GORBACHEV AND LATER CONFERRED WITH PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANISATION LEADER YASSER ARAFAT.

"THE SOVIET PRESIDENT'S PERSONAL ENVOY IS IN BAGHDAD TODAY," GREMITSKIKH SAID. "HIS TALKS WITH THE IRAQI LEADERSHIP ARE FOCUSING ON A WHOLE GAMUT OF PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH RISING TENSION IN THE GULF AS A RESULT OF IRAQI AGGRESSION AGAINST KUWAIT."

"ONE CAN ASSUME THAT THE SOVIET SIDE WILL CLEARLY SET OUT ITS PRINCIPLED ATTITUDE TO ALL THESE ISSUES ALONG WITH EVERYTHING THAT FOLLOWS FROM THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL DOCUMENTS ON THE CRISIS," THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

HE SAID THAT PRIMAKOV IS BEING ACCOMPANIED BY DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER IGOR BELOUSOV, LEADER OF THE TASK FORCE SET UP ON PRESIDENTIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO RESOLVE ALL ISSUES INVOLVED IN THE EVACUATION OF SOVIET NATIONALS FROM IRAQ.

"IT IS NATURAL TO ASSUME THAT PRIMAKOV AND BELOUSOV WILL DISCUSS WITH THE IRAQI LEADERSHIP ADEQUATELY ENSURING THE SAFETY OF SOVIET NATIONALS IN IRAQ, AS WELL AS THEIR FREE EXIT FROM THAT COUNTRY.

"SOVIET NATIONALS' SAFETY IN IRAQ IS A TOP PRIORITY FOR THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP " THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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#90277t2884 10/04/1990 ~ts

PRAGUE (OCTOBER 4) TASS - CARS QUEUED UP FOR KILOMETERS AT FILLING STATIONS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA. ONLY RECENTLY, IT TOOK CZECHOSLOVAK DRIVERS ONLY FIVE TO TEN MINUTES TO FILL THEIR CARS.

THE PANIC STARTEED IN SLOVAKIA, WHERE THE SITUATION BEGAN TO GO OUT OF CONTROL AFTER THE SLOVAK PRIME MINISTER STATED THAT PETROL RESERVES WOULD ONLY SUFFICE FOR TWO DAYS OF OPERATIONS AT THE SLOVNAFT INTEGRATED WORKS, THE LARGEST SUPPLIER OF PETROL TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA. A DECISION WAS MADE IN SLOVAKIA TO PROHIBIT FILLING ADDITIONAL TANKS WITH FUEL. BY WEDNESDAY EVENING, THE PETROL PANIC HAD REACHED PRAGUE.

TOP CZECHOSLOVAK LEADERS MET TO DISCUSS THE CRISIS. THEY DECIDED TO ASK THE SOVIET UNION WITH THE REQUEST TO CONDUCT TALKS SHORTLY TO SETTLE SHORTFALLS IN SOVIET PETROL SUPPLIES. SPEAKERS AT THE MEETING STATED THAT A FURTHER DROP IN OIL SUPPLIES WOULD SERIOUSLY COMPLICATE THE SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY.

THE SITUATION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA WAS ALREADY TENSE. A BILL ON SMALL PRIVITISATION WAS NEGATIVELY RECEIVED BY TRADE, PUBLIC CATERING AND SERVICE SECTOR WORKERS. DEMONSTRATIONS ARE BEING HELD THROUGHOUT CZECHOSLOVAKIA, PROTESTING AGAINST THE IMPENDING UNEMPLOYMENT. WORKERS AT AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES OPPOSE FORCED PRIVATISATION OF THEIR FARMS.

AS FOR PETROL, THE SLOVAK GOVERNMENT PROPOSED SELLING 30 LITRES OF PETROL A MONTH AT THE CURRENT PRICE. DRIVERS WOULD PAY AT COMMERCIAL PRICES FOR ANYTHING THAT EXCEEDS 30 LITRES. IT REMAINS UNCLEAR WHETHER OR NOT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL AGREE TO THIS RISE IN THE PETROL PRICE, THE SECOND THIS YEAR. THE PRICE HIKE WILL HIT THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE HARD AS VIRTUALLY EVERY FAMILY HAS A CAR.

-30- 1798

#90277t2887 10/04/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) TASS - A SOVIET BORDER SHIP INTERCEPTED THE NORWEGIAN VESSEL GENIUS ON SEPTEMBER 21, A KGB SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE VIOLATOR SHIP WAS CONDUCTING EXPERIMENTS IN THE SOVIET ECONOMIC ZONE, 12 MILES OFF NOVAYA ZEMLYA ISLAND, IT SAID.

THE GENIUS BELONGS TO THE BELONA ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP.

DURING AN INVESTIGATION, CAPTAIN SIGURD ORNULOR SAID HE HAD NO PERMISSION TO TAKE PROBES, BUT WILL CONTINUE TO ACT AS HE WISHES, DELIBERATELY VIOLATING SOVIET LAWS, THE STATEMENT SAID.

AFTER THE INCIDENT WAS INVESTIGATED BY AUTHORITIES, THE NORWEGIAN VESSEL WAS TAKEN OUTSIDE THE SOVIET ECONOMIC ZONE.

AT THE REQUEST OF NORWEGIAN AUTHORITIES, THE CREW WERE RETURNED THE RESULTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH IN THE AREA AND SCIENTIFIC EQUIPMENT.

-30- 923
#90277t2891 10/04/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) TASS - RETIRED SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY POLITBURO MEMBER YEGOR LIGACHEV, NOW WORKING ON HIS MEMOIRS, HAS DENIED NEWS REPORTS THAT THEY WILL BE SERIALISED IN A SIBERIAN JOURNAL.

SPEAKING IN A TASS INTERVIEW, HE SAID THE REPORTS ABOUT HIS ALLEGED DEAL WITH THE NOVOSIBIRSK-BASED SIBIRSKIYE OGNI (SIBERIAN LIGHTS) MONTHLY WERE NOT TRUE.

"IT WAS FROM THE PRESS THAT I LEARNT MYSELF WHAT AND WHERE I SHOULD PUBLISH," SAID LIGACHEV.

"THERE IS, WITHOUT EXAGGERATION, NO SHORTAGE OF WILLING PUBLISHERS. FRANKLY, I HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED ABOUT A DOZEN OFFERS FROM BOTH DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN PUBLISHING HOUSES. BUT I HAVEN'T GIVEN ANY OF THEM SERIOUS CONSIDERATION YET," HE EXPLAINED.

ASKED ABOUT HIS WORK ON THE BOOK, LIGACHEV ANSWERED IN SO MANY WORDS: "EVERYTHING ASSOCIATED WITH IT IS, AS YET, A SECRET. I THINK I SHOULD COMPLETE THE MEMOIRS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THE WORK IS ON, AND GETTING AHEAD FAST, ALTHOUGH SOMETIMES PAINFULLY AS YOU PONDER EVERYTHING ANEW, RAKE UP THE PAST AND THINK IT OVER AGAIN."

HE DISCLOSED, HOWEVER, THAT THE BOOK FOCUSES "PRIMARILY ON THE PAST FIVE TO SEVEN YEARS".

"SOMETHING APPEARS TO BE COMING OUT WELL AND SOMETHING NOT SO WELL," LIGACHEV SAID. "I AM WRITING IT MYSELF, TYPING IT MYSELF AND KEEPING IT TO MYSELF."

-30- 1457
#90277t2894 10/04/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) TASS - PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV TODAY MET LEADERS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF STATE ENTERPRISES AND AMALGAMATIONS IN INDUSTRY, CONSTRUCTION, ON TRANSPORT AND IN COMMUNICATIONS FOR A FREE-WHEELING DISCUSSION ON WIDE-RANGING ISSUES OF SWITCHING THE ECONOMY TO A MARKET SYSTEM.

NOTE WAS TAKEN DURING THE EXCHANGE OF THE SPECIAL ROLE OF WORKER COLLECTIVES AND MANAGERS IN STABILISING ECONOMIC RELATIONS, SATURATING THE MARKET WITH CONSUMER GOODS, AND PHASING IN SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL ACHIEVEMENTS.

IT WAS STRESSED THAT AS THE ECONOMY IS BEING TRANSFERRED ONTO A MARKET FOOTING IT IS ESSENTIAL TO CAREFULLY CONSIDER PAY ARRANGEMENTS AND INCENTIVES FOR WORKERS AT MAJOR ENTERPRISES FORMING THE BACKBONE OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMY.

-30- 913
#90277t2897 10/04/1990 ~ts

VIENNA (OCTOBER 4) TASS - A REGULAR PLENARY SESSION WAS HELD TODAY AT THE VIENNA TALKS ON CONVENTIONAL ARMED FORCES IN EUROPE, WHICH TURNED FROM A FORUM OF 23 COUNTRIES INTO A FORUM OF 22 AFTER THE REUNIFICATION OF GERMANY.

IT WAS "GERMANY'S DAY", AND HEAD OF THE GERMAN DELEGATION AMBASSADOR RUEDIGER HARTMANN, WHO WAS RECEIVING CONGRATULATIONS ON GERMAN REUNIFICATION, BECAME ITS HERO. HE MADE A STATEMENT, STRESSING THAT HIS COUNTRY'S FOREIGN POLICY WOULD BE ORIENTATED TOWARDS PARTNERSHIP AND CLOSE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND THAT NOTHING BUT PEACE WOULD COME FROM GERMANY.

HARTMANN POINTED OUT THAT THE NEW YORK MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS HAD MADE "DECISIVE PROGRESS ON THE PROBLEMS REMAINING OPEN", WHICH ARE BEING DISCUSSED AT THE VIENNA TALKS. THIS REFERS, IN THE FIRST PLACE, TO THE QUOTAS AND THE SETTING OF UPPER LIMITS FOR TANKS, ARTILLERY, HELICOPTERS AND ARMOURED VEHICLES, AS WELL AS THE AIR FORCE PROBLEM.

SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE, HARTMANN SAID THAT MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF THE TEXT OF THE FUTURE TREATY ON CONVENTIONAL ARMED FORCES HAD ALREADY BEEN COORDINATED. HE EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT THE DOCUMENT WOULD BE READY BY THE BEGINNING OF THE ALL-EUROPEAN SUMMIT IN PARIS IN NOVEMBER.

REPRESENTATIVES OF HUNGARY AND BELGIUM TOLD THE PLENARY SESSION ABOUT THE HOLDING OF RECIPROCAL INSPECTIONS OF MILITARY FACILITIES ON TERRITORIES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES.

-30- 1576

#90277t2898 10/04/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) TASS - SOVIET DEFENSE INDUSTRIES WILL ALMOST DOUBLE THEIR CIVILIAN PRODUCTION BETWEEN 1991 AND 1995 IF A NATIONAL CONVERSION PROGRAM IS ADOPTED, SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE SECRETARY OLEG BAKLANOV HAS TOLD THE GLASNOST WEEKLY.

CIVILIAN PRODUCTION AT DEFENSE-RELATED PLANTS IN THE FIVE YEARS MAY BE WORTH OVER 270 BILLION ROUBLES, HE SAID.

THE PROGRAM, WHICH WAS DISCUSSED BY THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL RECENTLY, "IS OPEN TO INNOVATIVE IDEAS" AND "SHOULD FIT IN WITH MARKET ECONOMY PLANS", BAKLANOV SAID.

HE SAID IN THE INTERVIEW, PUBLISHED TODAY, THAT ALREADY, HALF OF THE SOVIET DEFENSE INDUSTRY'S OUTPUT IS CIVILIAN PRODUCTS INTENDED FOR GENERAL INDUSTRIAL OR CONSUMER USE.

HE ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT IT WOULD BE A "HARMFUL ILLUSION" TO EXPECT THE DEFENSE SECTOR TO QUICKLY MEET CONSUMER DEMAND FOR REFRIGERATORS, ELECTRONIC APPLIANCES AND OTHER HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT.

DEFENSE INDUSTRIES ONLY ACCOUNTED FOR 6.4 PERCENT OF THE COUNTRY'S BASIC PRODUCTION ASSETS, BAKLANOV EXPLAINED.

HE WARNED THAT CONVERSION, ALTHOUGH DESIRABLE, SHOULD NOT DISRUPT EXISTING STRATEGIC PARITY. GUIDED BY REASONABLE DEFENSE SUFFICIENCY THEORY, THE SOVIET UNION, HE SAID, HAD CUT DEFENSE SPENDING TO 70 BILLION ROUBLES THIS YEAR FROM 76 BILLION IN 1989, WHEREAS THE U.S. INCREASED ITS DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS TO 306 BILLION DOLLARS FROM 300 BILLION LAST YEAR.

-30- 1563

#90277t2899 10/04/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) TASS - YET ANOTHER PROGRAM OF TRANSITION TO A MARKET-BASED ECONOMY HAS EMERGED IN THE SOVIET UNION. MEMBERS OF THE "UNITY - FOR LENINISM AND COMMUNIST IDEALS" SOCIETY HAVE PROPOSED WAYS TO PULL SOVIET SOCIETY OUT OF THE CRISIS CAUSED, THEY BELIEVE, BY NUMEROUS ATTEMPTS AT RESTRUCTURING.

THE NEW SOCIETY, ORGANISED OVER A YEAR AGO, IS HEADED BY NINA ANDREYEVA, A CHEMISTRY TEACHER FROM LENINGRAD, INFAMOUS FOR HER CONSERVATIVE VIEWS.

MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY BELIEVE THAT SOCIALISM STILL HAS A LOT OF POTENTIAL. "THE SUGGESTED WAYS OF SOLVING ECONOMIC PROBLEMS ARE BASED ON THE RECOGNITION OF THE PROGRESSING SOCIALISATION OF THE ECONOMY AS THE DOMINANT ECONOMIC TENDENCY," TATIYANA KHABAROVA, THE HEAD OF THE SOCIETY'S MOSCOW BRANCH, TOLD TASS.

ACCORDING TO KHABAROVA, THE PROGRAM'S MAIN IDEA LIES IN THE "REBIRTH OF THE POLICY OF CUTTING RETAIL PRICES," THAT WAS PURSUED IN THE SOVIET UNION IN 1947-1954. IT WAS THE TIME WHEN THE STALIN COMMAND AND ADMINISTRATIVE ECONOMIC MODEL FLOURISHED IN THE COUNTRY.

-30- 1208

#90277t2900 10/04/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) - A REGULAR SESSION OF THE MILITARY COUNCIL OF THE WARSAW TREATY ALLIED ARMED FORCES WAS HELD IN THE ROMANIAN CAPITAL ON OCTOBER 2-4. THE SESSION WAS CHAIRED BY GENERAL PYOTR LUSHEV, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE ALLIED ARMED FORCES. IT WAS ATTENDED BY MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY COUNCIL AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ARMED FORCES OF WARSAW TREATY MEMBER-STATES.

PROCEEDING FROM THE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE POLITICAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE IN JUNE 1990, THE MILITARY COUNCIL ANALYSED PROBLEMS DEALING WITH THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ALLIED ARMED FORCES AND DISCUSSED POSSIBLE FORMS OF COOPERATION IN NEW CONDITIONS.

THE SESSION WAS HELD IN A BUSINESSLIKE AND CONSTRUCTIVE ATMOSPHERE.

-30- 862
#90277t2902 10/04/1990 ~ts
VILNIUS (OCTOBER 4) TASS - LITHUANIAN PRESIDENT VYTAUTAS LANDSBERGIS TOLD THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT HERE TODAY THAT THE MEETING WITH THE SOVIET DELEGATION IN MOSCOW ON TUESDAY WAS A MAJOR EVENT BY ANY COUNTS.

LANDSBERGIS DESCRIBED THE DEVELOPMENT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND LITHUANIA AFTER THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT PROCLAIMED INDEPENDENCE ON MARCH 11, 1990. HE NOTED THAT "A WAY TO TALKS ABOUT TALKS WAS OPENED BY LITHUANIA'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF A MORATORIUM ON THIS DECLARATION TO LAST 100 DAYS AFTER THE BEGINNING OF TALKS WITH MOSCOW".

ACCORDING TO LANDSBERGIS, PARTICIPANTS IN THE CONSULTATIONS IN THE KREMLIN DISPLAYED WILLINGNESS TO BEGIN TALKS. HOWEVER, HE SAID, "WE WANT TO IDENTIFY THE STATUS OF THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS BEFORE THEY BEGIN".

SPEAKING ABOUT THE COMMUNIQUE SIGNED DURING THE MEETING, LANDSBERGIS DESCRIBED IT AS "A MAJOR POLITICAL AND LEGAL DOCUMENT".

ACCORDING TO LANDSBERGIS, THE ATMOSPHERE OF THE DEBATES WAS NOT HEAVY, DESPITE THEIR COMPLEXITY. HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THE FIRST MEETING WOULD BE FOLLOWED BY PRODUCTIVE AND FRUITFUL WORK OF EXPERT AND SPECIALIST GROUPS. THIS WILL ENABLE THEM TO DRAW UP DOCUMENTS LAYING THE FOUNDATION FOR FURTHER WORK AIMED AT NORMALISING RELATIONS BETWEEN LITHUANIA AND THE SOVIET UNION.

LITHUANIAN PRIME MINISTER KAZIMIERA PRUNSKIENE SPOKE ABOUT TRADE AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN LITHUANIA AND THE SOVIET UNION. SHE STRESSED THAT ALONG WITH SIGNING TREATIES WITH INDIVIDUAL SOVIET REPUBLICS, IT WAS ADVISABLE TO WORK OUT BILATERAL AGREEMENTS ON TRADE AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP.

THE AGENDA DID NOT ENVISAGE DISCUSSION OF THESE REPORTS, AND THE DEPUTIES PROCEEDED TO CONSIDER OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE PARLIAMENT WILL DISCUSS CONCLUSIONS AND PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY THE STATE COMMISSION FOR EASTERN LITHUANIA, ESTABLISHED TWO MONTHS AGO.

THE POLISH MAJORITY IN THESE REGIONS ARE PRESSING FOR THE CREATION OF A POLISH NATIONAL-TERRITORIAL UNIT.

-30- 2183
#90277t2904 10/04/1990 ~ts
TALLINN (OCTOBER 4) TASS - A STRIKE IN ESTONIA'S CORRECTIONAL LABOUR I NSTITUTIONS IS IN ITS THIRD DAY. PRISONERS ARE REFUSING TO EAT AND TO WORK. WOMEN AND CHILDREN, WHO ARE KEPT SEPARATELY, ARE NOT TAKING PART IN THE STRIKE.

A LETTER SENT BY THEM TO THE REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT SAYS THAT THE ACTION IS A CONTINUATION OF THE JULY HUNGER STRIKE, BECAUSE NONE OF THE DEMANDS PUT

FORWARD BY PRISONERS AT THAT TIME HAD BEEN SATISFIED. THE ABSENCE OF BASIC CONVENIENCES IS ONE OF THE REASONS FOR THE UNREST. SOME 2,500 PEOPLE ARE KEPT IN THE VAZALEMMA ZONE, WHILE, ACCORDING TO NORMS, THEIR NUMBER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 600.

ACCORDING TO SPECIALISTS, THE CREATION OF NORMAL LIVING CONDITIONS THROUGH BUILDING NEW BARRACKS WITH SINGLE CELLS WILL COST 70 TO 80 MILLION ROUBLES. AT PRESENT THIS SUM CANNOT BE ALLOCATED FROM THE STATE BUDGET.

THE PROBLEM OF PRISONERS' EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES HAS BEEN ACUTE IN CORRECTIONAL LABOUR INSTITUTIONS DURING THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS. HALF OF THEIR WAGES GOES TO THE STATE. MANY PRISONERS SPEND THE REST OF THE MONEY ON PAYING ALIMONY AND COMPENSATING FOR THE DAMAGE INFLICTED BY THEM.

THE CREATION OF A GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR EXAMINING PRISONERS' CLAIMS AND COMPLAINTS WAS ANNOUNCED ON WEDNESDAY. THE COMMISSION WILL ALSO ASSESS THE PROPOSAL TO DECLARE AN AMNESTY, BECAUSE MANY OF THE PRISONERS WERE CONVICTED DURING THE STAGNATION PERIOD ON THE BASIS OF THE LAWS WHICH, THEY BELIEVE, ARE OBSOLETE.

-30- 1577
#90277t2906 10/04/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) TASS - THE DEVELOPMENT OF BUSINESSLIKE AND MUTUALLY USEFUL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE PARLIAMENTS OF THE SOVIET UNION AND ICELAND HAS GOOD POTENTIAL, IT WAS STRESSED TODAY AT A MEETING BETWEEN CHAIRMAN OF THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT'S COUNCIL OF THE UNION IVAN LAPTEV AND A DELEGATION FROM THE ICELAND ALTING, LED BY CHAIRMAN OF THE UPPER CHAMBER JON HELGASSON.

LAPTEV TOLD THE GUESTS ABOUT THE MAIN PROBLEMS OF PERESTROIKA, ABOUT THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT, THE WORKING OUT OF NEW LAWS AND THE PREPARATION OF A REFORM OF THE BANKING SYSTEM. THE SIDES EXPRESSED INTEREST IN THE DEEPENING OF TRADE AND ECONOMIC CONTACTS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

THEY POINTED TO THE SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ACTIVISATION OF BILATERAL INTERPARLIAMENTARY DIALOGUE AND ITS ALL-ROUND EXPANSION.

ON THE SAME DAY THE DELEGATION HAD TALKS WITH THE SOVIET PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE FOR THE AFFAIRS OF WOMEN, THE PROTECTION OF THE FAMILY, MOTHER AND CHILD, THE COMMITTEE FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION AND THE COMMITTEE FOR ECOLOGY AND THE RATIONAL USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

-30- 1219
#90277t2909 10/04/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) TASS - SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY POLITBURO MEMBER GENNADY YANAEV MET A NICARAGUAN SANDINISTA FRONT DELEGATION LED BY HENRY RUIZ HERE TODAY.

THE SIDES PLEDGED TO EXPAND SOVIET-NICARAGUAN RELATIONS AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY AND THE SANDINISTA NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT.

-30- 469
#90277t2910 10/04/1990 ~ts
VLADIVOSTOK (OCTOBER 4) TASS - A LABOR PARTY DELEGATION FROM THE AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL PARLIAMENT, LED BY RICHARD CHARLESWORTH, THAT VISITED THE SOVIET UNION AT THE INVITATION OF THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT, LEFT VLADIVOSTOK FOR HOME TODAY.

ASIDE FROM VLADIVOSTOK, THE AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION VISITED THE PORTS OF NAKHODKA AND VOSTOCHNY, THE LARGEST CARGO PORT IN THE REGION.

THE AUSTRALIAN LEGISLATORS MET THE HEADS OF LOCAL COUNCILS, NUMEROUS COMMERCIAL ASSOCIATIONS AND THE FAR EASTERN SHIPPING LINE.

CHARLESWORTH BELIEVES THAT THE MOST REALISTIC PLANS OF COOPERATION WITH THE SOVIET FAR EAST ARE THOSE THAT ENVISAGE THE JOINT PRODUCTION OF EXPORT-ORIENTED GOODS IN THE FISHING INDUSTRY, AGRICULTURE AND THE MINING INDUSTRY. MAJOR DEALS HAVE ALREADY BEEN CLOSED BY AUSTRALIAN AND SOVIET BUSINESSMEN FROM THE PRIMORYE REGION DURING THE RECENT AUSTRALIAN EXHIBITION IN VLADIVOSTOK.

-30- 1028
#90277t2911 10/04/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) TASS - SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER ALEXEI OBUKHOV MET BRITISH SECRETARY OF STATE FOR SCOTLAND MALCOLM RIFKIND HERE TODAY TO DISCUSS KEY INTERNATIONAL ISSUES, INCLUDING THE GULF CRISIS, EUROPEAN COOPERATION, DISARMAMENT AND BILATERAL RELATIONS.

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#90277t2912 10/04/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (OCTOBER 4) TASS - MEMBER OF THE SOVIET PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL ALEXANDER YAKOVLEV TODAY RECEIVED BRITISH SECRETARY OF STATE FOR SCOTLAND MALCOLM RIFKIND.

RESPONDING TO HIS QUESTIONS, YAKOVLEV TOLD HIM IN DETAIL ABOUT TRANSFORMATIONS IN THE COUNTRY, THE DISCUSSION OF ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS OF TRANSITION TO A MARKET ECONOMY AND WORK ON A UNION TREATY. THEY ALSO DISCUSSED SOME OTHER ISSUES.

-30- 557
#90277t2915 10/04/1990 ~ts

BRATISLAVA (OCTOBER 4) TASS - A TOTAL OF 56 PERCENT OF SOVIET TROOPS AND THEIR FAMILIES HAVE LEFT CZECHOSLOVAKIA. "THE TROOP WITHDRAWAL PLAN IS FULFILLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND WE STRIVE TO SPEED UP ITS IMPLEMENTATION," MAJOR GENERAL SVETOZAR NADOVIC OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK DEFENSE MINISTRY TOLD A MEETING OF THE SLOVAK CIVIL DEFENSE STAFF TODAY.

BY YEAR'S END THE SOVIET UNION WILL WITHDRAW ITS TROOPS FROM KOMARNO AND NOVA ZAMKI AND WILL PULL OUT PART OF A MILITARY GARRISON FROM SLJAC, HE SAID.

HE DENIED REPORTS THAT SOVIET SOLDIERS WERE SELLING ARMS, DESCRIBING THEM AS "PROVOCATIVE RUMORS BY OUR PEOPLE WHO WERE INTERESTED IN BUYING THESE WEAPONS".

MOST SOVIET MILITARY FACILITIES WILL BE HANDED OVER TO THE CZECHOSLOVAK ARMY, HE SAID.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - AL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
x-Boston	88	74	.543	-	51-31	37-43	6-4	W-1
Toronto	86	76	.531	2	44-37	42-39	3-7	L-1
Detroit	79	83	.488	9	39-42	40-41	5-5	W-1
Cleveland	77	85	.475	11	42-40	35-45	7-3	W-3
Baltimore	75	85	.469	11 1/2	39-40	36-45	6-4	L-1
Milwaukee	74	88	.457	14	39-41	35-47	5-5	W-2
New York	67	95	.414	21	37-43	30-52	6-4	L-1

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
West								
x-Oakland	103	59	.636	-	51-30	52-29	6-4	L-1
Chicago	94	68	.580	9	49-30	45-38	6-4	L-1
Texas	83	79	.512	20	47-35	36-44	1-9	L-2
California	80	82	.494	23	42-39	38-43	4-6	W-1
Seattle	77	85	.475	26	39-43	38-42	3-7	L-1
Kansas City	75	86	.463	27 1/2	45-36	30-50	4-6	L-2
Minnesota	74	88	.457	29	41-40	33-48	6-4	W-1

-30- 1164

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Rebel soldiers in the Philippines mounted a rebellion in two southern cities Thursday... declaring the island of Mindanao an independent state. The rebels are led by President Aquino's former deputy security chief. In a radio interview, renegade Colonel Alexander Noble promised ''there will

be NO bloodshed.'' But witnesses say loyalist troops stationed on the island are preparing to battle Noble's forces. .

Aquino held an emergency meeting with her Cabinet and leaders of Congress and the Senate. Afterwards, she issued a statement... saying she would crush the uprising ''in due time.''

The United States and Soviet Union agreed in principle Wednesday on a treaty that would drastically cut the number of troops, aircraft, artillery and armored vehicles in Europe. The final agreement was announced by Secretary of State Baker and his Soviet counterpart following private talks at the United Nations.

A 78-point-six-BILLION-dollar 1991 appropriations bill approved by the Senate Wednesday increases NASA's funding, but makes deep cuts in future space programs. The measures does NOT give all the money requested by President Bush for a manned space station, and it shuns manned missions to the Moon and Mars.

A federal judge in New York sentenced three men to prison Wednesday for committing one of the largest environmental crimes ever prosecuted in the country. The three had been convicted of operating what prosecutors called ''an enormous illegal landfill''... more than 70 acres in size... on Staten Island.

-30- 1709

#90277u0107 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 4) UPI - Workers labored in freezing weather and howling winds Wednesday to recover the bodies of three plane crash victims from a steep gully atop New Hampshire's Mount Washington. The single-engine Cessna... which was enroute from Syracuse, New York, to Bangor, Maine... crashed early Tuesday.

Police in Union Gap, Washington, have few leads on two robbers who used a chainsaw to cut off the hand of a 20-year-old man to steal his expensive watch and two rings. The victim remains hospitalized after Friday's attack. The police chief says the robbers apparently chopped off the hand- in his words- ''for the sheer joy of doing it.''

Irish researchers say left-handedness may start in the womb. Scientists at Queen's University of Belfast studied thumb sucking among fetusus and found about five-and-one-half percent of the babies favored their left thumb. They say this supports the theory that handedness is genetic. About 10 percent of the adult population is left-handed.

The Latvian Parliament eliminated the November 7th Soviet Revolution Day and October 7th Constitution Day holidays Wednesday and declared that Easter, Christmas and Latvian independence day will be celebrated instead. The bill also created a ''Communist terror victims day'' in the republic, which

declared its independence from the Soviet Union in May.

-30- 1502
#90277u0116 10/04/1990 ~United Press International
SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 4) UPI - Unmarried middle-aged men and women face twice the risk of dying within 10 years as those still living with their spouses, a study showed Thursday.

The study of 7,651 people nationwide came to no conclusion about why unmarried people in the group died at the higher rate, but suggested divorce was a key factor in putting people at risk.

Researchers at the University of California at San Francisco found 23 percent of the men between 45 and 54 who lived alone or with someone other than a spouse died within a decade. Only 11 percent of married men studied died during that period.

Of the unmarried women in the same age group, 7.7 percent died. Only 4 percent of married women died. The higher death rate seemed connected to low income, with poorer women at greater risk.

The gap between the married and unmarried groups slightly narrowed as the individuals grew older, the study said.

Men who had been previously married were at the most risk, researchers said.

''Of particular interest is that both men who live alone and those who live with someone other than a spouse are equally disadvantaged for survival,'' said Maradee Davis, an associate professor of epidimeology and biostatistics who led the study. ''The critical factor seems to be the presence of a spouse.''

Because of the high divorce rate in the United States and the trend for older adults to live alone if widowed, there should be ''general concern about the social isolation, health and well-being of older adults living alone,'' she said.

The study, which is consistent with previous research, also found the percentage of people living without spouses increased with age and was higher for women than men in all the age groups. Slighty more than half of the women ages 65 to 74 in the study were living alone or with someone other than a spouse compared to 19 percent of the men.

Also in that age group more people lived alone than in any other. For instance 32 percent of the women studied lived alone. ''This is the group for which there is general concern,'' Davis said.

An earlier study by Davis' group indicated living alone or without a spouse was associated with poor diets. An upcoming study will look at the relationship of diet and living arrangements.

Davis was to present the study to an American Public Health Association meeting in New York.

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BOSTON (OCT. 4) UPI - In findings that should help settle the debate over cholesterol, researchers reported that people who underwent cholesterol-lowering surgery developed much less heart disease.

''I would call this a landmark study,'' said Dr. Antonio Gotto of Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, past president of the American Heart Association. ''For skeptics looking for a smoking gun in the debate over the benefits of lowering cholesterol, this is it.''

While extensive research has indicated high blood cholesterol levels hike the risk for heart disease - the nation's No. 1 killer - the link has come under question recently by some who point to a lack of conclusive evidence.

The new study, published Wednesday in The New England Journal of Medicine, is considered unusually strong because the patients took the drastic step of undergoing surgery to reduce their cholesterol, and had a marked reduction in their heart disease rates.

''This trial should put the controversy surrounding the benefits of lowering cholesterol to rest,'' said study leader Dr. Henry Buchwald of the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis.

But Dr. Randolph Reinhold of New England Medical Center in Boston sounded a note of caution, noting that the work involved a rare procedure and showed no significant decrease in chances of dying from heart disease.

The study involved 838 people with high blood cholesterol who had survived a heart attack and for whom, in most cases, drugs failed to reduce their blood cholesterol levels.

About half the patients underwent surgery in which the upper two- thirds of the small intestine was connected to the large intestine - bypassing the lower part of the small intestine - and lowering cholesterol by reducing the amount of cholesterol-carrying bile acid the small intestine could absorb.

For the patients who had surgery, the combined rate of fatal and non- fatal heart attacks in the following 10 years was 35 percent lower on average than those who did not, the reseachers said.

After five years, the surgery group had cholesterol levels an average of 23 percent lower than the comparison group. That included a 38 percent lower level of low-density lipoprotein, or LDL, the so-called ''bad cholesterol'' because it carries most of the cholesterol in the blood, and 4 percent higher levels of high-density lipoprotein, or HDL, the ''good cholesterol'' that helps rid the body of the artery-clogging substance.

In addition, people who underwent surgery had 62 percent fewer heart- bypass operations and 55 percent fewer so-called balloon angioplasty procedures to clear clogged arteries. X-rays of arteries ''consistently showed less heart disease progression in the surgery group.''

''This is the definitive trial,'' Buchwald said. ''With this study, we can clearly demonstrate the benefits of lowering cholesterol'' on coronary artery disease and heart disease.

Buchwald stressed that surgery should be considered only a last resort in lowering cholesterol if diet modifications and drugs are ineffective. ''Should everyone have this procedure? Certainly not,'' he said.

Side effects from surgery included diarrhea, kidney stones and gallstones. Two people in the study died from surgery-related complications.

Cholesterol plays a role in heart disease by accumulating in deposits that can gradually ''harden'' arteries, making it more difficult for blood to pass through and forcing the heart to work harder. When blood supply to part of the heart is cut off, a heart attack occurs.

More than 1.5 million Americans suffer heart attacks annually and more than 500,000 die from them.

Altogether, 32 people in the surgery group died from heart disease and 17 others from various causes. In the comparison group, 44 died from heart disease and 18 from other causes.

Death rates were not significantly different. But among those whose hearts were functioning normally despite their heart attacks, he said the difference in the death rate was 36 percent - 39 patients in the control group vs. 24 patients in the surgery group.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - President Bush has drawn what he calls a ''line in the sand'' in his showdown with Iraq's Saddam Hussein but church leaders and religious opinion makers want the United States to be more flexible.

While generally supporting Bush's first reaction to the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq, church leaders now are expressing alarm at talk of the ''inevitability'' of war in the region.

''We are alarmed by the apparent increasing acceptance of the inevitability of war in the Middle East and by the lack of more active U.S. diplomatic efforts to achieve a negotiated settlement of the gulf crisis,'' the U.S. Interreligious Committee for Peace in the Middle East said in a letter to Bush Secretary of State James Baker and leaders of Congress.

''We believe negotiated settlement of the current crisis, which realistically will require compromise by both sides, is morally imperative and still possible, in part because everyone recognizes the consequences of war in the Middle East could be catastrophic for people in the region, for U.S. interests and for the whole world,'' said the letter signed by executive director Ron Young.

In another criticism of the Bush policy, Dale Bishop, the National Council of Churches' chief Middle East issues official, said U.S. policy in the region has for too long ''centered on rulers and oil - not people and principles - and that has been its fatal flaw.''

Bishop, writing in the journal Christianity and Crisis, said, ''U.S. Middle East diplomacy has been constructed on shifting sands: the personal fortunes of monarachs and dictators.''

''Inconsistency (if not cynical hypocrisy), of course, has been built into U.S. diplomacy in the Middle East since the end of World War II,'' Bishop said.

''The three pillars of U.S. policy during most of that period have been the support of Israel (for both moral and strategic reasons), cultivation of 'friendly' or 'moderate' Arab states (i.e., compliant Arab rulers who would appease our anti-Soviet fixations) and assured U.S. access to the region's oil reserves, perferably at an affordable cost.''

In contrast to Bush's argument that the world is behind the U.S. stand - notably through the series of United Nations resolutions condemning Iraq - Bishop notes that the Palestine Liberation Organization argues the United States ''supports only those resolutions that fit its design for the region.'' Bishop said the United States also has done little to enforce U.N. resolutions aimed at ending the Israeli presence in the occupied territories of the West Bank and Gaza.

Bishop said the United States, if it is not to engender decades of ''popular revulsion'' in the Arab world, must ''adopt a principled stand'' toward the Israeli occupation.

James Wall, editor of ''The Christian Century,'' made a similar point, noting

that while Hussein's invasion of Kuwait was ''a monumental error in judgment'' it was ''an error the U.S. encouraged him to make.''

Wall noted that Hussein's use of chemical warfare against Iran and the Kurdish minority in Iraq ''went unchallenged'' by the United States and that just weeks before the invasion, ''the U.S. government was arranging the transfer of agricultural equipment that Hussein needed.''

''By eliminating Saddam Hussein's capacity to wage war in the Persian Gulf,'' Wall said, ''the U.S. will gain a short-term advantage, but the long-term damage to our capacity to wage peace will be enormous.''

Arguing that ''this is no time to correct mistakes by amassing new body counts '' Wall said the United States ''must help Hussein withdraw from his dangerous miscalculation without creating a deadly mess no wants to clean up.''

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#90277u0138 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - A study of thumb sucking among fetuses shows the tendency to be left-handed may start in the womb, researchers reported.

About 10 percent of the adult population is left-handed, and scientists have long debated whether that preference stems from genetic factors or is caused by some kind of injury, perhaps occurring during birth. Now, Irish researchers said Wednesday they have found evidence some fetuses display a preference for sucking their left thumbs as early as 15 weeks after conception.

Using ultrasound to examine the fetuses of 224 women who had normal pregnancies, the researchers found 12 of the 224 fetuses - or about 5.4 percent - favored their left thumb. The positions of the fetus in the womb had no effect on thumb preference.

Follow-up observations of 17 fetuses indicated ''preference for a particular thumb is maintained during pregnancy,'' the researchers said.

In a letter published in the British journal Nature, Peter Hepper and his colleagues from Queen's University of Belfast said their study ''demonstrates for the first time the existence of behavioral asymmetries before birth.''

Furthermore, the work raises questions about theories that left- handedness is a result of injury and ''supports genetic explanations of handedness,'' the researchers said.

Dr. Stanley Coren, a University of British Columbia psychologist who has studied left-handedness for 20 years, called the findings ''a cute, little study'' that provides the first direct observations hinting that handedness may exist prior to birth. However, he said he thinks the conclusions drawn by

Hepper's team are too broad.

''My major concerns are whether thumb-sucking really grows into handedness and the fact they have so few left-handers,'' said Coren, noting that he smokes his pipe with his left hand even though he is right-handed.

The Canadian researcher said about 15 percent of young children are left-handed, compared to the 5 percent of fetuses that sucked their left thumb. Stresses during pregnancy or difficult deliveries may account for that difference, he added.

In their letter, the Irish researchers speculated that while hand preference may initially arise from genetically determined variations in neuromuscular development, fetal thumb-sucking may reinforce those differences.

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#90277u0158 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

CINCINNATI (OCT. 4) UPI - The controversial photographs by Robert Mapplethorpe could be viewed different ways by different people, an art critic said, while the curator of the gallery where they were shown called the images beautiful.

The defense rested Wednesday in the obscenity trial of the Cincinnati Center for Contemporary Arts and its director, Dennis Barrie, and the prosecution was scheduled to call a rebuttal witness Thursday before closing arguments were presented.

Owen Findsen, an art critic for The Cincinnati Enquirer and lifelong area resident, testified for the defense that the controversy over the photographs was ''a perfect illustration of the phrase, 'evil is in the eye of the beholder.'''

Findsen cited a recent conversation he had with a woman gardener in explaining why he couldn't tell people what to think. The woman, Findsen said, told him she found the Mapplethorpe photographs of flowers ugly, but did not find the pictures showing homosexual acts offensive.

''I just can't tell people what to think,'' he testified.

Barrie and the gallery are being tried on state charges of pandering obscenity and using a minor in nudity-oriented material for displaying the exhibit ''Robert Mapplethorpe: The Perfect Moment.''

The 175-picture show includes five photographs depicting sadomasochistic homosexual acts and two of children with their genitals exposed. These seven pictures are the crux of the charges against Barrie and his museum.

''Even though some people may think photo display is disgusting, it's still beautifully constructed,'' Dennis Barrie told a Hamilton County Municipal Court jury.

Also testifying was Stuart Schloss, a member of the board of directors of the Center for Contemporary Arts, who said the museum received some complaints before the exhibit opened because the photographs in question were being separated from the others.

He said after the exhibit closed, there were some complaints by people under 18 who were not allowed to see the photographs in question.

Some 8,100 people saw the exhibit, Schloss testified.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL
NATIONAL LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

GAME 1
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 8:30 p.m.

BOXING

Atlantic City, N.J. - Kevin Pompey vs. Daryl Lattimore, 12, welterweights; Tommy Morrison vs. Bob Hitzelberger, 10, heavyweights.

GAMES

Beijing - Asian Games

GOLF

San Antonio, Texas - PGA Texas Open
Tallahasee, Fla. - $750,000 LPGA Centel Classic
Clemmons, N.C. - RJR Senior Championship
Stuttgart, Germany - Masters European PGA

HOCKEY

Philadelphia at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Quebec at Hartford, 7:35 p.m.
Montreal at Buffalo, 7:35 p.m.
Detroit at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.

NY Rangers at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.
Tornonto at Winnipeg, 8:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.
Vancouver at Calgary, 9:35 p.m.
NY Islanders at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

TENNIS
Sydney, Australia - $1 million Australian Indoor Championships
Moscow - $100,000 Women's Open
Toulouse, France - $260,000 Grand Prix

-30- 1113
#90277u0167 10/04/1990 ~United Press International
BERLIN (OCT. 4) UPI - Police used water cannons and tear gas against leftist and anarchist youths who went on a rampage after demonstrating against German unification as the rest of the nation celebrated the Day of Unity.

More than 50 people were arrested in the ruckus Wednesday, but there were no immediate reports of casualties in what police described as the worst outbreak of violence since a riot in October last year preceding the fall of the Berlin Wall.

The protest march by an estimated 20,000 demonstrators, which was authorized by police, took place with only minor incidents in the afternoon. But tensions ran high and violence erupted around the vast Alexanderplatz Square when the march and a concluding rally ended at dusk and most of the protesters had left.

Chanting ''shut your mouth, Germany'' and ''never again,'' the youths threw gasoline bombs at riot police, overturned sausage and refreshment stands set up for unity celebrations, and smashed store windows.

Police moved in with water cannons and tear gas, but violence went on into the night.

Around 1,000 youths, mostly anarchists and leftists but also including members of the Turkish immigrant community in Kreuzberg, were involved in the violence police said.

The mobs used automobile jacks and metal chains to smash the windows of the Hotel Stadt Berlin. They climbed on top of cars and kicked in the windows. Other demonstrators stood on the sidelines screaming ''fascist murderers'' at riot police.

A few of the youths wore masks, hoods and scarves to cover their faces, and ignored loudspeaker appeals by both march organizers to leave peacefully.

At midnight Tuesday, East Germany became absorbed into West Germany to become

Europe's most populous nation with 78.4 million people.

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#90277u0172 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 4) UPI - The United States and the Soviet Union announced Wednesday that they had reached agreement in principle on a treaty that would drastically cut the number of troops, aircraft, artillery and armored vehicles in Europe.

The final agreement was announced jointly by Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and U.S. Secretary of State James Baker after more than five hours of private talks in the Soviet mission to the United Nations.

If the agreement had not been reached this week, U.S. officials said it would have been impossible to hold a 35-nation summit in Paris scheduled in mid-November. The United States had made such a conventional forces arms control treaty - known as CFE - a prerequisite for attending the Paris meeting.

Baker said it was an agreement in principle. ''We have agreed on all major issues,'' he said.

''A few peripheral issues remain to be settled. (But) we have reached agreement on the reduction and destruction of a significant amount of weapons '' the secretary said.

Shevardnadze, standing at Baker's side, said one relatively minor matter - counting rules for helicopters - remained unsettled but could be dealt with by technical experts.

The United States will take the framework of the agreement to the NATO countries for their assent, which is expected, since they were consulted at every stage of the long proceedings.

No numbers were given at the announcement of the agreement. The two sides wanted to consult with their allies, with the United States checking with NATO and the Soviet Union consulting with what is left of the Warsaw Pact alliance.

But officials had said previously that the number of troops had been set for 195,000 for both sides in central Europe, with the United States being permitted 30,000 more troops to be based in Britain and Italy, outside of the European Central Zone.

Officials have said that both sides will be limited to about 6,700 aircraft.

In one of the issues settled Wednesday, it was agreed land-based naval aircraft will be handled in a side letter, and that maritime patrol aircraft will not be included in the treaty at all.

Baker and Shevardnadze spent almost all of their 5 1/2 hours Wednesday on the conventional forces agreement, and barely touched on the treaty reducing strategic nuclear arms. Both men said they will probably get together on Friday to try to settle the remaining issues in the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks, reducing offensive nuclear missiles by up to 50 percent.

Both the United States and the Soviet Union have expressed the hope that they can have a START treaty ready for signing at a U.S.-Soviet summit before the end of this year.

The conventional forces negotiations have been going on, in various forms, since 1975. But the bargaining got serious in January 1989, with the coming to office of the Bush administration and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's program of political and military reforms beginning to gain momentum.

About one year ago, U.S. negotiators noticed a slowdown in the talks, a pause they ascribed to Soviet military officials objecting to the deep cuts in troops at a time when those soldiers and their weapons might be needed to quell nationalist violence inside the Soviet Union.

In the past two months, U.S. negotiators detected a new willingness by the Soviets to bargain seriously, something that was seen as a sign that Gorbachev and Shevardnadze and their allies in the Kremlin had asserted their authority over the Soviet general staff.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Philippines President Aquino... the survivor of six coup attempts... says the rebel soldiers who launched a mutiny Thursday in the southern island of Mindanao are trying to ''escalate'' the rebellion to Manila. In a statement, Aquino said she would crush the uprising ''in due time'' and appealed for help in rallying the people ''against these troublemakers.''

Nine French hostages released earlier by Iraq arrived Wednesday in Amman, Jordan... amid a flurry of diplomatic activity in the Persian Gulf region. French President Mitterrand arrived in the area to inspect French troops. And a top aide to Soviet President Gorbachev met in Amman with King Hussein. Iraq reportedly offered to release all French hostages... apparently in response to Mitterrand's offer last week to act as a mediator in the Persian Gulf crisis.

The House is set to vote Thursday on the deficit-cutting budget agreement reached Sunday by White House and congressional negotiators. Head counters on both sides say the outcome is still in doubt, but one key Democratic congressman says chances are ''better than 50-50'' the measure will pass. .

President Bush canceled a New England political swing Wednesday to continue meeting with and telephoning UNdecided or wavering House Republicans. However, the White House says Bush was pleased to hear that two former G-O-P presidents Ronald Reagan and Gerald Ford, support the budget plan.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Congressional investigators say last year's five-day U-S ban on the import of Chilean fruit was justified. Imports were suspended March 13th, 1989, after cyanide was found in two grapes in Philadelphia. The discovery followed two telephone calls to the U-S Embassy in Santiago, Chile, alleging that food shipments had been poisoned. The review by the congressional General Accounting Office is contained in a report, obtained by U-P-I, to be released Friday.

In Chicago, more apparent food poisoning victims sought medical treatment Wednesday... bringing to more than 400 the number of hardware conventioneers complaining of sickness in the past three days. Health officials say tests indicate that salmonella may have been responsible for the illnesses that have caused 110 people to be hospitalized.

A convicted child molester who once entertained kids as ''Sparky the Clown'' says he fooled a national expert into believing that his claims of a multiple personality in an UNsuccessful bid to beat the charges. Richard Sparks recently made the admission, three years after being convicted and sentenced to 10 years in prison. The expert- Kentucky psychiatrist Cornelia Wilbur- is best known for her treatment of the woman featured in the book and movie ''Sybil.''

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(OCT. 4) UPI - NL STANDINGS:

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Home	Away	Last10	Streak
East								
x-Pittsburgh	95	67	.586	-	50-32	45-35	7-3	L-1
New York	91	71	.562	4	52-29	39-42	7-3	W-1
Montreal	85	77	.525	10	47-34	38-43	4-6	W-3
Philadel.	77	85	.475	18	41-40	36-45	5-5	L-2
Chicago	77	85	.475	18	39-42	38-43	5-5	W-2
St. Louis	70	92	.432	25	34-47	36-45	2-8	L-7
West								
x-Cincinnati	91	71	.562	-	46-35	45-36	5-5	L-1
Los Angeles	86	76	.531	5	47-34	39-42	4-6	L-1
San Fran.	85	77	.525	6	49-31	36-45	8-2	W-1

San Diego	75	87	.463	16	37-44	38-43	4-6	W-1
Houston	75	87	.463	16	49-32	26-55	5-5	W-1
Atlanta	65	97	.401	26	37-43	28-54	4-6	L-1

x-clinched division title.

Wednesday Results

New York 6, Pittsburgh 3

Montreal 9, St. Louis 2

San Francisco 6, Atlanta 3

Houston 3, Cincinnati 2

Chicago 4, Philadelphia 3

San Diego 7, Los Angeles 3

(end regular season)

Thursday Game

NL Championship Series

Pittsburgh (Walk 7-5) at Cincinnati (Rijo 14-8), 8 p.m. EDT.

-30- 1327

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(OCT. 4) UPI - NL BOX SCORES:

NEW YORK

	ab	r	h	bi
Reed cf	4	2	3	0
Magadan 1b	1	0	0	0
Torve 1b	3	0	2	0
Tabler rf	4	1	2	3
Teufel 2b	5	1	2	1
OMalley 3b	5	0	0	1
Jelic lf	4	1	1	1
Schatzeder p	0	0	0	0
Pena p	0	0	0	0
Hundley c	4	0	0	0
Baez ss	4	0	0	0
Viola p	3	1	1	0
Hughes lf	1	0	0	0

PITTSBURGH

	ab	r	h	bi
Redus 1b	4	0	0	1
Bair p	0	0	0	0
Bell ss	3	0	0	0
Garcia ss	1	0	0	0
VanSlyke cf	2	0	1	0
Carter cf	2	0	1	0
Bonilla rf	4	1	1	0
Ryal rf	0	0	0	0
Bonds lf	1	0	0	0
Martinez lf	2	1	1	2
King 3b	4	0	2	0
Slaught c	3	0	0	0
Bilardello c	1	0	0	0
Lind 2b	1	1	1	0
Belliard 2b	2	0	0	0
Reuss p	0	0	0	0
York p	0	0	0	0

					Lavallier ph	1	0	1	0
					Cangelosi lf	0	0	0	0
Totals	38	6	11	6	Totals	31	3	8	3

New York	200	001	111-	6
Pittsburgh	001	002	000-	3

DP-New York 2, Pittsburgh 1. LOB-New York 8, Pittsburgh 5. 2B-Reed 2, Teufel, Torve, Lind, Bonilla, Tabler. HR-Teufel (10), C Martinez (10), Jelic (1). SB-D Reed (1). S-Reuss 2.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Viola (W 20-12)	7	7	3	3	2	5
Schatzeder	1	1	0	0	0	0
Pena (S 5)	1	0	0	0	0	2
Pittsburgh						
Reuss (L 0-1)	5 1-3	6	3	3	1	1
York	1 2-3	2	1	1	1	1
Bair	2	3	2	2	0	2

HBP-Tabler by York.

Umpires-Home, Rippley; 1b, Tata; 2b, Froemming; 3b, Pulli.

T-2:26. A-27,641.

ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
Gilkey lf	4	0	3	1	Raines lf	4	1	1	1
Hudler rf	2	0	0	0	Rojas p	0	0	0	0
Collins rf	2	0	0	0	DaMartinz rf	3	1	0	0
Camacho p	0	0	0	0	DeShields 2b	3	0	1	0
MThmpsn cf	2	0	0	0	TWallach 3b	3	0	0	1
CWilson rf	2	0	0	0	LWalker rf	4	2	2	2
Zeile 3b	4	0	0	0	Burke p	0	0	0	0
Brewer 1b	4	1	1	0	Alou lf	0	0	0	0
GPena 2b	4	0	1	1	Galarrag 1b	4	1	2	1
Stephens c	4	0	0	0	Fitzgerald c	3	0	2	1
Jones ss	3	1	1	0	Nixon cf	0	1	0	0
Hill p	1	0	0	0	Owen ss	4	1	1	1
Dayley p	0	0	0	0	SAnderson p	2	0	0	0
Perez p	0	0	0	0	Sampen p	0	0	0	0
Sherrill p	0	0	0	0	Aldrete ph	0	0	0	0
Lankford cf	1	0	1	0	Santovenia c	2	2	2	2
Totals	33	2	7	2	Totals	32	9	11	9

St Louis	000	001	100-	2
Montreal	010	000	71x-	9

LOB-St Louis 5, Montreal 4. DP-St Louis 1, Montreal 1. E-Owen, Brewer. 2B-Fitzgerald 2, Gilkey, G. Pena, Brewer. 3B-Owen, Santovenia. HR-L. Walker (19), Santovenia (6). SB-Raines 3 (49), M. Thompson (25), DeShields (42), Galarraga (10), Da. Martinez (13). S-Hill. SF- Wallach.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St Louis						
Hill (L 5-6)	6	6	4	4	2	7
Dayley	1-3	2	3	3	1	1
Perez	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Sherrill	1-3	2	1	0	0	0
Camacho	1	1	1	1	1	1
Montreal						
S. Anderson	6	3	1	1	0	7
Sampen (W 12-7)	1	1	1	0	0	1
Burke	1	2	0	0	0	1
Rojas	1	1	0	0	0	2

Hill pitched to three batters in the 7th.

WP-Sampen. PB-Stephens.

Umpires-Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, McSherry; 2b, Davidson; 3b, C. Williams.

T-2:43. A-4,262.

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Yelding ss	4	1	1	0	Larkin ss	1	0	0	0
Candaele 2b	4	1	1	0	Oester 2b	2	1	2	0
Rohde 2b	0	0	0	0	Wnnnghm cf	2	0	0	0
Biggio c	3	0	2	1	Braggs rf	0	0	0	0
McGriff c	1	0	0	0	Oneill rf	4	0	1	1
GDavis 1b	2	0	0	0	EDavis lf	3	1	1	0
Young cf	0	1	0	0	Benzinger lf	1	0	0	0
Stubbs lf	4	0	1	0	Morris 1b	4	0	0	0
Ramirez ss	0	0	0	0	Quinones 3b	4	0	0	0
Caminiti 3b	4	0	2	2	Duncan 2b	4	0	0	0
Davidson rf	4	0	0	0	Oliver c	2	0	0	0
Cedeno ss	4	0	0	0	Sutko c	1	0	0	0
Simms 1b	0	0	0	0	Jackson p	1	0	0	0
Hennis p	2	0	0	0	BHatcher ph	1	0	0	0

Anthony ph	1	0	0	0	Gross p	0	0	0	0
Agosto p	0	0	0	0	Minutelli p	0	0	0	0
Smith p	0	0	0	0	Sabo ph	1	0	0	0
					Birtsas p	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	3	7	3	Totals	31	2	4	1

Houston	002	000	001- 3
Cincinnati	000	000	110- 2

E-Cedeno, McGriff. LOB-Houston 5, Cincinnati 5. 2B-Oester 2. 3B-Caminiti.
SB-Stubbs (19), E Davis 2 (21).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Hennis	6	1	0	0	1	0
Agosto	1 2-3	3	2	1	0	3
Smith (W 6-6)	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	2
Cincinnati						
Jackson	6	6	2	2	1	4
Gross	1	0	0	0	0	2
Minutelli	1	0	0	0	0	0
Birtsas (L 1-3)	1	1	1	1	1	1

HBP-By Hennis (Larkin), By Agosto (Braggs).

Umpires- Home, Harvey; 1b, Gregg; 2b, Crawford; 3b, Rennert.

T-2:15. A-10,150.

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi
Cora 2b	4	1	1	0	Javier cf	4	1	2	0
Jackson cf	5	1	4	2	Offerman ss	3	1	0	1
Carter lf	2	0	0	0	Poole p	0	0	0	0
Roberts lf	1	0	0	0	Hansen 3b	4	0	1	1
JeClark rf	4	1	1	2	Murray 1b	3	0	2	1
Pagliarul 3b	5	1	1	1	Lopez 1b	1	0	0	0
Parent c	5	1	2	1	Hatcher lf	4	0	0	0
Stephensn 1b	4	1	3	0	Hernandez c	4	0	1	0
Faries ss	3	1	1	0	Gonzalez rf	3	0	0	0
Show p	1	0	0	0	Vizcaino 2b	4	0	1	0
Lynn ph	1	0	0	0	Cook p	2	1	1	0
Rodriguez p	1	0	0	0	Aase p	0	0	0	0
					Holmes p	0	0	0	0
					Sharpersn ss	2	0	0	0
Totals	36	7	13	6	Totals	34	3	8	3

San Diego	003	004	000-	7
Los Angeles	001	020	000-	3

E-Faries, Hansen. DP-San Diego 2, Los Angeles 1. LOB-San Diego 8, Los Angeles 6. 2B-Cook, Stephenson. HR-Jackson (3), JeClark (5), Pagliarulo (7), Parent (3). SB-Cora (8), Javier (15). S-Show, Faries. SF- JeClark.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Show (W 6-8)	5	7	3	3	1	3
Rodriguez (S 1)	4	1	0	0	0	1
Los Angeles						
Cook (L 9-4)	5	10	5	5	1	1
Aase	1-3	1	2	0	2	0
Holmes	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Poole	2	1	0	0	0	0

Cook pitched to two batters in the sixth.

HBP-By Rodriguez (Gonzalez).

Umpires-Home, Bonin; 1b, Demuth; 2b, Marsh; 3b, Darling.

T-2:32. A-29,930.

ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
Smith lf	4	1	1	0	Butler cf	4	0	0	0
Bell 1b	5	1	2	1	Parker lf	4	1	1	0
Gant cf	3	0	1	2	Williams 3b	2	0	0	0
Justice 1b	4	0	0	0	Kingery rf	2	0	0	0
Treadway 2b	4	0	0	0	Decker c	4	1	1	0
Blauser ss	4	0	2	0	Laga 1b	4	2	2	1
Lemke 3b	4	0	1	0	Litton 3b	4	1	3	2
Kremers c	3	0	0	0	Leonard lf	2	0	1	1
Rosario pr	0	1	0	0	Bass ph	1	1	1	0
Mann c	1	0	0	0	Uribe ss	1	0	0	0
Leibrandt p	2	0	0	0	Santana ss	2	0	0	1
Gregg ph	0	0	0	0	Thompson 2b	1	0	0	0
Avery p	0	0	0	0	Downs p	2	0	0	0
McDowell ph	1	0	0	0	Bedrosian p	0	0	0	0
					Bathe ph	1	0	1	1
					Oliveras p	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	3	7	3	Totals	34	6	10	6

Atlanta	000	002	100-	3
San Francisco	020	100	12x-	6

E-Parker. LOB-Atlanta 8, San Francisco 4. 2B-Laga, Litton, M Bell, Blauser. 3B-Bathe. SB-Parker (6), Litton (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Atlanta						
Leibrandt	6	5	3	3	0	4
Avery (L 3-11)	2	5	3	3	0	0
San Francisco						
Downs	6 1-3	5	3	2	2	6
Bedrosn (W 9-9)	2-3	1	0	0	1	1
F Oliveras (S 2)	2	1	0	0	0	0

WP-Downs. B-Downs.

Umpires-Home, Montague; 1b, Hallion; 2b, Quick; 3b, West.

T-2:37. A-7,881.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	PHILADELPHIA	ab	r	h	bi
Dascenzo cf	3	0	0	1	Campusan cf	4	0	1	0
GSmith ss	5	0	0	0	Morandini 2b	4	2	2	0
Grace 1b	3	0	0	1	Chamberln lf	4	1	2	0
DwSmith rf	4	0	0	0	Kruk rf	3	0	0	0
May lf	4	0	1	0	McElroy p	0	0	0	0
Wynne cf	0	0	0	0	Daulton ph	1	0	0	0
Ramos 3b	3	1	0	0	Malone p	0	0	0	0
Wilkerson 2b	3	3	2	0	Jordan 1b	4	0	1	2
Girardi c	4	0	2	1	Thon ss	2	0	0	0
GMaddux p	3	0	1	1	Booker ss	2	0	0	0
Varsho ph	1	0	0	0	Hollins 3b	4	0	1	0
Assenmchr p	0	0	0	0	Fletcher c	3	0	0	0
					Ready ph	1	0	1	0
					Grimsley p	1	0	0	0
					Meadows lf	2	0	0	0
					Murphy ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	33	4	6	4	Totals	36	3	8	2

Chicago	001	010	200-4
Philadelphia	000	002	010-3

E-Thon, Wilkerson 2, GSmith. DP-Chicago 1, Philadelphia 1. LOB-Chicago 7, Philadelphia 6. 2B-Chamberlain, Wilkerson, Girardi. SB-Dascenzo (15).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
GMddx (W 15-15)	8	7	3	0	0	9
Assnmchr (S 10)	1	1	0	0	0	0
Philadelphia						
Grimsley	6	3	2	2	1	4
McElry (L 0-1)	2	3	2	2	3	4
Malone	1	0	0	0	1	1

WP-Grimsley.

Umpires-Home, Rapuano; 1b, Runge; 2b, Hohn; 3b, Davidson.

T-2:13. A-11,889.

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SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
Reynolds 2b	5	0	0	0	Munoz lf	5	2	2	0
Cotto cf	4	2	2	0	Newman 2b	4	1	1	1
Leonard lf	3	1	1	1	Puckett rf	5	0	2	0
Briley lf	1	0	1	0	Gaetti 3b	4	1	1	1
ADavis dh	4	0	1	0	Mack cf	5	2	3	1
Buhner rf	4	1	1	2	Larkin 1b	3	1	1	0
TMartinz 1b	4	0	2	0	Castillo dh	2	0	0	0
Schaefer 3b	3	0	1	0	Sorrento ph	1	0	1	2
SBradley ph	1	0	0	0	Ortiz c	3	0	0	1
Vizquel ss	3	0	2	0	Leius ss	2	0	0	1
Sinatro c	3	0	1	0					
POBrien ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	36	4	12	3	Totals	34	7	11	7

Seattle	300	000	010-	4
Minnesota	201	022	00x-	7

E-Reynolds, Vizquel, Swift, Burba, Munoz. DP-Seattle 2, Minnesota 3.
LOB-Seattle 6, Minnesota 11. 2B-Leonard, Mack, Sorrento. 3B-Munoz. HR-Buhner (7). S-Larkin.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO

Seattle							
R Jhnsn (L 14-11)	4 1-3	6	5	4	6	2
Swift	1 2-3	4	2	1	0	1
Burba	2	1	0	0	0	0

Minnesota						
Casian (W 2-1)	7	9	3	3	1	2
Garces	1	2	1	0	0	0
Aguilera (S 32)	1	1	0	0	0	0

PB-Ortiz. HBP-Ortiz By R. Johnson.

Umpires-Home, Phillips; 1b, Clark; 2b, Hirschbeck; 3b, McCoy.

T-2:31. A-9,826.

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Phillips 2b	4	3	2	0	Kelly cf	4	1	1	0
Fielder 1b	4	3	2	5	Mattingly 1b	4	0	1	1
Bergman 1b	0	0	0	0	JeBarfield rf	4	0	0	0
Trammell ss	4	1	1	0	Maas dh	4	1	2	2
GWard lf	3	2	2	4	Meulens lf	4	0	0	0
Sheets lf	2	0	0	0	Leyritz 3b	4	0	0	0
Lemon rf	5	0	3	0	Dorsett c	4	0	1	0
Fryman 3b	4	0	1	0	Velarde ss	3	0	0	0
Heath c	5	0	1	1	Walewndr 2b	3	1	1	0
Shelby cf	4	0	0	0					
Coles dh	5	1	0	0					
Totals	40	10	12	10	Totals	34	3	6	3

Detroit	400	210	030-10
New York	000	002	010- 3

E-Fryman, Leyritz. LOB-Detroit 8, New York 4. 2B-Lemon, Dorsett, Walewander.
HR-G Ward (9), Fielder 2 (51), Maas (21).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Mrrs (W 15-18)	9	6	3	3	0	5
New York						
Adkins (L 1-2)	4	7	7	7	4	2
Monteleone	3	2	0	0	1	5
Mills	2	3	3	2	0	0

Adkins pitched to two batters in the fifth.

Umpires-Home, Roe; 1b, L Barnett; 2b, Kosc; 3b, Morrison.

T-2:45. A-13,380.

CALIFORNIA	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Polonia lf	3	3	2	0	Henderson lf	3	1	1	0
Hill 1b	5	3	2	1	Jennings lf	3	0	1	0
Venable cf	4	1	1	2	Henderson cf	3	1	2	1
Winfield rf	3	0	2	3	Lewis cf	3	0	1	0
Howell 3b	4	1	1	2	Canseco rf	2	0	0	0
Rose 2b	2	1	1	0	DHowitt rf	2	0	0	0
Schu 1b	2	0	0	0	Baines dh	4	2	3	2
Coachmn dh	5	0	0	0	Afenir c	1	0	0	0
Disarcina ss	5	1	2	0	McGwire 1b	3	1	1	0
Orton c	4	1	2	2	Bordick 3b	1	0	0	0
					Lansford 3b	1	0	0	0
					Blnknshp 3b	3	1	2	0
					Steinbach c	2	0	0	0
					Quirk c	2	0	1	1
					Weiss ss	4	0	0	0
					Chitren p	0	0	0	0
					Hassey ph	1	0	1	1
					Randolph 2b	2	0	1	0
					Gallego 2b	3	0	0	0
Totals	37	11	13	10	Totals	43	6	14	5

California	101	700	020-11
Oakland	110	020	101- 6

E-Venable, D Henderson, Howell 2. DP-Oakland 1. LOB-California 6, Oakland 14. 2B-Orton 2. 3B-Venable. HR-Howell (8), Baines (16). SB-Polonia 3 (21), Venable (5). SF-Howell, Winfield.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
California						
Fetters	4 2-3	9	4	3	2	5
Young (W 1-1)	3 1-3	3	1	0	1	4
Eichhorn	1	2	1	1	0	1
Oakland						
Moor (L 13-15)	3 1-3	7	7	7	4	0
Burns	1 2-3	3	2	2	1	0
Cu Young	2 2-3	2	2	0	0	2
Chitren	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	2

WP-Moore, Chitren. HBP-by Eichhorn (Quick).

T-3:19. A-24,225.

Umpires-Home, Cooney; 1b, Brinkman; 2b, Cousins; 3b, Reed.

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
McRae cf	4	1	1	1	Cole cf	1	2	0	0
Stillwell ss	4	0	2	0	Browne 2b	2	0	0	1
Conine 1b	2	0	0	0	CJames dh	4	0	2	1
Pecota 3b	2	0	1	0	Maldonad rf	4	0	0	0
Perry dh	4	0	0	0	Baerga ss	3	1	1	0
Morman lf	2	1	1	0	Jacoby 1b	4	1	1	0
Thurman pr	0	0	0	0	Manto 3b	4	0	1	1
WWilson ph	1	0	0	0	Skinner c	3	1	2	1
Schulz rf	3	0	0	0	Jefferson lf	2	0	0	0
Berry 3b	1	0	0	0					
Brett ph	1	0	1	1					
BJackson ph	1	0	0	0					
Mayne c	3	0	0	0					
Jeltz 2b	2	0	1	0					
Seitzer ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	31	2	7	2	Totals	27	5	7	4

Kansas City	000	011	000-	2
Cleveland	100	200	20x-	5

E-Jeltz. DP-Kansas City 2, Cleveland 1. LOB-Kansas City 5, Cleveland 5. 2B-Stillwell 2, Morman, Pecota. HR-McRae (2). SB-Cole 2 (40). S-Schulz, Jefferson. SF-Browne, Brett.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Dr Smth (L 0-1)	6	5	3	3	4	6
McGaffigan	1	2	2	2	1	0
M Davis	1	0	0	0	0	1
Cleveland						
S Vldz (W 6-6)	6	5	2	2	0	5
Gozzo	2	2	0	0	1	1
D Jones (S 43)	1	0	0	0	0	1

WP-McGaffigan.

Umpires-Home, Tschida; 1b, Young; 2b, Coble; 3b, Welke.

T-2:19. A-5,196.

TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Belcher cf	3	0	0	0	Felder cf	4	2	2	1
Pettis ph	0	0	0	0	Gantner 2b	3	2	1	0
Franco 2b	2	0	0	0	Yount dh	3	0	1	2
Kunkel 2b	3	0	0	0	Deer rf	4	0	1	1
Palmeiro 1b	5	0	2	0	Surhoff c	4	1	1	1
Sierra rf	3	0	0	0	Hamilton lf	3	0	0	0
Buechele 2b	1	0	0	0	Sveum 3b	4	0	0	0
JoRussell lf	4	1	2	0	Spiers ss	4	1	2	1
Coolbagh 3b	3	2	1	0	Canale 1b	2	0	0	0
Haselman dh	3	0	1	2	Vaughn ph	1	0	0	0
Kreuter c	3	0	1	1	Brock 1b	0	0	0	0
Green ss	2	0	0	0					
Petralli ph	1	0	0	0					
Huson ss	0	0	0	0					
Totals	33	3	7	3	Totals	32	6	8	6

Texas	012	000	000-	3
Milwaukee	100	011	30x-	6

E-Kreuter, Green. LOB-Texas 10, Milwaukee 5. 2B-Kreuter, Coolbaugh, Surhoff. 3B-Felder. SB-Felder (20). S- Buechele. SF-Yount.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Chiamparino	6	4	3	1	1	2
J Brfld (L 4-3)	2-3	2	3	3	1	0
Arnsberg	1-3	2	0	0	0	0
Bitker	1	0	0	0	0	1
Milwaukee						
Higuera (W 11-10)	7	7	3	3	4	8
Machado (S 3)	2	0	0	0	2	4

Balk-Jo Barfield.

Umpires-Home, McKean; 1b, Kaiser; 2b, Johnson; 3b, Voltaggio.

T-2:41. A-7,182.

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
Calderon lf	4	0	0	0	JoReed 2b	4	0	0	0
Johnson cf	3	0	1	0	Quintana 1b	4	0	0	0

Fisk c	4	0	2	0	Boggs 3b	4	0	0	0
Thomas 1b	4	1	1	0	Burks cf	3	0	0	0
Pasqua dh	2	0	0	0	Greenwell lf	4	1	2	0
Ventura 3b	4	0	0	0	Evans dh	3	1	1	1
Sosa rf	3	0	1	0	Brunnsky rf	3	1	2	1
Fletcher 2b	3	0	0	0	Pena c	3	0	0	0
McCray pr	0	0	0	0	Rivera ss	2	0	1	0
Guillen ss	4	0	2	1					
Totals	31	1	7	1	Totals	30	3	6	2

Chicago	000	000	100- 1
Boston	030	000	00x- 3

DP-Chicago 1, Boston 1. LOB-Chicago 8, Boston 5. 2B-Greenwell, Fisk.
3B-Brunansky.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Frnndz (L 5-5)	8	6	3	2	2	6
Boston						
Bddckr (W 17-8)	7	5	1	1	3	4
Reardon (S 21)	2	2	0	0	0	2

HBP-By Boddicker (Johnson), by Reardon (Fletcher).

Umpires-Home, Merrill; 1b, McClelland; 2b, Denkinger; 3b, Shulock.

T-2:57. A-33,637.

TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi
MWilson cf	5	0	2	0	SFinley rf	3	0	1	2
TFernndz ss	3	0	1	0	BAnderson lf	4	0	0	0
Gruber 3b	5	0	1	0	CRipken ss	4	0	0	0
McGriff 1b	5	1	1	0	Horn dh	4	0	0	0
GBell lf	4	0	2	0	Tettleton c	4	1	1	1
Olerud dh	4	1	1	2	Devereax cf	3	0	1	0
Borders c	3	0	1	0	McKnight 1b	3	1	1	0
Sojo 2b	4	0	0	0	Wrthngtn 3b	3	0	1	0
Felix rf	4	0	1	0	Gonzales 3b	0	0	0	0
					BRipken 2b	2	1	2	0
Totals	37	2	10	2	Totals	30	3	7	3

Two out when winning run scored.

Toronto	000	000	020- 2
Baltimore	000	001	011- 3

E-S Finley. DP-Toronto 1. LOB-Toronto 11, Baltimore 3. 2B-B Ripken 2. 3B-S Finley. HR-Olerud (14), Tettleton (15). SF- S Finley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Stieb	7	6	2	2	0	6
Henke (L 2-4)	1 2-3	1	1	1	0	1
Baltimore						
McDonald	8 2-3	10	2	2	3	9
Olson (W 6-5)	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

Stieb pitched to three batters in 8th.

WP-McDonald. HBP-B Ripken By Stieb.

Umpires-Home, Garcia; 1b, Hendry; 2b, Palermo; 3b, Reilly.

T-3:04. A-26,913.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Playoff time allows managers to re-live the optimism of spring training, no matter what the facts.

In this year's National League matchup, for example, one team expects success because it's hitting well, and the other because it's not.

''I'm really pleased with the last two days' performance,'' Pittsburgh Manager Jim Leyland said on the eve of Game 1. ''The guys are on the ball pretty good. I think they have a good feeling going in. They're ready.''

''We're ready to go,'' Reds Manager Lou Piniella said. ''This is a new season and I feel good about the series. We haven't been hitting too well lately, so we must be saving the hits for the playoffs.''

Pittsburgh and Cincinnati meet in Riverfront Stadium Thursday night, with the Pirates' Bob Walk opposing the Reds' Jose Rijo. Both clubs ended the regular season with a loss.

In Pittsburgh, Frank Viola became a 20-game winner for the second time in his career, giving the New York Mets a 6-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates Wednesday.

And in Cincinnati, Ken Caminiti's ninth-inning triple scored pinch runner

Gerald Young from first to give the Houston Astros a 3-2 victory over the playoff-bound Reds.

Viola, who won 24 games in 1988, raised his record to 20-12. He had lost three straight in his quest for his 20th victory. He pitched seven innings, allowing seven hits. He walked two and struck out five. Alejandro Pena pitched the ninth for his fifth save. Mike York, 1-1, took the loss.

The game drew 27,641, giving the Pirates a home attendance of 2,049, 908, extending the club record.

Completing their 25-man roster for the playoffs, the Reds Wednesday added infielder Billy Bates and pitcher Jack Armstrong, but did not include pitcher Tim Layana, who appeared in 55 games with a 5-3 record and two saves.

Houston's Glenn Davis led off the ninth with a walk of loser Tim Birtsas, 1-3, and Youngran for Davis. Caminiti tripled to deep center to score Young. Dave Smith, 6-6, hurled the final 1 1-3 innings for the victory.

The Astros took a 2-0 lead in the third. Eric Yelding singled and took third on Casey Candaele's single. Craig Biggio singled, scoring Yelding, with Candaele stopping at second. Davis walked, loading the bases. Caminiti singled scoring Candaele, but Biggio was out at the plate, Paul O'Neill to Joe Oliver.

In other games, San Francisco downed Atlanta 6-3, Montreal clubbed St. Louis 9-2, Chicago nipped Philadelphia 4-3 and San Diego defeated Los Angeles 7-3.

In the American League, it was: Cleveland 5, Kansas City 2; Minnesota 7, Seattle 4; California 11, Oakland 6; Detroit 10, New York 3; Boston 3, Chicago 1; Baltimore 3, Toronto 2; Milwaukee 6, Texas 3.

-- AROUND THE NL --

Giants 6, Braves 3

At San Francisco, Greg Litton went 3-for-4 with a pair of RBI, lifting the Giants. Steve Bedrosian, 9-9, relieved starter Kelly Downs in seventh and pitched one inning. Francisco Oliveras entered in the eighth and picked up his second save. Steve Avery, 3-11, took the loss.

Expos 9, Cardinals 2

At Montreal, Spike Owen and Nelson Santovenia hit consecutive triples in a seven-run seventh, helping the Expos give manager Buck Rodgers his team-record 500th victory. St. Louis, managed by shortstop Ozzie Smith for the day, ended its season with a seven-game slide.

Cubs 4, Phillies 3

At Philadelphia, Joe Girardi doubled in one run and Mark Grace walked with the bases loaded to force in another, leading Chicago. Greg Maddux, 15-15, broke a two-game losing streak. Paul Assenmacher pitched the ninth for his 10th save. Reliever Chuck McElroy, 0-1, took the loss.

Padres 7, Dodgers 3

At Los Angeles, Mark Parent hit San Diego's fourth home run of the game to snap a 3-3 tie in the sixth. The Padres added three more runs in the sixth after Parent led off with his third home run to give Eric Show, 6-8, his 100th career victory. Rich Rodriquez pitched four innings for his first major-league save. San Diego collected all four solo blasts off loser Dennis Cook, 9-4.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - The right-field corner is now as much a part of Boston Red Sox lore as the left-field wall.

Tom Brunansky's sliding catch of Ozzie Guillen's liner down the right-field line with two on and two out in the top of the ninth inning Wednesday night clinched the Boston Red Sox third division title in the last five seasons with a 3-1 victory over the Chicago White Sox.

Red Sox fans in Fenway Park surely had visions of disasters past - Bucky Dent's game-winning homer and Bill Buckner's game-losing grounder - when Guillen ripped a pitch from Jeff Reardon that had double written all over it.

Brunansky, charging toward the line, made a sliding grab on the warning track out of view of television cameras, preserving the lead and sending the Red Sox into the American League Championship Series against the Oakland Athletics.

''As an outfielder you're taught to think certain things,'' said Brunansky, ''it was just instinctive. If I had to go back or if he hit it down the line, I was going to dive for it - take a chance.

As Brunansky scrambled to get to his feet, and with Red Sox fans pouring onto the field, there was still a moment of uncertainty as to whether Brunansky had made the catch.

''Yeah, I hung onto it,'' he said. ''I just wanted to get my hat. I said to him (first-base umpire Tim McClleland), take the ball. It's in my glove.''

Boston was paced by the strong seven-inning performance by veteran Mike Boddicker, 17-8, and a three-run offensive burst in the second inning.

The playoffs, a rematch of the 1988 series in which the A's swept the Red Sox,

are scheduled to begin Saturday at Fenway Park.

Boston's victory came even as second-place Toronto was fighting to prolong the race in Baltimore. The Blue Jays were taking the field for the bottom of the ninth inning when the scoreboard in Memorial Stadium replayed Brunansky's effort.

Moments later, Mickey Tettleton blasted a leadoff homer to lift the Orioles to a 3-2 victory.

''This team battled all year,'' Toronto Manager Cito Gaston said. ''They were 6 1-2 (games) back (in early September), and they came back. I'm proud of them.''

Tettleton's season-ending blast, his 15th home run of the season, tagged Tom Henke with his fourth loss against two wins.

The Red Sox dramatic clinching wasn't the only major story in the American League Wednesday.

At New York, Detroit's Cecil Fielder became the 11th player in major league history to hit 50 homers in a season by belting his 50th and 51st in the Tigers' 10-3 victory over the Yankees.

He became the first major-leaguer to hit 50 homers in a season since George Foster hit 52 in 1977. He also became the first American Leaguer since Yankee teammates Roger Maris and Mickey Mantle hit 61 and 54 respectively in 1961.

In addition, Fielder became the first Detroit player to hit 50 homers in over 50 years. Hank Greenberg belted 58 in 1938.

''I have a feeling of relief,'' said Fielder. ''There is a lot of pressure off me. My wife (Stacey Granger) told me 'If you do it, you do it, if not, you have had a great season.''

In Cleveland, George Brett singled in his only official at-bat and became the first player in history to win a batting title in three different decades.

Brett, a .200 hitter on May 7, won the AL batting crown with a .329 average and also became the third-oldest man to do so.

Only Ted Williams and Honus Wagner won titles at an older age than Brett, 37. Brett won batting titles in 1976 with a .333 average and in 1980 with a .390 mark.

Brett's single forced Oakland's Rickey Henderson to go 3-for-3, which he did not do. Henderson removed himself after going 1-for-3 and wound up at .325.

''I'm just glad I don't have to wait through this any more,'' Brett said after ending his season but before Henderson finished. ''It was stressful. Physically, I felt fine. Mentally, I was stressed out. I think the days off helped.''

At Oakland, Calif., Henderson fell short of overtaking Brett and the A's closed their regular season with an 11-6 loss to the California Angels.

Henderson struck out and singled in his first two at-bats then bounced into a fielder's choice in the fourth inning before leaving the game.

However, the Athletics did have one batting champion on the club as Willie McGee, acquired from the St. Louis Cardinals on Aug. 29, finished the season at .335 to capture the National League's title. Los Angeles' Eddie Murray finished second with a .330 average.

Henderson also failed to steal a base, leaving him at 65 for the year and keeping him two short of Lou Brock's major-league record of 938.

Elsewhere in the American League, Minnesota downed Seattle 7-4 and Milwaukee topped Texas 6-3.

In the NL, it was: New York 6, Pittsburgh 3; Montreal 9, St. Louis 2; San Francisco 6, Atlanta 3; Houston 3, Cincinnati 2; Chicago 4, Philadelphia 3 and San Diego 7, Los Angeles 3.

-- AROUND THE AL --

Twins 7, Mariners 4

At Minneapolis, Shane Mack had three hits, including a game-tying RBI double, to lead the Twins.

Brewers 6, Rangers 3

At Milwaukee, Robin Yount drove in two runs and Teddy Higuera allowed three runs over seven innings for Milwaukee.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

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The House is set to take a first vote today on the bipartisan budget agreement reached during the weekend. Head counters on both sides of the issue say the

outcome is up in the air. However, one Democrat says chances are ''better than 50-50'' that the measure will pass.

French President Mitterrand will meet with French commanders today in the Persian Gulf region. Mitterrand... who arrived in the United Arab Emirates yesterday... also plans to travel to Saudi Arabia as he conducts an inspection of French troops in the gulf region. .

Diplomats say foreign ministers of the Arab League are trying to resolve differences stemming from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. The ministers spent yesterday behind closed doors at the United Nations, where all are attending the U-N General Assembly session.

Germans are now living in a nation NO longer divided between East and West following a reunification- in the words of Chancellor Helmut Kohl- ''unparalled in European history.'' The move formally reunited the two Germanys into one nation yesterday... with one-thousand doves released in Bonn.

President Bush says he does NOT feel at all embattled... NOR that his presidency is on the line, despite troubles that involve U-S troops in the Persian Gulf and a possible recession on U-S soil. But Bush does concede that- quoting now- ''every once in a while the going gets a little tough.''

Democrats are warning President Bush that future U-S Supreme Court nominees may NOT enjoy the smooth ride given to David Souter. Delaware Senator Joseph Biden says he hopes the administration will NOT- in his words- ''learn the wrong lesson'' from the Senate's overwhelming confirmation of Souter.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
Brett, KC	544	82	179	.329
RHenderson, Oak	489	118	159	.325
Palmeiro, Tex	598	72	191	.319
Trammell, Det	559	71	170	.304
Boggs, Bos	619	89	187	.302
EMartinez, Sea	487	71	147	.302
Griffey Jr., Sea	597	91	179	.300
McGriff, Tor	557	91	167	.300
James, Cle	528	62	158	.299
Puckett, Min	551	82	164	.298

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	ab	r	h	pct.
McGee, StL	501	76	168	.335
Murray, LA	558	96	184	.330
Magadan, NY	451	74	148	.328
Dykstra, Phi	590	106	192	.325
Dawson, Chi	529	72	164	.310
Roberts, SD	556	104	172	.309
Grace, Chi	589	72	182	.309
Gwynn, SD	573	79	177	.309
Butler, SF	622	108	192	.309
Sandberg, Chi	615	116	188	.306

HOME RUNS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 51; McGwire, Oak 39; Canseco, Oak 37; McGriff, Tor 35 and Gruber, Tor 31.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi 40; Strawberry, NY 37; Mitchell, SF 35; Bonds, Pit and M.Williams, SF 33.

RUNS BATTED IN

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fielder, Det 132; Gruber, Tor 118; McGwire, Oak 108; Canseco Oak 101 and Sierra, Tex 96.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Williams, SF 122; Bonilla, Pit 120; Carter, SD 115; Bonds, Pit 114 and Strawberry, NY 108.

DOUBLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Jo.Reed, Bos and Brett, KC 45; Boggs, Bos and Calderon, Chi 44; Harper, Min 42.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Jefferies, NY 40; Bonilla, Pit 39; Sabo, Cin 38; Johnson, NY and Wallach, Mtl 37.

TRIPLES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Fernandez, Tor 17; Sosa, Chi 10; Johnson, Chi, Polonia, Cal and Liriano, Min 9.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Duncan, Cin 11; Gwynn, SD 10; Coleman, StL, Butler, SF and Smith Atl 9; Kruk, Phi, and Dunston, Chi 8.

STOLEN BASES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 65; Sax, NY 43; Kelly, NY 42; Cole, Cle 40

and Pettis, Tex 38.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Coleman, StL 77; Yelding, Hou 64; Bonds, Pit 52; Butler, SF 51 and Nixon, Mtl 50.

RUNS SCORED

AMERICAN LEAGUE - R.Henderson, Oak 119; Fielder, Det 104; Reynolds, Sea 100; Yount, Mil 98 and Phillips, Det 97.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Sandberg, Chi 116; Bonilla, Pit 112; Butler, SF 108; Gant, Atl 107 and Dykstra, Phi 106.

HITS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Palmeiro, Tex 191; Boggs, Bos 187; Kelly, NY 183; Greenwell, Bos 181; Griffey Jr., Sea and Brett, KC 179.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Dykstra, Phi and Butler, SF 192; Sandberg, Chi 188; Wallach, Mtl and Larkin, Cin 185 and Murray, LA 184.

VICTORIES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Welch, Oak 27; Stewart, Oak 22; Clemens, Bos 21; Finley, Cal Stieb, Tor and Hanson, Sea 18.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Drabek, Pit 22; Martinez, LA and Viola NY, 20; Gooden, NY 19 and Browning, Cin 15.

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (Minimum 160 innings pitched)

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Clemens, Bos 1.93; Finley, Cal 2.40; Stewart, Oak 2.56; Appier, KC 2.76 and Stieb, Tor 2.93.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Darwin, Hou 2.21; Z.Smith, Pit 2.55; Whitson, SD 2.60; Viola NY 2.67 and Rijo, Cin 2.70.

STRIKEOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Ryan, Tex 232; Witt, Tex 221; Hanson, Sea 211; Clemens, Bos 209 and Langston, Cal 195.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Cone, NY 233; Martinez, LA and Gooden, NY 223; Viola, NY 182and Fernandez, NY 181.

SAVES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Thigpen, Chi 57; Eckersley, Oak 48; Jones, Cle 43; Olson,

Bal 37 and Righetti, NY 36.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Franco, NY 33; Myers, Cin 31; L.Smith, StL 27; D.Smith, Hou and Lefferts, SD 23.

COMPLETE GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Stewart, Oak and Morris, Det 11; Finley, Cal, Witt, Tex, Young, Sea, Robinson, Mil and Clemens, Bos 7.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Martinez, LA 12; Hurst, SD and Drabek, Pit 9; Maddux, Chi, 8; De.Martinez, Mtl, Rijo, Cin and Viola, NY 7; 5 players tied with 6.

SHUTOUTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Stewart, Oak and Clemens, Bos 4; Appier, KC, Perez, Chi and Morris, Det 3; 11 tied with 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Morgan, LA and Hurst, SD 4; Drabek, Pit, Gardner and Boyd, Mtl, Martinez, LA, Viola, NY and Whitson, SD 3; 14 players tied with 2.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Cecil Fielder made history by hitting two home runs on the last day of the regular baseball season Wednesday, and Willie McGee did it without even appearing in a game.

Fielder, the Detroit Tigers' first baseman, hit his 50th and 51st homers of the season, becoming the first major-leaguer since George Foster to reach 50 in one year. Fielder also captured the AL RBI title with 132 RBI. San Francisco's Matt Williams won the NL RBI honor with 122 RBI.

McGee, now playing in the American League, wrapped up the National League batting title with a .335 average. He did not play in Oakland's season-ending, 11-6 loss to California.

Kansas City's George Brett, jockeying to become the first major- leaguer to take a batting title in three decades, succeeded with a .329 average. He went 1-for-1 to raise his record to .329, then left for a pinch-hitter.

Oakland's Rickey Henderson failed in pursuit, going 1-for-3, then also leaving the game. Henderson also failed in his attempt to break Lou Brock's all-time major league stolen bases record. He ended the season with 65, for a career total of 936. However, Henderson led the league with 119 runs scored.

In the National League, Vince Coleman of the St. Louis Cardinals stole 77 bases to capture the honors.

Ryne Sandberg of the Chicago Cubs led the NL for most home runs, 40, and 116 runs scored.

Boston's Jody Reed and Brett tied for most doubles in the AL with 45 apiece. Gregg Jefferies of the New York Mets wrapped up the season with 40 two-baggers.

Tony Fernandez of Toronto tripled 17 times to lead the American League while Mariano Duncan of Cincinnati Reds totalled 11.

The Texas Rangers' Rafael Palmeiro led the AL in hits with 191. Philadelphia's Len Dykstra and San Francisco's Brett Butler tied for the NL lead with 192.

Bob Welch of the AL West Champion Oakland Athletics finished with 27 victories and Doug Drabek led the NL with 22 wins as a member of the Eastern Division champion Pittsburgh Pirtaes.

Despite being sidelined with shoulder in early September, Boston's Roger Clemens 1.93 ERA was the best in the American League. Danny Darwin of the Houston Astros compiled an NL-low ERA of 2.21.

Nolan Ryan of the Texas Rangers struck out 232 batters to lead the American League and David Cone notched 233 strikeouts to lead the NL

Bobby Thigpen of the Chicago White Sox saved 57 games while the New York Mets' John Franco saved 33.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - A powerful line of storms pounded the Midwest Thursday, carrying lightning and winds that gusted to 35 mph while heavy rains soaked the Gulf coast states and more violent weather struck the Rocky Mountains.

Tropical Storm Klaus stalled about 100 miles southeast of Antigua but was expected to resume its northwest drift later in the day with winds near 60 mph and tropical storm warnings were issued for islands in the northeast Caribbean.

A strong line of storms with winds topping 50 mph that knocked down trees and power lines in Illinois on Wednesday continued its eastward march Thursday, soaking Ohio and Indiana and moving into Kentucky and West Virginia.

Power was restored early Thursday to nearly all of the 15,000 customers in Chicago and its suburbs who were left in the dark by the storm.

To the south, showers and thunderstorms doused northeast Texas, southwest Arkansas and northwest Louisiana with up to 2 inches of rain an hour. The runoff from the storms caused ponding on local roads and prompted a flash

flood watch for parts of northeast Texas.

Strong gusty winds blew in the foothills of the Rocky Moutains west of Denver, Colo., with the strongest blast hitting 87 mph in the town of Rollinsville, just east of the Continental Divide.

The winds eased at lower elevations and as sunrise approached.

Partly cloudy skies covered much of the Northeast as low temperatures dropped into the 50s.

Most of the South was warm and dry with temperates still topping 90 degrees in several cities.

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#90277u0361 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

MASSY, France (OCT. 4) UPI - An explosion ripped through an apartment building on the outskirts of Paris at dawn Thursday, collapsing the top three floors, burying at least 40 people under the rubble and killing at least two, firefighters said.

Firemen who raced to the scene pulled one dead person and six injured, three of them in serious condition, from the building at Massy- Palaiseau in the department of Essonne southwest of the capital and some 3 miles from Orly Airport, fire officers said.

Earlier police reports put the toll at two dead but the firefighters said there was only one confirmed fatality.

Ambulance teams set up a field hospital in an inflatable marquee at the foot of the building and some 100 firemen sifted through the rubble in search of between 40 and 50 people believed to be living there.

There was no immediate indication of the cause of the accident in the five story building but firefighters said it could have been a gas explosion.

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TOKYO (OCT. 4) UPI - Riots triggered by allegations of police corruption continued unabated Thursday in Osaka.

Day laborers in Osaka, Japan's second-largest city, 250 miles southwest of Tokyo, clashed with police, hurled stones and burned vehicles. Ten people were injured and dozens arrested, local media reports said.

The workers were angered by the arrest Wednesday night of a police officer on

charges of accepting bribes from gangsters, the reports said.

Much of the day-contracted labor is in fields such as construction that are said to be dominated by the underworld. The workers were apparently angered that the police who were supposed to protect them from exploitation were subject to corruption.

Some 1,500 riot police fought with rioters Wednesday night and Thursday, but failed to prevent the disturbances from reigniting periodically.

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AMMAN, Jordan (OCT. 4) UPI - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, whose country is dependent on Middle East oil, met Thursday morning with an Iraqi deputy prime minister and called on Baghdad to withdraw from Kuwait.

In the first high-level meeting between the two countries since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2, Kaifu's official spokesman, Shigeo Takenaka, said Kaifu and Taha Yassin Ramadan exchanged views and decided to continue the dialogue later in seeking a peaceful solution to the crisis.

Kaifu arrived in Amman from Cairo Tuesday as part of a Middle East tour to discuss the crisis with the leaders of Egypt, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Turkey and Oman, and to announce emergency aid for the three ''front-line states'' considered the most financially-hit by the crisis - Egypt, Jordan and Turkey.

The Japanese spokesman told reporters here that Kaifu made Japan's position on the Persian Gulf affair clear to Ramadan, and in return, the Iraqi official explained the reasons that led to the invasion of Kuwait.

Takenaka said during the 1 1/2-hour-long meeting, the prime minister called on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, allow restoration of the legitimate Kuwaiti government and ensure the freedom of all foreigners detained in Kuwait and Iraq. He did not say whether the legitimate government meant the emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber Ahmad al Sabah.

He added Kaifu made it clear to Ramadan that only when these conditions were met, could ''fruitful negotiations for peace follow.''

Takenaka said the Iraqi official gave a lengthy statement explaining Iraq's position and acknowledged the differences between the two positions, ''but expressed appreciation to continue the dialogue with Japan.''

The spokesman added Ramadan touched upon a French proposal for a solution to the crisis delivered by French President Francois Mitterand at the United Nations. The proposal included Iraq promising to withdraw from Kuwait, the restoration of an elected Kuwaiti government and an international peace

conference to solve all Middle East conflicts, including the Israeli-Arab conflict.

''Ramadan said that Iraq could appreciate the French proposal as a first step to peace and can be followed up,'' Takenaka said.

The spokesman said Japan has not yet taken an official position on the French proposal, but placed the resolving of the crisis as a priority before other Middle East problems.

He said Japan hoped to solve the crisis through political and peaceful means and stressed the importance of implementing U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

Japan agreed to comply with a U.N. embargo against Iraq and Iraqi- occupied Kuwait, even though that has meant curtailing vital oil shipments from those former suppliers.

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JAKARTA, INDONESIA (OCT. 4) UPI - Government health officials alarmed by a growing number of smokers in Indonesia, particularly among youth, said Thursday warning labels will be required on domestic cigarette packages starting next April.

The new regulations also will require cigarettes packages to state their product's tar and nicotine content, Health Minister Adhyatma said.

The warning label to be required beginning April 1991 will state that ''Smoking is hazardous to health,'' Adhyatma said.

The government statement did not specifically indicate whether the new regulations would apply to cigarettes produced outside the country, although virtually all cigarettes sold in Indonesia are made domestically.

Foreign-owned cigarette companies in Indonesia, producing such U.S. brand names as Salem, Marlboro and Kent, are believed to account for about 40 percent of the domestic cigarette market.

Adhyatma said the government's action follows studies showing cigarettes made in Indonesia are more hazardous than those produced in foreign countries, and that the number of smokers in Indonesia has been increasing steadily.

Indonesia is believed to be the world's largest consumer of ''kreteks,'' which are cigarettes containing a mixture of tobacco and clove. Kreteks have tar and nicotine levels two to three times greater than typical tobacco cigarettes.

Warning labels are placed on kreteks exported to the United States.

Half of Indonesia's population of 185 million is younger than 25. Health officials said they estimate 53 percent of those between 15 and 19 smoke, many of them heavily.

A recent study of child vendors on Jakarta's streets showed they began smoking well before age 15, frequently as young as 9.

Earlier this year, Indonesian Education Minister Fuad Hassan banned teachers from smoking in schools and on school premises. The ban followed reports smoking was increasing among junior and senior high school students, especially in larger cities.

The government also plans to begin studies to further examine the tar and nicotine content of cigarettes sold in the country, Adhyatma said.

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TYRE, Lebanon (OCT. 4) UPI - Rival Palestinian factions clashed Thursday in a refugee camp in southern Lebanon, wounding three gunmen, security sources said.

Guerrillas of the mainstream Al Fatah movement headed by PLO chief Yasser Arafat and gunmen of the the Palestinian Communist Party exchanged machine-gun fire and rocket grenades in the Rashidiyeh camp on the outskirts of the port city of Tyre, 46 miles south of Beirut, the sources said.

The fighting broke out when Arafat's followers attacked a PCP position in an attempt to erase the party's military presence in the camp, the sources said.

They said three gunmen were wounded, including a Fatah field commander in the camp named Jamal Katou.

Tension prevailed after a squad from the Palestine Liberation Organization's ''Armed Struggle'' that maintains security in the camp cordoned off the scene of the fighting and disarmed the rival gunmen, the sources said.

Observers said the clashes were part of Arafat's effort to tighten control over the Palestinian refugee camps in southern Lebanon.

Last June, Arafat's loyalists defeated the Fatah Revolutionary Council of Abu Nidal in Rashidiyeh, the second largest Palestinian base in southern Lebanon.

Three months later, they crushed Abu Nidal's group in the refugee camp of Ein El Helweh, at the outskirts of the port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut, after fighting that killed 68 people and wounded 220 others.

Abu Nidal, whose real name is Sabry Al Banna, maintains bases in

Syrian-policed west Beirut, eastern and northern Lebanon. He tops the west's most wanted list for extremist operations spanning a decade and a half.

In Sidon, Arafat's group released 13 out of 30 FRC members who were taken prisoner following last month's fighting.

Palestinian security sources revealed that Iraq was exerting efforts to reconcile the warring factions.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange fell sharply in thin trading Thursday as a bout of profit taking drove the market's leading indicator down 2.5 percent.

The Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which eased 49.02 points Wednesday, plummeted 571.20 points - or 2.5 percent - to 22,278.19.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, which measures the value of all listed shares, fell 20.53 points to 1,649.52. TOPIX had inched up 1.22 points Wednesday.

Volume was light as an estimated 320 million shares changed hands, compared with 582 million shares Wednesday. Declines led advances by nearly a 2-to-1 margin.

Analysts said prices fell on profit taking in the wake of Tuesday's spectacular rally, in which the Nikkei gained a record 13.2 percent.

''The rise was so sharp, there's going to be some profit taking afterwards,'' said analyst Christopher Schreiber of New Japan Securities Co.

''But people still feel we've hit a second bottom,'' he said, referring to the low of 20,221.86 set by the market on Monday, following a bottom established in the first crash April 2.

Thursday's trading patterns showed that investors were pausing to decide which stocks to keep, analysts said.

Market watchers noted growing diversification within sectors such as blue-chip electronics.

Other investors appeared to be seeking a safe haven in pharmaceutical issues, which led all others in gains Thursday. Brokers attributed the popularity to the notion the sector is recession-proof in a rapidly aging society like Japan.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices tumbled nearly 6 percent on the Thailand Stock

Exchange, reacting to the fall on other world markets and uncertainty in the Middle East.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index, which gained 9.34 points Wednesday, fell 41.86 points - or 5.9 percent - to 671.86.

Volume remained brisk but slipped from Wednesday's pace as an estimated 2.3 billion shares changed hands, compared with 3.2 billion shares on Wednesday.

Stocks fell from the opening bell, analysts said, adding investors are afraid there will be a reshuffle in the Thai government.

Thai newspapers reported sharp dissension in the six-party coalition government and some speculated the government would soon fall.

Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan told reporters he had no intention of calling an election, but his comments came too late to affect the day's trading.

In Singapore, stocks closed lower in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in line with drops on other global markets.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 17.94 points Wednesday, dipped 2.67 points to 1,117.60. The broader-based All Singapore Index eased 1.11 points to 312.72.

Volume eased to only 16.9 million shares, compared with 32.5 million shares changing hands Wednesday.

Some profit taking was reported, following gains earlier in the week. Brokers said a technical correction from the sharp rise on Monday was expected.

On the trading floor, Singapore Airlines foreign shares paced the declining issues followed by Keppel Corp. and ASEAN Fund U.S.

Great Eastern Life led the advancing issues followed by Jurong Engineering and Malayan Banking.

Elsewhere around the region, the Hong Kong Stock Exchange was closed for the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival holiday. Trading will resume on Friday.

In Australia, stocks fell sharply in moderate trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which fell 20.7 points Wednesday, lost another 16.8 points to 1,368.5. The closely watched Gold Index eased 1.0 point to 1,413.7.

Turnover amounted to 94.3 million shares, above the 61.7 million shares

changing hands Wednesday.

Analysts noted the loss confirmed local investors have resumed bearish tendencies. Losses were equal in all sectors.

News Corp., which announced plans to merge its top selling Daily Mirror and Daily Telegraph into a 24-hour Sydney newspaper, and to do the same with its Sun and Herald in Melbourne, shed 22 cents to $6.70.

Elsewhere, Brambles lost 20 cents to $12.65, Coles Myer slipped 8 cents to $7.56, Fletcher Challenge eased 4 cents to $2.72, Elders IXL lost 4 cents to $1.24, Westpac Bank dropped 9 cents to $3.99 and BHP Oil fell 12 cents to $10.38.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has made his first visit to Kuwait since Iraq's invasion. The official Iraqi News Agency says Saddam toured the country yesterday. Kuwait- according to the news agency- ''appeared flourishing after its return to the mother homeland.'' The French-Iraqi Friendship Association meanwhile said in Jordan that Iraq has offered to release all French hostages if French officials go to Iraq.

A spokesman for Philippine President Corazon Aquino says there is NO need to declare martial law... despite the announced takeover of a Philippine island by rebel soldiers. The renegades took over two cities without firing a shot today and proclaimed an independent federal republic on Mindanao island. The U-S Embassy issued a statement declaring ''UNequivocal support'' for Aquino.

The House has passed a major overhaul of immigration law designed to let in more Europeans. Currently... about 85 percent of all immigration comes from Latin America and Asia. The bill passed yesterday would increase immigration in general, while helping to unite families and allow for more skilled workers. The Senate has passed a similar bill. Negotiators will now try to work out a compromise.

Doctors from New York City and Los Angeles report an epidemic of syphilis. Those warnings were sounded yesterday at the American Public Health Association annual conference in Manhattan. One Los Angeles County hospital found syphilis rates for newborn infants up 14-hundred percent in four years. In New York, the greatest increases are among women and blacks.

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#90277u0574 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 4) UPI - French authorities say an explosion at an apartment building 10 miles outside Paris has killed at least two people and buried an estimated

40 to 50 others. The dawn blast collapsed the top three floors of the five-story building in Massy. Firefighters have pulled 10 injured victims from the debris. There was NO immediate indication of the cause but firefighters say it could have been a gas explosion.

UNofficial projections suggest Brazilian voters have given a strong vote of confidence to their president's program to eliminate state control of the economy. A respected Brazilian poll during yesterday's election found the party of President Fernando Collor de Mello winning 65 percent of parliament. The president ordered free market reforms in March to slow runaway inflation and lower the fiscal deficit.

An Atlanta man who once said he still loved his wife even though she allegedly tried to hire a ''hit man'' to kill him has filed for divorce. Burton Jordan filed a petition yesterday asking for custody of the couple's two minor children, as well as the family home, alimony and child support. When his wife was arrested this summer for conspiracy to commit murder... Jordan said he forgave her.

Thanks to a Scottish Aviation enthusiast... two American sisters now have old family snapshots and their mother's love letters to their father... though he died 40 years ago. The mementos were recovered from a wrecked bomber in 1981 and filed away in an aviation museum in Dumfries, Scotland. Scotsman Ronnie Waugh found the papers and tracked down the family. One sister says they were ''very moved'' to receive their father's possessions.

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BANGKOK (OCT. 4) UPI - Sabotage has seriously disrupted Cambodia's rail transport system, the Vietnamese-installed government admitted Thursday.

''According to a report by the Kampuchean Railway Co., during the first eight months of this year the Khmer bandits on 72 occasions sabotaged the operation of the two railways by mining and derailing trains, opening fire on and plundering passengers,'' the official SPK news agency reported.

It said 13 railway bridges were blown and five locomotives were destroyed. Saboteurs also tore up 3.5 miles of railroad track, it said.

Because of the destruction, the transport sector was able to achieve only 52 percent of the national transport plan in the first nine months of the year, the report said. The attacks on transportation routes are blamed for increasing inflation and economic problems.

The agency said the government was working hard to repair the damage. It said 10 additional railway cars have been bought from Vietnam and two locomotives will be boughyt from Czechoslovakia next year.

The report said a U.N. delegation inspected the railways in the western part of the country and promised to provide $33 million for the restoration of the rail line from Sisophon to the Thai border. That portion of the rail system has not been used since the waning days of the Indochina War in 1975.

A separate SPK report indicated that fighting eased in the country during the third week of September when only 33 guerrillas were killed and 24 taken prisoner.

The report did not give comparative figures but the number is substantially less than similar weekly reports of fighting last month.

The period coincided with talks in Bangkok meant to pave the way for a political settlement. The meeting, however, broke down and both sides predicted an increase in the fighting.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 4) UPI - Five people including two women and three children died early Thursday in a house fire in North Milwaukee, fire officials said.

Fire Chief August Erdmann said two women were killed in the fire and three children were not breathing when they were taken to hospitals. They later were pronounced dead.

Erdmann said 24 people were in the 2 1/2-story house at 2926 N. Vine northwest of downtown Milwaukee when the fire broke out about 5 a.m., including nine people on the first floor and 15 on the second and third floors.

''The fire started in the front of the house on the first floor. The fire is under investigation and we really don't know the cause yet,'' Erdmann said.

The five victims were among those on the first floor, Erdmann said.

Barbara Garth, 36, a registered nurse at the Milwaukee County Mental Health Complex, lives next door to the house involved in the fire and had just gotten up when she heard yelling and the sound of glass breaking next door.

''I opened the door and heard the fire, and saw flames shooting out the downstairs window, a big picture window,'' she said. ''There was a lot of smoke. I dialed 911 and told them where the fire was located. My mom also dialed.''

Garth said she went next door to see what she could do to help.

''There were a couple of adults and kids were everywhere,'' she said. ''A

couple people wanted to run back in, I told them 'Don't go back in.' The living room in the front on the lower level was in flames and by then flames were in the kitchen area, just about the whole house was on fire.''

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(OCT. 4) UPI - French firefighters are shifting through the rubble of an apartment building that collapsed after an explosion today. Officials say a gas leak may have caused the blast that killed at least one person and left scores more injured.

In the Philippines, rebel soldiers today seized two southern cities without firing a shot. The renegede troops are led by President Aquino's former deputy security chief, who says he'll set up an independent federal republic.

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A military spokesman says the rebels took control of a garrison where about 300 pro-Aquino troops are holed up. The spokesman adds soldiers in Manila today arrested the leader of two previous coup attempts.

Illinois Republican Henry Hyde calls it ''an agonizing process.'' The House member says he does NOT expect to make up his mind on a budget plan until seconds before casting his vote- a move that may come in the House today.

An elementary school teacher in Jacksonville, Florida, will have to stop reading Bible stories to her pupils- at least for now. A federal judge temporarily halted the readings until he can hold a final hearing.

The prosecution is expected to call a rebuttal witness today before closing arguments are made in an obscenity trial in Cincinnati. An art gallery and its director face charges for showing photographs by Robert Mapplethrope.

Day laborers clashed with police for a second day in Japan's second- largest city, Osaka. The riots involve workers angered by yesterday's arrest of a police officer on corruption charges.

Thousands of U-S workers demanded national health insurance reform across the nation yesterday. Protest organizers say of the 37-Million Americans who doN'T have health insurance, three of four are working people and their families.

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#90277u0643 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 4) UPI - Technicians at Cape Canaveral will spend most of the day loading supercold liquid hydrogen and liquid oxygen into the shuttle Discovery. NASA hopes to launch Discovery Saturday on a trip to put a nuclear-

powered probe into space.

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In Washington, a federal judge will today hear from environmentalists who want NASA to change the nuclear-powered probe on the shuttle into a solar-equipped one. A ruling in the case is expected tomorrow.

Monaco's royal family is coping with its second tragedy in eight years. The 30-year-old husband of Princess Caroline died in a speedboat accident yesterday during a world championship trial race off the coast of Monaco.

A New Yorker's request for a new lawyer was granted by a judge who also found Daniel Rakowitz mentally fit to stand trial. The restaurant worker is accused of killing his girlfriend last year.

The University of Iowa says it conducted the first study measuring Soviet public opinion on political and economic reforms. Most Soviets polled favored nuclear disarmament... but were pessimistic about the Soviet economy.

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#90277u0658 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

NORTH OLMSTED, OH (OCT. 4) UPI - Cleveland Browns cornerback Frank Minnifield is promising to file a collusion suit against the NFL and the Browns for the handling of negotiations before he ended his holdout this week.

Minnifield and his agent, Stan White, said Wednesday there was collusion between the Browns and the Atlanta Falcons in an attempt for force Minnifield into accepting a contract offer from the Falcons so he could be traded.

White, who said he hopes the suit will lead to the Browns trading Minnifield before the Oct. 16 trading deadline, said Minnifield could have received a higher-paying contract from the Washington Redskins.

The Browns wanted to trade Minnifield to Atlanta for offensive lineman Bill Fralic.

Atlanta reportedly offered Minnifield $825,000 a year for two years, and the Browns reduced their offer to Minnifield to $660,000.

''When Frank would turn down the Falcons offer,'' White said, ''the Browns would reduce their offer to him. When he turned them down again, they withdrew the rights of Frank to negotiate with the Washington Redskins.

''It was obvious they were sharing information and trying to force Frank to accept the Atlanta deal,'' White said. ''That's why they filed a complaint with the commissioner's office about Washington, even though they had given

Washington permission to negotiate.''

White said Minnifield, who was in his fourth Pro Bowl last season, would have accepted an offer made by Washington, but Washington and Cleveland could not agree on a trade.

The National Football League Players Association already has five antitrust suits pending against the NFL.

''The NFLPA has been monitoring this case,'' White said, ''and (NFLPA general counsel) Dick Berthelsen has called it the most compelling case of antitrust violation it has seen so far in all the cases it has filed over the past two years.''

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#90277u0722 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 4) UPI - Authorities believe an explosion in an apartment building outside Paris has buried 40 to 50 residents. Firefighters now have confirmed one person dead and six injured. Ambulance teams set up a field hospital at the foot of the five-story building. Officials say the dawn blast could have been caused by gas.

Rebel soldiers today seized two Philippine cities and proclaimed the island of Mindanao independent. President Corazon Aquino said she will put down the uprising and appealed to people to rally against the soldiers. A military spokesman says the rebel soldiers peacefully took control of a garrison with 300 pro-Aquino troops inside.

The House is scheduled to vote today on the bipartisan budget plan. Assistant House Republican leader Newt Gingrich of Georgia opposes the plan but says its passage is ''up in the air.'' Opposition is coming from the far ends of the two-party spectrum... from liberal Democrats and conservative Republicans.

The United States and Soviet Union have agreed in principle to conventional force cuts in Europe. The agreement yesterday at the U-N calls for cutting troops, aircraft, artillery and armored vehicles. NATO approval is expected because the organization was consulted at every stage of the long negotiations.

Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu met this morning with an Iraqi deputy prime minister and called on Baghdad to withdraw from Kuwait. The meeting in Amman, Jordan, is the first high-level exchange between the two countries since Iraq invaded Kuwait. Kaifu's spokesman said the two officials will continue the dialogue later.

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#90277u0726 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

GAINESVILLE, FL (OCT. 4) UPI - One of two publicly identified suspects in the killing of five college students has been ruled out by investigators, a published report said Thursday.

Stephen Michael Bates was dropped from a list of suspects after blood and hair samples and a search of his Lakeland home failed to turn up any links to the slayings, The Tampa Tribune reported citing an unidentified law enforcement source.

Task force members probing the multiple killings declined to say whether Bates 30, was still a suspect. One official said the task force would not discuss Bates or any other suspect.

Meanwhile, a Brevard County circuit judge in Melbourne refused Wednesday to unseal a 75-page affidavit that led police to search Edward Lewis Humphrey's residences and car.

Humphrey, who will turn 19 Friday, is the only other suspect identified by authorities.

An earlier published report said laboratory tests on evidence obtained in the searches also failed to link Humphrey to the three crime scenes, but police refused comment on that report as well.

Alachua County Chief Assistant State Attorney John C. Carlin testified at the Melbourne hearing that ''60 to 70 percent of what is in the documents has not been released. The preponderance of information is still confidential and must remain so.

''One of the principal suspects, obviously, is Humphrey,'' he said. ''The sealed information is critical to the investigation. There is crime-scene data that only could be known by the true culprit.''

Humphrey is being held on $1 million bail at Brevard County jail in Sharpes on an unrelated charge of beating his grandmother, Elna Hlavaty, 79. He is scheduled for trial Monday on that charge.

Bates was named as a suspect by a task force spokesman, but Polk Sheriff Lawrence W. Crow Jr. said Bates was ''not a real strong suspect.''

The cook turned himself in to Polk County authorities Aug. 29 on charges that he broke into a neighbor's home and threatened a women with a knife.

According to reports, investigators turned up books on Satanism and Jack the Ripper, knives, pornography and women's panties at Bates' home, but found no connection to the student killings.

Bates, who is being held in lieu of $100,500 bail at the Polk County Jail,

tried unsuccessfully last week to bar the media from information concerning his case.

The bodies of the five victims, all college students who lived within 2 miles of each other and within 2 miles of the University of Florida campus, were discovered within a 48-hour period in August.

The victims were Christina Powell, 17, of Jacksonville; Sonya Larson, 18, of Deerfield Beach; Christina Hoyt, 18, of Gainesville; Tracey Paules, 23, of Palm Springs North; and Manuel Taboada, 23, of Carol City.

All were stabbed to death and all but Hoyt attended UF. The student at Santa Fe Community College died of multiple stab wounds and her body was mutilated, along with Powell's and Larson's, authorities said.

According to published reports, Hoyt was beheaded and her body was sliced open from the pelvis to the brestbone.

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#90277u0730 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - An 1845 newspaper article indicates that baseball was being played in the New York area a year earlier than was previously thought and the game may have originated in New York City, The New York Times reported Thursday.

The story from the New York Morning News refers to ''the time-honored game of Base,'' indicating the game already was popular and mentioning other teams.

The newspaper story, which was found at the New York Historical Society by Harvard graduate student Edward Widmer, is believed to be the earliest sample of a box score of a baseball game played in 1845, the report said.

It also suggests that the game was probably formed by a group of city players in the mid-1840s rather than by one man.

The story in the New York Morning News describes a game on Oct. 21, 1845, between the New York Ball Club and a team from Brooklyn played at Elysian Fields in nearby Hoboken, N.J.

''A friendly match of the time-honored game of Base was played yesterday at the Elysian Fields, Hoboken,'' the article said.

New York won, 14-4, aided by a grand slam, or in the jargon of the day, ''four aces'' off a single hit.

''The good feeling and hilarity that prevailed showed that the Brooklyn players, though defeated, were not disheartened,'' the story said.

Popular myth holds that baseball was invented in Cooperstown by Abner Doubleday.

Historians have instead credited Alexander Cartwright, a New York bank clerk, who is said to have drawn up the rules and organized the first game in 1846 for the Knickerbocker Base Ball Club at the Elysian Fields, a favorite recreational spot for young sports of the era.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	82	47	....
Anchorage cy	43	35	....
Asheville sh	75	53	....
Atlanta ts	80	63	....
Baltimore ts	81	50	....
Billings w	75	52	....
Birmingham ts	84	61	.08
Bismarck pc	64	36	....
Boston w	72	57	....
Brownsville pc	92	76	....
Buffalo sh	69	54	.06
Burlington Vt. sh	71	50	....
Charleston S.C. pc	88	75	....
Charlotte cy	82	58	....
Chicago sy	70	48	.38
Cincinnati pc	74	49	1.70
Cleveland w	69	47	.50
Columbus Ohio pc	72	48	1.30
Dallas sy	87	61	.15
Denver sy	82	48	....
Des Moines pc	73	49	.42
Detroit w	70	45	.25
Duluth w	56	37	.53
El Paso sy	85	52	....
Evansville sy	78	51	1.42
Fargo pc	60	36	....
Hartford w	72	50	....
Honolulu sy	89	74	....
Houston pc	91	71	....
Indianapolis sy	73	49	1.89
Jackson Miss. ts	86	63	.82
Jacksonville pc	89	73	....
Kansas City sy	78	53	.90

Las Vegas sy	91	64	....
Little Rock sy	84	60	1.15
Los Angeles f	88	64	....
Louisville pc	75	52	1.51
Memphis pc	80	55	1.73
Miami Beach pc	89	79	....
Milwaukee w	67	48	.46
Minneapolis w	63	44	.13
Nashville r	78	52	1.76
New Orleans ts	90	72	.08
New York sh	74	58	....
Oklahoma City sy	83	56	.02
Omaha sy	75	51	.34
Orlando pc	92	77	.14
Philadelphia sh	77	54	....
Phoenix sy	96	70	....
Pittsburgh ts	70	47	.13
Portland Me. sh	65	50	....
Portland Ore. r	70	51	.08
Providence w	73	53	....
Richmond ts	82	57	....
St. Louis sy	78	55	.93
Salt Lake City f	77	52	....
San Antonio pc	88	69	....
San Diego f	78	67	....
San Francisco sy	78	58	....
San Juan pc	90	78	.13
Seattle r	63	49	.15
Spokane w	65	44	.06
Tampa pc	92	77	....
Washington ts	80	55	....
Wichita sy	79	53	.01

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

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#90277u0743 10/04/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 4) UPI - The parliament of the united Germany convened its first session today in Berlin. The 663 deputies used the historic Reichstag parliament building for the first time since 1933. Chancellor Helmut Kohl promised that Germany will support western democracies... ''especially'' the United States.

Indonesia says warning labels will be required on domestic cigarette packages starting next April. The new regulations also will require cigarette packages to state their very high tar and nicotine content. Health officials estimate more than half of those between 15 and 19 in Indonesia smoke.

The American Civil Liberties Union says the obscenity conviction involving the rap group Two Live Crew will cause self-censorship among artists. The A-C-L-U says yesterday's decision in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, means ''words can be criminal.'' Florida Governor Bob Martinez says people have the right to set community standards.

A federal appeals court in San Francisco has refused to reinstate California's campaign contribution limits... which were declared UNconstitutional last week by a federal judge. The landmark ruling dramatically changes fund-raising rules and immediately bolsters cash- strapped campaigns.

An original autograph manuscript for two of composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's greatest works will be auctioned off to benefit a Philadelphia seminary. The manuscript of ''Fantasy in C Minor'' and ''Sonata in C Minor'' was found in a safe this summer. It had lost since the early part of this century.

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#90277u0756 10/04/1990 ~United Press International
TAIPEI, Taiwan (OCT. 4) UPI - Taiwan Thursday said China was slow in relaying information about Taiwanese victims of a crash involving three planes at Canton Airport that killed 127 people and condemned compensation payments as too low.

Taiwan's Tourism Bureau complained about China's slow release of information regarding the fates of people aboard the airliners, which included 42 Taiwan residents. At least 30 of those killed were from Taiwan.

While Taiwan families clamored for information Monday, the Civil Aviation Administration of China withheld information for more than 24 hours, Taiwanese officials said.

Authorities in southern Canton, also known as Guangzhou, have said 127 people died in the fiery crash of a hijacked jetliner at the city airport Tuesday.

A Chinese Boeing 737 was commandeered on a domestic flight over south China by two hijackers reportedly demanding to fly to Hong Kong. It came down at Canton's Bai Yun airport but slammed into an empty plane and another loaded with passengers in a fireball.

There was still no confirmation of airport reports the hijackers panicked when they realized they were landing in China and set off an explosion before the crash, or of a survivor's account that they struggled with the cockpit crew prior to impact.

Officials in Taiwan also complained after leaning families of Taiwanese victims would receive less compensation than families of foreigners.

Yuan Mu, China's State Council spokesman told reporters Wednesday in Beijing that, ''We will never treat Taiwan compatriots as foreigners.''

But Taiwan's chief spokesman Shaw Yu Ming, said, ''Our people are certainly not citizens of the People's Republic of China.'' He said the money Chinese officials planned to pay their citizens as ''too low by any society's standards,'' but the amount to be paid Taiwanese was not immediately available.

Shaw's reference to China's official name was extremely unusual for a Taiwan official, as use of the name has been seen as de-facto recognition of a regime which the Taipei government maintains has no legitimacy.

Though there is currently no official contact between the two governments claiming to represent China, Shaw called for intermediary agencies on both sides to resolve various problems.

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#90277u0757 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (OCT. 4) UPI - Gov. Michael S. Dukakis urged Congress to reject the deficit reduction package agreed upon by President Bush and Democratic congressional leaders, saying it imposed an unacceptable burden on the elderly and average taxpayers.

The proposal ironed out during the weekend would shave $500 billion from the federal deficit during the next five years by raising a variety of consumption taxes and Social Security taxes and by cutting defense and social service programs, including Medicare.

''The package which has been agreed upon ... fundamentally continues the policies of the past 10 years. They continue to excuse the rich in this country from paying their fair share, outrageously,'' Dukakis said Wednesday.

''And this agreement does virtually nothing that recognizes the Cold War is over. It continues to expend $50 billion in defense of western Europe when nobody can tell us who the enemy is,'' he said.

A Dukakis administration analysis said the package would cost state government $77.5 million and local government $100 million, while increasing the tax burden on those earning between $20,000 and $50,000 a year by about 3 percent.

At the same time, the analysis said, the tax burden on those earning $100,000 a year would rise by about 1.5 percent and the burden on those earning more than $200,000 would increase three-tenths of 1 percent.

''Make no mistake about it, this is a tax increase on the elderly and the middle class,'' said Dukakis. ''How can you possibly justify this kind of a plan?''

Medicare premiums for the elderly would rise from the present $28.80 to $54.30 in 1995, with the state Medicaid program legally required to pick up the cost, said the report. At the same time, deductibles would rise from $75 to $150.

''They add millions and millions of dollars to the burdens of state and local governments who've been asked over the past 10 years to absorb billions and billions in federal cuts,'' said Dukakis.

Dukakis said the plan would cost the state $6.5 million in Medicaid cuts, $50 million in extension of Medicare and Social Security taxes to state government and $21 million in extension of the taxes in parttime and temporary workers.

The extension of Social Security taxes to local governments will cost $100 million, he said.

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#90277u0767 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

DURBAN, South Africa (OCT. 4) UPI - President Frederik de Klerk said Thursday he was disappointed black leaders Nelson Mandela and Mangosuthu Buthelezi would not meet to discuss factional violence which has killed as many as 800 of their followers.

During a day-trip to strife-torn Natal province, cradle of the conflict between Mandela's multi-tribal African National Congress and Buthelezi's exclusively Zulu Inkatha movement, de Klerk said he believed the two leaders should hold direct talks.

Speaking in the town of Imbali amid one of the hardest-hit areas in the Indian Ocean province, de Klerk said, ''I am disappointed. I also think it is necessary that the two leaders, as political leaders, should meet.''

The president said the violence was preventing economic growth in the region.

''There is a tremendous responsibility on all leaders and on the youth of South Africa... to bring an end to the violence and conflict which has undermined the stability and opportunities of all South Africans,'' he said.

Mandela had invited Buthelezi to attend an ANC-hosted meeting of leaders of South Africa's six nominally self-governing tribal territories Friday to discuss the apartheid-created areas' future in a non-racial South Africa.

But the Zulu chief, who heads the Natal-based KwaZulu territory, rejected the invitation on the grounds he had not been invited only in his role as KwaZulu leader and not head of the national Inkatha movement. Buthelezi said this would preclude meaningful talks on the violence.

Buthelezi had called repeatedly for a meeting on the violence, but said Thursday after returning from a trip abroad that talks between himself and Mandela were ''clearly not going to happen soon.''

The ANC has blamed Inkatha for fomenting the strife which racked the townships around Johannesburg for more than six weeks until being quelled in mid-September by tough, military-style measures.

ANC officials charged that Buthelezi was exporting the conflict to the Transvaal from Natal, where it has killed as many as 4,000 people since 1987, to undercut the more popular ANC ahead of formal power- sharing talks with the government. Buthelezi denied the allegation.

A state of emergency in the province, nearly into its 53rd month, has largely failed to quash the internecine battles.

But de Klerk did praise a community which has organized its own peace.

Before stopping at Imbali, he visited the town of Shongweni, northwest of Durban, and lauded the 55,000-strong community for abiding by a police-brokered peace pact between Inkatha and ANC supporters in force since last year.

''You are an example to the rest of Natal, to the rest of the country, that local leaders can find a way to make peace,'' he told community representatives.

De Klerk began his Natal trip by visiting Durban and the city's main hospital, the King Edward VIII, which has borne the brunt of the conflict's casualties and witnessed severe overcrowding in the wards.

Accompanied by his wife, Marike, Health Minister Rina Venter and officials, de

Klerk saw a ward in which 33 of the 103 patients were lying on the floor for lack of beds.

De Klerk and Venter last month visited the nation's largest black township of Soweto, south of Johannesburg, and said he also wanted to see personally the situation in Natal.

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#90277u0768 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., reportedly is prepared to promote an airline passenger fee to help fund a third major airport in the Chicago area, a published report said Thursday.

The Chicago congressman, who chairs the powerful House Ways and Means Committee, has told his staff to develop a plan to route the fee through his tax-writing panel if Sen. Wendell H. Ford, D-Ky., fails to get the measure through the Senate, the Chicago Sun-Times reported.

The newspaper quoted sources as saying the airline passenger fee proposal is to be attached to budget legislation needed to avert massive government layoffs and widespread program cuts.

Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley has been lobbying heavily for the fee, which could be applied to passengers at O'Hare International and Midway airports, as a means of funding his proposed Lake Calumet airport, one of five sites under consideration by a joint Illinois-Indiana committee.

The proposed fee also is backed by U.S. Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner; Daley's brother, William, who has been named to the bi- state commission evaluating airport sites, and Rep. William O. Lipinski, D-Ill., a Daley ally who steered the fee successfully through the House during the summer.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $397.20 silver base of $4.72 and platinum price of $444.00:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$413.50	404.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	212.10	207.70
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	108.90	106.70
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	44.00
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	413.50	404.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	212.10	207.70

Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	109.40	107.20
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	45.00	44.00
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	420.20	411.40
China Panda .50 troy oz.	216.40	212.00
China Panda .25 troy oz.	112.30	109.90
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	48.50	47.50
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	29.00	28.40
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	415.50	405.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	211.40	207.00
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	106.70	104.50
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	45.90	45.00
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	411.50	403.50
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	212.90	207.40
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	109.20	107.20
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	46.40	45.50
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	411.80	403.40
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	211.70	207.40
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	89.70	87.90
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	47.00	46.00
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.80	23.40
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.12	$6.09
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,410	$3,380
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,475	$1,475
Platinum		
Australian Koala	465.00	463.00
Isle of Man Noble	454.00	452.00
Canada Maple Leaf	465.00	463.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90277u0777 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

WEST PALM BEACH, FL (OCT. 4) UPI - Thirteen people were injured, two seriously, when an Eastern Airlines jet hit violent turbulence on a flight from Washington to West Palm Beach, airline officials said Thursday.

Flight 791 was at 31,000 feet when the DC-9 ran into turbulence about 130 miles north of West Palm Beach Wednesday night, Eastern spokeswoman Karen Ceremsak said.

Passenger Betty Miller of Miramar, Fla., said, ''It was like a whiplash on the end of something. It felt like we bought the farm.''

Another passenger, Alison Levins, 33, of Boston, said the turbulence lasted about 30 seconds.

''There was a boom and a big bang and a little smoke. The heat started coming on. The lights went out. The engine banged and the engine stopped turning. We dropped hundreds of feet,'' she said.

Ceremsak could not confirm the drop in altitude.

The plane, which carried 91 passengers and a crew of six, landed safely at the West Palm Beach airport at 8:33 p.m. EDT and the injured passengers were taken to hospitals.

Initial reports said six passengers were injured, but the total actually was 13, Ceremsak said.

''There were 13 who requested assistance. Eleven were taken to hospitals. Some of the injuries were minor - cuts, bruises, scrapes. Of the two more serious, one was a hip injury and the other was related to a heart condition and pacemaker,'' Ceremsak said.

Three passengers remained hospitalized Thursday. None of their injuries were considered life-threatening.

The ''fasten seatbelts'' sign was on when the plane hit the turbulence and had been on for most of the flight, Ceremsak said. However, several passengers were standing in the aisle at the rear of the plane waiting to use a restroom and they accounted for most of the injured.

''There were a few people who were seated who sustained minor injuries,'' but it was unclear whether their seatbelts were fastened, Ceremsak said.

''Our flight attendant crews who were standing at the time were not injured,'' she said. ''The captain described it as moderate turbulence, with two quick bumps. It appeared to be a case of clear-air turbulence. There was no bad weather in the area and no reports of problems from other planes.''

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CAIRO, Egypt (OCT. 4) UPI - Egypt reduced the price of its crude oil by $4 to $35 a barrel effective Thursday to match current developments on the world oil market.

Egyptian crude had been priced at $39 a barrel, its highest level in more than ten years.

Cairo Radio said the decision was announced Wednesday by Hammad Ayoob, vice-chairman of the state-owned Egyptian Petroleum Coorporation.

''This reduction was taken after the sudden decline in the oil prices during the past two days on light of the political statements which gave the impression that the Gulf crisis can be solved peacfully,'' Ayoob was quoted as saying.

U.S. crude had fallen $5.56 a barrel - or 14.1 percent - Monday and Tuesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange, the world's largest oil- trading exchange. The price rebounded $3.37 Wednesday to $37.32 a barrel.

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#90277u0791 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 3: Purchases of 351, 633 shares and sales of 466,555 shares including 23,235 shares sold short.

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#90277u0796 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (OCT. 4) UPI - Dr. Jack Kevorkian, Michigan's ''suicide doctor,'' suggested he might disobey a court order barring him from letting terminally ill patients use his suicide device.

''The law and ethics flatly don't mean a thing to me when a patient is in front of me and needs help,'' Kevorkian said Wednesday night during an appearance before the Detroit chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists.

Kevorkian gained international attention when he aided the June 4 suicide of Janet Adkins, 54, of Portland, Ore., who was suffering from Alzheimer's disease.

The Oakland County Prosecutor's office has obtained a temporary injunction against Kevorkian's use of his ''suicide machine'' after Adkins died in his van after giving herself a heart-stopping injection of drugs.

Oakland County Circuit Judge Alice Gilbert has scheduled a Dec. 4 hearing on whether Kevorkian should be barred from letting other terminally ill patients use his device.

During his appearance at the Detroit Press Club, Kevorkian defended his

actions in the Adkins case as ''absolutely ethical'' and said that his subsequent legal problems were the result of ''Dark Age mentality.''

Reiterating the stance he has maintained since the Adkins suicide, Kevorkian said he was being hounded by an overzealous legal system and a hypocritical medical profession.

''The courts would love to burn me at the stake and the prosecutor is trying to light the fire,'' he said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled 390,000 for the week ending Sept. 15, a decrease of 13, 000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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WINSTON-SALEM, NC (OCT. 4) UPI - A woman faces child abuse charges after her son, who suffers from cerebral palsy, was severely bitten by rats in the family's squalid home, authorities said.

Arlene Addie Tolliver, 33, a mother of seven children, is free on bond pending her Oct. 30 trial.

She is charged with misdemeanor child abuse in the case and also faces two counts of misdemeanor child neglect in incidents involving two younger children.

The boy who was attacked by rats could not run or call out for help because of his disabling illness, authorities said. The arrest warrant in the case said Tolliver allowed garbage to pile up and spoil in her home, attracting the rats that gnawed on the child, described as ''helpless to care for or defend himself.''

The warrant said Tolliver created an unsafe environment ''by permitting unsanitary conditions to exist, food to be exposed and to linger until spoiled and garbage to accumulate, which attracted rats and mice and made the dwelling a haven for rodents, which said rodents did attack and eat on'' the child.

The child abuse charges stemmed from a Sept. 1 emergency call to the home. Ambulance service workers said then they arrived at Tolliver's house they found the boy with several open wounds.

The child was treated at Baptist Hospital until Sept. 17 when he was released into the custody of the Forsyth County Social Services Department.

The other charges against Tolliver stem from allowing her children aged 4 and 2 1/2 to live under unsanitary conditions.

County Health Department records show exterminators had treated Tolliver's home three times in June, July and September for a persistent rat problem. James Bryan, a department supervisor, said workers did not treat the house in August because Tolliver failed to cooperate and clean it up.

''We told the lady she had a bad sanitation problem inside and out and we told her she needed to clean up before we went back to bait. She lived in filth for 30 more days,'' said Bryan. ''She just wouldn't cooperate with us. She rearranged some of the filth but she just wasn't a good housekeeper in my opinion.''

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TOKYO (OCT. 4) UPI - If Iraq withdraws from Kuwait, or even if it is forced to leave its oil-rich neighbor, the price of oil is likely to fall back to $20 a barrel, a leading Japanese economist said Thursday.

If Iraq pulls out of Kuwait, oil prices would first plummet to below the $20 a barrel level, then bob back up to between $20 and $25 a barrel, Tsutomu Toichi chief economist at the Institute of Energy Economics, said at a news conference.

At about $25 a barrel, the price would be high enough to stimulate U.S. production but not so high as to produce a glut followed by another oil price crash such as the one that devastated the Texas economy in the late 1980s, he said.

Prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait triggering the world oil crisis, crude was trading around $20 a barrel and had fallen to below $16 a barrel in late June.

''The key element is U.S. production,'' said Toichi. If war breaks out in the Gulf, oil prices will temporarily shoot past $50 a barrel but stop well short of the $100 figure that some have mentioned, he said.

Crude traded as high as $41 a barrel on world markets last week on fears that only war would settle the Gulf crisis.

Even if Iraqi President Saddam Hussein attacked oil facilities in Saudi Arabia or the Gulf emirates, Iraq's ability to seriously damage them is highly dubious, said Toichi.

Therefore, oil prices could be expected to fall rapidly once hostilities were

over, he said.

Turning to the Japanese economy, Toichi said the Gulf crisis, at least up to now, has been useful in setting Japan back on a course of conservation.

Noting Japan had zealously pursued energy efficiency following the oil crises of the 1970s, the economist said that when oil turned cheap, starting in 1986, the nation relaxed its efforts.

Energy consumption began to rise at 5 percent to 6 percent a year, jeopardizing the government's long-term energy plans, he said.

''If the Gulf crisis does not worsen further, the 'Hussein effect' will be good medicine for us,'' said Toichi.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Firefighters raced to the scene of an apartment building explosion today in France, pulling at least one dead and six injured from the rubble. Ambulance teams set up a field hospital at the foot of the building on the outskirts of Paris. About 100 firefighters are sifting through the debris in search of between 40 and 50 people believed to be living in the building.

Conservative Republicans may have to choose between ideology and political loyalty to a popular president when the House votes on a bi- partisan budget agreement. President Bush is lobbying hard to win passage of the plan in which- quoting Bush- ''the overall good things outweigh the negative.'' A key House vote is expected today... with the Senate expected to vote tomorrow.

Another turning point for Germany. The new all-German Parliament held its first session today in Berlin. Chancellor Helmut Kohl began the meeting pledging that the united Germany will remain part of the western alliance. 144 newcomers from the former East Germany were among the 663 deputies who used the historic Reichstag parliament building for the first time since 1933.

Japan's prime minister met with an Iraqi official today in Amman, Jordan, calling on Baghdad to withdraw from Kuwait. A spokesman says Toshiki Kaifu and the Iraqi deputy prime minister agreed to continue a dialogue on seeking a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Kaifu... whose nation is dependent on Middle East oil... began a tour of the region two days ago.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - A rebel statement released today in Manila says dissidents have established a ''sovereign Federal Republic'' in Mindanao. A letter signed by a renegade colonel was sent to the French Embassy in the Philippine capital

urging diplomatic recognition of the so-called republic in two southern cities. Rebel troops who did NOT fire a shot seized the two cities today.

The National Hurricane Center says Tropical Storm Klaus stalled and strengthened today as it moved toward the northeast Caribbean Sea. The storm's approach prompted storm warnings and flood alerts for the Leeward Islands. Forecasters said Klaus could dump as much as 15 inches of rain, prompting mud slides and flash floods. Klaus was centered about 100 miles east-southeast of Antigua.

Several hundred Bulgarians cheered as a hated symbol was removed today in the capital of Sofia. A helicopter removed a red star from a former Communist Party building. The dismantling climaxed weeks of bitter feuding over the fate of the star and other communist symbols. The Bulgarian Socialst Party... formerly known as the Communist Party... had promised to tear down the star.

A University of California study says unmarried middle-aged Americans have a higher death rate than those living with spouses. The study released by the San Francisco campus came to NO conclusion about why unmarried people die at a higher rate. But it suggests divorce is a key factor in putting people at risk. The study involved 76-hundred-51 people nationwide.

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ALBANY. N.Y. (OCT. 4) UPI - The state Public Service Commission has agreed to consider forcing Nynex to divest itself of its New York Telephone subsidiary and thereby end persistent allegations of unethical business practices.

In expanding its investigation into business practices at Nynex and Nytel, the PSC will be look at more than separating the two firms, it was announced Wednesday.

A key witness in hearings that led up to the decision likened Nynex to bankrupt savings and loans.

''Basically, they're playing with other people's money,'' said Scott Rafferty, who was fired from his position as vice president of Nynex's Telco Research division in 1986.

The PSC voted to accept a staff recommendation to continue its investigation of Nynex's alleged use of its regulated Nytel subsidiary, whose profits come from ratepayers, as a conduit to enrich other non- regulated subsidiaries.

PSC chairman Peter Bradford was quick to caution that a rate freeze in effect for the last six years, as well as internal auditing controls, were designed to block the bilking of consumers.

''The essential purpose of the investigation is to see that past barriers were adequate,'' Bradford said.

The staff report also recommended looking at a range of options, including the divestiture of Nytel from Nynex, or at least, a fully separated subsidiary.

Rafferty testified extensively at PSC hearings on the so-called ''pervert conventions'' where Nynex suppliers attended days-long parties in Florida organized by a Nynex purchasing executive.

The PSC staff report said it was apparent suppliers who went to the parties got lucrative contracts.

Rafferty claims Nynex, created in 1984 when the Bell System was broken up by federal order, took advantage of the fact that one of its subsidiaries had a virtually unlimited cash resource: people paying phone bills.

Rafferty, who wrote his doctoral thesis on the AT&T break-up, does not doubt the outcome of the investigation.

''Nynex corrupted diversification. What they did was get into unprofitable things, like phone centers, then have (the phone company) pay too much for their services,'' he said.

A prime example, according to the PSC investigation, was the creation of the Material Enterprises subsidiary which effectively suspended the duties of New York Telephone's own purchasing arms, which are regulated by the PSC.

PSC General Counsel William Cowan said Nytel, and thus its ratepayers, could have been gouged for equipment that could have been purchased cheaper elsewhere.

''The manner in which this corporation has handled itself since divestiture in 1984 raises serious and troubling questions about its management agenda,'' Cowan said.

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SMRZOVKA, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (OCT. 4) UPI - Germans are celebrating the rebirth of their nation this week, but in the mountains of northern Czechoslovakia the German-speaking Sudetenland - one of Hitler's first conquests - is dying.

The Sudetenland, the border country settled by German artisans in the 14th century, was home to more than 3.5 million Germans at the end of World War II.

Now, according to the 1985 census, only 62,000 people in the region claim

German identity, 52 years after British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain ceded it to Adolf Hitler in exchange for ''peace in our time.''

Only 300 Germans live in Smrzovka, a hillside village of 4,700. Before the war 11,000 people lived in the town, more than 90 percent of them German, residents say.

''We are becoming extinct,'' says 73-year-old Waltraud Pospischil. ''We used to have 56 cultural groups here, choirs and bands. The young people have no opportunities, so they leave.''

Pospischil's husband, Roman, taught German to a dwindling number of children until the mid-1970s, but now there are no children left to teach. The area's only German-speaking church draws just a score of worshipers to Sunday services.

''Most of us are over 70,'' Roman Pospischil says.

The reunification of Germany has offered little solace for the vanishing Sudeten Germans.

''We feel left out,'' says Brigitta Kratzert, leader of the ethnic German community in Jablonec, a county seat of some 87,000.

''Tuesday in his speech, West German President Richard von Weizsacker said now the nation is together again. But the truth is the nation is not together. We are not there and we are part of the nation,'' says Kratzert.

Germans came to the Sudetenland when Charles IV, King of Bohemia and holy Roman emperor, sent for German glassblowers and artisans to settle in the region's rough birchwood hills.

Czechs and Germans lived in relative harmony until the 1930s brought the birth of the Henlein movement, a local version of the Nazi Blackshirts, and then Hitler's 1938 annexation of the Sudetenland.

Jablonec was 80 percent German before the war. Now there are only 2, 700 ethnic Germans among its 87,000 people. The town's renown for making glass and jewelery earned it the nickname ''the Paris of Bohemia.''

Jablonec has traditionally been a holiday destination for East Germans, and Mayor Jaroslav Cermak hopes that with reunification, East Germans will continue to visit and begin to invest in local industries.

But so far he has had little luck expanding his contacts with the Germans. A delegation to Kaeufbeuren, a town in western Germany built by the Sudeten Germans who were expelled from Jablonec, learned that the old resentment was still alive.

''The younger generation were very nice and friendly, but my deputy also met those who were repatriated. To put it mildly, they were not very nice,'' said Cermak.

Cermak shows a visitor a postcard, sent to him from Kaeufbueren. ''Hitler will come soon,'' it says in German. ''I preferred the Czechs when they were humble ass-kissers.''

Having welcomed Hitler and his annexation, the Sudeten German community began to fall with the defeat of Hitler's armies in 1945.

After the war, the Czechs, under Soviet occupation, took revenge on the Sudeten Germans. Germans were deported to work camps in the center of the country. They were forced to wear white arm bands and were given shorter rations than Czechs.

German property was expropriated; bank accounts were seized; 3 million Sudeten Germans were expelled to Germany. In camps after the war, 13,000 Germans died.

The Communists systematically destroyed the remnants of the Sudeten German community. German schools were effectively banned, and the urbanization of western Bohemia in the late 1960s dealt the final blow to German culture.

''The villages were uprooted as everyone left for apartments with flush toilets,'' says Kratzert, ''and all the typical houses were knocked down.''

The older generation remembers the expulsion.

''To get our ration coupons, we had to go regularly to see movies of the concentration camps. We lived by the rail station and we could see everyone as they left. We never knew when it would be our turn,'' said Kratzert.

''I was in a camp in Jablonec,'' said Mrs. Pospischil. ''One day I was brought to Smrzovka under police escort, and a peasant paid the state 15,000 crowns to get me as a laborer. I was treated like a slave.''

''We lived quite literally on bread and water. Sundays we got four potatoes and a little fat, but no soup. There wasn't even milk for the babies,'' she said.

But Mrs. Pospischil says she does not feel bitter toward the Czechs. ''My grandmother was Czech and could not speak German, so I can't hate all the Czechs.''

One elderly Sudeten German woman described the degradation she suffered at the hands of the Czechs. Her family, she said, were anti- fascists, and were stripped of their property by the Nazis. Now she says she feels neither Czech

nor German, but a citizen of a disappearing nation.

''You know,'' she said, without a trace of irony, ''the remaining Sudeten Germans are the Jews of Czechoslovakia.''

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CHICAGO (OCT. 4) UPI - Soybeans and soybean meal were the price leaders again Thursday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Steady commission house buying in beans and meal was based on rumors the Soviet Union may have bought more meal. The Agriculture Department Wednesday announced the sale of 150,000 tons of soymeal to the Soviets.

Both corn and soybeans had underlying support from weather-related harvest delays. Widespread rain across the Midwest put a temporary halt to harvest activity, and in some areas the rain was heavy enough to keep farmers out of the field for a couple of days.

The continued weakness in soybean oil futures kept a lid on soybean prices.

Grain futures were narrowly mixed. The markets were pressured by the lack of export business, although follow-through buying kept a floor under prices.

An increase in the Canadian wheat production estimate also weighed on wheat values.

Country movement was light and basis levels were mixed.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.30 1/2 up 1 1/2; Mar 2.39 3/4 up 1 1/4; May 2.45 1/2 up 1 1/2.

Soybeans Nov 6.22 1/2 lup 2 1/2; Jan 6.36 1/2 up 2; Mar 6.49 up 1 3/4; May 6.59 up 2 3/4.

Wheat Dec 2.74 1/2 up 1/4; Mar 2.88 3/4 up 1/2; May 2.95 1/2 unch.

Oats Dec 1.24 up 1/4; Mar 1.34 off 1/4; May 1.41 off 1/2.

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ROME (OCT. 4) UPI - Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis said Thursday Italy's two remaining diplomats in Kuwait will be forced to leave their embassy ''within the next few hours or days'' because they have run out of food and water and Iraqi troops have the building sealed off.

He said Ambassador Marco Colombo and First Secretary Massimo Rustico would try to move to the embassy residence, which still has food and water, and if that fails would try to find an office in another embassy of the European Community.

''But both these possibilities are improbable,'' the foreign minister said. ''In any event they will have to leave the embassy.''

De Michelis explained the situation to a meeting of the Senate's foreign affairs committee.

Italy and other Western countries have defied orders by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, issued shortly after his Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, to close their embassies.

But De Michelis said the Kuwait embassy ''is now completely surrounded by Iraqi troops.''

''It is subjected to conditions of very serious discomfort because of the shutting off of food supplies and the fact that reserves of food and water are exhausted,'' the foreign minister told the senators.

He said when the diplomats leave the embassy ''will remain open in theory,'' but Italy will rely on its embassy in Baghdad to keep contact with developments in the Iraq situation.

De Michelis said the government was following the situation of Italian hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait with ''great attention'' but there were no signs of change in the line being followed by the Iraqi authorities.

He said all the Italian civilians there were in contact with Italian diplomats but their psychological condition is ''certainly difficult.''

''Honestly, I am not in a position to indicate a way out of this problem,'' he told the committee.

De Michelis said it is necessary that Iraq not think the hostages are a decisive element of pressure.

''To the extent that it is made clear that this problem will not influence the position of the Western countries, the hostages have a chance of being released, which is not true in the opposite case,'' he said.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Rebellious soldiers in the Philippines seized two southern cities today without firing a shot, and President Corazon Aquino said she

would crush the rebels ''in due time.'' The mutinous soldiers are led by renegade army Colonel Alexander Noble, the former deputy chief of Aquino's guards. A rebel statement released in Manila proclaimed formation of the Federal Republic of Mindanao.

The new all-German Parliament held its first session in the Reichstag , the building used for the first time since 1933, when Adolf Hitler banned all political parties but his Nazis. Chancellor Helmut Kohl told the legislators that the newly reunited Germany will remain part of the Western alliance. The 663 deputies seated for the largely ceremonial session included 144 newcomers from the former East Germany.

French firefighters are going through rubble left by an explosion that ripped an apartment building on the outskirts of Paris at dawn today, collapsing the top three floors. Firefighters say one person is confirmed killed in the blast which is believed to have buried between 40 and 50 people in rubble from the top three floors. Firemen who raced to the scene reported pulled six injured people from the wreckage, three of them in serious condition.

The House today is to take its first critical vote on the bi-partisan deficit-reduction plan that would cut 500-BILLION dollars from the federal deficit in the next five years. Head-counters on both sides of the isle say the outcome of the vote is still in doubt. The Senate appears likely to approve the proposal, but opposition has been more vocal in the House.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 4) UPI - Unhappy Indianapolis Colts running back Eric Dickerson Thursday lost his appeal to NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue of a Colts order placing him on a reserve list.

The Colts on Aug. 29 placed Dickerson on the club's reserve-non- football injury list because of a hamstring problem not associated with football. Anybody placed on the list must remain there for six weeks.

Dickerson appealed and was given a hearing Sept. 17 by Tagliabue.

The commissioner, in announcing his decision, issued only a brief statement and did not go into details of his reasoning.

Colts' General Manager Jim Irsay scheduled an afternoon news conference to discuss the decision.

Team spokesman Craig Kelley said Dickerson has not contacted the team. The earliest he could return is Oct. 17.

It's estimated Dickerson is losing about $600,000 in salary because of his

status.

Dickerson, hobbled much of last season with a hamstring injury, was diagnosed as having a similar injury in his other leg when he took an Aug. 6 examination.

He undertook rehabilitation on his own but subsequently refused to report for additional physical examinations. That led to a four-week suspension for conduct detrimental to the club. The suspension ran concurrently with the longer six-week injured list.

The perennial all-pro performer became discontent with the Colts during the preceding season and at one point was ordered by Coach Ron Meyer to stop criticizing other players.

During the off-season Dickerson at various times threatened to retire and asked to be traded.

A trade apparently is out of the question this season. The trading deadline is Oct. 16, one day before he could be activated and become eligible for a trade under NFL rules.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Investigators working on the deaths of five University of Florida students in Gainesville have scratched one suspect from their lists, if published reports are correct. Unnamed police sources are quoted as saying that Stephen Bates, a 30-year-old cook, is NO longer a key suspect following a search of his home and and a check of blood samples.

A routine Eastern Airlines flight from Washington, D-C, to West Palm Beach, Florida, ran into air turbulence last night at 31-thousand feet and six people were injured... two seriously. The seat-belt sign was on at the time but some passengers in the aisle at the rear of the plane were injured in the incident.

A refugee camp in southern Lebanon was the scene of clashes by rival Palestinian forces today. At least three gunmen were reported wounded in the clash near the port city of Tyre.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.40-2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 131.63-135.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 45.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $459.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 300.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - A key House subcommittee chairman shelved for the remainder of the year his bill to create a 6.3-million-acre reserve of ancient forests in the Pacific Northwest.

The bill, which also contained an economic assistance package to cushion timber-related job losses in the region, has been stalled in the House Interior Committee since the subcommittee on parks and public lands approved it Sept. 13 on a vote of 18-13.

Sponsored by Rep. Bruce Vento, D-Minn., chairman of the subcommittee, it is the only one of several pieces of legislation addressing the Northwest timber

crisis to have cleared any congressional panel this year.

The bill's demise Wednesday appeared to rule out action on any such bill for the remainder of the session. Most of those measures likely would require the concurrence of Vento's subcommittee to move forward.

''No bills are going anywhere this Congress. They're dead,'' said a House staff member familiar with national forest policy issues on Capitol Hill.

Vento's measure was strongly opposed by the timber industry and had drawn little support from lawmakers representing Oregon and Washington, the two states most affected.

Vento said he asked Interior Committee Chairman Morris Udall, D- Ariz., to ''postpone action on (the bill) for the rest of this Congress'' after concluding ''the spirit of compromise does not exist.''

''We've run out of time this year,'' Vento told reporters. Congress is expected to adjourn for the year on Oct. 19.

Vento has characterized his bill as a balanced, ''long-term solution'' to the conflict in the Northwest between the timber industry and environmentalists over the fate of the northern spotted owl and the ancient forests where the bird dwells.

The bill was introduced in July, less than a month after the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service declared the owl a threatened species. The agency concluded that logging of the owl's habitat, most of it in older forests managed by the federal government, was driving the bird to the brink of extinction.

At the same time, logging restrictions to protect the spotted owl are expected to cost thousands of jobs in the Northwest, creating enormous hardship for rural communities whose entire economies are tied to the forests.

Anticipating the bird's listing, Congress last year adopted a one- year compromise to protect some of bird's habitat while limiting environmental legal challenges that had blocked much of the federal timber sale program.

The compromise was aimed at giving policymakers in Washington another year to devise a more comprehensive approach to the problem, but no such strategy has materialized.

''The conservationists and the timber industry appear to be more interested in confrontation than in a resolution,'' Vento said.

He also called the administration strategy for dealing with the problem - a one-year plan outlined in an ambiguously worded three-page press release issued Oct. 21 - ''a pretty miserable failure.''

Without decisive action by either the administration or Congress, Vento said, the debate probably will return to the federal courts.

The courts have struck down as unconstitutional the restraints on judicial review adopted by Congress in its timber compromise last year, and Vento said no new limits on lawsuits are expected this year.

Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., however, said he is planning a last-ditch effort to change the Endangered Species Act to accelerate the process under which logging restrictions aimed at protecting the spotted owl could be appealed.

Current law allows a special Cabinet-level committee to override the judgment of the Fish and Wildlife Service and, for economic reasons, approve timber sales that otherwise would be banned for the owl's sake.

Packwood's measure would convene the so-called God Committee immediately and broaden the scope of its review to allow the panel to weigh the government's overall forest management plan for the Northwest, rather than considering timber sales one or two at a time.

Packwood said he would seek to attach his measure to another piece of legislation that must pass the Congress before it adjourns, such as a bill to extend the government's debt limit.

However, several key members of the House and Senate said they would adamantly oppose any change to the Endangered Species Act, leaving in doubt whether Packwood's effort would ultimately prevail.

Vento's bill would have established a panel of scientists to recommend an ancient forest reserve system of 6.3 million acres of federal land that would be put off limits to logging.

This is the same amount of land that would be set aside under an owl conservation plan recommended in April by a panel of government scientists led by U.S. Forest Service biologist Jack Ward Thomas. About 2.7 million acres of the total are now available for timber harvests.

The bill also would set a minimum harvest level of 2.6 billion board feet a year for national forests in Oregon and Washington, far below the 3.85 billion-board-foot level mandated by Congress last year.

The legislation also offered a package of assistance including retraining programs, initiatives to create jobs in other industries and increases in the share of federal receipts shared with the states and counties from commercial use of public lands in the region.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Oct. 4:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	54	12
Amsterdam c	1pm	57	14
Ankara pc	3pm	67	19
Athens c	2pm	80	26
Auckland r	12m	57	14
Beijing c	8pm	65	18
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	55	13
Bonn c	1pm	56	14
Brussels pc	1pm	61	16
Cairo c	2pm	-	-
Casablanca cy	12n	72	22
Copenhagen r	1pm	50	10
Dakar pc	12n	85	29
Dublin pc	1pm	56	14
Geneva r	1pm	55	13
Helsinki cy	2pm	45	07
Hong Kong cy	8pm	80	27
Jerusalem c	2pm	81	27
Karachi c	5pm	88	31
Lisbon pc	1pm	68	20
London pc	1pm	60	15
Madrid c	1pm	72	22
Malta pc	1pm	82	28
Manila c	8pm	84	29
Moscow c	3pm	41	05
Nairobi pc	3pm	77	25
Nassau pc	7am	81	27
New Delhi	6pm	-	-
Nice r	1pm	64	18
Oslo cy	1pm	54	12
Paris pc	1pm	60	16
Pretoria pc	2pm	84	29
Riyadh	3pm	101	38
Rome pc	1pm	76	25
Seoul c	9pm	64	18
Sofia c	2pm	63	17
Stockholm cy	1pm	58	14
Sydney c	10pm	64	18
Taipei r	8pm	75	24
Tokyo cy	9pm	76	25

Tunis pc	1pm	82	28
Vienna cy	1pm	59	15
Warsaw c	1pm	65	18

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	65	18
Caracas pc	8am	72	22
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	60	16
Mexico City hz	6am	57	14
Rio de Janeiro pc	9am	74	24
Santiago cy	8am	50	10

Canada

Calgary pc		50	10
Edmonton cy		49	09
Montreal pc		61	16
Ottawa r		66	18
Regina c		54	12
Toronto r		68	19
Vancouver r		60	15
Winnipeg cy		58	14

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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OMAHA (OCT. 4) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 100, slaughter 100, not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs slaughter 1,300; butchers 1.00-1.50 higher, No 1-3 210-270 lb 59.50-60.00; sows 20 percent, 1.00-2.00 higher, No 1-3 350-500 lb 49.50-49.75, few 50.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 52.00- 52.50.

Sheep none.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door unchanged.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 66-69.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - Among the early American victims of the Persian Gulf crisis may be city dwellers who suffer cuts in basic services because of the sharply rising cost of gasoline, the U.S. Conference of Mayors said Thursday.

A ''snapshot'' survey of 50 cities found the overall cost of fuel needed to run police cars, fire trucks, ambulances, sanitation equipment and public transportation jumped 30.6 percent during August and in some cities - Cleveland, Milwaukee, Wis., Tulsa, Okla., and Atlanta - the rise was well over 50 percent.

Cleveland, for example, reported an 81.7 percent increase in gasoline costs in August. Milwaukee reported a 62 percent rise, Tulsa had a 57 percent jump and Atlanta's was 50.7 percent.

According to the survey, all but one of the 50 cities said they experienced a ''substantial'' increase in the cost of fuels they purchased in the month of August. The only exception was Austin, Texas, where officials said they expected the increase to hit in September.

And for most, ''this added burden on local budgets will likely translate into cuts in public services in the year ahead,'' said Thomas Cochran, executive director of the conference.

The survey found three out of four mayors saying they believe the money to pay for the cost increases would come by cutting other areas of the budget. Officials from six cities said they would both cut services and increase local revenues - meaning higher taxes or fees.

In addition to the gasoline increase, cities also reported higher costs for diesel fuel and heating oil, although many cities rely on natural gas for heating public buildings.

All of the survey cities reported plans to conserve fuel in both vehicles and

buidlings have been discussed or drafted and in some instances already implemented.

In Charlotte, N.C., for example, police have expanded their ''park and walk'' program to cut automobile use and have modified refueling schedules to reduce engine idling time.

Jacksonville, Fla., said it is reducing driving time and vehicle use by city employees. The same is true for Cleveland. Birmingham, Ala., reported it is keeping fuel reserves in larger volume and taking non- essential vehicles out of operation.

In addition, 21 of the survey cities - 42 percent - reported increased costs for other petroleum-based products, such as asphalt for street repairs.

Glendale, Ariz., for example said the higher costs of paving materials has reduced its preventive maintenance program and Los Angeles said it was putting off a number of street repair projects because of the higher costs.

Most of the mayors said that it was too soon to tell whether the increases in cost of gasoline was bossting use of public transportation. Just three cities - Chicago, Fort Worth, Texas, and Long Beach, Calif. - said they had noted an increase in bus and train riders.

''We know, of course, that all mayors will be grappling with the problem of higher energy costs in the wake of the current crisis,'' Cochran said, ''and that all citizens of urban America, in one way or another, will be sharing costs of Operation Desert Shield.''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - Here are the 50 cities surveyed by the U.S. Conference of Mayors on the impact of the Persian Gulf crisis on city budgets and the percentage increase of the cost of gasoline and diesel fuel reported by each city:

Atlanta, gasoline 50.7 percent; diesel 42.8 percent

Aurora, Colo., 30 percent; 60 percent

Austin, Texas, 0.0 percent; 0.0 percent

Baltimore, 9.3 percent; 14.2 percent

Baytown, Texas, 27 percent; 37 percent

Birmingham, Ala., 29.6 percent; (not reported)

Boston, 28 percent; 51 percent

Charleston, S.C., 24 percent; 32 percent

Charlotte, N.C, 38 percent; 55 percent

Chicago, 0.0 percent; 30 percent

Cleveland, 81.7 percent; 55.6 percent

Colorado Springs, Colo., 22 percent; 35 percent

Dallas, 37 percent; 42 percent

Dayton, Ohio, 32 percent; 36 percent

DeKalb, Ill., 22 percent; (not reported)

El Paso, Texas, 11 percent; 22 percent

Elkhart, Ind., 38 percent; 39 percent

Everett, Mass., 10 percent; 30 percent

Fort Worth, Texas, 11 percent; 23 percent

Glendale, Ariz., 8 percent; 15 percent

Jacksonsville, Fla., 18 percent; 34 percent

Kansas City, Mo., 35 percent; 43 percent

Long Beach, Calif., 26.3 percent; 45.4 percent

Los Angeles, 27 percent; 57 percent

Melbourne, Fla., 30 percent; 23 percent

Memphis, Tenn., 35.2 percent; 51.8 percent

Mesa, Ariz., 14 percent; 16 percent

Miami, 36 percent; 56 percent

Milwaukee, Wis., 62 percent; 75 percent

Minneapolis, Minn., 20 percent; 15 percent)

Nashville, Tenn., 29 percent; (not reported)

Newton, Mass., 20 percent; 20 percent

Oak Park, Mich., 8 percent; 9 percent

Oklahoma City, 45 percent; 40 percent

Omaha, Neb., 30 percent; 36 percent

Orlando, Fla., 22.8 percent; 22.7 percent

Oxnard, Calif., 30.4 percent; 6 percent

Pawtucket, R.I., 5 percent; 5 percent

Phoenix, Ariz., 45.4 percent; 61.1 percent

Pittsburgh, 19.9 percent; 45.9 percent

St. Louis, (10 percent overall fuel cost increase)

San Diego, Calif., 30 percent, 66 percent

San Francisco, 48 percent; 48 percent

San Leandro, Calif., 0.o percent; 30 percent

Sandy City, Utah, 25.4 percent; 43.1 percent

Savannah, Ga., 20 percent; 20 percent

Toa Alta, Puerto Rico, 10 percent; 12 percent

Tulsa, Okla., 57 percent; 76 percent

Washington, 17.3 percent; 25.3 percent

York, Pa., 17 percent; 17.2 percent

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MIAMI (OCT. 4) UPI - Tropical Storm Klaus strengthened as it approached the northeast Caribbean Sea Thursday, prompting flash flood warnings and mudslide alerts in the Leeward Islands.

''It's showing some signs of getting better organized. We think it could strengthen a little more and become a hurricane,'' said Richard Pasch, a forecaster at the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

In the northeast Caribbean, hurricane warnings were raised for islands from St. Martin eastward, including the British Virgin Islands, Nevis, Barbuda, Montserrat, Antigua and surrounding islands.

Tropical storm warnings were raised for Guadeloupe and the neighboring French islands.

Forecasters said the greatest danger, except to boaters, would came from flash flooding. They predicted Klaus would dump 10 to 15 inches of rain on the Leeward Islands as it skirted past.

''It would be a minimal hurricane. It's mainly a problem to the marine community, to make sure the boats are in safe harbor. But there is the problem of flash flooding. These islands are hilly, so that causes the problem with mudslides,'' Pasch said.

At noon EDT Thursday, Klaus was centered near latitude 16.6 north, longitude 60.5 west, or about 95 miles east-southeast of Antigua.

After remaining nearly stationary overnight, it was drifting toward the northwest near 2 mph and was expected to pick up forward speed by Friday.

Maximum sustained winds were near 60 mph, up from 55 mph Wednesday night, and forecasters said additional strengthening was likely during the next 24 hours. If its circulating winds reach 74 mph, it would become Hurricane Klaus.

Tropical storm-force winds extended up to 115 miles east of the center and 55 miles west of the center.

''We don't think it's going to move into the Caribbean. We have it moving northwest, probably curving maybe up north of Puerto Rico,'' Pasch said. ''The track is probably to skirt those islands and move northward within three days, but that is tentative and subject to change.''

Probability charts from the hurricane center said there was a 10 percent to 14 percent chance the storm's eye would pass within 65 miles of St. Croix and St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands and San Juan and Ponce, Puerto Rico, by 8 a.m. Sunday.

Klaus is the 11th named storm of the 1990 Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30. It sprang from a tropical depression that rapidly strengthened Wednesday.

The 10th named storm, Tropical Storm Josephine, strengthened as it meandered

through the north Atlantic toward the Azores Thursday.

Josephine formed off the African coast Sept. 16 and has waxed and waned as it followed an erratic northward course through the Atlantic. It regained its tropical storm status when it crossed the 39 mph threshold Wednesday.

At noon EDT, Josephine was centered near latitude 29.5 north, longitude 42.7 west, or about 1,100 miles southwest of Terceira in the Azores.

Josephine was moving north at near 6 mph and was expected to continue that motion for the next 24 hours. Its maximum sustained winds were near 65 mph Thursday and forecasters said additional strengthening was possible.

Josephine was considered a threat only to marine interests.

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PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 4) UPI - Police vow they'll be ready for any violent confrontations between neo-Nazis and their adversaries or any attempt to disrupt next week's trial of white supremacist Tom Metzger.

Metzger, 52, and his son, John, 22, are defendants in a $10 million lawsuit filed by the Southern Poverty Law Center and the Anti-Defamation League on behalf of the family of Mulugeta Seraw, an Ethiopian national beaten to death with a baseball bat by three skinhead gang members outside his Portland apartment.

Two of the skinheads convicted of killing Seraw on Nov. 13, 1988, also are named in the wrongful death suit, which claims the Metzgers were negligent in sending agents to Portland to recruit skinhead members.

The aim of the lawsuit is to seize Metzger's Fallbrook, Calif., house and business and end his more than 15 years of youth recruiting through groups such as the Ku Klux Klan and his own White Aryan Resistance.

Police Det. David Simpson said there will be a ''very visible'' police presence around the Multnomah County Courthouse as the civil suit goes to trial before Circuit Judge Ancer Haggerty. Because of the limited spectator space, plans are in the works to televise the trial live on area cable systems he said.

Organizers of a week of activities condemning hate violence said they hope Portland instead will become a showcase of peace and harmony during the closely watched trial.

But police are especially concerned about a march through southeast Portland Sunday that passes the slaying scene and ends in the city's South Park Blocks.

It is expected to draw thousands of people, and officers said they are worried that racist skinheads who support Metzger might try to interrupt it.

''Our worst fear is that things will turn violent,'' said Capt. Wayne Inman, who will oversee police security efforts.

One problem for police is conflicting reports about the number of skinheads and their adversaries who might be coming to Portland or live in the area.

Anti-racist skinheads have told police that 200 to 300 neo-Nazi skinheads are coming for the trial that begins Monday, including a large contingent gathering in Seattle.

Inman said a letter claiming credit for a Sept. 20 bombing of the federal courthouse in San Diego from a group calling itself the Holy Church of the White Fighting Machine of the Cross ''warns all concerned to drop the lawsuit in Portland, Ore.''

Metzger apparently has given conflicting instructions to the white supremacist movement. He told The Oregonian newspaper there is ''no organized plan'' to bring supporters to Portland.

But a taped message on a telephone hotline encourages area supremacists to find lodging for other neo-Nazis, concluding with the message: ''I'll see you in Portland on the 8th. White Aryan victory!''

Portland's City Council approved a resolution Wednesday making next week ''Dignity and Diversity Week.'' The week will feature events organized by citizen groups and the Metropolitan Human Relations Commission.

''This event is going to be safe, it's going to be peaceful,'' said Scott Nakagawa of the Oct. 7th Committee, which is planning the march.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - The Bush administration, recently attacked for failing to ensure that enough anti-drug money reaches the street level, Thursday awarded $42 million to 95 communities to help prevent drug abuse.

Drug Policy Director William Bennett called the grants ''this administration's single most important new drug prevention initiative. Our experience indicates that nothing works as well as a community mobilized top to bottom to prevent drug abuse.''

Two weeks ago, the U.S. Conference of Mayors lashed out at the Bush administration's ''war on drugs,'' noting the nation's cities had received just 6 percent of federal funds directed at the anti-drug effort. In addition,

half of the $386 million in anti-drug money to be allocated to the states and District of Columbia remained unawarded through the first three-quarters of the fiscal year, the group said.

''The local war on drugs has been waged almost entirely with local resources '' the mayor's conference said.

The new grants, which range in size from $109,000 to $980,000 for 15 months and can be renewed for up to five years, go to community coalitions in 36 states and the District of Columbia. The coalitions, which must consist of a local government agency and at least six other groups, are to use the funds to plan and implement drug and alcohol prevention programs, like those in the school or workplace.

''Let the traffickers and drug dealers take note of what we do here today. They may fear the police, but they should fear an angry and active community even more,'' Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan told a news conference to announce the grants.

J. Thomas Cochran, executive director of the U.S. Mayor's Conference, said his group was pleased with the new grants. ''There is no question they will definitely help prevent and reduce drug abuse,'' he said.

However, Cochran said his group wants a similar direct grant program to help local law enforcement agencies fight drug dealers and users.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Mutinous Philippine soldiers seized two southern cities today and proclaimed an independent federal state in Mindanao. President Aquino... who has survived six coup attempts since taking power in a civilian-backed military revolt in 1986... said in a statement that she will crush the rebels ''in due time.'' The rebels are led by renegade army Colonel Alexander Noble, Aquino's former deputy chief of presidential guards.

Japanese Prime Minister Kaifu is calling on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. He made the statement in a meeting with Iraq's deputy prime minister in the Jordanian capital of Amman. Japan backs the U-N embargo against Iraq, even though it gets much of its oil from Iraq and Kuwait.

Engineers are loading super-cold liquid hydrogen and liquid oxygen aboard the shuttle Discovery as they move toward a Saturday morning launch. At the same time, anti-nuclear activists worried about plutonium aboard Discovery hope a judge in Washington, D-C, will rule tomorrow and delay the launch.

The breakdown of talks between factional leaders in South Africa before they even begin is viewed as a major disappointment by South African President de

Klerk. Fighting between groups loyal to the African National Congress and the Zulu Inkatha movement has claimed 800 lives so far.

The State Department has issued a travel alert suggesting that Americans NOT travel to the East Africa nation of Rwanda. Rebels have crossed the border from neighboring Uganda and are advancing on the capital. Belgium's government is studying a call for help from its former territory.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Five people- two women and three children- died in a house fire on Milwaukee's north side early today... but 19 other people in the house managed to escape the smoke and flames. Fire officials are investigating the cause of the blaze in the two-and-a-half-story house.

Eastern Airlines officials say 13 people were injured- two of them seriously- when an Eastern jetliner hit violent turbulence on a flight from Washington to West Palm Beach, Florida, last night. The D-C-9 carrying 91 passengers and a crew of six landed safely at West Palm Beach airport.

Police in Alexandria, Virginia, arrested Stephen Gobie yesterday for assault and battery on a woman. Gobie was the male prostitute whose sexual relationship with Massachusetts Representative Barney Frank led to a reprimand of the congressman. Police say Gobie grabbed, shook and slapped a woman.

London police say they have arrested nine people in connection with an alleged computer fraud against British Aerospace. Police say the suspects allegedly tied to defraud British Aerospace of 76-Million dollars using computer technology. The company says none of its employees was involved.

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MIAMI (OCT. 4) UPI - Twenty-eight cases of St. Louis encephalitis have been confirmed in Florida in five weeks, forcing cancellation of night football games and other activities after dark, when the mosquitoes that carry the sometimes-fatal disease are most active.

The outbreak is the largest since 1977, when 110 cases of the disease were diagnosed and eight people died, health officials said Thursday.

So far, no fatalities have been linked to this outbreak, but two people were reported comatose and 13 others hospitalized, state health officials said.

In addition to the 28 confirmed cases, at least seven probable cases were under investigation, authorities said.

''The youngest case is 14 years old and the oldest is 86,'' said Ernie Durfee, a spokesman for the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services in Tallahassee.

He said the disease poses the greatest threat to those over 55.

''This is a phenomena of nature. Every 10 to 15 years in Florida, we have these outbreaks. We knew late in the spring and in early summer that we would have many more cases,'' he said.

Florida usually records no more than three cases of St. Louis encephalitis annually.

''It has not been classified as an epidemic and it won't be until we feel preventive measures aren't working,'' Durfee said.

Outbreaks of the disease, carried by the Culex nigripalpus mosquito, usually occur when long droughts are followed by sudden wet periods, he said. Florida has been in a severe drought for two years.

There is no antibiotic for the virus, which can only be transmitted to humans by infected mosquitos. The mosquitos usually contract the disease from birds.

The virus can cause an inflammation of the membranes surrounding the spinal cord and the brain. Sympotoms include headache, fever, light sensitivity, stiffness in the neck, disorientation, tremors and weakness.

State epidemiologists advised residents, especially those in the southern two-thirds of the state, to avoid going out after dusk, to use mosquito spray and to wear long clothing, leaving little skin exposed.

The outbreak was first reported in Indian River County on the east central coast. Most of the reported cases have been in the Atlantic coastal region from Cape Canaveral south to Fort Lauderdale.

Cases have also been confirmed in the Orlando, Tampa and Ocala areas and in rural inland areas in central Florida.

Unwilling to expose fans or athletes to the threat of the disease, many of the state's 420 high school football teams have been forced to reschedule night games to the afternoon.

''It's one of those things where it's foolish not to make some changes,'' said Charles Smith, director of field services for the Florida High School Activities Association in Gainesville.

''Where some of these stadiums are located, the mosquitos can just pick you up and carry you off, no ifs, ands, or buts about it.''

Games have been scheduled for Thursday and Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings. All outside school activities have been discouraged after 5:45 p.m. and some counties have closed their parks at dusk.

Health officials also have advised residents and visitors not to camp outside overnight.

Individual counties have stepped up spraying of insecticides to kill the mosquitos near schools and bodies of standing water where they breed.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Teenagers around the country say abortion is murder but should remain legal to keep it safe, researchers reported Thursday.

Teenagers tended to use ''pro-life'' vocabularies but took ''pro- choice'' positions, said the researchers in describing a series of 11 teen discussion groups held recently in seven cities.

When asked, ''What comes into your head when you hear the word abortion?'' nearly all the groups mentioned, ''murder,'' ''killing a baby,'' and ''death '' said the researchers, who said the groups each consisted of about four boys and four girls.

In one typical comment, a girl in a Milwaukee discussion group also said, ''People are going to do what they want to do,'' adding, ''Let them leave it legal. I'm totally against it but let them leave it legal for the simple fact that it would be done in a proper way.''

In Jackson, Miss., another girl said, ''I'm just trying to say that you shouldn't take away anyone's rights even though abortion is not right.''

The discussions were an attempt to gain a better understanding of adolescent attitudes about abortion, said health policy consultant Rebecca Stone, one of two researchers on the study.

Co-researcher Cynthia Waszak noted that 80 percent of teenage pregnancies in this country are unwanted and 40 percent of them end in abortion.

The study was sponsored by the Population Council in Washington, D.C. and presented in preliminary form at the American Public Health Association's annual conference.

''They didn't identify abortion rights with feminism or female equality,'' Stone said of the 88 teenagers involved.

She said only one of them knew Roe v. Wade was the historic Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion nationwide, and many were not sure abortion was legal throughout the country.

Knife imagery was also common in the discussions, and many teens voiced unfounded fears that cutting in abortion procedures often results in loss of life or fertility, Stone said.

Overwhelmingly, the youths opposed parental involvement in abortion decisions and feared ''troubling a difficult relationship,'' she said.

''I know people who didn't tell their parents they were pregnant because then their parents would know they were having sex,'' said a girl in Boston.

A boy in Portland, Ore., said requiring parental permission could be dangerous saying, ''If parents don't want to sign, that's why a girl might do it with a coat hanger.''

In Albuquerque, N.M., one boy described parents as simply hostile to most youthful activities: ''They're against our having sex; going out. They're against everything we do.''

The discussion groups, which were only partially mixed racially and ethnically also took place in Waynesville, N.C., and Kankakee, Ill.

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BERLIN (OCT. 4) UPI - An enlarged German Parliament and the rest of the country went to work as a single nation Thursday after historic unification festivities ending 45 years of division.

The Parliamentary session in Berlin's restored Reichstag was the first of a free all-German legislature since Hitler banned all but his National Socialist party in 1933.

Recalling the Holocaust and other horrors of that Nazi past, Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Germany today is ''irrevocably'' linked to the western democracies and ''especially'' the United States.

Kohl assured the 663 deputies - 144 from what was East Germany - that Germans can overcome the enormous economic and social gulf between the two parts of their country.

As he spoke, several hundred schoolchildren and students from what until the Oct. 3 Day of Unity was East Germany formed a chain around the Reichstag, holding banners demanding urgent spending on new schools and university grants.

''Sofort mehr kohlen'' (More Coal Immediately) one banner said in a play on words - ''kohl'' being slang for money as well as the name of the chancellor.

The demonstration was peaceful in contrast to the violence Wednesday night when leftist and anarchist anti-unification demonstrators battled with police.

Alexanderplatz in central Berlin resembled a battlefield Thursday with burned-out cars and smashed store and hotel windows. Police said 302 people were arrested and 50 later charged with causing bodily injury and endangering public safety.

Parliament's first session began with the swearing in of five former East German political leaders as cabinet ministers without portfoilio, including ex-premier Lothar de MAiziere, followed by a day of predictable speeches centered on the challenges facing the new Germany.

Gregor Gysi, leader of the former East German communists now called the Party of Democratic Socialism, called for ''dignity, culture and tolerance'' in the new Parliament.

''Everything must be avoided that would further undermine the self- confidence of former East German citizens,'' Gysi said, citing as an example the ''naming of five ministers but with nothing to do.''

Kohl called in his opening government statement for an Atlantic Declaration to formalize ties between Germany and Europe on one side and the United States and Canada on the other.

The European Security Conference summit in Paris in November, he said, should also formally renounce the use of force.

Kohl praised Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev - who visits next month to sign a friendship and cooperation treaty - for making such speedy German unity possible.

At the same time, Kohl underlined Germanys commitment to freedom and democracy.

''United Germany stands irrevocably behind the western alliance, behind solidarity and for the common values of the free western democracies, especially the United States,'' Kohl said.

The Reichstag was gutted Feb. 27, 1933, by a fire Hitler blamed on the communists but that many historians believe was set by the Nazis to discredit others. Hitler promptly banned all other parties.

Kohl told the lawmakers Germany ''must never forget, suppress or play down the crimes committed in this century by Germans.''

''Above all, we owe this to the victims of the Holocaust, the unparalleled genocide of European Jews,'' he said.

Kohl and his Christian Democratic Union, together with the similarly conservative but small Free Democratic Party, enjoy a solid majority of 354 of the 663 seats in Parliament.

Polls also suggest Kohl will walk away with victory in the first all- German elections Dec. 2.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Here is a roundup of the latest major events in the Persian Gulf crisis stemming from the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait:

Japanese Premier Toshiki Kaifu met in Jordan Thursday with Iraqi Deputy Premier Taha Yassin Ramadan, and renewed the United Nations' demand that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait. In other developments, French President Francois Mitterrand arrived in the Saudi Red Sea port of Jeddah to meet with King Fahd as part of his gulf tour. Also, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's envoy, Yevgeny Primakov, arrived in Baghdad from Amman after talks with King Hussein and Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat.

PARIS - Nine French hostages arrived have home from Iraq Thursday as President Francois Mitterrand met with Saudi King Fahd. The French Foreign Ministry meanwhile confirmed reports that two other French hostages being held on a barge in northern Kuwait had managed to flee to Saudi Arabia with three British hostages, dodging Iraqi naval patrols aboard a Zodiac inflatable dinghy.

ROME - Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis said Thursday Italy's two remaining diplomats in Kuwait will be forced to leave their embassy ''within the next few hours or days'' because they have run out of food and water. He also said the embassy is surrounded by Iraqi troops. Italy and other Western countries have defied orders by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, issued shortly after his Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, to close their embassies.

WASHINGTON - American city dwellers are suffering cuts in basic services because of the sharply rising cost of gasoline, the U.S. Conference of Mayors said Thursday. A survey of 50 cities found the overall cost of fuel needed to run police cars, fire trucks, ambulances, sanitation equipment and public transportation jumped 30.6 percent during August, and in some cities the rise was well over 50 percent.

WASHINGTON - President Bush has drawn what he calls a ''line in the sand'' in his showdown with Iraq's Saddam Hussein but church leaders and religious

opinion makers want the United States to be more flexible. While generally supporting Bush's first reaction to the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq, church leaders now are expressing alarm at talk of the ''inevitability'' of war in the region.

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CLEVELAND, GA (OCT. 4) UPI - Babyland General Hospital, where ''Mother Cabbage'' gives birth to some of America's most popular dolls, may be moving unless townspeople succeed in a campaign to keep their No. 1 tourist attraction.

Officials with Original Appalachian Artworks, parent company of the hospital built to showcase Cabbage Patch Kids, may want to move from White County to a neigboring county to find space to expand, said Mari Forquer, director of corporate communications for the company.

The possible move made Carolyn Cady, a 53-year-old grandmother of three, upset enough to write a letter to the local weekly paper, The Telegraph. Since then, at least 500 residents of the town have signed a petition started by the newspaper editor asking Babyland General to stay in Cleveland.

''It started out just as a short letter. Mine just happened to reach the hearts of the people,'' Cady said Thursday.

Babyland General is a collection of displays featuring the Cabbage Patch Kids. Exhibits show the dolls at school, in the nursery or at play.

During one special exhibit, Mother Cabbage goes into labor, eventually parting her cabbage leaves to give birth to a newborn Cabbage Patch Kid.

Cabbage Patch Kids also are for sale at Babyland General, although company officials prefer to say the dolls are adopted.

''It's such a magical place ... I go three or four times a year just to sit back and watch the people,'' Cady said.

Forquer said the company has made no definite plans to move. Company officials have talked with government leaders in White County, where Cleveland is located, and have also met with Hall County officials. The company also is considering moving to Habersham or Lumpkin counties.

With about 1 million visitors a year, Babyland General simply needs to be bigger, Forquer said. It currently is on leased property that offers little hope for expansion.

''I can't bear the thought of seeing them leave Cleveland,'' Cady said. ''My

feeling is if we lose this, we're going to lose so much for our children.''

Many of the petition signers have been children, who also have sent drawings of hearts with ''I Love You'' written on them to Xavier Roberts, a White County native who created the dolls, said Steve Whitmire, editor and publisher of The Telegraph.

Whitmire has printed the petition signatures in his paper and admits he's behind the effort to keep the tourist attraction in town.

''After about two weeks, we said we can't just sit around and be objective here,'' the editor said. ''It's one of the state's top 10 tourist attractions. They draw strictly all-American, wholesome clientele, and I'd hate to see them go.''

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BERLIN (OCT. 4) UPI - Everything seemed back to normal in Berlin Thursday - even the weather.

After two bright and sunny days of Wednesday's celebrating unification, Berliners returned to work under grey skies and Parliament held the first all-German session in the original Reichstag building.

Few visible things had changed since unification, including the police who wore the same western uniforms in what used to be East and West Berlin.

Inside the Reichstag, 663 deputies - 519 from former West and 144 from East Germany - gathered in the recently redesigned assembly hall for their first session.

A Bonn deputy asked a guard where his seat was. The guard advised him to sit ''just like in the Bundestag,'' the Bonn parliament.

Once the members had found their seats, parliamentary speaker Rita Suessmuth greeted them with a simple ''Guten Morgen.''

The deputies will return to Bonn to meet for another session Friday. Although Berlin is now officially the capital of Germany, Bonn will remain the seat of government.

Outside, 300 teenagers from former East Germany formed a human chain around the building, calling for more funding for vocational training and university scholarships.

One 14-year-old boy held aloft a German flag bearing the words ''swords into ploughshares.''

At the nearby Brandenburg gate, several tourists stood in the drizzle to buy T-shirts saying ''Oct. 3 unification, I was there.''

Elsewhere in Berlin, life had largely returned to normal after almost two days of ceremonies, celebrations and demonstrations.

Before dawn, squads of cleaners washed away sausage leftovers, empty beer cans and champagne bottles along the famed ''Unter den Linden'' boulevard, where the last revelers drank until early morning.

At the Alexanderplatz near the boulevard, dozens of workers were busy replacing windows smashed in riots that marred the celebrations Wednesday night.

Throughout the city, German flags fluttered on masts and apartment building balconies.

''Good morning, Germany,'' proclaimed thousands of banners.

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#90277u1196 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (OCT. 4) UPI - The government decided Thursday to send troops to Rwanda, its former territory, to protect 1,600 Belgians from a rebel attack in the east central African country.

''The government has decided, in concert with the Rwandan government, to send without delay troops and military equipment to Rwanda in the framework of a humanitarian action aiming to protect the Belgian residents and allow, if necessary, their evacuation,'' Prime Minister Wilfried Martens said.

Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana asked for the military help Wednesday during a visit to Brussels.

Officials declined to say how many Belgian troops were being dispatched. Paratroopers were seen embarking Thursday afternoon from a military airport near Brussels.

France announced Thursday that it too is sending 150 soldiers to Rwanda in response to a Rwandan request for help. France wants to ensure the safety of French citizens and the French Embassy in Rwanda.

Hundreds of Rwandan peasants were fleeing to their capital city in an attempt to escape tribal fighting in the northern part of the country, a western diplomat said Thursday.

The diplomat, based in the Rwandan capital of Kigali, also said there had been

many civilian and military casualties in the conflict, but declined to speculate how many. The fighting broke out Sunday when an estimated 1,500 armed, mainly Tutsti, Rwandan exiles invaded Rwanda from Uganda.

''Yesterday and the day before, several hundred peasant families arrived (in Kigali). Certainly there have been military casualties, and we must think there are civilians who have been caught in the cross- fire,'' said the diplomat.

''This is essentially a tribal and ethnic war,'' said the diplomat, asking not to be identified.

In Washington, the State Department advised U.S. citizens to defer travel to Rwanda until further notice. The travel advisory also addressed Americans already inside the country: ''The U.S. Embassy in Kigali has recommended that Americans in the northern prefectures of Ruhengeri, Gisenyi and Byumba return to Kigali, where the situation is more secure.''

Led by Maj. Gen. Fred Rwigyema, a former top commander of the Ugandan National Resistance Army, the rebel exiles want to topple the mainly Hutu tribe government of Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana. Rwigyema is of Rwandan extraction.

Although the fighting had come within 40 miles of Kigali, and people in the capital are nervous, daily business was going on as usual, the diplomat said.

Habyarimana, in New York attending the United Nations' world summit on children when the fighting broke out, returned to Rwanda Wednesday night after stopping off in Belgium.

Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni has condemned the attack and closed all border points and roads along the Ugandan-Rwandan frontier, cutting off any possible rebel retreat.

Reports reaching Nairobi from the Ugandan border town of Mbarara said there were a large number of Ugandan troops patrolling the area. Military sources in Mabara said the rebels had captured a small airfield inside Rwanda.

One Rwandan exile, identifying himself only as a member of the rebel Rwandan Patriotic Front, confirmed that the rebels were seeking to overthrow the Rwandan government.

''We are fighting the (Rwandan) government because it is corrupt, cliquish and regionalist. It will be a protracted war, while we mobilize the people for the revolution,'' he said.

Rwigyema, the son of Rwandan refugees who fled to Uganda in the 1960s to escape tribal wars and food shortages, joined Museveni's fledgling guerrilla

army in 1976 and received special guerrilla warfare training in Tanzania and Mozambique.

When Museveni took power in 1986, he appointed Rwigyema as his deputy army commander, and later made him deputy minister of state for defense. In a military reshuffle last year, Rwigyema was posted abroad for further training.

An estimated 80,000 Rwandan exiles have been living in Uganda.

Rwanda is a mountainous country about the size of Belgium. It is the most densely populated nation in Africa. A German protectorate from 1899 to 1916, Rwanda became part of the Belgian mandate of Rwanda-Urundi after World War I and later was part of a Belgian-administered trust territory. It won independence in 1962.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - Federal prosecutors said Thursday they have demanded documents and written explanations from the oil industry as part of a widening Justice Department investigation into recent gasoline price increases.

The department's Antitrust Division launched the inquiry Aug. 6 to determine if price-fixing or other antitrust violations played a part in sharp price increases at the gas pump following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait.

Justice Department investigators already have questioned several top executives from oil companies, officials said, adding the oil industry has cooperated in the probe so far.

''That phase of the investigation developed substantial information about the nature of crude oil and gasoline markets and how they behaved in the wake of the Aug. 2 invasion,'' said Assistant Attorney General James Rill, head of the Antitrust Division. ''It also provided us with an opportunity to have the parties explain the factors that caused them to raise gasoline prices.''

The department declined to name the companies or detail the nature of the information requested. But Rill said the subpoenas were issued to ''major oil companies and independent refiners and marketers of gasoline.''

The subpoenas should enable investigators to scrutinize oil industry explanations of the price hikes and to address some unanswered questions, Rill said.

Although the loss of oil production from Iraq and Kuwait largely has been offset by other producers, speculation has driven the price of oil up on world markets. However, that higher-priced oil was not used to make the gasoline Americans were paying more for last month.

The American Automobile Association said Tuesday the average price of gasoline is now 27.1 cents a gallon higher than Aug. 1, the day before Iraq invaded Kuwait. AAA said the average price of a gallon of regular gasoline - $1.346 a gallon - is at its highest level since Thanksgiving 1981.

''We aggressively will pursue this investigation until we determine whether or not violations of antitrust law contributed to the rise in gasoline prices,'' Rill said.

Antitrust investigators will continue to interview industry officials and collect information on oil prices and supplies, Rill said. The Federal Trade Commission, the Department of Energy and state prosecutors are assisting in the investigation.

The high profile inquiry is in contrast to usual Justice Department policy not to comment on pending investigations and comes in the wake of appeals to the oil industry by President Bush to refrain from taking advantage of the Persian Gulf crisis through speculation or price gouging.

In an effort to calm oil markets, Bush last week authorized a test witdrawal from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, the nation's 590 million-barrel crude oil nest egg created following the oil shortages of the 1970s.

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (OCT. 4) UPI - The European Community Executive Commission Thursday adopted a $45.5 million program to help cut energy use by 12 percent over the next five years.

''Efficient use of energy has deteriorated following the two energy crises of the 1970s,'' said Antonio Cardoso e Cunha, the 12-nation European Community's energy commissioner.

Falling oil prices in the 1980s encouraged consumers to resume their wasteful ways, he said, and the sharp increase in oil prices following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait shows the need for renewed conservation.

Program SAVE, as the new EC plan is known, calls for several steps to encourage more efficient energy use, including regulatory measures and financial support of conservation techniques.

One step suggested by Cardoso is the employment of trained energy monitors at large manufacturing plants.

Mandatory automobile speed limits were not considered by the Commission in adopting the program, because officials said such a measure would be better

suited to emergency legislation in the event of an acute oil shortage.

''The public might feel such a step was panic-mongering,'' Cardoso said, and it could upset an already ''erratic'' energy market.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 4) UPI - Mutinous soldiers seized two southern cities Thursday without firing a shot and proclaimed an independent federal state in Mindanao, the first stage of a seventh attempt to overthrow President Corazon Aquino.

Led by renegade army Col. Alexander Noble, Aquino's former deputy chief of presidential guards, the rebels took the logging town of Butuan before dawn, marched triumphantly on to nearby Cagayan de Oro city to the cheers of thousands of residents and occupied the Armed Forces' 4th Division headquarters.

''This is a victory for a free Mindanao,'' a visibly tired Noble told reporters in the evening at Camp Edilberto Evangelista. He said the camp commander, Brig. Gen. Miguel Sol, and his men fled without resisting.

A rebel statement issued in Manila said Noble and his men ''liberated'' Mindanao, a mineral- and timber-rich region 500 miles south of Manila, and established the Federal Republic of Mindanao in the former U.S. colony.

''This is the first concrete step of a great historical process toward realizing a federal-parliamentary form of governance for the entire Philippine archipelago,'' the statement said.

It said the rebels acted to ''free themselves from the vicious cycles of poverty, corruption, ignorance, apathy, anarchy and injustice.''

Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos, who cut short a holiday in Hong Kong, told reporters he ordered rebellion charges filed against Noble and his associates. He said Noble sent letters to diplomatic missions in Manila asking for recognition of the breakaway state, a violation of the constitution.

Aquino, 57, who has survived six coup attempts since taking power in a civilian-backed military revolt in 1986, said in a statement she would crush the rebels ''in due time'' and appealed to Filipinos for support in fighting ''trouble makers.''

''We cannot allow our democracy to die,'' she said.

U.S. Ambassador Nicholas Platt issued a statement expressing ''unequivocal support'' for Aquino. ''We strongly condemn any effort to destabilize the

elected Philippine government in any part of the republic,'' he said.

An official in Manila who did not wish to be named was concerned that there was no resistance to Noble. ''What is scary is not a single shot was fired.''

In the capital, marine troops from nearby Bulacan province augmented security forces Thursday evening. The only incident reported was a bomb blast that damaged the water pumping station at the Fort Bonifacio. There were no casualties.

It was the 40th bombing in metropolitan Manila in two months, all blamed on rebel soldiers.

The military also announced the arrest of a rebel soldier, Capt. Diosdado Valeroso, in suburban Quezon City Thursday afternoon.

The Armed Forces chief, Gen. Renato de Villa, placed the 159,000- member armed forces under red alert - the maximum state of preparedness - and ordered loyalist troops to retake Butuan and Cagayan de Oro.

He said except for the small group of mutineers who joined Noble the armed forces was ''intact'' and soldiers were respecting the ''chain of command.''

But at nightfall, there was no indication de Villa's order was being carried out in Cagayan de Oro. Noble said 90 percent of the forces there had vowed to support him and were taking a ''wait-and-see attitude.''

The only reported encounter was the blasting by air force T-28 planes of a rebel helicopter at a camp in nearby Iligan city. A T-28 on a reconnaisance mission crashed in the central island of Cebu on return to base, killing its pilot.

Rebel soldiers have said their next attempt to oust Aquino would be bloodless because it would entail only a withdrawal of support for Aquino. The plan under operation ''August moon'' called for the takeover of key cities in Mindanao to trigger a coup attempt in Manila. Under the Chinese calendar the plan was to take effect Wednesday.

Noble and his men seized the army brigade headquarters in Butuan at midnight Wednesday, shut down two radio stations and allowed two others sympathetic to their cause to operate.

The 800 rebels, including 500 militiamen, moved in a convoy of three V-150 armored vehicles and a dozen trucks, some of them towing 105 mm howitzers, to Cagayan de Oro, 150 miles west of Butuan.

Local opposition leaders, led by former Mayor Reuben Canoy and 12,000 followers, welcomed Noble, the subject of a massive manhunt in the Butuan area

for two months.

Chanting ''independence, independence,'' the crowd paraded behind Noble's convoy, distributing leaflets announcing the formation of the Mindanao state in a region wracked for two decades by insurgencies waged by communist guerrillas and Moslem separatists.

Reacting to the uprising, the composite price index fell by 34.27 percent to 515.39 Thursday on the Manila stock exchange. The index slightly recovered Wednesday, but fell again to its lowest level in 3 1/2 years.

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DETROIT (OCT. 4) UPI - Ford Motor Co. was expected Thursday to make a proposal to the United Auto Workers in efforts to tailor the union's pact reached last month with General Motors Corp. to fit its specific needs.

The nature of the offer - and the union's reaction to it - is expected to determine whether the two sides can reach a tentative agreement covering Ford's 99,800 U.S. hourly workers by the end of this week, company spokesmen said.

Earlier this week, UAW President Owen Bieber expressed optimism that an agreement with the No. 2 automaker could be reached this week, with the GM pact to be used as a pattern.

But top Ford bargainers called that target ''ambitious,'' with company spokesman Dick Routh saying negotiators were prepared to work through the weekend if necessary.

Stricter penalties for the use of overtime is the major issue between Ford and the UAW, Routh said. The UAW negotiated stricter penalties against the use of excessive overtime at General Motors, which is now assessed up to $5 for overtime hours logged by workers. The company is required to pay the penalty into a joint skills and training fund.

The union contends that Ford, which relies on overtime the most among the nation's Big Three automakers, should create more jobs instead.

''This is the strategy we adopted in the mid-1980s, and it has served us very well in the form of job security,'' Routh said of Ford's use of overtime. ''We feel we would like to have the flexibility of working overtime without paying such a stiff penalty for doing so.''

Ford, which only has 630 workers on indefinite layoff, vs. about 30, 000 at GM also maintains that overtime has benefitted both the company and workers, especially during a period of softer sales as the industry is now experiencing.

For the model year ended Sept. 30, Ford saw its share of the U.S. vehicle market decline to 23.8 percent from 24.4 percent in 1989, with the total industry shrinking 7.7 percent to an estimated 14.2 million units.

Routh also said Ford's hourly labor costs have grown to $30.98 a worker, including wages, benefits and average overtime, from $28.88 at the start of the last Ford/UAW pact in 1987.

''We must do everything we can to reduce costs to remain competitive, especially with the transplants, which now enjoy an $8-an-hour cost advantage over us,'' Routh said.

Transplants are the North American assembly plants operated by Japanese automakers that include Toyota, Honda, Mazda and Nissan.

Following a tentative settlement and worker ratification at Ford, the UAW will take its pact to third-ranked Chrysler Corp. But industry experts believe the union may have a tough time keeping Chrysler to stick to the pattern, since top company executives have openly called the GM/UAW pact ''unaffordable.''

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PATERSON, NJ (OCT. 4) UPI - A judge visited a nursing home Thursday to examine a mentally incompetent woman whose father is seeking an emergency court order for an abortion.

The 33-year-old divorced mother of three was left mentally incompetent from complications during childbirth six years ago and lives in the nursing home.

The woman, whose name is being withheld, has become pregnant again, raising suspicions of rape and posing unprecedented legal questions over who has control of the 23-week-old fetus.

Her father, who is her legal guardian, is seeking court approval for the abortion.

Superior Court Judge Amos Saunders, after briefly hearing arguments, said he would talk to the woman himself to determine her mental state, then resume the court hearing in the late afternoon.

The woman's physician has told the court in legal documents that the ''latest possible time for termination within medically accepted safe standards'' is Oct. 5.

In court documents, the father said he feared his daughter had been raped at the Daughters of Miriam Center in Clifton.

''No one can be sure if these acts of sexual assault have ceased or are persisting,'' wrote Dennis Maycher, an attorney representing the father.

He had requested six months ago that she be removed from nursing home but was denied court approval when the nursing home argued that the woman would suffer a psychological setback if she were removed.

The father now has private nurses at his daughter's bedside around the clock.

Steven Schilsky, assistant executive director of the nursing home, said the nursing home discovered Sept. 18 that the woman was 21 weeks pregnant and, suspecting rape, immediately notified Clifton police.

The Passaic County prosecutor's office has joined the investigation.

Schilsky said there is a question as to where any rape might have occurred, saying the woman leaves the center to attend a church-related support group for young disabled people.

The father's attorney told The Record of Hackensack, N.J., that permission was being sought for the abortion because New Jersey courts have never faced the issue of whether a legal guardian can make such a decision without court approval.

''The issue is whether the guardian making a decision for her to have an abortion may make that choice without involving the court,'' wrote Joseph Hallock, an attorney representing Midlantic National Bank, the court-appointed guardian of the woman's financial affairs.

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HANOVER, NH (OCT. 4) UPI - A crowd of more than 1,000 Dartmouth College students and staff turned out Thursday for a rally to vent their outrage at the printing in the Dartmouth Review of an anti-Semitic quote from Adolf Hitler.

But at a news conference before the rally, officials of the conservative off-campus weekly maintained that the quote was inserted in the paper by an unknown saboteur and accused college officials of trying to use the incident to attack the Review.

The Hitler quote was contained in the middle of a quote from Theodore Roosevelt on the paper's masthead, which is described as the paper's ''credo.''

College President James Freedman, a frequent target of the newspaper, told the crowd at the college green that the incident had led to ''a week of infamy at

Dartmouth.''

''We're trying to represent to the nation that the Dartmouth Review does not represent the views of students at Dartmouth College,'' Brian V. Ellner, the college student assembly president, told students at the rally.

''Things should never have gotten to this point,'' said rally organizer Rachel B. Coustan. ''This has gone too far this time.''

At a news conference earlier in the day, Dartmouth Review trustee Dimesh D'Souza compared the current controversy to the Tawana Brawley case in New York. In that case a black girl said she was kidnapped and raped by white men, a story that was later discredited.

''There is a strong possibility that it was an imposter,'' D'Souza said. ''It is a sabotage. It is a dirty trick. It is a subterfuge.''

D'Souza compared Freedman to the Rev. Al Sharpton, a black activist who used the Brawley case as a platform to espouse his views.

The quote, ''Therefore, I believe today that I am acting in the sense of the Almightly Creator: By warding off the Jews, I am fighting for the Lord's work '' was printed in the Oct. 3 edition of the Dartmouth Review. It was taken from ''Mein Kampf,'' Hitler's political autobiography.

About 3,000 copies of the paper containing the quote were delivered on Friday, which was Yom Kippur, the holiest day of the Jewish calendar. Another 10,000 copies of the paper were destroyed.

The Dartmouth Review has had a stormy 10-year history, frequently attacking Freedman, and blacks and women on the Ivy League school's faculty.

The newspaper, which has no connection with the college, is backed by William F. Buckley and other well-known conservatives.

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GUATEMALA CITY (OCT. 4) UPI - Five of the seven people charged with killing U.S. citizen Michael Devine are members of Guatemala's army, the deputy attorney general for human rights said Thursday.

Deputy Attorney General Fernando Hurtado Prem said he received a letter last week from the defense minister saying murder charges have been filed against five soldiers and two others for their role in the killing of Devine.

Devine, 49, of Bellville, Ill., had lived in Guatemala for 18 years and was an innkeeper and tour guide in northern Peten province when he was kidnapped by

five armed men in civilian clothes June 8.

His beaten and decapitated body was found the next day along a road in a jungle area of Peten province.

The killing of Devine and the rash of human rights violations in the country have put a thorn in relations between the United States and Guatemala.

U.S. Ambassador Thomas Stroock has criticized President Vinicio Cerezo's inability to control the daily kidnappings, disappearances and murders, which human rights groups say are committed mostly by the army.

Hurtado said the five soldiers are Rafael Tiul Cucul, Pablo Lajuj, Andres Norente, Ricardo Guzman and Banjamin Ponji.

Two of the soldiers were previously identified as belonging to an elite counter-intelligence unit under the direct orders of the army High Command.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 4) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.74 1/2	2.75 1/4	2.73	2.75	2.74 1/4
Mar	2.88 1/2	2.89 1/4	2.87 1/4	2.89	2.88 1/4
May	2.96	2.96	2.93 3/4	2.95 3/4	2.95 1/2
Jly	3.00 1/2	3.01	2.98 1/2	3.00 1/2	3.00 1/2
Sep	3.05	3.05	3.03	3.04 1/2	3.05
Dec	3.15 3/4	3.15 3/4	3.13	3.13 1/2	3.15 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.29	2.31 1/2	2.29	2.30 3/4	2.29
Mar	2.38 1/4	2.40 3/4	2.37 3/4	2.40 1/4	2.38 1/2
May	2.44 1/4	2.46 1/4	2.43 3/4	2.46	2.44
Jly	2.47 3/4	2.49 3/4	2.47 1/4	2.49 1/2	2.47 3/4
Sep	2.44 1/2	2.47	2.44 1/2	2.46 1/2	2.45 1/2
Dec	2.48	2.49 1/2	2.46 3/4	2.49	2.48
Mar	2.54 1/2	2.55 1/2	2.54 1/2	2.55 1/2	2.54
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.24 1/4	1.24 1/2	1.22	1.23 1/4	1.23 3/4
Mar	1.34 3/4	1.34 3/4	1.32 1/2	1.33 1/2	1.34 1/4
May	1.41 1/2	1.41 1/2	1.39 3/4	1.40 1/2	1.41 1/2
Jly	1.47 1/4	1.47 1/4	1.46	1.46	1.47

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	6.22	6.24 1/4	6.17 1/2	6.17 3/4	6.20	
Jan	6.36	6.38 1/4	6.31	6.31 1/2	6.34 1/2	
Mar	6.48 1/2	6.50 1/4	6.44	6.44	6.47 1/4	
May	6.59	6.60 1/2	6.54	6.53 3/4	6.56 1/4	
Jly	6.66 1/2	6.68	6.61	6.61 1/4	6.64 3/4	
Aug	6.60 1/2	6.60 1/2	6.57	6.55	6.57 1/2	
Sep	6.35	6.35	6.27	6.27	6.31	
Nov	6.21	6.21 1/2	6.16 1/2	6.16	6.20 1/4	

Soybean Oil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Oct	22.48	22.48	22.18	22.18	22.40
Dec	22.75	22.83	22.51	22.53	22.68
Jan	23.03	23.10	22.81	22.82	23.00
Mar	23.50	23.55	23.29	23.26	23.48
May	23.80	23.85	23.62	23.60	23.79
Jly	23.95	24.05	23.81	23.85	23.95
Aug	23.95	24.05	23.92	23.75	23.95
Sep	23.75	23.75	23.65	23.65	23.82
Oct	23.30	23.35	23.20	23.20	23.50
Dec	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.12	23.40

Soybean Meal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	185.00	185.50	182.60	183.60	183.50
Dec	189.80	190.50	187.30	187.70	188.40
Jan	190.50	192.00	188.70	189.00	189.70
Mar	192.50	193.50	190.70	191.00	191.40
May	193.10	193.50	191.00	191.50	192.20
Jly	194.00	194.00	191.50	191.50	192.00
Aug	192.50	192.50	191.00	190.00	190.50
Sep	188.50	189.00	184.00	186.70	188.00
Oct	186.00	186.50	184.50	184.00	186.70
Dec	186.50	186.50	184.50	184.50	186.40

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CHICAGO (OCT. 4) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	80.02	80.12	79.55	79.77	79.92
Dec	77.05	77.30	76.52	76.72	76.85
Feb	75.50	75.65	74.80	75.02	75.35
Apr	75.97	76.25	75.65	75.87	76.02
Jun	73.50	73.60	73.00	73.37	73.45

Aug 71.90 71.90 71.57 71.60 71.80
Oct 72.00 72.00 71.75 71.75 71.95

Est. sales 13,320 contracts; Wednesday 16, 344; open interest 68,334 off 192.
Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb
$$$ae Oct 88.15 88.15 87.52 87.75 87.75
Nov 86.90 87.27 86.75 86.85 86.87
Jan 86.00 86.20 85.60 86.05 86.07
Mar 83.80 84.00 83.50 83.67 83.47
Apr 83.10 83.60 83.00 83.05 83.20
May 82.25 82.25 82.10 82.17 82.05 Aug 82.50 82.50 82.45 92.45 ....

Est. sales 1,035 contracts; Wednesday 1,442; open interest 11,066 up 341.
Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
$$$ae Oct 56.70 57.55 56.67 57.25 56.60
Dec 55.60 56.10 55.10 55.32 55.67
Feb 52.85 53.15 51.90 52.15 52.77
Apr 49.12 49.30 48.45 48.52 49.15
Jun 52.30 52.50 51.75 51.87 52.35
Jly 52.50 52.55 52.00 52.10 52.50
Aug 50.80 50.75 50.75 50.75
Oct 46.10 46.10 46.10 46.10 46.10 Est. sales 7,638 contracts; Wednesday 11, 829; open interest 26,964 up 653. Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
$$$ae Feb 64.80 64.90 63.30 64.45 64.20
Mar 64.35 64.60 63.25 64.25 64.07
May 63.80 64.47 63.05 64.22 64.67
Jly 63.90 64.20 62.82 63.80 64.45
Aug 62.50 62.50

Est. sales 5,445 contracts; Wednesday 3,519; open interest 6,609 up 1,112.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - They may have to use a coin in the House today to it comes to the showdown vote on the budget reduction plan. The latest count shows neither side has the votes it needs. But that has NOT stopped House leaders who say they have NO plans to postpone the scheduled afternoon vote. The 500-BILLION-dollar, five-year package raises taxes while it cuts government spending.

Berlin's historic Reichstag parliament building echoed to the sound of legislators today for the first time since 1933. The gathering of 633 delegates included 144 newcomers from what had been East Germany until it ceased to exist yesterday. Chancellor Kohl told those assembled in front of him that the newly unified nation will remain an important part of the western alliance.

French President Mitterand is holding talks with Saudi Arabia's King Fahd today in the second day of a visit to the Persian Gulf area. Mitterand spent the night aboard a French warship, one of several dispatched to the area. And he will review crack elements of the French Foreign Legion now in Saudi Arabia. Last week, Mitterand proposed what could become a peaceful settlement to the crisis. It has drawn expressions of interest from Iraq.

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ORLANDO, Fla. (OCT. 4) UPI - The Walt Disney Co. filed a federal lawsuit Thursday accusing 37 Florida retailers and distributors of selling products illegally adorned with Disney characters.

The company said the lawsuit - the 26th such anti-piracy action undertaken by Disney since 1985 - charges the defendants with copyright infringement, false designation of origin and unfair competition.

The company said the retailers and distributors, including Gala Enterprises of central Florida, sold or supplied sweatshirts, T-shirts, hats, watches, dolls and other products with Disney characters in about 50 retail locations.

Disney said it is seeking an injunction to block future sales of pirated merchandise, and damages for willful infringement.

The company estimated its total damages at $50,000.

Disney said 15 Gala stores in central Florida were named in the complaint.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - Alaskans use more energy per person than residents of any other state while New Yorkers and New Englanders consume the least, an environmental group said Thursday.

In a state-by-state study of energy use, Public Citizen, a group formed by consumer advocate Ralph Nader, found the average American consumed 323 million British thermal units - or Btus - of energy a year, equal to the energy provided by 56 barrels of oil.

In contrast, residents of frigid Alaska used more than three times as much energy as the national average, consuming 987 million Btus annually, the equivalent of 170 barrels of oil a year.

Following Alaska among the 10 biggest energy consumers on a per person basis were, in order: Wyoming, 794 million Btus or the equivalent of 137 barrels of

oil; Louisiana, 787 million Btus or 136 barrels; Texas, 564 million Btus or 97 barrels; North Dakota, 471 million Btus or 81 barrels; Indiana, 443 million Btus or 76 barrels; Kansas, 420 million Btus or 73 barrels; West Virginia, 429 million Btus or 72 barrels; Montana, 414 million Btus or 71 barrels; and Oklahoma, 397 million Btus or 68 barrels.

The report said those 10 states have less than 15 percent of the nation's popluation, but account for more than 25 percent of America's energy use.

The states using the least energy on a per person basis were, in order: New York, 200 million Btus or 34 barrels of oil a year; Rhode Island, 217 million Btus or 37 barrels; New Hampshire, 219 million Btus or 38 barrels; Massachusetts, 228 million Btus or 39 barrels; Vermont, 228 million Btus or 39 barrels; Florida, 231 million Btus or 40 barrels; Connecticut, 234 million Btus or 40 barrels; Hawaii, 240 million Btus or 41 barrels; California, 240 million Btus or 41 barrels; and Arizona, 252 million Btus or 44 barrels.

Those 10 states are home to 31 percent of the U.S. population but account for only 22 percent of the country's energy consumption, said the study, entitled ''Energy Audit: A State-by-State Profile of Energy Conservation and Alternatives.''

Jonathan Becker, one of the authors of the report, said the survey was based on Energy Department energy consumption data for 1988, the latest year for which information was available.

Becker said his group had no clear explanation of different state rankings, though Alaska's extremely cold climate obviously contributed to that state's high energy use.

However, he noted New York and New England states also had cold winters but managed to keep per person energy consumption very low.

Overall, the report said: ''If every state in the country consumed the same amount of energy as do the five most energy-efficient states, energy use in the United States would be 35 percent less than it is today.''

Other findings in the report include:

-In regard to actual petroleum consumption, Alaskans use the most, 71 barrels a year, more than three times higher than the national average of 24 barrels a year.

-Residents of Wyoming use the most gasoline, 666 gallons a year. Car- loving residents of California ranked 11th, at 444 gallons a year.

-Washington leads all states in utilization of renewable energy sources, with 54 percent of its energy coming from hydroelectric, solar, wind, geothermal

and wood. The state's high ranking is largely due to hydropower.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Michigan Dr. Jack Kevorkian suggests that he might disobey a court order barring him from letting terminally ill patients use his suicide device. Kevorkian told the Detroit chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists last night- quote- ''The law and ethics flatly don't mean a thing to me when a patient is in front of me and needs help.'' Kevorkian gained international attention when he aided the June 4th suicide of 54-year-old Janet Adkins of Portland, Oregon, who was suffering from Alzheimer's disease. Adkins died in Kevorkian's van after giving herself a heart-stopping injection of drugs.

A woman in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, faces child abuse charges after her son, who suffers from cerebral palsy, was severely bitten by rats in the family's squalid home. Authorities say Arlene Addie Tolliver, a mother of seven, is free on bond pending her October 30th trial. She's charged with misdemeanor child abuse in the case involving her disabled son and also faces two counts of misdemeanor child neglect in incidents involving two younger children. The arrest warrant said Tolliver allowed garbage to pile up and spoil in her home, attracting the rats that gnawed on the child.

The last eldress in the Shaker ministry has died in New Hampshire's Canterbury Shaker Village. Eldress Bertha Lindsay died yesterday at the age of 93. She was one of two Shakers remaining in the Canterbury community and one of less than 10 left in the nation. 94-year-old Sister Ethel Hudson is now the sole remaining Shaker at the once-thriving Canterbury community founded in the 1780's. At their peak in the mid- 19th century, there were more than six-thousand Shakers living in 19 communities from Maine to Kentucky.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Corby Distilleries (6 Mos 8-31)	
$48,645,000	$55,119,000
$8,217,000 (1.18)	$6,486,000 (.94)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Harletsville Natl (3rd Q 9-30)	
....	....
$1,416,000 (.71)	$1,186,000 (.59)

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A SAUDI-KUWAIT BORDER TOWN (OCT. 4) UPI - Two French and three British citizens laying low in northern Kuwait fled to Saudi Arabia aboard a Zodiac inflatable dinghy, dodging Iraqi naval patrols, mine fields and a choppy sea, it was revealed Thursday.

At the same time, hundreds of Kuwaitis continued to flee their occupied country for Saudi Arabia.

The men said they planned the escape for about five weeks and told friends they were going fishing, arranging to meet a tugboat in the Persian Gulf. But they missed the ship.

''Unfortunately the charts we had to go by were old,'' said Ivan Manning, 44, a British citizen. ''Our navigation was very hit and miss; we were totally off course.''

When they realized they would not be picked up as planned, the group had no choice but to navigate toward the Saudi Arabian coast, risking that they would be discovered by one of the many Iraqi warships that patrol the area.

At one point they almost put in at Kuwait City, thinking it was the town on the Saudi side of the border they were trying to reach.

Manning, Mike Teesdale and Keith Barkworth of Britain and Amedee du Paty de Clam and Jamel Cellier of France made the escape in 25 hours Monday and Tuesday, aided only by the obsolete navigation chart and the starlit sky.

Authorities only made their escape public Thursday, giving them a chance to rest.

The former hostages said they planned their escape while discussing the worsening crisis in Basrain in northern Kuwait, where they were employed on an engineering project.

They provided scant details but it was believed they were picked up by a Japanese vessel and transferred to a Saudi Coast Guard vessel before being taken to this town on the Kuwaiti border.

Barkworth is a sea captatin, Teesdale and Manning officials of a marine loading company.

Manning and the others said there were Americans where they had been staying but they declined to provide any specifics. 'We know of some information that will be passed on. They're OK,'' said Manning.

''We felt we were more at risk staying there,'' said Barkworth, discussing how they decided to dash for freedom under the guise of a fishing trip.

At the border town, officials said as many as 200 Kuwaitis a day are reaching Saudi Arabia, their cars searched thoroughly for explosives and weapons. Most were women and children and older men, said an official who asked not to be named.

Their passports and other papers were seized by the Iraqis, the official said, adding that it appeared many young Kuwaiti men remained in hiding rather than risk being picked up on a public trip to the border.

Other sources confirmed that linguists at the border were talking to those who presented themselves as Kuwait refugees to guard against infiltration by Iraqi terrorists.

The refugees were given 2,000 Saudi rials, approximately $555, and provided with temporary housing until they could get settled in other Saudi towns.

Additionally, the official said two Iraqi officers, a captain and a lieutenant defected Wedneday night.

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DUMFRIES, Scotland (OCT. 4) UPI - Scots, testifying at an inquiry Thursday, recalled the night a jumbo jet crashed onto their town like ''a miniature atomic bomb'' - raining fire onto their homes and killing 11 of their neighbors.

They recounted how they heard a sound like rumbling thunder, a shrill whistle, then felt an explosion that shook their homes.

They described watching debris fall from the sky, and streets, gardens and rooftops ablaze with splattered aviation fuel.

They told of an orange mushroom cloud that rose into the night sky high above Lockerbie.

One woman said she felt a weak pulse in the wrist of a young woman who had fallen 31,000 feet to Earth near the cockpit of the Pan Am jet. But life quickly slipped out of her, as her rings glinted in the beam of a flashlight.

A common thread ran through the stories - shock and puzzlement over what had happened, a first impression that two military jets had collided, and the gradual realization that a passenger jet had crashed onto their town.

Although witnesses' accounts of the disaster have been told and re- told many times in the past 21 months, their stories repeated in a hushed courtroom had lost none of their dramatic effect.

They were testifying at a Scottish inquiry into the terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103, in which 270 people died, including 11 people on the ground. The inquiry resumes Monday.

John Smith, 76, was one of a string of witnesses from Lockerbie who gave graphic accounts of the nightmarish scenes that shattered their town shortly after 7 p.m. Dec. 21, 1988.

The retired policeman, wearing gloves to protect his hands which are still affected by burns, told how he rescued his wife from their blazing home in Lockerbie's Sherwood Cresent, where the fuel-laden wings of the Boeing 747 fell.

Smith, walking with the aid of a cane, fitted his hearing aid before taking the oath and occasionally had to ask the lord advocate, who is leading evidence for the crown, to repeat his questions.

On the night of the disaster, Smith said he and his wife Janet were sitting in their living room waiting for ''Coronation Street,'' a popular soap opera, to start on television.

''I heard an airplane,'' he said, ''and I was just about to say 'This plane's very low' when something hit the roof. I didn't get the words out.

''Flames came from the ceiling right into the room. They spread from one end of the bungalow to the other. My head was badly burned and something - I don't know what - hit me and knocked me down.

''I tried to move it but couldn't. I didn't fancy getting burned so I tried harder and got it moved.''

Smith said he could not see his 75-year-old wife for the flames.

''I ran to try and get out the back door but I couldn't get out because of the flames. I then went to the back bedroom to see if I could get through the window but it was also in flames. I then went to the front door which was usually very hard to open but it opened just like that,'' he said.

''I went back to look for my wife but there was no reply when I shouted. I didn't know what to do. Then, there she was lying on the carpet ... she must have crawled a wee bit.''

Smith said he shouted to his wife to come out. ''She said 'I can't get up' but I told her to stay still and I would come and get her.''

He managed to get them out of their house to a garden wall, where a policeman and another man dragged them to safety.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Gold futures closed 160 to 200 points lower Thursday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	397.00	397.00	392.30	392.30	393.90
Dec	400.20	403.40	394.20	396.90	398.50
Feb	404.70	407.50	399.00	401.00	402.60
Apr	410.00	410.00	403.70	404.90	406.50
Jun	414.00	414.00	409.00	409.00	410.60
Aug	412.00	412.00	412.80	412.80	414.40
Oct	420.50	....	....	417.00	418.80
Dec	423.00	423.00	421.30	421.30	423.20
Feb	430.00	430.00	426.00	426.00	428.00
Apr	434.30	....	....	430.60	432.60
Jun	439.30	....	....	435.60	437.60
Aug	444.30	....	....	440.60	442.60

Open interest: 111,492 up 2,866.

Estimated sales: 42,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	367.37	220.66	134.94	20.89	311.40
Opening	367.24	220.76	134.99	20.83	311.28
11 a.m.	363.79	218.05	134.66	20.64	308.62
Noon	367.12	219.34	136.01	20.84	311.46
1 p.m.	369.43	220.30	136.31	21.05	313.34
2 p.m.	367.69	219.80	136.01	20.92	311.94
3 p.m.	367.26	219.06	135.87	20.94	311.61

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NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 4) UPI - The Republican-backed candidate for U.S. Senate

is withdrawing from Saturday's Louisiana primary to deny former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke a chance to force incumbent Democrat J. Bennett Johnston into a runoff, an aide said Thurday.

The aide said Republican nominee Ben Bagert, a state senator, would announce his withdrawal at a news conference later Thursday. Earlier in the day, Bagert canceled a scheduled campaign appearance and pulled all of his television and radio campaign spots.

Bagert's withdrawal marked a second blow to Duke's campaign in as many days. On Wednesday, eight Republican senators in Washington endorsed Johnston, saying Duke - a Louisiana state representative running as a Republican - appealed to racist and anti-Semitic sentiments and did not represent the GOP.

Duke, a former leader of the Knights of Ku Klux Klan who has also had ties in the past to neo-Nazi organizations, has focused his campaign on attacks on welfare recipients, affirmative action, taxes and the establishment.

Under Louisiana election law, all candidates - including those, like Duke, not nominated by their parties - run in the same primary. If any one gets a majority, the person is automatically elected to the Senate. If no candidate wins a majority, there is a runoff between the top two finishers.

Bagert had run a poor third in all polls taken on the race since early in the year. His decision to pull out followed the release of a new poll less than 48 hours before the open primary that showed Bagert had no chance of making the runoff.

The poll released by Mason-Dixon Research in Baton Rouge showed Johnston with 53 percent, Duke with 26 percent and Bagert with 8 percent.

Under Louisiana's system, a runoff in November is mandated if no candidate takes more than 50 percent of the vote in the primary.

The Bagert campaign never got off the ground following his nomination by the GOP in January. In recent weeks, at least two top campaign aides quit, saying Bagert owed them money and that he had no chance to win.

Bagert also suffered a withdrawal of support from the Republican National Committee, which cut off funds.

The most recent campaign finance reports showed the Bagert campaign owed about $100,000 through Sept. 16, while Johnston, who already has spent $3.2 million, had another $1.7 million to spend. Duke, who has raised and spent almost $2 million this year, had $35,000 left.

In recent weeks, Bagert has run television commercials showing him meeting personally with President Bush in Washington and accepting the president's

support for his candidacy.

In a radio interview, Duke said he would get 98 percent of the Bagert vote if the state senator withdrew and that he could beat Johnston in a head-to-head race.

''My polls show me running even with Bennett Johnston now,'' Duke said. ''I think we have a chance to win in the first primary... I've become the Republican candidate in this race.''

New Orleans pollster Silas Lee discounted the prediction, saying that - without Bagert in the race - Johnston was a shoo-in.

Secretary of State Fox McKiethen said that absentee votes for a candidate who has dropped out and any votes for him on election day would not be counted in the official results.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday unchanged to 7 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.63	9.92	9.63	9.82	9.82
May	9.70	9.95	9.70	9.91	9.85
Jly	9.71	9.93	9.71	9.91	9.85
Oct	9.75	10.00	9.75	9.96	9.89

Estimated sales: 18,880 contracts

Open interest: 106,313 up 3,432

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.87

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday unchanged to 7 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.40	23.43	23.32	23.42	23.43
Jan	23.15	23.15	23.05	23.15	23.15
Mar	23.10	23.10	23.05	23.11	23.15
May	23.23	23.23	23.15	23.20	23.23
Jly	23.24	23.24	23.18	23.20	23.24
Sep	23.20	23.20	23.15	23.18	23.21
Nov	22.90	22.90	22.87	22.87	22.94

Estimated sales: 1,131 contracts

Open interest: 11,396 up 215

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - Federal prosecutors said Thursday they have demanded documents and written explanations from the oil industry as part of a widening Justice Department investigation into recent gasoline price increases.

The department's Antitrust Division launched the inquiry Aug. 6 to determine if price-fixing or other antitrust violations played a part in sharp price increases at the gas pump following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait.

Justice Department investigators already have questioned several top executives from oil companies, officials said, adding that the oil industry has cooperated in the probe so far.

''That phase of the investigation developed substantial information about the nature of crude oil and gasoline markets and how they behaved in the wake of the Aug. 2 invasion,'' said Assistant Attorney General James Rill, head of the Antitrust Division. ''It also provided us with an opportunity to have the parties explain the factors that caused them to raise gasoline prices.''

Earl Ross, spokesman for the American Petroleum Institute, an industry group, noted a similar inquiry by the Energy Department on an upswing in heating oil prices last winter found no evidence of collusion.

''While we are not privy to the pricing decisons of oil companies or the thousands of gasoline distributors and service operators, the American Petroleum Institute believes that a fair and impartial investigation of recent increases in the prices of crude oil and its products will reveal that a free market was at work,'' Ross said.

The department declined to name the companies or detail the nature of the information requested. But Rill said the subpoenas were issued to ''major oil companies and independent refiners and marketers of gasoline.''

The subpoenas should enable investigators to scrutinize oil industry explanations of the price hikes and to address some unanswered questions, Rill said.

Although the loss of oil production from Iraq and Kuwait largely has been offset by other producers, speculation has driven the price of oil up on world markets. However, that higher-priced oil was not used to make the gasoline Americans were paying more for last month.

The American Automobile Association said Tuesday the average price of gasoline is now 27.1 cents a gallon higher than Aug. 1, the day before Iraq invaded Kuwait. AAA said the average price of a gallon of regular gasoline - $1.346 a gallon - is at its highest level since Thanksgiving 1981.

''We aggressively will pursue this investigation until we determine whether or not violations of antitrust law contributed to the rise in gasoline prices,'' Rill said.

Antitrust investigators will continue to interview industry officials and collect information on oil prices and supplies, Rill said. The Federal Trade Commission, the Department of Energy and state prosecutors are assisting in the investigation.

The high profile inquiry is in contrast to usual Justice Department policy not to comment on pending investigations and comes in the wake of appeals to the oil industry by President Bush to refrain from taking advantage of the Persian Gulf crisis through speculation or price gouging.

In an effort to calm oil markets, Bush last week authorized a test witdrawal from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, the nation's 590 million-barrel crude oil nest egg created following the oil shortages of the 1970s.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Philippine President Aquino promises to ''crush'' the seventh coup attempt against her. A renegade army colonel leads a group of rebels that proclaims independence for the mineral and timber- rich area of Mindanao, 500 miles south of Manila. U-S Ambassador Nicholas Platt has issued a statement in Manila of full support for Aquino, who has survived every previous attempt to overthrow her government.

NASA reportedly is looking at what could become another problem for the trouble-plagued shuttle Atlantis. Sources who asked NOT to be identified report that a nine-foot, 70-pound bright yellow ''access beam'' was accidentally left in the Atlantis engine room. It apparently fell through the cramped area when cranes lifted the Atlantis into an upright position yesterday. Engineers heard at least three distinct ''thuds'' at the time and are now checking for possible damage.

A total of 95 community coalitions in 36 states and the District of Columbia will share in 42-Million dollars worth of drug abuse funds released by the Bush administration today. Drug Policy Director William Bennett reports that the grants range in size from 109-thousand to 980- thousand dollars. They run for 15 months but can be renewed for up to five years.

Storm warnings fly in the northeast Caribbean as tropical storm Klaus continues moving toward the northwest. Forecasters in Miami say Klaus has the potential for dumping 10 to 15 inches of rain on anything in its path. Storms of another type plowed through the Midwest late yesterday, pushing along 63-mile-an-hour winds that knocked out power to 15- thousand homes in the

Chicago area. Most of the power has since been restored.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 4) UPI - The Communist Party newspaper Pravda blamed the rise of democracy for the country's economic crisis Thursday and compared Mikhail Gorbachev's perestroika drive with the ''failed'' reforms of Nikita Khrushchev.

In a hard-hitting article that recalled its conservative style of the pre-glasnost era, Pravda lambasted the popularly elected radical politicians who have taken power in the Baltics, the Russian Federation and in Moscow and Leningrad, the nation's two largest cities.

Pravda also reported that its readers, in their letters to the newspaper, say they are very worried about the direction of the Soviet Union.

''One does not need to be clairvoyant to see that there is a real mess in the whole country,'' the newspaper said.

''The new people who have come to power appear to be unprepared for routine practical work,'' it said.

The article was the latest salvo in the battle between radicals who want the Soviet Union to move quickly to a market economy and transfer most power to local authorities, and conservatives trying to stem the central government's crumbling authority.

The bitter tract also reflected the growing conflict between Communist and anti-Communist forces, in which radicals such as Russian leader Boris Yeltsin, Moscow Mayor Gavriil Popov and Anatoly Sobchak have quit the party and relied on popular support for their political strength.

Pravda ridiculed the ''loud-mouthed promises of deputies who have laid claim to the role of 'real democrats' with pledges of positive change the moment they have power.''

The newspaper decried the recent bread shortages in Moscow and the absence of cigarettes that caused riots in a number of cities, saying that radical leaders engaged in abstract political debate instead of solving actual problems.

''No matter how wise the professors' heads are, citizens are not waiting just for promises, but for concrete deeds,'' it said.

Though still less daring than other newspapers that have flourished under Gorbachev's glasnost policy, Pravda has become livelier and shed some of its dogmatism since last November when the president replaced its former

conservative editor with Ivan Frolov, a moderate and a Gorbachev ally.

But the article Thursday raised the specter of Nikita Khrushchev, the Soviet leader deposed in 1964 in a conservative backlash against his reform policies.

''Why in our state must one pay for every gulp of freedom with a loaf of bread?'' Pravda asked. ''Remember: There was a similar situation in the early 1960s ... when the reforms of Nikita Khrushchev failed because the administrative-command system crushed them.''

In a swipe at Popov, an influential economist before his election as Moscow mayor, Pravda accused ''some of the most respected economists'' of cowtowing to public opinion and ''not wanting to appear unpopular.''

The newspaper mocked the Russian republic's declaration of sovereignty, passed in June under Yeltsin's new leadership, saying that local governments are now rebelling against the federation's authority in a further decentralization of power.

''The democratic deputies are experiencing the consequences of their own actions,'' it said.

The Soviet Parliament gave Gorbachev new powers last week allowing him to impose economic measures and take other steps through presidential decree.

Pravda, however, said that ''at present the power of the center has become more consultative than commanding, and even presidential decrees are not always fulfilled.''

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CHICAGO (OCT. 4) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.60-2.65 up 6.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.09- 6.17 off 2 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.18-2.30 up 1.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.30-2.35 up 1 to 2.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - A published report says one of two publicly identified suspects in the killing of five college students in Gainesville, Florida, has

been ruled out by investigators. The report says Stephen Michael Bates was dropped from a list of suspects after blood and hair samples and a search of his Lakeland home failed to turn up any links to the slayings.

Italy's foreign minister says the two remaining Italian diplomats in Kuwait will be forced to leave their Embassy ''within the next few hours or days.'' He says the diplomats have run out of food and water and Iraqi troops have the building sealed off. Italy and other Western countries have defied orders issued by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to close their embassies in Kuwait.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Two days after unveiling a massive $1.8 billion anti-crime plan, Mayor David Dinkins Thursday ordered an immediate hiring and promotion freeze and directed budget aides to draft a plan to lay off 15,000 city employees.

If enacted, the layoffs would be the biggest since the fiscal crisis of 1975, when the city hovered near bankruptcy. Some 25,000-27,000 city employees were let go at that time. There have not been any significant layoffs since.

The police hiring plan, which calls for adding nearly 8,000 officers to the force, would be exempt, however. The anti-crime program would be paid for through a host of new taxes.

The mayor said the city faces at least a $1.4 billion budget deficit in the next city fiscal year, which begins July 1, because of an accelerating decline in the local economy.

He said the freeze and the layoffs could cut $915 million from that deficit.

''With hard times come hard choices. If we are to maintain budgetary balance, decisive actions and the difficult consequences they bring are absolutely essential,'' Dinkins said.

''We all hope and pray for better economic times. Until they arrive, however, I will continue to impose strict budgetary discipline.''

The mayor's announcement came near the end of a week in which he unveiled the comprehensive anti-crime plan and announced a settlement with the city teachers' union calling for 5.5 percent wage hikes, of which the city will pay 1.5 percent.

Dinkins said city tax collection data reported this week for economically sensitive taxes showed city revenues are continuing to fall sharply.

The tax revenues for the first quarter of the current fiscal year, which began

July 1, were about $152 million below plan.

Dinkins said the hiring and promotion freeze would save the city some $115 million - $35 million over the rest of the current fiscal year and $80 million in the next fiscal year.

The mayor ordered all agency heads not to approve any pay raises and to restrict promotions only to positions that have recently been vacated.

The only positions exempted will be those mandated by state or federal law, those necessary to protect the health and safety of New Yorkers, those that produce revenue or avoid costs and those funded by non-city revenues.

The new police hirings called for in the anti-crime plan will be exempt.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $18 to $22 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.45 cent to 1.00 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.15 to 0.65 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - unchanged to 0.63 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.60 to $2.00 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $2.50 to $2.70 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.05 cent higher to 0.40 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 2.2 to 2.3 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - unchanged to 0.007 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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WARSAW, POLAND (OCT. 4) UPI - Poland, struggling to make up a shortfall from Iraqi contracts canceled by the Persian Gulf crisis, announced Thursday it

will buy half a million tons of oil from Iran.

Marcin Swiecicki, minister for economic cooperation who returned Thursday from a visit to Tehran, said the deal also assures Poland of up to 3 million tons of oil in 1990. A ton is approximately 7 barrels.

Poland, Czechoslovakia and other former East Bloc countries are scrambling to come up with new oil sources following the twin blows of the Gulf crisis and the Soviet Union's decision to curtail its deliveries to former satellites.

Moscow will also demand payment for its oil in hard currency at world prices as of Jan. 1. It has provided its former satellites with oil at subsidized rates.

In Budapest, a scheduled meeting this weekend of finance ministers from Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Poland to work out a joint stance on seeking new oil sources was unexpectedly canceled.

In Prague, Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel called for an emergency weekend summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev because he said a one-third cutback in Soviet oil deliveries threatens the Czech economy.

The price to Poland of oil in the new contracts with Iran will be $33 to $35 a barrel - 80 percent more than it paid for Middle East oil before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait and the Aug. 6 embargo of exports from the two Gulf nations.

Poland estimates it could lose up to $12 billion in the next five years as a result of the embargo, while Hungary says that besides oil losses, a $100 million Kuwaiti investment project had to be scrapped.

Swiecicki said he discussed the possibility with Iranian officials of paying with Polish machines and equipment. He said he did not discuss the possible sale of arms but did not exclude it.

''During talks with the Iranian side we were assured about the possibility of buying next year between 2.5 and 3 million tons of oil,'' Swiecicki told the Polish news agency PAP.

The higher oil prices are a critical economic blow, since Poland and other former East Bloc states are going through the painful process of adjusting their centrally planned economies for the rigors of the open market.

Moscow's former allies are concerned the Soviets might divert supplies that had traditionally gone to Eastern Europe to Western customers with ready hard cash.

Talks between Polish and Soviet officials in Moscow last month over the oil

question yielded no results.

''Currently we are not able to say how much oil we will be able to import to Poland for hard currency next year,'' said Marian Malecki, managing director of the Polish foreign trade enterprise Ciech. ''It is also unclear whether the Soviet Union will meet this year's contracts.''

Moscow is already behind in its 1990 oil deliveries to Poland by 2.7 million tons. Polish officials say there is little hope of making up those shortfalls.

Amid panic buying at Prague gas stations, Czechoslovak Prime Minister Marian Calfa met with the Soviet ambassador to tell him Czechoslovakia is no longer receiving from Moscow even the minimum daily supply of 33, 000 tons of oil necessary to keep oil-processing plants in operation.

The Soviet Union now supplies 20,000 tons to 22,000 tons of oil daily and sometimes even less.

''There are certain hints that the situation might even worsen, which could bring about extraordinarily dangerous economic consequences on an international scale,'' the Czechoslovak news agency CTK said.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Japanese Premier Toshiki Kaifu met Thursday with Iraqi Deputy Premier Taha Yassin Ramadan in Amman, Jordan, to appeal for Iraq to leave Kuwait, but no breakthrough was reported.

Also a Soviet envoy flew to Baghdad to seek the release of thousands of Soviets from Iraq.

Before leaving for Turkey, Kaifu met with Jordan's King Hussein and told him that Japan would reward Jordan for adhering to U.N. sanctions against Iraq with a loan of $100 million and an additional $150 million in aid.

A spokesman for Kaifu said the premier renewed the U.N. demand that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait, restore the former government and free all foreign hostages. He said Kaifu made it clear that only when those conditions were met could ''fruitful negotiations for peace follow.''

During the meeting, Ramadan reiterated Baghdad's position on the crisis, acknowledged ''differences'' between the two sides and ''expressed appreciation to continue the dialogue with Japan,'' a Kaifu spokesman said.

Ramadan told Kaifu that Iraq rejects any dialogue to resolve the 2- month-old Persian Gulf crisis while the U.S.-led multinational force remains in the region, said a spokesman for the Jordanian Royal Court.

''The military escalation in the region and the speed with which the U.N. Security Council blocked the road for a peaceful solution to the gulf crisis raises the war atmosphere,'' the Jordanian spokesman quoted Ramadan as saying.

Ramadan made no offer to obey U.N. resolutions and withdraw from Kuwait, stating simply that ''war would be a catastrophe for humanity.''

Ramadan expressed interest in French President Francois Mitterrand's proposal last week for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait, the restoration of an elected Kuwaiti government and an international peace conference to solve all conflicts in the Middle East.

Mitterrand left the Rea Sea port of Jeddah Thursday after concluding talks with Saudi King Fahd and other senior officials. Riyadh Radio reported that Mitterrand, who spent the night on a French warship off the United Arab Emirates coast for fear of terrorist attack, met at sea earlier Thursday with French military commanders.

Mitterrand then went to Jeddah for talks with Fahd. The French president was scheduled to inspect the Foreign Legion and other French troops stationed in Saudi Arabia as part of the multinational response to Iraq's Aug. 2 takeover of Kuwait.

In Paris, nine French hostages arrived home from Amman after being released by Iraq. Baghdad has offered to release all 350 French hostages in Iraq and Kuwait if a senior French politician visits Iraq.

Also, two French and three British citizens being held in northern Kuwait managed to escape aboard an inflatable dinghy. The group dodged Iraqi naval patrols, mine fields and a choppy sea to arrive in Saudi Arabia.

Gorbachev's envoy, Yevgeny Primakov, arrived in Baghdad from Amman Thursday after talks in the Jordanian capital with King Hussein and Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat, Amman Radio and the official Tass news agency reported.

While Primakov was in Baghdad, Tass quoted Gorbachev as saying he was sure the United Nations would avert a war in the gulf.

Tass said Primakov met with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz but it was not immediately clear if the Soviet Mideast expert would also meet Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

Amman Radio said one of the aims of Primakov's visit to Baghdad was to secure the release from Iraqi custody of some 5,000 Soviet trade and industry representatives, as well as a smaller number of Soviet military experts, from Iraq.

In New York, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said Primakov is to ''arrange normal conditions for the withdrawal of Soviet citizens'' from Iraq. He said ''some problems and difficulties'' arose among the 5,000 Soviets, including 150 military personnel and several hundred civilian advisers to the Iraqi army.

In Egypt, security services continued their investigations of pro- Iraqi terror squads and among those arrested this week were followers of Abu Nidal, the world's most-wanted Palestinian terrorist.

In a speech to his nation, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak warned Egyptians against aiding Iraqi terrorists and said they risked dire consequences for such actions.

In other developments:

-In Rome, Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis said Italy's two remaining diplomats in Kuwait will be forced to leave their embassy ''within the next few hours or days'' because they have run out of food and water and Iraqi troops have sealed it off.

-In New York, the Saudi foreign minister, Prince Saud Al-Faysal, and Shevardnadze met at the Soviet Embassy to discuss strengthening international efforts to impose U.N. Security Council resolutions on the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

-Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke said in a Radio Australia broadcast aired in the Middle East that his government is prepared to help about 80 Australians detained in Kuwait and Iraq with cash and other aid.

-Iraqi bodybuilders have been banned from competing in the World Bodybuilding Championship in Kuala Lumpur Oct. 24-31. Iraq was earlier banned from the Asian Games in Beijing for its invasion of Kuwait.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 4) UPI - Despite its serious optical flaws, the Hubble Space Telescope has taken the clearest picture ever of mysterious Pluto and snapped a spectacular image of the ringed planet Saturn, astronomers announced Thursday.

The $1.5 billion telescope also has collected a variety of new images of galaxies, comets, stars and other celestial bodies that have provided tantalizing clues to such cosmological phenomena as enigmatic quasars and light-sapping black holes, scientists said.

Although none of the images has produced any major new discoveries, the work has elated astronomers, who earlier had expressed pessimism the flawed instrument would be capable of world-class science because of its inability to bring starlight to a sharp focus.

''The pictures, to me, already demonstrate an enormous potential for discovery with the space telescope as it is now,'' said Riccardo Giacconi, director of the Space Telescope Science Institute, which is in charge of doing research with the telescope.

''These observations give us a very good indication of the type of science we can carry out. We will do world-class science for years to come,'' he said at the first workshop held for reporters to discuss the telescope since its defect was discovered in April.

Previous images taken from Earth show Pluto, the ninth planet from the sun, and its moon, Charon, as overlapping blobs of light. The Hubble image shows two clearly distinct spheres.

Unlike other planets in Earth's solar system, the frigid, distant Pluto, located about 3.6 billion miles from the sun, has never been visited by any robot probes.

Previous pictures of Saturn taken by passing spacecraft have been more spectacular, but the Hubble image released Thursday is easily the best shot ever taken from the vicinity of Earth.

The image is so encouraging, Giaconni said he would grant excited astronomers' request to take more pictures of Saturn to study a rare white mark visible on its surface.

''It's the old 'a picture's worth 10,000 words.' I was personally shocked it was that good. I couldn't believe it,'' said NASA astronomer Edward Weiler.

''After two months of reading about the broken Hubble and having your neighbors give you sympathy for working on the Hubble, seeing a picture like that sort of shocks you,'' he said.

The $1.5 billion telescope was expected to revolutionize astronomy by using highly advanced instruments to peer more deeply into the cosmos than ever before from high above Earth's atmosphere.

But about a month after the telescope was placed into orbit in April, NASA discovered one of the telescope's supposedly perfect mirrors was shaped slightly incorrectly, preventing the telescope from focusing starlight sharply.

The embarrassing blunder set off a storm of criticism of NASA that was fueled by a series of hydrogen leaks that have grounded the space shuttle fleet since

April.

NASA has stressed the telescope can do valuable research until the defect is corrected when one of the telescope's cameras is replaced in 1993.

While astronomers repeatedly stressed that the new images are inferior to what they had hoped to get from Hubble, the scientists said the pictures showed the telescope could still had unprecedented power and many images could be improved through computer processing.

In addition to the pictures of Pluto and Saturn, astronomers released images of a section of a so-called ''globular cluster'' named M14 where scientists had expected to find a nova. The detailed Hubble image, however, failed to detect a nova.

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#90277u1511 10/04/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - The Bush administration began its sales campaign Wednesday for an agreement on reducing conventional forces in Europe by showing that the Soviets will have to destroy vastly more weapons than the Western powers.

President Bush, hailing the agreement, said, ''As Europe is transformed politically, we must also redraw the military map of the continent and lift some of the shadows and fear that we and our allies have lived with for nearly half a century.''

Assuming that NATO and what is left of the shattered Warsaw Pact approve the agreement negotiated over the past 20 months, which is regarded as a near-certainty, the treaty would result in the destruction of tens of thousands of weapons, mostly Soviet.

Some of those figures were confirmed officially by Secretary of State James Baker, who finished off the so-called CFE negotiations Tuesday in 5 1/2 hours of talks in New York with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

Baker gave reporters at the White House these details:

-Each side will be limited to 20,000 tanks in Euorpe, meaning the Soviet Union and its former allies will have to junk tens of thousands of them, a process that has already begun.

-Each side will have to reduce to 20,000 pieces of artillery, a move that also has begun.

-The Soviets and former allies will have to junk thousands of armored combat vehicles or armored personnel carriers to meet a new limit of 30, 000 for each

side.

-Although each side will be limited to 2,000 helicopters, there is an unsettled issue about whether a troop-carrier helicopter will count the same as a helicopter gunship and, if not, how inspectors would make sure that rocketpods are not strapped on a troop-carrier, in effect transforming it into a gunship.

-Baker did not give figures for combat aircraft, but officials said the total number will be about 6,700 for each side, meaning some obsolete aircraft will be junked or sold off.

-In a complex but bitterly contested part of the agreement, the Soviet Union will be permitted to have a maximum of about 33.6 percent of the total weapons in any category located in Central Europe. The paragraph means the Soviets will not be able to build up in order to replace the East German, Czech or Hungarian forces that are eliminated.

Baker addressed only obliquely a conspicuous gap in the treaty - manpower.

In February, he and Shevardnadze agreed that both NATO and the Warsaw Pact would be permitted to have 195,000 troops each in the central part of Europe, with the United States permitted to have another 30,000 in Europe outside that central zone.

But since that agreement, the disintegration of the Warsaw Pact has accelerated and it is now clear that 195,000 is an unrealistically high figure for the number of troops the Soviets could put into action in Eastern Europe.

''It is clear,'' Baker said two months ago, ''events have outpaced the negotiations.''

Baker said Wednesday the number of troops will be dealt with in later negotiations, rather than delay the signing of the first phase, which will permit the heads of government of the 34 nations of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe to meet in Paris in mid-November.

It is expected the number of troops will be at least 40,000 below the 195,000 negotiated eight months ago.

Baker said the treaty was important, even if it simply confirmed the spontaneous disarmament that is taking place in the post-Cold War period. He pointed to the intrusive inspection procedures, which will mean hundreds of inspectors, from 22 nations, poking through all of Europe to make sure there is no unsuspected build-up.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1086.0
Wednesday	1081.9
Week ago	1087.6
Month ago	1110.4
Year ago	1107.5
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (OCT. 4) UPI - A member of Yugoslavia's collective presidency Thursday launched an initiative to avert possible civil war, but anti-Serbian sentiments ran high at an emergency Croatian Assembly meeting.

As assembly members heatedly debated growing unrest in Serbian- dominated towns in Croatia, a Croatian deputy hurled a brief case at a Serbian colleague. Members of the ruling Croatian Democratic Union members reiterated charges that Serbia's Communist regime is stirring up Croatia's 600,000 minority Serbs.

''The Socialist Party of Serbia and its leader, Slobodan Milosevic, are the strategists of the unrest in Croatia,'' declared the assembly vice president, Vladimir Seks, who accused Yugoslav President Borisav Jovic, the Serbian representative and chairman of the eight-man federal presidency, of complicity.

Stipe Mesic, shortly to be sworn in as the Croatian member of the presidency, said Milosevic was whipping up Serbian nationalism in order to capture votes in the Dec. 9 multi-party elections for Serbia's Assembly, the first since 1945.

Elsewhere in the Croatian capital of Zagreb, 250 miles west of Belgrade, Vasil Tupurkovski, the Macedonian member of the presidency, opened a new political initiative with talks with Croatian President Franjo Tudjman and other senior officials.

Tupurkovski was appointed by the presidency to assess the situation in Croatia and prepare propoals for resolving Serbian-Croatian tensions that many Yugoslav and foreign observers fear might lead to civil war.

After meeting with municipal officials in Petrinja, a town 30 miles southwest of Zagreb that was the first of five Serbian-dominated towns torn by clashes between Croatian police and Serbs, Tupurkovski said he found ''no differences'' between Serbian and Croatian officials in the town.

''I am a slightly bigger optimist now than I was before coming to Petrinja,'' he said.

The initiative was prompted by three days of clashes between Serbs and police in five Serbian-dominated towns in Croatia, home to most of Yugoslavia's 4.6 million Roman Catholic Croats. The unrest triggered calls for retaliation and anti-Croatian protests in Serbia, where the bulk of the 8.5 million-strong Orthodox Serbian majority resides.

The riots erupted Friday after Croatian police moved to transfer to central armories police reservist weapons, unleashing pent-up fears among Serbs of Tudjman's nationalist regime that have been fanned for months by Serbian politicians, particularly Serbia's ruling Communists.

Serbs have also been alarmed by provocative anti-Serbian rhetoric by Tudjman's party, which is advocating the conversion of the loose Yugoslav federation of six republics of 23 million people into a confederation of independent states.

The confederation plan is supported by other minorities, who fear domination by majority Serbs because of the breakdown earlier this year of strong national Communist rule. Serbia's Communists advocate a federal system, in the absense of which they plan to claim Serbian areas now outside their borders.

The emergency Croatian Assembly session approved an agenda that included a proposal to impress on the federal government the need for an agreement on the future shape of Yugoslavia.

The legislature defeated militant proposals to declare Croatian independence and give the republic's laws primacy over statutes of the federal government, whose power has been dwindling because of the demise of the national Communist Party.

Meanwhile, the area around the Serbian-dominated town of Knin, 310 miles southwest of Belgrade, remained cut off from the rest of Croatia for a fourth day by road and rail blockades manned by armed Serbian vigilantes.

The barricades were erected after the Knin-based Serbian National Council declared autonomy for Croatia's Serbs because of alleged ''state terror'' and said it was assuming political control of Serbian enclaves.

The official Yugoslav news agency, Tanjug, reported that a pastry shop in Knin owned by an ethnic Albanian was damaged overnight by explosives in a fresh outburst of ethnic hatred. There were no injuries in the blast.

Serbs have been in dispute for years with ethnic Albanians over the future of Serbia's province of Kosovo. Serbs, of whom there are 200,000 in Kosovo, regard the province as the ''cradle'' of their Orthodox religion and culture. The 1.7 million-strong Albanian majority claims discrimination by Serbia.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	63	up 1
AT&T Company	32 1-4	up 3-4
BCE Inc	31	up 1-8
Bell Atlantic	48 1-8	up 1-8
BellSouth Corp	52 5-8	up 3-8
Exxon Corp	50 3-8	up 3-4
Ford Motor Co	32	off 1-4
Genl Electric	54 3-8	off 1-8
General Motors	36 1-8	up 3-4
GTE Corp	27 7-8	up 3-8
IBM Corp	107 3-4	up 3-8
Mobil Oil Corp	62 3-8	up 1-2
Nynex Corp	71 3-4	up 1-8
Pac Gas & Elec	22 3-8	up 3-8
Pacific Telesis	43	up 1-8
Phila Electric	15 7-8	up 1-4
Sears Roebuck	26	up 5-8
Southern Co	24 7-8	up 5-8
Sthwestern Bell	53 1-2	off 7-8
US West Inc	36	up 3-4

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AMMAN, Jordan (OCT. 4) UPI - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu left for Turkey on Thursday after granting Jordan $100 million in an immediate emergency loan to alleviate its losses from the U.N.-imposed sanctions on Iraq Jordan's main trading partner.

Kaifu spokesman Shigeo Takenaka told reporters that after discussions with Jordanian Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Kaifu announced that Japan would grant Jordan $100 million in loans with a 1 percent interest rate to be repayed after 30 years.

He added that Jordan would also receive $150 million in soft loans for trade and industry purposes. This amount was part of a $1.4 billion allocation Japan had for Egypt, Jordan and Turkey - the three countries considered to be the hardest financially hit from the sanctions imposed on Iraq.

Egypt was granted $400 million during Kaifu's visit to Cairo before his arrival in Amman on Wednesday.

The Japanese spokesman said that his country was considering to provide Jordan with more aid, ''considering the effect on Jordan from sanctions on Iraq and in cooperation with other donor countries.''

There was some confusion over whether the $150 million was part of a deal Japan made with the small economically troubled kingdom in 1988 in which Jordan was granted $300 million. Japan still owed Jordan $90 million, which, according to a Japanese expert accompanying Kaifu, was part of the $150 million. This could not be confirmed, but if true, Japan would be granting Jordan only $60 million out of the allocated $1.4 billion for the three ''frontline'' countries with the gulf.

Kaifu's spokesman said that the conditions for the soft loans were not yet set but stressed that Jordan would receive this amount ''if Jordan complied with the embargo on Iraq.''

Jordan had repeatedly said it complied with a U.N. Security Council resolution that imposed trade sanctions on Iraq and stands to lose 50 percent of its national income as a result of this compliance.

The kingdom's national debt lies at $8.2 billion and is currently facing thousands of refugees pouring in from Kuwait and Iraq. It has appealed for international help to shoulder the financing of the refugees and their repatriation.

Japan said it contributed $22 million to the United Nations for the tens of thousands of refugees who stay in camps in Jordan until they are repatriated.

Kaifu was in Jordan as part of a five-state Middle East tour that also took him to Egypt, and in addition to Turkey, will visit Saudi Arabia and Oman.

Kaifu met with Jordan's King Hussein and the crown prince, but no details were available on their meeting.

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ASHEVILLE, N.C. (OCT. 4) UPI - A just-condemned killer wants his execution by lethal injection scheduled as soon as possible, saying he does not want to languish on death row.

''Let's get it over with,'' Zane Hill told the Asheville Citizen, referring to the death penalty sentence he received Monday for killing his son.

During an interview at the Buncombe County Jail, the father of three said he is ready to die for murdering his second oldest son, Randy Hill, on Jan. 10.

''I don't think they should have given (the death sentence) to me to start with, but since they did, I'd just as soon get it over with,'' he said.

''I'm 54 years old and I don't want sit on death row for 20 years,'' he said.

Hill's sentence is subject to automatic review by the state Supreme Court. The court could decide to reduce Hill's sentence to life in prison, state officials said Thursday.

Joan Byers, an assistant state attorney general, said the review is required by law and nobody, not even Hill, can waive it.

''It could take one to three years for his first appeal,'' Byers said.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 4) UPI - The Chicago Bulls Thursday signed unrestricted free agent Cliff Levingston to a two-year contract, adding some much-needed veteran bench help to their roster.

Levingston, a 6-foot-8, 220-pound forward entering his ninth NBA season, reportedly agreed to a complex deal that will pay him about $2.1 million, although only $1.1 million is guaranteed.

''We are happy to have Cliff in the fold,'' said Bulls vice president of basketball operations Jerry Krause, who negotiated with Levingston's agent for much of the summer. ''He gives our club another veteran seasoned playoff performer. He also adds solid defense, rebounding and speed at two positions.''

Levingston, 29, averaged 6.9 points and 4.3 rebounds last season with the Atlanta Hawks, for whom he played the past eight seasons. He has averaged 8.3 points and 6.1 rebounds for his career.

The Bulls, defeated in the Eastern Conference finals each of the last two years by the Detroit Pistons, added guard Dennis Hopson earlier to spell Michael Jordan. They were badly in need of a quality reserve player to back up small forward Scottie Pippen. Levingston, who fits right in with the Bulls' transition game, also can sub for power forward Horace Grant.

Levingston reportedly had been offered $4 million over four years by Atlanta, but he chose to test the free-agent market, which proved costly. The Hawks finally surrendered their rights to Levingston when they signed rookie Rumeal Robinson and had no room under their salary cap to deal with Levingston.

Levingston is expected to be in uniform Friday when the Bulls open training camp at the Deerfield Multiplex.

The Bulls made room for Levingston when they traded former first- round draft pick Jeff Sanders Tuesday to the Miami Heat.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2516.83	up	27.47
20 Trans	869.27	off	13.50
15 Utils	204.92	up	2.46
65 Stock	883.09	up	3.75

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - The Bush administration's proposed $7.3 billion arms sale to Saudi Arabia encountered sustained criticism at a Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearing Thursday, but the panel's chairman said he knew of no plans to block the deal.

Committee members said the sale could erode Israel's ''qualitative edge'' in Middle East weaponry and would not eliminate the need for U.S. troops to defend the Saudis against an Iraqi or Iranian attack.

Administration officials, repeating arguments they made Wednesday at a House hearing, agreed that Saudi Arabia would not be able to defend itself even if it buys the $7.3 billion in tanks and other high-tech U.S. weapons.

But Reginald Bartholomew, undersecretary of state for international security affairs, said the arms would enable the Saudis to perform a ''blocking function'' - slowing down an invading army until U.S. troops could arrive.

The administration originally planned to sell some $21 billion in weapons to Saudi Arabia. But following congressional criticism of the deal, it decided to sell $7.3 billion of arms now and the rest next year.

Congress was notified of the sale Sept. 27 and has 30 days from then to block all or parts of the deal. Despite the controversy over the package, Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., chairman of the comittee, said he was ''not aware'' of plans by senators to block any elements of the sale.

Congressional sources said it was more likely that any effort to block sales to Saudi Arabia would come during the second phase of the deal, expected to be announced in January.

During the hearing, Pell released a letter that he and 13 other senators sent to President Bush before the sale was announced asking him to postpone sales of weapons that could not be delivered in the ''near future'' for possible use

against Iraq, which invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

But included in the current package are 150 M-1A2 tanks that could not be delivered to Saudi Arabia until 1993 - an issue that prompted criticism in Senate hearing as it had the day before in the House.

''I am concerned that in the rush to move this package forward we are creating an irreparable shift in the balance of forces in the region,'' said Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., who has proposed leasing instead of selling arms to the Saudis. ''Let us not forget that Saudi Arabia is still in a state of declared war with Israel.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Thursday	2516.83	up	27.47	869.27	off	13.50	204.92	up	2.46
Wednesday	2489.36	off	15.84	882.77	off	12.02	202.46	off	0.32
Week ago	2427.48	off	32.17	828.03	off	18.49	198.69	off	1.13
Month ago	2596.29	off	31.93	892.20	off	5.54	198.25	off	0.19
Year ago	2773.56	up	2.47	1498.76	up	31.65	218.37	up	0.69
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2427.48			828.03			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said Thursday President Bush will let the Democratic-controlled Congress make unspecified changes in the bipartisan budget agreement in hopes of winning enough votes for congressional approval.

As a result of the Foley-Bush luncheon and the assurances it produced, Democrats decided to have the showdown vote later Thurday on the controversial budget plan, House Budget Committee Chairman Leon Panetta, D-Calif, said after a Democratic leadership meeting.

Leaders had earlier considered delaying the vote until Friday, fearful they still did not have enough votes to pass it.

Panetta said Bush's assurance to Democrats that Congress would have some leeway in changing parts of the budget plan helped convince previously opposed

or undecided Democrats to support the package.

Asked late Thursday afternoon if there were enough Republican votes to ensure passage, administration budget director Richard Darman said ''not yet.''

During a private White House lunch with Bush, Foley discussed a Democratic concern about how much flexibility Congress will have in changing the controversial five-year, $500 billion deficit reduction plan in the implementation stage, called ''reconciliation.''
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That stage, with an Oct. 19 deadline, would follow a showdown House floor vote scheduled either for later Thursday or Friday. Senate action is expected by Friday because Congress faces a Friday deadline for passing the budget plan. A temporary government funding bill expires then.

Asked if during the luncheon he sought from Bush flexibility to make more changes than the president would give, Foley said, ''No, certainly not.''

''I'm just saying that the president agrees with the bipartisan (congressional) leadership that the committees of juridiction have the responsibility to report this legislation and in doing so they have some flexibility,'' Foley told reporters afterwards.

While he said this was not a new understanding with the White House, its restatement was apparently needed Thursday to help win reluctant Democratic votes.

''One of the things that we also agreed on is that from the inception of this agreement we always recognized that in framing the legisaltive language of the reconcilation bill that the legislative committees would have some flexibility to achieve similar savings by alternative policies,'' he said.

Foley said he hoped the presidential assurances of unspecified flexibility would help produce additonal Democratic votes for the package, which was greeted by strong opposition from both parties because of its steep tax increases, Medicare cuts and other controversial provisions.

The five-year plan includes $134 billion in new gasoline, cigarette, alcohol, airline and other taxes and fees, $67 billion in defense cuts over three years limiting domestic spending increases to the rate of inflation, a $60 billion cut in Medicare and new tax breaks for investing in small companies.

Failure to adopt the deficit cutting package by Friday, and to pass separate implementing legislation by Oct. 19, would trigger up to $105.7 billion in automatic spending cuts required under the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law.

Those cuts, split between defense and domestic programs, would devastate

federal services from air traffic control to meat inspection and disease research.

Before Foley meeting with Bush, Democrats apparently did not have a majority of their 258 House members behind the plan. But Democratic leaders said they expected to have enough votes by the time the vote occurred.

Republicans also were said to be short of a majority of their 176 House members to back the plan. To help get that majority, 40-50 House members, mostly Republicans, went to the White House early Thursday to be lobbied personally by Bush.

Rep. Jerry Lewis, R-Calif., chairman of the House GOP Conference, said after that White Houe session that ''we're getting very close'' to a majority even though ''we are not there yet.''

A majority in each party in each house must vote to approve the plan to ensure passage. That will prevent one party from blaming the other for the politically painful parts of the agreement a month before November's congressional elections.

Democrats said their colleagues cheered when Foley pledged to talk to Bush about flexibility as he ended his remarks at the private party caucus.

Rep. Dennis Eckart, D-Ohio, said the two biggest Democratic concerns about the package are the proposed $60 billion cut in Medicare over five years and the new two-week waiting period for unemployment benefits to begin, instead of the current one-week wait.

Other Democrats are concerned about the tax equity issue because they feel the wealthiest Americans got off too cheaply, not having to pay their fair share of deficit reduction and getting a tax break for investments in small businesses to boot.

''What the (Democratic) caucus is trying to tell the leadership and the president is that the president's got to move (from) protecting the wealthiest Americans'' from paying their share toward deficit reduction, Rep. Sam Gejdenson, D-Conn., said in explaining why Democrats have been reluctant to back the budget plan.

''We're not going to cut $60 billion out of Medicare,'' Downey said. ''It's not going to happen. ... There are few things clearer in life.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday unchanged to 63 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	70.68	70.75	70.55	70.62	71.25
Dec	72.10	72.30	71.85	71.94	72.03
Mar	72.85	73.05	72.56	72.61	72.72
May	73.45	73.55	73.10	73.30	73.35
Jly	73.80	73.85	73.40	73.40	73.40
Oct	69.00	69.05	68.97	68.97	69.15
Dec	67.70	67.85	67.65	67.70	67.77

Estimated sales: 3,500 contracts
Open interest: 36,142 up 265
The World spot average: 69.17

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 145,410,000 shares
1990 to date - 30,407,587,482
Warrants - 718,700
1990 to date - 190,302,200

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#90277u1592 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 9,440,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,673,259,585
Bonds - $2,580,000
1990 to date - $548,554,000

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#90277u1596 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Thursday - $34,390,000
1990 to date - $8,475,740,000

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 4) UPI - Maryland's environment department has filed a lawsuit seeking the largest civil penalty in its history against Bethlehem Steel for alleged continued violation of air pollution laws, state officials said Thursday.

Officials said the suit filed in Baltimore County Circuit Court seeks more than $1 million in penalties for 107 alleged air pollution violations at the company's Sparrows Point plant.

The agency also is seeking $91,500 in administrative penalties for alleged failure to meet deadlines established in an amended 1989 consent order between Bethlehem Steel and the department.

''Since July 1988, (the department) has collected $1.2 million in penalties from Bethlehem Steel for numerous violations of Maryland's air pollution law '' said Environment Secretary Martin Walsh Jr.

''Since the amended consent order was signed, we have sought the maximum administrative penalty of $1,000 for each violation. To our disappointment, (the alleged violations) have continued,'' he said. ''For that reason, we have chosen to seek the maximum civil penalty of $10,000'' for each violation.

Walsh said the allegations in the suit concerned emissions from coke ovens, coke oven doors and the Basic Oxygen Furnace shop between April and June 1990.

Other alleged violations during the pushing of hot coke from coke ovens date back to October 1989, he said.

Bethlehem Steel spokesman Ted Baldwin said the company has not had a chance yet to review the state's allegations.

But Baldwin said the company currently is implementing a $92 million capital investment program to improve environmental controls, particularly at coke ovens.

The improvements should be completed in the next two or three years, he said.

The department and Bethlehem Steel signed a consent order in October 1987 and amended it in June 1989. The agreement detailed major capital projects designed to control emissions and established interim emission standards until the new controls were in place.

''The 1989 amended consent order reaffirmed Bethlehem Steel's commitment to cleaning up the Sparrows Point operation,'' Walsh said. ''That agreement was a milestone, but it does not free the company from its obligation to comply with Maryland's air pollution requirements and specific standards laid out in the consent order.''

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#90277u1613 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 4) UPI - The House is to vote this afternoon on the federal budget compromise, but House Speaker Thomas Foley says the vote might be delayed

until tomorrow. Earlier today, Foley told the House Democratic caucus that he would talk to the president about changing the package. It has drawn opposition from both sides of the aisle. .

Motorists leaned on their horns in front of the White House today in a shrill sign of protest against the proposed budget, which carries 134- BILLION dollars in new taxes. Four young men in business suits held up placards reading ''honk if you hate taxes''... and motorists responded with a chorus of blaring blasts. One member of a conservative group calling itself Americans Against Tax Hikes yelled- ''Make George Bush read your lips- blow your horn.''

The costs of city services are rising across the country because of the Persian Gulf crisis. The U-S Conference of Mayors says a study of 50 cities found that the cost of fuel needed to run police cars, fire trucks and other vehicles jumped more than 30 percent in August. In some cities, the hike was higher.

Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu met for more than 90 minutes today with a high-level Iraqi official in Amman , Jordan. A spokesman says Kaifu repeated the U-N demand that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait... restore the emirate's former government... and free all foreign hostages.

Two weeks ago, the U-S Conference of Mayors criticized the Bush administration for NOT getting enough anti-drug money to the street level. Today, the administration awarded 42-Million dollars to 95 communities to help prevent drug abuse. The grants go to community coalitions in 36 states and the District of Columbia.

The new all-German parliament met for the first time today... following yesterday's re-unification of the two Germanys. The 663 deputies included 144 newcomers from the former East Germany. They used the historic Reichstag parliament building in Berlin for the first time since 1933.

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#90277u1618 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 4) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Thursday - 9,005,000

1990 to date - 1,926,865,000

The market closed mixed.

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#90277u1632 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 4) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index 171.33 up 0.53

ASE Market Value Index 308.14 off 1.11

Dow-Jones Industrial 2516.83 up 27.47

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#90277u1635 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 309.29, low 307.30, close 308.14, off 1.11.

There was a loss of 3 cents in the average share price.

Volume 9,440,000 shares, compared with 11, 220,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	1
New Lows	43
Advances	210
Declines	289
Unchanged	226
Total Issues	725

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	308.14	off	1.11
High Technology	296.51	up	0.57
Capital Goods	323.48	off	1.63
Consumer Goods	368.21	up	0.91
Service	675.49	off	2.50
Retail	861.21	off	39.74
Financial	358.99	off	2.45
Natural Resources	244.19	off	0.01
Housing-Const-Land	294.92	off	4.50

There was a loss of 3 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	391.34	up	0.14
Mid Atlantic	398.71	off	1.20
No Central	388.74	off	11.31
So Atlantic	850.96	off	1.97
So Central	302.64	off	0.74
Mountain	111.77	up	0.38
Pacific	342.42	off	0.17
Foreign	239.14	off	0.17

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#90277u1639 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 4) UPI - More violence in Lebanon. Security sources say rival Palestinian factions clashed today in a refugee camp in southern Lebanon, wounding three gunmen. The fighting was between guerrillas of the Al Fatah movement headed by P-L-O chief Yasser Arafat, and gunmen of the Palestinian Communist Party.

An explosion ripped through an apartment building on the outskirts of Paris at dawn, collapsing the top three floors and burying at least 40 people under the rubble. Firefighters say at least one person was killed. There was NO immediate indication of the cause of the blast.

In Sofia, the capital of Bulgaria, several hundred on- lookers cheered as a helicopter removed a giant red star from the former Communist Party building today. The dismantling of the red star climaxed weeks of bitter feuding over the fate of that and other hated communist symbols still prominently displayed in Sofia.

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#90277u1642 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	367.37	220.66	134.94	20.89	311.40
Opening	367.24	220.76	134.99	20.83	311.28
11 a.m.	363.79	218.05	134.66	20.64	308.62
Noon	367.12	219.34	136.01	20.84	311.46
1 p.m.	369.43	220.30	136.31	21.05	313.34
2 p.m.	367.69	219.80	136.01	20.92	311.94
3 p.m.	367.26	219.06	135.87	20.94	311.61
Close	368.42	219.39	136.47	21.06	312.69
Change	up 1.05	off 1.27	up 1.53	up 0.17	up 1.29

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#90277u1645 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Thursday	368.42	219.39	136.47	21.06	312.69
Wednesday	367.37	220.66	134.94	20.89	311.40
Week ago	355.10	213.23	131.37	19.88	300.97
Month ago	379.48	230.48	127.97	23.76	320.46
Year ago	406.98	325.46	144.35	35.09	356.97

1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	355.10	213.23	124.60	19.88	300.97

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#90277u1648 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941- 43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	369.52	363.76	368.42	up 1.05
20 Trans	220.79	218.05	219.39	off 1.27
40 Utils	136.52	134.64	136.47	up 1.53
40 Fncl	21.06	20.64	21.06	up 0.17
500 Stocks	313.40	308.59	312.69	up 1.29

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#90277u1655 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 4) UPI - A study released Thursday by a consortium of public interest groups lists New York as the most responsible user of energy in the United States, while Texas is the worst.

The study said if the states which are most wasteful of energy merely brought their consumption rates to the national average, the country as a whole would use 12 percent less energy than it does now.

Public Citizen, a consortium of five watchdog groups, said the federal government's failure to promote efficiency and develop alternative energy sources leaves those actions up to the states.

''By default, the states must take the lead in implementing sound energy policies,'' said Ken Bossong, director of Public Citizen's Critical Mass Energy Project.

The study calculated the individual states' per capita energy consumption and petroleum consumption, as well as the percentage of each state's consumption of renewable energy resources.

New York, Arizona, Vermont, California and Colorado, respectively, were listed as the most responsible users of energy.

By region, the Northeast had the lowest total energy consumption despite its long winter heating season.

Meanwhile, Texas, Wyoming, Alaska, Kansas and Louisiana were considered the most wasteful states in the union.

Texas uses far more energy and petroleum than any other state, the study said. In fact, even though it has only 42 percent of the population of California - the second most energy-consuming state - Texas used 37 percent more energy and 28 percent more petroleum.

In all, Texas accounts for 12 percent of all the energy consumed in the United States.

Per capita, Alaskans use the most energy, while New Yorkers use the least, according to the study.

''Responsible energy planning is more a factor in energy use than whether a state is located in a cold climate or is sparsely populated,'' said Jonathan Becker, primary author of the study.

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#90277u1662 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 4) UPI - Single-family home sales in California, in the doldrums for more than a year, are expected to worsen through next year, dropping another 14.9 percent a trade group predicted Thursday.

''California's housing market in 1991 will be affected by a slowing state economy and a continuation of this year's pessimistic market psychology,'' said Leslie Appleton-Young, vice president for research and economics for the 140,000-member California Association of Realtors.

The forecast by the association, which represents almost a fifth of the nation's realtors, comes as the most populous U.S. state's housing market remains mired in a year-long slump after going through a two-year boom that ended early last year. Sales of single-family detached houses in 1990 are expected to be off 12.8 percent from 1989's total.

While sales of existing single-family detached houses in the state totaled 538,700 in 1989, sales are expected to ease to 470,000 this year and to 400,000 units next year, the association said. If this forecast is accurate, the market would decline 14.9 percent in 1991 from 1990.

''We are going to have an environment in which people are waiting and seeing what happens to the economy and what happens to the housing industry,'' Appleton-Young said at the close of the association's three- day annual meeting in Los Angeles.

Most of the state's downturn will continue to come in urban coastal areas, such as San Francisco in the north and Los Angeles and Orange County in the south, where prices jumped by as much as 25 percent and 30 percent in 1988 at the peak of a buying frenzy. Many potential buyers were forced out of the market in those areas.

''The urgency factor that was driving those markets reached an affordability threshold,'' Appleton-Young said.

But sales activity will continue to be brisk in lower-priced inland areas like Sacramento, Riverside-San Bernardino, Fresno, Modesto and Bakersfield. During the first half of this year, sales activity in the inland areas represented a third of all California sales, compared to a quarter a year ago.

The affordability problem will keep buyer interest in smaller homes and condominiums strong, the group said. Condominium sales will post a slight 5 percent decline next year.

''Condos represent an attractive alternative for first-time buyers,' ''Appleton-Young said. ''That market has come back strongly from the ''said. ''That ma

Despite flagging sales, California housing will not suffer the deep declines in prices that hit such markets as New England and Texas in recent years. The group said the median price for a single-family detached house in 1991 will be unchanged from the actual 1989 price and the projected 1990 price - $195,600.

''The predictions of a 20 or 30 percent fall in California prices is just not going to happen,'' Appleton-Young said. ''I think it will be rare to find individuals in California who would say that they had to sell their home for less than they paid for it.''

The group predicted that a recession, both at the national and the state level will be short-lived and that economic conditions should begin to rebound by mid-1991.

''The outlook is a little bit bleak, but this recession will be a shallow one '' Appleton-Young said. ''This will not be a repeat of 1981- 82.''

California's economy and its housing market will perform better than the nation as a whole, largely because of growth in population and jobs, Appleton-Young said.

Further, she said, the state's housing market is not in danger of becomingoverbuilt because of both the scarcity of available land and tightening restrictions on development.

''Demand for housing will continue to outstrip supply,'' Appleton- Young said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange

composite trading on Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Unisys Corp	3,428,300	3 5/8	off 3/8
Navistar Intl	3,419,400	2 5/8	unch
Philip Morris	1,914,500	48	off 1/8
Tenneco Inc	1,877,400	45 1/4	off 4 3/4
Baxter Intl	1,838,400	25 1/2	up 1 1/8
Citicorp	1,779,600	13 7/8	up 1/4
Waste Mangment	1,764,400	32 1/8	off 1 7/8
Occidntl Pet	1,706,500	18 1/8	off 1
Genl Electric	1,632,600	54 3/8	off 1/8
Wal-Mart Strs	1,556,300	27 1/2	off 1/4
PepsiCo Inc	1,382,600	24 3/4	up 5/8
Limited Inc	1,362,000	13	unch
Digital Comm	1,264,700	10 5/8	off 4 3/8
Boeing Co	1,216,100	43	up 3/8
Ford Motor	1,211,200	32	off 1/4

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
ENSCO	561,400	3 1/2	unch
BAT Indus	493,900	10 13-16	up 1/8
Carnival Cruise	485,000	12	off 1 3/4
Paine W Gr wtB	276,200	9 5/8	off 1/8
Denmark K wt	272,400	20 3/8	off 5/8
Salomon wt Jan	253,500	19 5/8	off 1/2
Eksport wt	235,800	9 3/4	off 1/8
Dow Chem rt	204,800	7	up 1/4
Cintl Air	176,300	3 7/8	off 1/8
Americus GE sc	173,500	6 1/8	unch

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#90277u1674 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 4) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5850	off 50
Utd Telcom pfA	69 3/8	up 7 7/8
UAL Corp	105 3/8	off 6 3/8
Ingrsoll Rand	33 1/4	off 5 7/8

Kubota Ltd	98 1/2	up	5 1/2
Household pfD	65	off	5
Bristol MS pf	250	off	4 3/4
Tenneco Inc	45 1/4	off	4 3/4
Digital Comm	10 5/8	off	4 3/8
Lilly Eli wt	74 3/4	up	4
Fst Chi pfC	57	off	4

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#90277u1679 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

SANTA MONICA, CA (OCT. 4) UPI - Christian Brando's lawyer raised questions Thursday about the mental competency and credibility of his client's half sister, saying she has given a series of conflicting statements about the slaying of her lover.

The attorney, Robert Shapiro, made his comments during and after a Superior Court hearing at which Christian Brando's murder trial, over the objections of the defense, was tentatively delayed from next Tuesday until Nov. 5. A firm, new trial date will be set next Thursday.

Christian is charged with shooting to death Dag Drollet, 26, the lover of Cheyenne Brando, 20, in the Hollywood Hills estate of their father, actor Marlon Brando, on May 16.

Christian, 32, told police that the shooting was an accident, but Cheyenne Brando told investigators in June that her half brother had premeditated the slaying.

Prosecutors have said that Marlon Brando then arranged for Cheyenne to fly to Tahiti, where she shares a dual citizenship with the U.S., to avoid testifying against Christian. Once in Tahiti, she gave birth to a boy fathered by Drollet.

Christian's trial was delayed by Superior Court Judge Robert Thomas to give prosecutors additional time to try and subpoena Cheyenne to return to California to testify against her half brother. Prosecutors consider her testimony crucial to obtaining a first-degree murder conviction.

But Shapiro on Thursday attacked Cheyenne's credibility as a witness, saying in court that ''she has given five conflicting statements'' about Drollet's slaying.

Shapiro said that in one of the statements, Cheyenne indicated that ''somebody else is a motivating factor'' in the slaying, a notion the lawyer said was ''ludicrous.'' He would not elaborate.

Outside court, Shapiro told reporters that even if Cheyenne does return to testify, he will challenge her mental competency to do so.

''She is suffering from severe emotional and mental problems and her competency as a witness is questionable,'' he said. ''She is heavily sedated, unable to travel and unable to testify.''

After Cheyenne returned to Tahiti, authorities there - spurred on by Dag Drollet's father, Jacques, a powerful political figure in Tahiti - began an investigation of her alleged role in Drollet's slaying.

Los Angeles prosecutors do not consider Cheyenne, who has reportedly been incarcerated in a mental hospital in Tahiti, a suspect.

Deputy District Attorney Steven Barshop told the judge that according to a transcript of a court proceeding in Tahiti, Cheyenne has indicated that she is willing to testify at her half brother's trial.

Prosecutors last month requested that a federal judge ask French Polynesian authorities to subpeona Cheyenne in Tahiti, but were turned down. They are continuing their efforts in state court.

Police have said Cheyenne told them Christian had spoken on numerous occasions of killing Drollet and that, on the evening of the slaying, he had picked up the alleged murder weapon at his girlfriend's residence.

''She stated that the shooting was not an accident like everyone was trying to make it out to be,'' police said in court documents. ''Cheyenne stated, 'It's a murder, in case you don't know it.'''

Prosecutors contend that Christian premeditated the slaying, acting in response to Cheyenne's claims that Drollet had been physically abusing her.

If committed of first-degree murder, Christian could be sentenced to 25 years to life in state prison.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	31.90-32.00	32.90-32.95
North Sea Brent	37.50-37.60	37.85-37.95
West Texas Intermed	36.90-36.95	37.30-37.35
Light Louisiana Sweet	38.10-38.20	38.55-38.65
New York Harbor spot products		

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	93.85-94.10	95.90-96.15
No. 2 Heating oil	98.30-98.50	97.67-97.90

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products
(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	88.85-89.35	91.15-91.40
No. 2 Heating oil	96.15-96.40	96.10-96.30

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#90277u1682 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (OCT. 4) UPI - At least five persons were killed and eight others were injured Thursday when an explosion ripped through an apartment building on the outskirts of Paris, authorities said.

Among the injured, four people were in critical condition, including a 1-year-old baby and a 2-year-old girl, according to rescue workers.

The violent explosion set off a fire that proved difficult to extinguish because of precautions taken by firemen to prevent cement blocks from collapsing.

The cause of the explosion, which occurred at about 6 a.m. Paris time, remained a mystery Thursday night. Police and fire officials said the building was regularly inspected to insure it complied with gas and fire regulations.

But fire officials said they thought the blast had been caused by a gas leak.

''I thought a bomb had exploded,'' said a woman who lived in the building. ''My husband was unable to get out of bed and we heard a woman cry 'my daughter, my daughter.'''

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	227.80	230.50	226.50	229.25	227.90
Mar	229.20	231.60	228.50	231.60	230.10
Jun	....	....	....	234.60	233.10

Previous day volume: 64 contracts.

Open interest: 1,182 off 15
CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	313.00	316.80	311.20	315.30	313.70
Mar	315.60	319.50	313.90	318.00	316.30
Jun	....	322.00	317.00	321.30	319.35

Today's estimated volume: 50,296 contracts.
Open interest: 150,893 up 3,342
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	171.25	173.50	170.35	172.65	171.60
Mar	172.80	173.95	172.75	174.05	173.00
Jun	....	....	....	175.45	174.40

Open interest: 5,266 up 541
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	517.40	525.40	515.70	524.75	517.85
Nov	516.50	525.20	515.90	524.85	517.90
Dec	518.40	527.20	517.90	526.90	520.00

Estimated volume 3,410 contracts.
Open interest: 7,841 up 414

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CHICAGO (OCT. 4) UPI - Four banks that expressed willingness to provide $1.4 billion in financing for a $3.7 billion employee buyout of UAL Corp., could pull out unless syndication of the remaining $600 million in bank loans is significantly oversubscribed, analysts and banking sources said Thursday.

But a banker close to the buyout said the $2 billion loan syndication was already oversubscribed.

He said the employee group - United Employee Acquisition Corp. - pitched the deal to 26 banks and found about 20 interested in taking ''a piece of'' the $2 billion syndicate - including NMB Postbank Groep N.V. of the Netherlands, which agreed to provide $350 million.

Finalizing the $2 billion in bank financing for the $3.7 billion deal was mostly a matter of ''crossing the t's and dotting the i's,'' the source said.

That, he noted, includes convincing the four lead banks - First Chicago, Bankers Trust, Manufacturers Hanover and Security Pacific - that the syndication was successful enough to demonstrate a market for reselling some of the buyout loans should they choose to do so.

The four banks agreed to provide $1.4 billion in financing - $350 million each - for the buyout if UAEC efforts to syndicate the remainder of the financing

were successful. But they reserved the right to pull out if they regarded the syndication less than a success.

''I think they wanted to see it (the syndication) oversubscribed and it is oversubscribed,'' he said. But he was unable to provide details on the extent of the oversubscription.

UAL stock dropped $6.50, to $104.25, in trading Thursday on the New York Stock Exchange. Volume was 482,000 shares.

Robert Decker, airline analyst for the investment rating firm Duff & Phelps, said he believed UAEC would have to show the syndication was ''substantially oversubscribed'' before winning any firm commitment from the four lead banks.

''I'd have to say I'll still be surprised if they put this deal together,'' Decker said.

Tom Leighty, an independent financial planner who follows the transportation industry, said UAEC's $2 billion syndication might need to draw as much as $3 billion in loan offers to persuade the lead banks to firm up their loan offers.

''The banks are going to want to be sure they can lay off some of those loans if they need to,'' he said.

Decker said bankers have a number of concerns - among them $500 million in outstanding UAL bonds that include a put option making them payable immediately in the event of a leveraged buyout.

He also said UAEC faces other financing problems - primarily the need to raise $750 million in capital by selling subordinated notes to UAL suppliers.

Boeing already has rejected UAEC's pitch.

''That leaves only Airbus and General Electric and I don't know how interested they are,'' he said.

The UAL board approved a $4.4 billion, $201-a-share buyout bid from UAEC last April and gave the employee group until Oct. 9 to finance the deal.

But Iraq's invasion of Kuwait - and the resulting higher fuel costs and lower earnings for airlines - made that deal unfinanceable.

UAEC now hopes to sell directors on the scaled-down bid, hoping they can win support if they have financing in place.

Under the new proposal, the employee group would acquire 80 percent of UAL for about $175 per share - $150 of it in cash, and the remainder in preferred stock and a ''stub.''

UAL Chairman Stephen Wolf is adamantly opposed to any scaling down of the $4.4 billion bid, saying restructuring and expansion are the best course for bolstering stock value.

Analysts, however, believe the board would go with the scaled-down employee buyout bid if UAEC can get rock solid commitments on financing before the Oct. 9 deadline.

''They'd probably rather take the $175 a share or maybe even $160 a share, if the financing is there, than face any possible consequences they might from stockholders if they turned it down,'' said Decker.

But, he said, if UAEC fails to lock up the financing before the deadline, the board likely will go with Wolf's plan for restructuring and expansion.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austral	.000186	.000185	5370.00	5419.00
Australia dlr	.8315	.8335	1.2026	1.1998
Austria schill	.0924	.0919	10.82	10.88
Belgium franc-c	.0316	.0315	31.63	31.75
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0122	.0122	81.97	81.97
Britain pound	1.9095	1.9020	.5237	.5258
Britain 1-mo	1.8987	1.8913	.5267	.5287
Britain 3-mo	1.8785	1.8705	.5323	.5346
Britain 6-mo	1.8513	1.8435	.5402	.5424
Canada dollar	.8690	.8688	1.1507	1.1510
Canada 1-mo	.8657	.8654	1.1551	1.1555
Canada 3-mo	.8595	.8595	1.1634	1.1634
Canada 6-mo	.8520	.8516	1.1737	1.1743
Chile peso-f	.003472	.003473	288.04	287.90
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001912	.001914	522.94	522.44
Denmark krne	.1708	.1692	5.8550	5.9115
Ecudr sucre-z	.001188	.001193	841.43	838.50
Egypt pound	.3706	.3706	2.6983	2.6983
Finlnd mrkka	.2736	.2724	3.6550	3.6715
France franc	.1944	.1937	5.1440	5.1630

France 1-mo	.1941	.1934	5.1518	5.1710
France 3-mo	.1934	.1927	5.1707	5.1904
France 6-mo	.1923	.1916	5.2013	5.2205
Greece drach	.006575	.006543	152.10	152.83
Hollnd guildr	.5775	.5754	1.7316	1.7380
HongKong dlr	.1289	.1289	7.7583	7.7590
India rupee	.0559	.0558	17.88	17.93
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000541	1846.00	1847.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7455	1.7370	0.5729	0.5757
Israel shekel	.5003	.4990	1.9990	2.0040
Italy lira	.000869	.000866	1151.00	1155.00
Japan yen	.007463	.007350	134.00	136.05
Japan 1-mo	.007485	.007369	133.60	135.70
Japan 3-mo	.007486	.007361	133.58	135.85
Japan 6-mo	.007605	.007365	131.50	135.77
Jordan dinar	1.5627	1.5603	.6399	.6409
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000348	.000347	2873.00	2880.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6170	.6200	1.6207	1.6129
Norway krne	.1675	.1666	5.9700	6.0020
Pakistn rupee	.0465	.0465	21.50	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	433,400	434,400
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007339	.007305	136.25	136.89
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5720	.5697	1.7483	1.7554
S.Africa rand	.3920	.3906	2.5510	2.5600
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010376	.010336	96.38	96.75
Sweden krona	.1762	.1754	5.6750	5.7020
Switzrl franc	.7849	.7788	1.2740	1.2840
Switzrl 1-mo	.7846	.7791	1.2746	1.2835
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7845	.7791	1.2747	1.2836
Switzrl 6-mo	.7844	.7781	1.2748	1.2852
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.79	26.79
Turkey lira	.000369	.000369	2707.00	2711.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Venez bolivr-z	.0209	.0209	47.77	47.77
W.Ger Mark	.6511	.6483	1.5358	1.5425
W.Ger 1-mo	.6511	.6482	1.5359	1.5428
W.Ger 3-mo	.6508	.6475	1.5365	1.5443
W.Ger 6-mo	.6488	.6460	1.5413	1.5480
Yugosl dinar	.0946	.0940	10.57	10.64

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	349.89	off	1.56	341.19	480.66
Industrial	372.15	off	1.70	364.00	466.34
Finance	346.80	off	1.67	338.52	565.99
Insurance	410.87	off	2.34	399.91	548.23
Utility	484.34	off	1.70	462.01	775.58
Bank	253.30	off	0.57	249.97	478.60
Transport	393.05	off	1.46	386.17	477.79

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 341.19
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 153.18 off 0.73
Industrial Index 147.00 off 0.73
NASDAQ-100 Index 358.99 off 2.02

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net	Chg.
20 Bonds	89.11	off	0.04
10 Public Utils	90.55	off	0.15
10 Industrials	87.68	up	0.08

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
30 Indus	2483.91	2528.22	2464.85	2516.83	up	27.47
20 Trans	886.28	893.86	861.87	869.27	off	13.50
15 Utils	201.77	206.05	201.33	204.92	up	2.46
65 Stock	878.65	892.68	868.13	883.09	up	3.75

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	19,580,700	15,549,000
Trans	2,423,300	1,941,200
Utils	3,322,500	2,861,900
65 Stock	24,326,500	20,352,100

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.11	off 0.04
10 Public Utils	90.55	off 0.15
10 Industrials	87.68	up 0.08

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 130.83 off 0.48.

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WARSAW, POLAND (OCT. 4) UPI - Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki announced Thursday he will run for president in the Nov. 25 election in a direct challenge to his former colleague, Solidarity leader Lech Walesa.

Walesa announced last month he would seek the post being vacated by Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, the former Communist Party chief. But Mazowiecki, his only serious rival, had shown a reluctance to directly challenge the Solidarity leader.

In a nationally televised statement on the evening news, Mazowiecki said he would run because he wanted to carry on the program that his Solidarity-led government has put into place in the year it has been in power.

''After much consideration, I have agreed to run if my candidacy is put forward,'' he said. ''One should go forward. One should follow the same road, not a different one.''

The Mazowiecki government launched a tough economic stabilization plan on Jan. 1 that checked rampant inflation and stabilized the Polish zloty, but at the cost of a more than 30 per cent drop in the standard of living and rising unemployment.

Walesa has criticized his former adviser for what he describes as foot-dragging on political reforms, including the ouster of Communist bureaucrats from middle-management positions where he says they are hampering economic progress.

Mazowiecki, looking tired, indirectly referred to that criticism in defending

his government's record by hinting more changes were in store.

''As regards a broader program, I will present it at a different time,'' he said.

Several other political leaders are also expected to enter the race to choose the first popularly elected president in Polish history.

Jaruzelski, whom most Poles remember as the man who imposed martial law in 1981 to crush Solidarity, agreed to step down because of the changing political climate although his term runs until 1994.

His presidency was the result of a round table agreement reached between the then-ruling Communist Party and Solidarity last year which also provided limited participation of Solidarity candidates in parliamentary elections. Solidarity's ovewhelming victory in the races where its candidates could run swept it into power in a coalition government last fall.

Thus, Poland, which led the independence movement that ended up toppling communist regimes throughout the region in 1989, this year became the only remaining country without fully free elections.

To remedy that, Parliament last week passed constitutional amendments providing for the new presidential election and for new parliamentary election scheduled for next spring.

Mazowiecki is supported by a group of intellectuals and workers who have formed a political party called Democratic Action, while Walesa is backed by a group called Center Alliance. The two groups are the primary factions in the now-divided Solidarity movement.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	351.45	347.91	349.89	pff	1.56
Industrial	373.06	369.65	372,15	off	1.70
Finance	348.06	345.07	346.80	off	1.67
Insurance	413.95	410.07	410.87	off	2.34
Utility	487.54	481.29	484.34	off	1.70
Bank	245.55	252.40	253.30	off	0.57
Transport	394.52	390.79	393.05	off	1.46

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (9-27) 341.19

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	153.18 off 0.73
Industrial Index	147.00 off 0.73
NASDAQ-100 Index	358.99 off 2.02
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.95 off 0.03
Volume	84,372,704 shares
Advances	629
Declines	783
Unchanged	1,390
Total	2,804

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - The dose of aspirin needed to reduce the risk of heart attack may be less than previously thought, perhaps as low as one-quarter of an aspirin per day, Swedish researchers reported Thursday.

The study followed 769 Swedish men with coronary artery disease who had suffered a heart attack or had severe, progressive chest pains. It found those who received the equivalent of one-quarter of an aspirin per day had 50 percent fewer heart attacks after three months than men who received phony pills.

In recent years, several much-publicized studies have found taking one-half an aspirin every day can cut the risk of heart attack. However, the researchers from Sweden's Linkoping University said their work is the first to show even lower doses can be beneficial.

''From previous studies, it is known that the side-effects and compliance with aspirin are dose-related. We found that aspirin 75 milligrams (one-quarter of a regular-strength adult aspirin) per day had few side-effects and most patients complied with treatment,'' Lars Wallentin and his colleagues wrote in their study published in the British medical journal Lancet.

Aspirin is thought to reduce the risk of heart attack and stroke by suppressing the formation of blood clots, which can clog narrowed arteries. However, the long-term use of the non-presecription drug can cause stomach irritation, bleeding of the stomach and ringing of the ears.

Researchers said 1.8 percent of aspirin-treated patients stopped taking the medication during the three-month study, compared with 1.3 percent of people taking phony pills.

In contrast to studies of higher aspirin doses, researchers said it appeared that it took at least two days for the protective benefits of low-dose aspirin

to kick in. That finding prompted them to suggest patients might be given a higher, ''loading dose'' of aspirin for the first few days, and then switched to the lower dose regimen.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	104,989,200
Advances	787
Declines	936
Unchanged	2,517
Total	4,240

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	12	8	5
New lows	150	104	402

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	731	65,500,800
Declines	775	66,105,000
Unchanged	454	13,804,200
Total	1,960	145,410,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	171.57	169.43	171.33	up 0.53
Industrial	213.98	211.13	213.44	up 0.36
Transport	134.97	133.41	134.16	off 0.65
Utility	86.63	85.55	86.63	up 0.86
Finance	112.23	110.94	112.23	up 0.34

Equivalent to a gain of 9 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 145,410,000 shares.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.61	8.71	8.65
91-day Treasury bills	7.35	7.40	7.76
182-day Treasury bills	7.50	7.55	7.81
1-year Treasury bills	7.54	7.61	7.73
3-year Treasury notes	7.98	8.06	8.26
7-year Treasury notes	8.53	8.61	8.17
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.79	8.87	8.07
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.25	9.23	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.85	9.90	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.10	9.15	9.14
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.34	9.39	9.12
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.39	9.44	9.30
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.41	9.42	9.28

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - U.S. crude oil prices, led by a late selloff of gasoline, skidded downward in late trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange Thursday after being up earlier in the day.

Crude was supported earlier as markets anticipated an Iraqi U.N. speech would not match the conciliatory tone of President Bush's address earlier this week.

Heavy German buying of heating oil in Europe, buttressed by a strengthening German mark, also was giving support to the product markets, analysts said.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery ended the day 39 cents below Wednesday's close at $36.93 a barrel after trading as high as $38.25 and as low as $36.30 a barrel.

''A late selloff of gasoline pulled crude down 30-50 cents in the last 15 minutes of trading,'' said Kirk Kinnear of the Phibro Division of Salomon Brothers in Greenwich, Conn.

On the Merc, unleaded gasoline for November delivery fell 2.28 cents to 90.86 cents a gallon after trading as high as 94.90 cents a gallon.

Mary Haskins of PaineWebber Inc., New York, saw the crude decline ''as a little bit of a technical pullback from yesterday's rally.'' WTI rose $3.14 a barrel on the Merc Wednesday.

Iraq's response to Bush's speech was expected in a U.N. speech Thursday night.

Initially, traders had expected the speech to be given by Iraq's Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and was therefore seen as a major response to Bush's leaving open a way toward a peaceful settlement of the Persian Gulf crisis.

''Once it was clarified that Aziz was not coming, buyers started coming in again,'' said Nauman Barakat, vice president and senior energy trader at Merrill Lynch Futures Inc. in New York.

Peter Beutel of Pegasus Econometrics Group, of Hoboken, N.J., agreed the switch was influencing the market.

Aziz was scheduled to give the speech, but Thursday morning word was passed he would be replaced by Iraq's U.N. ambassador, the analyst said.

Barakat said the market also was supported by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's hard-line ''pep talk'' to Iraqi troops in Kuwait Wednesday.

But Peter Gignoux of Shearson Lehman Hutton's London office characterized the Gulf situation Thursday as ''a lot of diplomatic 'to- ing and fro-ing.' I'm not sure what you make of it.''

On the Merc, November-delivery home heating oil ended the day up 0.51 cents to 99.92 cents a gallon after being up as much as 2.93 cents in earlier trading.

The products were supported by heavy German buying of gasoil, or European heating oil, in Europe, Gignoux said. ''The strong mark has enabled them to buy more,'' he said.

In New York Thursday, the dollar fell to a record low versus the mark of 1.5330 marks.

As a result, gasoil had risen on London's International Petroleum Exchange to $332 a ton, or $1.06 a gallon, from Wednesday's $314 a ton.

Beutel also noted that last week there was ''an unseasonal draw on U.S.

heating oil stocks'' at a time of year when supplies are normally building for the winter.

The American Petroleum Institute reported U.S. heating oil supplies last week dropped 1.7 million barrels to 134.8 million barrels, still one of the highest levels in the last five years.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent, which has led the surge in oil prices was down 35 cents to $37.50 a barrel after being up 70 cents at midday.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - lost $1 to $31.90 a barrel after being quoted midday $33.24 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt-delivery WTI fell 40 cents to $36.90 a barrel.

In Cairo, Egypt slashed the price of its crude $4 to $35 a barrel to match what it termed current developments on world markets.

In Tokyo, a leading Japanese economist forecast that once peace returns to the Middle East crude prices would dip back to their early- summer level below $20 a barrel before settling around $25 a barrel.

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LEXINGTON, TN (OCT. 4) UPI - A Tennessee state senator who is a frequent critic of truckers was charged with aggravated assault for allegedly firing a gun at a truck driver who tried to slow him down on the interstate, authorities said Thursday.

State Sen. John Ford, D-Memphis, apparently became angry during a traffic jam Tuesday on Interstate 40 near the exit to Lexington, about 90 miles east of Memphis, Henderson County Sheriff Charles Woods said.

Nelson Kieffer, a truck driver from Dallas who filed the complaint, said he saw a brown Mercedes speeding along the interstate and heard reports on his CB radio that the Mercedes was forcing cars off the road. Truckers tried to slow the car down while trying to alert troopers on the radio, he said.

When that tactic failed, Kieffer pulled into the right lane to allow the car to pass.

''I moved over in the right lane and let him go on and he pulled up beside me and gave me the No. 1 sign and opened his sunroof, pulled a gun and took a shot at me,'' Kieffer said.

Kieffer, who was not hurt, copied down the number on the car's state Senate license plate, which later was identified as Ford's.

Ford, who has tried unsuccessfully to pass legislation prohibiting truckers from traveling in the left lane on interstates, denied the allegation.

''I don't know what you're talking about,'' Ford said. ''I'll tell you this, if they say that in a warrant I'm going to have them in court.''

The veteran lawmaker said he does not own a gun and said the charge against him ''is a figment of someone's imagination.

''It sounds like a bunch of rednecks playing games and trying to embarrass people with an election coming up,'' he said.

Ford is a candidate for re-election in November, but has no serious opposition.

Woods said he expects Ford to turn himself in after Ford's lawyer told the sheriff the senator would come to Lexington Friday.

Ford will be served with the arrest warrant at that time and will appear before a general sessions judge, Woods said.

Ford was involved in a high-speed interstate chase in 1980. A trooper who finally stopped the lawmaker said he was traveling over 100 mph near Dickson. The trooper said Ford was ''belligerent, arrogant and egotistical.'' Ford said he was trying to get to a ceremony at the governor's mansion and called the trooper a racist ''redneck.'' Ford was fined $25 for speeding.

A conviction on the felony carries a sentence of 3-6 years for a first offender. A felony conviction also would mean Ford, who has been in the General Assembly since 1975, would be prohibited from holding a state legislative seat.

Ford is a member of the politically powerful Ford family of Memphis. Ford's brother, Harold, is a Democratic congressman from Memphis. Another brother, James, serves on the Memphis city council.

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PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (OCT. 4) UPI - President Vaclav Havel called for an emergency weekend summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov to discuss a cutback in Soviet oil deliveries that threatens Czechoslovakia's economic recovery.

Finance ministers and their deputies from Hungary, Poland and Czechoslovakia

are due to meet in Budapest this weekend to discuss channeling disposable oil supplies and forming a united front to bargain with the Soviet Union. But Czechoslovak Finance Minister Vaclav Klaus said Thursday that the meeting may not take place.

Czechoslovak newspapers reported Thursday that the country had only a two-day supply of crude oil, and Soviet deliveries were falling below the 30,000 tons daily needed to keep Czechoslovak refineries running.

Prime Minster Marian Calfa summoned Soviet Ambassador Boris Pankin to request an urgent meeting this weekend.

Economics Minister Valdimir Dlouhy, in an effort to cut fuel consumption, announced a complicated rationing scheme Thursday, giving drivers a minimal allotment of gasoline at current prices. He said the Soviets have been delivering only 12,000 tons of oil daily.

Jan Vrba, the Czech republic minister of industry, said the country has a 14-day supply of regular gasoline and a 21-day supply of high- octane fuel.

''There are indications this could drop even further and lead to extraordinarily dangerous consequences with broad international impact,'' Calfa's statement said.

Analysts and government officials say Soviet supplies are being cut back for several reasons: labor and mechanical problems in pumping Soviet crude, the rising price of world oil, and contracts with Comecon countries that guarantee oil deliveries against payment in soft Eastern European currencies and local goods.

Comecon is the old trade organization of socialist countries.

Czechoslovakia has minimal crude and refined petroleum reserves and depends on a continuous flow of oil from the Soviet Union.

Long gasoline lines were reported around Prague, as consumers braced for an expected rise in pump prices.

Klaus said he could not rule out ordering another round of increases in consumer prices before most prices are freed from constraints next January.

The sudden cutback in Soviet oil deliveries appears to have taken Czechoslovakia by complete surprise.

''This decision to ask for an emergency summit was done on the basis of the real development of supplies. Measuring devices told us the Soviet deliveries were falling,'' Klaus said, adding the Soviets had made no formal declaration of their decision to cut back deliveries.

Czechoslovakia is entirely dependent on heavy low-grade Soviet crude for its oil supplies, and a previous delivery shortfall last summer caused Czechoslovakia to raise gasoline prices at the pump to discourage fuel use.

Economists in Prague estimate that Czechoslovakia may need to find $2 billion to $3 billion to buy oil for next year.

Effective Jan. 1, 1991, Comecon will settle its debts in hard currency, and Czechoslovak officials say privately they fear the Soviets are holding out for more cash.

Czechoslovak Deputy Premier Vaclav Vales also met the Soviet ambassador Thursday, to discuss opening talks on property, economic and environemntal issues connected with the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Czechoslovakia.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 4) UPI - The chairman of Wisconsin Electric Power Co. said Thursday the company took responsibility for an accident in which a 5-year-old boy suffered severe burns from a 4,800-volt electrical transformer.

''A computer search of our records today showed that a contractor working as a cable locator notified Wisconsin Electric in August that the padlock was missing from this specific transformer,'' said Richard Abdoo, company chairman and chief executive officer. ''It appears no followup action was taken.''

Matthew Brown, 5, of Franklin, Wis., was severely burned when he put his hands inside the unlocked transformer box while playing outside the Willow Glen apartment complex in Oak Creek on Tuesday.

He underwent surgery to amputate his left arm at the shoulder and to remove part of his stomach, where the electrical current exited his body. He was listed in critical but stable condition Thursday in the pediatric intensive care unit of Children's Hospital of Wisconsin in Wauwatosa.

''To Matthew Brown and his family, we offer our most heartfelt apologies, although they are inadequate,'' Abdoo said. ''We accept responsibility for our actions. We have already offered to underwrite Matthew's medical expenses.''

Abdoo said the transformer is an older design called a ''live-front'' transformer that has doors which normally are secured with a padlock. When the doors are opened, the exposed equipment remains energized, he said.

Abdoo said the company would either replace or refit its older transformers with additional safety and protection devices.

''We will commit every resource at our disposal to ensure that a tragedy such as this does not occur again,'' he said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - The dollar tumbled again Thursday in currency markets on the eve of the release of U.S. employment figures that could give the Federal Reserve yet another reason to guide short-term interest rates lower.

Currency traders said the New York market inherited a sharply weakened dollar from the Asian and European sessions. They said heavy demand for the Japanese yen dominated trading, keeping pressure on the dollar.

Many participants selling the dollar were betting Labor Department data to be issued Friday morning would show joblessness rising to 5.7 percent in September from August's 5.6 percent, as the U.S. economy veers into recession.

In New York, the dollar established another record low against the German mark closing at 1.5330 marks vs. 1.5415 Wednesday, the previous record. Before that, the lowest New York closing price was 1.5445 marks, set Aug. 23.

The dollar changed hands at 133.70 yen, off from 135.75. Traders said that was the lowest closing dollar-yen price seen in the New York market since April 1989.

Many players expected the Fed to move Friday to lower the federal funds interest rate, charged on reserve fund loans from one bank to another, to 7.75 percent from the current 8.0 percent.

Such expectations have been weakening the dollar for some time. But the Congress debating legislation to trim the U.S. budget deficit by $500 billion over the next five years, a rate cut seems all but assured. The Persian Gulf situation has apparently been pushed into the backround, at least for the time being.

Shearson Lehman Brothers currency analyst Lisa Finstrom said pressure on the dollar has been intensified by recession psychology.

''That's the key - this recessionary fear has gone wild,'' Finstrom said. ''They basically hit the dollar pretty hard this morning.''

The British pound surged to $1.9150 from $1.9020.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2795 Swiss francs, down from 1.2825; 5.1350 French francs, off from 5.1690; and 1,148.50 Italian lire, down from 1,154.80.

In European markets, the dollar closed lower as Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan's

positive comments on the budget agreement - facing a rocky course in Congress -continued to influence currency dealings. But traders said activity was thin in advance of the U.S. employment statistics.

''People might want to wait until U.S. unemployment figures come out to get a clearer view,'' said National Westminster Bank trader Geoff Earnshaw. He said lower U.S. interest rates were already factored into currency prices.

In London, the pound gained on the dollar to close at $1.9110 vs. $1.9005.

In Frankfurt, where there was a holiday Wednesday to mark German unification, the dollar plunged to 1.5335 marks vs. 1.5579 Tuesday. The dollar also fell in Zurich, to 1.2785 Swiss francs vs. 1.2850 Wednesday.

The dollar slipped in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively: 5.1365 French francs vs. 5.1980, 31.63 Belgian francs vs. 31.88, and 1, 149 Italian lire vs. 1162.15.

In Tokyo, the dollar skidded to its lowest close in 19 months, finishing at 135.90 yen compared with 136.65 Wednesday.

Gold moved up in Zurich, to $397 an ounce vs. $390.50, and in London, to $397 an ounce vs. $390.25.

But Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $393 an ounce, down from $394.25 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $392.30 an ounce vs. $393.90.

Silver closed higher in Zurich at $4.75 an ounce vs. Wednesday's $4.70 but was lower in London at $4.70 an ounce vs. $4.71.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.69 an ounce, off from $4.71. Comex silver closed at $4.668 an ounce, off from $4.69.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Stocks closed mixed Thursday in light trading, but the Dow industrials rose sharply on optimism about the fate of the deficit-cutting plan for the federal budget now before Congress, as well as on technical and program buying.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which lost 15.84 Wednesday, jumped 27.47 to close at 2516.83.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.53 to 171.33. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index advanced 1.29 to 312.69. The price of an average share rose 9 cents.

Declines narrowly led advances, 778-735, among the 1,967 issues crossing the Big Board tape. Volume totaled 145,410,000 shares, above the 135,490,000 shares traded Wednesday.

House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said Thursday President Bush would let the Democratic-controlled Congress make unspecified changes in the budget plan in hopes of winning congressional approval.

Foley made the comment after a private White House lunch with Bush to discuss how much flexibility Congress would have in changing the controversial five-year, $500 billion accord in the implementation stage, called ''reconciliation.''

That stage, with an Oct. 19 deadline, would follow a showdown House floor vote scheduled for late Thursday afternoon or early Thursday evening.

Analysts said the news raised hopes in the market that the plan would be approved and sparked a late burst of buying.

''We saw some buying on the close, and it seemed to be fairly real buying, institutional buying, in anticipation of finally getting some good news (on the budget),'' said Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King & Associates in Albany, N.Y.

Doran noted that while ''there is still uncertainty'' about the outcome of the budget vote, the optimism in the market stemmed from hopes for lower interest rates if the plan is approved.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan has endorsed the plan, saying Wednesday that congressional failure to send it to Bush to be signed into law would be a ''grave mistake.''

Greenspan recently said the Fed could be prompted to ease its stance on interest rates should a credible budget proposal be approved.

Doran also said computerized program buying, used to profit on price spreads between stocks and stock-index futures, played a big part in the rally and explained why the gains were concentrated in the Dow.

Other analysts called the blue-chip rally technical in nature, part of the market's bid to rise up from the 2427.48 level in the Dow industrials that hasbeen the blue-chip average's low point since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

''After the rally Monday, we had some profit taking after the market went up too far, too fast from an oversold condition. And then after some early program selling, we resumed the rally,'' said Brad Weekes, senior vice president in charge of sales and trading at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette

Securities.

On the trading floor, Unisys was the most active issue, down 3/8 to 3 5/8 after a cautionary article about the company appeared in Thursday's Wall Street Journal. This was enough to send other technology issues lower: Motorola plunged 3 1/2 to 60 1/2, Digital Equipment sank 2 3/8 to 50 1/8 and Hewlett-Packard tumbled 1 3/4 to 29 1/4.

Elsewhere in the technology sector, Digital Communications Associates plunged 4 3/8 to 10 5/8 after reporting first-quarter earnings fell to 18 cents a share from 48 cents in the 1989 quarter. And the latest period included a special gain from the sale of a unit.

Navistar followed, reflecting a big block trade executed during the day, unchanged at 2 5/8. Philip Morris was third, off 1/8 to 48.

Tenneco was also active, plunging 4 3/4 to 45 1/4 after an analyst for the firm C.J. Lawrence reportedly cut 1990 and 1991 earnings estimates for the company.

But among the blue chips, AT&T rose 3/4 to 32 1/4, Eastman Kodak jumped 1 1/8 to 38 3/8, General Motors added 5/8 to 36 and IBM, bucking the trend in the technology sector, gained 1/2 to 107 7/8. USX rose 1 1/8 to 32 1/4.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 176,027,490 shares, compared with 165,415,720 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices closed lower in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index fell 1.11 to close at 308.14. Declines led advances, 295-224, among the 743 issues traded. The price of an average share lost 3 cents. Composite volume totaled 11,118,800 shares, vs. 14,126,300 traded Wednesday.

Energy Service led the Amex issues, unchanged at 3 1/2.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index closed down 1.56 to 349.89.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Afffliated Fund 9.08 9.74

Anchor Fund Inv	14.17	15.03
Delaware Mutual	16.54	17.74
Fidelity Fund	16.04	16.04

Investors Mutual	10.58	11.14
Investors Stocks	17.69	18.63
Investors Select	8.30	8.74
IDS Equity Plus	8.63	9.08
Mass Inv Growth	7.83	8.44
Nicholas Fund	3.20	3.20
United Accumulated	6.08	6.64
United Income	16.26	17.77
Vanguard Wellington	15.80	15.80

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - The House, taking a tough-on-crime stance, voted Thursday to expand the list of federal crimes that can carry the death penalty and to limit appeals by state prisoners who face execution.

Opponents criticized the amendments to an omnibus anti-crime bill as election-eve posturing and predicted the courts would declare it unconstitutional.

As originally drafted by the House Judiciary Committee, the bill was strongly criticized by President Bush, who threatened a veto because the measure was ''tougher on law enforcement than it is on criminals.''

But in a series of votes in the full House, amendments were approved to expand the use of the death penalty and otherwise strengthen federal anti-crime statutes.

Final passage of the bill was expected late Thursday or Friday.

An amendment to subsitute life in prison for the death penalty was easily defeated and then the House rejected, 319-108, an amendment by Rep. William Hughes, D-N.J., that would have stiffened the death penalty provisions.

Rep. George Gekas, R-Pa., then won approval, 271-159, of an amendment to add 10 death penalty offenses to the 10 already in the bill. His amendment also would change sentencing procedures to make it more likely the death penalty could be imposed, and would limit appeals in federal courts by state prisoners awaiting execution.

The House then approved an amendment by Rep. Bill McCollum, R-Fla., 295-133, that would allow the death penalty to be imposed on people convicted of trafficking large quantities of drugs even if no specific death occurs.

The Senate passed its version of the crime bill earlier this year, but that measure faces a veto threat over a provision that would outlaw nine types of semiautomatic assault-type weapons. Bush has refused to ban such guns despite

pleas from police groups.

The House bill contains no similar provision, but a separate bill to ban the weapons was scheduled to be taken up after the crime bill.

A House-Senate compromise will have to be worked out before a final version is sent to Bush.

If enacted, the new legislation would allow the federal courts to impose the death penalty for the first time since the Supreme Court struck down all death penalty laws in 1972.

Rep. Jack Brooks, D-Texas, chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, defended the committee's version of the bill as ''a well-crafted and comprehensive effort to combat crime, from the streets of our cities ... to the boardrooms of savings and loans.''

During debate on the death penalty provisions, Brooks and Hughes complained that members wanted to vote for whatever amendment was the toughest, without regard for fairness or constitutionality.

Gekas said, ''The state of crime in our nation requires the strongest law enforcement tools that we can make available'' to police agencies.

In addition to restrictions imposed by the Gekas amendment, the House approved 285-146, an amendment by Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., allowing states to set time limits on appeals by state death row inmates based on constitutional challenges.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock				
Ballard Medical Prdts	..	50PC	11-1	10-15
Increased				
Paychex Inc	Q	.05	11-20	10-26
Usual				
American Water Works	Q	.20	11-15	10-26
General Public Utils	Q	.65	11-28	10-26
Grace (WR) Co	Q	.35	12-10	11-1
Homestake Mining Co	Q	.05	11-13	10-30
Horizon Fincl Svcs	Q	.06	11-8	10-19

Houston Industries	Q	.74	12-10	11-16
Lomas Mtge Scrts Fd	M	.10 1/2	10-25	10-15
Sun Co	Q	.45	12-10	11-9

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 432.90, off 0.04 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90277u1965 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - The Agriculture Department is making the case within the Bush administration for offering export credits to the Soviet Union a senior department official said Thursday.

However, the official said the issue must be resolved ''consistent with broader policy issues.'' For months, the administration has linked improved economic ties to the Kremlin to enactment of Soviet laws guaranteeing free emigration.

''We're interested in providing credits,'' said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity. ''We have been presenting our interest in doing this to other agencies.''

In the past, the Soviets have paid cash for purchases. Soviet officials, strapped for cash and facing deteriorating economic conditions, have expressed interest in obtaining up to $2 billion in the export credit guarantees.

The Soviet Union is the No. 1 market for U.S. grain exports. It bought 20.3 million metric tons of U.S. corn and wheat in the fiscal year that just ended.

The Agriculture Department recently offered the Kremlin, which is in the market for flour, the chance to buy 500,000 tons of wheat flour at discount prices. It was the first time the department has offered export subsidies on anything other than wheat for the Soviets.

On Wednesday, the Soviets purchased 150,000 tons of soybean meal, its first major purchase of U.S. crops since the advent of this year's harvest. Soviet farmers are projected to harvest a near-record crop but their country still is expected to be a major grain importer.

The official's comments were the strongest expression yet about a possible offer of credits. During the summer, the department said credits would be considered once emigration reforms were adopted.

Farm-state congressmen, worried about low domestic wheat prices and a projected decline in U.S. exports, have argued in favor of extending credits now in light of change in Soviet regulations.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 4) UPI - The price of MCA Inc.'s stock fell Thursday following reports that its theme parks and some of its other assets may be excluded from a possible $8 billion buyout by Japanese company Matsushita Electric Industrial Co.

MCA's stock closed at $62.75, off 75 cents on the New York Stock Exchange. Matsushita's American Depositary Receipts, also traded on the NYSE, were up $2 to $139.50 an ADR.

Analysts and investors have speculated that Matsushita may only want to acquire MCA's film, record and television divisions, along with its 420 acres of real estate in the Hollywood area.

Such a deal would exclude the Universal Studios theme parks in Hollywood and Florida, its book publishers and its half-interests in the USA Network cable channel and the 1,800-screen Cineplex Odeon theater chain. The Florida theme park has been riddled with problems since it opened earlier this year, but most analysts believe it has excellent long-term potential.

''I would think that Matsushita would be interested in the theme parks, unless they are worried about the problems in Florida,'' said entertainment analyst Paul Marsh of Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards of Los Angeles.

Marsh said that the drop in the stock, which had jumped nearly $4 on Wedneday after both companies confirmed that they are holding talks with each other, may stem from investors believing that negotiations will not be concluded quickly.

''All that's happened so far is that Michael Ovitz has gotten the two sides to the table,'' Marsh said.

Ovitz, head of the high-powered Creative Artists Agency, is acting as an adviser to Matsushita on the deal.

''It's not easy to buy an $8 billion company,'' Marsh said. ''One would assume that they still have a lot of talking to do.''

Marsh and other analysts say that MCA's break-up value would be about $85 a share, but reports from Japan this week have indicated that Matsushita wants to pay only about $65 a share.

Matsushita, which has annual sales of $44 billion, had been widely identified as the potential buyer following last week's disclosure by MCA that it was holding buyout talks with a major international company.

If MCA makes the deal, it would also have to sell its WWOR-TV station in New Jersey, because of regulations barring ownership of U.S. TV stations by foreign interests.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL. (OCT. 4) UPI - The shuttle Atlantis appears to have been damaged somewhat when a 70-pound, 9-foot-long metal beam mistakenly left in the ship's engine room fell as the orbiter was being hoisted into the launch position, officials said Thursday.

The accident was the latest in a series of mishaps in recent months at the Kennedy Space Center that have raised questions about quality control and NASA's ability to keep the shuttle program on schedule, above and beyond the hydrogen fuel leaks that have disrupted the launch schedule.

But Forrest McCartney, director of the Kennedy Space Center, said the incident did not indicate a trend at the shuttleport and that a thorough investigation will be mounted to make sure a no similar problems happen again.

As for whether the accident caused any damage to Atlantis that would delay the ship's launch next month on a secret military mission, McCartney said it was too soon to say.

But sources requesting anonymity said the bar apparently fell 5 to 6 feet and that it came to rest near the intersection of several critical structural beams. The falling beam caused some damage to foam insulation and appears to have dinged several other components.

''I'm very disappointed,'' McCartney said in an interview. ''It was unexpected and we've not yet gotten down to the bottom line on it. Right now, I just can't think of any reason that should have happened. We've just got to figure out where the system let us down.''

With the shuttle Discovery on track for blastoff Saturday, Atlantis is scheduled for launch around Nov. 7 to ferry a military satellite into orbit, a classified mission grounded in July by a hydrogen fuel leak.

The $2 billion spaceplane was moved from its hangar to the Vehicle Assembly

Building earlier this week for attachment to a pair of solid- fuel boosters and an external fuel tank before rollout to launch pad 39A next week.

A massive yellow sling was attached to Atlantis Wednesday and two powerful overhead cranes picked the shuttle up and then rotated it into a vertical position so it could be bolted to its tank and boosters.

But as the nose of the shuttle rose, engineers heard at least three distinct ''thuds'' apparently coming from inside Atlantis's engine compartment in a period of between 2 and 2.5 seconds, according to sources who requested anonymity.

When engineers were able to gain access to the shuttle's engine room they were dismayed to find a bright yellow 9-foot, 70-pound ''access bar'' resting near the floor of the cramped compartment.

The metal beam, apparently left inside the engine room by mistake, fell through the compartment as Atlantis was rotated vertical.

''It's a 9-foot I-beam,'' said NASA spokeswoman Lisa Malone. ''It's bolted to part of the structure in the orbiter and they mount platforms on it so you can get access (to various systems).''

Before roll over to the Vehicle Assembly Building, access platforms are removed and the engine room is closed. For some reason, technicians missed the 9-foot beam that fell inside Atlantis.

Engineers worked Thursday to find out what damage, if any, the beam caused as it fell.

''They want to determine the course it traveled and any damage to any of the systems,'' Malone said. ''Right now, they're taking pictures and making measurements and that kind of thing.''

One source said the incident happened as Atlantis's nose was rotated between 30 degrees and 50 degrees past horizontal. Asked what the odds were the shuttle could have escaped damage, he said simply: ''None.''

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#90277u1984 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 4) UPI - A liberal political organization, responding to a growing number of servicemen and women seeking to avoid combat in the Middle East, said Thursday it has established a legal service for those applying for conscientious objector status.

The political lobby Americans for Democratic Action has enlisted attorney Bill Smith and other lawyers to aid members of the armed forces in applying for

changes of assignment, reserve duty or discharges.

Smith, who provided similar services to military personnel and draft resisters during the Vietnam War, said the team of attorneys also is offering counsel to draft applicants who want to know how to record their objections before they register.

''Although we don't have a conscription system at this time, if the war in the Mideast should escalate, young men approaching age 18 want to know how to register a claim,'' he said. ''Well over half my calls come from young men faced with registering for the draft.''

Smith acknowledged that the military deployment in the Persian Gulf is enjoying more widespread American support than the Vietnam conflict did, but he said his office is receiving a growing number of calls from men and women asking for help in avoiding Persian Gulf assignments.

Smith, who specializes in military and veterans' law, said many people he has spoken with volunteered for service in the Army, Navy, Air Force or Marines to gain work experience, serve their country in peace time and enjoy education and other benefits.

''I talked with a nurse who joined the reserves who thought she was going to be sent to an earthquake disaster,'' he said. ''Now she faces the possibility of going to Saudi Arabia. That's a different contract than what she bargained for.''

He said following several court decisions, each military branch and the U.S. Department of Defense established policies and procedures by which servicemen and women who experience a change of heart can apply for different active duty assignments, reserve status or for a discharge.

Smith said enlistment applications offer an opportunity for volunteers to deal with the moral questions of going to war, but the reference is brief and recruitment officers generally do not raise the subject in interviews with enlistees.

''On this elaborate four-page application, one line says 'Are you a conscientious objector - yes or no?' No one tells you what a conscientious objector is. Most people can't even pronounce it,'' Smith said.

''Today I think recruiters have an obligation to let young people know they could be facing conflict in the Mideast and what that means,'' he said.

He said most callers seeking help are referred first to one of several peace-related organizations whose staff will assist them with applications. If they need legal representation, lawyers will take their cases.

Smith said the group's legal assistance program is not intended to offer an easy way out for anyone who prefers a comfortable stateside post over the Saudi Arabian desert.

''You've got to qualify,'' he said. ''You can't just say 'I'm opposed to going to Saudi Arabia because I'm allergic to sand.'''

Smith said claims based on deep religious or moral convictions against war succeed in winning a change in military status in about 80 percent of the cases.

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HARTFORD, Conn. (OCT. 4) UPI - A former cardiologist surrendered Thursday and was taken to the state's maximum-security prison in Somers to serve a 20-year sentence for killing his wife with a baseball bat.

Dr. Russell Manfredi, 37, of West Hartford had remained free on a $250,000 appeal bond since his sentencing in December 1986, but had to turn himself in after the U.S. Supreme Court refused to hear his case Monday.

''We finally have the day of justice,'' said State's Attorney John M. Bailey, who prosecuted the case. ''It was extremely frustrating, but the system did work.''

Manfredi was convicted of first-degree manslaughter in November 1986 for beating his wife, Barbara Billings Manfredi, 33, to death with an aluminum baseball bat in March 1985 during an argument in their bedroom.

Prosecutors claimed he threw her body out a second-floor window while their three young sons were in the West Hartford home and staged a car accident to cover up the crime.

Defense lawyers claimed Manfredi was denied his constitutional rights when a judge ordered him to undergo a psychiatric examination, but his conviction was upheld by the state Appellate Court and the Connecticut Supreme Court.

A brief hearing was held Thursday in Hartford Superior Court and Manfredi was then transported to the Somers prison for processing, said William Wheeler, spokesman for the state Correction Department.

Manfredi does not qualify for home release and would have to serve 10 years before becoming eligible for parole.

Once in custody, however, he could ask for a review of his incarceration by a federal district judge. His attorney, Michael Sheldon of the University of Connecticut law clinic, said he would consult with Manfredi about the

last-ditch maneuver.

Manfredi had been living in Pennsylvania and working as an educator and counselor at St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center in Paterson, N.J.

He had been barred by Connecticut and Pennsylvania court orders from having any contact with his sons. The boys, now 8, 11 and 13, are under the legal guardianship of their mother's sister and her husband in Dunmore, Pa.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Big U.S. investors seeking better returns on interest rates and gains on appreciating currencies shifted $20.9 billion into foreign stocks and bonds in the first half of 1990, up sharply from $8.1 billion in the same period in 1989, the Securities Industry Association said Thursday.

Meanwhile, foreign investors - wary of a faltering U.S. economy and the declining dollar - dramatically curtailed U.S. investments. Their net buying of American stocks and bonds plunged to $3.2 billion from $42.3 billion in the 1989 six months.

Leading this trend were Japanese investors, who removed some $10 billion from the United States in this year's first half, the group said.

The association's report on foreign activity was entitled ''From Locomotive to Caboose'' - suggesting that U.S. financial markets over the next few years may take a subordinate role to those abroad.

''I would sense that we see foreign money leaving the United States for the same reasons that U.S. money is leaving,'' said David Strongin, international finance director for the association. Namely: more advantageous interest rates overseas and strengthening foreign currencies.

Throughout 1989, large institutional investors, whether U.S. or foreign, have shifted investment funds into government and corporate bonds paying higher net interest, after inflation is factored in, than their U.S. equivalents. German and Japanese rates, in particular, have risen as U.S. rates decline.

Another big consideration for global money managers is whether the currencies in which bonds are priced are appreciating. As the dollar has fallen to newlows against the German mark and other currencies, the value of U.S. Treasury bonds has slipped relative to that of foreign bonds.

''They're buying into strengthening currencies, so on the way out they should not only get higher yield but earn on the currency play,'' when bonds priced in foreign currencies are cashed in for dollars, Strongin said.

''Higher interest differentials, higher interest rates obtainable overseas - those are the factors that have really contributed to it,'' said money manager Maddis Senner, president of SunRay Securities Inc.

''It's also just a general pessimism as to the state of the U.S. financial system on the part of money managers, just pessimism in general.''

Senner and Strongin both said they believed an important psychological factor was the dramatic political and economic revolution that has replaced Marxist states in Eastern Europe with emerging capitalist, democratic societies.

''U.S. investors going overseas is just the process of globalization ... and (they are) trying to benefit from East Bloc opportunities,'' Senner said.

Declining foreign investment in the United States has clear ramifications for U.S. government debt financing, the report said. From 1980 to 1989, the share of U.S. Treasury issues bought by foreigners rose from 14 to 24 percent - but in the first half of 1990 plunged to a mere 0.3 percent.

The securities group said U.S. investment in foreign equities, another term for stocks, rose by a net of $6.2 billion in the first half of 1990, against net purchases of $4.9 billion in the same period of 1989.

U.S. investors, led by cash-laden institutions like insurance companies and pension funds, put a record net $14.7 billion into foreign bonds of all kinds in the period, higher than the $3.2 billion net in the 1989 period.

That made for net U.S. first-half overseas investment of $20.9 billion vs. $8.1 billion in the first six months of 1989. First-quarter net securities purchases overseas by U.S. investors set a new record at $11.5 billion.

An even starker picture emerges when U.S. and foreign investment flows in and out of the United States are combined. The first half saw a $17.7 net capital outflow, against a $34.4 billion net inflow in the 1989 period.

''We think it's fascinating,'' said Strongin. ''It shows the times are changing.''

Comparing the first and second quarters of this year, U.S. investors surged into European stocks in the earlier three months for a net purchase of $5.9 billion. Net stock buying then dropped off to just $299 million in the latter period.

Similarly, U.S. investors slowed their movement into Eurobonds in the second quarter as net purchases declined to $5.6 billion from $9.1 billion, reflecting doubts about the inflationary effects of uniting East Germany with West Germany.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - A messenger who worked for a Wall Street area delivery service pleaded guilty Thursday to charges he stole $133,000 in checks to buy fur coats and cruise around town in luxury cars, sipping expensive champagne.

To fuel his taste for the high life, Earl Small, 27, stole 60 checks from mail bags he was supposed to be delivering to the U.S. Postal Service.

Small, a messenger for the Wall Street Mail Pickup Service Inc., had picked up the mail bags from Marine Midland Bank, Investment Financial Corp., the YMCA Retirement Fund, and the firm of Brown, Brother and Harriman Co.

Small admitted he picked out the checks in the back of the truck and brought them to Wayne Melvin, 26, a convicted drug dealer.

Melvin had an assistant, Matthew Burke, 19, store the checks.

Then, Melvin had them cashed by three of his girlfriends: Dana Henderson, 23, a Chemical Bank customer who used her bank account to cash checks, Robin Hampton, who used her Citibank account, and Carmen Winn, 22, who used her position as a teller at Exte Bank in Manhattan.

Authorities said the money financed their extravagant lifestyle. They rented Bentleys and Jaguars, purchased cases of Dom Perignon and fur coats.

Small, of Brooklyn, pleaded guilty Thursday to charges of criminal possession of stolen property. As part of a plea agreement, he was promised a prison sentence of two to six years.

A similar plea bargain was struck Thursday by Melvin, who is currently serving one to three years on a narcotics conviction. He pleaded to criminal possession of stolen property and was promised a consecutive sentence of two and a half to seven and a half years in prison.

Burke, of Brooklyn, pleaded innocent to conspiracy, stolen property and grand larceny.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - Assets of the nation's 522 money-market mutual funds rose by $865.4 million to $409.96 billion in the week ended Wednesday, the Investment Company Institute reported Thursday.

The Washington-based institute said broker-dealer fund assets increased $85.6 million to $165.9 billion, while those of general- purpose funds increased $192.9 million to $145.74 billion and those of institutional funds advanced$586.9 million to $99.03 billion.

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money-market funds to the Federal Reserve each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.48 percent, up from 7.47 the previous week, and 30-day simple yields were unchanged at 7.47 percent.

The average maturity of fund portfolios rose to 47 days from the prior week's 46.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.88 percent, unchanged; Super-Now accounts, 4.97 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.48 percent, down from 7.49; 1-year CDs, 7.58 percent, down from 7.59; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.67 percent, down from 7.69; and five-year CDs, 7.80 percent, unchanged.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.22 percent, down from 8.25 a week earlier.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.71 percent from 9.76, while the average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage dropped to 10.02 percent from 10.06.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan sank to 12.19 percent from 12.23.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - The government approved the first new vaccine for young babies in 28 years Thursday, giving its blessing to a series of shots that shields infants from an infection that can kill them or leave them blind, deaf or retarded.

The vaccine is designed to guard against Haemophilus influenzae type b bacteria, which can cause meningitis - a potentialy lethal inflammation of the brain and spinal cord - and other potentially lethal diseases.

Haemophilus b disease attacks one out of every 200 children in the United States before age 5, said officials for Lederle-Praxis Biologicals of Wayne, N.J., which will market the vaccine.

''We believe that the new use of this vaccine will prevent a serious, contagious disease responsible for the majority of cases of meningitis, which can lead to brain damage and death in infants, in the United States today,'' Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan said in a statement.

Previously, the vaccine was approved only for use in children age 18 months or older because Lederle had not conducted enough tests to prove it was effective in young babies. However, most cases of Haemophilus b disease occur between six and 12 months of age.

More than 5,000 infants under 12 months are stricken by Haemophilus b disease each year, and about 800 of those babies die, federal health statistics show. In addition, about 38 percent of children who survive have neurological complications that may include blindness, deafness, mental retardation or paralysis.

The FDA said the new vaccine is the first routine vaccine it has licensed for young infants since the oral poliovirus vaccine in 1962. The immunization is given in a series of shots that starts two months after birth and continues at four months and six months. A booster dose is also needed at 15 months or older.

''Pediatricians can now administer HibTITER (the trade name for the new vaccine) simultaneously with other childhood vaccines at the age when infants need the most protection against invasive Haemophilus b disease,'' said Dr. David Smith, developer of the vaccine.

The vaccine can be given at the same times as the diptheria and tetanus toxoid and pertussis vaccine, and the oral polio vaccine, the FDA said.

In addition to the brain inflammation, other infections associated with Haemophilus influenzae type b include a frequently fatal inflammation of the flap covering the windpipe and pneumonia.

Lederle officials said the estimated annual cost of illnesses in the United States caused by Haemophilus b disease is more than $2.5 billion. Lederle plans to sell the vaccine series to pediatricians at a cost of about $58 per child.

Tests of the vaccine, which involved about 60,000 infants at the Kaiser Permanente Pediatric Vaccine Study Center in Oakland, Calif, found no serious side effects, the FDA said. Minor side effects include swelling and warmth at the shot site, and occasional fever.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 4) UPI - Actress Roseanne Barr and her husband filed a

$145-million lawsuit Thursday against the National Enquirer and the Star, alleging the tabloids illicitly obtained love letters stolen from them.

The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court, accuses the tabloids invasion of privacy, possession of stolen property, copyright infringment and infliction of emotional distress for publishing excerpts from four letters.

The Enquirer also was accused of racketeering for its alleged ''participation in a scheme to obtain the private papers and effects of celebrities by ... paying persons and entities to steal such information,'' the suit said.

The suit alleged the Enquirer pays its ''agents'' thousands of dollars to steal the personal effects of celebrities as part of a nationwide racketeering conspiracy.

Barr wrote the letters to her husband, Tom Arnold, shortly before the couple was married Jan. 20. Excerpts from the letters were printed in the Star on Jan. 6 and in the Enquirer on Feb. 6.

In one of the excerpts, Barr wrote, ''First comes love, then comes marriage, then comes Tommy with a baby carriage. I love you. I love Thomas Arnold.''

But the Enquirer told its readers other parts of the letters would not be published, describing them as ''raunchy'' and ''eye-opening.''

The letters apparently were stolen from Arnold's possession in January, the suit said, adding that the theft strikes to the ''root of the free and mutual interchange of opinions and sentiments between loving adults, which is essential to the well-being of society.''

In the lawsuit, the couple claims the tabloids have ''threatened to telecopy and fax the purloined letters to news agencies and other editors throughout the U.S.'' The suit seeks to enjoin the tabloids from releasing the letters for further publication.

Barr and Arnold are the most recent in a long line of celebrities who have filed suits against the Enquirer and other tabloids.

Last month, Elizabeth Taylor sued the Enquirer for printing an article alleging that her doctors were outraged that she was ''boozing it up'' while hospitalized earlier this year for a prolonged illness.

In the lawsuit filed by Barr and Arnold, the couple seeks at least $20 million in general damages and a $125 million in punitive award from the Enquirer and Star publishers News America Publishing Inc. and Murdoch Magazines.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 4) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev issued a new decree Thursday allowing enterprises to negotiate wholesale prices as one of the first steps toward a market economy.

The official Tass news agency said the decree would broaden the economic independence of enterprises and ''increase their motivation in boosting output and production efficiency.''

Under the Soviet Union's centrally planned economy nearly all wholesale prices are currently set by the government.

Tass said Thursday's decree will allow for the ''extensive use of negotiated wholesale prices in dealings between economic enterprises.''

The decree was Gorbachev's second on the transition to a market economy since the Supreme Soviet gave him new economic powers less than two weeks ago. The first decree, on Sept. 27, ordered local governments and enterprises to honor contractual obligations through 1991.

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WELLESELEY, Mass. (OCT. 4) UPI - The on-again, off-again proposed sale of EG&G Inc.'s fluid component technology subsidiaries has fallen through, the company said Thursday.

The latest plan called for EG&G to sell its five separate businesses to TI Group PLC for $240 million. But EG&G said it had ''terminated'' negotiations and declined to explain the sticking point in its talks with the British company.

The businesses earmarked for sale included EG&G Sealol and Sealol Industrial, in Warwick and Cranston, R.I. respectively, Pressure Science in Beltsville, Md., KT Aerofab in El Cajon, Calif. and a joint venture, Sealol Eagle in Japan said Deborah S. Lorenz, a spokeswoman for EG&G.

EG&G last summer disclosed plans to sell the properties first to TI but later said a Japanese company, NOK Corp., had made a higher bid. TI later came back with the still higher $240 million offer, EG&G said.

Lorenz declined to say whether the divisions would be put up for sale again. ''Right now we're just taking time to figure out how to proceed,'' she said.

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TORONTO (OCT. 4) UPI - A class action law suit has been filed against

Northern Telecom Inc. for allegedly wiretapping telephone calls and tapping private conversations at a Nashville repair plant, union leaders said Thursday.

The Canadian Auto Workers union said in a statement that the wiretapping was related to efforts by the company to thwart organizing efforts at the Nashville Repair and Overhaul Center from 1976 to 1984.

The suit alleges that Northern Telecom secretly taped private telephone conversations and private conversations between employees by means of hidden microphones throughout the plant between August, 1976 and April, 1984.

The CAW, which represents Northern Telecom workers in Canada, said the Communication Workers of America is seeking up to $3 million in damages, or $100 a day for each day the wiretaps were in place.

''The charges against Northern Telecom are serious,'' the CAW said.

The CAW said the suit was filed on behalf of about 1,000 employees, managers, union officials and others whose conversations were allegedly overheard.

The Nashville repair facility employs some 200 to 250 workers, a company spokeswoman said, adding the plant is not unionized.

Linda Henson, a spokeswoman for Northern Telecom Inc., said in a telephone interview from Nashville that ''the suit is going to be defended. We are going to go to court.''

Henson, who said the suit was filed in Federal Court in Nashville Sept. 13, declined to discuss the union's allegations, saying ''as long as a suit is under litigation, I do not discuss it.''

Northern Telecom Inc., headquarted in Nashville, is the United States subsidiary of telecommunications giant Northern Telecom Ltd. of Toronto.

Henson said only 1 to 1.5 percent of Northern Telecom's 22,000 U.S. employees are unionized.

The Communication Workers of America, the Communication Workers of Canada and the Auto Workers were scheduled to hold a joint news conference in Toronto Friday to provide further details on the law suit.

Northern Telecom is a supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems. It reported 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion.

The company reported second quarter earnings of $95.7 million, or 37 cents a share.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - House Speaker Thomas Foley says President Bush will let Congress make some changes in the budget agreement, once it's initially approved. Foley says that's NOT a new understanding with the White House, but it apparently needs to be re-stated in order to help win Democratic votes. The House is to vote on the plan today or tomorrow. Foley's comments came after he met with Bush to discuss how much flexibility Congress would have in changing the plan.

The Bush administration has begun its campaign to gain approval of an agreement to cut conventional forces in Europe... showing Moscow will have to destroy many more weapons than the West. Some of those figures were confirmed officially today by Secretary of State Baker. He finished the so-called C-F-E negotiations with Soviet Foreign Minister Shevaradnadze two days ago.

In Louisiana, the Republican-backed candidate for U-S Senate is withdrawing from Saturday's primary. An aide says Ben Bagert is dropping out in order to deny former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke a chance to force the Democratic incumbent into a run-off.

An outbreak of St. Louis encephalitis is reported in Florida, where 28 cases have been confirmed in five weeks. It forced cancellation of night football games and other activities after dark, when mosquitoes that carry the disease are most active.

Tropical storm Klaus is strengthening as it approaches the northeast Caribbean Sea, with maximum sustained winds near 60 miles an hour. At last report, Klaus was 95 miles east-southeast of Antigua in the Leeward Islands, moving northwest at near two miles an hour.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Guatemalan authorities say murder charges have been filed against five soldiers and two others for their role in the killing of a U-S citizen last June. Michael Devine was kidnapped in Guatemala on June 8th, and his body was found the next day.

The European Community Executive Commission adopted a 45-and-a-half-Million-dollar program today to help cut energy use by 12 percent over the next five years.

A judge in Santa Monica, California, agreed today to tentatively delay the start of Christian Brando's murder trial, giving prosecutors more time to subpoena his half sister in Tahiti. The judge set a new trial date of November 5th for actor Marlon Brando's son.

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FORT WORTH, Texas(OCT. 4) UPI - The president of a group of royalty owners of oil and gas interests Thursday said some politicians are planning to enact new punitive taxes that could devastate his group's members.

Jim Stafford, president of the National Association of Royalty Owners, addressing the group's meeting in Fort Worth, Texas, said unless the members acted quickly, they could expect a replay of the 1980 federal energy policy which produced the windfall profits tax.

''The last time we ignored the warnings, it cost 2.5 million royalty owners over a third of their income,'' Stafford said. ''It also cost the United States over 50 percent of our independent producers and resulted in wells being abandoned every 30 minutes.''

He said if a similar tax is enacted, ''there will be very, very few survivors.''

Stafford said three pending bills, which would reinstate the windfall profits tax, are receiving growing support.

He said outside the oil patch, the public is again turning its anger over high gasoline prices back to the domestic producer ''who will become the sacrificial goat for the futures traders, speculators, refiners, marketers and a global conflic.''

Stafford asked the group's 5,100 members to press for a national energy policy that will encourage domestic production in the lower 48 states and focus heavily on secondary and enhanced recovery which he said would double U.S. oil reserves.

He also proposed there be a reexamination of a tax on imported oil and a floor price for oil to spur domestic drilling.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 4) UPI - The Catholic church has the right to evict a theater group using a church-owned facility to stage a play about a clergyman who kills a pregnant woman in an automobile accident while drunk, a judge ruled Thursday.

The RAPP Arts Center, which does not perform on Thursdays, will appeal the ruling and was considering moving the Friday night production of ''The Cardinal Detoxes'' to another location, said theater spokesman Brian Drutman.

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York, which owns the former parochial school being used as a playhouse, went to court to enforce the termination of its lease with the RAPP Arts Center.

The Archdiocese claimed that under the terms of the 1986 lease, the troupe was prohibited from performances involving obscenity, nudity, pornography or anything that would justify an R or X rating.

The lease also included a catch-all ban of any production ''the church may deem detrimental to its reputation.''

The off-off-Broadway production is a 35-minute monologue is about a clergyman living in a church detoxification center because he killed a pregnant woman in an automobile accident while driving drunk.

State judge Irma Santaella ruled the theater violated the lease, rejecting the troupe's argument that the church infringed on its constitutional right to free expression.

''In this case, the artistic director admits he signed the lease of his own free will and accepted the conditions of the church,'' Santaella ruled.

''As a tenant, he had freedom of choice and free speech and he waived it. He allowed the church to define his First Amendment rights knowingly.''

In a seven-hour hearing, the troupe's lawyer, Richard Sbeglia, urged Santaella to cut down the ''unconscionable'' catch-all provision and let the show go on.

''The court should not enforce any restriction in a contract or lease that deprives anyone of their constitutional rights, especially when it is at the whim of another party,'' said Sbeglia.

But the church's lawyer, Frank McLaughlin Jr., argued that the group waived its constitutional rights when it signed the lease. He said the production caused ''irreparable damage'' to the church's reputation.

A spokesman for the Archdiochese, Joseph Zwilling, cheered Santaella's ruling.

''It confirms what we have said all along that this was not a constitutional question. It was simply a landlord-tenant dispute and they violated the lease '' Zwilling said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., appeared before the Senate Ethics Committee Thursday and emerged expressing confidence the panel will clear him of wrongdoing in connection with campaign contributor Charles

Keating.

The committee is investigating allegations McCain and four other senators improperly intervened with federal banking regulators on Keating's behalf when his Lincoln Savings and Loan Association was headed toward collapse.

Keating, now jailed on federal charges of fraud and securities violations stemming from junk bond sales by Lincoln, had contributed large sums of money to the campaigns of each of the senators.

McCain, the only Republican among the five, spent nearly three hours before the Ethics Committee Thursday, his second meeting with the panel since its inquiry began last December.

He told reporters afterward that he expected to be ''totally exonerated'' by the committee, but he acknowledged the probe has taken its toll.

''Personally, it has been difficult. Politically, it has been damaging,'' he said, adding, ''Many people in Arizona will judge my conduct by how the Ethics Committee judges me.''

McCain declined to talk about what was discussed during the meeting, saying only, ''I believe every question was answered, hopefully to the satisfaction of the committee. I feel good.''

Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, also a target of the investigation, appeared before the committee for about 2 1/2 hours on Wednesday.

The New York Times reported Thursday the committee's special counsel, Robert Bennett, has recommended McCain and Glenn be dropped from the investigation because there was no pattern of ''credible evidence'' that they had sought to exchange political favors for contributions.

The Times reported Bennett recommended the panel to proceed with its inquiry of three other senators - Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., Alan Cranston, D-Calif., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich.

The Ethics Committee issued a statement later in the day noting the appearance of recent news accounts of its inquiry and saying, ''These articles have contained a number of inaccuracies, distortions and misstatements.''

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KANSAS CITY, Kan. (OCT. 4) UPI - Three defendants in a natural gas price-fixing lawsuit - Amoco Production Co., Oxy USA Inc. and Williams Natural Gas Co. - have agreed to pay $212 million in a settlement announced Thursday by state officials in Kansas and Missouri.

The settlement, which ended a six-year legal battle, was approved Thursday by U.S. District Judge Earl O'Connor.

A settlement was reached with Amoco Production, of Chicago, and Oxy USA last month, and an agreement was reached with Williams Natural Gas Wednesday night, said Kansas Attorney General Bob Stephan.

The plaintiffs, including Kansas and Missouri and utilities in both states, will receive $91.5 million in cash over the next two years and $120.5 million in cash over the next 20 years, said Missouri Attorney General William Webster.

The companies allegedly conspired to fix prices of natural gas by illegally changing gas purchase contracts to double the price of gas sold to the utilities, Webster said.

''Today's settlement is the largest price-fixing recovery in the history of both Missouri and Kansas,'' Webster said. ''Customers who were overcharged for natural gas will recover 100 percent of the overcharges. We estimate Missouri customers will receive more than $50 million in cash and discounted gas. In addition, commercial users will receive substantial benefits.''

The case started in 1984 when KPL Gas Service of Topeka, Kan., and two other utilities filed a lawsuit against a gas pipeline company and two natural gas producers.

''We're very pleased for our 1 million customers in Missouri and Kansas,'' said Tom Hall, KPL spokesman. ''We think it comes at a wonderful time and that the customers will benefit from this for many years to come.''

Other penalties included an additional gas stream of 800 billion cubic feet that must be dedicated to Kansas and Missouri customers over the next 20 years Stephan said.

''That gas will be provided to the customers at a very favorable price,'' Hall said. ''Not only will that make it favorable for residential customers, but for businesses to expand in Missouri and Kansas and to attract new business interest as well.''

Other plaintiffs in the lawsuit were Utilicorp United Inc. and Farmland Industries Inc., both of Kansas City, Mo., and Kansas Gas and Electric Co. of Wichita, Kan.

Farmland Industries, a farm cooperative with thousands of Kansas members, is ''the largest industrial user of natural gas in this state for its fertilizer plants in Lawrence and Dodge City and its refinery in Coffeyville,'' Stephan said.

The settlement would result in substantial benefits to Farmland members, he said.

KPL had allowed the attorneys general in Kansas and Missouri to negotiate on behalf of consumers who bought natural gas from the three utilities who sued the suppliers.

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PATERSON, NJ (OCT. 4) UPI - A state judge Thursday denied a father's request for an abortion for his mentally incompetent daughter who may have become pregnant as a result of rape.

Afterward, the father of the woman, whose identity was being withheld, withdrew his request for an abortion, saying he felt his daughter's pregnancy was too far advanced.

''After talking with the doctors I feel we should let her go to full term,'' said the father, who is the woman's legal guardian. ''I don't now feel she should terminate the pregnancy. ... It's too late in the pregnancy. She is at risk.''

State Superior Court Judge Amos Saunders ruled, after hearing medical testimony, that an abortion would be risky at this point in the pregnancy and not in the woman's best medical interests. He did not elaborate.

The 33-year-old divorced mother of three, who suffered severe neurological damage during childbirth six years ago, told the judge during an afternoon visit to the nursing homewhere she lives that she wanted to bring the 23-week-old fetus to term.

''I chatted with the young lady,'' Judge Amos Saunders told the court. ''I indicated that I, along with others, were concerned about her health. She said she understood what pregnant was. She also said she wanted to have the baby.''

Saunders said it was not known under what circumstances the woman had become pregnant, but rape is suspected, and there are unprecedented legal questions over who has control of the fetus.

The woman's physician, Dr. Joseph Scian, testified in a deposition that the ''latest possible (time for) termination within medically accepted safe standards'' is Oct. 5.

He said she ''is very healthy except for her obvious neurolgical difficulty'' and that ''the risk is normal for birth for a woman her age despite her impaired mental condition.''

An ultrasound test conducted Wednesday showed a normally developed fetus, Scian said.

Sam Destito, the woman's court-appointed guardian, had suggested that the woman undergo gynecological and psychological examinations to determine whether having the baby would be safer than having an abortion.

''We do not know if it is more traumatic for her to bring the child into the world and then have to give it up for adoption or to abort it now,'' Destito said.

In court documents, the father said he feared his daughter had been raped at the Daughters of Mariam Center nursing home where she lived in nearby Clifton. He had requested six months ago that she be removed from the facility but was denied court approval when the home argued that the woman would suffer a psychological setback if she were removed.

The father now has private nurses at his daughter's bedside around the clock.

Steven Schilsky, assistant executive director of the nursing home, said the home discovered Sept. 18 that the woman was 21 weeks pregnant and, suspecting rape, immediately notified Clifton police.

The Passaic County prosecutor's office has joined the investigation.

Schilsky said there is a question as to where any rape might have occurred, saying the woman leaves the center to attend a church-related support group for young disabled people.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) UPI - The Agriculture Department is making the case within the Bush administration for offering export credits to the Soviet Union a senior department official said Thursday.

However, the official said the issue must be resolved ''consistent with broader policy issues.'' For months, the administration has linked improved economic ties to the Kremlin to enactment of Soviet laws guaranteeing free emigration.

''We're interested in providing credits,'' said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity. ''We have been presenting our interest in doing this to other agencies.''

In the past, the Soviets have paid cash for purchases. Soviet officials, strapped for cash and facing deteriorating economic conditions, have expressed interest in obtaining up to $2 billion in the export credit guarantees.

The Soviet Union, the No. 1 market for U.S. grain exports, bought 20.3 million metric tons of U.S. corn and wheat in the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30.

The Agriculture Department recently offered the Soviet Union, which is in the market for flour, the chance to buy 500,000 tons of wheat flour at discount prices. It was the first time the department has offered export subsidies on anything other than wheat to the Soviets.

On Wednesday, the Soviets purchased 150,000 tons of soybean meal, its first major purchase of U.S. crops since the advent of this year's harvest. Soviet farmers are projected to harvest a near-record crop, but their country still is expected to be a major grain importer.

The official's comments were the strongest expression yet about a possible offer of credits. During the summer, the department said credits would be considered once emigration reforms were adopted.

Farm-state congressmen, worried about low domestic wheat prices and a projected decline in U.S. exports, have argued in favor of extending credits now in light of changes in Soviet regulations.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - Japanese Premier Kaifu met with an Iraqi deputy premier in Amman, Jordan, today... and appealed for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. A spokesman says Kaifu made it clear that Iraq must leave Kuwait before peace talks could take place. A Jordanian spokesman says the Iraqi official told Kaifu that Baghdad rejects any peace talks while the U-S-led multi-national force remains in the region. Kaifu also met today with Jordan's King Hussein.

Fuel price hikes stemming from the Persian Gulf crisis could end up affecting city services in the United States. The U-S Conference of Mayors says a survey of 50 cities shows costs for fuel needed to run police cars, fire trucks and other vehicles rose more than 30 percent in August. Conference director Thomas Cochran says that for most of those cities, the higher fuel costs ''will likely translate into cuts in public services.''

The state that uses the most energy per person is... Alaska, NOT New York. In fact, a study by the group Public Citizen says New Yorkers and New Englanders use the least energy per capita in the nation. Following Alaska, the other states in the top 10 energy-users are Wyoming, Louisiana, Texas, North Dakota, Indiana, Kansas, West Virginia, Montana and Oklahoma. Those states have less than 15 percent of the nation's population but account for more than 25 percent of America's energy use.

The grumbling in the Soviet Union is growing louder. An article in today's

Communist Party newspaper Pravda blames the country's economic crisis on the rise of democracy. Pravda also compared President Gorbachev's perestroika drive with the ''failed'' reforms of former Soviet leader Nikita Krushchev.

The Walt Disney Company filed a federal lawsuit in Orlando today, accusing 37 Florida retailers and distributors of selling products illegally adorned with Disney characters. It's the 26th such anti-piracy action undertaken by Disney since 1985... and indicates that Disney apparently does NOT consider copyright infringement to be a ''Mickey Mouse'' offense.

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 4) UPI - U.S. and Soviet officials said Thursday that they are exploring ways to reactivate a U.N. committee to command the various military forces facing Iraq.

U.S. Assistant Secretary for International Affairs John Bolton and Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Vladimir Petrovski held a news conference and discussed the U.N. Charter and its parts addressing the right to engage in military action.

Bolton said, ''The preferred solution here is the political and diplomatic one.'' But he added that there had already been two meetings of the U.N. Military Staff Committee to consider forming a U.N. command in the gulf.

The committee was created when the United Nations was founded in 1945 but ''was dead on arrival because of Cold War tension,'' Bolton said.

The committee ''is like sleeping beauty,'' Petrovski added, and ''needs a kiss of life from all member states.''

The United States has 170,000 troops in Saudi Arabia. They were rushed to that country following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. France, Britain and several Arab countries have also sent substantial forces to Saudi Arabia, which invited the foreign troops because it feared an Iraqi attack. The Soviet Union said it will send troops only under a U.N. command.

Although the United Nations has ordered Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait and has authorized a naval and air blockade of that country, it hasn't voted on any resolutions dealing directly with the foreign troops in Saudi Arabia.

Bolton said that Article 51 of the U.N. Charter, which gives nations the right of self-defense, would justify actions by the allied troops. But he said the United States was considering Article 42, which says the U.N. Security Council may call for joint military action by member states ''to restore international peace and security.''

Petrovski declined to say if the Soviet Union felt that Article 51 gave the allied troops the right to engage in military action without U.N. approval. But he said that ''it is necessary to act within the framework of the United Nations,'' implying that he favored activating Article 42 should military force be deemed necessary.

Both officials issued a joint statement committing both countries to strengthen U.N. efforts to promote international peace, and to establish ''a new sense of responsibility at the United Nations by encouraging the trend away from rhetorical excess toward efforts to deal pragmatically with the major issues of the 1990s.''

The statement also committed the two countries to clearing up their arrears to the United Nations. The United States, which owes just over $500 million, and the Soviet Union, which owes about $125 million, are the two largest debtors.

Bolton said that President Bush is ''outraged'' that America ''is the biggest deadbeat at the United Nations,'' and has asked Congress to approve paying off one-fifth of the arrears in each of the next five years.

The Soviet Union is up to date on its regular payments to the United Nations, Petrovski said, but didn't make contributions to the peacekeeping forces for many years. He said the Soviet Union reversed its policy three years ago and since then has brought its arrears down from $200 million.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 4) UPI - A veteran federal narcotics agent was indicted Thursday on charges allegedly stole more than $1,700 confiscated from a drug dealer.

Eddie B. Hill, 49, currently a mid-level manager assigned to the Drug Enforcement Administration's ''cocaine desk'' in Washington, allegedly embezzled the money from the defendant in June 1987 after being told to return it to the man following his drug trial in Los Angeles, the three- count indictment charged.

Robert C. Bonner, head of the DEA in Washington, said that allegations of Hill's wrongdoing were regretful and that ''criminal violations by personnel of the DEA are rare.''

''I will not tolerate illegal behavior by DEA personnel,'' Bonner added.

Hill, a 15-year veteran with the DEA, faces a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison and a $750,000 fine if convicted.

The charges against him allege he embezzled money and lied about funds he was

ordered to return to convicted drug dealer John Missas Lopez.

Following Missas Lopez's trial, the prosecutor in the case entrusted the money - $1,780 in all - to Hill to return to Missas. The money had been confiscated from Missas when he was arrested in 1985 by the DEA. The cash, however, was not proven to be drug profits.

The U.S. Attorney's Office received numerous inquiries about the missing funds and an investigation was launched.

Questioned about the missing money, Hill allegedly lied to a prosecutor that he had given it to another DEA agent to return to Missas while the defendant was in jail.

Hill, following his questioning, allegedly tried to return the money secretly, enlisting the aid of a DEA informant and a private investigator in San Diego to help him send about $1,895 to the U.S. Attorney's Office along with other property belonging to the defendant.

Assistant U.S. Attorney William Fahey declined to say whether investigators had uncovered any more evidence of alleged corruption by DEA agents in connection with the Hill case.

The prosecutor, however, said the investigation ''is still very active and continuing.''

Hill allegedly embezzled the money at about the same time several other DEA agents - including international karate champion Darnell Garcia - were under investigation for conspiring to sell millions of dollars of cocaine and heroin through a nationwide drug distribution ring from 1983 to 1988.

The 1988 indictments of Garcia and DEA agents John Jackson and Wayne Countryman marked the most sensational of three DEA corruption cases around the country at the time, involving seven agents who allegedly crossed the line from fighting illicit drug trafficking to participating in crime.

Countryman and Jackson pleaded guilty earlier this year. Garcia, who was a fugitive until his arrest last year in the tiny European country of Luxembourg faces trial Oct. 23.

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SAN JOSE, Calif. (OCT. 4) UPI - Two brothers involved in a ring that plotted to steal supercomputer technology for sale to the Soviet Union pleaded guilty Thursday to federal conspiracy charges.

Ivan-Pierre Batinic of Fremont, pleading guilty before U.S. District Court

Judge William Ingram, admitted he conspired to violate the federal Export Administration Act and conspired to transport stolen property.

His brother, Steven, of Mountain View, pleaded guilty to one count of conpiracy to transport stolen property.

Ingram set sentencing for Jan. 11. Violating the Export Administration Act carries a potential sentence of 10 years in prison and a $250,000 fine, court authorities said. The transporting stolen property count could mean a maximum five years in prison and a $250,000 fine.

A third defendant, computer programmer Keven E. Anderson of Fremont, who was caught trying to flee the United States in October 1987, earlier pleaded guilty to one count of transporting stolen property and on Aug. 12, 1988 was sentenced to six years in prison.

Anderson's sentence was later modified and he was released from prison in January.

A fourth defendant, Charles Julius McVey, who authorities said was the mastermind of the computer theft ring, fled California in 1983 after he was indicted on earlier charges involving the illegal sale of computers to the Soviet Union. He was arrested in the small Canadian town of Teslin in the Yukon Territory and is still fighting extradition to the United States from Vancouver.

All four men were indicted by a federal grand jury on Nov. 3, 1987 on eight felony counts stemming from an alleged plot to steal technology and technical data from Saxpy Computer Corp. of Sunnyvale between May and October 1987.

The indictment said that the Saxpy supercomputer technology the ring intended to sell to the Soviets would have earned them more than $4 million.

The investigaton began in August 1987, when Ivan-Pierre Batinic and Anderson were searched clearing U.S. Customs in Vancouver and were found to be in possession of approximately $10,000 in $100 bills.

Investigators said the money was given to the pair by McVey, who had in his possession at the time of his arrest property belonging to the Saxpy company.

The indictment alleged Ivan-Pierre Batinic had stolen the items while employed at Saxpy.

Additional Saxpy technology in the form of manuals, reel-to-reel computer tapes and floppy discs were found in a storage locker, rented by Anderson in Fremont.

Defense Department experts said the technology had a direct military

application and would have proven detrimental to U.S. national security interest if it had gotten to the Soviet Union.

The technology would have given the Soviets the capability to develop a supercomputer which, in the event of war, could anticipate American missile strikes, federal prosecutors said.

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LAS VEGAS, NV (OCT. 4) UPI - A 31-year-old quadriplegic kept alive mechanically since he was a child managed to pull out his breathing tube Thursday and died while his right-to-die request was pending before the state Supreme Court, his step-father said.

Kenneth Bergstedt waited almost six months for the courts to decide whether he could die peacefully by having a doctor unplug his ventilator after administering a sleeping medication.

Ronald Bergstedt, who has cared for his adopted son single-handedly since the death of his wife in 1978, called police Thursday when he found that his son was dead. He told officers his son had somehow managed to get his breathing tube out of his mouth.

State District Judge Donald Mosley granted Bergstedt's petition for a right-to-die last June, but stayed the order until the precedent setting case could be reviewed by the Nevada Supreme Court. Mosley ruled the death would not be ruled a suicide and that anyone who helped disconnect the ventilator would not face prosecution.

On the day of Bergstedt's death, the Nevada Supreme Court still had not handed down an opinion, despite pleas by family lawyers that the case be expedited.

''I just have to think the considerations that he had must have been very important to him because I know he wanted to set a legal precedent, '' Mosley said Thursday.

Chief Supreme Court Justice Cliff Young, contacted in Carson City, said the court now will decide whether to consider the case moot because of Bergstedt's death or issue an opinion because of the importance of the case.

''There will be more questions like this.'' Young said. The Chief Justice said he favored writing an opinion, but stressed he was only one of five justices. They will decide what to do about the case when they convene next week.

Kenneth Bergstedt's greatest fear was that when his terminally ill father died he would face a lingering, painful death or be placed in institutional care. The father and son lived alone in a modest mobile home.

''He was afraid he would be all by himself on the machine and drown. It would take him four to six hours to die. It would be a painful process,'' the elderBergstedt said in an interview last summer, explaining that the water build-up in his son's ventilator had to be drained every hour around the clock.

The younger Bergstedt was paralyzed in a 1969 swimming pool accident in Indiana when he was less than 10 years old.

''He just wanted to go,'' Bergstedt, 65, said Thursday. ''I keep thinking of him and wanting to go in and check on him, but he is gone. They took him away this morning. He will be cremated.''

Police spokesman Steve Ducharme said the father told investigators his son asked him to unplug the life support systems Wednesday night, but that he told him he could not grant the death wish. Ducharme said Bergsted told officers Thursday morning that he ''woke up and saw that the (tracheotomy) tube had been removed and that his son apparently had unhooked himself.''

An autopsy is pending and homicide detectives are investigating the death.

Attorney Jack Cherry, who represented the Bergstedts in the right-to- die court petition, said Thursday: ''I guess Kenneth just decidied that he had gone as far as he wanted to go. I just hope that he has found whatever peace he was looking for.

No funeral is planned.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (OCT. 4) UPI - A judge dealt prosecutors a blow Thursday in their efforts to compel actor Marlon Brando's daughter to return from Tahiti to testify at the pending murder trial of her half brother.

Superior Court Judge Joel Rudof denied the prosecution's request to issue an official letter from the court asking French Polynesian authorities to serve a federal subpoena on Cheyenne Brando, 20, if prosecutors can obtain such a subpeona.

Rudof, the acting supervising judge of the Santa Monica Superior Court, ruled that he does not have the authority to issue such a letter.

His ruling was the second judicial setback dealt prosecutors in their efforts to compel Cheyenne Brando to return from Tahiti to testify against Christian Brando, 32, charged with the murder of Cheyenne's lover, Dag Drollet, 26.

Deputy District Attorneys Steven Barshop and William Clark last month

requested that U.S. District Court Judge Terry Hatter Jr. ask French Polynesian authorities to subpeona Cheyenne, but were turned down. Hatter ruled that the prosecutors had not provided him with legal documentation showing that he had the authority to grant their request.

Clark said Thursday he and Barshop have not yet decided what they will do next on the subpoena issue. He said they are considering appealing Hatter's ruling to a federal appellate court.

The prosecutors consider Cheyenne Brando's testimony crucial to winning a first-degree murder conviction.

Christian Brando allegedly shot and killed Drollet in Marlon Brando's Hollywood Hills estate on May 16.

Christian told police that the shooting was an accident, but Cheyenne Brando told investigators in June that her half brother had premeditated the slaying.

''She stated that the shooting was not an accident like everyone was trying to make it out to be,'' police said in court documents. ''Cheyenne stated, 'It's a murder, in case you don't know it.'''

Prosecutors said that after Cheyenne gave police the statement, her father arranged for her flight to Tahiti, where she shares a dual citizenship with the U.S., to avoid testifying against Christian. Once in Tahiti, she gave birth to a boy fathered by Drollet.

In another development Thursday, Superior Court Judge Robert Thomas granted a delay in Christian's trial, which was set to begin next Tuesday, so that prosecutors can have additional time to try and subpeona Cheyenne.

Over the objections of defense attorney Robert Shapiro, the judge tentatively delayed the trial until Nov. 5. A firm, new trial date will be set next Thursday.

During Thursday's hearing before Judge Thomas, Shapiro raised questions about the mental competency and credibility of Cheyenne, saying ''she has given five conflicting statements'' about Drollet's slaying.

Outside court, Shapiro told reporters that even if Cheyenne does return to testify, he will challenge her mental competency to do so.

''She is suffering from severe emotional and mental problems and her competency as a witness is questionable,'' he said. ''She is heavily sedated, unable to travel and unable to testify.''

After Cheyenne returned to Tahiti, authorities there - spurred on by Dag Drollet's father, Jacques, a powerful political figure in Tahiti - began an

investigation of her alleged role in Drollet's slaying.

Los Angeles prosecutors do not consider Cheyenne, who has reportedly been incarcerated in a mental hospital in Tahiti, a suspect.

Prosecutors contend that Christian premeditated the slaying after Cheyenne claimed that Drollet had physically abused her.

If convicted of first-degree murder, Christian could be sentenced to 25 years to life in state prison. He does not face a possible death sentence. Christian remains free on a $4 million property bond posted by his father.

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#90277u2389 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 4) UPI - House Speaker Thomas Foley says President Bush will let Congress make changes in the budget agreement once it's initially approved. House Budget Committee Chairman Leon Panetta says that re-assurance from the president helped convince many Democrats to support the package. For that reason, Democrats decided to have the showdown House vote on the budget measure later today. Leaders earlier had considered delaying the vote until tomorrow.

The Justice Department investigation of rising gasoline prices is pushing ahead. Federal prosecutors say they are demanding documents and written explanations from the oil industry. It's part of a probe that began August 6th to determine if price-fixing played a part in sharp price hikes that followed Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. The American Automobile Association says the average price of gasoline is now 27 cents a gallon higher than on August 1st.

Secretary of State Baker revealed some details today of the U-S- Soviet agreement for reducing conventional forces in Europe. He says each side will be limited to 20-thousand tanks in Europe... which will mean the Soviets and their former allies will have to junk thousands of them. President Bush says the accord will help- quoting now- ''lift some of the shadows and fear that we and our allies have lived with for nearly half a century.'' The pact still must be approved by NATO and what is left of the Warsaw Pact.

Philippine Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos says he ordered rebellion charges filed against the man who is leading a coup attempt against President Aquino. Mutinous soldiers led by renegade Army Colonel Alexander Noble seized two southern cities today and proclaimed an independent federal state in Mindanao. The Armed Forces chief put the Philippine armed forces on red alert.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - It was the dawn of a new day for a new nation as Germans

marked the first full day of a united country since Germany was divided 45 years ago. Chancellor Helmut Kohl and other German leaders made speeches before the nation's enlarged Parliament in Berlin's restored Reichstag. Kohl assured lawmakers the nation could overcome the huge economic and social gap between its two parts.

Yugoslavian lawmakers held an emergency Croatian Assembly meeting today in Belgrade. A member of the nation's collective presidency used the meeting to introduce an initiative aimed at avoiding a possible civil war. But Anti-Serbian feelings still ran high at the session as assembly members engaged in a heated debate over growing UNrest in Serbian-dominated towns in Croatia.

A child abuse expert taking part in the UNprecedented obscenity trial of a Cincinnati museum gave testimony damaging the museum's case for displaying the controversial work of the late photographer Robert Mapplethorpe. Judith Reisman said the pictures showing nearly nude children could lead child abusers to think that it's O-K to take similar photos of their victims.

Final passage of a tough anti-crime House bill could come as early as tonight... action opponents are criticizing as election-eve posturing. House members voted today to expand the list of federal crimes that can carry the death penalty and to limit the appeals by state prisoners who face execution. But opponents predict the courts will declare the amendments UNconstitutional.

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#90277u2550 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 4) UPI - Democrats in the House decided to have the showdown vote on the budget package later today... instead of delaying it until tomorrow. The move came after House Speaker Thomas Foley said President Bush will let Congress change some parts of the program after it's initially approved. Democratic leaders say that helped sway some Democrats to support the package. But Budget Director Richard Darman says there are ''NOT yet'' enough Republican votes to ensure passage.

For the third time, the Iraqi ambassador to the United Nations has postponed his speech to the General Assembly. A U-N spokesman says the delay was requested after the ambassador suffered a severe nosebleed. The speech... set for today... now will be put off probably until next week. The talk initially was scheduled for Monday night after President Bush addressed the Assembly. The Iraqi ambassador postponed it again last night so he could attend a dinner.

Efforts to get the shuttle Discovery off the ground and those to keep it on its launch pad were taking place today. Discovery's countdown toward a Saturday blastoff was advancing without problems today at Cape Canaveral. But anti-nuclear activists in Washington made a last-ditch effort to ground the shuttle and its nuclear-powered payload. The activists are seeking a court

injunction barring the launch.

The Republican nominee for U-S Senate in Louisiana withdrew from the race today... less than 48 hours before Saturday's open primary. The move is an attempt to deny former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke a chance at a run-off with Democratic incumbent J. Bennett Johnston. Ben Bagert won the G-O-P nomination in January, but was running a poor third behind the front-runner Johnston and Duke, who also is running as a Republican.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

California - Named Richard Brown president and chief executive officer.

Chicago (AL) - Requested waivers on outfielder Jerry Hairston for the purpose of giving him his unconditional release; purchased contract of second baseman Norberto Martin from Vancouver of the Pacific Coast League (AAA); did not renew contract of Chuck Adams, vice president of public relations.

Chicago (NL) - Exercised option on contract of infielder Domingo Ramos.

Cincinnati - Announced coaching staff has been retained for next season.

Cleveland - Released pitcher Al Nipper; added outfielder Alan Cockrell to major- league roster.

Houston - Requested waivers pitcher Bill Gullickson for the purpose of giving him his unconditional release.

Seattle - Outrighted pitchers Vance Lovelace and Scott Medvin and catcher Matt Sinatro to Calgary of Pacific Coast League (AAA).

Texas - Exercised their option on pitcher Nolan Ryan's contract for 1991.

BASKETBALL

Atlanta - Signed free-agent guard Sidney Moncrief, forwards Duane Ferrell and Scott Haffner and guard Henry Turner to contracts.

Chicago - Signed forward Cliff Levingston to 2-year contract.

Cleveland - Signed forwards Winston Bennett and Chucky Brown.

Houston - Reached agreement on 1-year contract with center Jim Rowinski.

Indiana - Signed guards Kenny Williams, Darryl Johnson, and Keith Gatlin, forwards Michael Cooper and Gary Plummer, and center Greg Wiltjer.

Miami - Signed restricted free agent forward Terry Davis.

New York - Signed forward Jerrod Mustaf to 3-year contract.

Philadelphia - Signed guard Johnny Dawkins to a multi-year contract; signed guards Kenny Travis, Carlton McKinney, Greg Harvey, Luther Burks, and Ricky Green, forwards Mario Butler and Dean Kriebel, and center Brian Rahilly to one- year contracts.

San Jose (CBA) - Signed forward John Trezvant.

COLLEGE

Minnesota - Suspended tailback Marcus Evans for Saturday's game against Purdue.

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Claimed running back Mike Rozier off waivers from Houston; released running back Gene Lang.

Miami - Placed tight end-long snapper Brian Kinchen on injured reserve; signed free agent tight end Greg Baty.

HOCKEY

Buffalo - Assigned defenseman Bill Houlder and left wing Jari Sejba to Rochester of the American Hockey League.

NHL - Suspended New York Islanders defenseman Jeff Norton 8 games and Chicago Blackhawks center Adam Creighton 5 games for separate stick-swinging incidents.

NY Islanders - Assigned defensemen Marc Bergevin and Jari Gronstrand to Capital District of Amerian Hockey League.

OLYMPICS

U.S. Ski Team - Reinstated Georg Capaul as men's slalom and giant slalom coach.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - The House has begun consideration of the deficit reduction plan that contains steep tax hikes and huge spending cuts. In opening debate in support of the agreement, Tennessee Republican James Quillen said- ''If we

have to hold our nose and vote for this, let's do it because it is for the benefit of America.'' .

President Bush and leaders of both parties spent the day holding meetings, writing letters and making phone calls to wavering or undecided lawmakers.Debate is expected to take as long as four hours before a final vote is taken.

U-S and Soviet officials are exploring ways to re-activate a U-N committee to command all the military forces facing Iraq in the Persian Gulf. The panel was created in 1945 but- says one U-S official- ''was dead on arrival because of Cold War tensions.'' A Soviet official adds that the committee ''is like Sleeping Beauty'' and ''needs a kiss of life from all member states.''

Philippine authorities have sacked the commander of the southern military base over-run by mutinous soldiers yesterday. At least one governor on Mindanao island... where the rebels proclaimed an independent state... says he's taking orders from their leader because NO one else is in charge.

The Federal Drug Administration today gave its approval to the first new vaccine for babies in 28 years. The series of shots is designed to protect infants from an infection that can kill or leave babies blind, deaf or mentally retarded.

Engineers at Cape Canaveral say so far, all is ''go'' for Saturday's scheduled launch of the shuttle Discovery. But anti-nuclear activists went to court in Washington today to try to ground the orbiter and its atomic-powered solar probe cargo. A decision is expected tomorrow.

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#90277u2810 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 4) UPI - Poland announced today that it will buy one-half-Million ton of crude from Iran. Poland, Czechoslovakia and other former East Bloc countries have been left scrambling for oil following the Persian Gulf crisis and the Soviet Union's decision to curtail deliveries to former satellites. .

In Prague, Czechoslovak President Havel wants to meet with Soviet President Gorbachev this weekend to discuss the cutback he says threatens Czechoslovakia's economic recovery. Long lines were reported at gas stations as motorists expect price hikes.

French authorities are trying to determine the cause of a fiery explosion that ripped through an apartment building on the outskirts of Paris today. At least five people were killed and eight more injured, four critically.

Milwaukee police say a seven-year-old boy accidentally started a pre- dawn house fire that killed five people... including a mother and her three young

children. They say NO charges will be filed in connection with the blaze.

Actress Rosanne Barr and her husband filed a 145-Million-dollar lawsuit today in Los Angeles federal court against the National Enquirer and the Star. The suit claims that the tabloids illicitly obtained love letters stolen from them.

A Philadelphia man wanted so badly to become a police officer that authorities say he had his girlfriend take the test for him to determine eligibility to attend the city's police academy. Both now faces misdemeanor charges of fraud.

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#90277u2956 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 4) UPI - The House is now debating the bipartisan 500-BILLION-dollar deficit- reduction budget package after a day of scrambling for votes. Earlier the Democratic and Republican leadership both said they were short of a majority needed to back the plan. To ensure passage, a majority in each party in both the House and Senate must vote to approve the plan. That's to prevent finger-pointing one month before November's congressional elections.

A Senate panel is considering a bill to tighten aviation security... and the families of those killed aboard Pan Am Flight 103 told the panel today the Bush administration should stop opposing it. The legislation is based on recommendations made by a presidential commission that investigated the 1988 bombing of the jetliner over Scotland. The administration says the bill is NOT needed because many of the panel's recommendations are already being implemented.

The Hubble Space Telescope is taking good pictures in outer space... despite its optical flaws. Astronomers at the Space Telescope Science Institute in Baltimore say the telescope took the clearest picture ever of the mysterious planet Pluto, and snapped a spectacular image of the ringed planet Saturn. Shortly after the Hubble was put in orbit earlier this year, NASA discovered that one of the telescope's mirrors was shaped slightly incorrectly.

The Soviet Union moved closer to a market economy today. President Gorbachev used his new economic powers to permit enterprises to negotiate wholesale prices... as a first step toward a market system. It's unclear how free the price structure will be. Under the Soviet Union's centrally planned economy, nearly all wholesale and retail prices are set by the government.

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#90277u2963 10/04/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 4) UPI - New York's Mayor David Dinkins today ordered an immediate hiring and promotion freeze, and told budget aides to draft a plan to lay off 15- thousand city workers. He says the city faces at least a one-point-four-BILLION-dollar budget deficit in the next fiscal year. A new anti-crime plan

calling for hiring more police officers is exempt from the cuts.

Residents of Cleveland, Georgia, are mounting a campaign to keep their Number-one tourist attraction- Babyland General Hospital. The so- called hospital- actually a display of Cabbage Patch Kids- was built to showcase the dolls. But company officials say they may want to move it to another county to find space to expand. At least 500 town residents have signed a petition asking Babyland General to stay in Cleveland.

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SARASOTA, FL (OCT.5) BUSINESS WIRE - Apollo Acquisitions of Florida II Inc. has announced that its board of directors and the board of directors of Colorado Style Potato Chips of Europe Ltd. have signed a definitive agreement for the acquisition of Colorado Style by Apollo.

Colorado Style will be operated as a wholly owned subsidiary of Apollo. Subsequent to completion of the acquisition, Apollo will change its name to Select Food Brands International Inc.

The company will manufacture a premium, high-quality, kettle-cooked potato chip. Apollo's low-cholesterol, low-sodium potato chips are intended to be marketed principally in Europe and Asia. The company estimates that kettle-style potato chips account for approximately 10 percent of the U.S. potato-chip market.

The European market for these premium chips is viewed as very attractive by the company. The United Kingdom potato chip market alone is estimated at $2 billion annually. Further the company states that there is currently no major producer of kettle chips operating in Europe.

The company intends to produce its potato chips and subsequently other snack products in a manufacturing facility in Ireland, permitting duty free access to 330 million European consumers and low corporate tax rates. The company has had extensive discussions concerning grants and favorable interest loans that may be provided by the Irish Development Authority and Allied Irish Banks a leading Irish financial institution.

Apollo has also entered into negotiations with a major European distributor of snack foods which has completed extensive taste tests on the company's kettle-style potato chips. A contract for product advertising and distribution is expected to be finalized in approximately 30 days.

Apollo Acquisitions completed its initial public offering, through Kober Financial Corp., in June 1990. The company expects that, subsequent to the acquisition, its shares will be eligible for listing on the NASDAQ system in the United States, as well as listing on the London and Dublin stock exchanges.

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EL SEGUNDO, CA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Condor Services Inc. (NASDAQ:COND) Friday announced that the company expects to report a third quarter net loss of approximately $200,000 to $225,000, or 9 to 10 cents per share, as compared with net income of $161,621, or 7 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

In addition, the company expects to report a loss in the fourth quarter.

The expected third and fourth quarter losses are primarily due to increased frequency and severity of commercial automobile liability claims currently being reported to the company's insurance subsidiary on its California business.

The company is filing for a rate increase with the California Department of Insurance under Proposition 103, but it is expected that approval of this filing will not be effective before Jan. 1, 1991.

The company expects to report its third quarter earnings in late October.

Condor Services is an insurance holding company which, through its three operating subsidiaries, Condor Insurance Co., Raven Claims Services and Interstate Program Managers, provides certain property and casualty insurance coverages and services to the specialized trucking industry in California and Arizona.

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PALO ALTO, CA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Company Friday announced it has realigned its computer-business activities into two new units to better integrate workstation and multiuser-system capabilities and to align sales activities more closely with major business units.

The company also said it has created a new test-and-measurement organization to lead the activities of its Electronic Instruments Group and Microwave and Communications Group.

In addition, HP has established a ''chief executive office'' to provide

greater breadth and depth to the most-senior management position in the company. The new office will be shared by John A. Young, HP president and chief executive officer, and Dean O. Morton, HP executive vice president and chief operating officer. HP's computer-business activities, which accounted for roughly $8 billion in revenue last year, or about two-thirds of HP's total revenue, now are organized into two principal units:

-- The Computer Systems Organization, including HP workstations, engineering applications, multiuser systems and networking products. Lewis E. Platt, HP executive vice president, will manage this organization, which includes HP's direct computer sales force, the primary sales channel for systems-related products.

-- The Computer Products Organization, comprising all of HP's personal-computer products and computer peripherals, including its industry-leading HP LaserJet printer family. Richard A. Hackborn, HP vice president, will head the organization. His responsibilities include all retail and third-party-distribution activities, the primary channel for PCs and peripherals.

In the test-and-measurement business, Edward W. (Ned) Barnholt, vice president and former general manager of the Electronic Instruments Group, will take on the newly created position of Test and Measurement Organization manager, where he will lead the activities of his former group as well as that of the Microwave and Communications Group.

Barnholt will report to William E. Terry, executive vice president and head of HP's Measurement Systems Sector. All of HP's test-and-measurement sales activities report to Barnholt's organization.

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NEWPORT, KY (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - NS Group Inc. (NYSE:NSS) announced Friday that it has acquired the Koppel Steel Works (KSW) and Ambridge Rolling Mills (ARM) facilities located in Koppel, Pa., and Ambridge, Pa., from The Babcock & Wilcox Co., a Delaware corporation and PMAC Ltd., a Texas limited partnership (PMAC) for approximately $96 million in cash and securities.

The facilities were formerly operated by the Tubular Products Division of Babcock & Wilcox and have remained idle since 1988, when Babcock & Wilcox closed the facilities.

The acquisition is being financed through a combination of a cash equity investment by NS Group, financing provided by PMAC and $100 million in

financing facilities provided by General Electric Capital Corp. (GE Capital). The GE Capital financing facilities include a working capital line and a capital expenditure line available for start-up and ongoing operation of the facilities.

The KSW facility contains a state-of-the-art melt shop installed in 1985 and has the capacity to produce 400,000 tons of steel products annually. The ARM facility, located 20 miles from Koppel, contains a modern seamless tube-making facility installed in 1976 and is designed to make specialty tubing, including bearing, mechanical and pressure tubing for use in a variety of markets, as well as oil country tubing for use in the oil and gas drilling markets.

The KSW facility will supply steel blooms to the ARM facility for the manufacture of tubular products in addition to sellng bar products to a variety of customers in the semi-finished steel marketplace. The KSW and ARM facilities will be operated under the name Koppel Steel Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of NS Group Inc.

C.R. Borland, president and chief executive officer of NS Group, commented ''the addition of Koppel Steel Corp., will place NS Group in the forefront of the mini-mill industry in this country. The acquisition provides an opportunity to capitalize on our existing facilities and strengths in the oil country tubular market and also provides an entry into additional seamless tubular markets.

''This acquisition clearly places NS Group in a position for significant growth in the years ahead.''

NS Group has demonstrated a strong track record of successfully restarting shuttered steel facilities. The company's two core operating facilities, Newport Steel Corp., a manufacturer of tubular steel products, and Kentucky Electric Steel, a manufacturer of steel bars, were both acquired after their respective former owners idled the facilities.

In both cases, NS Group was successful in elevating the companies to profitability by cutting operating costs, improving product quality and negotiating reasonable labor contracts.

NS Group Inc. is a holding company that owns, in addition to Koppel Steel Corp., four operating subsidiaries: Newport Steel Corp., a tubular steel producer; Kentucky Electric Steel Corp., a producer of steel bars; Erlanger Tubular Corp., a processor of tubular products; and Imperial Adhesives Inc., an adhesives manufacturer. NS Group Inc.'s common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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SAN ANTONIO (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - A light and refreshing brew is on the way to U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia.

The Pabst Brewing Co. has brewed the very special and famous Pabst N.A. to meet Saudi specifications for a non-alcoholic brew.

Over ten thousand cases are being sent as a gift from the Pabst Brewery. The 433rd Military Air Lift Wing in San Antonio helped facilitate this shipment which will be trucked to the Military Depot in Tracy, Calif. for shipment overseas.

Saudi Arabia has long-standing, strict regulations against the consumption of alcoholic beverages. Malt beverages must have less than 0.1 percent alcohol by volume. In the United States, non-alcoholic brews are legislated to have less than 0.5 percent. In order to conform in every way, Pabst will provide its famous Pabst N.A. at an historic low of 0.03 percent for the troops of the Desert Shield operations.

Lutz Issleib, chairman and president of the Pabst Brewing Co. stated, ''We are proud to provide our troops with the best and closest to the real thing from our San Antonio Brewery. We selected this brewery location because it allows us to brew, package and deliver the very freshest product to the Depot for trans-shipment to Saudi Arabia. We have also designed special cans of Pabst N.A. for our troops with the message 'Good Luck - Stay Cool.'''

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Jack Kratz, 512/226-0231.

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#90278b0065 10/05/1990 ~Business Wire
GARDEN GROVE, CA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Dense-Pac Microsystems Inc. (NASDAQ:DPAC) has reported a net loss for the second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, of $119,774, or 3 cents net loss per share, on sales of $1,750,089 versus a net loss of $387,911, or 9 cents net loss per share, on sales of $1,777,463 for the same period last year.

For the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, net income of $28,691 was reported, with no earnings per share, on net sales of $4,080,898 compared with a net loss of $286,407, or 7 cents net loss per share, on sales of $3,830,685 for the prior year.

The loss for the quarter was due to a severe downturn in orders for the company's military products, as funding for several of the programs the company is working on was held up. To compensate for the slowdown, the

company has reduced its payroll costs by approximately $500,000 per year and is concentrating on its non-defense business segments.

''We are seeing strength in the space, medical and law enforcement product areas and we expect to see some recovery in the defense area after the federal budget is finalized,'' stated James G. Turner, chief executive officer.

Dense-Pac designs and manufactures a full range of digital and memory surface mount components and subsystems utilizing the latest CMOS technology. The company recently received a patent which enables leadless chip carriers to be stacked vertically and increase capabilities by enabling utilization of the third dimension.

Proprietary packaging technology gives the company a range of products that achieve the highest speeds with the greatest savings of space, weight and cost for its customers. Space and cost savings of between four and 20 times are achieved with Dense-Pac products over conventional technology with similar improvements in reliability.

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ANCHORAGE, AK (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - National Bancorp of Alaska's (NBA) net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was nearly $7.4 million, up 13.6 percent from the $6.5 million reported for the third quarter of 1989, according to Ed Rasmuson, chairman of the board.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $19.9 million, an increase of 18.7 percent over nearly $16.8 million for the first nine months of 1989.

''Our quarterly earnings have been consistently higher this year,'' Rasmuson added. ''We attribute the increase in net income to the improving Alaska economy.''

The earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 were 93 cents compared to 82 cents for the third quarter of 1989. The earnings per share for the first nine months of 1990 are $2.50 compared to $2.10 for the first nine months of 1989.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, National Bancorp of Alaska's total assets were $2.10 billion, a decrease of 6 percent from assets of $2.24 billion for the third quarter of 1989. Total shareholders' equity as of Sept. 30, 1990, was $214 million compared to nearly $192 million as of Sept. 30, 1989.

''The decrease in total assets is primarily attributable to the runoff of

out-of-state brokered deposits which were acquired in the Alliance Bank transaction in April 1989,'' Rasmuson said. ''These deposits were not renewed as they matured. Our policy is to rely on traditional core deposits that create a strong and stable bank, rather than on brokered deposits.''

National Bancorp of Alaska is the holding company that owns all of the shares of National Bank of Alaska.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Sceptre Resources Ltd has declared the following dividends of the company payable on Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 18, 1990.

Series A Dividend No. 41-$0.4375 Dollar Canadian per Share

Series B Dividend No. 31-$0.4250 Dollar Canadian per Share

Series C Dividend No. 31-$0.4250 Dollar Canadian per Share

Sceptre has been advised by the Toronto Stock Exchange and the Montreal Stock Exchange that the 7 percent Series A and the 8.5 percent Series B Convertible Second Preferred Shares will commence trading on an ex-dividend basis on Oct. 12, 1990.

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SAN ANTONIO (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - In response to media inquiries, Datapoint Corp. (NYSE:DPT) Friday announced that, with the assistance of its financial advisor, Kidder-Peabody & Co. Inc., it continues to explore the company's strategic alternatives.

Preliminary discussions regarding such alternatives are being held with several parties. However, there can be no assurance that any strategic transaction will be consummated.

Datapoint Corp., headquartered in San Antonio is a marketer, manufacturer, and leading developer of network driven computer and communications products and

systems for business and government worldwide.

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Tom Drohan, 512/593-7900

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#90278b0097 10/05/1990 ~Business Wire
BIRMINGHAM, AL (OCT.5) BUSINESS WIRE - W.M. Moede, executive vice president and chief financial officer of the Pemco Aeroplex subsidiary of Precision Standard Inc. (NASDAQ:PCSN) announced Friday that J.R. Knight had been named director of internal audit for Pemco.

Knight, 54 years old, joined Pemco in 1958, when it was known as the Hayes Aircraft Co., in the material handling department. His subsequent duties included positions in the audit, cost accounting and purchasing functions. His most recent assignment was senior internal auditor for Pemco.

Knight resides in Trussville, Ala., and is a 1958 graduate of Auburn University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration.

Precision Standard, with facilities in Alabama, California, Colorado and Florida and offices in Denver, Boston and London, performs maintenance and modification of aircraft for the U.S. government and foreign and domestic commercial customers. The company also manufactures aircraft cargo systems, aerial targets, and rocket vehicles and control systems.

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EVERETT, WA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - INTERMEC Corp. (NASDAQ: INTR) Thursday announced that the U.S. Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has granted the company the first and, so far, only license to offer for sale spread spectrum Radio Frequency Data Collection (RF/DC) systems.

RF/DC is widely regarded to be the wave of the future in data collection as it eliminates the need for cabling of interconnected devices. Spread spectrum technology offers three distinct advantages over conventional RF/DC. It transmits data at much faster rates. It is less susceptible to interference. And it requires no FCC license by the user at the site.

Many companies have recognized the trend toward spread spectrum RF/DC and are actively pursuing it. INTERMEC, as of Oct. 2, 1990, is the first and only company to have earned FCC approval to provide this leading edge technology.

For further information, contact INTERMEC Corp., 6001 36th Avenue West, P.O.

Box 4280, Everett, Wash., 98203-9280, telephone 206/348-2600, telex 3794107, or FAX 206/355-9551.

A pioneer in bar code technology and the world leader in automated data collection for information management, INTERMEC Corp. designs, manufactures and markets the most comprehensive line of data collection hardware, software, systems, supplies and service available worldwide.

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CANTON, MA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Instron Corp. Friday reported that it is implementing an early retirement program for its U.S. operations as part of the company's cost reduction program.

Jim McConnell, president and chief executive officer of Instron, noted that this action was being taken in order to reduce the company's overall cost structure at a time when the company is being adversely affected by the weak U.S. economy. The early retirement program has been accepted by approximately 7 percent of the U.S. workforce and will result in a special pretax charge to earnings, in the third quarter, of approximately $700,000 or seven cents per share.

Instron Corp., listed on the American Stock Exchange (ISN), is a leading producer of instruments and systems for advanced materials testing.

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KENT, WA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Pay 'N Pak Stores Inc., and its holding company, PNP Prime Corp., reported operating results for their second quarter and year-to-date period ended Aug. 25, 1990.

Pay 'N Pak's earnings before interest, taxes and depreciation (EBITD), which depicts cash flow, for the second quarter increased 19.3 percent, from $11.4 million last year to $13.6 million. On a year-to-date basis, EBITD increased 10.0 percent, from $23.9 million last year to $26.3 million. Net sales for the second quarter were $138.6 million as compared with $124.6 million last year, an increase of 11.2 percent. On a year-to-date basis, net sales were $268.3 million as compared to $249.1 million last year, an increase of 7.7 percent.

For the second quarter, Pay 'N Pak reported net income of $641,000 as compared

to a loss of $1.2 million in the same quarter last year. For the year-to-date net income was $742,000 as compared to a net loss of $1.5 million in the prior year.

A spokesman for the company stated: ''The cash flow for the company continues to strengthen as we enjoy double digit percentage increases in sales without sacrificing margin. We are pleased that we have posted back to back profitable quarters but are cautious about the future. Other retailers are reporting lower sales increases due to the economic climate and the world situation.''

PNP Prime, the non-operating, holding company, parent of Pay 'N Pak, has the same sales as its operating company. Net income for PNP Prime was $607,000 for the quarter as compared to a loss of $1.2 million in the prior year. On a year-to-date basis, net income was $692,000 as compared to a loss of $1.6 million last year.

Pay 'N Pak Stores Inc. is a retailer of home improvement products operating 102 stores in major metropolitan or secondary urban areas in 14 Western and Midwestern states.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Arizona Public Service Co. Friday called for the partial redemption on Nov. 15, 1990, of $3 million of the approximately $48 million outstanding 10.625 percent series first mortgage bonds due in 2000.

The action is pursuant to a mandatory sinking fund.

The company's trustee, Security Pacific National Bank, will choose the securities being redeemed by lottery. A notice of redemption will be mailed on or before Oct. 15, to affected bondholders. They should surrender their bonds to Security Pacific or the co-paying agent, Security Pacific National Trust Co. (N.Y.), in accordance with the notice of redemption mailed to them.

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Wayne Kaplan, 602/250-2037

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ORANGE, CA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - TRW Real Estate Loan Services, a division of TRW Inc. (NYSE:TRW), Friday announced that it has been awarded the nationwide appraisal services contract by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

As HUD's national appraisal supplier, TRW Real Estate Loan Services will provide the department with appraisal services in all 50 states and Puerto Rico. TRW Real Estate Loan Services will play a key role in advising the Federal Housing Administration (FHA), an agency of HUD, on issues regarding properties the FHE acquires for resale from defaulted borrowers.

On FHA-acquired properties for which TRW Real Estate Loan Services provides an appraisal, TRW will make crucial recommendations regarding repairs, improvements and economic factors that may affect the marketing of the property.

As the nation's largest provider of residential appraisal services, TRW Real Estate Loan Services is in a unique position to address HUD's requirements. TRW's National Processing Center in Cleveland provides HUD field personnel with a national, centralized source for ordering appraisal services, tracking appraisal status and monitoring accounting and payables transactions.

As a national appraisal provider, TRW Real Estate Loan Services will provide HUD cost-to-coast professional quality service anywhere in the United States. TRW combines nearly 400 appraisers and a network of fee appraisers to provide an unmatched ability to maintain and enforce strict adherence to consistent appraisal standards throughout the nation.

HUD also will be provided the TRW Real Estate Loan Services appraisal warranty the most extensive protection against losses currently offered in the appraisal industry.

Located in 70 offices in 33 states across the country, TRW Real Estate Loan Services is a division of TRW Information Systems and Services, a division of TRW, a Fortune 100 company providing space and defense, automotive and information services.

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WEST PALM BEACH, FL (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Joseph F. Bradway Jr. Friday announced that he has completed the buy-out of VHC Ltd.

The buy-out, which was approved by VHC stockholders on Oct. 2, 1990, was closed and funded effective Oct. 4, 1990.

Stockholders of VHC, other than Bradway, will receive cash in the amount of $5.75 per share. The distribution of funds to VHC stockholders will be handled by Fleet National Bank, 125 DuPont Drive, Providence, R.I.

Transmittal letters were forwarded to stockholders on Oct. 4, 1990.

VHC Ltd. is a holding company with interests in the glass container forming machinery and food processing machinery industries. Prior to the buy-out, VHC's common stock was traded in the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol VHCL.

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DALLAS (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Standard Platforms Holdings PLC Friday announced that a registration statement relating to 945,000 ordinary shares of the company has been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission as of Sept. 28.

Two hundred forty-five thousand of the ordinary shares are being offered by the company in the United States at $4.25 per share and 700,000 of the ordinary shares are being offered by the company in the United Kingdom at 2.25 pounds.

Proceeds will be used by the company for marketing the company's system in the United States, for redemption of preferred shares outstanding, for repayment of existing debt and for working capital and general corporate purposes.

The company is engaged in the business of supplying computer hardware and software and designing and developing data and image storage and retrieval systems for organizations that process, file and retrieve large volumes of paper documents.

The managing underwriters for the offering are Marche' Securities Inc. in the Unites States and Rickett & Co. Limited in the United Kingdom.

The name and address of the contact person in order to obtain a prospectus is Kelley Fritz, Rickett & Co. Limited, 3/5 John Street, London, England EC1M 4AE 01-253-7174 in the United Kingdom and John Silseth, Marche' Securities Inc., 512 Nicollet Mall, Suite 400, Minneapolis, Minn., 55402 612/338-7721 in the United States.

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OAKLAND, Calif. (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Summit Bancshares Inc. parent company of Summit Bank, announced Friday that for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 the consolidated net income for Summit Bancshares Inc. increased 3 percent to $277,812 (55 cents per share) from $268,756 (50 cents per share) for the like period in 1989.

For the like period, total consolidated assets grew 16 percent to $68,738,383 from $59,261,739 while total deposits grew 17 percent to $59,355,352 from $50,541,566.

On an annualized basis, return on average assets for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 was 1.75 percent and return on beginning equity was 14.43 percent, compared to the ROA of 1.90 percent and ROE of 15.15 percent for the like quarter in 1989.

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ONTARIO, Calif. (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - CVB Financial Corp. (ASE:CVB), the parent company of Chino Valley Bank, reported Friday a third-quarter net income of $2,334,000, or 38 cents per share.

This compares with 1989 third-quarter results of $2,079,000, or 34 cents per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company earned $6,634,000, or $1.07 per share. On a comparative basis, 1990 results were 19 percent ahead of the $5,569,000, or 91 cents per share, reported for the same period of 1989.

Consolidated assets increased to $510 million at Sept. 30, 1990, up from $473 million at Dec. 31, 1989. Total net loans ended the quarter at $358 million, and total deposits rose to $457 million.

Chino Valley Bank, CVB Financial's primary subsidiary, is the largest independent bank with headquarters in Southern California's Inland Empire region. The September addition of its Tri-City Business Center in San Bernardino provides Chino Valley Bank with 15 branch offices to service the financial needs of both individuals and businesses.

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CUPERTINO, CA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Scott A. Montgomery has joined Cupertino National Bank (NASDAQ/NMS:CUNB) in the newly created position of executive vice president/senior administrative officer.

He is responsible for the administration of the areas of Finance, Personnel, Operations, Trust, Deposit Acquisition and Data Processing.

''This marks a major advancement for our bank,'' stated C. Donald Allen, president and chief executive officer of Cupertino National Bank. ''Scott brings a depth of experience, particularly in business development, which we have sought for a long while. He will fit well with our existing staff and clientele.''

Montgomery brings with him over 20 years of experience in the banking industry. Prior to holding the position of senior vice president and manager of the Commercial Division with Silicon Valley Bank, Montgomery was chairman, president and chief executive officer of United American Bank of Memphis, Tenn.

Before this, he served as president and chief executive officer of Texas Commerce Bank-Quorum, Dallas. He began his banking career with Mercantile Trust Co. in St. Louis.

Montgomery's commitment to the community is expressed by his active participation in a variety of local organizations.

He serves on the San Jose Cleveland Ballet Board of Trustees as well as the Finance and Executive Committees, the San Jose Rotary Membership Development Committee, is chairman of the Membership Development Committee for the San Jose Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and is active in the Queen of Apostles Pastoral Council and Building and Fundraising committees.

Cupertino National Bank, with assets of $120 million, serves the mid-Santa Clara County market, specializing in commercial loans for local companies, construction lending to quality builders, small business administration lending, and trust services to both individuals and businesses. The independent bank features a ''one-stop banking'' philosophy emphasizing customized client service.

Cupertino National Bank has dedicated itself to serving the financial needs of Santa Clara County while continuing strong support of the local community.

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CAMARILLO, CA. (OCT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Everest & Jennings International Ltd.

(ASE:EJ.A;EJ.B) announced Friday the resignations of Robert G. Sutherland, chairman and Terry Vandewarker from its board of directors.

Both Sutherland and Vandewarker are affiliated with Industrial Equity (Pacific) Limited (IEP), a substantial stockholder and creditor of Everest & Jennings.

The reasons given for the resignations were concerns over the potential conflicts of interest that could arise between the company and IEP as the company seeks to reach agreement with its primary domestic lender on long-term financing arrangements.

As previously disclosed, Everest & Jennings has been operating for the past several weeks on the basis of informal day-to-day waivers and extensions by its primary domestic lender, waiving certain loan covenant defaults and extending maturity dates under its credit agreement, while it has engaged in negotiations for long-term financing.

Although the company's lender has made formal demand for payment of amounts due, Barre L. Rorabaugh, the president and chief executive officer of Everest & Jennings, has indicated that ''Discussions with our lender here in the United States are continuing and we are in the process of attempting to structure a mutually satisfactory financing package.''

Everest & Jennings is engaged in the design, manufacture and distribution of wheelchairs and other durable medical equipment to worldwide markets, primarily in North America and Western Europe.

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SUNNYVALE, CA. (OCT. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Friday, Nanometrics Inc. and Optical Specialities Inc. (OSI) (NASDAQ:OSIX) jointly announced that they have entered into a letter of intent whereby Nanometrics would acquire all of the outstanding capital stock of OSI.

The announcement was made by Vincent Coates, chairman and chief executive officer of Nanometrics and J.R. Harris, chairman and chief executive officer of OSI.

Both corporations develop and manufacture metrology and inspection systems for semiconductor process control and their product lines are highly complementary. Nanometrics' products include scanning electron microscopes and systems for submicron microlithography measurement and inspection, Nanoline, an optical-based measurement system and Nanospec, a thin-film

measuring system.

OSI products include two new fully automatic machines; the METRA 2000 for overlay registration and submicron CD measurement and the INSPECTRA 5000 for submicron defect detection.

In addition, OSI produces semiautomatic equipment for optical inspection and measurement for the semiconductor, disk media and machine tool markets.

''Jack Harris and I want to combine our knowledge in metrology systems design to create a single company with the broadest range of products and skills in our industry,'' stated Coates.

''Through this means we expect to achieve substantial growth in world market share during the 90s. Nanometrics and OSI each offer more than a decade of experience in our fields and the largest customer base in our industry.''

''We at OSI are very enthusiastic about the prospects of a merger with Nanometrics,'' said J.R. Harris. ''Our applications and service capabilities will be greatly expanded and we will attain the critical mass that will allow us to provide the support and stability that our customers require. In addition our individual technologies are synergistic and will mesh quite well.''

The consummation of the merger is subject to the execution of a definitive merger agreement, approval of both companies' boards of directors and the stockholders of OSI, customary regulatory approvals, renegotiation of certain liabilities and contractual agreements and other normal conditions of closing. The parties hope to complete the transaction by the end of 1990.

The proposed terms provide for Nanometrics to issue one share of its common stock for each 13 shares of common stock of OSI outstanding on a fully diluted basis. As part of the merger agreement, Nanometrics will receive an option for approximately 20 percent of the common stock of OSI, exercisable under certain conditions.

Nanometrics was founded in 1975, and is located in Sunnyvale. OSI was founded in 1978, and is located in Fremont, Calif.

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CONCORD, CA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Fibreboard Corp. (AMEX:FBD) said Friday that there are no developments within the company that account for the unusually heavy trading and price decline of its stock Thursday.

''As we said at the end of the second quarter, the forest products industry and the stocks of individual companies within it continue to be pressured by the onging recession in the residential housing market.

''Market conditions and the general econcomy certainly haven't changed, although we expect the performance in the third quarter to be slightly improved over the second quarter loss,'' said Lawrence C. Hart, chairman and president.

The company expects to release results for the third quarter which ended Sept. 30, in the next two weeks.

Fibreboard Corp. headquarterd in Concord, manufactures lumber, hardwood plywood, moulding and millwork, agricultural container components, composite structural lumber, precesion molded industrial insulation and fireproofing materials.

It also owns and operates Norstar-at-Tahoe, a ski resort and year-round vacation and conference center in California.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxoptix Corp. Friday announced support for its one-gigabyte optical cartridge format by a group of leading optical drive companies.

The group includes Hewlett-Packard Co., Philips and Du Pont Optical Co., Optical Storage Corp., Mitsui Petrochemical Industries Ltd. and Mitsubishi Kasei Corp.

Maxoptix President Steven Kitrosser said the endorsements will significantly boost Maxoptix' efforts to establish its 1GB optical cartridge technology as an industry standard.

The 1GB cartridge offers the higher-storage capacities required in many image processing applications. It will be available from the multiple manufacturers of the ANSI/ISO 650MB cartridge and offers performance advantages over the smaller-capacity cartridge.

Officials of the companies said their objective is to establish the 1GB

cartridge format as the technology that disk drive manufacturers can easily incorporate in their drives. The 1GB cartridge is based on the ANSI/ISO standard continuous composite recording format.

Hoyle L. Curtis, research and development manager at Hewlett- Packard's Greeley Storage division, said: ''The Maxoptix 1GB format represents a viable capacity point for rewritable optical products and can provide customers with increased capacity and performance while still allowing compatibility with the ANSI/ISO standard.''

Michael A. Toomey, managing director of professional products for Philips and Du Pont Optical, said this new technology will make optical storage more attractive to a broader range of users.

A disk drive using a 1GB cartridge will track over the same surface area as a 650MB cartridge. The 1GB drive is able to transfer data an average of 50 percent faster, however, because data density is 50 percent greater. The 1GB cartridge also offers a faster seek time than the 650MB cartridge.

John Freeman, Maxoptix vice president of marketing, said the proprietary format of the 1GB cartridge concentrates more storage on the outer part of the disk surface. ''Because the 1GB cartridge is read from the outer tracks inward, the disk drive can achieve as much as 30 percent faster seek time over an equivalent capacity available on the 650MB cartridge,'' he said.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. Founded in 1939, the company has 95,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in fiscal 1989.

Philips and Du Pont Optical Co. manufactures optical storage media for all audio, video and data markets worldwide. The company's product line includes Write-Once and Rewritable disks, CD-Audio, CD-ROM, CD-Video and Videodiscs.

Philips and Du Pont Optical is a joint venture between N.V. Philips, the inventor of optical storage technology, and Du Pont, one of the world's largest suppliers of materials and components to the electronics industry.

Optical Storage Corp., founded in June 1990, is a joint venture among three Japanese companies: Sumitomo Chemical Company Ltd., Daicel Chemical Industries Ltd. and Sumitomo Metal Mining Company Ltd. The company is able to supply various kinds of optical storage media including 1GB cartridges.

It is capable of manufacturing a half-million 5.25-inch MO disk cartridges and 1.5 million 5.25-inch WORM disk cartridges a year. The company has headquarters in Tokyo and currently employs 150.

A major chemical maker based in Tokyo, Mitsui Petrochemical Industries Ltd. (MPC) is shipping its LightStore disks from its rewritable disk plant located at the Sodegaura site across the bay from Tokyo. LightStore media are based on substrates of MPC's unique, proprietary APO (cyclo olefinic polymer).

In addition to the extremely small moisture-derived distortion and optical anisotropy characteristic to APO-made substrates, LightStore disks boast long-term stability throughout the write/read/erase cycles owing to the super-longevity of the recording layer. In addition to 5.25-inch rewritable disks, 5.25-inch write-once media are also commercially available from MPC.

Mitsubishi Kasei Corp. is Japan's largest integrated chemical company. The company emphasizes research and development across a wide range of specialties including information and electronics products such as optical media. Established in 1950, the company currently has 8,900 employees and had a revenue of U.S. $5 billion in fiscal 1989.

Maxoptix, with headquarters in San Jose, was formed in March 1989 and is a joint venture between Maxtor Corp. (NASDAQ:MXTR) and Kubota Ltd. of Japan. Maxtor Corp., a leading manufacturer of high-capacity, high-performance disk drives, holds 75 percent interest in Maxoptix, which designs, markets and manufactures optical storage products.

Maxoptix manufactures the Tahiti I magneto-optical disk drive that can use the 650MB ANSI/ISO standard cartridge as well as the Maxoptix-developed 1GB cartridge. Kubota, which owns the rest of the company, is Japan's largest manufacturer of agricultural equipment and an investor in several Silicon Valley high-technology firms.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - GB Foods Corp. (NASDAQ:GBFC) Friday announced that it opened three new California franchise locations during the month of September in Westminster, Tustin and Torrance.

The company also stated that its food sales in July of $1,056,000 and August of $1,058,000 reached record highs and further reported the signing of a record number of new franchise stores, seven, during the same period.

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NOVATO, CA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - WordStar International Inc. (NASDAQ:WDST) Friday announced revenues of $9,932,000 and net loss of $457,000, or 3 cents per share, for its fourth quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

In the like quarter of the preceding year, the company reported net loss of $793,000, or 6 cents per share, on revenues of $11,317,000. Cash and equivalents totaled $16,135,000 on Aug. 31, 1990, as compared with $18,176,000 on Aug. 31, 1989.

For the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990, the company reported revenues of $37,379,000 and a net loss of $4,585,000, or 33 cents per share. For the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1989, WordStar reported revenues of $43,157,000 and a net loss of $3,034,000, or 22 cents per share.

The company also announced the resignations of Gari Grimm, WordStar's president and chief executive officer, and Jim Dalrymple, WordStar's general manager and chief financial officer. The board of directors indicated that it believes Grimm had accomplished the task of reducing the company's operating expenses, and her decision to resign was amicable on both sides.

The board of directors, through a search committee headed by Stanley Cohen, is actively looking for replacements for these positions.

Revenue for the fourth quarter and fiscal year 1990 were lower than the like quarters of the prior year due to lower revenue and unit sales in the retail and government channels in North America.

In anticipation of this lower revenue level, the company implemented a cost reduction program in the latter half of fiscal 1990 resulting in lower operating expenses in the third and fourth quarters of the year.

The challenge for the coming year, according to company officials, will be to improve revenue and unit sales, introduce new products and continue the cost-reduction program.

WordStar International Inc., founded in 1978 as MicroPro International, is a leading supplier of business productivity software products for IBM PC users.

WordStar word processing products are among the largest selling microcomputer software programs in the world with 14 different language versions and an installed user base of more than 3.5 million.

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WESTBOROUGH, MASS. (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - ASA International Ltd. (NASDAQ:ASAA) announced here Friday that it has completed the sale of its hardgoods distribution division, located in Williston, Vt., to Christopher Pratt.

ASA acquired the business from Pratt in 1988. The transaction is for a combination of cash, notes and an equity interest in Pratt's newly formed company, Distribution Management Systems Inc.

Alfred C. Angelone, chief executive officer of ASA, stated that ''The performance of the hardgoods distribution division did not meet ASA's contribution requirements in 1989. Accordingly, it was prudent to spin it off at book value and retain a minority interest.''

ASA International Ltd. markets multi-user business computer solutions, primarily on Digital Equipment and IBM hardware, to manufacturing, tire dealer and international trade companies. The firm, founded in 1969, reported 1989 revenues of $23,769,000.

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SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Michael Hirst, chairman and chief executive officer of Hilton International, and Jose Luis Ramirez, acting president of the Puerto Rico Industrial Development Co. (PRIDCO), signed a contract on Wednesday, Oct. 3 for the administration of the Ponce Hilton Hotel.

Construction of the new 156-room executive-class resort facility began last year and is expected to be completed by autumn 1992. Investment in the project is estimated at $45-to-$50 million, including land costs, construction, interior decoration, equipment, furnishings and landscaping, among other items.

The Ponce Hilton is situated on an 80-acre beachfront tract adjacent to the beautiful Caribbean Sea in Puerto Rico's southern City of Ponce. The resort will feature a convention center with an 800-person seating capacity and a broad range of luxury services and facilities for business and leisure travelers. When in operation, the resort will generate approximately 150 direct jobs and 600 indirect jobs.

The Ponce Hilton will be third hotel managed by Hilton International company in Puerto Rico. It is located five minutes from Mercedita Airport in Ponce and one hour by car from the San Juan Metropolitan area. Hilton International manages 144 hotels in 47 countries throughout the world.

The Ponce Hilton project is designed for potential expansion to a total of 450 guest rooms.

In its present configuration, the hotel will contain a large pool area with sun-bathing and bar facilities and four tennis courts. Large open spaces will include a landscaped tropical ''mangrove'', designed by Edward Durell Stone Jr.

Of the total rooms, 148 will be large, custom-furnished, air-conditioned and will have balconies overlooking the Caribbean. Eight additional air-conditioned ''suites'' will each have a living/dining area, separate bedroom, two bathrooms, a mini bar and a large exterior terrace.

The Ponce Hilton's 8,100 square foot casino will feature 180 slot machines, 14 blackjack tables, one baccarat table and four roulette and three dices tables.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - W.R. Grace & Co. (NYSE:GRA) Friday announced that it has exercised the first installment of its option to purchase additional equity in NOXSO Corp. (NASDAQ:NOXO), a Pittsburgh-based firm that has developed a patented acid rain control process.

The option permits Grace to purchase up to 908,314 shares for $2.257 per share in 36 equal monthly installments through 1993. If Grace exercises the option in full, the total exercise price would be slightly more than $2 million and Grace would own approximately 26 percent of NOXSO.

The option was granted in 1987 as part of three agreements executed between the two companies. These agreements established Grace as the licensed manufacturer of the patented sorbent used in NOXSO's acid rain control process.

''This purchase illustrates Grace's commitment to the NOXSO process and to the team organized to commercialize the process,'' stated Dr. L.G. Neal, president of NOXSO. Other team members building both a pilot and commercial scale demonstration of the NOXSO process include MK-Ferguson and Ohio Edison.

According to Dr. F. Peter Boer, executive vice president of W.R. Grace & Co., ''This additional investment by Grace represents our commitment to the results

NOXSO has achieved over the past few years. In addition to advancing its technology to curb smokestack emissions, it has made impressive strides toward setting up and commercializing this novel process.''

NOXSO Corp.'s business is the commercialization of the company's patented acid rain control process. The NOXSO process simultaneously removes 90 percent of sulfur and nitrogen oxides, the two pollutants emitted from coal fired utility plants' flue gas which cause acid rain, while producing essentially no solid or liquid wast.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF.(OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - MIPS Computer Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:MIPS) Friday stated that preliminary financial information indicates total revenue for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, will be between $36 million and $38 million.

The expected revenue will be lower than the total revenue of $39.6 million recorded in the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, and will show significant growth from the $27.1 million recorded in the third quarter of 1989.

An increase in operating expenses from the preceding quarter in anticipation of revenue growth, coupled with the expected revenue figure may result in a modest loss for the quarter.

Third quarter systems revenue was impacted principally by the company's high-end system, the RC6280.

While production of the RC6280 increased significantly in the third quarter from second quarter levels, continued shortages of critical R6000 components resulted in lower than anticipated revenue shipments in the third quarter.

Technology licensing revenue should be within the company's expected range for the quarter and will include significant technology licensing agreements with a related party.

Robert C. Miller, MIPS Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, said: ''Naturally we are disappointed by the preliminary third quarter results. However, we have seen steady improvement in the supply of R6000 components for the RC6280 and this system continues to generate great interest with our customers.

MIPS sells its systems through OEM, VAR and reseller channels, and to system integrators worldwide. The company also licenses its technology to semiconductor companies, which supply components for the embedded control and computer markets.

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SEATTLE (OCT.5) BUSINESS WIRE - Alaska Airlines has received Federal Aviation Administration approval for its fleet of Boeing 727-200 aircraft to take off in fog that would ground every other airline in the United States.

Alaska's 727-200s now are certified to take off with as little as 300 feet of runway visibility. Six hundred feet was the industry's previous lowest take off visibility level.

''This is a dramatic development, and a timely one as we're now entering heavy fog season,'' said Pat Glenn, Alaska's vice president of flight operations.

''The certification process was rigorous, but the results will be immediate - fog-related disruptions will be slashed. And that means passengers will spend more time in the air than in the terminal.''

Airports must be certified by the FAA to handle aircraft executing take offs in thick fog, Glenn noted.

Seattle-Tacoma International, Alaska's busiest airport, is expected to gain certification this month. Alaska plans to work with officials in other fog-plagued West Coast cities to get those airports certified as well. Portland, Seattle and Los Angeles airports are among the nation's foggiest.

Alaska's fog-busting capabilities come from an innovative avionics device called the HGS-1000 head-up guidance system, developed by Flight Dynamics Inc. of Portland. In operation, HGS looks like an advanced computer game. It converts signals transmitted by on-board sensors and airport radio navigational systems into a holographic image of the approaching runway. This, along with altitude, air speed and other flight guidance data is projected onto a glass screen positioned between the pilot's eyes and the aircraft windshield.

While this technology is used in advanced jet fighters, Alaska is the only airline in the world to install such an advanced system on a fleet of passenger aircraft.

Alaska has invested $12 million equipping its 727-200s with the devices and training pilots to use them. Alaska has used the HGS on passenger flights for

about a year, but only on landings, Glenn said. ''These new capabilities at take off complete the equation. The results will be tangible,'' he said.

He noted that the HGS would have prevented all but a handful of Alaska's 299 flight cancellations and delays in December 1985 when a thick blanket of fog enveloped Sea-Tac Airport for 10 days.

In addition to fog busting, HGS features the most sophisticated windshear early warning and guidance mechanism.

Seattle-based Alaska Airlines serves 35 cities in Alaska, Mexico and five Western states.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The United States Small Business Administration (SBA) announced that U S WEST has been named its Majority Private Sector Award winner in Region X, which includes the states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska.

The award is in recognition of the company's minority business development support.

Nationally, the SBA honors 10 major corporations for contributions and assistance to develop minority-owned businesses. U S WEST was selected for its involvement with the Oregon Association of Minority Entrepreneurs and for its 14-state policy and strategy for doing business with minority firms.

The SBA also cited the company's participation and sponsorship of minority business conferences and organizations and its employment of full-time minority business outreach managers to implement the corporation's minority business program.

Dick McCormick, president of U S WEST, said: ''We're obviously pleased by the SBA's recognition. U S WEST has a strong commitment to add value to the communities we serve. We believe that taking a leadership role in minority- and women-owned business initiatives is a vital ingredient of this corporate commitment.''

U S WEST owns U S WEST Communications and other companies involved in communications, data solutions, marketing services and financial services.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of U S WEST Inc. (NYSE:USW) Friday declared a regular, quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share, payable Nov. 1, 1990 to shareowners of record Oct. 19, 1990.

The amount is unchanged from the prior quarter.

U S WEST Inc. owns U S WEST Communications and other companies involved in communications, data solutions, marketing services and capital assets.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - NYNEX Corporation will demonstrate several unique customer applications of SMDSsm service at the INTEROP 90 trade show, which will be held October 10-12 in San Jose, Calif.

SMDS service provides users with wide area multi-megabit data connectivity.

The NYNEX demonstrations are part of a cooperative effort by the company and three other regional holding companies - BellSouth, Pacific Bell and Southwestern Bell - designed to underscore the potential of SMDS technology as a means of interconnecting local area networks (LANS).

''SMDS answers the needs of large customers for wide area networking while avoiding the high cost of dedicated facilities,'' said NYNEX's Wayne Zuckerman Managing Director - Large and Medium Business Markets. ''Customers will pay only for what they use.''

NYNEX will demonstrate a multimedia group conferencing service that allows simultaneous transmission of documents between users for real-time viewing and collaborative editing by the users.

In addition, the company will demonstrate two prototype applications for network management of SMDS service. The first application, NYNEX NetWindow network management system, identifies and diagnoses any failures in the SMDS network, thus guaranteeing network reliability.

The second, NYNEX LANPATH manager, is a customer premise network management

prototype that shows how SMDS can be managed as part of a customer's broader network where SMDS is used to interconnect LANS.

''These demonstrations will enable both customers and vendors to visualize the robustness and capabilities of SMDS to fill a void in the area of LAN interconnectivity.'' said Zuckerman. ''We are interested in working with business customers to develop SMDS as a viable choice for high-speed data communications.''

Note: SMDS is a Service Mark of Bellcore; LANPATH is a Trade Mark of NYNEX Corporation; NetWindow is a Trade Mark of NYNEX Corporation.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Leisure Technology (NYSE:LVX) announced Friday that its board of directors decided that the company will not make the semi-annual interest payment due on Oct. 15 on its 15-3/4 percent Senior Notes (AMEX:LVXB) due in 1999.

''The company is considering various strategies relating to the notes, of which there are $40 million outstanding, although no proposal has been formulated at this time,'' said Michael L. Tenzer, chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

''The Board determined not to make this interest payment as a result of working capital shortages caused by a severe additional deterioration in the housing markets served by the company during the last quarter,'' Tenzer said.

''As part of our strategy to respond to continued negative cash flow from operations, Leisure Technology yesterday executed a letter of intent with a substantial company for a financing facility which, if consummated, will provide additional working capital,'' Tenzer said. ''Further action is required in addition to this financing. The company intends to meet with its secured lenders within the next few weeks to develop and implement a restructuring plan,'' Tenzer added.

Tenzer said that revenue from Leisure Technology's housing operations for the second quarter ended Sept. 30 totaled an estimated $11.8 million, excluding $3.2 million in revenue from a non-consolidated joint venture which owns Leisure Village Ocean Hills, an active adult community in North San Diego County, Calif. This compares to revenue of $39.4 million for the same quarter one year earlier and $22.1 million during the first quarter of the current fiscal year.

Backlog at Sept. 30, 1990, June 30, 1990, and Sept. 30, 1989 was $32.6 million (excluding Leisure Village Ocean Hills backlog of $6.1 million), $48.3 million and $98.5 million, respectively.

Leisure Technology, founded in 1957, is the largest publicly-owned nationwide developer of active adult communities and is currently developing active adult single family or full-service retirement communities in New Jersey, New York, Florida, Illinois and Calfifornia.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Molecular Biosystems Inc. (NYSE:MB) Friday commented on several findings presented Thursday at the Fifth Annual "Advances in Echocardiography Symposium'' sponsored by the University of Chicago.

The findings were reported by scientific and clinical investigators who have been conducting pre-clinical and clinical studies using Albunex, MBI's proprietary ultrasound contrast agent.

The most significant findings involved the observation of myocardial perfusion after intravenous injection of Albunex. Mark Monaghan, M.Sc., of Kings College Medical Center in London, reported data that was suggestive of myocardial perfusion in patients.

Additionally, Sanjiv Kaul, M.D., associate professor of medicine at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, reported that myocardial perfusion was visually observed after intravenous injections in dogs.

It is estimated that the majority of patients who undergo routine echocardiography (6 million tests annually in the United States) may be candidates to receive Albunex if myocardial perfusion information could be obtained.

A number of other studies were presented, including data from MBI's Albunex Phase III clinical trials in the United States and Phase II clinical trials in Japan. Linda Crouse, M.D., of the Mid-American Cardiology Association in Kansas City, Mo., reported on Phase III Albunex clinical studies involving 175 adult echocardiography patients at eight centers.

Crouse concluded from these studies that contrast echocardiography using intravenously administered Albunex improves endocardial border delineation in

79 percent of patients when scored by the investigators and in 84 percent of patients when graded by the blinded reviewers.

The Fifth Annual University of Chicago Symposium on Advances in Echocardiography is being held at the Knickerbocker Hotel in Chicago and runs through Friday.

Molecular Biosystems Inc., located in San Diego, is a leading biomedical firm developing proprietary medical products that diagnose human disease, including Albunex, an injectable contrast agent for use in ultrasound imaging. In addition, it is a leading developer of direct, non-radioactively labelled genetic probe products.

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WAYLAND, MASS. (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Candela Laser Corp. has been awarded a grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to continue the development of Candela's Pigmented Lesion Laser, Model PLDL-1, to include the treatment of naturally-occurring pigmented dermal lesions such as, nevi of Ota and Ito which are congenital birthmarks.

The two year, Phase II Small Business Innovation Research grant amounts to approximately $460,000.

The PLDL-1 laser has been cleared by the FDA for the treatment of benign pigmented epidermal skin lesions such as age spots, freckles, and brown birthmarks. Dr. Oon Tian Tan, of Boston City Hospital, is acting as collaborator on the research project.

''The objective of the Phase II grant, is to refine the treatment of superficial benign pigmented lesions by continuing clinical trials and exploring methods of treating deeper dermal lesions.

''The mechanisms of injury of epidermal and dermal pigment cells will be examined and ultimately a laser system which can treat both dermal and epidermal lesions will be produced,'' offered Dr. Michael Lesiecki, manager, Biotechnology and director of the Candela medical laser development program.

The Pigmented Lesion Laser is Candela's second product for the dermatology market. The company's first product -- the Vascular Lesion Laser -- treats a variety of skin disorder such as port wine stain birthmarks and superficial facial ''spider'' vessels. It has been enthusiastically received by physicians and their patients. More than 175 Vascular Lesion Laser units have been installed worldwide and more than 50,000 treatment sessions have

been performed.

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Koger Properties Inc. (NYSE:KOG) said Friday that several class-action lawsuits had been filed against it in Federal courts alleging various violations of federal securities laws.

The company said that it had been advised that, in the opinion of its legal counsel, the lawsuits are without merit.

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FORT LEE, N.J. (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - On-Line Software International Inc. Friday confirmed its commitment to supplying solutions that work with IBM DB2 (TM) relational database by announcing the acquisition of four products from the Relational Database Product Division of Systems Center Inc.

The acquisition also includes the four education courses offered by Systems Center.

The purchase price of the assets being acquired is approximately $5 million. Along with the products and courses, On-Line Software is acquiring an experienced sales operation and technical support staff.

''DB2 has emerged as a strategic database environment for the mainframe market. Our DB2 business grew 132 percent in the first year, and we anticipate that On-Line Software's experience and dedication to the database market will greatly add to the continued success of the products,'' said Gene Riechers, senior vice president of Systems Center.

''Our strategy is to provide an ever-increasing solution set to those organizations working with DB2. The dedicated employees and DB2 products from Systems Center coupled with On-Line Software's DB2 products, education, and consulting help the data base administrator and
the application programmer increase speed, quality and effectiveness when working with DB2,'' said Joseph Olynick, senior vice president and general manager of On-Line Software's DB2 Business Group.

The acquisition includes the Systems Center DB2 product line which will be

integrated into On-Line Software's ProSeries.

The products are industry leading ProSecure (formerly DB/Secure TM) and ProOptimize (formerly DB/Optimizer TM), as well as ProAudit (formerly DB/Auditor TM) and ProUtility (formerly DB/Utility Master TM).

On-Line Software will continue to develop, support and enhance these products as part of the growing ProSeries (TM) family of tools.

For the DB2 database administrator, On-Line Software provides ProAlter(TM)/Plus for DB2 analysis, tuning and maintenance. This offering is now enhanced by ProSecure (TM), the leader for managing DB2 security, ProAudit (TM), the custom audit trail facility for DB2, and ProUtility (TM) for automated scheduling and administration of DB2 utilities.

For the DB2 application programmer On-Line Software provides ProEdit (TM), the industry-leader for complete DB2 application testing.

This is now complemented by ProOptimize (TM), which provides automated recommendations for efficient DB2 application tuning before it goes into production.

Systems Center indicated that this divestiture allows the company to focus upon its core business of network and systems software products. The company has recently announced acquisitions of software products for the UNIX (TM), AS/400 (TM) and network management markets.

Systems Center Inc. (NYSE:SMX) develops, markets and supports network, systems and relational database software.

The company offers over 50 products, including NET/MASTER (TM) for network and systems management; Network DataMover (TM) for data transfer among multiple operating environments; VMCENTER II (TM) for IBM's VM (TM) operating system; and AS/CENTER (TM) for IBM's AS/400 (TM).

On-Line Software International Inc. is a NYSE listed company (OSI) headquartered in Fort Lee. The 21 year-old firm combines consulting and educational services with CICS, DB2 productivity software, and development systems products that enhance the productivity of IBM computer systems users.

As a charter vendor member of the International DB2 Users Group and a founding member of R/AD, the International User Group for Repository and AD/Cycle, On-Line Softwarwe supports the IBM user community. With 16 domestic and international offices, On-Line Software's distribution network services over 30 countries.

The company is an IBM Business Partner that has products and professional services utilized by all Fortune 100 IBM mainframe sites.

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UNIX is a trademark of AT&T.

NET/MASTER is a trademark of Systems Center Inc. and its subsidiaries.

VMCENTER II and AS/CENTER are trademarks and Network DataMover is a registered trademark of Systems Center Inc.

ProEdit is a registered trademark of On-Line Software International Inc.

ProAlter/Plus is a trademark of On-Line Software International Inc.

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AMSTELVEEN, NETHERLANDS (OCT.5) BUSINESS WIRE - KLM Traffic and capacity figures for August 1990 and the first six months of the current financial year.

(In millions of Tonmiles)

	September (Provisional)		
	1990	1989	GROWTH PERC.
Scheduled Flights			
Passengers	147.9	142.2	+4
Freight	126.9	114.0	+11
Mail	4.1	4.4	-7
Charter Flights	0.3	0.5	-33
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Total Traffic	279.2	261.1	+7
Capacity Available	380.1	355.3	+7
Load Factor	73.4	73.5	T

	April Through September		
	1990/91	1989/90	GROWTH PERC.
Scheduled Flights			
Passengers	898.1	843.8	+6
Freight	737.6	676.5	+9
Mail	25.5	26.6	-4
Charter Flights	1.3	1.8	-26
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Total Traffic	1,662.5	1,548.7	+7

Capacity Available	2,310.0	2,139.7	+8
Load Factor	72.0	72.4	T

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WILMINGTON, NC (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Haben Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:HABN) announced tenative agreement has been reached whereby it will acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of three privately held California corporations in exchange for 8.5 million shares of its common stock.

These corporations, Gyron Compounds Inc., Master Cart Inc., and Good Development Polymers, are related entities involved in the design, development manufacture, and marketing of polyehtylene products.

Completion of the transaction requires the execution of a definitive agreement and the approval of the respective boards of directors of all corporations, and all of the stockholders of the California corporations.

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Audiovox Corp. (AMEX:VOX) Thursday announced sales for the third quarter ended Aug. 31 were $74.1 million remaining virtually unchanged from the prior year's sales of $73.9 million for the same quarter.

Net losses for the three month period, however, were $895,000, or (10 cents) per share, compared with net earnings of $339,000, or 4 cents per share, for the third quarter in 1989.

Net sales for the nine months ended August 31 were $224.5 million vs. $212.1 million for the same period in 1989, a 5.8 percent increase. The overall net loss for the nine month period ending Aug. 31 was approximately $207,000, or (2 cents) per share, compared with a loss of $1.1 million, or (12 cents) per share, for the same period in 1989.

Audiovox President and C.E.O., John J. Shalam, stated that ''even though sales were flat for the third quarter, increases in our Video and Fax divisions offset the declines in our other divisions. The margins declined as a result of this shift in product mix since the Video and Fax divisions carry lower margins.''

Shalam further stated that ''the declining condition of the economy during the third quarter affected Audiovox's performance.''

Audiovox Corp. markets and supplies a diverse line of automotive aftermarket products, including automotive sound equipment, cellular telephones and automotive accessories.

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AKRON, Ohio (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - October 5, 1990 -- Directors of A. Schulman, Inc. today declared a 9.1 percent increase in the quarterly cash dividend to 8 cents per common share.

Prior to the 3-for-2 stock split paid in the form of a 50 percent stock dividend in September, A. Schulman had been paying a dividend of 11 cents per common share, which is the equivalent of 7.33 cents per share on a post-split basis.

The increased cash dividend will be paid on October 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on October 22, 1990.

This is A. Schulman's second cash dividend increase this year. In January 1990 the Company also raised its cash dividend rate by 10 percent.

A. Schulman, Inc., based in Akron, is a leading international supplier of high performance plastic compounds and resins.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Bally Manufacturing Corp. (NYSE: BLY) has declared a cash dividend of $1 per share to holders of its Series D convertible exchangeable preferred stock payable Nov. 1, to holders of record as of the close of business on Oct. 15.

Bally Manufacturing Corp. is a world leader in the gaming and fitness industries with four casino hotels, a nationwide network of fitness centers, and a complete line of gaming equipment and systems, fitness products and lottery products and services.

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MIAMI (OCT.5) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Viral Research Corp. announced Friday that it has signed an agreement with a prestigious clinic associated with a major Canadian hospital to conduct human clinical trials with HIV-positive patients.

These trials will begin following Canadian Health Protection Branch approval of the protocol of study, filed Oct. 5. Approval by the Canadian HPB will mark the first human trials of reticulose in a controlled clinical study in a developed country.

The company also announced Friday that its annual meeting of shareholders will be held in Miami at the Dupont Plaza Hotel on Thursday, Nov. 8, at 9:00 a.m. The shareholders record date was set as Sept. 21.

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CHELSEA, MA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Town & Country Corporation (AMEX:TNC) today reported a decrease in revenues and a loss in the company's historically weakest second fiscal quarter which ended August 31, 1990.

Management cited continued softness in the economy and disappointing sales in its scholastic and recogition businesses as the primary reasons for the decline.

Consolidated net sales for the second quarter were $86.2 million down $2.8 millon from last year's $89.0 million. The loss for the quarter was $3.2 million, slightly less than the comparable quarter's loss of $3.5 million in fiscal 1990. On a per share basis, the loss for the second quarter was $0.27 compared with $0.29 a year ago.

For the six months of fiscal 1991, sales totaled $186.0 million compared with $194.1 million last year. The six-month loss was $3.0 million, versus last year's loss of $2.8 million. The per share loss was $0.25 compared with a

$0.23 loss in fiscal 1990.

C. William Carey, Town & Country chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''Uncertain economic conditions and diminished consumer confidence continued to affect U.S. retailing during our second quarter, and many of our customers maintained a conservative posture with regard to inventory and inventory replenishment. Although we are disappointed with our overall performance, our traditional jewelry manufacturing companies were close to internal sales projections.

''On a positive note, sales at Little Switzerland, our luxury products retailing group in the Caribbean, reported a second quarter sales increase over last year.

''Looking ahead to our second half, we remain optimistic that our third and fourth quarters will track our historical revenue and income patterns. However, with prevailing market conditions, no one can predict with any degree of confidence what consumer attitudes will be. Therefore, during the second half of the year we will concentrate our efforts on reducing operating expenses and strengthening our balance sheet,'' the Town & Country chief executive concluded.

Town & Country Corporation is an international manufacturer of fine jewelry with facilities in Massachusetts, New York, Texas, Hong Kong and Bangkok. The company also operates the Little Switzerland luxury products retailing network which is headquartered in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. Little Switzerland sells upscale jewelry, watches, crystal, china and fragrances in Caribbean free-port locations.

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BOSTON (OCT.5) BUSINESS WIRE - 3i Capital Corp., a Boston-based venture capital firm, announced Friday it has provided $1.5 million to Micro Engineering Solutions, a provider of fully-integrated computer-aided design (CAD) and computer-aided manufacturing (CAM) software and systems.

Based in Novi, Mich. Micro Engineering Solutions designs, develops, and markets CAD/CAM software packages, which run on PC-compatibles and UNIX workstations.

Considered one of the leading designers of 3-D mechanical CAD/CAM software, Micro Engineering Solutions produces state-of-the-art software products with contoured surface applications for manufacturing companies primarily in the automotive, aerospace and marine industries; large engineering firms which

service these industries; and tool design and tool making firms. Tooling and parts suppliers to General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Corp., and Chrysler Corp. are among Micro Engineering Solutions automotive industry customers.

To broaden its sales base internationally, Micro Engineering Solutions recently signed agreements with Macrotron of Europe and Famotik of Japan to distribute its software abroad. The software company is also expanding its sales base in the Great Lakes Region of the U.S.

Micro Engineering Solutions was co-founded in 1986 by company chairman, William Harris and the company's director of product development, Lynn Hock, formerly with EDS.

3i Capital invests in companies seeking capital for growth, acquisition, share repurchase or leveraged buyout. It is one of two U.S. operating units of 3i Group plc, which is one of the world's largest sources of venture capital. 3i's other U.S. operating unit is 3i Ventures, which invests in start-up and early stage companies.

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AN ANTONIO, TX (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Docucon Inc. (DOCU) Friday recieved a $1.1 million order from the U.S. Navy to convert millions of technical manual pages into digital images which are stored compactly on optical disks.

The technical manuals will be used on both shipboard and land-based image management maintenance systems.

''This new order is an addition to the conversion work which we have been doing for NAVSEA for approximately eight months,'' said Allan Hobgood, vice president of marketing for Docucon. ''It indicates the increasing activity surrounding the Pentagon's $1 billion Computer-aided Acquisitions and Logistics Support (CALS) initiative to create a near paperless Pentagon.'' (Refer to NEW YORK TIMES 10/03/90.)

Docucon is a leader in providing high volume conversion of paper and microform documents to optical disk storage.

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LONDON (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - At its Ninth Annual General Meeting, members

of the International Petroleum Exchange passed a resolution to expand its present membership structure in favor of seat splitting.

Under the new regulations, each of the existing 35 Floor Member Seats will be converted on a two to one basis with four trading rights attached to each seat.

Over the past two years there has been an increasing demand for IPE memberships and the Exchange has recognized the need to broaden its capacity.

The new structure offers greater flexibility whereby existing members have the right to retain both seats or, alternatively sell or lease their additional seat. As a result new members can enter the market which, it is envisaged, would attract new customer business and further increase liquidity.

''This is an important step in the development of the Exchange and one which I am sure will help us remain competitive, encourage growth and increase turnover for each member,'' said Peter Wildblood, IPE's chief executive.

At the same meeting two new directors were elected to the board of the IPE; Rob Cole, Trafalgar Commodities Limited and Anthony Norton, GNI Wallace Limited.

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Accton Technology Corp. has released a new pocket-sized, MNP Class 5 modem to give LAN customers a means to establish reliable communication links away from a laptop computer.

The Accton 2400MNP-P is battery-powered and compact enough to fit on any laptop computer, making it ideal for traveling executives who need to dial into the network to access files and electronic mail messages.

Available now for a retail price of $459, Accton's 2400MNP-P is one of the only portable modems designed for laptop users that incorporates Microcom Networking Protocol (MNP) Class 1 to 5 error correction and data compression. Using MNP, transmission speeds for the 2400MNP-P can reach an effective rate of 4800 bps over dial-up lines.

The 2400MNP-P pocket modem connects directly to the RS-232C serial port of the computer and has a standard RJ-11 jack for the telephone connection. Measuring 4.68 by 2.42 by 1.21 inches, the 2400MNP-P includes a 9-volt battery for up to four hours of operation and an external power adapter.

Accton's laptop modem conforms to Bell 103/212A, CCITT V.21, V.22, V.22bis, and V.23 standards, and supports the Hayes AT command set. The modem includes automatic dialing and redialing, auto-answer, and full call progress monitoring functions, and will operate in either full or half duplex to support serial, binary, or asynchronous connections.

Accton Technology Corp. manufactures a complete line of computer network connectivity hardware and software. The company is headquartered at 46750 Fremont Boulevard, No. 104, Fremont, Calif. 94538; telephone 415/226-9800.

CONTACT: Accton Technology Corp., Fremont
Marshall Behling, 415/226-9800
or
Tom Woolf, 415/366-6231

-30- 1949
#90278b0764 10/05/1990 ~Business Wire

BAYONNE, NJ (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - William J. Campbell, president and chief executive officer of Pamrapo Savings Bank, S.L.A., and Pamrapo Bancorp Inc. Friday announced that the Bank has notified the Office of Thrift Supervision of the intention of its board of directors to declare and pay a dividend in the amount of $2 million to Pamrapo Bancorp Inc.

Although denial of the notification is not expected, no assurances in this regard can be made.

It is currently anticipated that some or all of such funds would be used by Pamrapo Bancorp Inc. to repurchase its common stock. Any such repurchases would require advance notice to the Office of Thrift Supervision and would only be effectuated to the extent deemed prudent by Management.

In light of the regulatory timeframes involved, Pamrapo does not anticipate having the ability to repurchase any stock until late October.

Pamrapo Bancorp Inc., a holding company organized in June, 1989, with 1,725,000 outstanding shares, has one wholly-owned subsidiary, Pamrapo Savings Bank, S.L.A. Pamrapo Bancorp Inc.'s common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol PBCI.

CONTACT: Pamrapo Bancorp. Inc., Bayonne
William J. Campbell, 201/339-4600

-30- 1431
#90278b0771 10/05/1990 ~Business Wire

MEMPHIS, TN (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Planters Corp. (NYSE:UPC) Friday announced the retirement of Robert F. Fogelman from the board of directors of

the corporation and its largest subsidiary Union Planters National Bank.

A spokesman for the corporation said that Fogelman tendered his resignation in a letter dated Sept. 27, 1990, and that no specific reason was given in the letter. The spokesman said that Fogelman had provided valuable service and input to both organizations since his election as a director in 1985.

Fogelman spends a great deal of time away form the city and the spokesman speculated that this might be part of the reason for the resignation. The corporations's 1990 proxy listed Fogelman as owning 319,758 shares of UPC common stock. Fogelman, who will continue to be a friend and supporter of both organizations, has not disposed of any shares according to the most recent SEC filings and insofar as it is known has no immediate plans to do so.

Fogelman was unavailable for comment.

CONTACT: Union Planters Corp., Memphis
Jackson W. Moore, 901/523-6093

-30- 1284
#90278b0817 10/05/1990 ~Business Wire

HOUSTON (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Co. (TEPPCO) (NYSE:TPP) recently elected Dewey Mark as a member of the board of directors.

Mark was president of San Antonio-based Diamond Shamrock Inc. from 1989 until his May 1 retirement. He joined the company in 1982 as executive vice president and was named chief operating officer in 1987. During his time with the company, he helped build Diamond Shamrock into one of the largest independent marketing and refining companies in the United States.

Currently a resident of Boerne, Texas, Mark is considered by some to be ''the father of the petrochemical industry'' in the United States because of his work in building the first BTX (benzene, toluene, xylene) plant and marketing its three products for Cosden Petroleum, now known as American Petrofina.

Mark is viewed as one of the country's leading experts on refined petroleum products and recently spoke before congressman Phil Sharp's Energy and Power subcommittee on behalf of the American Petroleum Institute and the refining and marketing industry.

He is the immediate past chairman of the National Petroleum Refiners Association, as well as being a member of the American Chemical Society and the Chemical Market Research Association.

TE Products Pipeline Co. L.P., headquartered in Houston, was formed to acquire own and operate the refined petroleum products and LPGs pipeline business of Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Co. the general partner of the partnership.

The company is one of the largest pipeline common carriers of refined petroleum products and LPGs in the United States.

CONTACT: Panhandle Eastern, Houston James W. Hart Jr., 713/627-4900 (media) orBrenda J. Peters, 713/759-3954 (investors)

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#90278b0826 10/05/1990 ~Business Wire

DALLAS (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The Securities and Exchange Commission has approved Central and South West Corp.'s (NYSE:CSR) application to reactivate its CSW Energy Inc., unit with authority to spend as much as $75 million to develop non-utility projects.

William R. Stratton has been named president of CSW Energy. He had been senior vice president of finance for Public Service Co. of Oklahoma, a CSW operating company, since 1980.

Stratton said that, as a startup company, CSW Energy is not likely to have any break-through announcements in the immediate future.

''But over the long run--with the capabilities CSW brings to non-utility generation--we should emerge as a significant player in a major subset of America's electric power industry.

''Over the next decade, it seems likely that non-utility enterprises will build half the new generating capacity in the United States,'' Stratton said.

Pending the SEC's approval, the staff of CSW Energy had been looking at marketing opportunities and discussing joint-venture affiliations with independent developers.

CSW Energy will get a first look at projects originated by several independent developers. ''Those that seem meritorious, we will follow through by providing financial, engineering and environmental support,'' Stratton said.

Central and South West Corp. is a Dallas-based public utility holding company. In addition to CSW Energy, it owns four electric operating subsidiaries that serve customers in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas. It also owns an Oklahoma intrastate

natural-gas pipeline subsidiary.

CONTACT: Central and South West Services Inc., Dallas Gerald Hunter, 214/754-1165

-30- 1896
#90278b0844 10/05/1990 ~Business Wire
EAST HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Friday, KCR Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:KCRT) and its major shareholder, Moore Business Forms Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Moore Corp. Ltd. (NYSE:MCL), made the following joint announcement.

Effective immediately, KCR will stop the active manufacturing, marketing and sale of its direct charge deposition non-impact printers. The currently installed base of some 18 machines will continue to be fully serviced and maintained by KCR personnel and will continue to provide feedback to KCR management concerning product capability and required enhancements. KCR operations will be refocused and will concentrate on the completion of several critical development projects which are necessary to refine its printer product.

For the immediate future, Moore Business Forms Inc. has agreed to provide the funding necessary to finance the restructured operations of KCR and its critical development projects.

Recently, Moore and KCR commenced an active search for a strategic investor partner who could leverage the proprietary printing technology which KCR has developed. Preliminary interest in this technology has emerged, and Moore and KCR have agreed to use their best efforts to attract a strategic partner. Possible terms and parties were not disclosed. If an acceptable strategic partner arrangement cannot be negotiated, it is unlikely that the company would be able to continue.

While Moore has successfully developed specialized ion deposition printing technology for use in its manufacturing operations, it has concluded that the manufacture and sale of printer products, such as those developed by KCR, is outside its corporate business mission. Therefore, both KCR and Moore recognize the need to place the KCR technology with a partner who has a demonstrated capability to manufacture and sell non-impact printers.

The announced restructuring will best position KCR to take full advantage of any strategic arrangement. Moore and KCR believe that such an arrangement would offer the best opportunities for KCR and its stockholders.

CONTACT: KCR Technology Inc., East Hartford
Richard J. Coburn, 203/289-8618

-30- 2379
#90278b0853 10/05/1990 ~Business Wire
WOBURN, MA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - MedChem Products Inc. (AMEX: MCH) announced Friday that its board of directors has adopted a shareholder rights

plan in which preferred stock purchase rights will be distributed as a dividend at the rate of one right for each share of common stock held as of the close of business Oct. 9, 1990.

Dr. David A. Swann, chairman of board, said the rights plan ''was not adopted in response to any actual or anticipated takeover threat, but reflected a decision by the board that such a plan could benefit the company and its shareholders if such a threat ever arose.''

He stated that the rights plan ''would not restrict consideration by the board of any offer on terms favorable to all shareholders, but it is intended to protect the interests of shareholders in the event the company is confronted with coercive or unfair takeover tactics.''

Each right will entitle the holders of the company's common stock to purchase 1/100 of a share of preferred stock in the company at an excercise price of $25. The rights will be excercisable only if a person or group has acquired beneficial ownership of 20 percent or more of the common stock or announces a tender or exchange offer that would result in such person or group owning 30 percent of more of the common stock.

If, after the rights become more exercisable, certain further events occur involving the potential acquiring person or group, such as a merger or increase in beneficial ownership of common stock by such person or group, each right not owned by a 20 percent or more shareholder will enable its holder to purchase at an exercise price of $25 that number of shares of the company's common stock which equals the excercise price of the right divided by one-half of the current market
price of such common stock at the date of the occurence of the event.

The company will generally be entitled to redeem the rights at 1 cent per share at any time until the 10th day (unless otherwise extended by the board) following public announcement that a 20 percent stock position has been acquired and in certain other circumstances. The rights will expire on Oct. 9, 2000 unless earlier redeemed or exchanged.

MedChem Products Inc. develops, manufactures and markets biomedical products for use in surgical and ophthalmic markets. These products, derived from naturally occurring biomaterials, help surgeons to perform delicate operations more safely and effectively.

CONTACT: MedChem Products Inc., Woburn Daniel E. Geffken, 617/938-9328

-30- 2740
#90278b0859 10/05/1990 ~Business Wire
CINCINNATI (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Heekin Can Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:HEKN) Friday reported increased sales and (excluding ''one-time'' gains in 1989) increased

profits for the third quarter ended Sept. 9.

For the quarter, food and aerosol net sales increased 8 percent to $93.2 million, compared with $85.9 million a year ago. Total net sales increased 5 percent. Total net sales for the third quarter 1989 included $2.6 million from the Reynolds Metals aluminum beverage can tolling agreement (which ended in July 1989).

Year to date, food and aerosol net sales increased 8 percent to $241.1 million up from the $223.2 million reported for the like period in 1989. Total net sales for the year to date rose 4 percent.

Excluding the favorable effect of 1989 ''one-time'' income (resulting from the July 1989 exit from aluminum beverage can tolling), net income increased 20 percent to $3.8 million, compared with $3.1 million for the third quarter 1989. Earnings per share also increased to $1.15 from 96 cents.

Third-quarter 1989 one-time adjustments described above amounted to an additional 44 cents per share.

Year-to-date net income, excluding the ''one-time'' gains from tolling, also increased, rising 10 percent from $7.8 million to $8.5 million. Earnings per share for the period also increased, from the $2.40 a year ago to $2.62, or up 9 percent. Through the first three quarters 1989, all of the one-time adjustments related to tolling amounted to a favorable 29 cents per share.

Heekin Can Inc. is a Cincinnati-based manufacturer of a diverse line of metal containers for the food, pet food and personal care markets. The company has 12 plants and sells to customers in 33 states.

CONTACT: Heekin Can Inc., Cincinnati
Perry H. Schwartz, 513/489-3200

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#90278b0865 10/05/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (OCT. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Bidermann Industries Corp. announced the promotion of Juanita O.L. Brown to vice president and assistant treasurer effective immediately.

In this new position for the company, Brown will be responsible for all areas of banking relationships, cash management, financial analysis, risk management and tax planning. All executives and managers of these specific corporate areas will report to Brown.

Brown joined Bidermann in April, 1990 as the Director of Financial Analysis. She has 20 years of experience in the financial field with Bristol-Myers Squibb, American Can and Union Carbide. In her new capacity, she will report

directly to Peter C. Kells, executive vice president and chief financial officer of Bidermann Industries Corp.

Bidermann Industries is a leading marketer and manufacturer of designer men's and womenswear, offering labels by such prestigious designers as Ralph Lauren, Bill Robinson and Yves Saint Laurent, among others. Since its acquisition of Cluett, Peabody and Co. Inc. in March 1990, Bidermann also markets well-known branded apparel as Arrow Shirts, GoldToe socks and Burberry's tailored clothing, dress and sport furnishings.

CONTACT: Bidermann Industries Corp., New York
Maria DeLuca, 212/972-2800

-30- 1467
#90278b0869 10/05/1990 ~Business Wire
WESTBURY, NY (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - E-Z-M Inc., a leading supplier of diagnostic imaging products, is recalling all products which contain natural latex.

The products affected are cuffed enema tips. The voluntary recall is being made in cooperation with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as a result of increased reported sensitivity to natural latex, resulting in allergic and anaphylactoid reactions. The recall is effective immediately

Dr. Philip H. Meyers, Medical Director at E-Z-EM indicated that recent published reports indicated an increase in the finding of hypersensitivity reactions to natural latex including reports of eczema, contract urticaria, respiratory symptoms, and shock. This information was distributed to the medical community by E-Z-EM in an urgent medical alert letter dated May 17.

E-Z-EM has established an information center to answer any questions regarding products affected with the voluntary recall. Daniel R. Martin, president of E-Z-EM stated that enema tips, without cuffs, are being manufactured on an expedited basis to insure continued availability of barium enema procedures. For additional information please call (800)443-0071.

CONTACT: E-Z-EM Inc., Westbury Daniel R. Martin or Dennis J. Curtin, 516/333-8230

-30- 1455
#90278c0002 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:28 that trade in MIPS Computer Systems Inc.(NASDAQ: MIPS) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 12 1/4.

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#90278c0003 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:39 that trade in International Multifoods (NASDAQ: IMC) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on NYSE.

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#90278c0004 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:42 that trade in XL Datacomp Inc.(NASDAQ: XLDC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7 1/4. The company is located in Hinsdale, IL.

-30- 332
#90278c0005 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:44 that trade in Selvac Corp.(NASDAQ: SLVC) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 1/4; down 5/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 336
#90278c0006 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:50 that trade in MIPS Computer Systems Inc.(NASDAQ: MIPS) has been resumed. The first sale was 8; down 4 1/4 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 360
#90278c0007 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:52 that trade in Pharmakinetics Labs (NASDAQ: PKLB) has been resumed. The first sale was 11 1/16; up 3/16 point from the halt, and up 1/16 point from the previous close.

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#90278c0009 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 2:

Bank of East Tennessee (EATN)

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#90278c0010 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 4, due to an insufficient number of active market makers - listed on NYSE:

Martin Lawrence Ltd. Edition Inc. (MLLE)

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 3, due to not being current in required filings:

Management Co. Entertainment Group (MCEGE)

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#90278c0011 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 4:

American Midland Corp. (AMCOC) to (AMCO)
Disease Detection International Inc. - (DDIIV) to (DDII)
Great Lakes Bancorp, A Federal Savings Bank - noncumulative perpetual pfd A (GLBCP) to (GLBCZ)

Insituform Group Ltd. - Wts. (IGLWF) to Wts. 9/28/91 (IGLWF)
Novametrix Medical Systems Inc. (NMTXE) to (NMTX)

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#90278c0012 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:50 that trade in XL/Datacomp Inc.(NASDAQ: XLDC) has been resumed. The first sale was 7 1/2; up 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90278c0013 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY INTERWEST PARTNERS II OWNS 565,666 SHARES (7.82%) OF THE OFFICE CLUB INC (TICKER: OCLB) OF CONCORD, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Interwest Partners II acquired 195,000 shares on Sept. 19, 1990 for $1.95 million.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90278c0014 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 5,678,518 SHARES (4.70%) OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP (TICKER: SPC) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 27 to Sept. 24, 1990, FMR Corp. sold 976,315 shares for $23 to $32.81 per share and purchased 55,900 shares for $25.38 to $32.75 per share.

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#90278c0015 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY A. SANKARY OWNS 15,591,540 SHARES (93.00%) OF ALS FORMAL WEAR INC (TICKER: TUXX) OF EULESS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 15, 1990, Mr. Sankary entered into a non-binding letter of intent led by Shelley Arnette and the venture capital firm of O'Donnell & Masur for the purchase of their common shares of the company and 100 percent of related companies not owned by the company. It is expected that the company will go private through a merger that would involve the redemption of 1,155,000 shares not owned by A. Sankary. The price to be paid has not yet been determined. Vernon Minton was granted an option to purchase 1,399,871 shares for $.75 per share from Mr. Sankary pursuant to a call agreement dated Feb. 16, 1988.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90278c0017 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 2, 1990, Portland General Corp.'s board approved the purchase agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby, and parent delivered to the company a letter advising the company of such approval.

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#90278c0018 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORP OF DOVER, DE OWNS 78,389 SHARES (7.22%) OF FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES CO (TICKER: FPU) OF WEST PALM BEACH, FL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From the date of the last filing, Nov. 14, 1988 through Oct. 1, 1990, Chesapeake Utilities Corp. purchased 13,195 shares at a price of $15 to $23.75 per share.

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#90278c0019 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

B.J. JAECK OWNS 249,576 SHARES (2.00%) OF ABOVE TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: ABVE) OF IRVINE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The purchase price is to be paid in various installments, the last of which is scheduled for January 1992. $75,000 was paid upon execution of the stock purchase agreement. Upon receipt of $175,000 in installments to be made in October and November 1990, 1,250,000 shares shall be released to Preston Investments Ltd. and the remaining 1,150,000 shares are to be released upon receipt of the remaining balance of $230,000. Ms. Jaeck and Mr. Rafferty also agreed to resign as officers and directors of Above Technologies Inc. and to donate back 11,781,767 shares to Above Technologies Inc.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 6, 1990, Ms. Jaeck and Robert Rafferty agreed to sell 2,400,000 shares to Preston investments Ltd. for $480,000 pursuant to a stock purchase agreement.

PURPOSE:

Stock exchange.

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#90278c0020 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.H. MCKINNEY OWNS 604,197 SHARES (34.90%) OF THE SOMERSET GROUP INC (TICKER: SOMR) OF INDIANAPOLIS, IN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 30, 1990 R.H. McKinney acquired 122,063 shares at $8.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

To make a significant investment.

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#90278c0021 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

R.J. RAFFERTY OWNS 249,575 SHARES (2.00%) OF ABOVE TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: ABVE) OF IRVINE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 6, 1990, Rafferty and Brenda Jaeck agreed to sell a total of 2.4 million company common shares to Preston Investments Ltd. for $480,000. The shares are currently in escrow so Preston has no voting rights to the stock. Rafferty and Jaeck intend to resign as officers and directors of Above Technologies and to donate 11,781,767 shares back to the company. Rafferty and Jaeck collectively owned 60.31 percent. Rafferty entered into the stock purchase agreement to facilitate his departure from the company.

PURPOSE:

Stock purchase agreement.

-30- 887
#90278c0022 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY J.P. LENNANE OF SACRAMENTO, CA OWNS 1,283,100 SHARES (9.67%) OF ASK COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: ASKI) OF MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 2, 1990, Lennane sold a total of 200 shares at $6.63 each to Bowers and Cresci.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

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#90278c0023 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY H.M. HOFFMAN TRUSTEE OWNS 681,850 SHARES (10.60%) OF H.H. ROBERTSON CO (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 14, 1990, the executors of the estate reported their withdrawal from a group consisting of Douglas A. Kass, DAK Securities Corp., and H.H.R. Acquisition Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

from Sept. 17, 1990 to Sept. 27, the estate sold 3,350 shares at $6.88 to $8 each.

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#90278c0025 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Seaboard Savings and Loan Association (TICKER: SEAB) announced Sept. 26, 1990, that it has received the approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) to convert to a federal stock savings bank.

The bank also received OTS approval to reorganize into the holding company form of organization.

All shares of the association will automatically convert, effective on the date of reorganization, into shares of the holding company, Seaboard Bancorp Inc. ("SBI"), on a one-for-one basis.

Stockholders will not be required to exchange their share certificates for certificates of certificates of SBI.

Seaboard is a Virginia-chartered stock savings and loan association providing mortgage and retail banking services mainly in the Hampton Roads area.

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#90278c0026 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows International CMOS Technology Inc.(TICKER: ICTI) reported it has laid off six of its full-time employees, including its vice president of marketing, and most temporary manufacturing employees, due to a decrease in company sales.

Drew A. Osterman, the company's chief executive officer, and other employees, will assume the marketing and sales responsibilities.

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#90278c0027 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Pettibone Corp.(TICKER: PETT) on Oct. 3, 1990, announced it will terminate operations at its Cleveland, Ohio facility.

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#90278c0028 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Clark Oil & Refining Corp. appointed the firm of Coopers & Lybrand as its independent accountants, on Sept. 27, 1990.

The company dismissed the firm of Arthur Andersen & Co. as its independent accountants on that same date.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors

contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90278c0029 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Charge Inc.'s former auditors, Ramberg, Ely & Associates, withdrew their services.

The company subsequently engaged the firm of Robert Moe & Associates, P.S., as its new accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90278c0030 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 17 1990, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Colorado confirmed Victor H. Palmieri as the Chapter 11 trustee in the proceeding of Colorado-Ute Electric Association Inc.

The company previously operated as a debtor-in-possession from March 30, 1990 to Aug. 22, 1990.

The company filed for bankruptcy in March, 1990.

The company's executive office is located at P.O. Box 1149, 1845 South Townsend Ave., Montrose, Colorado 81402-1149.

Its telephone number is (303) 249-4501.

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#90278c0031 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Astra Corp.(TICKER: ASSN), on Sept. 19, 1990, dismissed Gerald P. Bonder & Co. as its independent accountant.

The company appointed J.G. Hodgson & Co. Inc. as its new independent accountant.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90278c0033 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 21, 1990, Southeast Banking Corp.(TICKER: STB) announced its board of directors had determined to omit payment of the company's quarterly dividend to common shareholders.

The dividend was $0.10 per share, for the previous quarter.

The board declared quarterly dividends on Southeast's Series A adjustable rate preferred stock and its 8.75% Series E cumulative preferred stock of $0.938 and $2.1875 per share, respectively, payable Sept. 28, 1990.

The company also announced it will increase its reserve for credit losses by making a third-quarter provision for credit losses of approximately $85 million.

The reserve for credit losses is expected to be approximately $300 to $310 million as of Sept. 30, 1990.

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#90278c0034 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the U.S. Second Court of Appeals upheld the conviction of Biopharmaceutics Inc., (TICKER: BPH) of fraud.

Outback Oil & Mineral Exploration Corp.(TICKER: OUTB) owns approximately a 27% interest in Biopharmaceutics.

Biopharmaceutics was fined $173,650 for its conduct in its previously operated Medicare/Medicaid business, discontinued in early 1986.

The conviction of a former officer and director, Barry M. Gleicher, was also upheld by the court.

The appeal of Steven Weiss, another former officer, is still pending.

The company presently is evaluating a further appeal of the fine and other legal actions that may or may not be available to it.

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#90278c0035 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 20, 1990, Mr. Larry E. Rembold submitted his resignation as a director, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of Olson

Industries Inc.

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#90278c0036 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 25, 1990, Golden State Capital Corp. changed its name to to Con-Tech Systems Inc.

The company also reports that Stuart Evey has resigned as a director of the company.

Con-Tech's executive office is located at 104 S. Mill Street, Creswell, Oregon 97426 and its telephone number is (503) 895-3224.

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#90278c0037 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that Hanover Bancorp has announced that it intends to buy back shares of its outstanding common stock through open market purchases.

Hanover Bancorp is the parent bank holding company of Bank of Hanover and Trust Co. headquartered in Hanover, PA.

As of Aug. 31, 1990, Hanover Bancorp had consolidated assets of approximately $243.29 million, consolidated liabilities of approximately $223.70 million and shareholders' equity of approximately $19.59 million.

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#90278c0038 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United Shoppers of America Inc.(TICKER: USOA) earned $78,543, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $179,547 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.20 million, or $0.42 per share, on revenues of $1.55 million for the nine-month period ended June 30, 1989.

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#90278c0039 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Computer Data Systems Inc.(TICKER: CPTD) earned $3.71 million, or $1.29 per share, on revenues of $134.88 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $844,500, or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $105.49 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90278c0041 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - Sonic Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 2.60 million shares of its common stock with an additional 1.10 million shares being offered by certain selling shareholders of the company.

It is anticipated the initial public offering price will be between $10 and $12 per share.

First Boston Corp. and Stephens Inc. are managing the offering.

Sonic Corp. operates and franchises drive-in restaurants under the name "Sonic" that feature fast service and a limited menu of moderately priced, cooked-to-order-items.

The company's executive office is located at 120 Robert S. Kerr Ave., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102 and its telephone number is (405) 232-4334.

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#90278c0042 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:26 that trade in Travelers Corp.(NASDAQ: TIC) has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE.

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#90278c0043 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Travelers Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol TIC. Trading was resumed at 13:01.

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#90278c0044 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GOLDEN OIL CO DEL OF HOUSTON, TX OWNS 2,208,359 SHARES (32.80%) OF COBB RESOURCES CORP (TICKER: COBB) OF ALBUQUERQUE, NM.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 1, 1990, Golden Oil Co. Del agreed to purchase 100,000 shares from

Patrick Russell and receive an option, right of first refusal and a proxy for an additional 287,000 shares for an aggregate of $125,000. On Sept. 24, 1990, at the request of Golden Oil Co. Del, Ralph T. McElvenny Jr. was elected to the board of Cobb Resources Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 28, 1990, Golden acquired 10,000 shares for $.75 per share.

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#90278c0045 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

EXPERTA TREUHAND AG OWNS 1,505,000 SHARES (7.10%) OF COMPONENTGUARD INC (TICKER: PLUG).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90278c0046 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 39

ANNOUNCEMENT:

NL (TICKER: NL) and Valhi have agreed to terminate their previously announced merger. The decision was based upon a review of current market conditions. The board of NL Ind. Inc. has authorized the purchase of up to 5 million common shares over a period of time to be used as capital stock.

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#90278c0047 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

W.R. WOODY JR OWNS 556,721 SHARES (17.30%) OF MICROWAVE LABORATORIES INC (TICKER: MWAV) OF RALEIGH, NC.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

W.R. Woody Jr. purchased 66,667 shares for $.30 per share.

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#90278c0049 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

P. BOURDEAU OWNS 62,856 SHARES (6.60%) OF ELECTRONIC CONTROL SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: ELCS) OF FAIRMONT, WV.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 31, 1990, Control Techniques USA entered into an option agreement with P. Bourdeau and other shareholders pursuant to which CTUSA agreed to deliver an offer to Electronic Control Systems Inc. proposing a merger. Pursuant to the agreement, the shareholders have granted an option to CTUSA to purchase 443,582 common shares for $2.43 per share. On Sept. 28, 1990, Control Techniques USA entered into an agreement and plan of merger with Electronic Control Systems Inc. pursuant to which a subsidiary of CTUSA will merger with Electronic Control Systems Inc. Each shares of Electronic Control Systems Inc. will be exchanged for $2.43 per share less an amount based on expenses.

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#90278c0050 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 3, 1990, Chartwell announced that its representatives have resigned from Avon Products Inc.'s (TICKER: AVP) special committee because the committee has not shown any desire to fulfill the original charge to investigate ways to enhance shareholder value.

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#90278c0051 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CENTENNIAL ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 413,800 SHARES (6.22%) OF BTU INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: BTUI) OF NORTH BILLERICA, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Centennial Associates LP purchased 76,300 shares from Aug. 24 to Oct. 3, 1990 for $1.38 to $2.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90278c0052 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 5,678,518 SHARES (4.70%) OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP (TICKER: SPC) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90278c0053 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Investors Savings Corp.(TICKER: INVS) and its subsidiary, Investors Savings Bank F.S.B., has elected James M. Burkholder as president and chief executive officer to replace Thomas R. Fritz, who resigned in August.

Additionally, the bank announced John G. Lohmann Jr., executive vice president and chief lending officer, will assume full responsibility for the bank's mortgage lending operations.

Also, Lynn Bueltel was named chief financial officer. Bueltel has been a senior vice president and controller of the bank since September, 1989.

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#90278c0054 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Prime Motor Inns (TICKER: PDQ) and certain subsidiaries filed a voluntary petition

for bankruptcy protection under Chapter 11, in the southern district of Florida.

Prime is being operated as a debtor-in-possession under the code.

The company is authorized to operate its business, but may not engage in transactions outside the ordinary course of business without approval of the bankruptcy court.

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#90278c0055 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Landmark Bancshares Corp.(TICKER: LBC) on Sept. 27, 1990, announced it will increase its reserve for possible loan losses by approximately $2.5 million, or to 1.40% of total loans.

The bank stated it expects third quarter earnings of approximately $1.0 million as a result of this increase and the application of the alternative minimum tax.

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#90278c0057 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 10, 1990, Murdock Capital Corp. was notified by Omnitec Inc.(TICKER: OTEC) that the American National Bank and Trust Co. (the "bank") had declared a default in loans due the bank by Omnitec.

Substantially all the assets of Omnitec and its operating subsidiaries had been pledged to the bank as collateral.

The bank foreclosed on Sept. 6, 1990 on all Omnitec's obligations.

At the time of foreclosure, Murdock held a debenture issued by Omnitec for $200,000.

It held shares of common stock of Omnitec, for which it had invested an additional $200,000.

As a result of the seizure and sale of Omnitec assets by the bank, Murdock reports it now believes that $400,000 in Omnitec securities it holds as its principal assets are worthless.

Murdock states it is proceeding with its planned exchange with Miller Diversified Corp., although the exchange ratio has been adjusted as a result of the Omnitec matter, to 200 Murdock shares for each Miller share, from 90 Murdock shares for each Miller share.

Murdock's executive office is located at 1100 10th Street, Greeley, Colorado 80632 and its telephone number is (303) 356-3229.

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#90278c0058 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 16 1990, Herb Kaufman, the majority stockholder of Visitel Network Inc., filed for reorganization in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Nevada.

No receiver or fiscal agent was appointed; Kaufman is a debtor- n-possession.

No plan of reorganization has been agreed on at present.

In other news, on Sept. 17, 1990, Visitel engaged the firm of Laventhol & Horwath to replace Wolinetz, Gottlieb & Lafazan, P.C. as its certifying accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

Additionally, on Sept. 4, 1990, Visitel executed 10% convertible notes in the aggregate face amount of $500,000 to the following foreign entities:

Wirtschafts Und Privatbank, $300,000 and $50,000; Bank Scandinave Suisse, $50,000, $50,000 and $50,000.

The company's executive offices are located at 2860 Flamingo Road, Suite D, Las Vegas, NV 89121, and its telephone number is: (702) 735-1684.

-30- 1318

#90278c0059 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows shareholders of Wassertech International Corp. on Aug. 8, 1990, elected five new directors, as follows: Horst Koenig, chairman of the board; Peter Schmid; Dieter Oberhuber; Meinolf Schoeberl and Hannelore Holbein.

In other news, also on Aug. 8, the shareholders authorized Wassertech to acquire General Water Development Corp. (GWD), located in Liechtenstein, as a wholly-owned subsidiary.

GWD is a manufacturing company that produces and markets a water purification device utilizing the principals of anodic oxidation.

Wassertech will issue 1.31 million shares of common stock to GWD shareholders.

GWD shareholders will tender 1.31 shares to Wassertech.

All GWD shareholders are citizens of the Federal Republic of Germany.

The acquisition is to be finalized and escrow closed as of Sept. 30, 1990.

The company's new executive offices are located at 66 Red Hill Circle, Tiburon CA 94920, and its telephone number is (415) 435-3605.

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#90278c0060 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 26, 1990, Harmoney Street Capital Inc. entered into a letter of intent with M.M. Ross Inc., a Louisiana corporation, d/b/a Network Long Distance ("Network").

Pursuant to the agreement, Harmoney will acquire all of the issued and outstanding common stock of Network in exchange for approximately 12.53 million shares of Harmoney's common stock.

The agreement further states that Harmoney at the time of execution of the agreement, will have cash assets of approximately $175,000.

The agreement also states that Network will provide three years of audited financial statements at closure of the agreement.

The company's new board of directors will consist of Mark Vecker, Mike Ross, Dr. Edelman and one independent member.

On completion of the transaction, Michael Bergner and Leon Nowalsky, present officers and directors of Harmoney, will each retain 500,000 shares of Harmoney common stock, of which 200,000 shares will be placed in an escrow account.

If Bergner and Nowalsky are successful within a three-year period in establishing additional financing of $1.0 and $3.0 million, the 200,000 shares held in escrow will be returned to them.

Harmoney's executive office is located at 1433 Harmony Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70115. Its telephone number is (504) 837-1035.

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#90278c0061 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows American Pacesetter (TICKER: AEC) dismissed Kenneth Leventhal & Co. as its independent

accountant, effective Sept. 27, 1990.

The company engaged the firm of Deloitte & Touche as its principal accountants to audit its financial statements for the year ended Dec. 31, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90278c0062 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows KWA Financial Corp. elected a new president, James Truett Richardson, and a new vice president of administration, Thomas L. Coston.

David S. Baggett has become the company's new vice president of finance.

KWA's executive office is located at 777 Main Street, Suite 1600, Fort Worth Texas 76102 and its telephone number is (817) 870-1880.

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#90278c0063 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Cardiac Control Systems Inc.(TICKER: CCSC) received on Sept. 25, 1990, final clearance from the U.S. Food & Drug Administration for commercial distribution of the Maestro SAVVI single-pass atrial rate-response ventricular pacing ("VDD") system.

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#90278c0065 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 28, 1990, George A. Switlyk resigned as chairman and director of Lloyd's Acceptance Corp.(TICKER: LAAC) and was replaced by his brother, John J. Switlyk.

Lloyd's also reports it has filed a breach of contract suit against William B. Smith, president of Real Estate of North America Inc., of Tulsa for failing to abide by a joint venture agreement regarding the Park Plaza Hotel located in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mr. Smith, as of Sept. 12, 1990, voluntarily filed under Chapter 11.

Lloyd's reports it will pursue its claims in bankruptcy court.

The executive office of Lloyd's is located at 2236 N.W. 10th Street, Suite 121

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73107.

Its telephone number is (405) 236-3434.

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#90278c0066 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Technology 80 Inc.(TICKER: TKAT) has announced that it has named Duane Markus as interim chief executive officer.

The company's board of directors also directed that James E. Andreasen, president and chief operating officer, should devote his efforts entirely to the sale of the company's Channel Products division.

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#90278c0067 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - Palisades Capital Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer up to 150,000 units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock, one Class A warrant and one Class B warrant.

The initial public offering price is $0.10 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 15663 West Wedge Way, Morrison, Colorado 80465 and its telephone number is (303) 697-6138.

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#90278c0068 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - Ionix Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 200,000 units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and five redeemable common stock purchase warrants.

An additional 500,000 units are being registered for offering by and are to be sold on behalf of certain shareholders of the company after completion of the company's offering.

The initial public offering price is $1.00 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the

proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 425 North Martingale Road, Suite 1309, Schaumburg, Illinois 60173.

Its telephone number is (312) 330-1001.

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#90278c0069 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - John Boutari and Sons Wines adn Spirits has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares, each representing one fully paid preferred share in bearer form of the company.

The company is incorporated in Greece.

The depositary bank is Citibank, N.A. and its telephone number is (212) 559-2107.

Ten million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $15 per unit.

The registration fee is $375.

NOTE: The unit price of $15 is estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee.

Each unit represents 100 American Depositary Shares.

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#90278c0070 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - Direct Connect International Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in whicit proposes to offer 4,836,750 shares of common stock and 3,224,500 redeemable Class B warrants.

The shares of common stock and redeemable Class B warrants are issuable only upon exercise of the company's outstanding redeemable Class A warrants which were issued by the company in an initial public offering in Nov. 1989.

The company's initial public offering consisted of the sale of 718,750 units at $4.00 per unit, each unit consisting of 4 shares of common stock and 4 redeemable Class A warrants.

The company designs, develops, markets and distributes a variety of infant and preschool toy products which are manufactured in the Far East.

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#90278c0071 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - Israel Land and Development Co. Ltd. has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts for ordinary shares of the par value of New Israeli Shekel 1.00 each of the company.

The depositary bank is Bank of New York and its telephone number is (212) 495-1727.

Fifty million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $5 per unit.

The registration fee is $625.

NOTE: Each unit represents 100 American Depositary Shares.

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#90278c0073 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Orion Pictures Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol OPC. Trading was resumed at 14:54.

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#90278c0074 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B. VANLEEUWEN OF 1574 GUMWOOD AVE, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84123, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,250 SHARES OF EVEREST FUNDING CORP.(TICKER: EVST) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEPT. 28, 1990.

(EVEREST FUNDING CORP. TEL: 404 859-0741)

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#90278c0075 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - N.T. STEELE OF 1104 COUNTRY HILLS DR, SUITE 307, OGDEN, UT 84403, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,250 SHARES OF WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC.(TICKER: WSFG) THROUGH R.B. MARICH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 3, 1990.

(WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC. TEL: 801 782-9686)

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#90278c0076 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P. HURST OF P O BOX 9119, OGDEN, UT 84409, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC.(TICKER: WSFG) THROUGH R.B. MARICH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 3, 1990.

(WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC. TEL: 801 782-8888)

-30- 407
#90278c0077 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. BOTTOMLY OF 440 EAST 400 SOUTH, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84111, HAS FILED TO SELL 225,000 SHARES OF MEDIZONE INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: MZEI) THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 2, 1990.

(MEDIZONE INTERNATIONAL INC TEL: 212 421-0303)

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#90278c0078 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D. BECKERMAN OF 10535 FOOTHILL BLVD, RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF HOMECARE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: HMIS) THROUGH GRUNTAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 2, 1990.

(HOMECARE MANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 516 654-3392)

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#90278c0079 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AZTEC CAPITAL INC OF 3165 TIFFANY TERRACE, COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80920, HAS FILED TO SELL 97,625 SHARES OF VALENCIA CAPITAL INC. THROUGH HANIFEN & IMHOFF INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 2, 1990.

(VALENCIA CAPITAL INC. TEL: 213 653-3770)

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#90278c0081 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CIMMARRON CAPITAL INC OF 3165 TIFFANY TERRACE, COLORADO SPRINGS, CO

80920, HAS FILED TO SELL 110,125 SHARES OF VALENCIA CAPITAL INC. THROUGH HANIFEN & IMHOFF INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 2, 1990.

(VALENCIA CAPITAL INC. TEL: 213 653-3770)

-30- 436
#90278c0082 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.H. COX OF 807 LA GUNA, VENICE, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF FLORIDA WESTCOAST BANKS INC. THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 1, 1990.

(FLORIDA WESTCOAST BANKS INC. TEL: 813 488-7771)

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#90278c0083 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OLENJIK RANDALL & JEFFREY TRUST OF 965 DECATUR AVE N, GOLDEN VALLEY, MN 55427, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF SPORTSMAN'S GUIDE INC. THROUGH MESIROW CAPITAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 2, 1990.

(SPORTSMAN'S GUIDE INC. TEL: 612 546-3849)

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#90278c0084 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.S. THOMPSON OF 10150 WEST 35TH AVE, WHEATRIDGE, CO 80033, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,516 SHARES OF APACHE ENERGY & MINERALS (TICKER: APCH) THROUGH MALONE & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 1, 1990.

(APACHE ENERGY & MINERALS TEL: 303 233-9117)

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#90278c0085 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.M. MILLS OF P O BOX 188, MELIS RD, WARDSBORO, VT 05355, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,187 SHARES OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO.(TICKER: SDEV) THROUGH GAGE-WILEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 1, 1990.

(SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO. TEL: 617 337-0877)

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#90278c0086 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.J. ZARLENGO OF 4851 INDEPENDENCE ST #150, WHEAT RIDGE, CO 80033, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,400 SHARES OF ADVANCE DISPLAY TECHNS INC.(TICKER: ADTI) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 1, 1990.

(ADVANCE DISPLAY TECHNS INC. TEL: 303 278-3401)

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#90278c0087 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WEE LUM CHENG MDM OF 34551 ARDENWOOD BLVD, FREMONT, CA 94555, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,200 SHARES OF FLEXTRONICS INC. (TICKER: FLEX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(FLEXTRONICS INC. TEL: 415 794-3539)

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#90278c0089 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID R TACKE OF 5410 ROYAL CREST, 0, DALLAS, TX 75229, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(E-SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 214 661-1000)

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#90278c0090 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED SAGER OF 26 WOODEDGE DR, DIX HILLS, NY 11746, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,668 SHARES OF LOGITEK INC (TICKER: LGTK) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 02, 1990.

(LOGITEK INC TEL: 516 467-4200)

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#90278c0091 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - GORDON L SMITH OF 135 EAST BALTIMORE ST, BALTIMORE, MD 21202, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(BROWN (ALEX) INC. TEL: 301 727-1700)

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#90278c0092 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM LARMOR OF 18 WEST LANE, 0, BAYSHORE, NY 11706, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,811 SHARES OF CORPORATE INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: CICO) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(CORPORATE INVESTMENT CO. TEL: 215 436-0844)

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#90278c0093 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAURA L KNEE OF 11 HAYNES RD, AVON, CT 06001, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF TRIDEX CORP. (TICKER: TDX) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 02, 1990.

(TRIDEX CORP. TEL: 203 226-1144)

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#90278c0094 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 02, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

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#90278c0095 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRISON A STORMS OF 7241 AVENIA ALTISIMA, PALOS VERDES, CA 90274, HAS

FILED TO SELL 33,334 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH LOVETT UNDERWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 02, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

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#90278c0097 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANZ E LAZARUS OF 74 ALBION RD, WELLESLEY HILLS, MA 02181, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 02, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

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#90278c0098 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN H ABELES OF 867 EL PINTADO RD, DANVILLE, CA 94526, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN BIONETICS INC. (TICKER: AMBI) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON SEP 28, 1990.

(AMERICAN BIONETICS INC. TEL: 415 732-9000)

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#90278c0099 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAC-FUNG FEATHER CO LTD OF ONE KENDALL SQUARE BLDG 300, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 02, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

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#90278c0100 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FAN SHI HOO OF ONE KENDALL SQUARE BLDG 300, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 02, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

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#90278c0101 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE F CHEK OF ONE KENDALL SQUARE BLDG 300, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 02, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

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#90278c0102 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KELVIN K CHU OF ONE KENDALL SQUARE BLDG 300, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 02, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

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#90278c0103 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GROVE ESTATES KELVIN OF 289 LEZAK RD, P O BOX 518, SEALY, TX 77474, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,604 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH JONES GABLE & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 409 885-4158)

-30- 411
#90278c0105 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO OF 515 SOUTH FLOWER ST, 0, LOS ANGELES, CA 90071, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF LYONDELL PETROCHEMICAL CO. (TICKER: LYO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(LYONDELL PETROCHEMICAL CO. TEL: 713 652-7200)

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#90278c0106 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD P KAMIN OF 208 S LASALLE ST, SUITE 1750, CHICAGO, IL 60604, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH FIRST OPTIONS CHICAGO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 213 468-8867)

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#90278c0107 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANCIC OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,783 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

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#90278c0108 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CREDINTER OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,521 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

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#90278c0109 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN J KEARY JR OF 75 MAPLE AVE, TROY, NY 12180, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(MEGA GROUP INC. TEL: 518 271-6044)

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#90278c0110 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G ROLAND KERSTEN OF 601 WYTHE ST S #202, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314, HAS FILED

TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(CEL-SCI CORP. TEL: 703 549-5293)

-30- 399
#90278c0111 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MORRILL ASSOCIATES LP OF P O BOX 370, SHERBORN, MA 01770, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,976 SHARES OF CONCURRENT COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CCUR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(CONCURRENT COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 201 758-7000)

-30- 439
#90278c0113 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GRAHAM C MILLER OF 29 PLEASANT STREET, SO NATICK, MA 01760, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF LTX CORP. (TICKER: LTXX) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 02, 1990.

(LTX CORP. TEL: 617 461-1000)

-30- 380
#90278c0114 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FAN YUEN FONG OF ONE KENDALL SQUARE BLDG 300, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 02, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 428
#90278c0115 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEON E HOOTEN III OF 10915 WICKERSHAM, HOUSTON, TX 77042, HAS FILED TO SELL 166,667 SHARES OF MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MSCX) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. TEL: 713 977-1312)

-30- 419
#90278c0116 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARL E SNYDER OF 5391 NEWLAND RD, PARADISE, CA 95969, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,000 SHARES OF WESTAIR HOLDING INC. (TICKER: WAH) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(WESTAIR HOLDING INC. TEL: 209 294-6915)

-30- 418
#90278c0117 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER J SPRAGUE OF 645 MADISON AVE, 4TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: NSM) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. TEL: 408 721-5000)

-30- 448
#90278c0118 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELLEN FOULKE OF 4301 NE 30 TERRACE, 0, LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FL 33064, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF QSR INC. (TICKER: QSRI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(QSR INC. TEL: 305 772-4224)

-30- 393
#90278c0119 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANTHONY N KAMIN OF 1010 EASTWOOD, GLENCOE, IL 60022, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH FIRST OPTIONS CHICAGO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 213 468-8867)

-30- 429
#90278c0121 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - JOHN V HAZLETON JR OF 5617 N MILITARY, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73118, HAS FILED TO SELL 28,000 SHARES OF USA WASTE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: USAS) THROUGH SANDERS MORRIS MUNDY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(USA WASTE SERVICES INC. TEL: 405 360-6612)

-30- 430
#90278c0122 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G ROLAND KERSTEN OF 601 WYTHE ST S #202, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(CEL-SCI CORP. TEL: 703 549-5293)

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#90278c0123 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FLEMING VENTURES LTD OF 1730 FOX DRIVE, SAN JOSE, CA 95131, HAS FILED TO SELL 90,000 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 408 331-2200)

-30- 458
#90278c0124 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E OLSEN OF 1625 LARIMER ST #3107, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,100 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

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#90278c0125 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MERRILL LYNCH INTERFUNDING INC OF 3440 EAST HOUSTON ST, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78219, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER:

KNCI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. TEL: 512 225-4092)

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#90278c0126 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JANE J NETHERTON OF 6063 LOYNES DR, 0, LONG BEACH, CA 90803, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,110 SHARES OF PLASTIGONE TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GONE) THROUGH BATEMAN EICHLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(PLASTIGONE TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 305 274-1233)

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#90278c0127 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CRAIG DILL OF P O BOX 55, BEALETON, VA 22712, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEMORY SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: MEMX) THROUGH SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(MEMORY SCIENCES CORP. TEL: 703 361-9745)

-30- 409
#90278c0129 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ENGLAND AQUARIUM NEW OF 5 SHAWMUT RD, CANTON, MA 02021, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF COMPUTER IDENTICS CORP. (TICKER: CIDN) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(COMPUTER IDENTICS CORP. TEL: 617 821-0830)

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#90278c0130 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES D MORGAN JR OF ROUTE 5, BOX 114-01, CONWAY, AK 72032, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ACXIOM CORP. (TICKER: ACXM) THROUGH CHICAGO CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(ACXIOM CORP. TEL: 501 329-6836)

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#90278c0131 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MILLER G RAY CHARITABLE TR OF 108 SOUTH AKARD, APT 8204, DALLAS, TX 75202, HAS FILED TO SELL 58,970 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL TELECHARGE INC. (TICKER: ITI) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 01, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL TELECHARGE INC. TEL: 214 744-0240)

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#90278c0132 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Independent Entertainment Group lost $172,474, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $443,428 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $144,591, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $4.47 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90278c0133 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Tristate Bancorp (TICKER: TRIB) earned $1.31 million, or $1.52 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.60 million, or $1.86 per share, in fiscal 1989.

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#90278c0134 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Intercim Corp.(TICKER: ITCM) lost $1.86 million, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $9.02 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $4.28 million, or $0.61 per share, on revenues of $10.17 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90278c0135 10/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Occupational Medical Corp. of America Inc.(TICKER: OMCA) earned $135,340

(including a loss of $89,105 from discontinued operations), or $0.05 per share on revenues of $6.52 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.45 million, or $0.58 per share, on revenues of $7.21 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90278c0137 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Nona Morelli's II Inc.(TICKER: NONA) lost $585,006, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $665,630 for the nine-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $362,010, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $463,868 for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

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#90278c0138 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows The Intergroup Corp.(TICKER: INTG) earned $2.80 million, or $2.99 per share, on revenues of $6.90 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $998,623, or $1.03 per share, on revenues of $6.79 mililon in fiscal 1989.

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#90278d3160 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (OCT. 5) - New Zealand Prime Minister Mike Moore pledged Friday his government would hold firm to its economic goal of achieving zero to two per cent inflation by the end of 1992.

In a campaign speech leading up to October 27's general election Mr. Moore told the Auckland Chamber of Commerce that if re-elected his government would sit down with business, industry and working people to get advice on macro-economic policy.

The government's inflation target has been controversial here and the opposition National Party pledges the same inflation goal but by 1993. Several key opposition figures have criticised the targets.

Mr. Moore said economic growth would be the key to creating a socially just economy. The government would continue to take measures to reduce the public debt and keep inflation under control.

He said pressure would be taken off interest rates and the general requirement for taxation would be controlled by maintaining a balance between government

income and spending.

Mr. Moore, who is also trade and foreign minister, said it was a major concern to New Zealand that the Uruguay round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), due to wind up in Brussels in December, leads to free trade in agricultural goods.

The liberalisation of world trade could increase the average international price of dairy products by 61 per cent and lift beef prices 21 per cent, he said.

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#90278d3190 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (OCT. 5) - Australia is looking to expand its economic links with Taiwan to acknowledge more adequately the blossoming trade between the two countries, government sources indicated Friday.

The Australian Government has long been criticised by segments of business because of what is perceived to be an inconsistent policy that prevents official contact with Taiwan for fear of offending Beijing.

Yet trade with Taiwan was worth 3.8 billion dollars (3.2 billion U.S.) last year, while trade with mainland China was worth only 2.4 billion dollars (two billion U.S.).

Other South-East Asian countries such as Japan and Singapore have managed to forge closer, though still unofficial, ties with Taiwan without upsetting China and now Australia is under pressure to do the same.

Foreign Minister Gareth Evans is studying a comprehensive and confidential assessment prepared by his bureaucrats which presents options for how this could be done.

However, Mr Evans' staff say the choices stop short of ending the present one-China policy, which recognises Beijing as the legitimate government and Taiwan as a province.

Mr. Evans said last month that the report, which he described as quite a sensitive policy exercise, would remain confidential while he made informed judgments on it.

Many private companies keen to exploit new business opportunities with Taiwan often find themselves frustrated by the simple lack of official Australian representation.

The Opposition and a number of business groups say this is costing Australia millions of dollars in business each year.

As a result, the government is being encouraged to open direct contact with the Taiwan authorities for trade talks.

A decision had already been made to assign extra staff to the Australian Commerce and Industry Office in Taipei, partially funded by the government but officially run by the Australian Chamber of Commerce.

The new staff are likely to be involved in the sort of work that would normally be done by embassies or consulates, such as immigration procedures.

Although visas are issued in Taiwan, they are regarded as having been issued in Hong Kong, the kind of inconsistency the government wants eliminated.

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#90278d3200 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (OCT. 5) - Soaring crude oil prices and a domestic economic stagnation pushed Taiwan's annual inflation up to 6.5 percent in September, the highest in nine years, economic officials said Friday.

The officials with the Directorate General of Budget, Accounting and Statistics attributed the surge in the September consumer price index mainly to hikes in transportation charges on the island, which followed domestic fuel price increases in the previous month.

Sluggish economic activity amidst a declining local stock market, rising fresh vegetable prices after typhoon damage and higher costs of education and clothing had also pushed the index up from August's 5.63 percent, they said.

In the face of soaring crude prices stemming from uncertainty in the Middle East, the agency predicted that inflationary pressure would continue and the index would be over five percent for the coming month.

The agency had adjusted the projected inflation rate for this year to 4.2 percent from 3.64 percent, it said.

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#90278d3210 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (OCT. 5) - New Zealand's deer industry earned itself 84 million New Zealand dollars (51 million dollars U.S.) in the year to June, the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries reported Friday.

This was 30 percent up on earnings for the same period last year.

Deer velvet sales accounted for 51 percent of the earnings, the report said.

Deer, introduced into New Zealand early this century, caused serious environmental problems and in the 1970s were hunted by helicopter gunships with their carcasses being left to rot in the mountains.

Today deer farming is an extensive industry and any wild deer are plucked from the mountains with nets and flown to farms.

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#90278d3250 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 5) - Kirin Brewery Co., Ltd. said Friday it would set up a joint venture with the top U.S. fruit juice maker Tropicana Products Inc. to sell Tropicana fruit juice on the Japanese market from next year.

The joint venture, to be called "Kirin-Tropicana" and equally owned by Japan's top beer brewer and Tropicana, will market Tropicana-produced orange and other natural juices from next March, ahead of liberalization of orange juice imports in the spring of 1992, Kirin officials said.

Kirin-Tropicana also will develop juices for Japanese tastes, with its annual sales targed at 100 billion yen (752 million dollars) in 1994.

Kirin Brewery, already tied up with Tropicana's parent firm Seagrams in whisky production, had sales totaling 1.2 trillion yen (nine billion dollars) in the 12 months to March this year.

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#90278d3470 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 5) - Japan's current account surplus shrank 72.5 percent from a year earlier to 942 million dollars in August, the Finance Ministry said in a preliminary report Friday.

The country's trade surplus dropped 15.4 percent from August last year to 4.121 billion dollars with exports rising 2.1 percent to 21.894 billion dollars and imports surging 7.2 percent to 17.773 billion dollars, the report said.

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#90278d3520 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 5) - Malaysia produced 2,358 tons of tin-in-concentrates in July, down from 2,417 tons in June and 2,881 tons a year earlier, Bernama news agency said Friday.

Cumulative production in the first seven months of the year fell 3.6 percent to 17,753 tons from 18,414 tons in the same period last year, Bernama said, citing figures released by the Department of Statistics.

Malaysia imported 1,771 tons of tin-in-concentrates in July compared to 1,530 tons in June and 705 tons a year earlier while imports in the first seven months fell to 12,225 tons from 12,526 tons previously.

The imports were mainly from Australia (4,947 tons), Canada (2,312 tons) and China (1,570 tons).

Malaysia's tin metal export fell to 3,309 tons in July from 3,416 tons in June and 4,172 tons a year earlier.

Cumulative exports in the first seven months fell to 28,386 tons from 30,382 tons in the same period last year.

The main buyers were the Netherlands (6,769 tons), Japan (6,488 tons), the United States (4,340 tons) and South Korea (2,358 tons).

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#90278d3570 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAPE CANAVERAL, FLORIDA (OCT. 5) - A loose metal beam went crashing through the engine compartment of the space shuttle Atlantis, damaging plumbing and insultation, while the shuttle was being moved here on Wednesday, the NASA disclosed Thursday.

Forrest McCartney, director of the Kennedy Space Center, said it was too soon to tell whether the damage would delay Atlantis' mission in early November. Hydrogen leaks have already delayed the secret military mission.

Workers heard the 32-kilogram (70-pound) beam banging around the engine compartment as the orbiter was being raised to a vertical position in an assembly building on Wednesday, a spokesman for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration said.

The workers were unable to open the compartment until Thursday, after the solid rocket boosters and external tank were attached to the shuttle.

The beam dented some insulation covering interior components and plumbing, said Mr. McCartney said.

The bright yellow beam, measuring 2.7 meters (nine feet) long, was left by an experienced crew and paperwork indicated that everything had been removed, he said.

In Washington, meanwhile, a federal judge was expected to rule Friday whether Discovery's launch, carrying a nuclear-powered sun probe into space, will be allowed to proceed.

NASA said the countdown for Discovery's liftoff at 7:35 a.m. (1135 GMT) Saturday, which began Wednesday, was continuing without mishap.

The plutonium-powered probe Ulysses is to speed toward Jupiter and use the planet's gravity to boomerang into orbit around the sun. It is to explore the sun's poles in 1994 and 1995.

Environmentalists opposed to the probe's plutonium generator asked U.S. District Judge Oliver Gasch Thursday to delay the mission for at least a year, basing their appeal on NASA's inability to send up a shuttle in nearly six months.

They accused NASA of ignoring the danger that would result from an accident involving the 10.8 kilograms (23.7 pounds) of radioactive plutonium-238.

The space agency has been dogged by months of embarrassing failures. Columbia has been grounded by hydrogen leaks since May, Atlantis since June.

NASA must launch Columbia by October 23 or wait 13 months for the proper planet alignment for the Ulysses mission.

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#90278d3790 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, GERMANY (OCT. 5) - Unified Germany had a trade surplus of 7.5 billion Deutsche marks (4.8 billion dollars) in August, the federal statistics office said here Friday.

The current balance of payments surplus for the whole of Germany stood at 3.4 billion marks (2.19 billion dollars) for the same month, the office said.

They were the first trade and balance of payments figures to be issued for the whole of Germany, after the unification of East and West Germany took effect Wednesday.

The economy ministry said Friday that industrial orders in the former West Germany rose five per cent in August over the July level, with foreign orders down one per cent but domestic orders up eight per cent.

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#90278d3860 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (OCT. 5) - Vietnam has adopted tough measures to face up to an energy crunch stemming from cuts in Soviet oil supplies and a rise in crude prices caused by the Gulf crisis.

Experts say the situation could deteriorate if the Gulf crisis continues and as Hanoi begins next year to pay for Soviet oil shipments at international

market rates and with scarce hard currency.

The Hanoi Moi daily said Friday that authorities had adopted stiff measures "to improve distribution and make radical cutbacks in consumption" of motor fuels.

The belt-tightening, according to Hanoi Moi, will be felt throughout government -- including in the defense and interior ministries -- whose "needs will be tightly controlled."

A noticeable decrease in Vietnam's petroleum supplies has recently prompted rationing in various parts of the country and price hikes at the gas pump on the open market in the past three weeks.

In Ho Chi Minh City, the economic hub of the nation, the price of gas doubled three weeks ago from 1,500 dong (23 U.S. cents) to 3,000 dong (45 cents) a liter.

Gas is selling in Hanoi at 2,200 dong (35 cents) against 1,100 dong (18 cents) two weeks ago.

The widely respected Vietnamese economic weekly, Market and Price, said the prices of petroleum products were expected to continue climbing in October due to increases in imported fuel prices.

Experts said the pressure on prices was largely due to decreases in Soviet exports of oil to Vietnam, which has begun buying from Japan and Singapore at the higher market prices caused by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Up to now, the Soviet Union has supplied Vietnam with 80 per cent of its total yearly refined imports of three million tonnes on a barter basis at below market rates.

Vietnam, though a crude oil producer itself, has no refineries and so must import refined oil.

"Soviet sources of motor fuel under previous accords are now uncertain," the Hanoi Moi said. "And beginning in 1991, we will not be able to take advantage of Soviet loans to buy their surplus oil."

"Fuel requirements in production and daily life are increasing while our supply of hard currency remains weak," the daily said.

The number of motorcycles and mopeds on the road, and more recently of private cars, has increased in Vietnam in the past two years, and motorized vehicles are slowly overtaking bicycles as the main means of transport.

Among the measures the government has implemented is a ban on the private use

of government vehicles and an "energetic and effective" battle against the theft of state fuel supplies -- currently a wide-scale problem.

The state's joint venture firm with the Soviet Union, Vietsopetro, announced recently it had increased production in the first six months of the year to 1.2 million tonnes and had targetted 2.5 million tonnes of crude for the whole year.

Western oil companies, including British Petroleum, the Anglo-Dutch group Shell and the French company Total are currently exploring for oil in Vietnamese waters.

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#90278d3880 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RANGOON (OCT. 5) - Burma's military government revoked the accreditation of Frederick Vreeland as U.S. ambassador to Burma, a spokesman of the government information committee said Friday.

Lieutenant-Colonel Ye Htut said the decision was taken Thursday at a council of ministers' meeting presided by senior general Saw Maung, chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council, and officially conveyed to the U.S. embassy in Rangoon.

The spokesman said Vreeland's accreditation was approved by the government on June 9.

On October 2, a BBC broadcast quoted Vreeland as saying that the economic sanctions by the U.S. and some other governments were justified in view of the Burmese government's failure to hand over power to the political party which won the elections in May and to release political prisoners.

"Mr. Vreeland has thereby shown himself to be a person likely to view the affairs of Burma in a bad light," the spokesman said.

The spokesman also alleged that the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee had discovered that Vreeland was a career intelligence official, having served the Central Intelligence Agency for 33 years under cover of a diplomatic official.

The expulsion of Vreeland is Burma's first revocation of diplomatic accreditation since independence in 1948.

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#90278d3960 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 5) - Industrial orders for West German firms jumped five percent in August compared to July, the sharp growth triggered by a boom in domestic

demand, Bonn said Friday.

The Economics Ministry said that domestic demand in the western part of Germany jumped eight percent from July to August, while foreign orders rose just one percent.

Comparing the two-month period July-August 1990 to the same two months last year, the ministry said industrial orders were 9.2 percent higher by volume and 10.8 percent higher in value.

While domestic demand in July-August 1990 was up by 14.6 percent, foreign demand was only 0.2 percent higher, the ministry noted.

Meanwhile in Wiesbaden, the Federal Office of Statistics said that for Germany taken as a whole, the country showed a surplus in foreign trade in eight-month January-August period.

The office said combined East and West German exports reached 454.9 billion marks (297 billion dollars), up 1.2 percent, to imports of 370.8 billion marks up 3.7 percent.

At the same time, the the balance on current accounts dropped to a surplus of 84.1 billion marks, down from 91.8 billion marks surplus in the same eight-month period of 1989, the office said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) - Britain's Diana, Princess of Wales was guest of honor here at a charity gala organized to benefit art and AIDS-inflicted babies, with patrons paying at least 2,500 dollars per ticket to attend.

For 1,000 dollars more, donators could shake hands with the 29-year-old princess at a reception.

Organizers said 260 tickets were sold. The Departmental Hall, where the gala was held Thursday night, was well short of full.

The event was organized to benefit the Washington Ballet, the London City Ballet, the British-American Arts Association and Grandma's House, a Washington home for babies with Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

The princess, who has shown a longstanding interest in both the arts and AIDS victims, arrived here Thursday. She had afternoon tea at the British ambassador's residence before the gala began.

She is scheduled to meet Friday with First Lady Barbara Bush at the White House and then visit Grandma's House before returning to Britain.

It was the princess' second trip to the United States without her husband, Prince Charles, and her first trip outside Britain this year.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 5) - Iraq has high-explosive devices that have the equivalent power of small nuclear bombs and the United States has no ready defense against the weapon, the Los Angeles Times reported Friday.

The fuel-air explosives, known as FAEs, have 10 times the destructive power of conventional explosives without the radiation fallout of a nuclear weapon, the newspaper said.

FAEs, which can be launched as bombs from airplanes or as warheads on missiles create a huge fireball and shock wave over a concentrated area, the paper said.

The Los Angeles Times reported that Pentagon officials have said the United States has no defense in place against the FAEs.

The United States does not carry FAEs in its arsenal.

"These are blast-effect weapons, and what you can't see can kill you," Henry Sokolski of the Defense Department's international security affairs office was quoted as saying.

U.S. forces would have the most difficulty defending against a missile-delivered FAE, military officials said. But there is no clear evidence that Iraq has the capability of mounting the explosives on missiles, they added.

Five senators have requested in a letter to Defense Secretary Dick Cheney that he launch an investigation to determine Iraq's supply of FAEs.

According to the newspaper, earlier reports indicated that the German arms industry had supplied Iraq with the scientific knowledge to build the FAEs.

Messerschmitt-Bolkow-Blohm, a major German aerospace and defense firm, conducted feasibility studies on an FAE device while participating in a missile project with the Egyptian government.

A company spokesman said that project was terminated in 1988.

The German magazine Der Spiegel and the British Broadcasting Corporation have reported that Egypt gave the studies to Iraq.

A congressional investigator, whom the newspaper did not identify, said that U.S. technology may have also been involved.

According to Pentagon sources, the devices are in the arsenals of China, France, Israel, the Soviet Union, Spain, Germany and perhaps some third world nations, in addition to Iraq.

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#90278d4050 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (OCT. 5) - Mujahedeen resistance fighters have overrun a provincial capital in central Afghanistan after attacking a 500-man strong garrison, a top Afghan military officer acknowledged here Friday.

Deputy Defence Minister Mohammad Nabi Azimi told reporters that an unspecified number of mujahedeen surprised the "small garrison" in Tarin Kot, the capital of Uruzgan province overnight Wednesday.

"Through the betrayal of the governor (Abdul Shakoor) and some of his colleagues, they (the mujahedeen) were able to come and take Tarin Kot," General Azimi said, confirming mujahedeen claims that they had captured the town.

Tarin Kot is the first provincial capital to fall into the hands of the mujahedeen since Soviet troops completed their withdrawal from Afghanistan in February of last year.

Gen. Azimi said several security posts in the province had also fallen and that the fate of the 500 men in the Tarin Kot garrison was not immediately clear.

He said government troops had however put up a "brave fight" defending the garrison, though they had failed in the end.

"Mujahedeen casualties may have been very heavy," he said.

"The fall of the small town of one and a half square kilometers (one square mile) cannot be compared to the successes of government troops (elsewhere in the country) against the enemy," he said, adding that the government would shortly recapture the town.

A government spokesman late Thursday had denied mujahedeen claims that Tarin Kot had fallen following three weeks of secret negotiations between the resistance and the governor.

Diplomats here said the loss of Tarin Kot would be a serious embarrassament to the government of President Najibullah, who has been consolidating his position both militarily and politically since the Soviet withdrawal.

Gen. Azimi accused the Pakistani military and its intelligence wing of supporting and fuelling the mujahedeen attacks against key towns and against the capital of Kabul.

He said he had "reliable reports" that the Pakistani military intelligence agency, the Inter Services Intelligence (ISI) had given the mujahedeen two months to take a key town inside Afghanistan before winter sets in, slowing the current fighting season.

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#90278d4380 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (OCT. 5) - Singapore will lift its ban on investments in Vietnam and Cambodia as soon as the Supreme National Council of Cambodia is represented at the United Nations, it was announced here Friday.

A foreign ministry statement said the government would lift the ban imposed earlier this year in view of recent developments that have significantly improved prospects for a political settlement in Cambodia.

Singapore imposed a ban on its citizens' investing in Vietnam and Cambodia because of the Vietnamese invasion and occupation of Cambodia.

The statement said the ban would be lifted because of recent agreement among the various Cambodian factions to accept a U.N. plan for a comprehensive political settlement.

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#90278d4550 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (OCT. 5) - Jordan plans to limit traffic to help economize petrol consumption given the current Gulf crisis, an authoritative source said here Friday.

Prime Minister Moudar Badran had told reporters Thursday that rationing measures would be introduced "in the next two days" but added that "Jordan has sufficient oil reserves and is currently using them for its consumption."

Cars will be allowed to circulate on alternate days depending on whether they have even or odd licence plates, the source said.

In other measures to save energy, banks and offices will open only five days instead of six, but be allowed an extra hour every day, he said. Shops are to close at 7 p.m., much earlier than usual closing times.

Before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2, Jordan imported 90 percent of its oil from Iraq at preferential rates.

It has continued to take delivery of Iraqi oil in repayment of debts, despite the international embargo against Baghdad. But the amount has dropped to 40 percent of its annual consumption of around 15 million barrels a year.

Jordan's Queen Noor said Wednesday in Washington that Amman was still receiving oil from Iraq because of the cut in supplies from Saudi Arabia and the international embargo against Baghdad.

"The Gulf crisis has dealt us an economic blow," the queen said in a speech at the Brookings Institute, a leading Washington think tank.

Amman says it will not stop importing Iraqi oil until an alternative arrangement is found. Saudi Arabia stopped oil exports to Jordan on September 19 in reprisal over Amman's refusal to condemn the Iraqi invasion.

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#90278d4670 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH, Germany, Oct 5 (AFP) - German luxury car maker BMW is not worried for the future of the auto market even if the current situation in the United States is very difficult, board chairman Eberhard von Kuenheim said here.

"We have every reason to be satisfied," Mr. von Kuenheim told a press conference late Thursday. "We are in an exceptionally good overall situation for the ninth year running.

"We have already been getting ready for at least three years for a recession which never came. If it does happen -- although we are not too convinced by this scenario -- it would be a normal development and we have been preparing for it for a long time," he added.

He also noted that the steep rise in oil prices since the outbreak of the Gulf crisis in August had not so far had a noticeable effect on the rhythm of auto buying.

"In real terms, petrol is still cheaper than it was at the beginning of the 1970's," Mr. von Kuenheim said.

BMW's U.S. sales fell six per cent in the first nine months of this year, largely due to the dollar's weakness against the Deutsche mark, but Mr. von Kuenheim saw no reason to panic because of this development on the company's second largest market.

In volume terms, sales are expected to hold steady at 64,000 vehicles for the whole year, and this sector is still profitable even if the level of performance is not seen as satisfactory at the moment.

Overall sales in the first nine months of this year were up 0.1 per cent in volume terms over the same period last year at 388,000 vehicles while in money terms they were up 1.2 percent at 20 billion Deutsche marks (12.9 billion dollars).

Mr. von Kuenheim would not give a profit figure for the period, but said it was slightly higher than the first nine months of last year.

The group made a net profit of 558 million Deutsche marks (360 million dollars) for the whole of 1989.

On the thorny issue of Japanese car imports into Europe, Mr. von Kuenheim said that reciprocity was the key word.

"The Germans have always built their success with their borders open to competition," he said.

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#90278d4690 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 5) - The German lower house, or Bundestag, on Friday adopted a new electoral law that creates two separate election zones for the all-German elections due in December.

The vote came less than week after the Constitutional Court invalidated an earlier electoral law adopted only last August.

Meeting for the first time in Bonn in joint session two days after East and West Germany merged, deputies agreed to create two separate electoral zones in the December 2 poll that will cover the two former states.

The move is aimed at offering smaller parties that spearheaded last year's democratization process in East Germany a chance to enter the new all-German parliament.

To take a seat in parliament, parties must now receive at least five per cent of the vote in either zone. The new law also authorizes electoral alliances -- different parties running together on the same list -- in former East Germany.

The high court Saturday ruled that the electoral law adopted by parliaments in Bonn and East Germany in August was unconstitutional because it posed unfair obstacles to smaller groups.

Without separate election zones, the five-per cent threshold would have meant that popular movements like New Forum, the ecological Greens, the reformed communist Party of Democratic Socialism (PDS) and the conservative German Social Union would be excluded from parliament.

Some of these groups might achieve five per cent of the votes in former East Germany but not of the votes in East and West combined.

The Greens, the PDS and the ultra-right Republicans had brought the case before the Constitutional Court in Karlsruhe.

The new electoral law is to go to the upper house, or Bundesrat, Monday.

Meanwhile in Berlin, a hot-air balloon bearing the colours of Europe which had been flown over the city's historic Brandenburg Gate during reunification celebrations Wednesday was stolen by unidentified people overnight Thursday.

The thieves made off with the deflated balloon, worth 60,000 Deutsche marks (39,000 dollars), its basket and a trailer where they had been stored, said Jean-Marc Culas of the French-German aerostat school at Strasbourg, France, and Baden-Baden, Germany.

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#90278d4950 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EINDHOVEN, NETHERLANDS (OCT. 5) - British-based publishing group Maxwell and Dutch electronics giant Philips have agreed to develop a joint multi-media language project, it was announced here Friday.

The new company, Maxwell Multi Media, in which each side will hold an equal stake, will be based in London, Philips said. The amount of investment required for the language product was not given.

Philips later intended to collaborate with the Berlitz Publications language group, part of Maxwell-managed interests, to develop other language-teaching aids, Philips spokesman Jan Geel said.

A Dutch radio report said that the joint venture would result in the launch at the end of 1991 of inter-active language courses for schools, companies and individuals.

The programme would be carried on a new Philips product, the CD-1 compact disc. The hardware is capable of reading sound signals, text, graphics, photographs and animated pictures.

The radio quoted Philips president Jan Timmers as saying that the agreement represented a "very important development" for the electronics division.

Philips is undergoing radical restructuring of its loss-making computer division to cope with severe financial problems and plans to axe 10,000 jobs.

The Maxwell group recently announced that it was disposing of assets, notably in television, to reduce heavy borrowings.

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#90278d4960 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 5) - The Paris Appeals Court has ruled that surrogate motherhood is legal, reversing its own earlier decision which had outlawed the practice known popularly as "rent-a-womb", court sources said Friday.

The court ruled, in two decisions dating from June 15, that surrogate motherhood was legal as long as the biological mother consented to renounce the child voluntarily and permanently.

The decisions stated that the practice of surrogate motherhood did not contravene public order or morality, the sources said. The controversial practice enables sterile women to have a baby through a contract between her male partner and another woman who bears the child.

The court noted that there was no "social danger" as long as no money exchanged hands between the would-be parents and the surrogate mother, but refrained from explicitly banning paid contracts.

The court had been approached concerning the case of two baby girls, Marie and Elise born in 1987 and 1988, who were abandoned by their biological mother in order to be adopted by the wife of the babies' father.

The court noted that while adoption following a surrogate motherhood created an "artificial" parenthood, this was comparable to other legal situations such as the adoption of children abandoned at birth, or the official recognition of a child by adopted parents "irrespective of his real parenthood".

The practice was consequently in line with article 12 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights under which a family is constituted around the biological father.

On October 11, 1988 the same court had ruled that any surrogate mother contract was illegal under the civil code, notably arguing that a baby was "something outside commerce".

The state prosecutor's office said that the June 15 decisions could only be appealed exceptionally "in the interests of the law", and that they were final in the case of Marie and Elise.

The Paris Appeals Court is the most important of the 32 such tribunals in France.

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#90278d5250 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 5) - Thousands of doctors and nurses boycotted hospitals and private clinics here Friday in an unprecedented show of solidarity with Indian students enraged over a caste-based government job quota scheme.

The Indian capital's eight main state-run hospitals shut down and physicians closed thousands of clinics in solidarity with the students protesting the August 7 decision that blocks almost half all state jobs for underprivileged lower castes.

"Only emergency services will function," Delhi Medical Association (DMA) member Inder Prakash Dhalla said as the one-day strike got under way at 9.30 a m. (0400 GMT).

Dr. Dhalla, who heads a doctors' protest action forum against the government reservation scheme, said some 20,000 physicians, surgeons and nurses had joined the strike in the first such mass protest in the capital.

More than 30,000 patients would be affected by Friday's boycott as five main medical associations were supporting the strike, he said amid reports that hospital orderlies and cleaners were also refusing to work.

A children's hospital, which treats some 2,500 patients daily, also closed down and senior faculty members and researchers boycotted classes and hospital wards in the prestigious All India Institute of Medical Sciences here.

The Delhi Nurses Union, which has thousands of members, boycotted work for two hours, and some 2,800 private practitioners and family physicians had been asked not to answer calls from their patients, Dr. Dhalla said.

"We cannot abandon admitted patients and thus the nurses will return to their wards after two hours," he said.

Groups of DMA doctors walked on foot through the crowded old city areas here, urging their colleagues to join the boycott in support of the student-led protest now raging across India's north and east, witnesses said.

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#90278d5270 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (Oct. 5) - A first contingent of Belgian paratroops arrived in the Rwandan capital Kigali, facing a rebel insurgency, a few hours after dawn on Friday, the private Belgian television channel RTL-TVI reported.

A Belgian journalist in Kigali told the channel that the soldiers landed without difficulty and joined French Foreign Legion troops sent into Kigali on Thursday. Their mission was to protect the airport.

Following reports of heavy fighting overnight, the only traffic on the streets

of the Rwandan capital was a few official cars and military vehicles, said the journalist, who works for Le Soir newspaper.

He said that a special Air France flight was late on Friday to evacuate "women and children of a mix of nationalities". In Nairobi, meanwhile, several sources said 200 French people should leave Kigali if the plane was able to land.

In Bonn, a German Foreign Ministry spokesman said the 400 Germans in Rwanda would be helped to leave by the French. He said French and German people in Kigali would be flown to Zaire or Burundi in Transall planes, while those living in north or south Rwanda would be taken out by road convoy.

Belgium's Sabena airline meanwhile said it currently planned to maintain its five weekly flights to Kigali, though Air France cancelled one flight and Kenya Airways said it would not "risk its planes in a combat zone".

The Rwandan Defence Ministry has ordered people to stay at home following heavy fighting overnight around military bases, according to several reports in the region.

A large rebel force of Rwandan refugees and Ugandan army deserters swept into the small east central African country from neighbouring Uganda early on Tuesday in a well-organized operation apparently launched on Sunday.

The government of President Juvenal Habyarimana has asked for Belgian and French military assistance to the former Belgian colony, where about 1,600 Belgians and 670 French nationals live.

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#90278d5350 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (OCT. 5) - Deutsche Bundesbahn, the West German federal railway, foresees a record operating deficit of 6.2 billion marks (4.05 billion dollars) in 1991, under financial plans drafted by the executive board here Friday.

The deficit would surpass this year's losses expected to reach some 5.3 billion marks.

A railways spokesman said the plan must still be approved by the supervisory board on October 18.

The rise in the deficit was expected due to declining revenues coupled with rising costs, among others including the preparations going on to introduce the high-speed "Ice" train next year.

Under the financial plan, the railroad will have to borrow soem 5.1 billion marks, raising the Deutsche Bundesbahn's total debt load to around 52 billion

marks. The Bonn government last year pledged to assume 12.6 billion marks of the railroad's old liabilities.

The spokesman said the 1991 budget figures do not include any costs involving the East German railroad, Deutsche Reichsbahn, which under the unification of Germany became a special asset of the West German railroad. It could not yet be foreseen when the fusion of the two railroads will be carried out.

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#90278d5370 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (OCT. 5) - Thousands of Sri Lankans stranded in Kuwait are expected to leave the tiny emirate following Saudi Arabia's decision to open its borders to trapped Sri Lankans, officials said Friday.

Bradman Weerakoon, international affairs advisor to President Ranasinghe Premadasa, told reporters here that the stranded Sri Lankans now have two new options in their bid to return home.

They can either cross the Saudi Arabian border from southern Kuwait or travel home aboard an Indian ship that is currently unloading food for Indian nationals at the Kuwaiti port of Ulkassar, he said.

He said Saudi Arabia had agreed to open its borders to the Sri Lankans and that New Delhi had offered to repatriate Sri Lankans aboard the Indian ship.

"India has made an offer and we have accepted that," Mr. Weerakoon said.

Nearly 27,500 of the more than 85,000 Sri Lankan workers stranded in Kuwait since Iraq's August 2 invasion, have already returned home on flights organised by the United Nations-sponsored International Organisation for Migration and Air Lanka.

Mr. Weerakoon said about 50,000 others remain in Kuwait, while another 17,000 Sri Lankans were at refugee camps in the Middle East, particularly in Jordan.

He said the Sri Lankans could travel through Kuwait's southern border to Dhahran in Saudi Arabia or Bahrain, which was a 200 kilometer (124 mile) journey and from there be returned home on special air flights.

Sri Lankan returnees have been so far travelling in buses from Kuwait to Amman via Baghdad, a 2,000 kilometer (1240 miles) trek.

Mr. Weerakoon said the Indian ship would be leaving the Ulkassar port for Dubai from where the Sri Lankans will be flown home.

Baghdad allowed India to send a shipload of food for its stranded nationals in Kuwait and Iraq and make use of the ship's return journey to evacuate Indian

workers.

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#90278d5410 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HONG KONG (OCT. 5) - The Hong Kong government has abandoned plans to obtain private financing for the first major phase of its showpiece 127 billion hongkong dollar (1.63 billion U.S. dollars) dollar) ports and airports project.

On Friday, Chief Secretary Sir David Ford announced that the government will supply its own financing for the link between the new airport's island site and the mainland.

The link will be made by two suspension bridges. The bridges will have two tiers, the top one carrying a six-lane highway and the bottom tier carrying both railway tracks and roads.

They will be bigger than any others elsewhere in the world. The cost is estimated at six to seven billion Hongkong dollars.

Private backers have been reluctant to commit funds to the scheme while uncertainty remains over the attitude of Bejing which will take over Hong Kong in 1997. Chinese officials have repeatedly criticised the project for being too costly and said that they should have been more fully consulted because the new airport will only come into operation after 1997.

Sir David said that Chinese criticism played no part in the government's decision to provide its own financing, indicating that ''at least three'' international consortia had expressed a willingness to bid under a build-operate-transfer scheme. However, he said that time and money could be saved by the government providing its own financing.

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#90278d5510 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HAMBURG (OCT. 5) - Hamburg exhibition authorities were putting the final touches Friday to preparations to host the world's single largest tourism parley, the 60th American Society of Travel Agents (ASTA) congress.

The annual ASTA congress, being held for only the second time in Germany, runs October 7-13 under the motto "Be A part Of World History".

Tourism industry managers from 75 countries were expected to participate in the congress, which local officials hope will provide a boost in foreign visitors to Hamburg and northern Germany.

Of the total costs of over 15 million marks (9.8 million dollars) involved in the congress, the city of Hamburg and local hotels are providing about half

the expense, officials said.

A decade ago, the city of Munich became the first German city to host the ASTA congress.

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#90278d5520 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENNA (OCT. 5) - Eastern Europe's energy shortage is worsening rapidly as a result of increasing cuts in Soviet oil deliveries coupled with the Gulf crisis, which has made oil more expensive on the international market.

Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria, which have until now relied almost exclusively on Moscow for crude oil supplies, have been forced to ration petrol and refined oil products for both individuals and industry, which will mean a significant fall in their industrial production levels.

Poland and Hungary are also suffering the effects of a 30 percent cut in Soviet crude deliveries, which has forced them to turn to the international market where they have to pay in scarce hard currency.

The rise of prices as a result of the Gulf crisis and an international oil embargo on Iraq and Kuwait has only exacerbated the problem, and both countries have drastically increased petrol prices in a bid to cut consumption.

Romania only relies on Moscow for 20 percent of its oil, but has already warned that it will be seeking heavy cuts in energy consumption this winter.

Czechoslovakia, which imports 97 percent of its oil from the Soviet Union, is physically incapable of bringing in enough supplies from elsewhere to fill the gap as supplies from Moscow are reduced.

An oil pipeline from the Adriatic coast can carry only a third of its needs and there is no other possibility available in the short-term.

"If we do not manage to resolve our oil supply problems, our industry is rushing headlong towards ruin," Prime Minister Marian Calfa has said.

(The Czechoslovakian news agency CTK said Friday that Moscow had agreed to stabilize oil supplies soon at between 30,000 and 35,000 tons a day, after falling as low as 20,000 tons in recent days.

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#90278d5570 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 5) - Peninsular Malaysia will hold its 8th general elections on October 21 while nominations have been fixed for October 11, Election Commission Chairman Tan Sri Abdul Kadir Talib announced Friday.

Abdul Kadir said elections for parliamentary seats in the East Malaysian states of Sabah and Sarawak will be staggered from October 20 to October 21, while nominations will be held on October 11.

This decision was taken following a commission meeting held in Ipoh, the capital of the West Malaysian state of Perak.

Parliament and 11 state assemblies were dissolved Friday to pave the way for the election.

The country's constitution stipulates that general elections must be held within 60 days of the dissolution of parliament.

Haji Mohamad Salleh Abu Bakar, said the 8th parliament would convene within 120 days of the dissolution.

The new parliament will have a total of 180 seats, including three new constituencies in the East Malaysian state of Sarawak.

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#90278d5720 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SOWETO, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 5) - It is time South Africa's black leaders buried past differences and spoke with one voice, African National Congress (ANC) Deputy President Nelson Mandela said Friday.

He was addressing a press conference at his home in this sprawling black township near Johannesburg after a lengthy meeting with representatives of five of the country's six self-governing tribal homelands.

"We agreed (during the meeting) that we should stretch our hands to one another ... to forget the past and to pool our resources," he said.

Mr. Mandela expressed sorrow that Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi had not attended the meeting, which he had called to discuss ongoing violence between ANC supporters and members of Mr. Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom Party.

Earlier this week, the Zulu leader declined Mr. Mandela's invitation because he had been invited as leader of the KwaZulu tribal homeland instead of as president of Inkatha.

"We regret the he (Mr. Buthelezi) did not attend. We think this meeting would have afforded him the opportunity of giving his views," Mr. Mandela said.

Asked whether a one-on-one meeting with Mr. Buthelezi was possible, the de facto ANC leader repeated an earlier view that "the time is not ripe" for it, but declined further comment when pressed for his views on what circumstances

had to exist for such a meeting to take place.

Up to 4,000 people have died in the ANCInkatha conflict since it first flared in Natal province in 1986, and another 800 lives have been lost since the fighting spread to black townships around Johannesburg on August 13.

Mr. Mandela said the homeland representatives he met Friday had all agreed that a "third force" comprising "state agencies" was orchestrating the killings and that it was not a ZuluXhosa clash as the media made it out to be.

Earlier this week the ANC leader accused military intelligence, an alleged military "hit-squad" known as the civil Co-operation Bureau but now disbanded, and the National Intelligence Services (NIS) of fomenting the violence -- a claim which has been denied by Defence Minister Magnus Malan and the NIS.

"The government must take full responsibilty for the conduct of their own state agencies," Mr. Mandela said Friday.

Apart from Mr. Buthelezi who was not represented at all, two homeland leaders did not attend the meeting but sent representatives in their place.

Prince Mahlangu of KwaNdebele and Kenneth Mopeli of QwaQWa were out the country, Mr. Mandela said.

Those who did turn up at Mr. Mandela's home were Hudson W. Ntsanwisi of Gazankulu, Enos Mabuza of KaNgwane and Nelson Ramodike of Lebowa.

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#90278d5770 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (OCT. 5) - A Japanese oil company is to begin lifting Nigerian crude oil this month under an agreement signed in September, Nigerian Minister of Petroleum Resources Jibril Aminu said.

He told a delegation representing about a dozen Japanese companies late Thursday that the agreement was a reflection of the good relations between the two countries.

The minister did not give the name of the company or the amount of oil that would be lifted.

The President of the Japan-Nigeria Association, Kazuo Haruna of the Marubeni Corporation, who led the Japanese delegation, said that the supply of Nigerian oil to his country would help it survive the current Gulf crisis.

The Japanese delegation also held talks Friday with minister of state for external affairs Zakari Ibrahim and was due to meet President Ibrahim Babangida later in the day.

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#90278d5800 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 5) - Major Japanese auto maker Mitsubishi Motor Corp. said Friday it had not yet finalised a plan to produce cars in Europe.

"We are still studying car production in Europe. We cannot reveal details as we have not reached a final decision," a Mitsubishi official said.

Sweden's Volvo is one European carmaker under consideration by Mitsubishi as a possible partner to jointly produce cars in Europe, the company official said.

Press reports had said Mitsubishi was planning motor vehicle production in Belgium in a joint venture with Volvo.

Japan's three top carmakers -- Toyota Motor Corp., Nissan Motor Co. and Honda Motor Co. -- have decided to or have already started producing cars in Britain.

-30- 899
#90278d5850 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HARARE (OCT. 5) - A cabinet minister here claims East European governments are forcibly separating Zimbabwean men from local girls they have married or made pregnant and deporting them on false accusations of being AIDS carriers.

Minister of State for National Scholarships Joseph Culverwell told the Financial Gazette in an interview published on Friday that "some" Zimbabwean students had been "forced to return home under false pretences".

"When they came back they underwent medical tests and we found they did not have AIDS," he told the paper.

Mr. Culverwell did not disclose the numbers of students involved or the fate of the East European wives and their children. He said his officials were now touring the states in which Zimbabwe's 1,908 students were undergoing courses, trying to solve problems.

He denied a report in the official newspaper of Zimbabwe's ruling ZANU party, the People's Voice, that hundreds of Zimbabwean students had been sent home from eastern European states which had recently thrown off communist party rule.

"Hardly a dozen" had been repatriated simply because their sponsors had fallen from power, Mr. Culverwell said.

Four years ago President Robert Mugabe ordered the dismissal of the editor of Harare's government-controlled Sunday Mail for publishing a report that Cuba

had sent home Zimbabwean students with AIDS.

North Korea, with whom his government maintains close ties, used to warn foreigners they would be deported, and their lovers shot, if they imperilled the "homogeneity" of the Korean nation.

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#90278d6120 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 5) - The German government on Friday adopted a 20 billion Deutsche mark (12.9 billion dollars) supplementary budget to help meet the costs of German unification and the Gulf crisis.

The extra spending will take the budget deficit of the unified Germany to 66.8 billion Deutsche marks (43 billion dollars) this year.

The supplementary budget, to fund social spending in the former East Germany and Germany's commitments in the Gulf, will be debated in parliament on Tuesday.

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#90278d6150 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KINSHASA (OCT. 5) - President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire sent 500 of his best trained and armed troops to Rwanda overnight Thursday to help his embattled counterpart Juvenal Habyarimana, the Zairean AZAP news agency reported Friday.

The decision to send soldiers of the Special Presidential Division followed a defence council meeting chaired by Marshal Mobutu to consider a Rwandan request for assistance in combatting a rebel incursion, AZAP said.

Marshal Mobutu sent the 500 men from Goma, on Zaire's eastern border with Rwanda, and the rest of the Zairean army has been placed on full alert, while the 31st Paratroop Brigade is standing by in Kinshasa for possible rapid intervention in Rwanda, AZAP said.

The despatch of the presidential troops came under a joint defence accord linking Zaire and Rwanda. They have a common border more than 200 kilometres (125 miles) long on Lake Kivu and, with Burundi, are members of the Economic Community of the Great Lakes Countries.

French and Belgian troops have already arrived in the Rwandan capital Kigali, with an officially announced brief of protecting the 670 French and 1,600 Belgian nationals in the former Belgian colony. These troops were reported Friday to be controlling Kigali airport and embassy premises.

Rwandan refugees and Ugandan army deserters launched an incursion into Rwanda from Uganda early this week. An Agence France-Presse correspondent on Friday

reported heavy fighting overnight around military bases in Kigali. Clashes were reported close to the airport.

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#90278d6170 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 5) - India has repatriated 108,491 of its nationals from Iraq and Kuwait as of early Friday, and thousands more are waiting to return, the government said here.

An external affairs spokesman told reporters that some 4,000 Indians had been returning home daily by sea, air and overland since the August 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq.

He said about 2,000 Indians were still in Baghdad, waiting to go to Amman, another 3,500 were in transit between Kuwait and Amman, and about 16,000 were in refugee camps in Jordan.

There were an estimated 172,000 Indians in Kuwait and 10,000 in Iraq during the Iraqi invasion. The spokesman gave no breakdown for the remaining Indians.

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#90278d6220 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (OCT. 5) - The Soviet Union has agreed to boost oil deliveries to Czechoslovakia from their recent low levels to ease a crude oil shortage threatening the country's economy, the CTK news agency said Friday.

The agency said in a report from Moscow that trade talks in the Soviet capital had resulted in a pledge to stabilise oil deliveries soon at between 30,000 and 35,000 tons a day.

Czechoslovakia relies on Moscow for virtually all its oil, but deliveries have been falling throughout this year and have recently dropped as low as 20,000 tons a day.

The government has said that the minimum required just to keep the country's petrochemical industry and refineries running is 33,000 tons a day.

Czechoslovakia, which has been importing some 16.5 million tons of Soviet oil a year, is currently seeking other sources of supply, including direct negotiations with the Soviet republics where it is produced.

It is to begin negotiations in Prague on Monday on taking 500,000 tons of crude from the Tyumen region in Russia, the largest of the Soviet republics, CTK said.

Shrinking supplies and rumours that stocks were running out panicked motorists

this week, and huge queues formed at service stations on Wednesday,

prompting the government to announce Thursday a 33 per cent increase in fuel prices with effect from Saturday.

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#90278d6320 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MBARARA, UGANDA (OCT. 5) - Two Europeans, believed to be Belgians, were killed when Rwandan rebels shot down a Rwandan military helicopter, Ugandan soldiers told Agence France-Presse on Friday at the border between Uganda and Rwanda.

The soldiers said the rebels, who invaded Rwanda from Uganda on Sunday, had downed the helicopter near Gabiro, 100 kilometres (60 miles) from the Rwandan capital Kigali, on Tuesday.

A Ugandan army driver was also injured, they said. It was unclear whether the Belgians were in the helicopter or on the ground.

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#90278d6390 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 5) - Japan's Labor Ministry has proposed a cut in the nation's maximum work week from 46 hours to 44, officials said Friday.

The ministry submitted an outline of the proposal Thursday to the Central Labor Standards Council, which is to compile a report by the end of November. The ministry said it wanted the cut to be implemented next April.

Under pressure from foreign countries dissatisfied with Japan's huge trade surplus, the government has said it will eventually shorten the work week to 40 hours.

-30- 684

#90278d6550 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (OCT. 5) - A two-hour "warning" strike by Hungarian miners protesting against proposed pit closures was supported Friday by 100,000 workers and affected all sectors of the mining industry, the MTI agency reported, quoting the federation of mining unions.

Representatives of the industry and social affairs ministries said that they had been surpised by the strike because negotiations were continuing and the government was inclined to satisfy the miners' demands if possible.

But the union federation said that the warning was justified because the government had shown itself incapable of replying to the "just demands" of

miners who were worried about plans to close unprofitable mines and wanted guarantees about their pay.

MTI reported that coal miners stopped work around the country, in some cases defying a ban on striking, and that in some mines the stoppage had near unanimous support.

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#90278d6880 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAVANA (OCT 5) - Cuba's Communist Party announced Friday a major streamlining of its Central Committee, cutting two of the seven committee secretaries and reducing the committee staff in half.

The official party daily, Granma, said the shakeup, which will also see the provincial-level party bureacracy slashed by 50 percent, "will keep paperwork and other aspects of bureaucracy to a minimum."

Losing their posts as secretaries on the Central Committee were General Sergio Perez Lezcano and Jorge Risquet Valdes, who remains a member of the committee.

At the same time the Central Committee's Military Committee, formerly headed by General Perez Lezcano, was replaced by a military commission reporting directly to the Politburo.

Gen. Perez became a member of the Central Committee last February, while Mr. Risquet has been a voting member since 1975.

The remaining Central Committee secretaries are President Fidel Castro (first secretary), Second Secretary Raul Casto (Mr. Castro's brother), Julian Rizo Alvarez, Carlos Aldana Escalante and Jose Ramon Machado Ventura.

Granma said 10 of the Central Committee's 19 departments were being eliminated resulting in a reduction of more than 50 percent of the committee's staff.

The position of non-voting member on the Central Committee, of which there are currently 78, has also been eliminated, the paper announced.

While Granma presented the changes as designed to eliminate bureaucracy and improve the functioning of the party apparatus, rather than as an economy measure, the cutbacks came amid a major government effort to handle an economic slowdown caused by sharp reductions in cheap imports from the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe.

Authorities have already ordered drastic reductions in energy use to cope with a shortfall in oil supplies and last month instituted strict rationing for a wide range of food products and other consumer goods.

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#90278d6920 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT 5) - North Sea Brent crude oil prices firmed here on Friday on a new bout of nervousness about the continuing Gulf crisis, analysts said.

Brent for November delivery reached a high of 37.75 dollars a barrel during the session, but then fell back slightly in late afternoon to 37.10, against 36.6 dollars at the Thursday close.

Lucy Haskins, an analyst at Barclays de Zoete Wedd brokerage, commented that the rise was due to diminishing hopes for a diplomatic solution to the Gulf crisis, after what the market views as a hardening of the Iraqi stance.

She said that market fundamentals now justify a Brent price of 30 to 32 dollars, and the excess is due to "sentiment". If war were to break out in the Gulf, prices would surge above 40 dollars a barrel, she said.

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#90278d6980 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BLACKPOOL, England (OCT 5) - Britain's opposition Labour Party ended one of its most important conferences in years here Friday proclaiming itself a reformed and unified government-in-waiting ready to fight and win general elections next year.

In a departure from tradition, the conference drew to a close with an impassioned rallying cry for Labour politicians to return to their constituencies and begin campaigning for elections which the party leadership predicted would take place in the coming year.

Under British law elections must take place by June 1992, but the govenment has not yet announced the date.

"Labour has changed and there is no going back," party campaign coordinator Jack Cunningham said in the closing speech.

"The British people have seen a Labour government-in-waiting -- a Labour Party poised for victory and prepared for government," he said.

Mr. Cunningham said the ruling Conservative Party was demoralized, the government discredited and incompetent, and Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher "isolated and out of touch", and issued a challenge for the next elections.

"On the day of your choice, in the month of your choice, in the year of your choice, whenever you choose, Labour is ready for that general election," Mr. Cunningham said. "We are ready not just to win but to govern."

This year's conference, possibly the last before the next elections and coming after three consecutive general election defeats for Labour, was described by political sources here as one of the party's most crucial gatherings in decades.

Although delegates undermined the party's efforts to project a unified front by voting against the leadership's recommendations on several key issues,

analysts said the conference represented a key success in leader Neil Kinnock's efforts to recast the party as reformed, moderate and capable.

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#90278d7010 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LOME (OCT. 5) - Demonstrators attacked two police stations and damaged and burned several official vehicles here in the capital of Togo Friday, an Agence France-Presse journalist on the scene reported.

Soldiers forcibly expelled several hundred demonstrators, most of them youths, from a courtroom where two men were being tried on charges of distributing anti-government leaflets.

The soldiers beat the youths who were calling on the authorities to free the two men. At least three demonstrators were injured when they jumped from the courtroom's second-floor windows.

The youths were dispersed in the city center, where they attacked the police stations and burned at least three government vehicles. They also burned part of the city market.

The capital was reported calm by mid-day and soldiers had taken up positions at all major intersections and strategic locations around town, the AFP journalist said. Parts of the city were closed to traffic.

In a statement broadcast on national radio, President Gnassingbe Eyadema "condemned the way the events took place" at the courtroom.

The government also called on the population to "boost its vigilance" and to denounce those who carried out "these acts of violence and vandalism."

The lawyers' union has asked to meet the president to discuss the incident.

Both men on trial, Logo Dossovi and Doglo Agbelenko, were sentenced Friday to five years imprisonment for "preparing and distributing untruthful and defamatory leaflets and inciting the army to mutiny."

They were among 13 people, including nine students, who were taken in for questioning about the leaflets.

The 11 lawyers defending the two said their confessions had been extracted through torture and asked they be released.

Last month the national commission of Togo's human rights league said the two accused and two others had been tortured by police. As a result, national security chief Captain Laokpessi Pitalou Ani was sacked.

The other 11 people among the 13 arrested August 23 to 27 have been released.

-30- 2273

#90278d7040 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (OCT. 5) - Japan announced Friday the full extent of its aid for the countries that have born the brunt of the economic embargo against Iraq. Jordan's crown prince called the burden of applying the sanctions ''economic suicide''.

In Ankara, Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu said 200 million dollars would be lent Turkey on bargain terms. Egypt has been promised 300 million dollars and Jordan 100 million dollars from the same facility.

The Japanese are also making other loans to Turkey to encourage trade. Kaifu travels next to Saudi Arabia and Oman.

In an article that appeared Friday in the British newspaper The Independent, Crown Prince Hassan said he hoped the west did not expect his country to commit political as well as economic suicide.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's popularity among Jordanians and elsewhere in the Arab world gave Amman little room for manoeuvre, he said. The U.N. Disaster Relief Organisation (Undro) said Friday Jordanian camps currently held 43,590 refugees from Iraq.

In Geneva, the International Organisation for Immigration (Iom) announced it had repatriated by air 73,520 refugees from Iraq and Kuwait between September 3 and October 3.

They were picked up from Jordan, Iran, Saudi Arabia and Turkey, it said. Another 37,126 refugees were booked for flights home until mid-October. Most are citizens of Bangladesh, India, the Philippines and Sri Lanka.

-30- 1640

#90278d7050 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 5) - Police opened fire on rioting prisoners in a maximum-security jail here Friday, leaving at least nine people dead and 200 wounded, officials said.

The wounded included at least 125 prisoners and 75 prison officers and wardens a senior official said. Several of the wounded prisoners were said to be in critical condition.

It was the bloodiest revolt ever in Tihar jail, which opened in 1958 and,

like most prisons in India, has been plagued by allegations of corruption as well as overcrowding.

The revolt, which lasted more than two hours, erupted after the death of an inmate awaiting trial on criminal offenses, which the prisoners blamed on jail authorities.

Jail officials said the prisoner died earlier in the day of natural causes, but his cellmates alleged that he died from lack of medical care in the sprawling prison in New Delhi's western suburbs.

As news of the death spread, hundreds of the estimated 3,000 prisoners began hurling rocks and other missiles at the wardens.

Prisoners then broke out of their cells and rampaged through the facility, attacking guards as well as policemen guarding the prison.

Policemen initially tried to beat the prisoners back into their cells with repeated baton charges and tear gas. They finally opened fire and managed to crush the riot after nearly six hours of violence.

Police said the prisoners tried to burn everything in sight, including a warehouse.

Inspector General of Prisons H.P. Kumar told reporters that some prisoners showered kerosene on several jail officials and policemen in a bid to burn them to death.

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#90278d7110 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 5) - French mountain climber Marc Batard, who has given himself less than 24 hours to climb two Himalayan peaks, completed the first half of

his goal Friday when he reached the summit of Mount Everest.

The 36-year-old alpinist, well-known for his solo climbs, was accompanied by Christine Janin, who became the first French woman to conquer the world's highest peak, and photographer Pascal Tournaire.

The team took an hour's rest before tackling Mount Lhotse, which at 8,516 meters (about 28,000 feet) is the world's fourth highest summit.

They started the climb towards Everest from their camp at 6,300 meters (nearly 21,000 feet), and planned to head down the southern pass before attacking Lhotse.

Mr. Batard had climbed Mount Everest without oxygen in 1988, taking 22 hours and 29 minutes. Stradling the border of Nepal and Tibet, it measures 8,848 meters (29,028 feet).

-30- 1091

#90278d7170 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 5) - Natural rubber prices lost ground this week on the London physical market on persistent lack of interest, traders said Friday.

The price for Ribbed Smoked Sheet No. 1 (RSS 1) for November delivery closed at 520 pounds per ton against 535 the previous Friday.

Traders said that the prospect of lower demand from tyre manufacturers due to a slowdown in the car industry had also depressed the ton.

Furthermore, production in the Far East is now entering its peak period (October to December), they said.

"Unless something drastic happens in the Gulf, prices could fall a bit more", one trader said.

Some buying of commodities, including rubber, would probably be triggered by war breaking out in the Gulf, he added.

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#90278d7230 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) - Dissident Chinese students are being forcibly repatriated and harassed by Japanese authorities apparently bowing to pressure from business interests anxious to restore full trade ties with Beijing, a human rights group said here.

Asia Watch, a branch of Human Rights Watch, said some Chinese students in Japan have been forced to return to China despite evidence they faced arrest

and persecution there.

Japanese authorities also impeded access by Chinese nationals to legal counsel and information in asylum and refugee cases, the group said in a report received here Friday.

It said about 63,000 Chinese students were currently in Japan, 11,000 of whom left China after the June 4, 1989, military crackdown on pro-democracy demonstrators in Beijing. Chinese authorities subsequently arrested thousands of suspected supporters of the democracy movement.

Asia Watch mentioned the case of a Chinese student who had helped the wounded during the military assault on the Beijing protesters and whose application for a visa extension - filed in July 1989 - has not even been accepted by the Japanese Immigration Bureau, which is pressing for his repatriation.

Repatriation "is in clear violation of the universal right to seek asylum from persecution," Asia Watch said.

The failure to promptly extend the visas of Chinese students is contrary to a pledge Japan made at a G-7 meeting in Paris last July to "extend the stays of those Chinese students who so desire," the report added.

The report also criticised Tokyo for failing to protest "the systematic harassment and intimidation" of dissident Chinese students in Japan by Chinese Embassy officials.

According to Asia Watch, the government of Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu "is responding to pressure from Japanese business and financial circles who wish to resume their extensive trade and industrial ties with China."

Another source of pressure, the report added, are "Immigration Bureau officials who are concerned with the influx of illegal laborers."

-30- 2257
#90278d7250 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIRUT (OCT 5) - Several thousand supporters of General Michel Aoun demonstrated east of here Friday as a government blockade of the region held by the renegade Christian leader entered its second week.

Despite petrol shortages caused by the blockade, hundreds of cars lined the road leading to the Monteverde crossing, one of seven passage points between Gen. Aoun's Metn region and the rest of Lebanon.

Since September 28, President Elias Hrawi's troops have prevented vehicles from entering the Metn and its 500,000 inhabitants have begun to suffer severe shortages of essential goods, including produce and medicine.

President Hrawi has said the measures are aimed at forcing Gen. Aoun to submit to his authority and has not ruled out a military operation to oust him from the Baabda presidential palace from where he commands 17,000 troops.

The general's supporters have staged a series of protests against the blockade in the past few days, including one on Monday that led to a shooting incident in which 15 people were killed and 104 wounded.

Witnesses said the Lebanese Forces (LF) militia, a Christian group deeply hostile to Gen. Aoun which has cooperated with President Hrawi's army in sealing off the Metn, was responsible for the incident.

Since the shooting, the army surrounding the Metn has responded to demonstrations by closing off affected crossing points to pedestrians.

The blockade of the Metn, a region of 300 square kilometers (120 square miles) that stretches northeast from Beirut, has increased press speculation that the Syrian-backed president may launch an attack against Gen. Aoun.

Press reports on Friday alleged that the French military attache in Beirut,

Colonel Serge Ivanovsky, had met officers loyal to the general to discuss counter-measures to a possible attack against the Baabda palace.

The French embassy here "categorically" denied the reports.

-30- 2136

#90278d7360 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (OCT 5) - Zambian opposition leaders said Friday they would defy a police ban and go ahead with a major political meeting this weekend.

"The police are succumbing to intimidation outside the police force," said Akashambatwa Lewanika, secretary of the Movement for Multi-party Democracy (MMD).

"If you continue obeying the bid of an unjust government they will continue being unjust. You have to resist," he added.

Last month, Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda announced that multi-party elections would be held next year in this hitherto one-party state. But the authorities have been accused of not allowing opposition meetings.

Police rejected an application by the movement to hold a convention at the Mulungushi conference hall in Lusaka. The hall is always used for meetings of the ruling United National Independence Party (UNIP).

Police spokesman Anthony Kaitisha said police felt it would not be safe to grant the movement permission, adding that if the meeting went ahead it would be breaking the law under Zambia's state of emergency.

Organisers say up to 1,000 people from all over Zambia are expected to attend the convention, called to discuss forming a new political party.

They said the meeting would be held at an alternative private venue, thought to be either a discotheque in the city centre or the garden of a private house.

-30- 1576

#90278d7450 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (OCT 5) - The United States embassy in Nigeria denied here Friday that it had called for the removal of Nigerian troops from war-torn Liberia.

Nigeria has contributed more than half of the approximately 6,000 troops sent to Liberia by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS).

Other countries that contributed to the force, known as ECOMOG, were Ghana, Sierra Leone, Guinea and Gambia.

"The U.S. government has not made any call for the removal of Nigerian or other forces belonging to ECOMOG from Liberia," the embassy said in an official statement.

Two Liberian radio stations controlled by rebels of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) led by Charles Taylor had reported that the United States had called for the removal of these Nigerian troops, the embassy said.

The report, attributed by the radio stations to "Mark Fryer, chief of the U.S. State Department's West Africa desk", was a fabrication, and no such official was employed by the State Department, the U.S. statement said.

-30- 1222

#90278d7520 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHARTOUM (OCT 5) - A famine has triggered an exodus from Sudan's Kordofan region, the deputy governor of western Sudan told a leading daily on Friday.

Lieutenant-Colonel Abdel Wahab Hassen Hussein told al-Ingaz al-Watani that food had grown scarce in the region because of a drought.

He said the population was moving to the capital of Khartoum and to White Nile province in central Sudan in hopes of finding food.

Cattle and other animals were dying in great numbers, the deputy governor said. He appealed to the central government to buy surviving animals because

people were no longer able to care for their livestock.

The commissioner of Khartoum municipality has refused to grant assistance to the migrants, saying they should seek help from local authorities at home.

The government has not released any figures on the daily arrivals, but a ministerial committee is due to hold an emergency meeting on the issue soon.

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#90278d7580 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (OCT. 5) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1.476,00 (1.507,50) 1.417,50 (1.447,00)
Lead 430,00 (431,00) 421,50 (421,50)
Zinc Hg 1.434,50 (1.401,00) 1.412,50 (1.383.50)
Tin 6.200,00 (6.225,00) 6.245,00 (6.260,00)
Aluminium 1.985,00 (1.989,50) 1.834,00 (1.841,00)
Nickel 9.675,00 (9.675,00) 9.287,50 (9.237,50)

(last three in dollars per ton)

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#90278d7780 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ILIGAN, Philippines (OCT 5) - Air force planes blasted a rebel-held army camp Friday in the first government attempt to crush a military rebellion in the southern Philippines, but mutiny later spread to another city.

About 100 mutinous soldiers, wearing electric-pink armbands and some carrying machine pistols, left their training camp and marched late Friday to the public square of this city in the southern island of Mindanao.

They were at the camp to be rehabilitated from their pro-rebel links.

Police and paramilitary troops cordoned off the square. "If ordered to arrest them we will do it," city police chief Captain Marcial Gonzaga said. One marcher said: "They better not do that."

"We don't want any fighting," said another soldier in the uniform of an army major. He said the group wanted to see rebel army Colonel Alexander Noble.

Col. Noble had seized two military camps in the nearby cities of Cagayan de Oro and Butuan Thursday and proclaimed an independent republic in Mindanao.

Cagayan de Oro is about 50 kilometers (31 miles) northeast of here. Butuan is another 100 kilometers (62 miles) east.

Government forces recaptured the Butuan camp earlier Friday, aided by two rocket-firing air force planes.

All three cities, within 150 kilometers (93 miles) of each other on the northern coast of Mindanao, were paralyzed as a result of the rebellion.

Airports and ports were closed to traffic and barricades were erected on streets to restrict troop movements.

In Cagayan de Oro, witnesses said at least four giant transport planes disgorged troops, tanks and other military equipment at the airport as government troops prepared an assault on Col. Noble's forces, entrenched at an army divisional headquarters there.

Col. Noble offered to vacate Camp Evangelista "for the sake of peace" and said he expected the government to open talks with him.

In Manila, armed forces chief General Renato de Villa told reporters: "The secessionist rebellion of Noble and Canoy is finished."

He was referring to Reuben Canoy, a politician heading the separatist Mindanao Independence Movement, which the government says supports the rebels.

The general urged civilians in Cagayan de Oro to "get out of the way," saying the military will arrest all mutineers and their civilian supporters. "If they put up a fight, it is unfortunate but they will be defeated," he said.

-30- 2639

#90278d7900 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (OCT 5) - The South African government lifted a 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. curfew in Soweto, the country's largest black city, Friday but received a lukewarm response from the African National Congress (ANC).

Instead, the black nationalist organisation demanded in a statement that an independent body be established to investigate complaints against police.

Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok's office later said in a statement that despite numerous requests to the ANC to back allegations and produce evidence of violence against the ANC, "not a shred of real proof has been produced".

"Perhaps the ANC should stop portraying itself as the victim of apartheid and violence, and channel its energies into getting the peace process going as it has committed itself to doing," Mr. Vlok's statement said.

The ANC statement said there was never any need for the curfews imposed on four townships around Johannesbrg on September 21 and blamed the government for using them to "prevent free political activity ... thereby weakening the ANC and other opponents of apartheid".

The curfews were part of stringent government measures taken in a bid to end the worst wave of black-on-black violence in South African history, which saw nearly 800 people killed since August.

The ANC has claimed that elements of the security forces hostile to the organisation helped instigate the violence, and objected to measures taken by the authorities to stop the fighting.

Mr. Vlok said earlier that unrest and violent crimes had decreased to such an extent that the curfew would be lifted in the Soweto districts of Meadowlands, Dobsonville and Diepkloof from Friday night.

The curfew still remains in force in the townships of Tokoza, Katlehong and Vosloorus, to the east of Johannesburg.

Law and Order spokesman Captain Craig Kotze told commercial radio on Friday that the curfew could be reinstated in Soweto if it was found necessary.

The ANC statement claimed Mr. Vlok "knows too well that the bandits are lying low and will resume their activities when ordered to do so".

It said "only a handful of these murderers" had been apprehended and, in some cases, the ANC alleged, "criminals" had been released on bail or freed.

The ANC also called for the "demilitarisation" of the police and the disbanding of "murder squads".

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#90278d7930 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (OCT 5) - Rebels of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia have captured the home county of slain President Samuel Doe, giving them absolute military control of rural Liberia, according to reports here Friday.

The reports said rebels led by Charles taylor took the area last week and burned down Doe's house and several vehicles.

They said there was fighting until loyal troops ran out of ammunition and fled across the border into the Ivory Coast.

The reports said there have been reprisal killings by Taylor's forces, who are said to be killing people of the Krahn ethnic group of Doe.

Taylor has said he controls about 90 per cent of the West African country and would hold elections next Wednesday. Taylor has refused to accept the interim government which has Amos Sawyer as president, saying that he himself was president of the war-torn country.

His bid to capture the executive mansion, the seat of government in the capital, Monrovia, has met with stiff opposition from Doe's forces, rebels of the second rebel group led by Prince Johnson and the West African peacekeeping force.

Taylor has been pushed back several kilometres in the latest fighting in Monrovia.

-30- 1399

#90278d8070 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 5) - A 19-year-old Frenchman of Arab origin was shot dead outside a Paris suburb apartment building by a resident angry that he was making too much noise late at night, police said Friday.

Khemissi Karar, 19, who was born in Algeria, was talking with two friends outside the building in Neuilly-sur-Marne at around 11.30 p.m. Thursday when he was shot through the heart.

Immigrant members of the local community regarded the crime as "racist".

-30- 637

#90278d8130 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI, PAKISTAN (OCT 5) - One of 11 Soviet hijackers awaiting trial in Pakistan committed suicide in his Karachi prison cell Friday, authorities said.

Igor Suslov hanged himself with a bedsheet from the bars of his cell door, an official statement said.

Suslov was among 11 Russian criminals who hijacked an Aeroflot passenger plane on a domestic flight last August and forced it to land in Karachi where they surrendered.

Pakistan rejected their request for political asylum and Moscow's request for their extradition, saying it would try them.

A judicial inquiry has been ordered into the incident, the official announcement said.

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#90278d8230 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (OCT 5) - A new economic forecast published here on Friday paints a gloomy outlook for the Finnish economy.

Finland enjoyed high and relatively stable economic growth throughout the 1980's, but the economy is now showing alarming signs. The forecast that Conservative Prime Minister Harri Holkeri ordered from the Ministry of Finance says that output growth, which last year was five percent, will be two per cent this year and nil in 1991.

Only last month, in a draft 1991 budget, the government predicted that growth this year will be 2.5 percent, and half a percent next year.

But the government's forecasts were based on a crude oil price of 25 dollars a barrel, and the new forecasts are based on 35 dollars a barrel.

The figure for unemployment next year is now projected at 4.5 percent while a figure of four percent was mooted in the budget. This year unemployment is running at 3.3 percent.

The current account deficit, which will be about 23.7 billion markka (about 6.2 billion dollars) this year, will reach 26.5 billion in 1991.

Price increases, mainly due to expensive oil, will push inflation to an annualised six percent in December, the forecast said.

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#90278d8240 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (OCT 5) - President Ibrahim Babangida urged Japan on Friday to redress trade imbalances between the two countries.

Receiving a 26-man Japanese delegation, comprising representatives of the 15 Japanese firms operating in Nigeria, President Babangida said that between 1985 and 1988, for example, Japanese imports from Nigeria stood at only 21.5 million dollars compared to its exports to the West African nation during the same period of 1.27 billion dollars.

This imbalance could be bridged if Japan imported more of Nigeria's non-oil products and if it could encourage more of its firms to do business in Nigeria, he said.

He commended Japan for giving Nigeria a 200-million-dollar loan to implement its four-year-old economic reform programme, and for financing the second phase of its V,P4,REAW.ANA.HKG-SX,TECO,I274 Japan-Nigeria Association has agreed to establish a joint economic committee which will meet every two years to discuss business in the private sector of the economy, association president Kazuo Haruna told President Babangida.

Mr. Haruna, also chairman of Marubeni Corporation of Japan, urged the Nigerian leader to visit Japan to strengthen relations between the two nations.

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#90278d8540 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 5) - French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas underlined here Friday that the United Nations has sole jurisdiction in the Gulf crisis.

The only way to prevent a war in the region was to make the U.N.-imposed trade sanctions against Iraq effective.

Political observers here saw the statement as intended to confirm that France rejects a military attack against Iraq.

''France acts only within the framework of the Uinted Nations'' and has no intention of adopting a different policy, Dumas said in an interview with Rtl radio. ''It is important that the Kuwait affair remains under the jurisdiction of the U.N.''

''The embargo has been seen to be effective,'' Dumas said. ''One hopes that (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein will alter his position.'' If such a change did not take place, then a new situation would arise.

The Gulf crisis currently vacillated between ''the logic of war'' and ''the logic of peace'', Dumas said.

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#90278d8650 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT 5) - A foreign affairs adviser to the Sultan of Oman is to make a "goodwill" visit to China next week at the invitation of the Chinese government, a foreign ministry spokesman said here Friday.

The envoy, Omar Al Zawawi, will visit from October 10 to October 17 for talks to centre on "bilateral questions", the spokesman added, but refused to say whether the Gulf crisis would be raised.

Beijing, eager to play an active international role since Iraq's August 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait, has since hosted an exiled Kuwaiti official as well as envoys from Iran, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Iraq.

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CALGARY (OCT 5) - Canada has signed five new assistance agreements with the six-member Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) in efforts to strengthen its commitment to development in the region, it was announced

Friday.

Canadian Secretary of State for External Affairs Joe Clark and Monique Landry, Minister for External Relations and International Development made the announcement.

It came on the second day of a four-day meeting in Calgary and Jasper, in the Canadian Rockies, between Canadian officials and the foreign ministers of Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

The five new programs, which will cost around 35 million dollars in funding commitments by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), are directed primarily at improving human resource development through technology transfer and training, as well as protecting the environment, in particular in the fields of solar energy, fisheries and marine science.

Ms. Landry said the programs would be managed from the recently opened Canada-ASEAN Centre based in Singapore.

"The agreements just signed will forge new partnerships with individuals and institutions in Canada and the ASEAN nations and will prove to be invaluable assets in our future relations," said Mr. Clark.

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#90278d8840 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (OCT 5) - Accusing the United States and its allies of holding a double standard, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz reiterated Friday that the Gulf crisis must be settled alongside other Middle East questions, including the Palestinian issue and Lebanon.

In a speech read to the U.N. General Assembly by Iraq's deputy U.N. ambassador Sabat Talat Kadrat, Mr. Aziz accused the United States and Britain of seeking "to suppress any tendency to give consideration" to Iraqi proposals for a global U.N. approach to settle Middle East conflicts.

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#90278d8950 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PESHAWAR, Pakistan (OCT 6) - Following a military victory in central Afghanistan, the Pakistan-based resistance appeared divided Friday over a possible offensive this month on the Afghan capital Kabul, resistance sources said.

Some rebel leaders, particularly Gulbuddin Hekmatyar, want to move quickly, while Moscow and Washington near agreement on holding elections in Afghanistan and stopping arms shipments to the mujahedeen resistance.

Deputy Defence Minister Mohammad Nabi Azimi acknowledged Friday that resistance fighters had seized the "small garrison" in Tarin Kot, the capital of Uruzgan province, overnight Wednesday.

It is the first provincial capital to fall into the hands of the mujahedeen since Soviet troops completed their withdrawal from Afghanistan in February last year.

Mr. Hekmatyar is trying to galvanize support among his Sunni partners here for a major attack on Kabul before the first winter snow, sources here said.

The resistance leader, involved in a March coup attempt against Soviet-backed President Najibullah, is suspected of continued involvement with the Pakistani Secret Service (ISI). Mujahedeen sources said his Hezb-i-Islami party has sent thousands of weapons, including rockets, to Kabul.

But many resistance commanders oppose a massive bombardment that could cause civilian casualties in Kabul, and they reject any hasty actions taken without their consent.

"Everyone must agree," said resistance commander Amin Wardak, adding that "no single faction is capable of toppling Najibullah alone."

Said commander Abdul Haq: "If we must take Kabul now, it would be a disaster." He added that the issue of "credible" leadership within resistance ranks was still unresolved.

Divisions within the resistance have worsened since the Soviet pullout, with the worst rupture between military leaders influential in central Afghanistan and political leaders based in neighboring Pakistan.

Amin Wardak, Abdul Haq and other military leaders last spring began efforts to coordinate their ground operations and assert independence from the Peshawar-based political parties, which they say lost credibility in the failed Jalalabad offensive after Soviet troops withdrew.

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#90278d9010 10/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 5) - President George Bush telephoned South African black leader Nelson Mandela Friday to brief him on a recent visit to Washington by South African President Frederik de Klerk, the White Houuse announced.

Mr. De Klerk visited the U.S. capital September 23-25 -- the first such visit by a South African Government leader in 44 years. He held talks then with Mr. Bush.

Mr. Mandela, the deputy president of the African National Congress, met with

Mr. Bush during a visit to Washington last June.

The White House gave no details of the telephone conversation.

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#90278e0003 10/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Santiago (OCT. 5) EFE - Chile's postal service has begun issuing stamps with the picture of late leftist president Salvador Allende, in a further move to restore official honors to the former leader who was overthrown in a bloody 1973 military coup.

The stamp bearing Allende's picture is part of a new series featuring Chile's last 10 democratic presidents, postal officials said Thursday.

Previous president Gen. Augusto Pinochet, who led the coup against Allende and remained in power for 17 years, was not included in the series.

Pinochet handed over the presidency to Patricio Aylwin in March after losing democratic elections in December.

Allende's body, which had remained in an unmarked grave since he died during the coup, was reburied last month with presidential honors and a massive commemoration.

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#90278e0015 10/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Monaco (OCT. 5) EFE - Organizers have canceled the Offshore World Championship in respect for Stefano Casiraghi, the late husband of Princess Caroline of Monaco, who was killed during one of the speedboat racing event's heats earlier this week.

The decision to cancel the championship was announced late Thursday, as Caroline, accompanied by her brother Albert, sister Stephanie and father Prince Rainier visited the chapel where the 30-year-old businessman's body had been laid out in mourning.

Hundreds of Monaco residents filed past his corpse earlier in the day to pay their last respects, while crowds of journalists and photographers waited outside to try and catch a glimpse of the principality's royal family and famous friends of the businessman.

Casiraghi's body was later transferred to the principality's presidential palace where it is to lie until official funeral services Saturday in Monaco's cathedral.

Casiraghi, a keen sportsman and world champion of offshore, died after his

speedboat hit a wave and overturned off the coast of Monaco on Wednesday.

He had been married to Caroline since 1983. The couple had three small children.

The Italian businessman's co-pilot, Patrice Inocenti, was recovering Friday in hospital from injuries he received in the accident.

"It's very hard to survive an accident like this, in which I have lost my best friend. It would have been better for us to have died together," Inocenti told the daily Nice Matin Friday.

Casiraghi's death comes eight years after Caroline's mother, American film star Grace Kelly, died of a stroke following a car accident.

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#90278e0016 10/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Taipei (OCT. 5) EFE - Taiwan will no longer serve as a refuge for Chinese plane hijackers who from now on are to be immediately handed over to the authorities in Beijing, Taiwanese officials announced Friday.

The decision marks a major policy change and follows Tuesday's three-plane disaster at Canton Airport in southern China, where 20 Taiwanese were among the 127 people who died during a bungled hijack attempt.

Some witnesses said the hijackers had ordered to pilot to fly to Taiwan or Hong Kong and may have blown the plane up when they realized the pilot, probably under standing orders from the Chinese authorities, was attempting to land in Canton.

The pro-Chinese press in Hong Kong bitterly slammed the Taiwan government as instigators of the tragedy through its policy of imposing token jail sentences and granting political asylum to hijackers claiming they only wanted to escape

from mainland China.

In announcing the shift, Immigration Department officials said there would be no change in the government's policy of offering rewards to Chinese Air Force pilots who desert to Taiwan with their aircraft.

In the most recent of these incidents, the Chinese pilot of a Soviet-designed MIG 19 fighter was given dlrs 900,000 in gold ingots and political asylum after he landed his plane in Taiwan.

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#90278e0022 10/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BANGKOK (OCT 5) EFE - Cambodia's Khmer Rouge guerrillas Friday rejected a proposed final peace accord, saying they would not allow Prime Minister Hun Sen to serve as vice president on the council which is to rule until elections are called.

In a rebel radio broadcast monitored in Bangkok, the Khmer Rouge said accepting Hun Sen as vice president of the 12-seat Supreme National Council (SNC) would mean "legitimizing the Vietnamese aggression against Cambodia."

Vietnam, which invaded Cambodia in 1978 to end three years of brutal Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge rule, backs Hun Sen's government.

Hun Sen and the three-group rebel coalition including the Khmer Rouge have agreed in principle to a United Nations peace plan which calls for a cease-fire in the 11-year-old war and the intervention of a 10,000-strong U.N. force.

Under the plan, the U.N. would rule Cambodia alongside the SNC until free elections could be held, but so far the rebels and the government have been unable to reach a definitive accord on the makeup of the council.

The Khmer Rouge said it had been agreed that Prince Norodom Sihanouk, head of one of the other two rebel groups, would be president of the council, but that there was no agreement on a vice president.

Hun Sen's government has insisted Sihanouk's presidency be counted as one of the 12 seats assigned to the rebels on the SNC because if he became the 13th member the balance of power would be tipped in favor of the rebels.

The government wants a compromise and has proposed the prime minister becomes vice president of the council.

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#90278e0033 10/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Seoul (OCT. 5) EFE - North and South Korean negotiators ended a second round of talks Friday without reaching agreement on a formula that would allow both their countries to be represented at the United Nations.

A South Korean official said the negotiators made no advances toward a compromise.

South Korea wants each to apply separately for U.N. membership, a move which North Korea claims would perpetuate the political division of the peninsula.

The South Korean delegates accused the other side of clinging to a "rigid and impractical" plan calling for the two governments to field rotating ambassadors and share expenses while the long-time anatagonists work towards reunfication.

Hardline communist North Korea and South Korea, a U.S. ally, both have had non-voting observer status at the United Nations since the countries were divided at the end of World War II.

A first set of talks on UN representation also ended in stalemate on September 18. A third round is to be held before October 16.

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#90278e0035 10/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (OCT. 5) EFE - The Spanish government Friday ratified the sale of 60 percent of the state-owned truck company ENASA to the automotive giant FIAT, a government spokeswoman said.

The deal, for 1.2 billion pesetas (dlrs 12 million), was signed last month by INI, the state holding company to which ENASA belongs, and FIAT's truck division IVECO.

IVECO has also guaranteed to keep on ENASA's work force.

The West German administration rejected as contrary to anti-monopoly legislation an 80 percent acquisition deal valued at 2.8 billion pesetas for ENASA lodged last year by the Man-Daimler consortium.

The ENASA sale forms part of a rationalization and restructuring program initiated in the past few years by INI in an effort to put the state-owned giant on a sounder financial and operative footing.

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#90278e0037 10/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LIMA (OCT 5) EFE - Former Peruvian president Alan Garcia has been called to appear before a congressional commission probing the deaths of 250 suspected

leftist rebels killed when security forces were called in to quell mutinies at three Lima jails.

Garcia, who was in office when the prison rebellions took place in June 1986, has been asked to give evidence before the commission next Thursday.

Leftist deputy Julio Castro heads the commission, which has two weeks to present its findings to the Chamber of Deputies, one of the two chambers which make up Peru's Congress.

The center-left president authorized the military to quell the rebellions at the Lurigancho, Fronton and Santa Barbara prisons where hundreds of Maoist "Shining Path" rebels had mutinied.

An estimated 254 rebels were killed in the ensuing violence, many of them after they had allegedly surrendered to security forces.

Conditions at the jails were said to be appalling at the time of the rebellions, with the prisoners complaining of overcrowding and poor sanitary facilities while guards had been protesting that hundreds of rebels had managed to amass weapons and explosives.

Garcia's government, which Congress acquitted of all responsibility for the killings in 1987, ordered an inquiry into the repression of the mutinies.

Two officers were last year found guilty of being responsible for the killing of 124 rebels at the Lurigancho jail. Over 100 guerrillas died at the Fronton prison and three at the Santa Barbara women's jail.

Several other congressional commissions have been formed to probe alleged financial irregularities during Garcia's five-year rule.

The former president, who came to power in 1985 on a wave of popular support, has denied all accusations against him.

Garcia, who ordered a massive clean-up of the security forces and the public sector when he came to office, handed over power to President Alberto Fujimori in July leaving behind a crippled economy and a country wracked by leftist violence.

Some 21,000 people have been killed since Shining Path took up arms in 1980.

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#90278e0039 10/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT 5) EFE - Indian troops have repelled a Pakistani Army artillery attack on the Kashmiri border which divides the two countries, the PTI official news agency reported Friday.

Citing a Foreign Ministry spokesman, PTI said Indian troops inflicted substantial losses on the Pakistani forces, who launched the attack at 4 p.m. local time (1030 GMT) Thursday in the Keran area of Kupwara province.

Three Indian soldiers were injured in the four-hour artillery duel, PTI said.

India's high commissioner in the Pakistani capital of Islamabad, J.N. Dixit, has expressed his government's concern about the attack, described as the heaviest in recent months.

When India and Pakistan gained independence from Britain in 1947, Pakistan claimed control of Kashmir, and fighting for control of the border region immediately ensued, with a partition line being established in 1949, ceding control of Kashmir to India.

Since then India and Pakistan have repeatedly accused each other of unprovoked aggression, and in 1965 again went to war over the disputed territory.

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#90278f2053 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Friday 356.73 off 2.26.

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#90278f2054 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Friday - $49,140,000
1990 to date - $8,524,880,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 5 to 91 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	70.30	71.50	70.30	71.30	70.62
Dec	71.80	72.84	71.60	72.80	71.94
Mar	72.51	73.55	72.35	73.45	72.61
May	73.15	74.25	72.95	74.21	73.30
Jly	73.40	74.35	73.30	74.25	73.40
Oct	69.00	69.00	69.00	69.13	68.97

Dec 67.75 67.85 67.70 67.75 67.70

Estimated sales: 5,000 contracts

Open interest: 36,175 up 33
The World spot average: unavailable

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UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.22	8.31	8.92
91-day Treasury bills	7.28	7.35	7.59
182-day Treasury bills	7.44	7.50	7.63
1-year Treasury bills	7.50	7.54	7.52
3-year Treasury notes	7.97	7.98	8.09
7-year Treasury notes	8.53	8.53	8.07
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.79	8.79	8.01
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.25	9.25	8.75
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.85	9.85	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.14	9.10	9.02
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.37	9.34	9.06
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.43	9.39	9.25
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.47	9.41	9.24

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90278f2057 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.
Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Thu	Fri	Thu
Argntn austral	.000188	.000186	5331.00	5370.00

Australia dlr	.8350	.8315	1.1976	1.2026
Austria schill	.0925	.0924	10.81	10.82
Belgium franc-c	.0315	.0316	31.77	31.63
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0122	.0122	81.97	81.97
Britain pound	1.9570	1.9095	.5110	.5237
Britain 1-mo	1.9463	1.8987	.5138	.5267
Britain 3-mo	1.9263	1.8785	.5191	.5323
Britain 6-mo	1.8993	1.8513	.5265	.5402
Canada dollar	.8697	.8690	1.1498	1.1507
Canada 1-mo	.8665	.8657	1.1541	1.1551
Canada 3-mo	.8606	.8595	1.1620	1.1634
Canada 6-mo	.8527	.8520	1.1727	1.1737
Chile peso-f	.003470	.003472	288.18	288.04
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001911	.001912	523.40	522.94
Denmark krne	.1706	.1708	5.8610	5.8550
Ecudr sucre-z	.001186	.001188	843.38	841.43
Egypt pound	.3706	.3706	2.6983	2.6983
Finlnd mrkka	.2738	.2736	3.6525	3.6550
France franc	.1931	.1944	5.1795	5.1440
France 1-mo	.1928	.1941	5.1870	5.1518
France 3-mo	.1921	.1934	5.2043	5.1707
France 6-mo	.1911	.1923	5.2340	5.2013
Greece drach	.006595	.006575	151.63	152.10
Hollnd guildr	.5727	.5775	1.7460	1.7316
HongKong dlr	.1290	.1289	7.7540	7.7583
India rupee	.0557	.0559	17.94	17.88
Indo'sa rupia	.000542	.000542	1845.00	1846.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7465	1.7455	0.5726	0.5729
Israel shekel	.4990	.5003	2.0040	1.9990
Italy lira	.000863	.000869	1159.00	1151.00
Japan yen	.007564	.007463	132.20	134.00
Japan 1-mo	.007586	.007485	131.83	133.60
Japan 3-mo	.007622	.007486	131.20	133.58
Japan 6-mo	.007680	.007605	130.20	131.50
Jordan dinar	1.5627	1.5627	.6399	.6399
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000348	.000348	2873.00	2873.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6175	.6170	1.6194	1.6207
Norway krne	.1676	.1675	5.9670	5.9700
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0465	21.53	21.50
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	433,400	433,400
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007384	.007339	135.42	136.25

Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5724	.5720	1.7470	1.7483
S.Africa rand	.3924	.3920	2.5481	2.5510
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010305	.010376	97.04	96.38
Sweden krona	.1757	.1762	5.6900	5.6750
Switzrl franc	.7719	.7849	1.2955	1.2740
Switzrl 1-mo	.7713	.7846	1.2965	1.2746
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7710	.7845	1.2970	1.2747
Switzrl 6-mo	.7709	.7844	1.2972	1.2748
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.78	26.79
Turkey lira	.000370	.000369	2701.00	2707.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Venez bolivr-z	.0209	.0209	47.77	47.77
W.Ger Mark	.6469	.6511	1.5458	1.5358
W.Ger 1-mo	.6468	.6511	1.5460	1.5359
W.Ger 3-mo	.6462	.6508	1.5474	1.5365
W.Ger 6-mo	.6448	.6488	1.5509	1.5413
Yugosl dinar	.0950	.0946	10.53	10.57

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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BANGKOK (OCT. 5) XINHUA - LAOTIAN FOREIGN MINISTER PHONNE SIPRASEUTH AND VIETNAMESE FOREIGN MINISTER NGUYEN CO THACH WILL PAY OFFICIAL VISITS TO THAILAND THIS MONTH TO GET TO KNOW THEIR NEW THAI COUNTERPART SUBIN PINKHAYAN, A THAI FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL SAID HERE TODAY.

THE LAOTIAN FOREIGN MINISTER IS SCHEDULED TO BE HERE ON OCTOBER 11-12. HE WILL ALSO HAVE TALKS WITH THAI OFFICIALS ON BILATERAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION.

THE VIETNAMESE FOREIGN MINISTER WILL COME ON OCTOBER 26 FOR A FIVE-DAY VISIT. DURING HIS STAY, HE WILL HOLD TALKS WITH SUBIN PINKHAYAN ON ECONOMIC AND TRADE COOPERATION AS WELL AS REGIONAL ISSUES.

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#90278h0150 10/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ATHENS (OCT. 6) XINHUA - GREECE HAS IMPROVED ITS BALANCE OF PAYMENTS IN JULY, ACCORDING TO A REPORT RELEASED HERE TODAY.

GREECE'S CURRENT ACCOUNTS BALANCE SHOWED A 91 MILLION DOLLAR SURPLUS IN JULY

THIS YEAR COMPARED WITH A 50.6 MILLION DOLLAR DEFICIT IN JULY 1989.

BUT THE TRADE DEFICIT OF THE COUNTRY INCREASED BY 32 PERCENT IN THE 6 MONTHS BETWEEN JANUARY AND JULY 1990 REACHING A TOTAL OF 6.671 BILLION DOLLARS AS COMPARED TO 5.053 MILLION DOLLARS OF THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

IMPROVEMENTS WERE NOTED IN THE COUNTRY'S TOURIST, TRANSPORTATION AND EMIGRANT REMMITTANCES THIS YEAR. TOURIST REMMITTANCES INCREASED BY 28.4 PERCENT, REACHING A TOTAL OF 12.68 MILLION DOLLARS, TRANSPORTATION REMMITTANCES INCREASED BY 27.9 PERCENT AND EMIGRANT REMMITTANCES BY 19.4 PERCENT. THE TOTAL FOREIGN CURRENCY AVAILABILITY OF THE COUNTRY REACHED A TOTAL OF 4.259 MILLION DOLLARS AS COMPARED TO 3.934 MILLION DOLLARS LAST YEAR.

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#90278h0172 10/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING, OCTOBER 5 (XINHUA) -- RESEARCHERS FROM THE CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES RECENTLY SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHED A SPACE PROBE TO STUDY THE OZONE LAYER TO A MAXIMUM DISTANCE OF 30 KM ABOVE THE EARTH'S SURFACE.

THE INCREASING DEPLETION OF THE OZONE LAYER HAS CAUSED WORLDWIDE ALARM ABOUT ITS DAMAGING EFFECT ON THE EARTH'S ENVIRONMENT.

THE PROBE, DEVELOPED BY THE ACADEMY'S INSTITUTE OF THE ATMOSPHERE, CONSISTS OF OZONE, TEMPERATURE AND PRESSURE SENSING ELEMENTS, AND DATA GATHERING, TRANSFER AND TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS AS WELL AS GROUND-BASED DATA RECEIVING AND PROCESSING SUBSYSTEMS.

SCIENTISTS BELIEVE THAT THE CHANGES IN THE OZONE LAYER ARE CLOSELY RELATED TO SOLAR ACTIVITIES, AND MORE PROBES ARE PLANNED FOR LATER THIS YEAR.

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BEIJING (OCT. 5) XINHUA - CHINA SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHED ANOTHER SCIENTIFIC EXPERIMENT SATELLITE FROM THE LAUNCHING PAD IN JIUQUAN, NORTHWEST CHINA, AT 14:15 (BEIJING TIME) TODAY.

IT WAS SENT INTO ORBIT BY A "LONG MARCH 2" CARRIER ROCKET. AT PRESENT, THE SATELLITE TRACKING AND CONTROL CENTER IN XI'AN, CAPITAL OF SHAANXI PROVINCE, IS MONITORING THE SATELLITE. VARIOUS TECHNICAL PARAMETERS HAVE SHOWN THAT THE SATELLITE'S METERS AND INSTRUMENTS ARE WORKING WELL.

THE SATELLITE IS CARRYING ANIMALS AND PLANTS SO THAT THEIR REACTIONS UNDER CONDITIONS OF WEIGHTLESSNESS CAN BE OBSERVED.

SCHEDULED TO RETURN TO EARTH IN EIGHT DAYS, IT IS THE 30TH SATELLITE SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHED BY CHINA.

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STOCKHOLM (OCT. 5) XINHUA - SWEDISH SCIENTISTS HAVE INVENTED A NEW METHOD TO CURE PROSTATE CANCER, ONE OF THE MOST COMMON CANCERS AMONG THE MALES, THE NEWSPAPER "DAGENS NYHETER" REPORTED TODAY.

SCIENTISTS AT THE HOSPITAL OF SAHLGRENSKA ACHIEVED GOOD RESULTS IN APPLYING THE CURE TO 13 PATIENTS LAST YEAR, THOUGH FINAL RESULTS WILL BE KNOWN IN FIVE YEARS.

THE SCIENTISTS PLACED THE SOURCE OF RADIATION INSIDE THE PATIENT'S BODY, INSTEAD OF USING THE OLD WAY OF IRRADIATION, TO AVOID CAUSING SIDE-EFFECTS ON NEARBY ORGANS.

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BRUSSELS (OCTOBER 5) XINHUA - SPAIN HAD BLOCKED A NATO PLAN OF ALLOWING NAVAL FORCES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN TO VISIT EGYPT AS A SIGN OF SOLIDARITY WITH CAIRO OVER THE GULF CRISIS, SAID NATO SOURCE TODAY.

THE UNITED STATES REQESTED ABOUT A MONTH AGO FOR A FORCE OF EIGHT NATO WARSHIPS TO BE MOVED TO THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN AND BRITAIN SUGGESTED THAT THEY VISIT ALEXANDRIA, AN UNUSUAL PORT OF CALL BECAUSE IT IS OUTSIDE NATO TERRITORY.

SPAIN OPPOSED THE MOVE AT A NATO AMBASSADORS' MEETING ON OCTOBER 4 IN BRUSSELS BLOCKING THE REDEPLOYMENT OF WARSHIPS CURRENTLY ON EXERCISE IN THE WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN, SAID THE SOURCES.

"THE SPANISH CLEARLY FEEL THIS WOULD BE MOVING NATO INTO ?OUT OF AREA' OPERATIONS, EVEN IF THE VISIT WOULD OFFICIALLY ONLY BE TO PICK UP SUPPLIES, AND THAT IT MIGHT BE PROVOCATIVE," ACCORDING TO ONE SOURCE.

AMONG NATO MEMBERS, THE ISSUE OF OPERATION OUTSIDE NATO TERRITORY IS CONTROVERSIAL AND EXTREMELY SENSITIVE. SOME NATIONS, SUCH AS BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES, STRONGLY FAVOUR SUCH AN EXPANSION WHILE OTHERS, PARTICULARLY SPAIN AND FRANCE, DO NOT.

AT ANOTHER MEETING ON OCTOBER 4, AMBASSADORS FROM THE 16 NATO STATES HAD AGREED TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM AN INTERNATIONAL AID ORGANISATION TO SUPPLY MORE PLANES TO HELP AIRLIFT REFUGEES FROM THE GULF REGION, ADDED THE SOURCES.

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MANILA (OCTOBER 5) XINHUA - PHILIPPINE VICE-PRESIDENT SALVADOR LAUREL, WHO IS NOW IN THE UNITED STATES, TODAY EXPRESSED HIS "GRAVE CONCERN" OVER THE POCKET REBELLION STAGED BY RENEGADE COL. ALEXANDER NOBLE, FORMER PRESIDENTIAL SECURITY GROUP CHIEF, AND HIS MEN IN MINDANAO, THE SECOND LARGEST ISLAND OF THE PHILIPPINES.

IN A STATEMENT ISSUED BY HIS SPOKESMAN IKE GUTIERREZ, LAUREL EXPRESSED HIS HOPE THAT BLOODSHED COULD BE AVERTED.

IT WAS NOTED THAT IN SEVERAL INSTANCES IN THE PAST, LAUREL WAS ALWAYS OUT OF THE COUNTRY DAYS BEFORE COUP ATTEMPTS WERE LAUNCHED, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PHILIPPINE NEWS AGENCY.

HOWEVER, GUTIERREZ POINTED OUT THAT THERE WAS NOTHING WRONG WITH THE VICE-PRESIDENT BEING IN THE UNITED STATES WHEN THE POCKET REBELLION WAS STAGED EARLY THURSDAY MORNING.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS LIKE DEFENSE SECRETARY FIDEL RAMOS, SPEAKER RAMON MITRA, NATIONAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION DIRECTOR ALFREDO LIM AND SOME SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN WERE ALSO OUT OF THE COUNTRY, HE ADDED.

LAUREL LEFT FOR THE UNITED STATES ON OCTOBER 2 TO STAND AS A SPONSOR IN A BAPTISM, GUTIERREZ SAID.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 4) KYODO - U.S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS TO JAPAN GREW IN THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, MAKING IT CERTAIN THAT JAPAN WAS AGAIN THE LARGEST CUSTOMER FOR U.S. FARM PRODUCTS, A GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL SAID THURSDAY.

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL AT THE AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT, THE UNITED STATES EXPORTED FARM PRODUCTS VALUED AT SOME 8.3 BILLION DOLLARS TO JAPAN IN FISCAL 1990, UP FROM 8,152 MILLION DOLLARS IN FISCAL 1989.

JAPAN HAS BEEN THE LARGEST IMPORTER OF U.S. AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SINCE THE EARLY 1960S.

GROWTH WAS STRONG IN ALMOST ALL CATEGORIES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SHIPPED TO JAPAN, WITH PORK EXPORTS RISING REMARKABLY, SAID THE OFFICIAL, WHO SPOKE ON CONDITION OF ANONYMITY.

BUT OVERALL MEAT EXPORTS ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE FALLEN BELOW YEAR-EARLIER LEVELS BECAUSE OF SLUGGISH EXPORTS OF BEEF AND CHICKEN AMID STIFF COMPETITION FROM SUPPLIERS SUCH AS THAILAND AND BRAZIL, THE OFFICIAL SAID.

AS ANOTHER FACTOR BEHIND THE SLACK BEEF EXPORTS, THE OFFICIAL SINGLED OUT SLOWER-THAN-EXPECTED GROWTH IN BEEF CONSUMPTION IN JAPAN.

AFTER YEARS OF TOUGH NEGOTIATIONS, TOKYO AGREED IN 1988 TO OPEN ITS BEEF MARKET BY PHASING OUT RESTRICTIONS ON BEEF IMPORTS BY 1991.

IN FISCAL 1990, OVERALL US. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS TO THE REST OF THE WORLD ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE FALLEN BELOW 39.6 BILLION DOLLARS IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR, THE OFFICIAL SAID.

THE MAIN REASON FOR THE EXPORT SLOWDOWN WAS BUMPER GRAIN HARVESTS IN MAJOR IMPORTERS SUCH AS CHINA AND INCREASED SUPPLIES IN MAIN EXPORTING COUNTRIES SUCH AS CANADA, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL.

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TOKYO (OCT. 5) KYODO - JAPAN AND THE SOVIET UNION WILL DISCUSS INCREASING TRANS-SIBERIAN FLIGHTS BY JAPANESE AIRLINES IN TALKS OCTOBER 8-11 IN MOSCOW, THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY SAID FRIDAY.

MOSCOW NOW ALLOWS 35 WEEKLY JAPANESE FLIGHTS VIA SIBERIA ON A ROUND TRIP BASIS BETWEEN JAPAN AND EUROPE.

MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID TOKYO WANTS TO WIN SOVIET APPROVAL TO EXPAND SUCH SERVICES TO PAVE THE WAY FOR LAUNCHING NONSTOP FLIGHTS ON THE TOKYO-BERLIN ROUTE.

THE MINISTRY WILL NEGOTIATE THESE FLIGHTS WITH GERMANY, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90278k0094 10/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 5) KYODO - JAPAN PROVIDED MALAYSIA WITH 1.42 MILLION RINGGIT (ABOUT 530,000 DOLLARS) FRIDAY UNDER ITS CULTURAL GRANT PROGRAM TO BUY AUDIO DUBBING EQUIPMENT FOR RADIO-TELEVISION MALAYSIA (RTM) AND THE EDUCATION MINISTRY, OFFICIALS SAID.

MALAYSIA AND JAPAN EXCHANGED DIPLOMATIC NOTES FOR THE GRANT. FOREIGN MINISTRY SECRETARY GENERAL AHMAD KAMIL JAAFAR SIGNED FOR MALAYSIA WHILE JAPAN WAS REPRESENTED BY AMBASSADOR NOBORU NAKAHIRA.

JAPAN HAS PROVIDED ABOUT 13 MILLION RINGGIT TO MALAYSIA SINCE 1978 UNDER ITS CULTURAL GRANT PROGRAM.

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TOKYO (OCT. 5) KYODO - CHASE MANHATTAN SECURITIES LTD. WILL CLOSE ITS TOKYO BRANCH THIS YEAR AS PART OF ITS PARENT COMPANY'S COST-CUTTING MEASURES,

INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID FRIDAY.

OFFICIALS AT THE TOKYO OFFICE OF THE U.S. SECURITIES FIRM DID NOT COMMENT ON THE REASON FOR THE CLOSING BUT THE SOURCES SAID IT IS PROBABLY DUE TO THE LOW PROFITS AND HIGH COSTS OF OPERATING IN TOKYO.

IT WILL BE THE SECOND TIME THIS YEAA SECURITIES COMPANY LINKED TO AN AMERICAN BANK HAS CLOSED UP SHOP IN TOKYO. THE TOKYO BRANCH OF CHEMICAL NEW YORK CAPITAL MARKET CORP., AFFILIATED WITH CHEMICABANK LTD., CLOSED DOWN EALIER THIS YEAR.

CHASE MANHATTAN SECURITIES, AFFIATED WITH CHASE MANHATTAN CORP., EMPLOYS 35 IN TOKYO WHERE IT BEGAN OPERATIONS JUNE 1987.

IT REPOR PRETAX PROFITS OF 310 MIISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31.

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TOKYO (OCT. 5) KYODO - KIRIN BREWERY CO. SAID FRIDAY IT HAS DEVELOPED A NEW SPECIES OF POTATO, USING PROTOPLAST (NAKED CELL) GROWTH TECHNOLOGY -- A TYPE OF BIOTECHNOLOGY.

WHILE NEW SPECIES OF RICE HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED USING PROTOPLAST GROWTH TECHNOLOGY, KIRIN IS THE WORLD'S FIRST TO USE IT TO DEVELOP A NEW SPECIES OF POTATO AS A COMMERCIAL PRODUCT, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE NEW SPECIES, WHICH HAS RED OR PURPLE SKIN, WILL GO ON TRIAL SALE AT TWO SUPERMARKETS IN TOKYO NEXT WEDNESDAY, THEY SAID.

THE NEW POTATO IS AN IMPROVEMENT ON THE NEODELICIOUS, KNOWN FOR ITS DELICIOUSNESS, BUT ELIMINATES TWO OF ITS DEFECTS -- A NONUNIFORM SHAPE AND DEEP-SET, HARD-TO-EXCISE POTATO EYES.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE NEW SPECIES IS THE RESULT OF FOUR YEARS OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.

THE NEW POTATOES HAVE BEEN GROWN IN YUBARI, HOKKAIDO. INITIALLY, 4,000 PACKAGES, EACH WEIGHING 500 GRAMS, WILL SELL ON A TRIAL BASIS FOR ABOUT 240 YEN PER PACKAGE.

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NAGOYA (OCT. 5) KYODO - TOYOTA MOTOR CORP., PLANNING TO BUILD AN ADDITIONAL PLANT IN BRAZIL TO INCREASE PRODUCTION, HAS BEGUN NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE PURCHASE OF LAND IN THE SUBURBS OF SAO PAULO, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID FRIDAY.

TOYOTA IS NEGOTIATING FOR FARMLAND ABOUT 100 KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF SAO PAULO THE OFFICIALS SAID. THEY REFUSED, HOWEVER, TO REVEAL THE SIZE OF THE PLOT OR PROJECTED PURCHASE PRICE.

TOYOTA HAS BEEN ASSEMBLING AUTOS AT A PLANT IN SAO PAULO SINCE 1959. THAT PLANT NOW PRODUCES ABOUT 5,000 AUTOS PER YEAR, MOST OF WHICH ARE SOLD IN BRAZIL.

NO FINISHED CARS ARE SHIPPED TO THAT COUNTRY FROM JAPAN AS THE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT ENCOURAGES LOCAL PRODUCTION.

BRAZIL, WITH ABOUT 150 MILLION PEOPLE, IS A VERY PROMISING MARKET, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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TOKYO (OCT.5) KYODO - MEXICO SAID FRIDAY IT IS BOOSTING OIL PRICES 15.6 PERCENT TO 23.3 PERCENT, ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY SOURCES.

IN A NOTICE TO JAPANESE OIL DISTRIBUTORS AND TRADING COMPANIES, MEXICO SET THE GOVERNMENT SELLING PRICE (GSP) OF ISTHMUS CRUDE, A MEDIUM-GRAVITY OIL, FOR SEPTEMBER SHIPMENT AT 32.31 DOLLARS PER BARREL, UP 6.1 DOLLARS OR 23.3 PERCENT THE SOURCES SAID. THE GSP FOR MAYA HEAVY CRUDE WAS SET AT 26.37 DOLLARS, A BOOST OF 3.56 DOLLARS OR 15.6 PERCENT.

JAPAN LAST YEAR IMPORTED 150,000 BARRELS PER DAY OF MEXICAN CRUDE, 4 PERCENT OF ITS CRUDE IMPORTS.

THE SOURCES SAID THE PRICE HIKE FOR ISTHMUS CRUDE WAS IN EXCESS OF THAT FOR DUBAI OR OMANI CRUDE. THEY SAID WORLD SUPPLY IS STILL 1 TO 1.5 MILLION BARRELS PER DAY SHORT OF DEMAND DESPITE PRODUCTION BOOSTS BY SAUDI ARABIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES, MAKING MEXICO VERY BULLISH ON PRICES.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT 5) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

The LABOR DEPARTMENT reports this morning that unemployment rose to 5.7% in September, up from 5.6% in August. Non-farm payroll tumbled 101,000. The consensus expectation of 17 economists surveyed by the "Dow Jones Capital Markets Report" had been for the unemployment rate to rise 0.1 percent and for non-farm payroll to decline 5,000.

The HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES rejected the budget deficit compromise package

early this morning. ... U.S. stocks in London are sharply lower on news of the failed budget deal. ... The EXMI is off nearly 6.50 with IBM and P&G indicated down 1 1/2. ... Bonds are also off, with the long yield up to 8.82%. ... The dollar is weaker against the yen, stronger vs. the mark. ... The FTSE is down sharply, losing 31 points at midday. ... Late news of the budget vote knocks the Nikkei off it's highs, but it still adds 549 points. ... North Sea crude is up 65 cents to $36.80. The index of national help-wanted ads fell 5 points in August, according to the CONFERENCE BOARD. ... MOBIL CORP. says it has agreed to acquire TUCKER HOUSEWARES. ... BLACK & DECKER CORP. has announced agreements to sell four businesses as part of an ongoing effort to reduce debt stemming from its 1989 takeover of EMHART CORP. ... INTEL CORP. has filed a trademark infringement suit against ADVANCED MICRO DEVICES. ... CHARLES KEATING JR. says he has a negative net worth of more than $4 million.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

BASS PLC plans to spend $1 billion in three years to upgrade its HOLIDAY INN chain. ... GENERAL MOTORS announces it will try to keep the base price for its SATURN line being unveiled next week at $10,000 to $12,000. ... ABBY JOSEPH COHEN is moving from BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD to GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. to be one of the firms top two commentators on the markets.

FROM THE BULLS:

GUY COURTNEY at DAVID A. NOYES in Chicago says the stock market has fallen so low that investors can "throw darts" and find values. "The real risk is missing the first part of any move," he says, adding that those who buy now probably will make money later regardless of whether the market slips a little more in the short run. (WSJ, 10/5)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The guys in the trenches say it's still a funeral out there," says SARA CERATO vice president for institutional sales at NOMURA SECURITIES. "They don't know if the recent gains are sustainable." ("USA Today", 10/5)

"When things calm down and everyone thinks the storm is over with [in the Mideast]," says BERNADETTE MURPHY of M. KIMELMAN & CO, "indeed it is really just a pause. Unless there are major changes in the fundamentals of the market I think it is truly the eye of the hurricane and we are still in a bear market." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 10/4)

"We're in a bear market and one of its characteristics is periods of dull drifting and we just have to get used to it," says ROBERT STOVALL, president of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. PETER GRENNAN at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS says action among what he calls "the better-acting blue chips is camouflaging the selling seeping through the broad list of stocks. It's not very encouraging; the broad list continues to recede under quiet, consistent, steady pressure."

(NYT, 10/5)

"Raise some more cash," says ARNOLD KAUFMAN, editor of "S&P Outlook." He says the market's list of problems is getting longer: oil prices, the risk of war, falling profit estimates, eroding real estate, and the risk of margin calls. "A significant reduction in interest rates has become less likely," says Kaufman. "The underlying trend appears likely to remain downward." He recommends a portfolio of 50% stocks, 30% bonds and 20% cash. (CNBC "World Business", 10/5)

STOCK MARKET:

"The Dow see-sawed all day," says TONY CECIN, head of OTC trading at PIPER, JAFFRAY & HOPWOOD. "The over-the- counter market tends to see -- but not saw. The OTC stocks go down when the market goes down, but they don't go up when the market goes up." (WSJ, 10/5)

"Basically, despite the pullback in the market, we don't see the crashing bargains that you should see with all the uncertainties that there are," says JAMES BRADFORD JR. of J.C. BRADFORD & CO. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/4)

"It was a Chicago-driven affair," says MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER. He referred to stock futures trading in Chicago yesterday that triggered program trades in New York. (WSJ, 10/5)

"There is no consensus as to what is going to happen and that is reflected in the [low] volume and disparities" between blue chip stocks and over-the-counter stocks, says STEVE BLISS at MABON NUGENT. (WSJ, 10/5)

Look for stocks to open sharply lower this morning on Wall Street, says LEHMAN BROTHERS' MICHAEL BENSON from London. He expects the fifty point collar could come into effect at the opening. "No rout, but I don't think you'll get a recovery either." (CNN "Business Day" 10/5)

"I suspect it's not going to be a good morning in the marketplace," says JERRY GOLD, director of research for BROWN BROTHERS HARRIMAN. The budget failure is only part of a broader pattern of news that's been disturbing to the markets for a while, according to Gold. "It's a cliche, but it's true -- Wall Street abhors uncertainty," says Gold of the lack of a budget deal. The stock market usually bottoms three to four months before a bottom in the economy, says Gold who looks for a bottom in the economy early next year. (CNBC "World Business" 10/5)

"It was a blue-chip rally," says HOWARD WARD of SCUDDER, STEVENS & CLARK, pointing out that advancers trailed decliners for the day. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/4)

"The action was encouraging," says RAO CHALSANI of PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN.

"Volume wasn't great but in the initial stages of a rally it usually isn't." Chalsani believes that the resolution to the budget crisis will have a major impact on the stock market. He says, "If it passes, it will be bullish for stocks because there is more 'meat' to it in terms of tax increases and cuts in spending that will reduce the budget." ("Investor's Daily", 10/5)

"Passage [of the budget agreement] does not necessarily guarantee a rally on Monday," says BRIAN FABBRI of MIDLAND MONTAGU. "I think we've seen what we can expect from the market, in a positive sense, from this budget accord." He says lack of an accord can only force the markets down. (CNN "Moneyline", 10/4)

STOCK TIPS:

"There are lots of areas that one could enter at this particular point [such as] the bond market, five- to 10- year bonds," says GEORGE ZIMMERMAN, director of research at GRUNTAL & CO. "SAFEWAY bonds, would be an example of a good junk bond," he says. On stocks, he likes GLAXO HOLDINGS and SMITHKLINE BECKMAM. (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 10/4)

"People used to think of the [pollution control] group as completely recession resistant," says RICHARD EASTMAN of BLUNT ELLIS & LOEWI. "But many of the companies are tied into industrial production and regional economies. There have been questions as to how these stocks will hold up." ("USA Today", 10/5)

"Right now, TENNACO is an awfully cheap buy," says DAVID FLEISCHER of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE in response to the stock tumbling 4 3/4 to 45 1/4 yesterday, partly on his reduced earnings projection. "All of its other divisions are doing well and a year from now the stock could be back well into the 60s." ("USA Today", 10/5)

DAN DORFMAN went to FESHBACH BROTHERS to get the renowned short-selling firm's 10 best short ideas in the current market. They are: CENTRAL FIDELITY BANKS, GOLDEN VALLEY MICROWAVE, HEALTHCARE SERVICES GROUP, INTERNATIONAL RECTIFIER, LA GEAR, NORTHROP, NWNL COS., POP RADIO, WELLS FARGO and YORK RESEARCH. ("USA Today", 10/5)

DONALD YACKTMAN of SELECTED AMERICAN SHARES likes RALSTON PURINA in part because of its chairman, WILLIAM STIRITZ. "He sees the shareholder as a partner and not as a nuisance," says Yacktman. Purina has repurchased more than 50 million shares in the last decade. ("Investor's Daily", 10/5)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"Basically the dollar will be on the defensive," says LISA FINSTROM of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. She says interest rates will have a large impact on the future of the greenback. (CNN "Moneyline", 10/4)

The failure to pass the budget deal means higher interest rates for longer, says Fed watcher DAVID JONES, chief economist at AUBREY G. LANSTON. "It means the Fed waits longer. It doesn't mean they won't ease -- I think that's in the cards. The question is when and by how much." The longer the Fed is forced to wait, the deeper will be the recession, predicts Jones. "The worst part of the whole thing is the uncertainty." (CNN "Business Morning", 10/5)

The dollar will probably get some initial support from the rejection of the budget deal as traders look for higher U.S. interest rates, says BILL ORSINI of the BANK OF MONTREAL. "Eventually, however, this is not good news for the dollar," says Orsini, because it indicates to world markets that the United States is unable to get its economic house in order. (FNN "World Business Update", 10/5)

"The dollar was set up for this blowout," says DAVID GILMORE at McCARTHY, CRISATI & MAFFEI, noting that the dollar had ended trading Wednesday at levels many traders saw as sending a sell signal. (WSJ, 10/5)

DAVID GILMORE at McCARTHY, CRISANTI & MAFFEI says FED CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN "really crossed the Chinese wall between Fed monetary policy and fiscal policy" with his implicit pledge to lower interest rates if Congress approves a deficit reduction package. He calls Greenspan's action "a little bit shoddy." ABIGAIL COOK of HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORP. in New York says, "Greenspan sold out." (WSJ, 10/5)

"I never thought that in my lifetime I'd see the [bank] bonds go down like this," says LOWELL BRYAN at McKINSEY & CO. "The yields are telling you there is a good chance that some of these banks are going to default," says NEIL CROWDER of IDS FINANCIAL SERVICES. (WSJ, 10/5)

"The bond market is preoccupied with the goings on in Washington, but it continues to grind higher because it's technical condition is still very good " says JOHN COSTAS at FIRST BOSTON CORP. (NYT, 10/5)

"The betting [in the bond market] is that some version of the budget will be passed, perhaps one with more teeth than the original proposal," says STEVE RICCHUITO at BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD. He commented before the House voted against the package early this morning. (WSJ, 10/5)

"We've been expecting that over a six month horizon, we'll get ... a lower shift in the trading range" of the dollar, says NICHOLAS SARGEN of SALOMON

BROTHERS. ("Nightly Business Report", 10/4)

"We believe interest rates have peaked both in the U.S. and Japan," says RAO CHALSANI of PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. "We turned more bullish last Thursday and advised our aggressive accounts to reduce cash from 30% to 15% and conservative accounts from 30% to 25%." ("Investor's Daily", 10/5)

"Anticipation that a [budget] deal will be accepted ... weaker oil prices today, and prospects for a bad unemployment number" on Friday helped fuel the bond rally, says HOWARD WARD of SCUDDER, STEVENS & CLARK. He says a lower unemployment rate could drive yields back up. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/4)

THE ECONOMY:

"Everybody but the economists recognize there's a recession going on in the country," says APPLE CHAIRMAN JOHN SCULLEY. ("USA Today", 10/5)

IN WASHINGTON:

BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC," says, "I think we have a budget accord that, in effect, is not a budget accord. We're back to where we were. ... We're back to square one. We're either back to smoke and mirrors or we're not to back to smoke and mirrors when the thing finally passes. As of this moment, it's smoke and mirrors. There's just no doubt about that." He commented before the House rejected the package. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/4)

"I don't think the market looks at this [budget accord] as a long-term solution anyway," says economist JIM WINDER of MERRILL LYNCH. ("The Washington Post", 10/5)

"I think if they actually vote down the deal, that will change the attitudes of [Fed Chairman Alan] Greenspan and the Fed and the markets will react very negatively," says JAMES JONES, chairman of the AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE. ("The Washington Post", 10/5)

NYNEX CORP. has settled a FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION complaint that it overcharged its telephone customers.. The company agreed to a $1.4 million fine and will reduce its interstate access charges for one year by $35.5 million. (NYT, 10/5)

ISABEL SWANHILL of the URBAN INSTITUTE says the immediate effect of the budget agreement would be negative. "That means $500 billion of spending power out of the economy - with reduced production, more unemployment, less income, and less money to spend on consumer goods," explains Swanhill. On the plus side "will be lower interest rates because the government isn't borrowing so much," according to Swanhill. She says the dollar would be hurt by the plan. ("The Christian Science Monitor", 10/5)

"They can't sell the details of the budget agreement," says REP. ROBERT WALKER (R. - Penn.). "What they're saying is that the details are subject to change once it gets to the committee." ("Investor's Daily", 10/5)

"Over a hundred of us signed a written pledge in which we said we would not increase taxes or tax rates or the functional equivalent, which is what this budget does," says REP. CHUCK DOUGLAS (R. - New Hamp.). With this type of opposition, some leaders are backing off of the negotiated agreement. "Many of the policies outlined in the budget summit were for illustrative purposes and there would be the possibility of looking at alternative policies to achieve the same savings," says SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE TOM FOLEY (D. - Wash.). (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/4)

"I would quote Lennon ... John, not Nikolai ... that 'Life is what's happening while you're making other plans,'" says REP. FRED GRANDY (R. - Iowa). "When most of us signed that pledge, we didn't know what Operation Desert Shield was ... most of us thought Hussein was the King of Jordan." ("Nightly Business Report", 10/4)

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SANTA BARBARA, CA (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Mentor Corp. (NASDAQ: MNTR) today announced record sales of approximately $16.7 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Mentor's Chairman, Christopher J. Conway, said he anticipates that second quarter's operating profits will be near record levels, and very similar to the results experienced in the first quarter.

The company also announced that it would take a charge of $1.5 million, or approximately $.09 per share for costs of restructuring certain of its manufacturing operations, and the cost of restructuring its sales force in preparation for a major new product introduction.

Mentor recently moved its polymer manufacturing operation from Santa Barbara to Dallas. Over the next two years other operations, including sterilization, distribution and some product assembly will be moved from Santa Barbara to Dallas. $1.3 million of the charge includes amounts estimated for certain start-up costs, the costs of nontransferable equipment, the resolution of pollution control issues and a general reserve for unspecified expenses. "Relocating these manufacturing operations to Texas will make it much easier to expand production, and should also result in significant margin improvements," said Conway.

Also in connection with the manufacturing relocation, the company announced that it has sold its Santa Barbara manufacturing facility for approximately $5.5 million, and has leased it back for an initial period of three years.

The company's surgical sales force is being restructured and expanded into two separate urology, and plastic surgery sales forces. A charge of $200,000 is being reserved against the anticipated restructuring costs. "Our surgical markets will be better served by the focused efforts of specialized sales forces," said Conway. "We especially want to gear up our urology sales force in preparation for the introduction of Urethrin, which is perhaps the most exciting new product we have ever brought to market."

Urinary incontinence can be treated with injections of Urethrin, a physiologically compatible substance which assists the function of the urethral sphincter. On April 5, 1990, Urethrin was recommended for marketing approval by an FDA Advisory Panel. The company hopes to receive final FDA approval to market the product some time during its current fiscal year.

Mentor Corp. develops, manufactures and markets medical and surgical devices for the specialties of urology, plastic & reconstructive surgery, and ophthalmology; and products for hospital and home health care.

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COLOGNE, W. GERMANY (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Since announcing a pilot program to collect plastics, metals and other photofinishing materials from U.S. photo labs, several of Eastman Kodak Company's (NYSE: EK) European subsidiaries have launched recycling activities of their own.

Since late 1989, film cartridges, plastic film containers, steel film magazines and paper have been recycled by major U.S. photofinishing labs taking part in the program. Other items collected include film spools, plastic cores from rolls of photographic paper, cardboard shipping containers and wooden pallets. To date, nearly 40 more labs have asked to participate joining the 10 photofinishers and several minilab chains already participating.

"Our goal for 1990 is to add 60 to 70 of the largest labs in the U.S. representing about 50 percent of the photofinishing taking place in this country," said Peter M. Palermo, Kodak vice president and general manager of the Consumer Imaging Division. "They could collect about half of the six million pounds of polyethylene film containers Kodak manufactures annually."

By year's end, the recycling effort could annually collect more than: -- 1,700 tons of steel film cassettes; -- 600 tons of polyethylene film containers and lids, and; -- 330 tons of polystyrene film cartridges, housings and cores from paper.

As Kodak's U.S. recycling effort gains momentum, another program managed by Kodak's European region office is expanding in the United Kingdom and other

European countries.

When the European Economic Community is formalized in 1992, the strongest environmental rules of each country effectively will apply across Europe, prompting a broader recycling emphasis. Germany, for example, is extremely sensitive to environmental needs. In Stuttgart, Kodak AG is shipping plastics from the photofinishing process to manufacturers of commodity items, such as industrial piping. The subsidiary is also investigating the collection of spent photofinishing solutions for treatment, as well as monitoring existing minilab effluents.

Elsewhere, environmental efforts take different directions. In Sweden, more labs are using ion-exchange equipment to extend the usefulness of their photochemicals. In Austria, Kodak's subsidiary has begun collecting polyethylene film canisters for recycling. In Japan, some 85 percent of plastics and metals are already recycled by the public for economic rather than environmental needs.

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NEWMARKET, NH (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Vitronics Corporation (AMEX: VTC) today announced that David G. Mayo has been promoted to the newly created position of corporate controller/assistant treasurer and chief accounting officer.

Prior to joining Vitronics Corporation in December 1988 as controller, Mayo held various financial positions at Computervision from 1979 through 1988. Prior to that, he was employed at Price Waterhouse & Co., an international accounting firm. Mayo is also a member of the AICPA and Massachusetts Society of CPAs.

James J. Manfield, Jr., president and CEO said, "We are very pleased to appoint Dave to the new position. Dave has a very strong background in the controllership area and has the capability to expand his horizons into the financial aspects of the company."

Vitronics Corporation is a rapidly growing supplier of state-of-the- art thermal processing and associated equipment, with an established reputation as an innovator and leader in the surface mount industry. Vitronics(R)' equipment is primarily aimed at the huge electronics industry and has achieved considerable technical recognition in the production of printed circuit boards. The company also supplies equipment to the medical, chemical, pharmaceutical, plastics, graphics and textile industries.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunex Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNX) scientists reported in today's issue of the journal "Cell" that they have discovered and cloned the gene encoding mast-cell growth factor (MGF), a protein known to be associated with anemia, sterility and pigmentation defects in mice. Their work could lead to treatments for certain types of anemia, dysplasia (abnormal development of adult cells), bone-marrow failure and the side effects of chemotherapy-induced conditions in humans.

Scientists have been seeking this growth factor in an effort to understand how a single genetic defect could result in several developmental deficiencies. This discovery will help biologists understand processes that affect anemia, fertility and pigmentation.

"This is a tremendous scientific achievement," said Steven Gillis, Ph.D., Immunex executive vice president and director of research. "It provides the last piece in this genetic puzzle because it identifies the specific link between identical but genetically distinct defects in mice. It will also help scientists understand just how defects at a single genetic location can result in deficiencies in otherwise apparently unrelated processes: blood-cell development, fertility and pigmentation."

MGF is one of a group of naturally occurring proteins called colony-stimulating factors. It stimulates the production of a variety of blood cells in the body and may have application in the treatment of conditions such as anemia and bone-marrow failure in which the production of these cells is suppressed.

MGF acts early in the process of blood-cell development before blood cells differentiate and specialize. As a result, MGF affects a wider range of blood cell types than other later-acting growth factors that may affect only a single blood cell type. For this reason, Immunex scientists believe MGF could eliminate the need to administer a number of specifically targeted factors for certain therapeutic applications.

For many years, scientists had suspected the existence of MGF but were unable to isolate the factor itself or to clone the gene encoding it. Defects in the MGF gene were thought to be responsible for defects that are identical to defects caused by an entirely different gene, known as "c-kit." Immunex scientists demonstrated that the relationship between the two genes was one of ligand and receptor: the "c-kit" gene encodes a receptor for MGF -- that is, it has a site specifically designed to bind with a matching site on the MGF molecule.

Immunex is a leading biotechnology firm focused on the research, development, marketing and manufacture of immunological therapeutic products.

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VAN NUYS, CA (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Electro Rent Corp. (NASDAQ: ELRC) today authorized management to purchase from time to time on the open market, or through negotiated purchases, up to 500,000 shares of the company's common stock. There are currently 4,192,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

The shares acquired will become authorized, but unissued shares. The funds required for the stock purchases will be provided out of working capital and bank borrowings. No time limit was set for the completion of the program.

Electro Rent Corp. is one of the largest nationwide organizations devoted to the short-term rental and leasing of general purpose and telecommunications electronic test equipment, personal computers and engineering workstations.

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CHARLOTTE, MICH. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Spartan Motors, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SPAR), said preliminary Sept. 30, 1990, results indicate nine-month revenues of in excess of $39 million, up 45 percent from last year's nine-month revenues of $26,874,000. Of this, the third quarter represented approximately $13,800,000, a 70-percent increase over last year's third-quarter revenues of $8,110,000.

George W. Sztykiel, president, said these gains came in both the company's fire truck and motorhome chassis manufacturing operations.

According to Sztykiel, new orders and deliveries in both product areas continue at levels well above last year's; so far the company has delivered 591 fire truck, motorhome and specialty chassis, up from 391 a year ago.

There are more than adequate backlogs to assure the company of reaching its 1990 objective of $50 million in revenues, up from its prior record of $36 million last year.

Sztykiel pointed out that the company in 1990 was very successful with its new product introductions, scoring major successes with the industry's first fully enclosed fire truck cab as well as with its entry into additional custom

motorhome chassis markets.

Spartan Motors, Inc. is the leading manufacturer of custom designed fire truck chassis, motorhome chassis and other specialty and emergency vehicle chassis.

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#90278p1809 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Nutmeg Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: NUTM), today authorized the repurchase from time to time in the open market of up to one million shares of the company's outstanding common stock. The board set a $4 million limit on this repurchase program. Nutmeg common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol NUTM.

Richard E. Jacobson, chairman and chief executive officer, said the company believes the shares are "significantly undervalued" and are an attractive investment. He said the stock repurchase would be funded through existing credit lines.

Nutmeg Industries designs, manufactures and markets high-quality sportswear generally bearing the insignias, names, colors, cartoon characters or other identifying symbols that various organizations have authorized the company to use. Nutmeg distributes its sportswear products to department and sporting-goods stores and specialty retailers under the "Nutmeg Mills" label; to mass merchants and chain stores under the "Saturday's Hero" label through a joint venture controlled by Nutmeg; and to the retail, advertising specialty, premium, career apparel and sporting-goods markets through McBriar Sportswear and B-P Knitwear.

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#90278p1817 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARSIPPANY, NJ (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - ADT, the world leader in electronic security protection and vehicle auction services, sponsored a Royal Gala Evening last night in the presence of Her Royal Highness The Princess of Wales. It is estimated that the event, held at the Department Auditorium in Washington D.C., will contribute in excess of $300,000 for the benefit of three charities - London City Ballet, the Washington Ballet, and Grandma's House, a charity for babies and young children suffering from AIDS and other drug-related problems.

Michael A. Ashcroft, chairman and president of ADT, said, "The proceeds from last evening will support the continued development of two young and talented dance companies whose performances bring pleasure to audiences on both sides of the Atlantic. In addition these contributions to Grandma's house will make possible their ongoing effort to care for innocent victims of a terrible disease."

Ashcroft added, "ADT was pleased to sponsor this event and we are grateful to all those whose contributions will help to enrich the lives of so many."

The Gala was attended by over 250 people and included a reception, dinner, performance by Soprano Wilhelmenia Fernandez, and dancing.

Sponsorship of the Royal Gala is the latest charitable initiative of Michael Ashcroft and ADT. The company and its chairman provide a wide range of services to communities in which they do business, including working with local officials in the U.S. and the UK on crime prevention. ADT is sponsor of the London Marathon which has raised $90 million for charity in the last decade. Ashcroft, in addition to being honorary president of London City Ballet and a patron of the arts, is chairman of Action on Addiction, a UK charity working to establish a national addiction center to deal with the problems of addiction to any mind- influencing chemical.

ADT is the world's leading provider of electronic security protection and vehicle auction services, with 75 percent of its sales in the U.S., and with operations throughout North America, the UK and continental Europe. Established in Baltimore in 1874 as the American District Telegraph Company, ADT Security Systems is headquartered in Parsippany, N.J., and provides service to more than 500,000 commercial and residential customers worldwide, including more than 380 of the Fortune 500 companies. ADT's vehicle auctions businesses in the U.S. (headquartered in Nashville) and the UK manage the annual disposal of over one million vehicles.

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GOLDEN, CO (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - For seven-year-old Steven Kusalo, going to the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta this weekend is a dream come true.

Through the efforts of Coors Brewing Co., Continental Airlines and The Brass Ring Society, Steven, who suffers from cystic fibrosis, and his family will spend three days enjoying the splendor of the world's premier hot air balloon event. If he gets his courage up, Steven might even take a ride in one of the beautiful balloons that will fill the skies during the nine-day festival that starts today.

"Sharing the gift of happiness with a child who suffers from a serious illness is what it's all about," said Ray Esposito, president and founder of The Brass Ring Society. Based in Ottawa, Kan., The Brass Ring Society is a national non-profit organization that fulfills dreams for children with life-threatening illnesses. "By caring, Coors and Continental Airlines are giving Steven the opportunity to experience things he's only dreamed about before."

This "dream" weekend has been provided to the Kusalo family courtesy of Continental Airlines; Coors Brewing Co.; Joe G. Maloof & Co., Coors' beer distributor in Albuquerque; Ramada Classic Hotel and Thrifty Rental Cars. Special thanks also to John Rhodes, Cost Plus Imports of Albuquerque.

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GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Gantos, Inc. (NASDAQ: GTOS) today announced that it will implement a number of cost- control measures including the elimination of certain staff positions, the layoff of some personnel, and budget cuts at its corporate headquarters in Grand Rapids. The company also indicated that it will realign some of the responsible of senior management.

The measures are being taken in light of the company's previously announced plans to scale back its expansion in 1991 and in response to the difficult retail environment that has had an adverse effect on its recent financial performance. Budget and manpower reductions will occur across all organizational areas.

A total of 79 persons at all levels will be affected by the staff reductions and layoffs at corporate headquarters. Management personnel involved in the reductions will be provided with access to outplacement services. Gantos employs over 700 persons in the Grand Rapids area and has approximately 5,000 employees nationwide.

Additionally, Gantos announced that changes in the company's organizational structure are being made to further streamline its operations and enhance efficiency. Mark S. Bowman, executive vice president, will assume the added responsibility for store operations from Charles Rinehimer who has left Gantos.

Vice President of Human Resources Stephen P. Clark will take over responsibility for the company's purchasing and administrative functions. Jerel Hollens, Gantos vice president of Merchandise Planning and Allocation, will assume control of Gantos Merchandise Distribution Center in Grand Rapids in addition to his other duties.

Commenting on the actions, Gantos President and Chief Executive Officer L. Douglas Gantos said, "These actions were taken after long and thorough consideration. We do not take any pleasure in reducing the staff at our headquarters and we recognize the impact on the individuals involved. However, as managers of a publicly held corporation, our responsibilities to shareholders require that we take the necessary actions to return this company to a more satisfactory level of financial performance, enable Gantos to continue its growth and realize its full long-term potential."

Gantos, Inc. is a leading retailer of quality women's wear. The company currently operates 159 stores in 24 states.

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DETROIT (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Michigan Consolidated Gas Company (MichCon) Board of Directors today declared a quarterly dividend of $.5125 per share on the MichCon's Cumulative Preferred Stock, $2.05 Series. The dividend is payable Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 19, 1990.

MichCon, a wholly owned subsidiary of MCN Corporation (NYSE: MCN), is a natural gas distribution, storage and transmission company serving more than 1 million customers residing in more than 465 communities throughout Michigan.

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Robotic Vision Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROBV), a leading manufacturer of machine vision-based automated inspection and measurement products for improved manufacturing productivity and quality control, announced today orders for two of its new products: The 3-D Surface Mapper high-speed non-contact measurement and inspection system; and a new semiconductor inspection product using the company's HR-2000 system, which was originally introduced in 1989 for printed circuit board solder joint inspection.

The new application of the HR-2000 for the semiconductor industry addresses a significant quality control problem common throughout the industry. VLSI Technology, Inc. will receive the first HR-2000 unit sold by RVSI to the semiconductor industry. The company noted that its senior management has considerable experience as suppliers to the world- wide semiconductor industry providing RVSI with an understanding of the needs and characteristics of that market.

RVSI also announced the sale of a 3-D Surface Mapper to an undisclosed international organization. The 3-D Surface Mapper is an recent product introduction expected to emerge as a challenger to the $500 million Coordinate Measurement Machine (CMM) market. Traditional CMMs, used for inspection and quality control purposes, utilize contact probes to acquire measurements at rates of less than ten points per second. The RVSI 3-D Surface Mapper uses the company's advanced laser scanning technique to acquire up to 14,400 points per second, improving customer product quality and manufacturing productivity by providing superior quality control knowledge is significantly less time.

Robotic Vision Systems, Inc. designs, develops, manufactures and markets advanced three-dimensional vision-based inspection and measurement products for industrial and military purposes.

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#90278p1827 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDLAND, MICH. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dow Chemical Company (NYSE: DOW) announced this morning that its wholly owned subsidiary, Destec Energy, Inc., is withdrawing its Initial Public Offering.

Citing poor market conditions, Dow officials -- in consultation with the underwriting group -- said they are withdrawing the public offering until the market improves.

"The Dow Jones industrial average has declined approximately 15 percent since the offering was announced in July, largely due to the Iraq invasion and economic concerns," said Enrique C. Falla, Dow financial vice president.

"Based on the feedback we've had, the Destec offering will be well- received once market conditions improve," he added. "Destec Energy is a valuable business -- to Dow and to future shareholders."

Dow announced an initial public offering of Destec Energy, Inc., in July, saying Destec would issue up to 27.7 percent -- or 17.25 million shares.

Destec Energy, Inc., based in Houston, is a major independent power company that develops, builds and operates facilities that produce and sell electrical and thermal energy, as well as synthetic fuel gas, for use in energy production.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - H.H. Robertson Co. (NYSE: RHH) today announced that a special meeting of shareholders will be held at 10 a.m., Thursday, Nov. 8, at the company's executive offices located at Two Gateway Center in Pittsburgh.

At the special meeting, shareholders will be asked to approve the combination of H.H. Robertson Co. and Ceco Industries Inc., with the merged company to operate under the name of Robertson-Ceco Corp., with its principal offices in Pittsburgh.

Proxy materials have been mailed to H.H. Robertson Co. shareholders of record as of Aug. 17, 1990.

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THOROFARE, N.J. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Checkpoint Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: CHEK) today announced the promotion of Neil D. Austin to vice president/general counsel and secretary.

Previously, he served as general counsel and secretary. Michael E. Smith, previously director of marketing, has been promoted to vice president of marketing.

In making the announcements, Gerald W. Klein, Checkpoint's president and chief operating officer, said, "We have made these changes to better respond to the markets we serve. Both Mr. Austin and Mr. Smith have demonstrated a commitment to excellence in helping the company achieve its objectives and maintain its focus on quality customer service," said Klein.

Austin handles all corporate legal matters including patents, all regulatory compliance issues and filings, and shareholder relations. Previously, he served as managing consultant and attorney, specializing in merger and acquisition transactions, for New York-based Mercer Meidinger Hansen.

A member of the American, Pennsylvania and Chester County Bar Associations, Austin earned his juris doctor at Widener University School of Law, Delaware, and a B.S. in accounting at St. Joseph's University, Pennsylvania.

Smith, as vice president of marketing, will direct and build all of Checkpoint's marketing functions, including advertising and promotion, marketing information and research, training, national accounts development, and product marketing.

Before joining Checkpoint, Smith held various marketing and sales management positions, most recently with Mars Electronics International. He attended Drexel University in Pennsylvania, where he earned a master of science in technical communication, and Lynchburg College, Virginia, where he obtained a B.A.

Checkpoint Systems Inc. is the leading developer and manufacturer of advanced microprocessor radio frequency-based security systems. Using detectable, paper-thin disposable targets that can be deactivated remotely, Checkpoint's Electronic Signatures (R) systems identify items or people in retail, institutional, industrial and commercial applications. A publicly held company, Checkpoint is traded Over-the- Counter.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Xscribe Corp. (NASDAQ: XSCR) announced today that its board of directors has accepted an offer to proceed with Stenograph Corp. (a wholly owned subsidiary of Quixote Corp.) in good faith to negotiate, document and execute a definitive agreement of merger. Under the terms of Stenograph's offer to proceed, Stenograph intends to acquire, through merger, all of the outstanding shares of Xscribe common stock, for cash, for approximately $1.66 million ($0.25 per share). The consummation of the transaction is contingent upon the forgiveness of various liabilities and other concessions by Xscribe's creditors and suppliers, among other things. The proposed merger is subject to Xscribe shareholder approval and any necessary governmental approvals. There can be no assurance that the transaction will be consummated.

Additionally, Xscribe announced that its unaudited preliminary results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, indicated that the company lost approximately $1.4 million on revenues of approximately $3.0 million. This compares to a net loss of $457,000 on revenues of $4.4 million for the comparable quarter of the prior year. The final results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, are not yet available.

Xscribe also announced today that the chairman of its board of directors, Robert F. Mawhinney, has resigned from the board effective immediately. Mawhinney cited personal reasons for his decision. Suren G. Dutia, Xscribe's president and chief executive officer, was elected as the new chairman of the board. Additionally, Xscribe announced that Charles D. Moseley Jr., also a member of the board of directors, resigned from the board in September 1990.

No replacement for Moseley has been elected.

Xscribe Corp. designs and markets a wide variety of high- technology software and hardware products for legal professionals including computer aided transcription systems for court reporters, microcomputer-based systems for litigation support, and real-time captioning systems for the hearing impaired. Stenograph is engaged in similar business activities and is Xscribe's primary competitor.

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RESTON, VA. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Systems Center, Inc. (NYSE: SMX) today disclosed the signing of a binding letter of intent to sell its relational database software business for IBM's SQL/DS to VM Systems Group of Vienna, Va.

The transaction, valued at an estimated $1.2-1.5 million, is scheduled for closing during the fourth quarter of 1990.

On a separate but related note, Systems Center has recently sold the DB2 portion of its relational database business to On-Line Software International, Inc. of Fort Lee, N.J., in a cash transaction valued at approximately $5 million. The two companies jointly announced the transaction earlier today.

Systems Center indicated that these divestitures allow the company to focus upon its core business of network and systems software products. The company has recently announced acquisitions of software products for the UNIX, AS/400 and network management markets.

Systems Center, Inc. develops, markets and supports systems, network and relational database software. The company offers over 50 products, including NET/MASTER for network and systems management; Network DataMover for data transfer among multiple operating environments; VMCENTER II for IBM's VM operating system; and AS/CENTER for IBM's AS/400.

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EAST MILLSTONE, NJ (OCT. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Kenneth H. Harper, president and chief executive officer of Applied Bioscience International Inc. (APBI) (NASDAQ: APBI), today announced the signing of a letter of intent under the terms of which APBI would acquire the assets of the North American bioequivalency testing and clinical research business PharmaKinetics Laboratories, Inc. (PKLB) (NASDAQ: PKLB). The proposed transaction, which

does not include PKLB's German subsidiary or its potential product licensing fees, is subject to completion by APBI of its due diligence review and the execution by the parties of a definitive purchase agreement. The transaction would need to be approved by the boards of directors of both companies and by the shareholders of PKLB. The letter of intent envisages that APBI would make an initial cash payment at closing of $4.8 million, with further contingent payments of $2.0 million over a period of up to five years, and would assume certain specified liabilities associated with the acquired assets.

In the year to June 30, 1990, PKLB reported revenues of $27 million, of which $19 million related to the North American business being purchased by APBI. PKLB also reported a net loss of approximately $3.8 million, of which approximately $2.8 million consisted of certain non- recurring legal and restructuring costs. The operating loss of approximately $1 million for the period, following the previous year's operating profit of $2.8 million, was attributed by PKLB to the down- turn in business coming from the troubled generic drug industry, the subject of various governmental investigations over the past year.

APBI is a broadly based scientific research and development company, providing services under contract to the pharmaceutical, agrochemical, general chemical and food industries. Through its Clinical Science Research subsidiary in the United Kingdom, APBI already provides a range of clinical research services to the pharmaceutical and health-care industries in Europe and Japan. Commenting on the transaction, Dr. Harper stated that he viewed the proposed acquisition as a tremendous opportunity for APBI to extend its clinical activities into the world's largest market for such services. He noted that he had long admired the high level of professionalism displayed by PKLB management and staff and considered their state-of-the-art analytical chemistry laboratory to be outstanding in its field. He emphasized that the new owners would strive to maintain the high standards of service that had characterized PKLB's business in the past.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Milwaukee Burger King(R) customers can now order Coca-Cola with their Whopper(R) sandwiches. Burger King Corporation made the announcement in May 1990 that the Coca Cola Company would become the official soft drink supplier to Burger King(R) restaurants in the USA. The switch is on and now Burger King(R) customers in Milwaukee will be able to order Coca-Cola products including Coca-Cola classic, diet Coke, Sprite and Minute Maid Orange soda in their local Burger King(R) restaurants. All USA Burger King(R) restaurants will be fully converted to Coca-Cola by the end of

October.

"We selected Coca-Cola because of its ability to provide a powerful mix of global brand strength, state-of-the-art technological capabilities and distinctive service," said Barry J. Gibbons, chief executive officer, Burger King Corporation.

To help celebrate that Coca-Cola is now available in Milwaukee Burger King(R) restaurants, Coca-Cola and Burger King are joining Marriott Hotels and Resorts and Northwest Airlines in sponsoring a Milwaukee radio promotion, part of a 40-market radio promotion, "The Real Thing at Burger King Beach Fling." Prizes include tickets via Northwest Airlines to enjoy a Two For Breakfast Weekend at Marriott Hotels and Resorts, dual-cassette AM/FM portable stereos and canvas beach totes filled with sunglasses, frisbees, towels, can coolers, Whopper(R) cards and certificates for free Coca-Cola classic.

Burger King Corporation was acquired by Grand Metropolitan in January 1989. One of the United Kingdom's largest international companies, Grand Metropolitan is a world leader in the food, drinks, and retailing businesses. U.S. subsidiaries also include The Pillsbury Company, Alpo Pet Foods, Carillon Importers, Heublein, Inc., The Paddington Corporation, and Pearle, Inc. Burger King Corporation and its franchisees operate more than 6,000 restaurants in 36 countries worldwide. In Fiscal Year 1989, the company had systemwide sales of $5.7 billion.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Advanced Magnetics, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADMG) announced today that it has completed several new license agreements and intends to resume clinical trials of its liver contrast agent.

The company also said it has signed an amendment to its original manufacturing and distribution agreement with Eiken Chemical Company, Ltd. of Tokyo covering Advanced Magnetics' Feridex liver contrast agent which is designed for use in magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) of metastatic liver disease. The amendment brings the original agreement into conformity with the more recent agreement between the companies for the manufacturing and distribution of contrast agents in Japan. The amendment resulted in the recognition by Advanced Magnetics of an additional $350,000 in license revenues in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Advanced Magnetics said it intends to resume the human clinical trials of Feridex, its liver contrast agent, in the United States before the end of the month. Clinical trials will now be moving ahead in all three major markets: the U.S., Europe and Japan.

Advanced Magnetics also announced the completion of two new field of use licensing agreements. The company signed an agreement with Ohmicron Corp. of Newtown, Pa., for the use of Advanced Magnetics magnetocluster technology in tests for determining pesticide levels in water, air and food supplies. The company also signed a licensing agreement with Promega Biotech of Madison, Wis., covering the use of Advanced Magnetics technology for specific research products in the molecular biology area. Under the terms of these agreements Advanced Magnetics receives license fees as well as royalties on sales.

Advanced Magnetics is a world leader in the application of colloidal magnetic materials to healthcare. The company is dedicated to the development and manufacture of diagnostic pharmaceuticals for use with magnetic resonance imaging as well as clinical and research products for in vitro testing.

CONTACT: Jerome Goldstein, president of Advanced Magnetics, Inc., 617-497-2070; or Harry Nicolay of The Nicolay Consulting Group, 617-499-1433, for Advanced Magnetics, Inc.

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#90278p1856 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENFIELD, MASS. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - West Mass Bankshares, Inc. (NASDAQ: WMBS) today announced earnings of $224,000 or 18 cents per share and common share equivalents outstanding for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $204,000 or 16 cents per common share and commn share equivalents outstanding for the same period in 1989. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $625,000 or 50 cents per commn share and common share equivalents outstanding compared to $527,000 or 41 cents per common share and common share equivalents for the same period in 1989.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $193,754,000 as compared to $182,882,000 at Dec. 31, 1989. Total net loans increased to $166,048,000 at Sept. 30, 1990 from $152,358,000 at Dec. 31, 1989. Total deposits were $174,732,000 at Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to $161,089,000 at Dec. 31, 1989.

Total stockholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990 was $18,012,000 compared to $17,800,000 at Dec. 31, 1989.

At its most recent meeting, the board of directors of West Mass Bankshares, Inc. voted to declare a dividend of 7 cents per share payable on Nov. 30, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 5, 1990.

CONTACT: Jim Neill of West Mass bankshares, 413-774-3713

-30- 1431

#90278p1858 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MA (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Process Systems Inc. (AMEX: TPI)

announced today that its mobil soil-remediation unit (SRU) has been selected to receive the 1991 New Product Award given by the National Society of Professional Engineers. The award honors new products developed and manufactured in the U.S. that show ingenuity in the use of engineering principles and make a significant contribution to the nation's economy and to the welfare of its citizens.

The SRU employs advanced thermal technologies to clean soils contaminated by gasoline, diesel and jet fuels, heating oils, and other petroleum products from leaking underground storage tanks or spills.

"As we clean up petroleum contamination at an increasing number of sites, both customers and state regulators are realizing the many benefits of our SRU design," says Walter J. Bornhorst, chairman and chief executive officer of Thermo Process Systems. "We are pleased that our technology has now gained national recognition as a viable treatment method."

The award nomination was submitted by the Florida Professional Engineers in Industry, which had chosen the company as the winner of its New Product Award for the state of Florida in April.

Thermo Process Systems designs, manufactures, and sells advanced custom-engineered thermal-processing systems for the incineration of hazardous wastes and the automated heat treating of metal parts. The company also provides services for the on-site remediation of hazardous wastes and petroleum-laden soils, in addition to a comprehensive range of metallurgical processes. Thermo Process Systems is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

CONTACT: John N. Hatsopoulos of Thermo Electron, 617-622-1111.

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#90278p1860 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST AURORA, NY (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Fisher-Price announced today that its Kiddicraft office and factory at Aztec West, Bristol, and its distribution center at Newport, both located in the U.K., will close permanently on Dec. 21. Fisher-Price purchased Kiddicraft -- a U.K. company which manufactures nursery and preschool toys -- at the end of 1989 and is now relocating the company's work to take advantage of Fisher-Price's manufacturing facilities at Peterlee, County Durham, and its sales and marketing division at Wokingham in the U.K.

Adrian Roche, managing director of Kiddicraft, said, "The consolidation of our operations with Fisher-Price at Peterlee makes financial sense for us. The savings made will allow the Kiddicraft brand to spend even more on their vital new-product development in the preschool toy field where we feel further market expansion is possible."

As a result of the move, 154 employees will lose their jobs. Fisher-Price will be assisting these employees in their search for alternative employment.

The charge for the closing of Kiddicraft was taken by Fisher-Price's parent company, The Quaker Oats Co., during its 1990 fiscal year which ended June 30. It was included in Quaker's reserve for discontinued operations. In April, Quaker announced its decision to spin-off Fisher- Price. Fisher-Price expects to become an independent free-standing company that will be publicly traded by early 1991.

CONTACT: Carol Blackley of Fisher-Price, 716-687-3423

-30- 1682

#90278p1861 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MURRAY HILL, NJ (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The BOC Group announced today it has developed a systematic approach to safeguarding against contamination throughout the gas delivery system in semiconductor fabrication -- from storage tank all the way to the point of use. Key elements of that approach were detailed last month in Zurich, Switzerland, at the 10th International Symposium on Contamination Control. The symposium was sponsored by the International Committee of Contamination Control Societies.

The paper was presented by Jeffrey Davidson, general manager of the R&D management department at Osaka Sanso Kogyo Ltd. (OSK), The BOC Group's Japanese gases company. Co-authors include James K. Tseng and A. Ellgren, both of The BOC Group Technical Center at Murray Hill, N.J., and Y. Nakahara, of OSK.

Concentrations of particulate and chemical contaminants in a gas can be affected by the materials, surface finish, fabrication techniques, and component designs used in the gas storage and delivery systems, said Davidson in describing the special test facilities BOC has installed in its Group Technical Center in Murray Hill and in laboratories throughout the company's operating divisions in Europe, the United States and Japan.

These test facilities consist of a purifier gas cabinet that delivers ultrahigh-purity gas. The pure gas passes through a test section that may contain various tubing, valves and other components, followed by an instrument cabinet containing particle counters and trace gas analyzers to assess contamination added in the test section. For example, one of BOC's U.S. test facilities has a unique high-pressure capability allowing testing up to 2000 psig. Likewise, a Japanese facility has analytical capabilities enhanced by an atmospheric pressure ionization mass spectrometer (APIMS) with low part-per-billion to part-per-trillion detection capability.

The BOC Group Technical Center at Murray Hill, N.J., performs research and

development on behalf of Airco Gases, BOC Ltd., Osaka Sanso Kogyo Ltd., and other members of The BOC Group. The BOC Group operates in over 50 countries worldwide and had sales last year of over $4 billion.

Airco Gases is the U.S. gases business of BOC, and is a leading manufacturer and supplier of industrial gases and gas handling technology in the United States. The company's primary gas products include liquid and gaseous nitrogen, oxygen, argon and carbon dioxide, helium, hydrogen and a variety of medical, rare and special gases.

CONTACT: Mary A. Duhon, 908-771-1490 or Martha L. Eckert, 908-771-1491, both of Airco.

-30- 2835

#90278p1862 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

JERICHO, N.Y. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - IMC Magnetics Corp. announced today expansion plans for its Long Island operations. The company will be relocating its executive office presently located in Jericho and its Eastern Division manufacturing facility presently located in Westbury, N.Y. into a new facility in Hauppauge, N.Y. to be constructed by N. Racanelli Associates, a leading Long Island building, construction and development organization. The new facility will become the world headquarters of the company, the center for new product development, as well as the manufacturing center for its specialty motors and airmover business. The company intends to complete the relocation in the fourth quarter of 1991.

According to Anthony J. Puglisi, president of IMC Magnetics Corp., "Our selection of N. Racanelli Associates was based both on the organization's proven track record for high quality construction service and turnkey capabilities. The selection of Hauppauge for our expansion plans represents our commitment to Long Island and the resources which are available on Long Island. We look forward to becoming an integral member of the Hauppauge community and gaining the advantages that this prime location provides."

IMC Magnetics Corp., an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Minebea Co., Ltd., a Japanese corporation, is an international leader in motor technology, airmoving design and power conversion. The company designs, manufactures and sells specialty motors and airmovers, hysteresis synchronous timing motors, hydraulic and pneumatic components, heat dissipators and power supplies. The company also overhauls aircraft components and manufactures, distributes, services and performs maintenance on aircraft propellers.

IMC has nine operating divisions and maintains production and laboratory facilities for product evaluation, customer service, value added engineering and prototype support.

Minebea is engaged in the manufacture of precision ball bearings, rod end and

spherical bearings, electric motors, measuring instruments, disc drives, semi-conductors, electronic calculators, computer keyboards, and mechanical components such as screws, bolts and fittings. Minebea is a world-wide organization with extensive manufacturing facilities in Japan, Singapore, Thailand, Europe and the United States.

CONTACT: Anthony J. Puglisi, IMC Magnetics, 516-938-0800

-30- 2606

#90278p1865 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSING, MI (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Maxco, Inc. (NASDAQ: MAXC) today announced that Richard G. Johns, a member of its executive committee, has been elected to the board of directors.

"Dick Johns has played a key role in strategic planning as well as daily operations of the company," according to Max A. Coon, chairman and president.

Dr. Johns, 45, is vice president of Maxco, Inc. and president of Wright Plastic Products, Inc., a Maxco subsidiary. He joined Maxco when Capital Management Group, Inc., of which he was part owner, was acquired in 1986. He earned a doctorate in inorganic chemistry from Notre Dame University and has done post graduate work at Florida State University.

Dr. Johns replaces L.D. Johns (no relation), who has resigned to pursue other interests.

With approximately $90 million annualized revenue, Maxco distribution businesses include Finishmaster, Inc., which supplies auto paint and accessories. The construction supplies group markets commercial and highway construction materials throughout Michigan, Wisconsin and Indiana. In addition to Wright Plastics, Pak Sak Industries and Akemi Plastic are other Maxco businesses.

CONTACT: Max Coon or Vince Shunsky of Maxco, Inc., 517-484-1414; Dixie Watterson, 708-564-5610, Bruce Marcus, 212-599-2820, Largent Parks, 214-387-4520, Earle Brown, 813-796-1452, or Tim King, 213-541-4415, all of The Investor Relations Company, for Maxco, Inc.

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#90278p1866 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DUNDEE, Mich. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Holnam Inc. (NYSE: HLN) today announced that it has completed a previously agreed upon $100 million sale of 22.2 million newly issued common shares to Holdernam Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Holderbank Financiere Glaris Ltd., at a price of $4.50 per share. Proceeds from the sale, which occurred on Sept. 28, were used for the retirement of existing debt. As a result of this purchase, Holdernam now owns

89.3 percent of the outstanding Holnam common shares.

Holnam is a leading producer of cement in the United States and Canada, and a subsidiary of Holderbank Financiere Glaris Ltd., of Switzerland, one of the world's largest manufacturers of cement and other building materials.

CONTACT: Richard L. Smith Jr., or M. Jeffrey Gittelman, vice president and treasurer, of Holnam, 313-529-2411.

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#90278p1870 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Pentair, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: PNTA), the St. Paul-based manufacturer of industrial products and paper, declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 22 cents per share payable Nov. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 26, 1990.

Pentair, Inc. is a St. Paul, Minn.-based company comprised of 10 businesses which manufacture woodworking equipment, electric power tools, sporting ammunition, electrical enclosures, automotive service equipment, industrial lubrication systems, material dispensing equipment, pumps and paper. Pentair common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol: PNTA.

CONTACT: Mark Cain of Pentair, 612-636-7920

-30- 919
#90278p1876 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Cherne Medical, Inc. (NASDAQ: CHNE), today announced that Cardiac Consultants Medical Group has signed a licensing agreement for use of the Cherne System, a new cardiac diagnostic instrument, in its Walnut Creek, Calif., office.

Dr. Mark Nathan, senior partner of Cardiac Consultants, said the Cherne System will be used to diagnose coronary artery disease in patients who cannot take a stress test as well as for non-invasive evaluation of low-level cardiac disease.

"This is the second commercial installation of a Cherne System and the first installation of a Cherne System in the San Francisco Bay Area," said David L. Printy, chairman of Cherne Medical. "We believe other clinics and hospitals will take an interest in the Cherne System as its effectiveness as a screening tool for cardiovascular disease becomes apparent."

Cardiac Consultants Medical Group, founded in 1982, has five physicians and provides comprehensive cardiovascular services. Last year, Cardiac Consultants had approximately 17,000 patient contact and performed

approximately 300 cardiac catheterizations and 120 angioplasties. The organization has offices in Danville, Walnut Creek and San Ramon, Calif.

Cherne Medical, Inc., based in Minneapolis, manufactures and markets the Cherne System, a new, non-invasive, stress-free heart diagnostic instrument capable of identifying coronary heart disease even when no symptoms are present. The company's common stock is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol CHNE.

CONTACT: David L. Printy of Cherne Medical, 612-933-2838

-30- 1811

#90278p1880 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Lucas Aerospace announced at the National Business Aircraft Association (NBAA) Trade Show that Richard Mugg has been named director of engineering for Lucas Weinschel Inc., Gaithersburg, Md.

In this capacity Mugg will be responsible for direction of all components and instrumentation engineering, including design and development.

Not new to the company, Mugg served as manager of electronic engineering at Weinschel from 1981 to 1987. More recently, Mugg was director of engineering with Rohde & Schwartz, where he was responsible for organization and direction of all analog development work, and technical support for microprocessor-based audio and microwave generators, and klystron generators. Prior to joining Weinschel in 1981, Mugg was an executive engineer with the British Post Office THQ.

Mugg graduated from the Imperial College of Science & Technology, University of London, in 1970, with a bachelor of science degree in engineering with first class honors.

He and his wife Ruth reside with their four sons in Gaithersburg. Lucas Weinschel employs 145 people and is an operating unit of Lucas Aerospace Inc., Communications & Electronics Division, Hopkinton, Mass. The division designs and manufactures microwave components as well as test and calibration instrumentation.

With annual sales approaching half a billion dollars, Lucas Aerospace's North American presence now involves more than 4,300 employees, based in 16 operating locations in the United States and Canada. Lucas Aerospace Ltd., with 12,000 employees and sales of $1 billion, has operations in North America the United Kingdom and France, and marketing facilities in many other countries. Lucas Industries plc, with more than 56,000 employees and revenues of more than $3.5 billion, has international interests in aerospace, automotive and industrial markets throughout the world.

CONTACT: Renate H. Zelko, 703-264-1704; or Bob Moulton, 703-620-0141, or 202-429-6835, both for Lucas Aerospace

-30- 2221

#90278p1882 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The trustees of BRNF Liquidating Trust today declared the thirty-fourth trust liquidating distribution in the amount of $3 per unit, payable Nov. 2, 1990, to the Series A, B and C certificate holders of record at the close of business Oct. 19.

CONTACT: Bruce L. Bisson of BRNF Liquidating Trust, 302-651-8584.

-30- 508

#90278p1883 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTON, MA (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Health and Rehabilitation Properties Trust (NYSE: HRP) today announced that it has declared a dividend of 29 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The dividend of 29 cents per share will be paid to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 15, 1990 and will be distributed on or about Nov. 27, 1990.

Mark J. Finkelstein, president and CEO, stated that the 29 cents per share is being paid with respect to the financial results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 which is equal to the dividend that was paid with respect to the results for the quarter ended June 30, 1990. Management has chosen to continue to retain any excess cash flow available from operations to increase the company's cash reserves for future operations. Approximately 25 percent of the September quarter dividend is a tax-deferred return of capital. The exact percentage is determined on an annual basis which will be calculated at year-end.

Health and Rehabilitation Properties Trust is a real estate investment headquartered in Newton, Mass. HRP has investments of $228 million in 22 health care related real estate properties located in 12 states and operated by five separate operating companies.

CONTACT: Mark J. Finkelstein, president, or David J. Hegarty, treasurer, both of HRPT, 617-332-3990

-30- 1546

#90278p1897 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANDREWS, SC (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Phoenix Medical Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: PHNX) today announced that it had entered into a letter of intent with QRP, Inc., a California corporation which is an acknowledged leader in special

products for Electronics, Bioscience, Pharmaceutical, Precision Clean and Aerospace Industries. The letter of intent provides for the sale by Phoenix to QRP, Inc. of 2,000,000 shares of Phoenix's common stock at a price of $1.10 per share, which will represent slightly more than 50 percent of the then outstanding common stock. It is contemplated that the transaction will occur in two steps. The first step will be a sale of 491,500 shares to QRP, Inc. for $540,650 to be closed upon completion of a share purchase agreement. At that time, the letter of intent provides that QRP, Inc. will participate in the day to day management control of Phoenix and have two representatives on the Phoenix Board of Directors. The second step, which is the sale of the remaining 1,508,500 shares for $1,659,350, would be completed after successful negotiation of final agreements and the completion of QRP, Inc.'s due diligence and the obtaining of any necessary approvals, including approval of Phoenix's bank. Upon completion of the second closing, QRP, Inc. would appoint a majority of the Phoenix Board of Directors. There can be no assurance that such a transaction will take place.

Phoenix had announced on August 8, 1990 a letter of intent with MBf International Limited, a Hong Kong corporation. Phoenix has discontinued negotiations with MBf International Limited.

CONTACT: Edward W. Gallaher, Sr. President and Chief Executive Officer of Phoenix Medical Technology, Inc., 803-221-5100

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#90278p1898 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Lucas Aerospace announced at the National Business Aircraft Association (NBAA) Trade Show that Lucas Aerospace Power Transmission Corporation, Utica, N.Y., has developed and qualified a new solid-state sequential timer for its pneumatic deicing systems product line.

This improved timer, Lucas Model 42E25-1A will replace currently used electro-mechanical timers that have a limited life span and are far more expensive to manufacture.

The solid-state timer's function is to control pneumatic deicer boot inflation/deflation. Wing leading edge, empennage and/or engine inlet airfoils are deiced by periodic boot inflation. The timer energizes and de-energizes distributor valve solenoids in a predetermined timing sequence, which may be selected to meet the deicing requirements of a particular aircraft type and model.

At .75 lbs., the timer is very lightweight and has an eight load circuit capacity, two more than the Bendix/Lucas units it replaces. All or any number of lead circuits can be utilized.

The design characteristics of the external envelope, mounting provisions and

circuit performance have been maintained so the new timer is physically and functionally interchangeable with existing Bendix and Lucas units. This was done to facilitate forward fit in current production aircraft and retrofit in operational aircraft.

With annual sales approaching half a billion dollars, Lucas Aerospace's North American presence now involves more than 4,300 employees, based in 16 operating locations in the United States and Canada. Lucas Aerospace Ltd., with 12,000 employees and sales of $1 billion, has operations in North America the United Kingdom and France, and marketing facilities in many other countries. Lucas Industries plc, with more than 56,000 employees and revenues of more than $3.5 billion, has international interests in aerospace, automotive and industrial markets throughout the world.

CONTACT: Renate H. Zelko, 703-264-1704, or Bob Moulton, 703-620-0141, or 202-429-6835, both for Lucas Aerospace, Inc.

-30- 2290

#90278p1900 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Lucas Aerospace Ltd. announced at the National Business Aircraft Association (NBAA) Trade Show that Pracheesh Mathur has been appointed director, Asia-Pacific.

Mathur will assume responsibility for business development, manufacturing operations, joint ventures, regional engineers and agencies in the Asia-Pacific region. His role will be to develop strategies to exploit opportunities for business growth. He will report to the Lucas Aerospace International marketing director, Craig H. Muhlhauser.

Mathur joins Lucas from General Electric Aircraft Engines, where he held a number of positions including that of program manager, manager customer support and technical posts in metal processing and manufacturing technologies. He was also responsible for the construction, equipping and commissioning of a large jet engine test and repair facility.

Mathur holds a degree in metallurgical engineering and a doctorate in metallurgy and materials science from M.I.T.

Muhlhauser said, "I am confident that Pracheesh will play a key role in developing our business interests in this strategically important region."

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has international interests in aerospace, automotive and industrial markets throughout the world.

CONTACT: Renate H. Zelko, 703-264-1704, or Bob Moulton, 703-620-0141 or 202-429-6835, both for Lucas Aerospace

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#90278p1903 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Global Utilities, Inc. (AMEX: TGU) today announced its monthly dividend from net investment income of $0.06 per share payable Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 17, 1990.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Mistele, secretary of Templeton Global Utilities, Inc., 800-237-0738

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#90278p1904 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Global Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: GIM) today announced a monthly dividend from net investment income of $0.075 per share payable Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 17, 1990.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Mistele, secretary of Templeton Global Income Fund, Inc., 800-237-0738

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#90278p1906 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Tuboscope Corp. (NASDAQ: TUBO) today announced the election of Martin R. Reid as its chairman of the board. Reid replaces Timothy M. Pennington III of Brentwood Associates who will remain as a director of the company and chairman of its executive committee. Robert A. Lahr, Tuboscope president and CEO, will remain in that position.

Reid has extensive experience in the oil service industry, having served as vice chairman and chief executive officer of Eastman Christensen, the leading worldwide provider of directional and horizontal drilling systems to the oil and gas industry. Reid is credited with creating Eastman Christensen from the combination of Eastman Whipstock and Norton Christensen and was responsible for transforming the company into a rapidly growing market leader. He resigned from Eastman Christensen in June shortly after completing its sale to Baker Hughes Inc. in April 1990.

Reid will take an active role in the implementation of Tuboscope's long-term growth strategy.

"Funds from the initial public offering in March allowed Tuboscope to substantially reduce its debt," Pennington said. "With a much improved balance sheet and a brighter outlook for oil service companies, Tuboscope can now place more emphasis on its long-term growth plans. We are very pleased with the addition of such an outstanding industry executive to lead our board."

Headquartered in Houston, Texas, Tuboscope provides specialized services and products to the oil and gas industry worldwide. The company provides inspection and coating services for oil country tubular goods (drill pipe, casing, and tubing), sells tubular connections, provides in-place inspection of oil and gas pipelines, and sells and leases inspection equipment to manufacturers of tubulars. The company designs and manufactures its proprietary inspection and coating equipment and formulates and manufactures its own internal coatings.

The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol TUBO.

CONTACT: Gilbert Y. Marchand of Tuboscope Corp., 713-799-5100.

-30- 2310

#90278p1908 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Quixote Corp. (NASDAQ: QUIX) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Stenograph Corp., plans to acquire Xscribe Corp. (NASDAQ: XSCR) for $.25 per share or approximately $1.66 million. Quixote said the acquisition is subject to the satisfactory resolution of several contingencies and must be approved by the board of directors of both Stenograph Corp. and Quixote Corp., but is otherwise expected to be closed by the end of November. There is no assurance that the transaction will be completed. Xscribe Corp. is based in San Diego, Calif., and is a developer of software products for the court reporting and legal markets.

Stenograph Corp., headquartered in Mount Prospect, Ill., is the world's leading manufacturer of shorthand machines and computer systems for the court reporting profession. Quixote Corp., a diversified technology company, is also composed of Energy Absorption Systems, Inc., the world's leading manufacturer of a wide range of highway crash cushions, devices that save lives on the world's highways; Disc Manufacturing Inc., one of the largest manufacturers of compact discs (CDs), videodiscs and CD-ROMs in the United States; and Source Scientific Systems, Inc., a leading manufacturer of automated diagnostic equipment for the biotechnology industry. Quixote Corp. is also a founding shareholder of Neophore Technologies Inc., which is developing a unique, patented approach to providing an advanced drug delivery system.

CONTACT: Myron R. Shain or M. Melissa Quinn of Quixote, 312-467-6755

-30- 1738
#90278p1910 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Lucas Aerospace announced at the National Business Aircraft Association (NBAA) Trade Show that Lucas Avitron, Stamford, Conn., has been named by Airworthy Ltd. of West Sussex, England, to be the exclusive distributor of its ZOK 27 product.

The agreement authorizes Lucas Avitron to market and distribute ZOK 27 in North America, South America, Italy, Israel, Switzerland, Soviet Union, China (PRC), New Zealand, Austria, Greece, East Germany, Hungary Poland, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia.

ZOK 27 is a biodegradable, neutral aqueous-based detergent cleaner used for cleaning and corrosion inhibition of gas turbine engine compressors. It has applications on aircraft, marine vehicles, as well as off-shore oil and gas industry and power stations.

"We are very excited about this agreement with Airworthy, as it opens up new markets for our company," said Chuck Corradi, general manager of Lucas Avitron. "It's a real plus that ZOK 27 is a high quality product with a devoted clientele."

The combined cleaner/corrosion inhibitor in ZOK 27 eliminates the need for dewatering fluids to fight short-term corrosion and fully complies with MOD specifications TS 10268A.

Originally developed for use on Royal Air Force helicopter engines, ZOK 27 is approved for use by the following engine manufacturers: Allison, Avco Lycoming GE, Pratt & Whitney, Rolls-Royce and Turbomeca, among others.

The product is currently in use by the military on the Huey, Herc and Sea King helicopters, and Tornado aircraft.

Lucas Avitron is a sales, marketing and distribution company that represents Ohio-based Lucas Aerospace Power Equipment Corporation, with whom Avitron also participates in selecting, supplying and monitoring a worldwide authorized service center network currently in 14 U.S. and 23 internatinal units. Avitron has field offices in London, Rome, Munich and Singapore. Lucas Avitron also represents Crane Lear Romec Corp., Elyria, Ohio.

With annual sales approaching half a billion dollars, Lucas Aerospace's North American presence now involves more than 4,300 employees, based in 16 operating locations in the United States and Canada. Lucas Aerospace Ltd., with 12,000 employees and sales of $1 billion, has operations in North America the United Kingdom and France, and marketing facilities in many other countries. Lucas Industries plc, with more than 56,000 employees and revenues of more than $3.5 billion, has international interests in aerospace,

automotive and industrial markets throughout the world.

CONTACT: Renate H. Zelko, 703-264-1704, or Bob Moulton, 703-620-0141 or 202-429-6835, both for Lucas Aerospace

-30- 2887

#90278p1915 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boeing Co. (NYSE: BA) announced today that it has been listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

Frank Shrontz, Boeing chairman and chief executive officer, met with representatives of the Japanese financial community in Tokyo today to mark the listing and said, "Boeing is extremely honored to be listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. We have a long and valued relationship with the people of Japan, and Japanese air carriers are our largest overseas customers for our commercial airplanes.

"The listing will improve our long-standing ties with the Japanese investment community by allowing us to better support and service private and institutional Japanese investors."

He noted that Japanese companies are also suppliers for existing Boeing commercial airplane programs and they will continue their participation when the proposed new 777 airplane program is launched.

Airlines in Japan have ordered a total of 314 Boeing commercial airplanes of which 235 have been delivered to date.

Japan Airlines has ordered 104 Boeing 747s making it the largest 747 customer, and All Nippon Airways is the largest 767 non-U.S. customer, having ordered 50 to date.

Boeing forecasts the Japanese airplane market between 1990 and 2005 to be more than $35 billion.

Boeing is currently listed on the New York, London, Amsterdam, Zurich and Basle (Switzerland) stock exchanges.

CONTACT: Paul Binder of The Boeing Co., 206-655-6123.

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#90278p1917 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - E-Systems (NYSE: ESY) announced today plans to relocate portions of its Washington area-based Melpar Division to University Center in Loudoun County, Va., northern Virginia's first master-planned corporate community with a major graduate university as the hub.

The focal point of the University Center project will be George Washington University's new 50-acre northern Virginia graduate campus and research center now being built on the site bordered on the north by the Potomac River and five miles from Dulles International Airport.

E-Systems will relocate occupants of it's Fairfax County operations into a 210,000-square-foot facility in late 1992.

"This move exemplifies a high technology-oriented company benefiting from proximity to a major graduate-level university. We expect this co- location to be a major plus for our employees, our technology development and the George Washington University," said Talbot Huff, vice president and general manager of E-Systems Melpar Division.

The Melpar Division, headquartered in Falls Church, Va., specializes in airborne remotely controlled reconnaissance systems and receivers, airborne and ground-based electronic collection systems, automated signal processing systems and unmanned vehicle systems. Approximately 2,300 people are currently employed in the two Virginia facilities.

E-Systems is a major worldwide developer and producer of electronic systems and products in the areas of intelligence, reconnaissance and surveillance systems, command and control, electronic warfare, specialized aircraft maintenance and modification, guidance, navigation and control, communications and data systems.

CONTACT: John E. Kumpf of E-Systems, 214-661-1000.

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ROCKVILLE, MD (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - CTA Inc.'s Simulation Systems Division, located in Englewood, Colo., wins competition for the AH-1S Cobra Flight and Weapon Simulator upgrade.

CTA is to deliver a total of nine AH-1S upgrade systems. For this upgrade, CTA will replace the existing simulation software and the host computer for a six degree of freedom, full visual, synthetic flight training simulator. The existing assembly language software will be replaced with Ada design software hosted on new state-of-the-art computer systems.

CONTACT: Sam Ginder of CTA Inc., 301-816-1234 or -1200.

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HONOLULU (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - First Nationwide Bank, which today closes the

sale of its 19 retail branches to American Savings, reaffirmed its commitment to continue to be a leading source of real estate lending here.

First Nationwide, with a staff of 20 in its Hawaii loan operation, provided more than $202.3 million in one-to-four unit residential property loans here in 1989, ranking it tenth among all Hawaii financial institutions in residential loans, and second or third among all savings and loans on the Islands every month for the last three years.

First Nationwide, a wholly owned subsidiary of Ford Motor Corp., began operations in Hawaii on April 15, 1985, when it acquired the local operations of State Savings and Loan of Utah. At the time, the 19 Hawaii branches represented more than $317 million in assets.

Hawaii lending operations are headed by Leatrice Kauahi, vice president and district sales manager. Loan agents are David Law, Bruce Wong, Richard Miller Ronalee MacQueen, and Joni Henderson. The office is at Pacific Tower, 1001 Bishop St., Suite 1430, Honolulu, HI 96813.

CONTACT: Dan Brigham of First Nationwide Bank, 415-772-1469.

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NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Lucas Aerospace announced at the National Business Aircraft Association (NBAA) Trade Show plans to open a new engineering center in the United States to provide additional systems design and engineering resources for the company's expanding engine management systems business.

In addition, the center will provide hydromechanical and mechanical fuel systems support to its growing U.S. customer base.

Operation of the new facility is expected to begin in early 1991 with full staffing to occur over the next 12 to 18 months. Initial staffing is expected at a minimum of 40 systems design and engineering personnel. Exact location of the new facility has not yet been determined, but the company anticipates locating the facility in the Northeast.

"The new engineering center will play a vital role in launching Lucas into new business opportunities and enhancing existing customer relations," said Tony Edwards, Lucas Aerospace managing director. "The center also will strengthen Lucas' efforts in engine management systems in support of U.S.-based aircraft engine manufacturers."

Lucas' experience in the design and manufacture of engine management systems ranges from small, low-cost integrated fuel systems to Full Analog Digital Electronic Control (FADEC)-based fuel systems for advanced civil and military

engines.

Used on both fixed- and rotary-wing aircraft, Lucas electronic control systems are on the Allison T406 engine of the V-22 Tiltrotor as well as the Rolls-Royce RB211 engines on the latest Boeing 747s and 767s.

A world leader in pump technology, Lucas also produces fuel metering interfaces for the latest FADEC systems on both fixed- and rotary-wing aircraft. Already on the IAE V2500 and the Allison T406 these systems offer precision and reliability not previously available.

With annual sales approaching half a billion dollars, Lucas Aerospace's North American presence now involves more than 4,300 employees, based in 16 operating locations in the United States and Canada. Lucas Aerospace Ltd., with 12,000 employees and sales of $1 billion, has operations in North America the United Kingdom and France, and marketing facilities in many other countries. Lucas Industries plc, with more than 56,000 employees and revenues of more than $3.5 billion, has international interests in aerospace, automotive and industrial markets throughout the world.

CONTACT: Renate H. Zelko, 703-264-1704, or Bob Moulton, 703-620-0141, or 202-429-6835, both for Lucas Aerospace, Inc.

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#90278p1930 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Conde Nast Publications and Time Distribution Services (TDS) have reached an agreement whereby TDS will provide retail sales and merchandising services for a number of Conde Nast magazines, the two companies announced today.

TDS, a joint venture between affiliates of The Time Inc. Magazine Company and The New York Times Company, acts as the retail distribution and marketing arm

for both companies. TDS distributes 27 titles including People, Time, Sports Illustrated, Family Circle and McCalls. These publications are sold in over 150,000 retail outlets such as supermarket, drugstore and convenience store chains around the country.

Conde Nast Publications, Inc., long a leader in the field of consumer magazine publishing, currently publishes 13 magazines.

According to today's announcement, TDS in coordination with Conde Nast, will be responsible for establishing, maintaining and improving the checkout display positions of such Conde Nast titles as Glamour, Vogue, Mademoiselle, Self, Gourmet, GQ and Vanity Fair. TDS will also provide point-of-purchase merchandising support in thousands of retail outlets on a regular basis.

In making the announcement, Lawrence J. Gunn, president of TDS, said, "This agreement creates a mutually beneficial alliance which will not only serve the needs of these quality publications, but should generate additional sales through retail outlets."

Peter Armour, Conde Nast vice president/circulation director, said, "We are proud of Conde Nast's association with Time Distribution Services, whose resources and experience will assist us in bringing our retail customers the very finest in services for the Conde Nast family of highly profitable magazines."

CONTACT: Eileen Roper Ast of Conde Nast Publications, 212-880-6601, or Peter Costiglio of Time Distribution Services, 212-522-3927.

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#90278p1936 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DRYDEN, MI (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Champion Enterprises, Inc. (AMEX: CHB) announced today plans for an odd-lot repurchase program to be made to holders of fewer than 100 shares of Champion Enterprises Common Stock. Beneficial holders and holders of record as of the close of business on Sept. 21, 1990, will be eligible to participate in the offer.

Participating shareholders will be paid the average of the closing market prices for Champion Enterprises Common Stock on the American Stock Exchange for trading dates Oct. 5, 1990, through Nov. 9, 1990, inclusive. No brokerage fees or transfer taxes will be charged.

The repurchase is a voluntary program which will expire on Nov. 9, 1990. Brokers, banks and other nominees can obtain copies of the offering materials without charge after Oct. 5, 1990, by contacting Shareholder Communications Corporation, 40 Exchange Place, New York, NY 10005 (800-678-9606).

The company said the purpose of the offer is to make it easier and less costly

for these small shareholders to sell their stock. It will also reduce the company's expense connected with handling small accounts.

Champion Enterprises, Inc., headquartered in Dryden, is a holding company whose principal subsidiaries are leading producers of manufactured homes, motor homes and medium-duty buses.

Champion Enterprises, Inc. Common Stock is listed on the American, Midwest and Pacific stock exchanges (Ticker symbol: CHB ... listed in newspapers as ChampEnt or ChampEn).

CONTACT: Gerald W. Paga of Champion Enterprises, Inc., 313-796-2211.

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#90278p1937 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANTON, Ohio (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashland Oil Inc. (NYSE: ASH) today announced it will continue its commitment of supporting quality education through a new advertising campaign that stresses the importance of business-education partnerships in Ohio.

Mac Zachem, Ashland Oil's senior vice president for external affairs, unveiled the new campaign during an address to the Canton Rotary today. Zachem also announced that Ashland Oil will promote Ohio's Commission on Education Improvement as the resource businesses can contact for assistance in establishing education alliances.

"We were very pleased to learn that the commission met yesterday afternoon to discuss and approve our request that the commission serve as Ohio's central clearinghouse for businesses interested in forming partnerships with schools," Zachem said. "We believe that jointly we can encourage more businesses to become involved with education."

Zachem said companies interested in forming partnerships should contact the commission, which will be highlighted or featured in Ashland Oil's new print advertising.

The commission was established in 1989 as part of the state's education reform legislation, which created programs designed to both inspire public confidence in Ohio schools and promote a spirit of excellence among students and teachers. Its board of directors consists of members of the state House and Senate, Gov. Richard F. Celeste and a representative of the State Board of Education.

With a campaign theme of "Better education is the bottom line," Zachem said the campaign will stress the importance of business involvement in education in Ohio.

"We know that Stark County is a leader in the state when it comes to business-education partnerships. In fact, there are many examples of successful alliances in the Canton-Akron area involving scholarships, apprenticeships and computer science centers," Zachem said. "We applaud these initiatives and hope that our new campaign's message about the importance of business involvement in education will be the catalyst needed for the formation of more such partnerships statewide, which we believe is vital to the future of Ohio."

According to Michael Billirakis, Ohio Education Association (OEA) vice president, "The OEA salutes Ashland Oil for its continuing efforts to support and advance education.

"As a major corporation, Ashland clearly recognizes the need to work in partnership with teachers and other education employees. Business and education partnerships offer a positive means of strengthening and improving education. The 102,000 members of the OEA are proud to work with Ashland Oil and its employees in this important program," Billirakis said.

Ashland Oil's campaign, which begins today, includes television, radio and print advertisements. This is the eighth consecutive year Ashland Oil has focused its corporate regional advertising campaign on quality education.

The campaign will include a number of other education programs sponsored by the corporation. Ashland Oil again will award $25,000 in Teacher Achievement Awards to 10 Ohio teachers for their teaching excellence. The company also intends to add to its "Recipes for Self-Esteem" program distributed statewide last year. "Recipes" is a teaching aid designed to build elementary students' self-esteem.

Ashland Oil Inc. is a major diversified energy corporation whose Ohio operations include an Ashland Petroleum Co. refinery at Canton; several Ashland Chemical Inc. facilities and Columbus headquarters; 108 SuperAmerica outlets and 226 Ashland brand service stations; Valvoline Instant Oil Change outlets in seven major cities; and Valvoline Inc. motor oils and related automotive products.

Ashland Oil provides jobs for 4,100 Ohio families and has $454 million in fixed assets, land and inventory in the state.

CONTACT: Roger Schrum of Ashland Oil Inc., 606-329-4061.

-30- 4152

#90278p1943 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Maxwell, chairman of Maxwell Communication Corporation plc (MCC) and Jan Timmer, president of N.V. Philips (Philips) announced today that MCC and Philips have signed a letter of intent

to establish a joint venture multimedia publishing company to produce and sell self-teach language publishing courses for the home, school and office using interactive compact discs (CD-I). The new company is to be known as Maxwell Multi Media.

Berlitz Publishing Company, Inc., a subsidiary of Berlitz International, Inc., an MCC Group Company and Philips' Language Company, Philips Language Learning Systems Group, will produce entirely new language training course materials for Maxwell Multi Media. A series of self-teach language courses, based on the unique Berlitz Method and Philips' Professional Language Courses will be packaged together with a CD-I player. The series will be available for sale from the end of 1991. The release will coincide with the worldwide launch of consumer CD-I players.

Commenting on the announcement, Maxwell said, "The combination of Berlitz, the world's premier language instruction company with Philips, the inventor of compact disc technology, creates a formidable partnership of software publishing and consumer electronics experience to be based on this new multimedia format -- CD-I."

Timmer, president of Philips added, "We regard the joint venture as a key strategic development for the Philips Group. Philips believes that CD-I will become the world's leading multimedia standard for the consumer market. It enables television to be used for education and teaching interactively for the first time."

NOTE TO EDITORS: Interactive Compact Disc (CD-I) is a 5 inch (12cm) optical disc providing high-quality sound, text, still images, computer graphics and full motion video through a television set. CD-I is a worldwide publishing standard for multimedia products and has been developed by Philips, Sony and Matsushita. Professional CD-I players have been available since January 1990. Consumer players will be introduced in the United States and Japan in 1991. Europe will follow in 1992.

On Friday, Oct. 5, between 2:30 and 4:30, at the Philips stand at the Frankfurt Book Fair, Gaston Bastiaens, (director, Philips Interactive Media Systems) and Douglas Whitehead (business development director, MCC) will be present to provide further information. Frankfurt Book Fair Details: The Maxwell Communications stand is in Hall 4 (second floor), Stand P909. Telephone: 49-69-742-361; Fax: 49-69-742-371.

Philips can be found in Hall 6.3, Stand B46. Telephone: 49-69-7410-112
CONTACT: Douglas Whitehead of Maxwell Communications, 011-44-71-822-2096.

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#90278p1946 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
ELIZABETH, NJ (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - After operating more than 40 years under

its original name, Business Furniture Inc. has completed transition to the name BFI.

"Business Furniture Inc. was the best name in the world, but we have gone far beyond just selling furniture to clients," explained BFI President Paul Gold.

"We also offer many professional services from relocation to project management," adds Executive Vice President Dan Morley.

Along with the new name, the company has adopted a stylized logo featuring the three letters, BFI, in lower case, which Gold said is "consistent with our efforts to project that we are a well-managed, progressive, and fiscally strong company able to satisfy the needs of our clients."

Among the major clients served by BFI, which recorded sales of $45 million in 1989, are the United Nations, the State of New Jersey, the Federal Reserve Bank, Jersey Central Power & Light, SeaLand Services, Johnson & Johnson, Bendix and Guardian Life Insurance Co.

BFI was established in 1947 by Ben Klausner as a school furniture supply company that soon expanded into the business furniture line.

The firm was largely a furniture dealership until 1972, when Gold, who joined the company in 1969, established Euthenics, BFI's professional planning and design service.

"Then we really started growing," Gold said. "We've expanded to five locations and employ 165 people.

In addition to its Elizabeth headquarters at 133 Rahway Ave., BFI maintains a Manhattan office on 26th Street in New York City and a warehouse and distribution center in Hillside.

The company recently opened a new branch at 10 Lanidex Center West in Parsippany and relocated its Central Jersey branch to 1100 Cornwall Road in Monmouth Jct.

"Our employees are very valuable to us," said Morley. "Our branch office system is designed to accommodate our employees as well as our customers. We recognize the need to be close to where our employees live as well as where our customers are located."

Among other benefits, BFI provides its employees with a smokefree environment and an employee assistance program focusing on industrial psychology and interpersonal relationships.

"Since this is a family-owned company, we try to keep some of that sense of family, literally and figuratively, and our employee turnover rate is very low

as a result," Morley added.

BFI is the largest dealer of Herman Miller Inc. business furniture in the metropolitan New York area, and is also a dealer for Kimball International Inc., Gunlocke Inc. and Meridian Inc. as well as many other companies.

CONTACT: Daniel Morley, executive vp of BFI, 201-355-3400

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#90278p1949 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - LEP Group plc (ADR - NASDAQ: LEPGY) today announced the following unaudited results for the six months ended June 30, 1990:

LEP GROUP PLC

(Unaudited; thousands of pounds sterling)

Six months ended June 30:	1990	1989	Pct. Increase
Turnover	735,794	617,919	19.1
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	11,291	9,314	21.2
Profit after taxation and minority interests	8,454	7,102	19.0
Interim ordinary dividend	2.00p	1.75p	14.3
Earnings per ordinary share	6.2p	5.5p	12.7

Chairman's comments:

General Profits before taxation in the first six months of 1990 were 11.291 million pounds sterling (1989: 9.314 million pounds), an increase of 21.2 percent over the results for the same period last year. Earnings per share rose 12.7 percent to 6.2 pence (1989: 5.5p).

The group is a major international service organization mainly in distribution and electronic security services. The distribution activities comprise freight forwarding, specialized distribution and logistics and the distribution of industrial products.

We have continued our successful strategy of enhancing our global distribution capability with major developments in West and East Germany and in Czechoslovakia. In January we acquired the Wohlfarth Group of companies which is a major German domestic transport and distribution group; in June we established our own majority-owned subsidiary in East Germany where we now have over 300 people at 18 locations; and in September we established a subsidiary in Czechoslovakia in which our partners are Ekotrans Moravia, which is a consortium of some 90 companies involved in civil engineering, construction, tunnelling and mining equipment in Czechoslovakia formed to develop the Elbe/Oder Channel.

Notes: (A) -- The results of overseas subsidiaries and associated companies have been translated into sterling at the average rates of exchange for the period in question. This represents a change of accounting policies for the group and the comparative figures have been restated to reflect this change. The effect of this change on the results for the six months ended June 30, 1990, is to increase profit before taxation by 281,000 pounds and earnings per share by 0.2p.

(B) -- The results for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, are not statutory accounts. A copy of the statutory accounts for that year has been delivered to the Registrar of Companies. The auditors' report on those accounts was not qualified.

(C) -- The interim statement will be sent to shareholders on or about Oct. 11, 1990, and will be made available to the public at the registered office of the company, LEP House, 87 East St., Epsom, Surrey KT17 1DT, England.

(D) -- Earnings per ordinary share has been calculated on the weighted average of 136,156,214 shares in issue during the first half of 1990 (1989: 129,632,756).

(E) -- Operating profit by division is as follows:

LEP GROUP PLC
(Pounds in thousands)

Periods ended:	Six months		Year
	6/30/90	6/30/89	12/31/89
Distribution	7,379	3,287	14,370
Security Services	12,315	11,336	24,770
Property and other	124	2,810	3,810
Total	19,818	17,433	42,950

LEP GROUP PLC
Results
(Unaudited; pounds in thousands)

Periods ended:	Six months		Year
	6/30/90	6/30/89	12/31/89
Turnover	735,794	617,919	1,313,875
Profit on ordinary activities	20,218	17,251	42,493
Share of profits of related companies and property ventures	(400)	182	457
Total	19,818	17,433	42,950
Interest payable less receivable	(8,527)	(8,119)	(16,991)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	11,291	9,314	25,959
Taxation on profit on ordinary activities:			

U.K.	1,629	1,264	2,184
Overseas	1,308	1,530	3,330
Total	2,937	2,794	5,514
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation	8,354	6,520	20,445
Minority interests	100	582	(441)
Extraordinary items	(479)	(471)	(2,907)
Profit for the period attributable to shareholders	7,975	6,631	17,097
Dividend - ordinary	(2,725)	(2,357)	(8,168)
- preferred	(9)	(9)	(19)
Profit and loss appropriation	5,241	4,265	8,910
Dividends per 2p share	2.0p	1.75p	6.0p
Earnings per 2p share	6.2p	5.5p	15.2p

The geographical spread of the group's interests in best indicated by the numbers of employees. In the distribution field we now have over 9,600 employees of which over 2,800 are in the unified Germany, just over 2,600 in the United Kingdom, approximately 1,500 in the United States, and 1,200 in the Far East. Our electronic security business is wholly based in North America with just under 2,400 people being employed in those operations.

Distribution We have continued to make good progress in the distribution division with operating profits increasing to 7.4 million pounds from 3.3 million pounds in 1989.

In the freight forwarding division, good results were achieved in the U.K., Canada, Portugal and Thailand. All companies suffered to some extent because of the volatility and weakness of the U.S. dollar. This had a particularly adverse impact on our West German results. A substantial part of that company's earnings are determined in U.S. dollars and the shipping lines were unable to file increased tariffs with the U.S. regulatory bodies quickly enough to offset the rapid deterioration in the U.S. dollar. In July this year we acquired the outstanding minority interest in Profit Systems in the United States. This now enables us to make real progress in the profitable development of our freight forwarding operations in the United States free from the constraints imposed because of that minority interest.

The LEP Swift specialized physical distribution and logistics division in both the U.K. and Europe had a successful period. Good progress continues to be made in implementing our strategy for a Pan- European distribution network based on our well-proven Swift operations in the U.K. The acquisition of Wohlfarth in Germany and our new operations in Belgium and Holland are important steps in that development.

Security Services Operating profits have increased to 12.3 million pounds from 11.3 million pounds in 1989. The electronic security business of The National Guardian Corporation continues its profitable expansion and now operates in

Canada as well as in the United States.

Property and Other Property activities have been relatively quiet in the first six months of 1990 with operating profits of 0.1 million pounds compared with 2.8 million pounds in 1989.

Dividend The board had decided to increase the interim dividend to 2.0p, an increase of 14.3 percent over last year; this dividend will be paid on Jan. 11 1991, to shareholders on the register at the close of business on Dec. 7, 1990.

Outlook The current performance of the group continues to be satisfactory. Because of the global spread of our activities and the fact that our operations have been strengthened over recent years, in the absence of significant reductions in economic activity in the main countries in which we operate, we are looking to further progress being made in all parts of the group.

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#90278p1950 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - A new red listing option in Southwestern Bell Telephone's (SWBT) White Pages directories could mean "green" for business customers.

SWBT today announced it will introduce Red Feature Bold business listings beginning with the 1991-92 telephone books in 22 cities, giving business customers another opportunity to stand out from the crowd.

Those cities include St. Louis, Kansas City and Springfield, Mo.; Fort Smith and Fayetteville, Ark.; Wichita and Topeka, Kan.; Oklahoma City and Tulsa, Okla.; and Abilene, Amarillo, Corpus Christi, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, Victoria, San Antonio, Rio Grande Valley, Odessa, Midland, Lubbock and Fort Worth, Texas.

Red Feature Bold listings, including the name and phone number, will be set in red 14-point type, about a third larger than the regular listings. It is similar to the company's Feature Bold listing, in which only the name is printed in 14-point type. That business listing option became available throughout SWBT's five states in 1989.

"We have received excellent acceptance with Feature Bold," said Mike Hagan, SWBT's area manager of product management for directory services. "Business customers have told us they have seen an increased volume of calls as a direct result of changing to Feature Bold."

Hagan said Red Feature Bold also should be attractive to business customers, particularly professionals and those in the service industry.

Either Red Feature Bold or Feature Bold listings allows a small shop to stand out just as much as a large business, he said. "It's an excellent investment."

SWBT also offers Bold listings, in which listings are printed in bold but in smaller type than Feature Bold and Red Feature Bold listings.

Red Feature Bold prices range from $18 a month in smaller cities such as Victoria, Texas, to $70 a month in larger cities, such as Dallas. Feature Bold ranges from $13 to $52 a month and Bold ranges from $6.25 to $25 a month.

Southwestern Bell Telephone is a wholly owned subsidiary of Southwestern Bell Corporation (NYSE: SBC) and provides telecommunications service to nearly nine million customers in Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

CONTACT: Sherry Smith, 314-247-6771, or Allan Northcutt, 202-293-8553, both of Southwestern Bell Telephone

-30- 2527

#90278p1951 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Turner Program Services (TPS) has announced its marketing plans for off-network syndication of the Emmy Award-winning, critically acclaimed ABC-TV series "The Wonder Years," as revealed today by W. Russell Barry, president of TPS. New World Entertainment, which produces "The Wonder Years," recently selected TPS to syndicate the highly rated series in the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico.

"The agreement was a first for both companies," said Jack Petrik, chairman of TPS. "It represents the first time New World has chosen another company to distribute its programming and the first off- network series acquired by TPS for syndication."

Under terms of the TPS offer, "The Wonder Years" will be available to stations beginning fall, 1992. The cash plus barter deal covers a five-year license arrangement entitling the stations to air up to 260 weeks of "The Wonder Years." License payments will begin fall 1992 and continue on a weekly basis over the five-year period.

Barter will apply to the first three years, 156 weeks, with the remaining 104 weeks barter free and available for scheduling at stations' discretion. TPS will retain one minute of commercial time which will be handled by Turner Broadcasting Sales Inc. (TBSI) through their syndication ad sales division headed by Rich Goldfarb. TPS is guaranteeing no less than five seasons with a

maximum of seven seasons. Barter arrangements will be extended for an additional six months if a seventh season is produced.

"In developing our offer to stations, our goals were to make the terms as straightforward as possible with the greatest opportunity for program flexibility and financial rewards," Barry stated. "The performance of off-net sitcoms has outshone new first-run programming, and we are confident that 'The Wonder Years' will provide a significant return on investment to station buyers. The series is a high-quality, family-oriented program, which embraces traditional American values. It's wide demographic appeal is virtually without peer in network television."

"The Wonder Years" debuted on ABC in early 1988 and became an overnight sensation. The comic look at growing up in suburban America in the late '60s placed among Nielsen's 10 highest-rated series of the season and captured the Emmy for Outstanding Comedy Series of 1987-88. Since then, it has ranked among the top-rated shows on network television and has received a Directors Guild Award, the Golden Globe for Best Television Series, a Writers Guild Award to creators Carol Black and Neal Marlens and a Gold Seal from the Parents Choice Awards. "The Wonder Years" also received 1989-90 season Emmys for Outstanding Writing in a Comedy Series (Bob Brush) and Outstanding Directing in a Comedy Series (Michael Dinner). In addition, it was named Best Television Series of 1989 by television critics polled in Electronic Media.

CONTACT: Karen Nicol in Atlanta, 404-827-1396, Joe Swaney in Los Angeles, 213-558-7331, Pamela Dill in New York, 212-714-7855.

-30- 3265
#90278p1956 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI, (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Kroger Co. (NYSE: KR) said today it has received the required consent of bondholders to amend the indentures for its 12-7/8 percent Senior Subordinated Debentures, due 1999, and its 13-1/18 percent Subordinated Debentures, due 2001, to permit the full implementation of Kroger's $200 million commercial paper program.

CONTACT: Paul Bernish of The Kroger Co. 513-762-1304

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#90278p1960 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Travelers Corporation (NYSE: TIC) today announced it is adding $650 million to reserves for its mortgage loan and real estate investments. In addition, the company will reduce the quarterly dividend on its common stock from 60 cents to 40 cents per share.

The company expects operating profits in the third quarter to surpass 1989 levels of $63 million, and operating income for 1990 is expected to be up

approximately 25 percent from last year.

Additional reserves will result in a net loss of $500 million for the third quarter vs. net income of $94 million for the comparable 1989 period, and will result in a net loss for the year.

Edward H. Budd, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Following an intensive review of our mortgage loans and real estate holdings, we determined it appropriate to increase reserves to provide for real estate losses which we expect to emerge over a number of years. Tightening credit, higher long-term interest rates, more aggressive asset disposal efforts by the Resolution Trust Corporation, dramatic energy cost increases, turmoil in the Middle East and a weaker economy have caused the commercial real estate markets to deteriorate sharply."

Budd continued, "The impact of these economic conditions on Travelers is significant because of our concentration in mortgage loans and real estate investments, made primarily in the mid-1980s." With this addition of $650 million, real estate reserves are estimated to total, $1.150 billion at the end of 1990's third quarter. Budd added "This is appropriate in view of the size of our portfolio and the investment we forsee."

Budd said, "With this level of reserves set aside, we also determined it appropriate to take actions to maintain strong capital ratios necessary to pursue the strategies for our core businesses. The one-third reduction in dividend, which will aggregate $100 million by the end of 1991, allows us to retain more earnings to support growth and supplements the actions we have already taken to strengthen our capital base.

Under current accounting rules, Travelers is unable to record tax offsets to the reserve addition. However, these benefits are expected to be realized over time. The company has potential future tax benefits totaling $350 million available to reduce the impact of actual losses on real estate transactions.

CONTACT: Michele U. Farley, second vice president-corporate communications, The Travelers Corporation, 203-277-0150 (business), 203-561-4081 (home).

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TONAWANDA, NY (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Exolon-ESK Co. (Exolon) received a proposal on Oct. 4 to purchase all of the outstanding shares of Common Stock and Series A Convertible Preferred Stock of Exolon from Wacker Chemical Corp. (Wacker).

The proposal states that the purchase would be effected through a cash-out merger pursuant to which the holders of Common Stock would receive $17.50 per

share and the holders of Class A Convertible Preferred Stock would receive $19.70 per share. The affirmative vote of the holders of two-thirds of the Common Stock and Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, voting as a class, would be required to effect such a merger. Wacker presently owns all of the outstanding Class A Common Stock and Series B Convertible Preferred Stock of Exolon.

The chairman of the board of Exolon, Kurt M. Hertzfeld, has called a special meeting of the board of directors of Exolon to be held on Thursday, Oct. 11 to begin its consideration of Wacker's offer.

Exolon's principal products are silicon carbide and fused aluminum oxide used in the abrasives, refractory and metallurgical industries. Exolons's Common Stock is traded on the Boston Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: K. Hertzfeld of Exolon, 413-542-2222, or R. Fleming of Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Wood and Goodyear, 716-856-4000, for Exolon.

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BRUNSWICK, GA (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Southeastern Bank, headquartered in Darien, Ga., and First Georgia Savings Bank, F.S.B., Brunswick, Ga., have announced that they have signed a Letter of Intent pursuant to which Southeastern will purchase three branch locations from First Georgia.

The offices involved are located in St. Marys, Folkston, and Douglas, Ga. The proposed transaction is subject to the execution of a definitive agreement and regultory approval.

Under the proposed terms, Southeastern will acquire the deposit accounts as well as the loans of all three branches. At Aug. 31, the three branches had deposits of approximately $31,714,000.

In announcing the transaction, Henry Bishop, president of First Georgia Savings Bank, stated, "First Georgia has operated successfully in these markets during the past three years, since acquiring the offices from Anchor Savings, but the regulatory climate and current market conditions called for a re-evaluation of our strategy for the future."

First Georgia, which at Aug. 31 had deposit of $160,064,000, will continue to operate seven offices located in Ware, Bacon, Pierce, Liberty and Glynn Counties.

Southeastern Bank, which at Aug. 31 had deposits of $136,237,000 has offices located in Darien, Eulonia, Woodbine, Kingsland, Folkston, Nahunta, Hoboken, Hazlehurst, and Nicholls, Ga.

CONTACT: Amanda Thompson of First Georgia Savings, 912-267-7283.

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#90278p1983 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL PASO, TX (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Helen of Troy Corporation (NASDAQ: HELE), developer, designer and marketer of personal care products, today reported results for the second quarter and six months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Second quarter net earnings were $1,557,000 or 30 cents per share on revenues of $30,967,000 compared with net earnings of $3,400,000 or 62 cents per share on sales of $31,977,000 in the prior year's same quarter.

Half-year net earnings were $2,359,000 or 44 cents per share on revenues of $55,697,000 versus net earnings of $5,327,000 or 97 cents per share on sales of $55,265,000 in fiscal 1990's first six months.

Gerald J. Rubin, chairman and chief executive officer, said the company expects revenues and earnings for the third fiscal quarter to be lower than the third quarter of the prior year due to the national slowdown in retail sales.

"The slowdown in retail business caused by cautious consumer spending has made retailers hesitant to build inventories," Rubin explained.

"We do not expect any improvement in that environment for the balance of this year. Helen of Troy's Vidal Sassoon hair care appliances continue to maintain their dominant market share, but increased competitive pressures have forced profit margins down."

Rubin reported that the company recently began repurchasing a portion of its common stock under a buyback program announced March, 1990. Though the total repurchase now approaches 600,000 shares, the positive impact on earnings per share will not be apparent until the last half of the fiscal year because of the required averaging of outstanding shares. The company plans to buy additional shares "from time to time depending on market conditions."

The board of directors authorized the repurchase of up to one million shares.

Helen of Troy's products include hand-held dryers, curling, styling and brush irons, hairsetters, lighted mirrors and combs and brushes under the Vidal Sassoon and Helen of Troy brand names.

HELEN OF TROY CORPORATION
(Unaudited)

Periods ended:	Three months		Six months	
Aug. 31:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$30,967,000	$31,977,000	$55,697,000	$55,265,000

Net earnings	1,557,000	3,400,000	2,359,000	5,327,000
Earnings per share	.30	.62	.44	.97
Wtd avg. shares outstanding	5,247,870	5,458,177	5,306,718	5,480,757

CONTACT: Zeke Rose of Porter, Le Vay & Rose, 212-564-4700, for Helen of Troy Corporation

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#90278p1988 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Orion Pictures Corp. (NYSE: OPC) announced today that Metromedia Co. exercised currently outstanding warrants to purchase 4,319,760 shares of common stock of Orion at an exercise price of $6.00 per share

CONTACT: Michael Keller of Orion Pictures Corp., 213-282-2576

-30- 475

#90278p1992 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Speaking before a convention of the National Association of Royalty Owners, Patrick Collins, president and CEO of Plains Resources Inc. (AMEX: PLX) endorsed a proposal presently before the Texas Railroad Commission which would limit the sale of natural gas at distress prices.

The proposal, authored by Commissioner Nugent, would permit the Texas Railroad Commission to order the temporary cessation of production from wells where natural gas production is being sold at prices below replacement cost.

"Texas can no longer afford to permit irresponsible marketers of natural gas to waste its natural resources," Collins said. "This measure needs to be adopted not only in Texas, but in Oklahoma, Louisiana and other natural gas producing states."

Plains is the first independent producer to publicly endorse Nugent's proposal. Plains Resources Inc. is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with operations in the Gulf Coast areas of Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi and in the Mid- Continent areas of Oklahoma, the Texas Panhandle and southwestern Kansas.

CONTACT: Christine Eilert of Plains Resources, 713-654-1414

-30- 1382

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Comair Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: COMR),

the parent corporation of Comair, Inc., the Cincinnati and Orlando-based "Delta Connection" carrier, reported that passenger boardings for September 1990 were up 27.8 percent to 156,880. RPMs increased 40.3 percent while ASMs increased 42.3 percent.

	SEPTEMBER		
	1990	1989	Pct. Change
ASMs (000)	75,092	52,789	42.3
RPMs (000)	32,708	23,319	40.3
Load Factor	43.6 percent	44.2 percent	(1.4)
Passengers	156,880	122,754	27.8
	Fiscal YTD		
	1991	1990	Pct. Change
ASMs (000)	458,230	309,916	47.9
RPMs (000)	198,610	148,523	33.7
Load Factor	43.3 percent	47.9 percent	(9.6)
Passengers	960,314	786,922	22.0
	Calendar YTD		
	1990	1989	Pct. Change
ASMs (000)	658,196	450,154	46.2
RPMs (000)	283,260	208,026	36.2
Load Factor	43.0 percent	46.2 percent	(6.9)
Passengers	1,389,970	1,110,787	25.1

CONTACT: Gloria M. Weber of Comair Holdings, Inc., 606-525-2550

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#90278p2014 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Ted Arison, 66, announced that he will retire as chairman of Carnival Cruise Lines, Inc. (AMEX: CCL) at the close of business today. He will remain on the company's board of directors and act as a consultant, continuing to oversee new ship construction projects for the line and its subsidiaries.

His 41-year-old son, Micky, who has served as president and CEO since 1979, has been named chairman and CEO by the board of directors.

"The reality is that there won't be that much difference in my involvement. I've been concentrating my efforts primarily on the newbuilding program and Micky has been responsible for the day-to-day operations for the last 11 years " Ted Arison said. "The company has flourished under his leadership. During that time we've gone from a three-ship cruise line, to a diversified travel company that includes 15 ships marketed under three different brand names, a tour operation with hotels, motorcoaches and sightseeing vessels, plus a major gaming resort," he explained.

Commenting on his father's retirement, Micky Arison said, "I'm very happy for

him. While I've never encouraged him to do it, I think it's great that he'll be able to slow down a little."

But based on the company's new ship order book, the elder Arison won't have a great deal of idle time on his hands -- at least not anytime in the near future. The company has four ships either under construction or on the drawing boards. The 2,600-passenger Ecstasy, under construction in Finland, is scheduled to enter service on June 2, 1991, operating seven-day cruises to the Caribbean from Miami. Carnival also has contracted with an Italian shipyard for construction of three, 1,250-passenger vessels for its Holland America subsidiary. The first of these, the Statendam, is scheduled for delivery in late 1992, with the second and third vessels to be delivered in 1993 and 1994. And, negotiations are underway for construction of another 2,600-passenger vessel for the Carnival fleet.

Carnival is the world's largest cruise line based on number of passengers carried. Together with its subsidiaries Holland America Line - Westours and Windstar Cruises, Carnival currently operates 15 ships in Alaska, the Caribbean, the South Pacific and the Mediterranean. The tour division includes Westours, the largest operator in Alaska and the Yukon Territory and 19 Westmark Hotels. The company also operates Carnival's Crystal Palace & Casino, a 1,550-room hotel and casino complex in Nassau, Bahamas.

CONTACT: Tim Gallagher of Carnival Cruise Lines, 305-599-2600

-30- 2808

#90278p2020 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Chesapeake Corporation (NYSE: CSK) announced today the offering of $55 million of 10 3/8 percent notes due October 1, 2000, through Salomon Brothers Inc., Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Wheat First Butcher & Singer Capital Markets. The trustee and paying agent for these securities will be Sovran Bank, N.A.

The proceeds from the sale of these notes will be used to replace outstanding credit line borrowings incurred primarily to finance capital projects, most notably Chesapeake's recent expansion of its tissue business.

Copies of the prospectus with respect to the announced offering may be obtained from Salomon Brothers Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co. in New York, New York, and from Wheat First Butcher & Singer Capital Markets in Richmond, Virginia.

Chesapeake Corporation is an integrated paper and forest products company that produces and markets kraft, tissue, packaging and treated wood products.

CONTACT: Louis K. Matherne, Treasurer, Chesapeake Corporation, 804-697-1122.

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#90278p2024 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
RYE BROOK, NY (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - John Tripodi has been named controller of Kraft General Foods International, the company announced today. He was previously director, accounting and administration, for the company.

Tripodi, a native of Mount Vernon, N.Y., received a B.B.A. degree from Manhattan College in 1962. Prior to joining General Foods in 1968 as senior auditor, he spent five years with D'Arcangelo & Co. CPAs. Tripodi advanced through increasingly responsible financial positions in the United States and Europe while at General Foods. He was named director of international accounting in 1985 and assumed his present duties last year.

Tripodi is a member of the American Institute of CPAs and the New York Society of CPAs. He resides with his wife and son in Purchase, N.Y.

CONTACT: Rich Collins of Kraft General Foods, 914-335-9114

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#90278p2026 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Galveston-Houston Co. (NYSE: GHX) today announced that it has completed its acquisition of Erichsen Industries Ltd. for approximately $6.0 million cash and $1.7 million in non-interest bearing notes.

Erichsen Industries Ltd., headquartered in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, is a leading manufacturer of linear and quarter-turn gas over oil valve actuators and related control systems, principally used on oil, gas or product pipelines. For the 12 months ended July 31, 1990, Erichsen had approximately $8.0 million in total revenues. Erichsen complements the product line of GH-Bettis, a Galveston-Houston subsidiary and a worldwide leader in pneumatic and hydraulic valve actuators.

Galveston-Houston Co., through its operating subsidiaries, manufactures and markets products for the energy industries, including oil and gas production, pipeline and processing operations, for construction and mining, and for numerous industrial applications.

Galveston-Houston Co. common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GHX.

CONTACT: Wilfred M. Krenek or Pamela L. Reiland of Galveston-Houston Co., 713-966-2500.

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#90278p2036 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Mark Twain Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: MTWN) today announced a fourth quarter dividend of 22 cents (88 cents annually) to be paid on Nov. 9, 1990, to shareholders of record of its common stock (par value $1.25) on Oct. 19, 1990.

"We beleive an investment in Mark Twain Bancshares is a sound financial decision both for individuals and institutions," said John Dubinsky, Mark Twain president and chief executive officer. "We are pleased with our performance in these difficult times and continue to focus on prudent long-term strategies to enhance shareholder value."

This is the eighty-fourth consecutive common stock dividend in the history of the company, which has increaed its dividend 23 times in the 21 years since the comapy's public formation in 1969. The most recent increase was in January 1990 when the company increased the divident rate by 10 percent.

There have been three common stock splits in the company's history: a three-for-two split in 1987, and two two-for-two splits in 1979 and 1983.

Mark Twain Bancshares, a 26-year-old bank holding company, operates 29 locations: 19 throughout St. Louis, St. Louis County and St. Charles County; as well as five locations in Kansas City, Mo. and five in Belleville and Edwardsville, Ill. Mark Twain also operates 43 brokerage locations in six states. Related financial services include: Mark Twain Bond Department; Mark Twain Brokerage Services Inc.; Mark Twain Commercial Finance Division; Mark Twain International; Mark Twain Leasing Co.; Mark Twain Mortgage Co.; and Mark Twain Trust Division. Mark Twain stock is traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol MTWN.

CONTACT: Kris Bakken of Mark Twain Bancshares Inc., 314-889-0781

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HOUSTON, (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Co. (TEPPCO) (NYSE: TPP) recently elected Dewey Mark as a member of the board of directors.

Mark was president of San Antonio-based Diamond Shamrock Inc. from 1989 until his May 1, 1990, retirement. He joined the company in 1982 as executive vice president and was named chief operating officer in 1987. During his time with the company, he helped build Diamond Shamrock into one of the largest independent marketing and refining companies in the United States.

Currently a resident of Boerne, Texas, Mark is considered by some to be "the father of the petrochemical industry" in the United States because of his work in building the first BTX (benzene, toluene, xylene) plant and marketing its three products for Cosden Petroleum, now known as American Petrofina.

Mark is viewed as one of the country's leading experts on refined petroleum products and recently spoke before congressman Phil Sharp's Energy and Power subcommittee on behalf of the American Petroleum Institute and the refining and marketing industry. He is the immediate past chairman of the National Petroleum Refiners Association, as well as being a member of the American Chemical Society and the Chemical Market Research Association. He also serves on the Texas State Worker's Compensation Commission and is a member of the board of directors of the American Heart Association, American Red Cross, Texas Society for the Prevention of Blindness and Bexar County Hospital Development Board.

A native of Denton, Texas, Mark began his career in 1947 as chairman of the department of natural sciences at Paris Junior College in Paris, Texas. Beginning in 1952, he worked as a petrochemical sales manager for Cosden Petroleum; Vickers Petroleum in Wichita, Kansas; and Tenneco Oil Company in Houston. At Tenneco, Mark held a number of positions of increasing responsibility and left the company as the senior vice president of marketing in 1979 to become president of Enterprise Companies Inc.

Mark received a bachelor of science degree in 1943 and a master of science degree in 1947 from the University of North Texas. He also attended a doctoral studies program at Indiana University in Bloomington, Ind., in 1952.

Michael D. Burke, president of TEPPCO, stated, "Our company is committed to increasing its level of service and quality to shippers and to proactively meet the new service opportunities of the 1990s. Dewey Mark's distinguished career in the petrochemical, liquefied petroleum gas, and refining and marketing industries will be of significant benefit to TEPPCO in meeting those objectives."

TE Products Pipeline Company, Limited Partnership, headquartered in Houston, was formed to acquire, own and operate the refined petroleum products and LPGs pipeline business of Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Co., the general partner of the partnership. The company is one of the largest pipeline common carriers of refined petroleum products and LPGs in the United States.

CONTACT: James W. Hart Jr., 713-627-4900, media relations; or Brenda J. Peters, 713-759-3954, investor relations; both of Panhandle Eastern for Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Co.

-30- 3430

#90278p2050 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA, (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Old Fashion Foods Inc. (NASDAQ: OFFI) reported revenues and earnings for the first quarter ended Aug. 25.

Revenues for the 13-week period were $4,785,000 vs. $4,950,000 for the similar

1989 period. Net loss for the first quarter totaled $134,000, or $.12 per share, vs $81,000, or $.07 per share during the same period a year ago.

OLD FASHION FOODS, INC.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

13 wks. ended	8/25/90	8/26/89
Revenues	$ 4,785,000	$ 4,950,000
Operating income (loss)	(131,000)	35,000
Pretax earnings (loss)	(235,000)	(121,000)
Net income (loss)	$ (134,000)	$ (81,000)
Earnings (loss) per share	$ (.12)	$ (.07)
Weighted average no. of shares outstanding	1,162,169	1,177,845
Book value per share	$ 6.79	$ 6.91

CONTACT: Paulette B. Flanagan, vice president, investor relations of Old Fashion Foods, 404-948-1177

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HARRISBURG, PA (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Insurance Department will hold a public hearing in Wilkes-Barre on Friday, Oct. 12, for a series of proposed health insurance rate increases sought by Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

The hearing will be held at the Genetti Best Western Motor Inn, Market and Pennsylvania Avenue, starting at 10 a.m.

The rate requests to be discussed at the hearing are: -- An average 20.5 percent increase ($5.9 million annually) for 82,000 subscribers covered by 65-Special insurance. The 65-Special coverage supplements Medicare coverage and is commonly referred to as "medigap" insurance. Monthly rates of $29.55 for basic coverage and $12.05 for limited coverage would go to $35.60 and $14.52, respectively. The company last increased its 65-Special rates by 29.6 percent on Jan. 1.

-- An average 11.9 percent increase ($2.1 million annually) for 21, 600 subscribers of the non-group 60-day co-op program. This program provides basic hospitalization coverage for 60 days to individuals who do not have coverage through large groups or employers. Monthly rates of $87.70 for an individual policy, $173.20 for a family policy and $111.45 for a parent/children policy would rise to $98.15, $193.80 and $124.70, respectively. Blue Cross last increased its rates by 25.7 percent on Jan. 1.

-- An average 29.1 percent increase ($128,000 annually) for 1,630 non-group 60-day co-op student subscribers. The program provides basic hospitalization coverage for 60 days to students who do not have coverage through a family

member's policy. Monthly rates of $22.50 would go to $29.05. The company decreased its non-group student rates by 8.2 percent on Jan. 1.

-- A 79.2 percent increase ($2.3 million annually) and an increase in the deductible from $350 to $500 for 21,200 non-group major medical subscribers. The average monthly rate of $20.73 would go to $37.16. The non-group major medical provides coverage for prescription drugs, additional physician services and hospital care above the basic hospitalization coverage. The non-group policy is for individuals who do not have health insurance coverage through an employer. The company raised its rates for non-group major medical coverage by 7.5 percent on Jan. 1.

After opening statements by Insurance Department and Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania officials, the public will be invited to comment on the filings. Public comments will be limited to 10 minutes to allow everyone an opportunity to speak. Following public testimony, the department will review and question the technical aspects of the filing with Blue Cross officials.

Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania has subscribers in the following counties: Bradford, Carbon, Clinton, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Lycoming, Monroe, Pike, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Tioga, Wayne and Wyoming.

CONTACT: Amy Dugan or Heidi Irwin of the Insurance Department, 717-787-3289.

-30- 3148

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Nanometrics Inc. (NASDAQ: NANO) and Optical Specialties Inc. (OSI) (NASDAQ: OSIX) jointly announced that they have entered into a Letter of Intent whereby Nanometrics would acquire all of the outstanding capital stock of OSI. The announcement was made jointly by Vincent J. Coates, chairman and CEO of Nanometrics, and J. R. Harris, chairman and CEO of OSI.

Both corporations develop and manufacture metrology and inspection systems for semiconductor process control and their product lines are highly complementary. Nanometrics' products include scanning electron microscope systems for submicron microlithography measurement and inspection, NanoLine(R) an optical-based measurement system and NanoSpec(R), a thin-film thickness measuring system. OSI products include two new fully automatic machines: The METRA(R) 2000 for overlay registration and submicron CD measurement and the INSPECTRA(R) 5000 for submicron defect detection. In addition, OSI produces semiautomatic equipment for optical inspection and measurement for the semiconductor, disk media and machine tool markets.

"Jack Harris and I want to combine our knowhow in metrology systems design to create a single company with the broadest range of products and skills in our

industry," stated Coates. "Through this means we expect to achieve substantial growth in world market share during the '90s. Nanometrics and OSI each offer more than a decade of experience in our fields and together will have one of the largest customer bases in our industry."

"We at OSI are very enthusiastic about the prospects of a merger with Nanometrics," said Harris. "Our applications and service capabilities will be greatly expanded and we will attain the critical mass that will allow us to provide the support and stability that our customers require. In addition, our individual technologies are synergistic and will mesh well."

The consummation of the merger is subject to the execution of a difinitive merger agreement, approval of both companies' boards of directors and the stockholders of OSI, customary regulatory approvals, renegotiation of certain liabilities and contractual agreements and other normal conditions of closing. The parties hope to complete the transaction at the end of 1990.

The proposed terms provide for Nanometrics to issue one share of its common stock for each 13 shares of common stock of OSI outstanding on a fully diluted basis. As part of the merger agreement, Nanometrics will receive an option for approximately 20 percent of the common stock of OSI, exercisable under certain conditions. Nanometrics was founded in 1975, and is located in Sunnyvale. OSI was founded in 1978, and is located in Fremont, Calif.

CONTACT: Vincent J. Coates of Nanometrics, 408-746-1600; or Jack R. Harris of Optical Specialties, 415-490-6400

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#90278p2058 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTER, Ind. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Canonie Environmental Services Corp. (NASDAQ: CANO) announced today that its 50 percent owned subsidiary, SoilTech, Inc. (SoilTech) began work under a contract which provides for the processing of approximately 21,000 tons of polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB-) contaminated soils at the Wide Beach Development Site, Erie County, N.Y. This project has been mobilized and full-scale treatment commenced Oct. 4. SoilTech was awarded this contract by the general contractor Kimmons Thermal Corporation of Niagara Falls, N.Y.

SoilTech will utilize its AOSTRA Taciuk Process System in conjunction with a licensed PCB dechlorination process to chemically treat the contaminated soils. SoilTech has an exclusive license to use the AOSTRA Taciuk Process System in the United States. This full-scale thermal separation/recycling and chemical dechlorination process will provide an economically viable alternative to current landfill and incineration practices of PCB- and oil-contaminated soils and sludges. This represents SoilTech's first major soil dechlorination project, as well as its first major project in the United States.

Canonie Environmental Services Corp. provides comprehensive services throughout the United States for remediation of sites contaminated by hazardous materials. The firm provides its clients with a complete range of services, including assessing the regulatory, technical and construction aspects of the problem, developing a strategic plan to solve the problem and performing the necessary remediation and operation activities. Canonie Environmental Services Corp. is one of the few companies capable of providing such a broad range of services. The company has performed work at more than 100 project sites nationwide, including the management and control of remediation activities at various Superfund sites.

CONTACT: Thomas A. Donovan, president and chief executive officer; or Leo G. MacKeller, senior vice president-administration and finance, 219-926-8651, both of Canonie Environmental Services Corp.

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#90278p2060 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEDIA, Pa. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - VWR Corp. (NASDAQ: VWRX) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.20 per share, payable Dec. 5, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 9.

VWR Corp., headquartered in Media, is the nation's second largest distributor of laboratory supplies and equipment, with sales in excess of $400 million.

CONTACT: Walter S. Sobon of VWR, 215-891-9752, or Ann K. Carmody of Earle Palmer Brown & Spiro, 215-851-9652, for VWR

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#90278p2061 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Polaroid Corporation (NYSE: PRD) declared a regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on the company's common stock, payable Dec. 29, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 30, 1990. Polaroid has 51,272,761 common shares outstanding as of Sept. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Mary McDermott of Polaroid Corporation, 617-577-3989.

-30- 574

#90278p2064 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, CT. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hydraulic Company (THC) (NYSE: THC) and SRK Holding, Inc. jointly announced today an agreement in principle whereby THC would acquire the outstanding shares of SRK.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed. It is subject to several terms

and conditions, including the negotiation of a definitive purchase and sale agreement, and final approval by the boards of both companies.

THC, through its nonutility subsidiary, Hydrocorp, Inc., acquired its initial 25 percent voting equity in SRK in 1988. SRK, a Monroe, Connecticut-based holding company, is the parent of YWC, a diversified environmental consulting firm that offers a wide range of field engineering and laboratory services to government and private industry.

"We plan to retain YWC's three environmental testing laboratory businesses," THC President and Chief Executive Officer Jack E. McGregor said. It is anticipated, he noted, that these three labs, located in Connecticut, New Jersey and Illinois, will be operated in affiliation with IEA (Industrial & Environmental Analysts, Inc.), which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hydrocorp. IEA has multidisciplinary analytical testing laboratories in North Carolina, Massachusetts and Vermont.

McGregor said that, once the transaction is completed, THC planned to sell those YWC businesses that are engaged in engineering, consulting and various aspects of remediation.

THC's principal subsidiary is Bridgeport Hydraulic Company, an investor-owned utility that provides public water supply to a population of some 500,000 in 18 Connecticut communities. In addition to its nonutility water services business, THC is engaged in forest products, electricity cogeneration and real estate enterprises.

CONTACT: Larry L. Bingaman, vice president-marketing & communications, of THC, 203-336-7626, or Stephen R. Kellogg, president of SRK Holding, & YWC, Inc., 203-261-4458

-30- 2132

#90278p2066 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MI. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal-Mogul Corporation (NYSE: FMO) today acquired the stock of Villafane Auto Supply, Inc. for an undisclosed amount. Villafane is a specialty distributor of Japanese auto parts located in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Dennis J. Gormley said, "As the vehicle mix around the world continues to broaden, it will provide Federal-Mogul with exciting new growth potential. The acquisition of Villafane gives us an opportunity to accelerate our participation in the Japanese auto parts market."

Headquartered in Southfield, Federal-Mogul operates 37 plants, more than 70 distribution centers and four major research facilities throughout the world. Its products range from a variety of precision parts for the transportation, farm equipment, construction and manufacturing industries to aerospace

components.

CONTACT: Lonnie Ross of Federal-Mogul Corporation, 313-354-9934

-30- 1107

#90278p2067 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) opened bids for cost proposals for expanded service.

Four companies participated by submitting cost proposals. Those companies were:

Holland Industries Inc.
Argenbright Inc.
National School Bus Service Inc.
ATE Management and Service Company Inc.

The cost bids were opened at 10 a.m. in SMART's downtown office. The cost proposals received will be reviewed along with the technical proposals received on Sept. 24, 1990.

SMART's service expansion will be conducted in two phases. Phase 1 expansion service will include 20 additional buses and eight new bus routes.

Phase 2 of the expansion service will include up to 32 additional buses and 15 new routes.

SMART previously submitted its own cost proposal for performing the service expansion. The technical and cost proposals submitted by SMART were made public on Sept. 24 at the initial technical proposal bid opening.

A final decision on the SMART service expansion will be made at the next board meeting currently scheduled for Oct. 23, 1990. At that time, based on cost and technical merit, the board will decide whether to make an award to one of the private contractors or to have the Authority operate the new service itself.

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LOWELL, Ark. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - In three separate developments, J.B. Hunt Transport Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: JBHT) announced today a driver wage increase the formation of a flatbed division, and the purchase of substantially all of the assets of Bulldog Trucking, Inc.

Responding to pressures from a continuing industry-wide driver shortage and the need to provide higher wages for qualified drivers, J.B. Hunt Transport, Inc., announced it was increasing its driver pay scale to allow a top rate of 33 cents per mile. Drivers with three years of verifiable experience or more will start at 28 cents per mile and will receive 1 cent per mile increments annually to the maximum of 33 cents. In a break from traditional truckload driver pay plans, bonuses are not a part of the base compensation package. With the announcement, Hunt becomes the highest paying truckload carrier in the industry by a substantial margin.

J.B. Hunt, chairman, commenting on the driver pay change, said, "Our drivers know we know how difficult their job is and they expect us to be on the leading edge in everything we do, including pay." Hunt was himself a truck driver for 21 years and empathizes with the long hours and grueling conditions today's driver endures.

Separately, citing mounting demand form customers and the lack of adequate industry capacity, Hunt has indicated its intention to enter the flatbed truckload business. Initially 200 tractors and 300 flatbed trailers will be operated through a separate business unit of J.B. Hunt Transport. William D. Johnson, president and chief executive officer of Poole Truck Line, an operating company of the Landstar System Group, will head the new operation. The equipment is currently being ordered and Hunt expects operations to begin within the next 90 days. Kirk Thompson, president and chief executive officer of Hunt, explained that Johnson was chosen for the position because of his wealth of industry knowledge and experience, his concern for employees, and his dedication to and reputation with customers.

Additional expansion was also announced through an agreement with NCNB and its leasing company, the major secured creditors of Bulldog Trucking, Inc., to acquire substantially all of Bulldog's fleet of tractors and trailers, and certain real and personal property. Bulldog Trucking, Inc. is a regional short-haul carrier in Carnesville, Ga.

The new acquisition will become a division of J.B. Hunt and will operate autonomously from the current J.B. Hunt truckload van fleet.

Thompson stated, "Bulldog, with its impeccable reputation for quality service that has been nurtured by President Ed Brown, represents an attractive window into markets we do not currently serve. We look forward to complementing the quality service which has been offered by Bulldog with the substantial economies of scale and financial stability that can be provided by J.B. Hunt.

"These developments should improve the quality of services being provided by J.B. Hunt and strengthen our domination of the full-load, containerizable transportation business in North America. We are extremely pleased to expand our services to regional short haul and flatbed markets through the capable

leadership of Bill Johnson and Ed Brown, both of whom represent professional transportation expertise of the highest order."

CONTACT: Kirk Thompson, president and CEO of J.B. Hunt Transport, 501-820-8110

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PALO ALTO, Calif. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Coherent Inc. (NASDAQ: COHR) announced today that it has received marketing clearance from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for use of its Holmium Lasers in a broad range of open, laparoscopic and endoscopic procedures in General Surgery, including the removal of gall bladders. The new surgical technique for removing the gall bladder is called "Endoscopic Laser Cholecystectomy." It is performed through small incisions in the abdomen, and results in reduced hospital stay as well as less trauma and pain for the patient.

Dr. John Semertzides of Deconess Hospital in Cincinnati, who has performed over 100 gall bladder surgeries using a variety of lasers including Argon, Neodymium:YAG, Carbon Dioxide and KTP lasers, noted that "the Coherent Holmium laser supersedes any other laser for this procedure." He added that "the unique cutting and hemostatic properties of the Holmium laser make it the laser of choice for Endoscopic Laser Cholecystectomy."

According to Ted Belleza, director of Marketing for Coherent Medical Group, Coherent is the first company to receive FDA clearance for the use of the Holmium laser in this procedure. Belleza noted that approximately one in twelve persons suffer from gall bladder disease, and over half a million cholecystectomy procedures are performed annually in the United States. Whereas the conventional procedure involves opening the abdominal wall to access the gall bladder through a six-to eight-inch incision, the new procedure is performed through four half-inch puncture incisions. Belleza added that hospital stay is typically reduced from several days to only one or two days. Also, patient recovery is reduced from several weeks to a few days.

Belleza indicated that in addition to Cholecystectomy, a broad range of general surgery procedures are now cleared for use of the Coherent Holmium laser. These include: Lysis of adhesions, appendectomy, biopsy of the liver, pylorostenotomy, benign and malignant lesions, and rectal polyps of sigmoid colon.

Coherent, Inc. is the world leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of lasers for science, medicine and industry.

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SHERMAN OAKS, CA (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - APSB Bancorp, the Sherman Oaks-based parent of American Pacific State Bank, said its third-quarter profits increased 30 percent from a year earlier.

The bank reported that net income for the three-month period that ended Sept. 30, 1990, climbed to $566,000 or 41 cents a share from $436,000 or 31 cents a share a year earlier.

The bank's assets as of Sept. 30 increased 15 percent to $204 million, compared to last year's figure of $177 million. The substantial increase in bank assets is attributed in part to the tremendous success the bank has experienced with the opening of its new Woodland Hills office in Warner Center.

Continued record profitability is attributed to the continuing success of the bank's SBA Loan Division, a strong loan demand coupled with tight controls over expenses and a continued strong net interest margin.

Still one of the leading producers of SBA loans in the United States, American Pacific State Bank recently relocated its Administrative offices to the 16th floor of its Sherman Oaks branch office located at Ventura and Sepulveda Boulevards. The bank has five branches located throughout the San Fernando Valley.

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OKLAHOMA CITY, OK. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Transocean Drilling Co. Ltd. and Aker Drilling a.s. have reached an agreement for the purchase by Aker Drilling of all assets of Transocean Drilling for U.S.$210 million in cash. Closing of the sale is expected within 60 days.

The Transworld Drilling companies, subsidiaries of Kerr-McGee Corp. (NYSE: KMG), own 61.5 percent of Transocean Drilling. The other stockholders of Transocean Drilling are Deutsche Tiefbohr A.G., 14 percent; Preussag A.G., 14 percent; and Wintershall A.G., 10.5 percent.

Transocean Drilling provides contract drilling services to the offshore oil and gas industry. The Transocean fleet consists of four jack-up rigs (Transocean 4, 5, 6 and 7) and one harsh-environment, semi-submersible rig (Transocean 8).

Aker Drilling is a major Norwegian drilling company operating in the North Sea with 1,300 employees. The acquisition of Transocean Drilling assets by Aker

Drilling is part of its corporate strategy to expand operations from Norway to Holland, the United Kingdom and other areas of the North Sea as well as to provide access to other international markets.

Aker Drilling will offer continued employment to the rig crews and shore-based personnel of Transocean Drilling.

Kerr-McGee is continuing negotiations for the sale of its remaining, wholly owned Transworld Drilling companies, which operate six jack-up and seven submersible offshore rigs.

CONTACT: Myron K. Cunningham of Kerr-McGee Corp., 405-270-2847; or Reidar Lund of Aker Drilling a.s., 47-4-699678 (Norway)

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#90278p2091 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

OVERLAND, KA. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Passport Travel Inc. (NASDAQ: PPTI) today announced operating results for its third quarter which ended Aug. 31, 1990. The company recorded net income of $8,138, or 1 cent per share, on sales of $10,587,000 in the three- month period ended Aug. 31. In the like period last year, the company recorded net income of $47,415, or 5 cents per share, on sales of $9,319,000.

For the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, Passport Travel recorded net income of $41,689, or 5 cents per share, on sales of $34,256,000. In the like period last year, the company recorded net income of $76,681, or 8 cents per share, on sales of $29,546,000.

"During the third quarter, the company sold an unprofitable Branch office, which resulted in a loss of approximately $30,000," said Leonard Hershman, president of Passport Travel. "Excluding the operations and sale of this particular branch office, the company's 1990 third quarter earnings were comparable to last year."

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#90278p2092 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines' new Chicago Regional Reservations Center opens this afternoon with 900 employees equipped with the latest automation to handle more than 7,000 calls per hour. The $25 million, 120,000-square-foot facility is located at 11555 West Touhy Ave., near the north boundary of O'Hare International Airport.

"The new facility, designed to grow with United's expansion, underscores our

commitment to continued growth in Chicago, our hometown," said Stephen M. Wolf chairman and president. Wolf emphasized that close cooperation with the city of Chicago enabled United to build the facility on an accelerated schedule just 12 months after the site was selected.

By 8 p.m. tonight, all calls will be switched over from the former reservation facility in suburban Elk Grove Township.

The new facility is more than twice the size of the previous Chicago reservations office, with the ability to accommodate up to 2,000 employees by 1993. The Chicago reservations operation currently handles about 1.2 million calls per month. That number is expected to increase to approximately 3 million calls per month by 1993.

To handle this growth, United plans to hire new employees, including reservations sales representatives, supervisory and training staff. A new class of 75 people will begin their 7-week training program Oct. 15.

United's Chicago Regional Reservation Center not only serves the Chicago metropolitan area, but also handles a large portion of the toll- free calls throughout the U.S. It is one of only two United reservations offices open 24 hours a day.

The office handles domestic and international reservations sales, travel agency services, Premier Mileage Plus calls, and includes a special desk that allows hearing-impaired customers to make reservations via a TTY (tele-typewriter) machine.

Also housed in the building is a ticket office with easy access from Touhy Road.

United currently has nine domestic reservations centers and 15 offices in Europe, the Pacific and Mexico.

Later this month, Stephen Wolf will host more than 100 Illinois and Chicago officials, including Chicago's Mayor Richard M. Daley, at an official dedication ceremony for the new building.

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#90278p2110 10/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to today's announcement by NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue that the league will fine Cincinnati Bengal's Coach Sam Wyche for his refusal to admit USA Today reporter Denise Tom to the Bengal's locker room following the Oct. 1 game in Seattle, USA Today Managing

Editor/Sports Gene Policinski made this statement:

"We are pleased the NFL is taking such strong action to enforce league policy on equal access, including rejecting Sam Wyche's 'Plan B' restrictions, which would have admitted women into the locker room but limited interview time to 20 minutes. The quick action by NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue and the warning that any future violations will mean even more severe discipline, supports the basic idea that reporters, male and female, have a legitimate professional role in NFL locker rooms."

USA Today, with nearly 6 million daily readers, is available nationwide. USA Today's International Edition is available worldwide.

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ARLINGTON, VA. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir announced today that William F. Loftus has resigned his positions as senior vice president - finance of USAir and vice president - finance of USAir's parent, USAir Group (NYSE: U), effective Oct. 1.

Loftus resigned to return to the New York area to pursue other career opportunities. USAir expressed its appreciation to Loftus for his work in directing USAir's financial affairs.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, 703-418-5100 or 213-417-1294 (Western Region)

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BLACKBURN, ENGLAND, U.K. (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Platforms Holdings PLC (NASDAQ: STPHF) (Pacific: STP) announced today that a registration statement relating to 945,000 ordinary shares of the company has been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission as of Sept. 28, 1990. The company is offering 245,000 of the ordinary shares in the United States at $4.25 per share and 700,000 of the ordinary shares are being offered by the company in the United Kingdom at 2.25 pounds.

Proceeds will be used by the company for marketing the company's system in the United States, for redemption of preferred shares outstanding, for repayment of existing debt and for working capital and general corporate purposes.

The company is engaged in the business of supplying computer hardware and software and designing and developing data and image storage and retrieval systems for organization which process, file and retrieve large volumes of

paper documents.

The managing underwriters for the offering are Marche' Securities Inc. in the United States and Rickett & Co. Limited in the United Kingdom. The name and address of the contact person in order to obtain a prospectus is Kelley Fritz, Rickett & Co. Limited, 3/5 John Street, London, England EC1M 4AE, 01-253-7174 in the United Kingdom; and John Silseth, Marche' Securities Inc., 512 Nicollet Mall, Suite 400, Minneapolis, MN 55402, 612-338-7721 in the United States.

CONTACT: Kelley Fritz of Rickett & Co. Limited, 01-253-7174; or John Silseth of Marche' Securities Inc., 612-338-7721, for Standard Platforms Holdings

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The textile and apparel industry lost more than 68,000 jobs last year according to data released today by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

The BLS reported that 45,000 apparel workers and 23,000 textile workers have been laid-off since September of 1989. The September 1990 unemployment rate for the apparel industry was 8.4 percent and 6 percent for the textile industry. The national unemployment average is 5.7 percent.

Daniel K. Frierson, chairman of the Fiber, Fabric and Apparel Coalition for Trade (FFACT), commented: "These figures represent only the tip-of-the-iceberg as to what has been taking place in our industry during the past decade. During the last 10 years over 400,000 hard working American textile, apparel and footwear workers have lost their jobs to foreign competitors. These numbers clearly show the erosion of our nation's second largest manufacturing industry. It is a fact textile and apparel manufacturing plants in this country are shutting their doors and closing down in turn sending hardworking Americans to unemployment lines.

"Our economy cannot stand to lose this cornerstone of American industry. The 1990 Textile, Apparel, and Footwear Trade Act of 1990 passed both the House and Senate by overwhelming margins and is sitting on President Bush's desk awaiting his signature. With the president's approval, this legislation could correct this situation. I urge President Bush to sign this bill and save our industry."

CONTACT: Norbert Kraich of Nichols-Dezenhall Communications, 202-296-0263, for the Fiber, Fabric & Apparel Coalition for Trade

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DALLAS (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Soft Warehouse, the largest operator of 'one

stop' computer stores announced expansion plans today for another Los Angeles county superstore located in the City of Industry.

The 18,000-square-foot facility is presently under construction and is scheduled to open late October 1990. City of Industry is only one of several scheduled openings coast-to-coast in a national expansion plan that includes most major metropolitan markets. "The third Los Angeles area store represents our commitment to the Southern California market", said Nathan Morton, president and CEO of the company.

Soft Warehouse offers a variety of personal computers and peripherals, microcomputers, software, accessories and furniture in 11 major U.S. markets. These stores make it possible for the first time for an individual, corporation, government or educational institution to purchase a complete selection of hardware and software products from a single-source at prices that are 30 to 80 percent below retail. "By adding a third superstore in the L.A. market, our customers will have greater convenience and more available means necessary to keep their home or office equipped with the latest technology," said Morton.

In addition, direct-to-corporate telemarketing is conducted from each location throughout the states as well as a variety of computer- related services. Both individual and corporate customers may take advantage of a 24-hour on-site maintenance plan, and leasing options are available to qualified companies. Soft Warehouse even provides a 1-900 technical help line to all PC users regardless of point of purchase.

The City of Industry location will employ approximately 50 individuals and will be located on Gale Avenue, just north of the Pamona freeway (60). Dallas-based Soft Warehouse currently operates 13 retail establishments across the states. Morton added, "We feel confident that customers who shop at Soft Warehouse will be eager to return to take advantage of the quality, service, selection and price that only Soft Warehouse can provide in the California market."

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RIGA (OCT. 5) TASS - LATVIA HAS INTRODUCED QUOTAS FOR EXPORTS TO OTHER SOVIET REPUBLICS.

REPUBLICAN ENTERPRISES AND COOPERATIVES ARE ALLOWED TO SUPPLY MERCHANTABLE WOOD, WOOD PARTICLE BOARD, LUMBER, FURNITURE, MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS, CEMENT, BRICK, MINK, POLAR FOX AND FOX PELTS AND FUR GOODS ONLY WITHIN THESE LIMITS AND ON LICENSES.

IT IS FORBIDDEN TO INDIVIDUALS TO TAKE 49 KINDS OF GOODS AND PRODUCTS OUT OF THE REPUBLIC, INCLUDING REFRIGERATORS, TV SETS, VIDEO RECORDERS, BUILDING MATERIALS, PIANOS, MOPEDS, MOTORCYCLES, SEWING AND WASHING MACHINES, FURNITURE CARPETS AND ALL IMPORTED GOODS AND GOODS FOR CHILDREN.

EACH PERSON IS ALLOWED TO CARRY THROUGH THE CUSTOMS FOOD PRODUCTS WORTH UP TO 20 ROUBLES, UP TO A LITER OF ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND NO MORE THAN ONE PACKAGE OF ANY MEDICINE.

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ADDIS ABABA (OCT. 5) TASS -

THE ETHIOPIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY AND THE RELIEF AND REHABILITATION COMMISSION SENT FLOUR, SALT, BUTTER, BLANKETS AND TENTS TO 2,800 RESIDENTS OF GAMBELA PROVINCE, WHO SUFFERED FROM SEVERE FLOODS IN AUGUST.

TORRENTIAL RAINS CAUSED THE BARO RIVER TO BURST ITS BANKS AND FLOOD VILLAGES LOCATED ALONG THE RIVER. THE FLOODING LEFT THOUSANDS OF ETHIOPIANS HOMELESS. ALL IN ALL, MORE THAN 50,000 ETHIOPIANS WERE VICTIMS. THE DISASTER ALSO STRUCK 300,000 SUDANESE REFUGEES IN THE ITANG CAMP.

PEOPLE, WHO WERE EVACUATED FROM THE FLOOD AREAS AND LIVED IN TEMPORARY SHELTERS, ARE BEGINNING TO RETURN TO THEIR NATIVE HOMES. LIFE IN DISASTER-AFFECTED SETTLEMENTS IS RETURNING TO NORMAL. ELECTRICITY AND TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION LINES WERE RESTORED IN THE CITY OF GAMBELA. FLOUR MILLS THERE HAVE RESUMED OPERATION.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 5) TASS - A TRADE UNION FEDERATION OF WORKERS AND EMPLOYEES WAS SET UP IN THE SOVIET ARMED FORCES BY A CONSTITUENT CONGRESS THAT ENDED HERE ON OCTOBER 4, THE "KRASNAYA ZVEZDA" NEWSPAPER REPORTS TODAY.

THE CONGRESS APPROVED THE NEW FEDERATION'S RULES, ENDORSED THE POWERS OF ITS COUNCIL, WHICH WAS ELECTED BY TRADE UNIONS FROM ALL ARMS OF THE SERVICE. IT DECLARED THE FEDERATION'S INDEPENDENCE FROM STATE, ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL BODIES.

SPARTAK ARZHAVKIN WAS ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL FROM AMONG SEVERAL CANDIDATES. THE CONGRESS ALSO ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES TO THE USSR TRADE UNION CENTRE AND DELEGATES TO THE 19TH CONGRESS OF SOVIET TRADE UNIONS.

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SAN DIEGO, CA (OCTOBER 5) TASS - HEAD OF THE SOVIET ARMED FORCES GENERAL STAFF GENERAL MIKHAIL MOISEYEV, WHO IS ALSO FIRST DEPUTY DEFENSE MINISTER, ON THURSDAY CONTINUED HIS TOUR OF THE UNITED STATES.

HE WATCHED SAN FRANCISCO FROM A HELICOPTER, VISITED SEVERAL WARSHIPS, A SUBMARINE AND A PACIFIC MARINES TRAINING CENTRE AT SAN DIEGO, THE U.S. LARGEST NAVAL BASE ON THE PACIFIC COAST, AND A U.S. NAVY AIR BASE ON NORTH ISLAND.

BEFORE HIS RETURN TO WASHINGTON ON FRIDAY, MOISEYEV IS EXPECTED TO VISIT THE PETERSON AIR BASE IN COLORADO AND VIEW FROM A HELICOPTER COLORADO SPRINGS, WHERE THE U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY IS SITUATED, AND THE PIKE'S PEAK. HE WILL ALSO VISIT AN UNDERGROUND COMPLEX OF THE NORTH AMERICAN AIR DEFENSE COMMAND (NORAD) NEAR CHEYENNE, WYOMING.

THROUGHOUT HIS TOUR, MOISEYEV IS BEING ACCOMPANIED BY CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S. JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF COLIN POWELL, WHO INVITED THE SOVIET GENERAL TO THE U.S. ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT.

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DUSHANBE (OCTOBER 5) TASS - THE TADZHIK KGB HAVE DETAINED NURALI NAZAROV, SUSPECTED OF INVOLVEMENT IN TERRORIST ACTS DURING MASS UNREST IN DUSHANBE LAST FEBRUARY.

INVESTIGATING TEAMS OF THE REPUBLICAN KGB AND THE INTERIOR MINISTRY CONTINUE TO IDENTIFY PARTICIPANTS AND ORGANIZERS OF THE FEBRUARY RIOTS.

ABOUT 80 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN SENTENCED TO VARIOUS PRISON TERMS BY THE TADZHIK SUPREME COURT.

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#90278t2961 10/05/1990 ~ts

ALMA ATA (OCTOBER 5) TASS - THE KAZAKHSTAN MEDICO-SANITARY SERVICE HAS LIFTED A QUARANTINE IMPOSED ON THE CITY OF ARALSK IN MID-SEPTEMBER AFTER AN OUTBREAK OF PLAGUE IN THE CITY IN WHICH ONE PERSON DIED.

CAMEL MEAT, WHICH WAS INTENDED FOR SALE AT THE CITY MARKET, WAS THE CAUSE OF THE OUTBREAK, PHYSICIANS BELIEVE. MEDICAL SPECIALISTS MANAGED TO IDENTIFY AND HOSPITALISE ALL WHO HAD CONTACT WITH THE TWO PLAGUE PATIENTS -- SOME 250 PEOPLE.

ALTHOUGH THE QUARANTINE ON ARALSK HAS BEEN LIFTED, DISEASE PREVENTION WORK IS CONTINUING THERE. MASS INOCULATIONS OF THE POPULATION ARE UNDER WAY. EXPEDITIONARY PARTIES OF MEDICS ARE TREATING RODENT BURROWS WITH PESTICIDES TO DESTROY FLEAS THAT ARE SPECIFIC CARRIERS OF PLAGUE.

"THIS YEAR FOUR PLAGUE CASES WERE RECORDED IN KAZAKHSTAN -- TWO NEAR THE NORTH-EASTERN COAST OF THE CASPIAN AND TWO IN ARALSK, KZYL ORDA REGION. IN TWO CASES, THOSE WHO WERE TAKEN ILL COULD NOT BE SAVED BECAUSE OF LATE DIAGNOSIS," PROFESSOR VLADIMIR STEPANOV, HEAD OF THE ANTI-PLAGUE INSTITUTE IN ALMA ATA, TOLD TASS.

THE INSTITUTE SPECIALISTS HAVE NOW BEGUN TO MONITOR RODENTS. A COMPUTER-AIDED FORECAST WILL THEN BE MADE ABOUT THE EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC FOR 1991.

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MOSCOW (OCTOBER 5) TASS - A MEETING OF SEVERAL POLITICAL PARTIES AND MOVEMENTS IN MOSCOW ON THURSDAY WAS CROWNED WITH THE FORMATION OF A RADICAL CENTRE-LEFT OPPOSITION BLOC OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND MOVEMENTS.

BLOC LEADER ALEXEI BRUMEL SAID IT INCORPORATED A GROUP OF RADICALS OF THE MOSCOW POPULAR FRONT, THE RUSSIAN DEMOCRATIC FORUM, THE ASSOCIATION OF SOVIET-U.S. INTEGRATION AND SEVERAL OTHER POLITICAL PARTIES AND MOVEMENTS.

"OUR PRINCIPAL GOALS ARE TO BUILD A FREE, DEMOCRATIC AND HUMANE SOCIETY, POOL EFFORTS IN RE-ORGANISING THE STATE AND STRUGGLE AGAINST THE ULTRA-RIGHT AND ULTRA-LEFT GROUPS IN THE COUNTRY," BRUMEL TOLD TASS.

BRUMEL SAID THAT PARTICIPANTS IN THE MEETING "DEVELOPED PRINCIPLES OF THEIR ORGANISATION'S POLITICAL ACTIVITY. THEY INCLUDE ATTAINING GOALS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE LAW AND PREVENTING THE FANNING UP OF NATIONAL AND RELIGIOUS STRIFE".

ON THE NEW BLOC'S COOPERATION WITH THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY AND OTHER POLITICAL PARTIES, BRUMEL SAID THAT "TO PREVENT FURTHER CONFRONTATION IN SOCIETY, WE ARE WILLING TO COOPERATE WITH ANY IDEOLOGICAL MOVEMENTS."

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DUSHANBE (OCTOBER 5) TASS - THE TADZHIK PARLIAMENT, WHICH MET IN SESSION HERE TODAY, IS TO DETERMINE ITS ATTITUDE TO THE EXISTING PROGRAMS TO STABILIZE THE SOVIET NATIONAL ECONOMY AND SWITCH OVER TO A MARKET ECONOMY. THIS IS THE MAIN ITEM OF ITS FIVE-POINT AGENDA.

THE INDEPENDENT EXPERTS COMMISSION OF THE TADZHIK SUPREME SOVIET CARRIED OUT PRELIMINARY TALKS ON THE PROGRAMS. IT ANALYZED THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATE OF THE REPUBLIC ON THE EVE OF ITS TRANSITION TO A MARKET ECONOMY. A SMALL GROUP OF PARLIAMENT MEMBERS BELIEVE THE PRESIDENT'S PROGRAM IS MORE SUITABLE IN LOCAL CONDITIONS. THE REST APPEAR TO PREFER THE GOVERNMENT'S CONCEPT.

THE TADZHIK PARLIAMENT IS ALSO EXPECTED TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEM OF CONSCRIPTION. MANY YOUNG PEOPLE, CALLED UP IN THE REPUBLIC, ARE SENT TO MILITARY CONSTRUCTION UNITS DUE TO THEIR POOR KNOWLEDGE OF THE RUSSIAN LANGUAGE. THESE UNITS ARE NOTORIOUS FOR VARIOUS NEGATIVE ARMY PHENOMENA, EVOKING PROTESTS FROM PARENTS AND RELATIVES. THE YOUTH COMMITTEE OF THE TADZHIK PARLIAMENT HAS DRAWN UP SEVERAL MEASURES TO IMPROVE THE MILITARY SERVICE PROCEDURE.

PARLIAMENT IS TO ENDORSE OR ANNUL THE DECISION OF THE PRESIDIUM OF THE REPUBLIC'S SUPREME SOVIET BANNING THE CONVOCATION OF A ZONAL CONFERENCE OF THE ISLAMIC RENAISSANCE PARTY IN DUSHANBE.

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#90278t2964 10/05/1990 ~ts

NICOSIA (OCTOBER 5) TASS - "THE CYPRUS PRESIDENT'S FORTHCOMING VISIT TO THE USSR IS EXPECTED TO FURTHER PROMOTE COOPERATION AND TRADITIONAL FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE SOVIET AND THE CYPRUS PEOPLES," LEADER OF THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY DELEGATION V. KUPTSOV TOLD THE 17TH CONGRESS OF THE PROGRESSIVE WORKERS' PARTY OF CYPRUS (AKEL). HE DESCRIBED RELATIONS BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND CYPRUS AS FRIENDLY.

"THIS IS CONFIRMED BY THE GROWING UNDERSTANDING AND EXPANDING RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES," HE SAID, "WHICH HAVE FOUND EXPRESSION IN THE MESSAGES EXCHANGED BETWEEN PRESIDENTS MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND GEORGIOS VASSILIOU VISITS AND MEETINGS AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL AND EXCHANGES OF VARIOUS DELEGATIONS."

KUPTSOV SAID THAT SOVIET PERESTROIKA, WHICH IS INALIENABLY LINKED WITH A POLICY THAT IS BASED ON NEW THINKING IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, HAD CONTRIBUTED IN MANY WAYS TO FAVOURABLE CHANGES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. "THEY INCLUDE SUCH IMPORTANT STEPS AS THE REDUCTION OF TWO TYPES OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND THE FIRM RESOLUTION TO CUT CONVENTIONAL FORCES IN EUROPE AND TO BAN AND SCRAP ALL CHEMICAL WEAPONS. VERY REASSURING IS THE FACT THAT DEFENCE DOCTRINES ARE BEING REVISED, POLITICAL ASPECTS OF MILITARY BLOCS ARE BEING EMPHASISED AND NEW SECURITY STRUCTURES ARE BEING CREATED IN EUROPE," HE STRESSED.

TURNING TO THE GULF CRISIS, KUPTSOV SAID THE SOVIET UNION WANTED IRAQ TO FULFIL UNCONDITIONALLY ALL U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS, TO WITHDRAW ITS TROOPS FROM KUWAIT, TO RELEASE FOREIGN HOSTAGES, TO RESTORE THE SOVEREIGNTY OF THAT STATE. HE EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE SITUATION AROUND THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA.

"WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THIS REGION BECOME A ZONE OF PEACE AND COOPERATION, SO THAT THERE WOULD BE NO MORE SEATS OF TENSION OR FOREIGN MILITARY BASES THERE. WARSHIPS CARRYING NUCLEAR WEAPONS MUST BE WITHDRAWN FROM THE REGION. WE HOPE THIS IDEA WILL BE SUPPORTED BY A SPECIAL CONFERENCE HELD DURING THE MEETING ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE," KUPTSOV STRESSED.

"RELATIONS BETWEEN THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY AND AKEL ASSUME PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE IN THE CURRENT DIFFICULT AND QUICKLY CHANGING SITUATION," KUPTSOV SAID. "SOVIET COMMUNISTS REAFFIRM THEIR SUPPORT OF AKEL'S JUST STRUGGLE FOR THE WORKING PEOPLE'S SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC RIGHTS, IN THE INTERESTS OF ALL THE CYPRUS PEOPLE."

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KABUL (OCTOBER 5) TASS - THE AFGHAN GOVERNMENT POSSESSES RELIABLE INFORMATION THAT SOME PAKISTANI CIRCLES AND THE COUNTRY'S MILITARY INTELLIGENCE ARE NURTURING PLANS FOR AN ATTACK ON KABUL AND SOME OTHER PROVINCES IN THE COUNTRY SAYS A GOVERNMENT STATEMENT CIRCULATED HERE ON THURSDAY.

ACCORDING TO EXISTING DATA, PAKISTANI TROOPS ARE INVOLVED IN COMBAT OPERATIONS IN SOME BORDER PROVINCES. THE STEPPED UP MISSILE ATTACKS ON KABUL, WHICH HAVE KILLED DOZENS OF CITY RESIDENTS, ARE EVIDENCE OF NEW CRIMINAL ASPIRATIONS BY THE WAR ADVOCATES.

PAKISTANI MILITARY CIRCLES ARE TRYING TO DIVERT THE PUBLIC AWAY FROM A PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF THE AFGHAN CONFLICT, WHILE THE SOVIET UNION'S AND THE UNITED STATES' POSITIONS ON AFGHANISTAN ARE CLOSER NOW THAN THEY HAVE EVER BEEN, THE STATEMENT POINTS OUT.

AFTER THE GENEVA ACCORDS WERE SIGNED, PRACTICAL CONDITIONS WERE CREATED FOR A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF THE AFGHAN PROBLEM. FOLLOWING THE WITHDRAWAL OF SOVIET TROOPS, VARIOUS PLANS WERE PUT FORWARD FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PEACE IN AFGHANISTAN.

THE AFGHAN GOVERNMENT, ONCE AGAIN STATING ITS DESIRE FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE CONFLICT, SEEKS TO ALERT THE UNITED NATIONS TO THE DANGER OF AN ARMED AGGRESSION ON THE PART OF PAKISTAN.

THE AFGHAN GOVERNMENT URGES ISLAMABAD TO REFRAIN FROM FURTHER AGGRAVATING THE SITUATION, WHICH MAY LEAD TO THE OUTBREAK OF A SERIOUS REGIONAL CRISIS. THE AFGHAN ARMED FORCES ARE PREPARED TO ISSUE A CRUSHING REBUFF TO AGGRESSORS IN ANY PLACE AND UNDER ANY CONDITIONS, THE STATEMENT EMPHASISES.

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WASHINGTON OCTOBER 5 TASS - U.S. PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH HAS BEGUN PRIVATE CONSULTATIONS WITH MEMBERS OF THE U.S. CONGRESS CONCERNING THE POSSIBILITY OF USING FORCE IN THE GULF.

THE WASHINGTON POST NEWSPAPER WRITES TODAY THAT BUSH HAS TAKEN THIS STEP IN ORDER TO LEARN ABOUT POSSIBLE OBJECTIONS BY LEGISLATORS IF HE ORDERS U.S.

FORCES IN THE MIDDLE EAST TO BEGIN COMBAT ACTIONS.

THE CONGRESS SUSPENDS ITS ACTIVITIES ON OCTOBER 19 UNTIL THE END OF THE YEAR, BECAUSE ELECTIONS ARE SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER. BUSH IS TRYING TO SOUND LEGISLATORS' POSITIONS IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY OBJECTIONS.

THE CLOSED MEETINGS ARE ATTENDED BY THE HEADS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE FOR DEFENSE AFFAIRS.

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NUKUS, UZBEKISTAN (OCTOBER 5) TASS - AN INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM "THE ARAL CRISIS: ITS CAUSES AND WAYS TO SOLVE IT" HAS ENDED IN NUKUS, CAPITAL OF THE KARA-KALPAK SOVIET AUTONOMOUS REPUBLIC IN THE NORTH OF UZBEKISTAN. PARTICIPANTS HANDED OVER TO THE REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT A PACKAGE OF PROPOSALS TO SAVE THE ARAL SEA.

THE SYMPOSIUM, WHICH WAS SPONSORED BY THE UNITED NATIONS, THE ARAL SCIENTIFIC-RESEARCH COORDINATING CENTRE AND THE SOVIET ACADEMY OF SCIENCES' GEOGRAPHY INSTITUTE, DREW SCIENTISTS FROM 14 COUNTRIES.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO SAVE THE ARAL SEA WERE DEVELOPED ON THE BASIS OF PROJECTS BY SOVIET AND FOREIGN SCIENTISTS WHO SUMMARISED INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE IN SOLVING SIMILAR PROBLEMS. SOVIET CENTRAL ASIAN REPUBLICS WILL USE THESE RECOMMENDATIONS AS A FOUNDATION FOR AN INTER-REGIONAL TREATY ON SALVAGING THE ARAL SEA. SCIENTISTS BELIEVE THAT AN ECOLOGICAL CATASTROPHE, WHICH MAY TRIGGER IRREVERSIBLE PROCESSES IN OTHER COUNTRIES, CAN BE STEMMED ONLY BY JOINT EFFORTS.

THE ARAL IS AN ENCLOSED SALT LAKE LOCATED AT THE JOINT OF THE KARA-KUM AND KYZYL-KUM"DESERTS AND IS AN IMPORTANT NATURAL REGULATOR, DETERMINING CLIMATIC CONDITIONS. ECONOMIC ACTIVITY CAUSED ITS WATERS TO DECREASE ALMOST THREE-FOLD AND THE WATER LEVEL TO DROP BY 14 METERS. WATER SALINITY INCREASED SEVERAL TIMES AND FISH HAVE NOW ALL BUT VANISHED. THE CLIMATE IN THE AREA OF THE ARAL SEA HAS CHANGED DRASTICALLY. INTENSIVE DESERTIFICATION IS UNDER WAY. ALL THIS IS HAVING A KNOCK-ON EFFECT ON PEOPLE'S HEALTH.

"SIXTY PER CENT OF THE KARA-KALPAK REPUBLIC'S POPULATION NEEDS URGENT MEDICAL TREATMENT," ACADEMICIAN SOBYR KAMALOV SAID IN HIS SPEECH. "THE CHILD MORTALITY RATE IN THE AREA OF THE SEA IS ALMOST THREE TIMES AS HIGH AS IN OTHER REGIONS OF THE SOVIET UNION. GENE LINKS WILL BEGIN TO BE MODIFIED IN THE HUMAN ORGANISM ALREADY IN TEN TO FIFTEEN YEARS, WHICH WILL ENTAIL THE BIOLOGICAL DEGENERATION OF PEOPLES. THE SAME ATTENTION SHOULD BE CALLED TO THE PROBLEMS OF ARAL AS TO THE CHERNOBYL ACCIDENT," KAMALOV STRESSED.

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#90278t2973 10/05/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (OCTOBER 5) TASS - THE MORE ACTIVE ROLE BEING PLAYED BY SOVIET REPUBLICS SUPPLEMENTS AND ENRICHES SOVIET-HUNGARIAN COOPERATION, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN YURI GREMITSKIKH SAID AT A BRIEFING HERE TODAY. HE ANSWERED JOURNALISTS' QUESTIONS ABOUT THE RESULTS OF THE RECENT VISIT OF PRESIDENT ARPAD GONCZ OF HUNGARY TO THE UKRAINE.

HE STRESSED THAT THE UKRAINE AND HUNGARY HAVE TRADITIONALLY MAINTAINED MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL RELATIONS, AND THEIR FURTHER DEVELOPMENT IS FULLY IN LINE WITH PRINCIPLES RECORDED IN THE SOVIET CONSTITUTION. THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN WELCOMED THE READINESS, EXPRESSED IN A JOKNT STATEMENT, TO DEEPEN RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UKRAINE AND HUNGARY IN THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND HUMANITARIAN SPHERES, INCLUDING IN ENSURING THE RIGHTS OF NATIONAL MINORITIES.

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NEW YORK, U.N. (OCTOBER 5) TASS - A REGULAR WORKING MEETING BETWEEN SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE AND U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER BEGAN HERE TODAY. THIS IS THEIR FOURTH MEETING IN NEW YORK DURING THE PAST WEEK AND A HALF.

THEY HAD TOLD JOURNALISTS EARLIER THAT AT THE MEETING THEY WOULD TRY TO FIND SOLUTIONS TO A NUMBER OF KEY PROBLEMS DEALING WITH TALKS ON CONCLUDING A TREATY ON STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMAMENTS.

THEY WILL ALSO SETTLE ALL PROBLEMS DEALING WITH THE AGREEMENT ON THE REDUCTION OF CONVENTIONAL ARMAMENTS IN EUROPE AS AN INDISPENSABLE CONDITION FOR HOLDING THE ALL-EUROPEAN SUMMIT IN PARIS THIS NOVEMBER, THEY SAID.

QUESTIONED ON WHETHER IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO FINISH THIS WORK TODAY, SHEVARDNADZE AND BAKER SUGGESTED THAT THEY WAIT AND SEE. SHEVARDNADZE SAID THAT THEY WERE IN A SERIOUS MOOD. OTHERWISE THEY WOULD NOT HAVE MET FOUR TIMES.

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#90278t2995 10/05/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (OCTOBER 5) TASS - A GROUP OF SOVIET PARLIAMENTARIANS HAS VOICED "ALARM AND BEWILDERMENT" IN CONNECTION WITH SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE'S STATEMENT AT THE UNITED NATIONS ON THE POSSIBILITY OF SENDING A SOVIET MILITARY CONTINGENT TO THE GULF.

THE GROUP, CALLING ITSELF SOYUZ (UNION), UNITES MORE THAN 400 SOVIET PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES. IT FAVOURS THE PRESERVATION OF A STRONG SOVIET UNION AND OPPOSES SECESSIONIST TENDENCIES.

THE GROUP SAID IN A STATEMENT RELEASED IN MOSCOW TODAY THAT ALTHOUGH "THE

IRAQI OCCUPATION OF KUWAIT CANNOT BUT CAUSE INDIGNATION AND CONDEMNATION BY ALL HONEST PEOPLE", THE ISSUE SHOULD BE SOLVED "BY POLITICAL MEANS AND NOT BY THE USE OF MILITARY FORCE".

THE GROUP'S COORDINATOR VIKTOR ALKSNIS TOLD TASS THAT THE GROUP'S REACTION HAD BEEN PROMPTED BY THE FACT THAT SOVIET PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES HAD NOT BEEN INFORMED ABOUT THE DECISION BEHIND SHEVARDNADZE'S STATEMENT.

HE POINTED OUT THAT THE DECISION HAD NOT BEEN SUBMITTED FOR THE PRELIMINARY CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET AND SAID THE GROUP HAS DEMANDED AN IMMEDIATE PARLIAMENTARY INVESTIGATION OF THE ISSUE.

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#90278t2996 10/05/1990 ~ts

BAKU (OCTOBER 5) AZERINFORM-TASS - SLIGHTLY OVER HALF OF ALL VOTERS IN THE AZERBAIJANI CAPITAL BAKU USED THEIR RIGHT TO VOTE AT THE ELECTION TO THE SUPREME SOVIET AND LOCAL COUNCILS IN THIS TRANSCAUCASIAN SOVIET REPUBLIC.

A TASS CORRESPONDENT LEARNED FROM UNOFFICIAL SOURCES THAT 52 PER CENT OF VOTERS PARTICIPATED IN THE ELECTION. THE CENTRAL ELECTORAL COMMISSION, USING ITS CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT UNDER WHICH IT HAS TEN DAYS TO SUM UP THE RESULTS, HAS NOT YET INFORMED THE PUBLIC.

THE CENTRAL ELECTORAL COMMITTEE, WHICH RECEIVES INFORMATION FROM ALL OVER THE REPUBLIC, IS IN NO HASTE EITHER TO CONFIRM OR DENY UNOFFICIAL RESULTS. IT IS REPORTED HERE THAT 75 OUT OF THE 81 HEADS OF CITY AND DISTRICT PARTY COMMITTEES HAVE ALREADY BECOME DEPUTIES.

IT IS KNOWN THAT ELECTIONS WERE CONCLUDED IN 268 OUT OF THE 349 ELECTION DISTRICTS, WHILE A NEW ROUND OF ELECTIONS FOR A SEAT IN PARLIAMENT WILL BE HELD IN OTHER DISTRICTS. THERE IS INFORMATION THAT MORE THAN 20 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE AZERBAIJAN DEMOCRATIC BLOC WERE ELECTED TO THE SUPREME SOVIET.

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MOSCOW (OCTOBER 50 TASS - ON AUGUST 4, PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV ISSUED A DECREE "ON HIGH PRIORITY MEASURES FOR THE TRANSFER TO MARKET RELATIONS", A MOVE THAT PRESIDENTIAL AID FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS NIKOLAI PETRAKOV DESCRIBED AS A MOVE FROM MERE WORDS TO ACTION.

HE WAS SPEAKING AT A JOINT NEWS CONFERENCE WITH DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER LEONID ABALKIN DEVOTED TO THE LATEST PRESIDENTIAL DECREE.

ABALKIN NOTED THAT THE DECREE CONCERNED THE MARKET'S KEY PROBLEM, THAT OF PRICING, ABOVE ALL WHOLESALE PRICING. HE SAID THE DECREE MARKED A MAJOR STEP

IN WAIVING ADMINISTRATIVE PRICING OF TECHNICAL GOODS AND TOWARDS AGREED, CONTRACT PRICES.

IT IS EXPECTED, ABALKIN SAID, THAT ECONOMIC RELATIONS IN 1991 WILL BE BASED ON RESPECTIVE AGREEMENTS ON TERMS AND VOLUMES OF SUPPLIES AND PRICES FOR PRODUCTS.

ACCORDING TO ABALKIN, A LIST OF PRICES HAS BEEN COMPILED TO PROVIDE INITIAL REFERENCE POINTS FOR SUCH AGREEMENTS. THERE ARE INDUSTRIES, HE POINTED OUT, WHICH CALL FOR PRESERVING PRICES AT THEIR CURRENT LEVEL.

HE SAID ABOUT 70 PER CENT OF ALL PRICES WILL BE ESTABLISHED BY CONTRACT, AND 30 PER CENT WILL BE FIXED CENTRALLY. IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN A BALANCE BETWEEN THE TOWN AND THE COUNTRY, FOR INSTANCE, THE CENTRE WILL DECREE STABLE PRICES FOR SOME MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT AND ENERGY RESOURCES.

PETRAKOV DESCRIBED THE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE AS "A DECISIVE PRACTICAL STEP TOWARDS A MARKET-BASED ECONOMY". HE SAID IT WAS NECESSARY TO CREATE A COMPETITIVE MARKET BECAUSE IN A MARKET- ORIENTED ECONOMY PRICING SHOULD TAKE PLACE UNDER COMPETITION.

RESPONDING TO QUESTIONS FROM JOURNALISTS, PETRAKOV SAID THAT A DRAFT PRESIDENTIAL DECREE HAS BEEN DRAWN UP TO CHANGE THE ROUBLE'S COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE RATE USED BY SOVIET ENTERPRISES. THE DRAFT DECREE, HE SAID, IS NOW BEING CONSIDERED BY THE LEADERSHIPS OF SOVIET REPUBLICS PRIOR TO ITS SIGNING BY THE PRESIDENT.

ABALKIN SAID THE MOST DELICATE QUESTION WAS THAT OF RETAIL PRICES. SPEAKING ABOUT THE TERMS FOR THE SOLUTION OF THIS PROBLEM, HE NOTED THAT TWO WAYS WERE BEING CONSIDERED -- RETAIL PRICE RISES BY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES AND THE GRADUAL RELAXATION OF CONTROLS ON THEM.

"THE DECISION HAS NOT YET BEEN MADE," HE SAID AND NOTED THAT THIS "VERY RESPONSIBLE STEP" COULD NOT BE PUT OFF INDEFINITELY, DESPITE ITS COMPLEXITY AND UNPOPULARITY.

COMMENTING ON THE PREPARATION OF A SINGLE PLAN FOR THE TRANSITION TO A MARKET-BASED ECONOMY, ABALKIN CALLED UPON THE MEDIA NOT TO PRESENT THE ISSUE AS A GLADIATOR BATTLE.

"WE ARE ALL EQUALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE FATE OF THE COUNTRY AND THE PEOPLE AND ARE LOOKING FOR SOLUTIONS THAT WOULD BE MOST EFFECTIVE AND LEAST PAINFUL FOR THE POPULATION," HE SAID.

ABALKIN TOLD THE NEWS CONFERENCE THAT AN ANTI-MONOPOLY COMMITTEE WOULD BE SET UP WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE TRANSITION TO THE MARKET AND THE CREATION OF RESPECTIVE NEW STRUCTURES IN THE SOVIET UNION.

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TALLINN (OCTOBER 5) ETA-TASS - ESTONIAN NEWSPAPERS PUBLISHED ON FRIDAY THE DOCUMENT DRAFTED BY ESTONIAN GOVERNMENT ABOUT THE GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF PRIVATIZATION WHICH SHOULD BECOME PART OF COMPREHENSIVE STAGE-BY-STAGE REFORM OF PROPERTY IN ESTONIA.

THE DOCUMENT SAYS THAT CHIEF PURPOSES OF THE REFORM ARE THE WIDENING OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND OF THE RIGHTS OF ENTREPRENEURS, AS WELL AS THE LIMITATION OF THE STATES' ROLE IN ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT.

URGENT ECONOMIC MEASURES TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN THREE STAGES INCLUDE THE RETURN OF NATIONALIZED AND FORCIBLY SOCIALISED PROPERTY, THE REALISATION OF THE UNUSED PROPERTY OF STATE ENTERPRISES, INSTITUTIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS, AS WELL AS OF COMPLETE PROPERTY OF BASIC BRANCHES OF THE INDUSTRY, CONSTRUCTION, AGRICULTURE, SERVICING AND TRADE, THE SOCIAL AREA AND HOUSING. THERE ARE PLANS FOR WIDE USE OF CREDITING AND FOR LEASING PROPERTY WITH FIXING THE TERMS ON WHICH IT CAN BE BOUGHT OUT.

THE DOCUMENT SAYS THAT AT PRESENT THERE IS NO NEED TO LINK RESTRICTIONS ON THE SUBJECTS OF PRIVATIZATION WITH ESTONIAN CITIZENSHIP. HOWEVER, ONE SHOULD BE REGISTERED AS AN ESTONIAN RESIDENT WITH A CERTAIN MINIMAL DURATION OF RESIDENCY, FOR INSTANCE, TEN YEARS.

THE ESTONIAN GOVERNMENT WILL SET UP A DEPARTMENT OF STATE PROPERTY TO ORGANIZE THE PROCESS OF PRIVATIZATION. IT WILL INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES OF VARIOUS AGENCIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

THE PRIVATIZATION IS TO BE IMPLEMENTED PUBLICLY, SPECIFICALLY THROUGH SALES OR A COMPETITION. STATE ENTERPRISES CAN OFFER ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMMES OF THEIR DEVELOPMENT.

THE FIRST STAGE OF PRIVATIZATION IS PLANNED TO BE STARTED THIS YEAR. FOR THE SECOND STAGE, THE ESTONIAN PARLIAMENT MUST ADOPT THE MAIN LEGISLATIVE DOCUMENTS ON PRIVATIZATION. INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS CAN ALSO PARTICIPATE IN EDITING THE PROPOSED CONCEPT, ADDRESSING THEIR REMARKS AND SUPPLEMENTS TO THE ESTONIAN MINISTRY OF ECONOMICS TILL OCTOBER 20, 1990.

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#90278t3000 10/05/1990 ~ts
JURMALA (OCTOBER 5) TASS - PRIME MINISTERS OF THE THREE BALTIC REPUBLICS MET TODAY IN JURMALA, LATVIA, TO DISCUSS TOPICAL ECONOMIC PROBLEMS. HEADS OF VARIOUS MINISTRIES ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE CONFERENCE.

AT A RECENT MEETING OF THE PRESIDIUM OF THE LATVIAN PARLIAMENT, DEPUTIES CRITICISED THE GOVERNMENT FOR DELAYS IN WORKING OUT LAWS THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN ADOPTED IN THE TWO OTHER BALTIC REPUBICS. THUS, ESTONIA HAS ALREADY

ADOPTED LAWS ON PROPERTY AND ON TAXES. LATVIA HAS NOT BEGUN TO ANALYSE ITS OWN PLANS AS YET. LATVIAN PREMIER IVARS GODMANIS ADMITTED THAT THIS CRITICISM IS DESERVED. HIS STATEMENT THAT, ACCORDING TO PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES, THE BUDGET FOR THE NEXT YEAR WILL RUN A DEFICIT OF 1,5 BILLION ROUBLES CAUSED THE DEPUTIES' CONCERN.

DEPUTIES WERE ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT THE GROWTH OF STATE PRICES IN NEIGHBOURING REPUBLICS. IT WILL BE MORE PROFITABLE FOR LATVIAN PEASANTS TO TAKE THEIR PRODUCE TO ESTONIA, THAN TO SUPPLY LOCAL RESIDENTS WITH IT. AS CUSTOMS POSTS ARE LACKING, THIS PROCESS WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO ARREST (CUSTOMS POSTS HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED ONLY ON BORDERS WITH BYELORUSSIA AND RUSSIA).

IN THESE CONDITIONS THE LATVIAN GOVERNMENT WILL FIND IT DIFFICULT TO FULFIL THE PROMISE THAT THERE WILL BE NO PRICE INCREASES IN LATVIA.

THE PROBLEMS WITH FUEL, STORING VEGETABLES AND POTATOES AND THE SUPPLY OF THE REPUBLICS WITH RAW MATERIALS FOR INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES HAVE BECOME MORE ACUTE AS WINTER DRAWS NEAR. OBSERVERS BELIEVE THAT THESE AND OTHER QUESTIONS WILL BE RAISED AT THE MEETING IN JURMALA TODAY.

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#90278t3001 10/05/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW OCTOBER 5 TASS - CHAIRMAN OF THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT ANATOLY LUKYANOV AND HEADS OF A NUMBER OF SUPREME SOVIET COMMITTEES AND PERMANENT COMMISSIONS OF THE CHAMBERS MET IN THE KREMLIN TODAY WITH A LARGE GROUP OF SENIOR EXECUTIVES FROM MAJOR INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES. THEY DISCUSSED THE STABILISATION OF THE ECONOMY AND THE TRANSITION TO A MARKET-BASED SYSTEM.

AGREEMENT WAS REACHED AT THE MEETING ABOUT THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF HEADS OF INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES IN THE WORK OF THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT AND ITS BODIES DURING THE WORKING OUT OF BILLS AND OTHER ACTS, NEEDED FOR SPEEDING UP THE TRANSITION OF THE COUNTRY TO REGULATED MARKET RELATIONS, THE PUTTING THINGS IN ORDER AND THE TOUGHENING OF DISCIPLINE IN ALL SPHERE OF THE LIFE OF SOCIETY, AS WELL AS THE TOUGHENING OF CONTROL OVER THE FULFILMENT OF STATE RESOLUTIONS.

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#90278t3004 10/05/1990 ~ts

PRAGUE (OCT. 5) TASS - "IN THE FIRST HALF OF THE CURRENT YEAR SOVIET OIL DELIVERIES TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA WERE ON A SUFFICIENT LEVEL. THEY WERE CARRIED OUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROTOCOL ON TRADE TURNOVER FOR 1990, SIGNED BY THE USSR AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA, WHICH ENVISAGES THE DELIVERY OF 16.6 MILLION TONNES OF OIL," SOVIET COMMERCIAL REPRESENTATIVE IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA IVAN PANTELEEV TOLD TASS.

HE SAID THAT THE TREND TOWARDS THE REDUCTION OF OIL EXPORTS EMERGED LAST JULY BECAUSE OF THE WORSENING ECONOMIC SITUATION IN THE USSR AND, IN THE FIRST

PLACE, IN OIL-PRODUCING REGIONS".

DESCRIBING THE SITUATION WITH SOVIET OIL EXPORTS, PANTELEEV SAID THAT THE REDUCTION OF OIL DELIVERIES AFFECTED NOT ONLY CZECHOSLOVAKIA, BUT ALSO OTHER EAST AND CENTRAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. "IT IS NOT THAT THERE IS SOME DISCRIMINATION AGAINST CZECHOSLOVAKIA", PANTELEEV POINTED OUT. HE EXPRESSED HIS EMPHATIC DISAGREEMENT WITH THE VIEW, VOICED IN SOME CASES, THAT THE SOVIET UNION REDUCED ITS OIL EXPORTS FOR POLITICAL REASONS.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 4) UPI - Andy Van Slyke bounced a ground-rule double to snap a tie in the seventh inning and Sid Bream smashed a two-run homer Thursday night, powering the Pittsburgh Pirates to a 4-3 victory over the Cincinnati Reds in the opening game of the National League playoffs.

Game 2 of the best-of-seven series is scheduled for Friday afternoon at Riverfront Stadium.

With the score tied 3-3 in the seventh, Gary Redus pinch hit for Pirates' starter Bob Walk and blooped a single to shallow right off loser Norm Charlton. Redus stole second and Jay Bell walked. Van Slyke ripped a drive that went over the head of left fielder Eric Davis and bounded over the wall to produce the game-winning run.

Walk survived a shaky first inning and lasted six to get the win. He surrendered three runs and four hits, with five strikeouts and two walks. Stan Belinda pitched a perfect seventh and eighth, but the Reds nearly rallied to tie it in the ninth.

Todd Benzinger singled off reliever Bob Patterson in the inning and Eric Davis followed with a walk. Pinch hitter Ron Oester bunted, but Patterson fired to third to nail Benzinger, with Davis advancing to second.

Ted Power relieved and Billy Bates pinch ran for Oester. Bates was nailed at second on a double steal, but lead runner Davis advanced to third. Power then struck out Chris Sabo swinging to record the save.

Cincinnati starter Jose Rijo lasted 5 1-3 innings, giving up three runs and four hits. The fireballing right-hander struck out eight, but hurt himself with three walks.

Cincinnati jumped to a 3-0 first-inning lead, thanks mainly to back- to-back doubles by Davis and Paul O'Neill. But the Pirates battled back and tied it 3-3 in the fourth on Bream's towering two-run homer.

The Reds tore into Walk right off the bat, turning three hits, a walk and an

error into three runs in the first inning.

Barry Larkin led off with a walk, moved to second on a sacrifice by Billy Hatcher and scored on a Hal Morris line-drive single between third and short.

Davis then blasted a double to right and Morris raced home from first when right fielder Bobby Bonilla bobbled the ball for an error. Davis took third on the miscue. O'Neill followed with a double to right-center to score Davis and give Cincinnati a 3-0 advantage.

The Pirates, after going down in order the first two innings, finally reached Rijo in the third to pull to within 3-1. But, the Pirates should have scored more in the inning, stranding a runner on third with no outs.

Mike LaValliere opened the third by drawing a walk and the husky catcher made it home from first on Jose Lind's triple that hugged the first-base line and skipped all the way to the right field corner. Right fielder O'Neill made it easier for the slow-running LaValliere to score by falling down as he fielded the ball against the wall.

That left the Pirates with a runner on third and no outs, but Rijo avoided further trouble by striking out Walk and Backman and getting Jay Bell to pop up. Rijo struck out the pesky Backman with a blazing fastball that handcuffed the usually adept ledadoff hitter.

But Rijo hurt himself the next inning when he issued a two-out walk to Barry Bonds. Bream followed with a mammoth two-run homer to right. His shot came off a high Rijo fastball on a 1-1 count and tied the score 3-3.

Pittsburgh blew a chance in the sixth. With one out, Bonilla and Bonds cracked back-to-back singles to chase Rijo. Charlton came on to walk Bream and load the bases, but got LaValliere to bounce into a double play to get out of the jam.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - NLCS BOX SCORE:

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
Backman 3b	2	0	0	0	Larkin ss	2	1	0	0
King 3b	2	0	0	0	Hatcher cf	3	0	0	0
JBell ss	3	0	0	0	Morris 1b	3	1	1	1
VanSlyke cf	4	0	1	1	Benzinger ph	1	0	1	0
Bonilla rf	4	0	1	0	Davis cf	3	1	1	1
Bonds lf	3	1	1	0	Oneill rf	3	0	1	1
Bream 1b	3	1	2	2	Oester ph	1	0	0	0

Lavalliere c	3	1	0	0	Bates pr	0	0	0	0
Lind 2b	4	0	1	1	Sabo 3b	4	0	1	0
Walk p	2	0	0	0	Reed c	3	0	0	0
Redus ph	1	1	1	0	Duncan 2b	3	0	0	0
Belinda p	0	0	0	0	Rijo p	2	0	0	0
Reynolds ph	1	0	0	0	Charlton p	0	0	0	0
Patterson p	0	0	0	0	Wnnnghm ph	1	0	0	0
Power p	0	0	0	0	Dibble p	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	4	7	4	Totals	29	3	5	3

Pittsburgh	001	200	100-	4
Cincinnati	300	000	000-	3

E-Bonilla. DP-Cincinnati 1. LOB- Pittsburgh 6, Cincinnati 3. 2B-Davis, Oneill. 3B-Lind. HR-Bream (1). SB- Larkin (1), Redus (1). S-Hatcher.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Walk (W 1-0)	6	4	3	3	2	5
Belinda	2	0	0	0	0	3
Patterson	1-3	1	0	0	1	0
Power (S 1)	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Cincinnati						
Rijo	5 1-3	4	3	3	3	8
Charltn (L 0-1)	2 2-3	3	1	1	2	1
Dibble	1	0	0	0	0	3

Umpires-Home, Wendelstedt; 1b, McSherry; 2b, Runge; 3b, Rennert; Lf, Crawford; Rf, Davis.

T-2:51. A-52,911.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - A showdown vote in the House is expected soon on the 500-BILLION- dollar deficit reduction budget plan announced last weekend by President Bush and congressional leaders. Earlier in the evening, the agreement survived a procedural test vote. If the plan itself is approved, the Senate will take it up Friday. That's the deadline Bush and the leadership of both parties have set for completing action on the package.

The State Department says it plans to charter another Iraqi Airways jetliner next Wednesday to airlift American women and children out of Iraq and occupied Kuwait. It would be the 10th major U-S evacuation flight. There are an estimated 350 Americans still in Kuwait and a similar number in Iraq. At least

another 101 U-S citizens are being held hostage by the Baghdad government.

The leader of the Phillipine rebel solders who have proclaimed an independent federal state in Mindanao says he welcomes talks with government officials. But a military spokesman in Manila ruled out negotiations Friday and said troops are being airlifted to the southern island to launch an attack on renegade army Colonel Alexander Noble. He once was President Aquino's deputy chief of presidential guards.

A 31-year-old quadriplegic man who waited almost six months for the Nevada state Supreme Court to rule on his right-to-die request apparently decided to wait NO longer. Kenneth Bergstedt was found dead Thursday by his stepfather after managing to pull out his breathing tube. Bergstedt had been paralyzed in a swimming accident in 1969... when he was nine years old.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - A class-action suit resulting from this week's mass outbreak of food poisoning in Chicago was filed Thursday. The suit against the Hyatt Regency was filed on behalf of the more than 400 conventioneers stricken with salmonella poisoning. City health officials have NOT pinpointed the source of the sickness, but are focusing on chicken and bread pudding served at a hotel dinner Sunday night.

A messenger who worked for a Wall Street area delivery service pleaded guilty Thursday to charges that he stole checks to fuel his taste for the good life. Authorities say 27-year-old Earl Small stole 133-thousand dollars in checks to buy fur coats and cases of expensive champagne and to drive around New York in rented luxury cars with his girlfriends.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 5) UPI - What looked like a questionable decision by Pittsburgh Manager Jim Leyland to go with his fourth-best pitcher in Game 1 of the Pirates' National League playoffs against Cincinnati turned out to be a brilliant move with positive ramifications beyond the series opener.

Thanks to the gutsy six innings of hard-luck journeyman Bob Walk Thursday night, the Pirates now have a one-game-to-none lead with 22- game winner Doug Drabek and brilliant late-season acquisition Zane Smith still waiting their turns in the best-of-seven series with the Reds.

Walk, an oft-injured right-hander sidelined twice with groin injuries during his 7-5 1990 season, got off to a rocky start, giving up three first-inning runs on a walk and three hits. But the 33-year-old veteran regrouped after giving up the third one-out RBI, a double by Paul O'Neill, and retired the

next nine batters. He gave up just one more hit and one more walk through the sixth inning.

Inspired, his teammates rallied, scoring one run in the third, two in the fourth and one in the seventh to give Walk a 4-3 triumph.

''It encouraged us to really battle back and get some runs,'' third baseman Wally Backman said of Walk's performance. ''He pitched his butt off, and it really inspired us.

''It pumps you up. You don't want one bad inning to dictate what happens. The way he regrouped, we really wanted to score him some runs.''

There was nothing coy about Leyland's decision to go with Walk, which he announced more than a week in advance. Conventional post-season strategy calls for a team to go with its best pitcher immediately, but Leyland already had juggled his rotation a bit to get three left-handers ready to face the second-place Mets in the last three games of the season.

The manager saw no reason to juggle it further.

''It's his turn to pitch. He's the veteran guy in the rotation, and he has the experience of the post-season,'' Leyland said of Walk, who as a rookie started and won the first game of the Philadelphia Phillies' 1980 World Series with the Kansas City Royals. ''He may be hyper, but he won't be scared. I don't think it's that big a deal.''

His players agreed.

''It's not that big of a gamble,'' said shortstop Jay Bell. ''And it worked out great. Now we have Dougie coming in tomorrow, and if all goes well, we'll go into Pittsburgh with a three-game lead.''

Leyland's late-inning pitching strategy appeared less sound. Stan Belinda was awesome when he came in for Walk to start the seventh. He retired six straight men - three via strikeouts, and it is difficult to understand why he didn't stick with the rookie right-hander, instead of pinch-hitting for him with one out in the ninth.

Bob Patterson looked nervous when he took the mound in the bottom of the inning, and the Reds immediately took advantage with a pinch-hit single by Todd Benzinger and a walk by Eric Davis.

But then the Pirates got two breaks that made up for the abandonment of Belinda: Patterson got the nod from umpire Paul Runge on a close fielder's choice play on Benzinger at third after Ron Oester's attempted sacrifice bunt. Then, after Ted Power came in for Patterson, Reds rookie pinch-runner Billy Bates got a late jump trying to steal second after Davis stole third and

catcher Mike LaValliere threw him out.

Deflated, the Reds then went down to defeat on Chris Sabo's strikeout.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - The debate apparently is still going on in the House over the bipartisan deficit reduction agreement reached last weekend between the White House and congressional leaders. A vote on the budget blueprint had been scheduled for around midnight. The 500-BILLION-dollar, five-year package includes steep tax hikes and deep spending cuts. If passed by the House, the Senate is expected to take up the matter Friday.

NASA officials say they are confident the shuttle Discovery will blast off as scheduled Saturday. The goal of the flight is deployment of the nuclear-powered Ulysses solar probe on a five-year mission to boldly go where NO one has gone before- the UNcharted poles of the sun. But activists are seeking to ground the orbiter and the atomic-powered probe. They went to court Thursday in Washington, and a decision is expected Friday. .

Also at Cape Canaveral, officials say the Atlantis appears to have been damaged somewhat when a 70-pound, nine-foot-long metal beam mistakenly left in the ship's engine room fell as the orbiter was being hoisted into the launch position. But it's too early to say if the accident will delay the ship's launch next month on a secret military mission.

A New Jersey state Superior Court judge has denied the request of a father for an abortion for his 33-year-old mentally disabled daughter... ruling that the procedure NOT in the woman's best interests. The father believes his daughter, who lives in a nursing home, may have been raped. But after the court hearing, he withdrew his request for an abortion... saying his daughter's pregnancy was too far advanced. She is almost six months' along.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - A judge in Santa Monica, California, has denied a prosecution request that Marlon Brando's daughter be subpoenaed in Tahiti to force her to return to the United States and testify at the pending murder trial of her half-brother. Christian Brando is charged in the May killing of Cheyenne's lover. He claimed the shooting was accidental. But police say Cheyenne told them it was NOT. She later flew to Tahiti to avoid testifying against Christian.

Police in Lexington, Tennessee, have charged a state senator who is a frequent critic of truckers with aggravated assault after he allegedly shot at a truck driver Tuesday. John Ford, a Democrat from Memphis, says the incident is- ''a

figment of someone's imagination.'' He accuses what he calls ''a bunch of rednecks'' of trying to embarrass him a month before the November election.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Montreal	0	1	2	0--3
Buffalo	0	2	1	0--3

First period-No scoring.

Penalties-Hogue, Buf, 5:19; Corson, Mon, 13:09; Shannon, Buf 15:01; Ewen, Mon, 18:55; Diduck, Mon, 19:48.

Second period-1, Buffalo, Andreychuk 1 (Bodger, Brown), pp, 0:52. 2, Montreal, Skrudland 1 (McPhee, Keane) 12:16. 3, Buffalo, Mogilny 1 (Turgeon, Kennedy), 17:18.

Penalties-Hogue, Buf, 4:55; Kennedy, Buf, 9:41; Vaive, Buf, 17:39; Diduck, Mon 18:09.

Third period-4, Montreal, Courtnall 1 (Dufresne, Savard), 3:47. 5, Buffalo, Hawerchuk 1 (Hogue, Snuggerud), 6:32. 6, Montreal, Richer 1 (Lebeau, Corson), 16:17.

Penalties-None.

Overtime-No scoring.

Penalties-None.

Shots on Goal-Montreal, 6-9-13-2-30. Buffalo, 9-9-9-0-27.

Goaltenders-Montreal, Roy. Buffalo, Puppa. A-16,325.

Power-play conversions-Montreal, 5-0. Buffalo, 4-1.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Philadelphia	0	0	1-1
Boston	2	0	2-4

First period-1, Boston, Poulin 1 (D. Sweeney, Nilan), 13:26. 2, Boston, Neely 1 (Bourque), 17:28.

Penalties-Pedersen, Bos, 3:08; Galley, Bos, 8:16; Carkner, Phil, 9:59.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Tocchet, Phil, 11:59; Carpenter, Bos, 15:45.

Third period-3, Boston, Janney 1 (Wesley, Carpenter), 12:16. 4, Philadelphia, Tocchet 1 (Kerr, Craven), pp, 15:51. 5, Boston, Bourque 1 (unassisted), 19:03.

Penalties-Chychrun, Phil, 10:35; Berube, Phil, 10:35; Nilan, Bos, 10:35; Markwart, Bos, 14:14; Galley, Bos, 15:08.

Shots on goal-Philadelphia 11-6-10-27. Boston 4-5-7-16.

Power-play conversions-Philadelphia 5-1. Boston 3-1.

Goaltenders-Philadelphia, Hextall. Boston, Moog. A-14,448.

Referee-Denis Morel.

Detroit	1	2	0	0	- 3
New Jersey	1	0	2	0	- 3

First period-1, Detroit, Habscheid 1 (unassisted), sh, 3:55. 2, New Jersey, Lemieux 1 (Ysebaert, Fetisov), 9:33.

Penalties-McCrimmon, Det, 3:25; Probert, Det, 8:12; Stewart, NJ, 8:12; Fedyk, Det, 10:34; Daneyko, NJ, 12:28; Probert, Det, double-minor, 16:35; Stewart, NJ 16:35.

Second period-3, Detroit, Fedyk 1 (Zombo, Green), 1:46. 4, Detroit, Federov 1 (Yzerman, Cheveldae), pp, 3:41.

Penalties-Probert, Det, major (fighting), 3:00; Stewart, NJ, major (fighting), 3:00; Crowder, NJ, 3:00; Barr, Det, 7:21; Probert, Det, major (fighting), 12:12; Crowder, NJ, major (fighting), 12:12; Barr, Det, major (fighting), 12:17; Stewart, NJ, major (fighting), 12:17; Norwood, Det, 13:08; Ysebaert, NJ 15:49.

Third period-5, New Jersey, Lemieux 2 (Stastny), pp, 11:40. 6, New Jersey, Shanahan 1, (Muller, Morris), 19:45.

Penalties-Kasatonov, NJ, 4:32; Gallant, Det, major (fighting), 9:12; Norwood, Det, 9:12; Albelin, NJ, major (fighting), 9:12; Stastny, NJ, 9:12; Djoos, Det, 11:09; Lemieux, NJ, 13:24.

Overtime-Scoring, none.

Penalties - none.

Shots on goal-Detroit 3-10-10-1-24. New Jersey 14-9-10-1-34.

Power-play conversions-Detroit 5-1. New Jersey 6-1.

Goaltenders-Detroit, Cheveldae. New Jersey, Burke. A-10,805.

Referee-Mick McGeough.

Toronto	1-0-0--1
Winnipeg	3-3-1--7

First period-1. Toronto, Reid 1, (Damphouse), 1:48. 2. Winnipeg, McDermid 1, (Fenton, Ashton), 2:19. 3. Winnipeg, McLlwain 1, (Smail), sh, 7:00. 4. Winnipeg, Mantha 1, (Ellett, McDermid), pp, 18:43.

Penalties-Richardson, Tor, 2:57; Evans, Wpg, 6:22; Hannon, Tor, 10:30; Clark, Tor, 12:54; Ramage, Tor, 17:08; Damphouse, Tor, major (crosschecking), 19:51; Berehowsky, Tor, major (fighting), 19:51; Draper, Wpg, major (fighting), 19:51.

Second period-5. Winnipeg, Ellett 1, (Numminen, Smail), pp, 3:38. 6. Winnipeg, Ellett 2, (Steen), 11:40. 7. Winnipeg, Steen 1, (Elynuik, Ellett), 13:56.

Penalties-Steen, Wpg, 7:37; Hannan, Tor, minor, misconduct, 13:00.

Third period-8. Winnipeg, Draper 1 (Elynuik), 8:45.

Penalties-Marsh, Tor, 2:03; Clark, Tor; 18:26.

Shots on goal-Toronto 9-11-6-26. Winnipeg 11-12-14-37.

Power-play conversions-Toronto 2-0. Winnipeg 8-3.

Goaltenders-Toronto-Reese, Bester. Winnipeg-Beauregard. A-14,144.

Referee-Rob Shick.

NY Islanders	0	0	1-1
Los Angeles	1	2	1-4

First period-1, Los Angeles, Gretzky 1 (Robitaille, Blake), pp, 12:40.

Penalties-Pilon, NYI, 0:41; Pilon, NYI, 10:49; Finley, NYI, 11:27; Buskas, LA, 17:02.

Second period-2, Los Angeles, Bjugstad 1 (Kudelski, Krushelnyski), 4:02. 3, Los Angeles, Gretzky 2 (Blake), pp,

Penalties-Flatley, NYI, 0:23; Breault, LA, 4:13; LaFontaine, NYI, 8:17; Taylor LA, 8:17; Watters, LA, 10:26; McDonough, NYI, 13:52; LaFontaine, NYI, 17:23.

Third period-4, NY Islanders, King 1 (LaFontaine, Flatley), 1:55. 5, Los Angeles, Granato 1 (Gretzky, Robinson), 2:44.

Penalties-Berg, NY, 8:59; Krushelnyski, LA, 16:09. Penalties-LaFontaine, NYI, 17:56; Pilon, NYI, 18:23; Sandstrom, LA, 18:23.

Shots on goal-NY Islanders 5-10-14-29. Los Angeles 20-10-14-44.

Power-play conversions-NY Islanders 0-4. Los Angeles 2-8.

Goaltenders-NY Islanders, Healy. Los Angeles, Hrudey. A-16,005.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

Vancouver	1	0	1	0--2
Calgary	1	0	1	1--3

First period-1, Vancouver, Sandlak 1 (Linden, Lidster), 3:24. 2, Calgary, Makarov 1 (Nieuwendyk, Suter), pp, 4:10.

Penalties-Nordmark, Vcr, 3:37; T.Hunter, Cgy, 12:08; Stern, Vcr, 19:03.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Coxe, Vcr, 4:13; Murzyn, Cgy, 8:21; M.Hunter, Cgy, 16:51; Johansson, Cgy, major (buttending), game misconduct, 19:06.

Third period-3, Calgary, MacInnis 1 (Fleury, Suter), pp, 8:05. 4, Vancouver, Murphy 1 (unassisted), 12:15.

Penalties-Lumme, Vcr, 3:00; Macoun, Cgy, 3:29; Linden, Vcr, 7:44.

Overtime-5, Calgary, Sweeney 1 (Suter, Gilmore), 1:07.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 7 14 5 0-26. Calgary 9 8 10 2-29.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 5-0. Calgary 4-2.

Goalies-Vancouver, McLean. Calgary, Vernon. A-19,457.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

NY Rangers	1	0	2	--3

Chicago	1	2	1	--4

First period-1, NY Rangers, Nicholls 1 (Turcotte, Gartner), 13:13. 2, Chicago, Graham 1 (Chelios), 17:18.

Penalties-Murray, Chi, 4:36; Shaw, NYR, 5:29; Grimson, Chi, 11:12; Grimson, Chi, 16:30; Ogrodnick, NYR, 16:58.

Second period-3, Chicago, Yawney 1 (Noonan, Larmer), pp, 6:19. 4, Chicago, Graham (Chelios), sh, 18:59.

Penalties-Konroyd, Chi, 2:08; Rochefort, NYR, 5:27; Gartner, NYR, 11:34; NYR bench (served by Ogrodick), 11:34; Chi (served by Stapleton), 12:45; Roenick, Chi, 17:50; Kisio, NYR, 18:35; Manson, Chi, 18:35.

Third period-5, Chicago, Chelios 1 (Larmer, Roenick), 0:41. 6, NY Rangers, Nicholls 2 (Leetch), 19:14. 7, NY Rangers, Sheppard 1 (Turcotte, Nicholls), 19:54.

Penalties-Peluso, Chi, 1:47; Grimson, Chi, 5:18; Kisio, NYR, 7:37; Grimson, Chi, misconduct, 7:37; Janssens, NYR, major (fighting), 8:28; Yawney, Chi, major (fighting), 8:28; Moller, NYR, minor-misconduct, 11:15; Peluso, Chi, misconduct, 11:15; Kisio, NYR, minor-major (fighting), 17:18; Chelios, Chi, minor-major (fighting), 17:18; Patrick, NYR, misconduct, 17:57.

Shots on goal-NY Rangers 6-14-10-30. Chicago 11-13-10-34.

Power-play conversions-NY Rangers 8-0. Chicago 7-1.

Goalies-NY Rangers, Vanbiesbrouck. Chicago, Belfour. A-18,472.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

St. Louis	0	2	1	--3
Minnesota	1	0	1	--2

First period-1, Minnesota, Gagne 1 (Smith, Broten), pp, 16:25.

Penalties-McRae, Minn, 2:33; P. Cavallini (StL) 12:44; Hull (StL) 15:14.

Second period-2, St. Louis, Raglan 1 (G. Cavallini), 9:31. 3, St. Louis, Hull 1 (Ronning), 16:23.

Penalties-Giles, Minnesota, 1:12; G. Cavallini, St. Louis, major (fighting), 13:01; Wilkinson, Minnesota, major (fighting), 13:01; Brind'Amour, St. Louis, 13:41.

Third period-4, St. Louis, Hull 2 (unassisted) 11:40. 5, Minnesota, Bellows 1

(Broten) 13:03.

Penalties-McRae, Minnesota, 6:56; Raglan, St. Louis, 13:53.

Shots on Goal-St. Louis 13-15-10-38. Minnesota 9-12-5-26

Powerplay Conversions-St. Louis 3-0, Minnesota 3-1.

Goaltenders-St. Louis, Riendeau. Minnesota, Casey A-5,730.

Referee: Andy VanHellemond.

Quebec	0	3	0	0-3
Hartford	2	1	0	0-3

First period-1, Hartford, Dineen 1 (Burt, Babych), pp, 5:23. 2, Hartford Verbeek 1 (Burt, Francis), 14:28.

Penalties-Finn, Que, :38; Krygier, Hart, :38; Vincelette, Que, major (fighting) 2:42; Corriveau, Hart, major (fighting), 2:42; Finn, Que, 4:50; Leschyshyn, Que, 10:51; Nolan, Que, 13:58; Holik, Hart, 13:58; Verbeek, Hart, double-minor, 16:39; Sundin, Que, 20:00; Evason, Hart, 20:00.

Second period-3, Quebec, Lafleur 1 (Sakic, Hrkac), pp, :30. 4, Quebec, Sakic 1 (Lafleur, Hrkac), pp, 2:11. 5, Quebec, Sundin 1 (Sakic), 5:36. 6, Hartford, Krygier 1 (Francis, Babych), pp, 11:13.

Penalties- Cote, Hart, 1:33; McRae, Que, major-minor (fighting), 4:18; Corriveau, Hart, major-minor (fighting), 4:18; Finn, Que, 7:25; Verbeek, Hart, 7:25; Nolan, Que, 9:36; Hough, Que, 11:01; Verbeek, Hart, 15:27; Sakic, Que, 17:31; Finn, Que, major (fighting)-misconduct, 20:00; Petit, Que, double-minor 20:00; Hunneyworth, Hart, major (fighting)-misconduct.

Third period-No scoring. Penalties-McKenzie, Hart, 7:42; Cyr, Hart, 12:25; Hrkac, Que, 13:22.

Overtime-No scoring. Penalites- McKegney, Que, 3:13.

Shots on goal-Quebec 9-8-6-1-24. Hartford 13-11-8-4-36.

Power-play conversions-Quebec 6-2. Hartford 9-2.

Goaltenders-Quebec, Tanner. Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. A-11,573.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 5) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev used his new economic powers to permit enterprises to negotiate wholesale prices as a first step toward a market system, but it was unclear how free the price structure would be.

A move to freely negotiated wholesale prices would be a major departure from the existing centrally planned economy, under which nearly all wholesale and retail prices are set by the government.

The decree issued Thursday calls for the ''extensive use of negotiated wholesale prices in the national economy,'' but it included a number of key restrictions and called for a limit on profits.

''Negotiated prices'' for 1991 contracts are to be based on wholesale prices established during a 1988 price reform, the decree said without further explanation.

It also says wholesale prices would be fixed on ''raw and structural materials and other producer goods'' on a list to be established by the central and republican governments.

Finance Minister Valentin Pavlov said in an interview on the official ''Vremya'' television news program the decree on wholesale prices would not immediately affect retail prices.

''At this stage all subsidies, all differences between the wholesale and (state-set) retail prices will be preserved,'' Pavlov said. ''We have not even approached this issue.''

He said the decree on wholesale prices was necessary before the adoption of a full plan for a transition to a market economy because enterprises had to negotiate new contracts soon for 1991.

''Enterprises cannot conclude contracts today, because until now the question had not been resolved on what prices they can agree to,'' Pavlov said.

The finance minister said the ability to negotiate wholesale prices should help alleviate shortages plaguing the Soviet Union.

''To give one example, now it is not profitable for an enterprise to produce children's goods, while there are no children's goods on sale,'' he said. ''If the price can be negotiated this problem is eliminated.''

But the decree says that to prevent ''unwarranted overall growth of prices of producer goods,'' limits would be introduced on profits, with any profits beyond the limit to be paid to the government.

The decree was Gorbachev's second on the transition to a market economy since he was granted new economic powers by the Supreme Soviet last week. The first decree, on Sept. 27, ordered local governments and enterprises to honor current contractual obligations through 1991.

Gorbachev was reported Thursday to be considering a decree on devaluation of the ruble, but details were not available and the report could not be confirmed.

The independent Interfax news service said Ivan Ivanov, deputy chairman of the Foreign Economic Commission of the Council of Ministers, told a group of parliament deputies Thursday the decree was prepared by the Finance Ministry and the Foreign Economic Commission and was given to Gorbachev Wednesday.

Interfax said Ivanov gave no details about the decree.

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DETROIT (OCT. 5) UPI - A sportscaster who alleged that Detroit Piston Isiah Thomas threw him against a car and choked him said Thursday night he will drop assault charges against the all-star guard.

Virg Jacques of WJBK-TV filed an assault complaint Tuesday against Thomas following the alleged incident that took place after a practice at Oakland University.

The sportscaster and Thomas met Thursday during the Pistons' media day at the University of Windsor.

''We went outside the locker room and had our private meeting,'' Jacques said. ''The very first thing he said to me was, 'As a man, I'd like to apologize to you for what happened.' And he repeated those same words a couple times during the course of our conversation, which was approximately 20 minutes or so.''

Jacques said he accepted Thomas' apology and would ask authorities Friday to drop charges.

''I'm going to tell the authorities that Isiah has apologized to me,'' Jacques said. ''He did acknowledge there was physical contact, he told me the reason why and I'm going to let them (authorities) know that that's satisfactory to me.''

Following the meeting with Jacques, Thomas eluded reporters and ran out the door.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - The House, in a stinging rebuke of President Bush and top congressional leaders of both parties, rejected early Friday a $500 billion budget plan hammered out during four months of hard bargaining.

The 1:20 a.m. EDT vote was 254-179 against the package that had proposed tax increases on gasoline, alcohol, cigarettes, airline tickets and other items and spending cuts for defense, agriculture and social programs such as Medicare.

It represented a major legislative defeat for both Bush and congressional leaders of both parties, who produced the defict-reduction plan but failed to quell 11th-hour rank-and-file rebellions over the most controversial tax and spending cut provisions.

''This is a sad night for this House, for our political system and for America '' House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., said in a statement. ''Our president has asked us to pull together. Too many of my colleagues have instead given him the back of their hands.''

There was no immediate reaction from the White House.

In all, 105 of the 176 House Republicans opposed the plan, as did 149 of the 256 House Democrats.

Leaders had decided that a majority of each party in each house had to support the plan to prevent one party for blaming the other, a month before the November elections, for the politically painful taxes and spending cuts the package contained.

''I was personally deeply disappointed with the results that we achieved,'' said House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri, one of eight congressional leaders and administration officials who negotiated the final plan. ''I wanted a tax situaiton that was at least as fair as the tax situation that we have today. I don't think we achieved that.''

When Republicans failed to produce their majority, Democrats were off the hook and many who were prepared to vote for it probably switched and voted against it.

With the defeat of the plan, the next step in the budget process was in doubt.

Assistant House Democratic leader William Gray of Pennsylvania said after the vote that he was not surprised by the outcome, but he could not say when an alternative proposal would be prepared.

Following up on a strong viewpoint of many Democrats, Gray said, ''It is my view that you must change two components'' citing unhappiness with the

defeated proposal's tax plan and Medicare cuts.

House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said he will seek a stop-gap spending measure to replace one that is set to expire at midnight Friday. Failure to pass a new funding measure, called a continuing resolution, would trigger up to $105.7 billion in automatic spending cuts required by the Gramm-Rudman law.

Bush threatened to veto any attempt to pass another temporary spending bill to fund government operations or to delay imposition of the Gramm-Rudman cuts unless a budget plan was approved.

The budget proposal was defeated even though Bush had assured Foley over lunch Thursday that the Democratic-controlled Congress could make some changes to the budget in the implementation stage, which was to have begun next week.

Bush's assurance, coupled with frantic lobbying by the president, Foley and other House leaders, apparently were not enough to convince reluctant lawmakers to overcome their distaste for the proposal.

Bush spent the day twisting arms, cajoling and pleading with undecided or wavering GOP members, meeting with about 50 of them at the White House and phoning others.

The five-year plan had proposed $134 billion in new gasoline, cigarette, alcohol, airline and other taxes and fees, $67 billion in defense cuts over three years, limiting domestic spending increases to the rate of inflation, a $60 billion cut in Medicare and new tax breaks for investing in small companies.

Rep. Dennis Eckart, D-Ohio, said the two biggest Democratic concerns about the package were the proposed $60 billion cut in Medicare over five years and the new two-week waiting period for unemployment benefits to begin, instead of the current one-week wait.

Other Democrats were concerned about the tax equity issue because they feel the wealthiest Americans got off too cheaply, not having to pay their fair share of deficit reduction and getting a tax break for investments in small businesses to boot.

In a rare floor speech before the vote, Foley said in support of the plan: ''I ask you to consider that this is one of the most important evenings in your congressional career. This is one of the most important decisions.''

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(OCT. 5) UPI - Brett Hull, Chris Chelios and Dale Hawerchuck made their respective clubs' management look very good on the opening night of the NHL

season.

St. Louis Blues GM Ron Caron opened the vaults to sign Hull to a five-year deal at $1.2 million per season and Hull responded by scoring two goals to lead the Blues to a 3-2 victory over the Minnesota North Stars.

Chicago Blackhawks GM Mike Keenan sent high-scoring center Denis Savard to the Montreal Canadiens in exchange for defenseman Chris Chelios, and Chelios responded with a key goal and two assists in Chicago's 4-3 victory over the New York Rangers.

Buffalo Sabres GM Gerry Meehan swapped three players, including his best defenseman, for Winnipeg Jets center Dale Hawerchuk, who paid an immediate dividend to his new team by scoring a goal in a 3-3 tie with the Canadiens.

''The money and all that contract stuff is all history,'' said Hull, who scored 72 goals last season, the most ever by an NHL right wing. ''I don't feel any more pressure to produce now than I did last season. In this league you do your job or you are out regardless of how much they are paying you. My job is to score goals.''

Hull's first came at 16:23 of the second period and broke a 1-1 tie. His second gave Minnesota a 3-1 lead at 11:40 of the third period when he intercepted an errant pass from Minnesota's Dave Gagne and buried a 35-footer.

Gagne gave Minnesota a 1-0 lead with a first-period power-play goal. The Blues tied it 1-1 on a Herb Raglan goal at 9:31 of the second period before Hull's two put St. Louis ahead 3-1.

Minnesota's Brian Bellows, who tied a club record with 55 goals last year, beat Blues goalie Vince Riendeau on a breakaway at 13:03 of the final period to cut the St. Louis lead to one.

At Chicago, Chelios responded to the hero's welcome the crowd gave him by dominating the game against the Rangers, setting up two goals by team captain Dirk Graham before scoring the winning goal 19 seconds into the final period.

''I guess I got the hometown bounces tonight,'' said the Chicago native.

''Chris Chelios is a great defenseman, and I think he showed it tonight,'' said Blackhawks goaltender Ed Belfour, who also provided some stellar defense until the Rangers scored twice in the final 46 seconds to close within a goal.

Trent Yawney scored Chicago's other goal, snapping a 1-1 tie with a power-play tally early in the second period.

New York, which went 0 for 8 on the power play, got a pair of goals and an assist from Bernie Nicholls. Nicholls scored his second goal with 46 seconds

to play, and Ray Sheppard made it 4-3 with six seconds left.

At Buffalo, Hawerchuk gave the Sabres a 3-2 lead at 6:32 of the third period when he burst past the defense and beat Patrick Roy with a wrist shot, but Stephane Richer pulled Montreal into a 3-3 tie with only 3:43 left in regulation time.

''I was happy to get the goal. It took the pressure off,'' admitted Hawerchuk.

Dave Andreychuk gave Buffalo a 1-0 lead 52 seconds into the second period. Brian Skrudland tied the score at 12:16.

Alexander Mogilny gave the Sabres a 2-1 edge with 1:42 remaining in the second period, and Russ Courtnall tied the score 2-2 with a goal at 3:47 of the third.

In other games, Detroit and New Jersey skated to a 3-3 tie; Boston bopped Philadelphia 4-1; Los Angeles topped the New York Islanders 4-1; Quebec and Hartford tied at 3-3; Winnipeg blasted Toronto 7-1; and Calgary edged Vancouver 3-2.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Devils 3, Red Wings 3, OT

At New Jersey, Brendan Shanahan scored the tying goal with 15 seconds remaining in the third period, and Claude Lemieux scored the other two goals in his first game with the Devils. Soviet Sergei Fedorov scored his first NHL goal and Marc Habscheid and Brent Fedyk also scored for the Red Wings.

Boston 4, Philadelphia 1

At Boston, Dave Poulin and Cam Neely scored first-period goals, Craig Janney added a third-period goal and Ray Bourque scored into an empty net with 57 seconds remaining. Boston goalie Andy Moog stopped 26 shots, but yielded a score to Rick Tocchet at 15:51 of the third period when the Flyers had a 5-on-3 power play.

Kings 4, Islanders 1

At Inglewood, Calif., Wayne Gretzky opened defense of his scoring title with two power-play goals and assisted on a goal by Tony Granato. Los Angeles goalie Kelly Hrudey inadvertently knocked in the lone New York goal, which was credited to Derek King, and Scott Bjugtad also scored for Los Angeles.

Whalers 3, Nordiques 3, OT

At Hartford, Todd Krygier scored on a two-man advantage at 11:13 of the second period to lift the Whalers. Kevin Dineen and Pat Verbeek also scored for the

Whalers. Hall-of-Famer Guy Lafleur scored a goal and assisted on another by Joe Sakic, and Swedish star Mats Sundin scored his first NHL goal.

Jets 7, Maple Leafs 1

At Winnipeg, defenseman Dave Ellett scored twice and assisted on scores by Moe Mantha and Tomas Steen. Paul McDermid, Dave McLlwain and Kris Draper also scored for the Jets, and Dave Reid scored the lone Toronto goal.

Flames 3, Canucks 2, OT

At Calgary, rookie Tim Sweeney scored his first NHL goal at 1:07 of overtime after Rob Murphy had forced the overtime with a goal at 12:15 of the third. Al MacInnis and Sergei Makarov also scored for Calgary. Jim Sandlak scored the other Vancouver goal.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - About 30 activists plan to trespass at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida today to protest Saturday's scheduled launch of the shuttle Discovery. Environmentalists are worried about a potential tragedy involving the ship's nuclear-powered cargo. They have asked a federal judge in Washington to halt the launch.

A member of a controversial commission on pornography testified yesterday in Cincinnati, where a museum and its director are charged with obscenity for showing the work of the late photographer Robert Mapplethorpe. Defense lawyers questioned whether a woman whose only work as an artist involved appearing in ''Captain Kangaroo'' videos was qualified to offer a profession opinion.

A New York City messenger who didN'T deliver everything in his mail bag now faces a prison term of two to six years. Earl Small pleaded guilty yesterday to charges he stole 133-thousand dollars in checks. Authorities say Small used the money to buy fur coats and cruise around town in luxury cars.

Swedish researchers say as little as one-quarter of an aspirin tablet each day may reduce the risk of heart attack. The study in the British medical journal Lancet involved 769 Swedish men. Aspirin is thought to reduce the risk of heart attack by stopping artery-narrowing blood clots from forming.

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SANTA CRUZ, Calif. (OCT. 5) UPI - An earthquake measuring 3.2 on the Richter scale rattled the Santa Cruz area Thursday night but there were no reports of damage or injuries, authorities said.

The quake shook the area at 11:04 p.m. Thursday, said Lu Page, a spokeswoman for the U.S. Geological Survey in Menlo Park.

The epicenter was six miles north of Sana Cruz, near the aftershock zone for the Oct. 17, 1989, Loma Prieta quake that devastated portions of northern California. Thursday's quake, however, was not consided an aftershock to the 7.1 magnitude Loma Prieta quake, Page said.

The Santa Cruz Police Department received no reports of damage or injuries from Thursday night's temblor.

''It just shook for a few seconds and then it was over,'' said police dispatcher Nickie Hernandez. ''It wasn't that big of a deal.''

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(OCT. 5) UPI - A cold front carrying high winds, rain and snow moved into the Northwest Friday while summer-like weather covered the Great Plains and scattered showers doused the Northeast and South.

Flood warnings were posted throughout western Washington state after heavy rains soaked the region as the cold front moved east.

The Nooksack River in the northwestern part of the state crested during the night near flood stage but began receding as the rains subsided. In the nearby North Cascades Mountains, the snow level dropped to 3,500 feet.

The Great Plains enjoyed warm weather and clear skies Friday with temperatures in Chicago approaching the low 80s and the warm temperatures were expected to continue.

Showers and thunderstorms carrying winds that reached 50 mph hit New York state late Thursday and early Friday, dropping in strength as they moved eastward from the Finger Lakes region.

Mostly clear skies covered the Midwest and Middle Atlantic states as temperatures in Cleveland, Ohio, dipped down to 51 degrees with light winds. The National Weather Service said 0.32 inches of rain fell on Atlantic City International Airport in New Jersey Thursday, breaking a record for the date set in 1956.

Thick fog covered much of east Tennessee, cutting visibility to less than a quarter mile in some places during the morning hours.

The South was hit by turbulent weather following several reported tornadoes in Mississippi and Alabama Thursday. A tornado whipped through Verona, Miss., damaging two mobile homes and north Mississippi was hit by up to 4 inches of

rain. No injuries were reported as a result of the storms.

Although temperatures dropped in much of the South, Jacksonville, Fla. recorded 94 degrees, breaking the record of 92 degrees set in 1986

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (OCT. 5) UPI - Black leader Nelson Mandela has postponed his first visit to the Soviet Union, planned for next week, because the African National Congress and Moscow found the timing ''unsuitable,'' the ANC said Friday.

Mandela was due to leave Oct. 8 for a 26-day eight-nation foreign tour, including a four-day stop in the Soviet Union, for years the ANC's major sponsor in its fight against white minority rule.

But the ANC, responding to reports from Moscow that the visit was off, said, ''the dates proposed for the visit to Moscow have turned out to be unsuitable to both parties. We look forward to fixing a date in the near future that is mutually acceptable.''

A two-day visit to France, due to kick off the foreign tour, has also fallen away ''for certain practical reasons and is also postponed,'' an ANC official said, adding, ''there is nothing sinister in any of this.''

The rest of Mandela's schedule remained unaffected, and he departs Oct. 14 for India, and then goes to Malaysia on Oct. 19; Brunei on Oct. 21; Australia on Oct. 22; Indonesia on Oct. 26; and Japan on Oct. 27 before returning Nov. 2.

India and Australia have been leading proponents of world sanctions to force an end to white minority rule.

But Moscow bankrolled the ANC's 29-year armed struggle against Pretoria until the movement suspended the tactic on Aug. 6 in exchange for promises of further racial reform. Moscow also has hosted thousands ANC of exiles at universities, technical colleges and in military training bases over the past three decades.

Since the beginning of President Frederik de Klerk's racial reform program in February - including Mandela's release from prison and the ANC's legalization after 30 years - and the rejection of communism in Eastern Europe, the Soviet Union has simultaneously decreased its aid to the ANC and begun tentative diplomatic contact with Pretoria.

While still vigorously supporting the ANC's fight against apartheid, Moscow has openly encouraged preliminary talks between the movement and the government. It also has raised the possibility of restoring diplomatic links

with Pretoria, broken off in 1956, when white rule is abolished.

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#90278u0452 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 5) UPI - A presidential decree will be issued within the next several days to devalue the Soviet ruble in January 1991 as a step toward a convertible currency, officials said Friday.

Details of the devaluation plan and the new rates were not released, but the officials said the move was designed to eliminate multiple artificial exchange rates that affect Soviet enterprises that now deal with hard currency.

''Without changing our (currency exchange) system, we cannot fit in the world process,'' Deputy Finance Minister Vladimir Raevsky said.

Raevsky and Stanislav Assekritov, deputy chairman of the government's Commission on Economic Reform, confirmed a report by the independent Interfax news agency that President Mikhail Gorbachev was preparing to issue a decree on ruble devaluation.

Both officials said they expected a presidential decree in the next several days, with the devaluation taking effect in January.

''Our strategy is to have a civilized rate for the ruble,'' said Stanislav Assekritov, deputy chairman of the Commission on Economic Reform.

Assekritov added all of the rival economic reform programs being discussed in the Soviet Parliament ''provide for (eventually) exchanging any foreign currency at a floating rate, like they do everywhere in the world.''

The devaluation would be an initial step toward a freely convertible currency. The Soviet Union also expects to set up currency auctions early next year for enterprises that need hard currency.

Assekritov said the initial devaluation would seek to establish a single rate for Soviet enterprises to exchange money for dealings with other enterprises and foreign firms, eliminating a bewildering array of coefficients currently in use for Soviet businesses that need hard currency.

In addition to the coefficients, there are two separate official exchange rates for foreigners who spend money in the Soviet Union - a ''commercial rate'' of about .56 rubles to the dollar for official business transactions through a bank or credit cards, and a ''tourist rate'' for cash of 6 rubles to the dollar. It was not clear how the devaluation would affect those rates.

The black market exchange rate in Moscow varies from about 16 to 21 rubles for the dollar.

The confirmation of the planned devaluation came a day after a presidential decree allowing enterprises to negotiate wholesale prices as a first step toward a market system, but there were significant restrictions and it was unclear how free the price structure would be.

A move to freely negotiated wholesale prices would be a major departure from the existing centrally planned economy, under which nearly all wholesale and retail prices are set by the government.

The decree issued Thursday calls for the ''extensive use of negotiated wholesale prices in the national economy'' as a way to give enterprises independence and incentive to increase production.

However, the decree calls for a limit on profits and also says wholesale prices would remain fixed on ''raw and structural materials and other producer goods'' on a list to be established by the central and republican governments.

Finance Minister Valentin Pavlov said in an interview on the official ''Vremya'' television news program the decree on wholesale prices would not immediately affect retail prices.

''At this stage all subsidies, all differences between the wholesale and (state-set) retail prices will be preserved,'' Pavlov said. ''We have not even approached this issue.''

The decree was Gorbachev's second on the transition to a market economy since he was granted new economic powers by the Supreme Soviet last week. The first decree, on Sept. 27, ordered local governments and enterprises to honor current contractual obligations through 1991.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange rallied Friday despite the failure of the U.S. House of Representatives to pass the budget deficit-reduction plan.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which dropped 571.20 points Thursday, rebounded 549.46 points to 22,827.65.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major issues, which lost 20.53 points Thursday, jumped 31.15 points to 1, 680.67.

Trading volume remained light but above Thursday level as an estiemated 450 million shares changed hands, up from 301 million shares Thursday.

Advances outpaced declines 871 to 131, while 92 issues remained unchanged.

''The rejection of the deficit-cutting plan led to some selloffs, but did not cause a dramatic plunge,'' said Makano Mitsuhiro, a strategist at Daiwa Securities.

Japanese analysts interpreted the news as a sign that U.S. interest rates may not drop as had been expected.

The news reached the market 40 minutes before the close, cooling a rally that had started in the morning and continued into the afternoon session.

Stock prices were bought after two straight losing sessions in reaction to the Japanese yen's strength against the U.S. dollar and some strength in blue chip issues on the New York Stock Exchange, analysts said.

Blue-ship stocks, such as Sony, climbed sharply.

Steels and constructions surged. NKK and Kobe Steel ended broadly higher.

Elsewhere in Asia, investors in Hong Kong returned to the marketplace after taking a break from the action and sent prices sharply lower in moderate trading on news of the U.S. congressional defeat of President Bush's budget proposal.

Markets in Hong Kong were closed Thursday for the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival holiday.

The Hong Kong Stock Exchnage's Hang Seng Index, which fell 42.93 points Wednesday, dropped 12.10 points to 2,850.45.

Among the narrower-based indexes, properties shed 1.99 points, utilities dropped 5.89, financials lost 15.72 and industrials fell 17.95 points.

Volume was moderate as an estimated 810 million shares changed hands, compared with 864 million shares Wednesday.

Analysts said prices opened higher but ''when we were up about 30 points in the morning, we expected to be up at least that much on the day,'' said Herman Lam of First Pacific Securities.

''But after news came about the defeat of the Bush budget proposal, stocks dropped throughout the afternoon. Everyone is expecting the New York market to drop. If that happens, we will sustain another loss Monday.''

In Singapore, stocks closed lower in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange as a late round of profit taking shortly before the close pushed prices lower.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which eased 2.67 points Thursday, slipped another 3.67 points to 1,113.93. The broader-based All Singapore Index dipped 0.36 point to 312.36.

An estimated 32.7 million shares changed hands, compared with only 16.9 million shares Thursday.

Analysts said investors took profits after the market started to push higher.

Brokers commented that market was still very weak due to stalemate in the Gulf tension.

Selling pressure in the afternoon plus overseas bourses weaker performances caused the market to sink, analysts said.

On the trading floor, Kian Joo Canning paced the declining issues followed by Singapore Airlines foreign shares and Far East Shipping.

Asia Pacific Brewery led the advancing stocks followed by Polytek and Development Bank of Singapore foreign shares.

In Australia, stocks closed lower on the Sydney Sharemarket amid disappointment the Australian government would not immediately lower interest rates.

The All Ordinaries Index, which lost 16.8 points Thursday, lost another 11.7 points to 1,356.8. The All Industrial Index fell 11.3 points to 2,017.3 and the All Resources Index fell 11.1 points to 841.8.

An estimated 80.7 million shares changed hands, compared with 94.3 million shares Thursday.

Analysts said sellers dominated the market in the wake of a statement from Australian Treasurer Paul Keating that the recession was ''not full scale'' and monetary easing was not warranted.

On the trading floor, BHP and News Corp were again the big losers. BHP lost 30 cents to $10.05 and News fell 28 cents to $6.40.

BHP lost ground on recession fears and News Corp. came under pressure following the announcement that Moody Investors Service intends to review its credit rating, analysts said.

Elsewhere, Coles Myers lost 4 cents to $7.42, Brambles lost 10 cents to $12.50 and TNT eased 4 cents to $1.74.

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LONDON (OCT. 5) UPI - Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd again linked a resolution of the Persian Gulf crisis to the Arab-Israeli conflict, saying once Iraq has been driven out of Kuwait an international conference should be convened to discuss a homeland for the Palestinians.

''New initiatives over Palestine can only take place once Saddam Hussein has been driven out of Kuwait. I can see no hope of progress until that has happened,'' Hurd said Thursday night at a Diplomatic and Commonwealth Writers' Association dinner.

Hurd also said he is to visit Israel and Egypt later this month and appealed to Israel to accept an international conference on peace in the Middle East.

''Anyone with a sense of humanity must sympathize with the Palestinians. Their lands are occupied, they have no political rights and they are daily victims of a misguided policy which believes that the security of Israel must rest on closed universities, illegitimate settlements and even collective punishments.''

Hurd's speech was broadly in line with the U.S. position outlined by President Bush Monday when he said he believed there ''may be opportunites'' after an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait for settling regional problems, including ''the conflict that divides the Arabs from Israel.''

It was the second time Hurd tied the Persian Gulf conflict with the Arab-Israeli dispute. At the U.N. General Assembly, he said any attempt to resolve the complex disputes of the Middle East would require a new security structure, which he said might borrow certain concepts from the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

''With Iraq out of Kuwait, moderate Arab opinion will have triumphed and will be in the ascendancy over the extremists. It may be (Israel's) best chance to secure the acceptance of the state of Israel behind secure borders,'' Hurd said Thursday.

He foresaw a role for the new-found cooperation formed between the five permanent U.N. Security Council members in promoting a comprehensive peace, similar to the cooperation in opposing Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. The ending of the regional rivalries of the Cold War was also a factor favorable for peace in the Middle East.

''Consultations among the five and a positive approach in Israel and the Arab countries most closely involved are preparatory steps ... (that) should aim at and end in, an international conference,'' Hurd said.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - Democrats and Republicans are flirting with political chaos on Capitol Hill just weeks before congressional elections. House Speaker Thomas Foley is planning to introduce another stop-gap spending measure today in order to keep the government running past midnight when the current funding measure expires. The Washington Democrat stated his intentions early today after House members killed a bipartisan five- year, 500-BILLION-dollar budget agreement.

South African police say a curfew is being lifted in most areas of Soweto, the nation's biggest black township. However, the curfew remains in effect in three other townships... and heavily armed police will continue patrolling all black townships. The curfew- described by Nelson Mandela as a ''license to kill our people'' began 10 days ago along to combat factional bloodshed.

Philippine military officials say they've disloged rebellious soldiers from one of two occupied garrisons on the southern island of Mindanao. Officials say two planes bombed the brigade headquarters of the rebels 500 miles south of Manila, destroying three trucks and a building. There were NO immediate reports of casualties.

The director of the Kennedy Space Center says it's too soon to say whether a mishap will delay next month's scheduled launch of the shuttle Atlantis. NASA's latest trouble came yesterday after a nine-foot-long, 70-pound metal bar was mistakenly left in the shuttle's engine compartment. The bar fell as the ship was rotated into a launch position, causing an UNdetermined amount of damage to the orbiter.

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#90278u0597 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 5) UPI - Federal prosecutors are asking for documents and written explanations from the oil industry as an investigation widens into recent gasoline price hikes. The Justice Department is NOT naming the companies involved or detailing the nature of the information requested. But a spokesman says subpoenas have been issued to- ''major oil companies and independent refiners and marketers.''

Police in Portland, Oregon, are gearing up for what could be a tense situation. White supremacist Tom Metzger and his son go on trial next week in a 10-Million-dollar wrongful death suit. The suit was filed on behalf of an Ethiopian national beaten to death by three skinheads in Portland two years ago. The suit claims the Metzgers were negligent in sending agents to Portland to recruit skinhead members.

A former cardiologist yesterday surrendered to authorities in Hartford, Connecticut, and is now serving a 20-year sentence for killing his wife with a baseball bat. Dr. Russell Manfredi had remained free on an appeal bond since

his sentencing nearly four years ago. He turned himself in after the U-S Supreme Court refused to hear his case. States Attorney John Bailey says the case was ''extemely frustrating, but the system did work.''

A spokesman for the Catholic Archdiochese of New York calls it a ''landlord-tenant dispute'' in which a lease was violated. But the RAPP Arts Center says it'll appeal a judge's ruling that said the church has the right to evict a theater group for staging a play in a church-owned facility that the church found distasteful. The piece is about a clergyman who kills a pregnant woman in a car accident while drunk.

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#90278u0632 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 5) UPI - The U.S. dollar was mostly higher Friday on major foreign currency markets in the wake of the U.S. House of Representatives' rejection of a budget accord and the lessened prospects of lower U.S. interest rates. Gold was mixed.

The House decision gave investors, who thought they oversold dollars, an excuse to buy back the dollar, analysts said.

However, the dollar fell earlier in Tokyo before the budget news was announced to its lowest level since April, 1989.

In Europe, the dollar began the day higher in Frankfurt at 1.5375 German marks up from 1.5355 marks late Thursday.

In Zurich, the dollar opened higher at 1.2860 Swiss francs, up from 1.2785.

In London, the British pound gained slightly against the dollar, opening at $1.9125 compared with $1.9110 at the close Thursday.

Elsewhere in Europe, the dollar was higher in Paris, Brussels and Milan.

In Paris, the dollar opened at 5.1485 French francs, up from 5.1365, in Brussels at 31.69 Belgian francs, up from 31.63, and in Milan at 1, 150.50 Italian lire, up from 1,149.00.

In earlier trading in Asia, the dollar plummeted against the Japanese yen in hectic trading on expectations of a drop in U.S. interest rates, but the fall came to an end when news of the U.S. House rejecting a budget deficit cutting plan reached the market shortly before the close.

The Bank of Japan reported the dollar fell to 133.72 yen, down 2.18 yen from 135.90 yen on Thursday.

It was the dollar's lowest closing rate against the Japanese yen since April

28, 1989, when the dollar closed at the 132.49 yen level.

In the morning, Tokyo investors sold dollars following the trend in overseas markets. Institutional investors, such as life insurance firms and Japanese securities houses, joined the dollar selling in the afternoon, sending the dollar to a low of 132.75 yen.

''Everybody joined in selling (of the dollar),'' said Tetsuya Taura, a currency manager at Sumitomo Bank, ''but the rejection of the deficit- cutting plan will reverse that trend for time being.''

''The U.S. interest rate will ease anyway, but not soon,'' said Taura.

Elsewhere in Asia, the dollar closed lower in Singapore at 1.7495 Singapore dollars, down from 1.7585.

In Hong Kong, the dollar slipped to 7.7555 Hong Kong dollars, down from Wednesday's close of 7.7595. Hong Kong markets were closed Thursday for a one-day harvest holiday.

In early New York trading, the dollar was mixed against key foreign currencies in moderate trading shortly after the Labor Department reported the U.S. unemployment rate jumped to 5.7 percent in September - the highest in more than two years, but in line with market expecations.

Traders quoted the dollar at 1.5358 German marks, up from 1.5340 Thursday, and at 133.14 Japanese yen, down from 133.83.

On the bullion markets, gold opened $3.50 an ounce lower in Zurich at $393.50 and opened $3.75 lower in London at $393.25.

The London morning gold fixing was $393, off $4 from Thursday's close.

In earlier trading in Asia, gold closed at $393.25 on the Hong Kong Bullion Exchange, up $4.05 from Wednesday's close.

Silver opened 5 cents lower in Zurich at $4.70 an ounce but opened unchanged in London at the same $4.70 an ounce.

In early trading on New York's Comex, a 100-troy-ounce gold futures contract for Oct. delivery opened at $394.80 bid, up $2.50 from Thursday's close. A 5,000-troy-ounce silver futures contract opened at $4.658 bid, off 1 cent an ounce.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - America's civilian unemployment rate jumped to 5.7

percent in September - the highest in more than two years - as factories laid off more workers, the government said Friday.

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''Smaller but still significant losses occurred in fabricated metals, furniture, and stone, clay and glass products,'' the department said.

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In the services field, meanwhile, which has been a pillar of strength for the domestic economy ''only a few industries provided evidence of employment growth in September,'' the Labor Department said.

Health led the way followed by hiring in local government and transportation, mainly on September increases of teachers and school bus drivers as schools re-opened, the department said.

But these were offset by losses in the financial industry, reflecting hard times in banking and real estate.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - Civilian unemployment rates for the past year, revised and adjusted for seasonal factors, as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

Month	Percent
September 1989	5.3
October	5.3
November	5.3
December	5.3
January	5.3
February	5.3
March	5.2
April	5.4
May	5.3
June	5.2
July	5.5
August	5.6
September 1990	5.7

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OSLO, Norway (OCT. 5) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Czechoslovak leader Vaclav Havel lead among likely candidates for this year's Nobel Peace Prize, say veteran Nobel observers.

Other likely contenders as the 1990 Nobel season begins this weekend are Nelson Mandela, the South African activist freed after 27 years imprisonment, and Chai Ling, a leader of the 1989 student movement in China.

With the start of the 1990 season, Norway's Peace Prize Committee prepares to announce its laureate for the honor, which in the past has gone to leaders such as Martin Luther King Jr., Desmond Tutu, Mother Thersea and Henry Kissinger.

The 1990 decision will be made public by the Committee's new chairman, Gidske Andersson, at 11 a.m. local time Oct. 15. This year's prize is worth $670,000 and includes a gold medal and a diploma to be presented to the winner at a ceremony in Oslo on Dec. 10, the anniversary of Alfred Nobel's death.

As the world emerges from the Cold War and hectic diplomatic activity seeks to settle the Persian Gulf crisis, speculation is rampant as to whom will be honored in the Oct. 15 announcement.

In the tipping game, seasoned Nobel watchers find Gorbachev and Havel just ahead of Mandela. Chai was a close-running fourth.

Ten days before the winner is announced, the independent Nobel Committee, appointed by the Norweign Parliament to scrutinize candidates and award the prize, as usual remains silent about its intentions.

''We have received about 100 nominations. Sixty-five are individual candidates. Some 20 are organisations or institutions, and the rest are two or more people named together as candidates,'' Sigrid Langbrekke of the Nobel Committee's office told United Press International.

But Langbrekke refused to speculate on favorites or on rumors that the committee might choose not to award a prize this year.

The nominations must be made by Feb. 1.

Most of Oslo's experienced observers think the prize will go to either Gorbachev, Havel, Mandela or Chai. But in the Nobel guessing-game tipsters more often than not get it wrong.

Havel was also a favorite for last year's prize, awarded before the ''velvet revolution'' toppled Czechoslovakia's communist dictatorship last November. Subsequent events, which saw the former dissident writer elected his country's president, can only have strenghtened Havel's candidacy.

If the prize were likely to go to an Eastern European leader, Gorbachev would seem to be Havel's only serious rival. The Soviet president is credited with preventing ousted regimes in countries such as Czechoslovakia and East Germany from using armed force to suppress the peaceful revolutions.

But some observers think Gorbachev's refusal to grant the Soviet Baltic republics independence and his use of economic sanctions against Lithuania make him a less likely candidate.

Mandela was also seen as a strong candidate. It would be his sixth successive candidacy for the prize. But that nomination may be hampered because the anti-apartheid movement was honored six years ago, when the prize went to Tutu the South African Anglican archbishop.

Similar considerations may make Chai's candidacy questionable. The 1989 award was made to the Dalai Lama for his peaceful struggle against China's occupation of Tibet.

There has also been speculation that the Nobel Committee may choose to reserve the prize this year as the Persian Gulf crisis deepens.

Under the Nobel charter, awarding committees are not bound to make an award each year. The committee has reserved the peace prize on 19 occasions - mainly because of world wars, but also in peacetime.

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#90278u0720 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - Unemployment rates by category, seasonally adjusted, as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

Category	Sept	Aug	July	Sept 89
Civilian	5.7	5.6	5.5	5.3
Military-Civ	5.6	5.5	5.4	5.3
Adult men	5.1	5.0	4.9	4.8
Adult women	5.0	4.9	4.7	4.5
Teenagers	15.5	16.7	16.3	15.0
White	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.5
Black	12.1	11.8	11.3	11.7
Hispanic	8.7	7.8	7.9	8.3

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#90278u0725 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - Unemployment rates in 11 selected states, seasonally adjusted, as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

State	Sept	Aug	July	Sept 89
California	5.9	5.4	5.1	5.1
Florida	6.0	6.7	5.7	5.7
Illinois	7.2	6.5	6.7	6.2
Massachusetts	6.2	6.7	6.1	4.4
Michigan	7.2	7.9	7.4	7.8
New Jersey	5.2	4.8	4.8	4.5
New York	5.5	5.0	5.3	5.3
North Carolina	3.7	3.6	4.6	4.0
Ohio	5.2	5.0	5.7	5.3
Pennsylvania	5.5	4.9	5.0	4.4
Texas	6.3	5.9	6.2	6.4

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#90278u0733 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
BEIRUT, LEBANON (OCT. 5) UPI - Three British hostages held by Moslem extremists in Lebanon will be freed shortly after the restoration of Syrian-British diplomatic ties, the Lebanese Ad-Diyar newspaper reported Friday.

The newspaper, quoting ''well-informed sources'' in Damascus, said it expected the Syrian-British relations to be restored by next Monday.

In London, the Britain Foreign Office denied plans for an immediate resumption of diplomatic relations with Syria.

''There is absolutely no foundation in the rumor whatsoever. We would repeat that we would obviously like to get back to normal relations, but there are obstacles,'' said Penny Russel-Smith, a Foreign Office spokeswoman.

''We don't comment on any possible contacts between the two governments,'' she said. ''It is speculation to say there will be a resumption of ties.''

The sources said the plight of 13 Western hostages will be the main topic of upcoming talks between Syrian officials and Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati.

Velayati was due to arrive in Damascus later Friday or Saturday.

Ad-Diyar quoted the sources as saying better ties between Damascus and Tehran will result in the release of three British hostages as an initial group.

Syria is a main power broker in Lebanon, with 35,000 troops on two thirds of the country's territory, while Iran maintains wide influence among the country's Shiite Moslem fundamentalists.

The remaining captives, including six U.S. citizens, will be freed later, the sources told the newspaper.

Britain's hostages in Lebanon are Anglican church envoy Terry Waite, John McCarthy, Jack Mann and Alec Collett.

Collett was kidnapped in Lebanon March 25, 1985. A shadowy group called the Revolutionary Organization of Socialist Moslems produced a videotape April 23, 1986, allegedly showed the captive's hanging.

Waite was kidnapped Jan. 20, 1987, McCarthy became a hostage April 17, 1986, and Mann disappeared May 12, 1989.

Diplomatic ties between Syria and Britain were severed four years ago following a bombing attempt against an Israeli El Al airliner at London's Heathrow airport in which Damascus was implicated.

A ranking Moslem fundamentalist figure in Beirut backed the Ad-Diyar report, saying Syrian President Hafez Assad during his visit to Tehran last month asked the Iranians to refrain from making efforts to release British hostages until London reestablishes ties with his country.

Recent reports in Beirut suggested Iran would use its authority on the captors to free the British captives.

Hopes for an imminent hostage release were boosted after Britain made diplomatic gestures to Iran over the controversial issue of Salman Rushdie,

the author of the ''Satanic Verses.''

The late Iranian spiritual leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini had urged Moslems worldwide to track down Rushdie and kill him for writing the book, which Moslems considered blasphemous to Islam.

British officials defended Rushdie's right to publish the book in accordance with Western democratic freedoms.

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#90278u0735 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 5) UPI - Polly Peck International PLC, the embattled fruit and electronics conglomerate, met Friday with creditors amid tight security and high-level government contacts between Britain and Turkey to save the company.

Trading in shares of the company owned by Turkish Cypriot Asil Nadir was suspended and their value dropped by half in a single day last month after news of a Serious Fraud Office investigation of alleged insider- trading hit the markets.

The company, in a statement earlier this week, admitted serious liquidity problems, and creditors, about 50 banks, were expected to decide between calling in an impartial administrator to straighten out the company's finances or lending Polly Peck additional funds to meet its short-term obligations.

The company - owners of Sansui Electric Co., of Japan, and Del Monte Tropical Fruit Co., based in Coral Gables, Fla. - is expected to ask banks for a rollover of about $222 million in short-term credits, and a 90-day moratorium on payments.

Polly Peck's market value on the London International Stock Exchange sank from $720 million to about $180 million in suspended shares last month. The shares lost 55 percent of their value Sept. 20 alone. The conglomerate's real assets were also believed to have been hurt by a global slump in trading.

Polly Peck will undergo an audit during the 90-day moratorium, Nadir said in a statement.

But he was expected to tell some 300 bankers, accountants and stockholders assembled in London's financial district that his high- level contacts with the government of Turkey will save the comapny's fortunes.

Turkey's president Turgut Ozal has exchanged letters with the British government promising Turkey's support to prop up the company, with extensive operations in Turkey and Cyprus.

Nadir met last week in New York with Ozal, according to company spokesmen.

Meanwhile, the Serious Fraud Office investigation into alleged insider trading involving a Nadir family trust and Polly Peck shares, is ''ongoing,'' a police spokesman said.

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#90278u0736 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - President Bush has had extensive consultations with members of Congress on all aspects of the Persian Gulf crisis, including the military option, a spokesman said Friday.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater was asked to respond to a Washington Post report that Bush has initiated discussions with members of Congress on the possible use of military force to oust Iraq from Kuwait.

The Post said that Bush hoped to head off any congressional objections that could arise if U.S. troops are sent into battle.

''We've had extensive consultations with Congress on every aspect of the Persian Gulf situation,'' Fitzwater said.

Fitzwater denied there was a meeting solely to discuss military action.

''We've had meeting after meeting in which there has been included talk of the possibility of a military conflict,'' he said. ''There's been no meeting just to talk about that aspect.''

Fitzwater added there were no meetings under way on escalating participation in the crisis, which started Aug. 2 when Iraq invaded Kuwait and annexed the country, making it a province of Iraq against a world uproar of opposition.

The Post said that with Congress planning to adjourn for the year on Oct. 19 and the likelihood that there would be no specific congressional authorization for military action, Bush wanted to sound out the leadership before he commits U.S. forces into a military operation.

Aides acknowledged that during the president's round of activities at the United Nations last weekend, officials began consulting with the Soviet Union and the Western allies on support for the military option but no resolution has been drafted.

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#90278u0738 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 5) UPI - Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki will run for president in the November 25th election against his former colleague... Solidarity leader Lech Walesa. Mazowiecki announced his decision last night on

Poland's evening news.

Belgium is sending troops its former territory of Rwanda to protect 16-hundred Belgian citizens from rebel attack. If necessary... the troops are also to evacuate Belgians from the east central African country.

Liberian rebel leader Prince Johnson gave in to demands by the West African peace-keeping force yesterday and agreed to pull his troops out of the center of the capital, Monrovia. The rebel withdrawal marks the first big success of the international force.

Residents of Iran say spiritual leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei is facing a rebellion by his hard-line backers after moves to curb their influence. Khameni had sided with the fundamentalists until his recent attempts to support moderate politics.

A researcher says 31 percent of the women who opposed abortion surprisingly changed their minds after visiting an ''alternative-to- abortion'' clinic in Blacksburg, Virginia. 53 percent of the women in the sample who became pregnant said they would get an abortion. The researcher is an associate professor at Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

In Santa Cruz, California, two brothers pleaded guilty yesterday to plotting to steal super-computer technology for sale to the Soviet Union. The two face up to 10 years in prison and a 250-thousand-dollar fine.

Republican Senator John McCain of Arizona appeared before the Senate Ethics Committee yesterday. McCain emerged expressing confidence the panel will clear him of wrongdoing in connection with campaign contributor and savings and loan figure Charles Keating.

McDonald's yesterday announced it has launched a program at 80 of its Southern California restaurants to recycle 70 percent of the waste they create. The program could be expanded to all 500 Southern California McDonald's by the end of the year.

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#90278u0751 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 5) UPI - Conservative stalwart Yegor Ligachev, who has been deluged with offers for his memoirs, said Friday the country faces ''the danger of a social explosion'' as it moves to some sort of market economy.

Ligachev, once the No. 2 man in the then-ruling Politburo but demoted in July to simply a Communist Party member, spoke of his fears in an interview with the official Tass news agency, saying tension in the country was near the breaking point.

''The situation in the Soviet Union is complex, contradictory, and in a number of areas critical,'' Ligachev said. ''You could compare it to a string stretched taut.

''The focus of all the complexities is the economy,'' he said. ''Economic ties are beginning to unravel. The market for consumer goods is completely out of balance. There is danger of a social explosion.''

It was the latest in a series of warnings about the pent-up dissatisfaction in society as Parliament is wavering on a new economic program while store shelves are growing increasingly bare.

Ligachev, 69, who is pecking out his memoirs on a typewriter himself with offers pouring in, has become a familiar figure in the visitors and press section of the Supreme Soviet where he watches debates and talks with journalists.

Ligachev, a bear-like figure who recently compared the debates on the market economy to ''better than Shakespeare,'' said he opposes an all- out push to a market economy under a 500-day plan advocated by Stanislav Shatalin. Shatalin is a key adviser to both Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Boris Yeltsin.

Rather, the white-haired, barrel-chested Ligachev said, the gradual plan of Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov should be adopted by the Suprme Soviet, which is now working on mating the Shatalin and Ryzhkov formulas. The hybrid version will go before Parliament in the next two months.

Never far from controversy, Ligachev said it was an ''illusion'' that the country could switch over to a market economy in such a short time as the 500 days envisioned by the radical Shatalin blueprint, ''especially when there is such political instability in society.''

Ligachev implied Gorbachev was wrong in not enlisting the full support of the Communist Party in trying to effect his market reform even though the party was forced to give up its monopoly on power last February.

''We are making a mistake in not using the full potential of the Communist Party, which is the ruling party and is still the only organized force which can penetrate all the cells of society,'' he said.

Ligachev again thundered against the danger of introducing private property. In the past, he has said that private property would mean one peasant would have 99 acres, and another one acre, whereas under socialism the land belongs to everyone in theory but in practice the state owns it all.

Ligachev softened a bit on the question of imports and learning from the West in the transition to some sort of market system, but he reiterated his strong Russian nationalist views against slavish imitation.

''I think that at this difficult time we must take from the West all that is both useful, both technologically and socially, but go our own way.''

A strong supporter of Gorbachev when the Soviet president was elected general secretary of the party in March 1985, he later reminded Gorbachev at a televised June 1987 party conference that the vote on making him the country's leader could have gone another way. Gorbachev's face tightened.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	83	49	....
Anchorage r	46	37	.02
Asheville sy	83	45	.32
Atlanta sy	85	59	....
Baltimore sy	78	48	.46
Billings w	75	38	....
Birmingham sy	86	55	.79
Bismarck pc	80	38	....
Boston sy	74	58	.47
Brownsville pc	91	75	....
Buffalo w	69	56	.66
Burlington Vt. pc	63	51	.43
Charleston S.C. sy	86	62	.19
Charlotte sy	85	52	.34
Chicago pc	82	58	.06
Cincinnati sy	80	52	....
Cleveland pc	75	56	.49
Columbus Ohi sy	78	51	.19
Dallas sy	91	69	....
Denver pc	83	48	....
Des Moines f	86	59	....
Detroit pc	76	49	.07
Duluth pc	70	44	....
El Paso pc	85	55	....
Evansville sy	84	53	....
Fargo pc	79	39	....
Hartford sy	75	49	.25
Honolulu pc	88	75	....
Houston pc	89	71	.34
Indianapolis sy	81	54	....
Jackson Miss. sy	88	58	.06
Jacksonville pc	86	71	....
Kansas City sy	88	64	....

Las Vegas sy	91	66	....
Little Rock sy	87	59	....
Los Angeles f	85	65	....
Louisville sy	84	56	.02
Memphis sy	85	58	....
Miami Beach pc	89	79	.62
Milwaukee sy	80	58	....
Minneapolis pc	84	57	....
Nashville sy	83	50	.06
New Orleans pc	88	72	.05
New York sy	75	58	.10
Oklahoma City sy	90	66	....
Omaha sy	89	58	....
Orlando pc	91	75	.01
Philadelphia sy	76	53	.09
Phoenix sy	100	73	....
Pittsburgh pc	75	52	.59
Portland Me. sy	69	46	.28
Portland Ore. sh	63	42	.43
Providence sy	73	53	.15
Richmond sy	81	50	.14
St. Louis sy	88	65	....
Salt Lake City w	83	55	....
San Antonio pc	91	71	....
San Diego pc	75	66	....
San Francisco cy	69	54	....
San Juan sh	89	78	.06
Seattle sh	57	42	.57
Spokane sh	62	33	.03
Tampa pc	91	75	....
Washington sy	80	54	.11
Wichita w	90	63	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

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#90278u0763 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 4: Purchases of 335, 087 shares and sales of 386,626 shares including 11,880 shares sold short.

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#90278u0779 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 5) UPI - California Representative Jerry Lewis says ''a crisis is going to be required before Congress responds'' to the nation's budget woes. The Republican is among a minority who voted for a package to reduce federal spending. The House early today defeated the plan backed by President Bush and congressional leaders. .

House Speaker Thomas Foley was among the Democrats who voted in favor of the bipartisan budget agreement. The speaker now plans to seek a stop-gap spending measure to avoid automatic spending cuts that go into effect at midnight. Foley says he'll pursue the move despite a veto threat from President Bush.

Fire officials say when they arrived at the scene of an apartment building blaze in Detroit, dozens of residents had already jumped out of windows. Officials say dozens more were trying to leap from the flames that killed five people and injured at least one dozen others at a senior citizens' building.

A veteran of the controversial commission on pornography led by former Attorney General Meese says photographs by the late Robert Mapplethorpe have NO artistic merit. The testimony came yesterday in Cincinnati- the scene of the nation's first obscenity trial in which a museum and its director are being prosecuted for an exhibit.

A Lebanese newspaper says the plight of 13 Western hostages will be the main topic of talks between Syrian and Iranian officials. Iran's foreign minister is expected to arrive in the Syrian capital of Damascus later today or tomorrow. Syrian is a main power broker in Lebanon, while Iran influences its Shiite Moslem fundamentalists.

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#90278u0794 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 5) UPI - Philippine government troops moved into the southern island of Minanao today to end a one-day-old rebellion in the area 500 miles south of Manila. Officials say rebel soldiers- quote- ''scampered away'' after bombing attacks destroyed a building. NO casualties were reported.

Soviet officials say a presidential decree will be issued in the next few days to devalue the Soviet ruble in January 1991 as a step toward a making it a convertible currency. One Soviet official explains- quote- ''Our strategy is to have a civilized rate for the ruble.''

The African National Congress says Nelson Mandela is postponing a trip to the Soviet Union because the A-N-C and Moscow found the timing ''UNsuitable.'' The black leader had planned to leave South Africa next week for a eight-nation tour, including a four-day stop in the Soviet Union.

A 31-year-old quadriplegic has died with his right-to-die request pending before Nebraska's Supreme Court. Kenneth Bergstedt's stepfather says he found his son dead yesterday. Robert Bergstedt... who has cared for his adopted son since his wife died in 1978... says his son pulled his breathing tube out.

A street on Chicago's South Side has a new name- Sammy Davis Junior Drive. More than 200 people- including the mother, wife and sister of the late entertainer- were on hand for yesterday's dedicated ceremony. Davis died in May of cancer. He was 64.

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#90278u0809 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (OCT. 5) UPI - Hurricane Klaus, upgraded from tropical storm strength, swirled in place Friday with 80-mph winds and spilled heavy rains onto the islands of Barbuda and Antigua, while Hurricane Josephine drifted in the Atlantic.

Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center expected Klaus, which grew into the sixth hurricane of the year Friday, to continue strengthening over the next 24 hours and to resume drifting to the northwest.

''It's just building up out there,'' said Miles Lawrence, a forecaster at the National Hurricane Center. ''It's just not moving.... Our expectation is its going to start moving to the northwest but that hasn't happened yet.''

In the northeast Caribbean, hurricane warnings remained in effect for islands from St. Martin eastward, including the British Virgin Islands, Nevis, Barbuda Montserrat, Antigua and surrounding islands.

Tropical storm warnings were in place for Guadeloupe and the neighboring French islands.

Forecasters warned boaters in the northeast Caribbean from Puerto Rico eastward to stay near port. Klaus dumped heavy rains on Martinique Thursday, producing flash flooding that triggered mud slides.

At 6 a.m. EDT Friday, Klaus was centered near latitude 17.2 north, longitude 61.3 west, or about 30 miles east-northeast of Antigua.

Maximum sustained winds were near 80 mph, 6 mph above the hurricane threshold of 74 mph.

Hurricane force winds extended outward up to 30 miles, while tropical storm-force winds extended up to 115 miles east of the center and 40 miles west of the center.

Probability charts from the hurricane center said there was a 14 percent to 17 percent chance the storm's eye would pass within 65 miles of St. Croix and St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands and San Juan and Ponce, Puerto Rico, by 2 a.m. Monday.

Klaus is the 11th named storm of the 1990 Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30. It sprang from a tropical depression that rapidly strengthened Wednesday.

The 10th named storm, Hurricane Josephine, achieved winds of 75 mph Friday as it meandered through the north Atlantic toward the Azores.

Josephine formed off the African coast Sept. 16 and has waxed and waned as it followed an erratic northward course through the Atlantic.

At 6 a.m. EDT, Josephine was centered near latitude 30.4 north, longitude 40.0 west, or about 920 miles southwest of Terceira in the Azores. Hurricance force winds extended outward up to 30 miles from the center with tropical storm force winds extending 145 miles.

Josephine was moving north at near 10 mph and was expected to continue that motion for the next 12 hours with a gradual turn to the north late Friday.

The system was considered a threat only to marine interests.

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#90278u0827 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, Germany (OCT. 5) UPI - German deputies overwhelmingly adopted an agreement Friday between the two former German states and the four victorious World War II Allies that will grant full sovereignty to unified Germany.

Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher called the agreement the ''most important treaty of the postwar period.''

He said the treaty, which was signed Sept. 12 by the foreign ministers of East and West Germany, Britain, France, the United States and the Soviet Union, opened the path to German unification.

Genscher told parliamentarians in a speech preceding the vote that united Germany will not abuse its independence to regain power, but to work responsibly for peace and security in Europe.

The foreign ministers of the four World War II Allies and their two German counterparts held meetings in Bonn, Paris and Moscow - dubbed the two-plus-four talks - to work out the external aspects of unification.

Since the end of the war, defeated Germany was occupied by the four allied forces.

When the cold war erupted shortly after the war, both German states eventually became close allies of their respective blocs. But the allied forces still held certain rights over the German governments, diminishing their sovereignty.

The treaty reinstalls full sovereignty to unified Germany. The four World War II victors have already announced they will withdraw part of their forces from German territory.

The treaty has to be ratified by the parliaments of all four Allies before it goes into effect.

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#90278u0844 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, Germany (OCT. 5) UPI - East German politicians now in the united Parliament and Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Cabinet will be earning salaries undreamed of under communism.

There are 144 former East German deputies in Parliament - which began real work in Bonn Friday after the ceremonial opening in Berlin - and five Cabinet members.

Parliament members get basic pay of 14,938 Deutschmarks a month, which at current exchange rates is equivalent to $9,763.

Former East German premier Lother de Maiziere and four others became ministers without portfolio, meaning the basic parliamentary deputy's allowance plus 20,134 Deutschmarks, or $13,160, a month in ministerial salary.

That amounts to 35,072 marks, or $22,932 a month, plus home, personal aide, secretary and chauffeured limousine.

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#90278u0845 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

BUENOS AIRES (OCT. 5) UPI - The Bell Atlantic consortium withdrew its

winning bid to buy 60 percent of the northern half of the Argentine telephone monopoly Entel, it was announced at a news conference.

The spokesman of the public works ministry told media reporters Thursday night a consortium led by the Italian telephone company Stet would take over the northern half of the company instead.

The new owner of northern Entel was a group composed of Stet, France Cables et Radio, Perez Companc and the Morgan Bank.

Oct. 4 was the deadline for representatives of the two consortiums that won the June bidding to close the deal with the Argentine government.

In June, Bell Atlantic, the Philadelphia-based regional telecommunications company, and Manufacturers Hanover Trust were awarded the bid for the controlling interest in the northern half of the company by offering$100 million in up-front cash, $176.57 million to be spread over three years and agreeing to buy $2.309 billion in Argentine debt securities.

However, the group was unable to close the deal on Oct. 4, when the money and debt paper was to be turned over to the Argentine government.

Spain's Telefonica de Espana and Citicorp won the bid to buy the controlling interest in the southern half of Entel by offering $114 million in cash upfront, $204.43 million over three years and $2.72 billion in debt.

Officials have said that transfer of the ownership of the southern half of the company was running smoothely.

The sale of Entel is part of a larger plan by Argentine President Carlos Menem to privatize money-losing state-owned business. Among the public businesses up for sale or in the process of being bought are the state airline, Aerolineas Argentinas; secondary oil fields, some railroad lines, the state natural gas company and the Buenos Aires subway system.

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#90278u0848 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 5) UPI - Baghdad has asked foreign companies to provide lists of their employees who are older than 55 and trapped in Iraq or Kuwait, but British officials expressed skepticism Friday that the request meant they would be freed.

It is impossible to know whether Iraqi President Saddam Hussein intends to release the Westerners or use the lists to round up more hostages to use as a shield against attack, a Foreign Office spokesman said.

Iraqi government asked businesses still operating in Iraq or Kuwait to furnish

Iraq with the names of their employees over the age of 55.

''We've seen the reports made by the British and Irish embassies about the request,'' a spokesman said.

''But the embassies themselves have not received such a request. The requests were made directly to the companies themselves. The British Embassy is seeking further clarification to see what it means.''

''We cannot let this news detract us from the central issue, which is the unjustified and illegal seizure of Kuwait by Iraq,'' he said.

Saddam has refused to grant exit visas to foreign men who were in Iraq or Kuwait when his troops invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

Many have been rounded up by Iraqi soldiers and were being held as hostages in strategic installations to guard against a military strike. But others were still believed to be in hiding.

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#90278u0857 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 5) UPI - Helping to water the free market seed now planted in socialist soil, the Philadelphia Stock Exchange is set next week to host a prestigious gathering of international economic policy makers.

The idea is to expose business and politcal leaders emerging from behind the Iron Curtain to the practical world of capitalism, while giving Westerners a chance to spot opportunities on untrodden turf in newly opened markets.

''It's about helping folks from both sides of the equation find linkages they otherwise wouldn't know were there,'' said Crocker Snow, editor-in-chief of World Times, a Boston-based publishing company specializing in global information exchange. World Times developed the theme and program of the symposium for the stock exchange.

The Oct. 7-9 meeting caps a year-long 200th anniversary celebration for the Philadelphia bourse. More importantly, it represents an opportunity for the exchange, an innovator of foreign currency options trading, to pinpoint business opportunities and expand its market, said Senior Vice President Joseph Rizzello.

''We think by hosting this conference we're being out in front,'' Rizzello said. ''A lot of people say the opportunities in Eastern Europe are five to 10 years down the road, but the Philadelphia Stock Exchange wants to take the lead.''

The Philadelphia exchange has suffered along with the rest of the financial

industry as recessionary jitters have caused its revenues to slump. In its 200th year, the exchange expects to report a loss of between $1 million and $1.5 million.

But exchange officials are undaunted by the current climate.

''It's exactly in these kinds of times that great opportunities present themselves,'' said Rizzello.

About 140 economists, corporate officers and senior foreign exchange reresentatives have paid $1,000 to attend the summit, which is expected to attract media coverage by such disparate news outlets as USA Today and Tass.

On the program are notables from the Near East including Silviu Brucan, a Communist father from Romania who has disavowed the party and now sits on the executive committee of his country's National Salvation Front, and Mieczyslaw Wilczek, a former Polish Minister of Industry who is widely considered to be his nation's most successful businessman.

''We didn't want yet another meeting of primarily Western experts discussing the changes in Eastern Europe,'' said Snow. ''We have an eclectic mix of some of the key people who have fostered these changes or are implementing them and they will speak for themselves.''

Scheduled to a give a report from an exploratory committee for capital markets formation is U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman Richard Breeden. The committee is set to meet privately for five hours on the first day of the symposium.

Richard Erb, Deputy Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund, is slated to give a keynote address on the need for quick and comprehesive reform in the Eastern Europe.

Despite the tendency to view Eastern Europe as a bloc where conditions are roughly similar, Snow said he believes participants will come away with a sense of how conditions differ from country to country.

''It's a mistake to think of the Eastern bloc as homogeneous,'' he said. ''Conditions are as different, country to country, as the United States and Mexico.''

Hungary has gone the farthest in adopting free market practices, Snow said, followed by Poland. But Czechoslovakia is barely beginning to open its markets and Romania lags way behind in terms of actual change.

Furthermore, he said, it's important for Westerners to understand that the financial future of all Eastern bloc nations may rely on happy economic relations with the Soviet Union, and specifically the Russian republic.

''There are very great opportunities for Western businesses,'' he said. ''But they must be culturally sensitive and patient about the circumstances in Eastern Europe.

''One of the hidden agendas of the symposium is to expose the circumstances as honestly as possible.''

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BONN, GERMANY (OCT. 5) UPI - Two days after German unification, Parliament adopted a new electoral law for the Dec. 2 national elections that again split the country into east and west voting regions.

In their first regular session in Bonn after an inaugural meeting Thursday in Berlin, a large majority of deputies swiftly approved the new law. Last week, the German supreme court rejected an earlier proposal as unconstitutional.

Under the new law, a hurdle allowing only parties that receive at least 5 percent of the vote to enter Parliament will be imposed separately in the two parts of the country.

The previous proposal was for a 5 percent minimum vote in all of Germany - rejected by the supreme court on grounds that it should have given small East German parties little chance of representation in Parliament.

It said East German groups without West German sister parties could not have made themselves known in all of Germany by Dec. 2 and thus never be able to pass the 5-percent barrier.

In its announcement last week, the court recommended either splitting the country into two voting regions or lowering the 5 percent hurdle to 3 percent.

The three strongest parties - Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union, its coalition partner Free Democratic Party and the opposition Social Democratic Party - voted Friday in favor of the new law based on the first recommendation.

But the environmentalist Green party and the Party for Democratic Socialism - the renamed East German Communist party - vehemently opposed the bill, saying it does not offer equal opportunities to all parties.

PDS Chairman Gregor Gysi said any kind of percent hurdle forces ''voters to become election strategists,'' because they will try to vote for a party that is likely to pass the 5-percent barrier.

Gysi claimed the big parties were trying to keep smaller and splinter parties

out of Parliament by passing unfair voting laws.

Political observers confirmed that the SPD wants to keep the left- wing PDS out of Parliament, while the conservative CDU hopes to avoid a parliamentary debut by the right-wing Republican party.

Green party and PDS deputies threatened to bring the new law before the constitutional court again.

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DETROIT (OCT. 5) UPI - A fire possibly set by an arsonist raged through an apartment building for senior citizens, leaving five people dead and about 15 injured as panicked residents jumped from windows to escape the smoke and flames.

Fire officials said the four-story Majestic Manor had no fire escape or sprinkler system. Glass littered the lawn and sidewalks below shattered windows Friday morning as chilled and fatigued residents huddled in the lobby.

Police said a 50-year-old man was in custody Friday for investigation of arson. Thursday night's three-alarm fire started in the west wing in the stairwell between the second and third floors, an investigator said.

Fire and thick smoke swept up the stairwell, choking hallways and preventing many from fleeing their apartments.

Firefighters arrived to find many residents had already jumped from windows to escape the flames and smoke and many others were trying to jump.

''We tried to stop them from jumping,'' Fire Chief Harold Watkins said. ''We told them ladders would be there. But the smoke was just too much for them. They just couldn't stand it.''

Three of the dead were later identified as Elmer Slater, 68, who lived in the building, a friend, LaVergie Jones, 32, and Eugene Bell, 80. The other two victims were not identified. One was dead on arrival at Henry Ford Hospital and the other at Detroit Receiving Hospital.

Diamond Steward, 58, said Slater and Jones were visiting him in his apartment when the fire broke out. Jones, he said, was pregnant. Steward scrambled out his fourth-floor window onto a fire ladder, thinking they were behind him.

''As soon as they put the ladder up there, I got on it,'' Steward said. ''I thought Vergie was right behind me. But I never saw her. I said, 'Vergie, Vergie,' but I never heard her. I never saw her. When I got down I told them there were two people still up there. They're at the morgue now.''

The brick structure has two wings extending from a courtyard and sits in a once-aflluent neighborhood of stately mansions.

Watkins confirmed that the building, built in the 1920s, has no fire escapes or sprinkler system.

Jenkins Taylor, 55, said he and his nephew, Charles Burrell, jumped about 10 feet from his first floor apartment facing the street.

''It was just a terrible tragedy,'' said Taylor as he left to see a doctor about a minor injury from his jump. ''It happened so quick. People were running around and screaming and the smoke was so thick you couldn't see. It was all confusion.

''I came in about 10:30 (p.m.) and turned on the TV and about 11 I heard the screaming. My apartment was not burned and we were able to escape out the window.''

The fire started about 11 p.m. Thursday and was out by about 1:30 a.m.

About 15 people in the 79-unit building were taken to three hospitals for treatment, mostly from injuries suffered jumping from windows.

Two residents, a woman and a man, were listed in serious condition in Detroit Receiving Hospital with smoke-inhalation injuries. The man also broke a leg while jumping, a hospital spokesman said.

One Emergency Medical Service technician was slightly injured by falling debris. Two firefighters were taken to Grace Hospital but were released a short time later.

Building manager Geraldine Larkins said the victims were burned beyond recognition.

''They were old people I could not recognize,'' she said. ''The skin was burned off their bodies. Their clothing was burned off them.''

''The fire marshal said the people who died would not have died if they kept their doors shut,'' she said. ''I almost panicked. I started to go out the window.''

Asked if the fire was deliberately set, Larkins said, ''I don't know about that.''

Later, five residents were taken to a Salvation Army emergency shelter and some were allowed to return to their apartments. It was not immediately known how many tenants were left homeless.

Richard Roberts spent most of the night in a hospital where he was treated for smoke inhalation.

''I ran out with my shorts. I didn't have nothing on, barefoot and everything '' he said. ''When I opened my (apartment) door, I knew it was time to get out.''

He said the hallway was ''black as the devil'' from smoke.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - House Speaker Thomas Foley plans to push today for an emergency measure to continue federal spending levels past midnight and avoid automatic budget cuts. A stop-gap spending bill is needed following this morning's House vote to reject the bipartisan budget agreement. If Congress doesN'T take some action by midnight... cuts will cause one- Million federal workers to be furloughed and public services to be disrupted nationwide.

The unemployment rate in September hit its highest level in more than two years. The government says factory layoffs caused much of the one- tenth of one percent increase in the jobless rate... which hit five- point-seven percent in September. The Labor Department says 101-thousand people lost jobs last month. 42-thousand of those were temporary census laborers whose work is done.

Iraq says it has hope for the Middle East peace plan offered by France. Iraq's deputy minister said in a news conference yesterday in Amman, Jordan, that he belives France ''has good intentions.'' The French plan calls for complete withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait... free elections for the emirate... a general arms reduction in the region... and a comprehensive attempt to solve the Palestinian problem.

British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd says an international conference should be convened to discuss a homeland for the Palestinians... but only after Iraq pulls out of Kuwati. In London last night... Hurd said Palestinians deserve sympathy because- quote- ''their lands are occupied, they have NO political rights and they are daily victims of a misguided policy.'' Hurd also linked Iraq with the Arab- Israeli dispute in a speech to the U-N.

Elderly residents leaped out of a burning Detroit apartment building to escape a fire that killed five people and injured about 15 others . Investigators believe they have traced the fire to careless use of a cooking stove by a first-floor tenant. Flames and thick smoke swept up a stairwell, filling hallways and preventing many from fleeing their apartments.

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DAYTON, Ohio (OCT. 5) UPI - A Montgomery County Common Pleas Court jury must determine who was responsible for a 1986 train derailment in suburban Miamisburg that caused the largest community evacuation in U.S. history.

Opening statements were delivered Thursday in the trial of a class- action lawsuit against the CSX Transporation Inc., the Union Tank Car Co. and Albright and Wilson Inc.

Stanley Chesley, a Cincinnati lawyer representing potential plaintiffs, said the derailment was caused by a series of incidents beginning several years before the accident.

Chesley said those incidents included improper maintenance and repair of the track, speeding by the train, and failure to make necessary changes to a tank car.

The lawyer estimated there are 50,000 potential plaintiffs who were affected. Claims for damages filed by 13,900 people already have been settled.

On July 8, 1986, a CSX train derailed near Miamisburg. A tank car containing about 180,000 pounds of phosphorus ruputured, and a huge fire and vapor cloud forced about 40,000 people from their homes.

Chesley said a CSX crew worked three hours on the day of the accident to level the track. That crew should have posted an order reducing the speed limit to 10 mph, he said. The train was traveling 45 mph when it went off the track about 2 1/2 hours after the repair work was completed.

Displaying the tank car's brake suspension bracket, which punctured the bottom of the car, the attorney claimed Chicago-based Union Tank Car and Albright and Wilson were negligent for not making design changes required after 1971.

UTC made and owned the tank car, and A&W leased it to carry the phosphorus.

Roger Fry, a lawyer for A&W, said his company is ''very safety conscious'' and took two other tank cars out of service after the accident.

UTC laywer William Johnston said the design changes required on tank cars in 1971 were never made retroactive to cars built before then. He said the derailed car was built in 1966.

James O'Connell, a laywer representing CSX, said the repair crew did not make the kind of repairs that required ordering trains to slow down. Another train, he said, passed after the repairs and before the accident with no problems.

He said experts retained by CSX found no basis to Chesley's claim that the

track was kinked. He said that because of the extensive damage, CSX's experts could not identify the cause of the derailment.

O'Connell also claimed that Miamisburg firefighters ''made matters worse'' by spraying water, rather than fog, on the fire. The water undermined the ground under the car, causing it to overturn and spill more phosphorus, he said.

CSX Transportation Inc., based in Jacksonville, Fla., is a subsidiary of CSX Corp., of Richmond, Va.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Frprt McMrn Copper A	Q	.55	11-1	10-15
Usual				
Amax Inc	Q	.20	12-1	11-12
Bando McGlocklin	Q	.22	11-15	10-15
Convert Hldgs Inco	Q	.33	10-26	10-15
Corning Natural Gas	Q	.29	11-20	11-1
Eqty Inco 1stEx AT&T	M	.21008	11-1	10-15
Excelsior Inco Shs	Q	.35	11-1	10-15
Great Southrn Bncp	..	.09	10-23	10-15
Hunt Mfg Co	Q	.07 3/4	10-23	10-15
Mercantile Stores	Q	.24 1/4	12-14	11-30
Noland Co	Q	.11 1/2	10-25	10-15
Orange & Rocklnd Util	Q	.58 1/2	11-1	10-15
Patriot Prem Div	M	.10	11-5	10-22
Sabine Royalty Tr	M	.11776	10-29	10-15
Sierra Pacific Res	Q	.46	11-1	10-17
Southwestern Energy	Q	.14	11-5	10-19
United Water Res	Q	.22	12-1	11-15
Upper Penin Energy	Q	.55 1/2	11-1	10-12
VMS Strategic Land	..	.10	11-15	10-15

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - First lady Barbara Bush will stand in for President Bush Friday night at a fund-raiser in Kennebunkport, Maine, for Republican Gov. John McKernan, her office announced.

The president earlier this week postponed a two-day New England campaign swing on behalf of McKernan and GOP candidates in Boston, Waterbury and Stamford, Conn., Burlington, Vt., and Manchester, N.H., so he could stay in Washington to promote the deficit-cutting budget deal that was defeated by the House early Friday.

A spokeswoman said the first lady also planned to close the family's summer compound in the Maine resort community for the winter before returning to the Washington area Sunday to join the president at the Camp David presidential retreat.

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HELSINKI, FINLAND (OCT. 5) UPI - An unarmed Soviet hijacker gave himself up to Finnish police at Helsinki airport Friday after forcing a civilian Soviet airliner to Finland, police said.

The aircraft, a 28-seat YAK-40 jet of the Aeroflot airline, was on a domestic flight from Novgorod, 300 miles northwest of Moscow, to Petrozadovsk near the Fenno-Soviet border when it was hijacked.

Police spokesmen said Friday there had been 22 passengers and four crew members aboard the aircraft.

Police refused to identify the hijacker and would not disclose what method he had used to hijack the aircraft, other than saying they found ''incriminating material'' in the aircraft.

They said he was a Soviet citizen, was born in 1949 and had wanted to be taken to Sweden. When told the aircraft did not have enough fuel, he agreed to let the plane land in Finland.

The hijacking continued a spate of air piracy in 1990, in which five young Soviet men have hijacked domestic civilian airliners from the Soviet Union to Finland and Sweden.

All of the hijackers have asked for asylum in the Nordic region. None have been given such asylum. Four have been returned to face trial in the Soviet Union.

The Swedish government deemed one hijacker unfit to face trial in the Soviet Union and put him on trial in Sweden, where he is now serving his sentence. Upon release, he is to be extradited back to the Soviet Union.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.40-2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 134.63-139.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 45.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $459.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 300.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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CAGAYAN DE ORO, Philippines (OCT. 5) UPI - A rebel leader offered Friday to surrender a garrison on the southern island of Mindanao after government warplanes blasted his soliders out of one garrison and prepared to recapture the other.

As President Corazon Aquino ordered her army to quash the day-old rebellion in Mindanao, rebel leader Col. Alexander Noble said his intentions were misunderstood and that he merely wanted to talk to military officials about reforms and genuine reconciliation.

Armed forces chief Gen. Renato de Villa told reporters in Manila that two T-28 Tora Tora planes bombed the brigade headquarters in Butuan city, 500 miles south of Manila, sending rebels scampering away.

De Villa said troops were poised to strike in Cagayan de Oro city, where Noble and opposition politician Reuben Canoy, were holding out in Camp Evangelista.

''For all intents and purposes, the rebellion of Noble and Canoy is finished '' de Villa said, pointing out rebel hopes other government forces in the area would defect to them have not materialized.

''At first I was overwhelmed by the spontaneous crowd which expressed support for my cause, but now those people who promised to be by my side have left me '' Noble told the Most Rev. Ray Monsanto, the vicar general of Cagayan de Oro.

De Villa, however, confirmed news reports that a platoon of soldiers in Iligan city near Cagayan de Oro had apparently defected to Noble.

Noble told the priest that he never intended to occupy the Cagayan de Oro garrison. He just found it ''abandoned.''

Noble told Monsanto that if the military asked him, ''I am willing to leave this camp peacefully.'' He said he was willing to return to the armed forces if Aquino granted him amnesty.

Noble and his force of some 600 soldiers and militiamen began the uprising Thursday by taking Butuan and Cagayan de Oro.

Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos flew to Mindanao and inspected the cities of Zamboanga, Cotabato and Davao, where a simultaneous uprising had earlier been expected.

Ramos said the situation in Mindanao was serious and should not be downplayed, but said he did not think the rebels will succeed because they did not have support of the people.

Noble, who declared Mindanao an independent federal state on Thursday, at a news conference Friday offered to negotiate and said he wanted reforms in the military and genuine reconciliation. He denied he took control of the camp, saying it was ''abandoned'' when he came Thursday.

''My sole purpose in coming over here is to initiate a dialogue and start a

crusade or a movement for peace and unity among the military here in Mindanao and our people in general,'' said Noble, Aquino's former deputy chief of presidential security.

Asked about Noble's offer to negotiate, a grim-faced de Villa said, ''No, never.'' He said it was good military dependents and civilians were evacuating Camp Evangelista. ''We always worry about civilian casualties,'' he said.

Aquino had placed the 159,000-member armed forces on red alert - the maximum state of readiness - after Noble seized the garrisons and vowed to end the crisis swiftly.

''We will crush these pretenders, as we did before, for our people will never support their naked attempt to grab power,'' she said in a speech Friday to the annual Philippine Business Conference.

Aquino has survived six coup attempts. The worst challenge to her four-year rule in December left 119 people dead and more than 500 wounded.

The businessmen have expressed fears of a recession in the cash- strapped country following a particularly difficult year. It was hit by a major earthquake, typhoons, bombings and finally the Persian Gulf crisis, which has forced Aquino to raise petroleum prices and triggered worker unrest.

Air and sea services to the area have been suspended since Thursday and schools and offices have remained closed.

Ramos has directed the filing of rebellion charges against Noble after he fired off letters to diplomatic missions in Manila seeking recognition. Officials reported embassies said they were ignoring the letters.

Brig. Gen. Miguel Sol, the Cagayan de Oro commander, who was sacked early Friday after he failed to report to headquarters in Manila, surfaced inside the camp in the evening.

Mindanao, the country's second largest island rich in minerals and timber and inhabited by a quarter of the 60 million Filipinos, has been wracked by a Moslem separatist insurgency for the past two decades. More than 50,000 people have died in the fighting.

Communist guerrillas battling Manila for 21 years also operate in northeastern Mindanao.

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SOWETO, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 5) UPI - African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela said Friday the ANC and the government will meet Monday to discuss a

wave of violence that has killed at least 800 people.

''The government has indicated that there will be a meeting ... on the violence and police responses. We will be meeting on Monday, probably in Cape Town,'' Mandela told reporters.

He did not say who would represent the sides.

A spokesman for President Frederik de Klerk declined to confirm a meeting was scheduled.

The ANC has since late September been requesting a special meeting to discuss more than six weeks of the destructive conflict, which raged in the townships around Johannesburg until being quelled in mid-September by military-style measures codenamed Iron Fist.

ANC officials said they were not seeking a full-scale summit, similar to the two rounds of discussions in May and August that cleared the way to power-sharing negotiations, but wanted a meeting focusing on the violence that they said threatens the peace process.

Government officials have responded that Pretoria sees no need for urgent top-level talks, in light of other forms of contact between the parties, including private meetings between Mandela and de Klerk, and the effectiveness of Iron Fist.

Authorities Friday lifted the most controversial measure, a nightly curfew, in most parts of the nation's largest township of Soweto, citing an end to factional strife.

But Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok said the curfew would be maintained in three other townships. He also said other Iron Fist measures, including heavily armed police and army patrols and roadblocks, would remain in effect in all areas.

Mandela has charged that a shadowy ''third force'' orchestrated the violence, which was characterized by clashes between the multi-tribal supporters of the ANC and followers of Mangosuthu Buthelezi's exclusively Zulu Inkatha movement.

He repeated the charge Friday after a meeting at his home with representatives of five of South Africa's six nominally self-governing tribal territories.

''We've agreed that there is a third force that is orchestrating this violence. The violence is not ... a conflict between Xhosas and Zulus,'' he said.

De Klerk has said a third force may be responsible for some of the conflict, but said its roots lay in tribal differences.

Buthelezi, who is also leader of the KwaZulu territory, had declined to attend the meeting at Mandela's home after being invited only in his capacity as territorial chief, an action he said would preclude any meaningful talks on the strife regarding his national Inkatha movement.

ANC officials have accused Buthelezi of fomenting the fighting to undercut the more popular ANC in power-sharing talks with Pretoria.

But Mandela noted, ''We regret that Buthelezi did not attend.'' And he added that ''there is always the possibility'' of a meeting between him and the Zulu leader.

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BEIJING (OCT. 5) UPI - China on Friday launched a scientific experiment satellite carrying animals and plants into space to assess their response to weightlessness, the official Xinhua news agency reported.

The craft was launched from the Chinese space center at Jiuquan, in northwest Gansu Province, at 2:15 p.m. Beijing time and carried into orbit by a Long March-2 rocket, the report said.

''The satellite is carrying animals and plants so that their reactions under conditions of weightlessness can be observed,'' Xinhua said. The report did not specify the types of animals involved.

The spacecraft is scheduled to return in eight days. Xinhua said ground trackers reported the satellite's instruments were ''working well.''

In a separate dispatch, Xinhua also said researchers from the Chinese Academy of Sciences recently launched a space probe to study the depletion of the ozone layer up to 19 miles above the Earth.

The report said the launch was successful but did not give details.

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NEW DELHI, India (OCT. 5) UPI - India charged Friday that Pakistan has intensified its shelling of northern border posts in an attempt to provide cover for armed Moslem militants crossing into Indian territory before winter snows block the high mountain passes.

''The shelling taking place is an attempt to create a diversion and to pin down some of our forces while heavy infiltration of armed militants has been attempted in other areas,'' said a spokesman for the Foreign Ministry.

The spokesman said a ''pattern of unprovoked and heavy shelling'' by Pakistani armed forces was emerging in at least three areas along the disputed border between India and Pakistan in northern Jammu and Kashmir state.

Official complaints have been lodged with Pakistani authorities in Islamabad and New Delhi, he said.

Pakistaini officials in New Delhi and Islamabad could not be reached for comment.

India claims that Pakistan is arming and training Kashmiri Moslem militants who are waging a bloody separatist movement in the Kashmir Valley, home to 4 million Moslems.

''The intensity of the shelling as well as the range of weapons employed, such as mortars and artillery, is more than normal,'' the spokesman said. ''There is no intention on our part to give them an excuse for escalation.''

The spokesman said that the Indian armed forces were ''obliged to dismantle'' certain unspecified structures on the Pakistani side of the border, but he declined to be more specific. The Indian army apparently has dismantled the structures by shelling them.

The increase in shelling began in mid-August and the step-up in military activity coincided with an ''intensified spurt in infiltration of highly armed militants trained in camps'' in Pakistan.

The spokesman said the increase in infiltration was reflected in the number of militants and weapons captured. While 147 militants were captured in Indian territory for the entire month of September, authorities nabbed 107 militants during the first four days of October, he said.

In September, 114 AK-47 automatic rifles were confiscated. But in the first four days of October, 150 of the weapons were recovered, he said.

Rebels apparently were increasing their efforts to cross the border from Pakistan before snows seal the high mountain passes between the two countries.

Moslem militants have been waging a bloody separatist movement since 1988, but the drive received widespread support from the region's Moslem population after security forces opened fire on demonstrators last January, killing at least 35 people.

Since then at least 800 people have been killed in the near-daily violence. Tens of thousands of Indian army troops and paramilitary forces deployed to the area have failed to crush the uprising.

India has repeatedly charged neighboring Islamic Pakistan with fomenting violence in Kashmir, an allegation that Islamabad denies. The crisis led to a bitter exchange of rhetoric between the two countries earlier this year, and many political observers and diplomats from numerous countries feared that a fourth Indo-Pakistan war could erupt.

Diplomats from the Soviet Union, the United States and several other nations urged the two nations to settle the dispute without going to war. The measures as well as diplomatic efforts by India and Pakistan, helped to lower tension and reduce the risk of war.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 5) UPI - Trading was choppy and grain and soybean futures were mixed at midmorning Friday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Corn and soybeans were moderately higher on steady buying activity and firm basis levels, but gains were tempered by harvest activity and the weakness in the stock market.

The defeat of a federal budget compromise by the House of Representatives was somewhat depressing for the market because of the implications on farm programs.

The strength in soybeans was somewhat of a surprise. Traders had expected lower prices, but he market was higher on professional buying during the first hour.

Weekend weather conditions are expected to permit farmers to make good progress with the corn and soybean harvest.

Widespread selling limited the gains in corn.

Wheat prices were lower, but losses were tempered by the prospect of near-term export business.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.31 3/4 up 1; Mar 2.40 1/2 up 1/4; May 2.46 1/4 up 1/4.

Soybeans Nov 6.18 1/2 up 3/4; Jan 6.32 1/2 up 1; Mar 6.45 up 1; May 6.55 up 1 1/4.

Wheat Dec 2.73 3/4 off 1 1/4; Mar 2.87 3/4 off 1 1/4; May 2.94 1/4 off 1 1/2.

Oats Dec 1.21 3/4 off 1 1/2; Mar 1.32 1/2 off 1; May 1.39 off 1 1/2.

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BONN, Germany (OCT. 5) UPI - Former President Ronald Reagan was named recipient of the German-American Unity Foundation medallion for his ''outstanding contributions'' to U.S.-German relations, the foundation said Friday.

Spokeswoman Mary-Michaele Brooks said she did not know if Reagan would attend the Oct. 28 gala celebration to receive the honor. Reagan is currently campaigning for Republican candidates in upcoming U.S. elections.

Reagan, who was told of the honor Sept. 12 while visiting Berlin, was ''thrilled'' about the award, Brooks said.

The foundation, established in 1981, annually presents the medallions to one American and one German for their activities in German-American affairs. Stuttgart Mayor Manfred Rommel was named the other medallion recipient.

The foundation acknowledged Reagan for opening a German-American garden in Washington and for declaring Oct. 6 as German-American Day in the United States.

''Because of his strong relationship with German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, Reagan took an active interest in German-American affairs,'' Brooks said.

She said more than 400 German and American soldiers and their spouses will attend this year's gala, which is of ''particular importance'' because thousands of American servicemen stationed in Germany will be returning to the United States.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney announced last month that 86 military bases in Germany will be closed and at least 95,000 soldiers sent back to the United States within the next two years.

''We're trying to give a lasting good impression of Germany,'' Brooks said. ''We want the American soldiers to remember Germany fondly.''

Past medallion recipients include Henry Kissinger, former secretary of state, Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner and John Galvin, supreme allied commander in Europe.

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#90278u0981 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
AMRITSAR, INDIA (OCT. 5) UPI - Sikh separatist violence in northern Punjab state has left at least 19 people dead, including eight security personnel and

seven militants, police said Friday.

The worst incident occurred Thursday night when a group of militants entered a police post in Nagkalan, a village north of the Sikh holy city of Amritsar, killing six security personnel in a burst of automatic weapons fire. Police blamed the slaying on the newly established Khalistan National Army, whose members were allowed into the post by a Sikh official manning the gate. The guard allegedly denied the attack was taking place when police from another post contected him by radio about the sound of gunfire, police said. Singh fled along with the gunmen. Police said security forces scored a notable victory Friday against the extremists when they shot dead Jaswinder Singh, a hard-core militant accused of more than 100 slayings. The state government had announced a reward of $27,800 for his capture, dead or alive. The Singh and an accomplice were shot dead when they tried to flee after killing a bank guard in Amritsar. They were intercepted and killed by a police patrol, police said.

In another incident, a militant was killed and 12 civilians injured when a bomb exploded at a market in Batala, a town 30 miles northeast of Amritsar, police said.

The bomb exploded as a militant tried to throw it at a group of people who spotted him carrying the device, police said. They said the bomb slipped from his hand and exploded, killing him and wounding 12 civilians nearby.

At least nine other people, including four militants and two security officials, were killed in other incidents across the state, police said.

Since 1983, Sikh separatists have been waging a bloody campaign to create the theocratic state of ''Khalistan,'' or the ''Land of Pure,'' in Punjab.

More than 10,000 people have died in the separatist violence.

Sikh militants claim that members of their faith need a separate state to escape alleged discrimination against them by the Hindu- dominated central government.

Sikhs make up 2 percent of India's 830 million people, most of whom are Hindus.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (OCT. 5) UPI - NASA managers and a federal judge cleared the shuttle Discovery for fueling Friday and takeoff Saturday to launch the nuclear-powered Ulysses probe on a voyage over the uncharted poles of the sun.

''We're ready to go,'' said William Lenoir, chief of NASA's manned space program. ''Discovery is ready. I just left the crew and they're ready and

anxious to go. From where we sit right now, the one remaining question ... is will the weather cooperate? But we're ready to go.''

About 20 anti-nuclear activists demonstrated Friday at the Kennedy Space Center to protest the launch and two were arrested for trespassing. But a federal judge in Washington refused to block the launch, clearing Discovery for takeoff at 7:35 a.m. Saturday to end a five-month hiatus in shuttle flights.

The goal of the 36th shuttle mission, only the fourth so far this year, is the deployment of the European-built Ulysses solar probe on a five-year, $750 million voyage over the uncharted poles of the sun. A 60 percent chance of good weather was expected at launch time Saturday.

Anti-nuclear activists, concerned about the safety of a Ulysses's atomic power pack, asked U.S. District Judge Oliver Gasch last week to cancel the countdown claiming NASA underestimated the odds of a radiation release in the event of a launch accident. But Gasch ruled Friday NASA could proceed with Discovery's launch.

At a 50-minute hearing Thursday in Washington, the Foundation for Economic Trends, the Florida Coalition for Peace and Justice and the Christic Institute argued that recent fuel leaks that grounded the shuttles Atlantis and Columbia have raised serious questions about the safety of NASA's launch program.

''It's been mishap after mishap,'' said Jeremy Rifkin of the Foundation for Economic Trends. ''It's irresponsible for NASA to send up Discovery when the other two shuttles are grounded.''

Yet another such mishap occurred Wednesday when a 9-foot metal beam mistakenly left in Atlantis's engine compartment fell as the ship was being lifted into its launch position. It is not yet clear whether Atlantis was damaged or whether the ship can still meet its Nov. 7 launch target.

As for Discovery, efforts to ground NASA's nuclear-powered Galileo Jupiter probe failed last October and NASA managers were confident the Ulysses mission would be cleared for blastoff as well.

Getting Discovery into orbit is crucial for the European Space Agency and for NASA, which has endured intense criticism in recent months because of problems with the Hubble Space Telescope and elusive hydrogen fuel leaks that grounded the shuttles Columbia and Atlantis in May, July and September.

''I think it will be very important to the morale of all of us in this business to see the shuttle flying again,'' said Willis Meeks, U.S. project manager of the Ulysses program.

''Our feeling about Discovery is, we haven't had any leaks and we've seen no

evidence that we have leaks and we are very confident that this machine will work. We're ready to go on Saturday morning.''

Discovery skipper Richard ''Dick'' Richards, 44, co-pilot Robert Cabana, 41, flight engineer William Shepherd, 41, Bruce Melnick, 40, and Thomas Akers, 39, plan to spend four days in orbit before gliding to a landing Wednesday morning at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif.

NASA and the European Space Agency originally intended to launch Ulysses in 1986, but the flight was grounded by the Challenger disaster. For many of the men and women involved with the project, launch marks the end of more than a decade of preparation.

''We're all very excited, after a long wait, to be now at the eve of launch,'' said Peter Wenzel, Ulysses project scientist for the European Space Agency. ''The sun is the only star that we can observe directly and its environment is the only large scale astrophysical laboratory where we can make direct measurements.

''So besides learning about our star, its environment and it's influence on the Earth, we will also learn quite a deal about other astrophysical settings. So we're very excited.''

Ulysses cannot be launched directly to the sun because no available rocket has enough power to cancel out the speed of Earth's rotation around the sun's equator, some 48 miles per second.

Instead, the 850-pound probe will be fired in to Jupiter by a unigue $87 million three-stage booster so the giant planet's gravity can fling it down, out of the equatorial plane of the solar system and back toward the south pole of the sun.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Amer Capital & Res (2nd Q 8-31)	
$135,727,000	$120,306,000
$3,266,000 (.17)	$1,913,000 (.14)
Audiovox Corp (3rd Q 8-31)	
$74,089,000	$73,909,000
d-$895,000	$339,000 (.04)

d-Deficit.

Cape Cod Bank (3rd Q 9-30)
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d-$809,000 $2,346,000 (1.00)
d-Deficit.

Chase Corp (4th Q 8-31)
$6,163,000 $5,708,000
  $286,000 (.07) $232,000 (.05)

Consolidated Talcorp (Yr 6-30)
$114,700,000 a-$106,000,000
d-$5,600,000 $762,000 (.13)
a-Represents results for Vector No. 1 Acquisition Corp., which acquired
Consolidated Talcorp in a reverse takeover on June 30, 1989.
d-Deficit, after a $1,200,000 provision for loss
on investments representing a writedown of
its investment in oil and gas properties and
in sharers of Carpita Corp.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

ECO Corp (3rd Q 8-31)
$1,144,000 a-$141,000
  $244,000 (.06) d-$74,000
a-Restated to reflect a retroactive write-off
of research and development costs, announced in December 1989.
d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Herman Miller (1st Q 9-1)
$232,239,000 $205,488,000
 $10,767,000 (.42) $8,695,000 (.34)

Hovnanian Enterprises (2nd Q 8-31)
$57,072,000 $66,931,000
   $236,000 (.01) $3,407,000 (.16)

Premier Bancorp (3rd Q 9-30)
....
$2,553,000 (.10) $374,000 (.02)

Satellite Info Syst (Yr 6-30)
$2,495,000 $4,405,000
d-$722,000 $238,000 (.09)
d-Deficit.

West Mass Bankshares (3rd Q 9-30)
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$224,000 (.18) $204,000 (.16)

Wordstar Intl (4th Q 8-31)
$9,932,000 $11,317,000
d-$457,000 d-$793,000
d-Deficit.

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LONDON (OCT. 5) UPI - Britain stunned the world financial community Friday by saying it will move its pound sterling into the European Community's Exchange Rate Mechanism as of Monday and drop its prime lending rate 1 percent.

It was seen as a significant step towards the creation of a single European currency and of a European central banking system.

Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major, noting that the British economy had slowed, said the time had come for the pound to join the ERM, a currency grid locking the relative values of European currencies in narrow ranges.

''We have decided that the U.K. should now join the Exchange Rate Mechanism of the European Monetary System,'' Major said.

''We have proposed therefore, to our European Community partners that as part of our common procedure we should join the ERM on Monday morning,'' he said at 4 p.m. London time, just before financial markets closed.

Britain will peg its currency to the German mark at a central exchange rate of 2.95 marks to the pound, Major said. Significantly, the move came just two days after Germany became one political and economic unit.

The Bank of England's minimum lending rate will be lowered to 14 percent from 15 percent, he said.

The London Stock Exchange staged a late rally on the announcements, sending the Financial Times 100 share index 60 points higher to 2110.
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HOUSTON (OCT. 5) UPI - Continental Airlines' insurance company agreed to an out-of-court settlement in a lawsuit filed by relatives of a man killed in a 1987 flight from Denver that crashed, an airline spokesman said Friday.

Twenty-eight people were killed and 54 injured when the Continental DC-9 bound for Boise, Idaho, crashed in a snowstorm moments after taking off from

Denver's Stapleton International Airport on Nov. 15, 1987.

Although he would not discuss the settlement amount, Continental spokesman Art Kent said the settlement was negotiated and would be paid by the airline's insurance company, United States Aviation Insurance Group of New York.

Attorney Michael Sydow said Thursday his client, Mary K. Cook of Boise, and her daughter, Kay Gosse, of Seattle, will receive $4.5 million. Mary's husband Richard Cook, died in the crash.

The case against the Houston-based airline had been slated for trial last Monday, but it was settled a few hours before it reached the courtroom.

Sydow also represented relatives in other lawsuits on the crash. He claims Continental failed to hire properly trained and experienced pilots.

The National Transportation Safety Board ruled the crash was caused by a combination of weather factors and pilot errors.

Sydow identified his other clients involved with previous settlements with the insurance company as Helen Hidoshima of Denver, who will receive $2.5 million for the death of her husband, Mako Hideshima; Bryon Owens of Nyssa, Wash., $750,000 for the death of his wife Terry; and David Daniel of Nampta, Idaho, $2.2 million for the loss of his wife, Tamara.

Sydow has two remaining cases filed on behalf of families of crash victims pending against Continental.

The NTSB noted First Officer Lee Bruecher, 26, who was at the controls, had little flight time on DC-9s. Bruecher, of Houston, was killed in the crash.

Investigators also found 27 minutes passed between the time the DC-9 was de-iced and the time it took off. Continental's operations manual reportedly requires pilots to check for possible icing on the wings if there is a delay of 20 minutes or more.

''Continental's Number-one prority has always been and will always be safety. Our standards meet and in many ways exceed the industry and government criteria,'' Continental spokesman Ned Walker said.

United States Aviation already has paid more than $20 million to settle 36 other crash-related cases, most of which were filed in Colorado federal court, attorneys said.

Continental has admitted partial responsibility for the crash but said it also believed the Federal Aviation Administration was to blame because of the takeoff delay.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - President Bush walked into the Oval Office before dawn this morning and got down to the job of trying to salvage a budget. The House handed leaders of both parties a stunning defeat yesterday by rejecting the compromise they had crafted after four months of talks. That leaves the nation with a deadline of midnight tonight, after which 105-BILLION dollars worth of automatic spending cuts are to begin. They threaten to send federal workers home on furlough, disrupting public services nation-wide.

Civilian unemployment is up to its highest level in two years. The Labor Department reports that 101-thousand more workers had NO job to go to last month. That pushes overall unemployment to five-point-seven perent of the work force, up one-tenth of one percent from August. The figures are in line with what economists had expected.

Troops loyal to Philippine President Corazon Aquino are moving against rebel soldiers holding positions on the island of Mindanao, south of Manila. Government warplanes forced the rebels out of one occupied garrison and are prepared to recapture another. And the army colonel who just yesterday proclaimed Mindanao an independent federal state now says he's willing to negotiate.

Iraq allowed four Germans to leave the country today. The official Iraqi news agency says President Saddam Hussein ordered the release. The release came after talks in Baghdad between a former high-ranking East German official and the Iraqi government. About 300 other Germans remain in Iraq.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door unchanged.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 66-69.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - Weather forecasters are tracking two hurricanes this morning... one far from harming people but the other spreading rough weather over populated areas. The National Hurricane Center says Hurricane Josephine is swirling over the open Atlantic, far from ships or land. But Hurricane Klaus now packs maximum sustained winds of 80 miles an hour. Hurricane

warnings continue for the northern Leeward Islands... and tropical storm warnings are still in effect for Guadeloupe and the neighboring French islands.

Newly confirmed Supreme Court nominee David Souter says he is a ''moderate conservative'' in judicial philosophy. Souter discussed his views and the aftermath of his nomination to the high court in an extensive interview published today in Concord, New Hampshire. A private man, Souter said he was annoyed by some of the intense media scrutiny that aimed at him after his nomination.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - International spot crude oil prices as provided by Telerate Systems Inc. at midday Friday:

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	32.42-32.52	31.90-32.00
North Sea Brent	38.15-38.20	37.50-37.60
West Texas Intermed	37.35-37.40	36.90-36.95

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BEIRUT, LEBANON (OCT. 5) UPI - Defense Minister Albert Mansour ruled out a military thrust into Gen. Michel Aoun's turf to end his 2-year-old mutiny, saying a blockade imposed against the rebel leader will force him to surrender soon.

''We will bring Aoun down without firing a single bullet. I am 90 percent sure that the blockade will force him surrender soon,'' Mansour told United Press International at his temporary office in the seaside Carlton Hotel in Moslem west Beirut.

The pro-Syrian Government of President Elias Hrawi blocked all passageways last week around a 100-square-mile region commanded by Aoun, barring entry of foodstuffs, flour, gasoline and other essential materials.

Aoun has refused to recognize Hrawi's leadership and vacate the Presidential Palace in Baabda, east of Beirut.

''These measures will continue and we will increase the pressure until Aoun's fall,'' Mansour said. ''Our strong wish is to avoid using force. We will not use it and we will not give Aoun a chance to use it since we believe that these measures will bear fruits.''

Mansour described the government blockade as ''a humanitarian move'' that might spare the country another round of violence.

''Our choice has been made. We want to move Lebanon from a state of war and put it on the path of peace,'' he said.

Mansour said Hrawi's government never wanted a military confrontation with Aoun, who controls a mainly Christian 15,000-strong army.

''But it is our duty and responsibility to end Aoun's mutiny in order to reunite the war-torn country and restore peace,'' he said.

He added that if the economic and political siege imposed on Aoun's region failed to bring him down, the government was left with the last option, that to launch a military operation to oust him.

Mansour lashed out at the 55-year-old general accusing him of ''adopting a suicidal, stupid and destructive policy.'' He said Aoun no longer has a political program since he dropped his idea to liberate the country from the Syrians.

Since January, Aoun has engaged his army in a futile war to disband the 10,000-strong Christian Lebanese Forces militia of Samir Geagea after failing to force Syria pull its 35,000 troops in a ''war of liberation'' last year.

Two rounds of violence killed more than 2,500 people and forced 200,000 residents of the 310-sq-mile Christian enclave to flee the country or seek refuge in safer Lebanese areas.

Mansour also accused the rebel general of ''inciting a few people and soldiers'' against Hrawi's legitimate authority by staging anti-siege demonstrations. Twenty-five demonstrators were killed and 82 others were wounded Monday when gunmen opened fire on the protestors in east Beirut.

He said Aoun's fall will help implement an internationally-backed peace treaty that was worked out in the Saudi resort town of Taif last October by the Lebanese Parliament to end the country's 15-year-old civil war.

Aoun has rebuffed the agreement, that gave the Moslems a larger share in powers, ending more than 40 years of Maronite Christian dominance. He has argued that it failed to ensure a speedy and complete withdrawal of Syria's troops.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - World oil prices were up in early trading Friday as markets once again focused on the possibility of war in the Middle East.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery was up 52 cents at midday over Thursday's close to $37.50 a barrel after opening at $37.70 a barrel.

A United Nations speech by Iraqi Ambassador Abdul Amir al-Ambari scheduled for Thursday night was postponed until late Friday. Oil traders were looking to the speech as Iraq's response to President Bush's conciliatory remarks made at the U.N. earlier this week.

But, the London Times was reported as saying the speech was not conciliatory and only listed Iraqi complaints.

''His delaying of the speech was perceived by the market as bullish on prices '' said Tom Blakeslee of the Pegasus Econometrics Group in Hoboken, N.J. He said the market may ''be grasping for straws.''

Blakeslee said, ''The market is cautious ... but the probability of war is up again.''

Last Thursday, WTI traded at a 10-year high of $40.10 a barrel. Blakeslee looked for the market to again test this high on the technical axiom ''that we usually have 'double tops' - we're looking for that.''

Based on past trading patterns, this outlook is strengthened by the fact that crude prices fell twice this week, on Tuesday and Thursday. Before again testing a high, ''you usually have a double leg down,'' the trader said.

On the Merc, unleaded gasoline for November delivery had risen 0.94 cent to 91.80 cents a gallon, while November home heating oil had gained 2.28 cents by midday to $1.022 a gallon.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was up 65 cents over Thursday to $38.15 a barrel at midday.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - had edged up 20 cents to $32.10 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt-delivery WTI was up 45 cents to $37.35 a barrel.

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NEW DELHI, India (OCT. 5) UPI - Prison guards at the maximum-security Tihar Central Jail shot dead at least nine inmates and injured 200 others Friday after prisoners revolted and attempted to escape, jail officials said.

H.P. Kumar, the inspector-general of Tihar Central Jail told reporters that trouble erupted first at the main kitchen of the facility, and over the next six hours about 1,500 inmates rampaged through the jail, setting fires and attacking jail officials.

Inmates wrapped cylinders of cooking gas in blankets and set them ablaze, blasting holes in barracks walls and iron gates, and causing explosions inside the prison, said the official.

He said inmates attempted to escape from the prison.

The number of inmates revolting against jail officials increased as they broke barracks walls and moved toward the outer gate.

The official said prisoners poured fuel on several jail officials in an attempt to set them ablaze. At least 20 police officials were injured.

Guards at first tried to hold off the inmates and fired tear gas shells, but finding they were losing control, opened fire about noon.

Another official said at lease nine prisoners were killed and more than 200 others were injured in the incident. The exact number of casualties among the inmates was not immediately known, but the official said several prisoners were in critical condition.

The revolt in the maximum security prison erupted after the death of an inmate Thursday night.

The Tihar Central Jail, a massive complex in the western part of New Delhi, was where former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's assassins were held and later hanged. The prime minister was assassinated in 1984.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 5) UPI - The government lifted a controversial nightly curfew Friday in the nation's largest black township of Soweto that was imposed 10 days ago to restore peace and quell a wave of factional violence, police said.

The curfew, part of a security clampdown intended to quash the fighting, came into effect in the township of 2 million and three other hard-hit townships around Johannesburg on Sept. 25.

The African National Congress, a party to the more than six weeks of conflict that killed up to 800 people, had strongly criticized the measures. ANC leader Nelson Mandela said the curfew was ''a license to kill our people.''

Law enforcement officials, however, said Operation Iron Fist had effectively brought the killing to an end.

Mandela welcomed the lifting of the curfew as ''a victory for the people'' and said the government had ''backed down after pressure from the people.''

But police spokesman Capt. Craig Kotze said Minister of Law and Order Adriaan Vlok had decided to lift the 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. curfew ''after incidents of unrest and also crime in Soweto dropped dramatically ... this measure took only 10 days to bring back order and the minister feels it's now time to lift it.''

Vlok had announced in a statement early Friday the curfew had been lifted in three of Soweto's four districts, but Kotze later corrected the statement and said, ''A curfew no longer exists anywhere in Soweto.''

Kotze said the curfew remained in effect in the three other townships - Thokoza, Vosloorus, and Katlehong - as ''there is still potential for violence there.''

He added the other Iron Fist measures, including heavily armed police and army patrols, roadblocks, and barbed-wire barricades at flashpoint areas remained in effect in all the townships.

Mandela accused the government of overreacting in imposing Iron Fist and said the measures did not address the root causes of the conflict.

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PAINESVILLE, OH (OCT. 5) UPI - The 19-year-old son of religious cult leader Jeffrey Don Lundgren was sentenced Friday to life in prison for his part in the killing of a family belonging to the cult.

Damon Lundgren, 18 when the five-member Dennis Avery family was shot to death by Jeffrey Lundgren in April 1989, had sought a concurrent sentence for his conviction of four counts each of aggravated murder and kidnapping.

A concurrent sentence would have made him eligible for parole in 20 years.

Lake County Common Pleas Judge Paul Mitrovich, however, sentenced him to consecutive terms of life in prison with no parole for 20 years for each of the aggravated murder charges and 10 to 25 years in prison for each of the kidnapping charges.

Prosecutors said Damon Lundgren will not be eligible for parole for 105 years.

Jeffrey Lundgren was sentenced earlier to death for five charges of aggravated murder.

Alice Lundgren, Jeffrey's wife and Damon's mother, was convicted of 15 lesser charges and sentenced to five life prison sentences.

Damon Lundgren testified how he was abused by his father and how he was always forced to follow his father's orders. He said he was in the Kirtland barn the night of the killings but did not help.

The jury found him guilty last month but recommended life in prison with parole after 20 years, thus preventing the judge from issuing the death sentence.

Damon Lundgren did not speak during Friday's hearing.

Judge Mitrovich said age is not an excuse and that although Damon apologized for his father's actions, he never apologized for his own actions.

''Jeffrey Lundgren could not have done anything without the help of you and the other followers,'' the judge said.

The bodies of the Avery family were uncovered in the barn Jan. 3-4 after authorities received a call from a tipster who once belonged to the cult. Thirteen cult members were indicted Jan. 5 and arrests were made near San Diego, Independence, Mo., and Bay City, Mich.

Jeffrey Lundgren, a one-time lay minister in the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, led the followers away from the church. After killing the Avery family in April 1985, the group moved to near Davis, W.Va., and then to Chilhowee, Mo., before breaking up in December.

The three Lundgrens were convicted in the only three trials completed. Ronald Luff is now on trial facing aggravated murder charges and Daniel Kraft is yet to go on trial on the same charges.

Seven members of the former cult have pleaded guilty to lesser charges and murder charges against one person were dropped.

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BUENOS AIRES (OCT. 5) UPI - Two consortia of European phone companies, backed by U.S. banks, will take over Argentina's telephone system Entel on Oct. 8, President Carlos Menem said Friday.

One consortium is led by Telefonica of Spain and Citicorp; the second is led by Stet of Italy, France Cables and Radio and Morgan Guarantee Trust.

Between them, they are pledged to pay a down payment of $214 million. They will also pay another $381 million over three years, and $5 billion in Argentine debt paper, which is now selling on the secondary market for about 13 cents on the dollar.

According to financial sources involved in the sale, the consortia must make the down payment and sign documents for the transfer on Oct. 8.

The groups will be given several more weeks to provide the debt paper, the sources told United Press International.

A third consortium, led by Bell Atlantic and Manufacturers Hanover Trust, won a bid to run the northern half of the telephone company last June, but they failed to ratify the pledge Thursday with a verbal guarantee that the government required by 6 p.m. local time that day.

Within hours of the deadline, President Menem signed documents allowing the Franco-Italian group to take the place of Bell Atlantic and Manufacturers Hanover, saying ''the deadlines have to be met.''

Menem said, ''We are going to work today, tomorrow, and even Sunday, so that Monday we will hand it (the telephone company) over definitively.''

He also pointed out that the transfer will take place Monday on what would have been the 95th birthday of the late President Peron, who led Argentina in nationalizing the phone company and later the railroads and other large companies.

Menem has argued that the Peronist Party must change with the times and now lead the privatization of money-losing state companies.

A last-minute dispute between the proposed operators and Economy Minister Erman Gonzalez almost disrupted the deal.

Gonzalez angered the groups Thursday when he opposed a 42 percent hike in telephone rates that had been assured the new operators as a condition for their taking over Entel, but later that night the Public Works Ministry announced the hike would go into effect as planned.

Entel is so badly strapped for cash that on Thursday it needed a $13 million loan from the Municipal Bank of Buenos Aires to meet its payroll.

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SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (OCT. 5) UPI - Boris Becker swept into the semifinals of the $1 million Australian Indoor Championships Friday with a 6-4, 6-4 victory

over Richey Reneberg.

Becker lost his first service game to the Texan, then the No. 2 seed regrouped to win in 67 minutes.

In Saturday's semifinal, Becker will play Australian teenager Todd Woodbridge, a 7-6 (7-2), 2-6, 6-1 quarterfinal winner over Grant Connell of Canada.

''I didn't see Woodbridge's game today,'' the 22-year-old German said. ''I have won and I'll just relax now and then we'll talk about the match in the morning. I have difficulty in playing someone I do not know.''

In the other semifinal, Wimbledon champion Stefan Edberg will play Ivan Lendl.

Edberg, the top seed, dropped No. 9 David Wheaton of Excelsior, Minn., 6-2, 7-6 (7-2), and No. 3 Ivan Lendl beat Sweden's Peter Lundgren 6-2, 7-6 (7-3).

''It will be tough for both of us,'' Edberg said. ''I will have to serve very well to beat him. We both like to play on this (Plexipave) surface and it suits both our games.''

Lendl said he is using this tournament to gauge his game against Edberg's and Becker's.

''I'm looking forward to it because I need to play Stefan and Boris as much as I can to keep up with them so I am ready for the Grand Slam championships,'' he said. ''If we both play our best it is going to be a tremendous match.''

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NEWARK, N.J. (OCT. 5) UPI - First Fidelity Bank has accused a former senior executive of engineering an embezzlement scheme that bilked the company of at least $6.2 million, a published report said Friday.

The bank alleged that the scheme to funnel bank funds to two shell companies the executive set up went undiscovered for 11 years, The Newark Star-Ledger reported.

Robert Venezia was a senior vice president of First Fidelity's Information Systems and Technology Division until he was fired Aug. 31 after the alleged embezzlement was discovered.

First Fidelity, of Newark, filed suit against Venezia, his wife Lois, and two shell companies, Universal Business Supplies and American Leasing Co. in Superior Court in Somerset County, N.J. on Sept. 11.

The newspaper cited sources who said at least two other First Fidelity

employees are suspected of having played a role in the embezzlement scheme.

First Fidelity said in court papers the scheme was launched in 1979, when Venezia approved payments of $85,000 to UBS. In 1982, ALC received $46,000.

The complaint said the payments continued until they totaled $4.9 million to UBS and $1.37 million to ALC. The payments were supposed to cover office supplies and equipment purchased or leased by the bank. No office supplies or equipment were ever delivered by either firm, the bank said, charging that the firms served as fronts for Venezia and his wife.

''Their sole purpose seems to have been to facilitate the bilking of First Fidelity by the Venenzias,'' the bank said in court papers unsealed Thursday.

The bank last week obtained a court order authorizing it to seize up to $6.2 million of Venezia's assets in Somerset, Middlesex and Ocean counties.

Somerset County sheriff's deputies executed the order by putting a lien on Venezia's $1.85 million home in Warren and seizing his 1989 Jaguar and 1985 BMW. The bank also is seeking to seize the couple's other assets, including bank accounts and real estate.

When asked to comment, a spokesman for First Fidelity would say only, ''We have no investigations here which will have any negative effect on the bank's current or future earnings.''

Citing sources, the newspaper said the FBI is investigating the case. The FBI declined to comment, but a spokeswoman noted that federal law requires all banks insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. to report to the FBI any wrongdoing uncovered through internal bank investigations.

No criminal charges have been filed.

In applying for the court order, the bank said the Venezias also have property in New York and Florida. The bank also said it did not believe the couple's New Jersey assets would be enough to cover the $6.2 million it said was bilked.

The bank's holding company, First Fidelity Bancorporation, has some 500 banking offices in New Jersey, including four First Fidelity Banks and Morris Savings Bank. It also has offices in eastern Pennsylvania.

As of June 30, the company listed assets of $29.8 billion.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 5) UPI - A 9 1/2-inch largemouth bass that fell a few inches shy of the size Indiana law says you can keep has netted nothing but

trouble for the great-grandmother who caught it.

Beatrice B. Thomas, 64, already has made two trips to court and now has a criminal record, a police mug shot and at least $130 to pay in fines and costs.

''I think it's absurd a person would have to go through all this for having an itty-bitty fish,'' Thomas said.

Thomas said she has fished for 20 years and it is her first brush with the law in her life.

''Even the judge appeared to be stunned by this,'' she said.

The trouble began June 23 when a conservation officer caught Thomas with the undersize fish at Eagle Creek Park. She appeared on a summons at Marion Municipal Court July 27 but was told no one had a record of her case.

She then complied with another summons to appear Sept. 26 and told officials she just wanted to clear up the case.

''All these people had been there before and after me for drunken driving, disorderly conduct, bad checks, you name it,'' she said. ''I told the judge, 'I'm not denying I had the fish. I just want to pay the fine.'''

But Court Commissioner Steven Jacobs said it was illegal for him to accept a guilty plea because a deputy prosecutor was not in court. He then scheduled her for yet another hearing on Oct. 17, advised her of her legal rights and recommended she hire a lawyer.

''I remember it real well,'' Jacobs said. ''She looked at me and said, 'For catching a fish?'''

After that hearing, Thomas was booked - photographed, fingerprinted, the works.

The Indiana Department of Natural Resources takes about 50 people to court in Marion County every year for fishing and wildlife laws violations, said Mick Jensen, supervisor of cases in Municipal Court for the prosecutor.

Jensen said he was not sure he wanted to comment on whether it was reasonable to give a great-grandmother a criminal record for keeping a too-small fish.

''The legislature has decided its a misdemeanor,'' he said. ''We treat all misdemeanors the same. I understand the practicalities of her situation. It's not our position to pick and choose what crimes to prosecute.

''I personally feel sorry for her,'' Jensen added. ''It seems like a lot to do for a fish that's 6 inches too small.''

All for a fish that was 4 1/2 inches shy of the legal limit.

''I had nothing to measure it with,'' she said. ''I never gave it a second thought. I always keep the first fish. It's my luck piece.''

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COLLEGE STATION, TX (OCT. 5) UPI - While marriages may last only until death do you part, some Aggie loyalties run even deeper - six feet under.

The chairman of the Texas A&M Board of Regents wants the school to set aside 100 acres surrounding a tiny campus graveyard for an ''Aggie Field of Honor.''

The college has a little-known cemetery on its west campus. Only 10 people have been buried in the .04-acre graveyard since former Texas A&M President L.L. Foster was laid to rest there in 1901.

Regent Chairman William McKenzie proposed Thursday an expansion of the graveyard. McKenzie, 67, said he would be willing to be buried there.

The graveyard expansion ''would be enthusiastically endorsed by our former students,'' McKenzie predicted. Other board members were more skeptical.

The board decided against setting aside any more land until a study is done on how many former students, faculty, employees and their relatives would consider being buried in an Aggie cemetery.

''I don't want to be buried anywhere,'' Regent Raul Fernandez quipped.

Some Texas A&M officials said they envision an Aggie cemetery similar to ones now operated by the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and the Air Force and Naval academies.

The initial idea for the Aggie cemetery came from Foster, who appointed a committee in 1900 to look into it. The committee never made its report.

Foster died in 1901 after three years as president and he was buried in a sheep pasture on the main campus.

School officials later designated that site for a dining hall and Foster's grave was moved in 1939 to the current cemetery. The last burial at the cemetery was an infant laid to rest in 1942. The other nine bodies buried there are faculty members, school employees or their relatives.

McKenzie, a 1944 A&M graduate, drew muffled laughter when he told other board members that the cemetery could be used as ''a tool to bring people back to campus.''

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BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (OCT. 5) UPI - A second federal government effort to head off a conflict between Yugoslavia's two main ethnic groups opened Friday amid defiant demands by Serbian extremists supporting autonomy from the republic.

Yugoslav Deputy Prime Minister Alexander Mitrovic, accompanied by a delegation of senior federal police officials, held talks on the crisis with Croatian Interior Minister Josip Boljkovac in the republic's capital of Zagreb, 250 miles west of Belgrade, state-run radio reported.

Mitrovic, a close associate of moderate Yugoslav Prime Minister Ante Markovic, later travelled to the nearby Serbian-dominated town of Petrinja for discussions with municipal officials, the radio said.

There was no immediate word on the outcome of the talks held by Mitrovic, who was directed by Markovic to assess Serbian-Croatian tensions and help evolve steps to resolve the crisis. A similar effort was launched Thursday by Vasil Tupurkovski, the Macedonian member of Yugoslavia's eight-man collective federal presidency.

Petrinja was the first of five Serbian-dominated towns in which three days of clashes began Sept. 28 between Serbs and Croatian police, igniting long-simmering frictions between the republic and neighboring Serbia that have been fanned by politicians seeking to fill a power vacuum created by the demise of communist rule in Yugoslavia.

Many experts fear frictions between the 4.6 million Roman Catholic Croats, most of whom live in Croatia, and the 8.5 million majority Serbs, the bulk of whom reside in Serbia, could lead to civil war.

The radio quoted authorities in Petrinja as saying that still in custody were a police officer, a municipal official and an executive of a food-processing plant who were among dozens of people arrested in the disturbances, during which Serbs broke into police stations and stole hundreds of weapons.

The Croatian government of President Franjo Tudjman had said earlier in the week that it was freeing all Serbs taken into custody and granting an amnesty to those who surrendered stolen weapons. It withdrew from Serbian towns units of a feared paramilitary police force, whose presense had enflammed the situation

Meanwhile, a Serbian militant organization said it would refuse to dismantle road and rail barricades manned by armed vigilantes around the Serbian-dominated town of Knin, 310 miles southwest of Belgrade, unless

Tudjman released all Serbian ''hostages'' under arrest.

The Serbian National Resistance Committee said in a statement it also wanted the government to return police reservist weapons, the transfer of which from armories in Serbian-dominated towns sparked the clashes with Croatian police.

Other demands included the creation of an autonomous police force for Knin, the hub of the largest Serbian enclave in Croatia, and the inclusion of Serbian Vice President Miroslav Djordjevic in Tupurkovski's peace-making effort.

The committee is allied with the Serbian National Council, which represents Croatia's Serbs and on Monday declared it was assuming political control of their enclaves because of alleged ''state terror.''

Croatia's Serbs claim discrimination under Tudjman's Croatian Democratic Union a fiercely nationalist party that ousted communists in April in the republic's first multi-party assembly elections since the end of World War II in 1945.

Tudjman charges that Serbs are being instigated by the communist regime in Serbia as part of a plot to topple his government and dominate Yugoslavia.

Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic has been fanning Serbian nationalist sentiments in a bid to retain power in Dec. 9 multi-party assembly polls, the first scheduled for the republic since 1945.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	397.00	up 6.75
Morning fixing	393.00	off 4.00
Afternoon fixing	395.60	off 1.40
Close	394.00	off 3.00
Paris	397.34	off 0.79
Zurich	393.50	off 3.50
Hong Kong	393.25	up 4.05
New York		
Comex spot gold midday	394.60	up 2.30
Handy and Harman	395.60	off 0.15

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 396.92 off 0.15 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 416.77 off 0.15 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot midday silver 4.668 unchanged

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.67 per fine ounce off 0.02

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.70 up 0.005 and a price for fabricated silver products of 5.029 up 0.005

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 454.00 up 8.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 554.00 up 8.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 101.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 116.00 up 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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LONDON (OCT. 5) UPI - A British bookmaker offered $475,000 Friday for conclusive proof that the Loch Ness monster truly lurks in the deep waters of a Scottish Highlands lake.

Four teams are competing for the prize, including the Natural History Museum, according to William Hill betting house, which posted the $475,000 in prize money.

Oceanscan, an Aberdeen firm specializing in sonar equipment, Lay and Partners Ltd., and Screaming Lord Sutch, a politician on the fringes of society and power, also are aboard boats on the 23-mile-long Loch Ness to look for the beast nicknamed Nessie.

They have until Sunday to come up with proof-positive that they have seen one of the world's most mysterious monsters, who is said to make her home among the underwater caves of the lake, which has depths of up to 720 feet.

A clear photograph is the evidence William Hill is seeking.

''It is probably almost impossible to win,'' said Violet Nelson, who has seen many monster hunters pass through the Drumnadrochic Hotel, where she works.

Nonetheless, William Hill's offer has rekindled enthusiasm in the search, she said.

''It has been very, very busy,'' Nelson said. ''Mostly TV people, newspaper

people and photograhers who are actually going along to record the event.''

Every year or so someone claims to have seen Nessie. Occasionally, a fuzzy photograph is offered as evidence.

The most recent report of a sighting came last summer. ''A woman came into hotel and said she saw it, but after we talked to her for a while she wasn't too sure. But then, who would be, mind you.''

A high-tech hunt for Nessie conducted in October 1987 yielded no answers.

In the intensive Anglo-American project, Operation Deepscan, 25 cruisers made sonar sweeps of the lake at a cost of $1.9 million.

Adrian Shine, who lead the investigation, said there were some ''strong sonar contacts'' in Loch Ness but none in the shape of the classic, dinosaur-like Nessie.

The creature has variously been described and depicted in photographs as humpbacked, serpent-like or flippered.

The legend of the monster goes back to the 6th century when St. Columba was preaching Christianity. A chronicler of the time wrote ''the monster, perceiving the surface of the water disturbed ... suddenly comes up and moving toward the man, rushed up with a great roar and open mouth.''

Nessie lures about 500,000 tourists a year to the Scottish Highlands, where they spend up to $80 million in the hope of catching a glimpse of her.

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OMAHA (OCT. 5) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 25; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 1,500; butchers closed 1.00 lower after some opening sales steady, No 1-3 220-260 lb closed 58.50-59.00, opened 59.50-60.00, No 1-2 220-230 lb late 58.00-58.50, No 1-3 260-280 lb 58.00-58.50, instances 59.00 early; sows 20 percent, under 500 lb 1.00-2.00 higher, over 500 lb 4.00-5.00 higher, No 1-3 350-500 lb 50.00- 52.00, some 470-500 lb to 54.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 55.00-57.00.

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OTAY MESA, CA (OCT. 5) UPI - Nearly four tons of cocaine worth more than $262 million and found ''stacked to the gills'' inside a propane tanker truck

returning from Mexico was the largest-ever cocaine seizure along the U.S.-Mexico border, officials said Friday.

U.S. Customs and Drug Enforcement Administration agents spent Thursday night unloading the drugs after waiting a day to bleed propane from the tanker truck which was held at the Otay Mesa border crossing 10 miles east of San Diego when it weighed in at about 7,400 pounds more than it should have, Customs spokeswoman Bobbie Cassidy said.

A total of about 7,700 pounds of cocaine, wrapped in roughly 2-pound plastic packets, were pulled out of the cylindrical tank.

''It was stacked to the gills,'' Cassidy said.

The truck, labeled Hidro Gas and owned by a company in Juarez, Mexico, was stopped Wednesday, but the driver was allowed to leave before agents and drug-sniffing dogs determined why the truck was overweight. Cassidy said Friday the driver had not been arrested, but Customs agents knew who he was. His name was not released.

Federal drug agents estimated his illegal cargo's wholesale value at $87.5 million and its street value at $262.5 million.

Cassidy said Customs agents determined the 3.85-ton shipment was the largest ever seized along the U.S.-Mexico border. The previous record was a 1988 bust in Hidalgo, Texas, when agents uncovered 2,735 pounds of cocaine, she said.

The previous biggest seizure along the California-Mexico border was just under 1 ton in 1988.

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TORONTO (OCT. 5) UPI - General Motors of Canada Ltd. tabled Friday an offer that meets the pattern settlement reached in earlier talks with the Canadian Auto Workers union, and could pave the way for an early deal.

The union has set midnight Oct. 10 as its deadline for a new three- year deal with GM Canada.

CAW President Bob White said, ''GM Canada and the CAW are not going to have a major fight about whether or not we are going to reach the pattern settlement on the basic economics.''

GM Canada's top negotiator Rick Curd said the offer essentially parallels the Ford Motor Co. of Canada Ltd.-CAW settlement and there is no reason a settlement shouldn't be reached before the union's strike deadline.

''It's a substantial economic offer that provides excellent wages and benefits for our employees as well as a worker security program,'' Curd said.

The CAW reached the pattern settlement with Ford Canada in late September after a nine-day walkout. Ford Canada's nearly 13,000 workers accepted a deal that will give them raises of 3 percent in the first year and 2 percent in each of the second and third years, plus improved cost-of-living allowances.

Curd said the talks now would focus on implementing aspects of the pattern, specifically the worker security program, complicated by the fact that GM Canada has a work force almost triple the size of Ford Canada.

GM Canada employs 36,500 CAW workers at 12 assembly, fabrication, trim and engine plants and a parts warehouse in Ontario and Quebec.

White said although basic economics were set, a lot of discussion was needed on the worker security program and mountains of work required on local issues including seniority, transfer, and health and safety concerns.

White also said the contracting out of work at the company's Windsor, Ontario trim plant, which could result in 700 jobs being lost, remained a major issue.

''We have to find a solution to (outsourcing at the trim plant) or that problem alone could take these negotiations into the ditch,'' White said.

White said the gradual loss of work at the plant increases the number of people facing layoffs, drives up costs and could result in the plant eventually being closed. There are 2,500 workers at the trim plant.

The worker security program in the Ford Canada settlement requires the company to give one year's notice on any plant closing, and six months notice on any job lost due to technological change or contracting work out.

Ford Canada also agreed to set up an $85 million fund to deal with related job losses, with provisions for early retirement, salary supplements for up to 36 months and severance pay ranging from $21,250 to $55,250.

Also as part of the Ford Canada settlement, workers will receive an annual $425 vacation bonus and more time off the job, with three additional holidays a year.

The CAW also represents 11,300 workers at Chrysler Corp.'s Canadian subsidiary.

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BEIJING (OCT. 5) UPI - China enjoyed another bountiful haul of gold medals Friday on the next to last day of the Asian Games.

The Chinese national anthem rang out repeatedly, carrying the message of 15 more successes for the host nation in the 25 events at stake. South Korea captured seven gold medals for the day.

At the 1986 Asian Games in Seoul, China won the final event, the men's 4 x 100-meters track relay, to edge South Korea 94-93 in the gold- medal standings. Don't expect such excitement this time.

Entering Saturday's final day, with 11 gold medals still to be won, China had a massive stockpile of 175, dwarfing nearest rivals South Korea (52) and Japan (38).

China swept 10 of the 13 canoeing and kayak golds Friday, and went on to add the men's singles tennis title, the men's and women's team volleyball and a surprising two diving team golds.

Not that China's diving supremacy has been in question. The surprise sprang from the fact the team event wasn't even on the official schedule. But after the competitors completed preliminaries in the individual 3-meter springboard event, China was declared winner of the men's and women's team titles.

''Team events are listed for the first time in the history of the Asian Games '' the state-run Xinhua news agency reported.

China, which had won the four individual diving golds to date, scored runaway successes in both team competitions, decided on each nation's top-scoring six dives.

South Korea continued its gold-medal monopoly in archery, with the men's team twice improving the world mark of 999 points set by the Soviets last year. The South Korean women managed to equal their own world best of 1,010 points in the semis, but slipped back in the final round to score 1,003, still 24 points ahead of silver medalist Taiwan.

Elsewhere, Dhanraj Pillay scored with five minutes left to give unbeaten Pakistan a 3-2 victory over arch-rival India for its seventh Asian Games men's field hockey title.

Japan used Akiko Kijimuta's 6-3, 6-3 victory over China's Chen Li to win the women's singles tennis final.

''I was nervous at the beginning because I haven't played a southpaw for a long time,'' Kijimuta said.

Kijimuta turned pro in 1984 and reached the third round of the 1988 Australian Open, where she won a set off Martina Navratilova.

In the all-Chinese men's singles final, Pan Bing saved double match in the second set and defeated national champion Zhang Jiuhua 1-6, 7-6 (7-4), 6-1.

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WELLINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - A moderate earthquake shook the southern region of New Zealand's North Island Friday, but there were no reports of major damage or injury, officials said.

The quake, measuring 5.3 on the Richter scale, struck at 11:48 a.m. and lasted about 30 seconds, the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research in Wellington said.

The epicenter was near Cape Palliser, 30 miles southeast of Wellington, and was located about 8 miles below the earth's surface, the department said.

The quake was felt as far north as New Plymouth, 180 miles northwest of Wellington, officials said.

Several shops reported goods falling from shelves in downtown Wellington, but police said there were no reports of major damage or injuries.

The U.S. National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colorado, said it measured the quake at 5.2 on the Richter scale and also said no damage or injuries were reported.

A spokesman at the U.S. center, geophysist John Minsch, called the quake ''moderate,'' although he said it was ''felt strongly'' in Wellington and nearby Lower Hutt.

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SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (OCT. 5) UPI - Political parties voiced protests Friday against alleged surveillance by military security agents over more than 1,300 civilians including ranking politicians, civic leaders and dissidents.

The protests came after an Army deserter alleged that the Defense Security Command, in charge of both criminal investigations and intelligence for the armed forces, was monitoring activities of noted civilians.

Pvt. Yoon Suk-yang, 24, came to the National Council of Churches Building in downtown Seoul late Thursday and made the allegations in a ''declaration of conscience,'' those who were on hand said.

Yoon, who said he had been assigned to a branch office of the Defense Security Command, brought with him materials backing up his allegations.

Targets of the alleged surveillance numbering more than 1,300 included Kim Dae Jung, Kim Young-sam and other ranking politicians, lawyers, church leaders, collegee professors, writers, reporters, labor activists and dissidents, Yoon said.

The main opposition Party for Peace and Democracy led by Kim Dae Jung said in a statement the government must thoroughly investigate the alleged military surveillance over civilians and punish all who are responsible.

''We cannot but be shocked by the detailed facts that the military is still conducting well organized, massive political surveillance over civilians,'' the party said.

A spokesman for the ruling Democratic Liberal Party said ''our party is opposed to political surveillance by the military over civilians. If this is in fact part of such surveillance should be determined first.''

The Defense Ministry said the controversial files were prepared by the Defense Security Command not for political-minded policing of civilians.

''These are personal data the command prepared to protect or isolate the targets from the enemy or impure forces in case of war and other emergencies '' a ministry spokesman said.

''Most of the listed information items are from directories, magazines, newspapers and other published sources.''

The spokesman said the office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Military Prosecution and the Special Inspection Group under the ministry will conduct a joint investigation of the case.

Other military officials said the soldier stole the documented data from an office of the Security Command before desertion.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - Workers whose performance is tracked by computers and other electronic devices suffer more health problems than those simply watched over by human managers, a study showed Friday.

University of Wisconsin-Madison researchers said their nationwide survey of 762 workers in the telephone industry found electronically monitored workers reported substantially more headaches and wrist, arm, shoulder and neck pains than non-monitored workers.

In addition, electronically monitored employees were more likely to be

troubled by depression, tension, extreme anxiety and severe fatigue than workers whose performance was judged mainly by traditional, human means.

Electronic monitoring is used extensively in a wide array of jobs, including air traffic controllers, grocery store cashiers, package deliverers and bank tellers.

Such monitoring usually involves using a computer system, often in conjunction with a video display terminal or VDT, to see if a person performs a task during an assigned time period. For example, a telephone operator may be expected to handle a directory assistance call in 19 seconds. If the employee takes longer than the ideal time to complete the task, the computer makes a note that a supervisor can see when he or she reviews a daily or weekly computer printout of the employee's work record.

Another form of monitoring used in the telephone industry involves managers using electronic equipment to listen in on operators' conversations with customers to make sure they are helpful and courteous.

In their study, Michael Smith and his colleagues found 51 percent of electronically monitored telephone workers, most of whom used VDTs, reported stiff or sore wrists in the past year, compared with 24 percent of non-monitored workers, who also used VDTs. About 64 percent of electronically monitored workers suffered neck pain, compared with 41 percent of non-monitored.

''This outcome clearly demonstrates there are major differences in health distress,'' linked to the methods used to gauge work performance, said Smith, who announced his findings at a news conference sponsored by the Communication Workers of America, which helped fund the study.

Psychological complaints were also greater among electronically monitored workers than among the non-monitored. For example, 81 percent of employees tracked by high-tech equipment said they were depressed, compared to 69 percent of those overseen mainly by human supervisors.

Smith, chairman of the University of Wisconsin's Industrial Engineering Department, acknowledged that complaints stemming from tight monitoring of workers' production are nothing new. But he said the addition of computers and other high-tech monitoring tools appears to have aggravated the problem.

Unlike a human supervisor, a computer can ''watch your every breath, you even have to log out to go to the potty,'' Smith said.

Smith, who will present his study next week to the Human Factors Society's annual meeting in Orlando, Fla., said he believes the work is the first major study to examine the relationship between electronic monitoring and worker well-being.

Morton Bahr, president of the Communications Workers of America, said the findings should send a ''clear message'' to employers: ''Stop using secret monitoring like an electronic whip to oversupervise and infantilize adult workers.''

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#90278u1207 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (OCT. 5) UPI - Polish citizens will face a tough choice between two national heroes who are now political foes in their first general presidential election scheduled for Nov. 25.

Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki announced Thursday night he would enter the presidential race against his long-time colleague, Lech Walesa, in order to carry out the economic and political reforms of his year-old government.

The premier came to the decision reluctantly. It means a direct confrontation with the man he stood with side-by-side for a decade as the Solidarity labor movement fought against - and ultimately defeated - monopoly communist rule in Poland.

''Mazowiecki's candidacy means that we are not going to have a plebiscite: Who is for Walesa and who is against him,'' Ernest Skalski, deputy editor of the independent daily Gazeta Wyborcza, said in an editorial.

''We are waiting not only for the election, but for the choice of the way to solve Polish problems.''

A plebiscite seemed to be exactly what Walesa had in mind.

''I wanted to avoid this struggle for the sake of cooperation,'' Walesa said in reaction to his former aide's decision.

''I wanted the presidential campaign to unite, not to divide Poles. I wanted us to complement each other, to go together. This candidacy complicates the problem.''

In their first real test of democratic elections - the ones that originally put Solidarity in office were only partially free - the choice for Poles will be agonizing.

If they vote their hearts and go for Walesa, they embrace a familiar face, one they can rally around.

But he also represents an unknown factor, and even a possible retreat from democracy. More than once, he has suggested that if he can't make Parliament do what it should, he would rule by decree.

In the less likely event that Poles elect Mazowiecki, the question becomes what happens to Walesa.

More than any other individual, he is responsible for the democratic changes Poland is undergoing. His disappearance from the political scene would be unimaginable to many.

''Mazowiecki is an assurance that what we have achieved so far will not be wasted,'' said Skalski, whose newspaper was recently deprived of its Solidarity logo by the union's national leadership at Walesa's behest.

''Walesa means an unknown, because he is avoiding being concrete and is producing a lot of promises.''

Skalski said the last thing anybody wants to see is the return of long lines, empty shelves and black-market trade, hallmarks of the communist system Poland wants to leave behind.

''These first achievements cost us a lot and it still will cost us to take a risk connected with political change,'' he argued. ''We have a lot to lose.''

A government opinion poll published Friday showed support for the Mazowiecki government slipping.

More than half of those surveyed approved of the government, but another third disapproved. That compares with a 70 percent approval rating in September 1989 after the governments first month in office.

Last year, every second person believed Mazowiecki had the support of a majority of society, while now only just over one-third think so.

Respondents listed the administration's worst failures as the appearance of unemployment in Poland, agricultural policy and the crisis in the countryside, and the failure to call the previous ruling Communist Party members to account for their actions.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - President Bush is doing what he can to put a Humpty-Dumpty budget compromise back together. It shattered into many pieces last night when rejected by the House. All sides must now work against a midnight deadline that will bring the real possibility of severe across-the- board budget cuts.

White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater confirms that President Bush has met with congressional leaders to study all options in the Persian Gulf crisis including any military ones. Bush apparently wants to discuss everything

before Congress adjourns on October 19th for the rest of the year.

The Iraqi News Agency says President Saddam Hussein has ordered four Germans freed. The Germans are free to leave the country. Their release came after a former high-ranking East German official held talks in Baghdad with the Iraqi government. The German Foreign Mininstry gave NO further details.

Reports from Lebanon indicate that Moslem extremists may release three British hostages just before Britain restores diplomatic ties with Syria. What are called ''well-informed sources'' in Syria indicate this could happen by next Monday. London denies any plans for an immediate restoration are in the works.

Detroit police took a 50-year-old man into custody today following a deadly extra-alarm fire last night at an apartment building for senior citizens. Fire officials say the blaze... possibly set by an arsonist... raged through the four-story Majestic Manor, leaving five people dead and about 15 injured.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (OCT. 5) UPI - The space shuttle Atlantis does not appear to have suffered any major damage from a falling 70-pound beam that banged through the ship's cramped engine room Wednesday, NASA managers said Friday.

Officials insisted the space agency is not suffering from any generic quality control problems and said the damage identified so far can be fixed in routine launch processing They said Atlantis still would be on track for liftoff around Nov. 7 on a secret military mission.

''Thus far we have not found anything that I would consider significant damage '' launch director Robert Sieck said at a pre-launch news conference before the shuttle Discovery's planned Saturday flight.

''Everything would appear to be repairable in place. It's still our goal to roll Atlantis to the pad next week.''

Engineers were in the process of hoisting Atlantis into the vertical launch position inside the Vehicle Assembly Building Wednesday when they heard at least three ''thuds'' coming from inside the shuttle's engine room.

When they opened the compartment to check, they were dismayed to find a 9-foot-long, 70-pound beam used to support work platforms that had been mistakenly left inside the engine room.

The bar fell more than five feet and may have come in contact with engine compartment hardware, cables or other structures in 25 places.

Sieck said a main propulsion system vent line would have to be replaced, along

with several damaged electrical cables, and that insulating foam would have to be repaired where it was dented and dinged by the falling beam.

While it was too early to say what impact, if any, the accident might have on Atlantis's Nov. 7 target launch date, Sieck said he thought launch processing would only lose a day or so because of the investigation and repairs.

The accident was the latest in a series of mishaps in recent months at the Kennedy Space Center that have raised questions about quality control and NASA's ability to keep the shuttle program on schedule, above and beyond the hydrogen fuel leaks that have disrupted the launch schedule.

But William Lenoir, NASA's associate administrator for space flight, said Friday he does not believe the space agency has a generic quality control problem.

''I don't see a common thread,'' he said. ''We will obviously have an investigation of this incident,'' he said. ''We will ask that group to find out specifically what happened, how did it happen and how do we prevent it from happening again.''

But he said the number of accidents this year ''exceeds what I would be comfortable with'' and he said NASA management would look into ways quality control can be improved.

''We do need to look at our quality,'' he said. ''You cannot inspect quality into a system, you build it in. That does not mean I think we have a quality problem or that I believe we should stand down.''

The beam was part of an ''aft access kit'' containing more than 50 pieces that is assembled inside the engine compartment to allow engineers to gain access to various engine systems.

The bar that fell was used to support a work platform and despite paperwork indicating it had been removed prior to Atlantis's trip to the Vehicle Assembly Building, it was not.

A quick review of photographs and paperwork convinced NASA managers a similar problem did not exist with Discovery.

Two veteran Lockheed Space Operations Co. employees were directly responsible for making sure all the support equipment was out of Atlantis's engine compartment and it was not immediatelly clear how they missed the bright yellow beam that fell.

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#90278u1223 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 5) UPI - First lady Barbara Bush will fill in for President Bush tonight at a fund-raiser in Kennebunkport, Maine, for Republican Governor John McKernan. The president postponed a two-day New England campaign swing on behalf of McKernan and other G-O-P candidates so he could stay in Washington to promote the deficit-cutting budget deal that the House defeated.

NASA continues working toward the launch of the shuttle Discovery tomorrow morning and anti-nuclear activists are still trying to stop everything. They have a court hearing today on worries over the plutonium aboard the European-built probe that Discovery is to launch toward the sun.

In Moscow, conservative Communist Party stalwart Yegor Ligachev says the Soviet Union faces what he called ''the danger of a social explosion'' as it moves to some sort of market economy. Ligachev told the Soviet news agency Tass that tension in the country is near the breaking point.

The 1990 Nobel Peace Prize winner will be named on October 15th in Oslo, Norway, and veteran observers say leading candidates include Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Czechoslovakian leader Vaclav Havel. The sources say South Africa's Nelson Mandela also is a strong possibility.

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#90278u1238 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 5) UPI - Stock prices surged on the London International Stock Exchange in brisk trading Friday as Britain announced entry to the Exchange Rate Mechanism of the European Monetary System.

Trading was extended beyond closing time and member firms were advised quotations would be taken one hour beyond the normal closing, officials said.

The blue chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 16.6 points Thursday surged 73.5 points to 2,143.9 and climbed 153.7 points for the week.

The narrower top 30 industrial average climbed 43.0 points to 1,644.3 and 108.6 points for the week.

Volume amounted to around 650 million shares, compared with 421 million shares changing hands Thursday.

News of Britain's move to enter the ERM, just minutes before closing, prompted a swing of 90 points on the closely-watched Financial Times Stock 100 share index.

Stocks had plummeted earlier after a plan to cut $500 billion from the U.S. budget over the next five years was rejected by the U.S. House of Representatives.

The Labor Department's report showing U.S. employment increased to 5.7 percent in September, its highest level in two years for the world's most powerful economy, added to the early gloom, analysts said.

But ERM entry is considered a boom to British business.

The Bank of England also announced its prime rate would drop to 14 percent from 15 percent. The lower rates are a necessary component of entry to the ERM which is seen as the first step towards European monetary union.

Among some of the more actively traded issues, Glaxo slipped 20 cents to $13.96, Guiness lost 25 cents to 12.44, Reuters plummeted 45 cents to $12.72 and British Airways lost 18 cents to $2.48.

Elsewhere in Europe, stocks closed broadly lower in thin trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which lost 22.54 points Thursday, fell 30.59 points to 1,391.76.

Traders said stocks fell on the news of the U.S. House rejecting the budget proposal.

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#90278u1253 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 5) UPI - Latvia imposed limits Friday on meat, lumber and other goods to be exported to the rest of the Soviet Union and prohibited individuals from taking dozens of items out of the Baltic republic.

''Latvia has introduced quotas for exports to other Soviet republics, '' said the official Soviet news agency Tass.

The quota system was Latvia's most recent step to free itself from Soviet control and implement the declaration of independence its nationalist-controlled Parliament passed in May.

On Wednesday, the republic's Parliament eliminated the Soviet national holidays Revolution Day and Constitution Day and declared that Easter, Christmas and Latvian Independence Day will be celebrated instead.

Under the new quotas, Latvian enterprises and cooperatives, or semi- private businesses, must observe unspecified limits on a range of products and can ship them to the rest of the country only under license with the republic's government.

Latvia also opened 10 customs checkpoints on its borders with the Russian and Belorussian republics, the independent Interfax news service said. The posts

will control the movement of foodstuffs and other goods out of Latvia, it said.

Wood, furniture, meat, cement, bricks, and mink or fox furs are among the targeted goods, Tass said.

Latvia also forbade its citizens from taking 49 kinds of products from the republic, including refrigerators, television sets, video recorders, building materials, pianos, motorcycles, sewing or washing machines, furniture, carpeting, all imported items and goods for children.

Latvia's independence proclamation May 11 was the last such proclamation passed this year in the three Baltic republics.

The independent Interfax news service said Friday that the three republics' prime ministers began talks in Jurmala, a Baltic Sea resort town in Latvia. It did not provide details of the meeting.

The Baltic republics have asked the Soviet government to hold joint negotiations with them on independence, but Moscow has rejected the demand and pursued separate contacts.

Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov and Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis led delegations Tuesday in ground-breaking talks to pave the way for formal negotiations between Moscow and Vilnius.

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#90278u1259 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (OCT. 5) UPI - Malaysia's Parliament was dissolved Friday to make way for the country's eighth general election Oct. 21, officials said.

Polling in the east Malaysian states of Sabah and Sarawak will take place Oct. 20 and 21 because a majority of the population lives in hard to reach areas, Election Commission chairman Abdul Kadir Talib said.

Nomination day will on Oct. 11, he added. At stakes are 180 parliamentary seats and 351 state seats.

Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad announced Thursday that King Azlan Shah had given his consent to the dissolution of Parliament. The announcement ended months of speculation on when the general election would be held.

Mahathir is seeking a two-thirds majority for a third term in office.

The Prime Minister met heads of his ruling National Front coalition of 11 parties and had advised State Chief Ministers to take necessary steps to have their respective State Assemblies dissolved the same day.

The main coalition partners who have enjoyed a high profile in his previous cabinets are the Malaysian Chinese Association and the Malaysian Indian Congress, who represent Malaysia's ethnic Chinese and Indian populations.

Malaysia's constitution stipulates that the general election must be held within 60 days of dissolution.

In the 1986 general election, the National Front won 148 of the 177 parliamentary seat and 299 state seats.

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#90278u1271 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 5) UPI - Stocks eased on several major global stock exchanges Friday, as the U.S. House of Representatives' rejecetion of the budget plan sent early shock waves through equity markets worldwide. Trading was described as light but nervous.

The House of Representatives voted 254-179 against the proposed five- year $500 billion budget pact hammered out by President Bush and congressional leaders after months of talks.

The rejection, while not wholly unexpected, sent stock prices falling and left Washington with an 11th-hour attempt to mount a counter-attack budget plan, or the automatic $105 billion across-the-board spending cuts would go into effect at midnight.

Bush began an immediate round of consultations with congressional leaders on the next move to keep the federal government in business after the House's stunning rejection.

Analysts said investors - already in shock from surging oil prices resulting from the Middle East crisis, worries over the likihood of higher interest rates and recession worries - sold stocks from Asia to New York in light trading.

Trude Latimer, market analyst with Jesup Josephthal & Co. Inc. in New York explained ''markets tanked out early ... with elections coming up, nobody wanted the so-called compromise with a sensitive package of taxes on gas, beer wine and tobacco and cuts in programs such as those in medicare.''

The rejection sent stocks plunging at the opening in New York, with a 60-point loss after about 15 minutes of trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

But the Dow then rebounded, in what analysts termed a reflex move after the sharp drop.

''I think it just got overdone,'' said Larry Greenwald, block trader at Sanford C. Bernstein & Co. in New York, ''people are looking to bottom fish (find bargains), that's exactly what's happening.

''They took it (the Dow) took down 60 points in two seconds, so naturally you're going to get some kind of rally after that. The question is can we hold and that's yet to be seen,'' Greenwald said.

In New York, the Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 27.47 points Thursday, was up 12.87 points to 2529.70 at 1:45 p.m. EDT. However, declines led advances by a slight margin.

In Europe, stocks eased in Paris, Frankfurt and Madrid but surged on the London International Stock Exchange as Britain announced its entry to the Exchange Rate Mechanism of the European Monetary System.

The trading day was extended for one hour, because of the heavy trading.

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But ERM entry was considered a boom to British business, analysts noted.

Elsewhere in Europe, stocks closed broadly lower on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. The German Stock Index, which lost 22.54 points Thursday, fell another 30.59 points to 1,391.76.

Traders in Frankfurt said stocks eased on the news of the House rejecting the budget proposal.

In Asia, stocks on the Tokyo Stock Exchange rallied despite the failure of the House to pass the budget plan.

The Nikkei Average, which dropped 571.20 points Thursday, rebounded 549.46 points to 22,827.65.

''The rejection of the deficit-cutting plan led to some selloffs, but did not cause a dramatic plunge,'' said Makano Mitsuhiro, a strategist at Daiwa Securities in Japan.

Japanese analysts interpreted the news as a sign that U.S. interest rates may

not drop as had been expected.

The news reached the market 40 minutes before the close, cooling a rally that had started in the morning and continued into the afternoon session.

In Hong Kong, investors returned to the marketplace after taking a break from the action and sent prices sharply lower on news of the defeat of Bush's budget proposal.

Markets in Hong Kong were closed Thursday for the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival holiday.

The Hong Kong Stock Exchange's Hang Seng Index, which fell 42.93 points Wednesday, slipped 12.10 points to 2,850.45.

The market actually opened higher, ''but after news came about the defeat of the budget proposal, stocks dropped,'' said Herman Lam of First Pacific Securities in Hong Kong.

Stocks also fell in Singapore and Sydney.

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#90278u1277 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - Douglas Tweedale, 32, an editor on the foreign desk at United Press International in Washington and a former foreign corespondent in Central America and Argentina, was killed Thursday night in a fall at his home.

Friends and family members said Tweedale was washing windows at his sixth floor apartment in Washington's Adams Morgan section when a safety rope he had tied around himself snapped and he plunged to the pavement below. He died instantly.

Tweedale had returned to Washington from Managua, Nicaragua, last April and was the editor in charge of preparing UPI's foreign news report for morning newspapers.

Danilo Lacayo, Nicaraguan presidential press secretary, wired condolences to the Tweedale family, saying both he and President Violeta Chamorro ''deeply regret the tragic death of journalist Douglas Tweedale.''

He was born in New York City on April 25, 1958, but grew up in South America and Europe. He attended Tabor Academy in Marion, Mass., and graduated cum laude from Harvard University in 1981 with a degree in history.

In addition to his wife, he is surved by his father, Thomas L. Tweedale, and stepmother, Judith Pennebaker Tweedale, of Wilmington, Del., a brother,

Anthony C. Tweedale of Missoula, Mont., a sister, Katherine E. Tweedale of Birmingham, Mich., and a stepbrother, Lt. Clay Ludlum, serving with the U.S. Army at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas.

A service will be held at an Arlington funeral home Saturday. A family spokesman asked that in lieu of flowers, donations be sent to the American Cancer Society.

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#90278u1281 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - Solar and geothermal industry officials criticized federal budget negotiators Friday for allowing renewable energy tax credits to expire while providing $4 billion in new incentives for oil drilling.

Industry lobbyists, joined by environmentalists, said the negotiators' failure to revive the renewable energy tax credits was illogical at a time when the nation is trying to reduce its reliance on foreign oil.

They said the end of the tax credits - which expired Sept. 30 - was at odds with repeated statements by federal policy-makers that the country should aggressively develop solar, geothermal and wind power.

And, with the Bush administration and congressional leaders reviewing their budget-cutting package following its rejection by the House Thursday, they said the time was right to resurrect the 10 percent investment tax credit, which has been in effect for the past five years.

Scott Sklar, executive director of the Solar Energy Industries Association, said both Democratic and Republican lawmakers had proposed energy policy legislation that backed renewal of the tax credits.

But he said that - unlike the oil industry - renewable energy companies did not have the ear of the administration or the muscle to influence lawmakers in the budget talks.

''We don't have enough squeaky-wheel value to get their attention,'' Sklar said. ''We did not, obviously, have the kind of clout that we had to have.''

Sklar said the death of the tax credits would deal a devastating blow to struggling renewable energy companies that are trying to attract investors for new power systems.

Without the credits, he said: ''We will have a flight of capital from the industry. Commercialization efforts will stall.''

Sklar said the tax credits often provided the slim margin of profitability at existing geothermal and solar plants and represented the only meaningful

federal assistance to the renewable energy industry, at a cost of only $50 million a year in lost tax revenues to the government.

Sklar said if the tax credits were restored, the U.S. solar power industry alone could provide 10 percent of the nation's energy needs by 2000, up from the current level of slightly less than 1 percent.

Officials with the California Energy Co., a major geothermal firm, said the tax credit was instrumental in raising initial money for their COSO generating project. They said geothermal's potential clearly had been demonstrated in California, where it provides 7 percent of the state's electricity.

Environmentalists said the loss of the renewable energy tax credits was especially damaging in conjunction with the $4 billion in tax incentives designated for the oil industry under the defeated budget package. Those incentives aimed to spur exploration and drilling.

They said those incentives would lure investors away from renewable energy projects to oil drilling projects that ultimately could not improve U.S. energy security.

''Drilling for oil does nothing to insulate the economy from price shocks imposed by the world's oil markets'' said Daniel Lashof, senior scientist with the Natural Resources Defense Council.

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(OCT. 5) Bond Calendar - New Issues Scheduled for Public Sale

U.S. GOVERNMENT & FEDERAL AGENCIES (Week of October 8)

Oct. 9 - $18.8 billion 13- , 26-week Treasury bills (pending resolution of federal budget dispute).

Oct. 10 - $8.5 billion in 7-year Treasury notes.

Oct. 11 - Resolution Funding Corp. to auction $5 billion in 30-year bonds.

TAX-EXEMPT NOTES & BONDS (Week of Oct. 8) Courtesy of The Bond Buyer

Issues are to be negotiated unless otherwise noted

Week of October 8

$29.1 million Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority revenue bonds.

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#90278u1294 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - New York Mets outfielder Mark Carreon is undergoing treatment for substance abuse at the Smithers Center for Alcohol and Drug Treatment, the club said Friday.

Carreon, who spent the final six weeks of the season on the disabled list, was admitted to the center in late September and is approximately halfway through the standard 28-day treatment program.

Mets officials refused to comment on Carreon's problem, stating it is a personal matter. He is the fourth member of the team to receive treatment at Smithers in the last four years.

Dwight Gooden underwent drug rehabilitation at Smithers in 1987, Mackey Sasser was treated for alcoholism in 1988 and Darryl Strawberry underwent similar therapy in February.

Carreon's season ended Aug. 20 in San Diego, when he tore knee ligaments while rounding third base against the Padres. He was placed on the disabled list after surgery and went home to Tucson, Ariz. He finished the season with a .250 average, 10 home runs and 26 RBI.

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#90278u1309 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
SOFIA, BULGARIA (OCT. 5) UPI - The government declared war Friday on black market traders and smugglers who are flourishing under the conditions of Bulgaria's worst-ever economic crisis.

The National Assembly passed a law setting tougher penalties, including steep fines, for anyone convicted of dealing on the black market or smuggling contraband into the country. State and local authorites have vowed to strictly enforce the measure.

The Ministry of Trade and Services estimates as little as 10 percent of certain state-produced goods and processed foods are sold in legitimate stores. The rest is traded on the black market at prices up to four times higher than the normal rate.

Heavy black-market trading has contributed to severe shortages in stores, resulting in long lines and rationing of some basic goods.

Sofia newspapers have carried numerous stories in recent weeks about police raids on warehouses crammed with clothing, food and expensive imported goods ready for resale by private dealers. Government officials have attributed much of the illegal activity to foreigners.

''A genuine competition is going on between Bulgarian gypsies, Poles, Romanians, Czechoslovaks and Russians,'' said Col. Borislav Savov, director of the Pazardjik regional militia office. ''The Russians are selling everything but tanks.''

Roumen Nickolov, a Sofia militia official, said many of the foreign- made goods are purchased in Turkey and smuggled across the border. Black market traders mark up the prices by 100 to 400 percent, and then convert their earnings to hard currency.

A favorite trading spot is a 65-mile stretch of the E-80 international highway leading from Bulgaria to Turkey. Motorists with hard currency can buy anything from gasoline to medicines to imported cheese along the strip, now dubbed ''Bulgaria's longest Corecom,'' the name for the state-run hard currency store.

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#90278u1321 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI- Sharply higher fuel prices and weaker passenger traffic will accelerate the shakedown in the airline industry and may combine to deliver a knock-out blow to one of more major carriers - possibly by winter's end, analysts said Friday.

Eastern Airlines, struggling to emerge from bankruptcy, cash-strapped Pan Am Corp. and troubled Trans World Airlines Inc. are the carriers most likely to go out of business or be swallowed up by a stronger competitor, industry watchers said.

Other vulnerable carriers include Continental Airlines Corp. and Midway Airlines Inc., based in Chicago.

''It's reasonable to guess that one of the majors may go out, particularly in this weak environment,'' said analyst Bob Bernstein of St. Louis-based Edward D. Jones. ''With fuel prices and interest rates going up, that certainly makes it more difficult for them to turn the situation around.''

Higher ticket prices and a bad economy have hurt passenger traffic on most airlines.

''If you take the four most leveraged carriers, they've lost $900 million this year,'' noted Goldman Sachs & Co. analyst Glenn Engell, referring to Eastern, Pan Am, TWA and Continental. ''I don't see how these guys can sustain these losses for much longer. What sustained them this long was asset sales, and that market is drying up.''

Most analysts agreed that Eastern's chances of survival, given the current environment, are extremely slim. ''It's just a matter of time before Eastern

folds up,'' said Robert Decker, an analyst with Duff & Phelps in Chicago. The timing of Eastern's demise, he said, will depend on how much money U.S. Bankruptcy Court will allow the carrier to draw out of a special account for secured creditors.

''Eastern is a joke,'' added Morgan Stanley analyst Dominik Volpe. ''It's going to take more than slick commercials to bring them back.''

Next on the list of likely losers is Pan Am, which has been swimming in a sea or red ink for years. ''I expect we might see Pan Am filing Chapter 11 within several months - that's totally feasible,'' said Decker. ''Winter is a slow season for the industry and that's exacerbated by a weak economy and higher fuel prices.''

Decker said Pan Am could stave off its demise through the sale of its East Coast shuttle and some of its desirable international routes. But such actions if successful, might only delay the inevitable, he said.

Analysts gave TWA somewhat better odds of survival primarily because of its stronger cash position and its domestic hub operations - valuable assets that could be sold off in a pinch.

The sale of routes and other airlines assets, however, will likely receive close scrutiny by the Federal Aviation Administration and Congress, which could further hamper the carriers' efforts to raise cash, analysts noted.

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#90278u1322 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, Poland (OCT. 5) UPI - Powerful explosions went off in two offices of the Kodak company Friday, causing extensive damage, police said.

''The explosives have not been identified and an investigation is under way,'' a statement by police headquarters said. ''The damages are considerable.''

One explosion occurred about 2 a.m. in a store housing a $100,000 machine that automatically develops and prints film. The second blast occurred at the chief office 2 miles away.

Crowds of people gathered near the Kodak store in the center of the city to see the devastation. The explosion was so powerful that windows in the offices across the street were shattered.

''Nobody was injured,'' a police sergeant on the scene said.

A Kodak represenative who requested anonymity said the explosion damaged the developing machine, but the extent was not year clear.

''More serious were losses in the Kodak chief office, where computers were damaged following the explosion,'' he said.

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#90278u1331 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 5) UPI - Sergei Lapin, former ambassador to China and prominent Soviet journalist, has died at the age of 78, the official Tass news agency said Friday.

An obituary, signed by President Mikhail Gorbachev and other Soviet leaders and to be published Saturday, noted Lapin's service as a director of Soviet Radio during World War II.

Tass did not provide the date or cause of Lapin's death.

Lapin worked in the Foreign Ministry from 1953 to 1967, serving as his government's ambassador to Austria and China and rising to the rank of deputy foreign minister.

Lapin held the highest posts in Soviet journalism between 1967 and his retirement in 1985. He was general director of Tass until 1970 and then took over helm at the U.S.S.R. State Television and Radio Committee, which controls all broadcasting in the country.

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#90278u1350 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

AUSTIN, Texas (OCT. 5) UPI - The ultimate cost of the nation's thrift crisis will be much higher than current estimates as the federal inventory of repossessed assets from failed thrifts continues to rise, a report said Friday.

''Many of the properties are physically deteriorating and dropping in value. Postponing liquidation in hopes of higher prices someday is likely only to increase the ultimate cost to the taxpayer,'' said Alex Sheshunoff, president of the financial consulting firm bearing his name.

''The final cost of the thrift crisis is going to be significantly higher than current estimates. By financing the bailout through 30-year government bonds, we place an enormous financial burden on generations to come.''

He said politicization of the thrift crisis would only further prolong and intensify the debacle.

''We are not yet in an unmanageable financial crisis, but a combination of political grandstanding and an unwillingness to deal straightforwardly with hard realities may create one,'' he said.

In the first six months of this year, Sheshunoff said, the nation's 2,918 operating thrifts lost $6.35 billion.

Of this number, 1,892, or 65 percent, were profitable, earning $2.4 billion. But the remaining 35 percent of the thrifts had a combined loss of $8.7 billion, producing an industrywide net loss of $6.35 billion.

The thrifts reported year-to-year earnings, on a collective basis, in only 21 states, led by Ohio with $71 million, Washington state $61 million and Hawaii and Indiana with $33 million each.

''Many institutions,'' Sheshunoff said, ''are operating in either overbuilt or overpriced real estate markets, and a few have been weakened further by ill-advised investments in risky assets such as 'junk bonds''' - risky, high-yield instruments used many times to finance leveraged buyouts of companies in the 1980s.

Thrifts in seven states - Texas, Massachusetts, California, Arizona, New York, New Jersey and Florida - accounted for three-fourths of the total industry loss.

The Midwest, which never experienced the real estate booms seen in other regions over the last decade, currently has only 1.6 percent of its loans as nonperforming.

The majority of the nonperforming loans are still concentrated in the Southwest and the Northeast. The Southwest led in terms of nonperforming loans as a percentage of gross loans, with 8 percent, or $3.7 billion, at the end of the second quarter. The Southwest is the only region where thrifts have an overall negative tangible capital position.

Thrifts in the Northeast, facing growing real estate troubles, reported $6.7 billion in nonperforming loans, or 4.9 percent of the gross loans.

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#90278u1354 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Cincinnati Bengals Coach Sam Wyche, who violated NFL policy by barring a woman sports writer from the team's locker room, Friday was fined one-seventeenth of his salary by Commissioner Paul Tagliabue.

The fine - the equivalent of one week's pay during the season - is the heaviest one assessed a coach by the league. Wyche is believed to make about $300,000 a year, bringing the fine to more than $17,500.

An NFL spokesman said Tagliabue wanted to impose a ''severe'' fine without ''disrupting'' the Bengals on the field.

The commissioner said in a four-paragraph statement that Wyche would face even stiffer disciplinary action should he flout the league's media policy again.

Wyche disobeyed media access rules in 1986 and 1989 and was fined by then-Commissioner Pete Rozelle.

Following the Bengals' Monday night loss in Seattle, Wyche refused to let USA Today reporter Denise Tom into the dressing room after the game. He said he did so to ''protect the privacy'' of his players.

The incident came two weeks after several naked New England Patriots players allegedly harassed a Boston Herald reporter in the locker room and made lewd suggestions to her. The matter is under investigation by the league.

In the aftermath of Monday night's controversy, Wyche said he would keep his all his players dressed for 20 minutes after games and then clear the room of reporters.

Tagliabue said in his statement such a plan is ''not consistent'' with league policy and the locker room must stay open until the players leave.

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#90278u1355 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 5) UPI - A class-action suit was filed on behalf of more than 400 people in town for a True Value Hardware convention who were stricken with salmonella poisoning linked to a dinner at the Hyatt Regency Chicago hotel.

The suit, which seeks in excess of $15,000, claims chicken and/or bread pudding served at a recognition dinner Sunday night ''was in unreasonably dangerous condition.''

The suit was filed Thursday in Cook County Circuit Court against the Hyatt Corp. by Andrea Field on behalf of herself and all the conventioneers who got sick Monday and Tuesday. Field, of Chicago, is an employee of Cotter & Co., the Chicago company which owns True Value.

Although city health officials have not yet pinpointed the source of the salmonella, investigators have said they are focusing on chicken and bread pudding, which had a glaze made of eggs.

Attorney Robert F. Lisco, who's representing Field, said she was sick for two days and spent about six hours in the hospital for treatment.

Lisco estimated about 500 of the 2,000 conventioneers who attended the dinner got sick Monday or Tuesday.

Meanwhile, Hyatt President Darryl Hartley-Leonard announced Thursday that the

Chicago-based hotel chain would help victims who stayed at the Hyatt, by covering their hotel bills and emergency room bills. The company is also considering helping victims who stayed at other area hotels but attended the dinner at the Hyatt, he added.

''True Value is a very valued client and these are our customers,'' Hartley-Leonard said, adding that the hotel is not admitting any liability, however.

''We do not know if we are the source of the outbreak,'' he emphasized.

Hartley-Leonard said the hotel has hired Dr. Bernard Turnock, former director of the Illinois Department of Public Health, to advise the hotel in its own investigation into the outbreak.

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#90278u1356 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 5) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	79.35	79.85	79.27	79.77	79.75
Dec	76.15	77.10	76.15	76.95	76.72
Feb	74.50	75.10	74.50	74.80	75.02
Apr	75.50	75.92	75.45	75.57	75.87
Jun	73.00	73.25	72.95	73.07	73.37
Aug	71.70	71.70	71.57	71.60	71.60
Oct	71.80	71.90	71.70	71.70	71.75

Est. sales 14,504 contracts; Thursday 13,381; open interest 68,802 up 468.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	87.00	88.10	87.00	87.82	87.75
Nov	86.20	87.25	86.20	86.95	86.85
Jan	85.15	86.05	85.15	85.92	86.05
Mar	83.35	83.72	83.35	83.52	83.67
Apr	82.50	83.10	82.50	82.97	83.05
May	81.70	82.20	81.65	82.20	82.17
Aug	82.12	82.12	82.10	82.10	82.45

Est. sales 1,179 contracts; Thursday 908; open interest 11,179 up 113.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	56.75	57.40	56.65	57.17	57.25
Dec	55.00	55.75	55.00	55.35	55.32
Feb	51.80	52.50	51.75	52.15	52.15
Apr	48.40	49.05	48.20	48.47	48.52
Jun	51.80	52.60	51.80	52.20	51.87
Jly	51.90	52.55	51.90	52.55	52.10
Aug	50.30	50.95	50.30	50.72	50.75

Oct .... 46.20 .... 46.20 46.10 Est. sales 6,127 contracts; Thursday 7,496; open interest 26,851 off 113.
 Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 63.80 66.45 63.55 66.45 64.45
Mar 63.35 66.25 63.35 66.25 64.25
May 63.50 66.10 63.50 65.55 64.22
Jly 63.10 64.80 62.90 64.17 63.80
Aug .... 63.20 .... 63.20 62.50 Est. sales 4,251 contracts; Thursday 4,594; open interest 7,097 up 488.
 CARLOTS
 DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 125.44 up 12 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 124.52 up 15 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 116.78 down 27 cents, 700-850 lbs. 115.50 down 24 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light; fresh pork loins mostly steady; Boston butts were not tested; skinned hams were not fully established; seedless bellies were steady; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 116.00; hams 17-20 lbs.106.00, 20-26 lbs. 102.00-105.00; bellies 10- 12 lbs. 74.00, 12-14 lbs. 78.00, 14-16 lbs. 78.00, 16-18 lbs. 78.00.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - Published reports quote Pentagon officials who say Iraq has developed a new form of high-explosive that is NOT even in the U-S arsenal. There are NO known defenses against the so-called fuel-air explosive, or F-A-E. It is 10 times as powerful as a conventional weapon of the same size and can be used against air bases, oil fields or troops out in the open. It works on a principle similar to that of filling a room with natural gas and then striking a match.

President Bush is meeting with congressional leaders as everyone tries to stop a growing budget crisis that is well past the 11th hour. In fact, it is racing toward a midnight deadline that will mandate across-the-board budget cuts that Congress will be unable to stop. Leaders of both parties had worked out the compromise with the White House but then they failed to deliver the votes needed for passage. The rank-and-file revolt found 105 of 176 Republicans voting NO. 149 of 256 Democrats did the same.

A one-day rebellion apparently is collapsing in the Philippines. The army colonel who yesterday proclaimed indepedence on the island of Mindanao says his intentions were misunderstood and he only wants to talk of reforms. Government warplanes have blasted some of the rebels out of one garrison and

are prepared to recapture the other they hold.

News reports from India say prison guards shot and killed at least seven inmates and critically wounded 12 others during a riot today at the maximum-security central jail in New Delhi. The Press Trust of India says rioting prisoners rampaged through the facility, setting fires and attacking police to protest the death of an inmate. The report says the inmates climbed onto the roof of one building and pelted authorities with bricks... injuring at least 20 guards and jail officials.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Helen of Troy (2nd Q 8-31)	
$30,967,000	$31,977,000
$1,557,000 (.30)	$3,400,000 (.62)
Town & Country (2nd Q 8-31)	
$86,187,000	$89,022,000
d-$3,247,000	d-$3,488,000

d-Deficit.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - The House's stunning rejection in 20 minutes early Friday morning of a bipartisan budget plan it took four months to develop was less a defeat for the politicians who created it than for the painful policies it contained.

As weary House Democrats and Republicans began the 1 a.m. EDT vote Friday, a majority of members apparently decided there was too little in the $500 billion, five-year deficit reduction plan they could vote for and a whole lot they could easily vote against a month before November's elections.

The congressional leaders of both parties who spent weeks negotiating it won bipartisan applause when they spoke on the floor in support of the plan. Members knew that their leaders had worked hard and done the best they could, given the political obstacles and realities they faced.

But the applause quickly died when the House's electronic voting board lit up. The package was soundly beaten on a 254-179 vote, with a majority of both parties opposing it.

Assistant House Democratic leader William Gray of Pennsylvania said after the vote that his party could have produced a majority of Democrats in support of the plan had Republicans done so.

But no one will ever know since there were at least as many Democrats who disliked the package as Republicans, albeit for different reasons.

Despite days of arm-twisting, cajoling, pleading, horse-trading and even a national television pitch by President Bush aimed predominantly at his own party, Republicans never came around to embrace the plan.

That is at least a bit ironic since among the GOP opponents were dozens of conservatives who could not bring themselves to belly up to the bar of deficit reduction despite years of bellyaching about the need to cut the deficit and get government spending under control.

In large part, the deficit plan was defeated because Bush and the five top congressional leaders who drafted it neglected a critical element that may have made the package more palatable.

They forgot to put a little sugar coating on the bitter pill they were asking members to swallow in the name of deficit reduction. The critical need for deficit reduction itself was not enough to carry the day given the odious elements of the package.

Democrats may have been more enthusiastic had they gotten a tax increase on the wealthiest Americans who, from the Democratic view, now pick up a big chuck of the deficit reduction tab since they were the ones invited to the party during the Reagan years when their taxes were drastically reduced.

But Bush and the Republicans, while making some concessions on tax rates, would not go far enough to appease Democrats.

Republicans may have swallowed tax increases had they gotten a lower tax rate on capital gains - profits from selling assets such as stocks, bonds and real estate - or other economic growth incentives.

But Democrats demanded a tax rate increase on the rich as the price for capital gains or other pro-growth elements that Democrats said benefited the wealthy. Republicans were unwilling to pay the political price.

Without those elements, there was little to rally support for the plan on either side.

What lawmakers got instead was an unpopular package of tax increases on gasoline, alcohol, cigarettes and other items, and spending cuts.

Those taxes disproportionately hurt the middle and lower classes, to the chagrin of both parties who try to court middle class voters.

And they forced many Republicans to decide whether to break a no-new- tax pledge they took for political reasons in 1988 after Bush made the same pledge. Most balked.

The biggest red flag to most Democrats, however, was the package's $60 billion cut in Medicare over five years, including a doubling of the annual premium paid by beneficiaries.

Democrats also had trouble accepting what many saw as a too-small cut in Pentagon spending and a doubling, to two weeks, of the waiting period before unemployed people could begin getting benefits - particular problem in Midwestern states like Ohio and Michigan with high unemployment rates among factory workers.

Adding salt in the wound for Democrats was the last-minute inclusion in the package, in lieu of a capital gains cut, of a series of tax breaks for venture capitalists investing in small-growth companies.

Democrats saw that as just another break for the rich and a bid by the GOP to ''muck up'' the tax code and re-establish the tax shelter swept away by the landmark Tax Reform Act of 1986.

Sources in both parties also felt that Bush's TV speech in support of the package was too little and too late to change members minds.

His request to voters to contact members of Congress in support of the plan certainly backfired, since lawmakers reported being swamped after the speech by calls from constituents who opposed the Medicare cuts and tax increases.

What happens next is unclear but it's almost a sure bet that any alternative package leaders produce over the weekend or next week will have smaller Medicare cuts, a different mix of taxes and will not be accompanied by a plea from Bush to call your congressman with your thoughts.

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DETROIT (OCT. 5) UPI - Family Circle magazine announced Friday the Toyota Camry and Chevrolet Lumina have been named its Import and Domestic Cars of the Year, although the bulk of Camrys sold in America are now assembled in Kentucky.

The New York magazine selected the two cars after judging responses from over 4,200 owners of the 10 import and domestic 1990 models most popular among households with at least one child aged under 18.

Domestic models included the Lumina and Chevrolet Geo Prizm and Jeep Cherokee, as well as the Dodge Caravan and Plymouth Voyager minivans from Chrysler Corp.

Import brands included the Camry, Honda Accord and Civic, Nissan Maxima and Mazda MPV minivan.

It is the second year in a row that the Camry was named Car of the Year by Family Circle magazine, published every three weeks by the New York Times Co. Magazine Group in New York.

''We're delighted with the award,'' said company spokesman John McCandless from Toyota's Detroit office. ''Although it is for Import Car of the Year, it really reflects our U.S. built cars.''

But the Camry is technically considered an import car because its North American-made parts content is still under 75 percent.

The Camry was the best selling car in the United States for the first time ever in August, although the Honda Accord - the best selling car for the entire 1990-model year - outpaced it in September.

The magazine's research showed size and body type, brand reputation and price were the most frequently mentioned influences when buying a particular make or model.

The most popular options chosen by those polled included upgraded stereos with either a tape cassette or compact disc player, power windows and power brakes. Least considered extras were sun roofs, special seat coverings and power-adjusted seats.

''One interesting finding of our poll this year was the overwhelming number - nearly 75 percent - of new family vehicle owners who said they would be willing to pay extra for features that preserve the environment,'' Family Circle President Charles Townsend said. ''Nearly six in 10 said they approved of increasing taxes for this purpose.''

The winning cars and awards will be showcased in the publication's Nov. 6 issue that goes on sale Oct. 16.

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SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (OCT. 5) UPI - South and North Korea clashed Friday over U.N. membership with Seoul damanding the two countries join the United Nations separately and Pyongyang urging that they share a single U.N. seat.

Diplomats of the two sides met behind closed doors for 2 1/2 hours at the

border village of Panmunjom hoping to settle differences over the U.N. membership issue.

At the meeting, chief Southern negotiator Lim Dong-won stressed that ''the only realistic way of promoting peaceful reunification is for the two Koreas to obtain U.N. seats at the same time,'' officials said.

Lim proposed the two Koreas, after joining the world body separately, jointly declare that the arrangement is temporary, and that they will continue efforts to move up reunification and merge the separate seats into one, the officials said.

North Korean negotiator Choe U-jin reiterated his government's stand that South and North Korea should share a single U.N. seat because separate membership for them will freeze and legalize Korea's division.

The South Korean representative pointed out that North Korea recently proposed talks to normalize relations with Japan in an apparent change of policy, and hoped the North will adopt new thinking concerning the U.N. membership issue, the officials said.

The North-South meeting Friday was the second contact between the two countries on the U.N. membership question. Another meeting will be held before the second round of inter-Korea prime ministers talks is held in Pyongyang on Oct. 16-19, South Korean officials said.

South Korea, meanwhile, proposed three separate working-level contacts for Monday at Panmunjom to discuss details for a proposed exchange of soccer teams the dispatch of 17 musicians and reporters to attend a music festival in North Korea this month and the second round of prime ministers' talks.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Gold futures closed 120 to 130 points higher Friday on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	394.30	396.00	393.60	393.60	392.30
Dec	399.40	400.70	396.50	398.10	396.90
Feb	403.50	404.50	401.40	402.20	401.00
Apr	408.00	408.00	404.80	406.10	404.90
Jun	411.50	....	....	410.20	409.00
Aug	415.30	....	....	414.10	412.80
Oct	419.50	....	....	418.30	417.00
Dec	421.00	....	....	422.60	421.30
Feb	428.50	....	....	427.30	426.00

Apr	433.10	....	....	431.90	430.60
Jun	438.10	....	....	436.90	435.60
Aug	443.10	....	....	441.90	440.60

Open interest: 110,727 off 765.
Estimated sales: 35,000 contracts.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages fell to 10.08 percent from 10.22 percent and adjustable-rate notes declined to 8.25 percent from 8.28 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 5) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Friday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.74	2.76 1/4	2.73 1/2	2.73 3/4	2.75
Mar	2.88 3/4	2.90 1/4	2.87 1/2	2.88	2.89
May	2.95	2.97	2.94 1/4	2.95	2.95 3/4
Jly	2.99 3/4	3.01	2.98 1/4	2.99	3.00 1/2
Sep	....	....	....	3.03	3.04 1/2
Dec	....	....	....	3.12 1/2	3.13 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.30	2.33 1/4	2.28 1/2	2.28 3/4	2.30 3/4
Mar	2.39 3/4	2.42	2.37 1/2	2.37 3/4	2.40 1/4
May	2.45 1/2	2.47 3/4	2.44	2.44 1/4	2.46
Jly	2.48	2.51 1/2	2.47 3/4	2.48	2.49 1/2
Sep	2.46 1/4	2.48	2.46 1/4	2.46 3/4	2.49
Dec	2.49	2.50 1/4	2.48 1/2	2.49 1/2	2.49
Mar	2.55 1/4	2.56	2.55 1/4	2.56	2.55 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.21 1/4	1.23	1.20 3/4	1.21 1/2	1.23 1/4
Mar	1.31 1/2	1.33 1/2	1.30 3/4	1.31 3/4	1.33 1/2
May	1.38	1.39 1/2	1.37 1/2	1.39	1.40 1/2
Jly	....	....	....	1.44	1.46
Sep	....	....	....	1.50	1.51 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	6.18 1/2	6.21 1/2	6.16	6.17	6.17 3/4
Jan	6.33	6.35 1/2	6.30 3/4	6.31 1/2	6.31 1/2

Mar	6.45	6.48	6.43	6.44	6.44
May	6.54 1/2	6.58	6.53	6.53 1/2	6.53 3/4
Jul	6.61 1/2	6.66	6.61	6.61 1/2	6.61 1/4
Aug	6.58 1/2	6.59	6.55	6.55	6.55
Sep	6.31 1/2	6.31 1/2	6.26	6.26	6.27
Nov	6.16	6.17	6.13 1/2	6.14 1/4	6.16
Jan	6.24 1/2	6.24 1/2	6.24 1/2	6.24 1/2	6.26

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Oct	22.20	22.52	22.15	22.17	22.18
Dec	22.58	22.89	22.56	22.57	22.53
Jan	22.90	23.15	22.87	22.89	22.82
Mar	23.35	23.60	23.33	23.33	23.26
May	23.70	23.85	23.65	23.65	23.60
Jul	23.90	24.05	23.85	23.85	23.85
Aug	23.85	23.95	23.85	23.95	23.75
Sep	23.70	23.75	23.60	23.75	23.65
Oct	23.20	23.20	23.15	23.15	23.20
Dec	23.15	23.15	23.05	23.10	23.12

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	182.50	184.50	182.60	183.40	183.60
Dec	187.50	188.60	187.20	187.60	187.70
Jan	189.10	190.10	188.70	189.40	189.00
Mar	191.20	191.80	190.80	191.30	191.00
May	192.00	192.30	191.00	191.80	191.50
Jul	192.00	192.50	191.50	192.50	191.50
Aug	190.00	191.50	190.00	190.70	190.00
Sep	187.00	187.00	185.00	185.80	186.70
Oct	184.00	184.00	182.00	182.50	184.00
Dec	183.50	183.50	182.00	183.20	184.50

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 2 to 12 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.95	10.14	9.83	9.94	9.82
May	10.04	10.15	9.88	9.96	9.91
Jly	10.09	10.15	9.90	9.95	9.91
Oct	10.11	10.13	9.97	9.98	9.96

Estimated sales: 16,852 contracts

Open interest: 108,189 up 1,876

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.97

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday 6 points higher to 5 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.40	23.42	23.29	23.37	23.42
Jan	23.19	23.21	23.16	23.21	23.15
Mar	23.14	23.14	23.14	23.14	23.11
May	23.22	23.23	23.22	23.23	23.20
Jly	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.20
Sep	23.20	23.21	23.20	23.21	23.18
Nov	23.30	22.88	22.88	22.88	22.87

Estimated sales: 614 contracts

Open interest: 11,687 up 291

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	368.42	219.39	136.47	21.06	312.69
Opening	362.52	215.95	134.70	20.71	307.80
11 a.m.	364.71	217.38	135.44	20.92	309.73
Noon	366.24	217.76	135.93	21.13	311.11
1 p.m.	367.86	218.11	136.58	21.16	312.42
2 p.m.	369.08	219.61	136.67	21.14	313.28
3 p.m.	368.24	218.71	136.35	21.04	312.50

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#90278u1463 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (OCT. 5) UPI - Newly revealed evidence suggests people at Salvadoran military headquarters had prior knowledge of the operation in which six Jesuit priests were murdered last November.

Prosecuting attorneys said this week that log books kept at military headquarters contain false entries of rebel attacks on the priests' living quarters before and during the operation in which members of the Atlacatl Battalion, trained for combat by U.S. instructors, allegedly carried out the killings.

The prosecutors interpreted the first log entry, made before the killings took place, was a prior attempt to frame the rebels.

The entries ''reveal a prior knowledge of what happened,'' prosecutor Alvaro Henry Campos told reporters. ''It seems that someone anticipatedly attributed the deed ... to other armed men, in this case the guerrillas.''

The killing of the Jesuit university professors, their housekeeper and her teenage daughter prompted an international outcry and sparked an intense debate in the U.S. Congress that has resulted in proposals to withhold half of the $85 million dollars in military aid the Bush administration has requested for El Salvador in 1991.

Members of the U.S. Congress and Salvadoran Catholic Church officials have accused high-ranking military officers of trying to obstruct justice, possibly to cover up their own involvement.

In written and personal court testimony, military officers have been unable to explain who made the log entries that appeared at 12:30 a.m. and 2:30 a.m. on Nov. 16, 1989. All the officers claim they knew nothing of the killings until the following day.

Members of the Atlacatl Battalion's commando unit told investigators they killed the priests at about 2 a.m. acting on orders from superiors. The soldiers said they considered the Jesuits to be ''intellectual ringleaders'' of the rebels, and attributed the deaths of the domestics to orders to ''leave no witnesses.''

The commandos were part of a special security detail set up to protect the military complex during a massive rebel offensive centered on San Salvador. The complex houses the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and lies only a few blocks from the University of Central America campus where the priests lived.

Col. Guillermo Alfredo Benavides, who was commander of the security detail, has been charged with ordering the killings. Four soldiers and three lieutenants also charged with murder in the case have admitted their participation to investigators. Another soldier has been charged but is a fugitive.

If convicted, Benavides will be the first Salvadoran military officer brought to justice for a political murder, despite claims by human rights organizations that the military has killed thousands of rebel sympathizers during the decade-old civil war.

Criticism of the military's role in the effort to solve the Jesuit case has generally centered on accusations of perjury, destroying evidence and withholding information during judicial investigations leading up to a formal trial.

But prosecuting attorneys criticized the U.S.-funded Special Investigative Unit, which handled the initial stage of the investigation.

Prosecutor Campos said the unit, all of whose members are military personnel, failed to investigate anyone higher in rank than Lt. Jose Espinoza Guerra, the officer who said he led the operation on orders from Benavides.

''It has been clearly demonstrated that the (unit) did not want to go any further than Lieutenant Espinoza,'' Campos said. ''They have not insisted on investigating essential points in the case of Benavides or people who were further up the (military) hierarchy than Benavides.''

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(OCT. 5) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close

Oct. 4, 1990

Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	432.90	off 10.89	up 2.93
Growth & Income	680.24	off 10.25	up 2.92
Balanced	446.72	off 9.90	up 2.39
Average Fund Performances:			
Capital Appreciation (144)		off 12.60	up 2.21
Growth (260)		off 10.85	up 2.89
Small Co. Growth (83)		off 16.68	up 2.00
Growth & Income (200)		off 9.41	up 2.78
Equity Income (66)		off 10.39	up 2.50
Average 753 Equity		off 11.41	up 2.60
Health/Biotech (9)		up 5.62	up 4.38
Natural Resources (19)		off 2.08	off 0.21
Environmental (5)		off 13.36	up 1.84
Science & Technology (23)		off 14.16	up 1.74
Specialty/Misc (31)		off 13.58	up 2.19
Utility (15)		off 7.20	up 2.74
Financial Services (10)		off 23.40	up 2.94
Real Estate (6)		off 19.55	off 0.23
Option Income (10)		off 8.37	up 3.17
Global (43)		off 11.40	up 3.45
International (55)		off 11.61	up 3.84
European Region (17)		off 4.02	up 3.74
Pacific Region (18)		off 19.59	up 3.22
Gold Oriented (34)		off 16.61	off 4.02
Average All Equity (1043)		off 11.55	up 2.44

Flexible Portfolio (46)		off	5.90	up	1.90
Global Flexible Port (11)		off	5.58	up	1.04
Balanced (60)		off	4.88	up	2.34
Convertible Security (29)		off	9.73	up	0.12
Mixed Income (13)		off	3.85	up	1.46
Income (4)		off	8.21	off	0.12
World Income (44)		up	9.18	up	1.65
Fixed Income (536)		up	1.43	up	0.83
Average 1791 Funds		off	6.66	up	1.86
Median 1791 Funds		off	7.00	up	1.80
Unmanaged Market Indicators:					
DJ Industrial	2,516.83	off	8.59	up	3.68
S&P 500	312.69	off	11.52	up	3.89
S&P 400	368.42	off	8.69	up	3.75
NYSE Composite	171.33	off	12.16	up	3.61
Amex	308.14	off	18.48	up	0.89

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)

Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (OCT. 5) UPI - A power struggle between the federal government and Slovenia heated up Friday after the staff of the republic's military reserve force moved out of their headquarters to evade a federally ordered takeover by the Yugoslav Army.

The army's unannounced takeover late Thursday of the headquarters of the Slovenian Territorial Defense Units provoked a demonstration by hundreds of Slovenes Friday in front of the building in the center of the republic's capital of Ljubjana, 350 miles west of Belgrade, state- radio reported.

Some of the protesters managed to enter the building, but left after being confrontated by rifle-wielding military police officers, the radio said.

The crowd dispersed without incident following appeals by senior officials for calm.

The Slovenian government of President Milan Kucan issued a protest to Yugoslavia's eight-man federal presidency denouncing the army's action as a ''provocation.''

Civilian employees of the reserve force signed a declaration pledging their loyalty to Kucan's government.

A senior army official said the takeover of the headquarters was in line with orders from the presidency.

''Our legal obligation is to carry out orders by the Yugoslav state presidency. In doing so, we are not going to take from Slovenia any part of its sovereignty,'' said Lt. Gen. Drago Tominc, deputy commander of the 5th Military Region, which covers the republics of Croatia and Slovenia.

''We hope there will be enough wisdom and reason so that for all people we will be able to ensure a peaceful and secure life,'' he said.

The situation exacerbated a challenge to federal authority by Kucan's United Democratic Front coalition of Slovene nationalist parties, which ousted communists from power in April in multi-party assembly elections, the first held in Yugoslavia since the end of World War II in 1945.

Kucan's government began pressing for greater self-rule for Slovenia, the most liberal and economically advanced of Yugoslavia's six republics, and in July declared sovereignty, making republic laws pre- eminent over federal statutes.

On Sept. 28, the Slovenian Assembly approved legislation giving the republic's government peacetime command of the Slovenian Territorial Defense Units, comprised of civilians who serve on a part-time basis under regular army control.

Kucan dismissed the contingent's regular army commander, Gen. Ivan Hocevar, and appointed a reserve major as the acting chief.

The federal presidency, which acts as a collective head of state, on Tuesday declared Slovenia's actions illegal and ordered the Yugoslav Army to resume control of the reserve force.

Apparently anticipating army action, the Slovenian government moved the reserve force staff out of its headquarters to another building on Thursday evening, officials said.

Later in the evening, 16 regular military police officers drove to the reservists headquarters, cut telephone lines and locked the doors from inside, a Slovenian Information Ministry official told United Press International by telephone from Ljubljana.

An Slovenian government statement said the officers moved into the building after Hocevar asked military police to secure it on the basis of the federal presidency's orders.

Officials said reserve the force staff was working normally in their new location.

Leaders of Yugoslavia's 1.8 million Slovenes and 4.6 million Croats back proposals to convert the loose Yugoslav federation into a confederation of independent states because of fears that the demise of strong, national communist rule early this year will lead to domination by the 8.5 million-strong Serbian majority.

The federal government, weakened by the loss of communist power, has been hard-pressed to block Slovenian and Croatian moves designed to enhance the confederation plan.

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#90278u1522 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

MONROVIA, Liberia (OCT. 5) UPI - The port of Monrovia is sufficiently secure to allow urgently needed food supplies to arrive in the Liberian capital by sea, the commander of the West African peacekeeping force said Friday.

Five days after Charles Taylor's rebel forces launched their most recent artillery attack on the port, Major Gen. Joshua Dogonyaro said the port was under his control and relief supplies could safely be brought in.

The food and medicine are badly needed for thousands of people who have been left hungry and sick by the civil war.

In his first news conference since becoming field commander of the Economic Community of West African States peacekeeping force, he told aid agencies not to use the rebel-held port of Buchanan, 75 miles east of Monrovia.

''ECOWAS cannot be held responsible for accidents,'' he said. But he refuted claims by Taylor that Nigerian aircraft had carried out up to 30 bombing raids on the port.

Dogonyaro did not rule out the possibility of military action at the port, saying, ''there are more weapons there than there is food in the containers that are unloaded there.''

Taylor has fought to take control of the West African country since December. A rival rebel leader, Prince Johnson, subsequently joined the fray, and his troop killed President Samuel Doe last month.

Doe loyalists are holed up in the presidential mansion in the city center.

The ECOWAS commander appealed to Taylor to stop the carnage, saying ''Liberians don't need to suffer so much because of one person.''

Asked about ECOWAS's relations with the leaders of the two other warring factions, Dogonyaro commended their support for the peacekeeping operation.

''If I asked General (David) Nimely to leave the mansion, he would leave it,'' he said, referring to the leader of a thousand government soldiers.

Dogonyaro also released ECOWAS's casualty figures for the past 10 days. Two soldiers, one Nigerian and the other Sierra Leonean, were killed and 11 others wounded.

ECOWAS fought its heaviest battle north of Monrovia where two Nigerian battalions, with artillery backup, pushed Taylor's forces back to Barnerville, 5 miles from the port, ECOWAS spokesman Major Chris Otulana said.

Sierra Leonean troops manning roadblocks along Somalia Drive, linking the port area with the eastern suburb of Paynesville, repelled a dawn infiltration by Taylor's troops Friday as they tried to cross by boats to the city through mangrove swamps.

On the other battlefront, after several days of fierce fighting around the presidential mansion, ECOWAS troops were within striking distance of Spriggs-Payne airfield, in the eastern district of Sinkor, Dogonyaro said.

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#90278u1533 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - The last time Congress imposed a federal tax on alcohol, President Harry Truman was completing his second term in office. With the exception of 1984, when the government slapped an 8- cent tax on each pack of cigarettes, the tobacco industry has not been hit with a tax increase since 1951, either.

Although Congress defeated a budget proposal Friday morning that would have imposed nearly $16 billion in new taxes on tobacco and alcohol, these two industry groups agree they are now unlikely to escape some sort of tax levy.

Still, over the years they have managed, with remarkable tenacity, to stave off numerous proposed tax increases.

Part of the reason for the leniency is due to the fact that states have levied regular, sometimes stiff, excise taxes.

But the tobacco and spirits lobbies have not been shy about twisting arms on Capitol Hill to ward off tax increases.

The two industries have pumped millions of dollars in campaign contributions into the campaign coffers of key lawmakers, targeting tobacco state representatives and members of the leadership who will be responsible for drafting any budget proposal that Congress ultimately accepts.

Rep. Robert Michel, R-Ill., the House Republican leader, was the top recipient among congressmen, receiving $83,400 from tobacco and spirits interests from 1987 through last September, according to a United Press International review of campaign finances.

In the Senate, Michel's counterpart, Robert Dole, R-Kan., was the third top recipient in political action committee money from those interests, Federal Election Commission figures show. Dole received $79, 300 from the groups since 1983.

Not surprisingly, two tobacco state senators outpaced Dole. Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., ranked first, receiving $108,600, while Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C. got $97,800.

Other top recipients in the Senate included Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D- Texas, chairman of the tax-writing Finance Committee, who received $69, 700 and Sen. Bob Kasten, R-Wis., who netted $69,500.

In the House, Michel was followed by Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., chairman of the Energy and Commerce Committee, who received $49,800 since 1987, Rep. Tom Bliley, R-Va., who collected $45,500, Rep. Robert Matsui, D-Calif., who netted $45,400 and Rep. Guy Vander Jagt, R-Mich., who received $43,700.

Lawmakers from tobacco states informally met during the budget summit between congressional leaders and the White House to kill any attempt at imposing excise taxes, particularly on tobacco, several members reported.

Several senators, included McConnell of Kentucky, frequently urged White House Budget Director Richard Darman to stop any tax increase on tobacco.

Meanwhile, President Bush promised Helms, who is in a tight re- election bid, that he would not approve tax increases on tobacco, several officials said.

In an early victory for tobacco producers, summit leaders gutted a proposed 16-cent tax increase on each pack of cigarettes and adopted aa 8-cent tax over three years. Revenues from the tax would yield an estimated $5.9 billion.

The tobacco lobby is formidable on Capitol Hill. Since 1983, Philip Morris Inc. has contributed $1.9 million in PAC money to lawmakers, FEC reports show. R.J. Reynolds, now part of RJR Nabisco, contributed $1.1 million during that period and the Tobacco Institute, the companies' trade group, donated $760,000 to lawmakers.

Among spirits interests, the National Beer Wholesalers Association has contributed $1.3 million to lawmakers since 1983, while Joseph E. Seagram & Sons Inc., producers of distilled products, has funneled $572, 000 to lawmakers.

While tobacco and spirits producers have killed numerous attempts to levy higher taxes on their products, representatives of those groups acknowledge that severe deficit figures would almost certainly mean higher taxes.

''I think that when it became clear to everyone that (Congress was) going to have to make tax and spending cuts, we knew that there were going to be taxes '' said Brennan Dawson, spokeswoman for the Tobacco Institute.

Former Connecticut Rep. Ronald Sarasin, who is director of the National Beer Wholesalers Association, said beer producers have always opposed excise taxes, which any budget agreement would likely contain.

But, he added, ''We're willing to carry our share of the burden.''

The original agreement that was defeated in the House on Friday would have raised $10 billion from alcohol sales. It would have doubled the beer tax to about 32 cents per six-pack, increased taxes on wine from 3 cents to 24 cents a bottle and raised liquor taxes $1.20, to $13.70 a gallon.

Despite the sharp increases, Rep. Timothy Penny, D-Minn., said before the vote ''I think compared with what could have happened (the tobacco and spirits lobby is) walking away from this feeling that they have dodged a bullet.''

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#90278u1534 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 5) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $22 to $26 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.05 cent to 0.50 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.50 to 1.70 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.05 cent to 0.91 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.20 to $1.30 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $4.50 to $5.20 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.55 cent higher to 0.40 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 0.1 to 0.2 cent an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.002 to 0.012 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90278u1539 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 5) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Slightly lower in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Slightly lower in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed broadly higher in brisk trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in slow trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed down 2 1/2 to up 1/2, soybeans up 1/4 to down 1 3/4, wheat off 3/4 to 1 1/2 and oats up 1 1/2 to 2.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90278u1552 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 5) UPI - German deputies today ratified an agreement that will grant full sovereignty to unified Germany. Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher called the agreement between the two German states and the four victorious World War Two Allies the ''most important treaty of the post- war period.'' He says it opens the path to Germany unification. He added that united Germany will NOT abuse its independence to regain power, but to work responsibly for peace and security in Europe.

The power struggle between Yugoslavia's government and Slovenia, its most liberal and economically advanced republic, is heating up. The staff members of Slovenia's military reserve force moved out of their headquarters to evade a federally ordered takeover by the Yugoslav Army. The republic's president issued a protest to Yugoslavia's eight-man federal presidency, denouncing the army's action as a ''provocation.''

#90278u1566 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.00

60 to 89 days 7.84

90 to 119 days 7.85

120 to 149 days 7.75

150 to 179 days 7.69

180 to 270 days 7.62

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.00 - 7.65

Issuers 30 days 8.02

Issuers 90 days 7.70

Issuers 270 days 7.45

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.09

60 to 89 days 8.05

90 to 119 days 8.10

120 to 149 days 8.04

150 to 179 days 8.04

180 days 8.04

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

1 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

3 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

6 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

Year 8.125 - 8.25

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.04 - 7.02

6 months 7.08 - 7.06

Year 7.02 - 7.00

Federal Funds: High 8 1/4, Low 8, Close 8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.797 off 0.001.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90278u1570 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 5) UPI - Charles H. Keating Jr., the former owner of failed Lincoln Savings and Loan, pleaded innocent Friday to securities fraud charges stemming from the sale of $250 million of now-worthless junk bonds.

''Absolutely not guilty,'' Keating replied defiantly in a loud, clear voice when asked to enter his plea at an arraignment in Superior Court before Judge Gary Klausner.

Keating, 66, is accused in a 42-count state grand jury indictment of lying to regulators and duping more than 22,000 investors into buying the high-risk uninsured bonds. His three co-defendants also all pleaded innocent.

The charges are the first criminal counts filed in connection with the collapse of Lincoln Savings, which will cost taxpayers more than $2 billion to bail out, making it the most expensive thrift failure on record.

Lincoln Savings was seized by federal regulators in April 1989, one day after its parent company, American Continental Corp. in Phoenix, filed for bankruptcy protection.

Keating, whose role in the thrift's failure has come to symbolize the nation's savings and loan scandal, seemed confident but nevertheless appeared gaunt at the 15-minute proceeding.

Keating, who claims he is a pauper, has been held in Los Angeles County Jail in a 6-by-8-foot cell since Sept. 18 in lieu of $5 million bail. So far, he has failed to get the bail lowered, his appeals now before the state Supreme Court.

After the hearing, Keating attorney Stephen Neal, in response to questions about Keating's state of mind, said, ''He is looking forward to the opportunity to have a full, fair trial and looking forward to vindication.''

Klausner ordered Keating and the others to appear on Oct. 15 before Judge Lance Ito for trial-setting.

Neal, meanwhile, railed against the court for refusing to lower his client's bail, saying Keating's rights to prepare for this case have been violated.

Keating's attorneys, in seeking a lower bail, have insisted that he is broke. His accountant told the court last month that Keating, who once had assets of nearly $40 million, is now more than $5 million in the red.

In court, Klausner refused to rule on a defense motion to keep the transcript of the grand jury proceedings sealed and said Judge Ito should rule on the issue. He then said the transcript, consisting of 4, 500 pages, will remain sealed for the next 20 days.

Keating's three co-defendants in the case are Judy Wischer, 42, American Continental's former president; former Lincoln president Ray Fidel, 32, and former Lincoln chief executive officer Robin Symes, 37.

The trio was arrested along with Keating but released after less than a week in jail after the judge agreed to cut bail from $1 million each to $200,000 for Wischer and $100,000 for Fidel and Symes.

Keating and the others allegedly victimized investors who bought American Continental bonds through Lincoln's 29 Southern California branches in 1987 and 1988. Although thousands of investors bought the bonds, the indictments focus on 20 victims who lost between $50,000 and $100,000 each.

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#90278u1578 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1082.0
Thursday	1086.0
Week ago	1087.6
Month ago	1105.0
Year ago	1108.2
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90278u1613 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (OCT. 5) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.58-2.63 off 1 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.09- 6.17 unchanged.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.16-2.28 off 2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.28-2.33 off 2.

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#90278u1650 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2510.64	off	6.19
20 Trans	866.31	off	2.96
15 Utils	205.42	up	0.50
65 Stocks	881.48	off	1.61

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#90278u1656 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.17	up 0.06
10 Public Utils	90.63	up 0.08
10 Industrials	87.71	up 0.03

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#90278u1679 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	63 1-8	up 1-8
AT&T Company	31 3-4	off 1-2
BCE Inc	30 1-2	off 1-2
Bell Atlantic	48	off 1-8
BellSouth Corp	52 3-8	off 1-8
Exxon Corp	49 7-8	off 1-2
Ford Motor Co	32 3-4	up 3-4
Genl Electric	54 1-4	off 1-8
General Motors	37 1-8	up 1 1-2
GTE Corp	28	up 1-8
IBM Corp	108 1-4	up 3-8
Mobil Oil Corp	61 1-8	off 1 1-4
Nynex Corp	72 5-8	up 3-4
Pac Gas & Elec	22 3-8	unch
Pacific Telesis	42 3-4	off 3-8
Phila Electric	15 3-4	off 1-8
Sears Roebuck	24 7-8	off 1 1-8
Southern Co	24 7-8	up 1-8
Sthwestern Bell	53 3-8	off 1-8
US West Inc	35 5-8	off 1-2

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#90278u1695 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks	-	153,380,000 shares
1990 to date	-	30,560,967,482
Warrants	-	1,216,200
1990 to date	-	191,518,400

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#90278u1697 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 5) UPI - White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says he's confident that the House will be able to reach agreement on a budget package. Early this morning, the House overwhelmingly defeated a compromise budget plan. President Bush called on Congress to enact a new budget agreement by midnight or face shutdown of the government.

The Pentagon says Iraq has the capability to produce a powerful propane gas bomb with a destructive effect similar to that of a small nuclear weapon. A report calls it a ''new type'' of explosive, but the Pentagon says the technology dates to World War Two and U-S forces used weapons like it in

Vietnam.

The State Department says it's planning to charter another Iraqi Airways jetliner next Wednesday to airlift American women and children out of Iraq and Kuwait. It will be the 10th major U-S evacuation flight. There are about 350 Americans in Kuwait and another 350 in Iraq. At least another 101 Americans are being held hostage in Iraq.

A federal judge in Washington today rejected a last-ditch bid by anti-nuclear activists to block tomorrow's launch of the shuttle Discovery. That clears the way for firing of the nuclear-powered Ulysses probe to the sun. In Florida, a handful of activists staged an anti- launch demonstration at the Kennedy Space Center. .

NASA managers say they see NO major damage aboard the space shuttle Atlantis from a 70-pound beam that banged through the ship's cramped engine room on Wednesday. Officials say the damage identified so far can be fixed in routine launch processing. And they say Atlantis still will be on track for lift-off around November 7th on a secret military mission.

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#90278u1704 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 5) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index 170.70 off 0.63

ASE Market Value Index 306.48 off 1.66

Dow-Jones Industrial 2510.64 off 6.19

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#90278u1706 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks - 12,240,000 shares

1990 to date - 2,685,499,585

Bonds - $2,830,000

1990 to date - $551,384,000

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#90278u1711 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 308.15, low 305.20, close 306.48, off 1.66.

There was a loss of 5 cents in the average share price.

Volume 12,240,000 shares, compared with 9, 440,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	2
New Lows	66
Advances	180
Declines	339
Unchanged	237
Total Issues	756

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#90278u1713 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 5) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Friday	-	9,009,000
1990 to date	-	1,935,874,000

The market closed lower.

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#90278u1716 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	306.48	off	1.66
High Technology	294.62	off	1.89
Capital Goods	321.28	off	2.20
Consumer Goods	367.00	off	1.21
Service	676.70	up	1.21
Retail	841.73	off	19.48
Financial	356.81	off	2.18
Natural Resources	242.47	off	1.71
Housing-Const-Land	291.01	off	3.91

There was a loss of 5 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS			
New England	393.44	up	2.10
Mid Atlantic	395.37	off	3.34
No Central	382.82	off	5.92
So Atlantic	839.31	off	11.65
So Central	302.10	off	0.54
Mountain	110.31	off	1.46
Pacific	341.15	off	1.27
Foreign	238.21	off	0.93

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#90278u1723 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 5) UPI - A prison revolt in India left at least nine inmates dead and 200 others injured. Officials at the maximum-security jail say about 15-hundred inmates rampaged through the prison... in a revolt that erupted after the death of an inmate last night. Prison guards shot dead at least nine

inmates.

Police in Detroit say a 50-year-old man is in custody... after a fire possibly set by an arsonist raced through an apartment building for senior citizens today. Five people were killed and about 15 were injured in the blaze. Officials say the Majestic Manor building had NO fire escape or sprinklers.

U-S Customs officials at the Otay Mesa, California, border crossing say drug enforcement agents seized nearly four tons of cocaine found stacked inside a propane tanker truck returning from Mexico. Officials say the cocaine... which had a street value of more than 262-Million dollars... was ''stacked to the gills'' inside the cylindrical tank.

Hurricane Klaus swirled in place today with 80-mile-an-hour winds. At last report, Klaus was 30 miles east-northeast of Antigua in the Leeward Islands, part of the West Indies. Another storm, Hurricane Josephine, packed 75-mile-an-hour winds as it meandered through the north Atlantic toward the Azores.

The southern region of New Zealand's North Island was shaken by a moderate earthquake today. But officials at the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research in Wellington report NO major damage or injuries. The quake measured five-point-three on the Richter scale and was centered near Cape Palliser, 30 miles southeast of Wellington.

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#90278u1729 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Hanson PLC	3,290,400	19 3/4	up 3/4
Philip Morris	2,366,500	47 3/4	off 1/4
Waste Mangment	2,095,900	32	off 1/8
RJR Nab pf wi	2,084,000	19 1/4	off 1/2
Unisys Corp	1,995,700	3 5/8	unch
Genl Electric	1,959,900	54 1/4	off 1/8
Wal-Mart Strs	1,959,400	26 3/4	off 3/4
IBM Corp	1,572,000	108 1/4	up 3/8
Citicorp	1,498,200	14 1/8	up 1/4
Pub Serv Colo	1,446,900	20 1/2	up 1/8
PepsiCo Inc	1,397,200	24 1/4	off 1/2
Chase Manhtan	1,338,000	12 3/4	up 7/8
Glaxo Holding	1,330,500	32 1/2	up 1 3/4
Boeing Co	1,327,300	43 1/2	up 1/2
BankAmerica	1,235,100	20 3/8	up 1/2

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#90278u1735 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
ENSCO	925,800	3 5/8	up 1/8
Dow Chem rt	600,900	7	unch
Salomon p wt Mar	540,500	4 3/8	off 1/2
Continental Air	537,600	4 1/8	up 1/4
Salomon p wt May	504,300	3 1/4	off 7/8
Denmark K wt	490,800	19 5/8	off 3/4
Carnival Cruise	361,200	11 3/8	off 5/8
Paine W Gr wtB	329,500	9 1/8	off 1/2
Jan Bell Mrktng	308,400	7 3/8	off 1/4
BAT Indus	275,400	11 3/4	up 15-16

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#90278u1746 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941- 43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	370.84	360.22	367.02	off 1.40
20 Trans	220.53	214.19	218.95	off 0.44
40 Utils	137.35	133.71	136.51	up 0.04
40 Fncl	21.32	20.53	20.79	off 0.27
500 Stocks	314.79	305.76	311.50	off 1.19

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#90278u1749 10/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Friday.

Stock		$Volume	Close	Chg.
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	88,326,832	42 3/4	up 2 7/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	68,554,048	64 3/4	up 5/8
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	54,628,176	62	off 7/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	40,737,260	32 7/8	up 5/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	38,144,572	32 1/4	up 1/2
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	33,022,602	18 1/4	off 3/4
Liz Claiborne	(LIZC)	27,111,144	23 3/8	off 5/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	26,631,394	44 3/4	unch
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	24,802,892	28	unch
St. Paul Cos	(STPL)	23,593,668	48 1/2	off 3 1/4

Composite Index 152.06 off 1.12

NMS volume 86,133,304 shares.

Advances	580
Declines	910
Unchanged	1,312
Total	2,802

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#90278u1752 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Friday	367.02	218.95	136.51	20.79	311.50
Thursday	368.42	219.39	136.47	21.06	312.69
Week ago	360.47	214.09	133.02	20.87	306.05
Month ago	382.65	232.12	129.68	24.03	323.40
Year ago	409.22	325.63	145.15	35.16	358.78
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	355.10	213.23	124.60	19.88	300.97

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#90278u1764 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 5) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5900	up 50
Signal Cos pf	10 7/8	off 25 1/8
CapCiti/ABC	479 1/2	off 5 1/2
Travelers	16 3/8	off 4 3/8
British Tel	55 1/8	up 4 1/8
Racal Telecom	52 1/2	up 4
Aetna Life	33 5/8	off 3 3/4
UNUM Corp	35 7/8	off 3 3/4
Impperial Chem	69 1/4	up 3 3/4
Pioneer Elec	70	up 3 1/2
British Gas	44 1/4	up 2 7/8

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#90278u1766 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending October 5:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	371.05	367.02	367.02	up 6.55
20 Trans	224.15	218.95	218.95	up 4.86
40 Utils	137.39	134.94	136.51	up 3.49
40 Fncl	21.59	20.79	20.79	off 0.08
500 Stock	315.21	311.40	311.50	up 5.45

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#90278u1768 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending October 5.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	89.05	89.17	89.05	89.17	up 0.40
10 Utils	90.55	90.80	90.55	90.63	up 0.45
10 Indus	87.56	87.71	87.43	87.71	up 0.35

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#90278u1769 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended October 5.

	30 Indus			20 Transp			15 Utils		
Monday	2515.84	up	63.36	873.15	up	31.80	203.35	up	4.78
Tuesday	2505.20	off	10.64	894.79	up	21.64	202.78	off	0.57
Wednesday	2489.36	off	15.84	882.77	off	12.02	202.46	off	0.32
Thursday	2516.83	up	27.47	869.27	off	13.50	204.92	up	2.46
Friday	2510.64	off	6.19	866.31	off	2.96	205.42	up	0.50
Net Change		up	58.16		up	24.96		up	6.85

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(OCT. 5) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	223.00	230.00	227.85	229.25	227.85
Mar	....	....	....	230.35	231.60
Jun	....	....	....	233.25	234.60

Previous day volume: 99 contracts.
Open interest: 1,163 off 19

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	310.30	318.30	308.20	314.85	315.30
Mar	313.00	320.80	311.00	317.40	318.00
Jun	....	323.60	314.50	320.40	321.30

Today's estimated volume: 60,154 contracts.
Open interest: 150,186 off 707

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	169.65	174.25	168.30	172.05	172.65
Mar	171.05	174.60	170.20	173.45	174.05
Jun	172.50	172.60	172.50	174.85	174.45

Open interest: 5,491 up 225

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	518.50	530.50	512.00	524.25	524.75
Nov	515.75	529.50	512.80	524.00	524.85
Dec	517.90	531.50	515.00	526.35	526.90

Estimated volume 3,530 contracts.
Open interest: 8,289 up 448

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2472.03	2544.55	2453.47	2510.64	off 6.19
20 Trans	855.40	883.88	843.20	866.31	off 2.96
15 Utils	202.78	206.55	201.90	205.42	up 0.50
65 Stock	868.96	893.66	861.41	881.48	off 1.61

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	20,275,200	19,580,700
Trans	2,632,700	2,423,300
Utils	2,433,300	2,322,500
65 Stock	25,341,200	24,326,500

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.

20 Bonds	89.17	up	0.06
10 Public Utils	90.63	up	0.08
10 Industrials	87.71	up	0.03

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 130.60 off 0.23.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - In Zanesville, Ohio, Jan Mercer and her co-workers worry every day now - worry about their own jobs and worry about their programs to help the blind.

Mercer, a mother of two young children, is a word processing specialist for the state Bureau of Services for the Visually Impaired and she is living with the prospects of draconian cuts in federal spending because of the failure of Congress and the administration to agree on a federal budget.

''It's the talk of the smoking table down the hall,'' Mercer said. ''A lot of our programs use federal money. It's all matching monies.

''You're just worried down the road, that if the government doesn't fund our program, you might not have a job in a few years,'' she said. ''When it comes to cuts (the federal government) worries about the big items like education and forgets smaller problems like the blind and the mentally retarded.''

Under a worst case scenario, services affecting virtually every American would be affected if Congress and President Bush fail to adopt a budget for the 1991 fiscal year.

-Meat inspectors would be laid off, automatically closing slughterhouses and processing plants.

-Farmers would lose crop loans and payments.

-Treatment slots for 30,000 drug addicts would be slashed.

-The Food and Drug Administration would have to curtail inspections of such items as blood and review of new drug applications would be delayed.

-Vaccinations for 1.6 million children and lead poisoning screening for 22,00 children would be eliminated.

-Up to 6,000 airline flights could be canceled because air traffic controllers would be furloughed.

-Weather stations would shut down from 6 p.m. until 6 a.m.

-Amtrak rail service would try to go on, but a lengthy impasse on the budget would mean closing some routes.

-Health and safety inspections in the workplace and in mines would be affected.

-Student loans would be delayed.

-In-patient and out-patient care at veterans hsopitals would be curbed.

-Federal court proceedings could be postponed, leading to release of prisoners under the Speedy Trial Act.

-Enviromental cleanup and safety initiatives would be disrupted.

Some of the impact could be softened if President Bush declares certain programs - air traffic controllers and meat inspections are most frequently mentioned - as essential services and therefore exempt.

Automatically exempt from sequestration are Social Security benfits, military personnel, veterans compensation and benefits.

With the administration and Congress unable to agree on a budget, 1.1 million federal employees face furloughs of varying lengths under a mandatory $106 billion reduction in federal spending.

And, if Congress fails to approve or Bush refuses to sign a stopgap resolution to fund the government, there will be no federal spending - except for the most essential services.

About 50 federal employees paraded around the White House, chanting ''furlough Bush'' and carrying placards reading, ''furlough politicians, not workers.''

Patrick Kirwan, a policy analyst with the International Trade Commission at the Commerce Department, lamented, ''Since I've been here less than five years I'll be one of the first to get furloughed. I'll be out on Monday.

''Up until now I've been putting the blame on the administration,'' he said. ''Now, my opinion has changed, and I blame Congress more than anyone else.

''Hopefully, in fighting back, the American people will throw the bums out,'' Kirwan said.

Maria Fisher, a secretary at the Treasury Department, who thinks ''I'll probably be furloughed,'' is angry that the budget negotiators ''were all joking about'' their secret sessions at Andrews Air Force Base in surburban Maryland.

''That made me angry because it's not a joke to us, the people working here,'' she said. ''I look at members of Congress as people who aren't affected by these decisions as much as the average American.''

Jan Mercer's boss, James Babb, area manager for the Ohio Rehabiliation Services Commission, turns the abstract figures of a spending cut into reality noting that a few of the agency's actities are 100 percent federally financed.

''Those people with severe disabilities who need independent living services are going to take the biggest cut,'' he said. ''These are people who are quadraplegic, visually impaired, a whole range of disabilities.

''They won't get the service,'' he said. ''In many cases that may mean they would have to go to a nursing home or be institutionalized.''

Still, people who work for the federal government and those who administer federal programs, all at the mercy of the of the nation's leaders in the Capital, keep on hoping.

''''I'm just waiting, like everybody else,'' a woman custodian at the Justice Department said. ''I hope they come through. I'm hoping for the ''ent s

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended October 5:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2474.26	2565.35	2446.53	2510.64	up 58.16
20 Trans	849.85	918.82	841.72	866.31	up 24.96
15 Utils	203.72	206.66	198.57	205.42	up 6.85
65 Stocks	899.96	906.66	857.07	881.48	up 23.34

20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

89.05 89.17 89.05 89.17 up 0.40

Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

129.60 131.31 129.60 130.60 off 0.61

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 5) UPI - A jury Friday acquitted an art gallery and its director of obscenity charges filed after they displayed an exhibit of works by controversial photographer Robert Mapplethorpe.

The jury deliberated about 3 1/2 hours before returning the verdicts in favor of the Contemporary Art Center and its director, Dennis Barrie.

They each had been charged with obscenity and with using a minor in nudity-oriented material for showing seven controversial Mapplethorpe photographs in an exhibit last spring.

The 175-picture show included five photographs depicting sadomasochistic homosexual acts and two of children with their genitals exposed.

The trial was the first in which an American museum was prosecuted on obscenity charges.

The verdicts came at the end of the second week of the trial in the courtroom of Municipal Judge David Albanese.

Mapplethorpe died of an AIDS-related illness in March 1989. The exhibit of his photographs drew 8,100 people last spring to the Contemporary Art Center. It was then shown in Boston, where it ended its run Friday.

In written testimony during the trial, the mother of a girl depicted in one of the pictures had said the image Mapplethorpe had taken of her daughter was charming and that she had given permission for it to be displayed.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - The 10 most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended October 5, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
ENSCO	3,709,600	3 3/4	3 1/2	3 5/8	off 1/8
Salomon wt Jan	3,314,800	21 3/8	18 1/2	18 3/4	off 2 3/8
Paine W Gr wtB	2,731,300	10 7/8	8 1/4	9 1/8	off 1 1/8
Denmark K wt	2,637,400	22 3/8	19 1/4	19 5/8	off 2 3/8
Carnival Cruise	1,906,100	13 7/8	11 1/4	11 3/8	off 1 1/8
Eksport wt	1,737,600	11	8 1/2	9 1/8	off 1 5/8
BAT Indus	1,572,600	11 3/4	10 5-16	11 3/4	up 1 3/4
Dow Chem rt	1,515,400	7 1/4	6 1/2	7	off 1/4
Continental Air	1,444,700	4 1/2	3 3/4	4 1/8	unch
Paine W Gr wtA	1,184,100	3 1/8	2 3/8	2 5/8	up 1/8

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(correcting NASDAQ-100 index)

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5,

1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	347.36	off	2.53	344.51	483.64
Industrial	370.10	off	2.05	368.66	469.44
Finance	343.99	off	2.81	340.34	566.42
Insurance	402.15	off	8.72	406.56	548.89
Utility	480.54	off	3.80	462.98	786.59
Bank	253.46	up	0.16	249.25	478.71
Transport	387.91	off	5.14	389.31	484.30

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 341.19

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 152.06 off 1.12

Industrial Index 146.21 off 0.79

NASDAQ-100 Index 356.73 off 2.26

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended October 5:

	High	Low	Close	Net change	
Composite	174.69	168.32	170.70	up	2.85
Industrial	217.60	209.72	212.67	up	3.48
Transportation	139.00	131.60	133.41	up	3.03
Utilities	87.76	84.79	86.54	up	2.13
Finance	115.48	110.71	111.32	up	0.54

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#90278u1805 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 5) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended October 5, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5900	up	25
Matsushita El	141	up	24
Kyocera Ltd	99	up	16
CapCiti/ABC	479 1/2	up	12 1/2
Sony Corp	52 3/4	up	12 1/8
Hitachi Ltd	97 1/4	up	11 3/4
Racal Telecom	52 1/2	up	8 3/4

Imperial Chem	69 1/4	up	8 5/8
Pioneer Elec	70	up	8
Kubota Ltd	98 1/2	up	7 1/2
Ingrsoll-Rand	33 1/4	off	7 1/4
Procter Gamble	79 1/8	up	6 1/4
TDK Corp	42 1/2	up	6 1/4
Monarch Cap pfA	25	off	6
Natl Westminstr	31 3/4	up	6

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended October 5:

High	Low	Last	Net change
310.17	306.48	306.48	off 1.14

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - A deadly combination of civil war, drought and a government that is described by U.S. officials as ''the Khmers Rouges of Africa'' means that as many as 6 million people in Sudan face death by starvation, senior administration officials said Friday.

The officials confirmed reports that 4 million to 5 million Sudanese people displaced by war and another 1 million refugees from Ethiopia are already facing famine conditions that will grow dramatically worse by the beginning of 1991.

The tragic irony, as the officials described it, is that the food is available in Sudan or nearby but the Sudanese government has forbidden U.S. and U.N. mercy flights from carrying available food to refugee centers.

Another 25,000 metric tons of wheat flour was on its way to Sudan where it was to be sold by the United States, but that was diverted by U.S. authorities when the Sudanese government began bombing refugee centers in the southern part of the country.

The bombing, as the officials described it, was as inept as most of the other actions by the Sudanese government, which is now dominated by an Islamic fundamentalist party known as the NIF.

The Sudanese ''bombers'' are old Soviet-made cargo planes. The 500- pound bombs are simply kicked out of the cargo door, and since the planes fly at 20,000 feet and higher the chances of hitting targets are slim.

Far more effective is the Sudanese refusal to let relief planes fly food into

the refugee centers. Since the Sudanese army has SA-7 Soviet- made heat-seeking anti-aircraft missiles, the relief planes are not able to fly the existing food supplies to the people who need it.

One senior administration official said, ''As far as I am concerned they are the Khmers Rouges of Africa,'' comparing them to the murderous communist group in Cambodia that killed more than 1 milllion people in a political bloodbath after taking over the country in 1975.

Because of human rights abuses and the failure of the Sudanese government to keep humanitarian food supplies out of the hands of its army, the U.S. government has withdrawn $140 million in aid that was supposed to go for development projects in Sudan.

According to a ''Famine Early Warning Bulletin'' issued by the U.S. Agency for International Development, some 12 million people in Sudan and Ethiopia are at risk of starvation in the next few months.

One senior U.S. official said, ''The Sudanese government doesn't care. They think that the relief operations are feeding the enemy.''

It is estimated that Sudan alone needs 1 million tons of food supplies, but no shipments have been moving because of the Sudanese military orders.

One food relief train has been sitting on a siding in southern Sudan for 13 months, filled with grain, but unable to move because the local commander refuses to give permission for it to move.

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#90278u1815 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 5) UPI - Iraq said it released four Germans Friday as a gesture of good will in honor of German reunification, but an Iraqi official veered away from his country's recent soft-line on the crisis and stressed Iraq will keep Kuwait.

Iraqi Presdident Saddam Hussein met in Baghdad with Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov, who reportedly gave him a message from President Mikhael Gorbachev that other Mideast problems could be solved if Iraq withdraws from Kuwait.

Saddam, who announced early in the week his readiness to discuss a French peace proposal for the immediate withdrawal from Kuwait, appeared to back up his call for peace by releasing nine French hostages and 100 Brazilians.

A spokesman for the German foreign ministry in Bonn confirmed Friday that four Germans had been allowed to leave Iraq, apparently after talks in Baghdad between former East German deputy Brigitta Koegler and Iraqi officials.

''Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has allowed four German guests to leave or stay to mark German reunification,'' the state-owned radio said.

Some 400 Germans still remain in Iraqi custody, and about 73 of them are held in strategically important economic and military sites, German officials said. Iraq is holding some 5,000 Western hostages as human shields against possible attack by U.S.-led forces in the Persian Gulf region.

Egypt's official Middle East News Agency said Primakov, the Soviet envoy, delivered a message from Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to Saddam and that the two discussed the chilled relations between their countries.

The Soviet Union, formerly Iraq's largest supplier of arms, has not joined the U.S.-led multinational military force but has supported U.N. resolutions to force Iraq out of Kuwait through economic sanctions.

Soviet sources said Primakov emphasized the need for a peaceful settlement to the crisis and explained to Saddam the Soviet position. They said the two also discussed the possible departure of about 5,000 Soviets in Iraq, several hundred of whom were serving as military advisers.

There was no indication Friday that Saddam was ready to allow the Soviets to return home.

Iraqi Deputy Premier Taha Yassin Ramadan gave no sign of a softer line when he told Iraq's official news agency Friday that his country was willing to establish peace in the region on condition that its right to remain in Kuwait is not questioned and Israel withdraws from the West Bank and Gaza Strip, Syria's Golan Heights and its self-declared security zone in south Lebanon.

The statement by Ramadan, who had welcomed the French peace proposal during talks in Amman with Japanese Premier Toshiki Kaifu, indicated Saddam sees the French initiative as a jumping-off point to more negotiations, rather than a hard-and-fast plan.

French President Francois Mitterrand proposed in a speech to the United Nations last week that the 2-month-old crisis be settled by a complete Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, free elections for the emirate and a comprehensive attempt to solve the Palestinian problem.

Some anaylsts have suggested Saddam likes the French plan because by linking the occupation of Kuwait with the Palestinian problem, he may emerge from the crisis as a hero to many in the Arab world.

British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd again tied the crisis to the Arab-Israeli conflict, saying that once Iraq is driven out of Kuwait an international conference should be called to discuss a homeland for Palestinians.

''New initiatives over Palestine can only take place once Saddam Hussein has been driven out of Kuwait,'' Hurd said in a speech to the Diplomatic and Commonwealth Writers' Association.

''I can see no hope of progress until that has happened. Anyone with a sense of humanity must sympathize with the Palestinians.''

Egypt's leading newspaper Al Ahram reported Saturday that 33 suspected Iraqi and Palestinian terrorists have been arrested on charges of planning acts of subversion for Cairo's opposition to the invasion of Kuwait.

The newspaper quoted Egypt's security chief, Major General Nabil Osman, as saying that four of the Palestinians arrested were members of the radical group of Abu Nidal, the world's most-wanted Palestinian terrorist.

President Hosni Mubarak said Thursday his security services had arrested an undisclosed number of pro-Iraqi Arabs suspected of terrorist activities and warned thousands of Palestinians residing in Egypt not to cooperate with Iraqi terrorists or risk dire consequences.

In the United States, the Bush administration prepared to evacuate more Americans from Kuwait Oct. 10. A chartered jet will carry the Americans, mostly women and children, from Kuwait to Baghdad, London and then Raleigh, N.C. They are scheduled to reach Raleigh on the afternoon of Oct. 11, the State Depapartment said.

The Voice Of America reported Friday that an American frigate had intercepted a Sudanese cargo vessel and asked it to change course because it was believed to be carrying industrial equipment to Iraq. Warships in the Persian Gulf have intercepted more than 1,000 ships in past weeks.

In the United Arab Emirates, Spainish Crown Prince Felipe de Borbon y Borbon was scheduled to visit Abu Dhabi late Friday for talks with UAE leaders and to inspect Spanish forces in the region. Prince Felipe was to be accompanied by Spanish Defense Minister Narcis Serra and other officials.

The Pentagon, responding to a report in the Los Angeles Times, said Iraq can make a powerful propane gas bomb with a blast that can reach for miles, but Air Force spokesman Capt. Sam Grizzle emphasized, ''This is not a new secret weapon.''

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GENEVA (OCT. 5) UPI - The International Organization for Migration said Friday it has moved 73,520 refugees from Iraq and occupied Kuwait out of camps in Jordan, Turkey, Iran and Saudi Arabia during the past month.

Another further 37,126 refugees are expected to be repatriated to their homelands, mostly in the Far East, between Oct. 4 and Oct. 15, a spokesman for the organization said.

The spokesman said the organization, which has received some $60 million so far to fund the airlift, hopes to be able to maintain the flow at around 10,000 persons a day but said it is running out of money.

The non-governmental organization affiliated with but not part of the United Nations transported 73,520 refugees between Sept. 3 and Oct. 3 from Iraq and Kuwait. Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2 and subsequently annexed it.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - Largest net changes among AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended October 5, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Bankers Trs wt	52	off 5 3/8
Ford Canada	115	off 5
Americus PG sc	31 1/8	up 4 1/8
Forest City B	21	off 4
Americus ARC ut	131 1/4	off 4
Alza Corp ut	34 1/2	up 3 7/8
Americus DOW pr	40 1/4	up 3 3/4
Americus GE ut	55 3/4	up 3 3/4
Tel & Data Sytm	25 5/8	up 3 1/2
Brown Forman B	61 3/4	up 3 1/4

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	171.79	168.84	170.70	off 0.63
Industrial	213.69	210.24	212.67	off 0.77
Transport	134.33	132.12	133.41	off 0.75
Utility	86.68	85.51	86.54	off 0.09
Finance	112.46	110.71	111.32	off 0.91

Equivalent to a loss of 11 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 000,000,000 shares.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	2
New lows	66

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	180	2,981,300
Declines	339	5,956,200
Unchanged	237	3,302,500
Total	756	12,240,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	4	12	5
New lows	175	150	427

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	585	57,355,500
Declines	914	79,998,500
Unchanged	453	16,026,000
Total	1,952	153,380,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Stock exchange sales for the week ended October 5.

New York Stock Exchange: Stocks - 824, 934,860 shares, compared with 857,508,870 a week earlier and with 855,366,370 the year before. Warrants - 5,421,300 compared with 4,307,500 a week earlier and with 4,054,700 the year before. Bonds - $206,492,000 compared with $184,392,000 a week earlier and with $169,622,000 the year before.

American Stock Exchange: Stocks - 66,455, 115 shares, compared with 76,270,010 a week earlier and with 73,452,245 the year before. Bonds - $13,753,000 compared with $16,976, 000 a week earlier and with $14,171,000 the year before.

Midwest Stock Exchange: Stocks - 48,960, 000 shares, compared with 50,768,000

a week earlier and with 63,586,000 the year before.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Friday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	109,639,404
Advances	704
Declines	1,117
Unchanged	2,419
Total	4,240

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended October 5 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	202,222,110	162,212,960	1,459,400	664, 300
Tuesday	188,416,800	155,943,590	1,351,700	749, 500
Wednesday	135,492,560	155,619,990	675,300	760,200
Thursday	145,411,530	182,694,970	718,700	849, 700
Friday	153,391,860	201,037,360	1,216,200	1,283, 800
Total	824,934,860	857,508,870	5,421,300	4,307, 500

	Bonds	
	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 31,113,000	$ 37,274,000
Tuesday	$ 39,423,000	$ 36,269,000
Wednesday	$ 52,430,000	$ 31,854,000
Thursday	$ 34,385,000	$ 35,910,000
Friday	$ 49,141,000	$ 43,085,000
Total	$206,492,000	$184,392,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	349.81	343.08	347.36	off 2.53
Industrial	372.33	363.97	370.10	off 2.05
Finance	345.60	342.26	343.99	off 2.81

Insurance	409.95	401.65	402.15	off 8.72
Utility	488.02	473.12	480.54	off 3.80
Bank	254.67	251.37	253.46	up 0.16
Transport	391.33	385.54	387.91	off 5.14

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (9-27) 341.19

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	152.06 off 1.12
Industrial Index	146.20 off 0.80
NASDAQ-100 Index	356.73 off 2.26

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share	7.89 off 0.06
Volume	86,133,304 shares
Advances	580
Declines	910
Unchanged	1,312
Total	2,802

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#90278u1870 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Stocks closed broadly lower Friday in moderate trading after the Dow industrials recovered virtually all of an early plunge tied to the House's defeat of compromise legislation aimed at reducing the size of the federal buget deficit.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 27.47 Thursday, lost 6.19 to close at 2510.64 after having bottomed out with a loss of about 60 points shortly after the opening, triggering the exchange's rule curbing program selling.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 0.63 to 170.70 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index eased 1.19 to 311.50. The price of an average share lost 11 cents.

Like the Dow, the broad market recovered much of its early weakness. Declines led advances 903-589 among the 1,952 issues crossing the NYSE tape after having led by a margin of more than 10 to 1 in early trading. Big Board volume totaled 153,380,000 shares, up from 145,410,000 traded Thursday.

The House, under strong public pressure, defeated the deficit-cutting package by an overwhelming 254-179 vote early Friday morning.

An unpalatable mix of taxes and spending cuts - including higher charges for Medicare recipients - doomed the compromise reached between administration and

congressional negotiators that President Bush announced last Sunday with great fanfare.

The Hose vote sent prices plunging from the opening, with a 60-point loss after about 15 minutes of trading. But the Dow then rebounded, eventually retracing almost all 60 points as investors were heartened by renewed efforts to get a budget passed.

''The market tanked this morning on the news that the agreement fell apart but rose on chatter that they would work through the weekend to work something out and it looks like they will,'' said Jeff Kaminsky, head of institutional sales trading at Mabon, Nugent & Co.

Late Friday, Bush said he would not sign another stop-gap spending bill and appealed to Congress to enact a budget agreement by midnight Friday or face a shutdown of the federal government.

With the specter of a government closed down except for essential services, the administration and Congress launched a frenzied drive to come up with a substitute plan.

Meanwhile, House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., met with key Republican and Democratic leaders to consider another temporary spending bill. He told reporters he would seek passage of the stop-gap measure by midnight.

Kaminsky said the Dow also was helped in its recovery by the Bank of England's full-point cut in the central bank's prime rate, which was a necessary component of Britain's entry into the European Monetary System's exchange rate mechanism.Both moves were announced Friday.

The move is considered both a boon to British business and a major step towards European monetary union.

On the trading floor, Hanson PLC was the most active issue, up 3/4 to 19 3/4.

Philip Morris followed, down 1/4 to 47 3/4. Waste Management was third, off 1/8 to 32.

The new issue of RJR Nabisco convertible preferred stock was next, down 1/2 to 19 1/4.

Among other blue chips, AT&T lost 1/2 to 31 3/4, American Express fell 3/8 to 20 5/8 and Sears fell 1 to 25, while IBM rose 3/8 to 108 1/4, Coca-Cola gained 1/2 to 42 1/4 and General Motors gained 1 to 37.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 186,447,570 shares, compared with 176,027,490 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index lost 1.66 to 306.48. Declines led advances 339-178 among the 757 issues traded. The price of an average share fell 5 cents. Composite volume totaled 14,079,140 shares, up from 11,118,800 traded Thursday.

Energy Service led the Amex issues, up 1/8 to 3 5/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 2.53 to 347.36.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Oct 5, 1990	12	267	389	433	166	988
Oct 28, 1990	32	392	193	664	152	1009
Oct 6, 1989	115	55	461	342	199	1002

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(OCT. 5) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Oct 5, 1990	37	482	1140	792	227	2159
Oct 28, 1990	24	948	448	1496	210	2154
Oct 6, 1989	307	75	1166	697	287	2150
Oct 7, 1988	100	67	1155	719	276	2150

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Afffliated Fund 9.06 9.72

Anchor Fund Inv	14.14	15.00
Delaware Mutual	16.54	17.74
Fidelity Fund	16.01	16.01
Investors Mutual	10.56	11.12
Investors Stocks	17.66	18.59
Investors Select	8.31	8.75

IDS Equity Plus	8.60	9.05
Mass Inv Growth	7.79	8.40
Nicholas Fund	3.19	3.19
United Accumulated	6.04	6.60
United Income	16.17	17.67
Vanguard Wellington	15.81	15.81

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - The top Soviet military official stressed Friday that the Persian Gulf crisis should be resolved by political means and expressed doubt Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would go to war against the world.

Gen. Mikhail Moiseyev, chairman of the general staff, also said the rapid withdrawal of Soviet armored forces from Eastern Europe in advance of a treaty with the United States on reducing conventional forces did not mean his nation is stockpiling weapons for future offensives.

Gen. Colin Powell, Moiseyev's U.S. counterpart as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said he was ''reassured'' by the Soviet general's explanations and that U.S. concerns that the Soviet might be trying to cheat on a weapons count before the treaty is complete had been eased.

He said Moiseyev had told him that the equipment being withdrawn will be used to modernize forces east of the Ural Mountains and that older weapons being replaced may be destroyed.

''We have no plans to store or mothball large amounts of equipment'' or to ''dream up'' new uses for it, Moiseyev told a news conference at the Pentagon. It culminated a six-day tour of U.S. military installations and cities with Powell, who will make a similar visit to the Soviet Union next year.

The two generals, both in uniform, appeared comfortable together. Powell escorted Moiseyev on a cross-country tour of seven sites that stretched from New York City to San Francisco, with NORAD headquarters in Wyoming in between.

A powerful symbol of the Cold War, the North American Air Defense Command is buried in Cheyenne Mountain and its purpose is to detect a nuclear missile or air attack against the United States.

The Russian is scheduled to visit Cuba after leaving Washington.

Moiseyev emphasized several times, in accord with his government's stated policy, that a political, not a military, solution should be found to achieve an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2.

''I want to stress again: you've got to find a political settlement and not be thinking of military force,'' Moiseyev said.

More than 200,000 U.S. and allied forces, including more than 170,000 American military, are in the Persian Gulf region in a face-off against Iraq. A United Nations economic embargo has been imposed on Iraq to force Saddam out of Kuwait.

''The most important thing for all of us is not to allow a military conflict to develop out of this situation,'' Moiseyev said. ''We must seek a political solution.''

Later, he said, ''I really exclude the possibility that Saddam Hussein would take on and fight the rest of the world.''

Moiseyev said there were 206 Soviet advisers in Iraq, most specialists who have been training the Iraqis to use Soviet military equipment that has been transferred to Iraq. He said 77 of them will be withdrawn this month.

He said 146 of them were technical specialists, 42 were interpreters and 15 were management personnel - for a total of 203. There was no opportunity to ask for a clarification.

Pentagon officials have estimated that between 500 to 1,000 Soviet advisers are in Iraq.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Readers Digest	Q	.15	11-1	10-18
Schulman (A) Inc	Q	.08	10-31	10-22
Distribution				
BRNF Liquidating Tr	..	3.00	11-2	10-19
Usual				
Comstock Ptrs SFI	..	.0666	10-31	10-19
Health & Rehab PT	..	.29	11-27	10-15
Jefferson Bank	..	.05	11-1	10-19
Pentair Inc	Q	.22	11-12	10-26
Putnam Cap Preser IT	M	.088	10-25	10-15
Putnam Convtble I-GT	Q	.08	10-22	10-10
Putnam Diversified IT	M	.112	10-22	10-10

Putnam Hi Yld Trust	M	.13 1/2	10-25	10-15
Putnam Hi Yld Tr II	M	.10	10-25	10-15
Putnam Income Fund	M	.056	10-25	10-15
Templeton Global IFI	M	.07 1/2	10-31	10-17
Templeton Global Util	M	.06	10-31	10-17
US West Inc	Q	.50	11-1	10-19
West Mass Bankshares	..	.07	11-30	11-5

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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NEW YORK (OCT. 5) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 431.58, off 0.30 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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CAGAYAN DE ORO, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 5) UPI - Leaders of a two-day rebellion in the southern island of Mindanao surrendered Saturday, ending the seventh attempt to overthrow President Corazon Aquino, the armed forces chief said.

Gen. Renato de Villa said army Cols. Alexander Noble and Victor Erfe surrendered peacefully at 3 a.m. and were under the custody of Sen. Aquilino Pimentel.

De Villa said 240 rebels involved in the two-day rebellion had surrendered, and mop-up operations were being conducted in the cities of Butuan and Cagayan de Oro in Mindanao, 500 miles south of Manila.

''The pocket rebellion is over. We are now restoring order in these two cities '' de Villa said in a radio interview in Manila.

De Villa told hundreds of troops who escaped the government counterattack to surrender to their commanders, civilian officials or priest, saying ''it's useless to fight.''

Noble and an estimated 600 soldiers and militiamen captured garrisons in the two cities shortly after midnight Thursday and proclaimed Mindanao an independent federal state.

But officials said similar uprisings he expected in other parts of the country did not materialize and the plan to pull off a coup attempt in Manila fell apart.

By Friday evening, Noble appeared forlorn, completely backtracked on his grandiose plans for independence, and talked of negotiating an amnesty. He said his friends had deserted him.

The announcement that Erfe had surrendered came as a pleasant surprise to the Aquino government. Erfe was one of the key leaders of the six previous coup attempts against the Philippine president.

Noble and Erfe left Camp Evangelista and surrendered unconditionally to Pimentel at an undisclosed site in Cagayan de Oro. Pimentel told reporters local leaders and priests persuaded the two colonels to surrender.

Opposition politician Reuben Canoy, leader of the Mindanao Independence Movement Noble had adopted, escaped. De Villa urged Canoy to surrender or he would be pursued relentlessly.

Pimentel said he would fly Noble and Erfe to Manila later Saturday.

Noble was former deputy chief of Aquino's presidential guard. He had been the subject of a massive manhunt in Mindanao, but on Thursday came down from the hills with the Higa-onon tribes he had trained in the fight against communist insurgents and seized the cities without firing a shot.

De Villa said the government counterattacked Friday morning, sending two T-28 Tora Tora planes on bombing runs against the rebel-occupied base in Butuan. Witnesses said the planes made about a dozen bombing runs, sending hundreds of mutineers scampering away. De Villa said the only casualty was one wounded soldier. He said 40 mutineers surrendered.

Another 200 soldiers who were enraged by the bombing in Butuan and announced in the nearby industrial city of Iligan they were supporting Noble also surrendered at dawn, de Villa said. He said another 40 confronted government troops at a street in Iligan.

De Villa said troops entered the Butuan camp before dawn.

In Cagayan de Oro, de Villa said Noble's men did not offer resistance when elite Marine troops moved in shortly after midnight Friday. ''They were giving up in small groups. Thank God they did not fight,'' de Villa said.

Aquino had placed the 159,000-member armed forces on red alert - the maximum state of readiness - after Noble seized the garrisons and vowed to end the crisis swiftly.

''We will crush these pretenders, as we did before, for our people will never support their naked attempt to grab power,'' she said in a speech Friday to the annual Philippine Business Conference.

Aquino has survived six coup attempts. The worst challenge to her four-year rule, a bloody coup attempt in December, left 119 people dead and more than 500 wounded.

Businessmen have expressed fears of a recession in the cash-strapped country following a particularly difficult year. It was hit by a major earthquake, typhoons, bombings and finally the Persian Gulf crisis, which has forced Aquino to raise petroleum prices and triggered worker unrest.

Air and sea services to the area have been suspended since Thursday and schools and offices have remained closed.

Mindanao, the country's second-largest island, rich in minerals and timber and inhabited by a quarter of the 60 million Filipinos, has been wracked by a Moslem separatist insurgency for the past two decades. More than 50,000 people have died in the fighting.

Communist guerrillas battling Manila for 21 years also operate in northeastern Mindanao.

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(OCT. 6) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

Auto Racing

Davey Allison led from start to finish in a 40-lap qualifying race at Charlotte Motor Speedway to earn a starting position in Saturday's All Pro 300 Busch Series race.

Basketball

The Nuggets acquired forward Joe Wolf after the Los Angeles Clippers failed to match Denver's offer sheet. ... Alec Kessler, the Miami Heat's first-round draft choice, agreed to contract terms, but a routine physical detected a shinbone fracture that has kept the No. 12 pick from Georgia from reporting to training camp.

Boxing

More than 250 boxers representing 20 states will compete in the National Police Athletic League Championships Oct. 12 in Jersey City, N.J.

Drugs

New York Mets outfielder Mark Carreon is undergoing treatment for a substance-abuse problem at the Smithers Center for Alcohol and Drug Treatment

in New York. Carreon, sidelined with a season-ending injury Aug. 20, was admitted for treatment in late September and is about halfway through the standard 28-day program. ... Yugoslavian long jumper Borut Bilac, Soviet shot putter Vyachaslev Lyhko and javelin thrower Felicia Tilea of Romania failed drug tests at the recent European Track and Field Championships in Split, Yugoslavia. All three were suspended and Bilac and Lyhko were stripped of their bronze medals.

Games

On the next to last day of the Asian Games, China captured 15 gold medals, raising its total to 175. China's nearest rivals are South Korea (52) and Japan (38).

Golf

Germany's Bernhard Langer shot a 5-under-par 67 in the second round to take a two-stroke lead in the Mercedes-Benz Masters in Stuttgart, Germany.

Law

Wellesley, Mass., officials have rejected a proposal to resolve an incident in which police held Celtics rookie Dee Brown at gunpoint - a decision that has left the team's No. 1 draft pick considering a lawsuit. Police said they mistook Brown for a bank robbery suspect, and the police chief apologized at a town meeting. Black community leaders and many Wellesley residents claim Brown was targeted because he is black. ... NASCAR driver Ricky Rudd may sue The Charlotte Observer for wrongfully saying he was convicted of drunken driving. Rudd has never had a DWI conviction and rarely drinks.

Running

Ronnie Wong, a 44-year-old chef from Baltimore, won the Sri Chinmoy road race in New York, completing 1,177 miles within an 18-day limit. Christel Volmerhausen, 57, of Germany completed 1,119 miles to capture the women's title. Runners who finish complete the equivalent of three marathons a day.

Tennis

Boris Becker powered past Richey Reneberg and into the semifinals of the Australian Indoor Championships in Sydney. Becker will face Aussie teenager Todd Woodbridge, who defeated Grant Connell of Canada.

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BOGOTA, Colombia (OCT. 5) UPI - An influential group that includes two former presidents and a Catholic Church representative proposed Friday

negotiations with the Medellin cartel of cocaine traffickers believed to be holding seven kidnapped journalists.

The group offered its services as an intermediary between the cartel and the government to negotiate an agreement.

Signing the proposal were former presidents Alfonso Lopez Michelsen of the Liberal Party and Misael Pastrana Borrero of the Conservative Party. Joining them were Catholic Church Monseigneur Mario Revollo Bravo and Diego Montana Cuellar, member of the leftist M-19 political party and former rebel group.

The government said this week it believed a sector of the Medellin cartel, a powerful cocaine manufacturing and exporting organization, was holding the journalists.

They include Diana Turbay de Uribe, daughter of former President Julio Turbay, and Francisco Santos, news editor of El Tiempo newspaper and the son of publisher Hernando Santos.

In a statement, the group said if the seven were being held by the Medellin cartel members, ''their object would be to make certain demands to the government.''

''It would be through an exchange of ideas without pressures that advances could be made and in that sense we want to offer our services to the government and the captors to put an end to this stalemate,'' the statement said.

Government Minister Julio Sanchez Garcia said any proposal for help in freeing the kidnapped journalists ''is welcome.''

President Cesar Gaviria has stated numerous times he would not negotiate with cocaine traffickers. But the government has offered traffickers reduced prison sentences if they surrender.

Turbay de Uribe, owner of a television news program and a magazine, left Bogota Aug. 30 with five other journalists supposedly for an interview with the leader of a leftist guerrilla group. They have not been heard from since.

Santos was kidnapped Sept. 19 in Bogota and his bodyguard was killed.

A caller to El Tiempo who identified himself as a spokesman for The Extraditables, the cartel hit squad, said the journalists were in the hands of the cartel. The cartel wants to negotiate a political settlement with the government similar to that proposed for guerrilla groups, the caller said.

Gaviria in a speech to government officials Friday reiterated his policy with cocaine traffickers, calling terrorism by narcotics traffickers ''the

principal threat to our democracy.''

''The major challenge we face is to leave behind the violence,'' Gaviria said. ''We must construct with patience, dedication and optimism a new country, where the conflicts are treated through legal and peaceful means.''

Gaviria issued a decree Sept. 5 in which he offered reduced prison sentences to traffickers who surrender and confess their crimes. Those who participated also would not be extradited to the United States.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - In New Orleans, ex-Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke says efforts by embarrassed fellow Republicans to block his Senate campaign will backfire. Duke is running in tomorrow's open primary and says it has actually helped his chances of unseating the Democratic incumbent.

Charles Keating, the former owner of the failed Lincoln Savings and Loan, today pleaded innocent to securities fraud charges. The 66-year- old Keating is accused in a 42-count indictment of duping investors into buying 250-Million dollars of now-worthless junk bonds.

Cincinnati Bengals Coach Sam Wyche has been given the heaviest fine assessed by the National Football League against a coach for barring a woman sports writer from the team's locker room. He was fined one-17th of his salary, which is believed to be about 300-thousand dollars a year.

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#90278u2194 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

GUATEMALA CITY (OCT. 5) UPI - A former interior minister running for congress as an opposition candidate emerged unscathed from a machine gun attack Friday by unidentified assailants, party officials said.

The gunmen fired a stream of bullets from two vehicles at Juan Jose Rodil Peralta's passing car a few blocks from his home in a residential neighborhood of the capital, said a spokesman for Rodil's party, the National Center Union.

He said Rodil, who was traveling in an armored car, was unhurt.

Rodil served as interior minister of Guatemala in President Vinicio Cerezo's Cabinet from 1986 to 1987.

No official confirmation of the attack was immediately available. Interior Minister Carlos Morales and police officials said they had no knowledge of the incident.

Rodil could not be reached for comment.

Rodil has publicly opposed the candidacy of former military ruler Efrain Rios Montt, who has been given conditional approval to run for president in the Nov. 11 general elections.

In 1982, however, Rodil was president of Guatemala's Bar Association and his political opponents say he wrote the harsh criminal laws used by Rios Montt to execute people found guilty of committing common crimes - robbery, assault, murder.

Some 15 people were killed by firing squad for common crimes during Rios Montt's rule from March 1982 to August 1983.

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#90278u2198 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - The House ended a week of rare bipartisanship with a direct challenge to President Bush Friday, passing a stop-gap spending bill designed to keep him from implementing his pledge to shut down the government at midnight.

The 300-113 vote sent the temporary spending measure to the Senate, where an uncertain fate awaited it later Friday night. Some senators had said they might attempt to amend the bill with highly controversial and time-consuming proposals, such as the capital gains tax cut or a rollback in Social Security taxes.

The shut down of government services, ordered earlier in the day by the administration, was made necessary after the House early Friday morning defeated a bipartisan budget plan worked out between the Bush administration and congressional leaders.

Had that budget bill passed, Bush would have agreed to a second temporary spending bill keeping government agencies and services funded through Oct. 19 and delaying imposition of automatic spending cuts required by the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law.

But after it failed on a 254-179 vote, a disappointed Bush said Friday he would not accept another temporary spending bill that delayed the automatic spending cuts. He said he would neither sign the bill nor veto it, which would have the effect of letting the government shut down at midnight.

Bush urged Congress to quickly develop an alternate budget plan and to pass it before the midnight deadline when the government would officially run out of money.

White House press secretary Marin Fitzwater said Bush wanted a government

shutdown or the imposition of the automatic cuts to ''discipline'' members of Congress.

''We do not believe at this time there should be a cessation of programs of the federal government and consequently we hope the ''
House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said after an emergency caucus of House Democrats earlier Friday.

The defeated budget plan included a politically painful package of tax increases on gasoline, alcohol, cigarettes and other items, a $60 billion cut in Medicare and other provisions that angered members of both parties and the voters, who registered their disgust in calls to congressional offices.

While Bush and Congress squabbled publicly over whether to keep the government operating or to impose the automatic cuts, administration aides and top congressional leaders met privately in a frenzied drive to craft an acceptable substitute for the rejected budget plan.

At the White House, a disappointed Bush said he would refuse to sign another stop-gap spending measure and had no interest in delaying the start of automatic spending cuts called for under the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law as a penalty for failing to slash the deficit.

Bush urged Congress to enact an alternate budget plan by midnight Friday or face a governmental shutdown.

Fiscal year 1990 ended at midnight on Sept. 30, the day Bush and Congress agreed to the bipartisan budget accord after four months of negotiation. Bush gave Congress five days, until Friday, to pass the budget plan and agreed to a temporary spending bill and a dealy in the automatic cuts until then.

Bush summoned his Cabinet to an emergency meeting late Friday afternoon to arrange for the shutdown, and budget director Richard Darman dispatched instructions to all department and agency heads on suspending non-essential activities.

Darman said only designated essential government workers should report to work on Tuesday - Monday being the Columbus Day holiday.

Among the essential services cited were air traffic controllers and meat inspectors and well as others concerned with health and safety.

11-On Capitol Hill, House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., met with key Republican and Democratic leaders to consider another temporary spending bill to keep the government in business. He told reporters he would seek passage of the stop-gap measure by midnight.

It was not clear, however, whether there were enough votes in Congress to pass

a short-term funding bill by a veto-proof margin.

The defeated deficit-cutting plan had proposed $134 billion in new gasoline, cigarette, alcohol, airline and other taxes and fees over five years; $67 billion in military spending cuts; limiting domestic spending increases to the rate of inflation; $60 billion in Medicare savings, and new tax breaks for investing in small companies.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater expressed confidence the House, which handed Bush his first major defeat by repudiating the unpopular budget compromise, would be able to reach agreement on a comprehensive budget resolution.

''We think we can get a budget today,'' Fitzwater told reporters. ''If all that fails ... we would close down the government at midnight.''

Bush stayed up to watch the critical House vote that he had strenuously lobbied for and insisted that it was ''right for the people, right for the economy,'' said his spokesman.

But he conceded that congressmen, facing the Nov. 6 elections, felt the pressure of irate constitutents, many of whom had written or called the lawmakers.

Fitzwater said that an increase in unemployment reported Friday was an added factor in the need for a quick agreement.

Some House Republicans joined Democrats late Thursday during floor debate on the bipartisan budget plan in urging that the government not be shut down even if the plan were defeated. The president, who withdrew his ''no new taxes'' campaign promise to reach a deficit- cutting compromise, also told congressmen before the vote to ''blame me'' if it would help them politically.

''We're asking Republicans and Democrats alike to come together during the day today on a new resolution that is responsible, honest and fair. The job can be done. We're asking the Congress to get on with it,'' Fitzwater said.

But the spokesman said, ''If all that fails, then as we said, he won't sign one that just extends (government operations without an agreement).''

Not signing the stop-gap spending measure would be tantamount to a veto, Fitzwater said.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - President Bush called an emergency Cabinet meeting today to arrange for the shutdown of government services if NO budget agreement is

reached by midnight. Budget Director Richard Darman sent instructions to all department heads. The specter of a government shutdown emerged this morning after the House defeated a compromise budget plan. On Capitol Hill, House Speaker Thomas Foley met with congressional leaders to consider another temporary spending bill to keep the government in business.

Iraq released four Germans today as a goodwill gesture in honor of German unity. The move apparently came after talks in Baghdad between Iraqi officials and a former East German official. Also today, President Saddam Hussein met in Baghdad with Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov, reportedly to discuss five-thousand Soviet citizens still in Iraq. Egypt's official Middle East News Agency says Primakov delivered a message from Soviet President Gorbachev.

The Pentagon says Iraq has the technology to produce a high-explosive gas bomb but says the device does NOT give Iraq any advantage over U-S- led forces. Congressional sources say the bomb- called a fuel-air explosive- could be used with devastating effect against troops in the open desert. They say the United States developed the technology in the 1970's but did little with it because it would NOT have been effective in the event of war in Europe.

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#90278u2316 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 5) UPI - The verdict has been returned in Cincinnati, where a jury today found an art gallery and its director innocent of obscenity charges. The panel deliberated about three and one-half hours before handing down innocent verdicts for the Contemporary Arts Center and its director, Dennis Barrie. They were charged for showing controversial photographs by Robert Mapplethorpe.

Prosecutors in El Salvador uncovered evidence suggesting there was an attempt to frame rebels for last year's killing of six Jesuit priests. Prosecutors say log books kept at military headquarters contain false entries of rebel attacks on the priests' living quarters. Some of those entries were made before the killings took place, suggesting that some people at headquarters had prior knowledge of the operation. Nine soldiers have been charged in the killings.

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ASTORIA, OR (OCT. 5) UPI - A diesel fuel tanker docked near the Columbia River's mouth Friday to inspect damage from an ocean storm that injured three crew members and spilled about 80,000 gallons of cargo, the U.S. Coast Guard reported.

The 334-foot tanker Contessa from the island nation of St. Vincent, with a crew of 17, ran into the storm after leaving Astoria Wednesday, said Lt. Dave Gault. One of the three injured was flown by Coast Guard helicopter to a hospital Friday, he said.

The Columbia River bar pilot, who took the tanker back across the bar and into the river, said the craft was listing to starboard and the decks were awash, Gault said. Coast Guard choppers airlifted pumps to the vessel, which was anchored at Young's Bay near Astoria around 4 p.m.

The tanker will remain docked until surveyors determine if it's safe to travel Gault said.

The fuel spill occurred in the ocean, he said, and no sheen was spotted by late Friday afternoon. Gault said it might break up without being seen on the surface.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - The nation faces a possible shutdown of federal government services tonight... following defeat in the House early this morning of a compromise budget plan. And President Bush threatens to veto any stop- gap spending measures meant to avert the shutdown resulting from the House action. But the House is expected to debate just such a temporary spending bill later today. It would keep government agencies and services funded for seven more days.

Iraq's President Saddam Hussein met in Baghdad today with Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov. Egypt's Middle East News Agency says Primakov delivered a message from the Soviet president, and says Primakov and Saddam discussed the new chill in relations between their two countries. The Soviets have NOT joined the U-S-led force in the Persian Gulf, but they support U-N resolutions to force Iraq out of Kuwait through economic sanctions.

The first obscenity prosecution of a U-S art gallery ended today with acquittal for a museum that exhibited sexually explicit photos by Robert Mapplethorpe. A jury in Cincinnati deliberated three and one-half hours before clearing the Contemporary Arts Center and its director, Dennis Barrie, of obscenity charges. Barrie says the verdict ''sends a very important signal'' that museums are protected, and are part of our culture.

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#90278u2627 10/05/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 5) UPI - In the Philippines, where it's now Saturday, the seventh attempt to overthrow President Aquino's four-year-old government has ended. The armed forces chief says the leaders of the rebellion surrendered peacefully and are in custody. 240 rebels involved in the revolt also surrendered, and mop-up operations are going on in the two southern cities taken over by the rebels two days ago.

Bush administration aides and congressional leaders are meeting privately in an effort to come up with a substitute for the budget plan defeated early today by the House. In addition, President Bush and Congress are squabbling over whether to allow a shutdown of government services brought on by the plan's defeat. The House is expected to begin debate later today on a temporary spending bill- backed by the Democrats- to keep government agencies funded for another week.

The House overwhelmingly approved a tough anti-crime package today. The Senate passed its own version earlier this year, and the two chambers now will try to agree on a compromise before Congress adjourns for the year. The House version includes an amendment allowing the use of evidence obtained in illegal searches... if the searches were carried out in ''good faith.''

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(OCT. 5) UPI - African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela says the A-N-C and the South African government will meet Monday to discuss the recent wave of violence that killed at least 800 people. But a spokesman for President de Klerk declined to confirm that a meeting was scheduled. The violence raged for more than six weeks in townships near Johannesburg before being quelled in mid-September.

Many people in Czechoslovakia are short of money... but they've discovered a new way to earn hard currency. A Prague newspaper says dozens of Czechoslovaks travel across the border to Austria to sell their blood to private hospitals, clinics and blood banks. The going rate is about 16 dollars per unit of blood, which is about three days' wages in Czechoslovakia.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - The House adjourned this evening after voting 300-113 in favor of a stop-gap spending bill designed to keep President Bush from shutting down the federal government at midnight. The move is a direct challenge to Bush, who said he would NOT approve another stop-gap measure.

Iraq's deputy permanent representative to the United Nations delivered a hard-line speech to the U-N General Assembly today. He accused the United States of leading a ''Western imperialist alliance'' that's trying to gain control of the Persian Gulf's oil fields.

Iraq today did offer a gesture of good will in honor of German reunification, releasing four German captives. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein hosted a Soviet envoy in Baghdad... reportedly to discuss five-thousand Soviets being held in Iraq.

NASA managers say the shuttle Discovery is ready for tomorrow morning's blast-off. Also today, a federal judge in Washington cleared the orbiter and its nuclear-powered cargo for the flight which would end the space agency's five-month launch drought.

Leaders of a two-day rebellion in the Philippines surrendered early Saturday after the nation's armed forces bombed one of the garrisons being held by the mutineers. The surrender ends the seventh coup attempt against President Corazon Aquino's government.

The arts community scored a clear victory today in the first test of a museum being prosecuted on obscenity charges for an exhibit. Cincinnati's Contemporary Art Center and its curator were acquitted today of the charges.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - An E-P-A study released today says lead in school children's drinking water is still a widespread problem... almost two years after Congress passed a law to protect them from exposure. The study estimates half of all school districts have NOT tested their water for the toxic metal.

President Bush today vetoed a bill to limit imports of textiles, clothes and shoes. Bush said the measure would've hurt the economy, led to increased prices for Americans and violated international trade agreements.

Customs inspectors in Otay Mesa, California, have made the largest cocaine bust ever at the U-S-Mexico border. Inspectors were tipped off to the nearly four-ton bust because a propane tanker truck carrying the 262-Million-dollars worth of drugs was UNusually overweight.

A nationwide study conducted by researchers at the University of Wisconsin at Madison shows that workers whose performance is tracked by computers and other electronic devices suffer more health problems than those watched by human managers.

Smog officials in California are cracking down on an American tradition... the summer barbecue. The South Coast Air Quality Management District voted today to prohibit Southern Californians from using charcoal lighter fluid and pre-soaked briquettes.

Four teams are competing for a 475-thousand-dollar prize that was offered today by a British bookmaker to the first one to provide conclusive evidence that the Loch Ness monster really lurks in a lake in the Scottish Highlands.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - .

Negotiations have ended in New York without Washington and Moscow able to resolve outstanding issues standing in the way of a strategic weapons accord. Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze and Secretary of State Baker met for more than four hours at the United Nations... took time out... and then resumed. On Wednesday, the two ministers announced an agreement in principle on conventional arms reductions in Europe.

Iraq delivered a hard-line address to the United Nations General Assembly late today... after postponing it earlier in the week. The speech, read by Iraq's deputy U-N representative, accused the United States and its Western allies of trying to gain control of Persian Gulf oil fields. The regular Iraqi U-N representative postponed the speech three times because of social engagements and illness.

A study by the Environmental Protection Agency indicates more than 250-thousand children nationwide remain exposed to harmful levels of lead in school drinking water. The revelation comes almost two years after Congress passed a law to remedy the problem. The E-P-A estimates half of all school districts have NOT tested their water for the toxic metal linked to brain, kidney and nerve damage and stunted growth. The agency says it does NOT have enough money or proper authority to crack down.

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(OCT. 5) UPI - NASA managers at Cape Canaveral are hoping the shuttle program's five-month hiatus is about to end. NASA today cleared the way to begin fueling the shuttle Discovery tonight with an eye toward a morning lift-off. Discovery's flight will be the 36th in the shuttle series, but the first since April 24th. Hydrogen fuel leaks grounded the Columbia and Atlantis in May, July and September.

President Bush issued the 14th veto of his administration today. The ax fell on a bill to limit imports of textiles, clothes and shoes. Backers say the legislation is needed to protect U-S industries from a growing foreign competition. But the president says the measure would hurt the economy, lead to increased prices for Americans and violate international trade agreements.

Researchers at the University of Wisconsin say their nationwide survey of 762 workers in the telephone industry links electronic monitoring to health problems. The study shows workers whose job performance is tracked by computers and other devices suffer considerably more headaches and other pains than NON-monitored employees. Electronically monitored workers also are more prone to depression, tension, extreme anxiety and severe fatigue.

A very big auction is taking place in Alaska next week... and it's drawing

bidders from across the country. Exxon is selling a wide array of items it used in the cleanup of the Valdez oil spill. Items on sale in Anchorage include inflatable boats... all-terrain vehicles... and an entire trailer court full of two and four- bedroom homes. The four-day auction starts Tuesday and auctioneers say it might be the biggest one ever held.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 5) UPI - Paul O'Neill drove in both of Cincinnati's runs and snuffed out a Pittsburgh threat with a rocket throw from right field, sending the Reds past the Pirates 2-1 Friday and evening the National League playoffs at one victory each.

O'Neill singled Barry Larkin home from third in the first inning and delivered a game-deciding double in the fifth to score Herm Winningham from second.

In the sixth, O'Neill put his rifle arm on display before the sellout crowd at Riverfront Stadium. He caught a fly ball and unleashed a perfect throw to nail Andy Van Slyke trying to advance from second to third. It was the second straight game O'Neill has gunned down a runner.

The Reds and Pirates will take Saturday and Sunday off before the series resumes Monday in Pittsburgh.

Cincinnati starter Tom Browning limited Pittsburgh to one run and six hits in his six innings. The left-hander struck out three and walked three. Rob Dibble pitched 1 1-3 innings and Randy Myers worked 1 2-3 innings for the save.

O'Neill's strong defense in right field was complemented Larkin. The shortstop made two defensive gems in the ninth, cutting off potential hits by Barry Bonds and R.J. Reynolds to hold off the Pirates.

Pittsburgh's Doug Drabek, who won an NL-best 22 games this season, went the distance and took the loss, yielding only five hits and two runs. The right-hander struck out eight and walked two.

O'Neill's second RBI in the fifth staked Cincinnati to a 2-1 lead. With two outs, Winningham reached on a fielder's choice, stole second and scored when O'Neill doubled off the left-field wall.

The Pirates, trailing 1-0 since the first, tied it in the fifth on an unlikely home run by Jose Lind to left. Lind, the eighth hitter in the lineup, hit just one homer during the season and has just six in his three years.

The Reds grabbed a 1-0 lead in the first, but splendid clutch pitching by Drabek kept them from scoring more. Larkin drew a leadoff walk, stole second, moved to third on Winningham's line single to right and scored on O'Neill's

flare to right, just past the glove of second baseman Lind.

Cincinnati did a lot more base running in the inning, but with nothing to show for it. Winningham raced to third on O'Neill's hit and a few pitches later O'Neill stole second. After Drabek struck out Eric Davis, Hal Morris was was given an intentional one-out walk to load the bases.

Drabek got Chris Sabo to ground back to the mound and forced Winningham at home, with Sabo safe at first on the fielder's choice, leaving the bases full with two outs. Drabek then ended the inning by striking out Joe Oliver.

Pittsburgh blew several good scoring chances. The Pirates had runners on first and second with no out in the first, but Browning pitched out of the jam by getting Van Slyke to fly out, Bobby Bonilla to pop up and Bonds to strike out.

Pittsburgh put a pair of runners on in the second with one out, but Browning came through unscathed by picking Jeff King off second and fanning Drabek.

In the sixth, Van Slyke and Bonilla opened with singles, but Van Slyke was nailed by O'Neill as he tried to advance. Browning struck out Reynolds to end the threat.

Third baseman King left the game in the bottom of the second because of a bruised lower back, with right fielder Bonilla moving to third and Reynolds inserted in right.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - More than 800 additional people from four Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard units have been called to active duty and the Army has alerted two more Army Reserve outfits for possible mobilization, the Pentagon said Friday.

The call-up and the alert were in connection with Operation Desert Shield in the Persian Gulf area.

A total of 844 people from the following Air Force selected command and control, flying, maintenance and combat support groups have been called:

_914th Tactical Airlift Group, Air Force Reserve, Niagara Falls, N.Y., 206.

_927th Tactical Airlift Group, Air Force Reserve, Selfridge Air Force Base, Mich., 187.

_130th Tactical Airlift Group, Air National Guard, Charleston, W.Va., 224.

_136th Tactical Airlift Wing, Air National Guard, Dallas, 227.

In addition the Army said two units may be called to active duty ''as they are needed during the operation in response the crisis our nation faces.''

The units will perform duties in the United States as well as in forward areas it said.

The two units are the 416th Engineer Command Detachment in Chicago and the 300th Adjutant General Detachment in Homewood, Ill., a postal outfit.

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NEW YORK (UPI) _ The government bond market showed some disappointment Friday at Congress's refusal to pass the budget-cutting package proposed by the White House and bipartisan leaders but still posted gains for the week.

Uncertainty in Washington carried over into the Treasuries market, hostage to Congress just as it seemed to be shaking itself free of the baneful influence of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's Persian Gulf adventurism.

Market watchers said the effect of the House of Represenatives' defeat of the bipartisan budget plan early Friday was offset by a highly recessionary Labor Department unemployment report released hours later saying 101,000 jobs were lost across the country during September.

Considerably worse than expected, that drove the unemployment rate up to 5.7 percent last month from 5.6 percent in August.

''Those two factors have sort of canceled each other out, and the market is ending more or less unchanged on the day,'' said Mike Casey, international economist with Maria Ramirez Capital Consultants in New York.

The benchmark 30-year bond, the 8 3/4 of 2020, ended at 99 17/32 to yield 8.79 percent, compared with 98 and 8.94 percent a week earlier. That represented a gain of more than 1 1/2 points, or $15 for every $1,000 face value.

The additional evidence of economic slowing was helpful to bonds, whose fixed return becomes more attractive as other investments falter.

But Capital Hill was the bond market's main focus.

''The follies that went on there ... were probably more disappointing'' than the bond-positive jobs data, said Daniel Laufenberg, a senior economist with IDS Financial Services in Minneapolis.

The market has a number of concerns, Laufenberg said. First, even the package as proposed would result in a higher federal budget deficit for fiscal 1991 _

yet another record at an estimated $250 billion.

Beyond that, the economist said, ''Congress seems to be out of control here on budgetary issues. I think that's the view many investors, particularly foreign investors, would take.'' That could mean reduced foreign purchases of U.S. Treasury bonds _ also pushing long- term rates upward.

Held in abeyance, by all indications, was a Federal Reserve- engineered cut in short-term rates. Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan has made clear that lower rates depend on passage of ''credible and enforceable'' deficit-reduction legislation.

Fed officials ''don't want to throw out their trump card here without some action on the part of Congress,'' Laufenberg said. ''If they eased before we had a budget package, I think the market would be uncomfortable with that.''

Economist Casey said Congress probably would cut some face-saving deal over the weekend, allowing the Treasury to proceed with bond auctions.

But ''there is still, at a gut level, no real consensus as to how the country should proceed at this point,'' he said.

So a quick fix on Capitol Hill could leave bond investors unconvinced of the eventual package's credibility, causing a rise in long-term interest rates to compensate for higher perceived risk. That would mean higher home mortgage rates _ another blow to an already struggling economy.

Ten-year Treasury notes ended at 100 21/32 to yield 8.65 percent, against 99 21/32 and 8.80 percent the week before. Five-year notes ended at 100 28/32 to yield 8.28 percent, compared with 100 6/32 and 8.44 percent.

Three-year Treasury notes closed at 100 2/32 to yield 7.97 percent, against 99 20/32 and 8.14 percent seven days before. Two-year notes were at 100 18/32 to yield 7.81 percent vs. 100 8/32 and 7.99 percent.

Six-month Treasury bills were discounted at a rate of 7.08 percent to yield 7.44 percent vs. a 7.16 percent discount and 7.53 percent yield the previous week. Three-month T-bills ended at a 7.04 percent discount to yield 7.26 percent vs. a 7.13 percent discount and a 7.36 percent yield.

The Shearson Lehman Brothers long-term Treasury bond index rose 1.4 percent on the week to 1,262.02, up 17.09 points.

The federal funds rate ended at 8 percent, its current perceived target rate.

Fed officials manipulate this rate, set on short-term lending of reserve funds between banks, to signal financial markets that central bank monetary policy has changed and to set the tone on interest rates.

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(OCT. 4) UPI - The Kansas City Chiefs couldn't ask for a more ideal opportunity to grab a share of the AFC West lead.

The Chiefs, 3-1, go to Indianapolis Sunday to face a 1-3 team with an injured quarterback and Eric Dickerson unavailable. The Colts earlier this week were backed by the league in their move to put Dickerson on the physically-unable-to-perform list under the running back's protests.

The front-running but home-loving Los Angeles Raiders are on the road Sunday, and Denver, the struggling defending conference champion, does not play until Monday night.

The Raiders are 9-0 at home in the year since Art Shell was named head coach but on the road are 2-5, and the Bills, 3-1, are a tough challenge.

With a triumph, Kansas City will be 4-1 for the first time since 1971. Indianapolis No. 1 pick Jeff George has a strained abdomen but backup Jack Trudeau was named AFC Player of the Week for engineering the Colts' only victory, a 24-23 decision over Philadelphia.

He was 19 of 40 for 329 yards and sparked an 82-yard drive for the winning touchdown on the final play.

''That was really satisfying,'' Trudeau said. ''Sure I want to start more. I've been through a lot of stuff. But why get in a tizzy about not playing? I'll do what they ask.''

The Colts offense ranks last in NFL rushing with just 56.8 yards a game and its average possession time is an NFL-low 24:37. The Colts ran only 14 rushes at Philadelphia, the fewest in any triumph in team history. Indianapolis has been outscored 43-3 in points off turnovers.

Their defense is fourth-worst in the league and third-most vulnerable to the pass. Indianapolis has allowed league-highs of 83 first downs and 26 third-down conversions.

Steve DeBerg, a 14-year NFL veteran, is the AFC's top-rated passer with 63 completions in 115 attempts for 907 yards and six touchdowns. He has thrown 128 straight passes without an interception and is the only NFL starter not picked off this season.

''I've done a good job keeping the ball away from the defense but that goes back to the overall unit,'' DeBerg said. ''The receivers run great routes. I get great protection and the rushing game keeps the presure off.''

DeBerg's cause was aided Thursday when Colts linebacker Duane Bickett went down with a pulled right hamstring. Bickett, the Indianapolis tackles leader with 34, is questionable for Sunday.

The Raiders have a chance to become the first 5-0 team in franchise history _ the Oakland Raiders were 6-0-1 in 1969 _ and the first in the NFL this season. The San Francisco 49ers return from their open date at 3-0 in Houston and the 4-0 New York Giants are idle Sunday.

In other games Sunday, it's Detroit at Minnesota, Green Bay at Chicago, New Orleans at Atlanta, the New York Jets at Miami, San Diego at Pittsburgh, Seattle at New England, Tampa Bay at Dallas, and Cincinnati at the Los Angeles Rams. Monday night, Cleveland plays at Denver.

New England, a loser by 34 and 24 points since revelation of a sexual harassment controversy, meets a Seattle team also burdened by problems on and off the field. Like the Patriots, the Seahawks are 1-3 and have made non-sports news.

Running back Derrick Fenner, the NFL touchdown leader, was involved in a parking-lot confrontation after the team's victory over Cincinnati Monday night. In 1987, Fenner was found guilty of cocaine possession. He was also jailed that year for a first-degree murder charge that later was dropped.

At Anaheim, Calif., the Cincinnati Bengals are on a five-game road trip because of the baseball playoffs. The Bengals, 3-1, come off a short week after their Monday night loss to Seattle facing the rested Rams, who had a bye last week.

The Rams are 1-2 but are averaging 359 yards a game in offense. They get back Pro Bowl cornerback Jerry Gray, who missed the first three games because of a knee injury.

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UNITED NATIONS (UPI) _ Iraq delivered a hard-line address Friday in the U.N. General Assembly, accusing the United States and a ''Western imperialist alliance'' of trying to gain control over the Persian Gulf's oil fields.

It also lashed out at the U.N. Security Council for shutting off the views of Third World nations while it tried to implement the worldwide trade and arms embargo on the Iraqi government of President Saddam Hussein.

In the address read by the country's deputy permanent representative to the United Nations, Sabah Talat Kadrat, Iraq said the United States and Britain have applied a double standard by sparing Israel, which continues to occupy

southern Lebanon, while punishing Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Kadrat read the speech on behalf of his chief of mission, Ambassador Abdul Amir Al-Anbari, who suffered repeated severe cases of nosebleed and had been hospitalized. Al-Anbari postponed the address thrice this week because of social engagements and illness.

''The United States and its Western allies are not defending international law and the U.N. Charter,'' Kadrat said.

''They are seeking to gain control over the oil reserves in the gulf so as to have a free hand in manipulating the needs of the world,'' Kadrat said.

He accused Washington of raising ''artificial fears'' about Iraqi control of 20 percent of oil reserves ''while it was quite happy when those reserves were under the control of a handful of sheiks.''

Kadrat reiterated Saddam's proposal to link a solution of the gulf crisis to the resolution of other issues in the Israeli-Arab conflict, including the Palestinian question of the Israeli-occupied territories.

He said all those issues should be considered on an ''equal footing.''

The Security Council should seek to set up ''common principles and criteria to deal with these issues, and these principles and criteria should be applied to all the issues of the region without ignoring the particularities and antecedents of each,'' Kadrat said.

He said a few countries have voiced support for parallel resolution of the crises in the whole region, ''but America and Britain have sought to suppress any tendency to give them consideration.''

The 15-nation Security Council began Friday a debate on the occupied territories at the request of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The PLO's foreign minister, Farouk Kaddoumi, told the council that it was time to deal with the issue in the West Bank and Gaza Strip ''in a comprehensive manner.''

''The issue was the root of the current tension in the gulf area and in Lebanon,'' Kaddoumi said.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 5) UPI - The Pittsburgh Pirates ran themselves into a 2-1 defeat Friday, enabling the Cincinnati Reds to even their best-of-seven National League Championship Series at one game each.

The Pirates, who battled back from a 3-0 to deficit to win Game 1 with No. 4 pitcher Bob Walk on the mound, were over-aggressive in Game 2. Largely because of three base-running mistakes, they wasted eight masterful, five-hit innings from ace right-hander Doug Drabek.

The first big goof came after Drabek pitched out of a bases-loaded jam in the first inning to escape a potentially huge Cincinnati inning, trailing 1-0.

Reds starter Tom Browning opened the second slightly out of synch, walking Jeff King. An out later, the left-hander also walked Jose Lind, bringing Drabek, a good bunter to the plate.

King took a generous lead off second, and Browning took a shot at picking him off. King got back - but barely - before shortstop Barry Larkin took the throw.

Despite the close escape, King tried again, and this time he wasn't as lucky. Umpire Dutch Rennert said Browning's throw got there first, and King picked himself up out of the dirt to find he somehow had bruised his back. Drabek struck out to end the inning, and King ended up leaving the game, forcing Manager Jim Leyland to move Bobby Bonilla from right to third and put pinch-hitter R.J. Reynolds in right.

The next base-running gaffe came in the third, with Pittsburgh still trailing 1-0. Gary Redus drew a leadoff walk, bringing Jay Bell, baseball's best bunter this season to the plate with none out. But Redus didn't wait for Bell's sacrifice attempt; he took off for second, and catcher Joe Oliver nailed him with a perfect throw to Mariano Duncan. Bell followed with a wasted single to right. Deflated, the Pirates left the inning quietly on Andy Van Slyke's popout and Bobby Bonilla's fly ball to center.

The two miscues seemed unimportant when Lind led off the fifth inning with what was just the sixth home run of his career to tie the score at 1-1.

But Paul O'Neill's RBI double put Cincinnati back on top, 2-1, in the bottom of the fifth, and the Pirates realized they had better get their offense going before Reds Manager Lou Piniella went to the bullpen for one of his Nasty Boys.

Van Slyke and Bonilla opened the sixth with back-to-back singles, and it appeared the Pirates were back in business. But then Barry Bonds flied out to right-field, and Van Slyke made the mistake of tagging up and challenging O'Neill's arm.

The right-fielder nailed him with a perfect throw to third baseman Chris Sabo for the double play, and Reynolds ended the inning by going out on Browning's last pitch of the game, a called third strike.

Each of the involved Pirates defended his base-running game.

''I thought I got back. Unfortunately, the umpire didn't see it that way,'' King said.

''With Oliver behind the plate, you don't get a good jump you're out, '' Redus said. ''But I got a good jump. He made a perfect throw.''

Similarly, Van Slyke swore: ''I'll do the same thing again in Pittsburgh if I have to.

''I decided he (O'Neill) would have to make a perfect throw to get me, and that's exactly what happened. He threw low and at the base. He might have even hit the base, that's how good the throw was.''

The defense of their actions is understandable. The Pirates' aggression played a huge role in their capture of the National League East. But those who play by the sword also occasionally lose by it.

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(OCT. 6) UPI - NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

(Listing won, lost, tied, percent, points for, points against, records within division, winning or losing streaks)

American Conference

East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	3	1	0	.750	92	75	2-1	W-2
Miami	3	1	0	.750	88	57	2-0	W-1
New York Jets	2	2	0	.500	88	89	1-1	W-1
New England	1	3	0	.250	60	119	1-2	L-2
Indianapolis	1	3	0	.250	58	89	0-2	W-1

Central

Cincinnati	3	1	0	.750	103	74	0-0	L-1
Houston	2	2	0	.500	77	84	0-1	W-2
Cleveland	1	3	0	.250	48	85	1-0	L-3
Pittsburgh	1	3	0	.250	32	70	1-1	L-2

West

LA Raiders	4	0	0	1.000	75	35	2-0	W-4
Kansas City	3	1	0	.750	98	48	0-1	W-2
Denver	2	2	0	.500	95	97	2-1	L-1
San Diego	1	3	0	.250	61	69	0-0	L-1
Seattle	1	3	0	.250	75	84	0-2	W-1

National Conference

East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	4	0	0	1.000	106	47	3-0	W-4
Washington	3	1	0	.750	101	51	3-0	W-2
Dallas	1	3	0	.250	56	92	0-3	L-3
Philadelphia	1	3	0	.250	91	95	0-2	L-1
Phoenix	1	3	0	.250	40	118	1-2	L-2
Central								
Chicago	3	1	0	.750	77	53	2-0	L-1
Tampa Bay	3	1	0	.750	98	96	3-0	W-2
Green Bay	2	2	0	.500	76	93	1-1	W-1
Detroit	1	3	0	.250	83	99	0-3	L-2
Minnesota	1	3	0	.250	89	69	0-2	L-2
West								
San Francisco	3	0	0	1.000	58	38	2-0	W-3
Atlanta	1	2	0	.333	74	67	0-1	L-2
Los Angeles Rams	1	2	0	.333	80	77	0-0	L-1
New Orleans	1	2	0	.333	43	52	0-1	W-1

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - President Bush vetoed a bill to limit imports of textiles, clothes and shoes Friday, saying the measure would hurt the economy, lead to increased prices for Americans and violate international trade agreements.

''It would also reverse the tremendous progress we are making to generate a global economic renaissance,'' Bush said in issuing the 14th veto of his administration. Thus far, Congress has not been able to override a Bush veto and it appeared this one also would stick.

The House gave final approval to the bill on Sept. 19. Backers said the legislation was needed to protect the U.S. textile and shoe industries from growing foreign competition.

Bush, in his veto message to Congress, said, ''Economic indicators illustrate that the problems this bill is intended to address do not exist. Despite assertions to the contrary, the textile industry has done well.''

The Senate passed the bill with enough votes _ 68-32 _ to override a veto but the House tally _ 271-149 _ indicated such an effort would fall short. In 1985 and 1988, President Ronald Reagan vetoed similar bills and was sustained.

Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., said through a spokesman: ''It won't be easy, but I'm hopeful that this veto will be overridden. The survival of the textile

industry is at stake.''

The legislation would allow only a 1 percent annual increase in textile imports and would freeze imports of non-rubber footwear, such as leather shoes and sneakers, at their 1989 levels.

The bill drew support from both Democrats and Republicans who said it was necessary to save the U.S. textile and footwear industries, with 2.1 million workers, from extinction at the hands of unfair foreign competitors who pay their workers low wages and receive subsidies from their governments.

''We just want fair trade. Free trade doesn't work. It's fair trade that works '' Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., argued during debate on the bill.

Supporters said imports now account for 60 percent of the textiles and 80 percent of the footwear sold in America. The growth in imports has cost half a million jobs since 1980, they said.

Opponents of the bill, also from both parties, said quotas would boost costs for consumers while inviting retaliation against U.S. exports, particularly agricultural products.

They also argued it was illogical to protect ''inefficient'' industries. They said the United States should instead seek to relax trade rules to help growing sectors of the economy in foreign markets.

Bush, in agreeing with the bill's foes, said the Textile, Apparel and Footwear Trade Act of 1990 ''is simply not the panacea advertised by its proponents.''

''Instead,'' he insisted, ''it is blatantly protectionist, unwarranted, economically harmful and internationally unviable.''

Bush said, ''We already have very effective laws that provide remedies to unfair competition from abroad.''

Furthermore, he said, ''Our best hope of opening new markets overseas and for sustaining our textile and apparel industries is not this legislation,'' but the Uraguay Round of global trade talks now in their ''critical final weeks.''

More than 100 nations are involved in these discussions.

Bush also charged that the bill would be ''reprehensible at a time when the United States' highest international priority is to strengthen international cooperation.''

''Many of the countries whose interests would be damaged ... such as Turkey and Egypt, are ones that have cooperated effectively in resisting Iraqi aggression in the Persian Gulf,'' the president said.

He also said the legislation would pick ''the pockets of U.S. consumers in order to subsidize the textile industry at a cost of $70, 000 annually per job saved.''

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MIAMI (OCT. 5) UPI - Hurricane Klaus, whose torrential rains were blamed for six deaths among islanders in the Lesser Antilles, could threaten the southeastern United States within five days, forecasters said Friday.

Meanwhile, another hurricane, Josephine, sped harmlessly in the open Atlantic.

Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center did not expect Klaus _ which grew Friday from a tropical storm to become the sixth Atlantic- Caribbean hurricane of the season _ to strengthen much during the next 24 hours.

At 9 p.m. EDT, Klaus's maximum sustained winds were 75 mph, just 1 mph over the hurricane threshold and down from 80 mph earlier in the day. It was centered near latitude 18.1 north, longitude 61.7 west, or about 70 miles north of Antigua.

Forecasters predicted Klaus could dump 10 inches to 15 inches of rain over the northeastern Caribbean islands, possibly producing flash floods and mud slides.

Klaus was moving north-northwest at near 6 mph, and forecasters at the National Hurricane Center expected the storm to continue in that direction for the next 24 hours.

''Three days from now, it will still be fairly far away from the southeastern U.S., but what happens after that, what our guidance models suggest, is that the system could move closer to the southeastern U.S., threatening the U.S. mainland sometime around Wednesday,'' said hurricane specialist Miles Lawrence.

A ridge of high pressure north of Klaus was expected to strengthen over the next week, pushing the storm to the west toward the United States.

On Thursday, heavy rains from the system produced flash flooding on Martinique and neigboring islands in the northern-most chain of the Lesser Antilles. Six people were reported killed and two others were missing, said a spokeswoman at the French Embassy in Washington.

Hurricane warnings were issued Friday for the northern Leeward Islands from St. Martin eastward, including Nevis, Barbuda, Montserrat, Antigua and surrounding islands.

Tropical storm warnings were in effect for Guadeloupe and neighboring French islands, while a hurricane watched continued for the British and U.S. Virgin Islands.

Forecasters warned boaters in the northeast Caribbean from Puerto Rico eastward to stay near port.

Hurricane force winds extended as far as 30 miles and tropical storm force winds extended as far as 115 miles east of the center of Klaus. Tropical storm force winds extended as far as 40 miles west of the center.

Probability charts from the hurricane center indicated a 10 percent to 14 percent chance that the storm's eye would pass within 65 miles of St. Croix and St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands and San Juan and Ponce, Puerto Rico, by 2 p.m. Monday.

Klaus was the 11th named storm of the 1990 Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30. It sprang from a tropical depression that rapidly strengthened Wednesday.

The 10th named storm, Josephine, achieved winds of 80 mph Friday as it sped through the north Atlantic toward the Azores.

Josephine formed off the African coast Sept. 16 and has waxed and waned as it followed an erratic northward course through the Atlantic.

At 6 p.m. EDT, Josephine was centered near latitude 35.5 north, longitude 37.0 west, or about 585 miles west southwest of Terceira in the Azores.

The storm was moving north-northeast at near 29 mph, and was expected to continue that direction Friday night. Forecasters predicted some decrease in strength over the next day.

Hurricane force winds extended as far as 30 miles from the center, with tropical force winds extending as far as 175 miles.

Josephine was considered a threat only to marine interests.

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#90278x2607 10/05/1990 ~Comtex

BURBANK, CA (OCT. 5) UPI - Emmy Award-winning television director Rudy Vejar died this week of respiratory failure, a spokesman said Friday. He was 57.

Vejar died Wednesday at St. Joseph's Hospital, publicist Ward Grant said.

Vejar served as co-executive producer of NBC's daytime drama ''Generations'' and most recently resumed special directorial assignment's for CBS's ''The Young and the Restless,'' where he won his Emmy Awards as outstanding director of daytime drama for four consecutive years from 1985-1988.

Prior to his stint on ''the Young and the Restless,'' Vejar directed multiple episodes of ''Tribes,'' ''Romance Theatre'' and ''Days of Our Lives.''

He also served eight years as a freelance stage manager and director for ''General Hospital.''

Vejar, born in Los Angeles, graduated from the University of Southern California with a masters degree in music and drama. Following college, he appeared in musical theater on and off-Broadway as a singer and actor.

A memorial service is planned Oct. 13 at St. James Church in Los Angeles, the spokesman said.

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#90279b0343 10/06/1990 ~Business Wire

HONOLULU (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Outrigger Hotels Hawaii Friday announced it has acquired the 300-room Clarion Hotel, at the Ontario Airport in San Bernadino County, Calif.

Outrigger, the largest hotel chain in Hawaii, purchased the full-service Clarion from CFH Inc., a Delaware corporation that is a subsidiary of Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co.

The Clarion is the chain's first acquisition in California and its second on the Mainland. Outrigger also owns the 303-room Plaza Fort Worth Hotel and Conference Center in Texas.

The Ontario property will continue to be operated as a Clarion Hotel while long-range decisions for the property are completed. The purchase price was not disclosed.

In addition to the Outrigger-owned properties, OLS currently manages the Plaza San Antonio in Texas; the Plaza Inn Albuquerque in New Mexico; the Plantation Hale on the island of Kauai, Hawaii; and the Radisson Hotel in Clearwater, Fla.

Located at 2200 East Holt Blvd., the Clarion Hotel at Ontario Airport has been designed specifically to meet the needs of business travelers, meeting attendees, and convention delegates. The hotel's Executive Conference Center includes two large meeting rooms, eight executive conference rooms, an executive board room, a specially designed amphitheater with permanent tiered seating for 128 people, and a sophisticated audio/visual control center with closed circuit television between meeting rooms.

Function facilities include a 5,900-square-foot ballroom that seats 600 people and covered outdoor space. Recreational facilities include three indoor racquetball courts, two outdoor tennis courts, a lap pool, exercise machines, saunas, and a hot tub.

Outrigger Hotels Hawaii is a full-service lodging and hospitality company based in Hawaii. It owns the largest and most diverse chain in the Islands, operating more than 10,000 rooms and suites in 32 properties in Hawaii and across the Mainland U.S. Outrigger is among the 15 largest hotel management companies in the country.

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#90279d0600 10/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD, (OCT 6) - A senior Soviet envoy Saturday ended a two-day visit to Iraq during which he met with President Saddam Hussein to deliver a message from Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, official Iraqi sources said.

Soviet embassy sources here said the message delivered Friday by Yevgeni Primakov, Mr. Gorbachev's foreign policy advisor, dealt with the condition of Soviet citizens trapped in Iraq and the possibility of settling the Gulf crisis peacefully.

(Soviet television reported Friday that Mr. Hussein told Mr. Primakov that the some 5,100 Soviets in Iraq would be allowed to leave the country, Soviet television reported Friday.)

(A Soviet journalist reporting from Baghdad quoted Mr. Hussein as saying that "there is no political reason to prevent Soviets from returning home."

("The Iraqi president has given his assurances that a large group of Soviet citizens will be leaving Iraq soon," the correspondent said.)

Only a few Soviets have been granted exit visas by the Iraqi authorities,

who have been detaining Westerners and Japanese in a bid to deter a possible attack by the U.S. and allied forces massed in the Gulf.

Moscow, traditionally a close ally of Iraq, angered Baghdad by joining in the international condemnation of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Over the years, it had sent Iraq large numbers of military and technical experts.

The Iraqi media said Saturday that Mr. Primakov and Iraqi leaders had stressed their desire for peace in the region and better bilateral ties.

Mr. Primakov met separately with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz and also held talks with Palestine Liberation Organisation Chairman Yasser Arafat during his visit, part of stepped-up diplomatic efforts to end the Gulf crisis.

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#90279d0610 10/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (OCT 6) - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu arrived here Saturday for a 24-hour visit during which he is to discuss the Gulf crisis with King Fahd of Saudi Arabia.

Mr. Kaifu, who arrived from Ankara on the fourth leg of a five-nation Middle East tour, was met at the royal airport terminal by Crown Prince Abdullah.

Mr. Kaifu, the first Japanese prime minister to visit Saudi Arabia in 12 years is to hold talks with the Saudi monarch and crown prince later Saturday.

From Jeddah, Mr. Kaifu flies to Oman for the last stop of a tour that has already taken him to Egypt, Jordan and Turkey.

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#90279d0660 10/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN, (OCT 6) - Saudi Arabia has recalled its ambassador to Jordan in retaliation for a similar measure by Amman, Arab diplomatic sources said here Saturday.

Saudi Ambassador Mohammad Fahd al-Issa left Amman for Riyadh on Saturday, they said.

Jordan recalled its ambassador to Saudi Arabia, Nasser Batayneh, on September 25 in protest against Riyadh's expulsion of Jordanian diplomats posted in the Saudi capital.

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#90279d1160 10/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONACO, (OCT 6) - Stefano Casiraghi, the Italian-born husband of Princess Caroline of Monaco, was buried here Saturday after two separate funeral services.

Princess Caroline, her father Prince Rainier, his two other children, Prince Albert and Princess Stephanie, and other family members attended a private service at the Peace Chapel in the tiny principality's old town.

More than 1,000 people, including Danielle Mitterrand, wife of the French president, crowded Monaco cathedral for a public funeral service.

Stefano Casiraghi, 30, was killed Wednesday when his speedboat flipped over as he was defending his offshore championship title.

His death by accident is the second to strike the Grimaldi family in eight years.

Princess Caroline's mother, Princess Grace, was killed in September 1982 when her car veered off a road in the hills behind Monaco. Princess Stephanie was injured in the accident.

Prince Rainier was watching the offshore race from Monte Carlo port when Wednesday's accident happened during a world championship heat. Mr. Casiraghi's parents were also in Monaco for the championship's second round.

Untitled Mr. Casiraghi had three children with Princess Caroline.

He was her second husband. They got married one year after the death of Princess Grace, former Hollywood actress Grace Kelly.

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#90279d1460 10/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA, (OCT 6) - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu arrived here Saturday for talks with King Fahd of Saudi Arabia on Japan's contributions to international efforts to restore stability in the Gulf.

Mr. Kaifu was given a red carpet welcome at the royal airport terminal here by Crown Prince Abdullah at the start of a 24-hour visit, the first to Saudi Arabia by a Japanese premier in 12 years.

Mr. Kaifu had been scheduled to begin his talks with King Fahd at a royal palace here shortly after his arrival, but the meeting was put back by three hours by the Saudis at the last minute. No reason was given for the delay.

Japanese Foreign Ministry sources said that during their talks, Mr. Kaifu would extend an invitation to King Fahd to visit Japan. The Saudi monarch was

invited to Japan previously, in 1976, but never made the trip.

Mr. Kaifu's discussions here with King Fahd and the crown prince were expected to touch on the possibility of Japan contributing unarmed military personnel to the multi-national force assembled in Saudi Arabia following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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#90279d3260 10/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (OCT 6) - The last two Italian diplomats in Kuwait left for Iraq on Saturday because they had run out of food and water, the Italian foreign ministry said.

Ambassador Marco Colombo and the first secretary at the Italian embassy had been living under conditions of extreme hardship for nearly two months, the ministry said.

Foreign ministry sources said that life at the embassy had become unbearable because of the blockade by Iraqi troops seeking to force foreign diplomats to leave.

Iraq annexed Kuwait after its August 2 invasion and ordered foreign embassies to close and evacuate their personnel.

The foreign ministry said the decision to evacuate the diplomats did not mean that Italy was closing down its embassy in Kuwait.

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#90279p2186 10/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA, (OCT. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific-Atlanta, Inc. (NYSE: SFA) has received a $2.7 million order from the U.S. Navy for compact range equipment used to determine radar reflectivity of low radar cross section (RCS) vehicles and other equipment. The order represents the first application of compact ranges for indoor bistatic measurements.

Under terms of the contract, issued for the Navy's Radar Signature Branch of the Pacific Missile Test Center at Point Mugu, Calif., Scientific-Atlanta's radar systems business area will construct a compact range for installation in a large anechoic chamber currently under construction at the Missile Systems Evaluation Laboratory.

The compact range will provide the free-space and far-afield conditions necessary for performance of both bistatic and monostatic RCS measurements. Most RCS measurements are monostatic -- that is, the receiver is located in the same line of sight as the transmitted signal. However, when the bistatic measurement facility is complete, the Navy will be able to conduct RCS

measurements under bistatic threat conditions in which the directions of the transmitted signal and received signal can be separated up to 180 degrees.

William G. Luehrs, manager of Scientific-Atlanta's radar systems business, said, "This award is significant because it provides the Navy with the ability to measure very large targets in a compact range that contains a quiet zone or test area larger than 30 feet. It will also be the first time bistatic measurements will be made with the aid of a compact range. This allows the Navy to conduct a great variety of tests day or night in all types of weather with complete security.

"We are proud to have our compact range equipment chosen for this effort because, once the new facility is complete, it will be the most modern, state-of-the-art ground-based threat environment in the world," Luehrs said.

Scientific-Atlanta, Inc. is a key supplier of electronic instrumentation for industrial, telecommunications and government applications as well as a leader in cable television electronics and satellite-based communications networks.

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#90279t3044 10/06/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (OCT. 6) TASS - THE FIRST DETACHMENT, CREATED BY THE ARMENIAN INTERIOR MINISTRY TO FIGHT ORGANISED CRIME, WAS PUT ON OATH AND BEGAN TO FULFIL ITS DUTIES, IZVESTIA REPORTED TODAY.

V.SARKISYAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE PERMANENT COMMISSION FOR DEFENCE AND DOMESTIC AFFAIRS, INFORMED THE ARMENIAN PUBLIC THAT THE DETACHMENT, CREATED ON THE DECISION OF THE ARMENIAN PARLIAMENT, WAS BEGINNING TO FULFIL ITS DUTIES.

HE STRESSED THAT ALL ARMED GROUPS THAT DO NOT OBEY THE GOVERNMENT WOULD BE OUTLAWED, WITH ALL CONSEQUENCES IT MAY INVOLVE.

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#90279t3051 10/06/1990 ~ts

CAIRO OCTOBER 7 TASS - A NEW MILITARY BASE WILL BE BUILT IN SAUDI ARABIA, IN THE AREA OF JIZAN.

A DECISION ON ITS CONSTRUCTION WAS TAKEN ON SATURDAY ON THE PERSONAL INSTRUCTION OF KING FAHD, THE MENA NEWS AGENCY REPORTS.

JIZAN IS SITUATED SEVERAL KILOMETERS FROM THE SAUDI-YEMENI BORDER AND THE FARASAN ISLANDS IN THE RED SEA, WHICH ARE OF MUCH STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE.

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#90279u0039 10/06/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 6) UPI - NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS

Wales Conference
Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	1	0	0	2	7	4
New Jersey	0	0	1	1	3	3
NY Rangers	0	1	0	0	3	4
Philadelphia	0	1	0	0	1	4
NY Islanders	0	1	0	0	1	4
Washington	0	1	0	0	4	7

Adams Division

Boston	1	0	0	2	4	1
Buffalo	0	0	1	1	3	3
Montreal	0	0	1	1	3	3
Hartford	0	0	1	1	3	3
Quebec	0	0	1	1	3	3

Campbell Conference
Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	1	0	0	2	4	3
St. Louis	1	0	0	2	3	2
Detroit	0	0	1	1	3	3
Minnesota	0	1	0	0	2	3
Toronto	0	1	0	0	1	7

Smythe Division

Winnipeg	1	0	0	2	7	1
Los Angeles	1	0	0	2	4	1
Calgary	1	0	0	2	3	2
Vancouver	0	1	0	0	2	3
Edmonton	0	0	0	0	0	0

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#90279u0078 10/06/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 6) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES

Pittsburgh	2	1	4	-7
Washington	1	1	2	-4

First period-1, Pittsburgh, Stevens 1 (Cullen), 4:58; 2, Washington, Hunter 1 (Druce, Pivonka), 6:45; 3, Coffey 1, (Stevens, Cullen), 8:36.

Penalties-Lalor, Wash, 2:02; Trottier, Pit, 6:16; May, Wash, 11:32; Druce, Wash, 14:26; Hillier, Pit, 18:16; Recchi, Pit, 20:00; Leach, Wash, 20:00.

Second period-4, Pittsburgh, Pederson 1 (Tanti, Zalapski), 5:00; 5, Washington, Ridley 1 (Hunter, Pivonka), 11:17. Penalties-Bondra, Wash, 1:03; Druce, Wash, 4:54; Zalapski, Pit, 10:13; Bondra, Wash, 12:30; Trottier, Pit, 4:46; Ciccarelli, Wash, 16:02; Johnson, Pit, 16:02; Errey, Pit, (double minor-spearing), 18:44; Rouse, Wash, 18:44.

Third period-6, Washington, Miller 1 (Ridley, Lalor), 7:04; 7, Pittsburgh, Mullen 1 (Recchi, Stevens); 8, Washington, Zezel 1 (Ciccarelli, Rouse), 12:07; 9, Pittsburgh, Stevens 2 (Recchi, Cullen), 12:45; 10, Pittsburgh, Recchi 1 (Cullen, Stevens), 14:37; 11, Pittsburgh, Recchi 2 (Cullen, Stevens), 19:24. Penalties-Rouse, Wash, 8:55; Cullen, Pit, 10:28.

Shots on goal-Pittsburgh 11-6-12-29. Washington 5-8-11-24.
Power-play conversions-Pittsburgh 7-2. Washington 6-3.
Goaltenders-Pittsburgh, Barrasso. Washington, Liut. A-17,772.
Referee-Dan Marouelli.

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#90279u0093 10/06/1990 ~United Press International
LANDOVER, Md. (OCT. 6) UPI - One victory does not make team shrug off the loss of a player like Mario Lemieux, but it sure makes living without the scoring machine a little easier.

Kevin Stevens scored two goals, including the game-winner with 7:15 left in the game, and assisted on four others Friday night to pace the Pittsburgh Penguins to a season-opening 7-4 victory Friday over the Washington Capitals.

Lemieux, the team's top scorer the last six seasons, will likely be out through December with an ailing back. The victory also came in Bob Johnson's first game as the Penguins' coach. He coached the Calgary Flames for five seasons from 1982-83 through 1986-87.

''It was a good start,'' Johnson said. ''We came back and I'm happy about that.'' Stevens, who scored 29 goals last season, was pleased the Penguins could produce so well without Lemieux: ''We wanted to get off to a good start because everyone was doubting us.''

John Cullen added five assists for the Penguins.

Stevens' second goal put Pittsburgh up 5-4. Capitals goalie Mike Liut had little chance as Stevens blasted his shot from only 10 feet out in front of the net.

''We fell a goal behind and we started to gamble,'' said Capitals coach Terry

Murray, starting his first full season at Washington after taking the helm Jan. 15 and leading the team to the Patrick Division playoff title.

Mark Recchi added two insurance goals less than two minutes later for the Penguins, both assisted by Cullen and Stevens.

It was only 38 seconds before Stevens' game-winning goal that the Caps had tied the score at 4-4 on a goal by Peter Zezel.

Stevens scored the game's first goal at 4:58 thanks to a poor pass by Capitals defenseman Kevin Hatcher, who only joined the team this week following a contract dispute.

Cullen grabbed Hatcher's attempted clearing pass with his left glove, and got the puck to Stevens in front of the net, who scored on a backhander to the left of Liut that grazed off the goal post.

The Capitals, on a power play, took less than two minutes to tie the game at 1-1. Dale Hunter backhanded the puck past goalie Tom Barrasso at close range.

Paul Coffey, one of hockey's best scoring defensemen, put the Penguins back on top, 2-1, at 8:36. Coffey scored from close in after receiving a pass from Stevens behind the Capitals net.

Pittsburgh outshot Washington 11-5 in the first 20 minutes and 29-24 for the game.

The Patrick Division rivals exchanged power-play goals in the second period. Penguin center Barry Pederson, who scored only six goals in 54 games last season, went unchallenged when he beat Liut to his right with five minutes gone in the period.

The Capitals narrowed the Penguins' advantage to 3-2 on Mike Ridley's scoring shot from in front.

Among those scouting the game was Detroit Red Wings coach and general manager Bryan Murray, who was fired as coach of the Capitals late last year and replaced by his brother, Terry Murray.

The Red Wings play the Capitals Saturday in Landover.

''Of course, I'm interested because of Terry,'' Bryan Murray said between periods 2 and 3. ''I want my team to do well here tomorrow. But they're young and it's tough coming in here.''

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#90279u0111 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Baseball

Boston - Cut pitcher Wes Gardner and Joe Hesketh from playoff roster.

Los Angeles - Named Terry Reynolds director of scouting.

Milwaukee - Announced that coaches Don Baylor, Ray Burris, Duffy Dyer, Andy Etchebarren and Larry Haney will return for the 1991; named Tony Muser manager at Denver of the American Association (AAA).

New York (AL) - Released infielder Wayne Tolleson and outfielder Claudell Washington; added to 40-man roster: infielder Pat Kelly, outfielders Bernie Williams and Gerald Williams and pitcher Wade Taylor.

Philadelphia - Outrighted pitchers Brad Moore and Scott Service, catcher Tom Nieto and outfielders Curt Ford and Louie Meadows to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre of the International League.

Basketball

Atlanta - Announced retirement of guard John Lucas.

Boston - Signed guards Kevin Gamble, Charles Smith and Carrick DeHart.

Dallas - Signed guard Steve Alford to a 1- year contract.

Denver - Signed forwards Jerome Lane and Anthony Cook; agreed to terms with forward Joe Wolf.

LA Clippers - Neglected to match Denver's offer sheet to Joe Wolf.

La Crosse (CBA) - Signed forward Bill Martin.

Miami - Agreed to terms of a five-year contract with forward Alec Kessler.

Orlando - Signed guard Scott Skiles and center Mark Acres.

Pensacola (CBA) - Signed guards Troy Truvillion and Larry Howzer.

College

ECAC - Approved membership of Albertus Magnus College; named Bob Deming president-elect.

Edinboro - Announced resignation of wrestling coach Mike Deanna.

Prairie View - Named Luther Booker football coach.

Football

Green Bay - Suspended running bak Herman Fontenot for two weeks for unexcused absence from practice and team meetings.

Los Angeles - Placed running back Marcus Dupree on injured reserve; activated cornerback Jerry Gray from the injured reserve.

NFL - Fined Cincinnati Coach Sam Wyche one-seventeenth of his salary for banning a female reporter from locker room.

Philadelphia - Waived lineman Carl Dawson; signed defensive lineman Horacio Moronta to its practice squad.

Pittsburgh - Placed linebacker A.J Jenkins on injured reserve; activated linebacker Eddie Miles from the practice roster.

Hockey

Los Angeles - Released center Mike Allison.

Minnesota - Reassigned left wingers Darcy Norton and Clark Donatelli to San Diego of the International Hockey League.

Washington - Returned goalie Jim Hrivnak and defensmen Bobby Babcock Chris Felix to Baltimore of the American Hockey League.

Horse Racing

Missouri Commission - Announced resignation of director Joe Gorajec.

Soccer

San Diego (MSL) - Signed midfielder Thien Nguyen.

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#90279u0114 10/06/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 6) UPI - BASEBALL POSTSEASON SCHEDULE

(All times EDT)
(Best of seven series)
NL Championship Series
(Series tied 1-1)
Oct. 4 - Pittsburgh 4, Cincinnati 3
Oct. 5 - Cincinnati 2, Pittsburgh 1
Oct. 8 - Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 3:18 p.m.
Oct. 9 - Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 8:30 p.m.
x-Oct. 10 - Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 8:30 p.m.
x-Oct. 12 - Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 8:30 p.m.
x-Oct. 13 - Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 8:30 p.m.

AL Championship Series
Oct. 6 - Oakland at Boston, 8:30 p.m.
Oct. 7 - Oakland at Boston, 8:25 p.m.
Oct. 9 - Boston at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.
Oct. 10 - Boston at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.
x-Oct. 11 - Boston at Oakland, 8:25 p.m.
x-Oct. 13 - Oakland at Boston, 12:15 p.m.
x-Oct. 14 - Oakland at Boston, 8:25 p.m.

World Series
Game 1 - Oct. 16 at NL, 8 p.m.
Game 2 - Oct. 17 at NL, 8 p.m.
Game 3 - Oct. 19 at AL, 8 p.m.
Game 4 - Oct. 20 at AL, 8 p.m.
x-Game 5 - Oct. 21 at AL, 8 p.m.
x-Game 6 - Oct. 23 at NL, 8 p.m.
x-Game 7 - Oct. 24 at NL, 8 p.m.
x-if necessary

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#90279u0120 10/06/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 6) UPI - The Senate Friday night joined the House in its challenge to President Bush's threat to shut down the federal government if NO new budget deficit agreement was reached by midnight. But the White House later said Bush would NOT sign any new stop-gap measures designed to keep the government running.

Hours of talks in New York between U-S and Soviet officials failed to produce an agreement on reducing strategic weapons. Secretary of State Baker says he expects the UNresolved details to be ironed out later this year. Both Baker and his Soviet counterpart, Eduard Shevardnadze, expressed hope that an

agreement could be reached by year's end.

Forecasters in Miami say Hurricane Klaus may produce flash floods and trigger mudslides on the northeastern islands of the Caribbean. Klaus's torrential rains have been blamed for half-a-dozen deaths in the Lesser Antilles... and forecasters say it could threaten the southeastern United States within five days.

NASA engineers are keeping their eyes peeled for leaks after the start of high-speed fueling Friday night on the shuttle Discovery. Spotlights were illuminating the Discovery on its Cape Canaveral launch pad during the fueling operation for Saturday morning's launch to place the Ulysses solar probe into orbit.

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#90279u0121 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - A rebel Philippine army officer who surrendered to authorities Saturday says he takes full responsibility for the two-day uprising on the southern island of Mindanao. Colonel Alexander Noble asked for kind treatment of his men. But a government official says Noble will face the full force of the law.

Use a barbecue... go to jail. The law is NOT that tough in Southern California but one smog official made that quip as he cast the lone dissenting vote Friday against a measure seeking to reduce the pollution created by barbecues. The measure outlaws the use of charcoal lighter fluid and pre-soaked briquettes.

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#90279u0167 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - All but essential federal services are being shut down after the government, in effect, ran out of money at midnight when an earlier temporary funding bill expired. Friday night, President Bush made good on his vow NOT to sign a second stop-gap spending bill passed earlier in the evening by Congress without lawmakers agreeing first to a budget deficit reduction plan.

Early moments of the fueling of the shuttle Discovery appear normal. But engineers at Cape Canaveral, Florida, remain on the lookout for leaks, and they WON'T know if Discovery is leak-free until some time after the start of high-speed pumping. Officials are optimistic Saturday morning's blastoff will occur as scheduled... saying the only remaining question is will the weather cooperate.

The Palestine Liberation Organization is accusing the U-N Security Council of a ''double standard'' in dealing with the Persian Gulf crisis and the

Palestinian problems in the Israeli-occupied territories. The P- L-O wants to link solutions to the two problems. .

That idea- suggested some time ago by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein - was reiterated Friday by an Iraqi U-N official during a hard-line address to the General Assembly. The envoy also accused the United States of leading a Western alliance that's trying to take over oil fields in the Persian Gulf.

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#90279u0168 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - The Coast Guard says an 80-thousand-gallon diesel fuel spill near the mouth of the Columbia River in Astoria, Oregon, might break up without any significant damaging effects. The spill occured after the 334-foot tanker Contessa ran into a storm earlier this week... injuring three crew members.

The executive director of the Anchorage, Alaska, regional chapter of the American Red Cross says the group is stunned by revelations that a 300-thousand-dollar anonymous gift turned out to be embezzled money. The money was donated in two 150-thousand-dollar contributions placed in the Red Cross account at an Anchorage bank.

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#90279u0173 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 6) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and Secretary of State James Baker said they were unable to reach an accord on strategic weapons because of unresolved details but expect to iron out the issues later this year.

Both expressed hope to hold more talks on the long-range, nuclear weapons and conclude an agreement on Strategic Arms Reduction Talks by year's end.

''We made some good progress on this today (Friday) and there are some very good possibilities,'' said Baker, standing alongside his Soviet counterpart outside the U.S. Mission to the United Nations.

The two ministers announced Wednesday an agreement in principle on conventional forces that would drastically cut the number of troops, aircraft, artillery and armored vehicles in Europe. Baker said at the time that ''only peripheral'' issues remained.

Shevardnaze said for the final stage of the strategic weapons talks, ''very, very detailed work is necessary. Therefore it shouldn't be any surprise to you we were not able to reach agreement on every and all things.''

Baker said, ''As far as START is concerned, 'non-circumvention' issues have

not been finally concluded.''

These issues include the transfer of Trident nuclear submarines to Britain, a move opposed by the Soviet Union.

Baker expressed hope ongoing negotiations in Geneva will be able to close the gap. ''If we're able to do that then a number of other issues that were outstanding will be able to fall into place.

''Once we've reached agreement on this other issue, and I think as I indicated just a minute ago, we made good progress on non-circumvention, but we're not quite there yet,'' he said.

The two officials interrupted their Friday meeting at 4:45 p.m. after talking for more than four hours at the Soviet mission to the United Nations in order to dedicate a sculpture marking the ending of the Cold War. The sculpture was erected on the north garden of the U.N. headquarters.

They resumed their talks two hours later at the U.S. mission to the United Nations.

Baker told reporters that the two sides had made ''very good progress'' on conventional, or non-nuclear, arms.

One remaining issue was determining how many Soviet troops will be allowed to be stationed near the Norwegian border.

Another point involves helicopters and how they fit into the overall aircraft limit, which is about 6,700 for both sides. The sub-limit on helicopters, within that overall number, will be about 2,000, but there is a continuing dispute about how to count the various types.

At issue is whether a helicopter gunship can be counted the same as a troop-carrier like the Huey helicopter and how do both sides ensure that a troop carrier, such as the Huey, is not transformed into a gunship by strapping rocket pods to its side.

In a photo opportunity inside the Soviet mission to the United Nations Friday morning, Baker told reporters, ''I hope we can make some progress today.''

Shevardnadze added: ''I think as regards the Vienna talks so far as the Soviet-American bilateral positions are concerned, we will complete the work today.''

''I'll agree to that,'' Baker said. ''We've already had discussions with regard to the withdrawal of equipment before the treaty is executed. We have some understandings that cover that. I think if we are not in complete agreement, we are very close to complete agreement.''

The remaining issues in the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks include verification, meaning how to accurately inspect weapons that are being limited but not eliminated; the Soviet-made ''Backfire'' bomber, which Washington wants it included in the treaty while Moscow opposes.

Another issue is modernization of heavy missiles, including the Soviet deadliest missile SS-18, which is the only existing weapon that fits into that ''heavy'' category. The Soviet Union, which is now up to Mod 6 in their successive generations, wants the right to ''modernize'' even further through testing. The United States wants to limit flight testing, since that is the best way to halt advances in missile design.

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The small child was killed and the couple was being treated in Soweto's Baragwanath Hospital, he said.

''We don't know the motive for the attack or if these three people were even the targets,'' Mariemuthoo said. ''We've been told these people were related in some way to Nelson Mandela, so we are also working on that angle. We're investigating all possibilities.''

Zinzi Mandela, who reported the attack from the Mandela family home, noted she was not ''immediately related'' to the grandson.

There is no record of a Modi Mandela among Mandela's 12 grandchildren - seven from his first marriage and five from his present one, to Winnie. An ANC spokesman said ''The man could be part of a more extended family, or regarded as family in some way.''

Mandela is chieftain of the Madiba clan, which is a scion of the Xhosa tribe, and scores of people in the original southeast-coast tribal territory of the Transkei bear his surname.

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(OCT. 6) UPI - The man who led a seventh bid to overthrow Philippine President Aquino surrendered today. Military officials say 240 rebels involved in the two-day rebellion on the southern island of Mindanao also gave up. The chief general of the Philippine Armed Forces said- ''the pocket rebellion is over.''

U-S Customs says agents set a record for a border cocaine seizure, finding nearly four tons of the drug in a propane tanker truck at the U- S-Mexican border. The bust came yesterday after inspectors noticed the tanker was unusually overweight. The driver of the truck walked off and remains at large.

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The National Institutes of Health says it will conduct a formal investigation into wheter a scientist credited for helping discover the AIDS virus copied another researcher's virus. The agency says an initial inquiry disputed allegations Dr. Robert Gallo copied the work of a French researcher.

A spokesman says Emmy Award-winning television director Rudy Vejar died this week of respiratory failure in Burbank, California. Vejar helped produce the daytime television drama ''Generations'' and worked on another T-V soap- ''The Young and the Restless.'' Vejar was 57.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL. (OCT. 6) UPI - The leak-free shuttle Discovery ended a long launch drought and rocketed toward orbit Saturday with a five-man crew to dispatch a European probe on a voyage over the uncharted poles of the sun.

Showing no signs of the hydrogen fuel leaks that grounded the shuttle program all summer, Discovery thundered away from launch pad 39B at 7:47 a.m. EDT, 12 minutes late because of concern about rainy weather and a last minute technical glitch.

At the controls were commander Richard ''Dick'' Richards, 44, and co- pilot Robert Cabana, 41. Seated behind the pilots on Discovery's flight deck were William Shepherd, 41, and Bruce Melnick, 40, with crewmate Thomas Akers, 39, strapped in alone on the ship's lower deck.

Nestled in the shuttle's cargo bay was the European Space Agency's nuclear-powered Ulysses probe, the centerpiece of an unprecedented $750 million mission to study the poles of the sun. The robot spacecraft is to give scientists their first three-dimensional look at Earth's life- giving star.

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But the price is high. ESA spent $250 million on the probe and NASA chipped in another $500 million to cover the cost of the shuttle launch and the spacecraft's unique $87 million three-stage booster.

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To understand the problem for astronomers, imagine trying to gain a complete understanding of the forces shaping Earth and its environment by only looking at the planet from the vicinity of its equator.

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BEIRUT, LEBANON (OCT. 6) UPI - The respected Lebanese daily An-Nahar reported Saturday that a number of foreign hostages held in secret hideouts on Lebanese soil could be set free next week.

An-Nahar, quoting ''well-connected'' sources, said ''a number of foreign captives held in Lebanon, including Anglican envoy Terry Waite, may be freed next week.''

''The hostage release would indicate a development in international interest concerning the Lebanese crisis,'' An-Nahar said.

The new report on a possible hostage release could not be confirmed.

Friday, Britain's Foreign Office denied a report that London intended to resume ties with Syria over the plight of three British captives.

The office branded as speculation a report by a well-connected Lebanese newspaper, Ad-Diyar, that kidnapped Britons would be freed shortly after the restoration of British-Syrian ties next week.

A key fundamentalist figure in Beirut reported that Syrian President Hafez Assad during a recent visit to Tehran asked the Iranians to refrain from exerting efforts to free hostages until London resumes ties with his country.

There are 12 Western hostages, including Waite, held in Lebanon by zealots believed affiliated with the Iranian-funded Hezbollah group.

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Mandela's daughter Zinzi earlier said the toddler was her father's great-granddaughter, but an ANC official said the child was regarded as such only in tribal terms and was not directly descended from the ANC leader.

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Eight and a half minutes later, Discovery's three main engines shut down on schedule and at 8:29 a.m. the shuttle's twin maneuvering rockets fired for two minutes, putting the ship in a circular orbit 184 miles up. The maneuver completed NASA's first launch since April.

''We're obviously pleased,'' said launch director Robert Sieck. ''The mood? I don't know whether you would say is one of euphoria or relief. But it's certainly good to be back in the air again and on orbit. The team worked real hard for this. They earned it and they got their reward.''

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ATLANTA (OCT. 6) UPI - New Coke, packaged in red, white and blue colors and sporting a new name - Coke II - has again failed, but marketers say the cola that has become a business nightmare also is the drink that will not die.

Marketing experts said Friday the company will keep marketing the drink created to replace the original formula. The attempted change in 1985 created a national outcry, leading the company to bring the original formula back as Coca-Cola Classic.

Coke II's most recent failure came in Spokane, Wash., where the new marketing plan was launched in April. In mid-May the cola had a 1.3 percent share of the city's market, but by the middle of August the brand had slipped to a 1.1 share, said Information Resources Inc., a Chicago research company.

Coke II is seen by many as an attempt to lure Pepsi fans into the Coca-Cola camp. The new packaging even boldly proclaims, ''Real Cola Tast Plus the

Sweetness of Pepsi.''

''Even if this (Spokane) test doesn't work, I doubt they'd pull the brand off the market,'' said Al Ries, a Connecticut marketing consultant. ''I think they'll continue to fiddle with it. They don't want to withdraw it completely from the market because it would leave them open to the Pepsi Challenge.''

Coca-Cola created a new formula despite its large market lead because Pepsi consistently beat Coke in Pepsi Challenge taste tests.

Coca-Cola executives did not return telephone calls seeking comment.

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MANILA PHILIPPINES (OCT. 6) UPI - President Corazon Aquino ordered the court martial Saturday of the leader of the seventh uprising against her and urged the Philippine Congress to swiftly pass a law increasing penalties for rebellion.

In a nationally televised address, Aquino announced the unconditional surrender of Army Col. Alexander Noble after his 48-hour takeover of two cities in Mindanao and his proclamation of the country's second largest island as an independent federal republic.

''There was no way out unless he was willing to die. Obviously he was not willing to die,'' said Aquino, who has crushed six other coup attempts since she took power in a civilian-backed military revolt in 1986.

''He miscalculated, mistaking the sound from his own band of civilian cheerleaders as people's acceptance. He miscalculated in expecting that corollary supportive action from fellow renegades and mercenaries would follow '' Aquino said.

Hours after Noble's surrender, one person was wounded in an explosion that ripped through a jeep parked inside suburban Camp Aguinaldo, the Philippine Armed Forces headquarters.

Armed Forces chief Gen. Renato de Villa said troops remain on the maximum state of readiness clamped on military camps across the nation following the rebellion in Mindanao, while mopping up operations were continuing in the island.

Noble, 42, Aquinos former deputy security chief, walked out at 3 a.m. at the garrison in Cagayan de Oro in Mindanao, 500 miles south of Manila, he had occupied since Thursday after taking Butuan east of the city.

Accompanied by priests and local officials who negotiated his surrender, Noble

gave up to Sen. Aquilino Pimentel, a former mayor of the city, at the provincial capitol.

Also surrendering with Noble was Col. Victor Erfe, 43, a classmate in the Philippine Military Academy who has been implicated in previous coup attempts.

Opposition politician Reuben Canoy, leader of the Mindanao Independence Movement who helped Noble launch the uprising, was captured at the VIP hotel in Cagayan de Oro.

Noble and Erfe were flown to Manila for investigation at suburban Camp Aguinaldo.

Aquino's Executive Secretary Catalino Macaraig said Noble and Erfe would face a court martial. Canoy will be charged with rebellion before a civilian court.

Aquino called on Congress to pass immediately laws she had recommended for urgent approval in December increasing penalties for rebellion and making a coup attempt a capital crime.

Noble took over Cagayan de Oro and Butuan without firing a shot before dawn Thursday. But after warplanes bombed Butuan Friday, he decided to surrender.

''I am asking kind treatment for my men,'' Noble said. ''I am taking full responsibility.''

The only fatality reported during the uprising was a pilot killed when his plane crashed in the central island of Cebu while returning to base from a mission in Cagayan de Oro.

Armed forces chief Gen. Renato de Villa said 240 soldiers and militiamen have either surrendered or have been captured and only mopping up operations remained.

He said Col. Hercules Galon, commander of Butuan, and Brig. Gen. Miguel Sol, commander of Cagayan de Oro, were undergoing investigation for abandonment of their posts.

Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos said the expected support from army supporters, communist guerrillas and Moslem separatists Noble was counting on did not materialize, dooming the rebellion.

De Villa urged Noble's men still at large to surrender.

''It is not a pleasant task to fight your own kind, but for those who insist on violence, we will have to use force if necessary,'' de Villa said.

Aquino thanked the United States, Japan and countries in Asia and Europe that

immediately expressed support for her government at the outbreak of the uprising.

The United States provided air support for Aquino in quelling the December uprising in which 119 people were killed and more than 500 were wounded.

Noble, in mounting the coup, accused the government of corruption and inefficiency - a charge previous mutineers had voiced.

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(OCT. 6) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE WORLD - SATURDAY

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Oct. 6:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen r	1pm	47	08
Amsterdam cy	1pm	64	18
Ankara c	3pm	73	23
Athens c	2pm	78	25
Auckland cy	12m	57	14
Beijing c	8pm	64	18
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	65	18
Bonn c	1pm	68	20
Brussels pc	1pm	60	15
Cairo c	2pm	87	31
Casablanca pc	12n	75	24
Copenhagen r	1pm	56	14
Dakar ts	12n	73	23
Dublin r	1pm	52	11
Geneva c	1pm	60	15
Helsinki fg	2pm	48	09
Hong Kong c	8pm	81	27
Jerusalem c	2pm	88	31
Karachi c	5pm	88	31
Lisbon c	1pm	74	24
London cy	1pm	63	17
Madrid c	1pm	69	21
Malta cy	1pm	78	26
Manila pc	8pm	77	25
Moscow cy	3pm	47	09
Nairobi pc	3pm	80	27
Nassau c	7am	80	27
New Delhi c	6pm	89	32

Nice c	1pm	71	22
Oslo c	1pm	55	13
Paris c	1pm	59	15
Pretoria pc	2pm	89	32
Riyadh	3pm	99	37
Rome pc	1pm	76	24
Seoul c	9pm	69	20
Sofia pc	2pm	72	22
Stockholm cy	1pm	51	11
Sydney cy	10pm	58	14
Taipei c	8pm	72	22
Tokyo cy	9pm	74	23
Tunis pc	1pm	82	28
Vienna cy	1pm	56	13
Warsaw c	1pm	58	14

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	56	13
Caracas	8am	71	22
Havana c	7am	77	25
Lima cy	7am	62	17
Mexico City hz	6am	54	12
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	80	27
Santiago	8am	45	07

Canada

Calgary r		34	01
Edmonton cy		32	00
Montreal		--	-
Ottawa cy		63	17
Regina pc		51	10
Toronto pc		71	21
Vancouver cy		56	13
Winnipeg pc		52	11

c-clear cy-cloudy d-dust fy-foggy
hz-haze pc-partly cloudy r-rain s-snow
w-windy

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#90279u0320 10/06/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 6) UPI - Much of the federal government is shutting down today as a result of the refusal of President Bush to approve a temporary spending bill. A White House spokesman says Bush is trying to force Congress into coming up with a deficit reduction plan. Until then, automatic spending cuts take effect. Bush plans to continue payments for air traffic controllers and Operation Desert Shield in the Middle East.

The shuttle Discovery is fueled up and its crew strapped in for takeoff this morning. Engineers topped off the fuel tank this morning withOUT detecting any leaks. The launch is scheduled for early this morning at Cape Canaveral... where forecasters estimate a 40 percent chance of clouds and rain that could force a delay. A successful launch will end five months withOUT a shuttle flight.

A grenade blast has killed the infant great-granddaughter of South African black leader Nelson Mandela. Mandela's daughter Zinzi Mandela told of the death from her home in Soweto. She said the blast tore through the child's Soweto home and killed her as she slept this morning. NO further details are available. Mandela was due to leave his home today, also in Soweto, for violence-torn Natal province.

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#90279u0322 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

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Forecasters say a killer hurricane COULD threaten the southeastern United States. The National Weather Service says Hurricane Klaus is over open waters in the Atlantic... but is moving northwest at a rate that could bring it to the U-S coast by Wednesday. Its maximum sustained winds are near 75 miles-an-hour. The storm's torrential rains are blamed for six deaths in the Lesser Antilles.

The port of Monrovia, Liberia, is sufficiently secure to allow badly needed

food supplies to arrive by sea. So says the commander of the West African peace-keeping force. The commander issued that assessment yesterday... five days after Charles Taylor's rebel forces launched their most recent artillery attack on the port. Thousands of people have been left hungry and sick by the civil war and need supplies.

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#90279u0367 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - The White House says it can order essential federal workers to report to work without legal spending authority. But Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell says his party may challenge the move, which he calls a ''serious matter.'' .

The dispute comes as all but essential federal services are shutting down, with the government out of money. President Bush refused to sign a temporary spending bill to replace the one that expired at midnight.

The space agency is hoping to put an end to five months without a shuttle launch today at Cape Canaveral. The space agency has pumped a half-Million gallons of rocket fuel aboard the shuttle Discovery... with NO sign of dangerous hydrogen leaks. It is to be launched this morning.

Nelson Mandela's daughter says a grenade blast ripped through a home in Soweto South Africa, killing the black leader's great-granddaughter. Zinzi Mandela says the explosion early today killed the one-year-old girl as she slept.

Philippine President Corazon Aquino says there was NO way out for a rebellious colonel unless- as she put it- ''he was willing to die.'' Aquino announced the news of Alexander Nobel's surrender while ordering his court martial.

A contender for a U-S Senate seat says Republican officials in Louisiana are playing dirty pool. Many Republican party officials have endorsed the Democrat in today's election, saying former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke is racist.

Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze says weapons are now works of art as a reminder of ''monsters the world has destroyed.'' Shevardnadze gave the United Nations a sculpture made of dismantled Soviet and U-S nuclear missiles.

A Soviet foreign ministry spokesman says Iraq probably thought it would have Moscow's backing as it invaded Kuwait. But the spokesman says Saddam Hussein failed to realize the Soviet Union NO longer opposes all U-S positions.

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 6) UPI - A veteran astronaut fears the public views the space program as entertainment rather than a vehicle for the serious

advancement of science and space exploration.

Astronaut Kathryn Sullivan, who has made two space flights, says many youngsters think flying in space is impressive but lose interest when the subject turns to space-related jobs and the skills needed to hold them.

''If they can buy a ticket and go 'into space', that's OK, but the investment 'as a profession' seems hefty,'' said Sullivan, a marine geologist, during an appearance at Texas Christian University Friday.

''It's an exciting place to be, a challenging place to be, but a smaller and smaller number of people come to take the challenge,'' she said.

Sullivan said she is concerned about the general lack of interest in math and science. She urged parents to find ways to tempt their children into space-related occupations and to pressure schools to provide the skills that children need to enter those fields.

The nation needs to look at its priorities and recognize that space exploration has a long-term role in advancing science and economics, she said.

Sullivan also conceded that NASA may have some lean days ahead because of the war potential in the Middle East and the budget debate.

''It's a temptation and all too easy to let the immediate short-term problems ... distract us from the long term,'' the 12-year astronaut said. ''That's how people wreck their health. I see it on a human scale all the time.''

Those who work for NASA do so out of loyalty, dedication and commitment to the nation, Sullivan said. ''We could earn twice the money in outside jobs.''

She said the program is sound, despite recent problems with hydrogen leaks in fuel systems that grounded the space shuttle for several months.

''We have had hydrogen leaks before and they are elusive,'' she said. ''But the overall batting average at NASA is exceptional.''

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(OCT. 6) UPI - Party officials in Guatemala say an opposition candidate was NOT hurt when UNknown assailants fired a machine-gun. The former interior minister now running for Congress was traveling in an armored car during the attack.

An influential group is offering to mediate talks with Colombia's cocaine cartel. Two former presidents and a Catholic Church representative are among those proposing negotiations to win the release of seven kidnapped reporters.

The world's largest industrial auctioneer says it's possibly the biggest auction ever held. Exxon oil spill cleanup materials will go on the block Tuesday in Alaska, where potential bidders are already inspecting the goods.

A financial consulting firm says the final cost of the nation's thrift crisis will be much higher than current estimates. The report released in Austin, Texas, says the S-and-L debacle will also be a burden to future generations.

A Los Angeles mother is being held on charges of assaulting her daughter's kindergarten teacher. Police say the six-foot, 240-pound mother grabbed the 64-year-old woman and threw her to the classroom floor after an argument.

Prosecutors in Painesville, Ohio, say the son of cult leader Jeffrey Don Lundgren will NOT be eligible for parole for 105 years. Damon Lundgren was sentenced to life in prison for his part in killing a five- member family.

Politicians who once worked in East Germany are seeing fatter paychecks in a united Germany. Officials say former East German politicians will be earning salaries undreamed of under communism.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 6) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Notre Dame (45) (3-0)	814	1
2.	Florida State (10) (4-0)	779	2
3.	Nebraska (4-0)	625	6
4.	Michigan (2-1)	611	7
5.	Virginia (5-0)	593	8
6.	Auburn (2-0-1)	580	3
7.	Tennessee (3-0-2)	553	5
8.	Miami (1) (2-1)	515	9
9.	Colorado (3-1-1)	281	16
10.	Brigham Young (4-1)	279	4
11.	Southern Cal (3-1)	216	14
12.	Illinois (2-1)	200	15
13.	Clemson (4-1)	150	18
14.	Washington (3-1)	128	11
15.	Texas A&M (3-1)	96	10
16.	Arkansas (2-1)	48	21
17.	Oregon (3-1)	45	NR
18.	Georgia Tech (3-0)	42	NR
19.	Michigan State (1-1-1)	37	20

20. Fresno State (5-0)	36	19
21. Arizona (3-1)	16	13
22. Indiana (3-0)	15	NR
23. Mississippi (3-1)	12	21
24. Wyoming (5-0)	11	23
25. Ohio State (2-1)	10	12

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: Arizona State, Georgia, Iowa, Louisiana State, San Jose State, South Carolina, Texas.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances or postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches. Those schools are Florida, Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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#90279u0382 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 6) UPI - Police surrounded a crowded shopping center outside Washington, D.C., Saturday after a gunman barricaded himself inside a restaurant, seized a manager and traded shots with police.

The standoff began about 9 a.m. as stores in the Plaza 7 shopping center were opening for business. Police negotiators maintained contact with the gunman as a police helicopter hovered overhead.

Police SWAT teams cordoned off the area and scores of spectators watched from a safe distance. Two ambulances and several paramedics waited nearby.

The gunman, who also was suspected of breaking into a house overnight in nearby McClean, took a restaurant manager hostage and exchanged gunfire with a police officer at the rear of the shopping center, said Warren Carmichael, spokesman for the Fairfax County Police Department.

Police said they did not believe anyone other than the restaurant manager was inside with the gunman. Another man left the shopping center earlier in the standoff but his role in the incident was not immediately clear.

The shopping center is home to a number of Vietnamese businesses and a popular gathering place for refugees who fled Vietnam in the 1970s.

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#90279u0385 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 6) UPI - A defiant President Bush vetoed a stop-gap spending bill Saturday and defended his decision to virtually shut down the government, promising ''no more business as usual'' until Congress passes a budget he can accept.

Congress, meeting in an rare Saturday session, scheduled a vote on whether to override Bush's veto later in the day. The House vote was set for about 4 p.m. EDT with the Senate to follow if the House overrides the veto.

Bush, talking with reporters at the White House, said he would sign a temporary spending bill to fund the government if the measure allowed automatic spending cuts required by the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law to take effect.

But House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., told reporters that congressional Democratic leaders would not accept such a bill because they oppose the imposition of the spending cuts while they search for an alternative to a bipartisan budget plan defeated by the House Friday.

''No, it's not acceptable,'' Foley said. ''We do not think there should be any interruption of the federal government or any imposition of sequestration.''

As federal agencies, parks and tourist sites began closing their doors and gates, Bush sent a letter to Congress demanding that they end the fiscal crisis by promptly passing a new budget resolution.

Complaining about dozens of previous stop-gap spending bills, Bush said: ''Responsible congressional action to reduce the deficit can be delayed no longer. It is time for the Congress to act responsibly on a budget resolution - not time for business as usual.''

The House and Senate, by wide margins, passed the stop-gap spending bill late Friday, less than 24 hours after the House overwhelmingly rejected the bipartisan deficit-cutting budget pushed by the president.

The measure, had it been signed, would have provided funding to keep the government operating for seven days, would have delayed the expiration of the government's ability to borrow money and would have prevented the automatic cuts from taking effect.

Foley declined to predict whether Democrats would be able to get the two-thirds vote in the House to override the veto, but Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas insisted enough Senate Republicans would stand by the president to sustain the veto.

As Congress prepared for the showdown vote on the veto, leaders of both

parties continued meetings aimed at finding an acceptable alternate budget plan to replace the bipartisan budget defeated in the House on Friday.

Foley said there was a chance that leaders could reach agreement sometime Saturday but said it could take until Sunday.

He criticized Bush's decision to veto the bill, calling the move ''unnecessary unjustified, harmful to the negotiating process of reaching a bipartisan (budget) agreement and to millions of Americans.

But Bush was defiant in defense of the veto that shut down of virtually all but essential government services and led to an uproar from some in Congress and to anger from tourists in Washington and elsewhere who found the doors to popular museums and parks locked Saturday.

''No more business as usual,'' Bush said. ''I am absolutely convinced this is right. And even those who are inconvenienced by this are going to say thank God we are getting the American people's business done. Sometimes you got to take a little heat.''

Foley rejected Bush's ''business as usual'' allegation, saying Congress was meeting on the weekend and that leaders had been busy trying to reach another budget compromise. He said the temporary spending bill Bush vetoed was only for a week, not the rest of the year, and should have been signed.

Bush, continuing to blame Congress for the budget impasse, said he made a mistake in July when he acquiesed to the pleas of congressional leaders who urged him not to keep lawmakers in session to work on the budget during its traditional month-long August recess.

''I'm not going to do it anymore,'' he said, referring to congressional requests that he not veto the spending bill.

Asked how long he can take the heat of keeping the government closed until a budget agreement is reached, Bush said, ''It's not a question of how long I can take it. It's a question of how long the Congress can take it.''

He said the American people outside Washington ''are fed up with business as usual and so am I.''

On Sept. 30, the day Bush and the bipartisan leaders of Congress announced agreement on a joint budget compromise, Congress passed and the president signed a five-day spending bill to keep the government running through midnight Friday, to delay the Gramm-Rudman cuts and to continue government borrowing authority, which was about to expire.

But the House defeated the bipartisan budget plan early Friday, meaning another temporary money bill was needed to keep the government operating

beyond midnight, when agencies legally ran out of spending authority.

That bill is the one Bush vetoed Saturday.

The federal government began shutting down all but essential services at 12:01 a.m. EDT Saturday, when it technically became broke because Congress had not passed a budget and agencies had no legal spending authority.

Bush, in vetoing the stop-gap spending bill, said: ''I urge the Congress to concentrate its energies on passing a satisfactory budget resolution,'' with enactment of such a package no later than Oct. 19.

Dole said he would seek approval of a stop-gap spending bill that included about $40 billion in Gramm-Rudman spending cuts, a move Foley rejected.

Foley said he and Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine and House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri said they urged Bush during their meeting Saturday to sign the stop-gap measure that would waive the automatic spending cuts and prevent unpaid furloughs of thousands of federal workers.

But Bush refused and vetoed the measure instead.

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(OCT. 6) UPI - The shuttle Discovery lifted off this morning to end five months withOUT a shuttle launch. The ship thundered off the launch pad at Cape Canaveral, 12 minutes late because of concern about rainy weather and a last-minute technical problem. The ship showed NO signs of the leaks that grounded previous missions.

Americans planning on going to a national park today... or seeking federal service... may be in for a surprise. All but essential federal jobs are being shut down today following President Bush's refusal to sign a temporary spending bill. Automatic Gramm-Rudman spending cuts took effect at midnight.

President Bush has vetoed a bill to limit imports of textiles, clothes and shoes. The president said yesterday the protectionist bill would hurt the economy... lead to increased prices... and violate international trade agreements. Congress has so far been UNable to override any Bush veto.

South African police say attackers fired shotguns and tossed a grenade into the Soweto home of a family believed related to African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela today. An 18-month-old girl was killed in the attack. Police are investigating whether the crime was motivated by the family's relationship to Mandela.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and Secretary of State James Baker could NOT reach a strategic arms agreement yesterday at the U-N. But Baker reported progress. Shevardnadze optimistically says only detail work is left.

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#90279u0472 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

FALLS CHURCH, Va. (OCT. 6) UPI - Police Saturday surrounded a shopping center outside Washington, D.C., where a gunman held a restaurant manager hostage after releasing four other captives. A fifth person escaped.

No injuries were reported and police say they arrested the gunman's accomplice. Police negotiators were in contact with the gunman inside the restaurant, said Warren Carmichael, a spokesman for the Fairfax County Police Department.

The incident apparently started during the night when at least two men broke into a home in nearby McLean, burglarized it and then drove the owner to his jewelry store in the Plaza 7 shopping center, about 5 miles south of Washington.

The shopping center is home to predominantly Vietnamese businesses and is frequented by refugees who escaped the war-torn nation in the 1970s.

Police, responding to a call for help at the shopping center in mid- morning, arrested the accomplice as he tried to flee.

Later, they traded shots with the gunman in the rear of the shopping center, Carmichael said.

At that point the jewelry store owner escaped. The gunman raided a restaurant and held five people hostage before releasing all but the restaurant manager.

Melvin Dawson, a brick mason who was using a pay phone at a nearby service station, said he heard the shots and saw police take one man into custody.

''This guy came running down there in a brown jacket, a little old bitty guy and the police put him in the back of the paddy wagon,'' Dawson said.

Hundreds of spectators surrounded the shopping center, which was cordoned off by police. A police helicopter regularly circled the businesses and paramedics waited nearby.

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#90279u0475 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - A ranking Soviet envoy left Baghdad Saturday with assurances that some of the 5,000 Soviet citizens in Iraq will be allowed to go home but

apparently without a breakthrough in finding a peaceful settlement to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein met Friday with envoy Yevgeny Primakov, who reportedly gave him a message from President Mikhail Gorbachev that explained the Soviet position in the crisis and asked him to release the Soviet citizens.

''On instructions from the Soviet president, Primakov raised the question about the departure of Soviet specialists from Iraq,'' the official Soviet news agency Tass said. ''Hussein assured him that a group of Soviet citizens may leave for the U.S.S.R. in the near future.''

Iraq allowed four Germans to leave the country Friday.

Most of the 5,000 Soviets in Iraq are technicians and agriculturalists, but several hundred were military advisors who presumably have a store of sensative information about Iraqi military capabilities.

The Soviet Union, formerly Iraq's largest supplier of arms, has not joined the U.S.-led multinational military force but has supported U.N. resolutions to force Iraq out of Kuwait through economic sanctions.

''During a lengthy meeting, the Soviet side stressed that the U.S.S.R. is for a political settlement of the crisis, having in mind the return to a situation which existed before Aug. 2,'' Tass said in a dispatch from Baghdad.

But diplomats said the Soviet envoy left Baghdad without an apparent breakthrough.

In other developments Saturday:

-An Iraqi official said Iraq was considering putting Kuwaitis on Iraq's National Council, or Parliament. Sadi Muhdi Saleh, speaker of the council, told an Iraqi newspaper ''this matter is not complicated and only entails finding out the population statistics of Kuwait's election constituencies.''

-Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk Sharaa criticized Saddam Hussein for linking the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait with the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, saying the move will give Israel a chance to justify its control over the Arab areas.

-Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu was scheduled to arrive in Saudi Arabia on the last stop of a Middle East tour. Kaifu was expected to reassure King Fahd that his country supported the withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait, even though it preferred to back up its sentiments with money rather than the deployment of Japanese personnel to the region. Japan, which received close to 72 percent of its oil from Iraq, has made a $4 billion commitment to the effort to oust Saddam from the tiny emirate.

-A popular Jordanian legislator, threatening a vote of no confidence, urged the government ''to turn Jordan into a jungle of weapons to be in harmony with our brother Iraq.'' Laith Shbeilat, a two-time elected member of the lower house of Parliament, said he has presented to the prime minister and the legislature the so-called ''initiative to arm the people and to establish a wide-scale popular resistance'' to possible aggression against Jordan.

-European Community foreign ministers met in Venice, Italy, to discuss a common security policy for the 12-nation grouping, whose military response to the crisis has been fragmented. The EC currently lacks a defense structure, and many feel the gulf crisis has highlighted the need for a security policy to complement the EC's economic coordination.

-Egyptian police arrested five Egyptian landlords who rented property to several of the 30 suspected pro-Iraqi terrorists caught earlier by Egyptian authorities, security sources said. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak has charged that Iraq had sent the alleged terrorists into Egypt to retaliate for Mubarak's opposition to the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

-Spain's Crown Prince Felipe de Borbon y Borbon held talks with senior officials of the United Arab Emirates on developments in the crisis. Prince Felipe, the only son of King Juan Carlos and Queen Sophia of Spain, arrived in Abu Dhabi Friday to inspect Spanish naval ships serving with the U.S-led multinational force deployed in the gulf.

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#90279u0487 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - The shuttle Discovery showed NO signs of the hydrogen fuel leaks the grounded the shuttle program all summer as it rocketed into orbit today from Cape Canaveral. The shuttle and its five-man crew headed toward space to dispatch a European probe on a voyage over the uncharted poles of the sun. The shuttle is scheduled to land Wednesday morning at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

President Bush and congressional leaders may begin crafting an alternative budget proposal as early as today on Capitol Hill. Sources say Bush plans to meet with congressional leaders to discuss the budget problem that now has government operations shutting due to a lack of funds. The government ran out of money at midnight after a temporary spending bill expired and Bush refused to sign a replacement measure passed by Congress.

A family related to Nelson Mandela was the victim of a grenade and shotgun attack today in Soweto, South Africa. An 18-month-old girl died as attackers fired shotguns and tossed a grenade into the home of a couple with ties to the African National Congress leader. Police declined to say whether the attack might be related to a wave of factional black violence.

European Community foreign ministers are discussing a common security policy for the 12-nation grouping at a meeting today in Venice, Italy. The E-C lacks a defense structure... and many feel the gulf crisis has highlighted the need for a common policy. Britain's entry into the E-C exchange-rate mechanism is also expected to be discussed at the two-day meeting which concludes tomorrow.

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#90279u0488 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - The director of Cincinnati's Contemporary Art Center says a jury ruling sends a signal that museums are a protected part of the nation's culture. Dennis Barrie and the center were acquitted of obscenity charges following a two-week trial that marked the first such prosecution of an American gallery. The photographs of Robert Mapplethorpe were the basis of the charges.

Philippine President Aquino says a renegade colonel mistook- in her words- ''the sound from his own band of civilian cheerleaders as people's acceptance.'' Aquino announced the unconditional surrender today of Army Colonel Alexander Noble in a nationally televised address. Noble proclaimed the Asian nation's second largest island to be an independent federal republic during a 48-hour takeover that ended in his surrender.

A respected Lebanese newspaper says a number of foreign hostages may be set free as early as next week. The paper quotes ''well- connected'' sources as saying Western captives, including Anglican envoy Terry Waite, may be released from secret hideouts on Lebanese soil. The latest report on a possible hostage release could NOT be confirmed.

China says Germany ''rudely interfered'' in its internal affairs. The Beijing Foreign Ministry made a diplomatic protest to Germany, saying no government has the right to meddle with Chinese territory. German President Richard von Weizsaecker met the exiled Tibetan spiritual leader, the Dalai Lama, in Berlin on Thursday.

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#90279u0515 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (OCT. 6) UPI - Ending a five-month launch drought, the shuttle Discovery's crew rocketed into orbit Saturday and dispatched a European science probe on a $750 million quest to explore the uncharted poles of the sun.

The small 807-pound Ulysses probe, bolted to the top of a massive 43, 000-pound three-stage booster, was gently ejected from its cradle in Discovery's cargo bay on time at 1:48 p.m. EDT, six hours and one minute after the ship's ground-shaking launch on the 36th shuttle mission.

''A good deploy, Houston, Ulysses is on its way,'' said shuttle skipper Richard ''Dick'' Richards as the probe gracefully floated away from Discovery.

''That's a great job,'' replied astronaut Kathryn Thornton from mission control in Houston.

Built by the European Space Agency, Ulysses is the centerpiece of an unprecedented project to study the polar regions of the sun, giving scientists their first three-dimensional look at Earth's life-giving star, its complex magnetic field and the tenuous ''solar wind.''

Launch from Discovery set the stage for a crucial rocket firing later in the day to boost the spacecraft toward Jupiter for a gravitational boost down, out of the plane of the solar system and back toward the south pole of the sun, completing the major goal of Discovery's mission.

Richards, 44, co-pilot Robert Cabana, 41, flight engineer William Shepherd, 41 Bruce Melnick, 40, and Thomas Akers, 39, thundered triumphantly into orbit at 7:47 a.m. EDT, 12 minutes late because of concern about distant rain and a last-minute technical glitch.

The ground-shaking launch was NASA's first since Discovery carried the Hubble Space Telescope into orbit April 24, finally ending a nightmarish string of delays caused by hydrogen fuel leaks that grounded the shuttles Columbia and Atlantis in May, July and September.

Given near-constant criticism over trouble with the Hubble Space Telescope and other problems, Discovery's successful launch gave NASA's sagging morale a major shot in the arm.

''We're obviously pleased,'' said launch director Robert Sieck. ''The mood? I don't know whether you would say it is one of euphoria or relief. But it's certainly good to be back in the air again and on orbit. The team worked real hard for this. They earned it and they got their reward.''

Discovery's takeoff also was a major milestone for the European Space Agency, which nursed the Ulysses project through a long string of delays caused by problems with the shuttle program, including the 1986 Challenger disaster.

''I am quite impressed with the way this launch went,'' said Roger Bonnet, director of scientific programs for ESA. ''Seeing the pictures of the spacecraft in the payload bay in deep space was very good.''

Ulysses represents the first attempt ever made to gain a three- dimensional understanding of the sun, its magnetic field and the stream of electrically charged particles that are constantly blasted away in the form of the streaming solar wind.

But the price is high. ESA spent $250 million on the probe and NASA chipped in another $500 million to cover the cost of the shuttle launch and the spacecraft's unique three-stage booster.

Ulysses could not be fired directly into an orbit around the sun's poles because no available rocket has enough power to counteract Earth's orbital velocity of 47 miles per second in the plane of the sun's equator.

Instead, Ulysses was designed to fly past distant Jupiter so it can use the giant planet's gravity to bend its trajectory down, out of the plane of the solar system and back toward the south pole of Earth's star.

If all goes well, Ulysses will zoom past Jupiter on Feb. 11, 1992, and begin a four-month pass over the sun's south pole in May 1994. After crossing the sun's equator, the spacecraft will make a four-month study of the north polar region in May 1995.

Virtually all of humanity's knowledge about the sun is limited to studies conducted in the plane of the solar system, that is, from the vantage point of Earth's orbit around the star's equator.

By flying over the polar regions of the sun, Ulysses will be able to directly study processes and features that cannot be observed from Earth, giving scientists a more complete understanding of the star's structure and the forces that shape its destiny.

Ulysses' orbit will never carry it closer to the sun than about 120 million miles and the probe is not equipped with a camera. Still, its many instruments are expected to revolutionize knowledge about the sun and its environment.

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MIAMI (OCT. 6) UPI - Some Eastern Airlines jets may be bound for Russia soon if a $200 million deal between the troubled airline and the Soviet Union's national carrier, Aeroflot, goes through, Eastern officials say.

Aeroflot's plans to expand its international service call for the possible purchase of 13 Lockheed L-1011 passenger jets from Eastern. It would be the first acquisition of Western aircraft by Aeroflot.

Aeroflot executives, including Alex Timofeev, general director of the airline's Moscow division, were in Miami last week to look at the planes and talk with Eastern officials.

The two parties were brought together by Allen Blattner, president of Jetborne International of Miami, who estimated the sale could be worth up to $200

million.

The planes themselves were valued by Eastern at about $14 million. But should Eastern upgrade the planes or offer additional services, the value of the deal could rise to the hundreds of millions of dollars.

''We've offered to either sell them the planes or run the operation for them, including flying the planes or anything in between,'' Joseph Leonard, Eastern's chief operating officer and executive vice president, The Miami Herald reported Saturday.

''They are looking for a product and we've got it. Hopefully, we can negotiate something.''

Eastern, which filed for protection from its creditors in March 1989 under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and has been operating under it since, has been trying to sell some of its assets, including planes, to stay in business.

''Eastern has been trying to sell the planes and there are very few organizations that can absorb such a large fleet,'' said Blattner, who was introduced to Aeroflot officials by Saudi Arabian financier Adnan Kashoggi. The well-known Saudi businessman recently obtained 16 percent of Jetborne.

''Aeroflot would acquire the capability to fly newer aircraft than their own, updated with Western technology and equipment, with more customer appeal to the Western travelers than the Russion planes they fly now,'' he added. ''Also the L-1011s sell for a fifth of the cost of comparable aircraft.''

Eastern owns 10 L-1011s, which were built between 1970 and 1983, and leases three others. Aeroflot depends on the Soviet-built Ilyushin jetliner on its long-haul routes.

A preliminary agreement was not expected for 30 to 60 days. An agreement would have to be approved by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in New York and the Department of Commerce.

Aeroflot also has ordered five mid- to long-range A310-300 jets from Airbus Industry, which it plans to introduce on international routes between November 1991 and June 1992. Those aircraft are valued at $70 million each.

On May 28, the United States and the Soviet Union signed a treaty agreement giving Aeroflot the right to serve Miami, Chicago, Anchorage, Alaska, and San Francisco beginning in April.

Service between Moscow and Miami was expected to begin in the spring of 1992 and Aeroflot may begin refueling its Latin American fleet in Miami by December. Those flights now refuel in Cuba.

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#90279u0561 10/06/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 6) UPI - Federal government services began shutting down today... after the government ran out of money because President Bush refused to sign a temporary spending bill. The bill was passed by Congress last night, but the White House says Bush is allowing the shutdown in order to pressure Congress to pass a budget plan. The House yesterday killed a compromise plan backed by Bush and congressional leaders.

The long dry spell ended for NASA today with the launch of the shuttle Discovery on a mission to deploy a European space probe to the sun. Discovery lifted off from Cape Canaveral this morning... showing NO signs of the fuel leaks that groundead the shuttle program all summer. The ship is now in orbit, and the crew opened the cargo bay doors in preparation for launching the Ulysses space probe.

Iraq delivered a hard-line address to the United Nations last night, accusing the United States and its Western allies of trying to gain control over Persian Gulf oil fields. In the speech to the U-N General Assembly, an Iraqi envoy repeated Saddam Hussein's demand that any solution to the Persian Gulf crisis be linked to resolution of other issues in the Arab-Israeli conflict. Among those issues is the Palestinian uprising in the Israeli-occupied territories.

Louisiana voters go to the polls today in an open primary that pits a Democratic incumbent U-S senator against a former Ku Klux Klan leader. Polls show Senator J. Bennett Johnston running well ahead of David Duke, who is running as a Republican without party support. The official Republican nominee Ben Bagert, dropped out of the race Thursday, saying he did NOT want to help Duke get into a runoff with Johnston.

European Community foreign ministers began a two-day conference in Venice, Italy, today. One item expected to be discussed is a common security policy for the 12-nation group. The E-C has NO defense structure... and many people feel the Persian Gulf crisis has highlighted the need for such a policy. The European Community's response to the Gulf crisis has been fragmented.

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#90279u0635 10/06/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 6) UPI - Federal buildings and parks are closing from coast to coast as the government begins shutting down all but essential federal services because of lack of money. President Bush, who refused to sign a temporary spending bill to keep the government operating, summoned congressional leaders to the White House this morning in a bid to get a final budget deal. .

On Capitol Hill, the president's decision to shut down the government drew sharp criticism from Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine. Mitchell called it- quote- ''an extremely unwise and unnecessary action'' which inflicts ''unnecessary pain'' on American. He says he shares the president's desire to pass a budget plan, but added- ''I don't think this is the way to do it.''

The shuttle Discovery thundered into space this morning from Cape Canaveral, showing NO signs of the elusive fuel leaks that grounded NASA's shuttle program all summer. The liftoff ends a five-month launch drought for the space agency. Launch director Robert Sieck said- ''We're obviously pleased.''

In the Philippines, the man who led the seventh uprising against President Aquino has been ordered court martialed. Aquino issued the order today against Army Colonel Alexander Noble after his 48-hour takeover of two cities on Mindanao island. She urged the Philippine Congress to pass a law increasing penalties for rebellion. .

Hours after Noble's surrender, one person was injured in an explosion that ripped through a jeep parked inside the Philippine Armed Forces headquarters. Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos says the bombing was a ''political message'' after the crushing of the rebellion in Mindanao, where troops continue mopping-up operations.

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(OCT. 6) UPI - Louisiana voters are going to the polls today in an open primary to choose between three-term U-S Senator J. Bennett Johnston and former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke. Both are predicting victory. Johnston says voters WON'T buy what he called Duke's ''racist message.'' Most political analysts agree that Johnston is a shoo-in for re-election to a fourth term.

Heavy fighting is raging today in rural areas in the little east African nation of Rwanda. There are UNconfirmed reports that two Belgian military advisers have been killed in the fighting between Rwandan forces and rebels who invaded the country a week ago.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 6) UPI - The Washington Monument and Independence Hall closed their doors to angry tourists and some White House cooks were furloughed under the government shutdown that began Saturday.

The Smithsonian Museums, Ford's Theater and the Statue of Liberty also locked up, and an untold number of other federal employees - from park rangers to secretaries to public information officers - were told to go home.

Much of the rest of the 2.4-million federal workforce anxiously waited to see if they too would be furloughed as ''non-essential personnel'' - or if a budget agreement would be reached by the time they are to return to work Tuesday.

Monday is a federal holiday, Colombus Day, and unless President Bush and Congress hammer out a new spending plan by then, the scheduled swearing-in that day of David Souter as a member of the Supreme Court will be postponed.

''This whole thing is silly,'' groaned Chet Prentice of Ashville, N.C., as he and his wife, Jewell, stood outside the White House gates, also closed to tourists.

''Who do I blame?'' said Prentice, a camera slung over his shoulder. ''Republicans, Democrats, Congress, (President) Bush. All of them.''

The federal shutdown of all but essential services began at 12:01 a.m. EDT Saturday when the government became technically broke because of a lack of a new budget agreement.

Bush rejected pleas from Democratic leaders and vetoed a stop-gap funding bill that would have permitted the government to operate at full tilt for at least another week while all tried to reach a budget accord.

''President Bush's decision to shut down the government is wrong and unnecessary,'' said Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine. ''It will cause unnecessary pain and anguish to thousands of families.''

Bush, speaking with reporters on the White House driveway as scores of tourists pressed against the gates for a peak of him, said: ''I am very sorry for people who are inconvenienced by this or are hurt by this.''

''But this (shutdown) is the only device one has for making something happen '' Bush said. He complained that Congress has already delayed the process dozens of times with no results. ''No more business as usual,'' he fumed.

Business certainly wasn't usual at the White House or just about any other federal building Saturday. Virtually all federal parks and museums closed or curbed services.

Marlin Fitzwater, the president's press secretary, said all but 65 of the White House's 383 employees had been furloughed. They included some chefs, some caretakers and even 10 of Fitzwater's 14 press aides.

In upstate New York, federal workers who conduct tours of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's home in Springwood, N.Y. and the Vanderbilt Mansion, in Hyde Park, were also sent home.

New York City police said they fielded a host of calls from worried tourists wondering whether they should cancel Columbus Day weekend trips to the Big Apple.

''We got calls from Boston and Maryland from people wanting to find out if the Statue of Liberty was open for the weekend,'' said a department spokeswoman. ''They didn't want to make the trip if they couldn't see the statue.''

Both the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island were shut down Saturday.

''They've been closed since this morning and will remain closed until the budget situation is resolved,'' said Manny Strumpf, spokesman for the National Park Service in New York City.

Randall Pope, superintendent of the Great Smokey Mountains National Park, said visitors would be permitted to drive through the grounds, but all exhibits would be closed.

Philadelphia's Independence Hall also closed.

''We know we receive visitors from all over the world ... for a one- time visit to the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall, and it pains us a great deal not to have those buildings open today,'' said Bernard Goodman, assistant superintendent of Independence National Historical Park.

Visitors could still see the Liberty Bell by pressing their faces against the glass walls of the bell's pavilion, but could not enter Independence Hall, where the Declaration of Independence and Constitution were signed.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 6) UPI - A gunman who held several hostages during an 18-hour crime spree released the last of his captives Saturday and surrendered to police.

The gunman was treated for a wound suffered earlier in the day in a brief gun battle with police.

''He was grazed in the abdomen,'' a police officer said. The gunman was carried away from the scene by paramedics.

Police had surrounded the shopping center outside Washington, D.C., where the gunman held a restaurant manager hostage after releasing four other captives. A fifth person escaped.

No injuries were reported and police said they arrested the gunman's

accomplice earlier. Police negotiators were in contact with the gunman inside the restaurant, said Warren Carmichael, a spokesman for the Fairfax County Police Department.

The incident apparently started during the night when at least two men broke into a home in nearby McLean, burglarized it and then drove the owner to his jewelry store in the Plaza 7 shopping center, about 5 miles south of Washington, police said.

The shopping center is home to predominantly Vietnamese businesses and is frequented by refugees who escaped the war-torn nation in the 1970s.

Police, responding to a call for help at the shopping center in mid- morning, arrested the accomplice as he tried to flee.

Later, they traded shots with the gunman in the rear of the shopping center, Carmichael said.

At that point the jewelry store owner escaped. The gunman raided a restaurant and held five people hostage before releasing all but the restaurant manager.

Melvin Dawson, a brick mason who was using a pay phone at a nearby service station, said he heard the shots and saw police take one man into custody.

''This guy came running down there in a brown jacket, a little old bitty guy and the police put him in the back of the paddy wagon,'' Dawson said.

Hundreds of spectators surrounded the shopping center, which was cordoned off by police. A police helicopter regularly circled the businesses and paramedics waited nearby.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 6) UPI - On Inauguration Day, President Bush extended the hand of friendship and cooperation to the Democratic Congress. Saturday, he pulled it back.

In sharp, defiant tones, he rejected the urgent pleas of Democratic leaders and vetoed legislation to keep the government operating under a stop-gap money bill.

No one watching the inaugural ceremonies on Jan. 20, 1989, believed that a Republican president and Democratic Congress could, or would, bed together for very long.

Yet, during the traditional ''honeymoon'' period offered every new president and for a time thereafter, there was a spirit of what lawmakers like to call

comity.

There have been fights, some big ones, over policy and legislation; there have been a raft of vetoes; there has been Congress-bashing on the part of Bush; and there has been severe criticism of the president by Democrats.

But that is normal operating procedure in the partisan world of politics and leaves few lasting scars as Republicans and Democrats, pursuing their own goals, manage together to make government function.

The sharp split on the budget, however, is a new turn that could harm the delicate relations between the White House and Congress for a long time to come.

In one of the most dramatic votes of recent years, the House in the early Friday hours killed a budget agreement worked out by the administration and congressional leaders after four painful months.

Republicans, as well as Democrats, cast their votes against the proposed budget despite a nationally televised plea for passage by Bush and a major elbow-twisting campaign by the White House and congressional leaders.

At midnight Friday, the U.S. government started to shut down and Congress offered Bush a short-time resolution to keep it in operation until a new budget could be worked out.

Bush said no. He said no on a brilliantly sunny Saturday afternoon after a meeting with congressional leaders who pleaded with him not to allow the government to shut down.

In fact, the Washington Monument, the Smithsonian and every attraction luring visitors to the nation's capital was already closed. Only the Capitol was wide open.

At a news conference, Bush said, ''I am not going to be part of business as usual by the United States Congress.

''The average American is smart. The average American knows what is going on '' Bush said. ''They know the Congress has continued to kick this can down the road.''

''We'll have to use a little discipline to go with the nice guy stuff,'' the president said.

Bush's refusal to give Congress another seven days to work out a budget left Democratic congressional leaders furious.

To get the summit agreement with the administration, the negotiators for the

Democrats gave up a lot - too much for most House Democrats to swallow.

The agreement that was defeated included punitive increases in Medicare payments, a gas on heating oil tax, and increases on the staples of many working people - gasoline, beer and cigarettes.

But, as Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine repeatedly pointed out, that was part of the compromise.

Yet, a top Democrat said all the pain could have been avoided by an increase in the income tax rate for the wealthiest people - even coupled with a cut in the capital gains tax. And only Bush refused.

''If this had been up to the congressional leadership, it would have passed long ago,'' Mitchell said.

Congress now will have its chance, ''welcoming and inviting'' the views of the White House - but at a distance.

As for the administration, Bush said, ''Our people will stay in touch'' and will tell Congress ''if there's something so outrageous, I can't live with it.''

Eventually it is certain to happen, but it may take a period of time before Bush again extends the hand of friendship - and Congress accepts it.

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#90279u0717 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 6) UPI - The government, citing dangers from tensions across the globe, issued travel warnings Saturday to Americans in the Middle East, South Asia, North Africa, the Israeli-occupied territories and Yugoslavia.

Because of increased tensions from the 2-month-old Persian Gulf crisis, the State Department said demonstrations may pose a danger to U.S. citizens in Middle Eastern nations, North Africa and South Asia.

''Americans are urged to keep in mind the possibility of sudden changes in the security situation when making travel plans for these areas,'' the department said in a statement.

''Travelers and resident Americans throughout the region should exercise caution and contact the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate to register their presence and receive information on the local situation,'' the department said.

The government also addressed travel in the Israel-occupied terrorities: ''Due to recurrent disturbances and increased tension in the West Bank and the Gaza

Strip, the Department of State advises all U.S. citizens to avoid travel to these areas until further notice.''

The department said, ''There have been disturbances in East Jerusalem. If Americans decide to travel into East Jerusalem they should check first with the Consulate General for an update on security conditions.''

In another advisory, the State Department advised U.S. citizens ''to exercise caution when traveling to or in certain areas of Yugoslavia because of the potential for ethnic demonstrations. In particular, travel to the Yugoslav province of Kosovo should be deferred until further notice.''

The State Department later advised Americans to delay all travel to the East Central African nation of Rwanda, where rebels and government forces have been battling: ''The U.S. Embassy in Kigali has advised U.S. citizens to stay indoors and to stay in contact with the U.S. Embassy.''

The U.S. Embassy in Kigali, Rwanda, is helping Americans who choose to leave the country, the department said.

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#90279u0752 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

VIENNA (OCT. 7) UPI - Austria's two main political parties braced for losses of up to 10 percent of their combined parliamentary strength as the country prepared Saturday for the first general elections since 1986.

The Socialists, the dominant party since 1970, were seen as particularly vulnerable after being stung by a series of financial scandals that led to charges being brought against a former Socialist chancellor and other top officials.

Up to 5.6 million Austrians are eligible to vote in Sunday's elections. Voter turnout is traditionally around 90 percent, but political analysts predicted fewer Austrians would go to the polls this year because of dissatisfaction with the two traditional parties, the Socialists and their coalition partner, the conservative People's Party.

The Socialist and People's parties, which currently control 43 and 41 percent of the National Assembly seats, respectively, faced strong challenges from two smaller parties, the populist Freedom Party and the environmentalist Greens.

The right-leaning Freedomites, under the dynamic leadership of Joerg Haider, have made substantial inroads on the political bases of the two traditional parties in regional elections and were expected to improve significantly on their current 18 seats in the 183-seat Parliament.

The Greens were expected to double their current eight seats, with the

Socialists and People's parties losing about 10 percent of their combined strength, opinion polls showed.

Despite the losses, the Socialists are likely to remain the largest party in the Parliament. But they could find themselves in opposition for the first time in 20 years if the People's Party refuses to renew the 4-year-old governing partnership.

Some anaylsts predict the People's Party will team up with the Freedomites, who share a similar economic philosophy, favoring greater deregulation and privatization. Others fear that pan-German nationalistic elements in the Freedom party could be viewed negatively abroad and jeopardize Austria's chances for admission to the European Community.

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(OCT. 6) UPI - Saying NO more business as usual, a defiant President Bush today vetoed a stop-gap spending bill that would re-open the federal government. Bush defended his decision to virtually shut down the government... saying Congress must pass a budget he can accept. Congress, meeting in a rare Saturday session, has scheduled a vote on whether to override the veto later today.

A popular legislator in Jordan is calling for the arming of Jordanians to-quote- ''be in harmony with our brother Iraq.'' The legislator told a news conference in Amman today that he presented a so-called ''initiative'' to the prime minister and the legislature to ''turn Jordan into a jungle of weapons.'' Jordanians have been staunch supporters of Iraq since Western countries began deploying military forces in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf to counter Iraqi aggression.

The Discovery astronauts are gearing up to fire a European space probe to the sun. The five-member crew rocketed smoothly into orbit this morning from Cape Canaveral, ending NASA's five-month launch drought. The small, 850-pound nuclear-powered Ulysses probe is set to be ejected from its cradle in Discovery's cargo bay this afternoon, six hours and one minute after the shuttle's ground-shaking blastoff.

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#90279u0792 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - Voter turnout is reported heavy today in Louisiana's open primary in which former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke is seeking to unseat three- term Democratic incumbent Senator J. Bennett Johnston. Secretary of State Fox McKeithen predicts a near-record turnout of about 75 percent of the two-point-two Million registered voters. Both Johnston and Duke, a Republican running without party backing, predict a primary victory.

Police in Belfast, Northern Ireland, say a masked gunman shot and killed a 19-year-old Catholic man sitting in a car with his girlfriend early today. Police believe the killing at a scenic spot near Belfast was carried out by a Protestant paramilitary group in retaliation for the I-R-A murder of a young soldier in the same spot two weeks ago. Authorities say the gunman tapped on the car window of Denis Carville and asked what was his religion before shooting him twice in the neck. Carville's girlfriend escaped unharmed.

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AMMAN, Jordan (OCT. 7) UPI - A popular member of Parliament said Saturday he had urged Jordan's prime minister to arm citizens with ''a jungle of weapons'' to support ''our brother Iraq'' and defend against possible aggression by Israel.

Independent Islamist Laith Shbeilat, who has been elected twice to the lower house of Parliament, told a news conference he presented memorandums both to Prime Minister Mudar Badran and to members of Parliament urging the adoption of what he termed a ''parliamentarian initiative to arm the people and to establish a wide-scale popular resistance.''

''We call on the government to turn Jordan into a jungle of weapons to be in harmony with our brother Iraq, where 6 million people, one- third of the population, carry arms,'' Shbeilat stated.

Shbeilat, who intends on establishing an Arab nationalist Islamist party that would include independents such as himself, told reporters he was still waiting for a response from the government on his initiative, which he said he delivered to the prime minister last week.

Jordanians have been staunch supporters of Iraq since the United States and other Western countries began deploying troops to Saudi Arabia and the gulf following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. Since then, Jordanians have called for arms to defend Jordan and Iraq, lest the West or Israel use force to oust Iraq from Kuwait.

Shbeilat said that in his appeal he urged that 1 million of Jordan's aporoximately 3.5 million people be allowed to carry light weapons and be organized in ''a wide-scale popular resistance, complementing the popular army and supporting our officers in the armed forces.''

Shbeilat is considered one of the 80-member lower house's most popular representatives because of his outspoken opposition to the government in the previous Parliament, when opposition was conducted underground. He won election in 1984 and again last November, in Jordan's first free parliamentary elections in 30 years.

Unlike members of the Muslim Brotherhood, who are somewhat extreme in enforcing Islamic law in the country, Shbeilat enjoyed the support of both the Islamists and the leftist progressives for his moderate and tolerant position.

In his memo to the prime minister, Shbeilat said he warned that if Badran did not act on this proposal, he would gain support for his initiative in Parliament, and that if the government did not respond then, Parliament would dissolve the government with a vote of no confidence.

He said that consecutive Jordanian governments had made a mistake by keeping arms away from the people and by ''basing our security policies on American promises that suddenly fell apart, as was expected.''

Shbeilat said he told Badran that if Jordan's people were armed, Israel would think twice before invading because ''the real ally of the army is the people and properly organized popular resistance.''

''More than two months have passed since the gulf crisis began, and our people remain very distant from preparedness in case of war. The battlefield does not end in Iraq, but will also take place in Palestine and Jordan, where Iraq is seriously threatenend from the western end of our borders because the Americans and the Israelis are planning a Zionist invasion on Jordan to head toward the western border of Iraq,'' he stated.

In his appeal to the lower house, which is currently in recess, Shbeilat said he urged immediate adoption of his proposal because it was the demand of the people. Parliament was to return after a four-month recess at the beginning of October, but was postponed until Nov. 17 after a royal decree from King Hussein.

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(OCT. 6) UPI - President Bush today vetoed a stop-gap spending bill and promised ''NO more business as usual'' until Congress passes a budget he can accept. The president complained about dozens of previous temporary spending bills to fund the government, saying it's time for Congress to act responsibly on a budget resolution. .

The veto came as federal agencies, parks and tourist sites began closing because of lack of funding. Congress, meeting in a rare Saturday session, scheduled a vote later today on whether to override the veto. Congress passed the the stop-gap spending bill late yesterday after the House killed a deficit-cutting budget compromise backed by Bush.

Iraq today assured a ranking Soviet envoy visiting Baghdad that some of the five-thousand Soviet citizens in Iraq will be allowed to go home. The Soviet

official met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein yesterday. He reportedly gave him a message from Mikhail Gorbachev explaining Moscow's position in the Persian Gulf crisis and asking him to release the Soviet citizens. .

In another development, a popular Jordanian legislator appealed to the government today ''to turn Jordan into a jungle of weapons to be in harmony'' with Iraq. The legislator says he presented to the prime minister and the legislature a so-called ''initiative to arm the people and to establish a wide-scale popular resistance'' to possible aggression against Jordan.

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#90279u0878 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 7) UPI - A U.S.-sponsored program to improve Guatemala's judicial system is being suspended because ''the government lacks the political will'' to solve crimes involving human rights abuses by security forces, a recently released human rights report charges.

In its 117-page report released this week, The Minnesota Lawyers International Human Rights Committee also charged the Guatemalan army with organizing vigilante civilian self-defense patrols and providing them with drugs as an incentive for attacking dissidents and committing human rights abuses.

The report ''Justice Suspended: The Failure of the Habeas Corpus System in Guatemala,'' said foreign assistance provided by the U.S. Department of Justice and by Harvard Law School's Center for Criminal Justice ''will soon cease its operations in Guatemala.''

''According to Harvard Professor Philip Heymann, Director of the program, the program was canceled when it became apparent that Guatemalan authorities had no intention of resolving crimes of political violence that where likely to involve members of the military, police, or extremist groups which the government did not want to challenge,'' the report said.

The U.S.-sponsored program has been assisting courts in Guatemala City and the department of Totonicapan province.

The Minnesota lawyer group's findings are based on interviews with government, Church and military officials, members of the Guatemalan Lawyers College and judiciary, and activists in non-governmental human rights organizations in Guatemala.

''Political killings, kidnappings and disappearances remain a grave problem in Guatemala after four years of civilian constitutional government,'' the report said. ''The army and armed civil patrols violate fundamental human rights of Guatemalan citizens with impunity.''

''The current Guatemalan government bears responsibility for failing to

investigate the crimes and for failing to put an end to extra-legal activity of the armed groups that perpetrate these crimes,'' it said. ''The government lacks the political will, as well as the capability, to guarantee the enjoyment of human rights to its citizens.''

The report also detailed incidents of army soldiers distributing drugs to members of the civilian patrols and encouraging them to assault members of the Mutual Support Group, an organization of relatives of the ''disappeared'' - people kidnapped and never seen alive again - when the latter gathered for a demonstration March 2 in the village of Chupol, department of El Quiche.

In another incident, on March 27, ''Soldiers incited civil patrollers and other residents of Parraxtut, El Quiche, to attack Cesar Alvarez, deputy human rights procurator, and Amilcar Mendez, president of the Ethnic Communities Council 'Ranujel Junam,''' the report said.

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#90279u0889 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (OCT. 7) UPI - The Salvadoran government threatened state workers Saturday with jail terms of up to one-year if they go through with their threat to strike.

In a full-page advertisment published in major newspapers, the government formulated ''a call to reflection'' warning workers not to let themselves be used by union agitators ''who pursue political objectives disguised as labor-style demands.''

''At the same time, the government would like to remind you that these types of acts of agitation are against the law,'' the advertisment said, citing a constitutional article that prohibits public and municipal employees from striking.

The ad said according to the penal code, striking public employees can face a three-month to two-year jail term, and strike organizers can spend up to four years in prison.

''Just the call to the suspension or collective abondonment of work referred to in this law will be sanctioned with three months to one year in prison,'' the government said.

El Salvador is in the midst of a decade-old civil war in which more than 72,000 people have died. Government officials have accused union leaders of pushing unreasonable demands in an attempt to destabilize the government to help rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN.

In recent months, public works employees in San Salvador and public school teachers have defied the constitutional ban and have held limited strikes.

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#90279u0893 10/06/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 6) UPI - A respected Lebanese newspaper is reporting on a possible hostage release in Lebanon. The paper, quoting ''well-connected'' sources, says ''a number'' of foreign hostages being held in secret hideouts, including Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite, could be set free next week. The report could NOT be confirmed.

South African authorities say a toddler related to black leader Nelson Mandela was killed today when attackers fired shotguns and tossed a grenade into the home of some of his relatives. Police won't say if the attack is related to a wave of factional black violence which has killed up to 800 people in Soweto and other townships around Johannesburg.

Authorities have surrounded a crowded shopping center outside Washington, D-C, where a a gunman has barricaded himself inside a restaurant and is holding a manager hostage after releasing four other captives. A fifth person escaped during the hours-long standof at the Plaza-7 shopping center. NO injuries are reported and police say they arrested the gunman's accomplice.

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#90279u0962 10/06/1990 ~United Press International
WARSAW (OCT. 7) UPI - Poland reversed an earlier decision Saturday and temporarily lifted its visa requirement for citizens of what was East Germany as an ''act of good will'' following Germany's unification earlier this week.

The suspension of the visa requirement was effective immediately and will last until Nov. 7, and Poland will seek a similar move by Germany, said a communique carried by the news agency PAP.

Poland also seeks prompt signing of the border treaty it had been promised during talks before the unification, and wants to re-negotiate trade agreements it had with East Germany, Polish officials said.

''The present decision by the Minister of Foreign Affairs is an act of good will in the first days of Germany's unification,'' said the communique. Germany was united Oct. 3 after 45 years of division since the end of World War II.

Tens of thousands East Germans were crossing daily to Poland for shopping at considerably lower prices than those at home following the unification of markets and monetary systems of the two Germanys in July.

The trade has resulted in a boom for border areas, bringing income to citizens and local authorities with dozens of markets set up at any available place

including sidewalks along the frontier.

East Germany was Poland's second-largest trading partner, and the unification will adversely affect much of its trade, putting an extra strain on the economy in a painful transition to a market system.

Austria has imposed a six-month visa requirement for Poles. Other countries, including Czechoslovakia and Hungary, do not demand visas and use other ways to control the influx of Polish tourists to protect their consumer markets.

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JIZAN, Saudi Arabia (OCT. 7) UPI - Yemenis are streaming across the border at three to four times the normal rate, returning to their country following Saudi orders to register and find a sponsor.

A border official at the nearby crossing point of Al Tawal said Saturday 3,000 to 4,000 Yemenis would cross during the day, compared to the normal crossing of about 1,000. The official, who did not give his name, said 8,000 Yemenis crossed each day Thursday and Friday, the Arab world's weekend.

So far, officials estimate about 100,000 of the roughly 2 million Yemen residents in Saudi Arabia have left because of orders to register with the government and find personal or corporate sponsors. Those with businesses also were asked to get a Saudi partner.

Yemen, which to some degree relies on the money its citizens in Saudi Arabia send home to their families, initially sided with Iraq in the gulf crisis. But Yemen's government appears to be softening its position toward a more neutral stance because of the Saudi moves.

Despite the Saudi orders, there appeared to be little resentment at the hot and dusty border crossing. One man, who would not give his name, proudly proclaimed that he and his family were headed back into Saudi Arabia after having taken care of paperwork within Yemen.

Hamaoud Redman, 41, who for the past 21 years has worked in Saudi Arabia, is now employed in Riyadh by the Boeing Corp. He said he took the firm up on its offer to send his family home to Yemen when the gulf crisis erupted and was headed home to look after his wife and four children.

''Everyone is happy,'' he said, despite the fact he has no job waiting for him in Yemen. ''Everything is OK. Everyone wants to stay working here.''

Redman said he hoped to return in two or three months and resume his previous position.

Another man, who would not give his name, said he had been working in Saudi Arabia doing construction work in Riyadh for 13 years and said, ''I am finished here.''

At the station, those with cars - many more than overloaded with their springs sagging and tires bulging dangerously - took one lane to have their Saudi license tags removed. Those who came by bus took another path and switched to Yemeni buses or trucks on the Yemen side of the border.

Elsewhere in southwest Saudi Arabia Saturday the defense minister, Prince Sultan, reviewed another graduating class of volunteers for the Saudi military reserve forces that have been swelling since the gulf crisis began.

Before sitting down to a feast that fed 600, Sultan announced that Saudi Arabia would build a fourth military city in the southwestern section of the nation. The military cities are literally that, huge enclaves for a large number of troops, officers and their families, along with airfields and associated facilities.

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#90279u1027 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, Kenya (OCT. 7) UPI - Heavy fighting raged in rural areas Saturday between Rwandan forces and rebels who invaded the tiny east African country a week ago, Western diplomats in the capital Kigali said. There were unconfirmed reports Belgian military advisers had been killed in the fighting.

As French and Belgian troops sent to protect European nationals were deployed around the capital, Kigali experienced its first day of calm since groups of rebels infiltrated the town two days ago, the diplomats said.

''Everything is very quiet,'' said one diplomat who requested anonymity. ''We have cars travelling around the city taking tourists and businessmen to the airport. There were some shots at around 7 last night - probably a nervous soldier - and really there has been no shooting since 6 a.m. yesterday.''

About 100 French women and children flew to safety in Paris overnight.

Seventy Westerners left aboard a Belgian military plane Saturday; 200 more, including about 35 U.S. tourists, were due to leave on a Sabena airlines plane late Saturday, a spokesman at the U.S. Embassy in Kigali said. A Lufthansa plane was also due to fly 200 Germans to Nairobi Saturday night.

The U.S. Embassy was not aware of any casualties among Westerners so far, he said.

The State Department issued a travel advisory Saturday warning all U.S. citizens to defer travel to Rwanda until further notice. U.S. Embassy

officials in Kigali advised U.S. citizens still in the country to stay indoors and said they would assist Americans wishing to leave Rwanda.

On Rwanda's northern border with Uganda, the shooting war between an estimated 2,000 heavily armed rebels, who crossed the frontier last Sunday, and about 4,000 Rwandan soldiers continued.

Belgian defense minister Guy Coeme told a parliamentary debate he had confirmed reports of overnight rebel attacks on the border town of Byumba, 30 miles north of Kigali on the main road from Uganda. He said Rwandan troops were back in control of the town, however.

According to officials from Rwanda's southern neighbor, Burundi, rebels troops Friday shot down two Rwandan military helicopters, apparently killing two Belgian military observers. The report, from diplomats who asked not to be named, could not be confirmed.

European diplomats in Kenya said they understood that Belgian forces were unlikely to restrict their role to a purely defensive one and would actively assist the armed forces of their former colony.

Rwandan rebels Saturday warned Belgium to keep out of their war and stop deploying troops, the news agency Belga reported. Callers claiming to represent the National Patriotic Front, or Inkontanyi, telephoned threats to embassies in the capital Kigali and in Uganda's capital Kampala.

''Stop meddling in our affairs or we will bring this war to Belgium and we will attack Belgian citizens,'' said the caller in Kampala.

Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens stressed again Saturday to Parliament that his country was not interfering as the rebels claimed.

''The government only decided to put in place sufficient means to assure the evacuation of Belgian nationals who wish to leave the country of their own free will,'' he said, noting that his military contingent was now fully operational.

A second planeload of Belgian troops flew overnight into Kigali, bringing the total number of Belgians deployed to about 600, the diplomats said.

Belgian ambassador to Kenya, Christine Funes-Noppen, said she was unaware of the alleged helicopter incident but that ''everything is possible in life.''

She restated emphatically, however, that ''our presence is purely humanitarian. The reason we are there is to protect the Belgians,'' she said.

French Prime Minister Michel Rocard repeated Friday that the sole objective of 300 French soldiers in Rwanda was ''to defend our citizens and no more than

that.''

Air France flew 96 people overnight out of Kigali, meanwhile, after French legionnaires, Belgian and Rwandan soldiers beat off a rebel attempt Thursday to take the airport. A Belgian plane intended for a similar airlift was forced to leave empty, however, after evacuees were unable to reach the airport.

The rebel army that stormed into Rwanda Sep. 30 is led by one Maj. Gen. Fred Rwigyema, an exiled member of Rwanda's Tutsi tribe who was once commander of Uganda's armed forces.

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#90279u1042 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

ELMONT, NY (OCT. 7) UPI - Flying Continental and Fly So Free established themselves as top Breeders' Cup contenders and undefeated superfilly Meadow Star continued to thwart every challenge Saturday in three Grade I stakes races at Belmont Park.

Flying Continental surged to the lead in the final strides to score an upset victory in the $750,000-added Jockey Club Gold Cup, which included several contenders for the Oct. 27 Breeders' Cup Classic.

Jockey Corey Black broke Flying Continental alertly, then settled the 4-year-old son of Flying Paster behind early leaders Thirty Six Red, Steinlen and Canadian Triple Crown winner Izvestia. Those three raced together down the backstretch until Izvestia, under Craig Perret, wrested the lead from Thirty Six Red after running six furlongs in 1:11 2-5.

''I don't know why he went to the lead so soon,'' said Izvestia's trainer, Roger Attfield. ''I really thought he could win today.''

Jockey Angel Cordero rushed De Roche into contention on the far turn, and De Roche and Izvestia raced noses apart down the stretch. When De Roche took the lead at the eighth pole, Cordero thought the race was over.

''I thought he was home free,'' said Cordero. ''I never thought Flying Continental would come back again after we passed him.''

But Black and Flying Continental were gaining on the leaders with every stride and finally hit the front with 100 yards to go.

''He is a competitive horse,'' said Black. ''He runs hard.''

Earlier in the day Meadow Star scored the most impressive victory of her undefeated six-race career, tying the stakes record (1:35 2-5) with a wire-to-wire performance in the one mile Frizette stakes for 2-year- old fillies.

Jockey Jose Santos confidently sent the daughter of undefeated Meadowlake to the lead at the start of the race, with Champagne Glow pressing her from the outside and Flawlessly challenging on the rail. The three raced as a team until the quarter pole when Santos asked for more and Meadow Star responded like a champion, drawing away to a 14- length lead over Champagne Glow at the finish.

''What can I say, she's the best,'' said Santos. ''She's classy and she has a very big heart. I only had to hit her maybe eight times, but very lightly. The way she's running, next year, she'll beat the colts. She's definitely the best filly I've ever been on.''

Next stop for Meadow Star is the Breeder's Cup Juvenile Filly race and almost certain divisional honors.

''We'll probably come back in the Breeders' Cup and hope to be second,'' admitted Joe Pierce, trainer of Champagne Glow.

Santos also won the $500,000 Champagne stakes for 2-year-olds with Fly So Free who unleashed a furious stretch run to vault into favoritism for the Breeders' Cup Juvenile.

Santos rated Fly So Free patiently behind a killing pace set by favored Deposit Ticket, who was pressed all the way by Subordinated Debt. While the two leaders blazed through fractions of :22 2-5 and :45 1-5 for the half, Santos was content to Keep Fly So Free running evenly far from the rail in seventh place.

Santos began asking Fly So Free to run on the far turn, and the son of Time for a Change swept past the leaders five-wide entering the stretch, then drew off to a 5 1-4 length victory.

''This is a nice colt,'' said Santos. ''I hit him about six times, and he started going and going and never stopped.''

The fast-closing Happy Jazz Band edged out a stubborn Subordinated Debt for place. Deposit Ticket, 2-year-old division leader going into his last race, faded to finish last.

''He just didn't run his race at all,'' said jockey Gary Stevens of Deposit Ticket. ''I didn't know if he'd win, but I didn't think he'd get beat that badly. We finished last and I just pretty much eased him up the last part.''

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#90279u1158 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - The House has begun debate on overriding the president's veto

today of a stop-gap spending bill that would have kept the government funded for another week. A two-thirds vote is needed to overturn it. The Senate is set to vote later if the House overrides the veto. All of the president's previous vetoes have been sustained by Congress. .

Scores of angry tourists were unexpectedly locked out of Washington's popular historical monuments and Smithsonian museums because of the government shutdown of all but essential services that began today. An untold number of other federal employees, including some White House cooks, were laid off.

The Ulysses probe is sailing through space headed for an unprecedented voyage over the uncharted poles of the sun. The science probe was launched from the shuttle Discovery today, about six hours after it rocketed into orbit from Cape Canaveral. Discovery's launch ended a five-month drought for the delay-plagued space agency.

Former President Jimmy Carter warned today that the United States and several Arab countries could trigger a famine in the Sudan if they continue to withhold food because of the Persian Gulf crisis. He says 150-thousand people could starve to death. Washington stopped sending food to the Sudan because it supports Iraq. Several Arab nations followed suit.

In South Africa today, black leader Nelson Mandela lashed out at the white-minority government... saying it covertly instigated a wave of violence between rival black factions. The unrest between the African National Congress and rival Zulu movement Inkatha killed as many as 800 people before being quelled by tough security force action.

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#90279u1247 10/06/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 7) UPI - DIGEST:

Baseball

Tom Spencer will join the New York Mets coaching staff, replacing Chuck Hiller who has been returned to his position as roving infield instructor in the Mets minor league farm system. Otherwise, the coaching staff will remain the same, the team said. Spencer coached the San Jose Giants of the California League to a 74-68 record. He will be an outfield and base running coach, and also will coach first base.

Cycling

Dutchman Fred Rompelberg is to attack the world speed record for cycling behind a motorized vehicle set by American John Howard five years ago. Rompelberg, 44, will make his attempt on a salt lake near Boneville, Utah between November 12-15. Rick Vesco will drive the car, using the same vehicle

Howard used to set the current mark of 152.2 mph. Rompelberg tried and failed to break the American world record several times two years ago, breaking 14 bones in two crashes. His maximum speed at the time was 136.7 mph.

Games

Kenya dominated the African Track and Field Championships at Cairo, Egypt but the men's marathon on the final day was ruled by Ethiopia, which captured the top three places. Ethiopian Tesfayi Tafa caputred the gold for the marathon with an extremely slow time of 2 hours 33 minutes 38 seconds, falling far short of the 2.06.50 African men's record. ... China put the finishing touches on one of the most dominating displays in Asian Games history, winning eight of the 11 gold medals on the event's final day. The Chinese national team won 183 of a possible 310 gold medals in the 16-day competition, twice as many as the combined total of its two nearest rivals. South Korea took two golds Saturday to place second with 54 and Japan finished a distant third with 38.

Golf

Women previously barred from early tee-off times on holidays and weekends at the 68-year-old Laconia Country Club celebrated the change of an unwritten rule not allowing women on the course before 9 a.m. because they allegedly play slower than men. The long Columbus Day weekend was the first holiday weekend to fall under the new policy, which allows women to tee off with men at 6:30 a.m.

Horse racing

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Skiing

John McMurtry, head of the U.S. Team's alpine racing program for the past two years, apparently has rejected changing jobs and left the national team. Howard Peterson, the team's chief executive officer, Friday had offered McMurtry, who has a masters degree in sports science, a newly created position to head the team's sports medicine-sports science program.

Tennis

Czechoslovak Jana Novotna wore down and out-tricked Spaniard Arantxa Vicario Sanchez 7-5, 6-4 to adavance into the finals of the Nokia $500, 000 Women's Masters tournament in Essen, Germany. Novotna now meets Martina Navratilova in the finals. Navratilova made short work of Bulgarian Katerina Maleeva with an effortless 6-0, 6-2 semifinals victory.

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#90279u1287 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 7) UPI - The House voted Saturday to sustain President Bush's veto of a temporary seven-day spending bill, handing him a key political victory and ensuring that all but essential government services will remain shut down.

Also Saturday, House negotiators trying to craft a new budget plan to replace the bipartisan package defeated by the House on Friday reported making ''good progress.'' They said it was possible they would have a new budget plan ready for congressional action on Sunday.

That new package was expected to have a significantly smaller Medicare cut, a different tax mix and other changes to help mollify both parties who despised elements of an earlier, defeated budget plan.

After the 260-138 House vote sustaining Bush's veto, it was unclear late Saturday how long non-essential government agencies and services would remain closed due to lack of legal spending authority.

But it was possible that when Congress met in a rare Sunday session it would consider stop-gap spending bill to provide funds and government borrowing authority through midnight Friday.

President Bush has said he would sign such a bill as long as it did not delay imposition of the automatic spending cuts required by the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law as a penalty for failure to cut the deficit by Oct. 1.

Congress passed Friday and Bush vetoed Saturday a temporary spending bill that did waive Gramm-Rudman cuts, setting up the showdown override vote.

At midnight Friday, an earlier temporary funding bill passed last Sunday and signed by Bush expired, leaving the government broke.

The House vote fell six short of the two-thirds vote needed to override a presidential veto. Had six votes switched from no to yes, the outcome would have been reversed.

Nine Democrats broke ranks and joined Republicans to sustain the veto. Had

they not done so, the House would have voted to override the veto and sent the matter to the Senate.

Bush's veto of the temporary spending bill was his 15th since taking office and all 15 have been sustained by Congress.

After the vote, one angry senior congressional Democrat, who requested anonymity, called Bush's veto ''a terrible, awful political judgment'' that was ''unnecessary, unfair and foolish.''

The Democrat said the veto forced Congress to spend Saturday in a partisan dogfight instead of focusing its efforts, as Bush had asked, on crafting a replacement for the defeated $500 billion, five-year bipartisan budget plan.

That defeated plan contained what proved to be a politically unpalatable mix of $134 billion in new taxes on gasoline, alcohol, cigarettes and other items, a $60 billion cut in Medicare, including a doubling of the annual premium paid by seniors, and new tax breaks on small business investments.

Many lawmakers felt the package disproportionately and unfairly placed most of the burden of deficit reduction on lower and middle income taxpayers while the rich got off too lightly.

House floor debate on the override during the rare Saturday session was emotional, partisan and even rowdy at times.

In perhaps the most poignant moment of the hour-long debate, Rep. Ron Dellums, D-Calif., spoke to the House dressed in coat and tails. He said his son was due to get married in about 20 minutes and he wanted to be there.

Frustrated tourists, unexpectedly locked out of Washington's popular Smithsonian museums and prevented from going to the top of the Washington Monument because of the federal shut down, cheered from the House gallery when one speaker referred to their dilemma.

When Democrats started hissing one speaker, Rep. Robert Dornan, R- Calif., demanded order, saying, ''The House is not in order. There are snakes in the House.''

There was rhetorical bluster on both sides.

Rep. Silvio Conte, R-Mass., ranking Republican on the House Appropriations Committee, split with Bush to vote for the override, saying, ''The American public did not cause this mess and they should not be made to suffer. Federal workers should not have to take the heat for our failure. ... The burden for inaction should not be born by the American people.''

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#90279u1383 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (OCT. 7) UPI - A bomb exploded Sunday on a street between the finance and executive department buildings, but the second blast since the crushing of a 48-hour mutiny caused no injuries, police said.

The blast Sunday at 5:45 a.m. in Manila was believed caused by a C-4 high explosive used by the military, police Col. Pacifico Villarin said. It damaged a tree.

The bomb explosion was the second in nine hours and followed the ending Saturday of the mutiny on the southern island of Mindanao.

A blast at 8:20 p.m. Saturday set a jeep ablaze and injured one person in the parking lot of the defense department, which is inside the Camp Aguinaldo armed forces headquarters in suburban Quezon City.

Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos said the Camp Aguinaldo bombing was a ''political message'' after the uprising that was mounted by Col. Alexander Noble in Mindanao, 500 miles south of Manila.

Noble surrendered after deciding his support had fizzled. He had seized garrisons in Butuan and Cagayan de Oro cities and declared Mindanao an independent state during the two-day uprising. A former deputy security chief for President Corazon Aquino, Noble faces court- martial proceedings in Manila.

Ramos said the Noble rebellion was a plot to overthrow Aquino.

There have been more than 40 bombings reported by police in Manila over the past two months. The incidents have been blamed on rebel soldiers who have tried seven times to oust Aquino during her four years in power.

Ramos said terrorist bombings were something Filipinos in the capital would have to ''live with'' until the rebels responsible are all arrested.

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#90279u1401 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - The House today failed to muster the two-thirds majority needed to override President Bush's veto of a temporary seven-day spending bill. The 260-138 vote sustains Bush's 15th veto since taking office... and ensures that all but essential government services will remain shut down. The president rejected the temporary spending bill after the House gave similar treatment early yesterday to a bipartisan budget plan supported by Bush and congressional leaders.

The Ulysses solar probe is rocketing toward Jupiter for a gravity- assisted flyby that'll hurtle the nuclear-powered probe toward the sun. Ulysses was

fired into space today aboard the shuttle Discovery, which blasted off this morning ending a five-month launch drought for NASA. The four-day shuttle mission is scheduled to conclude next Wednesday when Discovery touches down at California's Edwards Air Force Base.

A Soviet envoy in Baghdad for talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein left Iraq today with assurances... but NO breakthrough in the Persian Gulf crisis. Hussein assured Yevgeny Primakov that some of the five-thousand Soviet citizens trapped in Iraq will be allowed to leave in the near future. Several hundred of the Soviets are military advisors who're believed to have sensitive knowledge about Iraq's military capabilities.

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#90279u1405 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - European Community foreign ministers were meeting in Venice, Italy, today in search of a common security policy following their fragmented military response to the Persian Gulf crisis. Italy wants the E-C to merge foreign policy with the defense role of the nine-nation Western European Union. But Britain prefers a slow approach to a common defense policy.

The State Department says Americans traveling abroad should be more careful because of increased tensions around the globe due to the two- month-old Persian Gulf crisis. The government issued travel warnings today to Americans in the Middle East, South Asia, North Africa, the Israeli-occupied territories and Yugoslavia. Officials warn of sudden changes in the security situation in these regions.

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#90279u1521 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - President Bush scored a key victory today when the House sustained his veto of a stop-gap spending bill to keep the government running. Representatives fell six votes shy of the two-thirds majority needed to override Bush's veto of the seven-day spending measure. The president rejected the legislation in an attempt to force Congress to approve a budget deficit reduction plan.

''Fantastic'' was the one-word reaction of astronaut Thomas Akers following today's successful deployment of the Ulysses solar probe from the shuttle Discovery. Discovery roared away from its Cape Canaveral launch pad this morning... giving NASA its first successful shuttle launch in five months. Ulysses was ejected from the shuttle some six hours later and its three booster rockets fired to set it on a boomerang path toward the sun.

Israel is working to keep its problem with the Palestinian uprising in its occupied territories separate from a possible settlement of the Persian Gulf crisis. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, several Western leaders and the

Palestine Liberation Organization have suggested linking solutions of the two problems. Israel says its conflict with the Palestinians would throw a monkeywrench into the united effort to drive Iraq out of Kuwait.

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#90279u1526 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - There was a heavy voter turnout today for the closely watched Senate primary race in Louisiana that pit Republican David Duke against three-term Democratic incumbent J. Bennett Johnston. The race has gained national attention because Duke... who has been disavowed by the G-O- P... is a former Ku Klux Klan leader. Johnston predicts he'll win by a landslide because voters will reject Duke's- quote- ''racist message.''

A Mormon leader is urging followers of the seven-and-a-half-Million- member church to lend a hand to charitible organizations... whether they're supported by the church or NOT. Mormon leader Glenn Pace made the statement today at the opening session of church's 160th semi-annual General Conference in Salt Lake City. Pace told members to reach out beyond the walls of the Mormon church.

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#90279u1728 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - House negotiators report they're making ''good progress'' in their effort tonight to craft a new budget plan to replace the bipartisan agreement that was rejected yesterday. Work on a new pact follows a House vote that sustained President Bush's veto of a temporary spending bill. .

That seven-day stop-gap measure was aimed at keeping the government running after it ran out of money just after midnight last night. Bush rejected the measure to force Congress to produce a budget deficit agreement.

The crew of the shuttle Discovery is resting this evening after an eventful day that included the launch of the orbiter... which ended a five-month NASA drought... and the successful deployment of the nuclear- powered Ulysses solar probe.

Yemen's government appears to be softening its stance in the Persian Gulf crisis. Yemen had initially sided with Iraq, but recent changes in the way Saudi Arabia is doing business with Yemenis in Saudi cities is causing Yeman to take a more neutral stance.

A congressional report released today says brain cell transplants remain highly experimental, despite recent progress. The Office of Technology says more research is needed before grafting tissue into the brain or spinal cord becomes regular treatment for neurological disorders.

Dismal educational statistics about Milwaukee's black youth has prompted the

city's school board to launch a controversial plan that will create schools focused exclusively on African-American males. The schools will start next September.

Once again, Coca-Cola is trying to push its new Coke formula on America. Coca-Cola is now marketing the soda as ''Coke Two''... but a recent test of the repackaged drink in Spokane, Washington, also failed.

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#90279u1860 10/06/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 6) UPI - House negotiators say it's possible they'll have a new budget plan ready for congressional action tomorrow. Negotiators began work on the pact after the House earlier today failed to override President Bush's veto of a temporary spending bill designed to pump more life into a financially drained government. All but the essential federal services remained shut down today.

The European-built Ulysses solar is on the first leg of its five-year journey to explore the UNcharted poles of the sun. The nuclear-powered orbiter was deployed today from the shuttle Discovery, which blasted off earlier today for NASA's first successful launch in five months. It took several minutes to confirm the deployment was a success, but the relief was evident when the word finally came.

A recent undercover drug operation in Naples, Florida, was a success in law enforcement terms... but a public relations disaster for police officials. Critics charge the operation... which netted 30 arrests... was racist because members of the mostly white police and sheriff's departments donned blackface to pose as drug dealers. Law officials say they were only trying to live up to the expectations of the mostly white buyers who cruised a predominantly black neighborhood looking for crack cocaine.

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#90279x0273 10/06/1990 ~Comtex

(OCT. 6) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE USA - SATURDAY

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque f		79	50	....
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Asheville sy		77	43	....
Atlanta sy		80	56	....
Baltimore sy		79	54	....
Billings sn		82	32	.37
Birmingham sy		79	56	....
Bismarck cy		84	36	....
Boston sy		72	61	....

Brownsville pc	89	74	....
Buffalo w	70	65	....
Burlington Vt. pc	66	55	.10
Charleston S.C. pc	79	68	....
Charlotte sy	84	53	....
Chicago sy	85	65	....
Cincinnati sy	78	56	....
Cleveland sy	78	59	....
Columbus Ohio sy	79	54	....
Dallas mc	91	69	....
Denver pc	86	45	....
Des Moines cy	87	65	....
Detroit sy	82	63	....
Duluth pc	68	44	....
El Paso pc	84	55	....
Evansville pc	83	53	....
Fargo cy	80	39	....
Hartford sy	76	57	....
Honolulu sy	89	76	....
Houston pc	89	71	....
Indianapolis pc	80	56	....
Jackson Miss. sy	87	52	....
Jacksonville pc	87	71	....
Kansas City pc	88	68	....
Las Vegas pc	94	75	....
Little Rock pc	84	62	....
Los Angeles pc	88	62	....
Louisville sy	82	56	....
Memphis sy	79	58	....
Miami Beach pc	85	74	.60
Milwaukee pc	84	65	....
Minneapolis pc	82	57	....
Nashville sy	84	53	....
New Orleans sy	86	62	....
New York sy	75	61	....
Oklahoma City pc	86	64	....
Omaha pc	79	63	....
Orlando pc	90	73	.03
Philadelphia sy	77	56	....
Phoenix sy	99	74	....
Pittsburgh sy	75	54	....
Portland Me. w	66	48	....
Portland Ore. f	61	42	.01
Providence sy	73	58	....
Richmond sy	81	50	....
St. Louis pc	87	66	....
Salt Lake City mc	82	56	....
San Antonio pc	92	75	....

San Diego pc	77	65	....
San Francisco sy	69	54	....
San Juan sh	90	76	.20
Seattle pc	58	45	.09
Spokane sy	60	30	....
Tampa pc	93	74	.31
Washington sy	79	56	....
Wichita w	88	64	....

c-clear	cl-clearing	cy-cloudy	f-fair
fy-foggy	hz-haze	m-missing	pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy	r-rain	sh-showers	sm-smoke
sn-snow	sy-sunny	ts-thunderstorms	w-windy

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#90280d5150 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PESHAWAR, Pakistan (OCT. 7) - A barrage of rockets hit a sparsely populated Pakistani area on the border with Afghanistan early Sunday, killing one person official Pakistani sources said.

At least 17 rockets fired from somewhere inside Afghanistan landed in the Darosh region, about 35 kilometres (20 miles) south of Chitral in the mountainous northern part of Pakistan, the sources said.

A few hours later, two Afghan MiG aircraft intruded into Pakistan airspace, they said.

After circling over Chitral for some time, the planes flew towards the strategic Afghan Wakhan salient bordering Pakistan, the Soviet Union and China the sources added.

The Afghan resistance claims that the Soviet Union has continued to maintain a troop presence in the Wakhan corridor after their withdrawal from other parts of Afghanistan in February 1989.

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#90280d5160 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH (OCT. 7) - Saudi Arabian King Fahd has asked Japan for a greater financial contribution to the international force in the Gulf, according to unconfirmed radio reports in the region.

The reports cited Japanese sources, which said that Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu promised to consider the request.

Following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, the Japanese promised to contribute 2 billion dollars to the multinational force in the Gulf and 2 billion dollars

to ''frontline states'' like Turkey and Jordan suffering from the United Nations trade embargo against Baghdad.

Kaifu, meanwhile, continued his political talks here Sunday. The official Saudi news agency Spa said that he met with Finance Minister Sheikh Muhammad Ali Aba al-Khail and Petroleum Minister Sheikh Hisham Mohi ad-Din Nazer.

Japan is Saudi Arabia's second most important trading partner, while the Gulf kingdom is Japan's most important oil supplier.

Kaifu is the first Japanese head of government to visit Saudi Arabia in 12 years. During his Mideast tour, he has already visited Egypt, Jordan and Turkey and met in Amman with Iraq's Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan.

Kaifu will conclude his trip with a visit to Oman.

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#90280d5170 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 7) - Two members of the British embassy staff in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait arrived in Baghdad on Sunday, a day after leaving the embassy premises, the Foreign Office announced here.

Security officer Brian McKeith, and Donald Macauley, first secretary of the embassy's trade section, will stay at the British embassy in the Iraqi capital after Iraqi authorities refused to grant them exit visas.

A spokesman for the Foreign Office said a British television crew were detained for several hours for trying to film their arrival. The two had left Kuwait City early Saturday.

Iraqi soldiers stationed near the Kuwait mission had stopped them from travelling to Baghdad earlier this month despite an Iraqi authorization.

The British government decided to cut its embassy staff late last month in a bid to ensure that Ambassador Michael Weston and Consul Larry Banks can live on ample food stocks at the isolated embassy for a longer period of time.

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#90280d5230 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENNA (OCT. 7) - About 20 per cent of Vienna voters had turned out for parliamentary elections by noon -- roughly as many as in the last poll four years ago, radio reports said Sunday.

Opinion polls predicted both the socialist and conservative parties, joined in a coalition government, would take a beating.

The vote for Austria's 183-seat parliament was expected to be a close race between the Socialist Party of Chancellor Franz Vranitzky and the conservative Peoples' Party headed by Vice Chancellor Josef Riegler.

The latest polls showed that the two ruling parties could lose some 10 per cent of their score in the last general election, held in 1986.

The major beneficiary of such a result is likely to be the rightist Freedom Party, headed by Joerg Haider, which could win up to 18 per cent of the vote, doubling its showing in the 1986 elections.

Mr. Haider, chancellor of the southern Austrian state of Carinthia, has campaigned on a platform denouncing corruption scandals which have tarnished the image of the Socialist Party and against a recent massive influx of immigrants from eastern Europe.

Both the socialists and the conservatives have said they would continue to cooperate in a coalition government regardless of which comes in first.

The Greens are hoping that increasingly ecology-conscious Austrians will give them at least eight per cent of the vote, up from 4.8 per cent in 1986.

Although the latest polls showed the socialists with a 3.5 per cent lead over the conservatives, the Socialist Party has warned that anything could happen given the large percentage of undecided voters.

For the first time Austrians residing overseas have been enfranchised and 21,000 voters have registered. But the count of their votes will not be known before Wednesday.

Polls opened at 7 a.m. (0600 GMT) and were to close at 5 p.m. (1600 GMT).

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#90280d5280 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (OCT. 7) - Egypt's Foreign Minister Ismat Abdul-Maguid arrived here Sunday for talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad.

The Egyptian press agency Mena reported that the foreign minister, accompanied by Osama al-Baz, the head of the Egyptian president's office, was carrying a message from Egypt's President Hosny Mubarak.

According to Mena, the Gulf crisis, the situation in Lebanon and the two countries' bilateral relations would be the focus of discussions during the two-day visit.

Press reports in Cairo on Sunday said that Egypt and Syria want to coordinate their efforts at resolving the Gulf crisis. Following Iraq's invasion of

Kuwait, both sent troops to protect Saudi Arabia.

Egyptian Information Minister Safwat al-Sharif, also bearing a message from Mubarak, left Cairo on Sunday for Tripoli, where he is to meet with Libyan leader Muammar al-Qaddafi. Mena said the note dealt with bilateral issues and the effects of the Iraqi invasion on the Arab world.

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#90280d5350 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (OCT. 7) - The release of U.S. financial aid to Pakistan for the fiscal year has been frozen until President George Bush certifies that Islamabad's nuclear program is for peaceful applications, a U.S. diplomat said here Sunday.

Under current law, Mr. Bush must certify to Congress that Islamabad does not possess nuclear weapons and that its nuclear program is for peaceful applications before Washington can release the some 600 million dollars in aid for the fiscal year which began October 1.

The diplomat said the current situation parallels events in 1987 and 1988, when then-president Ronald Reagan delayed his October signing of certification by as long as two months.

"High-level talks are under way in Washington and Islamabad," the U.S. diplomat said, denying that the delay in certification was linked to uncertainty over the October 24 elections here.

The daily Dawn reported that U.S Ambassador Robert Oakley returned from home leave in the United States last month with a message from Mr. Bush for Pakistan's President Ghulam Ishaq Khan.

Dawn said Mr. Bush told his counterpart he would not issue the certificate unless Pakistan's nuclear facility at Kahuta is opened for international inspection.

The report said Mr. Ishaq Khan had refused the request and Mr. Bush was retaliating by not issuing the certificate.

Western experts believe Pakistan is capable of manufacturing nuclear warheads, but Islamabad has long insisted its program was for peaceful applications.

Pakistan, Washington's major ally in the region and a conduit for U.S. supplies to the Afghan mujahedeen, is the third largest recipient of U.S. aid after Israel and Egypt.

Asked about Washington's position toward the upcoming elections here, the diplomat said that the United States, like Western European nations, was

insisting that the elections be free and open to all the country's major political leaders.

Benazir Bhutto, who was premier for 20 months before being sacked by Mr. Ishaq Khan on August 6, is facing trials on charges of abuse of power and misconduct. Under new exceptional rules, if she is found guilty, she will be barred from taking part in the elections.

A team of 40 international poll watchers, including U.S. members, is expected here to monitor the elections.

Ms. Bhutto has accused the interim government headed by her political adversaries of seeking to fix the balloting.

Dawn meanwhile suggested that the United States has long been pressing Pakistan to open its nuclear facilities at Kahuta, near here, for international inspection.

Pakistan has never refused to oblige but has asked Washington to also urge India to open its nuclear facilities to international inspection "in the interest of regional balance," the newspaper said.

According to Dawn, Washington apparently accepted this argument in the past and never pressed the point.

The freeze in aid for this South Asian nation comes at a particularly unpropitious time for Pakistan, which has been hard hit by the Gulf crisis.

Officials estimate the country's losses so far at more than 1.5 billion dollars due to the soaring cost of oil, lost of remittances from workers in the Gulf and the cutoff in trade with Iraq and Kuwait.

The caretaker government, facing what is expected to be a close election, has so far failed to take the necessary but unpopular measures needed to generate revenue such as raising the price of domestic petroleum products.

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#90280d5860 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 7) - Tourists became the first victims of instructions by the White House to shut down government operations this weekend.

The shutdown, which began Saturday morning, was caused by the failure of President George Bush and the Congress to reach a budget agreement.

Disappointed children pressed their noses against the windows of the U.S. capital's popular Air and Space Museum on Sunday - closed because there's no money to pay the employees. Tours of the White House were out, too.

The scene was similar elsewhere. Tourists wishing to take the ferry to the Statue of Liberty waited in vain, and Philadelphia's Independence Hall was dark.

Approximately half of the country's 2.4 million government employees face a forced, unpaid holiday beginning Tuesday if a budget compromise is not reached sometime Monday, the Columbus Day holiday.

Essential government workers such as police, health officials, soldiers and air-traffic controllers are not affected by the shutdown.

On Saturday, Bush vetoed emergency legislation from Congress that would have kept the government running for another week.

The crisis arose after the House of Representatives (lower chamber) rejected a budget that would have reduced the federal deficit by 500 billion dollars over the next five years through tax increases and benefit cuts.

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#90280d5870 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 7) - A 26-year-old Soviet man was arrested Sunday in the Arkhangelsk region of northern Russia after attempting to hijack an airliner to to Sweden, Tass news agency reported.

The hijacker, identified as Gavilov, an unemployed man from Perm in central Russia, ordered the Aeroflot Antonov 24 crew to fly to Sweden as the plane, on a scheduled Perm-Kotlas-Arkhangelsk flight, was approaching Kotlas.

The man, who had threatened to blow up the plane, was arrested on board. No explosives or weapons were found.

On Friday, a Soviet Yak-40 airliner with 19 passengers and three crew members was hijacked to Helsinki while on a flight from Novgorod to Petroskoj.

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#90280d5990 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONROVIA (OCT. 7) - A West African expeditionary force and a guerrilla army on Sunday continued trading artillery fire as Liberia's nine-month-old civil war refused to die.

The West African force, whose initial purpose was to stop the civil war pitting guerrillas from two groups against the forces of President Samuel Doe, has turned to fighting the largest rebel group after Mr. Doe's death.

That group, the National Patriotic Front of Liberia, led by Charles Taylor,

says it controls 90 per cent of Liberia.

The West African force, which came in by ship last month, controls the port of Monrovia, which it took over from its rebel ally, Prince Johnson, along with the Gardnersville area and the western part of the city.

Rebels of the National Front have rocket-propelled grenades and anti-tank weapons that have prevented the West African force, made up of soldiers from Nigeria, Ghana, Guinea, Gambian and Sierra Leone, from moving aggressively forward in an area ideally suited for ambushes.

But the force of over 8,000 men is strong enough to prevent the National Front from taking the rest of Monrovia, where several hundred government troops are being shielded by the force.

The result is a stalemate in which each side fires a few rounds of mortar or artillery, then waits 10 or 20 minutes. There is no indication of how many are being killed by these exchanges.

The National Front fighters have not been supplied with food and depend on an increasingly impoverished -- and fast-disappearing -- population for their survival.

The random shelling has led many fighters hidden in ambush to leave their posts for more secure spots when the shelling gets too close, and several times their officers have had to order them back to their positions.

Meanwhile, Monrovians, who have endured a siege of more than three months, have been streaming out of the city for the past week.

The Ivory Coast has received nearly 200,000, according to relief organizations there, and another 100,000 are expected. Most are members of Mr. Doe's Krahn tribe, who fear reprisals from the National Front.

Mr. Taylor told journalists on Saturday that the Krahns had nothing to fear: the only ones who will be punished are "confirmed criminals" -- those guilty of crimes against the Gios and Manos tribes.

-30- 2525

#90280d6070 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (OCT. 7) - Britain's military buildup in the Gulf will be complete by mid-November, British Army Minister Archie Hamilton said here Sunday.

He said the U.S. would presumably have all of its forces in place by then as well. The minister is in the region to inspect British troops and confer with Gulf leaders.

The estimated 40 to 50 Jaguar and Tornado fighters sent by Britain to the Gulf will have reached their assigned positions within the next 10 days, Hamilton said. One Tornado squadron, comprising about 12 aircraft, is to be stationed in Tabukim in northwest Saudi Arabia.

Only about half of the 7th Armoured Brigade is on its way to the Gulf, however. The other half hasn't yet embarked, he said.

''Right from the start we were prepared to take defensive positions and resist an attack,'' Hamilton said. He added that it was still too early to talk about war because there was still hope for a peaceful resolution of the crisis.

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#90280d6100 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DOHA (OCT. 7) - Canadian air force troops have arrived in Qatar as part of a multinational troop deployment in the Gulf triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, the official Qatari news agency QNA reported Sunday.

The agency did not provide further details.

Canada announced Thursday it would airlift troops and equipment from a base in Lahr, southwest Germany, to Qatar.

A Canadian military spokesman had said 450 air force troops based at Lahr and 100 others stationed in Baden-Soellingen, also in the southwest of Germany, would be dispatched to Qatar.

Canada has also pledged to send to the Gulf 12 C-130 Hercules transport planes as well as 18 F-18 fighter jets in a bid to provide support for three Canadian warships already in the Gulf.

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#90280d6620 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 7) - The African National Congress called on Sunday for one-man, one-vote elections to sort out local government, even before the key issue of universal suffrage is decided at national level.

At the end of a four-day meeting here, the first of a series of national consultative conferences, the ANC resolved that "an elected interim body at local level should restructure the apartheid city and make proposals to the National Constituent Assembly" ANC leaders want.

Conference chairman Zola Skweyiya told AFP the conference envisaged several regional constituent assemblies, probably more than one for each of the existing four provinces, which he said were unmanageably large.

These local non-racial interim bodies "should be elected democratically on the basis of universal suffrage based on the principle of 'one person, one vote,'" a media statement said.

They would defend the interests of the weak, especially under-organised rural communities, against the powerful white provincial administrations who might otherwise impose unsatisfactory models for local government in a new South Africa.

Without interim bodies to standardise proposals for local government, ANC-aligned civic associations in smaller black townships would not get deals like last month's landmark Soweto Accord paving the way to a common taxbase and council for Johannesburg and its black township Soweto, Mr. Skweyiya said.

ANC local government committee convenor Thomazile Botha said the state would have to pay for the election and running the interim bodies.

Mr. Skweyiya said the proposals would be put to the ANC's national conference in December.

He shrugged off suggestions that it was putting the cart before the horse to call for universal suffrage elections at local level even before the issue, the lynchpin of the future constitution, had been settled nationally, especially as the government had rejected ANC plans for a national Constituent Assembly.

The conference also resolved that "all apartheid legislation should be abolished before the transformation of local government structures can begin."

Constitutional Development Minister Gerrit Viljoen has already said the bedrock of apartheid, the Population Registration Act classifying people by race, can be abolished only once the new constitution is ready.

Sunday's resolutions would therefore put the ANC on a collision course with the government, observers said.

The conference also warned municipalities against selling off council houses, as the policy did nothing to address the problem of homelessness.

Mr. Botha said there was no question of repossessing former council houses bought by the tenants.

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#90280d6630 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

INVERNESS, Scotland (OCT. 7) - The Loch Ness Monster kept a low profile at the weekend, eluding scores of "hunters" drawn to its watery home in the Scottish Highlands by a 250,000-pound (450,000-dollar) prize for evidence that it exists.

"I did not expect to be overwhelmed", commented Professor Iain Bishop of London's Museum of Natural History, the man charged with judging their findings.

As it turned out, he had nothing to judge.

A London bookmaker promised the money to anyone who could come up with "conclusive evidence" between Friday and Sunday that the monster existed.

But by Sunday no one had managed to fish the smallest scrap of proof out of Loch Ness's deep black waters.

The only reward doled out was a 1,500-pound (2,700-dollar) consolation prize for "best research method".

It went to Oceanscan, an Aberdeen-based offshore oil company, which plumbed the lake with an unmanned, sonar-equipped mini-submarine.

A video filmed at a depth of 70 meters (230 feet) showed a surprised eel, which at just 50 centimeters (1-12 feet) long was a far cry from the mythological monster.

On Saturday the sub's sonar did appear to have detected a form 40 meters (130 feet) down, off the sunken ruins of the medieval Urquhart Fortress. But Oceanscan engineer Andy Grey later dismissed this as "undecisive contacts".

Nessie, believed by some to be a survivor of long extinct dinosaurs, was first spotted centuries ago by Saint Columba, the evangelist who brought Christianity to Scotland.

The Loch -- lake, in English -- is extremely deep and dark, and folk living around here say the explanation for sightings of Nessie over the centuries is simple: there is a whole family of "monsters" living in underwater caverns and occasionally coming up to say hello to tourists.

Another method tried at the weekend, a pendulum said by 25-year-old Londoner Daniel Isted to be able to detect variations in water pressure and thus sniff out Nessie, was equally disappointing.

And perennial parliamentary candidate Screaming Lord Sutch, who regularly wins a few votes for the Raving Monster Loony Party, also failed to lure the monster when he threw a British Rail sandwich into the Loch.

However when asked if would-be hunters could conclude the monster does not exist, a man who has been returning here for the past 15 years, Adrian Shine,

commented: "Certainly not. Nobody has yet conclusively proved that the monster

existed" but "Somebody has yet to prove conclusively that it does not".

Professor Bishop, for his part, believes the 220-meter (715-foot) deep, 36-kilometer (22-mile) long lake will yield many secrets as underwater research methods progress.

For the moment, the favourite explanation of Nessie is that she is really an optical illusion.

But at Drumnadrochit, site of the Loch Ness Monster Museum, no one believes this reasonable thesis.

To encourage the legend, bookmaker William Hill has offered another lucrative bait -- 25,000 pounds (45,000 dollars) to whoever comes up with "conclusive evidence" in the next three years.

-30- 3331

#90280d6970 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENNA (OCT. 7) - Official projections of initial results from the Austrian general election Sunday have given a convincing victory to the Socialist Party of Austrian Chancellor Franz Vranitzky.

Projections on Austrian television by the Interior Ministry have given the Socialists 43.14 per cent of the vote and 81 seats -- marginally ahead of its 43.12 per cent and 80 seat result in 1986.

The big loser of the election was the Socialists' ally in the centre-left government coalition, the conservative People's Party, which was given 32.31 per cent of the votes and 60 seats, down from 41 and 77 respectively in 1986.

The Conservative's leader, Vice-Chancellor Josef Riegler, said the result "exceeds our worst expectations". He said the party, which scored its worst result since 1945, needed a fundamental overhaul.

Third was the right-wing Freedom Party, headed by ebullient Carinthia state chief Joerg Haider, which was given 32 seats (16.65 per cent) by the projections, up from 18 and 9.73 per cent in 1986.

But the Freedom Party, which had based its campaign partly on the fear of immigrants, fell short of the 20 per cent needed to join the government.

Hopes by the ecological Greens to soar in a more environment-conscious Austria were dashed. The party was given a projected 10 seats, up from eight in 1986.

Analysts said the election result was a personal victory for Chancellor Vranitsky, a 53-year-old former banker, whose excellent personal image made up for a series of scandals which have rocked the Socialists in the past few

months.

Ernst Scheiber, the Conservative's campaign manager, said: "It was not the Socialists who won. They centred everything around the chancellor. They even took their party's name off the posters."

The projected results were based on a count of nearly 54 per cent of votes cast.

-30- 2059

#90280d7120 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRAS, India (OCT. 7) - Seventeen Sri Lankan refugees en route to the southern Indian state of Tamil Nadu were drowned when their boat capsized Sunday, officials in the state capital Madras said.

Twenty-five Tamil refugees and three crew were in the plastic boat when it capsized in the narrow Palk Straits separating Tamil Nadu from Sri Lanka, off Tamil Nadu's Dhanushkodi area.

Seven were rescued by the Indian navy and 17 bodies washed ashore, the officials said. The fate of the rest was unknown.

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#90280d7270 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (OCT. 7) - Libyan Prime Minister Omar al-Muntaseer has been replaced in a cabinet reshuffle by the General People's Congress, the Libyan news agency JANA said in a report monitored here Sunday.

It named the new premier as former cabinet minister Abu Zeid Omar Dourda.

Mr. Al-Muntaseer, appointed prime minister in March 1989, was to be given the portfolio of economic planning, the news agency said.

JANA said Foreign Minister Jadallah Azuz al-Tali was to be replaced by Ibrahim Mohammed al-Beshari, and would take on the strategic industries portfolio instead.

-30- 756

#90280d7380 10/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LYONS, France (OCT. 7) - Hundreds of youths clashed with police in a mainly immigrant suburb of this southern French city Sunday, looting and burning a shopping centre after a youth died in an incident with police.

Violence erupted late Saturday and was still raging late Sunday.

Mayor Maurice Charrier issued an appeal for calm amid reports that seven firemen had been injured. He denounced "individuals from outside the city who are building up pressure".

Rioters also roughed up several journalists and destroyed equipment belonging to photographers from Agence France-Presse and the daily Liberation.

About 30 anti-riot police charged some 500 youths, lobbing teargas grenades in a bid to flush them out of the burning shopping centre, but failed when the youths responded by throwing stones. Demonstrators also stoned firemen.

Violence erupted late Saturday in the working class district of Vaulx en Velin after a crippled 21-year-old man of Spanish origin, Thomas Claudio, died when he fell off the pillion seat of a motorcycle.

Bands of youths set cars on fire when news of the death spread, smashing windows and setting up barricades in the suburb of 50,000 where relations between young people and police had been particularly tense.

Police said the motorbike driver, injured and arrested during the accident,

had lost control after dodging a police car. His passenger was crippled from polio and neither he nor the driver wore safety helmets, in spite of the law.

However friends of the dead man, youngest of nine children, said the police car had deliberately blocked the motorbike's way.

-30- 1836

#90280e0010 10/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (OCT. 7) EFE - Baghdad has authorized the departure of the remaining Brazilians held in the country after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait in August, a Rio de Janeiro radio station said Sunday.

The private Radio Jornal do Brasil, quoting a Brazilian diplomat in Baghdad, said 82 Brazilians, who worked for the Mendes Junior construction company, would leave the Iraqi capital Sunday night on a charter flight to Brasilia.

Their release followed the exit of 170 Brazilians on Thursday.

Eduardo Prisco, councellor at the Brazilian embassy in Baghdad, said Brazil had made no concessions to gain exit visas and added that it would continue to observe U.N. trade sanctions imposed on Iraq because of the invasion of Kuwait.

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#90280e0013 10/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

CAIRO (OCT. 7) EFE - Egyptian authorities have refused to let Palestine

Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat visit their country, citing the PLO's ambiguous position on Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, the Cairo daily Al Wafd reported Sunday.

According to the daily, Arafat has pressed Arab leaders in the region to help him secure an interview with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, who has slammed the Palestinian leader's position on the crisis sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait two months ago.

Arafat has insisted that an end to the crisis depends on the withdrawal of U.S.-led multinational forces from Saudi Arabia so as to allow for a totally Arab solution.

Egyptian officials declared Arafat persona non grata after the PLO leader criticized Mubarak for sending troops to Saudi Arabia to help defend the desert kingdom against possible Iraqi aggression.

In the past two weeks Egyptian security officers have arrested dozens of Iraqis and Palestinians who tried to enter the country with false passports.

The Cairo daily Al-Ahrem said Saturday that several of those arrested told police that they had weapons and explosives and planned attacks against key targets in the capital.

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#90280e0015 10/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

HURGHADA, EGYPT (OCT. 7) EFE - Prince Felipe, the heir to the Spanish throne, inspected troops Sunday on two Spanish warships deployed off the Egyptian Red Sea port of Hurghada.

Prince Felipe spoke to crewmen on the corvettes Descubierta and Cazadora which were sent to the region to help enforce a United Nations trade embargo slapped on Iraq in response to its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Spanish heir arrived in Hurghada, some 400 km south of Cairo, from the United Arab Emirates (UAE) where he inspected troops on board the Spanish frigate Santa Maria and held talks with UAE head of state Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahayan on the Gulf conflict.

Spanish Defense Minister Narcis Serra and Defense Chief of Staff Adm. Gonzalo Rodriguez Martin-Granizo are accompanying Felipe on his trip.

The Prince is expected to return to Madrid later Sunday.

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#90280e0036 10/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PARIS (OCT. 8) EFE - French President Francois Mitterrand and Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti are to meet in the French capital Monday to discuss progress towards economic and monetary union within the European Community (EC), and the Gulf crisis.

Mitterrand and Andreotti are to hold two days of talks centered on Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) and greater political union among the 12 nations of the EC ahead of an extraordinary EC meeting on October 27 in Rome.

Italy currently holds the rotating presidency of the EC.

The two men will also discuss the Gulf crisis, and the meeting of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) in Paris on November 19.

The CSCE meeting is likely to see calls to beef up the role of the 35-nation organization in safeguarding peace in Europe.

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#90280h0072 10/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (OCT. 7) XINHUA - JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU TODAY ENDED A TWO-DAY VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA AFTER REACHING AN AGREEMENT WITH SAUDI ARABIA TO WORK FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE GULF CRISIS, REPORTS REACHING HERE SAID.

A JAPANESE SPOKESMAN SHIGEO TAKANEKA SAID KAIFU AND KING FAHD HAD AGREED THAT THE GULF CRISIS "SHOULD BE SOLVED IN A PEACEFUL MANNER AND THEY PLEDGED TO WORK TOWARD THAT END."

KAIFU AND KING FAHD HELD AN OVERNIGHT MEETING SATURDAY. THE OFFICIAL SAUDI PRESS AGENCY REPORTED THE MEETING, BUT GAVE NO DETAILS OF IT.

TAKANEKA DISCLOSED THAT KING FAHD URGED JAPAN TO EXTEND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MORE COUNTRIES LIKE SYRIA AND BANGLADESH IN ADDITION TO THOSE MOSTLY HIT BY THE U.N.-IMPOSED ECONOMIC BLOCKADE OF IRAQ.

KING FAHD EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR JAPAN'S SUPPORT FOR SAUDI ARABIA'S STANCE CONCERNING THE GULF CRISIS, THE SPOKESMAN WAS QUOTED AS SAYING.

HE SAID KAIFU REAFFIRMED JAPAN'S POSITION, CALLING FOR A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL IRAQI WITHDRAWAL FROM KUWAIT, THE RESTORATION OF KUWAIT'S LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT AND THE RELEASE OF ALL FOREIGNERS HELD BY IRAQ AFTER THE AUGUST 2 INVASION OF KUWAIT.

TAKANEKA SAID JAPAN MAY CONSIDER EXPANDING ITS ASSISTANCE TO OTHER AFFECTED COUNTRIES. BUT HE NOTED THIS MIGHT BE DONE LATER WHEN JAPAN INCREASES THE AMOUNT OF FUND IT HAS PLEDGED.

DURING HIS STAY IN SAUDI ARABIA, KAIFU ALSO MET WITH CROWN PRINCE ABDULLAH, DEPUTY PREMIER AND COMMANDER OF THE KINGDOM'S PARAMILITARY NATIONAL GUARD, AND SAUDI OIL, FINANCE AND INDUSTRY MINISTERS.

TOKYO AND RIYADH ARE KEEN TO FURTHER CONSOLIDATE BILATERAL TIES, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

JAPAN IS SAUDI ARABIA'S SECOND MAJOR TRADING PARTNER AFTER THE UNITED STATES. ITS EXPORTS TO THE KINGDOM LAST YEAR WERE MORE THAN 2.7 BILLION DOLLARS AGAINST IMPORTS OF ABOUT 7 BILLION DOLLARS.

KAIFU LEFT THE KINGDOM FOR OMAN IN THE AFTERNOON, THE LAST LEG OF HIS FIVE-NATION GULF TOUR THAT HAS ALSO TAKEN HIM TO EGYPT, JORDAN AND TURKEY.

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#90280k0040 10/07/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (OCT. 7) KYODO - PAKISTAN AND INDONESIA SUNDAY SIGNED AN AGREEMENT TO PREVENT DOUBLE TAXATION AND FISCAL EVASION WITH RESPECT TO TAXES ON INCOMES BY THEIR CITIZENS IN EACH OTHER'S COUNTRY.

THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED BY CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL BOARD OF REVENUE AHADULLAH AKMAL AND INDONESIAN AMBASSADOR TO PAKISTAN KARJADI SINDUNEGOR ON BEHALF OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS.

IT SHOULD COME INTO FORCE AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS IN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT, RESIDENTS OF ONE COUNTRY DERIVING INCOME FROM A SOURCE OF INVESTMENT IN THE OTHER COUNTRY WILL BE EXEMPT FROM PAYING TAX.

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#90280u0070 10/07/1990 ~United Press International

JAKARTA, Indonesia (OCT. 7) UPI - President Suharto will visit China and Vietnam next month, the first trip to the two communist nations by an Indonesian leader for nearly 30 years, a Cabinet minister said.

State Secretary Murdiono said Suharto will visit China in mid- November for a five-day official visit, following a trip to Tokyo to attend the inaugural ceremony of Japanese Emperor Akihito, the daily newspaper Kompas said Sunday.

Murdiono made his remarks in Beijing, where he attended the Asian Games in his capacity as the chief of Indonesia's Lawn Tennis Association. During his stay in the capital of China, Murdiono was given a special treatment by Chinese government and invited by Chinese Premier Li Peng for a dinner.

Li Peng, who visited Indonesia and witnessed the signing of the diplomatic

relations between the two countries in early August, said Suharto would be given a warm welcome by China's government, Murdiono said.

No dates were specified for the five-day official visit to China. Suharto and his delegation are scheduled to visit several other cities and places in China besides Beijing.

Kompas said Suharto is scheduled to visit Vietnam after China.

It will be the first trip by an Indonesian president to either country in nearly 30 years. Sukarno, Indonesia's first leader, visited China and North Vietnam in the early 1960s.

Jakarta broke off relations with Beijing in 1967, charging China with complicity in an unsuccessful coup attempt. China has steadfastly denied the accusation.

The countries resumed diplomatic ties in early August. China officially reopened its embassy in Indonesia's capital of Jakarta late last month.

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#90280u0077 10/07/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 7) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Auto Racing
Charlotte, N.C. - NASCAR All Pro Auto Parts 500
Lower Nazareth, Pa. - CART Bosch Spark Plug Grand Prix

Baseball
ALCS - Oakland at Boston, 8:30 p.m.

Football
Detroit at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Kansas City at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
NY Jets at Miami, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Houston, 1 p.m.
Seattle at New England, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Dallas, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at at Chicago, 4 p.m.
Cincinnati at LA Rams, 4 p.m.
LA Raiders at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.

Games

Beijing - Asian Games

Golf
San Antonio, Texas - PGA Texas Open
Tallahasee, Fla. - $750,000 LPGA Centel Classic
Clemmons, N.C. - $1.5 million Vantage Championship
Stuttgart, Germany - German Masters

Hockey
Detroit at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
Boston at Quebec, 7:35 p.m.
New Jersey at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at Edmonton, 8:05 p.m.
NY Islanders at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.

Tennis
Sydney, Australia - $1 million Australian Indoor Championships
Moscow - $100,000 Women's Open
Toulouse, France - $260,000 Grand Prix

Yachting
Newport, R.I. - Flying Dutchman World Championships

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#90280u0095 10/07/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 7) UPI - AL BOX SCORE:

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
RHendrsn lf	5	1	2	3	Reed 2b	3	0	0	0
McGee cf	4	1	0	0	Quintana 1b	4	0	0	0
Canseco rf	2	1	1	1	Boggs 3b	4	1	1	1
Baines dh	3	0	1	0	Burks cf	4	0	1	0
Blnknshp dh	0	1	0	0	Greenwell lf	4	0	0	0
Lansford 3b	5	1	3	2	Evans dh	2	0	0	0
Steinbach c	5	1	3	1	Brunnsky rf	3	0	1	0
McGwire 1b	3	1	0	0	Pena c	3	0	0	0
Weiss ss	3	2	0	0	Rivera ss	2	0	1	0
Gallego 2b	1	0	1	0	Marshall ph	1	0	1	0
Quirk ph	1	0	1	0	Kutcher pr	0	0	0	0
Randolph 2b	2	0	1	1	Barrett 2b	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	9	13	8	Totals	30	1	5	1

Oakland	000	000	117-	9
Boston	000	100	000-	1

DP-Oakland 1, Boston 1. LOB-Oakland 11, Boston 4. 2B-Lansford, Burks. HR-Boggs (1). SB-Canseco (1), R Henderson (1), McGee (1). S-Reed, Baines, McGee. SF-R

Henderson, Canseco.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Stewart (W 1-0)	8	4	1	1	1	3
Eckersley	1	1	0	0	0	0
Boston						
Clemens	6	4	0	0	4	4
Andersen (L 0-1)	1	2	2	2	1	0
Bolton	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Gray	2-3	3	2	1	1	0
Lamp	1-3	2	4	4	2	0
Murphy	2-3	2	1	1	1	0

Anderson pitched to one batter in the 8th inning. Gray pitched to two batters in the 9th inning.

WP-Clemens. PB-Pena.

Umpires-Home, Garcia; 1b, Hirschbeck; 2b, Evans; 3b, Cooney; Lf, Voltaggio; Rf McCoy.

T-3:26. A-35,192.

(Compiled by Sports Ticker.)

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#90280u0096 10/07/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (OCT. 7) UPI - Dave Stewart equalled a record with his fourth career playoff victory and Oakland embarrassed Boston with a record-tying seven-run ninth inning Saturday night, helping the Athletics open the American League Championship Series with a 9-1 rout of the Red Sox.

Stewart, 22-11 during the regular season, allowed four hits over eight innings in raising his post-season mark to 6-1. Boston's bullpen wasted six scoreless innings from ace right-hander Roger Clemens, putting Oakland in control of the best-of-seven series.

Having nullified Boston's home-field advantage, the A's Sunday night throw 27-game winner Bob Welch against Dana Kiecker, a rookie with a 3-5 record in Fenway Park.

Wade Boggs gave Boston a 1-0 lead with a fourth-inning homer but loser Larry Andersen allowed the tying and winning runs in the seventh and eighth innings, respectively. Oakland then outclassed the Red Sox in the ninth, driving a

Fenway Park crowd of 35,192 to the exits.

On a warm New England night, Stewart beat Boston for the ninth straight time and the A's scored their fifth consecutive playoff win over the Red Sox.

In so doing, they displayed the elements that have put them in two straight World Series: pitching, a mastery of fundamentals, and skill in the clutch.

With the score tied 1-1 in the eighth, the A's received a sacrifice from their cleanup hitter, a stolen base from a slugger, and an RBI single by Lansford, who had fallen behind 0-2 in the count.

Stewart tied a playoff record held by six others, and can break it later in the series. Both previous playoff matchups between the clubs have ended in sweeps. Boston took three straight in 1975 and the A's swept four two years ago.

Clemens had not beaten Stewart since 1984, but led 1-0 when he departed after six. Then the bullpen turned opportunity to embarrassment.

Mark McGwire led off the seventh with a walk and Walt Weiss forced him. Jamie Quirk hit for Mike Gallego and, with Weiss running, singled him to third. After Willie Randolph ran for Quirk, Rickey Henderson hit a sacrifice fly to center.

In the eighth, Jose Canseco led off with a single and Tom Bolton relieved Andersen. Harold Baines sacrificed, his first of this season. Jeff Gray replaced Bolton and Canseco stole third. Lansford then blooped a single to right, producing the run.

In the ninth, Rickey Henderson led off with a single and advanced when Gray bobbled Willie McGee's sacrifice. Dennis Lamp relieved and Henderson stole third. McGee then stole second. Canseco lifted a sacrifice fly. Baines received an intentional walk and Lansford doubled down the left-field line, scoring McGee and starting an exodus from Fenway Park. Steinbach singled to left, delivering the third run of the inning.

McGwire walked and a run scored when ball four got past catcher Tony Pena. Weiss also walked and Randolph singled home a run. Henderson added a two-run single. The outburst equalled the most runs by one team in an inning in AL postseason play.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - A report by the Minnesota Lawyers International Human Rights Committee says a U-S-sponsored program to improve Guatemala's judicial system is being suspended because of a lack of political will in the Latin American

country. The report says the Guatemalan government does NOT aggressively try to solve crimes involving human rights abuses by security forces.

Recent taste tests by food science experts at Penn State University indicate that salmon raised on land tastes better than those from the sea. Farm-raised salmon beat out wild Atlantic and Pacific salmon in consumer taste tests. Officials say the results were surprising because Alaskan salmon... which was among those tested... was considered the best available.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	1	0	0	2	7	4
New Jersey	1	0	1	2	6	4
Washington	1	1	0	2	10	11
NY Rangers	0	2	0	0	7	9
Philadelphia	0	2	0	0	4	5
NY Islanders	0	2	0	0	3	8

Adams Division

Boston	2	0	0	4	11	1
Hartford	1	0	1	3	8	7
Montreal	1	0	1	3	9	8
Buffalo	0	1	1	1	8	9
Quebec	0	1	1	1	3	10

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	2	0	0	4	9	5
St. Louis	1	1	0	2	5	7
Detroit	0	1	1	1	7	9
Minnesota	0	1	0	0	2	3
Toronto	0	2	0	0	2	11

Smythe Division

Calgary	2	0	0	4	7	3
Edmonton	1	0	0	2	1	0
Winnipeg	1	1	0	2	7	2
Los Angeles	1	1	0	2	7	7
Vancouver	1	1	0	2	8	6

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NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 7) UPI - Sen. J. Bennett Johnston, D-La., won re-election to a fourth term in Louisiana's open primary Saturday, defeating former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke, a Republican rejected by his own party because of his racist history.

With 91 percent of the vote counted, the unofficial returns showed Johnston leading with 667,481 votes, or 54 percent of the total, compared to 545,347 votes for Duke, or 44 percent of the total.

The margin of victory was far less than the 60 to 65 percent Johnston had predicted earlier in the day but he still said it was a big victory.

''This is very clear. This ain't close,'' Johnston said. ''I won this race by 10 full percentage points. That's a big win and I'm happy with it.''

Duke said he would file suit to challenge the disallowance of absentee ballots cast for Ben Bagert, the Republican nominee who withdrew two days before the election. Duke said he would have gotten most of Bagert's votes if citizens who voted absentee for Bagert had another chance.

''We will fight to make sure their vote is heard in the state of Louisiana... We are not going to let a political deal determine the outcome of this election,'' Duke said. ''Our preliminary indications are that Ben Bagert is drawing a number of votes, at least enough to make a difference.''

Duke had claimed Johnston cut a deal with Bagert to get him out of the race to prevent a runoff. When Bagert withdrew on Thursday, he said he was doing it because he knew he could not make a runoff and he did not want Duke to get in one.

Under state law, votes for a candidate who withdraws after his name is on the ballot are discounted. Even if the votes could be counted, it did not appear there would have been enough to help Duke.

There were 68,000 absentee ballots cast in the week before the election. Even if Duke were to have gotten all of them, it would not have been enough to overcome Johnston.

In his victory speech, Johnston acknowledged the heavy vote against him, and attributed it to tough economic times and frustration.

''To all those people across the state ... who are frustrated and had difficult times, and who didn't join with us in this campaign, and we understand there are lots of those, we offer the hand of goodwill. Unite with

us,'' Johnston said.

Voting was heavy throughout the state, with some precincts reporting long lines of voters waiting to cast ballots after the official poll closing at 9 p.m. EDT.

The heavy voting appeared to bear out the prediction of Secretary of State Fox McKeithen of a near-record turnout of about 75 percent of Louisiana's 2.2 million registered voters.

''Reports say the turnout is extremely heavy,'' McKeithen said. ''Caddo (Parish) is extraordinarily heavy. Jefferson, Orleans and East Baton Rouge is extra heavy.''

Caddo Parish (county) in northwest Louisiana is Johnston's home region. Jefferson Parish, adjacent to New Orleans, is home to Duke's district. Johnston was beating Duke 3-to-1 in New Orleans, where the voter registration is 55 percent black.

There were four other minor candidates on the ballot.

In Louisiana's open primary system, all candidates of all parties, whether nominated or not, run on the same ballot. The candidate drawing more than 50 percent is automatically elected. If no candidate wins a majority, there is a runoff between the top two finishers in November.

Duke, a former grand wizard of the Knights of Ku Klux Klan who has also had ties to neo-Nazi organizations, focused his campaign on attacks on welfare recipients, affirmative action, taxes and the establishment.

Johnston said he would win in a landslide because voters would reject Duke's ''racist message.''

Republican Party officials feared a Duke-Johnston runoff campaign lasting another four weeks would allow Democrats to label the party as racist. A number of them stated they would vote for Johnston.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Quebec	0	1	0-0
Boston	3	1	3-7

First period-1, Boston, Poulin 2 (Carter, Quintal), sh, 6:50. 2, Boston, Janney 2 (Neely), sh, 8:22. 3, Boston, D. Sweeney 1 (unassisted), 16:54.

Penalties-Carter, Bos, :55; Fortier, Que, 3:06; Wesley, Bos, 4:18; Wolanin, Que, 6:27; Wesley, Bos, 6:27; Pedersen, Bos, 6:27; McRae, Que, 8:46; Wolanin, Que, 12:06; Tanner (served by McRae), Que, 13:28; Galley, Bos, 13;28.

Second period-4, Boston, Neely 2 (Bourque, Janney), pp, 1:34. 5, Quebec, Petit 1 (unassisted), 9:44.

Penalties-Kimble, Que, :14; Pedersen, Bos, :14; Leschyshyn, Que, 1:27; D. Sweeney, Bos, 14:54.

Third period-6, Boston, Christian 1 (D. Sweeney), 6:12. 7, Boston, Walz 1 (Quintal, Burridge), 14:10. 8, Boston, Douris 1 (Wesley, Christian), pp, 18:53.

Penalties- Lemelin (served by Walz), Bos, 7:37; Sundin, Que, 17:31.

Shots on goal-Quebec 6-12-5-23. Boston 9-19- 10-38.

Power-play conversions-Quebec 5-0. Boston 5-2.

Goaltenders-Quebec, Tanner, Gordon (:00 2nd per). Boston, Lemelin. A-14,025.

Referee-Don Koharski.

NY Rangers	0	2	2-4
Hartford	2	1	2-5

First period-1, Hartford, Francis 1 (Krygier, Samuelsson), 2:11. 2, Hartford, Burt 1 (Krygier, Francis), pp, 16:09. Penalties-Moller, NYR, 0:41; Babych, Har 1:20; Ferraro, Har, 5:46; Ferraro, Har, 11:25; Hardy, NYR, 14:21; King, NYR, 14:21; Samuelsson, Har, 19:40.

Second period-3, New York, Patrick 1 (Leetch), 0:26. 4, New York, Leetch 1 (Mullen, Ogrodnick), 3:17. 5, Hartford, Cyr 1 (Ferraro, Dineen), 15:48.

Penalties-Mullen, NYR, 8:59; Nicholls, NYR, 17:38; Jennings, Har, 17:38; Hartford bench, 20:00.

Third Period-6, New York, Turcotte 1 (Leetch, Nicholls), pp, 7:03. 7, New York Hardy 1 (King, Janssens), 7:05. 8, Hartford, Dineen 2 (Wilson, B.Shaw), pp, 9:59. 9, Hartford, Verbeek 2 (Corriveau, Evason), 15:03.

Penalties-Wilson, Har, 6:13; D.Shaw, NYR, 8:32; Hardy, NYR, 19:48.

Shots on goal-NY Rangers 11-8-9-28. Hartford 9-10-12-31.

Power-play conversions-NY Rangers 6-2. Hartford 6-2.

Goaltenders-NY Rangers, Richter. Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. A-12,590.

Referee-Denis Morel.

Philadelphia	1	0	0-1
New Jersey	1	0	2-3

First period-1, New Jersey, Poddubny 1 (Shanahan, Ysebaert), 5:39. 2, Philadelphia, Murray 1 (Carkner), pp, 11:28.

Penalties-Daneyko, NJ, 0:21; Berube, Phi, 3:31; Mellanby, Phi, 8:26; Muller, NJ, 10:47.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Smith, Phi, 6:15; Kasatonov, NJ, 6:15; Horacek, Phi, 10:18; Chychrun Phi, major (fighting), 13:59; Stewart, NJ, major (fighting), 13:59; Albelin, NJ, 16:48; Muller, NJ, 19:00.

Third period-3, New Jersey, Daneyko 1 (Stastny, Driver), pp, 2:22. 4, New Jersey, Lemieux 3 (Stastny, Muller), 12:01.

Penalties-Smith, Phi, 1:44; Fetisov, NJ, 5:11; Hostak, Phi, 6:31.

Shots on goal-Philadelphia 9-9-9-27. New Jersey 5-7-10-22.

Power-play conversions-Philadelphia 5-1. New Jersey 5-1.

Goaltenders-Philadelphia, Hextall. New Jersey, Burke. A-13,050.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

Detroit	1	2	1-4
Washington	3	2	1-6

First period-1, Washington, Ciccarelli 1 (Zezel, May), 6:12. 2, Washington, Miller 2 (Rouse), 6:54. 3, Detroit, Wilkie 1 (Barr, Cheveldae), 12:31. 4, Washington, Zezel 2 (Rouse, Ridley), 16:07.

Penalties-Druce, Wash, 14:50; Probert, Det, 15:34; Kocur, Det, 17:41.

Second period-5, Detroit, Garpenlov 1 (Chiasson, Fedyk), 3:10. 6, Washington, Ridley 2 (Leach, Miller), 5:22. 7, Detroit, Carson 1 (Burr), 8:19. 8, Washington, Kypreos 1 (Rouse, Ciccarelli), 9:43. Penalties-Kocur, Det, 6:21; Ciccarelli, Wash, 10:36; Kocur, Det, (fighting), 12:58; Rouse, Wash, (fighting), 12:58; McCrimmon, Det, 13:05; Pivonka, Wash, 13:32; Probert, Det, 18:29.

Third period-9, Washington, Pivonka (Ciccarelli, Zezel), :59.

Penalties-Pivonka, Wash, 1:41; May, Wash, 10:15; Kocur, Det, 10:15.

Shots on goal-Detroit 7-9-9-25. Washington 12-8-7-27.

Power-play conversions-Detroit 5-0. Washington 5-1.

Goaltenders-Detroit, Cheveldae. Washington, Liut. Washington, Liut. A-15, 836.

Referee-Paul Devorski.

Winnipeg	0	3	0	0-3
Edmonton	1	2	0	0-3

First Period-1, Edmonton, S. Smith, 1 (Messier, Simpson), 6:20.

Penalties-G. Smith, Edm, 10:47; S. Smith, Edm, 17:38.

Second Period-2, Edmonton, Gelinas, 1 (Murphy, G. Smith), 2:32. 3, Winnipeg, Ashton, 1 (Fenton, Housley), 17:15. 4, Winnipeg, Housley, 1, pp (Numminen, Paslawski), 18:14. 5, Edmonton, Simpson, 1, pp (Klima, S. Smith), 18:48. 6, Winnipeg, Evans, 1 (Elynuik, Housley), 19:24.

Penalties-Kumpel, Wpg, 5:49; Donnelly, Wpg, major-fighting, 5:49; Graves, Edm, major-fighting 5:49; MacTavish, Edm, 10:17; Evans, Wpg, 10:17; MacDermid, Wpg, 12:19; Huddy, Edm, 17:55; Olausson, Wpg, 18:31.

Third Period-No scoring.

Overtime period-No scoring.

Penalties-Donnelly, Wpg, major (fighting), 3:05; Donnelly, Wpg, 3:05; Graves, Edm, major (fighting, game misconduct), 3:05; Graves, Edm, 3:05; Tikkanen, Edm 15:42; Smail, Wpg, 15:42.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 6-7-4-2-19, Edmonton 7-13-13-1-34.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 3-1, Edmonton 3-1.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Ranford; Winnipeg, Tabaracci. A-17,503.

Referee-Andy Van Hellemond.

NY Islanders	0	0	2	--2
Minnesota	2	1	1	--4

First Period-1, Minnesota, Churla 1 (Berezan, McRae) 6:21. 2, Minnesota, Gagner 2 (Broten, Smith), pp, 11:40.

Penalties-Wilkinson, Minn, 7:17; McBean, NYI, 9:54; Finley, NYI, 12:43; Musil, Minn, 16:52.

Second Period-3, Minnesota, Murphy 1 (Propp, Giles) 1:32.

Penalties-Volek, NYI, 14:10; Ludwing, NYI, 16:35.

Third Period-4, NY Islanders, Flatley 1 (Ludwig) :32. 5, Minnesota, Propp 1 (Wilkinson, Gagner) 5:37. 6, NY Islanders, B. Sutter 1 (King, Crossman), pp, 11:26.

Penalties-Gavin, Minn, 8:03; Nylund, NYI, (double minor), 8:03; Smith, Minn, 11:35; Wilkinson, Minn, 12:57; Musil, Minn, 15:12; LaFontaine, NYI, 15:12; Baumgartner, NYI, 17:08; Casey, Minn, (served by Craig 18:01).

Shots on goal-NY Islanders 6-9-14-29. Minnesota 19-18-9-46.

Power-play conversions-NY Islanders 5-1. Minnesota 6-1.

Goaltenders-NY Islanders, Healy. Minnesota, Casey. A-19,040.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

Vancouver	3	2	1	--6
Los Angeles	1	1	1	--3

First period-1, Vancouver, Kron 1 (Butcher), sh, 3:45; 2, Vancouver, Linden 1 (Quinn, Lumme), 9:03; 3, Vancouver, Stern 1 (Kron), 16:29. 4; Los Angeles, Elik 1 (Taylor, Robitaille), 16:52.

Penalties-Stern, Van., 2:04; Watters, LA, 5:13; Lumme, Van., 5:55; Agnew, Van. 11:33; Granato, LA, 12:16; Nordmark, Van., 15:40, Tonelli, LA, 15:40.

Second period-5, Vancouver, Butcher 1 (Linden, Quinn), 2:08; 6, Vancouver, Capuano 1 (Unassisted), pp, 10:14; 7, Los Angeles, Robitaille 1 (Robinson, Taylor), pp, 15:51.

Penalties-Bjugstad, LA, 8:23; Butcher, Van., double minor, 11:20; Stern, Van., major (fighting), 11:20; Sandstrom, LA, 11:20; Buskas, LA, major (fighting), 11:20; Coxe, Van., double minor, 14:46; Nordmark, Van., 16:51.

Third period-8, Los Angeles, Robitaille 2 (Blake, Elik), pp, 16:44. 9, Vancouver, Skriko 1 (Larionov, Adams), 18:17.

Penalties-Breault, LA, 4:12; Sandlak, Van., major (misconduct), 10:23; Granato LA, major (misconduct), 10:23; Quinn, Van., 11:05; Robitaille, LA, 11:05; Nordmark, Van. 15:51.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 9-6-8-23. Los Angeles 9-13-9-31.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 4-1. Los Angeles 8-2.

Goaltenders-Vancouver, McLean. Los Angeles, Hrudey. A-13,753.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

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SEOUL, South Korea (OCT. 7) UPI - Ranking defense officials are likely to be fired soon for allegedly having military security agents conduct illegal surveillance on more than 1,300 prominent civilians, published reports said Sunday.

All major daily newspapers published in Seoul said in front-page stories that Defense Minister Lee Sang-hoon and Army Lt. Gen. Cho Nam- pung, head of the powerful Defense Security Command, will be among those to be replaced.

The shakeup may be announced after President Roh Tae-woo and Kim Young-sam, the second highest leader of Roh's ruling Democratic Liberal Party, discuss the situation at a meeting Monday, the reports said.

Political parties as well as other organizations, including the Korean Bar Association and dissident and civic groups, have been furious about the alleged military surveillance on civilians which was disclosed by an Army deserter.

Private Yoon Suk-yang, 24, came to the National Council of Churches Building in downtown Seoul late Thursday and made the disclosure in a ''declaration of conscience.''

Yoon, who was assigned to a branch office of the Defense Security Command, said agents of the command were monitoring activities of the surveillance targets including Kim Dae Jung and Kim Young-sam and other politicians, lawyers, church leaders, college professors, journalists, labor activists and dissidents.

Yoon produced documented material backing up his allegations. Military officials admitted that the data had been stolen by Yoon from an office of the Defense Security Command which is in charge of both criminal investigations and intelligence for the armed forces.

Under the previous governments the Defense Security Command was accused by the opposition of spying on politicians and meddling in politics. After President Roh came to power the government said it was reorganizing the command

structure to bar such surveillance.

As protests rose, defense officials said the personal files on the 1, 300 people were prepared not out of political motivations but to protect or isolate them from ''the enemy and impure forces'' in case of war and other emergencies.

Critics countered by saying that the listed targets included few pro-government personalities who should naturally be entitled to protection if protection was what the list really aimed at.

The reports said President Roh was enraged upon learning the alleged military surveillance on civilians and told officials concerned to make clear who was responsible.

Along with the reshuffle, ''the Defense Security Command may be revamped in due course while institutional devices will be introduced to keep the intelligence organization from spying on nonmilitary figures,'' the English-language Korea Herald said.

Dissident groups said they will hold a rally in a few days to protest the illegal military spying activity against civilians.

Opposition parties proposed a joint investigation into the case and the government party welcomed it. The main opposition Party for Peace and Democracy, led by Kim Dae Jung, demanded that Roh apologize for the Defense Security Command's actions.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - Let the scramble begin.

With losses by No. 1 Notre Dame and No. 2 Florida State, it's anybody's guess who might end up with the top ranking when the next United Press International ratings come out Sunday.

Stanford's Tommy Vardell scored four touchdowns on 1-yard rushes, including the game-winner with 31 seconds remaining, to lead the Cardinal to a 36-31 victory over Notre Dame.

Halfway across the country, two Miami runners ran for more than 140 yards in leading the Hurricanes to a 31-22 victory over the Seminoles.

Notre Dame and Florida State were the only two teams whose positions remained unchanged after a spate of losses last week, but their losses should result in a close race for the new No. 1 position.

No. 3 Nebraska seems a likely heir apparent to the top spot after its 45-8 victory over Kansas State, but the Cornhuskers could be passed over because of a soft nonconference schedule.

''I don't know,'' Nebraska Coach Tom Osborne said when asked if his team would be No. 1. ''Right now nobody's going to give us much credit for our schedule. We've played a couple of a teams that aren't too bad.

Some voters may side with No. 4 Michigan, with three big wins after losing to Notre Dame in the final minutes of the opening game. Or it could be No. 5 Virginia, idle this week with a 5-0 record and a scoring average of 51 points per game.

Miami, the preseason No. 1 until a season-opening loss to Brigham Young, made a strong case for itself as well after the way the Hurricanes pounded Florida State.

Steve McGuire busted up the middle for 176 yards in 31 attempts and one touchdown despite an attack of leg cramps in the second quarter. Leonard Conley added 144 yards in 15 carries and two touchdowns.

''Our coaches pounded in us all week we had to establish the running game to win,'' Conley said. ''We ran so well in the first half we just kept running and punched it down their throat.''

The win was Miami's 34th straight in the Orange Bowl stadium and avenged a 24-10 loss at Florida State last year that nearly knocked the Hurricanes out of the national championship they eventually won.

A Florida State win would have been its 15th in a row, tying a school record. It also would have been the 200th for Coach Bobby Bowden, but now he will have to wait for Florida State's game in two weeks at Auburn.

''If we would have won today, we were No. 1 in the land,'' Bowden said. ''Now, we have to fight back. We could have won the stinking game.''

Notre Dame created the opening by fumbling three punts that Stanford turned into touchdowns. Rickey Watters fumbled two punts and Adrian Jarrell fumbled another.

Notre Dame's top punt returner, Raghib Ismail, played sparingly because of a deep thigh bruise that has bothered throughout the season and kept him out of practice for two days earlier in the week.

''It's very disappointing. I don't know that I've ever been in a loss that's this difficult,'' Notre Dame Coach Lou Holtz said. ''There is going to be some changes somewhere when you give up 36 points. I know one thing - we'll work on catching punts this week.''

Vardell's four touchdowns marked the most for a Stanford player since Darrin Nelson set the school record with five scores in 1981.

--- AROUND THE AL ---

In other games featuring the Top 10, No. 4 Michigan waltzed past Wisconsin 41-3, No. 6 Auburn edged Louisiana Tech 16-14 and No. 9 Colorado nipped Missouri 33-31.

Also, No. 12 Illinois topped No. 25 Ohio State 34-20, No. 13 Clemson pounded Georgia 34-3, No. 14 Washington ripped Arizona State 42-14, No. 15 Texas A&M defeated Texas Tech 28-24, Texas Christian upset No. 16 Arkansas 54-26, No. 17 Oregon blasted Utah State 52-7, No. 18 Georgia Tech dumped Maryland 31-3, Iowa upended No. 19 Michigan State 12-7, Northern Illinois ran over No. 20 Fresno State 73-18, No. 21 Arizona overtook UCLA 28-21, No. 22 Indiana blanked Northwestern 42-0, No. 23 Mississippi beat Kentucky 35-29 and No. 24 Wyoming outgunned San Diego State 52-51.

In a late game, No. 11 Southern Cal knocked off Washington State 30- 17.

At Madison, Wis., Elvis Grbac passed for 154 yards and three touchdowns to lead Michigan. Grbac completed 15 of 20 attempts, including TD passes of 29, 8 and 2 yards.

At Auburn, Ala., Jim Von Wyl kicked a 30-yard field goal with three seconds left to lift Auburn over Louisiana Tech. Von Wyl's field goal, his third of the game, capped a 74-yard drive that began at the Auburn 13 with 2:02 left.

At Columbia, Mo., quarterback Charles Johnson scored on a ''fifth down'' play with no time remaining for Colorado. Eric Bieniemy failed to score from the 1 on third down and Johnson threw the ball to the turf on fourth down to stop the clock with three seconds left. After Johnson scored on the next play, officials allowed the winning touchdown to stand after a 20-minute discussion.

At Columbus, Ohio, Howard Griffith's 12-yard TD run ignited an Illinois comeback against Ohio State. Illinois also capitalized on a controversial touchdown off a blocked Ohio State field-goal attempt, in which the Illini scored following an obvious forward lateral.

At Clemson, S.C., Chris Gardocki kicked a four field goals and freshman Ronald Williams ran for two touchdowns to lead Clemson. Georgia's lone score came on a 48-yard field goal by John Kasay.

At Tempe, Ariz., Greg Lewis ran for three touchdowns and set up another with a long pass reception to lead Washington over Arizona State. The Sun Devils played the game without quarterback Paul Justin, out for three weeks with a separated shoulder.

At College Station, Texas, reserve quarterback Bucky Richardson threw a TD pass and scored on two short runs as part of a 21-point Texas A&M second half. Darren Lewis carried 34 times for a career-high 232 yards for the Aggies.

At Little Rock, Ark., Leon Clay threw four touchdown passes and scored on a 1-yard run to send Texas Christian rolling over Arkansas. TCU's 54 points were the most against Arkansas since Tulsa beat the Razorbacks 61-0 in 1943 and the most against the Razorbacks by a Southwest Conference team in 68 years.

At Eugene, Ore., Bill Musgrave threw for 187 yards and three touchdowns to lead Oregon. Musgrave, who completed 15 of 23 passes, set the school record for career total offense with 6,878 yards.

At College Park, Md., Shawn Jones passed for 271 yards and linebacker Marco Coleman recorded 5 of Georgia Tech's 11 sacks to lead the Yellow Jackets. T.J. Edwards added 97 yards rushing for Georgia Tech, whose defense has yet to give up a touchdown this season.

At East Lansing, Mich., Jeff Skillett kicked two field goals and Matt Rodgers tossed a 5-yard touchdown pass to Nick Bell to lead Iowa. Iowa has not lost to Michigan State at Spartan Stadium since 1978.

At DeKalb, Ill., quarterback Stacey Robinson rushed for an NCAA- record 308 yards and five TDs to lead Northern Illinois over Fresno State. Robinson, who carried 22 times out of the wishbone offense, scored on touchdown bursts of 39 9, 41, 67 and 11 yards, all in three quarters.

At Pasadena, Calif., Darryl Lewis returned an interception 70 yards for a touchdown with 50 seconds remaining to lift Arizona. UCLA appeared to tie the game as time ran out, but it was ruled quarterback Tommy Maddox had crossed the line of scrimmage before hitting Sean LaChapelle with a pass in the end zone.

At Evanston, Ill., Trent Green and Vaughn Dunbar rushed for two touchdowns each to lead Indiana. The closest Northwestern advanced all afternoon was to the Indiana 13 with five minutes remaining.

At Oxford, Miss., Randy Baldwin rushed for 88 yards and two touchdowns to lead Mississippi. The Rebels scored 21 straight points after spotting Kentucky a first-half touchdown.

At Laramie, Wyo., Tom Corontzos threw for a 421 yards and three touchdowns as Wyoming held off a late San Diego State charge. San Diego State quarterback Dan McGwire completed 27 of 42 passes for 415 yards and 5 TDs.

At Los Angeles, Mazio Royster, substituting for injured tailback Ricky Ervins, rushed for 203 yards and three touchdowns to propel No. 11 Southern Cal. Scott

Lockwood ran for 102 yards and a touchdown and set up Royster's second score with a 59-yard punt return. USC's Todd Marinovich completed 14 of 19 passes for 159 yards and no interceptions.

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#90280u0212 10/07/1990 ~United Press International
BEIRUT, Lebanon (OCT. 7) UPI - A high-ranking Iranian delegate arrived in Beirut to supervise the release of Anglican Curch Envoy Terry Waite within days, a Lebanese newspaper said Sunday.

The Ad Diyar newspaper quoted ''trustworthy sources'' as saying ''there are very serious indications on the possibility to release British hostage Terry Waite in the coming few days.''

The sources said ''secret negotiations were held in the past two months to finalize the details of the release as agreed,'' between the Iran and Britain.

They said a high-ranking Iranian delegate whose identity was not revealed arrived in Beirut's airport using an Algerian passport to finalize and supervise the release.

The newspaper said British Ambassador to Lebanon David Tetham met this Iranian delegate during a recent visit to a religious figure in Lebanon.

Last month, Tetham met the spiritual leader of the pro-Iranian Hezbollah or Party of God Ayatollah Mohammed Hussein Fadlallah. Both denied that the hostages issue was raised during the meeting.

Waite with two other Britons, John McCarthy and Jack Mann, are among 12 Westerners held captives in Lebanon by fundamentalist groups believed affiliated with Hezbollah.

Ad Diyar said the ''scenario'' of the release as agreed between the Iranians and Britons was for the British government to express its goodwill toward the Moslems and provide Iran with arms.

According to the agreement, writer Salman Rushdi would appear on television and appologize for his book ''The Satanic Verses'', which Iran considers blasphemous to Islam. Britain would then withdraw the book from book markets.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

Former Klansman David Duke has lost his election bid to become a U-S Senator

from Louisiana. With 91 percent of the vote in... Democratic Senator Bennett Johnston had 54 percent of the vote versus 44 percent for Duke. Several Republican senators endorsed the Democrat because of Duke's racist background.

Congress meets in a rare Sunday session and could take action on a new budget plan being hammered together overnight by House negotiators. The late-night flurry of activity comes after representatives failed to override a presidential veto of a stop-gap spending measure that allowed the doors to remain shut on many government services.

Things are looking up at the nation's space agency after NASA finally got a shuttle off the ground. The crew of the shuttle Discovery will begin work on a series of projects today. Yesterday the five astronauts began their trip and deployed the shuttle's cargo... the solar probe Ulysses.

There is another indication that the Persian Gulf crisis is driving a wedge between some nations in the Arab world. The British Broadcasting Corporation says Saudi Arabia recalled its ambassador to Jordan. The move was in retaliation for a similar Jordanian reaction following the expulsion of 20 Jordanian diplomats.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - Political analysts in Austria say the nation's two main political parties expect losses of up to 10 percent of their combined parliamentary strength. Austrians go to the polls today in the nation's first general elections since 1986. Their coalition was stung by a series of financial scandals.

Eastern Airlines officials say some of their jets may soon be bound for the Soviet Union... to stay. The troubled carrier is trying to complete an UNprecedented 200-Million-dollar deal to sell 13 L11 passenger jets to the national Soviet airline Aeroflot. The deal would be Aeroflot's first purchase of Western aircraft.

Record high temperatures were set from New England to the Gulf yesterday as an autumn heat wave swept the area. Thermometer readings were in the 80's and 90's in several states. Some areas in the Northwest and Great Lake regions had a preview of winter weather as snow fell and temperatures dipped into the 30's.

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MANILA, Philippines (OCT. 7) UPI - The fugitive leader of mutinous soldiers announced Sunday a new campaign to ''steadily wear down'' President Corazon Aquino's government after a short-lived rebellion was crushed in the southern Philippines last week.

The statement by cashiered army Col. Gregorio Honasan was issued to news agencies hours after a bomb exploded outside the Finance Department building in Manila.

No one was injured in the blast, the second in the capital since government forces Saturday crushed a 48-hour mutiny in Butuan and Cagayan de Oro City in Mindanao island, 500 miles south of Manila.

Saturday night, a blast ripped through a Jeep parked outside the Defense Department inside the heavily guarded armed forces headquarters, setting the vehicle ablaze and inuring an employee.

Officials said mutinous soldiers were trying to strike back after the defeat of army Col. Alexander Noble, who led the Mindanao uprising. Noble surrendered after his expected support from disgruntled military personnel did not materialize.

Honasan said rebel soldiers will continue with ''phase II'' of their plan to oust Aquino, who has crushed six earlier coup attempts.

''Our movement for a better Philippines will persist in steadily wearing down the (Aquino government) like the irrational bull in the arena, before we deliver the coup de grace,'' Honasan said.

He did not give details of the rebel plans but defense and military officials said they expected more terrorist bombings in the capital, which has been rocked by 40 other explosions in the past two months. The blasts have been blamed on rebel soldiers.

The military said if Honasan had the capability to mount a coup, he should have launched it on the day Noble started his uprising in Mindanao Thursday. Honasan led the Dec. 1-9 coup that nearly toppled Aquino, killed 119 people and wounded more that 500 others.

Armed forces Col. Juanito Rimando said Sunday three rebel soldiers were killed during Noble's uprising Friday when government T-28 Tora Tora planes bombed the Butan garrison Noble had seized. The bodies were found Saturday, he said.

A government pilot was also killed in the Mindanao revolt when his plane crashed on returning to base from a reconnaissance mission.

At least 240 of Noble's followers have been arrested and mopping up operations were continuing, Rimando said.

Honasan said in his letter their aim was to weaken the government and force Aquino out of office to ''give way to a constitutional succession and formation of a multi-sectoral and multi-partisan executive council'' to

prepare for ''clean and honest elections.''

Aquino took office in February 1986 in a civilian-backed military revolt against President Ferdinand Marcos, ending his 21-year reign.

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DEARBORN, MI (OCT. 7) UPI - Bargainers for Ford Motor Co. and the United Auto Workers union reached tentative agreement on a three-year contract Sunday, capping an all-night bargaining session.

No details were immediately available but UAW President Owen Bieber said Ford workers represented by his union ''will fully share in the gains achieved by the pattern settlement reached (last month) at General Motors'' Corp.

The cornerstone of that agreement is a $4 billion income security package. But other provisions penalizing the use of overtime had been seen as key sticking points in the Ford-UAW talks.

The UAW earlier scheduled a meeting of its Ford council for Tuesday at Fairlane Manor in Dearborn in anticipation of reaching agreement with Ford over the weekend.

''Ford employees across the country can take pride in what has been accomplished. Now the challenge is to build on the gains of this agreement,'' said Ford Chairman Harold Poling.

Jack Hall, Ford's chief negotiator, said the contract was achieved ''at a time when competition in our industry has never been tougher. The cyclical nature of our business is a hard fact of life and world events have heightened economic uncertainties.''

He said the contract took these development into consideration.

The new pact would cover 99,800 U.S. hourly workers employed by the No. 2. automaker.

If the contract is ratified, the focus will switch to No. 3 Chrysler Corp., which has indicated it cannot afford a contract like the one negotiated by GM.

The cost of a GM-style income security package would be much less than $4 billion at Ford, which has far fewer than GM's 280,000 active hourly employees.

But the overtime penalties presented a difficult problem because Ford relies more on overtime than either of its Big Three competitors.

GM now is assessed up to $5 an hour for overtime logged by workers. The

company is required to pay the penalty into a joint skills and training fund.

The union contended that Ford should create more jobs instead of giving existing workers extra hours.

Ford, which only has 630 workers on indefinite layoff, vs. about 30, 000 at GM argued it needed flexibility and maintained that overtime has benefited both the company and workers, especially during the periods of softer sales such as the industry is now experiencing.

For the model year ended Sept. 30, Ford saw its share of the U.S. vehicle market decline to 23.8 percent from 24.4 percent in 1989, with the total industry shrinking 7.7 percent to an estimated 14.2 million units.

Ford spokesman Dick Routh also said Ford's hourly labor costs have grown to $30.98 a worker, including wages, benefits and average overtime, from $28.88 at the start of the last Ford/UAW pact in 1987.

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ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (OCT. 7) UPI - When President Ghulam Ishaq Khan dismissed Benazir Bhutto as prime minister in August, few would have predicted she could return to power within three months.

But analysts say such a possibility is becoming more likely as moves by the president to bring corruption charges against Bhutto, some of her former ministers and family members appear to have backfired badly.

Far from discrediting the 37-year-old daughter of hanged Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, a vilification campaign against her has sparked a wave of sympathy.

''The general impression is that she is being victimized, that it was all done to terrorize her into fleeing the country,'' said one senior Pakistani commentator. ''But she has stood her ground, and this has won her more friends.''

Analysts say the unraveling of the anti-Bhutto campaign has also left Ishaq Khan politically vulnerable, the more so if Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party wins a clear majority in elections he scheduled for Oct. 24.

Ishaq Khan dismissed the 20-month-old Bhutto government Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to control law and order, a move many believe was forced on him by the army, which has ruled Pakistan for more than half of its 43-year history.

He appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi to head an interim

government until the elections.

The president also set up Special Disqualification Courts to try Bhutto and members of her administration on charges of misuse of power. If found guilty they could be barred from politics for seven years.

But independent analysts say the charges against Bhutto are not convincing and even if she is found guilty it would have little effect on the electorate. Bhutto has also said that, even if barred from running for office she would still campaign in the elections.

''The biggest case against her involves a land deal which didn't even go through. There was no transaction,'' said the commentator. ''And people here have seen the establishment plundering the country for years and they know that, whether Benazir is innocent or guilty, those people accusing her are not clean.

''Her father was hanged for murder but many believed he was innocent and they elected his daughter 11 years later.''

Ali Bhutto was ousted in a 1977 coup by the army chief of staff, Gen. Mohammad Zia ul-Haq, and executed two years later for conspiring to murder a political opponent. President Zia ruled for 11 years until his death in a 1988 plane crash.

Ishaq Khan, a close ally of Zia and his constitutional successor, immediately took office and allowed democratic elections that resulted in Bhutto becoming prime minister. Ishaq Khan was then voted president in his own right by an electoral college, largely as a result of support from Bhutto's party.

Since her ouster, Bhutto has reserved her most stinging criticism for Ishaq Khan, largely ignoring interim Prime Minister Jatoi and other former opposition leaders during her term in office.

''She's trying to prove that the contest is between him and her,'' said a senior Pakistani journalist. ''Ishaq Khan symbolizes the civil and military bureaucracy that she is trying to dissolve. It's a David and Goliath effect and its working.''

Bhutto has also received a boost from the Sept. 26 decision of the high court in the Northwest Frontier Province to declare unconstitutional the president's dissolution of the provincial assembly.

Analysts say Bhutto's opponents are becoming increasingly alarmed at the turnaround in her fortunes and their options are narrowing. Disqualifying her from the elections may just add to the sympathy vote and many fear that postponing the elections could prompt a cutoff of in U.S. aid.

During Bhutto's term in office, criticism rose of her alleged ineptitude as prime minister, even from her former supporters.

''If she'd gone to the polls on Aug. 6 she probably wouldn't have won more than 30 seats (in parliament),'' said the journalist. ''But now, I'd say she has at least a chance of a majority.''

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PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 7) UPI - The lawyer who broke the Ku Klux Klan in Alabama takes a California white supremacists to court Monday, claiming the man inspired three skinheads to beat a black student to death with a baseball bat.

The $10 million civil lawsuit names White Aryan Resistance leader Tom Metzger, 52, of Fallbrook, Calif., and son John, 22. The action was brought on behalf of the family of Mulugeta Seraw by attorney Morris Dees of the Southern Poverty Law Center of Montgomery, Ala., and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

Named as co-defendants were Kenneth Mieske, 23, (once known as ''Ken Death'') and Kyle Brewster, 19, two of three skinheads who pleaded guilty in the case. Mieske was sentenced to life in prison for first- degree murder, Brewster and Steven Strasser, 21, received terms of up to 20 years for first-degree manslaughter.

The three confronted Seraw, an Ethopian student, and two other blacks outside a Portland apartment in November 1988. In an ensuing fight, Mieske slammed Seraw in the head with a bat, knocking him to the ground. All three whites then kicked him in the head with their steel-toed boots. Seraw died of a skull fracture.

The Metzgers were in California at the time and were not charged with a crime, but they are accused in the civil action of recruiting the three whites to their organization and teaching them a doctrine of hate and violence towards blacks and Jews.

''We're innocent. We are not involved in any kind of liability here,'' Metzger said in an interview with United Press International.

''We had nothing to do with sending anybody any place. We've never trained anybody to kill people or even attack them in the streets. We've always said self-defense, otherwise don't bother people.''

But Dees is proceeding with a strategy that won a $7 million judgment against the United Klans of America in another wrongful-death suit arising from the 1981 Alabama lynching of a young black man.

The Klan could not come up with the money so the victim's mother was awarded the keys and deed to the Klan's headquarters and to the house and farm of the Klan leader who ordered the lynching. Some Klan members were also ordered to give up one fourth of their income for the rest of their lives.

Dees declined to be interviewed before the trial but John Egerton, a Nashville Tenn., author of several books on civil rights, said Dees is ''relentless'' in his persuit of racists.

''He will nail their butts to the door and they know it,'' Egerton said.

Metzgers trial is expected to last three weeks and he will defend himself, he says, because he cannot afford a lawyer. John Metzger has already filed for bankruptcy.

''We do have the advantage of being ourselves,'' Metzger said. ''We know what happened and what didn't happen. We talk the same kind of language a jury understands.''

In an ironic twist, the trial will be heard in the court of Multnomah County Circuit Judge Ancer Haggerty, one of the most decorated black Marines in the Vietnam War and one of two black circuit judges in Oregon.

Metzger said that doesn't bother him. ''I've seen black judges before that did a pretty good job,'' he said.

But on a telphone hot line message Metzger records for his followers, Metzger recently said: ''Our Negro Uncle Tom judge refuses to extend the trial date. So Tom and John will argue their own case against the faggots and Jews and renagade whites that wish to take my family's home away and give it to an Ethiopian national.''

Legal experts say Dees is advancing a novel theory of ''vicarious responsibility'' for the deaths. Vicarious responsibility is usually applied to collect damages from employers of people who commit wrongful acts. In Oregon, it has never been applied to the leaders of political movements.

In a friend-of-the-court brief filed late last week, the American Civil Liberties Union asked Haggerty to dismiss two of three counts against Metzger on grounds his speech was protected by the First Amendment. Those counts allege he acted in a reckless and negligent manner.

The ACLU claimed the Metzgers are free to advocate violence and lawlessness in general and can be held liable if it can be shown they were trying to incite an ''imminent'' crime.

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BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (OCT. 7) UPI - Serbia's ruling communists Sunday suspended talks with the federal government on resolving ethnic tensions in Kosovo province, angered that two members of a federal delegation met leaders of the restive ethnic Albanian majority.

''The visit of the federal government delegation to Kosovo has been completed as far as I and the government of Serbia are concerned,'' said Serbian Vice President Momcilo Trajkovic, who has been overseeing Kosovo since the government of Yugoslavia's largest republic assumed direct control of the province on July 5.

The takeover was formalized when the ruling Socialist Party of Serbia - the new name adopted by the communists in July - approved on Sept. 28 a new constitution withdrawing virtually all autonomy from the province.

In a statement issued in the Kosovo capital of Pristina, 200 miles south of Belgrade, Trajkovic said Serbia was ending discussions with the delegation only a day after they began ''because of the behavior of some members ... who met last night with Albanian leaders behind closed doors.''

He was referring to Yugoslav Deputy Prime Minister Zivko Pregl and federal Minister for Administration Vlado Kambovski, whose delegation was among several formed by the federal government last week to seek resolutions to ethnic crises that threaten to break apart the Balkan nation of 23 million people.

There was no immediate reaction from the federal government to Trajkovic's announcement on the talks, which had been scheduled to last two days.

Pregl and Kambovski defied protests by Serbia and held talks with ethnic Albanian leaders Hisen Kajdomcaj, the former provincial president, and Husamedin Azemi, the head of the Kosovo Chamber of Commerce.

Both men support a drive by ethnic Albanians for self-rule for the province, for centuries the source of bitter relations between ethnic Albanians and Serbs, who cherish Kosovo as the birthplace of their Christian Orthodox religion and culture.

There are 8.5 million Serbs in Yugoslavia, but only 200,000 Serbs still live in the province, home to 1.7 million ethnic Albanians. Serbs charge that ethnic Albanian demands for self-rule is the first step of a plan to eventually secede from Yugoslavia and merge Kosovo with the neighboring Stalanist bastion of Albania.

Both ethnic groups claim persecution by the other and have clashed periodically. More than 30 ethnic Albanians have died in confrontations with Serbian police this year.

Anti-Albanian sentiments have been stoked by Serbia's communists to enhance their appeal to Serbian nationalist voters in Dec. 9 assembly polls, the first multi-party elections to be set for the republic since the end of World War II in 1945.

Serbia suspended the provincial government and assumed direct control of Kosovo after ethnic Albanian lawmakers declared it Yugoslavia's seventh republic. Human rights groups have alleged widespread abuses by Serbian police in a crackdown on dissent.

Trajkovic accused Pregl, a key political strategist for Prime Minister Ante Markovic, of seeking ethnic Albanian support for Markovic's recently launched political party, which is dedicated to fighting nationalism, preserving the multi-ethnic Yugoslav federation and implementing Western-style democratic reforms.

''Pregl has not come to Kosovo to solve the problems of the province, but to collect votes for the Coalition of Reformist Forces of Ante Markovic,'' Trajkovic said.

Markovic is expected to call multi-party elections for the national Parliament before the end of the year and experts believe Serbia's communists, as well as autonomy-seeking regimes in Croatia and Slovenia, have been trying to impede his policies to undermine his popularity.

Trajkovic also accused Pregl of ''behaving exactly like'' U.S. Sen. Robert Dole, R-Kan., and other members of a U.S. congressional delegation, who Serbian officials accused of siding with ethnic Albanians during a visit to Kosovo in August.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - U-S aid for Guatemala's judicial system will be suspended because of the courts' failure to punish human rights abuses. That announcement comes from a report by the Minnesota Lawyers International Human Rights Committee. The report says interviews with Guatemalan officials and activists show authorities have NO intention of solving crimes that involve federal workers or extremists they favor.

South Korea is reportedly ready to fire its defense commanders because of revelations they ran surveillance on 13-hundred prominent civilians. All major daily newspaper published in Seoul say the defense minister and the head of the Defense Security Command will be sacked. Political parties are furious about the spying program... which an Army deserter exposed Thursday with documents to back up his story.

Faced with dismal statistics about the performance of black boys in high school... Milwaukee plans to establish schools taught by black men for black males. The school board last month passed a plan to start the program next September. The schools will run year-round and on Saturdays. Supporters say black boys need role models and special attention to resist gangs... while critics say ''separate but equal'' doesN'T work.

U-S News and World Report ranks the best American regional colleges and universities in its upcoming issue. Villanova, Wake Forest, Illinois Wesleyan and Trinity University in Texas are rated first for their regions. The schools are ranked according to statistical data combined with a survey of academic reputations. The list of the nation's top liberal arts universities includes Michigan and Carnegie Mellon.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 7) UPI - The female sports writer who says she was sexually harassed by several New England Patriots said Sunday she has received death threats.

Lisa Olson of the Boston Herald said in an interview with NBC television's ''NFL Live,'' ''I'm getting death threats ... (there is a) very significant danger.''

The controversy stems from a Sept. 17 incident in the team locker room, when Olson says tight end Zeke Mowatt and several other Patriots approached her while naked in a planned attempt to embarrass her by making lewd suggestions.

A target of fan abuse at the Patriots' home game last week, Olson has been under public scrutiny for more than three weeks. She took the past week off from covering the team.

Mowatt, signed in the offseason as a free agent from the New York Giants, hasn't played a down yet with New England due a severed tendon in a finger. Because of the controversy, Mowatt says he does not ever expect to play with the Patriots, NBC reported.

Mowatt's attorneys are reportedly considering the possibility of legal action against the Patriots or owner Victor Kiam. Mowatt already has been fined $2,000 by the Patriots for verbally abusing Olson. The NFL is conducting its own investigation into the incident, the results of which are expected this month.

Mowatt says he took a polygraph test which exonerates him from Olson's charges. Olson said she offered two weeks ago to NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue also to take a lie detector test.

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#90280u0415 10/07/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 7) UPI - The federal government still has NO authority to spend a dime on anything but essential services. The House yesterday upheld a presidential veto of a temporary spending bill. Democratic Representative Richard Durbin accused President Bush of treating federal workers just as Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''treats his so-called guests in Iraq.'' House negotiators are trying to craft a new deficit reduction plan.

Louisiana voters turned out in big numbers and rejected former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke in his bid for the U-S Senate. Final UNofficial results show incumbent Democrat Bennett Johnston won by 10 percentage points. But Johnston acknowledged a heavy vote against him... and attributed it to frustration over tough economic times. Republican Party officials feared a runoff campaign would lead Democrats to label the party as racist.

The crew of the shuttle Discovery awoke this morning to the strains of ''Rise and Shine Discovery...'' a ditty penned and sung by employees at Boeing Corporation in Seattle. The crew accomplished its main goal yesterday by deploying the Ulysses probe of the sun. The probe is already 300-thousand miles away. Experiments today include work with a personal computer to determine its suitability for use on NASA's planned space station.

A Lebanese newspaper reports ''trustworthy sources'' say British hostage Terry Waite may be freed in the next few days. The newspaper states that a high-ranking Iranian delegate has arrived in Beirut to supervise the release of the Anglican church envoy. The newspaper says the British ambassador to Lebanon met the Iranian recently. The release agreement calls for author Salman Rushdie to apologize for writings Iran considers blasphemous.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - The Salvadoran government is threatening state workers with jail terms of up to one year if they go through with their threat to strike. In a full-page ad in major newspapers yesterday... the government warned workers NOT to let themselves be used by union agitators pursuing political objectives. The ads cited a constitutional article that prohibits public employees from striking.

General Electric Aerospace has won a contract to supply a high-tech shipboard defense system to Japan. The contractor from Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, announced Friday it will build an Aegis weapons system for the Japanese navy. A U-S ship used the system in 1988 to shoot down an Iranian passenger plane in the Persian Gulf. The Pentagon says the device will have safeguards to prevent Japanese duplication.

Some politicians in Hungary complain that new freedom is leading Budapest to be flooded with the seamy side of Western society... pornography. Magazine covers showing couples engaged in sex are openly displayed in newstands... sometimes side by side with comic books. Prostitution and strip shows are proliferating. Critics say there are almost NO regulations because lawmakers are afraid of NOT being liberal enough.

Rookie astronaut Bruce Melnick aboard the shuttle Discovery said he got all the college football scores but the most important one.... the Coast Guard Academy homecoming game. Melnick takes pride in being the first Coast Guard astronaut. NASA workers reported that Melnick's alma mater lost to Wesleyan, 14 to 13. Melnick said that's why NASA didN'T tell him in the first place.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 7) UPI - About 500 people demanded a volunteer army and alternative military service Sunday at a Constitution Day protest outside the Soviet Defense Ministry.

The Radical Party, one of dozens of political organizations that have sprouted under President Mikhail Gorbachev's glasnost reforms, sponsored the rally at Moscow's famed Arbat Square on a cold and damp autumn day.

''Only the professionalization and depoliticization of the army and the implementation of alternative service can rescue the army from the depths of complete demoralization,'' said Kiril Klucherovsky, a representative of the Russian Popular Front.

A row of women stood in front of the crowd, holding up posters and photographs of their dead sons, husbands and brothers who were among the 20,000 conscripts they said have died since 1986 in non-combat military service.

Demonstrators hoisted colorful flags against a grey sky, including the blue-yellow-and-white Russian imperial banner, the white-blue-and- red nationalist Russian flag, the blue-and-yellow Ukrainian flag and a banmers from a dozen different political parties and clubs.

The protesters gathered about 150 feet from the massive white-granite Defense Ministry, festooned in honor of Constitution Day with 30 red Soviet flags fluttering in groups of three and cordoned off by a ring of police.

Roars of approval and chants of ''shame, shame'' went up from the crowd when Stanislav Filimonov, a member of the Moscow City Council, called for Defense Minister Dmmitri Yazov's resignation and his replacement by a civilian military leader.

''Yazov - your army is not our army,'' read one of dozens of signs held aloft

by the ralliers. Other placards said, ''We don't want to be occupiers'' and ''Better active today than radioactive tomorrow.''

Fyodor Abramov, 16, held a sign saying, ''We don't want to serve - we want to live.''

Abramov said he hopes that a law allowing alternative service will be in place by the time he reaches draft age in 1992.

''My conscience would never allow me to shoot at another person with a gun,'' he said. ''If I had to go, for instance, to Armenia (to control ethnic unrest) I would simply desert.''

The Soviet armed forces are by far the world's largest with more than 5 million men in uniform. A number of young military officers have joined the call for a streamlined volunteer army with provisions for alternative service, but their demands have been resisted by Yazov and other high commanders.

The current army is plagued by frequent incidents of hazing and other acts of violence, which speakers at the rally Sunday said have caused 20,000 largely uninvestigated deaths in the past four years.

Ina Blinova, 50, held up a photograph of her son, Alexander, whom she said was hanged on June 4 by other soldiers. Ludmila Bezrukova, 28, said her brother, Igor Trifonov, died July 10 in mysterious circumstances that she said are being probed only halfheartedly.

The demonstration was scheduled to coincide with Constitution Day, which celebrates the Oct. 7, 1977, adoption of the present Soviet Constitution under the late Leonid Brezhnev. The country has had several constitutions since the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution.

The Soviet Parliament is currently drafting a new constitution, and rally speakers Sunday called on deputies to act more speedily and adopt a document scrapping the constitutional article that guarantees the Communist Party monopoly rule.

Krasnaya Zvezda, the army's official newspaper, said in a commentary: ''If whole generations of people constantly see that words are at variance with deeds, it is futile to expect that they will become law- abiding citizens.''

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(OCT. 7) UPI - President Bush's veto of the temporary spending plan survived an override vote yesterday in the House. But NOT all Republicans sided with President Bush yesterday. Representative Silvio Conte of Massachusetts said the American public and federal workers did NOT cause the budget ''mess'' and

''should NOT have to take the heat.'' But federal services remain trimmed to the bare bones as House negotiators try to draw up a new spending plan.

Final though UNofficial voting results from Louisiana show a former Klansman will NOT take a seat in the U-S Senate. Former K-K-K leader David Duke lost yesterday by 10 percentage points to incumbent Democrat Bennett Johnston. Johnston said the vote wasN'T even close. But he extended a hand to those who voted for Duke... saying he understands their frustration with tough economic times.

The Soviet news agency Tass says Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has assured a Soviet envoy that a group of Soviet citizens may leave Iraq for home in the near future. But there are five- thousand Soviets in Iraq... including military advisers who presumably know a good deal about Iraqi war capabilities. The Soviet envoy emphasized a diplomatic solution in the region... but made NO breakthrough.

A Lebanese newspaper says a deal is in the works to free Anglican church envoy Terry Waite from captors in Lebanon. The newspaper reported today that a high-ranking Iranian official is in Beirut to supervise Waite's release in the next few days. The British ambassador to Lebanon met last month with the spiritual leader of the pro-Iranian Hezbollah ... but both denied that they discussed the hostages.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - A veteran astronaut fears the public views the space program as entertainment rather than work. Astronaut Kathryn Sullivan says many youngsters think flying in space is impressive... but lose interest when the subject turns to the math and science they need to know to get into orbit. Sullivan urged parents at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth to encourage their children to get into space-related fields.

Residents of Liberia say the civil war between rebels and government soldiers has turned into fighting between the rebels and an international military force. Government troops have NOT fired a shot since the entrance of the so-called peace-keeping force from West African states... who yesterday shelled rebel positions. Food is so scarce in the capital, Monrovia, that only leaves and dog meat are on display for sale.

Despite last December's removal of Manuel Noriega as dictator of Panama... cocaine smugglers show NO sign of leaving the country. Police and customs agents say they lack the equipment and training needed to stop drug traffickers. Most officials feel the cocaine flow is at least as great as before. American officials are urging Panama to sign a treaty to have the U-S and Panamanian coast guards conduct joint patrols.

The man who played Spanky in the ''Our Gang'' comedies says the Buckwheat who appeared on A-B-C's ''20-20'' is an imposter. The ''20-20'' program Friday night featured a man billed as the actor who played Buckwheat in the ''Our Gang'' movies of the 1930s and 40s. But the man who played Buckwheat died in 1980. ''Spanky'' actor George McFarland says he warned ''20-20.'' A spokeswoman says the show's crew is looking into the matter.

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ERFURT, Germany (OCT. 7) UPI - The right-wing National Democratic Party said Sunday in a declaration that German unification was the first step toward re-establishing Germany in its 1937 borders.

About 300 delegates of the extreme rightist National Democratic Party (NPD) approved the declaration at a party congress, which met great resistance in the former East German town of Erfurt.

The NPD, the largest fascist party in Germany with about 7,500 members, said it views the unification of East and West Germany on Oct. 3 only as a move toward creating ''Germany in its internationally rightful borders.''

Party Chairman Martin Mussgnug said that means Germany in the borders of 1937.

In 1937, Germany, then ruled by Adolf Hitler, included the eastern territories of Silesia and Pommerania which became part of Poland after World War II.

In a recent agreement with the four victors of the war - France, Britain, the Soviet Union and the United States - East and West Germany declared that the unified Germany will accept the current German-Polish border as final.

The meeting of NPD delegates in Erfurt was sharply protested by local politicians and 250 people held a demonstration against the right-wing splinter party.

About 700 policemen, equipped with whipping sticks and water canons, cordoned off the building where the meeting was held in preparation of possible clashes between the demonstrators and party members.

Earlier, a scuffle erupted at the meeting, when a man, who had pushed his way to the microphone, screamed at the right-wingers, ''I am an Erfurt citizen. My parents came from Silesia. I am ashamed of what has gathered here.''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 7) UPI - With the government virtually shut down, congressional budget negotiators seeking a new deficit-reduction plan to break

the impasse met again Sunday amid predictions of a deal later in the day or on Monday.

And prior to a rare Sunday session of Congress, an irritated House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., sharply criticized President Bush for his ''gratuitous'' decision to veto a stop-gap spending bill Congress passed Friday. The House narrowly sustained that veto on Saturday.

Congress convened amid a near total government shutdown. In Washington, the popular Smithsonian museums and the Washington Monument were closed, leaving the Capitol as one of the few open buildings.

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On the CBS program ''Face the Nation,'' budget director Richard Darman, who fought such a deal when the earlier budget plan was negotiated, did not rule it out but said he did not expect to see such a deal struck in the budget plan which has not force of law and only tells committees what they must do to cut the deficit.

''I would be very surprised to see that as far as any agreement between now and Tuesday morning,'' Darman said.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - House negotiators say they may have a new budget plan ready for a vote later today. All but essential government services remain shutdown, following a veto by President Bush of a stop-gap spending bill to temporarily fund federal operations for a week. The House voted to sustain the president's veto yesterday and federal museums and parks began closing down. Tourists found the doors closed at the Statue of Liberty, the Washington Monument and Independence Hall today. .

President Bush is blaming Congress for the budget impasse, saying there will be NO more ''business as usual'' until the crisis is passed. The new budget plan under consideration reportedly would have a significantly smaller cut in Medicare than the bill defeated by the House... as well as a different mix of taxes.

Veteran Louisiana Senator J-Bennett Johnson has won re-election to a fourth term, defeating Republican and former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke. Unofficial returns show Johnson ahead with 54 percent of the vote to Duke's 44 percent. Duke's showing at the polls was much closer than the 60 to 65 percent margin of victory Johnson had predicted. And Duke says he will challenge absentee ballots cast for Ben Bagert, the Republican nominee who withdrew two days before the election.

Philippine rebel leader Gregorio Honasan is promising a new guerrilla campaign to ''steadily wear down'' the government of President Corazon Aquino. The statement from the former Philippine army colonel comes hours after a bomb exploded outside the Finance Department in Manila. It was the second blast in the capital since government forces crushed a 48-hour mutiny by troops on the southern island of Mindanao.

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PARIS (OCT. 7) UPI - Beatrice Saubin returned home to France Sunday after 10 years in a Malaysian prison on charges of drug trafficking that she always denied.

Dressed in a green suit, wearing sun glasses and carrying a bouquet of flowers Saubin, 31, arrived at Charles de Gaulle Airport outside Paris after a flight from Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Her return ended a 10-year ordeal that began with her arrest Jan. 27, 1980, at Bayan Lepas International Airport in northern Malaysia when authorities discovered 2.2 pounds of heroin in her suitcase.

Saubin always denied she knew about the heroin, insisting it was placed in the suitcase by a Chinese friend. Didier Decoin, a French writer who in 1977 won the Prix Goncourt, France's most prestigious literary prize, wrote a book in 1984 on the case in which he concluded that Saubin was the victim of a judicial error.

The young woman, a former Paris secretary who had spent several months travelling through Asia, was condemned to death by a Malaysian court shortly after her arrest. But two months later Malaysia's highest tribunal reduced the sentence to life imprisonment following a public outcry in France.

Saubin left Kajang Prison in northern Malaysia Friday evening, warning about the dangers of drug abuse and wearing the traditional black robes used by practicing Muslims in a vain effort to avoid being recognized.

Authorities said the young woman was released because of her good conduct in prison.

During her detention Saubin learned Malaysian and worked closely with other inmates. She spent the past three years working in the prison hospital, where she says she learned the devastation drugs can cause.

Seventy persons, including 36 foreigners, have been hanged in Malaysia for drug trafficking since 1975.

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ANZIO, Italy (OCT. 7) UPI - Masked bandits immobilized six guards of an armored truck Sunday and escaped with up to $1.7 million in weekend takings from a chain of department stores, police said.

Investigators said five or six men with accents suggesting they were from Rome and Naples staged the daring heist by first disarming two night watchmen at the Standa department store at this seaside town 30 miles south of Rome.

According to police, the criminals also captured a watchmen at a nearby store and locked all three in a closet before dawn, then waited two hours for the arrival of an armored truck with cash from 15 Standa stores in the region.

Investigators said the robbers surprised three more guards aboard the truck, locked them up and fled with the money in 15 large plastic garbage bags.

Police later found one of the cars used by the hijackers abandoned in the center of Anzio. Police set up roadblocks but failed to find a trace of the men.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 7) UPI - With the government virtually shut down, congressional negotiators said Sunday they had agreed to the general outlines of a new bipartisan budget plan to replace the $500 billion five-year package rejected by the House last week.

Negotiators presented the proposal, believed to be far less specific than the original plan, to separate Democratic and Republican caucuses Sunday afternoon. Depending on whether rank-and-file members were inclined to accept the proposal, the new package could still come to the House floor for a vote later in the day, party leaders said.

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CAIRO, Egypt (OCT. 7) UPI - Like mad dogs in a noonday sun, more than 1,000 car enthusiasts gathered at the great Pyramids of Giza Sunday afternoon for

the start of the Pharaohs Rally, a rollicking 12-day road race that loops through desert, ancient cities and along the Nile.

In the shadow of the Sphinx - what little there was under a searing sun - the racers were given the green flag and a hefty instruction book detailing the rules of the road - what little road there is along the route.

''We try to have a good safe race that at the same time is exciting,'' said organizer Rami Siag, whose Pyramids Hotel was the base for the racers and their friends.

Siag said more than 1,000 assorted vehicles had registered for the event, including 160 racing cars, 130 motorcycles, 13 sidecars and 120 trucks, representing more than 30 countries.

The race is conducted in stages - the first day's leg was from Cairo to the port city of Alexandria, about 140 miles to the north - with the racers racking up points each of the 12 days based on performance.

They will be followed by a swarm of support cars, helicopters and light aircraft to ensure they follow the rules, stay on the course and don't get into trouble.

Less than a third of the 3,000-mile course is along paved road.

For the first time in the nine years the race has been held, the pack is splitting, with half traveling in the opposite direction of the other half.

Siag said the change was necessary to prevent Egypt's roads and facilities from being overtaxed by the increasingly popular event. In the evenings, racers stay at hotels or tent campsites provided by organizers.

It will end Oct. 17 at the third Pyramid of Giza, built 4,500 years ago.

Spokesmen for the Ministry of Tourism, co-sponsor of the race, said they had thought about canceling the event because of the Persian Gulf crisis, but later figured it would be good publicity for Egypt.

Hotel bookings have been down since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and officials hope the rally will lure tourists back to the country.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 7) UPI - Readers of Conde Nast Traveler magazine voted San Franciso their favorite city to visit in the United States and Paris their top choice in the world, according to a survey released Sunday.

Paris replaced Florence, Italy, last year's international winner, and was followed by Rome, San Francisco, Florence, Vienna, Austria, Lucerne, Switzerland, London, Seattle, San Diego and Venice, Italy.

San Francisco was followed on the domestic list by Seattle, San Diego, Boston, New Orleans, Washington, D.C.; New York, Oahu, Hawaii, Chicago and Orlando, Fla.

The 1990 Readers' Choice poll, to be published in the magazine's November issue, was conducted by Mark Clements Research Inc.

Awards for top billings were to be presented Sunday at the American Society of Travel Agents World Congress in Hamburg, Germany.

In other categories, Singapore Airlines won for the overall best airline, Alaska Airlines took the award for best U.S. air carrier, followed by Midway Airlines and American Airlines.

While Singapore received top marks for an international carrier, Swissair, which came in second overall, finished first for punctuality.

Other award winners were: best U.S. mainland resort, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; best tropical resort, Halekulani on Hawaii's Oahu; best hotel in world, The Oriental in Bangkok, Thailand, and best hotel in the United States, The Crescent Court, in Dallas, Texas.

The best cruise line selected was Holland America Line, and the best spa, the Canyon Ranch of Tucson, Ariz.

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Congress is expected to meet in a rare Sunday session today and it's possible lawmakers will consider another stop-gap spending bill to provide funds and government borrowing authority through midnight Friday. President Bush has said he'll sign such a bill as long as it doesN'T waive automatic spending cuts required after the failure to cut the deficit by October 1st.

A Lebanese newspaper reports a deal has been concluded to free Anglican Church Envoy Terry Waite from captivity in Lebanon in the next few days. The paper quotes ''trustworthy sources'' as saying a high-ranking Iranian delegate has arrived in Beirut to supervise Waite's release after two months of secret talks between Iran and Britain.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - Former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke says he woN'T let ''a political deal'' determine the outcome of Louisiana's open primary. Duke, a Republican rejected by his own party because of his racist history, was defeated in yesterday's Senate race by three-term incumbent Democrat J-Bennett Johnston. But Duke says he'll file suit to challenge the disallowance of absentee ballots cast for the G-O-P nominee who withdrew two days before the election.

It's a full workday for the Discovery astronauts, orbiting smoothly through space now that major goal of their mission has been successfully completed. The five-member crew yesterday deployed the Ulysses probe on an five-year voyage over the poles of the sun. Today, they've turned their attention to on-board experiments and Earth photography.

Renegade Philippine army Colonel Gregorio Honasan is vowing to continue his fight to oust President Corazon Aquino's government. Honasan today announced a new campaign to ''steadily wear down'' Aquino... despite the government's crushing of a short-lived rebellion in the southern Philippines yesterday.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 7) UPI - Thousands of office workers were bused to fields around Moscow Sunday to harvest potatoes in an effort to ease the great spud shortage.

''You see the way we are spinning our wheels,'' said Volodya, 35, a driver for a Moscow business as he made his way with shovel and green pail through the mud in a field within earshot of the capital's Sheremetyevo international airport.

Moscow Mayor Gavriil Popov ordered the mobilization of urban workers to the countryside when it became evident last month that state farm workers would

not or could not harvest the entire crop of potatoes as winter bore down.

With shelves bare of potatoes and the fields laden with spuds on the verge of rotting, the Soviet press has had a field day in hatching anti- perestroika theories in a land where sabotage is often a ready explanation for deficits.

''It is not the weather, it is not a lack of tractors, it is the system (that is to blame),'' said Andrei, 32, a building engineer, standing beside his burlap bag of potatoes that he washed in a muddy stream.

The ''volunteers'' are allowed to buy the potatoes they dig out of the earth at about 16 cents a pound, half the price of potatoes in a state store.

''I think this autumn has been good a lesson for us,'' Andrei said. ''This system (of state farming) does not work. Next year it will be different.''

''If a private farmer owned this land, you can be sure he would gather his potatoes. ''

Only 50 percent of the crop has been harvested, and in the still centrally planned system authorities must fill the storage bins so they can dole out the potatoes to state stores through the winter.

Unless the potatoes are harvested within the next 10 days or so, they could rot or a frost could ruin the crop.

The Gudok newspaper, organ of the railway workers, said Sunday that 400,000 tons of potatoes will be imported from Germany, and 500,000 tons from Poland in October alone, more than the 705,000 tons purchased abroad in all of 1989. A total of 300,000 tons of the imported spuds are for Moscow, Gudok said in the article headlined ''No threat of hunger.''

The office workers, wearing the blue track suits that Russians prefer on their days off, clambered aboard buses at pickup points around Moscow to be driven to various state farms just outside the city.

One city man, who had just stuck a pitchfork into the rain-soaked earth bristled at a reporter when he asked why he was forced to dig potatoes and then haul them off in a nylon bag onto the waiting bus.

''Why ask me, ask the authorities,'' he said.

''What you see here is an attempt to save a drowning man by mobilizing the very fingers of the drowning man,'' said Arkady, 35, who grew up in the countryside.

He blamed the the monthlong rain in September and the lack of tractors and equipment to mechanically gather the crop, steering clear of political

explanations.

Arkady said he would pick as many potatoes as he could and would stay in the fields until his daughter, 6, became too fidgety. In her blue rubber boots and under a kerchief, she seemed content to watch her mother and father turn the earth.

But Andrei, 32, a city driver, watching from the road in his car, did not participate in harvesting potatoes on what was a holiday, Constitution Day, and said he would not.

''The farmers say the hell with it, but I believe those who plant the crops should harvest them,'' he said.

He blamed the system of state and collective farming where the state- owned farms sell their products to the state who in turn supply them to the stores.

''Farmers must decide for themselves how much to plant and where, and the most important thing,they must sell the potatoes themselves,'' he said. ''Obviously they planted much more than they could harvest.''

''If individual farmers could sell their own products, the stores would be full of potatoes instead of in the fields.''

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 7) UPI - Retail gasoline prices increased nearly 6 cents a gallon nationally during the past two weeks, an industry analyst said Sunday.

Trilby Lundberg, director of the Lundberg Survey, said a check of gasoline prices at 13,000 retail outlets Friday showed an average weighted price, including taxes, of 144.20 cents per gallon. The average price increased by 5.84 cents per gallon, compared to a similar survey Sept. 21, she said.

''There was a slight improvement in the retailer's profit margin, which has been long awaited since the period of (price) instability began in August,'' Lundberg said. ''During most of the period, gasoline retailers have lost some of their (profit) margin. Wholesale prices have increased faster than retail.''

''Future prices depend entirely on crude oil prices,'' she said, noting the instability produced by the crisis in the Middle East. ''There will be pressure for the retailers to try to recover more of the profit they have lost. Whether they will be successful remains to be seen.''

Lundberg said the latest price increases have been fairly uniform throughout the nation, with the largest hikes at self-service pumps. She said her survey Friday turned up scattered instances of $2 per gallon gasoline for premium

unleaded fuel.

The average national price for a gallon of regular unleaded gasoline at self-service pumps was 133.56 cents; self-service premium unleaded was 149.95 cents per gallon; regular unleaded was 130.59 cents per gallon at the self-serve pumps.

At full-service pumps, the price for a gallon of regular unleaded was 155.11 cents; premium unleaded was 168.79 cents per gallon; regular leaded was 152.21 cents per gallon.

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School children in Louisiana's largest public school system may be back in the classrooms this week after an agreement to end a three-week strike by some 45-hundred teachers. The two sides reached agreement yesterday. Teachers are scheduled to vote on the proposed pact tonight. United Teachers of New Orleans President Nat LaCour says he'll recommend the teachers accept the proposal and return to school.

President Bush and Congress stand accused today of budget brinkmanship gone awry. Some of the nation's most popular parks, monuments and sights are closed in the wake of a government shutdown ordered after the House killed a deficit-reduction plan hammered out in tough negotiations between the administration and Congress. President Bush vetoed a stop-gap spending bill yesterday that would've kept the government in operation and bought more time for the budget negotiations.

More manuevering today as Arab diplomats continue efforts to find a peaceful end to the Persian Gulf crisis. A high-level Egyptian delegation arrived in Damascus for talks with Syria on coordinating efforts to force Iraq out of Kuwait. Both countries have sent troops to serve in the U-S-led multi-national force in Saudi Arabia. Although they reportedly differ on many issues, relations between Cairo and Damascus have strengthened because of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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#90280u0823 10/07/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 7) UPI - Israel today began the first phase of the nationwide distribution of gas masks to its citizens. The personal protection kits were given out in three small towns. Military officials plan to expand the distribution next week to include the larger urban areas. .

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir denies Israel is passing out the gas masks because it intends to strike at Iraq. Shamir says Israel is taking seriously threats by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to wipe out half of the Jewish state with chemical weapons if it attacks Iraq or any Arab nation.

Egypt reportedly is denying P-L-O chief Yasser Arafat permission to visit Cairo as the deeply divided Arab world maneuvers to adjust to the Gulf crisis. The denial came as Arafat met with Jordan's King Hussein in Amman to discuss the crisis that has united them after years of animosity. Both are sympathetic toward Iraq.

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The orbiting Discovery astronauts have turned their ship into a science lab. In the first experiment of its kind in space, the crew started a small fire to learn more about how flames behave in weightlessness. Results of the test ultimately will help engineers design a safer spacecraft environment. .

Back on Earth, engineers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, are carefully monitoring the nuclear-powered Ulysses probe for any problems as the craft streaks toward distant Jupiter. Willis Meeks, NASA's Ulysses project manager says- ''So far, everything looks good.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 7) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1. Michigan (22) (3-1) 745 4
2. Nebraska (16) (5-0) 717 3

3.	Virginia (10) (5-0)	706	5
4.	Miami (4) (3-1)	684	8
5.	Tennessee (1) (3-0-2)	567	7
6.	Auburn (3) (3-0-1)	556	6
7.	Notre Dame (3-1)	524	1
8.	Florida State (4-1)	463	2
9.	Brigham Young (4-1)	259	10
10.	Southern Cal (4-1)	245	11
11.	Colorado (4-1-1)	244	9
12.	Illinois (3-1)	237	12
13.	Washington (4-1)	201	14
14.	Clemson (5-1)	197	13
15.	Georgia Tech (4-0)	111	18
16.	Texas A&M (4-1)	79	15
17.	Oregon (4-1)	60	17
18.	Indiana (4-0)	28	22
19.	Wyoming (6-0)	21	24
20.	(tie) Arizona (4-1)	16	21
20.	(tie) Mississippi (4-1)	16	23
22.	Texas (2-1)	14	NR
23.	Arkansas (2-2)	12	16
24.	Iowa (3-1)	6	NR
25.	Texas Christian (4-1)	4	NR

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: Georgia, Louisville, Penn State, South Carolina, Toledo.

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(OCT. 8) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASKETBALL

Miami - Signed guard Bimbo Coles.

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#90280u0989 10/07/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 7) UPI - Crew members and passengers Sunday disarmed a man who tried to hijack a Soviet plane to Stockholm, and the aircraft landed safely at the White Sea port city of Arkhangelsk.

An unemployed 26-year-old man, identified only by his last name of Gavrilov, threatened to blow up the Aeroflot AN-24 jetliner en route to Arkhangelsk from the Ural Mountains city of Perm, where he lived, the official Tass news agency said.

''The crew decided to take the risk and with the help of passengers disarmed the hijacker,'' Tass said. ''No bomb was found on him. Authorities are investigating the incident.''

The news agency did not say what kind of weapon was in Gavrilov's possession when he was disarmed.

The incident was the most recent in a spate of hijackings or attempted acts of air piracy conducted by Soviets trying to leave their country this year.

Most of the successful hijackers have commandeered planes to Stockholm or Helsinki, and the Swedish and Finnish government have extradited some of the air pirates back to the Soviet Union.

Igor Suslov, one of a group of Soviet convicts who hijacked an Aeroflot jetliner to Pakistan in August, committed suicide Friday in his jail cell in Karachi, prison officials said.

Suslov and 10 other hijackers were facing trial before a special terrorist court in Karachi.

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package of seven to 10 items that will follow the world-1st-roundup on Sundays.
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(OCT. 8) UPI - Home has turned sour for the Minnesota Vikings, while the road is as sweet as ever for the San Francisco 49ers.

Minnesota's 34-27 loss to Detroit was their second straight at the Metrodome after 14 consecutive victories, including a 1988 playoff game. The Lions snapped a seven-game losing streak against the Vikings, beating them for the first time since 1986 and dropping them to their worst start in 23 years.

The 49ers rallied to a 24-21 victory in Houston, setting an NFL record with their 12th straight road victory. The scenario was familiar for the defending champions, a Joe Montana 46-yard touchdown pass to John Taylor with 6:31 left for the winning points.

The games in Minnesota and Houston were typical of a Sunday in which eight of 10 day games were decided in the fourth quarter or overtime.

Bob Gagliano, starting in place of injured Rodney Peete, threw three touchdown passes and nearly 300 yards to rally the Lions to 24 straight second-half

points.

Minnesota, pre-season favorite to repeat as NFC Central champion, fell to 1-4 and dropped three games behind Chicago in the division race.

''I know what you guys want,'' Vikings Coach Jerry Burns said. ''You want us to throw in the towel. You're nuts. Anything can happen in this game. Don't write this club off yet. There's not much to be optimistic about right now. But these guys aren't quitters. They'll bust their butts. I don't have any magic potion to lay on them.''

Gagliano completed 16 of 31 for 299 yards and touchdown passes to Barry Sanders, Terry Greer and Richard Johnson.

Sanders caught a 22-yard Gagliano pass for a first half TD and scored on a 1-yard run late in the fourth period to put Detroit ahead 34-20. He rushed for 82 yards on 15 carries.

''Bob did a super job for us,'' Lions Coach Wayne Fontes said. ''He made the big plays when he had to make them.''

So did Montana in bringing San Francisco back to dump the Oilers. He threw two TD strikes to Taylor and one to Jerry Rice, while completing 20 of 28 for 318 yards.

Perhpas the biggest play was an Oilers' timeout, allowing Montana back in the game to throw for the winning score.

San Francisco, trailing 21-17, took over on its 36 after a Houston punt. At the Houston 46, Montana had his wind knocked out by Ezra Johnson and had to leave.

Steve Young relieved and fumbled the snap. Houston's Ray Childress recovered, but the Oilers had called timeout before the play. The timeout wiped out the turnover, and allowed Montana to return without missing a down.

On the next play, Montana threw to Taylor, who shook Cris Dishman for a 46-yard touchdown with 6:31 remaining. Dishman was the defender on all three San Francisco touchdowns.

Under NFL rules, Montana could not re-enter the game until the 49ers ran one play or the Oilers called timeout.

''With Young coming in like that, we wanted to make sure who else was in the game and in our substitution package,'' Houston Coach Jack Pardee explained. ''With their late substitution and the clock running, we didn't want to get caught with too many guys on the field.

''We were expecting him (Young) to bootleg it. It was such a key play for us, we had to make sure to get them stopped.''

Warren Moon completed 18 of 33 for 191 yards and three touchdown for the Oilers, who were impressive early. They converted all four third downs in the first quarter, then failed on all eight second-half conversions and fell to 2-3.

In other games decided in the final quarter or overtime, Cincinnati trimmed the LA Rams 34-31 in OT, Indianapolis stunned Kansas City 23-10, Miami edged the New York Jets 20-16, Atlanta nicked New Orleans 28-27, Seattle belted New England 33-20, and Dallas shaded Tampa Bay 14-10.

-- AROUND THE NFL --

Bengals 34, Rams 31

At Anaheim, Calif., Boomer Esiason threw for a club-record 471 yards and engineered the drive that set up a 44-yard field goal by Jim Breech at 11:56 of overtime to lift Cincinnati. Esiason completed 30 of 44 passes for three TDs and no interceptions. Jim Everett hit 25 of 46 for 372 yards, two touchdowns and no interceptions to rally the Rams from a 21-0 deficit.

Colts 23, Chiefs 19

At Indianapolis, Albert Bentley scored two touchdowns, both set up by turnovers, and the Colts rallied for 13 fourth-quarter points. The Colts' Dean Biasucci missed a 42-yard field goal with 2:58 remaining, but Mike Prior intercepted Kansas City quarterback Steve DeBerg five plays later to set up an 18-yard Biasucci field goal with 23 seconds remaining.

Miami 20, NY Jets 16

At Miami, Dan Marino fired two TD passes to Mark Duper, including a 13-yarder with 1:03 left, to lift the Dolphins, 4-1, from a 13-0 halftime deficit. Marino and Duper connected on a 69-yard TD pass for a 13-13 tie in the third quarter.

Falcons 28, Saints 27

At Atlanta, Chris Miller threw for three TDs and ran for another to rally the Falcons. The Falcons, 2-2, drove 80 yards in 82 seconds to Miller's game-winning 3-yard TD pass to Andre Rison with 1:33 left. Miller completed 23 of 44 passes for 366 yards and an interception. Rison caught 10 passes for 154 yards and two touchdowns.

Seahawks 33, Patriots 20

At Foxboro, Mass., Jeff Chadwick caught a 45-yard scoring pass from Dave Krieg with 2:37 remaining for the go-ahead points and Derrick Fenner added his second TD run for insurance. Fenner's TD was his eighth of the year.

Cowboys 14, Buccaneers 10

At Irving, Texas, rookie Emmitt Smith gained 121 yards and scored on a 14-yard run early in the fourth quarter to lift Dallas. Smith put the Cowboys in front with 14:08 left. Dallas also scored on a 12-yard throw from Troy Aikman to tight end Jay Novacek in the first period. Gary Anderson caught a 58-yard TD pass from Vinny Testaverde, giving him a TD in all five Tampa Bay games this year.

Also, Pittsburgh slammed San Diego 36-14 and Chicago clipped Green Bay 27-13.

The Los Angeles Raiders played at Buffalo Sunday night. Cleveland plays at Denver Monday night.

Steelers 36, Chargers 14

At Pittsburgh, rookie Eric Green caught two touchdown passes from Bubby Brister for the first two offensive TDs scored by the Steelers this season. Pittsburgh had gone through 17 quarters without registering an offensive TD until Green's 8-yard catch for his first pro reception 58 seconds into the second quarter.

Bears 27, Packers 13

At Chicago, Neal Anderson rushed for 141 yards and a TD and Kevin Butler connected on field goals of 50 and 51 yards to lift the Bears. Green Bay scored on Don Majkowski's 76-yard fourth-quarter pass to Sterling Sharpe and two Chris Jacke field goals.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - The government remains virtually shut down today, but congressional negotiators working on a budget plan have agreed to the general outlines of a new pact. The proposal... which is believed to be far less specific than a plan rejected on Friday... was presented to separate Democratic and Republican caucuses this afternoon. The proposal could come to a vote on the House floor later today.

Israel today began the first phase of a nation-wide program to protect its citizens from a possible Iraqi chemical attack. Israeli citizens in three towns began receiving gas masks as part of their protective kits. Iraq has threatened to wipe out half of Israel with chemical weapons.

Wide differences still separate European Community foreign ministers meeting in Venice to develop a common foreign policy for the group. The ministers did make small steps toward their goal. There was general agreement on the need for the 12-nation E-C to broaden its foreign policy role. But there was only isolated support for proposals to move quickly toward a single E-C foreign policy.

The Discovery astronauts today kindled a small fire aboard the shuttle... NOT to keep warm... but as part of an experiment to learn how flames behave in weight-lessness. The test is aimed at helping engineers develop a safer spacecraft. The crew also worked on a project to gather data for a 1992 satellite rescue mission.

A Justice Department report today shows the nation's prison population has grown in the past decade to a record three-quarters of a Million men and women. The number of inmates increased by 80-thousand people for the year ending June 30th, 1990... and it more than doubled during the 1980's. The statistics also show that the number of prisoners per capita has reached its highest level ever... 289 prisoners for every 100-thousand residents in the United States.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - House Democrats embraced a new budget plan today that would cut Medicare by 42-BILLION dollars during five years. That's a drop from the 60-BILLION dollar cut included in a plan defeated by the House on Friday. The new package also would leave most key tax decisions to a House Committee. The new budget plan apparently might come to the House floor tonight.

Saudi Arabia says the southwest portion of the kingdom will be built into a ''military city.'' That's the region where a multi-national military force has been deployed to counter possible Iraqi aggression. In another indication of shifting alliances in the Arab world... Egypt today reportedly denied Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat permission to visit Cairo.

Louisiana Senator J. Bennett Johnston is declaring ''a big win,'' but his opponent is also claiming a victory. Johnston... the Democratic incumbent... scored a 10-percentage-point victory over former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke... a Republican running without the party's backing. But Duke says his stronger-than-expected showing strengthened his political credibility.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - Police in Italy found NO trace of a half-dozen masked bandits who made off with one-point-seven-Million dollars today in a daring heist in

the seaside town of Anzio... 30 miles south of Rome. Police say the robbers locked three department store watchmen in a closet... and then waited two hours for the arrival of an armored truck carrying cash from 15 other stores in the Standa chain. The robbers surprised the three guards on the truck and fled with the money.

Thousands of Soviet office workers are being sent to the fields as part of an effort to ease the great potato shortage. Authorities are busing the workers to fields around Moscow to harvest potatoes. Moscow's mayor ordered the mobilization last month after it became evident that state farm workers would NOT or could NOT harvest the entire crop of potatoes as winter approached.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - House members could act on a new five-year budget plan... a rough draft of which was prepared today by negotiators in Washington. The plan calls for smaller cuts in Medicare and more latitude for a House tax committee on making tax decisions.

The United Auto Workers union was able to retain the framework of last month's pact with General Motors in a tentative agreement reached today with Ford Motor Company. Ratification of the three-year deal is expected to be completed by October 21st.

P-L-O chairman Yasser Arafat met in Amman today with King Hussein of Jordan to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. Arafat reportedly sent a message of protest to Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, who reportedly refused to let him visit Cairo.

The Portland, Oregon, civil trial of a California white supremacy leader is already firing up emotions. 100 police officers today guarded more than one-thousand people who marched on the eve of the trial to denounce racism.

The attempted hijack of a Soviet airliner was foiled today when crew members and passengers disarmed a man who tried to force the plane to fly to Stockholm. The hijacker had threatened to blow up the aircraft, but NO bomb was found.

A Soviet newspaper today UNveiled a shocking portrayal of the economic decay affecting the communist superpower. The newspaper says more than half of the 286-Million people in the Soviet Union live below the government's official poverty level.

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#90280u1524 10/07/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 7) UPI - There was some good news and some bad news today for the

Austrian Socialist Party. UNofficial returns from today's voting in Austria show the Socialists winning an easy victory. But their conservative coalition partner lost 17 parliamentary seats.

The shutdown of federal landmarks in the nation's capital is proving to be a boom for the tourist industry across the Potomac River in Alexandria, Virginia. Alexandria had more than double its usual number of visitors this Columbus Day weekend.

Environmentalists got a boost today when the presidents of 22 universities world-wide agreed to push for more research to save the environment. The presidents are meeting in France at a conference sponsored by Tufts University in Massachusetts.

A cargo plane carrying hazardous materials made an emergency landing today in Barnesville in southeast Ohio. Police say the pilot decided to land the plane after he smelled smoke. There were NO reports of injuries.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - House negotiators are working on a budget plan that would slash 40- BILLION dollars from the deficit in fiscal 1991... but without relying as much on money from Medicare. The plan outlined today would reduce aid to Medicare by 42-BILLION dollars during five years. A plan rejected by the House Friday called for 60-BILLION dollars in Medicare cuts.

It appears that it's two down and one to go for the United Auto Workers union. The U-A-W today reached tentative agreement with Ford Motor Company on a three-year labor contract for Ford's 99-thousand 800 hourly workers. The union says today's pact preserves the framework of a deal reached last month with General Motors. Ratification is expected by October 21st, at which time the union will focus on the number three automaker, Chrysler.

Portland, Oregon, was the scene of a march today to denounce racism. About one-thousand people... protected by 100 police officers... joined Mayor Bud Clark and other civic leaders in the march. It comes on the eve of a civil trial seeking 10-Million dollars in damages from California white supremacy leader Tom Metzger. The family of a black student killed by three so-called skinheads in 1988 allege that Metzger was responsible for the slaying. They say he filled the men with hate and violence.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - More than half the Soviet Union's 286-Million citizens live below the government's official poverty level. That's according to the official newspaper of the nation's state-run trade unions. The paper says 56

percent of all Soviets earned less than 150 rubles a month last year... which is about 260 dollars. The article says- quote- ''five years of perestroika have NOT brought any change.''

The threat to Puerto Rico and the Leeward Islands from Tropical Storm Klaus was reduced today as atmospheric winds sapped much of the system's strength. The winds also moved the system's thunderstorms away from the northeastern Caribbean. Forecasters say some of the U-S and British Virgin Islands could receive heavy rains and tropical storm-force gusts, but the heaviest activity was over the Atlantic. .

At last report, Klaus was about 70 miles north-northeast of San Juan, Puerto Rico, and was moving west at close to 10 miles-an-hour.

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(OCT. 7) UPI - TODAY'S PEOPLE:

MARILYN CONTEMPLATES CASTRO'S DEATH: If Ivana Trump can write a book, so can Marilyn Quayle. The wife of Vice President Dan Quayle and her sister, Nancy Northcott of Tullahome, Tenn., have written a novel based on a power struggle in Cuba after the deat of Fidel Castro.''It delves into the factions that would coalesce in the leadership vacuum,'' a source told New York magazine. ''It talks about what could be one of the great struggles among the powers. It's actually quite a good read.'' The magazine says the fledgling authors have show their work, titled ''The Rage of the Lamb,'' to a ''very limited'' number of publishers so far. Trump recently signed a contract to write two romance novels.

007 PLUS OTHER ROLES: Sean Connery doesn't want to be remembered just for his James Bond roles. Connery was honored Sunday night in London by the British Academy of Film and Television Arts for his 34 years in the entertainment business but gave strict orders that his non-007 roles not be overlooked. ''He makes no bones about it,'' said an organizer. ''He knows we cannot ignore his work as 007 but he would be upset if we dwelt on it for too long.''

TRUDEAU TRIVIA: Garry Trudeau treasures his privacy but opens up in an interview for Newsweek, which marks the 20th anniversary of the syndication of his ''Doonesbury'' strip by putting Trudeau on the cover. Trudeau says he is writing a ''MASH-like'' black comedy with director Alan Pakula about AIDS researchers and also reveals that he works half a day each week at a New York City center for the homeless. Trudeau says he would have loved to have done some ''Doonesbury'' strips about how NBC ousted his wife, Jane Pauley, from

the ''Today'' show but he has banned himself from using Pauley and her competitors, such as Connie Chung, as subjects. Newsweek says the interview marks the first time Trudeau has allowed anyone to watch him draw and also is the first time he has revealed the inspiration of his ''Doonesbury'' characters. Mike Doonesbury, for example, is based on one of Trudeau's Yale roommates, Charlie Pillsbury, of the Pillsbury flour family.

SPORTSWRITER THREATENED: Boston Herald sportswriter Lisa Olson says she has received death threats since complaining about being sexually harassed by members of the New England Patriots in their lockerroom last month. Olson was the target of fan abuse at last week's Patriots' home game and took the past week off from covering the team. ''I'm getting death threats,'' she said in an interviewon NBC's ''NFL Live.'' ''(There is a) very significant danger.''

FUNKY'S FRIEND: Marching bands have a true friend in cartoonist Tom Batiuk, creator of the ''Funky Winkerbean'' comic strip. Batiuk has been using the cartoon to urge television networks, especially ABC, to broadcast the halftime shows at college football games and on Saturday he mingled with members of the Ohio State University marching band at the Buckeyes' game with Illinois. ''We are just sort of holding an impromptu poll for ABC to let them know how much interest is out there,'' said Batiuk, who played trombone in his junior high school band. OSU band director Jon Woods was among those who wrote network executives for air time. ''The marching band is one of the things that separates college football from the pro game,'' he said.

GLIMPSES: Capt. Kirk didn't need Scotty to beam him up Saturday. ''Star Trek'' star William Shatner took a 10-minute ride in the cockpit of a fighter jet with the Navy's Blackbird Adversary Fighter Squadron in Key West, Fla., to promote ''Blackbirds in the Sun,'' a public television documentary about the squadron. The squadron, based at Boca Chica Navy Air Base, plays the bad guys during training flights for U.S. fighter pilots ... Bill Cosby had some words of inspiration for black students attending a weekend gala to promote the John B. Slaughter Endownment for Science and Technology at the University of Maryland. ''Take over the campus academically and stop waiting for role models to come and speak to you,'' Cosby said. ''I don't want to see anything except a black graduating class with over 75 percent getting a 3.0 (grade) average.''

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SANTA MONICA, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Retix, the leading supplier of OSI products, Monday announced a network-management center that uses SNMP (Simple

Network Management Protocol) to manage Retix internetworking products and other devices in multivendor networks.

Called the 5025 Network Management Center, the product provides users with an integrated set of monitoring and diagnostic capabilities on a powerful workstation platform.

The 5025 is the first in the Retix family of network-management products to support the industry-standard SNMP. SNMP is the most widely used open standard for network management and allows management interoperability with many vendors' products. In a heterogeneous network environment, the use of an SNMP management product minimizes equipment replacement and retraining costs.

Through an easy-to-use graphical interface on a Sun SPARCstation, the 5025 gives network administrators a comprehensive view of network operations to pinpoint errors and troubleshoot specific problems.

Automatic alerts eliminate the need to continually monitor the network, and user-configurable parameters let administrators home in on particular devices in the network to determine whether operational thresholds have been exceeded.

The 5025 provides statistics that are critical to the successful management of a corporate network, including monitoring of traffic levels, error rates, system parameters, traffic flow and link capacity. Using these statistics, network administrators can plan for network growth and change.

In addition to the network-management center, Retix also announced SNMP support for its complete family of internetworking products, including the 4880 High Performance Remote Bridge, 4820 Remote Bridge, 4660 High Performance Local Bridge, 2265M Local Bridge and the new 4942 Remote Bridge/Router.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Vitalink Communications Corp., a leading LAN internetworking company announced Monday it plans to add Digital Phase V router support, including OSI and the Digital Network Architecture (DNA) Phase V Integrated Intermediate Systems to Intermediate Systems (IS-IS) protocol, to its bridge/router product line.

The Digital IS-IS routing protocol will be used in both Digital and Vitalink products to support DECnet Phase IV, OSI and TCP/IP. Digital's IS-IS protocol

has been accepted as a Draft Proposal by the International Standards Organization (ISO DP10589).

In addition to implementing Phase V routing, Vitalink also plans to implement Digital's HDLC protocol on router serial interfaces. With these additions, Vitalink bridge/routers will interoperate with Digital Phase V routers across point-to-point data links, as well as 802.3 LANs.

An original member of the DECmcc Strategic Vendor Program, Vitalink intends to utilize DECmcc Access Modules to ensure its implementation of Phase V is manageable from a common DECmcc network management system. In July Vitalink successfully demonstrated a prototype Access Module for DECmcc at DECWORLD in Boston.

Since 1984 Vitalink and Digital have been working together under an agreement to develop products, and provide marketing and service support, for remote bridging technology. In November 1988 the relationship was strengthened when Digital became a reseller of Vitalink's TransLAN Ethernet remote bridges.

Digital Equipment Corp., headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the world's leading supplier of network computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

Founded in 1980, Vitalink Communications Corp. manufactures and markets a family of LAN interconnect processors including Ethernet and Token-Ring bridges and bridge-routers, and a comprehensive network management system. Over 13,000 systems are installed worldwide, reflecting the company's position as a leading supplier of advanced internetworking systems used to build large, multivendor computer networks.

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MILPITAS, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Octel Communications Corp. has named Douglas C. Chance as president and chief executive officer.

The announcement was made Monday by Robert Cohn, chairman and co-founder.

Chance, formerly executive vice president of Hewlett-Packard Co., joined Octel

on Oct. 6. He has been a member of Octel's board of directors since November 1988. Chance, 48, joined HP in 1966 and most recently headed the Networked Systems Sector.

''Fundamental to Octel's success has been our philosophy of hiring senior managers with experience in managing the long-term growth we would like to achieve,'' said Cohn.

''In keeping with this philosophy, I recommended to the board, early this year that we search for a top executive with the experience needed to carry us to our next milestone. Octel is fortunate to have attracted Doug and I am very pleased with the selection.

Chance was the general manager of HP's Santa Rosa Microwave Division from 1973 until 1977. Since then Chance has held senior management positions in HP's computer and systems groups. His most recent responsibilities as head of the Networked Systems Sector included management of HP's family of RISC computers, networking products, computer manufacturing, and office products.

Robert Cohn founded Octel in 1982 with Peter Olson, executive vice president. Cohn has served as president and chief executive officer since the Company was founded. In his role as chairman he will focus on strategic planning, relations with major customers, investor relations, and business development.

Octel Communications Corp. designs, manufactures and markets a full line of high-performance voice processing systems, posting sales of $127.8 million for fiscal year 1990. Octel's Aspen product line is sold in the United States, Canada and overseas to small businesses and large multisite corporations. The new Sierra multiple-application platform is a very large capacity system designed to meet the special needs of telephone companies and other voice information service providers.

Octel recently was chosen ''Entrepreneurial Company of the Year'' by the Stanford University Business School Alumni, joining other notable former recipients such as Apple Computer, Sun Microsystems, Genentech, LSI Logic, Cypress Semiconductor, and Acuson corp.

Octel shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol OCTL.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Cabletron Systems Inc. (NYSE:CS), an established and recognized leader in network management, Monday announced at Interop 90, development of an application for competitors' personal computer cards, transforming the unintelligent cards and network stations into Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) manageable devices.

The application, initially available for 3Com cards, will allow network managers to gather critical receive and transmit statistics from each user station, as well as control all information from one central network management station.

Through the incorporation of Cabletron's Remote LANVIEW or SPECTRUM network management software packages, and a local traffic SNMP Management Information Base (MIB) program written specifically for each 3Com card, managers and users will be able to identify and solve network-traffic or workstation-access problems more quickly and easily than previously possible with unintelligent cards. The enhancement makes Cabletron the first vendor to provide network-wide management and analyzer capabilities for a competing vendor's PC cards.

In January, the company introduced its own full line of intelligent Desktop Network Interface (DNI) cards, including cards for PC/AT, PC/XT, MicroChannel (PS/2); and Apple Macintosh SE, SE30 and Mac II computers.

According to Michael Welts, Cabletron's marketing manager, ''Our strategy is to tap into the existing pre-installed base of unintelligent 3Com cards, turning them into manageable devices. This approach will further strengthen our position in the PC card market, allowing us to bring comprehensive network management capabilities to all customers, regardless of which vendor's devices are installed on the network.''

With the release of the SNMP application, Cabletron provides network administrators the ability to monitor network traffic, along with additional capabilities to determine the operation of the entire subnetwork, what each PC is doing in relation to total network activity, and the status of the user's PC and its ability to gain access to the network.

Through Cabletron's Remote LANVIEW and SPECTRUM advanced management system network management software, PC cards report receive and transmit statistics to an IBM 286 or higher management workstation on the network. These statistics are also available through an on-board local management program which is operated locally at the user's PC.

Cabletron's application is available immediately and is priced at $59.00 per card.

Cabletron Systems Inc., headquartered in Rochester, N.H., develops and manufactures networking products based on its Integrated Network Architecture,

a strategy which provides standards-based products and services necessary to build and manage a global, distributed platform of interconnected local area networks. The company currently has a worldwide installed base exceeding 1.3 million nodes.

Cabletron's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CS. The company reported record revenue of $104.7 million and earnings of $22.3 million for fiscal year 1990.

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WICHITA, KS (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - High Plains Corp. (NASDAQ:HIPC) Monday reported net income of $380,720 and earnings of 14 cents per share for the fiscal 1991 first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares to net income of $288,167 and earnings per share of 12 cents for the same period last year.

Revenues totalled $4,822,720 for the quarter, down six percent from the same quarter last year due to plant retrofitting during July 1990. Net income, however, was positively affected by significantly higher profit margins per gallon of High Plains' fuel ethanol product.

Based in Wichita, High Plains Corp. is the only publicly traded company whose sole business is ethanol, and is one of the largest producers of ethanol west of the Mississippi River. Clean-burning ethanol reduces pollutants in automotive gasoline and increases octane levels for better engine performance without increasing gas pump prices.

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CAMARILLO, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Vitesse Semiconductor Corp. announced Monday the availability of the MegaSwitch VSC864, a VLSI, gallium arsenide 64 x 64 Crosspoint switch supporting data rates up to 200 Mbits/sec.

This level of performance represents a four-fold improvement in speed performance over existing silicon crosspoints. The VSC864 is intended for

high speed digital applications including data distribution for telecommunications, computer networks, and multiprocessing environments.

''GaAs once again breaks the silicon speed barrier and paves the way to meet the next generation of computer networking, array processing, and telecommunications switch requirements,'' said Tom Dugan, director of Standard Products at Vitesse.

''The VSC864 exemplifies our technology's speed/power advantage over silicon. A silicon part running at this speed at this level of complexity would literally fry. Our closest competitor for this part is stretching the limits of their technology just to reach 50 Mbits/sec. We have already seen widespread interest in this product from most of the major computer and telecommunications companies throughout the world,'' he added.

The VSC864 addresses a basic function which is needed in a wide variety of complex digital communications applications. A common applications for this product will be in the core of central switching networks on large multiprocessor computer systems.

The VSC864 can also easily be implemented as a SONET STS-3 protection switch in telecommunications systems. In addition, the VSC864 is ideal for building large networks of PCs, workstations and mainframes that are communicating via higher speed TAXIchip links.

Any of the 64 inputs of the VSC864 can be switched to any, some, or all of its 64 outputs. The VSC864 can be operated in either asynchronous flow-through mode or synchronous clocked mode through the use of its input and output data registers. In flow-through mode the data propagation delay is less than 7 ns.

Vitesse Semiconductor Corp. is the world's leading supplier of digital gallium arsenide integrated circuits. The company was founded in 1984 to develop, manufacture and market cost-effective VLSI GaAs ICs.

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VENTURA, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Bank of A. Levy announced Friday the bank's purchase of deposits of Midwest Savings Association's Fillmore and Orange County offices.

Total purchase price of the deposits, which total about $58 million, was approxiamtely $725,000 in cash. The acquisition put Bank of A. Levy's total assets at more than $680 million with $51 million in primary capital, well in excess of regulatory capital standards, the bank reports.

Bank of A. Levy, which has had a Fillmore branch for more than 20 years, bought deposits of Midwest's two California operations from the Resolution Trust Corp., a federal government agency that liquidates insolvent savings and loans.

The Midwest branch in Fillmore had been home to 3,098 accounts, mainly consumer savings accounts and certificates of deposit. The entire deposit base will be under the direction of Fillmore Bank of A. Levy Branch Manager Don Tello.

Midwest customers may call 805/524-3991 during normal business hours if they have any questions about their accounts.

Prior to the purchase, Bank of A. Levy's Fillmore operation maintained about $12 million in deposits. The Midwest acquisition increases Bank of A. Levy's Fillmore strength by more than 200 percent, bringing total deposits to about $38 million, excluding deposits transferred from Midwest's Orange County office.

The Orange County office of Midwest Savings Association maintained deposits of approximately $31 million, primarily in large, high-interest-earning accounts such as jumbo certificates of deposit. The Orange County accounts, now administered by the Fillmore office, will continue to be honored according to their terms.

Founded in 1882, with headquarters in Ventura, Calif., Bank of A. Levy reported increased earnings in its last eight consecutive quarters. The locally owned and managed bank now has 21 locations throughout Ventura County, with a new branch opening soon in the North Ranch Mall in Westlake Village, Calif.

Midwest Savings Association, based in Minneapolis, had 46 offices throughout Minnesota, Iowa and Oklahoma plus the two California branches.

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CAMPBELL, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Mountain Network Solutions Inc., an industry leader in data management solutions for personal computers, workstations and LANs, had introduced the industry's highest performance, highest capacity mini-cartridge tape subsystem -- the FileSafe 8500 -- the first tape drive to incorporate the Integrated Device Electronics (IDE) embedded AT interface.

For the first time, the FileSafe 8500, the newest product in Mountain's extensive line of 3.5-inch half-height form factor mini-cartridge tape drives, brings the benefits of IDE now being incorporated into a growing number of small footprint Winchester disk drives into the realm of secondary storage devices.

The incorporation of IDE technology in the FileSafe 8500 removes the need for a separate tape controller card -- as required by most high-performance tape drives -- and frees all available PC expansion slots for other use. The Mountain-proprietary embedded electronics communicates with the IDE motherboard electronics, controlling the operation of the tape drive in the same manner the system controls the resident IDE Winchester disk drive, while remaining fully compatible with the disk ROM BIOS.

Using high capacity DC2120 mini-cartridges, the FileSafe 8500 allows for storage of up to 304 megabytes in a 3.5-inch half-height form factor while maintaining the fastest data throughput rate of any mini-cartridge-based system -- up to 10 megabytes per minute -- when operating in data compression mode.

The IDE interface transfers data at approximately an order of magnitude faster than the SA450 floppy interface used on existing QIC-40/80 format mini-cartridge devices. End-to-end tape positioning takes less than 40 seconds, while average file access time clocks in at 20 seconds -- equal to, or better than, virtually every storage alternative now available.

Software-implemented error correction code (ECC) is incorporated in the FileSafe 8500 for unsurpassed data integrity. This results in an error rate no greater than one hard error in every 10(14) bits read -- 1 -- 100 times better than achieved by most Winchester disk drives or the equivalent of one error for every 125,000 mini-cartridges.

The company was founded in 1977 and is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Nakamichi Corp. Mountain Network Solutions has headquarters at 240 Hacienda Ave. Campbell, Calif., with manufacturing and engineering facilities in nearby Scotts Valley, and advanced software research and development facilities in San Diego.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Allied Telesis Inc. introduced

this week two high performance, MAC (Media Access Control) layer self-learning bridges for Local Area Network applications.

''This is the most significant new product introduction by Allied Telesis in its three-year history,'' said ATI President Takayoshi Oshima. ''It brings our arsenal of volume priced network building blocks close to 100, and it expands our technological capabilities into new areas.''

Both new products, CentreCOM models AT-6870 and AT-6875, support communications protocols such as TCP/IP, NetWare and DECnet. Model AT-6875 also supports Simple Network Management Protocols (SNMP), so that it can be easily integrated with existing network management schemes that are compatible with SNMP.

ATI bridges can be used to optimize LAN operations by partitioning work groups from the backbone, thus keeping local traffic from going through the main network, or to connect two heterogeneous network segments. The ATI bridges have connectors for both thick and thin Ethernet, and they comply with IEEE 802.3 specifications for 10BASE5 and 10BASE2.

The new bridges feature a dynamic look-up table algorithm to constantly improve performance through faster filtering. They also support the IEEE 802.1 Spanning Tree Protocol (STP), which is designed to avoid unwanted loopback traffic problems and bring a degree of fault tolerance to the network.

Sustained high speed filtering is maintained at 25,000 data packets per second with a sustained forwarding rate of 12,500 packets per second.

The new products are available for immediate delivery through ATI resellers. The suggested retail price for the AT-6870 is $2,495, while the AT-6875 (with SNMP support) is $2,995. A special introductory promotion, in effect until the end of this year, makes the two products available for $1,795 and $1,995, respectively.

Allied Telesis Inc. provides network building blocks based on industry standards. These include single and multiport transceivers, multimedia concentrators, repeaters, bridges and other related products. The company markets products worldwide through dealers and distributors.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Tescorp Inc. (NASDAQ:TESC) reported Monday that an additional 104,200 shares of its Series 1990 convertible preferred stock will be distributed to former holders of American Century Corp.

subordinated debentures.

Pursuant to American Century's confirmed plan of reorganization, record holders of debentures on July 11, 1990, previously received a distribution of 69.8 shares of Tescorp convertible preferred stock for each $1,000 debenture, in addition to Tescorp common stock and warrants. Record holders of American Century debentures on July 11, 1990, will now receive an additional 12.85 shares of Tescorp convertible preferred stock for each $1,000 debenture.

The American Century plan of reorganization provided that 134,800 shares of Tescorp convertible preferred stock would be held in escrow and utilized to satisfy the claim of the indenture trustee for the debentures for reimbursement of its reasonable fees and expenses as determined by the bankruptcy court.

Following this determination, 30,600 of the escrowed shares were sold in the open market at the price of 3-15/16, the proceeds of which, plus dividends on the escrowed shares, will be used to satisfy the indenture trustee claim. The remaining 104,200 escrowed shares are accordingly being distributed to former American Century debenture holders.

Tescorp manufactures and sells cable and cable connectors to the geophysical industry through its Tescorp Seismic Products division. The company also manufactures and distributes oil and gas production equipment through its Clif Mock division. For the three months ended June 30, 1990, Tescorp's revenues were $6,165,000 and net income was $382,000, or 7 cents per share.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Intel Corp. Monday introduced its Flash Memory Card, the first personal computer memory card based on flash memory technology.

This credit card-sized package stands to replace floppy and hard disk drives in portable PCs of the future.

The Flash Memory Card provides up to four-megabytes of solid-state memory. It significantly increases the performance and durability of portable personal computers, while substantially reducing the computer's power consumption (when compared with traditional mechanical disk-drive memories).

''When compared to the desktop PC memory alternatives -- floppy and hard disk drives -- the Intel Flash Memory Card offers lower power dissipation, lighter weight, ruggedness and improved performance... the ideal solution for the

portable notebook PC of the 90s,'' said Dr. Richard D. Pashley, general manager of Intel's Memory Components Division.

Flash memory is a nonvolatile memory medium (it ''remembers'' even when the power is turned off) that can easily be updated. It is so reliable that users could operate a computer equipped with a flash memory card 24 hours a day for more than 180 years without worrying about a memory failure.

Battery-operated computers using flash memory instead of mechanical memory can experience 10 to 100 times longer battery life due to the low power consumption characteristics of solid-state electronics.

Intel's Flash Memory Card is available in one- and four-megabyte densities, allowing portable computer users to install their favorite application software in their flash memory cards and still have room to store their working documents.

Intel's one-megabyte Flash Memory Card is priced at $298, while the four-megabyte card costs $1,198 in 1,000-piece quantities. Samples are available now, with volume production beginning in December.

Intel is an international manufacturer of microcomputer components, modules and systems.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Westworld Resources Inc. (NASDAQ:WSTW), together with the other owners of Empresa Minera Inti Raymi, S.A., announced that it has established the existence of 4.1 million ounces of proven and probable gold reserves and 26.8 million ounces of proven and probable silver reserves contained in a sulfide ore body underlying its Kori Kollo mine in Bolivia.

The company has defined 55.1 million short tons of minable sulfide ore and 5.7 million short tons of minable oxide ore at Kori Kollo, grading 0.0674 troy ounces gold per ton and 0.44 troy ounces silver per ton. This represents a significant increase over the earlier estimates of commercial mineralization at the property.

Approximately three million tons of oxide ore will be processed in the current leach facility prior to start up of a milling operation. The ore body remains open to adding reserves in two lateral directions. Six drill rigs are currently working to define possible extensions of the deposit.

Due to the nature of the ore, it is estimated that the recovery values will average 63 percent for gold and 25 percent for silver. Cash operating costs are for the sulfide project are estimated to be less than $180 per ounce. These costs do not include depreciation of capital, interest on financing, royalties or taxes.

The owners of Inti Raymi anticipate the construction of a 15,400 tons per day carbon-in-leach (CIL) facility at an anticipated cost of between $90 million and $100 million.

Currently, some 45,000 ounces of gold per year are being produced from the minable oxide ore and assuming a positive development decision, production from the sulfide ore could begin in late 1992 at an annual rate of approximately 240,000 ounces of gold.

Westworld Resources Inc.'s share of this production will be approximately 58,800 ounces of gold per year. A development decision is expected by the end of 1990.

Westworld Resources Inc. is a gold and silver mining company based in Houston. Empresa Minera Inti Raymi, S.A. is a Bolivian mining company based in La Paz, Bolivia. Westworld owns 24.5 percent of Empresa Minera Inti Raymi, S.A.

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SANTA ANA, Calif. (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Alpha Microsystems (NASDAQ:ALMI) Monday announced the resignation of Richard C. Wilcox, vice chairman of the board and chief technology officer.

Wilcox along with Robert B. Hitchcock, chairman of the board, founded the company in the late 1970s based on Wilcox's creation of a fast, efficient multi-user operating system known as AMOS. By pairing AMOS with microcomputer technology, the first multi-user microcomputer was developed, thus forming the basis for Alpha Microsystems' future success.

''It is with sincere regret that we accept Mr. Wilcox's resignation, however, he has chosen to pursue other business opportunities and we respect that decision,'' said John S. Cain, president of Alpha Microsystems.

''Since the early days, Mr. Wilcox has worked closely with our development group resulting in a solid core of personnel highly knowledgeable in the technology which has made AMOS so powerful,'' said Cain. ''We plan to

continue our direction of making AMOS the cornerstone of our future growth, relying on this group so aptly trained by Mr. Wilcox.

''In addition, the company will continue to benefit from Mr. Wilcox's experience and expertise through an ongoing consulting agreement, and look forward to working closely with him on future research and development projects.''

With headquarters in Santa Ana, Alpha Microsystems designs, manufactures, markets and services multi-user, multitasking hardware and software products. Operating software environments are provided for Alpha Mircosystems' AMOS and RECAP proprietary, multi-user business-oriented operating systems, as well as industry standard software including XENIX, Pick Open Architecture, Thoroughbred Basic and MS/DOS.

Distributed worldwide, the company's family of high-performance systems provide cost-effective multi-user computer solutions for businesses of all kinds.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Beginning next month, Pacific Western Bank will be the first Northern California bank to offer its customers an electronic bill paying by phone service.

The bank's ''EZ Pay'' system does not require the use of a home computer; any push button phone will provide access to the system's toll-free number. With a minimal fee of 25-cents per bill paid, usage can be less expensive than bill paying by mail.

''The simplicity, low cost and time-saving features of the service should be the primary attractions for our customers,'' said Phillip R. Boyce, chairman and chief executive officer of Pacific Western Bank. ''Using the system is very easy -- customers call in, enter the vendor number and payment amount, then let the service do the rest.

''And, if customers still want to pay bills by mail, our tellers can sell them postage stamps,'' continued Boyce.

''EZ Pay is one example of our ongoing program to introduce innovative financial services and products to our marketplace. By tailoring new services directly to our customers' lifestyles we not only meet all their banking needs but simplify their daily routines.

''In the past year, we have also been the first, or among the first banks in

the state to offer Saturday banking, 24-hour customer service by telephone and check purchase protection,'' said Boyce.

A future benefit to the bank will be its exclusive marketing rights for the EZ Pay service to independent banks operating in its three-county market: Santa Cruz, Santa Clara and Monterey counties.

When customers sign up to use EZ Pay, they will receive an account number and personal security code to access the system. Their monthly account statements will record all transactions in detail. Customers will be able to personalize the system to expand it beyond those credit cards, utilities and major department stores which are pre-programmed by the bank.

Boyce noted that similar services have been previously offered by some banks, but that they were usually managed manually by bank employees. ''These services were inefficient and expensive to maintain, and customers were charged high fees for usage. Consequently, the services were not popular with customers and tended to be discontinued,'' said Boyce.

Headquartered in San Jose, Pacific Western Bank is one of two major independent banks in Northern California. The bank has $1.3 billion in assets and operates 28 locations in Santa Clara, Santa Cruz and Monterey counties. Pacific Western Bank is a subsidiary of Pacific Western Bancshares Inc., a bank holding company also based in San Jose.

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SANTA CRUZ, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - TGV Inc. announced that it will unveil the XView for VMS development toolkit at INTEROP '90 (booth 1408) this week.

XView for VMS enables easy porting of windows-based applications written for Sun Microsystems' UNIX platform to Digital Equipment Corp.'s VAX/VMS network environment. XView for VMS is a server-based, object-oriented toolkit designed for the X Window System and DECwindows.

The XView for VMS application architecture is identical to SunView and utilizes the OPEN LOOK X Window graphical user interface and window manager, and includes pull-down and/or cascading menus, dialog boxes, and full keyboard and mouse support.

''Many users today want window applications,'' said David Kashtan, co-founder of TGV. ''That means X and ideally, a friendly interface.'' Few such applications are currently available for the DEC platform but over 2,000

third-party UNIX applications have been developed for Sun systems.

XView for VMS not only enables developers to design or port software to VAX/VMS but applications developed for the VAX can be easily ported to other hardware platforms as well.

Scheduled to be available December 1990 directly from TGV Inc., XView for VMS, is compatible with VMS 5.2 or greater.

Based in Santa Cruz, Calif., TGV Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and supports standards-based networking and application software for Digital Equipment Corporation VAX/VMS computers. TGV Inc. is located at 603 Mission Street, Santa Cruz, Calif. 95060. Telephone: 408/427-4366.

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SANTA CRUZ, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - At INTEROP '90 this week, TGV Inc. (booth 1408) will introduce MultiNet Network Management Software (NMS), the first network status monitoring tool for the VAX/VMS environment based on the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP).

MultiNet NMS runs in real-time and provides X Windows graphical user interface features to examine variables and performance data at each node/link in a TCP/IP network.

MultiNet NMS employs SNMP 'trap directed polling' to regulate the focus and intensity of polling to update the fault- management display. Network devices are mapped, with each link and node shown in one of several colors to indicate its current status.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - On Oct. 1, the USAF successfully launched the ninth operational Navstar Global Positioning System (GPS) satellite from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla.

This launch marks the ninth successful launch in the last 20 months and brings the total number of active GPS satellites to 15. Current plans call for launching one Navstar GPS satellite about every 60 days. This launch schedule should provide full 24-hour GPS coverage for North America by the end of 1990.

Navstar GPS is a space-based radio navigation system designed to provide three-dimensional position and velocity information. When fully operational, a constellation of 21 satellites, plus three on-orbit spares, in six orbital planes, will constitute the space portion of the systems.

Primarily developed as a military system, Navstar will provide navigation position and time information to civilian users as well. GPS advantages include worldwide, all-weather operation and position accuracies of 25 meters in three dimensions.

Trimble is the world leader in the emerging commercial market for satellite-based navigation and position data products using the U.S. Government-funded Global Positioning System (GPS). Trimble designs, manufactures, and markets electronic instruments for determining precise geographic location.

These products are sold in a variety of markets including survey and mapping, GIS, marine, aviation, vehicle tracking, military applications, and differential GPS systems. The company, founded in 1978 and located in the heart of Silicon Valley, Calif., has been selling GPS to the world market since 1984.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Computer Communications (ACC) Monday announced the addition of IP routing to the ACS 2100 Local Ethernet Bridge at Interop '90 in San Jose, Oct. 8-12.

The enhancement means the ACS 2100 will support simultaneous bridging and routing between local Ethernet segments.

''The ACS 2100 lets users build integrated multiprotocol networks and at the same time take advantage of the efficiency of IP routing,'' said Gary Krall, ACC's director of Marketing. While bridging transparently connects heterogeneous LANs, routing adds the ability to forward data packets more efficiently, reducing network traffic.

According to Krall, when network traffic reaches a point where segmentation is required, the ACS 2100 will partition the network and increase performance.

For network connections that require both bridging and routing, the ACS 2100 enhancement combines the full features of MAC-layer bridging and IP routing. TCP/IP packets are routed between Ethernets while all other network protocols are bridged.

For those packets that are bridged, address tables are automatically learned. Routing tables are built and maintained using dynamic routing protocols. By combining techniques, network managers can optimize all resources.

The ACS 2100 is targeted for small- to medium-sized networks typically found in departments or divisions. The ACS 2100 works as a local compliment to ACC's Series 4000 line of remote bridge/router products to form large, integrated networks.

With a sustained throughput rate of 12,500 packets/sec., the ACS 2100 operates at twice the speed of other local bridge/routers and sells for half the price, listing at $3,250. The ACS 2100 also supports industry standard protocols, such as standard or thinwire Ethernet connections, the Simple Network Management Protocol, the IEEE 802.1 Spanning Tree Algorithm.

Since its incorporation in 1975, ACC has been developing and manufacturing data communications hardware and software products that focus on customer needs.

Its internetworking products were introduced in 1988. Since that time, ACC has become a market leader in the remote bridge/router and network management arena. Worldwide, ACC products are connecting local and wide-area networks in government and commercial industries.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Cypress Semiconductor Monday announced the appointment of Bill DeMatteis as manager of corporate product marketing.

In this position, he has strategic marketing responsibility for Cypress products.

DeMatteis, who reports to Cypress's vice president of marketing and sales, Lowell Turriff, fills a position previously held by Tom North, who was recently named president of Cypress's Aspen Semiconductor subsidiary.

Most recently, DeMatteis was director of marketing, with operational responsibility, for the memory division of VLSI Technology. Prior to that he held a range of senior marketing positions with Advanced Micro Devices and

Fairchild Semiconductor. While at AMD, DeMatteis was named Marketeer of the Year for 1982.

''Bill DeMatteis brings tremendous depth of experience to this key position at Cypress,'' said Lowell Turriff. ''Bill's strong marketing background, particularly in the memory area, complements the strong marketing team Cypress already has in place.''

DeMatteis holds an engineering degree from the University of Detroit. He resides in San Jose, Calif., with his wife and daughter.

Cypress Semiconductor Corp. is a leader in the design, development and manufacture of a broad line of high-performance digital integrated circuits, fabricated using its proprietary 0.8 and 1.2 micron CMOS and BiCMOS technologies.

Cypress offers a range of products, including RISC microprocessors and peripherals, CMOS PLDs (programmable logic devices), static RAMs (random-access memories), PROMs (programmable read-only memories), logic devices, high-speed bipolar and BiCMOS ECL (emitter-coupled logic) devices, and high-speed static RAM modules.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - PS Group Inc. directors Monday declared a cash dividend of 15 cents per common share to shareholders of record on Oct. 22.

The dividend will be paid on Nov. 14.

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ALAMEDA, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Uniface Corp. Monday announced it has launched North American operations with headquarters in Alameda, in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Uniface is the newly created, wholly owned subsidiary of Uniface B.V. based in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. The U.S. corporation will conduct the sales and marketing of the UNIFACE Fourth Generation application development software and will provide a complete spectrum of customer services, including support,

training, consulting, and U.S.-specific engineering.

Michael Wilson, formerly vice president of Sales at Ingres Corp., Alameda, has been appointed president of the newly formed Uniface Corp. U.S.A.

UNIFACE is an advanced fourth generation software development system which offers customers tools to solve their business application problems today, while maintaining the greatest degree of flexibility for the inclusion of future technological advances.

Uniface Corp. is a technology leader in open systems application development tools for professional developers of high performance MIS applications. Uniface is used by customers in financial services, pharmaceuticals, telecommunications, government and manufacturing markets.

Based in Alameda, the company distributes its products through multiple channels, including a direct sales force, distribution, OEMs, VARs, and joint marketing partners.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Warrantech Corp. (NASDAQ:WTEC), Monday announced that it has signed a two-year agreement with Planned Technologies Ltd. of Hicksville, N.Y.

Joel San Antonio, chairman of Warrantech, stated: ''Planned Technologies is an importer of answering machines, telephones, karaoke machines and various other electronic equipment. Under the terms of the agreement we will initially administer extended service contracts for Planned Technologies' line of Record a Call answering machines and their Lonestar/Singalodeon line of karaoke machines.''

Larry Richenstein, president of Planned Technologies said: ''We chose Warrantech over several other companies because of their strong management team, their ability to service the customer in an expedient and professional manner and because of their strong financial base. We anticipate a long and mutually rewarding relationship with Warrantech and their excellent management team.''

Warrantech administers service contracts for consumer electronic products, appliances and home office equipment. Through their wholly owned subsidiary, Warrantech Dealer Based Services, the company administers service contracts for automobiles and recreational vehicles.

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DENVER (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Rocky Mountain Beverage Co. (NASDAQ:RMBC), producer of ''Colorado Crystal'' sparkling water, announced Monday the expansion of distribution of its product line into the states of Missouri, Nebraska and Wyoming, with approval being given to distributors in each area.

This follows the recent introduction of ''Colorado Crystal'' in Arizona.

''These additions to our distributor network are part of the strategic growth plan for the company,'' said Raymond A. Murtha, president and chief executive officer of Rocky Mountain Beverage Co. ''By the close of the fourth quarter, an additional five states will be brought on line, some of which represent much larger markets than those in which we are currently doing business.''

By the close of the third quarter the company expects gross sales to exceed total company sales for all of 1989. This is attributed in part to increased sales of ''Colorado Crystal,'' as well as substantial growth in the RMBC's private bottling segment.

''Colorado Crystal'' is a naturally flavored mountain spring water bottled at the source in the Grand Mesa area of western Colorado.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Source Venture Capital Inc. announces that Arnold Tinter, president and director of the company, has resigned effective Sept. 15, 1990 as president and from the board of directors.

Tinter sites personal reasons for his resignation. The board of directors of Source Venture Capital Inc. has not yet appointed a replacement for Tinter.

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CARPINTERIA, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Sound Corp. (NASDAQ:DGSD) Monday announced it has entered into a two-year agreement with GTE Telephone Operations to provide voice processing systems for the telco giant's rollout of enhanced voice services for business and related customers.

Under the terms of the contract, which the companies believe will result in several million dollars, Digital Sound will supply GTE with its VoiceServer platform and InfoMail application software for GTE's central-office-based Personal Secretary Service and CentraNet Voice Messaging service. In addition Digital Sound will provide its VoiceServer platforms for resale through GTE's CPE distribution channels.

Using the VoiceServer and InfoMail, GTE CentraNet now offers its customers basic voice-messaging capabilities, including call answering, send, reply, scan messages, attendant transfer and urgent message notification. Other options will allow customers to retrieve messages from a location away from home or office and customers can be notified of a message via pager.

In addition, guest mailboxes can be set up by the user. This service is available to customers with CentraNet Service, a central office-based digital switching system for business customers.

GTE's Personal Secretary Service offers residential and business customers with a single phone line the following standard features: call answering, wake-up and reminder/personal calendar. Optional features include individual message boxes, broadcast and pager notification.

''Our relationship with GTE has solidified our presence in the CO market and we're pleased to be such an integral part of the Personal Secretary and CentraNet rollout,'' said John Kennedy, vice president of sales and marketing for Digital Sound.

''We specifically designed the VoiceServer to handle the high load requirements found in the CO market and we feel GTE recognized the performance capabilities of the system. In addition, because the VoiceServer is designed to perform multiple applications at the same time, we can meet the immediate needs of GTE and its customers, as well as their evolving needs that undoubtedly will include more than just voice messaging.''

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PALO ALTO, Calif. (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Legato Systems Inc. Monday announced an agreement with Sequent Computer Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:SQNT) to implement the Legato NetWorker network backup and recovery product on the complete line of Symmetry computer systems.

Under the terms of the agreement, Sequent has licensed NetWorker technology to serve as the basis of its network backup and recovery product to be made available in late 1991.

''Commercial customers running business-critical online transaction processing applications are demanding higher levels of data integrity from their UNIX-based systems,'' said Ralph Hedberg, Sequent's director of product marketing.

''The Legato NetWorker product will give Sequent customers valuable online backup and recovery features which are completely transparent to the end-user.''

Sequent and Legato will also jointly develop new features important to the Sequent commercial customer, including enhancing NetWorker to take advantage of the Sequent multi-processing architecture.

''Legato is being selected by more and more OEMs as partners of choice in the development of state-of-the-art technology,'' said Legato President and Chief Executive Officer Louis C. Cole.

''Sequent is noted throughout the industry as the leading manufacturer of UNIX-based systems for OLTP applications. The combination of Legato's leading backup and recovery product with Symmetry's multi-processing architecture will produce the best solutions available.''

Sequent Computer Systems Inc. is a leading provider of open-systems computing solutions for the commercial OLTP market. The company, which employs more than 1,600 people, reported 1989 revenues of $145.6 million, and second quarter 1990 revenues of $58.2 million.

Since the launch of its parallel processor family in 1984, Sequent has installed more than 2,500 systems worldwide.

Legato Systems Inc. is a leading-edge supplier of network administration products designed to enhance and simplify network computing. The company's mission is to make administration and sharing of multiple, heterogeneous network resources simple, reliable, consistent, cost-effective and efficient.

The company's products, Prestoserve and Legato NetWorker, are designed to allow organizations to utilize to maximum advantage their significant investment in existing technology, resources and personnel.

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BUFFALO, N.Y. (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The Colad Group Inc., a 46-year-old paper products design and packaging manufacturer based in Buffalo, has acquired New Age Pad & Paper Inc. of Las Vegas.

New Age Pad & Paper, a company whose gross sales exceeded $7.5 million in its first year of operation, was formed as a distributor of major television and movie licensed school supplies and paper goods on Oct. 1, 1989.

The acquisition on Sept. 1, 1990, less than one year later, represents a transformation in emphasis from merely sales to manufacturing and marketing. With management and financial support from its new parent, the company has already acquired a broad range of licensed properties as a manufacturer.

New Age president, Miles Rothman, feels the company is strategically geared for growth. ''With our properties and distribution in place,'' said Rothman, ''management believes it has the largest selection of licensed school supplies available from one company anywhere in the United States or Canada. This is our niche. We intend to double our sales in 1991.''

Selling direct, as well as through distributors, New Age school supplies and paper goods are already being sold at major national accounts, that include K-Mart, Eaton's, J.C. Penney's, Target, Toy's R Us, Wallgreen's, Wal-Mart, etc.; over 150,000 retail locations through over 17,000 accounts in the United States and Canada.

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EMERYVILLE, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Farallon Computing Inc. announced worldwide availability of the Timbuktu Gold Plan, its volume purchase agreement for users of Timbuktu software over Macintosh AppleTalk networks.

The Gold Plan now offers customers around the world the convenience of purchasing large numbers of Timbuktu software units at more attractive prices.

Farallon created the Timbuktu Gold Plan in response to customer requests for an easier and less expensive way to install Timbuktu software on larger Macintosh networks. Under the Gold Plan, resellers work with their customers

to provide customized Timbuktu packs containing precisely the number of software copies the customers need at reduced pricing. Because the Gold Plan is tailored to meet each customer's needs, it eliminates unnecessary software purchases.

Previously offered only in the United States, the wider availability of the Gold Plan is the latest step in Farallon's strategy to offer personal communications solutions to customers worldwide. Other steps in the strategy include the recent announcement of Farallon's European organization, based in London.

Timbuktu Product Manager Tim Fredel said, ''Now users with large Macintosh networks who have taken advantage of the Timbuktu Gold Plan in the United States, such as British Petroleum and other multinational companies, will be able to purchase the Gold Plan for their offices around the world.''

Farallon's Timbuktu software allows AppleTalk network users to share screen-based information and transfer files with other network users who have installed Timbuktu. The software also enables network managers to easily support Macintosh computer users on large networks. The net manager can connect to any user's machine without leaving his or her desk to provide training and support. He or she can also use Timbuktu software to manage shared network resources such as file servers. In addition, Timbuktu software's point-to-point file transer gives the network manager the ability to update users' software directly over the network.

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CARSON, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - TRW's Systems Engineering and Development Division (NYSE:TRW) has been awarded a two-year, $34 million contract extension to continue to provide integration services support for the Consolidated Space Operations Center (CSOC) at Falcon Air Force Base, Colo.

TRW has been under contract since 1982 to the Air Force Space Systems Division.

CSOC is an Air Force facility which will plan and control Air Force space missions, supplementing the capabilities of the Air Force Consolidated Space Test Center in Sunnyvale, Calif. As the systems integrator for CSOC, TRW evaluates and coordinates technical activities of all associate contractors, schedules program activities, provides technical analyses to ensure the separate parts of the system safisfy total system requirements, and performs system testing and final verification.

''The magnitude of CSOC is daunting,'' said program manager Al Nicol. ''Remote tracking stations around the world and numerous orbiting satellites must be made to speak the same language.''

CSOC is made up of three mission control centers; an operations command center that coordinates real-time operations with the Air Force Satellite Control Network; a communications system; a network control systems that controls all network resources at CSOC, the Satellite Control Network and the Consolidated Space Test Center; and supporting elements, including a technical data center developed by TRW.

This center provides the overall CSOC management information system and includes the Falcon Air Force Base Technical Library.

CSOC must support the Colorado Tracking Station as well as satellite control systems for the Global Positioning Systems and the Military Strategic and Tactical Relay System (MILSTAR). The National Test Facility for the Space Defense Initiative (SDI), also located at Falcon, has been using CSOC facilities until its own facility is completed. This test facility provides planning and control for SDI technology experiments.

''Eight years ago there was nothing out there at Falcon, only an empty field '' remembers Nicol. ''Today there is an advanced facility partially operational that is controlling Air Force satellites. Under this contract, CSOC will transition from a research and development facility to a fully operational facility to be managed by the Air Force Space Command.''

''TRW has been the systems integrator on many large-scale programs,'' said Jack R. Distaso, vice president and general manager of the Systems Engineering and Development Division. ''The biggest challenge is to coordinate the activities of numerous contractors. TRW has developed methods for technical surveillance to ensure the correct work is done at the right time and we understand how to control complex installation activities.''

Cleveland-based TRW Inc. is an international company that provides high technology products and services to the space and defense, automotive and information systems markets. The company's 1989 sales totaled more than $7 billion.

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HOUSTON (OCT 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Airlines Monday reported that its September traffic rose 1.1 percent vs. September 1989.

Continental's 56.5 percent September load factor was based on 3.1 billion revenue passenger miles (RPMs) and 5.4 billion available seat miles (ASMs).

Year-to-date, Continental's load factor is 61.2 percent, which is comparable to the 1989 level. In the January-September period Continental flew 29.7 billion RPMs and 48.6 billion ASMs.

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES
Preliminary Systemwide Traffic Results
SEPTEMBER

	1990	1989	Change
RPMs (000)	3,073,341	3,039,697	+ 1.1 percent
ASMs (000)	5,436,519	5,046,436	+ 7.7 percent
Load Factor	56.5 percent	60.2 percent	- 3.7 points

YEAR-TO-DATE

	1990	1989	Change
RPMs (000)	29,747,069	29,619,992	+ 0.4 percent
ASMs (000)	48,600,168	48,018,366	+ 1.2 percent
Load Factor	61.2 percent	61.7 percent	- 0.5 points T

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SUNNYVALE, Calif. (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Due to erroneous reports published earlier Monday, Advanced Micro Devices issued a statement clarifying an order issued from the bench by U.S. District Court Judge William Ingram on Friday, Oct. 5.

Judge Ingram issued a temporary restraining order that bars AMD from using the numbers ''80386'' or ''386'' in the name of any new product announced prior to a further hearing scheduled for Oct. 15.

The order does not prohibit AMD from announcing, introducing or selling any new microprocessor products.

Judge Ingram's order deals only with issues raised by Intel's claim that it has exclusive rights to use the numbers ''80386'' and ''386'' to designate 32-bit microprocessors. That claim is disputed by AMD. AMD has stated that it will comply with the temporary restraining order.

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TACOMA, Wash. (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Weyerhaeuser Co. on Oct. 8, 1990, declared a dividend of 30 cents per share on the common stock of the corporation payable Dec. 3, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 2, 1990.

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SAN JOSE, Calif. (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Scorpion Technologies (NASDAQ:SCPNA) Monday announced that it has signed an investment banking agreement with D.H. Blair & Co. of New York.

The agreement calls for D.H. Blair to assist Scorpion on a world-wide basis in such areas as acquisitions, capital-requirments, stock distribution, promotion and other duties as is typical of such an arrangement.

Scorpion Technologies Inc. is a high technology company serving the Fortune 1000 and the military with divisions in CAD related drawing conversion systems (Raster to Vector), and semiconductors.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - MIPS Computer Systems Inc. Monday announced that certification of the R3000A has been completed for its five semiconductor partners, providing assurance that components produced from mask-level data by each partner are pin- and specification-compatible.

The R3000A, an enhanced version of the MIPS R3000, is the highest performance CMOS microprocessor commercially available worldwide, achieving system performance of 33 VAX MIPS at clock speeds up to 40 MHz. In addition, its die size is 36 percent smaller than the R3000, which lowers manufacturing costs and offers increased performance.

Chester J. ''Chest'' Silvestri, vice president of MIPS' Technology Products Group, explained that in addition to performance and cost improvements, the R3000A consumes 20 percent less power than the R3000, provides new features for fault-tolerant systems and reduces the number of SRAMs required to build a cache memory.

The R3000A also offers dynamic endian switching, a feature that enables application software programs to run on machines configured in either big endian or little endian byte order without recompiling. Because of its lower cost and pin compatibility with the R3000, the R3000A may be used in place of

the R3000 in existing designs at 25 MHz and lower clock speeds.

The wide variety of products using MIPS' microprocessors span many industries, including telecommunications, business and technical computers, laser printing and aerospace. MIPS' design wins underscore the adaptability of its technology in applications ranging from embedded control to desktop workstations to fault-tolerant systems.

In addition, the Joint Integrated Avionics Working Group (JIAWG) has selected MIPS' Instruction Set Architecture (ISA) as a standard for the Common Avionics Processor (CAP-32) specification. Today, MIPS microprocessors have been designed into a large number of products in programs developed by the U.S. Army, Navy and Air Force.

MIPS Computer Systems Inc. is a leading supplier of technology based on RISC, including computer systems, optimizing compilers, and technology products. The company licenses its technology to semiconductor companies, which supply components for the embedded control and computer markets.

MIPS also markets a line of high-performance computer systems based on RISC, from desktop workstations to deskside and data center servers.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Taking advantage of the spiraling international market, AMKLY Systems Inc. of Irvine Monday announced it has signed agreements with 13 overseas distributors to market its personal computer memory-enhancement products.

AMKLY was founded in 1989 by Albert C. Wong, one of the founding partners of AST Research Inc., to develop and market memory-enhancement products for the United States and international markets.

The newest distributors are:

-- Micro Australia, Lane Cove, N.S.W., for Australia;

-- AB Computers, Brussels, for Belgium and Luxembourg;

-- Electrosoft Distributing, Willowdale, Ontario, for Canada;

-- Softmart International, Paris, for France;

-- Wetronic Automation, Munich, for Germany;

-- Source One, Hong Kong, for Hong Kong and the People's Republic

of China (PRC);

-- Editrice Italliana Software S.P.A., Milan, for Italy;

-- Next Ds Trading, Utrecht, for the Netherlands;

-- European Trading Corp., Lysaker, for Norway;

-- Infocom, Madrid, for Spain;

-- ETS A.B., Solna, for Sweden;

-- Euro Software, Nyon, for Switzerland;

-- Lancastrian International, Preston, Lancashire, for the

United Kingdom and Ireland.

According to Albert Wong, the distributors will perform sales/marketing functions, including market development, promotion, warranty service and post-sales service and support. ''We prefer to give our international distributors as much flexibility and autonomy as is necessary to make them successful,'' Wong stated.

''The opportunities for success in the international markets are growing as quickly as the world is changing,'' said Wong. ''In Europe especially, our ability to take advantage of these opportunities with quality products and quality service will enhance our chances of becoming a truly worldwide company '' he said.

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Mylex Corp. (NASDAQ:MYLX), the first and only manufacturer to offer a complete product line based on the Extended

Industry Standard Architecture (EISA), Monday announced shipment of the MAE486-33, an Intel 80486 microprocessor-based 33-MHz system board.

Mylex also introduced its own BIOS.

''The addition of an 80486 33-MHz board is another example of our continued commitment to provide advanced EISA solutions to our customers,'' said Dr. Akram Chowdry, Mylex's president.

The MAE486-33 board is designed for high-end applications in a multi-user, multi-tasking environment. To provide added performance, the product has 128K write-back cache in addition to the 8KB cache provided on the '486 processor chip, allowing more memory operations to occur at zero wait-state.

The MAE486-33 also includes a socket for the Weitek 4167 floating point co-processor. It has achieved 14.5 MIPS with the Power Meter (v.1.5) performance-rating benchmark and a Landmark speed rating of 146.8 (v.1.14).

The EISA I/O bus design allows the use of industry-standard 16-bit and 8-bit I/O cards in the eight 32-bit I/O slots provided on the Mylex MAE486 board.

Support for 4-megabyte SIMM devices allows configurations of up to 32 megabytes on the AT-sized system board. Each MAE486 comes with the industry-standard EISA configuration utility, which programs the on-board 8KB non-volatile RAM with the current system configuration.

Mylex BIOS shipments for the MAE486-33 will begin in October, and the BIOS will be retrofitted to other Mylex products.

With headquarters in Fremont, Mylex Corp. specializes in the design, manufacturing, and marketing of high-technology computer products which include 80486 and 80386 system boards, peripheral controller boards and custom design and manufacturing services.

With revenues of more than $40 million in 1989, the company employs over 150 people and operates a full-scale design and manufacturing facility in the United States.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp., Blue Bell, Pa., and Chorus

Systems Inc., the U.S. subsidiary of Chorus systemes, S.A., Paris, Monday announced an agreement to develop for commercial use a standards-compliant, distributed UNIX operating system based on Chorus' microkernel architecture.

The cooperative alliance, which began last year, calls for joint design work to be completed over a three-year period ending in 1992, with the goal of accelerating the development of a high-performance commercial UNIX system based on AT&T's UNIX System V Release 4 (SVR4). The first development milestone is expected to be announced during the first half of 1991.

Under the agreement, Unisys and Chorus will develop a transparently distributed, fault tolerant, scalable operating system architecture, based on Chorus' CHORUS microkernel-based operating system and AT&T's UNIX System V Release 4 (SVR4). The architecture will adhere to current industry standards such as POSIX and X/Open's Portability Guide (XPG). Further, Unisys will have first rights to market systems using the new operating system technology. Chorus will have the exclusive right to license the new technology to others.

The joint development plan calls for extending the CHORUS architecture and technology to support the System V.4 release of the UNIX operating system. Further, it calls for tying together loosely-coupled, distributed nodes via CHORUS into a high-end, scalable single system image. Finally, it provides for combining the CHORUS technology with reliable message broadcast extensions and transaction-like techniques in the operating system to support fault tolerance.

These forces have pushed today's operating systems to the limits of complexity and performance, and have hindered further development of new computer architectures. System builders need a new operating system architecture that will let them move up the ladder to next-generation systems. That new approach is microkernel architecture.

Chorus systemes, S.A. designs and markets a family of microkernel-based, cooperative operating systems that provide computer system manufacturers, telecommunications equipment vendors, and board-level computer vendors with a powerful development environment in which to build next-generation systems.

Unisys Corp. is a leading provider of commercial UNIX systems. Unisys participates actively in the development of open systems standards as a founding member of UNIX International and as a member of X/Open. Unisys was the first company to receive an XPG2 compliance certificate from X/Open.

Unisys Corp. is a $10 billion manufacturer of commercial information systems, defense systems and related services. It has approximately 75,000 employees and 60,000 customers in more than 100 countries throughout the world.

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MATTICUCK, N.Y. and WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (OCT. 8) - BUSINESS WIRE - North Fork Bancorporation, Inc. (NYSE:NFB) and Eastchester Financial Corporation (NASDAQ:ECFC) have entered into a new agreement providing for the acquisition of Eastchester by North Fork at a price of $15.50 in cash for each Eastchester share, for a total price of approximately $62 million.

Eastchester will be merged into and operate as a division of Southold Savings Bank, a wholly owned subsidiary of North Fork. The merger is conditioned on, among other things, approval by Eastchester stockholders and the receipt of required regulatory approvals by both companies. The agreement supersedes a previous agreement entered into in April of this year pursuant to which North Fork had planned to acquire Eastchester for $20 per share.

The parties said the revised terms reflect a reassessment of Eastchester's assets in light of the significant further deterioration in the regional economy during the past quarter and Eastchester's recent financial results, including a substantial provision that Eastchester plans to make to its allowance for loan loss4s for the period ending September 30, 1990. Eastchester said it expects to release its financial results for the third quarter within the next two weeks.

The revised agreement permits Eastchester, until November 16, 1990, to solicit or receive inquiries from any other parties interested in the possible acquisition of the Company and, as appropriate, to provide information to and enter into discussions and negotiations with such parties in connection with any such indicated interest. North Fork has been granted the right to be apprised of any proposals submitted to Eastchester relating to the foregoing. In connection with the revised transaction, Eastchester and North Fork agreed to terminate an earlier agreement which granted to North Fork an option to purchase 780,000 shares of Eastchester common stock, exercisable at $14.00 per share upon the occurrence of certain events.

The new agreement has received the unanimous approval of the Boards of Directors of both North Fork and Eastchester.

North Fork Bancorporation, Inc. is the holding company for North Fork Bank and Trust Company and Southold Savings Bank. The company provides commercial and

savings banking services through a network of 32 offices in Suffolk and Nassau Counties. North Fork Bancorporation had total assets of $1.9 billion at June 30, 1990.

Eastchester Financial Corporation is the parent of Eastchester Savings Bank, which operates nine branch offices in Westchester and Rockland Counties. The company had total assets of $530.6 million as of June 30, 1990.

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TORRANCE, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Throughout the fall selling season, Epson America Inc. is offering Manzana Microsystems' DrivePort free with the purchase of an Equity LT-386SX laptop computer.

Using an external drive port enables laptop owners to maximize the utility of Epson's removable hard drive. The promotion, which runs from Sept. 1 to Dec. 31, offers customers a $399 savings based on Manzana's suggested retail price.

The removable hard drive and DrivePort provide the flexibility needed for true multi-location computing. The hard drive lifts easily out of the Equity LT-386SX chassis, allowing users to exchange data among different laptops or to access their hard drive data directly from a personal computer via the DrivePort.

Unlike the traditional file transfers and disk-copying procedures, the DrivePort allows full use of the removable hard drive with any compatible system, as well as immediate hard drive access from a variety of operating systems and platforms.

Manzana Microsystems' DrivePort connects to a 16-bit I/O slot of most 286- and 386-based computers. This allows users in office settings to share a hard drive among several desktop PCs, eliminating the duplication of information that arises when identical files are stored on floppy disks and different users' hard drives. A shared hard drive can be particularly valuable in the absence of a network file server.

The removable hard drive allows mobile laptop users to share hard drives or add storage in increments of 20 or 40 MB. Security is enhanced by the fact that users can easily keep the hard drive with them or store it in a locked area. Weighing less than one pound, it is convenient to transport.

In addition to data sharing, the DrivePort and removable hard drive can serve

as a backup device for data stored on the hard drive of a PC. The external port operates as a secondary drive controller and does not affect the fixed hard drive.

The Equity LT-386SX includes 2 MB of RAM, VGA black-on-white backlit display and a 2/3 length AT-compatible expansion slot. The unit is available from Epson Authorized Resellers nationwide with a manufacturer's suggested retail price of $4,599. System requirements for use with the DrivePort include MS-DOS version 3.2 or higher and 16K of RAM.

Epson America Inc. is a manufacturer and marketer of personal computer and imaging products serving the North American marketplace.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Retix, the leading supplier of OSI products, Monday announced the first product in its internetworking family to include routing capabilities.

The 4942 Remote Bridge/Router combines the bridging functions of Retix' high-performance remote bridges with TCP/IP routing to offer users greater control of their network traffic.

Combining bridging capabilities with IP routing, the 4942 offers an advanced level of traffic control for larger, more complex network configurations and specific applications. For example, the 4942 is ideal for network partitioning and broadcast-traffic isolation.

''By integrating the proven technology of our high-performance bridges with TCP/IP routing, we've given users a simple yet effective means of building a high-speed, multiprotocol, wide-area network,'' said Steve Frankel, president of Retix. ''With networks becoming larger and more complex, the 4942 addresses a real need in the LAN market.''

The 4942's IP routing functions let users isolate IP broadcast traffic to each LAN segment to preserve WAN bandwidth. For example, networks that have a large number of UNIX workstations may produce a level of background TCP/IP broadcasts that can be isolated to each LAN segment with the 4942. This preserves more WAN bandwidth for critical data.

The 4942 can easily partition networks by IP address for almost unlimited scalability, particularly when used in conjunction with bridging. Domains of local and remote bridges can be interconnected with Retix 4942 bridge/routers. Special filters for MAC source and destination addresses, packet type and IP

addresses are available for additional security and traffic control.

For handling all other protocols, the 4942 retains all the key features of the Retix 4880 High Performance Remote bridge, including high throughput, support for routable or non-routable protocols, IEEE Spanning Tree Protocol and simple ''plug-and-play'' operation.

These features make it easy to manage a multiprotocol network, regardless of the number of protocols in use. Furthermore, the 4942's throughput does not decline as more protocols are added.

The 4942 implements both the OSI-based CMIP network management and TCP/IP-based SNMP (Simple Network Management Protocol). As part of the complete family of Retix internetworking products, the 4942 can be controlled by Retix' network-management products, including the PC-based 5010 Network Management Center and the new SNMP-based 5025 Network Management Center, also announced Monday.

The 4942 supports standard 802.3/Ethernet and Thin Ethernet. Users can select from V.35, X.21., RS-449, T1 and G.703 interfaces. The bridge/router's two ports can each support data rates of up to 2.048 Mbps. PRICING AND AVAILABILITY

The 4942 U.S. list price is $10,900 and is available 60 days after receipt of order (ARO). Until March 31, 1991, Retix is offering a special introductory price of $8,900. The product will be demonstrated for the first time at the Interop conference in San Jose Oct. 10 to 12, Booth 124.

Retix is the leading worldwide supplier of Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) products.

Founded in 1985, Retix has more than 150 OSI original equipment manufacturer (OEM) licensees throughout the world and has installed over 10,000 local and remote LAN bridges. Retix designs, manufactures and markets its products to OEMs, distributors, systems integrators, value-added resellers and large end users.

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SAN BERNARDINO, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - New York City Health and Hospitals Corp. (NYCHHC) has selected San Bernardino-based Health Data

Sciences Corp. (HDS) to provide an integrated clinical information-management system to all of its 11 acute-care hospitals, five Neighborhood Family Care Centers and numerous satellite clinics located throughout New York City.

This project, with a value of more than $60 million, will provide state-of-the-art access to clinical information throughout NYCHHC's facilities.

HDS is a leading international designer and supplier of advanced health-care information systems. The company's ULTICARE product integrates all patient-care records and communications via a computer teminal network operating on Data General hardware.

ULTICARE, first launched in 1984, is the first system to completely integrate all patient-care information on an organization-wide basis, greatly reducing manual record keeping and culminating in an electronic medical record.

''We are honored that the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation has recognized the potential bnefits of the ULTICARE clinical information-management system,'' said Ralph A. Korpman, M.D., president and founder of HDS.

''HDS is dedicated to developing integrated information systems that reduce or eliminate manual record keeping and documentation duplication. This ultimately enhances the quality of patient care while reducing labor hours spent on tedious clerical tasks.''

The announcement by NYCHHC comes after an extensive vendor search process that has spanned nearly five years. NYCHHC is the largest municipal health-care system in the United States, employing more than 50,000 health-care professionals and allied employees.

In 1986, the corporation issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking an information system that could accommodate its significant information-processing needs for a clinical system to assist providers in the delivery of care. The selection committee concluded at that time that no system existed to adequately fulfill NYCHHC's requirements.

In June 1989, a second RFP was issued and after a lengthy evaluation process, HDS was selected as NYCHHC's clinical health-care information-system vendor.

Nancy O'Donohue, assistant vice president of NYCHHC, commented: ''After intensively studying the systems proposed, the selection committee, consisting of physicians, nurses and administrators, unanimously agreed that ULTICARE best met NYCHHC's requirements for a patient-centered and operations-optimizing clinical system which will significantly enhance our ability to deliver cost-effective care.

''ULTICARE's ability to provide a longitudinal record, integrating inpatient

and outpatient care, is vital to a comprehensive health-care delivery system like ours.

''We are confident that ULTICARE, configured with terminals in each nursing station and ambulatory care unit, will contribute significantly to our ability to continue to deliver the highest quality of health care to the people of New York City,'' she said.

Installation is expected to begin in 1991, with full system implementation scheduled over approximately 54 months.

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SARASOTA, FL (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - OMNI FILMS INTERNATIONAL INC. (NASDAQ:OFII) Monday announced that the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, generated record revenues and earnings and that the new fiscal year beginning Oct. 1, 1990, started with a record order backlog in excess of $5.5 million.

Part of the backlog consists of a shipment to Tokyo, Japan in October 1990 of the largest seat-based motion simulator of it kind in the world. This 120-seat Motion Master, to be installed at Kure Portpialand, refects the strong international interest for motion simulators for amusement and entertainment. Other scheduled shipments include two Motion Master installations in retail shopping environments, a new market segment recently targeted by the company.

Commenting on the record performance, Fred Hollingsworth III stated: ''Our fiscal 1990 performance and the strong continuing demand, as seen by our existing backlog and expanding markets, reflects the current and long-term prospects of the company. Recent sales to the retail shopping environment have opened an entirely new market segment that will greatly enhance the earnings potential for OMNI FILMS. We look forward to another record year for fiscal 1991.''

OMNI FILMS INTERNATIONAL INC. specializes in the design and sale of advanced 70mm wide screen cinema entertainment systems. OMNI also produces, distributes and licenses 70mm films for these systems. OMNI is traded on the NASDAQ system under the symbol OFII.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantic Magnetics Inc. here announces a new Toroid Transformer Tester for transformers and inductors wound on toroid (doughnut-shaped) cores.

New Model 3500A handles virtually every size toroid transformer made, from 0.060 inch to 8 inches inside diameter.

''Because our new tester is so fast, accurate and simple to use, it promises to improve manufacturing efficiencies in radio and television, local area networks, telecommunications, power converters, consumer electronics and all the many other applications requiring toroid transformers,'' notes AMI President Edward Cammarata.

Model 3500A automatically determines and displays the turns counts of toroid transformer core windings. It reduces to zero the skill required to do this testing, and eliminates human error.

The unit features optimized work space dimensions of 4 inches high, 10 inches wide and 15 inches deep. It weighs 9 lbs and consumes 10 Watts from a 115 VAC line, 50/60 Hz.

Model 3500A provides a special LOW PERMEABILITY MODE in which the unit is used to compare toroids under test to known turns-count reference transformers. ''No other product on the market can do that,'' says Cammarata.

In operation, transformers to be tested are placed over a conical mounting hub which accommodates toroids from 0.060 inch to eight inches inside diameter. Up to four secondary windings connect to the test bed via four pairs of color-coded posts.

Press a button, and a unique rotating contact arm swings automatically into position, completing the primary connection and assuring its integrity. In 100 milliseconds or less, the instrument cycles through its test procedure and indicates the turns-count on its large, easy-to-read display.

Press again, and the rotary arm retracts for the next transformer to be mounted and tested.

The entire process takes 10 or 15 seconds, and there is nothing to interpret. Results are absolutely repeatable and accurate to within two turns in 1000.

Model 3500A is priced at $1995 each. A wide selection of reference toroids is priced at $50 each. Delivery of all items is quoted off-the-shelf.

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Focus Information Systems Inc. announced Monday the 2-the-Max VGA 8900, a high-resolution Super VGA card for IBM compatible personal computers.

The product is available immediately.

The 2-the-Max VGA 8900 uses Trident Microsystems' TVGA 8900 graphic chip-set. Trident's 8900 graphic chip-set has significant market share and is a leading standard for high resolution graphics cards. The 2-the-Max VGA 8900 offers a flexible memory configuration expandable to one megabyte and 1024 x 768-pixel resolution with up to 256 displayable colors drawn from a palette of 16.7 million colors.

The 2-the-Max VGA 8900 is also capable of running 1024 x 768 pixel resolution with 16 colors, 1024 x 768 pixel resolution with four colors and 800 x 600 pixel resolution with 256 colors.

Additional features of the 2-the-Max VGA 8900 include:
-- Up to 132 columns by 60 rows in text mode
-- 32-bit memory architecture
-- Clock-chip (rather than oscillator) multi-frequency timing for VGA and Super VGA compatibility, CGA and EGA monitor compatibility and synchronization with advanced monitors
-- Single chip solution for IBM PC/XT/AT, PS/2 and compatibles
-- Digital 9-pin and analog 15-pin high-density outputs
-- RAM-BIOS speed-up utility
-- Dot frequency up to 65 MHz
-- 70 Hz screen refresh rate
-- Compatible with interlaced and non-interlaced monitors - dip switch
-- Feature connector
-- Flicker-free operation in all modes
-- Driver support including Microsoft Windows 3.0, 8514/A emulation, OS/2 Presentation Manager, PCAD and SCO Xenix (UNIX Systems)
-- Upgradable video memory; configurable from 256K to 1 MB
-- FCC class B approved

The 2-the-Max VGA 8900 is accompanied by a one-year guarantee and a seven-day turn-around service program. ''All of our VGA cards are covered under a seven-day turn-around service program,'' said Paul Lee, vice-president of operations.

Located in Fremont, Focus Information Systems Inc. is a two-year-old manufacturer and designer of high-resolution Super VGA cards; and, ISA and EISA 486 motherboards. By using state-of-the-art surface mount technology, Focus delivers low-cost, high-performance products to the distributor, reseller and OEM markets.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Equipment Corp. and Vitalink Communications Corp., a leading LAN internetworking company, Monday announced that Digital plans to sell, service and support Vitalink's TransPATH 350 remote Ethernet bridge/router, worldwide.

''The addition of Vitalink's bridge/router to our product line is a natural expansion of our continuing agreement to resell Vitalink's TransLAN Ethernet bridge family,'' commented Bill Johnson, Digital's vice president of Telecommunications and Networking.

Digital's decision to resell TransPATH is an extension of the companies' Technology Exchange Agreement, a milestone in the evolution of Vitalink and Digital's business relationship, which was signed this summer. Since 1984, the two companies have been working together under an agreement to develop products and provide marketing and service support for remote bridging technology.

In July of this year, Vitalink announced plans to add DECnet Phase IV routing support to its TransPATH family, distinguishing its implementation from other parties' Phase IV products with a plan to provide interoperability with both DECrouters and Digital network management tools for DECrouters.

Vitalink's initial release of Phase IV routing is scheduled for availability during the first half of 1991. Vitalink has also announced plans to add XNS and IPX protocol routing support to the TransPATH family during the fourth quarter of 1990.

An original member of the DECmcc Strategic Vendor Program, Vitalink intends to utilize DECmcc Access Modules to ensure its bridges and bridge/routers are manageable from a common DECmcc enterprise management system. In July Vitalink successfully demonstrated a prototype Access Module for DECmcc at DECWORLD in Boston.

Digital Equipment Corp., headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the world's leading supplier of network computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

Founded in 1980, Vitalink Communications Corp. manufactures and markets a family of LAN interconnect processors including Ethernet and Token-Ring bridges and bridge/routers, and a comprehensive network management system. Over 13,000 systems are installed worldwide, reflecting the company's position as a leading supplier of advanced internetworking systems used to build large, multivendor computer networks.

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OWINGS MILLS, MD (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - UNIVERSAL SECURITY INSTRUMENTS, INC. (NASDAQ Symbol: USEC) Monday announced that it has settled claims with its insurance carrier for inventory, property and equipment damage resulting from the March 1990 fire.

As a result of the settlement, the Company will report an extraordinary gain of $1,002,078, or $0.29 per share, for the second quarter ended September 30, 1990. The settlement of these claims will increase the Company's book value to $2.69 per share as compared to $2.40 as of June 30, 1990. Operating results for the second quarter ended September 30, 1990 will be reported later this month.

The Company is in the process of preparing its only remaining insurance claim for business interruption and expects to have this claim settled before March 31, 1991, the end of the Company's current fiscal year. At the present time, the Company is unable to predict the amount of reimbursement it expects to receive for its business interruption claim.

UNIVERSAL SECURITY INSTRUMENTS, INC. designs, manufactures and markets security, video and telecommunications products.

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MILPITAS, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Qume Corp. announced that, in its second quarter ended Aug. 31, the company incurred a net loss of $1,476,000, or 13 cents per share.

For the corresponding quarter last year, the company reported net income of $3,122,000, or 26 cents per share, which included a pre-tax capital gain of approximately $3.3 million relating to a private placement of common stock of Qume Corp. Taiwan (Qume Taiwan) on Aug. 31, 1989.

For the six months ended Aug. 31, the company incurred a loss of $3,307,000, or 29 cents per share. For the corresponding six month period last year, the company reported net income of $6,820,000, or 57 cents per share, which included a pre-tax capital gain of approximately $4.9 million relating to private placements of common stock of Qume Taiwan and DTC Technology Corp.

Revenues for the current quarter were approximately $53.2 million, a decrease from revenues of approximately $55.3 million during the same quarter last year.

Revenues for the six months ended Aug. 31, were approximately $110.2 million, a decrease from revenues of approximately $111.8 million in the prior six month period.

The decrease in revenues was due primarily to decreased sales of the company's storage controller and other products, partially offset by increased distributor sales. Intense competitive pressures, which began during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 and continued through the current quarter, caused a substantial reduction in storage controller revenues and a decline in storage controller margins, although the controller portion of the company's business remained profitable.

These changes are due primarily to continued price erosion of the company's low-end PC controller boards (IBM PC/XT and IBM PC/AT) and the replacement of such low-end boards by IDE (integrated drive electronics) disk drives.

The company hopes to increase sales of its high-end PC controller boards (SCSI ESDI, and EISA) and other new products in order to offset the decline in the sales of low-end boards.

The company also said that it will not return to profitability in the third quarter of the current fiscal year, due to continued softness in sales of computer peripheral products generally and to expenses incurred (or to be incurred) during the third quarter relating to the failed buy-out transaction. Such expenses are currently estimated to total approximately $1.5 million to $1.8 million.

Qume Corp. (NASDAQ:QUME) manufactures and markets page and daisywheel printers

display products and supplies and accessories.

In addition, the company's Data Technology Division offers disk drive controller boards, chip sets and high-capacity flexible disk drives and subsystems.

Qume's products are marketed worldwide through a variety of distribution channels and OEMs.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - CMS Enhancements Inc. (NYSE:CME), a global producer of mass-data storage devices and accessories, Monday announced EnhanceRAM, a memory adapter for PC/AT and compatibles and the IBM PS/2 Model 30 286.

The adapter provides up to 8 Mbytes of expanded, enhanced and backfill memory. No hardware changes are required because the board is configured via menu-driven software.

EnhanceRAM supports systems with speeds up to 33 Mhz and uses a 16-bit AT bus interface and is LIM EMS 4.0 compatible for use with today's leading software.

Available after Oct. 1, EnhanceRAM has a suggested retail price of $299 and is backed by a two-year warranty.

CMS Enhancements is a $200 million public compay producing mass-data storage devices and accessories for computers manufactured by Apple, IBM, Compaq, Digital Equipment Corp., Epson, Toshiba, Tandy, AT&T, Sun Microsystems, Commodore, AST and many others.

The firm, with headquarters in Southern California, ships more than 50,000 hard-disk and tape drives per month to 1,500 dealers and distributors in the United States and 60 other nations.

Additional information is available from Doug Clemons, memory-enhancements product manager, CMS Enhancements Inc., 2722 Michelson Dr., Irvine, Calif. 92714; phone 714/222-6193; fax 714/549-4004.

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CLINTON, NJ (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Foster Wheeler Corp. Monday announced the signing of a contract between Pertamina, the Indonesian state oil company, and Java Petroleum Investment Co. Ltd. (JAPIC) for the financing of EXOR-1, a new $1.8-billion ''grass roots'' oil refinery.

The installation will be built at Balongan on the northeastern coast of West Java, some 250 kilometers east of Jakarta.

The contract, an ''advanced payment agreement'', signals the start of the project, enabling funds to be released in accordance with contractual provisions. Its signing follows four years of planning by an Anglo-Japanese engineering and construction consortium led by Foster Wheeler in the United Kingdom in response to an invitation in 1986 from the Indoesian government to develop an export refinery in that country, the capital cost of which would be financed by subsequent production.

The consortium members are Foster Wheeler and the BP Group from the United Kingdom; JGC Corp. and Mitsui from Japan.

Louis E. Azzato, chairman, president and CEO of Foster Wheeler Corp., said, ''This is a significant project that will add materially to our backlog of orders. With increasing uncertainty about oil prices and supplies, a project such as this underscores that considerable financial resources are available to support major engineering and construction efforts,'' he added.

EXOR-1 will process 125,000 barrels per day of Indonesian crude oils to produce gasoline, kerosene, gasoil, diesel fuel, liquified petroleum gas, propylene and decant oil - mainly for the Indonesian domestic market. Initial operations will start in 1994.

Japanese sources are providing 100 percent of the financing for the project. This has been arranged through JAPIC, with funds coming from a syndicate of 21 Japanese banks led by the Industrial Bank of Japan.

Two other significant contracts were signed earlier this year with Pertamina. They were the engineering, procurement and construction contract involving Foster Wheeler, JGC, Mitsui and FEOT and the ''offtakers contract'' with BP for the lifting and sale of products from the refinery.

The detailed engineering, procurement and construction of the installation will be undertaken by Foster Wheeler and JGC working together as a joint venture. The two companies have already exchanged staff in each others' offices. At peak, Foster Wheeler will have more than 200 engineering personnel working on the project. The use of Indonesian resources will be optimized and there will be substantial purchases of Indonesian equipment and materials.

The project will employ state-of-the-art heavy oil upgrading facilities and meet the most exacting international environmental standards. Foster Wheeler's main engineering resonsibility will be the process design and detailed engineering of three of the refinery's process units - a crude distillation unit, a hydrogen unit and a residue catalytic cracking (RCC) complex. The RCC will be the largest of its kind ever built in the world.

Foster Wheeler will also provide support during the later construction and commissioning stages. An office for a wholly-owned subsidiary, Foster Wheeler (Indonesia) Ltd. will be opened in Jakarta next month.

Foster Wheeler in the United Kingdom is a group of integrated engineering, management and construction companies headquartered in Reading, England with 70 years of experience in energy, processing, power and industrial sectors, principally serving the refining, petrochemical, chemical, oil and gas (offshore, onshore and subsea) and pharmaceuticals/fine chemicals industries throughout the world.

Foster Wheeler Corp., the parent, is a worldwide organization offering a broad range of design, engineering, construction, manufacturing, management, real estate development and environmental services. The corporation's headquarters are at Clinton.

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PURCHASE, NY (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - JWP Inc. (NYSE:JWP), announced Monday that the tender offer by a JWP Inc. subsidiary for all of COMPUMAT Inc's common stock at $3.25 net per share in cash expired at 12:00 midnight on Friday, Oct. 5.

All shares of COMPUMAT validly tendered have been accepted.

The Bank of New York, the Depositary for the tender offer, has advised JWP that approximately 1,896,000 COMPUMAT shares, representing approximately 97 percent of COMPUMAT's outstanding shares, were tendered.

Payment for shares validly tendered will be made as soon as practical after receipt of all necessary related documents by The Bank of New York.

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SAN RAFAEL, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix American Inc. said the previously announced tender offer by Phoenix Affiliates International Inc. to purchase all outstanding shares of the company's common stock at $5 per share was commenced Monday.

The tender is part of the definitive merger agreement announced earlier this month. The company also said that Phoenix Affiliates International has signed a definitive credit agreement under which a bank has agreed, subject to certain conditions, to loan Phoenix Affiliates approximately $5 million to complete the acquisition.

Unless extended, the offer will expire on Nov. 9, 1990, at 4 p.m., San Francisco time. The offer is conditioned upon, among other things, a minimum of 799,679 shares being properly tendered and not withdrawn prior to the expiration of the offer and the satisfaction or waiver of all conditions to the drawdown of funds by Phoenix Affiliates International pursuant to its definitive bank credit agreement.

The information agent for the offer is Skinner & Co.

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Koger Properties Inc. (NYSE:KOG) Monday announced that the company has retained the New York investment banking firm of Rothschild Inc. as financial advisor.

Rothschild will work with Koger to develop a program aimed at enhancing shareholder value and reducing and restructuring the company's debt, while preserving the operational soundness and independence of the company.

Koger Properties Inc. develops, owns, and manages 36 office parks, called Koger Centers, in 23 cities throughout the Southeast and Southwest.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - American Building Maintenance Industries Inc. (NYSE:ABM) announced that the company's two principal shareholders, Theodore and Sydney Rosenberg, who together own approximately 30

percent of the company's outstanding shares, have terminated discussions with a potential buy-out group which included management.

The Rosenbergs advised the company that they are not interested in entertaining further proposals with respect to the acquisition of their shares at this time.

The company had announced in February 1990 that it was exploring with the Rosenberg's support, the feasibility of several recapitalization and restructuring alternatives, including a possible conversion from public to private ownership, and that a special committee of the board of directors had been appointed to consider any such proposals or other available alternatives.

The company's management had previously indicated its intention to submit a proposal to the special committee for its consideration. Management has now indicated to the company that, in view of the decision by the Rosenbergs, it does not intend to proceed with a proposal at this time.

ABM is one of America's leading facility service contracters, providing elevator, engineering, janitorial, lighting, mechanical, parking, pest control security and janitorial supply services to hundreds of communities in the United States and Canada.

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TULSA, OK (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - American Body Armor & Equipment Inc. (NASDAQ:ABAE) the oldest manufacturer of bullet resistant vests, Monday introduced three newly-designed vests and a protective shield at the International Association of Chiefs of Police Inc. (IACP) Conference in Tulsa.

The three vests are tailored to the specialized needs of undercover agents (the Hidden Agenda Jacket), narcotics officers (the Narc vest), and those officers using the ''weaver'' position (the Weaver vest) as frequently seen in films when officers are scouting the interiors of residential dwellings. Each of these vests offers broader coverage and mobility than offered by currently existing vests.

Steve Giordanella, president of ABA said ''With an increasing crime rate throughout the country, ABA is continually working to create and design vests and equipment specifically tailored to the needs of our nation's police officers.

''Our staff is highly trained and qualified. Many of our executives have over 20 years experience working within the law enforcement field and I am

confident that our products are of the highest quality available.''

The protective shield, officially called the Portable Ballistic Barrier Shield was designed by Al Baker, director of ABA's Tactical Division and former Lieutenant Special Assignment, who has over 24 years experience in law enforcement, rescue, violent crime and hostage situations.

The shield is specially designed for hostage or barricade situations, where officers apprehend danger and want to move in on the suspects. The shield is made up of three separate pieces, which can be rapidly assembled and rolled into position.

As many as three officers can stand behind the shield at one time. It also contains a view port, which enables the officers to effectively see through the shield.

Al Baker noted, ''This new shield enables officers easier mobility and heightened security when they are closing in on subjects. Additionally, the assailant cannot see behind the shield. My years of experience in hostage and barricade situations contributed greatly to my understanding of what was needed in this product.''

ABA, based in Fernandina Beach, Fla. is a leading supplier of soft body armor and armored products. Their clients include law enforcement and government agencies in the United States, the Middle East, Europe and Asia.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - HOWELL CORPORATION (NYSE Symbol: HWL) announced Monday that it has merged the operations and management of its custom chemical processing and product terminalling unit, Howell Chemical Systems, Inc. (HCS), with its technical fuels refining and marketing unit, Howell Hydrocarbons Incorporated (HH).

The newly combined entity is Howell Hydrocarbons & Chemicals, Inc. (HHC). The Company believes it will greatly benefit from the merger of these two operating units by creating a more effective management team, operating efficiencies, and strategic synergies which will positively impact operational results.

Commenting on the announcement, Mr. Paul Funkhouser, President of HOWELL CORPORATION, said ''We are excited about the merger of HCS and HH into one HOWELL CORPORATION operating segment. The newly formed HHC will enable the Company to further develop this business by capitalizing on the combined

strengths of each former operating unit. Our Channelview, Texas facility will easily accommodate the anticipated increase in our technical fuels business as well as our toll processing and terminalling business as HHC marketing professionals cultivate new chemical industry relationships.''

Robert W. Haugen, formerly President of HH, has been appointed President of HHC and will relocate from San Antonio, Texas to the Channelview, Texas facility. Mr. Haugen joined the HH division in 1981 as Chief Chemist, became a Vice President in 1984 and President of that operating unit in 1987.

Robert H. Rumford has been named Vice President, Marketing of HHC. Mr. Rumford has held the same position with HH since 1987. In his new position, Mr. Rumford will coordinate and manage the marketing efforts for the two operating divisions of HHC.

Gary L. Spaid (HCS) and David M. Robinson (HH), both of whom are Chemical Engineers, continue as Vice Presidents of HHC, with the added responsibility of managing daily operations at each respective site.

HOWELL CORPORATION is an energy industry holding company. The Company's four wholly owned operating units are involved in oil and gas exploration, production and marketing, specialty chemicals processing, marketing and services, product terminalling, and common carrier bulk liquid transportation of hydrocarbons and chemicals.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. Monday announced it will demonstrate leading-edge internetworking technologies this week at InterOp '90 (booth No. 1800) in San Jose.

Additionally, 3Com will showcase products in four InterOp-sponsored interoperability demonstrations and participate in seminars and technical panels at the week-long show.

In its booth, 3Com will demonstrate internetworking protocols that provide customers with the ability to better manage and control complex internetworks. Routing protocols, being demonstrated on 3Com's NETBuilder internetworking platform, include Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP), Intermediate System to Intermediate System Interdomain routing protocol (IS-IS) and Open Shortest Path First (OSPF).

Also, 3Com will demonstrate its NETBuilder internetworking platform running on networks at greater than T1 speeds by using a T3Plus interface. And 3Com will show the first multiprotocol router for LAN Manager workgroups, 3+Open Internet/X.25.

This software concurrently routes Xerox Network Systems (XNS) and Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) packets over X.25, providing the workgroup with a cost effective way to connect multiple environments.

3Com also will participate in four InterOp-sponsored showcases. Working with cisco, Telebit and Network Systems Corp., 3Com will demonstrate the PPP protocol on its NETBuilder brouters. In the Open Systems Interconnect (OSI) showcase, 3Com will demonstrate a comprehensive set of products that support the OSI protocol and facilitate the transition from TCP/IP to OSI.

3Com will also showcase products in the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) demonstration and participate with more than 10 other vendors in show's 10Base-T demonstration. Speaking Engagements

3Com Corp. is a leading independent global data networking company, providing multivendor connectivity that spans organizations and businesses worldwide. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports networking systems based on industry standards and open systems architecture.

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Intergraph Corp. (NASDAQ:INGR) announced Monday that Delco Electronics, subsidiary of GM Hughes Electronics, and Delco Products division of General Motors Corp. have awarded contracts to Intergraph for electronic design automation (EDA) tools.

These hardware and software tools will be used for both electronic product design and data management tasks.

The contracts, worth an estimated $2 million, call for Intergraph to supply the two General Motors Division with 40 workstations, as well as servers, peripherals, and extensive design automation software.

The Intergraph hardware and software tools will be used by the Automotive Electronic Systems Business Unit, the Audio Systems Business Unit, the Instrumentation and Air Controls Business Unit, and the Production Control Systems group. Each will use the Intergraph tools to perform all of their printed circuit board design and schematic drawing tasks.

Intergraph tools were selected after ongoing product evaluations and benchmark tests at Delco Electronics facilities in Kokomo, Ind. and Delco Products facilities in Dayton, Ohio.

Intergraph Corp.'s products include a broad range of complementary workstations and network servers, as well as complete application-specific systems for computer-aided engineering, design, manufacturing, and publishing, plus numerous earth science applications.

A Fortune 500 company, Intergraph is the world's largest company dedicated to developing and manufacturing interactive computer graphics systems.

Intergraph's Electronics Division has a broad suite of electronic design automation (EDA) software which provides solutions from conception through manufacture and is integrated within a common framework.

Intergraph is a registered trademark of Intergraph Corp.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Battle Mountain Gold Co. (NYSE:BMG), in conjunction with its Bolivian affiliate, Inti Raymi, Monday announced that it has delineated approximately 4.1 million ounces of proven and probable gold reserves and 26.8 million ounces of silver at its Kori Kollo gold project in Bolivia.

The company holds a 51 percent interest in the project. The new reserves bring the company's total contained proven and probable attributable reserves to approximately 6 million ounces, an increase of about 40 percent compared with year end 1989.

BMG Chairman Karl E. Elers said approximately 55.1 million short tons of mineable sulfide ore and 5.7 million short tons of mineable oxide ore has been identified at Kori Kollo, grading 0.067 ounces per ton gold and 0.44 ounces per ton silver. This represents a significant increase over the company's earlier estimates of commercial mineralization at the property.

About 3 million tons of oxide ore will be processed in the current leach facility prior to start up of a milling operation. The ore body remains open to adding reserves in two lateral directions. Six drill rigs are currently working to define possible extensions of the deposit.

Presently projected recovery values are expected to average 63 percent for

gold and 25 percent for silver. These recoveries reflect the refractory nature of a portion of the sulfide mineralization in which the gold is encapsulated in pyrite. The stripping ratio is expected to be about 1.2:1.

Cash operating costs for the sulfide project are estimated to be less than $180 per ounce. These costs do not include depreciation of capital, interest on financing, royalties or taxes.

Assuming a positive development decision and acceptable financing, construction could begin in the first quarter of 1991, with gold production commencing in late 1992 at an annual rate of approximately 240,000 ounces. BMG's annual share of that production would be approximately 122,000 ounces. The company's share of silver production would be about 315,000 ounces.

Empresa Minera Inti Raymi, S.A., a Bolivian gold mining company in which BMG holds a 51 percent interest, owns and will operate the project. Other owners, in addition to BMG, are Zeland Mines S.A. and Westworld Resources Inc., each of which hold a 24.5 percent interest in the project.

Battle Mountain Gold common stock trades under the symbol BMG on the New York Stock Exchange, the Australian Stock Exchange Limited, the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, the Swiss Stock Exchanges and the Toronto Stock Exchange.

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LINCOLNSHIRE, IL (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Clear Communications Corp. and Verilink Corp. Monday announced an agreement to integrate Verilink T1 CSUs with the Clearview Surveillance System.

The combination provides network managers utilizing Verilink CSUs with a powerful decision support system to monitor and manage the performance of their T1 carriers.

''Network managers are demanding decision support systems that assure the failsafe performance of their carrier-provided T1 facilities,'' stated Guy Hatfield, senior product manager at Verilink.

''The Clearview System's high-level carrier performance management and T1 outage avoidance capabilities, coupled with Verilink's own PC-based ESF CSU element management system, Verinet 2, will enhance customers' ability to control network availability and costs.''

Robert Copithorne, president and chief executive officer of Clear Communications, said that integrating the Clearview System with Verilink CSUs

will extend the company's reach to a significant new set of Fortune 100 customers.

''With the addition of Verilink, Clearview is compatible with a high percentage of the installed base of intelligent CSUs,'' Copithorne stated.

''Verilink CSUs are strategic elements that provide a window into large corporations' mission critical networks for the Clearview System's T1 carrier performance management software.'' Verilink was the pioneer in Extended Superframe Format (ESF) performance management systems, and has the largest installed base of ESF CSUs.

CSUs (Channel Service Units) are located at each end of every T1 link in a wide-area network and collect critical ESF performance data available from common carriers.

The Clearview System is an expert system running on a powerful Sun Microsystems workstation that collects and processes the T1 ESF data supplied by the Verilink CSUs, presenting on-line, real-time performance information about all the carrier-provided links in the network.

Network managers utilize the Clearview System to monitor and compare the performance delivered by multiple T1 carriers, enabling them to manage network costs and productivity, ensuring that carriers deliver agreed upon levels of T1 service.

The Clearview/Verinet 2 system also enables network managers to spot and correct degraded performance or intermittent ''soft'' failures, giving them the unique ability to predict and prevent costly disruptions.

''By linking with Verilink CSUs, Clearview has added a significant dimension to its T1 carrier performance management capabilities for wide-area networks '' Copithorne stated.

Clear Communications Corp. is a telecommunications systems company that provides advanced information management and decision support systems for private corporate networks.

Verilink is a leading manufacturer of customer premise and telco T1 network access and performance monitoring equipment.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Sega of America co-chairmen Hayao Nakayama and David Rosen Monday announced that Thomas J. Kalinske has joined Sega of America as president, chief executive officer and member of the board.

Kalinske was most recently president and chief executive officer of Matchbox International Ltd. and president of Universal Matchbox Group. Prior to that he was president of Mattel Inc. and had worked for 15 years at Mattel.

In making the announcement, Sega Enterprises Ltd. President and Chief Executive Officer Hayao Nakayama, stated: ''With the addition of Mr. Kalinske to Sega, we are reaffirming our commitment to increasing our share of the video game market, and increasing our overall business in the United States. Mr. Kalinske will also investigate new consumer product opportunities for Sega in the U.S.''

Sega of America achieved a 10 percent share of the video game market in 1989, and expects to double its share to 20 percent with the continuing growth of the Sega Genesis video game system in 1990.

Sega Enterprises Ltd./Japan is a 39-year-old worldwide leader in high-tech electronic entertainment systems and toys. Sega, a public company listed on the first section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange, is one of the fastest-growing companies in Japan.

In fiscal 1990, the sales of the Japanese corporation increased over 40 percent to $570 million. Sega is expecting 1991 to be another record year both in sales and profits.

The company conceives, creates and sells electronic entertainment products ranging from coin-operated video arcade machines to home video game hardware, software and toys.

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DALLAS (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - SRX, the Dallas-based manufacturer of premium telecommunications systems and related peripherals, Monday announced the introduction of the company's new System One 4.5 and VisionMS 2.2 releases.

The new products, which contain generic hardware and software enhancements, were developed to specifically provide enhanced capabilities for SRX telecommunications systems.

''Both new releases include a 9-port ground loop start card permitting larger configurations with fewer cabinets and power,'' explained Jim Steenbergen, SRX president and CEO. ''In addition, the 2.2 and 4.5 releases also offer an analog station card with message waiting, which provides visual message waiting indication for 2500-type analog sets.''

The VisionMS 2.2 release boasts a 24-channel T1 card capable of operating in fractional T1 mode (less than 24 ports), and also handles multiple types of trunks with ease. ''With the 2.2 release, we've also created more ACD (Automatic Call Distribution) capabilities for VisionMS telephones, including silent monitoring, supervisor break-in and supervisor alert,'' Steenbergen added.

VisionMS, SRX's next-generation switching platform, was introduced in the first quarter of 1990. Its 576-port architecture represents an extension of tried and proven System One configuration. VisionMS will provide the platform for delivery of E-911, value-added ACD and other call-processing consumer markets.

Introduction of the 2.2 and 4.5 releases follows the second-quarter 1990 debut of SRX's modular new VisionPhone, which allows customers to easily snap in display, speakerphone, expansion and data component modules.

Founded in 1983, privately-owned SRX provides premium telecommunications switching equipment including patented voice and data switching technologies to customers worldwide.

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WARREN, NJ (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer and Optical Data Corp. Monday announced plans to make The Visual Almanac, Apple's interactive mulitmedia toolkit, directly available to educators, developers, enthusiasts, publishers and other interested parties.

Through generous support from Apple, The Visual Almanac can be purchased for just $100 from Optical Data.

The Visual Almanac is the product of two years of research and development at Apple's Multimedia Laboratory. It features dozens of multimedia ''design

examples,'' such as student activities in science, the arts, social studies and mathematics. The Visual Almanac package includes a two-sided videodisc, a CD-ROM with 25 megabytes of HyperCard-based software, and a book, The Companion, that includes general information about multimedia as well as information about the almanac.

''We have already seen teachers' excitement when they start to use The Visual Almanac and discover for themselves how multimedia provides them with new flexibility in the classroom,'' said Kristina Hooper Woolsey, Ph.D., director of Apple's Multimedia Laboratory.

''With the Visual Almanac, teachers and students can easily browse through data, organize it to create meaningful information, and communicate their discoveries in different forms, whether it's a moving picture, graph or speech by a famous person,'' Woolsey added.

The Visual Almanac is an interactive multimedia kit that combines a videodisc and the Macintosh computer with HyperCard. It provides users with a wide range of images and resources including still pictures, short movies and sounds. Each image is attached to descriptive data, which can be modified by the user. Users can browse the images, find the images they want and then use them to make compositions of their own. Also included are activities created in HyperCard to show the potential of multimedia computing in a Macintosh environment. Other examples included are compositions made with The Visual Almanac tools by early almanac users.

To order The Visual Almanac, call Optical Data's Customer Support Line at 800/524-2481.

Optical Data is the leading publisher, producer and distributor of educational video-discs. The company has sold more than 200,000 of its educational and consumer titles in the United States and Japan. Today, 20 percent of the nation's school districts practice videodisc-enhanced instruction with Optical Data products.

For further information, contact Pam Herber or Ingrid Patton at Optical Data Corp., 30 Technology Drive, Warren, N.J. 07059, telephone 908/668-0022 or 800/248-8478, or Mary Fallon at Apple Computer Inc. 20525 Mariani Ave., M/S 36-I, Cupertino, Calif. 95014, telephone 408/974-2941

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PASADENA, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Conversion Industries Inc. (AMEX: CVD) announced Monday it has concluded the acquisition of the Poso Creek McVan Property.

The property has recoverable reserves of 6,500,000 barrels of 13 gravity crude. The company will be producing the field on primary and cycle steaming until a 12 MW cogeneration facility is constructed and expected to begin operating in late 1991.

Initial production is expected to begin at 200 barrels per day and gradually increase to 700 barrels per day over the next six months. Upon completion of the cogeneration facility, production is expected to be in the 1,000 BPD range.

Conversion is in discussions with three parties to joint venture the cogeneration facility. It is anticipated Conversion will retain a 50 percent interest in the Cogen and 100 percent interest in the oil field.

The property has had cumulative production to date of 3,967,000 barrels. Currently there are 82 production wells with related steam generators, tankage and production equipment necessary to operate the field at the rate of 700 to 1,000 BPD.

Terms were set Apr. 9, 1990 and not disclosed at sellers' request.

Conversion Industries Inc. is a fully integrated power production company. In addition, Conversion holds a 52 percent interest in International Colin Energy Corp. (TSE: KCN), a Calgary based oil and gas producer.

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MECHANICSBURG, PA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Medical Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: CONT)(''CMS'') Monday announced that it has signed an agreement to joint venture a $12 million comprehensive regional medical rehabilitation hospital with HCA Wesley Medical Center (''Wesley''), Wichita, Kan.

Plans call for a two-story, 78,925 square foot hospital on a portion of a 12-acre plot of land owned by Wesley. Construction is expected to begin in late fall 1990 with the anticipated opening to occur in the winter of 1991.

The new hospital is to be named HCA Wesley Rehabilitation Hospital and will be operated by CMS. Wesley will close its existing 26-bed cranial-spinal rehabilitation unit and transfer its program to the new hospital. Wesley is the largest hospital in the HCA system and in the state of Kansas with 650

acute care beds, a neonatal unit and more than 3,000 staff and employees.

Continental Medical Systems Inc., the nation's leading independent provider of comprehensive medical rehabilitation with annualized revenues currently exceeding $300 million, operates 14 rehabilitation hospitals and one specialty rehabilitation facility for a system total of 1,022 beds in Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts and Texas. CMS has 11 rehabilitation hospitals under various stages of construction in Arkansas, California, Colorado, Indiana, Tennessee and Texas for a total of 709 additional beds.

Braintree Hospital, also a part of the CMS system, operates 13 outpatient rehabilitation centers and manages two acute care rehabilitation units. CMS supplies physical, occupational and speech therapy services in more than 30 states through its VTA Management Services Inc., New York City; Pro-Therapy of America Inc., Birmingham, Mich.; RehabWorks Inc., Clearwater, Fla. and most recently Communi-Care/Pro-Rehab Inc., Boone, N.C.

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DALLAS (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Serv-Air Inc., an E-Systems company has been awarded a U.S. Army contract valued in excess of $50 million for the continuance of maintenance, fabrication and repair services currently being performed at the Government Owned - Contractor Operated (GOCO) facility at Lexington - Bluegrass Army Depot in Avon and Richmond, Ky.

The GOCO provides support to a variety of military customers, including repair of aircraft communications and navigational equipment, aircraft and shelter modifications, and quick reaction support for Special Operations Forces requirements.

Serv-Air is a recognized leader in aircraft and logistics programs, operations and maintenance services, and communications systems integration, test and repair. With general offices in Greenville, Texas, Serv-Air is staffed with more than 2500 employees at 75 locations worldwide.

E-Systems, (NYSE-ESY), is a major worldwide developer and producer of electronic systems and products in the areas of intelligence, reconnaissance and surveillance systems, command and control, electronic warfare, specialized aircraft maintenance and modification, guidance, navigation and control, communications and data systems.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Monday announced a new product that will let telephone companies give large customers rapid and efficient access to greater bandwidth and new business services.

The BRT-2000 Access Node, the latest generation AT&T business remote terminal, is an important component of AT&T Network Systems' Service Net-2000 architecture because it delivers the bandwidth to provide services such as high-speed data, interactive CAD/CAM, video teleconferencing, and interactive classrooms. It can also support highly reliable, self-healing fiber networks.

As technologies and customers' needs for bandwidth change, the BRT-2000 Access Node will evolve smoothly to provide access to such capabilities as DS1 and DS3 switched services, Switched Multi-megabit Data Service, and broadband ISDN.

This new access node:

-- Allows for such graceful evolution without the need to scrap

today's networks and re-invest in new equipment;

-- Complies with evolving industry standards, including SONET, TR-08, and TR-303, ensuring its ability to operate in multi-vendor environments;

-- Supports both copper and optical fiber transmission media;

-- Gives telephone companies the flexibility to create access nodes comprising the digital loop carrier, multiplexing and switching products that match each customer's particular need, right at the customer's location; and

-- Is available now.

The features of the BRT-2000 Access Node reflect the expressed needs of AT&T Network Systems' customers, a theme of the company's Service Net-2000 architecture.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Network Systems Monday introduced its next generation of SONET-based digital loop carrier systems which will give

telephone companies unprecedented flexibility in providing current and future network services.

The SLCR-2000 Access System, offers immediate full service capability for narrowband and wideband services. In its basic configuration, it supports more services than any other access system available today. For instance, its provides voice and ISDN services, local area switching services (e.g. call waiting, call forwarding, caller ID), multiparty, coin and video services. And its unique architectural platform will allow it to support future services such as broadband ISDN, high definition television (HDTV), Switched Multi-megabit Data Services (SMDS) and Metropolitan Area Networks (MANs). And because the SLC-2000 Access System can evolve to an Access Interface Unit on the 5ESSR-2000 Switch module, it will offer increased services, and cost effective inventory management made possible by the reuse of channel shelves.

Fiber distribution is an integral feature of the SLC-2000 Access System. It allows service providers to begin placing fiber immediately and position themselves to respond to the anticipated broadband service demands in the 1990's. The system also supports copper technology. The SLC-2000 Access System will be generally available in 1992.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Monday introduced an ISDN terminal adapter that is economical to own and operate, easy to upgrade, and is fully compatible with the 5ESS(a) Switch.

The PACKIT/6 ISDN Packet Assembler/Disassembler (PAD) saves money for ISDN data networking users by allowing up to six asynchronous terminals or personal computers to share a single ISDN Basic Rate Interface (BRI) line.

Telephone company customers can use the PACKIT/6 ISDN PAD to lower equipment and usage costs by eliminating the need for separate modems and by allowing multiple terminals to share a single line. The PACKIT/6 ISDN PAD accepts data input from up to six asynchronous terminals, packetizes the data using the X.25 protocol, and then multiplexes these packets of information onto a sixteen Kilobits per second (Kb/s) BRI D-channel.

The PACKIT/6 ISDN PAD supports the Hayes Smartmodem(b) interface for application software such as call control. A separate console port is provided for administration and maintenance. Network management software monitors errors and performance for easier troubleshooting and usage analysis.

Each terminal port operates at rates up to 19.2 Kilobits, and software

upgrades can be quickly downloaded from any IBM-compatible PC through its console port. This makes the PACKIT/6 ISDN PAD readily adaptable to new applications.

The PACKIT/6 ISDN PAD will be distributed through telephone companies, major systems integrators, and by AT&T through its sales force and via a direct number (1-800-432-6600). It will be available for shipment in December, and carries a suggested list price of $1,995.

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NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Telecom (NYSE:NT) Monday announced a five-year agreement to supply the world's largest data transport network to SITA, the air transport industry's global telecommunications organization.

SITA's new network, to be known as ''Mega Transport Network'' (MTN), will consist of more than 300 Northern Telecom DPN-100 digital data network switching nodes, and could be worth up to $50 million.

DPN-100 nodes will be installed in most of the 185 countries and territories where SITA operates, providing a global, X.25 backbone network for more than 400 SITA member companies.

SITA's telecommunications network provides value-added services to the air transport industry, connecting 25,000 airline and air transport offices worldwide, and supporting all industry standards.

MTN will meet international CCITT X.25 packet switching and IBM data communications standards. It will supplement and eventually replace SITA's existing data switching installations.

SITA provides the air transport industry with a broad range of high-quality telecommunications and information processing products. Essential computerized applications are available in the areas of flight operations, passenger and air cargo handling.

To date, more than 400 airlines and air transport related organizations on all continents have chosen SITA's global communications solutions.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1

billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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NORWALK, CT (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Evaluation Associates Inc. (EAI) has announced that an additional investment of $25 million has been made to the Americas Funds Equity Trust, bringing total assets under management to $64 million.

In addition, EAI has added two new managers for the Equity Fund -- Sturdivant & Co. Investment Advisors, located in Camden, N.J. and Philadelphia, Pa. and Valenzuela Capital Management Inc. located in New York City.

Launched on May 9, with initial funding of $40 million, the Americas Funds is a pension trust managed by minority owned investment firms.

Lois Block, EAI's coordinator for the Americas Funds explained that Sturdivant and Valenzuela stood out as emerging firms in the universe of minority investment managers. Together, with the three existing equity managers, these firms offer enhanced diversification.

''Sturdivant is value-oriented, using large cap stocks and structuring diversified portfolios,'' said Block. ''Valenzuela is a 'growth at the right place' manager, using small to medium cap stocks and running a more concentrated portfolio.''

The Americas Funds were launched with Ariel Capital Management Inc., Greaves Capital Management Inc., and Taplin, Canida & Habacht Inc. as the Equity Fund managers, and as Fixed Income for active management. All managers adhere to the South Africa-free guidelines of the Funds.

Evaluation Associates Inc. -- founded in 1969 and acquired by Mutual of New York (MONY) in 1985 -- specializes in investment management, consulting and publishing for pension, endowment and foundation clients. In 1984, EAI started its first multi-manager fund, a commingled employee benefit fund. Today EAI has 18 funds under management with $1.3 billion in assets.

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DFW AIRPORT, TX (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - American Airlines flew 6.2 billion revenue passenger miles in September, up 8.6 percent from a year ago and a record for that month.

The airline flew 10.3 billion seat miles, reflecting an 8.7 percent increase in its capacity since September 1989.

International traffic, which has been strong all year, grew at record levels, with Europe showing a 13.4 percent increase month over month. The European load factor was up substantially from September a year ago and the highest of all international markets since March. European capacity increased 2.7 percent.

''Once again our international routes helped carry the airline,'' said Michael W. Gunn, senior vice president-marketing. ''The September load factor for Central and South America exceeded our expectations.

''And while there was a seasonal decline in the Pacific load factor from August, it was still strong at 70.7 percent,'' Gunn said.

On the domestic front, traffic increased 2.6 percent from 4.8 billion RPMs to 4.9 billion although the load factor decreased from 59.6 percent to 58.8 percent.

Year over year, September was the best month since February, Gunn said. RPMs for the nine-month period were up 4.5 percent from 55.4 billion to 57.9 billion. ASMs jumped 7.1 percent for the same period, from 85.7 billion to 91.8 billion. The load factor fell from 64.6 percent to 63.1 percent.

As for cargo, American flew 66.9 million freight ton miles, up 21.2 percent from 66.9 percent. Year over year, freight ton miles were up 19.9 percent, from 470.3 million to 563.8 million. Mail ton miles rose 8.8 percent, from 19.9 million to 21.6. Year to date, freight ton miles were up 16.4 over 1989, from 170.5 million to 198.5 million.

''Our continuing double-digit growth in a generally flat cargo market reflects the high quality of American's cargo service,'' said William R. Boesch, American's vice president-cargo.

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SIMSBURY, CT (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - ITT Hartford Insurance Group's Hartford Life Insurance Co. subsidiary has purchased an equity interest in Metrocare

National Inc., Portland, Ore., a holding company for several affiliated health care management concerns. For its 15 percent share of Metrocare National, The Hartford will obtain representation on Metrocare's board of directors and involvement in strategic and financial planning. The Hartford also will obtain certain administrative and marketing considerations. Financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Metrocare National Inc., which had revenues of $15 million in 1989, operates seven preferred provider organizations (PPOs) in nine states as well as ValuTrac, a utilization review service headquartered in Portland.

The Hartford currently markets four of Metrocare's Family Health Plan PPOs and has begun marketing ValuTrac as its utilization review service for indemnity health insurance plans nationwide. ''This investment is significant because Metrocare offers unified management of a number of the managed care programs we currently use,'' said Barbara E. Rodin, vice president and director of Hartford Life's Health Care Management Services.

Stephen Gregg, chief operating officer of Metrocare, said the agreement represents a partnership between two companies that believe the best health care service is provided on a locally managed basis.

A preferred provider organization (PPO), such as the Family Health Plan, is a management company that selects physicians, specialists, hospitals and other health care providers who offer their services at reduced fees to their subscribers. The PPO also reviews health care utilization to control services and contain costs. Employers with self-funded or indemnity insurance plans may also contract with a utilization review company, such as ValuTrac, to ensure appropriate and cost-effective medical care.

ITT Hartford Insurance Group, a subsidiary of ITT Corp., is one of the nation's oldest and largest multi-line insurance and financial services operations. The Hartford markets a full line of life, employee benefit and asset management plans, as well as a wide range of property-casualty coverages. Member companies include Hartford Life Insurance Co. and Hartford Life and Accident Insurance Co.

Hartford Life Insurance Co. is a member of ITT Hartford Insurance Group, which is the principal insurance subsidiary of ITT Corp.

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KNOXVILLE, TN (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Philips Consumer Electronics Monday (NYSE:PHG) confirmed that it is developing a Digital Compact Cassette (DCC) system, with the active involvement of a number of major companies from the music and hardware industry.

The system is based on a new revolutionary coding technique. This coding technique, in combination with the existing well-proven compact cassette technology and standard tape, will offer the consumer a sound quality equivalent to that of compact disc.

The new system will allow consumers to play specially designed digital compact cassettes, as well as their traditional compact cassettes on DCC players designed for home, portable and in-car use.

The DCC product range is expected to be introduced at the beginning of 1992.

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EAST HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - TRC Cos. Inc. (AMEX:TRR) announced Monday that the State of Wisconsin investment board has increased it ownership in the company to 476,000 shares or 8.9 percent from 420,000 shares or 7.8 percent.

TRC Cos. Inc. and its engineering and instrument subsidiaries, serve, clients from 14 offices throughout the United States.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Computer Communications (ACC) Monday announced it is developing an unshielded twisted pair (10BaseT) interface for its Series 4000 bridge/router products based on the newly approved IEEE specifications.

The company is also participating in the 10BaseT demonstration being staged at Booth No. 1534 during the Interop '90 Exposition in San Jose, Calif., Oct. 10-12.

The IEEE approved the 802.3 10BaseT standard for unshielded twisted pair

wiring on Sept. 28.

10BaseT offers a low cost alternative to other coaxial systems. Operating at 10Mbps, the LAN system uses unshielded twisted pair phone wire in a star-configuration to reduce the cost of LAN installation and maintenance.

At the Interop 10BaseT demonstration booth, ACC's ACS 4100 bridge/routers will simulate remote links as they connect two networks. Using the high-speed unshielded twisted pair standard, each network is comprised of computer equipment from vendors such as Digital Equipment Corp., Advanced Micro Devices and Ungermann-Bass.

The ACS 4100 is a member of ACC's Series 4000 line of adaptable bridge/router products that support IEEE 802.2 Ethernet standards as well as the recently approved 802.3 Unshielded Twisted Pair standard.

Series 4000 products can be programmed to perform a variety of internetworking functions. All bridge and router capabilities are provided for one low price, according to Gary Krall. Software is included with each hardware platform allowing users to employ those bridging and routing functions needed.

Since its incorporation in 1975, ACC has been developing and manufacturing data communications hardware and software products that focus on customer needs. Its internetworking products were introduced in 1988.

Since that time, ACC has become a market leader in the remote bridge/router and network management arena. Worldwide, ACC products are connecting local and wide-area networks in government and commercial industries.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Patrick H. Thomas, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of First Financial Management Corp. (NYSE:FFM) Monday announced that FFMC, through its subsidiary MicroBilt Corp., has entered into a major system contract for hardware, software and ongoing support with Ryder Truck Rental Inc. to provide a nationwide automated system for Ryder's U.S. One Way Truck Rental operations.

Ryder currently has over 4,500 independent truck rental dealers and is the world's largest full service truck leasing and rental company. This new system provides Ryder with totally automated reservations, tracking of fleet location and availability, and related financial and operating functions.

David J. Cotcher, president and chief operating officer of MicroBilt said,

''The contract with Ryder will facilitate the continued success and growth in market share of Ryder by providing enhanced customer service and more effective utilization of Ryder's vast rental fleet. This system is another example of how MicroBilt provides creative solutions to specific customer needs.

''The MicroBilt system will significantly improve Ryder's ability to track its revenue generating trucks to optimize rental availability. The system prepares the rental documents from information obtained at the time of initial reservations, creating efficiency for both the dealer and the customer. At destination, the system automatically notifies Ryder of the location and availability of the vehicle for future rental activity.''

Jerry Riordan, Ryder Truck Rental's senior vice president - Rental and Quality said, ''The new system will significantly increase utilization of vehicles, while improving customer service and productivity. It will truly differentiate Ryder in the truck rental industry.''

Thomas also announced the acquisition by MicroBilt of substantially all operating assets of Post-Tron Systems Corp., including its integrated point-of-sale systems. Post-Tron represents a well-recognized name in integrated point-of-sale systems for the specialty retail market and thier products and services will continue to be offered to retail chains previously served by Post-Tron.

MicroBilt will integrate the Post-Tron computer-based systems into its product offerings for the retail industry, which also includes the convenience store and specialty restaurant markets.

FFMC is an information services company which offers a broad range of data processing and related services to a large and diverse customer base. The company provides products and services to financial institutions, retail merchants, governments and other industries. It is a leader in financial institutions processing, data imaging, micrographics, electronic data base services, debt collection, and health and pharmaceutical claims processing and is one of the largest merchant credit card processors in the country.

FFMC also owns Georgia Federal Bank FSB, the largest savings institution and one of the largest retail banks based in Georgia, and its subsidiary, First Family Financial Services, a major regional consumer finance company. Its common stock is currently traded on the NYSE under the symbol FFM. Its debentures are quoted through NASDAQ under the symbol FFMCG.

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COLLEGE PARK, GA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantic Southeast Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ASAI) flew 33.8 million revenue passenger miles during September 1990, a 1.5 percent decrease from the like period last year, according to John W. Beiser, a senior vice president for the Atlanta-based airline.

ASA's load factor was 47.2 percent, compared with 50.5 percent during September 1989.

Available seat miles increased to 71.6 million from 68.0 million, for a 5.3 percent increase.

The company enplaned 159,316 passengers during September, compared with 164,896 passengers for the previous September.

On a year-to-date basis, ASA carried 1,522,677 passengers compared with 1,485,298 during 1989, a 2.5 percent increase. Revenue passenger miles totaled 323.7 million, compared with 304.9 million, for a 6.2 percent increase. Available seat miles increased 8.8 percent from 584.9 million to 636.2 million. The load factor on a year-to-date basis was 50.9 percent, compared with 52.1 percent during the previous year.

Atlantic Southeast Airlines Inc. is Atlanta's largest regional air carrier, and now offers service to 15 cities from a second hub in Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas.

Atlantic Southeast Airlines
Traffic Results

	Month Ended Sept. 30,		
	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Passengers	159,316	164,896	-3.4
Revenue passenger miles	33,815,055	34,345,754	-1.5
Available seat miles	71,621,439	68,019,732	5.3
Load factor	47.2 pct	50.5 pct	-3.3pts.

	Nine Months Year-to-Date		
	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Passengers	1,522,677	1,485,298	2.5
Revenue passenger miles	323,720,038	304,921,618	6.2
Available seat miles	636,202,015	584,922,221	8.8
Load factor	50.9 pct	52.1 pct	-1.2pts.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Anacomp Inc. (NYSE:AAC) and Fuji Photo Film U.S.A. (NASDAQ:FUJIY) have announced an ''OEM'' original equipment manufacturing sales agreement valued in excess of $4 million over the next two years.

The agreement between the two leaders in information and image management calls for Anacomp to provide a specific line of diazo and vesicular film, which Fuji will market under various Fuji brand names.

Anacomp is providing sign-maintaining, medium- and high-contrast, medium- and high-speed, black- and blue-diazo film used for duplication of source document microfilm images. Its lower contrast helps duplicate poor quality originals, and the film has superior reader-printer fade resistance.

Additionally, Anacomp will supply Fuji with sign-reversing medium- and high-speed, extremely high resolution, extremely high contrast vesicular print film used for duplication of conventional wet process computer output microfilm (COM) masters. It features the industry's highest possible contrast resulting in better copies, superior fade resistance and sharper, more legible duplicates.

''Fuji is a company that demands the highest standard in product quality, and this alliance speaks very well for Anacomp's abilities as a quality, cost-effective manufacturer,'' said J. Mark Woods, chief operating officer for Anacomp.

Jeff Tuomi, vice president for Anacomp's Worldwide OEM Division added that the relationship reinforces his belief that strategic agreements of this type serve the interests of customers and companies alike.

''We are pleased that another giant in the information processing industry like Fuji has chosen Anacomp as a strategic partner,'' said Tuomi. ''These business arrangements allow each company to focus on what it does best and keep overall manufacturing costs down. Conventional wisdom tells you the residuals make the client the biggest winner.''

Anacomp Inc. is the world's leading full service provider of micrographics services, systems and supplies. Anacomp's customers include banks and other financial institutions, large government and industrial users and a variety of other businesses around the world.

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#90281b0836 10/08/1990 ~Business Wire

BURLINGTON, MA (OCT. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - J.P. Barger, president and chief executive officer of Dynatech Corp. (NASDAQ symbol:DYTC), announced that the company expects to report record sales of $125 million for the second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 23 percent rise from the same period a year ago.

Incoming orders were strong and backlog was at a record level at Sept 30, 1990.

''The sales growth compared to a year ago spanned U.S. and international operations, and was evident across many of our product lines, including radar detector, medical and diagnostic, telecommunications and automotive test, and specialty electronics and software products. We are gratified by these results which will enable us to report our sixth annual sequential quarter of healthy earnings increases, after providing for certain nonrecurring litigation and product line liquidation costs,'' Barger said.

''As we continue toward the completion of a 3 million share buy-back program, we are keeping a close eye on order patterns given the current economic climate,'' Barger added. ''Our diverse base of products and technologies underlie our confidence in the long-term prospects for Dynatech.''

The company's final results for the second period are scheduled for release on Tuesday, Oct. 23, 1990.

With fiscal 1990 sales of $433 million, Dynatech Corp. is a diversified supplier of high-technology products and systems used in the collection, processing, analysis, and display of information. Headquartered in Burlington, Mass., Dynatech sells its products worldwide through subsidiaries located throughout North America, Europe and Asia.

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#90281c0002 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 5 due to insufficient No. of active market makers:

Best Energy Systems Inc. (BENGF)
Teltronics Inc. - Wts 1990 (TELTW)

VHC Ltd. (VHCL) was deleted from NASDAQ effective Oct. 4. It was acquired by a private investor.

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#90281c0003 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 5:

The Hitech Engineering Co. Inc. (THEXQ) to (THEQE)

Home Federal S&L Assn. of the Rockies (HROK) to Home Federal Savings Bank (Fort Collins, Colorado) (HROK)

ProBac International Corp. (PBAC) to (PBACE)
Sherwood Corp. (SHRW) to (SHRWE)
Television Technology Corp. (TVTKC) to (TVTK)

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#90281c0004 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Short Takes Inc.(TICKER: STAK) lost $424,157, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $73,523 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $293,380, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $11,286 for the same period in 1989.

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#90281c0005 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Jackson County Federal Bank(TICKER: JCFS) earned $1.40 million, or $1.65 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $594,000, or $0.70 per share, for the six-month period ended June 30, 1989.

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#90281c0006 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - ECC Group plc filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating ECC Group's (TICKER: ECLAY) industrial minerals subsidiary, ECC International Ltd.(TICKER: ECC), has undertaken a review of its business cost base in order to ensure its competitiveness in the world markets it serves.

As a result, on Sept. 28, 1990 ECC International advised its employees and unions that some 750 jobs will go in Devon and Cornwall over the next five

months.

ECC Group reports the review is one of a number of measures which will continue to tackle cost structures, strengthen the company's world reserves of industrial minerals, enable increased penetration of wider geographical markets and conserve cash resources.

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#90281c0008 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Tubby's Inc.(TICKER: TUBY) lost $28,629, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $699,368 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $29,781, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $454,535 for the same period in 1989.

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#90281c0009 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - Thomson-CSF (TICKER: TCSF) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it earned 1.07 billion French francs on revenues of 17.36 billion francs for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of 1.50 billion francs on revenues of 14.54 billion francs for the same period in 1989.

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#90281c0010 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:43 that trade in American Building Maintenance Industries Inc.(NASDAQ: ABM) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The company is listed on the NYSE.

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#90281c0011 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in American Building Maintenance Industries Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ABM. Trading was resumed at 10:00.

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#90281c0012 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

P. KRILE OWNS 207,500 SHARES (5.00%) OF GEORESOURCES INC (TICKER: GEOI).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90281c0013 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY W.J. ROUHANA JR OWNS 5,322,000 SHARES (17.40%) OF AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP (TICKER: AIPN) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the Jaffee agreement, WinStar Partners sold to Steven Jaffe, an employee of WinStar Services Inc., a 2.5 percent interest in an option to buy a warrant to purchase up to 500,000 shares of common stock at $1.25 per share; and warrants to purchase up to 37,500 shares, 30,000 shares, and 12,500 shares of AIPC common stock at prices of $1, $1.25, and $2.50 per share, respectively. The purchase price was $60,000. Mr. Jaffee cannot exercise his 2.5 percent interest unless WinStar Oil Partners has exercised its rights under the actual option.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 27, 1990, WinStar Partners transferred 598,000 shares of AIPC common stock to WinStar Corp. at a price of $.81 per share, for an aggregate price of $485,875.

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#90281c0014 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY PLACER DOME INC OF VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA OWNS 3,062,282 SHARES (34.40%) OF CONTINENTAL GOLD CORP (TICKER: CNTV) OF VANCOUVER, BC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Oct. 5, 1990, Placer Dome Inc. issued a notice of change and variation concerning its offer to purchase any and all of the

outstanding common shares of Continental Gold Corp. The notice provides that the separate offers by Placer Dome and its wholly-owned subsidiary are combined into a single joint offer in order to avoid potential adverse tax consequences to Placer Dome. The notice of change and variation is being mailed to all shareholders of Continental on Oct. 5, 1990.

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#90281c0017 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY ALPINE ASSOCIATES A LP OWNS 251,900 SHARES (4.70%) OF MILTON ROY CO (TICKER: MRC) OF PETERSBURG, FL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Since Aug. 4, 1990, Partnership has purchased a total of 151,900 shares at a price of $25 to $26.88 per share and ZH Associates has purchased 11,900 shares at $25 to $26.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90281c0018 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY INTEGRA FINANCIAL CORP OF PITTSBURGH, PA OWNS 116,801 SHARES (5.00%) OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP (TICKER: FNPC) OF MEADVILLE, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Medium to long term investment.

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#90281c0019 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY BAUPOST LP 1983 A-1 OF CAMBRIDGE, MA OWNS 1,176,300 SHARES (6.50%) OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC (TICKER: HENP) OF HAMPTON, NH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 12, 1990 and Oct. 1, 1990 Baupost LP 1983 A-1 purchased 590,000 shares at $3.13 to $4.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90281c0020 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

TELE-COMMUNICATIONS INC OF DENVER, CO OWNS 2,024,063 SHARES (8.68%) OF INTERNATIONAL CABLECASTING TECHNOLOGIE (TICKER: TUNE) OF BEVERLY HILLS, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In early 1990 Tele-communications Inc. announced plans to distribute a new company to its shareholders consisting of certain of Tele-communications Inc.'s programming interests, cable television assets and other operating interests. The interests include the stock of International Cablecasting Technologie. Tele-communications Inc. has further announced that it was effecting the distribution by means of a rights offering.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90281c0021 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY R. EDWARD W III OF GROUP LED BY DALLAS, TX OWNS 64,850 SHARES (1.10%) OF LODGISTIX INC (TICKER: LDGX) OF WICHITA, KS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 21, 1990 R. Edward W III entered into an agreement under which 1 million shares of Lodgistix Inc. common stock would be sold to Bernie Mantel. The sale of the 1 million shares was consummated on Sept. 27, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 27, 1990 R. Edward W III sold 1 million shares at $.45 per share.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares

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#90281c0022 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY J.F. BRADWAY JR OF WEST PALM BEACH, FL OWNS 690,215 SHARES (100.00%) OF VHC LTD (TICKER: VHCL) OF WEST PALM BEACH, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 2, 1990 a plan and agreement of reorganization was approved by VHC LTD under which VHC Acquisition and two VHC LTD subsidiaries were merged with and into VHC LTD. On Oct. 4, 1990 the merger was completed resulting in VHC LTD becoming a wholly owned subsidiary of VHC Acquisition.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 18, 1990 Bradway purchased 4,000 shares at $5.75 per share. On Oct. 1 1990 VHC Acquisition purchased 690,215 shares from Bradway at $5.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares.

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#90281c0023 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC OWNS 5,215,330 SHARES (5.07%) OF WHITMAN CORP (TICKER: WH) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

From Aug. 3 to Sept. 3, 1990, Gabelli Funds Inc. purchased 812,000 shares and sold 325,270 shares for $17.25 to $24.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

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#90281c0025 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY TNI INC OWNS 5,111,200 SHARES (100.00%) OF NASTA INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: NAS) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The offer expired on Oct. 3, 1990 with 1,105,469 common shares were tendered, giving TNI Inc. 95.8 percent, which becomes 100 percent due to TNI's ability to effect a short form merger.

PURPOSE:

Merger.

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#90281c0026 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY TNI INC OWNS 5,111,200 SHARES (100.00%) OF NASTA INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: NAS) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The offer expired on Oct. 3, 1990 with 1,105,469 common shares were tendered,

giving TNI Inc. 95.8 percent, which becomes 100 percent due to TNI's ability to effect a short form merger.

PURPOSE:

Merger.

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#90281c0027 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

A. PETROSKI OF FOLCROFT, PA OWNS 7,260,000 SHARES (21.00%) OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP INC (TICKER: NEG) OF FOLCROFT, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an exchange offer, A. Petroski exchanged on June 29, 1990 a $500,000 subordinated note of NERI Leasing Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of National Environmental Group Inc., 46,000 series A preferred shares of National Environmental Group Inc. and 2,000 series A preferred shares of NERI for 1,260,000 common shares and 300,000 cumulative convertible preferred shares.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 778
#90281c0028 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

A. PETROSKI OF FOLCROFT, PA OWNS 300,000 SHARES (26.10%) OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP INC (TICKER: NEG) OF FOLCROFT, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an exchange offer, A. Petroski exchanged on June 29, 1990 a $500,000 subordinated note of NERI Leasing Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of National Environmental Group Inc., 46,000 series A preferred shares of National Environmental Group Inc. and 2,000 series A preferred shares of NERI for 1,260,000 common shares and 300,000 cumulative convertible preferred shares.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90281c0029 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

HALLIBURTON CO OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 800,000 SHARES (17.50%) OF SCIENTIFIC SOFTWARE INTERCOMP INC (TICKER: SSFT) OF DENVER, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As previously reported, Halliburton Co. acquired the shares in connection with an operating agreement with Scientific Software Intercomp Inc. in which the two firms will jointly develop three computer based tools for use in the petroleum industry. On Sept. 24, 1990, Halliburton Co. paid $1 million for a zero coupon exchangeable convertible subordinated debenture, which is exchangeable for 200,000 additional preferred shares, which in turn in convertible into 200,000 common shares.

PURPOSE:

Operating agreement.

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#90281c0030 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 8) COMTEX - Chapel Hill, N.C.-based Investors Title Co. (TICKER: ITIC) has acquired two Chapel Hill office buildings from Security Building Co. for $1.6 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 5, 1990.

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#90281c0031 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

NCR CORP OWNS 4,231,789 SHARES (13.25%) OF MICROSCIENCE CORP(MIRC) OF ATLANTA,

GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 28, 1990, NCR Corp. became entitled to receive an additional 2,877,989 shares pursuant to a plan of reorganization due to NCR's status as an unsecured creditor of Microscience Corp.

PURPOSE:

To obtain equity position for investment.

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#90281c0033 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

UPDYKE ASSOCIATES OF HATBORO, PA OWNS 591,700 SHARES (16.40%) OF UNITED SERVICES ADVISORS INC (TICKER: USVS) OF SAN ANTONIO, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Updyke Associates purchased 70,500 shares from Sept. 20-26, 1990 for $1.74 to $1.75 per share.

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#90281c0034 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

J.D. KRAFCHUK OWNS 555,761 SHARES (66.00%) OF DOAK PHARMACAL CO INC (TICKER: DOAK) OF WESTBURY, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Apr. 17, 1990, J.D. Krafchuk received 7,678 shares in payment of $9,598 of accrued interest on $235,000 in convertible debentures. On Aug. 17, 1990, J.D. Krafchuk purchased 6,000 shares for $.95 per share.

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#90281c0035 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The company and its representatives have provided certain information to the purchaser pursuant to its confidentiality agreement.

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#90281c0039 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - FirstSouth Bancorp Inc. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 460,000 shares of its common stock.

The shares are to be offered in connection with the conversion of FirstSouth Savings Assn. from mutual to stock form and the simultaneous issuance of all the association's common stock to FirstSouth Bancorp, the holding company.

The offering price is $10.00 per share.

FirstSouth Bancorp's executive office is located at 1712 East Carson Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15203 and its telephone number is (412) 381-8000.

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#90281c0040 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Racing Corporation of America lost $3.06 million, or $1.14 per share, on revenues of $2.52 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $792,167, or $0.43 per share, on revenues of $1.92 million in fiscal 1989.

The company's executive office is located at 3380 Paris Pike, Lexington, Kentucky 40511 and its telephone number is (606) 293-1853.

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#90281c0041 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Cine-Source Inc.(TICKER: FILM) lost $105,540, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $20,000 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $20,229, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $96,000 for the same period in 1989.

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#90281c0042 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that Otra Securities Group Inc.(TICKER: OSGI) has acquired Houlihan Dorton Jones Nicolatus & Stuart Inc. (HDJNS), a member of Houihan Valuation Advisors (HVA).

HVA is primarily engaged in providing business valuation services, business planning, and economic loss analysis services.

HDJNS will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Otra Securities.

HDJNS was acquired in a stock exchange wherein Otra Securities acquired all of the issued and outstanding stock of HDJNS and the individual shareholders of HDJNS will receive an aggregate of 250,000 shares of existing common stock of Otra Securities , restricted under Rule 144.

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#90281c0044 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Grudge Music Group Inc.(TICKER: GRGE) lost $531,036, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $103,779 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $92,915, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $408,444 for the same period in 1989.

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#90281c0045 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Manitowoc Co. Inc.(TICKER: MANT) earned $21.03 million, or $2.04 per share, on revenues of $225.83 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $16.90 million, or $1.64 per share, on revenues of $200.60 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90281c0046 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 5) UPI - When Elvis Presley swiveled his hips on national television, some Americans gasped. When John Lennon suggested the Beatles were bigger than Jesus Christ, some Americans burned records by the Fab Four.

The music industry has had its share of controversies over the years, with assorted allegations of offensive antics, lyrics and lifestyles of some recording stars. But the musicians, both naughty and not, and those who sold their records traditionally have been insulated from legal consequences

stemming from the music itself.

The tune has changed as a result of legal actions in Florida.

In Fort Lauderdale, a jury convicted a record store owner on misdemeanor obscenity charges for selling an album by the controversial rap group 2 Live Crew, whose album, ''As Nasty as They Wanna Be,'' had been ruled ''obscene'' by a federal court judge in June.

The cases have sent shock waves through the music industry, with accusations of censorship and predictions of a chilling effect on those who write, perform and sell music.

''It's a sad state of affairs when you can be arrested for selling a song,'' said Dana Kornbluth, spokeswoman for National Association of Recording Merchandisers, the trade group representing some 600 record distributors.

''Retailers will have to take a second look at what they are carrying, out of fear,'' Kornbluth said, adding that some scared record store owners might ''go through their shelves and start pulling albums that may fall under obscenity statutues.''

There appears to be a national trend toward cracking down on stores stocking ''obscene'' albums - police in more than a dozen states reportedly are warning against the sale of such records. The outcome of an appeal of the Florida case could set the tone for the rest of the country and industry groups are hoping the conviction is overturned to nip the trend in the bud.

''People are looking for scapegoats for the ills of society and they're looking to the arts,'' Trish Heimers, spokeswoman for the Recording Industry Association of America. RIAA represents 55 U.S. record companies, including the CBS, Polygram, Warner Brothers, MCA, Capitol and Atlantic labels.

Heimers pointed to the obscenity trial of a Cincinnati museum and its director over the display of five specific photographs in a show of 175 pictures by the late Robert Mapplethorpe that depict sadomasochistic homosexual acts and children with their genitals exposed.

''We're going to see legislators and judges and district attorneys begin to believe that a little bit of censorship is OK,'' Heimers said. ''And the fact of the matter is that in a free society no censorship is OK.''

Charles Freeman, owner of E.C. Records in Fort Lauderdale, was convicted Oct. 3 of one count of selling an obscene instrument for selling the ''Nasty'' album to an undercover Broward County sheriff's deputy. Freeman, who faces up to one year in jail and a $1,000 fine when sentenced set Nov. 2, was arrested two days after U.S. District Judge Jose Gonzalez declared the 2 Live Crew recording obscene.

The Freeman jury was not swayed by defense arguments the store owner was protected by constitutional guarantees of free speech. The prosecution argued the right to free speech is not absolute and requires ''responsibility.''

The Miami-based 2 Live Crew, which has its day in court this week regarding June's obscenity ruling, features coarse language and lewd rhymes about sexual intercourse and oral and anal sex in its music.

The Supreme Court has established a three-pronged standard for judging obscenity: if the material appeals primarily to prurient interest, if community standards deem the material patently obscene, and if the material lacks serious artistic, literary or scientific value.

Michael Greene, president of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences, which includes some 8,000 recording artists and technical experts, said he expects artists to fight back hard against censorship.

''Artists are generally rebellious and issue-driven and they haven't had a good fight since the Vietnam War,'' Greene said.

Greene agreed some record store owners might be cowed by the controversy. He also suggested the promise of notoriety and fame by being deemed ''obscene'' could encourage some artists to tread closer to obscenity.

''We certainly don't want the censorship debate to be a safe haven for gay-bashing, misogynist opportunists who are doing what they are doing for no other reasons than monetary gain,'' Greene said. ''That turns the whole issue of freedom of expression into a charade.''

''It's regrettable that this war has to be waged around a group like 2 Live Crew,'' Greene added. ''It would be much easier if it would be waged around a group that is saying some politically unsettling things or at least something which had a socioeconomic bent to it. But we're never afforded the opportunity of choosing our battlefields when it comes to censorship issues.''

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#90281c0047 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Urcarco (TICKER: CARS) earned $15.80 million, or $0.68 per share, on revenues of $150.42 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $2.89 million, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $38.37 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90281c0048 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 20, 1990, American Capital & Research Corp.(TICKER: ACRC) purchased all of the issued and outstanding capital stock of Primark Capital Group Inc. from Primark Corp.(TICKER: ACC), the sole shareholder of Primark Capital.

Following the purchase, American Capital changed the name of Primark Capital to Health & Sciences Network Inc.

American Capital paid $1 million in cash and issued 500,000 shares of its Class A common stock to Primark Corp. in the transaction.

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#90281c0049 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Montana Precision Mining Ltd.(TICKER: MPML) is offering 1 million shares of convertible common stock, with conversion rights to two additional shares of common stock which will be registered after a two-year period.

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#90281c0050 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - Giant Bay Resources Ltd.(TICKER: GBYL) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD announcing on Sept. 25, 1990 it completed the 100 percent purchase of Giant Bay (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd, formerly called Techlines Corp. Sdn Bhd.

Giant Bay Malaysia's sole asset is 161 acres of prime residential and commercial land surrounding the SamaWorld Theme Park and Destination Resort, immediately adjacent to the Genting Casino and Resort in Genting, Highlands, Malaysia, 45 minutes by highway from the capital city of Kuala Lumpur.

Giant Bay Malaysia is proceeding with the development and sale of 283 exclusive bungalow lots, resort apartments and luxury condominiums.

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#90281c0052 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Nycal Corp.(TICKER: NYCL) lost $737,698, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $537,013 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.22 million, or $0.69 per share, on revenues of $512,777 in fiscal 1989.

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#90281c0053 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Joy Technologies Inc.(TICKER: JOTI) earned $2.07 million, but lost $0.83 per share after preferred dividend requirements, on revenues of $151.07 million for the quarter ended Aug. 24, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $3.76 million, or $6.49 per share, on revenues of $128.65 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90281c0054 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, E.W. BATCHELOR, DIR. OF CENTURY FINANCIAL CORP.(PA) BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90281c0055 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, E.W. BATCHELOR, DIR. OF CENTURY FINANCIAL CORP.(PA) BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90281c0056 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, E.W. BATCHELOR, DIR. OF CENTURY FINANCIAL CORP.(PA) BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,654.

-30- 310
#90281c0057 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, F. MCCARL JR, CHAIRMAN OF CENTURY FINANCIAL CORP.(PA) BOUGHT 1,322 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,912.

-30- 313
#90281c0058 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, G.L. OBER, VP OF DAVEY TREE EXPERT CO. SOLD 1,250 SHARES AT $19.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,675.

-30- 291
#90281c0060 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 30, 1990, R.H. STEWART JR, DIR. OF DROVERS BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90281c0061 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, H. WIMMER, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCE BANCORP INC.(KY) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,820.

-30- 312
#90281c0062 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, H.C. GAYMAN, DIR. OF TOWER BANCORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,135.

-30- 299
#90281c0063 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 18, 1990, W.K. HOLMES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: DYCO), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $18.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 211,873.

-30- 331
#90281c0064 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, J. LATSHAW, CHAIRMAN OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: LAT) BOUGHT 19,721 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90281c0065 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, J. LATSHAW, CHAIRMAN OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC.

(TICKER: LAT) BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $13.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90281c0066 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 19, 1990, J. LATSHAW, CHAIRMAN OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: LAT) BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $13.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90281c0068 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, F.A. VIERRA, PRES. OF UNITED ARTISTS COMMUNICATIONS INC. SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90281c0069 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, F.A. VIERRA, PRES. OF UNITED ARTISTS COMMUNICATIONS INC. SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90281c0070 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, F.A. VIERRA, PRES. OF UNITED ARTISTS COMMUNICATIONS INC. SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 156,174.

-30- 331
#90281c0071 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, M.R. MCCLURG, CHAIRMAN OF VANTAGE POINT ENERGY INC. (TICKER: VPEI), BOUGHT 4,820 SHARES AT $3.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,360.

-30- 335
#90281c0072 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, J.H. MOORE, DIR. OF VANTAGE POINT ENERGY INC. (TICKER: VPEI), BOUGHT 6,492 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,492.

-30- 322
#90281c0073 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, L.D. HARTZOG, DIR. OF WOODS INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: WINV) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,707.

-30- 309
#90281c0074 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, E.M. EDWARDS, VP OF COMMERCE GROUP INC. (MA) (TICKER: CGCO) SOLD 500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,315.

-30- 312
#90281c0076 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, G. FELS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP INC.(MA) (TICKER: CGCO) BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90281c0077 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, G. FELS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP CORP.(MA) (TICKER: CGCO) SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,689.

-30- 335
#90281c0078 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, S.M. PATEL, DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP CORP.(MA) (TICKER: CGCO) SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,623.

-30- 314
#90281c0079 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, S.M. PATEL, DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP CORP.(MA) (TICKER: CGCO) BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90281c0080 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, S.M. PATEL, DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP CORP. (MA) (TICKER: CGCO) SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,826.

-30- 318
#90281c0081 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 26, 1990, S.M. PATEL, DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP CORP.(MA) (TICKER: CGCO) SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90281c0082 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 1, 1990, A.J. REMILLARD JR, PRES. OF COMMERCE GROUP CORP. (MA) (TICKER: CGCO) SOLD 9,873 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 207,305.

-30- 329
#90281c0084 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, BRENDA J JAECK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ABOVE TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: ABVE), SOLD 1,200,000 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90281c0085 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ROBERT F RAFFERTY, SHAREHOLDER OF ABOVE TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: ABVE), SOLD 1,200,000 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90281c0086 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, STANLEY A KAPLAN, DIR. OF AB HOLDING GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGBG), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 245,157.

-30- 324
#90281c0087 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, HERBERT KELLERT CUMMINGS, DIR. OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90281c0088 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, HERBERT KELLERT CUMMINGS, DIR. OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,800.

-30- 308
#90281c0089 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, WILLIAM S GOLDBERG, DIR. OF AMERICAN MEDICAL HLDGS INC. (TICKER: AMI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90281c0090 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, WILLIAM S GOLDBERG, DIR. OF AMERICAN MEDICAL HLDGS INC. (TICKER: AMI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90281c0092 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 04, 1990, WILLIAM S GOLDBERG, DIR. OF AMERICAN MEDICAL HLDGS INC. (TICKER: AMI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 337
#90281c0093 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, WILLIAM C MILLER, SHAREHOLDER OF AURORA ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: AURE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90281c0094 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WILLIAM C MILLER, SHAREHOLDER OF AURORA ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: AURE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 811,470.

-30- 343
#90281c0095 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLIAM G BARES, DIR. OF BEARINGS INC. (TICKER: BER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 302
#90281c0096 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, RUSSEL B EVERY, DIR. OF BEARINGS INC. (TICKER: BER), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90281c0097 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, RUSSEL B EVERY, DIR. OF BEARINGS INC. (TICKER: BER), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 295
#90281c0098 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GEORGE L LAMORE, CHAIRMAN OF BEARINGS INC. (TICKER: BER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,296.

-30- 312
#90281c0100 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $33.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90281c0101 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90281c0102 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90281c0103 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90281c0104 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 285

#90281c0105 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90281c0106 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 535,668.

-30- 322
#90281c0108 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, VERNON D KALKMAN, PRES. OF BTR REALTY INC. (TICKER: BTRI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 98,600.

-30- 312
#90281c0109 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RODNEY B TIBBATTS, PRES. OF COMMERCIAL BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: CBOR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90281c0110 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, RODNEY B TIBBATTS, PRES. OF COMMERCIAL BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: CBOR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90281c0111 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RODNEY B TIBBATTS, PRES. OF COMMERCIAL BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: CBOR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 508.

-30- 327
#90281c0112 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 21, 1990, DAVIS IAN G MCNAUGHT, VP OF COMSHARE INC. (TICKER: CSRE), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $42.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90281c0113 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 21, 1990, DAVIS IAN G MCNAUGHT, VP OF COMSHARE INC. (TICKER: CSRE), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $42.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90281c0114 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 21, 1990, DAVIS IAN G MCNAUGHT, VP OF COMSHARE INC. (TICKER: CSRE), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $42.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90281c0116 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 22, 1990, DAVIS IAN G MCNAUGHT, VP OF COMSHARE INC. (TICKER: CSRE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $41.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90281c0117 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 22, 1990, DAVIS IAN G MCNAUGHT, VP OF COMSHARE INC. (TICKER: CSRE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $41.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,855.

-30- 309
#90281c0118 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, CHARLES G BETTY, PRES. OF DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS ASSOC.

INC. (TICKER: DCA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 349
#90281c0119 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, RUSSELL E TEASDALE, VP OF DDI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: DDIX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90281c0120 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, RUSSELL E TEASDALE, VP OF DDI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: DDIX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 326
#90281c0121 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RULE INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DATAMARINE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DMAR), BOUGHT 7,080 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 171,983.

-30- 338
#90281c0122 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOHN D SANDERS, DIR. OF DATA MEASUREMENT CORP. (TICKER: DMCB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,456.

-30- 319
#90281c0124 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ROGER D STERN, PRES. OF DEL-VAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVL), BOUGHT 1,565 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,065.

-30- 322
#90281c0125 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, THRIFT SVGS ESOT FMC, BEN. OWNER OF FMC CORP. (TICKER: FMC), SOLD 8,200 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90281c0126 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, THRIFT SVGS ESOT FMC, BEN. OWNER OF FMC CORP. (TICKER: FMC), SOLD 5,635 SHARES AT $34.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,583,039.

-30- 313
#90281c0127 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JACK A SWEENEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST REGIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FRGB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90281c0128 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, JACK A SWEENEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST REGIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FRGB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90281c0129 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JACK A SWEENEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST REGIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FRGB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,900.

-30- 379
#90281c0130 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CYPRESS FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF FRISCH'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FRS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $20.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90281c0132 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, H PAUL LANZILLOTA, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST VIRGINIA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FVB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,726.

-30- 345
#90281c0133 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, WILLIAM G MOORE JR, DIR. OF GENESCO INC. (TICKER: GCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,750.

-30- 300
#90281c0134 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PETER S LYNCH, DIR. OF GRACE (W.R.) & CO. (TICKER: GRA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $22.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 308
#90281c0135 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, THOMAS J NOLAN, VP OF HAKO MINUTEMAN INC. (TICKER: HAKO), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90281c0136 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, THOMAS J NOLAN, VP OF HAKO MINUTEMAN INC. (TICKER: HAKO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 311
#90281c0137 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, STUART KAUFMAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHINFUSION INC. (TICKER: HINF), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 359
#90281c0138 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DAVID C MCCORMICK, VP OF HEALTHINFUSION INC. (TICKER: HINF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 137,987.

-30- 314
#90281c0140 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0141 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90281c0142 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90281c0143 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0144 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0145 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0146 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90281c0148 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90281c0149 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90281c0150 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90281c0151 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0152 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0153 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90281c0154 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90281c0156 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90281c0157 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90281c0158 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90281c0159 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0160 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90281c0161 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90281c0162 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90281c0164 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90281c0165 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 7,300 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90281c0166 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 6,300 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90281c0167 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90281c0168 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90281c0169 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 18,900 SHARES AT $9.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90281c0170 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90281c0172 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, WILLIAM W FERRELL, DIR. OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90281c0173 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ASAHI GLASS CO, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90281c0174 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ASAHI GLASS CO, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90281c0175 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ASAHI GLASS CO, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90281c0176 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ASAHI GLASS CO, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90281c0177 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ASAHI GLASS CO, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,487,500.

-30- 317

#90281c0178 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, WALLACE F E KIENAST, PRES. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90281c0180 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, RICHARD B DOZIER, PRES. OF NICHOLS INSTITUTE (TICKER: LAB), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0181 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, RICHARD B DOZIER, PRES. OF NICHOLS INSTITUTE (TICKER: LAB), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0182 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, RICHARD B DOZIER, PRES. OF NICHOLS INSTITUTE (TICKER: LAB), SOLD 11,736 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,464.

-30- 320
#90281c0183 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, PRESTON F HARDING, DIR. OF LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: LCBI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90281c0184 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PRESTON F HARDING, DIR. OF LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: LCBI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90281c0185 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PRESTON F HARDING, DIR. OF LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: LCBI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 178,002.

-30- 343
#90281c0186 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JOHN R CAMPBELL, DIR. OF MARINE CORP. (IL) (TICKER: MCOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90281c0188 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JOHN R CAMPBELL, DIR. OF MARINE CORP. (IL) (TICKER: MCOR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,600.

-30- 308
#90281c0189 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DONAGHYS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500,970.

-30- 342
#90281c0190 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROY T PERAINO, PRES. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90281c0191 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROY T PERAINO, PRES. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL),

BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,765.

-30- 309
#90281c0192 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, RICHARD C RISHEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,815.

-30- 333
#90281c0193 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, RONALD RUBIN, DIR. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,322.

-30- 302
#90281c0194 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CHARLES A ROMBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MONTANA PRECISION MINING LTD. (TICKER: MPML), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90281c0196 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PETER S LYNCH, DIR. OF MORRISON-KNUDSEN CO. (TICKER: MRN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $38.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 308
#90281c0197 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MORRISON KNUDSEN CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MORRISON-KNUDSEN CO. (TICKER: MRN), SOLD 2,311 SHARES AT $45.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90281c0198 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, JOHN A WRIGHT, SHAREHOLDER OF MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MTRC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 462.

-30- 325
#90281c0199 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, RAYMOND L MILLER, DIR. OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90281c0200 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RAYMOND L MILLER, DIR. OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90281c0201 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, RAYMOND L MILLER, DIR. OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,329.

-30- 321
#90281c0202 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, MARK A LEDOUX, PRES. OF NATURAL ALTERNATIVES INTL INC. (TICKER: NATA), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,000.

-30- 339
#90281c0204 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, KIYOSHI MASUDA, DIR. OF NEW BRUNSWICK SCIENTIFIC CO. (TICKER: NBSC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294

#90281c0205 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, KIYOSHI MASUDA, DIR. OF NEW BRUNSWICK SCIENTIFIC CO. (TICKER: NBSC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 331
#90281c0206 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JOHN G WEBB, VP OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: NSM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $27.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,207.

-30- 320
#90281c0207 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MICHAEL R CONNERS, DIR. OF NAPA VALLEY BANCORP. (TICKER: NVBC), SOLD 3,490 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,660.

-30- 325
#90281c0208 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, MICHAEL R CONNERS, DIR. OF NAPA VALLEY BANCORP. (TICKER: NVBC), BOUGHT 491 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90281c0209 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, MICHAEL R CONNERS, DIR. OF NAPA VALLEY BANCORP. (TICKER: NVBC), SOLD 491 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,150.

-30- 322
#90281c0210 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 05, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY

SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90281c0212 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 27, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 750 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,750.

-30- 360
#90281c0213 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 06, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 750 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 360
#90281c0214 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 363
#90281c0215 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 01, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90281c0216 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 02, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 750 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90281c0217 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90281c0218 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 04, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90281c0220 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 08, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90281c0221 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90281c0222 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90281c0223 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 362

#90281c0224 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1989, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90281c0225 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1989, SANDERS D NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,400.

-30- 363
#90281c0226 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, F RICHARD FRISBIE, VP OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $16.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90281c0228 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, THOMAS R HIX, OFFICER OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER), SOLD 45,000 SHARES AT $16.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90281c0229 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JOHN R HUFF, CHAIRMAN OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER), SOLD 12,621 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90281c0230 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JOHN R HUFF, CHAIRMAN OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER), SOLD 90,000 SHARES AT $16.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90281c0231 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1988, CHARLES E EXLEY JR, DIR. OF OWENS-CORNING FIBERGLAS CORP. (TICKER: OCF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90281c0232 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1988, CHARLES E EXLEY JR, DIR. OF OWENS-CORNING FIBERGLAS CORP. (TICKER: OCF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 334
#90281c0233 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1988, CHARLES E EXLEY JR, DIR. OF OWENS-CORNING FIBERGLAS CORP. (TICKER: OCF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 332
#90281c0234 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1988, CHARLES E EXLEY JR, DIR. OF OWENS-CORNING FIBERGLAS CORP. (TICKER: OCF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 337
#90281c0236 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1988, CHARLES E EXLEY JR, DIR. OF OWENS-CORNING FIBERGLAS CORP. (TICKER: OCF), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90281c0237 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1988, CHARLES E EXLEY JR, DIR. OF OWENS-CORNING FIBERGLAS

CORP. (TICKER: OCF), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90281c0238 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, WILLIAM K REZTER, SHAREHOLDER OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90281c0239 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, WILLIAM K REZTER, SHAREHOLDER OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90281c0240 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, WILLIAM K REZTER, SHAREHOLDER OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90281c0241 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, WILLIAM K REZTER, SHAREHOLDER OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90281c0242 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, WILLIAM K REZTER, SHAREHOLDER OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: OUCH), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90281c0244 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ROBERT I LIPP, VP OF PRIMERICA CORP. (TICKER: PA),

BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $21.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,589.

-30- 298
#90281c0245 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, EDWARD D ZINBARG, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF GLOBAL YIELD FUND INC. (TICKER: PGY), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 367
#90281c0246 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, PHILLIP D KRAMER, VP OF PLAINS RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: PLX), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90281c0247 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, L L SLOAN, CHAIRMAN OF PRICE/STERN/SLOAN INC. (TICKER: PSSP), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 681,110.

-30- 324
#90281c0248 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, H CLAY MILLER, DIR. OF RED EAGLE RESOURCES CORP (TICKER: REDX), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,200.

-30- 339
#90281c0249 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, INTERMARK INC, BEN. OWNER OF SUNBELT NURSERY GROUP INC. (TICKER: SBN), SOLD 1,891,896 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90281c0250 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 4,900 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90281c0252 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90281c0253 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90281c0254 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 465,457.

-30- 336
#90281c0255 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ALBERT F PETER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: SDRC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124,410.

-30- 368
#90281c0256 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, RICHARD D OSBORNE, DIR. OF SCHERING-PLOUGH CORP. (TICKER: SGP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,890.

-30- 317
#90281c0257 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, JAMES RONALD COOPER, OFFICER OF SANDWICH CHEF INC. (TICKER: SHEF), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,527.

-30- 323
#90281c0258 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 26, 1990, NORMAN GROSS, DIR. OF TAGO INC. (TICKER: TAGO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90281c0260 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1990, NORMAN GROSS, DIR. OF TAGO INC. (TICKER: TAGO), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 288
#90281c0261 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, SHELDON F PECKAR, OFFICER OF THE IMAGE BANK INC. (TICKER: TIBI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,000.

-30- 319
#90281c0262 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RICHARD H LEET, DIR. OF TECH/OPS LANDAUER INC. (TICKER: TO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90281c0263 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, RICHARD H LEET, DIR. OF TECH/OPS LANDAUER INC. (TICKER:

TO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 311
#90281c0264 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, JOHN E OVERMYER, CHAIRMAN OF TOKHEIM CORP. (TICKER: TOK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,554.

-30- 313
#90281c0265 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, DAN A COLUSSY, CHAIRMAN OF UNC INC. (TICKER: UNC), BOUGHT 37,600 SHARES AT $3.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 178,500.

-30- 301
#90281c0266 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, NICHOLAS C KAUFMAN, OFFICER OF UNC INC. (TICKER: UNC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 301
#90281c0268 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, THOMAS B OGRADY, DIR. OF UST INC. (TICKER: UST), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 251
#90281c0269 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, THOMAS B OGRADY, DIR. OF UST INC. (TICKER: UST), SOLD 34,900 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90281c0270 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, THOMAS B OGRADY, DIR. OF UST INC. (TICKER: UST), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 290,400.

-30- 294
#90281c0271 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, STEPHAN A MORSE, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,107.

-30- 326
#90281c0272 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 20, 1988, STEPHAN A MORSE, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,150.

-30- 327
#90281c0273 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 16, 1989, STEPHAN A MORSE, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 410.

-30- 327
#90281c0274 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 13, 1989, STEPHAN A MORSE, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 305.

-30- 327
#90281c0276 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 14, 1989, STEPHAN A MORSE, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,607.

-30- 327
#90281c0277 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 14, 1989, STEPHAN A MORSE, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 710.

-30- 327
#90281c0278 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 21, 1990, STEPHAN A MORSE, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 605.

-30- 327
#90281c0279 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, STEPHAN A MORSE, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 705.

-30- 327
#90281c0280 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RICHARD H LEET, DIR. OF VULCAN MATERIALS CO. (TICKER: VMC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $35.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 308
#90281c0281 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JAMES HALPIN, OFFICER OF WABAN INC. (TICKER: WBN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 78,790.

-30- 298
#90281c0282 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, LORNE R WAXLAX, DIR. OF WABAN INC. (TICKER: WBN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 292
#90281c0284 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, EDWARD J WEISBERGER, OFFICER OF WABAN INC. (TICKER: WBN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,723.

-30- 311
#90281c0285 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, GERALD H TIMMERMAN, DIR. OF WERNER ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: WERN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90281c0286 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, GERALD H TIMMERMAN, DIR. OF WERNER ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: WERN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 325
#90281c0287 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, EDWARD W KIEMLE, DIR. OF WASHINGTON WATER POWER CO. (TICKER: WWP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $27.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90281c0288 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, CHAIRMAN OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), BOUGHT 28,400 SHARES AT $17.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90281c0289 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, CHAIRMAN OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,100.

-30- 304
#90281c0290 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOHN H CANNON, VP OF WOOLWORTH CORP. (TICKER: Z), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 291
#90281c0292 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, W DAVID HEMINGWAY, SHAREHOLDER OF ZIONS BANCORP. (TICKER: ZION), BOUGHT 155 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90281c0293 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, W DAVID HEMINGWAY, SHAREHOLDER OF ZIONS BANCORP. (TICKER: ZION), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90281c0294 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, W DAVID HEMINGWAY, SHAREHOLDER OF ZIONS BANCORP. (TICKER: ZION), BOUGHT 201 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90281c0295 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, W DAVID HEMINGWAY, SHAREHOLDER OF ZIONS BANCORP. (TICKER: ZION), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90281c0296 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, W DAVID HEMINGWAY, SHAREHOLDER OF ZIONS BANCORP. (TICKER: ZION), BOUGHT 122 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,150.

-30- 324
#90281c0303 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C. BARROW OF 26610 MERIDETH DR, WARREN, MI 48091, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF AVIS FLOWERS WORLWIDE INC. THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 4, 1990.

(AVIS FLOWERS WORLWIDE INC. TEL: 313 283-7533)

-30- 410
#90281c0304 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.A. BERGDOLL OF 1110 35TH ST, OAK BROOK, IL 60521, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SANFORD CORP. (TICKER: SANF) THROUGH WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 4, 1990.

(SANFORD CORP. TEL: 312 547-6650)

-30- 395
#90281c0306 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.C. PERILLI OF 706 HILLVIEW, ARLINGTON, TX 76011, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF QUASAR-TECH INC. THROUGH WEBER HALL SALE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 4, 1990.

(QUASAR-TECH INC. TEL: 817 277-4151)

-30- 383
#90281c0307 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. STIPANOVICH OF 9924 MIDLAND, ST LOUIS, MO 63114, HAS FILED TO SELL 220,000 SHARES OF FRONTIER INDUSTRIES INC. THROUGH BURNS PAULI & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 5, 1990.

(FRONTIER INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 319 753-6240)

-30- 404
#90281c0308 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - POWER CURVE INC OF P O BOX 144, NUT TREE, CA 95696, HAS FILED TO SELL 97,625 SHARES OF VALENCIA CAPITAL INC. THROUGH HANIFEN & IMHOFF INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 5, 1990.

(VALENCIA CAPITAL INC. TEL: 213 653-3770)

-30- 405
#90281c0309 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P. MCSHANE OF 1809 LAUREL RD, OCEANSIDE, CA 92054, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF PHOENIX AVIATION INC. THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 5, 1990.

-30- 350
#90281c0310 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L.A. DAHL OF 1026 SOUTH EMERSON ST, DENVER, CO 80209, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,000 SHARES OF ENERCORP INC.(TICKER: ENEI) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 5, 1990.

(ENERCORP INC. TEL: 303 290-9371)

-30- 395
#90281c0311 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEIL J COLVIN OF 1 KNOLLWOOD ST, NORTH EASTON, MA 02356, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. TEL: 617 551-4000)

-30- 432
#90281c0312 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL G ROIFF OF 143 NEWBURY, BOSTON, MA 02116, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(CAPITOL BANCORPORATION TEL: 617 723-5300)

-30- 409
#90281c0314 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID L WEINBERG OF 10165 NW 43 ST, CORAL SPRINGS, FL 33065, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 305 964-6666)

-30- 444
#90281c0315 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BAKER ALBERTA P TRUST OF 5656 BLACKWELL, FOUR NORTHPARK EAST, DALLAS, TX 75231, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF ORYX ENERGY CO. (TICKER: ORX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(ORYX ENERGY CO. TEL: 214 890-5000)

-30- 430
#90281c0316 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC OF 17 WALL STREET, P O BOX 629, MADISON, CT 06443 HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF ORS CORP. (TICKER: ORSC) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(ORS CORP. TEL: 403 237-0445)

-30- 409
#90281c0317 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT J SCAFIDEL OF P O BOX 1197, COVINGTON, LA 70434, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PROFIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: PRTE) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(PROFIT TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 212 809-3500)

-30- 426
#90281c0318 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS R WARNER OF 2225 VERONICA DR, CHALMETTE, LA 70043, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PROFIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: PRTE) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(PROFIT TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 212 809-3500)

-30- 426
#90281c0319 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G ROLAND KERSTEN OF 601 WYTHE ST S #202, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(CEL-SCI CORP. TEL: 703 549-5293)

-30- 401
#90281c0320 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WANLYN B BEJACH OF 10582 MIRAVISTA DR, 0, SANTA ANA, CA 92705, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(BERRY PETROLEUM CO. TEL: 805 769-8811)

-30- 424
#90281c0322 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM H BRENTON OF 3131 FLEUR DR, APT #907, DES MOINES, IA 50321, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF BRENTON BANKS INC. (TICKER: BRBK) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(BRENTON BANKS INC. TEL: 515 237-5214)

-30- 423
#90281c0323 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALVIN BUSCHMAN OF P O BOX 847, 0, PERRYTON, TX 79070, HAS FILED TO SELL 28,000 SHARES OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE (TICKER: SPCL) THROUGH KNIBBE FNCL GRP INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE TEL: 214 630-9825)

-30- 457
#90281c0324 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P SADASIVA SETTY OF 63109 SAUNDERS DR, APT #A-3, REGAL PARK, NY 11374, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,394 SHARES OF MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. (TICKER: MIXX) THROUGH J.W. GANT & ASSOCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. TEL: 303 792-0079)

-30- 443
#90281c0325 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCOTT D BERGFORT OF 3899 NOBEL DR #1104, SAN DIEGO, CA 92122, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,638 SHARES OF ASPEN WIND INC. (TICKER: AWND) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(ASPEN WIND INC. TEL: 303 629-0747)

-30- 407
#90281c0326 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOXER OF 122 CLIPPER LANE, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 402
#90281c0327 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAURICE LAFLAMME OF 34 WEATHERLY COURT, JAMESTOWN, RI 02835, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH WILLIAM BARTON FINL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 430
#90281c0328 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN M PIERCE OF 2700 ESSO PLAZA EAST, 425 FIRST ST SW, CALGARY ALBERTA CANA, OV 00000, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF RANGER OIL LTD. (TICKER: RGO) THROUGH CAZENOVE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(RANGER OIL LTD. TEL: 403 263-1500)

-30- 430
#90281c0330 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN M PIERCE OF 2700 ESSO PLAZA EAST, 425 FIRST ST SW, CALGARY ALBERTA CANA, OV 00000, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF RANGER OIL LTD. (TICKER: RGO) THROUGH CAZENOVE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(RANGER OIL LTD. TEL: 403 263-1500)

-30- 428
#90281c0331 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN M PIERCE OF 2700 ESSO PLAZA EAST, 425 FIRST ST SW, CALGARY ALBERTA CANA, OV 00000, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,600 SHARES OF RANGER OIL LTD. (TICKER: RGO) THROUGH CAZENOVE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(RANGER OIL LTD. TEL: 403 263-1500)

-30- 426
#90281c0332 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN M PIERCE OF 2700 ESSO PLAZA EAST, 425 FIRST ST SW, CALGARY ALBERTA CANA, OV 00000, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,700 SHARES OF RANGER OIL LTD. (TICKER: RGO) THROUGH CAZENOVE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(RANGER OIL LTD. TEL: 403 263-1500)

-30- 426
#90281c0333 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT B KAMON OF 1304 AVE L, P O BOX 1629, CISCO, TX 76437, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN (TICKER: GTRO) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN TEL: 817 442-2665)

-30- 464
#90281c0334 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - I-TECH R&D L P OF 9248 CAMBRIDGE MANOR CT, POTOMAC, MD 20854, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,590 SHARES OF COMVERSE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CMVT) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(COMVERSE TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 516 921-0470)

-30- 436
#90281c0335 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRENDA W STRASSBERG OF 12 HAWKS NEST RD, STONEY BROOK, NY 11790, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF POLYMERIX INC. (TICKER: PLXX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(POLYMERIX INC. TEL: 414 722-3451)

-30- 414
#90281c0336 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ESPY ENERGY 1983 FUND LTD OF 10425 S PAINTER AVE, SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,703 SHARES OF MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. (TICKER: MCFE) THROUGH DUNCAN-SMITH SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. TEL: 213 944-0181)

-30- 450
#90281c0338 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MILFORD H DINGMAN JR OF 12302 BROKEN ARROW, HOUSTON, TX 77024, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,854 SHARES OF LITTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: LIT) THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(LITTON INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 213 859-5000)

-30- 410
#90281c0339 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LUTHERAN CHURCH SYNOD FDN OF 3440 E HOUSTON ST, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78219, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. TEL: 512 225-4092)

-30- 449
#90281c0340 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR F MICHAELIS OF C/O CONTROL THERAPUETICS, ONE TECHNOLOGY COURT, MALVERN, PA 19355, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES IN (TICKER: AMA) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES IN TEL: 415 291-8801)

-30- 496
#90281c0341 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE A LEHMKUHL OF 134 DELLWOOD, DELLWOOD, MN 55110, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,808 SHARES OF ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: STJM) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. TEL: 612 483-2000)

-30- 427
#90281c0342 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MERRILL LYNCH INTERFUNDING INC OF 3440 EAST HOUSTON ST, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78219, HAS FILED TO SELL 156,000 SHARES OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. TEL: 512 225-4092)

-30- 457
#90281c0343 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLAN B WILSON OF 576 RAINBOW DR,
MADIOSN SON, AL 35758, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,260 SHARES OF INTERGRAPH CORP. (TICKER: INGR) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(INTERGRAPH CORP. TEL: 205 772-2000)

-30- 412
#90281c0344 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVSTMNTS PRTNRSHP LUND OF 9055 EVERGREEN BLVD, COON RAPIDS, MN 55433, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,125 SHARES OF AMERICAN MEDICAL ELECTRONIC INC. (TICKER: AMEI) THROUGH JOHN G KINNARD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(AMERICAN MEDICAL ELECTRONIC INC. TEL: 214 248-6000)

-30- 467
#90281c0346 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN MARCEAU OF 102 WINDING WAY, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78232, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. TEL: 512 225-4092)

-30- 425
#90281c0347 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLINTON H HOWARD OF 2001 WALNUT HILL LANE, IRVING, TX 75038, HAS FILED TO SELL 64,000 SHARES OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 214 541-2278)

-30- 442
#90281c0348 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLINTON H HOWARD OF 2001 WALNUT HILL LANE, IRVING, TX 75038, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 214 541-2278)

-30- 440
#90281c0349 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH J MELKUS OF 6104 PADDOCK PL, BRENTWOOD, TN 37027, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. TEL: 615 385-3541)

-30- 447
#90281c0350 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S GEORGE RAGNO OF 200 MURRAY HILL PKWY, EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ 07073, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CCA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CCAM) THROUGH OLDE DISCOUNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(CCA INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 201 330-1400)

-30- 412
#90281c0351 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN MALEC OF 600 WEST STRATFORD PLACE, CHICAGO, IL 60657, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. TEL: 312 726-1221)

-30- 437
#90281c0352 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARRY TRAMIEL OF 4 SUSAN GALE CT, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF ATARI CORP. (TICKER: ATC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(ATARI CORP. TEL: 408 745-2000)

-30- 392
#90281c0354 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN MALEC OF 600 WEST STRATFORD PLACE, CHICAGO, IL 60657, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. TEL: 312 726-1221)

-30- 435
#90281c0355 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, M. BERNSTEIN, DIR. OF ASTRO DRILLING CO. (TICKER: ASRL), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,800.

-30- 314
#90281c0356 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 5,400 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90281c0357 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 14, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 2,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90281c0358 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 19, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 2,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90281c0359 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 4,200 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90281c0360 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90281c0362 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 1,700 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90281c0363 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,453,058.

-30- 346
#90281c0364 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, R.C. WILLIAMS, PRES. OF CENTENNIAL BANCORP (TICKER:

CEBC), BOUGHT 101 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90281c0365 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 14, 1990, C.H. KENNER, VP OF CRAWFORD & CO (TICKER: CRD), SOLD 500 CLASS B SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90281c0366 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 14, 1990, C.H. KENNER, VP OF CRAWFORD & CO (TICKER: CRD), SOLD 243 CLASS B SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90281c0367 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 14, 1990, C.H. KENNER, VP OF CRAWFORD & CO (TICKER: CRD), SOLD 1,000 CLASS B SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90281c0368 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 15, 1990, A.H. BRADLEY, PRES. OF ACUNET CORP SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,404,110.

-30- 289
#90281c0370 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, R. NIMKOFF, VP OF FIRST REPUBLIC CORP OF AMERICA (TICKER: FRPC) SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $65.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90281c0371 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, W.W. APPLE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FNB FINANCIAL

SERVICES CORP. BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,964.

-30- 336
#90281c0372 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 20, 1990, C.W. WORTHINGTON, CHAIRMAN OF NATIONAL CITY BANCSHARES INC. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,583.

-30- 333
#90281c0373 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, R.A. ROSENBERG, OFFICER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,429.

-30- 337
#90281c0374 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 24, 1990, L.E. ELDRED, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VISION TEN INC. BOUGHT 981,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90281c0375 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 18, 1990, L.E. ELDRED, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VISION TEN INC. BOUGHT 670,892 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90281c0376 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 26, 1990, L.E. ELDRED, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VISION TEN INC. BOUGHT 18,785 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,749,831.

-30- 325

#90281c0378 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 18, 1990, W.P. TENNITY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VISION TEN INC. BOUGHT 670,892 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90281c0379 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 26, 1990, W.P. TENNITY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VISION TEN INC. BOUGHT 18,785 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,099,831.

-30- 327
#90281c0380 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MARCH 30, 1990, W.F. FERGUSON JR, DIR. OF SPECTRASCAN INC. BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $0.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 131,563.

-30- 299
#90281c0381 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, T.K. LEIDY, DIR. OF UNIVEST CORP.(PA) (TICKER: USVP) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,971.

-30- 295
#90281c0382 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ROBERT H FRAZER, VP OF ACMAT CORP. (TICKER: ACMT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 291
#90281c0383 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, DAVID E GRANGE JR, DIR. OF ALLIED RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: ARAI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 320
#90281c0384 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, EDWARD M KRESS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 2,758 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,001.

-30- 352
#90281c0386 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 47,100 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90281c0387 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 11,096 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90281c0388 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90281c0389 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 16,978 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90281c0390 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 5,900 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90281c0391 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 13,709 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,185,218.

-30- 340
#90281c0392 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ANTHONY P GAMMIE, DIR. OF THE BANK OF NEW YORK CO. (TICKER: BK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 321
#90281c0394 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, STELCO ENTERPRISES CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BLISS & LAUGHLIN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BLIS), BOUGHT 39,000 SHARES AT $5.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,598,759.

-30- 357
#90281c0395 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, STELCO HOLDING CO, BEN. OWNER OF BLISS & LAUGHLIN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BLIS), BOUGHT 39,000 SHARES AT $5.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,598,759.

-30- 358
#90281c0396 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, P ERIC BERG, DIV. OFFICER OF BROWN & SHARPE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BNS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90281c0397 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, P ERIC BERG, DIV. OFFICER OF BROWN & SHARPE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BNS), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90281c0398 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, P ERIC BERG, DIV. OFFICER OF BROWN & SHARPE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BNS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,535.

-30- 348
#90281c0399 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, BENTON BEJACH, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 826,964.

-30- 315
#90281c0400 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, WILLIAM J CLANCY, VP OF CACI INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CACI), SOLD 910 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90281c0402 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, VERNON W HILL II, CHAIRMAN OF COMMERCE BANCORP. (N.J.) (TICKER: CBNB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 220,027.

-30- 339
#90281c0403 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MORTON N KERR, DIR. OF COMMERCE BANCORP. (N.J.) (TICKER: CBNB), BOUGHT 652 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 108,854.

-30- 324
#90281c0404 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, COLBY H CHANDLER, DIR. OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 298
#90281c0405 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1989, JAMES K SIMS, CHAIRMAN OF CONCURRENT COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CCUR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90281c0406 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1989, JAMES K SIMS, CHAIRMAN OF CONCURRENT COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CCUR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 331
#90281c0407 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, JOSEPH R ATKIN, VP OF CIRCLE FINE ART CORP. (TICKER: CFNE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90281c0408 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, JOSEPH R ATKIN, VP OF CIRCLE FINE ART CORP. (TICKER: CFNE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,500.

-30- 315
#90281c0410 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ROBERT R DOUGLASS, DIR. OF THE CHASE MANHATTAN CORP. (TICKER: CMB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,715.

-30- 326
#90281c0411 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, J FRANK HARRISON III, DIR. OF COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO.CONSOLIDATED (TICKER: COKE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 503.

-30- 349
#90281c0412 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, LOUIS R WEINSTEIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF COSMETIC & FRAGRANCE CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: COSF), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,218,503.

-30- 402
#90281c0413 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90281c0414 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90281c0415 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: COW), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,722,780.

-30- 320
#90281c0416 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MARK J LYNDERS, OFFICER OF CREST INDUSTRIES INC. (FL) (TICKER: CRII), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 317
#90281c0418 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, KENNETH J MAHONEY, VP OF CULP INC. (TICKER: CULP), BOUGHT 652 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 652.

-30- 286
#90281c0419 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, KENNETH J MAHONEY, VP OF CULP INC. (TICKER: CULP), BOUGHT 195 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 914.

-30- 288
#90281c0420 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, FRANCIS F RANDOLPH JR, DIR. OF CABLEVISION SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: CVC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 327
#90281c0421 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, FRANCIS F RANDOLPH JR, DIR. OF CABLEVISION SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: CVC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 335
#90281c0422 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MAX C HEMPT, DIR. OF DAUPHIN DEPOSIT CORP. (TICKER:

DAPN), BOUGHT 191 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,036.

-30- 311
#90281c0423 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, T W OAKES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DIBRELL BROTHERS INC. (TICKER: DBRL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90281c0424 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, T W OAKES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DIBRELL BROTHERS INC. (TICKER: DBRL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,428.

-30- 338
#90281c0426 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, WILLIAM C CALDWELL, VP OF EMULEX CORP. (TICKER: EMLX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90281c0427 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, THOMAS N URBAN, DIR. OF EQUITABLE OF IOWA COS. (TICKER: EQIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 320
#90281c0428 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MICHAEL W WRIGHT, VP OF ERC ENVIRONMENTAL & ENERGY SERVICES CO. (TICKER: ERCE), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 341

#90281c0429 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 25, 1990, ROBERT G PHILLIPS, PRES. OF EASTEX ENERGY INC. (TICKER: ETEX), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,976,000.

-30- 322
#90281c0430 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, GLENN M ALGER, VP OF EXPEDITORS INTERNATIONAL OF WASHINGTON INC. (TICKER: EXPD), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,240.

-30- 348
#90281c0431 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ROBERT H BOLTON, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCE CORP. (TICKER: FCOM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 320
#90281c0432 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM S MORTENSEN, CHAIRMAN OF FIRSTFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FED), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 86,271.

-30- 341
#90281c0434 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, W GILES HUNNINGS JR, VP OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,243.

-30- 321
#90281c0435 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, GEORGE L ROMINE, DIR. OF F & M NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FMNT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,688.

-30- 311
#90281c0436 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JOHN S SCULLY III, DIR. OF F & M NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FMNT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90281c0437 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JOHN S SCULLY III, DIR. OF F & M NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FMNT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,021.

-30- 316
#90281c0438 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, LAWRENCE BROOKS, DIR. OF FOOTHILL INDEPENDENT BANCORP. (TICKER: FOOT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,226.

-30- 352
#90281c0439 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, FRANK D TENNENT, DIR. OF FEDERAL SCREW WORKS (TICKER: FSCR), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 320
#90281c0440 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, FRANK H BRIDGE, DIR. OF FIRST STATE FINL SVCS INC. (TICKER: FSFI), BOUGHT 2,550 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,731.

-30- 329
#90281c0442 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, EMIL J BUTCHKO, VP OF FIRST STATE FINL SVCS INC. (TICKER: FSFI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 327
#90281c0443 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CLARENCE R LOMMERIN, DIR. OF FIRST STATE FINL SVCS INC. (TICKER: FSFI), BOUGHT 4,210 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,949.

-30- 335
#90281c0444 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, RALPH M RIEFOLO, DIR. OF FIRST STATE FINL SVCS INC. (TICKER: FSFI), BOUGHT 42,150 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,150.

-30- 333
#90281c0445 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, PAUL M OHARA, VP OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 309
#90281c0446 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JAMES H MILLIS, DIR. OF FIRST WACHOVIA CORP. (TICKER: FW), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $34.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90281c0447 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JAMES H MILLIS, DIR. OF FIRST WACHOVIA CORP. (TICKER: FW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $33.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,132.

-30- 308
#90281c0448 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ARTHUR KARMEL, OFFICER OF FIRST WORLD CHEESE INC. (TICKER: FWCH), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,750.

-30- 325
#90281c0450 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, STUART D SCHWARTZ, OFFICER OF FIRST WORLD CHEESE INC. (TICKER: FWCH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90281c0451 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, STUART D SCHWARTZ, OFFICER OF FIRST WORLD CHEESE INC. (TICKER: FWCH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 329
#90281c0452 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CARL T WOLF, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST WORLD CHEESE INC. (TICKER: FWCH), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $4.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,712,400.

-30- 371
#90281c0453 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MARION F WOLF, DIR. OF FIRST WORLD CHEESE INC. (TICKER: FWCH), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $4.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,500.

-30- 322
#90281c0454 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ERIVAN K HAUB, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90281c0455 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ERIVAN K HAUB, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $49.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90281c0456 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ERIVAN K HAUB, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $48.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90281c0458 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ERIVAN K HAUB, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $47.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90281c0459 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ERIVAN K HAUB, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $46.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90281c0460 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ERIVAN K HAUB, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $46.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,191,700.

-30- 363
#90281c0461 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WARENHANDELSG TENGELMANN, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90281c0462 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WARENHANDELSG TENGELMANN, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $49.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90281c0463 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WARENHANDELSG TENGELMANN, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $48.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90281c0464 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WARENHANDELSG TENGELMANN, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $48.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90281c0466 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WARENHANDELSG TENGELMANN, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $46.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 334

#90281c0467 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WARENHANDELSG TENGELMANN, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $46.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,189,000.

-30- 376
#90281c0468 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JOHN J LANNON, VP OF NICOR INC. (TICKER: GAS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $44.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90281c0469 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOHN J LANNON, VP OF NICOR INC. (TICKER: GAS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $45.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90281c0470 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOHN J LANNON, VP OF NICOR INC. (TICKER: GAS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $45.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,064.

-30- 288
#90281c0471 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, DONALD W LOHRENTZ, OFFICER OF NICOR INC. (TICKER: GAS), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $43.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 565.

-30- 298
#90281c0472 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, RONALD M PUNTIL, VP OF GRUBB & ELLIS CO. (TICKER: GBE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90281c0474 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, RONALD M PUNTIL, VP OF GRUBB & ELLIS CO. (TICKER: GBE), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,829.

-30- 301
#90281c0475 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JACK S LEVIN, DIR. OF GAYLORD CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: GCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0476 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JACK S LEVIN, DIR. OF GAYLORD CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: GCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,730.

-30- 318
#90281c0477 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, THOMAS M HAYTHE, DIR. OF GUEST SUPPLY INC. (TICKER: GEST), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90281c0478 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, THOMAS M HAYTHE, DIR. OF GUEST SUPPLY INC. (TICKER: GEST), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,200.

-30- 314
#90281c0479 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BURCHARD K MOLLER, DIR. OF GREENWICH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GFCT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 126,000.

-30- 330
#90281c0480 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ELWOOD WIENDIECK, DIR. OF GREENWICH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GFCT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 328
#90281c0482 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DARLEEN MARIAN SLAZINSKI, OFFICER OF GELMAN SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GSC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 715.

-30- 328
#90281c0483 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PAUL X KELLEY, DIR. OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 290
#90281c0484 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MARVIN M SPEISER, CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH-CHEM CORP. (TICKER: HCH), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,032,152.

-30- 324
#90281c0485 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, FREDERICK DEMATTEIS, DIR. OF HOME DEPOT INC. (TICKER: HD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $34.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 782,946.

-30- 314

#90281c0486 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90281c0487 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90281c0488 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90281c0490 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,502,500.

-30- 346
#90281c0491 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90281c0492 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0493 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0494 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 120,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90281c0495 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 57,500 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90281c0496 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 200,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90281c0498 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 1,300,000 SHARES AT $20.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90281c0499 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 250,000 SHARES AT $20.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90281c0500 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $20.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90281c0501 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 65,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90281c0502 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $19.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0503 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0504 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0506 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90281c0507 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90281c0508 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90281c0509 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90281c0510 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,502,500.

-30- 359
#90281c0511 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90281c0512 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90281c0514 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 120,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90281c0515 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 57,500 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90281c0516 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 200,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90281c0517 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 200,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90281c0518 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 1,300,000 SHARES AT $20.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90281c0519 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 250,000 SHARES AT $20.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90281c0520 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $20.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90281c0522 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $19.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90281c0523 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90281c0524 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90281c0525 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $19.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,786,800.

-30- 357
#90281c0526 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CARL W ZANDER, VP OF HANCOCK FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HKF), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 303
#90281c0527 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HARVEY A WEINBERG, CHAIRMAN OF HARTMARX CORP. (TICKER: HMX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,882.

-30- 316
#90281c0528 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ARTHUR I LEVY JR, DIR. OF HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HOSS), SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT $6.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,000.

-30- 334
#90281c0530 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, RICHARD BLOCK, PRES. OF IPCO CORP. (TICKER: IHS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,000.

-30- 290
#90281c0531 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ALFRED L FENAUGHTY, PRES. OF INFORMATION INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: IINT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,975.

-30- 338
#90281c0532 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOHN C MONDAY, DIR. OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,270.

-30- 301
#90281c0533 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, PAUL N SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90281c0534 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, PAUL N SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90281c0535 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, PAUL N SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90281c0536 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, PAUL N SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90281c0538 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, PAUL N SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90281c0539 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, PAUL N SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90281c0540 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, PAUL N SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90281c0541 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, PAUL N SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90281c0542 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, PAUL N SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90281c0543 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, PAUL N SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,200.

-30- 303
#90281c0544 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, THOMAS N WARNER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 115,600 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,441,188.

-30- 342
#90281c0546 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ELBRIDGE R MOXLEY, DIR. OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90281c0547 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ELBRIDGE R MOXLEY, DIR. OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90281c0548 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ELBRIDGE R MOXLEY, DIR. OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90281c0549 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ELBRIDGE R MOXLEY, DIR. OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90281c0550 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ELBRIDGE R MOXLEY, DIR. OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90281c0551 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ELBRIDGE R MOXLEY, DIR. OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90281c0552 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ELBRIDGE R MOXLEY, DIR. OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,907.

-30- 313

#90281c0554 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JAMES P GALLAGHER, VP OF ITT CORP. (TICKER: ITT), SOLD 402 SHARES AT $50.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,476.

-30- 288
#90281c0555 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ORVILLE E FISHER, VP OF JOSTENS INC. (TICKER: JOS), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,190.

-30- 297
#90281c0556 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, EDWARD B CLOUES II, OFFICER AND DIR. OF K-TRON INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: KTII), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 347
#90281c0557 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, RAYMUND G MCDERMOTT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,095.

-30- 340
#90281c0558 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90281c0559 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90281c0560 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90281c0562 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90281c0563 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90281c0564 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.59 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90281c0565 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 852,175.

-30- 331
#90281c0566 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ROBERT F RAISBECK, DIR. OF LIONEL CORP. (TICKER: LIO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 301
#90281c0567 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PHILOMENA D WARIHAY, DIR. OF LIONEL CORP. (TICKER: LIO), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,400.

-30- 301
#90281c0568 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, NORMAN L PECK, DIR. OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,400.

-30- 307
#90281c0570 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, PERRY CONSTANTINE, VP OF LSI LOGIC CORP. (TICKER: LSI), SOLD 1,771 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,826.

-30- 304
#90281c0571 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, GRAHAM C MILLER, CHAIRMAN OF LTX CORP. (TICKER: LTXX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90281c0572 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, GRAHAM C MILLER, CHAIRMAN OF LTX CORP. (TICKER: LTXX), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $2.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90281c0573 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, GRAHAM C MILLER, CHAIRMAN OF LTX CORP. (TICKER: LTXX), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90281c0574 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, GRAHAM C MILLER, CHAIRMAN OF LTX CORP. (TICKER: LTXX), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.26 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 342,702.

-30- 303
#90281c0575 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JULIUS S YOUNG JR, DIR. OF LSB BANCSHARES INC. (NC) (TICKER: LXBK), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,799.

-30- 327
#90281c0576 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ROBERT A JOLLIFF, OFFICER OF MCDERMOTT INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MDR), SOLD 5,890 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,260.

-30- 332
#90281c0578 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, DANIEL J TERRA, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MERCURY FINANCE CO. (TICKER: MFN), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90281c0579 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DANIEL J TERRA, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MERCURY FINANCE CO. (TICKER: MFN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,060,272.

-30- 347
#90281c0580 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JAMES M SULLIVAN, VP OF MARRIOTT CORP. (TICKER: MHS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,493.

-30- 301
#90281c0581 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ERNEST L RANSOME III, DIR. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,550.

-30- 313
#90281c0582 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MARGARITA SCHOENDORFER, OFFICER OF MANOR CARE INC. (TICKER: MNR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 324
#90281c0583 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, OTTO J BUIS, PRES. OF MSR EXPLORATION LTD. (TICKER: MSR), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90281c0584 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MICHAEL M MCCARTHY, DIR. OF MARK TWAIN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: MTWN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90281c0586 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1989, STEVE SAMBERG, DIR. OF NANTUCKET INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NAN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 311
#90281c0587 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROBERT E COMBS, DIR. OF NATIONAL PROPERTIES CORP. (TICKER: NAPE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 321
#90281c0588 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GERALD STEINBERG, VP OF NASTA INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: NAS), SOLD 190,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0589 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 9,600 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0590 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90281c0591 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90281c0592 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RICHARD C BLUM, DIR. OF NATIONAL EDUCATION CORP. (TICKER: NEC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,051,252.

-30- 323
#90281c0594 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, KIRK LAMAR, DIR. OF NEW IMAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NIIS), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90281c0595 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, KIRK LAMAR, DIR. OF NEW IMAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NIIS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90281c0596 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, KIRK LAMAR, DIR. OF NEW IMAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NIIS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90281c0597 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, KIRK LAMAR, DIR. OF NEW IMAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NIIS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90281c0598 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, KIRK LAMAR, DIR. OF NEW IMAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NIIS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90281c0599 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, KIRK LAMAR, DIR. OF NEW IMAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NIIS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90281c0600 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, KIRK LAMAR, DIR. OF NEW IMAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NIIS), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 355,911.

-30- 309
#90281c0602 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, CHARLES E SPORCK, PRES. OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: NSM), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90281c0603 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, CHARLES E SPORCK, PRES. OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: NSM), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 679,719.

-30- 334
#90281c0604 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MARTIN G JACOBSON, PRES. OF NUTMEG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NUTM), BOUGHT 7,262 SHARES AT $4.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 931,021.

-30- 320
#90281c0605 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JACK J GOLDSTEIN, PRES. OF OMI CORP. (TICKER: OMM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 299
#90281c0606 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, WILLIAM L FROST, DIR. OF OVERSEAS SHIPHOLDING GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90281c0607 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, WILLIAM L FROST, DIR. OF OVERSEAS SHIPHOLDING GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSG), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 337
#90281c0608 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, RAN HETTENA, DIR. OF OVERSEAS SHIPHOLDING GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90281c0610 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, RAN HETTENA, DIR. OF OVERSEAS SHIPHOLDING GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90281c0611 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, RAN HETTENA, DIR. OF OVERSEAS SHIPHOLDING GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,841.

-30- 335
#90281c0612 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, KENNETH J BIALKIN, DIR. OF PRIMERICA CORP. (TICKER: PA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270

#90281c0613 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, KENNETH J BIALKIN, DIR. OF PRIMERICA CORP. (TICKER: PA), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,000.

-30- 306
#90281c0614 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, FRANK ZARB, DIR. OF PRIMERICA CORP. (TICKER: PA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,872.

-30- 294
#90281c0615 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, FRANK R SCHLOSSER, PRES. OF PAMIDA HOLDINGS CORP. (TICKER: PAM), BOUGHT 13,300 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90281c0616 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, FRANK R SCHLOSSER, PRES. OF PAMIDA HOLDINGS CORP. (TICKER: PAM), BOUGHT 6,700 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 173,071.

-30- 325
#90281c0618 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CLAUDE H VANDYKE, DIR. OF PREMIER BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: PBKC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 138,272.

-30- 331
#90281c0619 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ANNE M MORGAN, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,202.

-30- 331
#90281c0620 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 27, 1990, ANNE M MORGAN, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 332
#90281c0621 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ROGER IJ WERTENBERGER, CHAIRMAN OF PEOPLES FEDERAL SVGS BANK DEKALB CNTY(IN) (TICKER: PFDC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 388
#90281c0622 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, IRVIN MAX BORISH, DIR. OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 2,225 SHARES AT $4.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 120,000.

-30- 321
#90281c0623 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, STEPHEN W SEALE JR, DIR. OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90281c0624 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, STEPHEN W SEALE JR, DIR. OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,546.

-30- 314
#90281c0626 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, HARVEY J WILSON, DIR. OF PHILADELPHIA SUBURBAN CORP. (TICKER: PSC), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 330
#90281c0627 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF PAR TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PTC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 303
#90281c0628 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PAUL A MOONEY, DIR. OF PARKVALE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PVSA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,100.

-30- 314
#90281c0629 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, CARY H BAER, VP OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 8,501 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,660.

-30- 315
#90281c0630 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JOHN G HUTCHENS, DIR. OF RUDDICK CORP. (TICKER: RDK), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90281c0631 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JOHN G HUTCHENS, DIR. OF RUDDICK CORP. (TICKER: RDK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 305
#90281c0632 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JAMES E S HYNES, DIR. OF RUDDICK CORP. (TICKER: RDK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 302
#90281c0634 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT MINUTOLI, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,500.

-30- 296
#90281c0635 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, GLEN C TAYLOR JR, OFFICER OF SHOWBOAT INC. (TICKER: SBO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,200.

-30- 310
#90281c0636 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ANDREW W MILLER, DIR. OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90281c0637 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ANDREW W MILLER, DIR. OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90281c0638 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ANDREW W MILLER, DIR. OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90281c0639 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ANDREW W MILLER, DIR. OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90281c0640 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, KIM A KRIEG, CHAIRMAN OF SEA GALLEY STORES INC. (TICKER: SEAG), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,800.

-30- 324
#90281c0642 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JOHN J MCCORD, OFFICER OF SHARED MEDICAL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: SMED), SOLD 1,747 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90281c0643 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ROBERT E COOK, CHAIRMAN OF SYSTEMS CENTER INC. (TICKER: SMX), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $8.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90281c0644 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ROBERT E COOK, CHAIRMAN OF SYSTEMS CENTER INC. (TICKER: SMX), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,032,256.

-30- 322
#90281c0645 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 19, 1990, BILL L HARBERT, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR),

BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 192,541.

-30- 308
#90281c0646 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CONRAD C KNUDSEN, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,200.

-30- 323
#90281c0647 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, THOMAS L VENABLE, CHAIRMAN OF SPECTRUM CONTROL INC. (TICKER: SPEC), SOLD 5,100 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90281c0648 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, THOMAS L VENABLE, CHAIRMAN OF SPECTRUM CONTROL INC. (TICKER: SPEC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $0.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90281c0650 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ANTHONY A BOURDAKIS, VP OF SYNTEX CORP. (TICKER: SYN), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $56.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90281c0651 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ANTHONY A BOURDAKIS, VP OF SYNTEX CORP. (TICKER: SYN), SOLD 2,900 SHARES AT $55.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 300
#90281c0652 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, JAMES G LANE JR, CHAIRMAN OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,000.

-30- 312
#90281c0653 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JAMES G LANE JR, CHAIRMAN OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,889.

-30- 310
#90281c0654 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JAMES F BOWSER, OFFICER OF THREE-FIVE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TFSY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 329
#90281c0655 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, TIMOTHY C BROWN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TII), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,352.

-30- 329
#90281c0656 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, CPO ASSOCIATES LP, BEN. OWNER OF UNITED FASHIONS INC. (TICKER: UFAS), BOUGHT 2,750,000 SHARES AT $3.64 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,931,742.

-30- 349
#90281c0658 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID A SCHEINMAN, DIR. OF UNITED GAMING INC. (TICKER: UGAM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90281c0659 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DAVID A SCHEINMAN, DIR. OF UNITED GAMING INC. (TICKER: UGAM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,231.

-30- 318
#90281c0660 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, DAVID A SCHEINMAN, DIR. OF UNITED GAMING INC. (TICKER: UGAM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0661 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DAVID A SCHEINMAN, DIR. OF UNITED GAMING INC. (TICKER: UGAM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0662 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DAVID A SCHEINMAN, DIR. OF UNITED GAMING INC. (TICKER: UGAM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90281c0663 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, DAVID A SCHEINMAN, DIR. OF UNITED GAMING INC. (TICKER: UGAM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90281c0664 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, DAVID A SCHEINMAN, DIR. OF UNITED GAMING INC. (TICKER: UGAM), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

28,431.

-30- 318
#90281c0666 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, RICHARD JOSEPH CHOUINARD, OFFICER OF USLIFE CORP. (TICKER: USH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,677.

-30- 319
#90281c0667 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JOHN W TUCKER JR, DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 242,200.

-30- 298
#90281c0668 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WARREN D COX, VP OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90281c0669 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WARREN D COX, VP OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 299
#90281c0670 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ROBERT P OUELLETTE, VP OF VERSAR INC. (TICKER: VSR), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,690.

-30- 293
#90281c0671 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, LEROY C HANNEMAN JR, VP OF WEBB (DEL) CORP. (TICKER: WBB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,750.

-30- 309
#90281c0672 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, THOMAS W RYAN, VP OF WEBB (DEL) CORP. (TICKER: WBB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,700.

-30- 297
#90281c0674 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0675 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0676 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0677 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0678 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0679 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0680 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0682 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0683 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0684 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0685 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90281c0686 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0687 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90281c0688 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0690 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 509,900.

-30- 342
#90281c0691 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JAMES F FENLON, DIR. OF WEDDING INFOMATION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: WINN), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $0.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 341

#90281c0692 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, KEN C CHILVERS, PRES. OF WET SEAL INC. (TICKER: WTSL), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 308
#90281c0693 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 02, 1990, MARK HAMMER, DIR. OF EXOVIR INC. (TICKER: XOVR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,000.

-30- 293
#90281c0694 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, MARK HAMMER, DIR. OF EXOVIR INC. (TICKER: XOVR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90281c0695 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, MARK HAMMER, DIR. OF EXOVIR INC. (TICKER: XOVR), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 410,400.

-30- 295
#90281c0696 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, JAMES S HANNA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL YOGURT CO. (TICKER: YOCM), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90281c0698 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 06, 1988, JAMES S HANNA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL YOGURT CO. (TICKER: YOCM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $3.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 298

#90281c0699 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 06, 1988, ROBERT JOHNSTON, OFFICER OF INTERNATIONAL YOGURT CO. (TICKER: YOCM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 318
#90281c0700 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, ROBERT JOHNSTON, OFFICER OF INTERNATIONAL YOGURT CO. (TICKER: YOCM), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90281c0701 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, BENJAMIN BROWN, VP OF YES CLOTHING CO. (TICKER: YSCO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 294
#90281c0702 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, GEORGE W RANDALL, CHAIRMAN OF YES CLOTHING CO. (TICKER: YSCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90281c0703 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, GEORGE W RANDALL, CHAIRMAN OF YES CLOTHING CO. (TICKER: YSCO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90281c0704 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, GEORGE W RANDALL, CHAIRMAN OF YES CLOTHING CO. (TICKER: YSCO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90281d0050 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DUBAI (OCT. 8) - The United Arab Emirates ordered Monday a 40-day state mourning period following the death late Sunday of Dubai's ruler, Sheikh Rashid bin Said al-Maktoum, who was also vice-president and prime minister of the Uae.

Sheikh Rashid, who is believed to have been in his late 70s or early 80s, was suffering from a long illness.

He became ruler of Dubai in 1958 and was appointed Uae vice-president when seven emirates merged in 1971. In 1979 Sheikh Rashid became the Uae's prime minister.

His illness prevented him from appearing at a number of government meetings in recent years. He has been represented by his son, Sheikh Maktoum bin Rashid, who is now expected to be named Dubai's new ruler.

Sheikh Rashid's style of government was ''the old style but remarkedly attuned to the modern age into which Dubai had been let'', the Dubai-based daily Khaleej Timnes said.

Flags in the Uae will be flown at half mast for 40 days. Government offices will close for six days.

-30- 1204
#90281d0230 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MONROVIA (OCT. 8) - The West African expeditionary force in Liberia has opened a third front north of the capital to break the encirclement of the city by the rebel National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL).

It attacked on Sunday towards White Plains, 30 kilometres (18 miles) away, and fighting went on all night and was continuing unabated by midday Monday as the rebels put up stiff resistance and sent in reinforcements backed by artillery. There was no immediate word on casualties.

White Plains, a strategically-placed wooded hill, dominates the roads north and west of Monrovia and contains its water purification plant and the power station. The rebels' capture of it in June sealed their siege of the capital.

On two other fronts opened last week, the combatants appeared to be bogged down in the city centre and at Gardnersville, a northern suburb.

The soldiers sent by Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Nigeria and Sierra Leone had moved gradually from the immediate vicinity of the presidential executive mansion at First Street to near the small James Spriggs Paynesfield airfield.

But they were pushed back to Ninth Street, giving them an overall advance of about a kilometre and a half (almost one mile).

At Gardnersville, the many houses interspersed with marshy terrain lying between Tubman Boulevard and Somalia Drive offer ideal conditions for ambushes.

That accounts for the massive use being made of long-range artillery to clear the area first.

The intervention force sent in originally by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) to monitor a ceasefire in the nine-month civil war has been mounting air raids too, apparently seeking out the rebels' 105mm recoilless cannon, carried on jeeps and proving very mobile, and their 82mm mortars.

That type of warfare is proving deadly for the civilians who have yet to flee the combat zones.

Reliable sources cited one air strike last week on an eastern suburb which seriously wounded 39 people, 10 of whom died during the night.

The roads north and east of Monrovia are always full of groups of refugees escaping from a city that has become unlivable. Most end up at the university campus at Fendell, where thousands of people are encamped.

-30- 2476

#90281d0240 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT ELIZABETH, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 8) - The Cape Province branch of South Africa's ruling National Party (NP) became on Monday the party's third provincial formation to open its membership to all races, correspondents said.

The NP Cape congress in this eastern port city decided unaminously to follow in the footsteps of the Natal and Free State congresses which recently took a similar decision, the South African news agency Sapa said.

The Transvaal congress of the NP meets in Pretoria at the end of next week and is expected to follow suit.

Newly re-elected Cape leader of the NP, and Mineral and Energy Affairs Minister, Dr. Dawie de Villiers, thanked delegates for their support for the leadership's request. "I think it is a sensible decision," he said.

The NP came into power in 1948 on a policy of hardline racial segregation which permeated all aspects of South African life. In recent years, however, it has engaged in a process of dismantling apartheid.

-30- 1168
#90281d0370 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (OCT. 8) - Pakistan has asked India to recall four staff members of the Indian Consulate in Karachi because of their "undesirable" activities, officials here said.

The Indians "have been involved in undesirable activities which were totally incompatible with their official status," a foreign ministry statement said Sunday. They will be leaving Pakistan within 10 days, the statement added.

The expulsion announcement came after government claims that it had discovered a plot to disrupt elections on October 24.

India has often been accused here of fomenting ethnic trouble and backing secessionist elements in Pakistan's Sindh province.

New Delhi Pakistani army chief General Mirza Aslam Beg said last month that trained terrorists had infiltrated into Pakistan to destabilize the country and sabotage the elections.

And caretaker Prime Minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi said Monday the government had "solid evidence" about a plot involving the Al-Zulfikar "terrorist" organization to disrupt the elections.

The organization is allegedly headed by Murtaza Ali Bhutto, brother of ousted Pakistani premier Benazir Bhutto.

Mr. Bhutto went into exile after the 1977 overthrow of his father Zulfikar Ali Bhutto by the late military ruler Mohammed Zia ul-Haq.

Talking to foreign correspondents, Mr. Jatoi said some of the Al-Zulfikar members had received terrorist training in India.

-30- 1624
#90281d0420 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (OCT. 8) - Jordan could transform its home guard into a semi-official institution to alleviate growing unemployment triggered by the Gulf crisis, Labour Minister Ghassem Obeidat said here Monday.

Mr. Obeidat told Agence France-Presse that a national fund could be set up to finance the guard.

"This army would offer support for Jordanian regular forces, particularly in the present situation caused by the Gulf crisis, and would help to control the unemployment problem," he said.

Mr. Obeidat said thousands of jobless men are already enrolled in the guard at

a time when official statistics put the nationwide number of unemployed at 100,000 people from a work force of 600,000.

The Gulf tension has exacerbated unemployment, with tens of thousands of Jordanians expected to return home from Iraq, Kuwait and other Gulf states, according to some reports.

Members of the guard could earn 70-80 dinars (about 100-115 dollars) a month, Mr. Obeidat said, adding that women would not be allowed to join the force.

The force is currently estimated to number 15,000, according to the London-based Institute of Strategic Studies. There are no official figures.

-30- 1383

#90281d0480 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 8) - The Dalai Lama held his first official meeting with the French government when he met Culture Minister Jack Lang here on Monday.

Although the spritual leader of the world's 11 million Buddhists has paid several previous visits to France, most notably to Strasbourg in May 1988 to address the European Parliament, French government officials have been careful never to meet him officially for fear of upsetting China.

The Dalai Lama, who was on a two-day visit to France to promote his book of memoirs, accompanied Mr. Lang to a show of Himalayan art at the city's Asian Art museum and also saw the museum's permanent exhibition of Tibetan art which will soon re-open to the public after extensive restoration.

Earlier in the day the Dalai Lama had a half-hour meeting with the speaker of the French parliament, Laurent Fabius. In the afternoon he was due to meet France's junior foreign minister, Edwige Avice.

-30- 1126

#90281d0490 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MBABANE (OCT. 8) - The United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) said here Monday there were 32,365 South African and Mozambican refugees in Swaziland, an increase of almost 4,000 from earlier this year.

The majority were from Mozambique, from where about 300 refugees enter Swaziland every month, a UNHCR spokesman said.

But several hundred young South African refugees had also entered Swaziland to escape violence-troubled areas in their country, the spokesman added.

Most of the South Africans had been flown to other countries, mainly Zambia, where they expected to be cared for and given education and training by the

African National Congress.

-30- 860

#90281d0590 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 8) - Suffering among South African children has reached shocking proportions in some areas, echoing the plight of children in Latin America, social workers and psychologists said here Monday.

They said in interviews carried by the Star newspaper that child labour and prostitution were on the rise, and children were increasingly joining in the violence currently wracking black townships.

Johannesburg Child Welfare Society (JCWS) Director Adele Thomas said there had been several cases in the past two weeks of parents selling their children into prostitution to make money, the Star newspaper reported.

Child labour seemed to be on the increase, Dr. Thomas said, quoting reports of child labour on farms and in the coal yards of Soweto black township adjoining Johannesburg.

Children as young as six were being made to do menial work such as street vending and hawking, she said, attributing the upsurge in child labour to the economic slump in South Africa.

Economists predict a zero economic growth rate for the country this year.

Also, the wave of recent black-on-black violence in townships around here which has seen nearly 800 people killed since August 13 has caused severe trauma among black children, psychologist Lloyd Vogelman told the Star.

Mr. Vogelman, the director of Witwatersrand University's project on violence, said young children were increasingly taking part in the violence.

In an interview with Agence France-Presse last month, he said many children had become sensitized to violence in battle zones.

"They believe one resolves conflict by killing," Mr. Vogelman said, adding that few parents or community leaders were able to control the young.

In Soweto alone, hundreds of children were being found suffering from acute post-traumatic stress disorders following detention by police and township violence, Dr. Thomas told the Star.

She said this stemmed from a fear of annihilation, and resulted months later in suicide, paranoia, neurosis, nightmares and drug addiction.

-30- 2277
#90281d0600 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DJIBOUTI (OCT. 8) - About 30 armed men, half of them wearing Somali army uniforms, crossed the border eight kilometres (four miles) into Djibouti on Sunday in the Day Day region with the intention of attacking frontier troops, the army high command said here Monday.

A 15-man Djibouti patrol spotted the intruders and chased them back, with an exchange of fire occurring in the Goubed plain in Djibouti. The Somalis fired seven rocket-propelled grenades and tried unsuccessfully to make off with a herd of cattle, the military said.

There were no casualties.

The president's office has sent an official note to Mogadishu to protest about the "inadmissible" violation of Djibouti's territory.

In the past few weeks, Somali soldiers have opened fire on nomads and attempted to steal livestock from the Djibouti side, the army noted.

-30- 1009
#90281d0620 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (OCT 8) - German Chancellor Helmut Kohl on Monday called for greater investment in the former East Germany, and warned its bosses and workers there was a long way to go before its economy was rebuilt.

Mr. Kohl was addressing a pan-German economic conference here five days after German reunification.

He told senior economic officials of the five regions of the former communist state, as well as unions and businessmen, that road and rail infrastructure were needed, jobs must be created, towns must be made more attractive and pollution cut.

An encouraging sign, he added, was the fact that 170,000 new jobs had been created in the former East Germany since the beginning of the year.

But the president of the powerful German trades union federation DGB, Heinz-Werner Meyer, complained that investment promised to the region during a previous similar meeting had not materialised.

Businessmen had promised during the last pan-German economic conference in June that they would invest massively in East Germany once German economic and monetary union took effect on July 1.

But West German businesses had not kept this promise, focussing instead on "doing more business, instead of accomplishing the historic task of helping the

five new Lands (the East German regions) to economic recovery," Mr. Meyer said.

The difference between the extra profits West German business was reaping in the former East Germany and the amount of investment they had been willing to put in should "make West German business leaders blush with shame," he said.

Representatives of former West German industry at Monday's meeting included the bosses of chemicals concern Bayer, electrical engineering concern Siemens, the country's second largest industrial group, and auto group BMW.

German businesses attending the meeting pledged to send 100 managers into the former East Germany within the next fortnight, chancellery officials said.

The managers would be given the job of helping the Treuhandanstalt, the holding company responsible for privatising industry in the former communist state, with its work.

The holding would set up within the next month four consultative committees on which both business leaders and unions would be represented, the officials added.

-30- 2513

#90281d0630 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT 8) - The German airline Lufthansa will begin flights between Berlin and 17 European cities - seven of them in Germany -on October 28, German Transportation Minister Friedrich Zimmermann announced Monday.

Zimmermann said that Pan Am, Air France and British Airways -which had a monopoly of flights to and from West Berlin owing to former Allied control over the city - would essentially continue their previous level of service for the time being.

The non-German cities Lufthansa will fly to from Berlin are Milan, Vienna, Zurich, London, Madrid, Barcelona, Paris, Stockholm, Helsinki and Moscow.

-30- 805

#90281d0730 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (OCT. 8) - Heavy fighting continued for the third straight day Monday on the southern outskirts of Kabul, a government spokesman said as mujahedeen gunners broke a five-day lull and pounded the city with rockets.

Security forces have been locked in combat 40 kilometres (25 miles) south of the center of the Afghan capital since Saturday and fighting was still raging, the spokesman said.

The fighting broke out when government forces intercepted two mujahedeen

infantry units moving towards the capital and killed at least 15 of them.

The foreign ministry spokesman said 47 cases of ammunition were captured from the resistance units Monday. As he spoke, several rockets hit different parts of the capital. Diplomats said there were about five explosions an hour.

It was not immediately clear if anyone was hurt in the latest rocket barrage.

The government said it had intelligence reports that the guerrillas were trying to step up rocket attacks before winter, but security forces were prepared to meet the threat.

In the eastern province of Nangarhar, bordering Pakistan, government forces continued battling guerrillas who tried to attack security posts just south of Jalalabad, the battle-scarred capital of the province, the spokesman said.

At least 10 mujahedeen, including the commander for Jalalabad, Zahid Ibrahimi of the Heszb-i-Islami group, were killed by troops backed by heavy artillery and aerial cover Saturday, he said.

The spokesman discounted guerrilla claims that they had captured three security posts in Nangarhar.

Troops were fanning out of Jalalabad towards Surkh Dewar (Red Wall) village, known for its historic Buddhist monuments, despite guerrilla resistance, the official said.

The mujahedeen are fighting to overthrow the Soviet-backed regime of President Najibullah, which they brand a vestige of Soviet occupation. More than a million people have lost their lives during the war.

-30- 2169

#90281d0760 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (OCT 8) - The Guinean Embassy here had to be closed down Monday after it was stormed by hundreds of Guinean refugees from war-torn Liberia anxious to get home, officials said.

They were among 3,000 refugees, mainly from Sierra Leone, Guinea and Nigeria, who were brought into Freetown late Sunday from Monrovia on board the Ghanaian merchant ship Tano River.

They bring to 6,000 the number of West African nationals who have been evacuated over the last nine days from Monrovia, where a 10-month civil war is still raging.

Two of the refugees told Agence France-Presse that ten people, five of them children, had died from hunger and malnutrition during the 24-hour trip from

Monrovia to Freetown.

The refugees paralysed work at the quay as they disembarked from the Tano River. Many were frail and malnourished, and 130 of them were reportedly admitted into a medical centre here.

Some 300 Ghanaians, mostly women and children, left here Monday for Accra on the Tano River. The Ghanaian Embassy here said they had been marooned on Sulima, an offshore island in Sierra Leone, for about a month.

A Nigerian diplomat said plans to take about 800 Nigerians home to Lagos were now underway.

Meanwhile, an intensive sea search resumed Monday for the bodies of about 60 Guinean refugees who drowned when a Guinean gunboat sank off the West African coast four days ago after reportedly hitting a sandbank.

They were among hundreds of people being taken home to Conakry after being evacuated from Monrovia. The search for the bodies was being conducted by Guinean officials and two Soviet boats based in Conakry.

According to one unconfirmed newspaper report, many of the refugees on board had died of hunger before the accident, and their bodies had been thrown overboard.

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#90281d0830 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LOME (OCT. 8) - Lawyers in Togo started a 72-hour strike here on Monday to protest at the way the army broke up a demonstration in the capital last week, leaving four people dead and 34 injured.

There was no immediate government reaction to the strike decision by the bar association, which was being backed by most of the capital's 73 attorneys.

After the violence last Friday, lawyers had a meeting with President Gnassingbe Eyadema to voice their "indignation" at the way troops had forcefully evacuated people from the law courts, where two men were given maximum five-year jail terms for distributing anti-government leaflets.

An official communique issued late Saturday said that before troops opened fire, demonstrators had attacked six police stations and seized arms and ammunition.

The head of Togo's bar association and president of the country's Human Rights League, Kokou Koffigoh, described a government claim that there had been a plot fomented from outside the country as "false" and "lies".

Mr. Koffigoh and the president of an official National Commission of Human Rights, Mr. Agboyibor, said about 6,000 demonstrators had gathered at the court building, singing the country's former national anthem and traditional religious airs.

A "horde" of soldiers then attacked the demonstrators in a "premeditated act", Mr. Koffigoh said.

The interior minister, General Yao Mawuliklimi, had said Friday's violence was part of an "international machination". He said 92 foreigners were among the 170 people arrested.

One lawyer said: "The people demonstrated in favour of change. That's all."

The country's lawyers were Monday drawing up an analysis of the situation for submission to the president's office Tuesday.

Lome was meanwhile quiet Monday, although a helicopter flew low several times over the city.

-30- 2065
#90281d0930 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 8) - France is sending 100 gendarmes to French Guiana in South America to help police the river border with Suriname which is fighting a rebel insurgency, a senior defense official said here Monday.

A first squadron arrived Sunday, on orders of Prime Minister Michel Rocard, and "others are expected imminently", secretary of state for defense Gerard Renon told France-Antilles newspaper in an interview to appear Tuesday.

Rebels on the other side of the border have been fighting governments of Suriname, a former Dutch colony, since 1986.

Mr. Renon said the gendarmes would patrol along the Maroni River and help administer refugee camps in the "sensitive region".

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#90281d0940 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 8) - Germany on Monday ratified the treaty which will return it to full official sovereignty once the four allied powers that occupied post-war Germany have also ratified it.

Pending their ratification, however, Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States agreed to suspend their rights over Germany as of October 3 when the two Germanies united.

The treaty was signed by foreign ministers of the two German states and the four allied powers in Moscow on September 12.

German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said he was pleased Germany was the first to ratify the document, which "binds us for the future to a policy of responsibility, of European unification and of keeping the peace."

Walter Momper, leader of the Bundesrat, said the treaty was "a building plan for the future European home."

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#90281d1110 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT 8) - There are still 93 Soviet military experts in Iraq but they will return home as soon as their contracts are up, the Soviet defence ministry, quoted by the Soviet paper Izvestia, said Monday.

Some 123 military experts have returned home since August 1, and were able to do so without the Soviet Union making any concessions to Iraq, the newspaper said.

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#90281d1160 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT 8) - South African Airways (SAA) and Kenya Airlines are to introduce weekly flights between here and Nairobi in December, SAA said in a statement here Monday.

SAA chief executive Gert van der Veer said the move was "a further step on the road to the normalisation of relationships between South Africa and other African countries".

Meanwhile, the Star newspaper reported here Monday that the Ivory Coast was likely to become the second African country after Malawi to establish diplomatic ties with South Africa.

In August, economic ties between South Africa and Madagascar were restored.

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#90281d1260 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT 8) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward Copper 1,455.00 (1,476.00) 1,395.50 (1,507.50) Lead 418.00 (430.00) 407.50 (421.50) Zinc Sh 1,407.50 (1,434.50) 1,391.00 (1,412.50) Tin (in dollars)

6,190.00 (6,200.00) 6,255.00 (6,245.00) Aluminium (in dollars)

2,007.50 (1,985.00) 1,850.50 (1,834.00) Nickel (in dollars)

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#90281d1320 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (OCT 8) - Military authorities have arrested a member of Burma's leading opposition party on charges of printing and distributing illegal anti-government material, Radio Rangoon said Monday.

U Maung Maung, 40, provisional member of the National League for Democracy (NLD) excutive committee in the central township of Yenang Chaung, was arrested on September 6, the radio said in a broadcast monitored here.

The official radio said he was alleged to have written and distributed anti-government pamphlets criticizing, slandering and ridiculing leaders of the military government and fomenting mistrust of the nation's defence services.

The material was said to be aimed at creating instability in the nation.

The state-run radio earlier said six senior NLD leaders, including acting chairman Kyi Maung, were arrested on the same date in the capital Rangoon and in the northern city of Mandalay.

The NLD won a landslide victory in the May general election held by the military junta which seized power in a September 1988 coup after crushing a student-led nationwide pro-democracy movement.

Since the elections, the military has refused to hand over power to the NLD.

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#90281d1350 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 8) - Hostility between two rival South African black nationalist movements escalated here Monday when the Pan Africanist Congress (PAC) launched a blistering attack on the African National Congress (ANC).

The PAC threatened in a statement to evict ANC activists from a PAC camp in un unnamed African state following criticism from Chris Hani, leader of the ANC's military wing.

The PAC has developed as a smaller and more radical organisation than Nelson Mandela's ANC since it split from the ANC in 1960.

The rivalry between the two organisations has become more acute this year since both organisations were unbanned earlier this year and the ANC agreed to

enter talks with Pretoria on a new apartheid-free constitution.

PAC political secretary Mpolose Manqangwana said in a statement: "We are warning Mr. Hani that if he does not forthwith discontinue attacking us, we will evict his cadres from our camp and reduce them to squatters."

The PAC would not say in which African country its camp was situated, but maintained that it had taken in ANC exiles when the ANC was "kicked out".

For 30 years while fighting a guerrilla war against apartheid, both organisations have had guerrilla and refugee camps in various African countries.

At the weekend, Mr. Hani attacked the PAC for its "dismal liberation record" and said it had made nowhere near the contribution the ANC's military wing had made in bringing Pretoria to the negotiating table.

Mr. Hani also claimed that Tanzania had expelled the PAC from its camp in that country because it had "only 14 people" and that the PAC was also "driven out of Uganda because they couldn't form an army".

In his statement, Mr. Manqangwana reiterated the PAC's stand that "the ANC is selling out" black people by engaging in dialogue with the government on a future constitution.

PAC general secretary Benny Alexander said at a public forum Sunday that the PAC had not only rejected the government's offer of talks but vowed to continue "armed struggle" against any compromise regime that emerged from the talks.

The PAC has not reacted officially to the government's offer that it join in negotiations on South Africa's future. It is due to do so after its congress in Harare next month.

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#90281d1400 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 8) - Egypt called on the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) here Monday to draw up sanctions against Iraq because of its invasion of Kuwait.

Without specifying what kind of action he had in mind, the Egyptian representative on UNESCO's executive council, Abdel Hamid, said the organisation should do what it could to support peace and "repress the aggressor".

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#90281d1460 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUXEMBOURG (EEC) (OCT. 8) - Finance ministers of the 12 EEC nations Monday welcomed the entry of sterling into the Exchange Rate Mechanism (ERM) of the European Monetary System but questioned the manner in which it was done.

Mario Sarcinelli, head of the Italian treasury and chairman of the EEC's monetary committee, criticised Britain's haste in announcing the move. He was backed by European Commission president Jacques Delors, sources said here.

The British government did not wait for the European Economic Community's monetary committee to meet before announcing an exchange rate for sterling of 2.95 Deutsche marks and a fluctuation margin of 6 per cent instead of the 2.25 per cent used by most other currencies in the ERM.

The ERM keeps tight control over fluctuations in EEC currencies, ensuring the exchange rate between them stays in a narrow band.

But John Major, Britain's Chancellor of the Exchequer, said the pound would join the narrower fluctuation rate gradually. He said he was pleased at the "warm welcome" given sterling's entry into the ERM by his colleagues.

Mr. Major said all Britain's EEC partners had found sterling's exchange rate and fluctation margin "wise". He dismissed as "illogical" Mr. Delors' comment that sterling's entry into the ERM could endanger European monetary union.

In apparent contradiction to Mr. Hurd's comments, Dutch Finance Minister Wim Kok said he and his colleagues had been "a little surprised, to put it politely," at the way the British government had managed the affair.

"It must not happen again," he said, stressing that the British attitude could "give us reasons to worry."

But Mr. Kok added that sterling's entry into the ERM was "a positive move, even if Britain has not changed its (negative) attitude towards European monetary union."

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher has frequently said that moves towards monetary union should not move as far and fast as Mr. Delors would like.

French Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy, however, recalled that the Spanish peseta's entry into the ERM in June 1989 had also been decided before the monetary committee had met to discuss the measure, although the announcement had come only after the committee had met.

"It's a step forward, but there will need to be others," he said, adding that there were still "fundamental problems" which needed to be solved during an inter-governmental conference on monetary union in mid-December in Rome.

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#90281d1490 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (OCT. 8) - Fighting took place early Monday in Rwanda between rebels who have invaded the country and an expeditionary force sent by neighbouring Zaire, the Belgian news agency Belga said, quoting the Zairean news agency AZAP.

A member of the Rwandan government armed forces and two Zaireans were killed in the two hours of fighting round the town of Gabiro in northern Rwanda, according to the report.

Despite their superior numbers, the rebels then retreated with the Zaireans pursuing them, it said.

Zaire last week sent a force of 500 elite troops to Rwanda to help the government counter the invaders who came from Uganda on September 30.

Rwanda's President Juvenal Habyarimana left Kinshasa Monday afternoon after a five-hour visit for consultations, during which he thanked Zaire's leader Mobutu Seso Seko for the Zairean help, AZAP said.

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#90281d1540 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 8) - A total of 682,000 people have quit the Soviet Communist Party in the first eight months of this year, Tass news agency reported Monday quoting deputy party leader Vladimir Ivashko.

Some 371,000 left in the first half of the year and a further 311,000 left in July-August after the 28th party congress, Mr. Ivashko told a plenum of the party's central committee here.

The communist party, however, remains the principal political force in the Soviet Union with just over 18 million members.

Speaking of relations between the 15 Soviet republics, Mr. Ivashko also acknowledged that "the union no longer exists -- not in its old form, nor in a new one".

There was no use in lamenting a system which had outlived itself, but it was now necessary to set up a new federation of sovereign states, he added.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, the government and republican leaders are currently working on a draft of a new union treaty which Moscow wants adopted by December.

#90281d1560 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) - An avowed racist who espouses virtually everything America rejects, David Duke came within a hair's breadth of the nation's third highest elective office: a U.S. Senate seat.

Many nervous politicians are asking how the former Grand Dragon of the white supremist Ku Klux Klan (KKK), who was disavowed by his Republican Party's leaders, made such a strong showing in Louisiana and what it means for American politics.

Mr. Duke was unable to unseat Democrat Bennett Johnston in Saturday's election. But he emerged with an astonishingly high 44 per cent of the vote, almost twice that predicted in polls. He got 60 per cent of the white vote, which some analysts said signals a white voter backlash.

Few believe that Mr. Johnston would have won the election if the Republican Party's own candidate, Ben Bagert, had not at the last minute stepped aside and thrown his support to Mr. Johnston in an attempt to derail Mr. Duke.

"This is just the beginning," Mr. Duke said the day after his defeat, amid speculation that he would next challenge Louisiana Governor Buddy Roemer for that post.

"We are going to go on defending the cause of the majority in this country," said Mr. Duke, 40.

Mr. Duke won a seat in the state legislature two years ago and has since become an embarrassment to the Republican Party of President George Bush because of his KKK leadership during the 1970s and his links to members of the American Nazi Party.

Mr. Johnston's camp tried to capitalize on his opponent's past, showing old film footage of him in the Ku Klux Klan's flowing white, hooded robes saluting a burning cross -- both of which have become symbols group.

But Mr. Duke's populist appeal in his largely rural southern state on the Mississippi River Delta has transcended his past.

At one political rally after another, he draws rousing applause by systematically attacking racial integration and affirmative action programs aimed at advancing minorities in employment and education.

He has taken his message deep into the heart of Louisiana's Cajun country, into depressed industrial communities and rural parishes where a constituency of poor, unemployed or underemployed whites with minimal edcation have embraced him with enthusiasm.

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#90281d1620 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (OCT. 8) - The German embassy in Kuwait is to be closed within the next few days and the personnel still there transferred to Baghdad, a foreign ministry spokesman confirmed here Monday.

He said the measure was necessary because lack of supplies made continuing work at the embassy impossible.

There are believed to be five people still at the German embassy in Kuwait.

The spokesman stressed that the closure of the embassy did not mean that Bonn was breaking off diplomatic relations with Kuwait, which was invaded by Iraq on August 2.

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#90281d1650 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 8) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev delivered his strongest-ever declaration of faith in the free market economy here Monday and called on ''all progressive, patriotic forces'' in the country to form a coalition with the communists.

Talking at a plenary meeting of the Communist Party Central Committee, Gorbachev said ''the state property monopoly'' in the Soviet Union was the ''source of many social and economic ills''.

At the same time, in a remark directed at separatist tendencies in the Soviet Union, Gorbachev warned against a '''Lebanonisation' of the country with all its consequences''.

The Kremlin boss urged the party to help Soviet society ''cast off its resentment and fear of the free market economy''. He also called for the meeting to be extended for a further day owing to the time needed to discuss the full agenda.

Gorbachev said the three-point programme for the transformation of the Soviet planned economy he is due to present to parliament October 15, was ''not a compromise document which has had all its sharp edges honed down but rather a programme which can consolidate all levels of society.''

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#90281d1690 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (OCT. 8) - The Soviet embassy here on Monday began preparations for the departure of 1,500 Soviet citizens over the next month, Soviet sources said.

An agreement on their repatriation followed talks here last week between Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and an advisor to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, Evgeni Primakov.

The 1,500 people are to leave Baghdad aboard special flights by Soviet aircraft, the embassy sources added.

Officials in Moscow earlier Monday announced the return of 126 Soviet workers from Iraq aboard an Aeroflot airliner.

Soviet sources in Baghdad said 3,500 Soviet nationals working in oil installations preferred to stay in Iraq.

Prior to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2 there were an estimated 8,000 Soviet citizens residing in Iraq, of whom roughly 5,000 remain.

Soviet authorities before Mr. Primakov's visit had complained that their nationals wishing to leave Baghdad were encountering delays and difficulties.

But newspapers in Moscow said President Hussein assured Mr. Primakov that his government was not obstructing the departure of Soviet citizens.

Iraq is however holding nationals from Western countries and Japan whose leaders have supported a huge military buildup in the Gulf region as part of a campaign to force Iraqi troops to leave Kuwait.

The Soviet newspaper Izvestia meanwhile reported Monday that 93 Soviet military experts were still in Iraq but would return home at the end of their contracts.

Moscow, once a key political and military ally of Iraq, has actively backed United Nations sanctions against Baghdad and has repeatedly denounced its invasion of Kuwait.

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#90281d1700 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAHORE, PAKISTAN (OCT. 8) - A high court here Monday turned down a petition by a group of lawyers seeking postponement of a general election in Pakistan on October 24, court sources said.

A full bench of the Lahore High Court dismissed the plea because, it said, the petitioners had no grounds for their case.

The group sought the postponement on the grounds that many candidates had not been actively campaigning because of uncertainty surrounding the legality of the election.

The national assembly and four provincial legislatures were dissolved by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan when he sacked the government of Benazir Bhutto on August 6 on charges of corruption and abuse of power.

But Ms. Bhutto's Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) has taken the issue to the higher courts pleading that the action was illegal.

One of the country's four high courts last month declared the dissolution of the North West Frontier Province assembly illegal and ordered its reinstatement.

The judgement was stayed by the supreme court on a petition by the interim government. The PPP has moved the supreme court to review its decision and the case will be heard in court in Rawalpindi on Tuesday.

Meanwhile, in Karachi on Monday, a superior court found the detention of a former provincial minister belonging to Mrs. Bhutto's party to be illegal and ordered his release, officials said.

Syed Khurshid Shah, former Sindh province minister for education, was arrested last month under laws providing for the detention of people suspected of posing a threat to public order.

The Sindh High Court said the authorities had been unable to substantiate the grounds for his detention.

Mr. Shah is a candidate of Ms. Bhutto's PPP in the forthcoming elections.

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#90281d1710 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT. 8) - Anti-government rebels in Somalia say their fighters have totally destroyed a government garrison in the north-west of the country near Hargeisa killing 65 ''enemy soldiers'' and wounding another 105.

''Radio Snm'' of the Somali National Movement said in a broadcast Monday that the attack on the government garrison of Gebiley took place last Thursday and fierce fighting was still raging in the town.

Twelve Snm fighters were killed and 35 suffered minor injuries in the battle, the radio added.

The Snm had captured a number of assault rifles and a quantity of ammunition and destroyed two ''enemy tanks'', an armoured car, a jeep and a lorry.

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#90281d1760 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (OCT. 8) - One person was killed and at least 200 others were injured in weekend rioting in Dhaka sparked by a 50 percent hike in bus fares, Bangladeshi police said Monday.

The death was reportedly caused when a man who had refused to pay the increased fare was pushed from a moving bus.

Rioting erupted Saturday and police used force to disperse mobs in the Bangladeshi capital's central Gulistan Square. Five buses were said to have been damaged.

Hospital officials said one driver was hurt in a stabbing and 50 others were injured Monday morning as commuters clashed with bus operators demanding the new fares.

Homemade bombs were hurled at buses in the southern port of Chittagong, where passengers attacked shops and set up roadblocks with burning tyres, police said.

Riot police were deployed in Dhaka for the second day Monday as university students called a protest demonstration against the fare hike.

The government had announced a 75 percent increase in the price of petrol and diesel fuel to meet additional import costs of crude oil due to the Gulf crisis.

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#90281d1770 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JASPER, Ontario (OCT. 8) - Canadian Secretary of State for External Affairs Joe Clark Monday praised the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) as a force for moderation and peace.

Mr. Clark made his comments at the closing ceremony of the four-day meeting here in the Canadian Rockies attended by foreign ministers from Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

ASEAN "has developped into a flexible organization for cooperation and dialogue among its members and others on a variety of regional and global issues, both economic and political," Mr. Clark said.

The Canadian foreign minister said the success of the Calgary and Jasper meetings underscored the growing political and economic ties between Canada and ASEAN.

Last Friday in Calgary, Canada signed five new assistance agreements with ASEAN aimed at strengthening Canada's commitment to development in the region.

The discussions with Canadian officials marked the first time that all foreign ministers of ASEAN had met outside of Asia.

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#90281d1880 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz said Monday Baghdad was willing to let all western foreigners leave the country freely if U.S. President George Bush ''makes an explicit pledge that he is not going to wage war against Iraq.

Speaking in an interview with the U.S. television network Cnn, Aziz stressed however that this offer had nothing to do with Washington's demand that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait.

He said that Kuwait was part of Iraq and had been reunited with it. The former Kuwaitis were now Iraqis and were free to travel as they pleased.

Aziz noted that Bush had stated that the U.S. forces had been sent to the Gulf to protect Saudi Arabia from an Iraqi threat. He, Aziz, was able firmly to pledge that Iraq was not in Kuwait to threaten Saudi Arabia.

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#90281d1900 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT ELIZABETH, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 8) - President Frederik de Klerk Monday ruled out the concept of "simplistic majority rule" for South Africa, the national news agency said.

Opening the Cape province congress of the ruling National Party (NP) he said his government had repeatedly rejected the concept but believed in power-sharing.

He accused rightwing Conservative Party leader Andries Treurnicht of "gross misrepresentation" when he tried to create the impression the government was in favor of "simplistic majority rule".

The NP believed in power-sharing, Mr. de Klerk said, as it would not allow a majority to abuse power.

The government's attitude to the ANC, and all other organisations, was clear: it wanted to negotiate a new constitution for all political leaders with substantial support, and this included the ANC, he said.

Lasting peace in South Africa, however, would only be attained when "the public at large rejected intimidation, killing in the streets and the burning of houses and public facilities", he said.

While such methods continued to be justified by leaders, lasting peace would continue to evade the country, he added.

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#90281d1940 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (OCT. 8) - Saudi troops are now deployed along the Saudi-Yemeni boarder in southern Saudi Arabia, Defense Minister Prince Sultan bin Abdel Aziz revealed here Monday.

It was the first such disclosure by Saudi authorities, who have made no secret of their annoyance with what they perceive to be Yemeni sympathy for Iraq in the current Gulf crisis.

Prince Sultan, speaking during a meeting of the Saudi cabinet, hailed "the high level and the competence of displayed by Saudi troops as they took up positions on the southern border of the country."

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#90281d1950 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABOARD THE USS BLUE RIDGE (OCT. 8) - Western naval forces have intercepted more than 2,000 Iraqi cargo vessels and boarded 207 since the United Nations approved sanctions on Iraq following its August 2 invasion of Kuwait, a senior U.S. Navy officer said here Monday.

Vice-Admiral Henry Mauz, commander of the U.S. 7th fleet in the Pacific, said most of the search operations had been conducted by U.S. vessels participating in an international blockade against Baghdad.

Speaking to journalists aboard the USS Blue Ridge off Bahrain, he said a small number of Iraqi cargo ships were still waiting in Yemeni ports for an opportunity to return to Iraq.

Admiral Mauz disclosed that the United States had deployed 56 ships carrying 46,000 sailors and Marines in the Gulf, the Red Sea and the Gulf of Oman.

"Our mission is to defend our friends, the Saudis, and all other Gulf countries" in addition to enforcing the trade embargo, he stressed.

No mines have yet been detected in the Gulf, he said, adding that "three of our minesweepers are operating 24 hours a day to be sure that the water is clean."

At present, according to Admiral Mauz, "the Iraqis limit their naval activities to their territorial waters and those of Kuwait. They're concentrating on coastal defense."

-30- 1498
#90281d1990 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GENEVA (OCT. 8) - The International Commission of Jurists and its affiliate on the West Bank, Al-Haq, called on the Israeli authorities Monday to "to refrain from the use of unjustified lethal force and to bring the actions of their agents into conformity with accepted international standards and norms."

They also appealed to states signatory to the Fourth Geneva Convention of 1949 to ensure that humanitarian protection under the convention is respected by the Israeli authorities.

Speaking of the carnage Monday in Jerusalem, they said: "In contravention of Article 16 of the Fourth Geneva Convention Relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War of August 12, 1949, Israeli military and police personnel obstructed ambulances transporting wounded, leading in at least one case to a death that could have been avoided."

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#90281d2010 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SANAA (OCT. 8) - PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat arrived here Monday aboard a regularly scheduled Jordanian airliner after his special plane, according to a newspaper in Amman, had been refused permission to enter Saudi airspace.

The newspaper Saout al-Shaab, citing Palestinian sources, said Mr. Arafat was forced to fly Royal Jordanian from Amman, where he arrived Sunday aboard a special Libyan aircraft for a 24-hour visit, after the Saudi ban became known.

Here in Yemen the head of the Palestine Liberation Organization met with President Ali Abdallah Saleh for talks on the Gulf tension and the "presence of foreign troops in the region," Palestinian sources said.

Both leaders expressed "deep concern" about the Western military buildup in the region, which they said "endangers the security of the Arab nation," according to Palestinian sources.

Mr. Arafat and the government of Yemen have criticized the Iraqi invasion, although not with the same force as other Arab states.

In addition, they have been critical of a Saudi decision to accept U.S. and other Western ground forces as part of an effort to defend the kingdom against any Iraqi attack.

-30- 1378
#90281d2100 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (OCT. 8) - The German central Bundesbank Monday firmly denied a Financial Times report that it was preparing an internal plan for achieving European economic and monetary union (EMU) along lines proposed by the British Chancellor of the Exchequer.

"No new Bundesbank document exists concerning the upcoming phases of European monetary union," a bank spokesman said.

The spokesman said the Financial Times article referred to an old Danish proposal which the Bundesbank had commented on.

"But there is no new Bundesbank document. Our position remains the one described two weeks ago by our president Karl Otto Poehl," the spokesman said.

Mr. Poehl said he would not fix a date for the second phase of European monetary union, on grounds that things had to develop naturally.

He firmly rejected January 1, 1993, the date preferred by the executive commission of the European Economic Community and some EEC countries, notably France and Italy, for the process to begin.

The British proposal for a hard Ecu (European Currency Unit) is to allow the Ecu to be used widely alongside, and in competition with, other EEC currencies. Britain is opposed to the most urgent calls for moves towards EMU including rapid development of the Ecu as the only currency in the EEC.

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#90281d2330 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (OCT 8) - An Iraqi tanker was diverted to a port by U.S., British and Australian warships on Monday after it was found to be carrying rice, flour and other cargo violating the economic embargo of Iraq, U.S. military officials said.

The 33,600-ton Iraqi-registered vessel, the Tadmur, was on its way to Iraq's southern port of Basra when it was intercepted in the North Arabian Sea by the British frigate Brazen, the U.S. guided missile destroyer Goldsborough and an Australian vessel, the Darwin, they said.

A U.S. military spokesman said: "We don't know where the cargo was loaded but the markings on the rice bags indicate it was grown in the United States and shipped to Jordan."

The U.S. military said in a statement that the Tadmur was taken to an unidentified "non-prohibited" port "after a multi-national boarding team discovered significant quantities of rice, flour and other prohibited cargo aboard the ship."

Royal Navy marines boarded the ship from a helicopter, according to U.S. military officials, and U.S. Coast Guard and navy personnel also took part in the search.

According to a U.S. Navy spokesman, the Tadmur had been stopped once previously by warships enforcing the U.N. embargo on trade with Iraq.

On that occasion, the Iraqi tanker was intercepted in the Red Sea, was found to be empty and was allowed to continue its journey. U.S. military officials said no shots were fired during Monday's boarding of the Tadmur.

In another interception of an Iraqi cargo ship on Monday off the coast of Oman warning shots were fired across the bow of the vessel, the Al Wasitti.

The Al Wasitti was intercepted at dawn about 60 nautical miles north-east of Muscat by the British frigates HMS Battleaxe and HMS London and U.S. and Australian warships, British military authorities said.

Warning shots were fired across the bow of the Iraq ship by the U.S., British and Australian warships when it ignored repeated requests to stop, they said.

The ship was found to be empty during a search by Royal Marines and a U.S. Coast Guard party and allowed to proceed, they added.

An international flotilla of warships has been assembled in the Gulf region to enforce the economic embargo imposed on Iraq by the U.N. Security Council following its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90281d2430 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (OCT 8) - Israel came in for angry criticism Monday at an emergency session of the United Nations Security Council called to debate the death of more than 20 Palestinians at bloody clashes in Jerusalem only hours earlier.

Several speakers, among them the Chinese and Soviet delegates,urged a clear condemnation of Israel following one of the worst days of violence since the start of the Palestinian uprising in the Israeli-occupied territories three years ago.

Israel's U.N. ambassador Johanan Bein accused the Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo) of having staged a ''premeditated ambush'' on Jews in Jerusalem order to distract attention from Iraqi aggression against Kuwait.

Leader of the Palestine observer mission at the U.N., Zohdi Labib Terzi, accused the Israelis of wanting to destroy Moslem holy relics. Israeli zealots had wanted to lay the foundation stone of a new Jewish temple near a Moslem mosque on the walled platform, known as Temple Mount. Arabs who tried to

prevent the move, were mown down by police, said Terzi.

The Palestine representative called for a U.N. commission to be dispatched to Jerusalem immediately in order to investigate Monday's incident.

Soviet U.N. ambassador Yuli Voronzov demanded ''effective measures to ensure the safety of those people who are living in the occupied territories''. The situation should be ''unconditionally condemned,'' he added.

A draft resolution calling for Israel to be upbraided for its ''criminal act'' in Jerusalem and the sending of a Security Council investigative committee to the occupied territories was said to be circling at the United Nations Monday.

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#90281d2530 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (OCT 8) - The last 82 Brazilians who were held involuntarily in Iraq arrived Monday in Brasilia aboard an Iraqi Airways Boeing 707 after Brazilian officials negotiated for their release, officials said.

After the Brazilians got off the plane, the Iraqi Airways crew came out displaying a huge photograph of President Saddam Hussein to about 2,000 Brazilians who had gathered at the airport to welcome their returning countrymen.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman said 11 Brazilians had remained in Iraq to monitor maintenance of equipment belonging to the Brazilian Mendes Junior engineering firm.

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#90281d2930 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (OCT. 9) - Singapore is moving closer to adopting a controversial bill that would give its home affairs minister power to crack down on anyone threatening religious harmony in this multiracial city-state.

Despite initial criticisms when the bill was introduced in February, hearings before a select committee last month showed strong public support. Government sources said it was likely to become law early next year.

Although the island republic has known no religious strife for a quarter century, Singapore authorities fear the potential for disruption among a population mixing majority Chinese with Malays and Indians.

The "Maintenance of Religious Harmony Bill" empowers the home minister to bar public speeches by any priest, monk, pastor or Moslem imam judged to be mixing religion and politics or jeopardizing communal peace.

Other potential targets of prohibition orders include those judged to be carrying out subversive activities under the cover of religion, and those who promote disaffection for the president or the government.

Penalties for violators of any order range up to two years in jail, a 10,000 dollar (5,700 U.S.) fine or both. Second offenders face up to three years and a 20,000 dollar (11,400 U.S.) fine.

The minister would be advised by a presidential council for religious harmony. But in perhaps the most controversial feature of the bill, his decision would be final and could not be challenged in court.

At last month's hearings, Trade and Industry Minister Lee Hsien Loong strongly defended bypassing the courts, arguing the need to "move before the damage was done" in the "grey areas" between religion and politics.

"In order to convict there must be proof of crime," said Brigadier General Lee the son of Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew.

"In order to prevent, there may not be proof of crime because the crime may not yet have been committed, but the danger may be down the road."

Goh Chok Tong, first deputy prime minister who will move up to the top spot next month, has called the measure a "very fine" instrument -- better for this purpose than the Internal Security Act which allows for indefinite detention without trial in matters of public order.

But not all are convinced about the religious harmony legislation.

The Singapore Democratic Party (SDP), a small but growing opposition group, rejected outright the bill which its chairman Ling How Doong called "unnecessary and unwarranted."

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#90281d3010 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (OCT. 9) - Seventeen pilots facing layoffs from Air New Zealand have signed up with Malaysian Airlines, MAL's New Zealand manager Philip Krishnan said Tuesday.

Air New Zealand plans to lay off 74 pilots as part of its domestic restructuring at a time when the Malaysian carrier was expanding its fleet, Mr. Krishnan said.

The 17 pilots quit at short notice from Air New Zealand and were in retraining courses in Kuala Lumpur.

He said more New Zealand pilots may shortly join Malaysian Airlines.

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#90281d8690 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 8) - The Chinese government plans to take stock of its vast property holdings, estimated at 1.6 trillion yuan (338.9 billion dollars), during its new Five-Year Plan starting next year, a Shanghai daily says.

Wen Huibao, in its Sunday issue seen here Monday, said that due to loopholes and poor management, the state may own 300 billion yuan (63.5 billion dollars) more than accounted for.

"There are even disputes on whether some property does belong to the state," the newspaper added.

The new Five-Year Plan, to run from 1991 to 1995 inclusive, is the latest in a series of economic blueprints for China's development.

It now is in the drafting stages, pending approval at a Communist Party central committee plenum due to be held before the end of this year.

Four detailed inventories of state property have taken place since communist rule in China began in 1949, while a 1988 estimate has put its total value at 1.6 trillion yuan (338.9 billion dollars).

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#90281d8700 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAKARTA (OCT. 8) - Indonesian private banks have agreed to freeze new branch openings, tighten credit, and set a range of interest rates for deposits and loans to ease competition, a spokesman for the banks said Monday.

The 101 banks grouped in the Association of Private National Banks (Perbanas) reached the agreement at a meeting Saturday in the Central Java town of Jogyakarta, the spokesman said.

Perbanas planned to issued guidelines soon on the range of interest rates for deposits and loans for its members. The freeze on new branch openings would be effective immediately except for those already in the pipeline.

Private banks account for about a third of the Indonesian banking assets.

Besides competing among themselves, they have to take into account seven state-owned banks, which control about 60 per cent of total banking assets, and 11 foreign banks and 15 foreign joint venture banks.

Bankers said the fierce competition unleashed by banking deregulation two years ago has led to severe problems among many large and small institutions.

"If the price war continued and code of ethics are broken, the public would be confused and banks could face a major threat," LIPPO Bank chairman Mochtar Riyadi was quoted as saying by the leading Kompas daily.

Several banks have met with crisis in recent months as a result of the fierce competition and the central bank's tight money policy to fight inflation, but none had been too serious to trigger a run on banks.

Some banks have had to use the central bank's discounting facilities to help with liquidity shortages.

Bank Duta, one of the largest private banks with assets of over one billion dollars at the start of 1990, was bailed out by charity foundations headed by President Suharto after it lost 420 million dollars in foreign currency trading.

"Bank Duta crisis is an early warning to the banking industry to be more careful," said Perbanas Secretary General Thomas Suyatno.

The deregulation package in October 1988 reopened the banking industry to newcomers, both domestic and foreign.

It also lifted a ban on national banks to open up branch offices in small cities giving them an almost equal footing to the giant state banks.

A total of 42 new private banks and 15 new joint venture banks have since been established.

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#90281d8750 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 8) - The harvesting of potatoes and other vegetables is running late and will lead to new shortages and price increases at a time when Soviet consumers already face a catastrophic situation, the head of the Soviet state committee for statistics warned Monday.

The delays have been caused by heavy rains and a shortage of labour, and only 61 percent of potatoes and 50 percent of other vegetables had been brought in as of Oct. 1, Leonid Vashchukov told the communist party newspaper Pravda.

At the present rate, another three weeks are needed to bring in the harvest and winter is fast approaching, Mr. Vashchukov said.

"Volunteer" labour provided this weekend by trade unions, party and municipal organisations for the harvest has come too late, Mr. Vashchukov also said. "Help was needed three to four weeks ago, rather than today when the situation is becoming critical," he said.

Come end of September, farms had handed over to state procurement agencies only 25 percent of the planned potato and 43 percent of the planned vegetable crop.

Moscow in the last week of September received only 95,000 tonnes of potatoes compared to the expected 659,000 tons, the official said.

Prices have already risen and ware expected to continue to do so, he added.

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#90281d8930 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 8) - Indonesia Monday urged Western governments to release their oil stocks and help ease pressures on the oil markets strained by limited supply due to the Gulf crisis.

Commercial stocks in Western industrialized countries had carried the brunt of the burden recently and this had added volatility to the market, Mines and Energy Minister Ginanjar Kartasasmita told journalists.

The government stocks should be released to ease the burden on commercial stocks, he said, adding that market prices tended react to changes in commercial stocks.

World oil prices shot past 40 dollars a barrel last week, the highest in 10 years, on fears of a war breaking out in the Gulf, but they eased back to close at between 35-36 dollars by Friday.

The Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), of which Indonesia is a member, had already done "the maximum" to help stabilise the market by freeing members from output quotas, Mr. Ginanjar said.

"It is now up to consumer countries," he said.

Mr. Ginanjar said there was currently no real supply shortage as supply "just matches" the demand level.

He warned however that actual shortage might occur in the coming weeks as demand rose with the approach of winter in the northern hemisphere.

The minister also announced a plan to hold a major energy conference here next week which would be attended by three other OPEC ministers and international oil experts.

OPEC President and Algerian oil minister Sadek Boussena, and oil ministers Jibril Aminu of Nigeria and Celestino Armas of Venezuela have confirmed they would take part in the International Energy Conference on October 16-18, he

said.

Also taking part are OPEC Secretary General Subroto, former U.S. secretary for energy James Schlesinger and a representative of the Paris-based International Energy Agency which represents the Western oil consumers, he said.

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#90281d9060 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 8) - The Bangkok-based English-language daily The Nation will start printing, marketing and distributing the Japanese newspaper Yomiuri Shimbun here early next year, a Nation spokesman said Monday.

Yomiuri Shimbun is to transmit the Japanese-language morning and afternoon editions by satellite from Tokyo to Bangkok, where it will be printed and sold under an agreement signed in Tokyo on Wedesday making The Nation its distribution and marketing representative, he said.

At around the same time, the Asian Wall Street Journal will be printed by the Nation Publishing Group under an agreement signed in September, he said.

The value of the deal, a joint venture in which a subsidiary of Mitsui Bank of Bangkok will be a minority shareholder, was not immediately known.

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#90281d9180 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 8) - The Franco-British Eurotunnel consortium said on Monday that it was close to completing arrangements for additional loans of 2.1 billion pounds (about 4.1 billion dollars) needed to complete the construction of the tunnel beneath the Channel between England and France.

The company said that "the syndication of the additional funding is proceeding to a satisfactory conclusion".

It should be signed at the end of the month, enabling Eurotunnel to go ahead with an increase in its capital of 500 million pounds (985 million dollars) in November.

Shareholders who subscribed for new shares would receive travel advantages additional to those that they already held.

The consortium needs extra finance because the cost of construction has risen from 4.8 billion pounds as forecast to 7.5 billion pounds.

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#90281d9240 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 8) - Mercedes Benz' South African plant, closed since August 16 due to industrial action, is set to reopen this week, a report here said Monday.

The plant, in the south coast city of East London, was closed following a sit-in protest by a group of dissident members of the National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa (NUMSA).

The closure had cost the company some 13.5 million rands (5.25 million dollars) per day in lost production.

The influential financial daily Business Day reported Monday that NUMSA regional organiser Les Kettledas said on Sunday that there was nothing preventing the plant reopening in a matter of days.

Mr. Kettledas said NUMSA and Mercedes Benz management had reached agreement on outstanding issues which had prevented plant production resuming.

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#90281d9300 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 8) - The French balance of payments on current account was 11.5 billion francs (about 2.2 billion dollars) in the second quarter on a seasonally adjusted basis, provisional official figures showed on Monday.

The deficit in the same period of 1989 was 7.9 billion francs. The deficit in the first quarter of 1990 was two billion francs.

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#90281d9410 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 8) - British wholesale prices rose 0.4 percent in September over the August level, according to non-seasonally adjusted provisional figures released Monday by the Central Statistical Office.

Wholesale prices had risen 0.2 percent in August.

The September increase was higher than market forecasts of a 0.3 percent month on month rise.

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#90281d9490 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 8) - World shipping rates dipped early on but ended slightly higher this past week, as shipowners became more confident ahead of the weekend following news of a better-priced grain fixing.

The Baltic International Freight Futures Exchange (BIFFEX)'s Baltic Freight

Index (BFI) ended the week up two points at 1,171.

News that 20.75 dollars per tonne was paid for a November 52,000 tonne U.S. Gulf to Japan grain shipment lifted sentiment, while further unconfirmed reports that a 22 dollar rate was being considered for further November shipments on the same route added to the firmer tone.

Traders said that the better rate, which compared with 19.85 dollars the previous week, suggested some success among owners in passing on recent increases in bunker fuel prices to charterers -- evidence that the recent downtrend to depressing levels might have halted.

Nominal BFI individual route rates ended mixed: U.S. Gulf to Japan grain was quoted at 20.833 dollars per tonne, up from 19.758 the previous week, although U.S. Gulf to Europe edged down to 11.050 dollars from 11.075.

Coal movements from the U.S. East Coast to Japan were quoted higher at 14.042 dollars per tonne against 13.992, but ore liftings from West Africa to Europe were quoted at 5.242 dollars per tonne against 5.300 the previous week.

Timecharter-based movements on transatlantic round voyages were quoted at 6,900 dollars per day against 6,866.667 the previous week.

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#90281d9530 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 8) - Finance Secretary Jesus Estanislao proposed Monday a novel way of helping ease the acute financial crisis in the Philipinnes, by levying taxes on the construction of tombs.

Mr. Estinaslao said in a radio interview that he had been amazed by the size of the mausoleums he saw during a visit to a cemetery for the wealthy on Sunday.

Anybody who built a mausoleum costing half a million pesos (194,17 dollars) or more should be taxed accordingly, he proposed.

The size of tombs, and the quality and workmanship of coffins, are considered status symbols in this largely Roman Catholic nation.

Affluent families are fond of building large, marble-inlaid mausoleums.

President Corazon Aquino has ordered a 20 per cent cut in the 1991 budget of government agencies in order to shrink the growing budget deficit, which stood at 29 billion pesos (1.13 billion dollars) as of August and which was expected to push up inflation and interest rates.

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#90281d9680 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (OCT. 8) - Three more students attempted suicide in the Indian capital Monday to protest a caste-based job quota scheme while others renewed attacks on government vehicles, police said.

The events coincided with the reopening of schools after a long recess due to the unrest.

The three, including a young schoolboy, tried to kill themselves while others halted traffic and attacked buses to protest New Delhi's scheme to allot nearly half of all public sector jobs to lower castes.

Atul (eds: one name), a 14-year-old, doused his clothes with kerosene and set himself on fire in the eastern Delhi district of Loni, suffering burns on 20 per cent of his body, police said.

An 18-year-old student set himself ablaze in front of an industrial training institute in East Delhi, suffering burns over 55 percent of his body before fellow students doused the flames, witnesses said.

Another teenager swallowed sleeping pills at his home on the outskirts of Delhi, but police did not say if he had succeeded.

More than 95 Indian students have attempted to kill themselves, mainly in the country's north.

At least 31 of them have died since September 19 when a Delhi university student, Rajeev Goswami, triggered the wave of suicide attempts by setting himself alight. Doctors said he was still in critical state.

The administration shut some 600 Delhi schools on August 27 due to the deteriorating law and order situation in the capital. It reopened them briefly last month, then again ordered their closure because of the student quota protests.

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#90281d9710 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (OCT. 8) - Egyptian authorities have arrested another five purported members of the Abu Nidal Palestinian terrorist group who were smuggled into the country to stage attacks at tourist sites and government facilities, according to a report Monday.

Arms and ammunition were also confiscated from the Palestinians, who were said to have entered the country using passports taken from Egyptian workers in Iraq, according to the semi-official newspaper Al Ahram.

The newspaper, quoting government sources, said the alleged terrorists took advantage of the influx of Egyptians returning from Iraq and Kuwait in recent weeks to get through customs unimpeded.

Investigations were said to be continuing in an effort to determine whether the men were involved in last February's attack on an Israeli tour bus.

Four other Abu Nidal group members and a number of Palestinians and Iraqis were arrested earlier, the government announced over the weekend.

President Hosny Mubarak accused Iraq Thursday of planning terrorist strikes against targets in Egypt in retaliation for Egypt's role in the military build-up in the Gulf.

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#90281d9740 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DRESDEN (OCT. 8) - German Research Minister Heinz Riesenhuber on Monday named the German astronauts who will be taking part in the second U.S. Spacelab mission and the Soviet Mir space station flight in 1992.

The meteorologist Renate Bruemmer - Germany's first female astronaut - and the physicists Hans Wilhelm Schlegel, Gerhard Thiele and Ulrich Walter were tapped for the Spacelab mission.

Physicist Reinhold Ewald and German air force test pilot Klaus Dietrich Flade will start training for the Mir flight.

The announcement came during the 41st Congress of the International Astronautical Federation (Iaf), which opened here Monday.

Taking part in the congress, which runs until Saturday, are more than 1,500 scientists, space flight experts and astronauts from 40 countries. The participants plan to discuss the latest developments in space research and the future of space flight.

Iaf president George P. Van Reeth said the federation would accept 10 new members this week, bringing the number of its members to 123 organisations from 39 countries.

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#90281d9810 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 8) - The Soviet Union is not prepared to return to Japan two of the four Kuril Islands it occupied at the end of World War Ii, the official Soviet news agency Tass reported Monday, citing foreign ministry sources.

An official of Japan's Liberal Democratic Party, Shinataro Abe, had said over

the weekend that Moscow was willing to give up the islands of Shikotan and Habomai.

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#90281d9830 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 8) - London is Britain's dirtiest, most polluted and least pleasant city to live in, according to a survey published here Monday which compared the country's 10 biggest cities.

However the 1,000 people interviewed ranked London tops for job opportunities and shopping.

Two Scottish cities, Glasgow and Edinburgh, scored highest for quality of life according to the survey in Company, a women's magazine.

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#90281d9860 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (OCT. 8) - Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama was to begin a two-day visit here Monday for talks with Syrian officials on the Gulf crisis, the Japanese Embassy here said.

Japanese government sources said last month that Tokyo was considering adding Syria and Morocco to a list of countries receiving financial aid from Japan to alleviate economic problems caused by the Gulf crisis.

The statement issued by the embassy, however, said only that Tokyo "considers Mr. Nakayama's visit as extremely important to reinforce Syrian-Japanese ties".

It also expressed Japan's "high esteem for Syria's firm position on the Gulf crisis, its rejection of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, its respect for U.N. Security Council resolutions and the dispatch of troops to Saudi Arabia."

The embassy said Syria was at the forefront of efforts to reduce tension in the Gulf, triggered by Baghdad's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Nakayama's visit to Damascus comes at the end of a Middle East tour by Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu to discuss the Gulf crisis and Japan's role in the region.

Tokyo has given Jordan, Egypt and Turkey a total of two billion dollars and has pledged another two billion dollars to finance the deployment of a multinational force in Saudi Arabia, where 1,100 Syrian troops are stationed.

Mr. Nakayama will have talks with key Syrian officials, including Foreign Minister Farouk al-Shara, on international and bilateral affairs and means of bolstering economic and technical ties between the two countries.

Japan imports cotton and leather from Syria, and exports domestic appliances and cars. In 1988, Japanese exports to Syria totalled 131.1 million dollars, against 4.5 million dollars worth of Syrian exports to Japan.

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#90281d9980 10/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MAGDEBURG, GERMANY (OCT. 8) - An international commission to clean up the heavily polluted the river Elbe was set up Monday in Magdeburg by Germany, Czechoslovakia and the European Community.

The organisation is to establish a register of all sources of contamination, coordinate the construction of sewage treating plants and set up an alarm system for industrial accidents.

German Environment Minister Klaus Toepfer, his Czechoslovak colleague Josef Vavrousek and E.C. representative Laurens Jan Brinkhorst signed a treaty and pledged that the river should once again yield drinking water and its fish should be edible again.

It was the first international signed by Germany after reunification on October 3.

A major European river, the Elbe flows from northern Czechoslovakia through Germany to the North Sea and has a length of 1,144 kilometres.

It carries an annual load of 3.9 million tons of industrial salt residues, 316,000 tons of washing agents and fertilisers, and 3,500 tons of heavy metals chiefly from chemical and paper producing plants in Czechoslovakia and the former East Germany.

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#90281h0028 10/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NAIROBI (OCT. 8) XINHUA - KENYA AIRWAYS REGIONAL MANAGER FRANCIS MASI HAS BEEN PICKED UP BY RWANDAN SOLDIERS IN THE COUNTRY'S CAPITAL KIGALI, THE "KENYA TIMES" REPORTED TODAY.

THE PAPER QUOTED KENYA'S AMBASSADOR TO RWANDA P.K. MATHANJUKI AS CONFIRMING THAT MR. MASI WAS ARRESTED LAST FRIDAY WHEN MR. MASI AND THE AMBASSADOR'S PERSONAL DRIVER STEPHEN KARUME OUMA WERE RIDING TOGETHER IN A CAR. THE DRIVER WAS KILLED ON THE SPOT.

THE AMBASSADOR TOLD THE PAPER BY TELEPHONE THAT HIS EMBASSY IS WORKING TO HAVE MR. MASI RELEASED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

ACCORDING TO A "DAILY NATION" REPORT TODAY, THE KENYAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN

AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IS INVESTIGATING THE DEATH OF THE DRIVER.

FIGHTING CONTINUED IN THE LAST FEW DAYS BETWEEN RWANDAN GOVERNMENT TROOPS AND REBELS WHO CROSSED INTO THE COUNTRY FROM UGANDA LAST WEEK. A DUSK-TO-DWAN CURREW HAS BEEN IMPOSED IN THE CAPITAL CITY KIGALI.

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#90281h0032 10/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (OCT. 8) XINHUA - ABOUT 1,900 INMATES WILL BE FREED FROM EGYPTIAN PRISONS TODAY, SECURITY SOURCE SAID.

THE AMNESTY WAS ORDERED BY PRESIDENT HOSNI MUBARAK SUNDAY TO MARK THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE 1973 ARAB-ISRAELI OCTOBER WAR.

THE PRISONERS TO BE FREED THIS TIME ARE MOSTLY CONVICTED OF FORGERY, BRIBERY AND MURDER, AND HAVE COMPLETED AT LEAST HALF THEIR PRISON TERMS, TODAY'S "EGYPTIAN GAZETTE" QUOTED THE SOURCES AS SAYING.

THE RELEASE WILL NOT INCLUDE THOSE SENTENCED FOR ARMED ROBBERY, FRAUD, RAPE OR DRUG ABUSE.

GENERAL PARDON IN EGYPT IS USUALLY GIVEN ON FOUR OCCASIONS, NAMELY EID AL-FITR (LESSER BAIRAM), EID AL-ADHA (GREATER BAIRAM), THE PROPHET MOHAMMAD'S BIRTHDAY AND THE OCTOBER 6 VICTORY ANNIVERSARY.

AMONG THOSE PARDONED WERE SOME PRISONERS WHO "HELPED POLICE TO UNRAVEL THE RIDDLES OF SOME CRIMES," THE PAPER ADDED.

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#90281h0033 10/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 8) XINHUA - ABOUT 2.586 MILLION TOURISTS VISITED THAILAND DURING THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR, AN INCREASE OF 11 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR, RADIO THAILAND REPORTED TODAY.

OF THIS NUMBER, THE LARGEST GROUP CAME FROM SOUTHEAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC REGION, FOLLOWED BY EUROPE, THE UNITED STATES, CANADA, THE MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA.

ABOUT 244,000 TOURISTS WERE FROM TAIWAN, AN INCREASE OF 59 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

THE NUMBER OF FOREIGN TOURISTS VISITING THAILAND IS EXPECTED TO REACH 5.3 MILLION IN 1990, BRINGING IN A REVENUE OF OVER 100 BILLION BAHT (4 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

THAILAND HAS SET THE TOURIST ARRIVAL TARGET AT 6 MILLION FOR THE NEXT YEAR.

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#90281h0035 10/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CANBERRA (OCT. 8) XINHUA - AUSTRALIA'S NET PERMANENT MIGRATION GAIN FELL BY 25 PERCENT FROM 123,680 IN 1988-89 TO 93,370 IN 1989-90, ACCORDING TO A RESEARCH REPORT RELEASED HERE TODAY BY THE BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION.

THE NUMBER OF SETTLERS ARRIVING FELL BY 17 PERCENT FROM 145,316 TO 121,227 WHILE THE NUMBER OF PERMANENT DEPARTURES ROSE BY 29 PERCENT TO 27,857, THE HIGHEST NUMBER SINCE 1974-75.

THE BUREAU SAID THE DECREASE IN ARRIVALS REFLECTED CHANGES MADE IN 1988 AND 1989 TO MIGRATION PROCESSING ARRANGEMENTS AFFECTING THE ISSUE OF VISAS TO APPLICANTS UNDER THE POINTS-TESTED CONCESSIONAL FAMILY AND INDEPENDENT CATEGORIES.

ANOTHER MAJOR FACTOR WAS THE DECREASE BY 50 PERCENT IN THE NUMBER OF NEW ZEALAND CITIZEN ARRIVALS FROM 27,234 IN 1988-89 TO 13,345 IN 1989-90.

ALTHOUGH ARRIVALS FROM MOST COUNTRIES AND REGIONS WERE DOWN IN 1989-90, SOME NOTABLE EXCEPTIONS INCLUDED VIETNAM, THE SOVIET UNION, ROMANIA, HONG KONG, CANADA AND CHINA. THE LARGEST NUMERICAL INCREASE BY FAR WAS FROM VIETNAM, FROM 7,971 SETTLERS IN 1988-89 TO 11,156 IN 1989-90.

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#90281h0037 10/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CANBERRA (OCT. 8) XINHUA - THE FINAL EDITIONS OF FOUR OF AUSTRALIA'S OLDEST NEWSPAPERS ROLLED OFF THE PRESSES AT THE WEEKEND AND TWO OF THE 24-HOUR NEWSPAPERS EMERGED IN SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, THE TWO BIGGEST CITIES IN AUSTRALIA TODAY.

THE TWO NEWSPAPERS, THE DAILY TELEGRAPH MIRROR AND THE HERALD-SUN, ARE THE NEW FORMATION OF THE DAILY TELEGRAPH AND THE DAILY MIRROR IN SYDNEY AND THE SUN NEWS-PICTORIAL AND THE HERALD IN MELBOURNE RESPECTIVELY.

THE HISTORIC MOVE TO CREATE THE TWO 24-HOUR NEWSPAPERS WAS ANNOUNCED LAST WEDNESDAY BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE NEWS CORPORATION LTD, RUPERT MURDOCK. IT IS EXPECTED TO RESULT IN COST SAVING TO THE CORPORATION OF ABOUT 40 MILLION AUSTRALIAN DOLLARS (33.2 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

IN TWO TELEVISION INTERVIEWS AFTER ANNOUNCING THE MERGERS OF THE SUN AND THE HERALD IN MELBOURNE AND HIS TWO PAPERS IN SYDNEY, MURDOCK SAID AUSTRALIA WAS GOING INTO A RECESSION AND WOULD HAVE TO MAKE TOUGH CHOICES IF THE COUNTRY WAS TO BE COMPETITIVE.

MURDOCK SAID THE TWO NEW PUBLICATIONS WERE DESIGNED TO EXPLOIT THE COMPANY'S 1

BILLION AUSTRALIAN DOLLAR (83 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR) INVESTMENT IN HIGH-TECHNOLOGY COLOR PRINTING PLANTS AROUND THE COUNTRY WHICH, WHEN COMPLETED WILL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE FOUR-COLOR PRINTING ON EVERY SECOND PAGE.

THE TWO NEW TABLOID NEWSPAPERS PUBLISH FROM MONDAY TO SATURDAY AND HAVE FOUR EDITIONS -- TWO IN THE MORNING FOR HOME DELIVERY, INCLUDING A STATE-WIDE AND A CITY EDITION -- AND TWO UPDATES AT 11 AM AND 3 PM.

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#90281h0038 10/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KATHMANDU (OCT. 8) XINHUA - FIFTEEN PERSONS HAVE DIED OF GASTROENTERITIS RECENTLY IN SAPTARI DISTRICT, EASTERN NEPAL, THE NEPALESE NATIONAL NEWS AGENCY RSS REPORTED TODAY.

RSS SAID A MEDICAL TEAM HAS CONDUCTED TESTS ON THE PEOPLE IN THE AFFECTED AREAS AND MEDICINES HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED. LOCAL HEALTH WORKERS HAVE ALSO BEEN ENGAGED IN EDUCATING THE PEOPLE ABOUT THE DISEASE AND HOW IT CAN BE PREVENTED.

THIS IS THE SECOND DEATH STORY ON INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN EASTERN NEPAL DISPATCHED BY RSS IN THE LAST TWO DAYS.

RSS REPORTED SUNDAY THAT IN KOSHI ZONE, EASTERN NEPAL, ENCEPHALITIS HAS KILLED 19 PERSONS SINCE SEPTEMBER 2.

GASTROENTERITIS AND ENCEPHALITIS ARE COMMON DISEASES IN NEPAL, WHICH CLAIMED AT LEAST 400 LIVES DURING THE MONSOON SEASON THAT HAS JUST ENDED IN THE HIMALAYAN KINGDOM.

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GUANGZHOU (OCT. 8) XINHUA - THE COVERAGE OF THE INSURANCE BUSINESS IN SOUTH CHINA'S GUANGDONG PROVINCE AMOUNTED TO 204.8 BILLION YUAN WORTH IN THE FIRST EIGHT MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, AN INCREASE OF 18.49 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

OF THE TOTAL, FOREIGN INSURANCE COVERAGE ACCOUNTED FOR 81.19 BILLION YUAN, AN INCREASE OF 8.8 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

THE PROVINCIAL INSURANCE COMPANY NOW PROVIDES OVER 200 KINDS OF INSURANCE, COVERING PRODUCTION, SERVICES AND PERSONS, COMPARED WITH ONLY 10 KINDS IN 1980.

MORE AND MORE PEOPLE FROM ENTERPRISES AND FARMS, AS WELL AS INDIVIDUALS, ARE BECOMING INTERESTED IN TAKING OUT INSURANCE POLICIES, ACCORDING TO LOCAL OFFICIALS.

IN THE FIRST EIGHT MONTHS SOME 9.22 MILLION PEOPLE IN THE PROVINCE TOOK OUT

VARIOUS KINDS OF LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES, AN INCREASE OF 1.15 MILLION OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

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PYONGYANG (OCT. 8) XINHUA - SOUTH KOREAN OPPOSITION LEADER KIM DAE-JUNG ANNOUNCED TODAY AT A PRESS CONFERENCE THAT HE WAS GOING ON AN INDEFINITE HUNGER STRIKE, ACCORDING TO REPORTS FROM SEOUL.

KIM, PRESIDENT OF THE PEACE DEMOCRACY PARTY, BEGAN HIS FAST AT THE PARTY HEADQUARTERS IN SEOUL.

HE DEMANDED THAT THE RULING DEMOCRATIC LIBERAL PARTY GIVE UP THE IDEA OF AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION AND BRING REGIONAL AUTONOMY INTO FORCE. HE ALSO ASKED THE ARMY TO REMAIN NEUTRAL IN POLITICS.

HE ALSO DEMANDED THAT THE MILITARY INTELLIGENCE COMMAND BE DISBANDED. HE SAID THAT HE WOULD CONTINUE HIS HUNGER STRIKE AND STAY AWAY FROM PARLIAMENT UNTIL HIS DEMANDS ARE MET.

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#90281h0054 10/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

XI'AN (OCT. 8) XINHUA - THE NUMBER OF CRESTED IBISES, WHICH ARE ON THE VERGE OF EXTINCTION, HAVE INCREASED TO MORE THAN 40 FROM SEVEN FOUND IN YANGXIAN COUNTY, SHAANXI PROVINCE, IN 1981.

A LOCAL OFFICIAL SAID THAT 12 SUCH BIRDS WERE SPOTTED IN THE COUNTY AUGUST 20, THE LARGEST GROUP SEEN SO FAR THIS YEAR.

HE SAID THAT LOCAL PUBLICITY ON THE PROTECTION OF THE BIRDS AND ESTABLISHMENT OF LOCAL PROTECTION CENTERS ARE PARTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE INCREASE IN THE NUMBERS.

THE OFFICIAL SAID THAT FILMS HAVE BEEN SHOWN IN THE COUNTY, INSTRUCTING PEOPLE HOW TO LOOK AFTER THE BIRDS AND THEIR HABITAT, AND 16 PEOPLE WERE CHOSEN FROM 12 TOWNS SPECIALLY TO MONITOR AND PROTECT THEM.

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MANILA (OCT. 8) XINHUA - THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WILL EXTEND TO THE PHILIPPINES A LOAN OF 26 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS TO ALLEVIATE THE ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES CAUSED BY THE GULF CRISIS, A PHILIPPINE HIGH-RANKING FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICIAL SAID TODAY.

THE OFFICIAL, WHO ASKED NOT TO BE IDENTIFIED, SAID THAT THE AGREEMENT ON THE

NEW LOAN, WHICH WILL BE OVER AND ABOVE THE 17TH YEN LOAN AND THE JAPANESE CONTRIBUTION TO THE PHILIPPINE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, WILL BE SIGNED BEFORE OCTOBER 24.

ASIDE FROM THE ADVERSE EFFECT TO THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMY, SUCH AS THE INCREASE IN PRICES OF OIL, THE PHILIPPINES ALSO LOST MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN THE FORM OF LOSS OF REMITTANCES OF FILIPINO OVERSEAS WORKERS WHO HAVE BEEN DISPLACED BY THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT AND HAVE JOINED THE RANKS OF THE UNEMPLOYED.

THE OFFICIAL SAID THAT PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO IS EXPECTED TO DISCUSS ISSUES OF THE PHILIPPINE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND FOREIGN DEBT WHEN SHE MEETS WITH JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU IN TOKYO DURING THE CORONATION OF PRINCE AKIHITO AS EMPEROR ON NOVEMBER 11 AND 12.

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TOKYO (OCT. 8) KYODO - THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) BEGAN INTERVIEWING EXECUTIVES OF MAJOR OIL WHOLESALERS MONDAY TO DETERMINE SWINGS IN THE COST OF CRUDE OIL IMPORTS IN YET ANOTHER MOVE TO PREVENT PRICE GOUGING.

MITI OFFICIALS SAID THE HEARINGS, INVOLVING SEPARATE INTERVIEWS WITH EACH COMPANY, WILL BE WRAPPED UP WITHIN THIS WEEK AFTER THEY OBTAIN DATA ON CHANGES IN OIL IMPORT PRICES, FREIGHT COSTS, AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE MOVEMENTS SINCE AUGUST.

SUCH DATA WILL BE USED IN MONITORING A PRICE HIKE FOR PETROLEUM PRODUCTS SUCH AS GASOLINE AND KEROSENE SLATED BY WHOLESALERS FOR MID-OCTOBER.

THE MAJOR OIL COMPANIES RAISED THEIR WHOLESALE PRICES FOR SUCH PRODUCTS LAST MONTH IN RESPONSE TO THE SURGE IN WORLD CRUDE OIL PRICES SINCE IRAQ'S AUGUST 2 INVASION OF KUWAIT.

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#90281k0029 10/08/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 8) KYODO - A MAJORITY OF JAPANESE COMPANIES FAVOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF FOREIGN TRAINEES, ACCORDING TO A SURVEY RELEASED BY THE LABOR MINISTRY ON MONDAY.

THE SURVEY, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND COMPILED BY THE MINISTRY, SAID 62.5 PERCENT OF THE COMPANIES THAT RESPONDED WANTED TO RECRUIT FOREIGN TRAINEES.

THE SURVEY, CONDUCTED BY THE MINISTRY ON JULY 1, COVERED 6,104 FIRMS -- 2,104 OF THEM LISTED PUBLICLY ON THE TOKYO, NAGOYA AND OSAKA STOCK EXCHANGES -- OF WHICH 2,718 RESPONDED.

ASKED WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD INCREASE THE NUMBER OF FOREIGN TRAINEES, 64.1 PERCENT SAID THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD DO SO.

AS AN INDICATION OF THE RECRUITMENT OF FOREIGN TRAINEES BY JAPANESE FIRMS, 10 PERCENT SAID THEY HAVE HIRED SUCH TRAINEES, WITH THE AVERAGE BEING 16.8 TRAINEES PER COMPANY.

BY NATIONALITY, CHINA ACCOUNTED FOR 34.4 PERCENT OF A TOTAL OF 4,597 TRAINEES EMPLOYED, THE UNITED STATES FOR 17.6 PERCENT, SOUTH KOREA FOR 16.8 PERCENT, AND MALAYSIA FOR 13.9 PERCENT.

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TOKYO (OCT. 8) KYODO - SALES OF NEW CONDOMINIUMS IN THE TOKYO METROPOLITAN AREA ROSE 8.3 PERCENT IN SEPTEMBER FROM A YEAR EARLIER, BUT THE RATIO OF INVENTORIES HIT A SIX-YEAR HIGH FOR THE MONTH, A PRIVATE RESEARCH INSTITUTE SAID MONDAY.

REAL ESTATE ECONOMIC INSTITUTE CO. SAID A TOTAL OF 3,843 CONDOMINIUMS WERE SOLD ON A CONTRACT BASIS, REPRESENTING ONLY 67.1 PERCENT OF THOSE GOING ON SALE DURING THE PERIOD, DOWN 11.9 POINTS FROM THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

IT IS THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1984 THAT THE SEPTEMBER RATIO HAS FALLEN BELOW 70 PERCENT, SIGNALING A WEAKNESS IN THE INTEREST-SENSITIVE HOUSING SECTOR, INSTITUTE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE SEPTEMBER STATISTICS TOOK INDUSTRY OFFICIALS BY SURPRISE AS THEY HAD EXPECTED THE RATIO OF SALES TO TOTAL OFFERS TO GO ABOVE 80 PERCENT AS DEMAND IS USUALLY STRONG IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER.

INSTITUTE OFFICIALS BLAMED THE WEAK SHOWING LARGELY ON RISING HOUSING LOAN RATES AS WELL AS ON AN INCREASE IN CONDOMINIUM PRICES. THEY PREDICT A SLUMP IN CONDOMINIUM SALES IN COMING MONTHS.

CONDOMINIUM PRICES AVERAGED 59.07 MILLION YEN IN SEPTEMBER, A 13.9 PERCENT JUMP FROM A YEAR EARLIER. THE OFFICIALS SAID HIGH LAND PRICES WILL LIKELY KEEP THE LEVEL OF CONDOMINIUM PRICES HIGH FOR A WHILE.

THE INSTITUTE ALSO ANNOUNCED DATA ON SALES IN THE OSAKA METROPOLITAN AREA IN SEPTEMBER SHOWING THE SAME PATTERN AS IN THE TOKYO AREA.

THE SALES-TO-OFFERS RATIO STOOD AT 64.3 PERCENT IN THE OSAKA AREA, SHARPLY DOWN FROM 82.3 PERCENT IN AUGUST AND THE LOWEST LEVEL SINCE JANUARY 1989, WHEN IT WAS 54.1 PERCENT, THE INSTITUTE SAID.

IN SEPTEMBER, A TOTAL OF 2,747 UNITS WENT ON SALE, OF WHICH 1,767 UNITS WERE SOLD ON A CONTRACT BASIS, IT SAID.

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#90281k0066 10/08/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 8) KYODO - ASCII CORP. AND MITSUI AND CO. AGREED MONDAY TO JOIN ARMS TO STRENGTHEN THEIR SEMICONDUCTOR BUSINESSES, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

OFFICIALS FROM BOTH COMPANIES SAID THEY WILL COMBINE THE BUSINESS OPERATIONS OF ASCII SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. AND MITSUI ELECTRONICS SALES CO. ON NOVEMBER 1 TO FORM THE ASCII MITSUI SEMICONDUCTOR CORP.

MITSUI AND ASCII WILL HAVE EQUAL OWNERSHIP IN THE NEW COMPANY, TO BE CAPITALIZED AT 300 MILLION YEN INITIALLY, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE FIRM IS EXPECTED TO HAVE FIRST-YEAR SALES OF 8.5 BILLION YEN, THEY SAID.

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#90281k0075 10/08/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
KATHMANDU (OCT. 8) KYODO - A LADY TEACHER FROM YUGOSLAVIA SCALED MT. EVEREST ON SUNDAY TO BECOME THE FIRST WOMAN FROM HER COUNTRY AND THE 13TH IN THE WORLD TO ACHIEVE THE MOUNTAINEERING FEAT, THE NEPALESE TOURISM MINISTRY SAID.

MARIA STREMFELJ, 33, AND HER HUSBAND ANDRA STREMFELJ, 34, REACHED THE TOP OF THE 8,848 METER-HIGH MOUNTAIN AFTER CLIMBING 10 AND HALF HOURS FROM THE ASSAULT CAMP AT 8,000 METERS.

THE COUPLE WERE ACCOMPANIED TO THE SUMMIT BY THEIR CLIMBING MATE JANEZ JEGLIC, AND NEPALESE HELPER LHAKPA RITA SHERPA, 22.

ALL FOUR CLIMBED AS PART OF THE 14-MEMBER ALPE ADRIA EXPEDITION LED BY TOMAZ JAMNIK, 52.

STREMFELJ IS THE SECOND WOMAN TO TOP THE WORLD'S TALLEST MOUNTAIN IN THE LAST WEEK.

FRENCH WOMAN CHRISTINE JANIN SCALED THE MOUNTAIN LAST FRIDAY. IN 1975 JAPAN'S JUNKO TABEI BECAME THE FIRST WOMAN TO CLIMB MT. EVEREST, AND NOW ONE DOZEN MORE WOMEN CLIMBERS HAVE FOLLOWED.

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#90281k0080 10/08/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 8) KYODO - GLOBAL DEMAND FOR STEEL WILL WEAKEN IN 1990-1991 IN LINE WITH THE SLUGGISH ECONOMIC GROWTH IN INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS, ACCORDING TO A REPORT PUBLISHED BY AN INTERNATIONAL STEEL INSTITUTE MONDAY.

THE INTERNATIONAL IRON AND STEEL INSTITUTE (IISI) FORECAST THAT WORLD STEEL

DEMAND WILL INCH DOWN 0.9 PERCENT FROM AN ALL-TIME HIGH POSTED LAST YEAR TO 779 MILLION TONS IN 1990 AND WILL FALL 0.8 PERCENT TO 773 MILLION TONS IN 1991.

DEMAND IN INDUSTRIAL NATIONS WILL COME TO 369 MILLION TONS THIS YEAR, DOWN 3 MILLION TONS, WHILE THAT IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WILL GROW 4.1 PERCENT TO 128 MILLION TONS.

THE ECONOMIC TURBULANCE IN THE EAST BLOC NATIONS STEMMING FROM THEIR EFFORTS TOWARD MARKET-ORIENTED ECONOMIES WILL HELP CUT THEIR STEEL DEMAND BY 3.4 PERCENT TO 282 MILLION TONS IN 1990.

IN 1991, DEMAND WILL SLOW 1.9 PERCENT IN INDUSTRIAL NATIONS, RISE 5.5 PERCENT IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND FALL 2.1 PERCENT IN COMMUNIST NATIONS, SAID THE INSTITUTE, WHICH COMPRISES STEEL MAKERS IN 44 COUNTRIES.

THE DOWNWARD TREND IN STEEL DEMAND, HOWEVER, WILL STOP AROUND 1995, BOOSTED BY ROBUST DEMAND FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO MORE THAN OFFSET THE CONTINED SLUMP IN DEMAND FROM MAJOR INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES.

THE REPORT PUT WORLD DEMAND IN 1995 AT 782-828 MILLION TONS, WITH DEVELOPED NATIONS ACCOUNTING FOR 355 MILLION TONS, DEVELOPING NATIONS FOR 148 MILLION TONS, AND THE EAST BLOC FOR 279 MILLION TONS.

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JAKARTA (OCT. 8) KYODO - PROMINENT INDONESIAN DISSIDENT ALI SADIKIN HAS SUGGESTED MONDAY THAT RECENTLY FREED POLITICAL PRISONER RETIRED GEN. DHARSONO SHOULD STAND AS A CANDIDATE IN THE 1993 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

ALI SADIKIN SAID IN AN INTERVIEW WITH KYODO NEWS SERVICE THAT DHARSONO SHOULD RUN FOR PRESIDENT BECAUSE HE HAS BEEN A CONSISTENT FIGURE IN ANTIGOVERNMENT STRUGGLE, AND DOES NOT ACCUMULATE WEALTH, UNLIKE OTHER LEADERS.

A 63-YEAR-OLD RETIRED ADMIRAL, ALI SADIKIN WAS MINISTER OF COMMUNICATION FROM 1963 TO 1966, AND GOVERNOR OF JAKARTA FROM 1966 TO 1977.

HE IS LEADER OF THE LONG-STANDING PETISI 50 GROUP THAT HAS BEEN CRITICIZING PRESIDENT SUHARTO'S GOVERNMENT SINCE 1980.

DHARSONO HAD BEEN A COMMANDER OF THE PRESTIGIOUS SILIWANGI ARMY DIVISION THAT SUPPORTED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUHARTO'S GOVERNMENT, AND FORMER SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN). HE WAS ARRESTED IN 1984 AND SENTENCED TO A SEVEN-YEAR TERM FOR SUBVERSION IN 1986.

BUT DHARSONO IS NOT A MEMBER OF THE PETISI 50 GROUP. ALI SADIKIN SUPPORTED DHARSONO'S PROPOSAL FOR A NEW PARTY, SAYING IT WAS IN LINE WITH THE 1945 CONSTITUTION.

DHARSONO SAID IN A RECENT INTERVIEW WITH KYODO THAT INDONESIA NEEDS A NEW PARTY TO GIVE THE NATION SHOCK THERAPY.

ALI SADIKIN SAID THE PRESENT THREE POLITICAL PARTIES ARE CONTROLLED UNDER THE GOVERNMENT'S DEPOLITICIZATION POLICY. THIS POLICY IS A KIND OF SOCIAL ENGINEERING, SO THE GOVERNMENT IS ACTIVE AND THE PARTIES CAN DO NOTHING, HE SAID.

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BEIJING (OCT. 8) KYODO - JAPAN HAS DECIDED TO PROVIDE A TOTAL OF 36.5 BILLION YEN TO CHINA IN 1990, THE FIRST YEAR OF ITS FIVE-YEAR YEN LOAN PACKAGE TO BEIJING, JAPANESE SOURCES HERE SAID MONDAY.

THE DECISION IS EXPECTED TO BE APPROVED BY BOTH COUNTRIES LATE THIS MONTH, AFTER THE DETAILS ARE DISCUSSED BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND CHINESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, WHO ARE SCHEDULED TO VISIT JAPAN FROM OCTOBER 9-17.

THE 1990 CREDIT, THE FIRST SINCE JAPAN REOPENED ITS THIRD FIVE-YEAR LOAN PACKAGE WORTH 810 BILLION YEN TO CHINA IN JULY AFTER A ONE-YEAR FREEZE IN PROTEST AT THE BLOODY TIANANMEN SQUARE INCIDENT, WILL FINANCE SEVEN PROJECTS, INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION OF A HYDROELECTRIC POWER PLANT IN WUGIANGXI.

AMONG THOSE PROJECTS WILL BE A DAM IN GUANINGE, AND WATERWORKS IN XIAN, CHONGGING, ANSHAN, AND FOUR OTHER CITIES, THE SOURCES SAID.

CHINA HAS CALLED ON JAPAN TO LEND 120 BILLION YEN FOR 12 PROJECTS, BUT THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS YET TO DECIDE WHETHER TO INCLUDE THE OTHER EIGHT PROJECTS IN THE FIRST-YEAR DISBURSEMENT, THEY SAID.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 8) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stock markets rally. ... The NIKKEI adds 805 points. .. In London, the FTSE is up more than 71 points in mid-day trading. ... The HOUSE approved a new five- year, $500 billion deficit-reduction package early this morning. ... Negotiators for the UNITED AUTO WORKERS and FORD MOTORS have reached a tentative agreement on a new contract. ... HEWLETT-PACKARD says it has realigned its computer business and restructured top management. ... The unions trying to buy UNITED AIRLINES have failed to line up the bank financing

they were trying to get.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The SENATE convenes at 2 p.m. to consider the HOUSE- passed new budget accord. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT issues housing completion figures for August on THURSDAY and major companies report on September retail sales. with retail sales and wholesale trade from COMMERCE.

FROM THE BULLS:

GLENN CUTLER, editor of "Market Mania" newsletter, believes the Dow will rally to 2630 this month. "I feel the Dow is building a complex bottom and that a lot of stocks have already seen their lows," says Cutler. "The momentum to the downside seems to have abated and I think there's an increasing appetite to buy stocks. There's no question the economy is in bad shape. That reinforces the likelihood the FEDERAL RESERVE will ease." ("Investor's Daily" 10/8)

"I personally think interest rates are headed down here and when other people realize that, then I think the market will go up," says MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER AND CO. ("Wall Street Week", 10/5)

FROM THE BEARS:

"We believe that although more than a year old by some measures, this nasty bear market still has points and months to go," writes ALAN ABELSON, editor of "Barron's." ("Barron's", 10/8)

"At this point, I'd want to be flat or short stocks," says JON GROVEMAN, president of LANDENBURG, THALMANN & CO. "The Dow could rally to 2600, but I think the big move will be to the downside. Even if the budget is worked out and the Fed can ease it won't be enough. We are having a credit crisis and rising oil prices and the threat of war in the Middle East." ("Investor's Daily", 10/8)

BYRON WIEN, portfolio strategist at MORGAN STANLEY & CO., puts himself in the camp with those who see a cyclical bear market -- one that will last less than a year, pull price down an additional 10 percent and then rebound -- as opposed to a more serious secular bear market. "My view assumes that the safety nets will work," says Wein. "One of the safety nets is Congress. There was a belief that Congress would see that we have problems and would pass a budget compromise bill -- and it did not." As to lower interest rates in a time of no budget resolution, he says, "The Fed can act independently, but it can't act unilaterally." (NYT, 10/7)

"Most bear markets have corrected at least half of the gains of the preceding bull market," says RICHARD RUSSELL publisher of "Dow Theory Letters." "If that

holds true in the present case, the Dow could easily sink back to the 1780 area. ... Students of stock market history should not be shocked if the final bear market low for the Dow is well below 1650." ("Barron's", 10/8)

STOCK MARKET:

"The market will think the budget impasse is very temporary, nothing of great consequence," says CHARLES CLOUGH, chief market strategist for MERRILL LYNCH. ("USA Today", 10/8)

"There are two possible cases on the budget for the stock market," says RICHARD HOEY, chief economist at BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD. "The bear case is that they will succeed in getting a deal. The other bear case is they won't. If they get one, we worsen the recession. If they don't get one, they collapse confidence and it's too late to do any good." (WSJ, 10/8)

CARTER RANDALL looks for the market to bounce around about where it is for "quite some time but I do think ... we are developing some good value in the market and I think there are going to be some good opportunities for individual stocks. I look at things like the bank stocks, both regional and major bank stocks. They're down because of the obvious problems of the banks, but they're way down, much more than the loan writeoffs would deserve. I see a big bounce back in them -- maybe after the first of the year when heavy selling is over." ("Wall Street Week", 10/5)

"For a new bull market to begin, we will have to have a resumption of rapid money supply growth," says STEFAN ABRAMS, chief investment strategist at KIDDER, PEABODY & CO. (WSJ, 10/8)

The so-called October jinx in the stock market is "always in the back of everyone's mind," says TONY WOODRUFF, head trader at KIDDER PEABODY & CO. "Kiddingly, we've said around here that maybe we should take the month of October off and avoid trouble." On a more serious note, Woodruff believes past October performances should be no indication of how stocks will react this month because "the landscape is different." Now, he says, "the market has been concerned with the financial structure of the U.S. The whole downdraft in the market is based on that." ("The Washington Post", 10/7)

Many analysts say poor earnings reports expected over the next couple of weeks are not likely to have a major effect on the stock market. "Investors are probably gloomy enough," says WILLIAM HELMAN of SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM & CO. "I don't know they're going to be that disappointed." ("Investor's Daily", 10/8)

"At any time in the stock market there is more than one trend in effect and here the major trend is down," says BERNADETTE MURPHY. "However, I do think also that the market is starting to respond somewhat better. I think today [Friday] it had every reason to go down and test the lows, but it stopped

quite short of those lows and I thought that was positive action. I do think we could get some improvement in interest rates and I think that might buoy the market. There probably are trading opportunities, but it's a high risk trade. People should be searching out stocks that did not break their January lows. But in bear market rallies, the rallies never last as long and they never go as far as you think they're going to go, so there is risk." She looks for the current bear market to end next year, somewhere around the end of the first quarter or in the second quarter. ("Wall Street Week," 10/5)

STOCK TIPS:

"I think you're apt to get the best performance in high quality, fixed income securities such as Treasuries and you've got to minimize your maturity exposure," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN, senior vice president at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "Two-year to five-year notes are very attractive investments. They give you an adequate return and, with the prospect of Fed easing, you've got the opportunity of capital appreciation. I think if you go beyond the intermediate area you're just taking on too much risk and volatility." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/5)

The unions trying to buy the parent of UNITED AIRLINES say they have failed to line up bank financing for their effort and will be forced to bid with less cash than the $2 billion they hoped to have. "If they come in with less cash, a lower price and a lot of paper, it's not going to be accepted by the board," says EDWARD STARKMAN, airline analyst at PAINEWEBBER. (NYT, 10/8)

"What happens down in Washington with the budget isn't going to make or break the market," says JAMES SOLLOWAY, chief economist at ARGUS RESEARCH. He advises investors to concentrate on avoiding negative earnings surprises by buying such "quality" stocks as MERCK. "Don't take a flier on a CHASE MANHATTAN or a UAL," he says. "Stick with quality and visible earnings consistency." (WSJ, 10/8)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"I wouldn't be surprised if the dollar rallies," says MICHAEL LIPPER, president of LIPPER ANALYTICAL. (WSJ, 10/8)

"The budget discord" is partly to blame for the failing dollar, "but also the weak economy," says MARTION MAURO of MERRILL LYNCH. He thinks the Fed will be forced to ease, lowering the attractiveness of the greenback. (CNBC "World

Business", 10/8)

"The long-term trend in the dollar is negative," says MICHAEL BENSON of LEHMAN BROS. He says that factor makes U.S. stocks less attractive to investors abroad. (FNN "World Business Report, 10/8)

"As recession fears mount, safety and liquidity are becoming increasingly attractive to U.S. investors," says SUSAN HERING of SALOMON BROTHERS. "This preference -- evident in widening corporate quality spreads and a sliding equity market -- is especially apparent in the abrupt reversal of an 18-month narrowing in the cash Treasury-Eurodollar futures spread in August." ("Investor's Daily", 10/8)

Several members of the FEDERAL OPEN MARKET COMMITTEE believe interest rates will need to be lowered eventually to offset economic weakness. But the minutes of the Aug. 21 FOMC meeting that were released Friday says "the timing and circumstances of any such easing would have to be weighed carefully ... to avoid an unfavorable impact on inflationary attitudes and associated upward pressure on long-term interest rates." ("Investor's Daily", 10/8)

"The employment report was sufficiently weak to justify an easing right away," says ROBERT CHANDROSS, chief economist at LLOYD BANK. "But the Fed has put itself in a corner. It can't ease unless Congress adopts a budget plan." (WSJ, 10/8)

"There's just no question in my mind that we're going to see easing of money by the FEDERAL RESERVE," says CARTER RANDALL. "We're in an economic slowdown, recession, whatever you want to call it, and lower rates are very, very much ahead of us -- no question." ("Wall Street Week", 10/5)

"It's a mistake to link monetary policy to fiscal policy because it puts the Fed in cahoots" with Congress, says DAVID RESLER, chief economist at NOMURA SECURITIES. ("Investor's Daily", 10/8)

"Even if Congress comes up with a new budget, we will still have a record budget deficit this year and that means the government will have to auction a significant amount of new supply" of Treasury bonds, says LAWRENCE LEUZZI of S.G. WARBURG & CO. "Until some of the [budget and war fear] issues are resolved, it will be a very difficult time for bond investors. There is no way of properly weighing the risks and rewards of various outcomes." (WSJ, 10/8)

THE ECONOMY:

"In this environment, a mild recession is among the least likely of scenarios " says JOSEPH DUNCAN, vice president and economist at DUN & BRADSTREET. "To an

unusual degree, the future direction of the economy will hinge on psychological factors. If both business and consumer confidence hold up -- and I think they will -- then the soft landing should materialize after all. However, if a collapse in overall confidence does occur, as it very well might if the situation with Iraq boils over into an armed conflict, then hang on to your hat because we may be in for one heck of a slide." (NYT, 10/7)

"There were almost no areas of strength to be found whatsoever" in Friday's unemployment report, says DOUG HANDLER of DUN & BRADSTREET. "One has to say than when activity begins to show this much weakness, [the economy] is right on the edge of a recession," says LYLE GRAMLEY, chief economist for the MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA. ("Investor's Daily", 10/8)

"I have very strong convictions that oil prices will be below $20 a barrel in six months," says MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER AND CO. ("Wall Street Week", 10/5)

IN WASHINGTON:

The latest budget package "is a very broad outline, and pretty much of the same flavor of what was talked about before," says MARTION MAURO of MERRILL LYNCH. Mauro calls the government's performance over the past few weeks "a disturbing spectacle," and says it "may hurt us in the international arena." (CNBC "World Business", 10/8)

"Shutting down the government for a short period is acceptable," says LOUIS CRANDALL, chief economist at R.H. WRIGHTSON & ASSOCIATES. "A default is not. They have to get something done by Thursday morning" when interest payments on Treasury bills are due. "One way or another we will have a budget package and a cut in the deficit," says PAUL KASRIEL of NORTHERN TRUST CO. (NYT, 10/8)

ARNIE WOLTER of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS wonders what Congress and federal officials would do if the market rallied on word of a government shutdown. "I wonder if they'd get the message," muses Wolter. ("Investor's Daily", 10/8)

"As we enter the decade of the 1990s, we should consider a fundamental shift in the goal we set for the accounting standards for financial institutions," says SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION CHAIRMAN RICHARD BREEDEN. ("Investor's Daily", 10/8)

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NORCROSS, GA (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Immucor Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: BLUD), maker of blood bank reagent systems and related products, announced today net income for the three months ended Aug. 31, totaled $672,748 compared to $444,934 a year ago.

Earnings per share increased to $.13 per share on 5,374,374 shares vs. $.09 per share on 4,776,978 shares last year.

Revenues for the quarter ended Aug. 31 totaled $3,430,785, a 25 percent increase over last year's total of $2,753,827.

Founded in 1982, Immucor manufactures and sells a complete line of reagents and systems used primarily by hospitals and blood banks in a number of tests performed to detect and identify certain properties of the cell and serum components of human blood prior to blood transfusion. Through its German subsidiary, Immucor GmbH, aquired Sept. 28, the company also sells blood bags for the collection, storage and administration of human blood, HLA products used in human organ transplantation, and DNA probes used in paternity testing.

IMMUCOR INC.
Statements of Income
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	8/31/90	8/31/89
Net sales	$3,430,785	$2,753,827
Cost of sales	1,468,058	1,281,288
Gross profit	1,962,727	1,472,539
Research and development	101,409	84,831
Selling, general and administrative	1,117,984	965,914
Total operating expenses	1,219,393	1,050,745
Income from operations	743,334	421,794
Other income	302,163	288,019
Other expense	(2,477)	(3,568)
Total other	299,686	284,451
Income before income taxes	1,043,020	706,245
Provision for income taxes	370,272	261,311
Net income	$672,748	$444,934
Net income per common and common equivalent share:	$0.13	$0.09
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	5,374,374	4,776,978

CONTACT: Richard J. Still, senior vice president-Finance of Immucor, 404-441-2051.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - American Express Travel Related Services has entered into an agreement with Hoteleticket, the leading computerized ticketing distribution network that books reservations and prints airline

tickets with boarding passes within minutes of a call to its 800 hotline. The new contract makes possible the delivery of airline tickets to American Express' clients via Hoteleticket's nationwide satellite ticket printer network.

Announcement of the agreement between American Express and Hoteleticket was made jointly by Jim Thompson, vice president, American Express Travel Related Services of American Express, and W. Edd Helms Jr., chairman and president of Hotelecopy FaxMail, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FAXM). "In a travel environment where time is the traveler's most precious commodity, we foresee this working relationship as a boon to our clients, eliminating critical travel time lost waiting in long airport lines," Thompson pointed out. Edd Helms sees the new relationship as "an excellent opportunity to utilize our satellite ticket printer network and further reinforce our partnership with Hoteleticket's national hotel base, directing American Express' clients into our member hotels." Helms added that "Hoteleticket welcomes the opportunity to coordinate its services with American Express, the pre-eminent organization in the travel industry, whose reputation for 'travel firsts' is well-known."

Hoteleticket is a subsidiary of Miami-based Hotelecopy FaxMail, Inc., the world's largest public access FaxMail network, operating in nearly 2,000 hotels, airports and U.S. post offices. Hotelecopy FaxMail, Inc. is endorsed by the American Hotel & Motel Association as "the FaxMail network of the lodging industry."

CONTACT: Stanley Fields of Hotelecopy FaxMail, Inc., 800-765-3334

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HOUSTON (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Garnet Resources Corp (NASDAQ: GARN) today announced the current status of certain operations in the Putumayo area of Colombia.

Garnet said that the Linda No. 2 well, a confirmation test three-quarters of a mile east of the Linda No. 1 discovery well, has reached total depth of 9,340 feet and electric logs have been run. Garnet's evaluation of present well data suggests that certain pay zones may not produce oil, and further testing of the well is required to determine with certainty whether the well has oil production potential. The test program, which has been commenced, is estimated to take two weeks.

The company said it is proceeding with plans to request approval from Empresa Colombiana de Petroleos, the Colombian national oil company, to develop and produce the Toroyaco and Linda fields. If approved, the project would include construction of a 50-mile pipeline to transport oil to existing Trans-Andean pipeline facilities for Pacific Coast export. First Production is not expected before the second half of 1991.

Garnet stated further that the Mary No. 1, an exploration well approximately 6.5 miles northeast of the Linda No. 1, is presently drilling at approximately 4,000 feet toward a projected total depth of approximately 8,100 feet.

Garnet is engaged primarily in international oil and gas exploration activities. Exploration and production operations in Colombia are conducted through its subsidiary Argosy Energy International.

CONTACT: Albert E. Whitehead, chairman, 918-587-8093, or George M. Nevers, president, 713-759-1692, both of Garnet

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#90281p2236 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Control Data Corporation (NYSE: CDA) and Martin Marietta Corporation (NYSE: ML) announced an agreement today under which Martin Marietta will purchase Control Data's reconnaissance systems business segment.

Under terms of the transaction, the rights to complete development, testing, integration and production of the Advanced Tactical Air Reconnaissance System (ATARS) will transfer from Control Data, which has been the program's prime contractor, to Martin Marietta, subject to formal approval by the U.S. Air Force. Additional terms of the sale were not disclosed. As a result of the transaction, Control Data will establish a reserve of approximately $10 million in the fourth quarter.

Control Data was awarded the ATARS contract in 1988 to provide sensor integration and reconnaissance management systems to the U.S. Air Force's Aeronautical Systems Division.

ATARS is an upgrade to U.S. Air Force tactical reconnaissance aircraft with electro-optical sensor suites replacing existing camera and film systems. It includes both low and medium altitude electro- optical sensors, an infrared line scanner, a digital recorder, a jam- resistant data link and a reconnaissance management system.

ATARS records video information on magnetic tape that can be directly transmitted from aircraft to ground stations. Aircraft crews also can review and edit the video imagery.

With the acquisition of the ATARS program, contract management is being transferred to Martin Marietta Electronic Systems, Orlando, Fla.

Martin Marietta will integrate ATARS sensors into the U.S. Air Force's RF-16 reconnaissance pod, the Navy's F/A-18 reconnaissance pallet and the services' medium range unmanned air vehicle.

Control Data is a provider of data solutions that integrate hardware, software and services to meet customers' complex data collection, processing and communications needs. Its Government Systems business provides computer systems, hardware, software and related services to the defense and space industries.

Martin Marietta Corporation designs, manufactures, integrates and operates systems and products in leading edge technologies, including aerospace, electronics, information management, materials and energy.

CONTACT: Don Bruun of Control Data, 612-853-7001, or Chip Manor of Martin Marietta, 407-356-0851.

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CADILLAC, MI (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Con-Way Central Express (CCX), an Ann Arbor, Mich. based regional trucking company, has completed construction of a new service center in Cadillac that will provide next-day freight service to 600 northwest Michigan communities.

The new service center, which opens today, is located on a five-acre parcel at 7859 E. 34th Rd., Cadillac, 616-779-1900. Ken Holgate has been named service center manager for the new facility, which has 24 doors for processing freight shipments and more than 10,000 square feet of dock space.

The facility initially will employ 10 people and will have seven tractors and 14 trailers for making local freight pick-ups and deliveries, according to Gerald L. Detter, CCX president. CCX began serving northwest Michigan communities in 1988, providing service on a second-day delivery basis, Detter noted.

"In two years, our business in this region has grown considerably," said Detter. "With the new Cadillac facility in operation, we will be able to upgrade our service to next-day delivery, handle higher freight volumes for more customers, and serve additional cities on a next-day basis."

Cadillac will provide local pick-up and delivery in an area bordered on the north by Traverse City, west to Ludington, south to Big Rapids and Mt. Pleasant, and east to Houghton Lake.

The advantage of the new Cadillac center for local businesses, Detter explained, is the ability to use CCX's 98 percent on-time service as a "warehouse on wheels," moving products to and from a wider regional market, yet still making next-day delivery commitments, thereby increasing sales or reducing inventory and supplier costs.

Next-day service points from Cadillac will include cities such as Chicago and Rockford, Ill; Cleveland; Cincinnati; Dayton, Ohio; Milwaukee; and Louisville, Ky; as well as most of the state of Michigan.

CCX, founded in June 1983, operates a regional trucking network covering more than 35,000 communities across 11 Midwestern states, specializing in expedited next-day delivery for commercial and industrial freight shipments. It is one of four regional overnight trucking units of Con-Way Transportation Services, (CTS), a trucking and intermodal freight services company based in Palo Alto, Calif.

CTS's other regional carriers are Con-Way Western Express, Santa Fe Springs, Calif.; Con-Way Southern Express, Charlotte, N.C.; and Con-Way Southwest Express, Dallas. CTS also operates CF Truckload Service and CF Ocean Service, both based in Fort Worth, Texas.

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#90281p2241 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TUALATIN, OR (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - In a move that demonstrates the company's innovation and expertise in Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) technology, In Focus Systems Inc. today announced it has been awarded a patent for very high-resolution (1280 x 1024 or higher), monochrome LCD display systems. In Focus is now the only LCD projection panel manufacturer that can provide the same high pixel resolution found in workstations. The new patented technology can be designed into products such as LCD projection panels, or direct-view displays for laptop and portable computers.

Prior attempts by LCD manufacturers to provide the 1280 x 1024 resolution were physically limited by inadequate refresh rates. To achieve the higher resolution, an electric current must sequentially refresh more than twice as many lines of the liquid crystal display in the same amount of time it takes to refresh 640 x 480 resolution LCDs, the current industry standard. Beyond the 640 x 480 resultion threshold, "flickers" begin to appear as the refresh rate lengthens.

In Focus overcame this limitation by coupling two 1280 x 512 resolution LCD panels to produce the 1280 x 1024 resolution. In Focus' patented high-resolution fabrication process, called interdigitating, stacks two 1280 x 512 resolution LCD panels, each containing alternating active and inactive rows, that are staggered so that each active row is in alignment with an inactive row. Interdigitating the panels reduces the number of rows that must be refreshed on a single panel. This maintains the 60-times-per-second refresh rate requirements, but provides the very high pixel resolution. The same concept can be extended to produce even higher resolution displays.

"LCD developers have been searching for the key to developing 1280 x 1024 high-resolution displays for quite some time," stated Paul Gulick, co-founder and vice president of technology of In Focus Systems. "We came up with a very straightforward concept that not only achieves high resolution in LCDs, but is easy to manufacture in quantity."

This is not the first patent awarded to In Focus for its advancements in LCD technology. The company also holds a patent for its triple supertwist nematic (TSTN1/8TM3/8) true-color LCD technology. In Focus is the only company with the capability to manufacture LCD projection panels that provide full-color, photographic-quality images. According to Gulick, In Focus has a patent pending on 1280 x 1024 resolution color LCDs.

In Focus has designed the 1280 x 1024 resolution monochrome LCDs into a projection system that is built into an overhead projector. The system projects monochrome images generated by workstations onto a wall or screen. Prototypes of the projection system have been developed for Digital Equipment Corp., who displayed the prototypes at DEC World earlier this year. The very high-resolution projection systems can be used in training and workgroup applications such as software code reviews by software engineering teams, CAD/CAM project reviews, and document editing. The company is currently taking orders for custom-made, high-resolution LCD products.

In Focus Systems Inc. was founded in October 1986 to develop, manufacture and market innovative information display products. The company shipped its first product, an LCD projection panel, in February 1987 and introduced the industry's first 640 x 480 high-resolution, color panel in October 1989. For more information on In Focus Systems products, contact In Focus Systems at 7770 S.W. Mohawk Street, Tualatin, Ore., 97062, or call toll-free, 800-327-7231 (503-692-4968 in Oregon).

CONTACT: Janet Eden-Harris or Jennifer Fox of KVO Inc., 503-645-1551, for In Focus Systems Inc.

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#90281p2242 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TUALATIN, OR (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - In a move that demonstrates the company's innovation and expertise in Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) technology, In Focus Systems Inc. today announced it has been awarded a patent for very high-resolution (1280 x 1024 or higher), monochrome LCD display systems. In Focus is now the only LCD projection panel manufacturer that can provide the same high pixel resolution found in workstations. The new patented technology can be designed into products such as LCD projection panels, or direct-view displays for laptop and portable computers.

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#90281p2243 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Kim Whitehead has been named general manager of GTE Discovery Publications Inc., the company announced today.

Before joining GTE Discovery Publications, Whitehead was marketing director of GTE Marketing Services in Dallas. She was previously employed by U.S. West for 12 years, where she held positions in strategic planning, product development and directory publishing.

GTE Discovery Publications is comprised of Alaska Northwest Books, which publishes more than 100 northwest region book titles, and GTE Travel Enterprises, a publisher of official state tourism guides. In total, the company will produce more than one million books and magazines in 1990-91.

Whitehead replaces Gary Tranter, who is now a national sales manager for GTE Marketing Services. Tranter will be selling integrated direct marketing services to the travel and tourism industry.

CONTACT: George Alan Hein of GTE Discovery Publications, 800-331-3510.

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#90281p2246 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - National Intergroup, Inc. (NYSE: NII), announced today that it intends to call off its tender offer for all outstanding units of Permian Partners, L.P. at $3.5625 plus one non-transferable contingent value right per preference unit, if the amendment to Permian's Partnership Agreement that is a condition to the tender offer is not adopted by Nov. 6, 1990 (the date on which the New York Stock Exchange has required that all consents of the limited partners to the adoption of the amendment will expire).

NII said that as of the close of business on Oct. 5, 1990, the partnership was approximately 900,419 units short of the number of consents required to adopt the amendment. NII stated that the process cannot continue indefinitely and that it does not intend to raise the tender offer price.

NII also said that, to encourage brokers to work with their clients so that the Nov. 6 deadline can be met, it will pay to any qualified broker or dealer a fee of $0.05 per unit for each valid and unrevoked consent to the amendment solicited by him or her, provided that the amendment is adopted. NII said the fee will be paid only to brokers or dealers who represent to NII that they have disclosed to their clients any substantial interest, direct or indirect, that they have in Permian or its affiliates.

In addition, NII announced that on Oct. 5, 1990, the Order of the Delaware Court approving the previously announced settlement of certain litigation relating to the tender offer became a final unappealable judicial order in satisfaction of the settlement condition to the tender offer.

NII also announced that it is extending the tender offer until 5 p.m. (New York City time) on Oct. 22, 1990, subject to NII's right to extend the offer further. The offer was previously scheduled to expire at 12 midnight (New York City time) on Oct. 5, 1990. As of the close of business on Oct. 5, 1990, approximately 9,639,800 preference units, including 1,956,659 preference units pursuant to notices of guaranteed delivery, had been tendered and not

withdrawn pursuant to the offer. The offer is conditioned upon, among other things, there being tendered and not withdrawn prior to the expiration of the offer at least 7,875,001 of the publicly held preference units, representing a majority of the publicly-held preference units.

CONTACT: Judith A. Hale of National Intergroup, 412-394-4305.

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#90281p2248 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEDIA, PA (OCT. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - VWR Corp. (NASDAQ: VWRX) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.20 per share, payable Dec. 5, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 9.

VWR Corp., headquartered in Media, is the nation's second largest distributor of laboratory supplies and equipment, with sales in excess of $400 million.

CONTACT: Walter S. Sobon of VWR, 215-891-9752, or Ann K. Carmody of Earle Palmer Brown & Spiro, 215-851-9652, for VWR.

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#90281p2251 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - NWNL Companies, Inc.. (NASDAQ: NWNL) issued the following statement to correct what it believes to be a misleading opinion about its financial prospects for 1991 by a well-known short seller. The opinion was made public in the Oct. 5 issue of USA Today.

"Based on current information and our expectations for 1991, the management of NWNL Companies, Inc. is confident that the company's earnings from operations will remain strong. Our sound operating position gives us the long-term ability to earn our way through the downturn in the real estate and high yield bond markets that has affected virtually every sector of the financial services industry," said John E. Pearson, the company's chairman and chief executive officer.

"Despite the opinion by a short seller quoted in the Oct. 5 USA Today, we do not foresee the need for unusually large increases in the reserves we hold to protect against potential losses in our investment portfolio. Specifically, we expect 1991 net income to exceed the net income we have recorded during the last four quarters," Pearson said.

"It is important for investors to understand that short sellers stand to profit from the effect of negative predictions. It is also important for investors to be aware that this short seller's opinion on earnings outlook does not reflect the published opinions of any of the analysts who follow NWNL " he said.

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#90281p2253 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - FileNet Corp. (NASDAQ: FILE) today said it expects to report revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of approximately $22 million, an increase of approximately 18 percent over the $18.6 million for the third quarter of 1989. It also said it expects to report a net loss for the quarter of approximately $500,000 or a loss of 5 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $1.8 million or a loss of 17 cents per share, in the comparable 1989 quarter. FileNet shipped 19 systems during the quarter, compared to 18 systems in the same quarter a year ago.

Revenues for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, are expected to be approximately $73 million, an increase of 29 percent from $56.5 million for the same period of the prior year. The company has shipped a total of 74 systems in the nine months, up from 66 in the same period for 1989. Net income and net income per share are expected to approximate $2.9 million, or 28 cents per share, compared to $205,000, or 2 cents per share, for the same period last year.

"In addition to the usual types of delays in customer purchasing cycles, we also began to experience order delays due to the increasingly negative economic environment," stated Ted Smith, president and CEO. "A number of financial, commercial and governmental organizations changed their acquisition plans due to increasing signs of a recession and increased tensions in the Middle East. We anticipate that this economic environment will continue for some time. Therefore, we are reviewing our revenue expectations and expense plans for the balance of the year and 1991."

FileNet's financial position remains strong with cash and marketable securities of approximately $16.5 million. The company is well positioned financially with an estimated $44 million in working capital, a current ratio of approximately 3.4 to 1, and minimal long-term debt. At Sept. 30, 1990, the company estimates that shareholders' equity was $66.5 million, or $6.45 per share.

FileNet expects to release final third quarter results by Oct. 22, 1990. FileNet Corp. is the worldwide leader in manufacturing and marketing image processing systems used in paper-intensive business applications. A pioneer in its field, FileNet today has more than 370 systems installed in 29 countries. The company, which is headquartered in Costa Mesa, Calif., has sales offices in the United States, Canada, France, Germany and Switzerland. FileNet systems are sold in 25 other countries by Ing. C. Olivetti & C., S.p.A., and other distributors.

CONTACT: Mark St. Clare of FileNet, 714-966-3577; or Lise Needham of the

Financial Relations Board, 415-986-1591, for FileNet.

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#90281p2254 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Humphrey Inc. (NASDAQ: HUPH) today announced it has received a contract from Israel Military Industries amounting to more than $1 million for two types of gyroscopes.

The gyros are for Israel's Delilah, an unmanned air vehicle decoy. Delivery is scheduled to begin in early 1991 and be completed by August 1991.

The company's backlog is currently at about $31 million. Humphrey Inc. is a leading supplier of gyroscopes and electromechanical devices to the aerospace and defense industries with sales and representation worldwide.

CONTACT: D.J. Streed of Humphrey Inc., 619-565-6631.

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#90281p2256 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Ogden Corporation (NYSE: OG) and Ogden Projects (NYSE: OPI) announced today that David L. Sokol has resigned his position as president and chief executive officer of Ogden Projects, Ogden's 85 percent owned waste-to-energy subsidiary, and agreed to become a consultant to the company.

R. Richard Ablon, president and chief executive officer of Ogden Corporation and chairman of the board of Ogden Projects, praised Sokol's contributions to the company and expressed pleasure with the fact that Sokol will be a consultant to Ogden Projects on a non-competing basis for many years to come.

"David Sokol and I have worked successfully together for many years and I am pleased that we will be able to continue an association while guiding Ogden's resource recovery and growing array of environmental and energy services in the years ahead," said Ablon. Ablon added that there are no immediate plans to name a successor to Sokol as president of Ogden Projects. "David Sokol and I have the utmost confidence in the management team in place at Ogden Projects headquarters in Fairfield, N.J. Ogden Projects is the market leader in large solid waste-to-energy facilities and we fully expect to maintain and enhance that position," said Ablon.

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#90281p2258 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Corrections Corporation of America (CCA)

(NASDAQ: CCAX) and the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tenn., (Metro) today announced they have reached an agreement for CCA to build and manage a medium-security detention facility for Metro. The prison will be built initally with 640 beds and have expansion capability to 872.

Nashville Mayor Bill Boner believes the privatization of this new correctional facility is a very positive step for Metro government with numerous benefits. "The awarding of this contract to CCA will save taxpayers dollars in both the construction and operation of this facility," stated Mayor Boner, "as well as allow us to meet the federally-mandated deadlines imposed to reduce the overcrowding of our jails."

CCA Chairman Thomas W. Beasley said the company is looking forward to managing a facility in Nashville, where CCA's corporate headquarters are located. "We are providing the very best jail and prison management to governments throughout the sunbelt," Beasley said, "and saving the taxpayers money everywhere we operate. We're particularly excited to do that here at home."

The new $18 million detention facility will be located on the present DeBerry Correctional Institute site. The site is being given to Metro by the state of Tennessee in return for Metro's agreement to house felons for the state. Metro will finance construction of the facility and will be reimbursed by the state over time.

A construction and three-year management contract between Metro and CCA was negotiated after a competitive bidding process in which CCA was the only vendor to submit a proposal. The project has been approved by the state Building Commission and the Metro City Council.

Construction of the facility should begin immediately, with opening scheduled for March 1992. The contract is expected to generate in excess of $6 million annually for CCA.

CCA manages prisons and other correctional institutions for governmental agencies. The company is the industry leader in private sector corrections with 6,744 beds in 21 facilities under management contract or construction. CCA provides a full range of services that include finance, design, construction, renovation and management of new or exisitng facilities.

CONTACT: Peggy Wilson of Corrections Corporation of America, 615-292-3100, or Rick Runyeon of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tenn., 615-862-6000.

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#90281p2268 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FL (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - RoTech Medical Corporaton (NASDAQ-NMS:

ROTC), a marketer and distributor of home care products and services announced earnings of $.30 per share for the year ended July 31, 1990 as compared to earnings of $.19 per share for the year ended July 31, 1989.

Net income for fiscal 1990 of $1,370,959 compares to net income of $823,495 for fiscal 1989. Net revenues increased 32 percent to $16,881,486 for the year ended July 31, 1990 vs. $12,816,341 for the year ended July 31, 1989.

ROTECH MEDICAL CORPORATION
FISCAL YEAR

	1990	1989	Percentage Increase
Net Revenues	$16,881,486	$12,816,341	31.7
Net Income	$ 1,370,959	$ 823,495	66.5
Earnings per share	$ .30	$ .19	57.9

NET REVENUES BY SEGMENT	1990	1989	Percentage Increase (Decrease)
Home Medical	$10,586,139	$ 8,363,960	26.6
Equipment Home Infusion	$ 4,932,843	$ 2,092,367	135.8
Therapy Services Repackaged Pharmaceuticals	$ 1,306,965	$ 1,751,595	(25.4)
Other	$ 55,539	$ 608,419	(90.9)
	$16,881,486	$12,816,341	31.7

Management attributes the $4,065,145 or 32 percent growth in net revenues to the following: Home Infusion Therapy net revenues more than doubled as the company continued to expand these products and services to all of its locations. Despite the reductions in Medicare reimbursement experienced during 1990, Home Medical Equipment net revenues increased 27 percent. This was due primarily to the first year net revenues from 1989 and 1990 acquisitions. These increases were offset somewhat by decreases in net revenues for Repackaged Pharmaceuticals and other segments. The net revenue decrease in these segments result from management's refocus on home care which began in fiscal 1989.

Net income increased to $1,370,959 for the year ended July 31, 1990 as compared to $823,495 for the year ended July 31, 1989. This increase of 66 percent is due to the increased revenues without large cost increases.

Rotech Medical Corporation's commitment to home care is shown by its 136 percent increase in home infusion therapy, a 27 percent net revenue increase in home medical equipment during a time of reimbursement cutbacks, its de-emphasis of non-home care segments and the pending acquisition of VitalCare of America.

The VitalCare acquisition, which is expected to increase the net revenues of the home infusion segment to over $10 million annually, will expand RoTech to

new markets in Texas, Pennsylvania and Nevada. The expansion approach, as in the past, is designed on maintaining profitability while continuing to increase market share.

CONTACT: Stephen P. Griggs of RoTech Medical Corporation, 407-841-2115

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Medtronic, Inc. (NYSE: MDT) announced today the first implant of a cardiac pacemaker designed to respond to circulatory needs caused by a patient's emotional state as well as those caused by his or her level of physical activity.

The world's first dual-sensor pacemaker was developed and manufactured by Vitatron Medical B.V., Medtronic's Dutch subsidiary. M.A.J. Landman, M.D., and P.J. Senden, M.D., both cardiologists, performed the implant on Sept. 21, 1990 at De Lichtenberg Hospital in Amersfoort, the Netherlands.

The new device incorporates the latest technologies developed by Vitatron in its quest for pacemakers that respond to the body's physiological signals and metabolic demands like the healthy natural heart does. While Medtronic's modern rate responsive pacemakers adjust to needs of the body by sensing physical activity, the Vitatron device is designed to react both on physical activity and on such intense human feelings as anger, anxiety, or passion.

As the heart muscle prepares to contract, or beat, its flow of electrical ions is visualized in an electrocardiographic parameter: the "Q-T interval." This interval varies with the heart's level of circulating catecholamines, which is sensitive to the patient's metabolic demand both during and after physical activity and emotional stress.

Designed to sense ion flow and measure the Q-T interval, the new pacemaker combines this information with signals from a piezoelectric crystal that senses physical activity. The device thus combines the fast response of the piezoelectric crystal and the physiologic properties of the Q-T interval to stimulate the heart appropriately both during and after exercise. Cross-checking information from the two sensing systems continually, the circuitry is designed to respond only to information related to metabolic demand.

Medtronic, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, is a leading developer and manufacturer of biomedical devices for improving cardiovascular and neurological health.

CONTACT: Elizabeth Combs (investors), 612-574-3038 or Dick Reid (media), 612-574-3052, both of Medtronic

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HOUSTON (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Sanifill, Inc. (AMEX: FIL) today issued the following statement in response to a recent article in Barron's:

We have read with disappointment, Briloff's latest salvo against U.S. business -- this time our company, Sanifill, Inc. Consistent with his articles of the past, it is shallow and totally inaccurate. A major indication -- the first page of our financials contains our auditor's report which was included in our IPO and several filings thereafter. Briloff suggests our auditors are Arthur Andersen & Co. Had he looked at the first page of our financials, let alone those that follow, he would note our auditors are Ernst & Young, Enough said -- I am sending along to Briloff a towel to wipe the egg off his face.

Sanifill, Inc., headquartered in Houston, is an environmental services company specializing in nonhazardous waste disposal.

CONTACT: Al Warrington or John Sanders of Sanifill, 713-865-9800

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Metropolitan Financial Corporation (NYSE: MFC), Minneapolis, announced late Friday, Oct. 5, that it had acquired the deposits of the Burnsville, Minn., branch office of Midwest Savings Association, Minneapolis, from the Resolution Trust Corporation. Metropolitan Financial Corporation, which acquired the deposits through Metropolitan Federal Bank, fsb, its Fargo, N.D.,- based savings bank subsidiary, paid $151,800 for the $30.3 million of deposits.

Company officials noted that the deposit premium paid in the transaction was similar to the premium paid on the $427 million of deposits that Metropolitan Financial recently purchased from the RTC in 11 North Dakota communities.

Stan K. Dardis, president of Metropolitan Federal Bank, stated, "We are excited by this opportunity to increase our Burnsville deposit base. We recently opened a new office in Burnsville in a location we share with Edina Realty, Metropolitan Financial's real estate sales and brokerage subsidiary. The addition of these deposits will make the Burnsville office our second largest in the Twin Cities metropolitan area."

Dardis noted that Metropolitan Federal Bank now has nearly $300 million in deposits and 16 offices in the Twin Cities and surrounding communities.

Metropolitan Financial Corporation is a regional financial services holding company. Metropolitan Federal Bank, its retail savings bank subsidiary,

operates 110 offices in 91 communities in Minnesota, North Dakota, Iowa, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Arizona. Its Mortgage banking subsidiary, Metropolitan Financial Mortgage Corporation, is the Twin Cities largest originator of residential mortgage loans and Edina Realty is Minnesota's largest homeseller. The company's common and preferred stock trade on the New York Stock Exchange, the common under the symbol MFC.

-0- 10/8/90 /CONTACT: Bill Bartkowski of Metropolitan Financial Corporation, 612-339-8859/

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HOUSTON (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Battle Mountain Gold Company (NYSE: BMG), in conjunction with its Bolivian affiliate, Inti Raymi, today announced that it has delineated approximately 4.1 million ounces of proven and probable gold reserves and 26.8 million ounces of silver at its Kori Kollo gold project in Bolivia. The company holds a 51 percent interest in the project. The new reserves bring the company's total contained proven and probable attributable reserves to approximately 6 million ounces, an increase of about 40 percent compared with year end 1989.

BMG Chairman Karl E. Elers said approximately 55.1 million short tons of mineable sulfide ore and 5.7 million short tons of mineable oxide ore has been identified at Kori Kollo, grading 0.067 ounces per ton gold and 0.44 ounces per ton silver. This represents a significant increase over the company's earlier estimates of commercial mineralization at the property. About three million tons of oxide ore will be processed in the current leach facility prior to start up of a milling operation. The ore body remains open to adding reserves in two lateral directions. Six drill rigs are currently working to define possible extensions of the deposit.

Presently projected recovery values are expected to average 63 percent for gold and 25 percent for silver. These recoveries reflect the refractory nature of a portion of the sulfide mineralization in which the gold is encapsulated in pyrite. The stripping ratio is expected to be about 1.2:1.

Cash operating costs for the sulfide project are estimated to be less than $180 per ounce. These costs do not include depreciation of capital, interest on financing, royalties or taxes.

Elers said the company is finalizing a feasibility study which it expects to complete soon. A development decision is expected by year end, subject to obtaining acceptable financing.

Assuming a positive development decision and acceptable financing, construction could begin in the first quarter of 1991, with gold production commencing in late 1992 at an annual rate of approximately 240,000 ounces. BMG's annual share of that production would be approximately 122,000 ounces. The company's share of silver production would be about 315,000 ounces.

Elers said that the company anticipates the construction of a carbon-in-leach (CIL) facility of approximately 15,400 tons per day. The project is expected to cost between $90 million and $100 million. He noted that the project will help provide a significant base of production for BMG through the 1990s.

The company has been pleased with the success of the current operation on the smaller oxide deposit at Kori Kollo, which is being mined at a rate of about 45,000 ounces per year. It is also encouraged by the favorable investment climate in Bolivia and the government's support of international mining involvement, Elers said.

Empresa Minera Inti Raymi, S. A., a Bolivian gold mining company in which BMG holds a 51 percent interest, owns and will operate the project. Other owners in addition to BMG, are Zeland Mines S. A. and Westworld Resources, Inc., each of which hold a 24.5 percent interest in the project.

CONTACT: Les Van Dyke of Battle Mountain Gold, 713-653-7248

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Donaldson Company, Inc. (NYSE: DCI) announced today that its Board of Directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 1,000,000 shares (approximately 10 percent) of its common stock. As of Oct. 1, 1990, Donaldson had approximately 9,620,000 common shares outstanding. The repurchase of the shares will be accomplished from time to time, depending upon market conditions, through open market or privately negotiated transactions. This repurchase program replaces a similar program begun in July 1987, under which all but 215,000 shares were repurchased. The shares repurchased will become treasury shares and will be used for general corporate purposes.

William A. Hodder, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Donaldson, stated that "in view of the Company's strong financial position, we believe that the repurchase of shares from time to time represents an attractive investment opportunity which will benefit the Company and our stockholders."

Donaldson Company, Inc. is a worldwide manufacturer of air cleaners, liquid filters and exhaust products and accessories for heavy duty mobile equipment; in plant air cleaning systems; air intake systems and exhaust products for industrial gas turbines; and specialized filters for computer disk drives,

copiers and clean room components. Products are produced at plants in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Missouri, Wisconsin and nine other locations around the world. The company's shares are traded on the New York Stock exchange under the symbol DCI.

CONTACT: John R. Schweers of Donaldson Company, Inc., 612-887-3014; or John Mackay of Padilla Speer Beardsley, Inc., 612-871-8877, for Donaldson Company

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#90281p2280 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Nova Pharmaceutical Corporation (NASDAQ: NOVX) today announced that it has signed an agreement with Mediventures, Inc. under which the companies will jointly develop psychiatric products using Mediventures' QUICKSOLV(TM) technology. According to the agreement, Nova will have an exclusive North American license to market products developed under the agreement.

Under the agreement, Nova and Mediventures will develop new products incorporating approved psychiatric medications into QUICKSOLV formulations which will be manufactured by Mediventures. QUICKSOLV tablets dissolve quickly and offer patients the convenience of a tablet with the ease of swallowing a liquid. The planned product line includes antipsychotics, antidepressants, anxiolytics and sedative/hypnotics.

The agreement is consistent with Nova's objective to develop innovative formulations for psychoactive pharmaceuticals which can be marketed through its psychiatric sales force. Nova's sales force currently markets in the United States a psychiatric product line consisting of Thorazine(R), Stelazine(R), Eskalith(R) and Parnate(R).

Nova Pharmaceutical Corporation, based in Baltimore, is engaged in the research and development of new drugs and drug delivery systems, with a primary focus on central nervous system disorders and pain and inflammation.

Mediventures Incorporated is based in Grosse Pointe, Mich., and has a research center in Ann Arbor, Mich. Mediventures is engaged in the development, manufacture, and marketing of drug delivery systems and medical devices with two lead technologies: QUICKSOLV formulations (quick dissolving dosage forms) and FLOWGEL(TM) technology (unique substances that are liquid at room temperature and that gel at body temperature).

CONTACT: Kira Bacon of Nova Pharmaceutical, 301-558-9465, or Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for Nova Pharmaceutical.

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#90281p2283 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA (OCT. 8) - USAir today reported a 7.1 percent gain in revenue passenger miles flown in scheduled service during September compared with the same month of last year.

Available seat miles flown rose 8.2 percent. September load factor was 55.7 percent compared with 56.3 percent for September 1989.

During the first nine months of 1990 USAir posted a gain of 5.3 percent in revenue passenger miles flown versus the same period of 1989, and a gain of 7.3 percent in available seat miles flown. Year-to-date load factor was 60.1 percent compared with 61.3 percent for the same period of 1989.

Statistics for 1989 periods prior to USAir's merger with Piedmont Airlines on Aug. 5, 1989, have been restated to reflect the combined airline operations of both carriers on a pro forma basis.

	Sept.		Percent	Year to Date		Percent
	1989	1990	Change	1990	1989	Change
Passengers						
Enplaned	4,634,270	4,669,953	(0.8)	45,360,274	46,165,279	(1.7)
RPMs (000)	2,744,208	2,562,846	7.1	26,732,440	25,398,887	5.3
ASMS (000)	4,924,982	4,549,923	8.2	44,445,989	41,415,941	7.3
Passenger Load Factor						
(in percents)	55.7	56.3	(0.6)pts	60.1	61.3	(1.2)pts
Avg. Passenger Journey						
(miles)	592.2	548.8	7.9	589.3	550.2	7.1

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, 703-418-5100 or 213-417-1294.

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#90281p2285 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines today announced that it has ordered 50 Boeing 757 aircraft, including 25 options, to further modernize its fleet through the mid-'90s.

The firm aircraft order, including engines and spare parts, is valued at approximately $1.2 billion. Financing arrangements will include significant participation by the aircraft and engine manufacturers.

"This order is a significant component of a well-reasoned fleet plan we have developed for the '90s and beyond," said Hollis L. Harris, chairman and CEO. "Delivery of the 757s will allow us to replace older, less fuel-efficient aircraft, and will be part of our growth plans.

"The 757 is especially well-suited for service on our high-density, medium-to-long distance domestic routes, as well as some international routes

" Harris added. "And while Continental's fleet already ranks among the most modern in the industry, we feel this order will make a substantial contribution to our other plans for improving the quality of our service product."

Harris was joined in making the announcement by Dean Thornton, president of the Boeing Commercial Aircraft Group.

The 757-200 is a highly fuel-efficient, twin-engine aircraft which seats 180-190 customers. As a Stage III aircraft, it is a "good neighbor" at noise-sensitive airports. Continental said it has yet to select the aircraft powerplants, which are available from either Rolls Royce or Pratt & Whitney.

Aircraft delivery is scheduled to begin in May of 1993 and will continue for several years.

Continental also has an order with Boeing for 100 firm and option 737s, as well as with Airbus Industrie for 40 firm and option long-range A330s and/or A340s. With today's announcement, Continental has a total 190 aircraft on order, including 95 options. Currently the airline operates a fleet of 338 aircraft.

CONTACT: Continental Airlines corporate communications, 713-834-5080

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#90281p2286 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Anheuser-Busch is airing a new network television commercial with a strong message geared to a new audience for the world's largest brewer. The message: "Let's Stop Underage Drinking Before It Starts." The audience: the parents of young children.

The 30-second commercial titled "Dressing Up" features two young children playing "dress up" to illustrate the point that parents are the most effective role models for children and urges parents to call 1-800-359-TALK to receive "Family Talk About Drinking" materials.

"Family Talk About Drinking" consists of a set of guides written with authorities and provides advice and insights to the parents of preteen children to help them curb underage drinking. The program is driven by the grassroots network of more than 900 Anheuser-Busch beer wholesalers under the company's "Know When To Say When" efforts, and has been supported print advertising since March. The "Family Talk About Drinking" materials are now in the hands of more than 325,000 families.

"Our goal with 'Family Talk' is to help in the effort to stop underage drinking before it starts...and we are working toward that goal by providing this program to as many parents as possible," said Stephen J. Burrows,

Anheuser-Busch vice president of consumer awareness & education. "This television campaign is a major commitment designed to make that goal a reality."

The "Family Talk" spot portrays two young children playing "dress up" in their parent's bedroom: the boy tries to tie a necktie; the girl puts on lipstick and a necklace. The announcer reminds the viewers that the most influential person for children is their parents and that positive examples contribute to a child's development. The spot concludes with the tag line "Stop Underage Drinking Before It Starts" and provides the "Family Talk" 800 number.

The free set of parent guides were written under the guidance of authorities on alcohol abuse, family counseling and child development. The guides include strategies to help parents communicate effectively with their children in an effort to prevent underage drinking.

"Underage drinking is on the decline, and we believe that awareness and education are the best ways to prevent abuse. There is no more important place to start than with our children in the family setting," Burrows said.

The 30-second commercial, "Dressing Up" was produced by D'Arcy Masius Benton & Bowles, St. Louis.

CONTACT: David White, 314-982-1700, for Anheuser-Busch

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NEW YORK, (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied Plywood Corporation, a subsidiary of PLY GEM Industries, Inc. (AMEX: PGI), today announced that Valeri M. Suslov has joined the company to initiate and negotiate production, trade and export agreements with Soviet timber, pulp and lumber manufacturers.

Suslov is the exclusive representative authorized by the Ministry for Timber Industry of the U.S.S.R. to negotiate these agreements with companies in the United States and Canada.

According to Suslov, the Soviet Union has the largest timber base of any country in the world, accounting for roughly one-quarter of all the world's timber. In particular, the Soviet Union accounts for about half the world's clear coniferous fiber wood, or virgin timber, which is the most widely sought-after wood within the furniture and home improvement industry.

"Mr. Suslov's knowledge and relationships within the Soviet timber industry are unparalleled. Combined with his understanding and skill in the international marketplace, he will bring unprecedented opportunities to our customers," said Robert Prezzano, president of Allied Plywood.

In addition to negotiating the purchase of wood products from the U.S.S.R., Suslov will develop trade agreements in which Allied Plywood will arrange for Soviet purchases and barter involving wood product machinery, including logging equipment, road building equipment and lumber, panel board and paper converting equipment from United States and Canadian producers.

V/O Exportles was, until recently, the sole all-union trading organization for all Soviet wood products. Now, Suslov estimated, as a single economic complex V/O Exportles accounts for 95 percent of the trading of all Soviet wood products.

Allied Plywood Corporation is a national distributor of specialty woods and building materials. Allied International, its import division, brings in exotic woods from the U.S.S.R., South America, Scandinavia, Canada, Europe, Asia and Africa. PLY GEM Industries, Inc., with its 11 independent operating companies, is a national manufacturer and distributor of specialty products for the home improvement industry.

CONTACT: Mark Rose of Howard J. Rubenstein Associates, 212-489-6900, for PLY GEM

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#90281p2297 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSING, MI (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Maxco, Inc. (NASDAQ: MAXC) today announced that Richard G. Johns, a member of its executive committee, has been elected to the board of directors.

"Dick Johns has played a key role in strategic planning as well as daily operations of the company," according to Max A. Coon, chairman and president.

Dr. Johns, 45, is vice president of Maxco, Inc. and president of Wright Plastic Products, Inc., a Maxco subsidiary. He joined Maxco when Capital Management Group, Inc., of which he was part owner, was acquired in 1986. He earned a doctorate in inorganic chemistry from Notre Dame University and has done post graduate work at Florida State University.

Dr. Johns replaces L.D. Johns (no relation), who has resigned to pursue other interests.

With approximately $90 million annualized revenue, Maxco distribution businesses include Finishmaster, Inc., which supplies auto paint and accessories. The construction supplies group markets commercial and highway construction materials throughout Michigan, Wisconsin and Indiana. In addition to Wright Plastics, Pak Sak Industries and Akemi Plastic are other Maxco businesses.

CONTACT: Max Coon or Vince Shunsky of Maxco, Inc., 517-484-1414;

Dixie Watterson, 708-564-5610, Bruce Marcus, 212-599-2820, Largent Parks, 214-387-4520, Earle Brown, 813-796-1452, or Tim King, 213-541-4415, all of The Investor Relations Company, for Maxco, Inc.

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#90281p2298 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, FLA. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - DBA Systems, Inc.'s (NASDAQ: DBAS) GRASS Support Center announces the release of a special GRASS upgrade called GRASS 3.1+. The Geographic Resources Analysis Support System (GRASS) is a powerful raster-based Geographic Information System (GIS) developed by the U.S. Army Construction Engineering Research Laboratory (USA-CERL). GRASS allows for the storage, analysis and display of maps, images, and other spatially referenced data. The 3.1+ upgrade will be available in early November 1990. This special release will consist of new GRASS programs that DBA has developed under contract to USA-CERL and several programs written specifically for users of the Sun(TM) version of GRASS. The following capabilities will be part of the DBA release:

-- Data exchange between GRASS and ArcInfo
-- Interactive map annotation
-- Ortho-rectification
-- Pie and Bar Chart Graphics
-- An enhanced SunView(TM) graphics driver

DBA has been distributing and supporting GRASS GIS on a worldwide basis for three years.

CONTACT: John L. Slack, chairman of the board, president and CEO of DBA Systems, Inc., 407-727-0660, ext. 2535

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#90281p2301 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA PAULA, CA (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - H & H Oil Tool Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: HHOT) today announced the appointment of Robert K. Foote as chief financial officer.

Foote, 45, joined H & H as corporate controller in 1980 and was named vice president of finance in 1985. He succeeds Zella A. Rushing, who remains chairman of the board.

Prior to joining H & H, Foote was a staff auditor with Price Waterhouse, a financial administrator. A Certified Public Accountant, he received a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Brigham Young University.

Foote is a director of the Ventura County Economic Development Association and a member of the Ventura chapter of the American Petroleum Institute (API). He

resides in Camarillo.

H & H Oil Tool, founded in 1953, and its wholly owned subsidiary, H & H Bi-Co Rental Inc., rent a wide range of equipment to oil, gas and geothermal companies throughout the western United States. The Midway fishing Tool Company division provides rentals and specialized services and equipment for recovery of downhole tools at drilling and production sites throughout California.

CONTACT: Henry H. Rushing of H & H Oil Tool Co., 805-525-6679, or Roger S. Pondel or Kim Feazle, of Rifkind, Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for H & H Co.

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#90281p2303 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - A contract to supply up to four gas turbine generators to the South Fond du Lac Project has been awarded to a unit of Asea Brown Boveri Inc. (ABB) by Wisconsin Power & Light Company (WP&L) and Wisconsin Public Power Inc. SYSTEM (WPPI). The award has a potential value of more than $73 million. Three of the generators are for WP&L and one is for WPPI.

ABB Energy Services Inc. said the generators, to be delivered between 1992 and 1996, will supply Wisconsin's growing need for peaking power. The contract also covers testing, training and plant commissioning at the facility, which is jointly owned by WP&L and WPPI.

ABB Energy Services, located in North Brunswick, N.J., provides and services gas turbine generators and turnkey systems for peaking, base load and combined cycle operations.

Asea Brown Boveri provides products and services for the power, process, industrial automation, environmental control, transit and other markets. The company and its subsidiaries have sales of approximately $6 billion and some 30,000 employees in the United States.

CONTACT: Karen Armour of Asea Brown Boveri, 203-328-2217, or (home) 203-655-9461

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#90281p2307 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - R.R. Donnelley and Sons Company (NYSE: DNY), North America's largest commercial printer, with 1989 sales exceeding $3.1 billion, and the owner of Metromail Corporation, a leading U.S. database management company, has acquired Business Mail Data Services Ltd. (B.M.D.S.) of Bradford, England.

Donnelley currently has four printing facilities in the United Kingdom, including its Ben Johnson divisions in York and Gateshead, and operations in London and Thorp Arch. Its facilities serve the directory, magazine, catalog, computer documentation and financial printing sectors.

In 1987, R.R. Donnelley acquired Metromail, a leading U.S. supplier of demographic data, mailing lists, and mail shop services. Metromail was acquired to expand Donnelley's range of services to the U.S. direct mail industry. B.M.D.S., with fiscal 1990 sales of approximately $5 million, provides a similar service to the direct mail industry in the U.K.

The B.M.D.S. company will continue to operate under its existing management with John K. Dobson continuing as managing director and chief executive.

CONTACT: Ronald G. Eidell, vice president & treasurer, 312-326-8375 or James M. Ratcliffe, vice president, 312-326-8030, both of R.R. Donnelley; or in the U.K., John A. Capstick, president of R.R. Donnelley International Group and chairman and CEO of Ben Johnson and Company Limited, 011-441-256-9133.

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#90281p2309 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Research scientists from the Brain Bank at the Netherlands Brain Research Institute in Holland have reported the discovery of a biomarker indicating that the presence of Alzheimer's disease can be determined in live patients.

Up until now, confirmation of an Alzheimer's diagnosis could only be determined after death by brain autopsy.

This discovery of the biomarker was reported by Dr. Rivka Ravid of the Netherlands Brain Research Institute at the International Congress of Neuropathology, held in Kyoto, Japan in September.

Dr. Gerlof Homan, president of Senetek PLC (NASDAQ: SNTKY), explained that the discovery involves a small protein, ubiquitin, which has been found in abnormally high levels in the cerebrospinal fluid of people that have died with Alzheimer's disease.

Ubiquitin is present in all cells and is important for normal cellular function. However, in people suffering from Alzheimer's Disease, ubiquitin becomes associated with the abnormal material that accumulates within the brain cells, eventually leading to their death. As these cells die, the ubiquitin escapes into the cerebrospinal fluid, where it can be detected using a monoclonal antibody-based test system.

Senetek PLC has the worldwide rights to this proprietary monoclonal antibody test system.

Dr. Homan said testing is now under way at the Netherlands Brain Research Institute, at the Frenchay Hospital in Bristol, England, and other leading Alzheimer's research centers in Europe to establish the usefulness of the test in detecting Alzheimer's Disease in patients at earlier stages. Testing is also under way in Japan.

Alzheimer's disease is estimated to affect more than 10 percent of the population over 65 years of age and is considered the major cause of death in the United States after cancer and cardiovascular disease.

Details of the discovery of the biomarker are expected to be published later in a scientific journal, Dr. Homan said.

CONTACT: Dr. Gerlof Homan, president of Senetek, 6 The Pines Court, Suite D., St. Louis, Mo. 63141, 314-542-2202, or fax 314-542-2210

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#90281p2310 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Seagull Energy Corporation (NYSE: SGO) today announced a natural gas and condensate discovery at Galveston Area Block 273 in the Gulf of Mexico.

Seagull said its No. 1 OCS G-9037 well encountered six productive gas and/or condensate zones, two of which were tested. Through perforations at a depth of 9,642 to 9,654 feet, the well flowed at a rate of 2.9 million cubic feet of natural gas and 96 barrels of condensate per day on a 14/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 3,200 pounds per square inch. From the second set of perforations at a depth of 8,764 to 8,780 feet, the well flowed at a rate of 3.3 million cubic feet of gas per day on a 14/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 2,153 pounds per square inch.

Seagull's exploration and production subsidiary holds a 40 percent working interest and is the operator of the discovery, which is in federal waters 55 feet deep approximately 20 miles south of Galveston, Texas. Hardy Oil & Gas, Inc., and UMC Petroleum Corporation hold the remaining working interests of 35 percent and 25 percent, respectively.

A second well is currently being drilled. In addition to its exploration and production activity, Houston- based Seagull is engaged in the transportation, distribution and marketing of natural gas, liquids products and petrochemicals and natural gas processing.

CONTACT: Alan Payne of Seagull Energy, 713-951-4700.

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#90281p2313 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - URCARCO, INC. (NASDAQ: CARS) announced today that sales for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $52.8 million, according to Clifton H. Morris Jr., chairman and CEO. This was an increase of 111 percent over last year's first quarter sales of $25.0 million.

Sales for the month of September were $17.5 million, compared to $9.5 million for September last year, an increase of 84 percent.

URCARCO, INC. operates a chain of 18 used car retail lots in Fort Worth, Dallas, Austin, Houston and San Antonio, Texas, selling quality used passenger cars and light trucks and typically financing customer purchases.

CONTACT: Henry T. Stanley, 817-882-7008 or Robyn B. Trent, 817-882-7018, both of URCARCO

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#90281p2317 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
WEIRTON, WV (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Acting to stimulate the recycling of steel beverage cans, Weirton Steel Corp. (NYSE: WS) announced a sharp increase in the price it will pay for bi-metallic beverage cans for remelting in its steelmaking furnaces.

"Effective Oct. 2, we began paying $150 per gross ton, FOB Weirton, for bi-metalic beverage cans. This represents an increase of about 70 percent from the previous price range," the company said.

In its announcement, Weirton Steel added that it will accept delivery of used beverage cans (UBCs) directly at its plant and through selected scrap processors, depending on volume.

Any questions or requests for additional information are to be directed to John Turner of Weirton's purchasing department, 304-797-2257.

Weirton Steel said its latest move should give an important boost to the effort to raise the recycling rate of steel beverage cans.

CONTACT: Charles R. Cronin of Weirton Steel Corp., 304-797-2306.

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#90281p2318 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Herbert D. Kelleher, chairman of the board and CEO of Southwest Airlines Co. (NYSE: LUV), announced today that the company flew 768.4 million revenue passenger miles (RPMs) in September 1990, a 10.3 percent increase over the 696.4 million RPMs flown in September of last year.

Available seat miles (ASMs) increased 9.7 percent to 1,374.7 million from the September 1989 level of 1,253.7 million ASMs. The load factor for the month was 55.9 percent compared to 55.5 percent for the same period in 1989.

For the third quarter of 1990, Southwest flew 2,680.5 million RPMs compared with 2,447.9 million RPMs recorded for the same period in 1989, an increase of 9.5 percent. Available seat miles increased 10.4 percent to 4,259.7 million from the 1989 third-quarter level of 3,859.4 million. The 1990 third-quarter load factor was 62.9 percent compared to 63.4 percent for the same period last year.

Kelleher stated, "Our September results came in about as expected, just slightly ahead of last year's very average September load factor performance. This was achieved despite our capacity increase of almost 10 percent, which was primarily in our intra-California markets.

"We are adding five aircraft to our schedule in fourth-quarter 1990 and have announced new service to Reno, Nev., effective Nov. 15, from Las Vegas and Oakland. Although bookings currently look good for fourth-quarter travel, our traffic outlook remains guarded given current international political and economic concerns."

For the first nine months of 1990, Southwest flew 7,564.3 million RPMs compared with the 7,063.7 million RPMs recorded for the same period in 1989. Available seat miles increased 10.9 percent to 12,221.3 million from the year-to-date 1989 level of 11,016.7 million. The year- to-date load factor was 61.9 percent compared to 64.1 percent for the same period last year.

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#90281p2322 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Texaco Inc. (NYSE: TX) will receive a special award for its exceptional support for the arts, including its 50-year support for the Metropolitan Opera, from the Business Committee for the Arts (BCA) on Wednesday, Oct. 10.

Texaco's President and Chief Executive Officer James W. Kinnear will accept the Special Recognition Award at an event attended by national business, arts and government leaders in the diplomatic reception rooms at the U.S. Department of State.

International opera star Rise Stevens will present the award to Kinnear in recognition of Texaco's long-term commitment to the Metropolitan Opera and its general fostering of the arts.

"We are honored to receive this award, and pleased that Texaco's commitment to

the arts and our long relationship with the Metropolitan Opera have contributed significantly to the vitality of the arts in this country and abroad," said Kinnear.

Stevens praised Texaco's sponsorship of the Saturday afternoon radio broadcasts of the Metropolitan Opera, which began on Dec. 7, 1940 with the Saturday matinee performance of Mozart's "Marriage of Figaro." More than 1 million Americans tuned in to this broadcast, which began the longest corporate sponsorship of an arts institution in this country.

Since that time Texaco has expanded its involvement by working with the Met to create the Texaco-Metropolitan Opera Radio Network which broadcasts via satellite to more than 300 stations in the United States and over the CBC in Canada, reaching 95 percent of the population in North America. In 1977 Texaco added a new dimension to its support of the Met by sponsoring television broadcasts of the Metropolitan Opera on PBS. In addition, Texaco sponsored the 1983 broadcast of the Met's Centennial Gala celebration and the landmark telecast of Richard Wagner's "Ring" cycle.

During the past five decades, Texaco has sponsored nearly 1,000 performances of 123 different opera companies across the United States. In addition, Texaco has underwritten professional scholarships for talented young singers. The company also took a leadership role in establishing the Met's $100 million Centennial Endowment Fund -- the first endowment fund in the Met's history.

In addition to its involvement with the Met, Texaco co-sponsors "Great Performances" on PBS and provides substantial support to other cultural institutions such as Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, the Los Angeles Philharmonic and the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The company also underwrites international cultural endeavors such as the "Festival of Indonesia" which is currently touring the United States.

Texaco has received the Business in the Arts Award sponsored by the Business Committee for the Arts and FORBES Magazine four times: 1967, 1978, 1981 and 1983. The company was also honored with a Special Achievement Award in 1987 at the BCA's 20th anniversary and business in the arts awards dinner.

The Business in the Arts Awards, presented annually by the Business Committee for the Arts and FORBES Magazine, are the first and only national awards to salute the collaboration between businesses of all sizes throughout the United States with the arts. The BCA, founded in 1967 by David Rockefeller, is a national non-profit organization of business leaders committed to encouraging and developing business partnerships with the arts.

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#90281p2323 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
FORT WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Tandy Corporation (NYSE: TAN) is actively participating in the development of Digital Compact Cassette (DCC) technology, it was announced today by John V. Roach, chairman and CEO.

Digital Compact Cassette technology is based on revolutionary digital audio encoding and recording techniques that produce Compact Disc sound quality in an affordable consumer system.

"Tandy is working with Philips Consumer Electronics in the continuing development and commercialization of this exciting new digital recording technology for the consumer audio market," Roach said. This new technology, for the first time, will enable the consumer to record high quality digital audio on DCC tapes, play pre-recorded DCC tapes, or play standard analog cassette tapes, with the same system.

Roach said that Tandy is developing its Digital Compact Cassette player/recorder and DCC tape at two of it United States development centers. Tandy will distribute its U.S.-manufactured DCC systems and DCC tape through its extensive marketing channels, and anticipates sales to other consumer electronics firms on an OEM basis, for domestic and export sales.

Introduction plans have not been set pending completion of product development by Philips and Tandy, and favorable action by the U.S. Congress on copyright legislation related to digital recording technology.

Tandy Corporation is a leading producer for consumer electronics and is the largest consumer electronics retailer in the United States. Tandy is also a leading manufacturer of audio and video tape marketed by Tandy's Memorex and Radio Shack divisions and through other channels of distribution.

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#90281p2325 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - American Speedy Printing Centers, an international franchise chain of 700 printing centers, has instituted a public service program to boost the morale of U.S. armed forces in Saudi Arabia by providing pre-addressed, pre- printed envelopes free to anyone who wishes to write soldiers.

In addition to providing the free envelopes, American Speedy Printing Center owners are working with local schools and community groups to institute student letter writing campaigns.

Instituted by American Speedy Printing Center owner Lance Pawloski, in Royal

Oak, Mich., the public service program has provided nearly 500,000 envelopes over the last five weeks. American Speedy Printing Centers Chief Operating Officer Jerry Bergler estimates that up to 2 million additional envelopes will be distributed in the next month, as more and more printing centers adopt the effort.

"Our hats are off to Lance Pawloski and the other American Speedy Printing Centers owners who have taken it upon themselves to get involved with the letter-writing campaign," said Bergler. "It makes all of us here at American Speedy Printing feel very proud that our organization is helping support the military effort in the Middle East this way."

Persons wishing to receive free, pre-addressed envelopes may call Kristin Brender at American Speedy Printing Centers' World Headquarters at 313-335-6200 for the name of a nearby participating center.

American Speedy's program has the endorsement of the U.S.O. and is most active in Springfield and Peoria, Ill.; Chicago; Indianapolis; Louisville, Ky.; Tulsa Okla.; and Detroit.

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#90281p2326 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MURRAY HILL, NJ (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - As microelectronics companies pack ever more information-handling equipment into semiconductor devices, circuitry patterns grow increasingly intricate - and even minuscule particle contamination in process gases can have a major impact on product yields. The BOC Group, a leading global supplier of industrial gases and services, and parent company of Airco Gases, has developed state-of-the-art procedures for evaluating the new breed of ultrasensitive particle counting equipment. James K. Tseng, lead engineer at The BOC Group Technical Center (Murray Hill, N.J.), outlined key steps of BOC's equipment-testing regimen last month in a presentation, "Evaluation of an advanced laser particle counter," at the International Committee of Contamination Control Societies' 10th International Symposium on Contamination Control in Zurich, Switzerland.

The focus of BOC's study is the PMS (Micro)LPC-HS, a laser counter recently introduced to the market by Particle Measuring Systems, Inc. BOC's test procedures confirmed that the PMS (Micro)LPC-HS is the first commercial laser particle counter that can examine gases for particle sizes below O.1 micrometer, down to 0.05 micrometer.

BOC, which produces a full range of ultrapure gases for use in the electronics industry, also designs, installs and maintains gas distribution systems. BOC wanted to assess the capabilities of the new laser particle counter, using

criteria that would reflect field challenges encountered in assuring specified gas purity throughout delivery systems. The company decided to concentrate on three different performance characteristics. Those characteristics were background noise (electronic interference that could give false readings), accuracy in sizing particles, and efficiency in counting particles.

To test for background noise interference, BOC used highly filtered zero-particle gas as a control. Any positive readings by the particle counter would likely be the result of electronic noise. Tests showed that the noise level was acceptably low.

In evaluating the laser counter's sizing capabilities, BOC used aerosols containing polystyrene latex microspheres of known sizes. The laser counter was able to satisfactorily identify anticipated size ranges.

To assess efficiency in counting particles, BOC compared the new counter's capabilities with a standard particle counter, and with a condensation nuclei counter, a device that is highly sensitive in detecting, but not sizing, particles. The new laser satisfactorily met the tests.

Airco Gases is the U.S. gases business of BOC, and is a leading manufacturer and supplier of industrial gases and gas handling technology in the United States. The company's primary gas products include liquid and gaseous nitrogen, oxygen, argon and carbon dioxide, helium, hydrogen and a variety of medical, rare and special gases.

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#90281p2331 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT SMITH, ARK. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - R.S. Boreham Jr., chairman and CEO of Baldor Electric Co. (NYSE: BEZ) of Fort Smith, Ark., and E.A. Sweo, president and chairman of the board of Sweo Controls Inc. of Bellevue, Wash., jointly announced today that an agreement in principal has been reached whereby Baldor will acquire Sweo Controls for an undisclosed amount.

Sweo Controls Inc., founded in 1980 by Ed Sweo, is a profitable company with current annualized sales of over $4 million. The company manufactures inverters, vector drives and other electronics drives that complement both the Baldor general purpose products used widely in industry and Baldor's motion products that deliver precision positioning and motion control in factory automation. Sweo products widely broaden Baldor's offering of electronic motor products.

Sweo will operate as a subsidiary of Baldor Electric Co. and will report directly to the CEO of Baldor. Sweo will continue to operate in its Bellevue

location and market its products through its present representatives and distributors.

Boreham added, "The addition of Sweo positions us to expand our markets, in keeping with our goal of selling more electric motors along with related electronic products."

CONTACT: R.S. Boreham Jr., chairman and CEO, or R.L. Qualls, president, 501-646-4711, both of Baldor Electric

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#90281p2334 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Tescorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: TESC) reported today that an additional 104,200 shares of its Series 1990 convertible preferred stock will be distributed to former holders of American Century Corporation subordinated debentures. Pursuant to American Century's confirmed plan of reorganization, record holders of debentures on July 11, 1990 previously received a distribution of 69.8 shares of Tescorp convertible preferred stock for each $1,000 debenture, in addition to Tescorp common stock and warrants. Record holders of American Century debentures on July 11, 1990 will now receive an additional 12.85 shares of Tescorp convertible preferred stock for each $1,000 debenture.

The American Century plan of reorganization provided that 134,800 shares of Tescorp convertible preferred stock would be held in escrow and utilized to satisfy the claim of the indenture trustee for the debentures for reimbursement of its reasonable fees and expenses as determined by the bankruptcy court. Following this determination, 30,600 of the escrowed shares were sold in the open market at the price of 3-15/16, the proceeds of which, plus dividends on the escrowed shares, will be used to satisfy the indenture trustee claim. The remaining 104,200 escrowed shares are accordingly being distributed to former American Century debenture holders.

Tescorp manufactures and sells cable and cable connectors to the geophysical industry through its Tescorp Seismic Products division. The company also manufactures and distributes oil and gas production equipment through its Clif Mock division. For the three months ended June 30, 1990, Tescorp's revenues were $6,165,000 and net income was $382,000, or $0.07 per share.

CONTACT: C. Robert Bunch, president of Tescorp, 713-462-0867

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T will be giving away free three-minute long distance phone calls to anywhere in the world to military personnel and their immediate families in honor of Broward Navy Days on Oct.

13 and 14 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the AT&T booth located on the east side of Terminal 19 at Port Everglades in Fort Lauderdale.

Uniformed military personnel will be given priority for the free three-minute phone calls.

The public is invited to visit the AT&T booth where AT&T will give out AT&T game cards. Fill the card out, scratch off the box and become an instant winner! Become eligible to win lots of prizes including the grand prizes of an AT&T cordless phone and an AT&T Trimline phone.

CONTACT: Julie Spechler of AT&T, 305-662-6411 (office) or 305-922-3537 (home).

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#90281p2345 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Panhandle Eastern Corporation (NYSE: PEL), a Houston-based natural gas pipeline company, is supporting the development of cleaner-burning vehicle fuels through a limited duration test with the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (Metro). Panhandle Eastern will provide liquefied natural gas (LNG) to Metro as an alternative fuel source for five city buses during the test period.

Metro will conduct a field test to determine the technical and economic feasibility of operating city buses on LNG instead of diesel fuel. Metro, like several other transit authorities throughout the country, is testing natural gas as a fuel source because of its potential to reduce environmentally harmful emissions. The relatively low price of natural gas compared to current diesel fuel prices also appeals to cost-conscious bus operators.

Panhandle Eastern, through its subsidiaries Trunkline LNG Company and Pan National Gas Sales, Inc., will provide the LNG to Metro. LNG is natural gas reduced to a liquid state by cooling to minus 260 degrees Fahrenheit.

Texas transit systems are the first in the nation required to use cleaner-burning fuels. The Texas Clean Air Act, which took effect Aug. 28, 1989, requires 30 percent of the publicly owned fleet vehicles to convert to an alternative fuel by 1994. Metro is testing two different types of natural gas fuels: LNG and compressed natural gas.

"Panhandle Eastern Corporation supports the state's efforts to encourage the use of clean and efficient alternate transportation fuels," said L.B. Gatewood president of Trunkline LNG. "Our participation in Metro's test program for buses fueled by LNG could be an important step in developing economic and environmentally sound vehicle fuels."

The five 30-foot buses using the LNG will be on regular Metro routes

throughout the city. The buses have been converted to LNG use and supplied by Houston-based Stewart & Stevenson.

Panhandle Eastern Corporation operates one of the nation's largest interstate natural gas pipeline systems, providing natural gas to the Midwest and Northeast markets.

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#90281p2347 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Sun Refining and Marketing Co. announced today it has opened a used oil collection center called "Oil Drop" at one of its Atlantic service stations in Exton, Pa.

"Sun is concerned about the safe disposal of used motor oil and the possible environmental damage that can be caused by its mishandling. This concept provides an environmentally sound alternative for the do- it-yourself oil changers," said David C. Rippy, vice president, Sun's Lubes Division.

"Sun intends to test this used oil collection concept during the next few months and, if the concept is successful, expand it throughout its entire marketing area," said Rippy.

Customers must transport their used oil (up to five gallons accepted) in approved, closed containers to Sun's collection centers, and they may retain or dispose of their containers at the center.

Sun is the second largest manufacturer of lubricating oils in the United States and markets lubes throughout the world.

Sun Refining and Marketing Co. is a subsidiary of Sun Co. Inc. (NYSE: SUN).

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DALLAS-FORT WORTH AIRPORT, TEXAS (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - American Airlines flew 6.2 billion revenue passenger miles in September, up 8.6 percent from a year ago and a record for that month.

The airline flew 10.3 billion seat miles, reflecting an 8.7 percent increase in its capacity since September 1989.

International traffic, which has been strong all year, grew at record levels,

with Europe showing a 13.4 percent increase month over month. The European load factor was up substantially from September a year ago and the highest of all international markets since March. European capacity increased 2.7 percent.

"Once again our international routes helped carry the airline," said Michael W. Gunn, senior vice president-marketing. "The September load factor for Central and South America exceeded our expectations.

"And while there was a seasonal decline in the Pacific load factor from August it was still strong at 70.7 percent," Gunn said.

On the domestic front, traffic increased 2.6 percent from 4.8 billion RPMs to 4.9 billion although the load factor decreased from 59.6 percent to 58.8 percent.

Year over year, September was the best month since February, Gunn said. RPMs for the nine-month period were up 4.5 percent from 55.4 billion to 57.9 billion. ASMs jumped 7.1 percent for the same period, from 85.7 billion to 91.8 billion. The load factor fell from 64.6 percent to 63.1 percent.

As for cargo, American flew 66.9 million freight ton miles, up 21.2 percent from 66.9 percent. Year over year, freight ton miles were up 19.9 percent, from 470.3 million to 563.8 million. Mail ton miles rose 8.8 percent, from 19.9 million to 21.6. Year to date, freight ton miles were up 16.4 over 1989 from 170.5 million to 198.5 million.

"Our continuing double-digit growth in a generally flat cargo market reflects the high quality of American's cargo service," said William R. Boesch, American's vice president-cargo.

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#90281p2355 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

RYE BROOK, NY (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI CALL USA service began operating Oct. 3 from Saudi Arabia, MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) announced today. The service is available from all of the Saudi PTT's telephones.

MCI expects that civilians -- journalists, businessmen and other American citizens -- will use the service. United States Military personnel who have an appropriate calling card or who may wish to place a collect call and have access to Saudi PTT phones may use the service. Earlier, MCI announced provision of a complimentary calling service from Saudi Arabia to the United States for emergency calling through the American Red Cross.

Argentina, Austria, Israel, Panama, Turkey, and Uruguay also have been added

to MCI CALL USA service which is available today from each of these countries.

MCI Call USA service was started by MCI two years ago. It is now available from 28 countries. The service offers traveling Americans the opportunity to enjoy MCI's low prices and high quality by using toll- free (freephone) numbers to reach English-speaking operators in the United States. The calls may be charged to the MCI Card, Bell Operating Company Cards, or the Telecom Canada card. Calls may also be placed collect to the party called.

With the overseas billing option of the MCI Card, announced last week, Americans living overseas -- businessmen, embassy personnel, U.S. military and civilians -- can sign up for the MCI Card and charge their MCI calls to a Visa or MasterCard account. The monthly total will appear on their credit card statement and MCI will deliver a detailed statement of all calls each month. MCI is offering $15 of free calling to customers who sign up for the MCI Card with the overseas billing option before the end of the year.

The MCI CALL USA countries and prices follow. Please note that from Nov. 1, 1990 to Jan. 31, 1991 a special promotional price of $.79 a minute is in effect from Italy and Japan.

	MCI CALL USA Operator Numbers	First Minute rate	Additional minute rate
Austria	022-903-012	1.01	1.01
Argentina	001-800-333-1111	2.38	1.10
Australia	0014-881-100	3.15	1.18
Bahrain	800-002	3.45	1.24
Belgium	11-00-12	1.84	1.03
Bermuda(A)	1-800-623-0484	1.26	.84
Brazil	000-8012	2.47	1.05
Chile	00 (B) -0316	2.24	1.04
Colombia	980-16-0001	2.38	1.10
Denmark	8001-0022	1.68	1.08
Finland	9800-102-80	1.89	1.21
France	19 (B) -00-19	1.68	1.03
Greece	00-800-1211	2.16	1.21
Guam	950-1022	3.36	1.36
Hong Kong	008-1121	3.44	1.28
Israel	177-150-2727	2.95	1.18
Italy(C)	172-1022	1.84	1.03
Japan	0039-121	3.15	1.17
Netherlands	06 (B) -022-91-22	1.68	1.03
Panama	108	1.44	1.04
Saudi Arabia	1-800-11	3.03	1.09
Singapore	800-0012	3.15	1.28
Sweden	020-795-922	1.58	1.00
Switzerland	046-05-0222	1.84	1.03

Taiwan	AIRPORT PHONES ONLY	3.63	1.42
Turkey	99-8001-1177	2.22	1.24
United Kingdom	0800-89-0222	1.43	.93
Uruguay	000-412	2.50	1.06

(A) -- Limited availability (B) -- Wait for second dial tone
(C) -- Available from most major cities

A $2 surcharge applies to calls billed to a card; a $5 surcharge applies to collect calls.

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DENVER (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Gas Resources Inc. ("Resources") (NYSE: WGR) today announced that it will propose a restructuring after which it will own all outstanding interests in its 52 percent owned partnership subsidiary, Western Gas Processors Ltd. ("Processors") (NYSE: WGP).

In the restructuring, all outstanding Preference Units of Processors will first be converted into Common Units of Processors through prepayment of all remaining preference distributions on the Preference Units, which will be approximately $2.20 per Unit if the transaction is approved in early 1991 as scheduled. All holders of outstanding Common Units of Processors will then receive Common Stock of Resources in exchange for their Common Units, expected to be on a one for one basis, and Processors will cease to be a publicly traded entity. The transaction is expected to be tax free to holders of all Units. After completion of the restructuring, Resources intends to pay dividends on its Common Stock of 5 cents per share per quarter (or 20 cents on an annual basis) in 1991. In the restructuring, Resources will issue approximately 9.95 million additional shares of its Common Stock for the equivalent number of Units outstanding. There will be no dilution to Resources' or Processors' equity owners after the restructuring because the founders and the public security holders will hold the same percentage interests in the consolidated entity as before the transaction was consummated.

Completion of the restructuring, prepayment of the preference distributions on the Preferred Units and payment of dividends on the Common Stock all will be conditioned, among other things, on approval of the restructuring by stockholders of Resources and unitholders of Processors, and by the founders. A closing of the restructuring is planned for early 1991 to coincide with an early annual meeting of the stockholders of Resources.

Bill Sanderson, president of Western Gas Resources, stated that "After the restructuring, all cash not used for operations and dividends will be employed in the company's ongoing growth strategy. By moving from a structure that is part corporate and part partnership to one that is completely corporate, an

increased amount of cash should be avaliable for the company's ongoing business. This should prove to be beneficial to all the current security holders of Resources and Processors and less confusing to the investing public."

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#90281p2360 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Occidental Petroleum (NYSE: OXY) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Occidental Petroleum Malaysia LTD., had tested oil and gas in Block SK-6, offshore Sarawak in East Malaysia.

Bentara-1, located approximately 100 miles offshore in 200 feet of water, encountered several oil and gas bearing zones between 6,726 and 8,695 feet below sea level. Two of the zones were tested at rates of 1,200 barrels per day of 32 degree API gravity oil through a 7/16 inch choke and 9.8 million cubic feet of gas through a 1/2 inch choke. Further appraisal drilling is required to determine the extent of the discovery.

Offshore Sarawak, Occidental is the operator with a 100 percent exploration interest, for two contiguous blocks, SK-6 and SK-8, containing a total of 5.3 million acres. Occidental also has a 50 percent exploration interest in the 1.9 million acre block SB-2 offshore Sabah.

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#90281p2361 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WASHINGTON, PA. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Regal Communications Corp. (NASDAQ: RCOM) announced today it has completed the sale of the assets of Lottery Player's Magazine and the Regal Service Bureau to Samuel W. Valenza Jr., former president of Regal, in exchange for the transfer to Regal of 165,000 shares of Regal common stock owned by Valenza.

Regal also completed the transaction in which Valenza relinquished his right to have released to him from escrow 1.2 million shares of Regal common stock held under a management incentive escrow agreement in exchange for the payment to Valenza of $100,000. Concurrent with the transactions, Arthur Toll was elected president and chief executive officer, positions previously held by Valenza.

The sale of Lottery Player's Magazine, Toll said, "should have a positive effect on Regal because management will be able to concentrate all of its efforts on its primary business, the audiotex services/ telecommunications

industry."

CONTACT: Melisa Hoffrichter of Regal Communications, 215-540-1190

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#90281p2370 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (OCT. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - UTI Chemicals Inc. has signed an agreement with American Pacific Co. of Irvine. American Pacific will be an agent representing UTI's automotive technology to the original equipment and automotive aftermarket industries. The first company who will use UTI's patented automotive technology is Daihatsu Motor Co. Ltd.

American Pacific Co. is a marketing service and project management company. They represent various companies that supply parts and accessories to the automotive, motorcycle and power products industries. American Pacific has done projects for Suzuki, Toyota and Mitsubishi.

UTI has conducted extensive research and development on automotive parts for the past 12 months. Approximately 22 parts were engineered for Daihatsu. Prototype molds were made and the parts were tested. Production molds are near completion and manufacturing will commence within a few months.

The Daihatsu parts will be manufactured in the United States by Star Custom Products Inc. of Anaheim, Calif. Star Custom Products already does urethane automotive parts for the aftermarket. They presently have the necessary equipment in order to go into production. Additional equipment will be purchased from UTI which will speed their production line. "Star Custom Products will then purchase their chemical systems from UTI under a license agreement," says Vincent F. Panaroni, president of UTI Chemical Inc.

CONTACT: Richard Steinke, Vincent Panaroni, or Edward Morrisroe, all of UTI Chemicals Inc., 714-837-0800

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#90281p2371 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Maxwell Communication Corporation plc (MCC) today announced the sale to funds advised by Schroder Venture Advisers of 100 percent of MCC Italia -- consisting of Panini Children's Album Collection Publishers -- for a consideration of approximately 60 million pounds sterling. Completion is planned during November 1990.

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#90281p2377 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
MANILA, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlas Consolidated Mining & Development Corp. (AMEX: ACM) announced today that it had signed a 12- year $30 million loan agreement with Mitsubishi Metal Corporation, proceeds of which will be utilized to pay off a portion of Atlas foreign currency debts at a discount.

The Mitsubishi loan is one of the major components of Atlas' financial restructuring plan, which together with a revised rights offering now being discussed, is being implemented to further strengthen the company's financial position.

The Mitsubishi $30 million loan agreement also includes a 15-year contract calling for the purchase of 130,000 metric tons of cooper concentrate per annum, terms and conditions of which are to be negotiated on a year-to-year basis. Atlas will supply the concentrate from its Toledo, Cebu mine, the largest copper mine in Southeast Asia.

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#90281p2381 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Biogen, Inc. (NASDAQ: BGEN) today reported record revenues and net income for the third quarter of 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, the company reported revenues of $14,812,000 resulting in net income of $1,791,000 or 1 cent per share following dividend payments on its preferred stock. For the third quarter last year, the company reported net income of $1,692,000 or 1 cent per share based on revenue of $11,548,000.

For the first nine months of calandar 1990, revenues increased 51.4 percent to $43,287,000 and earnings per share amounted to 3 cents vs. breakeven in 1989.

Worldwide sales of Intron-A(R) alpha interferon by our licensee Schering-Plough continued to expand sharply during the quarter. In addition, sales of hepatitis B vaccines and diagnostics by our licensees around the world also continued to grow. All of this contributed to substantial increases in royalty income for Biogen.

During the third quarter, Biogen was awarded an important European patent for the production of recombinant beta interferon. This patent is an important component of our commercialization strategy for beta interferon in both Europe and the United States.

Hirulog, our anti-coagulent peptide, successfully completed Phase I clinical trials. Phase II trials will begin shortly.

Finally, we made two key personnel announcements this quarter. In August, Kenneth M. Bate was appointed vice president, finance and chief financial officer. In September, Alan Belzer, president & chief operating officer of Allied-Signal, Inc., was elected to the Biogen board of directors.

Jim Vincent, chairman and chief executive officer of Biogen, commented, "The acceleration of our product revenue growth in this quarter, especially from Intron-A alpha interferon, was particularly gratifying. With our financial profile and rapid revenue growth, we are optimistic that our clinical, research and people development programs will have the necessary capital to fund their growth as we move toward our goal of becoming an operating pharmaceutical company."

Biogen is a leading biotechnology company principally engaged in developing genetically engineered pharmaceuticals. As a result of its early research, Biogen now derives revenues from five products being sold by its licensees in various countries. Biogen currently directs its research and development into areas where the company has particular strength -- AIDS, inflammation, cardiovascular and selected cancers.

BIOGEN, INC.
FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER 1990:
(Amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues: Royalties and product sales	$11,436	$5,029	$31,682	$18,737
Research & development contracts	1,023	1,939	4,592	2,227
Additional proceeds from foreign restructuring	---	2,330	---	3,405
Interest	2,353	2,250	7,013	4,221
Total revenues	14,812	11,548	43,287	28,590
Expenses:				
Cost of sales	634	272	2,198	489
Research & dev.	9,616	7,192	27,157	19,577
General & admin.	2,464	2,290	7,625	6,619
Other-net	251	96	996	265
Total expenses	12,965	9,850	37,976	26,950
Income before income taxes	1,847	1,698	5,311	1,640
Income taxes	56	6	166	16
Net income	$1,791	$1,692	$5,145	$1,624
Preferred dividends	$1,466	$1,466	$4,398	$1,522

Earnings available to common stock	$325	$226	$747	$102
Earnings per share of common stock	1 cent	1 cent	3 cents	---
Average number of shares outstanding	25,929	23,465	25,200	23,419

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MIAMI (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - BellSouth (NYSE: BLS) today announced a new approach to systems integration that focuses on the effective integration of its customers' private information systems with emerging public network capabilities.

Collectively marketed under the tradename Integration Plus (SM) Management Services, this family of "hybrid" network services will be coordinated through BellSouth's Advanced Network Group, which provides various architectural, design and management assistance to BellSouth's customers.

Coupling its aggressive deployment of digital switching, SS(No.)7 and enhanced services with recent developments in hybrid network management and professional services, BellSouth has positioned its operating companies to materially expand their role in their customers' more sophisticated network activity. Specifically, the Advanced Network Group's services should be of particular interest to customers with inter-enterprise applications, demanding network management and/or security requirements, or simply an acute need to better optimize network capitalization and related operating costs.

BellSouth is, further, announcing a new service in its Integration Plus (SM) family of Network Management Services that promises to markedly differentiate its approach from the wide assortment of customer network management tools already in the market. This sophisticated system, intended to amalgamate various other network management tools, is referred to simply as "HYBRID NETWORK MANAGEMENT SERVICE" (HNMS) and represents the first manifestation of BellSouth's vision of the future of integrated network management: i.e., one which will offer customers a seamless view of both the private and public segments of their network. HNMS not only combines most private network management systems into a single common platform but it provides unprecedented surveillance and control of public elements as well. HNMS, once combined with other "intelligent network" capabilities, will facilitate capital optimization through accelerating the migration of heretofore private/dedicated network resources into public/private-virtual hybrids. Heading a list of major network customers, Duke Power Co. will be BellSouth's first production customer for the HNMS system; Duke's plans call for installation at their corporate headquarters in Charlotte, N.C., in early 1991. Other customer

announcements are forthcoming pending further negotiations.

On hand at the 1990 Southeastern Telecommunication Association (SETA) annual conference to demonstrate a prototype of HNMS, Rick Moran, BellSouth Advanced Network Group's Operations Manager for all network management products, pointed out that: "HNMS will be merely the vanguard of BellSouth's Integration Plus Management Services in that it will tie the others together. But, through its premises-based architecture and functional interfaces, HNMS will provide large customers with a powerful platform through which to integrate parochial, or otherwise private, systems such as IBM's NetView."

BellSouth's Advanced Network Group effort is headquartered in Atlanta. BellSouth is an international telecommunications holding company. The Atlanta-based corporation is composed of two operating telephone companies, Southern Bell and South Central Bell, which serve 70 percent of the population in nine southeastern states; BellSouth Services, which performs staff and planning functions for the two operating companies; and BellSouth Enterprises, which manages the corporation's additional lines of business worldwide, including mobile systems, advertising and publishing, and the sale and maintenance of computers and telecommunication equipment.

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Like Joe Friday on the old TV series "Dragnet," to get informed, you just want the facts.

But Southwestern Bell Telephone (SWBT) employees have a whole slew of computer systems other than just FACS to help them get the facts.

There's LMOS, CMAP, SORD and BOSS. There's also CRIS, COSMOS, TIRKS, TAXI, MIZAR, TAN, ARIS, and POLO. Add in ATLAS, CMOS, TRAM and CARS. Oh, and then there are about 500 additional systems after that.

These systems have brought many benefits to SWBT and its customers. Faster repair. Easier cable location. Efficient billing. Quicker completion of service orders.

To keep the benefits rolling, SWBT has formed a strategic plan for computer integration. The goal is to move to the next echelon of data integration, with all current and future computer systems and software working smoothly together by the year 2000.

But first, a blast to the past. As more and more systems were added in the 1980's, information burgeoned. Some had redundant information. Most could not transfer information. Many were limited to a single task.

All these improvements were good because these systems could solve specific problems, improve productivity and save money. But they were not integrated. And lastly, few systems were easy to use or easy to learn. Employees often had to use several systems, sometimes through different terminals, to do their jobs.

So for a highly mechanized company in a very mechanized industry, systems integration is a big job. Indeed, SWBT's systems integration effort is one of the most ambitious in the country -- not only among telecommunications companies, but other industries as well. It will touch all 57,000 SWBT employees and directly impact the company's $1.5 billion hardware and software investment.

But it will be SWBT's nine million customers who ultimately will benefit.

"To meet customers' requests for new services, instant service activation and customer-controlled network management, for example, we have to integrate our computing systems," explained Charles Foster, formerly SWBT's executive vice president, now group president for Southwestern Bell Corporation (NYSE: SBC). "Our systems must not only offer a corporate view of functions and data to assist customers. They must be easy to use and simple to deploy so we can react faster to service needs."

Southwestern Bell Telephone is a wholly owned subsidiary of Southwestern Bell Corporation and provides network exchange service to nearly nine million customers in Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas and Missouri.

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#90281p2386 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANCHESTER, NH (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - BankEast Corporation (NASDAQ: BENH) said today that the two holders of its $13 million in subordinated debt have filed suit in U.S. Federal District Court in Concord, seeking to secure certain assets of the bank holding company.

On Sept. 19, the two noteholders -- John Alden Life Insurance Company from Miami, Florida, and Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Company from Hartford, Conn. -- sought to accelerate payment of this debt. This action was taken while the holding company was in technical default, although the company noted it had made all interest payments when due and principal payments were not scheduled to begin until November, 1992.

"It's important to underscore once again that this action should have no effect on the conduct of business by the bank or the holding company's other subsidiaries," said W.N. DeWitt, chairman and chief executive officer of the

company. Other subsidiaries include BankEast Mortgage Corp. and BankEast Trust Company. "The subsidiaries are separate legal entities and are not responsible for the holding company's obligations to the noteholders.

"As far as BankEast depositors and other customers are concerned, it will be business as usual.

"Our negotiation committee, who are members of the holding company's board of directors, continues to seek a resolution with these two out-of-state noteholders as the holding company explores all options," said DeWitt.

BankEast Corporation is a New Hampshire-based holding company with $1 billion in assets.

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#90281p2392 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSING, MI (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Despite the fact Americans are paying the highest-ever price for a barrel of oil, Consumers Power Company natural gas customers can anticipate stable home-heating prices and ample supplies this winter.

Consumers Power has uniquely positioned itself in the gas distribution industry with 100 percent of its fuel requirements secured by firm, long-term supply contracts with interstate pipeline suppliers, as well as U.S. and Canadian producers.

"Our customers will receive the full benefit of new long-term contract purchase agreements we have put in place over the last two years," said Michael G. Morris, the utility's executive vice president for natural gas and marketing. "These agreements protect our customers against historically uncertain energy prices which have rapidly increased for other home heating fuels," Morris said.

Consumers Power's gas customers can expect costs similar to last winter -- which is a 22-percent decrease from five years ago. For a normal month this winter, a typical Consumers Power residential gas user will pay $112.81, based on consumption of 25,000 cubic feet.

"Despite energy supply and price uncertainties elsewhere, the 3.4 million Michigan residents we serve with natural gas can look toward the coming winter secure in the knowledge that their heating costs are stable," said Morris.

While Consumers Power gas customers will experience stable prices, home heating oil and propane consumers are experiencing sharp cost increases. The

number of new customers requesting natural gas service from Consumers Power is presently averaging 80 to 90 per day -- double the rate of requests at the same time last year.

"We welcome these new customers and would encourage everyone who is contemplating a conversion to call as soon as possible so that cost- effective gas service can begin before the major portion of the heating season is upon us," Morris said.

"Our strategy of looking down the road two years ago and locking in favorable gas prices and supplies then has paid off," said Morris. "Consumers Power's residential gas rates are among the lowest in the nation and our long-term natural gas purchases are a key factor behind the low rates," he added.

Consumers Power's natural gas storage capacity -- among the largest in the nation -- allows the utility the advantage of purchasing and storing gas during off-season periods, when the cost of gas decreases. The utility and its Michigan Gas Storage subsidiary operate 13 storage fields, across the Lower Peninsula, with a total storage capacity of approximately 125 billion cubic feet.

Consumers Power operates 19,573 miles of gas distribution pipelines, and 1,118 miles of transmission and storage pipelines.

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LANSING, MICH. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company customers can take advantage of a new, free, home energy conservation audit offered by the utility as it prepares for the coming winter heating season.

People interested in scheduling a date for a home audit, called "Great Shape," can call toll free, 1-800-842-6971. The home energy audit is conducted by A&C Enercom, a firm nationally recognized for its expertise in offering energy conservation advice. Residential customers who implement energy-saving steps recommended during their audit may qualify for up to $1,000 in bonuses.

In general, do-it-yourselfers interested in conserving energy can reduce their consumption by the following actions:

-- Adequately insulate ceilings and attic with at least six inches of insulation. Sidewall insulation and insulating floors over unheated crawl spaces also save energy.

-- Add weather stripping and caulking to doors, windows, piping outlets and exhaust vents to block cold air leaks.

-- Install storm windows.
-- Ensure that fireplace dampers and kitchen and bathroom exhausts close tightly when not in use.

-- Make use of solar heat by opening drapes and curtains.
-- Replace furnace filters periodically, typically once a month.
-- Lower the thermostat on the hot water heater during periods of reduced use.

-- Lower the thermostat on the heating system to 55 degrees at night.
-- Close off furnace registers to rooms not being used.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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#90281p2394 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - American Health Properties Inc. (NYSE: AHE) announced today that it has completed the purchase of two psychiatric hospitals from American Medical Holdings Inc. (AMI). These facilities are in addition to AHE's purchase of two Florida psychiatric hospitals from AMI on Aug. 16, 1990.

The 95-bed Westwood Lodge Hospital and the 115-bed Pembroke Hospital are both located in the Boston area. Both facilities were simultaneously leased to Westwood/Pembroke Corporation, the principal shareholder of which is Dr. Gary Jacobson. Jacobson, a former President of the Massachusetts Psychiatric Society, has been associated with the hospitals for 15 years, and was the founder and one of the former owners of both hospitals, having sold them to AMI in 1986.

The hospitals were purchased for an initial price of $11 million. Based upon the occurrence of certain events and financial performance of the hospitals, the total purchase price could be increased to as much as $31 million to be paid over a three year period. The lease term for both properties commenced on October 5, 1990. Income to AHE will include base rental plus percentage rental based upon the revenue growth of each facility.

"Westwood Lodge and Pembroke Hospital are preeminent hospitals in their marketplace with well earned reputations for excellence in patient care," said Robert L.B. Diener, president and chief operating officer of AHE.

American Health Properties Inc. is a real estate investment trust (REIT) specializing in the financing of quality health care facilities. The

company's investments include 21 acute care, rehabilitation and psychiatric properties located in 13 states.

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#90281p2402 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - In a move designed to reinforce its position as the leading computer rental company in the Northeastern United States, Rent-A-PC, Inc. has purchased the rental assets of The Computer Factory (NYSE: CFA) and signed an exclusive private label agreement making Rent-A-PC the sole rental agent for The Computer Factory. Rent-A-PC has formed a new division, The Rental Factory, to manage that operation.

The Rental Factory will provide full-service rentals of IBM(R), Apple(R) and COMPAQ personal computers and peripherals. Rental Factory operations are located in Boston, New York, and Washington -- cities where Rent-A-PC already maintains branch offices. Rent-A-PC has opened a full-service office and warehouse in Philadelphia to accommodate rental business in that city. Rent-A-PC's headquarters are in Hauppauge, Long Island.

In announcing the agreement, Rent-A-PC President Julian Sandler commented, "The formation of The Rental Factory is a significant step in the continuing growth of Rent-A-PC. Under our arrangement with The Computer Factory, we will further strengthen our market presence and we look forward to providing quality support and service to their customer base. The recent expansion of our Boston and New York offices, together with our move into the Philadelphia market, gives us an even stronger presence in the Northeast corridor."

Rent-A-PC is the leading computer rental company in the Northeast. Founded in 1984, Rent-A-PC has been counted among the fastest growing companies in the computer rental field.

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#90281p2404 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

FOND DU LAC, WI (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - MacGregor Sports Inc. announced today the appointment of Michael S. Casazza as President and Chief Operating Officer for MacGregor Sports/Sand Knit effective Nov. 1, 1990.

Casazza has been associated with the sporting goods industry for 18 years, most recently as Vice President/General Manager of the Wilson Sporting Goods

Co., Golf Division where he was responsible for $145 million in annual sales and 1,500 employees. Prior to his tenure with Wilson, Casazza was employed by Dunlap Slazenger Corp. where in his final two years he was President, Racket Sports Division.

MacGregor Sports Chairman, Thomas W. Itin said, "With the hiring of Mr. Casazza, MacGregor Sports is demonstrating its total commitment to the restructuring and turnaround of the MacGregor and Sand Knit brands. We have great confidence in his ability to do the job."

MacGregor Sports is a wholly-owned subsidiary of MGS Acquisitions Inc. which acquired substantially all of the assets and some of the liabilities of MacGregor Sporting Goods Inc. in United States Bankruptcy Court in the State of New Jersey on Aug. 4, 1989. The assets acquired include but are not limited to; rights to use the MacGregor trade name as well as a 25 1/2 percent ownership interest in Riddellink.

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#90281p2408 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Oct. 5, 1990.

All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields
(30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago Conventional
15-Year FRM	9.59	9.73	9.87
30-Year FRM	9.97	10.06	10.05
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	10.22	10.31	10.30

10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.

Second Mortgages	9.700	9.850	9.970

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term) Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	8.85	9.00	9.60	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	9.10	9.25	9.85	2.000 pct.
1(A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	7.80	7.95	8.65	2.250 pct. 6 mos(A)
(COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	7.90	8.05	8.75	2.125 pct.

(A) Rate reduction (B) 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM.
Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs. LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month

Sept. 27, 1990	8.297	8.375	8.422	8.500
Aug. 30, 1990	8.125	8.188	8.188	8.313

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 10/05/90	Year to Date	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(A)	485.6	17,797.2	16,268.0
Purchases	296.6(B)	17,699.7	15,242.6
MBS Issued	1,252.0	73,701.4	45,328.8

(A) Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

(B) Does not include 10/05/90 purchases (data not available).

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Chambers Development Company Inc. (AMEX: CDVB) reported today that its Southern Alleghenies Landfill in Somerset County Pa., is fully operational on a new double synthetic-lined, 4-1/2-acre cell.

Following last Friday's certification by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources (DER) officials, Chambers began accepting refuse in the new area today. The landfill is permitted to receive an average of 2,220 tons per day of solid waste.

This first cell is comprised of two synthetic layers 60 mil in thickness, with double-geonet detection zone for groundwater, and an 18-inch protective cover on top of primary snythetic liner.

Earlier this year, Chambers received a permit from the DER for 34 acres of landfilling space at its Southern Alleghenies landfill.

"We are very pleased that the new area was certified and we will continue to work closely with the DER on all issues regarding our landfills. We support and are committed to the strict enforcement of environmental laws and regulations in the commonwealth," said Alexander Rangos, Chambers executive vice president.

In addition, work is proceeding smoothly on preparation and construction at Chambers' landfills in Cambria, Dauphin and Washington counties.

Chambers Development Company, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is a leading environmental firm offering services in collection, hauling, disposal, recycling and landfill development.

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#90281p2414 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Mark R. Mulvoy has been named publisher of Sports Illustrated, it was announced today by Robert L. Miller, executive vice president and group publisher of The Time Inc. Magazine Company.

Mulvoy has been managing editor of Sports Illustrated for the past six years.

In making the announcement, Miller said, "Mark is uniquely qualified to fill the publisher's chair. His entire background, coupled with his instinctive business sense and passion for sports, should help Sports Illustrated and Time Warner develop even bigger opportunities in the '90s."

Jason McManus, editor-in-chief of Time Warner Inc., said, "Mark's editorial tenure at Sport Illustrated was distinguished by the magazine's first total redesign in two decades, the recruiting of the best sports writing talent in the country, and, above all, his readiness to make Sports Illustrated the conscience of sport, with uncompromising investigative journalism on everything from drug abuse to academic scandals to the environment to gambling."

Sport Illustrated has won back-to-back National Magazine Awards for General Excellence in 1989 and 1990.

Going from the edit to the publishing side is not without precedent at Sports Illustrated. In fact, Sidney L. James, the founding managing editor of Sports Illustrated in 1954 became the magazine's publisher in 1960. Also, Andrew Heiskell, who was chairman and chief executive officer of Time Inc., and James D. Shepley, who served as the company's president, both started their Time Inc. careers as journalists -- Heiskell as a science and medicine editor at Life, and Shepley as a reporter with Time's Washington bureau.

Mulvoy, 49, began his career as a reporter for Sports Illustrated in 1965. He wrote on baseball, pro football, golf and hockey until 1976, when he became a senior editor of the magazine. In 1981, he was promoted to assistant managing editor and was named Sports Illustrated's fifth managing editor in November 1984.

He is the author of twelve books on a variety of sports subjects, including golf, hockey, basketball, curling and pro football.

Mulvoy was born in Boston. He received a B.A. degree from Boston College in 1964.

Mulvoy lives in Rye, N.Y., with his wife Patricia and their four children.

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#90281p2415 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

THOROFARE, NJ (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Checkpoint Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: CHEK), today reported net revenues of $15,528,000 in its third quarter ended Sept. 30 1990, up 24 percent compared to net revenues of $12,536,000 in its 1989 third quarter. Net earnings for the quarter were $2,600,000 or 27 cents per share, up 77 percent over last year's third quarter of $1,466,000 or 16 cents per share.

For the first 39 weeks of 1990, net revenues of $41,108,000 increased 23 percent over the comparable 1989 net revenues of $33,448,000. Net earnings for the same period were $4,476,000 or 47 cents per share, and represents a 123 percent improvement over the 1989 comparable period net earnings of $2,006,000 of 22 cents per share.

Gerald W. Klein, president and chief operating officer, reported that "the record third quarter revenues were a result of increased sales to major retailers around the world. As evidenced by our steady sales growth, our customers are realizing the ease and benefit of integrating our Electronic Article Merchandising(SM) (EAM) products into their normal retail operating procedures. The integration of our products allows for aggressive open merchandising schemes and enhances the benefits of self-service merchandising."

Klein further stated, "The 2.6 percent decrease in the third quarter gross profit margin was primarily the result of product and market mix. Domestically we sold a higher mix of lower gross profit items. Our international shipments earn lower gross margins than our domestic shipments and, therefore, represented a higher percentage of sales. Reducing our selling, general and administrative expenses below 40 percent of net revenues vs. 42 percent in last year's third quarter helped offset the reduction in gross profit."

He also stated, "that during the third quarter, the company favorably resolved a long outstanding tax matter, (that had been provided for), related to certain tax elections from its operations in Puerto Rico. As a result, the company has changed its effective tax rate for the year to 2.3 percent vs. the prior 19 percent.

Our new $11 million Electronic Signatures(R) manufacturing facility is near completion and will be fully occupied by the end of the year. We are working with major retailers and manufacturers on our Impulse(TM) concept. They have embraced this strategy of inserting Checkpoint targets into products or packaging at the point of manufacture or distribution. Our year continues to progress as planned and we are very excited about the prospects for the remainder of 1990."

Checkpoint Systems. Inc. is the leading developer and manufacturer of advanced microprocessor and radio frequency-based EAM systems. Using detectable, paper-thin, disposable circuits, Checkpoint's Electronic Signatures systems provide a fully integrated approach to identify items or people in retail, institutional, industrial and commercial applications.

CHECKPOINT SYSTEMS, INC.
Third Quarter Earnings

	Quarter (13 weeks)		Nine months (39 weeks)	
Period ended	9/30/90	9/24/89	9/30/90	9/24/89
Net revenues	$ 15,528	$ 12,536	$ 41,108	$ 33,448
Cost of revenues	7,167	5,456	18,987	15,074
Gross profit	8,361	7,080	22,121	18,374
Selling, general, and admin. expenses	6,145	5,285	17,763	16,098
Interest income	83	129	320	463
Interest expense	34	53	97	176
Income taxes (benefit)	(335)	405	105	557
Net earnings	2,600	1,466	4,476	2,006
Net earnings per share	.27	.16	.47	.22
Wtd. avg. no. of common and common equivalent shares	9,575	9,297	9,602	9,226

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#90281p2416 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - John L. Papanek has been named managing editor of Sports Illustrated, it was announced today by Jason McManus, editor-in-chief of Time Warner Inc.

Papanek was most recently managing editor of Sports Illustrated for Kids. He becomes Sports Illustrated's sixth managing editor.

Calling Papanek "a natural choice for his new assignment," McManus said, "John's promotion from the editorship of Sports Illustrated for Kids is perhaps a paradigm for our aim of graduating that magazine's readers to the parent Sports Illustrated as they mature. Except that Papanek grew up at Sports Illustrated as few have; indeed he never worked anywhere else until be became the founding editor of Sports Illustrated for Kids in January 1989."

Born and raised in Patchogue, Long Island, Papanek started to work as a Sports

Illustrated reported right out of the University of Michigan in 1973. In 1977 he became a staff writer, distinguishing himself by his dogged profiles of some of professional basketball's most reticent superstars.

Promoted to senior editor in 1983, Papanek over the next five years variously directed Sports Illustrated's coverage of pro and college basketball as well as baseball.

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#90281p2418 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Travelers Corp. (NYSE: TIC) posted a record $1 billion in new, large case managed care sales for the period Jan. 1 through Sept. 30, 1990 adding to its client list major U.S. corporations as American Telephone & Telegraph (AT&T), Alcoa, Beatrice Hunt Wesson, Keebler and Wells Fargo.

"We're more than 180 percent above projections in our large case market, and we're likely to break the 200 mark as we finalize several pending proposals," said Joseph T. Brophy, president, Travelers' Managed Care and Employee Benefits Operations (MCEBO).

The company attributes its success to a cohesive managed care strategy based on a continuum of care model with intensive medical management, flexible products, superior technology and decentralized account management. "It's all in place now. We've completed a systems upgrade and nationwide provider recontracting program to support our new multiple option product," Brophy said.

The Travelers' multiple option product, CareOptions, gives employers flexibility by allowing them to offer their employees a choice of medical benefit options from one carrier. Options include traditional and managed indemnity, HMO and a wide range of point-of-service plans.

With the multiple option product, Travelers can support an employer using one provider network and one integrated system regardless of which option an employee selects.

"Technology always has been a focus at The Travelers, and the investment of time and dollars has paid off," said Brophy. "I know of no other carrier with integrated medical management and claims support across product lines -- across the nation. And customers have immediate access to benefit plan information through The Travelers' LINK customer workstation. We've planned well and employers, brokers and consultants are taking notice."

Through the continuum of care approach, The Travelers' managed care system helps employers manage health care costs through employee educational and

wellness programs; various mental health and substance abuse programs; pharmacy management; utilitzation-review systems; aggressive medical management services and outcomes measurement.

Travelers manages, tracks and interprets health care utlitization prospectively, concurrently and retrospectively then provides its customers with reports detailing how and where benefit dollars are being used and managed care savings achieved. Travelers recently announced its capability in integrating disability and workers compensation coverages with group medical to complete its continuum of care model.

"We offer innovative programs to help employers control their costs while guaranteeing that their employees have access to quality health care. Quality care is appropriate, cost-effective care," said Brophy.

The Travelers' managed care networks are available in 130 metropolitan areas across the U.S. with regional full-service home offices in Atlanta, Dallas, Chicago, Hartford, Conn. and Walnut Creek, Calif. Based in Hartford, Travelers provides group medical and managed care services to more than 13 million Americans. The Travelers is one of the world's largest multi-line insurance, financial services, managed care and investment corporations.

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ST. PETERSBURG, FL (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Talquin Corporation, the development subsidiary of Florida Progress Corporation (NYSE: FPC), announced today that it plans to sell the companies comprising its building products division.

This divestiture decision is part of the strategic planning effort by Florida Progress to review the long-term direction of the company. As a part of this planning, Talquin announced in July that it had retained Chemical Bank's investment banking unit to assist in evaluating options for the building products operations.

"While most of our major building products companies have operated profitably, we have concluded that this line of business does not fit with the long-term direction of Florida Progress," said Development Group Vice President Joseph H. Richardson. "We plan to market and sell our building products companies in an orderly fashion to achieve a fair price for each company."

Talquin expects some gains and losses from the sale of its individual companies. For the total divestiture, the company is establishing a reserve primarily for the disposition costs and potential losses associated with its window manufacturing unit. Talquin will reduce its third quarter earnings by

$14.2 million.

Through its building products companies, Talquin manufactures and distributes aluminum windows; manufactures, leases and restores bulk-hauling trailers; distributes air conditioning equipment; wholesales plumbing, irrigation and swimming pool supplies; and wholesales aluminum products, screen enclosures, siding, patio and industrial products.

In addition to its building products companies, Talquin is involved in real estate development and marine operations.

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MCLEAN, VA (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) today announced it has been awarded the Department of Defense Intelligence Information System (DODIIS) Automated Message Handling System (AMHS) integration contract by the U.S. Air Force, Air Force Systems Command, Electronic Systems Division.

The contract, worth approximately $40 million over five years, will be completed by McDonnell Douglas Electronic Systems Co. here.

DODIIS AMHS is a computer system used to help manage the information contained in the large volume of textual messages required in the day-to-day operations of the Department of Defense intelligence community. AMHS automatically sorts and extracts information about a defined subject and provides only the relevant information to the user, a process called profiling. AMHS also enables an analyst to quickly search through months or years of archived messages for information on any given subject. The third function of the AMHS is to provide the capability to create and send new messages. DODIIS AMHS will standardize message handling within the DOD intelligence community.

As the DODIIS AMHS integration contractor, McDonnell Douglas will produce, integrate, implement, test, evaluate, operate and maintain the AMHS system hardware and software.

The contract provides for fielding the AMHS capabilities to DODIIS operational sites worldwide.

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DELAVAN, WI (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Ajay Sports Inc. ("Ajay") (NASDAQ: AJAY) said today that MacGregor Sports Inc. made the following announcement this morning:

"FOND DU LAC, Wisc. -- MacGregor Sports Inc. announced today the appointment of Michael S. Casazza as President and Chief Operating Officer for MacGregor Sports/Sand Knit effective Nov. 1, 1990.

Casazza has been associated with the sporting goods industry for 18 years, most recently as Vice President/General Manager of the Wilson Sporting Goods Co., Golf Division where he was responsible for $145 million in annual sales and 1,500 employees. Prior to his tenure with Wilson, Casazza was employed by Dunlap Slazenger Corp. where in his final two years he was President, Racket Sports Division.

MacGregor Sports Chairman, Thomas W. Itin said, "With the hiring of Mr. Casazza, MacGregor Sports is demonstrating its total commitment to the restructuring and turnaround of the MacGregor and Sand Knit brands. We have great confidence in his ability to do the job."

MacGregor Sports is a wholly-owned subsidiary of MGS Acquisitions Inc. which acquired substantially all of the assets and some of the liabilities of MacGregor Sporting Goods Inc. in United States Bankruptcy Court in the State of New Jersey on Aug. 4, 1989. The assets acquired include but are not limited to; rights to use the MacGregor trade name as well as a 25 1/2 percent ownership interest in Riddellink."

Ajay Sports has a Letter of Intent to acquire under certain terms and conditions a minimum of 60 percent of the MGS Acquisitions common stock presently issued and outstanding.

Ajay Sports through its 100 percent wholly-owned subsidiary, Ajay Leisure Products Inc. is one of the largest distributors of golf accessories as well as the nation's largest manufacturer of golf bags and hand-pulled golf carts.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - A 54-percent increase in September sales of the Lincoln Continental, along with healthy performances by the Ford Explorer, Ford Escort, Lincoln Mark VII and Ford Mustang, helped Ford and Lincoln-Mercury dealers in the Pittsburgh area end the 1990 model year with a strong showing despite a somewhat weakened economy.

Sales of all three Lincoln luxury models were up over year-ago levels. In addition to the strong showing by Continental, the Mark VII was up 14 percent

and the Lincoln Town Car was up seven percent in the entire Cincinnati Lincoln-Mercury Sales District, which includes Pittsburgh.

Lincoln's higher sales in the Pittsburgh area reflected national results for the 1990 model year, whereby Lincoln-Mercury dealers set all-time sales records for Lincoln Continental, Lincoln Town Car and total Lincoln sales, despite increasing competition in the luxury segment.

In the Cincinnati Lincoln-Mercury Sales District, total retail sales were down 14 percent for September and 19 percent for the model year, both compared to year-ago levels.

In Ford Division's Pittsburgh Sales District, sales in the compact sport utility segment were up 30 percent for September compared to September 1989. The all-new Explorer replaced the Bronco II as Ford's entry in that segment earlier this year. Ford's compact sport utility vehicle sales for the entire year rose 26 percent, compared to the prior model year.

On the passenger car side, Mustang achieved a 12-percent increase in September compared to a year ago. Escort enjoyed its best sales month since October 1989, due to increased availabiity of the all-new Escort, which debuted April 26. The Ford Tempo ended the 1990 model year with a strong performance, scoring its highest monthly sales since September 1989.

Nationally, Ford dealers achieved sales leadership in trucks for the fifth consecutive model year, and in total vehicles for the fourth consecutive model year. And, for the ninth year in a row, the Ford F-Series pickup was America's best-selling vehicle -- car or truck.

Total Ford Division sales in the Pittsburgh District were down 13.6 percent for September and 9.9 percent for the model year.

Bill Glick, sales manager for Ford Division's Pittsburgh District, said, "Sales in the last two months of the 1990 model year were stronger than might have been expected under the circumstances. Escort is gaining sales momentum despite continuing softness in the compact car segment. We're confident that Ford's market share will improve over the balance of the year."

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DAYTON, OH (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - A special file, focusing on the oil crisis, becomes part of the NEXIS(R) service today. The CRISIS file, part of the energy library, is updated daily and will remain in effect for the duration of the oil crunch.

Documents published since June that are relevant to the oil crisis are culled from 11 publications, including The Washington Post, Financial World, The Times of London and Chemical Week. A search in CRISIS costs $21.

The file is similar to the highly popular Iraq War file, added to the NEXIS service last month.

"This file is part of our continuing effort to get the most relevant information to our customers in the easiest way possible," said Keith Hawk, director of marketing programs and support, Business Information Services, for Mead Data Central, Inc. "The file is significant in that it will get 'smarter;' terms will be added to the document selection process as they start to appear in the news."

NEXIS is an electronic information service offering full-text articles from 750 of the world's leading news and business sources. Mead Data Central, Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Mead Corporation (NYSE: MEA), a leader in forest products. Both companies have headquarters in Dayton, Ohio.

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#90281p2432 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

EASTON, CONN. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control (DPUC) has approved Bridgeport Hydraulic Company's application to activate a water bill surcharge associated with filtration facilities being installed to improve water quality.

The filtration surcharge is an across-the-board increase that will affect all classes of BHC's more than 100,000 customers in Fairfield, Litchfield and New Haven counties.

The surcharge, known as "CWIP" -- which stands for "Construction Work In Progress" -- will be applied to bills for water service provided on or after Sept. 18. An addition to existing water rates, it initially will supplement BHC's revenues on an annual basis by approximately $440,000 and result in a quarterly surcharge to bills of 0.94 percent.

The surcharge will be increased quarterly to reflect BHC's increasing investment in new water treatment facilities mandated under federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) regulations adopted by the Connecticut Department of Health Services (DOHS). The first of these facilities is a 20-million-gallon-per-day water filtration plant project that has been under construction since June at a site overlooking the dam than impounds BHC's 5.85-billion-gallon Easton Lake Reservoir in Easton.

The DOHS in April 1990 certified that the Easton Lake Project is necessary to

comply with SDWA regulations, notably the Surface Water Treatment Rule, which requires the installation of filtration facilities at virtually all unfiltered surface water supplies nationwide.

CWIP is the means by which the DPUC permits Connecticut water utilities to recover the carrying cost on 90 percent of a utility's investment in mandated SDWA improvements. Over the next decade BHC must finance approximately $190 million of water system improvements, roughly half of which are required by new SDWA rules.

Total cost of the Easton Lake Project, in which BHC already has invested some $2.5 million, will approximate $34 million, making it the largest such undertaking in BHC's 133-year history.

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#90281p2433 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - American Greetings Corporation (NASDAQ: AGREA) has signed an exclusive licensing agreement with the National Wildlife Federation to use the National Wildlife Federation's name and characters on greeting card products for retail. The agreement is just one part of an overall corporate commitment by American Greetings Corporation to become more environmentally responsive.

As a result, American Greetings will introduce National Wildlife cards. Beginning with Father's Day 1991, American Greetings will offer a selection of National Wildlife cards printed on recycled paper. Each card will include educational "Critter Copy" describing the wildlife or habitat illustrated on the card. Sale of these and other National Wildlife cards will support the National Wildlife Federation's wildlife and conservation education efforts.

"Wildlife and nature scenes always have been favorites for greeting cards," says Mary Ann Corrigan-Davis, vice president of product management for American Greetings. "In the past several years, as we investigated ways to become more environmentally responsive, the tie-in with the National Wildlife Federation was a 'natural.'

"Both the National Wildlife Federation and American Greetings are leaders in our fields, and we share the same goals. With this agreement, we can help support the federation's educational efforts while providing products that reflect the Federation's desires to be environmentally friendly."

For summer of 1991, American Greetings will introduce a special assortment of everyday cards printed on recycled paper. These National Wildlife cards, totaling 90 designs, depict the beauty and majesty of the world of nature.

One card, which opens to show a beautiful desert panorama, begins with a quote from Emerson, "A friend may well be reckoned the masterpiece of Nature." Inside the card continues, "Having a friend like you is one of life's nicest gifts."

The card features the saquaro cactus and "Critter Copy" on the back describes the growth of this cactus, which reaches 50 feet tall when mature.

"Our Father's Day and summer card programs are just the beginning for American Greetings involvement with environmental conservation," says Corrigan-Davis. "We plan to place National Wildlife products in our birthday and everyday card lines, as well as in our major seasonal card programs, including Christmas 1991 and Valentine's Day 1992.

"This, in addition to corporate efforts to reduce scrap and recycle within American Greetings on a day-to-day basis, represents our continued corporate commitment to helping conserve our environment for future generations."

"The National Wildlife Federation is pleased to have entered into an agreement with American Greetings for the manufacture and retail marketing of National Wildlife greeting cards," says Alan Lamson, vice president, promotional activities for the National Wildlife Federation. "The incorporation of recycled paper and wildlife educational themes and messages will combine to help make the U.S. public more aware of our environmental needs and help create more responsible action to improve our natural resources and environment. We look forward to American Greetings assistance in bringing these messages to mainstream America through their outstanding retail distribution network."

Headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio, American Greetings Corporation is the world's largest publicly owned manufacturer and distributor of greeting cards and related social expression products, with annual revenues in excess of $1.3 billion. American Greetings products can be found in leading retail outlets worldwide.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Duke Power Co.'s $75 million auction market preferred stock is rated 'AA' by Fitch. It is part of a 1 million share preferred stock $100 par value shelf registration. Credit quality is expected to decline modestly for the next few years, but longer term prospects support the current ratings.

Some deterioration in the utility's financial position has occurred. For the

twelve months ended June 30, 1990, pretax interest coverage was 4.18 times, down from 4.42 times at year-end 1989. Earnings pressure will continue until Bad Creek is completed and its cost reflected in rate relief. Current ratings recognize that financial parameters will improve once the unit is operational and rate relief is granted. In the meantime, management is committed to controlling operating costs and maintaining the company's financial indicators. Duke's capitalization is superior to the average U.S. investor-owned utility, at 43 percent total debt, 8.8 percent preferred stock, and 48.2 percent common stock as of second-quarter 1990. Internal cash flow was a healthy 80 percent of construction expenditures at that time, and is expected to drop only slightly.

This year marks the first time since 1987 that Duke publicly raised new capital. For 1990, $350 million in long-term debt was sold. In addition to this $75 million preferred, another $100 million or more in new debt is expected in 1990 or early 1991. No major common stock issue is planned over the next several years.

To enhance the system's flexibility in generating capacity, the company is adding pumped storage units at Bad Creek, estimated at $1.06 billion. The company also has options on 16 General Electric combustion turbines. No further new baseload capacity is expected until the next century, but capital expenditures should remain significant. Bad Creek Units 1 and 2 are expected to be in service 1992 or earlier, and Units 3 and 4 in 1993.

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#90281p2445 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - FNW Bancorp (NASDAQ: FNWB) today reported that record asset growth and stable interest rates during the third quarter resulted in a 12.9 percent gain in net interest income for the quarter compared with the same period a year ago.

"Given our year-to-date results, we estimate that earnings in 1990 will be 12 percent higher than the record results we recorded in 1989," commented Harold R. Pehlke, president and chief executive officer of the eight-bank holding company.

Third quarter figures

Net income of $3.791 million on net interest income of $12.483 million for the quarter represented a 9 percent increase over the $3.479 million in net income recorded in the third quarter, 1989. Net interest income during the same period, 1989, amounted to $11.058 million. For the quarter just ended, net income amounted to 28 cents per share compared against 25 cents per share in 1989. Book value climbed 14 percent to $6.73 per share during the third quarter, up from $5.87 in the same period 1989.

For the comparable quarters in each of the two years: Total assets increased 9.4 percent to $1.35 billion in 1990 from $1.23 billion in 1989. Total deposits rose 9.0 percent to $1.195 billion from $1.097 billion, 1990 over 1989. total loans grew 11.3 percent to $812.7 million in 1990, up from $730.2 million in 1989.

Nine-month figures

For the nine-month period just ended, net interest income measured $36.684 million; net income amounted to $11.435 million, or 83 cents per share. These figures represent increases of 11.2 percent and 13.6 percent respectively over the comparable period in 1989.

Year-to-date, the company has produced an annualized return on average assets of 1.18 percent and a return on shareholders' quality of 17.46 percent. These annualized figures compare to an ROA of 1.16 percent and ROE of 17.69 percent during fiscal 1989.

Portfolio quality

Non-performing assets rose slightly during the quarter. The increase in non-performing assets, however, is not expected to have any material effect on anticipated earnings for the year. Management remains comfortable with earnings projections of $1.12-$1.13 per share. These earnings projections are adjusted to reflect the two-for-one stock split declared July 18 and paid Sept. 15.

Looking forward to fourth quarter and 1991

"As we enter the year's fourth quarter and look ahead into 1991, we see a weakening economy," Pehlke commented. "From an analytical viewpoint, we are already seeing a flattened yield curve which has put some pressure on our net interest margin. In fact, as we assess the factors we feel will have the greatest impact on future revenues, we see more cause for concern in narrower margins and increases in non-controllable costs -- i.e., the anticipated increases in FDIC insurance and increases in postage -- than any potential problems in asset quality.

"To offset rising costs and narrower margins, we have been challenged to find new, higher margin niche markets without adding to portfolio risk. Our strategy to accomplish this is four-fold: The first is to expand our equipment leasing activities. The second is to place greater emphasis on new and existing consumer services. The third is to expand our retail branch network. The fourth -- which we continually strive to improve -- is operating efficiency.

"Our recently reorganized equipment leasing subsidiary has attracted substantial new business and we have received approval for two branch facilities in high-growth consumer markets," Pehlke continued. "The new offices will be located in East Elgin and in Lake Zurich; we expect them to be

fully operational in 1991. Operationally, we have also witnessed year-to-year improvement in efficiency. As a percent of average assets, total operating expenses in 1990 have been reduced to 2.73 percent compared to 2.81 percent for the first 9 months of 1989.

Capital strength

During this period of strong profits, the company again strengthened its primary capital ratio. FNW's primary capital stood at 7.99 percent of total assets, a 29 basis point increase over the 7.70 percent figure of a year ago.

FNW Bancorp is a $1.3 billion multi-bank holding and equipment leasing company operating in selected markets in northeastern Illinois with 15 locations in the high growth areas of Cook, Kane, Lake and DuPage counties.

FNW BANCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

(Dollars in thousands except for per share)

Periods ended:	Nine months			Three months		
Sept. 30	1990	1989	Percent Change	1990	1989	Percent Change
Net income	$11,435	$10,069	14	$3,791	$3,479	9
Net income per share	$0.83	$0.73	14	$0.28	$0.25	12
Dividends per share	$0.19	$0.13	46	$0.07	$0.05	40
Net interest income	36,684	32,976	11	12,483	11,058	13
Return on assets	1.18 pct.	1.16 pct.		1.14 pct.	1.16 pct.	
Return on equity	17.46 pct.	17.69 pct.		16.79 pct.	17.65 pct.	
Total assets	$1,349,572	$1,233,968	9			
Total loans	812,665	730,210	11			
Total deposits	1,195,304	1,096,865	9			
Total stkhldrs' equity	92,735	80,912	15			
Equity to assets	6.87 pct.	6.56 pct.				
Primary capital to assets	7.99 pct.	7.70 pct.				
Book value per share	$6.73	$5.87				

Balance sheets

(Consolidated, dollars in thousands except for per share)

ASSETS	9/30/90	12/31/89	9/30/89
Cash and due from banks	$77,769	$52,284	$76,275
Interest bearing time deposits with banks	300	300	400
Federal funds sold	33,830	23,500	42,051

Investment securities:			
U.S. Treasury	51,766	53,412	60,864
U.S. Government agencies	189,953	161,972	139,607
State and political subdivisions	119,340	116,424	116,580
Other	26,769	31,839	34,694
Total investment securities	387,828	363,647	351,745
Loans, net of unearned income	812,665	751,758	730,210
Less allowance for possible loan losses	(10,059)	(9,194)	(9,109)
Net loans	802,606	742,564	721,101
Bank premises and equipment, net	16,342	15,458	15,026
Other real estate	892	853	424
Other assets	19,201	16,841	15,593
Intangible assets	10,804	11,216	11,353
Total assets	$1,349,572	$1,226,663	$1,233,968
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Deposits:			
Demand	$168,344	$160,272	$173,768
Negotiable orders of withdrawal	114,062	100,092	106,114
Money market accounts	147,644	142,702	137,560
Savings	160,309	152,064	152,949
Certificates of deposit of $100,000 or more	106,847	85,586	95,626
Certificates of deposit of under $100,000	498,098	449,196	430,848
Total deposits	1,195,304	1,088,912	1,096,865
Borrowed funds	45,435	38,258	42,997
Other liabilities	16,098	15,576	13,194
Total liabilities	1,256,837	1,142,746	1,153,056
Stockholders' equity:			
Preferred Stock-without par value; 3,000,000 shares authorized; none issued or outstanding			
Common Stock-without par value; 25,000,000 shares authorized; (12,000,000 shares authorized in 1989) 13,928,060 shares issued	20,193	20,193	20,193
Retained earnings	73,542	64,724	61,719
Less: 152,198 treasury shares at cost	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)
Total stockholders' equity	92,735	83,917	80,912
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$1,348,572	$1,226,663	$1,233,968

(Consolidated, $ in thousands except for per share)

Periods ended:	Quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest income:				

Loans, including fees	$22,521	$20,251	$65,362	$58,246
Time deposits with banks	7	11	20	46
Federal funds sold	783	939	1,820	1,912
Investment securities:				
U.S. Treasury	1,165	1,399	3,753	4,495
U.S. Government agencies	4,288	3,168	12,256	8,291
State and political Subdivisions	2,172	2,158	6,498	6,485
Other	616	836	2,028	3,432
Total interest income	31,552	28,762	91,737	82,907
Interest expense				
Deposits	18,195	16,818	52,761	46,791
Borrowed funds	874	886	2,292	3,140
Total interest expense	19,069	17,704	55,053	49,931
Net interest income	12,483	11,058	36,684	32,976
Prov. for possible loan losses	861	425	1,872	2,248
Net interest income after provision for possible loan losses	11,622	10,633	34,812	30,728
Other income				
Trust department income	264	266	794	796
Service charges on deposits	1,121	1,006	3,220	2,931
Credit card commissions and fees	150	182	479	527
Other operating income	495	490	1,639	1,923
Net security gains (losses)	(3)	(4)	343	367
Total other income 2,027	1,940	6,475	6,544	
Other expense:				
Salaries and employee benefits	4,358	3,948	13,100	11,616
Occupancy expense of bank premises	761	737	2,272	2,127
Furniture and equipment expense	689	639	2,016	1,895
Data processing	385	426	1,141	1,363
Printing stationery and supplies	220	260	793	828
Other	2,270	2,100	7,161	6,639
Total other expense	8,683	8,110	26,483	24,468
Income before income taxes	4,966	4,463	14,804	12,804
Provision for income taxes	1,175	984	3,369	2,735
Net income	$3,791	$3,479	$11,435	$10,069
Per share data:				
Net income	$0.28	$0.25	$0.83	$0.73
Dividends per share	$0.07	$0.05	$0.19	$0.13
Weighted averages shares outstanding	13,775,862	13,775,862	13,755,862	13,775,862

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ATLANTA (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Fitzgerald & Co. today announced that the agency signed an agreement to become agency of record for Charter Medical Corp.'s $15 million to $20 million advertising and marketing account.

The move consolidates Charter's marketing and advertising business, which the corporation's facilities previously handled on an individual basis, using a multitude of advertising agencies. It also brings Charter's psychiatric and medical/surgical hospitals under the same marketing umbrella.

"Given the evolving nature of the healthcare market, we see Charter as a terrific marketing challenge," said Dave Fitzgerald, president of Fitzgerald & Co. "They needed an agency who will work as their marketing partners to help Charter build a clear and positive image nationwide.

"Charter is an outstanding company, with management who understand the need for strong strategic marketing planning and a cohesive, consistent message. We're obviously very excited about the opportunity to help them reach their goals."

"The healthcare marketplace is changing dramatically," said Mark A. Kaiser, vice president, Sales & Marketing for Charter Medical Corp. "The rules about who's making healthcare decisions are moving from the patient to the payor. These larger forces are playing an important role in how Charter markets our services.

"We chose Fitzgerald & Company because -- given the changes taking place in our marketplace and at Charter -- we need an agency with a strong marketing foundation that's well integrated with outstanding creative.

"Fitzgerald & Company has the added plus of healthcare experience in the medical/surgical hospital and medical products arenas and they showed a sensitivity to issues that are important to us as we centralize our marketing and advertising efforts and address the changing marketplace," he continued.

Fitzgerald & Co. is located at 11 Piedmont Center, Suite 910, Atlanta, GA 30305.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Xerox Corporation (NYSE: XRX)

board of directors today declared dividends on the company's common stock and three issues of its preferred stock.

The dividends, which remain unchanged from previous quarterly payments, are payable on Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 7.

Payments will be 75 cents a share on the common stock, 92.1875 cents a share on the $3.6875 10-year sinking fund preferred and $1.03125 a share on the $4.125 20-year sinking fund preferred. Payment on the series B convertible preferred, which was issued in July 1989 in connection with the formation of a Xerox employee stock ownership plan (ESOP), will be $1.5625 a share.

The common stock dividend is the 172nd consecutive quarterly disbursement declared by Xerox.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - A 67-percent increase in sales of the all-new Ford Explorer, along with large gains for the all-new Ford Escort and Lincoln car lines in September, helped Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) dealers finish the 1990 model year in Indianapolis with a solid performance despite a somewhat weakened economy.

Escort, up 17 percent in September, was Ford Division's best-selling car in the district with nearly 4,100 sales in the model year, said Don Laye, Ford Division's Indianapolis District sales manager.

Strong sales of the Explorer, introduced in March, mirrored a national trend whereby Ford Division's dealers captured sales leadership in trucks for the fifth consecutive model year, and in total vehicles for the fourth consecutive model year.

At Lincoln-Mercury Division, Lincoln car line sales posted a 30-percent increase in September, compared to year-ago levels, paced by a 54-percent increase in Lincoln Continental sales.

"Nationally, Lincoln-Mercury dealers established all-time sales records for total Lincolns (223,596), Lincoln Continental (60,971) and Lincoln Town Car (141,157) despite growing competition in the luxury segment," according to Donald Kaegi, Cincinnati District sales manager. The district encompasses Indianapolis.

"Sales in the last two months of the 1990 model year were stronger than might have been expected under the circumstances," Laye and Kaegi pointed out. "With increased availability of the all-new Escort and Mercury Tracer, which

were not widely available earlier in the year, we anticipate an improvement in Ford's market share during the remainder of the calendar year."

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SEATTLE (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The organization that provides health care to one of every 11 Washington residents, has chosen a new president and chief executive officer.

Group Health Cooperative of Puget Sound today named Phil Nudelman, Ph.D. to its highest administrative position. He will succeed Aubrey Davis, who will remain with Group Health as president emeritus. Nudelman will assume office in early 1991.

Non-profit Group Health is the nation's largest consumer-governed health care organization, serving more than 457,000 people across Washington state and northern Idaho. Group Health is the state's ninth-largest employer, with nearly 9,000 full- and part-time staff.

Nudelman, 54, is currently executive vice president and chief operating officer for Group Health, responsible for all delivery of care. He is a 17-year veteran of Group Health, having served as director of professional services and regional administrator.

Group Health conducted a 10-month national search for its new chief executive officer. "We're convinced that the best person for the job is already here," said Dorothy Mann, chair of the Cooperative. "Phil understands the special qualities that make Group Health, as a consumer-governed cooperative, different from all the other health plans with which we compete."

Nudelman, a Bellevue resident, is a former chair of the Washington State Board of Pharmacy, the Seattle Area Hospital Council and the Foundation for Health Care Quality. A faculty member of the University of Washington School of Pharmacy and at Washington State University, he is a member of the House of Delegates for the American Hospital Association.

Nudelman founded the Heads Up Center and Youth Eastside Services Inc. in Bellevue. He chaired the Seattle-King County Drug Commission and is a past vice president of the Temple de Hirsch Sinai. He is currently chair of the Center for Wildlife Conservation, vice president of the Woodland Park Zoo Board of Directors and was a member of the Governor's Task Force on Aids.

Founded in 1947, Group Health Cooperative has 29 primary care medical centers, two hospitals, an inpatient center, five specialty centers and affiliations with 31 other medical institutions throughout the Northwest.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Seligman Select Municipal Fund (NYSE: SEL), a closed-end, tax-exempt bond fund, today declared a common stock dividend of 7 cents per share payable on Oct. 29 to shareholders of record Oct. 18.

J. & W. Seligman & Co. Incorporated, founded in 1864, is an investment manager and advisor with over $8 billion in assets under management. The firm serves pension plans, institutions and individuals. J. & W. Seligman manages the Seligman Family of Mutual Funds, with 30 portfolios, and Tri-Continental Corporation, the nation's largest diversified equity closed-end investment company, and Seligman Select Municipal Fund.

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#90281p2471 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Leucadia National Corporation (NYSE, PSE: LUK) today announced that its board of directors, acting through the executive committee of the board, has increased the number of its common shares that the company is authorized to purchase. As a result, the company currently is authorized to purchase up to 500,000 common shares from time to time in open market purchases or private transactions.

Leucadia National Corporation is a holding company for its consolidated subsidiaries engaged in life insurance (through Charter National Life Insurance Company of St. Louis), manufacturing (principally through its Conwed General Marble and Electri-cord divisions), banking (principally through American Investment Bank, N.A.) and real estate development; and, through its approximately 66 percent interest in PHLCORP, Inc., is engaged in trading stamps (through The Sperry and Hutchinson Company, Inc.), motivation services (through S&H Motivation, Inc.) and the property and casualty insurance businesses (principally through Empire Insurance Company and Allcity Insurance Company).

In addition, as a result of its partnership interest in The Jordan Company and Jordan/Zalaznick Capital Corporation, two related partnerships which are principally engaged in structuring leveraged buy-outs in which their partners become equity participants, the company has equity interests in several private companies. The company also owns non-controlling equity interests representing more than 5 percent in the following publicly owned U.S. companies: Carmike Cinemas, Inc. (16 percent of Class A shares), Jones

Plumbing Systems, Inc. (approximately 11 percent), Olympus Capital Corporation (approximately 24 percent) and Transportation Capital Corp. (approximately 13 percent) and owns approximately 46.6 percent of the outstanding share capital of Molins PLC, a United Kingdom corporation.

CONTACT: Ruth Klindtworth of Leucadia National, 212-460-1900.

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#90281p2475 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

VAN NUYS, CALIF. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Pinkerton's Inc. (NASDAQ: PKTN) achieved higher net income in its third quarter and continued its strong operating trend for the year.

Net income advanced 61 percent to $2,787,000 for the 12 weeks ended Sept. 7, from $1,727,000 for the same period a year ago. Earnings per share rose to 44 cents from 35 cents last year, however, weighted average outstanding common equivalent shares are 6,119,113 as compared to only 4,730,051 last year. The difference being the initial public offering of common stock in April 1990. Revenues for the quarter were $135,476,000 compared to $140,607,000 in the corresponding quarter a year ago.

Income before extraordinary item increased 55 percent to $5,788,000, or 98 cents per share for the three quarters of 1990 from $3,734,000, or 73 cents per share for the three quarters of 1989. The extraordinary item was an after-tax charge of $2,796,000, or 50 cents per share, for the write-off of previously deferred financing costs. This charged reduced net income for the three quarters of 1990 to $2,992,000, or 48 cents per share. Revenues for the three quarters of 1990 were $403,103,000 compared to $419,629,000 for the same period last year.

Thomas W. Wathen, chairman and president, commented, "Pinkerton continued to make excellent progress toward its strategic goals during the third quarter. We have seen substantial gains in operating income for both the third quarter and three quarters, in spite of the modest declines in revenues due to dropping some marginal clients. In the last quarter, the company has focused on adding revenue to renew its growth process."

He added, "As planned, we have just introduced a marketing component to our growth strategy to build on our company's outstanding reputation and solid finance base.

"During the third quarter, we established our international division as planned and also opened our first office in Mexico. We see an excellent potential for growth in selected international markets in the coming years. We are also developing our service lines within the security and investigation business."

Wathen concluded, "We remain highly optimistic about our company's many opportunities for growth, particularly in a period that may be faced with recession, because of our experienced field management people who have been through these times before. We have achieved increased profits since going public and we believe that our strategy will continue to succeed in the fourth quarter and beyond."

Pinkerton's Inc. is one of the largest security and investigative companies in the United States with 208 offices in 40 states and three foreign countries and more than 40,000 employees.

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-30- 2994

#90281p2476 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIF. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Before heading to outer space McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) engineers and a former Apollo astronaut will first go underwater to assemble a Mars aerobrake.

McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co. and the Mars Mission Research Center will work together on the full-scale test of an aerobrake mockup scheduled for Oct. 17.

Conducted in McDonnell Douglas' Underwater Test Facility, the test will allow engineers to approximate zero gravity conditions similar to those astronauts will encounter in space. Former Apollo astronaut Pete Conrad will participate as a diver in the upcoming test. Outfitted in a space suit to further simulate actual space conditions, he will work underwater to assemble the aerobrake -- providing valuable feedback to test conductors at the surface.

Aerobrakes, large structures covered with materials able to withstand high temperatures, operate by creating atmospheric drag forces that slow down an approaching spacecraft, allowing it to enter the orbit of the destination planet. NASA has identified aerobraking as a critical technology for the Space Exploration Initiative that President Bush established in July 1989.

The tests will use a partial, full-scale mockup of a candidate Mars aerobrake that the Mars Mission Research Center developed at its facilities in North Carolina. The academic organization is a NASA- sponsored University Space Engineering Research Center that is co-located at North Carolina State and North Carolina A&T universities. Students at the center have had an important role in developing the mockup and will be supporting the upcoming tests.

A key tool in the test will be a large telerobotic arm used to line up pieces of the aerobrake. Test conductors will measure the length of time required to construct the aerobrake and the effectiveness of the astronaut/robotic

interaction.

The benefit of aerobraking comes from potential savings in propellant requirements compared to standard approaches that employ rockets for all of the braking maneuvers. However because of their large sizes (some designs call for dimensions of more than 120 feet), it will probably be impractical to launch a fully integrated, rigid aerobrake on a single rocket booster.

Consequently the options of assembling aerobrakes in orbit, possibly on Space Station Freedom, is receiving considerable interest. Another alternative is to make the aerobrakes out of advanced, flexible materials that can be packed into a standard launch vehicle fairing and then deployed upon reaching orbit.

McDonnell Douglas plans to generate data on the erectable aerobrake approach this year, particularly in the areas of facilities, operations and interactions between space-walking astronauts and telerobotic arms. Such data will be used to refine future designs of aerobrakes, as well as growth versions of Space Station Freedom.

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#90281p2480 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELKIN, N.C. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Brendle's, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: BRDL) an upscale discount department store headquartered in Elkin, N.C., announces today the Grand Opening on October 12, 1990, of its new store in Durham, N.C.

This new 40,000 square foot store, located at 3500 Roxboro Road in the new Oxford Commons Shopping center in Durham, features the new raceway design for ease of shopping.

The Store Manager for this store is Henry Drane, who has been in store management for 16 years of which 2 years have been with Brendle's.

This new Durham store will be the twelfth of sixteen new stores Brendle's will open during its aggressive 1990 campaign bringing their total to 59 stores throughout North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee and Georgia.

Brendle's Inc. is a public company traded over the counter under the symbol BRDL.

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#90281p2487 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

INSTON-SALEM, N.C. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - R.J. Reynolds Tobacco International Inc. today announced that it has purchased one of Germany's leading cigarette brands.

The company signed an agreement this week with the former East German State Trust, Treuhandanstalt, to acquire Club, the third-biggest local brand in eastern Germany.

Club currently holds a 15 percent share of the local brand segment in the former East German market. Club has been sold and marketed by RJR Tobacco International's German subsidiary, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco GmbH, under a contractual agreement since March 1990.

RJR Tobacco International began selling its Camel, Winston and Reyno brands in East Germany earlier this year. Company officials said the purchase of Club would give RJR Tobacco International an additional foothold in the eastern German market.

Production of the brand will be moved next year to an RJR Tobacco International facility in Germany; it is currently produced in eastern Berlin.

R.J. Reynolds Tobacco International is a subsidiary of RJR Nabisco Inc.

CONTACT: Brenda H. Follmer of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco, 919-741-3160.

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#90281p2490 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST MONROE, LA. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Manville Forest Products Corp. (MFP) announced today that it has established corporate offices in Atlanta, Ga. in order to better serve its expanding international operations. MFP has acquired three international companies -- in the U.K., Sweden and Australia -- in the past seven months. MFP also operates a subsidiary in Brazil, one of Brazil's largest paper producers which includes two paper mills and three container plants.

"We expect one-half of our sales to be generated by our foreign operations in the near future," said Tom Johnson, MFP president. The Atlanta MFP corporate headquarters will provide offices for the corporation's president, chief financial officer, the international division and support staffs.

MFP's domestic operations, which includes the paperboard, packaging and wood products divisions, will continue to be headquartered in West Monroe, La. No major organizational changes for these operations are expected as a result of opening the Atlanta office.

In West Monroe, the company operates a pulp and paper mill which supplies paper and paperboard to the company's other plants nationwide. The mill

produces clay coated and uncoated, unbleached paperboard and kraft paper and corrugating medium. The company also owns or operated 600,000 acres of timberland in Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas with a sawmill and plywood plant at Joyce, La. as well as a sawmill at Huttig, Ark. Converting plants are located in West Monroe; Bakersfield, Calif.; Charlotte, N.C.; Cincinnati, Ohio; Clinton, Miss.; Jacksonville, Ill.; Kankakee, Ill.; Madison, Wisc.; and Memphis, Tenn.

In anticipation of growing international paper markets and a predicted downturn in U.S. paper markets, MFP undertook an aggressive international expansion program earlier this year. "We intend to keep our West Monroe paper mill production at peak levels," said Johnson. "By expanding our customer base internationally, we protect local jobs and spur growth."

In addition to international growth, MFP anticipates committing up to $40 million in new capital expenditures at the West Monroe complex in 1991 and $13 million more in capital projects at other plant locations across the U.S.

Manville Forest Products Corp. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Manville Corp. The company has major business segments in paperboard, packaging and wood products. Current employment is approximately 8,200 worldwide with 2,200 employed in northern Louisiana. MFP's consolidated sales for 1989 were $777 million. Operating earnings in 1989 of $180 million represented approximately 49 percent of Manville Corporation's consolidated earnings.

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-30- 2953

#90281p2501 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, TX (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Altai Inc. (NASDAQ: ALTI) today announced revenue and earnings for its 1990 fiscal year which ended July 31, 1990. Revenue increased 40 percent to $6,621,000 compared to $4,741,000 for the prior year. Net income from continuing operations for the year was a loss of $454,000 or 24 cents per share compared to a loss of $176,000, or 9 cents per share for the prior fiscal year. Fourth quarter revenue was $1,663,000 with a net loss of $206,000 (11 cents per share) compared to revenue of $1,300,000 and net income of $5,000 (1 cent per share) for the same quarter a year ago.

James P. Williams, Altai president and CEO commented, "The company's losses are directly attributable to the $1,300,000 in legal and professional fees required to defend a lawsuit filed against Altai in August of 1988. The cost to defend this action accelerated with the case being brought to trial during the second half of this fiscal year." Williams continued, "Without these litigation expenses, Altai would have had a year of both strong growth and respectable profitability."

Williams stated, "Altai's 40 percent revenue growth for the year was on target with the year's forecast. Altai's new products have helped contribute to this growth, and we expect more exciting products to be announced in the coming year." Williams concluded, "The company's revenue growth should continue as more and more data centers take advantage of the enormous benefits derived from automated operations and the integrated product line solutions offered by Altai Software."

For the year ended July 31, 1990

	1990	1989
Revenue	$ 6,621,000	$ 4,741,000
Net income (loss) from:		
Continuing operations	(454,000)	(176,000)
Discontinued operations	-	119,000
Gain on sale of assets	-	1,247,000
Total Net Income (Loss)	(454,000)	1,190,000
Net income per share (loss)		
Continuing operations	(.24)	(.09)
Discontinued operations	-	.06
Gain on sale of assets	-	.60
Net Income Per Share (Loss)	(.24)	.57
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	1,891,000	2,080,000

For the three months ended July 31, 1990

	1990	1989
Revenue	$ 1,663,000	$ 1,300,000
Net income (loss) from:		
Continuing operations	(206,000)	5,000
Discontinued operations	-	(4,000)
Gain on sale of assets	-	18,000
Total Net Income (Loss)	(206,000)	19,000
Net income (loss) per share		
Continuing operations	(.11)	.00
Discontinued operations	-	(.00)
Gain on sale of assets	-	.01
Net Income (Loss) Per Share	(.11)	.01
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	1,870,000	1,936,000

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-30- 3489

#90281p2503 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCHAUMBURG, ILL. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola, Inc. (NYSE: MOT) said today that it has reached a satisfactory settlement with Hitachi, Ltd. (NYSE: HIT) on intellectual property and technology disputes between the companies regarding Hitachi's H/8 and H/16 microcontrollers and Motorola's 68030 and

88000 microprocessors.

Settlement terms were not disclosed. Motorola said it will file joint motions with Hitachi before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit and the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas (Austin Division), requesting that all pending cases involving Hitachi's microcontrollers and Motorola's microprocessors be dismissed.

In a statement, Motorola Semiconductor Products Sector President and General Manager James A. Norling said: "We are very pleased with this settlement. Our unwavering goals in this legal action were to protect Motorola's intellectual property, and to assure our customers an uninterrupted supply of Motorola's leadership microprocessors. This settlement achieves both those goals."

Motorola is one of the world's leading providers of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets. Motorola's products include two-way radios, pagers, cellular telephone systems, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronic equipment, data communications and information processing and handling equipment.

CONTACT: Tim Kellogg of Motorola, 708-576-0642

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#90281p2517 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - INTERCO INC. (NYSE: ISS) reported operating results for the second quarter and six months ended Aug. 31, 1990. Results from continuing operations for the current year reflect INTERCO's core companies -- Broyhill Furniture Industries Inc.; The Lane Co. Inc.; Converse Inc.; and The Florsheim Shoe Co.

Sales levels of the four core companies were approximately even with last year. Operating earnings, while below last year, were generally in line with the company's expectations, given the continuing soft domestic economic environment. Richard B. Loynd, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, noted that in the second quarter the company made good progress in the area of working capital management which resulted in improved cash generation.

Second Quarter Results

For the second quarter, sales from continuing operations were $369.1 million, compared with $430.2 million a year ago. The year-earlier figures, however, included Ethan Allen Inc., sold in the second quarter of fiscal 1990, and Senack Shoes Inc., the majority of which was also sold in the second quarter. In last year's second quarter, core business sales were $371.3 million.

Earnings from continuing operations after corporate expense, but before interest expense, restructuring expenses, asset dispositions and income taxes, were $22.8 million, compared with $34.7 million last year. The year-ago results included a profit contribution of $1.2 million from Ethan Allen and Senack. Core companies' earnings before corporate expense were $27.7 million, compared with $35 million a year ago.

The net loss from continuing operations was $30.5 million, or $1.40 a share (including preferred dividend requirements of 61 cents a share), compared with net earnings of $41.4 million, or 52 cents a share last year (including preferred dividend requirements of 51 cents a share). Including discontinued operations, INTERCO reported a net loss of $35.3 million, or $1.53 a share, versus net earnings of $118.7 million, or $2.43 a share a year ago. Last year's net earnings included an after-tax gain of $139.9 million realized from sales of assets, of which $69.7 million related to continuing operations.

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-30- 2469

#90281p2523 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAYLOR, MICH. (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Heritage Federal Savings Bank today announced the consolidation of its Bagley Township office into its Gaylord office effective Nov. 1, 1990.

Commenting on the announcement, E.G. Wilkinson Jr., president and CEO of Heritage Federal Savings Bank, said, "This move is designed to better serve our Bagley Township and Gaylord customers by increasing the number of tellers available to serve them."

Heritage Federal Savings Bank is Michigan's 16th-largest financial institution and one of its strongest thrifts. The bank serves Southeast and Northern Michigan through its home office and 45 full- service branch offices.

CONTACT: E.G. Wilkinson Jr., 313-285-1010, or Faye M. Tabor, 313-246-1219, both of Heritage Federal Savings Bank

-30- 962

#90281p2527 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - TM Communications Inc. announced today that it has changed its name to TM Century Inc. The name change reflects its new operations as a result of its recent merger with Century 21 Programming Inc., also a Dallas-based company.

Dave Scott, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, announced two executive changes. P. Craig Turner has been appointed president of TM Century Inc. Turner was previously vice president and general manager of TM

Century's programming subsidiary and studio manager of JAM Creative Productions, also of Dallas. P. Craig Turner replaces Don Turner, formerly president and chief financial officer of TM Communications, who recently resigned to pursue other interests but remains with the company as a consultant.

Lynne Mabry, C.P.A., has been appointed vice president and chief financial officer of TM Century Inc. Mabry was formerly a senior manager of Deloitte & Touche, a national public accounting firm.

Scott also announced that Donald E. Latin has been elected a director of the company. Latin is president of D. Latin and Co. Inc., a Dallas-based corporate finance firm. Latin previously was executive vice president and chief financial officer of Dallas Federal Savings. Prior to that, he was senior vice president and manager of corporate finance at Rauscher Pierce Refsnes, a Dallas-based investment banking firm.

TM Century Inc. supplies music formats, music production libraries, station jingles, and computer software to radio stations worldwide. The stock symbol is TMCI.

CONTACT: Dave Scott or Carol Peek 800-937-2100, or 214-934-2121, both of TM Century Inc.

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#90281p2528 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA ANA, CA (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The following earnings results was released by Provena Foods Inc. (NASDAQ: PVNA) today:

PROVENA FOODS INC.
Statement of Operations
(Unaudited)

	3 months ended Sept. 30,		9 months ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$11,250,265	$9,445,532	$31,124,135	$25,241,228
Cost of sales	10,100,757	8,536,992	27,786,940	22,709,847
Gross profit	1,149,508	908,540	3,337,195	2,531,381
Operating expenses:				
Distribution	404,665	403,606	1,212,365	1,110,194
General and administrative	377,450	357,731	1,095,859	1,043,166
Operating income	367,393	147,203	1,028,971	378,021
Interest expense (net)	(11,046)	(49,983)	(14,307)	(131,976)
Other income (net)	9,761	18,981	17,817	56,520
Earnings before income				

taxes	366,108	116,201	1,032,481	302,565
Income tax expense	146,970	46,640	418,315	121,440
Net earnings (loss)	219,138	69,561	614,166	181,125
Earnings per share	$.09	$.03	$.24	$.07
Weighted average number of shares	2,576,192	2,580,491	2,583,927	2,584,974

Sales increased in pounds for the first nine months of 1990 over 1989 by 20 percent for pepperoni and by 7 percent for pasta to a larger number of customers.

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#90281p2544 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Hughes Aircraft Company announced today it has entered into a joint international marketing/ support agreement for specialized radar test equipment with Netherlands-based March Microwave Systems B.V.

Under terms of the agreement, made public here during the opening of the 12th annual Antenna Measurement Techniques Association conference, Hughes' Radar Systems Group will represent March and promote its products within the United States, according to Radar Systems Group President David D. Lynch Jr., manager of the group's Microwave Division.

Dr. Joe Vokurka, March's principal owner, said March will provide technical sales and product support for Hughes customers and representatives in Europe and other selected areas as needed.

In addition, March's U.S. operation in Chandler, Ariz., will provide radar cross section imaging software for Hughes' new MMS-410 Hardware Gating Adapter which was publicly presented for the first time at the conference.

The Hardware Gating Adapter is an add-on device that provides substantially improved performance for vector network analyzers used for radar cross section or antenna measurements.

Hughes is a subsidiary of GM Hughes Electronics, a unit of General Motors.

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-30- 1519

#90281p2547 10/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - James P. Lennane, chairman of the ASK Shareholders Committee, announced today that the National Association of

Securities Dealers, Inc. has determined that the proposed sale of 42 percent of ASK Computer Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: ASKI) common stock to Hewlett-Packard Company (NYSE: HWP) and Electronic Data Systems Corporation, in connection with ASK's proposed acquisition of Ingres Corporation, requires the approval of ASK's shareholders as a condition to the continued listing of ASK common stock on the NASDAQ National Market System (NMS).

Lennane commented, "I am pleased that the NASD supports my firm belief that shareholders should have the opportunity to approve significant corporate transactions. The ASK board should heed the NASD's ruling and immediately initiate a shareholder vote to approve the issuance of the new ASK shares. I intend to push forward with my effort to replace a majority of the ASK board at the Oct. 26 annual meeting."

As previously announced, Lennane filed suit in Delaware Chancery Court on Sept. 26 seeking to enjoin the proposed sale until it is approved by a vote of ASK shareholders. A hearing has been scheduled in Delaware for Oct. 9.

CONTACT: Stanley J. Kay or Joseph F. Kern, Jr., 212-688-6840, of Dewe Rogerson Inc., for ASK Shareholders Committee

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#90281u0100 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (OCT. 8) UPI - Bob Welch delivered the post-season start of his career and late-summer acquisition Harold Baines drove in three runs Sunday night, sending the Athletics halfway to an American League playoff sweep with a 4-1 victory over the Red Sox.

Welch, who had never survived the sixth inning in six post-season starts, went 7 1-3 innings, giving the A's a 2-0 lead in the best-of- seven series. They can clinch their third straight pennant by winning two of the next three games all scheduled for Oakland Coliseum.

Welch, a 27-game winner and a candidate for the AL Cy Young Award, set a playoff record simply by throwing a pitch. He has appeared in seven playoffs, the first in 1978 while a member of the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Before a crowd of 35,070, Welch went 7 1-3 innings. Ignoring attempts to break his rhythm, he allowed just six hits and positioned Oakland for its second sweep of the Red Sox in three seasons.

Rick Honeycutt relieved Welch with one out and two on in the eighth. He got Mike Greenwell to ground into a force that knocked shortstop Walt Weiss from the game with a sprained left knee.

Dennis Eckersley relieved and ended the threat by fanning Dwight Evans. He finished for his eighth save, extending his playoff record.

Boston starter Dana Kiecker, whose regular-season ERA at Fenway Park was 6.50, allowed just one run in 5 2-3 innings but relievers duplicated their failure of Game 1. At one point, four of six batters reached against loser Greg Harris and Larry Andersen, and the result was a deficit never overcome in AL playoff history.

Three previous clubs have taken the first two AL Championship Series games on the road, and all have advanced to the World Series. Only twice in 14 tries has a club rebounded to take an ALCS after opening with two losses.

Just as in Game 1, Oakland spotted Boston a run, then tied the score and went ahead before adding insurance runs in the ninth. Only a diving stop by Boston first baseman Carlos Quintana limited the damage in the Oakland seventh, but the A's emerged with their 19th playoff victory, tying the major-league record.

Boston suffered its sixth straight playoff loss, equalling a big- league record.

With the score tied 1-1 in the seventh, Mike Gallego and Rickey Henderson singled, knocking out Harris. Andersen got Willie McGee to force Henderson, and Jose Canseco walked. At that point, four of six Oakland batters had reached against the bullpen.

Quintana then dove to prevent Baines' grounder from going down the line, but the tie-breaking run came across. Baines was acquired from Texas on August 29th for two players to be named later.

Oakland added two runs in the ninth on an RBI double by Baines and and RBI single by Mark McGwire.

For the second straight game, Boston took a 1-0 lead. Luis Rivera opened the third with a double off the Green Monster and advanced on Jody Reed's grounder to second. Quintana lined the first pitch to left, allowing Rivera to score standing up.

Oakland answered in its next turn. Willie McGee led off with a double. One out later, Baines singled him home.

Kiecker left in the sixth despire receiving defensive help. Jose Canseco singled but was erased when Reed snagged Baines' smash and turned it into a double play. But Mark McGwire and Carney Lansford singled, bringing in Harris. Ron Hassey singled, loading the bases, but Walt Weiss grounded out.

By raising its playoff record to 19-15, the A's set an AL mark for most wins and tied the Dodgers for most in the majors.

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#90281u0130 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 8) UPI - Former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke failed to UNseat Democratic incumbent Senator J. Bennett Johnston, but says his strong showing with Louisiana voters boosted his political credibility. Duke lost the race Saturday by 10 percentage points... but he garnered 44 percent of the vote. He blames the loss on a ''political deal'' in which a third candidate withdrew from the race.

22 university presidents at a four-day world-wide conference on the environment say ''urgent actions are needed'' to reverse the damage caused by pollution, the depletion of the ozone layer and the greenhouse effect. The school leaders at the meeting in France agreed to lobby for more research and educational programs to save the environment.

The crew and passengers aboard an Aeroflot jetliner Sunday disarmed a would-be Soviet hijacker who tried to force the plane to fly to Stockholm. The man had threatened to blow up the plane, but NO bomb was found. Officials did NOT say what kind of weapon he was carrying when he was overpowered.

Guatemala is mourning the death of former President Juan Jose Arevalo, who died early Sunday from respiratory problems. He was 86. He led a reform-minded government during the 1940's. It replaced a 13-year- old dictatorship that was the latest in a string of repressive military governments dating back to the 19th century.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 8) UPI - About 500 people demanded a volunteer army and alternative military service at a Constitution Day protest outside the Soviet Defense Ministry.

The Radical Party, one of dozens of political organizations that have sprouted under President Mikhail Gorbachev's glasnost reforms, sponsored the rally Sunday at Moscow's famed Arbat Square on a cold and damp autumn day.

''Only the professionalization and depoliticization of the army and the implementation of alternative service can rescue the army from the depths of complete demoralization,'' said Kiril Klucherovsky, a representative of the Russian Popular Front.

A row of women stood in front of the crowd, holding up posters and photographs of their dead sons, husbands and brothers who were among the 20,000 conscripts they said have died since 1986 in non-combat military service.

Demonstrators hoisted colorful flags against a grey sky, including the blue-yellow-and-white Russian imperial banner, the white-blue-and- red

nationalist Russian flag, the blue-and-yellow Ukrainian flag and a banners from a dozen different political parties and clubs.

The protesters gathered about 150 feet from the massive white-granite Defense Ministry, festooned in honor of Constitution Day with 30 red Soviet flags fluttering in groups of three and cordoned off by a ring of police.

Roars of approval and chants of ''shame, shame'' went up from the crowd when Stanislav Filimonov, a member of the Moscow City Council, called for Defense Minister Dmmitri Yazov's resignation and his replacement by a civilian military leader.

''Yazov - your army is not our army,'' read one of dozens of signs held aloft by the demonstrators. Other placards said, ''We don't want to be occupiers'' and ''Better active today than radioactive tomorrow.''

Fyodor Abramov, 16, held a sign saying, ''We don't want to serve - we want to live.''

Abramov said he hopes that a law allowing alternative service will be in place by the time he reaches draft age in 1992.

''My conscience would never allow me to shoot at another person with a gun,'' he said. ''If I had to go, for instance, to Armenia (to control ethnic unrest) I would simply desert.''

The Soviet armed forces are by far the world's largest with more than 5 million men in uniform. A number of young military officers have joined the call for a streamlined volunteer army with provisions for alternative service, but their demands have been resisted by Yazov and other high commanders.

The current army is plagued by frequent incidents of hazing and other acts of violence, which speakers at the rally Sunday said have caused 20,000 largely uninvestigated deaths in the past four years.

Ina Blinova, 50, held up a photograph of her son, Alexander, who she said was hanged June 4 by other soldiers. Ludmila Bezrukova, 28, said her brother, Igor Trifonov, died July 10 in mysterious circumstances that she said are being probed only halfheartedly.

The demonstration was scheduled to coincide with Constitution Day, which celebrates the Oct. 7, 1977, adoption of the present Soviet Constitution under the late Leonid Brezhnev. The country has had several constitutions since the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution.

The Soviet Parliament is currently drafting a new constitution, and rally speakers Sunday called on deputies to act more speedily and adopt a document scrapping the constitutional article that guarantees the Communist Party

monopoly rule.

Krasnaya Zvezda, the army's official newspaper, said in a commentary: ''If whole generations of people constantly see that words are at variance with deeds, it is futile to expect that they will become law- abiding citizens.''

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(OCT. 8) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	2	0	0	4	14	8
New Jersey	1	1	1	2	10	11
Washington	1	1	0	2	10	11
Philadelphia	1	2	0	2	11	7
NY Islanders	1	2	0	2	7	10
NY Rangers	0	2	0	0	7	9

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	3	0	0	6	16	4
Hartford	1	0	1	3	8	7
Montreal	1	0	1	3	9	8
Buffalo	0	1	1	1	8	9
Quebec	0	2	1	1	6	15

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	2	1	0	4	11	9
St. Louis	1	1	0	2	5	7
Detroit	0	2	1	1	9	16
Minnesota	0	1	0	0	2	3
Toronto	0	3	0	0	4	14

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	2	0	0	4	7	3
Edmonton	2	0	0	4	4	2
Winnipeg	1	1	0	2	7	2
Los Angeles	1	1	0	2	7	7
Vancouver	1	1	0	2	8	6

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(OCT. 8) UPI - ALCS BOX SCORE:

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
RHendrsn lf	5	0	1	0	Reed 2b	4	0	1	0
WMcGee cf	5	2	2	0	Quintana 1b	3	0	0	1
Canseco rf	3	1	1	0	Boggs 3b	4	0	2	0
Baines dh	5	0	2	3	Burks cf	3	0	1	0
Blnknshp pr	0	0	0	0	Greenwell lf	3	0	0	0
MMcGwir 1b	5	0	2	1	Evans dh	4	0	1	0
Lansford 3b	5	0	3	0	Brunnsky rf	3	0	0	0
Hassey c	3	0	1	0	Pena c	4	0	0	0
Weiss ss	4	0	0	0	Rivera ss	2	1	1	0
Randolph 2b	0	0	0	0	Marshall ph	1	0	0	0
Gallego 2b	3	1	1	0	Barrett 2b	0	0	0	0
					Heep ph	1	0	0	0
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Oakland						
Welch (W 1-0)	7 1-3	6	1	1	3	4
Honeycutt	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Eckersly (S 1)	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	2
Boston						
Kiecker	5 2-3	6	1	1	1	2
G Harris (L 0-1)	1-3	3	1	1	0	0
Andersen	1	1	0	0	1	1
Reardon	2	3	2	2	1	0

Harris Pitched To Two Batters In The Seventh. Andersen

Pitched To One Batter In The Eighth.

HBP-Gallego By Kiecker, Hassey By Reardon.

Umpires- Home, Hirschbeck; 1b, Evans; 2b, Cooney; 3b, Voltaggio; Lf, McCoy; Rf Garcia.

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(OCT. 8) UPI - The House Sunday night opened debate on a Democratic-crafted budget plan that finds new ways to reduce the nation's budget deficit by 500-BILLION dollars during five years. Democratic House and Senate negotiators on a conference committee cleared the way for the action when they approved the measure hours earlier.

Arab leaders Sunday searched for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis, even though Iraq has been sending conflicting messages about its intentions. P-L-O chief Yasser Arafat met with Jordan's King Hussein in Amman. A high- level Egyptian delegation traveled to Syria for talks on the crisis.

The United Auto Workers Union has nailed down agreements with the nation's top two automakers. And U-A-W President Owen Bieber says he believes the union can reach a similar pact with Chrysler, even though the number-three automaker says it can't afford it. A three-year pact tentatively agreed to Sunday with Ford is similar to a deal cut last month with General Motors.

Activity aboard the shuttle Discovery on Monday will be similar to Sunday's work when the astronauts kept busy with a number of tasks... including experiments and the gathering of data for a 1992 satellite rescue mission. The four-day flight to launch a European-built solar probe is scheduled to end Wednesday morning.

Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor Sunday repeated his call for ''UNconditional negotiations'' with third parties to the rebellion in the West African nation. Taylor's calls came as his troops retreated from two battlefronts as they were hit with heavy artillery by a West African peace-keeping force.

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MONROVIA, LIBERIA (OCT. 8) UPI - Ten-year-old Benedick was resting, exhausted and unstable from a lack of food. A walk from the city center, which ordinarily would have taken the youngster 20 minutes, lasted the whole night.

He sat on an uprooted telegraph pole, completely naked, the sharp angles of his shoulder blades almost breaking through the tight skin of his back. The bars of his ribs furrowed his chest.

His family had died of starvation and he simply left the house, without clothes or purpose, and reached the port early in the morning.

Benedick was carried to the redemption hospital in New Kru Town, on the

outskirts of Monrovia. He needed glucose and antibiotics to stop his chronic diarrhea and dehydration, but the hospital had neither.

He died a few hours later.

''Well,'' said Dr. Gbatokai Dakinah, ''we cannot save them all.'' He smiled, even laughed. It was just one more death, another starving child trapped in the 10-month old war. The war could not be solved by pity.

Dakinah would like to charge $10 a day for patients who want to be admitted but they have no money to pay. And he has no money to buy food or medication.

''It's complete charity work,'' he said. ''The food situation is so desperate that we can't do more than give our patients one small meal a day. There's no meat and no fish. We're having to treat cholera, meningitis and gunshot wounds and we don't have any new medical supplies.''

The Belgian aid agency Medecines sans Frontieres has provided substantial supplies to the 50-bed island clinic a few miles away. What was once the smartest private clinic in Monrovia is now treating 105 patients, most of them suffering from non-specific diarrhea, gunshot wounds and a mixture of malnutrition and cholera, known locally as kwashikoro.

''Everything is about to come to a standstill. We are running out of everything, and people outside Liberia don't understand what is going on,'' said Dr. Augustin Amechi, medical director of the clinic.

A team of gravediggers at the clinic is paid a cup of rice each for every body they have to bury.

An ambulance service brings in new patients from the city every day. The ambulances are wheelbarrows, and the drivers charge $25 for a one- way trip.

''This situation is worse than Biafra,'' said Dr. Amechi, a Nigerian. ''There, it was the soldiers who suffered, but here, around nine civilians are dying for every soldier.''

As many as 70,000 people have left the center of the war-torn Liberian capital and crossed to Bushrod Island where the two clinics are located. There, they gather around the entrance to the freeport, where they hope either to be evacuated by ships of the West African peacekeeping force, or to find rice brought in on the ships for the force's 4,000-strong army.

Outside the port, hundreds of people line up for days, hoping that something will happen. While talking to people in the lines Saturday, a Nigerian soldier from the force tried to hawk a sack of rice for 100 American dollars.

Some members of the peacekeeping force - sent to Liberia by the Economic

Community of West African States on Aug. 24. - have been found selling goods from warehouses in the port to the starving, impoverished population.

Businessmen whose warehouses were not looted by Liberian government soldiers or rebels intent on profiteering from the war, are now trying to make up for their losses by inflating prices in the captive market. Despite assurances from the ECOWAS field commander, Major Gen. Joshua Doganyaro, Friday, that the port is now safe for supplies to be brought in by sea, insurance premiums have increased 900 percent, so the local business community is thriving.

Along United Nations Drive, which runs the length of Bushrod Island, Liberians sell the goods that the businessmen - most of them Indian or Lebanese - allow to trickle out of their warehouses.

A mouthful of milk powder is sold for $4, while a tin of the powder is sold for up to $120. The insides of palm leaves, being sold as a rice substitute although it has almost no nutritional value, are on sale for $3.50 a slice.

People try to sell handkerchiefs and cloth and shoes wrapped in plastic bags, but nobody wants to buy.

Among the street vendors, starving children, their faces withered by hunger, try to get $5 for plastic carrier bags that used to sell for 20 cents.

Squatting on the ground beside an overgrown railroad track, children use stones to crack palm kernels on the hard, hot ground. The small nuts inside are worth about three cents each, but they were the only food those children would eat that day.

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(OCT. 8) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

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By a vote of 250-164, the House this morning passed a budget plan written by Democrats that would cut Medicare by 42-BILLION dollars instead of the 60-BILLION called for in the plan defeated last week. The Senate is expected to consider the new plan later today. The House has now turned to a spending bill to end the two-day shutdown of federal agencies.

The shuttle Discovery astronauts deliberately started a fire yesterday, as part of an experiment to see how the absence of gravity affects flames. The small fire in a special chamber sputtered out after about 70 seconds. It appeared to flash irregularly, instead of burning steadily.

The Supreme Court this week considers whether employers can keep women out of some jobs because their fetuses may be harmed. The case involves a maker of batteries that barred women of child-bearing age from jobs in which they could be exposed to high levels of lead.

Ford and the United Auto Workers reached a tentative agreement on a three-year contract yesterday. The union says the agreement is similar to one reached with General Motors. Ford is believed to have agreed to a three percent wage increase the first year and three percent lump sum payments in later years.

Former Governor Scott Matheson of Utah died of cancer yesterday in Salt Lake City. Matheson was 61. Matheson was elected in 1976 and re- elected in 1980. Before entering politics, he was a lawyer for a railroad and a mining corporation. Matheson had been treated for about one year for bone marrowcancer.

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(OCT. 8) UPI - The U-S prison population reached three-quarters of a Million in June- a record. That was more than double the number of prisoners 10 years ago. The Justice Department says the number increased more than 80-thousand in the past year. For every 100-thousand residents, 289 people are in state and federal prisons.

A man who tried to hijack a Soviet plane was disarmed and the plane landed safely in Archangel, on the White Sea. The news agency Tass reports that the man said he had a bomb he would blow up if he was not flown to Stockholm. The crew and passenger overcame him and NO bomb was found.

The Soviet newspaper Trud says more than one half of the Soviet Union's 286-Million people live below the poverty level. It says 161-Million people... 56 percent... earn less than 150 rubles. That's about 260 dollars. Trud says three-fourths of the retired people in the Soviet Union do not even own a radio.

The Austrian Socialist Party was easily returned to power in yesterday's elections, while the conservative People's Party lost 17 of its 77 seats. The two parties had been partners in a coalition. The Socialists are expected to retain the chancellor's post. The right-wing Freedom Party was the big gainer.

Presidents of 40 universities around the world have agreed to increase research on environmental problems. The education leaders from 22 nations met for three days in Talloires, France. Their declaration says- ''We human beings have become a danger to ourselves. We must act in time.''

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(OCT. 8) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

NLCS - Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 3:00 p.m.

FOOTBALL

Cleveland at Denver, 9 p.m.

GAMES

Beijing - Asian Games

HOCKEY

Minnesota at New York, 7:30 p.m.

TENNIS

Sydney, Australia - $1 million Australian Indoor Championships
Moscow - $100,000 Women's Open
Toulouse, France - $260,000 Grand Prix

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#90281u0357 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) UPI - The budget battle moved to the Senate following House passage early Monday of a Democratic-crafted budget plan that gives a House committee power to ease Medicare cuts by $18 billion and alter a previously defeated plan's tax package.

The 250-164 mostly party-line vote came at about 2:30 a.m. after two hours of sometimes bitter partisan debate. The Senate was expected to consider the new budget plan later Monday, along with a temporary spending bill that would end the two-day shutdown of most federal agencies and services.

The House passed the stop-gap funding bill at about 3:45 a.m. EDT Monday after approving the budget plan. But the money measure was identical to the one Bush vetoed on Saturday, and Republicans warned Bush would veto the bill again because it lacked a provision he demanded.

Rep. Dean Gallo, R-N.J., who supported a bipartisan plan defeated by the House early Friday, said on the floor early Monday that President Bush may oppose the new Democratic-crafted budget plan.

''We just got word that the president is not in favor of the way this has been

handled,'' Gallo said. The White House could not be reached for comment.

Debate on the budget plan opened with House Budget Committee Chairman Leon Panetta, D-Calif., telling colleagues, ''We are tonight a government in crisis and it is extremely important that we move forward with this budget resolution. ... We can no longer engage in just partisanship or games.''

The new budget plan would still cut the huge deficit by about $40 billion in fiscal year 1991, which began Oct. 1, and by $500 billion over five years. But it would significantly reduce the Medicare cut and give the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee, which is controlled by Democrats, broad latitude to devise the tax component.

The new plan, according to several Democratic congressmen, would cut Medicare spending by $42 billion over five years instead of by the $60 billion Medicare would have been cut in a bipartisan budget plan negotiated by President Bush and congressional leaders but rejected by the House early Friday.

That rejection sent budget negotiators scurrying to craft a new plan which, unlike the previous proposal, apparently will not need to win a majority of both parties in both Houses in order to ensure passage. A majority of both parties rejected the first budget plan Friday.

Sources indicated that of the $42 billion Medicare cut proposed in the new plan, $30 billion would be paid by doctors and hospitals while beneficiaries would pick up other $12 billion through higher premiums and other costs that are not yet determined.

The $60 billion Medicare cut in the defeated bipartisan budget plan, which angered seniors and lawmakers of both parties, had providers paying $32 billion and beneficiaries paying $28 billion. The new plan, if adopted, would save beneficiaries $16 billion over five years compared to the initial plan.

The new plan also would cut defense spending by a little more than the earlier proposal and shift $300 million in agriculture cuts from fiscal 1991 to a later year.

While a smaller Medicare cut might have broad bipartisan support, the rest of the new proposal being discussed Sunday had Republicans nervous.

The plan would let Ways and Means, led by Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D- Ill., decide how to cut $20 billion fromthe deficit. In other words, the panel could decide which taxes to raise and which to cut and by how much.

''Nobody is interested in giving Dan Rostenkowski a $20 billion piece of revenue Silly Putty,'' said Rep. Jack Buechner, R-Mo.

The defeated budget plan laid out a series of specific new taxes, including

higher levies on gasoline, alcohol, tobacco and airline tickets.

House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., meanwhile, criticized Bush for a ''gratuitous'' veto of a stop-gap spending bill. The House narrowly sustained that veto Saturday.

Foley said Bush's veto, which shut down the government except for essential services such as air traffic control, forced the House to waste time Saturday on a ''divisive debate'' on overriding the veto, even though Bush wanted lawmakers to focus on getting a new budget plan.

''I don't want the president setting fires up here on (Capitol) Hill that incite partisanship and division,'' the speaker said. ''It was a bad mistake, and I hope the president doesn't continue it.''

Bush has said he would sign a stop-gap spending bill as long as it did not delay automatic Gramm-Rudman spending cuts that would require unpaid furloughs for thousands of government workers and disrupt federal services.

But Foley said that was unacceptable. ''I do not want to see this government shut down for any purpose at any time,'' he said.

Foley also acknowledged some softening of earlier GOP opposition to raising income tax rates on the wealthiest taxpayers in exchange for the GOP goal of cutting capital gains taxes.

On the CBS program ''Face the Nation,'' budget director Richard Darman did not rule it out but said he did not expect to see that deal struck in the budget plan, which has no force of law and only tells committees what they must do to cut the deficit.

''I would be very surprised to see that as far as any agreement between now and Tuesday morning,'' Darman said.

''Darman is right,'' Foley said. ''We are not going to be doing that on the budget resolution.''

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SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (OCT. 8) UPI - President Roh Tae-woo fired his defense minister and another ranking official Monday for allegedly letting military security agents conduct illegal surveillance on more than 1,300 people, including politicians and dissidents.

South Korea's main opposition leader, Kim Dae Jung, meanwhile, started hunger strike to push a series of political demands, including one seeking a firm government assurance for political neutrality by the military.

Roh named Lee Jong-koo, 55, a retired general and former Army chief of staff, as defense minister succeeding Lee Sang-hoon, 57. Roh also appointed Army Lt. Gen. Koo Chang-hwe to head the powerful Defense Security Command, replacing Lt. Gen. Cho Nam-pung.

The shakeup followed a heated controversy over the alleged illegal surveillance conducted by the Defense Security Command, which is in charge of both criminal investigations and intelligence for the armed forces.

A presidential spokesman said it is the policy of the president to take prompt action against those who are responsible for wrongs related to state affairs.

''If there are problematic aspects in the operations of the Defense Security Command measures will be taken to improve its structure to meet the circumstances of the new era,'' the spokesman said.

The alleged military spying on civilians was disclosed by an Army deserter on Thursday. Private Yoon Suk-yang, 24, who was assigned to a branch office of the command, said the surveillance targets included politicians, lawyers, church and civic leaders, college professors, journalists, labor activists and dissidents.

To back up his claim, Yoon produced files prepared by agents of the Defense Security Command. Officials later said Yoon stole the documents at the time of his defection.

The disclosure drew furious protests from political parties, civic organizations and dissident groups. Even the ruling Democratic Liberal Party was critical of the alleged surveillance.

Under previous governments, the command was accused by the opposition of spying on politicians and meddling in politics. The latest develpment was embarrasing to Roh, who promised to reorganize the command structure to bar such illegal activity.

Kim Dae Jung, one of the surveillance targets, said at a news conference that he was starting an indefinite hunger strike to press his political demands.

He demanded that Roh promise not to seek a revision to the constitution, to adopt a parliamentary Cabinet system and carry out an agreement with the opposition to implement local autonomy without delay.

He also demanded that the Defense Security Command be disbanded and military interference in politics be stopped. He threatened to stage nationwide rallies and signature-collection drives to demand political neutrality of the military.

''President Roh must personally apologize to the people for the military

surveillance of civilians and announce firm measures against recurrence of such activity,'' he said.

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TOKYO (OCT. 8) UPI - Typhoon Hattie cut a swath across Japan's main islands Monday, drenching the nation and leaving three dead in a landslide before it was downgraded to a tropical storm shortly before hitting Tokyo.

Hattie, the 21st typhoon of the year and the fifth to hit Japan, struck overnight in the southermost main island of Kyushu with winds of 65 mph before moving up the Japanese coastline across Shikoku Island to the main island of Honshu.

Three people died and 14 were injured in northern Shikoku when Hattie's heavy rains triggered a landslide that struck the bus they were riding in, Kyodo News Service reported.

In Kyoto, 230 miles southwest of Tokyo, six train passengers were injured by flying glass when the typhoon's powerful winds toppled trees onto their coach, Kyodo said.

Hattie was downgraded to a tropical storm as it approached Tokyo Monday evening. It was expected to pass over Tokyo and move offshore into the Pacific Monday night.

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#90281u0389 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 8) UPI - A plenum of the Communist Party leadership opened Monday with the powerful first secretaries of regions and republics in attendance.

Although the Party abandoned its monopoly on power in February, it is still the most powerful organized force in the country while new parties organize themselves.

But the party's membership is diminishing. The newspaper Argumenti i Fakti said last week that 353,000 members quit the party in the first half of the year.

Although the party's strength is still formidable with some 18 million members many members have stopped paying dues. The party organs are facing a cash shortage and may have to dip into reserves, the financial director of the party said last month.

It is the first plenum, or full session, of the new Communist Party leadership

since the new Central Committee was elected in July at the 28th Party Congress.

The party is headed by Mikhail Gorbachev, the general secretary, but the power base of the country has moved to the new powerful presidency he created for himself and now occupies.

Once the focus of all politics in the Soviet Union, the plenum Monday opened largely to yawns among Muscovites in the capital.

In the past, plenums have generally lasted two days, but the official Tass news agency did not say how long the current session would go.

The Central Commitee has been streamlined to some 210 members down from the more than 300 before Gorbachev's political reforms.

Missing from the new Central Committee is conservative Yegor Ligachev, 69, Gorbachev's former main political rival who was pensioned off in July.

But Tass said that people's deputies from the Communist Party who are not members of the Central Committee have been invited to the plenum.

Since Ligachev is a people's deputy, he might make an appearance in the forum that used to be a showcase for his political prowess.

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#90281u0503 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 8) UPI - The House today gave approval to a Democratic budget plan. The package would cut Medicare by 42-BILLION dollars over five years... instead of the 60-BILLION dollar cut that was part of a plan the House rejected Friday. The Senate will likely take up the bill today. It will also consider a temporary spending bill the House passed. But Republicans warn that Bush will again veto the temporary bill, as he did Saturday.

A Lebanese newspaper reports that technical arrangements to free British hostages are finalized. The pro-Syrian daily newspaper adds that the hostages' release is believed to be only a matter of time. The report quotes UNnamed diplomatic sources as saying ''a number of captives would be freed'' this month when negotiations on the Western hostages are complete.

Motorists who think the price of gasoline keeps going up are right. An industry analyst says retail gasoline prices increased nearly six cents a gallon nationally during the past two weeks. Trilby Lundberg... director of the Lundberg Survey... said a check of prices at 13-thousand retail outlets Friday showed an average weighted price of one-dollar 44- cents a gallon.

Typhoon Hattie cut through Japan's main islands today... soaking the nation and leaving three people dead in a landslide. Hattie struck in the

southernmost main island of Kyushu with winds of 65 miles-an-hour. It moved up the Japanese coastline to the main island of Honshu. Six train passengers were injured by flying glass. But Hattie weakened and was downgraded to a tropical storm as it approached Tokyo.

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(OCT. 8) UPI - The British pound makes its long-awaited debut in the semi-fixed exchange rate scheme of the European Community today... more than 11 years after most E-C currencies were admitted. The rate scale locks in the relative values of European currencies in a narrow range. Analysts predict that the pound will soar in the short run. But they are NOT sure that the move will give Britain the low inflation and low interest rates Germany enjoys.

Police in India say paramilitary troopers set fire to shops and houses yesterday in the troubled north Indian city of Srinagar. The attack was in retaliation for an ambush by Moslem militants that killed two members of a security force patrol. Authorities said troopers also shot dead one firefighter and wounded three others who tried to extinguish the blaze.

University presidents from 22 nations have signed a declaration vowing to increase environmental research and to educate their countrymen about the dangers of pollution. The declaration signed yesterday in France said pollution is caused by UNfair and UNsustainable production and consumption... which aggravates poverty in much of the world.

Travel magazine readers have voted the City by the Bay... San Francisco... as their favorite vacation destination in the United States. Runners-up included Seattle, San Diego, Boston, and New Orleans. Among international destinations... the reader survey tabbed Paris as top choice... replacing Florence, Italy, last year's winner of.

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COLUMBUS, GA (OCT. 8) UPI - Four hunger strikers protesting the U.S. training of Salvadoran soldiers at Fort Benning have ended their 35-day fast after losing a total of 150 pounds.

The Rev. Roy Bourgeois, a Catholic priest from Lutcher, La., said the strikers ended their fast Sunday on the advice of doctors, who warned of permanent health damage.

''Our cause continues,'' Bourgeois said. ''The bread we received today is nourishment for us to recommit ourselves.''

Bourgeois was among nine protesters who began the fast Sept. 3, praying,

carrying signs and marching outside the Army base in Columbus. The group demanded that the United States cut all military aid to El Salvador and stop training Salvadoran soldiers at the base's Army School of the Americas.

The United States is spending $315 million in aid to El Salvador this year, much of it economic and food aid for an economy wracked by a decade-old civil war with leftist guerrillas.

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TOKYO (OCT. 8) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange soared Monday in light= trading boosted by strength in the Japanese yen and bond markets.

The Nikkei Average of 225 selected shares, which gained 571.20 points Friday, surged 802.35 points, or 3.5 percent, to 23,630.00.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, which gained 31.15 points Friday, shot up 46.52 points to 1,727.19.

Volume was light as an estimated 400 million shares changed hands, compared with 478 million shares Friday.

Advances topped declines by nearly 7 to 1.

Analysts said the U.S. dollar's plunge against the yen on the Tokyo Foreign Exchange relieved some inflationary fears and propelled the stock market forward.

The dollar traded in the low 130-yen range Monday, down more than 3 yen from Friday's close of 133.72 yen in foreign exchange trading.

Stocks also benefited from a narrowing yield gap with bonds, as the yield on the bellwether Japanese government bond closed at 8.06 percent, down from a high of 8.72 percent 10 days earlier.

''With the yen trading into the stratosphere, there was no direction for the market but up,'' said analyst Brian Tobin of S.G. Warburg Securities.

As the Nikkei approached the 24,000 level again, the pressure was off individual investors with margin accounts, who had been among the biggest sellers in recent weeks, Tobin said.

''People are content to wait and see,'' Tobin added.

But some analysts worried that the light volume could indicate continuing instability in the market, which has been marked by wide swings in recent weeks.

One analyst characterized the market as rising in a vacuum, warning that it could fall just as fast.

On the trading floor, gains were broad-based, with utilities and financial issues making notable gains based on the stronger yen.

Tokyo Electric Power Co. surged on prospects of cheaper fuel, while Fuji Bank advanced on easing interest rate fears.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks surged on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange following the big gain earlier in Tokyo.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which fell 12.10 points Friday, rose 75.03 points to 2,924.48.

Among the narrower indexes, properties gained 3.68 points, utilities rose 2.90 financials added 1.33 and industrials gained 2.25 points.

Volume totaled 575 million shares, down from the 810 million shares Friday.

''It was a bit surprising,'' said Howard Gorges of South China Securities. ''It's just a gut feeling, but it may be the market has seen too much gloom and doom recently. Maybe the bearishness has been overdone.

''The Tokyo rally was a big factor on Hong Kong's upswing,'' Gorges said.

''It looks like interest rates around the world may have peaked and that would be good news for the stock markets. Now the big question still is whether there will be war in the Gulf,'' the analyst said.

In Singapore, stocks closed lower in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which slipped 3.67 points Friday, eased 3.90 points to 1,110.03. The broader-based All Singapore Index dipped 1.02 points to 311.34.

An estimated 22.2 million shares changed hands, compared with 32.7 million shares Friday.

Analysts said market was very weak due to lack of buying interest with most investors on the sidelines.

Despite firmer stocks in Tokyo, the Singapore market remained featureless and lackluster, one local market watcher said.

Analysts said the market would remain weak unless there was some favorable

news to stimulate it.

On the trading floor, Genting Berhad paced the advancing issues followed by IJM Corp. Berhad and Overseas Chinese Banking Corp. foreign shares.

Hotel Negara led the declining issues followed by Kinta Kellas and Singapore Airlines.

In Bangkok, stocks closed higher in moderate trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange with local investors taking a wait-and-see attitude towards domestic political developments.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index added 7.11 points to 680.09.

Volume was around 1.7 billion shares, compared with 1.2 billion shares Friday.

Advances led declines 104 to 36. The best-performing sectors were banking, finance, and commerce.

Analysts said trading activity eased because there was no good news about the local government, as well as no further developments in the Gulf.

In Australia, stocks edged slightly higher in light trading on the Sydney Sharemarket with investors doing their best to chart a course between budget uncertainty in the United States and local hopes of interest rate cuts.

The All Ordinaries Index, which lost 11.7 points Friday, added 12.6 points to 1,369.4. The All Industrials index rose 22.0 points to 2,039.3 and the All Resources Index added 5.6 points to 874.4.

Turnover was about 49.3 million shares, compared with 80.7 million shares Friday.

Analysts said the rejection Friday of the U.S. budget continued to sour sentiment.

On the trading floor, banks did best. ANZ Bank rose 10 cents to $4.00 and NAB Bank added 8 cents to $5.98.

Elsewhere, News Corp. rose 30 cents to $6.70, Elders IXL gained 3 cents to $1.23, Adsteam fell 7 cents to $2.35 and TNT lost 5 cents to $1.69.

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#90281u0590 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 8) UPI - Two Americans- Joseph Murray of Boston and E. Donnall Thomas of Seattle- were awarded the 1990 Nobel prize in medicine today. The Karolinska Institute of Stockholm says the two men made discoveries that have

helped allow organ transplants in humans.

The House kept late hours and this morning passed a budget plan. The plan cuts Medicare by less than the plan worked out by administration and congressional negotiators. Senate debate is expected later today.

Sources say at least seven Palestinians were killed and more than 50 suffered injuries today in the worst violence in Jerusalem's Old City since the start of the Palestinian uprising nearly three years ago. The casualties apparently were the result of clashes between stone-throwing Arabs and Israeli police.

The shuttle Discovery astronauts began their workday this morning by collecting data on the ozone layer around Earth. Also today, the astronauts will check on 16 rats carried into space as part of a medical experiment.

Retail gasoline prices increased nearly six cents a gallon in the past two weeks. The Lundberg Survey says the average price was one dollar 44 cents. The price includes taxes.

A civil trial of a white supremacist opens in Portland, Oregon, today. The supremacist is accused of responsibility in the death of a black because he allegedly recruited the skinheads who beat the man to death.

Thunderstorms erupted last night on the leading edge of a cold front moving into north Texas. Rain and snow are expected in the northwest Texas Panhandle. The South was hot with a record 86 in Cape Hatteras, North Carolina.

Three people died today when a landslide set off by a typhoon covered their bus in Japan. Typhoon Hattie hit the island of Kyushu with winds of 65 miles an hour. Six people were hurt by flying glass when trees fell on a train.

South Korean President Roh Tae-woo today fired two top officials, including the defense minister. They were accused of allowing illegal spying on more than 13-hundred people.

Colonel Gregorio Honasan, a rebel Philippines leader, says rebels are now moving into ''phase two'' of their plan against the government. Honasan says they will ''steadily'' wear the government down, but he did not say how.

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#90281u0593 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 8) UPI - A fire destroyed more than 500 buildings yesterday in Srinagar in northern India. Police sources say paramilitary troops started the fire. But a government official says militants were responsible. A firefighter was shot and killed.

Five or six masked bandits overpowered six guards yesterday and stole nearly

two-Million dollars in Anzio, Italy. Police say the money was stolen from an armored truck and included weekend revenue from a department store chain.

Israel is giving its citizens gas masks as a precaution against a chemical attack. Masks have been handed out in three towns. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has threatened attacks on several targets, including Israel.

Police on Long Island are holding a man and a grave digger who allegedly committed a murder for 500 dollars. They say the victim was the boyfriend of the man's former girlfriend.

Greenpeace members say Soviet sailors boarded a Greenpeace ship north of the Arctic Circle today. The ship carrying anti-nuclear activists was in a weapons test site.

Thousands of Moscow office workers spent their day off yesterday in countryside fields harvesting potatoes. With winter near, the potatoes must be picked soon. State farm workers are unable to harvest the crop.

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#90281u0635 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

LYON, FRANCE (OCT. 8) UPI - Calm returned to the Lyon suburb of Vaulx-en-Velin Monday following a weekend of rioting by hundreds of young people upset at the death of a 21-year old motorcyclist in a collision with a police car.

Some 500 demonstrators burned automobiles and storefronts in the largely immigrant suburb of 50,000 persons, authorities said. The incident brought to the surface the underlying tensions in many poor French suburbs with large minority populations.

Seven firefighters, four journalists and an unknown number of other persons were injured during the disturbances, police said.

The rioting began Saturday afternoon after the motorcycle on which Tomas Claudio, 21, was a passenger hit a police car, throwing Claudio to the pavement and killing him, according to the police version of events.

The driver of the motorcycle, Laurent Assebille, 20, was not seriously hurt.

Police said Claudio was not wearing a helmet, an assertion challenged by friends of the victim, who say the police car deliberately cut in front of the motorcycle, causing the accident.

Prime Minister Michel Rocard on Monday promised a complete investigation of the incident.

Throughout Saturday and Sunday, young demonstrators burned cars and

storefronts and threw rocks at tough anti-riot police, who responded with tear gas cannisters. Seven firefighters were injured while attempting to put out flames in stores set ablaze in a commercial center, authorities said.

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#90281u0659 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 8) UPI - The 1990 Nobel Prize for Medicine goes to two Americans... Jospeh Murray of Boston and E. Donnall Thomas of Seattle. The Karolinska Institute of Stockholm, Sweden, today jointly awarded the prize to Murray for his discovery of how to counter the rejection of a transplanted heart... and to Thomas for diminishing severe reactions to transplants.

The White House says it is reviewing a new budget package and awaiting a Senate vote on it today. The House this morning passed the plan which would give a House committee power to ease Medicare cuts and alter a previously defeated tax plan. Medicare cuts proposed in the new proposal are about one-third less than in a plan rejected last week by Congress.

Sources report that at least seven Palestinians were killed today in clashes in Jerusalem's Old City. It's the worst violence there since the Palestinian uprising broke out three years ago. A hospital spokesman says more than 50 Palestinians were wounded. .

Army Radio reports that at least two Jews at the nearby Western Wall and two policemen were also wounded. Moslems threw stones from the Temple Mount after calls to ''protect'' the site against attempts to build a Jewish Temple.

Astronauts aboard the space shuttle Discovery are busy this morning collecting information to help scientists monitor Earth's fragile ozone layer. More than three hours after they awoke today, the crew opened the lid on the Shuttle Solar Backscatter Ultraviolet experiment in the orbiter's open payload bay to measure ultraviolet radiation. Yesterday, the astronauts filmed burning material inside a two-foot-long chamber to see how a fire can develop accidentally in space.

A full assembly of the Soviet Communist Party leadership opened today in Moscow with the powerful first secretaries of regions and republics in attendance. Although the Party abandoned its monopoly on power in February... it is still the most powerful organized force in the country.

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#90281u0668 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 8) UPI - Visits by Arab diplomats are giving a hint of the changing alliances in the Middle East. An Egyptian delegation arrived in Damascus, Syria yesterday to talk about co-ordinating efforts to oust Iraq from Kuwait. Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat met in Jordan with King

Hussein.

The nation's prison population has doubled in the last 10 years. The Justice Department reports that three-quarters of a Million Americans are living behind bars. The new statistics show that the number of prisoners per capita in the United States has reached its highest level ever.

Ruling communists in the Yugoslavian republic of Serbia have suspended talks with the Yugoslavia government on resolving ethnic tensions in Kosovo. The communists yesterday said they were angry about meetings between senior federal officials and leaders of Kosovo province's ethnic Albanian majority.

A Soviet newspaper reports that more than half of the people in the Soviet Union live below the government's official poverty level. The official newspaper of the country's state-run trade unions... said five years of perestroika have NOT brought any change.

McDonald's opened its first fast-food restaurant in China today with a lion dance. A chain of 20 McDonald's employees held back hundreds of eager customers in the city of Shenzhen. A Big Mac sold for the equivalent of one-dollar 20-cents in a country with a average per capita income of 270 dollars.

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#90281u0671 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) UPI - Two Marine UH-1N helicopters with eight crewmen aboard were reported missing Monday in the North Arabian Sea, a Navy spokesman said.

''Two UH-1N Huey helicopters conducting routine night helicopter operations from the amphibious assault ship USS Okinawa in the North Arabian Sea are reported missing, following loss of communications and radar contact,'' Navy Lt. Cmdr. Joe March said.

March said voice contact with the two helicopters, each with a crew of four, was lost at 5:13 a.m. local time and that search and rescue efforts are currently under way.

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#90281u0716 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 8) UPI - Two Americans whose discoveries allowed widespread use of transplants won the Nobel prize in medicine today. They are Joseph Murray of Boston and E. Donnall Thomas of Seattle. Murray pioneered kidney transplants. The Nobel committee says his work led to liver, pancreas and heart transplants. Thomas transplanted bone marrow.

The Navy says two Marine helicopters are reported missing in the North Arabian Sea. The helicopters had eight crew members aboard. A spokesman says the helicopters were conducting night operations from the amphibious assault ship U-S-S Okinawa. He said they were reported missing after voice and radar contact was lost. Search operations have begun. The Senate meets this afternoon to consider a budget plan crafted by House Democrats and passed by the House early this morning. The bill gives a House committee power to restore 18-BILLION dollars in Medicare spending. The committee also gets authority over taxes. Another bill passed by the House and going to the Senate allows government spending to end a shutdown of government services.

A Lebanese newspaper says the release of British hostages in Lebanon is only a matter of time. Technical arrangements for freeing the three hostages are completed. The British held captive are Terry Waite, John McCarthy and Jack Mann. The report follows speculation that some of all of them would be set free. 12 Westerners are hostages in Lebaon, including six Americans.

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#90281u0728 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 8) UPI - Jerusalem's Old City had its worst violence in nearly three years today. Palestinian sources and hospital officials say as many as 17 Palestinians were killed, apparently in fighting between Arabs throwing stones and Israeli police. Hospitals say more than 100 were wounded. The trouble started after Moslem leaders urged followers to protect an Islamic holy site from a Jewish fringe group.

Hundreds of angry young people rioted during the weekend in a suburb of the French city of Lyon. Police say the rioters were upset at the death of a 21-year-old motorcyclist they say was killed by police. Friends of the victim say he was killed when a police car deliberately cut in front of the motorcycle. Several people were injured during the riot. Some 500 young demonstrators burned automobiles and stores.

A spy scandal in South Korea has led to the firing of two top officials. President Roh Tae-woo fired his defense official and the general heading the Defense Security Command. Last week, a private who deserted from the army charged that the two illegally spied on 13-hundred civilians. He said the spying targets included politicians, lawyers, professors, labor, church and civic leaders and journalists.

Chrysler is next for the United Auto Workers. The workers tentatively settled yesterday with Ford. The union says the three-year contract is similar to one at G-M. Ford is believed to have agreed to a three percent pay raise the first year and three percent lump sum payments the last two years. Chrysler executives have said they canNOT afford a contract like the one at G-M.

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#90281u0778 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (OCT. 8) UPI - Ichiro Isoda, chairman of Japan's most aggressive bank, Sumitomo Bank, resigned because one of his branch managers went a little too far.

Isoda, 77, announced his resignation in a surprise news conference Sunday following the arrest Friday of Akinori Yamashita, former manager of a Sumitomo branch in Yokohama, on charges that he arranged illegal loans to a stock speculator.

Sumitomo, Japan's most profitable bank and the world's third-largest, was led on a path of aggressive expansion by Isoda for more than a decade. Isoda had served as the bank's president from 1977 to 1983, when he became chairman.

The arrest of Yamashita drew the bank into the nation's biggest insider trading scandal, revolving around Mitsuhiro Kotani, a stock speculator who was arrested July 19 on charges of stock manipulation in connection with his takeover of Kokusai Kogyo Co.

Yamashita allegedly arranged private loans from wealthy customers to Kotani to fund his stock purchases. Yamashita's role violated Japanese law governing bank managers' activities, police charged.

A Sumitomo spokesman said Yamashita acted on his own, but explained that Isoda felt ''general responsibility'' for the branch manager's actions.

Yamashita left Sumitomo at the end of September for ''personal reasons,'' the spokesman said on condition of anonymity.

Sumitomo was conducting an internal investigation to prevent a recurrence, he added.

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#90281u0807 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
VIENNA (OCT. 8) UPI - Socialist Chancellor Franz Vranitzky began negotiations on forming a new government Monday following his party's decisive victory in weekend parliamentary elections.

Party leaders were optimistic for a renewal of the ''great coalition'' between the Socialists and the conservative People's Party, which has governed Austria since 1986, despite speculation that the smaller party would go into opposition after suffering heavy losses in Sunday's polls.

The Socialists won 81 seats, a net gain of one, to remain the largest party in the 183-member National Assembly. The People's Party lost 17 of its 77 seats in the party's worst performance since its founding in 1945.

Perhaps the most significant development in the election was the strong showing of the right-wing Freedom Party, which nearly doubled its representation in parliament by winning 33 seats. The environmentalist Greens increased their holdings by one mandate, for a total of nine.

Vranitzky, prior to meetings Monday with People's Party leaders, again ruled out a coalition with the Freedomites. Socialist leaders have said the right-wing party is unacceptable because some of its members have shown pan-German nationalistic tendencies.

People's Party leader Josef Riegler, the current vice chancellor, said the party would study the Socialists' offer but would not commit itself to renewing the coalition. In remarks late Sunday, he said his party had been unfairly associated with the scandals and mistakes of the Socialist party, the senior coalition partner.

If the Socialists are unable to form a government, it may fall to the People's Party to try to form a coalition with the Freedom Party, a move that would represent a dramatic shift to the right for Austria.

The Socialists' surprisingly strong showing on Sunday was largely attributed to the popularity of Vranitzky, who has managed to remain untainted by a series of financial scandals involving other party leaders.

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#90281u0825 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

BAALBECK, LEBANON (OCT. 8) UPI - Doctors inspected three British hostages in secret hideouts as part of final preparations for the captives' release, ranking Moslem sources said Monday.

The key Shiite sources said that Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite, John McCarthy and a third British hostage whom they failed to mention by name were seen Sunday by doctors in secret places where they have been held.

''Mr. Waite, McCarthy and another kidnapped Briton were inspected by doctors yesterday and some of them were allowed to shave,'' said a senior source, who requested anonymity.

The sources did not say where the captives were being held, nor did they specify the date of the release.

Earlier reports had suggested that some of the 12 Western hostages were being held by the pro-Iranian Hezbollah group in secret places either in southern Beirut or in the vicinity of the ancient town of Baalbeck, 52 miles east of the Lebanese capital.

The pro-Syrian As-Safir newspaper reported that technical arrangements to free British hostages had been completed and the release was a matter of time.

Quoting unidentified diplomatic sources, As-Safir said, ''The file of Western hostages would be opened this month. ... A number of captives would be freed in case present contacts regarding this file were completed.''

As-Safir, well-connected to Syrian key headquarters, did not specify the parties involved in the behind-the-scene efforts to free the hostages.

Waite, McCarthy and Briton Jack Mann are held among 12 foreign captives by fundamentalists believed affiliated with Iran.

"Final measures concerning a deal to release British hostages were completed,' As-Safir said, adding, ''The release would take place at the right time.''

Among the kidnapped foreigners there are six U.S. hostages held in secret hideouts in Lebanon: Terry Anderson, Thomas Sutherland, Joseph Cicippio, Edward Tracy, Alann Steen and Jesse Turner.

Political sources reported that Syria had pledged to exert fresh efforts with Iran to try to release the Americans during recent talks in Damascus with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker.

Both Syria and Iran are powerbrokers in Lebanon. Damascus has some 35,000 troops deployed on two-thirds of the country's territory, while Tehran enjoys wide influence on thousands of Shiite Moslem fundamentalists.

As-Safir claimed that the hostages' plight is linked to efforts to end a two-year mutiny by Christian defiant Gen. Michel Aoun and a government strategy to spread its authority.

''The hostage issue seems linked to the government plan to establish greater Beirut,'' As-Safir said.

The ''greater Beirut'' plan was a much-trumpeted government strategy to end militia presence in and around Beirut.

Hezbollah, an Iranian-funded group, was believed holding some or all foreign hostages in the southern suburbs of the capital.

Some former hostages had reported that they were held in apartment buildings in the teeming Shiite suburban region where Hezbollah maintains its barracks.

As-Safir said it received information that four German hostages were being held, contradicting media reports that only two Germans remained held captive. West Germans Thomas Kemptner and Henrich Struebig are known to be held in clandestine places in Lebanon.

As-Safir did not give names of the two missing Germans, but analysts speculated that the newspaper hinted at German relief workers Petra Schnitzler and Marcus Quint who were kidnapped in the southern port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut, last year but were rerported to have been released.

Palestinian sources in Sidon, who requested anonymity, said Monday that Quint was believed to be back home, while Schnitzler has married a Lebanese and lives in Sidon.

Meanwhile, Sheikh Mohammed Hussein Fadlallah, the mentor of Hezbollah, was quoted by the London Independent newspaper as calling on the abductors of the foreigners to separate between the captives' plight and the issue of detained Arabs in Israel and southern Lebanon.

Analysts noted that Fadlallah's declaration constituted a positive gesture that would put more weight on efforts to free foreign hostages.

Some of the kidnappers' main demands were the release of more than 300 Arabs held in Israel and in the Israeli-proclaimed ''security zone'' in southern Lebanon.

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#90281u0833 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 8) UPI - Hospitals in east Jersusalem say as many as 17 people have died in the worst violence in the Old City in nearly three years. Police fired rubber bullets and then apparently live ammunition at Arabs demonstrating at Temple Mount, the third holiest religious site in Islam. They were protesting plans of a fringe Jewish group trying to lay the cornerstone for a Third Jewish Temple.

The Navy is searching in the North Arabian Sea for eight crewmen aboard two Marine helicopters that disappeared during night operations. Navy Lieutenant Commander Joe March says radar and voice contact was lost with the UN-IN choppers at about five-13 in the morning. Each helicopter carries a crew of four. The helicopters were attached to the amphibious assault ship U-S-S Okinawa.

The Senate must now decide what to do with the latest edition of Washington's favorite political hot potato- the budget. The House passed a stop-gap spending bill 305-105 early this morning. It provides just enough money to keep the government operating through Saturday, hopefully enough time to allow for passage of a budget compromise that will work. House Republicans warn that President Bush may veto the temporary spending measure because it does NOT contain items he wants. .

Government offices are closed for the Columbus Day holiday. The question now

is when will they reopen. The new budget agreement passed by House Democrats early this morning apparently doesN'T need approval by a majority of both parties to win passage. It cuts 500-BILLION dollars from budgets over the next five years but gives the Democrat- controlled House Ways and Means Committee more power on changing taxes.

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#90281u0837 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

ULM, GERMANY (OCT. 8) UPI - German auto producer Karl Kaessbohrer Fahrzeugwerke GmbH increased group sales in the first nine months this year by 7.8 percent to $755 million, a company spokesman said Monday.

Parent company revenue jumped 7.9 percent to $630 million in the January-September period compared with the first nine months last year, the spokesman said.

The truck and bus producer expects annual group sales to rise to $1.1 billion from $1.05 billion in 1989, he said.

Annual sales for the parent firm is expected to climb to $903 million after from $840 million last year.

In the autobus manufacturing sector, Kaessbohrer snatched a 27.4- percent market share in the first eight months, second after Daimler's Mercedes-Benz company with a 35-percent share, the company spokesman said.

He said the family business plans to invest $93.5 million in the next two years to expand its production capacities.

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#90281u0849 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 8) UPI - Two Americans are winners of the 1990 Nobel Prize in medicine. Sweden's Karolinska Institute today announced it is jointly awarding the 700-thousand dollar prize to Joseph Murray of Boston and E-Donnall Thomas of Seattle for their discoveries concerning organ and cell transplants in the treatment of human disease. The work of Murrary and Thomas, both in their 70's opened the way for wide use of life-saving transplants. They are the 65th and 66th Americans to receive the Nobel Prize in medicine.

The Golden Arches are now competing for attention with the Great Wall of China. McDonald's opened its first fast-food restaurant inside China today in the city of Shenzhen, across the border from Hong Kong. The franchise opened its doors amid the popping of firecrackers and gyrations of lion dancers as about 20 employees held back a big crowd. A Big Mac costs about one dollar 20 cents in China, where the per capital income of the more than one-BILLION residents is 270 dollars a year.

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#90281u0861 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
HOUSTON (OCT. 8) UPI - Both domestic and offshore drilling increased last week, two energy surveys showed Monday.

The U.S. rotary rig count rose from 1,047 rigs to 1,064 last week compared with 960 rigs working during the same period one year ago.

Offshore Data Services said marine drilling increased slightly with one more rig working last week in the Gulf of Mexico. A total of 141 rigs worked out of a fleet of 212 for a utilization rate of 66.5 percent.

Another rig also went to work in European waters, pushing the utilization rate there to 94.2 percent with 130 rigs under contract out of 138 available. Those increases were partially offset by a slight decline in offshore activity in other parts of the world.

Other relevant rig counts included Texas, 360 last week, 356 the week before and 279 the same week a year ago; Louisiana, 142, 138 and 142; New Mexico, 61, 58 and 34; Oklahoma, 130, 124 and 133; Canada, 113, 102 and 122.

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(OCT. 8) UPI - NFL SCORING SUMMARIES:

TAMPA BAY	0	3	7	0--10
DALLAS	7	0	0	7--14

FIRST QUARTER
Dal-Novacek 12 pass from Aikman (Willis kick), 11:32

SECOND QUARTER
TB-FG Christie 33, 0:03.

THIRD QUARTER
TB-Anderson 58 pass from Testaverde (Christie kick), 12:25.

FOURTH QUARTER
Dal-Smith 14 run (Willis kick), 0:52

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	TB	Dal
First downs	12	19
Rushes-yards	25--107	33--155

Passing yards	164	149
Sacked-yards lost	4--30	3--24
3rd down eff.	4--11--36.0	6--13--46.0
4th down eff.	0--1--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	13--21--0	17--24--1
Punts	6--44.3	6--44.0
Punt returns-yds	2--19	3--17
KO returns-yds	2--62	2--50
Fumbles-lost	2--1	1--0
Penalties-yards	4--30	2--15
Time of possessin	26:08	33:52

SAN FRANCISCO	0	7	7	10--24
HOUSTON	14	0	7	0--21

FIRST QUARTER
Hou-Moon 1 run (Zendejas kick), 7:28
Hou-Hill 30 pass from Moon (Zendejas kick), 9:45

SECOND QUARTER
SF-Rice 6 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 5:40

THIRD QUARTER
SF-Taylor 78 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 4:56
Hou-Jeffires 18 pass from Moon (Zendejas kick), 10:19

FOURTH QUARTER
SF-FG Cofer 23, 3:24
SF-Taylor 46 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 8:29

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	SF	Hou
First downs	18	17
Rushes-yards	25--83	20--86
Passing yards	300	170
Sacked-yards lost	2--18	3--21
3rd down eff	6--12--50.0	4--12--33.3
4th down eff	0--0--0	1--2--50.0
Passes	20--28--1	18--33--0
Punts	4--40.3	6--49.2
Punt returns-yds	4--13	1--0
KO returns-yds	3--72	3--57
Fumbles-lost	2--1	3--1
Penalties-yards	8--40	6--51
Time of possessin	31:25	28:35

LOS ANGELES	7	3	7	7--24

BUFFALO 0 7 7 24--38

FIRST QUARTER
LA-Gault 11 yard pass from Schroeder (Jaeger kick), 11:25

SECOND QUARTER
Buf-Reed 13 pass from Kelly (Norwood kick), 10:51
LA-FG Jaeger 19, 15:00

THIRD QUARTER
LA-Allen 1 run (Jaeger kick), 9:16
Buf-McKeller 15 pass from Kelly (Norwood kick), 13:03

FOURTH QUARTER
LA-Smith 4 pass from Schroeder (Jaeger kick), 4:25
Buf-Lofton 42 pass from Kelly (Norwood kick), 6:23
Buf-Williams returns blocked punt caused by
Tasker for 38 yards (Norwood kick), 8:08
Buf-FG Norwood 23, 10:53
Buf-Odomes 49 run after forcing Gault to fumble (Norwood kick), 12:26

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	LA	Buf
First downs	22	14
Rushes-yards	36--122	22--98
Passing yards	225	182
Sacked-yards lost	2--19	0--0
3rd down eff.	8--13--61.0	3--8--38.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	29--17--1	22--13--2
Punts	3--19.3	3--40.0
Punt returns-yds	2--21	0--0
KO returns-yds	7--138	3--53
Fumbles-lost	4--3	0--0
Penalties-yards	7-55	6--32
Time of posession	39:14	20:46

CINCINNATI 14 7 7 3 3--34
LA Rams 0 7 14 10 0--31

FIRST QUARTER
Cin-Brooks 27 pass from Esiason (Breech kick), 7:35
Cin-Brooks 9 pass from Esiason (Breech kick), 12:53

SECOND QUARTER
Cin-Ball 1 run (Breech kick), 5:29
LA Rams-Gary 2 run (Lansford kick), 14:24

THIRD QUARTER
LA Rams-Anderson 55 pass from Everett (Lansford kick), 4:20
Cin-H. Green 14 pass from Esiason (Breech kick), 9:40
LA Rams-D. Johnson 9 pass from Everett (Lansford kick), 13:53

FOURTH QUARTER
LA Rams-Gary 1 run (Lansford kick), 2:10
Cin-FG Breech 40, 6:17
LA Rams-FG Lansford 40, 13:24

OVERTIME
Cin-FG Breech 44, 11:56

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	Cinn	Rams
First downs	26	26
Rushes-yards	28--99	26--113
Passing yards	464	364
Sacked-yards lost	1--7	2--8
3rd down eff.	9--15--60.0	4--13--31.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	1--2--50.0
Passes	30--44--0	25--46--0
Punts	4--40.5	6--42.0
Punt returns-yds	2--13	4--37
KO returns-yds	6--118	3--52
Fumbles-lost	4--2	1--1
Penalties-yards	10--69	6--45
Time of possessin	39:10	32:46

GREEN BAY	3	3	0	7	13
CHICAGO	7	3	7	10	27

FIRST QUARTER
GB-FG Jacke 38, 4:00
Chi-Anderson 3 run (Butler kick), 14:42

SECOND QUARTER
GB-FG Jacke 27, 11:41
Chi-FG Butler 50, 14:18

THIRD QUARTER
Chi-Tomczak 6 run (Butler kick), 13:59

FOURTH QUARTER
GB-Sharpe 76 pass from Majkowski (Jacke kick), 0:11
Chi-FG Butler 51, 3:13

Chi-Boso 2 pass from Tomczak (Butler kick), 12:04

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	GB	Chi
First downs	10	21
Rushes-yards	15--32	42--202
Passing yards	205	151
Sacked-yards lost	1--6	3--14
3rd down eff.	3-13--23.0	5-14--36.0
4th down eff.	0-0--00.0	0-1--00.0
Passes	12--39--2	15--28--1
Punts	7--36.3	5--36.2
Punt returns-yds	2--18	3--36
KO returns-yds	4--54	2--29
Fumbles-lost	4--1	1--1
Penalties-yards	5--45	9--55
Time of possession	22:13	37:47

DETROIT	3	7	7	17	--34
MINNESOTA	6	14	0	7	--27

FIRST QUARTER
Minn-FG Igwebuike 36, 2:41
Det- FG Murray 32, 7:39
Minn- FG Igwebuike 48, 12:59

SECOND QUARTER
Det-Sanders 22 pass from Gagliano (Murray kick), 1:52
Minn-Jones 11 pass from Gannon (Igwebuike kick), 6:27
Minn-A. Carter 8 pass from Gannon (Igwebuike kick), 14:32

THIRD QUARTER
Det-Johnson 5 pass from Gagliano (Murray kick), 10:24

FOURTH QUARTER
Det-FG Murray 23, :02
Det-Greer 16 pass from Gagliano (Murray kick), 7:31
Det-Sanders 1 run (Murray kick), 10:14
Minn-Walker 2 run (Igwebuike kick), 13:34.

	Det	Minn
First downs	24	22
Rushes-yards	26-104	28-141
Passing yards	279	141
Sacked-yards lost	3-20	5-28
3rd down eff.	4--9--44	8--14--57
4th down eff.	0-1--0	0-1--0

Passes	31-16-2	35-23-1
Punts	2-34.5	3-47.3
Punt returns-yds	3-77	1-10
KO rturns-yards	4-74	4-71
Fumbles-lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties-yards	7-47	7-29
Time of possession	26:39	33:21

NY JETS	3	10	0	3	--16
MIAMI	0	0	13	7	--20

FIRST QUARTER
NYJ-FG Leahy 25, 8:44

SECOND QUARTER
NYJ-Moore 9 pass from O'Brien (Leahy kick), 3:26
NYJ-FG Leahy 19, 13:03

THIRD QUARTER
Mia-Logan 11 run (pass failed) 4:04
Mia-Duper 69 pass from Marino (Stoyanovich kick), 7:37

FOURTH QUARTER
NYJ-FG Leahy 30, 8:26
Mia-Duper 13 pass from Marino (Stoyanovich kick), 1:03

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	NYJ	Mia
First downs	22	20
Rushes-yards	34--114	19-72
Passing yards	228	252
Sacked-yards lost	4--28	0--00
3rd down eff.	9--16--56.0	6--11--54.0
4th down eff.	0--1--00.0	1--1--100.0
Passes	20--30--0	19--38--0
Punts	3--39.0	4-41.5
Punt returns-yds	2--27	2--40
KO returns-yds	3--64	3--75
Fumbles-lost	1--0	4--0
Penalties-yards	5--60	4--30
Time of possessin	36:53	23:07

Seattle	13	6	0	14-33
New England	3	7	7	3-20

FIRST QUARTER
Sea-Fenner 5 run (kick failed), 2:14.

Sea-Kane 20 pass from Krieg (Johnson kick), 6:09.
NE-FG Staurovsky 53, 11:57.

SECOND QUARTER
Sea-FG Johnson 31, 3:48.
Sea-FG Johnson 19, 13:08
NE-B. Williams 45 fumble return (Staurovsky kick), 14:38.

THIRD QUARTER
NE-Dykes 35 pass from Wilson (Staurovsky kick), 3:52.

FOURTH QUARTER
NE-FG Staurovsky 48, 2:07
Sea-Chadwick 45 pass from Krieg (Johnson kick), 12:23
Sea-Fenner 5 run (Johnson kick), 12:47

A-39,735

	Sea	NE
First downs	21	16
Rushes-yards	35--111	19-- 61
Passing yards	227	213
Sacks, yards lost	3--27	2--14
3rd down eff.	7--13--54.0	3--10--30.0
Passes	17--25--1	20--33--2
Punts	3--44.0	4--48.3
Punt returns-yds	3--29	1-- 5
KO returns-yds	3--57	4--72
Fumbles-lost	2--1	4--3
Penalties-yards	2--15	8--57
Time of possessin	35:18	24:42

San Diego	7	0	7	0	14
Pittsburgh	3	14	7	12	36

FIRST QUARTER
Pit-FG Anderson 45, 6:04
SD-Plummer 2 pass from Tolliver (Carney kick), 10:00

SECOND QUARTER
Pit-Green 8 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), :08
Pit-Green 1 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 10:21

THIRD QUARTER
Pit-Williams 2 run (Anderson kick), 3:06
SD-Les Miller recovers fumble in end zone (Carney kick), 10:08

FOURTH QUARTER

Pit-Safety, Stowe blocks punt out of end zone, 3:13
Pit-FG Anderson 45, 7:58
Pit-Foster 2 run (Anderson kick), 13:54.

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	SD	Pitt
First downs	14	25
Rushes-yards	16--92	40--185
Passing yards	96	191
Sacked-yards lost	3--25	2--9
3rd down eff.	3-9-33.312-16-75.0	
4th down eff.	0--2--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	11--29--3	18--25--0
Punts	4--26.0	2--36.5
Punt returns-yds	0--00	1--00
KO returns-yds	4--122	3--46
Fumbles-lost	1--0	2--1
Penalties-yards	5--35	7--39
Time of possession	20:53	39:07

NEW ORLEANS	7	10	7	3--27
ATLANTA	7	7	7	7--28

FIRST QUARTER
Atl-Miller 1 run (Davis kick), 6:54
NO-Turner 68 pass from Fourcade (Andersen kick), 8:32

SECOND QUARTER
Atl-Collins 9 pass from Miller (Davis kick), 1:46
NO-Fourcade 5 run (Andersen kick), 10:04
NO-FG Andersen 46, 14:45

THIRD QUARTER
Atl-Rison 20 pass from Miller (Davis kick), 8:59
NO-Brenner 3 pass from Fourcade (Andersen kick), 11:37

FOURTH QUARTER
NO-FG Andersen 23, 12:02
Atl-Rison 3 pass from Miller (Davis kick), 13:27

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	NO	Atla
First downs	15	26
Rushes-yards	26--75	32--91
Passing yards	218	366
Sacked-yards lost	3--17	0--0
3rd Down Effec.	3-10-30	7-13-54

4th Down Effec.	1-2-50	3-3-100
Passes	10-17-0	23-44-1
Punts	3--42.7	1--21.0
Punt return-yds	0--0	0--0
KO return-yds	3--71	2--36
Fumbles-lost	2--2	2--1
Penalties-yards	10--65	7--40
Time of possession	25:04	34:56

KANSAS CITY	10	6	3	0	-19
INDIANAPOLIS	0	10	0	13	-23

FIRST QUARTER
KC-FG Lowery 37, 9:16.
KC-R. Thomas 21 pass from DeBerg (Lowery kick), 12:20.

SECOND QUARTER
KC-FG Lowery 39, 4:51.
Ind-FG Biasucci 38, 11:57.
Ind-Bentley 9 pass from Trudeau (Biasucci kick), 13:13.
KC-FG Lowery 44, 15:00.

THIRD QUARTER
KC-FG Lowery 35, 11:33.

FOURTH QUARTER
Ind-FG Biasucci 21, 2:29.
Ind-Bentley 10 run (Biasucci kick), 9:07.
Ind-FG Biasucci 18, 14:37.

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	KC	Ind
First downs	13	16
Rushes-yards	26-78	21-88
Passing yards	212	205
Sacked-yards lost	4-35	7-62
3rd down eff.	5-16-31	3-12-25
4th down eff.	1-1-100	0-0-0
Passes	16-36-3	28-18-2
Punts	4-45.5	4-42.5
Punt returns-yds	3-5	4-10
KO returns-yds	4-80	5-99
Fumbles-lost	1-1	3-1
Penalties-yards	13-86	8-60
Time of possession	29:14	30:46

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(OCT. 8) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

New Jersey	2	1	1-4
Pittsburgh	1	2	4-7

First period-1, New Jersey, Poddubny 2 (Shanahan, Morris), 0:51. 2, Pittsburgh Recchi 3, (Coffey, Cullen), pp, 8:29. 3, New Jersey, Ysebaert 1 (Skalde, Fetisov), 10:32.

Penalties-Daneyko, NJ, 2:39; Stewart, NJ, 2:52; Barrasso (served by Stevens), Pit, 2:52; Ysebaert, NJ, 7:02.

Second period-4, New Jersey, Kasatonov 1 (Shanahan, Morris), 8:50. 5, Pittsburgh, Coffey 2 (Cullen), 12:54. 6, Pittsburgh, Mullen 2 (Cullen, Stevens), pp, 18:39.

Penalties-Brown, NJ, 11:31; Barrasso (served by Stevens), Pit, 11:45; Dahlquist, Pit, 13:36; Ysebaert, NJ, 18:22; Daneyko, NJ, 19:17.

Third period-7, New Jersey, Stewart 1 (Driver), 4:31. 8, Pittsburgh, Trottier 1 (Brown, Tanti), 13:08. 9, Pittsburgh, Jagr 1 (Johnson, Stevens), 14:10. 10, Pittsburgh Cullen 1 (Recchi, Stevens), 14:23. 11, Pittsburgh, Trottier 2 (Mullen), 15:35.

Penalties-Boschman, NJ, 7:42; Shanahan, NJ, 10:53; Daneyko, double minor, misconduct, 19:30, Shanahan, NJ, major (fighting), 19:30, Stevens Pit, major (fighting,) 19:30.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 14-6-5-25. Pittsburgh 13-9-15-37.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 2-7. Pittsburgh 0-2.

Goaltenders-New Jersey, Terreri. Pittsburgh, Barrasso. A-16,164.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

Detroit	2	0	0-2
Philadelphia	1	4	2-7

First period-1, Detroit, Yzerman 1 (Sillinger, Gallant), 0:26. 2, Detroit, Habscheid 2 (Yzerman, McCrimmon), sh, 3:23. 3, Philadelphia, Kerr 1 (Latal), pp, 9:02.

Penalties-Zombo, Det, 2:41; Habscheid, Det 8:58; Eklund, Phi, 16:16; Habscheid Det, 18:40.

Second period-4, Philadelphia, LaCombe 1 (Hostak, Samuelsson), 1:28. 5, Philadelphia, Horacek 1 (Latal, Tocchet), 1:55. 6, Philadelphia, Berube 1 (unassisted), 3:23. 7, Philadelphia, Latal 1 (Tocchet, Chychrun), 9:08.

Penalites-Kocur, Det, major (fighting), 12:45; Latal, Phi, 12:45; Chychrun, Phi, major (fighting), 12:45; Probert, Det, 18:44.

Third period-8, Philadelphia, Murray 2 (Sutter, Tocchet), 4:31. 9, Philadelphia, Tocchet 1 (Craven, Sutter), pp, 19:07.

Penalties-Chychrun, Phi, 13:52; Kocur, Det, 16:38; Kocur, Det, 16:38; Probert, Det, 19:37; Mellanby, Phi, 19:37.

Shots on goal-Detroit 7-6-8-21. Philadelphia 11-12-11-34.

Power-play conversions-Detroit 3-0. Philadelphia 6-2.

Goaltenders-Detroit, Tim Cheveldae, Hanlon. Philadelphia, Wregget. A-17,382.

Referee-Lance Roberts.

Boston	1	1	3-5
Quebec	0	2	0-3

First period-1, Boston, Poulin 3 (unassisted), sh, 17:36.

Penalties-Vinclette, Que, 5:20; Neely, Bos, 5:59; Markwart, Bos, 9:22; Pedersen, Bos, dbl min (roughing), 12:10; McRae, Que, dbl min (roughing), 12:10; Wiemer, Bos, 16:27; Cirella, Que, 18:55.

Second period-2, Quebec, Finn 1 (McKegney, Hrkac), 10:00; 3, Boston, Wesley 1 (Wiemer, Walz), 12:40; 4, Quebec, Broten 1 (Hrkac, Lafleur), 18:58.

Penalties-Neely, Bos, Carter, Bos; Finn, Que; Sundin, Que, 7:29; Petit, Que, 7:38.

Third period-5, Boston, Burridge 1 (Wesley, Bourque), pp, 9:41; 6, Boston, Neely 3 (Wesley, Janney), 11:13; 7, Boston, B Sweeny 1 (Bourque), 19:38.

Penalties-Petit, Que, 9:32; Wiemer, Bos, 13:16.

Shots-on-goal-Boston 7-7-14-27. Quebec 9-5- 8-22.

Power-play conversions-Boston 4-1. Quebec 4-0.

Goaltenders-Boston, Moog. Quebec, Gordon. A-14,560

Referee- Paul Stewart

Toronto	0	1	1-2
Edmonton	2	1	0-3

First period-1, Edmonton, Murphy, 1 (Graves, Huddy), pp, 5:00. 2, Edmonton, Veukevoom 1 (unassisted) 7:11.

Penalties-Ramage, Tor, 3:13; Tikkanen, Edm, 19:39.

Second period-3, Toronto, Marois, 2 (Ramage, Damphousse), pp, 6:11. 4, Edonton Murphy, 2, (Graves, S.Smith) 13:23.

Penalties-S.Smith, Edm, 0:29; Huddy, Edm, 2:33; Linseman, Edm, 4:45; Thornton, Tor, 6:29; Richardson, Tor, 12:22; Ramage, Tor, 14:25; Curran, Tor, 16:16.

Third Period-5, Toronto, Olczyk, 1 (Osborne) 0:12.

Penalties-Graves, Edm, 1:15; Veukeboom, Edm, 9:22; Derehowsky, Tor, 10:45; Kordic, Tor, 14:16; Ramage, Tor, 18:55; S.Smith, Edm 18:55.

Shots-on-goal-Toronto 15-7-5-27. Edmonton 10-12-10-32.

Power-play conversions-Toronto 6-1. Edmonton 7-2.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Ransford. Toronto, Ing. A-16,284.

Referee: Kerry Fraser.

NY Islanders	3	1	0-4
Blackhawks	0	1	1-2

First Period-1, NY Islanders, Crossman, 1 (Lafontaine, King), pp, 5:25; 2, NY Islanders, McDonough, 1 (Berg), sh, 13:12; 3, NY Islanders, Lafontaine, 1 (Sutter), pp, 14:04.

Penalties-Baumgartner, NYI, 0:42; Presley, Chi, 0:42; Nylund, NYI, 0:54; Grimson, Chi, 4:24; Reekie, NYI, 11:27; Hudson, Chi, 13:43; Chelios, Chi, 16:15.

Second Period-4, NY Islanders, Volek 1, (Lafontaine, Sutter), pp, 13,27; 5, Chicago, Creighton 1 (Yawney, Roenick), pp, 16.58.

Penalties-Wood, NYI, 3:00; Manson, Chi, 3:00; Lafontaine, NYI, 6:08; Pilon, NYI, 8:24; Grimson, Chi, 11:51; Berg, NYI, major, (high sticking, game misconduct) 16:58.

Third Period-6, Chicago, Yawney 2, (Chelios, Murray), pp, 1:01.
Penalties-Manson, Chi, 3:15; McDonough, NYI, 5:59; Nylund, NYI, 13:49; Hudson,

Chi, 13.49.

Shots on goal-NY Islanders 10-2-10-22, Chicago 11-22-13-46.

Power-play conversions-New York 5-3, Chicago 8,2.

Goaltenders-NY Islanders, Jeff Hackett. Chicago, Jacques Cloutier. A-17,392.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

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(OCT. 8) UPI - Israeli security forces used live ammunition against stone-throwing Palestinian demonstrators in Jerusalem's Old City today. Hospital officials say as many as 20 Arabs were killed. The crowds were protesting moves by a fringe Jewish group to build a temple on the site of the third holiest shrine in Islam.

The Navy is searching the North Arabian Sea for two Marine helicopters missing with eight crewmen aboard. The Huey helicopters are from the amphibious assault ship U-S-S Okinawa. The choppers- each with a crew of four- disappeared while on routine night operations. .

In other developments in the Persian Gulf, British, U-S and Australian ships fired warning shots at an Iraqi cargo ship today when it failed to stop for inspection. The British Defense Ministry in London says British Royal Marines and U-S Coast Guard officers boarded the Iraqi ship, found it to be empty and allowed the vessel to proceed.

Chances are good there may be a presidential veto of the budget package that sailed through the House early this morning. The new deficit cutting packagechanges some of the inner workings but NOT the overall scope of a 500-BILLION-dollar package rejected by the House on Friday. It now goes to the Senate for possible action this afternoon.

Anglican Church Envoy Terry Waite is said to be one of three British hostages who may be freed after years of captivity in Lebanon. High- ranking Moslem sources report doctors have had a chance to examine at the three captives in secret hideouts ahead of their possible release.

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LORAIN, OHIO (OCT. 8) UPI - The Ford Motor Co. said Monday it would idle its plants in Lorain and Avon Lake next week because of a shortage of new orders, giving about 5,600 workers an unplanned vacation.

The Lorain assembly plant makes the Ford Thunderbird and Mercury Cougar cars, and is the final assembly point for full-size vans after their bodies are built and painted at the Ohio Truck Plant in Avon Lake about 10 miles away.

A Ford spokesman said there are about 2,700 hourly employees involved in the car production and about 2,900 hourly employees working on the vans.

The last time the two plants were idled was the week of Sept. 24, when car production was stopped completely and one shift of van production was eliminated for a week.

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(OCT. 8) UPI - Egyptian police arrested five more suspected members of the notorious Abu Nidal Palestinian guerrilla organization after pro-Iraqi groups threatened to unleash terrorist attacks against pro-Kuwaiti states, a Cairo newspaper said Monday.

The semi-official Egyptian daily Al Ahram said the five suspects had not been formally charged yet, but they were believed to have obtained arms and explosives from Islamic fundamentalists in upper Egypt.

Egyptian police said Friday they arrested at least 33 ''Iraqi and Palestinian terrorists'' who infiltrated the country with false papers. Also detained were an undisclosed number of Palestinians with maps and lists of terrorist targets in Egypt. Tourist resorts along the Red Sea were among the targets.

In military developments Monday, the Navy said it was looking for two Marine helicopters and eight crewmen missing in the North Arabian Sea. The helicopters were from the amphibious assault ship USS Okinawa.

British, U.S. and Australian ships fired warning shots at an Iraqi cargo ship that would not stop for inspection Monday, a Defense Ministry spokesman in London said. The vessel heeded the warning shots. The ship, found to be empty, was allowed to proceed.

In Libya, Moammar Gadhafi called on his ally Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait then declare war on any Western forces still in the Persian Gulf region.

''There is only one solution out of the crisis we find ourselves in: Iraq must leave Kuwait in accordance with the Libyan initiative,'' Gadhafi said in a speech on Libyan television.

''If after Iraq leaves Kuwait, the foreign forces continued to stay, then we have no alternative but to resist them. For then we would have the right to do so,'' Gadhafi said. ''This would mean an act of imperialism.''

But Gadhafi proposed only a partial Iraqi withdrawal, giving Saddam a ''disputed territory'' that would include strategic oil fields along the Iraq-Kuwait border.

Egypt strongly opposes Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and sent 15, 000 troops to Saudi Arabia to join the multinational military force against Iraq. But radical Palestinian groups in Iraq threatened to retaliate with terrorism against the United States and other pro-Kuwaiti nations should U.S.-led forces attack Iraq.

''Security police arrested another five Palestinians belonging to the Abu Nidal organization,'' Al Ahram said. ''Arms and explosives provided by (Egyptian Islamic) extremist organizations were also seized.''

Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat left Amman, Jordan, Monday after meeting Sunday with King Hussein to discuss the gulf crisis. Both leaders have taken a sympathetic stand toward Iraq.

Arafat told reporters in Amman that despite initial reservations, an international consensus now exists that the crisis is related to Middle Eastern problems as a whole, including the Arab-Israeli conflict.

''What was said to be impossible is emerging as a reality today,'' Arafat said.

The Egyptian opposition newspaper al-Wafd said authorities had denied Arafat permission to visit Cairo. The PLO leader reportedly was told he would have to change his views publicly on opposing the Iraqi invasion and apologize to the Arab world before he can come to Cairo.

In other developments, Kuwait's exiled housing minister, Yahya al Sumaid, was reported to have said in London Monday that the large Iraqi troop presence had throttled active resistance and Kuwaitis are only involved in passive resistance such as not cooperating with the occupation forces.

The Islamic Republic News Agency reported Monday that Iran's minister of defense, Akbar Torkan, was leading a delegation on an official visit to Beijing.

Also a Soviet airliner with some 100 Soviet oil technicians arrived in Moscow Monday from the Iraqi capital of Baghdad, Cairo Radio said. More Soviet planes were expected to continue the airlift, but it was unclear how many of the 5,000 Soviets in Iraq would eventually leave.

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(OCT. 8) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
AFA Protective Sys	Q	.35	12-14	11-30
Binks Mfg	Q	.30	10-31	10-18
Mark Twain Bncshs	Q	.22	11-9	10-19
Polaroid Corp Amer	Q	.15	12-29	11-30
VWR Corp	Q	.20	12-5	11-9
Wyle Laboratories	Q	.07	10-31	10-15

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.40-2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 136.625-139.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 42.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $260.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $459.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 298.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 8) UPI - Grain and soybean futures were higher at midmorning Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

The grain market was supported by export sales and harvest delays, although the early trading was rather choppy.

Weekend rain the probability of more rain through Tuesday over much of the Midwest limited the gains in corn and soybeans.

The sale of 355,000 tons of soybean meal to the Soviet Union late last week supported the soybean complex. Professional and commission house buying was countered by light commercial selling.

Corn rallied on the extended weather outlook calling for above-normal rainfall in the major production areas. Traders also expected the Soviets to be in the market for corn in the near future.

The lack of farmer selling contributed to the strength in both corn and soybeans.

Wheat was higher on spillover from the rest of the floor although the early volume was light.

Interior and Gulf basis levels were firm.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.30 3/4 up 2; ;Mar 2.39 1/2 up 1 3/4; May 2.45 1/4 up 1.

Soybeans Nov 6.23 3/4 up 6 3/4; Jan 6.37 3/4 up 6 1/4; Mar 6.49 3/4 up 5 3/4; May 6.59 1/2 up 6.

Wheat Dec 2.76 3/4 up 3; Mar 2.90 1/4 up 2 1/4; May 2.97 1/4 up 2 1/4.

Oats Dec 1.23 1/4 up 1 3/4; Mar 1.33 1/2 up 1 3/4; May 1.40 1/2 up 1 1/2.

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NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 8) UPI - School teachers returned to work Monday, ending a three-week strike with a new contract calling for a 7 percent pay raise over three years.

Many teachers opposed the agreement, however, because of a clause requiring their union to drop its drive to recall Orleans Parish School Board members. In return, the board promised not to take reprisals against union members for taking part in the strike.

Union officials had claimed they collected 10,000 signatures Saturday on petitions to recall two board members.

Some teachers also were upset because the raises won in the strike also will be extended to top administrators and principals with salaries ranging from $35,000 to $102,000.

The agreement was approved by voice vote Sunday night at a meeting of the United Teachers of New Orleans, which represents 4,500 teachers in the state's largest public school district.

About a third of the teachers voted against the contract because of the reprisal-recall clause.

''They blackmailed the union,'' said Betty Sapp, a teacher who had urged the recall effort. ''Nat LaCour (president of the teachers' union) has sold us out. We're political hostages for the next three years.''

The contract gives all employees a 3 percent pay raise in the first year, and a 4 percent raise in the third year of the agreement. The cost of the package is estimated at $15.7 million over the three years.

''We obviously didn't get all that we wanted, but it's enough to recommend a settlement,'' LaCour said.

The strike affecting 67,000 students in Orleans Parish began Sept. 17, after contract talks between union and school board negotiators collapsed.

UTNO initially had proposed a one-year contract that included increased contributions to a teachers' health benefits fund and a 4 percent to 5 percent pay raise for teacher aides and clerical workers. The teachers did not seek a raise for themselves in that proposal.

When the strike began, UTNO increased its demands and asked for a three-year contract with 10 percent annual pay raises for all of its 6, 100 members.

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#90281u1067 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (OCT. 8) UPI - Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi called on his ally Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to pull his forces out of occupied Kuwait then declare war on any Western forces that remain in the Persian Gulf region.

''There is only one solution out of the crisis we find ourselves in: Iraq must leave Kuwait in accordance with the Libyan initiative,'' Gadhafi said in a speech on Libyan television Sunday monitored by the British Broadcasting Corporation.

''If after Iraq leaves Kuwait the foreign forces continued to stay, then we have no alternative but to resist them. For then we would have the right to do so,'' he said.

''This would mean an act of imperialism. The Egyptian and Syrian presidents have said to me as soon as Iraq leaves Kuwait, we will be prepared to stand on your side against the foreign forces, and we would never permit them to stay '' he said.

Gadhafi proposed, however, only a partial Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, giving Saddam a ''disputed territory'' that includes strategic oil fields along the Iraq-Kuwait border.

''Iraq would take the things that are under dispute to compensate it for the losses it suffered as a result of the increase in the Kuwaiti oil production '' said Gadhafi.

Before invading Kuwait Aug. 2, Saddam charged that Kuwait was producing oil in excess of quotas set by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and causing Iraq, impoverished by a seven-year war with Iran, to take losses on its own oil production on world markets.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 8) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 59-65.

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(OCT. 8) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

. City	Local Time	Temp F	C
Aberdeen r	1pm	51	11
Amstrdm cy	1pm	53	12
Ankara c	3pm	78	25
Athens pc	2pm	79	26
Auckland c	12m	55	13
Beijing c	8pm	62	17
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin r	1pm	49	10
Bonn pc	1pm	51	11
Brussels pc	1pm	54	12
Cairo c	2pm	87	31
Casblnc pc	12n	74	23
Copnhgn cy	1pm	49	09
Dakar pc	12n	86	30
Dublin cy	1pm	54	12
Geneva c	1pm	55	13
Helsinki pc	2pm	46	08
Hong Kng c	8pm	79	26
Jerusalm c	2pm	83	28
Karachi c	5pm	87	31
Lisbon c	1pm	70	21
London c	1pm	55	13
Madrid pc	1pm	62	16
Malta c	1pm	85	30
Manila cy	8pm	74	23
Moscow cy	3pm	59	15
Nairobi cy	3pm	80	27
Nassau pc	7am	81	27
New Delh c	6pm	89	32
Nice c	1pm	70	21
Oslo c	1pm	49	10
Paris pc	1pm	54	12
Pretoria dzl	2pm	65	19
Riyadh m	3pm	100	38
Rome c	1pm	74	24
Seoul pc	9pm	60	15
Sofia pc	2pm	79	26
Stckhlm pc	1pm	42	06
Sydney cy	10pm	66	19
Taipei c	8pm	73	23
Tokyo pc	9pm	67	20
Tunis pc	1pm	84	29

Vienna r	1pm	50	10
Warsaw cy	1pm	52	11
Latin America			
Buens Ars pc	9am	56	13
Caracas m	8am	mm	mm
Havana c	7am	77	25
Lima cy	7am	59	15
Mexic Cty hz	6am	55	13
Rio de Janr c	9am	79	26
Santiago c	8am	47	08
Canada			
Calgary pc		48	08
Edmonton c		41	05
Montreal r		71	21
Ottawa cy		60	15
Regina c		47	08
Toronto cy		74	23
Vancouver r		55	13
Winnipeg c		47	08

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90281u1205 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 8) UPI - Stock prices surged in the heaviest trading session on record Monday on the London International Stock Exchange as the United Kingdom officially entered the exchange rate mechanism of the European Monetary System.

But concern over the situation in the Persian Gulf led to some late profit taking.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which surged 73.5 points Friday climbed another 57.7 points to 2,201.6. The narrower top 30 industrial average jumped 50.1 points to 1,705.7.

Volume swelled to a record 1.085 billion shares with more than 500 million shares changing hands in the first two hours. Friday only 448 million shares

were traded.

The previous volume record was set July 9, 1987, when trades totaled 997.3 million shares.

Britain's long-awaited entry into the ERM, a grid locking the relative values of European currencies in a narrow range, spurred a hectic trading session, one reminiscent of the October 1987 crash in its frenzy, analysts said.

Analysts noted the FT-SE 100, which measures the value of Britain's largest 100 companies in terms of market capitalization, had been up more than 150 points shortly after the market opened, but slipped on profit taking.

The British pound also soared dramatically as Britain formally pegged its currency to other European Community nations.

On the London Foreign Exchange, the pound closed at $1.9705, well above the $1.9500 late Friday.

The euphoria after Friday's announcement that Britain would join the Exchange Rate Mechanism and cut base interest rates a full percentage point to 14 percent returned in early trading, sending stocks and the pound broadly higher analysts said.

The ERM was started 11 years ago by EC members to take some of the volatility out of rapidly fluctuating currencies.

ERM entry will take much of the gamble out of foreign exchange dealings with the pound, which has had more volatility than other currencies inside the mechanism, analysts said.

The prospect of lower interest rates brought about by the ERM pushed building, home improvement and some consumer stocks higher.

Several British lenders announced mortgage rate reductions and some economists are predicting Britain's base rate, now at 14 percent, could drop 2 or 3 points by the next spring.

Bellway, a construction company, gained 34 cents to $3.11 while Higgs and Hill gained 86 cents to $5.93.

International issues reliant on sales in U.S. dollars were hurt by the British pound's renewed vigor and the dollar's continued weakness.

British Aerospace dropped 34 cents to $10.62, Cable & Wireless lost 19 cents to $8.50 and Rio Tinto Zinc slipped 29 cents to $8.12.

Among some of the day's other highlights, Barclay's Bank gained 36 cents to

$7.40 as worries over its exposure to bad debts receded.

Eurotunnel gained 61 cents to $9.03 with the announcement it had secured extra financing.

Elsewhere in Europe, stocks closed braodly higher in thin trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which lost 30.59 points Friday, surged 73.77 points or 5.3 percent to 1,465.53.

Traders attributed the market's rise to a flurry of local buy orders and the rally in Tokyo.

Stocks on the Tokyo Stock Exchange soared in light trading boosted by strength in the Japanese yen and bond markets.

The Nikkei Average of 225 selected shares, which gained 571.20 points Friday, surged 802.35 points, or 3.5 percent, to 23,630.00.

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#90281u1234 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 8) UPI - The Ukraine's upstart city of Ternopol, the first Soviet town to dismantle a statue of Vladimir Lenin, decided Monday to take over all Communist Party property in another anti-Communist first.

Ternopol's City Council, again on the cutting edge of political developments, ordered a complete inventory of the local party's holdings by Dec. 1.

The council empowered the city attorney to prosecute anyone hindering the inventory of party property, which is to be taken over by the town of 189,000 people.

The local Communist leadership charged that the action was ''anti-constitutional and illegal,'' arguing that all parties have a right to own property, the official Tass news agency said.

Ternopol's defiant decision in July to pull down its statue of Lenin prompted a wave of similar symbolic acts against the once-revered Soviet state founder across the country, including a number of larger cities.

Lenin was pulled off his pedestal in the Georgian capital of Tbilisi last month, and the Ukraine's nationalist Rukh movement is demanding that his monument be removed from Kiev, the Ukrainian capital.

The Soviet press has begun to feature articles on the vast holdings of the national Communist Party, which abandoned its monopoly on power in February

but still controls economic production and owns valuable buildings and vast tracts of real estate.

Lenin, the most revered figure in Soviet history, was taken down a peg in February when a Communist Party plenum decreed that he was one in a long line of renowned Socialist thinkers.

Hundreds of museums dedicated to Lenin throughout the country may soon feel the pinch of demythologization. The Lenin Museum in Kiev announced last week that it was broadening its program to include more Ukrainian cultural exhibits.

Soviets now openly talk of removing Lenin from the red-granite mausoleum visited over the years by millions of Soviet citizens and foreign tourists at Red Square.

Krasnaya Zvezda, the official newspaper of the Soviet armed forces, said Sunday that the lines of people waiting to enter the mausoleum ''have become somewhat shorter.''

Movie and theater director Mark Zakharov, who shocked the nation by saying on television that Lenin should be ''buried decently,'' recently suggested that the empty mausoleum be set up as a musem of ''returned party membership cards.''

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#90281u1243 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) UPI - An RF-4C U.S. Air National Guard reconnaissance plane from Alabama crashed in Saudi Arabia Monday, killing both crewmen aboard and two Marine helicopters with eight men aboard were missing in the Arabian Sea, the Pentagon said.

The RF-4C crashed in southern Saudi Arabia at about 1:10 p.m. local time, the Pentagon said. The identities of the two crewmen were withheld pending notification of next of kin.

The cause of the accident was not immediately known.

The plane and crew were from the 117th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, based at Birmingham, Ala. They were part of more than 27,000 National Guard and reservists called to active duty to support Operation Desert Shield.

The two dead crewmen aboard the plane brought to 21 the number of U.S. military personnel killed in connection with Operation Desert Shield, including the 13 Air Force reservists who were killed in an Aug. 28 crash of a C-5 cargo plane in West Germany and one self-inflicted gunshot wound.

At the same time, a search continued for two Marine UH-1N helicopters with

eight crewmen aboard who were reported missing Monday in the North Arabian Sea.

''Two UH-1N Huey helicopters conducting routine night helicopter operations from the amphibious assault ship USS Okinawa in the North Arabian Sea are reported missing, following loss of communications and radar contact,'' Navy Lt. Cmdr. Joe March said.

March said voice contact with the two helicopters, each with a crew of four, was lost at 5:13 a.m. local time and that search and rescue efforts were under way.

The helicopters are from a Marine squadron based at Camp Pendleton, Calif., defense officials said.

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#90281u1244 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, KENYA (OCT. 8) UPI - With a nighttime curfew still in effect in its capital of Kigali, Rwanda said Monday it is clearly winning its 9-day- old war against rebels who stormed into the East Central African country.

But diplomats in Kigali said there has been little sign of let-up in fighting to the north, where the British Broadcasting Corporation reported that rebels had shot down a spotting plane of the Rwandan army.

The rebels, calling themselves the Rwandese Patriotic Front, or Inkotanyi, wrote in protest to France, Belgium and Zaire, attacking them for sending troops to support ''a brutal dictatorship.'' The rebels said their cause was nationalistic and not tribal as the government charges.

''The good news is that the majority of these invaders have been caught and the law will take its course shortly,'' said state-run Radio Rwanda, monitored in Nairobi.

The broadcast said normal working could resume in Kigali. Shops were to re-open, but a 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew remained in force.

Workers in the capital began a cautious return to offices and shops at about 2 p.m. local time, the diplomats said, although taxi traffic remained banned and the government restricted movement across provincial borderlines to those with ministry of defense passes.

Kigali residents, restricted to their homes for almost a week, were relieved by the government's decision because many had begun to run short of food, one diplomat said.

Rwandan forces were caught totally unaware Sept. 30 when about 1,500 heavily armed rebels, who were refugees in Uganda, crossed the border under the

command of Maj. Gen. Fred Rwigyema, an experienced guerrilla fighter and one-time commander of Uganda's National Revolutionary Army.

The rebels came mainly from the Tutsi tribe, who make up about 15 percent of the Rwandan population. About 80,000 Tutsi have been refugees in Rwanda since they fled tribal massacres in the 1960s.

But the rebels have been at pains to state that theirs is not a tribal cause. Up to a third of would-be rebels arrested in Uganda are members of the majority Hutu tribe and the force fighting in northern Rwanda includes former internal affairs minister Alex Kanyarenge, an exiled Hutu.

In its message to France, Zaire and Belgium the RPF wrote: ''Contrary to your disinformation propaganda, our movement, and this conflict is based on a nationalistic and not tribal foundation.''

''The present conflict (is) designed to change a system whose incompetence, acts of economic piracy and iron-handed political persecution are an open secret. You have closed your ears to the wails of millions of Rwandese wriggling helplessly in the grip of a brutal dictatorship,'' it added.

The statement said that ''the presence of your men and instruments of war on Rwandese soil is unacceptable ... you are warned that should your military personnel be put to purposes other than that which you claim they were sent for (and which we view with the greatest suspicion), full responsibility for what happens to them shall fall on your shoulders.''

France and Belgium have both said their troops - 300 French legionnaires and about 500 Belgians - have been deployed solely to protect about 2,300 nationals living in Rwanda.

Western diplomats in Nairobi, who spoke anonymously, said they believed Belgium planned to send more troops in the next few days.

In another press release, the RPF described Belgian intervention as ''a repeat of its abominable act of 31 years ago,'' a reference to a 1959 Hutu uprising under Belgian colonial rule that the rebels accused Belgium of fomenting and assisting.

An eyewitness BBC report, meanwhile, said that rebels had shot down a six-seater observation plane just outside the border town of Kagitumba, 100 miles north of Kigali, killing the two-man Rwandan crew.

Rwanda flew continuous helicopter bombing missions with the help of the plane againsh the rebels over the weekend. It has only two military Gazelle helicopters, however.

Rebels interviewed by the BBC said they had no connection with sporadic

attacks on Kigali last week, despite government claims to be mopping up pockets of civilian-clad fighters around the capital. They said they suspected the Rwandan army was fighting itself.

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#90281u1249 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (OCT. 8) UPI - Playboy began a first-ever search Monday for women's college students willing to pose for a spring pictorial, saying it would investigate a myth that the schools cater to short-haired ''dyed-in-the- wool feminists.''

The Chicago-based adult magazine sent a crew to Boston for a week of interviewing and photographing students and alumni from all-women colleges in the area.

''The idea was something we have heard from our readers, saying that we go off to coed universities and find young women there, but how about the myth about women's schools,'' said Jeff Cohen, Playboy's managing photo editor.

''Is it true they all wear short hair? Are they all dyed-in-the-wool feminists? We decided, 'Well, let's see what happens,''' he said.

The magazine targeted Boston because of the many women's colleges in the area. It also said it would interview candidates from colleges that only recently began accepting male students.

Interested women from Elms, Emmanuel, Mount Holyoke, Pine Manor, Regis, Simmons, Smith, Wellesley, Wheaton and Wheelock colleges were asked to interview with Playboy and pose for photographs. The pictures will be reviewed later to determine which models will be used in the April 1991 issue.

''The initial Polaroids are normally fully clothed.... We prefer a bathing suit so we can get a better idea of how they look,'' Cohen said.

Applicants from the nation's other women's colleges were asked to mail in their pictures, he said.

The spring issue will depict women fully clothed, partially clothed and nude with models allowed to choose their preference, Cohen said.

Heidi Ellis, a 1986 graduate of Mills College in Oakland, Calif., has already been selected to appear in the issue.

''I see nothing wrong with being part of a pictorial that features my physical side because I feel confident about who I am intellectually,'' said Ellis, who added feminists ''glare at my long hair, as though it is a sign that I am buying into an idea of femininity that men have set forth.''

Playboy, which has published several issues on women at universities in big athletic conferences, is no stranger to protests from feminists. This endeavor was no different.

Ilona Metell, a sophomore at Wheelock College in Boston, was among several students organizing a rally outside Boston's Westin Hotel, where Playboy was based for the week.

Metell said a Boston Herald piece published Sept. 29 degraded Boston's college women with a tongue-in-cheek gossip column on Playboy's plans.

The column, by Norma Nathan, said a Playboy publicist claimed college women were panting to be in Playboy and referred to women who opted to be photographed fully clothed as '''fraidy-cats.''

''Not only are they saying things inaccurate, but the way they portray women in their magazine - the women have these pleasurable faces on and that gives men the impression that women like to be nude, helpless and weak,'' Metell said.

Playboy spokeswoman Elizabeth Norris said some women have ''a childhood dream'' of posing for Playboy as ''an affirmation of their beauty.''

By late morning Monday, the college search appeared to be successful, Cohen said.

''Normally, on a search like this, we're well into the second day before we even get a call. It takes that long for the word to get out,'' Cohen said. ''It's only 11 o'clock and we've had a dozen calls. It's a very positive sign.''

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#90281u1284 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) UPI - A new 2-cent tax on home heating oil, one of the tiniest segments of the summit budget agreement, was a symbolic ''red flag'' that helped kill the pact between President Bush and congressional leaders.

And this tax could become a contentious issue under the proposed new budget agreement if conflict erupts between gas-guzzling Western states and states in the frigid Northeast.

The home heating oil tax did not kill the summit agreement.

It was only one of many features - among them a $30 billion increase in medicare payments, the ''sin'' and gasoline tax increases, the cut in farm programs, the new tax breaks for investors - that put together made the

package intolerable to a majority of the House.

Of all the features in the agreement, the inclusion of the home heating oil tax was the most bizarre - and provoked a backlash out of proportion to its importance in the five-year, $500 billion cut in the budget deficit.

Predictably, the outburst came from Northeastern members of Congress in whose states heating oil is a big-ticket item for homeowners.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell said ''I hope it will be deleted'' by Congress and Rep. Silvio Conte, R-Mass., lashed out at the ''millionaire from Texas'' who forced its inclusion into the agreement.

The millionaire is Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, the patrician chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and the 1988 Democratic vice presidential candidate, who insisted in the final hours that the tax had to be included as the price for his support of the pact.

Bentsen, considered a possible candidate for the presidential nomination in 1992, was far from apologetic as the standard bearer of the Western states that would be hit hardest by a proposed 10 cent-a- gallon tax on gasoline.

''The Western states would pay more in gasoline taxes than New England would pay in gasoline and home heating oil taxes combined,'' Bentsen said.

Bentsen added, ''In addition, we have a low income heating assistance program that was established to take care of the problem in the Northeast.

''We must have equity for all regions in this budget agreement and equity means that no region can be exempted from its share of the burden,'' Bentsen said.

Under the agreement that was defeated, many specifics, such as the gasoline and the home heating oil tax, were specified and congressional leaders failed badly in their efforts to convince the rank and file that the mix of taxes - as well as other provisions - could be changed as long as they stayed in what Mitchell called ''the spirit of the agreement.''

The proposed new budget, however, contains no specifics and the House Ways and Means Committee and the Senate Finance Committee will draft the specifics - subject to ratification by the Senate and House and eventual approval by President Bush.

Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, is unlikely to support an increase in home heating oil taxes. And Bentsen, although apparently adamant on the question of the equity, may be willing to trade a reduction in the gasoline tax for an elimination of the home heating oil tax.

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#90281u1297 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (OCT. 8) UPI - The shuttle Discovery's crew sang ''Happy Birthday'' to astronaut Thomas Akers' wife Monday, dubbing themselves ''Richard Richards and the Richards'' to the delight of mission control.

''We don't have a birthday cake on board ... so we had to come up with something special here for you, Kaye,'' shuttle skipper Richard ''Dick'' Richards said from Discovery's crew cabin as Akers displayed what looked like a small pastry with a glowing green ''light stick'' taking the place of a candle.

The ''Discovery chorus'' then sang ''Happy Birthday,'' prompting astronaut Kathryn Thornton in mission control to quip: ''I don't think 'The New Kids in Space' are going to replace The New Kids on the Block as the teen heartthrobs, but we appreciate it anyway.''

''You guys could be the new teen idols,'' she said. ''Your last downlink just played on CNN.''

''Oh great. Thanks,'' astronaut Bruce Melnick said. A few minutes later, he added: ''When we get back and go public, we're going to go as Richard Richards and the Richards.''

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#90281u1347 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (OCT. 8) UPI - British, U.S. and Australian naval vessels enforcing the economic santions against Iraq fired warning shots at an Iraqi cargo ship when it failed to stop for inspection Monday, a Defense Ministry spokesman said.

The Iraqi vessel, al Wasitti, heeded the warning shots fired across the bow and allowed British Royal Marines and U.S. Coast Guard officers to board. An inspection showed the cargo ship empty, and it was allowed to proceed.

The incident, the first time Britain has fired a warning shot in the Persian Gulf crisis, took place about 60 miles northeast of Muscat in the Gulf of Oman which is connected to the Persian Gulf by the Strait of Hormuz.

The Defense Ministry spokesman said the Iraqi ship ignored several requests to stop before warning shots were fired from the frigate HMS Battleaxe, the Australian vessel Adelaide, and the USS Reasoner, also a frigate.

Later Monday, the three countries stopped another ship, the Iraqi tanker Tadmur, and ''stores were discovered on board,'' a defense spokeswoman said.

She refused to release further details.

The British Broadcasting Corporation said the tanker was in violation of the U.N. sanctions and was being diverted to a nearby port for further inspection.

The defense spokeswoman said, however, the matters were still under consideration.

The tanker was intercepted off the Omani coast, near Ra's al Hadd, and searched by Royal Marines flown aboard by helicopter, and U.S. and Australian officials who boarded from boats. They were still abroad nearly seven hours after the search began.

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#90281u1356 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (OCT. 8) UPI - Authorities Monday announced the arrests of seven former Interior Ministry officials on charges of taking bribes, including a police general linked to the 1984 assassination of a pro-Solidarity priest.

The evening newspaper Express Wieczorny said the arrest of Gen. Miroslaw Milewski, the former interior minister and Politburo member, and the others was part of a comprehensive investigation of former ministry workers.

''At the moment I can only tell you that (Milewski) and also six other persons have been arrested under the charge of taking large bribes,'' said Andrzej Cubala, spokesman for the prosecutor-general's office. ''Other arrests are expected to be made.''

Milewski, who started work for the state security service at the age of 16, was interior minister for a short time in 1980. He was replaced by Gen. Czeslaw Kiszczak in 1981 when Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski became prime minister, becoming the Politburo member in charge of the ministry.

News of Milewski's arrest coincided with the publication of a book by the Solidarity author Tadeusz Fredro-Boniecki, who visited Capt. Grzegorz Piotrowski, the convicted killer of the Rev. Jerzy Popieluszko.

Piotrowski allegedly said Milewski knew about the plot to kidnap the priest as part of an overall plan worked out in 1982 by Interior Ministry authorities to harass the church.

''The plan of operation (to kidnap the priest) must have been worked out earlier and approved at the top, especially since it dealt with a well-known person,'' Piotrowski said, referring to Milewski.

The newspaper Express Wieczorny, for its part, said although Milewski's name

''was not mentioned (during the trial), his name was often connected with the murder'' of the priest.

Piotrowski was an official of the Fourth Department - a special unit to tail priests, install listening devices to eavesdrop on them and inspire the communist-controlled press to smear the church.

He said the priest Popieluszko was considered a major problem for authorities because of his constant attacks on the communists in his sermons. Piotrowski also said Milewski told him he personally briefed Jaruzelski about plans to harass the church.

Asked to comment on the book, Jaruzelski's spokesman denied the general knew anything about the harassment plan.

''There was no such plan in writing,'' spokesman Wlodzimierz Lozinski said. ''However, the church problem was discussed (by the Interior Ministry team), but the general didn't take part in these talks.''

Jaruzelski, author of the martial law plan in December 1981 that crushed Solidarity, is now Polish president but is to resign soon amid growing public pressure.

Popieluszko, whose fiery sermons urged the population to demand the revival of Solidarity, was kidnapped by Piotrowski and two other secret policemen and killed on Oct. 19, 1984.

The public revulsion in this overwhelmingly Catholic nation over the murder forced the communist regime to put the perpetrators on trial in the northern city of Torun. Piotrowski and his superior, Col. Adam Pietruszka, were sentenced to 25 years in jail each and his two accomplices got up to 15 years.

The author of the book speculated the Interior Ministry was such a stronghold that only an intricately designed plan could bring about an internal purge.

He said Kiszczak, as the new interior minister under Jaruzelski, may have known of the kidnapping plot and decided to let it go ahead in order to oust hard-liners from the ministry.

''A surveillance of us was ordered by the minister (Kiszczak) one week before the tragic event,'' Piotrowski said, added he had served a ''system of lies.''

''If the minister issues orders to tail his people, it means he has some plan for the future,'' Piotrowski said. ''I knew I would land in jail anyway.''

Following the trial, the ministry was purged. Milewski was fired, along with one general and two colonels.

In 1989, round-table talks were opened with Solidarity which resulted in legalization of the union and formation of a Solidarity-led government.

Piotrowski said his victim, Father Popieluszko, won in the end.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices for Monday were unavailable due to the Columbus Day holiday:

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#90281u1398 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (OCT. 8) UPI - President Corazon Aquino Monday dismissed new threats from rebel soldiers, saying the swift crushing of the rebellion last week in Mindanao ''speaks better than any other rhetoric'' the dissidents have issued.

The composite price index on the Manila Stock Exchange surged Monday to 567.37 percent, up 52.57 points or 10.2 percent from last week's close, reflecting renewed investor confidence in the Aquino government after weeks in the doldrums, analysts said.

Cashiered army Col. Gregorio Honasan said in a statement Sunday the two-day revolt mounted by Col. Alexander Noble in Mindanao was only the first phase of an attempt to unseat Aquino, and a new effort would be launched to ''steadily wear down'' her government.

Noble surrendered Saturday after taking control of garrisons in Butuan and Cagayan de Oro and proclaiming Mindanao, 500 miles south of Manila, an independent federal republic.

''Well, we saw how (the Noble rebellion) ended,'' Aquino said at her regular news conference when asked about the Honasan statement. ''I think it speaks better than any other rhetoric that has been dished out now by the military rebels.''

Aquino said for as long as the rebels were at large, they would continue to try and oust her, but she said the only road to power was through elections.

The 57-year-old Aquino, who had crushed six coup attempts before last week's secession attempt, said a ''great majority'' in the 159,000 armed forces and the people were against a power grab.

Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos said Monday Honasan's statement and the two

bombings outside the defense and finance departments the past two days that left one person injured were ''just a way to save face ... a propaganda ploy to maintain the morale of their diminishing number.''

Ramos announced the formation of a three-member panel to conduct a fact-finding inquiry into the Mindanao rebellion and present recommendations. He also said a reorganization of the military command in the south would be announced soon.

Ramos said an updated report on mopping up operations showed 178 soldiers and militiamen who joined Noble, Aquino's former deputy security chief, had either surrendered or had been captured.

At the resumption of the session Monday of Congress after a monthlong break, the debate began on Aquino's call for the immediate enactment of a bill including a coup attempt in the penal code and raising penalties for rebellion.

Rebellion under existing laws is a bailable offense penalyzed by a maximum 12 years imprisonment. The new bill raises the penalty to life imprisonment, making it a non-bailable offense. The anti-coup bill carries a penalty of life in jail.

But Senator Ernesto Maceda, chairman of the defense committee, said the government should look into ''deep-seated grievances and resentments'' in the armed forces. ''Until you get rid of them, you're not going to see the end of this situation.''

Manila's newspapers in editorials Monday slammed the rebels who said they would continue to ''save'' the republic from a ''corrupt, vindictive and incompetent leadership.''

''There is no way common sense can accept fool-hardy expeditions that have been invariably characterized by consistently gross incompetence in the pursuit of misdirected objectives, and which have only managed to destroy rather than save,'' said the financial daily Business Star. ''That is incompetence compounded.''

''If only on that score alone, the defeat and capture of all rebels should be everybody's business,'' said the Business Star in a front-page editorial.

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#90281u1402 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (OCT. 8) UPI - China's Communist leadership congratulated itself Monday on a successful 11th Asian Games, calling the event a triumph for socialism that would inspire enthusiastic citizens to double China's gross national product by the year 2000.

In a burst of post-Games euphoria, major state-run newspapers bore red headlines and front-page commentaries celebrating China's triumph in hosting and dominating the 16-day competition.

China's first international sports meet began Sept. 22 and concluded Sunday, with the host nation claiming more than half of the 308 gold medals offered to competitors from 37 nations and territories.

''The 11th Asian Games ... shows the world that Asia, whose backwardness resulted from aggression and enslavement by colonialists and imperialists, is rising with great momentum in the east of the world,'' trumpeted the Communist Party People's Daily in a nationalistic commentary.

Newspapers also featured a joint congratulatory letter from the party's ruling Central Committee and the State Council, China's Cabinet, to Games organizers.

The letter said the quadrennial event had ''aroused the patriotic, revolutionary spirit of the people and raised the self-esteem of Chinese boys and girls at home and abroad.''

Leaders exhorted Chinese citizens to use the Games spirit of ''selfless sacrifice, hard struggle, cooperation and striving to be the best'' to boost China's sagging economy.

Calling the games a ''product of socialist cooperation,'' the letter urged China's 1.1 billion citizens to use the Games' competitive spirit as inspiration to ''attend to every detail and double China's gross national product by the year 2000.''

The Games were even credited with improving the attitutes of students who participated in last year's democracy protests.

Presidents from four leading Beijing universities said large numbers of students assigned to work at Games sites benefited from the experience, the semi-official China News Service reported.

''Most students' thinking has progressed over the past year. Now they're concerned with national stability and economic progress,'' said Beijing University President Wu Shuqing. He added that many students active in the protests had worked for the Games.

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#90281u1406 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) UPI - A new 2-cent tax on home heating oil, one of the tiniest segments of the summit budget agreement, was a symbolic ''red flag'' that helped kill the pact between President Bush and congressional leaders.

And the tax could become a contentious issue under the proposed new budget agreement if conflict erupts between gas-guzzling Western states and states in the frigid Northeast.

The home heating oil tax did not kill the summit agreement.

It was only one of many features - among them a $30 billion increase in medicare payments, the ''sin'' and gasoline tax increases, the cut in farm programs, the new tax breaks for investors - that together made the package intolerable to a majority of the House.

Of all the features in the agreement, the inclusion of the home heating oil tax was the most bizarre - and provoked a backlash out of proportion to its importance in the five-year, $500 billion cut in the budget deficit.

Predictably, the outburst came from Northeastern members of Congress in whose states heating oil is a big-ticket item for homeowners.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell said ''I hope it will be deleted'' by Congress and Rep. Silvio Conte, R-Mass., lashed out at the ''millionaire from Texas'' who forced its inclusion into the agreement.

The millionaire is Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, the patrician chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and the 1988 Democratic vice presidential candidate, who insisted in the final hours that the tax had to be included as the price for his support of the pact.

Bentsen, considered a possible candidate for the presidential nomination in 1992, was far from apologetic as the standard bearer of the Western states that would be hit hardest by a proposed 10 cent-a- gallon tax on gasoline.

''The Western states would pay more in gasoline taxes than New England would pay in gasoline and home heating oil taxes combined,'' Bentsen said.

Bentsen added, ''In addition, we have a low income heating assistance program that was established to take care of the problem in the Northeast.

''We must have equity for all regions in this budget agreement and equity means that no region can be exempted from its share of the burden,'' Bentsen said.

Under the agreement that was defeated, many items, such as the gasoline and the home heating oil tax, were specified and congressional leaders failed badly in their efforts to convince the rank and file that the mix of taxes - as well as other provisions - could be changed as long as they stayed in what Mitchell called ''the spirit of the agreement.''

The proposed new budget, however, contains no specifics and the House Ways and

Means Committee and the Senate Finance Committee will draft the specifics - subject to ratification by the Senate and House and eventual approval by President Bush.

Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, is unlikely to support an increase in home heating oil taxes. And Bentsen, although apparently adamant on the question of the equity, may be willing to trade a reduction in the gasoline tax for an elimination of the home heating oil tax.

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#90281u1424 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

ABBOTT PARK, Ill. (OCT. 8) UPI - Abbott Laboratories reported record third-quarter earnings Monday of $220.8 million, or 51 cents a share, up 12.5 percent from $196.3 million, or 44 cents a share, in the year-ago quarter.

Revenues increased to a record $1.51 billion from $1.31 billion in last year's third quarter.

Abbott earnings for the first nine months also reached record heights - $686 million, or $1.57 a share, up 13 percent from $606.8 million, or $1.36 a share a year ago.

Revenues for the period were $4.45 billion, another company record, compared with $3.92 billion a year ago.

Abbott Chairman Duane Burnham said he expects 1990 to mark the 19th straight year of record profits and sales for the health-care products giant.

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#90281u1458 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - The Conference Board warned Tuesday that growing illiteracy among the ranks of potential workers represents ''a softly ticking time bomb'' for employers in the 1990s.

The private business research group, in a study called ''Literacy in the Work Force,'' said industry will be faced with an increasing number of applicants who are at best only marginally literate, with reading skills somewhere between the eighth-grade and 12th-grade levels - and that some in the work force won't even have that level of proficiency.

The study warned nearly one-quarter of the youngsters now entering high school will not earn diplomas, and those who do will be less literate than graduates were only a decade ago, based on reading scores and other tests.

As the educational system turns out more people unable to read properly or

follow directions, ''new jobs are becoming increasing sophisticated,'' Conference Board education specialist Leonard Lund said.

''Trendlines identified in the study could not be happening at a worse time, with economic growth slowing and companies facing intense worldwide competition,'' he said.

The study said nearly one-fifth of the 163 large businesses surveyed are having trouble finding people who can read well enough to qualify even for entry-level jobs. Some 14 percent of respondents reported a variety of problems traceable to illiterate or barely literate workers, ranging from clerks sending out instructions containing factual errors to plant workers letting machinery break down.

The board said 70 percent of the companies have no formal procedures to test entry-level job candidates' reading and writing skills, and most have no idea how many of their current workers may be illiterate.

''By not demanding transcripts when hiring,'' Lund said, (employers) have not signaled to young people that school attendance and performance ''erformance

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#90281u1491 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 8) UPI - Iran's president was quoted Monday as saying he is honoring U.N. sanctions against Iraq despite improved ties between the two old foes, and a new Arab peace initiative to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis was discussed in Damascus.

In spite of signs of warming ties between his country and Iraq, Iranian President Hojatoleslam Ali-Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani said Tehran is observing the embargo and blamed Baghdad for the presence of foreign troops in the region.

''If, like us, all countries fully applied the embargo ordered by the United Nations, Iraq would be obliged to yield and withdraw from Kuwait, '' Rafsanjani told the French daily Le Monde.

Ties between Iran and Iraq improved considerably two months ago when Iraqi President Saddam Hussein capitulated to Iranian peace demands and surrendered rights to a strategic waterway in the northern gulf. Both countries decided to renew diplomatic ties, cut during the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war.

But Rafsanjani ruled out sending Iranian troops to ''the same trenches with the Americans in (Saudi) Arabia,'' saying Tehran had enough problems guarding the 750-mile Iran-Iraq frontier.

On the diplomatic front, talks were held in Damascus Monday between Syrian

leader Hafez Assad and Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid on a new Arab initiative to resolve the crisis.

A spokesman for Assad, who has sent troops to Saudi Arabia, said that Egypt and Syria were working on a ''new Arab initiative, within the framework of the Arab League,'' aimed at ''securing an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.''

State-run Cairo Radio said the new initiative would be discussed at an Arab League meeting in Tunis later this month.

In Cairo, an Egyptian newspaper said Monday that police arrested more suspected members of the notorious pro-Iraqi Palestinian Abu Nidal guerrilla group.

The semi-official Egyptian daily Al Ahram said the five had not been formally charged yet, but were believed to have obtained arms and explosives from Egyptian Islamic fundamentalists who oppose the presence of foreign troops.

Last week, Egyptian police said they arrested at least 33 ''Iraqi and Palestinian terrorists'' who infiltrated the country with false papers. Also detained were an undisclosed number of Palestinians with maps and lists of terrorist targets in Egypt. Tourist resorts along the Red Sea were among the targets.

Egypt strongly opposes Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and sent 15,000 troops to Saudi Arabia to help defend the oil-rich state. But radical Palestinian groups in Iraq threatened to retaliate with terrorist acts against the United States and other pro-Kuwaiti nations should U.S.-led forces attack Iraq.

''Security police arrested another five Palestinians belonging to the Abu Nidal organization,'' Al Ahram said. ''Arms and explosives provided by (Egyptian Islamic) extremist organizations were also seized.''

Although Libya has not backed Iraq's call for terrorism, Moammar Gadhafi called on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait and then declare war on any Western forces remaining in the region.

Gadhafi, himself the target of a U.S. bombing raid four years ago after allegedly supporting anti-U.S. terrorism, said in a speech Iraq should be given disputed Kuwaiti oil fields and border territory to compensate for Baghdad's loss of revenue because of increased Kuwaiti oil production before the invasion.

Gadhafi said he had assurances from Egypt and Syria that they would oppose to the presence of foreign forces after Iraq withdraws from Kuwait.

Palestine Liberation Organization officials in Cairo, meanwhile, have warned Palestinians in Egypt not to become involved in pro-Iraqi terrorism.

The call came as PLO leader Yasser Arafat, accused by gulf Arab states of siding with Iraq in the dispute, discussed efforts to resolve the crisis through peaceful means during talks with Jordanian leaders in Amman.

Arafat left Amman for Tunis Monday after talks with King Hussein. The PLO leader told reporters that despite initial reservations, an international consensus has emerged linking the crisis with a settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

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#90281u1506 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 19 to 22 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.94	10.20	9.94	10.15	9.94
May	10.01	10.20	10.01	10.15	9.96
Jly	10.04	10.20	10.04	10.16	9.95
Oct	10.04	10.24	10.04	10.20	9.98

Estimated sales: 15,668 contracts

Open interest: 109,085 up 896

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.25

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 3 to 12 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	23.35	23.49	23.35	23.49	23.37
Jan	23.22	23.26	23.22	23.26	23.21
Mar	23.17	23.21	23.17	23.19	23.14
May	23.23	23.29	23.23	23.29	23.23
Jly	23.26	23.30	23.26	23.30	23.25
Sep	23.22	23.24	23.22	23.24	23.21
Nov	22.86	....	....	22.94	22.88

Estimated sales: 1,172 contracts

Open interest: 11,930 up 243

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#90281u1510 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - The government will air a host of charges this week against Michael Milken - crimes the admitted felon has not confessed to - in a presentencing hearing that may leave the junk bond pioneer at a marked disadvantage, legal experts say.

At issue is whether Milken's six confessed crimes were part of a larger pattern of criminal activity, as the government claims in a presentencing memo or whether they were isolated incidents in which Milken went too far in helping his clients, as the defense maintains.

Among the possible witnesses at the hearing that begins Tuesday is convicted insider trader Ivan Boesky, Wall Street arbitrageur turned government informant, whose tips led to Milken's indictment.

Once head of high-risk, high-yield bonds at Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., Milken, who came to symbolize the greed and excess that characterized the 1980s, pioneered the use of the so-called junk bonds to fuel leveraged buyouts in the 1980s.

He pleaded guilty to six felonies, including conspiracy and securities fraud, in April and paid $600 million in fines and penalties. The plea bargain allowed him to avoid the toughest charges in the 98- count indictment.

In order to assess Milken's character before the sentencing, U.S. District Court Judge Kimba Wood will hear arguments about a web of crimes the government claims he committed, but he has not admitted.

The so-called Fatico presentencing hearing puts Milken on the defensive and is more likely to work against his efforts to avoid a tough sentence, legal experts say.

Milken, who earned $550 million one year at Drexel, faces a maximum possible sentence of 28 years in prison.

''It's not a a winning situation for a defendant,'' said Jim Rather, formerly with the U.S. Attorney's office in Manhattan and now in private practice. ''Almost always the defendant comes out second best in a Fatico hearing.''

Evidence and testimony are not constrained by the usual legal rules of evidence in a Fatico hearing. Hearsay, for example, which is inadmissible in a trial, is permissible, and government claims need not be proven beyond a reasonable doubt.

''It seems to me due process, in spirit if not in law, is trampled by such government conduct,'' said Richard Emery, a Manhattan attorney. ''The best you can say for this process is at least the judge is holding a hearing.

''It's not tantamount to a separate trial, but at least it provides some forum for testing the government's allegations,'' he said. ''In most cases, judges evaluate on papers submitted, and that's highly unfair and prejudicial. At least there's a hearing.''

A Fatico hearing can be called when the defense disputes government

allegations presented to the judge at sentencing. The Supreme Court has upheld the hearings so judges can weigh the additional evidence of defendats' unadmitted conduct to devise appropriate sentences.

In some cases, however, such as that of convicted inside trader Robert Freeman the judge would not consider any crimes other than the lone charge Freeman admitted. The government had charged Freeman committed some 20 other offenses.

The fact that Wood is holding a Fatico hearing may be attributed to the vast publicity surrounding Milken's case, Rather noted.

''This is unusual because of who he is, the immense amounts involved and the impact on the whole economy,'' he said. ''It's very high stakes.''

Milken's attorney objected to the hearing.

In a case as high profile as Milken's, legal experts note, the hearing itself can mark a victory for prosecutors, who want to send a message to the public.

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#90281u1515 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	367.02	218.95	136.51	20.79	311.50
Opening	371.11	222.18	137.73	21.07	314.94
11 a.m.	369.20	218.57	137.70	20.82	313.32
Noon	369.47	219.32	137.84	20.78	313.53
1 p.m.	369.49	219.70	138.09	20.79	313.63
2 p.m.	368.70	219.64	138.04	20.74	313.03
3 p.m.	368.85	219.59	138.18	20.75	313.19

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#90281u1522 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) UPI - The NFL players' union Monday suggested all members of the news media, male and female, be barred from locker rooms and separate interview areas be set up to assure privacy for the players.

''NFL players should be afforded absolute privacy in their locker rooms,'' Gene Upshaw, executive director of the NFL Players Association, said in a statement from his union's headquarters. ''They should not be expected or required to participate in media interviews unless fully clothed.''

His statement follows two recent incidents involving female sports writers covering NFL teams. Boston Herald reporter Lisa Olson alleged that on Sept. 17 tight end Zeke Mowatt and several other Patriots approached her while they were naked in an attempt to embarrass with lewd suggestions.

Also, Cincinnati Bengals Coach Sam Wyche barred USA Today's Denise Tom from entering his team's locker room Oct. 1. Wyche was fined one- seventeenth of his salary by the league.

Upshaw acknowledged female reporters must have the same access to players as male reporters. As a possible solution, he suggested a ''separate area, removed from the locker room, where all players would be available on an equal basis to all accredited media, male or female.''

While Upshaw's statement did not directly say all news media should be barred from locker rooms, an NFLPA official said that would be the result of creating a separate area for postgame interviews.

The official, who asked not to be identified, emphasized Upshaw was not being hostile toward the press, and said an interview area would place an equal burden on the players because they would have to go from the locker room to another part of the stadium.

Upshaw was on the road this week visiting players in Philadelphia, Chicago and other cities and was unavailable for comment.

The official said some players have expressed concern to the NFLPA following the Patroits and Bengals incidents.

Comments have ranged from ''those who are very concerned about the lack of dignity and privacy all the way to the players who really don't care one way or another.''

After the Bengals' victory Sunday at Los Angeles against the Rams, about 10 female reporters entered the Cincinnati locker room. To protect the players' privacy, the Bengals put up a curtain to prevent anyone from seeing into their showers and bathroom. The players put on their pants on the other side of the curtain.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 8) UPI - AFC-CIO President Lane Kirkland said Monday the current U.S. health care system is not getting the job done and his organization is working to get Congress to do something about it.

''As yet, the trade union movement has not come forward with a specific proposal for solving this crisis,'' Kirkland said at a public hearing in

Louisville. ''We are here to listen and to find common ground with other segments of our society, including many employers, who now believe that a comprehensive approach is in their bottom-line interest.''

Kirkland made the comments during the fourth in a series of eight coast-to-coast regional hearings scheduled between Sept. 20 and Oct. 25.

''More than 11 percent of our gross national product is devoted to paying for health care,'' he said. ''Yet we're the only industrialized country besides South Africa that doesn't guarantee basic health services to its citizens.''

The labor federation is calling for a health care system that provides quality access and affordability, and is seeking a consensus for a legislative proposal to be pushed in Congress next year.

The panel heard from workers, employers, health care providers and community and political leaders. Joining Kirkland on the panel were Electrical Workers President William Bywater, United Mine Workers President Richard Trumka and Joyce Miller, vice president of the Clothing and Textile Workers.

Kirkland said his group's health care reform campaign includes national television advertising, mass mailings ''and every other avenue we can use to help focus public attention on the health care crisis and to get action from Congress and the administration.''

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(OCT. 8) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $10 to $17 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.75 cent to 1.75 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.60 to 1.40 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.35 cent to 1.90 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.20 to $1.30 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $2.40 to $4.00 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.75 cent to 1.95 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 0.3 cent higher to 0.7 cents an ounce lower for a

5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.019 to 0.022 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90281u1550 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 8) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.74	2.79 1/2	2.72 1/4	2.79 1/4	2.73 3/4
Mar	2.88	2.93	2.86 1/4	2.92 1/4	2.88
May	2.95 1/4	2.99 1/2	2.93 1/4	2.99	2.95
Jly	2.99	3.02 1/2	2.96 1/2	3.01 1/2	2.99
Sep	....	....	....	3.05 1/2	3.03
Dec	....	....	....	3.15	3.12 1/2

Friday sales 27,115 bushels; Friday open interest 295,180 up 1,320.

Corn - (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.29 3/4	2.34 1/4	2.29 1/4	2.34	2.28 3/4
Mar	2.39 1/4	2.43	2.38 1/4	2.43 3/4	2.37 3/4
May	2.45 1/4	2.48 3/4	2.44 1/2	2.48 1/2	2.44 1/4
Jly	2.49 1/2	2.52 1/4	2.48 1/4	2.52	2.48
Sep	2.47	2.49	2.46 1/2	2.49	2.46 3/4
Dec	2.50	2.52	2.48 1/4	2.51 3/4	2.49 1/2
Mar	....	....	....	2.58	2.56

Friday sales 195,600 bushels; Friday open interest 1,043,000 off 125.

Oats - (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.21 3/4	1.24	1.21 3/4	1.23 1/2	1.21 1/2
Mar	1.32 3/4	1.34	1.32 1/2	1.33 1/2	1.31 3/4
May	1.39 1/2	2.40 1/2	1.39 1/2	1.40	1.39
Jly	1.45 1/4	1.46	1.45 1/4	1.46	1.44
Sep	....	....	....	1.52	1.50

Friday sales 4,755 bushels; Friday open interest 72,760 up 1,640.

Soybeans - 5,000 bu; $ per bu					
Nov	6.20 1/2	6.36 1/2	6.19 1/2	6.34	6.17
Jan	6.36 1/2	6.50	6.34	6.47 1/2	6.31 1/2
Mar	6.48 1/2	6.62 1/2	6.46 1/4	6.59 3/4	6.44
May	6.58	6.71 1/2	6.56 1/2	6.68 1/2	6.53 1/2
Jly	6.66	6.78	6.64 1/2	6.76 1/4	6.61 1/2
Aug	6.60	6.69	6.60	6.67	6.55
Sep	6.29	6.36	6.29	6.32	6.26
Nov	6.16 1/2	6.20 1/2	6.15	6.19 1/2	6.14 1/4

Jan .... 6.30 6.23 1/2 Friday sales 158,900 bushels; Friday open interest 562,490 up 6,575.

Soybean Oil - 60,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	22.30	22.54	22.25	22.53	22.17
Dec	22.67	22.93	22.60	22.79	22.57
Jan	22.98	23.22	22.89	23.08	22.89
Mar	23.48	23.65	23.38	23.46	23.33
May	23.70	24.00	23.65	23.80	23.65
Jly	23.92	24.18	23.90	24.05	23.85
Aug	24.00	24.15	23.95	23.95	23.95
Sep	23.70	23.90	23.70	23.70	23.75
Oct	23.15	23.35	23.15	23.35	23.15
Dec	23.05	23.15	23.05	23.05	23.10

Friday sales 11,430 contracts; Friday open interest 77,367 up 129.

Soybean Meal - 100 tons; $ per ton

Oct	185.00	192.00	193.90	191.90	183.40
Dec	188.80	195.50	187.40	194.80	187.60
Jan	190.00	197.00	189.10	195.80	189.40
Mar	192.00	198.50	190.30	197.80	191.30
May	192.80	198.00	190.50	198.00	191.80
Jly	193.00	197.00	191.80	197.00	192.50
Aug	191.20	188.00	185.50	188.00	185.80
Oct	183.00	185.00	183.00	185.00	182.50
Dec	183.50	185.00	182.00	185.00	183.20

Friday sales 16,764 contracts; Friday open interest 63,036 up 1,180.

Open interest is reported by the CBOT in thousands of bushels.

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(OCT. 8) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in slow trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Higher in slow trading.

London Stocks - Closed broadly higher in record trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Slightly higher.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 2 to 5 1/4, soybeans up 5 1/4 to 17, wheat up 2 1/2 to 5 1/2 and oats up 1 to 2.

Cattle trade - Closed for Columbus Day holiday.

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#90281u1567 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 8) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.64-2.69 1/4 up 5 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.26- 6.34 up 17.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.22-2.34 up 5 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.36-2.39 up 7 1/4 to 5 1/4.

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#90281u1569 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (OCT. 8) UPI - On the eve of an unrelated meeting to discuss possible joint ventures in the Soviet Union, Conoco Inc. Monday announced its own initiatives in the Soviet Union for the development of energy reserves.

''I am confident that the partnership of western and Soviet technology, equipment, investment and management expertise will result in profitable joint ventures,'' said Constantine Nicandros, Conoco president and chief executive officer.

Du Pont Co., Conoco's parent, has conducted business in the Soviet Union for more than 10 years and has offices in Moscow, Nicandros said. Conoco is not the only domestic energy company interested in untapped Soviet resources.

A Houston geophysical firm planned Tuesday to offer seismic data during a meeting between Soviet officials and interested oilmen.

''The Soviets are extremely anxious to demonstrate how serious they are as joint venture partners,'' said Tom Russell, president of Professional Geophysics Inc., which has six seismic crews exploring the Soviet Union.

Professional Geophysics and the Soviet Ministry of Geology established a joint venture called Systemco, which planned Tuesday to unveil seismic data covering

more than 18,600 miles of 13 exploration regions in the Soviet Union, including offshore in the Black Sea.

At another meeting at the end of the month, MDSeis - a joint venture between Professional Geophysics and the Ministry of Oil and Gas Industry - plans to present a package containing more than 24,800 miles of regional data and additional areas authorized for joint ventures.

MDSeis arranged a meeting last March in Houston to help Soviet Union energy officials offer oilmen joint ventures of oil and gas fields in five Soviet areas. At the time, Professional Geophysics said it was the first time the Soviets had offered definite areas for development by western companies.

M.G. Pitcher, Conoco's executive vice president for worldwide exploration, said his company is optimistic about the future of oil and natural gas investment opportunities in the Soviet Union.

Conoco executives last month signed a protocol concerning a feasibility study and joint venture activities in an area of the Timan- Pechora basin in the north European region of the Soviet Union, the firm announced Monday.

The signing involved Conoco, the Soviet Ministry of Geology, PGO Arkhangelskgeologis and Arkhangelskgeologia authorities.

Conoco also has signed an exclusive feasibility study agreement with several large regional Soviet organizations located in the Tyumen, Purpe and Noyabrsk regions.

''Combined the two (Conoco) study areas in the West Siberia and Timan-Pechora basins have potential recoverable reserves of 3 to 4 billion barrels,'' Pitcher said. ''Exploration potential is also being evaluated in the existing fields and the surrounding areas.''

He said Conoco's technical specialists have made several field trips to the regions and met numerous times with Soviet specialists both in Alaska and at Conoco's headquarters in Houston.

Another feasibility study agreement previously reported involves Du Pont Services B.V., a Conoco affilitate located in The Netherlands; Norsk Hydro a.s. of Norway and the Finnish companies Neste Oy, Imatran Voima Oy and Oy Wartsila Ab.

That study involves an exclusive agreement with the USSR Ministry of Oil to evaluate the giant Schtockmanskoye gas field in the Barents Sea. The field is believed to have reserves of more than 100 trillion cubic feet of natural gas.

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BY JOSEPH MIANOWANY - UPI

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) UPI - The budget shenanigans on Capitol Hill could increase re-election risks for some normally secure lawmakers, but even though the public may be upset with official Washington, few incumbents appear to face a tough road in next month's voting.

The on-again, off-again, on-again budget agreement that has tied Congress and the White House in knots is one of those Washington events that sparks anger in the hearts of taxpayers and prompts calls to ''throw the rascals out.''

But, many analysts agree, while the problem may cause incumbents some discomfort, it is not one likely to ignite a mass voter uprising next month.

National strategists for both Democratic and Republican efforts in House races said Monday that while they detected voter dissatisfaction with the gridlock in the capital, they saw no evidence that the budget fight would spill over into the election on a large scale.

Both sides also pointed to results of Louisiana's open primary Saturday in which Rep. Jim McCrery, a Republican, won with 55 percent of the vote, despite what Democrats had believed was a strong shot at the seat.

McCrery was one of those Republicans who last week voted against the first bipartisan budget compromise - a maneuver some people believe helped him insulate himself from voters who were upset with that package.

Added Gary Koops of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee: ''Take a look at the votes. Every Democrat perceived to be in a tough race voted against it.''

Howard Schloss, a spokesman for the committee in charge of the Democrats' House effort, said while his party's polling had detected ''an anti-politician anti-Washington mood,'' there was no sense among Democratic strategists that it would become the dominant issue in next month's voting.

Helping build that incumbent confidence is a consistent record from recent years in which virtually all House incumbents won their races.

If campaign finances are any guide, that trend looks likely to continue.

A study last week from Common Cause, the self-styled public interest group, showed that nearly 95 percent of the House incumbents seeking a new term this year - 382 of 405 members - are facing opponents with less than half their financial resources.

But Paul Goldman, Democratic Party chairman in Virginia, added that in 1992,

when President Bush faces re-election, the budget fight could be the determining factor in what the political parties stand for.

Goldman, who has been relentlessly pushing his governor, Douglas Wilder, as an advocate of the middle class, insists that defending the middle by cutting their taxes is the best way for his party to recapture the White House.

''I don't think tinkering around the edges is going to convince the middle class and people who are suffering that we're doing that much,'' said Goldman.

''I'm concerned we'll have another one of these plans that aren't real, based on assumptions that never come true,'' he said. ''Merely taxing the rich more isn't going to help the guy making $30,000 a year.

''There are two major issues the Democratic Party has to face: defining what Republicans stand for and defining what we stand for,'' he said. ''To really score big, you've got to have it both ways and it's my feeling we'll miss this opportunity this time.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Forbes magazine Monday issued its annual list of America's 400 richest people - a list marked by the conspicuous absence of developer Donald Trump.

Communications mogul John Werner Kluge topped the roster of billionaires and millionaires, who as a group have been hit hard by the economy's downturn, the magazine reported.

Trump, facing falling real estate values and massive debt, was joined on the sidelines by Ralph Ingersoll, whose newspaper empire was heavily funded by junk bonds, and Malcolm Forbes, the magazine's owner who died earlier this year at age 70.

Also excluded from this year's list was Merv Griffin, the entertainer whose Resorts International casino holdings were mired in federal bankruptcy proceedings. His net worth, estimated last year at $300 million, is now thought to be $250 million, the magazine said.

The net worth of 172 people still on the list dropped from 1989, and 53 people on the list lost between $100 million and $880 million, the magazine said.

Sumner Murray Redstone, owner of Viacom, suffered the largest decline as his net worth fell from $2.88 billion to $2 billion.

Also losing a chunk of change were publishing magnate Rupert Murdoch, whose net worth fell an estimated $600 million; cable television's Ted Turner, down

$460 million; and H. Ross Perot, off $300 million, the magazine said.

But fallen junk-bond king Michael Milken managed to stay on the list with an estimated worth of $700 million - even after paying $600 million in government fines and penalties and losing $250 million in the bankruptcy of his old firm, Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. Milken is awaiting sentencing on securities fraud and other charges.

The minimum amount to merit a place on the richest list dropped to $260 million, down from $275 million last year, the magazine said.

Both Kluge and second-place Warren Edward Buffett held the same places they did last year, Forbes said.

Kluge, whose holdings include Metromedia and Orion Pictures, was estimated to be worth at least $5.6 billion.

Omaha-based investor Buffett's worth was placed at $3.3 billion, followed by Revlon's Ronald Perelman with $2.87 billion and industrialist Henry Hillman with $2.65 billion.

Other perennials on the Forbes list included sisters Barbara Cox Anthony and Anne Cox Chambers, who inherited a publishing empire and whose combined worth is about $5.2 billion; publishing brothers Samuel Newhouse Jr. and his brother Donald; manufacturing brothers Jay and Robert Pritzker; Wal-Mart Stores founder Sam Walton and his children; Seagram Co.'s Edgar Bronfman; publisher-turned-ambassador Walter Annenberg; developer Harry Helmsley; and oil and real estate magnate Marvin Davis.

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#90281u1600 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

AN AIRBASE IN SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 8) UPI - Army Chief of Staff Carl Vuono paid a morale-boosting visit to Army units across Saudi Arabia, but offered no indication of when they might get rotated home.

Vuono, arriving at a position of the 11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade from Fort Bliss, Texas, for brief remarks before returning to Washington, told the troops, ''You did what we asked you to do and what we asked you to do was deter Iraqis and defend Saudi Arabia.''

Later, in answer to questions from reporters he said the soldiers ''will be the first to know'' when they can rotate home. But he offered no suggestions about a timetable for unit rotations.

Vuono visited every division in the country, including the combat forces closest to the Kuwait border and said he was impressed with the training and readiness of the units.

He also defended the record of the AH-64 Apache helicopter, saying it was ''the finest attack helicopter in the world. It's exceeded our expectations in terms of its readiness. We knew this was a harsh environment ... We're ready for it and that helicopter is doing a superb job.''

The chief of staff also said he was pleased at how well the system of flying soldiers in just as their gear was due to arrive by ship had worked. But, he said, ''Things never go exactly according to plan.''

A number of soldiers far closer to the front have complained to reporters they have had to eat vacuum packed meals called MREs - meal, ready to eat - for as long as 30 days, and have seen little freshly cooked food. Hot meals typically consist of tinned entrees and vegetables that have a three-year shelf life.

Vuono was quizzed about the food complaints and insisted, ''We don't know about anybody having to eat MREs for 30 days.''

''Everywhere I've been today, and I've been as far forward as you can get ... they are getting a mix of MREs and T-Rations (large cans that are heated on steam tables), and they are getting a supplement of fresh fruit and bread and milk and juice, that kind of thing.

''Where we can serve an A-ration (freshly cooked local food products), a hot meal, we are serving hot meals,'' said Vuono.

And questioned about the apparent lack of trained cooks in the Army following a decision several years ago to use catering services at bases, Vuono said, ''We took that into account some time ago and provided additional cooks to all of our units. These units over here have sufficient cooks to cook A-rations and whatever meals are necessary. The availability of cooks is not a problem.''

Vuono spoke briefly and seperately to three soldiers, two of whom were bachelors. Vuono joked with their sergeant about the preponderance of bachelors in the unit and the sergeant responded, ''These guys will have something in mind when they get back.''

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#90281u1610 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Monday	1089.8
Friday	1082.0
Week ago	1077.2
Month ago	1096.7
Year ago	1103.1
1990 High	1209.9

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#90281u1629 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (OCT. 8) UPI - Two Americans, Joseph E. Murray of Boston and E. Donnall Thomas of Seattle, were awarded the 1990 Nobel Prize in medicine Monday for work that cleared the way for widespread use of life-saving transplants.

Sweden's Karolinska Institute jointly awarded the prize to Murray, 71, a former Harvard University professor based at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, and Thomas, 70, who works at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle.

The prize includes a cash payment of $700,000.

''Murray's and Thomas' discoveries are crucial for those tens of thousands of severely ill patients who either can be cured or be given a decent life when other treatment methods are without success,'' the insitute said in the award citation.

Murray discovered that rejection following organ transplantation in humans could be mastered, and Thomas managed to diminish the severe immune reaction that a graft can cause in the recipient, the so-called graft versus host disease, the institute said.

''They tackled the problems from opposite directions,'' said Gosta Gahrton, a member of the Nobel committee. ''Murray made it possible to bring transplants into the body and not be rejected, while Thomas's method avoided the graft versus host reaction, or the transplant attacking the body.''

The two men were the 65th and 66th Americans to receive the Nobel medicine prize since it was was first awarded in 1901.

Thomas said he never dreamed he would win a Nobel because his work involved patients, rather than basic, laboratory research.

''I thought it was such a long shot that I wasn't even in the race,'' he told a news conference in Seattle. ''The most exciting thing is the general acceptance of bone marrow transplantation as a useful therapeutic procedure.''

Asked how he would spend the $700,000 in prize money, Thomas joked, ''About the only thing that will change is a new dress for my wife.''

Thomas said he always wanted to be a doctor, following in the footsteps of his father, a general practitioner in Texas.

''I would drive him on his house calls. Doctors made house calls in those days. I would drive while he would sleep on the back seat, trying to catch up on his sleep.''

Thomas also recalled working as a hematologist at Boston's Brigham Hospital in 1954 when Murray performed his landmark kidney transplant there using identical twins.

''I was one of the ... (doctors) on the ward taking care of that patient,'' Thomas said.

In work involving leukemia patients in the mid-1960s, Thomas showed infusing a sick person with bone marrow cells from a healthy person could reconstitute the patient's bone marrow and spur production of healthy, new blood cells.

Such transplants can cure leukemia, disorders of the immune system, severe anemia and inherited blood disorders. They are also being used as part of some experimental treatments on people with cancerous tumors and AIDS.

Thomas' first work in bone marrow transplants also involved identical twins. Later, brothers and sisters with matching tissue types were found to be suitible donors for each other. Only in the last few years has human tissue typing advanced to the point where complete strangers can act as donors.

But there is a great need to expand the number of volunteers who have had their tissue types entered on a national computer register of potential bone marrow donors.

''We certainly need more donors,'' he said, noting that for even common tissue types, there is only a 1 in 2,000 chance of a match.

Murray could not be reached for immediate comment Monday, but planned to hold a news conference in San Francisco.

Murray is noted for his work showing kidney tranplants could cure people suffering from kidney failure. His research enabled the number of kidney transplants to soar, from fewer than 500 per year in the late 1960s to more than 10,000 in the 1980s, the institute said.

Furthermore, his landmark findings cleared the way for the transplantation of other organs, like the liver, pancreas and heart.

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#90281u1636 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 35 to 190 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	72.75	73.40	72.50	73.20	71.30
Dec	73.05	74.00	73.05	73.76	72.80
Mar	73.80	74.70	73.80	74.52	73.45
May	74.35	75.20	74.35	75.20	74.21
Jly	74.50	75.25	74.50	75.10	74.25
Oct	69.50	69.50	69.30	69.48	69.13
Dec	67.89	68.35	67.89	68.25	67.75

Estimated sales: 5,500 contracts
Open interest: 36,651 up 476
The World spot average was unavailable.

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#90281u1642 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

BUCHAREST (OCT. 8) UPI - British diplomats voiced concern Monday over the use of an experimental AIDS drug on Romanian babies, saying the infants were serving as guinea pigs for a treatment they regarded as ''useless.''

Doctors began injecting a number of AIDS-infected babies at a Bucharest hospital with the drug FLV 23-A on Friday. The substance was developed by the International Medical Research Foundation headed by David Hughes, who claims to have had success with the drug in the eastern African country Malawi.

''David Hughes is injecting dying babies daily with a substance we believe to be useless,'' said a British Foreign Office statement read to the Romanian government by British Ambassador Michael Atkinson.

The message said there was no independent, scientific collaboration of Hughes' claims that four of 42 AIDS patients treated with the drug in Malawi fully recovered from the deadly disease.

''We're concerned that the final aim may be to promote a substance, purported to be an AIDS cure in the West Coast of the United States, using unverifiable results from developing countries,'' it said.

The drug has not been approved for use in humans by the Food and Drug Administration.

Nicolae Beldescu, who heads the AIDS program at the Romanian Health Ministry, confirmed the tests were being carried out. Hughes' firm had promised to donate medical equipment to the hospital and to allow the drug to be registered first in Romania, if proved to be successful, he said.

''Even if one in a thousand shows a good result, it will be worth the test - not just for Romania but for the good of the whole world,'' Beldescu said.

But he added Romanian officials ''have to rely on the fact these people are of good faith.''

A team of eight British volunteers has threatened to pull out of the Colentina Hospital, where the drugs are being administered, over the issue.

''The whole thing stinks,'' said Joyce Mullin, supervisor of Health Aid UK, which has been working with AIDS babies at the hospital since May.

Hughes refused to meet journalists Monday.

About 800 Romanian infants, many of them orphans, are believed to be infected with the virus that causes acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

In most cases the babies were infected by contaminated hospital syringes or transfusions of tainted blood. Under former dictator Nicolae Ceausescu, undernourished infants were routinely given transfusions as treatment, a practice long discredited in the West.

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#90281u1646 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

KAIMU, HI (OCT. 8) UPI - Lava from Kilauea volcano destroyed two homes and threatened another in a march along the shoreline of the southeastern part of the island of Hawaii, civil defense authorities said Monday.

One home in the evacuated Kalapana Shores housing area was destroyed at 12 noon EDT Sunday by molten rock that pushed into the yard and ignited the structure, officials said.

Another seaside home was incinerated at 7 p.m. EDT, after lava pooled 10 feet away from the structure and another home for several days, before finally moving forward to claim the residence, said civil defense spokesman Craig Hindle.

''There was a rock wall in front of it, and it just kept filling in until it spilled over the wall,'' said Hindle, who said lava was still 10 feet from a neighboring home.

The relentless lava flow that turned the historic Kalapana settlement into a ghost town buried under tons of new rock is now assaulting Kaimu, the next community to the northeast, along the coast.

The lava demolished the world-famous black sand beach at Kaimu and then completely filled in Kaimu Bay, rolled across the main access road to the area and cut electricity and phone lines.

Residents of the dozen homes in Kalapana Shores were ordered evacuated as the

lava neared, and those living in the Kaimu-Makena Homsteads, Kaimu Makena Houselots, and Kalapana Haven developments were placed on alert.

Some 33 homes are in the potential path of the flow that has crept steadily east most of the year. Molten material is still pouring from the vent five miles upslope at a rate roughly estimated at 650,000 cubic yards per day.

Residents of nine Kaimu homes were earlier advised to evacuate and other residents have been on alert because of the danger of ''laze'' or lava haze formed when the molten rock hits sea water.

The laze, which can contain toxic materials such as hydrochloric acid, has been blown out to sea by strong trade winds. Visitors have been allowed to view the activity from a point farther up the coastline.

But all coastal recreational activity for areas west of Kalapana Shores has been banned until further notice.

The eruption that began in January 1983 is the longest in recorded history and has destroyed 177 homes and other structures, as well as destroying many houselots and paving over miles of roadways.

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#90281u1650 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT 8) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	63 7-8	up 3-4
AT&T Company	32 5-8	up 7-8
BCE Inc	30 1-2	unch
Bell Atlantic	48 1-2	up 5-8
BellSouth Corp	52 5-8	up 3-8
Exxon Corp	50 3-8	up 1-2
Ford Motor Co	32 3-4	up 1-8
Genl Electric	54 3-8	up 1-8
General Motors	37 5-8	up 3-4
GTE Corp	28	off 1-8
IBM Corp	109 3-8	up 1 1-8
Mobil Oil Corp	61	unch
Nynex Corp	75	up 2 3-8
Pac Gas & Elec	22 3-4	up 3-8
Pacific Telesis	43 7-8	up 1
Phila Electric	15 7-8	up 1-8
Sears Roebuck	25 1-2	up 1-2
Southern Co	25	up 1-8
Sthwestern Bell	54	up 5-8
US West Inc	36 1-2	up 3-4

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#90281u1668 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2523.76	up	13.12	859.65	off	6.66	208.50	up	3.08
Friday	2510.64	off	6.19	866.31	off	2.96	205.42	up	0.50
Week ago	2515.84	up	63.36	873.15	up	31.80	203.35	up	4.78
Month ago	2615.59	off	3.96	908.10	off	0.18	200.45	off	0.44
Year ago	2719.41	up	5.89	1518.49	up	13.87	219.13	up	0.44
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2427.48			828.03			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90281u1673 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2523.76	up	13.12
20 Trans	859.65	off	6.66
15 Utils	208.50	up	3.08
65 Stocks	884.69	up	3.21

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#90281u1683 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (UPI-FNNPRO) - Carroon & Black Corp. shareholders Monday voted in favor of a merger with Britain's Willis Faber PLC, paving the way to create the world's fourth-largest insurance brokerage company, with projected revenues of $1 billion a year.

''A majority of shareholders voted in favor of the merger and the new company - Willis Corroon PLC - will start trading Tuesday on the New York Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange,'' said Robert Cuthbert, Corroon Chief Financial Officer.

Cuthbert said the new company, based in London and incorporated in Britain, will trade American Depositary Receipts on the two U.S. exchanges and also trade on the London International Stock Exchange.

Willis Faber shareholders previously approved the merger offer made by the British insurer in June. The merger also has received regulatory approval in both the United States and Britain.

Willis Faber's offer involved issuing 7.8 ordinary shares of its stock against each share of Corroon in a deal estimated at about $1.16 billion.

The new company will also issue a cash dividend of $2.50 a share to each Corroon shareholder of record.

Willis Faber and Corroon rank as the fifth and sixth largest insurance brokerage companies in the world, with 1989 revenues of $456 million and $400 million, respectively. The British insurer employs 6, 000 people and Corroon 5,000. The companies previously said the merger did not call for layoffs.

Corroon shareholders voted 61 percent in favor of the merger. The vote came after a decision by Corroon's board of directors to reject a $40-a-share offer by a U.S. insurer, Chicago-based Aon Corp.

Willis Faber made its bid for Corroon in June after the British insurer reported a 15 percent increase in proficts in 1989. Earnings for Corroon, based in New York, declined in 1989 to $36 million from $115.8 million in 1988.

Corroon had warned that 1990 was going to be ''a difficult year for the company,'' and pointed to the weakness of its international operations.

The merger will give the new company what Corroon and Willis previously lacked a stronghold in each other's territory on either side of the Atlantic. But analysts warned the merger could bring an array of problems.

''I am not surprised shareholders voted in favor of the merger because it looks good on paper and it could benefit the new company,'' said analyst Charles Carabell with Blunt Ellis & Loewi.

''We now have a company with split headquarters, in London and New York,'' Carabell added. ''This situation has created problems elsewhere in the past, but this might not be the case here. This opens a whole level of new services for Willis to do business in the United Staets and this will benefit the international operations of Corroon clients.''

Announcement of the merger approval gave a boost to Corroon shares on the New York Stock Exchange where they were quoted up $1.725 to $32.725 in afternoon trading.

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#90281u1684 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.29	up 0.12

10	Public Utils	90.81	up 0.18
10	Industrials	87.78	up 0.07

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#90281u1689 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks - 8,200,000 shares

1990 to date - 2,693,704,700

Bonds - $2,610,000

1990 to date - $553,997,000

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#90281u1693 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (OCT. 8) UPI - Israeli police opened fire on thousands of Palestinians demonstrating at Islam's third holiest site Monday, killing 19 Moslems and wounding more than 150 in the worst violence of the nearly 3-year-old Palestinian uprising.

Palestinians described the killings as a massacre and called for a week of mourning, while Israeli officials said the violence was a premeditated effort to divert world attention from the Persian Gulf crisis to the Palestinian cause.

''Someone tried to exploit the atmosphere, the hysteria, the fundamentalist jealousy that has been broadcast from Baghdad,'' Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said. ''The mission did not succeed, thank God. Our security forces managed to cope with the trouble and they will continue to secure peace and quiet in Jerusalem, the holy city.''

There were conflicting reports on how the mid-morning violence began at the Temple Mount in Jerusalem's walled Old City. Police said they had to use force after a police post on the Temple Mount was burned and Palestinians threw rocks at thousands of Jews celebrating the Succot holiday at the nearby Western Wall, Judaism's holiest site.

Several Jewish worshippers were lightly wounded and six policemen were injured.

Thousands of Moslems had gathered at the Temple Mount, site of the Dome of the Rock and Al Aqsa Mosque, after their religious leaders called on them to ''protect'' the Islamic holy site from a religious Jewish fringe group. The Jewish group had called for a mass pilgrimage Monday to the Temple Mount, the site of the ancient destroyed Jewish Temple.

Many Palestinians charged that Israeli police and civilians provoked the riot by opening fire without cause on demonstrators.

Prominent Palestinians and organizations issued a statement charging Israeli authorities committed ''another crime against our people'' and called for U.N. forces to be deployed as peace-keepers in the occupied territories.

''We condemn this massacre,'' the Palestinian statement said.

Al Haq, or Law in the Service of Man, a human rights group based in the West Bank, deplored the measures taken by the Israeli authorities to quell the violence.

''Rather than take measures to avoid confrontation and casualties, it appears that the police and (paramilitary) Border Guards acted with excessive force without regard for human life in what can only be called a massacre,'' Al Haq said in a statement.

While Israeli leaders denounced the stone-throwing at Jewish worshippers at the Western Wall plaza about 60 feet below the Temple Mount, they also expressed sorrow over the number of Arabs killed and wounded.

Clashes erupted in Arab East Jerusalem and the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip as news of the killings spread. At least two Arabs were killed and 57 wounded in the Gaza Strip, Palestinian sources said.

The Gaza Strip was declared a closed military zone and at least 20 West Bank towns and refugee camps were put under curfew or declared closed to prevent more violence. Residents of the occupied territories also were forbidden to enter Jerusalem. Police Minister Roni Milo said the violence was planned by Palestinian activists beforehad and was intended to ''turn world opinion from the crisis in the Persian Gulf.''

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#90281u1694 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks	-	99,470,000 shares
1990 to date	-	30,660,562,342
Warrants	-	626,000
1990 to date	-	192,444,000

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#90281u1702 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Money Rates Monday were unavailable due to the Columbus Day holiday.

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#90281u1707 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Monday - $23,780,000
1990 to date - $8,548,632,000

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#90281u1711 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (OCT. 8) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Monday - 5,942,000
1990 to date - 1,941,816,000

The market closed higher.

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#90281u1719 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 307.22, low 306.20, close 306.51, up 0.03.

There was no change in the average price of an AMEX share.

Volume 8,200,000 shares, compared with 12, 240,000 Friday.
What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	7
New Lows	45
Advances	238
Declines	259
Unchanged	253
Total Issues	750

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#90281u1728 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2530.69	2548.02	2507.18	2523.76	up 13.12
20 Trans	850.41	868.53	843.75	859.65	off 6.66
15 Utils	205.73	209.57	205.36	208.50	up 3.08
65 Stock	881.48	892.63	874.81	884.69	up 3.21

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	10,726,600	20,275,200
Trans	2,559,000	2,632,700
Utils	1,510,600	2,433,200
65 Stock	14,796,200	25,341,200

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#90281u1730 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	306.51	up	0.03
High Technology	296.74	up	2.12
Capital Goods	320.69	off	0.59
Consumer Goods	369.02	up	2.02
Service	680.23	up	3.53
Retail	850.39	up	8.66
Financial	354.64	off	2.17
Natural Resources	241.01	off	1.46
Housing-Const-Land	288.33	off	2.68

There was no change in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS			
New England	393.49	up	0.05
Mid Atlantic	395.73	up	0.36
No Central	384.59	up	1.77
So Atlantic	843.02	up	3.71
So Central	301.64	off	0.46
Mountain	110.59	up	0.28
Pacific	343.32	up	2.17
Foreign	237.02	off	1.19

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#90281u1734 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
CORAL GABLES, Fla. (OCT. 8) UPI - The Big East Conference invited the Miami Hurricanes to become its 10th member Monday, and university President Edward T. Foote said a decision on whether to accept would be made Wednesday.

Foote said the matter would be presented to the 55-member board of trustees and a simple majority would be needed for approval. He said he will make a recommendation, but said he would not disclose it until after the meeting.

''What we do know is that the Big East is an extraordinarily successful athletic conference,'' Foote said. ''It represents some fine, fine colleges and universities - old, distinguished, very, very reputable with the kind of values with which we would want to be associated.''

Big East Commissioner Mike Tranghese announced the bid after a five- hour meeting on the Miami campus with officials of University of Miami and various Big East schools. The matter has been under discussion since July.

''As a result of what happened in the last three months and more specifically today, we have extended an invitation to the Univeristy of Miami to become the 10th member of the Big East Conference,'' Tranghese said.

It has become customary for a conference to extend a bid only if it is sure it will be accepted, but Foote and Athletic Director Sam Jankovich insisted no decision has been made by the university.

''There has been no acceptance and nothting can transpire until the meeting takes place on Wednesday,'' Jankovich said.

Tranghese said the conference was only doing the obvious.

''It's probably not the thing to do politically or if you're trying to posture with one another,'' Tranghese said of the bid. ''I've dealt with the university through Sam for a three-month period. It's been pretty obvious as to what our desire has been. There's no reason to come in here and say anything else.''

The Big East is a basketball power and only Syracuse, Pittsburgh and Boston College play football. Jankovich said provisions involving football would be worked out later if Miami accepts the bid.

''We are looking at our commitments and what role football would play,'' Jankovich said.

Among the possibilities would be forming a television and scheduling alliance with the Atlantic Coast Conference or the Southwest conference. A mini-football conference could be established by adding two or three other schools, or two or three other football schools could be added to the Big East.

Miami also has expressed interest in joining the Atlantic Coast Conference, but Commissioner Gene Corrigan said the ACC would not be discussing any further expansion until after Jan. 1. The ACC added Florida State as its ninth member last month.

Tranghese would not comment on the football issue or whether the Big East would be willing to wait until next year for a decision from Miami.

Among other conference possibilities for the University of Miami were the Southeastern Conference, the Metro Conference and the Southwest Conference.

The SEC added Arkansas in August and South Carolina in September after Miami's interest appeared to cool. The idea of expanding the Metro Conference into football drew only brief interest last summer.

If Miami accepts the invitation, it could begin playing a Big East schedule in basketball and non-revenue sports as soon as next year.

Attending the meeting were representatives of Boston College, Syracuse Pittsburgh and Georgetown. The other members of the conference are Connecticut

Providence, St. John's, Seton Hall and Villanova.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday.

Stock		$Volume	Close	Chg.
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	59,009,384	39 5/8	off 3 1/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	36,559,584	66	up 1 1/4
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	27,538,794	17 3/8	off 7/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	24,960,870	32 3/4	off 1/8
St. Jude Medcl	(STJM)	20,621,256	27 1/2	off 1/2
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	18,673,764	60 1/2	off 1 1/2
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	16,503,586	33	up 3/4
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	15,339,818	29 1/8	up 1 1/8
Conner Prphrls	(CNNR)	15,154,881	17 1/2	up 3/8
Price Co	(PCLB)	13,987,188	29 1/2	off 3/4

Composite Index 152.41 up 0.35

NMS volume 55,364,300 shares.

Advances	662
Declines	662
Unchanged	1,474
Total	2,798

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#90281u1756 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) UPI - A suddenly cost-conscience President Bush elected to return to Washington from his Camp David retreat Monday in a four- wheel drive truck rather than aboard his gas-guzzling helicopter.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Bush chose to travel by road rather than air because he wanted to save money while the government was shut down due to the budget crisis.

Fitzwater did not release any figures showing a savings. It was doubtful there were any, however, since the presidential motorcade included a dozen vehicles, including an ambulance, plus three police officers on motorcycles.

The trip to Camp David, in the Maryland mountains north of Washington, may have meant some savings. Bush initially had planned to travel in his new 747 Air Force One for a weekend at his summer home in Maine, where he likely would have taken his fuel-hungry speedboat out for a spin.

At the end of the 90-minute, 50-mile trip back to the White House Monday, Bush leaned into the back of his brown Chevrolet Suburban and pulled out his own luggage.

Due to the government shutdown, there just aren't that many people around the White House to help out the president - for example, there is only one cook working per shift in the White House kitchen.

All but 65 of the White House staff of 383 have been furloughed as non-essential personnel while the government is out of spending authority.

One obvious effect was the absence of a White House reception for David Souter the new Supreme Court justice. The chefs who make the tea and cookies, as well as the staff who pass around the cups and platters, weren't working.

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#90281u1770 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	33.80-33.85	33.00-33.10
North Sea Brent	39.75-39.80	39.00-39.05
West Texas Intermed	38.90-38.95	37.95-38.00
Light Louisiana Sweet	40.10-40.20	39.05-39.15
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	96.00-96.25	94.90-95.15
No. 2 Heating oil	101.35-101.50	101.00-101.25
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	91.50-91.75	90.65-91.15
No. 2 Heating oil	99.20-99.45	98.45-98.70

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) UPI - The Senate moved toward debate Monday on a House-passed budget plan amid Democratic hopes it will pass with Republican support, but with some GOP grumbling over the power it gives Democratic- controlled committees to juggle tax rates.

Senate debate during the unusual Columbus Day holiday was scheduled just hours after the House, meeting into the wee hours Monday morning, passed the Democratic-crafted proposal at about 2:30 a.m. EDT.

The Senate vote could be delayed until early Tuesday if senators use all 10 hours of debate that were permitted.

The outcome of the budget plan vote could determine whether President Bush signs or vetoes a separate temporary federal funding bill, passed by the House and now before the Senate. If approved by the Senate and signed by Bush, the stopgap funding bill would end a three-day government shutdown that was required after the government ran out of money on Saturday.

His signature would allow federal workers to temporarily escape unpaid furloughs and return to work Tuesday after the long holiday weekend. And it would ensure that federal services and programs continue uninterupted, at least until Oct. 20 when the temporary funding bill would expire.

But the House-passed funding bill, expected to be considered by the Senate after the budget plan vote, was virtually identical to the money measure President Bush vetoed on Saturday. That veto, which the House narrowly sustained later in the day, led to the government shutdown.

At the White House, Bush spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Monday afternoon that the president's staff ''has not reached a conclusion'' on whether Bush should sign the temporary spending bill.

The new, less specific budget plan was hastily drafted by Democrats, in consultation with some Republican leaders, after a bipartisan budget blueprint agreed to by Bush and congressional leaders was soundly defeated by the House early Friday.

It has the support of most Senate Democrats and of Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas and other key Senate Republicans. Most House Republicans, including party leaders, opposed the plan after a long day of squabbling Sunday on what budget strategy to use.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell told reporters it was imperative that the Senate pass both the the budget plan and the temporary spending bill.

''I am optimistic,'' said Sen. Wyche Fowler, D-Ga. ''I believe we're going to pass it with a substantial Republican vote.''

''It's going to be a hard sell to get a majority of Republicans to support the budget resolution," said Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., after Senate Republicans met in Dole's office before floor debate began to discuss the package.

He said he would oppose the plan.

''I will vote to support it,'' said Sen. Warren Rudman, R-N.H.

He said he and other Republicans, including Dole, wanted to help move the budget process along to the next stage - legislative implementation of specific spending cuts and tax increases to slash the deficit by $40 billion in the current fiscal year and by $500 billion over five years.

But Rudman echoed concerns expressed by other Republicans that he was afraid that the new budget plan would give congressional tax-writing committees, controlled by Democrats, a chance to alter significantly the tax package contained in the defeated bipartisan budget plan, and to propose raising individual income tax rates on the rich in exchange for a capital gains tax cut sought by Republicans.

Bush and many Republicans have long opposed any tax rate increases, but Republicans have acknowledged in recent days that opposition to the deal may be softening, both on Capitol Hill and at the White House.

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said he would oppose the new budget plan because ''this is not the solution.''

''It is another vague promise that something is going to be done,'' Gramm said. ''At some point you have to stop promising and start acting.''

The new budget plan maintains the framework of the defeated bipartisan proposal, but eliminates many specific tax increases and spending cuts, leaving congressional committees to make those determinations over the next week or so.

Once the House Ways and Means Committee begins its work, it is expected to reduce the size of the Medicare cut from the $60 billion over five years that was in the rejected bipartisan budget plan to about $42 billion.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 35 to 190 points higher.

N.Y. Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	72.75	73.40	72.50	73.20	71.30
Dec	73.05	74.00	73.05	73.76	72.80
Mar	73.80	74.70	73.80	74.52	73.45
May	74.35	75.20	74.35	75.20	74.21
Jly	74.50	75.25	74.50	75.10	74.25
Oct	69.50	69.50	69.30	69.48	69.13
Dec	67.89	68.35	67.89	68.25	67.75

Estimated sales: 5,500 contracts

Open interest: 36,651 up 476

The World spot average was unavailable.

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#90281u1778 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
RJR Nab pf wi	3,048,100	19 3/8	up 1/8
Travelers Cp	2,321,000	14 3/8	off 2
Limited Inc	1,654,800	13	off 3/8
Philip Morris	1,531,400	47 1/2	off 1/4
Pub Serv Colo	1,464,200	20 3/4	up 1/4
Unisys Corp	1,363,600	3 3/4	up 1/8
Waste Mangment	1,158,200	31 3/4	off 1/4
Glaxo Hldg	1,003,100	32	off 1/2
GenCorp	975,600	5 3/4	off 1/8
IBM Corp	901,300	109 1/2	up 1 1/4
Citicorp	881,800	14 1/8	unch
Hanson PLC	841,900	19 3/4	unch
Genl Electric	840,000	54 1/2	up 1/4
USX Corp	812,000	33	up 1/2
Wal-Mart Strs	810,500	26 7/8	up 1/8

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NEW YORK (APRIL 4) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
ENSCO	746,000	3 3/8	off 1/4
BAT Indus	421,700	11 9-16	off 3-16
Salomon Phibro	299,800	3 3/4	unch
Americus T2 sc	291,300	7	up 5/8
Denmark K wt	263,100	18 1/4	off 1 3/8
Paine W Gr wtB	241,200	8 1/2	off 5/8
ICH Corp	231,100	3 1/8	unch
Western Digtl	226,100	6 1/8	off 3/8
Bankers Trs wt	170,800	50	off 2
Salomon p wt May	168,300	3 3/8	up 1/8

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(OCT. 8) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	220.50	131.10	227.90	228.90	227.85
Mar	....	....	....	231.40	230.35
Jun	....	....	....	234.40	233.25

Previous day volume: 38 contracts.
Open interest: 1,146 off 17

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	318.00	318.40	315.10	317.40	314.85
Mar	320.80	321.00	317.85	320.05	317.40
Jun	....	323.50	320.80	323.10	320.40

Today's estimated volume: 35,439 contracts.
Open interest: 150,711 up 525

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	173.60	172.40	170.70	171.65	170.70
Mar	174.90	175.00	174.20	175.10	173.45
Jun	....	....	....	176.50	174.85

Open interest: 4,988 off 503

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	530.00	532.00	523.80	527.10	524.25
Nov	527.00	527.90	524.30	527.00	524.00
Dec	530.00	531.20	526.50	529.00	526.35

Estimated volume 3,821 contracts.
Open interest: 8,274 off 15

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LOUDONVILLE, NY (OCT. 8) UPI - The single most memorable television broadcast was the assassination of John F. Kennedy, according to a survey released Monday on the best of 50 years of television.

The survey by statistics professor Douglas Lonnstrom and history professor Thomas Kelly, both of the Siena College Research Institute, showed the moon walk took a distant second and the mini-series ''Roots'' placed third.

The surveyors conceded the majority of television critics, television station managers, communications professors and other experts who replied might not even have been born the year the show that Life magazine called the first - the New York World's Fair - was broadcast in 1939.

The survey, Kelly said, was slightly skewed toward more recent programs because ''television critics as a group tend not to be in their 60s, but in their 30s.''

He said the survey also indicated there probably was no Golden Age ''real or mythical'' in the 1950s because the bulk of the ''best'' in the survey aired during the 1970s and 1980s.

Only one figure from the 1940s, Milton Berle, appeared on the list, and that was in third place under the category of comedy.

Among the best of currently produced shows were ''L.A. Law'' (6th place, drama series), ''Cheers'' (7th place, comedy series), ''Murphy Brown'' (10th place, comedy series) and ''60 Minutes'' (1st place, news/documentary).

Lonnstrom said 1,085 open-ended questionnaires went out asking experts in the field to nominate three programs or people in each of 20 categories. The survey was based on 127 responses.

Lonnstrom added 11 percent was ''an acceptable response rate.''

Other programs and stars who ran away from the pack were ''Hill Street Blues'' for drama series, the ''Tonight'' show for late night, NBC ''Today'' for early morning and Sesame Street for children's programs (''Howdy Doody'' crawled in at fourth place).

Other routs included Lucille Ball for comedy, James Arness for westerns and Ed Sullivan for variety/music.

There was a tight race for most memorable on-camera figure in television's first half-century, with Rod Serling beating out Larry Hagman by a meager 6 points.

And in the news/documentary category Walter Cronkite won the crown over Edward R. Murrow by 12 points, although Murrow got 14 more first- place votes than Cronkite.

Respondents had color as the most significant innovation in television's first half-century, followed by satellites, but couch potatoes were clearly a presence in the survey.

They elected the remote control as the seventh most significant innovation.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 8) UPI - Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman Richard Breeden said Monday the Bush administration does not support

''force-fed'' U.S. investments in emerging free markets of Eastern Europe.

Former communist bloc countries require foreign capital that can help fuel new democratic market economies, but it is is unrealistic to expect the United States and private investors will pour resources into the largest and least efficient state-owned companies, Breeden said.

''We have no intention of saying that investment should occur on a force-fed basis,'' Breeden told a gathering of international economic policy makers at a symposium sponsored by the Philadelphia Stock Exchange.

He said both the government and U.S. industry are mindful not to ''move so quickly that it would result in unfavorable experiences and a backlash'' against future investments in such countries as Poland, Hungary, Romania and Czechoslovakia.

The SEC chief took part in an exploratory committee meeting for capital markets formation in which some Eastern European representatives complained of little help from the United States and called for assistance reminiscent of the Marshall Plan, the costly program that aided in the economic reconstruction of nations ravaged by World War II.

But Breeden said ''suggestions that U.S. firms and the United States are not doing much in Eastern Europe are simply not true.''

''The U.S. government has an enormous number of initiatives and the U.S. private sector is responding with a substantial volume of investments,'' said Breeden, although he was unable to detail dollar amounts.

Still emerging political and economic policies in the former communist countries are confounding U.S. investment, Breeden said.

''Our firms are not likely to become very, very active in running businesses in Eastern Europe until some of these basic policies are known,'' he said.

There also are concerns on the part of U.S. businesses that despite the sweeping political reforms that have given Eastern Europeans their first taste of freedom in decades, worsening economic conditions will cause a popular flight back to socialism, symposium participants said.

Among the recommendations of the exploratory committee was a two- tiered banking system - in which the functions of commercial banks are separate from central banks.

Breeden said a banking system is a fundamental part of economic development in any country - particularly for fueling small businesses that look to commercial banks for intermediate loans.

But, overall, securities markets provide a ''much lower cost form of credit than bank loans,'' Breeden said.

''Developing countries should look for the lowest cost of capital they can obtain and in the United States it has come out of the securities system,'' he said.

The exploratory committee said securities markets are probably the best way to get Eastern Europeans to invest money they have hidden away, creating a problem of large sums of money squirreled away in mattresses and coffee cans.

Stock exchanges are a more anonymous method of dealing with capital than banks and could help calm many Eastern Europeans who still are reluctant to admit they have money or tell where they got it, the committee noted.

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#90281u1824 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	348.14	up	0.78	354.65	485.73
Industrial	370.44	up	0.34	380.23	472.42
Finance	344.91	up	0.92	347.50	567.23
Insurance	400.01	off	2.14	412.02	549.65
Utility	487.36	up	6.82	483.53	788.51
Bank	252.72	off	0.74	252.59	478.42
Transport	387.57	off	0.34	395.23	486.75

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 341.19

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 152.41 up 0.35

Industrial Index 146.35 up 0.15

NASDAQ-100 Index 359.13 up 2.40

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NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	23	4	10
New lows	108	175	126

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume

Advances	818	51,223,400
Declines	622	36,570,800
Unchanged	488	11,675,800
Total	1,928	99,470,000

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(OCT. 8) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	7
New lows	45

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	238	2,259,100
Declines	259	3,895,600
Unchanged	253	2,045,300
Total	750	8,200,000

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#90281u1839 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	172.38	171.31	171.65	up 0.95
Industrial	214.80	213.44	213.65	up 0.98
Transport	134.79	132.87	133.98	up 0.57
Utility	87.64	87.23	87.64	up 1.10
Finance	112.39	111.23	111.43	up 0.11

Equivalent to a gain of 17 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 99,470,000 shares.

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#90281u1848 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	350.27	347.34	348.14	up 0.78
Industrial	373.35	369.59	370.44	up 0.34
Finance	346.42	344.18	344.91	up 0.92
Insurance	404.39	398.31	400.01	off 2.14

Utility	488.18	483.26	487.36	up 6.82
Bank	255.66	252.51	252.72	off 0.74
Transport	390.17	386.65	387.57	off 0.34

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (9-27) 341.19

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	152.41 up 0.35
Industrial Index	146.35 up 0.15
NASDAQ-100 Index	359.13 up 2.40
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.91 up 0.02
Volume	55,364,300 shares
Advances	662
Declines	662
Unchanged	1,474
Total	2,798

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#90281u1852 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 8) UPI - Oil prices rose nearly $1 a barrel in light holiday trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange Monday, with the effect of buying amplified by many traders taking Columbus Day off.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery ended the day up 96 cents over Friday at $38.95 a barrel on the Merc. Trading volume was a moderate 82,832 contracts.

Some buy orders were apparently triggered when the price of WTI sailed through technical resistance levels at $38.25 and $38.65 a barrel.

''It's a technical move. There was no news today from the Persian Gulf and there was absolutely no news over the weekend,'' said Ed Kevelson of Dean Witter Reynolds' International Energy Futures Group in New York.

''Once prices broke through the $38.25 level, the market moved higher,'' Kevelson said.

Richard Redoglia of Merrill Lynch Futures Inc. in New York said additional momentum was provided when WTI prices went through the $38.60 high of a week ago.

''We went through the highs of last week. That's what helped the market,'' Redoglia said.

''I just don't think there's enough players in the market. A lot of people took the long weekend off. There's not much volume in the market right now,'' Kevelson said.

The trading key for the day was the opening price of $37.70 a barrel, down only 29 cents from Friday's close, said Don Morton of PaineWebber Inc., Andover, Mass.

Since the Persian Gulf crisis began with Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, traders have been buying heavily on Friday because of fears shooting might break out over the weekend and drive prices through the roof.

As a consequence, Monday openings have been roughly $1 a barrel lower after quiet weekends with little news emerging from the Persian Gulf.

''When it opened relatively flat, that gave every reason to own the market,'' Morton said. With a lack of headlines, ''there was no reason to sell the market,'' he said.

WTI traded at a 10-year high of $40.10 a barrel Sept. 27 and the market traditionally moves back toward - retests - a high at least once, barring any news that would moveprices downward.

''I'd be surprised if we don't retest it. If we don't, it'll be because of news,'' Kevelson said.

The retesting, Morton said, ''will come soon, tomorrow or the next day.''

On the Merc, home heating oil for November delivery ended the day up 0.26 cent to $1.0296 a gallon, while November unleaded gasoline climbed 1.11 cents to 93.75 cents a gallon.

On spot markets, where oil is bought and sold for cash, crude prices also advanced.

On the European market, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent crude gained 75 cents to $39.75 a barrel.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - finished the day at $33.80 a barrel, up 80 cents, after being down 60 cents in earlier trading.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt-delivery WTI rose 95 cents to $38.90 a barrel.

Sun Co., based in Radnor, Pa., and Marathon Oil Co., USX Corp.'s Findlay, Ohio subsidiary, raised the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead, Marathon by $1 to $37.75 a barrel for WTI and Sun by 75 cents to$37.50 a

barrel.

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BOSTON (OCT. 8) UPI - The owner of Boston's landmark Bull & Finch Pub announced Monday the bar would not change its name to ''Cheers,'' the television comedy it inspired, because of objections from loyal patrons.

Pub owner Thomas Kershaw said the Bull & Finch had been negotiating with California-based Paramount Pictures, producer of ''Cheers,'' to make the name change, ''but our regulars made a compelling case to keep the Bull & Finch tradition alive.''

Created in 1969 as a neighborhood bar, the pub became an international tourist draw 1982 when ''Cheers'' producers made it the basis of the NBC television series. The Bull & Finch is now one of Boston's top attractions, claiming more than 500,000 visitors a year.

The television show is broadcast in 50 countries and ''Cheers'' lead actor Ted Danson recently won an Emmy for best actor for his portrayal of bartender Sam Malone.

''We debated merging our identity completely with the show,'' Kershaw said. ''But I think the pub - and Boston - would have lost something in the bargain. The Bull & Finch Pub is still basically a neighborhood bar. Our neighborhood has just gotten a lot bigger.''

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#90281u1867 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941- 43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg
400 Ind	371.22	367.02	369.18	up	0.59
20 Trans	220.20	218.51	220.40	up	0.66
40 Utils	138.39	136.51	138.24	up	1.27
40 Fncl	21.08	20.71	20.79	unch	
500 Stocks	315.03	311.50	313.48	up	0.64

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NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	367.02	218.95	136.51	20.79	311.50
Opening	371.11	222.18	137.73	21.07	314.94
11 a.m.	369.20	218.57	137.70	20.82	313.32
Noon	369.47	219.32	137.84	20.78	313.53
1 p.m.	369.49	219.70	138.09	20.79	313.63
2 p.m.	368.70	219.64	138.04	20.74	313.03
3 p.m.	368.85	219.59	138.18	20.75	313.19
Close	369.18	220.40	138.24	20.79	313.48
Change	up 0.59	up 0.66	up 1.27	unchanged	up 0.64

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NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Monday	369.18	220.40	138.24	20.79	313.48
Friday	367.02	218.95	136.51	20.79	311.50
Week ago	370.54	221.24	137.36	21.59	314.94
Month ago	380.57	230.66	128.93	23.92	321.63
Year ago	410.49	327.88	145.28	35.24	359.80
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	355.10	213.23	124.60	19.88	300.97

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MONROVIA, Liberia (OCT. 8) UPI - A Liberian general who has occupied the executive mansion since President Samuel Doe was killed rejected demands from an international peacekeeping force Monday that his remaining troops surrender.

In his first interview, Brig. Gen. David Nimely said he was committed to a cease-fire but his estimated 1,000 troops will not yield the parts of capital they now control.

Two rival rebel leaders and a five-nation peacekeeping force also have staked out territories after more than nine months of civil war.

''No one can tell me that he wants to evacuate the Armed Forces of Liberia. We will not permit that. We have nowhere else to go. This republic of Liberia is ours,'' Nimely said, speaking in the cavernous, marble-floored audience hall of the nearly deserted presidential mansion.

Doe's death, at the orders of rebel leader Prince Johnson, does not mean the armed forces no longer have a constitutional role, he argued in refusing to

surrender to the forces of the Economic Community of West African States.

''When Abraham Lincoln and John F. Kennedy were assassinated, they never asked the army out of the United States. The constitutional army is still existing. We are not Doe's army. When I joined the army, Doe was 7 years old,'' he said.

Nimely, a 57-year-old one-star general, considers himself a caretaker until the arrival of the interim government now in Sierra Leone. He has been head of the interim National Defense Council since Doe's death Sept. 9.

A member of the Gribo ethnic group from Maryland county, Nimely said most of the soldiers now left are Krahn, from the late president's minority tribe.

The armed forces of Liberia have carried out ethnic massacres during the course of the 10-month war.

Johnson has accused Nimely of ordering the killings of 200 children in Nimba county last May.

Nimely, who denied the charge Monday, said the two rebel factions should stop fighting now that Doe is dead.

''O.K., they murdered Doe. But the rest of the Liberian people are not Doe. But still, they are carrying on killing, secretly and openly.''

He accused the forces of the other rebel leader, Charles Taylor, of carrying out the mass killing of unarmed Krahn civilians in Doe's home county of Grand Gedeh.

Nimely appealed to the international community to relieve the suffering of his army, which has been under siege in the city for a hundred days.

''I want you to pass that message to the outside world - We need help, we need food to help the suffering people of this nation.''

Monrovia has been without water and electricity since July 2. Johnson's forces captured the Liberian capital's water and electricity supply plant from Taylor's troops Monday.

While the water plant at White Plains appeared to be in reasonable condition, the hydroelectric dam at Mount Coffee, 10 miles (16 km) north of Monrovia, had collapsed.

People living nearby said the dam wall had burst under pressure from a buildup of water during the rainy season.

Johnson said he hoped to get the water plant working again before the wet season comes to an end in two weeks.

Driven out by harsh conditions, another 3,000 refugees arrived in the Sierra Leone capital of Freetown aboard a Ghanian merchant vessel Sunday.

Many of the evacuees were malnourished or had cholera or diarrhea and required medical treatment. Ten people died aboard the Tano River, the Red Cross said.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 8) UPI - Colorado's fifth-down victory over Missouri was allowed Monday to stand by the Big Eight Conference, but the league suspended the officiating crew that worked the game.

Big Eight Commissioner Carl James, in a news release, said the crew headed by long-time referee J.C. Louderback was ''given an immediate suspension for an indefinite period'' after the crew admitted it had made a mistake.

''We (the officials) are human,'' Louderback said. ''We err. And we feel terrible in regards to the circumstances at the end of the game.''

Colorado Coach Bill McCartney earlier said he was not going to change the final score of the game, as other coaches have done when faced with similar situations.

''I have given them (Colorado administrators) my opinion that in no way, shape or form would we forfeit this game if I have anything to do about it,'' he said.

Louderback's crew apparently lost track of the number of downs used by Colorado after the Buffaloes had reached first-and-goal from the Missouri 3-yard line.

Colorado quarterback Charles Johnson grounded the ball on first down and Eric Bieniemy ran for 2 yards on the second play. After a time out, Bieniemy ran inside for no gain. The Buffaloes, told by the officials it still was third down, again grounded the ball to stop the clock with 2 seconds left.

On the next play, Johnson kept the ball on a sneak and was ruled to have scored the touchdown that gave Colorado, which dropped from ninth to 11th in the UPI ratings, a 33-31 victory.

John A. McClintock, Big Eight Conference Supervisor of Football Officials, said in the release it was a most unfortunate error and that conference personnel ''were distraught over the impact of the error on players, coaches and fans who rely on football game officials for the highest level of integrity and game management.''

McCartney said he did not knowingly run the fifth down, but was going by the officials, the on-field down marker and the scoreboard.

''After having talked to everybody on our staff who was on the sideline, none of us picked up the fact that we were getting a fifth down,'' he said. ''The way we operated was in good faith.

''We thought that it was second down with 18 seconds to go. We thought that was the way it was supposed to be, even though we were wrong, and we proceeded accordingly.''

Missouri Coach Bob Stull said he was working under the same assumptions as McCartney since the officials, down marker and scoreboard all were in agreement, even if the coaching staff felt otherwise.

''We had a hard time believing that we could be right,'' he said.

''It's a lot easier for a fan or a coach to emotionally get involved and make a mistake in a game than an official because all seven of them keep track of the down - all seven of them. Everybody there said it was fifth down, but my comment was, 'How can that possibly be? There's no way that could happen.'''

The suspended crew has a total of 177 years of officiating experience, including 57 accumulated years with the Big Eight and 19 NCAA Division I bowl assignments. The crew was scheduled to work a Big Eight game on Saturday.

''Through the entire episode the coaches and players were very professional,'' Louderback said. ''In officiating, you work the game for the players and your feeling is the game should be determined by the players, not the coaches or officials on the field. It's always a tough feeling when a rule or an error in a rule becomes a factor in the game.''

Stull said: ''There's not a lot to explain. Obviously there was an error in the officiating. The fact is that we didn't win the game based on what occurred, so what can you say?''

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#90281u1916 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

DUMFRIES, Scotland (OCT. 8) UPI - The man who was chief of police the night a terrorist bomb destroyed a jumbo jet 31,000 feet above the Scottish border described the horror of the disaster at an inquiry Monday.

John Boyd told of the grim search for bodies in the town of Lockerbie, at a local golf course and in surrounding farmland, forests and moors after Pan Am Flight 103 was bombed Dec. 21, 1988.

''It was horrific for all concerned,'' the former chief constable of Dumfries

and Galloway said on the fourth day of a Scottish disaster inquiry.

Many of the 270 people who were killed were extremely mutilated and disfigured he said, and 17 were vaporized where the aircraft's fuel- laden wings fell, creating a huge, blazing crater.

''It was decided that relatives should be persuaded to desist from viewing bodies unless accompanied by a medical adviser,'' he said. ''Only two people made visual identification and they were both doctors.''

Identification was based on photographs, distinguishing marks, physical abnormalities, clothing, personal property, official documents, medical and dental records, X-rays and fingerprints, Boyd said.

Two bodies and 658 bags of human remains remained unidentified. They were cremated and a symbolic committal service was held at Dryfesdale Cemetery in Lockerbie.

Boyd emphasized the importance he had placed on keeping relatives of the dead informed and he said he had arranged for his deputy to brief them daily.

''The relatives' grief manifested itself in various ways from shock and horror to frustation and anger and mounting pressure for the early release of bodies '' he said.

Boyd, who was named an inspector of constabulary in Scotland five months after the disaster, said he was at home in Dumfries when he first heard of the crash on a TV news flash. Almost simultaneously he received a phone call from his force headquarters.

From the start, Boyd said he decided to treat the investigation as a criminal inquiry because of the problems facing him - the fact that his force was the smallest in Britain with just 344 officers, the fact that it was the longest night in the year, the fact that debris was spread over a huge area and the fact that the victims were from 21 nations.

''I knew the inquiry would be colossal,'' he said.

Boyd said he laid down five principles - accuracy, coordination between the various agencies, meticulous gathering of evidence with no short cuts, proper timing of information released to the media, and the establishment of well-controlled diplomatic channels for inquiries overseas.

Boyd said he received help from seven police forces. On the night of the disaster 486 officers took part in the operation, and the following day 957. The number rose to 1,043 Dec. 23 and was maintained until Dec. 31.

Repeating previously released information, Boyd said Scottish police decided

an anonymous warning telephoned to the U.S. Embassy in Helsinki 16 days before the Pan Am bombing was unrelated to the bombing of Flight 103 but was part of a personal vendetta.

A caller said that within two weeks a Finnish woman would carry a bomb on to a Pan Am aircraft flying from Frankfurt, West Germany, to New York - the same course the ill-fated Boeing 747 was following, with a stop in London.

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#90281u1935 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 8) UPI - A federal judge has temporarily blocked Advanced Micro Devices Inc. from use of the name AM386 on a new microprocessor in a trademark infringement dispute with rival Intel Corp.

U.S. District Judge William Ingram issued a temporary restraining order Friday that prevents Sunnyvale-based AMD from use of the name until at least Oct. 15 when Ingram set a full hearing on the trademark dispute.

Intel was ordered to post a $1 million bond to repay Advanced Micro against the possibility the suit lacks merit.

John Greenagel, spokesman for AMD said Monday his firm is not barred from sale of the chip, only from use of the ''386'' numerals in connection with it.

He said AMD had no intention of selling the new microprocessor prior to Oct. 15.

AMD has retaliated with a countersuit against Intel accusing the company of misappropriation of trade secrets, conversion and unfair competition.

The AMD suit seeks an injunction, $10 million in punitive damages and an unspecified amount of compensatory damages.

Intel maintains it has a proprietary interest in the number ''386,'' which refers to the highly valuable 80386 microprocessor developed by Santa Clara-based Intel.

AMD says the 386 designation has gained widespread generic visibility and is used by other computer companies, such as Compaq, to identify products that contain no Intel parts.

Pam Pollace, Intel spokeswoman said Ingram's order ''prevents AMD from announcing any product using that trademark designation.''

Greenagel would not comment on the possibility of the company introducing the new chip under a different name either before or after October 15.

''We are hoping the judge will lift the order after a full blown hearing,'' Greenagel said.

Douglas Derwin, attorney for AMD, said, ''The marketplace does not recognize 386 as an Intel trademark.''

Lois Abraham, Intel's attorney countered the marketplace would be confused if AMD is allowed to announce AM386.

''The numbers have not become generic,'' she argued.

Derwin charged that Intel improperly obtained the information about AMD's plans to introduce AM386.

He said documents mailed to an AMD employee were mistakenly delivered to an Intel employee of the same name. Intel filed suit after sending copies of the information to journalists and stock analysts.

Derwin accused Intel of misappropriation by telling everyone exactly the same information that its court suit is now seeking to prevent AMD from doing.

Ingram remarked, ''That might be a good point.''

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(OCT. 8) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Brenton Banks	Q	.11	10-30	10-18
Usual				
AFA Protective Sys	Q	.35	12-14	11-30
Binks Mfg	Q	.30	10-31	10-18
Mark Twain Bncshs	Q	.22	11-9	10-19
Polaroid Corp Amer	Q	.15	12-29	11-30
VWR Corp	Q	.20	12-5	11-9
Wyle Laboratories	Q	.07	10-31	10-15
Xerox Corp	Q	.75	1-1	12-7

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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#90281u1960 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 431.55, up 0.46 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90281u1963 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

HOLLYWOOD (OCT. 8) UPI - ''Marked for Death,'' Steven Seagal's latest action-revenge flick, killed the competition at the nation's box office in its debut, taking in $10.5 million over the weekend at 1,968 screens.

The explosive success of ''Marked for Death'' shows the strong appeal of Seagal, whose previous films - ''Above the Law'' and ''Hard to Kill'' - also scored impressively at the box office. Twentieth Century Fox has heavily marketed the film with an almost exclusive emphasis on Seagal, who plays a former drug agent fighting drug dealers.

Ticket sales for ''Marked for Death'' were more than double the No. 2 film, Disney's 50th anniversary release of the classic ''Fantasia,'' which made a strong comeback in its opening weekend with an estimated $5.2 million at 481 screens. That gave ''Fantasia'' an impressive $10, 633 per-screen average.

The animated feature, which cost $2.5 million to make in 1940, was regarded as a box-office flop during its initial release.

Last weekend's No. 1, ''Pacific Heights,'' dropped to third place with $5.1 million at 1,283 screens. The thriller, which stars Melanie Griffith and Matthew Modine as landlords with Michael Keaton as a problem tenant, has grossed $14 million for Fox in 10 days.

The two Fox films and ''Fantasia'' will probably stay near the top next week. Major openings include Warner's World War II flying drama ''Memphis Belle'' and Disney's ''Mr. Destiny'' with Michael Caine and James Belushi.

''Ghost,'' which should become the year's biggest hit in a few more weeks, materialized in the No. 4 spot with $4.7 million at 1,766 screens over the weekend. It was the first time in 13 weeks that ''Ghost'' has not finished amongthe top three weekend films.

''Ghost'' has scared up $161.5 million for Paramount and trails only Disney's ''Pretty Woman'' among this year's top-grossing movies. ''Pretty Woman'' has garnered $174.8 million after 30 weeks in release and is still showing at 868 screens.

The mobster drama ''GoodFellas,'' which debuted two weeks ago in the No. 1 spot, was in fifth place with a still-lively $4.5 million weekend at 1,328

screens. The Warner release, starring Robert De Niro and Ray Liotta, has put the strong arm on moviegoers for $21.6 million in 17 days.

''Postcards From the Edge,'' which opened at No. 1 three weeks ago, delivered an acceptable $2.9 million at 1,321 screens for the No. 6 spot. The show-biz comedy, starring Meryl Streep and Shirley MacLaine, has taken in $27.5 million in less than four weeks for Columbia.

The life-after-death drama ''Flatliners,'' starring Julia Roberts and Kiefer Sutherland, improved from eighth to seventh with $1.25 million at 1,306 screens. Its nine-week total has hit a lively $55.5 million for Columbia.

Columbia's train thriller ''Narrow Margin,'' starring Gene Hackman and Anne Archer, nearly disappeared with $1.23 million at 1,238 screens and wound up in eighth place. It has grossed $8.5 million in 17 days.

''Desperate Hours,'' a drama about a family terrorized by escaped convicts, received a chilly welcome in its debut weekend, with $1.2 million at 1,033 screens for MGM/UA, and finished ninth. The film does not seem likely to resurrect the career of director Michael Cimino, whose stock has fallen since his 1978 hit, ''The Deer Hunter.''

Paramount's Gene Wilder comedy ''Funny About Love,'' posted a weak $1.1 million in its third weekend at 1,039 screens, giving it a 17-day gross of $6.8 million.

Barry Levinson's latest Baltimore-based drama, ''Avalon,'' opened strongly for Columbia at seven screens with a $184,968 gross over the weekend.

The top 10, weekend gross, total gross and weeks in release:

1. ''Marked for Death,'' $10.5 million, 1 week.
2. ''Fantasia,'' $5.2 million, 1 week.
3. ''Pacific Heights,'' $5.1 million, $14 million, 2 weeks.
4. ''Ghost,'' $4.7 million, $161.5 million, 13 weeks.
5. ''GoodFellas,'' $4.5 million, $21.6 million, 3 weeks.
6. ''Postcards From the Edge,'' $2.9 million, $27.5 million, 4 weeks.
7. ''Flatliners,'' $1.25 million, $55.5 million, 9 weeks.
8. ''Narrow Margin,'' $1.23 million, $8.5 million, 3 weeks.
9. ''Desperate Hours,'' $1.20 million, 1 week.
10. ''Funny About Love,'' $1.1 million, $6.8 million, 3 weeks.

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#90281u1967 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 8) UPI - Judge David Souter, a quiet New Englander with a murky judicial record, was ceremonially sworn in at the White House Monday as the 105th justice of the Supreme Court.

Chief Justice William Rehnquist administered the oath to Souter, 51, in the East Room before a large audience that included President Bush, other Supreme Court justices, members of Congress and the Cabinet.

In remarks before the ceremony, Bush said Souter had ''demonstrated his lifelong devotion to principle, a straightforward, enduring principle, that the role he is assigned to is to interpret the laws and not to make them.''

Bush quoted Souter's remarks during his confirmation hearings that judges must always be aware when they act that ''some human life is going to be affected by what we do.''

After taking the oath, Souter said, ''I will try to pass on the constitutional authority that I received this afternoon. I will try to use it the best I can according to the light that God gives me.''

Among those witnessing the ceremony was Justice William H. Brennan, the leading liberal on the court, whose retirement opened the door for Souter's nomination. The 84-year-old justice stood and was applauded by the audience when Bush singled him out in his remarks.

Souter, a former New Hampshire attorney general and member of that state's supreme court, had moved up to the federal bench in April of this year, becoming a member of the 1st U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals based in Boston.

Bush selected Souter as his first nominee for the Supreme Court just three days after Brennan's retirement in late July. Souter is the court's youngest member and his lifetime appointment could easily run beyond 2015.

White House chief of staff John Sununu, former governor of New Hampshire, was among those who recommended Souter, whose keen intellect has been highly praised, but whose scanty judicial record and reticence has left the nation largely in the dark on where he stands on major issues confronting the court.

During his confirmation hearings, Souter deflected questions about his views on abortion and - despite strong opposition from some women's rights groups - the Senate confirmed him by a 90-9 vote on Oct. 2.

White House officials said Souter, a bachelor, actually was sworn in as a justice on Oct. 3 by an administrative officer at the court and Monday's event was ceremonial.

On Tuesday, he was scheduled to join his eight ''brethren'' on the court in a judicial ceremony. On Wednesday, he will participate in hearing in one of the year's major cases - a dispute over the legality of company policies that exclude women from jobs that might endanger a developing fetus.

A Rhodes Scholar, Souter holds degrees from Harvard University and Harvard Law School and studied legal philosophy at Oxford University. His home is in Weare N.H.

While he addressed very few major issues during his state court tenure and brief time of the federal bench, Souter was generally viewed as a moderate based on his confirmation testimony. But court observers see Souter as playing a potentially decisive role on the court, providing a pivotal fifth vote to create a more solid conservative majority on the nine-member court.

Bush, who is strongly against abortion, inisted that in selecting Souter he did not apply a ''litmus test'' on abortion, civil rights or other controversial issues. Opponents to Souter failed to generate the firestorm of criticism that torpedoed President Reagan's nomination of controversial appellate court Judge Robert Bork.

Souter is the eighth consecutive member of the court named by a Republican president, counting Reagan's elevation of Rehnquist, a sitting justice, to the position of chief justice.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Afffliated Fund 9.11 9.77

Anchor Fund Inv	14.25	15.12
Delaware Mutual	16.59	17.79
Fidelity Fund	16.10	16.10
Investors Mutual	10.59	11.15
Investors Stocks	17.71	18.65
Investors Select	8.30	8.74
IDS Equity Plus	8.64	9.10
Mass Inv Growth	7.81	8.42
Nicholas Fund	3.19	3.19
United Accumulated	6.06	6.62
United Income	16.19	17.69
Vanguard Wellington	15.85	15.85

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MIAMI (OCT. 8) UPI - Tropical Storm Klaus rejuvenated in the Atlantic and threatened the Bahamas with 40 mph winds Monday, while Tropical Storm Lili sprang to life in the central Atlantic with 65 mph winds.

Tropical storm warnings were raised for the central Bahamas and a tropical storm watch was in effect for the northern Bahamas.

Heavy rains and gusty winds were reported over the central and southeastern islands Monday. Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami predicted those conditions would continue, increasing for the central Bahamas Monday night and Tuesday as Klaus strengthens and moves toward the northwest.

''There are quite a few heavy thunderstorms in the northern side but it will be highly variable. They'll get anywhere from almost nothing to 10 to 15 inches, depending on where the rainbands fall,'' said Roger Edwards, a meteorologist at the hurricane center.

Klaus developed from a tropical depression and rapidly grew to hurricane strength last week.

On Thursday, Klaus dumped up to 10 inches of rain on the Lesser Antilles, triggering floods that killed six people and left two others missing.

Atmospheric winds tugged the storm apart and Klaus was downgraded Sunday to a tropical depression.

But satellite pictures and reports from ships and Air Force reconnaissance planes indicated Klaus had reorganized and once again crossed the 39 mph tropical storm threshold Monday afternoon.

At 6 p.m. EDT, Klaus was centered near latitude 22.2 north, longitude 70.8 west, or about 470 miles southeast of the Bahamian capital of Nassau. Klaus was moving northwest near 15 mph and was expected to continue that motion for the next day or two.

Maximum sustained winds were near 40 mph and forecasters said some increase in strength was likely during the next 24 hours. Tropical storm-force winds extended up to 115 miles north of the center.

''It's really too early to tell exactly where Klaus is going to go, mainly because it is still a fairly poorly organized storm, but it is intensifying,'' Rogers said.

''It's going to maintain its current course for the next day or so, then our models take it anywhere from the Florida Straits to the Florida-Georgia border.

''We are projecting it to strengthen to become a fairly healthy tropical storm I won't gamble beyond that. It is going to be moving over very warm water in the Bahamas. The islands themselves should not mess with the intensification process because they're low, flat and small.''

Tropical Storm Lili, the 12th named storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, formed Monday in the open Atlantic.

At 6 p.m. EDT, Lili was centered near latitude 32.7 north, longitude 47.5 west

or about 1,000 miles west-southwest of the Azores. It was moving southwest near 7 mph and was expected to continue that motion through Tuesday.

Lili's maximum sustained winds were near 65 mph and forecasters said some increase in strength was likely during the next 24 hours. If its circulating winds reach 74 mph, it would become a hurricane.

''Lili was an unusual situation. It originated from a low-pressure system out in the Atlantic and moved south and became a warm-core system. It didn't originate from a tropical wave. It's not normal but it's not rare either,'' Edwards said.

''Lili is drifting around over open water and is not a threat to anything but shipping,'' he said.

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MARLBORO, Mass. (OCT. 8) UPI - Stratus Computer Inc. said Monday it won a $3.5 million contract to provide five fault-tolerant computers for the automation of the Spanish national lottery.

The company said the computers will be used as communications processors on the new system which is expected to begin operating in 1992.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 8) UPI - Mariano Duncan, expected to ride the bench during the playoffs, ignited Cincinnati's hitting attack Monday with a three- run homer and four RBI, powering the Reds to a 6-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates and a 2-1 lead in the National League Championship Series.

Duncan, hitless in his first eight playoff at-bats, went 3-for-5 and snapped a 2-2 tie with his fifth-inning shot off loser Zane Smith. Duncan was backed in the Reds' 13-hit performance by Billy Hatcher as the two accounted for all the team's runs.

Hatcher went 3-for-4 and took Smith deep in the second inning to stake Cincinnati to a 2-0 lead.

The best-of-seven series continues Tuesday night in Pittsburgh with Game 1 starters Jose Rijo and Bob Walk on the mound.

Cincinnati's Danny Jackson went 5 1-3 innings, yielding seven hits and two runs, with four strikeouts and three walks. Reliever Rob Dibble, who has struck out eight of the 13 batters he has faced in the playoffs, struck out three in 1 2-3 innings. Randy Myers worked the ninth, striking out the side,

for his second save of the series.

Smith lasted five innings, surrendering eight hits and five runs. The left-hander struck out five and walked none.

Deadlocked 2-2 after four innings, Hatcher led off the fifth with a double to left-center and moved to third on Jackson's sacrifice. Third baseman Jeff King saved a run by knocking down Barry Larkin's smash down the line and holding Hatcher at third, but Larkin legged out a hit. Duncan, starting only because of a September injury to Bill Doran, made King's great defensive play irrelevant, smashing his three-run shot to left-center.

The Pirates closed to 5-3 in the eighth on Duncan's error at second. Barry Bonds singled off Norm Charlton and Don Slaught walked. Slaught was out at second on a fielder's choice, but Bonds scored on Duncan's high throw to first in a shot at a double play.

The Reds added a run in the ninth off Stan Belinda when Joe Oliver and pinch-hitter Hal Morris singled and Duncan followed with a single, his fourth RBI of the game.

Pittsburgh, held to just one hit in the first three innings, tied the score 2-2 with a pair of runs in the fourth.

Jay Bell opened with a double down the left-field line, Andy Van Slyke worked Jackson for a walk and Bobby Bonilla ripped a single up the middle to score Bell. After Bonds popped up, Carmelo Martinez smacked a double that hugged the left-field line to bring in Bonilla. But then the Pirates' uprising suddenly ended.

The Reds intentionally walked Slaught to load the bases with one out and the strategy worked, with Lind striking out and Smith bouncing back to the mound to end the inning.

Cincinnati grabbed a 2-0 lead in the second thanks to Hatcher's two- run homer. With two outs, Oliver singled to left and Hatcher followed with a home run to left-center. It was Hatcher's first hit of the playoffs and first homer since Aug. 31.

Smith ducked more trouble in the fourth. With one out, Glenn Braggs and Todd Benzinger singled, but Smith got Oliver to ground into an inning-ending double play.

Jackson wiggled out of a jam in the fifth. After King and Bell opened with singles, Jackson got Van Slyke to fly out and Bonilla to pop up. Bonds walked to load the bases, but Jackson escaped the inning scoreless when Martinez popped out.

Jackson finally was chased in the sixth when Jose Lind doubled with one out, but Dibble came on to fan the next two batters.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - NLCS BOX SCORE:

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Larkin ss	5	1	1	0	King 3b	5	0	1	0
Duncan 2b	5	1	3	4	JBell ss	5	1	2	0
Sabo 3b	5	0	1	0	VanSlyke cf	4	1	0	0
Davis lf	4	0	0	0	Bonilla rf	4	0	1	1
Braggs rf	4	0	1	0	Bonds lf	3	1	1	0
Benzinger 1b	4	0	1	0	Martinez 1b	4	0	1	1
Oliver c	4	1	2	0	Slaught c	2	0	1	0
Bates pr	0	1	0	0	Lind 2b	4	0	1	0
Reed c	0	0	0	0	Smith p	2	0	0	0
Hatcher cf	4	2	3	2	Landrum p	0	0	0	0
Jackson p	1	0	0	0	Redus ph	1	0	0	0
Dibble p	1	0	0	0	Smiley p	0	0	0	0
Charlton p	0	0	0	0	Reynolds ph	1	0	0	0
Morris ph	1	0	1	0	Belinda p	0	0	0	0
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Dibble	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	3
Charlton	1	1	1	0	1	1
Myers (S 2)	1	0	0	0	0	3
Pittsburgh						
Smith (L 0-1)	5	8	5	5	0	5
Landrum	1	0	0	0	0	1
Smiley	2	2	0	0	0	0
Belinda	1	3	1	1	0	1

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#90281u2045 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 8) UPI - Senate Republicans are expressing their dismay that a House-passed budget plan will give committees dominated by the Democrats more power. The Senate began debate on the budget this afternoon... just hours after the House approved it. The outcome of the Senate vote could determine whether President Bush signs or vetoes a separate temporary federal funding bill designed to end a government shutdown.

There are conflicting reports on what caused the worst incident in the three years of the Palestinian uprising. Israeli troops fired on Palestinian protesters in Jerusalem's Old City today, killing 19 and wounding more than 150. Palestinians call the incident a massacre. Israel says the violence was a premeditated effort to shift world attention from the Persian Gulf crisis to the Palestinian cause.

The Persian Gulf crisis cost the lives of at least two more Americans today. An Air National Guard plane from Alabama crashed in Saudi Arabia. Both crewmen were killed. Also... a search is on in the Arabian Sea for two missing Marine helicopters and their eight crewmen. 21 American military personnel have been killed during the military build-up that followed Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

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#90281u2047 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 8) UPI - The astronauts aboard the shuttle Discovery have signed off for the day. But before they went to sleep, Discovery sailed past the half-way point of its four-day mission in space. The astronauts made a television appearance to sing ''Happy Birthday'' to the wife of crew member Thomas Akers. Astronaut Kathryn Thornton said she DOESN'T think ''The New Kids in Space'' are going to replace The New Kids on the Block as teen heart- throbs.

South Africa's top official met with the country's top black leader again today. Afterward, President Frederik de Klerk said he will allow thousands of exiles to return home and more political prisoners to be released. Black leader Nelson Mandela asked for the meeting to present what he said was proof of security force involvement in factional black violence.

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#90281u2132 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (OCT. 8) UPI - Hotel Investors Trust, which was to be the target of two potential bidders at its shareholders meeting this week, said Monday

that both prospective deals have been withdrawn.

The bids were being made by First West Capital Corp. of Newport Beach, Calif., which had offered $63.5 million, of $5.25 a share; and Japan-based EIE International, which had made a bid of $63.5 million.

The company, which owns 37 hotels across the United States, said it had allowed the First West proposal to lapse because of ''concerns'' over the abilility of First West to complete the deal. Hotel Investors said First West may submit a revised offer.

Hotel Investors said that EIE had said that it did not want to get into a bidding contest and was withdrawing its bid. But it also said that discussions with EIE were continuing.

The company did not elaborate as to why the proposals were withdrawn. It also said that the annual meeting, scheduled for Friday, could be postponed. Shareholders were expecting to vote on the bids at that meeting before the proposals were withdrawn.

The company has been hit by increasingly competitive conditions in the hotel industry. Its stock has dropped from $25 a share in the mid- 1980s to its current range of about $4 a share.

Hotel Investors Trust shares are traded on a paired basis with its management company, Hotel Investors Corp. The stock fell 37.5 cents Monday to $3.50 a share on the New York Stock Excahnge.

The hotels are operated in 18 states under such names as Ramada, Hilton, Holiday Inn, Days Inn, Sheraton, Vagabound Inn and Embassy Suites.

Hotel Investors also said a previously announced $152 million sale of 27 of the hotels to EIE has been delayed until Dec. 28.

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#90281u2136 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (OCT. 8) UPI - Among the items that have turned up in the Exxon oil spill goods being auctioned this week were handcuffs and pictures of a protest demonstration stashed in one of hundreds of Exxon desks up for bid.

Handcuffs, handcuff cases, shackles, holsters, ammunition boxes, pistol cleaners, gun cases, surveillance cameras, binoculars and security badge-makingmachines were among the law enforcement items purchased by Exxon to handle security during the oil spill cleanup.

The police equipment represented a tiny fraction of the goods for sale to the highest bidder on Tuesday, Day 1 of a four-day auction of Exxon oil spill

cleanup materials.

''With the security that existed on this project, those security people had to have supplies to do their job,'' explained Rob Mackay of Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers International, which purchased everything from Exxon to sell to the highest bidder.

Dozens of boxes of mace also were being sold, but the chief reason for the mace was to ward off bears that posed a threat at remote beach sites. At least one bear was shot and killed by a cleanup crew guard.

The ''Counter Assault'' mace, showing a grizzly bear on the can, is ''to drive away aggressive attacks,'' according to the label.

A guard shack also was on the auction block.

Additional evidence of Exxon's security operations could be found inside desk drawers where there were pictures of protestors at one of the anti-spill demonstrations triggered by the nation's biggest oil spill. The apparent surveillance shots show close-ups of participants at a protest rally.

Exxon obviously never even bothered to clean out some of the desks turned over for the giant auction.

Next to one desk, inside a portable trailer for sale with its contents, was a cooler containing unopened cans of soda - floating in long-since-melted ice - along with unopened bags of potato chips.

Some desks still contained Exxon notebooks with notes, including lists of needed supplies, plus an assortment of items making it appear almost as if the desks were still in use. There were overtime forms, port rules, safety tips and even Exxon's policy on alcohol use.

But the auction inventory of 4,844 lots to be sold - some lots containing one item, some containing scores of items - said right up front: ''every item sold as is, where is.''

Even some of the outhouses up for bid still had obscene pictures and graffiti on the walls.

Other items were cleaned up for the sale. An Exxon float plane, with the Exxon tiger insignia on the tail of the plane, had the word ''Exxon'' imperfectly painted over in white, but the oil company name was visible.

Boats, refrigerators, trailers, fleets of all kinds of vehicles, chains, anchors, restaurant supplies, furniture, telephones, typewriteres, copiers and other office equipment were used. But there were numerous new items, including thousands of coveralls, rainsuits and shoes.

''It looks like Exxon cornered the market on flip-flops,'' one prospective bidder said as he emerged from a van filled with thousands of pairs of new sandals, still in their plastic wraps.

Toiletries included condoms, auctioneer Dave Ritchie said. Also up for bid were boxes of shaving cream, deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes, mouth wash, tampons and over-the-counter medicine for every ailment from constipation to hemorrhoids to coughs and colds.

Exxon even had motor oil for sale from Chevron and Quaker State.

There were waste baskets for sale and even ''EXIT'' signs.

''Well, do you think the oil spill's over?'' quipped one would-be bidder strolling onto an auction site stacked with materials.

Exxon spent $2 billion responding to the 11-million-gallon spill that occurred when the tanker Exxon Valdez rammed a reef March 24, 1989.

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#90281u2152 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 8) UPI - Senators are arguing the pros and cons of a new budget plan passed early this morning by the House. The measure is NOT as specific as the one defeated by the House last week. The new budget gives Democratic-controlled House committees a strong say in how to alter tax rates to raise revenues, and some Republican senators are NOT pleased with that.

The Supreme Court is back at full strength after David Souter was sworn in by Chief Justice William Rehnquist today. President Bush attended the ceremony at the White House, praising Souter as a jurist who will ''interpret the laws and NOT make them.'' Souter said he would fill the post- in his words- ''the best I can according to the light that God gives me.''

Moslem sources in Lebanon say doctors examined three British hostages today in preparation for their release. One of the three was reportedly Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite. There was NO word on where the examinations took place, or on when the hostages would be released. But a pro-Syrian newspaper says the details are settled and it's just a matter of time.

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#90281u2154 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 8) UPI - Iran's President Rafsanjani says his country's improved ties with Iraq have NOT resulted in any violation of the U-N sanctions. Rafsanjani says Iran is honoring the sanctions against Baghdad. In the Persian Gulf, British, U-S and Australian naval vessels stopped and boarded two Iraqi ships

and found supplies on board one. The empty vessel was allowed to proceed.

It's official. Donald Trump is NOT mentioned in the annual Forbes magazine list of the richest 400 Americans. Falling land values and massive debt resulted in removal of the real estate developer from the rankings. Communications mogul John Werner Kluge tops the list with estimated holdings of five-point-six-BILLION dollars. It took holdings of 260-Million to make the top 400- down 15-Million from last year.

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#90281u2243 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

TORRANCE, Calif. (OCT. 8) UPI - Allied-Signal Aerospace has been forced to stop some shipments of control systems for commercial and military aircraft because of discrpancies in test reports submitted by a parts supplier, a company spokesman said Monday.

An Allied-Signal unit, AiResearch Los Angeles division, discovered the testing discrepancies during a routine audit of vendors, spokesman Ralph Wortman said.

The auditors found that documents submitted by one vendor - Supreme Steel Treating of El Monte, Calif. - were photocopied versions of earlier tests with altered dates, Wortman said.

Officials at Supreme Steel Treating were not available for comment. The Los Angeles Times reported Monday that federal agents were conducting a probe into the allegations of false certification.

AiResearch, which employs about 4,500 workers, is the world's leading supplier of equipment used for aircraft pressurization, heating and cooling.

The company is attempting to determine which categories of parts may have been treated at Supreme Steel, Wortman said. AiResearch has more than 40,000 types of parts.

The company has narrowed the list of suspect parts to about 300 and hopes to pare that to 20 by this week, Wortman said.

The suspect parts have not yet caused safety problems and their failure would not cause a serious incident, Wortman said.

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#90281u2245 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 8) UPI - With tips of the cap to Tony Perez and - of all people - Jim Leyland, unlikely sluggers Mariano Duncan and Billy Hatcher powered the Cincinnati Reds into command of the National League playoffs Monday.

Duncan belted a three-run homer and drove in four runs and Hatcher added a two-run shot to send Cincinnati to a 6-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The romp gave the Reds a 2-1 edge in the best-of-seven series. Tuesday's night's Game 4 matches opening game starters Jose Rijo and Bob Walk.

Duncan credited former Cincinnati slugger and current Reds' batting coach Perez for his new-found power. Hatcher simply thanked Pirates' Manager Leyland for trading him to the Reds.

''I give all the credit to Perez,'' said Duncan, who went 3-for-5 with four runs batted in Monday. ''He believes in me 100 percent, whether I'm going good or going bad.

''I always dreamed of hitting .300,'' noted Duncan, a .235 career hitter before this year. ''With Tony helping me in the spring and early season, I wound up hitting .306 this year. Tony is one of the great coaches in the major leagues right now.''

Duncan is also a lot stronger than he used to be.

''I lifted a lot of weights over the winter, but not just so I could hit home runs,'' he said. ''It's a long season with 162 games and you have to be strong to keep making contact at the plate, to keep stealing bases and scoring runs.''

Hatcher, who went 3-for-4 with a double and single in addition to his homer, said he considers Leyland one of the finest gentlemen in the majors for fulfilling his request to be traded at the start of this season.

''I love playing every day, but with (Andy) Van Slyke, (Barry) Bonds and (Bobby) Bonilla in the Pirates' outfield. I wasn't going to get too many at-bats,'' said Hatcher. ''I asked Leyland to trade me and he did. I'm thankful for it. I was lucky to go to Cincinnati because they were looking for another outfielder.''

Even though Hatcher hurt Leyland Monday, Leyland insisted, ''I'm happy for Billy. He deserves to be playing every day. I had no playing time for Billy unless somebody got hurt. I have somebody sitting, making $700,000, and no playing time for him. He wasn't going to be happy here.

''We wanted to do something for him and we did,'' added Leyland. ''We just didn't think we'd see him in October.''

If Leyland's club is to come back and win the playoffs, they'll have to do it back in Cincinnati, where a sixth and seventh game will be played if needed. But that doesn't bother Leyland.

''It's a funny thing, Cincinnati has played really well over here this season and we've played well over there,'' noted Leyland. ''I really don't feel there is a home field advantage. It's a seven game series and we're only down 2-1.''

Since the seven-game format began in 1985, only the '85 Cardinals and '88 Dodgers have rallied from 2-1 deficits to win.

Cincinnati starter and winner Danny Jackson went 5 1-3 innings, yielding seven hits and two runs. Reliever Rob Dibble, who has struck out eight of the 13 batters he has faced in the playoffs, struck out three in pitching 1 2-3 innings. Randy Myers struck out the side in the ninth for his second save of the playoffs.

Pittsburgh starter Zane Smith lasted five innings, surrendering eight hits and five runs. The left-hander struck out five and walked none, but got behind in the count in crucial situations like Hatcher's at-bat in the fifth.

Deadlocked 2-2 after four innings, Hatcher led off the fifth with a double to left-center and moved to third on Jackson's sacrifice. Third baseman Jeff King saved a run by knocking down Barry Larkin's smash down the line and holding Hatcher at third, but Larkin legged out a hit. Duncan made King's great defensive play irrelevant when he belted a three-run homer to left-center.

''Hatcher's hit after we had tied it was a really big turning point in the game,'' conceded Leyland.

''Zane has been very tough on me all year long, but he wasn't as sharp today as he normally is,'' said Hatcher. ''He fell behind in the count. Since I know he hates to walk people, I figured I'd get some good pitches to hit. And I did.''

Pittsburgh, which depends on slugging to win most of the time, has scored only eight runs in the first three games. That's the lowest three-game playoff output since weak-hitting Houston tallied only seven in 1986.

The Pirates' ''Big Three'' - Barry Bonds, Bobby Bonilla and Andy Van Slyke - have combined for just seven hits in 34 at-bats (.206 average) with no home runs and only two RBI.

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#90281u2254 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 8) UPI - The campaign for California's next governor Monday reached new heights - or, depending on your television viewing tastes, new lows - with that political pundit himself, Bart Simpson, entering the fray.

But don't have a cow, man.

The California Republican Party, the party of Abraham Lincoln and Theodore Roosevelt, invoked the name of the smart-alecky cartoon character to tongue-in-cheekly try to discredit Democrat Dianne Feinstein's use of crib notes during Sunday's television debate against GOP candidate Pete Wilson.

''If you're going to use crib sheets, man, use 'em right,'' said Bart in a statement written by the state GOP.

Bart, the precocious pre-teen on the highly popular Fox TV sitcom ''The Simpsons,'' also offered pointers on what he considers better cheating methods suggesting notes written on a shirt sleeve or taped to the inside of a shoe.

The issue at hand was the issue of hands, and Feinstein's use of one of hers to scribble notes during the debate.

According to a set of criteria worked out before the television showdown, the candidates agreed to walk into the debate studio and take their places behind their rostrums without any notes or other debating aids.

Shortly after the debate started, Feinstein was seen on television with pen markings on her left palm.

The former San Francisco mayor, while not denying she had notations on her hand, said the scribbling was the result of her nervousness as she was waiting for the live one-hour debate to begin.

She said she wrote three words'' ''growth,'' ''education'' and ''e wrote t

''I was sitting there getting impatient,'' she told a news conference. ''I can tell you it wasn't the formula for the atomic bomb.''

Wilson also tried to make political hay out of Feinstein's scribbling, using every hand-related cliche in the book.

''She didn't lay a hand on Wilson,'' a campaign statement said. ''While her answers were clearly hand-crafted, she had her hand full answering questions.''

Brad Turrell, a spokesman for Fox Television, which produces ''The Simpsons,'' said the Republicans did not seek permission to use Bart's name or words, but he added it was highly unlikely the network would get involved in a lawsuit because of it.

But Turrell insisted Bart was neutral in the gubernatorial election.

''He's has not taken a political stance.''

#90281u2297 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 8) UPI - Senators are trying to put together the votes to pass a budget package that cleared the House early this morning. The Senate began debate tonight after a five-hour delay, during which party leaders met privately in search of votes to pass the plan.

The Temple Mount in Jerusalem's Old City- one of the holiest places in the Moslem religion- was the site today of the worst violence of the Palestinian uprising. Israeli police fired on Palestinian demonstrators, leaving 19 dead and more than 150 injured.

Justice David Souter officially joined the Supreme Court last week, but today he was sworn in with a ceremony at the White House. A reception had to be canceled because some White House chefs were laid off in the government shutdown resulting from the budget crisis.

Joseph Murray of Boston and E-Donnall Thomas of Seattle are the new Nobel Prize winners in medicine. They did work that was instrumental in clearing the way for widespread use of medical transplants.

A Liberian general is refusing to surrender to an international peacekeeping force. The general and his one-thousand remaining loyalist troops are occupying the mansion of the late President Samuel Doe.

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#90281u2313 10/08/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 8) UPI - South African President Frederik de Klerk made new concessions today in a meeting with African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela. De Klerk moved to release political prisoners and to allow the return of thousands of exiles.

China's hard-line government has found a way to stomach one of the prime emblems of capitalism- the golden arches. McDonald's opened its first fast-food restaurant in China today, in the town of Shenzhen near the border with Hong Kong.

The United States is playing host to the world chess championship for the first time since 1907. Champion Gary Kasparov is playing former champ Anatoly Karpov in New York City. The Hudson Theater is the site for the first half of the 24-game match. The second half is in France.

Nobel laureate Saul Bellow celebrated his 75th birthday last night, with Mayor Richard Daley playing host to more than 200 of Bellow's friends at the Art Institute of Chicago.

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Bellow said writers ''are NOT part of the main enterprise in American cities.'' But Daley responded that- quote- ''We are very proud of you and the city wants you to know it.''

A survey by the Siena College Research Institute in Loudonville, New York, found the assassination of President Kennedy to be the single most memorable broadcast in the history of television. The first moon walk was a distant second.

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#90281u2416 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 8) UPI - The Senate began debate tonight on a Democratic-crafted budget plan. The start of the debate was delayed five hours... while Senate leaders tried to round up enough votes to pass the measure. Many Republicans are UNhappy because the plan leaves a number of key tax decisions to committees controlled by Democrats. Sources say there are 50 senators who support the plan... but 51 votes are needed for passage.

NASA's 36th shuttle flight is halfway through its four-day mission. The crew of the shuttle Discovery spent today working on experiments and studying the Earth's ozone layer. The astronauts also made a rare television appearance in which they sang ''Happy Birthday'' to crew member Thomas Akers' wife, Kaye. Officials say the flight is proceeding more smoothly than any of the other missions since the Challenger disaster.

Officials in the East Central African nation of Rwanda say they're clearly winning their nine-day-old war with rebels who stormed into the nation. But a night-time curfew was still in effect today in the capital of Kigali. Diplomats also say it appears that fighting is continuing in areas north of the capital. France, Belgium and Zaire have sent troops to aid the Rwandan government.

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#90281u2420 10/08/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 8) UPI - The Soviet Communist Party Central Committee is holding its first full meeting since being streamlined last July. At the top of the agenda in Moscow is the Soviet transition to a market economy. President Gorbachev conceded that- quote- ''we are encroaching on socialism,'' but added... ''only the socialism that was built bureaucratically.''

Philippines President Corazon Aquino says action speaks louder than words. Aquino today dismissed new threats from rebel soldiers... saying the swift crushing of last week's rebellion in Mindanao- in her words- ''speaks better than any other rhetoric'' by the dissidents. Renegade Colonel Gregorio Honasan says last week's attack was only the first phase of a plan to wear down Aquino's government.

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#90281x1325 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
CHICAGO (OCT 8) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.
Live Beef Cattle _ 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	79.75	79.75	79.35	79.52	79.77
Dec	76.95	76.95	76.45	76.57	76.95
Feb	75.02	75.05	74.50	74.62	74.80
Apr	75.67	75.67	75.30	75.47	75.57
Jun	73.10	73.20	72.85	73.12	73.07
Aug	71.57	71.57	71.45	71.45	71.60
Oct	71.80	71.80	71.70	71.70	71.70

Est. sales 9,018 contracts; Friday 13,665; open interest 68,568 off 234.
Feeder Cattle _ 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	88.15	88.30	87.95	88.15	87.82
Nov	87.05	87.35	86.85	87.00	86.95
Jan	85.90	85.97	85.45	85.72	85.92
Mar	83.47	83.70	83.10	83.15	83.52
Apr	83.00	83.20	82.80	82.85	82.97
May	82.25	82.40	81.90	81.90	82.20
Aug	....	81.90	81.90	82.10	82.10

Est. sales 925 contracts; Friday 944; open interest 11,224 up 45.
Live Hogs _ 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	56.75	56.85	55.75	55.92	57.17
Dec	55.00	55.10	54.25	54.35	55.35
Feb	51.85	52.10	51.32	51.47	52.15
Apr	48.47	48.75	47.80	47.97	48.47
Jun	52.30	52.40	51.75	51.80	52.20
Jly	52.30	52.65	51.95	52.00	52.55
Aug	....	50.75	50.60	50.60	50.72
Oct	46.00	46.20	46.00	46.10	46.20

Est. sales 5,726 contracts; Friday 4,821; open interest 26,830 off 21.
Frozen Pork Bellies _ 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	65.30	65.50	64.45	64.45	66.45
Mar	64.80	65.15	64.25	64.25	66.25
May	65.00	65.00	63.55	63.55	65.55
Jly	64.00	64.00	62.17	62.17	64.17
Aug	....	....	61.20	61.20	63.20

Est. sales 2,803 contracts; Friday 3,782; open interest 7,341 up 244.

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#90281x1467 10/08/1990 ~Comtex
NEW YORK (OCT 8) - Gold futures closed 120 to 130 points higher Monday on the

New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold _ 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	392.00	394.90	392.00	394.90	393.60
Nov	393.10	....	....	396.90	395.70
Dec	395.50	400.60	393.60	399.30	398.10
Feb	399.50	403.90	398.00	403.40	402.20
Apr	403.60	407.30	403.00	407.30	406.10
Jun	407.20	411.40	407.20	411.40	410.20
Aug	411.50	....	....	415.30	414.10
Oct	415.70	....	....	419.50	418.30
Dec	420.70	....	....	423.80	422.60
Feb	424.70	....	....	428.50	427.30
Apr	429.30	....	....	433.10	431.90
Jun	434.30	....	....	438.10	436.90
Aug	439.30	....	....	443.10	441.90

Open interest: 111,673 up 946.

Estimated sales: 30,000 contracts.

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#90281x1478 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

NEW YORK (OCT. 8) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	394.00 off 3.00
Morning fixing	391.25 off 2.75
Afternoon fixing	390.80 off 3.20
Close	392.25 off 1.75
Paris	393.51 off 3.84
Zurich	392.50 off 1.00
Hong Kong	389.85 off 3.40
New York	
Comex spot close	394.90 up 1.30
Republic cash	395.25 up 1.00
Handy and Harman	390.80 off 4.80

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 392.11 off 4.81 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 411.72 off 5.05 per troy ounce.

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Silver	
Comex spot close	4.67 up 0.003
Republic cash	4.69 off 0.005

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.665 per fine ounce off 0.005

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.655 off 0.045 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.981 off 0.048

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Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 447.00 off 7.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 547.00 off 7.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 101.50 up 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 116.50 up 0.50.

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(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90281x1523 10/08/1990 ~Comtex

(OCT 8) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.22	8.31	N/A
91-day Treasury bills	7.28	7.28	7.59
182-day Treasury bills	7.44	7.44	7.52
1-year Treasury bills	7.50	7.50	7.52
3-year Treasury notes	7.97	7.97	8.09
7-year Treasury notes	8.53	8.53	8.07
30-year Treasury bond_(new)	8.79	8.79	8.01
10-year US West Corp _(new)	9.28	9.25	8.75
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.85	9.85	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.14	9.14	9.02
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.37	9.37	9.06
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.43	9.43	9.25
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.47	9.47	9.24

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Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90282b0005 10/09/1990 ~Business Wire
EINDHOVEN, the Netherlands (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Philips is to take measures to support the ultimate objective of making its information systems division profitable.

The plans form part of the restructuring process announced by the president of Philips, J.D. Timmer, on July 2, 1990.

Implementation of these plans, and of those already in progress, will result in the reduction of about 4900 of a total of 15,000 jobs, mainly in Europe.

In future, the division will concentrate on those activities and market sectors where it has a strong and sustainable position:

On an international basis, the emphasis will be on the provision of products and services to major segments of the service industry: banking, government, insurance and travel. On a national basis, additional segments may be added, which meet the required business parameters.

Responding to the growing trend towards the use of 'open systems', the division intends to offer complete solutions in these markets on the basis of bought-in, internally or externally, standard hardware and software in combination with application-specific products which it will develop itself. In the service sector, there is a clear trend towards decentralizing the way in which services are offered to the consumer. The division's choice of these specific market segments ties in directly with other Philips activities in this field. Image-based office automation systems.

The market for image-based office automation systems, using optical data storage, is undergoing rapid growth. Philips is the European market leader in this field with its megadoc family.

Service and maintenance of hardware and software. The division's customer services group is at present concentrating on supporting users of Philips systems. The intention, in future, is to offer an integrated range of services for hardware and software supplied both by Philips and by other companies.

Responding to the industry-wide trend towards indirect sales, Philips will reduce its direct sales force in a number of countries in the smaller market segments, strongly depending on the market position per country. Together with the strategic choice of serving a limited number of larger market segments, this accounts for about half of the total job reduction.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - General Cinema Corp. (NYSE:GCN) announced Tuesday that it has sold its entire investment in Cadbury Schweppes p.1.c., except for 13.2 million ordinary shares which are held in escrow in connection with General Cinema's outstanding 5 percent exchangeable debentures due 2002.

General Cinema indicated that the sale would result in an after-tax gain of more than $80 million, or about $1.10 per share, in the current quarter of its fiscal year.

The Cadbury Schweppes shares were purchased by Cazenove & Co. and Barclays de Zoete Wedd Securities Ltd., two British securities firms.

General Cinema Corp. operates one of the largest theatre circuits in the United States. The company also is a leading specialty retailer through The Neiman Marcus Group, whose operations include Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman and Contempo Casuals. Following this transaction, the company will hold in excess of $1.5 billion in cash and short-term investments.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Susan M. Kraus, vice president of media relations for the National Association of Broadcasters, has been named assistant vice president of national media relations at United Telecommunications Inc. and US Sprint.

Her appointment is effective Oct. 15.

In her new capacity, Kraus will oversee United Telecom/US Sprint's worldwide media relations efforts. She brings to the position more than 20 years experience in public relations, broadcasting, journalism, advertising and corporate administration.

Kraus began her career with CBS Inc. in Detroit in 1964. In 1965, she joined the national advertising agency, Ross Roy Inc., in Detroit, where she was director of personnel before joining the NAB in 1980.

A resident of Washington D.C., where United Telecom/US Sprint's national media relations efforts are located, Kraus attended Wayne State University and the

University of Maryland.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company headquartered in Kansas City.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - W. Thomas Grant II, president and chief executive officer of BMA Corp. said that during the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, BMA Corp. entered the market to purchase 393,331 shares of BMAC common stock.

The purchase was part of a previously announced $70 million authorization from the board of directors to enter the market from time to time for the purpose of acquiring shares of BMAC and/or Home Office Reference Laboratory (HORL).

These shares were added to treasury and are being held for general corporate purposes. Grant said that no shares of HORL had been repurchased by BMA Corp. under the authorization.

BMAC currently holds a 69 percent interest in HORL, the nation's leading provider of laboratory services to the insurance industry.

Grant further said, ''We are concerned about the weakening economy in general and its growing negative effect on real estate values. In light of BMAC's previously announced strategy of substantially reducing investments in real estate over the next several years, we are closely monitoring and evaluating our portfolio relative to changing market conditions.''

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NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - At its regular quarterly meeting, the Board of Directors of Dollar General Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DOLR) declared a dividend of 5 cents per share, payable Dec. 14, to shareholders of record Nov. 23.

Dollar General Corp., a major discount retailer is a chain of more than 1,400 neighborhood stores operating in 23 states with distribution centers in Georgia and Kentucky.

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - GRiD Systems Corp. Tuesday announced a major expansion of its European sales and support organization, increasing its number of offices from two to 10 and expanding its ability to sell laptop, desktop and pen-based computers in all European countries.

GRiD president Alan Lefkof said: ''This expansion significantly strengthens our position prior to the unification of the European market after 1992.

GRiD has combined its sales and support organizations with its sister companies, Victor Microcomputer and Micronic.

Tandy Corp., GRiD's parent company, last year acquired Victor and Micronic, both based in Stockholm, Sweden. Victor is a leading supplier of desktop personal computers in Europe while Micronic has a large share of the handheld computer market. Both are part of the Victor Technologies Group.

A new Systems Sales Division of Victor Technologies Group has been established to manage the expanded GRiD operations.

Paige Hiatt, currently director of GRiD's European operations, has been named vice president of the Systems Sales Division.

Juergen Krueper, currently director of GRiD customer support in Europe, has been named vice president of support for the systems division. Krueper, who will head GRiD's new pan-European service and support programs, is establishing a network of service centers in Europe.

The division will include the direct sales forces of GRiD, Victor and Micronic and will operate in the United Kingdom, Germany, France, Spain, Switzerland, Belgium, Sweden and Denmark. GRiD previously had sales offices in the United Kingdom and Germany.

There is considerable synergy between GRiD and Micronic because both companies have the same strategy -- providing field automation solutions directly to large commercial and governmental accounts.

GRiD is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tandy Corp., Fort Worth, Texas. Tandy is a leading manufacturer and distributor of consumer electronics and computers. A New York Stock Exchange company, Tandy has sales in excess of $4 billion annually.

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FOSTER CITY, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Peter Barton Hutt, a former chief counsel of the Food and Drug Administration and a senior partner at the law firm of Covington & Burling in Washington, has been elected to the board of directors of Cell Genesys Inc.

Cell Genesys is a privately-held biomedical company developing human therapeutic products based on homologous recombination technology, an advanced form of genetic engineering.

Hutt began practicing law in 1960 and became a partner at Covington & Burling in 1968. From 1971-75, he was chief counsel for the FDA, after which he returned to private law practice with Covington & Burling.

During his service at the FDA, Hutt was instrumental in establishing the review processes for over-the-counter drugs and biological drugs as well as shaping various FDA regulations regarding public health and safety issues. Before leaving government service, he prepared comprehensive regulations governing all aspects of FDA administrative practices and procedures.

During the past two decades, Hutt has served on numerous national committees focused on health care and health science policy matters.

From 1976-80, Hutt was a member of the National Academy of Sciences Committee on Research Training in the Biomedical and Behavioral Sciences; during 1976-78 he served on the National Institutes of Health Advisory Committee to Review the Guidelines for Recombinant DNA Research; from 1978-81, he was a member of the Advisory Committee to the Director of the NIH; and in 1981-82, he was a member of the NIH Task Force on Cooperative Research Relationships with Industry.

Hutt also has served on the advisory panels of five Office of Technology Assessment studies and as a consultant on three other OTA studies. In addition, he has been elected to several prestigious organizations influencing health care and health science policies.

His current activities include membership in the Institute of Medicine, National Academy of Sciences; the advisory board of the Institute for Health Policy Analysis of Georgetown University; the board of directors of the Foundation of Biomedical Research; the board of directors of the American Pharmaceutical Institute; and the National Committee to Review Current Procedures for Approval of New Drugs for Cancer and AIDS established by President Bush's Cancer Panel of the National Cancer Institute.

Cell Genesys, which is headquartered in Foster City, is developing medical products and production processes based on homologous recombination technology. This sophisticated method of gene targeting enables scientists to replace, activate or inactivate selected genes within mammalian cells, thereby producing tightly regulated, permanent changes in cellular functions. Company applications are focused on three areas: 1) the use of ''engineered'' cells to manufacture valuable therepeutic proteins that are difficult to make with conventional recombinant DNA technology; 2) the production of completely human monoclonal antibodies that may prove safer and more effective than conventional mouse antibodies for treating disease; and 3) the development of ''universal donor cell'' transplant products for use as therapies against medical disorders caused by the loss of critical cells or cellular functions.

Hutt received his bachelor of arts degree from Yale University; his bachelor of laws from Harvard University; and his master of laws from New York University under a fellowship from the Food and Drug Law Institute. He is currently a member of the New York, District of Columbia and Supreme Court Bars.

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NORTH STONINGTON, CT (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert A. Hillyer has been promoted to vice president of Analysis & Technology Inc., A.T. Mollegen Jr., president and chief executive officer has announced.

In 1978, Hillyer joined A&T following a 22-year career in the U.S. Navy. His technical specialty in the Navy concerned submarine periscopes and associated optical systems. That expertise led to A&T's first periscope contract with the Navy. In July 1984, Hillyer was named manager of the A&T division specializing in engineering services and publications.

More recently, Hillyer has also effectively participated in developing marketing strategies and efforts among potential private sector customers in the Boston area for joint business efforts by A&T and its subsidiary, Applied Science Associates (ASA). ASA develops and implements professional specialized training services that assist major private companies as well as military and other governmental organizations in achieving improved productivity and product or service quality.

''Bob Hillyer is a leader in effectively implementing our 'Continuous Improvement' philosophy and practices in our electro-optics work for the Navy, as well as helping develop new business in the private secotr,'' Mollegen commented.

Hillyer and his wife, the former Jeannette Annis of Niantic, Conn., reide in East Lyme, Conn. with a daughter. Another daughter, son, and five grandchildren live in Niantic, Conn.

A&T specializes in engineering services for U.S. Navy submarine and antisubmarine warfare, and commercial and military training. The company's shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''AATI''.

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EL PASO, TX (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Paso Electric Co.'s Chairman and Chief Executive Officer David H. Wiggs Jr. announced Tuesday the election of Richard G. Hickson and Travis H. Petty to the company's board of directors.

Hickson, 46, is chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Texas Commerce Bank of El Paso. As chief executive officer of El Paso's largest bank, Hickson is serving in major leadership roles in civic organizations focusing on economic and community development.

He is a board member and chairman elect of the Greater El Paso Chamber Commerce, president of the United Way, treasurer of the Industrial Development Corp., presidential trustee of the El Paso Community Foundation, and a member of the UTEP Development Board.

Petty, 62, is vice chairman of the board of directors of Burlington Resources Inc., where he is responsible for natural gas transmission activities and corporate affairs. Burlington Resources is the parent company of El Paso Natural Gas Co. Petty previously served as chairman of the board and chief executive officer of El Paso Natural Gas Co.

Hickson replaces Robert H. Cutler, 71, who retired in May after 20 years of service. Petty replaces Leonard A. Goodman Jr., 65, who has announced his retirement effective Oct. 31, 1990. Goodman served on EPE's board of directors for over 20 years, and due to the company's mandatory retirement policy, was scheduled to retire prior to May 1991.

In making the announcement, Wiggs stressed the wealth of knowledge and experience that Hickson and Petty have in the financial and regulatory areas.

The election of Hickson and Petty increases the number of new directors elected to the board over the past year to seven. Currently, the board is comprised of 11 directors, including Wiggs. The company does not expect to

add any additional directors in the near future.

Wiggs also expressed the company's gratitude to Goodman and Cutler for their leadership and contribution through the years. ''Bob and Leonard have devoted many years of service not only to El Paso Electric, but also to our communities,'' he said. El Paso Electric is an electric utility serving approximately 240,000 customers in El Paso, Texas and the Rio Grande Valley in Texas and New Mexico. The company has a 15.8 percent interest in each of the 1,270 megawatt nuclear generating units at the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station located near Phoenix, Ariz.

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OMAHA, NE (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Data Transmission Network Corp. (NASDAQ:DTLN) Tuesday announced it has entered into an agreement with the Phillips 66 Co. to provide satellite-delivered communication and price notification services to its marketing network over DTNergy.

The agreement with Phillips is expected to increase the company's revenues by 3 percent to 4 percent.

Phillips 66 will utilize DTN's newly developed DTNergy service to provide terminal prices, terminal alerts, electronic funds transfer notifications, electronic invoices and sales and marketing announcements to more than 1,400 petroleum marketers beginning in January 1991.

In addition, as part of the DTNergy service DTN will provide each marketer with energy futures and options quotations and financial news. Seventeen other refiners are currently conducting their own tests of DTNergy.

DTNergy brings to the petroleum industry capabilities which provide both the refiner and the petroleum marketer significant advantages and improvements over the printer-only services in use today.

DTN President Roger Brodersen said, ''The petroleum industry is another niche market opportunity that we hope to capture utilizing our dominant position as a low-cost electronic information provider.

''We expect DTNergy to be an excellent complement to our existing agricultural and financial market information services. Our agreement with Phillips is the first of many we hope to sign with refiners.''

DTN is one of the industry leaders in low-cost, data broadcast techniques and was the first to implement the large scale use of Ku-band satellite technology

for mass market applications. DTN has over 52,000 subscribers to its agricultural and financial quotes and news information services.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - UtiliCorp United (NYSE:UCU) has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a public offering of 4,000,000 shares of common stock. Net proceeds of the transaction will be used to reduce short-term debt incurred primarily as a result of capital and acquisition related expenditures.

The shares are expected to be offered in November. A total of 800,000 shares will be offered outside the United States and Canada. Underwriters for the offering will be Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co., Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette and Lehman Brothers. County NatWest Limited will co-manage the share offering outside of the United States and Canada.

UtiliCorp common stock is listed on the New York, Toronto and Pacific stock exchanges. There are presently 23.8 million shares outstanding.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides gas and electric service to 820,000 customers in eight states and in British Columbia. Its divisions are Missouri Public Service, Peoples Natural Gas, Michigan Gas Utilities, West Virginia Power, Northern Minnesota Utilities and Kansas Public Service. West Kootenay Power is a Canadian subsidiary. PSI and UtilCo Group are non-regulated subsidiaries.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Savings of America, the principal subsidiary of H.F. Ahmanson & Company (NYSE:AHM), Tuesday announced the private placement of a $50 million subordinated debt issue in Japan. The floating rate subordinated notes are due in 1997. This is the first such privately placed issue of this size in Japan of subordinated debt by a U.S. based savings and loan.

The issue is not rated. Both Moody's and Standard and Poors recently confirmed their ratings of H.F. Ahmanson & Company and Home Savings of

America. Home Savings' existing sub-debt is rated Baa1 by Moody's and BBB+ by Standard and Poors.

Placement agents for Home Savings were The First Boston Corporation and J.P. Morgan Securities, Inc.

All of the proceeds from the sale qualify as Tier 2 capital under the risk-based capital requirements of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act (FIRREA) enacted by Congress in 1989.

Based on June 30, 1990, balance sheet data, the proceeds from this note issue, along with other actions recently taken by Home Savings, will bring Home Savings of America's total risk-based capital ratio to 8.43 percent, well above the 7.2 percent level required on December 31, 1990. This offering will help Home Savings to achieve its goal of meeting as soon as possible FIRREA's fully phased-in capital requirements that take effect in 1994.

Home Savings of America, with assets of more than $47 billion and deposits of over $35 billion, is the nation's largest savings and loan institution.

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FRESNO, Calif. (OCY 9) BUSINESS WIRE - WestAir Holding Inc. (ASE:WAH) announced Tuesday that Martin Greenberg, 50, has joined the company's board of directors, increasing membership to nine.

Greenberg is chairman of the Board of Commodity Exchange Inc. in New York while concurrently serving as chairman and president of Sterling Commodities Corp.

Greenberg is a graduate of Hofstra University and is currently a resident of New York City.

WestAir Holding Inc.'s airline units operate as United Express through marketing agreements with United Airlines. The company previously announced it is merging its two wholly owned subsidiaries into a single airline operation with a Pacific Coast Division and an Atlantic Coast Division.

WestAir Holding serves cities in the West and along the East Coast utilizing both jet and turbo-prop aircraft. The company's major hubs are Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, Ore., Seattle, Fresno, Calif., Sacramento, Calif., and Washington.

WestAir Holding is headquartered in Fresno.

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DALLAS (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Halliburton Co. Tuesday announced that George W. Tilley has been named president of its wholly owned Halliburton Geophysical Services Inc. subsidiary, succeeding Don B. Sheffield.

Sheffield will move to Halliburton's Oil Field Services Group headquarters in Houston to be involved in the coordination of several of the group's strategic projects.

Tilley, 53, attended University of Houston's School of Electronic Technology. He joined McCollum Exploration in 1955 and has continued his employment with successor companies since that time in a number of managerial and executive positions. Most recently he has served as Halliburton Geophysical Services Inc.'s vice president-products and has been responsible for managing the company's worldwide product manufacturing, engineering, sales and technical support functions.

Tilley is a member of the Society of Exploration Geophysicists, European Association of Exploration Geophysicists, International Association of Geophysical Contractors and the Petroleum Equipment Suppliers Association.

Sheffield, 55, graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a bachelor of science degree in Geology. He began his career in 1958 with Ray Geophysical as a seismologist and has been active with its successor organizations in a variety of managerial positions. Sheffield served as president of Halliburton Geophysical Services Inc. upon its formation in 1988.

He is a member of the Society of Exploration Geophysicists, European Association of Exploration Geophysicists, American Petroleum Institute and the Petroleum Equipment Suppliers Association.

Halliburton Geophysical Services Inc., headquartered in Houston, provides geophysical services and systems for the petroleum industry worldwide.

Halliburton Co. is one of the world's largest diversified oil field services, engineering and construction companies. Founded in 1919, Halliburton provides oil field services and products, industrial and marine engineering and construction services, and property and casualty insurance services.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The U.S. Navy has awarded Litton's Data Systems division, Van Nuys, Calif., an additional $202 million to continue production of tactical air operations systems for the U.S. Marine Corps and U.S. Air Force.

The order includes money for spares, related equipment and training.

This brings the value of Navy and Air Force contracts on the Litton program to approximately $900 million. Eighty-nine systems are now on order, with first deliveries scheduled for 1991. The new award includes seven systems for the Marine Corps and 26 systems for the Air Force.

The transportable modules provide facilities to control the employment of friendly aircraft in the full range of tactical air missions, including interception of hostile aircraft, enroute traffic control, refueling, search and rescue, close air support and interdiction.

Work on the program will continue at Data Systems' Colorado Springs, Colo., production facility and at the division's headquarters location in Van Nuys.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - To help small business owners more effectively manage their companies' financial needs, Wells Fargo Bank Tuesday announced it's offering a free financial guide on computer diskette.

Wells Fargo is the first major California bank to offer small businesses an interactive computer program as a financial tool.

''Wells Fargo's Financial Guide for Small Business'' is available on a 3.5-inch or 5.25-inch diskette and is designed to run on an IBM PC or compatible machine with 512K memory and color graphics card.

Users can customize the program by answering a series of questions about their business as well as tap into a tool kit of financial calculators to assist them in determining breakeven analysis, personal net worth, loan payments and retirement planning.

The program also provides a description of Wells Fargo services for small businesses, a glossary of financial terms and tips on business topics such as collections, insurance, employee benefits, financial status and ratio analysis.

''We've found there are many small business owners who find their computer one of their most valued employees,'' said Doug Freeman, executive vice president of Wells Fargo's business banking group.

''By offering this financial guide on computer, owners can now have in-depth financial resource information at their finger tips, and map out their company's financial strategy at their own convenience.''

To order a free copy of the diskette, call 1/800-642-BANK.

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LA JOLLA, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The California based supercomputer development company CHOPP COMPUTER CORP. was Tuesday awarded a total of $48,091,542 by the jury in the Superior Court of the State of California at San Francisco.

The award is the result of CHOPP's lengthy civil proceedings against Alexander Laurins, Lawrence Merryman and numerous associated trusts and corporations controlled by them and their families. The seven page verdict returned Friday October 5, 1990, clearly vindicates CHOPP COMPUTER CORP. in the matter and finds Laurins, Merryman and related companies guilty of defamation, violation of the RICO act, abuse of process, and interference in economic prospects.

The damages awarded for defamation totalled $12,056,000. Damages for abuse of process totalled $1,244,750. The damages awarded for violation of the Federal RICO (Racketeering Influenced and Corrupt Organizations) act totalled $10,112,000, which when tripled amounts to $30,336,000, plus attorney fees of $544,792. Additional damages of $3,914,000 were awarded for interference with prospective economic advantages.

Alex Laurins, in jail in Lompoc, Calif., since 1987 on unrelated charges, was responsible for making numerous illegal short sales in CHOPP COMPUTER CORP. while printing and distributing an unregistered investment newsletter which recommended the short sale of CHOPP COMPUTER CORP. shares. Laurins failed to inform readers that he was the actual author of the newsletter and held a substantial short position in CHOPP COMPUTER CORP.

CHOPP COMPUTER CORP. is publicly traded Over the Counter in the United States.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Great Western Bank of Beverly Hills and Carteret Savings Bank of Morristown, N.J., Tuesday announced the completion of the sale of deposits and selected Florida offices of Carteret to Great Western.

Great Western assumes approximately $745 million in deposits and 13 branches for a premium, or cost, of about $28.2 million. This brings the total deposits in Palm Beach County to about $2.3 billion. Eleven of the branches are located in Palm Beach County. The two other branches are located in Broward and St. Lucie counties.

Great Western Bank is the principal subsidiary of Great Western Financial Corp. Great Western, with assets of $40 billion, is a real estate-oriented, retail bank. One of the nation's leading residential mortgage lenders, the company operates 1,000 mortgage lending, retail banking and consumer finance offices nationwide.

Carteret Savings Bank, a subsidiary of AmBase Corp., has more than $6 billion in assets and operates more than 70 retail banking and loan offices, primarily in New Jersey and Florida.

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Everex Systems Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:EVRX) Tuesday announced a licensing agreement with GeoWorks, developer of PC GEOS, a graphics-based operating environment for IBM compatible computers.

The license allows Everex to bundle both the PC GEOS graphical environment and GeoWorks Ensemble, an innovative applications suite, with Everex personal computers. Under the terms of the agreement, Everex may also use a run-time version of the operating environment to add graphics capabilities to current character mode utilities.

''GeoWork's technology will allow Everex to enter into rapidly expanding markets,'' said Raymond Yu, Everex vice president of Business Development.

''GeoWorks complements the Microsoft Windows operating environment. While Windows is targeted at the corporate market, GEOS is designed for entry-level systems typically found in the home and small business.''

GEOS is a highly efficient graphics environment that performs well on XT and low-end AT systems. This multi-tasking environment runs on top of Microsoft DOS. The GeoWorks Ensmeble includes a word processor with desktop publishing capabilities, a draw program, an iconic file manager and a Personal Information Manager.

GeoWorks, located in Berkeley, is a developer and publisher of graphical operating systems and application software for popular computer systems.

The company's products provide sophisticated yet highly efficient and functional solutions for home and small business computer uses. Its products are sold worldwide through retail dealers and bundled with computer systems.

Everex Systems Inc., with headquarters in Fremont, designs, manufactures and distributes a complete family of industry-standard personal computers and peripherals. Everex products are distributed through a worldwide dealer and VAR network.

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MARLBORO, MA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Data Translation announces a comprehensive new handbook that describes its data acquisition, and image processing products for IBM PC-compatible, IBM PS/2, Macintosh II, and other popular micro-computers.

Featured are products introduced in 1990, such as an advanced DSP processor with full software support, a line scan camera controller for high speed industrial inspection, and the first PC laptop-compatible I/O board. In addition, the company's line of data acquisition modules is described.

This publication is an important resource for scientists, engineers, and researchers who use, specify, or need information on data acquisition and image processing products. Today's customers want complete application solutions -- hardware, software, and accessories -- to accomplish specific tasks. The New Product Handbook was designed from the ground up to clearly detail these total product solutions, making it the most comprehensive and easiest to use catalog in the industry.

The New Product Handbook (275 pages) details the more than 300 product offerings from Data Translation with complete data sheets, product summary tables, tutorial discussions, prices, and ordering information.

Compatible Products Presented In The Source Handbook

The Source Handbook for 1991 is a directory of hardware, software, and services available from developers worldwide that are compatible with Data Translation data acquisition and image processing products. The Source Handbook ships with The New Product Handbook as a companion volume. Customers now have two handbooks at their fingertips which together offer all the system configuration details they need. Availability

The New Product Handbook and The Source Handbook begin shipping on Jan. 2, 1991. The handbooks are automatically distributed to all Data Translation customers or can be obtained free of charge by calling Data Translation's Sales Department at (508) 481-3700.

Data Translation is a world leader in the design, manufacture, and marketing of high performance data acquisition, image processing, array processing, and desktop video computer boards and software.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Silicon Valley Bancshares (NASDAQ:SIVB), parent company of Silicon Valley Bank, announced net income of $2,590,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, compared with $1,855,000 for the third quarter of 1989, an increase of 40 percent.

Net income per share was 45 cents in the third quarter of 1990, compared to 33 cents in 1989.

Net income for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, was $7,363,000 compared with $5,011,000 in 1989, an increase of 47 percent. Earnings per share increased to $1.27 for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with 89 cents in 1989.

The 1989 per share amounts reflect a two-for-one stock split in May 1990.

Total assets increased to $623 million at Sept. 30, compared with $366 million at Sept. 30, 1989, a 70 percent increase. Total loans were $412 million at Sept. 30, compared with $258 million at Sept. 30, 1989, a 60 percent increase.

Total deposits were $582 million at Sept. 30, compared with $337 million at Sept. 30, 1989, a 73 percent increase. Book value per share was $6.72 at Sept. 30, 1990 compared with $5.00 at Sept. 30, 1989, a 34 percent increase.

Roger V. Smith, president and chief executive officer, said: ''Our loan portfolio remains strong with non-performing loans representing only .4 percent of total loans. Additionally, our growth rate has also been enhanced by the opening of a regional branch office in Orange County.

Silicon Valley Bank is the only independent bank operating offices in the major financial centers of Santa Clara County: Santa Clara, Palo Alto, San Jose and downtown San Jose. An office is located in the heart of the venture capital community at 3000 Sand Hill Road, in Menlo Park.

This year the Bank opened a loan production office in the Boston area, in Wellesley, Mass., and a full service regional office in Orange County, Calif.

The Bank finances emerging and middle market technology companies, commercial businesses and residential construction projects.

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EAST HANOVER, NJ (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The Ultimate Corp. (NYSE:ULT), the leading supplier of total-solution information systems, software and services to the Pick and Pick/UNIX markets, announced Tuesday the availability of Release 210 of the Ultimate Operating Environment.

According to the announcement by Ultimate Systems Division Vice President Engineering Steve Sorensen, Release 210 applies to a large portion of the company's installed base of over 8,000 systems and provides dealers and end users with significantly increased file-system performance and integrity, improved performance monitoring and system tuning facilities, new text-editing functionality, competitive operating-system compatibility and enhanced data-communications facilities, as well as other important features and benefits.

An extension of Release 200 announced last year, Release 210 is available at no charge for Ultimate users of Honeywell-, Bull HN-, IBM 370- and Ultimate DEC/LSI-based systems, and includes four hardware platform-specific versions.

Release 210 has been shaped by customer requirements and is the latest in an 11-year series of ongoing enhancements to the Ultimate Operating Environment, a high-performance relational database system designed for multiuser,

transaction-oriented, business-computing environments.

An enhanced version of Pick, the Ultimate Operating Environment includes an extensive set of features and options for compatibility with Pick R-83 and other implementations of Pick.

It is supported across a broad range of Ultimate-supplied hardware platforms, and each new release is designed to be upwardly compatible from earlier releases, protecting the company's and its dealers' and end users' investments in applications software and training.

Ultimate has implemented several new features in Release 210 while enhancing the capability and extending the application of existing features. The new release has been through an extensive testing and quality-assurance program on all targeted hardware platforms and is available upon request.

Sorensen said: ''The communications power of our product offering has been bolstered through enhancements to the UltiNet communications and networking system, and the already extensive R-83 compatibility feature set of the operating system has been expanded.

''In addition, to improve file-system reliability and integrity, we have implemented Phase Two of our three-phase Group Format Error (GFE) elimination program.

''Phase Two addresses transient GFEs by extending the 'READ/LOCK' function to 10 additional verbs, and Phase Three, to be implemented in the next release, will deal with the elimination of GFEs created by a system crash. As a result of these and the other new features included in Release 210, we are receiving high praise for the quality, capability and performance of each of the new versions.

''IBM 370 users are particularly enthusiastic about the improved performance and enhanced system-tuning facilities provided by the new 2K/4K variable page-size feature and the new performance monitor.

''Users of Bull-based 6000 and 7000 systems, as well as Ultimate LSI-based 3040 and 3050 systems, are seeing reductions of up to 50 percent in file-save and file-restore times, and we have increased the number of users on Bull-based 1400 systems from 64 to 96 users.

''In addition, the expansion of Disk Shadowing support (automatic creation of mirror-image disk files) to all Bull 6000 and larger systems is being hailed as essential for users requiring the added security of redundant copies of files for critical application,'' Sorensen added.

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WILLOW GROVE, PA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Hope Technologies Inc. (OTC/PHLX:HPE) announced Tuesday that its founder and chairman, Henry Hope, died over the weekend.

Hope was 74 years old.

Stephen Hope, Henry Hope's son and president of Hope Technologies, stated: ''My father will be missed by everyone at the company. His enthusiasm and energy was an inspiration to us. I am confident, however, that the quality conscious workforce and dedicated team of engineers that he helped assemble are capable of carrying out their responsibilities and achieving the goals that the company has established for them.

''Henry Hope had the vision and character to empower his family and co-workers to create and succeed. Their success will be the highest tribute to his memory.''

For further information, please contact Diana Viglianese, manager of Corporate Administration, Hope Technologies Inc., 215/657-5500, 3701 Moreland Rd., Willow Grove, Pa. 19090.

HOPE TECHNOLOGIES INC. invents, designs, manufactures and sells professional image processing systems. It distributes its products through a world-wide network of dealers and has distribution agreements with original equipment manufacturers. In addition, the company is developing a rechargeable solid state lithium battery.

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EL SEGUNDO, CA. (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Rockwell International Corp. Tuesday introduced a new corporate advertising campaign highlighting the company's commitment to education.

The television and print campaign focuses on the need for an educated workforce to ensure the competitiveness of American business.

''America's ability to compete in a more demanding global marketplace depends

on well-educated, innovative people,'' said Donald R. Beall, Rockwell chairman and chief executive officer. ''Education increasingly is at the root of our ability to rapidly respond to changing technology and processes, as well as demands to improve the quality of everything we do.''

''Our advertising program is just one way to focus attention on an issue vitally important to both our nation and Rockwell,'' Beall said.

The campaign was introduced nationally with full-page advertisements in the Wall Street Journal, USA Today and the Washington Post. Rockwell's ads also are appearing in newspapers in cities with a major Rockwell presence and in magazines including Forbes, Fortune and Business Week, Time, Newsweek and U.S. News and World Report.

Television commercials will be aired primarily during Sunday morning news and commentary programs, beginning next week.

The ads feature students and Rockwell employees already involved in five of the company's more than 200 educational programs. In addition to significant employee participation, Rockwell and its people have donated more than $50 million to education-oriented programs and issues in the last decade.

''By spotlighting the company's commitment to education, Rockwell hopes to emphasize to our employees and others the need to volunteer their time to become more personally involved in education, particularly in stimulating the interest of students in science and math,'' said Richard R. Mau, senior vice president, communications.

''In addition to emphasizing kindergarten through 12th grade education, the ads demonstrate our support for lifelong learning. We encourage our employees to continue their education in order to better prepare themselves and others for job-related responsibilities and career advancement,'' Mau said.

''We want our customers to know that we are continually striving to help provide a workforce adept at creating innovative technology,'' Beall added.

The Los Angeles office of Bozell Inc. produced the advertising campaign.

Rockwell International is a $12 billion, multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The Pacific Bank (NASDAQ:PBSF) has reported record nine months earnings of $7,384,000, $1.92 a share, for the period ended Sept. 30, a 37 percent increase over net income of $5,398,000, $1.72 a share, for the nine months of 1989.

Norman C. Eckersley, chairman and chief executive officer, said earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $2,340,000, 61 cents a share, a 19 percent increase over net income of $1,965,000, 54 cents a share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Also, assets reached another record high of $779,384,000, up 22 percent from the previous year, deposits grew 23 percent to $689,371,000, and loans were up 20 percent to $599,261,000.

Eckersley also announced that The Pacific Bank has received approvals from the appropriate authorities to establish its own branch office in Hong Kong, which will replace existing subsidiary and representative offices there. He said that as a branch the Hong Kong office will be able to provide the bank's customers and prospective clients many expanded services not avialable from the present offices.

He said he is hopeful the Hong Kong branch will start operations within the next month.

The bank also has four offices in the San Francisco financial district, a representative in Tokyo and an off-shore facility in the Cayman Islands.

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HAYWARD, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - ComTech announced its distributorship of the new DiamondTel 99X, the latest technology in portable, cellular telephones from Mitsubishi Electronics.

The compact DiamondTel 99X is about the size of a dollar bill and weight just 10 1/2 ounces. Priced competitively, the trim Mitsubishi phone fits easily into the shirt pocket, purse, briefcase or beach bag.

And the 99X easily converts into a car phone. Its convenience and user-friendly featurers are unmatched.

The compact size of the DiamondTel 99X does not mean sacrifice of features. In fact, all of the features today's cellular telephone user demands are there ... and more.

The 99X offers memory to store 99 names and phone numbers, one touch dialing, 10 confidential memory locations, and automatic lock with programmable unlock

code. Its state-of-the-art cellular technology also includes a battery level indicator, 911 emergency override, automatic credit card dialing and dual antennas.

A small Travel Charger battery with a retractable plug for easy wall attachment provides 45 minutes of talk time -- or nine hours of stand-by. An optional high capacity battery provides an hour and a half of talk time and 17 hours of standby time.

Mitsubishi Electronics America Inc., Mobile Electronics Division, backs the DiamondTel 99X with a three-year limited warranty.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - MCEG Productions Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Management Company Entertainment Group Inc. (OTC:MCEG), Tuesday announced that it had filed with the United States Bankruptcy Court a Notice of Motion and Motion to Convert the Involuntary Petition under Chapter 7 of the United States Bankruptcy Code currently pending against it to a Chapter 11 case.

The motion has been set for hearing before the bankruptcy court.

In making the announcement, Raymond H. Godfrey Jr., president and acting chief executive officer of MCEG Inc., said, ''No petition in bankruptcy has been filed with respect to Management Company Entertainment Group Inc. or any other entity affiliated with MCEG, other than MCEG Productions Inc.''

Godfrey also said: ''Management Company Entertainment Group Inc. continues to explore financing arrangements and an overall restructuring plan. We are continuing serious discussions with our prime lender, GE Capital Corp. and other parties including Virgin Group Ltd. and the Norman Levy Group.''

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VENTURA, CALIF. (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Levy Bancorp, the parent of Bank of A. Levy, reported that for the first time in its history its quarterly earnings surpassed $2 million as it achieved net income of $2.04 million in

its third quarter, according to bank officials.

''It's largely the result of simple back-to-basics banking,'' said Marshall Milligan, president and chief executive officer of Levy Bancorp and its wholly owned subsidiary, Bank of A. Levy.

Net income increased 5.6 percent, or $109,000, over the second-quarter 1990 net income of $1.9 million, and 29.6 percent, or $466,000, over the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share increased to 71 cents per share in the third quarter of 1990, compared with 68 cents per share in the second quarter and 55 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989.

In addition, net income for the first nine months of 1990 increased by 31.8 percent, of $1.4 million, over the same period in 1989. Earnings per share increased 30.1 percent to $2.03 per share for the first nine months of 1990, compared with $1.56 for the same period in 1989. Shareholders' equity grew to 7.64 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, from 6.9 percent at Sept. 30, 1989.

The allowance for loan losses remains at 1.35 percent of outstanding loans, while delinquent loans were relatively stable over the past two quarters, at 1.17 percent of loans at Sept. 30, 1990, as compared with 0.98 percent at June 30, 1990 and 2.07 percent at Sept. 30, 1989.

Non-performing loans fell to 0.44 percent of total loans at Sept. 30, 1990, as compared with 0.55 percent at June 30, 1990 and 1.3 percent at Sept. 30, 1989.

While earnings and net income increased, the bank has held the line on costs. The ratio of operating expenses net of operating income to total assets decreased from 3.66 percent at Sept. 30, 1989 to 3.23 percent at Sept. 30, 1990.

Bank of A. Levy's assets total $621 million at Sept. 30, 1990. Subsequent to the purchase of deposits from Midwest Savings Association which took place on Oct. 5, 1990, Bank of A. Levy's total assets in Ventura County exceed $650 million. ''The acquisition reinforces our position in and reaffirms our commitment to Ventura County,'' said Milligan.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Logic Research Inc. (NASDAQ:AALR) announced Tuesday the Modular Processor System (MPS), providing 33-MHz 386DX, 25- and 33-MHz i486-based CPU upgradability on the advanced Micro Channel PC bus.

Its standard configuration in a small-footprint desktop chassis will enter the market at an aggressive retail price of $1,995.

The ALR MPS is designed to take advantage of today's cutting-edge applications in businesses. Additionally, Intel confirms ALR is the first PC manufacturer to use Intel's 386 Smart Cache, boosting the performance of the system by 65 percent.

The ALR MPS combines 32-bit Micro Channel bus master capabilities with Intel's 386DX CPU and latest 386 Smart Cache providing 16-KB cache (in 33-MHz 386 models) and i486 CPU with internal 8-KB cache. In all cases, the MPS implements a 25-percent faster performance rating than the classic AT-bus.

The MPS can expand memory up to 49-MB and provides hard-drive expansion up to 330-MB using an integrated IDE controller. It uses an optional ALR Micro Channel-compatible VGA which provides 1024-by-768 high resolution, available for $300. ALR also provides an optional TI 34010-compatible high-performance graphics upgrade solution supporting IBM's 8514-A standard.

The ALR MPS family will include a variety of models to choose from and will be available in November 1990 through ALR authorized resellers nationwide. The 33-MHz 386 ALR MPS 386/33 models are 101, 1, 40, 80 and 330.

All models provide a base configuration of 1-MB RAM and a 1.44-MB floppy drive; models 1, 40, 80 and 330 provide the base configuration and 16-KB Intel 386 Smart Cache. Models 40, 80 and 330 include a 40-MB, 80-MB and 330-MB hard drive, respectively.

The 25-MHz i486 ALR MPS i486/25 models are 101, 40, 80 and 330. All models provide a base configuration of 1-MB RAM, 8-KB internal cache and a 1.44-MB floppy drive; models 40, 80 and 330 include a 40-MB, 80-MB and 330-MB hard drive, respectively.

Advanced Logic Research is a leader in high-performance CPU technology. The company carries the most comprehensive line of ISA, Micro Channel and EISA-based PCs ranging from entry-level 12.5-MHz 286 computers to 33-MHz 386 and 33-MHz i486-based high-performance systems and multiprocessor systems based on UNIX and Novell.

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HAMILTON, Bermuda (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - NOREX AMERICA, INC. (AMEX Symbol: NXA) Tuesday announced that the company and institutional investors in the United States and Scandinavia have together acquired approximately $58 million of senior secured debt of Zapata Corp. (NYSE Symbol: ZOS), whose businesses include offshore drilling, oil and gas, marine protein and offshore service vessels.

NOREX's beneficial interest of the debt is $5.8 million at a purchase price of $3.1 million.

NOREX AMERICA, INC. is Manager of the Limited Partnership which has been formed among the Scandinavian investors for the purpose of holding one half of this debt. NOREX owns 20 percent of the Limited Partnership.

Zapata Corp. announced, on Sept. 5, that it had signed a definite agreement to sell its offshore drilling rig fleet for $298 million. Zapata's banks will be paid $160 million of the proceeds of the sale. The Limited Partnership's share of this repayment will be $8.5 million effectively reducing its purchase price to $7.0 million. If Zapata's financial restructuring is completed as planned, the Limited Partnership will indirectly hold a secured note from Zapata of $5.5 million and five million Zapata shares.

NOREX AMERICA, INC. stated that the acquisition of debt of Zapata Corp. in is line with the company's strategy of investments in the oil sector.

NOREX AMERICA, INC. owns offshore drilling rig debt and tanker chartering operations. The company is pursuing additional development opportunities in shipping and offshore marine activities.

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Human Designed Systems Inc. Tuesday announced a multimillion dollar OEM contract to provide versions of its ViewStation Plus line of X Window terminals to Delta Data Systems of Columbia, Md.

Under the terms of the OEM arrangement, Delta Data will purchase color and monochrome versions of HDS's high-performance X Window terminals, and modify them to comply with government Tempest regulations designed to reduce

emissions from the terminal for secure environments.

The Tempest versions of the X Window terminals will be sold under the Delta Data label, and are the first Tempest X Window terminals on the market.

Delta Data selected the HDS ViewStation Plus platform because of its modularity and price/performance. The modularity of the ViewStation Plus allowed Delta Data to incorporate keyboards, monitors and mice of their own design into the Tempest versions of the terminal.

This allowed Delta Data to reduce development time significantly and reduced overall cost of the product. The price/performance advantages of the ViewStation Plus Series will be carried over into the Delta Data terminals, allowing the terminals to offer up to 30,000 XSTONES of performance, as much as three times the performance of competitive products.

''Not only was the performance of the ViewStation Plus the best of the products we tested,'' noted Howard Koh, president of Delta Data Systems, ''but the fact that we could reduce time to market by using peripherals already in production allowed us to introduce the products months ahead of schedule.''

Delta Data Systems is located at 7175 Columbia Gateway Drive, Columbia, Md., 21046. Telephone 301/290-6400. Human Designed Systems is located at 421 Feheley Drive, King of Prussia, Pa. 19406. Telephone 215/277-8300.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. Tuesday announced first customer shipments of the latest version of the Santa Cruz Operations Inc.'s SCO UNIX System V/386, Release 3.2 Version 2, for its PW(2)500 AND 800 Personal Workstation Series families.

With this product offering, Unisys further strengthens its alliance with SCO, which began in 1986 with distribution of SCO XENIX on Unisys personal workstations. Today, Unisys is SCO's largest OEM customer.

In 1989, Unisys had the largest percentage increase in market share of any other U.S. UNIX Systems manufacturer in the small-scale systems group. (Source: IDC, 1989.) Unisys currently offers a wide range of products and the multi-user experience to support UNIX in the business environment.

With its support for Intel architectures and the addition of the popular SCO UNIX System V operating system to its product line, Unisys has become a major contender in the fast-growing UNIX PC marketplace.

Unisys is committed to providing innovative products and support programs to the UNIX marketplace. Customers who purchase SCO UNIX System V or SCO XENIX for PW(2) Series workstations will be able to select a service package from Unisys that combines maintenance, software support and related services into a single offering appropriate for their installations.

The Santa Cruz Operation Inc. is a privately held company recognized internationally as the worldwide leader in open system software solutions. SCO offers a wide range of UNIX System V software solutions, training and support services for standard hardware platforms. To date, SCO has shipped over 300,000 UNIX Systems for industry-standard computers -- more than any other supplier.

Founded in 1979, SCO fields a staff of over one thousand among its Santa Cruz, Calif., Washington D.C., Toronto, Canada and London, United Kingdom offices, including one of the largest UNIX System technical teams in the world.

Unisys Corp. is a $10 billion manufacturer of commercial information systems, defense systems and related services. It has approximately 75,000 employees and 60,000 customers in more than 100 countries.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - INTERACTIVE Systems Corp. Tuesday announced that it has agreed to provide key networking technology and integration services to Motorola Inc.'s (NYSE:MOT) Computer Group for its UNIX System V products.

INTERACTIVE will license to Motorola its portable family of UNIX Internet protocols, including STREAMS TCP, Simple Network Management Protocol and the Portable STREAMS Environment.

The agreement, valued at $1.4 million, has two parts. In addition to the licensing, INTERACTIVE will provide Motorola with custom software integration services for three years. INTERACTIVE will prototype and integrate evolving OSI networking technologies as well as existing TCP/IP networking technologies into Motorola's UNIX System V products.

INTERACTIVE's System V STREAMS TCP is an implementation of the TCP/IP networking capabilities which are now a standard part of AT&T's UNIX System V, Release 4. TCP/IP has been licensed by over 40 major computer system manufacturers. INTERACTIVE's SNMP, which has gained acceptance in the TCP/IP community as an effective network-management protocol, allows computer systems to exchange network status and performance information.

The Portable STREAMS Environment is an implementation of the AT&T UNIX STREAMS architecture which is free of AT&T source code and licensing restrictions and can be easily ported to non-UNIX environments.

The INTERACTIVE products, for UNIX System V, Releases 3 and 4, will be used on the Motorola's Delta Series and MultiPersonal Computers, based on the MC68000 and M88000 microprocessors. Initial porting of the Portable STREAMS Environment and TCP/IP into Motorola's VMEexec real-time software environment has already begun.

The Motorola Computer Group is committed to providing open computing solutions conforming to non-proprietary hardware, software and networking standards, and to providing a full range of distributed computing products to the commercial and technical marketplaces.

INTERACTIVE Systems Corp., a Kodak Company, is the leading supplier of UNIX software products, licensed software technologies, and consulting and development services to the UNIX industry and open-systems marketplace. INTERACTIVE Systems is headquartered at 2401 Colorado Ave., Santa Monica, Calif. 90404. Telephone 800/346-7111. (outside of United States 213/453-8649.

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ALAMEDA, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Mission Resource Partners, L.P. (ASE:MRP) has signed a definitive agreement to sell its two principal property interests to Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. (NYSE:SFR).

Under the agreement, which is subject to approval by Mission's unitholders and certain other conditions, Santa Fe will acquire Mission's Patrino Fee Property and Hill Property royalty interest for $56 million, plus a revenue sharing interest in production from the properties in the months of November and December 1990.

The two properties, which are located in Kern County, Calif., account for some 98 percent of Mission's oil and gas property interests. Mission is also

negotiating with Santa Fe, as well as several other interested parties, for the sale of the remaining minor property interests, according to Douglas K. Brown, president of Mission Resources Inc., Mission's manager.

''Following this sale and the sale of Mission's remaining properties, we plan to dissolve the partnership,'' Brown said. ''We currently estimate the amount of proceeds that will ultimately be distributed to unitholders as a result of the sales and the winding up may be approximately nine dollars per unit, but subject to a number of variables.

In July 1989, Mission announced that it had retained the First Boston Corp. for the purpose of exploring opportunities for sale or merger of the partnership. Since that time, MRP has implemented a significant downsizing of the partnership, including staff reductions and the sale of a number of producing properties and property interests.

Mission currently has interests in approximately 475 oil and gas wells which are located principally in California. The partnership has some 4.2 million units outstanding and approximately 5,600 unitholders. The managing general partner and its directors and shareholders own approximately 27.5 percent of the units outstanding.

Santa Fe Energy Resources is a large independent oil and gas exploration and production company with headquarters in Houston, and district offices in Houston and Midland, Texas, as well as Los Angeles and Bakersfield, Calif.

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TACOMA, WA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Puget Sound Bancorp (NASDAQ: PSNB) Tuesday reported record third quarter 1990 earnings of $11.9 million, or 74 cents per share, compared to a loss of $4.6 million, or 28 cents per share, for the same period last year.

Earnings for the first nine months were $34.9 million, or $2.13 per share, a 110.2 percent increase from $16.6 million, or $1.01 per share, for the first nine months of 1989.

''These solid earnings come despite a sizable provision for loan losses,'' explained W.W. Philip, chairman and chief executive officer. ''As we stated last quarter, we are aggressively continuing to build and replenish our reserves to assure ample coverage.''

The third quarter provision for loan losses was $6.6 million, bringing the year-to-date provision to $18.0 million. For the first nine months of 1989, $25.6 million was added to the allowance, including a provision of $20.5 million made in the third quarter to cover possible real estate losses.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the allowance for possible loan losses was $49.7 million, or 1.50 percent of loans outstanding, compared to $42.5 million, or 1.45 percent at year-end 1989.

Total assets at the end of the third quarter were $4.5 billion, up 3.9 percent from $4.3 billion at year-end 1989. Total deposits were $3.4 billion, up 8.6 percent from $3.2 billion over the same period. Total loans were up 1.3 percent to $3.35 billion, compared to $3.3 billion at year-end.

''Our management philosophy remains conservative, which is particularly important in today's economic environment,'' concluded Philip. ''We will continue to grow by focusing on fundamentals, including loan quality and adequate interests margins.''

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Novell Inc. (NASDAQ:NOVL), developer of NetWare systems software products, advanced its commitment to GOSIP (Government Open Systems Interconnect Profile) standards by announcing technology partnerships with Retix and Touch Communications that have produced the first NetWare MHS-to-X.400 electronic mail gateway products.

These gateway products are part of Novell's solution for compliance with federally mandated GOSIP specifications. They also offer the installed base of NetWare users connectivity to an important emerging international messaging standard.

Further, the gateways provide X.400 environments integration with MHS, which has become a messaging standard among Novell's worldwide installed base.

Novell is also demonstrating another GOSIP-compliant technology, an FTAM (File Transfer, Access and Management) responder (server) running over an OSI protocol stack, as part of Interop's OSI Showcase demonstration.

FTAM defines a file transfer facility for exchanging data in a multivendor OSI environment. Taken together, the X.400 gateways and FTAM technology will satisfy GOSIP v1.0 compliance requirements.

The X.400 gateways are software products that allow users to send and receive electronic mail messages between NetWare MHS and X.400 environments. NetWare MHS, a Novell technology, has become a standard messaging protocol among LAN E-mail users worldwide.

Both products have been developed using published NetWare MHS interfaces, allowing the gateways to be used by any NetWare MHS-compliant application, such as DaVinci eMail and Action Technologies' The Coordinator.

Novell has also announced plans to support the Application Programming Interface Association (APIA) messaging interface in future X.400 gateway products for the entire NetWare product line. The APIA, a standards organization concerned with messaging protocols, specified this interface in mid-September of this year.

The interface offers developers a consistent, open development platform for NetWare MHS applications and further demonstrates Novell's commitment to standards.

X.400 is a standard messaging protocol defined by the International Telegraph and Telephone Consultative Committee (CCITT) and adopted by the International Standards Organization (ISO) for use with networks based on its Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) model. GOSIP is an implementation of the OSI model specified by the federal government.

X.400 defines the services available for message sending across a network but does not deal directly with the user interface. As such, it provides a basis for building a user interface. Because of the protocol definition, networks implementing X.400 are able to communicate with other X.400 implementations regardless of the physical equipment, operating system or network protocols.

Novell Inc. develops NetWare systems software products that manage and control the sharing of data across a variety of network computing environments, including computer workgroups, departmental networks and business-wide information systems.

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ROTTERDAM, HOLLAND (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - VOC, Van Ommeren Ceteco, has the intention to sell its tank container interests to Stolt-Nielsen.

The transaction includes the transfer of the entire container fleet from VOC

subsidiary Liquid and Gas Transport (LGT) to Stolt-Nielsen Nederland B.V. (SNN). The fleet consists of 825 tank containers which are partly owned or leased. LGT specializes in the transportation of liquefied gases and chemicals for third parties.

VOC's involvement on the international tank container market through LGT certainly has long term prospects. However, to achieve the envisaged market position, it would be necessary to make substantial investments without meeting the required return on investment for a number of years. For this reason VOC intends to transfer the interests to Stolt-Nielsen who is already engaged in operating a large fleet of tank containers in the international market.

Stolt Tank Containers, a subsidiary of Stolt Tankers and Terminals (Holdings) S.A., (NASDAQ: STLTF), operates primarily in door-to-door transportation of bulk liquids worldwide and in container leasing. The acquisition of the LGT tank containers can easily be integrated into Stolt Tank Containers' services with minimum disruption, and will enable Stolt-Nielsen to continue its growth in the tank container business and ensure continued high quality service to its customers.

Stolt Tankers and Terminals (Holdings) S.A. is an international transportation company specializing in the distribution of bulk liquids both by land and sea. The company operates worldwide with 21 offices in 12 countries. Stolt-Nielsen provides distribution services among most maritime countries with its combination of transoceanic and coastal parcel tankers; door-to-door intermodal tank container service throughout the world, combined with tank container leasing; five regional storage and distribution centers in the United States, Northwest Europe and Brazil; as well as barges, railcars and tank trucks.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - CMS Enhancements Inc. (NYSE:CME), a global producer of mass-data storage devices and accessories, Tuesday announcd more memory-module upgrades for most leading personal computers, in addition to their memory modules for the PS/1 announced last month.

The new memory modules support a wide variety of systems including IBM's PS/2, Compaq, Macintosh, AST and Toshiba. The CMS line includes modules with capacities up to 4 Mbytes of memory. The company also announced memory-upgrade boards for IBM PC/AT and compatibles as well as the HP LaserJet

line of printers.

''From full-page, high-resolution graphics to CAD/CAM applications to multiuser environments, our memory upgrades for HP LaserJet printers can keep pace with the expansion of printing requirements,'' explained Doug Clemons, memory-enhancements product manager for CMS Enhancements.

''We are using our experience in the production of storage devices and are combining it with advances in memory technology. These memory-enhancements products are a natural complement to our existing line of disk and tape drives '' added Clemons.

Available after Oct. 1, many of the memory-enhancement products are backed by a two-year warranty.

CMS Enhancements is a $200 million public company producing mass-data storage devices and accessories for computers manufactured by Apple, IBM, Compaq, Digital Equipment Corp., Epson, NEC, Toshiba, Tandy, AT&T, Sun Microsystems, Commodore, AST and many others.

The firm, with headquarters in Southern California, ships more than 50,000 hard-disk and tape drives per month to 1,500 dealers and distributors in the United States and 60 other nations.

Additional information is available from Doug Clemons, memory-enhancements product manager, CMS Enhancements Inc., 2722 Michelson Dr., Irvine, Calif. 92714; phone 714/222-6193; fax 714/549-4004.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Computer Systems Inc. stated that, in response to ASK's request for an interpretation, it has been advised by the NASD that as a condition of the continued listing of ASK's common stock as National Market System security, the proposed sale of approximately 5.6 million shares of common stock to EDS Corp. and Hewlett-Packard Co. will require shareholder approval.

As previously announced, ASK believes that it has no obligation to keep its shares listed on the National Market System. ASK said that under the NASD rules its shares will instead trade in the NASDAQ over-the-counter market. ASK stated that this change in the stock's trading markets was unlikely to affect the marginability of its stock under Federal Reserve Board rules.

Sandra Kurtzig, ASK chairman, president and chief executive officer, said, ''We believe that completing the sale of shares to EDS and HP and the acquisition of Ingres is in the best interests of the company. As a Delaware corporation, we have no requirement for shareholder approval of the stock sale to EDS and HP or the Ingres purchase. We believed that a contingency such as shareholder approval of the sale of the shares as part of the financing for the acquisition would not have been acceptable to Ingres.''

ASK is the leading supplier of enterprise-wide information systems for manufacturing companies. It completed its fiscal year 1990 in June with revenue of $207 million.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Sony Corp. received three Emmy Awards for Outstanding Achievement in Engineering Development from the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences (NATAS) in a ceremony held in New York Oct. 9 at the Sheraton Center Hotel.

Winning three Emmys in a single year establishes a new record for achievement, according to the Academy.

The awards were presented for (1) Still Picture Transmission Technology for News; (2) Automated/Robotic Record Playback Video Technology for Large Libraries, and (3) Developments in Metal Particle Tape Technology.

Accepting the award on behalf of Sony Corp. for Still Picture Transmission Technology for News, Sony Corp. of America President and Chief Operating Officer Neil Vander Dussen thanked the Academy for its unprecedented recognition of Sony achievements, and its tribute to the development of a brand-new electronic news gathering tool.

Still picture transmission for news was born with development of the Mavica still video camera in 1981 and achieved international prominence in 1989 when three American broadcasting systems used it to document history in the making from Tiananmen Square, People's Republic of China.

The award for Automated/Robotic Record Playback Video Technology for Large Libraries was presented to Masayuki Takano, director and senior general manager, Communications Systems Group, in recognition of the company's development of microprocessor control technology for automated video record and playback applications.

In development for nearly ten years, Betacard and Library Management System

(LMS) automated playback systems were designed to satisfy broadcasters' increasingly more sophisticated operational requirements, including the recent integration of D-2 Composite Digital video equipment into automated/robotic systems.

Sony received Emmy Awards for the development of the Betacam format in 1986 and for D-2 Composite Digital video tape recording in 1989.

According to NATAS, the prestigious Outstanding Achievement in Engineering Development Award is given to an individual or company for engineering developments that are either extensive improvements or so innovative in nature that they materially affect the transmission, recording or reception of television.

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PARIS (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Accor, the Paris-based international hotel and food service group, Tuesday reported record results for the first half of 1990.

On a 13.9 percent increase in revenues, Accor achieved net income before exceptional items of FF 331.0 million ($59.2 million(a)), up 50.0 percent over the comparable 1989 level. Cash flow rose by over 70 percent.

The Group's strong increase in cash flow reflects capital gains on the sale of a hotel property in Paris, partly offset by a non-recurring provision for risks at Accor's SCAPA unit.

The strong rise of the Group's operating margins reflects the healthy level of activities in the Group's European hotel operations -- particularly in Germany and Benelux -- robust rowth in service vouchers in Europe, and the recent disposal of the Group's less profitable restaurant activities.

In Brazil, the temporary recession in service voucher and hotel activities following the implementation of the Collor program was offset in part by the strong performance recorded in the first quarter of the year.

Since the beginning of 1990, growth continued in all of the Group's sectors.

In the hotel sector, the Group opened 49 hotels, representing 3,884 rooms, in the first half of the year. As of June 30, the Group operated 917 hotels totalling 106,700 rooms.

In the restaurant sector, the Group opened 17 new commercial restaurants and 70 institutional restaurants in the first half of the year; as a whole, the

Group now operates over 2,900 restaurants in seven countries.

In service vouchers, a sector in which Accor is far and away the world leader, 275,000 new users per day were enrolled during the first half of 1990; a total of 4.5 million people in 12 countries use Accor's service vouchers daily.

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RONKONKOMA. NY (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - PDK Labs Inc. (NASDAQ Symbols: PDKL U PDKL, PDKL W) announced Tuesday that it had completed the acquisition of certain of the assets of Reach Pharmaceuticals Inc., a private Tennessee corporation which distributes its own name brand pharmaceutical products in the mid-Atlantic states.

PDK Labs Inc. (the ''Company'') acquired Reach Pharmaceuticals (''Reach'') for cash and restricted shares of the company's securities.

In addition to acquiring Reach's tradenames, customer list and certain other assets, PDK has also entered into an exclusive five year employment agreement with Robert A. Hardin. Hardin, who was the president of Reach immediately prior to the acquisition, will serve as the company's Vice President of Marketing and Sales.

Perry D. Krape, president of PDK, noted that ''We are very pleased with the entire Reach acquisition in numerous respects. We anticipate that Mr. Hardin's experience and reputation will enable him to make a significant contribution to the company. In addition, Reach's brand name products will fit well with the company's current product line. Finally, the acquisition provides the company with entry into new geographic markets while simultaneously expanding of the company's overall customer base.''

The company manufactures and distributes over-the-counter products and vitamins, principally through direct mail catalogues. The company's line of products primarily consists of non-prescription caffeine products, pain relievers, decongestants, diet aids and a broad line of vitamins, nutritional supplements and cosmetics.

The company completed an initial public offering of 1,725,000 units earlier this year, each unit consisting of one share of common stock and one redeemable common stock purchase warrant. Hibbard Brown & Co. Inc., a New York based investment bank, was the managing underwriter of the company's

initial public offering.

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PORTLAND, ME (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - A Maine company announced the production of its two-piece ELF meter, ELF Sense, which makes measuring extremely low frequency (ELF) magnetic fields easy and convenient.

According to Robert Wagner, president of ExpanTest Inc. of Portland, as far as he knows ELF Sense is the only two-piece ELF meter with analog readout on the market. ''We designed ELF Sense for its utility. The two-component system allows you to find the correct maximum field direction while easily reading the results. This arrangement takes advantage of its basic 1 percent resolution.''

ELF fields are associated with the currents produced in the generation, transformation, transmission, and use of ordinary AC electric power. ELF fields are also produced by the vertical deflection systems used in television receivers and computer video display terminals (VDTs, also called ''monitors''). These fields have become the subject of increased concern and study in the past year or so.

ELF Sense consists of two hand-held units permanently connected by a cable: One unit contains the 1/2 inch diameter sensing element; the other unit contains the analog readout. Full scale ranges are 0-3, 10, 30, 100, and 1000 milligauss. Frequency response is 40 to beyond 600 Hz. Accuracy is conservatively specified as plus-minus 5 percent of reading plus-minus 5 percent of full scale. Noise is below 0.1 milligauss.

ELF Sense reads the true root-mean-square (RMS) of the signal, thereby giving the ''correct'' reading for complex waveforms, such as the sawtooth found in VDT vertical deflection systems. It is powered by a regular 9V battery with an anticipated life of over 250 hours.

Wagner says the ELF Sense is primarily intended for the professional and environmental test and power utility market. He feels that ELF Sense will interest those homeowners, and companies that rent environmental testing equipment to homeowners, who want a professional ELF meter which is easy to use.

ELF Sense is priced at $295.00 which includes UPS ground shipment in the 48 states. Wagner may be contacted at ExpanTest Inc., 232 St. John Street, Suite 316, Portland, ME 04102, 207/871-0224.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Interlink Computer Sciences Inc. Tuesday announced SNS/NFS, a new, low-cost, software solution which allows IBM S/370 mainframes running the Multiple Virtual Storage (MVS) operating system to operate as powerful network servers for attached Network File System (NFS) client systems.

SNS/NFS is available immediately and is priced at $9,950.

SNS/NFS is part of Interlink's SNS Network Integration family of connectivity products which combine IBM MVS mainframes and TCP/IP networks.

Working with Interlink's SNS/TCPaccess and SNS/API, SNS/NFS gives network clients supporting the NFS model, including Sun workstations, PCs, and minicomputers, high capacity and performance along with centralized maintenance and management capabilities.

As an important network application, it strengthens Interlink's position as a leading provider of application solutions for multivendor, multiprotocol environments.

By combining the best aspects of NFS and the MVS operating system, SNS/NFS offers other unique benefits. It extends mainframe security to the NFS environment with support for popular security packages including RACF, ACF2, and TOP SECRET. In addition, users can transparently access IBM data sets, increasing productivity and use of existing resources.

Interlink originally adapted NFS to the mainframe environment in the 1989 with the introduction of NFSconnect, which relied on a Sun workstation as the physical connection. When Interlink introduced the Network Integration family in March of this year, work to integrate the product into the new family was begun. SNS/NFS is the result of that work.

''We see important advantages to this solution for our customers,'' said Thomas Tansy, product manager for Interlink. ''Many Fortune 500 companies, especially in discrete manufacturing and telecommunications, have requirements for multigigabyte data storage with managed access, and are also looking to deploy enterprise-wide client/server architectures.

''SNS/NFS fits perfectly into this environment. Also our software approach uses existing mainframe systems and administrative staff. Finally, our product is market tested and developed here at Interlink, so customers will get a stable product with excellent support and resources to add new features and

functionality.''

Interlink Computer Sciences creates customer solutions, based on industry standards, that integrate computer networks, applications, data and peripherals. With headquarters in Fremont, Interlink has branch offices and distributors located throughout the United States, Europe, Latin America, and Asia Pacific.

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BELLEVUE, WA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Saros Corp. Tuesday announced a marketing and technology development program targeted to original equipment manufacturers (OEMs).

Companies involved in server-hardware, databases, vertical application development and networking can now take advantage of a broad range of services designed to provide assistance to the OEM in integrating Saros Mezzanine network file management facilities with their hardware and/or software products.

Concurrently, in a contract estimated to be worth up to $70 million, NCR has announced NCR Cooperation, a cooperative computing software platform that enables users to connect people, resources and information in an enterprise-wide information network. The file management facilities of Cooperation are based upon an embedded and extended version of Saros Mezzanine.

The Saros product is the basis for the information storage manager function of Cooperation. Today Cooperation supports OS/2. Future versions are planned for UNIX.

OEM Integration Possibilities

Mezzanine is an open client/server development platform for building distributed network applications that use unstructured data. The information processed by such applications is not in the traditional ''record-oriented'' format that relational database rely on; rather it is in such objects as scanned images, text files or engineering drawings. A rich set of integration tools means that programmers can integrate applications directly to Mezzanine whether the application runs in a DOS, Windows or OS/2 client environment.

Saros/OEM Relationship

Founded in 1986, Saros Corp. is a privately held company based in Bellevue, Wash. Saros develops, markets and supports software for information management in distributed network environments.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Resources Inc. (BR) reported third quarter 1990 net income from continuing operations of $38 million, or $0.27 per share, compared with $33 million, or $0.23 per share, for the same period last year.

In the first nine months, net income from continuing operations totaled $157 million, or $1.10 per share, compared with $117 million, or $0.78 per share, for the same period in 1989. Improved earnings were largely the result of higher natural gas and oil sales volumes and increased oil prices.

Third quarter operating income from Meridian Oil, BR's exploration and production company, increased to $54 million from $31 million a year ago. The improvement reflected higher natural gas and crude oil sales volumes and increased oil prices. The third quarter of 1989 included a natural gas contract take-or-pay recovery which increased that period's operating income by $6 million.

Natural gas sales averaged 616 million cubic feet per day (mmcf/d) during the third quarter and were 16 percent above the 531 mmcf/d sold in the same quarter last year. Natural gas prices declined by nine percent to $1.27 per thousand cubic feet (mcf) compared with an average price of $1.40 per mcf for last year's third quarter.

In the third quarter of 1990, oil sales increased by 22 percent to 35,400 barrels per day from 28,900 barrels a year ago. The higher volumes reflect continued success with horizontal drilling in the Bakken (North Dakota) and the Austin Chalk (Texas) formations. Oil prices also rose sharply, averaging $24.77 in the 1990 quarter compared with $18.10 per barrel in the same quarter last year.

Third quarter 1990 operating income from El Paso Natural Gas, the company's interstate pipeline, was $38 million against $34 million a year ago. Pipeline throughput for both periods was approximately 3.6 billion cubic feet per day.

Third quarter 1990 consolidated interest expense increased by $19 million from the 1989 quarter primarily as a result of new borrowings.

For the first nine months, capital expenditures increased to $883 million from $423 million a year ago, due to additional acquisition and development of gas and oil properties.

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ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Micro Technology Inc. (MTI) today announced two accords: a technology and marketing agreement with Optical Data Systems (ODS), a Richardson, Texas, manufacturer of fiber optic network equipment, and a marketing arrangement with Xyplex Inc., a Boxborough, Mass.-based, communication server company.

Micro Technology will incorporate technology from the two vendors' products into its LANCE network management system, so that network managers can monitor their multi-segment, multi-vendor networks from a single console. These two pacts are significant steps in a series of vendor-specific agreements whereby MTI incorporates private technology into LANCE for true interoperability.

Said Steve Hamerslag, president of MTI: ''With the cooperative efforts with ODS and Xyplex, LANCE can more closely monitor a larger number of vendors' products. The end user's desire for true interoperability is now that much closer to being met.''

Under the terms of the agreement, ODS has provided MTI with its private management information base (MIB), which MTI has incorporated into LANCE, so that ODS customers can manage ODS devices, and other network devices, from a single console and user interface. ODS will purchase a minimum of 100 units of LANCE for resale to its customers.

MTI also has a joint effort under way with Xyplex Inc., a premier supplier of user-to-host connectivity solutions based upon industry standards protocols such as LAT, TCP/IP, TN 3270 and SNMP. Xyplex products include: terminal servers, network print servers, budges, gateways and configuration tools.

LANCE is a multi-vendor, multi-segment network management system that helps companies prevent and track problems, increase network productivity, ensure security, and help managers plan for future network needs. From a single console, network managers can see and analyze their entire distributed network system.

Established in 1979, Micro Technology is a proven leader in the design,

manufacture and marketing of quality enhancement products in networking, storage subsystems and system software for the VAX/VMS and Unix environments. A privately held company, for the fiscal year ended March 1990, MTI had revenues of $55 million, and anticipates 1991 revenues of $80 million. The company supports its customers through 45 sales and service locations in the United States, Canada, Australia and Europe.

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MORRISTOWN, NJ (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Computer Systems Tuesday announced that NCR Corp. has become the sixth company to license AT&T's LAN Manager/X Server.

NCR said it has incorporated AT&T's network operating system technology in its NCR LAN Manager/X offering for the NCR System 3000. Both single-processor and multi-processor versions of LAN Manager/X will be offered under UNIX(R) System V Release 4.0, with support for multiple LAN protocols within both Ethernet and Token Ring networks.

The AT&T LAN Manager/X Server is AT&T's UNIX system implementation of Microsoft's LAN Manager technology for original equipment manufacturers (OEMs). Developed by AT&T Bell Laboratories, it provides vendors with a feature-rich network operating system for computers connected by local area networks.

''AT&T's versatile network operating system is based on the UNIX system, which provides the most flexible and scalable networking environment. It also offers the most robust capability for interoperability -- regardless of what desktop operating system, LAN media type or protocol a customer may use,'' said Scott Perry, AT&T Computer Systems vice president of marketing and strategy.

''Among NCR's commercial customers, strong support for DOS and OS/2 clients is an important requirement,'' said Van Aggelakos, assistant vice president of NCR's General Purpose Products Group. ''AT&T's LAN Manager/X implementation provides the solid performance that we need, along with strong support for the LAN Manager API set endorsed by X/Open. In addition, AT&T's server offering is specifically tailored for operation within the UNIX System V Release 4 environment.''

In May, AT&T announced that Unisys, Olivetti, Data General Corp., ICL and

Dansk Data Elektronik have licensed the software. The company is pursuing additional OEM agreements.

''Microsoft is pleased with NCR's strengthened commitment to LAN Manager,'' said Mike Murray, general manager of the Network Business Unit at Microsoft Corp. ''Today's announcement furthers LAN Manager's role as the networking standard for multi-vendor solutions integrating major operating systems including Microsoft MS-DOS, Windows and OS/2; Digital Equipment Corp. VMS; and the UNIX system from various vendors.''

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. Tuesday announced a contract awarded by Revenue Canada which will result in one of the largest networks of personal computers ever installed in Canada.

3Com's 3+Open LAN Manager has been chosen as the primary network software for the Goods and Services Tax (GST) Office Systems project by Revenue Canada, Customs and Excise. The network will connect more than 3,000 workstations at 54 sites across Canada before the end of this year. By the time the system is fully installed on Jan. 1, 1991, thousands of GST forms will be processed daily on the network.

According to Hyne, 3+Open was also chosen because it has the most complete support for IBM's NetView network management mainframe application -- providing access all the way down to interface cards in the workstations. It is also highly reliable and easy to manage network software that meets the federal government's strict security standards.

The GST Office LAN project will provide Revenue Canada branch staff across Canada with access to the GST database on the department's IBM-compatible mainframe computer in Ottawa.

The staff will process registrations, key in requests for statements, generate audits and handle enquiries directly from the workstations.

The branch staff will perform standard office automation tasks, including spreadsheets and word processing on the network. The number of workstations connected to the network is expected to grow more than 8,000 units by next year.

At each location, the workstations will be connected to servers over a token ring network, using 3+Open LAN Manager for communications, file sharing and LAN management. More than 100 servers at the 54 sites, each running under OS/2, will provide printing and file services, and act as gateways to wide-area networks.

3Com Corp. is a leading independent global data networking company, providing multivendor connectivity that spans organizations and businesses worldwide. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports a wide range of networking systems based on industry standards and open system architecture.

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BROADVIEW, IL (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Dyna Group Int'l. Inc. settles lawsuit with Nolan.

Roger Tuttle, chief executive officer of Dyna Group Int'l. Inc. announced that the pending cause of action that Nolan brought against Dyna Group more than a year ago, as well as Dyna Group's counter claim against Nolan, were finally settled between Nolan, Dyna Tour, Dyna Group and Tuttle. Even though Dyna Group Int'l. Inc. was never proven to have done anything wrong and was indeed completely innocent of all allegations, Dyna agreed to settle this dispute in order to avoid the protracted cost, time and energy involved in litigation and mainly to prevent the uncertainty of any such litigation depressing the shareholder value of Dyna Group Int'l. Inc.'s stock by creating a contingent liability.

Also, Dyna Group International Inc. announced that the U.S. Court of Appeals ruled in favor of Great American Products (GAP is a subsidiary of Dyna Group Int'l. Inc.) upholding the summary judgment previously awarded to GAP by the U.S. District Court for Western Missouri. This case has been litigated for over three years and originally sought $5,850,000 in damages from GAP. However, for the third time in this case, the courts overturned the appeal and ruled in favor of Dyna Group Int'l. Inc. and completely dismissed all claims against GAP (Dyna Group Int'l. Inc.) and the judge has closed the case.

This favorable ruling removed $5,850,000 in potential liability for Dyna Group Int'l. Inc. and resulted in no material damage to Dyna Group Int'l. Inc.'s financial statement.

Dyna Group Int'l. Inc. is comprised of a core group of wholly owned subsidiaries engaged in the design, production, manufacturing, importing and marketing of consumer products, for sale to the retail leisure, sports, recreational and gift markets; design and production of corporate premium

products; and the development and administration of corporate incentive and promotional programs.

The company's corporate customers include AT&T, Coca-Cola, Motorola, Pennzoil, Pepsi-Cola and Texaco. In the retail community, Dyna Group maintains distribution agreements with mass merchandisers such as K-Mart, Sears, J.C. Penney, Marshall Field and over 3,000 specialty stores, as well as by major mail order catalogs.

Two of the company's premier retail products are Continental Tires and Colnago Bicycles.

Dyna Group's newly acquired, wholly-owned subsidiary, Great American Marketing Services Corp., is engaged in creative sales promotion and marketing on a national level.

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NOVATO, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - WordStar International Inc. (NASDAQ:WDST) Tuesday announced the appointment of Ronald S. Posner as chief executive officer, as an initial step leading to future changes in the management of the company.

Additional announcements regarding new management and products will be made over the next three months.

Stanley Cohen, a director and recent investor in the company was in charge of the executive search committee. ''Ron has an excellent track record in building and revitalizing software companies over the past seven years as a senior executive manager at Peter Norton Computing, Ansa and Ashton-Tate,'' said Cohen.

Seymore Rubinstein, founder and director of WordStar, said he is pleased that WordStar has attracted someone of Posner's caliber to join the company as chief executive officer.

The WordStar software program revolutionized the computer industry in 1979 by providing a compelling reason to purchase a personal computer -- users could write with it and edit documents before printing them. WordStar 6.0, released in March 1990, offers text and graphics integration, pull-down menus, style sheets, page preview and desktop publishing features such as kerning and scalable fonts, plus support for HP Laserjet III and PostScript printers.

The company also announced that the board of directors has approved a stock buyback plan of up to 1 million shares. Purchases will be made from time to time in the open market depending on market conditions.

Prior to joining WordStar, Posner served as president and chief executive officer of Peter Norton Computing Inc., in Santa Monica, Calif., from April 1989 to August 1990. Posner served as president and chief executive officer of Ansa Software from November 1986 to December 1987.

WordStar International, founded in 1978 as MicroPro International, is a leading supplier of business productivity software products for IBM PC users. These products are among the largest-selling microcomputer software programs in the world, having been translated into 14 languages and having built a 3.5 million installed user base.

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DALLAS (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Harken Energy Corp. (''Harken'') (NYSE:HEC) of Dallas Tuesday announced the appointment of Neil H. McLaurin as president and chief executive officer of Harken's wholly-owned subsidiary, E-Z Serve Holding Co. Inc. (''E-Z'').

E-Z, which announced on Oct. 2 that it proposes to acquire Frontier Refining and Marketing Co. upon the successful completion of the acquisition.

McLaurin comes to E-Z after a 22-year career with Tenneco beginning in 1966 as a refinery process engineer. During his tenure with Tenneco, he gained experience in such diverse areas as refinery engineering and planning, business risk evaluation and management of wholesale and retail marketing.

Upon his departure in 1988 when Tenneco's oil division was sold, McLaurin was Tenneco's vice president of wholesale marketing from 1983 through 1987. In this capacity, he was responsible for managing 450 retail outlets which generated $700 million in sales and employed over 3500 people.

McLaurin's other Tenneco responsibilities included oversight of major synthetic fuel projects and creation and development of a planning department for refining, petrochemical, gas processing and supply/distribution. He also served as Tenneco's assistant chief of exploration ad production planning and was responsible for various Tenneco start-up ventures.

For the past two years, he has served in a consulting role with a Houston investment company where he has evaluated numerous refining and marketing acquisition candidates on behalf of other parties.

McLaurin's educational background includes a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from the University of Texas in 1966, followed by his completion of the Petroleum Economics and Management Course at Northwestern University in 1974 and the Stanford Executive Program at Stanford University in 1982.

HEC explores for, develops and produces oil and gas reserves domestically through its subsidiary Harken Exploration Co. and internationally through its subsidiary Harken Bahrain Oil Co. HEC provides contract drilling and workover/well services through its subsidiary, Harken Resource Management Corp.

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Corporate Data Sciences Inc. (NASDAQ:CODS, Pacific Stock Exchange:CDS), annouced Tuesday that in anticipation of the merger between CDS and its 90 percent owned subsidiary, Consolidated Packaging Corp., (CPC), effective Monday, Oct. 8, Keith Brackpool resigned as an officer of CDS and concurrently, Michael Carrender, the president and chief executive officer of CPC, became the new president/chief executive officer and a director of CDS.

Brackpool will remain as a director of CDS and CPC.

CDS has recently completed the distribution of its shares of the ARIL Group Inc. and intends to continue the implementation of its previously announced restructuring through the merger of CPC into the company. In connection with the intended merger, CDS intends to file a proxy statement with the SEC this week in order to change the name of CDS to Consolidated Packaging Corp. Holdings, to reflect its current operations.

The board of directors will issue additional press releases concerning the merger as developments arise.

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WESTBORO, MA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Data General Corp. Tuesday announced a

series of corporate moves that will enable the company to better serve its customers and further strengthen its product development efforts.

Senior Vice President Tom West will head a newly created Advanced Systems Development group. The company also said three new vice presidents with broad computer industry experience have joined the company and that new organizations have been formed to focus on the company's proprietary ECLIPSE and AViiON open systems product lines and the fast growing systems integration business.

In his new position, West will lead a group of developers who will determine and evaluate technologies for implementation in future generations of Data General products. He will continue to report to President and Chief Excutive Officer Ronald L. Skates.

West has been with Data General for 18 years. During that time he led the team that developed the company's first 32-bit ECLIPSE systems, established the MV as a leading systems architecture, and spearheaded the company's movement into the open systems world with its RISC-based AViiON family.

The new presidents are Allan Jennings, vice president, AViiON Development Group; Peter Gyenes, vice presdient and general manager, International; and William Zastrow, division vice president, Open Systems Marketing Group.

Jennings joins the company after serving most recently as vice president and general manager of the Unix Systems Division at Unisys. Gyenes has been senior vice president of Marketing and Sales for Encore Computer. Zastrow was previously director of UNIX Product Marketing at Dell Computer.

The Data Solutions Co., a newly formed division of Data General which will focus on the systems integration market, will be headed by Division Vice President David Jacob, who joined Data General in April after 18 years at Electronic Data Systems (EDS) Corp. Under Jacob's direction, the new division will provide comprehensive information processing solutions through the combination of professional services and systems integration of software, communication and hardware technologies. International

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Sienna Holdings Inc., a private investment firm formed to acquire and operate growth-oriented, middle-market companies, has formally announced the closing of its initial fund with $40 million of available equity capital.

The two general partners of Sienna, Daniel Skaff and Thomas Turpin, will concentrate on the acquisition of companies with purchase prices of between $10 million and $100 million. The partners will take an active role in the operations of the companies they acquire.

Skaff was formerly with Bankers Trust Co. in Los Angeles where he spent several years in the acquisition finance area before being assigned to develop the firm's middle-market corporate finance effort in the Western United States. Prior to Bankers Trust, he was a vice president in corporate finance for Bank of America in New York.

Turpin has worked for Booz, Allen & Hamilton in San Francisco as a management consultant and Goldman, Sachs & Co. in New York as a corporate finance professional. Prior to forming Sienna with Skaff, he was a principal at Brentwood Associates, a Los Angeles risk capital firm.

Sienna was formed with the assistance of InterWest Partners of Menlo Park, Calif., an established venture capital firm with over $250 million under management. InterWest has helped several other firms raised funds and maintains close working relationships with these investment companies.

''We have a very deep resource in InterWest Partners and its extended network of affiliated investment firms around the country. This relationship provides us with additional access to talented operating executives, local market contacts in a variety of businesses, and additional capital should the need arise,'' stated general partner Skaff.

Sienna's office is located in Los Angeles.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Ehrlich Bober Financial Corp. announced Tuesday that, effective immediately, its investment banking and broker/dealer subsidiary, Ehrlich Bober & Co. Inc., would cease ongoing operations.

Citing continued losses due to, among other things, the enduring negative impact of tax reform on the municipal finance industry and the current slowdown affecting most of Wall Street, the company stated that it would not pursue new business transactions and would concentrate on closing out its open commitments.

The company further stated that its resources are more than adequate to fulfill its open securities commitments. All such transactions will close in the normal and ordinary course.

Arrangements are being made to transfer remarketing agency relationships to other broker/dealers, and pending completion of those arrangements, Ehrlich Bober & Co. Inc. will continue as remarketing agent for the relevant securities issues.

The board of directors will consider alternatives with regard to the future operations of the holding company, Ehrlich Bober Financial Corp.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM Tuesday introduced its first medialess Personal System/2 (a), the PS/2(a) Model 55 LS (LAN Station), ideally suited for customers to use as a local area network workstation.

The medialess workstation provides customers an easy-to-install, cost-efficient system with greater data security and protection. The Model 55 LS, based on IBM's best-selling Model 55 SX, comes with either a Token-Ring or Ethernet adapter card and is configured without a hard disk or diskette drive. The LAN station can be upgraded with an optional diskette drive and a hard disk.

The PS/2 Model 55 LS is configured with a Remote Initial Program Load (RIPL) feature, allowing customers to easily install the system in either a Token-Ring or Ethernet local area network. Local area networks enable several personal computers, or clients, to be linked together to share a wide range of resources, such as files, software and printers.

Based on a 16 megahertz (MHz) 80386SX microprocessor and IBM's Micro Channel(a) architecture, the PS/2 Model 55 LS comes with 2 megabytes (MB) of memory, expandable to 16 MB of total system memory and two available 16-bit expansion slots. In addition, the system has a hard-disk storage bay and a diskette drive bay, should storage options be required in the future.

IBM today also introduced the IBM PS/2 Adapter/A for Ethernet Networks, a 10 megabit per second adapter card which allows all Micro Channel-based PS/2s to be connected to an Ethernet local area network. Both the new adapter and IBM's 16/4 Token-Ring Network Adapter/A are available as standard features on the Model 55 LS, and as options for all other Micro Channel PS/2s.

The Token Ring model of the 55 LS is supported by DOS 3.3 and DOS 4.0 on a

network server running Operating System/2(a) Extended Edition Version 1.2 and OS/2(a) LAN Server Version 1.2, Novell NetWare(a) 286 or 386, Banyan Vines(a) or PC LAN Program 1.33.

The Ethernet model of the 55 LS is supported by DOS 3.3 and DOS 4.0 on a network server running Novell NetWare 286 or 386 or Banyan Vines.

IBM intends to enhance OS/2 LAN Server to support Remote Initial Program Load of OS/2 in a Token-Ring network and Remote Initial Program Load of DOS and OS/2 in an Ethernet network.

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MARLBORO, MA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Stratus Computer Inc. Tuesday announced a $3.5 million contract with Sistemas Technicos de Lotterias del Estado S.A. (STL) of Madrid, Spain to provide five Stratus XA 2000 Continuous Processing Systems for a full automated nationwide lottery system.

The national Spanish lottery is one of the largest in the world, with annual revenues of over $6 billion.

The fault tolerant Stratus computers will act as communications processors for the newly-automated lottery system, which is expected to go fully online in 1992. The computer's fault tolerance ensures 24-hour-a-day, continuous operations. Initially, 5,600 lottery terminals, representing 80 percent of the nationwide lottery business, will be connected to the system. This will create the largest public data communications network in Spain, and one of the largest in Europe.

The system will process three kinds of betting: a weekly game in which players select six numbers out of 49; a similar number game played four times a week; and seasonal betting on soccer matches. STL calculates that with each terminal accepting a bet every 15 seconds, the Stratus systems will process a maximum of 400 transactions per second.

Stratus XA2000 Systems allow customers to expand the processing capability of their computers as their business grows. Stratus systems can easily be upgraded to more powerful models simply by adding additional processor boards, without interrupting their applications or performance.

STL was founded in 1988 as a partnership between ONLAE, the national organization for lotteries and betting, and Telefonica, Spain's largest telecommunications company. STL was formed to evaluate and manage a new computerized system to run the national lottery system in Spain.

Stratus Computer Inc., is a leading supplier of fault-tolerant systems for critical online applications, such as online transactions processing and online data communications and telecommunications applications.

The company offers the broadcast range of fault-tolerant systems and maintains the highest standard for computer reliability. One of the fastest-growing companies in the industry, Stratus reported revenues of $341.3 million for fiscal year 1989, up 29 percent from $265.3 million in 1988.

The company, whose headquarters are in Marlboro, Mass., U.S.A., has 11 international subsidiaries. Stratus Computer Inc. common stock is traded via the New York Stock Exchange under the trading symbol SRA.

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Justin Industries Inc., announced today that its Board of Directors has unanimously reaffirmed its decision not to sell the company and has rejected the Sutherland/Rosenstein group's tender offer as not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders.

The board also unanimously recommended that shareholders reject the offer and not tender their shares.

Justin's board also authorized the filing last Friday of an amended complaint in Justin's lawsuit against the Sutherland/Rosenstein group in federal district court in Fort Worth. The amended complaint alleges that the Sutherland/Rosenstein tender offer is false and misleading because it does not adequately disclose the contingent nature of the offer's financing or the Group's plans for the company after the tender offer.

The suit further alleges that the Sutherland/Rosenstein group is making their tender offer largely to influence the company's shareholders in a proxy contest in violation of the federal proxy rules.

In addition, the Justin board has amended the company's Shareholder Rights Plan to postpone the date on which the Rights begin to trade separately from the company's common stock until such date as may be designated in the future by the Board.

Justin Industries (NASDAQ National Market System symbol "JSTN") includes Justin Boot Company and Nocona Boot Company--makers of famed Justin(R) and

Nocona(R) footwear and now the Tony Lama(R) brand; Acme Brick Company--the top domestically owned United States manufacturer of face brick; Ceramic Cooling Tower Company-- designer/builder of cooling systems for utility and commercial users, manufacturers of Permalite(R), Ultralite(R), and Unilite(R) cooling towers plus Tradewinds(R) evaporative air coolers for residential and commercial needs; Featherlite Building Products Corporation--leading Southwest producer of concrete masonry products; and Northland Publishing Company--publisher of fine books focused on the art and history of the American West.

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NILES, IL (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Midwesco Filter Resources, Inc. Tuesday announced it has purchased certain assets and the business of United Fabricants, Inc. of Agawam, Mass.

Purchase was for an undisclosed amount of cash. United Fabricants manufactures fabric filter bags as does Midwesco Filter Resources.

MFRI has locations in Niles, Illinois and Winchester, Virginia, and annualized revenues of $23 million before the United Fabricants acquisition.

MFRI is a vertically integrated manufacturer and marketer of filter bags, including its proprietary Seamless TubeTM filter bag, as well as related parts accessories and services. The company's products and services are used primarily by operators of utility and industrial coal-fired boilers, incinerators and cogeneration plants and by producers of metals, cement, chemical and other industrial products.

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ANAHEIM, CA. (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of Anaheim reported nine-month earnings of $429,986, or $1.18 per share.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $68,097,683, an increase of 16 percent. Deposits were $63,432,663, an increase of 16.5 percent.

The board of directors announced a 6-cents-per-share cash dividend to shareholders of record on Oct. 12, 1990, payable on Oct. 29, 1990. This is the seventh consecutive quarterly cash dividend.

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KENNER, LA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Sizeler Property Investors Inc. (NYSE:SIZ) announced Tuesday that it has consummated the sale of two properties to Dillard Department Stores Inc. (NYSE:DDS).

Both properties are department stores which were previously leased to Dillard at the company's Hammond Square Shopping Center in Hammond, La., and in the Cordova Mall in Pensacola, Fla. The company realized approximately $11 million in proceeds from the sale, $8 million of which will be utilized to retire a mortgage indebtedness associated with one of the properties. The balance of $3 million in cash proceeds will be utilized for general corporate purposes.

Sizeler Property Investors Inc. is an equity real estate investment trust engaged in acquiring and holding real estate interests, principally shopping centers, for investment. The company is based in Kenner, a suburb of New Orleans.

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Chris H. Horgen, chief executive officer of Nichols Research Corp. (NASDAQ:NRES) Tuesday released the operating results for fiscal year 1990.

Revenue from contracts amounted to $74,872,125 and $22,559,545 for the year and quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, as compared to $53,891,491 and $16,400,715 for the year and quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989.

This represents increases in revenues from contracts of 39 percent for the year and 38 percent for the quarter.

Net income was $3,777,471 and $1,156,681 for the year and quarter ended Aug.

31, 1990, as compared to $2,829,390 and $811,617 for the year and quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989, for increases in net income of 34 percent for the year and 43 percent for the quarter.

Earnings per common share amounted to $1.05 and 32 cents for the year and quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, as compared to 82 cents and 23 cents for the year and quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989, for increases in earnings per common share of 28 percent for the year and 39 percent for the quarter.

The company's backlog was $268,967,339, including options of $80,874,393 at Aug. 31, 1990, as compared to $198,629,234, including options of $65,721,859 at Aug. 31, 1989. New contract awards amounted to $144,469,968 for the year ended Aug. 31, 1990, as compared to $129,276,204 for the year ended Aug. 31, 1989.

Nichols Research Corp. is a Huntsville-based company which provides advance technical services for military systems through comtracts and subcontracts with agencies of the Department of Defense and NASA.

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KINGSTON, N.Y. (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - National Micronetics Inc. (NASDAQ:NMIC) announces that it has completed preliminary negotiations with Newmax Co. Ltd., a Korean corporation, looking toward an equity investment by that company in NMI with a series of three collateralized bridge loans of $500,000 each to precede that investment.

An affiliate of Newmax has advanced the company $500,000, the first of the scheduled bridge loans.

Documents executed upon the first cash advance by an affiliate of Newmax contemplates a sale to Newmax of 10,500,000 shares of NMI common stock at 40 cents per share, comprising 51 percent of the then outstanding shares.

Robert C. Ristagno, president and chief executive officer of NMI, notes that the outcome of the discussions is contingent upon further investigation by Newmax, finalization of the terms of the proposed investment, foreign government agency approvals of the transactions, the cooperation of the secured bank lenders of NMI, the results of operations of NMI pending the consummation of the transactions and the approval of the board of directors of Newmax.

The proposed transaction has received the approval of the board of directors

of NMI.

As earlier disclosed, the primary bank lender of NMI has temporarily waived the failure by NMI to comply with certain covenants in the loan agreements between NMI and the bank, has agreed to defer until Oct. 17 payment of $275,000, which became due on Sept. 11, and has expressed a willingness to defer certain future payments of prinicpal and interest during the period of negotiation with Newmax.

National Micronetics Inc. is a major independent magnetic recording head manufacturer for the disk drive industry.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Results of consolidated operations of Lance Inc. (OTC: LNCE) for the first 36 weeks of 1990 show the following as compared with the like period of 1989 (in thousands except per share data):

Lance Inc.
Consolidated Operations
(Subject to year-end audit)

	12 Weeks		36 Weeks	
	9/08/90	9/09/89	9/08/90	9/09/89
Net Sales and other operating revenue	$ 101,689	$ 100,490	$ 311,425	$ 300,569
Income before income taxes	16,439	17,513	51,197	47,980
Net income	$ 10,402	$ 11,159	$ 32,638	$ 30,628
Net income per share	33 cents	35 cents	$ 1.04	97 cents
Common shares outstanding at end of period	$31,280,758	$31,637,063	$31,280,758	$31,637,063

Sales were up 1.2 percent for the quarter ($1.2 million) and 3.6 percent year to date ($10.9 million) compared with 1989 due primarily to the price increase instituted at Lance in the summer of 1989 and sales price increase at Midwest Biscuit Co.

Certain raw material costs, especially potatoes and oils, have decreased since the comparable periods of 1989 and selling and delivery expenses have increased.

The board of directors Lance Inc. Tuesday declared a regular quarterly cash

dividend of 21 cents per share on the outstanding shares of the $.83-1/3 par value common stock of the corporation. The dividends are payable on Nov. 15, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 1, 1990.

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AMBLER, PA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Interspec, Inc. (NASDAQ:ISPC) reported Tuesday increased revenues for the third quarter and first nine months ended August 31, and its return to profitability during the period ended August 31, 1990.

For the quarter ended August 31, sales increased 38 percent to $17,379,000, compared to the $12,617,000 reported for the comparable prior year period. Net income for the three months ended August 31, 1990, was $204,000 or $.03 per share, compared to a loss before extraordinary item of $2,459,000 or $.40 per share for the comparable prior year quarter.

For the nine months ended August 31, 1990 sales increased 16 percent to $47,975,000, compared to the $41,480,000 reported for the comparable period in fiscal 1989. The net loss for the nine months ended August 31, 1990, was 1,497,000 or $.25 per share, compared to a loss before an extraordinary item of $2,807,000 or $.46 per share for the comparable nine month period of fiscal 1989.

The Company attributed the improved results, and return to profitability during the quarter, to increased sales of the higher- priced Apogee and CFM 750, the Company's two new medical diagnostic ultrasound systems which replaced the older XL and CFM 700 product lines.

''We are especially pleased with the continued increase in international sales for the Apogee and CFM 750, as well as with the further progress in reducing our inventory of older, lower margin products,'' said Edward Ray, Chairman and President.

Mr. Ray went on to state, ''All three of the Company's divisions, Interspec, Vingmed and Echo Ultrasound, performed according to plan, and contributed to the improved results.''

Interspec is a leading manufacturer of diagnostic ultrasound systems for medical applications.

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BLUE BELL, PA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Castle Energy Corp. (NASDAQ:CECX) and Tipperary Corp. (NASDAQ:TIPR) jointly announced Tuesday that they had acquired an undivided one-half interest in the Deerlick Creek Coalbed Methane Field, Tuscaloosa County, Ala.

The parties acquired rights to approximately 3,000 acres on which there are 26 wells previously owned by TRW Inc. The wells currently produce approximately 2 million cubic feet of natural gas per day.

Castle is an independent energy company headquartered in Blue Bell, Pa., with exploration and production offices in Pittsburgh and Tulsa, Okla., and a 55,000-barrel-per-day refinery in Lawrenceville, Ill.

Tipperary is an independent energy company headquartered in Denver. The company's principal areas of activity are in the Powder River Basin, The Permian Basin and the Austin Chalk Trend in South Texas.

TRW provides advanced technology products and services for the automotive, space, defense and information markets.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - East Ohio Gas Co. customers could see a 1.2 percent decrease in natural gas costs for the next three months, if the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) approves the company's quarterly gas cost reovery (GCR) filing made Tuesday in Columbus.

The company requests PUCO approval of a proposed decrease of 6 cents per thousand cubic feet (mcf) in the gas cost portion of the company's rates, effective Nov. 8. If approved, it would be the fifth consecutive quarterly GCR decrease.

A typical residential customer could expect to see an average decrease of $1.21 per month during November, December and January.

The GCR is the average price The East Ohio Gas Co. pays its suppliers. The company does not earn any profit on the GCR component, said Patrick A. Carney, vice president of public affairs.

The GCR decline is ''good news for our customers, particularly as we head into the winter heating season,'' Carney said.

Although the current Middle East situation has generated volatility and rising prices in the oil market, it has had a minimal effect on the company's natural gas prices thus far, Carney said.

Nearly 85 percent of the natural gas used in the U.S. is produced domestically the remaining is imported from Canada. As a result, the company expects to provide customers with adequate natural gas supplies for winter heating.

If the PUCO approves the GCR decrease, East Ohio Gas customers would continue to pay among the lowest rates in the nation. The company's rates rank fourth lowest on the list of the 25 largest U.S. cities. Rates continue to remain lower than the winter of 1989.

If approved, the new GCR costs would remain in effect through Feb. 11, 1991.

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PURCHASE, NY (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - International Paper Tuesday reported preliminary 1990 third-quarter net earnings of $181 million, or $1.66 per common share, on sales of $3.3 billion.

These results reflect a 13 percent decline in earnings per share when compared with last year's $1.91 per common share. Third-quarter net profits in 1989 were $215 million on sales of $2.9 billion.

For the first nine months of 1990, earnings per share were $5.01, down 15 percent from the $5.91 reported for the same period last year. Third-quarter 1990 earnings per share are comparable with the $1.65 and $1.70 per share earned during the first and second quarters of this year.

''The relative strength of our earnings this year, amidst a difficult operating climate, is directly attributable to the success of our internal improvement and acquisition programs,'' said John A. Georges, chairman and chief executive officer.

Georges said much of the company's good third-quarter performance was due to contributions from its uncoated printing and writing papers business. ''During 1990, we have benefited from debottlenecking projects at our mills in Mobile, Ala., Georgetown, S.C., and Ticonderoga, N.Y. These incremental capacity additions and other investments in our uncoated papers mills

positioned us to take full advantage of market demand that has outpaced industry supplies for much of the year.''

Georges said that earnings from consumer packaging sales remained level with second-quarter totals. ''This business's increasing production of value added products enabled it to maintain good, consistent performance.''

Third quarter 1990 earnings from wood products and timber business sales were substantially lower than earnings during 1989's third quarter. Continued weakness in the new home construction and repair and remodeling markets has reduced demand for these products.

Georges noted that the company's European businesses performed well during the third quarter considering seasonal factors that routinely cause a decline in business activity during the period.

''Aussedat Rey's enhanced performance is due to improvement of operating conditions in a majority of its mills, including higher productivity, an improved product mix and lower costs related to reduced pulp process,'' Georges said.

He added that Europe's economic growth, combined with favorable exchange rates has helped keep International Paper's U.S. exports of pulp, linerboard and bleached board at high levels.

International Paper, headquartered in Purchase, is a worldwide producer of a wide variety of paper and forest products.

The company is a major producer of printing and writing papers, paperboard and packaging products, and wood products. The company also operates specialty products businesses and distributes paper and wood products. International Paper has manufacturing operations in 22 countries and exports its products to more than 100 nations.

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SYDNEY, Australia (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Westpac Banking Corp. (NYSE:WBK) Tuesday announced that the Bill Acceptance Corp. Ltd. is to be absorbed into the Bank, effective from Oct. 1.

Westpac's Managing Director Stuart Fowler said that in the current deregulated market, it is no longer appropriate to operate a separate merchant bank.

''The move will complete the integration with the Bank of all Westpac Group merchant banking operations in Australia and New Zealand.''

Bill Acceptance Corp. (BAC) has assets of A$1.2 billion and shareholders' funds of A$56 million.

''We attempted to sell BAC on several occasions but in this deregulated market there have been no buyers,'' Fowler said.

Fowler said that BAC has had a long and successful history in Australian merchant banking and continues to be profitable. Since 1977 BAC has been a wholly owned subsidiary of Australian Guarantee Corp. Ltd., which in turn is wholly owned by Westpac.

Westpac Banking Corp. is an international financial services group headquartered in Australia with operations extending offshore to 29 countries. In its home markets of Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, and the South West Pacific, Westpac offers a full range of banking and financial services. Specialized services are provided through the Westpac offices in Asia, Europe, and the United States.

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BOSTON (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Tuesday said it will reduce by more than $18 million the prices its Massachusetts customers pay for a wide range of in-state long distance communications services.

The company asked that the changes, subject to approval by the state Department of Public Utilities, become effective on Friday, October 19. The move will reduce AT&T residential and business long-distance service rates an average of 26 percent for Massachusetts customers.

''This action is another in our continuing efforts to pass savings on to AT&T customers in Massachusetts and throughout the country,'' said Marc Rosen, AT&T government affairs vice president. ''Recent reductions in our costs of connecting to customers through the local telephone company -- as well as improvements and increased efficiencies in our network -- have made this price cut possible.''

Specifically, AT&T said it will significantly reduce all initial-minute charges and most additional-minute charges for all residential long-distance

calls within Massachusetts.

For example, under the new rates a 10-minute call from Boston to Springfield placed at 11 a.m. would cost $2.20. The same call today would cost $3.37. A similar call between Boston and Springfield at 9 p.m. would cost $1.71 compared to $2.26 today.

AT&T also will reduce in-state, operator-assisted calling rates by 21 percent, and will cut the initial hourly rate for the AT&T REACH OUT Massachusetts optional calling plan from $11 to $9, and reduce the additional-minute rates for the plan.

For business customers, AT&T's proposed price cuts will:

-- reduce all initial-minute and most additional-minute charges for the AT&T PRO(sm) WATS Massachusetts, a small business optional calling plan;

-- reduce all initial- and additional-period rates for AT&T MEGAVOM(r) WATS Service and AT&T One Line WATS Service;

-- reduce initial- and additional-period rates for may Massachusetts users of AT&T Software Defined Network Service;

-- reduce the hourly rates for AT&T MEGACOM(r) 800 Service and AT&T 800 READYLINE(r) Service; and

-- reduce all monthly rates for AT&T 800 Service.

The residential and business service price reductions apply only to in-state Massachusetts calls, and do not apply to interstate long-distance calls.

This is the third time in 1990 that AT&T has reduced calling rates for its Bay State customers. In two rate reductions since January, AT&T has lowered its rates by $4 million. Today's action results in a total of $22 million in savings passed on to AT&T customers in Massachusetts this year.

Since 1984, AT&T has reduced its interstate long-distance prices nearly 42 percent.

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FREEHOLD, NJ (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Calton Inc. (NYSE:CN), a New Jersey based housing developer, reported net income of $766,000 ($.02 per share) on revenues of $49,464,000 for the third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, compared to a net loss of $1,660,000 ($.05 per share) on $24,040,000 of revenues for the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings per share are based upon the weighted average shares outstanding of 33,726,000 and 33,730,000 for the third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 and Aug. 31, 1989, respectively.

For the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, the company reported net income of $1,394,000 ($.04 per share) on revenues of $148,552,000 compared to a net loss of $2,389,000 ($.07 per share) on $78,247,000 of revenues for the same nine month period in 1989.

Earnings (loss) per share are based upon the weighted average shares outstanding of 33,665,000 and 33,753,000 for the respective periods.

The company delivered 340 and 913 housing units in the three and nine month periods ended Aug. 31, 1990, respectively, compared to 193 and 624 units in the comparable periods of 1989.

Revenues for 1990 include $22.3 million for the sale of land for the nine month period ended Aug. 31, 1990. There were no land sales in the third quarter of 1990 or in the three or nine months ended Aug. 31, 1989.

Equity in operations of Talcon L.P. and joint ventures resulted in a loss of $425,000 and $955,000 for the three and nine month periods ended Aug. 31, 1990 respectively, compared to income of $565,000 and $3,393,000 for the comparable period of the prior year.

Sales backlog at Aug. 31, 1990 was approximately $68.2 million representing 437 units compared to $65 million representing 454 units at Aug. 31, 1989.

The backlog in both years includes contracts containing financing and other contingencies customary in the industry, including, in certain instances, contracts that are contingent on the purchasers selling their existing homes. Due to changes in product offerings and the uncertainty of future market conditions, the sales backlog, housing units delivered and average selling prices achieved in the current and prior periods may not be indicative of those to be realized in succeeding periods.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - RAD Network Devices Inc. (RND) Tuesday announced OpenRIM, an advanced Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP)-based remote internetwork management station.

As demonstrated at INTEROP Tuesday, this new station provides complete network management of any SNMP network element from a single user workstation.

OpenRIM can be easily configured to monitor, diagnose and retrieve information about RND Ethernet and token ring bridge/routers and other SNMP compatible network devices.

Using the three basic SNMP commands, GET, SET, and EVENT to communicate, RND's OpenRIM can query agents (managed devices) regarding their status, assign them tasks and monitor their response. For example, GET RESPONSE allows OpenRIM to retrieve Management Information Base Information (MIB).

In addition, RND's new network management station supports proxy agents, allowing users to manage devices not conforming to SNMP specifications.

OpenRIM monitors both Ethernet and token ring network status and performance, and provides real time statistics and alarms. Network managers can pre-configure and change device variables and troubleshooting mechanisms to monitor specific network elements at any time.

With OpenRIM's OSF/Motif and X-Windows-based graphical user interface, the network manager can easily select configuration options and quickly access pertinent internetwork data.

Integrated with LANNET's Multinet hub management station, network managers can now monitor and control layers 1,2, and 3 from a single source.

OpenRIM operates on a SUN-4 workstation or an Intel 80386 microprocessor based PC with the UNIX operating system. Prices for OpenRIM software start at $2650. First customer shipments are planned in December 1990.

RND is the technological leader in internetworking products for the local and wide area networking markets. Founded in 1987, the company introduced the industry's first combination bridge/router to provide enterprise-wide networking solutions for the global market.

RND's family of bridge/router products allows users to interconnect local and remote LANs into a single, integrated network for a wide range of applications and vertical market sectors. RND is a member of the RAD Group of companies.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Network Systems has introduced a programming interface for the terminal adapter the company sells to link personal computers to ISDN networks.

AT $499.95, the AT&T Personal Computer Terminal Adapter (PCTA) Model 1000 is the lowest cost ISDN terminal adapter in the industry. It turns most personal computers into fully functional ISDN terminals.

The new applications programming interface (API) is important because it allows people to write their own software for use with the PCTA Model 1000. This will make the development of new ISDN applications easier and spur the growth of ISDN networks. The API is produced by EXCELLTECH Inc. of Yankton, S.D.

AT&T will also sell EXCELLTECH's ExcellNET and NETBIOS software, which allow file transfers and printer sharing in ISDN networks. ExcellNET and NETBIOS will be available as an option with the PCTA Model 1000 for an additional $100

These new tools make it easy to create personal computer ISDN applications that use callers' telephone numbers, received as incoming call line identification display (ICLID) information. The software also automatically connects the PC to the ISDN network for file transfers and sending files to a printer.

The new software also supports:

- future applications by third parties;

- point-to-point and passive bus configurations on AT&T's 5ESS Switch;

- data calls over the ISDN ''D'' channel at asychronous rates of up to 19.2 kilobits per second.

AT&T'S PCTA Model 1000 is available now. The ExcellNET software will be distributed through telephone companies, major systems integrators, AT&T salespeople and directly by calling 1-800-432-6600. The software ships in December.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Star Banc Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:STRZ) Tuesday reported third quarter and year-to-date earnings.

The announcement was made by Oliver W. Waddell, chairman, president and chief executive officer of the corporation.

Consolidated net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, rose 26.2 percent to $15,312,000, compared to $12,137,000 for the like period last year. Net income per share was 53 cents compared to 42 cents in 1989, a 25.4 percent increase.

Consolidated net income for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to $49,139,000, compared to $41,665,000 for the first nine months of 1989, a 17.9 percent increase. Net income per share rose 17.2 percent to $1.69 for the first nine months of 1990 compared to $1.44 in 1989.

Consolidated total assets reached $6.10 billion on Sept. 30, compared to $5.70 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. Loans outstanding were $4.51 billion, compared to $4.17 billion last year. Third quarter 1990 deposits totaled $5.00 billion compared to $4.78 billion in 1989. Star Banc Corp. common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System. Star Banc Corp.'s Star Bank subsidiaries operate 159 offices in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana.

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FREEHOLD, NJ (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Talcon L.P. (NASDAQ:TLCNZ), a publicly traded limited partnership engaged in real estate development through its participation in project joint ventures and limited partnerships, primarily operating in California and northern Virginia, reported results of operations for the three and nine month periods ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Talcon reported a net loss of $1,682,800 and $3,142,200 for the three and nine month periods ended Aug. 31, 1990 compared to net income of $932,500 and $3,185,800 in the comparable periods of 1989.

The Partnership recorded a loss from equity in operations of joint ventures in which it participates of $1,987,600 and $2,392,600 for the three and nine month periods ended Aug. 31, 1990, respectively, compared to gains of $1,445,500 and $3,911,000 in the same periods in 1989.

The operating results include the write off of the remaining investments in and advances to a certain Project Joint Venture in the third quarter of 1990 of approximately $3 million. In addition, the 1989 equity in operations of joint ventures included gains on the sale of land of approximately $3.4 million. No such gains were recorded in 1990.

The net loss for the three and nine month periods ended Aug. 31, 1990 was allocable to the Partnership's Class B Limited Partnership Unitholders (29 cents and 54 cents per unit, respectively) after allocation of 1 percent to each of the General Partner and the Class A Limited Partner.

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BELLS, TN (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - United Foods Inc. (ASE:UFD.A, UFD.B) Tuesday announced the results of its operations for the first half of the current fiscal year.

Net profit for the six month period ended Aug. 31, 1990, was $991,000, or 7 cents per share on revenues of $79,172,000. The company had a net profit for the like period last year of $2,147,000, or 16 cents per share, which includes extraordinary income of $764,000, or 6 cents per share, on revenues of $73,719,000.

For the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, the company had a net profit of $258,000, or 2 cents per share on revenues of $36,672,000, compared to a net profit of $1,084,000, or 8 cents per share, which includes extraordinary income of $369,000, or 3 cents per share, on revenues of $35,025,000 for the comparable period last year.

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ROTTERDAM, The Netherlands (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Royal Nedlloyd Group announced Tuesday that the downward trend in its results continued in July and August, reflecting difficult market conditions, the continued fall in the exchange rate of the US dollar and rising fuel costs.

Taking into account very disappointing developments at a number of minority participations and extra costs incurred for reorganization, Nedlloyd now expects to report a negative net Group result for the current year.

In the Ocean Transport sector, the strategic repositioning by Nedlloyd Lines, announced earlier this year, will be implemented at a quicker pace. It entails a split up into container logistic services and the management of ship capacity. In this framework, the composition of the fleet will be adapted. In The Netherlands, it will lead to a decrease of 420 jobs, 150 of which will be in the shore organization and 270 on the fleet. The staff at Nedlloyd's organizations outside The Netherlands will also be reduced.

The reorganization will entail considerable non-recurring expenses which will be charged to the 1990 results.

In the Non-shipping Transport sector, especially in Germany, severe price-cutting contributes to disappointing results being produced. This situation necessitates the introduction of additional restructuring efforts with their additional high costs, coming on top of the ongoing process of integration.

It is expected that the positive effects of the aforementioned actions will become visible in the short-term.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Norbert J. Nowicki Jr. has been appointed director, recruiting and employee relations of Viacom International Inc., it was announced Tuesday by Patricia A. Ross, vice president, personnel and employee relations of the company.

In this capacity, Nowicki's primary responsibilities include recruitment for senior-level technical positions, as well as the development of recruitment resource materials and information.

Nowicki joins Viacom with more than ten years' experience in human resources. Most recently, he was assistant vice president, human resources for Societe Generale, where his responsibilities included senior-level and technical recruiting, as well as human resources information systems design and development.

Previously, Nowicki held management positions in human resources and executive recruitment with Comwell, Citibank, United States Lines and Eastern Executive Associates. In addition, Nowicki worked in the counter-intelligence division

of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Nowick received a B.A. form Niagara University in 1974.

Viacom International Inc. is a diversified entertainment and communications company with headquarters in New York. Viacom Inc., the holding company parent of Viacom International Inc., is an approximately 84 percent owned subsidiary of National Amusements Inc., a closely held corporation which owns and operates approximately 650 movie screens in 14 states and England

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KNOXVILLE, TN (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert Maxwell, chairman of Maxwell Communications Corp. plc (MCC) and Jan Timmer, president of N.V. Philips (Philips) have announced that MCC and Philips have signed a Letter of Intent to establish a Joint Venture multimedia publishing company to produce and sell self-teach language courses for the home, school and office using interactive compact discs (CD-I).

The new company is to be known as Maxwell Multi Media.

MCC's subsidiary, Berlitz Publications Inc., a member of Berlitz International and Philips' language company, Philips Language Learning Systems Group, will produce entirely new language training course materials for Maxwell Multi Media.

A series of self-teach language courses, based on the unique Berlitz Method and Philip's Professional Language Courses will be packaged together with a CD-I player. The series will be available for sale from the end of 1991. The release will coincide with the worldwide launch of consumer CD-I players.

Commenting on the announcment Maxwell said: ''The combination of Berlitz, the world's premier language instruction company with Philips, the inventor of compact disc technology, creates a formidable partnership of software publishing and consumer electronics experience to be based on this new multimedia format -- CD-I.''

Timmer, president of Philips added: ''We regard the joint venture as a key strategic development for Philips Consumer Electronics. Philips believes that CD-I will become the world's leading multimedia standard for the consumer market. It enables television to be used for education and teaching interactively, for the first time.''

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WOODLAND HILLS, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - American Mobile Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:AMSE) announced Tuesday that it recorded a profit in its fiscal year ended June 30 of $1,928,000, after an extraordinary credit of $778,000 from the utilization of tax loss carryforwards.

This is the first time in its eight-year history that the company has reported positive net income. While the profit is attributable to a gain of $10,297,000 from the sale of assets, the company believes that these results demonstrate that the significant marketing expenditures, which accounted for operating losses in prior periods, have actually increased the value of its assets.

Before the gain from the sale of assets, the company incurred a net loss of $8,369,000.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, the company recorded net income of $1,928,000, or 29 cents per share primary and 25 cents per share fully-diluted compared to a net loss of $6,987,000, or $1.13 per share primary and fully-diluted, in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989.

Net sales were $5,640,000 in fiscal year 1990 ($3,931,000 from airtime and $1,709,000 from equipment), vs. $6,112,000 in fiscal year 1989 ($4,074,000 from airtime and $2,038,000 from equipment).

The company also announced that its registration statement relating to the sale of 15,759,888 shares of its common stock, par value 1 cent per share, was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on Thursday, Oct. 4.

This registration relates to the sale of 8,882,911 shares by various holders, including several affiliates of the company, who acquired their shares in private transactions; 3,886,520 shares issuable by the company upon the exercise or conversion of outstanding options, warrants and convertible debt securities; and 1,925,000 shares available for future acquisitions.

The company will utilize any proceeds it receives from the exercise of outstanding options and warrants and from the sale of the treasury shares for repayment of indebtedness and general working capital.

The company also announced that its Vice Chairman, Richard G. Somers, has completed the purchase of 500,000 shares of the company's treasury stock for

$1,062,500 in cash.

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PURCHASE, NY (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - IP Forest Resources Co. (IPFR), managing general partner of IP Timberlands Ltd., (IPT) Tuesday reported third-quarter 1990 earnings of $28 million on total revenues of $50 million.

Earnings per Class A Depositary Unit were 81 cents. These results compare with 1989 third-quarter earnings of $42 million on total revenues of $77 million and earnings per Class A Depositary Unit of 94 cents.

For the first nine months of 1990, IPT's earnings were $82 million on total revenues of $147 million, with earnings per Class A Unit of $2.28. These compared with 1989 nine-month earnings of $91 million on total revenues of $166 million and earnings per Class A Unit of $2.32.

Earnings for both the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 are down when compared with the same periods a year ago because 1989 earnings included approximately $15 million from a single land sale.

IPT declared a third quarter partnership distribution to Class A unitholders of 72 cents per unit payable Nov. 14, 1990 to unitholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990.

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OCALA, FL (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Action Products International Inc. is a major manufacturer and importer of space, aviation, military dinosaur, animal and aquarium gift items specializing in the museum and corporate specialty market; also the manufacturer of All Natural Astronaut Ice Cream and other Astronaut foods.

The company has produced a pro-American T-shirt to honor the American troops stationed in Saudi Arabia. Bob Zumbahlen, the design creator, said that profits from the sale of those shirts was used to purchase the All Natural Astronaut Ice Cream which the company donated.

Mike McSwain, sales manager for Carolina Freight said that the national trucking company is taking the ice cream to the port of embarkation in the Northeast at no cost.

''All Natural Astronaut Ice Cream is the only way that American soldiers will be able to get fresh tasting ice cream in 120 degree heat. Our product is 100 percent American,'' Zumbahlen said.

''The more shirts we sell, the more ice cream we will ship. We received shirt orders from such firms as Pratt & Whittney, Boeing, Vought, 8th Air Force Museum, Grumman Aircraft, NASA, and many surplus stores.''

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM and Maximum Strategy Corp. of San Jose, California Tuesday announced a joint program aimed at developing High-Performance Parallel Interface (HiPPI) - attached disk arrays for use in engineering and scientific computing applications.

Disk arrays are collections of disk drives that work together with an intelligent controller as a high-performance storage device.

The HiPPI standard, recently developed by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), allows bulk data to be transferred between a computer's central processors and their input/output devices, such as displays and storage devices, at rates much faster than previously possible.

The HiPPI disk array storage systems can significantly increase the productivity of computers running numerically intensive applications, such as those used by engineers and scientists. This type of I/O attachment, however, does not increase the performance of general-purpose transaction processing applications.

The objective of IBM and Maximum Strategy is to increase the performance of existing scientific and technical applications and to make new ones possible by developing disk array storage systems for the HiPPI environment.

The research will concentrate on combining the industry-leading high-performance disk technology of IBM, the HiPPI attachment, and the

advanced data storage controller architecture of Maximum Strategy. The HiPPI attachment already is available on IBM ES/3090(a) and water-cooled ES/9000(a) processors.

This joint effort continues previous work in which IBM and Maximum Strategy wrote a document that describes the use of the Intelligent Peripheral Interface Device Generic Command Set (IPI-3) as a device control protocol for use on the HiPPI channel. IPI-3 is a command set commonly used with numerically intensive applications. The document describing this protocol has been accepted as an internal working document by the appropriate ANSI sub-committee. (a) ES/3090 and ES/9000 are trademarks of IBM Corporation.

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ELMSFORD, NY (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - THE COMPUTER FACTORY INC. (NYSE:CFA), Tuesday announced that its board of directors had authorized Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., its investment bankers, to review all available alternatives to maximize shareholder value.

Such alternatives include, among others, THE COMPUTER FACTORY's recapitalization, solicitation of offers by third persons to acquire THE COMPUTER FACTORY, and possible infusions of additional capital.

The board further authorized Dean Witter to provide confidential information to The Bay Street Group Inc., which had previously publicly expressed its desire to acquire THE COMPUTER FACTORY at a price of $4.00 per share, and to other interested parties provided that any such persons enter into appropriate confidentiality agreements with THE COMPUTER FACTORY.

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TORONTO (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Michael J. Perik, chairman, announced Tuesday Softkey Software Products Inc. (NASDAQ:SKEFY) financial results for the third-quarter, expressed in Canadian Dollars. The results consisted of revenues of $2,854,292 compared to 1989 third quarter sales of $2,702,013. Third-quarter earnings were $986,137, or 9 cents per share, up 98 percent compared to 1989 results of $498,238, or 5 cents per share.

Results for the nine-months ending August 31st were reported revenues of $9,922,282, and after-tax earnings of $2,897,369, or 29 cents per share. This compares to revenues of $7,100,135 and earnings of $860,766, or 9 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

Perik stated that 1990 earnings increased much more rapidly than sales because ''SoftKey changed the mix of its business during the past year. The growth of the Private Label Division has dramatically improved our margins. In addition we have stopped selling certain products like KeyStyle that included hardware sales which tend to inflate the revenue-line while doing little for the bottom-line.''

Kevin O'Leary, president of SoftKey's Private Label Division noted that his business unit has enjoyed substantial growth with sales up 100 percent. However, he reminded investors that third-quarter results include only nominal revenues from new distribution contracts with Global Computer Supplies, Fingerhut, Select and Editor's Choice. ''We are doing marketing tests this fall with these companies. We will see the results of these tests in our fourth-quarter sales with full-effect being felt in the first and second quarters of 1991.''

Gary Huggins, president of SoftKeys's Insight Division noted that he was very pleased with the division's 50 percent internal growth during the past year. ''Despite tighter economic conditions, our company has been able to continue to expand the consulting services we provide to our 'blue-chip' client list throughout Canada.''

SoftKey Software Products Inc. is one of America's leading publisher of software products. SoftKey also trades on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the assigned symbol: SSK.

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SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The chairman of Westpac Banking Corp. (NYSE:WBK) Sir Eric Neal AC Tuesday announced that David Graupner would be the new chief of Westpac's stockbroking subsidiary, the Ord Minnett Group.

Graupner will take over on March 31 next year on the retirement of Gilles Kryger, the executive chairman of Ord Minnett Group Ltd. and chairman and chief executive of Ord Minnett Securities Ltd.

Sir Eric said that Graupner, 44, now a director and head of institutional equities, had been involved in all key areas of Ord Minnett since joining the firm in 1967.

''David Graupner started on the stock exchange floor and progressed through all of Ord's domestic and overseas activities,'' Sir Eric said. ''He set up the New York operation and created a well-respected and profitable representative office there. Since returning to Australia he has been responsible for the coordination of strategic planning initiatives.

''His broad equities experience and management role mean that he is well-qualified to ensure the continued prominence and profitability of Ords despite the current market down-turn,'' Sir Eric said.

As part of the changes, the managing director and chief executive officer of Westpac Stuart Fowler will become chairman of the holding company, Westpac Ord Pty. Ltd. Christopher Hutchinson will become managing director of Ord Minnett Securities Ltd.

Kryger is a member of the Order of Australia and holds a number of directorships, including Prudential Corporation Australia Ltd. and TNT Ltd., and chairmanship of Mercantile and General Reinsurance Group.

Westpac Banking Corp. is an international financial services group headquartered in Australia, with operations extending offshore to 29 countries. In its home markets of Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and the South West Pacific, Westpac offers a full range of banking and financial services. Specialized services are provided through Westpac offices in Asia, Europe and the United States.

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MISSION VIEJO, CA (OCT. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas V. Tilton, president of AMDL INCORPORATED, announced Tuesday the signing of a definitive agreement with Bio-Tech Marketing Group Inc., relating to the worldwide distribution of AMDL cancer detection products.

This agreement is for human use in those countries not presently under option to Bio-Tech or other firms. The agreement specifically excludes the United States, its territories and possessions.

Terms of the agreement call for the payment of $500,000 (U.S.) to AMDL by January 4, 1991, of which AMDL has received $100,000 (U.S.) upon signing of

the agreement. An additional $250,000 (U.S.) to be paid by November 21, 1990, and $150,000 (U.S.) paid by January 4, 1991. In addition, terms of the agreement call for an advanced payment of $7,500,000 to AMDL within six months from AMDL's demonstrated ability to complete specific tests with its cancer detection system.

With the signing of this agreement, AMDL INC. has agreements in place calling for the payment to the company of $15.5 million (U.S.) within the six months time frame mentioned above.

AMDL INC. is a research based company developing technology for monitoring and early detection of cancer. The company has patents pending on its cancer detection system Internationally and in the U.S.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:45 that trade in Ehrlich Bober Financial Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol EB.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Ehrlich Bober Financial Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol EB. Trading was resumed at 11:01.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:00 that trade in Stoneridge Resources Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol SRE.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:01 that trade in Orange-Co. Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol OJ.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:17 that trade in UAL Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol UAL.

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#90282c0008 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Stoneridge Resources Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol SRE. Trading was resumed at 12:44.

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#90282c0009 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Orange-Co Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol OJ. Trading was resumed at 12:53.

-30- 338
#90282c0010 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 17

ANNOUNCEMENT:

NII (TICKER:NII) announced that it intends to call off its tender offer if the amendment to Permian's (TICKER: PPA) partnership agreement that is a condition to the offer is not adopted by Nov. 6, 1990 (the date on which the NYSE has required that all consents of the limited partners to the adoption of the amendment will expire). NII also announced that, to encourage brokers to help meet the deadline, it will pay $.05 per unit for each valid consent to the amendment, provided that the amendment is adopted. On Oct. 5, 1990, the order of the Delaware court approving the settlement of certain litigation relating to the tender offer became a final unappealable judicial order. NII has extended its offer until Oct. 22, 1990.

-30- 970
#90282c0011 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY M.L. CAIN TRUST OWNS 860,500 SHARES (9.90%) OF COMPUTER FACTORY INC (TICKER: CFA) OF ELMSFORD, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 3, 1990, the Bay Street Group and James R Salim met with representatives of Computer Factory Inc.'s financial advisors, Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. to discuss the proposal made in the Sept. 7 letter. Dean Witter indicated that the company would provide confidential information in exchange for a confidentiality agreement. The company has not yet provided the information and M.L. Cain Trust have not executed the confidentiality agreement. M.L. Cain Trust have had discussions with various sources of potential financing for an acquisition and contacted parties who might be interested in purchasing certain of Computer Factory Inc.'s assets following such an acquisition.

PURPOSE:

Possible acquisition.

-30- 1071
#90282c0013 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

TAIHAN ELECTRIC WIRE CO LTD OWNS 250,000 SHARES (10.00%) OF VERSUS TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: VSTI) OF TRENTON, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the Feb. 15, 1990 stock purchase agreement, Taihan Electric Wire Co. LTD purchased 250,000 shares from Versus Technology Inc. for $3 per share.

-30- 503
#90282c0014 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:01 that trade in Colorocs Corp.(NASDAQ: CLRX) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 1/2.

-30- 290
#90282c0015 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in UAL Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol UAL. Trading was resumed at 13:48.

-30- 327
#90282c0016 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:39 that trade in Colorocs Corp. (NASDAQ: CLRX) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/2; unchanged from the halt, and down 1/8 point from the previous close.

-30- 351
#90282c0017 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) COMTEX - Congress expressed "amazement" today that a military investigation of Northrop Corporation's management performance on major Air Force programs avoided any criminal probe of the Los Angeles-based defense contractor.

At a hearing before the House subcommittee on oversight and investigations, Rep. Ron Wyden (D-Ore.) said Northrop is currently the target of federal criminal grand jury investigations and asserted the Pentagon has at least eleven ongoing criminal investigations at five divisions of Northrop.

Last Feb. 27, Northrop pleaded guilty to 34 counts of falsely certifying tests on the Harrier jet and Air Force cruise missile, and paid a $17 million fine.

Brigadier General Robert Drewes told the panel the Air Force found problems in six areas: systems engineering, transition to production, software management, subcontractor management, organization/personnel and business systems. Drewes added Northrop had initiated corrective actions in recent months "in many areas of concern to the Air Force."

"I'm amazed you can come in and say you can understand the corporate culture when you didn't even look at the criminal side," Wyden said.

"We did not pursue any of the ongoing criminal investigations," Drewes responded. "My study was not to be all-comprehensive. We did not look at those areas."

"Northrop has pleaded guilty to 34 counts of falsifying material on cruise missiles and paid $17 million in fines," said Kansas Democrat Jim Slattery. "That should raise your antenna. This is amazing to me. Do you (Air Force) operate in a vacuum?"

"I think someone in the Air Force has set you up," added Rep. Christopher Shays (R-Conn.). "The person that gave you the orders not to look on the criminal side. It strikes me this committee has the right to get some answers."

Drewes concluded that part of Northrop's problems stemmed from its rapid growth in the 1980s, when it received over $35 billion in Pentagon contracts.

"What struck me in the course of the review, is the time in rapid growth all beginning at the same point," Drewes said. "In the turbulence of that rapid growth, discipline they might have had was diluted."

Although the Air Force found there were problems in all the programs it looked into at Northrop, Drewes characterized the work presently coming out of the military contractor as "generally acceptable."

"You can't name a single program that is not up to the standards of the Air Force or taxpayers," Wyden said. "Isn't that a disgrace? I believe it is a mockery of the procurement system to keep handing Northrop contracts in the face of these problems."

"We do expect problems when your pushing the frontiers of technology," Drewes answered.

Northrop is currently building the B-2 Stealth bomber and is competing with Lockheed Corp. for the most expensive Pentagon contract of the 1990s, the Air Force's Advanced Tactical Fighter.

-30- 3175
#90282c0018 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

MAGMA COPPER INC OF SAN MANUEL, AZ OWNS 1,671,180 SHARES (5.80%) OF ALTA GOLD CO (TICKER: ALTA) OF SALT LAKE CITY, UT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Magma Copper Inc. purchased 455,374 shares pursuant to a purchase agreement on Aug. 27 and 1,215,806 shares pursuant to a Sept. 26, 1990 agreement for $3.30 per share. Alta and Magma entered into a letter of intent dated Aug. 13, 1990 and amended Sept. 26, 1990 which contemplates a series of transactions pursuant to which Magma would acquire certain interests in gold mining operations conducted by Alta and the right to participate with Alta in the exercise of a joint option to purchase certain real property.

PURPOSE:

To invest in Alta Gold Co. in conjunction with proposed transactions.

-30- 940
#90282c0019 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATES OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 291,700 SHARES (4.90%) OF BELVEDERE CORP (TICKER: BLV) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Cumberland Associates sold 85,500 shares on Oct. 4, 1990 for $2.13 per share.

-30- 424
#90282c0021 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Phoenix American Inc.(TICKER: PHXA) announced on Oct. 1, 1990 that it has executed a definitive merger agreement with Phoenix Affiliates International Inc., a new company formed by Gus Constantin, the CEO, chairman and president of PAI. The offer commenced on Oct. 8 and is for $5 per share in cash subject to a minimum of 799,679 shares being tendered. The offer is set to expire on Nov. 9, 1990.

-30- 639
#90282c0023 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY PHILADELPHIA INVESTMENT CORP DELAWARE OWNS 584,981 SHARES (8.90%) OF ATWOOD OCEANICS INC (TICKER: ATWD) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

PICD purchased the shares for $10 million pursuant to a closing agreement dated Sept. 26, 1990 as part of a group of transactions to provide for the ongoing operation, funding, and management of certain limited partnerships in

which affiliates of Philadelphia Investment Corp. of Delaware and Atwood Oceanics Inc. own interests. Atwood Oceanics Inc. has agreed to sell a number of shares to PICD for $17.25 per share. The number of shares is to be based upon the level of capital expenses incurred by Atwood Oceanics Inc. relating limited partnerships of which affiliates of PICD are limited partners and of which affiliates of Atwood Oceanics Inc. are the general partners and limited partners. PICD has nominated Robert W. Burgess, an officer of CIGNA, to the board of Atwood Oceanics Inc. pursuant to its rights under the closing agreement. PICD also entered into a shareholders' agreement on Sept. 26 with Helmerich and Payne Inc. and Helmerich and Payne International Drilling Co., pursuant to which HPI and HPID agreed to vote their shares, representing 27.9 percent, in favor of the PICD nominee.

PURPOSE:

To provide Atwood Oceanics Inc. with cash to be used in meeting its obligations.

-30- 1593
#90282c0024 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM J ARMFIELD IV, DIR. OF QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: CUE), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,197.

-30- 329
#90282c0025 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ROBERT N KENDALL, DIR. OF GREAT BAY BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: GBBS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,000.

-30- 344
#90282c0026 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 5:

First South Commercial Corp. Inc. (FSTS)
Mast/Keystone Inc. (MKEY)

-30- 290
#90282c0027 10/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 8:

Builders Design - Wts (BDNIW); Insuff. No. of active market makers
Vista Organization Partnership LP (TVOPZ); Insuff. No. of public shareholders

The following issues were deleted from NASDAQ effective Oct. 5:

Mack Trucks Inc. (MACK); Acquired by Renalut Vehicules Industriels S.A.
Scholastic Corp. (SCHL); Issue postponed, security never quoted
Webster Clothes Inc. (WEBS); Acquired by Edison Brothers Stores Inc.

-30- 651

#90282c0028 10/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Logimetrics Inc.(TICKER: LOGI) earned $405,166 (including an extraordinary gain of $164,000), or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $9.86 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $214,340 (extraordinary gain of $87,000), or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $8.25 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 534

#90282c0030 10/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows International Semiconductor Corp. lost $107,963, or $0.01 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

The company is in the development stage and was organized to obtain, patent, license and market its proprietary properties in the field of superconductivity.

-30- 507

#90282c0031 10/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 3, 1990, Transact International Inc.(TICKER: TACT) engaged Deloitte & Touche as its independent accountants, replacing its prior accountant, Joel E. Sammet & Co.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two

years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 896

#90282c0032 10/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 27, 1990, an Ohio bankruptcy court entered an order confirming the plan of liquidation for Qmax Technology Group Inc.(TICKER: QMAX).

Pursuant to the plan as confirmed, all of Qmax's assets will be liquidated and paid to various classes of creditors of the company.

It is expected that upon completion of the liquidation of assets, the cash available for distribution to unsecured creditors will result in their receiving less than 30 percent of their claims.

Shareholders of Qmax will retain their shares, but the shares will be worthless because Qmax will have no further assets.

Qmax's business operations were terminated on or about June 26, 1990.

The company's executive office is located at 1001 Brown School Road, Vandalia, Ohio 45337 and its telephone number is (513) 890-5231.

-30- 1053

#90282c0033 10/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Value Line Inc.(TICKER: VALU) earned $4.87 million, or $0.49 per share, on revenues of $16.09 million for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $927,000, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $15.61 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 485

#90282c0034 10/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 27, 1990, Mr. Peter J. Van Pelt, president and chief executive officer of Library Bureau Inc.(TICKER: LBUR), informed the board of directors he does not seek reappointment as an officer of the company at the next annual meeting, tentatively scheduled for Feb. 26, 1991.

Mr. Van Pelt will be a candidate for re-election to the board of directors.

Mr. Rudolph F. Scialdo, chairman of the board, will temporarily assume Mr. Van Pelt's position, titles and duties at the annual meeting date.

-30- 715
#90282c0035 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

PAINEWEBBER INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 564,528 SHARES (6.30%) OF CONTINENTAL GOLD CORP (TICKER: CNTV) OF VANCOUVER, B.C., CANADA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 26, 1990 through Oct. 1, 1990, Paine Webber Inc. purchased 832,792 shares at a price of $11.63 to $18.25 per share and sold 269,375 shares at a price of $11.68 to $17.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 580
#90282c0036 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY J.B. COTSEN OWNS 2,570,750 SHARES (14.27%) OF UTILITECH INC (TICKER: UTLL) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result of disputes between Ms. Cotsen and Mr. Hevrony, they are no longer member of a group for purpose of this filing and, in addition, on July 28, 1990, Ms. Cotsen resigned as a member of Utilitech Inc.'s board of directors. An option to purchase 750,000 shares of common stock of Utilitech Inc. at $2.25 per share was granted to Ms. Cotsen by option agreement dated May 30, 1990. The option is exercisable at any time up until and including May 30, 1993, was issued to Ms. Cotsen in consideration of past services rendered to Utilitech Inc., and had no relationship with her loan of $1,500,000 to Utilitech Inc. in March, 1990. The $1,500,000 loan made in March 1990 was due in 30 to 60 days and the maturity of the loan was extended twice. Upon receiving the entitled promissory note from Utilitech, it reflected a due day of July 1, 1990 and interest at a rate of 12 percent. Utilitech Inc. offered Ms. Cotsen warrants to acquire 225,000 shares of Utilitech Inc.'s common stock at an exercise price well below the then market value as compensation and inducement to cause Ms. Cotsen to make the loan. The 12 percent interest

provided for in the promissory note and the warrants may have made the loan usurious under California law. Ms. Cotsen has refused to further extend the loan and has declared the loan in default; and she may have an action against Utilitech Inc. for the warrants, which could result in the issuance of additional shares of Utilitech Inc. common stock to her.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1861
#90282c0038 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS L P OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 9,786,100 SHARES (9.48%) OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP (TICKER: NSM) OF SANTA CLARA, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Institutional Partners LP purchased 2,718,200 shares from Sept. 11 to Oct. 5, 1990 for $3.61 to $4.82 per share.

-30- 509
#90282c0039 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Ask has announced that it has been advised by the NASD that as a condition for the continued listing of ASK's common stock as a National Market System security, the proposed sale of 5.6 million common shares to EDS Corp. and Hewlett-Packard Co. will require shareholder approval. ASK believes that it has no obligation to keep its shares listed on the National Market System and will instead trade its shares on the NASDAQ system.

-30- 636
#90282c0040 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

JTN Acquisition Corp. has made a tender offer of $18 per share for up to 6,177,825 shares. The board of Justin Ind. Inc.(TICKER: JSTN) has unanimously voted to reject the offer and recommends that shareholders do not tender their shares. The board has authorized the filing of an amended complaint in its lawsuit against JTN in federal court.

-30- 577
#90282c0041 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

C.D. SILVER OF FREDERICKSBURG, VA OWNS 27,086 SHARES (13.67%) OF FREDERICKSBURG NATIONAL BANCORP INC OF FREDERICKSBURG, VA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

C.D. Silver purchased 2,388 shares for $180 per share on Oct. 1, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 469
#90282c0042 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ALPHA CAPITAL CO INC OF OAKLAND, CA OWNS 841,558 SHARES (6.80%) OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB) OF SAN JOSE, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Alpha Capital Co. Inc. purchased 117,500 shares in the past sixty days for $7.88 to $9.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 496
#90282c0043 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

GROUP LED BY WOODLAND INVESTMENT CO OF IRVING, TX OWNS 943,776 SHARES (19.06%) OF ATTENTION MEDICAL CO (TICKER: ATMD) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 27, 1990, Attention Medical Co. effected a one for ten reverse stock split in connection with a short form merger between Attention Medical Co. and Stanco Medical Inc. Atlee Kohl, among others, entered into an exchange agreement in which 9,802,430 shares were sold to Stanco in exchange for Stanco issuing 2,007,109 shares of its common stock. The merger was then consummated and each old common shares of Attention Medical Co. was converted into one tenth of a share of common and each Stanco outstanding share was converted into .488 shares of common stock. A voting agreement was also entered into such that Atlee Kohl and one of his nominees are to be elected to the board.

-30- 1061
#90282c0044 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Barden (TICKER: BARD) announced on Oct. 5, 1990 that a request for additional information has been received from the FTC under the HSR Act.

-30- 351
#90282c0047 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY WOODLAND VENTURE FUND OF ROSLYN, NY OWNS 219,213 SHARES (4.61%) OF VELOBIND INC (TICKER: VBND) OF SUNNYVALE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 4, 1990, Woodland Venture Fund ceased to own more than 5 percent of Velobind Inc.'s common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Woodland Venture Fund sold 108,000 shares from Sept. 27 to Oct. 4, 1990 for $8.84 to $8.88 per share. On Aug. 9, 1990, Fund distributed 28,700 shares to withdrawing limited partners and repurchased the shares at $6.375 per share on the same day. On Aug. 30, 1990, Seneca distributed 18,000 shares to a limited partner and then repurchased the shares at $6.13 per share.

-30- 859
#90282c0048 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GROUP LED BY WOODLAND VENTURE FUND OF ROSLYN, NY OWNS 694,033 SHARES (7.10%) OF CHEYENNE SOFTWARE INC (TICKER: CYE) OF ROSLYN, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Woodland Venture Fund purchased 92,400 shares from Aug. 20 to Sept. 28, 1990 for $4.88 to $6.13 per share. On Aug. 22, 1990, Fund distributed 54,000 shares to withdrawing limited partners and repurchased the shares at $4.755 per share the next day.

-30- 625
#90282c0049 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 10) COMTEX - Houston-based Enterra Corp.(TICKER: EN) has acquired Oilfield Rental Tools Ltd., Oilfield Rental Tools Pte. Ltd. and Petrodrill Oilfield Services Pty. Ltd. for a total of $10.8 million.

The three overseas oil and gas drilling tool renters and sellers were purchased from Artoun Ramian, Mehdi Metghalchi, Michael Teow and Mohsen Hekmat according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The purchase price was paid with $9.6 million cash and $1.2 million worth of Enterra common stock or 63,864 shares.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on

Oct. 9, 1990.

-30- 799
#90282c0050 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY J.F. SHEA CO INC OF WALNUT, CA OWNS 1,653,000 SHARES (4.77%) OF SUNWARD TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: SUNT) OF SAN DIEGO, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

JF Shea Co. Inc. has purchased 152,000 shares for a total of $95,250 and Edmund H. Shea has sold 152,000 for a total of $95,250 at undisclosed dates.

PURPOSE:

Investment

-30- 552
#90282c0051 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY ALLEN & CO INC OWNS 150,000 SHARES (7.20%) OF METRO TEL CORP (TICKER: MTRO) OF HICKSVILLE, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In connection with the retention of Allen and Co. Inc. to serve as Metro Tel Corp.'s investment banker, Metro Tel Corp. issued Allen and Co. a warrant to purchase 75,000 shares at $1 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 549
#90282c0052 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

B.D. Fitzgerald percentage interest in Security Capital Corp.(TICKER: SCC) totaling 47.2 percent includes both common and class A common shares. On Sept. 28, 1990 B.D. Fitzgerald purchased the remaining 243,500 class A shares covered by the stock purchase agreement for a total price of $88,369. Also, Security Capital Corp. refunded $82,155 to B.D. Fitzgerald as a result of an adjustment of the purchase price from $.382 to $.363 per share.

PURPOSE:

Completion of stock purchase agreement.

-30- 733
#90282c0054 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.D. SHEA OWNS 899,500 SHARES (11.20%) OF CALVIN EXPLORATION INC OF DENVER, CO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 10, 1990 J.D. Shea purchased 800,000 shares for a $0.31 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 410
#90282c0056 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY BRUNSON PROPERTIES OWNS 219,974 SHARES (14.10%) OF NATIONAL SECURITY GROUP INC (TICKER: NSEC) OF ELBA, AL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Brunson Properties received all of the shares on Sept. 28, 1990 pursuant to the consummation of the plan of exchange under which The National Security Group Inc. became the parent of National Security Insurance Co.

-30- 572
#90282c0057 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY M.I. GLAZER OF ROCHESTER, NY OWNS 1,253,800 SHARES (8.60%) OF TONKA CORP (TICKER: TKA) OF MINNETONKA, MN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

An aggregate of $1,636,000 of the funds used to acquire shares purchased by M.I. Glazer have been or will be borrowed from SunBank/South Florida NA under a master revolving note in favor of the bank dated June 13, 1990 in the maximum amount of $3 million. M.I. Glazer has applied for advances in the amount of $1,636,000 under the note between Oct. 4 and Oct. 9.

-30- 698
#90282c0058 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FREEDOM FINANCIAL CORP OF LOUISVILLE, KY OWNS 358,300 SHARES (17.00%) OF REALTY SOUTH INVESTORS INC (TICKER: RSI) OF MARIETTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a Sept. 28, 1990 agreement between Freedon and RRH Capital Management, Freedom has agreed to purchase 300,000 shares for $6 per share on Oct. 15, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Freedom Financial Corp. purchased 5,000 shares on Sept. 24-26, 1990 for $3.13 to $3.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 694
#90282c0059 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

POLYSTAR CORP OWNS 12,000,000 SHARES (51.80%) OF PHARMACONTROL CORP (TICKER: PHAR) OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Polystar Corp. purchased an additional $300,000 promissory note on Sept. 20, 1990, which is immediately convertible into common stock at $.20 per share. Polystar Corp. has agreed to purchase an additional note for $200,000 prior to Oct. 31, 1990 and Pharmacontrol Corp. elected five new members to the current board of directors.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 690
#90282c0060 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.J. STANLEY OWNS 2,498,749 SHARES (50.50%) OF ATTENTION MEDICAL CO (TICKER: ATMD) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 27, 1990, the merger of Attention Medical Co. and Stanco Medical Inc. became effective. As a result, each share of Stanco was converted into .488 shares of common stock. Also on Sept. 27, 1990, D.J. Stanley, among others, entered into an exchange agreement pursuant to which the group agreed to exchange 9,802,430 common shares of the company for 2,007,109 shares of Stanco. Each outstanding share of Attention Medical Co. was then converted into one tenth of a share of common stock. A voting trust was entered into that allows for the voting of shares such that Atlee Kohl and one of his nominees and D.J. Stanley and two of his nominees are elected to the board of directors.

PURPOSE:

Merger of Attention Medical Co. and Stanco.

-30- 1088
#90282c0061 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L.R. STANLEY OWNS 695,048 SHARES (14.00%) OF ATTENTION MEDICAL CO (TICKER: ATMD) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 27, 1990, the merger of Attention Medical Co. and Stanco Medical Inc. became effective. As a result, each share of Stanco was converted into .488 shares of common stock.

PURPOSE:

Merger of Attention Medical Co. and Stanco.

-30- 562
#90282c0062 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.C. BROWN OWNS 80,573 SHARES (5.15%) OF ORANGE BANCORP OF FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The shares were purchased by the John Carlisle Brown, MD Inc. Employee Pension Trust for $1 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90282c0064 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.G. LADICOS OWNS 155,488 SHARES (9.68%) OF ORANGE BANCORP OF FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The shares were purchased by J.G. Ladicos for $3-$5 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 394
#90282c0065 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY R.W. PRATT OWNS 41,406 SHARES (2.58%) OF ORANGE BANCORP OF FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.W. Pratt have ceased to own more than five percent of Orange Bancorp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

R.W. Pratt sold 65,000 shares on July 24, 1990 for $2.50 per share.

-30- 472
#90282c0066 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY R.W. PRATT OWNS 106,325 SHARES (6.63%) OF ORANGE BANCORP OF FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 388
#90282c0067 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 24, 1990, the company filed an answer and counterclaim in Kansas City Power & Light Co.(TICKER: KAN) et al. v. Kansas Gas and Electric Co. (TICKER: KSGE).

-30- 372
#90282c0071 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 291,900 SHARES (5.40%) OF TANDY BRANDS INC (TICKER: TAB).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 390
#90282c0072 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS (5.00%) OF KENNAMETAL INC (TICKER: KMT) OF LATROBE, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 383
#90282c0073 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS (5.00%) OF KAYDON CORP (TICKER: KDON).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 363
#90282c0075 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.M. COCHRAN OWNS 189,805 SHARES (5.50%) OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: SF) OF ST. LOUIS, MO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

R.M. Cochran purchased 54,650 shares from July 9 to Sept. 21, 1990 for $4.63 to $5.37 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 458
#90282c0076 10/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 9, 1990, Kansas Gas & Electric (TICKER: KSGE) sent a letter to Charles M. Studness, contributing editor of the Public Utilities Fortnightly.

-30- 362
#90282d3220 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 9) - Former Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp. (NTT) chairman Hisashi Shinto was Tuesday found guilty of taking bribes from Recruit Co., the center of a major stocks-for-favors scandal in Japan.

Tokyo District Court judge Ken Toyota sentenced Mr. Shinto, 80, to a two-year jail term, suspended for three years, and ordered him to pay 22.7 million yen (174,000 dollars) in fines, court officials said.

The former boss of the Japanese telecommunications giant was found guilty of accepting 10,000 unlisted stocks in a Recruit subsidiary and selling them after the shares went public at a profit of about 22 million yen.

Mr. Shinto, who was regarded as one of the finest examples of management while leading Japan's largest firm, submitted his resignation as NTT chairman on December 14, 1988 after being implicated in the scandal.

Mr. Shinto's lawyers were unavailable Tuesday for comment.

Tuesday's verdict was the second court ruling of five trials involving 12 politicians, bureaucrats, businessmen and others indicted on bribery charges in the Recruit scandal.

The scandal surfaced in June 1988 and forced the resignation of finance minister Kichi Miyazawa in December of that year and Noboru Takeshita as prime minister in April 1989.

A total of 43 politicians, bureaucrats and businessmen were forced to resign in the wake of the Recruit scandal.

In the first court ruling on March 26, the same court found Shigeru Kano, a former labor ministry official, guilty of receiving 1.5 million yen (11,000 dollars) in bribes from Recruit and sentenced him to a suspended one-year prison term on bribe-taking charges.

The defendants also included former chief cabinet secretary Takao Fujinami and former chairman Hiromasa Ezoe of Recruit Co.

Recruit is an information conglomerate which allegedly gave its pre-listed stocks and donations to some 160 people from 1986 to 1988 in exchange for favors as the company expanded.

-30- 2162

#90282d3240 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 9) - Fifty-five Chinese who illegally entered Taiwan have been repatriated, in the first legal direct link between the nationalist-ruled island and communist mainland since 1949.

The official New China News Agency (NCNA) said the group landed Monday in Fuzhou, capital of east-coast Fujian province, in an operation handled by the Chinese and Taiwan Red Cross societies.

It did not say what happened to the 55 once they were back on Chinese soil. Individuals who leave mainland China without authorization risk stiff penalties if they are repatriated.

Following a plan laid down by the two Red Cross societies in September, the group sailed first to Matsu, a small Taiwan-held island one mile (1.5 kilometers) off the mainland coast, on a Taiwan Red Cross vessel.

There, after 20 minutes, they boarded a Chinese Red Cross ship for Fuzhou, NCNA said in a dispatch late Monday.

The operation marked the first direct crossing of the Taiwan Strait to be approved by Taiwan's nationalist government since 1949, when it lost control of mainland China to Mao Zedong's communists.

Despite a ban on direct air and sea links, small boats regularly dart across the Taiwan Strait undetected, often carrying mainlanders who hope to steal into prosperous Taiwan to start new lives.

Repatriation of illegal immigrants used to be handled by Taiwan's military.

But the task came under Red Cross auspices in September after 25 expelled illegal immigrants suffocated to death in the hold of a vessel found adrift in the Taiwan Strait in August.

Twenty-one others went missing and were feared dead after their boat collided with an escorting Taiwan naval ship later that month.

A total of 328 Chinese fishing boats carrying 10,952 illegal immigrants were sent back to China between June 1988 and August this year, according to Taiwan government statistics.

-30- 2074

#90282d3500 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (OCT. 9) - The Hungarian economy next year is expected to see a worsening of recession, along with rising inflation and unemployment, according to a study by the Hungarian Economic Research Institute.

The study, excerpts of which were published Monday, predicted Hungary's gross domestic product would fall 3 percent this year from 1989, overall consumption by 3 percent, consumption by the state sector by 7 percent and investment by 6 percent.

The report said that next year, deemed a critical point, Hungary's foreign trade deficit could hit one billion dollars.

Exports in 1991 will register a drop of between 15 to 20 percent from the current year, while inflation, now at about 30 percent, could reach 50 percent and the numbers of unemployed climb from 40,000 to 200,000, the study predicted.

Rising oil prices and the Comecon's transition from trade in rubles to trade in dollars were cited as factors pushing inflation upward.

Meanwhile, a senior international economic relations ministry official denied rumors that the Soviet Union would stop importing from Hungary, Czechoslovakia and what was formerly East Germany in order to reduce its trade deficit with the Comecon, or communist trade bloc, countries.

Hungary's trade surplus with the Soviet Union, 540 million rubles last year, has risen to 800 million rubles this year.

The ministry official, Laszlo Timar, said the Soviet Union is preparing to halt only its imports of non-agricultural products not covered by Comecon agreements.

-30- 1733

#90282d3520 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 9 (AFP) - Occidental Petroleum Malaysia, a unit of the U.S. based oil exploration company, said Tuesday that it had struck oil and gas off the east Malaysian state of Sarawak.

The company said in a statement that its discovery well 180 kilometres (112 miles) off Bintulu town encountered several oil and gas bearing zones between 2,050 and 2,650 metres (6,765 and 8,745 feet) below sea level.

Two of the zones which were tested registered oil flow of 1,200 barrels per day and gas flow of 9.8 million cubic feet (277,536 cubic metres) per day.

Occidental is the operator and has a 70 per cent stake in the exploration area which it is sharing with Petronas Carigali, the exploration arm of Malaysia's national oil company Petronas.

The company is also exploring for oil in another offshore block off Sarawak and one off neighbouring Sabah state.

-30- 1071

#90282d3530 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (OCT. 9) - South Africa and Madagascar on Monday agreed to restore merchant shipping links in a bid to hasten the development of economic ties between the two countries.

The shipping agreement was signed at the administrative Union Buildings here by Madagascar's Transport Minister Lucien Zasy and his South African counterpart George Bartlett.

The agreement has to be ratified by the two governments but it already makes provision for merchant ships of the two countries to visit each other's harbours.

Shipping links between South African and Madagascar were broken in 1972 as a direct result of South Africa's apartheid policies.

The reform policies of President Frederik de Klerk have resulted in the

restoration of trade and air links with several African countries since February 2.

On August 14, South Africa and Madagascar signed an agreement providing for air links with Madagascar and also Monday, South African Airways (SAA) announced that weekly flights between Johannesburg and Nairobi, Kenya, are to start on December 1.

-30- 1246

#90282d3590 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 9) - South Africa's foreign exchange earnings from maize would plunge drastically by some one billion rands (389 million dollars) compared to earnings from last year's crop, a report here said Tuesday.

Maize Board Managing Director Hennie Davel said the country would earn 350 million rands (136 million dollars) from maize exports this year compared to last year's earnings of 1.4 billion rands (544 million dollars), the influential financial daily Business Day reported Tuesday.

Mr. Davel attributed the plunge to a smaller exportable surplus, a lower world price and a strong dollar.

Only 7.4 million tons of maize had been delivered to the Maize Board this year compared to last year's 10.6 million tons, primarily due to a lower crop yield and less favourable weather, Mr. Davel added.

-30- 1007

#90282d3610 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (OCT. 9) - A study released here Tuesday forecast lower economic growth this year in New Zealand as a result of the Gulf crisis and rising international interest rates.

The private Institute of Economic Research said economic growth will slow from 1.3 percent in 1989-90 to 0.8 percent this year and growth over the next five years will average 1.8 percent annually.

International events have had a major impact on New Zealand's economy, the institute said.

Slower world growth through 1989 has been worsened by the Gulf crisis and increased inflationary pressures have led to a rise in world interest rates.

The New Zealand Manufacturers Federation, reacting to the report, said the economic consequences of such slow growth would be grave.

In a statement, the Manufacturers' Association Director General Wally Gardner

said: "The stagnation across the board that would be the outcome from the institute's predictions cannot be allowed to happen."

-30- 1145

#90282d3620 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 9) - The Jakarta Stock Exchange (JSE) has toughened its trading rules in a move to weed out speculation and bring order into the market, brokers said Tuesday.

The government-owned Capital Market Executing Agency (Bapepam), which runs the JSE, has issued a circular to brokerage firms insisting that they must trade only in stocks for which they could deliver.

All transactions must be in cash and they must be settled within the following four trading days, it said.

The new rules effectively barred short sells -- selling borrowed stock at high prices and only buying it later when the price was lower. They would also ensure speedier settlements which currently could take two weeks.

Traders welcomed the rules, slated to come into effect on October 22, to put order into the market, but questioned the timing when the market was already bearish with prices falling by over 20 percent in the past month.

The circular stipulated that brokerage firms would be barred from trading for one month, and trader for three months, if the firms could not deliver sold stocks.

The brokerage firms would be barred from trading for a day for each unsettled transaction, and would have to pay one percent interest a day to clients for the outstanding amount.

If after one month, the transaction was still not settled, a firm's membership would be withdrawn.

Share bids and offers must reflect the actual market forces and members who failed to observe this could lose their trading licences, according to the circular.

The circular also said the JSE trading floor and gallery would be off limits to non-members and Bapepam had told brokerage firms to provide their own gallery at their offices for investors, brokers said.

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#90282d3710 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 9) - Malaysia Tuesday sent a cocoa trade mission to China

to expand its market there, a statement from the Ministry of Primary Industries said.

The 18-day mission led by the chairman of the Malaysian Cocoa board will meet government officials as well as cocoa processors and food product manufacturers in Beijing, Tianjin, Shanghai, Guangzhou and Shenzen.

Malaysia, the world's fourth largest cocoa producer with production last year of about 250,000 tons, currently accounts for 36 percent of the cocoa beans imported by China.

China imported 5,588 tons of cocoa beans in 1988 and is reported to have a market of between 70,000 and 90,000 of tons of cocoa and cocoa products a year.

-30- 874

#90282d3720 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 9) - The Tokyo Regional Taxation Bureau has ordered the Bank of Tokyo to pay 900 million yen (6.9 million dollars) in penalty and back taxes for allegedly failing to report 1.9 billion yen (14.7 million dollars) in income for the year to March 1988, bureau sources said Tuesday.

The sources said the bureau's auditors found the bank to have concealed gains of some 800 million yen (6.2 million dollars) from share and bond dealings and more than 1.1 billion yen (8.5 million dollars) from foreign exchange and other transactions.

Bank of Tokyo officials said the incident resulted from a "difference of perspective" with tax authorities over the value of transactions in securities.

The bank made 58 billion yen (446 million dollars) in profits for the year to March 1988, so there was no reason to try and conceal anything, they said.

This was the second scandal involving a major commercial bank in Tokyo reported in less than a week.

Sumitomo Bank chairman Ichiro Isoda said on Sunday he would resign to take responsibility for a loan scandal involving a former Sumitomo branch manager.

-30- 1310

#90282d3730 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (OCT. 9) - Taiwan's capital outflow rose to a record 11.66 billion U.S. dollars in the first eight months of the year despite a slowdown since July, the Central Bank of China said Tuesday.

A total of 8.2 billion dollars was sent abroad for the whole last year, the bank said.

It said 62 percent of the money sent overseas between January and August went into investment in manufacturing, real estate and securities by individuals and private enterprises.

Many investors had bought U.S. dollars and deposited them in overseas banks for fear of a fall in the local Taiwan dollar.

The bank said 14 percent of the capital outflow went to pay foreign debts.

The capital exodus started to level off in July as the local investment climate gradually improved, the bank said, noting that its intervention to stablize the local unit at around 27.30 dollars to the greenback had helped curb currency speculation.

Taiwan's investment commission officially approved a record 961 million dollars worth of overseas projects by local businessmen in the January-August period, up nearly 90 percent on the same period last year.

Many local businessmen have shifted their operations abroad over the past years to escape social unrest, an acute labor shortage, prohibitive land prices and growing environmental concern on the island.

The bank did not give a monthly breakdown of the capital outflow figures.

-30- 1615

#90282d3750 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (OCT. 9) - Vietnam plans to open its first special economic zone near Ho Chi Minh City in a bid to attract more foreign investment, press reports said here Tuesday.

The zone, to specialize in processing and exports, will be set up on a 50 hectare (120 acres) site in a suburb of Ho Chi Minh Ville (formerly Saigon), the thriving capital of southern Vietnam, and be ready for business from next year, the Hanoi Moi newspaper said.

"Ho Chi Minh City is authorised to negotiate with foreign and local investors on the basis of (Vietnam's 1987) foreign investment law," the newspaper said, referring also to the rules covering similar zones in other countries.

However only investors putting up all the capital for any joint venture will be allowed to operate in the zone, which will offer land leases of between 30 and 50 years.

The proposed zone will be managed by a single authority in a bid to simplify administrative procedures, with light industry and electronic component assembly favoured because of the large numbers of workers they can employ.

Ho Chi Minh City and the provinces of what was South Vietnam generally have better infrastructure than the north, attracting about 80 per cent of the 1.3 billion dollars in foreign investment in Vietnam since the 1987 law was passed.

-30- 1513

#90282d3770 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (OCT. 9) - Saudi Arabia's crude oil production in September averaged 7.63 million barrels per day (BD), and is targetted to reach 7.8 million BD in October, it was reported Tuesday.

The authoritative Middle East Economic Survey (MEES) said 7.5 million BD of the September production came from the Saudi-owned Arabian American Oil Company (ARAMCO) and 130,000 BD from the Saudi share of the Abu Safah offshore neutral zone, which Saudi Arabia shares with Bahrain.

The Cyprus-based newsletter also reported that the Saudis have raised their refining capacity by more than 300,000 BD since the outbreak of the Gulf crisis on August 2 when Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait.

MEES said Saudi refineries processed 1.772 million BD of crude in September, compared to 1.444 million BD before the crisis erupted.

Both joint-venture export refineries of SamarecShell at Jubail on the Gulf, and SamarecMobil at Yanbu on the Red Sea, are now operating at 300,000 BD - 50,000 BD above their original design capacities. The newly commissioned Rabigh export plant, also on the Red Sea, is also running at 300,000 BD, MEES said.

The country's biggest refinery, at the Ras Tanura on the Gulf, has raised its crude throughput to 460,000 BD, compared to 350,000 before August 2, MEES said.

-30- 1489

#90282d3780 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 9) - The Khmer Rouge, the most powerful guerrilla force fighting the Phnom Penh government, has received tanks from China for the first time as fighting threatens to pick up in Cambodia, it was reported here Tuesday.

A reporter for a television news agency, who returned here last week from guerrilla-held areas in northern Cambodia, said he had been told in interviews during his trip that the Khmer Rouge, the country's former Marxist rulers, had received their first shipments of Chinese tanks in the past two months.

Visnews reporter David McKaige said Prince Norodom Ranariddh, a non-communist guerrilla leader in a Khmer Rouge-dominated coalition fighting Phnom Penh's

Vietnam-installed government, had confirmed this in a later interview.

A senior Thai military official declined either to confirm or deny the reports.

According to analysts, fighting which had subsided in Cambodia during the past few months could soon intensify again as the rainy season draws to an end in the southeast Asian nation where troop movements, particularly mechanized units, have been bogged down by heavy monsoon downpours.

Prince Ranariddh, the son of Prince Norodom Sihanouk, the titular head of the guerrilla coalition and the head of of one of its two non-communist factions, told Visnews the Khmer Rouge was making preparations for major strikes as peace talks between Phnom Penh and the guerrillas are deadlocked.

The Khmer Rouge is in a position to use tanks and heavy artillery, particularly in the northern Cambodian sector of Siem Reap where the ancient Angkor temple complex, one of the world's architectural marvels and the symbol of the nation, is located, Prince Ranariddh said.

According to sources familiar with developments in Cambodia, the Chinese shipments consisted of twenty-four T-59 tanks.

The tanks have been deployed in Anlong Veng, some 30 kilometers (18 miles) south of the Thai border to the north of Siem Reap, and in Pailin, a gem-mining center in northwestern Cambodia, some 10 kilometers (6 miles) away from the border, which the Khmer Rouge seized a year ago, the sources who declined to be further identified said.

-30- 2373

#90282d3890 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 9) - The world economy is again heading toward "stagflation," two decades after the oil shock of the seventies, the head of the Asian Development Bank (ADB) has warned.

Kimimasa Tarumizu said persistent high oil prices due to the Gulf crisis would affect much of Asia and that the rise of three trading blocs based on the dollar, yen and mark could jeopardize world economic growth.

He made the remarks in a speech to a meeting of the International Iron and Steel Institute in Australia on Monday, copies of which were made available here Tuesday by the Manila-based ADB.

The probability of slower growth in the West and recession in the U.S. economy has "substantially increased" and "the return to a period of stagflation characteristic of the 1970s can no longer be excluded," Mr. Tarumizu said.

Stagflation, a term coined 20 years ago, describes persistent inflation

combined with near zero growth and relatively high unemployment.

Mr. Tarumizu said this prospect "could be compounded" by other factors which existed before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, among them the U.S. fiscal and trade deficits, possible economic realignment after the end of the Cold War and polarization of the world economy.

He said the disruption of the oil market due to the Gulf conflict "could necessitate a significant reappraisal of earlier projections," adding that a permanent rise in oil prices would adversely affect economies of oil importers.

Mr. Tarumizu said the U.S. fiscal and trade deficits were likely to strain the world financial markets, while increasing demand for investment funds in Europe would put a squeeze on funds.

"If not properly remedied, (this) may eventually lead to high interest rates, which could seriously affect the heavily-indebted developing countries," he said.

The ADB president said global political changes, while auguring well for the future, could cause a short-term realignment of economic activities which could be "difficult to handle" if they resulted in unemployment.

He said the polarization of the world economy was a "cause for concern", citing the rise of three trading blocs based on the yen, dollar and mark in the late 1980's.

"Should such a trend continue in the 1990s, the future development of the world trading system could be seriously jeopardized and world economic growth would suffer."

Owing to expanding trade and investment with the rest of the world, the prospects for developing Asian countries would depend on how well individual states adapted to the rapidly changing world economic environment, he said.

High oil prices would make the region worse off in terms of economic growth, employment, balance of payments and inflation over the medium term except for oil producers Brunei, Indonesia and Malaysia, Mr. Tarumizu said.

A U.S. recession would also affect export growth while countries with large overseas work forces or large construction contracts in the Middle East could expect lower foreign exchange earnings, he added.

But he said economic fundamentals in the region were "particularly good", and it was likely the southeast Asian and South Asian economies would catch up with the four tigers -- Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore and South Korea -- in growth prospects.

Mr. Tarumizu said the "new frontiers" of the resource-rich Indochinese countries and Soviet Asia could boost this "catching up process".

For Asia's so-called Tiger economies, the decade ahead will be one of "transition to mature industrialized status," he added, while China will become the region's "engine of growth" both as a market and a supplier of goods.

-30- 3915

#90282d4050 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (OCT. 9) - Two new oil fields have been discovered off the north western Angolan coast, the ANGOP news agency, monitored here, reported on Tuesday.

The report quoted the Angolan state-owned oil company SONANGOL as saying that the two fields had been found in exploration block two.

The U.S. oil company Texaco has a stake of 20 percent in the block. SONANGOL holds 25 percent. TOTAL Angola and BRASPETRO each holds 27.5 percent.

One well, named Estrela um, was nine kilometres (five miles) from the coast and was running at the rate of 2,100 barrels per day.

The second well, called Morsa oeste, was 16 kilometres (10 miles) from the coast, and was providing 1,600 barrels per day.

Block two is one of 13 Angolan blocks off the coast south of the Cabinda enclave.

-30- 981

#90282d4070 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT. 9) - Two Kenyan lawyers were arrested early Monday after security police searched their homes and offices and seized numerous documents, it was learned here Tuesday.

Family members of one of the lawyers, Rumba Kinuthia, said police smashed down the doors and metal grills of his house to gain entry and that he had been "beaten up" in the raid.

They said some 20 police officers entered Mr. Kinuthia's home in Nairobi's northeastern suburb at 4.00 a.m., and made a thorough search.

Mr. Kinuthia was then taken to his Nairobi chambers for a another five-hour search, before being led away with bundles of legal and other pamphlets, including literary works, the sources said.

Mr. Kinuthia left a brief note for the press charging that "he had been beaten

up by two police officers during the extremely violent police raid".

Other sources said Mr. Kinuthia's brother and sister had also been arrested, but their whereabouts were not immediately known.

Lawyer Mirugi Kariuki was also picked up from his home at 3.00 a.m. on Monday at Nakuru, 160 kilometres (100 miles) west of here, in a similar raid.

His wife, Susan Wangui, said police demanded that Mr. Kariuki produce Koigi wa Wamwere, a self-exiled former member of parliament from Nakuru North currently living in Scandinavia. They then led Mr. Kariuki away to an unknown destination.

-30- 1573

#90282d4110 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 9) - There is little likelihood of a further immediate drop in British interest rates following the one per cent cut Monday as the pound joined the Exchange Rate Mechanism (ERM) of the European Monetary System, Bank of England Governor Robin Leigh-Pemberton said here Tuesday.

"I like to think we shall be very careful on further reduction of interest rates unless we can be really satisfied on the front of inflation," Mr. Leigh-Pemberton told a meeting of Japanese bankers.

"The ERM is not a panacea, however," he said, adding: "We shall need to be vigilant in maintaining a firm counter-inflationary policy.

"A tight monetary policy will continue to be needed," he said.

-30- 883

#90282d4300 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 9) - Japan's finance ministry will ease regulations from next month on new bond issues to make it easier for companies to raise capital amid rising interest rates and scare money, ministry sources said Tuesday.

The sources said the measures envisaged included doubling from 600 the number of companies allowed to issue unsecured bonds, lowering the companies' required capital reserves and relying more systematically on commercial credit rating firms.

These measures would give the companies more freedom of action and also a greater sense of responsibility in calculating risk, analysts here said.

The sources said the ministry could, for example, authorise a company with a sound financial risk rating to issue convertible bonds or fixed rate bonds without examining its level of reserves or asking for collateral.

Measures aimed at allowing companies to issue securities through banks are also being considered, the sources said.

-30- 1134
#90282d4420 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 9) - The Soviet Union's banking system moved a step closer towards decentralization when the parliament in a first reading approved the bank reform law.

Under the bill, the Soviet Union's central State Bank will be removed from the domaine of the government and is to be responsible solely to the Supreme Soviet, or parliament, function as an ''autonomous organ to guid the monetary and credit system''.

In addition, the central banks of the Soviet republics will no longer be branches of the state bank, but rather become autonomous legal entities.

State Bank chairman Viktor Geraschenko described the bank reform bill as being at the ''core of all the planned reforms''. Alexander Orlov, deputy chairman of the parliamentary planning committee, said the bank reform would be the ''catalyst for transition to a market economy''.

A second reading of the bill is scheduled for a later session of the Supreme Soviet, according to the Soviet agency Tass.

-30- 1185
#90282d4490 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BELGRADE (OCT. 9) - The Soviet Union has reduced deliveries of oil to Yugoslavia sharply in recent months, saying that it has reduced output, the Tanjug news agency said here Tuesday.

In July the Soviet Union provided only 250,000 tons of oil and in August 180,000, against an expected 600,000 tons each month.

Under an agreement at the beginning of the year, the Soviet Union undertook to supply six million tons of oil in 1990, representing half of the oil imported by Yugoslavia which itself produces about five million tons of crude per year.

-30- 717
#90282d4510 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (OCT. 9) - The Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo) Tuesday accused the United States of applying ''double standards'' over Washington's attitude to Monday's killing of 22 Palestinians by Israeli soldiers on Jerusalem's Temple Mount.

The Plo representative in Bonn, Abdallah Frangi, criticised the U.S. for blocking a U.N. Security Council resolution condemning Israel and for opposing the suggestion that a U.N. delegation be sent to the occupied territories to assess the situation there.

''While in the gulf crisis, the United States secured the passing of Security Council resolutions resulting in the harshest sanctions against Iraq in no time, they now want to prevent the mere condemnation of Israel's occupation politicians'', Frangi said.

''The double standards of the American attitude will provoke dangerous developments throughout the region,.'' Frangi added.

-30- 1075

#90282d4520 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 9) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has called on communists to prepare for power-sharing with "all progressive and patriotic forces" to help overcome the country's economic crisis.

Speaking on the first day of a two-day plenary session of the central committee here Monday, Mr. Gorbachev asked for the party's blessing as he prepares to announce his plans on October 15 for moves to a market economy.

But he did not spell out what the plans were, saying only they would take account of all the proposals submitted to parliament last month and implying they would include wide-scale denationalizations.

In his opening speech Mr. Gorbachev called on the party leadership to prepare for "a coalition" with "all progressive and patriotic forces".

"Such a coalition could rally around the anti-crisis programme, meeting the interests of the entire nation, all layers of society," he said.

Progressive deputies have been clammering for the resignation of Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov's government and calling for such a ruling coalition.

There is currently only one non-communist in the Soviet government, Culture Minister Nikolai Gubenko.

This was the first time Mr. Gorbachev had spoken of such a "coalition", though he had previously advocated "cooperation" with other "progressive" political forces.

In a speech to the communist party congress last July, Mr. Gorbachev said the party had to revert to "a Leninist concept of its role as a vanguard in society".

The party will fight to keep "its place as ruling party with the context of the democratic process, elections to legislative, central and local organs. In this respect, it will act as a parliamentary party," he said.

Communists, however, should be prepared for "a large cooperation" with "all progressive parties and movements for the consolidation (of society) and in the interests of perestroika," he added.

Mr. Gorbachev's appeal Monday for a grand coalition comes at a time when the party's influence is on the wane and the country faces mounting shortages and public discontent.

Nearly 700,000 members have quit the party in the first eight months of this year, deputy party leader Vladimir Ivashko told the plenum Monday.

But the party remains the country's main political force with just over 18 million members and an all-pervasive organisation.

When Russian parliamentary president Boris Yeltsin walked out of the congress in July saying he was quitting the party, he warned that his departure could spark an exodus "of millions".

But this has so far failed to happen and alternative political parties -- which sprang up after the communists renounced their monopoly on power last February -- have failed to attract a large following, with the exception of nationalist groupings in some republics.

In his speech Mr. Gorbachev also said the main objective of Soviet communists should now be to fight "separatist forces".

"If one does not overcome these negative phenomena, the country might be threatened by Lebanisation, with all its known consequences," he said.

The party should also strive to explain to the people the need for a transition to a market economy and should reject "the inertia of old thinking. All our former ideology presented socialism as the antithesis of the market economy. The market was seen as a conspiracy against socialism.

"That's true. We have conspired against socialism. But only against bureaucratic socialism built after the country turned away from the path it had chosen in 1917," Mr. Gorbachev said.

The "cause of economic and social ills in the country lies in the state monopoly over property which belongs to nobody," Mr. Gorbachev said.

Factories, he added, should become the property of workers' collectives, he also said, implying they should be denationalized.

However, in some sectors, including energy, transportation, communication and defence, industries should remain under state control, he added.

Meanwhile, at the Russian Federation parliament Tuesday, deputy Premier Gennady Filshin warned that the Russian government might consider outlawing the work of certain Soviet ministries on its territory following Mr. Gorbachev's decision to increase wholesale prices across the board.

Mr. Gorbachev's decision will increase the Russian government's budget deficit next year by 70 billion rubles, he said, adding that he might call on the Russian parliament to vote to annul the presidential decree.

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BEIJING (OCT. 9) - China is preparing to set up its first pilot oilfield in the Taklimakan Desert in the northwestern region of Xinjiang, to go into operation in late 1991, the official China Daily newspaper said Tuesday.

The decision to set up the oilfield on the desert's northern rim followed the drilling of 27 test wells in the area, it quoted an official of the state-run China National Oil and Gas Corp as saying.

Chinese experts believe the forbidding Taklimakan desert, also known as the Tarim Basin, holds up to 12 billion tonnes of oil, or one-fifth of China's total reserves.

Foreign oil experts believe the estimates may be over-optimistic.

Part of the pilot oilfield project calls for laying a pipeline to Luntai some 40 kilometers (25 miles) away, from where crude oil would be shipped by train to Xinjiang's provincial capital, Urumqi, for refining.

Most of China's oil output now comes from Daqing in the northeastern province of Heilongjiang.

Experts say that if the Taklimakan development is successful, China could sell some of its output to Europe via the Soviet Union.

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#90282d4580 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (OCT. 9) - Hundreds of former East German diplomats, thrown out of work by German unification, published open letters to the Bonn government on Tuesday, complaining they were victims of a "professional ban."

In one missive, addressed to Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the 440

former diplomats accused Bonn of using a "political neutron bomb" in order to take over East Germany's embassies and fire its personnel.

"It is a professional ban against East German diplomats," the signatories said. "Where did you get the right to give only West German officials the job of representing Germany abroad?"

In another letter, to Rita Suessmuth, president of the Bundestag (federal parliament) and party leaders, the diplomats said their firing violated the "basic norms" of the German constitution and the right to work, as well as "the fundamental rules of decency."

The diplomats demanded jobs in the civil service in the newly united Germany or help to retrain in other sectors, recognition of their professional skills and pension rights that take their professional record into account.

The East German foreign ministry, which went into the history books along with the German Democratic Republic on October 3, was widely used by the Stasi secret police and the espionage service as a means of countering dissent and spying abroad.

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#90282d4590 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 9) - Investment in the Philippines rose 31.3 percent in the first eight months of the year, with a monthly record high in August, a Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) official said Tuesday.

This occurred despite the Gulf crisis, threats of a new coup attempt and concerns over the slowdown of the country's economic recovery, Teresita Saplala, head of the SEC investment division said.

Investment totalled 17.9 billion pesos (695 million dollars) in January to August compared with 13.6 billion pesos (615 million dollars) in the same period last year.

Foreign investment hit 4.3 billion pesos (167 million dollars), a 36 per cent increase from the 3.1 billion pesos (142 million dollars) in the same period in 1989, Mrs. Saplala said.

Investments in August alone hit a record high of 3.5 billion pesos (137 million dollars), with foreign investment that month also hitting a record high of 1.0 billion pesos (40 million dollars), Mrs. Saplala added.

Mrs. Saplala said the rise in investment, despite the country's continuing problems, was due to the sharp depreciation in the Philippine peso this year and the end of export privileges for the newly-industrialized countries of Asia, forcing them to relocate their industries abroad.

She noted that the currencies of other developing southeast Asian nations had appreciated this year, making the Philippines more competitive.

She also said foreign investors had grown used to the country's political problems and believed they could nonetheless make a profit here.

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#90282d4620 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAVANA (OCT. 9) - A heated debate extending to the role of Cuban President Fidel Castro has been raging behind the closed doors of communist party meetings for the past three months as members prepare for the party's Fourth Congress.

The Cuban press has largely ignored the debate among rank-and-file Communist Party members at the meetings in their workplaces, which began in late August and were expanded to include non-union members.

But sources have told Agence France-Presse that the meetings, held in preparation for the congress scheduled for the first half of 1991, have primarily addressed the nation's most immediate problems: the step-by-step introduction of what Mr. Castro has called "a special period in a time of peace" -- what amounts to a war economy to combat the Cuban energy crisis.

The debate has grown out of the communist party's call last February for Cubans to express themselves openly and to take part in setting the agenda by submitting proposals. Topics off-limits were to have been the principle of one-party rule and Mr. Castro's leadership.

Already the discussions have helped shape a series of measures taken these past few weeks: Friday's announced halving of the party's bureaucracy, wage increases in agriculture, and the creation of a people's council in Havana to allow greater popular control over the administration.

According to some sources, the meetings have relentlessly vented criticisms of bureaucracy, with the communist party and its youth branch under fire for alleged abuses of privilege.

In agriculture, the lack of a stable workforce was underscored, and the subject of free peasant markets -- suppressed in 1984 -- has resurfaced frequently as one of the solutions to food supply problems.

The first measure in favor of private production, observers noted, was reported Saturday by the union weekly Trabajadores, which said that residents of Havana province had recently been authorized to raise pigs for themselves.

In another sign of flexibility, a proposal surfaced at one meeting that car

owners be allowed to operate their vehicles as taxis to improve transportation.

The question of freedom to travel overseas has been widely discussed. Several sources said authorities would be considering a legislative proposal on the subject.

Some of the hottest arguments have erupted in intellectual circles. At a Theater-Studio meeting, one person proposed to modify Article 72 of the Cuban constitiution, which deals with the election of the head of state. This proposition would include a fixed limit on the reelection of the Cuban president.

At the University of Havana, a speaker suggested that Mr. Castro would be better suited for the post of foreign minister.

One participant at a meeting at the Casa de Las Americas, the institution under the Culture Ministry, angrily declared he never saw the products which were advertised on television or in the press stocked in stores.

On the subject of personal freedoms, an account published in early summer by the Communist youth daily Rebel Youth demanded that "homosexuality no longer be taboo in Cuba."

Although Mr. Castro Friday told AFP that the Fourth Congress would be held in the "special period," many people are wondering how this debate, so multifaceted and at times corrosive, would be allowed to continue.

Several senior Cuban officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, noted that the Cuban revolution cannot give short shrift to the Fourth Congress, seen by some as "the last chance," even if the crisis forces the government to go ahead and make its decisions.

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#90282d4640 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 9) - President Frederik de Klerk's visit to the United States last month had boosted South African business confidence, the South African Chamber of Business (SACOB) said here.

SACOB's Business Confidence Index (BCI) showed a significant increase to 94.2 from 91.8 in August, according to the BCI report released Monday.

The August figure was the lowest since February 1987 and the drop was attributed to a wave of black-on-black violence which saw nearly 800 people killed in townships around here since August 13.

SACOB said the reduction in violence and increased indications that South Africa's international isolation may soon be ended had contributed to increased

business confidence.

U.S. President George Bush said following his meeting with Mr. De Klerk in Washington on September 24 that the reform process in South Africa was "irreversible".

SACOB warned that the BCI may have overstated business confidence but that there seemed to have been a decline in the level of uncertainty prevalent in the business sector in the past weeks.

The Gulf crisis and increasing oil prices also fueled uncertainty, the report said.

"South Africa remains vulnerable to the dual evils of economic stagnation and rising prices that will accompany a doubling of the oil price," the report said.

Investment by foreign and local investors would continue to be limited due to lack of clarity over future economic policies, the report predicted.

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#90282d4650 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERNE (OCT. 9) - The annual Swiss inflation rate was unchanged at 6.1 percent in September, when consumer prices rose by 0.5 percent over the August level, the federal statistics office said Tuesday.

The price of oil products rose sharply with the price of heating oil rising by 6.9 percent, and that of petrol by 9.5 percent.

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#90282d4660 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (OCT. 9) - Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismat Abdul-Maguid concluded talks with Syrian Vice President Abdul-Halim Khaddam Tuesday, saying there was agreement on the Gulf crisis.

He demanded an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the restoration of the legitimate Kuwaiti government, adding that every effort had to be made to prevent the outbreak of war in the Gulf.

The foreign minister, who arrived here Sunday, added that he had a reply from Syrian President Hafez Assad to a message he had delivered from Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak.

He was due to return to Cairo later in the day.

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#90282d4680 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DARMSTADT, GERMANY (OCT. 9) - Two German men, detained in connection with illegal arms exports to Iraq, have for the first time admitted that they helped Iraq build chemical plants that can be used to make poison gas, a prosecutor announced here Tuesday.

Peter Leifer, former manager of the Hamburg-based Water Engineering Trading (W.E.T.), confessed that his firm delivered plants for military purposes, prosecutor Thomas Brand said.

Ewald Langer, an engineer with the now-defunct Pilot Plant company in Dreieich near Frankfurt, had confessed that his employer sent plants to Iraq that have already started making nerve gas.

Brand said Langer, who was arrested together with Leifer and five other suspects on August 17, had been released on bail since he was only a subordinate and not directly responsible for the exports. A second detained W.E.T. manager has also been released.

Under German export laws, exports of arms to countries at war or international trouble spots are illegal.

Brand said the other four detainees, who were also employed by either of the two firms, continued to deny that they had any knowledge of illegal arms exports to Iraq.

They maintained that the findings of an experts study were false, Brand said despite the fact that the report had produced water-tight evidence that the two firms' exports to Iraq were designed solely for military purposes.

The prosecution hopes that judicial investigations can be concluded before the end of the year to pave the way for a trial.

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#90282d5100 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (OCT. 9) - The Belgian national bank on Tuesday said it was lowering its short-term interest rates by 0.05 percent.

The fall took the rate on three-month Treasury certificates to 8.90 percent and that on one-month certificates to 8.85 percent.

It was the sixth cut in interest rates since the end of August, when the rate on three-month certificates stood at 9.15 percent.

The bank said the move was a result of the Belgian franc's strength on the exchange market.

The finance ministry had said in May when the franc was linked to the Deutsche mark that it intended to ease the cost of money on the Belgian market in a bid to reduce the state's debt servicing charges.

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#90282d5110 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (OCT. 9) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev is to attend the International Labor Conference here in June, a spokesman for the International Labour Office said Tuesday.

Mr. Gorbachev will be the first head of state from the Eastern bloc to participate in the annual meeting which groups government, labour and employer representatives from countries belonging to the International Labor Organization (ILO).

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#90282d5290 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

READING, ENGLAND (OCT. 9) - World snooker champion Stephen Hendry here today offered a 10,000 pound reward for the return of the snooker cue with which he won the title earlier this year.

The youngest winner of the world championship, at the age of 21, paid 40 pounds for the cue which disappeared from the practice ring at Reading's Ramada hotel Monday night.

"It's the only cue I've used since I was 13 and it's like losing an arm," he explained.

"I have got a spare cue, which I haven't used. To get used to a new cue takes months. I feel desperate."

The cue was stolen while the world's No 1 player, who deposed Steve Davis from the top of the world ranking list, was preparing for his third round appearance in the Rothman's Grand Prix on Thursday.

He left the practice ring to get a drink from the bar. When he returned, it had gone.

The reward was increased from 1,000 to 10,000 pounds by Hendry's manager Ian Doyle who said: "It was careless of Stephen to leave the cue unguarded, even for three minutes.

"Now we are just anxious to get it back. If it's not returned, it could have a major bearing on the snooker season."

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#90282d5390 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 9) - The hijacking of a Chinese airliner that ended with the death of more than 100 persons at Canton airport a week ago was the work of a 21-year-old man from the southern province of Hunan, Chinese aviation officials said Tuesday.

Jiang Xiaofeng reportedly threatened to blow up the Boeing 737 on its flight from Xiamen to Canton shortly after takeoff on October 2 and demanded to be flown to Taiwan.

Aviation officials quoted by the Xinhua news agency said the plane had been given permission to land at ''any airport, within or outside China's borders, including anywhere in Taiwan,'' but a shortage of fuel had forced the pilot to attempt an emergency landing at Canton airport.

The hijacker attacked the pilot as the plane taxied along the runway, Xinhua said, causing a collision with two other airliners on the apron. The ensuing explosion cost the lives of 128 people, including the hijacker and the pilot of his plane.

Jiang Xiaofeng, a purchasing agent for a state body in Hunan province, reportedly had stolen about 17 000 yuan from his employer and was wanted by the police. He had had a previous conviction for theft.

Foreign experts doubt the accuracy of the official Chinese version: they suspect the pilot was told to land at Canton and dupe the hijacker into believing he was in Taiwan.

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#90282d5400 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 9) - The Soviet Union is to introduce a new commercial rate for the ruble of around two rubles to the dollar, Soviet state bank president Viktor Geraschenko said Tuesday, a devaluation of almost 70 percent.

Mr. Geraschenko however refused to describe the move from a rate of 0.6 rubles to the dollar, a drop in value of 69.87 percent, as a devaluation, saying it was simply a "new rate" against the dollar to take effect January 1.

The measure, part of the country's moves from a planned to a market economy, will be taken by means of a presidential decree from Mikhail Gorbachev which is currently being drafted.

There are several official ruble exchange rates, but the commercial rate governs most trade deals.

The ruble is not a convertible currency, and Mr. Geraschenko acknowledged during a press conference that its official exchange rate did not reflect its true value.

A tourist rate for the ruble of six rubles to the dollar was introduced last year, but this is used only in banks for tourists bringing in foreign exchange.

On the black market the ruble's value ranges between 15 and 30 rubles to the dollar, and has been falling steadily in recent months.

The government has said it eventually plans to make the ruble convertible, but Soviet officials do not expect this to be possible before the turn of the century, when Soviet commodity prices should have reached world market levels.

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#90282d5430 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LOME (OCT. 9) - Faced with its most violent demonstrations in 30 years, the government has claimed there is an "international machination to destabilize Togo", but striking lawyers organizing a campaign for political change on Tuesday dismissed the plot allegation as "ridiculous".

The government first announced the plot publicly over state radio Monday, three days after four people were killed and 34 wounded in demonstrations in the capital sparked by the trial of two men accused of distributing anti-government tracts.

Interior Minister Yao Mawulkilima Ameyi said in an interview Sunday that 170 people -- including 92 foreigners of "various nationalities" -- had been arrested.

According to an official statement Monday, the plot was hatched by the same group of people who tried to overthrow President Gnassingbe Eyadema on September 23, 1986.

On that day, authorities said 16 people -- eight civilians and eight rebels -- were killed when a 60-man commando unit based in Ghana took to the streets of the capital.

"The acts of violence and vandalism" on Friday "were nothing more than the repetition in a different form of the terrorist aggression" in the 1986 scheme Monday's statement said.

The government said it first learned of the plot from Ivory Coast authorities September 20 who heard the confessions of a Beninese youth, the same man who revealed another plot to kill the Pope during his visit to the Ivorian political capital Yamoussoukro on September 10 to consecrate the world's biggest basilica.

Togolese authorities say the same group was responsible for the plots in 1986, last Friday and the plan to kill the Pope.

The government communique Monday said the coup attempt was led by a son of Sylvanus Olympio, the country's first president who was assassinated in January 1983 in a coup led by then Sergeant Eyadema.

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#90282d5470 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (OCT. 9) - Bangladesh was bracing for this year's onslaught of devastating storms, as 50 people were feared killed and hundreds missing Tuesday after the post-monsoon season's first killer storm and tidal waves.

"People should brace themselves to face two to three severe twisters during October and November, a period which we call break or post-monsoon season depressions," one meteorologist said, adding that these two months were the peak period for storms in Bangladesh.

Officials and newspaper reports said at least 50 fishermen were feared drowned off the coast as the storm struck late Monday, while some 500 boats with an estimated 5,000 fishermen on board were missing.

"I was rescued by a passing vessel, but 15 others with me drowned in the Bay of Bengal," said Mohammad Illyas, a fisherman in the southeastern beach resort town of Cox's Bazaar.

The pro-government Dainik Bangla newspaper quoted him as saying that he saw several other large fishing boats turn turtle as strong waves almost shattered the vessels.

Worst-hit were the islands of Sandwip, Hatiya and Urir Char, while the coastal districts of Bhola, Khulna, Cox's Bazaar and Patuakhali were submerged under three feet of sea water.

More than 20,000 people were rendered homeless as tidal waves and winds with a velocity of 60 kilometers (35 miles) per hour flattened houses as well as destroying standing crops.

The meteorologist explained that his office had warned fishermen to stay close to the coast or in safe havens until the weather improved, but many ignored these cautions.

"Many boats do not even carry radios and are in deep sea, and even after they are communicated about worsening weather its too late for them to reach safety " he said.

Local officials reached by telephone in Cox's Bazaar, Bhola and Sandwip spoke of widespread damage to property and crops, and said at least several hundred fishermen were missing.

Bangladesh, where natural disasters strike with depressing regularity, was hit by severe twisters during October and November in 1970, 1985 and 1988 which claimed several thousand lives.

In Swandip, officials said at least 500 homes were destroyed as well as a large quantity of crops after water flooded through a breach in an embankment protecting the area.

In the Tazimuddin sub-district of Bhola another embankment was breached by powerful tidal waves which destroyed many homes and flooded the area, officials said.

Flash floods caused by heavy rains in seven Bangladeshi districts have so far claimed 14 lives, while the death toll from floods since July stands at about 80.

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#90282d5500 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT ELIZABETH, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 9) - A new, multi-racial nationalism was needed in South Africa, Constitutional Affairs Minister Gerrit Viljoen on Tuesday told the party that entrenched the privileges of the Afrikaner people.

Mr. Viljoen told the Cape Province congress of the ruling National Party that a broader nationalism had to be cultivated.

He also said the current definition of groups of people was unacceptable as it was based on race, calling for a new formula.

The cornerstone of apartheid, the Population Registration Act, classifies people by race. He has said the act will be impossible to remove until the new constitution the government wants to negotiate with black leaders comes into effect

He said a bill of rights would have to be drafted to protect not only minority rights but also group rights such as language, culture and religion.

People who wanted to live in separate residential areas should still have the right to do so, even though there should be no law to enforce separation or exclude other people, he said.

It was not the government's policy to give any one group an advantage over another, he said.

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#90282d5540 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABIDJAN (OCT. 9) - A senior U.S. official has arrived here to meet parties involved in Liberia's bloody nine-month civil war, a U.S. Embassy spokesman said Tuesday.

Ambassador Donald Petterson, director of the State Department's Liberia Task Force, met with Ivory Coast President Felix Houphouet-Boigny after he arrived Monday at the start of a West African tour, the spokesman said, without disclosing what the two men discussed.

On Tuesday, Mr. Petterson went to the Ivory Coast's interior, presumably to meet with Mr. Taylor and representatives of his National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) near the country's border with Liberia.

The special envoy was to meet "with the parties to the conflict and leaders and officials of ECOWAS (Economic Community of West African States)," the official said.

Five ECOWAS countries -- Nigeria, Ghana, Guinea, the Gambia and Sierra Leone -- have staffed a 6,000-strong peacekeeping force which arrived in the Liberian capital Monrovia in August to impose a ceasefire.

Mr. Petterson's purpose was to "help Liberians find an end to the fighting" and "commence a process leading to a political solution ending in free and fair democratic elections," the official said.

Last month, Assistant U.S. Secretary of State Herman Cohen visited rival rebel leaders Charles Taylor and Prince Johnson in Liberia and travelled to several neighboring West African countries to discuss their involvement in the conflict.

In other developments, about 1,000 Ghanaians who fled the nine-month-old rebellion returned home Monday, bringing the total number of refugees evacuated to Ghana since the beginning of September to about 14,000, the Ghana News Agency said.

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#90282d5670 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (OCT. 9) - The ambassador of Kuwait's exiled government said here Tuesday he does not see any signs of Western countries backing down from their demand that Iraq must allow Kuwait's ruling family to return.

''The statements made by governments and the U.N. resolutions are clear and unambiguous,'' also in regard to a restoration of the legitimate government, Ambassador to Germany Khalid A.M. al-Babtin said in an interview with the

German Press Agenca dpa.

There could be no doubt that the demands being made on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein remain unchanged, the ambassaodor said. He was commenting on speculation that the United States and other countries would be prepared to lower their demands in order to achieve Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

It was perhaps ''not necessary to keep repeating something that is self-understood,'' he said.

The diplomat said he expected a quick rollback by the Iraqi army in the event of war because officers and men were badly motivated and did not believe that Iraq was fighting for a just cause.

''We have convincing reports that many members of the armed forces reject the occupation of Kuwait. The armed forces saw the war against Iran as a just one but they are not prepared to die for Kuwait.''

Al-Babtin underlined that Kuwaitis were united against the Iraqi occupation. He said Saddam had not convinced a single Kuwaiti to cooperate and that the opposition was also fully behind Kuwait's ruling family because it saw that form of government as a factor of stability.

He called for continued military pressure against Iraq while the search for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis continued. Saddam must be made to leave the stage because he represented a ''continuing threat'', the ambassador said.

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CATARMAN, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 9) - At least 21 people were killed and 29 wounded in a major communist guerrilla attack in the eastern island of Samar before dawn Tuesday, a military official said.

About 300 New People's Army (NPA) rebels attacked an army outpost outside this town and a paramilitary constabulary detachment in the nearby town of San Isidro, the military said.

Seven army men, three constables, seven guerrillas and four civilians were killed, while five people, including two constables were missing and believed kidnapped by the NPA, said Brigadier General Manuel Lanuza, the brigade commander of the army unit involved.

Twenty-nine civilians were wounded, including provincial official Glicerio Mondigo, whose house was torched by the rebels, police said.

The insurgents mined the road leading to the army detachment, manned by a platoon, delaying military reinforcements, they said.

An oil tanker of the state-owned Philippine National Oil Co. which was en route to Catarman when fighting broke out was diverted, military spokesman Brigadier General Emiliano Templo said in Manila.

Military helicopters were seen aloft here shortly after the attacks, apparently tracking down the raiders, witnesses said.

The NPA, the armed wing of the banned Communist Party of the Philippines, has been fighting the government for 21 years.

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#90282d5690 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (OCT. 9) - Zimbabwe's highest court Tuesday declared that sentences of "solitary confinement and spare diet" are "reminiscent of the dark ages" and a violation of the constitutional declaration of rights.

The latest decision by the supreme court, backed by the attorney general, follows a decision last year which banned corporal punishment as "inhuman and degrading."

Another test case, set for November, could scrap the death penalty.

Although courts may no longer sentence offenders to solitary confinement convicted prisoners may, for the time being, be given the punishment for internal disciplinary offences.

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#90282d5720 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 9) - Three people were killed and five injured when eight masked gangsters burst into a cooperative (private) cafe in Moscow opening fire on customers, Komsomolskaya Pravda newspaper reported here Tuesday.

The gangsters, who also used knives and clubs, escaped after the raid against the Vostok cafe Sunday evening, the paper said.

The motive for the attack was not immediately known, but racketering, especially of newly-set up private businesses, is becoming a major problem for police here.

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#90282d5740 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG (OCT. 9) - A senior official of the German Federal Intelligence Service (Bnd) arrested earlier this month on suspicion of espionage had access to ''decisions at the highest level of secrecy'', Hamburg-based Stern magazine

reported Tuesday.

Quoting security officials, the magazine said the suspected spy, a 47-year-old woman from the Munich area, made Guenter Guillaume look like a ''choir boy''. Guillaume, an agent of the now defunct East German State Security Service (Stasi), was former Chancellor Willy Brandt's personal advisor. He was exposed in 1974, shocking West Germany. Brandt was forced to resign.

The Federal Prosecutor's Office in Karlsruhe confirmed Tuesday that the case was serious. That's why an arrest warrant was issued on suspicion of ''a particularly grave case of treason'', it said.

According to Stern, the unidentified woman holds a doctorate in political science and worked in the analysis section of the Bnd's foreign intelligence department in Pullach, near Munich.

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#90282d5760 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 9) - The Soviet Union Tuesday called the shootings of Palestinians by Israeli security forces in Jerusalem on Monday a "crime" that would lead to a serious hardening of positions in the Middle East.

Soviet presidential spokesman Vitali Ignatenko, giving the first official Soviet reaction to the shootings, told a press briefing that the incident highlighted Soviet demands for "a major global effort" in the Middle East.

Twenty-one Palestinians were shot dead and about 100 injured when Israeli security forces fired on a crowd of protesting Palestinians on the Temple Mount in east Jerusalem -- a site considered holy by both Jews and Arabs.

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#90282d5770 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 9) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev will visit Germany next month, his spokesman Vitali Ignatenko confirmed here Tuesday. He also said Gorbachev would go to France in late October.

German sources said it was assumed that Gorbachev would arrive in Bonn in the first half of November to sign the just-concluded German-Soviet cooperation treaty, together with Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

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BEIJING (OCT. 9) - Chinese find their sex lives more fulfilling than ever, but women still expect their menfolk to take the initiative in bed, according to a new sex poll.

Of the 500 wives questioned in the survey, 19 percent still think it is "inappropriate for women to initiate sex", and only three percent are bold enough to make the first move, the poll says.

The findings were gleaned by two sociologists, Yang Huizhen and Gu Jianying, in the rural suburbs of Suzhou, a mid-sized city west of Shanghai often reputed to have the most beautiful women in China.

They were published in a Shanghai magazine, Society, and reported Tuesday in the official China Daily newspaper.

Seventy percent of couples who responded to the mail survey said they considered sexual intercourse as a physical and emotional need, and more than half indulged in sex once or twice a week.

An adventurous three percent "use different love-making positions" and 35 percent "experiment with a variety of positions at some time," according to China Daily's precis of the findings.

"Such changes have proved especially rewarding for older couples who need new romantic experiences to revitalize their sex life," it said.

And while many women thought their husbands could try to be more tender to them, 23 percent of the men said they felt angry when their wives turned down their sexual advances.

Some admitted to forcing their wives to have sex, the researchers said, bemoaning the lack of professional sex education in the countryside where nearly 80 percent of China's 1.1 billion people live.

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BONN (OCT. 9) - The German government Tuesday expressed ''deep dismay'' at the bloody clashes Monday on Jerusalem's Temple Mount and extreme regret at the loss of life. A statement issued by the Foreign Ministry here said the clashes and their consequences served to underline once more the urgency of finding a solution to the conflict in the Middle East.

The ruling Christian Democrats blamed Palestinian ''troublemakers and agents provocateurs'' for the unrest in which at least 22 Palestinians were shot dead by Israeli police after stones had been hurled at Jewish worshippers.

Michaela Geiger, the Christian Democratic spokesperson on foreign affairs, said the Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo) and the instigators of the Intifada had obviously planned the outbreak of violence for a long time in order to damage Israel's image and to distract attention from the gulf crisis.

''Unfortunately'' the police had helped achieve this by their tough reaction, Geiger said.

Klaus-Dieter Osswald, an Mp for the Social Democratic opposition, said the clashes were a result of Israel's ''iron fist'' policy.

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#90282d5980 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EINDHOVEN (OCT. 9) - Troubled Dutch electronics giant Philips on Tuesday said it was to axe 4,900 jobs in its information systems division as part of a sweeping reorganisation of its loss-making computer sector.

The information systems division currently employs 15,000 people, and the job losses would come mainly in Europe, Philips said in a statement.

About half the job cuts would come from a cut in the direct sales force in several countries and, given the numbers involved, "compulsory redundancies will be unavoidable," although these would be limited as far as possible.

Philips had announced last month that it would be axing 4,000 jobs in another loss-making sector, integrated circuits.

The company said in July that it would be cutting 10,000 jobs in its computer division, but did not give a detailed breakdown.

The job cuts announced Tuesday were designed to "support the ultimate objective of making its information systems division profitable," it said.

The division would in future concentrate on activities and market sectors where it had "a strong and sustainable position" such as providing products and services to banks, governments, insurance and travel organisations, and image-based office automation systems.

It said it would gradually decrease the development, production and sales of computers, except personal computers.

"The market for image-based office automation systems, using optical data storage, is undergoing rapid growth. Philips is the European market leader in this field," the group said.

It would also be concentrating on service and maintenance of hardware and software and would focus on the production of personal computer-based systems.

On possible cooperation with other companies, the statement said: "Philips still believes that it should first put its own house in order before pursuing alliances in the field of information systems."

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#90282d6020 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (OCT. 9) - Pakistan Tuesday condemned the Israeli army and extremist settlers for the ''brutal, inhuman and senseless orgy of violence'' in Jerusalem on Monday and called for international protest against the ''outrage''.

An official statement issued here said the international community should ''initiate appropriate actions to restrain Israel'', but did not elaborate.

Meanwhile the diplomatic mission of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo) in Islamabad said the intifada would continue despite Israeli brutalities.

It also criticised ''the double standard of the American policy'' while implementing different resolutions of the United Nations on Middle East conflicts.

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#90282d6060 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISTANBUL (OCT. 9) - General John Galvin, supreme commander of Allied Forces in Europe, said Tuesday that NATO would continue strengthening its southern flank where Turkey is sited -- the only NATO country to a border with Iraq.

Despite the trend toward reduced military spending in North Atlantic Treaty Organization states, programmes underway for the past few years would be pursued to improve infrastructure and "increase the quality of forces in the southern region", Gen. Galvin told a news conference here.

"Problem areas in the future could well be in the southern region", he added.

Since the Gulf crisis began two months ago, NATO officials have stressed the danger posed by instability in the region and proliferation of chemical and nuclear weapons in the Middle East.

The signing of the CFE (Conventional Forces in Europe) treaty to reduce conventional weapons would benefit NATO's southern region by allowing more modern weapons to be moved there, Gen. Galvin added.

He welcomed the "unprecedented show of unity" by NATO forces in the Gulf crisis, but said "several nations could do more".

Gen. Galvin was speaking after watching exercises in western Turkey being carried out as part of NATO's annual Display Determination maneuvers.

Asked about the 12 European Economic Community states' plans for closer cooperation in defense, he said he "would not oppose" EEC security policy "as long as it doesn't weaken the trans-Atlantic link, one of NATO's great strengths."

He added that "Europe by itself can't provide for itself the security that it needs" in the face of its "powerful neighbour", the Soviet Union.

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MAPUTO (OCT. 9) - Three people have died of cholera and another four have been diagnosed with the disease in Mozambique's capital city of Maputo, the official news agency AIM reported here Tuesday.

Health authorities attribute the epidemic to unhygienic conditions including the accumulation of garbage and stagnant water on city streets, the agency said.

Maputo is the fifth centre in the country to be hit in the past few months by the disease, which has claimed a total of 65 lives in that period.

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#90282d6440 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAHORE, PAKISTAN (OCT. 9) - Ousted premier Benazir Bhutto said here Tuesday that many "giants" would fall in the popular storm sweeping in favour of her Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) in the run-up to elections.

Addressing a press conference, Ms. Bhutto intensified attacks on President Ghulam Ishaq Khan asking him to "resign and leave in grace."

The president had rejected the verdict of the people by dissolving the provincial assemblies and dismissing the elected government on August 6, she said, adding that he would be "rejected by the people" at the October 24 polls.

If PPP wins the elections "I will not work with him... I do not want to create another deadlock," Ms. Bhutto said.

Ms. Bhutto was speaking after her appearance in a special court to answer charges of wrongfully allotting land for a hotel project to a firm owned by a relative, and of granting liquefied gas distribution rights to favorites.

As she drove from the heavily guarded Lahore high court after the proceedings, a small roadside group clashed with policemen at a point away from the court area.

The police fired tea gas shells and baton charged the pro-Bhutto demonstrators

after they hurled stones at the police, witnesses said.

Ms. Bhutto said the President was "vindictive" and his policy was causing the country losses running into millions of dollars.

Ms. Bhutto said the Islamic Democratic Alliance (IJI) government might try to have the elections postponed because "they are nervous."

The PPP leader, who has been campaigning feverishly in populous Punjab province, said she had noticed a "popular storm as strong as in the previous elections."

"Just as giant in 1988, the so-called giants are going to be falling now in 1990," she said, adding that her opponents were "seeing defeat in front of them."

In 1988 the current caretaker prime minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi and former prime minister Mohammed Khan Junejo, president of the IJI component Moslem League party, were defeated in Sindh.

They are now contesting constituencies in Punjab as well as Sindh.

"It is extremely important that elections are held on October 24 and the peoples verdict should be honoured and power transferred to the elected," Ms. Bhutto said.

"The interim government's attitude is absoutely scandalous," leader of Tehrik-e-Istiqlal party, former air force chief Asghar Khan said at the press conference.

"The president has thrown away his mask of neutrality and is busy in planning to rig elections," Mr. Khan, whose party is allied with the PPP, said.

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#90282d6520 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 9) - The parliament of the Russian Federation on Tuesday adopted a resolution calling for the application of a radical economic reform program from November 1, regardless of whether the federal government adopts similar measures for the country as a whole.

The move by the largest Soviet republic was aimed at putting pressure on Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to adopt similar measures, including wide-ranging denationalizations and greater regional autonomy, for all the republics.

Mr. Gorbachev is due to announce his own plans for economic reform on Monday.

The Russian parliament, chaired by reformist radical Boris Yeltsin, had adopted the "500-day" plan for transition to a market economy last month and the first reforms were initially due to come into effect on October 1.

But the Russian parliament's presidium delayed the implementation after the federal parliament failed to chose between various options for economic reform and asked Mr. Gorbachev to make a final decision on October 15.

The Russian parliament Tuesday approved the presidium's move, but voted to go ahead with its own reform plan on November 1 whatever Mr. Gorbachev's choice.

The deputies, who represent the largest and most powerful of the 15 Soviet republics, also asked the government to "take measures to defend Russian sovereignty".

Deputy premier Gennady Filshin notably suggested that measures could be taken to annul Mr. Gorbachev's recent decision to increase wholesale prices while keeping retail prices pegged at their present level.

The decision is expected to increase the Russian budget's deficit by 70 billion rubles (112 billion dollars at the official rate), Mr. Filshin said.

Russia might also consider banning the activity of certain federal ministries on its territory, he warned.

The parliament also called on Russians to support the "500-day programme", notably by renouncing strikes and respecting contracts during that period.

The appeal was carried by 165 votes to nine with 16 abstentions.

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#90282d6590 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) - President George Bush Tuesday said Israeli security forces that shot and killed 21 Palestinians Monday in putting down rioting in Jerusalem should have acted "with greater restraint."

But, speaking at a press conference, Mr. Bush said the violence at east Jerusalem's Temple Mount would not endanger the alliance of Arab nations facing off against Iraq.

Mr. Bush also said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein should not use "this unfortunate incident" to try to link the Iraqi seizure of Kuwait to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

Israeli security forces used live ammunition, tear gas and rubber bullets Monday to disperse Palestinians gathered on the Temple Mount in east Jerusalem as some of the demonstrators threw rocks at Jewish worshippers below the holy

compound. Twenty-one Palestinians were killed in the clashes.

"Israeli security forces need to be better prepared for such situations, need to act with greater restraint," Mr. Bush said. "Now, what is needed most of all is calm on both sides. We want to see the longstanding policy of open access to the holy places preserved."

Asked if the violence would damage the coalition of Arab nations opposing Iraq Mr. Bush said, "I don't think it could do that."

He added, "Let me express my strong feelings about this, my sorrow at this tragedy. It is particularly saddening because of the sanctity of the holy palaces. Violence shattered all this."

The Temple Mount compound, or Haram al-Sharif in Arabic, is the site of Islam's third-holiest site. It is also sacred to Jews.

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#90282d6620 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (OCT. 9) - Zambian authorities have cracked an ivory-smuggling ring and discovered illegal workshops here where tusks of elephants poached in Zambia and neighbouring Zimbabwe were processed, a senior official said Tuesday.

Seven people had been arrested and charged, including two police officers alleged to have transported tusks in police vehicles, said Paul Russell, head of the Species Protection Unit of the Anti-corruption Commission.

In recent weeks, the commission has placed advertisements on state-run television offering cash awards for information leading to the arrest of poachers.

"This has proved the best way of obtaining information," Mr. Russell said.

The two police officers, stationed in the tourist town of Siavonga near the Zimbabwean border, helped poachers transport elphant tusks to Lusaka in police vehicles.

Two other people arrested were said to have helped poachers cross the Kariba Dam which straddles the border.

The arrests led to the discovery of three ivory workshops in the capital, apparently run by dealers from Zaire, Mr. Russell said.

Ivory was partially processed, cut into small pieces and crudely fashioned to make it easier to export undetected.

In raids on the three factories located near the centre of Lusaka, police seized machinery, tusks and partially finished ivory products.

Mr. Russell said investigations were continuing into how the ivory was smuggled out. It is believed the semi-processed ivory was smuggled to Hong Kong, possibly via South Africa or Swaziland.

Conservationists in Zambia say elephant poaching is beginning to pick up after a lull following the international ban on the ivory trade a year ago.

Zambia has an elephant population numbering about 40,000 compared with an estimated 160,000 ten years ago.

The species protection unit was set in April with funds from the United States.

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#90282d6660 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT. 9) - Kenyan security forces have arrested a number of leading dissidents, including the founder of the banned Kenyan Patriotic Front (Kpf), former Mp koigi wa Wamwere, the government announced Tuesday.

The arrests took place on Monday morning. The secret police also detained two lawyers in Nairobi and Nakuru. It was not clear if these arrests were connected with the apprehension of Koigi's group.

Koigi, who was granted political asylum in Norway in 1986, and a number of his accomplices recently entered Kenya using false documents, planning to raid banks and businesses as well as instigating unrest, according to the government statement.

The clamp-down came only days before this Wednesday's ''Moi-Day''-celebrations commemorating the accession of President Daniel arap Moi 12 years ago.

In June 1989, Moi had promised the exiled dissidents freedom from prosecution if they returned to Kenya. Koigi spurned the amnesty offer.

The politician has twice before been kept in prison without trial. A brother of his was recently sentenced to a four-year prison term.

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#90282d6680 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (OCT. 9) - A magistrate's court hearing was convened on tuesday at the hospital bedside of a soldier of the Mozambican People's Militia who was accused of shooting three endangered black rhinos in Zimbabwe's Gona-Re-Zhou game reserve.

Although there have been numerous politically embarrassing reports in the past of infrequently paid Mozambican security force members crossing into Zimbabwe in search of food or loot, their forays have usually been acribed to the rebel Mozambican National Resistence (Renamo).

In the first case of its kind, Elias Johannes Baloyi was remanded under guard for shooting three rhinos, a buffalo and a leopard with an automatic rifle.

A companion reportedly escaped back over the border on September 25 after a gunbattle with the Zimbabwe army in which Baloyi was injured in the leg.

A Zimbabwean army captain, Edwin Nleya, was murdered last year after alleging that his superiors were involved in large-scale poaching and smuggling in Mozambique, where Zimbabwe has up to 10,000 troops deployed.

Zimbabwe's department of wildlife also announced on Monday that the latest gang of rhino poachers to cross the Zambezi river from Zambia had been eliminated in three "fierce shootouts."

Three were killed and one fatally wounded in the northwestern Hwange game reserve last month and two survivors of the gang were cornered after two gunbattles between the resort town of victoria falls and the botswana border.

Officials said they hoped Zambian-based poaching gangs would be deterred when word reached them that 34 poachers had been killed and 14 captured this year for the loss of 28 of Zimbabwe's 5,000 rhinos, the world's last major wild population of the species.

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#90282d6720 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 9) - Accor, one of the world's largest hotel groups, announced profits of 331 million French francs (63 million dollars) for the first half of 1990, 50 percent up on the same period last year, a group communique said Tuesday.

Together with exceptional profits, made up largely by the sale of the Hotel Sofitel-Invalides in Paris, total profits amount to 572.5 million francs (110 million dollars), compared with 243.5 million francs (46.8 million dollars) for the first six months of 1989.

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#90282d6780 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (OCT. 9) - President Kaunda of Zambia has appointed a commission to daft a new consitution that will paving the way for multiparty elections next year, a statement from the cabinet office said Tuesday.

The 22-member commission is to "examine and determine a system of pluralism that would ensure a government which would be strong enough to rule the Zambian nation and ensure the personal liberties of the people," the statement said.

Arthur Wina, chairman of the Movement for Multi-party Democracy (MMD), and his colleague Akashambatwa Lewanika, have been included on the commission.

The MMD has said it intends to form a broad-based opposition party to challenge Mr. Kaunda in general elections next year.

Other members include prominent lawyers, clergymen, leaders of the ruling party, businessmen and trade union officials.

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#90282d6800 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 9) - French economic growth slowed to 0.2 percent in the second quarter of 1990 after rising 0.6 percent during the first quarter, the French statistical office, INSEE, said Tuesday.

INSEE said household consumption also slowed, hitting 0.6 percent compared to 1.1 percent in the first quarter.

The purchasing power of households, however, rose at the same rate as in the previous quarter at 0.5 percent and the personal savings rate remained nearly stable at 12.7 percent, higher than the 1989 average.

Imports dropped 0.8 percent in volume in the second quarter, and exports were down 3.9 percent.

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#90282d6810 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LEIPZIG, Germany (OCT 9) - The German government is to allocate 671 million Deutsche marks (432 million dollars) for 36 projects aimed at reducing air pollution in the former territory of East Germany, junior environment minister Martin Gruener said here Tuesday.

The projects should reduce dust output from industry by about 45,000 tonnes a year and output of sulphur dioxide by 270,000 tonnes, Mr. Gruener said.

The schemes are part of an overall plan, scheduled to be unveiled in mid-November, aimed at cleaning the environment in the five Laender that joined the federal republic last week, he told ADN news agency.

A large portion of the funds will go toward building a 110-Megawatt power station near Leipzig, a water treatment plant at Dresden and sulphur scrubbers

at power plants near the southern cities of Thierbach and Schkopau, he said.

East Germany is widely considered by ecologists to be the most heavily-polluted area in eastern Europe, with catastrophic damage to rivers, forests and soil.

The region's nuclear power plants were shut down earlier this year for fear they could cause a Chernobyl-style disaster.

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#90282d6820 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (OCT. 9) - The Israeli secret service is operating on Danish territory illegally, Denmark's minister of justice said here Tuesday.

Danish authorities had previously denied the Mossad was operating in Denmark.

But Justice Minister Hans Engell and the head of police intelligence, Anne Bech Hansen, told a parliamentary committee Tuesday that Mossad was operating in Denmark, breaking a Danish law which prohibits any foreign secret service activity on its territory.

However, Mr. Egell and Mrs. Hansen refuted claims published by a former Mossad agent, Victor Ostrovsky, in his book "By Way of Deception."

In the book he claimed he had worked as a liaison officer at Danish secret service headquarters and in the Mossad's Danish department in Israel.

Mr. Ostrovsky also claimed that Denmark sent all visa requests from Arab citizens to Mossad headquarters in Tel Aviv for an opinion, and that Mossad tapped telephones and questioned Palestinians and Danes sympathetic to the Palestinian cause without the knowledge of Danish authorities.

Torben Lund, chairman of the parliamentary commission which controls the secret service, said the "revelations are worrying and intolerable."

He said it was unacceptable that "Mossad was operating freely on our territory and violating our laws."

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#90282d6830 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SRINAGAR, INDIA (OCT. 9) - Army troops enforced a round-the-clock curfew Tuesday in 12 police districts of Srinagar, summer capital of Indian Kashmir, as 15 people died in running street battles in the city, police said.

Some 125 houses in the city were burned in fires officially blamed on the militants, taking the total number of houses gutted by fire in the Kashmir

valley to nearly 1,000 in the last two days, the sources said.

Eleven people were killed in exchanges of gunfire between militants and security forces.

Police said four army troopers also were killed, but there was no official confirmation.

Elsewhere, militants killed four paramilitary Border Security Forces (BSF) men in an ambush overnight at Tanghdar, on Kashmir's border with Pakistan.

In an unprecedented move, the army rounded up hundreds of residents of Srinagar, including four journalists, and made them march at the head of a group of captured militants in a city suburb.

Journalists tried unsuccessfully to establish their identity with government-issued press cards.

The army was called in Sunday when street battles erupted between militants and paramilitary troopers and large fires broke out in the old city, sending hundreds of residents fleeing their homes.

Unconfirmed reports also said the army had raided a hospital in the city's Rainwari district overnight and taken a number of staff and patients into custody.

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#90282d6880 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 9) - Police in the nominally-independent homeland of Bophuthatswana said Tuesday they had detained at least 52 political activists at the weekend and might arrest more, the South African news agency SAPA said.

The arrests, at GaRankuwa black township, 20 kilometers (10 miles) west of Pretoria, and at Winterveld squatter camp, 20 kilometer north of the township, were part of a crackdown on so-called "people's courts", state-run radio said.

People's courts are often dominated by youths who, under the cloak of politics inflict brutal punishments like whippings, stonings and even death by the flaming tyre "necklace" on supposed wrong-doers.

African National Congress spokeswoman Gill Marcus Tuesday condemned the detention of ANC members in Bophuthatswana, whose beleaguered President Lucas Mangope is alone among the leaders of the four independent homelands in rejecting alignment with the ANC.

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#90282d6980 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT. 9) - The situation returned to normal in the Rwandan capital Kigali on Tuesday, except for numerous arrests of suspected subversives, while fighting was continuing in the northeast between government troops and rebels who attacked from Uganda on October 1, according to reports reaching Nairobi.

A relaxation of the round-the-clock curfew allowing daytime movement saw the city of 400,000 people resume almost all its normal bustle, with shops, banks, restaurants, government offices and some markets operating once more.

Buses and taxis were off the roads, however, with traffic movements still requiring defence ministry permission. The only obvious signs of the tension of the past few days were the armoured vehicles stationed at main crossroads and the constant identity checks being made by the army.

State radio monitored here in the Kenyan capital said the curfew had been cut back to run from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m.

It quoted foreign minister Casimir Bizimungu as saying that 500 suspects had been detained in Kigali. But Belgian TV on Tuesday showed film of an estimated l,500 people, including women and children, being held in Nyaminambo stadium, where they were short of food.

As diplomatic sources said fighting was continuing in the north-east, persistent rumours spoke of fresh concentrations of rebel Rwandan refugees passing at the Ugandan border to join the original insurgent force which the Kigali authorities have put at 10,000 armed men.

Dr. Bizimungu, speaking late Monday, said that figure could double or triple if recruitment among Rwandans in the Ugandan army continued.

About 200,000 refugees of the minority Tutsi tribe have settled in Uganda since massacres first carried out by the majority Hutu in 1959, and about 4,000 Tutsi joined the Ugandan army.

The minister said the aim of the rebels was to set up a "feudal minority regime", a reference to the old Tutsi aristocracy ruling Rwanda and neighbouring Burundi.

The Rwandan Patriotic Front, or Inkontanyi, which has reportedly joined the invasion, said it was open to the Hutu as well as the Tutsi and aimed to overthrow the "corrupt" regime of Major-General Juvenal Habyarimana, who took power in 1973.

The Front complained about the presence of Belgian, French and Zairean troops. The European soldiers have been sent to Kigali -- 480 Belgian, and 300 French -- to protect nationals and supervise their evacuation, while 500 crack presidential Zairean troops have been assigned specifically to support General

Habyarimana.

The French foreign ministry on Tuesday urged the 350 French citizens still in Rwanda to leave, saying a worsening of the situation was feared. Since the rebel attack, about 1,000 foreigners have been evacuated.

In Brussels, the coalition government met to review the situation in the former Belgian territory in eastern Africa, and several ministers voiced unease that Belgian troops were perhaps seen as lending respectability to the Kigali regime's tough crackdown on suspects.

"There is real embarrassment," a government source said. Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens told Rwandan ambassador Francois Ngarukiyintwali the government was "concerned" about the way the Rwandan authorities were enforcing law and order, an official communique said.

"Mr. Eyskens called him to order, and was very firm, in the name of the whole government," the government source elaborated.

The Belga news agency said Belgium's ambassador Johan Swinnen had asked the Kigali authorities for up-to-date information regarding human rights, including the exact number of prisoners, their visiting rights and respect for proper legal procedures.

The independent paper Le Soir reported Belgian paratroops were guarding strategic points like the airport, leaving the Rwandan army free to "take care of arrests, deportations to the stadiums and prisons, even executions".

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#90282d7080 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (OCT 9) - Barclays Bank plc on Tuesday became the first British bank to open an investment office in the former territory of East Germany and said it would launch a campaign to heighten British interest in investing there.

The head of the east Berlin-based business centre, Peter Storey, said the enterprise would chiefly seek to lend to medium- and large-sized eastern German companies involved with basic infrastructure, such as communications and industrial parks.

"We're looking for a credit volume of roughly 200 million (Deutsche) marks (129 million dollars) in the first year," he said.

Similar offices would open shortly in the east German cities of Weimar and Dresden, Barclays officials said.

A "roadshow" seeking to entice the British public to invest in the reconstruction programme through Barclays will be launched in December, and

pass through London, Birmingham, Bristol, Manchester and Leeds, he said.

Barclays' executive director for overseas operations, Humphrey Norrington, stressed the long-term gains in investing in the former territory of the German Democratic Republic.

But he warned that the All-German parliament had still to resolve "very severe problems," such as the ownership of land, and that east German firms had to learn fundamental accountancy rules and western management techniques.

Barclays last Friday announced it had purchased Merck, Fink und Co., one of Germany's largest private banks.

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#90282d7110 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ADDIS ABABA (OCT. 9) - Ethiopian Foreign Minister Tesfaye Dinka said Tuesday that the United States and the Soviet Union should help reactivate peace talks on ending the long-running civil war in northern Ethiopia, which were broken off at the beginning of the year.

Mr. Dinka told the Ethiopian News Agency (ENA) on return from the U.N. General Assembly in New York that he had briefed U.S. secretary of state James Baker and Soviet foreign minister Edouard Sheverdnadze on the deadlock to the peace process caused by Eritrean People's Liberation Front (EPLF) refusal to engage in negotiations.

He said he discussed with them possibilities of resuming the talks.

"These two world powers and others could contribute towards peace by helping to break the deadlock and resume negotiations", ENA quoted him as as saying.

At the end of two rounds of preliminary talks under the chairmanship of former U.S. president Jimmy Carter, the EPLF, fighting for independence for the Ethiopian Red Sea coastal province of Eritrea, overran the port of Massawa in February and subsequently said it would no longer return to the negotiating table.

The Ethiopian minister also said his meeting with Mr. Baker was an indication that Ethiopian-U.S. relations, which had been frosty for 10 years, were now improving.

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#90282d7180 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG (OCT 9) - Fear of a Gulf war has caused many tourists to cancel trips to Israel, Israeli Tourism Minister Gideon Patt said Tuesday.

Speaking at the congress of the American Society of Travel Agents (Asta) here, Patt said that in September, 27 per cent of all tours booked for Israel were cancelled. Although there were no accurate figures, even more trips were cancelled in October, he said.

Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

Patt called the killing of 22 Arab protestors on Jerusalem's Temple Mount by Israeli security forces on Monday ''a very unhappy accident''. On the whole, Israel was a peaceful country whose hotels would be full again after the end of the Gulf crisis, he added.

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#90282d7350 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (OCT. 9) - The director-general of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) said here Tuesday he had been assured that all proposals on farm subsidies will reach Geneva in time for next week's international trade talks.

The director-general, Arthur Dunkel, said that to date the only firm proposal on farm subsidies, the main stumbling block to agreement on the so-called Uruguay Round, had come from Japan.

Agriculture ministers of the 12 EEC nations on Monday postponed a decision to cut farm subsidies which were to be presented at the international trade talks in Geneva starting on October 15.

The EEC ministers said they would meet again on October 16 to discuss the proposals by the Community's executive commission that by 1996 the EEC should cut subsidies to farmers by 30 per cent of the 1986 level.

Mr. Dunkel, however, told a press conference that he had received assurances that all proposals will arrive in time for the the start of the crucial trade talks on October 15.

He said that the assurances were made by the respective heads of delegations who attended a preparatory meeting here Tuesday for the Uruguay Round negotiations.

Mr. Dunkel added that all sides in Geneva wanted to reach a draft agreement to present to the ministerial meeting in Brussels December 3-7 which was tasked with finalising the Uruguay Round.

Last week, the president of the group which will negotiate on agriculture, Aart de Zeeuw, said that he was seriously concerned about the trade talks because of delays in hammering out farm subsidy proposals.

In Luxembourg on Monday, EEC ministers and the EEC Commission disagreed on the size of cuts to be negotiated.

This was seen by negotiators here as a bad omen for the opening of talks between the EEC and the United States, which is demanding that state aid be cut by 70 per cent.

In private, GATT officials note that the EEC is not the only participant to have caused delays.

They fear increasingly that the negotiations will develop a crisis atmosphere which would prejudice attainment of the objectives laid down when the Uruguay Round was launched in Punte del Este in Uruguay in 1986.

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#90282d7380 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (OCT. 9) - The Colombian Justice Ministry Tuesday rejected a U.S. extradition request for a suspected cocaine trafficker, saying Washington filed its petition three days late.

A ministry statement said the suspect, Salomon Shourter Benitez, was still being held by police on orders of a Colombian judge in the Caribbean coastal city of Barranquilla, where he faces charges of forgery and fraud.

Mr. Shourter Benitez was arrested July 26, and under a U.S.-Colombian extradition treaty, Washington had until August 24 to formally demand he be turned over to face drug trafficking charges in the United States.

The Justice Ministry said the U.S. request was not filed until August 27, and so was rejected.

President Cesar Gaviria recently announced that drug traffickers who turned themselves in would not face extradition to the United States, although there was no immediate evidence that the case of Mr. Shourter Benitez had been affected by this order.

Colombia resumed extraditions of suspected drug kingpins to the United States late last year following the assassination by suspected drug traffickers of leading presidential hopeful Luis Carlos Galan.

The resumption of extradition sparked protests from some Colombians, including national legislators, who fear their national sovereignty is being compromised to help fight the U.S. war on drugs.

Extradition has proved a powerful weapon against leaders of the wealthy and influential drug mafia who have been able to routinely blackmail and bribe their way out of Colombian prisons.

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#90282d7390 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT 9) - A one-million-pound banknote that was legal tender for just five weeks in 1948 brought 23,100 pounds (45,500 dollars) at auction here Tuesday.

The note was one of only eight printed for funds used in the Marshall Plan, set up by the United States to revive European economies after World War II.

Six notes were destroyed and the seventh was sold in Australia in 1977 for a mere 8,371 pounds (14,000 dollars).

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#90282d7490 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (OCT. 9) - Radical Palestinian leader Abul Abbas on Tuesday vowed to strike "swiftly and sharply" in response to what he called U.S.-supported Israeli terrorism.

Mr. Abbas said in a statement received here that his Palestine Liberation Front (PLF) would answer "Zionist terrorism and U.S.-encouraged state terrorism ... in all places."

He warned that the PLF response to Monday's killing of 21 Palestinians by Israeli police in east Jerusalem would be "swift and sharp."

"The abject massacre ... will not prevent us from pursuing the armed struggle and stepping up our fight against the enemy by hitting his bases and forces of aggression everywhere," he said.

The PLF claimed responsibility for an attempted Palestinian commando landing on the Israeli coast last May 30, which was to have been in retaliation for the murders of seven Palestinian workers by a lone Israeli gunman near Tel Aviv.

Mr. Abbas on Tuesday said it was for "world opinion to determine who are the real terrorists and to see how the U.S. administration covers its crimes, massacres and scorn for international resolutions."

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#90282d7580 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (OCT. 9) - Indian security forces Tuesday shot dead a Sikh militant in Punjab after 19 people were killed in the northern state overnight, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

The 19 included 10 militants and four security troopers, PTI said.

It said the Sikh man, Jaspal Singh, a hardcore militant wanted for about 100 murders, was killed in a gunfight in Punjab's Ropar district.

Punjab's Director-General of Police, K.P.S. Gill, was quoted by PTI as saying Mr. Jaspal Singh was second-in-command of the Khalistan Liberation Force, a militant force campaigning for a separate state in Punjab.

The militants shot dead three paramilitary troopers at Hotian in Punjab's Amritsar district. A police constable, Nirmal Singh, and an unidentified militant died in a gunfight.

Village leader Virsa Singh was gunned down by militants in Batala district. Another five militants were killed in fighting with security forces at four places elsewhere in the state, the agency said.

Police found six bullet-riddled bodies of militants in the state's Majitha, Faridkot and Amritsar districts. PTI said the police believed they were killed in factional fights overnight.

Indian forces also shot dead two unidentifed men when they illegally tried to enter India through the border from Pakistan, PTI said.

India accuses Pakistan of giving military aid to Sikh militants, a charge rejected by Islamabad. Some 2,000 people have died in separatist-linked violence in Punjab so far this year.

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#90282d7680 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (OCT. 9) - Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir warned Tuesday that Israel would refuse a visit to the occupied territories by representatives of the United Nations Security Council.

Yemen, backed by France, proposed on Monday a three-member Security Council mission to the West Bank and Gaza Strip to investigate the killing by Israeli police of 21 Palestinians during disturbances in east Jerusalem.

The proposal came during consultations among Council members at U.N. headquarters in New York.

"Israel will not accept a mission from the Security Council," Mr. Shamir said in remarks reported by Israeli radio, adding that he hoped such a decision would not be taken by the Council.

Mr. Shamir also dismissed a statement Tuesday from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that Iraq possessed a new missile capable of striking Israel.

"Saddam Hussein wants to drag us into the Gulf crisis so that he can transform it into an Iraqi-Israeli conflict," Mr. Shamir said. "We will not help him with such a plan."

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#90282d7770 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (OCT. 9) - The Arab League Tuesday called on the world community to ''foil'' Israeli government dreams of expansionism and establish ''a Greater Israel at the cost of Arab areas''.

It said in a statement in reaction to Monday's fatal shooting of 22 Palestinians by Israeli police in annexed East Jerusalem that the internationalcommunity should pressure Israel to pull out of the territories it occupies.

Strong measures should be taken to safeguard Palestinian civilians, it said.

The Chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo), Yassir Arafat, asked King Hassan Ii of Morocco to call for an emergency meeting of the Islamic Conference Organisations's Al-Qods (Jerusalem) Comittee which he heads.

Faruk Kaddumi, the head of the Plo's political department, handed over to the ambassadors of Britain, France and Italy in Tunis a letter asking for a U.N. Security Council investigation committee to be sent to the Israeli-occupied territories, the Palestinian news agency Wafa reported.

-30- 1201

#90282d7850 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUXEMBOURG (OCT. 9) - Implementation of the ambitious plan to create a single market among the 12 nations of the European Economic Community (EEC) could be delayed by the slow pace of enabling legislation in member countries, Italy warned here Tuesday.

Italy holds the current presidency of the EEC until the end of the year.

Its minister of European affairs, Pier Luigi Romita, told a press conference here that the European Parliament needed to accelerate procedures necessary for the installation of a single economic market on January 1, 1993.

He said the EEC members have adopted only a little more than half the 279 laws necessary to create a market without frontiers among the 12 EEC members, and only 20 of these laws had been passed by each of the 12 countries.

"I am worried about the consequences of this delay for economic unity," Mr. Romita said, adding that he intended to propose a loosening of internal EEC procedures to speed up the legislative work.

Mr. Romita was speaking after the monthly meeting of EEC ministers charged with European affairs. It lasted only three hours, because so few legislative projects were sufficiently advanced to be discussed.

He lamented the fact that the ministers knew already of topics, due to be discussed at next month's meeting, that would have to be postponed because the European parliament had not yet examined them.

These were three proposals to liberalise the sale of medicines and one on biotechnological patents, he said.

Diplomatic sources say the European parliament has a waiting list of about 200 pieces of legislation.

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#90282d7870 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) - Iraqi forces have taken three more Americans hostage in Kuwait, bringing the total number of Americans held by Iraq to at least 104, the State Department said Tuesday.

Two of the Americans were seen Sunday at the Melia-Mansour Hotel in Baghdad and the third was taken to the Regency Hotel in Kuwait, State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said.

Bagdad has not provided a list of those it has taken into custody, nor has it responded to U.S. demands for the evacuation of 69 Americans who need emergency medical care, she added.

But some 400 Americans, mostly women and children, and members of their families were expected to be evacuated Wednesday from Iraq and Kuwait on Boeing 747 chartered by the U.S. Government.

The flight leaves Bassorah, Iraq, and will stop over in London before heading on to Raleigh, North Carolina, Miss Tutwiler said.

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#90282d7990 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (OCT. 9) - Tens of thousands of people poured into the streets of Baghdad Tuesday night calling for holy war against Israel and denouncing the killing by Israeli police of 21 Palestinians during riots in east Jerusalem.

Iraqi authorities earlier in the day had called for demonstrations, both in Iraq and throughout the Arab world, to show solidarity with Palestinians living under Israeli occupation.

In Baghdad, demonstrators called for the liberation of "Israeli-occupied Palestine" through jihad, or holy war.

They carried banners pledging that "the crime of the Al-Aqsa mosque will not go unpunished."

Israeli police opened fire on Palestinian stone-throwers near the Dome of the Rock and the Al-Aqsa mosques, both revered Islamic shrines, in east Jerusalem on Monday.

Demonstrators chanted "the stone is the symbol of Iraqi and Palestinian strength," alluding to a Palestinian uprising in the occupied territories in which Arab youths have hurled stones at Israeli troops.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein earlier Tuesday announced that Iraq had developed a new missile, which he named Al-Hijara (Arabic for stone), that could reach Israel.

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#90282d8050 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT. 9) - Police Minister Ronnie Milo will name an independent commission to investigate the killings by Israeli police of 21 Palestinians during disturbances here Monday, an official disclosed Tuesday.

Mr. Milo decided to abolish a police investigating team that he himself had named earlier in the day because he feared that its conclusions would not be accepted as impartial, the official added.

"He has taken into consideration the feelings of Israeli Arabs and, with the support of Prime Minister (Yitzhak) Shamir, will soon name an independent commission of inquiry," the source said.

The Israeli press and much of the political community here has sharply criticized the police for failing to foresee or prevent the disturbances near the Islamic and Jewish shrines that triggered the killings.

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#90282d8180 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LYONS, FRANCE (OCT. 9) - Youths set fire to a bar and a store in a shopping center in Vaulx-en-Velin Tuesday, as disturbances rocked the immigrant suburb of Lyons for the fourth straight night, police said.

Police said the unrest was short-lived, unlike the previous nights, as residents formed a human chain to protect firemen who put out the fires.

The trouble began Saturday night after a man was killed in a motorcycle

accident that protestors said was caused by police blocking the vehicle's path.

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#90282d8470 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SANTIAGO (OCT 9) - Police stormed a foreign exchange dealership here Tuesday and arrested five gunmen shortly after they released five hostages they had held for seven hours.

None of the hostages was harmed, although unconfirmed reports indicated one of the holdup men was killed during the police attack.

Police said one gunman was arrested earlier in the day when they surprised the robbers as they were trying to flee with 16,000 dollars they had stolen from the establishment, located on the eigth floor of an office building.

During the siege, six employees were held hostage as the gunmen demanded to be flown to Cuba, police said.

One of the hostages was released three hours after the police siege began.

It was the first time a holdup in Chile had turned into a hostage incident, police said.

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#90282d8570 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MEXICO CITY, (OCT 9) - Mexican police have made their biggest drug bust to date, confiscating almost six tonnes of cocaine valued on the street at more than eight billion dollars, it was announced Tuesday.

Attorney General Enrique Alvarez said police made the seizure at the Mexican-Guatemalan border Saturday after a shoot-out with suspects at a hidden airstrip.

The suspects escaped but police found the 5.8 tonnes of pure cocaine, which was sealed in 172 bags and several large cans, as well as weapons.

Mr. Alvarez said Mexican authorities were tipped off two months ago about large sales of cocaine -- which authorities said came from the Colombian Medellin cartel -- in Guatemala.

Police set up a special special patrol to watch for smugglers handling that cocaine, which was destined for the United States, Mr. Alvarez said.

He said the seizure was the largest yet in Mexico.

In almost two years, Mexican authorities have seized almost 70 tonnes of

cocaine.

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#90282d8620 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (OCT 9) - U.N. Security Council members Tuesday took up U.S. and Yemeni resolutions on Monday's bloody clashes in Jerusalem, diplomats said.

Israeli police opened fire, killing 21 Palestinians and injuring some 150 others, after a group of Jews worshipping at the Wailing Wall were showered with stones, officials said.

The U.S version condemns the violence and what it terms an excessive Israeli response, and calls for U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to send a delegation to Jerusalem to probe the incident, diplomats said.

Yemen's proposal -- presented on behalf of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) -- calls on the Security Council to carry out the investigation.

The United States, which according to diplomatic sources had threatened to veto the Yemeni draft resolution, met with the four other permanent members of the Security Council to discuss its own resolution.

The permanent members, with veto rights, are Britain, China, France, the United States and the Soviet Union. The council is also made up of 10 rotating members.

PLO U.N. representative Zuhdi Labib Terzi said the U.S. proposal made no sense because "it denies the council the right to take action."

Diplomatic sources expected the Security Council to vote on one of the resolution later Tuesday.

Chinese Ambassador Li Daoyu said he had reservations on the U.S. draft resolution.

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#90282d9200 10/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 10) - Hungary's International Economic Relations Minister Bela Kadar, here on visit, has called for Japan to step up economic cooperation with his country to help it out of an economic plight, the Japanese press reported Wednesday.

Mr. Kadar made the call in a meeting with Japanese reporters at the Japan National Press Club Tuesday, saying that "Japan and Hungary have much greater

potential to expand economic cooperation as good partners."

He arrived here Monday for talks with Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto and other officials on economic relations between the two countries.

Referring to the worsening economic plight in his country, Mr. Kadar said Hungary's exports to former east European communist allies fell 33 per cent in the first nine months of this year.

Hungary has also been hit by the surge of oil prices triggered by the Gulf crisis.

He said Hungary was making every effort to switch its semicentralized planned economy into a full-fledged market-oriented economy to induce investment by Japan and other industrial countries.

Hungary also intends to privatize national assets equivalent to 1.3 billion-1.8 billion dollars over the next 18 months, he said.

Mr. Kadar said Hungary will also liberalize imports of more than 90 per cent of the goods it buys from abroad by the end of 1992.

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#90282e0020 10/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (OCT. 9) EFE - Police have arrested a Peruvian who tried to smuggle half a kilo of cocaine hidden in his intestines into Spain, authorities said Tuesday.

Carlos Alberto Paredes Silva, 52, arrived at Madrid's Barajas airport on a flight from South America at the weekend and was searched by custom officials.

When an x-ray revealed strange objects in his intestines, he was taken to a Madrid hospital where he defecated 130 balls of cocaine.

Spain is regarded as the main gateway for smuggling South American cocaine into Europe and last year Spanish police seized 1.8 tons of the drug, double the amount captured in France.

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#90282e0021 10/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Moscow (OCT. 9) EFE - The Supreme Soviet overcame major stumbling blocks Tuesday and passed a party law that opens the way for political pluralism in the country.

Last week, the Supreme Soviet, or parliament, passed most of the articles to the law, which recognizes political parties as legal as long as they follow

the constitution.

But voting on the final draft was delayed as lawmakers debated removing the Army's and other security organizations' political structure.

They decided that, +The military and workers in security bodies should steer there activities in accordance to the law and cannot be subordinate to the decisions of the parties or public organizations to which they belong.+

They also said that each party must have a minimum of 5,000 members, they must be financed by their members and are not allowed to receive funds from outside the Soviet Union.

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#90282e0025 10/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

TEHRAN (OCT. 9) EFE - Iran Tuesday urged the United Nations to intervene to protect Arabs in the Israeli-occupied territories in response to the +horrible crime+ committed by Israeli police in killing some 24 Palestinians in East Jerusalem.

A Foreign Ministry statement broadcast on Radio Tehran denounced +energetically the horrible crime committed Monday by the Zionist regime+ and urged the United Nations Security Council to "put pressure on the Zionist regime to end the genocide of Palestinians".

According to Arab sources, the some 24 Palestinians shot dead Monday by Israeli police were protesting attempts by Jewish extremists to lay the foundations of a temple on an Islamic holy site in East Jerusalem.

The Iranian statement said Israel had taken advantage of the Gulf conflict and the presence of a U.S.-led international force in the area in response to Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait +to arrogantly carry out crimes of such a nature+.

"The 'intifada' continues to be the first concern of the Islamic world and no problem should eclipse the Palestinian problem," the statement added, referring to the 34-month popular uprising by Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories in which more than 1,000 Arabs have died.

The Security Council adjourned Monday without reaching a decision on a request by the Palestine Liberation Organization for the U.N. to step in to protect Palestinians in the West Bank, Gaza Strip and East Jerusalem areas occupied by Israel.

"The Security Council should not concern itself only with the rights of people when the interests of the superpowers are in play," the statement added.

The United States has been a prime force behind a series of U.N. sanctions against Iraq in response to its invasion of Kuwait.

The statement also called on "all Moslems to free the territories occupied by Israel".

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has offered to withdraw from Kuwait in exchange for an Israeli pullout from the Occupied Territories.

Saddam warned Israel Tuesday that it had long-range missiles capable of reaching its territory.

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#90282e0033 10/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SANTIAGO (OCT. 9) EFE - The Chilean government is to sell off its remaining 22 percent stake in the LAN CHILE airline, a minister said Tuesday.

The vice president of the Corporation of Public Works (CORFO), Rene Abeliuk, who is also a minister in President Patricio Aylwin's government, said CORFO was ready to go ahead with the privatization "at any moment" and that other minority stakes would also be sold off.

The sell-off was part of the government's policy to offload "all that is dispensible" and he added that other government minority shares would also be sold.

Abeliuk said that further privatizations had not yet been approved by the government, but three categories had been drawn up in principle.

They were companies which would remain wholly under state control, those where it planned to retain a 51 to 70 per cent share, and those that could be completely privatized.

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#90282e0041 10/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 9) - The Soviet Union Tuesday condemned the killing of 21 Palestinians by Israeli security forces the previous day and called for a United Nations mission to be sent to Jerusalem to investigate.

The Soviet Foreign Ministry said the U.N. should show the same unanimity in its approach as it has shown in relation to the Iraqi aggression against Kuwait.

The U.N. Security Council passed a series of resolutions against Baghdad for its invasion of Kuwait in August.

The action by Israeli police, who claimed to have moved in to stop Palestinians stoning Jews at Jerusalem's Wailing Wall, aggravated the current Middle East crisis, the ministry said.

It also put more obstacles in the way of finding a political solution to the Arab-Israeli conflict, the ministry statement said.

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#90282h0014 10/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (OCT. 8) XINHUA - DURING THE VISIT OF MEXICAN PRESIDENT CARLOS SALINAS DE GORTARI, THE GOVERNMENTS OF ARGENTINA AND MEXICO SIGNED TODAY A SERIES OF BILATERAL AGREEMENTS.

IN A JOINT COMMUNIQUE, SALINAS AND HIS ARGENTINE COUNTERPART CARLOS SAUL MENEM STRESSED THE NEED TO "INTENSIFY LATIN AMERICAN INTEGRATION EFFORTS".

AN ACCORD ON ANIMAL SANITATION AND A BILATERAL UNDERSTANDING AGREEMENT WERE SIGNED DURING A CEREMONY HELD IN THE WHITE HALL AND PRESIDED BY THE TWO HEADS OF STATE.

THE HEAD OF THE ARGENTINE NATIONAL GRAINS GROUP, GUILLERMO MORE DE LA SERNA AND MEXICAN TRADE SECRETARY JAIME SERRA PUCHE SIGNED A LETTER OF INTENTION ON THE SUPPLY OF AGRICULTURAL AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS FROM ARGENTINA TO MEXICO IN THE PRESENCE OF THE TWO PRESIDENTS.

ANOTHER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MEXICAN PETROLEUM COMPANY (PEMEX) AND ARGENTINA'S STATE-OWNED PETROLEUM FIELDS (YPF) ON THE STUDY OF BILATERAL EXCHANGES IN THE HYDROCARBONS SECTOR WAS SIGNED BY PEMEX HEAD FRANCISCO ROJAS GUTIERREZ AND YPF SUPERVISOR JOSE ESTENSSORO.

MEXICO'S FOREIGN MINISTER FERNANDO SOLANA AND ARGENTINA'S AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FISHING UNDERSECRETARY FELIPE SOLA SIGNED AN INTERINSTITUTIONAL ACCORD ON THE TRANSFER OF PENSIONS BETWEEN ARGENTINA AND MEXICO AND ANOTHER AGREEMENT ON THE TRANSFER OF "SENTENCED NATIONALS AND THE COMPLIANCE WITH PENAL SENTENCES".

AFTER HIS TWO-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT, PRESIDENT SALINAS IS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE ARGENTINA THIS AFTERNOON FOR URUGUAY, THE NEXT STOP OF HIS LATIN AMERICAN TOUR BEFORE PROCEEDING TO BRAZIL, HONDURAS AND BOLIVIA.

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#90282h0028 10/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 9) XINHUA - THE PETROLEUM AUTHORITY OF THAILAND'S EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION CO. (PATEP) HAS SIGNED A PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT WITH UNOCAL MYANMAR LTD. TO EXPLORE FOR AND PRODUCE PETROLEUM IN THE BLOCK F CONCESSION IN MYANMAR.

ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL NEWS BULLETIN RECEIVED HERE, THE PATEP HAS FORMED A FIRM CALLED PATEP (MYANMAR) TO BE IN CHARGE OF THE JOINT PETROLEUM EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION IN MYANMAR.

THE BULLETIN SAID THE PROJECT IS AIMED TO SEARCH FOR AND PRODUCE PETROLEUM IN A 6,200 SQUARE KILOMETER TRACT.

IF EXPLORATION SHOWS THAT THE SITE HAS THE POTENTIAL TO SUPPLY A HUGE OIL SOURCE, THE OIL OPERATION WILL BEGIN IN 1994, WITH AN INVESTMENT OF 60 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR THE INITIAL SURVEY DURING THE FIRST THREE YEARS, IT ADDED.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT, PATEP HOLDS 10 PERCENT OF THE JOINT INVESTMENT WITH UNOCAL MYANMAR HOLDING 60 PERCENT AND PETRO CANADA 30 PERCENT.

THE BULLETIN NOTED THAT THE PROJECT IS IN LINE WITH THE POLICIES OF BOTH GOVERNMENTS TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND TRADE AND INVESTMENT EXPANSION. MOREOVER, IT WILL ALSO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL PETROLEUM SOURCE FOR THAILAND.

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#90282h0035 10/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WARSAW (OCT. 8) XINHUA - FORMER POLISH MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS MIROSLAW MILEWSKI AND FOUR OTHER FORMER SENIOR OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY HAVE BEEN ARRESTED ON CHARGES OF STEALING A LARGE SUM OF STATE PROPERTIES.

MARIA GRABSKA-TACZANOWSKA, A SPOKEWOMAN FOR THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE OF THE JUSTICE MINISTRY, ANNOUNCED THE ARREST TO THE LOCAL PRESS THIS AFTERNOON.

SUGGESTED BY THE NATIONAL DEFENSE BUREAU, SHE SAID, THE JUSTICE MINISTRY RECENTLY CITED SEVEN SUSPECTS, AMONG WHOM ARE FIVE FORMER SENIOR OFFICIALS OF THE INTERIOR MINISTRY, INCLUDING MILEWSKI. THEY WERE CHARGED OF STEALING A LARGE SUM OF STATE PROPERTIES AND TEMPORARILY ARRESTED, SHE ADDED.

THE SEVEN SUSPECTS WERE INVOLVED IN ACTIVITIES TO STEAL GOLD FROM THE NATIONAL TREASURY, SAID A POLISH TELEVISION STATION REPORTER WHO WAS INFORMED BY RELIABLE SOURCES.

MILEWSKI, 62, A POLITBURO MEMBER AND CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBER OF THE FORMER POLISH UNITED WORKERS' PARTY, HAD BEEN DEPUTY MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS SINCE 1971. IN OCTOBER 1980, HE BECAME THE INTERIOR MINISTER AND WAS DISMISSED FROM THE POSITION IN AUGUST 1981.

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#90282h0036 10/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (OCT. 9) XINHUA - THE FUND FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE

ORGANIZATION OF PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES (OPEC) HAS AGREED TO PROVIDE PAKISTAN WITH A LOAN OF 9 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR ITS ESTABLISHMENT OF A 520-BED HOSPITAL IN PESHAWAR, CAPITAL OF NORTHWEST FRONTIER PROVINCE.

ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL REPORT HERE TODAY, THE AGREEMENT TO THIS EFFECT WAS SIGNED IN ISLAMABAD MONDAY BY OSAMA FAQUIH, CHAIRMAN OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE OPEC FUND AND DEPUTY MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION OF SAUDI ARABIA, AND R.A. AKHUND, FINANCE SECRETARY OF PAKISTAN.

THIS IS THE 12TH LOAN TO BE EXTENDED BY THE OPEC FUND TO PAKISTAN. IT BRINGS THE FUND'S TOTAL LENDING TO PAKISTAN TO 136.8 MILLION DOLLARS, THE REPORT SAID.

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#90282h0041 10/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 9) XINHUA - THE UNITED STATES REMAINS THE LARGEST MARKET FOR THAI EXPORTS, WITH THE EXPORT VALUE ANTICIPATED TO REACH 63.5 BILLION BAHT (2.54 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) THIS YEAR, AN INCREASE OF 24 PERCENT, ACCORDING TO A REPORT OF THE THAI FOREIGN TRADE DEPARTMENT.

THE TOTAL TURNOVER OF THAI EXPORT FOR THE FIRST 6 MONTHS OF THIS YEAR WAS 290 BILLION BAHT (11.6 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS), WITH AN INCREASE OF 16 PERCENT. THE INCREASE RATE HAS CONSIDERABLY SLOWED DOWN AS COMPARED TO THE 36 PERCENT INCREASE ACHIEVED DURING THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, SAID THE REPORT.

MAJOR MARKETS FOR THAI PRODUCTS ARE THE UNITED STATES, JAPAN, THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, AND ASEAN, ALTOGETHER ACCOUNTED FOR 206 BILLION BAHT (8.24 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) WORTH OF EXPORTS, OR 70 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL EXPORT VALUE, AN INCREASE OF ABOUT 20 PERCENT, ACCORDING TO THE REPORT.

THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN IMPORTING COMPUTERS AND COMPONENTS, ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS, GARMENTS AND SHOES FROM THAILAND.

THAILAND HAS ENJOYED A TRADE SURPLUS OF 17.5 BILLION BAHT (0.7 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) WITH THE UNITED STATES DURING THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR.

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#90282h0059 10/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (OCT. 9) XINHUA - SOUTH AFRICAN AIRWAYS (SAA) HAS DECIDED TO INTRODUCE A WEEKLY FLIGHT TO NAIROBI, KENYA, FROM DECEMBER 1, THIS YEAR, "THE CITIZEN" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA REPORTED TODAY. THE SAA DECISION FOLLOWED DISCUSSIONS HELD BETWEEN THE SAA AND KENYA AIRWAYS RECENTLY.

THE FLIGHT WILL BE OPERATED BY AN AIRBUS A300 EVERY SATUR- DAY BETWEEN THE JAN SMUTS AIRPORT OF SOUTH AFRICA AND THE KENYAN CAPITAL NAIROBI.

KENYA AIRWAYS WILL OPERATE REGULAR WEDNESDAY FLIGHT STARTING FROM DECEMBER 5.

THE NEWSPAPER QUOTED SAA CHIEF EXECUTIVE, MR. GERT VAN DER VEER, AS SAYING THAT THE NEW FLIGHTS BETWEEN SOUTH AFRICA AND KENYA COULD BE SEEN AS "A FURTHER STEP ON THE ROAD TO THE NORMALI- SATION OF RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SOUTH AFRICA AND OTHER AFRICAN COUNTRIES".

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#90282k0038 10/09/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 9) KYODO - MITSUBISHI RAYON CO. PLANS TO RAISE PRICES FOR ACRYLIC FIBERS IN NOVEMBER DUE TO THE SURGE IN CRUDE OIL PRICES AND HIGHER LABOR COSTS COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

BUT THEY SAID THE MARGIN OF THE PRICE HIKE IS STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION BECAUSE OF LARGE PRICE FLUCTUATIONS FOR NAPHTHA, A CRUDE OIL BYPRODUCT USED IN MAKING ACRYLIC FIBERS.

AMONG OTHER SYNTHETIC FIBER MAKERS, TEIJIN LTD. HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS TO RAISE PRICES FOR POLYETHYLENE FIBERS BY 10 TO 20 YEN PER KILOGRAM FOR OCTOBER-DECEMBER SHIPMENTS.

INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID IT TAKES TIME FOR A PRICE HIKE IN ACRYLIC FIBERS AND OTHER SYNTHETIC FIBERS TO BE REFLECTED IN TEXTILE PRODUCTS BECAUSE OF THE MULTILAYERED PROCESS OF PRODUCTION.

THE FIBER PRICE INCREASES CURRENTLY BEING PLANNED WOULD BE FELT IN FALL AND WINTER CLOTHING PRICES NEXT YEAR, THEY SAID.

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NAGOYA (OCT. 9) KYODO - TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. PLANS TO HIRE A RECORD 4,020 NEW RECRUITS, INCLUDING 1,443 WOMEN, IN FISCAL 1991, ACCORDING TO TENTATIVE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENTS CONCLUDED AS OF OCTOBER 1, IT SAID TUESDAY. THE COMPANY SAID IT IS HIRING 440 MORE PEOPLE THAN THIS YEAR TO MEET LONG-TERM GOALS SUCH AS DIVERSIFICATION AT ITS FACTORIES IN JAPAN AND ABROAD AND TO SUSTAIN ITS CORPORATE VITALITY.

TOYOTA SAID IT IS HIRING ABOUT 870 UNIVERSITY GRADUATES, OF WHOM 120 ARE WOMEN. ENGINEERS ACCOUNT FOR 570 OF THE UNIVERSITY GRADUATES WHILE THE OTHER 300 WILL BE ASSIGNED TO ADMINISTRATION.

TOYOTA IS ALSO HIRING 1,750 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES, INCLUDING 650 WOMEN, ALONG WITH 600 JUNIOR COLLEGE GRADUATES AND 150 VOCATIONAL SCHOOL GRADUATES.

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#90282k0075 10/09/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 9) KYODO - CHASE MANHATTAN CORP. ON TUESDAY CATEGORICALLY DENIED A KYODO NEWS SERVICE REPORT LAST WEEK THAT IT IS CONSIDERING THE TERMINATION OF ITS SECURITIES BUSINESS IN JAPAN.

CHASE MANHATTAN'S TOKYO BRANCH SAID THAT IT HAS NO PLANS TO WITHDRAW OR SCALE DOWN ITS SECURITIES OPERATIONS IN JAPAN.

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#90282k0077 10/09/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 9) KYODO - THE DAI-ICHI KANGYO BANK LTD. HAS REVISED UPWARD ITS PROJECTIONS OF GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP) GROWTH FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1991, DESPITE THE GULF CRISIS, BANK OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

THE BANK FORECASTS GROWTH FOR FISCAL 1990 AT 5.6 PERCENT, UP FROM A JULY PROJECTION OF 4.6 PERCENT, THEY SAID.

THE OFFICIALS ATTRIBUTED THE UPWARD REVISION TO CONTINUED GROWTH IN INDIVIDUAL CONSUMPTION AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT.

THE JAPANESE COMMERCIAL BANK, HOWEVER, HAS DROPPED ITS PROJECTIONS FOR GROWTH IN FISCAL 1991 TO 3.6 PERCENT, THEY SAID, BECAUSE THE EFFECTS OF HIGHER INTEREST RATES AND PLUMMETING STOCK PRICES WILL RESTRICT COMPANY EARNINGS AND LIQUIDITY AND SLOW DOWN THEIR CAPITAL INVESTMENT.

THE BANK'S PREDICTIONS ARE BASED ON AN AVERAGE YEN/DOLLAR RATE OF 142 YEN FOR FISCAL 1990 AND OF 131 YEN FOR 1991, AND AN OIL PRICE OF 22.8 DOLLARS PER BARREL THIS YEAR AND 25 DOLLARS PER BARREL IN 1991.

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#90282k0093 10/09/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (OCT. 9) KYODO - THE OPENING OF THE MULTIBILLION-DOLLAR NEW KANSAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, NOW BEING BUILT ON A MAN-MADE ISLAND IN OSAKA BAY IN WESTERN JAPAN, IS LIKELY TO BE DELAYED BY SIX MONTHS TO A YEAR, AIRPORT COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

IT WAS ORIGINALLY SLATED TO OPEN IN MARCH 1993. THE OFFICIALS OF KANSAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CO. BLAMED THE DELAY ON FAILURE TO RESOLVE A LONG-STANDING DISPUTE WITH U.S. COMPANIES SEEKING AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS. THEY SAID THE DISPUTE HAS MADE IT DIFFICULT FOR THEM TO PLACE FORMAL ORDERS AS QUICKLY AS THEY HAD PLANNED.

THE DISPUTE WITH THE U.S. INTENSIFIED IN JULY WHEN A U.S. COMPANY LOST ITS BID TO BUILD A GROUND TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FOR THE NATION'S FIRST 24-HOUR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

THE CONTRACT FOR THE "PEOPLE-MOVER" SYSTEM, VALUED AT 40 MILLION DOLLARS TO 45

MILLION DOLLARS, WAS AWARDED TO A LESS-EXPERIENCED JAPANESE FIRM.

THE AIRPORT HAS BEEN THE CENTER OF A MAJOR TRADE DISPUTE BETWEEN THE U.S. AND JAPAN FOR MORE THAN THREE YEARS SINCE THE U.S. FILED A COMPLAINT THAT COMPANY COLLUSION AND "NONTRANSPARENT" BIDDING PROCEDURES WERE UNFAIRLY BLOCKING FOREIGN FIRMS' ACCESS TO THE JAPANESE CONSTRUCTION MARKET.

THE TWO NATIONS SIGNED AN ACCORD IN 1988 TO FACILITATE FOREIGN ENTRY INTO JAPAN'S CONSTRUCTION MARKET AND A NUMBER OF AMERICAN FIRMS HAVE WON BUILDING CONTRACTS SINCE THEN, BUT U.S. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS COMPLAIN THAT BID-RIGGING CONTINUES IN JAPAN.

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#90282k0097 10/09/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

COLUMBUS, INDIANA (OCT. 9) KYODO - TOYOTA AUTOMATIC LOOM WORKS LTD. WILL LAUNCH FULL-SCALE PRODUCTION OF FORKLIFTS IN COLUMBUS, INDIANA, IN A MOVE TO ALLAY POSSIBLE ADVERSE IMPACT STEMMING FROM A HIGHER YEN, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

THE NEW COMPANY, TOYOTA INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT MFG. INC., SET UP JOINTLY WITH TOYOTA MOTOR CORP., WILL PRODUCE 5,000 FORKLIFTS ANNUALLY AFTER REACHING FULL-CAPACITY OPERATION NEXT YEAR, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE EXTRA CAPACITY OF THE COMPANY'S JAPANESE FACTORY RELEASED BY SUCH U.S. PRODUCTION WILL BE ALLOCATED TO MEET A BRISK JAPANESE DEMAND FOR INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY, THEY SAID.

THE MOVE IS ALSO EXPECTED TO DIFFUSE CRITICISM FROM COMPETITORS IN THE U.S. OVER A SURGE IN EXPORTS FROM JAPAN.

THE OPENING CEREMONY FOR THE NEW FACTORY WAS HELD TUESDAY IN COLUMBUS, WITH SOME 350 PEOPLE, INCLUDING PRESIDENT YOSHITOSHI TOYODA, ATTENDING THE GATHERING.

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#90282m0001 10/09/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 9) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stock markets are trading lower today. ... In London, the FTSE is off more than 46 points in midday trading. ... The NIKKEI drops 135 points. ... U.S. stocks overseas ate unchanged to slightly lower. falls to $39.45. ... The HOUSE and SENATE reach agreement on an emergency spending bill and PRESIDENT

BUSH says he will sign the measure which allows the government to continue operating until Oct. 19. During this time Congress will flesh out a deficit reduction package outline which was also approved yesterday. ... CONTINENTAL AIRLINES has ordered 25 BOEING 757 jets and taken options on 25 more. ... MOTOROLA says it has settled a long-running patent dispute with HITACHI.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The FEDERAL RESERVE is scheduled to release its report on consumer installment credit today. ... PHILIPS N.V. is developing a digital tape recorder that will also be able to play conventional analog cassette tapes.

FROM THE BEARS:

"We are allocating minimum exposure to stocks," says STEVEN APPLEDORN of SWANSON CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. "There is a bad undertone to the market with a predisposition to sell." He says there is the possibility of a "severe break" in the market. He says better earnings and a budget deal would make him more interested in stocks. ("Investor's Daily", 10/9)

EDWARD KERSCHNER, chairman of PAINEWEBBER's investment policy committee, says continued pressures on corporate earnings over the next few quarters could sink the Dow Jones Industrial Average to as low as 2000. (WSJ, 10/9)

STOCK MARKET:

MR. PHIL RETTEW, a market specialist for MERRILL LYNCH, says the market will probably "saw-tooth" higher for one or two months until the Dow reaches its peak in the 2650 to 2750 range. "After this rally, [the market] is going down again to a lower low." He adds that the next slide will make the July-September decline "look like a walk in the park." (WSJ, 10/9)

"At this point there is a limited upside to the market," says MICHAEL BENSON of LEHMAN BROS. But he says there is "enough cash around that the downside is also limited." (FNN "World Business Update", 10/9)

"The markets assume that we will get a [budget] deal ... it's not sure what that deal will be," says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. He says the market "senses" that the Fed will ease, but that a deal will have to be worked out before any action is taken. Without that deal and subsequent easing, "All we can see is a rally in a bear market," according to Acuff. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/8)

"The market's trying to price in this emerging 'doom and gloom' story on the U.S. economy," says SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS analyst LISA FINSTROM. "We're waiting for lower interest rates, and we're waiting on the budget for that." ("Nightly Business Report", 10/8)

"The lack of volume made the day inconclusive," says LARRY WACHTEL of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. "Our market responded to the gains overseas, but a rise in oil prices during the day and a general malaise caused stocks to drift lower." ("Investor's Daily", 10/9)

A study done by analyst DOUGLAS LOEFFLER, in the San Francisco office of SCUDDER, STEVENS & CLARK, shows that both new highs and new lows tend to underperform the market. One year after a stock appears on the new-highs list it is likely to have performed five percentage points worse than the market. New lows tend to lag behind the market by more than 13 percentage points. (WSJ, 10/9)

STOCK TIPS:

"I'm feeling very discouraged about what potentially awaits other [insurance] companies," says GLORIA VOGEL at BEAR, STEARNS & CO. "This is a national problem." TRAVELERS shares have fallen more than 6 to 14 3/8 in two days after the company forecast a huge quarterly loss because of real estate problems. UDAYAN GHOSE at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS has a sell rating on Travelers and has cut his 1991 earnings forecast for AETNA. Despite problems in the insurance industry as a whole, Vogel recommends buying AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL GROUP and MARSH & McLENNAN. Some other analyst picks: CHUBB, GENERAL RE, LINCOLN NATIONAL and CAPITAL HOLDING. ("USA Today", 10/9)

In trying to identify stocks that will withstand the widely predicted recession, analysts are looking to the '81-'82 downturn as a guideline. "HERSHEY, if anything, is better-positioned than" in the prior recession, says MICHAEL WARSHAWSKY of SWISS BANK CORP. He points out that the company has sold the cyclical FRIENDLY ICE CREAM CORP. Shares of PEP BOYS auto parts and service gained 30% in the last recession, and PROVIDENT NATIONAL BANK analyst JOHN FRANCK says the company is well positioned for this round of economic problems. "If the recession is not tremendously severe, Pep Boys will come through unscathed," says Franck. ("Investor's Daily", 10/9)

The cash content and the overall value of the Union led bid for UAL has been slightly lowered, lessening the chances it will be accepted. "Of course, with it being lower, it wouldn't be as appealing to the board," says DAVID PIZZAMENTI of NOMURA SECURITIES. The original bid was over $300 per share, whereas this most recent offer may be as low as $150 per share. "The economics for UNITED AIRLINES have turned down, the economics have changed dramatically for the banks and therefore the difficulty in getting a deal like this done has probably gone up substantially," explains RICHARD BOVE of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/8)

UAL "is a $150-a-share stock on its own merits," says KEVIN MURPHY, an analyst with MORGAN STANLEY & COMPANY. He adds that UAL should trade at that level when the industry enters a better period, with strong earnings that the airline has shown in good times. "I don't see why the board would accept an

offer that emasculates the balance sheet." (NYT, 10/9)

"The stocks I like are kind of in the middle ground. They're not broken down badly, but they're well off their highs," says G. KENNETH HEEBNER, portfolio manager at CAPITAL GROWTH MANAGEMENT. Among his current favorites are the pharmaceutical concern SYNTEX and retailer MERRY-GO-ROUND ENTERPRISES. (WSJ, 10/9)

WESSELS, ARNOLD & HENDERSON analyst PETER SCHLEIDER has lowered his earnings estimate for software developer PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY, but says the fundamentals remain strong. "We think the stock's a strong 'buy' and continue to think the company is in a premier position in design automation," says Schleider. ("Investor's Daily", 10/9)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 9) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"The only thing left supporting the dollar is the possibility of military confrontation in the Mideast," says DAVID GILMORE, senior foreign exchange analyst at McCARTHY, CRISANTI & MAFFEI. (WSJ, 10/9)

Yesterday's currency market was "lackluster," according to TIMOTHY BARTON of HARRIS TRUST & CO. He says technical factors and the weak economy have depressed the dollar. ("Investor's Daily", 10/9)

"You can see the world's lack of confidence in our budget-making process with the dollar being down as much as it is," says TIMOTHY CLARK, a stock market analyst at AVATAR ASSOCIATES. (WSJ, 10/9)

"Although we have what we call a budget accord, the real problem with the dollar is the deficit," says MICHAEL BENSON of LEHMAN BROS. "Until we really make some headway on the deficit, I don't think there'll be too much confidence in the dollar." (FNN "World Business Update", 10/9)

"The central banks have learned that intervention really doesn't work," when trying to support the dollar, says DONALD GOULD of HUNTINGTON ADVISERS. "The only way to support your currency, ultimately, is through higher interest rates." He says with the U.S. teetering on the brink of recession, a hike in rates is unlikely. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/8)

NICHOLAS SARGEN, international fixed-income analyst at SALOMON BROTHERS, says the dollar will be under pressure regardless of how the budget logjam is

resolved. "If you don't get something, there's a loss of confidence," he says. "If you do get something, the Federal Reserve eases interest rates." (WSJ, 10/9)

MERRILL LYNCH financial economist DAVID HORNER says the biggest improvement in the most recent budget compromise "is that this one passed." He says reconciliation between the House and Senate bills, which must be completed by mid-October, entails "a tremendous amount of work." He says the resolution will probably lead to a Fed easing. (CNBC "World Business", 10/9)

THE ECONOMY:

Business incorporations declined 3.1% in 1990's first seven months, following a 1.1% drop for all of 1989 according to a report issued by DUN & BRADSTREET. Unease about the economy, financing problems, a tight labor market and rising oil prices are being blamed. "What we're really seeing is a poor environment for entrepreneurism," says DOUGLAS HANDLER, a Dun & Bradstreet economist. (WSJ, 10/9)

"If the dollar does hit some new lows, that's one way to get ourselves out of a recession," says EMORY UNIVERSITY international economics professor JEFFREY ROSENSWEIG. "I hope the Fed doesn't cut off our head [by raising rates] to support the dollar." ("Investor's Daily", 10/9)

IN WASHINGTON:

"If this is the best [budget deal] they can do, it certainly reflects poorly on the competence and guts of Congress," says MURRAY WEIDENBAUM, who was chairman of the COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS under President Reagan. "Everyone is fed up," says GAIL WINSLOW, vice chairman at FERRIS & CO. "We won't know what the bottom line will be until [Congress] is done erasing, making changes and adding all their little goodies." DAVID HALE, chief economist at KEMPER FINANCIAL SERVICES, finds the budget situation "bleak." "We won't know the final outcome for some time, but it looks like there will be a downhill slide in quality from the first deal.." ("USA Today", 10/9)

The current budget compromise being discussed in Washington "is worse than last week's deal," says JOHN ENDEAN of the AMERICAN BUSINESS CONFERENCE. "It means less spending control, higher taxes, probably on business and a lack of enforceability long-term." But Senate Majority leader GEORGE MITCHELL (D. - Maine) says, "Failure to adopt this resolution will continue and deepen the crisis which already exists."(FNN "Marketwrap", 10/8)

"We will not know what's going to happen to the budget until after the election," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "There will be a lame duck session. There is no way the appropriations

committee will appropriate before Election Day, so I just think we're in a stupendous psychological mess." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/8)

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#90282p2559 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

RIVERTON, Wyo. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Metro Cable Corp. (NASDAQ: METO) today announced it has signed a Letter of Intent to purchase certain royalty interests in the Madden Deep Unit located in the Wind River Basin of Wyoming and considered one of the largest natural gas reservoirs in North America. Robert E. Thrailkill, Metro's president, said the "purchase will also include other royalty interests outside the Madden Deep Unit. Upon satisfactory completion of our due diligence, we expect to close no later than Oct. 31, 1990."

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#90282p2579 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

OYSTER BAY, NY (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Acclaim Entertainment, Inc. (NASDAQ: AKLM) today reported a 56 percent increase in net income for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990, representing its third consecutive record fiscal year.

Net income for the year was $14.2 million, or $0.77 per share, as compared to $9.1 million or $0.54 per share for the previous fiscal year. Net sales were $141.5 million, up 105 percent from the $69.1 million recorded last year.

"Our 1990 fiscal year results represent quite an achievement," says Gregory E. Fischbach, chairman and chief executive officer of Acclaim. "Revenues once again surpassed our expectations and margins remained healthy in a year that included the acquisition of LJN Toys, Ltd. and the subsequent disposition of its promotional toy lines, expansion of our overall operations, increases in direct marketing, and the sourcing of our own computer chips."

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, net income was $4.7 million or $0.25 per share as compared to $3.1 million or $0.18 per share for the same period in 1989. Net sales for the quarter totaled $43.4 million, up 74 percent from the previous year.

During fiscal 1990, Acclaim purchased LJN Toys, Ltd. from MCA, and subsequently streamlined and repositioned the LJN line of Nintendo software products while divesting itself of the majority of LJN's less profitable toys lines. Acclaim also entered Nintendo's(R) Game Boy(TM) compact video system software market with three new titles under the Acclaim and LJN labels, in addition to introducing several new video games for the Nintendo Entertainment System (NES)(R), a new line of SuperPlay hand-held electronic video games and a dual wireless remote controller system. In addition, the company commenced

distribution of its products in Mexico, and established subsidiaries in Europe and Canada to support its increased growth overseas.

"With the anticipated release of Game Boy, SuperPlay Hand-held and NES video games based on 'The Simpsons,' one of the hottest licenses on the market, plus several other key licenses in our title lineup, we're extremely excited about Acclaim's outlook for the coming year," Fischbach added.

Acclaim Entertainment, Inc. is a leading publisher, marketer and distributor of home entertainment products under the Acclaim and LJN labels. These include Nintendo Entertainment System software, Nintendo Game Boy compact video system software, wireless remote controllers and hand-held electronic video games.

ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT, INC.
Summary of Operations
(Unaudited)
(In 000's except per share data)

Periods Ended	Fourth Quarter		12 Months	
Aug. 31	1989	1990	1989	1990
Net sales	$24,973	$43,357	$69,077	$141,470
Gross profit	12,546	20,510	35,879	66,093
Income before taxes	5,153	7,482	14,970	23,117
Net income	3,082	4,662	9,137	14,232
Net inc. per com. shr. and com. share equivalent	0.18	0.25	0.54	0.77
Weighted average shares outstanding			17,060,000	18,507,000

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#90282p2583 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOCA RATON, FLA. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Office Depot Inc. (NASDAQ: ODEP) announced today that its sales and earnings have increased significantly during the third quarter and first nine months of 1990, compared with its 1989 results.

For the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, sales increased to $165,315,000 from $83,421,000 in 1989 while operating profits increased to $4,274,000 from 1989 levels of $1,827,000. Net earnings increased 67 percent to $2,545,000 ($.16 per share) from $1,623,000 ($.10 per share) in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990 sales increased to $444,711,000 from $210,747,000 in 1989 while operating profits increased to $11,106,000 in 1990 from 1989 levels of $5,445,000. Net earnings increased to $7,027,000 from

$4,839,000 in 1989. In the first nine months of 1989, net earnings included an extraordinary credit of $532,000 relating to utilization of net operating loss carryforwards.

During the third quarter, comparable store sales increases were 14 percent for the 50 stores which have been open for more than one year. Comparable store sales have been affected by the large number of new stores opened in existing markets.

The company's store expansion program continued in the third quarter with the opening of 14 new stores, including stores in new markets of Durham, N.C., Baltimore, Pittsburgh, and Milwaukee. As of Sept. 29, 1990, Office Depot operated 103 stores in 19 states. On Oct. 8, 1990, the company opened 3 additional stores. Management anticipates that Office Depot will have approximately 120 stores in operation by the end of 1990.

During the third quarter, Thomas Daniel joined the company's senior management as vice president, merchandise and general merchandise manager. Prior to joining Office Depot, Daniel was senior vice president of Merchandising for Pace Membership Warehouse in Denver, Colo.

Office Depot Inc. operates Americas largest chain of large volume office supply stores that sell first-quality brand name office products primarily to small and medium-size businesses.

OFFICE DEPOT INC.
STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS
(UNAUDITED)
(In Thousands, except per share amounts)

13 weeks ended	9/29/90	9/30/89
Sales	$165,315	$ 83,421
Cost of goods sold and occupancy costs	125,879	63,236
Gross profit	39,436	20,185
Store operating and selling expenses	29,326	14,040
Pre-opening expenses	1,152	937
General and admin. expenses	4,684	3,381
Total	35,162	18,358
Operating profit	4,274	1,827
Other income (expense)		
Interest income	20	858
Interest expense	(154)	(52)
Total	(134)	806
Earnings before income taxes and extraordinary credit	4,140	2,633
Income taxes	1,595	1,010

Earnings before extraordinary credit	2,545	1,623
Extraordinary credit	--	--
Net earnings	$ 2,545	$ 1,623
Earnings per common and common equiv. share		
Earnings before extraordinary credit	$ 0.16	$ 0.10
Extraordinary credit	--	--
Net earnings	$ 0.16	$ 0.10
Avg. common and common equivalent shares	16,150	15,655
39 weeks ended	9/29/90	9/30/89
Sales	$444,711	$210,747
Cost of goods sold and occupancy costs	339,092	159,333
Gross profit	105,619	51,414
Store operating and selling expenses	77,050	35,277
Pre-opening expenses	3,423	2,100
General and admin. expenses	14,040	8,592
Total	94,513	45,969
Operating profit	11,106	5,445
Other income (expense)		
Interest income	546	1,661
Interest expense	(237)	(147)
Total	309	1,514
Earnings before income taxes and extraordinary credit	11,415	6,959
Income taxes	4,388	2,652
Earnings before extraordinary credit	7,027	4,307
Extraordinary credit	--	532
Net earnings	$ 7,027	$ 4,839
Earnings per common and common equiv. share		
Earnings before extraordinary credit	$ 0.44	$ 0.30
Extraordinary credit	--	0.03
Net earnings	$ 0.44	$ 0.33
Avg. common and common equivalent shares	16,142	14,571

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#90282p2584 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - BP, ARCO, Exxon, Phillips, Mobil and Chevron, principal owners of the Prudhoe Bay oil field in Alaska, America's largest producing field, announced today a plan to invest over $1 billion in additional gas handling facilities on Alaska's North Slope.

The additional gas handling facilities are expected to increase Prudhoe Bay liquids production by some 100,000 barrels a days starting in 1995, and will result in the recovery of additional liquids in the range of 330-450 million barrels over the life of the field.

Commenting on the new investment, Chairmen Robert Horton of BP and Lodwrick M. Cook of ARCO said, "At a time of American concern about long-term oil supplies this project will make a welcome contribution and shows Alaska's potential to add significant domestic reserves. We will continue to work together as a team to develop the nation's largest oil field. The benefits will fall to Alaskans and all other Americans as well as to the Prudhoe Bay owners."

The field's two operators, BP Exploration Alaska and ARCO Alaska, Inc. also agreed to undertake a joint review of operations to reduce operating costs by sharing common services and other cooperative efforts to increase operating efficiency.

Finally, the principal owners resolved other issues between gas interests and oil interests which had arisen as a result of the original operating agreement. Resolving these issues paves the way for future field development projects which could further add to the field's ultimate recoveries.

The gas facilities handle gas that is lifted with the oil from the Prudhoe Bay field and reinject it into the reservoir. This latest project will increase the field's gas handling rate to an average of 7.5 billion cubic feet per day. Other benefits from the project include the production of more miscible gas which will allow expansion of the existing enhanced oil recovery project.

The Prudhoe Bay Working Interest Owners comprise BP, ARCO, Exxon, Mobil, Phillips, Chevron, Marathon, Amerada Hess, Louisiana Land and Exploration, Texaco and Shell.

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#90282p2588 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Wyse Technology, the world's leading general-purpose terminal manufacturer, today entered the X Window terminal market with a high-performance network terminal. To further strengthen its position in the UNIX environment, Wyse also announced a new line of UNIX-based

multiuser systems with X support.

The company's new high-performance network terminal, the WY-X5, offers features customers have come to expect of Wyse, including superior performance display technology, connectivity and advanced ergonomics. It is the first product co-developed by engineers from Wyse's UNIX-based advanced systems and terminal business units, and according to market analysts sets a new price point in the X terminal market.

"Wyse is the leader in almost every segment of the terminal market. Our experience in displays, as well as our expertise in UNIX software, position the company to be a leader in X," said Arthur Lipton, Wyse's senior vice president and general manager of terminal business. Wyse Offers Full Range of UNIX Systems

The new UNIX product line announced today, the Series 7000i, strengthens the mid-range of Wyse's advanced systems product family. It complements Wyse's low-end Series 5000i and the high-end Series 9000i, giving the company a full range of UNIX-based systems. Wyse introduced the first in the series, the Model 740, today with additional models planned for 1991.

The Series 7000i Model 740 brings True Symmetric Multiprocessing (TSMP), first used in minicomputers, to a new entry-level price point of less than $18,000. Because it is based on TSMP, the system gives users the full processing power of each additional central processing unit (CPU). Benchmark studies performed by AIM Technology, a leading UNIX systems performance measurement company, have shown that Wyse's implementation of TSMP offers superior performance at prices significantly lower than competitive systems.

The Series 7000i architecture will support one to four 33MHz and 50MHz i486 microprocessors. The Model 740's single i486 CPU configuration can handle up to 64 active users. It can be configured for UNIX multiuser environments or as a server on an Ethernet local area network or act as a host for X client applications. Pricing and Availability

The WY-X5 has a suggested list price of $1,799 including mouse and keyboard. It will be available in the first quarter of calendar year 1991. Wyse will distribute the WY-X5 through original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) and qualified UNIX resellers, including those currently selling Wyse's advanced systems.

The Series 7000i Model 740 will ship in December 1990 with a single 33MHz i486 CPU, supporting up to three Intel i486 CPUs by mid-1991. The Model 740 ranges in end user prices from $17,500 to $31,450 in typical configurations. The Series 7000i will be sold exclusively through Wyse's indirect channels of distribution.

Wyse Technology is a leading independent supplier of microprocessor- based

products, which include terminals, IBM PC-compatible computers, monitors and multiuser systems. The company sells its products through customers that add value, such as distributors, value added resellers and original equipment manufacturers. Headquartered in San Jose, Wyse operates sales offices across the United States and in Canada, Australia, Hong Kong and Western Europe.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - American Health Properties Inc.. (NYSE: AHE) announced today that it has completed a private placement of $100 million senior notes to institutional investors of which $73.75 million was funded at the closing on Sept. 27, 1990. The remaining $26.25 million is scheduled to fund prior to year end. The notes, which were sold at par with a semi-annual coupon of 10.41 percent, are unsecured and due Sept. 15, 2000. The company had previously placed $125 million senior notes in 1989 under substantially similar terms.

Proceeds from the private placement will be used to finance additional investments both in new and existing properties. The major portion of the funds have been pre-committed to projects currently under contract by the company.

American Health Properties Inc. is a real estate investment trust (REIT) specializing in the financing of quality health care facilities. The company's investments include 21 acute care, rehabilitation and psychiatric properties located in 13 states.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Imaging Centers of America Inc. (MICA) (NASDAQ: MIKA), today announced that it has entered into a long-term agreement to manage the world's first mobile P.E.T. (Positron Emission Tomography) scanner for Mercy Hospital of Miami.

Antone J. Lazos, chairman and chief executive officer of MICA, stated, "This contract illustrates MICA's expansion in the high technology services market." He further noted that thus far in 1990, MICA has contracted with 61 hospitals to provide services and has commensurately ordered approximately $50 million of high technology systems.

MICA provides high-technology medical services to the hospital and physician communities.

CONTACT: Antone J. Lazos, chairman of the board and CEO of Medical Imaging Centers of America Inc., 619-560-0110

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BELLEVUE, WA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Quality Food Centers Inc. (NASDAQ: QFCI) today announced that it has entered into an agreement to purchase a site in the Federal Way area of Washington on which it plans to build a new store.

QFC will acquire approximately 8.75 acres of land in the Northshore area of Tacoma, on the border of Pierce and King Counties. The company plans to develop a strip shopping center to include a QFC store, a major drug store and other tenants. QFC expects to open its store, which will intially be approximately 32,000 square feet, in 1992. Closing of the purchase and completion of the new store and center are subject to the company obtaining a building permit and other necessary permits and licenses.

As previously announced, the company plans to open three new stores in 1991 -- Totem Lake, Westwood Village and Coal Creek. The Federal Way store will be QFC's 31st store.

QFC is the largest independent supermarket chain in Seattle/King County. QFC has served this growing area for 35 years and today has 27 stores in operation. QFC's first priority is satisfying customers' needs by emphasizing superior service, high-quality perishables and convenient store locations.

CONTACT: Marc Evanger of Quality Food Centers Inc., 206-455-3761

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - CBL Medical Inc. (NASDAQ: CBLM) announced today that the Physician Groups under management contract have secured a revolving line of credit with Towers Financial Corp. The line of credit provides the Physician Groups with $5.5 million on competitive terms.

The proceeds of this financing will be used by the Physician Groups to pay a portion of their accrued management fees due to CBL Medical, and repay other indebtedness to prior lenders. Under the terms of this financing, the Physician Groups will have resources to finance growth in existing centers and to open additional medical centers. A new center in Salinas, Calif., is planned to be opened before year-end, with other centers scheduled to open in 1991.

Robert B. Mishkin, president and chairman of the board stated: "The Physician Groups' revolving line granted by Towers Financial relieves CBL Medical of the burden of funding current and future growth of our medical centers. In short, this line of credit will completely satisfy the current and foreseeable cash requirements of CBL Medical and the Physician Groups."

CBL Medical Inc. currently operates seven medical centers in the state of California. These centers specialize in forensic reporting and in the treatment of patients who have sustained primarily work- related injuries.

CONTACT: Robert Mishkin of CBL Medical Inc., 213-384-8200.

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PRESTON, MD. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Preston Corporation (NASDAQ: PTRK) announced today that it has decided to close two of its operating subsidiaries Reeves Transportation Company of Calhoun, Ga., and Pioneer Transportation Systems, Inc., of Hurlock, Md. Reeves and Pioneer will not accept any new business as of Oct. 10, 1990. Preston Corporation emphasized, however, that all freight currently in process will be delivered and picked up according to schedule. Carpet Services, a profitable West Coast warehousing division of Reeves, will continue operating its facilities as well as the Reeves terminals located in Texas.

As a result of the closings, Preston Corporation expects to establish a $17 million after-tax loss reserve, or $3.06 per share, which will constitute a charge to earnings in the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company anticipates reporting a loss of approximately $3.37 per share for the third quarter of 1990 compared to earnings of $.03 in 1989 due to the poor operating performance of Pioneer and Reeves combined with the liquidation expenses. While the closings will necessitate modification of certain loans, the company expects that cash liquidation proceeds from the assets of Reeves and Pioneer will, after the payment of the expenses of the closings, approximate $15 million which will be used to reduce debt.

William B. Potter, president and chief executive officer, said, "Preston Corporation management and the board of directors concluded after an intensive financial and operational review that Reeves and Pioneer do not justify continued investment by the company and its shareholders." Efforts to find a buyer for one or both companies have been unsuccessful. Preston is working closely with Reeves and Pioneer's affected employees to help them find suitable job opportunities and with their customers to ensure them of as smooth a transition as possible.

Potter said, "The company and the management at Reeves and Pioneer have made every effort over the last several years to return Reeves and Pioneer to

profitability, but neither company has been able to overcome the considerable problems affecting its particular market."

"Losses for Reeves and Pioneer escalated in the third quarter resulting in a combined pre-tax loss of $8.3 million for both companies for the first nine months. Both companies have been hurt by widespread consolidation in their markets, problems in the long-haul truckload industry, rising fuel costs, falling prices charged to customers, higher operating costs, and increased insurance expenses in both Workers' Compensation and Auto Liability. Reeves, in particular, has been severely impacted by the dramatic decline in new construction and softness in the carpet industry," added Potter.

Looking to the future, Potter further noted, "Preston Corporation can now fully devote its resources to its other subsidiaries which are doing very well in the short-haul, less-than-truckload segment of the trucking industry. We remain committed to providing our customers with the highest quality services, our employees with personal and professional growth, and our shareholders with higher earnings."

Potter stated that third quarter results, to be released within the next two weeks, will show that revenues at Preston Trucking Company, Preston's largest subsidiary, increased by 14 percent as the company continues to focus on high-quality services in its regional markets. Saia Motor Freight continues to turn in an outstanding performance with revenues up over 20 percent. Smalley Transportation, Florida's largest intra-state carrier, has increased its revenues by 7 percent in a very competitive market.

Potter said, "Our recent actions mean that going forward we have eliminated the losses associated with Pioneer and Reeves. This, in turn, enables us to pay down debt, reduce interest payments, strengthen the corporation's cash flow, and have sufficient capital to meet the needs of Saia, Preston, and Smalley. We are anticipating a profitable fourth quarter that, in an uncertain economy, should be a positive indicator of the earnings improvement that is possible in the coming year."

Pioneer was formed by Preston Corporation in 1980 and is an irregular route, truckload carrier providing van, flatbed and refrigerated service to truckload shippers primarily in the Eastern United States. Reeves was acquired by Preston Corporation in 1985 and is a carrier specializing in shipments of carpet and carpet-related products from Georgia and North Carolina throughout the United States.

Preston Corporation is a holding company which, through its subsidiaries, transports freight by truck for a wide range of manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers. The subsidiaries include Preston Trucking Company, Inc., of Preston, Md.; Saia Motor Freight Line, Inc., of Houma, La.; and Smalley Transportation Company of Tampa, Fla.

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DECATUR, GA. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Decatur Federal Savings and Loan Association, headquartered in Decatur, Ga., and Home Federal Savings Bank of Atlanta, Atlanta, have signed a definitive agreement providing for Decatur Federal's acquisition of the physical assets and deposits of the Woodstock branch of Home Federal Savings Bank of Atlanta, located at 526 S. Main St., Woodstock, Ga.

Decatur Federal will also acquire certain of Home Federal's loans. At June 30 the Woodstock branch of Home Federal had deposits of approximately $22 million.

The definitive agreement is subject to the approval of regulatory authorities.

Robert C. McMahan, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Decatur Federal, stated: "The acquisition of Home Federal's Woodstock branch will enhance our presence in the north Georgia area, complementing our branches in Dalton and Chatsworth. We are excited about growth opportunities in Cherokee County. Customers of this branch will also be pleased to know that the current employees will remain on staff with Decatur Federal."

Home Federal Savings Bank of Atlanta is owned by the Noro Group of Companies, which is a privately held company headquartered in the Netherlands.

Decatur Federal Savings and Loan Association is the wholly owned subsidiary of DFSoutheastern Inc., headquartered in Decatur, Ga. The holding company's common stock is traded in the NASDAQ Over-the-Counter Securities Exchange under the symbol "DFSE."

CONTACT: Susan Paul Smith of Decatur Federal, 404-371-4411, or Bill Pendleton executive vice president of Home Federal, 404-841-4672

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ATLANTA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - SunTrust Banks Inc. (NYSE: STI) today reported that net income of the regional banking company in the 1990 third quarter was $88.2 million, compared with $82.8 million for the 1989 third quarter.

On a per common share basis this was $0.69 this year, an increase of 7.8 percent over $0.64 in the same period last year.

For the first nine months of the year, net income was $264.6 million or $2.07 per share, compared with $252.7 million or $1.95 per share for nine months last year. This was an increase of 6.2 percent in earnings per share over the same period of 1989.

Through Sept. 30, the annualized return on average assets was 1.16 percent, compared with 1.17 percent for the first nine months last year. The annualized return on common shareholders' equity was 16.33 percent this year, compared with 17.14 percent through nine months of 1989.

As of Sept. 30, total assets of SunTrust were $32.0 billion, an increase of 8.9 percent from a year ago. In other year-to-year comparisons, loans increased 5.1 percent to $21.7 billion; total deposits increased 5.5 percent to $25.2 billion, while total shareholders' equity increased 9.5 percent to $2.3 billion.

At the end of the 1990 third quarter, the reserve for loan losses was $365.8 million or 1.69 percent of loans. This compares with $358.2 million or 1.67 percent of loans at June 30. Nonperforming assets, consisting of $331.2 million of nonperforming loans and $197.5 million of other real estate owned, were $528.7 million at Sept. 30. This compares with $322.1 million of nonperforming loans and $180.9 million of other real estate owned at June 30. Net domestic charge-offs were $35.6 million in the quarter. At the end of the 1990 third quarter, the reserve was 110. 4 percent of nonperforming loans.

SunTrust owns and operates 51 full service commercial banks with more than 600 banking locations in Florida, Georgia and Tennessee.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Spearhead Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: SPRH) today reported net earnings of $581,000 or $.12 per share, on net sales of $8,540,000 in its first quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990. In comparison, last year the company had net earnings in its first quarter of $578,000, or $.12 per share, on net sales of $9,457,000.

Based on first quarter results, Spearhead anticipates a stronger overall Halloween season and first half than last year. Orders for second quarter shipments are significantly better than last year at this time. Spearhead said that its new Lite-Stik(TM) product line was a strong contributor to sales in the first quarter. Overall sales of Halloween products were on plan for the quarter, but lightly behind last year because of a timing difference in shipments. "Excellent Lite-Stik performance is helping our Halloween business grow and gain market share, and our transition to non-guaranteed sales to

retail chain stores is working as expected," Wes Laseski, chairman of Spearhead Industries, commented. "We are also pleased with the positive contribution by our U.K. subsidiary as the result of significantly improved product marketing there, and we expect the U.K. business to strengthen during the year."

The company noted that in August it completed a private placement of $1,600,000 of subordinated notes with associated stock warrants.

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#90282p2614 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILFORD, OHIO (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Structural Dynamics Research Corporation (NASDAQ: SDRC) today reported record earnings and revenue for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net earnings for the third quarter of 1990 increased 48 percent to $3,331,000 compared to $2,251,000 for 1989's third quarter. Revenue rose 28 percent to $29,945,000 compared to $23,449,000 for the same period last year. Earnings per share were $.24 compared with $.17 per share for the same period in 1989. Common shares outstanding, including equivalents, were 13,864,000 and 13,434,000 for 1990 and 1989, respectively. All share and per-share data have been adjusted to reflect the two-for-one stock split effective on April 27, 1990.

Earnings before income taxes for the third quarter increased 49 percent to $5,208,000 compared to $3,486,000 for 1989's third quarter.

Net earnings for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30 increased 53 percent to $8,807,000 compared to $5,770,000 for the same period in 1989. Revenue rose 24 percent to $83,713,000 compared to $67,537,000 for the same period last year. Earnings per share were $.64 for nine months compared to $.44 per share for the same period in 1989. Common shares outstanding, including equivalents were 13,758,000 and 13,313,000 for 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Earnings before income taxes for the nine-month period increased 53 percent to $13,770,000 compared to $9,007,000 for the same period in 1989.

Ronald J. Friedsam, SDRC chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Earnings have now increased in each of the last 17 consecutive quarters when compared to each of the prior years' quarters. Revenue from our software products division grew significantly, increasing by 37 percent over the third quarter of last year."

During the third quarter, SDRC received the largest software contract in its

history, a contract from the General Electric Aerospace Group. SDRC's I-DEAS software was selected as the standard for mechanical design automation at GE Aerospace, and will be used for the design, drafting and analysis of its products. The estimated value of this multiyear contract is in excess of $4 million. In addition to GE Aerospace, SDRC continued to receive an increasing number of large software orders during the quarter. "This continuing trend of large software orders illustrates the important role that SDRC's products and services are playing at major companies worldwide, and further indicates our industry leadership position," said Friedsam.

SDRC is a leading international supplier of mechanical computer- aided engineering software and engineering services used by automotive, aerospace, and industrial manufacturers for the design, analysis and testing of sophisticated mechanical products. The company's products and services significantly reduce product development time and cost, and result in superior product quality by enabling customers to optimize product designs prior to production. SDRC employs more than 900 people and has 36 offices in 12 countries throughout North America, Europe and the Far East.

STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH CORPORATION
(Unaudited; 000s omitted, except per-share figures)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenue	$29,945	$23,449	$83,713	$67,537
Earnings before income taxes	5,208	3,486	13,770	9,007
Net earnings	3,331	2,251	8,807	5,770
Net earnings per share (A) (fully diluted)	$.24	$.17	$.64	$.44
Common shares outstanding including equivalents (A)	13,864	13,434	13,758	13,313

(A) -- All share and per-share data have been adjusted for the two- for-one stock split effective on April 27, 1990.

CONTACT: Ronald H. Hoffman, senior vice president and chief financial officer of SDRC, 513-576-2178

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SCHAUMBURG, IL (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola, Inc. (NYSE: MOT), today reported higher sales and earnings in the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

Third-quarter sales rose 12 percent to $2.70 billion from $2.41 billion in the third quarter of 1989. In the first nine months, sales reached $7.95 billion, up from $6.97 billion a year ago.

Third-quarter earnings were $102 million, or 78 cents per share, compared with

$89 million, or 69 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989. Non-recurring charges during the quarter were offset by non- recurring gains. Earnings in the first nine months were $390 million, or $2.98 per share, compared with $366 million, or $2.82 per share, a year earlier.

Net margin on sales was 3.8 percent in the third quarter, compared with 3.7 percent a year ago, while in the first nine months, it was 4.9 percent against 5.2 percent in the prior year.

Gary L. Tooker, president and chief operating officer, reviewed the following third-quarter results of Motorola's major operations, compared with the year-earlier quarter:

Sales in the Communications Sector rose 7 percent and orders increased 17 percent. Operating profits were lower, due to continuing investments in new systems, the development of the radio data communications business, and costs associated with the previously announced consolidation of the Mobile and Portable Products Divisions.

In the United States, order growth was paced by government markets. Internationally, orders grew most rapidly in the Asia-Pacific region.

Demand remained high for trunked and secure voice two-way radio systems and radio data equipment. Key paging orders were received in Canada, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Thailand and New Zealand. Shipments of the new Wrist Watch Pager began during the quarter.

The Semiconductor Products Sector's sales increased 14 percent to reach a record for any quarter. Orders rose 9 percent, and operating profits were higher as a result of improved operations, as well as non-recurring gains on settlement of intellectual property disputes.

Orders were higher in all major regions, led by Asia-Pacific and Japan. Among key market segments, order growth was highest in communications, automotive and consumer.

Within major product categories, orders were higher for digital signal processors and for bipolar and CMOS gate arrays. Orders for microprocessors, microcontrollers, bipolar analog and MOS digital analog products also increased. In memories, record orders were achieved for fast static random access memories, although dynamic RAMs remained under pricing pressure.

In the General Systems Sector, sales advanced 34 percent and orders rose 54 percent. Although the core cellular telephone businesses continued to advance operating profits were lower, primarily because of heavy incremental investments in technologies such as digital cellular, wireless in-building networks and personal communications networks. These technologies should lay the foundation for future cellular growth.

The national telephone company in Indonesia awarded Motorola a contract to supply the country's cellular telephone network. Motorola also was qualified as one of three potential suppliers of infrastructure equipment for a digital cellular network in Germany. In the Computer Group, the new MultiPersonal (TM) Computer was introduced in 11 European countries.

Information Systems Group sales rose 8 percent and orders increased 31 percent. The operating loss was greater as a result of the previously announced sale of the Codex Corp. headquarters building in Canton, Mass.

Codex introduced its first product for the Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN). UDS continued to experience rapid growth in the high-speed dial-up modem market.

The Government Electronics Group's sales declined 7 percent and orders were 45 percent lower. Operating profits were higher. Motorola's radio frequency subsystem on board the Magellan spacecraft has been successfully transmitting scientific data from the spacecraft to tracking stations on Earth.

In the Automotive and Industrial Electronics Group, sales increased 13 percent orders rose 9 percent and operating profits were higher. The group began shipments of anti-lock braking system control modules.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Amax Oil & Gas Inc. of Houston announced today that it has acquired three producing fields from Goodrich Oil Co., Shreveport, La., for $14,556,385, effective Sept. 1, 1990.

The three gas producing fields include the Winkler Field, Freestone County, Texas; the Carthage Field, Panola County, Texas; and the Choudrant Field, Lincoln Parish, La., located in East Texas and Northern Louisiana. In addition, Amax Oil & Gas acquired a pipeline serving the Winkler Field.

Proven reserves in the three fields are estimated at 15.12 billion cubic feet equivalent (BCFE) with potential for additional reserves. Including the acquisition, Amax Oil & Gas has reserves of approximately 500 BCFE.

Amax Oil & Gas Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of New York-based Amax Inc. (NYSE: AMX), a major producer of aluminum and manufactured aluminum products, which also has substantial interests in domestic energy and in gold production. Amax Inc. has assets of $4.2 billion, and in 1989 had sales of $3.9 billion and net earnings of $360 million.

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#90282p2619 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

RIVERTON, WY (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Energy Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS: USEG) announced today that its board of directors has declared a 10 percent stock dividend on its common stock, payable after November 16, 1990, to the record holders of the $.01 par value common stock at the close of business on November 1, 1990. The stock dividend will entitle the holders of the company's common stock, on the record date, to receive one additional share of that stock for each ten shares held by them. The company's board of directors has determined that the financial results achieved during the most recent year warrant a dividend payment.

John L. Larsen, president of U.S. Energy, said, "On January 31, 1990, the company announced that it intended to distribute shares of the common stock of its subsidiary, ATEC of Wyoming Inc., to the company's shareholders. That proposed spinoff of ATEC had been part of a plan to obtain financing for ATEC, in order to benefit the company's shareholders by reducing ATEC demands on the company for capital. The planned spinoff of ATEC was delayed as the company prepared documents to satisfy regulatory requirements, and sought the desired funds for ATEC. Because of apparent adverse changes in market conditions, the financing that had been planned for ATEC following the spinoff did not materialize. As a result, the record and payment dates for the ATEC spinoff were never established," he concluded.

After consideration, the board determined that a dividend of the company's stock would be preferred by its shareholders over a dividend of ATEC shares. It was also believed that the distribution of shares of ATEC would frustrate the original intent of the proposed spinoff - to aid ATEC in raising capital. The board accordingly determined that the 10 percent stock dividend announced above was to be declared in lieu of the previously announced dividend of ATEC shares. That previously proposed spinoff of ATEC shares has been shelved by the company, unless and until the board subsequently determines that a distribution of ATEC shares would benefit the company and its shareholders, by facilitating ATEC's capital formation. The dividend of company stock is also designed to allow shareholders to participate in the benefits of the company's recent success, while permitting the company to reinvest in cash assets in the business.

U.S. Energy is a minerals exploration and development company with interests in major uranium resources through Sheep Mountain Partners (SMP) with Cycle Resource Investment Corp. and Green Mountain Mining Venture with Kennecott Uranium Co. SMP owns developed uranium properties and has contracts to deliver approximately 11 million pounds of uranium to various public utilities during the 1990s. The company also has an interest in world-class deposit of molybdenum, and in gold and other base and precious metals properties, and

provides contract mining services.

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MONROE, MI (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of La-Z-Boy Chair Company (NYSE: LZB) of Monroe declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.14 per share for shareholders of record Nov. 19, 1990, payable Dec. 10, 1990.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter Hawley Hale Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CHH), today announced that it has reached an agreement to sell its wholly owned subsidiary, Thalhimer Brothers, Inc., to May Department Stores Company (NYSE: MA) for approximately $325 million, subject to closing adjustments which the company expects to result in approximately $15 million in additional proceeds. The company anticipates that the transaction will be substantially free of tax and close prior to year end.

Carter Hawley Hale intends to use the proceeds to strengthen its balance sheet by reducing debt by approximately $320 million. Approximately $180 million in debt associated with Thalhimers will be repaid with the proceeds and the remaining $140 million will be used to reduce the company's short term borrowings under its receivables securitization facility. Carter Hawley Hale's earnings per share and fixed charge coverage will improve on a pro forma basis as a result of the transaction due to the reduction of direct overhead related to Thalhimers and the paydown of debt previously mentioned.

The sale is part of a strategic realignment of the company which will enable it to concentrate its resources on its West Coast divisions. Carter Hawley Hale intends to consolidate administrative activities, eliminate redundant functions, and reduce overhead in its four divisions and the corporate office. These actions, which will be implemented over the next 12 to 18 months, are designed to substantially reduce annual operating costs in the current fiscal year and going forward.

Bank of America has agreed to lead a $100 million working capital facility, of which $75 million will be provided by Bank of America and $25 million will be syndicated to other banks. The facility will be secured by a combination of cash and real estate.

Carter Hawley Hale will concentrate its capital expenditures over the next two

years on store modernization, with approximately $110 million targeted for this effort. The company will open two new stores, which are already under construction, in fiscal 1991 and no new stores in fiscal 1992.

Carter Hawley Hale purchased Thalhimers in 1978. It presently operates 26 stores in Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee, and had annual sales of $446 million in fiscal 1990. The close of its sale is subject to several conditions, including the expiration of the waiting period required by the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvement Act of 1976.

After the transaction, Carter Hawley Hale will operate 88 department stores under the names of The Broadway-Southern California, The Broadway-Southwest, Emporium, and Weinstocks.

CONTACT: Bill Dombrowski (media), 213-239-6522, or E. Harlin Smith (investors), 213-239-6626, both of Carter Hawley Hale Stores

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#90282p2626 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - United HealthCare Corporation (NASDAQ: UNIH) said it has negotiated the repurchase from Warburg, Pincus Capital Company, L.P. of a warrant for 2,222,222 shares of United common stock. The warrant, held by Warburg since February 1988, would have enabled Warburg to purchase the shares of United stock for $4.50 per share.

United Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Kennett L. Simmons said United will repurchase the warrant for $22,430,533 in cash. This price was determined by applying a discount to the closing price of United's common stock on Oct. 8, the date of the agreement.

"We see this as a very positive step for United HealthCare and all of our shareholders," Simmons said. "The warrant has been considered in United's reported weighted average shares outstanding during the past three years. With the warrant's removal, we believe our reported earnings per share for both 1990 and 1991 should be strengthened," Simmons said.

Simmons said United's strategy will continue to be to maintain a strong balance sheet and cash reserves that will enable the company to take advantage of business opportunities as they arise. After repurchase of the warrants, shareholders' equity will total more than $110 million, and unrestricted cash will total over $50 million.

Warburg continues after this transaction to be United HealthCare's largest single shareholder, currently owning approximately 4.5 million shares of United common stock.

United HealthCare Corporation is a national leader in health care cost

management, serving both the providers and purchasers of health care since 1974. The company's services include HMOs, PPOs, multiple option and point of service plans, pharmaceutical cost management, managed mental health and substance abuse services, utilization management, workers compensation/casualty services, specialized provider networks, employee assistance services, medicare and managed care programs for the aged, health care evaluation services, and administrative services.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Global Natural Resources Inc. (AMEX: GNR) announced today that its wholly-owned subsidiary, GNR International (Turkey), Inc., has been awarded oil and gas exploration licenses covering 945,936 acres in southwestern Turkey. These licenses (the "Isparta Block") are located in the Taurus Belt in the Antalya District and were issued for a primary exploration term of four years, extendable for an additional four years. The first-year work commitment includes collection and evaluation of data, photo-geological study and field mapping. GNR International (Turkey), Inc., owns 100 percent interest.

James C. Niven, chairman of Global, stated, "We are pleased to acquire the exploration rights to this prospective region known to have oil seeps at the surface. This acquisition continues our strategy of expanding Global's portfolio of international opportunities."

On Sept. 27, Global announced the formation of a joint venture in the Soviet Union to develop oil fields in Tataria. This was one of the first joint ventures formed to engage in this type of activity between an amalgamation in the USSR and an American company.

Global Natural Resources Inc. is a Houston-based energy company engaged in the exploration, development and production of oil and gas in North America; owns an interest in long-term oil and gas production sharing contracts in Indonesia; and has a joint venture project in Tataria-USSR.

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EXETER, NH (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Tyco Laboratories, Inc. (NYSE: TYC) announced today at its annual meeting of shareholders that in recognition of

the company's performance in the last fiscal year, the board of directors voted to increase the quarterly cash dividend from 8 cents per share to 9 cents per share, an increase of 12-1/2 percent. The increase will take effect upon payment of the next scheduled quarterly dividend. As a result of the previously announced one-month change in the fiscal year, this dividend will be payable Feb. 4, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Jan. 4, 1991.

Tyco is a worldwide manufacturer of fire protection/flow control systems, electrical and electronic components and packaging materials.

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GREAT NECK, NY (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - American List Corporation (AMEX: AMZ) announced today that revenues for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, increased 16 percent to $1,941,500 as compared to $1,667,539 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989. Net earnings and net earnings per share for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, increased 15 percent to $718,414 or 26 cents per share as compared to $625,919 or 23 cents per share for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989.

For the six month period ended Aug. 31, 1990, revenues increased 29 percent to $4,605,167 as compared to $3,572,157 for the six month period ended Aug. 31, 1989. Net earnings and net earnings per share for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, increased 29 percent to $1,843,234 or 67 cents per share as compared to $1,433,620 or 52 cents per share for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1989.

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WILMINGTON, N.C. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Reeds Jewelers, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: REED) today announced sales and earnings for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Net sales for the second quarter were $10.6 million, up 5.1 percent from $10.1 million for the comparable period of fiscal 1990. Net loss for the quarter was $64,000, compared to a net loss of $113,000 for the comparable quarter last year. This was equivalent to a net loss of $0.02 per share for the second quarter this year versus a net loss of $.03 per share for the same quarter last year.

Gross margins were lower during the second quarter, falling from 44.5 percent to 43.1 percent of net sales, primarily as a result of more special merchandise sales events during the quarter compared to the same quarter of last year. Selling, general, and administrative costs decreased to 55.6

percent of net sales from 57.0 percent.

Alan M. Zimmer, Reed's president and chief executive officer, said that he was pleased with the improvement over last year; the $.02 per share loss compares favorably with losses of $.03 per share in the second quarter of each of the last three years. Comparable store sales were positive in each of the three months of the quarter and were up 6.6 percent over the same period last year. Year-to-date comparable store sales are up 9.4 percent.

Sales for the first six months ended Aug. 31, 1990 were $21.2 million, up 7.8 percent from $19.7 million for the same period last year. Net earnings for the first six months were $1,000; during the first six months of last year, the company lost $131,000, or $.04 per share.

During the fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, Reeds opened new stores in Savannah, Ga., and Columbia, S.C., which are the second stores in each of those markets, and completely remodeled one store. The net addition of two stores during the quarter brings the total number of stores operated by Reeds to 64 at Aug. 31, 1990.

Reeds Jewelers is a specialty retailer presently operating 64 stores primarily in enclosed regional shopping malls in 12 states principally in the Southeast. The company specializes in the sale of fine jewelry, emphasizing customer service.

REEDS JEWELERS, INC.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(dollars in thousands, except per share and store data)

	Three Months Ended			Six Months Ended		
	Pct. Change	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989	Pct. Change	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
Net sales	5.1	$10,574	$10,064	7.8	$21,213	$19,672
Other revenue (principally finance charges)	16.1	1,204	1,037	9.0	2,401	2,202
Total revenue	6.1	11,778	11,101	8.0	23,614	21,874
Cost of sales (including occupancy)	7.8	6,020	5,585	5.2	11,856	11,274
Selling, general and administrative expenses (b)	2.6	5,880	5,733	8.3	11,756	10,851
Income taxes	(a)	(59)	(104)	(a)	1	(120)
Net earnings/loss	(a)	(64)	(113)	(a)	1	(131)
Earnings/(loss) per share	(a)	$(0.02)	$(0.03)	(a)	nil	$(0.04)
Weighted						

average shares outstanding	(a)	3,462	3,460	(a)	3,462	3,460
Number of stores open	-1.5	64	65	-1.5	64	65

(a) not meaningful (b) Includes SG&A, bad debt, and interest expenses

CONTACT: Alan M. Zimmer, President and Chief Executive Officer, 919-350-3111, or James R. Rouse, Treasurer & CFO, 919-350-3116, both of Reeds Jewelers, Inc.

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BRAINTREE, MA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ: GROS), announced today that the Shidler/Holman Group, which had been seeking to take control of the Grossman's board through solicitation of stockholder consents, delivered to the company before yesterday's final deadline consents which represent substantially less than the majority of Grossman's common stock needed to elect any of the insurgent group's nominees. In addition, the company has received a substantial number of revocations of written consents from Grossman's stockholders which could significantly reduce the number of effective consents delivered by the Shidler/Holman Group. As a result, all current Grossman's directors will continue to serve on the Grossman's board and none of the Shidler/Holman nominees will join the board.

"On behalf of all the directors I want to express to Grossman's stockholders the board's deep sense of gratitude for their support of our management and business strategy," Thomas R. Schwarz, chairman and chief executive officer of Grossman's commented. "Shidler and Holman are real estate financiers, not retailers, and they never came forward with a plan that made any sense for Grossman's. Our stockholders saw that clearly," he continued.

"Responding to the Shidler/Holman consent solicitation has been costly to the company and its stockholders. We look forward to getting back full-time to our real job -- strengthening our company and creating value for our stockholders," Schwarz said.

Grossman's, a major retailer of lumber and building materials, operates 156 stores in nine Northeastern states and in California.

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#90282p2634 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Jostens Inc. (NYSE: JOS) today announced its annual meeting of shareholders will be held Thursday, Oct. 25, 1990, at 10 a.m.

The meeting will take place in the auditorium of the company headquarters at 5501 Norman Center Drive, Bloomington, Minn.

All shareholders are invited to attend.

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#90282p2637 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - BellSouth Enterprises Inc. and Sony Corporation of America today signed an agreement to run a technical and limited user trial of a wireless communications system in the state of Georgia.

The trial will take place over a three-month period beginning in late 1990 and will include approximately 35 users.

"We see this joint effort with Sony as a first step in exploring the ranges and possibilities of new wireless technologies," said Eric Ensor, assistant vice president - Worldwide Wireless Strategy for BellSouth Enterprises. "BellSouth Enterprises is committed to the growth and development of wireless communications, and we are eager to begin looking at these new types of services in actual trial settings. This is the first in a series of trials we will be conducting to determine the potential of this powerful new portable communications technology for our customers."

The trial will involve eight public base stations and 35 single-user base stations which have a transmission range of up to 200 meters each. All trial users will have digital handsets capable of placing outgoing calls through the public base stations. Some users will have single-line base stations in their homes and/or offices which allow for incoming and outgoing calls on the handsets. Users may also be provided with pagers to be used in conjunction with their handsets during portions of the trial.

Sony has made arrangements to provide the hardware and the software required for this test from a current equipment manufacturer in the United Kingdom, and BellSouth Enterprises will provide the necessary management and operating

infrastructure. The system will be modified to operate on expanded cellular band "B" in the 846.5 to 849 Mhz range. This frequency band is already licensed to BellSouth Enterprises for other purposes. BellSouth has filed with the FCC for an experimental license to conduct this trial.

"We believe that the knowledge we gain from this trial will be fundamental to our development of next-generation wireless systems," commented Michael Lang, market development manager - Telecommunications Product Division for Sony. "BellSouth is clearly a leader in network technologies, and our association with them should enhance our understanding of the consumer expectations of future telephone services and products."

"BellSouth companies have been in the business of personal communications for over 100 years and we will continue to employ to the fullest emerging technology to offer our customers the most useful, efficient and cost-effective service available," added Ensor.

BellSouth Enterprises' Wireless Strategy Group was recently expanded to study the market and technical viability of a number of wireless systems. The group is currently completing a nationwide study of broad-based market opportunities for personal communications systems. The Wireless Strategy Group is part of BellSouth Enterprises which manages a group of companies within BellSouth Corp. (NYSE: BLS) that provide telecommunications and data processing equipment, mobile telecommunications services and directory advertising publishing services throughout the world.

Sony markets a broad line of consumer telecommunications products including cordless and feature telephones, telephone answering devices and accessories, and recently established a research laboratory in northern New Jersey to support the development of telecommunications technologies.

CONTACT: Carlton Hill of BellSouth Enterprises, 404-249-4135, or Shari Haber of Sony, 201-930-6442.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - GE Aircraft Engines and Pratt & Whitney have agreed to study the feasibility of developing a propulsion system for a Mach 1.5 to Mach 3.5 long-range high speed civil transport. The study could lead to joint development and engine production.

Depending upon study results, the partners will establish a division of responsibilities for later phases of the program.

"America's two leading engine makers are teaming to develop the next-generation propulsion system for supersonic commercial aircraft," said Arthur E. Wegner, president of Pratt & Whitney. "We recognize neither company

could realistically embark on this project alone. By working together we will greatly increase the prospect of resolving the enormous technical issues, while also evaluating methods to address the significant business issues associated with developing a supersonic transport engine."

Brian Rowe, senior vice president of GE Aircraft Engines, concurred, adding, "We look forward to taking on the technological challenges presented by a supersonic transport propulsion system. We're convinced the road to success lies in this cooperative effort between GE and Pratt."

Samuel C. Gilkey of GE and Richard W. Hines of Pratt & Whitney have been named program managers to lead their respective company's activities. They will participate in a joint strategy board to direct the program.

Subsequent phases of the project could include technology development and validation, system development, engine certification and production. GE and Pratt & Whitney will work closely with aircraft manufacturers to explore the 21st century market potential for a high speed civil transport. The companies anticipate that full certification of an aircraft could occur as early as 2005.

GE Aircraft Engines, based in Evendale, Ohio, is a division of the General Electric Company (NYSE: GE). Pratt & Whitney, headquartered in East Hartford, Conn., is a unit of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX).

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MONTVALE, NJ (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Effective immediately, Lehn & Fink Products, a leading international marketer of household, personal care, industrial and do-it-yourself products, will change its name to L&F Products, today announced Michael Gallagher, president and chief executive officer.

As Lehn & Fink Products, the company was part of Sterling Drug Inc., its parent company since 1966. The Eastman Kodak Company acquired Sterling Drug in 1988.

"Our name change signifies that we are now, officially, an independent operating unit of Kodak," said Gallagher. L&F Products has annual sales of approximately $1 billion, which would make it a member of the Fortune 500 as a stand-alone company, according to Gallagher.

The company recently streamlined its organizational structure, and now has three operating units: a household products group, a do-it- yourself products group and an international organization.

These three operating groups encompass over 100 brands, most of which command leading positions in their respective categories. Brands which L&F Products manufacture and market include Lysol disinfectants, Minwax woodcare products, Thompson's exterior waterproofing products, Chubs baby wipes, Red Devil enamels, Mop & Glo floor wax, Ogilvie home perms, Resolve carpet cleaner and d-Con rodenticides.

L&F Products is based in Montvale, N.J. and employs over 3,000 people in the United States and abroad.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter Hawley Hale Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CHH), today reported a net loss from operations for fiscal 1990 of $9.5 million, or a loss of 37 cents per share, compared with net earnings from operations of $7.4 million, or 34 cents per share, in fiscal 1989. This year's loss reflects a substantial LIFO charge of $22.2 million in 1990 compared with $.3 million in 1989. Excluding LIFO charges and interest, operating earnings were $172.2 million in fiscal 1990 compared with $173.1 million in fiscal 1989.

This year's loss includes pretax income of $12.7 million, representing interest on income taxes refunded as a result of a favorable settlement of IRS examinations. It also includes other expenses of $4.8 million, comprised of costs for corporate buying consolidations partially offset by gains on the sale of assets; and an after tax charge of $16.5 million for costs not covered by insurance that resulted from the earthquake in the Bay Area early in the fiscal year.

The net loss for the year was $26.0 million, or a loss of $1.03 per share, compared with net earnings of $13.5 million, or 62 cents per share, in 1989.

Last year's net earnings include a pretax charge of $6.0 million for Market Services; an after tax charge of $9.2 million for the early retirement of debt; and an after tax credit of $15.3 million due to the adoption of FAS No. 96 "Accounting for Income Taxes."

Sales for fiscal 1990 were $2,857.8 million, an increase of 2.5 percent compared with the $2,787.4 million reported in 1989. Excluding Oakland, which was closed because of earthquake damage for most of fiscal 1990, from both years, total sales increased 3.8 percent while comparative store sales increased 2.0 percent.

The net loss from operations in this year's fourth quarter was $19.5 million, or a loss of 70 cents per share, compared with a loss of $7.3 million, or a

loss of 35 cents per share, in the fourth quarter of 1989. This year's loss reflects a LIFO charge of $16.7 million compared with a LIFO credit of $2.7 million in last year's quarter.

This year's loss for the quarter includes the $12.7 million in interest income; other income of $1.1 million, which reflects gains on the sale of assets net of costs for corporate buying consolidations; and an after tax charge of $6.0 million to cover costs from the earthquake in the Bay Area.

The net loss in this year's fourth quarter was $25.5 million, or a loss of 92 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $8.3 million, or a loss of 39 cents per share, in last year's period.

Last year's net loss for the quarter includes the $6 million pretax charge for Market Services and an after tax charge of $1 million relating to the early retirement of debt.

Sales for the fourth quarter of 1990 were $623.3 million compared with $624.6 million in 1989, with the decrease due to the Oakland store being closed in this year's period. Excluding Oakland in both years, total sales increased 1.3 percent and .9 percent on a comparative store basis.

At the end of the fiscal year Carter Hawley Hale operated 115 department stores under the names of The Broadway-Southern California, The Broadway-Southwest, Emporium, Thalhimers, and Weinstocks.

CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES, INC.
(Consolidated, Unaudited)
(Amounts in thousands, except per share data)

Periods Ended	13 Weeks 8/4/90	13 Weeks 7/29/89	53 Weeks 8/4/90	52 Weeks 7/29/89
Sales	$633,313	$624,635	$2,857,819	$2,787,393
Cost of goods sold, incl. occupancy & buying costs	472,892	452,718	2,085,344	2,001,188
SG&A expenses	147,908	136,257	617,580	607,441
Interest expense	44,459	41,760	174,234	160,344
Interest income	(12,700)	--	(12,700)	--
Other (income) expense	(1,056)	6,000	4,831	6,000
Earns. (loss) from opers. bef. income taxes	(28,190)	(12,100)	(11,470)	12,420
Income taxes	(8,700)	(4,800)	(2,000)	5,000
Net earns. (loss) from operations	(19,490)	(7,300)	(9,470)	7,420
Extraordinary items: Earthquake loss, net of income tax benefit of $4,000 and $11,000	(6,000)	--	(16,500)	--
Costs relating to early				

retirements of debt, net of income tax benefit of $700 and $6,200	--	(950)	--	(9,250)
Cum. effect of change in acctg. for income taxes	--	--	--	15,300
Net earns. (loss)	(25,490)	(8,250)	(25,970)	13,470
Earns. (loss) per common share:				
Operations	($.70)	($.35)	($.37)	$.34
Extraordinary items				
Earthquake loss	(.22)	--	(.66)	--
Early retirements of debt	--	(.04)	--	(.42)
Change in accounting	--	--	--	.70
Total	($.92)	($.39)	($1.03)	.62
Avg. com. shares outstdg.	27,746	21,151	25,116	21,818
LIFO provision (credit) included in cost of goods sold	$16,682	($2,700)	$22,182	$300

CONTACT: Bill Dombrowski (media), 213-239-6522, or E. Harlin Smith (investors), 213-239-6626, both of Carter Hawley Hale Stores.

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STAMFORD, Conn. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the managing general partner of Rayonier Timberlands, L.P. (NYSE: LOG), today announced a fourth quarter distribution of 90 cents per publicly traded Class A unit payable Dec. 31, 1990 to unitholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

Rayonier Timberlands, L.P., grows and sells timber on 800,000 acres in the Southeast U.S. and on 383,000 acres in the Northwest U.S. Partnership units were first sold to the public in November 1985.

CONTACT: M. H. Arnold of Rayonier Forest Resources, 203-964-4621.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Maybelline Inc. announced today the appointment of Robert N. Hiatt as president and chief executive officer.

Hiatt was most recently group vice president of the Consumer Products Group of American Cyanamid whose sales totalled $800 million and had 2,000 employees. The group's products included Old Spice, Breck, Pine Sol, Combat, Centrum Vitamins and Stress Tabs. From 1981 to 1985, Hiatt was president of the International Division of Kentucky Fried Chicken. During the period 1977 to 1981, he was president of the Processed Foods division of Swift & Company.

From 1971 to 1977, Hiatt had senior management positions in the Family Products and Domestic Apparel divisions of International Playtex. In addition Hiatt spent three years at Glendinning Associates marketing consulting firm and spent the first 10 years of his career at Proctor & Gamble. Hiatt is a graduate of Northwestern University.

Robert B. McKeon, chairman of Wasserstein Perella Management Partners, Inc., said, "We are pleased to have attracted such an outstanding marketing professional to Maybelline as Bob Hiatt. With his background in a broad variety of consumer product categories, he brings a great deal of marketing expertise as well as general management experience to this important job."

Maybelline, the second largest mass market cosmetics brand in the United States with sales of approximately $300 million, was acquired by Wasserstein Perella Management Partners, Inc. in July 1990 from Schering-Plough Corporation.

CONTACT: Anna Cordasco or Mark Greenberg of Adams & Rinehart, 212-557-0100, for Wasserstein Perella Management Partners

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ANN ARBOR, MI (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Republic Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: RBNC) today announced record earnings for the bank holding company for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $423,000, an increase of 62 percent over the $261,000 reported for the same period in 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $930,000, an increase of 61 percent over the $579,000 reported for the first nine months of 1989.

These are the highest quarterly profits ever recorded for the company and 1990 year-to-date net income now exceeds net income for all of 1989. The increases result from an improvement in net interest income, which was up 22 percent over the third quarter of 1989 and 20 percent over the first nine months of 1989. The company's total assets as of the current quarter end were $486 million vs. $470 million reported one year ago.

Republic Bancorp Inc. is a registered bank holding company with headquarters in Ann Arbor. The company owns seven subsidiaries: Republic Bank with offices in Flint Township, Grand Blanc and Owosso; Republic Bank Ann Arbor; Republic Bank - Central with six offices in the Lansing area; Republic Bank - North with four offices in the Traverse City area; Republic Bank S.E. in Bloomfield Hills and Grosse Pointe Farms; Premier Bancorporation, Inc., with eight offices in the Jackson area; and Republic Bancorp Mortgage Inc. of Farmington Hills. Republic Bancorp Mortgage Inc. has four offices in Michigan and originates and services residential mortgage loans, primarily within the State of Michigan.

Republic Bancorp Inc. common stock is traded in the over-the-counter market and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol RBNC.

REPUBLIC BANCORP INC.
Income Statement Summary

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net income	$423,238	$261,282	$930,269	$579,311
Dividends on preferred shares	137,200	137,200	414,050	414,050
Income applicable to common shares	$286,038	$124,082	$516,219	$165,261
Net income per common share	$.07	$.03	$.13	$.04
Avg. common shares outstanding	4,167,994	4,083,425	4,063,260	4,051,949

Balance Sheet Summary (000's)

	Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Total assets	$485,882	$469,732
Total loans	309,476	301,384
Total deposits	417,553	404,053
Total shareholders' equity	34,026	32,233

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HICKSVILLE, NY (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Metro Tel Corp. (NASDAQ: MTRO), a telecommunications equipment manufacturer, today announced it had agreed in principle to acquire all the stock of Automation Electronics Corp., Dublin, Calif., a privately held firm that manufactures peripheral telephone equipment. The announcement was made by V.J. Indelicato, Metro Tel president.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed. Automation Electronics Corp., known in the industry as AEC, has been in business for about 18 years. Annual sales are in the $8 million to $9 million range. The company manufactures and markets a line of customer premise equipment (CPE) products including automated attendants, call sequencers, voice messaging and digital announcers. Metro Tel is a long-established manufacturer of telephone test equipment used by telephone maintenance craftspersons and installers, both for outside plant and central office operations. The company also manufactures and markets CPE products.

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WINSTON-SALEM, NC (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Jim A. Taylor has been named president of Piedmont Aviation Services, a USAir Group (NYSE: U) subsidiary with operations at the Smith-Reynolds Airport in Winston-Salem.

Taylor succeeds Joe H. Culler, who will retire after serving Piedmont Aviation Services for 28 years, the last seven as president. Taylor, who joined Piedmont Aviation Services in 1957, served in a number of management positions until being named executive vice president in 1988, the position he held before being appointed president.

Piedmont Aviation Services was founded in 1940. Its approximately 850 employees staff one of the largest distributorships of Beechcraft products in the world, as well as provide flight training, maintenance, charters, fueling and other general aviation services at Winston-Salem and several other locations.

A native of Winston-Salem, Taylor is a graduate of Walkertown High School and attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He is active in a number of civic and professional organizations, among them the greater Winston-Salem Exchange Club and the North Carolina Aviation Trade Association, where he serves on the board of directors.

Taylor and his family live in Kernersville, N.C.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM today introduced its first medialess Personal System/2 (see note), the PS/2 (note) Model 55 LS (LAN Station), ideally suited for customers to use as a local area network workstation. The medialess workstation provides customers an easy-to-install, cost-efficient system with greater data security and protection. The Model 55 LS, based on IBM's best-selling Model 55 SX, comes with either a Token-Ring or Ethernet adapter card and is configured without a hard disk or diskette drive. The LAN station can be upgraded with an optional diskette drive and a hard disk.

The PS/2 Model 55 LS is configured with a Remote Initial Program Load (RIPL) feature, allowing customers to easily install the system in either a

Token-Ring or Ethernet local area network. Local area networks enable several personal computers, or clients, to be linked together to share a wide range of resources, such as files, software and printers.

"Our customers have told us they need this type of medialess workstation for data and program security and cost efficiency," said James A. Cannavino, IBM vice president and general manager, Personal Systems line of business. "The PS/2 Model 55 LS is ideal for today's growing LAN installations."

Based on a 16 megahertz (MHz) 80386SX microprocessor and IBM's Micro Channel (note) architecture, the PS/2 Model 55 LS comes with 2 megabytes (MB) of memory, expandable to 16 MB of total system memory and two available 16-bit expansion slots. In addition, the system has a hard- disk storage bay and a diskette drive bay, should storage options be required in the future.

CONTACT: W. Dean Kline of IBM, 914-642-5408

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WINCHESTER, VA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Net income for the first nine months of 1990 for F&M National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: FMNT) was $7.53 million, or 85 cents per share, compared to $8.10 million, or 91 cents per share, for the same period of 1989.

Third quarter net income was $2.42 million, or 27 cents per share, compared to $2.77 million, or 31 cents per share, for the third quarter last year.

Return on assets for the first nine months was 1.26 percent and return on equity was 14.39 percent for the same period.

Total assets, as of Sept. 30, were $810.77 million, up from $750.22 million for the first nine months of last year. Over the past 12 months deposits rose from $666.48 million to $708.88 million. Net loans increased to $515.99 million from $489.57 million over the same period.

The corporation's affiliates are: Farmers and Merchants National Bank, Winchester; F&M Bank-Central Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.; F&M Bank-Massanutten, Harrisonburg, Va.; F&M Bank, Richmond, Va.; The First National Bank of Broadway, Broadway, Va.; Blakeley Bank and Trust Company, Ranson, W.Va.; and F&M Bank, Martinsburg, W.Va.

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DENVER (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Newmont Mining Corp. (NYSE: NEM) today announced that it has amended its earlier Registration Statement for sale of common stock and warrants, so as to exclude any primary offering of stock. Unaffected by the amendment are a secondary offering of 8.4 million shares of Newmont Mining Common Stock, made on behalf of an affiliate of Hanson PLC, and an issue of warrants to purchase an additional 6 million shares. Agreement has been reached between Newmont and Hanson whereby Newmont will pay 80 percent of the proceeds from the sale of the warrants to Hanson for calls on 6 million shares of Newmont Mining stock held by Hanson. Newmont would thereby not be required to deliver any of its own shares against warrants that are exercised.

The amendment eliminated a proposed offering by Newmont of 3.6 million new shares of common stock.

Newmont Mining's decision to omit any sale of new shares was based on price movements in its stock since it first filed the Registration statement on Aug. 30, 1990.

The offering of the shares of Newmont common stock and the warrants will be made by means of a prospectus under the Securities Act of 1933.

Affiliates of Hanson PLC currently own 49 percent of Newmont. Following the sale of the 8.4 million shares covered by the amended Regsistration Statement, Hanson's interest in Newmont will be reduced to 36.9 percent. If all of the 6 million warrants and associated calls are exercised, Hanson's interest would decline to 28 percent.

Newmont Mining is a leading pure gold company which owns 90.1 percent of Newmont Gold Co., North America's largest producer, and 100 percent of Newmont Exploration Ltd., a company engaged in the worldwide exploration for gold. Newmont Mining also owns 24 percent of Newmont Australia Ltd.

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MIAMI, FLA. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Edward C. King, Jr., president of Enviropact, Inc. (AMEX: ENV), today announced that it has established a Government Services Division located in Titusville, Fla. Miles Bramblett, appointed director of government services, will be reporting to King. The focus of Enviropact's Government Services Division will be to extend the business lines currently targeted toward business and industry to the government sector. With the new division, King expects to increase its participation in the government sector and subsequently provide expansion opportunities for Enviropact.

Previously with TRW and SUMMA Technology, Division Director Miles Bramblett has maintained active involvement in government contracting and business development. His 24 years of experience in Federal Agency activities range from development to fielding of systems.

Enviropact, Inc., an environmental services organization, provides businesses with comprehensive services relating to their compliance with present and future environmental regulations. Service offered include: environmental audits, soil and groundwater restoration, air quality services, laboratory analysis, site remediation, transportation and management of hazardous waste. In Florida, the company presently has offices in Miami, West Palm Beach, Jacksonville, Tampa Bay, and Orlando. The company also has offices in Yonkers, N.Y.; Greenville, S.C.; and Corpus Christi and San Antonio, Texas.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange today opened put and call options trading on the over-the-counter stock of Ohio Casualty Corporation (options symbol: OHQ). Based in Hamilton, Ohio, the company underwrites a full line of property-casualty insurance through four subsidiaries.

The new option has been allocated to the specialist firm of Merrill Lynch Specialists Inc.

OHQ opened with strike prices of 25, 30 and 35 and position limits of 3,000 contracts. Initial expiration months are November and December of 1990 and January and April of 1991.

The Amex trades a total of 210 stock options, including 50 options on OTC stocks. In addition, options are traded on four broad-market indexes -- the Major Market Index (XMI), the Institutional Index (XII), the International Index (ADR) and the Japan Index (JPN) -- as well as two narrow-based indexes -- the Oil Index (XOI) and the Computer Technology Index (XCI).

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BUFFALO, NY (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Ecology and Environment, Inc. (AMEX: EEI) reported record revenues and income for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990; net revenues were up 25 percent to a record high $73.1 million and net income

increased 66 percent to a record $4.5 million, or $1.13 per share.

Ronald L. Frank, executive vice president and chief financial officer, announced these results for the company today. Frank attributes the increase in net income and operating margins to the overall growth in net revenues and a greater diversification of the sales base. The company has had continued success in broadening its markets to include a greater number of federal and state agencies as well as private domestic and international customers. During the past six months the company has announced the award of several multimillion dollar projects with a potential total value up to $120 million.

Ecology and Environment, Inc., is a firm of international specialists in the environment, founded in 1970, and headquartered in Lancaster, N.Y., a suburb of Buffalo. It has offices in 25 cities throughout the United States, and is represented in more than 20 countries around the world. It currently has more than 1,200 employees.

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#90282p2681 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

BENTON HARBOR, MI (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Whirlpool Corporation (NYSE: WHR) said today that its third-quarter performance would likely not match levels reached in 1989, correcting an erroneous news report that appeared Monday.

Yesterday's European edition of the Wall Street Journal quoted David R. Whitwam, the corporation's chairman, president and chief executive officer, as saying that profits at Whirlpool would "return to normal" with the close of the third quarter.

"In fact, what we discussed was our expectation that the operating level of our Brazilian affiliates would 'return to normal' following a difficult first half," Whitwam said today of the interview.

Economic conditions in Brazil adversely affected Whirlpool performance during the first half of 1990 as the government in that country took steps to rein in severe inflation. More recently, Whitwam said, the situation in Brazil has stabilized.

Less encouraging, however, are current and forecast sales in Europe and the U.S. of the major nine home appliances.

"U.S. industry sales for August were down 12.6 percent from the same month one year ago; for September, they will be off about eight percent," Whitwam said. "For the fourth quarter, industry sales will probably be down more than 12 percent."

That industry trend, he said, is expected to continue through 1991, when sales are expected to dip another five percent compared to this year. In Europe, meantime, a forecast 1990 industry sales increase of two to three percent has been revised to a one-percent drop.

Whitwam said Whirlpool has responded to the depressed product demand by "taking steps to control costs, inventory and other factors, and we'll continue to do so. However, we do not expect to be able to sustain the level of profitability achieved by our North American operation in the first half of this year."

Whirlpool Corporation is the world's leading manufacturer and marketer of major home appliances. Headquartered in Benton Harbor, the company manufactures in 10 countries and markets products under nine major brand names in more than 45 countries.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Elizabeth D. Harrington has been named Vice President, Market Development, of Pillsbury's Green Giant Group, effective immediately. She reports to Gary F. Klingl, president, Green Giant Group.

As vice president, Harrington will be responsible for all strategic planning, acquisitions, new product/business development and international expansion for the Green Giant brand. In addition, she will have functional leadership for Green Giant market research.

Harrington comes to the Green Giant Group from A.T. Kearney, the international management consulting firm, where she had been a partner and corporate director of the worldwide consumer products marketing practice. Prior to joining Kearney, she was vice president of marketing services for Quaker Oats and president of its AdCom Division. She also has senior management experience with the J. Walter Thompson advertising agency. She began her career in brand management with Procter and Gamble. Harrington serves on the board of directors of several industry and civic organizations. She has won numerous industry awards, including Advertising Woman of the Year, the American Marketing Association's Marketing Achievement Award, and the Free Enterprise Award for Entrepreneurs.

Green Giant Group is one of Pillsbury Brands' three principal food units. Pillsbury Brands is a part of the Food Sector of Grand Metropolitan PLC, a leading international food, drinks and retailing company with annual sales of approximately $15 billion. Other U.S. companies include Alpo Petfoods, Burger King, Grand Metropolitan Foodservice USA, Haagen-Dazs, Carillon Importers,

Heublein, Paddington and Pearle Inc.

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FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - FHP Inc. (NASDAQ: FHPC), a multi-state health maintenance organization, has acquired a 99-bed skilled nursing facility (SNF) in Norwalk, Calif.

The facility will provide short-term, sub-acute rehabilitation, not long-term or convalescent care, said FHP President Westcott W. Price III.

"The SNF establishes an important link between acute hospitalization and home health care," said Price. "In it, our members will receive excellent medical care in a warm, home-like environment."

FHP signed a 10-year lease, relicensed the SNF under its name, and hired most of the facility's employees from Life Care Centers of America Inc., the prior operator. The company plans to invest more than $500,000 in renovations and improvements for the facility, which is located at 10625 Leffingwell, near Rosecrans Boulevard and the 605 Freeway.

FHP previously contracted with Life Care to provide skilled nursing services to its members. According to Price, the acquisition reflects FHP's strategy of providing services in-house whenever it is cost effective.

"Since we have more than 300,000 members in Southern California," he said, "a second SNF is a viable alternative. It enables us to provide high quality care at a significant cost savings. We expect a payback on our initial investment in two years."

The acquisition complements FHP's Southern California hospital network of the FHP hospital in Fountain Valley, Charter Community Hospital (an FHP-managed facility) in Hawaiian Gardens, Calif., and the first SNF in Westminster, Calif.

William Mohr has been appointed acting administrator, a position he also held at FHP's Westminster SNF during its first months of operation. He will oversee the transition of ownership, early phases of the renovation and daily operations. Mohr, who has been a licensed administrator for 10 years, anticipates that the SNF's renovation will be completed by January.

FHP Inc. operates staff model (company-operated medical facilities) and Independent Practice Association (private physicians under contract) HMOs in California, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico and Guam. It serves more than 560,000 members and is the largest Medicare risk contractor in the western United

States. The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of FHP International Corp., based in Fountain Valley.

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CAMP HILL, PA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - David G. Starks has joined Keystone Health Plan (KHP) Central as president and chief executive officer.

His appointment, effective Oct. 1, was announced by Robert E. Patterson, chairman of the board of the Capital Blue Cross and Pennsylvania Blue Shield HMO, on behalf of the plan's board of directors.

Starks, with 23 years experience in both government and private industry, has held positions in HMO management, utilization management, health care administration, operations management, data processing, marketing, and government relations. Prior to joining KHP Central, he was vice president for utilization management and provider contracting at Empire Blue Cross and Blue Shield in New York.

Previously, he was senior vice president and general manager of U.S. Healthcare, Blue Bell, Pa., and, before that, deputy director for Health Care Standards and Surveillance for the New York State Department of Health.

Starks said that he was impressed that Keystone's "staff and the plan itself have an excellent reputation in the local community and in the health care industry as well. Add to that the fact that I'm not new to managed care or to the Blues family. I know the products and the philosophy very well, and have a clear idea what direction the plan's owners want to see it take."

Presently a resident of Doylestown, Pa., Starks plans to move to central Pennsylvania with his wife, Judy, and three children. He holds a B.B.A. from St. John Fisher College, Rochester, N.Y., and an M.B.A. from State University of New York at Buffalo.

Operational since 1983, KHP Central is the HMO affiliated with Capital Blue Cross and Pennsylvania Blue Shield. Its 60,000 members work for employers in eight central Pennsylvania/Lehigh Valley counties and receive medical care through the plan's network of 700-plus contracted physicians.

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OKLAHOMA CITY (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Fleming Companies (NYSE: FLM) announced today that it has reached an agreement to sell the assets of its Waynesboro, Va., division to Richfood, Inc., a wholesale food distributor based in Richmond, Va.

Fleming currently supplies 77 stores, including 31 IGA stores, in Virginia and West Virginia from a 81,000 square foot warehouse, the smallest of Fleming's 39 distribution centers. The Waynesboro center will be closed before year end and Richfood, which has been named an authorized IGA supplier, will begin serving current Fleming customers in the area.

"The Waynesboro operation, which was purchased in 1978, did well for several years, but the long-term potential was limited," said Dean Werries, chairman and chief executive officer of Fleming. "This sale reflects our continuing program of divesting underperforming assets. We are pleased that the agreement with Richfood will assure continuity of service to our retail customers."

Fleming employs 164 at the distribution center. "We have an outstanding group of associates at Waynesboro and we expect many of them will find positions with Richfood," Werries said.

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SAN ANTONIO, TX (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - John B. Lahourcade, chairman of the board of Luby's Cafeterias, Inc. (NYSE: LUB), today announced that the company's sales and net income for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990, again reached new highs. Total sales were $311,325,000, a 10 percent increase over last year's $283,252,000.

Net income for the year was $32,100,000 compared to net income last year of $29,482,000, a nine percent increase. Earnings per share for fiscal 1990 were $1.17 compared to $1.08 for the previous year, adjusted to reflect a 3-for-2 stock split in August 1990.

Sales for the fourth quarter were $83,403,000 as compared to $75,249,000 for the comparable quarter last year. Net income increased to $8,920,000 compared to $8,146,000. Earnings per share were 32 cents against 30 cents.

Lahourcade also stated that during fiscal 1990 thirteen new cafeterias were opened and one unit was relocated in Tulsa, Okla., due to the expiration of a lease.

The San Antonio-based company operates 138 Luby's Cafeterias in seven states.

LUBY'S CAFETERIAS, INC.

(Thousands of dollars except per share data)

Periods ended Aug. 31;	Three months 1990	Three months 1989	Fiscal year 1990	Fiscal year 1989
Sales	$83,403	$75,249	$ 311,325	$283,252
Inc. bef. inc. taxes	13,497	12,196	48,512	44,377
Prov. for inc. taxes	4,577	4,050	16,412	14,895
Net income	8,920	8,146	32,100	29,482
Net income per share(A)	0.32	0.30	1.17	1.08
Average number of shares outstanding(A)	27,370,215	27,355,872	27,365,443	27,352,290

(A) -- Adjusted to reflect a 3-for-2 stock split in August 1990.

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JAMESTOWN, NY (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Electronic Technology Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: ETEK, BSE: ETE) today announced revenues and earnings for its fiscal year ended, July 31, 1990. The company reported an increase in after tax profits of 50 percent over its previous fiscal year on a 37 percent increase in revenues.

Frank T. Costanzo, chief executive officer of ETEK stated that he was very pleased with the results for the fiscal year ending July 31, 1990. Costanzo said that he was particularly pleased as the results incorporated only a few weeks of revenues from its acquisitions of Moog Music Manufacturing Inc. and Liberty Engineering Inc. The results reflect no income from the acquisition of ACT II Printed Circuits, Inc. which occurred subsequent to the end of its fiscal year.

ELECTRONIC TECHNOLOGY GROUP, INC.

Year ended July 31:	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 7,150,393	$ 5,201,786
Pre-tax earnings	$ 397,493	$ 235,248
After tax earnings	$ 246,610	$ 164,657
EPS (Weighted average)	$ 0.17	$ 0.15
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	1,477,830	1,111,000

Balance Sheet

July 31:	1990	1989
Total assets	$ 7,522,747	$ 3,629,573
Total liabilities	$ 3,530,810	$ 3,302,011
Stockholders equity	$ 3,991,936	$ 327,562

Electronic Technology Group, Inc. is a vertically integrated manufacturer of

electronic assemblies for the communication, medical electronic, transportation, industrial control and other industries. The company, headquartered in Jamestown, N.Y. operates EJE Research Corporation in Buffalo, N.Y., ACT II Printed Circuits, Inc., in Tempe, Ariz., Liberty Engineering Inc. in Waltham, Mass. and Moog Music Manufacturing Inc. of Jamestown, N.Y.

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DENVER (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Manville Corpo. (NYSE: MVL) vice president and controller Frank R. McCauley, has been named chief financial officer for Manville Forest Products Corp. (MFP). He retains the position of Manville corporate vice president and will relocate to MFP's Atlanta corporate headquarters.

Thomas H. Johnson, MFP president, said that McCauley will be responsible for all of the subsidiary's financial functions, business development, strategic planning, MFP's domestic information services and energy resources operations.

Other promotions, announced today by Tom Stephens, Manville chairman, president and C.E.O., included:

-- Robert E. Cole, vice president, finance, was given expanded responsibilities to include the controller's, treasury and tax functions;

-- S. Pauline Atkinson was promoted to the position of corporate controller and will report to Cole;

-- Thomas D. Yates, assistant to the president, was named to the additional position of corporate vice president and will assume responsibility for the management information and data processing, purchasing and transportation functions which serve Manville's Denver-based businesses.

McCauley joined Manville in 1972 after receiving an accounting degree from Moravian College in Bethlehem, Penn. He holds an M.B.A. in finance from the University of Colorado, and attended the Stanford University Executive Program.

Cole began his career with Manville in 1973. He graduated from Colorado State University in 1971 with distinction, receiving a B.S. in accounting.

Atkinson joined Manville in 1975 and was promoted to director of accounting in 1987. She received her B.S. in accounting from the University of Southern Colorado.

Yates joined Manville in 1976, and in early 1990 was promoted to assistant to the president. He graduated from the University of Colorado in 1974 with a

B.S. in business, and in 1975 earned his Master's degree in international management from the American Graduate School of International Management.

MFP, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Manville Corp., has its corporate headquarters in Atlanta, Ga. and offices for its paperboard, packaging and wood products domestic operations in West Monroe, La.

MFP operates a paper mill in West Monroe; nine domestic converting plants throughout the United States; one carton plant in the U.K.; a mill and converting plant in Sweden; two paper mills and three container plants in Brazil, and five manufacturing facilities in Australia. Current employment approximately 9,000 worldwide with 1989 consolidated sales of $777 million. Operating earnings in 1989 of $180 million represented approximately 49 percent of Manville Corp.'s consolidated operating earnings.

Manville Corp. is an international manufacturing and natural resources company headquartered in Denver. In addition to paper, wood products and packaging, the company's primary businesses include building and engineered products, fiber glass and industrial insulation products, roofing systems and filtration and minerals. Founded in 1858, Manville employs 18,000 people at more than 50 plants and seven mining interests worldwide. The corporation's world headquarters is in Denver, Colo. Manville and its subsidiaries have more than $2 billion in assets as of Dec. 31, 1989.

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#90282p2711 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S) and its wholly owned subsidiary, Sears Receivables Financing Group, Inc. (SRFG), today announced that the subsidiary offered for sale $750 million of Sears Credit Account Trust 1990 D 9.35 percent Credit Account Pass-Through Certificates through an underwriting syndicate to be managed by Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Salomon Brothers Inc. The securities have an expected final payment date of Oct. 15, 1995. The securities were priced at 99.53125 percent of par plus accrued interest from Oct. 1, resulting in a yield of 9.377 percent.

Sears, through SRFG, has sold a portion of its credit card accounts receivable portfolio to a trust which issued the certificates. The certificates represent undivided ownership interests in the trust. The certificates will be rated 'Aaa' by Moody's, 'AAA' by Standard & Poor's and 'AAA' by Duff & Phelps.

A copy of the prospectus may be obtained from Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., 2 World Trade Center, New York, N.Y., 10048,; Goldman Sachs & Co., Prospectus Department, 85 Broad St., New York, N.Y., 10004; or Salomon Brothers Inc,

Prospectus Department, 140 58th St., Brooklyn, N.Y., 11220.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - First National Bancorp (NASDAQ: FBAC), Gainesville, Ga., has reported preliminary third quarter 1990 earnings of $5,446,000 for the three-month period ended Sept. 30 compared to $5,399,000 for the same period 1989.

Sept. 30, 1990, total assets climbed to a record $1.572 billion. Third quarter earnings per share of 61 cents compare to 61 cents for third quarter 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income of $16,741,000 was up 5.55 percent over 1989. Earnings per share of $1.87 for the nine-month period improved over the $1.78 in 1989, an increase of 5.06 percent.

As of Sept. 30, the company's ratio of primary capital to assets was 9.96 percent, up from 9.67 percent the previous year. Excluding mortgage loans held for sale, the loan loss reserve/loan ratio of 1.37 percent as of Sept. 30 compared to 1.32 percent and 1.15 percent as of June 30, 1990, and Sept. 30, 1989, respectively. For the first nine months of 1990, the company's loan loss provision of $4,020,000, compared to $2,046,000 for the same period in 1989, is a 96.48 percent increase.

For the third quarter, the company reported a 1.39 percent return on average assets and a return on average equity of 15.20 percent. For the nine-month period, the reported 1.46 percent return on average assets and 16.16 percent return on average equity continued to place the company's results well in the upper tier of its banking peer group.

Commenting on per-share results, First National Bancorp Chairman and CEO Ray McRae stated that the third quarter and nine-month performance was most satisfactory, especially considering the additions to the loan loss reserve. "It has been the company's direction to strengthen the loan loss reserve substantially over the past several years and in particular 1990," said McRae. "Although this strategy has impacted 1990 earnings comparisons and will likely continue to do so in the fourth quarter of 1990, the higher position is reflective of the company's response to current industry trends and the slowdown in markets the company serves."

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#90282p2713 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

OTTAWA, ONTARIO (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Wesley-Jessen Corporation, the vision care subsidiary of Schering-Plough Corporation (NYSE: SGP) of Madison, N.J., announced it today filed suit here in the Federal Court of Canada charging CIBA-GEIGY Canada, Ltd., a subsidiary of CIBA-GEIGY Ltd., of Basle, Switzerland, with patent infringement stemming from CIBA-GEIGY Canada's sale of 'Illusions' colored contact lenses.

Wesley-Jessen, based in Chicago, markets colored contact lenses under the brand names 'DuraSoft Colors' and 'Complements' in the United States, Canada, and certain overseas countries. These lenses employ patented technology to alter apparent eye color while achieving a natural appearance. Wesley-Jessen holds patent rights in major markets to the lenses and to a process for their manufacture.

In its suit, Wesley-Jessen alleges that CIBA-GEIGY Canada's sale of 'Illusions' colored contact lenses in Canada is an infringement of Wesley-Jessen's Canadian patent rights. Wesley-Jessen is seeking an injunction to block further infringement of its patent rights, in addition to monetary damages and costs.

Charles M. Stroupe, president of Wesley-Jessen, said, "We intend to vigorously enforce our patent rights. We invented this technology," he added, "and we are determined to protect our rights in the colored lens market, the fastest-growing category in the contact lens business in recent years."

The technological advance enabling contact lenses to alter the appearance of even dark eye color while maintaining a natural look was invented and developed by Wesley-Jessen scientists in the mid-1980s. The company's 'DuraSoft Colors' line of contact lenses was a major marketing success following its U.S. and Canadian introduction in 1986. The 'Complements' line of lenses, introduced in April 1990 in the United States and Canada, offers a less dramatic color change for wearers seeking a more subtle change in eye color.

Operating in the United States and Canada and through distributors in 51 other countries, Wesley-Jessen is a pioneering developer of contact lenses, manufacturing and marketing a full line of soft contact lenses and lens care products. Schering-Plough, Wesley-Jessen's parent company, is a research-based company engaged primarily in the discovery, development, manufacturing and marketing of pharmaceutical, health and vision care products worldwide.

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#90282p2716 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Student Loan Marketing Association (Sallie Mae) (NYSE: SLM) today reported net income for the third quarter 1990 of $77.9 million, up 18 percent over net income of $65.9 million in the 1989 third quarter and up 5 percent over net income of $74.0 million in the second quarter of 1990.

Earnings per common share were 77 cents for the 1990 third quarter, up 18 percent from 65 cents for the 1989 third quarter and up 7 percent from 72 cents in the 1990 second quarter.

Third quarter results brought net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, to $223.0 million, or $2.17 per common share, compared with net income of $189.6 million, or $1.87 per common share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $40.3 billion, up 19 percent over $33.8 billion at Sept. 30, 1989, and up 3 percent over $39.3 billion at June 30, 1990. Student loan purchases for the 1990 third quarter totalled $1.3 billion compared to $1.2 billion in the 1989 third quarter. This brings Sallie Mae's total student loan portfolio to $17.9 billion, up 20 percent from $14.9 billion at Sept. 30, 1989, and 3 percent from $17.3 billion at June 30, 1990. Warehousing advances outstanding at the quarter's close were $10.0 billion, compared to $7.9 billion outstanding at Sept. 30, 1989, and $9.7 billion outstanding at June 30, 1990.

At the quarter's end, forward commitments outstanding -- the pipeline for future asset growth -- were $12.5 billion, including $10.8 billion for the purchase of student loans. Approximately 60 percent of Sallie Mae's student loan purchases during the first nine months were takedowns from commitment clients.

During the quarter, Sallie Mae issued nearly $2.1 billion of attractively priced term debt in the capital markets.

At the end of the third quarter, the Sallie Mae Board of Directors increased management's authority to repurchase the corporation's voting and non-voting common stock to 4 million shares. (Of the 4 million shares, up to 1.4 million shares may be voting common stock.) The board also authorized repurchase of all of the corporation's outstanding 9 million equity warrants. Sallie Mae repurchased approximately 600,000 shares of its common stock before temporarily discontinuing its repurchase activities while negotiating with the Department of Education relative to the HEAF matter. Following the announcement of the HEAF resolution, Sallie Mae announced it would resume its share repurchase activities.

Sallie Mae, a federally chartered, stockholder-owned (NYSE) corporation, is the major financial intermediary serving the higher education market. By buying insured student loans and providing other financial services to

financial and educational institutions, Sallie Mae replenishes local supplies of student credit. The corporation owns about 30 percent of all guaranteed student loans outstanding today.

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#90282p2718 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Allergan Humphrey, the ophthalmic diagnostic instrument subsidiary of Allergan Inc. (NYSE: AGN), one of the world's leading eye and skin care companies, and Datamedic Corp., an industry leader in the field of office-based physician practice management systems, jointly announced today the sale of the Allergan Humphrey Practice Management Systems product line to Datamedic. The product line consists of a computerized ophthalmic office management system. Terms of the agreement were not announced.

Allergan customers will be well served by Datamedic, a nationally recognized leader in the industry, which has been providing practice management systems and service to office-based physician practices for almost 20 years. As an advanced IBM Business Partner, Datamedic services over 2,000 practices throughout the United States. Headquartered in Hauppauge, N.Y., Datamedic has regional offices in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Phoenix, Milwaukee, St. Louis and Boston. These locations, combined with the former Humphrey Office Computer service and support facilities in Chicago, Dallas and Charlotte, make Datamedic's new Ophthalmic Office Systems Division extremely well- positioned to meet the growing needs of the eye care marketplace.

Allergan Humphrey, located in San Leandro, Calif., is a subsidiary of Allergan Inc., which is comprised of six business units: Allergan Pharmaceuticals -- prescription and nonprescription eye care products; Allergan Optical -- contact lenses and lens care products; Allergan Medical Optics -- surgical ophthalmic products and services; Allergan Humphrey -- microprocessor-based ophthalmic diagnostic instruments; Herbert Laboratories -- prescription and nonprescription skin care medications; and Allergan International, which markets Allergan products in more than 90 countries around the world.

Allergan employs over 6,500 people worldwide, and is headquartered in Irvine.

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MADISON, WIS. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Madison Burger King (R) customers can

now order Coca-Cola with their Whopper (R) sandwiches. Burger King Corporation made the announcement in May 1990 that the Coca Cola Company would become the official soft drink supplier to Burger King (R) restaurants in the USA. The switch is on and now Burger King (R) customers in Madison will be able to order Coca-Cola products including Coca-Cola classic, diet Coke, Sprite and Minute Maid Orange soda in their local Burger King (R) restaurants. All USA Burger King (R) restaurants will be fully converted to Coca-Cola by the end of October.

"We selected Coca-Cola because of its ability to provide a powerful mix of global brand strength, state-of-the-art technological capabilities and distinctive service," said Barry J. Gibbons, chief executive officer, Burger King Corporation.

To help celebrate that Coca-Cola is now available in Madison Burger King (R) restaurants, Coca-Cola and Burger King are joining Marriott Hotels and Resorts and Northwest Airlines in sponsoring a Madison radio promotion, part of a 40-market radio promotion, "The Real Thing at Burger King Beach Fling." Prizes include tickets via Northwest Airlines to enjoy a Two For Breakfast Weekend at Marriott Hotels and Resorts, dual-cassette AM/FM portable stereos and canvas beach totes filled with sunglasses, frisbees, towels, can coolers, Whopper (R) cards and certificates for free Coca-Cola classic.

Burger King Corporation was acquired by Grand Metropolitan in January 1989. One of the United Kingdom's largest international companies, Grand Metropolitan is a world leader in the food, drinks, and retailing businesses.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Legg Mason, Inc. (NYSE: LM) announced today that it has completed the purchase of Philadelphia-based Latimer & Buck from First Fidelity Bancorporation (NYSE: FFB).

Legg Mason's agreement to acquire Latimer & Buck, the largest commercial mortgage organization in the Philadelphia and Baltimore areas, had been announced August 29. The terms of the agreement have not been disclosed.

Legg Mason, Inc., headquartered in Baltimore, is a holding company which, through its subsidiaries, provides securities brokerage, investment advisory and investment banking services.

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WEST PALM BEACH, FLA. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Shareholders of IMNET Inc., (NASDAQ: IMGE) today approved a proposal authorizing the company to sell its recreation business for not less than $24.5 million, subject to receipt of a fairness opinion and board approval of final terms and conditions.

Negotiations are under way for sale of the business to H. Irwin Levy, chairman of IMNET Inc. Proceeds from a sale would be applied to the working capital of IMNET Corporation and to reduce debt. Joseph D. Weingard, vice chairman of IMNET Inc., said, "Sale of the recreation operations will allow us to concentrate our efforts and resources on our document image management business, which is in an industry enjoying rapid growth worldwide."

Kenneth D. Rardin, president and chief executive officer of IMNET Corporation, the company's imaging subsidiary, noted, "We are positioned to penetrate all segments of the market -- government agencies, banking, manufacturing, insurance, utilities, healthcare, education, service and transportation. The actions approved by shareholders today will help us maintain our technological edge, increase sales, provide unexcelled service and gain a greater share of the market."

IMNET Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary, headquartered in Pine Brook, N.J., is a leading integrator of PC-based document image processing systems, specializing in applications for the financial community, government agencies and commercial accounts requiring on-line access to millions of documents. The recreation business of IMNET, Inc. leases, manages and operates recreation and community facilities located at the Century Village retirement communities in West Palm Beach and Deerfield Beach, Fla.

In other action at the annual meeting of shareholders, held here today, six directors were re-elected to one-year terms. Roy W. Talmo, a director since 1985, did not stand for re-election, reducing board membership to six from seven.

Shareholders also ratified appointment of BDO Seidman as auditors for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

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#90282p2729 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Toshiba America, Inc. announced today that the company is strengthening its procurement activities in the United States in order to increase America's exports by establishing the Procurement & Export Division.

The Toshiba Group projects an exports increase from the United States to a value of approximately $950 million (Y134 billion) by fiscal 1993, a 50 percent increase over 1989. Last year, $633 million of American materials and products, including hard disk drives, X-ray tubes and supercomputers, were procured by Toshiba Group companies worldwide, excluding software and licensing fees. Toshiba Corporation's worldwide procurement goal by 1993 is $1.42 billion or Y200 billion.

To accomplish this increase, Toshiba America, Inc. (TAI), the New York-based headquarters of Toshiba America Group companies in the United States, has established a corporate procurement center to coordinate the purchase and export of American products to Toshiba companies throughout the world. The office will also develop and maintain a comprehensive data base on vendors and materials and their availability in North America.

The new organization, the Procurement & Export Division, was set up in San Francisco and Boston on Oct. 1, which was transferred and enlarged from the Procurement Division formerly organized at Toshiba International Corporation, TAI's power and industrial electrical apparatus subsidiary headquartered in San Francisco. The current nine- member staff will be increased by three: a newly appointed general manager and two more staff members.

"We at Toshiba have been actively promoting increasing exports to improve the world trade imbalance," stated Tadashi Kawaguchi, general manager of the new Procurement & Export Division, "We wish to help promote this policy by increasing America's export to Japan and other countries, especially high-tech oriented and highly value-added products."

A leader in electronics and energy fields, Toshiba America, Inc., as the holding company, oversees five independent companies in the United States and coordinates the companies' overall business operations. These are Toshiba America Consumer Products, Inc., Toshiba America Information Systems, Inc., Toshiba America Medical Systems, Inc., Toshiba America Electronic Components, Inc. and Toshiba International Corporation. Each company integrates all processes from research development to product design to production and sales and service within their respective industry.

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#90282p2731 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDLAND, TX (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Parallel Petroleum Corporation (NASDAQ: PLLL) today announced that third-quarter net earnings and net cash flow surpassed those of the first two quarters combined.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues more than tripled to $725,000 from $237,000 in the year-earlier period. Net earnings increased nearly ten-fold to $343,000, or 3 cents per share, from $37,000 in the same period a year ago. Net cash flow (from operating activities, before working capital adjustments) increased to $495,000 from $93,000 in the year-earlier period. For the first six months of this year, net earnings totaled $221,000 and net cash flow $437,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased to $1.56 million from $624,000 a year ago. Net earnings increased to $565,000, or 5 cents per share, from year-earlier's $99,000. Net cash flow increased to $933,000 from $274,000.

Larry C. Oldham, executive vice president, attributed the improved results for the third quarter primarily to increased oil and gas production and higher sales prices. During the third quarter, production rose to 41,030 equivalent barrels of oil sold at an average price of $17.66 per equivalent barrel. During the third quarter last year, 17,338 equivalent barrels of oil were produced, and the average sales price was $13.66 per equivalent barrel. (For calculation purposes, natural gas is converted to oil at 6 mcf per barrel.)

Oldham said the recent completions of new horizontally drilled wells in the Pearsall area of the Austin Chalk formation, on prospects in which Parallel owns interests, began contributing to revenues and earnings in the third quarter. The company now has interests in eight wells in the area which, at Oct. 1, 1990, were producing approximately 200 barrels of oil and 200 mcf of natural gas per day net to Parallel's interest.

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#90282p2735 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Diversified Energies, Inc. (DEI) (NYSE: DEI) today declared a regular fourth quarter dividend of 40 cents per share on the corporation's common stock.

The dividend is unchanged from the previous quarter and is payable Nov. 9, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 24, 1990.

Diversified Energies, Inc. is a Minneapolis-based energy services, products and communications corporation that is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol: DEI.

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#90282p2736 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL PASO, TX (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - El Paso Electric Company's (NASDAQ: ELPA) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer David H. Wiggs Jr. announced today the election of Richard G. Hickson and Travis H. Petty to the company's board of directors.

Hickson, 46, is chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Texas Commerce Bank of El Paso. As CEO of El Paso's largest bank, Hickson serves in major leadership roles in civic organizations focusing on economic and community development. He is a board member and chairman elect of the Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce, president of the United Way, treasurer of the Industrial Development Corporation, presidential trustee of the El Paso Community Foundation, and a member of the UTEP Development Board.

Petty, 62, is vice chairman of the board of directors of Burlington Resources Inc., where he is responsible for natural gas transmission activities and corporate affairs. Burlington Resources is the parent company of El Paso Natural Gas Co. Petty previously served as chairman of the board and chief executive officer of El Paso Natural Gas Co.

Hickson replaces Robert H. Cutler, 71, who retired in May after 20 years of service. Petty replaces Leonard A. Goodman Jr., 65, who has announced his retirement effective Oct. 31, 1990. Goodman served on EPE's board of directors for over 20 years, and due to the company's mandatory retirement policy, was scheduled to retire prior to May 1991.

In making the announcement, Wiggs stressed the wealth of knowledge and experience that Hickson and Petty have in the financial and regulatory areas.

"Our company and the utility industry is changing dramatically, particularly in the financial and regulatory areas," Wiggs said. "We are facing entirely new challenges in the form of deregulation, increased competition and innovative financial arrangements. The addition of Messrs. Hickson and Petty will greatly assist our company in meeting these challenges."

The election of Hickson and Petty increases the number of new directors elected to the board over the past year to seven. Currently, the board is comprised of 11 directors, including Wiggs. The company does not expect to add any additional directors in the near future.

Wiggs also expressed the company's gratitude to Goodman and Cutler for their leadership and contribution through the years. "Bob and Leonard have devoted many years of service not only to El Paso Electric, but also to our communities," he said.

El Paso Electric is an electric utility serving approximately 240,000 customers in El Paso, Texas and the Rio Grande Valley in Texas and New Mexico.
The company has a 15.8 percent interest in each of the 1,270 megawatt nuclear generating units at the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station located near Phoenix, Ariz.

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ORLANDO, FLA. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Hughes Supply, Inc. (NYSE: HUG), a leading wholesale distributor of building products in the Southeastern U.S., announced today an agreement for the sale of its manufacturing operations to Accord Industries, a newly formed joint venture to be 80 percent owned by investors William C. Weir and Edward W. White, and 20 percent owned by Hughes Supply.

The gain from this sales transaction is to be included in Hughes' pre-tax profit in its third quarter ending Oct. 31, 1990, and is expected to be approximately $1 million. The date scheduled for the closing of the transaction is Oct. 31, 1990. Proceeds from the sale, net of the investment in the venture, should total approximately $6.5 million and will be used to reduce outstanding corporate debt of Hughes Supply.

The sale includes operations that produce PVC pipe, concrete products and certain sheet metal and electrical products. In the most recent fiscal year ended January, 1990, these operations recorded approximately $23 million of the $530 million total consolidated sales of Hughes Supply.

"These manufacturing operations have been profitable over the years," said David Hughes, president of Hughes Supply, "however, they are subject to much greater volatility than our core distribution business. This sale will permit us to give full attention to our principal business of distribution."

Accord Industries will be managed by William C. Weir and Edward W. White. Weir will resign his present position as executive vice president of Hughes Supply. White previously served as chief executive officer of Hubbard Construction Company, Inc. Accord Industries will continue the manufacturing operations in Orlando, Fla., at facilities acquired in the transaction, and Hughes will continue as a distributor of products manufactured by Accord Industries.

CONTACT: David H. Hughes, president of Hughes Supply, Inc., 407-841-4710

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#90282p2741 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of their recent growth and expansion in the Sacramento, Calif., market, KXTV recently purchased a second TCS2000 library management cart machine from Odetics. The station will use the latest TCS2000 to replace one-inch video tape machines in the recording and playback of syndicated programming.

KXTV purchased their first Odetics TCS2000 and CWS-500 Cart Work Station(TM) more than three years ago. "At that time, Odetics was the only multicart system with software developed to do what we needed. They also had the larger library capacity we required. It was a natural to tie in our latest purchase with them," said Rod Robinson, chief engineer, KXTV. "Odetics is one of the prime companies I have ever dealt with. They stand behind what they sell, and are responsive to our needs," he continued.

An affiliate of CBS, KXTV is owned by A.H. Belo Corp., with sister stations in Houston and Dallas; Norfolk, Va., and Tulsa, Okla.

Celebrating its 21st year, Anaheim-based Odetics is a leading manufacturer of large library management video cart systems. There are more than 115 Odetics large library management cart machines playing directly to air throughout the world.

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#90282p2742 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Aristrain Group and British Steel plc (NYSE: BST) today announced that discussions between the two parties have recommenced on the basis that, subject to European regulatory procedures, British Steel should take a 45 percent participation in the Aristrain Group.

The strong industrial association between British Steel and the Aristrain Group should help both companies to take advantage of the single European Market post-1992.

The Aristrain Group, which is based in Madrid and the Basque country, specializes in the production of steel sections for the construction industry. Aristrain's annual turnover is reported to be in excess of Ptas 70 billion (about 400 million pounds) and its net asset value is approximately Ptas 40 billion (about 225 million pounds).

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MICH. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Stoneridge Resources, Inc. (NYSE: SRE) announced today that it has recommended to Orange-co, Inc. (NYSE: OJ), Stoneridge's 52-percent-owned subsidiary, that Orange-co adopt a strategy to dispose of all its assets and use the available cash proceeds for liquidating dividends to its shareholders. Orange-co is presently a fully integrated Florida-based citrus production and processing company.

In a letter sent to Orange-co today, Stoneridge congratulated Orange-co's management on its progress in selling assets. Noting the recent decline in Orange-co's stock price and the importance of realizing Orange-co's asset values, Stoneridge recommended that Orange-co adopt a strategy to change its previously announced asset restructuring program into a plan for disposition of all of Orange-co's assets. Then, as cash proceeds become available, Stoneridge further recommended that Orange-co declare a series of liquidating dividends.

Since announcing its asset redeployment program in April 1990, Orange-co has sold approximately 2,760 acres of its citrus groves for cash proceeds of approximately $32,650,000, with sales of additional 360 acres scheduled to close in November. Orange-co owns an additional 13,400 acres of planted citrus groves and 9,400 acres of other real estate. Orange-co also owns several juice processing and fruit packing plants.

Stoneridge also owns 33 percent of Major Realty Corporation (NASDAQ: MAJR), a Florida-based real estate company, and 51 percent of Major Group (NYSE: MJR), a Florida-based real estate developer.

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#90282p2744 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

JASPER, IN (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Shareholders of Kimball International (NASDAQ: KBALB) today elected three new members to the board of directors. John T. Thyen, Gary P. Critser and Randall D. Habig, who are employees of the company, fill spots vacated by Arnold F. Habig, H.E. Thyen and Maurice R. Kuper, who retired from the board.

John Thyen, 52, senior executive vice president, marketing and sales, has been with Kimball since 1961. He was the company's credit manager, a district sales manager for Kimball Piano & Organ Co. and national sales manager for Kimball Furniture Reproductions. He then served as vice president of sales for Kimball Office Furniture Co., before becoming executive vice president, marketing, for the company's Office Furniture Divisions. He assumed his present position in 1987.

Gary Critser, 54, is executive vice president, chief accounting officer and secretary of Kimball International. He joined the company in 1965 as

corporate controller. He was named vice president, controller, in 1967 and executive vice president, controller, in 1975. Before joining Kimball he was a certified public accountant with the accounting firm of Seidman & Seidman for six years.

Randall Habig, 36, is the western divisional sales manager for Kimball Office Furniture Co. and Artec. He has worked for Kimball since 1976. He was a district, area and regional manager in the Office Furniture Divisions prior to becoming a divisional manager in 1987. He was named western divisional manager this year.

Shareholders re-elected nine members of the board of directors. They are Thomas L. Habig, chairman; Douglas A. Habig, John B. Habig, James C. Thyen, Anthony P. Habig, Ronald J. Thyen, Leonard B. Marshall Jr., Patricia H. Snyder and Jack R. Wentworth.

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#90282p2746 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - CIGNA Corp. (NYSE: CI) said today that Thomas H. Dooley, an executive vice president of the company, has announced his retirement.

"While I know Tom is looking forward to the opportunity to pursue a broad range of business, community and personal interests," said Wilson H. Taylor, CIGNA chairman and chief executive officer, "we will all miss his leadership and friendship.

"During his 28-year career with CIGNA and its predecessor, Connecticut General Tom has been an outstanding contributor to our company and the insurance industry. He has touched the lives of many people and earned their respect and loyalty."

Dooley's career has included assignments in the Legal Department, Group Insurance and Individual Operations of the company. Most recently, he served as executive vice president of CIGNA and president of the Individual Financial Division.

Dooley has been an active participant in the American Council of Life Insurance, the Life Insurance Marketing and Research Association and the Insurance Association of Connecticut. He also has been involved in numerous governmental and charitable organizations in the Hartford area. Dooley currently serves as a trustee of Clarkson University.

The CIGNA companies are leading providers of insurance, health care, employee benefits, pension and investment management, and related financial services to

businesses and individuals worldwide.

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#90282p2747 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

JASPER, IN (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Kimball International's (NASDAQ: KBALB) sales and earnings in the fiscal first quarter ended Sept. 30 will be lower than in the year-earlier period, shareholders were told at the annual meeting today.

Douglas A. Habig, president and chief executive officer, reported that sales are expected to decrease about 6 percent and net income is expected to decline between 5 percent and 10 percent.

Habig said market softness caused by the weakening U.S. economy affected results in all of the company's operating divisions.

Profits would have been further eroded, according to Habig, except for efficiency gains achieved by the company's Excellence Programs, which train employees at all levels to be involved in decision making.

Habig said Kimball's financial condition remains strong, allowing management to maintain a long-term positive view. He said the company will continue to invest in its products and people for future success even if recession becomes a reality.

The board of directors increased the quarterly dividend on Class B common stock to 17 cents from 15 cents, Habig reported. The new dividend will be paid Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 24, 1990.

In the treasurer's report on the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, James C. Thyen, senior executive vice president, reported sales of $612,956,000 and net income of $43,475,000, or $2.05 per share of Class B common stock. He said sales increased 3 percent and net income advanced 27 percent over the previous year.

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RENO, NEV. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Athena Gold Corp. (Vancouver: AGC) and its wholly owned U.S. subsidiary, Athena Gold Inc., today announced that Placer Dome U.S. Inc. has commenced field work for the Stage I exploration program at the Talapoosa Project as outlined under the terms of the definitive Joint Venture Agreement signed on Sept. 12, 1990.

Drilling is estimated to begin in December of this year. Initial field work will entail establishing a grid around the Talapoosa that will cover roughly two square miles. Geochemical and geophysical surveys will be conducted over this area prior to the commencement of drilling. The total expenses budgeted for the Stage I exploration will be a minimum of $400,000.

The company recently signed a mining lease agreement that added 26 claims to the property holdings at the Talapoosa. The 26 claim block, equivalent to approximately 530 acres, is located east of the main Talapoosa reserve area and includes land with surface alteration similar to the Talapoosa.

Athena's land position in the Talapoosa District, amounting to approximately 19-square miles, is located 45 miles southeast of Reno near the Silver Springs junction of U.S. Highway 50 and Alt. 95. Through work programs by Athena and drilling completed by PDUS during the Initial Phase, 82,517 feet of drilling has been completed on the Talapoosa area of Athena's overall holdings from inception of exploration to date. Based upon the results of a geological resource estimate completed in 1989 by Mine Development Associates, the Company estimates that the Talapoosa alone has a mineral inventory of 19.6 million tons containing 1,049,000 gold equivalent ounces at a gold equivalent grade of 0.054 ounces per ton. The deposit is open in two directions and to depth. Athena has identified five additional targets for exploration on the property.

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#90282p2757 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Gene C. McQuown, formerly vice president, J. E. Robert Companies (JER), has been promoted to senior vice president, announced Joseph E. Robert, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer. McQuown, who will continue as regional manager of the southwest operations, will oversee execution of the $2.4 billion Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) contract awarded to JER last month to manage and dispose of assets from University Federal Savings Association in Houston. The University Federal transaction was the first major asset management and disposition contract awarded by the RTC.

Prior to joining JER in September 1989, McQuown served as regional manager for the Federal Asset Disposition Association (FADA), where he managed the Dallas Region, the largest of FADA's four regions with 135 employees managing approximately $1.8 billion in assets and non- performing loans for 24 separate Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation (FSLIC) related entities.

Previously, McQuown served as FADA's national participations director,

managing and overseeing participation loan and real estate owned activities for FADA's Dallas, Atlanta, Denver and Los Angeles regional offices.

In addition, McQuown acted as FADA's portfolio manager for Vernon Savings and Loan with approximately $2.1 billion in non-performing assets. He has previously been involved in real estate, oil, and gas development and held the position of vice president special credits for InterFirst Bank Dallas N.A..

McQuown holds a bachelor of arts degree from Louisiana State University and a masters of business administration degree from the University of Dallas.

Under the terms of the RTC agreement, J. E. Robert Companies will undertake a multimillion-dollar contract over three years to manage and dispose of assets with an approximate book value of $2.4 billion. The assets are nonperforming commercial loans and commercial REO properties that were owned by University Federal.

The assets include approximately $1.5 billion in nonperforming commercial loans and $835 million in commercial real estate owned by University Federal. The asset pool includes 441 nonperforming commercial real estate loans with a book value of $975.6 million; 160 nonperforming land loans with a book value of $568.4 million; 110 foreclosed commercial properties with a book value of $266 million; and 297 parcels of land with a book value of $569.2 million.

J. E. Robert Companies is one of the largest asset workout companies in the country and is currently responsible for the management or oversight of nearly $10 billion in assets. Headquartered in Alexandria, the firm has regional offices covering every major market covering the nation.

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#90282p2758 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - J.E. Robert Companies (JER) today announced the hiring of three key managers to help oversee the execution of the $2.4 billion Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) contract awarded to JER last month to manage and dispose of assets from University Federal Savings Association in Houston. Philip D. Vincent, James L. Lozier, Jr., and Lee David Elmore have all joined JER as vice presidents, and will work out of the company's new Houston office, announced Joseph E. Robert, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer. All three executives join JER from NCNB Texas, which had served as interim manager for the RTC on the University Federal portfolio.

In a separate announcement today, Robert promoted Gene C. McQuown to senior vice president. McQuown will be responsible for overall execution of the University Federal contract, the first major contract awarded by the RTC, while continuing as regional manager of the Southwest operations.

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#90282p2760 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Pacific, the national airline of Fiji, has contracted with Boeing for the purchase of one 767-300 Extended Range jetliner Boeing Commercial Airplane Group confirmed today.

The wide-body twinjet will supplement the carrier's present 747-200 and 767-200ER aircraft in promoting tourism to Fiji. In Air Pacific's operation, the 767-300ER will seat 249 passengers in a two-class configuration.

The 767-300ER is Boeing's biggest twinjet. It can fly more than 7,200 statute miles nonstop and has the capability of carrying more than 300 passengers in an all-tourist arrangement. With a fuselage extension of 21 feet over the 767-200, it also has extra capacity in the cargo holds.

To allow the -300 to qualify for extended-range operations, a fourth electric generator, increased cargo hold fire-suppression capability and cooling sensors for the electronic flight instruments have been added. The -300ER's fuel capacity of 24,140 U. S. gallons contributes to the airplane's exceptional range capability.

Air Pacific, known as Fiji Airways until July 1971, has been in operation since 1947. It currently provides services to Australia, New Zealand and Japan as well as regional operations to the Pacific Islands. In 1989 the airline reported a record profit of U.S. $6.7 million. The carrier has been a Boeing customer since September 1980 when it purchased a 737-200.

Today's announcement brings total Boeing 767 orders to 504 airplanes.

CONTACT: Tom Cole of Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, 206-237-5445.

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#90282p2762 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HAVEN, Conn. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Microtech International announced today the implementation of a 24-hour service and repair program on its R45 and Europa 45R removable drive products employing SyQuest mechanisms.

This special one-day repair turnaround on Microtech's removable products was incorporated to address and alleviate any concerns that Microtech customers may have pertaining to Microtech's support of its SyQuest-based products. Microtech customers experiencing problems should contact Microtech's customer service department, where they will be given an immediate RMA number for return of their drive. The product will be serviced within 24 hours from Microtech's receipt of the drive.

Microtech will continue to fully support its customers with SyQuest- based products for the full life of their warranties. However, in order to maintain the Microtech warranty - two years on the R45 and one year on the Europa 45R - all servicing must be done by Microtech or a Microtech Authorized Service Center. Microtech customers are advised that the opening of any Microtech product to repair or swap mechanisms by anyone other than Microtech or a Microtech Authorized Service Center will void all warranties and obligations between Microtech and the customer.

"We do not want our customers to be lured by marketing ploys which may be put out by our competitors where they must pay additional costs, or risk voiding their product warranties," Microtech's President and CEO, Cliff Wildes, commented. "To continue the high-quality service our customers have come to expect from Microtech, they should obtain service directly from us or one of our specially trained Authorized Service Centers. This service is available to them at no additional cost."

Microtech has also instituted a program to consign inventory to its worldwide network of Authorized Service Centers to ensure they are able to address customers' concerns immediately. This additional $100,000 investment above and beyond its existing field repair program will ensure sufficient product is available for any repairs on Microtech removable drives anywhere in the world. Additional consignment inventory from Microtech will be made available for its Authorized Service Centers as needed.

"Microtech has built its reputation on a commitment to manufacturing quality products and developing the best service and support programs in the industry " continued Wildes. "We recognized early in the development of our company

that service and support were extremely important to our customers."

Microtech was the first company to offer a five-year warranty on its mass storage subsystems over three years ago, and remains the only company to currently offer five-year warranties on a complete line of hard drives at no extra charge. In furtherance of quality, Microtech continues to support all its mass storage and memory products with its standard 48-hour service program.

For more information about the special 24-hour service available on removables call 800-626-4276.

Microtech International, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of peripherals for Macintosh computers. Microtech International's product line includes mass storage systems (rewritable optical, fixed and removable hard disk drives), tape backup systems and memory expansion boards.

Microtech International was founded in 1985 and is headquartered in East Haven Conn., with a Western regional office in San Francisco and international offices in Hong Kong and Japan.

NOTE: The five-year warranty is offered on hard disk drives sold, delivered and used in the United States or Canada. Certain restrictions and exclusions apply. All product names and logos are trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective owners.

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JACKSON, MISS. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobile Telecommunication Technologies Corp. (NASDAQ: MTTL) today announced record units in service figures for its SkyPager nationwide paging and voice messaging system.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, the company had a total of 110,900 units in service worldwide. This figure includes 73,600 SkyPager units and 12,900 SkyTalk units in the U.S., as well as 24,400 paging subscribers in the United Kingdom.

Total units in service in the U.S. during the quarter grew at an annualized 137 percent over the 1989 year-end total, and the U.K. subscriber base grew at an annualized 58 percent over the same period. This was Mtel's best quarter in the company's history in terms of subscriber growth.

"The units in service total for the third quarter has surpassed our expectations and we're naturally very pleased," said Robert Fugate, chief financial officer of Mtel. "We are particularly excited by the strong increase in SkyPager sales during the third quarter. Our growth in sales is accelerating at a time when many other companies have seen a slowdown due to

overall economic conditions."

Fugate added that the SkyPager system now transmits more than three million messages per month.

Mtel, headquartered in Jackson, Miss., is engaged in businesses that include nationwide paging and voice messaging services in the U.S.; nationwide paging services and paging system manufacturing in the U.K.; interests in other satellite-based telecommunications systems; air-to- ground and marine telecommunication systems; telephone answering service operations; and a digital microwave system serving southern California. Mtel's Common Stock is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol MTTL.

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COLUMBUS, Ind. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Industrial Equipment Mfg. (TIEM) Inc. celebrated the official grand opening of its new Columbus industrial forklift truck manufacturing plant today at a ceremony attended by more than 500 community leaders and state officials.

"TIEM has expanded its commitment significantly since breaking ground for this world-class manufacturing plant in May 1989 and today we are taking yet another step," said Yasuhisa Koga, president of TIEM. "I am very pleased to announce that we soon begin construction of a 100,000-square-foot distribution center here for Toyota industrial trucks."

The new distribution center will be built adjacent to the manufacturing plant at Columbus. The center will be used for delivery of Toyota industrial trucks to its dealers throughout the central United States. Dealers currently receive their products from distribution centers in Baltimore and Compton, Calif.

Koga said that TIEM's initial capital investment of $40 million in 1989 grew to $60 million this summer. The $20 million of additional capital investment is being used for tooling and related equipment for manufacturing of two additional major components for Toyota forklift trucks - the "upright" or forklift mast and the rear-steer axle assembly. In addition to increasing the percentage of local content, the expanded manufacturing operations will increase employment from 110 to 180 TIEM associates.

The TIEM plant produced its first Toyota forklift truck on May 10, 1990. The 280,000-square-foot manufacturing facility produces 2,000-6,000-pound-capacity pneumatic-tire and 3,500-6,000-pound-capacity cushion-tire forklift trucks. In 1991, 2,000-3,000-pound-capacity cushion-tire forklift trucks will be added

to the Columbus production line.

The TIEM plant has a unique production system that utilizes an overhead conveyor and Toyota's original "just-in-time" production system. The products produced at Columbus have the same high quality of workmanship of Toyota forklift trucks produced in Japan. In addition to extensive on-site training in Columbus, TIEM has sent more than 20 associates to Japan for lengthy training at the Takahama plant.

In 1991, the Columbus plant will be producing 5,000 units a year. By the mid-1990s, the annual output is projected to be 10,000 units.

At the grand opening ceremony, TIEM officials presented $50,000 in gifts. Recipients included the City of Columbus, the County of Bartholomew, United Way of Bartholomew County and the Bartholomew Consolidated School Foundation. TIEM also donated a Toyota forklift truck to Ivy Tech, an Indiana vocational school which has a campus in Columbus, and to the Bartholomew Consolidated School Foundation.

Toyota Industrial Equipment Mfg., Inc. is a joint venture of Toyoda Automatic Loom Works, Ltd. and Toyota Motor Corporation.

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FALLS CHURCH, Va. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - First Virginia Banks, Inc. (NYSE: FVB) today reported that despite a slowdown in economic activity and problems experienced in real estate lending in the banking industry, its earnings have remained strong. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $49,200,000, or $2.30 per share of common stock, compared with $50,832,000, or $2.41 per share, for the first nine months last year. This represents an annualized return on average assets of 1.27 percent for the 1990 nine-month period and 1.41 percent for the same period last year. The return on average stockholders' equity was 13.84 percent and 15.83 percent for the respective periods.

Robert H. Zalokar, chairman and chief executive officer, stated that a reduction in the net interest margin, with insufficient loan growth to offset the effect of the lower margin, has prevented a growth in earnings this year.

For the third quarter, net income was $16,343,000, or $.76 per share, compared with $17,594,000, or $.83 per share, in the third quarter of 1989, which included an after-tax profit of $974,000, or $.05 per share, from the sale of mortgage servicing rights without a similar credit in this year's third quarter. The return on average assets was 1.25 percent and 1.45 percent for the respective periods, and the return on equity was 13.50 percent and 16.03

percent, respectively.

First Virginia's allowance for loan losses has been maintained at a high level in relation to its outstanding loans and its charge-off experience, and it is believed to be adequate to absorb any potential losses, including those arising from real estate related loans. However, in light of an increase in that category of nonperforming loans and the economic outlook, in general, an extra precaution was taken by adding approximately $1 million to the allowance during the third quarter, reducing the third-quarter net income by $.03 per share. On Sept. 30, 1990 the allowance was 1.25 percent of total loans and covered nonperforming assets 1.5 times and annualized charge-offs 4.4 times.

Nonperforming assets totaled $28.25 million, or .82 percent of total loans, much lower than the average for regional banks. Real estate development and construction loans represent only 3 percent of total loans, and First Virginia has no loans in foreign countries or for highly leveraged transactions.

Total loans at Sept. 30, 1990 were $3.394 billion, up 3 percent from $3.289 billion at the end of the third quarter of 1989. Total deposits were $4.622 billion, an increase of 7 percent from $4.300 billion a year earlier. Total assets were $5.276 billion on Sept. 30, 1990, up 7 percent from $4.929 billion on the same date last year, and stockholders' equity reached $489 million, up 10 percent from $445 million last September. On Sept. 30, 1990, stockholders' equity was 9.27 percent of total assets, up from 9.02 percent one year earlier.

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VERO BEACH, FLA. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Dixon Ticonderoga Company (AMEX: DXT) has entered into a preliminary letter of intent to sell its graphite and lubricants division in Lakehurst, N.J., and Burnet, Texas, for a total cash purchase price of approximately $16.2 million, subject to adjustments.

President Gino N. Pala announced today that the signing of a binding, definitive agreement, which will be subject to certain contingencies, is expected to take place soon. In addition, the company announced its agreement to sell its refractories division, based in New Castle, Pa.

The company is also under contract to sell its office building in Vero Beach as the final step in the relocation of its corporate offices to Orlando, Fla. Further, the company has contracts to sell its small water and waste treatment operation in Florida and its plant in Newmarket, Ontario, which was closed recently when its operations were moved to more modernized facilities.

The sales of all of these assets, when finalized, are expected to provide the company with in excess of $20 million, which will be used by the company to

significantly reduce its outstanding debt -- providing the company with greatly increased flexibility and lower interest expense.

In addition, the company announced that under its inventory reduction program, inventories have decreased $6.9 million since May 1990.

Pala noted, "As we entered into our new fiscal year on Oct. 1, we decided the company's primary focus will be on consumer products for the writing, art and office supply markets. Our current asset redeployment program enhances our financial structure to give us the financial strength necessary to execute our strategies in consumer product sales and marketing."

Dixon Ticonderoga Company is a diversified manufacturer and marketer of the well-known Dixon Ticonderoga, Wearever and Prang writing and art products, a producer of graphite and lubricant products and an operator of refractories.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Fluor Daniel announced that it has been awarded a contract by Collin County, Texas. The cost of phase one of the project is estimated to be $35 million.

Fluor Daniel's Industrial Sector will provide construction management services for a new 570-bed correctional facility, sheriff's office, and central energy plant plus a warehouse to be built on a 45-acre tract of the master plan, 40 miles north of Dallas, in McKinney, Texas. The scope of work includes design development review, and contruction, operation and maintenance studies.

Work is under way in Fluor Daniel's Dallas offices with construction scheduled for completion in mid-1992.

This is the first phase of a multi-phased, 282-acre master- planned project to include a courthouse, county administrative offices and a second correctional facility.

Fluor Daniel Inc., Fluor Corp.'s principal subsidiary, is an international engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services company with more than 50 offices around the world.

CONTACT: Deborah Land (media), 714-975-3971; or Lila Churney (investors), 714-975-3909, both of Fluor Corp.

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#90282p2775 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways today announced details of its "Grand Rewards" program which is the only all- inclusive international incentive travel plan that offers independent packages.

In contrast to traditional incentive travel programs which focus on developing and marketing travel packages for groups, Pan Am's "Grand Rewards" program offers individuals, couples and small groups the opportunity of choosing both the time and place of travel.

"Employers may select the 'Grand Reward' level they prefer from Bronze, Silver and Gold tiers which vary according to the accommodations or length of time they wish to provide their outstanding achievers," said Fran Brasseux, director of association and incentive sales for Pan Am.

Recipients might choose a week-long vacation in England, enjoying the London theater and the English countryside, with deluxe hotel accommodations at one of the Savoy Group of Hotels. Winners might choose to visit a castle in Spain before renting an Avis Europe car for a drive to Italy where they can stay at any of "Grand Rewards'" Ciga Hotel properties in Florence, Rome, Milan or Venice.

Other winners might wish to vacation on the French Riviera, staying in one of the Nice Hotel Associations' luxury properties, or enjoy deluxe accommodations at a Trusthouse Forte, Marriott or Taj Hotel in another "Grand Rewards" destination.

The prices start at $900 per person for extended weekend holidays continuing up to the maximum of $3,000 per person for the Gold level.

"Grand Rewards" also allows more scheduling flexibility for the employers. "Many companies simply cannot afford to have key people out of the office at the same time," said Brasseux. "'Grand Rewards' takes this into account and offers employers the leeway to tailor award travel to their own business needs " she added.

Award destinations include Great Britain, France, Spain, Italy, Germany, Austria, Poland, Greece, Switzerland, India, Barbados, Bermuda, California and Florida. Trip lengths range from extended weekends to nearly two weeks.

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#90282p2777 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
IRVINE, CALIF. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Fluor Daniel, a unit of Fluor Corp. (NYSE: FLR), announced that it has been awarded a contract by Shell Nederland

Chemie B.V., a unit of the Royal Dutch Shell Co. headquartered in The Hague, the Netherlands. The value of the contract is approximately $50 million.

Fluor Daniel's Hydrocarbon Sector will provide engineering and procurement services for expansion at Shell's styrene propylene oxide plant in the Moerdijk industrial area located approximately 30 miles from Rotterdam. The revamp will increase plant capacity by 20 percent.

Engineering is under way in Fluor Daniel's Haarlem offices and the project is scheduled for completion in late 1991.

Styrene is used in polystyrene and rubber products such as automobile tires. Propylene oxide is used for the production of polyurethane foams.

Fluor Daniel Inc., Fluor Corp.'s principal subsidiary, is an international engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services company with more than 50 offices around the world.

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#90282p2778 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

TEL AVIV, ISRAEL (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Mepro Epilady, Ltd., the manufacturer of Epilady, today announced it will assume responsibility for the promotion and distribution of its personal care products line. The line includes the Epilady hair removal products, the Epilady shower massage products (sold in the United States as EpiSsage) and the Epilady facial sauna. Mepro Epilady, Ltd., controls the patents, trademarks and manufacturing rights to the Epilady product worldwide.

Epilady was invented in Israel in 1986. Mepro Kibbutz Hagoshrim (1987) Ltd. owns all manufacturing rights for Epilady. As one of the most successful personal care products to have been introduced in the last 40 years, Epilady has brought a high level of excitement and profitability to its distributors and retailers.

Seven million units of Epilady were sold in the United States within the last three years. Eighteen million units were sold worldwide in its first 48 months on the market. This resulted in a total of US$1 billion in retail sales. Epilady will continue its marketing efforts in the United States, Europe and Japan.

The previous distributor, EPI Products, Inc., is now in Chapter 11. EPI Products, Inc., will no longer represent Mepro Epilady, receive or sell its products.

Mepro Epilady, Ltd., is now establishing its own distribution network, salesforce and representative groups in the United States. Mepro will be responsible for Epilady product warranties and service and will satisfy customer and trade needs. Mepro will supply the Epilady products that retailers will require with limited shipments available for Christmas sales.

During 1991, Mepro Epilady, Ltd., will rebuild the promotional support for Epilady products in the United States and will introduce new products at the Housewares Show to be held in Chicago in January.

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#90282p2780 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - FMC Gold Company (NYSE: FGL) today announced that it is planning to sell its Royal Mountain King assets acquired earlier this year with the acquisition of Meridian Gold Company.

Royal Mountain King is an open-pit mine that has been operating since early 1989 in the Motherlode district of California. In the 1989 start-up phase, 40,000 ounces of gold were produced. Proven and probable reserves are estimated to contain 400,000 ounces of gold.

"Although this property has potential, FMC Gold plans to direct its management time and resources toward developing the Beartrack property in Idaho," said Robert N. Burt, FMC Gold chairman and chief executive officer. FMC Gold has a 71 percent interest in the Beartrack development property acquired as part of Meridian Gold.

FMC Gold Company, formed in 1987 through a combination of FMC Corporation's North American precious metals interests, ranks among the largest gold producers in the United States. FMC Gold reported 1989 production of 329,000 ounces of gold and 5.2 million ounces of silver.

CONTACT: Pat Brozowski, 312-861-6104 or Chris Peterson, 312-861-5765, both of FMC

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#90282p2788 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the Bank of New York Company, Inc., today announced a quarterly cash dividend of 53 cents per share on the company's common stock, unchanged from the previous quarter. The common stock dividend is payable on Nov. 2, 1990, to holders of record as of the close of business on Oct. 19, 1990.

A 75 cents per share dividend was declared on the company's adjustable rate cumulative preferred stock for the period from Sept. 2, 1990, through Dec. 1, 1990. The dividend is payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to holders of record as of the close of business on Nov. 15, 1990.

A dividend of $2.1125 per share was declared on the company's adjustable rate noncumulative preferred stock for the period from Sept. 1, 1990, through Nov. 30, 1990. The dividend is payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to holders of record as of the close of business on Nov. 15, 1990.

A dividend of $23.125 per share was declared on the company's fixed/adjustable rate noncumulative preferred stock for the period from Sept. 1, 1990, through Nov. 30, 1990. The dividend is payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to holders of record as of the close of business on Nov. 15, 1990.

A dividend of 88.75 cents per share was declared on the company's cumulative adjustable rate preferred stock for the period from Oct. 1, 1990, through Dec. 31, 1990. The dividend is payable on Dec. 31, 1990, to holders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 1, 1990.

A dividend of $2,375.00 per share was declared on the company's cumulative convertible preferred stock for the period from Aug. 15, 1990, through Nov. 14 1990. The dividend is payable on Nov. 15, 1990, to holders of record as of the close of business on Nov. 1, 1990.

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#90282p2789 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Levi Strauss Associates Inc., the privately-held parent company of Levi Strauss & Co., today reported record third quarter sales. Net income, however, was lower than the same period a year ago, due primarily to last year's gain on the partial sale of its Japanese subsidiary's stock.

For the third quarter ending Aug. 26, 1990, net sales were $1.2 billion, reflecting a 19 percent increase over the $1 billion reported for the same period a year earlier. Year-to-date net sales increased 16 percent to $3.1 billion, up from $2.7 billion reported for the nine months of 1989.

Third quarter net income was $74 million versus $128.6 million for the third quarter of 1989. Net income was 42 percent lower when compared to the third quarter of 1989, which included a $69.8 million gain from the partial sale of Levi Strauss Japan, K.K. (LSJKK) stock. Excluding the gain on the 1989 LSJKK stock sale, third quarter net income would have been down 10 percent when compared to the same period last year due to a higher 1990 effective tax rate.

For the nine months of 1990, net income also decreased to $175.9 million, down 21 percent from the $222.5 million reported a year earlier, due again to the LSJKK stock sale and the higher 1990 effective tax rate. In 1990 the company also recorded an extraordinary loss of $10.3 million, net of tax, from the early extinguishment of debt. This debt was replaced with short-term borrowings at a more favorable interest rate. Excluding these factors, year-to-date net income would have increased by 6 percent.

The company said that third quarter operating income increased 9 percent to $189.9 million, up from $174.6 million in the third quarter 1989. Year-to-date operating income also increased 9 percent to $486.3 million over the $442.2 million reported in the comparable 1989 period.

The company's international businesses continued to drive overall record dollar sales and earnings for that group. The company cited strong demand for its basic denim products in a growing jeans market, particularly its 501(R) jeans, along with favorable foreign exchange rates, especially in Europe, for the positive performance.

In the United States, the company said that its Dockers(R) family of products continued to perform strongly across all market segments, particularly Menswear, Womenswear and Shirts. The company experienced lower dollar sales for its Men's Jeans products, reflecting the continued decline in this market.

As a result of the employee investment and savings plans, the company files its quarterly results with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Levi Strauss & Co. is the world's largest apparel manufacturer. The company designs, manufactures and markets jeans and casual apparel for men, women and children, including slacks, shirts, jackets and skirts. It employs approximately 30,000 people worldwide.

LEVI STRAUSS ASSOCIATES INC.
FINANCIAL SUMMARY
(In Thousands)

	Q3-1990 (ending Aug. 26)	Q3-1989 (ending Aug. 27)	Percentage Change
Net Sales	$1,209,726	$1,019,188	19
Operating Income	$189,841	$174,606	9
Net Income	$73,968	$128,562	(42)
	Nine Months 1990	Nine Months 1989	Percentage Change
Net Sales	$3,088,947	$2,667,832	16
Operating Income	$486,275	$444,203	9

Net Income	$175,875	$222,500	(21)

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DARIEN, CT (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Air Force is modernizing the air cargo handling facilities at its Travis Air Force Base in Fairfield, Calif., and has awarded a $4.5 million contract to Transact International Inc. (NASDAQ: TACT).

In announcing the contract, Frank B. Carder, president of Transact, said, "This is part of an ongoing program by the Air Force to improve its facilities at a number of bases, including Travis, where we did some work in May of 1985. We're pleased that they asked us to come back."

Carder noted that this new contract increases Transact's order backlog to approximately $12.6 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, vs. approximately $6.8 million a year earlier.

According to Carder, the contract covers the design, fabrication and installation of equipment to upgrade the existing materials handling systems in the air freight terminal at Travis. Included are two new Elevating Transfer Vehicles for handling containers or palletized cargo, each with a capacity of 15 tons, plus a multipallet lift, staging dock conveyor, dock levelers, a powered right angle transfer system, a prepack load/unload station and automatic control system. A large building canopy extension is also part of the improvements, which are scheduled to be completed in October 1991.

Transact International is a specialized design, engineering and manufacturing organization which produces air cargo handling systems for airlines and air freight companies, as well as the U.S. Air Force. The company's executive offices are in Darien, while its manufacturing facilities are in Memphis, Tenn.

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WATERBURY, CONN. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Gene C. Guilbert, president of American Bank of Connecticut (AMEX: BKC), Waterbury, announced today that third-quarter earnings for 1990 were $1,405,000 compared to $1,621,000 for the same period in 1989. Net earnings for the first nine months of the year were $4,482,000 compared to $4,416,000 in 1989.

Non-performing loans as of Sept. 30, 1990, represented 1.14 percent of assets compared to 1.02 percent of assets on June 30, 1990. Guilbert said, "Our strong equity position and credit quality are sustaining us through these uncertain times. The level of real estate problems in our area is a continuing concern, and management has again considered it prudent to add to loan loss reserves. The reserve is now at $2,006,00 and is available to absorb losses should they occur."

The value of the bank's equity portfolio required an allowance for unrealized losses of $2,231,000. Although this had the effect of reducing stockholder equity to $29,064,000, it is still a strong ratio to assets of 8.29 percent. "Over the years, security gains have contributed significantly to our earnings but the market's current volatility has cautioned us to substantially reduce the size of this portfolio and increase our liquidity," said Guilbert.

Guilbert said he feels that fundamental market trends are weaker than expected and that a turnaround is not yet in view. Conservative strategies, he feels, will preserve the bank's capital, earnings and stockholder dividend.

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#90282p2792 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - A patent infringement lawsuit was filed today in U.S. District Court here by a subsidiary of American Express Information Services Corporation (ISC) against 900 Million Productions, ISC announced today.

The suit alleges that 900 Million, operator of "The Game," an interactive telephone trivia game, is inducing infringement of ISC patents that cover computer systems and processes which involve interactive telephone games, contests and similar operations.

The suit seeks damages for "willful and wanton infringement" and requests that the court grant a permanent injunction to prevent 900 Million from "further infringement of the patents."

American Express Information Services Corporation, through its Omaha-based First Data Resources Inc. (FDR) subsidiary, holds several patents and has several patents pending relating to interactive telephone systems and processes.

"We intend to vigorously protect our patent rights," the company said. "The interactive telephone services market is a rapidly growing market segment and we have attained our leadership position through our patented systems and

marketing expertise."

The suit alleges that three specific patents have been infringed by 900 Million: Multiple Party Telephone Control System (U.S. Patent No. 4939773), which covers grouping callers to one terminal; Telephonic- Interface Statistical Analysis System (U.S. Pat. No. 4845739), covering selection of a specific caller or winner, and Telephone Interface Control System (U.S. Pat. No. 4930150), which covers varying the interface format based upon the number dialed, the time and other criteria.

ISC patents have been licensed to Call Interactive, a joint venture of American Express and AT&T. Call interactive is one of the nation's largest providers of interactive voice services utilizing telephone- computer systems.

American Express Information Services Corporation is a wholly owned subsidiary of American Express Company (NYSE: EXP) and is headquartered in New York.

CONTACT: Gary P. Tobin of American Express Information Services, 212-640-5090.

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#90282p2794 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Metromedia Paging Services is offering free paging service to parents staying at Ronald McDonald Houses, as part of a new program called ComfortNet Paging Network. The ComfortNet Paging Network was announced today by Metromedia Paging and Motorola at the Ronald McDonald House here.

The ComfortNet Paging Network keeps families in touch while using the facilities of Ronald McDonald House, which provides a home-away- from-home for families with sick children being treated at nearby hospitals. Metromedia Paging, the largest provider of paging services in the U.S., operates offices throughout the country and has offered to provide paging services to each Ronald McDonald House within its coverage area.

"Metromedia Paging is happy to participate in a worthy cause like the ComfortNet program," said Tom Barry, president of Metromedia Paging. "With these pagers, parents never have to worry that they'll be out of touch while their children are in the hospital."

Motorola is supplying free alphanumeric pagers, which receive messages in words as well as numbers, while Metromedia Paging provides free airtime plus cash donations for the ComfortNet program. The pagers will be used by Ronald McDonald House guests and staff.

Metromedia Paging Services, a Southwestern Bell Company, provides paging to 32 markets nationwide, including nine of the 10 largest metropolitan areas. Headquartered in Secaucus, N.J., Metromedia Paging serves more than 860,000

pagers with local and regional service. Metromedia Paging employs 1,400 people. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of Southwestern Bell Corporation (NYSE: SBC).

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Julia Roberts and Campbell Scott star in Twentieth Century Fox's "Dying Young," to be produced by Sally Field and Kevin McCormick, it was announced today by Roger Birnbaum, president, World-wide Production for Twentieth Century Fox. The Fogwood Production is directed by Joel Schumacher from a screenplay by Richard Friedenberg, based on the novel by Marti Leimbach.

Roberts plays Hilary O'Neil, a young working-class woman who answers a newspaper ad to take care of dying leukemia patient Victor Geddes, played by Scott. Victor, a wealthy, brilliant and acerbic man who refuses to accept his fate, breathes life back into the apathetic Hilary. Despite their greatly different backgrounds, the two fall in love, tempered by sadness over Victor's worsening condition. When he feels himself slipping away, Victor generously pushes Hilary toward a new relationship with healthy, robust Gordon. But she cannot bring herself to abandon Victor when he needs her love and tenderness the most.

Roger Birnbaum commented: "Our ongoing relationship with Julia Roberts is one of the proudest examples of how we are making movies at Fox. After completing 'Sleeping with the Enemy,' Julia is joining forces with a rare combination of outstanding talents to tell a beautiful story that will touch audiences everywhere. 'Dying Young' is also an example of how we are making movies at Fox, and a project we are all very proud to be associated with."

Julia Roberts stars for Fox in the upcoming thriller "Sleeping with the Enemy " directed by Joseph Ruben and co-starring Patrick Bergin and Kevin Anderson. Roberts received an Academy Award nomination and a Golden Globe Award for Best Supporting Actress for her portrayal of Shelby in "Steel Magnolias," after which she starred opposite Richard Gere in the comedy smash "Pretty Woman." For "Dying Young," she rejoins Joel Schumacher, who directed her in the summer hit "Flatliners."

Campbell Scott will shortly be seen in Bernardo Bertolucci's "The Sheltering Sky," starring Debra Winger and John Malkovich. Scott has also starred in the acclaimed "Longtime Companion" and as Joseph Kennedy Jr., in the ABC-TV miniseries "The Kennedys of Massachusetts." His distinguished stage career includes Broadway productions of Eugene O'Neils "Long Day's Journey into Night" and "Ah! Wilderness," Noel Coward's "Hay Fever" and Mike Nichols'

production of Tom Stoppards" "The Real Thing." Scott is the son of George C. Scott and Colleen Dewhurst.

Joel Schumacher comes to "Dying Young" after directing "Flatliners," starring Julia Roberts and Kiefer Sutherland. Schumacher wrote and directed "St. Elmo's Fire," an acclaimed and very successful look at the lives of a group of recent college graduates, before directing the hit supernatural thriller "The Lost Boys."

"Dying Young" will begin filming Nov. 12 in San Francisco and Mendocino County.

Twentieth Century Fox is primarily engaged in the financing, development, production, distribution and marketing of motion pictures throughout the world and is a unit of Fox Inc.

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DURANGO, COLO. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory Inc. (NASDAQ: RMCF) recorded revenues of $1,171,751 for the second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 versus $1,029,723 for the like period a year ago. The company reported a profit of $128,574 versus a profit of $139,028 for the like period a year ago. Primary earnings per share was 7 cents for the second quarter, versus 13 cents for the like period a year ago. Fully diluted earnings for the second quarter was 5 cents per share versus 5 cents for the like period a year ago.

For the six-month period, revenues were $2,303,323 versus $1,937,392 and the company's profit was $242,989 versus a profit of $277,756 for the like period a year ago. Primary earnings per share was 14 cents for the six-month period versus 26 cents per share for the like period a year ago. Fully diluted earnings per share was 9 cents for the six-month period versus 10 cents for the like period a year ago.

Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory, manufactures gourmet chocolates and other confectionary products for sale at company-owned and franchised stores.

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DALLAS (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Halliburton Co. (NYSE: HAL) today announced that George W. Tilley has been named president of its wholly owned Halliburton Geophysical Services Inc. subsidiary, succeeding Don B. Sheffield. Sheffield

will move to Halliburton's Oil Field Services Group headquarters in Houston to be involved in the coordination of several of the group's strategic projects.

Tilley, 53, attended University of Houston's School of Electronic Technology. He joined McCollum Exploration in 1955 and has continued his employment with successor companies since that time in a number of managerial and executive positions. Most recently he has served as Halliburton Geophysical Services Inc.'s vice president-products and has been responsible for managing the company's worldwide product manufacturing, engineering, sales and technical support functions. Tilley is a member of the Society of Exploration Geophysicists, European Association of Exploration Geophysicists, International Association of Geophysical Contractors and the Petroleum Equipment Suppliers Association.

Sheffield, 55, graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a B.S. degree in Geology. He began his career in 1958 with Ray Geophysical as a seismologist and has been active with its successor organizations in a variety of managerial positions. Sheffield served as president of Halliburton Geophysical Services Inc. upon its formation in 1988. He is a member of the Society of Exploration Geophysicists, European Association of Exploration Geophysicists, American Petroleum Institute and the Petroleum Equipment Suppliers Association.

Halliburton Geophysical Services Inc., headquartered in Houston, provides geophysical services and systems for the petroleum industry worldwide.

Halliburton Co. is one of the world's largest diversified oil field services, engineering and construction companies. Founded in 1919, Halliburton provides oil field services and products, industrial and marine engineering and construction services, and property and casualty insurance services.

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#90282p2813 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES PLAINES, IL (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - United Stationers Inc. (NMS,NASDAQ: USTR) reported record sales of $993 million for its fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990, up 2.5 percent from $969 million the prior year. Net income for fiscal 1990 was $12.8 million, down 48.1 percent from $24.7 million earned in Fiscal 1989. Earnings per share were $0.83, as compared to $1.60 per share the prior year. Weighted average shares outstanding were 15,494,772 for Fiscal 1990, compared to 15,470,580 shares the prior year.

"Our Fiscal 1990 sales growth rate reflects softer overall market demand. Gross margin declined as a result of a shift in our product mix and an increased level of promotional activity. A strong and continuing effort to control expenses enabled us to offset much of the expense associated with our

two newest regional distribution centers; therefore, our overall expense ratio increased only slightly," said Joel D. Spungin, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer.

"As we move forward, we are placing increased emphasis on purchasing, enhancing our marketing programs and continuing our expense control efforts. We are confident that our plans will enable us to capitalize on market opportunities and improve our profit performance," Spungin added.

Fourth Quarter Net sales for the fourth quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 were $242 million, up 2.8 percent from $235 million for the same quarter the prior year. Net income was $3.1 million, compared to $4.0 million in the year-ago quarter. Earnings per share were $0.20, compared to the $0.26 per share in the year-ago quarter. Weighted average shares outstanding were 15,504,606 in the fourth quarter of Fiscal 1990, compared to 15,485,470 in the same quarter the prior year.

United Stationers Inc. is the nation's largest wholesaler of office products to resellers. Through its computer-based physical distribution system, it makes more than 25,000 items available substantially within 24 hours through distribution points in 56 major hub cities.

CONTACT: Marshall A. Gardner executive vice president finance, or Kathleen S. Dvorak, manager, investor relations, 708-699-5000, of United Stationers Inc.

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#90282p2823 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of A.O. Smith Corporation (AMEX: SMC) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $ .20 per share of common stock (Class A and B) payable Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 31.

They also declared a dividend of $ .53125 per share of convertible exchangeable preferred stock, payable Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record on October 31.

CONTACT: Edward J. O'Connor of A.O. Smith, 414-359-4100

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#90282p2826 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Colorocs Corporation (NASDAQ: CLRX) announced today that revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 will be in the $5 million range, up 25 percent from a year ago. This is expected to result in a loss for the quarter.

Charles Muench, Colorocs president, said, "Decreased purchases by Colorocs'

OEMs and delayed shipments resulted in revenues less than originally expected for the quarter. Orders and shipments have already picked up in the fourth quarter. Future payments for units for all customers are now secured by bank letters of credit thus relieving the company's credit requirements for the balance of 1990."

Muench continued, "Our earlier expectations that color will become a major tool in business communications are being realized. Over 9,000 units have been shipped using Colorocs' patented technology under its own and OEM names. We expect Colorocs machines to represent a substantial share of total color units placed in 1990."

Because of the markets' acceptance, Colorocs has opened sales offices in Australia and Canada and also is expanding into Taiwan, Singapore, Thailand and Hong Kong through a joint venture called Colorocs Asia. In the U.S., the company's system has increased to 11 branch offices and by the end of this year Colorocs is expected to have Colorocs brand sales and service outlets in over 30 cities compared to one location last year.

Colorocs designs, develops and sells full-color copiers and electronic printers.

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-30- 1794

#90282p2829 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, ID (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Morrison Knudsen Corp. (MK) (NYSE: MRN) today announced notice of receipt of a contract worth approximately $16.7 million to construct a 1,000-bed prison near Dilley, Texas.

The contract will be awarded to MK's National Projects Inc. by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Dilley is located about 70 miles south of San Antonio.

The prison will be of cast-in-place-concrete and masonry construction and will house medium-security inmates. Work will start in early November and is scheduled for completion in December of 1991.

Morrison Knudsen is an international construction, engineering, design, environmental, rail systems and mining company.

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#90282p2831 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal Corp. (NYSE: UCL) today announced plans to close its Edmonds, Washington, marketing terminal by May 1, 1991.

John M. Peck, Unocal general manager of marketing distribution, said the terminal was being closed as part of the company's market restructuring of its retail and commercial motor fuel operations in the Pacific Northwest, announced last year.

"Once the terminal closes, we plan to serve our customers, bulk plants and service stations in northwestern Washington from our Tacoma terminal," Peck said.

Unocal has 28 employees at the Edmonds terminal. Some will be transferred to Tacoma, while others will have the opportunity to transfer to company operations in other Western states.

The 53-acre terminal site on Puget Sound includes 27 storage tanks with a capacity of 697,000 barrels, truck loading racks and maintenance shops. The beach front has been leased to the City of Edmonds for public recreation. An additional portion of the original terminal site was dedicated by the company as a permanent wildlife reserve several years ago.

"We have begun preliminary planning to sell the site once it is no longer utilized as a terminal," Peck said. "We have a small amount of underground contamination, which we began cleaning up several years ago. We expect that clean up program to continue."

The facility handles approximately 100 million gallons of refined petroleum products each year, which are distributed by tank trucks. The terminal receives refined products by marine tanker from Unocal's Los Angeles and San Francisco refineries.

The Edmonds terminal began operations in the 1920s. In the early 1950s, a refinery and asphalt operation were added, but these operations were discontinued and dismantled in the early 1970s.

In October 1989, Unocal announced a restructuring and partial withdrawal of its retail and commercial motor fuel operations in the Pacific Northwest. The restructuring program will leave Unocal with approximately 30 service stations along the interstate and major highways in Washington by 1993.

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MISSION VIEJO, CA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas V. Tilton, president of AMDL Incorporated, announced today the signing of a definitive agreement with

Bio-Tech Marketing Group, Inc., relating to the worldwide distribution of AMDL cancer detection products. This agreement is for human use in those countries not presently under option to Bio-Tech or other firms. The agreement specifically excludes the Unites States, its territories and possessions.

Terms of the agreement call for the payment of $500,00 to AMDL by Jan. 4, 1991 of which AMDL has received $100,000 upon signing of the agreement. An additional $250,000 to be paid by Nov. 21, 1990, and $150,000 paid by Jan. 4, 1991. In addition, terms of the agreement call for an advanced payment of $7,500,000 to AMDL within six months from AMDL's demonstrated ability to complete specific tests with its cancer detection system.

With the signing of this agreement, AMDL Inc. has agreements in place calling for the payment to the company of $15.5 million within the six months time frame mentioned above.

AMDL, Inc. is a research based company developing technology for monitoring and early detection of cancer. The company has patents pending on its cancer detection system internationally and in the United States.

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-30- 1575

#90282p2838 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, NJ (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Cantel Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: CATBC) today reported that it had reached an agreement in principle to restructure the company's outstanding senior debt of $17.7 million. Under the proposed agreement, the company's senior lenders will receive (i) a cash payment of $1.5 million, (ii) $8 million face amount of senior notes, bearing interest at 1 percent above prime and payable over a three year period commencing during the third year following the closing of the restructuring, (iii) $1.5 million face amount of senior notes, bearing no interest and repayable over the three year period following the closing of the restructuring, (iv) $6 million of redeemable preferred stock, and (v) common stock equal to 25 percent of the company's outstanding common stock on a fully diluted basis. The redeemable preferred stock will include provisions for the senior lenders to acquire additional equity in the company in the form of warrants or conversion rights.

The proposed agreement is subject to the holders of the company's 11 percent senior subordinate debentures due Jan. 1, 1994 agreeing to exchange such debentures for shares of the company's Series B preferred stock on terms satisfactory to the company and the senior lenders. Consummation of the transactions is subject to the negotiation of definitive agreements between the company, the senior lenders and the holders of subordinated debt.

In May 1990, the company sold its building in Fairfield, N.J. for $1.87

million, resulting in net proceeds of $1.6 million. The proceeds will be used for the initial cash payment to the senior lenders referred to above. The company's executive offices and warehouse facilities are now located at 180 Passaic Avenue, Fairfield.

The company also announced the discontinuation of its Graphic Arts Division in the United States. The liquidation of inventory from this division was completed in Sept. 1990. Although sales from the Graphic Arts Division in the United States accounted for $14.3 percent of the company's consolidated sales in fiscal 1989, it sustained reduced sales in fiscal 1990 and operating losses during both years.

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ANN ARBOR, MI. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Daedalus Enterprises, Inc. (OTC: DDEI) announced today earnings of $687,000, $1.07 per share, on revenue of $5,596,000 for the year ended July 31, 1990, down from earnings of $995,000, $1.73 per share, on revenue of $4,915,000 for the preceding year. The reduction in net earnings is primarily attributable to increased research and development in fiscal 1990 and the exhaustion of all tax loss and credit carryforwards which contributed approximately $240,000 to the net earnings of fiscal 1989.

One result of the company's investment in research and development was the introduction of the Airborne Bispectral Scanner (ABS) system in fiscal 1990. The ABS has a selling price of approximately $400,000 as compared to more than $1 million for the company's most popular multispectral system. The ABS incorporates many features which make it more cost-effective and easier to operate. The company believes that this new product will significantly broaden the market for remote sensing systems, and has orders for four of these systems to date.

Backlog as of Sept. 30, 1990, is approximately $2 million as compared to $2,300,000 one year earlier, the majority of which is expected to be filled in fiscal 1991. Several large contracts are in various stages of negotiation. Fiscal 1991 revenue will be significantly impacted by the timing and amount of new contracts currently under negotiation, but is likely to be lower than fiscal 1990 revenue. The company expects to report a loss for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 and perhaps for the first six months of the year. However, backlog at the end of the second quarter of the current fiscal year is expected to be much higher than that of Sept. 30, 1990, indicating the potential for renewed growth in the company's revenue and earnings for fiscal 1992.

Daedalus Enterprises, Inc. is a leading developer and manufacturer of remote

sensing instruments used for environmental measurement and monitoring.

The company's stock is traded in the over-the-counter market under the symbol "DDEI," and is quoted in the automated quotation system of the National Association of Securities Dealers.

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#90282p2841 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Charles Q. Miller has been named president of United Engineers & Constructors International, Inc.

United Engineers & Constructors (UE&C), a Raytheon Company (NYSE: RTN) subsidiary, provides engineering, construction and maintenance services to a wide range of industries across the U.S. and abroad.

Miller, 45, succeeds Gunnar E. Sarsten, who is resigning after seven years as UE&C president to pursue a new opportunity outside the company.

"We appreciate Gunnar Sarsten's contributions to the company over more than two decades," said Thomas L. Phillips, Raytheon chairman and CEO. "We're also gratified that the strength of our management ranks enables us to promote a person of Chuck Miller's capabilities."

Miller, who joined UE&C in 1974, most recently was vice president and general manager of UE&C's Stearns-Roger Division in Denver. Previously, he had been vice president and general manager of the Power Division in Philadelphia.

Miller holds a master's degree in applied mechanics from Stanford University, a law degree from Rutgers University and a bachelor's degree from the U.S. Naval Academy. From 1967 to 1974 he served as a Navy officer.

Miller is a registered professional engineer in eight states and a member of the bar in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Washington state.

United Engineers & Constructors is based in Philadelphia and employs 6,000 people worldwide. Its operations are in Philadelphia, Denver, London, Chicago Boston and Greenville, S.C.

The company has been a Raytheon subsidiary since 1969.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - In line with the expanding activities at Morgan Creek, both domestic and international, Morgan Creek has secured $75 million in revolving credit facilities. Making the announcement of these new facilities, Morgan Creek Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Gary Barber outlined two separate lines of credit; one for Morgan Creek Productions (domestic operations) and one for Morgan Creek International.

The domestic line is a facility agented and syndicated by Chemical Bank of New York. Chemical Bank and Signet Bank of Maryland have equal participations, marking Signet's first foray into the entertainment field. The foreign line is managed and agented by Credit Lyonnais bank Nederland -- Entertainment Business Division.

"We are extremely excited to support one of the most successful independents in the industry today and look forward to participating in the continued growth of Morgan Creek," stated John Miller of Chemical Bank.

"These additional funds will be utilized to support both production and distribution activities at Morgan Creek Productions and Morgan Creek International, as well as provide the necessary working capital requirements of the two corporations," stated Barber, who is also president of Morgan Creek International.

This revolving credit facility, together with the previously concluded $100 million joint venture with Nomura Babcock and Brown, and the significant funds invested by James G. Robinson, chairman and chief executive officer, have established Morgan Creek as one of the best capitalized and financially secure independent motion picture companies in the industry. These financing arrangements will provide Morgan Creek with the necessary working capital to meet its upcoming production slate and other expansion plans.

Morgan Creek released two box office hits this past summer: "Young Guns II" (gross to date more than $40 million), "Exorcist III" ($25 million) and the No. 1 movie in America last week, "Pacific Heights" (currently at $9 million).

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#90282p2846 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of ITT Corporation (NYSE: ITT), following its regularly scheduled meeting which was held at the facilities of the New York Stock Exchange, today announced an increase in the annual dividend rate on the company's common stock to $1.72 from $1.60. The board voted to increase the quarterly dividend by 3 cents -- from 40 cents per share to 43 cents per share -- payable on Jan. 1, 1991 to shareholders of

record at the close of business on Nov. 8.

Rand V. Araskog, ITT chairman and chief executive, said the decision of the board to increase the dividend at this time reflects the company's performance and sound financial position which have been enhanced by our debt reduction and share repurchase programs. "These significant programs clearly have benefited, and will continue to benefit the shareholders of ITT," Araskog said.

"Though we are currently operating in a recession, our outlook for ITT into 1991 justifies a dividend increase," Araskog continued. The ITT chairman emphasized that, unlike many insurance companies, ITT's Hartford subsidiary does not have any junk bonds or non-performing real estate assets in its investment portfolio. "The product, service, and geographic diversity of ITT provides us with resiliency in an economic downturn," Araskog said.

Araskog said that the company's share repurchase program continues. ITT has repurchased 32.5 million shares, representing an investment of $1.8 billion, since the inception of the program in 1987. This includes 11.7 million shares repurchased in connection with the establishment of an employee stock ownership plan. In 1990 the company has repurchased 8.6 million shares to date. The company has authorization from the board to purchase up to an additional 5.4 million shares.

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#90282p2847 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of ITT Corporation (NYSE: ITT) today declared quarterly dividends on shares of the corporation's cumulative preferred stock, payable on Nov. 30, 1990 to holders of record at the close of business on Nov. 8, 1990.

The dividend period is from Sept. 1, 1990 through Nov. 30, 1990, inclusive. Dividends were declared on the following issues:

$4.00 Convertible K	$1.00
$2.25 Convertible N	$0.5625
$5.00 Convertible O	$1.25

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#90282p2850 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Lep Group plc (NASDAQ-NMS: LEPGY) today announced that W. R. Berkeley, a non executive director, has disposed of 7.5

million ordinary shares and reduced his shareholding to 948,373 shares.

Berkley is chairman of Finevest Foods Inc. and as previously announced has agreed to inject $20 million equity into that company. The proceeds from a disposal of the Lep shares will finance this equity injection.

Lep's ordinary shares trade in the form of ADRs.

CONTACT: John R. East of Lep Group, in Epson, England: 011-44-372729595, or Christopher Fisher of Lazard Brothers & Co., 071-588-2721, for Lep Group; or William R. Berkley, president of Finevest, 203-629-2882

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#90282p2852 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CONCORD, CA. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Office Club (NASDAQ: OCLB), the nation's original membership warehouse chain offering brand name office supplies, furniture, business machines and computers at discounts up to 75 percent off list price, has announced several changes in its senior management.

Mark Begelman, 42, President and Chief Executive Officer, has also assumed the role of Chairman of the Board of Directors of The Office Club Inc. This promotion was unanimously approved by the Board in August.

Begelman has been with Office Club since 1986; prior to that he was Senior Vice President and General Manager of the furniture rental operation of the John Breuner Co., a subsidiary of British American Tobacco. He has also served as a Divisional Merchandise Manager of the Miami-based Jordan Marsh, and as Home Furnishings Buyer at Abraham & Strauss.

Howard Matthews, 36, the former Chief Financial Officer of Office Club, has been promoted to Executive Vice President/Chief Administrative Officer. As CAO, Matthews will oversee all finance, MIS and administrative operations for the rapidly growing company.

Before jointing Office Club in 1986, Matthews served as Corporate Controller at CBS Inc., where he developed a leveraged buyout plan for divestiture of the Pacific Stereo division. He later became CFO of Pacific Stereo.

Gary Foss, 47, has joined Office Club as Executive Vice President/Merchandising & Marketing. His most recent position was as President and Chief Executive Officer of Home Express. Prior to that, he spent 23 years with Mervyn's and its parent company, the Dayton Hudson Corp. He was also President and CEO of Brandon's, a Dayton Hudson start-up company.

"I am particularly excited about joining Office Club because I think it is in the same position that Mervyn's was in the 1970s. It has the same tremendous potential for growth," said Foss.

"I am also very impressed with Mark Begelman's management goal of building a major, dynamic company while maintaining the tight-knit culture of a small business. Our goal is to maintain rapid growth but without the usual layers of bureaucracy," Foss added.

Office Club's two new Executive Vice Presidents join Sam Gentles, 35, Executive Vice President/Operations, who oversees the daily operation of the warehouse stores and the entire sales staff.

Begelman said the management changes were necessary as Office Club continues its meteoric growth. There are currently 49 Office Club warehouse stores throughout nine Western states, with another two stores opening this year and plans for 20 to 25 additional stores in 1991.

Office Club stock is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol OCLB.

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#90282p2854 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Tredegar Industries, Inc. (NYSE: TG) announced today that it fully supports The Procter & Gamble Company's (NYSE: PG) efforts to accelerate the adoption of municipal solid waste composting in the U.S., Canada and abroad.

To supplement these efforts, Tredegar has been actively involved in the development of new materials to replace the existing backsheet for disposable diapers with a compostable material.

Tredegar's Film Products Division is a major supplier of the polyethylene film used in a variety of personal and health care products, including P&G's Pampers(R) and LUVS(R) disposable diapers.

P&G has announced that it will begin testing new compostable materials for diapers in 1991.

John D. Gottwald, Tredegar's president and chief executive officer, said: "We have been testing new materials for some time now. One of our strengths is technical development and our number one priority is to produce a compostable backsheet. This is an opportunity to further strengthen our long-standing relationship with P&G."

Tredegar Industries is a Fortune 500 manufacturer of plastics and aluminum products and has interests in coal, oil and gas.

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804-330-1043, both of Tredegar Industries, Inc.

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#90282p2859 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Lep Group plc (NASDAQ-NMS: LEPGY) notes that ADT has acquired a further 7.5 million shares in Lep, so that ADT's holding now represents some 27.3 percent of Lep's issued share capital.

Lep always welcomes all bona fide long term investors and it assumes that ADT is such an investor since both Lep and ADT have significant interests in the North American electronic security market, interests that are competitive. Therefore, there is no scope for Lep to have a relationship with ADT other than as a pure arm's length investor.

Lep has just announced a well received set of interim results. It has secured and is further developing a significant position in key markets with excellent growth prospects, namely:

- European physical distribution - international freight forwarding - electronic security

Lep has an excellent record and its prospects as an independent public company are first class. Neither the intrinsic nor strategic value of its businesses and assets have in any way been fully reflected in the recent prices at which ADT has been buying Lep's shares.

Lep's ordinary shares trade in the form of ADRs.

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#90282p2860 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Tenneco Inc. (NYSE: TGT) today announced that its Board of Directors declared a regular fourth quarter dividend of 80 cents per share on its common stock. The dividend is payable on Dec. 11 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 9.

This will be the company's 173rd consecutive quarterly common stock dividend payment. In July, Tenneco announced an increase of 4 cents in its quarterly common stock dividend. The increase brought the new annual rate to $3.20 compared with a previous annual rate of $3.04.

Tenneco's board also declared a dividend of $1.85 per share on its $7.40 cumulative preferred stock. The preferred stock dividend is payable on Dec.

31 to holders of record at the close of business on Nov. 23.

Tenneco Inc. (NYSE Symbol: TGT) is a Houston-based, diversified industrial corporation with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, automotive parts, shipbuilding, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Cherne Medical, Inc. (NASDAQ: CHNE) announced today that Charles F. Cuddihy, Jr., 64, president and chief executive officer, has resigned, effective immediately, and that David L. Printy, 44, has been named chairman, president and chief executive officer. Printy joined the company in July 1990 as chairman and has served on the board since 1987. In addition, the company announced that Mel I. Feldman, 46, has been named national sales manager, a new position, also effective immediately.

"I am pleased to have had an opportunity to be part of Cherne Medical for the last 20 months," said Cuddihy. "Now that David Printy is on board, I feel confident about turning the company over to his leadership."

"As Cherne Medical moves out of the product development phase, we need to build our sales and marketing force," said Printy. "With 20 years in the medical industry, Mel Feldman has the experience to oversee the sales and marketing of the Cherne System. He has consistently exceeded sales goals for the cardiovascular products he has managed, and we are pleased he is bringing his broad sales, management and industry experience to Cherne Medical."

Prior to joining Cherne Medical, Feldman was vice president of sales and marketing for Mankind Technologies Incorporated, a medical electronics company in St. Petersburg, Fla. From 1986 to 1990, he held several sales and marketing positions with General Electric Medical Systems, most recently serving as cardiology marketing manager. In this position, he was responsible for all diagnostic cardiology imaging modalities, accounting for more than $100 million in sales to GE Medical Systems.

From 1971 to 1986, Feldman held sales and marketing positions with several diagnostic imaging and medical products companies, including IVAC Corporation, a division of Eli Lilly; Baxter-Travenol Labs; and G.D. Searle.

Feldman received a bachelor's degree in business law and an M.B.A. in marketing from the University of Tennessee.

Cherne Medical, Inc., based in Minneapolis, manufactures and markets the Cherne System, a new, non-invasive, stress-free cardiac diagnostic instrument

capable of identifying coronary heart disease.

The common stock of Cherne Medical, Inc. is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol CHNE.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - General Signal Corporation (NYSE: GSX) announced today that its General Railway Signal (GRS) unit received notice from the City of Taipei, Taiwan, Republic of China, that it has been awarded a contract to provide signal control equipment for their new rail transit system.

The total value of the contract is $102.9 million (U.S.), of which the GRS content is approximately $50 million. Work on the project will commence shortly with delivery expected to begin in 1992 and completion scheduled for 1997. Specifically the award calls for the design, production, test and installation of a control system similar to what GRS provided to the Washington, D.C. Metro. The work will be on two lines currently under construction, which total 20 miles (33 km) and includes 31 stations. Approximately one-third of the work will be in subways, one-third on the surface, and one-third on elevated structures.

Taipei, located in the north of the island, is the capital of Taiwan with a population of 2.5 million people. This will be the first of several heavy rail transit systems to be built in Taiwan.

General Signal Corporation, with 1989 sales of $1.9 billion, is a leading manufacturer of equipment and systems for the process control, electrical, semiconductor, transportation, and telecommunications industries.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald E. Schrock has joined Hughes Aircraft Company as a group vice president and manager of the Microelectronic Circuits Division. He succeeds Karl H. Reissmueller, who is retiring at the end of the year after 32 years with the company.

Schrock, 45, comes to Hughes from Applied Micro-Circuits Corp., San Diego, where he served for the past five years as vice president of operations. Prior to that, he was vice president and general manager of the Data Productions Division of Burr Brown Corp., Tucson, and earlier was with

Motorola Semiconductor, Phoenix, for 15 years.

In his new post at Hughes, Schrock will also be responsible for the Advanced Circuits Technology Center in Manhattan Beach and the Semiconductor Products Center in Newport Beach, both previously part of Reismueller's responsibility.

Reismueller, 59, has been involved in the development and manufacture of advanced microelectronic products for military and space applications for most of his long career with Hughes. Named division manager at Newport Beach in 1985 and group vice president two years later, he served for the previous 15 years as product line manager for hybrid microcircuits.

Hughes' Newport Beach operation, with more than 1,200 employees, specializes in high-technology microelectronic products including large-scale integrated circuits, hybrid microcircuits and frequency control devices.

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ROCKY MOUNT, NC (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Boddie-Noell Restaurant Properties, Inc. (AMEX: BNP) today declared a $.34 per share dividend for the quarter which will be paid on November 15, 1990 to shareholders of record on October 30, 1990. The annualized dividend would equal $1.36 per share, providing a return of 13.4 percent based on yesterday's closing price of $10 1/8. This is the thirteenth consecutive quarter in which BNP has either increased or maintained its quarterly dividend.

Comparable restaurant sales for the period, upon which BNP's percentage rent is based, were essentially flat in the third quarter and up 3.4 percent for the nine month year-to-date period. The positive sales trends experienced in the first half of the year have moderated, due in part to weakness in overall consumer spending reflecting news about a potential recession and events in the Middle East.

Resultingly, revenues also were flat for the third quarter and up 1.0 percent for the year-to-date period. Earnings for the quarter mirror the results of last year at $.28 per share.

Year-to-date earnings are up slightly at $2,285,153 or $.80 per share, an increase of 1.9 percent over 1989. Cash distributable to shareholders generated this quarter was $986,763 or $.35 per share, compared to $986,415 generated in the third quarter of 1989. Total cash available for future distribution to shareholders was $1,090,508 at September 30, 1990.

Following are the combined Statements of Operations and Cash Distributable to Shareholders for the three and nine months ended September 30, 1990 and 1989.

Boddie-Noell Restaurant Properties, Inc., a real estate investment trust, owns the land and buildings associated with 47 Hardee's restaurants operated by Boddie-Noell Enterprises, Inc. BNP completed its initial public offering of 2,600,000 shares of common stock on May 27, 1987.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Alpha 1 Biomedicals, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALBM) and Eugene Tech International, Inc. of Allendale, N.J., announced today that they concluded an agreement in August 1990 for the development and future marketing of Thymosin alpha 1 in the Republic of Korea.

Under the terms of the agreement, Eugene Tech International, Inc. will seek to undertake clinical trials and regulatory approval of Thymosin alpha 1. Alpha 1 Biomedicals, Inc. will retain manufacturing rights for Thymosin alpha 1.

Separately, Alpha 1 announced that it has completed the purchase of certain rights in the United States for Thymosin alpha 1 from Hoffman-La Roche, Inc., of Nutley, N.J. Under a licensing agreement to Alpha 1, Hoffman-La Roche previously had, at its sole option, the right to buy back Alpha 1's license to Thymosin alpha 1 for certain medical indications, including the treatment of cancer and hepatitis B, and as a vaccine adjuvant.

Alpha 1 has made a payment to Hoffman-La Roche in exchange for Hoffman-La Roche terminating its right to buy back the license to Thymosin alpha 1.

Alpha 1 is a Washington-based biotechnology company that is engaged in the development of pharmaceutical products for the treatment of immune system deficiencies and resulting diseases. The company's principal products, the Thymosins, are natural and synthesized hormones of the thymus gland which act as modulators of the body's immune and neuroendocrine system. Clinical trials also have indicated a potential usefulness of Thymosin in increasing the effectiveness of influenza and hepatitis vaccines in elderly and immunocompromised individuals, and in treating several kinds of cancer.

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#90282p2882 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Procter & Gamble Company's (NYSE: PG) chairman and chief executive, Edwin L. Artzt, told shareholders at their annual meeting here today that unit volumes for the July-September period were

up strongly and represented another all-time record quarter for P&G. He added that final figures won't be available until later this month.

Commenting on the general condition of the economy, Artzt stated, "There is little doubt that the U.S. economy is showing recessionary signs. The increase in GNP year-to-year has dropped from 2.5 percent in the second quarter of 1989 to 1.2 percent in the second quarter of 1990. Consumer purchases of goods and services were up only 0.3 percent in the same three month period, although purchases of the kinds of products P&G makes have held up better than the overall average."

Regarding the likely impact of a recession on P&G's performance and plans, the chief executive told shareholders, "Past experience says that while our business is not recession-proof, we should expect to be able to grow the company's sales and earnings satisfactorily through a period of reduced economic activity." He went on to add, "We will conduct ourselves as we always do when things get tough. We'll pull in our belts, we'll work even harder to offer consumers better quality and value in our products, and we'll move forward with plans for the growth and expansion of our business worldwide."

Expressing optimism about P&G's business in the year ahead, Artzt noted that the company is considerably more diversified than it was ten years ago. "Our business is more global with better than 40 percent of our sales coming from international operations, and our major brands are generally healthy and well positioned competitively within their categories worldwide," he said. He also stated his intention to continue his predecessors' tradition of focusing on the company's long-term interests.

Artzt devoted the remainder of his remarks to a discussion of the company's environmental program and initiatives. He told shareholders, "We at Procter & Gamble feel a real responsibility to help preserve our world's environment through research, education and action. Our policy is to be proactive -- to be out front -- and not merely responsive to pressure on environmental issues."

Focusing on solid waste, Artzt shared the company's objective. "We envision a world in which a bare minimum of products and packages is tossed away. We envision that what does get thrown away will be reused, recycled, composted or incinerated -- with landfills used only as a last resort."

Artzt said, "We need to deal with organic solid waste in a different way. We need to compost it and return it to the environment as nutrient rich humus. Municipal composting is exciting technology and it really works."

In closing, Artzt said, "We are proud of what we are doing, but we still have much to do, and we will get it done with dispatch."

In voting at the annual meeting, all directors whose terms were due to expire

were elected to terms expiring in 1993.

Five shareholder proposals, opposed by the board, were rejected.

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#90282p2886 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Gerald Greenwald, chief executive officer of United Employee Acquisition Corp. (UEAC), stated today that: "We regret that United's board of directors has rejected our effort to stabilize the airline and provide value to its shareholders through employee ownership. We continue to believe that employee ownership is the only answer for employees and stockholders alike. Our latest proposals -- and the valuable employee concessions to finance them -- will remain available briefly for consideration. The three unions are working under open contracts and must now also return to traditional trade union activities while continuing to pursue employee ownership."

UEAC had submitted to the board of directors of UAL Corporation (NYSE: UAL) two alternative proposals to acquire UAL.

The first proposal, with a face value of $205 per share, provides that shareholders of UAL would receive, for each share of UAL, $70 in cash, $31 in senior secured notes, $18.50 in Series A equipment trust certificates, $23 in Series B equipment trust certificates, $32.50 in senior exchangeable preferred stock and a contingent payment obligation that would provide to shareholders as much as $30 per share in cash if UAL achieves certain earnings or asset targets.

The cash portion of the consideration would be payable from a number of sources including $750 million in financing provided by equipment vendors. Proposals from the relevant providers of such funds with respect to substantially all such cash financing, were described to the board.

The $511 million of Series A equipment trust certificates would be senior obligations secured by 14 Boeing 757 aircraft and three spare engines with an appraised value of approximately $639 million, would bear interest, payable semi-annually in cash, at 11.5 percent per annum; and would be payable as to principal in five equal installments from the eleventh through fifteenth years after issuance.

The $611 million of Series B equipment trust certificates would be senior obligations secured by ten Boeing 747 aircraft, 27 DC10 aircraft and 23 spare engines with an appraised value of approximately $873 million; would bear interest, payable semi-annually in cash, at 11.5 percent per annum; and would

be payable as to principal in six equal installments from the third through eighth years after issuance.

The $689 million of senior secured notes would be secured by substantially all of the assets of UAL and its subsidiaries, excluding those assets otherwise pledged as collateral; would bear interest, payable semi-annually in cash, at 12 percent per annum (or at the option of UAL, 14 percent per annum, payable 9 percent in cash and 5 percent in additional senior secured notes); and payable as to principal in two equal installments in the sixth and seventh years after issuance.

The $722 million of senior exchangeable preferred stock will pay dividends at 12 percent per annum, cumulative, payable quarterly in cash, and matures 12 years after issuance.

The contingent payment obligations would provide to UAL shareholders, five years from the date of issuance, an amount from $0 to $30 per share (up approximately $667 million), based on the future performance of UAL.

The offer was constructed to provide a fair noncontingent price to UAL shareholders in the existing volatile economic environment, with the possibility of as much as $30 per share of additional consideration if UAL's performance exceeds certain performance criteria.

A second proposal was presented to the UAL board to provide assurance that a transaction could be completed even if no outside cash was available at the closing. That proposal consisted of $178 per share of senior secured notes and $25 per share of senior exchangeable preferred stock.

The $3.957 billion of senior secured notes will bear interest at 9 percent per annum, payable semi-annually in cash, and would be payable as to principal in three equal installments in the fifth, sixth and seventh years after issuance. Such notes would be secured by liens on substantially all of the assets of UAL and its subsidiaries.

The $556 million of senior exchangeable preferred stock will pay dividends at 12 percent per annum, cumulative, payable quarterly in cash, and matures 12 years after issuance.

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WICHITA, KS (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Midwest Inc. (NASDAQ: AMWI) reported that it carried 69,623 passengers during September of 1990, a decrease of 11.3 percent over the 78,453 passengers boarded in the like period last year.

Revenue passenger miles were down .5 percent to 15,548,522 and available seat miles decreased from 38,747,362 to 36,865,377 in the like reporting period, a decrease of 4.9 percent. The load factor for September, 42.2 percent, is an increase of 1.9 percentage points from last year.

AIR MIDWEST INC.

	Month Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989	Percent Change
Passengers	69,623	78,453	-11.3
Available seat miles	36,865,377	38,747,362	-4.9
Revenue passenger miles	15,548,522	15,631,476	-0.5
Load factor	42.2pct.	40.3pct.	1.9 points

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989	Percent Change
Passengers	601,610	731,657	-17.8
Available seat miles	323,207,191	338,423,361	-4.5
Revenue passenger miles	134,116,542	143,022,646	-6.2
Load factor	41.5pct.	42.3pct.	-0.8points

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Provident Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: PRBK) announced today that net earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $5,163,000 or $.65 per share, compared to $4,504,000 or $.59 per share for the same period in 1989. Net earnings increased 15 percent during the third quarter of 1990 when compared to the same period in 1989. Net earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $14,093,000 or $1.78 per share compared to $14,075,000 or $1.84 per share for the same period in 1989.

Provident Bancorp, Inc. is a bank holding company headquartered in Cincinnati. Its principal subsidiary is The Provident Bank, which has 32 offices - 29 in the Greater Cincinnati area, one in Columbus and two in Cleveland.

Summary

Consolidated Statement of	1990	1989
Earnings Data Three Months Ended September 30:		
Net Earnings	$5,163,000	$4,504,000
Earnings Per Share	$.65	$.59
Average Number of Shares	7,763,000	7,619,000
Nine Months Ended September 30:		
Net Earnings	$14,093,000	$14,075,000

Earnings Per Share	$1.78	$1.84
Average Number of Shares	7,736,000	7,655,000

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#90282p2896 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Applebee's International, Inc., (NASDAQ: APPB) announced today that as of Saturday, Oct. 13, there will be 150 franchisee and company owned and operated Applebee's restaurants open, 12 under construction and 21 new sites approved. Applebee's has been approved for franchising in all 50 states and, as a result, is reviewing a significant number of new franchise applications. The company began the year with 113 restaurants.

The company pointed out that, while site approvals do not always result in new restaurant openings, the number of sites approved is a reasonable indicator of new restaurant potential.

Abe Gustin, president, said that the 150th Applebee's restaurant, opening Oct. 13 in Conyers, Ga., is owned by franchisee William F. Palmer. "It's particularly gratifying to us that Bill Palmer, who founded Applebee's in 1980 is the person to reach the 150 restaurant milestone for us. Mr. Palmer is one of our best franchisee operators and the Conyers restaurant is his eighth Applebee's unit."

Applebee's also said that it has purchased approximately 86,000 shares of its stock under a stock buy-back program announced Sept. 17, 1990. The company indicated that it will continue to purchase its shares at current market prices which it believes do not reflect the real valuation of the company.

Applebee's International, Inc., headquartered in Kansas City, Mo., develops, franchises and operates a rapidly expanding national chain of restaurants under the trademark Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar.

CONTACT: Jack Falker of Swenson/Falker Associates Inc., 612-371-0000 for Applebee's International; or Sue Carroll of Applebee's International, 816-421-2501

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#90282p2898 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIBERTY CORNER, N.J. OCT. 9 PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Blessings Corporation (AMEX: BCO) today announced it has declared a quarterly dividend of 16-1/2 cents per share on common stock, payable Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 1.

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#90282p2899 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Satellite Transmission and Reception Specialists (STARS) President, David G. Olson and STARS Production Services Inc. (SPSI) President and Chief Operating Officer, Angelo Ricco, announced today that the company is completing the major facilities expansion of its existing satellite television transmission service capabilities in the Los Angeles area.

The new STARS facility is located in Sherman Oaks, Calif., and contains tape origination, duplication, playback, standards conversion, post production, distribution capabilities, and administrative offices. The center is interconnected with the Pac-Tel fiber network, regional fiber carriers, the STARS digital and analog microwave network, the SPSI New York Tape Center and the STARS Los Angeles and Houston domestic and international satellite teleports.

STARS West Coast facilities now provide direct access to the Hollywood telecommunications hub. The state of the art services establish STARS as a prime single source for television news, entertainment and sports networks and independent producers seeking a full service provider to serve their distribution and communications needs.

Olson said: "This expansion of our presence on the West Coast represents a major new resource for our existing television and cable broadcast customers. It also provides an important opportunity for the cost efficient management and distribution of the products of independent producers and syndicators. STARS continues its commitment to building the most diverse communication network available anywhere in the world."

Ricco concurred and added: "The expansion to the West Coast was a direct response to meet the needs of our major film and broadcast customers. The combined capabilities of STARS on the East, West and Gulf Coasts is essential to our ability to meet the demanding standards of our customers in the industry."

STARS owns an international satellite communication network with facilities in Los Angeles, Houston, New York, Denver, and Mexico City. SPSI is a wholly owned subsidiary of STARS with full service tape centers in New York and Los Angeles.

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#90282p2900 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
ARMONK, NY (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - A new booklet on the basics of municipal bonds, A Municipal Bond Primer, has been published by MBIA Corporation (NYSE: MBI), the leader in the municipal bond insurance business. The Primer's author is Leon J. Karvelis, Jr., executive vice president of the corporate development and marketing services division at MBIA Corporation. Karvelis has more than 20 years of experience in financial guarantee insurance and public finance.

A Municipal Bond Primer describes the advantages of owning tax-free securities and provides readers with the who's, what's, when's, where's how's and why's of one of the few tax shelters still left for investors. The booklet is written in clear, concise language, and chapters range from How do I decide what kind of bonds to buy? to Is there a way to compare the return on taxable and tax-free investments? A Municipal Bond Primer is available for $3 from MBIA Corporation. Call 914-765-3891.

"The Primer is aimed at the American taxpayer who knows that investing in municipal bonds can cut his taxes, but doesn't know much about how bonds work " Karvelis said. "We called it 'A Municipal Bond Primer' because it's a text that covers the basic elements. It cuts through the jargon and mystery, and gives a prospective investor enough knowledge so that he or she can talk to a broker about municipal bonds with some degree of assurance."

Municipal Bond Investors Assurance Corporation insures municipal bonds, including new issues, bonds traded in the secondary market and those held in unit investment trusts and mutual funds. MBIA Corporation is a wholly owned subsidiary of MBIA, Inc.

CONTACT: Debra Desoloux of MBIA Inc., 914-765-3895.

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#90282p2902 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Wean Industries Inc. (NYSE: WID) today announced the appointment of Edward J. Rieke to the new position of manager of projects.

Rieke brings to the company 25 years of experience in the metals equipment industry.

From 1965 to 1985, he held a number of managerial posts with Dravo Corp., and during the past five years, he served first as operations manager and subsequently as general manager of engineering and operations at Davy McKee Corp. in Pittsburgh.

Rieke earned a B.S. degree in mathematics at St. Vincent College, a B.S.

degree in electrical engineering at Carnegie Mellon University, and a number of credits toward an M.B.A. degree at the University of Pittsburgh. He also has completed a senior management program at Cranfield College, Bedford, England, an executive development program at Ohio State University, and an American Management Association senior project management program.

He is a member of the National Management Association, the National Association of Purchasing Management, and the Association of Iron and Steel Engineers.

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#90282p2906 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Glen J. Milesko has joined Banc One Corporation (NYSE: ONE) as a senior insurance executive, it was announced by John B. McCoy, chairman and chief executive officer of Banc One Corporation, which is headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. "He brings to Banc One over 19 years of management experience in the insurance industry," McCoy said.

In the newly created position, Milesko will have responsibility for all insurance activities of Banc One affiliates, including credit- related life insurance and other insurance programs made available to bank customers.

Prior to joining Banc One Corporation, Milesko had been president and chief executive officer since 1984 of Elan Insurance Services, Inc., Elan Life Insurance Co., Elan Title Services Co. and Elan Investments, Inc., which are subsidaries of Firstar (NYSE: FSR) of Milwaukee. From 1982 until 1984, he served as vice president and director of marketing with Meridian Insurance Companies in Indianapolis. From 1975 until 1982, he was senior vice president of sales and marketing with Risk Planners, Inc. Insurance, a subsidiary of Super Valu Stores, Inc., Minneapolis. He started his career in the insurance industry in 1971 with Commercial Union Insurance Company in Minneapolis.

Milesko holds a B.A. degree in history and education from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Ill. He is married with two children.

Banc One Corporation reported assets of $27.9 billion, not including Bank One, Texas, and common equity of $2.69 billion as of June 30, 1990. Bank One, Texas reported assets of $13.1 billion. Banc One Corporation now operates 52 banking organizations in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin and Texas with 716 offices.

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#90282p2912 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - ITT Corporation (NYSE: ITT) named five individuals and five teams of employees winners of the 12th annual Harold S. Geneen Awards at a dinner here last evening at The Sheraton Centre Hotel and Towers.

Named for ITT's chairman emeritus, the employee awards program was established in 1979 to identify and recognize ITT employees worldwide for outstanding achievements that significantly benefit the corporation. Each of the winners received cash awards and the coveted Harold S. Geneen Galaxy trophy in recognition of their achievements.

Rand V. Araskog, ITT chairman and chief executive, presented the awards to the winners before an audience of top ITT officers and members of the ITT Board of Directors. In his remarks, Araskog congratulated the select group of winners for their outstanding accomplishments, which exceeded the high standards against which nominees were judged for the top management awards. "These winners stood out among their colleagues for their determination, willingness to take risks and make the tough decisions that are necessary to generate outstanding results," Araskog observed during the awards presentation. Araskog added that these qualities reflect the business philosophy of Geneen, for whom the awards are named.

The winners were chosen from candidates representing dozens of ITT companies around the world. Originally established to honor creative management, the awards program was subsequently expanded to include individual and unique team achievements.

With the exception of top senior executives reporting directly to Araskog, virtually all of ITT's 119,000 employees were eligible for consideration.

The 1990 winner for creative management was Gerhard Reuber, Manager, Development and Tools, ITT Teves in Bergneustadt, Germany.

The four winners for individual achievement were: Sherman A. Murphy, Director, Communications Technology, ITT Hartford, Hartford, Conn.; Douglas E. Ott, Senior Technical Consultant, ITT Avionics, Nutley, N.J.; Georges Peeraer, Controller, ITT Promedia, Antwerp, Belgium; and James K. Pratt, Director, Statistical Management Programs, ITT Headquarters, New York.

The five awards for unique team achievement were presented to: the ALQ-136 Radar Jammer Team of ITT Avionics in Clifton, NJ; the Fullers Team of ITT Sheraton in Seattle, WA; the Galfer Team of ITT Teves in Barge, Italy; the Gallium Arsenide Technology Center Team of ITT Defense in Roanoke, Va.; and the Japan Management Team of ITT World Directories in Tokyo and Osaka.

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#90282p2915 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. PAUL, MINN. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Coleman Bloomfield, chairman and chief executive officer of Minnesota Mutual, today announced that John (Jack) F. Grundhofer has been elected to Minnesota Mutual's board of trustees. Grundhofer joined First Bank System, Inc. in January 1990 as chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Prior to joining First Bank, Grundhofer was vice chairman and senior executive officer of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. in Los Angeles. Grundhofer serves as a director of the Minneapolis Institute of Arts, the Guthrie Theater and is a member of the board of regents of Loyola Marymount University of Los Angeles. He is both a director and a member of the board of regents of the UCLA Graduate School of Business.

With $90 billion of insurance in force, Minnesota Mutual ranks among the top 1 percent of life insurance companies in the United States and serves more than eight million people nationwide. It is rated AAA by Standard and Poor's, Aa1 by Moody's Investors Services and A+ by Best's.

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#90282p2917 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
PARSIPPANY, N.J. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - General Public Utilities Corp. (NYSE: GPU) has won Electrical World's 1990 James H. McGraw Award for its contributions to nuclear plant technology.

In accepting the award, Standley H. Hoch, chairman, president and chief executive officer of GPU, stressed that the award belongs to GPU's employees.

"I am very proud to accept this award on behalf of GPU and all of the many people at GPU Nuclear Corp. Their technical skills and hard work have enabled the corporation to remain a leader in developing technologies in the nuclear area," Hoch said.

Electrical World is a leading trade publication for the utilities industry.

GPU Nuclear Corp., a subsidiary of General Public Utilities Corp., is responsible for the operation, maintenance and management of GPU's nuclear facilities.

GPU won the award for its "significant and unique contributions to the advancement of the technology for operating, maintaining and decommissioning nuclear units," according to the citation from Electrical World. GPU was

specifically cited for its work in developing and using pre-programmed robotic equipment.

Parsippany, N.J.-based General Public Utilities is the nation's 15th largest investor-owned utility. It provides approximately 39 billion kilowatt hours of electricity for approximately 1.9 million customers through three operating companies -- Jersey Central Power & Light Co., Metropolitan Edison Co. and Pennsylvania Electric Co.

The Electrical World awards are given annually to recognize accomplishments that contribute to the advancement of the electrical industry. In addition to the Technology Award won by GPU, other awards were given for Management and Leadership and Design. The awards were presented at ceremonies in New York City on Oct. 4.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - General Signal Corporation (NYSE: GSX), commenting on an earlier wire service report, announced today that negotiations are under way with prospective purchasers of its rail transportation units. The corporation declined any further comment.

General Signal Corporation, with 1989 sales of $1.9 billion, is a leading manufacturer of equipment and systems for the process control, electrical, semiconductor, transportation and telecommunications industries.

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DECATUR, GA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - DFSoutheastern Inc. (NASDAQ: DFSE), the holding company for Decatur Federal Savings and Loan Association, today announced that it will continue its strategy of increasing its reserves for possible loan losses throughout the balance of this year.

The company is anticipating that this strategy as well as continuing concerns about the economy will reduce earnings for the third and fourth quarters of 1990.

"We consider this move to be prudent and in keeping with our conservative management practices. Our decision to accelerate additions to the loan loss reserves will provide more comfort for all investors regarding our future earnings potential," commented Robert C. McMahan, chairman of the board and

chief executive officer.

"We have noted that the values on commercial real estate properties continue to fall because of excess capacity and other economic concerns in the Southeast. We are finding that general weakness in the economy combined with the current interest rate environment is affecting the demand for this type of property. We remain cautious; therefore, we will continue increasing our reserves," added McMahan.

Decatur Federal Savings and Loan Association, the wholly owned subsidiary of DFSoutheastern Inc., has 28 branch offices and five mortgage loan offices serving metropolitan Atlanta and north Georgia. Fairfield Mortgage Services Inc., a wholly owned mortgage subsidiary of Decatur Federal, operates 15 mortgage loan offices in Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama and north Florida. DFSoutheastern's common stock is traded in the NASDAQ Over-the-Counter Securities Exchange under the symbol "DFSE."

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chief financial officer, 404-371-4074, both of DFSoutheastern

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PURCHASE, NY (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - IP Forest Resources Company (IPFR), managing general partner of IP Timberlands, Ltd. (NYSE: IPT) (IPT), today reported third-quarter 1990 earnings of $28 million on total revenues of $50 million. Earnings per Class A depositary unit were 81 cents. These results compare with 1989 third-quarter earnings of $42 million total revenues of $77 million and earnings per Class A depositary unit of 94 cents.

For the first nine months of 1990, IPT's earnings were $82 million on total revenues of $147 million, with earnings per Class A unit of $2.28. These compared with 1989 nine-month earnings of $91 million on total revenues of $166 million and earnings per Class A unit of $2.32.

Earnings for both the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 are down when compared with the same periods a year ago because 1989 earnings included approximately $15 million from a single land sale.

IPT declared a third-quarter partnership distribution to Class A unitholders of 72 cents per unit payable Nov. 14, 1990, to unitholders of record on Sept. 28.

IP TIMBERLANDS, LTD.
(A Texas Limited Partnership)
Summary of Partnership Earnings
Preliminary and Unaudited
(In millions, except per-unit data)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$50	$77	$147	$166
Net partnership earnings	28	42	82	91
Per Class A depositary unit:				
Earnings	$.81	$.94	$2.28	$2.32
Distributions	.72	.68	2.16	2.04

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#90282p2928 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Credit Systems Inc. (CSI), one of the nation's largest third-party processors of credit cards, named as executive vice president W. David Huddleston. Huddleston has nearly 30 years of experience in the financial services industry.

Huddleston's primary responsibilities will include CSI's new business acquisition and marketing programs. "We are extremely pleased to have someone with Dave's experience join the CSI team," commented Philip E. Sattler, president and chief executive officer. "CSI prides itself on understanding its customers' business, and Dave's knowledge of the bank card business from a user perspective makes him uniquely qualified to direct our new business programs."

During his career Huddleston has been responsible for a wide range of credit card activities. Most recently, he developed and installed a national credit card program for The National Trust for Historical Preservation, Washington, D.C. This involved contractual negotiations for bank processing, operating procedures and development of a marketing plan for approximately 530 cities in more than 30 states.

From 1982 through 1988, he was president of Associates National Bank, where his responsibilities included overseeing a two-million-customer base of both Visa and MasterCard accounts. He also served as executive vice president of Associates Corp.

Huddleston has also served as senior vice president of retail lending of Crocker National Bank. His first assignment there was to restructure and correct problems in the Credit Card Division. Earlier, he had been hired by Cleveland Trust Co., now Ameritrust, to initiate its BankAmericard Division.

Founded in 1967, CSI was one of the nation's earliest credit card processors. Today it provides services to about 1,000 financial institutions. In fiscal 1990, CSI's combined MasterCard Visa private label dollar volume exceeded $6

billion. CSI currently processes about two million cardholder accounts and serves 100,000 merchant outlets. While originally formed as an association of Midwestern banks, the company is now a national processor serving banks as far west as the Bank of America in California and as far east as Butterfield Bank in Bermuda.

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#90282p2930 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - AM Diagnostics, Inc. today announced it reached an agreement to assume operational and management control of Greiner Instruments France ("GIF"). In addition, AM Diagnostics has acquired the medical product assets including technology and results of research efforts from the estate of Greiner Instruments A.G. of Lagenthal, Switzerland, In exchange, AM Diagnostics will provide GIF with continued support to its existing customer base through the distribution of spare parts, consumables, reagents and technical assistance.

Under this agreement, AM Diagnostics has the option to purchase all of the capital stock of GIF until June 30, 1992. AM Diagnostics has assumed control of GIF's European sales/service and reagent group. Sales and service activities for GIF will be performed in connection with France Monitor SARL, AM Diagnostics' French subsidiary. The GIF product line is compatible with AM Diagnostics and the GREINER G 450 instrument, a blood analyzer, will provide AM Diagnostics with access to a new market segment.

"This agreement provides us with advanced technology to enhance our current research capabilities," said Michael J. Treble, chief executive officer of AM Diagnostics. "GIF's market also gives us immediate access to existing customers and the growing high-capacity analyzer market."

Andre L. Steiner, managing director of GIF, stated that "With the stability achieved by this agreement, GIF will continue to sell quality clinical chemistry equipment and reagents including the high-quality Swiss product GREINER G 450. The assistance of AM Diagnostics assures worldwide customer support by supplying spare parts, consumables, reagents and technical assistance for our current and future customers."

AM Diagnostics, Inc. manufactures and markets automated blood chemistry testing equipment and the associated consumable diagnostic reagents to the worldwide health-care market.

CONTACT: Mark J. Maten, 317-872-0300, or Yvonne Marschner-Bova, 313-871-3606, both of AM Diagnostics, Inc.

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#90282p2936 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
WHEELING, WV (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp. (NYSE: QWHX) today announced price increases on a variety of extra charges for its flat rolled products effective with shipments Dec. 30, 1990.

The increases are in addition to base prices previously announced by Wheeling-Pittsburgh and are in line with those announced by other producers.

CONTACT: R.A. Johnson of Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel, 304-234-2440

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#90282p2945 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
PARSIPPANY, NJ (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Armco Inc. (NYSE: AS) announced that it will use a proration rate of approximately 53 percent in connection with the purchase of its outstanding 13-1/2 percent senior notes due 1994. As a result approximately 53 percent of notes validly tendered by each noteholder will be purchased by Armco. The amount purchased with respect to each noteholder will be rounded up to the nearest $1,000.

As previously reported, the amount of notes to be purchased by Armco is being prorated because Armco had agreed to purchase up to 30 percent of the outstanding notes and more than 30 percent of the outstanding notes were tendered in connection with the recently-completed solicitation of consents to an amendment to the note indenture.

Payment is intended to be made to the tendering noteholders on or about Oct. 15, 1990. Payment of the consent fees is intended to be made on or about Oct. 9, 1990.

CONTACT: Sandy Parker of Armco, 201-316-5330

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#90282p2948 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
CINCINNATI, (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) today voted to continue, until the year 2000, the 80 percent shareholder voting provisions in the company's Amended Articles of Incorporation and Regulations.

The provisions require an 80 percent shareholder vote for certain major corporate transactions. These include: 1) transactions with a 5 percent shareholder, 2) increases or decreases in the number of directors, 3) removal of directors, 4) changes which provide for staggered board terms and indemnification of officers and directors, and 5) any amendments to the articles or regulations which change the 80 percent voting requirements.

These provisions, adopted by the company's shareholders in 1985, expressly authorized the directors to extend the provisions from 1990 until the year 2000.

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#90282p2953 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) announced today that it plans to increase the annual rate of its common stock dividend from $1.80 to $2 per share.

In line with this action, P&G directors declared a quarterly dividend of $.50 per share payable on or after Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record at close of business on Oct. 19, 1990.

The company's current fiscal year which began July 1, 1990 will be the 35th consecutive year in which the per share dividend paid by P&G will have increased. The company has been paying dividends without interruption since its incorporation in 1890.

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#90282p2962 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

UPPER DARBY, PA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Bell Savings Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: BSBX), the holding company parent of Bell Savings Bank PaSA, announced today that it is revising its financial statements for the fourth quarter and year ended June 30, 1990.

During the course of closing Bell Savings' year-end accounts, it became apparent that certain loans not classified at June 30 had thereafter become materially delinquent or otherwise exhibited weaknesses. In keeping with management's determination to conduct the operations of Bell Savings in a fiscally conservative manner, and in light of the continuing deterioration of the region's real estate market and general economy, management concluded that the most prudent course was to adjust upward by $8.8 million its earlier estimate of an appropriate provision for losses for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, rather than accounting for such increase as of Sept. 30, 1990. Additionally, management charged off $14.2 million in loans and $2.9 million in interest previously accrued, which resulted in an increased tax benefit of $3.9 million.

In an earlier statement, the company announced a fourth quarter 1990 loss of

$10.9 million and a $23.3 million loss for fiscal 1990. With the adjustments described above, the fourth quarter and fiscal 1990 losses for the year ended June 30, 1990, are $18.7 million and $31.1 million, respectively.

The loss of $18.7 million, or $7.47 per share, for the fourth quarter 1990 compares with net income of $701,000 or $.28 per share for fourth quarter of 1989. The loss of $31.1 million or $12.44 per share for fiscal 1990 compares with net income of $4.4 million or $1.74 per share for fiscal 1989.

As a result of the additional charge to operations, the company further increased its deficiency in risk-based capital to $25.4 million, and now also falls short of the core capital requirement by $7.8 million. The company continues to exceed its minimum tangible capital requirement. The company is preparing a revised capital plan reflecting these changes which will be filed with the Office of Thrift Supervision within the week. The capital plan provides for a return to full capital compliance within the next several years.

BELL SAVINGS HOLDINGS INC.
Statement of Earnings
(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

Periods ended	Three months		Twelve months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest income	$20,078	$22,433	$91,748	$76,190
Interest expense	16,723	15,026	66,467	49,344
Net interest income	3,355	7,407	25,281	26,846
Provision for loan losses	13,994	750	30,304	2,500
Net interest income after provision for loan loss	(10,639)	6,657	(5,023)	24,346
Other operating income	(5,820)	490	(1,517)	5,652
Other expenses	7,674	5,756	28,528	21,472
Income before income taxes	(24,133)	1,391	(35,068)	8,526
Income tax expense (benefit)	(5,454)	690	(3,966)	4,165
Net income	(18,679)	701	(31,102)	4,361
Earnings per share	$(7.47)	$.28	$(12.44)	$1.74

Selected Financial Data
(In thousands)

At June 30	1990	1989
Total assets	$917,177	$856,631
Total loans	717,731	678,662
Total liabilities	891,684	802,036
Net worth	25,493	56,595
Book value per share	10.19	22.63

Other Data

Periods ended	Three months		Twelve months	
June 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest rate spread (pct.)	1.83	4.01	3.19	4.05
Net yield on interest earning assets (pct.)	1.59	3.93	3.03	4.06

Return on average assets (pct.)	(7.97)	0.34	(3.37)	0.60
Return on average equity (pct.)	NM	5.01	NM	7.97
Average equity to average assets (pct.)	4.06	6.73	5.49	7.49
Ratio of interest earning assets to interest bearing liabilities (average balances)	0.97x	0.99x	0.98x	1.00x

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MOUNT KISCO, N.Y. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - TWA Getaway Vacations Christmas and 1991 Hawaii prices and brochure are now available.

The 1991 Getaway Hawaii program has been expanded, with the addition of more than 30 new properties, an Escorted Hawaii program, Special Honeymoon and Senior Savings packages, "Kids Free in Room policy," and a new Getaway Value promotion.

New, Easy-to-Read Format for 1991 Brochure

The 1991 brochure has undergone a format change, making it easier to read and compare the excellent value-for-money packages offered. All hotels/condos are rated by industry standards and guidelines, and hotel/condo descriptions feature easy-to-understand symbols indicating whether the hotel/condo is participating in the Special Honeymoons and Senior Savings packages, Kids Free in Room policy or has been designated a special Getaway Value. Beachfront properties are indicated with a beach umbrella symbol. Both three- and seven-night package prices are listed for each property, with both an exterior and interior picture.

Special Honeymoons and Senior Savings

In conjunction with hotels throughout Hawaii, Getaway is offering special free Honeymoon and Senior bonuses. For example, all Hyatt's on Oahu, Maui, Kauai and the Big Island offer champagne upon arrival for honeymoon couples or a room upgrade to the next category for seniors. Sheraton Hotels in Hawaii are offering champagne plus a room upgrade to the next category for all honeymooners and seniors (with a minimum of three-night stays.) Selected Outrigger Hotels in Hawaii are offering a free mini photo album for all honeymooners and seniors. Hilton Hawaiian Village offers honeymooners a room upgrade to the next category. In all, more than 65 hotels are participating with Getaway on the special Honeymoons and Senior Savings packages. (All special bonuses are complimentary when booking Getaway Hawaii packages. Certain restrictions may apply. Senior age policy differs at each hotel, starting at 60 or 62 years of age.)

Escorted Hawaii -- New for 1991
New to the 1991 Getaway Hawaii program is an 11-day Escorted program, visiting Oahu, Maui and Kauai. Sheraton Hotels in Hawaii and Getaway have teamed up to offer all first class hotels -- Sheraton Princess Kaiulani in Waikiki (Oahu), Sheraton Maui on Maui and Sheraton Kauai on Kauai. Included in the package are all hotel accommodations, based on double occupancy, full American breakfast daily, half-day sightseeing on each island, special highlight dinners including a luau on Oahu, welcome Mai Tai punch cocktails upon arrival at each hotel, roundtrip air from St. Louis and 30 other Midwest cities, inter-island airfare and services of a tour director from arrival in Oahu on Day 1 to departure from Oahu on Day 11. Prices start at $1,989 from St. Louis and 30 other Midwest cities. (Low add-ons are available from all other TWA gateway cities.)

Kids Free in Room at Selected Hotels
Hawaii is a great destination for families, and in 1991 Getaway has highlighted those properties featured in the Hawaii program which allow children to stay in their parents' room free of charge. Policies vary between hotels, but ages of children who may stay free range from 12 and under to 21 and under. Children are free in the room with parents when using existing bedding.

For reservations, information and brochures, call 800-GETAWAY.

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#90282p2970 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
BUFFALO, N.Y. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - First Empire State Corporation ("First Empire") (AMEX: FES) announced 1990 third quarter earnings per share of $2.12, an 18 percent improvement from the $1.79 earned in last year's third quarter. Net income in the recently completed quarter was $14,402,000, up 12 percent from $12,857,000 achieved in the comparable period a year ago. During the first nine months of 1990 net income totaled $40,972,000, or $5.99 per share, rising 7 percent and 13 percent from 1989's $38,202,000 and $5.29 per share, respectively. The 1989 nine-month results cited exclude the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle recognized in the first quarter of last year.

First Empire's earnings subsequent to Sept. 28, 1990, include the operating results of thirteen former branches of Empire Federal Savings Bank of America ("EOA"). On that date, First Empire's principal banking subsidiary, Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company ("M&T Bank"), assumed approximately $1.2 billion of deposit liabilities of the Western New York division of EOA and acquired approximately $450 million of loans principally secured by residential mortgages. In connection with this transaction, M&T Bank received

approximately $800 million in cash, net of a $12 million purchase premium.

Net interest income on a taxable-equivalent basis rose 22 percent to $59.8 million in 1990's third quarter, compared with $49.2 million a year earlier. This increase was driven by growth in average earning assets which were up 13 percent over last year's levels. Net interest margin, expressed as an annualized percentage of average earning assets, was 3.72 percent for the third quarter of 1990, widening from 3.45 percent a year ago.

First Empire's third quarter provision for possible credit losses was $6,709,000 compared with last year's third quarter provision of $3,396,000. The increased provision was principally the result of higher net charge-offs, which totaled $4,898,000 in the recent quarter compared with $1,801,000 in 1989's third quarter. The larger provision, which exceeded net charge-offs by $1,811,000, together with $3,000,000 added to the allowance as a result of purchase accounting adjustments on the acquisition of EOA loans, raised the allowance for possible credit losses to $70.6 million at Sept. 30, 1990. Principally as a result of acquiring the EOA loans, the ratio of allowance to total loans fell to 1.29 percent, from 1.34 percent at June 30, 1990. Without the acquisition of EOA loans, this ratio would have grown to 1.35 percent at Sept. 30, 1990.

Nonperforming loans were $45.0 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with the $27.2 million a year ago and $37.7 million at June 30, 1990. First Empire's allowance represented 157 percent of nonperforming loans at Sept. 30, 1990. Its ratio of nonperforming assets to total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 was .61 percent.

First Empire State Corporation is a bank holding company whose subsidiaries include M&T Bank, The East New York Savings Bank and The First National Bank of Highland.

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#90282p2979 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Santa Fe Pacific Pipeline Partners L.P. (NYSE: SFL) announced third quarter 1990 net income of $17.2 million, or $0.89 per unit, 8 percent above net income of $15.9 million, or $0.82 per unit, for the same period last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net income of $47.9 million, or $2.47 per unit, was 8 percent above net income of $44.4 million, or $2.30 per unit for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Third quarter revenues of $49.9 million were up $1.0 million or 2 percent over

the same period in 1989. Volumes transported during the quarter were even with 1989. Operating expenses of $23.6 million were $0.8 million of 3 percent less than the prior year quarter due to lower power and other field operating expenses partially offset by higher depreciation and property taxes. Interest expense increased $0.6 million due to less capitalized interest during the 1990 quarter.

Revenues of $146.3 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, were up $6.1 million or 4 percent over the 1989 period as a result of increased volumes and higher tariffs. Operating expenses were up $0.9 million or 1 percent due to increased depreciation and field operating expenses partially offset by decreased power costs. Interest expense increased $1.7 million due to less interest capitalized during the 1990 period.

Capital expenditures for the third quarter and the first nine months were $5.2 million and $17.8 million respectively. Capital expenditures during the fourth quarter are expected to be approximately $10-12 million.

Santa Fe Pacific Pipeline Partners L.P. is one of the largest independent pipeline common carriers of refined petroleum products in the United States. It is the largest in the western United States in terms of product deliveries, barrel miles transported and pipeline mileage. The partnership serves six western states with approximately 3,300 miles of pipeline and 14 truck loading terminals.

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#90282p2981 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOLYOKE, MA. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Affiliated Banc Corporation (NASDAQ: ABCV) today announced operating results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The corporation incurred a loss of $6,772,000 for the third quarter as compared with net income of $1,004,000, or $0.27 per share, for the same period in 1989. The net loss for the nine months was $9,704,000 compared with net income of $1,283,000, or $0.34 per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Assets totaled $533,201,000, a decrease of 6.3 percent compared with total assets of $569,084,000 a year earlier. Net loans outstanding at the end of the quarter were $468,479,000, a decrease of 7.8 percent from the year-earlier total of $508,296,000. Deposits totaled $487,704,000, compared with $479,954,000 for the same period a year ago, an increase of 1.6 percent.

At the beginning of the quarter, the allowance for possible loan losses was

$8,650,000. After loan charge-offs of $6,123,000, write- downs for loans transferred to other real estate owned in the amount of $893,000, and additions of $6,114,000, the balance at Sept. 30, 1990, was $7,748,000. Additionally, assets held as other real estate owned were written down by $1,519,000. At Sept. 30, 1990, non-performing loans were $43,286,000, other real estate owned and in-substance foreclosures totaled $27,550,000, bringing total non-performing assets to $70,836,000.

Affiliated Banc Corporation's sole subsidiary, Vanguard Savings Bank, is a state-chartered savings bank insured by the FDIC. Headquartered in Holyoke, Vanguard currently serves western Massachusetts through eight banking offices.

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#90282p2983 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Kroy Inc. has introduced a new typestyle cartridge that creates 3 of 9 bar code labels economically on its DuraType 240 SE lettering systems.

With the new cartridge, users can make high-density, thermal printed 3 of 9 bar code labels on laminated tape that is heat- and scratch-resistant.

The $549 retail price of the 240 SE represents a considerable savings over competitive bar code printers and PC-based systems which can cost several thousand dollars. The 3 of 9 bar code font retails for $99.95.

With its thermal transfer technology, the 240 SE can generate as few as one readable bar code if only one is needed. Many systems waste labels by printing quantities of dozens or even hundreds to obtain a few readable bar codes.

Since the 240 SE is compact, weighing less than four pounds, it takes up much less space than a PC-based unit.

The 240 SE was introduced earlier in 1990 as the premium member of Kroy's DuraType family of lettering systems. It can be used for lettering memos, slides, charts, graphs, signs and badges.

The unit features a 16-character display screen for text editing and a standard typewriter-style keyboard. Easy-to-understand function keys create a variety of special effects including italic, underline, outline, shadow, bold, condensed, expanded, mirror, vertical and negative image.

Resident in the system is a typestyle corresponding to Helvetica medium in 10 point -- which is approximately the size of type used in business letters. A

total of 26 typestyle cards are available. Changing typestyles takes only seconds -- the user selects a font card and slips it into the slot just above the keyboard.

The 240 SE allows the user to switch from one color cartridge to another in seconds. The drop-in cartridge contains 600 inches (50 feet) of lettering tape and its own cut lever.

The printer utilizes a thermal transfer process which is virtually silent. Lettering is produced in 240 dots per inch (dpi) resolution on 1/2-inch-wide strips of adhesive-backed clear tape with black letters and opaque white tape with black, red or blue letters.

The user can automatically print alpha or numeric sequences for sequential labeling. A "repeat" function key allows repetition of text and numbers for frequently-used labels.

A major technological innovation of the system is the way the letter image is protected from damage. It prints characters onto the back of a transparent or opaque tape, which is then laminated inside the machine, creating a scratch-resistant finish.

Kroy introduced the world's first lettering machine in the 1970s. Since then, the Scottsdale-based company has sold more than 500,000 units through its global dealer and distributor network.

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#90282p2989 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
COARSEGOLD, CA (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Sierra (NASDAQ: SIER) is proud to announce the signing of a longterm publication and distribution agreement with Game Arts of Japan, developers of Sierra's first Japanese imports Thexder and Silpheed. Together, the two companies will produce high-quality games for the Japanese and American game markets. Effective immediately, Sierra will begin converting and distributing Game Arts products in the United States and Europe.

According to Game Arts President Youichi Miyaji, "Game Arts is a company that has experience with action game design techniques, especially for the home computer. To us, Sierra On-Line is a superior software house. When we were users, Sierra was established as a company and was already releasing wonderful games. We are delighted that Sierra is publishing our games in the U.S."

Game Arts, located in Ikebukuro, in Northwest Tokyo, was founded in 1985 by Miyaji. Thexder was Game Arts' first product and was a phenomenon in Japan,

selling 500,000 units and winning Japan's BHS (Best Hit Software) award. Thexder debuted in the United States computer stores in December of 1986 and became Sierra's best seller for 1987. Sierra's next Japanese acquisition, Silpheed was released in the United States in April of 1989.

Two new Game Arts products are planned for release this year: Firehawk: Thexder the Second Contact, a sequel to the 1987 bestseller Thexder, and Zeliard, a multi-level role-playing adventure.

Sierra On-Line develops and publishes premium-priced interactive animated adventure software for the high-end of the consumer market. The company's products feature high-quality graphics, music and sound effects and are designed primarily for IBM PCs, IBM PC compatibles and computers manufactured by Apple Computer Inc.

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#90282p2990 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The CHEMPRO division of Burlington Environmental Inc. today announced that its corporate laboratory has been awarded accreditation by the Washington State Departament of Ecology for analytical performance on 32 separate methodologies. The CHEMPRO laboratory is the first industrial laboratory in Washington state to receive state accreditation.

The accreditation involved a lengthy evaluation and audit process. A team of Ecology auditors systematically reviewed all CHEMPRO analytical systems: personnel, facilities, equipment and supplies, sample management, data management, quality assurance/ quality control procedures, methodologies, and performance evaluation sample results.

According to the Ecology General Findings and Recommendations, the system audit concluded that the CHEMPRO laboratory "is well managed and operating under conditions which encourage generating data of known quality" and that CHEMPRO personnel were performing their jobs "in a technically correct and professional manner."

CHEMPRO laboratory manager, Kathy Kreps, acknowledged the significance of receiving the accreditation. "As a non-commercial lab, we provide chemical analysis to support our waste management services. As such, CHEMPRO is not required to be accredited. We sought to earn the certificate of accreditation as an added measure of scientific precision for our customers who can be assured that CHEMPRO analytical work meets stringent State standards."

The CHEMPRO Laboratory operates to support the waste management services

offered to customers nationally. Burlington Environmental Inc. is a diversified environmental service firm offering hazardous waste management, environmental engineering and exploration services to commercial, industrial and exploration services to commercial, industrial and governmental customers throughout the United States. The company is a subsidiary of Burlington Resources Inc.

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DALLAS (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dallas based Motter Corp., a subsidiary of Publishers Equipment Corp. (NASDAQ: PECN) today announced that the Providence Journal Co. of Providence, R.I. issued a letter of intent on Oct. 4, 1990 to purchase a 36-couple, 6-unit position flexo newspaper press configuration.

The press configuration for the Providenc Journal-Bulletin will consist of six positions Motterflex FX-4 flexo units in a new 6-color stacked configuration; six Motter SA2000 Plus, 45 inch Reels; six angle bar and web lead sections and six Motter press drives. The Motter equipment will be configured into an existing Windmoeller & Hoelscher/Koenig & Bauer press to expand the Journal's flexo newspaper and color operations.

With the new 6-couple, high profile stacked design, the Journal will have the flexibility of paginating and placing color virtually anywhere within the newspaper. This new equipment greatly expands their existing flexo color printing capability.

Evans Kostas, president of Motter Corp., said, "We are extremely pleased that the Providence Journal, a recognized leader in flexo newspaper printing, has expressed their confidence in Motter Corp. to provide this new additional flexo press equipment."

Installation of the new equipment will be phased in over a 14 to 22 month period with a final completion and start-up in October 1992.

Motter Corp., a world leader in providing flexographic newspaper presses, utilizes the patented flexo technology of Koenig & Bauer- Albert (Wurzburg, Germany) and Windmoeller & Hoelscher (Lengerich, Germany).

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DENVER (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Apache Corp. (NYSE: APA) today announced that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange

Commission covering a proposed under- written public offering of $150 million principal amount of convertible subordinated debentures.

Apache intends to use the proceeds from the offering to eliminate virtually all bank borrowings and commercial paper indebtedness and for other general corporate purposes. The debentures will be convertible into shares of Apache stock at any time prior to maturity in the year 2000 unless redeemed earlier by the company. The offering will be underwritten by Merrill Lynch Capital Markets, The First Boston Corp., Goldman, Sachs & Co., and Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co.

Apache Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Raymond Plank explained, "This transaction will reduce interest charges and improve earnings per share. It fortifies our financial position, enabling us to act quickly on opportunities to continue growing our reserve base and enhance shareholder returns."

Apache is an independent energy company engaged in exploration, production and marketing of natural gas and crude oil. The company's securities are traded on the New York and Midwest Stock Exchanges (symbol APA).

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#90282p3003 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - We've all seen ads like this: ...Attention all residents of Jefferson, Lincoln and Washington Counties! If you like to wear Western boots...Ponderosa Boots has the style, size and color to fit you. And we stock more boots than anyone in the state! Call us toll-free today for size, style and pricing information: 1-800-GET BOOT...

In business, the spur to success can be the right targeting: If the primary customers are reached -- for example, boot wearer -- a business has a much greater chance to kickup its sales.

The obstacle: Many businesses can't even get into the saddle because it can be expensive to "target" key customers.

That will change soon in the Southwest with Southwestern Bell Telephone's (SWBT) new, cost-effective inbound long distance service called "MaxiMizer 800(SM)."

The service lets businesses receive toll-free calls -- like "Ponderosa Boots'" 1-800-GET-BOOT -- from customers throughout regional calling areas on the business' main line or on a separate line. Each regional calling area, also known as a "LATA," includes many towns and cities. For customers who expect heavy 800 calling, a separate line may be more practical.

SWBT has filed a tariff for MaxiMizer 800 services in Missouri and Oklahoma. The company plans to make similar filings soon in the other three states it serves.

"We believe MaxiMizer 800's strength is its affordability and flexibility. Customers can use their regular business lines," said Kirby Collins, SWBT's product manager for MaxiMizer 800. "Customers can conduct their daily business and receive 800 calls from regional calling areas all on the same phone lines without adding any new equipment."

Collins added that businesses can continue to use their existing Call Management services (such as Call Waiting) for both incoming and outgoing calls.

Businesses may expand their marketing to more than one regional area by adding the "Variable Call Destination" feature. The option lets the business have one inbound 800 number, but the calls ring in one of the business' locations in each respective regional area.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Southwestern Bell Corp. and provides network exchange service to nearly 9 million customers in Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas and Missouri.

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#90282p3005 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (NYSE: CHV) announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of up to $1.00/bbl was effective today at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$37.75 for West Texas Intermediate $35.75 for West Texas Sour $38.25 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E55. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90282p3008 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Bechtel has signed a $1.5 million

contract with a Thai government agency to help prepare a regional plan for the development of the Southern Seaboard of Thailand. The planning effort will focus on the feasibility of creating a multi-billion-dollar "land bridge" across Thailand's narrow southern peninsula. The feasibility study could include a complex of railroads, highways and pipelines linking the Indian Ocean to the Gulf of Thailand.

"This land bridge megaproject would serve as a major industrial base for Thailand," said F. Richard Erskine, Bechtel's senior regional representative for Thailand. "Besides the transportation components, the project ultimately could include two seaports, petroleum processing, the exploitation of offshore gas fields, support industry and related urban development.

"The Southern Seaboard land bridge has the potential to cut transportation time for Middle East crude oil bound for East Asia, and refine it into finished products along the way. The facilities might also attract shipments of a variety of other products in the Asia- Europe trade marketplace," Erskine added.

The Thai government's Office of the Southern Seaboard Development Committee (OSSB) chose the team of Bechtel, Nippon Koei, Ltd. of Japan and two Thai companies, Asian Engineering Consultants, Ltd. and Southeast Asia Technology Co., Ltd., over four other international teams for the job. Funding for the regional plan study is being provided by the World Bank. Work will start immediately.

The economic development of the Southern Seaboard area is a hallmark economic program of the Thai government, and has the strong support of business leaders in that area. A key requirement of the plan is ensuring the preservation of the existing environmental quality, and the continuation of opportunities for tourism, agriculture and fisheries development in the region.

The Southern Seaboard project award is the latest success in a strong first year of operations for Bechtel's Bangkok Office, which opened in January. The company's other Thai projects include engineering and technical consulting services for a $400 million olefins plant to be constructed in Rayong Province development of a major shrimp farm for Aquastar Ltd. on the Gulf of Siam and work in the Eastern Seaboard Region.

Bechtel, one of the world's largest professional engineering and construction firms, currently has 98 major projects under way in 17 countries and is working on 1,450 projects of all sizes worldwide. Bechtel's other Pacific Rim offices, in addition to Bangkok, include Tokyo, Seoul, Beijing, Shenzhen, Hong Kong, Taipei, Jakarta and Melbourne.

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#90282p3011 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Alias Research Inc. (NASDAQ: ADDDF) today announced Upfront(TM), software ideally suited for use in the initial stages of creating and sketching 3D space and form. Upfront allows any professional who works with space, including architects, interior designers, facility planners and set designers to quickly create fully shaded 3D sketches on Macintosh computers.

Alias Upfront is the first true conceptual 3D application software for the Macintosh. Upfront is simple to use yet compelling in its approach to working and sketching in three dimensions. The product was developed for the up front stage of the design process to compliment CAD software where detail drawings and modeling occur once conceptual directions have been determined. Suggested list price for Upfront is U.S. $895.00 and is available immediately. The product will be sold through a limited number of authorized value-added Apple dealers.

''Alias' corporate objective is to provide creative professionals with application software that make the computer a tool,'' commented Stephen Bingham, Alias' president and CEO. ''Upfront is an entirely new development at Alias and it is just the beginning of our move to address the personal computer market with sophisticated, yet easy to use software focused on specific vertical markets for design and communication professionals.''

Alias Research Inc. is the leader in 3D computer graphic software technology for design, science and entertainment. In addition to its new personal computer software products, Alias offers worldwide distribution of a full line of integrated software products for powerful 3D computers from Silicon Graphics, Inc. and IBM. Alias is a public company based in Toronto, Canada and is listed on the NASDAQ exchange under the symbol ADDDF.

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#90282p3012 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

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#90282p3016 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - JTN Acquisition Corp. stated today that in light of the announcement by the board of directors of Justin Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: JSTN) that it is opposed to JTN's tender offer to purchase up to 6,177,825 shares of Justin Industries, Inc. for $18 net per share in cash, and the Justin board's refusal to redeem the company's poison pill plan, JTN and its affiliates intend, as previously disclosed in JTN's tender offer materials to solicit proxies from shareholders to replace the current board members with nominees of JTN, either in connection with a new 1990 annual meeting, or in connection with a special meeting of shareholders, depending on the outcome of litigation brought by JTN which currently is on appeal. This does not constitute and should not be deemed a solicitation of proxies.

JTN Acquisition Corp. also stated today that the expiration date of the offer, withdrawal rights and the proration period are being extended from midnight New York City time, on Oct. 23, until midnight, New York City time, Nov. 20, 1990.

The depository for the offer has advised that as of the close of business today, approximately 10,372 shares of Justin common stock had been tendered into the JTN offer which, together with the 1,022,715 shares of Justin common stock owned by affiliates of JTN, represent approximately 12.0 percent of Justin's outstanding common stock on a primary basis.

JTN is a newly formed entity organized and led by Perry H. Sutherland of

Sutherland Lumber in Kansas City and New York investor Barry S. Rosenstein, on behalf of a group which has been involved in a continuing effort to acquire Justin.

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#90282p3018 10/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The federal jury in Detroit awarded an independent computer maintenance company, Virtual Maintenance Inc., a $25.3 verdict against Prime Computer Inc., one of the nation's largest computer manufacturers. The case involved the antitrust violation known as a "tying arrangement," by which Prime required customers who wished to purchase certain software updates from Prime to also purchase hardware maintenance from Prime. Prime has revenues of over $500 million per year in hardware maintenance, and in the three- state area in which Virtual intended to compete (Michigan, Indiana and Ohio). Prime generated profits of $60 million in hardware maintenance last year.

Virtual is in the business of maintaining computer hardware; in the three states where it operates, it has garnered over 50 percent of the market for the maintenance of MAI/Basic Four computers and Lundy terminals. In 1989 Virtual tried to institute a business plan for penetrating the market for the maintenance of Prime minicomputers.

Virtual was unable to implement this plan, however, because of a tying arrangement used by Prime to foreclose competition. This tie had a particularly heavy impact on the companies which sell design services to Ford Motor Co. In order to sell to Ford, which purchases in excess of $1 billion a year in such services, these companies must have a certain software program for computer-aided design and computer-aided engineering (known in the industry as CAD/CAM).

Prime has the sole right to distribute this CAD/CAM software program, but Prime would not license the program to any company which did not also purchase Prime's hardware maintenance service on Prime's 50 Series minicomputers. Because of this tying arrangement, Virtual alleged that it was unable to enter the business of maintaining Prime's minicomputers. Virtual brought suit in 1989, and, in a five-week trial which ended today, asked the jury to award it $8,453,000 in damages. The jury awarded that amount, which will be automatically tripled under the federal antitrust laws. Virtual also has a right to collect its attorney's fees and costs from Prime.

Virtual is a member of the National Computer Service Network (NCSN), the largest organization of independent computer maintenance companies. Ronald

Katz, one of Virtual's attorneys and general counsel of the NCSN, stated "the size of this verdict and the fact that it follows on the heels of a similar verdict by an independent computer maintenance company against Hewlett-Packard in Cleveland last April, sends a message to computer manufacturers that juries strongly disapprove of the methods which they have been using to foreclose competition. There are many tying arrangements in the computer industry now similar to the tying arrangement which was involved in this case. I suspect that many manufacturers will now be changing these arrangements."

Claudia Betzner, the executive director of the National Computer Service Network, said "Virtual, like many of our members, is much smaller than the computer manufacturers against which they compete. Verdicts like this one are likely to bring about a more level playing field and therefore lower prices for computer maintenance. Because computers and their maintenance have become so important to our economy, the savings to consumers should be substantial and widespread."

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#90282t3196 10/09/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (OCT. 9) TASS - A ROUTINE DELIVERY OF TUBING TO THE CHELYABINSK VTORCHERMET ENTERPRISE IN THE SOUTH URALS TURNED OUT TO BE FAR FROM ROUTINE WHEN THE TUBING WAS FOUND TO BE HIGHLY RADIOACTIVE, EMITTING 300 MICROROENTGENS AN HOUR.

THE KOMSOMOLSKAYA PRAVDA NEWSPAPER WRITES TODAY THAT THE FACT WAS DISCOVERED DURING A RADIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF 23 TONS OF TUBES, DELIVERED FROM AN OIL PRODUCING ENTERPRISE IN TURKMENIA. SO FAR, THE SOURCE OF THE RADIOACTIVITY HAS NOT BEEN FOUND.

SCIENTISTS TOLD TASS THAT A "NORMAL" RADIATION LEVEL WAS 20 MICROROENTGENS PER HOUR. THE TUBES ARE NOT IMMEDIATELY HAZARDOUS, AS A MAN WOULD RECEIVE DANGEROUS DOSES ONLY IF SPENDING SEVERAL YEARS NEAR THEM.

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#90282t3197 10/09/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW OCTOBER 9 TASS - WORK ON BOARD THE MIR SPACE COMPLEX BEGAN TODAY WITH TECHNICAL EXPERIMENTS AND GEOPHYSICAL RESEARCH.

ON OCTOBER 8, COSMONAUTS GENNADY MANAKOV AND GENNADY STREKALOV BEGAN A 270-HOUR EXPERIMENT TO GROW CRYSTALS OF SEMICONDUCTOR GALLIUM ARSENIDE ON THE TECHNOLOGICAL INSTALLATION KRATER-V.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FLIGHT PROGRAM, THEY ARE CONTINUING EXPERIMENTS TO ASSESS THE INFLUENCE OF OPEN SPACE ON VARIOUS STRUCTURAL MATERIALS, WHICH MIGHT BE USED IN FUTURE SPACE EQUIPMENT.

AFTER CARRYING OUT SCHEDULED PROPHYLACTIC WORK WITH THE PRIMARY CIRCUIT OF THE STATION HEATING, THE CREW BEGAN TO REPLACE THE SECONDARY THERMAL REGULATION CIRCUIT.

ON TUESDAY, MANAKOV AND STREKALOV ARE PHOTOGRAPHING THE DISTRICTS NEAR KHARKOV AND VOLGOGRAD AND THE ARAL SEA WITH THE HELP OF VIDEO SPECTRAL EQUIPMENT INSTALLED IN THE HYDROSTABILISED PLATFORM OF THE KVANT-2 MODULE.

IN ORDER TO OBTAIN HIGH QEALITY PHOTOGRAPHS, THE COSMONAUTS ARE USING THE PRIRODA-5 PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPLEX AND THE KAP-350 TOPOGRAPHIC CAMERA.

ACCORDING TO TELEMETRIC INFORMATION AND REPORTS FROM THE CREW, ALL SYSTEMS ON BOARD ARE FUNCTIONING NORMALLY.

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#90282u0033 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (OCT. 9) UPI - Here is the list of winners in the 24th annual Country Music Assocaition Awards show Monday night:

Entertainer: George Strait.

Male Vocalist: Clint Black.

Female Vocalist: Kathy Mattea.

Horizon: Garth Brooks.

Vocal Group: Kentucky Headhunters.

Vocal Duo: The Judds.

Album: ''Pickin' On Nashville,'' Kentucky Headhunters.

Single (performer): ''When I Call Your Name,'' Vince Gill.

Song (writer): ''Where've You Been,'' Jon Vezner and Don Henry.

Video: ''The Dance,'' Garth Brooks.

Vocal Event: Keith Whitley and Lorrie Morgan.

Musician: Johnny Gimble.

Hall of Fame: Tennessee Ernie Ford.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	2	0	0	4	14	8
New Jersey	1	1	1	2	10	11
Washington	1	1	0	2	10	11
Philadelphia	1	2	0	2	11	7
NY Rangers	1	2	0	2	13	12
NY Islanders	1	2	0	2	7	10

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	3	0	0	6	16	4
Montreal	2	0	1	5	14	11
Hartford	1	1	1	3	11	12
Buffalo	0	1	1	1	8	9
Quebec	0	2	1	1	6	15

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	2	1	0	4	11	9
St. Louis	1	1	0	2	5	7
Detroit	0	2	1	1	9	16
Minnesota	0	2	0	0	5	9
Toronto	0	3	0	0	4	14

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	3	0	0	6	11	6
Edmonton	2	0	0	4	4	2
Vancouver	1	1	0	2	8	6
Los Angeles	1	1	0	2	7	7
Winnipeg	1	2	0	2	10	6

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#90282u0108 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (OCT. 9) UPI - George Strait, the laid-back Texas crooner who got his first success singing at Army service clubs, repeated as the County Music Assocaition's Entertainer of the Year.

''I'm truly speechless. I really don't have a speech,'' said Strait, who beat out Clint Black, Ricky Van Shelton, Kathy Mattea and Randy Travis Monday night for the top award in country music.

Strait gave special thanks to his band ''that are out there on the road with me every day. It's so much fun to play with them. They are so solid.''

Strait's victory, in what most observers believe was the stiffest competition in recent years, was not surprising since the Country Music Association has shown a tendency for repeat winners in the '80s with Barbara Mandrell, Alabama and Hank Williams Jr. all multiple winners.

There were two double winners, Garth Brooks and the rollicking country group The Kentucky Headhunters.

The Headhunters, the country-rockers who have given a new meaning to re-interpretation of some country standards such as Don Gibson's ''Oh, Lonesome Me,'' was named Vocal Group of the Year.

Lead singer Ricky Lee Phelps in his acceptance told his mother that he wore a buttoned up shirt. He also thanked the people who bought tickets and records for the past year. The group was virtually unknown a year ago, and country radio has only recently given them total acceptance.

The Heads, as their fans now affectionately call them, also won the Album of the Year award for ''Pickin' on Nashville.''

The Headhunters, who have been around the music scene for more than 20 years, were given a contract by Harold Shedd, formerly the producer for Alabama. Shedd told the band members that he was taking a chance on them but the public ought to have a chance to hear them. Shedd, Nashville's Polygram Records top executive, told the group they both may be out on the street selling hamburgers.

Brooks, who led with five nominations, won the Video of the Year award for ''The Dance.''

Brooks, an Oklahaoma native who is living out the dream of his mother Colleen Carrooll, who was a country singer in the 1950s, also picked up the prestigious Horizon award.

''I've got a million people to thank. I'll never thank them all. The two kings of country to me are George Jones and George Strait,'' Brooks said accepting the Horizon, an award given to the performer whose career has shown the most development over the past year.

Vince Gill, who has been recognized as a great talent by his peers for years,

finally won some recognition. The Oklahoman won the Single of the Year award, which is given for the best performance of a single recording.

''Man, I've been around for a long time. I waited for this for a long time, so I'm going to stand up here for a long time. I think this is about as good a way to start the CMA awards for 1990,'' Gill said.

Lorrie Morgan and her late husband, Keith Whitley, won the Vocal Event of the Year award for ''When Each Tear Becomes A Rose.'' Whitley died in 1989 of an overdose of alcohol.

This year's 24th annual awards show was hosted by Travis and Reba McEntire and featured some of the biggest names in country music. It was broadcast live by CBS from the Grand Ole Opry House.

The top songwriting award went to Jon Vezner and Don Henry for ''Where've You Been,'' a plaintive song about a loving couple growing old and ending up at the same hospital.

The song was recorded by Mattea, who is Vezner's wife.

''It pays to be a husband,'' Vezner said. ''I want to thank radio for playing the song because I know it was real hard to play,'' Vezner said in a tearful acceptance of the award.

The mother and daughter team of Naomi and Wynonna Judd picked up their third straight Vocal Duo award.

Last year's Horizon award winner, Black won the coveted Male Vocalist of the Year award. ''I promise all you wonderful people who voted for me that this could never get old,'' said Black.

For the second year in a row, West Virginian Mattea won the Female Vocalist of the Year award. ''I'd like to thank all the songwriters and pickers,'' she said. ''Without them we couldn't do what we do.''

Tennessee Ernie Ford, the ''Old Peapicker,'' was chosen for induction into the Country Music Hall of Fame. ''I'm a happy man,'' said Ford, whose biggest hit was ''16 Tons.''

Chosen as musician of the year was Johnny Gimble.

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#90282u0133 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 9) UPI - Iran's president said he would honor U.N. sanctions against Iraq despite warming relations between the former Gulf War enemies, but he ruled out the possibility of sending Iranians to serve with American

peacekeeping troops.

President Ali-Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani was quoted Monday as saying Tehran is observing the embargo and blamed Iraq for the presence of foreign troops in the Persian Gulf region following its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''If, like us, all countries fully applied the embargo ordered by the United Nations, Iraq would be obliged to yield and withdraw from Kuwait, '' Rafsanjani told the French daily Le Monde.

Ties between Iran and Iraq improved considerably two months ago when Iraqi President Saddam Hussein capitulated to Iranian peace demands and surrendered rights to a strategic waterway in the northern gulf. Both countries decided to renew diplomatic ties, cut during the 1980-88 Iran- Iraq war.

But Rafsanjani said he was not willing to send Iranian troops to ''the same trenches with the Americans in (Saudi) Arabia,'' saying Tehran had enough problems guarding the 750-mile Iran-Iraq frontier.

On the diplomatic front, talks were held in Damascus Monday between Syrian leader Hafez Assad and Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid on a new Arab initiative to resolve the crisis.

A spokesman for Assad, who has sent troops to Saudi Arabia, said that Egypt and Syria were working on a ''new Arab initiative, within the framework of the Arab League,'' aimed at ''securing an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.''

State-run Cairo Radio said the new initiative would be discussed at an Arab League meeting in Tunis later this month.

In Cairo, the semi-official Al Ahraman Egyptian newspaper said Monday that police arrested more suspected members of the notorious pro-Iraqi Palestinian Abu Nidal guerrilla group. The newspaper said the five had not been formally charged but were believed to have obtained arms and explosives from Egyptian Islamic fundamentalists who oppose the presence of foreign troops.

Egypt has strongly opposed the Iraqi invasion and sent 15,000 troops to Saudi Arabia to help defend the oil-rich state. But radical Palestinian groups in Iraq threatened to retaliate with terrorist acts against the United States and other pro-Kuwaiti nations should U.S.-led forces attack Iraq.

Although Libya has not backed Iraq's call for terrorism, Moammar Gadhafi called on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait and then declare war on any Western forces remaining in the region.

Gadhafi said in a speech that Iraq should be given disputed Kuwaiti oilfields and border territory as compensation for Baghdad's loss of revenue stemming from Kuwaiti oil production before the invasion.

Gadhafi said he had assurances from Egypt and Syria that they would oppose the presence of foreign forces in the gulf after Iraq withdraws from Kuwait.

Palestine Liberation Organization officials in Cairo, meanwhile, have warned Palestinians in Egypt not to become involved in pro-Iraqi terrorism.

The call came as PLO leader Yasser Arafat, accused by gulf Arab states of siding with Iraq in the dispute, discussed efforts to resolve the crisis through peaceful means during talks with Jordanian leaders in Amman.

Arafat left Amman for Tunis Monday after talks with King Hussein. The PLO leader told reporters that despite initial reservations, an international consensus has emerged linking the crisis with a settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

In other developments related to the gulf crisis:

-An RF-4C Phantom reconnaissance jet crashed in the southern Arabian peninsula Monday, killing both crewmen. The plane was attached to the Alabama Air National Guard stationed at Birmingham Municipal Airport. The crewmen were identified as pilot Maj. Barry Henderson, 40, of Tuscumbia, Ala., and navigator Maj. Stephen Schramm, 43, of Birmingham.

-Two Marine UH-IN helicopters with eight crewmen aboard were reported missing in the North Arabian Sea, a U.S. Navy spokesman said. The helicopters were from the amphibious assault ship USS Okinawa. Search efforts were under way.

-Kuwait's exiled planning minister, Suleiman al Muttawa, was reported to have said in London Monday that the large Iraqi troop presence in the occupied emirate had throttled active Kuwaiti resistance.

-British, U.S. and Australian naval vessels fired warning shots at an Iraqi cargo ship when it failed to stop for inspection Monday. The ship heeded the shots and allowed British Royal Marines and U.S. Coast Guard officers to board. It was found to be empty and allowed to proceed.

-Later Monday, the three countries stopped another ship, the Iraqi tanker Tadmur, and ''stores were discovered on board,'' a defense spokeswoman said. The British Broadcasting Corp. said the tanker was in violation of U.N. sanctions and was being diverted to a nearby port for further inspection.

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#90282u0139 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 9) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	4	1	0	.800	130	99	2-1	W-3
Miami	4	1	0	.800	108	73	3-0	W-2
Indianapolis	2	3	0	.400	81	108	0-2	W-2
New York Jets	2	3	0	.400	104	109	1-2	L-1
New England	1	4	0	.200	80	152	1-2	L-2

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	4	1	0	.800	137	105	0-0	W-1
Cleveland	2	3	0	.400	78	114	1-0	W-1
Houston	2	3	0	.400	98	108	0-1	L-1
Pittsburgh	2	3	0	.400	48	85	1-1	L-3

WEST

LA Raiders	4	1	0	.800	99	73	2-0	L-1
Kansas City	3	2	0	.600	117	71	0-1	L-1
Denver	2	3	0	.400	124	127	2-1	L-2
Seattle	2	3	0	.400	108	104	0-2	W-2
San Diego	1	4	0	.200	75	105	0-0	L-2

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	4	0	0	1.000	106	47	3-0	W-4
Washington	3	1	0	.750	101	51	3-0	W-2
Dallas	2	3	0	.400	70	102	0-3	W-1
Philadelphia	1	3	0	.250	91	95	0-2	L-1
Phoenix	1	3	0	.250	40	118	1-2	L-2

CENTRAL

Chicago	4	1	0	.800	104	66	3-0	W-1
Tampa Bay	3	2	0	.600	108	110	3-0	L-1
Green Bay	2	3	0	.400	76	93	1-2	L-1
Detroit	2	3	0	.400	117	126	1-3	W-1
Minnesota	1	4	0	.200	116	103	0-3	L-3

WEST

San Francisco	4	0	0	1.000	82	59	2-0	W-4
Atlanta	2	2	0	.500	102	94	1-1	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	1	3	0	.250	111	111	0-0	L-1
New Orleans	1	3	0	.250	70	80	0-2	L-1

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BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 9) UPI - A Vietnamese crackdown on smuggling has netted more than $3 million in gold and 1.2 million packs of foreign cigarettes, the official Vietnam News Agency reported.

''The Central Task Force Committee in the past two months spotted and treated many cases of foreign goods smuggling, refunding to the state budget 20 billion dong (about $3.3 million),'' said the report dated Monday.

It quoted Le Minh Dao, a member of the Task Force, as saying that in southern Vietnam alone, authorities ''have confiscated more than 1.2 million packs of foreign cigarettes, many cars, refrigerators and canned beer smuggled across the border.''

A total of 300 smugglers have been arrested along the border with Cambodia, it said.

Vietnam, desperate to stop the revenue leakage that has left its budget in deep deficit, announced a nationwide crackdown on smuggling and corruption nearly three months ago.

A Cabinet report, however, said last week that implementation of the crackdown has been spotty and slow, with officials intervening to delay or derail investigations into major smuggling operations.

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MANILA, Philippines (OCT. 9) UPI - The chairman of the Philippine Senate defense committee called Tuesday for a reorganization in military leadership following a two-day rebellion last week in the southern island of Mindanao.

In a radio interview, Sen. Ernesto Maceda expressed concern that government troops offered no resistance when the rebel soldiers led by Col. Alexander Noble seized two major army camps before dawn Thursday in Mindanao, 500 miles south of Manila. Noble surrendered unconditionally Saturday.

Maceda said junior officers and soldiers in the 159,000-member armed forces have deep-seated grievances against the military leadership that were not being adressed. He mentioned, among others, graft and corruption, favoritism in promotions and misuse of so-called intelligence funds.

Military officials have said Noble, former deputy security chief of President Corazon Aquino's elite presidential guards, hoped to trigger a chain of revolts in other parts of the country to force the president out of office.

Aquino has crushed seven rebellions during her four years as president.

''The events (in Mindanao) have confirmed what we have been saying long ago,

that reforms are being demanded by the lower ranks which are not happening,'' Maceda said.

He said the revamp should include the top leadership because ''the truth is that the deficiency reaches even up to the top.''

Maceda said the fact Noble traveled in a military convoy over 150 miles from Butuan to Cagayan de Oro, passing through 11 army camps without being stopped, showed ''that those who did not join must have some grievances so they just didn't resist.''

He added the mutiny showed that if there is an officer who was willing to lead the rebel soldiers, they would follow.

Military spokesman Brig. Gen. Emiliano Templo said the soldiers have some ''valid grievances'' but these were being addressed by the government and there was no need to resort to violence.

Armed forces chief Gen. Renato De Villa, who visited Butuan and Cagayan de Oro Monday, said at least four officers, 159 soldiers and 63 tribal militiamen who joined Noble either surrendered or have been captured. The military recovered five armored carriers, seven trucks, a 105mm howitzer and 5 mortars.

He said three more groups of ''stragglers'' were being pursued by government troops in the area and that a reorganization of the Southern Command was forthcoming.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL SCORING SUMMARY

Cleveland	6	7	7	10--30
Denver	7	12	0	10--29

FIRST QUARTER

Den-Elway 13 run (Treadwell kick), 10:02

Cle-Metcalf 5 run (kick blocked), 1:30

SECOND QUARTER

Den-FG Treadwell 20, 12:30

Cle-Slaughter 43 pass from Kosar (Kauric kick), 8:19

Den-Humphrey 19 run (Treadwell kick), 1:54

Den-safety (punt blocked over end line), 1:19

THIRD QUARTER

Cle-Mack 11 pass from Kosar (Kauric kick), 6:38

FOURTH QUARTER
Den-Jackson 16 run (Treadwell kick), 10:31
Den-FG Treadwell 25, 7:21
Cle-Brennan 24 pass from Kosar (Kauric kick), 3:21
Cle-FG Kauric 30, 0:00

A-74,814

	Cle	Den
First downs	23	19
Rushes-yards	31--97	27--141
Passing yards	318	175
Sacked-yards lost	0--0	0--0
3rd down eff.	9-14--64.0	6-14--43.0
4th down eff.	2--2-100.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	24--38--2	16--33--2
Punts	3--23.7	4--44.3
Punt returns-yds	2--12	0--00
KO returns-yds	4--55	4--79
Fumbles-lost	2--1	1--0
Penalties-yards	8--59	5-38
Time of possession	30:38	29:22

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-Cleveland-Hoard 7-9, Metcalf 5-14, Mack 15-54, Slaughter 1-17, Kosar 3-3. Denver-Humphrey 20-106, Elway 3-21, Bratton 1-1, Winder 2-minus 3, Jackson 1-16.

PASSING-Cleveland-Kosar 24-38-318-2. Denver-Elway 16-33-175-2.

RECEIVING-Cleveland-Slaughter 7-123, Brennan 5-65, Langhorne 4-60, Newsome 1-6, Metcalf 3-8, Mack 2-17, Joines 2-39. Denver-Johnson 6-90, Jackson 3-30, Nattiel 1-15, Bratton 2-21, Humphrey 2-15, Sewell 1-8, Lanier 1-minus 4.

SACKS-None.

INTERCEPTIONS-Cleveland-Wright 1-36, Minniefield 1-0. Denver-Atwater 1-27, Montgomery 1-19.

Missed field goals: None.

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#90282u0187 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Last season New York Rangers GM Neil Smith gambled to jump-start his team's struggling offense by trading two of his top forwards Tomas Sandstrom and Tony Granato, to the Los Angeles Kings for high-scoring

center Bernie Nicholls.

Smith then obtained right wing Mike Gartner to skate on a line with Nicholls, and the two proved to be an explosive scoring combination in the handful of games they were together.

This season the Rangers are looking for Nicholls to establish himself as a leader in his first full season with the team, a role that loomed even larger when captain Kelly Kisio suffered a broken ankle last Saturday in Hartford, knocking him out for at least six weeks.

Coach Roger Neilson made Nicholls an alternate captain for Monday night's home opener and Nicholls responded by igniting a three-goal first period outburst and pacing the Rangers to their first victory of the season, a 6-3 triumph over the Minnesota North Stars.

Nicholls, who played in the shadow of Wayne Gretzky in Los Angeles, relishes the chance to shoulder such responsibility. ''This team has high expectations, and getting off 0-2 added pressure to tonight's game, '' he said. ''We knew we had to do well on opening night at home.''

Nicholls wasted little time putting his team in front, breaking Darren Turcotte into the offensive zone with a pretty pass for a 1-0 lead. It was Turcotte's second goal of the season and Nicholls' 800th NHL point.

''My job is to create offense,'' said Nicholls. ''We don't really care who scores the goals.''

Nicholls then gave the Rangers a 2-0 lead when he scored his third goal of the season from point-blank range on a power play after receiving a perfect pass from James Patrick.

''Our defense helps a lot,'' said Nicholls. ''They put the puck on the net, create rebounds and set up plays.''

Nicholls put New York ahead 3-0 when he skated across the blue line, fed Gartner at the right faceoff circle and Gartner rifled the puck past goaltender Jarmo Myllys for his 450th career NHL goal.

''We had a good start tonight and all four lines were going,'' said Neilson. ''It was an important win. We didn't want to go 0-3 - there's a confidence factor.''

After Mark Janssens scored at 1:55 of the second period to make it 4- 0, Brian Bellows converted on a power play at 10:54 and Mike Craig scored at 18:35 to pull Minnesota to 4-2.

''Frankly in game 53, I think we would have relaxed with the three- goal lead

'' said Nicholls, ''but I got uptight when they scored a couple of goals.''

The Rangers were able to turn the pressure back on, and when Gartner scored his second at 7:27 of the third period on a power play to make the score 5-2 the North Stars were finished.

''If we had gotten a fourth goal we might have pulled it off,'' said Gainey. ''Gartner's fifth goal added the clock as an element.''

Brian Propp scored his second of the season to cut the margin to 5-3, but John Ogrodnick scored his first of the year into an empty net.

Elsewhere in the NHL Monday night, it was: Montreal 5, Hartford 3; and Calgary 4, Winnipeg 3.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Canadiens 5, Whalers 3

At Montreal, Stephane Richer capped a four-goal first period and added an assist. Richer's fourth goal of the season at 19:43 gave the Canadians a 4-1 lead. Brian Skrudland, Brent Gilchrist and Eric Desjardins also scored in the first period for Montreal, and Stephan Lebeau added a third-period goal. Kevin Dineen, Ron Francis and Randy Cunneyworth scored for Hartford, and Brad Shaw had two assists for the Whalers.

Flames 4, Jets 3

At Winnipeg, Stephane Matteau and Brian MacLellan scored goals in a 56-second span of the third period and Joe Nieuwendyk scored twice to lead Calgary to its third straight victory. Tomas Steen set up goals a minute apart in the first period by Fredrik Olausson and Doug Smail to give Winnipeg a 2-0 lead. Teppo Nummenin scored the final Winnipeg goal with 37 seconds remaining in the third period.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AL Playoffs (Game 3) - Boston at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.
NL Playoffs (Game 4) - Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 8:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

Minnesota at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.

Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Vancouver, 10:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Zurich, Switzerland - $350,000 European Ladies Indoors

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(OCT. 9) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Los Angeles - Announced reliever Don Aase has elected to become a free agent rather than accept a minor-league assignment.

BASKETBALL

Boston - Announced retirement of broadcaster Johnny Most.

Houston - Renounced the rights to guard- forward Lewis Lloyd.

New Jersey - Waived free agent guard Kevin Houston.

New York - Waived guard Tharon Mayes.

COLLEGE

Big East Conference - Extended an invitation to the University of Miami.

Big Eight Conference - Ruled that Colorado's victory over Missouri would stand; suspended the game's officiating crew for an indefinite period.

FOOTBALL

Green Bay - Reinstated running back Herman Fontenot.

New England - Placed center Gene Chilton on injured reserve.

HOCKEY

Montreal - Suspended goaltender Brian Hayward for failing to appear at practice; called up goaltender Jean-Claude Bergeron from Fredericton of the American Hockey League.

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#90282u0222 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 9) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

The White House says President Bush will sign a new budget agreement and an emergency spending bill to end the government's shutdown. Congress passed the budget early this morning. It reduces the deficit by 500-BILLION dollars over five years. The shutdown of the government began Saturday, but the White House says federal workers should report to work today.

David Souter was sworn in yesterday at the White House as a justice of the Supreme Court. Chief Justice William Rehnquist administered the oath. Souter joins the court today for a ceremony. Tomorrow he participates in hearing a dispute about exclusion of women from jobs that might endanger a fetus.

One of Japan's top business executives, 80-year-old Hisashi Shinto , was convicted today of taking bribes from Recruit Company, the firm that touched off the nation's biggest political scandal. He was given a two-year suspended sentence. In June 1989, Prime Minister Noboru Takeshita resigned because of admissions that he accepted questionable donations from Recruit.

Palestinian leaders have asked for U-N forces to be sent as peacekepers to the territories occupied by Israel. They accuse Israel of crimes against Palestinian people. Yesterday at least 19 Moslems were killed in Jerusalem when Israeli police fired on demonstrators.

An early autumn snowstorm has socked the Rockies and Plains. Fort Collins, Colorado, had eight inches of snow. Colorado ski resorts got up a to a foot. Denver's homeless shelters filled up with people. Scottsbluff, Nebraska, got about six inches of snow. Snow also fell in Kansas, but quickly melted away.

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#90282u0271 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
DENVER (OCT. 9) UPI - After kicking two field goals in Cleveland's opening win, Jerry Kauric sat through three consecutive losses without attempting a single field goal.

''I wasn't going to let the 46 other players down,'' Kauric said. ''They fought so hard to get us here.''

Kauric kicked a 30-yard field goal as time expired to give the Browns a 30-29 win over the Denver Broncos.

The Browns trailed 29-20 midway through the final period when Bernie Kosar connected with Brian Brennan for a 24-yard TD to set the stage for Kauric's game-winner.

''In the last two drives with two minutes, we were just calling the plays at the line,'' Kosar said. ''It was really just a great gut-check.

''We proved we could go on the road and win a tough game,'' said Kosar. ''The pressure was on us and it was almost a must-win. We put a lot of effort in tonight, and nobody quit.''

Kosar completed 24 passes on 38 attempts for 318 yards and three touchdowns. He hooked up with Kevin Mack on an 11-yard TD toss and with Webster Slaughter on a 43-yard TD. Eric Metcalf scored on a 5-yard run for Cleveland, 2-3.

Cleveland Coach Bud Carson said, ''Victories like this are always great, especially when no one thinks you can win it. Wins like this are better than all the other victories, and this was really a big one for us.''

Bobby Humphrey scored on a 19-yard run and rushed for 106 yards, gaining over 100 yards on the ground for the fourth consecutive game, tying Otis Armstrong's team record.

John Elway ran a quarterback draw 13 yards for a TD. Mark Jackson ran a reverse 16 yards for a score. David Treadwell kicked field goals of 20 and 25 yards, and Simon Fletcher blocked a punt out of the end zone for a safety for Denver, 2-3.

''We had a nine-point lead with five minutes remaining,'' Denver Coach Dan Reeves said. ''We were unable to stop them. They drove down and scored 10 points, and that's very disappointing.

''We can't count on other people helping us out in our division. This is especially dissappointing because Kansas City lost and the Raiders lost, but we didn't capitalize on the opportunity to take advantage of that and pick up a game on them,'' Reeves said.

Denver took the opening kickoff and marched 92 yards for a 7-0 lead. Elway converted on two third-down situations in the nine-play drive and completed all five of his passes. On third-and-two, he burst up the middle and went in for the game's first score.

Kosar brought the Browns right back, engineering a 76-yard scoring drive. At the Denver five, Metcalf took Kosar's pitch, picked up a block from Mack and went in to make it 7-6. The extra point was blocked.

Early in the second quarter, the Cleveland defense threw Humphrey for a 1-yard loss on a third-and-goal at the 2 and Denver settled for Treadwell's 20-yard field goal for a 10-6 lead.

After Denver failed to move the ball, a short punt gave the Browns excellent field position at the Denver 43. On their first play, Metcalf took a handoff

from Kosar, and pitched back to the quarterback, who hit Slaughter in the end zone. Kosar's second TD pass of the season gave the Browns a 13-10 lead.

Steve Atwater set up the Broncos next TD, intercepting Kosar and returning it to the Denver 47. On third-and-one at the Cleveland 44, tight end Orson Mobley collided with Elway and knocked the ball loose, but the Browns were called offside, negating their recovery. Four plays later, Humphrey ran around right end for 19-yard TD.

Fletcher stormed up the middle on Cleveland's next punt and knocked it through the end zone for a safety to extend the Denver lead to 19-13 at halftime.

With the Broncos driving, Felix Wright intercepted Elway at the Cleveland goal line and returned the ball to the Browns' 37. Kosar's second TD pass, an 11-yard completion to Mack over the middle, gave Cleveland a 20-19 lead at 6:38 of the third quarter.

After Kosar completed a 13-yard pass to Brennan on a third down and eight, Alton Montgomery intercepted Kosar's next pass and returned it to the Denver 31.

Elway completed passes of 19 and 34 yards to Vance Johnson and then handed off to Jackson on a reverse to give the Broncos a 26-20 lead with 10:31 remaining.

Fullback Leroy Hoard fumbled on Cleveland's next play from scrimmage, and Dennis Smith recovered at the Browns' 32. Cleveland held, and Treadwell made his second field goal to widen Denver's lead to 29-20 midway through the final period.

Cleveland converted two fourth-down plays in an 80-yard scoring drive. Kosar found Vernon Joines for a 24-yard gain on fourth down and two at the Denver 48.

''That was just an outstanding play,'' said Kosar. ''It really wasn't designed. Vernon made a really nice catch on that ball.''

Kosar hit Brennan for 24-yard TD on the next play.

The Broncos still led 29-27, but lost seven yards on their next possession. Horan's 40-yard punt gave the Browns the ball on their own 39 with 2:04 left.

Kosar directed a 10-play drive to the Denver 12-yard line before Kauric kicked his field goal.

''We're on the road in Denver where we've had horrible luck,'' Kosar said. ''To come back and win in the fourth quarter is a tribute to a lot of players.''

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(OCT. 9) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Hartford	1	1	1-3
Montreal	4	0	1-5

First period-1, Montreal, Skrudland 2 (McPhee), sh, 3:51. 2, Montreal, Gilchrist 1 (Carbonneau, Keane), 6:10. 3, Montreal, Desjardins 1 (Richer), 9:18. 4, Hartford, Dineen 3 (Shaw, Samuelsson), 15:25. 5, Montreal, Richer 4 (Courtnall, Savard), 19:43.

Penalties-Ewen, Mtl, 2:19; Ladouceur, Har, 11:03; Carbonneau, Mtl, 11:03; Dufresne, Mtl, 13:23; Pederson, Mtl, 16:08.

Second period-6, Hartford, Francis 2 (Holik, Shaw), 8:25.

Penalties-Schneider, Mtl, 1:37; Dufresne, Mtl, 3:38; Holik, Har, 5:52; Corriveau, Har, 13:54; Courtnall, Mtl, 13:54; Samuelsson, Har, 20:00; Burt, Har, major (fighting), 20:00; Keane, Mtl, major (fighting), 20:00.

Third period-7, Hartford, Cunneyworth 1 (Wilson, Samuelsson), 3:50. 8, Montreal, Lebeau 1 (Richer), 10:46.

Penalties-Jennings, Har, 4:49; Ewen, Mtl, major (spearing), game misconduct, 14:33. Francis, Har, 18:57. Dufresne, Mtl 18:57.

Shots on goal-Hartford 6-13-15-35. Montreal 7-7-5-19.

Power-play conversions-Hartford 6-0. Montreal 3-0.

Goalies-Hartford, Whitmore. Montreal, Roy. A-16,438.

Referee-Paul Stewart

New York	3	1	2-6
Minnesota	0	2	1-3

First period-1, NY Rangers, Turcotte 2 (Nicholls), 4:53. 2, NY Rangers, Nicholls 3 (Patrick, Turcotte), pp, 10:53. 3, NY Rangers, Gartner 1 (Nicholls, Sheppard), 17:21.

Penalties-Turcotte, NYR, 2:41; Gartner, NYR, 5:40; Churla, Min, 5:40; McRae, major-game misconduct (cross- checking), 5:40; Musil, Min, 10:24; Janssens, NYR, 12:04; Moller, NYR, 14:01; Smith, Min, 18:03.

Second period-4, NY Rangers, Janssens 1 (King), 1:55. 5, Minnesota, Bellows 2 (Propp, Modano), pp, 10:54. 6, Minnesota, Craig 1 (Wilkinson, Bellows), 18:35.

Penalties-Modano, Min, 4:27; Shaw, NYR, 4:27; Mallette, NYR, major (fighting), 5:05; Churla, Min, major (fighting), 5:05; Vanbiesbrouck, NYR, 9:32; Murphy, Min, 15:50.

Third period-7, NY Rangers, Gartner 2 (Moller, Turcotte), pp, 7:27. 8, Minnesota, Propp 2 (Broten, Musil), 9:57. 9, NY Rangers, Ogrodnick 1 (unassisted), 19:20.

Penalties-Wilkinson, Min 6:08; bench minor, Min, 12:17; Musil, Min, 13:14.

Shots on goal-Minnesota 7-16-7-30. NY Rangers 14-14-12-40.

Power-play conversions-Minnesota 4-1. NY Rangers 6-2.

Goaltenders-Minnesota, Myllys. NY Rangers, Vanbiesbrouck. A-15,286.

Referee-Richard Trottier.

Calgary	0	1	3-4
Winnipeg	2	0	1-3

First period-1. Winnipeg, Olausson 1, (Ellett, Steen), pp, 2:40. 2. Winnipeg, Smail 1, (Steen, Mantha), 3:41.

Penalties-MacInnes, Cgy, 2:01; Fenton, Wpg, 5:35; Fleury, Cgy, 15:12; Roberts Cgy, 18:30; Cronin, Wpg, 18:30.

Second period-3. Calgary, Nieuwendyck 2 (unassisted), 6:05.

Penalties-Oluasson, Wpg, 3:54; Johanson, Cgy, 6:22; Gilmour, Cgy, 15:52.

Third period-4. Calgary, Matteau 1, (Murzyn, MacLellan), 3:01. 5. Calgary, MacLellan 1 (Otto, Suter), 3:57. 6. Calgary Nieuwendyk 3 (Makarov), 13:49. 7. Winnipeg, Nummenin 1 (Ashton, McDermid), 19:23.

Penalties-Sabourin, Cgy, 4:35.

Shots on goal-Calgary 5-7-10-22. Winnipeg 12-9-11-32.

Power-play conversions-Calgary 0-2. Winnipeg 1-4.

Goaltenders-Calgary, Vernon. Winnipeg, Beauregard. A-11,851.

Referee-Andy van Hellemond.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 9) UPI - Tropical storms have flooded large areas of Thailand and Vietnam, killing at least 20 people and causing widespread damage to crops, official reports said Tuesday.

Tropical storm Ira triggered serious flooding in 19 provinces in Thailand in the past week with 11 people reported killed, official reports said.

A total of more than 120,000 familes were affected by the floods which swept away 49 bridges and damaged more than 500 roads, the reports from the Ministry of the Interior said.

More than 500,000 acres of crops are under water, the reports said.

In Bangkok, flooding worsened already serious traffic problems, preventing many people from getting to work or to schools. By Tuesday, however, most of the floodwaters had subsided.

The official Vietnam News Agency reported similar damage in Vietnam from a storm that lashed the country from Oct. 2 to Oct. 6.

''Nine persons were reported dead and dozens of houses collapsed or were heavily damaged'' in Dong Nai province just northeast of Ho Chi Minh City in southern Vietnam.

The storm, dumping up to 19 inches of rain in some areas, also hit the central province of Nghe Tinh and the Red River province of Thai Binh, near Hanoi, causing ''heavy losses in lives and property,'' it said.

It said the floods destroyed many rice fields just as the crops were due to be harvested.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - Unseasonably cold weather prevailed from the central Plains to the upper Great Lakes early Tuesday and snow fell in Texas.

The National Weather Service posted freeze warnings for western Kansas and for the south-central and northeastern sections of Nebraska, where the temperature rose only into the 40s Monday afternoon.

A cold front brought sleet and light snow to the Texas Panhandle Monday night and dropped the mercury into the 50s in rainy north Texas.

High temperatures were in the 80s and 90s Monday, but were expected to reach only the 50s and low 60s Tuesday in the northern half of the state.

The first Texas snow of the season was reported from east of Dalhart to Perryton, while thunderstorms brought sleet from Amarillo to Dumas.

Temperatures behind the front were about 30 degrees lower than those ahead of it. Gusty north winds and drenching rains added drama to the change to chilly weather.

The touch of winter fingered southward into the Texas Hill Country Monday night along a line from Tyler to Temple to near Ozona.

Heavy continuous rain in the Dallas-Fort Worth area caused some urban and small stream flood problems Monday night, the NWS said.

A high pressure system continued to influence Southern weather, which remained warm and relatively dry.

In Montgomery, Ala., it was 95 degrees Monday, tying a 106-year-old record.

The high of 91 degrees at Columbus, Ga., was the city's warmest reading of record for so late in the season, and also marked a record 106 days of 90-degree weather for the year, the NWS said.

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#90282u0343 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (OCT. 9) UPI - At least 14 people were killed as government troops battled communist guerrillas in five separate incidents over a 48-hour period, the military reported Tuesday.

Brig. Gen. Emiliano Templo said rebels of the communist New Peoples Army raided an army outpost and a police detachment simultaneously at dawn Tuesday in towns of Catarman and San Isidro, Samar island, 300 miles south of Manila. The attacks left three policemen killed and eight people wounded.

Templo said the rebels also ambushed an army team from San Isidro out to reinforce the soldiers, wounding two troopers. He said guerrillas then raided the army detachment after the reinforcing soldiers have left.

On Monday, eight guerrillas were killed when troops, backed by helicopter gunships, strafed rebel positions in Ragay, Camarines Sur, 130 miles southeast of Manila, constabulary spokesman Col. Ernesto Maristela said.

A military report also said three other guerrillas were slain in an encounter in nearby Quezon province Monday.

The 19,000-member NPA, armed wing of the outlawed Communist Party of the Philippines, has been fighting the Manila government for the past 21 years.

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#90282u0351 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

LAHORE, Pakistan (OCT. 9) UPI - A court Tuesday adjourned hearing of two cases against Benazir Bhutto of misconduct during her term as prime minister.

The Special Disqualification Court ordered Bhutto to reappear on Oct. 16 to face corruption charges, which some observers say have been brought in an attempt by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan to have her barred from the forthcoming elections.

The president has alleged Bhutto attempted to help a London hotel company obtain prime land in Islamabad at throwaway prices and that she gave a liquefied natural gas distribution agency to a company owned by a relative.

The ousted prime minister also faces two separate cases in the southern port of Karachi on Wednesday. If found guilty of any of the charges, she could be barred from politics for seven years, including the Oct. 24 polls.

Bhutto, 37, has denied the accusations and has challenged the validity of the special courts, which were set up by Ishaq Khan to try the ex-prime minister and members of her administration.

''The president wants me out of his way,'' Bhutto told reporters during a break in Tuesday's proceedings. ''He wants to overturn the people's verdict by bringing such cases against me.''

Bhutto said she had agreed to appear before the courts only ''because we need a forum to explain our position.''

Ishaq Khan dismissed Bhutto's 20-month-old administration on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to maintain law and order. He appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi as interim prime minister until the elections.

Two of Bhutto's former ministers are facing criminal charges of corruption, while three more must appear before the disqualification courts. Bhutto's husband, businessman Asif Ali Zardari, also faces bank fraud charges and is free on bail.

Tuesday's hearing was postponed from Saturday, when thousands of Bhutto supporters broke through barricades surrounding the High Court building in the northeastern city of Lahore and occupied for about two hours the courtroom where she was to appear.

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#90282u0358 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (OCT. 9) UPI - Aviation authorities said Tuesday a fugitive embezzler hijacked and caused the crash of a jetliner in southern China last week that killed 127 people, but also criticized local airline and airport managers for mishandling the incident.

The government actions came with unusual swiftness for aviation mishaps in China and effectively acknowledged wide criticism overseas that officials in Canton, capital of southern Guangdong Province, botched the response to the hijack and crash aftermath.

The Boeing 737 of the Xiamen Airline Co., a state-owned regional airline, was hijacked Oct. 2 on a domestic flight and crashed as it landed at Canton's Baiyun Airport, slamming into two parked planes in a fireball that left 127 dead and more than 50 injured.

The government statements Tuesday, carried by the Xinhua news agency, were the first detailed official accounts of the incident.

Canton's Aviation Administration Bureau and Public Security Bureau, in a joint statement, identified the hijacker as Jiang Xiaofeng, 21, a purchasing agent for a county government office in the central city of Changsha.

Jiang had been sought by police since July for embezzling $3,600. He boarded the flight in the east coast city of Xiamen, forced his way into the cockpit and threatened to detonate explosives unless he was flown to Taiwan, the statement said.

The pilot said the plane had only enough fuel for Hong Kong, but Jiang refused to go there. Low on fuel, the crew landed the 737 at the Canton airport, but ''the hijacker attacked the pilot and the plane swung to the right, out of control,'' the statement said.

The investigation confirmed survivor accounts of a cockpit struggle before impact, but contradicted reports of an explosion before the crash, saying ''no trace of explosives was found.''

In a separate statement, however, a spokesman for the Civil Aviation Administration of China (CAAC), the national airline and aviation agency, also criticized local officials.

''This serious incident has revealed the existing problems of the airport and airline company in their management,'' the CAAC spokesman said. ''It has been decided that a shakeup of the airport and the company will be made.''

The spokesman reaffirmed that all CAAC staff, airline companies and airports should adhere to existing regulations ''putting safety first, and make the guarantee of the passengers' personal safety in whatever circumstances their priority concern.''

The incident has given travel in China another black eye at a time when tourism is just recovering from the aftermath of the violent crackdown in June 1989 on pro-democracy protesters.

Hong Kong, Taiwan and Macao Chinese and one American were among the dead. Officials of those governments have publicly criticized the handling of the hijack and the crash aftermath, with U.S. officials citing lengthy delay in identifying the bodies.

In Beijing, U.S. Embassy spokesman Sheridan Bell said the remains of the American victim, Mary Anna Gilbert, a teacher from Alabama, were finally confirmed as identified only on Monday by an official of the U.S. Consulate in Canton.

Gilbert's traveling companion, Erin L. Thomas of Oklahoma City, remains hospitalized in Canton with injuries from the crash, Bell said.

At the same time, security at the Xiamen airport has been criticized for allowing the hijacker to board.

Baiyun airport officials have also been criticized for their failure to clear the runway, despite the fact that they were alerted by the 737's crew to the hijacking before landing. One of the parked planes hit was a fully loaded flight bound for Shanghai.

The handling of the hijack itself has also been questioned, since Chinese air crews have in the past tried to mislead hijackers into believing they were being taken to Taiwan when in fact they were landing within China.

The Canton aviation bureau statement claimed the landing at Baiyun was necessitated by low fuel and said ground officials had authorized the crew to land the 737 ''at any airport within or without China's borders,'' including Taiwan, to ensure safety.

Responding to the hijack, Taiwan announced last week it would no longer grant asylum to hijackers as it has for decades. Tuesday's CAAC statement said Chinese authorities ''welcome the decision.''

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BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 9) UPI - The Thai cabinet Tuesday lifted a ban on imports of foreign cigarettes but maintained government control of distribution, a government spokesman said.

Spokesman Pornthep Techapaiboon said the cabinet approved imports of foreign cigarettes after the General Agreement of Tariffs and Trade ruled last week

Thailand acted unfairly in prohibiting foreign cigarettes.

The United States has long pressured Thailand to import American cigarettes despite Thai insistance the ban was a measure to protect public health.

U.S. officials, however, have pointed out Thailand did not ban the sale of domestically produced cigarettes, meaning the ban was actually an unfair trade practice.

''If we don't follow GATT's decision, the Americans will launch tough retaliatory measures against Thai products,'' Pornthep said.

He said the cabinet was concerned that Thai exports would suffer from U.S. actions under Section 301 of the Trade Act.

''We might lose our GSP (Generalized System of Preferences) privileges in the United States,'' he said.

Pornthep said Thailand still has the right to strictly control cigarette distribution and prohibit cigarette sponsorship of sporting events.

''There will be no advertisments allowed of any kind and imported cigarettes will be charged with (a) 55 percent excise tax,'' he said.

Pornthep said legislation would be considered to require all cigarettes sold in Thailand to have health warnings in the Thai language and include a list of all ingrediants.

Despite the existing ban, foreign cigarettes are smuggled into Thailand and are widely available in most cities.

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#90282u0534 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 9) UPI - Congress gave an O-K today to an budget plan and an emergency spending bill. The White House says President Bush will sign it so the U-S government can conduct business as usual. Bush is expected to pen his signature later this morning. A plan to cut the deficit by 500- BILLION dollars over the next five years cleared both houses of Congress, a Bush requirement before he would approve the stop-gap spending measure.

The shuttle Discovery astronauts are awake and have started on a full schedule for their final day in space. The five-member crew was roused by the songs Fanfare to a Common Man and the University of Missouri fight song. After breakfast and exercise, the crew planned routine maintenance and a check of the spacecraft. Discovery is due back early tomorrow at Edwards Air Base in Calfornia.

It's down to the wire for United Airlines workers trying to buy parent U-A-L Corporation. United employee were UNable to get financing for a scaled-down three-point-seven-BILLION dollar plan. They raced to draft a further discounted offer yesterday, one day before a deadline set by U-A-L directors. The employee group says the new plan includes a cash component of only 60 to 80 dollars a share, plus preferred stock and debt instruments.

Forbes magazine is out with its list of America's 400 richest people, and real estate baron Donald Trump isN'T on it. He was joined on the sidelines by Ralph Ingersoll, whose newspaper empire was heavily funded by junk bonds, and Malcolm Forbes... who died this year. Fallen junk bond king Michael Milken made it with an estimated worth of 700-Million dollars. Communications mogul John Werner Kluge soared with an estimated worth of at least five-point-six-BILLION dollars.

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#90282u0539 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 9) UPI - A Georgia youth was sentenced on his 16th birthday yesterday to two years in juvenile custody in the fire-bominbg of an N-double-A-C-P office last July. He was also to do 100 hours of community service after his custody sentence. The teen-ager told a Jonesboro judge that he apologized to the civil rights group. The boy and two other youths were charged with first-degree arson and possession of an incendiary device. NO one was hurt in the incidents.

China's Aviation Administration criticized a regional airline and airport in southern Canton, after a hijacking and jet crash last week. A Boeing 737 was hijacked on a domestic flight last Tuesday and crashed at Canton's Airport, killing 127 people and injuring at least 50 people. The U-S Embassy says the remains of Mary Anna Gilbert of Alabama were formally identified yesterday by an embassy official in Canton. Erin Thomas of Oklahoma City remains hospitalized in Canton with injuries from the crash.

Reports from Thailand and Vietnam say at least 20 people died in flooding from tropical storms. Tropical Storm Ira triggered serious flooding in 19 provinces in Thailand during the past week, with 11 people reported killed. In Bangkok, most of the flood waters had subsided by early today. Vietnam reported nine people dead in storms last week northeast of Ho Chi Minh City in southern Vietnam.

High-caste Hindus in India disrupted road and rail traffic yesterday amid reports of attempted suicides by three students protesting government job quotas. Police say two students set themselves on fire in separates incidents yesterday in New Delhi. Both were hospitalized for treatment of burns. High-caste Hindus staged rallies across India's capital to protest a plan to reserve Indian government jobs for members of lower castes.

#90282u0562 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 9) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed lower in light trading Tuesday, giving up early gains amid profit taking prompted by last week's fast-paced recovery.

The Nikkei Average of 225 selective issues, which gained 802.35 points Monday, slipped 134.89 points to 23,495.11.

Early in the session, the Nikkei gained as much as 340 points before being dragged down by cautious investors and profit taking.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index eked out a 1.50 point gain to 1,728.69. TOPIX had jumped 46.52 points Monday.

Advances outnumbered declines 583 to 381, while 130 issues remained unchanged.

Volume remained light as an estimated 450 million shares changed hands, slightly higher 395 million shares Monday.

Traders in Tokyo will take a break Wednesday, as banks, markets and most major businesses close for Sports Day. Trading will resume Thursday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices closed lower on the Hong Kong Stock Exchangein a slow trading.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which surged 75.03 points Monday, slipped 11.96 points to 2,913.52.

In Singapore, stocks closed lower in quiet trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which eased 3.90 points Monday, slipped 4.73 points to 1,105.30. The broader-based All Singapore Index, which eased 1.02 points Monday, dipped 3.76 points to 307.58.

An estimated 20.9 million shares changed hands, compared with 22.2 million shares Monday.

In Bangkok, stock prices closed slightly higher in light trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Stock Exchange of Thailand Index, which added 7.11 points Monday, added another 2.10 points to 682.19.

Volume amounted to around 2.4 billion shares, compared with 1.7 billion shares Monday.

Advances edged out declines, 79 to 61 with the best-performing stocks in the financial sector.

In Australia, stock prices closed slightly higher in moderate trading on the Sydney Sharemarket boosted in part by Monday's strong performance in London.

The All Ordinaries Index, which gained 12.6 points Monday, added another 5.9 points to 1,375.4.

Volume amounted to 55.7 million shares, compared with 49.3 million shares Monday.

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#90282u0618 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 9) UPI - Congress gave final approval early this morning to a budget agreement and a stop gap spending bill. The White House says President Bush will sign the measures. Some federal agencies have been closed down because of a lack of money.

The shuttle Discovery astronauts have plunged into the activities of their last full day in space. They will prepare for tomorrow's return to Earth. The shuttle was launched Saturday.

Unseasonably cold weather has moved into the area from the central Plains to the upper Great Lakes. Freeze warnings are posted in parts of Kansas and Nebraska. Light snow fell in the Texas Panhandle.

Tropical storm Klaus strengthened again yesterday and its 40-mile-an- hour winds threatened the Bahamas. Another storm, Lili, sprang to life and was over the central Atlantic with winds of 65 miles an hour.

Official reports say at least 20 people have been killed in the past week by tropical storms in Thailand and Vietnam. Up to 19 inches of rain fell in Vietnam. Flooding in Bangkok kept many paople from getting to work.

The Palestine Liberation Organization's observer at the United Nations wants the Security Council to investigate yesterday's violence in Israel. The P-L-O claims 23 Palestinians were killed by Israeli forces.

The Philippine military reports five incidents between troops and communists in the last two days. At least 14 people were killed. Eight guerrillas died when the government strafed their positions 130 miles southeast of Manila.

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#90282u0619 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 9) UPI - Iranian President Rafsanjani says Iran is honoring the U-N sanctions against Iraq. He said Iraq would withdraw from Kuwait if all countries observed the embargo as fully as Iran. The River Elbe will be cleaned up. Germany, Czechoslovakia and the European Community have agreed to clean the river so it can be used for drinking water again. The Elbe is now one of central Europe's most polluted rivers.

The N-F-L players' union says NO reporters- male or female- should be allowed in team locker rooms. The union issued a statement calling for separate interview areas in stadiums.

Authorities in Hawaii report lava from Kilauea volcano has destroyed more houses on the southeastern part of the island of Hawaii. Kaimu, the next community to the northeast, is now threatened.

A moderate earthquake shook Lima, Peru, yesterday and sent thousands of people running into the streets. NO injuries or damage was reported.

Polish authorities have arrested seven former officials of the Interior Ministry on bribery charges. One is a former minister who has been linked to the 1984 killing of a priest.

British diplomats complain that babies with AIDS are being treated in Bucharest, Romania, with a drug they call ''useless.'' The British say there is NO independent confirmation that the drug is effective.

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#90282u0658 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (OCT. 9) UPI - A senior Communist Party official indicated Tuesday a crucial party meeting has been postponed until December at the earliest, apparently due to a lack of consensus concerning China's troubled economy, Japanese sources said.

Li Ruihuan, a member of the party Politburo's ruling Standing Committee, made the remark during a meeting with a visiting Japanese politician. Li oversees cultural affairs and is regarded as the most liberal among the committee's six members.

The meeting in question is a so-called plenum of the party's policy- making Central Committee, at which the country's conservative leadership is expected to finalize a new five-year economic plan.

''Japanese papers reported that the plenum will open in November, but thats incorrect,'' Li told former Japanese Construction Minister Kiyoshi Mizuno at a meeting, according to Japanese sources who declined to be identified.

''The plenum will not open until after November,'' Li said.

Initial forecasts were that the plenum would be held this month after the just-concluded Beijing Asian Games. The date was then pushed back to November.

Government spokesman Yuan Mu told reporters privately last week that the plenum would be held in late November.

Li did not say whether the meeting would be held in December or later, and gave no explanation for the postponement. But different factions within the party are known to be in disagreement over economic policy and personnel matters.

At the heart of the matter is the pace and shape of economic reform, with some aging leaders favoring central planning over calls for a more liberal market system.

Li's comment coincided with a lengthy article on the economy by hard- line Premier Li Peng.

The article, which took up almost a full page in the Communist Party flagship Peoples Daily, outlined a number of problems in the domestic economy and advocated more central planning.

''All vital national projects must be incorporated into the (state) plan,'' the Soviet-trained premier wrote. ''We cannot blindly develop.''

Li Peng denounced past ''boom-bust'' cycles of inflation followed by periods of tightening, and said future outbreaks of economic chaos must be prevented. He also warned China's natural resources are too scarce for land to be used to entice foreign investment.

Land has been leased to some foreign companies in south China's special economic zones.

Both Li Peng and Li Ruihuan spoke of ''combining'' a new five-year economic plan with an ambitious 10-year overall development plan that would ideally map out the direction of the Chinese economy.

Among the leadership's goals is the doubling of China's gross national product by the year 2000, thus duplicating the feat of senior Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping over the past decade of economic reform.

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#90282u0685 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 8: Purchases of 248, 584 shares and sales of 329,010 shares including 12,186

shares sold short.

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#90282u0727 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 9) UPI - President Bush signed an omnibus emergency spending bill this morning, hours after it won congressional approval. That means the federal government will open today for business. The White House says Bush signed the bill at 7:07 eastern time, this mornin+tion is congressional passage of a budget reconciliation bill by October 19th.

Discovery astronauts Richard Richards and Robert Cabana today carried out tests on the ship to make sure all is well for a space shuttle landing tomorrow in the California desert. Richards and Cabana briefly switched on one of Discovery's three auxiliary power units to test the spaceship's control systems.

Newly sworn-in Supreme Court justice David Souter joins his eight colleagues tomorrow in hearing one of the year's major cases. The court examines a dispute over the legality of company policies excluding women from jobs that may endanger a fetus. Souter was formally sworn in as a Supreme Court justice yesterday at the White House.

Security forces are on alert throughout Israel and the occupied territories as Arabs observe a strike protesting the deaths of at least 21 Palestinians killed by police during riots on the Temple Mount. The Gaza Strip and West Bank towns and all refugee camps are under curfew to prevent more violence. Several Arab neighborhoods in Jerusalem were declared closed after disturbances today.

Philippine Army officials say at least 14 people died as government forces battled communist rebels in five separate incidents during the last two days. Rebels of the New Peoples Army raided an army outpost and a police detachment simultaneously today in towns 300 miles south of Manila. Three police officers were killed and eight people were wounded.

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#90282u0728 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 9) UPI - Political sources in Lebanon say Druze Moslem leader Walid Jumblatt has been called to Syria after he publicly condemned a 12-day seige in Beirut by pro-Syrian troops against a Christian general. Jumblatt's remarks came at a weekend rally of Christian citizens from the Israel-occupied security zone, 15 miles south of Beirut.

Winter-like weather prevailed from the central Plains to the upper Great Lakes today. A cold front brought sleet and light snow to the Texas Panhandle last night, as the mercury fell to the 50's in north Texas. A high pressure system

influenced weather across the South, where it remained warm and mostly dry.

Country singer George Strait was nearly speechless when he was named Entertainer of the Year at the Country Music Association awards in Nashville last night. The Texas crooner beat out Kathy Mattea, Randy Travis, Clint Black and Ricky Van Shelton to capture the top award in country music.

Chinese doctors have UNveiled a so-called anti-AIDS ''tonic'' made from herbs and seaweed. Doctors in Beijing introduced a concoction made of honeysuckle, chrysanthemums, seaweed and something called ''Chinese gromwell.'' They gave NO detailed evidence that the treatment works, recommending that it be used in conjunction with Western drugs.

South African officials say a gang of 25 black men with Ninja knives staged random attacks on white pedestrians in the port city of Durban. Police say at least eight white South Africans were injured. Authorities report that six men were arrested as police searched the area. Police say there was NO apparent motive for the attack.

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#90282u0735 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

LOWELL, MA (OCT. 9) UPI - A dancer who asked Lowell police for political asylum after she defected from her touring Cambodian troupe apparently has headed to Washington, D.C., to confer with immigration officials, her lawyer said Tuesday.

Mas Adi Meas, 23, is the fourth dancer to leave the troupe since it arrived in the United States about a month ago. Three others left in Minnesota and as many as seven other members sought asylum while the troupe was in London, according to Jeffrey Davidson, a Lowell police inspector.

The lawyer who was representing Meas, Joseph Sexton III of Lowell, said he had arranged to meet with immigration officials in Boston Tuesday but learned late Monday that she apparently went to Washington to present her asylum request to the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Meas on Sunday walked into the Lowell police station to request political asylum just before the rest of her touring dance company, the Classical Dance Company of Cambodia from Phnom Penh, headed for New York where five performances were scheduled.

The Boston Herald reported Tuesday that the New York performances may not go on because of the defections and death threats.

Producer Eileen Blumenthal said one of the show's stars, Yim Devi, was the target of an attempted abduction at knifepoint Monday by a Cambodian man in New York. She said the man had followed Devi since the troupe first performed

in Los Angeles.

''He showed her a knife and said that if she went with him she would be all right but if she kept dancing, he would kill her,'' Blumenthal said.

She said the death threat was the latest against members of the troupe.

Meas asked for police help early Sunday, Lowell Police Lt. John Sullivan said. At the station, police contacted the State Department in Washington, which apparently contacted the INS, Sullivan said.

Lowell has the second largest Cambodian community in the country behind Long Beach, Calif., with about 25,000 people.

Leny You, program director for Cambodian-American Community Television in Lowell, said he taped the troupe's performance in Lowell Saturday night and also taped the troupe boarding a bus headed for New York on Sunday.

''Everybody got on the bus and (Meas) went to a car,'' You said, adding Meas has family in the Lowell area.

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#90282u0772 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

RALEIGH, NC (OCT. 9) UPI - A new poll shows that the Senate race between Republican three-term incumbent Jesse Helms and Democratic challenger Harvey Gantt is in a dead heat.

The poll for The News and Observer and WRAL-TV shows that 43.5 percent of those asked favored Gantt and 42.7 percent said they supported Helms. Nine percent said they were undecided in the Nov. 6 contest.

The survey of 621 registered voters conducted Oct. 1-4 and published Tuesday, has a 3.5 percent to 4 percent margin of error.

The poll shows the race is even tighter when those undecided were asked who they were leaning toward. With that, each candidate got 46.9 percent and only 6.3 percent were totally uncommitted.

White voters make up 35 percent of Gantt's supporters. The first black Democratic U.S. Senate nominee has 81 percent of the black vote to Helms' 9 percent.

About 67 percent of those surveyed were Democrats and 30 percent were Republicans, 80 percent were white, 20 percent were black, 56.2 were women and 43.8 percent were men.

The survey found 42.2 percent thought Helms was doing a good or excellent job

but 53.2 percent said the senator was doing a fair or poor job.

Independent Opinion Research and Communications of Wrightsville Beach conducted the poll.

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#90282u0794 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

FORT WORTH, Texas (OCT. 9) UPI - American Airlines has issued layoff notices to about 40 employees as part of a plan to trim 1,000 jobs in light of the weakening U.S. economy and rising jet fuel prices.

Airline spokesman Al Becker confirmed Monday that layoff notices had been sent to ''about 40 people system wide.''

The layoffs are the first for the carrier, based in Fort Worth, Texas, in nearly eight years. The carrier employs more than 90,400 people.

American officials initially planned to trim most of the jobs through attrition and a hiring freeze in management and clerical ranks. In recent interviews, they said layoffs were possible, but would be considered only as a last resort.

Becker said the laid-off workers may be re-absorbed by the company in other jobs. Those who are left without positions will have priority rights over other applicants if they qualify for new posts.

American is continuing to hire pilots, flight attendants, mechanics and other workers needed to handle the carrier's rapidly growing fleet. American expects to add a net gain of 114 aircraft to its fleet by the end of 1991.

Becker said the carrier's jet fuel prices have risen from 54 cents a gallon in the summer to the current 92 cents, with prices as high as $1.26 on some spot markets.

Several workers at American's home base at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport were laid off. They include airplane cleaners and baggage handlers.

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#90282u0796 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 9) UPI - President Bush was up at dawn to sign the emergency spending bill into law. He signed it at 7:07 a-m, early enough to allow government offices to open for the day after a two-day shutdown because of lack of money. The bill and a plan to reduce the deficit by 500- BILLION dollars over five years were approved by Congress this morning.

The five shuttle Discovery astronauts are in their last full day in space.

They are preparing for tomorrow's re-entry and return to Earth. That involves testing the shuttle's landing and guidance systems. Discovery was launched on Saturday. Its main mission was sending the space probe Ulysses on a trip that eventually will put it into orbit around the sun.

Police report a rampage in the South African Indian Ocean port city of Durban. A gang of 25 black men raided a curio shop and took Ninja knives and other weapons. They then ran through the center of the city and randomly attacked white pedestrians. At least eight people- as old as 85- were hurt. A police spokesman says hundreds of people panicked. Police made six arrests.

Two Middle East leaders are calling on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to pull his troops out of occupied Kuwait. Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi said after the withdrawal, Saddam should declare war on western forces staying in the region. Gadhafi said, however, Iraq should be given a ''disputed territory'' on the Iraqi-Kuwaiti border, including oil fields. Iranian President Rafsanjani also called for a pullout. He said Iraq is to blame for the foreign troops' presence.

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#90282u0812 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, Belgium (OCT. 9) UPI - A Renault-Volvo alliance to create the world's largest truck-and-bus producer is the first agreement to be probed by the European Community's new merger agency, officials said Tuesday.

The 46-member EC Merger Task Force, designed to police most large EC mergers, began operations Sept. 21 and is expected to scrutinize about 40 deals annually.

Renault, the state-owned automaker in France, and the Swedish firm Volvo AB announced the complicated stock deal in February at a news conference in Amsterdam.

Under the agreement, Gothenburg, Sweden-based Volvo would acquire a 20 percent share in Renault, with an option to take another 5 percent stake. Renault would assume a 10 percent stake in Volvo. Each firm would hold 45 percent of the other's truck and bus divisions.

The EC competition commissioner, Sir Leon Brittan, said earlier this year the deal did not appear to present problems under EC competition law, which barred ''abuse of a dominant position.''

The new merger law, passed last December but effective only last month, is designed to prevent creation of a dominant position in the first place.

''The criteria are slightly different,'' an EC spokesman said Tuesday.

Under the new merger rules, firms participating in large mergers must notify the Merger Task Force when a deal is finalized. The EC spokesman said Renault and Volvo notified the task force last Friday.

When announced, the deal was said to create the world's fourth- largest auto entity, with yearly sales of $45 billion.

''The combination of the truck and bus side will give us the largest combined operation of the world market,'' Volvo Chairman Pehr Gyllenhammar said in announcing the arrangement.

Volvo specializes in heavy-duty trucks, while Renault's strength is in light-duty trucks and vans.

The EC task force has sole jurisdiction to police most mergers involving companies trading a combined 5 billion European Currency Units ($6.5 billion) within the 12-nation Community. Smaller mergers are handled by national authorities.

The task force must decide within a month whether the Renault-Volvo deal poses competition problems, and if so, it has an additional four months to approve the deal, veto it or approve the transaction with modifications.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	71	37	....
Anchorage sy	47	30	.06
Asheville cy	79	58	....
Atlanta pc	87	64	....
Baltimore pc	84	69	....
Billings pc	50	34	....
Birmingham pc	88	70	....
Bismarck sy	53	24	....
Boston sh	78	56	.07
Brownsville pc	94	76	....
Buffalo r	66	50	.07
Burlington Vt. r	50	47	.07
Charleston S.C. pc	80	73	....
Charlotte pc	85	62	....
Chicago r	53	46	1.17
Cincinnati r	79	69	.15
Cleveland r	63	59	.15
Columbus Ohio r	73	66	....
Dallas r	82	52	2.40

Denver sy	39	28	.04
Des Moines cy	50	39	....
Detroit r	53	50	1.09
Duluth pc	46	21	.03.
El Paso sy	84	49	....
Evansville r	79	60	.71
Fargo pc	55	30	....
Hartford sh	85	60	1.15
Honolulu sy	89	75	....
Houston ts	92	73	....
Indianapolis r	69	52	....
Jackson Miss. pc	93	70	....
Jacksonville pc	88	69	....
Kansas City dz	52	42	0.12
Las Vegas sy	73	54	....
Little Rock ts	77	60	3.53
Los Angeles sy	93	64	....
Louisville r	82	71	....
Memphis r	80	70	.06
Miami Beach ts	85	76	.18
Milwaukee sh	51	44	.37
Minneapolis pc	48	34	....
Nashville pc	78	70	....
New Orleans ts	90	68	....
New York cy	81	68	1.8
Oklahoma City cy	56	44	.42
Omaha cy	47	37	.19
Orlando pc	89	73	.01
Philadelphia hz	83	69	.17
Phoenix cl	90	66	....
Pittsburgh cy	73	61	....
Portland Me. dz	64	50	....
Portland Ore. sy	67	43	....
Providence sh	79	58	....
Richmond sy	90	63	....
St. Louis sh	61	49	....
Salt Lake City sy	55	33	....
San Antonio ts	93	58	2.76
San Diego sy	83	59	....
San Francisco sy	85	57	....
San Juan sh	91	76	....
Seattle cy	63	45	....
Spokane pc	58	40	....
Tampa pc	92	73	....
Washington pc	83	71	....

c-clear
cl-clearing

cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $397.70 silver base of $4.71 and platinum price of $450.50:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$414.00	406.60
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	212.30	208.50
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	109.00	107.10
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	44.20
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	414.00	406.60
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	212.30	208.50
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	109.50	107.60
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	45.00	44.20
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	420.70	413.10
China Panda .50 troy oz.	216.70	212.80
China Panda .25 troy oz.	112.40	110.40
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	48.60	47.70
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	29.00	28.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	414.00	406.60
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	211.60	207.80
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	106.80	104.90
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	46.00	45.20
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	412.20	405.20
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	213.20	209.60
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	109.40	107.60
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	46.50	45.70
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	412.10	405.20
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	211.90	209.60

Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	89.80	88.30
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	47.00	46.20
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.80	23.50
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.12	$6.05
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,410	$3,360
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,475	$1,475
Platinum		
Australian Koala	472.00	465.00
Isle of Man Noble	461.00	454.00
Canada Maple Leaf	473.00	465.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90282u0834 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - The Supreme Court Tuesday agreed to decide whether police can legally board interstate buses and trains to randomly search luggage for drugs, as long as passengers give their consent and are advised they have a right to refuse.

The Florida Supreme Court outlawed the practice, claiming it was ''inherently coercive'' and violated the Fourth Amendment's prohibition against unreasonable searches and seizures.

The state of Florida asked the high court to review the finding, which made drug evidence inadmissable in six cases.

As part of drug interdiction programs, police departments in Broward County and Palm Beach County adopted a policy of having officers routinely board interstate buses and trains at random during scheduled stops.

The uniformed police would then ask passengers for permission to search their luggage and advise them they may refuse to consent.

A trial court held the practice unlawful, but that decision was overturned by an appeals court.

The Florida Supreme Court then took up the matter and ruled that the police policy was unconstitutional.

The court found that in the case of Terrance Bostick, he was effectively ''seized'' by police who asked to search his bags during a short layover on a bus trip in Fort Lauderdale.

''Because Bostick was en route to Atlanta, he could not leave the bus, which was soon to depart,'' the court wrote. ''He had only the confines of the bus in which to move about, had he felt the officers would let him do so.''

The court ruled that the government ''exceeded its power to interfere with the privacy of an individual citizen who is not even suspected of any criminal wrongdoing,'' and called the ''intrusion upon privacy rights ... too great for a democracy to sustain.''

89-1717 State of Florida vs. Terrance Bostick

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#90282u0842 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (OCT. 9) UPI - China, worried about economic sanctions and a growing bilateral trade surplus, is sending its largest-ever import mission to the United States and is telling its foreign-trade agencies to buy American, fficials said Tuesday.

''This will be the biggest group we have sent,'' said Sun Zhenyu, deputy director of the Americas department of the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations. ''We want to demonstrate how eager we are to improve our imports.''

The delegation, numbering up to 300 during the 20-day mission, will leave later this month and visit Washington, New York, Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles and Seattle. Its members include national, provincial and local trade and business officials.

Sun and delegation leader Wang Runsheng, a former MOFERT deputy minister, acknowledged a primary objective is to ease criticism in the U.S. Congress of China's rising exports to the U.S. market and shrinking imports of American products.

They also acknowledged the continued sanctions imposed on China since the government crackdown on pro-democracy protesters in June 1989. The Bush administration suspended high-level visits, military cooperation and most new lending to China.

''This fully puts our priorities on imports from the United States,'' said Wang, currently a member of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, China's nominal parliament.

Sun said delegation members hoped to negotiate several hundred million dollars worth of purchases, and indicated the government was encouraging provincial trade agencies to buy U.S. products.

''If left on their own, they might buy from Europe or Japan, but we are putting emphasis on telling them to organize purchases from American businesses,'' he said. ''We must try to do something to correct this state of affairs.''

The officials said delegation members planned also to meet with members of Congress to discuss China's most-favored-nation trade status, which guarantees preferential tariff treatment for Chinese exports to the United States.

President Bush earlier this year recertified China for MFN, but Congress has considered revoking it over human rights concerns.

According to U.S. figures, China sold $12 billion in exports to the United States last year, while buying about $6 billion of American goods. Beijing has much lower figures, but fails to include exports shipped through Hong Kong to the U.S. market.

China's exports continued to rise in the first half of this year, while imports declined 15 percent, due to a combination of the sanctions, a Chinese government austerity program and the devaluation last December of the Chinese currency.

The officials said the delegation was going at the invitation of the U.S.-China Business Council and would look to buy grain, cotton, timber, machinery and advanced technology products.

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#90282u0843 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (OCT. 9) UPI - The European Community executive agency said Tuesday it ''vigorously condemns'' the latest violence in Jerusalem and the Israeli-occupied territories.

Some 20 Arab protesters were killed on Monday when Israli police opened fire during a demonstration, and problems were reported later in the occupied territories.

The EC executive agency, which is known as the Commission, expressed ''consternation'' at the turn of events.

''All provocation and all violence in the region only delays and complicates again the search for a solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict,'' the EC agency said.

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#90282u0846 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
NAIROBI, KENYA (OCT. 9) UPI - Bush warfare continued to rage in northern Rwanda Tuesday, but Foreign Minister Casimir Bizimungu reportedly said tough military action and cooperation from neighbor countries was stemming the east African country's 10-day civil war.

About 1,500 disaffected long-term Rwandan refugees from Uganda stormed across Rwanda's northern border Sept. 30, vowing to depose President Juvenal Habyarimana. Western diplomats in Nairobi say there are now 5,000 to 7,000 rebels, including deserters from the Ugandan army and Rwandan refugees who have lived in Uganda.

That has now stopped, Bizimungu told diplomats in the capital Kigali in a statement read over Rwanda Radio.

The Ugandan government has prevented about 10,000 refugees ''who had planned to enter Rwanda to commit subversive activities'' from doing so, and Bizimungu added, ''The government of Rwanda is now dealing with those who entered a few days ago.''

Meanwhile, he said the government was holding about 500 people in Kigali at a sports stadium. Other reports said as many as 1,500 people had been detained, mostly civilians with inadequate identification papers.

''More than 500 traitors, thugs and troublemakers have been caught in Kigali '' Bizimungu said, five days after bands of armed men attacked installations in the capital.

He said more than 200 rebels, led by Maj. Gen. Fred Rwigyema - a former army commander in Uganda - had been killed in fighting along the northern border and stressed no foreign troops were involved in the fighting.

France, Belgium and Zaire have all deployed soldiers into Rwanda in the past week. The rebels, calling themselves the Rwandese Patriotic Front, have warned all three countries not to get involved in the fighting.

France and Belgium have repeatedly stressed they are only there to protect about 2,300 French and Belgian civilians living in Rwanda. About half of these civilians left the country at the weekend.

The government has flown continuous helicopter bombing missions against the rebels, but diplomats contacted by telephone in Kigali said it was unclear Tuesday who was winning the bush war.

Habyarimana's government, dominated by the majority Hutu tribe, accused the rebels of starting a tribal war along the lines of conflicts and uprisings in

the 1950s and 1960s, when Hutu massacres drove hundreds of thousands of the minority Tutsi tribe into exile in Uganda, Burundi, Tanzania and Zaire.

There are about 80,000 Rwandans in Uganda alone.

The rebels, mainly Tutsi, countered their forces include many Hutu and said in a statement Monday ''the present conflict is motivated by nationalistic and patriotic ideals.''

They accused France, Belgium and Zaire of ''refusing to see the plight of a persecuted and deprived people. You have closed your ears to the wails of millions of Rwandese wriggling helplessly in the grip of a brutal dictatorship.''

Habyarimana's government, stable since his military coup in 1973, has a relatively good human rights record in the eyes of most western governments, according to diplomats.

The concentration of power in the hands of a few close advisers from the president's native area of the country, however, has in recent years brought an upsurge of anti-government feeling from excluded Hutu and Tutsi alike.

According to rebels interviewed in Ugandan newspapers, Habyarimana's statement earlier this year that Rwanda was too overcrowded to accomodate returning refugees triggered much of the exiles' bitterness against him.

Rwanda has the highest population density in Africa, and suffered a minor famine in February this year because of overfarming of its crowded hills.

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#90282u0870 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, LEBANON (OCT. 9) UPI - Palestinian and Lebanese Moslem leaders called Tuesday for an armed struggle against Israel as thousands of angry Palestinians protested the killing of about 20 Arabs in Jerusalem.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, in a statement to the Moslem world Tuesday, warned Israel to evacuate occupied Arab territories or risk a quick response to its actions.

''The wounds of sad Jerusalem cannot be healed by statements or condemnations. ... Only quick action to revenge the Israeli massacres against the Palestinians can heal its wounds,'' Saddam's statement said.

Thousands of Palestinians in the refugee camp of Ein El Helweh, 24 miles south of Beirut, chanted anti-Israeli and anti-American slogans, witnesses said.

The demonstrators denounced the Israeli and U.S. policy in the Israel-occupied

territories and called for escalating the struggle against ''the Zionist enemy.''

Witnesses said the protesters, who carried Palestinian and black flags and pictures of Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat, burned tires at the entrances to the camp.

Israeli police opened fire on thousands of Palestinians demonstrating at Islam's third-holiest site in Jerusalem Monday, killing at least 21 Moslems and wounding more than 150.

''Woe unto them. They are the killers of the prophets,'' said Husniyah, a 70-year-old Palestinian woman in El Helweh.

''With blood we redeem Jerusalem,'' chanted some 200 PLO guerrillas carrying Soviet-made rifles. ''We will avenge our martyred brothers.''

Among the demonstrators were representatives of various Palestinian factions and Lebanese Moslem and leftist parties.

A PLO representative in Lebanon, Zeid Wehbeh, called for ''a joint military stand to confront Israel and the United States, which occupies the Arab Peninsula, a reference to the deployment of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia to counter Iraqi aggression.

Wehbeh described the Jerusalem killings as ''a terrible massacre.''

''This crime will not pass without punishment, and we clearly announce that any Israeli soldier will be from now on a target for our uprising heroes and Palestinian strugglers,'' Wehbeh said.

The radical Palestinian group of Abu Nidal said that ''the massacre was part of a Zionist plot to terrorize our people as a prelude to empty Palestinian Arab territories and pave the way for settling thousands of Soviet Jews.''

The statement called for the rejection of dialogue and negotiation with Israel.

A spokesman for the breakaway Al Fatah-Uprising in Damascus, Syria, called on the ''Palestinian strugglers inside the occupied territories to use firearms at a large scale to confront Israeli soldiers and settlers.''

The mentor of the Iranian-backed Hezbollah, Sheik Mohammed Hussein Fadlallah, said the Jerusalem killings were aimed at undermining the nearly 3-year-old Palestinian uprising.

''The natural response to this brutal and barbaric massacre is to boost the Intifada (uprising) and escalate Lebanese resistance against Israeli troops in southern Lebanon,'' Fadlallah said.

Pro-Syrian Lebanese Prime Minister Selim Al Hoss condemned the killings, saying, ''This was not Israel's first crime, as the history of the Jewish state is full of collective crimes committed against our people inside the occupied territories and Lebanon.''

Palestinian and Lebanese parties proclaimed Wednesday a day of mourning in Moslem West Beirut and southern Lebanon.

Security sources said Israeli troops along the Israeli-Lebanese frontier and inside Israel's self-proclaimed ''security zone'' were on full alert, fearing attacks by Palestinian and Lebanese guerrillas.

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#90282u0873 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - The Supreme Court Tuesday refused a request to review the constitutionality of the Army's urinalysis drug testing program.

At issue was whether a urinalysis test without suspicion, conducted as part of a military commander's inspection of his troops, violated the Fourth Amendment's protection against unreasonable searches and seizures.

The case was brought by Army Staff Sgt. Clarence E. Peten, who was court-martialed in Fort Rucker, Ala., in October 1988 for, among other things, using cocaine. The charge was based on a drug test conducted eight months earlier.

Peten, who was convicted and sentenced to six months incarceration, a rank reduction and a bad-conduct discharge, contended the military's rationale for conducting drug tests is illegal because it uses them primarily as a basis to court-martial soldiers.

While the high court has upheld the use of ''special needs'' drug tests to ensure safety in certain jobs like railroad workers, the Army's policy differs because it uses urinalysis ''to ferret out and prosecute drug abusers,'' attorneys for Peten argued.

The Justice Department, in asking the court not to hear the case, pointed out that the court already has upheld the legality of drug tests for Customs Service agents who carry guns.

90-302 Clarence E. Peten vs. United States

-30- 1535

#90282u0890 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - The Supreme Court Tuesday let stand a decision that

a public school system allowing its choice of organizations to use its facilities is required to grant similar access to a wide range of groups.

At issue was whether a public school system renting its facilities to some community, civic and cultural organizations during non-school hours is legally an open public forum required under the First Amendment to grant similar access to other groups - including those it may not agree with.

Many school systems nationwide allow their facilities to be used by various groups, thus the court's refusal to hear the case could affect school districts nationwide.

The case stemmed from a decision of the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which held that Centennial School District in Pennsylvania violated freedom of speech when in October 1987 it refused to allow the evangelical group Campus Crusade for Christ Inc., to use one of its schools for a religious activity.

At the time the school district rented space to other religious groups, and a federal court issued a preliminary injunction forcing Centennial to rent space at William Tennent High School in Warminster, Pa., to Campus Crusade for Christ and barring it from refusing to rent its facilities to groups based on the religious content of their speech.

The basis of the court's order was that the school district had in effect created an ''open forum'' for free speech and assembly at its facilities and so could not refuse to rent to a group based solely on the content of that group's religious message.

In March 1988, the school district amended its policies to limit use of its facilities, including the exclusion of all religious groups. It maintained it no longer constituted an open forum.

Campus Crusade for Christ said it might wish to use the facilities again and returned to federal court, which granted a permanent injunction again barring the school district from refusing to rent space to the religious group.

Centennial took the case to the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which ruled in June by a 2-1 decision that the school district had indeed created an open forum and could not exclude religious speech.

''This case presents a constitutional question of enormous practical moment to school districts around the nation,'' Centennial said in its appeal to the high court.

It argued that if the appeals court decision was upheld, most American public school systems would be required to grant access to ''even the most fractious religious and political speakers.''

''School districts should not be forced by the First Amendment to the Draconian choice of closing their doors to the likes of the Girl Scouts, adult education classes, and local Rotary Clubs if they are to avoid becoming a soapbox for every form of divisive proselytizing speech,'' the school district argued.

90-304 Centennial School District et al. vs. Harry Gregoire, et al.

-30- 3214

#90282u0899 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 9) UPI - The St. Louis Cardinals have hired Bucky Dent, Dave Collins, Joe Coleman and Gaylen Pitts as coaches for the 1991 season, Manager Joe Torre announced Tuesday.

Dent, fired earlier this season as manager of the New York Yankees, will be the third-base coach for the Cardinals, Torre said. He said Collins will coach first base and Coleman will be the pitching coach. Pitts, who managed the team's Class AAA affiliate in Louisville, Ky., this season, will work with the infielders and help set the defense.

Two coaches who already were with the Cardinals when Torre succeeded former Manager Whitey Herzog earlier this season - bench coach Red Schoendienst and bullpen coach Dave Ricketts - will remain on Torre's staff. Torre and Schoendienst will serve as the team's hitting instructors.

In late September, Torre announced four of the team's coaches would not return for the 1991 season. The coaches let go were pitching coach Mike Roarke, hitting coach Steve Braun, first-base coach Jim Riggleman and third-base coach Rich Hacker.

''Regardless of whether you're playing in the major leagues or the rookie league, fundamentals are important,'' Torre said. ''With the number of young players we anticipate having on our team next season, it was important to have a coaching staff that can work with the players.

''I'm confident that this coaching staff will help everyone on the team - youngsters and veterans - improve their performance.''

Dent, 38, who took over from Dallas Green as manager of the Yankees last season but was replaced this season by Stump Merrill, previously managed for five years in New York's minor league system. He played 12 seasons in the majors with the Yankees, Chicago White Sox, Texas Rangers and Kansas City Royals.

During his stint with the Yankees, Dent appeared in four League Championship Series and three World Series.

Dent hit the game-winning home run in the 1978 American League East playoff game, a dramatic three-run shot off Mike Torrez of the Boston Red Sox. He then hit .417 in the 1978 World Series as the Yankees defeated the Los Angeles Dodgers and was named the Most Valuable Player of the series.

Collins, 37, played sparingly for the Cardinals this season, the last of a 16-year career that began in 1975 with the California Angels. He hit .224 in 58 at-bats for the Cardinals, with no home runs and three RBI.

Collins also played for the Seattle Mariners, Cincinnati Reds, Yankees, Toronto Blue Jays, Oakland Athletics and Detroit Tigers.

Coleman has served as bullpen coach for the Angels for the past three seasons. He previously spent four seasons as a roving pitching instructor for California's minor league teams.

Coleman, 43, pitched 15 years in the majors with the Washington Senators, Tigers, Chicago Cubs, Athletics, Blue Jays, San Francisco Giants and Pittsburgh Pirates. He finished his career with a record of 142-135 in 484 games.

The right-hander posted a 20-9 record for the Tigers in 1971, and set a League Championship Series record with 14 strikeouts in a 3-0 victory over the Athletics in 1972.

Pitts, 44, was signed by the Cardinals in 1964 and spent 10 years in the minor leagues before appearing in 28 games with Oakland in 1974-75. He led St. Louis's Class AA affiliate Arkansas to the Texas League championship in 1989, then managed the Louisville Redbirds this season.

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#90282u0901 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

MONROVIA, LIBERIA (OCT. 9) UPI - The strength of the West African peacekeeping force in Liberia will be doubled to 9,000 troops, a representative of the Liberian interim government said Tuesday after heavy artillery battles ended a three-day lull.

''We need to have more troops to hold the ground while others move forward,'' Levi Zangai said, adding the number of troops from five African nations would rise from 4,500 to 9,000. He did not specify a timetable.

The Economic Community of West African States' peacekeeping force was deployed Oct. 24 and its 4,500 troops have struggled to push back Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia, the main rebel movement, for the past 10 days.

Liberia has been ravaged by civil war since December when Taylor launched his

offensive to topple President Samuel Doe, who was killed Sept. 9 by the forces of a rival rebel leader, Prince Johnson. A third faction, led by army Gen. David Nimely has refused to yield the presidential executive mansion and environs.

Before dawn, cannon fire resounded through the city on both the northern and eastern fronts, signaling an end to three days without fighting.

Taylor's forces attacked ECOWAS troops in the eastern Sinkor district of the city. The rebels were believed to have used boats to go by sea behind ECOWAS lines.

At a news conference, Zangai also said Amos Sawyer, the president of the ECOWAS-supported interim government, would relocate from the Sierra Leonean capital of Freetown to Monrovia as soon as security improves.

''It is indispensable now to bring the political authority into the country, as a complement to the military action by ECOWAS, Zangai said at the Hotel Africa in the northwestern outskirts of Monrovia, which will become the provisional seat of government.

The representative of the interim government also stressed the urgent need for food supplies to be brought in from Freetown.

''This is now our top priority,'' Zangai said. ''Rice will decide the battle for the minds and hearts in Monrovia.''

The first shipment of 150 tons of rice sent by the World Food Program arrived in Monrovia Sept. 27 and still has not been distributed.

The amount is insufficient to feed all of the estimated 120,000 people remaining in the capital and has remained in warehouses, local aid workers said.

WFP has blocked the shipment of another 3,200 tons of rice stockpiled in Freetown until it receives a full report on the successful distribution of the first consignment, diplomatic sources in Monrovia said.

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#90282u0905 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - The Supreme Court Tuesday refused to become involved in allegations that a state licensing agency violated the civil rights of Vietnamese physicians by refusing to grant them permits to practice medicine.

The case was brought by four doctors who escaped Vietnam during the 1970s and emigrated to California. Having graduated from the University of Saigon

Medical School - and repeated their medical education in California - they applied to California's Board of Medical Assurance for licenses.

The doctors allege that in 1986, the board ''abruptly suspended all further licensing of Vietnamese doctors as a class.'' Two of the medical students, Le Dao and Tao Nguyen, received letters from the board stating they had met all requirements to be licensed. But the board allegedly met in closed session on Jan. 30, 1986, and decided to halt licensing of all Vietnamese doctors.

The alleged discriminatory policy was not reversed until 1988.

The doctors contend the board members refused to license any Vietnamese immigrants on the fear they were ''communists,'' or were ''trained by communists.''

The board argued there is no evidence that its members ''acted with racial animus when the delays in licensure occurred.''

At issue was on what grounds the states and their agencies can be sued for damages under the Civil Rights Act and whether state officials can be sued individually for actions taken on behalf of the state.

The case made its way to the California Court of Appeals, which ruled this year that the board could not be sued under the provisions stated. It also held that the board's members had ''qualified immunity'' from being sued individually because they had acted in their official capacities.

The high court's refusal to accept the case means the lower court ruling stands.

90-303 Le Bup Thi Dao, et al. vs. Board of Medical Quality Assurance of the State of California, et al.

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#90282u0909 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $1.40-2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 133.625-139.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 42.00-58.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $240.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $457.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $459.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $108.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 298.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 82.00-88.00 c-lb.

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#90282u0923 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (OCT. 9) UPI - An ex-chief of secret police and another former police general have been charged with organizing and directing the 1984 murder of a popular pro-Solidarity priest whose death sent shock waves throughout the overwhelmingly Catholic nation, the Justice Ministry said Tuesday.

The Rev. Jerzy Popieluszko, whose fiery sermons urged the population to demand the revival of the banned Solidarity labor union, was kidnapped and killed on Oct. 19, 1984.

For more than a week until his body was found dumped in a reservior, the entire nation held a mournful vigil. More than half a million were at his funeral, and his grave in Warsaw has become an unofficial national shrine.

Popieluszko's death forced the communist leadership under Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski to put four low-level secret police agents on trial in the northern city of Torun. All were convicted and imprisoned. At the time, the trial of responsibility led no higher despite the conviction of observers that some

high-level official was responsible for the order to kill the priest.

But five years later under a Solidarity-led government, Gen. Wladyslaw Ciaston former deputy interior minister, and Gen. Zenon Jan Platek, another high-ranking ministry official, were interrogated about the Oct. 19, 1984 slaying and then arrested.

''Prosecutors accused the two of inciting their subordinates in September and October 1984 to murder Father Popieluszko, and of directing the crime on Oct. 19, 1984,'' the Polish news agency PAP said Tuesday.

A Justice Ministry spokesman said more arrests may be possible.

''The two generals have been charged so far, but it is possible that the investigation would broaden,'' he said.

Ciaston, 62, was deputy ministy of interior in 1984 and in charge of the secret police, spending most of his career with the Interior Ministry except for a break in the mid-1950s.

He left the ministry in 1988 when he was made ambassador to Albania, but was recalled in January by the Solidarity-led government following strong protests by a group of Solidarity deputies.

Platek was director the infamous Department Four, which among other duties was responsible for surveillance and harassment of the church.

He began his career in Rzeszow in southern Poland, where he was promoted to Warsaw for his work in collecting evidence with the help of the Soviet KGB that compromised a local bishop.

Platek was sacked this year under a purge of the ministry by the new non-communist government.

The Justice Ministry spokesman said the arrests were not related to the arrest Monday of seven high-ranking Interior Ministry officials on corruption charges.

Platek appeared briefly at the trial of the secret agents and was the highest-ranking official to testify. The government newspaper Rzczpospolita described his testimony as ''evasive.''

Deputy Attorney General Aleksander Herzog told Rzeczpospolita that the arrests culminated a long investigation.

Herzog apparently was seeking to allay suspicions that the spectacular development was announced at this time to boost the presidential campaign of Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki against his former colleague, Solidarity leader Lech Walesa. The election is Nov. 25.

''I wouldn't like that all of this, including the arrests, be perceived as an effect of a spectacular action, but as a result of several weeks of difficult work by a group of prosecutors,'' Herzog said.

Rzeczpospolita said preparation for the trial is expected to be difficult because ''in such cases, one does not find evidence in documents.''

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(OCT. 9) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Acclaim Entertainment (4th Q 8-31)	
$43,357,000	$24,973,000
$4,662,000 (.25)	$3,082,000 (.18)
Burlington Resours (3rd Q 9-30)	
$420,364,000	$396,554,000
a-137,541,000 (.27)	$32,957,000 (.23)
a-Income from continuing operations.	
Carter Hawley Hale (4th Q 8-4)	
$623,313,000	$624,635,000
d-$19,490,000	d-$7,300,000
d-Deficit.	
Consolidated Papers (3rd Q 9-30)	
$236,075,000	$228,724,000
$33,854,000 (.77)	$36,519,000 (.84)
F & M Natl (3rd Q 9-30)	
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$2,420,000 (.27)	$2,700,000 (.31)
Gandalf Technologies (4th Q 7-31)	
$44,426,000	$47,480,000
$1,566,000 (.13)	$1,831,000 (.15)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Motorola Inc (3rd Q 9-30)	
$2,703,000,000	$2,408,000,000
$102,000,000 (.78)	$89,000,000 (.69)
Office Depot Inc (3rd Q 9-29)	

$165,315,000 $83,421,000
$2,545,000 (.16) $1,623,000 (.10)

Pinkerton's Inc (3rd Q 9-7)
$135,476,000 $140,607,000
$2,787,000 (.44) $1,727,000 (.35)

Provena Foods (3rd Q 9-30)
$11,250,000 $9,446,000
$219,000 (.09) $70,000 (.03)

Puget Sound Bancorp (3rd Q 9-30)
....
$11,927,000 (.74) d-$4,555,000
d-Deficit.

Student Loan Mrktg (3rd Q 9-30)
....
$77,892,000 (.77) $65,884,000 (.65)

Summcorp (3rd Q 9-30)
....
$5,725,000 (.64) a-$3,876,000 (.43)
a-After an after-tax charge of $3,000,000 due
to an increase in the company's expense provision for loan losses.

Suntrust Banks (3rd Q 9-30)
....
$88,200,000 (.69) $82,800,000 (.64)

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - The Supreme Court Tuesday let stand a ruling that upheld the intent of a man's will that established an educational trust at a Virginia school contingent on the school's continued segregation.

The high court refused to review a ruling by the Virginia Supreme Court, which held that Prince Edward School Foundation and other educational beneficiaries are no longer entitled to the will of a Lynchburg, Va., man, who died in 1968 and left an estate now worth more than $1 million.

Virginia's highest court held that the fifth named beneficiary, Hermitage Methodist Homes of Virginia Inc., is entitled to the trust.

In 1968, when Jack Adams died, he named four successive private schools as beneficiaries, but stipulated in his will that each would relinquish its rights to the money upon the admission of any non-white students. Hermitage

Methodist Homes - a nursing home - was the fifth beneficiary, but Adams did not include any racial restrictions on its qualifying for the trust.

Prince Edward School Foundation in Prince Edward County, Va., was the first named beneficiary and received proceeds from 1968 until 1986, when black students were admitted to the school.

In 1987, the trustee of Adams' will asked a circuit court for guidance. The court ruled that all racially discriminatory conditions of the trust were unconstitutional and void, and ordered that Prince Edward School Foundation continue to receive the proceeds of the trust.

On appeal, the state's highest court agreed that the racially discriminatory provisions of the trust were illegal and void, but ruled that all of the schools were ineligible for the trust funds and only Hermitage Methodist Homes remained a beneficiary ''because the offending language cannot be stricken from the provision without changing the essential nature and quality of the estate.''

In asking the Supreme Court to review the case, Prince Edward School Foundation argued that at the time Adams wrote his will, Virginia common law required an educational trust to discriminate on the basis of race to be valid.

89-1901 Prince Edward School Foundation vs. Hermitage Methodist Homes of Va. Inc.

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BANGKOK, THAILAND (OCT. 9) UPI - The Vietnamese-backed government of Cambodia warned Tuesday that resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk has become a ''personal obstacle'' to peace, and urged he be dropped to save a U.N. peace plan from collapse.

At the same time witnesses and radio reports said fighting was escalating in western Cambodia, with communist Khmer Rouge guerrillas ready to use Chinese-supplied tanks for the first time.

Fighting has continued intermittently in Cambodia since a Khmer Rouge regime blamed for the deaths of more than 1 million Cambodians was ousted by a Vietnamese invasion in December 1978.

''We think that if the other Cambodian groups really want to resolve the Cambodian problem through peaceful means, then they should get rid of this personal obstacle,'' said a commentary carried by official Phnom Penh radio.

Sihanouk, the former king of Cambodia and leader of the resistance, has long been supported by the United States and other nations as the only individual

who can lead Cambodia back to peace.

The radio said the three-part resistance should reverse its rejection of government proposals for a rotating chairmanship of the joint Supreme National Council, which is meant to serve as the representative of Cambodian sovereignty under a peace plan worked out by the U.N. Security Council.

It said if Sihanouk insisted on being sole chairman, then government leader Hun Sen should be vice chairman. Otherwise, the radio said, the council would disappear and the U.N. peace plan ''will become meaningless.''

Sihanouk, changing his mind at the last moment, refused to attend last month's conference in Jakarta, Indonesia that accepted the U.N. plan and set up the council. Later he agreed to join the council as chairman.

''Prince Sihanouk has never given any thought to the fate of the Cambodian people,'' the commentary charged.

The broadside indicated the Hun Sen government was ready to back away from its earlier acceptance of the U.N. plan, which proposes Sihanouk as interim leader.

Westerners who recently returned from western Cambodia said the deadlock in the peace process has apparently brought an escalation in the fighting.

''We could hear heavy artillery fire every night,'' said one traveler, who spent several nights in Sisophon, a key town about 200 miles northwest of Phnom Penh.

He said government troops in the area appeared to be better armed and more numerous than previously.

The road to Sisophon was still open, despite monsoon rains and guerrilla attacks, but was ''very rough and insecure in some places,'' he said.

Resistance radio said the Khmer Rouge, the most powerful of the three guerrilla groups were building up for a major attack in the west.

''The Khmer Rouge forces, equipped with tanks, are preparing an attack to retake Siem Reap Province's central area, which is Cambodia's most important cultural and historic region,'' said a broadcast by the Voice of the Khmer radio station.

It did not say where the Khmer Rouge obtained their tanks, but other reports have said they were provided by China - the main arms supplier for the resistance.

Siem Reap, about 150 miles northwest of Phnom Penh, includes the famous 12th century temple at Angkor Wat.

Phnom Penh radio said government forces launched eight counterattacks against resistance forces in the last week of September, killing 39 guerrillas and capturing 64 others.

Military analysts in Bangkok said the fighting was still hampered by heavy monsoon rains, but that both sides appeared to be building for larger scale operations in November or December, when the rains end.

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#90282u0933 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - The State Department issued new warnings to American travelers in the Middle East Tuesday following the clashes in East Jerusalem, which left 21 Palestinian Arabs dead and scores of Jews and Arabs injured.

In the new travel advisory, the State Department advises ''all U.S. citizens to avoid travel to the West Bank, Gaza and East Jerusalem until further notice.''

The department also issued a wider advisory warning Americans travelling to the Middle East, South Asia and North Africa that increased tensions ''may lead to demonstrations or other actions that may be directed against the United States.''

The advisory noted that the Israeli government has begun issuing gas masks to all residents of Israel starting Oct. 14. The advisory said, ''Americans should take this situation into account in planning to visit Israel.''

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#90282u0940 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 9) UPI - It's business as usual for the federal government, or at least until one week from this coming Friday. That's when the emergency spending bill signed this morning by President Bush ends and the government is again left without any money. Congress has been given the time between now and then to work out a new budget compromise that can stand the test of passage by both the House and Senate. It must also be strong enough to gain a presidential signature.

Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is telling Israel to get out of occupied Arab territories or face what he calls ''quick revenge'' for yesterday's slayings of Palestinians in Jerusalem. Israeli security forces opened fire on demonstrators, killing at least 20 Palestinians. Hussein's stern warning was read by an announcer live on Iraqi television and radio.

The shuttle Discovery crew will spend this day in space preparing to return

home tomorrow. They have completed all of the scientific experiments assigned them, including the successful launch of the European-built Ulysses probe on its long voyage to the sun. Discovery is to touch down tomorrow morning at California's Edwards Air Force Base.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - The Supreme Court Tuesday refused to become involved in a dispute over what standards the companies formed in the 1982 breakup of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. must meet before being allowed to enter the telephone information services market.

At stake is when the seven ''Baby Bell'' companies formed in the divestiture would be allowed to offer information services such as Lexis that are accessed by telephone lines.

Competitors in the multibillion-dollar industry claim the companies formed in the breakup of the Bell system must meet the original restrictions imposed in the 1982 consent decree that terminated the United States' antitrust case against AT&T, one of the largest in history. The decree placed line-of-business restrictions on the individual Bell companies, generally restricting them to providing local telephone service.

To ensure against use of what was once monopoly control of the telephone lines to obtain unfair advantages in other ventures, the agreement forbade the ''Baby Bells'' from, among other things, providing long-distance telephone service, manufacturing telecommunications equipment, or offering information services through telephone lines.

In 1987, the Justice Department recommended to the courts that in light of competitive conditions, line-of-business restrictions on the Bell companies be lifted except for where they involve long-distance service.

A district court ruled that the restrictions should remain because the Bell companies had failed to show that there was ''no substantial possibility that they could not, and indeed would not, use their monopoly power to impede competition in the information services market.''

But the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit ruled that the district court decision was too restrictive. It ordered the lower court to look at the provisions again and determine whether removal of the information services restriction would be anti- competitive under ''present'' market conditions.

The high court was asked to step into the case by major players in the telephone-based information services field, headed by MCI Communications Corp.

In its brief before the court, MCI claims many companies entered the information services field on the belief that the Bell operating companies would be precluded from endangering an ''open, competitive market.''

The Justice Department asked the court to refuse to hear the case and allow it to be resolved by the lower court.

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#90282u0959 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 9) UPI - U-S District Judge Robert Takasugi today could put an end to the six- year-old case involving the only F-B-I agent ever charged with espionage. 53-year-old Richard Miller is charged with passing secrets to a Soviet women with whom he had an adulterous relationship. Takasugi is deciding Miller's guilt or innocence in a bench trial... Miller's third go-round on the spying charges.

Prosecutors in the 2 Live Crew obscenity trial are appealing to a higher court the decision of Broward County Judge June Johnson to stay on the case. The prosecutors said Johnson should remove herself from the trial because defense attorney Bruce Rogow was a professor of hers in law school. Jury selection in the obscenity case continues today.

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#90282u1021 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - ''Twin Peaks'' freaks who miss an episode of the ABC series now can dial the ''Twin Peaks Sheriff's Office Hotline'' for an update and the latest scoop - at a price, it was announced Tuesday.

Receptionist Lucy Moran, Deputy Andy and Dr. Haywood will provide information about the prvious week's episode during each call and an unidentified mystery voice will disclose new information and clues on events likely to arise.

The telephone recording will be changed weekly with new information on line Sunday mornings at 6 a.m.

Being a ''Peaks'' groupie doesn't come cheap - calls are $2 for the first minute and $1 for each additional minute. Lynch-Frost productions will donate a portion of the profits to environmental organizations, according to Phone Programs, the organization that created the telephone hotline for the producers.

The ''Twin Peaks Sheriff's Office Hotline'' can be reached by dialing 1-900-860-0911.

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#90282u1023 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 9) UPI - Grain futures were mixed but mostly lower at midmorning Tuesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

The market was pressured by profit-taking in the wake of Monday's run-up in prices, especially in soybeans and soybean meal. But there was continued support from a break in the harvest because of rainy weather across much of the Midwest.

Some farmers might be kept out of their fields until the weekend because of the rain.

Corn and soybean production estimates from private analyst Conrad Leslie were slightly higher than he predicted one month ago, which tended to encourage a little selling.

Wheat was mostly lower at midmorning in light, choppy trading.

Tunisia bought 125,000 tons of wheat and Mexico was in the market for 50,000 tons of corn, otherwise the export markets were quiet.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.33 off 1; Mar 2.42 off 3/4; May 2.48 off 1/2.

Soybeans Nov 6.32 1/2 off 1 1/2; Jan 6.46 3/4 off 3/4; Mar 6.59 off 3/4; May 6.69 up 1/2.

Wheat Dec 2.77 3/4 off 1 1/2; Mar 2.91 3/4 off 1/2; May 2.98 3/4 off 1/4.

Oats Dec 1.22 1/2 off 1; Mar 1.32 1/2 off 1; May 1.39 1/4 off 3/4.

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#90282u1028 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, Kenya (OCT. 9) UPI - Kenya, angered over the disqualification of two of its relay teams, Tuesday threatened to withdraw from next year's All Africa Games in Cairo unless Egypt changes its attitude toward Kenyan athletes.

David Okeyo, secretary of the Kenya Amateur Athletic Association, issued the warning after hearing reports from Kenyan athletes that they were unfairly treated during the recent African Championships in Cairo.

The Kenyans complained, among other things, that their disqualification from the 4 x 400 and 4 x 100 relay events was unjustified. The relay teams were prevented from running because they did not have standardized uniforms, as the race's rules dictated.

Three members of the 4 x 400 relay team - Simon Kipkemboi and the Kitur brothers, Samson and David - won a gold medal in the event at the Commonwealth Games in New Zealand earlier this year.

Okeyo told United Press International the KAAA would lodge a formal protest with the African Amateur Athletic Conferedation in Senegal. Had Kenya won the two relays it would have taken first place in the competition, ahead of its arch-rival, Nigeria.

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COLUMBUS, Miss. (OCT. 9) UPI - Weyerhaeuser Co. has dedicated its $500 million tate-of-the-art pulp and paper plant, the largest single capital commitment in the company's 90-year history.

Company executives and state and local officials flocked to Columbus Monday to officially dedicate the new plant, which actually began production in May.

George Weyerhaeuser, chairman and chief executive officer, said the plant, an addition to existing facilities, is capable of producing about 425,000 tons of pulp per year. It is expected to take three years to reach full capacity.

The plant employs 262, boosting total company employment to 700 at Weyerhaeuser Columbus Pulp & Paper Complex. The plant created another 400 indirect jobs in a four-county area for haulers and loggers.

Weyerhaeuser said the annual payroll of the entire complex is $25 million.

He said Weyerhaeuser's local purchases of raw materials, equipment, goods and services increased from $15 million to $20 million per year with completion of the plant.

With the start-up of the new plant, Weyerhaeuser has capacity to produce more than 1.5 million tons of paper pulp per year, serving 600 customers in 60 countries, said Jack Creighton, company president.

The plant can produce 1,200 tons per day of bleached kraft pulp for domestic and export customers, said Scott Jenkins vice president. Bleached kraft pulp is a raw materal for manufacturing paper, paperboard and a variety of other industrial and consumer products.

The project employed 2,650 construction workers at its peak and took 23 months to complete.

Officials said the complex and related facilities require 110 million watts of electricity - more than three times the needs of the city of Columbus with its 30,000 population. The complex has its own on-site generating plant, which can

produce up to 130 million watts. It uses wood waste materials as its primary fuel.

In addition to the Columbus complex, Weyerhaeuser, based in Tacoma, Wash., operates lumber and plywood manufacturing complexes at Bruce and Philadelphia, Miss., and Millport, Ala.; a wood chip facility at Amory, Miss., and a packaging plant near Jackson, Miss.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Phillips Petroleum	Q	.28	11-30	11-2
Usual				
Miller (Herman) Inc	Q	.13	1-15	11-30
PS Group Inc	Q	.15	11-14	10-22
Webster Fincl Corp	Q	.13	11-15	10-26

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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(OCT. 9) UPI - Israel has put its security forces on alert following the deaths of at least 21 Palestinians in Jerusalem yesterday. They were killed when Israeli troops switched from rubber bullets to live ammunition as they tried to quell rock-throwing Moslem demonstrations on the Temple Mount in the Old City. .

The slayings prompted Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein to warn of ''quick action'' to avenge the deaths unless Israel gets out of occupied Arab lands. Arab diplomats in Cairo have told United Press International that Saddam's warnings are just a ploy to turn world attention away from his occupation of Kuwait.

The Supreme Court is staying out of the student loan dispute. Education loan officials from five states had asked the justices to decide whether a provision requiring loan agencies to return Millions in excess cash reserves to the government is constitutional. The court refused to take the case. .

The high court DID agree to decide whether police can randomly search luggage for drugs on interstate trains and buses, if passengers are advised of the searches and give their consent.

People in more than 120 countries were able to commemorate what would have been John Lennon's 50th birthday by tuning in a world-wide simulcast from the United Nations. Lennon's widow, Yoko Ono, says she wanted to focus on Lennon's life and away from the 10th anniversary of his death on December 8th.

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#90282u1120 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 9) UPI - The latest polls show the winner of next month's Senate race in North Carolina is anyone's guess. The poll shows Democratic challenger Harvey Gantt has 43-point- five percent of the vote while three-term incumbent Republican Jesse Helms has 42-point-seven.

Published reports indicate that the government of Brazil has ended a secret military program that could have given the South American nation its first nuclear bomb. The project apparently was started in 1975 when a military junta ruled Brazil.

Police in St. Paul, Minnesota, arrested a 41-year-old man on drug- trafficking charges last Friday after he was turned in by his 12-year- old son. Officers obtained a search warrant based in information provided by the boy and found about three ounces of cocaine and one pound of marijuana in the house. The boy was placed in a county shelter for his own protection.

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#90282u1122 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Business executives' confidence in the U.S. economy sank in the third quarter to its lowest level since 1980, a private business research organization said Wednesday.

The Conference Board said its measure of business confidence fell to 40 for the quarter, as opposed to 46 in the first quarter and 48 in the second. A reading below 50 indicates that pessimists outnumber optimists.

The decline in the confidence rating more than erased the modest improvement experienced in the first half of the year, the board said.

The survey, covering about 1,000 chief executive officers and other top executives in 25 sectors of the economy, also found that nearly 70 percent of the respondents thought economic conditions have worsened over the past six months. Barely 6 percent said conditions have improved.

The survey also found that almost half of the business leaders anticipate further weakening in the economy during the next six months. Only 15 percent expect the economy to improve.

''Executives responding to the survey prior to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait

were as pessimistic as those reponding after,'' noted Jason Bram, associate economist for the Conference Board's consumer research center.

''This suggests that the Middle East crisis has had little effect on business leaders' spirits. Either way, it's clear that business leaders' confidence has dipped.''

Although respondents in all sectors reported weakness, banking and financial executives were the most negative about current conditions and expectations for the next six months.

Executives in the utilities and insurance industries were the most positive in their outlook for the next six months, the Conference Board said.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - mixed.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 67-70.

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#90282u1151 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - The Federal Trade Commission said Tuesday it has authorized its staff to seek a preliminary injunction to block a proposed joint venture between two large telescope makers.

The FTC said it believes the proposed joint venture - between Meade Instruments Corp., of Costa Mesa, Calif., and Celestron International, of Torrance, Calif. - ''would create a virtual monopoly'' in the manufacture and sale of mid-sized Schmidt-Cassegrain telescopes.

The telescopes cost about $1,000 and are used by amateur astronomers for observation of nearby planets and ''deep-sky objects,'' the FTC said.

Meade and Celestron are two of the largest makers of Schmidt- Cassegrain telescopes.

The parent companies of both telescope makers have announced plans to combine the two into a new joint venture Celestron meade International.

The FCT said its application to a federal district court will seek to block the joint venture pending administrative hearings into the legality of the deal.

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#90282u1152 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

WINDHOEK, NAMIBIA (OCT. 9) UPI - At least 10 trucks carrying tons of emergency food supplies entered drought-stricken southern Angola Tuesday in an unprecedented international relief operation providing aid to civilians on both sides of a bitter civil war.

''So far so good,'' said Nicholas Rougement, director of the International Committee of the Red Cross in Windhoek, Namibia. ''It's the first time in the history of the 15-year civil war that we're allowed to do this sort of thing.''

Seventeen vehicles of the state-run transport firm TransNamib - all carrying the cross of the International Committee of the Red Cross - began their journey Monday after adding 150 tons of corn meal at the northern town of Otavia to a 50-ton load of beans.

Ten of the trucks crossed the Namibia-Angola border Tuesday afternoon en route to the Angolan government-controlled towns of Ondjiva and Xangongo and the Wela provincial capital of Lubango.

The other seven trucks were to enter territory held by the U.S.- backed guerrillas of Jonas Savimbi Wednesday from the Namibian Caprivi strip after leaving the northern town of Grootfontein Tuesday morning.

Once inside Angola, the cargo was to be shifted into all-terrain trucks for the rugged journey deep into territory held by rebels of the Union for the Total Independence of Angola, which is battling the Marxist government of President Jose Eduardo dos Santos.

None of the trucks had any military escort.

A third convoy of Red Cross vehicles, also without military escort, Monday left Angola's port of Lobito and arrived in Huambo, the capital of Huambo province, Tuesday afternoon, Rougement said. No incidents were reported.

Also Monday, the first Red Cross airlift to cross a front line in Angola was completed from Huambo to Likwa, a bush-airstrip in UNITA-held territory, Rougement said.

The large-scale operation is the first of its kind in 15 years of civil war in Angola in which the warring factions both approved the plan.

The aid comes at a time of serious drought that has affected an estimated 1.5

million of the southwest African nation's 9 million people. Relief sources estimate hundreds of thousands of people at risk of starvation.

In addition to the food aid, Red Cross officials hope to have distributed by mid-October some 300 tons of seed and 30,000 hoes to civilians in southern Cuando-Cubango province, also under UNITA control.

The decision to allow relief supplies to enter Angola and areas under UNITA control came after Dos Santos accepted an offer by Namibian President Sam Nujoma to use Namibian territory as a ''Corridor of Peace.''

Angola had previously objected to food aid to areas under UNITA control, fearing it also would contain contraband, but the government is now evidently satisfied the aid is strictly humanitarian.

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#90282u1170 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 9) UPI - The Conservative Party opened its annual conference Tuesday, still trailing in opinion polls but more optimistic about prospects for winning a fourth term as mortgage rates fell.

After a year of bad then worse news - including double-digit inflation, poll tax riots and the highest interest rate among leading industrial countries - Conservatives had expected little reason for cheer when they gathered at the seaside town of Bournemouth, 100 miles south of London.

But when Britain knocked a point off its interest rate and joined a European system regulating exchange rates Monday, the pound and London Stock Exchange soared, and so did the Conservatives' political fortunes.

The conference was tightly guarded by 1,500 police in an operation costing $4 million that is intended to prevent a terrorist attack. The outlawed Irish Republican Army bombed the Conservative's meeting Brighton in 1984, killing five people.

The Bournemouth conference center and the hotel where Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher is staying have been ringed by a seven-foot steel fence.

In opening speeches, party leaders attacked what was described as the opposition Labor Party's opportunistic reversal of its socialist leanings. Labor has in recent years tried to shed its ''loony left'' label, abandoning policies requiring increased government ownership and unilateral disarmament.

''Like a reluctant weight-watcher compulsively reaching for the cream cakes, Labor still finds state control irresistible,'' said Trade Minister Peter Lilley.

''Tax and spend, spend and tax,'' said party Chairman Kenneth Baker. ''The Labor Party habits of yesterday would be the Labor policy of tomorrow.''

With Britain beset by economic problems, including inflation topping 10 percent for the first time since the Conservatives came to power and anger over a regressive tax imposed in England last spring, Labor had begun to be seen as a viable alternative.

Ladbrokes, a betting agency, tipped Labor as the favorite for the next election on Saturday for the first time since 1982.

Labor once held a 26-point lead over the Conservatives in polls but the margin was cut to 14 points in the latest Gallup survey, partly because of backing for Thatcher's handling of the Persian Gulf crisis.

The timing of Britain's entry into the Exchange Rate Mechanism, which economists expect to produce a six- to 12-month honeymoon before the side effects such as higher unemployment and lower wages hikes are felt, has fueled speculation Thatcher will call an early election.

While Thatcher is not obliged to announced an election until July 1992, the reduction in mortgages and possibly inflation over the next few months may persuade her to call for a ballot sooner.

Labor leader Neil Kinnock predicted the Conservatives would ''cut and run in '91.''

Arriving at the conference, Thatcher dismissed the talk of an early election without ruling out the possibility.

''Everyone's talking about dates except me,'' she said. ''I'm not even thinking about it yet. There's far too much else to do.''

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#90282u1173 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 9) UPI - A tearful Yoko Ono urged fans of her slain husband, John Lennon, to keep the power of dreams and love alive as millions of people around the world tuned in to hear the song ''Imagine'' on the former Beatle's 50th birthday.

''His spirit still lives in all of us whose lives have been touched by him,'' Ono said at the solemn ceremony in the U.N. Trusteeship Council chambers.

''I would like us to remember as we celebrate his birthday as a day of love, because he's a man of love and because love is much needed in this time of our lives,'' she told an audience of 200 guests and friends of Lennon's family.

The haunting words of Lennon's ''Imagine'' then were sent around the world as part of a radio broadcast. Organizers of the event said a potential 1 billion people from North America to the Soviet Union and American GIs in the Persian Gulf listened to broadcasts of the celebration at the U.N. headquarters in New York.

In a strong reminder of her husband's words in the song, Ono said, ''In celebration of John's life, let's use the power of dreams. Let's dream of trees growing in abundance, birds flying in clean air, fish swimming in clear water and our children living in joy.

''Let's dream of men and women feeling good together and people embracing each other regardless of their creed and religion.

Ono, whose voice trailed into a soft sob when she said, ''Happy Birthday, John '' said, ''For a dream we dream alone, it's only a dream. But a dream we dream together, it's reality.

''Life continues to be difficult for most of us,'' Ono said in a strong remembrance of her departed husband.

Ono said in a short news conference later that today's youth know how to react to the peace message left by her husband.

''It seems that they have their own way to be in touch with John,'' she said.

In Milwaukee, radio station WQFM asked listeners and musicians to sing the song outside its downtown office and those who took up the invitation rendered a somewhat off-key version of ''Imagine.''

In Hollywood, a ''classic rock'' station broadcast live from Lennon's star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

Tuesday night, the Alliance for Survival, an anti-war, anti-nuclear group that has marked Lennon's birthday every year since his death, was holding a ''Beatleblast'' party at a Hollywood nightclub featuring a Beatles' sound-alike band and pro-environmental speeches.

Elliott Mintz, a spokesman for Ono, said of Ono on the eve of the birthday celebration at the United Nations, ''I've never seen her as excited about anything as she is about this.''

''She wanted to draw attention away from Dec. 8, the tenth anniversary of John's death, and focus instead on what would have been his 50th birthday,'' he added.

Lennon was shot in the back by Mark David Chapman, a disaffected fan, on Dec. 8, 1980, as he entered the lobby of The Dakota, the Upper West Side apartment

building where he lived with Ono.

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#90282u1188 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (OCT. 9) UPI - The Soviet Parliament Tuesday ratified a 1974 treaty limiting the size of underground nuclear weapons tests and a separate 1976 pact on nuclear explosions for peaceful purposes.

Agreements reached at the June Washington summit upgrading verification procedures under the ''threshold'' treaties cleared the way for the ratification.

The 1974 treaty limits underground nuclear tests to 150 kilotons, with each kiloton equal to the explosive force of 1,000 tons of TNT. The 1976 treaty limits the size of nuclear explosions used for peaceful purposes such as building dams.

The official Tass news agency said the Supreme Soviet, the country's Parliament, ratified the two treaties and related protocols Tuesday ''after a stormy debate'' in a joint session of Parliament.

The U.S. Senate ratified the treaties last month.

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#90282u1193 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
COLUMBUS, Ohio (OCT. 9) UPI - Figures compiled by the Office of Thrift Supervision show Ohio's savings and loan industry had the largest thrift profit in the nation during the second quarter.

Ohio S&Ls collectively earned $71.2 million in the second quarter, up from $27.3 million in the first quarter. The OTS figures were obtained by The Columbus Dispatch from Sheshunoff Information Services of Austin, Texas.

The Ohio Savings and Loan League said Ohio's thrifts made an aggregate net profit of $50.9 million in the second quarter, compared with $44.3 million one year ago.

The aggregate net profit takes into account extraordinary adjustments to income, such as additions to loan loss resereves.

Kenneth Elshoff, president of the Ohio Savings and Loan League, attributed the results to the industry's conservative nature and its reluctance to stray.

''I think we have had a continual pattern of lending ... in the state,'' Elshoff said Monday. ''Savings and loans in many states make loans outside their areas, he said, and sometimes neglect their local business. When loan

volume slows, they are left without a market.

''We've had a continual relationship with the market, and that's continued to pay off.''

Ohio's S&Ls earned the highest profit in terms of dollars, but the return on average assets was 0.29 percent, low by bank industry standards. Hawaii's savings and loans generated the highest returns - 0.91 percent - but made less than half as much money - $32.9 million.

That's because of the difference in size of assets. Ohio's institutions controlled $49 billion in assets, while Hawaii's industry had $7.2 billion in assets June 30.

Return on average assets is a widely used method to compare performance. That means Ohio's S&Ls, on average, earned about three- tenths of a penny for every dollar in assets they managed, vs. nearly a full penny for Hawaii - but the Ohio thrifts managed seven times as much in assets, and so made more money.

The S&L industry nationwide lost $6.4 billion in the second quarter.

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#90282u1201 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (OCT. 9) UPI - A visit to NATO headquarters by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev will take place ''sometime next year'' and not this autumn as earlier hoped, the alliance said Tuesday.

Gorbachev's tight schedule and pressing business in the Soviet Union were given as the reasons for the delay.

An invitation to Gorbachev ''to come to Brussels'' and address a NATO meeting was issued by NATO leaders at their historic London summit in July.

Officials hoped the Soviet president could visit this fall, perhaps during a meeting of NATO foreign ministers tentatively scheduled for Dec. 17-18.

NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner said on Tuesday, however, ''that it could not be done this year but instead sometime next year'' at an unspecified date, a spokesman said.

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AN AIRBASE IN SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 9) UPI - ''Gooood Mooorning Saudi Arabia.''

With that greeting, Navy Chief Petty Officer Richard Yanku opened the Armed Forces Radio and Television Service live broadcasts to the estimated 175,000

U.S. Forces in Saudi Arabia for Operation Desert Shield.

His intro was a knock off of the movie ''Good Morning Vietnam'' with comedian Robin Williams that told the story of AFRTS disc jockey Adrien Cronauer's struggle to get political humor about the unpopular Vietnam War past military brass, and the intro was an absolute natural here.

''I think everyone was expecting it. It would have been a let-down if I hadn't done it,'' said Yanku, a veteran of 17 years with the Navy and now stationed at Virginia Beach, Va.

''I haven't spoken to Robin Williams but I'm sure if I had he'd say 'Sure, why not, go for it,''' said Yanku, who immediately started getting requests when he announced the request line telephone number.

The first call was a congratulatory one from the broadcasting service run by Aramco, the U.S.-Saudi oil operation.

The second came from a physician who identified himself only as Dr. Barubee, who wanted to hear something by Neil Diamond, said he'd been in Vietnam and added, '''We're just waiting for this. Thanks a lot.''

Since Sept. 13, the soldiers have been able to get in some areas the direct feed from AFRS headquarters, without any local live entertainment.

Baghdad Betty and Bob have had nothing on Armed Forces Radio.

Iraq's official Radio Baghdad, which bills itself as ''The voice of peace,'' is heard in Saudi Arabia on shortwave that fades in and out, making the audi quality marginal.

''Betty'' and Bob'' take turns reading the lines in between every three or four songs - most of them rock and roll tunes or numbing elevator music from 15 to 20 years ago - and declaring: ''This is the ''ng: ''This is the

In contrast, after his opening selection of ''Rock the Casbah'' by The Clash, Yanku moved through a series of popular rock and country tunes, including Pat Benetar's ''Hit me with your best shot'' at the request of a British journalist among reporters taken to the air base to witness the first show.

Yanku and three other broadcasaters will work out of a trailer just seven feet high and wide and a dozen feet long, with an air conditioner jutting out the side to keep the sensitive electronics cool.

They are, for the moment, hooked to a 1,500-watt transmitter that will cover a major concentration of troops in Saudi Arabia and soon hope to have four such transmitters operating to cover the bulk of the troops.

That gear will take the regular AFRTS feed from California - a mix of all broadcast news services, music and sports - but the remote sites will not be picking up Yanku's show or that of the three others who will work shifts to span 13 hours a day, to be followed by whatever baseball or football games are available for broadcast.

In addition to spinning records for the troops, the broadcast also provide a way to quickly disseminate non-sensitive information higher commands want the troops to know.

The broadcasters have been given a list of topics the Saudis consider sensitive and wish to be kept off the air. Neither the disc jockeys nor AFRTS officials would discuss what those topics were.

Yanku said his station would join others around the world marking the 10th anniversary of Beatle John Lennon's murder by playing his tune ''Imagine.''

By way of encouraging the U.S. forces to learn about the desert kingdom to which they've been sent, Yanku suggested, ''Saudi Arabia is a land of mystery. You ought to study it. Take a little time and learn about it. You'll make your stay here a little more enjoyable.''

With that, it was back to the rack of compact discs to pick out more music and remind the troops, ''This is Desert Shield, FM 107.''

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BY NORMAN D. SANDLER - UPI

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - In a rare bit of public introspection, President Bush acknowledged Tuesday what many have long believed: that he prefers the challenge of foreign policy to the dirty work of domestic issues like the budget.

''That's about right,'' Bush said at a news conference when told he does not seem to ''have as much fun'' dealing with domestic concerns like the deficit debacle as in tackling diplomatic problems like the Persian Gulf crisis.

Bush tried to explain that away as a manifestation of the post-war adage that partisanship ''stops at the water's edge'' and that the American people tend to trust their leaders more to face threats from abroad than problems at home.

In foreign affairs, patriotic instincts overcome political divisions, he suggested, while in domestic policy, he is forced to contend with a Congress controllled with Democrats ''to do what I think is best and it's complicated.''

From the earliest days of his 10-year quest for the presidency, however, Bush styled himself as an internationalist, his resume emphasizing stints as ambassador to the United Nations, envoy to China and director of the CIA.

Close advisers have noted on repeated occasions how comfortable and engaged Bush seems in foreign policy discussions and how, in meetings on domestic affairs, which have been relegated to secondary status in his administration, his interest and patience can wane.

That has been borne out by polls giving him far stronger marks for leadership on such issues as the gulf crisis and East-West relations than in exhorting the nation to action in such areas as education, the environment and the deficit.

On the campaign trail, recitations of his domestic agenda lack the relative degree of passion often reserved for his efforts to rally world opinion against Saddam Hussein and his crowd-pleasing declarations that the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait ''will not stand.''

''I don't want to stretch out on the couch too far in terms of analysis,'' he said Tuesday, ''but you know, when you get a problem with the complexities that the Middle East has now and the gulf has now, I enjoy trying to put the coalition together and keep it together and work towards what I think is a proper end: seeing this aggression doesn't succeed.

''I can't say I just rejoice every time I go up and talk to Danny Rostenkowski my dear friend, about what he's going to do on taxes.''

Rostenkowski, an Illinois Democrat and sometime Bush golfing partner, is chairman of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee, which will have an influential role in deciding how to raise some $135 billion over the next five years to cut the deficit.

A pair of polls Tuesday indicated the crest of popularity Bush has ridden, thanks in large part to his handling of the gulf crisis, may be imperiled by finger-pointing over the budget mess.

A new Washington Post-ABC News poll had his overall approval rating at 65 percent, down 10 points from about a month ago. A CBS News poll had it at 62 percent, down from 76 percent in mid-August.

Bush, however, seemed unfazed by the fallout from the deficit deal gone bad.

''We're not doing too bad,'' he said. ''I think there's pretty strong support, but I guess I learned that I can't do it exactly my way when we get down on something like the deficit. I do think internationally the support is very, very strong.''

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#90282u1204 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (OCT. 9) UPI - The Discovery astronauts packed up Tuesday for a fiery glide to a California landing Wednesday, closing out a near-perfect mission highlighted by the successful launch of the Ulysses solar probe.

''As far as the flight control team is concerned, this flight is probably as close to perfect as we can get,'' said flight director Ron Dittemore. ''We have had no significant anomalies. The crew is in good spirits ... and they're right on schedule.''

Commander Richard ''Dick'' Richards, 44, and co-pilot Robert Cabana, 41, fired up Discovery's hydraulic steering system Tuesday before testing the shuttle's small maneuvering jets to make sure the 100-ton space freighter was ready for the long glide back to Earth.

If all goes well, Richards, Cabana, flight engineer William Shepherd, 41, Bruce Melnick, 40, and Thomas Akers, 39, will glide to a dawn touchdown at 6:57 a.m. PDT Wednesday at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., to close out the 36th shuttle mission, NASA's first in nearly six months.

Unlike recent flights that have ended on dry Mojave Desert lakebed landing strips at Edwards, Richards and Cabana planned to land on a concrete runway to test Discovery's new carbon brakes, a post-Challenger safety improvement. The forecast called for ideal weather at landing time.

The astronauts spent the day Tuesday stowing Discovery's 50-foot robot arm, wrapping up a series of minor experiments and stowing loose gear for re-entry and landing.

Despite a disappointing summer of crippling fuel leaks and repeated delays, Discovery's mission has been virtually flawless, giving NASA's sagging morale a major boost after months of criticism about the flawed Hubble Space Telescope and trouble with the shuttle program.

Many problems remain for the beleagured space agency, including questions about quality control in the wake of a recent accident with the shuttle Atlantis, and work to fix the fuel leaks that have indefinitely grounded the shuttle Columbia.

But Discovery's picture-perfect blastoff Saturday and the flawless launch of the Ulysses probe six hours later were welcome successes for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the European Space Agency, which built the nuclear-powered solar probe.

NASA officials, sensitive to media attention to minor problems with on-board

experiments, said the flight should be viewed as a total success.

''We shouldn't forget the primary purpose of the mission was to get Ulysses deployed,'' Dittemore said at a news conference. ''And we did a good job at that, the crew did a super job, got it off on time, and we understand Ulysses is healthy and is well on its way to the sun by way of Jupiter.''

While critical of light media coverage of the mission, NASA officials decided not to schedule an expected news conference with the astronauts, who said very little during the flight other than to report on the status of various experiments.

Ulysses was built to study the sun from an orbit around its poles to give astronomers their first three-dimensional look at Earth's life- giving star and its effect on the solar system.

To get into such an orbit, Ulysses was fired away from the sun to Jupiter for a 1992 flyby that will utilize the giant planet's gravity for a slingshot-like boost down, out of the plane of the solar system and back toward the sun.

Three days after launch from Discovery, Ulysses was nearly 2 million miles from Earth and steadily speeding away into the deep night of space, on course for Jupiter and a 1994 pass over the south pole of the sun.

With Ulysses safely on its way, Discovery's taciturn crew devoted the remainder of the mission to a series of secondary experiments.

A panel of solar cells was exposed to the eroding effects of atomic oxygen to find out how a stranded communcications satellite will hold up until a shuttle rescue mission can be mounted in 1992.

In addition, the astronauts carried out a varity of medical and engineering studies, including tests of a personal computer ''trackball'' to find out how such data input devices work in the absence of gravity.

The crew also monitored the health of 16 rats on board as part of a medical experiment and the growth of plant root cells in research to learn more about the effects of weightlessness.

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BEIJING (OCT. 9) UPI - President Yang Shangkun said Tuesday that China ''condemns'' Israeli authorities for opening fire on Palestinian demonstrators and he voiced support for the protracted Palestinian uprising in the occupied territories.

Yang's remarks came during a meeting with visiting senior Palestine Liberation

Organization official Abdullah Hourani. The meeting was reported by the official Xinhua news agency.

Yang blasted Israel for using force to put down a Palestinian protest in Jerusalem Monday that left at least 210 Moslems dead and wounded more than 150.

''We severely condemn the Israeli authorities for committing such a horrible crime,'' Yang told Hourani, who was described as paying a ''working visit'' to Beijing as the special envoy of PLO leader Yasser Arafat.

''We urge them to observe the norms of international law and cease their oppressive actions against the Palestinian people in the occupied territories '' Yang said, reiterating China's long-standing position of support for the nearly 3-year-old Palestinian uprising.

China has no diplomatic relations with Israel and has consistently backed the PLO, which maintains a mission in Beijing.

Ironically, Yang himself was one of the chief forces behind Beijing's June 4, 1989, military crackdown on democracy protesters in Tiananmen Square that left hundreds dead.

In addition to his post as president, Yang weilds actual control over China's 3.5 million-member army, which remained loyal to him throughout the bloody crackdown.

Yang also repeated China's oft-stated opposition to the use of force to resolve the stalemated Persian Gulf conflict and called for a ''restrained attitude'' in settling the crisis.

As one of the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, China has supported successive U.N. resolutions punishing Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait but has criticized the mass deployment of U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf region.

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OMAHA (OCT. 9) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 1,600; trading on slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, prices both classes fully steady with Monday; not enough slaughter cows or bulls on offer to establish a market; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-4 1100-1350 lb 77.00-78.50, near 3 loads 79.00, load choice and prime No 3-4 1290 lb 75.25 select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 75.00-77.00, select 73.00-75.00; holsteins choice No 2-3 1250-1500 lb 70.00-71.00, select and choice No 2-3 1150-1450 lb 69.00-70.00, select No 2-3 67.50-68.00; heifers choice No 2-4 950-1200 lb 77.00-78.50, load and package 79.00, select and

choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 75.00-77.00, select 72.00-75.00; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 few boning 51.00-54.50, low to average cutter 44.00.

Hogs slaughter 1,800; butchers compared to Monday, steady to 50 lower, No 1-3 220-260 lb closed 58.00-58.50, No 2-3 260-280 lb 57.00- 57.50; sows 25 percent steady with Monday, No 1-3 350-500 lb 50.50-51.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 52.50-53.00.

Sheep 100; compared to Monday, slaughter lambs and ewes steady; shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb No 1-2 pelts 50.00-51.00, 100-120 lb 47.00-50.00; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-135 lb 48.00-49.00 100-120 lb 45.00-48.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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VIENNA (OCT. 9) UPI - President Kurt Waldheim named Chancellor Franz Vranitzky to head to a caretaker government Tuesday amid conflicting signals on whether Austria's two main parties will renew the ''grand coalition'' that has governed the country since 1986.

The old government was formally dissolved Tuesday, two days after parliamentary elections that gave Vranitzky's Socialist Party a decisive edge over its coalition partner, the conservative People's Party.

Vranitzky said he was confident following initial contacts that an agreement would be reached quickly on renewing the Socialists-People's alliance, dubbed the ''grand coalition'' because it encompassed 157 of 183 seats in the old parliament. He predicted the new cabinet would be in place within six weeks.

But People's Party officials have refused to commit themselves to joining a Socialist-led coalition.

Party leader Josef Riegler told reporters Tuesday his faction would not take part in the new government ''at any price.'' But later he indicated the party was waiting to see what kind of offer the Socialists would make.

Riegler said the People's Party also was negotiating with the right- wing Freedom Party, which surprised political observers Sunday by increasing its representation in parliament from 15 to 33 seats.

A coalition between the People's Party and Freedomites would represent a dramatic shift to the right for Austria, which has had Socialist-led governments since 1970.

Waldheim asked Vranitzky and his cabinet to assume a caretaker role until a new government was formed. He thanked the outgoing administration for its

''impressive work'' over the past four years.

An official vote count released Tuesday revised slightly the figures for the number of parliament seats won by the parties. The new numbers still do not reflect the votes of thousands of Austrians who reside outside the country.

The new count showed the Socialists won 80 seats, the same as in the last election, to remain the largest party in the National Assembly. The People's Party lost 17 of its 77 seats in the party's worst performance since its founding in 1945. The Freedomites won 33 seats and the environmentalist Greens 10.

The tally released by the Interior Ministry on Sunday showed the Socialists garnered 81 seats while the Greens won nine.

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AMMAN, JORDAN (OCT. 9) UPI - Palestinian frustration over Monday's killing of at least 21 Palestinians in Jerusalem erupted Tuesday across Jordan with thousands taking to the streets to mourn the deaths and call for vengeance.

Some 25,000 people gathered at the Baqa'a Palestinian refugee camp outside Amman, shouting pro-Palestinian slogans and calling for the government to arm the people to fight against Israel.

Workers in the camp observed a general strike, while black flags waved outside closed shops and tin-roofed shacks.

The demonstrators, which included participants from virtually all political organizations as well as the Moslem Brotherhood, called for a holy war against the Israelis in the occupied territories and the U.S.- led forces in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf.

Protesters burned Israeli, U.S. and British flags at the end of the three-hour march.

Other demonstrations were scattered across refugee camps and in the streets of the capital, but there were no clashes with the security forces.

At least 21 Palestinians were killed and more than 150 wounded in Jerusalem when police opened fire on rioters on the Temple Mount, the site of the Al Aqsa Mosque, the third-holiest site in Islam.

Unlike the reaction last May after the massacre of Palestinian laborers near Tel Aviv, when demonstrators clashed with police for three days, leaders Tuesday in Jordan sought to limit protests in order to show a more unified position.

The demonstration in the Baqa'a camp was organized by Palestinian and Jordanian leftist groups in coordination with the right-wing Moslem Brotherhood for the first time, reflecting the national unity prompted by the gulf crisis.

A group of 2,000 college students marched toward the U.S. Embassy in Amman to protest U.S. support for Israel, but political leaders appealed for restraint and the students eventually were blocked by riot police and numerous armored jeeps.

The political leaders asked the students to postpone their march so that a larger-scale march could be organized.

Government and political organizations issued statements condemning the killing of Palestinians at Moslem holy sites in Jerusalem and calling for the immediate deployment of international troops in the occupied territories to protect Palestinians from the Israeli authorities and Jewish settlers.

The statements linked the resolution of the Persian Gulf crisis to the settlement of the Palestinian problem and the withdrawal of Israel from territories it has occupied since 1967.

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BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (OCT. 9) UPI - The privatization of Argentina's phone company, Entel, has been postponed for 31 days to give officials time to revise the contracts, a spokeswoman for the Public Works Ministry said Tuesday.

The contracts to transfer Entel to two international consortiums, one headed by Telefonica of Spain and the other by Stet of Italy, were originally scheduled to be signed Oct. 8, President Carlos Menem said last week in repeated announcements.

The deadline passed without the expected contract-signing ceremony.

Spokeswoman Maria del Carmen Llaver said there was not enough time prepare contracts because of the last-minute pullout of the consortium led by Bell Atlantic Corp. and Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co., which withdrew their bid Thursday to run the northern half of Entel.

''More time is needed to review the contracts,'' she said.

A group composed of Stet of Italy, France Cables and Radio, and Morgan Bank won the bid for the northern part of Entel when the American consortium backed off.

The Stet and Telefonica groups have offered to buy Entel for $600 million cash and $5 billion in Argentine debt paper, which now sells on the secondary market for about 14 cents to the dollar.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., a tough big-city pol from the streets of Chicago, and Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, a patrician country club millionaire, moved into the spotlight Tuesday as the battle of the budget moved to a new, critical stage.

As autocratic chairmen of the House Ways and Means Committee and the Senate Finance Committee, respectively, they, and members of their panels, have been charged by Congress with writing the bulk of the budget agreement.

And under terms of the budget resolution approved by Congress, they have to complete their work by early next week, an excrutiatingly short time for putting together a sweeping tax bill as well as adjusting Medicare, the health insurance program for the elderly.

In all, the committees will be responsible for cutting the deficit by $18 billion of the $40 billion required in fiscal 1991 and by $194 billion of the $500 billion over five years.

The budget resolution adopted by Congress over the weekend gives the panels few specific instructions. It does, however, suggest the committees stick close to the agreement worked out by President Bush and congressional leaders and killed by the House.

The original agreement, the one rejected by House, contained new taxes on gasoline, tobacco, beer, wine, hard liquor, home heating oil, and luxury items such as expensive cars, yachts, jewels and furs. They are all on the table and other taxes may also be proposed.

The agreement also placed a $10,000 limit on deductions for home interest payments, would have created a new tax credit for investments in small business and saved $60 billion from Medicare - half by cutting payments for hospitals and doctors, and half through increased premiums and deductibles for beneficiaries. The budget resolution approved reduced the Medicare provision to $60 billion.

Not contained in the original agreement, however, was an increase in the tax rates for the wealthiest Americans that the committees are certain to consider - either with or without a reduction in the capital gains tax. Democrats want the top tax rate to, at a minimum, climb from 28 percent to 32 percent.

Bush, who has fought against higher taxes for the wealthy as hard as he has

battled for a cut in the capital gains tax, said today the White House would stay in touch with Rostenkowksi, Bentsen and the ranking Republicans on the committee and ''discuss with them what we can expect. I want them to know it.''

No two members could, on the basis of the background, be more different than Rostenkowki and Bentsen.

Bentsen, the 1988 Democratic vice presidential candidate, quit the House in 1954 to make a fortune in Texas oil and then returned to the Senate in 1970. He is considered a Sun Belt conservative Democrat, very protective of the interests of his state.

Rostenkowski, by contrast, comes from a heavily Polish-American district of Chicago, and is a product of the famed Daley machine. He made the obligatory tour through state service before being sent to Washington in 1958. Thoughtful and pragmatic, he likes to help the little people but also understands the problems faced by the big guys

One issue dramatizes their differences. Rostenkowski, whose constituents drive little, has no qualms about raising gasoline taxes, alhough he would like to divert a part to mass transit.

Bentsen hates higher taxes on gasoline that hurt the petroleum industry as well as gas-guzzling Texans. His antipathy is so deep that he forced budget summit negotiators to put a 2-cent tax on home heating oil to secure his support.

The Ways and Means Committee and the Finance Committee almost certainly will not produce identical bills and their products will also be open to amendments in the Senate and House chambers.

A final version that has to go to Bush for his signature will be worked out in negotiations that will be led and heavily influenced by Rostenkowki and Bentsen.

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#90282u1258 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 9) UPI - A gang of 25 young black males armed with Ninja knives rampaged through the center of the Indian Ocean port city of Durban Tuesday, randomly attacking white pedestrians and wounding eight, police said.

Officers shot and wounded two of the assailants - one a 15-year-old boy - and arrested seven others after the mid-morning stabbing spree, a police spokesman said.

The gang raided a curio shop specializing in martial-arts weapons about 9 a.m.

''then took a variety of Ninja knives and stabbing objects'' and ''ran down the street, chanting songs and attacking whites at random,'' the spokesman said.

He said the attackers wounded three males and five females, including a 15-year-old girl stabbed in the thigh and an 85-year-old man stabbed in the back. Four others were seriously hurt.

Some of the casualties, streaming blood, staggered into shops and hotels seeking refuge, witnesses said.

The gang panicked ''hundreds of ordinary shoppers and passersby'' before dozens of police converged on the scene of the stabbings on the main Gillespie Street, according to the police spokesman.

Officers shot and wounded two of the assailants and arrested seven others, aged 15 to 24, after a hunt through the streets, he said.

The rest of the gang fled, he added, but lawmen were combing the area. He noted police had not discovered any motive for the attack and declined to speculate on possible political reasons.

The police said there were unconfirmed reports all the attackers wore the colors of the African National Congress, but other accounts put them in the dress of the militant Pan-Africanist Congress, the chief rival group of the ANC.

''In any case, just because they are wearing particular colors doesn't mean they are necessarily members of that organization,'' the spokesman said.

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#90282u1261 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 9) UPI - Baghdad Betty and Bob have nothing on Armed Forces Radio. In fact, they're downright boring.

Radio Baghdad, which bills itself as ''The voice of peace,'' is heard in Saudi Arabia on shortwave that fades in and out, making the audi quality marginal.

Until Tuesday with the much-awaited start of Armed Forces Radio-TV Service to U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, soldiers picking up Radio Baghdad on their portable radios dismissed it as mildly amusing.

The commentaries are transparently propagandistic.

''Betty'' and Bob'' take turns reading the lines in between every three or four songs - most of them rock and roll tunes or numbing elevator music from 15 to 20 years ago - and declaring: ''This is the ''ng: ''This is the

The songs are rarely introduced.

Bob often delivers long commentaries, ones seemingly prepared for domestic consumption and for uneducated ears in the Arab world.

''American troops in Saudi Arabia, if the Sabeh family is driven from Kuwait by the Kuwaiti people, what is your interest,'' Betty asked Tuesday.

Tuesday, Bob talked about the 'very crude way (President Bush) introduced troops into Saudi Arabia ... before Saudi Arabia even asked ''ked

A sudden spark, he said, could set of ''an apocolypatic war.''

Monday's ''news'' broadcast cornered the market on the verb ''denounce'' as in ''Arab nations denounce ... the American invasion of the Arab Peninsula'' and they ''denounce the Security Council resolution imposing an economic blockade on Iraq.''

And Bob read a telegram from an unidentified nation saying it was ''ready to defend Iraq and foil the American-Zionist scheme.''

And on Tuesday, seizing on a variety of accidents and crashes, sought to raise questions about the quality of U.S. and allied weaponry. ''All that expensive weaponry, not to mention the pilots and mechanics, can't you see your technology'' is not up to the desert environment.'' Bob said.

And, he added, ''It is our humanly duty to warn you that the war George Bush is hoping to wage is about victims, you. ... We want to inform you you're facing 1 million Iraqis ready to enter into war. We have just finished a bloody eight-year war and are backed by 6 million more volunteers.''

Betty added that a State Department notice cautioning U.S. travelers in the Middle East as a sign of ''the growing panic'' in the United States over the situation.

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PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 9) UPI - Jury selection entered a second day Tuesday in the trial of a $10 million lawsuit accusing a white supremacist of inciting three skinheads to beat a black man to death with a baseball bat.

The trial of the civil suit against Tom Metzger, 52, began Monday under tight security that included a metal-detector and a ring of police around the Multnomah County Courthouse.

There was no violence, despite reports that hundreds of skinheads - youthful members of loosely connected or unconnected groups who shave their heads, wear steel-toed jack boots and often espouse racist views - had flocked to Portland for the trial.

But three skinheads were arrested in or near the courthouse, two for carrying concealed weapons and one on an outstanding assault warrant involving an attack on an anti-racist skinhead.

Efforts to find a fair and impartial jury in the emotional case could take the rest of the week, lawyers said. Two prospective jurors - a black man and a retired Jewish attorney - were excused from the first pool of potential jurors Monday after saying they felt they could not be fair in the case.

Earlier, Circuit Judge Ancer Haggerty, one of only two black circuit judges in Oregon, rejected Metzger's motions to dismiss much of the evidence linking him to the November 1988 slaying.

The suit was brought by attorney Morris Dees of the Southern Poverty Law Center in Montgomery, Ala., and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. It accuses Metzger, of Fallbrook, Calif., and son John, 22, of recruiting three young skinheads who fatally beat Ethiopian student Mulugeta Seraw outside his Portland apartment.

The Metzgers run a group called White Aryan Resistance and the son is a national leader of skinheads.

Two of the three skinheads pleaded guilty to murder or manslaughter in the killing of Seraw, 27, and are serving long prison terms. Two of them, Kenneth Mieske and Kyle Brewster, are named as co-defendants in the civil suit.

The three confronted Seraw and two other blacks outside Seraw's apartment. A fight broke out in which Mieske hit Seraw in the head with a bat. All three whites then kicked him in the head with their steel- toed boots. Seraw died of a fractured skull.

The Metzgers were in California at the time and did not face criminal charges in the case, but in the civil suit they are accused of recruiting the three white youths into their organization and teaching them a doctrine of hate and violence towards blacks and Jews.

Haggerty denied motions by Metzger or his son to exclude bank and phone records or testimony from police and others. The Metzgers, dressed in conservative three-piece suits, contend they cannot afford to hire lawyers and are defending themselves.

Dees and fellow lawyer Elden Rosenthal filed suit on behalf of Seraw's uncle,

Engedaw Berhanu, in an effort to bankrupt the Metzgers' organization. Dees broke an Alabama Ku Klux Klan group that lynched a young black man in 1981 when he won a $7 million judgment that resulted in the group's headquarters and other property being turned over to the victim's family.

Metzger repeated his contention that his group does not advocate violence and called the incident one of ''mutual combat where an unfortunate death occurred.''

Metzger, a former California KKK grand dragon who lost a bid for Congress in 1980, said he will call few if any witnesses, ''except my mother, to say what a nice guy I am.''

Dees is expected to call California skinheads who have said in affidavits that the Metzgers taught them ''Jews and blacks were enemies of the Aryan race and it was necessary to use violence against them.'' One youth said he got the Portland skinhead group East Side White Pride ''all fired up to carry out Tom and John Metzger's goals of harming blacks and Jews.''

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LONDON (OCT. 9) UPI - Profit taking slammed stock prices Tuesday in active London International Stock Exchange trading, eating into gains achieved over the previous two trading sessions.

Similarly, prices weakened on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange after a strong rally Monday.

In London, the blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which surged 57.7 points Monday, plunged 67.5 points to 2,134.1. The narrower top 30 industrial average dropped 65.2 points to 1,640.5.

Volume amounted to around 824 million shares, below the record 1.09 billion shares that changed hands Monday.

Analysts said stocks fell amid a combination of factors, including investors pausing to adjust their portfolios in light of the 131.2-point advance in the FT-100 index in the previous two sessions.

Market watchers said stocks weakened as the euphoria the erupted in the latter part of last week over Britain's entry into the exchange rate mechanism of the European Monetary System waned. Sentiment was hurt by worries over the situation in the Persian Gulf following the deaths in Jersualem Monday of a number of Arabs.

Worries over the effects on companies' overseas earnings resulting from the pound's entry into the exchange rate mechanism also hurt prices.

Analysts downgraded profit expectations of British companies with large overseas earnings. These firms' profits rose with the British pound weak relative to other currencies, but they now will see them fall with the pound strong inside the exchange rate mechanism, market watchers noted.

UBS Phillips and Drew issued several dowgraded forecasts on earnings outlooks sending share prices for BTR, Rio Tinto Zinc and Cable & Wireless broadly lower.

Industrial conglomerate BTR fell 23 cents to $6.05, mining company Rio Tinto Zinc lost 48 cents to $7.64 and telecommunications giant Cable and Wireless fell 36 cents to $8.13.

Britain's largest chemical group, Imperial Chemical Industries, another company whose business is tied to dollar sales, tumbled 90 cents to $15.83 after a bearish report by Barclays de Zoete Wedd.

Cadbury Schweppes dropped 44 cents to $5.93 after the U.S. company General Cinema announced it had sold its 16.7 percent stake.

In Frankfurt, prices closed broadly lower in thin trading. The closely watched German stock index, which surged 73.77 points Monday, fell 32.12 points to 1,433.41, a 2.2 percent pullback.

Traders said stocks came under some light selling pressure following Monday's 5.3 percent rally.

Elsewhere in Europe, stocks also eased in Paris and Zurich. In Paris, the French CAC 40 index fell 11.43 points to 1,574.73, while in Zurich the Swiss stock index slipped 5.90 points to 935.10.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - The Supreme Court has refused to get involved in the question of whether the Army's urinalysis drug testing program violates constitutional protections against unreasonable search and seizure. The case was brought by an Army Staff Sergeant court-martialed in 1988 after testing positive for cocaine use. .

The nation's highest court also declined to hear arguments on a lower-court ruling that threw out rate surcharges placed against customers of five natural gas pipelines in the mid-1980's. The case involved long-term contracts signed earlier in the decade. At issue is whether the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission had the power to order the surcharges. .

And the high court has let stand a decision that public schools have to open

their facilities to a wide range of groups if they selectively allow other organizations use of the buildings. The case goes back to 1987 when a school district in Warminster, Pennsylvania, refused to let an evangelical Christian group use one of its schools, even though it rented out space to other religious groups.

A 10-day-old civil war continues in the central African nation of Rwanda. The government says it is gaining the upper hand against rebels who have been forced into the countryside. France, Belgium and the neighboring African nation of Zaire have all dispatched troops to Rwanda in the past week. But the French and Belgium governments say their troops are there to protect French and Belgian civilians living in the country.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (OCT. 9) UPI - NASA managers ordered engineers to haul the leak-plagued shuttle Columbia off launch pad 39B and back to a processing building Tuesday to protect the $2 billion orbiter from expected high winds and rain.

At the same time, agency officials ordered a 48-hour delay for the shuttle Atlantis's trip from the Vehicle Assembly Building to launch pad 39A because of the threat of stormy weather associated with tropical depression Klaus.

The decision to move Columbia out of the weather came one day after the ship was moved from pad 39A to the shuttle Discovery's vacant firing stand for additional tests to pin down the source of crippling hydrogen leaks that have grounded Columbia since May.

Mounted atop a powerful crawler-transporter, Columbia began the 4.2- mile six-hour trip back to the Vehicle Assembly Building shortly after 10 a.m. EDT.

While shuttle launch facilities were designed to withstand hurricane- force winds, NASA managers decided not to risk any damage to Columbia or Atlantis, even though Klaus was downgraded from tropical storm status Tuesday.

Early Tuesday, Klaus was located southeast of Nassau in the Bahamas, moving toward the west-northwest at 15 mph with maximum sustained winds of about 45 mph. The storm was expected to turn toward the northwest over the next 24 hours.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (OCT. 9) UPI - Salah is one of many young angry Palestinians living in Egypt who dislike Saddam Hussein but think the Iraqi leader now has a chance to show whether he is a mad dictator or an Arab statesman who can

help solve the Palestinian problem.

''I could never agree with some of the things Saddam is doing,'' Salah said in an interview at his small downtown Cairo apartment.

''But Saddam now has a chance to show Arabs and Moslems whether he is a mad dictator or a statesman by either remaining in Kuwait, or withdrawing after receiving pledges that the Palestinian problem will be solved,'' he said.

In a statement to Moslems one day after Israeli security forces killed at least 21 Palestinians in Jerusalem, Saddam warned Israel Tuesday to withdraw from the occupied territories or risk war.

The Iraqi leader's warning was seen as an attempt to focus world attention away from the Persian Gulf crisis and toward the Arab-Israeli conflict to garner more support within the Arab and Moslem world for his lonely cause.

But Saddam's failure to suggest an Iraqi troop withdrawal from Kuwait as a gesture to facilitate a solution to the Palestinian problem has thrown into doubt his sincerity toward the Palestinian cause and not made the position of 50,000 Palestinians in Egypt any easier.

Even before the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, which Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat refused to condemn, government-supervised Cairo newspapers attacked the PLO for condoning anti-Israeli Palestinian terrorism in Egypt.

Egypt has strongly condemned Iraq's invasion and Saddam personally and angered Baghdad by sending troops to Saudi Arabia to help defend the kingdom against possible Iraqi aggression.

And despite recent arrests in Egypt of Palestinians suspected of working for notorious Palestinian guerrilla leader Abu Nidal, genuine support for Saddam has only come from the Palestinians in Jordan and the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza strip, but not from Palestinians in Egypt.

''We have again become a target for the Egyptians,'' said Salah, a 24-year-old part-time carpenter and economics student who asked that his full name not be used. Mubarak last week warned Palestinians in Egypt such as Salah to stay away from pro-Iraqi extremist organizations or risk dire consequences.

Palestinians in the occupied territories, including the growing number who support the Islamic fundamentalist Hamas group and oppose the PLO for being too soft, see Saddam as ''a ray of hope'' who will stand up to the United States and Israel and ''settle the Palestinian problem.''

Despite Salah's reservations and pledges from Western leaders such as French President Francois Mitterrand to work harder to solve the Palestinian problem,

the Palestinian carpenter grudgingly agrees that Saddam now has in his hands a unique opportunity that no other Arab leader has held since the creation of the Jewish state and the division of British-controlled Palestine.

''It is sad that our cause can only be helped by a man who invaded an Arab state,'' he said. ''But it is true to say that Saddam is the only one who has stood up and who Israel cannot dismiss lightly.''

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CHICAGO (OCT. 9) UPI - Directors of UAL Corp., Tuesday unanimously rejected a scaled-down buyout bid by United Airlines employees and terminated their merger agreement with the employee group.

A UAL spokesman said the merger agreement was terminated becasue the employee group - United Employee Acquisition Corp. - failed to arrange financing for the original $4.4 billion, $201-a-share buyout.

The company said the employee group presented a revised acquisition proposal but that the value, while uncertain, was considerably below the $4.4 billion offer accepted by the board last April.

''We firmly believe that the interests of both UAL shareholders and employees would be well-served by the company aggressively moving forward with its highly successful strategioc plan and taking advantage of its position of strength in a time of difficulty for the airline industry,'' the board said in a statement.

The board, facing potential labor problems with its three unions as a result of the buyout's failure, asked federal mediators to resume expedited mediation of new contracts for pilots and flight attendants.

Directors also said UAL is prepared to resume negotiations with the International Association of Machinists.

All three unions have been working under expired contracts while pursuing the buyout - which would have made UAL the world's largest employee-owned company. The unions - and particularly the Air Line Pilot's Association - have indicated they will seek major improvements in wages and benefits.

''Obviously, there are continuing significant issues to be addressed with each of our employee groups,'' the board statement said. ''We plan to do so in a spirit of constructive resolution.''

''Since pilots are further along in negotiations, we are offering to have any issues remaining unresolved at the concluision of expedited mediation with ALPA resolved by a neutral and independent arbitrator,'' it said.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 9) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Tuesday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 59-65.

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BOGOTA, COLOMBIA (OCT. 9) UPI - The government is seeking to lure cocaine cartel kingpins to surrender with new guarantees they will not be extradited to the United States.

The new guarantees were in response to letters received from the city of Medellin, headquarters city of the powerful Medellin cartel of cocaine traffickers, said Justice Minister Jaime Giraldo.

They also came after the kidnappings of seven journalists by the cartel and after an influential group formed to seek their release asked the government for more flexibility in its policies.

''With the new measures, the government is trying to give the cartel heads confidence that they will not be extradited in case they turn themselves in,'' said a Justice Ministry official.

The new policy issued Monday says drug traffickers who surrender to authorities and confess will not be extradited to the United States even if they fail to tell authorities about all of their criminal activities.

It modified a Sept. 5 decree issued by President Cesar Gaivira that promised reduced jail sentences for traffickers who turn themselves in and confess to their crimes. Under the Sept. 5 decree, traffickers could have been sent to face U.S. justice if they failed to confess to certain crimes for which U.S. authorities later sought their extradition.

Giraldo admitted the new measures ''were born in the doubts expressed by some people in letters'' sent from Medellin.

The modifications in the earlier decree also were introduced after a group of

influential Colombians asked Gaviria for ''flexibility'' in its judicial strategy against the cocaine cartels.

The group of two former presidents, a Catholic Church representative and a prominent leftist politician was formed to try to negotiate the release of seven journalists held by the Medellin cartel.

The seven were kidnapped apparently in an effort to bring the government to the bargaining table and seek a political deal similar to that proposed for communist guerrilla groups.

Gaviria has repeatedly said his administration would not negotiate with the cocaine cartels and that the decrees were issued without pressure from traffickers.

The decrees are part of the administration's effort to lower the level of violence in Colombia and to ''demilitarize'' the anti-cocaine effort. The government hopes to end a period of bombings and murders that began in September of 1989 with a string of assassinations and the imposition of a state of siege by the government of then-President Virgilio Barco.

Also Tuesday, the government denied the extradition of a cocaine suspect to the United States.

The Gaivira administration denied a request for extradition for Salomon Shuter wanted in the state of Florida, because the U.S. government failed to present the legal documents necessary to approve the extradition, the spokesperson said.

Since Friday, the government has turned over three Colombians for extradition and authorized one other extradition.

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ORLANDO, Fla. (OCT. 9) UPI - The average price of gasoline nationwide continued to climb during the past week, rising 2.4 cents a gallon to $1.37, the American Automobile Association said Tuesday.

The latest increase followed a 3.6-cents-a-gallon increase the previous week.

The average price of regular unleaded gasoline sold at self-service pumps around the country is now 29.5 cents higher than on Aug. 1, the day before Iraq invaded Kuwait, the AAA said.

The AAA said the average price for mid-grade gasoline sold at self- service pumps rose 2.2 cents during the past week to $1.45 a gallon, while the average price of premium gasoline rose 2.1 cents to $1.534 a gallon.

The AAA said prices increased in all regions of the country during the past week. The steepest increase was recorded in the West, while the smallest increase was in the Midwest, AAA said.

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BUDAPEST, Hungary (OCT. 9) UPI - Hundreds of Turks, Romanians, Poles and Arabs faced possible deportation Tuesday following a nationwide crackdown on illegal aliens who are pouring into Hungary seeking visas to emigrate to the West.

Interior Minister Balazs Horvath, in an interview published Tuesday in the national daily Nepszabadsag, warned that ''those who stay in Hungary illegally will be returned to the country from which they came.''

But Horvath stressed Hungary would abide by U.N. resolutions pertaining to illegal immigrants, and insisted humanitarian considerations would be taken into account.

The crackdown was launched by the national police force, border guards and the Office for National Security in a series of coordinated moves beginning Monday. By Tuesday morning, more than 500 suspected illegal aliens were being held for questioning.

Tens of thousands of Eastern Europeans, Soviets, Turks and Arabs have entered Hungary in recent months as a gateway to Western Europe. Many are turned back at the Austrian border or are returned forcibly to Hungary after sneaking into Austria without a visa.

Nearly all are poor and most are unable to find work in Hungary, where jobs are scarce and the economy is in decline.

''They are often caught in the web of international crime,'' Horvath said.

The influx of foreigners is being blamed for a sharp rise in black market trading in Budapest, as well as pick-pocketing, burglaries and muggings.

There also has been an increase in violent crime among the immigrants themselves. In a highly publicized case on Sunday, a 32-year-old Yugoslav man was stabbed to death at a disco on a river boat near the southern town of Szeged during a brawl between Jordanian Arabs and a group of Yugoslavs. A Hungarian teenager also was seriously hurt.

Three Jordanians have been charged with the slaying and local police are now trying to prevent revenge attacks by Yugoslavs.

Horvath said the nationwide crackdown on illegal immigrants had been planned for months in coordination with the Austrian government.

He said anyone found without proper travel documents or residency permits would be immediately deported by buses or air force planes, although the government would continue to consider legitimate requests for political asylum.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - Sen. Daniel Moynihan, D-N.Y., urged the Senate Tuesday to approve legislation cutting Social Security taxes, saying that the surplus in the trust fund, now above $100 billion, should not be used to finance other government programs.

''These are not general revenues. They must not become sources of general revenue,'' Moynihan said as the Senate began debating his bill that would put Social Security on a ''pay-as-you-go'' basis beginning Jan. 1.

''The case for pay-as-you-go was powerful before the budget summit agreement '' Moynihan said. ''In my view, it is now overwhelming.

''I hope my colleagues will vote for this bill,'' he said. ''It is transparently just, overwhelmingly popular, economically sound and, as a matter of public trust, an elemental duty.''

Sen. Terry Sanford, D-N.C., said the current program, which included a raise in the Social Security tax on employees and employers from 6.06 percent to 6.2 percent this year, was a ''pay-now-and-pay-again-later retirement plan.''

Moynihan said his proposal would mean a ''immediate increase in take- home pay'' for 132 million Americans and after six years, a family with two incomes would have an increase in yearly income up to $1,544.

There was no indication when the Senate would vote on the measure, nor if it has any chance of passage before congressional adjournment expected later this month.

The legislation was called up only hours after the Senate gave final approval to a five-year, $500 billion cut in the federal deficit, including $40 billion in fiscal 1991.

Moynihan's bill, however, would reduce revenues for the Social Security trust fund by $3.9 billion in fiscal 1991 and by $110.6 billion over the five years.

Revenues paid to the Social Security trust fund, as well as several other trust funds, are calculated as income for the federal government and reduce the federal deficit.

Moynihan originally proposed a retroactive repeal of last January's increase in the Social Security tax rate and a reduction to 5.1 percent in January, 1991, that would have slashed revenues by $38 billion.

The bill, however, reduces the tax rate to 6.06 percent, last year's level, in January of next year and then dwindles to 5.1 percent over six years.

At the same time, the taxable income increases from $54,300 to $55, 500 in January and climbs to $85,500 in 1996.

The Moynihan bill would, at the end of 1995, have a reserve equal to at least 18 months of benefit payments.

''The essence of the question is that we now have a situation where the Social Security trust fund ... is now running and has been running a very large surplus and will continue to run a surplus for the next 30 years,'' he said, adding the surplus is growing by $1.3 billion a week.

Under the Moynihan bill, the tax rate would stay at 5.1 percent from 1996 through 2009 and then gradually climb to 8.1 percent in 2055. It would reach the current 6.2 percent in 2015.

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PARIS (OCT. 9) UPI - France called on the United Nations Tuesday to work ''as of today'' toward convening an international conference on the Middle East peace process and said such a gathering should not be conditional on Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

''There is no need for a chronological link (between events in the Persian Gulf and the Palestinian question),'' said Elysee Palace spokesman Hubert Vedrine.

''If the problem presents itself today, France underlines that this underlines the absolute necessity as of today for that international conference.''

''One cannot wait for the U.N. Security Council resolutions concerning the Iraq-Kuwait question to be applied,'' he said.

Vedrine's statement followed comments by President Francois Mitterrand Monday on the latest deaths in Jerusalem in which the 73- year-old Socialist leader said such an international conference was ''more than ever'' the only way to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian problem.

Vedrine denied that the latest French stance could be interpreted as any movement toward demands by Iraq and the Palestine Liberation Organization for

all Middle East problems to be resolved together at the same conference.

''One is not proposing any more than before that at a big conference one mix together all subjects,'' he said.

Asked about the reticence of the United States to associate itself with a new U.N. condemnation of the Israeli occupation of the Arab territories, Vedrine said there was only a ''difference of approach'' between Washington and Paris and that this did not put in question the U.N. Security Council cohesion on the gulf crisis.

''There is no fissure on the Iraq-Kuwait affair and there is none in sight,'' Vedrine said.

''On the rest, there are differences of approach. That is not new. Unfortunately the cohesion of the international community on the Middle East problem remains to be created,'' he said.

He said the important thing was to start up the process ''leading at the right moment to an international conference'' that would consider the Israeli-Palestinian and Lebanese questions.

Vedrine recalled that Sept. 24 in a speech at the United Nations Mitterrand had proposed a path to follow to convene an international peace conference on the Mideast.

''Our initiative implies direct dialogue between the involved parties, the agreement with neighboring or near states, and at last an irreplacable international guarantee vested in the United Nations,'' Vedrine said.

''At the end of the path, one finds again the idea of the international conference to guarantee the execution of the agreement and to catalyse all successful negotiation,'' he said.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - President Bush says he is open minded about negotiating with Congress as it works to come up with a budget compromise that will get votes. Bush even hinted at a news conference this morning that he might agree to higher taxes for the rich if capital gains taxes are cut. The news conference was held just hours after Bush signed a stop-gap spending measure needed to fund the government to October 19th. But, the president then warned he won't sign any extension if Congress does NOT come up with a budget he can support.

Threats of Arab retaliation for the slayings of at least 21 Palestinians by Israeli security forces in Jerusalem yesterday sent oil prices rocketing to record highs on world markets today. Britain's North Brent crude jumped to 41S

West Texas Intermediate was up one dollar 80 cents, to 40 dollars 50 cents a barrel. Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein called for a Palestinian uprising and threatened Israel with a new rocket in his arsenal if it does NOT get out of the occupied Arab territories. .

Israeli security forces have been put on alert amid fears that yesterday's slayings of 21 Moslems could lead to even more violence. Curfews have been placed on the entire Gaza Strip and on most West Bank towns. And several Arab neighborhoods of Jerusalem have been ordered closed. The deaths came after Israeli forces switched from rubber bullets to live ammunition as they battled rock-throwing demonstrators on Jerusalem's holy Temple Mount.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Lots of Earth kids are ready to go to Mars and see the sights, expecting to meet friendly Martians with special talents, a survey reported Tuesday.

A Gallup poll of 1,500 children around the country aged 10 to 14, commissioned by the makers of M&M and Mars candies, found that 64 percent would go to the Red Planet if they could, while 31 percent said they'd rather not.

Seven out of 10 agreed with President Bush's prediction earlier this year of a landing on Mars by the year 2020.

The children were split, with 49 percent of boys and 43 percent of girls saying yes, on whether people would one day build cities on Mars, with older children more likely to have that expectation than kids aged 10-11, the survey found.

And most of the children - 73 percent of the girls and 66 percent of the boys surveyed - expected Martians would be friendly to Earthlings.

Eighty percent expected Martians would have ablities that people on Earth lack with 64 percent of the boys and 57 percent of the girls saying Martians would have better technology.

A few said Martians probably could fly or perform what, for humans, would be supernatural tricks.

Thirty percent of the boys and 28 percent of the girls said the most exciting thing about a visit to Mars would be the planet itself.

As for ideas about Martians, 80 percent of those surveyed expected they would not look alike and most expected Martians would have many different lnaguages, as we do on Earth.

Fifty-four percent said they expected interplanetary communication would be possible.

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MONTREAL (OCT. 9) UPI - About 3,800 Abitibi-Price Inc. paperworkers returned to their jobs Tuesday after ratifying a settlement reached last week, ending a four-week strike at seven mills in eastern Canada.

The Canadian Paperworkers Union said 15 of its 16 Abitibi-Price locals at mills in Ontario, Quebec and Newfoundland voted in favor of a new contract.Ratification was required by a majority of the locals, not individual members.

The new three-year deal calls for wage hikes of 5.5 percent each year, a paid 30-minute lunch for day workers on an eight-hour shift, an increase in the differential paid to workers on the overnight shift and improved benefits.

The wage settlement met a pattern established in talks with Stone-Consolidated Inc. in July.

The union said the deal also includes a clause providing for job security for permanent employees whose positions may be threatened due to layoffs or technological or processing changes.

The settlement apparently was reached after both sides compromised. The company received greater flexibility in assigning tasks to tradesmen, while the locals were given the right to decide on operating the mills on statutory holidays.

Abitibi-Price spokeswoman Sharon Paul said the settlement is good for both sides. ''We are looking forward to making paper at a profit,'' she said.

Paul said that she didn't know how much the strike had cost the company and that high pre-strike customer inventory would make it difficult to calculate actual losses.

The seven mills, which were closed Sept. 10, produce 2.1 million tons of newsprint a year, 60 percent of Abitibi-Price's capacity.

The Abitibi-Price settlement is expected to help break a labor deadlock at Canadian Pacific Forest Products Ltd., where about 1,800 members of the paperworkers union continued their strike at two mills in Quebec and New Brunswick. The picket lines were set up Sept. 12.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (OCT. 9) UPI - The judge hearing the obscenity trial of three members of 2 Live Crew withstood Tuesday an attempt by prosecutors to remove her because she is a former student of the rap group's lead attorney.

Broward County Circuit Court Judge George Brescher denied the request to disqualify fellow Judge June Johnson, saying her relationship with defense attorney Bruce Rogow was not close enough to warrant her dismissal.

Brescher also said the prosecution motion should have been filed 10 days before the trial, instead of on the first day of jury selection.

Luther Campbell, lead singer of 2 Live Crew, and band members Chris Wongwon and Mark Ross are on trial for performing lyrics from their album ''As Nasty As They Wanna Be'' two days after a federal judge declared the music obscene.

The performance by the Miami rap group occurred at Hollywood's Club Futura June 11.

On Monday, Johnson refused to remove herself from the case, saying her relationship with Rogow, a Nova Law School professor, ended with her 1975 class.

Prosecutors also sought to have Johnson removed because she commented on her relationship with Rogow from the bench on Monday, noting that she did not do well in his class.

Brescher said it was a close call, but that he thought her comments were minor and would not affect the case.

Prosecutors may still appeal the decision to the 4th Circuit Court of Appeals in Palm Beach County.

Despite Brescher's decision, prosecutor Pedro Digols said, ''The state is ready to proceed today. We're ready to rock 'n' roll.''

Still undecided is whether Johnson will acceed to a defense request to alter the jury selection process. Defense attorneys feel the present pool of potential jurors does not include enough minorities and young people.

So far, 25 jurors have been called from a larger than normal pool of 70. None have been seated.

Rogow has propsed selecting a jury by relying on drivers license numbers, telephone listings and lists of food stamp recipients to obtain a more racially balanced jury.

''They (prosecutors) want a jury of middle class, white, 40- to 50- year-olds

'' Rogow said. ''I want an 18-year-old, black male jury. ... This is a First Amendment case and the First Amendment protects the freedom to provoke, the freedom to challenge, and the freedom to shock.''

To alter the jury selection process, Johnson would have to declare Florida law unconstitutional as applied to obscenity cases because obscenity is the only area of criminal law that relies on accepted community standards to determine guilt.

''I want to get the trial underway. I want to get rid of this lousy way of picking a jury. There are only three blacks so far out of 25 (potential jurors) and one of them is a black Cuban. He doesn't count as a black. I want to be judged by black Americans. You need people who understand the music,'' Campbell said.

''When rap first came to south Florida, even the young people didn't like it. Now, they understand. I don't expect 40- and 50-year-old housewives to understand what is going on.''

Co-defense attorney Allen Jacobi said the defense plans to call Arthur Henry Gates, a professor of literature at Duke University and an expert on Afro-American culture, Howard Casey, the lead singer of K.C. and the Sunshine Band, as well as Newsday music critic John Leland.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - The United States formally apologized and made $20,000 payments Tuesday to nine Japanese-Americans nearly a half century after they were rounded up and placed in internment camps during World War II.

In an emotional ceremony at the Department of Justice building, Attorney General Dick Thornburgh handed the checks, along with letters of apology from President Bush, to the recipients, age 73 to 107. The ceremony marked the beginning of a three-year $1.25 billion program to compensate Japanese-American internees.

''By finally admitting a wrong, a nation does not destroy its integrity but, rather, reinforces the sincerity of its commitment to the Constitution and hence, to its people,'' Thornburgh said.

Turning to the former internees, five of whom were in wheelchairs, he added, ''In forcing us to re-examine our history, you have made us only stronger and more proud. For that, all Americans are indebted to you.''

When Thornburgh handed a check and letter to Don Hatsuki Shima, 86, of Laurel, Md., Shima held it firmly and whispered, ''Thank you very much.'' His words were lost in a sea of applause from scores of tearful Japanese-Americans

attending the ceremony, including members of the highly decorated 442nd Battalion that fought in Europe during World War II.

Assistant Attorney General John Dunne noted that while the battalion of Japanese-Americans was suffering 9,486 casualties and earning 18,000 decorations, many had family members living behind barbed wire fences in U.S. internment camps.

Following the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, 120, 000 Americans of Japanese ancestory were rounded up and placed in the camps, which were formerly disbanded on June 30, 1946. The Justice Department has estimated that 65,000 of those relocated are still alive.

The Civil Liberties Act of 1988 provided a national apology and authorized $1.25 billion in redress payments to U.S. citizens and permanent resident aliens of Japanese ancestry who were forcibly relocated or interned.

The act requires the attorney general to find eligible people and make payments in order of age, beginning with the oldest. In cases where an eligible person has died since the law's enactment, the payment goes to surviving relatives.

To find those eligible, the Justice Department's Office of Redress Administration has sifted through 50-year-old internment records scattered across the country.

The office has so far verified the eligibility of 22,500 of the oldest Japanese-Americans. Under the three-year redress program, 25,000 payments will be made this year, 25,000 next year and the remaining payments the following year.

A handful of those identified have turned down the payments, which are exempt from federal taxes.

In his letter to the recipients Tuesday, Bush said: ''A monetary sum and words alone cannot restore lost years or erase painful memories; neither can they fully convey our nation's resolve to rectify injustice and to uphold the rights of individuals.

''We can never fully right the wrongs of the past. But we can take a clear stand for justice and recognize that serious injustices were done to Japanese-Americans during World War II.''

Following Tuesday's ceremonies, additional regional ceremonies will be held and the remaining checks for the first group of recipients will be mailed.

Those who received redress payements Tuesday:

-Mamoru Eto, 107, Los Angeles.
-Hau Dairiki, 102, Sacramento, Calif.
-Kisa Iseri, 102, Ontario, Ore.
-Hisano Fujimoto, 101, Lombard, Ill.
-Senkichi Yuge, 101, Los Angeles.
-Sugi Kiriyama, 100, West Los Angeles.
-Sade Ide, 90, Arlington, Va.
-Don Hatsuki Shima, 86, Laurel, Md.
-Ken Yamamoto, 73, Silver Spring, Md.

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#90282u1448 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - A small man from New Hampshire stepped through a velvet curtain and turned to his left. He walked a few paces, gathered his black robe and sat in a high-backed leather chair. David Souter was a member of the Supreme Court.

Souter, whose quiet demeanor and infrequent but impish smile disarmed potential critics, became the 105th justice of the nation's high court after taking an official judicial oath in the ornate chamber Tuesday.

It was his second oath-taking in as many days. On Monday, Chief Justice William Rehnquist had administered the constitutional oath required of all federal employees to Souter, 51, in the East Room of the White House.

Tuesday morning, Rehnquist administered the second oath to Souter inside the marble-columned courtroom on Capitol Hill where he will sit at the dark mahogany bench to hear oral arguments with his eight colleagues.

Among those witnessing both ceremonies was former Justice William Brennan, 84, a leading liberal on the court for 34 years whose retirement opened the door for Souter's nomination.

Others watching Tuesday's 10-minute swearing-in were former Justice Lewis Powell, Attorney General Dick Thornburgh, former Attorney General Edwin Meese and Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, which endorsed President Bush's nomination of Souter after three days of questioning.

Biden and Souter shook hands in court moments before the ceremony began.

After the swearing-in, Souter took his seat to Rehnquist's far left - the traditional seat for the junior justice - and ''the Chief'' wished him a ''long and happy'' tenure on the court.

While posing for photographers after the ceremony, Souter, wearing a gray pinstriped suit, said he read legal papers over the weekend in preparation for

this week's cases.

''I got to work on time this morning,'' joked Souter. ''I'm starting off on the right foot.''

Less than an hour later, the public work began in earnest, with the justices emerging from their robing room and moving to their seats at the bench to begin the day's round of oral arguments.

Souter, a bachelor known as a keen legal scholar, had his attention tested on his first day. While most Americans think of the court in terms of abortion or civil rights or crime, Souter's maiden case involved securities law - one of those arcane, complicated matters the justices wrestle with most of the time.

A former New Hampshire attorney general and member of that state's supreme court, Souter had moved up to the federal bench in April of this year, becoming a member of the 1st U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals based in Boston.

Bush selected Souter as his first nominee for the Supreme Court just three days after Brennan's retirement in late July. The Senate confirmed him by a 90-9 vote on Oct. 2 - too late for him to be present for the Oct. 1 opening of the court's term.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - U.S. consumer borrowing increased only $2.09 billion in August at an annual growth rate of 3.4 percent following a $4.73 billion gain in July, the Federal Reserve said Tuesday.

''The slower growth in August reflected a larger decline in auto loans outstanding and a smaller expansion of revolving credit than in July,'' the Fed said in its monthly report.

''Mobile home loans ... grew more rapidly in August,'' the Fed added.

But the $2.09 billion increase in consumer credit was a better showing than expected by private economists, who anticipated a gain of $1.5 billion in borrowing during the month.

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BONN (OCT. 9) UPI - German and Soviet officials signed an agreement Tuesday under which Germany will pay $7.6 billion toward the cost of withdrawing Soviet troops from former East Germany and resettling them.

German Finance Minister Theo Waigel and Soviet Ambassador to Bonn Vladislav

Petrovich signed the bilateral document.

The agreement was reached last month after tough negotiations, which were also linked to the conclusion of a treaty settling the external aspects of German unification by the two Germanys, France, Britain, the Soviet Union and the United States.

The World War II allies agreed in the treaty to suspend the occupational rights they retained over Germany since the end of war, enabling Germany to regain full sovereignty upon its Oct. 3 unification.

The treaty calls for the withdrawal withing four years of the 380,000 Soviet troops stationed in what used to be East Germany.

In the agreement reached last month, and signed in Bonn Tuesday, Germany agreed to pay $7.6 billion toward the cost of withdrawing and resettling the troops.

The largest chunk of the German funding will be used to build 36,000 apartments in the Soviet Union for the returning soldiers. In addition, $650 million will go toward transportation costs and $2 billion will be used toward the stationing costs while the soldiers are still in eastern Germany.

The agreement also includes a $2 billion loan which will carry no interest for five years. The Bonn government will pay the interest, which will amount to an estimated $650 million.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Gold futures closed Tuesday 480 to 530 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	396.40	396.40	387.00	389.70	394.90
Nov	397.90	....	....	391.70	396.90
Dec	400.30	402.20	388.00	394.00	399.30
Feb	404.90	406.00	393.00	398.20	403.40
Apr	409.00	409.70	398.00	402.20	407.30
Jun	406.80	406.90	406.50	406.50	411.40
Aug	416.10	416.10	410.50	410.50	415.30
Oct	420.50	....	....	414.70	419.50
Dec	425.50	....	....	419.00	423.80
Feb	429.50	....	....	423.70	428.50
Apr	434.10	....	....	428.30	433.10
Jun	439.10	....	....	433.30	438.10
Aug	444.10	....	....	438.30	443.10

Open interest: 112,477 up 804.
Estimated sales: 55,000 contracts.

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#90282u1476 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (OCT. 9) UPI - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir accused Palestinian leaders Tuesday of exploiting the deaths of 21 Moslems for their ''malicious purposes'' and vowed violence would not alter Israeli policy.

''The rioters paid a high price in human life, but this is exactly what their leaders and activists are striving for,'' Shamir said during the dedication of a religious center in the Israel-occupied West Bank.

''Among them, there is no value for human life and it is not important if one is speaking about a Jew or an Arab, because in their evil, they think that the blood serves their malicious purposes - the upsetting of the quiet and the sowing of destruction and ruin,'' he said. ''We will not allow them this.''

Security forces were on alert throughout Israel and the occupied territories Tuesday as thousands of Arabs quietly mourned the killing of 21 Moslems by police during Monday's riots on the Temple Mount.

Isolated incidents of rock-throwing and tire-burning were reported in Israel, but the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip were relatively quiet, military and Palestinians sources said. Three Gaza Arabs were injured in clashes.

In the village of Um Tuba south of Jerusalem, two paramilitary Border Policemen were lightly injured in a knife attack by Palestinians, a police spokesman said.

The entire Gaza Strip and most West Bank towns and all refugee camps were under curfew, and several Arab neighborhoods in Jerusalem were declared closed following disturbances Tuesday, a police spokesman said.

Arabs in Israel and the occupied territories observed a general strike to protest the killings, which they described as a massacre and one Hebrew newspaper called ''unprecedented bloody events.'' The underground leadership of the Palestinian uprising called for increased attacks on soldiers following the Temple Mount violence.

Shamir said Palestinians would not achieve anything through violence because ''we are here and we will stay here.''

''We will establish and create our presence in all parts of the country,'' Shamir said. ''This is our country. This is our land and no force in the world will change this eternal fact.''

Both the European Community and China condemned the Monday killings.

Between 40 and 50 Arabs were arrested Tuesday for questioning about the riots, Palestinian sources said. The police have launched an internal investigation into the violence and the police response, which some Israeli politicians called a major ''foul-up.''

Israeli authorities kept the gates to the Temple Mount closed most of Tuesday preventing worshipers and funeral processions from entering. In the early evening, police reopened the Temple Mount and returned to Moslem leaders the keys to seven gates of the area. Authorities kept the key to the Maghrebi Gate which they have held since 1967.

The Supreme Moslem Council denounced Monday's killings and the closing of the holy place and called on Moslems in Arab countries to stop work at noon Wednesday in protest.

During a protest outside one gate, the 80-year-old Mufti of Jerusalem, Saad Adin Alami, the senior Islamic leader in the holy city, was knocked down and overcome by tear gas. He was taken to Mokassed Hospital, where he was expected to remain for a few days.

Fifty-five Moslems held a sit-in at the Islamic Trust, or Waqf, offices, which ovesees Moslem holy sites, until the Temple Mount was reopened.

Earlier the Mufti appealed for help in telegrams to Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Saudi King Fahd declaring the keys of the Temple Mount had been taken and the courtyard desecrated.

Israeli officials expressed sorrow at the high number of casualties, but said the demonstration on the Temple Mount was a premeditated effort to shift world attention from the gulf crisis to the Palestinian cause. During the riots, the Moslems threw stones at Jewish worshipers at the nearby Western Wall, lightly injuring about 20 Israelis.

During a city council session, Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek denounced the attack on the Jewish worshipers, but said he opposed a change in the status quo of the holy sites. After Israel captured the Christian and Islamic sites, its leaders vowed to guarantee freedom of access to the mosques and churches.

Left-wing and ultra-Orthodox council members accused the police of serious negligence. The senior officers also accused the police command of insensitivity and charged there had been a major breakdown in all levels of intelligence as well as operational deficiencies during the suppression of Monday's riot, the daily Hebrew newspaper Ha'aretz reported.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 9) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.78	2.80	2.76	2.78 1/2	2.79 1/4
Mar	2.92	2.93 1/2	2.90	2.93 1/4	2.92 1/4
May	3.00	3.00 1/2	2.96 1/2	2.99 1/2	2.99
Jly	3.01 1/2	3.03 1/2	2.99 1/4	3.03 1/2	3.01 1/2
Sep	....	....	....	3.07 1/2	3.05 1/2
Dec	3.16	3.16	3.16	3.16	3.15
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.33 1/2	2.35	2.32 1/4	2.34 1/4	2.34
Mar	2.43 1/2	2.43 3/4	2.41 1/4	2.43 1/4	2.42 3/4
May	2.49	2.49 3/4	2.47 1/4	2.49	2.48 1/2
Jly	2.52	2.53 1/2	2.51	2.53 1/4	2.52
Sep	2.49 1/2	2.50	2.49	2.49 1/2	2.49
Dec	2.51 3/4	2.52 1/2	2.51	2.52 1/2	2.51 3/4
Mar	2.57	2.58 1/2	2.57	2.58 1/2	2.58
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.23 1/4	1.23 1/4	1.20	1.22 1/4	1.23 1/2
Mar	1.33	1.33 1/2	1.30 1/4	1.32 1/4	1.33 1/2
May	1.36 1/2	1.38 3/4	1.36 1/2	1.38 3/4	1.40
Jly	1.45 3/4	1.45 3/4	1.43	1.44 3/4	1.46
Sep	....	....	....	1.51	1.52
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	6.33	6.35	6.30 1/4	6.34 1/4	6.34
Jan	6.46 1/2	6.49 1/2	6.44 1/2	6.48 1/4	6.47 1/2
Mar	6.59 1/2	6.61 1/2	6.47 1/4	6.61 3/4	6.59 3/4
May	6.67	6.71 1/2	6.66 1/2	6.70 3/4	6.68 1/2
Jly	6.75	6.78 1/2	6.74	6.78 1/4	6.76 1/4
Aug	6.68	6.72	6.67	6.71	6.67 1/2
Sep	6.37	6.40	6.37	6.37	6.32 1/2
Nov	6.19	6.24	6.17 1/2	6.23 3/4	6.19 1/2
Jan	....	....	....	6.34	6.30
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Oct	22.53	22.57	22.31	22.50	22.53
Dec	22.75	22.90	22.62	22.80	22.79
Jan	23.02	23.20	22.90	23.10	23.08
Mar	23.47	23.70	23.35	23.50	23.46
May	23.82	23.92	23.68	23.85	23.82
Jul	24.00	24.10	23.90	24.06	24.05

Aug	23.96	23.96	23.96	23.96	23.95
Sep	23.70	23.75	23.65	23.73	23.70
Oct	23.30	23.45	23.25	23.45	23.35
Dec	23.05	23.35	23.00	23.35	23.05

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	190.50	191.70	189.30	191.00	191.80
Dec	193.80	195.20	192.80	194.30	194.70
Jan	196.00	196.50	194.30	195.60	195.70
Mar	196.50	198.00	195.60	197.00	197.70
May	196.50	197.50	195.30	196.80	197.70
Jul	196.00	197.30	195.60	196.90	197.20
Aug	194.50	194.50	193.50	194.50	195.20
Sep	188.00	188.00	187.00	188.00	188.50
Oct	183.00	184.50	182.00	184.50	185.50
Dec	183.00	185.00	181.50	185.00	185.50

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MOSCOW (OCT. 9) UPI - A state-owned auto plant rejected an order from the Russian republic for armored limousines for Boris Yeltsin and the Russian prime minister, an official said Tuesday.

Russia's Vice President Ruslan Khasbulatov told the republic's Parliament the order for four limousines was rejected by the Gorky automotive works and the Soviet automobile industry minister because KGB permission had not been granted for building the cars.

Yeltsin, the populist who is effective president of the Russian republic as chairman of its Parliament, had previously rejected the idea of riding in a special limousine but the republic ordered the cars for him and Premier Ivan Silayev after Yeltsin was injured in a traffic accident Sept. 21.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
American Bank-Conn (3rd Q)	
....	....
$1,405,000 (.65)	$1,621,000 (.75)
American List (2nd Q 8-31)	
$1,942,000	$1,668,000
$718,000 (.26)	$626,000 (.23)

Bandag Inc (3rd Q)
$153,666,000 $136,415,000
$21,032,000 (1.47) $19,946,000 (1.37)

Ecology & Environmnt (4th Q 7-31)
123,024,000 $18,553,000
$1,092,000 (.27) $910,000 (.23)

First Natl Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
$5,446,000 (.61) $5,399,000 (.61)

First Viginia Banks (3rd Q)
....
$16,353,000 (.76) a-$17,594,000 (.83)
a-Includes an after-tax profit of $974,000 (.05), from the sale of mortgage servicing right.

International Paper (3rd Q)
$3,300,000,000 $2,900,000,000
$181,000,000 (1.66) $215,000,000 (1.91)

Interspec Inc (3rd Q 8-31)
$17,379,000 $12,617,000
$204,000 (.03) d-$2,459,000
d-Deficit.

Lance Inc (3rd Q 9-8)
$101,689,000 $100,490,000
$10,402,000 (.33) $11,159,000 (.35)

Luby's Cafeterias (4th Q 8-31)
$83,403,000 $75,249,000
$8,920,000 (.32) $8,146,000 (.30)

Nichols Research (4th Q 8-31)
$22,560,000 $16,401,000
$1,157,000 (.32) $812,000 (.23)

Reeds Jewelers (2nd Q 8-31)
$11,778,00 0 $11,101,000
d- $64,000 d-$113,000
d-Deficit.

Republic Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
$423,000 (.07) $261,000 (.03)

Spearhead Indus (1st Q 8-31)
$8,540,000 $9,457,000
$581,000 (.12) $578,000 (.12)

Star Banc Corp (3rd Q)
....
$15,312,000 (.53) $12,137,000 (.42)

Transworld Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
$620,000 (.55) $547,000 (.49)

United Foods (2nd Q 8-31)
$36,672,000 $35,025,000
$258,000 (.02) $715,000 (.05)

United Stationers (4th Q 8-31)
$242,150,000 $235,479,000
$3,146,000 (.20) $4,008,000 (.26)

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#90282u1483 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

AUSTIN, TX (OCT. 9) UPI - Republican multimillionaire Clayton Williams has spent almost $16 million in his quest to become the next Texas governor, according to campaign finance reports filed Tuesday.

The $16 million figure breaks the previous $12 million record expenditure by Gov. Bill Clements in his unsuccessful 1982 re-election bid against Democrat Mark White.

Reports filed with the secretary of state show Williams raised $3.5 million and spent $4.7 million in the latest period covering July 1 to Sept. 27.

Democrat Ann Richards, who had raised a total of about $7 million through the previous reporting period, was expected to file her new report later in the day.

The new Williams figures bring to $16.7 million the total raised by the Midland oil man, banker and rancher since entering the governor's race last year.

He has spent a total $15.8 million, including more than $6 million of his own money pumped into the campaign before he swept the GOP primary in March.

The Williams campaign said he has not contributed any of his own funds since then, although the figures do include some $261,000 for the use of his private

aircraft.

Williams reported 14,363 contributions in the latest reporting period, pushing his donor file list to 28,972 names.

''We are obviously pleased with the number of contributors Clayton is attracting,'' said his campaign manager, Buddy Barfield. ''We anticipate raising $1.5 million on Oct. 15 during a lunch with President Bush, which will obviously generate excitement and help us maintain the strong financial support Clayton is receiving throughout the state.''

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#90282u1487 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	369.18	220.40	138.24	20.79	313.48
Opening	366.41	219.70	137.47	20.52	311.13
11 a.m.	364.93	220.12	137.42	20.50	310.11
Noon	364.44	219.70	137.34	20.47	309.71
1 p.m.	362.18	218.51	136.74	20.35	307.88
2 p.m.	363.20	218.55	136.99	20.37	308.66
3 p.m.	361.67	216.96	136.69	20.29	307.44

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	392.25 off 1.75
Morning fixing	394.80 up 2.25
Afternoon fixing	397.00 up 4.75
Close	395.00 up 2.75
Paris	398.01 up 4.50
Zurich	395.50 up 3.00
Hong Kong	395.35 up 5.50
New York	
Comex spot close	389.70 off 5.20
Republic cash	390.50 off 4.75
Handy and Harman	397.00 up 6.20

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated

gold of 398.32 up 6.21 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 418.24 up 6.52 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.593 off 0.077
Republic cash	4.615 off 0.075

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.645 per fine ounce off 0.02

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.655 unchanged and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.981 unchanged.

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 452.00 up 5.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 552.00 up 5.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 102.00 up 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 117.00 up 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90282u1515 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 9) UPI - Congress, moving swiftly on President Corazon Aquino's instructions after an uprising was crushed last week, approved a bill Tuesday increasing penalties for rebellion and making coup d'etat a crime.

The bill raises the maximum penalty for rebellion 12 years to life imprisonment and makes it a non-bailable offense. It also recognizes a coup attempt as a crime with a penalty of life in jail, defining it as a violent power grab by military or state personnel.

Approved earlier Tuesday by a joint conference committee, which reconciled differences in the versions of the Senate and the House of Representatives, the bill later in the evening was passed by the two chambers.

Aquino had certified the urgent approval of the bill in December after she put down a sixth coup attempt since she took power in 1986. After crushing a two-day rebellion last week by a secession-minded army Col. Alexander Noble, in the southern island of Mindanao, Aquino prodded Congress to pass the measure immediately.

Speaker Antonio Cuenco said the ''anti-coup bill'' was ''not enough,'' acknowledging the government must address deep-seated grievances in the 150,000 armed forces.

''But I am sure it will contribute to deter coup plotters,'' said Cuenco.

Opposition Senator Juan Ponce Enrile said rebellion under the leadership of the late 20-year ruler Ferdinand Marcos was punishable by death.

''It did not deter us from mounting a capital offense. Happily, we succeeded '' said Enrile, who co-led the 1986 revolt that forced Marcos into exile in Hawaii, where he died on Sept. 18, 1989.

Aquino rescinded the tough Marcos decrees on rebellion after she took power to fulfill a campaign pledge. But after a series of uprisings against Aquino, Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos urged the reimposition of stiff penalties for the crime.

Enrile, who was sacked as defense minister by Aquino in November 1986 after his aides were implicated in a coup attempt, is facing rebellion charges in connection with the December uprising in which 119 people were killed and more than 500 wounded.

Also on Tuesday Aquino said she had ordered armed forces chief Gen. Renato de Villa to ''review the entire command structure in Mindanao with a view to strengthening its effectiveness in the discharge of its role to protect our people and our democracy.''

But Senator Ernesto Maceda, in a radio interview Tuesday, proposed a top-to-bottom revamp of the armed forces, pointing out the ease with which Noble seized the two garrisons in Mindanao, 500 milessouth of Manila, without firing a shot.

''The events (in Mindanao) have confirmed what we have been saying long ago that reforms are being demanded by the lower ranks which are not happening,'' said Maceda, chairman of the Senate defense committee.

After taking over the garrisons in Butuan and Cagayan de Oro cities on Thursday, Noble declared Mindanao an independent federal republic. But Noble, a former deputy chief of Aquino's security group, surrendered two days later after the support he expected did not materialize.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 20 to 28 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	10.19	10.20	9.89	9.95	10.15
May	10.19	10.22	9.91	9.92	10.15

Jly	10.20	10.21	9.90	9.90	10.16
Oct	10.23	10.23	9.92	9.92	10.20

Estimated sales: 13,490 contracts
Open interest: 109,777 up 692
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.98

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 4 points higherto 1 point lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.26	23.30	23.26	23.30	23.26
Mar	23.22	23.22	23.21	23.22	23.19
May	23.30	23.30	23.28	23.29	23.29
Jly	23.30	23.31	23.29	23.29	23.30
Sep	23.23	23.23	23.23	23.23	23.24
Nov	22.94	22.94	22.94	22.94	22.94

Estimated sales: 415 contracts
Open interest: 11,582 off 78

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HOLLYWOOD (OCT. 9) UPI - Moviegoers, clearly impressed with the slate of films this fall, have spent $3.76 billion at the box office so far this year, less than 2 percent behind last year's pace, which hit $3.82 billion at the same juncture.

The final domestic box-office tally for this year could reach $4.9 billion, off about 3 percent from last year's record $5.03 billion gross, Daily Variety reported Tuesday.

At this point in 1988, ticket sales had reached $3.39 billion.

With Steven Seagal's latest action movie ''Marked for Death'' leading the way, last weekend's ticket sales reached $65.5 million, up from the $61.3 million taken in for the same week last year. In 1988, the weekly total was $51.3 million.

Twentieth Century Fox's ''Marked for Death'' took in an impressive $10.5 million during its three-day debut, the second largest fall opening ever after Columbia's ''Look Who's Talking'' opened last October with $12.1 million.

A top Fox executive, Tom Sherak, said he expects the movie will continue to perform well for the rest of the year, since it comes at a time when there are currently few other male-oriented action films.

''We thought that there are a lot of upscale-type movies now, so that

action-adventure audience is hungry for a new one,'' Sherak said. ''In the summer, there may have been too many.''

Carolco's ''Total Recall,'' with Arnold Schwarzenegger, and Fox's ''Die Hard 2 '' with Bruce Willis, were the top action-adventure movies during the summer, with grosses having reached $118.1 million and $113.6 million, repectively.

''Marked for Death'' also represents a boost for Seagal, whose previous two films performed far above expectations. Sherak said that Seagal may become as popular as Schwarzenegger.

''We did some research and found that you don't have to be a man to like Steven Seagal,'' Sherak said. ''Young women love him. There's a realism he brings to the screen that's very watchable.''

''Marked for Death'' also represents another hit for Fox under the stewardship of studio head Joe Roth, who took over the post a little more than a year ago. The studio's ''Pacific Heights'' thriller has also performed well in 10 days of release, with a $14 million gross so far.

But the year's biggest money-maker will be Paramount's ''Ghost,'' which has taken in $161.5 million in 13 weeks and trails only Disney's ''Pretty Woman,'' which has grossed nearly $175 million since it was released eight months ago.

New Line's ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles'' is in third place with $133.1 million after 27 weeks, and Paramount's ''Hunt for Red October'' is in fourth with $120.7 million after 32 weeks.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - The Marine Corps has declared Marine Lt. Col. William Richard Higgins, taken hostage in Lebanon, to be dead and will hold a memorial service Nov. 8 at Quantico, Va., officials said Tuesday.

Higgins, 44, who was kidnapped in southern Lebanon in February 1987, had been officially listed as missing, but Gen. A.M. Gray, Marine Corps commandant, changed his status to dead in a July 6 hearing on the case, the Pentagon disclosed.

The hearing came nearly a year after Moslem kidnappers released a 37- second videotape showing a hooded man whom they said was Higgins hanging by the neck from a rope.

A pro-Iranian Shiite group calling itself the Organization of the Oppressed on Earth said they killed Higgins on July 31, 1989, when a deadline passed for Israel to release Sheikh Abdul Karim Obeid, a Moslem cleric kidnapped by Israeli commandos in southern Lebanon two days earlier.

FBI analysts who studied the videotape last year said it was not a fake and that the man in the picture was dead. The FBI also said there was ''a high probability'' that the body was that of Higgins.

The body was never returned despite an appeal by Higgins's wife, Marine Maj. Robin Higgins, who formerly worked as a spokeswoman in the Pentagon, that the kidnappers turn her husband's remains over to authorities.

The Pentagon said Tuesday that memorial services for Higgins are scheduled for 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 8, at Quantico National Cemetery in Quantico, Va., site of a Marine base.

Higgins, the head of a 75-member U.N. peacekeeping force in Lebanon, was kidnapped while driving on the coastal road south of the port city of Tyre, 46 miles south of Beirut, on Feb. 17, 1987.

Six Americans remain hostage in Lebanon: Terry Anderson, Thomas Sutherland, Joseph J. Cicippio, Edward A. Tracy, Alann Steen and Jesse J. Turner.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $30 to $43 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.25 cent to 0.45 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.50 to 2.55 cents a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.03 cent to 0.64 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $4.80 to $5.30 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.20 to $5.20 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 2.60 cents to 5.05 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 7.8 to 8.5 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.020 to 0.028 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly lower.

American Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in active trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1/4 to 1 1/4, soybeans up 1/4 to 4 1/2, wheat off 3/4 to up 2 and oats down 1 to 1 1/4.

Cattle Trade - Steady; top $79.00.

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#90282u1555 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 9) UPI - President Bush says he's open-minded to negotiations and might be ready to raise some tax rates for the rich if it accompanies a capital gains tax cut. Bush spoke to reporters after signing a stop-gap spending bill to keep the federal government running. The bill was passed hours earlier by a battle-weary Congress, which now must draft a new budget deal in 10 days.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is warning Israel to get out of occupied Arab lands or risk war. The statement read on Baghdad Radio comes one day after Israeli soldiers shot at least 21 Arabs to death in Jerusalem. Arab diplomats say Saddam's statement is an attempt to refocus world opinion from his occupation of Kuwait to the Arab-Israeli conflict.

The orbiting Discovery astronauts are packing up their gear in preparation for tomorrow's fiery glide back to Earth. If all goes well, Discovery and its five-member crew will touch down at dawn at California's Edwards Air Force Base to close out a near-perfect mission highlighted by the successful launch of the Ulysses solar probe.

A solemn ceremony was held at the United Nations today to remember John Lennon

on what would have been the former Beatle's 50th birthday. A tearful Yoko Ono urged fans of her slain husband to keep the power of dreams and love alive. Millions around the world tuned in today as the haunting words of Lennon's ''Imagine'' were played in a world-wide radio broadcast.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - The Soviet Parliament has ratified a 16-year-old treaty limiting the size of underground nuclear tests and a 1976 pact on atomic explosions for peaceful purposes. The 1974 treaty limits underground tests to 150 kilotons. Agreements to upgrade verification procedures were reached at the June super-power summit in Washington.

NATO officials say the hoped for visit by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to alliance headquarters in Brussels will NOT take place until ''some time next year.'' The reason given is Gorbachev's tight schedule and pressing business in the Soviet Union.

In South Africa today, at least eight whites were wounded in stabbing attacks by a gang of 25 black men who rampaged through the port city of Durban. Police say the gang, armed with Ninja knives, ran through the streets and attacked white pedestrians at random. Officers shot and wounded two and arrested four others.

Armed Forces Radio began live broadcasts to the 175-thousand U-S troops in the Persian Gulf today with the greeting- ''Good Morning Saudi Arabia.'' The intro was an imitation of comedian Robin Williams' opening in his movie ''Good Morning Vietnam.'' The first song beamed over the Saudi desert was ''Rock the Casbah'' by the Clash.

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#90282u1572 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 9) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.63-2.68 3/4 up 5.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.26 1/4- 6.34 1/4 up 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.22 1/4-2.34 1/4 up 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.31 1/4-2.39 1/4 off 4 to up 1/4.

#90282u1574 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - An old issue - the status of Jerusalem - arose anew Tuesday, threatening to further disrupt U.S.-Israeli relations at a time when other differences are already straining them.

The disagreement became evident in statements by the two governments over the terms of a $400 million housing loan guarantee the United States agreed to give Israel last week after more than a month of secret negotiations.

As described by Secretary of State James Baker last week at a New York news conference, the money would go for housing for the recent flood of immigrants from the Soviet Union, expected to reach 120,000 this year alone. But Baker said the money will be contingent on the Israeli assurance ''that immigrants will not be settled beyond the Green Line.''

The Green Line is the political boundary that marked the border of Israel before the 1967 Six-Day War. At that time, the West Bank, Gaza, and Arab East Jerusalem were outside the Green Line.

Since the war, Israel has officially annexed the Old City of Jerusalem and about 26,000 surrounding acres, but the annexation is not recognized by any other country, including the United States.

Baker said the housing agreement also provided assurances by Israel the money would not be spent in the occupied territories.

The Baker statement meant that none of the new settlements would be placed in East Jerusalem, but within 24 hours, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir announced that Israel would build new housing in East Jerusalem for the immigrants.

According to administration officials, Baker last weekend called his top aide on Middle East issues, Dennis Ross, and asked him to get a clarification and, if necessary, inform the Israeli government the United States would publish the full text of the agreement reached last week. Ross had negotiated the text with Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy.

Ross, according to an administration official, was unable to reach Levy or any of his deputies over the weekend, but State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said the Israeli government will be informed, as a matter of courtesy that the letter is to be made public as soon as possible, probably Wednesday.

She told reporters, ''You can then judge for yourself.''

Congress has already approved the $400 million, but the administration can hold the money back until it is satisfied the money will not be used to strengthen Israel's hold on East Jerusalem or the occupied territories of the West Bank and Gaza.

Administration officials said the agreement includes two elements that have never been part of an accord with Israel.

For the first time, officials of the Agency for International Development, which will monitor the agreement, will audit the expenditure of the money. In the past, the Israeli government was simply given a check for U.S. economic aid - currently running $1.2 billion annually - and no accounting was given by the Israelis or requested by the United States.

Also for the first time, Israel has accepted some limits on its policy of expanding settlement activity in the occupied territories.

The disagreement came the day after Baker had indirectly criticized Israeli security forces for inadequate preparation in dealing with the distubances in Jerusalem that left more than 20 Moslems dead.

The Israeli government also was nervous about a line in President Bush's speech to the United Nations General Assembly last week that suggested the Persian Gulf crisis over Iraq's invasion of Kuwait might be used as a means of moving to settle the overall Arab-Israeli dispute.

The Israeli government has objected to any linkage between the two issues.

Bush later told reporters they had made too much of his mention of the Arab-Israeli issue in his speech.

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#90282u1588 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - The new budget agreement, which calls for a 24 percent cut in agriculture spending through 1995, could lead to sharp changes in the decades-old farm program, Capitol Hill observers said Tuesday.

One economist said the agreement could spur adoption of the so-called triple base plan, a relatively new concept that would make some cropland ineligible for government payments while allowing farmers to grow crops on it.

Other money-saving options available to congressmen charged with revising the program include reductions in target prices; larger land set-asides; cuts in support programs, such as dairy, sugar and peanuts, that do not rely on target prices; ''targeting'' benefits to family-size operations, and raising loan rates.

The budget package given final congressional approval early Tuesday calls for $1 billion in savings in agriculture spending in fiscal 1991 and about $13.5 billion in savings through fiscal 1995.

Overall, the reductions would be slightly larger than an ill-fated package offered last week, but the House and Senate Agriculture committees would need to make a smaller cut this fiscal year - $1 billion vs. $1.3 billion in the rejected plan.

''The triple base concept will easily find that amount, but I want to stress again, nobody's going to be very happy,'' said the economist, who asked not to be identified.

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House Agriculture Committee leaders have indicated for weeks they would prefer to accomodate budget cuts through the triple base. There is little appetite in the Farm Belt for further cuts in target prices, which are down 10 percent since 1985, or lower loan rates, which have been slashed by nearly a quarter in the last five years.

Senate Agriculture Committee members have not been as forthcoming about their sentiments. One source indicated Democrats were leaning toward ''a conventional strategy,'' meaning a look at land set-asides and loan rates.

Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter said the administration's preference is a combination of target price cuts and payment acres but declined to say what the mix should be.

The triple base concept has some attractive points. It would give farmers some freedom in deciding what to grow - a major point in this year's debate over farm policy - and it gives them a chance to make money that would be denied if a large land set-aside was ordered.

However, the triple base ''would reduce the income of most farmers'' because of smaller federal payments, the Congressional Budget Office says.

Some critics say the planting flexibility offered by triple base would have little value to farmers in regions where the climate allows few crop choices or there are few chances to market a new crop profitably.

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#90282u1602 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Composer-conductor Leonard Bernstein is virtually retiring from public life due to illness, it was announced Tuesday.

Bernstein has been advised by his physician, Dr. Kevin M. Cahill, to give up conducting and performing at the piano because these activities are too strenuous for his present physical stamina, according his spokeswoman Margaret Carson.

The announcement said Bernstein has been experiencing ''increased difficulty in breathing'' in the past few weeks due to progressive emphysema complicated by a plural tumor and a series of pulmonary infections.

It said Cahill had prescribed a continued regime of rest and recuperation as the best hope for Bernstein to return to a ''limited'' schedule of activity.

Bernstein was known as a heavy smoker for many years.

''As soon as his health allows, Maestro Bernstein will continue his work on a new chamber music piece to be performed next spring, a new musical theater piece he hopes to complete by next summer, several educational projects, several film and recording projects, as well as his memoirs,'' Carson said.

''In addition, he hopes to be well enough to participate in the Oct. 28 Carnegie Hall concert, 'Music for Life,' an AIDS benefit.''

The announcement said Bernstein's condition requires that he withdraw from scheduled appearances with the New York, Israel and Vienna philhamonics, and the London Symphony.

In addition he has canceled appearances next season at three music festivals - Tanglewood in Massachusetts, Schleswig-Holstein in Bermany, and the Pacific Music Festival in Japan.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.03

60 to 89 days 7.95

90 to 119 days 7.95

120 to 149 days 7.85

150 to 179 days 7.79

180 to 270 days 7.72

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.05 - 7.75

Issuers 30 days 8.04

Issuers 90 days 7.73

Issuers 270 days 7.45

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.13

60 to 89 days 8.11

90 to 119 days 8.15

120 to 149 days 8.12

150 to 179 days 8.12

180 days 8.12

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

1 month 8.125 - 8.25

3 month 8.125 - 8.25

6 month 8.125 - 8.25

Year 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.19 - 7.17

6 months 7.21 - 7.19

Year 7.13 - 7.11

Federal Funds: High 8 3-16, Low 8.125, Close 8 3-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.868 up 0.071.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2445.54	off 78.22
20 Trans	841.35	off 18.30
15 Utils	204.67	off 3.83
65 Stocks	861.51	off 23.18

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#90282u1658 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

HAWTHORNE, Calif. (OCT. 9) UPI - Conglomerate Teledyne Inc. said Tuesday that agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation raided the company's relay division plant last week and seized an unspecified number of documents from the facility.

Teledyne spokesman Berkeley Baker said he could not comment on the matter, other than to say that the company was cooperating with the investigation. He refused to comment on the nature of the documents that were seized.

The plant, located in the Southern California beach city of Torrance, makes electrical relays used in military, space and industrial applications. The facility employs about 600 workers.

The FBI was not available for comment.

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#90282u1662 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - President Bush, with unusual terminology, raised ''the Palestine question'' Tuesday in referring to a solution to the Arab-Israeli problem.

As a political entity, Palestine ceased to exist when the United Nations partitioned the British-mandated territory into Jewish and Arab states in November 1947.

Arab states neighboring Palestine rejected the partition plan when the Jewish sector of the newly divided land proclaimed itself an independent Israel May 14, 1948. Most of them went to war against Israel, which over two years of conflict won more territory than it would have received under the partition plan.

But Palestine as a concept is very much alive in the aspirations of Palestinians and their supporters in the Arab world, Israel and elsewhere who seek to carve out a new state in a land ripped apart and overrun by violence since man put history in writing.

At a White House news conference, Bush referred no fewer than three times to ''the Palestine question'' when replying to questions about an apparent attempt by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis by linking it to a resolution of the decades-old Arab-Israeli dispute.

The deputy White House spokesman, Roman Popadiuk, said Bush's thrice- repeated phrase signaled ''no change in policy'' geared to the United States acting as an ''honest broker'' between Israel and the Arab states - chiefly Egypt - in seeking a resolution of the Palestinian issue.

At the State Department, spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said she saw nothing ''intentional'' in Bush's terminology.

The deputy spokesman for the Palestine Affairs Center, Khalil Futah, didn't know what to make of it.

''It is unusual,'' he said of Bush's term. ''It's the first time we hear it from a senior official, the top official (of the United States). But we're not going to read between the lines.''

Bush created a minor stir during his U.N. speech Oct. 1 when he appeared to make a vague link between settling the gulf and Arab-Israeli crises. He quickly denied any such intent.

The president's meeting with reporters Tuesday came less than 24 hours after Israeli authorities killed at least 21 Palestinians in the most violent eruption of violence in Israeli-annexed East Jersualem since the Arab sector of the city was seized from Jordan in the 1967 Middle East War.

Saddam apparently grabbed the opportunity to try to rally the Arab world against its longtime foe, Israel, and again link U.N. demands for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait to U.N. resolutions in 1967 and 1973 calling on Israel to pull out from Arab territories captured in the six- day 1967 conflict.

Bush would have none of it, saying that Saddam was ''trying to link the Palestine question in his - kind of giving justification for what he did against Kuwait. And yet the logic falls totally flat.''

Nevertheless, Bush's ''Palestine question'' phraseology was highly unusual, particularly in public and chiefly for a president, since U.S. policy generally refers to the ''Palestinian issue.''

The ''Palestinian issue'' is accepted shorthand for the layers of difficulties dealing with efforts since 1979 to negotiate autonomy for the 1.2 million Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied west bank of the Jordan River and the Gaza Strip.

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(For Tuesday)

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1090.4
Monday	1089.8
Week ago	1087.0
Month ago	1095.9
Year ago	1105.1
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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(OCT 9) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock				
US Energy	Q	10PC	11-16	11-1
Increased				
ITT Corp	Q	.43	1-1	11-8
Kimball Intl clB	Q	.17	1-15	12-24
Tyco Labs	Q	.09	2-4	1-4
Usual				
Bank of New York	Q	.53	11-2	10-19
Diversified Energy	Q	.40	11-9	10-24
Overseas Shipholding	Q	.12 1/2	11-28	11-1
Rayonier Timbrlnd cl-A	Q	.90	12-31	11-30

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 11,720,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,705,424,700
Bonds - $4,440,000
1990 to date - $558,437,000

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#90282u1678 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
BOSTON (OCT. 9) UPI - Air Force veterans exposed to the herbicide Agent Orange during the Vietnam War suffered no apparent health problems as a result two summaries of previously published data said Tuesday.

The reports by Air Force researchers were based on a 20-year review of the health and mortality rates of 1,261 veterans of Operation Ranch Hand, the unit responsible for aerial spraying of herbicides in Vietnam.

The conclusion that Agent Orange did not pose a health risk drew fire from critics, and also seemed at odds with a recent government decision to pay $8 million a year to Vietnam veterans suffering from certain cancers that they claimed resulted from the herbicide.

Sen. Thomas Daschle, D-S.D., co-sponsor of an Agent Orange compensation bill for veterans, called the studies appearing in the Journal of the American

Medical Association ''merely a rehash of old Air Force reports that the Air Force scientists themselves have acknowleged are inadequate.''

Daschel said they ''only serve as a reminder of the Air Force's sustained, calculated effort to mislead the public on the Agent Orange issue.''

Dr. William Wolfe, an Air Force colonel and co-author of the research, acknowleged his team is now re-analyzing the data to address some of Daschle's concerns. But he denied there had been any attempted deception.

''The Air Force does not tell me what to do when it concerns my area of expertise,'' he said.

From January 1965 to April 1970, the Air Force sprayed Agent Orange, which contained the toxic contaminant dioxin, on the Vietnamese countryside to destroy enemy ground cover and crops.

During the past 15 years, 36,000 Vietnam veterans have filed compensation claims, saying the herbicide caused medical problems ranging from cancer to birth defects in their offspring.

The federal Centers for Disease Control's study of possible Agent Orange health effects was halted in 1987 when health officials said military records had insufficient information to draw any conclusions.

The Air Force studies, initially released in February, compared Operation Ranch Hand veterans to other Vietnam veterans who also worked for at least one year flying or loading transport planes, but were not exposed to herbicides.

In one study, Wolfe's team compared overall death rates and deaths from cancer circulatory disorders and accidents of the Ranch Hand group and 19,101 other Air Force veterans involved in cargo missions.

The researchers said they found no significant differences between the two groups in any of the four categories.

The second study compared the health of 995 members of the Ranch Hand group and 1,299 members of a comparison group who underwent medical examins in 1982, 1985 and 1987. Researchers said the two groups were similar in reported health problems, except for a slightly higher rate of a common and generally non-life threatening skin cancer.

Because the skin cancers were spread among the Ranch Hands without regard to their degree of Agent Orange exposure, the researchers said it is not thought they are linked to the herbicide.

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#90282u1691 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Tuesday it will offer $18.8 billion in 13- and 26-week T-bills at next Monday's weekly auction to raise $1.375 billion in new cash for the federal government.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	167.41	off 4.24
ASE Market Value Index	303.05	off 3.46
Dow-Jones Industrial	2445.54	off 78.22

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#90282u1695 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks -	145,610,000 shares
1990 to date -	30,806,172,342
Warrants -	839,800
1990 to date -	192,984,000

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#90282u1698 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 306.55, low 302.67, close 303.05, off 3.46.

There was a loss of 11 cents in the average share price.

Volume 11,720,000 shares, compared with 8, 200,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	none
New Lows	72
Advances	155
Declines	403
Unchanged	212
Total Issues	770

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Tuesday -	$38,640,000
1990 to date -	$8,587,272,000

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#90282u1700 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - Matthew Maxwell Taylor Kennedy, son of Ethel and Robert Kennedy, will marry Victoria Anne Strauss in July, it was announced Tuesday.

Strauss, a first-year student at the University of Virginia Law School, is the daughter of Bonnie Strauss Gould of Los Angeles and Benjamin Strauss of Haverford, Pa.

Kennedy, the ninth of 11 children of the Kennedys, is a second-year student at the Virginia Law School.

They plan a July wedding in Philadelphia.

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#90282u1710 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 9) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, saying his forces are armed with a new missile capable of striking ''evil targets'' hundreds of miles away warned Israel Tuesday to evacuate occupied Arab lands or face quick vengeance for the slayings of Palestinians in Jerusalem.

Shortly before the statement, a senior Palestinian guerilla leader said Saddam wants the Persian Gulf crisis resolved peacefully, provided the world links the solution to Israel's withdrawal from occupied Palestinian lands.

In Washington, State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said that a U.S.-chartered 747 will leave Wednesday for Basra, Iraq, to pick up an estimated 400 American citizens and their foreign-born family members. The plane will fly to London and then to Raleigh-Durham, N.C. on Thursday.

Baghdad Radio said Saddam's statement was read by an announcer on television and radio ''for the ears of Moslems around the world.'' It came a day after Israeli security forces killed at least 21 Arabs during rioting at a Moslem holy site in Jerusalem.

''Words or denunciations are not enough to heal the wounds of the captive Jerusalem,'' Saddam's statement said. ''What will heal the wounds is action to free (East Jerusalem) from (Israeli) captivity. ... Only quick action to revenge the Israeli massacres against the Palestinians can heal its wounds.''

Israel captured East Jerusalem in the 1967 war.

Arab diplomats called Saddam's statement an attempt to refocus world opinion from his 2-month-old occupation of Kuwait to the Arab-Israeli conflict.

''Saddam is in trouble over Kuwait ... so he is trying to exploit the Israeli

massacre of Palestinians in Jerusalem to shift world attention away from his occupation of Kuwait and onto the Arab-Israeli conflict,'' an envoy in Cairo said.

''Saddam knows he is isolated, so his threats are an attempt to win more support among Arabs and Moslems,'' the diplomat said.

President Bush insisted in Washington Tuesday that there is ''no relationship'' between the gulf crisis and the Palestinian question.

Baghdad Radio also quoted Saddam as saying Iraq had developed a new rocket that could strike targets several hundred miles away. Meanwhile, world oil prices soared to record highs with word of Saddam's threat of retaliation on Israel and his disclosure about the rocket.

''The Al Hijara missile, which the Iraqis have manufactured with God's help, can be launched from somewhere in Iraq (and) can reach the evil targets,'' Baghdad Radio said.

In an indication Saddam was threatening a military strike against Israel, he said, ''The only thing that is good enough for Arabs now is quick and clear action to force the (Israeli) occupiers to evacuate Arab lands and holy (Islamic) shrines.''

Addressing Israel, Saddam said, ''Blood will not make you able to maintain the land of Palestine and Arab holy shrines. ... It is better for you to evacuate, leaving our land and shrines before it is too late for you.''

The Egyptian news agency MENA said thousands of Iraqis gathered in Baghdad and elsewhere Tuesday to protest the killings in Israel and the presence of the U.S.-led multinational military force deployed in the Persian Gulf area following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

An estimated 25,000 people also gathered at the Baqa'a Palestinian refugee camp outside Amman, Jordan.

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#90282u1725 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	303.05	off	3.46
High Technology	290.44	off	6.30
Capital Goods	318.90	off	1.79
Consumer Goods	363.00	off	6.02
Service	663.08	off	17.15
Retail	835.52	off	14.87
Financial	356.89	up	2.25
Natural Resources	240.47	off	0.54

Housing-Const-Land 279.13 off 9.20

There was a loss of 11 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	389.74	off 3.75
Mid Atlantic	390.85	off 4.88
No Central	379.45	off 5.14
So Atlantic	825.15	off 17.87
So Central	298.01	off 3.63
Mountain	108.33	off 2.26
Pacific	335.87	off 7.45
Foreign	236.31	off 0.71

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#90282u1729 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 9) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Tuesday - 8,124,000

1990 to date - 1,949,940,000

The market closed sharply lower.

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#90282u1746 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	62 7-8	off 1
AT&T Company	31 7-8	off 3-4
BCE Inc	30 3-8	off 1-8
Bell Atlantic	48	off 1-2
BellSouth Corp	51 7-8	off 3-4
Exxon Corp	49 3-4	off 5-8
Ford Motors	31	off 1 3-4
Genl Electric	52 7-8	off 1 5-8
General Motors	35 5-8	off 1 7-8
GTE Corp	26 5-8	off 1 1-4
IBM Corp	105 5-8	off 3 7-8
Mobil Oil Corp	59 1-2	off 1 1-2
Nynex Corp	75 1-8	up 1-8
Pac Gas & Elec	22 5-8	off 1-8
Pacific Telesis	43 3-4	unch
Phila Electric	15 7-8	unch
Sears Roebuck	24 3-8	off 1 1-8
Southern Co	25	off 1-8
Sthwestern Bell	53	off 1 1-8
US West Inc	35 3-4	off 3-4

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NEW YORK (UPI) - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday.

Stock		$Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	56,560,500	30 1/4	off 2 1/2
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	54,594,280	40	up 3/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	53,137,960	63	off 3
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	35,979,200	32 7/8	off 1/8
SynOptic Comm	(SNPX)	31,236,472	20 3/4	off 2 3/4
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	28,901,416	28	off 1 1/8
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	27,585,700	17 5/8	up 1/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	26,002,022	28	off 2 1/4
Autodesk	(ACAD)	22,782,000	35 3/4	off 2 1/2
Price Co	(PCLB)	15,738,166	28 3/4	off 3/4

Composite Index 148.36 off 4.05

NMS volume 83,769,704 shares.

Advances	406
Declines	1,118
Unchanged	1,275
Total	2,799

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	35.40-35.50	33.80-33.85
North Sea Brent	41.60-41.70	39.75-39.80
West Texas Intermed	40.40-40.50	38.90-38.95
Light Louisiana Sweet	41.50-41.60	40.90-40.95
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	100.00-100.50	96.00-96.25
No. 2 Heating oil	104.40-104.65	101.35-101.50
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	95.60-95.65	91.50-91.75
No. 2 Heating oil	101.80-102.05	99.20-99.45

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	369.18	220.40	138.24	20.79	313.48
Opening	366.41	219.70	137.47	20.52	311.13
11 a.m.	364.93	220.12	137.42	20.50	310.11
Noon	364.44	219.70	137.34	20.47	309.71
1 p.m.	362.18	218.51	136.74	20.35	307.88
2 p.m.	363.20	218.55	136.99	20.37	308.66
3 p.m.	361.67	216.96	136.69	20.29	307.44
Close	358.67	216.45	136.09	20.14	305.10
Change	off 10.51	off 3.95	off 2.15	off 0.65	off 8.38

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#90282u1774 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.09	off 0.20
10 Public Utils	90.64	off 0.17
10 Industrials	87.54	off 0.24

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#90282u1776 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2493.81	2514.60	2437.87	2445.54	off 78.22
20 Trans	853.55	865.38	836.72	841.35	off 18.30
15 Utils	207.43	208.12	204.23	204.67	off 3.83
65 Stock	876.36	884.11	858.44	861.51	off 23.18

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Tuesday	Monday
Indus	18,754,400	10,726,600
Trans	2,762,100	2,559,000
Utils	2,258,000	1,510,600
65 Stock	23,774,500	14,796,200

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Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 130.80 off 0.77.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	226.00	226.00	219.80	221.00	228.90
Mar	....	....	....	223.40	231.40
Jun	....	....	....	226.40	234.40

Previous day volume: 19 contracts.

Open interest: 1,145 off 1

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	314.00	314.55	305.00	305.75	317.40
Mar	316.30	317.10	307.80	308.25	320.05
Jun	....	320.00	311.10	311.25	323.10

Today's estimated volume: 61,608 contracts.

Open interest: 150,916 up 205

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	171.80	172.20	166.70	167.20	173.70
Mar	173.20	173.25	168.15	168.50	175.10
Jun	174.70	174.70	174.70	169.80	176.50

Open interest: 4,725 off 263

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	522.00	523.50	506.00	507.35	527.10
Nov	521.00	523.00	507.00	507.50	527.00
Dec	522.90	525.00	509.00	509.15	529.00

Estimated volume 1,284 contracts.

Open interest: 8,370 up 96

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
OMI Corp	500,700	5 7/8	off 1/8
ENSCO	491,500	3 1/2	up 1/8
Paine W Gr wtB	480,500	9 7/8	up 1 3/8
BAT Indus	445,200	11 1-16	off 1/2
Denmark K wt	387,400	20 1/8	up 1 7/8
Salomon wt Jan	379,300	19 1/4	up 1 3/4
Salomon p wt May	302,000	4	up 5/8
Salomon p wt Mar	295,600	5 1/8	up 3/4
Salomon Phibro	281,100	3 3/4	unch
Corona Corp A	271,500	5 3/4	up 1/8

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(OCT. 9) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Tuesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5700	off 225
CapCiti/ABC	473	off 10 1/4
Household pfD	56	off 7 1/2
Motorola Inc	52 3/4	off 7
Eli Lilly wt	71 3/4	off 5 1/2
CBS Inc	165 5/8	off 4 1/2
IBM Corp	105 3/8	off 4 1/8
Matsushita El	138	off 4
Hitachi Ltd	92 3/4	off 4
Dillard Dept Str	72	off 3 3/4

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#90282u1804 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - U.S., British and Australian forces boarded and diverted an Iraqi tanker in the Arabian Sea that was carrying flour and rice, some of which apparently came from the United States via Jordan, the Pentagon said Tuesday.

The guided-missile destroyer USS Goldsborough, the British Royal Navy's HMS Brazen, and the Australian Royal Navy's HMAS Darwin shadowed the Iraqi tanker Tadmur and then took action in the north Arabian Sea Monday when the tanker refused to stop for inspection, the Pentagon said.

British Royal Marines slid down onto the tanker from ropes from helicopters

while U.S. Navy and Coast Guard forces used small boats to pull alongside the moving tanker and board it.

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said the tanker's pilot said he was headed to the Iraqi port of Basra, its home base.

The ship was diverted by the boarding party, however, when an inspection showed it to be carrying seven tons of rice and flour and 50 gallons of cooking oil, Williams said.

Later, a Pentagon spokesman said the markings on the bags of rice indicated that the rice had been grown in the United States and shipped to Jordan.

U.S. forces had intercepted the Tadmur once before, when it was approaching the Jordanian port of Aqaba. It was empty at the time and it was allowed to go on its way.

The Jordanian government has said it would abide by the U.N. sanctions against Iraq. The sanctions include all goods except food and medicine approved by the United Nations for humanitarian reasons.

The Pentagon declined to say where the U.S., British and Australian forces were taking the Tadmur.

Wiliams said there have been 2,060 interceptions of commercial vehicles in the region since the United States began enforcing U.N. sanctions against Iraq Aug. 17. Most of those were by radio contact.

There have been 218 boardings by all naval forces, and 172 of those were by the United States, he said.

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#90282u1806 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	339.11	off	9.03	356.39	484.14
Industrial	359.12	off	11.32	380.47	470.76
Finance	338.24	off	6.67	350.41	565.85
Insurance	392.12	off	7.89	416.56	549.01
Utility	477.76	off	9.60	491.62	785.10
Bank	250.53	off	2.19	255.26	477.94
Transport	380.74	off	6.83	399.95	484.34

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 339.11

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	148.37	off 4.04
Industrial Index	141.76	off 4.59
NASDAQ-100 Index	347.25	off 11.88

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#90282u1820 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (OCT. 9) UPI - Alaska oil producers announced plans Tuesday for a $1 billion project to increase production from America's biggest crude oil reservoir at Prudhoe Bay on Alaska's arctic coast.

The project will result in a 100,000-barrel a day increase in production by 1995 - equivalent to discovering a sizeable new oil field.

The announcement comes six weeks after the oil companies - responding to requests from the Bush administration in the wake of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait - said they would increase Alaska North Slope oil production by approximately 175,000 barrels a day by early next year.

The new plan for increased production - on top of what already was announced - comes at a time when North America's largest oil field was beginning a decline in production, mirroring the nationwide decline in crude production.

The announcement was made by British Petroleum and Arco, the two operators of the Prudhoe Bay field, and four other owners of Prudhoe Bay oil: Exxon, Phillips, Mobil and Chevron.

The $1 billion project will construct another natural gas handling plant at Prudhoe Bay. As the field ages, more gas comes up with the oil, but existing gas handling facilities already are operating at capacity.

With increased gas handling capability, the oil companies also will be able to reinject this gas into the ground, further pressurizing the reservoir and creating conditions that allow more oil to be pumped to the surface.

The August announcement of increased production was attributed partly to a gas handling plant just being completed when Iraq invaded Kuwait. That facility was designed to increase in production by 90,000 barrels a day by year's end.

But responding to Energy Department requests for even greater production, the companies said they would begin employing a drilling method known as ''fracturing'' to break apart deep oil-bearing rocks, freeing up another 50,000 barrels a day. Production also was being increased by about 25,000 barrels daily by bringing two other North Slope fields, Endicott and Kuparuk, up to capacity.

However, because the $1 billion gas handling plant construction announced Tuesday is a long-term project, it will offer no immediate relief in increasing the nation's oil supply or lowering gasoline prices.

Over the life of the Prudhoe Bay field, the gas handling project may increase recoverable oil by up to 450 million barrels.

The Prudhoe Bay field, the largest ever discovered in North America, holds about 22 billion barrels of oil, but oil companies have said they will be able to recover about half of that oil at best. By the start of this year, 6.5 billion barrels had been pumped out of Prudhoe Bay since oil began to flow down the 800-mile trans-Alaska pipeline to Valdez in 1977.

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#90282u1826 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

SANTA ANA, CA (OCT. 9) UPI - A doctor testified Tuesday that a woman hired by an infertile couple as a surrogate to carry their embryo should be considered the child's natural mother, despite genetic evidence to the contrary.

Dr. Michelle Harrison, a surrogate expert, told a Superior Court judge she counseled surrogate mother Anna L. Johnson via telephone on a number of occasions before and after Johnson gave birth to the child.

Johnson, 29, is seeking custody of the boy, born Sept. 19. She was paid $10,000 to carry the child for Mark and Crispina Calvert.

Harrison, an associate of the University of Pittsburgh's Center for Medical Ethics, was the first witness to testify at Tuesday's hearing, held before Orange County Superior Court Judge Richard Parslow to determine whether Johnson or the Calverts should rear the baby.

Since his birth, the boy has been living with the Calverts while Johnson, a single mother and licensed vocational nurse, has been granted visitation rights.

At the start of the hearing Tuesday, the Calverts' attorneys submitted DNA and blood tests as evidence that the couple is ''99.99 percent'' the boy's genetic parents, the lawyer, Christian Van Deusen, said.

But when asked to define a natural mother in medical terms, Harrison testified: ''A woman who gives birth, and that includes whether or not the child is of the same genetic origins.''

Harrison, who is an unpaid consultant for the National Coalition Against Surrogacy, also counseled Mary Beth Whitehead, the surrogate mother whose legal battle to keep the child she was paid to bear led to a landmark New

Jersey court decision in the so-called Baby M case.

However, that was a case in which Whitehead, who was eventually given visitation rights to the baby, had her own egg fertilized with the sperm of William Stern.

Johnson's case is also likely to make legal history because the judge will have to decide, in effect, whether a woman who gives birth to a child unrelated to her can call herself its mother.

Johnson filed her suit seeking parental rights while still pregnant. She claims the Calverts breached their contract with her by making late payments, and failing to adequately care for and buy life insurance for her and the baby.

Under questioning by one of Johnson's attorneys, Harrison said she and Johnson ''discussed her feelings of attachment and closeness for the baby she was carrying.''

Harrison, who has written on the psychological ramifications of surrogate motherhood, said that usually surrogates are torn between their devotion to the couple they are helping to have a child and the maternal feelings they have for the child they are carrying.

In Johnson's case, Harrison testified, her maternal feelings grew stronger after she felt abandoned by the Calverts.

But Van Deusen read part of a letter that Johnson wrote to the Calverts in July in which he said the surrogate gave the couple ''an ultimatum.''

''Once the baby is born, I'm free of this deal,'' Johnson's letter said. ''This situation can go two ways. One, you pay me the final sum early so I don't have to live on the street, or two, forget about helping me out, call it a breach of contract and not get the baby.''

Van Deusen argued that Johnson decided to keep the baby, and thereby became more attached to it, after failing to get a response from the Calverts.

When the baby was born slightly premature on Sept. 19, Johnson named the boy Matthew. The Calverts named him Christopher Michael.

The hearing was expected to continue into the week.

Last month, Johnson lost the right to have daily visits with the baby after the judge ruled that tension during her visits to the Calvert's home was harmful to the infant. The judge reduced Johnson's visits to twice weekly.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	348.17	338.55	339.11	off	9.03
Industrial	368.53	358.69	359.12	off	11.32
Finance	344.21	337.84	338.24	off	6.67
Insurance	398.02	391.60	392.12	off	7.89
Utility	484.77	475.17	477.76	off	9.60
Bank	253.34	249.51	250.53	off	2.19
Transport	386.89	380.41	380.74	off	6.83

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-9) 339.11

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	148.37	off	4.04
Industrial Index	141.76	off	4.59
NASDAQ-100 Index	347.25	off	11.88

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share	7.70	off	0.21
Volume	83,769,704 shares		
Advances	406		
Declines	1,118		
Unchanged	1,275		
Total	2,799		

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#90282u1837 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - The Pentagon released this list Tuesday of the eight missing Marines who were aboard the two UH Huey helicopters that disappeared in the Arabian Sea Monday. No hometowns were available:

Lance Cpl. Thomas R. Adams, 20, Baton Rouge County, La.

Capt. William D. Cronin Jr., 29, DuPage County, Ill.

Capt. Gary S. Dillon, 29, Merrimack County, N.H.

Capt. Kevin R. Dolvin, 29, Stark County, Ohio

Capt. William J. Hurley, 27, Cook County, Ill.

Sgt. Kenneth T. Keller, 26, Cook County, Ill.

Sgt. John R. Kilkus, 26, Norfolk County, Mass.

Cpl. Timothy W. Romei, 22, San Francisco County, Calif.

Also, the two airmen killed in the crash of an Alabama Air National Guard RF-4C Phantom jet in the southern Arabian peninsula Monday were identified as Maj. Barry K. Henderson, 40, Tuscumbia, Ala., and Maj. Stephen Schramm, 43, Birmingham, Ala.

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#90282u1849 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (OCT. 9) UPI - Former pilots and flight attendants from bankrupt Braniff Inc. have been recruited by the company that bought Braniff's name to staff charter flights from Miami to Central America, according to a former flight attendant, a union official and others.

The crews are being hired to operate flights under the authority of another bankrupt carrier - Emerald Air Inc. of Houston - using two Boeing 727 jets, said flight attendant Jerrie Holden and an employee of Emerald Air.

The connection between BN Air Inc., the company that bought Braniff's trademark, and Emerald Air was not clear, although a union official said he understood the same investors own both companies.

Ben Elliott, a bargaining representative at the Association of Flight Attendants, said Tuesday the new Braniff recruited 18 former Braniff pilots, and would need at least 30 flight attendants for the charter operation.

Although the AFA claims the right to represent attendants hired at the new Braniff, the union has no jurisdiction over non-union Emerald, Elliott said.

BN Air bought the Braniff trademark and other property in April for $313,000 with the intention of launching Braniff International Airlines Inc. Officials at the new Braniff did not respond to requests for comment.

The airline, based in Dallas, is seeking a certificate to operate from the Federal Aviation Administration, said O.D. Brown, manager of the FAA office at the Dallas-Fort Worth airport.

The company also is seeking to amend Emerald's certificate to allow the use of Boeing 727s, according to Brown and other FAA officials.

''There is work afoot here to add airplanes to Emerald's certificate. ... We are right in the very beginning of (that process),'' said John Fodermaier, an FAA official in San Antonio. ''They are training pilots and flight attendants right now.''

Refresher classes for flight attendants began Thursday in Texas, said Holden.

Pilot classes began earlier. ''They were calling everybody,'' said Holden. ''We were called back with an invitation to go back to work for Emerald.''

Jim Exum, a flight inspector for Emerald, said Tuesday that charter flights could begin later this month from Miami. Likely destinations include the Bahamas, El Salvador and Guatemala, although ''there is nothing in marble,'' he said.

The new Braniff - the third airline to use the Braniff name - is headed by executives from bankrupt Braniff Inc. of Orlando, Fla..

Braniff Inc., the successor to Braniff International, the Dallas airline that filed for bankruptcy in 1982, filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection itself on Sept. 28, 1989. At the time, Braniff employed about 4,800 people.

BN Air was formed by Jeffrey Chodorow, a Philadelphia developer who was a vice president and major stockholder of Braniff Inc. Scot Spencer, the airline's president, served as a consultant to Braniff Inc.'s parent company.

Elliott said he understood that Chodorow and Arthur Cohen, a director of the new Braniff, had purchased Emerald, which was operating in bankruptcy.

Officials at the new Braniff previously said the company planned domestic service at Dallas-Fort Worth, Washington, New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco Las Vegas and St. Louis. The status of those plans was not known.

Braniff Inc. operated hubs in Orlando and Kansas City, Mo.

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#90282u1853 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	109,583,400
Advances	492
Declines	1,386
Unchanged	2,359
Total	4,237

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(OCT. 9) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	9.13	N/A	8.91
91-day Treasury bills	7.41	7.28	7.63
182-day Treasury bills	7.56	7.44	7.64

1-year Treasury bills	7.60	7.50	7.52
3-year Treasury notes	8.08	7.97	8.07
7-year Treasury notes	8.69	8.53	8.09
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.97	8.79	8.01
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.40	9.28	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.96	9.85	9.07
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.28	9.14	8.98
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.54	9.37	9.04
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.60	9.43	9.23
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.58	9.47	9.22

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	3	23	13
New lows	195	108	81

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	291	15,473,200
Declines	1,308	122,535,200
Unchanged	380	7,601,600
Total	1,979	145,610,000

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#90282u1873 10/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	170.46	167.41	167.41	off 4.24
Industrial	212.19	207.92	207.92	off 1.73
Transport	133.50	131.44	131.44	off 2.54
Utility	87.15	86.33	86.33	off 1.31
Finance	110.31	108.45	108.45	off 2.98

Equivalent to a loss of 74 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 145,610,000 shares.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 9) UPI - Directors of UAL Corp. Tuesday unanimously rejected two scaled-down buyout proposals by United Airlines employees and terminated their merger agreement with the employee group.

A UAL spokesman said the merger agreement was terminated because the employee group - United Employee Acquisition Corp. - failed to arrange financing for the original $4.4 billion, $201-a-share buyout.

''We firmly believe that the interests of both UAL shareholders and employees would be well-served by the company aggressively moving forward with its highly successful strategic plan and taking advantage of its position of strength in a time of difficulty for the airline industry,'' the board said in a statement.

The company said the employee group presented a revised acquisition proposal but that the value, while uncertain, was considerably below the $4.4 billion offer accepted by the board last April.

UEAC said it presented two alternative proposals to the board. The employee group set the value of one at $205 a share and of the other at $203.

But both alternative proposals reduced the amount of cash to paid to stockholders.

The $205-a-share offer included just $70 in cash, and the $203-a- share proposal provided no cash at all. The $201-a-share offer accepted by UAL directors in April provided $150 a share in cash.

The board, facing potential labor problems with its three unions as a result of the buyout's failure, asked federal mediators to resume expedited mediation of new contracts for pilots and flight attendants.

Directors also said UAL is prepared to resume negotiations with the International Association of Machinists.

All three unions have been working under expired contracts while pursuing the buyout - which would have made UAL the world's largest employee-owned company. The unions - and particularly the Air Line Pilots' Association - have indicated they will seek major improvements in wages and benefits.

''Since pilots are further along in negotiations, we are offering to have any issues remaining unresolved at the conclusion of expedited mediation with ALPA resolved by a neutral and independent arbitrator,'' the board statement said.

Tha board also instructed UAL management to proceed with the company's previously announced plan for a major order of new widebody jets - a contract to be worth $10 billion to $15 billion.

UAL was prepared to award the widebody contract earlier this year but agreed to delay the order at the request of UAEC Chairman Gerald Greenwald, who hoped to use the lucrative contract as leverage in efforts to get suppliers to help finance the buyout.

UAL stock was up more than $2 at around noon Tuesday when the New York Stock Exchange halted trading in UAL in anticipation of the board's announcement. The stock reopened sharply lower and closed at $88 - down $3.25.

Directors Tuesday expressed unanimous support for UAL management and for Chairman Stephen Wolf, whom the employee group planned to replace if the buyout succeeded.

''This is a time of unique opportunity to continue to build United Airlines - to build our fleet, to build market share, to build domestic and international presence, to build jobs and job security and, fundamentally, to build real value for shareholders,'' Wolf said after Tuesday's board meeting.

The board statement said the employee buyout was doomed by current economic conditions despite extraordinary efforts by eveyone involved, but that future offers by UEAC or others would be considered.

Greenwald expressed regret at the board's decision.

''Our latest proposals - and the valuable employee concessions to finance them - will remain available briefly for consideration,'' Greebwald said.

''The three unions are working under open contracts and must now return to traditional tade union activities while continuing to pursue employee ownership,'' Greenwald said.

The UAL board accepted the $4.4 billion, $201-a-share buyout bid from UEAC April 9, giving the employee group until Aug. 9 to get financing and until Dec. 9 to complete the buyout.

The financing deadline was extended until Tuesday after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, but the impact of soaring oil prices on the airline industry made financing unavailable at the $4.4 billion price. An attempt to put together a revised offer at $3.7 billion - also with about $150 a share in cash -

collapsed last weekend when the four lead banks withdrew support.

Analysts said it was unlikely any third party would mount a bid for UAL anytime soon.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - Surging oil prices and interest rates combined with more saber-rattling from Iraq to drag the Dow industrials to their second-biggest loss of the year Tuesday.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 13.12 Monday, plunged 78.22 to 2445.54 - a drop of over 3 percent. The selloff was even more pronounced in the over-the-counter market, where a key index hit its lowest close since January 1988.

The Dow's loss was the biggest loss of the year after a 93-point tumble on Aug. 6 and the 11th-worst day ever, after an 86-point slide Sept. 11, 1986.

Analysts said a late bout of computerized program selling exacerbated the fall - despite a triggering of the exchange's rule curbing program selling when the Dow falls more than 50 points. They said investors were lured to buy relatively underpriced stock-index futures, prompting the sale of the underlying issues.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index sank 4.24 to 167.41 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index plunged 8.38 to 305.10. The price of an average share tumbled 74 cents.

Declines pummeled advances 1,308-289 among the 1,979 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume was 145,610,000 shares, up from 99,470,000 traded Monday.

Stocks fell steadily from the opening bell, taking their cue from declines in the London and Tokyo markets. But analysts agreed the New York market's downfall Tuesday was sparked by a surge in oil prices spurred by renewed threats from Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. His remarks also served to spark asharp rise in interest rates and a resulting selloff in the bond market.

Saddam, saying his forces are armed with a new missile capable of striking ''evil targets'' hundreds of miles away, warned Israel Tuesday to evacuate occupied Arab lands or face retaliation for the slayings of Palestinians in Jerusalem. The news sent the benchmark U.S. crude soaring to a record high of $40.40 a barrel, up $1.45 on the day.

Since oil prices are an indicator of inflation, the record prices for crude sent bond prices tumbling 1 23/32 points and pushed interest rates on them bakc up to near 9 percent, again making Treasury bonds a very attractive

alternative to stocks, analysts said.

''This has refocused the financial markets on the Mideast from the budget follies,'' said Hugh Johnson, chief economist at First Albany Corp. in Albany, N.Y. ''The decline in bonds was particularly acute. They weren't in a free fall but looked close to it.''

Johnson said the combination of concerns about the Mideast and declines in bonds was just too much for stocks to manage, especially after an attemptedrally Monday sputtered.

''It looked yesterday like we had the conditions to rally, but the failure of the rally yesterday was really demoralizing,'' he said. ''Investors thought this (the recent rise in the market) was a tradeable rally but now they've moved to the sidelines. The light volume shows a move into things like cash and bonds.''

Days like Tuesday only serve to solidify what Johnson called investors' ''disenchantment with the market. It's becoming tougher with every day to interest investors in the market. Nobody wants to touch it, it's like a hot potato and it's hard to see what could turn it.''

On the trading floor, Motorola was the most active issue, plunging 7 to 52 3/4 after reporting third-quarter earnings sharply below analysts' estimates.

Travelers followed, down 1 3/8 to 13, on persistent worries about the company's finances. The insurance company unveiled a plan Monday designed to preserve its capital and shore up its real estate portfolio.

Philip Morris was third, down 1 7/8 to 45 5/8.

Among other blue chips, AT&T lost 3/4 to 31 7/8 and IBM plunged 4 1/8 to 105 3/8 after reports saying the company doesn't plan to introduce a new laptop computer until next year.

In addition, General Electric sank 1 5/8 to 52 7/8 and Eastman Kodak tumbled to a 52-week low, down 2 3/4 to 35 1/4. Merck skidded 3 1/4 to 75 1/8, Sears slumped 1 1/4 to 24 1/4, General Motors sank 2 to 35 5/8 and Coca-Cola gave up 1 3/4 to 41.

Kidder, Peabody was said to cut earnings estimates for Sears, citing higher casualty losses at its Allstate unit.

Elsewhere, UAL closed down 3 1/4 to 88 after a trading halt at midday, when the company announced that directors had unanimously rejected a scaled-down buyout bid by United Airlines employees and terminated their merger agreement with the employee group. The board did say, though, future offers by the employees or others would be considered.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 175,997,170 shares, compared with 123,622,700 shares traded Monday.

Prices were sharply lower in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index sank 3.46 to 303.05. Declines led advances 401-158 among the 770 issues traded. The price of an average share lost 11 cents. Composite volume was 13,543,900 shares vs. 9,764, 200 traded Monday.

OMI Corp. led the Amex issues, off 1/8 to 5 7/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index slid 9.03 to 339.11, its lowest level since January 1988.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - Saudi Foreign Minister Saud Al-Faiaal met with President Bush Tuesday and said they both deplored the killing of 21 Moslems in Jerusalem.

Wearing the traditional Arab robes, Saud, who conferred with Bush for 30 minutes in the Oval Office, told reporters afterward, ''We reviewed the situation in the (Persian) gulf and the deplorable incident that happened in in Jerusalem.

''I can say that both our countries deplored this incident and also that this increases our resolve to work together and cooperate in finalizing and ending the crisis in the gulf so that the international community can turn and both our countries can turn to the issues of peace and stability in the Middle East and by that I mean resolving the Palestinian question,'' he declared.

During a picture taking session, Saud said the gulf problem can be settled diplomatically if Iraq withdraws from Kuwait and the legitimacy of that government is restored.

After the Arab leader departed, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said in a written statement that Bush asked Saud to convey to King Fahd U.S. assurances of ''continued commitment to ending Iraq's occupation of Kuwait and the restoration of the legitimate government of Kuwait.''

In turn, Fitzwater conveyed Saudi Arabia's pleasure with the support it has received from the United States and the international community in opposing Iraqi aggression.

He said both Bush and Saud agreed ''on the importance of economic sanctions as

a means of achieving a peaceful solution of the crisis.''

''They also shared their concern over Iraq's brutal behavior against Kuwait and the Kuwaiti people,'' he added.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - The dollar moved mostly lower in New York trading Tuesday in an increasingly bearish atmosphere created by the inability of the White House and Congress to move decisively on budgetary reforms.

Foreign-exchange traders said the market also was roiled by volatile dealings in the British pound, which was still trying to find its own level following the currency's entry Monday into the European exchange rate grid.

One dealer called the dollar's fall a ''psychological response to the fact that the (Bush) administration is losing prestige'' because of its inability to bring a deficit-reduction package intact through Congress.

''It's not even a wait-and-see attitude right now,'' the trader said, referring to deep market scepticism about the budget situation in Washington.

Late in the New York session, the dollar traded at 1.5230 German marks, down from 1.5320 Monday, setting yet another in a series of new postwar lows. The dollar was fetching 130.20 Japanese yen, off from 130.40.

John Lyman, a Bank of Tokyo senior customer dealer, said a ''damned- if-you-do damned-if-you-don't syndrome'' was gripping the currency market.

He meant that credible budget legislation, which would likely bring down short-term U.S. interest rates, would weaken the dollar. But another failure of the budget talks, causing m,ore economic disarray, would also hurt it.

Barry O'Sullivan, mark dealer with Union Bank of Switzerland, said the market was focused heavily on the pound, still testing its strength as a new member of the European Monetary System's exchange rate mechanism, or ERM.

''In sterling, it's a real crapshoot,'' Sullivan said. ''Anything could happen here.'' Against the key German currency, sterling was quoted at 3.00 marks, off from 3.0150 Monday. The ERM par rate is 2.95.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2735 Swiss francs, off from 1.2790; 5.0990 French francs, off from 5.1300; and 1,143.50 off from 1,147 Italian lire.

The pound slipped to $1.9725 from $1.9760.

In Europe, the dollar weakened against all key currencies on expectations of

lower U.S. interest rates and on renewed Persian Gulf tensions.

The stopgap measure to end the U.S. budget crisis could well pave the way for a Federal Reserve cut in short-term rates, analysts said. The dollar was also hurt by President Saddam Hussein's Iraqi radio broadcast, in which he demanded Israel leave Arab lands. This helped send the price of oil past $40 a barrel.

Euphoria over the pound's entry into the European Community's ERM evaporated. Predictions the pound would rise to the ceiling of its ERM band, 3.13 German marks, were disappointed.

The pound closed slightly higher at $1.9720 vs. $1.9705 Monday.

Pound rates were ''quite stable,'' said Alan Chase, head of strategic dealing at National Westminster Bank. ''I suppose that's ultimately what the government was hoping for when we went into the ERM.''

Chase said that the dollar would head lower, sinking below 1.50 German marks, and that the pound would soon top the $2 level.

Other analysts said there was hesistation about whether the pound should be pushed higher within the ERM. ''Now that it's over and done with, people don't know what to do,'' said Mike Holland of Barclays de Zoete Wedd.

The U.S. unit declined in Frankfurt, to 1.5255 German marks vs. Monday's 1.5340, and in Zurich, to 1.2760 Swiss francs vs. 1.2850.

The dollar also fell in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively: 5.1185 French francs vs. 5.1375, 31.38 Belgian francs vs. 31.55 and 1, 146.56 lire vs. 1150.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar lost just 0.10 yen against Japan's currency but closed below 130 yen for the first time since March 15, 1989, ending at 129.95 yen vs. 130.05 Monday.

Gold moved up in both Zurich, to $395.50 an ounce vs. $392.50, and London, to $395 an ounce vs. $392.25.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $390.50 an ounce, off from $395.25 Monday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $389.70 an ounce, down from $394.90.

Silver closed higher in Zurich at $4.70 an ounce vs. $4.65 but was lower in London at $4.68 an ounce vs. $4.69.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.615 an ounce, off from $4.69. Comex silver closed at $4.593 an ounce, down from $4.67.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Tuesday was 423.24, off 2.44 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90282u1969 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
FAIRFIELD, Conn. (OCT. 9) UPI - New York Yankees outfielder Mel Hall faces possible fines for keeping two wild cougar cubs at his suburban home.

But animal rights activists Tuesday demanded Hall be charged with cruelty to animals and made an example of to halt the national trade in exotic pets.

Police and agents from the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection confirmed Hall was arrested last Saturday on a warrant. He was charged with two counts each of possessing potentially dangerous animals and importing wild animals without a permit.

DEP Sergeant Thomas Daniels says the animals were seized from Hall in July following an anonymous tip. He says they were in good condition and taken to a children's zoo. Daniels says the animals were shipped from Florida and federal officials are investigating the breeder.

Daniels says Hall will eventually appear in Bridgeport Superior Court and pay unspecified fines unless he fights the charges.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - President Bush says he might allow some tax rates to rise if Congress agrees to cut capital gains taxes. Bush and Congress have long been at odds over capital gains, but they came together today to pass a stop-gap spending bill that ended a three-day government shutdown.

Searchers found floating debris from two U-S Marine helicopters that disappeared in the North Arabian Sea yesterday with eight crewmen aboard. A Pentagon official says rescuers recovered the helmet of one of the crewmen. It's unlikely any of them survived the crashes.

The Marine Corps has declared Lieutenant Colonel William Higgins dead and scheduled a memorial service for November 4th at Quantico, Virginia. Higgins was kidnapped by Moslem extremists in Lebanon in February 1987. He had been officially listed as missing in action after his Moslem kidnappers released a

videotape in July 1989 of a hanged man they said was Colonel Higgins.

Iraq's Saddam Hussein says his country has developed a new rocket that could strike targets several hundred miles away. Saddam also warned Israel to leave occupied Arab lands or face quick vengeance for the slayings of 21 Arabs in Jerusalem.

In the Philippines, the Congress today approved a bill increasing penalties for rebellion and making a coup attempt a crime punishable by life in prison. The swift action came on the heels of an uprising on Mindanao that was crushed last week.

10 truck loads of emergency food supplies arrived in drought-stricken areas of southern Angola today. The shipments are part of an unprecedented international relief operation to aid civilians caught in the long-running civil war.

A circuit court judge in Broward County, Florida, today refused to disqualify the judge hearing the obscenity case against the rap group 2 Live Crew. Judge June Johnson had refused to remove herself from the case because she is a former student of the rap group's head attorney. Jury selection is under way.

Composer Leonard Bernstein is retiring from conducting because of progressive emphysema that has made it too strenuous for him to continue. A spokeswoman for the 72-year-old Bernstein says he was advised to give up both conducting and performing at the piano by his doctor. Bernstein was a heavy smoker for many years.

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OAKLAND, Calif. (OCT. 9) UPI - Willie Randolph, playing because of an injury to Walt Weiss, delivered two RBI singles Tuesday and Terry Steinbach scored a run by knocking the ball out of catcher Tony Pena's glove, moving the Oakland Athletics within one victory of a third straight World Series with a 4-1 decision over the Boston Red Sox.

Randolph capped a two-run fourth inning and prolonged a two-run sixth, rallying Oakland to a 3-0 lead in the best-of-seven American League playoff. With a victory in Game 4 Wednesday (3:15 p.m. EDT), Oakland can wrap up its second playoff sweep of Boston in three years.

Mike Moore, who lost three of his last four regular-season decisions, allowed one run in six innings, shrugging off Tom Brunansky's second- inning sacrifice fly to notch his fourth triumph in as many postseason starts. Mike Boddicker took the loss.

Dennis Eckersley pitched the ninth for his second save of the series and his

sixth in Oakland's last seven playoff victories over Boston.

Never has a major-league club rebounded from a 3-0 deficit to take a postseason series. Such a rally seems all the more improbable against Oakland, which has outscored Boston 17-3 in the three games.

Oakland has set a major-league mark with 20 league championship series victories. It has also won nine straight postseason games, while Boston has lost a record seven straight in the playoffs.

Randolph's contributions illustrated the club's depth, while Steinbach's charge symbolized the beating that Boston has absorbed.

Randolph, whose first playoff experience came 15 years ago with the Pittsburgh Pirates, started neither of the first two games. But with Weiss out at shortstop with a knee injury, he played second base with Mike Gallego switching to short.

The adjustments made virtually no difference. For the third straight game, Boston took a 1-0 lead, only to be overtaken and then buried in the later innings. Oakland even managed to turn a Red Sox defensive gem into an edge.

With Oakland holding a 2-1 lead in the sixth, Boston shortstop Luis Rivera committed an error on Harold Baines' grounder to the hole. Left fielder Mike Greenwell leapt against the left-field wall to rob Mark McGwire, but Baines alertly tagged and took second.

Dave Henderson was hit by a pitch and Steinbach forced Henderson. Randolph singled in Baines and, with Gallego batting, Oakland attempted a double steal. Though beaten by five feet and with Pena in position to defend the plate, Steinbach ran over the catcher.

Another embarrassment occurred in the eighth when, with Henderson on first, Boddicker pitched from a windup, leading to an easy steal of second.

Boston took a 1-0 lead in the second. With one out, Greenwell walked and Dwight Evans lined a hit-and run single. Brunansky lifted a sacrifice fly.

Oakland failed to capitalize when Boddicker hit McGwire to lead off the second. But Boddicker walked Jose Canseco opening the fourth and, this time, the A's pounced for a 2-1 lead.

Baines singled to right, moving Canseco to second. With the runners moving, McGwire struck out on a full count and the Red Sox should have had a double play. But Pena threw low to third and Wade Boggs could not come up with the ball.

Instead of having two out and a runner on second, the A's had second and third

with one out. Dave Henderson used the extra out to lift a sacrifice fly to right, and Randolph followed by singling home Baines.

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SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (OCT. 9) UPI - El Salvador will produce the same amount of coffee this year as it did in 1989, despite being on the down side of the crop's two-year cycle, the Salvadoran Coffee Council's director said Tuesday.

''The harvest will be the same as last year,'' said Ruben Ernesto Pineda, head of the country's coffee council.

Pineda said coffee's natural two-year cycle typically creates a variation of about 10 percent from one harvest to the next. ''If we can maintain last year's harvest, then we are doing well,'' Pineda said.

El Salvador produced 2.7 million sacks, each weighing 60 kilograms, in the 1989-1990 harvest.

The council's estimate for the 1990-1991 harvest is based on a survey of coffee growers.

Pineda said that he did not have a firm figure for the increased acreage planted with coffee this season but that bank reports show increases of 52 percent in credit for the purchase of fertilizers and 40 percent for certified seed.

Deputy Agriculture Minister Jaime Salazar recently told reporters he thought the coffee crop could be restored within a few years to the levels of production that existed before the nation's bloody civil war began in 1979.

El Salvador, which produces about 2.5 percent of the world's coffee, harvested a record 3.4 million sacks in 1977-1978.

Coffee brings in close to 60 percent of the country's foreign exchange and accounts for close to a quarter of tax revenues.

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NEW YORK (UPI-FNNPRO) - A depressed market environment and lack of fresh news about merger talks between MCA Inc. and Matsushita Electric Industrial Ltd. teamed up to depress the stock of the California-based entertainment conglomerate, analysts said Tuesday.

''It is a difficult market climate and in this contest no news is bad news,''

said Edward Hatch, an analyst at Nomura Research Institute. ''The stock went up quickly last week and now is is retreating on the absence of new developments.''

On the New York Stock Exchange, MCA closed down $2.50 to $56.375 a share. MCA's stock soared above $64 a share a week ago when the two companies confirmed they were involved in negotiations.

Analysts have said the MCA stock could trade in the $75- to $90-a- share range if the merger, whose value was estimated between $6 billion and $7.3 billion, goes through. Some analysts have placed a value of more than $8.5 billion on the deal because glamorous entertainment stocks often carry a premium.

In Universal City, Calif., MCA executives declined to comment on the current status of the negotiations with Japan's largest electronics concern.

''The last thing we said was that talks were taking place. We are not releasing any other information,'' an MCA spokesman said.

The two companies had said they will not issue any news until the negotiations reach a conclusion - either way.

''The longer the talks take place with no news being released, the more nervous investors are,'' said David Presson, an analyst at Edward D. Jones. ''The longer the talks, the more questions investors have about the possible stumbling blocks for the deal to actually take place.''

One of the main obstacles is the diversity of MCA's businesses, spanning real estate to record production to movies and broadcast. Beside making the deal more complex, the array of MCA's businesses has weakened the company's performance this year amid a sluggish economy.

''This year is not a very good year for MCA,'' said Harold Vogel, analyst at Merrill Lynch Research.

''The earnings projection for the year is about $2.45, down from $2.62 last year,'' he said. ''What pushed the stock up was merger speculation and the market now has its doubts.''

Vogel pointed out that MCA's Cineplex movie division has not been doing as well as expected.

''The daily bet on the market is that investors are not very confident,'' he said.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - ALCS BOX SCORE

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Reed 2b	4	0	0	0	RHendrsn lf	4	0	1	0
Quintana 1b	4	0	0	0	Lansford 3b	3	0	0	0
Boggs 3b	4	0	2	0	Canseco rf	3	1	0	0
Burks cf	4	0	1	0	Baines dh	3	2	1	0
Greenwell lf	3	1	0	0	McGwire 1b	3	0	0	0
Evans dh	4	0	2	0	DHendrsn cf	2	0	1	1
Brunnsky rf	3	0	0	1	Steinbach c	3	1	0	0
Pena c	4	0	3	0	Randolph 2b	4	0	2	2
Kutcher pr	0	0	0	0	Gallego ss	3	0	1	0
Rivera ss	2	0	0	0					
Marshall ph	1	0	0	0					
Barrett 2b	0	0	0	0					
Heep ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	34	1	8	1	Totals	28	4	6	3

Boston	010	000	000-1
Oakland	000	202	00x-4

E-Boddicker, Rivera, Pena. DP-Boston 1.
LOB-Boston 8, Oakland 7. 2B-Boggs. SB-
Canseco (2), Baines (1), D. Henderson (1).
CS-Randolph, R. Henderson. S-Lansford. SF-Brunansky, D. Henderson.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Boddicker (L 0-1)	8	6	4	2	3	7
Oakland						
Moore (W 1-0)	6	4	1	1	1	5
Nelson	1 2-3	3	0	0	0	0
Honeycutt	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Eckersley (S 2)	1	1	0	0	0	1

HBP-McGwire by Boddicker; D. Henderson by Boddicker.
Umpires-Home, Evans; 1b, Cooney; 2b,
Voltaggio; 3b, McCoy; Lf, Garcia; Rf, Hirschbeck.
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#90282u2050 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (OCT. 9) UPI - A federal judge convicted former FBI agent Richard Miller Tuesday of passing secrets to his Soviet lover in a case involving the only FBI agent ever charged with espionage.

In convicting Miller, U.S. District Court Judge Robert Takasugi said the former agent had been duped by the woman, a KGB operative, in a maverick plot to pose as a double agent that backfired.

''Mr. Miller did at one time intend to use (Svetlana Ogorodnikova) as an asset of the FBI and retire from the FBI in a blaze of glory,'' Takasugi said.

But Ogorodnikova ''dangled money (and) provided sex at a time when she was fully aware that Mr. Miller was plagued with pressing and immediate problems relating to his personal finances, his weight, ... his employment, his crumbling marriage and his ex-communication from (the Mormon church),'' Takasugi said.

''In a battle of wills, Mr. Miller finally succumbed, begrudgingly perhaps, ... (and) eventually compromised his obligations to the FBI'' and betrayed the United States, the judge found.

Miller, 53, was found guilty of all six espionage and bribery counts against him. He now faces a maximum of life in prison when he is sentenced Jan. 7. Takasugi permitted him to remain free on bail, against the recommendation of prosecutors.

The heavy-set Miller appeared shocked by the verdict and said he was ''dumbfounded.''

''I didn't expect this outcome. I really didn't,'' Miller said.

The verdict came at the end of Miller's third trial on charges he passed classified documents to the Soviets through Ogorodnikova.

The case has been an embarrassment to the FBI.

''It was a sad day for me (when Miller was arrested in 1984) and it's a sad day for me now,'' Lawrence Lawler, head of the FBI office Los Angeles, said. ''I'm not gleeful we have a conviction.''

Lawler said the FBI, in assessing the harm done to national security by Miller's actions, found that ''there was damage done'' and that ''the potential for continuing damage was incalcuable.''

Consistent with portrayals of Miller in the earlier trials, prosecutors in the past seven weeks have characterized him as a bumbler who was smitten by Ogorodnikova.

Miller's own attorneys portrayed him as a Ralph Kramden, the bus driver in the once-popular television series, ''The Honeymooners.''

In closing arguments Tuesday, defense attorney Leonard Levine said, ''My client is not a perfect man. He was probably more or less a bad agent.''

Levine, however, said Miller was not a spy.

The lawyer said no decision had been made on whether to appeal the conviction.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Adam Schiff said the long prosecution was ''worth the effort and the expense of doing it.''

During the trial, Schiff attempted to show that, in 1984, Miller passed an FBI intelligence manual to Ogordonikova, with whom he was having an adulterous affair and who he believed was an agent of the Soviet KGB.

Much of the prosecution's evidence stemmed from Miller's own admissions to FBI agents during several days of interrogations following his arrest.

Lust, boredom and the desire to make a ''quick buck'' to provide for his wife and eight children motivated Miller to betray his country, Schiff said at the outset of trial.

Schiff said Ogorodnikova promised Miller $50,000 in gold, $15,000 in cash and a Burberry trenchcoat - none of which he apparently received - for the secret information and other valuable material he could provide the Soviet Union.

Miller, who claims he is innocent, has never testified as his trials.

He has long maintained that he became involved with Ogorodnikova in an attempt to revive his failing FBI career by infilitrating the KGB. He has also said he never gave secret documents to the Soviets during his 20 years at the FBI, despite his admissions to the contrary.

His defense in the latest trial presented evidence that Miller suffers from physical disorders that could have affected him during the intense interrogation period.

One of the disorders is auditory dyslexia, a hearing impairment that affects one's ability to understand verbal and other communications. Miller also suffers from apnea, a condition that disrupts the sleeping patterns of overweight people.

After his first trial ended with a hung jury in 1985, Miller was convicted by a second jury in June 1986, but the conviction was reversed by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeal, which ruled that U.S. District Court Judge David Kenyon permitted too much testimony about lie detector tests that Miller failed.

Miller was jailed for five years until being released on bail after his

conviction was overturned. He requested that his third trial be without a jury.

In rare interview last year, Miller said that sexual indiscretion and his ''own stupidity'' was his personnal and professional downfall.

''The thing I tried to do with Svetlana ... was probably the stupidest thing I've ever done,'' he said.

Ogorodnikova pleaded guilty to espionage conspiracy in 1984 and was sentenced to 18 years in prison. Her husband was convicted of lesser charges and served five years.

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DALLAS (OCT. 9) UPI - More than one-third of U.S. family doctors report they have treated at least one patient infected with the deadly AIDS virus, a survey showed Tuesday.

''In many ways, AIDS is just another disease as the family physician approaches it,'' Dr. Ronald Goldschmidt, director of Family Practice Inpatient Service at San Francisco General Hospital, told a meeting of the American Academy of Family Physicians.

A recent survey of the medical society's members found 40 percent of those questioned currently are treating at least one person infected with the AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, he said. Some are the patient's only physician, others are part of a team of doctors.

''By next year, I trust these figures will be substantially greater,'' Goldschmidt said.

Goldschmidt warned the doctors to be particularly alert to the growth of the disease in the heterosexual population and in babies.

Although the rate of HIV-infection in the homosexual population has slowed due to increased awareness and use of safe sex practices, the opposite is true in the heterosexual population.

''AIDS is not an equal opportunity disease, it's hitting members of the poor and minority communities in an unequal and potentially devastating way,'' he said.

A person can be infected by the HIV virus long before contracting the opportunistic infections of AIDS, he said. Researchers believe that the time between infection and full-blown AIDS averages 11 years.

''The good news is that if one is infected, one has a long time before illness

occurs,'' he said. ''On the other hand, it means there is a long time when people may be asymptomatic and pass on this disease.''

HIV is spread through sexual and blood-to-blood contact, such as intravenous drug users sharing needles. The virus can also be passed on from an infected woman to her baby.

Although AIDS is regarded as a fatal disorder, drugs can delay the onset of the opportunistic infections associated with AIDS and prolong patients' lives.

In addition to risk factors like drug use or multiple sex partners, Goldschmidt said doctors shouldo be aware that the high-risk group includes people who received blood transfusions between 1978, when HIV is thought to have entered the nation's blood supply, and 1985, when a test to detect HIV became widely available for routine screening.

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (OCT. 9) UPI - Students at Harvard Law School rallied Tuesday in support of a growing boycott of 17 law firms which have been denounced by the AFL-CIO for ''union-busting'' activities.

Several dozen sign-carrying protesters set up a picket line outside Pound Hall as one of the firms arrived on campus to begin recruiting students from the nation's most prestigious law school.

The demonstrators urged fellow students to sign cards pledging not to join any of the 17 firms, which they said specialize in advising companies on ways to decertify existing unions and prevent workers from joining new ones.

''At its heart, this campaign is about a people's right to organize for rights '' said Marta Wagner, a member of the Harvard Labor Law Project, which organized the demonstration.

The protest is part of a national campaign by pro-labor law students which began last month at Georgetown University in Washington.

''In contrast to other firms who represent management, these firms rarely negotiate contracts,'' the Labor Law Project said. ''Instead, they act to prevent workers from forming unions or they seek to destroy exisitng unions.''

Harvard Law Professor Derrick Bell, who has previously criticized the lack of female and minority faculty members at the school, is supporting the boycott.

Bell, Harvard's first tenured black law professor, said in a letter to law students nationwide that the 17 firms ''represent a serious threat'' to the process of collective bargaining and urged them not to interview with

recruiters for ''union-busting law firms.''

In a separate demonstration Tuesday, about 150 Harvard law students rallied on campus and then marched to the nearby Charles Hotel to protest the presence of a recruiter for Chicago-based Baker & McKenzie, one of the nation's largest law firms.

The protesters, who were objecting to alleged racist remarks by members of the firm during job interviews with law students at the University of Michigan and the University of Chicago, also urged fellow students to boycott the firm.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - President Bush signed an emergency spending bill Tuesday that allowed the federal government to get back into full-scale operation, but he flip-flopped on the possiblity of raising tax rates on the rich.

Speaking at a morning news conference, Bush expressed a willingness to consider negotiating an increase in the tax rate for wealthy Americans if it was accompanied by a reduction in capital gains taxes.

''If it's proper and can be worked, balanced between the capital gains rate and the income tax changes, fine. But I don't think it's fruitful here (in public) to negotiate the details,'' the president said.

But later in the day, following a hurriedly called meeting with Senate Republicans who voiced opposition to any increase in income tax rates, Bush dropped the possible deal.

The president and Congress have long been at odds over capital gains rates, but they came together early Tuesday on an emergency spending bill that ended a three-day government shutdown.

The president signed the measure just after 7 a.m. EDT, only hours after Congress gave final passage to the bill that will keep the government in full operation through Oct. 19.

By then, the White House and Congress hope to agree on a fiscal 1991 budget and a plan to reduce the federal deficit by $500 billion over the next five years. The deficit reduction for this year is supposed to be $40.1 billion.

A White House official said Bush told GOP leaders Tuesday that he did not want to raise income taxes on the wealthy unless he could also get a cut in the capital gains tax rate.

''You're not going to get it,'' the official quoted Republicans leaders

telling Bush. ''Then,'' the official said Bush replied, ''forget it.''

Sen. Robert Packwood, R-Ore., told reporters after the session, ''Our uniform position was that we will not go up on the rates - not 1 percent, not 2 percent, not one-tenth.''

Bush met with Republican leaders shortly after word spread that Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, chairman of the Finance Committee, would propose a plan to eliminate the so-called tax bubble with an across-the-board top rate of 33 percent.

The ''bubble'' refers to taxable income between $78,400 and $208,690 for a family of four. At $78,400, the tax rate rises from 28 percent to 33 percent, but when it reaches $208,690, it drops back to 28 percent. Eliminating the bubble would leave the rate at 33 percent from $78,400 upward and would only affect those with $200,000-plus in taxable income.

In exchange for the change, Bentsen's plan calls for reducing the capital gax tax rate and reducing a proposed hike on gasoline from 12 cents to nine cents per gallon, and dropping a 2-cent tax on heating oil, congressional sources said.

A White House official, asking that he not be identified by name, insisted that reporters misunderstood Bush's earlier remarks about possibly raising the tax rate for the wealthy.

''We don't want to change the rate,'' the official said. ''Nothing has changed.''

Regardless, Bush's comments made a lot of Senate Republicans edgy, and they came to the White House saying an overhaul of the tax rates would push congressional efforts to develop a new budget into chaos.

''We do not have time to recover from any major surgery, like adjusting rates '' said Sen. John Warner, R-Va.

''We put capital gains to rest - it's just dead,'' said Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska.

Earlier, Bush told his news conference, ''We've been pulling and tugging at this framework agreement for nearly five months and it's been difficult because the whole underlying problem is difficult.''

He assured Americans ''that I will do everything in my power to encourage Congress as it struggles'' to fill in the blanks of a sketchy budget outline, also passed by Congress early Tuesday.

The new plan maintains the framework of a bipartisan proposal defeated by the

lawmakers last week. That one included $135 billion in new taxes and fees and deep cuts in federal services, particularly Medicare.

The new spending blueprint eliminates many specific tax increases and spending cuts, leaving it up to congressional committees to make those tough choices.

The House Ways and Means Committee is expected to reduce the size of the Medicare cut from the $60 billion over five years to about $42 billion.

Bush and Congress have drawn plenty of heat from the public for their collective failure to reach a budget accord by Oct. 1, start of the fiscal year.

Last week, the House, responding to complaints from an outraged public, rejected pleas from Bush and defeated the bipartisan budget proposal as unfair to the poor, middle-income earners and to the elderly.

Much of the ire was directed at Bush, who was elected president with a promise of ''no new taxes.''

''I don't think the American people gave the back of the hand to the budget agreement,'' Bush told reporters. ''But listen, I can understand the frustration. I feel it myself at times.''

A new CBS poll showed Tuesday that a majority of Americans blamed Bush and Congress equally for the budget debacle, although a poll by the Washington Post and ABC pinned most of the fault on lawmakers.

The Post-ABC poll also found that Bush's approval rating had slipped 11 percentage points in the past month. But it still remained at a robust 65 percent.

Asked about the polls, Bush said: ''What it says is, we're not doing too bad. Like to be doing better. And I think there's still pretty strong support.''

''But I guess I learned that you can't do it exactly my way when we get down to something like the deficit,'' he said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 9) UPI - The Washington budget imbroglio, heightened fears of Mideast war, higher oil prices and a weaker dollar hammered the bond market Tuesday and pushed the 30-year U.S. Treasury bond's yield almost to 9 percent.

Bond investors who bought securities before the weekend in the expectation of congressional action on a budget package initially proposed by White House and key bipartisan leaders were disappointed, analysts said.

Timely passage of the legislation not only would have opened the way for the Federal Reserve to lower short-term interest rates - a move which could have helped bond prices - but would have reassured credit markets.

Instead, the House rejected the package early Friday morning and President Bush closed down the government over the Columbus Day weekend. The House then passed a ''fill-in-the-blanks'' budget and a temporary spending bill - but further wrangling loomed.

The benchmark 30-year bond, the 8 3/4 of 2020, ended at 97 26/32 to yield 8.96 percent, vs. 99 17/32 and 8.79 percent Friday - a loss of 1 3/4 points, or $17.50 per $1,000 face value. The U.S. market was closed Monday.

Analysts said there was not so much actual bond selling as the marking down of security prices to produce more attractive yields. Yields - market interest rates - and prices move in opposite directions.

Dean Witter Reynolds money-market analyst Kevin Flanagan pointed to a ''lack of any real movement on this budget situation.''

The market took little encouragement from Bush's Monday morning news conference or from Congress's counterproposal, pointing to the few specifics on spending reductions and tax hikes currently in place.

''Even if (they) do come up with an accord, how credible and meaningful is it going to be?'' Flanagan asked.

''The longer it drags out, the less confidence one has in anything credible coming out,'' said Samuel Kahan, chief economist for Fuji Securities Inc. ''Add to that a heavy dose of concern about a possible war.''

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein demanded Tuesday that Israel withdraw from occupied Arab lands or face retaliation for the deaths in Jerusalem of at least 21 Palestinian demonstrators Monday at a Moslem holy site.

Bonds decline on war fears because an outbreak in the Persian Gulf could push oil prices higher and accelerate inflation, which erodes the fixed return on government securities and makes them less valuable.

In the U.S oil market, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery surged to close at a new record of $40.40 a barrel, up $1.45 on the news.

A weakening dollar gave foreign investors another reason not to buy Treasury bonds, Flanagan said, as they face foreign-exchange losses when they cash them in without enjoying yields that beat those of overseas bonds.

Another factor driving down bond prices were an expected heavy supply of new U.S. government securities in coming weeks, with Treasury auctions and issues of U.S.-backed bonds to finance the savings and loan bailout due for sale.

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 9) UPI - Executives of Chicken of the Sea announced Tuesday it would become the first U.S. tuna brand to abandon completely the use of tuna from the Eastern Tropical Pacific.

Dolphins and tuna often swim and are caught together in the area of the Pacific Ocean known as the ETP.

''Chicken of the Sea does not purchase fish from vessels in the Eastern Pacific,'' said Paul Krampe, executive vice president-resourcing for Van Camp Seafood Co. of St. Louis, which markets Chicken of the Sea brand tuna.

''Chicken of the Sea practices dolphin protection without exception,'' said Krampe. He said the brand has been endorsed as dolphin-safe by Earth Island Institute, the environmental organization that led the campaign to stop fishing practices that endanger dolphins.

Van Camp officials said they believed Chicken of the Sea becomes the only tuna processor in the United States to withdraw from the Eastern Tropical Pacific, the primary source of dolphin deaths from tuna fishing.

The brand now obtains all its tuna from vessels in waters where tuna do not follow dolphins, including the Western Pacific, as well as the Indian and Atlantic oceans, Krampe said. He said Chicken of the Sea also has closed its processing facility in Puerto Rico, which canned tuna from the ETP.

''By completely rejecting tuna caught in the ETP and refusing to purchase tuna caught with drift nets worldwide, Chicken of the Sea tuna is verifiably dolphin-safe,'' Krampe said. ''We urge all other tuna processors to accept the same standard.''

Chicken of the Sea began reducing its dependence on the ETP as early as 1981, company officials said. Last October, the brand became the first to stop buying tuna caught in the ETP by foreign vessels responsible for the majority of dolphin deaths.

On April 12, the company announced it no longer would purchase any tuna from any vessel fishing in the ETP unless a trained government observer provided written certification of dolphin-safe fishing practices during the entire trip. Chicken of the Sea officials also announced their rejection of drift-netted tuna at that time.

Jose Munoz, president of Van Camp, appeared before a subcommittee of the U.S. House of Representatives last May and endorsed legislation banning the sale of tuna caught with dolphins. He also announced his support for a bill that would mandate labeling of tuna as either dolphin-safe or unsafe.

A redesigned label for Chicken of the Sea tuna, identifying it as dolphin-safe is now in distribution and is slated to be in stores nationwide by November.

Van Camp Seafood Co., a $320 million concern, is one of the world's largest tuna processors. Besides albacore and chunk light tuna, it markets canned clams and oysters, crab meat, shrimp and salmon under the Chicken of the Sea label. The company also markets mackerel under the Van Camp label.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - Casting aside their differences on the Persian Gulf crisis, Arab nations united in the U-N Security Council today to condemn yesterday's killing of 21 Palestinians in Jerusalem. 14 government representatives spoke out strongly against the actions of Israeli security forces at the Temple Mount. U-S Ambassador Thomas Pickering declined to comment on the U-S position.

In an emotional ceremony at the Justice Department, the United States today formally apologized to Japanese-Americans nearly a half century after they were rounded up and put in internment camps during World War Two. Attorney General Thornburgh handed the recipients checks for 20- thousand dollars along with letters of apology from President Bush. The group ranged in age from 73 to 107. The ceremony marks the beginning of a one-point-two-BILLION-dollar program to compensate Japanese-American internees.

German and Soviet officials signed a bilateral agreement in Bonn today under which Germany will help pay for the cost of withdrawing Soviet troops from what used to be East Germany. Germany will pay seven- point-six-BILLION dollars toward the cost of withdrawing and resettling some 380-thousand Soviet troops.

The U-S Supreme Court will decide whether a limit can be placed on the number of unions that represent doctors, nurses and other health care workers at acute-care hospitals. The American Hospital Association claims that the National Labor Relations Board acted illegally in 1987 in issuing a directive limiting to eight the number of bargaining units for the hospitals.

Senator Daniel Moynihan is pressing for a cut in Social Security taxes. The New York Democrat today urged the Senate to approve legislation making the cut saying that the surplus in the trust fund, now above 100-BILLION dollars, should NOT be used to finance other government programs.

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BOSTON (OCT. 9) UPI - Nike Inc., the nation's No. 1 sports shoemaker, Tuesday sued Etonic Inc. in U.S. District Court charging it with patent infringement, false advertising and unfair competition.

Nike claims Etonic's newly marketed StableAir category of athletic shoe infringes on patents for the Nike-Air cushioning system used in products that represent about 60 percent of Nike's $1.4 billion in U.S. sales.

The suit says the six new models in the StableAir category infringe on Nike patents.

Also, the Nike suit alleges Etonic ads ''create the false impression that the Nike-Air cushioning system is unstable ....'' Both the alleged patent infringements and false advertising are included in unfair competition claims.

Nike, based in Beaverton, Ore., first marketed its ''air'' technology in 1979 and has been an aggressive defender of its patents. In February it sued L.A. Gear, the nation's No. 3 athletic footwear maker, on a similar infringement complaint.

In its latest suit, Nike said it had spent millions of dollars developing its air technology and had steadily increasing sales to prove its success. The complaint said Nike sold 29 million pairs of athletic shoes using the technology in the latest fiscal year.

Nike's corporate counsel, Lindsay Stewart, said Etonic's new shoes are ''just now finding their way into the distribution channels.'' The suit does not specify alleged damages but asks that Etonic, of Brockton, Mass., be enjoined from selling its StableAir products and continuing its ads.

The suit is not the first clash between the two companies over the rival products. In February, at an industry trade show in Atlanta, Nike Chairman Phil Knight termed Etonic's patented air technology a ''flat tire.'' Etonic responded with advertising tweaking Nike with the implication the Oregon company was resisting advancing technology.

Etonic, part of Etonic Tretorn Puma and owned by European footwear makers, could not be reached for comment on the suit.

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OAKLAND, Calif. (OCT. 9) UPI - Oakland is likely headed for the Fall Classic and Boston has helped by taking a classic fall.

Showing their depth and exploiting blunders Tuesday, the Athletics moved

within one victory of their third straight World Series berth with a 4-1 triumph over the Red Sox.

Seldom has any club flopped the way Boston has in this series. The Red Sox have been outscored 17-3, are hitting .198, and have made four errors to Oakland's one. Catcher Tony Pena committed two defensive lapses Tuesday, leading to three runs. Red Sox starter Mike Boddicker added to the embarrassment by using a windup with a man on base.

''We gotta' be going bad, the (security) guard wouldn't even let me in here,'' Boston Manager Joe Morgan said in the post-game interview room. ''Do you believe that? He wanted to stop me.''

Somebody should stop something, namely this series. That should take care of itself Wednesday at 3:15 p.m. EDT, when four-time 20-game winner Dave Stewart opposes Boston ace Roger Clemens.

Stewart said Morgan's choice for Game 4 starter is another blunder. Clemens has made just two starts since Sept. 4 because of tendinitis and fluid buildup in his pitching shoulder.

''I was surprised,'' Stewart said. ''He's not the Roger Clemens who pitched this year. He's tired. Physically, his arm is not strong. I would think they would be more careful with a pitcher of his calibre and let him concentrate on letting him get well for next year.

''They're down 3-0 and they do not have the kind of team that can beat us four straight.''

Willie Randolph, playing because of an injury to Walt Weiss, delivered two RBI singles and Terry Steinbach scored a run by knocking the ball out of catcher Tony Pena's glove.

''I've been in postseason play,'' Randolph said. ''Every at-bat is important.''

Randolph capped a two-run fourth inning and prolonged a two-run sixth, rallying Oakland to a 3-0 lead in the best-of-seven American League playoff. With a victory in Game 4, Oakland can wrap up its second playoff sweep of Boston in three years.

Oakland Manager Tony La Russa resisted an invitation to say that there might not be a fifth game.

''Anybody who asks me about Game 5, I wouldn't answer it,'' La Russa said.

When told that Morgan had called the A's the best team in the world, he said, ''If you don't have confidence in your club, forget about it. We've got one more win for the ALCS. We're going to be ready.''

Mike Moore, who lost three of his last four regular-season decisions, allowed one run in six innings, shrugging off Tom Brunansky's second- inning sacrifice fly to notch his fourth triumph in as many postseason starts.

''Once you get to this point in the season I want to go out and contribute any way I can,'' Moore said. ''Tony had confidence in me.''

Dennis Eckersley pitched the ninth for his second save of the series and his sixth in Oakland's last seven playoff victories over Boston.
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Never has a major-league club rebounded from a 3-0 deficit to take a postseason series. Such a rally seems all the more improbable against the A's.

Oakland has set a major-league mark with 20 league championship series victories. It has also won nine straight postseason games, while Boston has lost a record seven straight in the playoffs.

''The bats are kind of silent as you know,'' Morgan said. ''That's the way we go, up and down. Bad time to be going the other way, though.''

Randolph's contributions illustrated the club's depth, while Steinbach's charge symbolized the beating that Boston has absorbed.

Randolph, whose first playoff experience came 15 years ago with the Pittsburgh Pirates, started neither of the first two games. But with Weiss out at shortstop with a knee injury, he played second base with Mike Gallego switching to short.

''I wouldn not consider it an insult,'' Randolph said of not starting Games 1 and 2. ''I was a little disappointed.''

Randolph arrived from Los Angeles in a May 12 trade.

''Not playing every day is an adjustment but I was able to get a feel for it after about a month.''

Oakland's lineup changes made virtually no difference. For the third straight game, Boston took a 1-0 lead, only to be overtaken and then buried in the later innings. Oakland even managed to turn a Red Sox defensive gem into an edge.

With Oakland holding a 2-1 lead in the sixth, Boston shortstop Luis Rivera committed an error on Harold Baines' grounder to the hole. Left fielder Mike Greenwell leapt against the left-field wall to rob Mark McGwire, but Baines alertly tagged and took second.

Dave Henderson was hit by a pitch and Steinbach forced Henderson. Randolph singled in Baines and, with Gallego batting, Oakland attempted a double steal. Though beaten by five feet and with Pena in position to defend the plate, Steinbach ran over the catcher.

Another embarrassment occurred in the eighth when, with Henderson on first, Boddicker pitched from a windup, leading to an easy steal of second.

''That's the first thing you learn in Class A ball,'' Henderson said. ''The pitcher goes into a windup, that's a free base.''

Boston took a 1-0 lead in the second. With one out, Greenwell walked and Dwight Evans lined a hit-and-run single. Brunansky lifted a sacrifice fly.

Oakland failed to capitalize when Boddicker hit McGwire to lead off the second. But Boddicker walked Jose Canseco opening the fourth and, this time, the A's pounced for a 2-1 lead.

Baines singled to right, moving Canseco to second. With the runners moving, McGwire struck out on a full count and the Red Sox should have had a double play. But Pena threw low to third and Wade Boggs could not come up with the ball.

Instead of having two out and a runner on second, the A's had second and third with one out. Dave Henderson used the extra out to lift a sacrifice fly to right, and Randolph followed by singling home Baines.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - U.S. farm programs may be remolded to take an aggressive, export-oriented edge if world trade reform talks fail, Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter warned Tuesday.

Agricultural trade is one of the thorniest issues in the negotiations, due to conclude in early December. The United States wants to see large-scale removal of trade barriers and unfair subsidies while the European Community considers the only sensible course to be a smaller level of action.

During a satellite broadcast, Yeutter prodded the EC to agree to specific cuts in export subsidies while his EC counterpart, Raymond MacSharry, blamed low wheat prices, which have followed on the heels of a huge crop worldwide, on U.S. overproduction.

''We would need to quickly reappraise our farm policy to see if it fits the confrontational'' situation that would prevail if the talks fail, Yeutter told reporters afterward.

The review, he said, could include a restructuring of crop support programs to emphasize exports - ''much more market-share oriented'' - and put less emphasis on financial support.

''In the absence of a substantive agreement in December, we will completely reassess our commitments in the United States,'' he later reiterated.

Since 1985, the United States has spent $2.87 billion to subsidize the sale of $10.9 billion worth of grain, vegetable oil, eggs, poultry, dairy cattle and poultry feed. Although sizable, the export subsidy and market development programs are much smaller than farm subsidies, which totaled nearly $78 billion in the past five fiscal years.

During an impromptu session with reporters, Yeutter emphasized that any change in U.S. programs should flow from policy goals, not simply be a restoration of spending cuts.

Exports are a vital issue to U.S. agriculture because they account for 20 percent of cash farm receipts. Nearly half of the U.S. wheat crop is exported, as is a third of the soybean crop and one-fourth of the corn crop.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 9) UPI - Tunisia purchased 125,000 metric tons of wheat at subsidized prices from U.S. exporters and an unidentified buyer took 111,760 tons of soybeans, the Agriculture Department reported Tuesday.

The wheat was worth about $12.8 million and the soybeans $26 million, based on Chicago prices.

There are 36.7 bushels of wheat and soybeans in a metric tons, so the sales called for delivery of the equivalent of 4.6 million bushels of wheat and 4.1 million bushels of soybeans.

Tunisia's purchase included 75,000 tons of hard red winter wheat and 50,000 tons of northern-dark northern spring wheat. The wheat will be delivered in February and March.

By law, exporters must report sales of 100,000 tons or more of a commodity within 24 hours. Some sales, such as the soybean sale, are listed as going to unidentified buyers because it sometimes can take a few days to learn who bought the goods.

Under the sale to Tunesia, four exporters will be given bonuses worth $55.07 a ton, or $1.50 a bushel, for making the deal.

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#90282u2380 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 9) UPI - A federal judge in Los Angeles today convicted the only F-B-I agent ever accused of espionage. Richard Miller was found guilty on all six counts of bribery and espionage. It was Miller's third trial on charges that he passed classified documents to his Soviet lover in 1984. Prosecutors say Miller was motivated by lust, boredom and the desire to make a ''quick buck.'' He faces a maximum of life in prison when he is sentenced January 7th.

Debris from two U-S helicopters missing since yesterday has been recovered by searchers in the North Arabian Sea. The choppers and their eight crew members disappeared while flying a routine night mission from the amphibious assault ship U-S-S Okinawa . A defense official says the helmet of one of the crew members was also found among the debris. The official says it's unlikely any of the eight survived the crashes.

President Bush says he'll do everything in his power to encourage Congress to come up with a budget package he can accept. At a news conference today, Bush appeared to show a new willingness to support higher taxes for the rich. He said- quoting here- ''If it's proper and can be worked, balanced between the capital gains rate and the income tax changes, fine.'' Bush earlier signed a stop-gap spending bill... and re-opened the federal government.

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#90282u2387 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
PITTSBURGH (OCT. 9) UPI - Now that the Pittsburgh Steelers' offense has ended its scoring drought, the next task is to learn how to bring in the offensive plays.

The 2-3 Steelers, who play Sunday at Denver, have been trying to learn the new system installed by offensive coordinator Joe Walton, who always has used the messenger system to send his plays into the game.

Before Walton arrived, the Steelers had used hand signals to get the plays in from the sideline.

''We've got a few things to work on so that we can cut out some of the confusion,'' said Coach Chuck Noll at a news conference Tuesday at Three Rivers Stadium. ''Some of our (messengers), when they got the formation and then got the play, they forgot what the formation was. So they're going in with the play but without the formation.''

That exact scenario cost the Steelers a 5-yard penalty for delay of the game in the first quarter of Sunday's 36-14 win over the San Diego Chargers. Eric Green's 8-yard touchdown catch early in the second quarter ended a 17-quarter scoring drought for the Steeler offense.

''It's like you telling him something and then him telling someone else and him telling someone else, and by the time it finally gets to me, it's almost a lie,'' said quarterback Bubby Brister. ''It like, we don't have that play. It's something we can correct.''

The Steelers plan to do that by signaling the formation into Brister on the sideline, and then having the messenger bring only the play.

''It's not a compromise,'' said Noll, who originally resisted any change to Walton's preferred method. ''It's to help the guys who don't work on the thing. The quarterback is constantly in the thing the whole way.

''You take a wide receiver or running back or tight ends, and you give them all that terminology, and by the time they get in there they forget one end.

''It's like the old Boy Scout trick. You'd tell the story in the beginning, and then see what it was like by the time it got to the end of the line. We're having a bit of that problem right now.''

According to Brister, one of the typical plays brought in from the sideline might sound like this: deuce-split-right-tight two-short-motion short-sprint-left 49-Z-hide-Y-go, on two.

''Go ahead, you repeat that,'' said Brister, ''and I'm no brain surgeon either.''

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(OCT. 9) UPI - Isolated incidents of rock-throwing and tire-burning were reported in Israel today, but the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip were relatively quiet. Three Arabs in Gaza were injured in clashes that came one day after Israeli police shot and killed 21 Arabs in Jerusalem. Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir today accused Palestinian leaders of exploiting the deaths, and said violence would NOT alter Israeli policy.

Tropical Storm Klaus weakened to a depression today and forecasters say it's about to be gobbled up by a Cuban storm front. The combination is whipping up surf along Florida's Atlantic Coast and could bring as much as 10 inches of rain to the drought-stricken peninsula. At Cape Canaveral, NASA moved the leak-plagued Columbia off the launch pad and back to the Vehicle Assembly Building to protect the shuttle from the remnants of Klaus.

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At last report, Klaus was about 115 miles southeast of Nassau in the Bahamas, and was moving northwest at nearly 15 miles-an-hour.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 9) UPI - The Pettit family, which donated $72 million to build an arena in hopes of bringing an NHL team to Milwaukee, cited economic reasons Tuesday for withdrawing their application for an expansion franchise.

However, the Pettits said they still would seek to buy an existing franchise and move it to the city.

Lloyd Pettit, who heads Wisconsin Ice Hockey Inc., the group trying to bring an NHL team to Milwaukee, said league rules for expansion franchises made it economically unfeasible.

''The way it's set up now, I would say it's not feasible for any market,'' said Pettit, who owns a Milwaukee minor-league hockey team. ''We met yesterday and came to the conclusion it was just not in the books.''

The NHL, scheduled to award two expansion teams in December, said it would cost $50 million for a franchise. Milwaukee's exit leaves nine cities vying for the franchises.

The NHL has already accepted the San Jose Sharks as an expansion team for the 1991-92 season.

Pettit said after an indemnity to the Chicago Blackhawks due to proximity of the cities and other fees are added, the cost of the expansion franchise would be $60 million to $65 million.

He said an expansion draft would give new teams the 23rd best player on NHL rosters and research showed it would take five to 10 years for an expansion team to be competitive.

''If you are dealing with five to 10 years as a losing club, you don't get attendance and you don't make it financially,'' Pettit said.

NHL President John A. Ziegler was notified of the decision about midday Tuesday, according to a brief statement.

''Although we do not agree with some of the reasons or conclusions indicated by Milwaukee representatives relating to the withdrawal,'' Ziegler said, ''we certainly respect their right to do so and appreciate their continued support of hockey in the Milwaukee area.''

Lloyd and Jane Pettit, philanthropists who donate to many causes in Milwaukee, gave $72 million to the city to build the Bradley Center, which opened in 1988.

''You currently are looking at a very dejected and depressed and sometimes

more than a little less enthusiastic man,'' Lloyd Pettit said. ''From the very beginning, my inclination was to believe in a dream. And that dream, unfortunately, is not going to come true.''

Lloyd Pettit believed the Milwaukee application would have been approved.

''We had received information that our application was possibly the best application of them all,'' he said. ''I don't know how those other clubs are going to do it.''

In addition to Seattle and Tampa-St. Petersburg, Milwaukee was considered a favorite for the next wave of growth in the NHL.

The 17,000-seat Bradley Center hosts the Milwaukee Bucks of the NBA, the Marquette Warriors collee basketball team, the Milwaukee Admirals of the International Hockey League and the Milwaukee Wave, a minor league indoor soccer team.

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The Pentagon said today that multi-national forces turned away an Iraqi tanker carrying flour and rice in the Arabian Sea. The tanker Tadmur was shadowed and boarded by U-S, British and Australian forces yesterday when it refused to stop for inspection. A Pentagon spokesman says the markings on the bags of rice indicate it was grown in the United States and shipped to Jordan.

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January 7th.

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#90282u2537 10/09/1990 ~United Press International
CULVER CITY, Calif. (OCT. 10) UPI - MGM/UA Communications announced Tuesday that it has been forced to make a $35 million settlement to shareholders to dismiss a class-action suit stemming from its 1986 sale to Turner Broadcasting.

The company also said it has sued its insurers for a ''bad faith'' settlement they made in the case last month.

Damages in the case, which went to trial two weeks ago, could have been as high as $200 million and doomed the pending sale of the studio to Italian financier Giancarlo Parretti's Pathe Communications. Pathe had agreed to indemnify MGM/UA, which is controlled by financier Kirk Kerkorian, for damages.

Pathe, which has paid more than $350 million in down payments already, has until Oct. 23 to complete the deal.

In its announcement, MGM/UA said the settlement had been forced upon it by its insurers. Those four insurers reached an agreement three weeks ago, over MGM/UA's strenuous objections, to a separate settlement worth up to $20 million with the plaintiffs in the suit.

That settlement left Kerkorian and his holding company, Tracinda Corp., as the sole defendants in the suit.

In announcing its suit against the insurers, MGM/UA cited bad faith actions taken by the insurers - Harbor Insurance Co., Forum Insurance Co., Associated International Insurance Co. and National Union Fire Insurance Co.

''While the bad faith actions of our insurers have forced us to advance the $35 million, we fully expect to recover these funds, plus punitive damages,'' said Terry Christensen, attorney for MGM/UA.

Christensen said the insurers' settlement with plaintiffs had been reached ''behind our backs.'' That settlement called for shareholders to pay the insurers up to $3 million if they won more than $20 million in the trial.

The shareholder suit claimed Kerkorian had undervalued the United Artists part of the company when he sold the entire company to Turner for $1.5 billion. Kerkorian then bought back United Artists and the MGM name for $470 million.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - This morning, President Bush expressed a willingness to raise

tax rates for the rich in exchange for a cut in capital gains taxes. Later, he reversed himself on the income tax hike. A White House official says reporters misunderstood Bush. In the official's words- ''We DON'T want to change the rate. NOTHING has changed.''

The way has been cleared for a U-N Security Council vote on a measure to condemn the Israeli killing of Palestinians during yesterday's riot in Jerusalem. A senior U-S official says the council's five permanent members, including the United States, agreed on a text that would condemn the killings.

Another scheduled airlift of Americans from Iraq. The State Department says a U-S-chartered 747 will leave tomorrow for Basra, Iraq, to pick up an estimated 400 U-S citizens and their foreign- born family members. The plane will fly to London and then to Raleigh- Durham, North Carolina, on Thursday.

Lawyers for former F-B-I agent Richard Miller say they have NOT decided whether to appeal today's espionage conviction. A federal judge in Los Angeles found Miller guilty of passing secrets to his Soviet lover in 1984. He faces up to life in prison.

David Souter took his seat as the 105th justice of the U- S Supreme Court today after taking an official judicial oath inside the marble-columned courtroom on Capitol Hill. He then heard oral arguments on his first case, which involves securities law.

NO jurors were seated and the selection process will continue tomorrow in the Fort Lauderdale, Florida, obscenity trial of three members of 2 Live Crew. The Miami rappers are charged with performing lyrics from their album ''As Nasty As They Wanna Be'' two days after a federal judge declared the music obscene.

White supremacist Tom Metzger lost his bid today to disqualify more than 20 potential jurors at his trial in Portland, Oregon. The former Ku Klux Klan leader is being sued for 10-Million dollars for allegely inciting three so-called ''skinheads'' who killed a black man in 1988.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - A representative of Liberia's interim government says the strength of the West African peacekeeping force will be doubled to nine-thousand troops. The announcement comes after heavy artillery battles today ended a three-day lull in fighting.

The rebels trying to overthrow the government of Rwanda admit that they are running into difficulties, 10 days after invading the east African nation. They say the presence of troops from Belgium, France and Zaire is a blow to their movement's hopes.

Police in Durban, South Africa, say eight people were injured today when a gang of young black males armed with Ninja knives went on a stabbing spree... randomly attacking white pedestrians. Officers shot and wounded two of the assailtants and arrested seven more. The rest fled.

A North Carolina man was confined to a mental health facility after hijacking a Charlotte school bus at knifepoint today. NONE of the 12 children aboard were hurt. The incident ended when the bus driver broke free and ran for help.

Another Kennedy wedding in the offing. Matthew Kennedy, son of Ethel and the late Robert Kennedy, will marry fellow University of Virginia Law School student Victoria Anne Strauss. A July wedding is planned in Philadelphia.

A potential audience of one-BILLION people from North America to the Soviet Union to American G-I's in the Persian Gulf listened to today's broadcast from the United Nations marking the 50th birthday of slain Beatle John Lennon. .

Tonight, the Alliance for Survival... an anti-war, anti-nuclear group that has marked Lennon's birthday every year since his death... is holding a ''Beatleblast'' party at a Hollywood nightclub. The party features a Beatles' sound-alike band and pro-environmental speeches.

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(OCT. 9) UPI - A draft resolution circulated among the U-N Security Council's member-states calls for condemnation of the violence and- quote- ''the excessive Israeli response'' that left at least 21 Palestinians dead in Jerusalem yesterday. A senior U-S official says the United States and the other four permanent members of the Council are prepared to condemn the violence. Arab states put aside their differences on the Persian Gulf crisis and united to condemn Israel.

President Bush says Congress can just forget about raising tax rates on the rich as part of a new budget deal. A White House official says Bush told Republican leaders he didN'T want to raise income taxes on the wealthy unless he could also get a cut in the capital gains tax rate. But when G-O-P leaders told the president he's ''NOT going to get it,'' Bush reportedly replied- ''Then, forget it.''

The Senate today opened debate on slashing Social Security payroll taxes. Democrat Daniel Moynihan of New York notes the trust fund surplus is more than 100-BILLION dollars and climbing. Moynihan is the sponsor of the bill that would put Social Security on a ''pay-as-you-go'' basis beginning January 1st. He calls the measure ''transparently just'' and ''economically sound.''

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(OCT. 9) UPI - In Santa Ana, California, an expert on surrogate birth testified today that a woman hired by an infertile couple to carry their embryo should be considered the child's natural mother... despite genetic evidence to the contrary. The testimony by Dr. Michelle Harrison came in the trial of surrogate mother Anna Johnson, who is seeking custody of the baby boy she gave birth to September 19th. Since his birth, the child has been living with his biological parents.

Oil producers announced plans today to pump more crude from America's oil reservoir at Prudhoe Bay on Alaska's arctic coast. The one-BILLION- dollar project will result in a 100-thousand-barrel-a-day increase in production by 1995. In announcing the project, the presidents of B-P Exploration of Alaska and Arco Alaska said they have resolved a long- standing dispute over ownership of natural gas reserves. They agreed to merge some of their Alaska operations to save money.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Tekelec Wednesday announced the ChameLAN 100, a specially designed test system which provides complete monitoring and statistical analysis for high-speed FDDI (Fiber Distributed Data Interface) networks.

The ChameLAN 100 is the first FDDI test system to ensure continuous network testing regardless of traffic loads (up to 100 percent) or problems in the network.

FDDI product developers can use the ChameLAN 100 to test and diagnose problems in their products, evaluate network performance and resolve interoperability issues in a network environment. Network managers can use the new tester to evaluate, install and maintain FDDI products.

The ChameLAN 100 includes system software and specially designed hardware for real-time statistical analysis, filtering and triggering of network data. Real-time analysis helps developers view the overall ''health'' of their networks. Filtering and triggering capabilities enable them to capture specific network data based on user-defined events.

The ChameLAN 100 also includes an intelligent statistics package, with bar and line graphics, which summarizes network information and helps isolate problems on the network. Developers can also use the ChameLAN 100 to interpret FDDI protocols such as MAC and SMT, and higher level protocols like TCP/IP and OSI.

The system is an independent passive solution which does not affect network activity. It is connected to the FDDI network using standard connections (Single Attached Stations - SAS, and Dual Attached Stations DAS) and operates

as an FDDI repeater (PMD relay).

The ChameLAN 100 was designed with high-performance power to meet FDDI requirements and those of future technologies. It features an easy-to-use industry standard user interface, MOTIF, which runs over X-Windows and UNIX. Its state-of-the-art hardware design includes an Intel 80386 processor, and a front-end RISC Transputer with a 5 MB or optional 20 MB capture buffer. It also includes a 100 MB or optional 200 MB built-in hard disk for system files and network data storage.

Recognized as a leading test equipment manufacturer, Tekelec's product line encompasses testing of data protocols (ISDN, X.25, OSI), FDDI Local Area Networks, transmission services and equipment (T1, Fractional T1, DDS, T3), signalling (SS7), and emerging intelligent network applications. Its products are marketed worldwide with subsidiaries in Japan and the United Kingdom.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Micro Technology Inc. (MTI) Wednesday announced the introduction of MIB Manager, a software tool now included in the company's LANCE network management system (NMS), which makes it easier for network managers to get information about different vendors' devices on a network.

Because devices in a network are often made by different vendors, using different management information bases (MIB), a software program such as MIB Manager is necessary to get the different network devices to send their information to a network management system.

MIB Manager, using the industry-standard Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP), implements both standard and proprietary MIBs to allow corporate network managers to access, query and control all SNMP devices on their networks via LANCE.

Increasingly, computers are connected together in networks. Today, the local-area network (LAN) market is one of the fastest growing segments of the overall PC and workstation market in the United States, with a 33 percent compound annual growth rate through 1993, according to Forrester Research. And says a recent issue of LAN Magazine, ''Once a novelty, the LAN is now a centerpiece.''

With increasing use of LANs comes the need to manage networks in terms of preventing and tracking problems, increasing network productivity, ensuring security, and helping managers plan for future network needs. Until recently, this was a job requiring several different computer monitors and software programs because of proprietary hardware protocols. With MIB Manager, several monitoring consoles can be combined into a single monitor with a single user interface, providing both a truly integrated look at the whole network and consolidated management reports of network activity.

According to DataPro, the SNMP network management market is in its infancy, with 1990 estimated revenues of $5 million. Micro Technoloy believes this is low, because the company projects revenues of nearly that amount for its own SNMP-based products.

MIB Manager lets LANCE users view a device's MIB and easily query or change any supported MIB variables, using a simple point-and-click user interface. Without MIB Manager, a network manager would have to write complex software programs to get network information from each device.

Established in 1979, Micro Technology is a proven leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of quality enhancement products in networking, storage subsystems and system software for the VAX/VMS and UNIX environments. A privately held company, for the fiscal year ended in March 1990, MTI had revenues of $55 million, and anticipates 1991 revenues of $80 million. The company supports its customers through 45 sales and service locations in the United States, Canada, Australia and Europe.

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COLUMBUS, IN (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Cummins Engine Co. Inc., Wednesday announced that the financing condition contained in its tender offer for any and all of its outstanding Liquid Yield Option Notes due 2005 (LYONs) at $270 per $1,000 principal amount of LYONs, net to the seller in cash, has been satisfied.

The company said that it has sold a sufficient amount of medium-term notes under its previously announced medium-term note program to satisfy the financing condition.

The tender offer and withdrawal rights are scheduled to expire at 12:00 midnight (EDT) on Thursday, Oct. 25, 1990.

Cummins is a major producer of diesel engines, components and power systems for trucks and industrial equipment.

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COLUMBUS, IN (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Cummins Engine Co. Inc., has elected James K. Ashford, president and chief executive officer of the J I Case subsidiary of Tenneco Inc., Edward E. Hagenlocker, vice president of Ford Motor Co. and general manager of Ford Truck Operations, and J. Lawrence Wilson chairman and chief executive officer of Rohm and Haas Co., to its board of directors.

Ashford assumed leadership of J I Case in 1987 after serving as president and chief executive officer of Tenneco Automotive. He first joined Walker Manufacturing Co., a division of Tenneco Automotive, in 1958 and served in various accounting and management positions before becoming vice president of long range planning and development of Tenneco Inc. in 1981.

A graduate of the Harvard School of Business Advanced Management Program, Ashford received a B.S. in accounting from Mississippi State University in 1958. He is a member of the board of directors of the Farm and Industrial Equipment Institute.

Hagenlocker was named vice president-Ford Truck Operations in 1986, prior to which he held the post of director-president, Ford of Brazil. After joining Ford as a research scientist in 1964, Hagenlocker held engineering management positions for a variety of Ford component operations and joined Truck Operations in 1978.

He received B.S. and M.S. degrees in engineering physics from The Ohio State University in 1962 and a Ph.D. degree in physics in 1964. Hagenlocker was awarded an M.B.A. degree in business administration from Michigan State University in 1982.

Wilson was appointed chairman and chief executive officer of Rohm and Haas in 1988. He joined the company in 1965 as an operations research analyst and held positions throughout the company before becoming treasurer and chief financial officer and later, vice chairman. Wilson has been a director of Rohm and Haas Co. since 1977.

He graduated from Vanderbilt University with a B.S. degree in mechanical engineering in 1958, and received an M.B.A. in finance from Harvard University in 1963.

Wilson is a member of the board of directors of Vanderbilt University, the Vanguard Group of Investment Cos., and of the Chemical Manufacturers Association where he serves on the Executive Committee.

The election of Ashford and Hagenlocker to the company's board of directors was part of agreements reached with Tenneco Inc. and Ford Motor Co. in connection with their equity investments in Cummins in July of this year.

Cummins is a major producer of diesel engines, components and power systems for trucks and industrial equipment.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Proteon Inc. Wednesday announced that its internetworking products will support the emerging Frame Relay standard and DECnet Phase V, reaffirming the company's commitment to key internetworking standards.

The announcement follows Proteon's recent introduction of the industry's first multi-protocol router support for the IEEE 802.6 Metropolitan Area Network (MAN) standard.

Proteon is working closely with U.S. Sprint to ensure that its Frame Relay Implementation meets all specifications, and will participate in the industry's first Frame Relay testbed, to be staged by U.S. Sprint in the first quarter of 1991. Initial product support for the standard will be made available by Proteon in the second half of 1991, in conjunction with the general availability of the service by U.S. Sprint.

As the first internetworking vendor to deliver support for DECnet Phase IV on its multi-protocol bridging routers, Proteon has demonstrated consistent interoperability with this important standard. The company will provide support for DECnet Phase V in the second half of 1991 upon general availability of the standard.

Proteon: Providing the Network Infrastructure for the '90s

Today's commercial environments, predominantly token ring-based, require a reliable network infrastructure to support critical applications. Its distinct blend of token ring and internetworking expertise enables Proteon to provide dependable, high-performance physical network infrastructures comprised of bridge/router access points, token ring adapters, smart hubs and wiring strategies, and integrated network management.

From its ProNET-4/16 LAN family and JitterBuster technology to its internetworking routers and FDDI support, Proteon is the single physical network solution for today's global businesses.

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WOBURN, MA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Rand Technologies, the leading Preferred System Provider for advanced CAD/CAM/CAE systems, and CAD/CAM Integration Inc. (CCI) have announced a strategic marketing agreement under which Rand Technologies will sell CCIs Distributed Numerical Control and Machine Tool Monitoring Systems.

Under the agreement, Rand Technologies will provide direct sales and support for the manufacturing applications in the northeast and central domestic U.S. and Canadian discrete manufacturing markets. CCI will continue to develop and enhance the products, and supply technical training and support.

Distributed Numerical Control (DNC) provides electronic communications between computer aided design and manufacturing systems (CAD/CAM) and computer controlled machine tools on the manufacturing floor. Additional software applications are available to monitor the DNC-networked machine tools for production, maintenance and quality control reporting. The DNC application runs in standard MS-DOS and UNIX operating environments and includes engineering and manufacturing system interfaces.

Rand Technologies is a Preferred System Provider (PSP) of automation and application services for companies that require computer-aided design and manufacturing (CAD/CAM) systems, systems integration and support, and advanced applications training. Rand is uniquely positioned as a PSP of automation products, providing significantly better customer service, support and applications knowledge than the technology supplier.

Rand Technologies, based in Mississauga, Ontario, is part of Randvest Inc., a Canadian corporation with interests in engineering services and real estate. Rand Technologies has sales and support offices in Chicago, Detroit, Rochester Cincinnati, and Hartford that provide regional CAD/CAM/CAE services to companies like Northern Telecom, Motorola, TRW, Kodak, Chrysler, Bell Northern Research and Dupont.

CAD/CAM Integration Inc. (CCI), founded in 1983, is headquartered in Woburn,

Mass. CCI provides manufacturing data networks, communications systems and interfacing products for distributed numerical control of corporate, product management and shop floor manufacturing systems. These products provide a means to network, monitor, collect and validate manufacturing information from existing manufacturing systems.

CCI manufacturing communications systems are supported and available on standard operating environments including: UNIX, VMS, MS-DOS, and NetWare operating systems using standard personal computers, workstations and networking platforms. CAD/CAM Integration is the only vendor which supports a standards-based product strategy for all communications, networking and interfacing products.

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BATESVILLE, IN (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - At its meeting on Oct. 10, the Board of Directors of Hillenbrand Industries (NYSE:HB), declared a quarterly dividend of $.1375 per share, payable on Nov. 30, to shareholders of record on Oct. 26.

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NORTH STONINGTON, CT (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Analysis & Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:AATI) has purchased the Panama City Beach, Fla. assets of Matrix Corp. a private company headquartered in Vienna, Va., A. T. Mollegen Jr., president and chief executive officer of A&T, and Robert Kossan, president of Matrix Corp., jointly announced Wednesday.

The purchased assets include a multi-year U.S. Navy contract for marine engineering services including diving, salvage, and ocean engineering, plus other smaller contracts. All 41 former Matrix employees located in Panama City Beach became A&T employees.

Financial Terms were not announced.

''This purchase,'' Mollegen said, ''strengthens A&T capabilities and market position in a special U.S. Navy business area which we believe will continue

to grow in importance in this decade.''

Analysis & Technology Inc., a professional and technical services company, provides submarine and antisubmarine warfare services to the U.S. Navy and specialized training services for commercial and military markets.

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BOSTON (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Buying a $20 energy efficient light bulb for $3 is a great buy, but when you also lower your electric bill, protect the environment and help the Lions Clubs raise a half a million dollars for eye research, it's a fantastic buy.

It's called ''Lite for Sight'' and it's Boston Edison co. and the Lions Clubs of eastern Massachusetts teaming up between October 15 and November 15 to sell energy efficient light bulbs to raise money for eye research. Lions will sell the bulbs, which normally retail for about $20, for $3, with $2 of that going for the Lions' eye research charities.

The ''Lite for Sight'' promotion is sponsored by the Lions Clubs of Massachusetts and the Demand Side Management Settlement Board which consist of Boston Edison Co.; Attorney General James M. Shannon; The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Energy Resources, Paul W. Gromer, commissioner; The Massachusetts Public Interest Research Group (MASSPIRG); and Senator Bill Golden on behalf of certain named rate payers.

Local Lions Clubs have supported programs for 75 years to prevent blindness and for the past 25 years they have sponsored the annual sale of light bulbs to raise money for the prevention and cure of eye disease. The 1990 campaign will have a new look thanks to Boston Edison's Energy Fitness Program.

This year the Lions will offer new compact fluorescent light bulbs manufactured by OSRAM Corp. of Montgomery, N.Y. The 15 watt DULUX EL bulb replaces a 60 watt incandescent bulb, lasts 10 to 13 times longer and uses 75 percent less electricity and that means good news to your electric bill. Each bulb has an average 10,000 hour life expectancy.

The offer is for Boston Edison residential customers only and those customers were mailed an order form in the September billing. There will be a limit of four bulbs per household at the $3 price offered by the Lions Clubs. People buying the bulb through the Lions Club will save $17 off the retail price of each bulb and about $46 in energy costs over the life of the bulb.

Boston Edison's ''Lite for Sight'' program administrator Alice Quirk says

there are only winners in this program. According to Quirk, ''If 300,000 of the 60 watt incandescent bulbs are replaced with 15 watt OSRAM DULUX EL compact fluorescent bulbs, about $13.8 million in total energy costs will be saved.'' She added, ''electricity not needed means less electricity to be generated and that is good for our environment.''

''The 'Lite for Sight' program makes Boston Edison a national leader in improving residential lighting efficiency. In addition to reducing our dependence on imported oil, the program could actually reduce air emissions that cause acid rain and smog by over 1100 tons and prevent the release of over 100,000 tons of carbon dioxide -- the primary contributor to the greenhouse effect and global warming,'' said Alan Nogee, MASSPIRG Energy Program director.

Quirk said there are thousands of other winners in the program also and they are the people who benefit from the advances in the prevention and cure of eye disease. She stated, ''The concept of the program is to produce efficient light and a cleaner environment and help hundreds of thousands to visually enjoy the world they live in.''

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MENLO PARK, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Informix Software Inc. (NASDAQ:IFMX) announced that Informix-ESQL/COBOL will support the new Sun COBOL product introduced by Sun Microsystems Inc. Wednesday.

Informix-ESQL/COBOL is an application development tool that enables programmers to embed ANSI-standard SQL statements into their COBOL programs.

With Informix-ESQL/COBOL, developers can modify their existing COBOL programs to access Informix-based database applications on a wide range of Sun platforms.

Informix products that support Sun platforms include Informix-OnLine, the first database engine to combine fault tolerant support for on-line transaction processing performance (OLTP) with support for multimedia database applications, Informix's family of fourth generation programming tools and Wingz, Informix's graphical spreadsheet for multiple desktop platforms.

Informix software is available for all major Sun workstations, including the leading SPARCstation line of RISC-based workstations, the Sun-3 family and the Sun386i family. Wingz for Sun operates in the SunView windowing system or the compatibility mode of Open Windows.

Informix Software Inc. is a leading supplier of information management software providing solutions from the database through the desktop.

Informix products include powerful distributed database management systems, robust application development tools, and graphical-and character-based productivity software for delivering information to every significant desktop platform.

Informix is headquartered in Menlo Park, with European headquarters in London, and Asia/Pacific headquarters in Singapore.

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VENTURA, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Marshall Milligan, president and chief executive officer of Levy Bancorp, the parent of Bank of A. Levy, Wednesday announced that the board of directors approved a cash dividend of 8 cents per share of its common stock to be paid on Nov. 8 to shareholders of record on Oct. 25.

Although Bank of A. Levy was formed in 1882, Levy Bancorp, its parent, was formed in October 1968 and has consistently paid a dividend to shareholders since its inaugural dividend on July 7, 1969.

Prior to this announcement of dividends and Tuesday's release of record earnings, the company's common stock has been trading at from $19 to $20.50 per share since its 10 percent stock dividend paid in August 1990.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Telios Pharmaceuticals Inc. Wednesday announced it was awarded a Phase II-Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) grant for $500,000 from the National Institutes of Health to help support development of the company's first product, a topically administered agent designed to speed the healing of chronic and severe wounds.

According to James W. Polarek, Ph.D., Telios' director of wound healing research, the funds will be used for clinical-safety testing and manufacturing scale-up of the product called Telio-Derm.

Animal tests have shown the product acts as a temporary scaffold to which new cells can attach and grow until healing is completed. Human testing has been under way since late 1989, and is aimed at three wound indications -- serious thermal burns, skin ulcers and surgical wounds resulting from skin-cancer surgery of the head and neck.

''For nearly 4 million Americans, wounds of this type can fester for months or not heal at all,'' said Polarek. ''These funds will add to our aggressive program to develop products for this persistent problem.''

The wound-healing market worldwide is estimated at more than $4 billion annually. Telios is initially targeting the burn and chronic ulcer segments of this market, which is estimated at about $700 million a year.

To date, Telios has received more than $22 million in private funding, and receives additional support under a multimillion-dollar product development agreement with Ono Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd., of Osaka, Japan.

The company is developing other products, including treatments for ''dry eye'' (the corneal damage that results from inadequate production of tears), TGF-beta inhibitors to prevent abnormal tissue scarring of fibrotic diseases, products to control blood-clotting and biocompatible coatings for artificial implants such as vascular grafts, joint replacements and other orthopedic devices.

The SBIR program provides funds to qualified companies in order to accelerate basic research toward product development. In addition to the Phase II wound-healing grant, four Phase-I grants of approximately $50,000 each have been awarded to Telios.

Founded in 1987, Telios Pharmaceuticals is developing therapeutic products based on the company's proprietary technology.

Studies by its scientists have shown that the extracellular matrix -- a network of molecules that surrounds all cells in the body -- is critical to the way the body heals itself and combats disease. At the heart of Telios' technology is the ability to control how cells interact with this matrix.

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TEMPE, Ariz. (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - UDC Universal Development L.P. (NYSE:UDC) Wednesday reported third quarter closings, sales and backlog.

New home closings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 were $78 million, compared with the record $94 million posted a year ago.

Gary A. Rosenberg, chairman and chief executive officer, said ''UDC's results reflect further weakness in the national home building market in the third quarter.

''The demand for new homes, combined with lack of available product in California, have impacted UDC,'' he said. ''However, sales activities in other markets are relatively comparable to last year and fourth quarter California sales, reflecting our new products, should show an improvement compared with last year.''

UDC will announce third quarter and nine-month revenues and earnings in early November.

UDC builds quality, upscale family and adult residential communities in six Sun Belt states, with operations in Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina. Its common and preferred shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Cipher Data Products Inc., a leading designer/manufacturer of half-inch reel-to-reel and cartridge tape drives, Wednesday announced that it recently completed a restructuring program in its direct and technical distributor sales channels.

The changes were prompted by recent shifts in marketplace opportunities.

To balance its sales efforts between traditional OEM customers and the newer computer system aftermarket, the company strengthened its regional distributor network, reduced its direct sales force by 5 percent and closed its direct sales offices in Philadelphia and Irvine.

As a result of these actions, Cipher today has a strong network of 10 regional distributors across the United States and one national distributor, Arrow Electronics Inc. Regional distributors include Applied Digital Systems, Cranel Inc., Datalink, Digidyne, First Computer, Gentry Associates, Group III,

Mesa Technology and U.S. Data. Cipher's direct sales force continues to service OEM customers.

Cipher Data Products Inc. is a leading supplier of removable information storage solutions. Founded in 1968, the company designs, manufactures and markets a broad range of half-inch magnetic tape and cartridge drive systems providing interchange, data backup and storage solutions for a variety of computers.

Cipher is the choice of the world's leading computer companies and supplies tape drives to 17 of the top computer companies in the world. The company is located in San Diego, and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Archive Corp. of Costa Mesa.

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TUSTIN, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Luther Medical Products Inc. (NASDAQ:LUTH), which devlops innovative medical devices, Wednesday announced it has been awarded a $250,000 loan from Johnson & Johnson Finance Corp.

The loan will be used to bring new neurological and intravenous devices to market.

Under terms of the agreement, the loan is secured by Luther's first of two contracts with Critikon Inc., a Johnson & Johnson Co. in Tampa, Fla. The contract grants Critikon rights to market Luther's stickless catheter, now sold as Critikon's PROTECTIV.

''Our initial contract with Critikon has been one of the company's hidden financial strenghts that remained untapped until now,'' stated Tate Scott, president of Luther Medical. ''Luther Medical has a reserve of products that are ready for market. With the funding in place, we can begin to reap the benefits of those new product sales as early as this fiscal year.''

Luther Medical developed the first catheter to protect healthcare workers from infectious diseases such as AIDS and hepatitis. The company went on to develop a second line of catheters, a tiny neonatal device, which Critikon contracted to market in 1989.

In August, Luther Medical Anounced its first profitable year following a three-year restructuring. Sales for the year ended June 30, 1990 were $3,058,497 with positive net income at $16,000, up from a loss of $124,186 for the prior year.

Based in Tustin, Luther Medical Products has designed and manufactured unique catheter systems since 1980. The company's founder, Ronald B. Luther, is credited with holding more patents involving catheter technology than any individual in the world today. In 1987, the company acquired NDI, a manufacturer and distributor of high-technology human nervous system testing equipment.

CONTACT: JDI Communications Inc., Marina Del Rey
Rivian Bell, 213/827-2327

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BELLEVUE, WA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Puget Sound Power & Light Co. filed an innovative rate reform package Wednesday with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) that would modify the present regulatory system to make it practical for the utility to invest more resources in conservation.

In conjuction with this package, the company is also asking the WUTC for a $19.2 million increase in revenues to recover the costs of recent investments in conservation and power supply contracts needed to serve its growing customer base.

The request amounts to a 2.9 percent overall rate increase for the company's customers. The impact of the increase for the average residential customer will be offset by residential and small farm exchange credits Puget Power receives through the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA). These exchange credits will reduce the impact of the proposal to an increase of approximately six-tenths of a percent, or 33 cents per month.

''Growth in the Puget Sound area over the past year has put pressure on Puget Power to acquire additional resources,'' said Gary Swofford, vice president of Rates and Customer Programs at Puget Power. ''Conservation has the least environmental impact of any new resource,'' Swofford added, ''and both conservation and power contracts represent the least costly options available to the company today. They do, however, involve some added costs.''

The proposed rate reform package encourages conservation by providing a way for Puget Power to recover its costs for conservation on an annual basis and to maintain the revenues needed to provide utility services to its customers. Under current regulations, a utility's revenues are reduced as it pursues conservation.

The WUTC questioned the current regulatory approach because it appeared to conflict with the conservation ethic in Washington state. In May, the WUTC asked Washington utilities and interested parties to review current regulatory practices and to suggest reforms that would provide more incentives for

utility investment in conservation and other ''least-cost'' resources.

The proposal also provides ways for the company to annually recover costs associated with purchasing power from other entities and to adjust rates for factors, such as variations in rainfall, which are beyond Puget Power's control.

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Teri Van Duine, 206/462-3744 or
Jude Noland, 206/462-3710.

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CUPERTINO, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Addy Soreco has joined Cupertino National Bank (NASDAQ/NMS:CUNB) as vice president, Commercial Loans.

She will be responsible for initiating and managing individual commercial loan client relationships.

Soreco previously held positions as branch manager of Bank of the West and vice president/corporate lender with Pacific Western Bank.

Cupertino National Bank, with assets of $120 million, serves the mid-Santa Clara County market, specializing in commercial loans for local companies, construction lending to quality builders, Small Business Administration lending, and trust services to both individuals and businesses.

The independent bank features a ''one-stop banking'' philosophy emphasizing customized client service. Cupertino National Bank has dedicated itself to serving the financial needs of Santa Clara County while continuing strong support of the local community.

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Janet Bucknam, 408/996-1144, ext. 243

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Dayton Hudson Corporation today declared its regular quarterly dividend of 33 cents per common share. The dividend is payable December 10, 1990 to shareholders of record November 20.

The fourth-quarter dividend on common shares will be Dayton Hudson's 93rd consecutive dividend paid since October 1967, when the corporation became publicly held. Dayton Hudson has increased the dividend on common shares annually for 18 consecutive years.

CONTACT: Dayton Hudson Corp., Minneapolis
Media: Ann H. Barkelew, 612/370-6600
Investor: Pamela A. Jameson, 612/370-5529
Susan Kahn, 612/370-6735

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The Liberty Network Station Series G was introduced by Liberty Electronics at InterOp Wednesday in San Jose.

The Network Station features compatibility and connectivity under Novell, DOS, OS/2, UNIX and X-Windows operating systems and environments. It operates at up to 25MHz and offers expandable memory up to 16Mb.

The flicker-free, high resolution display, compact ergonomic features, uncomplicated maintenance, data security, industry-standard Ethernet connectivity, quiet operation, and worldwide service and support are what make the Liberty Network Station a standard by which all other network stations will be judged.

Keith A. Orser, president of Liberty, summed up the importance of the Network Station this way: ''We looked at the user's needs and carefully developed a product to meet those varied needs. Our experience over the past decade in this industry allowed us to design a product that gives each user an edge.''

The Liberty Network Station offers the latest surface mount technology -- providing speed and power in a compact package requiring less than 91-square inches of deskspace.

There are also ports for a mouse, a parallel printer, and a modem. All of this combined with advanced VGA graphics capabilities and competitive pricing, makes the Liberty Network Station the all-purpose answer when it comes to networking.

The Network Stations will be sold to OEMs and through Liberty's existing distribution network. Liberty has national and regional distribution in the United States, as well as major distributors in Europe and other parts of the world.

Liberty supports its products through a worldwide service network. Liberty Electronics has come to be known as a company offering quality, reliability and support...all at very affordable prices.

Liberty has been providing high quality ASCII/ANSI terminals since 1982. Combining all of that experience with a leading-edge research and development team, Liberty created this new integrated Network Station which offers an

''all in one'' solution to networked computing needs.

CONTACT: Liberty Electronics, South San Francisco
Steve Fritz, 415/742-7000.

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WACO, TX (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Corp. (NASDAQ: ASKC) said Wednesday that it has moved closer to a decision to re-enter the solar thermal market through its American Solar King Corp. subsidiary.

ASK had previously announced that it was considering reactivating American Solar King Corp. pending a study of market conditions and discussions with various investment advisors.

ASK said continuing price increases in world oil markets, the probability of sustained high oil prices and increased public support for solar and alternative energies have strengthened market potential for solar products.

ASK also said various investment sources have expressed enthusiasm for reactivating solar manufacturing and market operations. The company said, however, a complete study has not been finalized and a firm decision has not yet been made.

ASK said it has broken off negotiations with the Sheet Metal Workers' National Pension Fund and another institution regarding a previously announced infusion of capital because, as previously announced, the capital would be primarily used for the acquisition of certain technologies and the equity of another company.

In view of current circumstances, ASK now believes such an investment would not be in its long term best interests.

CONTACT: ASK Corp., Waco, Texas
Brian D. Pardo, 817/776-3860

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LOS GATOS, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Caere Corp. (NASDAQ:CAER) announced 1990 third-quarter revenues of $7,056,000, up 37 percent from third quarter 1989 revenues of $5,148,000.

Net income was $1,442,000, an increase of 35 percent compared with $1,066,000 in the third quarter of 1989, despite an increase in tax rates from 14 percent in 1989 to 39 percent in 1990 due to the full utilization of net operating loss carryforwards.

Net income per common share was 28 cents for the quarter compared with 30 cents in 1989, achieved despite both the increase in tax rates and the 49 percent increase in shares outstanding due to the company's initial public stock offering in October 1989. Pre-tax income increased 85 percent from $1,251,000 in 1989 to $2,319,000 in 1990.

The increase in revenues resulted from increased sales of the 386 version of OmniPage and from sales of Caere's newest product, The Typist, that began shipping in September 1990. Revenues from the OmniPage family of products amounted to $4,571,000 for the third quarter of 1990 compared with $3,104,000 in 1989, an increase of 47 percent.

OCR and bar code net revenues were $2,485,000, an increase of 22 percent from the comparable quarter in 1989. This increase was consistent with quarterly sales fluctuations experienced in the past.

Caere designs, develops, manufactures and markets information recognition software and systems products that provide a low cost, accurate means of converting text, numeric, and bar code data into computer usable form.

CONTACT: Caere Corp., Los Gatos
Blanche Sutter, 408/395-7000

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TORONTO (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Avalon Corp. (NYSE:AVL) Wednesday announced it plans to sell its 32 percent interest in Poco Petroleums Ltd. of Calgary, together with Avalon's option to acquire 32 percent of Voyager Energy Inc., also of Calgary.

Corona Corp., which owns approximately 71 percent of Avalon, has indicated separately that it plans to sell its position in Poco also.

In addition to the proceeds from the sale of its Poco interest and Voyager option, Avalon's remaining assets consist of producing oil and gas properties in the United States as well as cash.

The board of directors and management of Avalon are continuing their analysis of the company's future strategic options. Shareholders will be kept advised as developments proceed.

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Corona Corp.
Igor Levental or D. Brian Way, 604/669-1011 (Vancouver)

416/862-2000 (Toronto)

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SEATTLE (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Washington Energy Co. Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend of 34 cents a share on the $5.00 par value common stock, payable Dec. 10, 1990, to holders of record as of Nov. 16, 1990.

CONTACT: Washington Energy Co., Seattle
Dorothy Bracken, 206/382-7849

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Anthem Electronics Inc. reported net sales, net income and earnings per share for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

The company's net sales for the third quarter were $100,169,000 compared to $82,599,000 for the third quarter a year ago, a 21 percent increase. The company's net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $310,230,000 compared to $229,171,000 for the like period last year, a 35 percent increase.

Net income was $5,466,000 for the third quarter compared to $4,279,000 for the like quarter last year, a 28 percent increase. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30 was $17,824,000 compared to $10,802,000 for the like period last year, a 65 percent increase.

Earnings per share for the third quarter were 46 cents compared to 38 cents for the like quarter last year, a 21 percent increase. Earnings per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $1.50 compared to 96 cents for the like period last year, a 56 percent increase.

Anthem Electronics Inc. distributes a broad range of semiconductors and subsystems to original equipment manufacturers throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Anthem Electronics, San Jose
Robert S. Throop, 408/453-1200

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Intercontinental Enterprises Inc., (NASDAQ:ENTI) announced Wednesday that its wholly owned subsidiary, Toplus Development Ltd., has signed a letter of intent with Tianjin Trust and Investment Co. Ltd. (''Tianjin Trust''), to found the People's Venture Capital

Fund (''the Fund'').

Tianjin Trust is a financial services company involved in domestic and international investments, fundraising, leasing and securities activities; and also provides financial consulting and trust services in the People's Republic of China (''PRC'').

The People's Venture Capital Fund will invest operating capital in Chinese companies and will be located in Tianjin, a major city located in PRC. ENTI and Tianjin Trust have each committed to invest one million dollars to found the open-ended Fund, and intend to raise additional capital through the sale of equity securities to the public in PRC. ENTI and Tianjin Trust will jointly manage the Fund. ENTI believes this to be the first investment of its kind in PRC.

ENTI reports consolidated revenues of $2,321,000 for the second quarter ended July 27, 1990. Consolidated revenues for the second quarter of 1989 were $4,720,000. The consolidated net loss for the quarter was $3,975,000 (5 cents per share), as compared to a net loss of $1,575,000 (2 cents per share), in the second quarter of the prior year. These losses include recorded losses on the discontinuance of the company's subsidiary, Blinder Robinson & Co. Inc., of $3,241,000 and $2,024,000 for the second quarters ended July 1990 and 1989 respectively.

The company's results of operations excluding the discontinued operations of Blinder, Robinson were a net loss of $734,000 and a net income of $448,000 for the second quarters ended July 1990 and 1989 respectively. The results of operations for the second quarter of 1989 were restated to exclude the operations of Blinder, Robinson which filed bankruptcy in July 1990.

CONTACT: Intercontinental Enterprises Inc., Englewood
Thomas G. Krough, 303/779-1900

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SEATTLE (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Burlington Resources Inc. (BR) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 17-1/2 cents per share on the company's common stock.

Dividends will be paid on January 2, 1991 to shareholders of record on December 14, 1990.

Common stock outstanding in the hands of the public on September 30, 1990 totaled 139,944,074 shares.

CONTACT: Burlington Resources Inc., Seattle
D.L. Pope, 206/467-3846

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Intercontinental Enterprises Inc., (NASDAQ:ENTI) announced Wednesday that its wholly owned subsidiary, Toplus Development Ltd., has signed a letter of intent with Tianjin Trust and Investment Co. Ltd. (''Tianjin Trust''), to found the People's Venture Capital Fund (''the Fund'').

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Peter Steen, president and chief executive officer of Corona Corp. (TSE:ICR.A/ICR.B;ASE:ICR.A) announced Wednesday that the company plans to sell its position in Poco Petroleums Ltd. (TSE) of Calgary, Alberta.

In the two years since Corona acquired the largest share position in Poco Petroleums, the financial position and structure of that company has been transformed, making it a very attractive investment in today's oil and gas environment.

Corona's board of directors now consists of Norman Anderson of Vancouver; Peter Cole of Toronto; Myron Gottlieb of Toronto; John Ivany of Vancouver; John McMillan of Toronto; Lord Shaughnessy of London; Barry Sparks of Toronto; William Trebilcock of New York; John Williams of Maryland; with Paul Carroll of Toronto and Timothy Hoare of London as vice chairmen; and Ned Goodman of Toronto as the non-executive chairman and Peter Steen of Vancouver as president and chief executive officer.

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416/862-2000 (Toronto)
John Ivany, 604/669-1011

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SEATTLE (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Resources Inc. (BR) announced today that Thomas H. O'Leary has been elected Chairman of the Board replacing Richard M. Bressler, who has retired as Chairman but will continue to serve as a Director of the company.

In addition to his new responsibilities as Chairman, Mr. O'Leary will continue to serve as President and Chief Executive Officer of BR, a position he has held since January 1989.

Mr. O'Leary, 56, has been with BR and its predecessor company, Burlington Northern Inc. (BNI), since 1982 when he was elected a Vice Chairman of BNI. Prior to that, Mr. O'Leary was President of Missouri Pacific Corporation. He graduated from Holy Cross College and has an MBA from the Wharton School of Finance. Mr. O'Leary is also a Director of The Kroger Co.; Interco, Inc.; B.F. Goodrich, Co.; and Burlington Northern Inc. He is a resident of Seattle, Washington.

BR also announced the election of S. Parker Gilbert to its Board of Directors.

Mr. Gilbert, 56, has been Chairman of Morgan Stanley Group Inc. since 1984. He also serves as a trustee for a number of institutions, is a member of the Yale Investment Committee and a Director of the New York Stock Exchange. Mr. Gilbert is a resident of New York City.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Resources Inc. (BR) announced today that George E. Howison has been elected Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, effective November 1, 1990.

He replaces Luino Dell'Osso, Jr. who has been elected Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer with the El Paso Natural Gas Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of BR.

Mr. Howison, 45, has been with the company since 1983 and most recently served as Vice President, Planning and Treasurer of BR. He graduated with a BS in engineering from MIT and has an MBA from Dartmouth College. Mr. Howison resides in Bellevue, Washington.

H. Brent Austin was elected to the position of Vice President, Planning and Treasurer to replace Mr. Howison. Mr. Austin, 36, joined the company in 1986 as Director, Planning and was promoted to Assistant Vice President, Planning in 1989. He is an alumnus of the University of Texas, where he earned a BA in economics and an MBA. Mr. Austin is a Mercer Island, Washington resident.

Everett D. DuBois has been promoted to the new position of Assistant Vice President, Planning and Treasury. An employee of BR and its predecessor companies since 1969, Mr. Dubois, 46, most recently served as Assistant Treasurer. He holds both a BS and an MS in economics from South Dakota State University. Mr. DuBois is a resident of Bainbridge Island, Washington.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Teledyne Inc. Wednesday reported that income of continuing operations was $9.1 million, or 17 cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $43.5 million, or 79 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Operating profit has decreased in each quarter of 1990 from the comparable quarters of 1989. The aviation and electronics segment continued to experience cost overruns on certain defense contracts. The economic slowdown in the steel and automotive industries contributed to the decline in operating profit in the specialty metals segment.

Operating profit also declined from 1989 due to continued strikes at certain engine manufacturing locations in the industrial and aviation and electronics

segments. In addition, income for the third quarter of 1990 was adversely affected by strengthening aircraft product liability reserves. Sales were $846.4 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $875.8 million for the third quarter of 1989.

Income of continuing operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $68.4 million, or $1.24 per share, compared with $111.5 million, or $2.01 per share, for the same period in 1989. Sales were $2.57 billion for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $2.65 billion for the same period in 1989.

Income of continuing operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, includes a reversal of a $7.7 million provision for income taxes which is no longer necessary as a result of the spin-off of Teledyne's insurance and finance subsidiaries at March 31, 1990.

Teledyne's former insurance and finance subsidiaries are presented as discontinued operations. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $9.1 million, or 17 cents per share, and does not include any amount for discontinued operations. Net income for the same period of 1989 was $78.7 million, or $1.42 per share, including $35.2 million for income of discontinued operations.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $94 million, or $1.70 per share, including $25.6 million of income of discontinued operations reported in the first quarter. Net income for the nine-month period of 1989 was $196 million, or $3.53 per share, including $84.5 million of income of discontinued operations.

A cash dividend for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of 20 cents per share was paid on Aug. 21, 1990, to shareholders of record Aug. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: Teledyne Inc., Los Angeles
213/277-3311, ext. 4268

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COOS BAY, OR (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Bank (NASDAQ:WSBK) maintained a pattern of sound profitability in the third quarter 1990, reporting a 22 percent rise in net income.

Net income for the third quarter 1990 was $1,194,000, or 50 cents per share fully diluted, up from $982,000, or 46 cents per share, earned in the same period of 1989. For the first nine months of the year net income of $2,968,000, or $1.30 per share fully diluted, compared with $2,632,000, or $1.23 per share, earned during the first nine months of 1989.

An 18 percent boost in net interest income during the current quarter reflects increasing deposit totals and the investment of those funds, particularly in the growing loan portfolio. Net interest margin remained favorable.

Non-interest income was up 15 percent with a rise in deposit account fees and other service charges and a strong gain in trust department income over the third quarter 1989.

Total loans made a 16 percent jump to $219,212,000 for the third quarter 1990 over third quarter 1989, and total deposits were up 19 percent to $448,100,000.

''Oregon's economy continues to perform well, contributing to the substantial increases in our loan portfolio and to deposit growth,'' said Georges C. St. Laurent Jr., chairman and chief executive officer. ''We are alert to every opportunity to reinvest in our communities and want to make all the good loans we can. We will carry on with our conservative approach to lending, placing foremost emphasis on the security and soundness of the bank.''

Western Bank total assets are at a record $488,716,000 on Sept. 30, 1990, up 20 percent from the year-ago figure. Shareholder equity, convertible debentures and loan loss reserves for the 31-branch institution stand at $37,099,000.

CONTACT: Western Bank, Coos Bay
Michael L. Sickels, 503/269-4214

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - In a 10-minute court hearing on Oct. 3, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge James W. Meyers dismissed a motion to liquidate Kaypro Corp.

The Chapter 7 motion, originally filed by creditors and the U.S. trustee, was reversed after a comprehensive review of the company's recent financial records.

After experiencing significant financial difficulties, in March the computer manufacturer sought creditor protection under Chapter 11. Kaypro creditors supported Chapter 7 conversion during June, citing a lack of financial progress. The case was then continued, pending the installation of new upper management.

In August, the decision on the motion was continued until Oct. 3, which gave the newly appointed president and chief executive officer, Geoffrey W. Soule', time to take control.

''We view the court's decision as a vote of confidence in Kaypro's future,''

said Soule'. ''Kaypro generated some encouraging sales numbers during August. What's more, I feel the company has the potential to maintain that positive trend.''

Kaypro reported gross sales of $821,000 and a net operating profit of $63,000 for August, the first profitable month in nearly seven years. Those sales figures more than doubled July sales of $406,000, while June sales totalled $84,000. Soule' attributes Kaypro's recent financial progress to streamlined operations and a new emphasis on sales.

''We have reduced our overhead significantly through lowering the rent payments and subcontracting much of the manufacturing,'' explained Soule'.

''Also, we have increased our sales volume on three fronts: 1) through shipping a sizable order backlog in the instrument division (Non-Linear Systems), 2) through an ongoing revitalization of Kaypro's retail dealer network, and 3) through exploring new distribution channels such as mass merchandisers.''

Soule' also noted that Kaypro is preparing its formal plan of reorganization, which will be presented to the court on Jan. 31.

With nearly four decades of experience in the high-tech/electronics industry, Kaypro is an internationally recognized brand name. Currently, Kaypro Corp. enjoys a user base of more than a half-million computer systems worldwide and markets a full line of microcomputers for businesses and individuals.

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   Nancy Casey, 619/259-1288.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Identix Inc. (NASDAQ:IDXX; PSE:IDX), a manufacturer of electronic finger scanning systems for identity verification and security applications, Wednesday announced results for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, ended June 30.

Revenues were $358,000 for the quarter with a net loss of $679,000, or 7 cents per share, compared with revenues of $413,000 and a net loss of $575,000, or 6 cents per share, for the like quarter of 1989.

Revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, were $1,241,000, compared with $1,872,000 for the previous year. The net loss for fiscal year 1990 was $2,845,000, or 30 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $2,543,000, or 29 cents per share, for fiscal year 1989.

According to Identix President Randy Fowler, the company expects the contract

it recently received from the State of California, which is worth up to $40 million over the next five years, to contribute significantly to the company's growth in 1991. The contract, which is the largest in the industry to date, calls for Identix to provide law enforcement authorities with up to 600 of its TouchPrint systems.

''The combination of this contract and anticipated sales in other market segments puts us in a strong position for growth over the next several years '' said Fowler.

Identix Inc., with headquarters in Sunnyvale, designs, manufacturers and markets a family of identity verification systems that combine high accuracy with ease of use. Identix systems are used in a wide range of security applications in the public and private sectors.

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or
Tycer Fultz Bellack Public Relations, Palo Alto
Andrea Grindeland, 415/354-8837.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Argonaut Group Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:AGII) Wednesday announced consolidated net income after tax of $21.7 million ($2.38 per common share) on total revenue of $172.3 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, and $63.0 million ($6.80 per common share) on total revenue of $459.3 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the third quarter last year, net income was $22.7 million ($2.36 per common share) on total revenue of $149.6 million. For nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, net income was $63.4 million ($6.36 per common share) on total revenue of $404.4 million.

Consolidated operating income after tax (excluding gains on the sale of investments) was $21.5 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $22.6 million for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, operating income after tax was $60.9 million, compared to $62.8 million for the like period last year.

Total revenue includes a net gain on sales of investments of $300,000 for the current quarter, and a net gain of $3.1 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In 1989, gains on sales of investments were $200,000 for the third quarter, and $900,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30. Current year gains resulted primarily from the sale of investments in Earle M. Jorgensen Co. in response

to a tender offer. The company cannot anticipate when or if similar gains may occur in the future.

Investment income for the current quarter and nine-month period includes a dividend of $12.8 million received on shares of Curtiss-Wright Corp. held for investment.

On July 27, 1989, the Argonaut Group board of directors authorized the repurchase of up to 2 million shares of its outstanding common stock.

The company reacquired 269,191 shares during the third quarter of 1990 for a total to date of 672,275 shares. In July 1990, the board of directors authorized a program to purchase shares from holders of less than 50 shares.

Argonaut Group is a holding company whose subsidiaries are primarily engaged in the selling, underwriting, and servicing of workers compensation and other lines of property-casualty insurance. Argonaut Group is traded on NASDAQ's National Market System.

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Jim Halliday, 415/858-6575.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Phillip R. Boyce, chairman of Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. (ASE:PWB), Wednesday commented on the Tuesday, Oct. 9, announcement by Alpha Capital Co. that it has increased its holdings to 841,558 shares, or 6.8 percent of the common stock of the company.

''As we have stated in the past, we continue to view Alpha Capital as a friendly investor in the company and we appreciate its continued confidence in our future growth,'' said Boyce.

''Over the past two months, we have announced two stock repurchase plans totalling up to 1 million shares, demonstrating our belief that our common stock is an excellent investment opportunity at current price levels,'' continued Boyce. ''Pacific Western's stock, in our opinion, is undervalued when our returns and capital ratios are considered.

''We continue to experience strong earnings growth as marked by our 1990 second quarter, which was the 10th consecutive quarter in which earnings exceeded the same period a year earlier.''

Alpha Capital Co. is a private investment company in Oakland. In May 1990, Alpha Capital announced it had increased its holdings in Pacific Western to 623,828 shares, or 5.1 percent of the common stock.

Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. is a bank holding company with headquarters in San Jose. Through its subsidiaries, the company offers trust and asset management services. The holding company's subsidiary, Pacific Western Bank, has $1.3 billion in assets and is one of two major independent banks in Northern California. The bank operates 28 locations in Santa Clara, Santa Cruz and Monterey counties.

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GREENWICH, CT (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Stolt Tankers and Terminals (Holdings) S.A. (NASDAQ:STLTF) Wednesday reported results for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 1990, ended August 31, 1990.

Net income from operations for the third quarter was $12.4 million, or $0.46 per share on net operating revenue of $147 million, compared to $15.3 million, or $0.56 per share on net operating revenue of $140 million for the same three month period in 1989. In addition to net income from operations, a nonrecurring gain of $0.4 million, or $0.01 per share from ship sales increased total net income to $12.8 million, or $0.47 per share for the quarter ended August 31, 1990. A $7.2 million, or $0.26 per share gain from a distribution from a former partner in the Stolt Tankers Joint Service increased total net income to $22.5 million, or $0.82 per share for the same quarter in 1989.

Net income from operations for the nine month period ending August 31, 1990 was $38.8 million, or $1.44 per share on net operating revenue of $439 million compared to net income from operations of $43.6 million, or $1.60 per share on net operating revenue of $387 million for the same period in 1989. Total net income for the nine months of 1990 was $59.4 million, or $2.20 per share, including nonrecurring gains of $20.6 million, or $0.76 per share from ship sales. Total net income for the same nine month period in 1989 was $55.8 million, or $2.05 per share, including nonrecurring gains of $12.2 million, or $0.45 per share from an insurance settlement and a gain from a distribution from a former partner in the Stolt Tankers Joint Service.

Although revenues for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 were ahead of 1989, net income from operations for the respective periods was slightly below last year. The share of revenue after voyage expenses which the Company receives from the Stolt Tankers Joint Service has been reduced because of the sale of six ships to Stolt Partner S.A. during the second quarter of 1990.

The crisis in the Middle East since early August has not directly affected the Company's tanker trading patterns and revenues, but higher bunker fuel prices resulting from the invasion have had an impact.

Operating costs have increased due to the weaker U.S. dollar, inflation and rising ship repair costs. Management feels that this increase may be passed along through bunker fuel price clauses in contracts and higher spot freight rates due to the strengthening of the parcel tanker market.

During the quarter, the Company continued to expand the services offered to its customers by ordering two more all stainless steel 5,000 deadweight ton coastal parcel tankers in Japan, for a total of four -- all for operation in the Stolt-Nielsen Inter Europe Service; and by forming Stolt-Nielsen Leasing as a new division of Stolt Tank Containers.

Since the end of the quarter, two 39,000 deadweight ton parcel tankers, which had been on time-charter and are ideally suited for certain of the Company's tanker trades, were purchased at auction; and the management of Van Ommeren Ceteco, with whom Stolt has an agreement to operate its Owner's Berth in Rotterdam, has agreed to the sale of its 825 tank container fleet to Stolt-Nielsen subsidiaries. All of these moves are being made to strengthen the Company's position as the leader in bulk liquid distribution.

Stolt Tankers and Terminals (Holdings) S.A. is an international transportation company specializing in the distribution of bulk liquids both by land and sea. The Company operates worldwide with 21 offices in 12 countries. Stolt-Nielsen provides distribution services among most maritime countries with its combination of transoceanic and coastal parcel tankers; door-to-door intermodal tank container service throughout the world, combined with tank container leasing; five regional storage and distribution centers in the United States, Northwest Europe and Brazil; as well as barges, railcars and tank trucks.

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BOSTON (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Partners, a Boston-based limited partnership, Wednesday finalized its acquisition of the Gartner Group, a wholly owned subsidiary of Saatchi & Saatchi Co. PLC.

Under terms of the agreement, Gartner Group Management and Information Partners will pay $63.5 million to Saatchi & Saatchi. Gideon Gartner, founder

of the Gartner Group will remain as chairman and chief executive officer.

Gartner Group Inc., based in Stamford, Conn., supplies market research, product data and strategic analysis to vendors and users of information technology. It serves the chief information officers of more than 1,000 diverse corporations worldwide.

Information Partners, based in Boston, is a limited partnership specializing in information industry management buy outs. An investment partnership, Information Partners acquires companies in partnership with management. Information Partners capital includes a broad mix of corporate, institutional and individual investors, including Dun & Bradstreet and Bain Capital. Through these relationships, Information Partners provides significant resources to the management of its portfolio companies to help them augment their growth.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - ''I am pleased to report that, based upon operating earnings, the third quarter of 1990 was the second strongest quarter in our history,'' stated Bram Goldsmith, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of City National (NYSE:CYN).

''Operating earnings for the quarter amounted to $14.2 million, or 44 cents per share, compared with $13.9 million, or 43 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.''

For the first nine months of 1990, City National reported operating income, excluding non-recurring income, of $41.5 million, or $1.28 per share. That figure is slightly less than the record $41.6 million, or $1.29 per share, earned during the same period last year.

Total net income, including non-recurring net income, amounted to $42.5 million, or $1.31 per share, 5 percent lower than the $44.7 million, or $1.38 per share, earned during the first nine months of 1989. Non-recurring net income amounted to $1 million for the first nine months of 1990, compared with $3.1 million for the same period in 1989, which was largely from the sale of the two desert branches.

City National's operating return on equity averaged 18.1 percent during the first nine months of 1990, compared with 21.4 percent during the same period last year. Operating return on average assets was 1.22 percent, compared with 1.36 percent last year. These performance measures exclude the effects of non-recurring income and, as usual, are among the strongest of banks with more

than $1 billion in assets.

Loan growth continued strong throughout the first nine months of 1990. At Sept. 30, loans were up 14 percent compared to a year ago. Total deposits were up 9 percent, with most of the increase resulting from interest-bearing deposits.

Asset quality remains very strong. During the first nine months of 1990 City National's loan loss reserve averaged 1.35 percent of total loans, increasing from 1989's 1.31 percent average. Non-performing loans, although up, averaged a low .87 percent of total loans during the quarter. City National does not own any foreclosed real estate properties.

City National is the parent company of City National Bank, a $4.9 billion commercial bank with 23 regional offices and headquarters in Beverly Hills.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Ungermann-Bass, the information processing industry's leading open enterprise network systems supplier, Wednesday announced its intention to participate in a Pacific Bell trial of the new Switched Multimegabit Data Service (SMDS).

SMDS is a high-speed communication service that can be used, among other things, for the interconnection of local area networks.

The trial will include the interconnection of several locations via Pac Bell's internal SMDS test bed using a prototype interface inside of the Ungermann-Bass Access/One intelligent hub. The objective is to validate the technology and to evaluate potential advanced applications of SMDS in a customer environment. It is expected that most enterprises which have geographically separate facilities will benefit significantly from the application.

Initially, SMDS will provide instantaneous 1.544-megabits-per-second (DSI) or 44.736-Mbps (DS3) access to a high-speed switched fiber-optic network. Eventually, the service will offer higher transmission rates such as 150 Mbps.

The Pac Bell trial is scheduled to run until spring 1991 and focus on a number of online applications such as medical, engineering and financial services that currently use LAN technology. When elements of these systems are geographically separated, they require high-speed, internetwork communication services. SMDS will meet these requirements in metropolitan areas and potentially across longer distances.

Pacific Bell is a subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, a diversified worldwide telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - ln response to user demands to combine online transaction processing (OLTP) with the ability to share data throughout an organization, Ungermann-Bass and Tandem Computers Inc. (NYSE:TDM) have announced a joint development effort to significantly improve the network connection between Tandem systems and Ungermann-Bass' Access/One intelligent wiring platform.

The joint development will focus on enhanced networking of end user devices, such as PCs, Macintosh computers and terminals in the Tandem environment, over Transmission Control Protocol/lnternet Protocol (TCP/IP).

A prototype of one of the key cooperative projects, a TCP/IP-based Tandem 6530 terminal connectivity software package expected to be available in the first half of 1991, is being demonstrated at the trade show in both Tandem's (1322) and Ungermann-Bass' (936) booths.

According to Roger Bertman, vice president of marketing for Ungermann-Bass, joint development of networking products is part of an on-going effort to provide seamless connectivity between the two companies product lines.

The Access/One is a smart wiring hub which uses a number of plug-in system modules that support an array of end-user devices ranging from terminals and PCs to LocalTalk-based Macintosh computers and integrates them into an Ethernet, broadband or Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI) backbone.

Bertman added that other joint development products will also be based on the Access/One platform.

Tandem manufactures and markets computer systems and networks for online transaction processing, large database applications, and the UNIX system marketplace. Company headquarters are located at 19333 Vallco Parkway, Cupertino, Calif. 95014, 408/285-6000.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Ungermann-Bass Wednesday introduced a 10BASE-T standard-compliant concentrator and Twisted-Pair Access Unit (TPAU) for the Access/One intelligent wiring platform.

Both provide backward-compatibility for pre-10BASE-T standard devices with the flip of a single switch.

The company is debuting the Access/One 10BASE-T Concentrator and TPAU at the Interop trade show in San Jose.

The concentrator, a managed active repeater, provides signaling for up to twelve 10BASE-T ports at 10 megabits per second (Mbps) over twisted-pair (telephone) wiring. The TPAU is an external transceiver which provides 10BASE-T signaling for an Ethernet device. Both products comply with the recently approved Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) 802.3 10BASE-T standard.

As part of the Access/One system, the new 10BASE-T products are easily integrated into multiple protocol, multiple-media and multiple-site networks. In an optional mode the concentrator supports device distances exceeding 150 meters on unshielded twisted-pair wiring -- significantly farther than comparable products.

For users with IBM Type 1 and 2 cabling, even longer device distances are supported.

The Ungermann-Bass Access/One 10BASE-T Concentrator and 10BASE-T TPAU are available immediately.

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INCLINE VILLAGE, NV (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Leisure Inc. announced the appointment of Robert J. McLaughlin as acting chief executive officer to guide the company and its subsidiaries through a financial restructuring.

McLaughlin, credited with the successful restructurings of a series of companies, said, ''Within six months we expect to identify a course of action that will lead to successful emergence of U.S. Leisure and its subsidiaries from Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.''

U.S. Leisure Inc. and its subsidiaries, U.S. Leisure International Inc., Little Lake Industries Inc. and Muskin Inc., filed for reorganization Aug. 6, under Chapter 11 of the bankruptcy code.

McLaughlin was given full operating responsibilities by the management committee of the board of directors of the privately held corporation.

In announcing the appointment, Dennis Meyer, senior vice president of finance, said that McLaughlin brings ''successful history, judgement and skills of an elite order to a company with all the requisite elements to advance and thrive.''

Meyer said that he was confident that by streamlining procedures and eliminating redundant operations the company would expeditiously resolve cashflow problems caused by overly optimistic sales forecasts, weather and sluggishness in the economy.

The announcement of McLaughlin's appointment was greeted with approval by Security Pacific Business Credit, which agreed in September to provide $61

million in financing, subject to approval of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court. A hearing on the matter was scheduled for Oct. 12.

''We are pleased with the announcement of Bob McLaughlin's appointment to help carry out this transition,'' a Security Pacific Business Credit spokesman said.

The announcement followed the recent death of Miles F. Sullivan, who was the owner and president of U.S. Leisure Inc. and who had participated in the search and had approved of McLaughlin's selection. Sullivan was known for his highly successful development of U.S. Leisure Inc. into a company with approximately $95 million in sales. He had been president of the company since 1981.

U.S. Leisure Inc. manufactures above-ground swimming pools and quality leisure furniture. The company has headquarters in Incline Village. Little Lake Industries Inc. has headquarters in Willits, Calif., and Muskin Inc. is headquartered in Wilkesbarre, Pa.

The company also has facilities in Calhoun, Ga., near Atlanta; Alexandria, Ind.; Watsonville, Calif.; Pottstown, Pa.; Candler, N.C.; Cedar Lake, Mich.; and Cicero, Ind.

McLaughlin is president of the Sutter Group of Greenbrae, Calif., a management consulting firm which specializes in turning around financially troubled companies and was most recently credited with the successful restructuring of AWD Technologies.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - As part of an on-going strategy of offering standards-based support to key systems within an enterprise network, Ungermann-Bass Wednesday introduced the Net/One LAT/TCP Protocol Enhancement for the Access/One intelligent wiring platform.

Ungermann-Bass is the first intelligent hub vendor to provide terminal services for Transmission Control Protocol/lnternet Protocol (TCP/IP) and Local Area Transport (LAT) resources from a single hub.

Net/One LAT/TCP, which is being demonstrated at the Interop trade show in San Jose, provides efficient and cost-effective terminal access to Digital Equipment Corp. systems using Digital's native LAT protocol.

Net/One LAT/TCP is software downloaded to the Access/One Asynchronous Interface Module (ASM-100), leveraging the investment customers have made in

their existing modules and providing the most complete terminal server solution available today.

Because Net/One LAT/TCP is part of the Access/One wiring hub, network managers can take advantage of centralized management functions from the Network Management Console (NMC). Comprehensive configuration, performance and fault management information can be monitored, reviewed and modified through easy-to-use, full-screen network management tools. Net/One LAT/TCP also supports Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) and Digital's Terminal Server Manager (TSM).

Ungermann-Bass' Net/One LAT/TCP will be available in December 1990. The ASM-100 Asynchronous Interface Module is available immediately.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Ungermann-Bass Wednesday announced a multimillion dollar agreement with the Chicago Board of Trade, in which the Santa Clara, Calif.-based networking manufacturer was named the primary vendor in a major trading floor network installation.

The network revamp is an integral part of a strategic technology plan developed by the Chicago Board of Trade to ensure that the largest commodity trading organization in the world maintains a competitive advantage.

Roger Bertman, vice president of marketing for Ungermann-Bass, said that the installation, which includes more than 75 of the company's Access/One structured wiring enclosures, a network delivery system which transports data over standard telephone wire, will support more than 2,000 end-user devices including PCs, terminals and printers, as well as provide Tandem 6530 connections on the trading floor.

He noted that this network installation illustrates that Ungermann-Bass is the vendor of choice in financial markets where preserving existing equipment

investments, network management and fault-tolerance are key concerns.

The Chicago Board of Trade and Ungermann-Bass have developed an aggressive network design which will be implemented in several phases. The first stage, underway in late September, involved the pulling of more than 400,000 feet of fiber and Ethernet cable in the two trading floor buildings.

Initially, all data will be transferred on the fiber optic cable using Ethernet technology with an eventual upgrade to Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI). To ensure complete redundancy in the network configuration, four separate backbones have been designed and will be installed with dual connections to each location on the trading floor.

The Tandem systems are an integral component of the network and will be connected directly to the backbones.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE -SynOptics Communications Inc. (NASDAQ, NMS:SNPX) Wednesday announced the election of John C. (Jack) Lewis, 54, to the SynOptics board of directors.

Lewis joined Amdahl Corp. as its president in 1977. He became chief executive officer in 1983 and was appointed chairman of the board of Amdahl in 1987. Prior to joining Amdahl he spent seven years with Xerox Corp., where he held positions including vice president of marketing for Xerox Data Systems and president of Xerox Business Systems.

He began his corporate career in sales for IBM's Service Bureau Corp. (SBC) in 1960. When he left IBM in 1970, he was responsible for SBC product planning.

In addition to being chairman of Amdahl's board of directors, Lewis is a director of Vitesse Semiconductor Corp., is on the advisory board at Santa Clara University's graduate school of business, is a member of the American Business Conference, and serves on the boards of directors for the California Chamber of Commerce, the Bay Area Council, and the Santa Clara County (Calif.) Manufacturers Association.

With annual sales in excess of $2 billion, Amdahl is a major supplier of powerful mainframe computers, data storage subsystems, and data communications products. The company also develops systems software and provides educational and consulting services.

SynOptics Communications Inc. designs, manufactures and markets local area networking products based on its Network Utility Architecture, a value-added product strategy which incorporates network connectivity, internetworking, and network management solutions into an integrated networking system.

Revenue of $77.3 million was reported for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989. Earnings for the same period were $9.4 million or 61 cents per share (adjusted for July 20, 1990 stock split). The company is headquartered at 501 E. Middlefield Road, Mountain View, Calif. 94043.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Strengthening its support of industry and de facto standard network management platforms, SynOptics Communications Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SNPX) Wednesday announced it will extend its network management strategy to integrate LattisNet Network Management with UNIX management station platforms.

The company will demonstrate working prototypes of management applications based on Sun Microsystems' SunNet Manager and additional UNIX platforms at the INTEROP 90 show held in San Jose, Calif. Wednesday to Friday (Oct. 10 to Oct. 12).

SynOptics chose SunNet Manager as the first platform for development of UNIX-based network management applications because of its status as a market leading technology.

The SunNet Manager platform offers a robust set of tools that are provided as part of the application. When combined with advanced LattisNet Network Management this provides customers with powerful and comprehensive management and control capabilities, while protecting their investment in installed systems and trained technicians.

The combination of LattisNet Network Management and SunNet Manager will result in powerful new applications in the near-term.

SynOptics' support of existing global management platforms such as SunNet Manager and NetView allows customers to integrate the powerful management

capabilities provided by LattisNet Network Management into their enterprise-wide management systems.

This approach is complementary and consistent with the management system architectures of leading systems vendors. Customers get the dual benefit of the support, insight and infrastructure of a large systems vendor, in addition to the value-added applications of SynOptics and other third parties that also reside on their networks.

In combination with extending LattisNet Network Management support in UNIX environments SynOptics plans to enhance the capabilities of all of its network management offerings by developing a variety of value-added applications. Initial applications will build on existing LattisNet architectural capabilities including Expanded View and automatic topology mapping.

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SynOptics' common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System. Revenue of $77.3 million was reported for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989. Earnings for the same period were $9.4 million, or 61 cents per share (adjusted for July 1990 stock split). The company is headquartered at 501 E. Middlefield Rd., Mountain View, Calif. 94043. Telephone 415/960-1100.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Verbatim Corp. Wednesday introduces its new 5-1/4 inch rewritable optical disks.

This new product comes just days after the introduction of Verbatim 4MB floppy diskettes.

Verbatim's rewritable optical disks operate in Mitsubishi disk drives as well as in other 5-1/4 inch optical drives.

A tough, protective layer makes these disks virtually impervious to moisture, dirt, air pollution and extreme temperatures, and the media is structured for more than 100 million write/erase cycles. Optical disks have all the advantages of floppy diskettes - removability, portability, and fast access to data - yet one optical disk stores enough data to fill more than 21 30MB hard

drives.

Additionally, optical disks are much more durable than hard drives. This durability means that stored data is expected to last at least 10 years, and perhaps as long as 100 years, on a Verbatim optical disk.

The capacity, random accessibility and durability of Verbatim optical disks make them ideal for unattended back-up; archival storage; document management; external memory for mainframes, minis, micros, word processors and local area networks; text and graphics filing systems; financial database storage; and desktop publishing and CAD libraries.

Suggested retail price for each disk is $353.43. Verbatim Corp., headquartered in Charlotte, is a world leader in computer information storage products, including optical disks, floppy diskettes, reel tape and data cassettes and cartridges.

For more information about optical disk technology, write or call Verbatim Corp., 1200 W.T. Harris Blvd., Charlotte, N.C. 28213; 800/538-8589.

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SAN LORENZO, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - On Monday the board of directors of McGrath RentCorp (NASDAQ:MGRC) declared the date for the next quarterly dividend.

The quarterly dividend will be 16 cents per share to all shareholders of record. The record date for the quarterly dividend will be Oct. 22, 1990, and it will be paid on Oct. 31.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Medco Reserch Inc. (MEDCO) (NASDAQ:MEDR/BSE:MRE.B) was the subject of an article in the Oct. 8, 1990 issue of Barron's.

Normally, Medco does not comment on Barron's views.

However, since Barron's stated that it has written ''on a couple of occasions in the last three years,'' about ''a little drug company called Medco Research''; and since Medco is quite puzzled why Barron's continues to exhibit such keen interest in Medco, out of a universe of many thousands of small public companies, Medco decided to review the previous articles to see if it could detect some traits that are common to these stories.

Medco discovered that these articles contained one-sided analyses which provided a negative bias and background for predictions of future financial viability and events concerning Medco.

For instance, in July 1987, Barron's stated that, ''At the end of May, Its (Medco's) third fiscal quarter, all it had to show for nine years of existence was a cumulative loss of $1.9 million, barely 30 cents a share in book value and less than $800,000 in cash, which at the latest quarterly rate of outgo, won't last more than six months.''

Obviously Barron's prediction of Medco's impending financial shutdown did not come to pass.

In October 1990, Barron's referred again to Medco's financial condition and this time stated, ''As its uninterrupted flow of red ink suggests, so far anyway, this approach, while cutting down on costs, hasn't yielded a bonanza in sales and has yet to return as much as a thin dime in profits.''

It is ironic that Medco, which Barron's predicted would run out of money back in 1987, is now being faulted in 1990 for not yet having produced a ''bonanza'' in sales.

Nonetheless, while Medco has not generated any profits to date, it has accomplished the next best thing. Namely, Medco commenced generating royalty revenues from U.S. sales of its first product and significantly decreased its net loss.

What Barron's did not tell its readers is that Medco has generated $898,000 of total revenues, derived primarily from royalties, for fiscal year 1990, a four-fold increase compared with fiscal year 1989, while at the same time reduced its net loss to $690,000, which represents a decrease of about 32 percent vs. fiscal 1989. (These figures are still preliminary and subject to final audit.)

In addition, Medco still has no long-term debt. Furthermore, as described in detail in prior public reports, Medco is developing several new drugs in addition to Adenocard and Adenoscan.

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JACKSON, MS (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - KLLM Transport Services Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:KLLM) Wednesday reported results for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 7 percent to $31,823,000 from $29,754,000 reported for the third quarter of 1989. Net income increased 41 percent to $985,000, compared with $700,000 in the like period a year ago. Earnings amounted to 38 cents per share, up 39 percent from 28 cents per share in the comparable 1989 period.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 8 percent to $93,955,000, compared with $86,637,000 in the first nine months of 1989. Net income rose 40 percent to $2,472,000, or 96 cents per share, compared with $1,764,000, or 69 cents per share, in the like period a year ago.

William J. Liles, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, commented: ''We are pleased to report on continued improvement in our results. In the third quarter, the operating ratio improved to 91.6 percent, compared with 92.6 percent in the same period last year.

KLLM Transport Services Inc. is an irregular-route common carrier that specializes in temperature-controlled transportation of various commodities throughout the United States.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Management Technologies Corp. (''IMTECH'') (NASDAQ: IMTKA (Class A Common), IMTKU (Units), IMTKW (Class A Warrants)) Wednesday announced that it has expanded the services it provides to Barclays Bank PLC, Oppenheimer & Co. and American Express.

IMTECH's management expects these expanded services to further contribute to revenues in the current quarter which ends Dec. 31.

Pierce Lowrey, chairman and CEO of IMTECH, and long-time micrographics industry leader, commented, ''Expanding the services we provide to our current customer base remains as a key element to our strategy for continued growth. We have expanded the scope of mailroom and duplicating services that we offer to Barclays and have assumed all printing services for Oppenheimer.

''In addition to the printing duties we now perform for American Express, IMTECH will also handle the daily production and dissemination of their in-house news briefing, 'The Daily News.' With an established customer base of over 300 corporate clients and the expansion of the services we offer to these and other clients, we continue our substantial penetration of the industry.''

IMTECH provides on-site and off-site ''outsourcing'' of a wide range of back office services to firms in the services sector. These services include an optical data storage system - Computer Output INformation System (COINS), electronic publishing, fulfillment, printing, reproduction and general mail room operations.

IMTECH's information facilities management (''IFM'') capabilities provide companies with the ability to contract out ancillary services to reduce operating costs and improve productivity, thereby allowing management to focus on its primary corporate objectives.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix-based America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) reported September 1990 traffic at 885.5 million revenue passenger miles, an increase of 51 percent over September 1989.

Available seat miles for the month rose 42.5 percent to 1.6 billion compared with 1.1 billion during 1989. America West reported a passenger load factor for September 1990 of 55.3 percent, up 3.1 points from September 1989.

The airline also reported third quarter 1990 traffic increased 49.9 percent over the same period in 1989 to 3 billion revenue passenger miles. Available seat miles grew 40.2 percent over 1989 to 4.9 billion while load factor rose 4 points over 1989 to 61.6 percent.

America West again was the nation's leader in on-time performance in August with 84.8 percent of its flights arriving within 15 minutes of schedule. The carrier is the national champion in on-time performance for 1989, 1988 and since the Department of Transportation began mandatory reporting in 1987. America West serves 60 cities from coast to coast and across the Pacific to Honolulu, utilizing a fleet of 96 Boeing aircraft including 747s, 757s, 737s and de Havilland Dash 8s.

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JOHNSON CITY, TN (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Vance W. Cheek, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Home Financial Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:HFET) Wednesday announced results for the third quarter of 1990, which included a 13 percent increase in net interest income and higher earnings before investment transactions, compared with the like period last year.

The company's results also reflected continued growth in savings deposits and an increase in total capital to more than $100 million vs. $98.6 million at the end of 1989.

In a related matter, Cheek also reported that the Office of Thrift Supervision recently completed its review of the company's wholly owned subsidiary, Home Federal Savings and Loan Association of Upper East Tennessee. This examination resulted in no material adjustments to Home Federal's total loan loss reserves or significant comments on its mortgage lending policies.

''Because of Home Federal's traditionally conservative lending practices, we naturally believed that our loan classifications and total loan loss reserves were adequate, even considering today's economic environment,'' said Cheek.

''We, therefore, were very pleased to have this assessment affirmed by regulatory reviewers. We believe their suggested increase in our reserves of approximately $200,000 is immaterial compared with our already existing reserves of $5.3 million.''

Regarding the company's third quarter results, Cheek noted that net interest income rose to $5,778,000 from $5,109,000 in the like period last year and reflected a provision for loan losses of $361,000 vs. $141,000 last year. Included in the provision this year was both the company's normal quarterly addition to reserves and the addition suggested by the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Net income for the quarter totaled $2,261,000, or 52 cents per share, compared with $2,370,000, or 53 cents per share last year. Third quarter results for 1989 included a pre-tax gain on the sale of investment securities totaling $564,000.

For the first nine months of 1990, net interest income increased 7 percent to $17,162,000 from $15,991,000 in the year-earlier period. Net income was $6,709,000, or $1.52 per share vs. $6,870,000, or $1.54 per share in the like period last year. The year-earlier results included pre-tax gains on the sale of investment securities totaling $939,000; these gains have not recurred in 1990.

Cheek pointed out that the company repurchased approximately 114,000 shares of common stock during the third quarter of 1990, increasing to nearly 171,000

the total number of shares repurchased since the company's stock repurchase program was initiated in May 1990. A total of 400,000 shares are authorized under this program.

''Obviously, we are quite pleased with the company's performance thus far this year,'' said Cheek. ''At a time when many other financial institutions are having to boost loan loss reserves substantially and thereby suffer lower earnings, Home Financial continues to report moderate and sustained growth in its operations according to a conservative philosophy, underscored by $100 million in total capital.''

Home Financial Corp. is the holding company for Home Federal Savings and Loan Association of Upper East Tennessee, which is the leading financial institution headquartered in the region. Federally chartered in 1934, the Association offers a broad line of lending and financial services through eighteen offices strategically located across the Upper East Tennessee area.
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NORWOOD, MA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Technologies Ltd. has announced new products and a joint development agreement with Intel Corp. that the company says should have a major impact on growth of the small form-factor PC market: laptops, notebooks, and handhelds.

Phoenix announced the industry's first family of ''merchant'' systems software products that can help new and established vendors cut product development costs and get to market quickly.

The company also announced the first product of a joint development effort with Intel, an off-the-shelf system design kit, the VIP 8000SX Express Notebook Design Kit, using the new Phoenix system software and Intel's 82340 laptop/notebook chip set.

The BIOS (basic input/output system) is a necessary component in every computer because it maintains communications management -- and assures basic compatibility -- between software applications and hardware.

Manufacturers of small form-factor PCs have had to overcome some fundamental design barriers -- the need for ''small-footprint'' packaging and battery-power operation, for instance -- and have had to use custom-designed integrated circuits to provide power-management and other processor-support functions.

The new products announced include BIOS (basic input/output system) software tailored for laptops and ''LCD'' graphical displays; plus new Phoenix-designed

power management software -- called Miser(TM) -- that extends battery life by controlling processor and peripheral activity and by providing ''suspend/resume'' features.

The joint development agreement with Intel Corp. calls for BIOS, power management and other systems software to be tuned to Intel processor and support chip sets.

Phoenix Technologies Ltd. designs, develops and markets systems software products for personal computers and laser printers. Its products allow OEMs to offer their customers computers and printers that are compatible with industry standards. More than 300 of the major personal computer and peripherals manufacturers rely on Phoenix for its system-level software and hardware compatibility expertise.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - BizMart Inc. (NASDAQ: BZMT), one of the nation's leading office product superstore retailers, will open its first two or three BizMart Office Products Supercenters in the Central Valley and Bay area of northern California before the end of the company's current fiscal year ending in April 1991.

Ron Stegall, president and chief executive officer of BizMart, told a group of investors during a meeting today in New York that the northern California area has the potential of 15 to 20 stores over the next year or so.

The company will also be entering Oregon and Washington this fiscal year, with the first store opening in Portland this coming week.

BizMart Inc., operates a chain of high-volume office products superstores in 15 markets in Texas, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, Utah and Oregon.

Over 7,000 brand-name, high-quality products are sold to small and large businesses at everyday low prices that are discounted 40 to 60 percent from manufacturers' suggested retail prices.

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DAYTON, OH (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Mead Corp. (NYSE:MEA) Wednesday reported third quarter net earnings of $45.8 million, or 72 cents per share, which included an extraordinary gain of 9 cents per share resulting from the repurchase of debt, and a one-time 5 cents per share charge to cover settlement of a long-standing patent infringement suit with Unisys Corp.

Net earnings for the same period in 1989 were $69.7 million, or $1.06 per common share, which included a non-recurring gain of 23 cents per share from the sale of Mead Release Products.

Third quarter earnings from operations, excluding the extraordinary and non-recurring items mentioned above, were 68 cents per share, down 18 percent from 83 cents per share in the third quarter a year ago.

Mead's net earnings for the first three quarters were $131.4 million, or $2.07 per share, vs. the previous year's total of $184.5 million, or $2.83 per share for the same nine months.

Sales for the quarter were $1.27 billion, up slightly from 1989 sales for the period, which were $1.20 billion. Sales for the first three quarters of 1990 were $3.64 billion, compared to sales of $3.53 billion for the same period of 1989.

The company also reported that the start-up of its new coated paperboard mill near Phenix City, Ala., is ahead of schedule and proceeding smoothly. The expanded mill, representing an investment now expected to total $580 million, will add more than 1,000 tons per day of coated paperboard capacity for use in beverage packaging and folding cartons.

The company also reported that it is making good progress in addressing the temporary operating problems which adversely affected several of its pulp and paper mills in the second quarter. Mead's mill at Escanaba, Mich., had an outstanding quarter, with operations returning to customary levels. A planned shutdown at the Chillicothe, Ohio, mill for electrical system improvements penalized earnings, but should pave the way for greater reliability in operating performance in the future.

Among the company's distribution and consumer businesses, Zellerbach and Mead School & Office Products posted modest sales gains, but earnings were off due to margin pressures and lower volume of value-added products, respectively.

Continuing retrenchment among large law and financial firms in the U.S. which use electronic information services slowed Mead Data Central's growth rate and reduced earnings in those markets. However, usage of Mead's NEXIS news retrieval service among corporate clients and the news media continues to grow at a good pace. The company continued its investment during the period in database quality improvements and new technology.

The company reported that 1,698,600 common shares had been repurchased during the first three quarters at prices ranging from $31-1/2 to $23 per share.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - MagneTek Inc. (NYSE:MAG) Wednesday announced the acquisition of Officine Elettro Meccaniche Marinato (OEMM), Milan, Italy, a manufacturer of lighting components, in a transaction valued at over $10 million.

The announcement was made by Frank Perna Jr., MagneTek's president and chief executive officer.

Founded in 1949, OEMM is one of Europe's leading manufacturers of lighting transformers, such as fluorescent lamp ballasts. The company also makes a variety of transformers for outdoor and emergency lighting applications, including high-intensity-discharge and halogen lighting systems.

MagneTek OEMM will operate as part of MagneTek Europe, the company's rapidly growing European strategic business unit. With headquarters in Bonn, Germany, MagneTek Europe offers a wide variety of electrical equipment throughout the continent and the United Kingdom.

In addition to MagneTek OEMM and MagneTek Germann, MagneTek Europe now includes electric motor plants in the United Kingdom and Hungary, a service organization in the United Kingdom and a power products operation in Germany.

Founded in 1984, MagneTek Inc. manufactures Energy Engineered(TM) lighting ballasts, transformers, motors, generators, drives and controls, and provides electrical equipment repair and rebuilding srvices to utilities and industrial customers. The company operates more than 50 manufacturing and service facilities in North America and overseas, and employs some 15,000 associates. MagneTek reported sales of $1.1 billion for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE:PIR), announced that its board of directors declared a four cents per share

quarterly dividend on the company's outstanding shares of common stock.

The cash dividend is payable Nov. 15, to shareholders of record Nov. 1.

Pier 1 Imports is a specialty retailer of decorative home furnishings with 543 stores in North America.

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COLUMBUS, IN (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Cummins Engine Co. Inc., a major manufacturer of diesel engines, components and power systems, declared a quarterly common stock cash dividend of 55 cents per share, payable on Dec. 14, to shareholders of record on Nov. 30.

The board also declared a quarterly cash dividend of 87.5 cents per depositary share of its convertible exchangeable preference stock, payable on Dec. 30, to shareholders of record on Nov. 30.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - H. David Hale, chairman and president of The Cumberland Federal Bancorporation Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CMBK), Wednesday announced that net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1.25 million (50 cents per share).

As a result, the bank's net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was reduced to $.53 million (21 cents per share).

Stated Hale: ''Third quarter earnings, while not outstanding, are solid. Furthermore, fourth quarter earnings are anticipated to be comparable to those of the third quarter, returning the bank to profitability for the year.''

The Cumberland Federal Savings Bank is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Cumberland Federal Bancorporation Inc., whose common stock trades on the NASDAQ National System under the symbol CMBK. Founded in 1886, The Cumberland has assets of $1.4 billion and is the largest federal savings bank and the third largest financial institution headquartered in Kentucky.

Corporate offices are located in Louisville with 41 offices located in 11 cities throughout the state. The Cumberland offers a full line of banking services with special emphasis on real estate and consumer lending.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Battle Mountain Gold Co. (NYSE:BMG) has declared a quarterly dividend on its common stock of 2 1/2 cents per share, payable Nov. 19 to shareholders of record on Nov. 5.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Data General Corp. introduced File Transfer, Access and Management (FTAM), Virtual Terminal and OSI/Platform software Wednesday at Interop '90.

These three Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) products are for Data General AViiON servers and multi-user computer systems. With this introduction, Data General offers a UNIX systems-based OSI communication product line that conforms to Government OSI Profile (GOSIP) specifications, mandatory for many U.S. and European government procurement contracts.

The new products expand Data General's existing set of OSI products, which consists of a complete seven-layer OSI implementation on Data General's AOS/VS II operating system. Data General's new OSI products comprise the following:

-- FTAM for AViiON Systems lets Data General users on an OSI-based network perform file transfer and management functions with other systems that comply with the OSI FTAM specification, over Ethernet and wide-area networks.

-- Virtual Terminal Protocol for AViiON Systems enables AViiON users to remotely log on to other GOSIP compliant systems, over Ethernet and wide-area networks. Virtual Terminal Protocol for AViiON Systems supports the Telnet and Transparent profiles as defined by the National Institute of Standards and Technology. Data General is the first system vendor to introduce a GOSIP compliant virtual terminal product.

-- OSI/Platform for AViiON Systems offers a common networking platform for current and future AViiON OSI applications, allowing user applications to

interoperate in a multivendor environment. The product, composed of OSI layers two through seven, includes a programmatic interface that lets users develop custom applications that access OSI transport services.

Data General OSI/Platform for AViiON Systems uses X.25 for AViiON Systems, announced last February, for wide-area connectivity. The OSI/Platform for AViiON Systems will also coexist with other Data General networking applications such as DG TCP/IP and NetWare for AViiON Systems, Data General's version of Novell's Portable NetWare.

Data General is demonstrating how these products interoperate with other major information vendors' products at Interop '90 (Booth 1922). For example, users of FTAM for AViiON Systems are transfering files to other OSI users operating on IBM, DEC, Hewlett-Packard, NCR, Unisys Corp., Sun Microsystems, Retix, and The Wollongong Group Inc. computer systems.

Data General is participating in the Interop '90 OSI Demonstration, the Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI) Demonstration and Simple Network Management Protocol (TCP/IP network) Demonstration.

Interop '90 with over 10,000 people attending, represents one of the leading U.S. trade shows focusing on networking and multivendor communications. Data General is a manufacturer of computer and communication systems for business, industry, education and government.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Data Communications, a McGraw-Hill magazine, Wednesday introduced the fourth edition of ''McGraw-Hill's Compilation of Open Systems Standards'' at Interop '90 Exhibition and Solutions Showcase, held through October 12 in San Jose, Calif.

The six volumes offer users instant access to domestic and international standards, including new, revised, or reafirmed standards. Standards are sets of procedures that govern the interaction of computers, terminals and networks which have been formally adopted and widely accepted by manufacturers, user groups, and standardization bodies. The compendium is edited by Harold C. Folts, a pioneer in the field of open systems standards. Folts is president of Omnicom Inc., an organization he founded specifically to provide information and education to industry on specific network protocols.

According to Joseph Braue, editor-in-chief of Data Communications, ''Progress in data communications and open systems hinges on the ability of diverse components of complex networks to trade information.

Because information transfer requires a common basis for communications, we have gathered in this book standards published by all U.S. and international organizations dedicated to norms in data communications, and to the development of truly open systems.''

The compendium -- cross-referenced and indexed for ease-of-use -- is designed for all organizations exploring, planning, developing, designing, or using data communications equipment or networks. It includes standards from all key organizations:

--International Telegraph and Telephone Consultative Committee (CCITT)

--Electronic Industries Association (EIA)

--National Institute of Standards and Technology (NISI)

--National Communications System (NCS)

--International Organization for Standarization (ISO)

--European Computer Manufacturers Association (ECMA)

--American National Standards Institute (ANSI)

--U.S. Government

CCITT is an organ of the Geneva-based International Telecommunications Union (ITU), which develops recommendations for communications-based technologies such as packet switching (X.25), Open System Interconnection (OSI), Message Handling Systems (MHS), ISDN, modems, and facsimile; ISO's ITC 1 ''Information Technology'' committee, along with the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), is the key joint technical committee in the development of Open System Interconnection standards; ANSI is a U.S. voluntary group which develops American National Standards in the area of data communications, encryption, text and office systems, and OSI; EIA is a national trade association involved in the development of standards to enhance the growth and competitiveness of the electronics industry.

The six-volume set is priced at $775.00. For additional details and ordering information, please contact Brunny Ayala at Data Communications, 1221 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N.Y. 10020; tel. 212/512-3149; facsimile 212/512-6590.

Data Communications, a monthly McGraw-Hill magazine, reaches 80,000 worldwide professionals responsible for the purchase, use, planning and design of their companies' computer networks.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The integration of computer and television technologies to create the first video workstation for television production has resulted in an Emmy award for Pinnacle Systems Inc. of Santa Clara, Calif.

The awards dinner was held in New York Tuesday evening at the Sheraton Centre Hotel.

Pinnacle was founded in 1986 by a group of engineers with computer industry backgrounds. The industry's first Video WorkStation was delivered by Pinnacle a year later.

Today there are over 1,000 Pinnacle Video WorkStations in use in broadcast, commercial and industrial television production facilities around the world.

The company introduced its most advanced video workstation, The Prizm, last month at the International Broadcasters Convention, in Brighton, England.

Pinnacle Systems Inc. is located at 2780 Walsh Ave., Santa Clara, Calif., 95051. Telephone is 408/970-9787. Fax is 408/970-9798.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The Leslie Fay Companies Inc. announced Wednesday that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to one million shares of the company's common stock.

The repurchased shares will be held in the treasury of the company, and used for general corporate purposes.

Leslie Fay is a leading manufacturer of women's dresses, suits and sportswear. Its common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol LES.

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BETHESDA, MD (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Survival Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:SURV) Wednesday announced results of operations for its fiscal year ended July 31.

As previously anticipated, the company also reported its third consecutive quarter of profitable operations, with a net income of $440,100, 15 cents per share, for the fourth quarter of its fiscal year ended July 31 on sales of $7.5 million compared to a net loss of $125,000, 4 cents per share, on sales of $4.3 million for the comparable period in fiscal year 1989.

However, profitability in each of the last three quarters of fiscal year 1990 was not sufficient to offset a previously reported first quarter loss. A portion of this loss included certain non-recurring costs incurred by the company in connection with its plan to downsize and restructure operations. As as result, the company recorded a net loss of $360,900, 13 cents per share, for its fiscal year ended July 31 on sales of $20.1 million compared to a loss of $1.4 million, 51 cents per share, on sales of $16.6 million in the prior fiscal year.

The company continues to make significant progress in the expansion of sales of its commercial products. Production and deliveries under new commercial contracts which commenced in the second quarter of fiscal year 1990 have contributed significantly to the current year sales growth and aided the company's return to profitable operations.

The company expects to report a profit in its fiscal year ending July 31, 1991 due in part to anticipated sales of its commercial products to Bristol-Myers and Syntex Laboratories Inc. and continues sales growth of the company's EpiPen Auto-Injector.

Fiscal 1991 results also will benefit from contracts aggregating $10 million received from the U.S. Department of Defense and other allied foreign governments for the production and delivery of military auto-injectors containing nerve gas antidotes. Deliveries under these contracts are expected to be completed by the end of the company's second quarter ending January 31, 1991.

The company also announced that it has signed a new three-year Revolving Credit Agreement with Barclays Bank PLC to replace its previous bank financing. The new financing structure includes a guaranty from and related agreements with the Estate of the company's late founder, Dr. Stanley J. Sarnoff. The agreements provide a credit facility of $4 million and an interest rate less than that charged under the company's previous bank arrangement.

Survival Technology Inc. provides innovative pharmaceutical delivery systems and cardiac monitoring services for the treatment of emergency medical

problems. The company's products include automatic injectors for self-administration by the military, as well as injectors such as the EpiPen auto-injector containing epinephrine for severe allergic reactions and the LidoPen auto-injector (lidocaine) for treatment of cardiac arrhythmias.

Survival provides complete sterile parenteral contract filling and packaging services for prefilled syringes, including pharmaceutical research and development services. The company also operates a transtelephonic cardiac monitoring service for high-risk heart patients and markets the CardioBeeper ECG transmitters.

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Perini Corp. Wednesday announced that its affiliate, Monenco Ltd., a Montreal-based engineering and project management company in which Perini has a 33 1/2-percent interest, is part of two groups which have been awarded two major multi-million dollar contracts covering engineering, procurement and project management service on the $4.5 billion Hibernia offshore oil project, approximately 195 miles southeast of St. John's, Newfoundland.

The first contract is through a joint venture interest in Newfoundland Offshore Contractors and covers two distinct scopes. One calls for engineering and procurement of the topsides portion of the offshore installation. The topsides consist of five large modules of plant and equipment to be erected on a concrete platform (gravity base structure) standing in 260 feet of water on the continental shelf of the Grand Banks of Newfoundland.

The topsides represent about half the capital value of the Hibernia project. Engineering and procurement will employ some 600 people.

The other scope of work covers project management services. The project will be managed by a task force drawn from the members of the Hibernia consortium and Newfoundland Offshore Contractors (a Joint Venture). The project team, working from St. John's, across Canada and at sources of supply of equipment, material or services around the world, will peak at over 200.

The second contract was awarded to ShawMont Newfoundland Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Monenco Ltd., by the NODECO consortium to provide engineering support for the design of the gravity base structures.

The engineering for this project will be carried out primarily in Newfoundland by ShawMont, working in close collaboration with Doris Engineering of France,

a member of the NODECO consortium and a recognized world leader in the design of offshore concrete structures. The gravity base structure for Hibernia will be the largest in the world.

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DALLAS (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - FINA has agreed to buy nine existing retail gasoline stations in Plano, Allen, and McKinney, Texas from Young Oil Co. and Cedar Crest Investments for an undisclosed amount, according to Henry J. Lartique Jr., FINA's vice president for marketing.

''With this purchase, we expect FINA to become the number two marketer in the North Dallas are in terms of volume,'' said Lartique. ''The purchase represents our first move into the Allen and McKinney markets, and the stations we plan to buy in Plano will further strengthen our position there.''

FINA currently owns and operates 41 gasoline stations in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex, in addition to 195 distributor served FINA branded stations. The nine new properties, which are currently branded Shell stations, will all be converted to the FINA brand and will be operated by FINA.

Lartique said the stations will undergo a $4.7 million upgrading, with many of the stations being razed and rebuilt.

Each of the new FINA stations will feature a full-line convenience store and car wash, and will look similar to FINA's flagship station at the intersection of Preston and Frankford in North Dallas.

Many of the stations also will feature FINA's popular touch-free car wash, which can accommodate oversized vehicles, such as Suburbans and vans, as well as family sedans.

Lartique said it will take three months from the time a station is closed to the time the upgrading work is completed and the station is reopened. All stations are scheduled to be reopened by March 31, 1991.

Each station will sell FINA's unleaded regular, mid-grade, and premium-grade Genesis gasolines, which contain a second generation proprietary additve that cleans dirty engines, allowing more efficient fuel burning with fewer air emissions and increased mileage. In addition, the stations situated on North Central Expressway will offer diesel.

The sale of each station is pending completion of an environmental assessment. Completion of all the purchases is expected by the end of the year. Some of

the construction will begin this year.

Fina Oil and Chemical Co., the main operating subsidiary of American Petrofina Incorporated (ASE: APIA), engages in crude oil and natural gas exploration, production, and marketing; petroleum products refining, transportation, and marketing; and chemicals manufacturing and marketing. Organized in 1956, it is part of an international group of companies affiliated with Petrofina S.A., which is headquartered in Brussels, Belgium.

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ORLANDO, FL (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - From its Developer Conference here Wednesday, Nantucket Corp. announced that sales of the new release of its flagship product, Clipper 5.0, have exceeded all expectations.

Although distributors Ingram Micro-D and Merisel committed to substantial quantities of the product in advance, most of it sold through to end users in the first ten days, and both distributors continue to place record-breaking orders. Nantucket's second production run is underway, as the company scrambles to meet their restocking orders.

According to Larry Heimendinger, president of Nantucket, the entire initial production run of more than 40,000 copies has been shipped, only three weeks after release. ''We filled the nearly 20,000 upgrade orders before shipping product to distributors, as promised. While we're thrilled with the new sales of Clipper 5.0, we are concerned about the increasing scarcity of the product in the channel.''

Merisel's vice president of products, Linda Kroog, calls Clipper's sales pace ''very unusual for a specialized programming product. Obviously there is a lot of demand for the programming power that the product promises for PC application developers.''

Record-breaking sales of Clipper are not just a U.S. phenomenon. Clare Winter, marketing manager for Nantucket UK Ltd., reports that most upgrade orders will be completely filled by next week, and that distributors throughout Europe have already sold their initial allocation and reordered. The initial German production run of 20,000 copies of Clipper 5.0 shipped last week, and Nantucket's German subsidiary expects sales to match the pace of the English versions.

Nantucket will ship Spanish, French and Portuguese versions of Clipper 5.0 within several weeks, and Polish and Cyrillic versions by the end of the year.

Founded in 1984, Los Angeles-based Nantucket Corp. is the leading developer of application development systems for personal computers. Nantucket products are distributed internationally through offices in the Soviet Union, subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, Germany, Japan, Belgium and Brazil, and a network of full-service distributors throughout the world.

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BOWLING GREEN, KY (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Trans Financial Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: TRFI), a bank holding company serving southcentral Kentucky, reported that its third quarter earnings were substantially the same compared with the same quarter in 1989.

The company said its third quarter earnings were $725,000 (58 cents per share) as compared with $727,000 (58 cents per share) for the same quarter in 1989. On a fully diluted, per share basis, earnings were 50 cents for both periods.

For the year to date, earnings were $2,126,000 ($1.70 per share) as compared with $2,064,000 ($1.65 per share) in 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share for the first nine months were $1.47 versus $1.41 in 1989.

Total assets for the Bowling Green-based company increased to $363 million at Sept. 30, 1990, from $345 million a year ago. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Douglas M. Lester compared the quarters by noting that consumer and corporate loan growth and fee income generated from deposits were offset somewhat by higher operating expenses, most notably, higher FDIC insurance premiums.

The corporation's pending acquisition of First Financial of Russellville Inc. has received approval by the Federal Reserve and should be concluded in the fourth quarter of the year, subject to the approval of the First Financial shareholders, as well as other regulatory authorities.

Trans Financial, a holding company for The Citizens National Bank of Bowling Green and Citizens Bank and Trust Co., Glasgow, Ky., serves southcentral Kentucky through nine offices.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - First Indo-American Bank reported

Wednesday that net income for the nine month period ended Sept. 30 increased 211 percent compared to the like period in 1989.

For the third quarter, earnings advanced 130 percent over the comparable period last year as total assets grew 22 percent.

Nine month earnings were $134,590, or 18 cents per share, compared to $43,247, or 6 cents per share for the like period in 1989. Total assets grew to $53.8 million from $44 million at last year's nine month mark.

Net loans increased 30 percent to $39.7 million from $30.6 million in the 1989 nine month period, as deposits went up 26 percent to $46 million.

Third quarter earnings were $52,796 compared to $22,988 last year, or 7 cents compared to 3 cents per share.

Robb Evans, president and chief executive officer of First Indo-American Bank, said that he is ''very concerned about the negative economic and political signals that have been coming with increasing velocity in the past few weeks. However, we feel the bank is well positioned for these circumstances. Our capital ratios are among the strongest in the industry. Our portfolio of loans and investments is in good order and of short maturity.''

First Indo-American Bank was established in San Francisco in 1984 by leaders of the Asian-Indian population throughout the Bay area and is primarily a business bank. It is a Federal Reserve member whose deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

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LISLE, IL (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Molex Inc. (MOLX-OTC) an international electronic components company, Wednesday reported sales of $170.6 million for its fiscal first quarter ended Sept. 30.

This compares with $143.2 million for last year's first quarter.

The lower value of the U.S. dollar compared to other currencies worldwide contributed $4.1 million in net revenue during the first quarter this year, compared to a reduction of $2.3 million due to the strengthening of the U.S. dollar last year.

Earnings for the quarter were $17.1 million compared to a year-ago first quarter tally of $14.7 million. The lower value of the U.S. dollar favorably affected earnings by $0.4 million this quarter, compared to a $0.1 million

reduction last year due to the strong dollar.

Per share earnings for the first quarter were 34 cents compared to 29 cents per share in the year earlier.

Molex's backlog at Sept. 30 totaled $122.1 million, up 25 percent over last year's $97.7 million backlog.

Molex designs and manufactures electronic components, switches and associated application tooling. It is based in Lisle, Ill., U.S.A. Its worldwide operations include 50 plants in 20 countries.

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PERTH AMBOY, NJ (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Joseph P. Gemmell, chairman, president & C.E.O. of Bankers Corp. (NASDAQ:BKCO), the parent company of Bankers Savings, reported net income of $2,927,000 for the third quarter of 1990 representing a 35 percent increase over $2,172,000 for the same quarter last year.

The recently declared 11 cent dividend payable Oct. 30, 1990 represents a 20 percent payout of the current quarter's 54 cents earnings per share.

Prior year per share comparison is not applicable in that the bank converted from mutual to stock ownership on March 23, 1990 realizing a $40.8 million net capital increase.

Stockholder equity at Sept. 30, 1990 totalled $125.4 million or $23.20 per share. This represents a 13.31 percent GAAP capital ratio relative to assets totalling $942.0 million. Deposits at Sept. 30, 1990 are $742.4 million.

Loan delinquencies of 90 days or more together with real estate owned totalled $15.6 million compared to $13.6 million at Dec. 31, 1989 or 1.66 percent of assets compared to 1.70 percent at year end.

The loan portfolio is comprised primarily of small owner occupied residential mortgages. Gemmell stated, ''Even with our lower risk portfolio, we remain concerned with the general economic conditions within our market area. Accordingly, we felt it prudent to increase the loan loss provision to $400 thousand for this quarter compared to $110 thousand for the same quarter last year.

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HAARLEM, THE NETHERLANDS (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The Executive Board of N.V. Verenigd Bezit VNU has declared a 1990 interim dividend of Dfl 1 per common share of Dfl 5 par value (1989: Dfl 1 per common share) against coupon nr. 53; and Dfl 1.40 per preferred share of Dfl 20 par value against coupon nr. 22.

As usual, the rate of the interim dividend does not indicate the level of the final dividend.

The interim dividend will be payable as of October 25, 1990.

VNU is Holland's largest consumer magazine publisher, with fully integrated publishing, printing and distribution arms. The Group also publishes newspapers and trade magazines, has interests in educational publishing, and is active in a broad range of international business information services.

VNU's shares trade on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange and prices may be accessed on the Reuters Equities 2000 service under the symbol VNUS.AS, on Quotron under the symbol VNUN.EU, and on the OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol 3VNUNF.

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MURRAY HILL, N.J. (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of C.R. Bard, Inc. (NYSE-BCR) Wednesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 11 cents per share on Bard's common stock.

The current indicated annual dividend rate is 44 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on November 2, 1990, to shareholders of record October 22, 1990.

C.R. Bard, Inc., headquartered in Murray Hill, is aleading multinational developer, manufacturer and marketer of health care products.

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PUNTA GORDA, FL (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - First Federal Savings Bank of Charlotte County (NASDAQ:FSCC) Wednesday reported that consolidated net earnings for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $738,903, or 23 cents per share, as compared to earnings of $752,626, or 23 cents per share, for the like period of 1989, a decrease in net earnings of $13,723, or 1.8 percent.

Total assets as of Sept. 30, were $347,633,285 as compared to $347,427,567 at June 30, an increase of $205,718. In this three-month period, loans receivable increased $1,262,068 from $246,612,891 at June 30, to $247,874,959 at Sept. 30. Mortgage-backed securities decreased $816,471 from $32,047,695 as of June 30, to $31,231,224 as of Sept. 30.

Student loans of $101,618, which were held for sale at June 30, were sold during this three-month period.

Interest-bearing deposits in other banks decreased from $51,188,269 as of June 30, to $50,944,344 as of Sept. 30, a decrease of $243,925.

As a result of payment of cash dividends during the first quarter, stockholders' equity decreased $1,464,132, or 3.4 percent, from $42,894,138 for the quarter ended June 30, to $41,430,006 for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

With 3,193,199 shares of common stock outstanding on Sept. 30, stockholders' equity of $41,430,006 represents an approximate book value of $12.97 per share and 11.9 percent of total assets.

First Federal, located in southwest Florida, has seven offices serving Charlotte and south Sarasota Counties, and its common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''FSCC.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Cache Inc., (NASDAQ:CACH), a specialty chain of 63 exclusive women's apparel stores, reported the appointment of Michael Warner as President and General Merchandising Manager.

Warner was previously vice president of the better, bridge and designer sportswear at R.H. Macy & Co. Warner succeeds Norman Polonofsky, who resigned to pursue other interests. The company also announced the promotion of Roy C. Smith to the position of Executive Vice President-Store Operations.

Separately, Cache Inc. expects to report a loss of up to $1.5 million for the

quarter ended Sept, 29. Roy C. Chapman, chairman and chief executive officer, reported the loss was due to a combination of lower than expected sales, a direct result of the softening retail economy, as well as approximately $300,000 of expenses relating to the change in management at the company -- charges, which in the opinion of management are not normal reoccuring expenses.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Accuhealth Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol:ACCU) announced Wednesday that it plans to attempt to raise capital for the company by reducing the exercise price of the company's existing warrants from $6.25 to $4.25. Two warrants are necessary to purchase one share of stock. The reduced exercise price would be in effect for a 90-day period after a post-effective amendment to the company's registration statement covering the warrants (and underlying common stock) becomes effective.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Sazale Corp., an international hospitality company, announced the formation of a new hotel management company to be known as the Bel-Air Hotel Group.

The Bel-Air Hotel Group will develop, manage and operate Sazale's international hotel properties. The new management company will also operate five-star luxury hotels and resorts located in major market centers around the world on behalf of other owners and investors.

Sazale currently owns and operates several hotels, traditional Japanese-style inns, restaurants, golf courses and travel agencies in Japan. In addition, Sazale owns the Hotel Bel-Air in Los Angeles and the Hotel du Cap-Ferrat in the south of France and has new hotel properties under development in Hawaii and Bangkok, Thailand.

In connection with the formation of the Bel-Air Hotel Group, Sazale has

appointed Eric Prevette and Carlos C. Lopes as vice chairmen of this new hotel venture, to be based in Los Angeles. Prevette and Lopes will have responsibility for day-to-day management of the company.

Prevette and Lopes collectively share more than 35 years of hotel management experience and have been associated with Rosewood Hotels, Four Seasons, Hilton International and most recently as principals of Windsor Hotel Group. The duo has been credited with the turnaround of The Biltmore Hotel located in downtown Los Angeles.

Prevette and Lopes will continue to manage the current roster of Windsor properties which include The Biltmore, Los Angeles, The Lake Arrowhead Hilton Resort, as well as continuing to provide pre-opening and marketing services for The Mission Inn in Riverside, Calif.

''We are tremendously excited about this new venture,'' said Prevette, vice chairman of the Bel-Air Hotel Group and president of Windsor Hotel Group. ''We see the Bel-Air Hotel Group competing directly with Regent International, Ritz-Carlton, Four Seasons and Mandarin.

''At the same time, we will continue to operate three- and four-star hotel properties as part of Sazale under the Windsor Hotel Group and we plan to seek additional investment and management opportunities.''

''The Bel-Air Hotel Group will establish a new benchmark in defining service levels for our guests,'' added Lopes, vice chairman of Bel-Air Hotel Group and chief operating officer of Windsor Hotel Group. ''Futhermore, it is our intent to design hotels in a manner which will compliment the architecture, environment and cultural heritage of the community in which they are located.

''We will introduce innovative and unique food concepts for each hotel and showcase the best regional cuisine to enhance the guests' overall culinary experience,'' Lopes added.

For further information or to arrange an interview with Lopes or Prevette, please call 213/826-3354.

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OREM, UT (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - James R. Christie has been named vice president for marketing at Sanyo Icon according to an announcement made Wednesday by John R. Bonne, the company's president.

In announcing the appointment, Bonne said: ''Christie, who will report to me,

is a veteran professional with many years of computer industry experience in product management and marketing, sales and as a VAR. His overall in-depth knowledge will be of tremendous value to our company.''

Pior to joining Sanyo Icon, Christie was president of Triathon Business Computers, a VAR firm he founded in 1986. From 1981 to 1986 he was associated with MAI/Basic Four in a number of marketing posts including director of product marketing and national sales manager for large systems. In 1984 he was named vice president for worldwide marketing.

From 1978 to 1981 Christie served as a new products manager at Dataproducts Corp. He was also a member of the technical staff at Rockwell International for three years.

Christie earned a doctorate degree in physical chemistry at Kansas State University in 1971, a bachelor's degree in chemistry at Southwestern College in Kansas in 1967 and also attended Pepperdine University in Malibu from 1976 to 1978, where he undertook coursework in preparation for his master's in business administration.

Christie entered the U.S. Army after completing his doctorate studies in 1971 and served for three years. He is a graduate of both the Airborne and Ranger schools and served as project manager in the Army's Office of Demilitarization of Chemical Materials for two years, supervising projects for the rapid elimination of obsolete chemical munitions at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal and Dugway Proving Grounds.

He received an honorable discharge wih the rank of captain in 1974.

Sanyo Icon is an acknowledged leader in the development and manufacture of LAN server products and multi-function, multi-user networkable computer sytems with a microprocessor design enabling simultaneous use of PICK, UNIX and MS DOS. The company is a subsidiary of Sanyo Electric Co. which has annual revenues of more than $10 billion.

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RONKONKOMA, NY (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - LOGITEK INC. (NASDAQ:LGTK) Wednesday announced that net sales increased 25 percent to a new record of $5,509,388 and that net income was $192,310, or $.06 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

These results compare to net sales of $4,419,386 and a loss of $294,916, or $.09 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1989 (table follows).

Commenting on the fiscal 1990 results, Herbert L. Fischer, LOGITEK President, stated, ''We are very pleased to have achieved record net sales and a return to profitability during the latest fiscal year. The adverse effects of the federal government contract delays, which severely disrupted production during fiscal 1989, were overcome during the first half of fiscal 1990. ''The resulting increased sales volume and uninterrupted production contributed to the gross profit of $2.2 million achieved during the latest year compared to gross profit of only $1.2 million during fiscal 1989. Expenditures during 1990 that we consider sound investments for LOGITEK's future included increased research and development and an expanded sales and marketing effort.

''We have now fully completed the expansion of our manufacturing facilities. Through this expansion, LOGITEK is now poised for major growth during the current fiscal 1991 year and beyond,'' Fischer concluded.

The fiscal 1990 net income and income per share reflect the cumulative effect of a change in the method of accounting related to the company's employee stock ownership plan that resulted in a charge of $37,500, or $.01 per share (net of income taxes of $20,500). There was no change in method of accounting in fiscal 1989. All earnings per share are based on weighted average number of shares outstanding after giving retroactive effect to the 2-for-1 stock split distributed in August 1990.

LOGITEK Inc. manufactures and markets electronic power monitors and controls and electronic power supplies for use in mobile systems such as aircraft and space vehicles, aboard ships, vehicular mobile communications and radar systems, off-shore rigs, and pipeline control stations. In addition, LOGITEK is also engaged in contract manufacturing operations producing high technology finished products to customers' exact specifications.

LOGITEK Inc.
Operating Results
For the years ended June 30,

	1990	1989
Net sales	$5,509,388	$4,419,386
Income (loss) before cumulative effects of changes in accounting principles (a)	229,810	(294,916)
Cumlative effect of changes in accounting principles (a)	(37,500)	---
Net income (loss)	$ 192,310	$ (294,916)
Per share amounts (a) (b)		
Income (loss) before cumulative effects of changes in accounting principles	$ .07	$ (.09)
Cumulative effect of changes		

in accounting principles	(.01)	---
Net income (loss)	$ .06	$ (.09)
Weighted average shares outstanding (b)	3,424,000	3,424,000

(a) The fiscal 1990 net income and income per share reflect the cumulative effect of a change in the method of accounting related to LOGITEK's employee stock ownership plan that resulted in a charge of $37,500 or $.01 per share (net of income taxes of $20,500). (b) All earnings per share and weighted average shares outstanding figures give retroactive effect to the 2-for-1 stock split distributed in August 1990.

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or
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Donald C. Weinberger, 212/826-9622

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FORT WAYNE, Ind. (OCT 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Tokheim Corp. (NYSE:TOK) Wednesday announced a fourth quarter dividend of 14 cents per share, following a meeting of the board of directors.

The dividend will be payable Nov. 30 to stockholders of record Nov. 9. This is the 71st consecutive year in which Tokheim has paid dividends.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - K-III Holdings announced Wednesday that its subsidiary, Newbridge Communications Inc., has completed the acquisition of Reader's Garden Inc.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed. Reader's Garden represents the seventh acquisition consummated by K-III since its formation in February of 1989.

The acquisition of Reader's Garden Inc., which operates The Garden Book Club and The Readers Subscription, brings the total number of Newbridge professional and special interest book clubs to seventeen.

As the largest special interest book club operation in America, Newbridge Communications also operates continuity programs for the educational and the home markets, The Fast Track and Gryphon Editions.

''These clubs are an excellent fit for Newbridge,'' said Peter J. Quandt, president of Newbridge Communications Inc. ''They both have strong memberships and a tradition of high editorial standards. We're excited about their prospects for growth.''

K-III Holdings acquired Newbridge Communications (formerly known as Macmillan Book Clubs Inc.) from Maxwell-Macmillan in July 1989. K-III, an affiliate of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co., also includes Intertec Publishing Corp., a publisher of trade magazines and technical books, and K-III Press Inc., which publishes directories and other information products for the transportation industries. K-III's annual revenues exceed $200 million.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Petroleum Corp. (NASDAQ:AIPN) announced Wednesday the results of the first month to test production of its Toqui-Toqui field in Colombia, South America which commenced on Sept. 8. 1990.

During the past 30 days of intermittent work and testing, the gross production of the four existing wells was 13,800 bbls. of 24 degrees API gravity crude oil, which netted 7,226 barrels for the company's account.

Cumulative production to date, including earlier production tests totals 37,369 barrels. The four individual wells have been tested at rates of 115 to 225 barrels per day. Additional production from the wells could be realized when more producing zones are completed pending the approval of the Ministry of Mines.

The oil is being produced for sale to the Colombian National Oil Co., Ecopetrol, at a pruchase price set monthly based on a basket of world market crude. The company may elect to receive up to 75 percent of its revenue in dollars with the remainder to be paid in Colombian pesos. Transportaion to Ecopetrol's refinery has been arranged through a pipeline owned by Texaco.

Seismic analysis of the Toqui-Toqui field indicates that up to an additional 25 wells may be drilled in the field. Applications have already been submitted for the drilling of 8 additional offset wells.

The company owns a 45 percent workng interest in the field and its wells with a 90 percent interest in one well, which will be reduced to a 45 percent interest once it achieves 100 percent payout of its costs.

The Puli contract area currently comprises about 90,000 acres of land in the Middle Magdalena River basin some 50 air miles west of Bogata. The Toqui-Toqui field covers only a portion of the contract area.

Seismic work has been undertaken in another prospect of the contract area known the Puli anticline, about 15km. northeast of the Toqui-Toqui field. The company and its partners are currently drilling an exploration well at that location.

American International Petroleum Corp. is engaged in refining, oil and natural gas production, transportation, exploration and marketing activities in Louisiana, Kentucky as well as Columbia.

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DALLAS (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - E-Systems announced Wednesday the completion of the acquisition of HRB Systems, headquartered in State College, Pa., and with operations in the Washington, D.C., area, previously announced Aug. 29.

Closing was accomplished on Oct. 9.

E-Systems, (NYSE:ESY), is a major worldwide developer and producer of electronic systems and products in the areas of intelligence, reconnaissance and surveillance systems, command and control, electronic warfare, specialized aircraft maintenance and modification, guidance, navigation and control, communications and data systems.

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NEWTON, MA (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Marcam Corp. (NASDAQ:MCAM), a leading worldwide provider of process manufacturing software solutions for IBM midrange computers, Wednesday announced the release of Warehouse Management, a new logistics module for PRISM.

PRISM is a process manufacturing planning, control and cost accounting system for IBM midrange computers. Process manufacturers include companies in the food, chemical, and consumer goods industries.

Developed in partnership with Ralson Purina and General Foods, Wharehouse Management extends PRISM's inventory capabilities with new detailed management of inventories, warehouse space, equipment and labor, resulting in increased

warehouse space utilization, reduced damaged goods, and improved efficiency of warehouse personnel. Any inventory can be managed -- raw materials, packaging materials, supplies, intermediates, and finished goods.

Warehouse Management also provides capabilities for the putaway, picking, rewarehousing and location management of inventory. This results in more accurate tracking of all warehousing resources. In addition, Warehouse Management adds features specifically designed for process manufacturers, such as additional shelf life control, floor loading, emergency locations, cross docking and pallet tracking.

For complete support of a paperless warehouse operation, Warehouse Management includes the ability to interface to Radio Frequency (RF) terminals which route fork lift trucks in picking, putaway, and related tasks. Warehouse Management also interfaces with automated storage and retrieval systems to provide total automation of high volume warehousing activities.

In addition to the new Warehouse Management module, Marcam also announced PRISM 2.0, an enhanced version of PRISM which includes more than 30 new functions designed to provide information to end users more quicky and with greater accuracy. Enhancements include a faster schedule launch feature that enables users to enter, open and launch a production schedule as one option, thus simplifying and expediting the process of adding unplanned schedules.

A number of on-line features have been added to PRISM 2.0, including an on-line capacity analysis inquiry and an on-line lot tracking inquiry. Through the on-line capacity analysis inquiry, users can quickly identify -- in a graphical or tabular format -- resources that are over or under capacity for a specified time period. The on-line lot tracking inquiry enables users to track all schedules, sales and transactions where a lot was used, resulting in better traceability.

The Warehouse Management module and PRISM 2.0 will be available for customer delivery in first quarter 1991. Prices for the Warehouse Management module start at $18,000 and vary depending on hardware configuration.

Marcam Corp. supplies applications software as well as systems integration and education services to process manufacturers using IBM AS/400 and System/38 computers. The company is an IBM Authorized Industry Applications Specialist and Business Partner, and a member of IBM's Cooperative Software Program. Founded in 1980, Marcam has 13 offices throughout North America and Europe, and is represented in more than 25 countries. Marcam customers include Kraft/General Foods, Coca-Cola USA, Ralston Purina, SmithKline Beecham, Gillette, and Rhone Poulenc.

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ALBANY, NY (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - National Savings Bank of Albany (NASDAQ:NSBA) announced Wednesday that new discussions have taken place beween TrustCo Bank Corp NY and National regarding a possible business combination.

A spokesman for National stated that the discussions were preliminary in nature and that any proposal developed would have to be acted upon by National's Board of Directors.

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COCONUT GROVE, FL (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - WATSCO, INC. (ASE: WSOA) Wednesday announced that its Board of Directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.05 per share on its Class A Common Stock and $.04 per share on its Class B Common Stock.

These dividends will be paid on November 30, 1990 to shareholders of record on October 31, 1990.

Watsco participates in the climate control industry through Gemaire Distributors, Inc., the largest independent distributor of residential central air conditioning equipment in Florida, and various manufacturing subsidiaries. The Company also participates in the personnel services industry through Dunhill Personnel System, Inc. Dunhill provides permanent placement and temporary personnel services through 280 franchised and company-owned offices in 41 states and the District of Columbia.

The Company's Class A and Class B Common Stock and Convertible Debentures are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbols WSOA, WSOB and WSOC.A, respectively.

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OAKLAND, NJ (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The Dewey Electronics Corp. (OTC:DEWY) announced Wednesday that the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals has denied the company's appeal of a prior decision disallowing the company's claim for reimbursement of $1,386,000 of direct contract costs incurred by the company and requiring payment by the company to the government of $166,000.

The company intends to file a motion for reconsideration by the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals of its decision. If such motion is not granted, the company will be required to write-off $1,386,000 of direct contract costs currently carried as a long-term asset on the balance sheet.

The company currently is not in compliance with certain covenants under its long-term loan agreement and is in discussions with the bank regarding a waiver of such non-compliance.

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#90283b0843 10/10/1990 ~Business Wire
STATEN ISLAND, NY (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Gateway Bancorp Inc. of Staten Island, holding company for Gateway State Bank, announced that its consolidated net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30 was $3,344,000, or 87 cents per share, as compared to $4,311,000, or $1.12 per share, for the comparable period in 1989.

The weighted average number of common shares outstanding was 3,854,874 and 3,839,982 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 respectively.

Consolidated net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $940,000, or 24 cents per share, as compared to $1,552,000, or 40 cents per share, for the comparable period in 1989. Where applicable, share and per share amounts have been adjusted to reflect the ten percent (10%) stock dividend declared on March 13 to shareholders of record as of April 3, paid on April 20.

The decrease in consolidated net income for the nine and three month periods ended Sept. 30 was primarily attributable to increases in the provision for loan losses, the level of nonaccruing loans, and noninterest expense.

The provision for loan losses was $877,000 and $242,000 for the nine and three month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively, as compared to $450,000 and $150,000 for the corresponding periods in 1989. Average nonaccruing loans

were $5,513,000 and $7,153,000 for the nine and three month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively, as compared to $2,053,000 and $2,129,000 for the corresponding periods in 1989.

Noninterest expense was $7,940,000 and $2,882,000 for the nine and three month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively, as compared to $6,225,000 and $2,058,000 for the corresponding periods in 1989.

Average earning assets for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $249,112,000, representing a 9.2 percent increase over $228,128,000 for the comparable period in 1989. This increase in average earning assets was funded by an increase in the average deposit base and the retention of net income.

Total assets grew by $19,741,000, or 7.7 percent, from $256,428,000 at Sept. 30, 1989 to $276,169,000 at Sept. 30, 1990. Total deposits grew by $15,899,000 or 7.1 percent, from $223,108,000 at Sept. 30, 1989 to $239,007,000 at Sept. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Gateway Bancorp Inc., Staten Island
Mark D. Curtis, 718/979-4000.

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#90283b0844 10/10/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Philip Morris Companies Inc. has announced that Marc S. Goldberg was elected senior vice president, corporate planning for Philip Morris Companies Inc.

He will report to Hamish Maxwell, chairman and chief executive officer.

Goldberg, 47, served as president, Latin America region of Philip Morris International Inc. since 1988. In this position, he was responsible for all of the company's business in the Caribbean and Latin America, as well as the company's investment in Rothmans, Benson & Hedges Inc. in Canada.

Previously, Goldberg had been executive vice president, Latin America/Iberia. He became a vice president of Philip Morris International in 1980.

Goldberg joined the company in 1972 as director of finance and administration, Latin America/Iberia, Philip Morris International, and was named area director of Philip Morris' business in Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay in 1977. He was appointed vice president in charge of these markets in 1978.

Prior to joining the company, Goldberg was with Coopers & Lybrand in Toronto, Canada.

Goldberg received a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Boston University in 1964 and earned his LL.B. degree from Cornell Law School

in 1967. He is a member of the New York State Bar Association and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Goldberg is a director of Rothmans, Benson & Hedges Inc., Canada; a director of the Council of the Americas; vice president of the Brazilian Cultural Foundation; director of the Brazilian American Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the Cornell University Corporate Liaison Committee.

Philip Morris Companies Inc. has five principal operating companies: Philip Morris Incorporated (Philip Morris U.S.A.); Philip Morris International Inc.; Kraft General Foods, Inc.; Miller Brewing Company, and Philip Morris Capital Corporation.

Kraft General Foods, Inc., has seven operating units: General Foods USA, Kraft USA, Kraft General Foods International, Kraft General Foods Canada, Oscar Mayer Foods, Kraft General Foods Frozen Products and Kraft General Foods Commercial Products.

Philip Morris Capital Corporation is engaged in financial service activities. Its subsidiary, Mission Viejo Company, is engaged principally in land planning development and sales in southern California and Colorado.

CONTACT: Philip Morris Companies Inc., New York
Posie Di Sesa, 212/878-2754

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800-225-2030; SF 415-986-4422 or 800-227-0845; LA 213-380-8383

-30- 2843
#90283b0847 10/10/1990 ~Business Wire

BASKING RIDGE (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Science Management Corp. (AMEX:SMG) Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend of 2-1/2 cents per share payable on Nov. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 7, 1990 according to James A. Skidmore Jr., chairman and chief executive officer.

Science Management Corp., headquartered in Basking Ridge, is a leading international professional services firm providing expertise in three major areas: management and human resources; information technology; and engineering technology.

CONTACT: Science Management Corp., Basking Ridge
Thomas A. Tafelski, 201/647-7000

-30- 797
#90283b0854 10/10/1990 ~Business Wire

TAMPA, FL (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Action Capital Corp., a subsidiary of Action Staffing Inc. (NASDAQ:ACTS) Wednesday announced that it has executed a non-binding letter of intent contemplating, among other things, the acquisition by Action Capital Corp. of certain shares of stock of J.W. Gant Financial Inc. (NASDAQ:JWGFU).

The contemplated transaction would involve the exchange of 4,752,173 restricted shares of common stock of J.W. Gant Financial Inc. held by certain individuals for 4,752,173 shares of authorized but unissued stock of Action Staffing Inc.

In addition, Action Capital Corp. will acquire from J.W. Gant Financial Inc. 3,618,340 common shares and 3,618,340 preferred shares of J.W. Gant Financial Inc. stock in exchange for 7,236,680 shares of authorized but unissued common stock of Action Staffing Inc.

Consummation of the proposed transaction is conditioned upon a number of items including the negotiation and execution of definitive documents, resolution of certain legal matters, receipt of necessary approvals from certain state and federal regulatory authorities and receipt of any requisite corporate shareholder and director approvals.

Tampa-based Action Staffing Inc. is a leader in employee leasing for business and industry with 12,000 employees under lease in 32 states. Action Capital Inc. operates as the financial arm of Action Staffing Inc.

J.W. Gant Financial Inc. is a holding company for its wholly-owned investment banking and securities brokerage subsidiary, J.W. Gant & Associates Inc. An operationally-integrated self-clearing firm, having its headquarters in Englewood, Colo., with its regional office in Boca Raton, Fla.

It is a member of the Boston Stock Exchange and the NASD. J.W. Gant Financial Inc. is currently a market-maker in the securities of Action Staffing Inc.

CONTACT: Action Capital Corp., Tampa
Joseph Catalano, 813/623-5177

-30- 2106
#90283b0860 10/10/1990 ~Business Wire

ENGLEWOOD, CO (OCT. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - J.W. Gant Financial Inc. (NASDAQ:JWGFU) Wednesday announced that it has executed a non-binding letter of intent contemplating, among other things, the exchange of certain shares of its stock with Action Capital Corp., a subsidiary of Action Staffing Inc. (NASDAQ:ACTS).

The contemplated transaction would involve the exchange of 4,752,173 restricted shares of Common Stock of J.W. Gant Financial Inc. held by certain

individuals for 4,752,173 shares of authorized but unissued stock of Action Staffing.

In addition, Action Capital will acquire from J.W. Gant Financial Inc. 3,618,340 common shares and 3,618,340 preferred shares of J.W. Gant Financial Inc. stock in exchange for 7,236,680 shares of authorized but unissued common stock of Action Staffing.

Consummation of the proposed transaction is conditioned upon a number of items including the negotiation and execution of definitive documents, resolution of certain legal matters, receipt of necessary approvals from certain state and federal regulatory authorities and receipt of any requisite corporate shareholder and director approvals.

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Tampa-based Action Staffing Inc. is a leader in employee leasing for business and industry with 12,000 employees under lease in 32 states. It's financial arm is Action Capital Inc.

CONTACT: J.W. Gant Financial Inc., Englewood
Eric Russell, 303/850-7799

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#90283c0002 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 8:

Latin Foods International Inc. (LATN)

The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 5:

Standard Platforms Holding PLC Ordinary Shares (STPHF)

-30- 395

#90283c0003 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 9:

LDDS Communications Inc. - 8 1/2% Conv. Sub. Dbs. 2000 (LDDSG); Issue postponed - security never quoted

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 8 due to an insufficient number of active market makers:

First Executive Corp. - Wts. 11/15/90 (FEXCW)

-30- 509

#90283c0004 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 9:

Zentec Corp. (ZENT) to (ZENTE)

-30- 256

#90283c0005 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:27 that trade in Sports-Tech International Inc.(NASDAQ: STXL) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 3 1/4, 3 7/8. The company is located in Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

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#90283c0006 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:23 that trade in Sports-Tech International Inc.(NASDAQ: STXL) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 3 1/4, 3 7/8; down 1/4 point from the halt, and unchanged from the previous close.

-30- 394

#90283c0008 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Koss Corp.(TICKER: KOSS) earned $489,281 (including an extraordinary gain of $40,000), or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $27.20 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.70 million (including an extraordinary gain of $143,000), or $0.44 per share, on revenues of $26.50 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90283c0009 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Pembroke Capital lost $11,309, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of

$17,064 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $8,595, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $4,287 for fiscal 1989.

Pembroke reports it is a development stage enterprise and has currently generated no revenues other than interest.

The company's executive offices are located at 13215 Braun Rd., Golden, CO 80401, and its telephone number is (303) 237-4417.

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#90283c0010 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows First Federal Savings Bank completed the previously reported acquisition of retail deposits of five Crossland Savings offices in Utah.

First Federal Savings reports it paid $2.4 million for the acquisition, which included $1.1 million for the deposits and $1.3 million for the real estate and other fixed assets.

The purchase included $56.9 million in deposits, the acquisition of the Sugarhouse and Fashion Place offices and the assumption of the lease of the Cottonwood office.

Deposits in the ZCMI office were transferred to the First Federal Eagle Gate office, while deposits of the Crossland Dan's Foothill office were transferred to the First Federal Foothill office.

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#90283c0011 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Pantheon Industries Inc.(TICKER: PNTH), on Aug. 30, 1990, agreed to sell its film library to Continental Group Investments Inc.

The sale price is $1.68 million, payable with a seven-year debenture.

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#90283c0012 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Koss Corp.(TICKER: KOSS) earned $489,281 (including an extraordinary gain of $40,000), or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $27.20 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.70 million (including an extraordinary

gain of $143,000), or $0.44 per share, on revenues of $26.50 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90283c0016 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Moleculon Inc.(TICKER: MBIO), on Sept. 24, 1990, agreed to sell a parcel of real estate consisting of five acres in Elizabeth, New Jersey, with buildings, improvements and fixtures, for $5.20 million.

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#90283c0017 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Stansbury Holdings Corp.(TICKER: STBY) earned $570,421, or $0.05 per share, on no revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $260,545, or $0.02 per share, on no revenues for fiscal 1989.

The company's executive offices are located at 46 West 300 South, Suite 100, Salt Lake City, UT 84101, and its telephone number is (801) 355-0529.

-30- 602

#90283c0019 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows Armeno Resources Inc.(TICKER: AROY) reported a profit of $181,501 on revenues of $1.12 million for the nine months ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $434,934 on revenues of $84,850 for the nine months ended July 31, 1989.

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#90283c0020 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Maui Land & Pineapple Co. (ML & P) on Sept. 26, 1990, agreed to develop and own 25 percent of the Ritz-Carlton Kapalua Hotel, to be located above Honolua Bay, bordering the third fairway of the Bay Course at the Kapalua resort.

As part of the transaction, ML & P agreed to lease the hotel site on a long-term lease providing for both a minimum and a percentage rent.

Kaptel Associates, the leasee and owner of the hotel, is comprised of Maui Hotels (a subsidiary of the Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co.), NIC (Hawaii) Ltd. (a subsidiary of Nissho Iwai Corp.) and Kapalua Investment Corp.

Construction on the hotel is expected to begin in October, 1990 and to be completed in the first quarter of 1993.

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#90283c0021 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Safe Aid Products Inc. lost $103,774, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $24,006 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $110,274, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $28,844 for the same period in 1989.

The company reports that it is a development stage enterprise.

Its executive offices are located at 300 Rabro Drive, Hauppauge, NY 11788, and its telephone number is (516) 232-1281.

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#90283c0022 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Fingermatrix Inc.(TICKER: FINX) announced that on Sept. 25, 1990, Mark A. Meyer resigned from the position of director of the company, stating a conflict of interest as the reason for his decision.

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#90283c0023 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Apollo Savings and Loan Co.(TICKER: APOL) earned $626,945, or $2.05 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $708,330, or $2.30 per share, for fiscal 1989.

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#90283c0024 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows State Street Boston Corp.(TICKER: STBK) on Sept. 20, 1990, adopted a classified board of directors consisting of three classes of directors, approximately equal in number, elected to serve, respectively, until the company's annual meetings of stockholders in 1991, 1992 and 1993.

The board also adopted amendments that expand the ability of the board to set the date of the company's annual meeting.

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#90283c0025 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Vega Biotechnologies Inc.(TICKER: VEGA) reported the resignation of Arnold S. Lippa as the company's chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

Lippa will continue to head Vega's chemical operations.

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#90283c0027 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:05 that trade in Brush Creek Mining & Development Co. Inc.(NASDAQ: BCMD) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 1 3/8, 1 5/8; up 1/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90283c0028 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Thrifty Tel Inc.(TICKER: TTEL) extended the exercise period of the company's Class A and Class B warrants to Nov. 30, 1990.

These warrants were issued in connection with the company's initial public offering.

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#90283c0029 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Vidcom Post Inc. effective Oct. 1, 1990, engaged the services of Schillan Abrams & Co. as its new independent accountant, to replace Vidcom's previous accountants.

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#90283c0030 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Advanced Energy Resources Inc.(TICKER: AERI) on Sept. 19, 1990, completed the sale of all its assets, including Advanced Production Service Inc., its wholly-owned subsidiary, to Arrow Petroleum Services Inc.

The company also sold, in Sept. 19, all its stock in Big 10 Fishing Tool Co. Inc. and URS Rental Service Co., also wholly-owned subsidiaries, to Arrow.

The sales were completed in accordance with Advanced Energy's plan of

reorganization issued by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Eastern Division of California, dated Aug. 27, 1990.

Advanced Energy reports that it has no assets and has suspended business operations.

Its executive offices are located at 1705 30th Street, Bakersfield, CA 93301, and its telephone number is (805) 328-1784.

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#90283c0031 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Uncle George's Pizza & Subs Inc., effective Oct. 2, 1990, retained the firm of BDO Seidman to audit its financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

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#90283c0032 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Environmental Diagnostics Inc.(TICKER: EDIT) announced that effective Oct. 1, 1990, Terry L. Johnson, vice president and chief financial officer, as well as secretary, resigned.

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#90283c0033 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Heritage Entertainment Inc.(TICKER: HHH) received a proposal for a business combination from the Samuel Goldwyn Co.

The proposal specifies that Heritage would issue a minimum of approximately 90.80 million shares to Goldwyn stockholders in exchange for their Goldwyn stock.

In the combination, existing Heritage stockholders would own approximately 8.50 million shares, or approximately 8.5% of the outstanding common stock of the combined entity.

Heritage stockholders would also receive Class A warrants entitling them to purchase, within two years after the closing, 3.42 million shares at a price of $2.20 per share.

They would receive Class B warrants entitling them to purchase within three years after closing, 6.25 million shares at a price per share of 10% below the average trading price of $3.75 per share.

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#90283c0035 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows First Federal Savings Bank of Montana (TICKER: FFSM) announced it will reorganize into the holding company form of organization.

Additionally, the company will become a subsidiary of Glacier Bancorp Inc., and each outstanding share of common stock of First Federal will be converted into one share of common stock of Glacier Bancorp Inc.

Following the reorganization, First Federal will continue operations under the same name, in the same offices and with the same directors, officers and employees.

The company also announced its board of directors has approved a change in its fiscal year end to a calendar year ending Dec. 31, from the current fiscal year ending June 30.

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#90283c0036 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Vital Signs Inc.(TICKER: VITL) issued on Oct. 2, 1990, 173,250 shares of common stock to underwriters of its recent public offering, upon exercise of the underwriters' overallotment option.

The shares were issued at a net price of $9.30 per share to the company.

At completion of the transaction, there were 10.49 million shares of the company's common stock outstanding.

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#90283c0037 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Ratners Group PLC (TICKER: RATN) reported Gerald Ratner, chairman and managing director, and Masarrat Hussain, administration director of the company, have on Sept. 13, 1990 sold 186,096 units and 47,278 units, respectively, of their interest in the partly paid convertible unsecured loan stock, 1990/91, at 61 pence per unit.

After the sale, Ratner continues to hold 4,800 stock units and Hussain holds 1,200 stock units.

In other news, the company reports Michael Mitchell has been appointed Investor Relations Director of the Ratners Group.

Also, Victor Ratner, deputy managing director of Ratners, on Sept. 20, 1990, sold 13,970 units of his interest in the partly paid convertible unsecured loan stock 1990/91 at 56 pence per unit. He continues to hold 58 stock units.

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#90283c0038 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Victoria Creations (TICKER: VITC) lost $9.86 million, or $1.31 per share, on revenues of $52.88 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $2.71 million, or $0.36 per share, on revenues of $56.88 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90283c0039 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:20 that trade in First Essex Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: FESX) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1 7/8.

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#90283c0040 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:25 that trade in Andover Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: ANDB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 1/2.

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#90283c0041 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Environmental Tectonics Corp.(TICKER: ENVT) earned $404,393, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $5.96 million for the quarter ended Aug. 24, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $249,229, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $4.99 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989.

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#90283c0043 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Andersen Group Inc.(TICKER: ANDR) earned $153.07 million, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $1.59 billion for the quarter ended Aug. 26, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $91.18 million, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $496.39 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90283c0044 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Advanced Tobacco Products Inc.(TICKER: ATPI) dismissed its former accountants, Deloitte & Touche, on Oct. 2, 1990, and engaged Price Waterhouse as its principal accountant.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90283c0045 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:22 that trade in First Essex Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: FESX) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 1/4; up 3/8 point from the halt, and unchanged from the previous close.

-30- 368
#90283c0046 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:24 that trade in Andover Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: ANDB) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 3/4; up 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 350
#90283c0047 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:01 that trade in National Savings Bank Albany (NASDAQ: NSBA) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 19 1/2. The company is located in Albany, NY.

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#90283c0048 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:57 that trade in National Savings Bank Albany (NASDAQ: NSBA) has been resumed. The first sale was 19 1/2; unchanged from the halt, and up 1/4 point from the previous close.

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#90283c0049 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K. OSTLER OF 5574 WEST JOSUA CIRCLE, WEST JORDON, UT 84084, HAS FILED TO SELL 160,000 SHARES OF ION LASER TECHNOLOGY THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 5, 1990.

(ION LASER TECHNOLOGY TEL: 801 537-1587)

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#90283c0051 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD D JORDAN OF 5915 VISTA LOOP, SAN JOSE, CA 95124, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,200 SHARES OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(ALLWASTE INC. TEL: 713 240-0360)

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#90283c0052 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILMER J THOMAS JR OF 5 MIDDLE RD, PALM BEACH, FL 33480, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,580 SHARES OF OAK HILL SPORTSWEAR CORP. (TICKER: OHSC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(OAK HILL SPORTSWEAR CORP. TEL: 212 354-0444)

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#90283c0053 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAVEN VENTURE ASSOCIATES OF 220 MANOR RD, RIDGEWOOD, NJ 07450, HAS FILED TO SELL 1,000,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN TOXXIC CONTROL INC. (TICKER: ATCX) THROUGH HERZOG HEINE GEDULD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(AMERICAN TOXXIC CONTROL INC. TEL: 619 340-0098)

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#90283c0054 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD J ELKUS JR OF 60 CLAY STREET, ATHERTON, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 980-1500)

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#90283c0055 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GAGNE ROBERT H TRUST OF 5320 HIGHWAY 98 S, P O BOX 338, HIGHLAND CITY, FL 33846, HAS FILED TO SELL 95,000 SHARES OF CARIBBEAN SELECT INC. (TICKER: CSEL) THROUGH LEW LIEBERBAUM & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(CARIBBEAN SELECT INC. TEL: 813 648-0000)

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#90283c0056 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK BEDDOR JR OF 4400 GULF SHORE BLVD N, ARDISSONE #602, NAPLES, FL 33940, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF BANTA CORP. (TICKER: BNTA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(BANTA CORP. TEL: 414 722-7777)

-30- 404
#90283c0057 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARILYN A BEDDOR OF 4400 GULF SHORE BLVD N, ARDISSONE #602, NAPLES, FL 33940, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF BANTA CORP. (TICKER: BNTA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(BANTA CORP. TEL: 414 722-7777)

-30- 407
#90283c0059 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAROLINE R HUNT OF 100 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 1700, DALLAS, TX 75201, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF TANDY CORP. (TICKER: TAN) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(TANDY CORP. TEL: 817 390-3700)

-30- 393
#90283c0060 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - WATSON WHITESIDE OF 216 CEDAR ST, 0, NEENAH, WI 54956, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF AIR WISCONSIN SERVICES INC. (TICKER: ARWS) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(AIR WISCONSIN SERVICES INC. TEL: 414 739-5123)

-30- 429
#90283c0061 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS R HIX OF 16001 PARK TEN PLACE #600, HOUSTON, TX 77084, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER) THROUGH JOHNSON RICE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 713 578-8868)

-30- 442
#90283c0062 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD D ESPING OF 3 SEA SPRAY LN, HILTON HEAD ISLAND, SC 29928, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. (TICKER: CDIC) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. TEL: 614 761-8700)

-30- 448
#90283c0063 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - F RICHARD FRISBIE OF 1441 PARK TEN BOULEVARD, HOUSTON, TX 77084, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER) THROUGH JOHNSON RICE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 713 578-8868)

-30- 449
#90283c0064 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN R HUFF OF 1221 ARCHLEY, HOUSTON, TX 77055, HAS FILED TO SELL 90,000

SHARES OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER) THROUGH JOHNSON RICE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 713 578-8868)

-30- 429
#90283c0065 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERIC ERIKSON OF 2474 MANANA, SUITE 121, DALLAS, TX 75220, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,250 SHARES OF ZFAX IMAGE CORP. (TICKER: ZFAX) THROUGH LOM WESTERN SECS LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(ZFAX IMAGE CORP. TEL: 214 272-4317)

-30- 406
#90283c0067 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT C HILTON OF 218 DEER PARK DR, NASHVILLE, TN 37205, HAS FILED TO SELL 39,000 SHARES OF REN CORP. USA (TICKER: RENL) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(REN CORP. USA TEL: 615 352-7991)

-30- 401
#90283c0068 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EUGENE G BURNISON OF 1256 DEL RESTO DR, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90200, HAS FILED TO SELL 255,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 443
#90283c0069 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD W MOORE OF 105 SOUTH WOODCREST AVE, 0, LONGPORT, NJ 08403, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF TOYS 'R' US INC. (TICKER: TOY) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(TOYS 'R' US INC. TEL: 201 262-7800)

-30- 418
#90283c0070 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DARTBURN LTD OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,757 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 408
#90283c0071 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THORLEY D BRIGGS OF 12776 RODONI CT, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 453-7300)

-30- 410
#90283c0072 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH K PAGANO OF P O BOX 7785, ASPEN, CO 81612, HAS FILED TO SELL 39,182 SHARES OF GREAT AMERICAN RECREATION INC. (TICKER: GRAR) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(GREAT AMERICAN RECREATION INC. TEL: 201 827-2000)

-30- 441
#90283c0073 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ESO-TRUST CONTINENTAL OF 231 S LASALLE ST, CHICAGO, IL 60697, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,200 SHARES OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK) THROUGH CHICAGO CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. TEL: 312 828-2345)

-30- 425
#90283c0075 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

P. HERMAN OWNS 220,200 SHARES (9.94%) OF GRIFFIN TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: GRIF) OF VICTOR, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 27, 1990 to Sept. 28, Herman bought 25,700 shares at $7 each.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of stock.

-30- 427
#90283c0076 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 2,068,400 SHARES (65.90%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 28, 1990, Walsh Greenwood transferred its general partnership interest in WG Signal to WGS Inc., making WGS the general partner of WG Signal. WGS then became a reporting person.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 28, 1990 to Oct. 4, Walsh Greenwood & Co. bought 30,600 class A shares at $8.88 to $9.13 each.

PURPOSE:

Addition of group member; purchases of stock.

-30- 759
#90283c0077 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 43,850 SHARES (27.72%)

OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 28, 1990, Walsh Greenwood transferred its general partnership interest in WG Signal to WGS Inc., making WGS the general partner of WG Signal. WGS then became a reporting person.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 28, 1990 to Oct. 4, Walsh Greenwood & Co. bought 30,600 class A shares at $8.88 to $9.13 each.

PURPOSE:

Addition of group member; purchases of stock.

-30- 756
#90283c0078 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 588,900 SHARES (76.39%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO INC (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 28, 1990, Walsh Greenwood transferred its general partnership interest in WG Signal to WGS Inc., making WGS the general partner of WG Signal. WGS then became a reporting person.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 28, 1990 to Oct. 4, Walsh Greenwood & Co. bought 30,600 class A shares at $8.88 to $9.13 each.

PURPOSE:

Addition of group member; purchases of stock.

-30- 757
#90283c0079 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

DM ALLEN INC OWNS 1,794,960 SHARES (85.71%) OF DJN INC OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Allen acquired 749,960 shares through Allen Acquisition Partners Ltd. from Double-Double Partners Sept. 7, 1990, according to a stock purchase agreement. On Sept. 28, Allen acquired 1 million shares from the company in exchange for certain oil and gas properties. Allen plans to infuse capital assets into the company, which has been in bankruptcy for five years, and conduct a secondary offering to the public for newly issued shares.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of beneficial ownership upon closing of stock purchase agreement to acquire control of the company.

-30- 851
#90283c0080 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M.L. SOLOMON OWNS 10,000 SHARES (.20%) OF XTRA CORP (TICKER: XTR) OF WILMINGTON, DE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Sept. 30, 1990, Solomon withdrew as a general partner of VEM I, according to an agreement with Gilbert Butler, Butler Capital Corp. and VEM I.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 11, 1990, Solomon bought 10,000 shares at $17.72 each.

PURPOSE:

Withdrawal from partnership.

-30- 588
#90283c0081 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

M.C. SCHWARTZ OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 7,100 SHARES (1.81%) OF HASTINGS

MANUFACTURING INC (TICKER: HMF) OF HASTINGS, MI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Schwartz has agreed not to acquire any addition stock nor to seek control of the company until Sept. 26, 2000.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept., 28, 1990, Schwartz sold 21,100 shares to the company at $41 each. Certain customers of Schwartz sold 7,800 shares to the company.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 659
#90283c0083 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY KELSO MANAGEMENT CO INC OWNS 107,300 SHARES (2.70%) OF TUESDAY MORNING INC (TICKER: TUES) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Kelso Management Co. Inc., together with the FIL Investors and the FMR Investors, own 277,600 shares, or 7 percent.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 15, 1990, to Sept. 27, Kelso Management Co. Inc. bought 19,500 shares at $7.57 to $8.82 each.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares.

-30- 632
#90283c0084 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

W.G. KAGLER OWNS 244,767 SHARES (7.50%) OF SKYLINE CHILI INC (TICKER: SKCH) OF

CINCINNATI, OH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 24, 1990, the company's compensation committee amended Kagler's restricted stock award to provide that he may not sell or transfer any shares until they are vested. According to the schedule, 25,000 shares will vest May 21, 1991, another 25,000 shares, May 21, 1992, and 50,000 shares, May 21, 1993. Additionally, all the shares will vest immediately and all restrictions will lapse in the event of a change in control of the company.

PURPOSE:

Amendment of restricted stock award.

-30- 817
#90283c0085 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY P.C. SCHMITT OWNS 1,409,184 SHARES (27.70%) OF INC VORTRAX OF FARMINGTON HILLS, MI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The group has contacted the company's board, proposing that the group form a corporation to acquire the assets of Votrax. No plans have been set. Schmitt's holdings include 71,450 shares of preferred stock, which gives him a 10.2 percent stake in the company's common stock.

PURPOSE:

To gain control of the company.

-30- 640
#90283c0086 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY J.R. SIMPLOT OF BOISE, ID OWNS 7,152,700 SHARES (19.37%) OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: MCRN) OF BOISE, ID.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.R. Simplot purchased 425,000 shares from July 24 to Sept. 28, 1990 for $8.13 to $11.50 per share.

-30- 452

#90283c0087 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

C.H. HOWARD OWNS 1,395,148 SHARES (21.70%) OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC (TICKER: CARN) OF IRVING, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

C.H. Howard sold 427,914 shares from Sept. 26 to Oct. 5, 1990 for $4.50 to $8.50 per share and was forced to sell an additional 110,841 shares from Oct. 2-8 at $4.50 to $7.75 per share in order to cover margin calls.

-30- 556

#90283c0088 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY AMOS POLLARD & PARTNERS LP OWNS 994,000 SHARES (5.50%) OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP (TICKER: DGSD) OF CARPINTERIA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Goff and Brooks have met with the management of Digital Sound Corp. as an opportunity for mutual introductions.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Amos Pollard & Partners LP purchased 994,000 shares from Aug. 20 to Sept. 28, 1990 for $1.19 to $3.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 648

#90283c0089 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

H.H. SMITH III OWNS 157,597 SHARES (5.70%) OF FIRST OF MICHIGAN CAPITAL CORP (TICKER: FMG) OF DETROIT, MI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Mar. 23, 1990, the Griswold Companies Inc. was merged into First of Michigan Capital Corp. pursuant to an agreement and plan of merger. H.H. Smith III received his shares on Sept. 27, 1990 as a result of his holdings of 97,610 class A shares and 20,000 class B common shares in Griswold.

-30- 633
#90283c0092 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J.T. OXLEY OF TULSA, OK OWNS 515,300 SHARES (11.85%) OF FORTUNE FINANCIAL GROUP INC (TICKER: FORF) OF CLEARWATER, FL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.T. Oxley purchased 80,000 shares from Sept. 18 to Oct. 5, 1990 for $7.88 to $9.63 per share.

-30- 462
#90283c0093 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 43

GROUP LED BY HERITAGE MEDIA CORP OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 3,275,225 SHARES (83.30%) OF POP RADIO CORP (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

At a special meeting held Oct. 8, 1990 the shareholders of Pop Radio Corp. approved and adopted the merger agreement.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 5 and Oct. 9, 1990 Heritage Media Corp. purchased 115,600 shares at $14.25 to $17.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

To increase investment and reduce the cost of the merger to Heritage in the event it is consummated.

-30- 724

#90283c0097 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY SUNBEAM-OSTER EQUITIES LP OWNS 10,226,338 SHARES (100.00%) OF ALLEGHENY INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: AG) OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The company acquired all of the assets of Allegheny International Inc. on Sept. 28, 1990 and succeeded to the registration of Allegheny of its equity securities under the SE Act of 1934, as amended. On July 12, 1990, the court confirmed the debtors' joint stock plan of reorganization, dated Dec. 29, 1989 as amended, and on Sept. 13, 1990, the court approved certain modifications thereto. Pursuant to the modified plan, the Company and Allegheny entered into an asset purchase agreement, dated Sept. 28, 1990. Also, pursuant to the modified plan, on Sept. 28, 1990, 10,226,228 shares of common stock were issued to SOE, in satisfaction of Allegheny secured bank claims held by SOE and, in addition, the plan provides, among other things, that the holders of certain allowed creditors claims and equity holders will be granted an election to receive in exchange for their claims either the cash amount set forth in the modified plan or newly issued common stock of the company and/or warrants to purchase common stock of the company. The election shall be made during the 45-day period commencing on Sept. 28, 1990 and the cash and securities shall be distributed within 30 days thereafter. After completion of the election, SOE reserves the right to seek to acquire the shares of common stock not then owned by SOE, through a merger of the company with an affiliate of SOE or similar transaction. SOE is governed by the agreement of limited partnership of Sunbeam-Oster Equities LP.

PURPOSE:

SOE acquired the shares of common stock for the purpose of acquiring control of the company.

-30- 1991

#90283c0098 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Oct. 9, 1990, TVX Broadcast Group Inc.(TICKER: TVXG) announced that an agreement and plan of merger had been signed by TVX and Paramount Communications Inc. pursuant to which holders of TVX voting common stock will receive $9.50 per share. The agreement was approved by TVX board and recommended it to TVX's shareholders for their approval.

PURPOSE:

Agreement and plan of merger.

-30- 644
#90283c0099 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

PARAMOUNT COMMUNICATIONS INC OWNS 24,484,679 SHARES (83.30%) OF TVX BROADCAST GROUP INC (TICKER: TVXG) OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Oct. 9, 1990, TVX Broadcast Group Inc. announced that an agreement and plan of merger had been signed by TVX and Paramount Communications Inc. pursuant to which holders of TVX voting common stock will receive $9.50 per share. The agreement was approved by TVX board and recommended it to TVX's shareholders for their approval.

PURPOSE:

Agreement and plan of merger.

-30- 767
#90283c0103 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, R.M. DUBBS, VP OF AMERICAN HEALTHCARE MGMT INC. (TICKER: AHI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 327
#90283c0104 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, J.T. BAGWELL, PRES. OF CIMCO INC. (TICKER: CIMC), BOUGHT 220 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,911.

-30- 291
#90283c0106 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, N.A. LAMB, PRES. OF CALIFORNIA ENGELS MINING CO. BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,800.

-30- 308
#90283c0107 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 17, 1990, J.B. HINTZ, VP OF CHEMUNG FINANCIAL CORP. SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,150.

-30- 295
#90283c0108 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, R.L. NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (ND) BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90283c0109 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, R.L. NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (ND) BOUGHT 132 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,746.

-30- 321
#90283c0110 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 30, 1990, W.M. CARNE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: MHFC) BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,219.

-30- 309
#90283c0111 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, W.M. CARNE, DIR. OF MICHIGAN FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: MHFC) BOUGHT 120 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90283c0112 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, M.L. JESINOSKI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NORTHWESTERN DRUG CO. BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,650.

-30- 332
#90283c0114 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 17, 1990, D.S. KENNEDY, DIR. OF MOLOKAI RANCH LTD (TICKER: MKAI) SOLD 1,015 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90283c0115 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 17, 1990, W.E. MCCALLUM, DIR. OF MOLOKAI RANCH LTD (TICKER: MKAI) SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90283c0116 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, B.N. NESTOR, DIR. OF NVF CO. (TICKER: NVFC) BOUGHT 5,200 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 251
#90283c0117 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, B.N. NESTOR, DIR. OF NVF CO.(TICKER: NVFC) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 245
#90283c0118 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 14, 1990, B.N. NESTOR, DIR. OF NVF CO.(TICKER: NVFC) BOUGHT 5,100 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 250
#90283c0119 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, B.N. NESTOR, DIR. OF NVF CO.(TICKER: NVFC) BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 450,909.

-30- 287
#90283c0120 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 3, 1990, R.B. PERRY III, DIR. OF READING CO.(TICKER: RDGC) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90283c0122 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, AMBRO & CO, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. SOLD 490 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 353,471.

-30- 331
#90283c0123 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, J.A. MOTLEY, PRES. OF AMERICAN NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,366.

-30- 318
#90283c0124 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 1, 1990, S. GUNDERSEN, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (NJ) (TICKER: INBC) SOLD 1,102 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,309.

-30- 330
#90283c0125 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, S. SOKOL, CHAIRMAN OF WESTFORD GROUP INC. BOUGHT 75,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90283c0126 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, S. SOKOL, CHAIRMAN OF WESTFORD GROUP INC. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 302,273.

-30- 293
#90283c0127 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, DAVID W MARTIN, OFFICER OF ADOBE RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: ADB), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 322
#90283c0128 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JACK C FISHER, DIR. OF ADDINGTON RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: ADDR), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 319
#90283c0130 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, STANLEY I LANDGRAF, DIR. OF ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: AIN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90283c0131 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, STANLEY I LANDGRAF, DIR. OF ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: AIN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 9,000.

-30- 321
#90283c0132 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DAVID J HOPKINS JR, DIR. OF AUTOTROL CORP. (TICKER: AUTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,378.

-30- 308
#90283c0133 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 32,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 314,750.

-30- 344
#90283c0134 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 32,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 314,750.

-30- 341
#90283c0135 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 302,000.

-30- 360
#90283c0136 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296

#90283c0138 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90283c0139 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90283c0140 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90283c0141 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90283c0142 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90283c0143 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90283c0144 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90283c0146 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 24,500 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90283c0147 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90283c0148 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 336,100.

-30- 337
#90283c0149 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90283c0150 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90283c0151 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0152 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0154 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0155 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90283c0156 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90283c0157 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90283c0158 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90283c0159 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 24,500 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90283c0160 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90283c0162 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90283c0163 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90283c0164 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90283c0165 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90283c0166 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90283c0167 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90283c0168 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90283c0170 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 24,500 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90283c0171 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90283c0172 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 326,100.

-30- 351
#90283c0173 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ALLEN D MAROLD, OFFICER OF BOWNE & CO. (TICKER: BNE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90283c0174 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ALLEN D MAROLD, OFFICER OF BOWNE & CO. (TICKER: BNE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,200.

-30- 298
#90283c0175 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MORTON E GOULDER, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90283c0176 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MORTON E GOULDER, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90283c0178 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MORTON E GOULDER, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,752.

-30- 335
#90283c0179 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MORTON E GOULDER, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90283c0180 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DONALD R STEPHENS, CHAIRMAN OF BANK SAN FRANCISCO CO. HOLDING CO. (DEL) (TICKER: BOF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90283c0181 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, DONALD R STEPHENS, CHAIRMAN OF BANK SAN FRANCISCO CO. HOLDING CO. (DEL) (TICKER: BOF), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $4.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 558,648.

-30- 370
#90283c0182 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, GERRY A BILLER, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 315
#90283c0183 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DONALD E JOHNSON JR, CHAIRMAN OF CITIZENS BANKING CORP. (TICKER: CBCF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,904.

-30- 335
#90283c0184 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, RICHARD L HUBER, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 319
#90283c0186 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, S WAITE RAWLS III, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90283c0187 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, S WAITE RAWLS III, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90283c0188 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, S WAITE RAWLS III, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90283c0189 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, S WAITE RAWLS III, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90283c0190 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, S WAITE RAWLS III, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90283c0191 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, S WAITE RAWLS III, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90283c0192 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, S WAITE RAWLS III, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90283c0194 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC, BEN. OWNER OF CENTERCORE INC. (TICKER: CCOR), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $0.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,729,757.

-30- 344
#90283c0195 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, RALPH B PERRY III, DIR. OF CITADEL HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: CDL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,900.

-30- 315
#90283c0196 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, EDWARD L HUTTON, PRES. OF CHEMED CORP. (TICKER: CHE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90283c0197 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, EDWARD L HUTTON, PRES. OF CHEMED CORP. (TICKER: CHE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,244.

-30- 301
#90283c0198 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90283c0199 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 335
#90283c0200 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, FRANK J DISANTO JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COPYTELE INC. (TICKER: COPY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0202 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, RALPH B PERRY III, DIR. OF CRAIG CORP. (TICKER: CRG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90283c0203 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RALPH B PERRY III, DIR. OF CRAIG CORP. (TICKER: CRG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 297
#90283c0204 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, C WOODROW REA, DIR. OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90283c0205 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, C WOODROW REA, DIR. OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90283c0206 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, C WOODROW REA, DIR. OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90283c0207 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, C WOODROW REA, DIR. OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90283c0208 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, C WOODROW REA, DIR. OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 677,472.

-30- 308
#90283c0210 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, EDWARD D BUREAU, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CORNERSTONE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSTN), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,056.

-30- 355
#90283c0211 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, EDWARD D BUREAU, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CORNERSTONE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSTN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING

INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 350
#90283c0212 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JOHN M TERRAVECCHIA, PRES. OF CORNERSTONE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSTN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,138.

-30- 343
#90283c0213 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, LEE H JAVITCH, DIR. OF DAUPHIN DEPOSIT CORP. (TICKER: DAPN), SOLD 9,450 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,300.

-30- 318
#90283c0214 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, PHILLIP DASH, DIR. OF DASH INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DASH), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90283c0215 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PHILLIP DASH, DIR. OF DASH INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DASH), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,000.

-30- 305
#90283c0216 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, L RONALD HOOVER, PRES. OF DICEON ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: DICN), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 325

#90283c0218 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 6,100 SHARES AT $5.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 294

#90283c0219 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $5.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 294

#90283c0220 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF DALLAS SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: DS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,462,216.

-30- 337

#90283c0221 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, HARRIS A SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF DYANSEN CORP. (TICKER: DYAN), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $1.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 274

#90283c0222 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, HARRIS A SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF DYANSEN CORP. (TICKER: DYAN), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $1.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 274

#90283c0223 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, HARRIS A SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF DYANSEN CORP. (TICKER: DYAN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90283c0224 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, HARRIS A SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF DYANSEN CORP. (TICKER: DYAN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,132,100.

-30- 315
#90283c0226 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1989, PAUL E NOBLE JR, VP OF EMC CORP. (MA) (TICKER: EMC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,101.

-30- 310
#90283c0227 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, WENDELL P HURLBUT III, PRES. OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90283c0228 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, WENDELL P HURLBUT III, PRES. OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90283c0229 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, WENDELL P HURLBUT III, PRES. OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90283c0230 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, WENDELL P HURLBUT III, PRES. OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90283c0231 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, WENDELL P HURLBUT III, PRES. OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90283c0232 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, WENDELL P HURLBUT III, PRES. OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90283c0234 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, WENDELL P HURLBUT III, PRES. OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90283c0235 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, WENDELL P HURLBUT III, PRES. OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,200.

-30- 313
#90283c0236 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLIAM F CHILDRESS, PRES. OF FIRST AMFED CORP. (TICKER: FAMF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,532.

-30- 320
#90283c0237 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, THOMAS L CASSIDY, DIR. OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. (TICKER: FBO), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90283c0238 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, THOMAS L CASSIDY, DIR. OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. (TICKER: FBO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,408.

-30- 328
#90283c0239 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, MANUEL PERRY JR, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FCOB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,169.

-30- 332
#90283c0240 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, HOWARD LAMONT, SHAREHOLDER OF FREEPORT-MCMORAN COPPER CO. (TICKER: FCX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90283c0242 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PHILIP GREER, DIR. OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,378.

-30- 306
#90283c0243 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PHILIP GREER, DIR. OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX), SOLD 250 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90283c0244 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PHILIP GREER, DIR. OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX), SOLD 250 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,956.

-30- 306
#90283c0245 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, STANISLAW H BEDNARSKI, BEN. OWNER OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90283c0246 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, STANISLAW H BEDNARSKI, BEN. OWNER OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90283c0247 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, STANISLAW H BEDNARSKI, BEN. OWNER OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90283c0248 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, STANISLAW H BEDNARSKI, BEN. OWNER OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90283c0250 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, STANISLAW H BEDNARSKI, BEN. OWNER OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90283c0251 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, STANISLAW H BEDNARSKI, BEN. OWNER OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90283c0252 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, STANISLAW H BEDNARSKI, BEN. OWNER OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 129,900.

-30- 342
#90283c0253 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, FRANK P FELTON III, CHAIRMAN OF FLAGSHIP FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FLGF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 332
#90283c0254 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HOBART D POLLARD JR, DIR. OF FLAGSHIP FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FLGF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 325
#90283c0255 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HOBART D POLLARD JR, DIR. OF FLAGSHIP FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FLGF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 327
#90283c0256 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, KATHERINE AUGUST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,500.

-30- 354
#90283c0258 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90283c0259 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 168,300.

-30- 333
#90283c0260 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JAMES F JOY, DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,600.

-30- 339
#90283c0261 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, BARRANT V MERRILL, DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90283c0262 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, BARRANT V MERRILL, DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $4.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,150.

-30- 336
#90283c0263 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, HERSHEL M RICH, DIR. OF FRIEDMAN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FRD), BOUGHT 5,300 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90283c0264 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, HERSHEL M RICH, DIR. OF FRIEDMAN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FRD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90283c0266 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, J G RUTLEDGE III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST SECURITY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FSFC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,175.

-30- 365
#90283c0267 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, MILES J SMITH JR, DIR. OF FIRST SECURITY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FSFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,802.

-30- 337
#90283c0268 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, WALTER J DAVIS, DIR. OF FIRST STATE FINL SVCS INC. (TICKER: FSFI), BOUGHT 4,210 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,101.

-30- 328
#90283c0269 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ROBERT J MEIER, VP OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 311
#90283c0270 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, EARL C SHANKS, VP OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,100.

-30- 313
#90283c0271 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ROBERT H ZALOKAR, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST VIRGINIA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FVB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,673.

-30- 338
#90283c0272 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CORNELIUS C BOND, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90283c0274 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, CORNELIUS C BOND, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,618.

-30- 313
#90283c0275 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90283c0276 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90283c0277 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,618.

-30- 319
#90283c0278 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CHARLES GELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF GELMAN SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GSC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90283c0279 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CHARLES GELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF GELMAN SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GSC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90283c0280 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, CHARLES GELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF GELMAN SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GSC), BOUGHT 12,300 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90283c0282 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, STEVEN D BENCH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90283c0283 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, STEVEN D BENCH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 285,000.

-30- 341
#90283c0284 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JEFF J FISHMAN, PRES. OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 842,000.

-30- 323
#90283c0285 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, D M STEUERT, VP OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90283c0286 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, D M STEUERT, VP OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 290
#90283c0287 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, D M STEUERT, VP OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90283c0288 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, D M STEUERT, VP OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 290
#90283c0290 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, ZELLA A KAISER, BEN. OWNER OF H & H OIL TOOL CO. (TICKER: HHOT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 453,216.

-30- 327
#90283c0291 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, MICHAEL MARGOLIES, CHAIRMAN OF HOLLAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOLL), SOLD 13,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,787,487.

-30- 342
#90283c0292 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, RALPH P HOFSTAD, DIR. OF HON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HONI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90283c0293 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RALPH P HOFSTAD, DIR. OF HON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HONI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,800.

-30- 302
#90283c0294 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, WALTER H HELMERICH III, CHAIRMAN OF HELMERICH & PAYNE INC. (TICKER: HP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,561,878.

-30- 343
#90283c0295 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MORGAN GUARANTY TRUST CO OF NY, BEN. OWNER OF MORGAN (J.P.) & CO. (TICKER: JPM), SOLD 8,017 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,286,169.

-30- 366
#90283c0296 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, THEODORE M ALFRED, DIR. OF KEITHLEY INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: KEI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,800.

-30- 327
#90283c0298 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES T RHIND, DIR. OF KEWAUNEE SCIENTIFIC CORP. (TICKER: KEQU), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,282.

-30- 324
#90283c0299 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, GLENAYRE ELECTRONICS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF KUSTOM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: KUST), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90283c0300 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, GLENAYRE ELECTRONICS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF KUSTOM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: KUST), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $4.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90283c0301 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, GLENAYRE ELECTRONICS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF KUSTOM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: KUST), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $4.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 318

#90283c0302 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GLENAYRE ELECTRONICS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF KUSTOM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: KUST), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90283c0303 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, GLENAYRE ELECTRONICS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF KUSTOM ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: KUST), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $3.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,396,973.

-30- 361
#90283c0304 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DAVID J ZUVER, DIR. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), SOLD 4,222 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,078.

-30- 320
#90283c0306 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, THOMAS A LANDSHOF, VP OF LILLY INDUSTRIAL COATING INC. (TICKER: LICI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,940.

-30- 336
#90283c0307 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DOLPH BRISCOE JR, DIR. OF MCORP. (TICKER: M), SOLD 180,217 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90283c0308 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DOLPH BRISCOE JR, DIR. OF MCORP. (TICKER: M), SOLD 435 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 248
#90283c0309 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DOLPH BRISCOE JR, DIR. OF MCORP. (TICKER: M), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 251
#90283c0310 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, S JAMES MILLER JR, VP OF MARROW-TECH INC. (TICKER: MARO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 307
#90283c0311 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JOHN C NICHOLLS JR, OFFICER OF MASCO CORP. (TICKER: MAS), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,000.

-30- 311
#90283c0312 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, WILLIAM O BAILEY, DIR. OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 295
#90283c0314 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES E MALLING, DIR. OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750.

-30- 287
#90283c0315 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JULLIETTE S TEHRANI, VP OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90283c0316 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JULLIETTE S TEHRANI, VP OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,200.

-30- 290
#90283c0317 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, RICHARD L WEILL, OFFICER OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90283c0318 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, RICHARD L WEILL, OFFICER OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 298
#90283c0319 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF MERCHANTS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MCHN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90283c0320 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF MERCHANTS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MCHN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $15.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 438,188.

-30- 364
#90283c0322 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, THOMAS E MCMILLAN JR, BEN. OWNER OF MALLON RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: MLRC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90283c0323 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, THOMAS E MCMILLAN JR, BEN. OWNER OF MALLON RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: MLRC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90283c0324 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, THOMAS E MCMILLAN JR, BEN. OWNER OF MALLON RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: MLRC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,541.

-30- 341
#90283c0325 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, SPENCER G POPE, DIR. OF MINERS NATIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: MNBC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,754.

-30- 333
#90283c0326 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, CHRISTOPHER J CONWAY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $14.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 443,500.

-30- 343
#90283c0327 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CHARLES E AUSTIN, DIR. OF MGI PHARMA INC. (TICKER: MOGN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,000.

-30- 311
#90283c0328 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JACK H MORRIS III, DIR. OF M.S. CARRIERS INC. (TICKER: MSCA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 316
#90283c0330 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, MICHAEL S STARNES, CHAIRMAN OF M.S. CARRIERS INC. (TICKER: MSCA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90283c0331 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, MICHAEL S STARNES, CHAIRMAN OF M.S. CARRIERS INC. (TICKER: MSCA), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90283c0332 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, MICHAEL S STARNES, CHAIRMAN OF M.S. CARRIERS INC. (TICKER: MSCA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90283c0333 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MICHAEL S STARNES, CHAIRMAN OF M.S. CARRIERS INC. (TICKER: MSCA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,828,156.

-30- 329
#90283c0334 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, GEORGE S MOORE, DIR. OF MERCANTILE STORES CO. (TICKER:

MST), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $29.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,650.

-30- 319
#90283c0335 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, COMMON INVESTMENT FUND, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBM), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 137,713.

-30- 355
#90283c0336 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JAMES H CAMERON, DIR. OF NATIONAL GAS & OIL CO. (TICKER: NLG), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,312.

-30- 320
#90283c0338 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DONALD E SVEEN, PRES. OF NUVEEN INVESTMENT QUALITY MUN FD INC. (TICKER: NQM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 347
#90283c0339 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PETER J SPRAGUE, CHAIRMAN OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: NSM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90283c0340 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PETER J SPRAGUE, CHAIRMAN OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: NSM), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,463.

-30- 333
#90283c0341 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, N BUD GROSSMAN, DIR. OF NORTHERN STATES POWER CO. (MN) (TICKER: NSP), BOUGHT 2,650 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,650.

-30- 338
#90283c0342 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 21, 1989, FRANK R LOCKE, DIR. OF NORTHEAST UTILITIES (TICKER: NU), SOLD 1,455 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,579.

-30- 311
#90283c0343 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1986, FRANK R LOCKE, DIR. OF NORTHEAST UTILITIES (TICKER: NU), SOLD 1,050 SHARES AT $21.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,049.

-30- 311
#90283c0344 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 22, 1986, FRANK R LOCKE, DIR. OF NORTHEAST UTILITIES (TICKER: NU), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $24.82 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 567.

-30- 305
#90283c0346 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, WILLIAM M GREGG, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 36,000 SHARES AT $6.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 831,685.

-30- 326
#90283c0347 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA TESS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ONEITA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ONA), BOUGHT 36,000 SHARES AT $6.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 854,285.

-30- 340
#90283c0348 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ARTHUR L SCHIEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PROGRESS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PFNC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90283c0349 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ARTHUR L SCHIEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PROGRESS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PFNC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,433.

-30- 349
#90283c0350 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90283c0351 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90283c0352 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90283c0354 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90283c0355 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90283c0356 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 10,700 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90283c0357 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90283c0358 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 320,681.

-30- 320
#90283c0359 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, RALPH E CARP, PRES. OF PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PSIX), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $1.11 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90283c0360 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, RALPH E CARP, PRES. OF PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PSIX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 575.

-30- 313
#90283c0362 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, RODNEY E SLIFER, DIR. OF PUBLIC SERVICE CO. OF COLORADO (TICKER: PSR), BOUGHT 102 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,866.

-30- 325
#90283c0363 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DALE L MEDFORD, OFFICER OF REYNOLDS & REYNOLDS CO. (TICKER: REY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,400.

-30- 330
#90283c0364 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JOHN W ROLLINS JR, PRES. OF ROLLINS TRUCK LEASING CORP. (TICKER: RLC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90283c0365 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JOHN W ROLLINS JR, PRES. OF ROLLINS TRUCK LEASING CORP. (TICKER: RLC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 241,375.

-30- 333
#90283c0366 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RICHARD S MILLER, DIR. OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90283c0367 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RICHARD S MILLER, DIR. OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,097.

-30- 322
#90283c0368 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, DOUGLAS A MCGREGOR, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90283c0370 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, GEORGE S PETTY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REPAP ENTERPRISES CORP.,INC. (TICKER: RPAP), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 243,300.

-30- 376
#90283c0371 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, GEORGE S PETTY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REPAP ENTERPRISES CORP.,INC. (TICKER: RPAP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90283c0372 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, GEORGE S PETTY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REPAP ENTERPRISES CORP.,INC. (TICKER: RPAP), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 228,300.

-30- 375
#90283c0373 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, GEORGE S PETTY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REPAP

ENTERPRISES CORP.,INC. (TICKER: RPAP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 243,500.

-30- 371
#90283c0374 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, RICHARD J GLAISNER, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,100.

-30- 338
#90283c0375 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, RICHARD J GLAISNER, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 335
#90283c0376 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, RONALD A WARD, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,780.

-30- 331
#90283c0378 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CRAIG R ANDERSSON, DIR. OF RMI TITANIUM CO. (TICKER: RTI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,800.

-30- 314
#90283c0379 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, LAMPKIN BUTTS, OFFICER OF SANDERSON FARMS INC. (TICKER: SAFM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 319
#90283c0380 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ANNIE DAVID, BEN. OWNER OF SANMARK-STARDUST INC. (TICKER: SMK), SOLD 724,337 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,221,264.

-30- 329
#90283c0381 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JAMES K BAKKEN, DIR. OF SIMPSON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SMPS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 307
#90283c0382 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JOHN H VANDEPOL, OFFICER OF SCEPTRE RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: SRL), SOLD 3,556 SHARES AT $4.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90283c0383 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JOSEPH J LAZZARA, PRES. OF SCIENTIFIC TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STIZ), SOLD 837 SHARES AT $3.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,212,972.

-30- 335
#90283c0384 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, THOMAS H GARRETT III, DIR. OF ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: STJM), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,000.

-30- 328
#90283c0386 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, STATESMAN GROUP INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90283c0387 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, STATESMAN GROUP INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90283c0388 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, STATESMAN GROUP INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 6,100 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90283c0389 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, STATESMAN GROUP INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 6,300 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 145,650.

-30- 353
#90283c0390 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, HALLOCK LUCE, DIR. OF SUFFOLK BANCORP. (TICKER: SUBK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,162.

-30- 303
#90283c0391 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90283c0392 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 352 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0394 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0395 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 350 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0396 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90283c0397 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90283c0398 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0399 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 110 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0400 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0402 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90283c0403 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0404 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90283c0405 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90283c0406 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0407 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90283c0408 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90283c0410 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90283c0411 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90283c0412 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 350 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0413 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0414 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 139 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0415 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0416 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0418 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90283c0419 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,741.

-30- 336

#90283c0420 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BOBBY J WEATHERFORD, DIR. OF SYLVAN FOODS HLDGS INC. (TICKER: SYLN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90283c0421 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, BOBBY J WEATHERFORD, DIR. OF SYLVAN FOODS HLDGS INC. (TICKER: SYLN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90283c0422 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, BOBBY J WEATHERFORD, DIR. OF SYLVAN FOODS HLDGS INC. (TICKER: SYLN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,926.

-30- 333
#90283c0423 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ARTHUR T GODWIN, VP OF TECH DATA CORP. (TICKER: TECD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90283c0424 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ARTHUR T GODWIN, VP OF TECH DATA CORP. (TICKER: TECD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 300
#90283c0426 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES A ROSS, DIR. OF TIE/COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TIE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90283c0427 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES A ROSS, DIR. OF TIE/COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TIE), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $0.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90283c0428 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JAMES A ROSS, DIR. OF TIE/COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TIE), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90283c0429 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES A ROSS, DIR. OF TIE/COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TIE), BOUGHT 7,200 SHARES AT $0.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90283c0430 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JAMES A ROSS, DIR. OF TIE/COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TIE), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $0.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 320
#90283c0431 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, GLEN R MORENO, DIR. OF TAIWAN FUND INC. (TICKER: TWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 305
#90283c0432 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, WILLIAM F ANDREWS, PRES. OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,500.

-30- 311
#90283c0434 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, ROGER G KENNEDY, DIR. OF VESTAR INC. (TICKER: VSTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 301
#90283c0435 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, RICHARD F DOYLE, DIR. OF WALLACE COMPUTER SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WCS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 327
#90283c0436 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, THOMAS L EARNSHAW, PRES. OF WASTE RECOVERY INC. (TICKER: WRII), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,000.

-30- 323
#90283c0437 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, WILLIAM T CASPERS, DIR. OF WESCO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WSC), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $51.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90283c0438 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, WILLIAM T CASPERS, DIR. OF WESCO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WSC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $51.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90283c0439 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, WILLIAM T CASPERS, DIR. OF WESCO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WSC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $50.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90283c0440 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, WILLIAM T CASPERS, DIR. OF WESCO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WSC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $50.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90283c0442 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY J.L. SIMMET OWNS 714,000 SHARES (12.20%) OF SYNTECH INTL INC (TICKER: SYNE) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 23, 1990 through Oct. 3, 1990, J.L. Simmet purchased 62,000 shares at an undisclosed share price.

-30- 440
#90283c0443 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

E. AND M. SHEA REAL PROPERTY TRUST OWNS 1,335,000 SHARES (6.90%) OF MIZLOU COMMUNICATIONS (TICKER: MZLU) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90283c0444 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY J.H. GOLDMAN OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 467,400 SHARES (21.45%) OF JW MAYS INC (TICKER: MAYS).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 31, 1990, the preliminary co-executors sold 35,000 shares of common stock of J.W. Mays Inc., 10,000 shares at a price $24.88 per share and 25,000 shares at a price of $25.38 per share.

-30- 520
#90283c0445 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Oct. 8, 1990, JWP Inc. announced that the tender offer by JWP Inc. subsidiary for all of Compumat Inc.'s (TICKER: CPT) common stock at $3.25 net per share in cash expired Oct. 5, 1990. JWP has been advised that 1,896,000 Compumat shares (97 percent) were tendered and all shares have been accepted. Payment for shares validly tendered will be made as soon as practical after receipt of all necessary documents by The Bank of New York.

PURPOSE:

Completion of tender offer.

-30- 720
#90283c0447 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY RIT CAPITAL PARTNERS PLC OWNS 756,133 SHARES (11.00%) OF HEALTH IMAGES INC (TICKER: HIMG) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 391
#90283c0448 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY 7HBF LTD OWNS 1,501,355 SHARES (42.20%) OF L P FFP PARTNERS (TICKER: FFP) OF FT WORTH, TX.

PURPOSE:

To consolidate the holdings of stock of the affiliated companies by the general and limited partners who contributed such stock; investment.

-30- 456
#90283c0449 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWNS 1,964,300 SHARES (15.00%) OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC (TICKER: LQM) OF SAN ANTONIO, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Industrial Equity Pacific LTD has notified La Quinta Motor Inns Inc. by letter dated Oct. 10 that it does not agree with La Quinta Motor Inns Inc.'s plans to adopt a shareholder rights plan as announced by La Quinta Motor Inns Inc. on Sept. 26.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 8 and Sept. 7, 1990 Industrial Equity Pacific LTD purchased 80,700 shares at $14.75 to $15.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Opposition of establishment of an La Quinta Motor Inns Inc. rights plan.

-30- 855
#90283c0451 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 25

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Renault announced the completion of its tender offer on Oct. 4, 1990. Mack (TICKER: MACK) has become a wholly owned subsidiary of Renault.

-30- 349
#90283c0452 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY BROWN INVESTMENT CO OWNS 1,576,000 SHARES (24.80%) OF H.H. ROBERTSON CO (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On May 21, 1990, the company and Ceco Industries Inc., of which Brown Investment Co. are stockholders, entered into an agreement and plan of reorganization, which became effective Oct. 4, 1990. The agreement provides for a merger of Ceco and the company into the surviving corporation. On June 8 and amended July 12, the stockholders entered into a separate stockholders agreement with the company, in which Brown Investment Co., who own 98 percent of Ceco, have agreed to vote their shares in favor of the merger.

PURPOSE:

Plan of reorganization.

-30- 910
#90283c0453 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY CORPORATE PARTNERS LP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 7,467,416 SHARES (12.58%) OF POLAROID CORP (TICKER: PRD) OF CAMBRIDGE, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 1, 1990, the filers received 67.5 shares of series C stock as a dividend.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Corporate Partners LP purchased 50,500 shares from Aug. 10 to Sept. 28, 1990 for $29.73 to $35.05 per share.

-30- 572
#90283c0454 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

NORTH FORK BANCORP OF MATTITUCKY, NY OWNS 184,500 SHARES (4.60%) OF EASTCHESTER FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: ECFC) OF WHITE PLAINS, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 5, 1990, North Fork Bancorp and Eastchester Financial Corp. entered into a revised merger agreement providing for North Fork Bancorp's acquisition of Eastchester Financial Corp. for $15.50 per share in cash. The parties also agreed to terminate the stock option agreement and North Fork ceased to own more than 5 percent of the stock of Eastchester Financial Corp.

PURPOSE:

Revised agreement and plan of merger.

-30- 791
#90283c0455 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 5,158,758 SHARES (24.45%) OF WESTERN PUBLISHING GROUP INC (TICKER: WPGI) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 10 to Oct. 5, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 20,000 shares and sold 118,860 shares for $12.38 to $16.75 per share.

-30- 522
#90283c0456 10/10/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY RIT CAPITAL PARTNERS PLC OWNS 1,427,579 SHARES (31.20%) OF ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: ICGN) OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 404
#90283c0457 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY J.T. STEPHENS OWNS 3,912,974 SHARES (35.80%) OF WORTHEN BANKING CORP (TICKER: WOR).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.T. Stephens purchased 545,423 shares for $10 per share from Balder Corp. and Anthony Salim pursuant to a stock purchase agreement.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.T. Stephens purchased 545,423 shares for $10 per share and 3,000 shares on Oct. 1, 1990 for $10.50 per share.

-30- 595
#90283c0459 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

T.A. DULDE OWNS 62,926 SHARES (3.40%) OF REXWORKS INC (TICKER: REXW) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

T.A. Dulde is no longer a trustee of Rexworks Inc.'s employee stock plan and is no longer the beneficial owner of the shares held by the plan.

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#90283c0460 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

WARRINGTONS PLC OWNS 21,219,367 SHARES (80.80%) OF GROWTH DEVELOPMENT CORP (TICKER: GDCX) OF ANTIOCH, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

By letter agreement dated Sept. 30, 1990 Warringtons PLC. agreed to acquire 9,002,479 Growth Development Corp. common shares at $.35 per share. In satisfaction of the purchase price for the shares, Warringtons PLC transferred two parcels of real estate located in Atlanta Georgia to Growth Development Corp.

PURPOSE:

Letter agreement for purchase of shares.

-30- 702
#90283c0461 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

WARRINGTONS PLC OWNS 600,000 SHARES (26.20%) OF GROWTH DEVELOPMENT CORP (TICKER: GDCX) OF ANTIOCH, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

By letter agreement dated Sept. 30, 1990 Warringtons PLC agreed to acquire 9,002,479 Growth Development Corp. common shares at $.35 per share. In satisfaction of the purchase price for the shares, Warringtons PLC transferred two parcels of real estate located in Atlanta Georgia to Growth Development Corp.

PURPOSE:

Letter agreement for purchase of shares.

-30- 698
#90283c0462 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY SNIA BPD SPA OWNS 8,921,458 SHARES (54.16%) OF INCSTAR CORP (TICKER: ISR) OF STILLWATER, MN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Since July 1, 1990, pursuant to a put option agreement exercisable from July 1 1990 to June 30, 1991, the Bioengineering subsector, made up of subsidiaries of Snia BPD SPA, has purchased a total of 88,860 option shares from two executives. In September, 1990 the company entered into an asset purchase agreement with Baxter International Inc. providing for the purchase of certain assets of Baxter's Clinical Assays business unit in exchange partially for 600,000 shares of the company's common stock. In order to maintain its percentage ownership of the company after the above transaction, the Bioengineering Subsector purchased 650,782 shares of company common stock at $4.50 per share for an aggregate purchase price of $2,928,519 pursuant to the purchase rights agreement. Upon the Bioengineering Subsector's acquisition of majority ownership of the company, Sorin and the Company entered into two distributorship agreements and the technology transfer agreement.

PURPOSE:

To create and develop a majority-owned investment in a U.S. based manufacturer of immunodiagnostic test kits.

-30- 1429
#90283c0463 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 3,311,900 SHARES (14.42%) OF THE LVI GROUP INC (TICKER: LVI) OF NORTH HILLS, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 18, 1990 through Oct. 8, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 67,200 shares at a price of $0.13 to $0.41 per share and sold 168,700 shares at a price of $0.13 to $0.44 per share.

-30- 556
#90283c0464 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 11) COMTEX - Baltimore-based Waverly Inc.(TICKER: WAVR) has acquired most of the publishing assets of the Harwal Publishing Co. of

Media, Pa., from John Wiley & Sons Inc. for $8 million in cash.

The assets acquired include about 25 book titles, publishing contracts, a non-compete agreement, trademark and goodwill, and certain fixed assets, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Harwal publishes the National Medical Series of review books for medical students.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 10, 1990.

-30- 745
#90283c0465 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 11) COMTEX - Fort Lauderdale, Fla.-based, Niagara Corp. (TICKER: NIAG) has acquired Offerdale Inc. of Escondido, Calif., Niagara's largest distributor of therapy bed and therapy chair products, from Mark Ostrov for 4 million Niagara common shares and $1.45 million in cash.

Offerdale, also known as Niagara Distribution, was Niagara's master distributor in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Washington, Nevada and California, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 10, 1990.

-30- 756
#90283c0467 10/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 11) COMTEX - Concord, N.H.-based Healthsource Inc. (TICKER: HLTH) has signed a definitive, management-services agreement with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Vermont Inc., Vermont's largest health-care insurer, to provide oversight and supervision services for Vermont Blue Cross subscribers.

The agreement calls for Healthsource to receive $450,000 a year in base compensation and additional incentive compensation based on certain health-care cost savings accruing to Blue Cross.

At Blue Cross's discretion, Healthsource will also help design a preferred provider organization and other care programs for its 160,000 members, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 10, 1990.

-30- 967
#90283d0010 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LIMA (OCT. 10) - Peru is to receive a bridging loan of 2.03 billion dollars to meet debts in arrears with the International Monetary Fund, World Bank and Inter-American Development Bank, Prime Minister Juan Hurtado Miller said.

Mr. Hurtado, also economy minister, was reporting Tuesday on meetings between the government and multilateral organizations on Peru's efforts to re-join the international financial community after years of isolation.

About 1.2 billion dollars will be loaned to Peru by a group of countries that includes Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Spain and the United States, he said.

He added that the Andean Reserve Fund would loan 370 million dollars and another 450 million dollars from its drawing rights with the IMF.

Mr. Hurtado said the international loan would not increase Peru's foreign debt of about 20 billion dollars.

He announced that the government would negotiate with the Paris Club in January and with the Club's consulting group and non-affiliated creditor countries in February.

The government is to open negotiations with creditor banks in March.

-30- 1293
#90283d0130 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT. 10) - China has secretely delivered 24 main battle tanks (MBT) to the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia, marking the first shipment of heavy armour to the guerrilla forces in the 12-year Cambodian war, Janes' Defense Weekly reported Wednesday.

The tanks, delivered to Khmer Rouge forces in the past two to three months, represent "the most significant increase in firepower the resistance to the Vietnamese-installed government has ever received," Jane's said.

The tank shipment was detected by Western intelligence satellites and the article said intelligence analysts in Bangkok believed the tanks were the Chinese Type 59 model.

Twelve of the tanks were presently located at the Khmer Rouge-controlled district capital of Anduns Veng in north Cambodia, while the remaining 12 were being kept near the Khmer Rouge district capital of Pailin in the western province of Battambang, Jane's said.

Frontline guerrilla commanders said half of the new tanks were to be used in an upcoming Khmer Rouge offensive to seize the key provincial capital of Siem Riep and the ancient temples of Angkor Wat.

The tanks were delivered from China by sea to Thailand early this year but were held up for unknown reasons before being transferred to Khmer Rouge forces the article said, citing unidentified Western intelligence sources.

The delivery was made after peace talks in Tokyo, boycotted by the Khmer Rouge and their Chinese backers, failed.

The shipment "marks a shift to conventional tactics in the wake of major guerrilla gains in rural areas in the last months," Jane's said.

Jane's also reported that Khmer Rouge forces had captured at least four Soviet-built T-54 tanks in the past year, all of which were now being kept at Paililn.

Guerrilla tank crews had been trained at military bases in China and the Khmer Rouge -- the communist faction in the tripartite coalition resistance to the Vietnamese-backed government of Cambodia -- is fully operational in the use of armour, according to guerrilla sources cited in the article.

It said the offensive against Siem Riep would be launched at the end of the rainy season in December or January.

-30- 2381

#90283d0180 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (OCT. 10) - Rival Christian factions have clashed northeast of the Lebanese capital, wounding five civilians in the worst fighting in the region for two weeks, security sources said Wednsday.

Troops loyal to renegade Christian military leader General Michel Aoun traded rocket and automatic weapons fire late Tuesday with the Lebanese Forces militia.

Gen. Aoun and the militia have been locked in a bitter battle for supremacy over Christian regions in and around Beirut for almost a year. More than 1,000 people have been killed since February.

The Metn region which the general controls northeast of Beirut has been under a government-imposed blockade since September 28. The measure aims to force him to recognise the Syrian-backed government of President Elias Hrawi.

-30- 951

#90283d0220 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 10) - China will shut down textile factories found to be turning out inferior quality products, Textiles Minister Wu Wenying said at the start of a quality-control campaign in the industry.

"For those producing sub-standard products, we will withdraw their licences for production and export without consideration," said Mrs. Wu, quoted Wednesday in the official China Daily newspaper.

Textiles are China's leading source of foreign exchange, accounting for 25 percent of its export earnings, and several foreign-trade experts say quality, rather than price, has been the weakest aspect of Chinese export goods.

Mrs. Wu, who worked in a textile factory before the Communist Party took power 41 years ago, said she personally would make spot checks on cotton-yarn and fabric production lines, and publish the results.

Twelve "special groups" made up of industry experts are to be sent to textile production centers around China, while similar teams are to be set up at the provincial and local levels, China Daily said.

Mrs. Wu, whose ministry has designated 1990 as "The Year of Textile Quality and Variety," said earlier efforts this year to improve quality had paid off,

with over 90 percent of cotton fabrics produced in Guangdong, Fujian, Beijing and Nanjing meeting export standards.

-30- 1499

#90283d0300 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Luxembourg (OCT. 10) - Economics and trade ministers of the 12-nation European Community (E.C.) began a one-day review here Wednesday of the E.C.'s position for the final phase of the ''Uruguay Round'' of trade liberalisation talks under the Gatt framework.

But the ministers were lacking a major component in what is to be the E.C.'s position at the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade talks - farm subsidies - meaning that the Community will not be able to meet Gatt's deadline for presenting its negotiating proposals.

Over 100 nations are to enter the final phase of Gatt negotiations in Geneva on October 15. Gatt secretary general Arthur Dunkel has demanded that all participants put their cards on the table then.

A spokesman for the Italian delegation, the current chairman of the E.C. ministerial council, said the trade ministers would not be drafting a position on the farm subsidy issue over the heads of the farm ministers.

The farm ministers are to meet again next week - at the same time that the

Gatt talks resume in Geneva - to debate again an E.C. Commission proposal that the E.C. should seek a 30 percent worldwide cut in agricultural subsidies for the ten-year period 1986-1996.

The economics and trade ministers will then hold a special meeting on October 18 to draft the E.C. position in the Gatt talks, the Italian spokesman said.

The final new world trade liberalisation agreement, covering 15 areas of international trade and commerce, is supposed to be concluded in December 3-7 talks in Brussels. The thorniest problem remains the issue of cuts in subsidies to farmers.

-30- 1812

#90283d0310 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MBARARA, Uganda (OCT. 10) - At least 1,000 Rwandan villagers were massacred by the Rwandan army in an attack against rebels from Uganda on Monday, refugees at the Uganda border post of Kizinga said Wednesday.

Stephen Kabaleka, a refugee priest, said the Rwandan army accused the villagers of supplying rebel forces with food and guns.

The 500 refugees, the first to enter Uganda since the invasion of their central African nation 11 days ago, said the Rwandan army wiped out three of 10 villages in north-east Rwanda.

Father Kabaleka said each village had an estimated 400 to 500 inhabitants. "There is no way one would have escaped since the soldiers had cordoned off each village before opening fire", he said.

Feresian Rutakubana, 15, who suffered multiple leg injuries said he saw "many bodies".

"The soldiers threw a grenade inside a house where about 30 of us were hiding and I think I am the only one who survived," he said.

The majority of the refugees were women and children.

"When I ran away, my husband was lying in a pool of blood", a 25-year-old woman carrying a three-month-old baby said.

A commander in the National Resistance Army - the official Ugandan army - at the border post, Captain Samuel Kizza, said he had heard heavy shooting across the border early Tuesday morning.

The refugees have no food, water, nor medicine. Captain Kizza said he had given them one bag of maize flour for porridge.

-30- 1646
#90283d0340 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (OCT. 11) - The Greek consumer price index rose by 3.5 percent in September compared with August, and compared with a monthly increase of 3.6 percent a year earlier, official figures showed on Wednesday.

This took the increase in prices during the previous 12 months to 21.8 per cent, and for the first nine months of the year to 19.6 percent.

-30- 550
#90283d0440 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Colombo (OCT. 10) - Rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam have relaxed restrictions on the movement of Tamil civilians out of northern Sri Lanka, unleashing a torrent of people heading south, according to refugees arriving here Wednesday.

More than 3,000 civilians began fleeing south early this week as soon as restrictions were eased, eyewitnesses said.

Restrictions had been imposed by Tamil rebels during intensified military operations about three months ago in a bid to avert a mass exodus of civilians out of the north.

Civilians arriving in Colombo Wednesday said over 3,000 people were seen at an army checkpoint in the northern town of Vavuniya while they were on their way to the capital.

The civilian population was earlier required to obtain permits from the Tamil rebels on payment before leaving the north. With the relaxation of restrictions, more were said to be planning to leave the northern peninsula to escape battle-imposed hardships.

Civilians said they had traveled mostly by night with vehicle lights switched off to prevent possible air attacks by Sri Lankan government forces. Rebels were moving freely in the Jaffna peninsula and troops were confined to the northern army camps in Palaly, Kankesanthurai and Elephant Pass, they added.

-30- 1487
#90283d0480 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (OCT. 10) - The German carmaker Volkswagen appeared to be close to reaching agreement with the car firm Skoda to buy into the Czechoslovak

company, sources at both firms said Wednesday.

They said that VW chairman Carl Hahn would lead a delegation to Czechoslovakia from October 29 to November 1, visiting both Prague and Bratislava, at which time an agreement could be signed.

"The signals in VW's favor are very positive," said one VW official. A skoda official confirmed the view.

The decision for the German carmaker has apparently followed a recent tour by several ministers in the Czechoslovak government, first to the French car concern Renault, then to VW's Spanish subsidiary Seat, and finally to VW headquarters in Wolfsburg.

Skoda and VW officials said that a few obstacles toward an agreement remain, but that these could be worked out by the time of Hahn's visit. A key issue is VW's insistence that it should not be restricted to gaining only a minority share in Skoda, as demanded by the Czechoslovak side.

-30- 1226

#90283d0490 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (OCT. 10) - The Swedish car manufacturer Volvo and France's Renault which signed an agreement on close co-operation, must continue to sell their cars under separate names, Volvo head Pehr G. Gyllenhammar said here Wednesday.

"Our trade-marks are our biggest capital," Mr. Gyllenhammar told the daily Svenska Dagbladet newspaper.

But he said that it would still be possible to sell cars under separate names on the same premises, and he did not rule out the sale of Renault vehicles through Volvo's network in the United States.

In the United States, Volvo sold cars in the middle and top ranges, but not small cars which consumed less petrol and cost less to run, he said.

The United States is Volvo's biggest foreign market and accounted for the sale of 101,000 Volvo cars in 1989.

Under the agreement with Renault, Renault will acquire 25 per cent of Volvo Car and Volvo will acquire 20 per cent of the capital and voting rights, and an option on five per cent, of Renault.

The two companies will also exchange equity holdings in their lorry businesses.

-30- 1270

#90283d0650 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DOHA (OCT. 10) - Iraqi forces have opened fire on demonstrators protesting food shortages linked to the Gulf crisis, killing or wounding an unspecified number of people, a Qatari newspaper reported Wednesday.

Ash-Sharq daily, citing unidentified sources in Baghdad, said the shooting took place recently in Iraq's southern port city of Basra. A number of people were also arrested, the report said.

The demonstrators had been urging the Iraqi government to "avoid war because it would be a catastrophe."

Iraq has faced a U.N. economic embargo since its August 2 invasion of Kuwait and there have been reports of food shortages in the country, amid rationing on staple goods.

-30- 861

#90283d0690 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 10) - The Soviet Communist Party has backed the privatisation of small businesses, which would allow capitalism back into the country after over half a century, a senior party official said Wednesday.

Vladimir Ivashko, the party's deputy leader, said a plenary session of the party's central committee, approved of the transition to a market economy during its two-day session here Monday and Tuesday.

Soviet President and party leader Mikhail Gorbachev is to put forward his proposals for economic reform on October 15 after being mandated to do so by the Supreme Soviet.

But Mr. Gorbachev appears not have given full details of his reforms to the central committee plenum, asking it only to approve the overall plan, according to statements made by Mr. Ivashko and other top officials at a press conference.

The central committee "gave no assessment of any (economic) programme," the deputy party leader said.

However, the Communist Party of the Soviet Union does not rule out private property over means of production," Mr. Ivashko noted.

"I think that for a long time (privatizations) will be limited to small businesses," he added, speaking of the impending economic reforms.

This privatization should be carried out in stages, he said, adding that private businesses might account for about seven per cent of the total number of such small enterprises within 10 to 12 months.

On the privatization of factories and larger firms however, Mr. Ivashko expressed the view that people would not be able to afford them.

He also rejected the idea of a free distribution of shares to workers and others, saying this would require too much legislative work. "Our time has already completely expired" for the preparation of the economic reform, he added.

Mr. Ivashko also rejected the idea of the privatization of land, saying that even writers such as Leon Tolstoi considered that "in the conditions of Russia, private property of land was a great wrong".

-30- 2199

#90283d0750 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (OCT. 10) - The Palestine Liberation Organisation will reject any United Nations resolution that fails to ensure the protection of Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories, a senior PLO official here said.

Yasser Abed Rabbo, a member of the PLO's executive commitee, also said the organization would hold the United States "responsible for the possible failure by the United Nations to reach a resolution aimed at protecting" Palestinians.

"We don't want a new resolution that will, as many others have, merely be a verbal condemnation (of Israel) because it will not have any practical power and will only encourage Israel to pursue its repression," said Mr. Abed Rabbo.

The PLO, he said, seeks a resolution that will "place the occupied territories under international supervision."

Mr. Abed Rabbo urged the Security Council to "assume its responsabilities to ensure the protection of the Palestinian people, who are subjected to daily massacres."

The Security Council was expected to resume consultations Wednesday afternoon that began Monday, hours after Israeli police shot dead 21 Palestinians in east Jerusalem and wounded 150.

Yemen and the United States have submitted separate draft resolutions asking for investigations into the bloodbath.

But while Yemen, on behalf of non-aligned countries, asked that the Security Council send a three-man mission to Israel, the U.S. request specifically called on the U.N. Secretary General to name the team.

-30- 1689

#90283d0850 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (OCT. 10) - Major structural changes are to be made soon in the Nigerian army in a bid to keep the military out of politics, chief of staff Salihu Ibrahim said in an article in the latest issue of the army publication Soja.

The aim was to turn out a more professional army dedicated exclusively to defending the nation, and to find a "permanent and enduring solution" to Nigeria's "perennial problem" of military interference in politics, General Ibrahim wrote.

The current military-led government is due to hand back power to civilians in October 1992.

Gen. Ibrahim said: "The solution being sought is not only aimed at ensuring that the military goes back to the barracks, come 1992, but that it remains permanently in the barracks once and for all".

That would require a "complete reorganisation" of the army, he noted.

Last month a large number of generals were retired as a preliminary step.

Military involvement in politics had been responsible for "the general falling standard of professionalism and discipline" in the military, with officers and men taking their military careers for granted, Gen. Ibrahim said.

-30- 1350

#90283d0890 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT. 10) - The Israeli police went on the defensive Wednesday against mounting criticism of its handling of unrest in east Jerusalem where more than 20 Palestinians were shot dead two days earlier.

"We refuse to be the only scapegoats," Police Commander Yaacov Terner said on Voice of Israel radio.

In the latest violence, sporadic clashes were reported between Palestinian demonstrators and Israeli security forces in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, where at least five Arabs were shot and wounded.

Correspondents in the territories said a strike by Palestinians to protest Monday's bloodbath was in its second day, while the army maintained its curfew on several communities.

The police commander dismissed charges of incompetence leveled against the force by the media and several political parties after the unrest in which police killed 21 Palestinians and wounded 150.

Israeli newspapers and some political groups have accused the police of failing to foresee and prevent the events that led to the bloodbath on the Temple Mount -- an east Jerusalem site holy to both Moslems and Jews.

Yossi Sarid of the leftist Ratz movement demanded an urgent meeting of the parliamentary committee on foreign affairs and defense.

Under public pressure, Police Minister Ronnie Milo said Tuesday he would name an independent commission to investigate the Temple Mount carnage, after scrapping an earlier decision to launch an internal police inquiry.

Two independent dailies set down conditions for the inquiry.

"This independent commission must also explain how women and Palestinians fleeing the scene were shot at point-blank range," the influential Haaretz newspaper said.

The daily Hadashot said the committee to be appointed by Mr. Milo should include "representatives of the concerned party: Moslem Arabs."

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#90283d0910 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (OCT. 10) - Turkey has agreed "in principle" to allow Vietnamese workers seeking repatriation from Iraq and Kuwait enter the country through the Habur border crossing, the foreign ministry said Wednesday.

Vietnamese officials in Baghdad and Iraqi authorities were holding talks on the arrangement, according to foreign ministry spokesman Murat Sungar.

Turkey would allow the Vietnamese to cross into its territory if direct repatriation from Baghdad or via any other country was not possible, he added.

Ankara insisted however that repatriations must be carried out in cooperation with international organizations.

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CAIRO (OCT. 10) - Egyptian newspapers Wednesday warned Israel against assuming that the Gulf crisis gave it a free hand to crack down on the Palestinians.

"Israel is making a mistake if it thinks that because the Arabs and the rest of the world are preoccupied by the Gulf crisis it is free to do what it likes in the occupied territories and to profane Moslem and Christian holy sites in Jerusalem," said the pro-government newspaper Al-Akhbar.

The press here continued to react to Monday's killings of 21 Palestinians by Israeli police near Moslem and Jewish shrines in east Jerusalem.

"Perhaps there is a tacit accord between authorities in Tel Aviv and the leader of Baghdad by which the latter will allow the Israelis a free hand in occupied Palestine to commit crimes similar to those he, himself, has committed against the Arab people of Kuwait," Al-Akhbar commented.

Egypt has been among the harshest Arab critics of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and his decision to invade and annex neighboring Kuwait last August.

Another newspaper, Al-Gumhouriya, said Israel had misunderstood the Gulf crisis by seeing it as a chance "to complete its plans to rid the holy city of its original population by terror and extermination in order to make way for the immigration of Jews from the Soviet Union and eastern Europe."

For the opposition newspaper Al-Wafd, the United States, "the only country capable of restraining Israel," must convince its ally that it is not authorized "to commit aggression against the Palestinians and the holy sites."

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#90283d0970 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (OCT. 10) - Pakistan's ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto Wednesday pleaded not gulty before a special court trying her on charges of misconduct and abuse of power.

She accused President Ghulam Ishaq Khan of leading a campaign to smear her.

Ms. Bhutto, who was exempted from appearing in court personally, pleaded not guilty in a written statement, witnesses said.

Heavily armed police searched visitors and blocked entry to the high court building, with only those holding special passes allowed in.

The counsel for Ms. Bhutto took exception to the presence of police dogs outside the court and to police searches of lawyers.

He demanded that police be present in uniform because he said plainclothed police had been involved in "hooliganism" at the Lahore high court on October 2 when Ms. Bhutto appeared at a hearing which the interim government said was disrupted by Bhutto supporters.

Traffic outside the court moved peacefully and members of Ms. Bhutto's People's Pakistan Party (PPP) failed to turn out at the court building.

Ms. Bhutto said that under article 248 of the constitution, a prime minister was not be answerable to any court for the exercise of powers and performance

of functions.

"The special court had no jurisdiction to issue notice," she said, because the cases filed against her by the interim government pertain to her actions as prime minister.

One case against her relates to alleged irregularities linked to an Asian Development Bank-funded energy development project. The other relates to the sale of cotton bales to alleged favorites at lower than market prices.

The cases were adjourned until Thursday.

Ms. Bhutto also faces two cases in a special court at Lahore where she appeared on Tuesday.

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#90283d1190 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHAFJI, SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 10) - Kuwaitis arriving here from the ravaged emirate said many Iraqi troops are tired and want to go home and appealed desperately to U.S. President George Bush to take action to prevent the further destruction of their homeland.

"I think the U.S. or some other country has to do something," said Faisal al-Ali, a 33-year-old civilian employee of the ministry of defense who crossed into Saudi Arabia on Monday with his wife and their two-month-old son. The boy was born on August 1, the day before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Explaining his reluctant decision to leave the emirate, Mr. Ali said: "I love Kuwait but unfortunately nobody is doing anything."

"Resistance is very slow right now because they have been checking every car and nobody's safe," he said as he sat with his wife and child in a car packed full of belongings while waiting to be processed by Saudi officials.

"If you go travel in the night you don't know if you come back to your home or not," he said.

Mr. Ali said Iraqi troops were carrying out summary executions in Kuwait City, particularly of young men.

"So many of my friends have been killed," he said. "They bring somebody who's been arrested to his family's home, ring the doorbell and when his parents come they shoot him."

A woman waiting in a Mercedes Benz with her seven-year-old daughter, five-year-old son and one-month-old baby said many Kuwaitis are frustrated.

"People want the problem to be solved even if it comes to war," said the woman who like many of the refugees declined to give her name out of fear for relatives still in Kuwait.

"We are ready to sacrifice," she said. "(Kuwaitis) are ready to die in their country and let it finish because everyday it's getting worse. The country is getting empty."

She said there had been no activity by Kuwaiti resistance fighters in her area although she had heard explosions in other parts of Kuwait City.

"The most important thing is the resistance of the people not to work with the Iraqis. They are indoors at home refusing to go to work," she said.

The woman said that many Iraqi troops were demoralized and were scrounging for food and water from house to house.

"They are tired of standing outside just checking cars every day," she said.

"Bush must push Saddam Hussein off his chair," said Adel, a 25-year-old airport worker as he sat in a white station wagon in a dusty parking lot after fleeing across the desert with his mother, sister and six-year-old brother.

He said the situation in Kuwait City was near anarchy. "There's no control. The officers are comfortable but the soldiers are tired after eight years of war (with Iran)," said Adel, who has had no contact with his wife since she crossed the border with her father several weeks ago.

Talel, a 23-year-old student who crossed into Saudi Arabia with 18 relatives in two cars, said many Iraqi soldiers were hoping to avoid a war with U.S. troops massed in Saudi Arabia.

He claimed that some of the Iraqi troops who invaded the emirate on August 2 had even hidden away white flags in case of a conflict.

"If they fight we will just surrender," he quoted an Iraqi soldier as saying.

The refugees, among the 500 or so Kuwaitis who a Saudi military officer said have been crossing the border daily for the past two weeks, said all services had been shut down in Kuwait City, streets were piled with garbage and that Iraqi troops were stealing everything from road signs to hospital supplies and shipping them back to Iraq.

The refugees said that to reach Saudi Arabia they had had to bribe and plead with Iraqi troops who stopped them several kilometers from Khafji, the only crossing point between Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, and took their passports and other identification.

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#90283d1340 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SRINAGAR, INDIA (OCT. 10) - The army enforced curfew in 12 districts of Srinagar for the fourth straight day Wednesday after street fighting in and around the city overnight left 16 people dead.

An official spokesman said four Moslem militants seeking the state of Kashmir's secession from India were killed in the outlying Rainwari area of Srinagar, Kashmir's summer capital.

The violence also left four civilians and two Border Security Force (BSF) troopers dead.

In the center of the city six civilians were killed and 15 people injured, five of them BSF troopers, in running street battles between the militants and security forces, the spokesman said.

Meanwhile Kashmiri newspapers reappeared for the first time in a week and the Kashmiri Editors' Conference issued a statement here saying it had decided to resume publication.

The statement also condemned alleged harassment of newsmen by security forces and demanded the release of two jailed editors, Aijaz Ahmad Khan and Ghulam Nabi Noorami.

Sources in the city said massive search operations had been mounted in downtown Srinagar. Curfew passes were cancelled, and Kashmir police vehicles banned from the areas of the city under army control.

Officials described the situation after three days of street battles and fires in residential and commercial districts in which at least 30 people have died as "tense but under control."

Thousands of residents are reported to have fled the burned out areas of the city and taken shelter in city mosques.

Civic services in Srinagar, urban hub of the separatist campaign which India charges is aided by Pakistan, were paralysed for the 26th day by a mass strike by state government employees demanding the reinstatement of five senior colleagues.

The five were dismissed last month for signing a letter presented to human rights organisations protesting alleged atrocities by Indian security forces in Kashmir, India's only Moslem majority state which is contested by Pakistan.

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#90283d1560 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOULOUSE, FRANCE (OCT. 10) - A new factory opened here on Wednesday to assemble future wide-bodied Airbus aircraft, will also build military versions of the Airbus-340 aircraft, Aerospatiale President Henri Martre said.

Aerospatiale is the French state-owned company responsible for the French participation in the European Airbus consortium, and Mr. Martre said that the Gulf crisis had highlighted the requirements for military equipment.

He said in a radio broadcast that military versions would be assembled "soon" for the French army and airforce.

He said that "the army needs long-range aircraft", and noted that the Airbus-340 had a range of 14,000 kilometres (8,750 miles).

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#90283d1610 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) - Oil futures prices continued to climb Wednesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange, with a barrel of light sweet crude, the U.S. benchmark, gaining 51 cents to 40.91 dollars for November delivery.

Tuesday light sweet crude prices jumped 1.45 dollars to 40.40 dollars.

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#90283d1640 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONTREAL (OCT. 10) - Air Canada, struggling against an economic downturn in North America and high jet fuel prices due to the Gulf crisis, plans to dismiss 2,900 employees, cancel service to four foreign cities and sell off its headquarters in Montreal, it was announced here.

Air Canada chairman Claude Taylor said the austerity measures would also involve selling an unspecified number of its 113 aircraft, including Boeing 727's, DC-9's and Lockheed L-1011's.

The measures are to be implemented by early 1991 and will save the company 570 million dollars (490 million U.S.), he told a press conference late Tuesday.

Under the cutbacks, Air Canada, Canada's former flag carrier which was sold to private investors two years ago, will cancel air service to Bombay, Singapore, Athens and Lisbon, he said.

Air Canada's profits fell to six million dollars (5.2 million U.S.) during the first six months of the year, down from 19 million dollars (16.4 million U.S.) during the same period last year.

The company's stock has plummeted from 14.25 dollars (12.26 U.S.) per share

six months ago to 8.13 dollars (6.99 U.S.) at the close of trading Tuesday.

Mr. Taylor predicted Air Canada would lose money in 1991 but would recover the following year.

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#90283d1690 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUANDA (OCT. 10) - A multi-million dollar U.N. aid program to help civilians suffering as a result of Angola's civil war and persistent drought will allow the reopening of roads and restore peace to strife-torn regions, western sources said here Wednesday.

The 73-million dollar aid is to go to nine provinces in central and southern Angola hit hardest by the war between the leftist government of President Jose Eduardo dos Santos and rightist rebels of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA).

Nearly 200,000 tons of food are to be distributed by a special task force in these regions within six months, a western consultant told Agence France-Presse in the South.

Earlier, U.N. humanitarian aid was restricted because disputes between the two sides had made it difficult for assistance to reach many parts of the country, where the 15-year civil war has claimed tens of thousands of lives.

UNITA leader Jonas Savimbi approved the assistance plan on Monday, days after the government put its support behind the U.N. offer.

U.N. Assistant Secretary General Abdulrahim Farah is expected here next Monday to iron out the final details of the plan, according to a U.N. statement released in New York on Tuesday.

Roads closed to all traffic for years because of mines and the risk of ambush should be reopened and truck convoys were expected to ship food east from the ports of Luanda, Lobito and Cunene.

Sources said the railway link between Huambo, Angola's second city, the Atlantic Ocean port of Benguela and the Zairean border would also be restored. Huambo can now only be reached by air or military road convoy.

Last week, six people were killed and 12 others wounded when a major convoy was ambushed.

According to a U.N. study, one and a half million people, or a quarter of the total population of the nine provinces, are suffering from the drought whose consequences have been aggravated by the civil war.

Nearly two million people have been displaced in the 15-year-long fighting.

Non-Governmental Organizations including the International Red Cross (ICRC) and the French Medecins sans Frontieres (Doctors without borders) relief group have funneled aid to the regions.

But some Western experts in Angola cautioned that not all difficulties were due to the drought as the country was totally disorganized after 15 years of war.

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#90283d1720 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 10) - The opposition-ruled southern Indian state of Karnataka was placed under federal rule Wednesday following the chief minister's refusal to step down.

Federal President Ramaswamy Venkataraman signed the proclamation here, following advice from the cabinet headed by Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh.

The crisis was triggered on Sunday when the opposition Congress (I) President Rajiv Gandhi asked Chief Minister Veerendra Patil to resign in a move. Gandhi did not explain his action. But his partymen said this was connected with communal Hindu-Moslem clashes in the state.

Patil who is recovering from a strike, refused, saying only the local party officials had powers to unseat him.

Karnataka is one of the three states ruled by the Congress Party. The others are Maharashtra and Andhra Pradesh.

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#90283d1730 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 10) - About 100 billion pesos (3.88 billion dollars) of the Philippines' proposed budget for 1991 of 10.1 billion dollars will go to debt servicing, Budget Secretary Guillermo Carague said here Wednesday.

Mr. Carague said the 1991 budget, which could go as high as 265 billion pesos (10.29 billion dollars), would take into account government attempts to shrink its growing budget deficit.

This was a sharp increase over the 245.7 billion peso (11.2 billion dollar) budget for 1990 and the 254.4 billion peso (9.88 million dollar) budget originally proposed for 1991.

Mr. Carague attributed the budget increase to growing debt servicing, forecast

at 260 billion pesos (10.1 billion dollars), and the depreciation of the Philippine peso.

Mr. Carague said the proposed budget would take into account proposed new taxes but congress leaders have said they would oppose any new taxes.

The government has been trying to slow down the growth of the budget deficit, which hit 32 billion pesos (1.24 billion dollars) as of mid-September, way above the 21 billion peso (815 million dollar) deficit targetted for the whole of this year.

A package of economic reforms, including the phase-out of an oil price subsidy and new taxes, was originally planned to shrink the deficit, but this has been derailed by the Gulf crisis, a killer earthquake that struck last July and congressional opposition.

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#90283d1740 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 10) - The Philippines will get a 125-million-dollar interest-free loan from the World Bank for development projects in southern Mindanao, Press Secretary Tomas Gomez said Wednesday.

Mr. Gomez said the loan, payable over 35 years, was processed by the World Bank in only 90 days due to the country's "honorable record" on servicing its 27-billion-dollar foreign debt despite economic problems.

President Corazon Aquino has resisted pressure from congress and left-wing groups to take unilateral action on the foreign debt and has resorted to market-based strategies to reduce the country's debt burden.

The loan will be released by next week and will cost the country only a one per cent service charge, Mr. Gomez added.

He did not specify what the World Bank loan would be used for.

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#90283d1820 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STUTTGART (OCT. 10) - Ibm of Germany said here Wednesday it has established a joint venture with the Robotron Ascota company in Chemnitz to help in establishing a new informations technology infrastructure in eastern Germany.

Robotron Ascota is the former East German state-owned Robotron accounting machinery company.

The new joint venture, called Computer-Systemdienste, will be based in Chemnitz, with Robotron Ascota holding a controlling 51 percent share, Ibm

said.

Computer-Systemdienste will develop software and services to help East German enterprises and administrative structures achieve computerisation meeting western standards as quickly as possible, Ibm said. The joint venture will have 240 workers, chiefly from the Ascota parent concern.

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#90283d1860 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EINHOVEN, NETHERLANDS (OCT. 10) - New Philips Group president Jan Timmer moved Wednesday to combat the "bureaucratic mentality" which he said has been stifling the giant Dutch electronics firm.

In an article in the Philips house organ, Mr. Timmer said the move, baptized "Operation Centurion", is to "change thinking within the company, create a new spirit and lead to improved performance".

He said that "First and foremost, we must fight bureaucracy. Philips' bureaucracy has been so pervasive in the past that we have subconsciously adapted our attitude to accommodate it.

"Bureaucracy is a waste of time and money. It stifles initiative and hinders anyone bold enough to stick his neck out".

When he took over the group presidency on July 2, Mr. Timmer announced a wide-ranging one-year restructuring plan costing about 2.7 billion guilders (about 1.5 billion dollars).

Restructuring of the group's loss-making sectors, especially computers and integrated circuits, will cost 10,000 jobs worldwide.

Publication last March of disastrous financial results for the first quarter, with operating profit down 26 percent from the first quarter of 1989 to 450 million guilders after the then Philips chief had said all was well, was the last straw.

The Philips stock price plunged, and is now at around 20 guilders on the Amsterdam bourse, against 35 before the crisis.

Mr. Timmer noted in his article that "the company has attracted more negative publicity in the past months than at any other period in its long history. As a result, our image has been tainted, our morale frustrated and our motivation discouraged...

"We need to thoroughly examine the way we have done things in the past and, where necessary, adjust our activities accordingly . . . The need for change and the drive for profit improvement is what Operation Centurion is about".

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#90283d1900 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (OCT. 10) - Free multi-party elections will be held in Montenegro, the smallest of Yugoslavia's six republics, on December 9, Tanjug news agency reported Wednesday.

Democratic polls have already ended communist rule in the northern republics of Slovenia and Croatia last April and May.

Macedonia is to elect a new regional parliament on November 11, and Bosnia-Herzegovina on November 18.

Serbia, Yugoslavia's biggest republic, will vote on December 9, along with Montenegro.

Democratic elections in all Yugoslav republics have been made a prerequisite by the Strasbourg-based Council of Europe for the country's membership in the 23-member body that brings together all European democracies.

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#90283d1970 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 10) - Riot police cordoned off Seoul's main cathedral on Wednesday and pushed back dissidents trying to stage a rally following a clash to prevent firebomb-throwing students from reaching the area.

The demonstrations capped a day of violence in which hundreds of riot police backed by teargas-firing armored vehicles stormed Korea University, triggering a violent clash with students.

As evening drew near, police fired tear gas in busy Ulchiro Street as some 500 radical students staged demonstrations after being blocked from joining dissidents at Myondong Cathedral.

Skirmishes also erupted as dissidents and members of opposition parties tried to shove their way and join other ralliers who had managed to enter the area surrounding the cathedral and were allowed to stay.

7 At least five middle-aged and elderly people who tried to join them were seen carried off by police kicking and screaming and bundled into a waiting van.

Less than 100 meters (yards) away, some 200 students played a cat and mouse game with the police in the shopping district near the cathedral, dispersing every time police charged and later regrouping.

The some 50 ralliers at the church's entrance unfolded a banner denouncing the Military Security Command (MSC) for conducting surveillance on more than 1,000 important civilians, including opposition and ruling party leaders.

The revelations that the MSC kept these files, made by a deserter last week, has thrown South Korea into political turmoil again.

President Roh Tae-Woo sacked the defense minister and the MSC commander Monday to soothe public outrage over the revelations.

On Wednesday, the new defense minister, Lee Jong-Koo, also denounced the surveillance, changing his earlier posture of blaming the turmoil on the deserter and public ignorance of the MSC's role.

Dissidents and members of the largest opposition group, the Party for Peace and Democracy (PPD), said they hoped the public indignation over the affair will galvanize anti-Roh forces.

Standing with the ralliers, PPD senior offical Moon Dong-Hwan said: "The people are very angry because the MSC has been very cruel to the people. Up to now there was no evidence, but now we have evidence."

His leader, PPD President Kim Dae-Jung, has been staging a hunger strike since Monday demanding the dissolution of the MSC and other reforms. Earlier at Korea University, police poured in through the front and back gates immediately after students started showing on campus a North Korean feature film in defiance of a government ban.

Thousands of students took shelter inside university buildings as others hurled bricks and fire bombs and wielded sticks to fight back amid pungent teargas that filled the air.

The police action came after students of Korea University and Yonsei University said they would defy a government ban and show the North Korean film to expedite private cultural exchanges with the North.

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#90283d2000 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (OCT. 10) - An Iraqi delegation headed Wednesday for Teheran to seek an explanation for Iran's delay in completing the repatriation of Iraqi prisoners of war, the Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported.

The agency, monitored here, said "a large number" of Iraqi prisoners captured during the eight-year Gulf war were still being held by Iran despite an agreement that all prisoners from both sides would be freed and repatriated.

Iran "interrupted on September 16, despite its promises, the repatriation of

Iraqi prisoners, while Iraq has freed all the Iranian prisoners it was holding " the delegation chief, foreign ministry under-secretary Wissam al-Zahawi, was quoted as saying.

According to the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), 39,174 Iranian and 38,810 Iraqi prisoners have been repatriated since Iraqi President Saddam Hussein announced August 15 that Iraq would meet Iran's conditions for a Gulf war settlement.

Mr. Hussein's initiative was seen in the West as an effort to persuade Iran to breach the international embargo imposed against Iraq after its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Iran has repeatedly underlined its condemnation of the Iraqi invasion and pledged to observe the sanctions despite its improving ties with Baghdad.

The ICRC confirmed that the prisoner exchange was interrupted in mid-September but there has been no official explanation for the move.

The organisation had never been allowed by either Iran or Iraq to confirm the total number of soldiers detained during the conflict, but was able to record the detention of 18,902 Iranians and 50,203 Iraqis.

Analysts believe a total of at least 100,000 soldiers were taken prisoner before a U.N.-sponsored cease-fire took effect in the Gulf war in August 1988.

Mr. Zahawi said his delegation would also discuss the reopening of embassies in the two countries' capitals as agreed during high-level talks last month.

Iran and Iraq have said they would resume diplomatic relations broken off in 1987.

The Iraqi official confirmed Baghdad had agreed to allow Iranians to visit Shiite Moslem holy sites in Iraq, but said the details would be discussed by Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati during a forthcoming visit.

The Teheran Times newspaper said last month that Iran and Iraq had agreed to allow each other's citizens to visits holy Shiite sites in the two countries.

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#90283d2080 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 10) - Three Soviet soldiers went on a shooting spree killing eight of their comrades, including a lieutenant-colonel, and wounding a ninth man at a military depot in the Ukraine, press reports said here Wednesday.

The Defence Ministry, quoted by Tass news agency, said the three soldiers seized three submachine guns, a pistol and ammunition from the depot in the

village of Privetnoye before escaping aboard a truck on Tuesday.

Two of the men were detained after the truck broke down, while the third remained on the run Wednesday, Tass said.

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#90283d2090 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (OCT. 10) - Approximately 15 million Egyptians will be called to the polls Thursday to decide if parliament is to be dissolved and early elections are to be held.

The referendum became necessary after a May 19 ruling by the Supreme Constitutional Court which declared the present composition of parliament to be unconstitutional.

The electorate's verdict, widely assumed to be in favour of dissolution, is expected for Friday.

The constitution obliges President Hosny Mubarak to call an election within 60 days if parliament is dissolved.

The old electoral laws criticised by the constitutional court are to be replaced by a new mechanism. In future, only candidates standing as individuals can be elected to parliament. There will be 222 constituencies which will be represented by two deputies each.

The composition of the present parliament was mostly decided by party tickets in the last general election in 1987. President Mubarak's ruling National Democratic Party (Ndp) won 346 out of a total of 458 seats.

The strongest opposition grouping in the old parliament was an electoral alliance between the Socialist Labour Party, the Moslem Brotherhood and the Liberal Socialist Party, which gained 60 seats. The liberal New Wafd Party commanded 35 seats.

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#90283d2140 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 10) - The president of French oil firm Elf-Aquitaine, Loic Le Floch-Prigent, met in the Kremlin Tuesday with Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov, Tass news agency announced on Wednesday.

Le Floch-Prigent, accompanied by group managing director Maurice Mallet, discussed "a plan for long-term cooperation" with the Soviet premier, Tass said.

The plan is to make it possible to develop joint ventures, particularly in the

fields of pharmaceuticals and ordinary consumer products.

Elf-Aquitaine has a presence in the Soviet Union, where it participates in oil extraction and petrochemical programs.

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#90283d2190 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUDAPEST (OCT. 10) - The Hungarian government offered a 10-year tax exemption to Japanese conglomerate Suzuki to build a joint venture car-assembly plant north of Budapest, local radio reported Wednesday.

Prime Minister Jozsef Antall told the Japan Federation of Economic Organizations that the gesture was designed to send a signal to other Japanese investors.

The Japanese delegation included executives of the Toyota Motor Co., Komatsu Ltd, and Showa Sekiyu Inc.

In order to offer the tax break, the Hungarian government extended to car assemblies a law that gave preferential taxation to manufacturers of car parts.

Suzuki would not be taxed on its profits for 10 years on condition it reinvested its profits in Hungary and reached an export surplus in the sixth year.

The Hungarian government's 100 million forints (1.5 million dollars) share in the joint venture's capital was taken from the re-employment fund.

The Suzuki plant will assemble 50,000 cars from 1992 with parts at least 50 percent made in Hungary.

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#90283d2210 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ENTEBBE, UGANDA (OCT. 10) - Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni called Wednesday for a regional peace conference to solve the conflict in Rwanda, invaded last week by rebels from neighbouring Uganda.

Mr. Museveni, addressing an airport press conference here on his return from a foreign tour, denied that Uganda had known that armed Rwandan refugees had been planning to invade Rwanda from southern Uganda, and called for a peaceful solution to what he said was a "political problem."

He said the Rwandan army could never defeat the battle-hardened rebels, even with the help of Zairean, Belgian or French troops.

Many of the rebels, estimated by the Rwandan government to number 10,000, had

been serving in the Ugandan army. They deserted with their arms and invaded Rwanda on October 1 under the command of Major-General Fred Rwigyema, former deputy chief of the Ugandan armed forces.

Some four thousand of the 200,000 Rwandan refugees in Uganda were soldiers. Many of them had helped Mr. Museveni to win power in 1986 after his National Resistance Army surrounded Kampala. Rwandan refugees, mainly members of the minority Tutsi tribe, first poured into Uganda after ethnic massacres in 1959 when the majority Hutus ousted Tutsis from key positions.

Mr. Museveni said Uganda had been accused of being asleep, adding: "If we were asleep, why didn't they (the Rwandan authorities) also defeat them before they crossed the border?"

He said Uganda could not have kept its forces on alert at the border on the strength of unconfirmed rumours.

Uganda's role in the rebel invasion of its southern neighbour has raised many questions, according to diplomats in the region, who were left wondering how the Ugandan government could be unaware that thousands of rebels were massing on the border.

Mr. Museveni, who returned from a foreign tour that took him to Britain, the United States, Denmark and Belgium, called for a regional conference that would bring Rwanda to the negotiating table with Uganda, Zaire, Tanzania and Burundi, all of which have substantial Rwandan refugee communities.

He said he had suggested the idea to Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana when they met in New York on the day the invasion was launched.

He had also raised it with Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens, saying that "the Belgians are involved so there is no harm in talking to them."

"I don't think a military solution is possible," he said. "These boys (the rebels) are very experienced militarily. I doubt very much whether these boys can be defeated by those troops, whether they are Rwandan, Belgian or Zairean."

Zaire has sent 500 troops to prop up the Rwandan government forces, while France has sent 300 paratroopers and Belgium 480.

Paris and Brussels have said their troops were there only to defend French and Belgian nationals and could not intervene in the conflict.

Mr. Museveni said "the origin of this problem is that the government of Rwanda has shut out of its border two million of its own people for 30 years."

He said he could "no longer allow Uganda to be used as a prison for people who have aspirations to go back to their country," adding: "this is a political

issue. It should be resolved peacefully."

Mr. Museveni said that as chairman of the Organisation of African Unity OAU), he was being blamed. "Wherever I go I am in the dock, as if I had committed a crime. But it is not our problem."

He said he had suggested talks with the rebels to Mr. Habyarimana when they met in New York, but the Rwandan leader had told him he wanted to wait until he returned home to assess the situation.

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#90283d2240 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MILAN (OCT. 10) - Milan stocks lost ground on Wednesday, as the MIB index finished at 809 points, down 1.94 percent on the day.

All leading issues were losers, as Fiat lost 2.89 percent, Mediobanca 3.10, Comit 3.79, CIR 2.95, RAS 2.66, Generali 1.69, and above all STET, down 5.29 percent on the day.

Other downers included Enimont, off 0.60 percent, Olivetti 0.93, and Montedison, 0.94 percent.

Operators said the majority of sales were by foreign investors and blamed them on a general "malaise" on European markets due to recent developments in the Middle East and the difficulties of the U.S. economy.

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#90283d2570 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO (OCT. 10) - Norway is cutting development aid to Kenya by more than half to 75 million crowns (12.45 million dollars) in 1990 and 1991, Minister for Development Aid to Third World countries Tom Vraalsen said on Wednesday.

If President Daniel Arap Moi refuses to pass democratic reforms, Norway might further slash its assistance, he said.

Monday's arrest of Koigi wa Wamwere, a Kenyan former politician who had lived in exile in Norway since 1986, was likely to strain relations between the two countries even more, Mr. Vraalsen indicated.

Norway had not yet received an official note that Mr. Wamwere has been detained, and his case and the aid question were still being treated as separate issues, Mr. Vraalsen said.

Norwegian Ambassador to Nairobi, Niels Dahl, said by telephone that the arrest of Mr. Wamwere, for years the highest ranking person on the wanted list in Kenya, was front page news in Nairobi.

The Norwegian government has not officially protested against the arrest, but has through unofficial channels made it quite clear that Mr. Wamwere must not suffer any maltreatment, an informed source here said.

One Mr. Moi's most fervent opponents, Mr. Wamwere was forced into exile in 1986. From Norway he continued his fight against the Kenyan president, causing considerable tension between Norway and Kenya.

The Kenyan government said on Tuesday that he had been detained in the early hours of Monday morning, adding that police had impounded a substantial number of arms he had allegedly brought into the country.

It was unclear why Mr. Wamwere suddenly turned up in Kenya, running the risk of being arrested and perhaps being sentenced to death, sources here said.

His family in Norway expressed shock at the news that he had been detained together with other opposition figures, including two dissident lawyers whose arrests were reported by the Kenyan press on Tuesday. Mr. Wamwere was granted political asylum in Norway, but kept his Kenyan passport.

Until this year, Kenya has received 200 million crowns a year in aid from Norway. Further cuts depended on the contents of a Kenyan governmental report on political reforms to be ready next month, informed sources here said.

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#90283d2620 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, Germany (OCT. 10) - Police seized nearly a ton of cocaine in a Frankfurt backyard Friday in the biggest drug haul in German history and arrested seven suspected dealers, police said here Wednesday.

The suspects -- four Colombians, one Venezuelan, one Austrian and one man with both German and Colombian nationality, aged between 30 and 48 -- were held for questioning over possible links with the Medellin drug cartel, according to the police.

The value of the haul was estimated at nearly 200 million Deutsche marks (133 million dollars) and would have covered the needs of some 10,000 addicts for a year.

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#90283d2650 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT 10) - Malaysia's trade surplus shrank by 87 percent to 624.4 million dollars (231 million U.S.) in the first seven months of the year as imports continued to surge, Bernama news agency said Thursday.

Malaysia recorded a trade surplus of 4.75 billion dollars (1.76 billion U.S.) in the same period last year, Bernama quoted the department of statistics as saying.

Imports rose 28 percent to 41.98 billion dollars (15.55 billion U.S.), caused partly by a slightly weaker Malaysian ringgit, from 32.84 billion dollars (12.16 billion U.S.), the department said.

Exports grew 13 percent to 42.60 billion dollars (15.78 billion U.S.) from 37.59 billion dollars (13.92 billion U.S.) during the period.

The department said that the rapid growth of imports could be viewed positively as most of the import items were capital equipment and intermediate goods vital in sustaining a growing economy.

The main export items were machinery and transport equipment, inedible crude material, mineral fuels and thermionic valves and tubes and photocells.

Malaysia's major trading partners were the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, Japan, the United States and the European Economic Community, which together accounted for nearly 75 percent of total trade.

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#90283d2720 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT 10) - Soviet coastguards were towing a Greenpeace ship to Murmansk after seizing it off a nuclear testing site in the Arctic, Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov said here Wednesday.

The Greenpeace ship was expected to arrive in Murmansk Wednesday evening or Thursday morning depending on weather conditions, the spokesman told a news briefing.

Speaking of Monday's interception of the Greenpeace in Soviet waters, Mr. Gerasimov noted that "some laws have to be observed whatever the mission and the noble objectives. The laws of our country cannot be violated with impunity".

The ship was boarded near the island of Novaya Zemlya, about 600 kilometres (375 miles) northeast of Norway where the Soviet Union has conducted underground nuclear tests in the past.

At the time when the ship was seized, four Greenpeace crew members had taken to the sea in a raft and they also were detained by Soviet coastguards, Mr. Gerasimov said.

The crew would probably be charged with violating Soviet borders, he added.

In London, Greenpeace said in a statement that sympathisers of the environmental pressure group demonstrated Wednesday outside the Soviet embassies in London, Stockholm, Copenhagen and Sydney against the seizure of the vessel.

Its campaign is aimed at preventing the renewed use of Novaya Zemlya as a nuclear test site after the closure of the main Soviet test site in Kazakhstan.

Seven Soviet citizens opposed to nuclear tests in their country were aboard the Greenpeace vessel, the statement said.

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#90283d2730 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 10) - Germany is considering sending military equipment to Saudi Arabia, officials said Wednesday during a visit to Germany by King Faisal of Saudi Arabia.

The defence ministry is "looking into the various aspects of the question", a spokesman for the ministry said.

The issue was brought up without intervention by the Pentagon, he added. He would not elaborate.

According to a report by the Munich-based newspaper Sueddeutsche Zeitung,

Saudi Arabia has requested German assistance in shouldering the burden in the Gulf crisis.

Bonn was planning to ship 110 armoured vehicles ("Marder"), 100 troop carriers 50 armoured anti-aircraft carriers ("Gepard") and 50 carriers capable of detecting poison gas ("Fuchs") to Saudi Arabia, according to the paper.

The total value of the armament was reported to be 540 million Deutsche marks (337 million dollars).

Discussing the Gulf crisis Wednesday, Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher and King Faisal called for "a rapid and peaceful settlement" to the conflict triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, according to an official communique.

The monarch is to meet with Chancellor Helmut Kohl and President Richard von Weizsaecker Thursday.

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#90283d2790 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT 10) - The 12-member European Community (E.C.) Wednesday

approved four new programs worth a total of 26.5 million Ecus (35 million dollars) to further reforms in Eastern Europe.

The lion's share of 16 million Ecus was earmarked for the creation of privately owned farms in Bulgaria. Some 22 per cent of Bulgaria's workforce is employed in the agricultural sector.

A total of five million Ecus will be distributed to all reform nations to help them acquire knowhow on the Western-style free trade and on the optimal allocation of investments.

Poland will receive 1.5 million Ecus to set up a computerised system to help the country compile reliable statistics on the economy.

Four million Ecus are allotated for Czechoslovakia's university exchange programme.

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#90283d2860 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Lagos (OCT. 10) - Nigeria took the first step forward Wednesday in its bid to boost oil and gas production within the next five years with the offer of 253,000 square kilometres of fields for exploration.

The Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (Nnpc) said that the fields, divided into 136 blocks, were located in five sedimentary basins of the country's offshore and mainland.

The basins were identified as the Niger-Delta, Benin, Anambra, Chad and Benue troughs.

The Nnpc statement said five of the seven basins the country had were yet to be extensively explored. The government had decided to make the basins available for exploration to increase the country's proven oil reserves from the current 16 billion barrels to 20 billion barrels by 1995.

The statement explained that although every effort was being made by the government to diversify the economy, petroleum would for the forseeable future continue to contribute significantly to national development.

In recognition of this, it said the government would continue to review existing incentives, among which was the memorandum of understanding that guaranteed oil companies a minimum of two dollars per barrel of oil produced, as and when necessary, to ensure the attractiveness of investment in the Nigerian petroleum sector.

Nigeria's daily crude oil production peaked at two million barrels at the beginning of this month, representing an approximately 18.8 per cent rise over

the country's official daily production quota of 1.611 million barrels.

The rise in output was in accordance with the Organisastion of Petroleum Exporting Countries' (Opec) agreement reached in late August, which allowed member countries to exceed their official quotas until the IraqKuwait crisis ends.

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#90283d2870 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (OCT 10) - Skandinaviska-Enskilda Banken, one of Sweden's leading banks, will take a 28 percent stake in the Skandia insurance company by acquiring the holdings of investment companies Investor and Providentia (18 percent) and of the Marieberg press group (10 percent), S-E Banken said on Wednesday.

S-E Banken will buy the shares of Providentia, Investor and Marieberg at a price of 223.80 kronor each, 60 percent more than the latest market quotation, making a total of 4.7 billion kronor (832 million dollars).

Investor and Providential belong to Sweden's Wallenberg industrial and financial group.

Stock market sources here say Investor and Providentia have to find funds for purchase by their joint subsidiary, Patricia, of shares held by Swedish financier Sven-Olof Johansson in the Saab-Scania Group, also controlled by Wallenberg. Last April, Patricia bought the Johansson shares and those of his Barkman company for nearly 4.5 billion kronor.

S-E Banken group chief Bo Ramfors commented that "Our acquisition of a stake in Skandia is related to the closer relationship that is developing between banking and the insurance sector".

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#90283d2890 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT. 10) - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir on Wednesday named an independent commission to investigate the police killing of 21 Palestinians on Jerusalem's Temple Mount during a riot Monday, Israeli officials said.

The commission will be chaired by a retired general, Zvi Zamir, but the identity of the other members was not disclosed.

The naming of the commission followed the scrapping of an internal police inquiry into Monday's violence.

Officials said the government feared the conclusions of an internal investigation would not be accepted as impartial.

The independent commission, unlike a government commission of inquiry, will not have the authority to force witnesses to testify or to make them give evidence under oath, the officials said.

Mr. Shamir has asked investigators to take account of Israel's security interests and to produce their conclusions as soon as possible, they added.

Police opened fire on Palestinian demonstrators on Temple Mount -- a site holy to both Jews and Moslems in east Jerusalem -- after Arabs hurled stones at Jews praying at the adjacent Wailing Wall.

The demonstration was called to counter reported plans by a Jewish extremist group to defy a police ban and enter Temple Mount to lay a foundation stone for a religious shrine.

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#90283d2950 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ADDIS ABABA (OCT 10) - Ethiopian Foreign Minister Tesfaye Dinka indicated Wednesday that the Addis Ababa government was ready for new peace talks with Eritrean People's Liberation Front (Eplf) rebels, the official news agency Ena reported.

Tesfaye, speaking after his return from New York where he attended the United Nations General Assembly session, said he discussed this possibility with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

Baker and Shevadnadze could help to overcome the deadlock.

Preliminary talks on peace negotiations with the Eplf and the Tigray People's Liberation Front (Tplf) collapsed last year.

In February, the Eplf launched a major offensive. The rebels have since gained control of the northern province of Eritrea with the exception of the provincial capital Asmara.

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#90283d3030 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT 10) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,447.00 (1,462.00) 1,371.50 (1,390.50)
Lead 396.00 (392.00) 390.50 (390.50)
Zinc Hg 1,360.00 (1,378.50) 1,350.50 (1,362.50)

Tin 6,040.00 (6,150.00) 6,095.00 (6,195.00)
Aluminium 2,007.50 (2,034.50) 1,857.50 (1,873.50)
Nickel 9,475.00 (9,625.00) 9,087.50 (9,237.50)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90283d3090 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KHARTOUM (OCT. 10) - The committee assigned to formulate a political system for the Sudan has come out with four options, it was reported here Wednesday.

The Sudan News Agency (Suna) said the first option was rule by conferences. The conferences are to be set up from village to national levels, in addition to specialised ones.

The report indicated that this system answered all the questions posed by General Omer Beshir during the opening session of the conference called to discuss the new political system in August.

The second option was the one-party system, with the sole party to be based on the principles of the National Salvation Revolution and aimed at rallying the masses behind the revolution.

The party would be open to all who believed in the principles of the revolution. But the committee expressed the fear that this system might lead to dictatorship, adding that it did not guarantee national representation.

The third alternative was described by the committee as a ''principled'' multi-party system to be accomplished in three stages. It called for the creation of a presidential system from the ruling Revolution Command Council to last for eight years. Then the president would relinquish the power to the ''principled'' multi-party system in stages.

This system would consist of two parties to be controlled by the military.

The fourth choice was to delegate the present Revolution Command Council to rule until Sudan's problems are solved.

The committee report will be discussed by the conference established in August by the government. The final recommendations of the conference will be handed to the Revolution Command Council for endorsement.

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#90283d3170 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (OCT. 10) - Israeli lawyer Felicia Langer, who Wednesday was awarded the "Right Livelihood Award" -- set up as an alternative to the Nobel prizes --

said that only a sovereign Palestinian state could ensure peaceful co-existence between Jews and Arabs in the Middle East.

She said in an interview that she felt the carnage in Jerusalem Monday underlined the need for a solution that would "at last allow Israelis to live like normal people".

Ms. Langer deplored "the erosion of moral values" and the "banalisation of the murder" of Arabs in Israeli society and in the media.

She said the authorities showed excessive clemency in the face of brutality by the military in the occupied territories.

She characterised herself as "the worst advocate in the world", saying she had never won a case in defence of Palestinians before Israeli military courts, which she described as a "bargaining shop".

Earlier this year, she abandoned her lawyers' career as "pointless", deciding to fight for peace in other ways. Her prize would help in this, she believed.

Born in Poland in 1930, she fled into the Soviet Union in 1939 with her parents to escape Nazi pogroms, which sent most of her relatives to die in the concentration camps.

She emigrated to Israel in 1950. Shocked by the 1967 Israeli takeover of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, she became the first Israeli lawyer to defend Palestinians before the courts.

The 120,000-dollar award was donated by Estonian-born Swede Jakob von Uexhull in 1979 and is handed out annually to ecologists and human rights activists at the same time as the Nobel prizes.

The prize is funded by donations and profits from Mr. Uexhull's stamp collection.

The five-member jury honoured Ms. Langer for her support of Palestinians standing trial before Israeli military courts.

-30- 2039

#90283d3180 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (OCT. 10) - Colombian police seized account books and hundreds of pages of documents detailing business dealings of the Medellin cocaine cartel headed by fugitive drug lord Pablo Escobar, police officials announced Wednesday.

Colonel Jorge Ferrero, chief of the Medellin police, said his officers found the account books, 86 folders of documents and 27,000 dollars in cash hidden

under a sofa in a luxury apartment in Medellin, headquarters of the Escobar drug ring, Colombia's biggest.

"These documents and very valuable," Col. Ferrero told reporters, adding that the accounts included "key information" on the most recent cartel cocaine deals and money laundering operations. He declined to elaborate.

He said police raided the house after receiving a tip-off. They arrested three persons and seized weapons and communications equipment.

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#90283d3300 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT. 10) - Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi Wednesday called on foreigners to keep off Kenya's internal affairs and warned that he would not hesitate to take legal action against any Kenyan, including the clergy, who threatened the country's peace.

Adressing a rally here marking the second Moi Day, he said that although his government has often explained the true picture of events in the country, some friendly countries tended not to take that information seriously and instead went for information from disgruntled elements who falsified matters to tarnish the image of the government and the country.

Mr. Moi noted that activities of some lawyers in Kenya were a source of concern to the government and expressed concern that certain friendly countries were taking lawyers in this country to be special people.

He noted that every time the government took action on lawyers whose activities threatened peace, "these friendly countries complained".

The Kenyan president said the subversive activities of some of these lawyers were brought to light on Tuesday when a prominent member of the Law Society of Kenya was arrested after being found in possession of five guns and several rounds of ammunition.

He said that the same lawyer was close friend of the runaway human rights lawyer Kamau Kuria who, he alleged, who was was linked closely with subversive activities in the country.

Mr. Moi said "such a man could easily embarrass his misdirected hosts and wondered whether by giving him a teaching post, the Americans wanted subversion and murder taught in their schools".

Although the president did not name the arrested lawyer, observers believed he was Mirugi Kariuki, who was one two prominent lawyers to have been arrested in the early hours of Monday and spirited away to an unknown destination.

Mr. Moi termed those who have been calling for multi-party democracy in Kenya as "power-hungry self-seekers covering up for subversion and criminal activities".

Kenya is currently a one-party state under the Kenya African National Union (KANU).

The president's scathing attack on multi-party supporters comes only 24 hours after the government had announced that a leading exiled dissident and former parliamentarian, Koigi wa Wamwere, had been arrested in Nairobi and a large amount of arms he had brought into the country had been seized.

Mr. Wamwere, who fled into exile in Scandivania 1987 after the discovery and crackdown on his Libyan-backed leftwing Kenya Patriotic Front (KPF) movement by the authorities, was seized in Nairobi's Mathare Valley slums in the early hours of Monday morning and hauled in with a number of aides.

His arrest came a few hours after Kenyan security forces had arrested in a violent raid Nairobi lawyer Rumba Kinuthia and Mr. Kariuki, who was the target of Mr. Moi's attack on dissident lawyers on Wednesday.

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#90283d3400 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (OCT. 10) - Pretoria's pledge of 36 million rands (14 million dollars) for Namibian ex-servicemen will benefit South Africa's former enemies as well as allies, Namibian Defence Minister Peter Mueshihange said here Wednesday.

Speaking in Katima Mulilo in the Caprivi Strip, he said the money would benefit unemployed former fighters demobilised during the implementation last year of United Nations Resolution 435, which paved the way to Namibia's independence in March.

Former members of the People's Liberation Army of Namibia (PLAN), the military wing of the party that has now gone into government, the South West Africa People's Organisation (SWAPO), would benefit along with black troops who fought against PLAN on South Africa's side in the 23-year bush war, he said.

Meanwhile Namibian police said 18 Namibians had been kidnapped Monday and taken across the border into southern Angola by some 15 men wearing Angolan army uniforms.

The hostages, including women and children, were seized from Orondindi in Kaokoland, northwestern Namibia, before dawn. One man escaped and raised the alarm, claiming the victims had been beaten up by their captors, police said.

-30- 1395
#90283d3410 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (OCT. 10) - Two Nigerian ships bought for 132 million dollars to carry liquefied natural gas (LNG) to customers abroad have been officially named after two Nigerian towns closely connected with the nation's gas and crude oil installations, the LNG company announced here Wednesday.

The two vessels, formerly known by their hull construction numbers, 559 and 564, were named Tuesday at the Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Ship Repair Yard in Yokohama "LNG Bonny" and "LNG Finima", respectively, the company said.

Bonny is the name of the island in Nigeria's southern Rivers state on which Finima town, where the liquefied natural gas plant will be sited, is located.

The ships, each having a nominal capacity of 132,590 million m3 distributed in five cargo tanks, will carry the gas from Indonesia and Malaysia to customers in the Far East under a four-year charter agreement between Nigerian and Pertamina, the Indonesian oil company, and Malaysia LNG, until they are needed to carry Nigerian gas, the text said.

Nigeria will begin to market its LNG in 1995.

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#90283d3460 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 10) - Asian specialist Nikolai Soloviev has been named Soviet ambassador to China, Tass news agency announced on Wednesday. He will replace Oleg Troyanovski who is retiring.

Mr. Soloviev had previously been with the Soviet embassy in Japan.

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#90283d3470 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PESHAWAR, Pakistan (OCT. 10) - Four people were killed and several injured in a gunbattle Wednesday between a pro-Moscow party and supporters of deposed premier Benazir Bhutto, police said.

It was the first political killing in the run-up to the October 24 elections to national and provincial assemblies.

The fighting broke out when pro-Moscow Awami National Party (ANP) candidate Bashir Khan Umerzai was going to attend a corner meeting in his Dheri Kaka Khel constituency, 35 kilometers (22 miles) south of Peshawar, police said.

Mr. Umerzai, a former minister, is running for a provincial assembly seat.

Police sources said a group led by Munsif Bacha Khan, supporting the rival

Pakistan People's Party (PPP) blocked his way to the gathering.

This led to a shootout with automatic weapons that left four people dead, including Mr. Bacha Khan's father and son, police said.

Residents said the meeting was arranged by Mr. Bacha Khan's nephew, who was asked to refrain from supporting the ANP.

The ANP has fielded the largest number of candidates in the North West Frontier Province bordering Afghanistan.

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#90283d3520 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) - The U.S. human rights group Africa Watch Wednesday issued a scathing report on political repression in Malawi and called for international pressure to end "more than a quarter century of gross human rights abuses" in the southern African state.

The 128-page report titled "Where Silence Rules: The Supression of Dissent in Malawi," said the most recent acts of repression included the killing of more than 20 protesters by police last March outside the capital Lilongwe.

Africa Watch, which has offices in New York, Washington and London, denounced "the systematic suppression of dissent under the 26-year rule of Life-President Kamuzu Banda," a long-standing Western ally in the region.

The report compared Mr. Banda's Malawi with Romania under the late dictator Nicolae Ceausescu and Kim Il Sung's North Korea.

But it added that "whereas totalitarian Eastern bloc regimes were regularly denounced for human rights abuses, Banda's Malawi received Western aid."

"At a moment when the Western governments are loudly proclaiming their universal attachment to human rights and pluralist democracies, they should turn their attention to poor, forgotten Malawi," it said.

While acknowledging a certain degree of economic and political stability in Malawi, Africa Watch said such calm "has been bought at a terrible cost."

"Intellectual life can scarcely survive the dead hand of the censor and political life is non-existent outside the omnipotent ruling party," it said, adding that "on occasion the government has resorted to political murder" to achieve its aims.

It noted the cases of a leading poet, Jack Mapanje, who has been detained without charges for three years, while a prominent journalist and human rights activist, Mkwapatira Mhango, was assassinated in an October 1989 bomb blast in

Lusaka which also killed his wife and children.

Africa Watch also reported that political prisoners and common criminals are routinely beaten and mistreated, sometimes being stripped naked and chained to the floor of their prison cells without food.

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#90283d3530 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 10) - A massive 24-hour strike by dockers closed the freight portions of French ports on Wednesday from Dunkirk to Marseilles.

The strike, called by the communist-led CGT labour confederation, was protested insufficient work for dockers in the ports. The Ports and Docks Federation said that all of the country's 8,500 dock workers went on strike.

Passenger traffic was maintained.

The strike was also aimed at supporting Dunkirk dockers, who are starting their third strike week to protest against what they say are management plans to change working conditions in a search for greater competitiveness.

Nationally, the CGT is demanding removal of the present limit of 150 days' unemployment benefits annually for each docker.

The National Union of Port Handling Industries, an employers group, says that the dockers' jobless rate averaged close to 30 percent in the first half of the year, with peaks of 50 percent in some ports, such as Rouen and Dieppe.

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#90283d3620 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VEREENIGING, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 10) - Neo-fascist leader Eugene TerreBlanche proclaimed "the beginning of the second rebellion" to some 600 Boer white supremacists in this town south of Johannesburg Wednesday.

He whipped supporters into a frenzy with his talk of the Boers' new fight against President Frederik de Klerk's drive to give the vote to the black majority, comparing their the cause to the epic proportions of the Boers' two unsuccessful wars of independence against the British last century.

"We have watered the thorn trees with our blood," he said. "This land is paid for."

Likeniing followers of his Afrikaner Resistance Movement (AWB) to the "bitter-enders" who fought to the last in the second Anglo-Boer war of 1899-1902, he told them: "You haven't got another land. This is your land."

After saying to reporters that the black nationalist African National Congress was not interested in power-sharing with the ruling white minority, he told the crowd: "There will be blood only if the ANC tries to take over this land. Not my blood. Their blood."

Retired police Colonel Servaas de Wet, leader of the AWB's commandos, said the return of ANC exiles meant that armed terrorists were being let loose to set up bases in squatter camps. Speaking of the WAB's force, Col. de Wet said: "It is the commando which is the Boer's strongest weapon. If guerrillas could drive the Soviets out in Afghanistan ... how much easier can the Boers drive the blacks over our borders so we never have trouble with them again."

Mr. TerreBlanche earlier Wednesday led a mounted commando and 300 footsoldiers some armed, in a march through Vereeniging, monitored by police in Casspir armoured transports and eyed by curious black onlookers.

He laid a wreath at the town hall monument to victims of the Anglo-Boer war, as the highpoint of ceremonies commemorating the Kruger Day public holiday in memory of 19th century Boer leader Paul Kruger.

Meanwhile Andries Treurnicht, leader of the far right official opposition Conservative Party, told a Kruger Day rally of some 1,000 people in Cape Town that Mr. De Klerk was playing "dangerous games".

"If it were a mere game for two Boer republics to take on a First World superpower (19th century Britain) and fight it to the death, do you think it a mere game when we resist a Third World political force?" he asked the president

"The man that is hurrying along to finish off the rights and freedoms of his own people, he is the one who is playing dangerous games," Mr. Treurnicht said.

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#90283d3640 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 10) - All 27 passengers on board an Indian bus died Wednesday when the vehicle careened off the road and plunged into a 150-metre-deep ravine, the United News of India (Uni) reported.

The exact cause of the accident on the road from Dehradun to Mussourie in the northern state of Uttar Pradesh was not known, added the report.

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#90283d3650 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOULOUSE, France (OCT 10) - French President Francois Mitterrand hailed "ambitious Europe" here on Wednesday, in inaugurating Europe's biggest aircraft factory, built by the French Aerospatiale Group.

Mr. Mitterrand saw construction of the factory as a symbol of "European drive" which he contrasted with the "neglected Europe, a continent of the past, living on its cultural heritage" which he said certain people would like to have.

The factory project implemented by Aerospatiale, the French partner in the four-nation Airbus consortium, shows that "all France is ready to undertake" the efforts demanded for building this "ambitious Europe", the president said,

calling for Europe to take its place in the "forefront of world technology".

Despite violently protesting farmers near the factory site, expressing opposition to low farm prices and what they view as excessive imports, Mr. Mitterrand was not hindered in inaugurating the huge plant, 500 meters (yards) long and 46 meters high. It will assemble the future Airbus A330s and A340s.

The president noted in his speech that Airbus held a third of the world aircraft market last year, and had received more than 1,500 orders since 1970. It has delivered 600 planes.

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#90283d3700 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (OCT. 10) - Abass Bundu, executive secretary of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) on Wednesday discussed with Ghana's head of state Jerry Rawlings the possibility of a ceasefire in war-torn Liberia.

Mr. Bundu who has been shuttling around the sub-region since ECOWAS started a peace intitiative in June, told reporters that the 16-nation body should encourage the warring parties to start peace talks now that they are talking of a ceasefire.

"We have to explore the ceasefire opportunity," he said. Charles Taylor, leader of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) rebels, announced a unilateral ceasefire September 22. It lasted eight days.

Mr. Bundu said he and the Ghanain leader also discussed new diplomatic initiatives to bring about peace in Liberia.

In August, ECOWAS sent in a peacekeeping force comprising soldiers from Ghana, Nigeria, Guinea, Sierra Leone and the Gambia to try to impose a ceasefire.

The multinational force, known as ECOMOG and which has been reinforced to over 6,000 men, last week launched a fresh offensive against the NPFL on three fronts around the Liberian capital Monrovia.

On the possibility of boosting the size further, Mr. Bundu said this "would be considered at the appropriate time," adding that an increase might be effected

if it becomes necessary for the force to cover other parts of Liberia.

The NPFL has rejected the ECOWAS peace plan which includes the installation of an interim government chosen by Liberian politicians in August in the Gambian capital of Banjul.

Mr. Taylor has said he is ready for talks with Liberian political groups, government troops and dissident rebels led by Prince Johnson. He said the talks could take place in the Ivory Coast, Senegal or any country which has not contributed troops to ECOMOG.

Meanwhile, sources in Abidjan in radio contact with resident of Monrovia said automatic weapons and artillery fire could be heard several kilometers (miles) north of the capital Wednesday.

They could not say which groups were fighting.

On Sunday, ECOMOG launched an attack on against NPFL positions at White Plains 30 kilometers (18 miles) from Monrovia where the capital's water purification plant and power station are located.

Donald Petterson, the director of the U.S. State Department's Liberia task force, arrived in Abidjan Monday at the start of a tour of West African countries during which he is to meet parties involved in Liberia's bloody nine-month civil war.

He met Ivory Coast President Felix Houphouet-Boigny on Monday.

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#90283d3730 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (OCT. 10) - Saudi authorities on Wednesday asked newspapers here to tone down their attacks on the Palestine Liberation Organization and Jordan, editors said Wednesday.

The directive from the information ministry came two days after Israeli police shot dead 21 Palestinians in disturbances in east Jerusalem, triggering widespread outrage in the Arab world.

The Gulf Cooperation Council, of which Saudi Arabia is a key member, on Tuesday denounced the killings and appealed to the international community "to stand by the Palestinian people."

Newspapers here have been harshly critical of the PLO and Jordan in the past several weeks, accusing them of failing to condemn the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The Saudi press has also been irked by PLO and Jordanian opposition to the

presence in Saudi Arabia of foreign troops, who have been deployed at Riyadh's request to defend the kingdom against a feared Iraqi attack.

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#90283d3740 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STRASBOURG, France (OCT 10) - The president of the European Economic Communities Commission, Jacques Delors, rejected on Wednesday the British proposal to make the European Currency Unit (ECU) a parallel currency to EEC national currencies.

He told the European Parliament here that the proposal "multiplies uncertainties about the future" and "entails serious risks of competition between currencies and of competitive use of interest rates" within the Community.

He said the Commission he heads, the executive arm of the EEC, wants the Community to choose the ECU as the future sole currency. It must give the unit "political support", because it cannot be "simply the bastard child of the European Monetary System" -- the exchange rate mechanism of which sterling has just joined.

He also insisted on the importance of succeeding in the first phase of EEC economic and monetary union, which was launched on July 1 and calls for greater convergence of national economies within the Community.

"You can write the world's finest treaty, but if the first phase does not succeed, there will be no economic and monetary union", he said.

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#90283d3800 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KIGALI (OCT. 10) - Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana on Wednesday said that 14 people had been killed and 30 wounded across the country since a rebel incursion from Uganda early last week, and he denied reports by villagers than 1,000 people had been massacred by his army in the north of the central African country.

The president put the number of arrests at about 3,000.

Major-General Habyarimana also told a press conference here that he had requested French and Belgian military assistance to put down the rebellion, but explained that the reply had been negative "because that is not their philosophy".

Belgium and France have sent troops to the east central African nation with the avowed aim of protecting their nationals in the former Belgian colony. The low death toll he presented notwithstanding, the president said he had asked

for reinforcements, but did not say when.

He confirmed, however, that Zairean troops were operating alongside his government forces.

"Two units of the Rwandan army are in contact with the rebels in the Gabiro region" in the northeast of the country, Maj.-Gen. Habyarimana said. Diplomatic sources said Gabiro, on the edge of the Akagera national park, had been retaken from the rebels with the help of the Zairean soldiers.

Major Karangwa (eds: one name) meanwhile said Wednesday that some 3,500 people had been detained since the start of the "troubles" on October 1 and presented journalists with 32 prisoners, including four women, who were largely of Ugandan origin and whom he said were suspected of an attack here overnight last Thursday.

All the detainees will go before a special commission comprising the public prosecutor, the police and Kigali prefecture and state security officials, the chief of staff said. Those found guilty would then appear before a war council.

The head of state said that some 3,000 people had been picked up and were held in conditions "that are not ideal".

The French government on Wednesday called for a peaceful settlement and expressed concern about the reported detention of some 1,500 people in a Kigali stadium, including women and children, according to a reliable source in Paris.

"When the Pope (John Paul II) visited (early in September) I promised pardons " Maj.-Gen. Habyarimana said. "I'm going to speed that up in order to improve conditions for the suspects".

He added that three members of the general staff had been arrested "because they have been in contact with the enemy".

The Rwandan leader denied reports that 1,000 civilians had been killed by regular army troops in the northeastern Mutara region, close to the border with Uganda.

"Why would you think the Rwandan army would kill Rwandan civilians?" he asked rhetorically. "In any case, the inhabitants of Mutara are in the hands of the enemies who control the region."

Reports from refugees reaching the border were that Rwandan troops had killed more than 1,000 people in an assault on 10 villages Monday, accusing them of helping the rebels and lobbying hand grenades into their homes.

The Rwandan conflict began around October 1 with a major incursion of rebel forces from Uganda, including army deserters from the Tutsi people who are in a

minority in Rwanda. Since 1959, three years before independence, scores of thousands of Rwandans have fled as refugees to Uganda, following massacres among the Tutsis and the Hutu majority.

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#90283d3870 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (OCT. 10) - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd has warned Iraq that it would be completely destroyed if it carried out an attack with chemical or biological weapons, the cairo newspaper Al-Ahram reported in Thursday's editions.

In an interview, Mr. Hurd said such an attack by Iraq would "provoke a response that would completely destroy that country."

He said "this should be made very clear, without any possible ambiguity."

On the Palestinian issue, the British foreign secretary said it was not "realistic" to present any new proposals at the current time.

He said this was due to the position of the Palestine Liberation Organisation in the Gulf crisis. The PLO, Mr. Hurd said, had made a "big mistake" by refusing to condemn the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Hurd also said Britain wanted to resume diplomatic relations with Syria but ruled out any move in the near future.

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#90283d3880 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ERLANGEN, Germany (OCT. 10) - A U.S. soldier stationed in Germany killed one of his colleagues and wounded another in an apparent fit of madness Wednesday, then shot himself dead through the head, police said.

The 22-year-old man burst into the canteen of the U.S. base at Grafenwoehr in southern Germany with an automatic rifle and opened fire on the cook, wounding him fatally.

Leaving the building, he shot at another soldier who tried to intervene, wounding him in the leg. The young man, whose name was not disclosed, then shot himself and died soon after in a hospital.

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#90283d3930 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RANGOON (OCT, 10) - The National League for Democracy (NLD) said it would leave all options open for a dialogue with military authorities because discussions are "vital to the long- and short-term interests of the nation."

But any attempt by the NLD to seek dialogue is bound to be rejected, analysts said.

The decision to leave the door open for dialogue with the ruling State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC) came Tuesday at the end of a four-day session of the NLD's 44-member central committee.

The committee also decided to form an "affairs committee" to deal with issues regarding the party's 392 elected parliamentary candidates, spokesman Khin Maung Swe said Tuesday.

The 68-member affairs committee would also work together with the central executive committee towards the eventual convening of parliament, he said.

"We continue to firmly believe that a dialogue between NLD as the leading political party and the SLORC is absolutely essential if the interest of the nation is to be served," Mr. Khin Maung Swe said.

The junta recently rejected another NLD overture for a dialogue on grounds that it would "not discuss politics outside the framework of law."

But the NLD spokesman said the objective of seeking a dialogue was not for the sake of gaining power by one political party but in the interest of "national reconciliation."

The SLORC's official rejection of the NLD's latest overture for a dialogue was made known Friday at the regular Defence Ministry press conference.

Military spokesman Colonel Aung Thein, deputy chief of SLORC's Information Committee, said then that no discussions with political parties were forthcoming until post-election procedures -- such as submitting campaign expenses and objections against elected candidates -- were cleared up.

NLD leaders maintain that these post-election procedures should not hinder the convening of parliament, which is a natural process following elections.

Military authorities who say future consultations would be essentially based on "national" and not "political" objectives have clearly said the SLORC would not hold discussions "if it is for the sake of one party coming into power."

They have charged that the NLD's Ghandi Hall declaration on July 28 was motivated towards gaining power and as such was directly opposed to SLORC's objective of "consolidating national solidarity."

The military promised to meet with candidate-representatives of all 27 parties who won parliamentary seats during the May general elections once post-elections procedures were over, but did not specify the date.

Apparently very much opposed to one-party domination of the future Burmese political scene, the NLD's role as the leading political party, despite its landslide victory, has been largely downplayed by military authorities here.

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#90283d4040 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (OCT, 10) - An Iraqi Airways Boeing 747 with 400 Western women and children on board, including 350 Americans, was expected to leave Baghdad late Wednesday for London and Washington, airline officials said.

The plane, the officials said, was Wednesday evening still in the southern city of Basra. It was expected to stop in Baghdad before flying off with 25 Canadians and Japanese, 25 Britons and 350 Americans aboard.

Most of the 400 were taken from Kuwait to Basra by bus.

The officials said that the plane has 440 seats and could take other foreigners.

The plane was chartered by the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad.

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#90283d4060 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STRASBOURG, FRANCE (OCT. 10) - No precise decision can be taken on the question of European Economic Community aid to the Soviet Union before the end of the year, European Commissioner for Foreign Trade Relations Frans Andriessen said Wednesday.

An EEC summit meeting on Rome on October 27 would therefore not be in a position to take any decision on the matter, contrary to what the 12 decided at their last summit in Dublin in June. Then, they agreed in principle on such aid, pending studies by the European Commission.

"The present state of progress of reform and (inter-Soviet) Union treaty are hardly likely to be implemented well before the end of the year," Mr. Andriessen said. This "implies that conclusions regarding aid must for the moment remain general and exploratory".

After the Dublin summit, the July summit in Houston of the leading industrial nations asked the Commission, as well as the International Monetary Fund and other bodies, to study the question of aid to the Soviet Union before the end of the year.

Since then, several European Commission officials have gone to the Soviet Union, where "several reform programmes are being studied", Mr. Andriessen

said.

A new compromise programme drawn up under the guidance of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev is to be submitted to the Supreme Soviet or parliament around mid-October.

Mr. Andriessen stressed that proposed financial support should so far as possible be "in the form of direct investment", and cited sectors such as raw materials, energy and communications. An accord signed by the EEC and the Soviet Union "constitutes a point of departure", he said.

Even if the Soviet Union was going to take advantage of the rise in oil prices due to the Gulf crisis, the commissioner said, that "hardly suffices to compensate for the loss of production and structural problems".

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#90283d4200 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) - The 45th session of the United Nations General Assembly ended here Wednesday after a two-and-a-half-week debate dominated by the Gulf crisis.

Angolan Foreign Minister Pedro de Castro van Dunem gave the final speech in the debate which had seen 155 speakers, including 27 heads of state, 15 premiers and 86 foreign ministers take the podium.

Assembly president Maltese Foreign Minister Guido de Marco, who was elected last September 18 when the session got underway, said ''virtually every speaker'' had demanded the restoration of Kuwait sovereignty following Iraq's invasion of the oil-rich sheikdom August 2.

Addressing the Iraqi leadership, de Marco said it ''was no loss of face for any nation to adhere to the United Nations charter'' and give Kuwait back its sovereignty.

Other major issues facing the chamber during its session were Third World debt change in central and eastern Europe, drugs, environmental pollution and poverty.

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#90283d4530 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (OCT 10) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has granted "special status" to certain staff of an Irish hospital in Baghdad, allowing them to leave the country freely, the company that manages the hospital said Wednesday.

The management of the Park Hospital, run by a subsidiary of the Irish national airline Aer Lingus, said the status would allow temporary staff or those whose

contract was ending to obtain exit visas, whatever their age or sex.

The number concerned by the dispensation is 59, of whom 49 are Irish and four British, the hospital management said.

In total, the hospital employs 430 foreign staff, of whom 185 are Irish and 45 British.

The company said that it had also received an assurance from the Iraqi health ministry that staff members currently on vacation outside Iraq could obtain an exit visa if they returned to Baghdad.

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#90283d4610 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (OCT 11) - New Zealand's central Reserve Bank on Thursday forecast higher inflation and sharply lower economic growth over the next two years.

A number of recent developments have worsened the economic outlook since the last forecast in May, Grant Spencer, the chief manager of the bank's economic department, said in a statement.

"Lower disposable incomes and a continuing lack of confidence have depressed consumption spending over 1990," he said.

"Oil price rises in the wake of the Gulf crisis have worsened the outlook for inflation, growth, and the balance of payments. Interests rates have moved higher due to increasing world rates and also the worse fiscal outlook.

"Furthermore, the world downturn and adverse developments in New Zealand's particular export markets have steepened the decline in New Zealand's real export prices."

Mr. Spencer said the factors would hamper the emergence of a significant economic recovery over the next 18 months.

The bank said it was forecasting gross domestic product (GDP) growth for this year of 0.5 percent, compared to the earlier forecast of two percent. GDP growth for 1991-92 is forecast at two percent rather than the three per cent earlier predicted.

With weaker activity and continuing net inward migration, unemployment was forecast to remain at or slightly above its present level of 7.5 percent.

Mr. Spencer said that despite strong growth in export volumes over the forecast period, real export earnings were expected to remain weak as a result of lower real export prices and higher domestic inflation.

While import growth slows down, the terms of trade decline were expected to generate large current account deficits of about five billion New Zealand dollars (three billion U.S. dollars) this year and next.

"With the price of oil assumed to remain around 30 dollars U.S. per barrel, (consumer price index) inflation is expected to reach 6.8 percent in the year to March 1991, before falling to 3.4 percent by March 1992," the statement said.

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#90283d4730 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (OCT 10) - The U.N. General Assembly Wednesday granted a request by the Hatian Government to send a U.N. observer group to the politically-troubled Caribbean island nation to assure free and fair elections.

The United Nations plans to spend 9.4 million dollars on the Haiti project, putting an end to a bitter debate -- mainly carried by Colombia and Cuba and other non-aligned countries -- in the Security Council.

But Colombian Ambassador Enrique Penalosa said Wednesday that several Latin American countries could send security teams to help monitor the voting process.

Those countries had argued that sending a monitoring team to Haiti for the December 16 elections would set a precedent involving the world body in a country's internal affairs.

Haitian provisional President Ertha Pascal Trouillot had asked for the assistance.

Wednesday's decision marks the third time a U.N. group would monitor elections following Nicaragua and Namibia, but it is the first time it has done so in a country unaffected by regional conflict.

A first group of 50 observers is to be sent to Haiti to keep an eye on voter registration and is to stay until after the elections and a reinforcement group of 50 others are to be sent in the days just before voting.

An unspecified number of specialized observers will be sent to help Haitian officials organize security plans.

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#90283d4980 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (OCT 11) - The struggle between Good and Evil takes center stage on Iraqi television these days, with the former incarnate in President Saddam Hussein and the latter manifest in Zionism, American imperialism and Arab

leaders said to be their agents.

Mr. Hussein's battle, in which there is no middle ground, targets two Arab notables in particular: "the desecrator of the two holy mosques" and "Hosni."

The first is a reference to King Fahd of Saudi Arabia, who outraged President Hussein by calling on U.S. and Western forces to help defend the kingdom aganst a feared Iraqi attack.

King Fahd's title is actually "custodian of the two holy mosques" located in the Saudi cities of Mecca and Medina and which, according to Mr. Hussein, have been sullied by the presence of foreign invaders.

"Hosni" is Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, one of the Arab world's sharpest critics of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

But television authorities, well aware that their viewers prior to the Gulf crisis were just emerging from the trauma of a devastating war with Iran, are trying to leaven the daily fare with romantic comedies -- usually Egyptian.

The tough talk is also softened by love songs from famous Arabic female singers such as Warda of Algeria and Latifa Arfawi of Tunisia.

One program, Hayyakoum Allah (God Help You), each night reports on the state of morale of Iraqi troops deployed along the border with Saudi Arabia.

"We're anxiously awaiting the signal to liberate Mecca," soldiers reply in unison to an interviewer's question.

When invited by the interviewer to send greetings to his friends and family,

each soldier begins by hailing "Mr. President, the members of the Revolutionary Command Council (the country's highest decision-making body) and the regional leadership of the Baath party."

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#90283d5340 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 11) - A consortium of one Indonesian and three Japanese firms will build Indonesia's first inter-island bridge, the Antara news agency said Thursday.

An agreement for the construction of the four-kilometre (2.5 mile) bridge linking East Java with the small island of Madura is expected to be signed in Tokyo on November 20, Antara said.

Mitsubishi Corp., C. Itoh and the Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan will cooperate with P.T. Dwipa Madura Pradhana, a private Indonesian company,

consortium head Basroni Rizal told Antara at East Java provincial capital Surabaya.

The bridge will cost 100 million dollars while additional 300 million dollars will go for the development of residential, industrial, business and recreational facilities on 500 hectares (1,235 acres) of land at both ends of the bridge, Mr. Rizal said.

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#90283d5440 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (OCT. 11) - Official figures released Thursday confirm unemployment is on the rise in Australia, with women in the economically depressed eastern state of Victoria bearing the brunt.

But the increase of the national unemployment rate to 7.4 percent in September from 7.3 in August and 6.1 percent a year ago was not as marked as many had feared.

About 13,000 of the total 14,300 jobs lost last month were lost by women, mostly in Victoria. Employment rose marginally or remained static in most other states.

A dramatic fall in the Australian dollar coincided with the release of employment statistics, but market analysts attributed the drop to hopes of a further cut in interest rates reported by a financial newspaper.

But Industrial Relations Minister Peter Cook said the government would not reduce interest rates because the increase in unemployment was marginal and reflected budget predictions.

Seasonally adjusted employment fell by 14,300 from 7.89 million in August and compared with 7.81 million in September last year.

Markets generally had expected a fall in employment of about 15,000 and an unemployment rate of 7.5 percent.

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#90283d9260 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (OCT. 10) - A record 7.9 percent of New Zealand's workforce or 126,300 people were unemployed at the end of August, the Statistics Department said here Wednesday.

Its household labor force survey, instituted in 1985, was the last before October 27's general elections.

The unemployment rate in July was 7.3 percent and 7.6 percent in June.

Deputy Government Statistician Len Cook said total unemployment had been rising since early in 1989 and showed no signs of abating.

The unemployment rate for men in August was 8.4 percent and for women 7.3 percent.

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#90283d9310 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 10) - Japan is to extend nuclear power plant operation technology to China which will start up its first nuclear reactor next year, industry sources said Wednesday.

They said the Japan Atomic Industrial Forum, Inc., set up by Japanese electric power companies and nuclear-related firms, agreed with China's National Nuclear Industry Corp. (CNNIC) to offer know-how on safe operation of nuclear plants at the sixth Japan-China regular meeting on nuclear power held in Beijing late last month.

The No. 1 Qinshan pressurized light-water reactor, China's first nuclear power plant, situated in Zhejiang province 120 kilometres (75 miles) southeast of Shanghai, will have a power generation capacity of 300 megawatts when it start operations at the beginning of next year, according to the CNNIC.

Qinshan, which is entirely Chinese-designed, will be followed by the 1,800 megawatt Daya Bay plant in southern China, which is under construction with input from British and French firms.

The sources said China requested Japanese technology on nuclear power plant operation technology because of Japan's low accident occurrence rate at plant sites.

Details of the planned assistance will be worked out when a Chinese nuclear official visits Tokyo on October 20, they said.

During the meeting, China also proposed selling several hundred tons of uranium octoxide, or yellow cake, used as a material for nuclear fuel, to Japan, they said.

Japan imported 65 tons of yellow cake from China from 1982 to 1985 but now buys uranium for nuclear fuel mainly from Australia and Canada.

The Japanese electric power industry is expected to study the possibility of accepting the Chinese offer as it could lead to the diversification of uranium supply sources, the sources said.

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#90283d9470 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 10) - Beijing authorities have decided to slash by more than half the amount of cabbage supplied to the Chinese capital this year, to avoid repeating a fiasco that saw tons of it go uneaten in 1989.

The China Daily reported Wednesday that local farmers would produce 300,000 tons of cabbage this year instead of 650,000 tons in 1989, to adapt to "changes in local tastes."

Kang Shuping, an official of Beijing's Agriculture Bureau, told the daily that 1,200 hectares (3,000 acres) less of farmland would be used for cabbage this year. Mr. Kang acknowleged that a large quantity of cabbage was wasted last year.

Beijing authorities had until now strongly denied that there was an excess supply of cabbage last year.

Cabbage is a staple winter vegetable for Beijing's 11 million residents. Convoys of trucks dump the state-subsidized cabbage on the streets of the capital in early November, transforming the city into a huge open air market.

The government, eager to restore stability in the capital last year after the pro-democracy crackdown, urged local farmers to produce the maximum amount of cabbage.

As a result, nearly 200,000 tons rotted in the fields, while 80,000 of the 380,000 tons supplied to the capital went unsold despite Mayor Chen Xitong's exhortations to city residents to buy cabbage as a "patriotic gesture."

The cool response to his appeal was seen at the time as a form of passive resistance, five months after army troops and tanks crushed the pro-democracy movement in the streets of Beijing, killing hundreds.

Mr. Kang said last year's cabbage output was "too much for the city to consume.

"As a result work units were persuaded to buy and store cabbage and many cabbages rotted and were finally thrown away."

In order to avoid public discontent, the government has decided to keep the price of cabbage about the same as last year, and has guaranteed a minimum price to growers.

Chinese sources said Wednesday's news on the drastic cutback in cabbage output could be due to troubles with this year's harvest.

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#90283d9500 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (OCT. 10) - Animal rights activists protested here Wednesday after the government-sanctioned slaughter of about 17,000 kangaroos began.

Peter Preuss, president of the Australian Wildlife Protection Council, said that animal lovers would not stand by and watch the government of the south eastern state of Victoria "blow away" the kangaroos.

Conservation Minister Steve Crabb said that the state government would continue to control kangaroo numbers in the state by shooting them.

Professional shooters began shooting the kangaroos in the Hattah-Kulkyne National Park, in Victoria's northwest, on Tuesday night.

In protest, about 30 people rallied outside the Department of Conservation and Environment, conducted a mock funeral and delivered a petition condemning the cull to officials.

"We are angry," Mr. Preuss said. "People are prepared to be arrested over this."

After the protest the demonstrators would head to the national park and expected to clash with police and shooters, he said.

Mr. Crabb has said the plan to cull the kangaroos was unfortunate but necessary because excess numbers of kangaroos threatened other animals and plant life.

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#90283d9550 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 10) - China's economy is idling in neutral after being frozen 25 months ago by a draconian austerity program, economic analysts here say.

Although inflation has been brought under control, economic growth will likely fall far short of the six percent target this year and the government has had to pump billions of dollars into industries previously earning a profit.

Observers here are cautious about predicting the policy of China's next five-year plan from 1991 to 1995, which will be decided at a communist party plenum expected later this month or in November.

But there is little doubt that the policy of "economic rectification" will go on for at least two more years.

"They will not announce the end of austerity as long as they have not reached their objectives for production," a Western diplomat said.

Conservatives and reformers in the leadership disagree on the degree of economic reform needed as well as the speed with which to apply them. But all appear to agree on the need to pursue the austerity program, even if it is somewhat toned down.

In a speech published here Tuesday, Premier Li Peng insisted on the need for moderate growth and for continuing economic reform, saying that errors of the past should not be repeated.

Emphasis will continue to be placed on infrastructure, including the transport energy and communications sectors, as well as on agriculture, with cotton and edible oil farming to be developed, Mr. Li said.

But no wide-ranging reforms are expected to emerge, and the authorities will give priority to maintaining moderate growth in order to avoid a repeat of the inflationary spiral of 1988 that caused panic and led to the austerity program.

The open-door policy of attracting foreign investment to China's coastal provinces will be continued.

"It's a way for Li Peng to attract technology," another diplomat said.

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#90283d9610 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 10) - The main business group in the Philippines urged businessmen Wednesday to make sacrifices in a time of economic crisis by assuming the burden for the higher cost of domestic fuel prices.

The Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry also urged companies to support its proposal for the granting of emergency allowances to workers in lieu of salary hikes.

The call was made after President Corazon Aquino raised local pump prices by 29 percent late last month in the wake of the Gulf crisis, sparking calls for a 38-peso (1.48-dollar) increase to the minimum wage of 89 pesos (3.5 dollars) per day.

"The times call for sacrifice from every sector. The recent hike in oil prices and the lingering effects of the adverse developments in recent months have made life a bit harder for everyone," the chamber said in a statement.

"Businessmen must be willing to absorb part of the increased cost, and not pass on all the burden to the consumer, even if it means a leaner bottom line for them," the statement said.

It said those who can afford it must consider offering employees emergency

allowances to help them with the higher cost of living, instead of wage adjustments which would only benefit minimum wage earners.

It urged workers to "settle for an amount that their employers can afford to give them," saying unreasonable demands could lead to retrenchments, or worse, the folding up of companies.

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#90283d9650 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 10) - Hundreds of riot police, backed by tear gas-firing armored vehicles, stormed a university here Wednesday to stop the showing of a North Korean feature film, triggering a violent clash with students.

Several riot policemen were injured by fire bombs and rocks and at least four students were detained during the raid.

The police poured into the Korea University campus through the front and back gates immediately after students started showing the film in defiance of a government ban.

Thousands of students took shelter inside university buildings as others fought back with bricks, fire bombs and sticks amid pungent tear gas that filled the air.

The police action came after students of Korea University and Yonsei University said they would defy a government ban and show the film "Salt" to expedite private cultural exchanges with the North.

The students declined to say from where they obtained the North Korean film, which the police apparently failed to seize. Under the anti-communist National Security Law, North Korean films are banned here.

The police raid was an apparent bid to preempt a massive anti-government protest planned in downtown Seoul later Wednesday.

Student radicals and dissident groups called for a rally at Myondong Roman Catholic Cathedral in a busy commercial section to press their demand for the disbandment of the Military Security Command (MSC).

President Roh Tae-Woo sacked the MSC commander and his defense minister to soothe public outrage over revelations that the command has been spying on important civilians including politicians.

Dissidents and opposition politicians say the MSC has been acting as a secret police force.

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#90283d9680 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 10) - Municipal firms in Beijing have called for foreign investment to help fund more than 200 industrial projects, the official China Daily said Wednesday.

The English-language newspaper said the money was needed for companies whose activities included machine-building, electronics, car making, chemicals, textiles, steel and light industry.

Beijing's vice-mayor, Zhang Jianmin, was quoted as telling 500 foreign business people and diplomats that Beijing's investment appeal, made Tuesday,

followed the Asian Games, which "greatly improved every service facility as well as the quality of service".

China Daily said the funds required ranged from 300,000 dollars for a chewing gum factory to 56.3 million dollars to launch a motorcycle factory and 88.5 million to make high-strength cement.

Beijing has more than 6,000 industrial enterprises, with a total workforce of 1.8 million, the newspaper said.

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#90283d9730 10/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND (OCT. 10) - A 1940 Tiger Moth biplane crashed into the sea near here Wednesday, killing its woman passenger and badly injuring the pilot.

The Tiger Moth, part of Auckland's War Birds Squadron, was doing a scenic flight when it hit the sea 100 metres (yards) off Takapuna Beach.

Earlier this year another plane in the squadron, a World War II Harvard trainer, was involved in a midair collision which killed its pilot.

Eighteen 18 months ago one of the world's few surviving Spitfire fighters ran out of fuel and crashed. It has since been rebuilt and is flying again.

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SINGAPORE (OCT. 10) - Petrol prices in Singapore have gone up by about 38 percent and diesel by 60 percent since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Premium grade gasoline went up to a record 154.2 Singapore cents (87.6 U.S. cents) per litre compared with 58.8 cents (33.4 U.S. cents) and diesel rose to

69.8 cents (39.6 U.S.) from 43.7 cents (25 U.S.) two months ago.

The previous record high price of 151.3 cents (86 U.S. cents) was in March 1985, when the government raised the ad valorem duty from 50 to 60 percent.

Shell, Mobil, Caltex, British Petroleum and Singapore Petroleum Company announced the increase in the course of the week.

A spokesman for Esso, the other major oil company in the island, said it would follow suit shortly but declined to reveal details.

The oil companies attributed the higher pump prices to an increase in wholesale prices.

Some two-thirds of Singapore's daily oil consumption of 250,000 barrels is imported from the Gulf. The rest comes from Malaysia, Indonesia and China.

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ACCRA (OCT. 10) - The West African state of Ghana will need an extra 50 to 60 million dollars to meet its oil bill for the rest of the year as a result of the increase in oil prices, following the Gulf crisis, the Ghana News Agency Gna reported Wednesday.

Gna quoted finance secretary Kwesi Botchwey as saying the situation would be "very difficult".

Ghana spends about 20 percent of its foreign earnings on oil imports. Retail prices of fuel have gone up by about 50 percent since the Gulf crisis sparked a sharp increase in oil prices.

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ANCHOARGE, ALASKA (OCT. 10) - Six major oil companies have joined forces in a 1.1-billion-dollar project to boost oil production in Prudhoe Bay, the largest U.S. oilfield.

The agreement was announced Tuesday by British Petroleum Co., Atlantic Richfield Co., Exxon Corp., Phillips Petroleum Corp.

The project involves building a huge centralized natural gas handling facility that would boost production in Prudhoe Bay by 100,000 barrels a day to 1.5 million barrels a day, officials said.

The facility, which was expected to be completed by 1995, would separate natural gas from oil and reinject the gas into wells to raise the pressure and

increase the oil flow.

BP and ARCO also agreed to reduce overlapping services on the North Slope and in Anchorage by 1991, a move that will mean lost jobs for Alaskan workers.

"At a time of American concern about long-term oil supplies, this project will make a welcome contribution and shows Alaska's potential to add significant domestic reserves," BP and ARCO said in a statement.

Prudhoe Bay provides about 20 per cent of domestic oil production.

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WARSAW (OCT. 10) KYODO - A HIGH-POWERED JAPANESE BUSINESS MISSION AGREED WITH POLISH GOVERNMENT LEADERS TUESDAY TO SET UP FOUR JOINT VENTURES, INCLUDING ONE FOR MACHINE TOOL PRODUCTION, JAPANESE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE OTHER THREE CONCERN ALIMINUM ROLLING, PRODUCTION OF HEAT-INSULATING MATERIALS, AND POTATO PROCESSING, THE OFFICIALS SAID. THE FOUR JOINT VENTURES WOULD COST A TOTAL OF 31 BILLION YEN, THEY ADDED.

THE AGREEMENT WAS REACHED BY THE 19-MEMBER MISSION AND POLISH LEADERS, INCLUDING PRESIDENT WOJCIECH JARUZELSKI AND PRIME MINISTER TADEUSZ MAZOWIECKI.

THE MISSION IS LED BY EISHIRO SAITO, CHAIRMAN OF THE FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS (KEIDANREN). IT IS TOURING FIVE EUROPEAN COUNTRIES IN TWO GROUPS, WITH THE OTHER GROUP VISITING CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND HUNGARY BEFORE REJOINING IN GERMANY.

THE PROPOSED JOINT VENTURES WILL BE JAPAN'S FIRST FULL-FLEDGED BUSINESS COOPERATION WITH POLAND. JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU PLEDGED FINANCIAL HELP FOR POLAND'S ECONOMIC REFORM DURING HIS VISIT LAST JANUARY.

JAPAN LAGS FAR BEHIND OTHER INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES IN INVESTMENT IN POLAND. IT HAS SO FAR SET UP ONLY TWO JOINT VENTURES IN POLAND COMPARED WITH ABOUT 500 BY GERMAN COMPANIES.

THE FOUR ADDITIONAL JOINT VENTURES ARE BEING ARRANGED BY THE JAPAN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (JAIDO), JOINTLY ESTABLISHED BY THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND THE GOVERNMENT-RUN OVERSEAS ECONOMIC COOPERATION FUND.

DURING HIS MEETING WITH THE MISSION, MAZOWIECKI URGED PRIVATE-SECTOR HELP TO FINANCE A 500-KILOMETER EXPRESSWAY PROJECT LINKING THE BALTIC SEA AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA, AND TO PROMOTE INVESTMENT IN POLLUTION PREVENTION, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

HE WAS QUOTED AS SAYING HE HAS ASKED FOR JAPANESE OFFICIAL CREDITS IN A LETTER

TO KAIFU AND THAT HE WANTS THE JAPANESE BUSINESS COMMUNITY TO OFFER A HELPING HAND.

POLISH ECONOMIC MINISTERS, INCLUDING FINANCE MINISTER LESZEK BALCEROWICZ, TOLD THE MISSION THE GOVERNMENT WILL SOON START NEGOTIATIONS WITH JAPAN TO CONCLUDE AN INVESTMENT PROTECTION TREATY.

THEY SOUGHT JAPANESE COOPERATION IN IMPROVING INFRASTRUCTURE SUCH AS TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ROAD NETWORKS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE MISSION URGED THE POLISH LEADERS TO IMPROVE THE CLIMATE FOR INVESTMENT AND LENDING, INCLUDING LEGAL ASPECTS, THEY SAID.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 10) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stock markets are lower. ... In London, the FTSE is off more than 20 points at midday. ... Tokyo is closed for holiday. ... The dollar is stronger across the board, but bonds are in a selloff with the long yield up to 9.01%. ... Brent North sea crude is up 45 cents to $40.75. ... The SUPREME COURT has let stand a lower court ruling that could permit regional telephone companies to compete in the information services market. ... UAL rejects an employee group's offer to buy UNITED AIRLINES. ... CARTER HAWLEY HALE says it is selling its THALHIMERS department store chain to MAY DEPARTMENT STORES for $325 million.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

PRESIDENT BUSH departs for political fundraising trips to North Carolina, Florida and Georgia. ... SEN. ROBERT DOLE (R. - KAN.) addresses a financial executives institute. ... GOV. STEVE COWPER of Alaska discusses opening of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge for oil exploration. ... The SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION considers allowing Canadian foreign private issuers to register securities and report them on the same basis as other foreign private issuers. ... The House Banking Subcommittee is scheduled to hold hearings today to examine the impact of the Thrift bailout law on the Federal Home Loan Bank System. ... The primary owners of PRUDHOE BAY plan to invest more than $1 billion in Alaska's north Slope in hopes of boosting oil production there by 100,000 barrels a day by 1995. ... CHRYSLER and the UNITED AUTO WORKERS begin contract talks tomorrow. A UAW council has accepted a tentative contract settlement with FORD, but officials say workers may strike against Chrysler.

FROM THE BEARS:

"Give it a couple of years and [the Dow] will get toward 1000," says Utah based money manager JOHN BLEWER, president of PACIFIC AMERICAN INVESTORS. "The big moves take a long time and this will be a big move." Blewer says the tremendous amount of debt to be serviced by corporations and government will make the recession feel like a depression. "We could even see government default," says Blewer. Says CNN's STUART VARNEY, "That's the worst case scenario I've ever heard on this program." (CNN "Business Morning", 10/10)

H. ERICH HEINEMANN, chief economist for the investment firm of LADENBURG, THALMANN & COMPANY, has been bearish on stocks for months. He says that investors have been "very slow to recognize the scope of the economic downturn" and were "now coming face to face with economic reality." He notes, "... weakness will beget weakness for a while. The economy's in a recession, and in a recession stock prices normally reflect prospects for lower earnings." (NYT, 10/10

"The earnings show there's no light at the end of the tunnel," says FRANK CAPPIELLO, president of McCULLOUGH, ANDREWS & CAPPIELLO, a money management firm. The "tunnel" is the bear market that many on Wall Street have been hoping would be brief. "Everyone knew we were in a bear market," says Cappiello who says that yesterday investors seemed to be saying they now look for a bear with lots of stamina. (WSJ, 10/10)

"Right now it's easier for people to be on the side of the bears than on the side of the bulls," says NED COLLINS, head of U.S. equity trading at DAIWA. He blames some of Wall Streets concerns on Washington and says, "I think it's basically total disappointment in the lack of any leadership in Washington." (Reuters, 10/9)

"We're in a bear market, plain and simple," says BRAD WEEKES at DONALDSON LUFKIN JENRETTE. He sees the Dow headed for 2300 and, if it can't hold there, perhaps down to 1800. ("USA Today", 10/10)

STOCK MARKET:

"It was a disappointing day for the bulls," says RICKY HARRINGTON of MARION BASS SECURITIES. "The stock market doesn't like uncertainty and the major uncertainty now is the possibility of a war in the Middle East." He says the market could fall to 2200. ("Investor's Daily", 10/10)

"The market is being driven by a new case of jitters on top of the old case of jitters," says DANIEL USLANDER of HILLTOP TRADING. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/9)

"The market got a three-way punch" on Tuesday, notes GENE JAY SEAGLE of GRUNTAL & CO. Most analysts say ballooning oil prices, the latest budget proposal and program selling all hurt the market yesterday. Seagle says the

negative sentiment is a bullish sign, as "it spells closeness to a turn." ("Investor's Daily", 10/10)

"The price of oil has skyrocketed, which ... is going to affect us with inflationary pressures," says PETER DaPUZZO of LEHMAN BROS. He says with inflation up, interest rates will have to remain high, which will lead, in turn, to "a very significant impact on the stock market." (CNN "Moneyline", 10/9)

"The 52-week low we've put in place, at 2427 on the Dow, is not too far away, but my sense is that we bounced off those levels very quickly on that bounce eight trading days ago, and we could easily come back and test [that level]. And my work shows me that the test won't be successful," says MARK DIBBLE of MORGAN STANLEY. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/9)

"The idea of higher taxes on an already vulnerable economy makes for a very poor investment climate," says TIM SCALA of SEQUOR GROUP. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/9)

"All this notion of a technical bounce, which everybody was talking about, proved to be what technical talk usually is: not too good," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "The budget has come totally apart. The president has lost a biggie on this one." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/9)

"The third quarter looks bad and the fourth quarter won't be any better," says HOWARD BERL at MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. "We're cutting earnings estimates across the board." ("USA Today", 10/10)

"There's a perception that the economy is slowing down and the risk of recession is high," says MICHAEL MORAN, chief economist for DAIWA SECURITIES AMERICA INC. "The stock market, being forward looking, tries to take that into account." ("The Washington Post", 10/10)

STOCK TIPS:

"This market has discounted a lot, maybe too much," says the editors at "United & Babson." "We urge long term investors to stay the course." They like retail stocks at this deflated level, recommending DAYTON HUDSON, MELVILLE and DILLARD. Among energy stocks, they emphasize PHILLIPS and UNOCAL for further accumulation. They call EMERSON ELECTRIC an attractive long term buy. (CNBC "World Business", 10/10)

McDONALD & CO. recommends stock in PREMIER INDUSTRIAL CORP., a Cleveland-based distributor of electronic and industrial hardware products. The brokerage predicts the company's earnings should grow an average of 14% a year for the next five years as it continues to expand in Canada and Europe and broaden its product line. ("USA Today", 10/10)

"Will the Greenspan recession actually materialize?" wonders BILL MATTHEWS of the "Cheap Investor." Matthews says it is up to Greenspan and his economic decisions. Meanwhile, Matthews says the 500 point drop in the Dow is due solely to the Gulf crisis and has created "very undervalued stocks." He likes GALACTIC RESOURCES, saying the company is on the verge of becoming a world class gold producer. Bicycle maker HUFFY has been hammered down to an unrealistically low stock price, says Matthews. (CNBC "World Business", 10/10)

"Labor-management relations at UNITED [AIRLINES] are going to get very hot, very tense, very quick," says JOSEPH BLASI, a professor at RUTGERS UNIVERSITY who is an expert on employee ownership and closely follows United. ("USA Today", 10/10)

"With MOODY'S saying they might downgrade the commercial paper [of FIRST BOSTON], it'll make it more expensive for them to go out and borrow through that means," says SMITH BARNEY brokerage analyst ALISON DEANS. That means "paying higher interest rates because there's a higher risk received." MERRILL LYNCH and SHEARSON LEHMAN also face similar problems according to some analysts. (CNN "Moneyline", 10/9)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"Currency markets are trying to price a view that the U.S. economy is indeed very weak," says LISA FINSTROM of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "We're waiting for some kind of change in U.S. interest rate policy "Moneyline", 10/9)

According to RONALD HOLZER of HARRIS TRUST AND SAVINGS, the outlook for the dollar is decidedly bearish "given the problems with the budget as well as the economics we've seen with a recession scenario building here." ("Investor's Daily", 10/10)

"If the weak dollar makes it harder for the Fed to ease policy, it will have a potentially damaging effect on the stock market in the U.S., which is hoping that rates will come down again," says GEOFFREY DENNIS, chief international economist at JAMES CAPEL & CO. in London. "One of the reasons for the bad news at the long end of the bond market is that they see bad news coming from all sides, and the dollar is part of that." (WSJ, 10/10)

"I think we're going to see two things: a return to the dollar, because oil is priced in dollars and dollar exports are going to become much more attractive

relative to other European commodities, and ... we're going to see a flight to quality," says PHILIP GATTHELF, president of EQUIDEX. "We've seen a flight to T-bills already, government guarantees. If people start to lose confidence in that guarantee, of course, then gold, silver, platinum and palladium become the next best bets." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/9)

"Confidence ... in the ability of the government to function has been badly eroded," says MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER. "Whatever budget accord we get now may not be enough for the Fed to ease." He says even if the Fed does ease, it may be too little too late, and we will not be able to "avoid a drastic slowdown in the economy." (CNN "Moneyline", 10/9)

"The belief in the marketplace that the Federal Reserve will do nothing until after we get something you can put your hands on, in terms of the budget; the fact that oil prices are above $40 again; All of these things are catalysts," for failing bonds says DAIWA SECURITIES AMERICA's WILLIAM BRACHFELD. (CNN "Moneyline", 10/9)

"I was sort of at a loss to explain why people were buying [securities] so strongly on Friday, so I can't say that I'm surprised the market is getting killed right now," says one government bond trader. "And even though we have given back half of the gains that were made in the last week or so, I wouldn't be a buyer here either, particularly of bonds. With the dollar and oil acting the way they are, that is not a good trade." (NYT, 10/10)

Recent economic problems have created "extremely tenuous market conditions" for bonds, says STEPHEN LESLIE of M.R. BEAL & CO. "None of our concerns have been resolved with regard to a lasting budget agreement." He says bond yields may move back up to the recent high of 9.17%, "although it probably would require yet another jolt of bad news. ("Investor's Daily", 10/10)

"The bond market is inundated with supply," says TIM SCALA of SEQUOR GROUP. "Regardless of which way interest rates and the investment climates go, there's enough bonds to be financed out there." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/9)

"With the dollar weak and confidence in Washington at a low ebb, it will be very difficult to auction seven-year and 30-year debt," says WARD McCARTHY, a managing director at STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES, a Princeton, N.J. research concern. "It will take more rate concessions to get these securities sold." (NYT, 10/10)

THE ECONOMY:

"I'm increasingly concerned that this could turn into much more than just a mild recession," says DAVID BOSTIAN JR., chief economist of JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL & CO.. The economy probably began retrenching in June, Mr. Bostian estimates, and "with each new statistic from Washington and the pileup of debt in all economic sectors, I grow more and more concerned that we could be entering a

long, deep slump on the order of 1973-75 or 1981-82." (WSJ, 10/10)

"We're encouraged to look for only a rather mild recession largely because we don't detect the sort of excessive inventory building that typically deepens and prolongs a recession," says NANCY LAZAR, an economist at C.J. LAWRENCE, MORGAN GRENFELL INC. "It's only in the past couple of weeks, in fact, that we changed from a forecast containing no recession at all. We still don't think a recession is a sure bet." (WSJ, 10/10)

Banks are focusing on consumer lending as credit demand from such big borrowers, as builders, falls. "It's the only bastion left for banks," says FRANK ANDERSON, bank analyst for STEPHENS INC. in Little Rock. "They have no alternatives." ("USA Today", 10/10)

The FEDERAL RESERVE reported that consumer credit rose a modest 3.4% annual rate in August. "It shows that consumers are spending very, very cautiously, particularly for credit-related items, [but] they are not panicking," says SANDRA SHABER, vice president and consumer analyst with FUTURES GROUP INC. (WSJ, 10/10)

SAL ILAQUA of ROTHSCHILD says that if we do go to war the price of a barrel of oil could be "anywhere from $50 to $60." He says prices of even $100 per barrel "are a possibility, depending on what happens to production facilities." Ilaqua calls the environment "pretty grim." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/9)

The crisis in Iraq and the killings in Israel "keeps tensions high, keeps people on edge and it keeps the fear in the market that a month from now ... we'll be looking at crude prices around $60 or $70 a barrel," says TOM BENTZ of UNITED ENERGY. He says prices may rise another $3 to $4 over the next week. ("Investor's Daily", 10/10)

"SADDAM HUSSEIN is dictating upward [oil price] pressure right now," says THOMAS BLAKESLEE at PEGASUS ECONOMETRIC GROUP. He says the price jump yesterday could prompt PRESIDENT BUSH to further open the STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE to try to reverse price pressures. ("USA Today", 10/10)

"The volatility has been very high in crude [oil]," says GORDON RUTLEDGE of J. TAFARO BROKERAGE. But he adds, "we have seen, today, a bit more buying." Many think oil could test $45 per barrel. ("Nightly Business Report", 10/9)

"I would say generally the [oil] industry is of the opinion that the ultimate military solution to this thing [in the Middle East] is near at hand and as long as that belief continues to persist, it's difficult to find people who are willing to sell," says MICHAEL McDERMOTT, an oil trader at PAINEWEBBER. ("The Washington Post", 10/10)

IN WASHINGTON:

"I think that the stakes were so high that to not do something [meaningful on the budget] was unfathomable," says AL GOLDMAN at A.G. EDWARDS. "It creates a sense overseas that our country is ungovernable." ("USA Today", 10/10)

"There may be some minor modifications along the way [in a new budget agreement], but there really isn't time for them to go back to the beginning and start the negotiations from zero and try to come up with a whole new plan " says STAN COLLANDER, who follows the federal budget for PRICE WATERHOUSE. "Instead, they're going to have to figure out what kind of minor changes they can attract the support they need to get this passed." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up" 10/9)

"This budget is a total farce at this point," says BILL WOLMAN of "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "There is no way we're going to cut the federal deficit, and the deficit this year is going to be at least $300 billion. And it's going to be that next year, too, despite this program. So, there's no cheer yet." (CNBC's "Market Wrap-Up", 10/9)

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ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - CPC International Inc. (NYSE: CPC) and Milwaukee Seasonings, Inc. today jointly announced an agreement for the sale of Milwaukee Seasonings to CPC for an undisclosed cash sum.

Milwaukee Seasonings, Inc. is a privately-owned, Wisconsin processor of custom-formulated food ingredient systems for the foodservice and food processing industries. Its total sales in 1990 are expected to be in excess of $40 million. Milwaukee Seasonings has plants at Germantown, Wis., and Irving, Texas, and has 185 employees.

CPC International, with sales in 1989 of $5.1 billion, ranks as one of the largest and most international food companies in the U.S. Best- known among its U.S. products are: Hellmann's and Best Foods mayonnaise, Mazola corn oil and margarine, Skippy peanut butter, Thomas' English muffins, Arnold breads, Mueller's pasta products, Karo and Golden Griddle syrups, and Knorr soups, sauces and bouillons. CPC has operations in 47 countries, including 112 plants, and has 32,500 employees.

Robert J. Gillespie, president of CPC's North American consumer foods business Best Foods, and a vice president of CPC International, said, "The acquisition of Milwaukee Seasonings is an important step for Best Foods, marking our entry in the custom-formulated food ingredient systems business in the U. S. - a business our company entered in Europe some time ago. We view this business as a growth area closely related to the changing demands of the foodservice and food processing industries. We believe our experience in these industries of nearly a century will be beneficial to Milwaukee Seasonings, and

similarly that their technology and know-how will be beneficial to Best Foods and other operations of CPC abroad."

D.L. Gruber, chairman and founder of Milwaukee Seasonings, Inc. said, "The sale of Milwaukee Seasonings to CPC will enable us to serve our customers even better utilizing CPC technology and facilities. We believe this action will lead to further enhancement of the reputation of MSI products as well as CPC's brands. As in the past, the MSI team of employees will continue to maintain its high standards of consistently high quality products and excellent service to the industry."

With sales in 1989 of $5.1 billion, CPC International Inc. ranks as one of the largest and most international food companies in the U.S. CPC's worldwide consumer foods business accounts for approximately 80 percent of the company's total sales, and its products are household favorites throughout North America Europe, Latin America, and Asia. Best-known among its U.S. brands are: Hellmann's and Best Foods mayonnaise, Mazola corn oil and margarine, Skippy peanut butter, Thomas' English muffins, Arnold breads, Mueller's pasta products, Karo and Golden Griddle syrups, and Knorr soups, sauces and bouillons. CPC is also one of the largest corn refiners with operations in North America and Latin America. Worldwide CPC International has operations in 47 countries including 112 plants.

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READING, UK (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - X/Open Company Ltd., the worldwide open systems organization, today announced six new volumes of advanced specifications that will form the foundation of an extended industry-wide open system platform for the 1990s.

X/Open also announced a new, "open" policy that changes the way the specifications are released. In addition to the traditional XPG volumes of formal specifications, X/Open is introducing early release levels to allow the growing open systems community to have access to the latest interface definitions and technical directions, and to give feedback to X/Open.

In addition to the initial volumes released today, further specifications will be published regularly. The new specifications will significantly extend the scope and value of the internationally-supported XPG open systems environment.

The advance specifications cover the following: -- Protocols for X/Open PC Interworking, or (PC)NFS. This first volume recognizes how important it is to facilitate interworking between personal computers and X/Open-compliant

systems in a standardized way.

-- Distributed Transaction Processing, or the XA Specification. This is the first of a new breed of specifications aimed at allowing a broad industry participation in the development of specifications. Developed from scratch, in close collaboration with major suppliers of database management systems, and in accordance with the X/Open reference model, it will encourage the development of compliant products and will evolve along with technology.

-- Byte Stream File Transfer (BSFT). BSFT provides a command line interface to the OSI FTAM service, based on the widely used "ftp" commands, allowing those familiar with existing tools to migrate to open systems.

-- Comparison Study of OSI Profiles. This document compares the main features and philosophy of the most important OSI profiles, with conclusions on trends and developments.

-- Structured Query Language (SQL). This is an enhanced version of the XPG specification, which extends exisiting capabilities to include dynamic embedded SQL capabilities.

X/Open Company Ltd., founded in 1984, is an independent, non-profit corporation made up of international computer system vendors who are investing business, technical and marketing resources in the specification of the X/Open Portability Guide (XPG), a vendor-independent, open operating environment based on de facto and international standards. Specification of the XPG is achieved through close cooperation with users, independent software vendors and standards organizations worldwide.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Infrasonics Inc. (NASDAQ: IFRA) announced today that sales for its first quarter, ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 40 percent to $1,853,200, compared to $1,325,100 for the same quarter last year. The profit for the first quarter was $119,100 or $.01 per share, compared to $81,500 or $.01 per share for the previous year.

Jim Hitchin, Infrasonics' president, said, "Revenues are increasing rapidly due to our expanding market share for each of our major products in both the neonatal and adult ventilation markets. I expect this trend to continue in subsequent quarters."

Infrasonics is a public company with its common shares traded Over-the-Counter under the NASDAQ symbol IFRA. The company manufactures

ventilators (respirators) for infants, children and adults as well as other respiratory care products for use in hospitals and the home.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Banyan Systems today announced VINES support for the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP), the network management standard that has gained industry-wide support. The company also announced the availability of the VINES SNMP Management Information Base (MIB) which developers can use to write SNMP Managers that can access information from a VINES network. Banyan will offer a VINES SNMP Agent, enabling the communications of VINES network and systems management information to any SNMP compliant management node.

Together, the VINES SNMP Agent and VINES SNMP MIB provide the tools to integrate the management of VINES networks into any SNMP compliant management station. Banyan will demonstrate VINES support for SNMP at INTEROP/90 in booth No. 1908. In addition, NetLabs and Cabletron will demonstrate management products at INTEROP/90 that provide support for VINES SNMP.

By incorporating SNMP support in VINES, the entire corporate-wide PC network can be managed through SNMP, not just the TCP/IP connected portions of the network. SNMP management stations that incorporate the VINES SNMP MIB can now collect all the system and network management data that is currently available to VINES system and network administrators. VINES network and system management options provide performance information on individual servers, services, connections and network topology and allow global management of network services such as File, Print and Mail services.

Banyan's support of the VINES SNMP Agent and the announced availability of the VINES SNMP MIB underscore Banyan's continuing commitment to deliver standards-based networking products. Banyan is committed to working with third parties to help incorporate the management of VINES networks into their SNMP management products.

Banyan's SNMP MIB is available now to all developers of SNMP Manager products.

About Banyan Systems

Banyan is the leader in corporate-wide PC networking. Its flagship product, VINES, is a standards-based distributed network operating system for local or global internetworking of personal computers, minicomputers, and mainframes. VINES is recognized for its ability to make multivendor networks of any size easy to use and manage. Banyan products are marketed worldwide through a network of authorized value- added resellers (VARs) and country partners.

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UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Corporation (NYSE: WU) today announced it has extended the period of its current exchange offer, which had been scheduled to expire at 12:00 midnight on Oct. 9, to 12:00 midnight on Thursday, Oct. 25, 1990.

In the exchange offer, which is a key component of the company's recapitalization plan, Western Union is proposing to issue new notes and common shares in exchange for up to $530 million of its presently outstanding 16 percent notes and 19-1/4 percent senior secured notes. The reclassification of Western Union preferred shares into common shares, which is the other major component of the recapitalization plan, was approved by the company's shareholders on Aug. 16.

Preliminary figures indicate that as of midnight on Oct. 9, $1,421,000 aggregate principal amount of Western Union 16 percent notes and $346,339,000 aggregate principal amount of its 19-1/4 percent notes had been tendered in the current exchange offer (including securities as to which delivery has been guaranteed).

CONTACT: Warren R. Bechtel of Western Union, 201-818-5790 and 212-868-8888

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DANBURY, CT (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc. announced today that it has licensed its UNICARB(TM) System technology to BASF Corporation. Under the license, BASF will develop, manufacture and market UNICARB System coating formulations.

The UNICARB System replaces up to 80 percent of the solvents normally used in spray coating formulations with carbon dioxide. Unlike other VOC (volatile organic compound) abatement systems that generate carbon dioxide, the UNICARB System uses carbon dioxide that has been emitted from other industrial processes.

UNICARB System formulations developed by BASF will allow coating applicators to meet the environmental regulations proposed for the Clean Air Act amendments. Terry Anderson, director of research for BASF, says, "Manufacturers are looking for cost effective solutions to lowering VOC

emissions without sacrificing quality and appearance. For many coating applications, the UNICARB System technology could be the answer."

BASF Corporation, headquartered in Parsippany, N.J., is a major supplier of coatings to the automotive OEM manufacturing and refinishing markets.

"Union Carbide has invested many years in developing products that could help lower VOC emissions for spray applied coatings," says Tom White, business manager for the UNICARB System. "We feel the UNICARB System technology is the solution. We see our investment starting to pay dividends in early 1991 as the first UNICARB System spray coating operations are commercialized. We anticipate rapid acceptance in several major markets as the Clean Air Act amendments are legislated."

BASF joins UNICARB System licensees who will supply coatings and spray coating equipment to the automotive, wood and metal furniture, heavy equipment, appliances, aerospace, and truck and bus markets.

CONTACT: Brian P. Macdonald of Union Carbide, 203-794-3210

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#90283p3073 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SECAUCUS, NJ (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - An ultra-compact personal hand-held cellular phone, Model HP600, has been introduced by the Panasonic Communications & Systems Company.

Measuring a mere 2-1/6" (width) by 6-9/16" (height) by 7/8 (depth), the HP600's handset was built to the specific height of 6-9/16"; the minimum length considering the distance between the ear and mouth.

As a result of the Panasonic Battery saving mode, the HP600 offers an outstanding 90 minutes (typically) of talktime (16 hours stand-by time) with its standard battery pack.

The HP600's user-friendly features include dual selectable telephone numbers that permit two phone number capability for subscriber versatility; Any Key Answer that allows a user to push any key, with the exception of Power and End Keys, to answer a call; and a 100 number alphanumeric memory that includes alpha tagging of stored numbers and nine special memories for pauses dialing.

The phone also offers a backlit keypad and LCD that automatically shuts off after 10 seconds to save battery life, scratch pad dialing that allows input of a number while you are still speaking, a function menu guide that helps users view correct key-in operations and automatic repeat dialing.

The phone's stay alive function maintains connection for five seconds to permit changing the battery, and it has a visible and audible low battery

warning. It features a three-level electronic lock; the Full Lock setting locks all incoming and outgoing calls; the Dial Lock setting transmits only memorized numbers; and the Send Lock setting allows a user to only receive calls.

The HP600 weighs 13.4 ounces and will be available in November at a suggested list price of $1,200.

CONTACT: Jim Wickizer of Panasonic, 201-392-4319

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#90283p3080 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Earnings per share of Humana Inc. (NYSE: HUM) increased 17 percent in the year ended August 31, as the company's strategy of vertical integration involving hospitals and health plans continued to gain ground.

Net income advanced to $309,639,000 or $3.00 per share from $255,987,000 or $2.56 a year ago. Revenues rose 19 percent from the previous year, to $4,851,958,000 from $4,087,994,000.

Humana's health plans ended the year with an operating profit of $49,072,000, up from $3,940,000 in fiscal 1989 as revenues increased to $1,494,084,000 from $1,088,114,000. Hospital operating income increased to $636,680,000 from $587,721,000 the year before as revenues grew to $3,597,945,000 from $3,153,537,000. Hospital revenues paid by Humana health plans, eliminated in consolidation, increased to $240,071,000 from $153,657,000.

Hospital admissions, computed on a same-hospital basis, gained 4.8 percent. Humana health plan members accounted for 19 percent of Humana's hospital admissions, up from 16 percent last year.

For the three months ended August 31, Humana earned $85,122,000 or 78 cents per share, compared with $66,730,000 or 66 cents a year ago. Revenues grew to $1,280,257,000 from $1,078,792,000.

Humana owns and operates 83 hospitals and provides a variety of health benefit plans for employee groups and Medicare beneficiaries.

CONTACT: Charles E. Teeple of Humana Inc., 502-580-3613

-30- 1631

#90283p3083 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Soft Warehouse, the Computer Superstore, today began offering a broad range of Dell Computer Corp. products in a decision that significantly expands the company's PC product line and marks a

novel service arrangement with the PC manufacturer.

Soft Warehouse, the exclusive retail source for Dell Computers, will offer Dell desktop and laptop systems based on the Intel 286, 386, 386SX and 486 microprocessors. Each system will be supported by Dell's unlimited toll-free technical support and a one-year, on-site service contract provided through the manufacturer -- an arrangement unique to Soft Warehouse. The service contract can be extended for an additional four years.

"We are excited to be able to offer a full range of premium-brand Dell products and expect our customers to benefit from the alliance between Soft Warehouse and Dell," said Tim White, general manager of the Soft Warehouse store in Chicago. "No other computer superstore chain offers free, manufacturer-direct technical support with the purchase of a PC. We believe the combination of quality products and Dell-provided technical support will be very attractive to our customers." White added that the quality and accessibility of Dell's technical support has been consistently cited in eight consecutive PC WEEK polls of customer satisfaction won by Dell.

Soft Warehouse has been established in Chicago since July 1990 and currently employs about 66 individuals in the retail operation. Located at 1057 E. Golf Road in Schaumburg, the store maintains an inventory of more than 5,000 computer and computer-related products in a 20,000-plus square foot showroom. Soft Warehouse is best known for its quality selection, service and discount savings of up to 80 percent on brand-name products.

CONTACT: Nathan Morton of Soft Warehouse, 214-406-4700

-30- 2064

#90283p3090 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Gateway Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: NMS/GWAY) has been awarded "Editor's Choice" for its G/EtherTwist local area network products. The prestigious award is published in the Oct. 16 issue of PC Magazine ("Building Workgroup Solutions: 10BaseT LANs"), one of the computer industry's foremost end-user/dealer computer publications.

Gateway's G/EtherTwist follows the award-winning tradition of its sister product, G/Ethernet, which is the current "Editor's Choice" for coaxial Ethernet products. G/EtherTwist outperformed an impressive field of competitors including Hewlett-Packard, 3Com and many others.

Gateway's G/EtherTwist Hub was also used as the central foundation piece throughout the testing of all 12 UTP Ethernet adapters.

First introduced in February 1990, G/EtherTwist is Gateway's family of IEEE 802.3 10Base-T LAN adapters and hubs designed for use with unshielded twisted pair telephone wire. Gateway is one of the industry leaders in this emerging

market.

Gateway Communications Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets a full range of networking and communications products for IBM and compatible personal computers. Gateway products are sold in more than 70 countries worldwide. Corporate and international headquarters are located at 2941 Alton Ave., Irvine, Calif., 92714, telephone 714-553-1555; fax: 714-553-1616.

CONTACT: Jean Taber or Bradley Morse of Gateway Communications, 714-553-1555

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#90283p3093 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Sports-Tech International, Inc. (NASDAQ: STXL) today announced results for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990. Revenue increased 35 percent to $6,048,233 from $4,467,693 in the prior year and net earnings increased 179 percent to $618,405 ($.45 per share) from $221,402 ($.26 per share) in the prior year.

Many leading professional, college and high school teams have chosen Sports-Tech's computerized video duplicating and editing systems for their sports programs.

14 NFL teams, including the San Francisco Forty-Niners, Los Angeles Raiders and Chicago Bears.

Nine NBA teams, including the Los Angeles Lakers, Portland Trailblazers and San Antonio Spurs.

93 College Football teams, including Notre Dame, Virginia, Auburn, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Florida, Florida State, Illinois, Washington and Texas A&M.

12 College Basketball teams, including UNLV, Kansas and Michigan State. - 36 High School teams in five states.

Continued growth is expected to result from expansion of the company's sales efforts to the college and high school markets and from the introduction of new, economical editing systems with professional features and capabilities.

Michael Levy, chairman, stated that "Sports-Tech's success is due to the dedication, abilities and enthusiasm of our employees and the continued satisfaction of our customers. The company is a prime player in the high profile, rapidly growing and generally recession-resistant sports market, and management is absolutely committed to building a profitable and successful business."

SPORTS-TECH INTERNATIONAL, INC.

STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Audited)

	YEAR ENDED Aug. 31, 1990	YEAR ENDED Aug. 31, 1989
Revenues	$6,048,233	$4,467,693
Costs and Expenses	5,039,968	4,081,291
Income before taxes	1,008,265	386,402
Provision for taxes	(389,860)	(165,000)
Net income	$ 618,405	$ 221,402
Net income per share	$.45	$.26
Weighted average common equivalent shares outstanding	1,381,271	842,603

SPORTS-TECH INTERNATIONAL, INC.
BALANCE SHEETS
(audited)

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
ASSETS		
Current Assets	$4,456,102	$3,968,494
Long-term and other assets	513,000	612,984
Total assets	$4,969,102	$4,581,478
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' INVESTMENT		
Current liabilities	$1,237,820	$1,380,378
Shareholders' investment	3,731,282	3,201,100
Total liabilities and shareholders' investment	$4,969,102	$4,581,478

CONTACT: Michael Levy, chairman of Sports-Tech International, Inc., 305-772-9155.

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#90283p3096 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - John G. Smale announced today that he plans to retire as an officer and employee of The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) effective Jan. 1, 1991, after more than 38 years of service with the company.

Smale served as chief executive officer of Procter & Gamble from 1981 to 1990 and has been a director of the company since 1972. Smale will continue to serve as a member of the board of directors and will continue as chairman of the executive committee of the board.

Edwin L. Artzt, chairman of the board and chief executive of Procter & Gamble, said, "We will greatly miss John Smale as a fellow employee of P&G, but we are gratified that he has decided to stay on as a director and provide the company and its shareholders the continued benefits of his great wisdom and immense business experience."

Smale, 63, has been an officer of Procter & Gamble for 23 years -- serving as vice president, executive vice president, president, chairman of the board and chairman of the executive committee. He joined Procter & Gamble in 1952.

Smale's first job with Procter & Gamble was as an assistant brand manager. He rose in responsibility within the company's Advertising Department, where he became, in 1963, manager of the Advertising Department of the then Toilet Goods Division.

He was elected vice president-Toilet Goods Division in 1967 and a vice president-group executive in 1970. He was elected to the board of directors in 1972. In 1974, he became president, in charge of Procter & Gamble's operations in the United States, a position he held until 1981 when he was also elected chief executive officer. In 1986, he became chairman and continued as chief executive officer.

When Smale first became the chief executive in 1981, Procter & Gamble's sales were $11.5 billion and earnings were $668 million. On Jan. 2, 1990, when he stepped aside as chief executive, the company's sales exceeded $21.4 billion and earnings were in excess of $1.2 billion.

Smale has received honorary degrees from a number of colleges and universities including Xavier University, DePauw University and his alma mater, Miami University.

Mr. and Mrs. Smale will continue to reside in Cincinnati for the foreseeable future.

CONTACT: S.L. McHugh, 513-983-4185; or P.J. Hayes, 513-983-3559; both of The Procter & Gamble Company

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#90283p3097 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - J.C. Penney Company, Inc. (NYSE: JCP), announced today that it will provide free packaging and shipping for Christmas parcels of JCPenney merchandise sent to Operation Desert Shield APO/FPO zip codes.

Purchases made through Nov. 15 are eligible, but parcels shipped after Nov. 3 to Desert Shield APO/FPO zip codes cannot be assured of delivery before Christmas.

Gifts may be purchased at any JCPenney store or ordered through the catalog by calling toll-free 1-800-222-6161. If customers do not have a JCPenney Christmas catalog, they should go to the catalog department in a JCPenney store where copies of the catalog will be available.

"This is a stressful time for family and friends of military personnel stationed in the Persian Gulf," said W. R. Howell, chairman of the board of JCPenney. "We hope that our free Christmas shipping service can help in some small way to lighten the burden of separation during the Holiday Season."

CONTACT: Duncan Muir, 214-591-1329 or Louise Feinsot, 212-477-4094, both of JCPenney

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#90283p3101 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Carl B. Drake Jr., vice chairman of the Ordway Music Theatre's board of directors, today announced the appointment of Bill Conner as its president. Conner has served as executive director of The Children's Theatre Company (CTC) for the past four years.

During Conner's tenure at CTC, the Theatre has eliminated a $500,000 deficit, balanced CTC budgets in four consecutive years, created the Theatre's cash reserve of $450,000, increased CTC's annual attendance from 200,000 to 280,000 and the subscription base from 11,000 to over 29,000. In addition, Conner managed the Theatre's touring programs, strengthening the national touring program as well as developing successful exchange programs between CTC and the Central Children's Theatre of Moscow and the upcoming exchange with the Children's Art Theatre in Shanghai.

Conner, who came to The Children's Theatre Company from Chicago where he served as founding producer of the first International Theatre Festival in Chicago, as well as managing director of the Court and St. Nicholas Theatres, will assume his position at the Ordway on Monday, Oct. 15, 1990.

Locally, Conner has served as a board member for Ballet of the Dolls, the Penumbra Theater Company, and for ASSITEJ, the International Association of Theatres for Young People.

Carl Drake stated that, "The board and staff are enthusiastic about having Bill as part of our team at the Ordway, and we feel confident in his leadership abilities."

CONTACT: Michael J. Brand of Ordway Music Theatre, 612-224-1051

-30- 1761

#90283p3104 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Service Merchandise Company, Inc., (NYSE: SME) today announced sales and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $657,905,000 compared to $621,956,000 for the third quarter of 1989, an increase of $35,949,000 or 5.8 percent. Comparable store sales increased 2.4 percent over the prior year. The Company has added a net of 14 stores since the third quarter of last year.

The net loss for the three months ended September 30, 1990 was $(7,306,000), or $(.14) per share, compared to $(11,690,000), or $(.22) per share for the same quarter last year. The decrease in the net loss is primarily due to a reduction in selling, general and administrative expense as a percentage of net sales.

Gross margin for the third quarter of 1990, after taking into account buying and occupancy expense, was 24.6 percent of net sales, or the same as last year. Hardlines merchandise margins increased during the quarter but were offset by a decline in jewelry merchandise margins.

Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of net sales decreased to 19.4 percent for the third quarter from 20.4 percent for the third quarter of 1989. The decrease in the expense as a percentage of net sales was attributable primarily to decreases in payroll in 1990 and to one-time recapitalization expenses incurred in the third quarter of 1989.

Total long-term debt decreased to $821 million at September 30, 1990 from $889 million at September 30, 1989. The decrease in the total long-term debt is a result of both scheduled payments and prepayments which demonstrate the Company's ability and desire to repay debt associated with the recapitalization as soon as possible.

Interest expense on debt and capitalized leases increased $852,000, or 2.7 percent in the third quarter to $32,432,000 in 1990 from $31,580,000 in 1989. The Company's interest expense increased due to the increase in average outstanding debt in 1990 when compared to 1989, substantially offset by the favorable impact of a reduction in market interest rates on variable rate debt. Because the recapitalization debt incurred on July 25, 1989 was outstanding only 65 of the 92 days in the quarter, the interest expense from debt incurred as a result of the recapitalization was $11,900,000 in 1989 and increased to $15,260,000 in the third quarter of 1990.

The Company's Credit Agreement, entered into in connection with the recapitalization in July 1989, provided for (a) $360 million in a Secured Term Loan of which $55 million was repaid by the first quarter, (b) $140 million in a Real Estate Bridge Loan, and (c) approximately $475 million in revolving credit loans. Of the $55 million repaid by the first quarter, the Company utilized excess cash flow to prepay approximately $35 million of the Term Loan. $90 million of the Real Estate Bridge Loan was converted to First Mortgage Secured Notes due in the year 2000 with a current cost to the Company of 9.5 percent. The remaining $50 million of the Real Estate Bridge Loan was converted on July 25, 1990 to a term loan due in 1995 at a current variable

rate of 12.5 percent, but is refinancable at any time at the Company's option.

For the nine-month period ended September 30, 1990, the Company incurred a net loss of $(21,615,000), or $(.41) per share, compared to a net loss of $(2,250,000), or $(.04) per share, for the comparable period last year. The increased net loss was attributable primarily to the higher interest expense from the recapitalization. In the first nine months, recapitalization expense including interest totalled $60 million and reduced net earnings by $.72 per share in 1990, compared to $22 million in the comparable 1989 period which reduced net earnings by $.27 per share in 1989, a difference of $38 million or $.45 per share.

Raymond Zimmerman, President and Chairman stated, "I am pleased with the progress we have made since the recapitalization. Earnings and cash flow have exceeded our expectations. We are looking forward to the important Christmas Season."

Service Merchandise Company, Inc., "America's Leading Jeweler," operates 337 catalog stores and one Service Jewelry Store.

Service Merchandise Company, Inc. (N)
(in thousands except per Share data)

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$657,905	$621,956	$2,032,579	$1,904,245
Net Earnings (Loss)	(7,306)	(11,690)	(21,615)	(2,250)
Net Earnings (Loss) Per Share	(0.14)	(0.22)	(0.41)	(0.04)
Weighted Average Common Shares and Common Share Equivalents Outstanding	52,486	52,610	52,579	51,681
Dividends Per Share		10.000		10.030
Comparable Showroom Sales Increase	2.4		3.4	

CONTACT: S.P. Braud, Corporate Vice President, Treasurer, and CFO of Service Merchandise Company, Inc., 615-371-3470.

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#90283p3107 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Circuit City Stores, Inc., (NYSE: CC) today announced the appointment of three new officers.

Bernard W. Andrews has been named to the newly created position of executive vice president of marketing. He was most recently president-marketing for Montgomery Ward & Company.

Andrews joined Montgomery Ward in 1983 as vice president-home furnishings. He was named senior vice president-advertising in 1985, president-hardlines in 1986 and president-marketing in 1990. Prior to joining Montgomery Ward, Andrews spent 20 years at Sears, Roebuck and Co. Mr. Andrews holds a bachelors degree in business administration from Marshall University.

"Bernie is a strong and experienced addition to our management team," said Richard L. Sharp, Circuit City's president and chief executive officer. "We are confident that his extensive background in hard goods retailing will contribute to the development and implementation of Circuit City's long-range marketing strategy."

The company also promoted two associate controllers. Keith D. Browning, who joined Circuit City in 1982, was named corporate controller. Philip J. Dunn was appointed treasurer. Dunn joined the company in 1984.

Circuit City Stores, Inc is the nation's largest specialty retailer of brand-name consumer electronics and major appliances. With headquarters in Richmond, Va., it operates 138 Superstores, 16 Circuit City stores and eight Impulse mall stores in the eastern, midwestern and western United States.

CONTACT: Ann M. Collier of Circuit City Stores, Inc., 804-527-4058

-30- 1787
#90283p3108 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOOSTER, OH (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Rubbermaid Incorporated (NYSE: RBD) today announced record sales and earnings for the three and nine month periods ended Sept. 30. Sales for the three month period were $364 million, a 4 percent increase over the $352 million of last year's third quarter. Earnings for the period were $38.3 million, or 52 cents per share, up 18 percent from last year's $32.6 million, or 44 cents per share.

For the first nine months of 1990, sales were $1.07 billion, a 3 percent increase over the $1.03 billion of last year's comparable period. Earnings increased to $103.9 million, or $1.41 per share, a 15 percent increase over last year's $90.1 million, or $1.22 per share.

Rubbermaid Incorporated and subsidiaries report for the periods ended Sept. 30:

	Three Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Net earning per Common Share (A)	$.52	$.44

STATEMENT OF EARNINGS		
Net sales	$363,982,000	$351,505,000
Cost of sales	241,706,000	233,501,000
Selling, general and administrative expenses	60,926,000	59,290,000
Other charges, net	187,000	4,597,000
Earnings before income taxes	61,163,000	54,117,000
Income taxes	22,823,000	21,557,000
Net earnings	$38,340,000	$32,560,000
DIVIDENDS		
Cash dividends paid	$9,587,000	$8,106,000
Cash dividends paid per Common Share	$.13	$.11

	Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Net earning per Common Share(A)	$1.41	$1.22
STATEMENT OF EARNINGS		
Net sales	$1,069,396,000	$1,034,088,000
Cost of sales	716,144,000	703,632,000
Selling, general and administrative expenses	183,590,000	171,955,000
Other charges, net	3,018,000	11,178,000
Earnings before income taxes	166,644,000	147,323,000
Income taxes	62,744,000	57,248,000
Net earnings	$103,900,000	$90,075,000
DIVIDENDS		
Cash dividends paid	$28,762,000	$24,316,000
Cash dividends paid per Common Share	$.39	$.33

(A) Based on average shares outstanding of 73,839,519 and 73,680,969 for the respective 1990 and 1989 three month periods and 73,777,924 and 73,658,873 for the respective nine month periods.

CONTACT: Richard D. Gates, vice president and treasurer of Rubbermaid Incorporated, 216-264-6464

-30- 3024

#90283p3111 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARUBA, DUTCH CARIBBEAN (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Divi Hotels N.V. (AMEX: DVH) announced today that its exchange offer on its two outstanding issues of debt securities will be extended until midnight, Eastern Daylight Time, on Nov. 9, 1990.

The exchange offer was initiated on April 27, 1990, and is being made to security holders qualified to participate in a private placement regarding

Divi's $60,000,000 of 14-1/2 percent senior debentures due 1998 and $50,000,000 of 12-3/4 percent subordinated notes due 1996. It was originally scheduled to expire at midnight, EDT, on May 24, 1990, and was previously extended until midnight, EDT, on Oct. 10, 1990.

Through Oct. 10, 1990, only a nominal amount of the outstanding debt securities covered by the exchange offer had been validly tendered. The company is continuing negotiations with a committee of the holders of the two issues of debt securities and hopes to reach agreement with the committee as to revised terms for the exchange offer by the end of November.

CONTACT: Kevin E. Roberts, chief financial officer, or William L. Reed, director of finance, both of Divi Hotels Marketing, 607-277-3484

-30- 1331

#90283p3116 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Rohm and Haas Co. (NYSE: ROH) announced today that it has reached an agreement to sell its Triton surfactant and alkylphenol business to Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Co. Inc. (NYSE: UK).

Rohm and Haas announced in April that the business was for sale. The Triton surfactant and alkylphenol business has worldwide sales in excess of $100 million.

"The sale will result in a good fit. Union Carbide has an existing surfactant business which complements our line of specialty surfactants," said David T. Espenshade, business unit director for Formulation Chemicals. "I am confident that Rohm and Haas customers -- both external and internal -- will continue to be well served by the new management."

Rohm and Haas is selling the inventories, technology and Triton trademarks associated with the surfactant business. No manufacturing facilities are included in the transaction. Rohm and Haas will continue to manufacture both surfactant and alkylphenol products for Union Carbide at its plants in Philadelphia and Houston for up to four years. Manufacturing eventually will be integrated into Union Carbide's plants.

Rohm and Haas expects the transaction, which requires government approval, to be completed by the end of the year.

The financial terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

CONTACT: George Bochanski of Rohm and Haas, 215-592-3248

-30- 1598

#90283p3117 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific-Atlanta (NYSE: SFA) and V-Crest Systems Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Volkswagen of America Inc., have signed a contract valued at more than $12 million to design, install and service an extensive VSAT (Very Small Aperture Terminal) satellite network.

The new network will replace Volkswagen's existing terrestrial private-line network, and link up to 835 Volkwagen and Audi dealers across the United States with V-Crest's headquarters.

The use of Scientific-Atlanta's SkylinX.25(TM) VSATs will make possible new applications for auto industry that were not feasible with terrestrial technology. These include broadcast video transmission for training and corporate communications, low-cost credit card approval, and on-line check approval.

Other benefits of the network will be increased speed, network capacity, and system availability for existing applications. These applications include general accounting, sales, parts and service functions.

Scientific-Atlanta's SkylinX.25 is a full-featured VSAT network characterized by a high degree of software definition and an industry-standard X.25 packet switch architecture. The SkylinX.25 system provides greater flexibility and more connectivity options.

In addition to providing the network hardware and software, Scientific-Atlanta will be providing on-going maintenance and support, including network hub management with on-site personnel on Scientific-Atlanta's shared hub in Warren Mich.

V-Crest is planning an aggressive rollout of the Volkswagen network, and expects to have most dealers connected by January 1991. Once upgraded to the VSAT system, dealers will obtain the additional features and capabilities at about the same monthly charges as they now incur for the terrestrial system.

Scientific-Atlanta Inc. is a leader in cable television electronics and satellite-based communication networks, and is a key supplier of electronic instrumentation for industrial, telecommunications and government applications worldwide.

CONTACT: Dave Scott of Scientific-Atlanta, 404-441-4618, or Paul McKeon of Crescent Communications, 404-698-8650

-30- 2378

#90283p3120 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS/DATA (NASDAQ: LAWR) is pleased to announced that CLO 2 (Comprehensive Law Office), its industry-leading law

office management package, is now available on the IBM RISC System/6000 system units under AIX (a form of the UNIX operating system). By providing CLO 2 on this platform, CMS/DATA is able to expand its offering of law practice management applications to a much wider market.

Alan Tripp, vice president of Sales & Marketing for CMS/DATA, stated that, with UNIX as an industry standard, it was a logical step to make their legal applications available on these systems. Additionally, with IBM's endorsement of UNIX, the impact on the market could be similar to the effect IBM's support of MS DOS had to the PC market. "The RS/6000 is a cost competitive high-powered platform," stated Tripp, "and with IBM's reputation for commitment to quality and service, we believe them to be an ideal partner."

Developed specifically for law offices, CLO 2 provides law practive management applications such as Time & Billing, General Ledger and Accounts Payable, and is designed for high system performance and reliability. CLO 2 is integrated with industry-standard WordPerfect word processing which allows for easier training for those operators with word processing experience, and increased operator productivity within a shorter period of time.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Allwaste, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALWS) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to 500,000 shares of its common stock in the open market or in privately-negotiated transactions during the period through August 31, 1991. The company currently has approximately 34,800,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

Clayton K. Trier, president and co-chief executive officer, stated, "Allwaste's balance sheet is very strong, and we believe that recent market conditions make the purchase of the company's common stock a sound financial investment for the company." Trier added, "These purchases will be made at prices which will not be dilutive to earnings per share for the current year."

Shares of common stock repurchased under the program will be held in the company treasury and will be available for use in connection with business acquisitions by the company, requirements under employee benefit programs or other general corporate purposes. Because of restrictions associated with pooling-of-interests transactions made earlier this year, the company is limited to purchasing up to about 100,000 share through Nov. 15, 1990.

Allwaste, Inc. is a Houston-based environmental services company with over 90 operating locations throughout the United States and Canada.

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ZEELAND, MI (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Gentex Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: GNTX) today announced the receipt of a purchase order from Chrysler Motors Corporation for its new Electrochromic Headlamp Control Mirrors (EH Mirrors). The mirrors will be offered in option packages on select 1992 model Chrysler luxury vehicles.

The new EH Mirror is a standard Gentex interior electrochromic mirror with an extra feature: A special sensor monitors daylight conditions and automatically turns the vehicle's headlamps on and off in response to the amount of light observed.

"This is the industry's first application for this new product and numerous other vehicle models are considering adapting it in the future," said Kenneth LaGrand, Gentex executive vice president. "Gentex is building partnerships with the automakers who are telling us what their customers want, and we are developing more sophisticated products to meet the auto industry's needs by incorporating more features within the housing of the mirror." The EH Mirror is the first of several advanced-feature electrochromic mirrors Gentex plans to introduce in the next year.

Gentex officials anticipate that the new Chrysler purchase order will generate an estimated $1 million in additional revenue for the company during the first full year of production.

"We expect to sell more of the EH Mirrors than the original Electrochromic Mirror because of the added headlamp feature. Consumers can purchase the EH Mirror for about $60 more than the standard electrochromic mirror," said LaGrand.

Gentex Corporation develops, manufactures and markets proprietary electro-optical products: patented electrochromic and motorized automatic mirrors for the automotive industry and an extensive line of fire-protection products for commercial applications. Shares of Gentex common stock are traded publicly in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol GNTX.

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DALLAS (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - EDS (NYSE: GME) announced today that it has signed a five-year agreement to provide computer and communication systems, as

well as other management system services, for the Marine Spill Response Corporation (MSRC). MSRC has been created in order to quickly organize and deploy necessary resources during catastrophic oil spills.

EDS will work with the MSRC to define, analyze, design and implement the information and communication systems the MSRC needs in both spill- crisis situations and day-to-day business activities. MSRC will use EDS' support to develop knowledge-based systems for coordinating oil spill response efforts and integrating tide, current, weather, spill trajectory and environmental data.

As a result of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, oil shippers and others responsible for offshore oil transportation are required to show that they can contain and clean up any oil spill they might cause. MSRC, the largest response organization of its kind, will be the resource that most marine petroleum transporters will use in responding to catastrophic spills.

"EDS is proud to be able to play a role in this unprecedented mobilization effort by the energy industry and proud to bring 28 years of information technology experience to the environmental arena," said EDS' Energy Division president, Ken Scott. "EDS looks at this relationship as an opportunity to contribute its expertise to the entire energy industry."

"In the energy business, properly managed technology and information systems provide a powerful management tool and contribute to an operation's success. The same is true of MSRC where EDS-managed communication and information systems will arm MSRC with effective tools in its battle to combat major oil spills in U.S. waters," Scott added.

MSRC will be headquartered in Washington and will have five regional response centers located in the Northeast, southern Florida, Louisiana, southern California and the Northwest. There will also be 23 staging areas organized under the regional response centers. These staging areas will house response equipment and, in some cases, vessels and response personnel.

John D. Costello, retired Coast Guard vice admiral and president of MSRC, said that the new company's geographic dispersion and comprehensive response and cleanup roles will make effective use of technology a must.

"Accuracy, speed and timing are going to be crucial to our organization if we are going to do the job that the oil industry and the public expect of us," said Costello. "Our partnership with EDS will provide us with the systems management expertise to help ensure we use technology to our best advantage."

Dallas-based EDS has operations in 27 countries and is the leader in providing information technology solutions to customers in a variety of industries. EDS' Energy Division serves the oil, gas, mining, utility, chemical and pharmaceutical industries worldwide and has more than $1 billion in energy

business under contract.

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DEERFIELD, ILL. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Walgreen Co. (NYSE: WAG) achieved its 16th consecutive year of record sales and earnings in fiscal 1990.

Sales for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31 advanced 12.4 percent to $6.05 billion and net earnings increased 13.2 percent to $174,577,000 or $2.83 per share, compared to $2.50 per share last year. The company again reduced selling, occupancy and administration expenses to counteract ongoing competitive pressure on gross margins.

Fourth quarter sales of $1,492,331,000 were up 11.3 percent from last year's $1,341,069,000. Net earnings were $40,401,000 or 65 cents per share for the quarter, compared with $33,713,000 or 54 cents per share last year.

This fiscal year, Walgreens opened 104 drugstores and two RxPress (pharmacy-only) stores; 165 units were remodeled. In October, the company acquired Lee Drug, a nine-unit drugstore chain in New Hampshire and Massachusetts. The Lee stores will be converted to the Walgreen format in early 1991.

"Since 1983, we've improved market share in each of our top 10 markets," said Charles R. Walgreen III, chairman. "We'll continue that strategy of market penetration, with more than 100 new stores slated for fiscal '91. We plan 600 new drugstores over the next five years...we're also looking at new markets."

Pharmacy continues to pace Walgreens sales growth. During the fiscal year, prescription sales advanced 21.3 percent to $2 billion. This marked the ninth consecutive year of 20 percent-plus sales gains for pharmacy, which now comprises 33 percent of overall sales.

"The U.S. prescription market is expected to grow by about $13 billion by 1995 " noted L. Daniel Jorndt, president. "To better serve those patients, we remodeled 131 pharmacy departments this year -- putting in waiting rooms where possible. We'll redo 200 pharmacies in fiscal 1991. We're also rolling out a computerized inventory reorder system to reduce the paperwork our pharmacists do...and testing several new layouts to improve work flow and make pharmacists more accessible to their patients."

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LONDON (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - SCM Chemicals, a unit of Hanson PLC (NYSE: HAN), announced today that production at its Stallingborough, England, titanium dioxide plant will be reduced in January 1991 by 20 percent (or 24,000 tons) to 95,000 tons per annum. This planned reduction in capacity will be made entirely from sulphate-process production. Chloride-process production is scheduled to run at its full rated capacity of 85,000 tons. SCM Chemicals also confirmed that, as announced three years ago, its 34,000 tons per annum sulphate-process plant at Bunbury, Western Australia will be closed at the end of this month. This plant has been replaced there by a new 70,000 tons chloride-process plant.

The changes at Stallingborough are the result of recent European Community environmental regulations requiring producers to decide whether to invest significant capital in their older, less-efficient sulphate-process plants or to reduce or eliminate such production. SCM Chemicals' U.K. plants are in full environmental conformity and will continue to be after the December 1992 EC deadline. The Australian plant closure will fulfill commitments made to the Government of Western Australia when permission was granted for the new Bunbury plant which was commissioned in early 1989. European markets are strong for SCM Chemicals' preferred "chloride" product, while its U.K. based "sulphate" material will continue to serve market needs for specialty anatase and ceramic grades.

After these changes, SCM Chemicals' worldwide 1991 annual capacity will be 316,500 tons of "chloride" and 75,800 tons of "sulphate" titanium dioxide from its seven plants in the United States, the United Kingdom, and Australia. SCM Chemicals is the third largest producer in the world of this essential, non-hazardous opacifying white pigment used widely in the paint, plastics, and paper industries.

Hanson PLC is a British-American industrial management corporation. In the U.S., Hanson Industries' operations include SCM Chemicals, Peabody Coal, Jacuzzi Whirlpool Bath and Spa Products, Grove Crane, Ames Tools, Universal Gym, Endicott Johnson and Frye Footwear, Hanson Lighting Group, Kaiser Cement, Weber Aircraft, Farberware Cookware, and Gold Fields Mining, among others.

In the United Kingdom, Hanson's holdings include Imperial Tobacco, Ever Ready Batteries, ARC Aggregates, London Brick, Butterly Brick, and Smith Meters.

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ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The St. Thomas and San Juan Telephone Company, Inc. announced today that it has hired The First Boston Corporation to evaluate its strategic alternatives, including a possible recapitalization, sale, or merger.

The highly profitable, privately-held company, based in the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico, is an FCC-licensed common carrier that provides digital long distance transmission service between the mainland United States, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico and various Caribbean countries. It is the only telecommunications common carrier, other than AT&T, which can boast a facilities-based network touching all major Caribbean points, as well as the mainland United States.

The First Boston Corporation is a full-service investment bank serving the Americas, with headquarters in New York. It is an operating unit of CS First Boston, Inc.

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METAIRIE, LA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Chemfix Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: CFIX) today reported net earnings of $2 million, or 28 cents per share, on revenues of $25.4 million for fiscal year ended Aug. 31 as compared to $220,000, or 3 cents per share, on revenues of $23.8 million for the prior fiscal year.

Earnings per share for fiscal year were computed on 7,762,874 shares outstanding for 1990 and 6,793,475 shares outstanding for 1989.

The fourth quarter net earnings for the period ended Aug. 31 were $753,632, or 10 cents per share, on revenues of $6.1 million as compared to $170,516 or 2 cents per share, on revenues of $5.6 million for the like period last year. Earnings per share for the fourth quarter were computed on 7,740,016 shares for 1990 and 6,805,467 shares for 1989.

Daniel N. Silverman III, president and chief executive officer, attributed the strong fourth quarter performance to the company's western region oil and gas treatment operations which performed exceptionally well in the fourth quarter. Oil & Gas revenues for the year posted a significant increase from $3.7 million in fiscal year 1989 to $8.6 million in fiscal year 1990.

Silverman further noted that during fiscal year 1990, stockholder's equity increased 88 percent to $10.9 million, from $5.8 million in the prior fiscal year. The exercise of the common stock purchase warrants during the fourth quarter contributed approximately $3 million to equity.

Chemfix Technologies Inc. is an environmental services company that provides analysis and treatment of hazardous and nonhazardous waste materials for industry and government. The Chemfix(R) process chemically fixates and solidifies sewage sludges, oil and gas waste, and other types of sludge, thereby converting them into reusable environmentally safe solid, clay-like materials.

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SOUTHFIELD, MI (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Lear Seating Corporation, a leading producer of automotive seating systems, has completed an agreement with Saab Automobile Company of Sweden for production of complete seating systems for Saab cars.

Kenneth L. Way, chairman, said the agreement with Saab will become effective Jan. 1, 1991, and will include the supply of finished trimmed seating for the Trollhattan and Malmo, Sweden, assembly plants.

Lear Seating Corporation is a leading global supplier of automobile and light truck seating systems and components. In fiscal year 1990, it had almost 40 percent of the North American seating systems market. Worldwide sales totaled $1.3 billion, including joint ventures. Lear is GM's largest seating system supplier in the United States. It has 10,500 employees, including 1,300 in Europe.

In Europe, Lear owns four plants in Germany and France that supply seat frames seat tracks, recliners, headrests, etc. Headquarters of Lear Europe are in Kronberg, Germany. Lear also has a seat system Technical Center for prototype design and development programs. Lear also will expand its research and design efforts in Trollhattan.

Way said Lear's strategy is to become one of the leading suppliers of seats in Europe, and the agreement with Saab will be a major effort in reaching this goal. "This key program gets us off the launching pad," he said.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunex Corporation (NASDAQ: IMNX) today announced that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to an offering of 1.5 million shares of common stock. The First Boston Corporation, Invemed Associates Inc., and Hambrecht

& Quist Inc. will manage the offering. All of the shares being offered for sale are primary shares of the company.

Net proceeds of the offering will be used to fund construction of manufacturing facilities, working capital requirements, expenses associated with the development, clinical testing and marketing of pharmaceutical products, and general corporate purposes.

Immunex is a leading biotechnology firm focused on the research, development, manufacture and marketing of immunological therapeutic products for cancer and autoimmune disease.

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DALLAS (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Software, Inc. (NYSE: SSW) today announced preliminary unaudited financial results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the fourth quarter, the company expects to report revenue and earnings per share before extraordinary gains of at least $56 million and $.26, respectively. This compares with revenue of $49.8 million and earnings per share of $.22 for the fourth quarter of 1989.

For the 1990 fiscal year, Sterling expects to report revenue and earnings per share before extraordinary gains of at least $198 million and $.90, respectively. In 1989, Sterling earned $.73 per share before extraordinary gains on revenue of $180.2 million.

Sterling Software, headquartered in Dallas, specializes in systems and applications software products, and in professional services for the U.S. federal government.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - First Union Corporation (NYSE: FTU FTUpr) today reported $75 million, or 70 cents per common share, in net income applicable to common stockholders for the third quarter of 1990.

This was a 7 percent increase over net income applicable to common stockholders of $71 million, or 66 cents per common share, in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income applicable to common stockholders was $225 million, or $2.09 per common share. In the same period

of 1989, net income applicable to common stockholders was $217 million, or $2.03 per common share.

The operations of First Union National Bank of Florida and Florida National Bank were integrated this quarter, essentially completing the conversion process that began with the purchase accounting acquisition of Florida National on January 29, 1990. With this conversion -- the largest in First Union's history -- branches throughout the First Union network now use standardized products and common procedures. This has laid the groundwork for further efficiencies.

First Union's third quarter average net loans increased 30 percent from a year ago, or 7 percent after adjustment for growth related to the acquisition of Florida National. Since the end of the first quarter of 1990, loan growth has remained essentially flat.

Average deposits in the third quarter of 1990 increased 29 percent from a year ago, and remained flat after adjustment for growth related to Florida National.

Tax-equivalent net interest income, the largest component of First Union's earnings, increased 26 percent to $356 million from $282 million in the third quarter last year. As First Union employees continued to focus on pricing as well as volume of loans and deposits, the net interest margin of 4.16 percent increased from 4.06 percent in the second quarter of 1990; 3.97 percent in the first quarter; and 3.96 percent in the fourth quarter of 1989. The margin also improved from 4.06 percent in the third quarter a year ago. Although effects of a further weakening of the economy could affect the margin, it is currently expected to remain above 4 percent for the rest of 1990.

First Union's third quarter 1990 net charge-offs as a percentage of average net loans were .56 percent on an annualized basis, or $37 million. Excluding Florida National-related net charge-offs of $12 million, net charge-offs were $25 million, or .45 percent. For the third quarter a year ago, First Union's net charge-offs were .31 percent of loans, or $16 million.

In the third quarter of 1990, the loan loss provision was $35 million, compared with $16 million a year ago.

First Union's third quarter 1990 nonperforming assets were $684 million, or 2.55 percent of net loans and foreclosed properties. This was a $68 million increase over the June 30, 1990 amount. Nonaccrual and restructured loans were $554 million at September 30, 1990.

At the end of the third quarter a year ago, First Union had nonperforming assets of $227 million, or 1.09 percent of net loans and foreclosed properties. At the same time a year ago, Florida National had nonperforming assets of $190 million, or 4.36 percent of net loans and foreclosed properties.

Compared with a year ago, First Union's third quarter 1990 noninterest income increased 29 percent, or 4 percent after adjustment for Florida National. The growth came primarily from service charges and income from mortgage banking and capital management.

Common stockholders' equity at September 30, 1990, was $2.243 billion, compared with $2.063 billion a year ago. Total stockholders' equity was $2.560 billion compared with $2.063 billion a year ago.

First Union's other intangible assets increased $13 million from June 30, 1990 as a result of final purchase accounting adjustments related to the Florida National acquisition. A portion of this amount related to an increase in the loan loss allowance, and the balance related to other merger-related accruals.

As of September 30, 1990, First Union Corporation had assets of $39.1 billion and operated 764 statewide banking offices in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, one banking office in Tennessee and 277 nonbanking offices in 36 states.

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STERLING, VA. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Radiation Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: RADS) today announced that the board of directors authorized the Employee Stock Ownership Plan to borrow and the company to guarantee repayment of up to $1 million for the purchase of shares of the company's common stock on the open market.

Richard E. Thomas, chairman and chief executive officer, stated that the board believes that at current prices, RSI's stock is an excellent investment. The company has experienced rapid growth recently, and several large contracts currently in the bid stage give the company reason to expect continued growth. The shares will be used for supplemental ESOP contributions that are necessary due to the recent and anticipated growth of Radiation Systems.

The board has also authorized the company to purchase up to 150,000 additional shares on the open market as conditions warrant. These shares will be placed in Treasury for general corporate purposes, which may include ESOP contributions.

Radiation Systems, Inc. designs, manufactures and installs a broad range of antenna systems for radar, air traffic control, tactical military, satellite earth stations, terrestrial microwave and other specialized uses throughout the world.

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HUNTINGDON VALLEY, PA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthcare Services Group Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HCSG) today reported revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30 1990, of $17,054,000 compared to $14,247,000 for the same 1989 quarter, representing a 20 percent increase.

Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,624,000 or $.31 per share compared to $1,051,000 or $.22 per share for the same 1989 quarter, representing 54 percent and 41 percent increases, respectively.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $48,362,000 compared to $40,848,000 for the same period of 1989, representing an 18 percent increase. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $4,187,000 or $.82 per share compared to $3,009,000 or $.62 per share for 1989, representing 39 percent and 32 percent increases, respectively.

During the third quarter, the company's marketing efforts resulted in additional service agreements with approximately 115 new facilities. A large number of these new facilities were obtained from national chains of nursing homes that the company had been servicing during the second quarter of 1990 under a pilot service program.

During the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company's service agreements with respect to 105 facilities which were part of the 1988 acquisition of American Services Co. were cancelled. Most of these cancellations took place on the last few days of the quarter and became effective Oct. 1, 1990. The company said it believes that these cancellations resulted from changes in control or management of the affected facilities. The cancellation provisions of such agreements were satisfied by assignment to the company and subsequent cancellation of an aggregate of 395,841 outstanding shares of its common stock.

The company is currently servicing approximately 40 facilities that represent the remaining agreements that were part of the company's 1988 acquisition of American Services Co. which now represent less than 10 percent of the company's revenues.

The new service agreements allow the company to immediately replace the revenues lost from the cancelled facilities. The company said it anticipates continued revenue growth by providing its services to national and regional nursing home chains as well as to local facilities.

The company said it believes that it is the largest provider of contractual housekeeping and laundry services to the long-term care industry, rendering as

of Oct. 1, 1990, such services to approximately 425 facilities in 34 states.

HEALTHCARE SERVICES GROUP INC.
Consolidated Statements of Income

Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$48,362,000	$40,848,000
Net income	4,187,000	3,009,000
Earnings per common share	$.82	$.62
Weighted average common shares outstanding	5,098,989	4,880,254
Three months ended Sept. 30	**1990**	**1989**
Revenues	$17,054,000	$14,247,000
Net income	1,624,000	1,051,000
Earnings per common share	$.31	$.22
Weighted average common shares outstanding	5,245,498	4,888,395

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - British Airways (ADS - NYSE: BAB) today issued the Preliminary traffic and capacity statistics for September:

British Airways traffic growth in September remained strong, with passenger traffic in terms of scheduled revenue passenger miles (RPMs) up by 9.3 percent compared with the previous year. Capacity in terms of scheduled available seat miles (ASMs) increased by 10.1 percent, with passenger load factor marginally down at 76.5 percent.

Growth on intercontinental services dominated volume increases, with traffic up by 10.3 percent. Whilst more modest than intercontinental, the 5.4 percent increase in shorthaul traffic was better than the 4.3 percent increase in capacity, producing a 0.8 point increase in passenger seat factor. Total scheduled passengers carried in September increased by 5.7 percent, with cargo traffic up by 10.0 percent compared with the previous year.

For the first half of the financial year, British Airways has achieved buoyant traffic growth. Passenger traffic (RPMs) increased by 12.3 percent in the six months to Sept. 30, 1990. With capacity up by 10.5 percent, scheduled passenger seat factor increased by 1.1 points to 75.0 percent. The number of passengers carried on British Airways scheduled services increased by 10.7 percent in the first half year.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH British Airways announced that it had concluded an agreement with Thomas Cook for the disposal of its "Four Corners"

chain of travel stores. The airline will retain and continue to operate its 10 UK sales and ticketing shops, including the flagship store in London's Regent Street.

A major assault on leisure travel was launched by the airline, aimed at securing a larger share of the booming overseas leisure travel market in the 1990s. It centers on the creation of the "British Airways Leisure Traveller" brand, which will incorporate the existing Speedbird, Poundstretcher and Stopovers programs, and provide a complete range of products and services based on the British Airways scheduled network.

British Airways announced that options on three B757 aircraft are being converted to firm orders. The airline currently operates 36 B757s and has six on order (including the three converted options) plus options on a further five aircraft.

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BOCA RATON, FLA. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - SK Technologies Corporation (NASDAQ: SKTC), announced today that the company has signed a marketing agreement with North American Credit Card Association (NACCA). Pursuant to the agreement, StoreKare, SK's point-of-sale software system, will be marketed by NACCA to merchants and retailers.

The agreement further provides that StoreKare will be the software package of choice that NACCA will recommend to its customer base and NACCA will be responsible for all aspects of marketing and distributing the combined package.

Wade Reece, vice president of NACCA, said the Company had been looking for a point-of-sale system to complement NACCA's services for quite awhile. He further stated that in his opinion, "The StoreKare system far out-performs any of the other systems that we looked at. StoreKare meets our needs and we feel the combined package will give us a leading edge over other companies in our industry.

Randy Selman, president of SK, stated, "This is yet another step towards achieving our strategic goal of aligning ourselves with large and/or rapidly growing companies within our industry niche. NACCA is a rapidly growing firm in the credit card services industry. We are hopeful of being able to derive substantial revenues from this agreement, and in fact, NACCA has already provided us with sales opportunities."

In addition, SK will receive a commission from the use of NACCA's services by customers who are recommended by the SK sales force.

SK Technologies Corporation is a developer and marketer of point-of- sale and data communications software specifically designed for use by fast food and retail operations as well as other franchise businesses.

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SPRINGFIELD, IL (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Springfield-based Marine Corporation (NASDAQ: MCOR) today reported record net income for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the third quarter was a record $3,388,000, up 43.5 percent from the $2,361,000 earned in the comparable 1989 period. Third-quarter earnings per share were 53 cents on 6,395,577 shares outstanding, an increase of 35.9 from 39 cents on 6,027,192 shares outstanding last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, record net income was $8,916,000, an increase of 28 percent over $6,966,000 in the 1989 first nine months. Earnings per share for the 1990 nine months were $1.39 on a larger number of shares outstanding, up 19.8 percent from $1.16 a year earlier.

Willard Bunn III, chairman and chief executive officer, attributed record third-quarter earnings primarily to an increase in net interest income and a 21.3 percent rise in non-interest income.

He said based on nine-month results and the continued buoyant economy in central Illinois, he expects 1990 will be the sixth consecutive year of record income for Marine Corporation.

Non-performing loans, non-accruals and those 90 days past due, as a percent of loans, declined to 0.82 percent on Sept. 30, 1990, from 0.93 percent at June 30, 1990, and 1.22 percent at year end 1989. The reserve for loan losses at the end of the third quarter represented 1.44 percent of loans and 176 percent of non-performing loans.

Bunn noted that management's active efforts to maintain a high level of credit quality have kept loan losses at moderate levels. "The majority of Marine Corporation's loans are made to customers within a one-hour drive from one of our banking offices, an area served by Marine for more than 100 years and one of the most economically stable in the country." There are no foreign loans in the bank's portfolio.

He emphasized that Marine's exposure to speculative real estate lending is minimal. "We don't see signs of the accelerating vacancy rates in residential and commercial properties exhibited in other parts of the country."

Record third-quarter earnings represent a record return on average assets of 1.21 percent, up from the 1990 second-quarter record of 1.09 percent. The ROA for the 1990 nine months was 1.11 percent vs. 1.03 percent in the 1989 nine-month period.

Total assets were $1.130 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $926 million a year earlier.

Bunn said Marine Corporation's primary capital ratio was "a solid 9.61 percent on Sept. 30, 1990."

Marine Corporation is a multibank holding company. It is the parent of Marine Bank of Springfield, Marine Bank of Champaign-Urbana, Marine Bank of Bloomington-Normal, Marine Bank of Monticello, and Marine Investment Management Company, an investment advisor.

MARINE CORPORATION
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
Investments & fed. funds sold	$324,565	$185,721
Loans before reserve	682,240	624,502
Loss reserve	9,847	8,558
Total deposits	983,642	795,951
Total equity capital	99,769	85,117
Total assets	1,130,330	925,594

Periods ended:	Third Quarter		Nine Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net interest income	$11,115	$9,523	$32,269	$28,060
Provision for loan losses	588	660	1,864	1,997
Non-interest income	4,832	3,984	13,711	11,797
Non-interest expense	10,424	9,524	31,243	28,082
Taxes	1,547	962	3,957	2,812
Net income	3,388	2,361	8,916	6,966
Earnings per share	$.53	$.39	$1.39	$1.16
Book value per share	15.60	14.12	15.60	14.12
Avg. shares outstanding	6,396	6,027	6,396	6,027

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 10) PRNEWSWIRE - INB Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: INBF) today reported third quarter net income totaled $14,843,000 or 82 cents per share, fully diluted. This compares to record third quarter 1989 net income

of $15,607,000 or 84 cents per share, fully diluted. Thomas M. Miller, chairman of INB Financial Corporation, noted that return on assets averaged 1.00 percent for the 1990 third quarter while return on average equity was 13.90 percent.

Nonperforming assets totaled $104.6 million on Sept. 30, 1990 versus $108.0 million on June 30, 1990 and $56.1 million on Sept. 30, 1989. Nonperforming assets as a percent of loans and other real estate owned were 2.56 percent on Sept. 30, 1990 and 2.71 percent on June 30, 1990. On Sept. 30, 1990, nonperforming real estate loans totaled $53.5 million, of which $51.8 million were construction and commercial mortgage loans. Reserves as a percent of nonperforming loans were 73.4 percent on Sept. 30, 1990 and 70.6 percent on June 30, 1990. Accruing loans past due 90 days or more totaled $15.3 million on Sept. 30, 1990, which included $9.5 million of U.S. government-guaranteed student loans. On June 30, 1990, accruing loans past due 90 days or more totaled $13.8 million of which $8.5 million were U.S. government-guaranteed student loans.

The allownace for credit losses totaled $75.7 million or 1.85 percent of loans on Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $74.4 million or 1.87 percent of loans on June 30, 1990 and $56.1 million or 1.43 percent of loans on Sept. 30, 1989. Net charge-offs totaled $6.1 million for the 1990 third quarter versus $8.4 million for the same quarter in 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $30,813,000 or $1.69 per share, fully diluted, compared to $44,199,000 or $2.41 per share, fully diluted, for the same period in 1989. During the 1990 second quarter, the corporation strengthened its reserve position with an additional $20.0 million provision for credit losses.

For the 1990 third quarter net interest income on a fully taxable equivalent (FTE) basis totaled $55.8 million and net interest margin was 4.20 percent. This compares favorably to 1990 second quarter net interest income (FTE) of $54.4 million and net interest margin of 4.10 percent. Net interest income (FTE) for the 1989 third quarter totaled $55.7 million and net interest margin was 4.36 percent. For the first nine months of 1990, net interest income (FTE) totaled $167.4 million compared to $166.8 million for the same period in 1989. Net interest margin was 4.23 percent and 4.35 percent for the first nine months of 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Noninterest income, excluding investment securities transactions, increased 4.5 percent and totaled $25.2 million for the 1990 third quarter versus $24.1 million for the 1989 comparable quarter. Service charges on deposit accounts increased 8.1 percent, primarily in personal accounts, while credit card fees were up 6.7 percent and trust fees and commissions increased 6.1 percent. For the first nine months of 1990, noninterest income totaled $75.3 million compared to $73.7 million for the same period in 1989. Investment securities gains were $12,000 for the first nine months of 1990 compared to $1.2 million

for the same period of 1989.

Noninterest expense for the 1990 third quarter totaled $48.8 million, essentially unchanged from the 1990 second quarter. Noninterest expense for the 1989 third quarter totaled $47.4 million. Noninterest expense for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $145.5 million compared to $141.2 million for the same period of 1989. Adjusting for a change in the state tax law effective Jan. 1, 1990, noninterest expense increased 6.3 percent over the 1989 third quarter and 6.6 percent over the first nine months of 1989. The 1990 third quarter included approximately $500,000 of expenses related to the termination of a pending merger agreement.

Total assets on Sept. 30, 1990 were $6.09 billion compared to $5.99 billion a year ago.

Loans totaled $4.09 billion on Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $3.93 billion on the same date in 1989.

Deposits totaled $4.58 billion on Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $4.52 billion on the same date in 1989.

Shareholders' equity totaled $424.2 million on Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $415.5 million on June 30, 1990 and $433.9 million on Sept. 30, 1989. The decrease from one year ago can be attributed to the addition of an Employee Stock Ownership Plan feature to the corporation's existing 401(k) plan in February 1990. As of Sept. 30, 1990 the trustee had completed its acquisition of approximately $33 million of the corporation's common stock.

INB Financial Corporation is a multi-bank holding company based in Indianapolis. The corporation's bank affiliates provide a full range of banking and trust services to individuals, businesses, other institutions and government agencies located primarily in Indiana and the central Midwest. Through its bank-related affiliates, the corporation also provides a diverse portfolio of financial services, including mortgage banking, insurance and brokerage services.

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30	
Financial Highlights	1990	1989
Dollars in thousands, except per share		
Income Statement Summary		
Net interest income (FTE)	$55,750	$55,690
Less tax equivalent adjustment	2,773	2,944
Net interest income	52,977	52,746
Provision for credit losses	7,383	8,909
Noninterest income	25,217	24,832

Noninterest expense	48,772	47,427
Income before income tax expense	22,039	21,242
Income tax expense	7,196	5,635
Net income	$14,843	$15,607
Earnings Per Share		
Primary	$.82	$.86
Fully diluted	.82	.84
Performance Ratios		
Return on average assets	1.00 pct.	1.09 pct.
Return on average equity	13.90	14.41
Net interest margin	4.20	4.36
Average Balances		
Assets	$5,895,205	$5,697,990
Earning assets	5,304,251	5,099,771
Loans	3,989,851	3,872,347
Deposits	4,560,673	4,280,826
Shareholders' equity	423,708	429,715
Shares outstanding:		
Primary	18,272,922	18,168,798
Fully diluted	18,291,212	18,345,095

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
Financial Highlights	1990	1989
Dollars in thousands, except per share		
Income Statement Summary		
Net interest income (FTE)	$167,426	$166,845
Less tax equivalent adjustment	8,623	9,331
Net interest income	158,803	157,514
Provision for credit losses	45,070	30,250
Noninterest income	75,307	73,742
Noninterest expense	145,537	141,157
Income before income tax expense	43,503	59,849
Income tax expense	12,690	15,650
Net income	$30,813	$44,199
Earnings Per Share		
Primary	$1.70	2.44
Fully diluted	$1.69	2.41
Performance Ratios		
Return on average assets	.70 pct.	1.03 pct.
Return on average equity	9.48	14.07
Net interest margin	4.23	4.35
Average Balances		
Assets	$5,875,240	$5,714,974
Earning assets	5,284,421	5,116,626

Loans	3,957,342	3,895,290
Deposits	4,540,547	4,314,611
Shareholders' equity	434,603	420,082
Shares outstanding:		
Primary	18,228,971	18,124,892
Fully diluted	18,264,202	18,302,903
On Sept. 30		
Assets	$6,087,110	$5,994,231
Loans	4,090,026	3,932,529
Deposits	4,581,631	4,515,016
Shareholders' equity	424,248	433,930
Allowance for credit losses	75,736	56,053
Book value per share	23.21	23.87
Shares Outstanding	18,277,391	18,178,665

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BETHESDA, MD (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Martin Marietta Corporation (NYSE: ML) has received a contract valued at up to $37 million from McDonnell Douglas Corporation (NYSE: MD) to produce lightweight graphite composite tail cones for the U.S. Air Force's new C-17 transport aircraft.

The structures, which will be produced by Martin Marietta Aero & Naval Systems at Baltimore, employ a combination of advanced materials that provide great strength along with significant weight savings.

The C-17 project represents continued aerostructure work at Martin Marietta Aero & Naval Systems, which has produced sections of the Air Force's B-1B bomber and continues to produce jet engine thrust reversers for commercial airliners.

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DALLAS (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Fina Oil and Chemical Company has agreed to buy nine existing retail gasoline stations in Plano, Allen, and McKinney, Texas from Young Oil Company and Cedar Crest Investments for an undisclosed amount, according to Henry J. Lartique Jr., Fina's vice president for marketing.

"With this purchase, we expect Fina to become the number two marketer in the

North Dallas area in terms of volume," said Lartique. "The purchase represents our first move into the Allen and McKinney markets, and the stations we plan to buy in Plano will further strengthen our position there."

Fina currently owns and operates 41 gasoline stations in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex, in addition to 195 distributor served Fina branded stations. The nine new properties, which are currently branded Shell stations, will all be converted to the Fina brand and will be operated by Fina.

Lartique said the stations will undergo a $4.7 million upgrading, with many of the stations being razed and rebuilt.

Each of the new Fina stations will feature a full-line convenience store and car wash, and will look similar to Fina's flagship station at the intersection of Preston and Frankford in North Dallas.

Many of the stations also will feature Fina's popular touch-free car wash, which can accommodate oversized vehicles, such as Suburbans and vans, as well as family sedans.

Lartique said it will take three months from the time a station is closed to the time the upgrading work is completed and the station is reopened. All stations are scheduled to be reopened by March 31, 1991.

Each station will sell Fina's unleaded regular, mid-grade, and premium-grade Genesis gasolines, which contain a second generation proprietary additive that cleans dirty engines, allowing more efficient fuel burning with fewer air emissions and increased mileage. In addition, the stations situated on North Central Expressway will offer diesel.

The sale of each station is pending completion of an environmental assessment. Completion of all the purchases is expected by the end of the year. Some of the construction will begin this year.

Fina Oil and Chemical Company, the main operating subsidiary of American Petrofina, Incorporated (AMEX: APIA), engages in crude oil and natural gas exploration, production, and marketing; petroleum products refining, transportation, and marketing; and chemicals manufacturing and marketing.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Western Company of North America (NYSE: WSN) announced today that its wholly-owned subsidiary Western Oceanic, Inc. has purchased for $12.5 million the 50 percent interest of Exxon Corporation (NYSE: XON) in North Star Drilling Company, a limited partnership, which owns

the semisubmersible drilling rig Alaskan Star. Upon dissolution of the partnership Western Oceanic will become the sole owner of the Alaskan Star.

Since 1976, Western has operated the Alaskan Star, as general partner of North Star Drilling Company, offshore Alaska, Brazil, the United States East Coast, and in the Gulf of Mexico. The rig is currently working offshore West Africa for Elf Aquitaine Angola.

The Western Company of North America is an oilfield service company providing pressure pumping services through Western Petroleum Services and Western Petroleum Services International Company and contract drilling services worldwide through Western Oceanic, Inc. Pressure pumping principally involves the acidizing, fracturing and cementing of oil and gas wells. Offshore contract drilling services are provided with a fleet of 13 mobile rigs.

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert H. McLean, chairman of the board and president of Buffton Corporation (AMEX: BFX), announced today that the company's aircraft instrumentation subsidiary, B&D Instruments and Avionics, Inc., has received Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") approval of its recently designed Cockpit Voice Recorder.

In making the announcement, McLean stated, "Federal aviation regulations now mandate that all aircraft seating six or more passengers and requiring two pilots be equipped with an approved cockpit voice recorder by Oct. 11, 1991. At the time of adoption of this regulation, the FAA estimated that approximately 6,000 aircraft would be affected. Our Cockpit Voice Recorder was designed to service this retrofit market, as well as the new aircraft market."

McLean further stated, "B&D Instruments and Avionics, Inc.'s Cockpit Voice Recorder is the lightest and least expensive cockpit voice recorder available to the market. With FAA approval now in hand, B&D is beginning to fill its backlog of orders for the CVR. The company anticipates a significantly favorable impact on the profitability of B&D should it meet its sales forecasts for the Cockpit Voice Recorder."

Buffton Corporation is a diversified group of companies engaged in the manufacture of avionic, electronic, and plastic products.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Coopers & Lybrand announces the following partners:

Linda Xanthos, managing partner of the Actuarial Benefits Compensation Consulting Practice; Mary Ann Cloyd, tax partner, specializing in corporate & individual taxation; Philip Straus, tax partner, specializing in the entertainment & real estate industries; Bob Harper, West Region director of Human Resources, Todd Gelfand, general practice partner, specializing in business management; Alan Lewis, tax partner, specializing in business management; Chuck Gabbert, management consulting services, health care partner; John Kane, management consulting services, information technology partner; Steve Smith, management consulting services, health care partner.

A leading worldwide accounting, tax, management and benefits consulting firm, Coopers & Lybrand provides solutions for businesses in a wide variety of industries. The firm offers its clients the expertise of more than 16,000 professionals in 98 U.S. cities and 61,000 people in over 104 countries worldwide.

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GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company and the Boy Scouts of America have teamed up to offer something never done before -- home energy conservation audits, conducted by Boy Scouts with special training.

Working together, the Grand Rapids-based West Michigan Shores Council of the Boy Scouts of America and Consumers Power recently provided energy conservation training to more than 3,000 Boy Scouts, ages 11 to 17. Eleven hundred Scouts at Camp Gerber received training that included fundamental energy conservation principles, including how to block door and window drafts, how to turn down a water heater thermostat, and how to determine adequate home insulation.

Each Boy Scout will conduct at least two home energy audits, in addition to writing a 500-word essay on energy conservation, as part of his work toward earning an Energy Merit Badge. The Boy Scouts represent 100 separate troops in 12 counties which comprise the West Michigan Shores Council.

"Teaching Scouts the importance of conserving energy, and in turn, training Scouts to provide conservation tips to others, is part of our overall stewardship of the environment," said Paul Bongiovanni, director of finance and public relations for the West Michigan Shores Council.

"We are pleased to join with the Boy Scouts of America in this unique project. Providing solid information on wise energy use is an important objective of Consumers Power Company," said Frederick W. Buckman, the utility's president and chief operating officer, himself a former Boy Scout.

Scouts conduct the audit as part of a community service project developed by their troop. Following a review of energy conservation principles by troop leaders, Scouts contact relatives, neighbors and other interested persons to schedule a home audit. Homeowners requesting additional energy conservation information are referred to Consumers Power Company.

Customers who participate in the Scout audit program will receive a free energy conservation kit. Scouts participating in the program will receive a decal and letter from Consumers Power upon completion of two audits.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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BRIDGEPORT, CONN. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Remington Products, Inc., today announced that fall-season sales of its men's and ladies' shavers, grooming products and travel aids have exceeded company forecasts and that steps have been taken to increase production.

The company said it was trying to arrange additional deliveries of materials from its domestic suppliers in an effort to meet the unexpectedly heavy demand and that its factory in Bridgeport, Conn., is operating 56 hours per week on a six-day schedule to fill orders from its retail customers.

"Our U.S. suppliers have had to react quickly to help us maintain this rapid rate of growth," said Bruce Gold, Remington's vice president and general manager.

The fall season, in anticipation of holiday gift giving, is Remington's busiest.

Remington, whose global sales increased 500 percent between 1980 and 1989, is also enjoying a excellent year abroad, the company reported, with record sales in the U.K., Japan, Australia, New Zealand, the Philippines, Singapore, China, Hong Kong, Thailand, Indonesia, Uruguay, Chile, Mexico, Colombia, Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, Hungary, Poland, Saudi Arabia, Lebanon, Morocco and Qatar.

"Our export success is testament to the quality and productivity of our U.S. workforce," Gold said. "We expect further growth worldwide from our core product line of men's and women's shavers, and are delighted with the positive balance of trade that these products provide for our country."

Bridgeport-based Remington, the only electric shaver manufacturer in the United States, sells men's and ladies' models starting at $19.99, value priced for the current economic environment.

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#90283p3201 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10,) PR NEWSWIRE - Marriott Corporation (NYSE: MHS) said today that it had agreed to sell its Chicago area Wags restaurants to Chicago-based Lunan Family Restaurants, Inc. Terms were not disclosed.

Marriott said the sale, which is expected to close in the next few months, was in keeping with its previously announced strategy to exit the family restaurant business and concentrate on lodging and contract services. The agreement covers 29 existing Wags units and one undeveloped site, all of which are in the Chicago area. Marriott acquired Wags in 1988.

Lunan Family Restaurants is headed by Michael Schulson, chief executive officer, and Robert Blessing, chief operating officer. The company, a franchisee of Shoney's, Inc., has agreed to convert the Wags locations to Shoney's within three years and to build a 30th restaurant on the undeveloped site.

Marriott said that negotiations are continuing on the sale of its remaining family restaurants. The company expects to complete those sales sometime in 1991.

Marriott Corporation is a diversified hospitality company involved in lodging and contract services.

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#90283p3208 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Gwinnett Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: GBSI), parent company of Gwinnett Federal Bank, FSB, Lawrenceville, Ga., had income of $497,000 or 30 cents per share, for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, a 9 percent increase compared with $458,000 a year earlier.

For the first six months, Gwinnett Bancshares had net income of $1,100,000 or 56 cents per share, a 15 percent increase compared with $953,000 for the same period last year. There is no comparable per share data prior to May 1990 when the bank converted from a mutual to a stock-owned corporation. Total assets were $273.6 million, up 14 percent from $239.0 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

Gwinnett Bancshares' President James F. Pack said: "We are extremely pleased with our 15 percent increase in earnings despite a weakening economy and additions to our loan loss reserves. The strong earnings are the result of improvement in interest margin and continued diversification."

Gwinnett Federal was established in 1931 and has seven offices in Gwinnett County.

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#90283p3212 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODLAND HILLS, CALIF. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Brajdas Corp. (NASDAQ: BRJS) today reported significant reductions in the magnitude of its losses despite lower sales volumes in its second fiscal quarter and first half.

For the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, the company's net loss was reduced to $61,638, or $.02 per share, from a net loss of $422,930, or $.15 per share, for the corresponding second quarter a year ago.

Sales for the current second quarter were $11,963,850 compared with $15,904,600 for the fiscal 1990 second period.

For the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, Brajdas' net loss equalled $180,702, or $.06 per share, on sales of $24,275,603. In the year-earlier first half, Brajdas incurred a net loss of $416,402, or $.14 per share, on sales of $31,546,873.

Allan Klein, corporate vice president, operations and administration, attributed the quarter's results to an improvement in gross profit margins and lower interest costs. He noted that the lessened loss picture was an improvement over the most recent first quarter results, as well.

"The cumulative success of our efforts to reduce overhead and curtail sales of products that do not afford acceptable profit margins is reflected in the improved results we produced this quarter," Klein said. "The outlook for the electronics industry remains tough, as evidenced by our lower sales volume and reports of layoffs and reduced earnings among our customers. Consequently, we will continue to maintain our scaled back profile in an effort to restore

Brajdas to profitability."

Brajdas Corp. is primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of electronic components through its principal division, Cypress Electronics, which is based in Santa Clara, Calif.

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#90283p3215 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST PALM BEACH, FLA. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Humana Hospital-Palm Beaches will celebrate the opening of its $1.5-million expanded Cardiac Care Unit with a heart-healthy lunch for leaders of the Zipper Club and the Humana Seniors Association (SM) at noon on Friday, Oct. 12, at the hospital, 2201 45 St., West Palm Beach.

The Zipper Club is a support group for open-heart surgery patients. Humana Hospital-Palm Beaches recently agreed to host all regular meetings of the Zipper Club.

The Critical Care Unit provides intensive care for patients with acute heart disease, including those who are stricken with heart attacks, congestive heart failure and pulmonary edema.

"In the winter, there are times when critical care beds are at capacity," said Ruth Schwarzkopf, nursing director. "Our expanded Cardiac Care Unit is an important resource we can now offer to our community."

The expanded unit will offer advanced technology, including the modern Hewlett-Packard monitoring system. The unit's high-tech Stryker beds can weigh patients, accommodate fluoroscopy without the need of moving patients, and convert into "cardiac chairs" that prevent overloading of the circulatory system. The unit will also utilize recent medication advances, including, when needed, Tissue Plasmogen Activator (TPA), Streptokinase and other cardiac medications.

Planning, design and construction of the expanded unit took two years. The 10-bed unit will employ 20 health professionals. A team of independent cardiologists, led by Chief of Staff Mike Ravitsky, D.O., and Cardiac Care Committee Chairman Dennis Hanney, D.O., will offer advanced medical care.

The hospital is also working to prevent heart disease with important community health programs. The Humana Seniors Association, a national nonprofit organization devoted to meeting the needs of those 55 and up, co-sponsors a fitness walking program at Palm Beach Mall with the American Heart Association Palm Beach Division.

After a tour of the new unit, Zeff Ross, executive director of Humana Hospital-Palm Beaches, will present a $500 check to Francis J. McMahon, chairman of the board, American Heart Association, Palm Beach Region. The hospital plans to expand educational programs on heart disease and offer a wellness program for employees called "Heart Smart."

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#90283p3217 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The global competitive battle of the 1990s, "the toughest business decade in history," will be fought in the office, said Richard W. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer of Wang Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: WAN). "Improving the effectiveness of office workers is the key productivity challenge of the 1990s, and will require a radical reorganization in the way work is done in offices," he said.

"Integrated image processing -- the ability to integrate images with voice, data and text -- can give us the strength we need to raise the paper anchor on productivity. With it, we can revolutionize the office. Without it, too many resources -- too many people -- will continue to spend too much time chasing information instead of using it," Miller said in a keynote address at the Imaging '90 Conference in New York today.

Miller said the problem of sagging U.S. productivity "lies in the office -- with government, the financial and professional service industries and the manufacturing sector being the prime victims. In these areas, there have been virtually no productivity improvements in well over a decade."

Citing several examples, Miller said that:

-- In the U.S. alone, about $100 billion is spent on paperwork each year;

-- The average executive -- at a six-figure annual salary -- spends three hours a week looking for lost information;

-- 75 percent of all phone calls miss their target;
-- 95 percent of all business information is still on paper and locked out of corporate information management systems.

The good news, according to Miller, is that the technology necessary to help fuel productivity gains in the typical office of the '90s is now available. Integrated imaging offers the promise of dramatic productivity improvements, he said.

The gains made on the shop floor in the '70s and '80s can serve as an example for current white-collar environments, Miller asserted. Such techniques as total quality, reduced cycle times, autonomous work teams, delayering of organizations, broadening of job content and training, supplemented by improved technology nad increased automation, were causes of such productivity gains.

"And so it will be in the office," Miller said. "Before we can take a quantum leap forward in productivity, we must first create and deliver a new, a different understanding of how to change workflow, integrate document management and build business process applications around customer needs," Miller said.

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#90283p3220 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREEN VALLEY, CALIF. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Brush Creek Mining and Development Co. Inc. (the "Company") (NASDAQ: BCMD) announced today that its indicated gold reserves are estimated to be in excess of 700,000 ounces for those four mines for which previous data was available. By limiting the projected oreshoot projections at depths strictly to the depth of the deepest actual working known in the area, the gold mineral potential is well in excess of 6,000,000 ounces as an estimate.

At all these mines production was discontinued for external reasons, generally as a consequence of the 1942 War Production Order L-208. The real potential of the gold bearing veins, which are all open at depth and along strike, have remained mostly unexplored until now.

It should be noted that in all the mines the company controls, $20 million of development work has been expended by previous operators and the company. This figure is today's cost to properly develop the same underground infrastructure.

The company also announced that effective Oct. 16, 1990, it will appear daily in The Wall Street Journal under the heading, "NASDAQ Bid & Asked Quotations," and The New York Times under the heading, "NASDAQ Supplemental List." In addition, the company will continue to appear daily in Investor's Daily and weekly in Barron's.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - National City Corporation (NYSE: NCC) today announced that Paul R. Cowgill has been elected chief investment officer of its Florida affiliate, National City Trust Company.

Richard E. Beeman, chairman of National City Trust, said, "Paul Cowgill adds a depth of experience to our capabilities in Florida. With Cowgill's 20 years of trust portfolio management experience we can continue to provide quality service to our customers who have relocated to Florida from Ohio and Kentucky." Beeman explained, "Trust services are a growth business in Florida and the three offices of National City Trust Company are well positioned to service that market."

Cowgill, who will be assigned to the Naples office, joined National City Bank, Cleveland, in 1971 as a vice president in the trust investment division. In 1986, he was promoted to senior trust investment officer and was responsible for the management of more than 400 personal trust portfolios.

A native Ohioan, Cowgill and his wife Elaine will be moving to Naples Nov. 1, 1990. Cowgill received his B.A. from Ohio State University and an M.B.A. from the University of Cincinnati.

Cowgill has been an active member of the Cleveland community. His current and past memberships include Cleveland Society of Security Analysts, Downtown Cleveland Toastmasters, North Olmsted Republican Club and the John Knox Presbyterian Church.

"Because of Cowgill's long-standing Midwest trust relationships, he will continue to manage many of them from Florida," Beeman added. "And now Midwesterners who have moved to Florida can enjoy the service they have become accustomed to in the past."

In addition to the election of Cowgill, Ellen J. Abrams was promoted to vice president and senior trust officer at West Palm Beach, and Donald A. Jones was appointed manager of the Naples office.

Established in 1982, National City Trust Company has account assets of over $110 million and has offices in West Palm Beach, Naples and Vero Beach for the convenience of former Midwest residents who have relocated to Florida.

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VINEYARD, UTAH (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Geneva Steel (NYSE,PSE: GNV) announced today that it has filed a registration statement with respect to a public

offering of 2,325,000 shares of Geneva's Class A common stock. All of the shares are being sold by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Benefit Capital Management Corporation and Boettcher & Company, Inc., as selling stockholders. The selling stockholders have granted the underwriters an option for 30 days to purchase up to an additional 211,781 shares solely to cover over- allotments.

Neither Geneva nor its management will sell shares in the offering and Geneva will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of shares in the offering.

Geneva owns the only integrated steel mill operating west of the Mississippi River and manufactures hot-rolled sheet, plate and other steel products for sale primarily in the western and central United States.

The offering is being managed by Merrill Lynch Capital Markets, PaineWebber Incorporated and Salomon Brothers, Inc.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation of sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state. Copies of the prospectus for the offering may be obtained from any of the underwriters named above.

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ORLANDO, FLA. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Public opinion research by a nationally known independent research organization indicates that Orlando seniors who joined the Humana Gold Plus Plan, a Medicare HMO plan, are overwhelmingly satisfied with their health care coverage.

"We are pleased that the Gold Plus Plan is meeting its potential to expand access to health care to thousands of seniors who would otherwise be unable to afford the care they need and deserve," said David Laird, vice president of market operations for Humana in Central Florida.

The report suggests that elderly consumers believe the Humana Gold Plus Plan saves them money while meeting their health care needs. Gold Plus offers full medical coverage at little or no charge to Medicare beneficiaries.

The study results included the following:

-- Of the sample, 82 percent indicated they were satisfied or very satisfied with the plan.

-- The predominant reason for becoming a member of the Gold Plus Plan cited by those surveyed was the low cost offered by the plan. Other reasons for joining included "good plan benefits" and "better benefits than Medicare."

-- Of those sampled who had used a Humana hospital, 94 percent were satisfied or very satisfied with the hospital care they received.

-- Of those surveyed, 92 percent said they would recommend the Gold Plus Plan to family and friends.

The Humana Gold Plus Plan, which has been available in Central Florida since 1990, currently serves 10,000 area seniors. Humana offers a wide variety of high-quality, low-cost health plans, including a Medicare supplement program, called the Humana Gold Plan, and commercial health plans. Humana also operates three hospitals in the area: Humana Hospital-Lucerne, Humana Hospital-Kissimmee and Humana Hospital-Daytona Beach.

The research was conducted by telephone on a random sample of 400 Gold Plus Plan members during June, 1990.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc., (NASDAQ: NCTI) a world leader in active noise and vibration abatement, today announced its completion of recently announced contractual arrangements with three major international corporations for developmental projects in the areas of aircraft quieting, specialty industrial mufflers and fan noise quieting. The contracts have an aggregate value of $1.2 million of which $0.5 million will be realized in 1990.

Each contract provides for substantial follow-on funding once the initial milestones are met; the milestones are expected to be reached by second quarter 1991. It is the intent of each corporation to proceed to commercial product with the resultant production prototypes.

Michael Parrella, NCT president, noted: "These three agreements, each with a multi-billion dollar corporation, represents a substantial confirmation of NCT's patented technology by recognized international businesses having a broad array of product applications."

In addition to the initial $1.2 million the estimated value of the follow-on

portions of these three contracts is $3 million in annual development funding and $50 million in NCT annual product sales within a five year period. These projections do not include any other contract revenues or any transportation sector revenues such as those that would be generated by the existing automotive muffler joint venture between NCT and Tenneco's Walker Division.

Beyond noise and vibration attenuation, NCT's products deliver the additional benefit of improved fuel economy and performance which provide important competitive advantages to the major corporations with whom NCT is partnered.

Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc., a publicly traded company whose common stock is traded on NASDAQ is headquartered in New York City with research and development facilities in Linthicum, Md. (USA), and a European base in Cambridge, U.K.

CONTACT: Cy Hammond of Noise Cancellation Technologies, 212-560-1275, or Jordan Chanofsky of Technology Solutions, 212-505-9900 for Noise Cancellation Technologies

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#90283p3232 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

FRESNO, CALIF. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Gottschalks Inc. (NYSE: GOT) announced that September 1990 sales increased 19.9 percent to $23.6 million from $19.7 million during the prior year September sales levels. Same store sales for the September period increased 7.4 percent. For the thirty-five-week 1990 period to date, total sales increased 24.1 percent to $157.8 million from $127.1 million for the year earlier thirty-five-week period. Same store sales on a year-to-date basis increased 11.2 percent over the prior year.

"September sales results were very close to plan," stated Robert Lawson, chief financial officer. "Given the calendar change and the resulting event moves from September, we're anticipating a strong October. We should achieve our planned sales of approximately $63.5 million for the third quarter given our continued strong sales results from new stores in Capitola and Palmdale. We also believe we will see some resurgence in sales during October on a comparative basis as we anniversary the 1989 earthquake," added Lawson.

Gottschalks is a regional department store chain, currently operating 22 department stores and 32 specialty apparel stores in the Central Valley and Central Coast areas of California. Gottschalks offers moderate to upper moderately priced brand-name fashion merchandise, and is in its 86th year of continuous family management.

CONTACT: Robert Lawson of Gottschalks, 209-485-1111

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#90283p3233 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, COLO. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Williams Controls Inc. (NASDAQ: WMCO) announced today that it has extended the expiration date of its outstanding, publicly-traded warrants (OTC: WMCOw) from 5 p.m. (Mountain time) Oct. 26, 1990 to 5 p.m. (Mountain time) April 26, 1991. The warrants were issued in connection with the initial public offering of Williams Controls which was completed in November 1989. Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of Williams Controls common stock for $1.05 per share.

Williams Controls manufactures and sells a wide range of pneumatic, electronic and hydraulic controls for the truck, bus, mining, construction and refuse collection markets. Its product lines include approximately 250 different pneumatic products as well as specialized electronic and hydraulic products which are sold nationwide and in foreign countries.

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#90283p3234 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - First Wachovia Corporation's (NYSE: FW) net income per share fully diluted for the third quarter of 1990 was $1.07, a 16.3 percent increase from $.92 in the same period of last year, according to John G. Medlin Jr., chief executive officer.

Net income for the quarter was $75.4 million compared with $64.7 million in the prior year and, on an annualized basis, represented returns of 16.4 percent on shareholders' equity and 1.25 percent on assets.

For the first nine months, net income per share fully diluted was $3.14, a 10.7 percent increase from the $2.84 earned in the prior year. Net income for the year to date totaled $221.9 million compared with $199.9 million in 1989 and produced returns of 16.5 percent on equity and 1.25 percent on assets.

Major contributors to the earnings gains were good growth in loans and other income combined with excellent control of noninterest expense, Medlin said.

Average interest-earning assets rose $1.185 billion or 6 percent for the third quarter and $1.490 billion or 7.8 percent for the nine months in comparison with 1989 periods. Loans grew $945 million or 6.4 percent for the quarter and $1.178 billion or 8.2 percent for the year to date.

Taxable equivalent net interest income was up $19.1 million or 9.2 percent for the quarter and $32.9 million or 5.1 percent for the first nine months. Other income grew 9.9 percent for the quarter and 12.8 percent for the nine months, while noninterest expense rose 3.4 percent and 3.5 percent for the respective periods.

The provision for loan losses was $18.4 million for the third quarter and $58.5 million for the year to date in contrast with $14.3 million and $43.3 million for the comparable periods of 1989. Net credit charge-offs were $16.1 million for the quarter and $45.4 million for the first nine months.

At September 30, nonperforming assets totaled $137 million or .84 percent of total loans and foreclosed real estate. The allowance for loan losses was $180 million and represented 1.11 percent of total loans and 1.32 times nonperforming assets. The corporation's ratio of equity capital to total assets was 7.61 percent, one of the strongest among major banking companies in the country.

CONTACT: (Media) Nancy P. Lovelace, 919-770-5696, or (Analysts) Graham P. Dozier III, 919-770-5926, or James C. Mabry, 919-770-5788, all of First Wachovia Corporation

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#90283p3239 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Construction costs for the fourth quarter 1990 will steepen according to a forecast released today by the The Turner Corporation (AMEX: TUR), the nation's leading general builder.

According to the Turner Building Cost Index, fourth-quarter construction costs will increase 1.4 percent to 449, six points above the predicted level for the third quarter of 1990. Compared to fourth quarter 1989, construction costs for the fourth quarter of this year are 3.9 percent higher, up from 432 points.

"The six-point change reflects our initial reaction to the political turmoil which started on Aug. 2 in the Persian Gulf," commented Leslie V. Shute, Turner group vice president responsible for calculating the Turner Building Cost Index. "The rise is due principally to increased material costs of petroleum-based products such as roofing and waterproofing materials, combined with the increase in fuel costs, which affects virtually all sectors in the construction industry."

Turner has made its quarterly forecast for more than 50 years. Used widely by the construction industry and federal and state governments, the building costs and price trends tracked by the Turner Building Cost Index may or may not reflect regional conditions in any given quarter. In fact, regional conditions often vary from composite trends.

Based in New York City, The Turner Corporation, through Turner Construction Company and other construction subsidiaries, is the nation's largest builder of commercial, industrial, hospital and health care, institutional, government building and multi-unit housing projects. Operating through more than 34 offices, Turner has construction projects under way throughout the United States and abroad.

During 1989, The Turner Corporation completed $3.6 billion of construction.

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#90283p3241 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAUPPPAUGE, N.Y. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - KNOGO Corporation (NYSE: KNO) today reported a 29 percent increase in revenues for the second quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Aug. 31, 1990 or $18,096,000, as compared with revenues of $14,010,000 in the similar period of the prior year. A net profit of $130,000 ($.02 per share) for the same period was reported, versus a net loss of $1,077,000 ($.21 per share) from the three months ended Aug. 31, 1989.

Revenues increased for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, to $35,917,000 up from $32,329,000 in the comparable period. Net income for the first six months amounted to $754,000 ($.14 per share), versus net income of $332,000 ($.06 per share) in the similar period of the previous year.

According to management, the revenue increase during the second quarter of fiscal 1991 as compared to fiscal 1990 is due to the continued strong demand for all the company's products, particularly its Chameleon system utilized in the protection of hard goods.

Worldwide bookings for the first six months of fiscal 1991 totalled $53.4 million, up $7.9 million from a year ago, with domestic bookings reflecting a substantial increase of 32.4 percent from the comparable period of a year ago.

Worldwide backlog was reported at an all-time high slightly in excess of $30.1 million, up from $20.0 million as at May 31, 1990. Management anticipates a major portion of this backlog to be translated into revenues during the balance of this current fiscal year.

KNOGO Corporation, founder of the Electronic Article Surveillance (EAS) industry in 1966, is the world's technological leader in the design and manufacture of anti-theft systems for retailers and industry. Its Radio Frequency (RF) and Micro-Magnetic (MM) systems protect retail merchandise and business assets. KNOGO's Jensen Data Displayer, when used with KNOGO's Surveillor Closed Circuit Video Systems (CCVS), protects retailers against internal shrinkage by recording point-of-sale transactions onto permanent videocassettes making a duplicate of the transaction receipt onto a video record.

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#90283p3245 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIDDLEBURY, Conn. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Uniroyal Chemical Acquisition Corporation (UCAC), an indirect parent corporation of Uniroyal Chemical Company, Inc. (Uniroyal Chemical), today notified the trustees of UCAC's 13.5 percent Senior Subordinated Notes Due 1997 and 14.25 percent Subordinated Notes Due 1998 that it has elected to pay its next semi-annual interest payment due Nov. 1, 1990 all in cash without the issuance of any Payment-in-Kind (PIK) notes.

This interest payment will be made to noteholders of record on Oct. 15, 1990.

Under the indentures governing the Senior Subordinated Notes and the Subordinated Notes, UCAC may elect to pay any semi-annual interest payment all in cash, at the rate of 13.5 percent per annum and 14.25 percent per annum, respectively, or partially in cash at the rate of 11.5 percent per annum and 12.25 percent per annum and partially in PIK notes with a principal amount at the rate of 2.4 percent per annum, respectively.

By not having to issue additional PIK notes, UCAC effectively reduces the interest payment by 0.4 percent per annum and benefits from the avoidance of compounding interest on the PIK notes in the future, a UCAC spokesperson said.

Uniroyal Chemical is a leading worldwide producer of specialty chemicals and high performance polymers serving the rubber, plastics, petroleum, paint and coatings, adhesives and sealants, electronics and crop protection markets.

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#90283p3246 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
MORRIS TOWNSHIP, N.J. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied-Signal Aerospace Company has been selected by Delta Airlines to supply wheels and brakes for Delta's new fleet of Boeing 737-300 aircraft.

Allied-Signal's Bendix Wheels and Brakes Division will supply main wheels, brakes and nose wheels produced in South Bend, Indiana for a total of 185 of the aircraft, including 118 now on order or option. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Bendix Wheels and Brakes Division is one of the leading worldwide producers of commercial and military aircraft landing systems.

Allied-Signal Aerospace Company is a unit of Allied-Signal Inc., an advanced technology company with business in aerospace, automotive products and engineered materials.

CONTACT: John V. Alexander, 213-512-1656, or M. J. Ascolese, 201-455-4674, both of Allied-Signal

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#90283p3250 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANHATTAN BEACH, CA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Fairchild Space & Defense Corporation has announced that Larry M. Calvert will join the corporation as president and general manager of Fairchild Controls.

He will report to Richard E. Brackeen, chairman and chief executive officer of the corporation.

Calvert, 50, had been general manager of Parker Hannifin Corporation in Irvine Calif. Calvert spent more than 23 years with Bertea/Parker Hannifin. He joined what was then the Bertea Corporation in Irvine, Calif., as a precision machinist in 1967, and served in progressively more responsible key management positions, the most recent of which included marketing manager in Seattle; plant manager in Ogden, Utah; and general manager in Irvine, from 1987 to the present.

Calvert was awarded a bachelor of arts degree from California State University in Fullerton in 1973. He is married and has two children.

Fairchild Controls specializes in the design, development, manufacturing, and testing of valves, quick disconnects, regulators and subsystems for aerospace applications, and is a leader in providing innovative solutions to the requirements of fluid control in space and aerospace systems. Fairchild Space & Defense Corporation, a member of the Matra Group, is a U.S. space and defense electronics company based in Germantown, Md. The company with a workforce of 2,000, has annual revenues of approximately $230 million. Matra, headquartered in Paris, is an internationally diversified company with annual revenues in 1989 of approximately $3.6 billion.

CONTACT: Jan P. Timmons of Fairchild Space & Defense Corporation, 301-353-1777

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#90283p3253 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The first Airborne Warning and Control System (Systeme de Detection Aeroporte) that will serve with the Republic of France Air Force arrived today at Le Bourget airfield near Paris, Boeing Aerospace & Electronics announced. After being outfitted with mission equipment and tested, it will be the first of four AWACS scheduled for delivery to France beginning next spring.

Its AWACS aircraft will provide France with increased airborne surveillance capability, as well as improved command/control/communication within its

military forces.

The aircraft that arrived at Le Bourget, designated E-3F, was flown to France from Seattle non-stop by a crew from Boeing, accompanied by a French Air Force flight crew. AWACS is produced by Boeing Defense & Space Group, Aerospace & Electronics Division.

The aircraft will be outfitted with mission equipment by a team from Boeing and the French company UTA, which is located at Le Bourget.

This team will install the radars, computers, consoles and communications equipment that make AWACS the premiere airborne early warning system. Flight testing of this equipment will begin next winter at Avord Air Force Base southeast of Paris, with final acceptance testing during the spring.

UTA will assume the major role in the installation and checkout of mission equipment for the remainder of the French AWACS aircraft, using a cadre of UTA employees who trained at Boeing for this purpose.

Delivery of all four French AWACS will take place at Avord, and will be complete before the end of 1991.

In addition to the French planes, Boeing is producing seven AWACS for the United Kingdom, with deliveries also scheduled to begin next spring.

Boeing has built 57 AWACS for the U.S., NATO and Saudi Arabia. Elements of these fleets are playing an important surveillance role in the current Middle East crisis.

CONTACT: Don Brannon of Boeing, 206-773-2816

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#90283p3264 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Avon Products Inc. (NYSE: AVP) has received $40 million plus interest for a note taken in connection with the sale of The Mediplex Construction Company.

The Mediplex sale completed Avon's divestiture of its health care businesses. The company said it would use the proceeds to further reduce debt. In the last 21 months, Avon has cut its debt by more than 45 percent to approximately $600 million from $1.1 billion at Dec. 31, 1988.

CONTACT: John Cox, 212-546-8471, or investors: Phyllis Davis, 212-546-8622, or Ann Scavullo, 212-546-6737, all of Avon

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#90283p3269 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Air Force's Strategic Air Command (SAC) has chosen Logicon Inc. (NYSE: LGN) to provide critical high-technology support services to its new underground command center near Omaha, Neb., the company said today.

The 63-month contract, which includes five option years at about $2 million each, has a total potential value of more than $10.6 million.

The recently completed command center is the focal point for directing all of SAC's forces, including aircraft, both bombers and aerial refuelers, and intercontinental ballistic missiles. The Command Center also integrates SAC's advance warning systems and other components of national defense. The new center uses large- scale projection equipment to plot worldwide activity and has computer-based work stations for members of the SAC battle staff.

Logicon experts will support SAC in the areas of software maintenance, hardware maintenance, systems engineering, and configuration management at the command center. The company will subcontract selected portions of the work to IBM, Contel, and McCallie Associates Inc.

Logicon is a leader in providing advanced technology systems and services to support national security, civil and industrial needs.

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#90283p3272 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

AZUSA, CALIF. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Optical Radiation Corp. (NASDAQ: ORCO) announced today that its Cinema Digital Sound (CDS) technology, developed jointly with Eastman Kodak Co., (NYSE: EK) is now available for theatrical films in 35mm format. The announcement was made at ShowEast in Atlantic City N.J., where motion picture industry exhibitors and distributors are currently gathered for an annual conference.

Introduced last summer at selected 70mm theaters in New York and Los Angeles featuring "Dick Tracy," CDS is a process that produces compact disc quality sound for commercial movie theaters.

Richard D. Wood, Optical Radiation's president and chief executive officer, said additional films featuring CDS are expected to be released for the Christmas season in the United States, as well as in Europe, where the technology was formally introduced earlier this month.

"The availability of CDS in 35mm format expands the market size to 23,000 theaters in the United States alone, compared with about 1,000 70mm theaters, said Wood. "CDS will add a new dimension to the neighborhood theatrical

experience."

CDS provides filmmakers with a precise ability to control the direction and movement of sound to create a more compelling illusion of reality. Five discrete channels reproduce the full tonal and frequency ranges the human ear is capable of hearing. A separate sub-woofer channel reproduces the lowest bass tones. The channels are optically encoded on the print film.

Leonard F. Coleman, vice president and general manager of marketing for Kodak's Motion Picture and Television Products division, believes that eventually scripts will be written for sound to be designed to take full advantage of CDS features. He also expects more original sound to be recorded and mixed digitally now that there is a way to release movies in digital sound format.

"We anticipate an orderly, evolutionary process," said Coleman. "Filmmakers experimenting with CDS will discover ways to enhance their art form. That will help distributors to merchandise the box office appeal of digital sound. In turn, exhibitors will be encouraged to upgrade theaters."

Wood anticipates that more than 50 theaters in the United States and Europe will be equipped for CDS in time for the Christmas holiday releases. He noted that the cost for a theater to install CDS equipment is approximately $20,000.

Optical Radiation designs and manufactures a wide variety of precision optical components and systems for medical, industrial and scientific applications.

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#90283p3277 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of CSX Corp. (NYSE: CSX) today approved regular quarterly dividends on the company's common stock and serial preferred stock, Series A.

The 35 cents per share dividend on the common stock is payable Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 23. The $1.75 per share dividend on the preferred stock is payable Jan. 31, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 31 1990.

CONTACT: Thomas E. Hoppin, or Suzanne S. Walston of CSX, 804-782-1406

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#90283p3278 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
FARMINGDALE, N.Y. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Action Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MDCI) today announced it will extend the expiration date of its warrants to Nov. 13, 1991, one year beyond their present expiration date of Nov. 13, 1990.

The warrants entitle the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $3.75. Medical Action has approximately 1 million warrants outstanding.

Medical Action Industries Inc.'s common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System. The warrants are traded separately on the NASDAQ System under the ticker symbol "MDCIW."

Medical Action Industries Inc. is a leading domestic supplier of medical disposable lap sponges and markets a variety of surgical-related products.

CONTACT: Paul V. Rossi, vice president of Medical Action Industries, 516-249-6620

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#90283p3280 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROGERS, CONN. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Rogers Corporation (AMEX: ROG) declared a regular quarterly dividend of 3 cents per share payable Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record Oct. 22, 1990.

Headquartered in Rogers, Conn., Rogers manufactures a broad range of engineered materials and components for the electronics and other selected industrial markets at 17 locations in the U.S., Europe and Mexico.

CONTACT: A. David Heilemann of Rogers Corp., 203-774-9605

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#90283p3281 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
COLUMBUS, GA. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Total System Services Inc. (NYSE: TSS), the Columbus, Ga.-based bankcard data processing company, today announced record revenues and net income for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

Net income for the third quarter increased 16.0 percent to $3,242,000, or $.20 per share, up from $2,796,000, or $.17 per share, for the same period last year. Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $21.7 million, an increase of 31.1 percent, compared with revenues of $16.5 million reported for the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 rose 13.9 percent to $8,897,000 from $7,814,000 for the same period last year. Net income per share

increased to $.56 from the $.49 earned in the first nine months of 1989. Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $58.1 million, an increase of 21.0 percent, compared with revenues of $48.0 million for the same period last year.

Commenting on the company's performance, Richard W. Ussery, president and chief executive officer of TSYS, stated: "We are pleased with our performance for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990, particularly considering the continuing increased expenses we experienced in the third quarter in order to prepare for additional future growth. We are optimistic about the continued strong earnings potential of TSYS and anticipate record revenues and earnings for 1990."

CONTACT: James B. Lipham, treasurer, 404-649-2262, or Kenneth E. Evans, executive vice president, 404-649-4457, both of TSYS

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#90283p3285 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

STILLWATER, MN (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - INCSTAR Corporation (ASE:ISR) reported today that it has received Pre-Market Approval (PMA) from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the company's CYCLO-Trac(R) SP radioimmunoassay (RIA) cyclosporine drug monitoring products.

The CYCLO-Trac SP products are used to monitor the level of cyclosporine in the bloodstream of heart, kidney, and liver transplant patients. The drug cyclosporine is a powerful immunosuppressant administered to prevent organ rejection. Accurate monitoring of cyclosporine is necessary to aid in the clinical management of organ transplant patients receiving the drug.

Dr. Orwin Carter, president and CEO of INCSTAR, said that the CYCLO-Trac SP products are the first internally developed products for which INCSTAR has received PMA approval. "These products have been in clinical evaluation for the past three years. Now that we have full marketing approval, we expect that, in time, new opportunities will open up for us. However, we do not expect a significant increase in units sold in the near-term."

INCSTAR is a Minnesota-based manufacturer and distributor of high quality immunodiagnostic products for health care professionals and manufacturers. The company is an affiliate of the Italian-based Fiat Group (NYSE:FIA).

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#90283p3289 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Brigitte McCray has been promoted to director of creative services for Channel 7, it was announced today by Walter C. Liss Jr., president and general manager of the Capital Cities/ABC, Inc.-owned (NYSE: CCB) television station in New York. In this position, McCray will be responsible for directing all station advertising and promotional campaigns.

In making the announcement, Liss noted, "Brigitte's excellent track record since joining the creative services department more than four years ago makes her the obvious choice to step into the director's position. She is truly an asset to the company."

McCray joined Channel 7's creative services department in October 1986 and quickly moved to positions of increasing responsibility, most recently serving as assistant director. Prior to WABC-TV, McCray was with the promotion department of W-USA-TV, the CBS/Gannett-owned station in Washington. While there, she swiftly moved up the ranks from promotion coordinator to writer/producer, where she had been responsible for the production of major on-air promotion and station image campaigns. McCray began her broadcast career at WETA-TV, the PBS station in Washington, as a production assistant in the special projects unit.

Born in Germany, McCray graduated from Maryland University with a B.F.A. degree. She currently resides in New York City.

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#90283p3295 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - David I. Chemerow, former senior vice president of operations at Primerica Corp. and currently president of Beechwood Capital Corp., has been appointed to the new position of executive vice president, finance and operations, and chief financial officer of Playboy Enterprises, Inc. (NYSE: PLAA). The announcement was made this morning by Playboy Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Christie Hefner, to whom Chemerow will report.

In his new post, Chemerow will oversee the financial operations of the $168-million international publishing and entertainment company and will chair the operating review committee, working closely with publishing group president Michael Perlis and entertainment group president Robert Friedman.

In making the announcement, Hefner said, "David's extensive experience in analyzing business opportunities and in negotiating and structuring deals and relationships will be invaluable to us as we continue to capitalize on the worldwide growth opportunities for the Playboy brand and expand our base of business through start-ups and acquisitions. Coming off of a very profitable

year with a very strong balance sheet and more equity flexibility, this is an ideal time to have David join the team."

Chemerow joins Playboy from Beechwood Capital Corp., an investment company he founded with Kenneth A. Yarnell Jr., the former president and chief operating officer of Primerica. Beechwood Capital Corp. is involved in acquiring and operating businesses.

From 1975 to 1988, Chemerow held a number of executive positions with Primerica Corp., including vice president and corporate treasurer, senior vice president and corporate controller, and lastly, senior vice president of operations.

Chemerow holds a bachelor of arts degree in mathematics from Dartmouth College and a masters in business administration from the Amos Tuck School of Business Administration. He is a director of Dunham's Athleisure Corp., a Detroit-based sporting goods retailer, and is an overseer of the Dartmouth Institute at Dartmouth College.

He and his wife Doreen will move from Stamford, Conn., to Chicago, where Playboy's corporate headquarters are located.

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-30- 2486

#90283p3300 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, Calif. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - SPI Pharmaceuticals Inc. (AMEX: SPI) today reported net income in the third quarter increased 21 percent over last year's third quarter. Sales and net income were the highest of any third quarter in the company's history.

The company said net income of $3.4 million, or 28 cents a share, for the third quarter ended Aug. 31 compared to net income of $2.8 million, or 23 cents a share, in the same quarter a year ago. Net income benefited from an improved gross profit margin.

Third quarter sales increased 8 percent to $31.4 million from $29 million in last year's third quarter.

Sales growth was led by U.S. sales which benefited from strong sales of the company's prescription line of myasthenia gravis products and dermatological products, which were 64 percent ahead.

Sales of the antiviral Virazole (ribavirin) were also ahead in the quarter. Virazole is marketed in the United States for the aerosolized treatment of infants and young children hospitalized with severe respiratory tract infection caused by respiratory syncytial virus.

International sales benefited from gains in Mexico, Holland and Spain. Mexico continued to experience good demand for all its major product lines, including antibiotics and injectable multivitamins. Sales of the antiulcer medication Ranuber, and Calcitonina, used to treat osteoporosis, contributed to the performance of the Spanish operations.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income increased 11 percent to $10.2 million, or 83 cents a share, from $9.2 million, or 75 cents a share, in the comparable period a year ago. Sales were 9 percent ahead, rising to $97.1 million from $88.9 million in the first three quarters of 1989.

SPI Pharmaceuticals, listed on the American Stock Exchange, makes, markets and distributes a broad range of ethical prescription and non-prescription pharmaceuticals, principally in the United States, Latin America, Europe and Canada.

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-30- 2245

#90283p3301 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODBURY, N.Y. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - International Bankcard Services Corporation (NASDAQ: IBSC, IBSCU) today announced it has signed a letter of intent to acquire GLL TV Enterprises, Inc. known as "Journey to Adventure," subject to the approval of both boards of directors.

"Journey to Adventure" is an award-winning TV series, which has been thrilling viewers for over 30 years. The company's chairman and chief executive officer Gunther Less, is considered one of the world's foremost travel authority, with an unparalleled knowledge of the international markets plus a unique blend of corporate marketing experience and travel "intelligence" to the company.

With millions of loyal viewers around the world, "Journey" has been a perfectly targeted advertising vehicle for the world's most successful travel marketers.

International Bankcard Services Corporation intends to continue to expand this most successful TV travel series and also provide additional travel services by the development of a unique travel club.

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-30- 1283

#90283p3303 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHRIDGE, CA. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Richard James, president of JBL

Inc., today announced the appointment of Tom Jacoby to the position of president of JBL Consumer Products, Inc. JBL, Inc. is composed of three JBL companies: JBL Professional, JBL International, and JBL Consumer, and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Harman International Industries, Inc.

In this capacity, Jacoby will be responsible for all operations of JBL Consumer Products as regards the company's domestic operations including all phases of the operation from product development through to U.S. distribution. Jacoby will, additionally, establish offices in both JBL, Inc.'s Northridge headquarters and in the firm's Woodbury, N.Y., facility. Both offices will be staffed with key operational personnel. Marketing, sales, administrative, and finance functions will be divided between JBL Consumer Products Inc.'s offices in Northridge and Woodbury. In his position, Jacoby will divide his time between both offices.

Prior to this appointment, Jacoby most recently served as executive vice president for Harman America, formerly the marketing and distribution company for both Harman Kardon electronics and JBL Consumer loudspeakers. He had been involved with Harman Kardon for the last 10 years, and JBL for the last five. Prior to that, Jacoby was involved with the consumer electronics industry from a retail perspective.

"I am very pleased to announce Tom's appointment as president of JBL Consumer Products," James commented. "He brings with him a wealth of knowledge and experience regarding JBL's position in the marketplace. Dividing his time between the operations on both coasts will enable Tom to take advantage of the combined creative strength available at Northridge headquarters and will expand his expertise even further," James concluded.

"It is with great pleasure that I assume the JBL Consumer Products presidency " Jacoby stated. "I received an enormous amount of professional satisfaction during the course of my previous efforts on behalf of JBL and the opportunity now presented me is very exciting. I look forward to working with Dick as well as the two other JBL companies, JBL Professional and JBL International. By dividing my time between the two coasts, I will be better able to take advantage of the combined resources of JBL Inc., and the Harman International family of companies."

CONTACT: Roberta Skopp of Skopp & Company, 313-881-1808, for JBL

-30- 2663
#90283p3305 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The CBS Inc. (NYSE: CBS) board today declared a cash dividend of $1.10 per share on CBS common stock, payable Dec. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 28.

The board also declared a cash dividend of 25 cents per share on CBS Series A

preference stock, payable Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 28.

CONTACT: Keith Fawcett of CBS, 212-975-6824

-30- 553
#90283p3309 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
PEORIA, IL (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Caterpillar Inc. (NYSE: CAT) today declared a cash dividend of 30 cents per share on its common stock, payable Nov. 20, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business Oct. 22, 1990.

This maintains the dividend rate declared for the previous quarter.

CONTACT: R. E. Stober of Caterpillar, 309-675-5548

-30- 512
#90283p3316 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - URCARCO INC. (NASDAQ: CARS) announced today that it has signed a lease for its fourth retail used cfr lot in Houston according to Clifton H. Morris Jr., Chairman and CEO.

The new retail facility will serve the Southeast Houston area, located at 12800 Gulf Freeway (I-45 South) on "new car row." Displaying approximately 150-200 cars and light trucks on a major high-traffic thoroughfare, this new lot will also serve outlying market areas such as NASA, Clear Lake and Galveston.

The anticipated opening date has been set for Oct. 15, 1990. The company recently announced the signing of a lease for its second San Antonio lot, also scheduled to open on this same date. Based on current lot opening plans, URCARCO will have 20 retail lots in operation by Oct. 15, up from 17 lots in operation on June 30 at the company's 1990 fiscal year end.

Formerly a major new car dealership, the new Houston lot features five acres of display, showroom and full-service facilities.

"This is an important next step for URCARCO in Houston, wcto its metropolitan population of nearly 3.5 million people," stated Morris. "In addition, our shift towards large, high-profile lots, which were formerly new car dealerships, has also provided us with excellent facilities for pre-sale vehicle preparation and follow-up service."

URCARCO INC. currently operates a chain of 18 used car retail lots in Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston, Austin, and San Antonio, selling quality used passenger cars and light trucks and typically financing customer purchases.

CONTACT: Henry T. Stanley, 817-882-7008; or Robyn B. Trent, 817-882-7018, both of URCARCO INC.

-30- 1850

#90283p3318 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEXINGTON, Ky. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Kentucky Utilities Company (NYSE: KU) reported earnings per average share of common stock for the three and nine months ended September 30, 1990, of $.59 and $1.53, respectively, as compared to $.54 and $1.75 for the corresponding periods in 1989. Earnings for the twelve months ended September 30, 1990, were $2.11 per share as compared to $2.05 per share a year ago. Results for the nine and twelve month periods of 1989 include a one-time addition to earnings of 30 cents per share associated with the cumulative effect of an accounting change to recognize unbilled revenues.

Operating revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $151.3 million, a 12 percent increase from the same quarter of 1989. The revenue increase reflects a 7 percent rise in kilowatt-hour sales which is primarily attributed to greater sales to other utiltiies and to continued growth in sales to commercial and industrial customers. Operating expenses and taxes of $120.2 million for the current quarter increased 12 percent from 1989.

For the twelve months ended September 30, 1990, operating revenues of $553.3 million were 6 percent above those in the corresponding period last year. Operating expenses and taxes for the twelve-month period of 1990 were $443.5 million, up 4 percent from 1989.

CONTACT: Michael R. Whitley of Kentucky Utilities Company, 606-255-2100

-30- 1587

#90283p3330 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Technology Marketing Inc. (NASDAQ: TMKT) today announced the financial results for the second quarter of fiscal year 1991. Revenues in the second quarter ended Aug. 31 were $2,072,313, resulting in a net profit of $42,580. This compares with revenues of $2,006,144 and a net profit of $18,483 for the same period a year ago. Net income per share for both quarters was $.01.

For the six month period ended Aug. 31, TMI recorded a net loss of $55,597 on revenues of $3,773,370. This compares with a net profit of $264,141 on revenues of $4,626,501 for the same period last year. Net loss per share for the six months ended Aug. 31 was (.02), compared to a net income per share of $.09 for the period ended Aug. 31, 1989.

The company returned to profitability after losses in the three previous quarters. Although revenues for the quarter were up only 3 percent compared

to the prior year, the pre-tax income improved by 44 percent from the same period. Net income for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 was not enough to offset the loss in the first quarter leaving a year-to-date loss. However, revenues improved by 22 percent from the previous quarter.

Technology Marketing Inc. (TMI) is a provider of high technology automatic test equipment, magnetic tape certification systems, and custom engineering and development services of computer-based systems to manufacturers and service providers in the electronic industries. TMI was incorporated in 1969 and issued shares to the public in 1981. Its corporate offices are in Irvine, Calif.

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-30- 1849

#90283p3331 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - For the third quarter of 1990, CBS Inc. (NYSE: CBS) today reported income from continuing operations of $43.5 million, or $1.69 per share, compared to $61.9 million, or $2.40 per share, in the third quarter of 1989. This earnings per share decrease of 30 percent principally reflected weaker results within the operations of the CBS Television Network. Income from continuing operations for the first nine months of 1990 reached $266.8 million, compared to $237 million in the prior-year period. Results for the third quarter and first nine months were as follows:

CBS INC.
(In millions, except per-share data)

Third Quarter	1990	1989	Percent Change
Income from continuing operations	$43.5	$61.9	- 30
Income from continuing operations per share	$1.69	$2.40	- 30
Net income	$43.5	$61.9	- 30
Net income per share	$1.69	$2.40	- 30
Net sales	$662.2	$593.3	+ 12
First Nine Months	**1990**	**1989**	**Percent Change**
Income from continuing operations	$266.8	$237.0	+ 13
Income from continuing operations per share	$10.36	$9.21	+ 12
Net income	$266.8	$236.8	+ 13
Net income per share	$10.36	$9.20	+ 13
Net sales	$2,341.8	$2,095.7	+ 12

For the third quarter of 1990, CBS/Broadcast Group net sales were $661.8 million, a 12 percent increase, and operating profits were $17.8 million, a

decrease of 65 percent. The CBS Television Network reported substantially lower results mainly due to higher expenditures, in comparison to the third quarter of the prior year. Costs at the Network rose to fund new program development, first-run summer programming and the acquisition of sports rights as well as to provide hard news coverage of events in the Middle East. The Network's sales growth exceeded 10 percent and was lifted mainly be broadcasts of Major League Baseball. Profits at the CBS Television Stations rose in the quarter, led by better results at the Los Angeles and New York stations. CBS Radio reported markedly higher sales and profits due to the improved performance of both the AM and the FM station groups.

Net corporate interest income was $43.3 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared to $47.5 million in the third quarter of the prior year. At the end of the third quarter, the company's total cash and marketable securities were approximately $3 billion, while total debt was approximately $0.8 billion.

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-30- 2918

#90283p3332 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - USLIFE Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: UIF), a closed-end investment company, reported today that net investment income from interest and dividends during the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 amounted to $1,275,726 compared to $1,241,357 on Sept. 30, 1989. Earnings per share for the first quarter totaled $.24 compared to $.23 recorded in the similar period of the previous year.

A quarterly dividend totaling $.23 per share was paid during the three-month period.

Net assets of USLIFE Income Fund totaled $45,966,880 at Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to $50,886,159 at Sept. 30, 1989. The net asset value per share was $8.58 compared to $9.50 at Sept. 30, 1989.

USLIFE Income Fund is managed by USLIFE Advisers, Inc., a subsidiary of USLIFE Corporation (NYSE: USH).

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-30- 1079

#90283p3336 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, CO (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Jones Intercable Inc. and its affiliates report that they have, since August 21, 1990, purchased 102,600 shares of its Class A Common Stock (NASDAQ: JOINA) and 184,700 shares of its Common Stock (NASDAQ: JOIN) on the open market.

While the company does not have any express plan with regard to the amount of its securities it will repurchase, it expects that it will continue from time to time to purchase its stock as opportunities or market conditions warrant. The company's Class A Common Stock closed at $6.50 and the company's Common Stock closed at $5.75, both as of Oct. 9, 1990.

Jones Intercable is one of the largest cable television operators in the United States, serving over 1.4 million subscribers, and is the world's largest cable television management company managing cable systems for publicly held partnerships.

CONTACT: Jim Carlson or Nancy Reed Long both of Jones Intercable Inc., 303-792-3111

-30- 1135

#90283p3337 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, OR. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Mentor Graphics Corp. (NASDAQ: MENT) today announced that it has entered into a five-year agreement with General Electric (NYSE: GE). The agreement, the largest ever in the Electronic Design Automation (EDA) industry, gives Mentor Graphics preferred vendor status at General Electric.

Mentor Graphics has already entered into the first phase of the agreement with GE's Aerospace and Medical Systems divisions. As part of the agreement, Mentor Graphics will act as the prime contractor for integrating all of GE's Aerospace and Medical Systems' EDA tools into comprehensive concurrent design environments and assisting in the evaluation of new technologies to maximize design productivity. The agreement also calls for replacement of all other existing EDA vendors' products.

Mentor Graphics began installation of HP/Apollo workstations at GE sites in the third quarter of this year; Sun workstations will be installed in 1991. The initial systems will focus primarily on hardware simulation and printed circuit board design. In 1989 GE ordered Mentor Graphics products for its Medical and Aerospace divisions.

A portion of the contract involves Mentor Graphics' Consulting Services. Mentor Graphics will have dedicated Consulting Services employees on site full-time at GE's Engineering Support Center and in select Aerospace and Medical divisions. Consulting Services is an independent group within Mentor Graphics dedicated to counseling clients on planning and implementing EDA environments.

In addition, GE Medical Systems recently presented Mentor Graphics with an award for vendor excellence. As one of GE Medical Systems' strategic partners Mentor Graphics was recognized for helping GE decrease time-to-market and

product cycle time while significantly increasing design efficiency and productivity. GE bestows the vendor excellence award to only those companies that help GE realize dramatic improvements in engineering productivity.

"To improve our design processes for the 1990's, GE requires leading-edge design tools, state-of-the-art design environments, and the consulting expertise to implement our design systems," stated James Feller, vice president of technology for GE Aerospace. "We are anxiously awaiting Mentor Graphics' Release 8.0 and support for the Sun platform. As the current industry leader, with its consulting experience and R&D commitment, Mentor Graphics has the potential to help us realize maximum return from our investment in design automation."

"Perhaps the most gratifying aspect of our relationship with GE is the recognition of our Consulting Services as key to applying this technology productively," stated Thomas Bruggere, chairman and chief executive officer of Mentor Graphics. "Working in partnership with an industry leader such as GE will advance the state-of-the-art in design automation."

Mentor Graphics Corp., Beaverton, Ore., was established in 1981 to design, manufacture, market and service EDA systems. The company is the leader in worldwide EDA sales, with revenues of $437 million over the last 12 months, as restated to reflect the merger with Silicon Compiler Systems Inc. The company currently employes more than 2,500 people. In addition to its corporate offices in Beaverton, Mentor Graphics has sales and support offices in 66 locations worldwide. The company's headquarters are located at 8500 SW Creekside Place, Beaverton, Ore., 97005.

CONTACT: Barbara Marker of KVO Inc., 503-645-1551, for Mentor Graphics; or Wendy Hughson of Mentor Graphics Corp., 503-626-7000

-30- 3832

#90283p3339 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOLEDO, OH (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) teams up today with The Walt Disney Co. (NYSE: DIS) to introduce a new Mickey Mouse telephone.

America's favorite cartoon character strikes a casual pose, leaning on an angled black base that holds a bright red AT&T Trimline(R) phone.

The telephone has a key that redials busy or unanswered numbers, and it can be muted to prevent the person on the line from hearing conversations with others in the room.

Users can increase the volume of the incoming voice if necessary, a feature that is particularly helpful in noisy locations such as a den or for people with hearing impairments. The keypad is lighted to make it easier to dial in dark rooms.

Mickey Mouse stands about 14 inches tall, and the telephone's base is about 10 inches square. It can be used with either touch tone or rotary service.

The Mickey Mouse telephone is available for $99.99 in the AT&T Phone Center located at 3301 W. Central Ave., Toledo, Ohio. It also will be available at Disney theme parks and at retail stores nationwide.

CONTACT: Randy Dean of AT&T, 419-536-5195

-30- 1286

#90283p3345 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARSIPPANY, NJ (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - AIM Telephones, Inc. (AMEX: AIM), which designs, sells, installs and services PBX and key telephone systems, voice mail, automated attendants, automatic call distributors, as well as sells a broad range of network services under sales agency agreements with several of the Regional Bell Operating Companies, and services approximately 19,000 customers from Maine to the Carolinas, announced today the resignation of William C. Christopoulos as director, president and chief executive officer.

The company also announced that Maurice P. Rodrigue has been appointed president and chief executive officer. Rodrigue was formerly executive vice president of WIN Communications Corporation.

The company has also announced the appointment of Ronald Teixeira as executive vice president and chief operating officer. Teixeira formerly was senior vice president of VICON Industries.

CONTACT: Kevin J. McMahon, chief financial officer of AIM Telephones. 201-515-9400 ext. 225

-30- 1180

#90283p3347 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOMERVILLE, Mass. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Century Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: CNBKA) today reported net income of $1,000 for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, after adding an additional $1 million to its Loan Loss Reserve.

Stockholders' Equity reached $36.8 million at the end of the third quarter of 1990, up 1.9 percent compared to the third quarter of 1989. Book value at Sept. 30, 1990 stood at $6.43 per share.

Century's decrease in earnings continues to be attributed primarily to non-accruing loans and other real estate owned. For the first nine months of 1990, operating expense increased just 0.6 percent over the same period last year.

Century's non-accruing loans totalled $17.2 million at the end of the third quarter which represents 4.92 percent of total loans outstanding. Century's Loan Loss Reserve amounted to $6.4 million at Sept. 30, 1990, up 57.9 percent from $4.1 million at the end of the third quarter, 1989. During the third quarter, other real estate owned increased to $7.5 million from the $7.0 million at June 30, 1990.

In view of the continued downturn in the region's economy, the bank determined the additional contribution to the Loan Loss Reserve appropriate. Century Bank's third quarter earnings were such that it was able to make the additional contribution without posting a loss for the quarter.

Citing the need to preserve strong capital during the region's economic downturn, Century's board of directors voted to reduce the bank's quarterly dividend to 2.50 cents per share on Century Class A common stock (formerly 7.50 cents) and 0.35 cents per share on Class B common stock (formerly 1.05 cents). The dividends were declared payable Nov. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record, Nov. 1, 1990.

Marshall M. Sloane, president and chairman of Century noted, "As evidenced by continued deterioration in the real estate market, employment levels, the Commonwealth's fiscal health, and with the prospect of a national recession looming, we expect the region to take several months, perhaps a prolonged period of time, to recover from its economic downturn. We must therefore take the necessary action to prepare Century Bank for the seemingly long road ahead."

Sloane said that until the economic factors that have impacted the bank's earnings begin to improve, it must reduce its dividend to help preserve its strong capital base. "Concurrently, we're committed to controlling overhead, marketing the real estate we own, and carefully managing overall asset quality " said Sloane.

Century Bancorp, Inc., with 14 offices in eastern Massachusetts has three subsidiaries: Century Bank and Trust Company, headquartered in Somerville, Century North Shore Bank and Trust Company, headquartered in Lynn and Century Bank/Suffolk, headquartered in Chelsea.

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-30- 3083
#90283p3348 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARSIPPANY, NJ (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - AIM Telephones, Inc. (AMEX: AIM), which designs, sells, installs and services PBX and key telephone systems, voice mail, automated attendants, automatic call distributors, as well as selling a broad range of network services under sales agency agreements with several of the Regional Bell Operating Companies, and services approximately

19,000 customers from Maine to the Carolinas, announced today sales and earnings for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Second quarter net income was $13,000 or nil cents per share compared with net income in the second quarter of the prior year of $147,000 or 3 cents per share.

Revenues for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990 decreased 15.6 percent to $10,381,000 from $12,306,000 for the second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

The weighted average number of shares outstanding for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990 and 1989 were 5,510,000 and 5,524,000, respectively.

For the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, net loss was $145,000, or 3 cents per share, compared to net income in the comparable six months of the prior year of $421,000 or 8 cents per share.

Revenues for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990 decreased 19 percent to $20,678,000 from $25,536,000 for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1989.

The weighted average number of shares outstanding was 5,510,000 and 5,524,000 for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

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-30- 1685
#90283p3351 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL SEGUNDO, CA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Hundreds of employees gathered today at Northrop Corp.'s (NYSE: NOC) Fighter Production Center to mark the completion and delivery of the 1,000th F/A-18 Hornet shipset to prime contractor McDonnell Douglas.

The unit will be transported by train across country to St. Louis, Mo., where McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) will mate the center and aft fuselage with the nose section and wings to complete the aircraft. The 1,000th shipset, an F/A-18D two-seater equipped with night attack capability, will be used by the U.S. Marine Corps for tactical missions.

Since start-up 16 years ago, Northrop has continuously pursued methods to increase efficiency, improve quality and reduce costs. For example, the F/A-18 is now being built with a computerized system that virtually eliminates some 16,000 sheets of paper per shipset on the assembly line; a small parts sheet metal work cell that brings together under one roof everything needed to manufacture small sheet metal parts; and photogrammetry, a process that reduces aircraft assembly tool inspection costs and lowers average tool inspection time.

Composite materials--which make an aircraft lighter, stronger and more versatile--were used extensively for the first time on the F/A- 18. The aircraft's aerodynamic/control surfaces, including the leading edge, trailing edge, wing skin, vertical and horizontal tail skins and other surfaces are made with carbon epoxy composites.

The successful use of composites and the manufacturing technologies developed for the Hornet paved the way for the use of composites on the B-2 bomber and the YF-23 Advanced Tactical Fighter, both conceived as 21st century front-line combat aircraft.

The Hornet has amassed over one million flight hours with the U.S. Navy, Marines and the air forces of Australia, Canada and Spain. It is the safest carrier-based combat aircraft in the history of naval aviation, and the Navy's most cost-effective tactical aircraft in terms of procurement, operational and support costs.

The Republic of Korea decided last year to acquire 120 F/A-18s in a program leading to licensed production of aircraft in South Korea. The first deliveries in this program are expected in 1993.

The F/A-18 evolved from Northrop's design for a lightweight, twin-engine, twin-tail aircraft--the YF-17--which was developed as a prototype for the U.S. Air Force's lightweight fighter program. In 1975, the Navy announced its selection of the team of McDonnell Douglas and Northrop to develop its new strike fighter, the F/A-18.

The Hornet's design enables the aircraft to be continually upgraded or retrofitted to incorporate state-of-the-art advances in technology and new weapons systems with relative ease. Current models have been equipped with night attack capabilities and provisions for tactical reconnaissance. The addition of several new missile systems has increased the aircraft's combat flexibility and usefulness.

Northrop and McDonnell Douglas continue to define further improvements which will give the Navy the capability to counter anticipated threats well into the next century.

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-30- 3401

#90283p3357 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - WEBCORP, headquartered in Sausalito, Calif., today announced its first product, the WEB Network Operating System. WEB is an evolutionary peer-to-peer network operating system for DOS-based computers. WEB is the first network operating system to deliver the low-cost system

efficiencies and ease-of-use of peer-to-peer networks with the performance found in sophisticated server-based systems. WEB features advanced network throughput, an intuitive easy- to-use interface for the user to manage access to local resources, advanced memory efficiency, extensibility, hardware-independence, and conformance to DOS path conventions for referencing network files.

WEB is designed to meet the needs of workgroups and small businesses with requirements that range from basic file and device sharing to sophisticated multiuser applications that place heavy demands on the network. The WEB Network Operating System and other network applications under development will be sold through VARs and system integrators.

WEBCORP, headquartered in Sausalito, Calif., is a developer of network operating system software and network productivity tools. The company's first product, WEB, is the first peer-to-peer network operating system to deliver the performance and functionality of server-based networks. WEB is an economical networking solution that features an easy-to-use interface, high-performance, advanced memory efficiency, extensibility, and network security and management tools. WEB products are designed for workgroups and small businesses with both basic and sophisticated networking needs. WEB is available through a network of VARs, resellers, and system integrators.

CONTACT: Leigh Anne Lindsey of Jordan Communications, 415-331-1449, for WEBCORP

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#90283p3362 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - A regular quarterly dividend of 16.5 cents per common share was declared today by the board of directors of Super Valu Stores, Inc. (NYSE: SVU). The dividend is payable on Dec. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990. There are currently 75,189,724 shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Lisa Lee of Super Valu, 612-828-4007

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#90283p3367 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - EAC Industries (AMEX: EAC) today announced the following management changes at its Ideal Security Hardware subsidiary. Daniel E. Virnich, president and chief executive officer of EAC, has assumed the presidency of Ideal, replacing Vern Diedrick who was named interim president on May 7, 1990. Patrick Johnson, vice president, has assumed the additional duties of general manager of Ideal. Virnich stated that this was a further step in developing Tennessee-based senior management at its Ideal unit. He further stated that he viewed his position at Ideal as temporary and hoped

to name a new president within the near future.

CONTACT: Daniel E. Virnich, president and CEO of EAC, 303-295-6144

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#90283p3371 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Transworld Drilling UK Ltd., a subsidiary of Kerr-McGee Corp. (NYSE: KMG), has reached an agreement to sell its largest offshore jack-up drilling rig, Mr. Mac, to Smedvig a.s. for U. S. $84 million in cash. Closing of the sale is expected within 30 days.

Smedvig is a major Norwegian drilling contractor operating throughout the North Sea and internationally. Smedvig, based in Stavanger, Norway, will offer continued employment to personnel associated with Mr. Mac.

Kerr-McGee is continuing negotiations for the sale of its remaining contract drilling subsidiary, which operates five jack-up and seven submersible offshore rigs in the Gulf of Mexico.

CONTACT: Myron Cunningham of Kerr-McGee Corp., 405-270-2847

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#90283p3373 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

(OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Houston Industries Incorporated (NYSE: HOU) today announced it has adopted an Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) to fund the company's existing obligations to make matching contributions under an employee Savings Plan established in 1973.

The ESOP will purchase shares of Houston Industries common stock in open market transactions. It is expected that the ESOP will purchase approximately 10 million shares of the company's 128 million outstanding shares of common stock.

Funds for the purchases will be provided by a loan from Houston Industries. Houston Industries will obtain the funds to be loaned initially from short-term borrowings which are expected to be replaced with long-term debt.

CONTACT: Sandy Brendler, 713-629-3123 or Dan Bulla 713-629-3120, both of Houston Industries

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#90283p3381 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCARBOROUGH, ME (OCT. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Hannaford Bros. (NYSE: HRD), Northern New England's largest food retailer, has declared quarterly dividend on the common stock of 11 cents per share, payable Dec. 27, 1990, to shareholders of

record at the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Charles H. Crockett of Hannaford Bros., 207-883-2911

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#90283p3382 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANSFIELD, OHIO (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Ideal Electric Company of Mansfield today sued the city of Mansfield, three city officials and a Richland County Common Pleas judge for $24 million in damages, resulting from their conduct during the recent United Steelworkers' strike against Ideal. The suit was filed in U.S. District Court in Akron.

Individual defendants named in the suit are Mayor Edward T. Meehan, Service-Safety Director Daniel George Arnold, Police Captain Philip Messer and Richland County Common Pleas Court Judge Max K. Chilcote.

The suit amends an earlier complaint brought before the strike was settled, which sought injunctive relief to enable Ideal to operate its plant during the strike, as protected by federal law. Today's action also removes the United Steelworkers as a defendant in the suit.

The amended complaint seeks $12 million in compensatory damages and another $12 million in punitive damages for alleged violations of Ideal's civil rights conspiracy to violate Ideal's civil rights, breach of duty by public officials and wrongful interference with business relationships.

"Ideal Electric suffered a long and frequently violent strike," said the company's chief executive officer Michael Vucelic, "which was made even worse by the repeated actions of public officials to deny us the ability to operate our plant. Company managers were denied access to the plant, replacement workers were denied access to the plant, and the city failed to take any meaningful action to stop the union and its supporters from continued mob violence. In fact, the union was encouraged to proceed with its unlawful actions by the repeated refusals of city and law enforcement officials to enforce the law.

"As a result," he added, "the company was unable to fulfill customer orders and has lost customer confidence and goodwill. Moreover, we were placed at a significant economic disadvantage in our negotiations with the union and were denied the use of economic countermeasures against the strike that are guaranteed by federal law."

Ideal Electric has been represented throughout the labor dispute by Robert T. Rosenfeld, Michael McMenamin and other lawyers from the Cleveland firm of Walter, Haverfield, Buescher & Chockley. The amended lawsuit in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio will be heard by Judge Sam Bell in Akron and was brought under provisions of the U.S. Civil Rights Act and Ohio

law.

"The laws of this country and this state are meant to be enforced," said attorney McMenamin. "During the steelworkers' strike against Ideal, however, they were not and, as a result, our client was severly harmed. This is what the suit is all about."

Ideal Electric Company, located in Mansfield, is a manufacturer of electrical motors, generators and switch-gears.

CONTACT: Robert T. Rosenfeld or Michael McMenamin, 216-781-1212, both of Walter, Haverfield, Buescher & Chockley, for the Ideal Electric Company

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#90283p3383 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Amerada Hess Corporation (NYSE: AHC) today announced that it and the Government of the Republic of Gabon had formed a joint venture company which had purchased a 10 percent interest in the Rabi-Kounga Oil Field onshore Gabon. The joint venture company is 67 percent owned by Amerada Hess and 33 percent owned by the republic of Gabon. The cost of the acquisition to Amerada Hess was $300 million.

The Rabi-Kounga field has proved and probable reserves of 425 million barrels of crude oil. Gross production from the field is expected to reach 140,000 barrels of oil per day in 1991.

CONTACT: C.T. Tursi of Amerada Hess, 212-536-8593

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#90283p3386 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Avondale Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: AVDL) today announced that it has acquired The Genco Group, a privately held steel fabricator based in Bridge City, Texas.

Genco generates annual sales of approximately $18 million principally through fabricating and installing large steel structures and process units for various industries. Although the purchase price was not disclosed, the Genco operations are expected to contribute positively to Avondale's earnings over the balance of 1990.

Albert L. Bossier Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Avondale, remarked: "The acquisition of The Genco Group not only offers an attractive return on our investment but also importantly broadens the base of Avondale's business. Our other industrial contacts and strong financial position will support Genco's interest in pursuing geographic expansion as well as

increasing the size and scope of its manufacturing capabilities. Genco has an excellent record of growth, and the overall demand trends appear very favorable in the key industries it serves."

Bossier said that this acquisition follows Avondale's strategy of increasing the percentage of the company's revenues derived from industrial and other commercial customers. He commented: "We are continuing to market our modular construction expertise to a broad range of industries. We are also actively pursuing opportunities, such as the purchase of the Genco operations, to augment these internal marketing efforts through selective acquisitions. This particular transaction will allow us to extend our own considerable experience with steel fabrication into some major industries which we believe offer exciting potential for Avondale."

In summarizing the newly acquired operations, Bossier indicated that Genco, founded in 1979, was initially focused on providing steel fabrication services for the petrochemical, plastics and paper industries heavily concentrated in southeast Texas. Construction trends in those sectors have recently begun to accelerate following some sluggishness in the mid-1980s. Bossier said that Genco's revenues have more than doubled over the past five years based not only on the higher capital spending in those traditional customer groups but also on the company's success in broadening its base of contracts. These newer customers include waste-to-energy (cogeneration) ventures, waste incineration projects and power generation facilities. Genco has also developed a profitable business in providing on-site, in-plant maintenance and repair services.

Avondale Industries Inc., headquartered in metro New Orleans, is one of the nation's leading marine fabricators. In addition to its shipbuilding operations, the company specializes in boat construction and is a major repair contractor for commercial and Navy ships. It is also involved in the modular construction of plants and components for a variety of land-based industries.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Kitchen of Avondale Industries, 504-436-5237

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RICHMOND, VA. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Heilig-Meyers Company (NYSE: HMY), the Richmond-based home furnishings retailer, today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly dividend of eleven cents per share. This dividend is payable November 24, 1990 to shareholders of record October 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Roy Goodman, Treasurer and Secretary, Heilig-Meyers Company, 804-359-9171

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#90283p3388 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Central Fidelity Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: CFBS) has authorized the corporation to purchase up to 1.5 million shares of its common stock, or 10 percent of the company's outstanding shares. This authorization includes 750,000 shares approved for repurchase as of August 6, 1990.

Since August 6, 1990, a total of 560,883 shares have been repurchased under this recent authority, and combined with prior authority, a total of 798,970 shares of common stock have been purchased in the past three months.

Management of Central Fidelity stated that purchases will be made periodically in either open-market or private transactions or both, in accordance with guidelines established by the Securities and Exchange Commission which includes volume restrictions designed to minimize the impact of such purchases. The number of shares actually acquired will depend on subsequent developments and corporate needs, and such purchases may be interrupted or discontinued at any time.

Central Fidelity Banks, Inc. presently has 14,592,815 shares of common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Lewis N. Miller, Jr., President, 804-697-6742, or Linda A. Garcia, Public Relations manager, 804-697-7261, both of Central Fidelity Banks, Inc.

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#90283p3390 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
RICHMOND, Va. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Central Fidelity Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: CFBS) reported record earnings for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990 and for the first nine months of 1990.

Net income for the third quarter increased 5.1 percent to $14,217,000 compared with $13,528,000 for the 1989 period. Net income per share was $.95 versus $.88 in 1989 representing an increase of 8.0 percent.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $42,467,000 or $2.79 per share versus $40,030,000 or $2.60 per share in 1989. This represents an increase of 6.1 percent in net income and 7.3 percent in earnings per share.

Total assets as of September 30, 1990 were $5,718,368,000, an increase of 12.7 percent over the prior year. Total loans grew a modest 3.2 percent to $3,577,715,000 reflecting the securitization of $76 million in mortgage loans, the sale of $25 million in credit card receivables, and the moderation of economic activity within the markets served by Central Fidelity. Total deposits increased by $404,574,000 or 10 percent to $4,436,595,000 at quarter-end. Stockholders' equity was $382,231,000 or 6.7 percent of total

assets, while the book value per common share was $26.36 compared with $23.90 on September 30, 1989.

Central Fidelity's return on average total assets for the quarter declined to 1.03 percent compared with 1.12 percent for the same period a year ago. The company's return on average stockholders' equity declined slightly from 14.80 percent in 1989 to 14.77 percent for 1990.

Net interest income for the quarter ended September 30, 1990 increased 8.0 percent to $52,709,000. On a tax-equivalent basis, the net interest margin for the current quarter was 4.41 percent compared to 4.74 percent for the third quarter of 1989. The margin decline is attributable mainly to a lower interest rate environment, a higher level of nonperforming assets, and growth in higher cost liabilities.

Noninterest income for the third quarter of 1990 increased 47.9 percent to $18,401,000. Significant contributors to this increase were $4 million in gains on the sale of credit card receivables, $1.9 million in investment securities gains, and higher levels of deposit fees and charges. Noninterest expenses increased 6.9 percent to $42,567,000 in the quarter during the final phase of the bank's branch expansion program. Stringent controls of expenses initiated during last year's fourth quarter have been a positive source of earnings enhancement throughout the year.

Nonperforming assets as of September 30, 1990 were $41,460,000 or 1.16 percent of net loans compared to $29,244,000 or .79 percent at the end of June 1990 and $33,876,000 or .98 percent on the same date last year. The weakness in real estate markets in various areas of the state is responsible for the higher levels of nonperforming assets. The allowance for loan losses at quarter-end was $42,776,000 or 1.20 percent of net loans versus $34,535,000 or 1.00 percent of net loans a year ago. This higher level of reserve reflects the company's commitment to assure its adequacy in the face of market weakness and uncertainties.

Net loan charge-offs for the quarter were $4,304,000 representing .47 percent of average loans on an annualized basis compared to .38 percent for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, net charge-offs were $13,444,000 or .50 percent of average loans compared to $10,253,000 or .41 percent for 1989.

During the quarter, the company underwent a comprehensive examination by the Federal Reserve Bank. The results of the examination had no impact on the level of nonperforming assets, reserve for loan losses, or earnings in the quarter.

Central Fidelity Banks, Inc. is a Richmond, Virginia based bank holding company with 195 branch offices throughout the state.

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#90283p3403 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST PALM BEACH, FL (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Steego Corporation (NYSE: STG) announced today that it adjourned its annual meeting of stockholders held on Oct. 5, 1990, in order to permit the company to solicit proxies with respect to the company's proposed increase in its authorized capital stock by 15 million shares.

This action was undertaken in order to facilitate the company's ability to quickly and aggressively capitalize on attractive acquisition opportunities, should such opportunities develop, by providing the company with greater flexibility through the increased availability of equity securities to finance such acquisitions either as an aspect of the purchase price or through a secondary public offering. The company also announced today that it will be actively pursuing such opportunities in the near term, consistent with the decision of the company's board of directors at its regular meeting held on Oct. 5, 1990 that an expansion of Steego's business, rather than a liquidation of the company, would be advisable and in the best interest of Steego and its stockholders.

Industrial Equity (Pacific) Limited has advised the company that it intends to vote its 9,955,426 shares of common stock (representing approximately 86.6 percent of the company's outstanding common stock) in favor of the proposed increase in the authorized capital stock. Steego expects to reconvene the meeting within the next 60 days. The record date for determining stockholders entitled to receive notice of the reconvened annual meeting, proxy statement and proxy remains Aug. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: William W. Curtas, treasurer of Steego, 407-655-9700, or Ron Como & Associates, Inc., 212-227-3010, for Steego

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#90283p3406 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND, (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Banner Aerospace, Inc. (NYSE: BAR) today announced the acquisition of Georgetown Jet Center of Georgetown, Texas, for an undisclosed amount of cash.

Georgetown Jet specializes in corporate aircraft engine repair and mainframe and avionics maintenance. It also reconditions aircraft for resale.

Georgetown Jet represents Banner Aerospace's eleventh acquisition of a specialized aviation service organization in the past three years and the

first since going public on Aug. 2, 1990. Samuel J. Krasney, chairman and chief executive officer of Banner Aerospace, said that the Georgetown Jet acquisition conformed to the company's pattern of purchasing well-managed, aviation-related businesses with market leadership whose growth can be accelerated by Banner Aerospace management support and capital investment. Krasney said that the acquisition of Georgetown Jet was a planned expansion into the jet engine service business.

Georgetown Jet will continue to be directed by its current management organization headed by Winthrop W. Aldrich and Ricky L. Peterson.

Cleveland-based Banner Aerospace is a leading supplier of aircraft replacement parts worldwide and provides numerous specialized aviation support services.

CONTACT: Warren D. Persavich of Banner Aerospace, Inc., 216-464-3650

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#90283p3408 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Centel Corporation (NYSE: CNT) announced today that its board of directors has elected Maxwell S. Davis, Jr., and Eugene H. Irminger to executive vice presidents of the corporation effective Nov. 1, 1990.

In his new position, Davis, currently president - Centel Electric, will be responsible for Centel's corporate staff organization, including the company's legal, government relations, human resources and corporate communications areas, as well as continuing to manage the company's electric operations. Centel announced in August it intends to sell its electric operations. Irminger, senior vice president and chief financial officer, will retain his position as Centel's chief financial officer.

Davis joined Centel in 1978 as assistant general counsel. In September 1983, he became associate general counsel and assistant secretary. In 1986, Davis was elected vice president, secretary and associate general counsel. He was elected vice president - corporate development for Centel Corporation in January 1988. Davis assumed his current post as president of Centel Electric in December 1988.

Before joining Centel, Davis was an attorney with the Chicago law firm of Ross & Hardies. Davis has a bachelor's degree from Dartmouth College in Hanover, N.H., and a law degree from Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass.

Irminger joined Centel in 1973 as controller of the corporation. Two years later, he was elected vice president and controller of Centel, a position he held until being named senior vice president and chief financial officer in September 1982.

Before joining Centel, Irminger served as vice president - finance for Permaneer Corporation and as comptroller for Boise Cascade Corporation. He also served in various auditing positions with Arthur Andersen & Co.

Irminger has a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

Chicago-based Centel Corporation, which had 1989 revenues of $1.19 billion, provides local exchange telephone service in nine states through more than 1.6 million access lines; operates cellular communications franchises that serve nearly 150,000 access lines in 45 markets in 15 states, and supplies electric power to more than 136,000 customers in two states.

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#90283p3410 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - As federal lands set-asides prompt crucial decisions about Washington's forests, the public should not lose sight of the importance of privately-owned forestlands to the state's economy and environment, George H. Weyerhaeuser told the Seattle Rotary Club today.

Weyerhaeuser, chief executive officer and chairman of the board of the Weyerhaeuser Co. (NYSE: WY), said there are two forest products industries in Washington state -- one that relies for its log supply on public lands and one that relies primarily on privately-owned lands. Last year, private forestlands -- which account for just less that half of Washington's forestlands -- provided two-thirds of the state's timber harvest.

Decisions being made about harvests from public lands will have major impacts on some mills and their communities, Weyerhaeuser said. However, policies designed to help these public lands-dependent mills should not be allowed to harm the forest industry that relies on privately-owned forestland, he said.

"Public policy needs to take a longer view," he said. "For the forestland owner, who must plan for a 50-year harvest cycle, heat-of-the-moment policy shifts can be devastating."

As an example of how public policy priorities can rapidly shift, Weyerhaeuser used an analogy from Seattle's economic downturn in the 1970s.

"Just 20 years ago... there were signs that read: 'Will the last one out of Seattle please turn out the lights.' Not just two decades later -- less than half the time it takes to grow a tree -- the publicly perceived problem is too many lights."

Weyerhaeuser said the public's views on growth, and policies of the 1970s

aimed at stimulating growth, have shifted dramatically. He urged that public forestland policy should be made with an eye toward the future, as well as the present.

CONTACT: Tom Ambrose of the Weyerhaeuser Co., 206-924-3921

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#90283p3417 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINSTON-SALEM, NC (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - James C. Schroer will join R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. Oct. 22 as executive vice president of marketing and sales.

Schroer, 39, is currently vice president and a partner in the international management consulting firm of Booz, Allen & Hamilton.

Reporting to Schroer will be Yancey W. Ford Jr., executive vice president of sales, and David N. Iauco, senior vice president of marketing.

"We are extremely fortunate to have someone of Jim Schroer's talent and experience join Reynolds Tobacco to direct our overall marketing and sales efforts," said James W. Johnston, chairman and chief executive officer of the company. "Since the spring of this year, Jim has worked closely with us in developing our strategic business plans for the 1990s. He fully understands the importance of effective marketing, trade and retail strategies to make these plans successful and he is totally committed to the direction we've set. Having Jim on our team will help us accomplish our marketplace objectives over the next several years," Johnston said.

Schroer joined Booz, Allen & Hamilton in 1983. He became a principal in the firm in 1986, and a vice president in 1988. As a lead partner in Booz, Allen's marketing and sales department, he has experience across a variety of consumer product businesses, including packaged foods, beverages and tobacco.

Prior to joining Booz, Allen & Hamilton, Schroer was executive vice president of sales of the Broadcast Services Division of Media General; vice president of marketing at Wagner Electric Corp.; and vice president of marketing at STP Corp.

A native of Hammond, Ind., Schroer received a bachelor's degree from Carleton College in Northfield, Minn., in 1973, and a master's degree in business administration from Harvard Business School in 1975.

R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. manufactures and markets one of every three cigarettes sold in the United States. The company's major brands are Winston, Salem, Camel, Vantage, Doral, Magna, More, NOW, Century, Sterling and Ritz.

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#90283p3418 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Keene Corporation (NASDAQ: KEEN) announced today that third quarter sales and earnings improved significantly over the comparable 1989 period.

Third quarter sales increased 51 percent to $6,546,000. Income from continuing operations totaled $1,465,000, or 14 cents per share, compared to $250,000, or 2 cents per share, in the 1989 quarter.

For the first nine months, sales increased 40 percent to $17,791,000. Income from continuing operations increased 72 percent to $5,051,000, or 48 cents per share.

Keene's third-quarter sales and income growth resulted from the continuing improved performance of Reinhold Industries, Keene's only operating division. Reinhold is a leading producer of composite materials, structures and ablatives for aerospace, defense and commercial applications.

Third quarter bookings were $2,890,000 below last year's record rate as a result of the decline in defense spending. In anticipation of this decline, Reinhold last year launched several developmental projects as part of its ongoing metals-replacement program for commercial markets. Some of these projects have already produced orders and contributed to Reinhold's increased third quarter sales and earnings.

ASBESTOS LITIGATION

There have been major changes in the direction and amounts of asbestos-related litigation expenditures, according to Keene. In the third quarter, Keene spent $2.8 million for indemnities and $6.5 million for defense legal fees, dramatically different form second quarter expenditures of $14.2 million for indemnities and $2.9 million for defense legal fees.

Keene makes settlements only on meritorious cases, agreeing to amounts based on specific disease ailments and national geographic locations.

"Third quarter payments reflect the results of this compensation program, and we are continuing our efforts to improve these results even further," reported Keene Chairman Glenn W. Bailey.

Legal defense costs were much higher in the third quarter, but Keene is developing a cost control system which should substantially reduce legal fees while maintaining a strong defense posture, Bailey pointed out.

KEENE CORPORATION STATEMENT OF SALES AND EARNINGS
(In 000s, except per share data)

Periods ended Sept. 30,	Three months 1990	Three months 1989	Nine months 1990	Nine months 1989
Net sales	$6,546	$4,340	$17,791	$12,663
Income from cont. opers.	1,465	250	5,051	2,935
Net income (loss)	1,465	(1,556)(A)	5,051	1,151
Pro forma EPS:				
Continuing operations	$0.14	$0.02	$0.48	$0.28
Net income	0.14	(0.15)(A)	$0.48	0.11
Pro forma shares outstanding	10,442	10,452	10,449	10,452

(A) -- Loss attributable to discontinuance of Keene's metal products operations.

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#90283p3427 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURLINGAME, CA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - In a series of related announcements, Motorola's Microprocessor Products Group today underscored its long-term commitment to competing in the reduced- instruction-set computing (RISC) market.

"Over the next few years, we'll be bringing to market the most powerful RISC processors commercially available," said Jeff Nutt, marketing manager of the 88000 family. "Motorola is committed to a sustained and aggressive program to bring the 88000 to the desktop," he continued.

At the Microprocessor Forum here, Motorola described, in general terms and for the first time, the architecture of its second-generation RISC CPU, designated the 88110. Scheduled for introduction next year, and containing more than 1.4 million transistors, the 88110 will not only perform the combined functions of its software-compatible predecessors, the 88100 CPU and the 88200 cache and memory management units -- but it will perform them three to five times faster.

In addition, the 88110 will feature multiple integer, floating-point and graphics execution units, an 80-bit wide internal data path, improved handling of instructions sustaining more than one instruction per clock, and branch acceleration to maintain continuous execution. It will be fabricated with a 0.8-micron HCMOS process. Essentially, the 88110 will be a turbocharged, single-chip version of the 88100/88200 chip set.

At the 88110 introduction in 1991, Motorola will be providing a complete suite of development tools and support chips including C-compilers, assemblers and application development systems.

Motorola's 88000 architects see the leap in performance expected from the 88110 as but the first phase of an evolution. The third- generation CPU, also in design, will have more execution units, a wider data path, and even greater parallelism. It will be fabricated in BiCMOS and approach speeds of 100 MHz.

Assuming a quadrupling of performance by each new generation, 88000 engines of the late 1990s will be single-chip multiprocessors containing 100 million transistors clocked at 300 MHz. Motorola's engineers see a RISC chip with a throughput exceeding 4,000 MIPS as a distinct possibility by the year 2000.

Motorola also disclosed the development of a line of 88000-based embedded RISC processors. Named the 88300 family, these embedded RISC processors will retain software compatibility with 88000 CPUs and provide integrated single-chip solutions targeted for embedded control applications.

Motorola is one of the world's leading suppliers of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets.

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#90283p3432 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Macmillan, Inc. announced today that it had signed a letter of intent to sell its P.F. Collier, Inc. subsidiary to Bibliographisches Institut & F.A. Brockhaus AG. P.F. Collier is one of the largest encyclopedia publishing companies in America.

P.F. Collier is best known for its Collier's Encyclopedia, a 24- volume set, and Merit Students Encyclopedia. They are sold in more than 30 countries, including the United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand.

Included in the sale is the British company Caxton & English Educational Programs International Limited which sells Collier's Encyclopedia in the United Kingdom.

It is anticipated that a definitive agreement will be executed by the parties by Nov. 15, 1990, and that the transaction will be complete within 30 days thereafter. Price was not disclosed.

Macmillan Inc. is a subsidiary of Maxwell Communication Corporation, one of the world's leading professional publishing and information businesses.

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#90283p3433 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
WACO, TEXAS (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - ASK Corporation (NASDAQ: ASKC) said today that it has moved closer to a decision to re-enter the solar thermal market through its American Solar King Corp. subsidiary.

ASK had previously announced that it was considering reactivating American Solar King Corp. pending a study of market conditions and discussions with various investment advisors.

ASK said continuing price increases in world oil markets, the probability of sustained high oil prices and increased public support for solar and alternative energies have strengthened market potential for solar products.

ASK also said various investment sources have expressed enthusiasm for reactivating solar manufacturing and market operations The company said, however, a complete study has not been finalized and a firm decision has not yet been made.

ASK said it has broken off negotiations with the Sheet Metal Workers' National Pension Fund and another institution regarding a previously announced infusion of capital because, as previously announced, the capital would be primarily used for the acquisition of certain technologies and the equity of another company.

In view of current circumstances, ASK now believes such an investment would not be in its long term best interests.

CONTACT: Brian D. Pardo of ASK Corp., 817-776-3860

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#90283p3438 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO, (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) today announced it has been awarded a contract to provide long-distance services to more than 5,500 room phones and public pay phones at 231 Travelodges across North America.

The contract is valued at approximately $3.4 million. An additional 200 independently owned and operated Travelodges also will have the option to offer AT&T Long Distance Service under the contract terms.

Under the contract, AT&T will provide 24-hour operator services for calling card, person-to-person, billed-to-third number and collect calling service from all guest rooms and public pay phones in participating Travelodge locations.

"We are constantly looking at ways to enhance our guest services," said Bill

Hanly, executive vice president of sales and marketing, Trusthouse Forte Hotels, the company that operates Travelodge. "AT&T Long Distance Service provides our guests the quality they have come to expect from Travelodge."

AT&T currently provides long-distance service at 17 of the 20 largest hotel and motel chains in the country. Travelodge is the 16th largest hotel chain in the United States and also operates more than 100 properties in Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico and Great Britain. Travelodge is a subsidiary of London-based hotel and catering giant Trusthouse Forte PLC.

AT&T customers calling from hotels, motels, airports and other locations that have not selected AT&T need to dial an access code -- 10+ATT+0 -- and the area code and number they are calling to reach AT&T.

CONTACT: Mark Siegel of AT&T, 201-221-8413, or Chris Cullen of Trusthouse Forte Hotels, 619-448-1884

-30- 1837

#90283p3439 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Dayton Hudson Corporation (NYSE: DH) today declared its regular quarterly dividend of 33 cents per common share. The dividend is payable Dec. 10, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 20.

The fourth-quarter dividend on common shares will be Dayton Hudson's 93rd consecutive dividend paid since October 1967, when the corporation became publicly held. Dayton Hudson has increased the dividend on common shares annually for 18 consecutive years.

CONTACT: Media: Ann H. Barkelew, 612-370-6600; Investor: Pamela A. Jameson, 612-370-5529, or Susan Kahn, 612-370-6735, all of Dayton Hudson Corporation

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#90283p3441 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELK GROVE VILLAGE, ILL. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - AAR Corp. (NYSE: AIR) has announced that it has been contacted by the New York Stock Exchange for comments concerning trading activity in the company's stock.

The company responded that it knows of no developments that account for recent trading activity.

AAR Corp. is a leading supplier of aerospace/aviation products and services. The company primarily distributes parts and equipment, performs technical services, and manufactures proprietary products for the aviation industry in the United States and abroad.

CONTACT: Office of the chairman of AAR, 708-439-3939

-30- 781

#90283p3444 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors Acceptance Corporation announced today that it will exercise its option to redeem on Dec. 1, 1990, all of its outstanding 9-3/8-percent Notes due to mature Dec. 1, 1992. The Notes will be redeemed at 100 percent of their principal amount.

The Notes were sold in November 1987 in the amount of $250 million, all of which are presently outstanding.

The Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment to Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, 30 W. Broadway, New York, NY 10015, Attention: Bond Redemption Department, 13th Floor. Interest on the Notes will cease to accrue on and after Dec. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: Michael D. Mangan of GMAC, 313-974-1223

-30- 867

#90283p3449 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGTON HILLS, MI. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Michigan National Corp. (OTC: MNCO) announced today that it expects to report third- quarter earnings of approximately $8 million after its regularly scheduled board meeting on Oct. 17, 1990.

At the end of the third quarter, it is expected that the equity to asset ratio will be in excess of 6.5 percent, the allowance to non- performing loans will be in excess of 90 percent and the allowance to loan ratio will be in excess of 1.8 percent.

The company continues to focus on maintaining a strong balance sheet. The reduction in earnings from the second quarter is mainly due to an increase in the provision for loan losses of approximately $10 million. The increased provision is a result of an increase in the non-performing assets of the company. Non-performing loans have increased from approximately $132 million at June 30, 1990, to approximately $140 million by Sept. 30, 1990, representing approximately 2 percent of total loans. Net charge-offs for 1989 (exclusive of charge-offs relating to the company's Bankard portfolio, which was sold in July 1989) totaled $37 million. 1990 year-to-date net charge-offs will be approximately $35 million.

This increase in non-performing loans reflects a softening of the national and regional economies over the last several months, particularly in the real estate market. Further softening may cause increases in non-performing loans. As a result, the company is continuing its scrutiny of the commercial and

real estate loan portfolios and is embarking on a loan-by-loan review of significant commercial and real estate relationships. The company will continue to closely monitor these relationships on an ongoing basis.

Michigan National Corp. is a diversified financial services corporation with total assets of $11.6 billion. It is a bank holding and a savings and loan holding company.

Michigan National Corporation's principal subsidiary, Michigan National Bank, has 200 branches throughout Michigan and operates the state's largest automated teller machine network.

Among its other affiliates are: Beverly Hills Federal Savings Bank which operates six branch offices in Southern California; First State Bank and Trust in Port Lavaca and Bay City, Texas; Independence One Mortgage Corporation which originates residential mortgages through 22 offices in nine states; Independence One Capital Management Corp. offers a full spectrum of research-driven advisory services, including fixed income, equities and balanced accounts; Independence One Brokerage Services, Inc. which offers brokerage services for stocks, bonds, mutual funds, unit investment trusts, government securities and other investments; and Independence One Financial Services, Inc., a commercial lender serving small businesses in the Northeast. Michigan National Corporation has its headquarters in Farmington Hills.

CONTACT: Ariadne Magoulias, 313-473-3428, or W. David Tull or Vernon Patterson, 313-473-3076, all of Michigan National Corp.

-30- 3254

#90283p3450 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGTON HILLS, MICH. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Michigan National Corp. (OTC: MNCO) announced today that it expects to report third- quarter earnings of approximately $8 million after its regularly scheduled board meeting on Oct. 17, 1990.

At the end of the third quarter, it is expected that the equity to asset ratio will be in excess of 6.5 percent, the allowance to non- performing loans will be in excess of 90 percent and the allowance to loan ratio will be in excess of 1.8 percent.

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Vernon Patterson, 313-473-3076, all of Michigan National Corp.

-30- 3268

#90283p3459 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The trustee for Cardinal Industries told the bankruptcy court here today that he is considering seeking a "financial backer" to provide up to $15 million in a trustee- sponsored reorganization plan. He said he also is considering bank financing to help bring the giant, Columbus-based motel and apartment owner and management company out of Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings within a year.

Jay Alix, court-appointed operating trustee for Cardinal, said the equity investor or the lender of what is called "debtor in possession" financing would need to be granted "superior priority" status, under bankruptcy provisions, guaranteeing repayment with interest before any other creditors.

An investor also may receive a percentage share with creditors on the overall recovery by unsecured creditors, he said in his report to U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Barbara Sellers.

The cash infusion would be used to help finance Cardinal's operations before and after it emerges from bankruptcy reorganization next fall, Alix said. The funds would be used during the reorganization to fund part of Cardinal's overall financial requirements, including an estimated $10 million in professional fees, $4 million in partnership plans of reorganization and $1 million in general partnership operation costs.

Alix told the court that generally all of his programs and turnaround teams' efforts have been successful in cutting corporate overhead, raising revenues and surpassing all budgets and targets, except in the area of proceeds from real estate sales due to poor market conditions. Distinguishing the only problem as one of liquidity and not of overall value, Alix said he had many new programs, and work is under way to create liquidity in the company.

The financial projections predict that the company could emerge from bankruptcy with a gross value between $243.5 million and $323.5 million at Sept. 1, 1991, Alix said, and a net value then for the unsecured creditors ranging from $46.5 million to $75.5 million, or 15 cents to 45 cents on the dollar, or more.

Cardinal would be a general partner, property manager and owner of apartment complexes primarily, he said, and would retain ownership or general partner interests in at least 461 unsyndicated and syndicated properties with a potential equity value to Cardinal of $113 million at Sept. 1, 1991.

Cardinal was the nation's largest producer of modular homes before filing May 15, 1989, for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy code, and was general partner of more than 800 limited partnerships controlling 1,000 apartment complexes, Knights Inn and Arborgate Inn motels and retirement villages worth more than $2 billion.

CONTACT: Don Durocher or Brooke Isberg of Durocher & Company, Inc., 313-259-7414, for Cardinal Industries, Inc.

-30- 3062

#90283p3463 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Two Gannett (NYSE: GCI) editors were named to new positions today.

Anne M. Saul, formerly executive editor at the Pensacola (Fla.) News Journal, becomes news system editor for the Newspaper Division of Gannett Co., Inc.

Curtis Coghlan, who has been executive editor at The Jackson (Tenn.) Sun,

replaces Saul in Pensacola.

Saul, 46, began her newspaper career as a reporter in Pensacola in May 1966. In September 1969 she joined Today in Cocoa, Fla., where she worked through the ranks to become managing editor. In July 1982 she joined USA Today in Arlington as news editor and later was operations editor/cover stories. In April 1986 she was named managing editor/south at Gannett News Service, and she became executive editor in Pensacola in August 1987.

Saul was member of a 1988 Gannett task force that studied the future of technology in newsrooms. In her new position she will join the News Department of the Newspaper Division and will work with Gannett publishers, top editors and systems editors on news systems, electronic photo editing, news-systems training and related systems matters.

Coghlan, 34, has been at The Jackson Sun since April 1987 when he was named managing editor. He became executive editor in May 1988. He had previous reporting and editing experience at Gannett's Jackson (Miss.) Daily News, which since has combined with The Clarion-Ledger.

Last year, under Coghlan's leadership, The Jackson Sun won the award for best newspaper in the under-40,000-circulation category in Best of Gannett competition. The Sun also was rated one of the country's top 14 newspapers under 50,000 circulation in American Society of Newspaper Editors' judging in 1989.

Coghlan's replacement in Jackson will be named shortly. Gannett is a nationwide news and information company that publishes 82 daily newspapers, including USA Today, and USA Weekend, a newspaper magazine. It also operates 10 television stations, 15 radio stations, and the largest outdoor advertising company in North America.

CONTACT: Mimi Feller, 703-284-6046, or at home, 202-363-4335, or Sheila Gibbons, 703-284-6048, or at home, 301-445-3231, both of Gannet

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#90283p3464 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

GASTONIA, N.C. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PSNC) the Gastonia-based natural gas utility, has announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, PSNC Propane Corporation, has signed an agreement to acquire the propane gas operating assets of Kenan Oil Company, Inc., (NASDAQ-NMS: KTCO) which is based in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. No terms of the agreement have been announced.

Kenan has been distributing propane gas to customers in its service areas since 1966. Kenan currently serves approximately 4,200 propane gas customers with sales of approximately three million gallons annually. PSNC Propane

Corporation will be utilizing most of Kenan's current propane gas employees, along with other PSNC Propane Corporation personnel, to fulfill these customers' energy requirements and provide them additional services.

Public Service Company's president, Charles E. Ziegler, Jr., states, "We are excited about the strategic addition of Kenan's propane operations in Apex, Chapel Hill, Creedmoor, Durham, Hillsborough, Pittsboro and Roxboro. They will enhance Public Service Company's existing dual capabilities of natural gas and propane gas service in Chatham, Durham, Granville, Orange, Person and Wake counties. Additionally, this acquisition will increase PSNC Propane Corporation's total customers to approximately 14,000 in 33 North Carolina counties."

Owen G. Kenan, president of Kenan Oil Company, states, "Kenan Oil will use the proceeds to focus more on its gasoline, distillates (heating oil) and commercial real estate operations which have been expanding in recent years. This is a very positive strategic move for Kenan Oil which positions us well for the future."

Public Service Company distributes natural gas to approximately 230,000 customers in 87 cities, towns and communities in 26 counties ranging from the Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill areas in the northeast; the Concord, Statesville, Gastonia and Forest City areas in the Piedmont; to the Asheville, Hendersonville and Brevard areas in the western part of the state. Public Service Company, through subsidiaries of its wholly owned subsidiary, PSNC Natural Resources Corporation, also participates in oil and gas exploration and production, and retails propane gas.

CONTACT: Charles E. Ziegler, Jr., President and Chief Operating Officer, Public Service Company of North Carolina, 704-864-6731

-30- 2642
#90283p3469 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Central and South West Corp. (NYSE: CSR) said today that its Central Power and Light Co. unit received a favorable decision Oct. 9 in a rate case covering costs for Unit 1 of the South Texas Project nuclear power plant.

The Texas Public Utility Commission in a 2-1 decision affirmed a stipulated settlement that CPL and the majority of intervenors in the case signed in March 1990. Under that agreement, CPL has been collecting $144 million of interim rates to pay for costs of Unit 1. The PUC's decision makes those rates permanent.

The PUC permitted CPL to include in its rate base all of its investment in Unit 1. The commission also allowed CPL to recognize income due to the deferral of carrying costs to the extent interest charges were incurred for

Unit 1 and Unit 2.

The stipulated agreement calls for CPL to increase rates by a total of $264 million in two steps. CPL has a rate request pending before the PUC for an increase of $120 million on Jan. 1, 1991, to begin recovering its costs for Unit 2 of STP. CPL expects a decision in that case in December.

If the PUC approves the second increase, CPL's retail base rates would be frozen through 1994, barring any specified unusual circumstances. CPL's fuel charges would continue to be adjusted according to commission rules.

Central and South West said it would include the effects of the Unit 1 final order in its third quarter financial results, which it expects to release Oct. 18.

Central and South West Corp., a Dallas-based public utility holding company, owns Central Power and Light Co. and three other electric operating subsidiaries. These companies serve customers in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas. Central and South West also owns an Oklahoma intrastate gas pipeline subsidiary and five other companies.

CONTACT: Gerald R. Hunter of Central and South West Corp., 214-754-1165

-30- 2119

#90283p3473 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, N.Y. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael Mortimer, MHP Machines, Inc. president, today announced that on Friday, Oct. 5, Eastern Shore Consolidated Industries, Inc. notified MHP Machines, Inc. that it was terminating its agreement with MHP dated July 23, 1990. This results in the tender offer by Eastern Shore being terminated as of Oct. 5.

CONTACT: Michael Mortimer, president and CFO of MHP Machines, 716-668-0221

-30- 594

#90283p3479 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Liberty National Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: LNBC) has announced a dividend of 23.5 cents per share. This dividend is payable November 1, 1990 to all shareholders of record as of the close of business on October 22, 1990.

CONTACT: Kathleen Emison, Public Relations Officer, Liberty National Bancorp, Inc., 502-566-2166

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#90283p3483 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Datapoint Corp. (NYSE: DPT) today announced the resignation of Kenneth R. Kamp, vice president and chief financial officer. Kamp plans to accept another position in business in the immediate future.

Kamp joined Datapoint in 1984. He has served as the company's senior financial officer during the past two years and was elected a vice president earlier this year.

CONTACT: Tom Drohan of Datapoint Corp., 512-699-7900

-30- 637

#90283p3484 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASSAU, BAHAMAS (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - British-American Insurance Co. Ltd., Nassau, Bahamas, announces that today it has been informed by the Wilmington Trust Company, Trustee of the McMillen Trust and holder of 65 percent of the outstanding common shares of British-American, that the Trustee had earlier today informed the Delaware Court of Chancery that it would do what it could to delay the payment of a dividend of $3.00 per share on the common stock of British-American, declared by the Directors on October 1, 1990.

British-American was further informed today that the Chancery Court had authorized the Trustee to exercise its rights as a shareholder in connection with its efforts to delay the payment of the dividend on October 12.

The Trustee has requested the Directors to postpone the dividend payment until November 6. The Directors have informed the Trustee that they decline to postpone the dividend payment.

The Trustee has informed the Directors that, more likely than not, it will do what the Chancery Court has authorized, but the Directors have not been informed by the Trustee what course of action, if any, it might pursue.

The Directors fully support the declaration and payment of the dividend and the equitable sharing of corporate profits on a pro-rata and fair basis with all of the company's shareholders, but they are unable to predict whether the Trustee will proceed with its stated intention or whether and to what extent any effort will succeed in delaying the payment of the dividend on Friday, October 12.

CONTACT: Judy Higgs, Secretary, British-American Insurance Company, 809-322-2694

-30- 1838

#90283p3485 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Network Peripherals Inc. today announced two network interface boards that are the first products to bring Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI) technology to personal workstations.

The boards connect an individual workstation or server to an FDDI network, greatly improving transfers for data-intensive applications such as graphics, modeling, computer-aided design and server-to-server communication. The two boards support workstations based on the AT bus architecture and the Extended Industry Standard Architecture (EISA) bus.

The cards represent a breakthrough in FDDI connectivity in two respects. First, they employ a highly integrated, second-generation design that puts the FDDI interface on a single board. In addition, they are the first FDDI adapter cards with extensive support for different operating system environments.

FDDI is an ANSI-standard network design that moves data at 100 megabits per second (Mbs), or 10 times the rate of Ethernet networks. In addition to advantages of greater speed and bandwidth, FDDI also provides improved network-management capabilities, supports very large networks, and allows connections over longer distances.

Network Peripherals' NP-EISA interface card connects an EISA-based workstation or server to an FDDI network. It produces the highest rate of data delivery available on an EISA workstation, by combining FDDI's 100 Mbs speed with EISA's 33 megabyte-per-second burst-mode transfer. The NP-AT card attaches an AT-based workstation to an FDDI network.

The EISA interface card includes software drivers for several network operating systems -- Novell NetWare 386 and NetWare 2.1X, Microsoft LAN Manager 2.0, and Sun Microsystems PC-NFS. The AT card includes all of the above, plus RISC/os from MIPS Computer Systems.

The boards can be used in either of two configurations. One board in a workstation creates a single-attach station (SAS), joining the workstation to an FDDI network through an FDDI concentrator. Two boards create a dual-attach station (DAS), with the workstation connected directly to an FDDI dual ring.

Both cards fully integrate the station management (SMT) functions of the FDDI standard, which improve management of large networks. Network Peripherals has embedded SMT functions in an on-board processor, which improves performance and assures reliability in different operating environments. The boards also include extensive installation and diagnostic tools.

The existing FDDI standard calls for fiber-optic cable as the transmission medium. Network Peripherals is part of a five-company effort -- organized by SynOptics Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: SNPX) -- to also put FDDI on shielded

twisted-pair wire, which is lower cost and more widely installed than fiber-optic cable.

The AT interface card is $3,495 and available now. The EISA card is $3,995 and will be available in December 1990.

Network Peripherals Inc. (NPI) is a one-year-old company whose mission is to develop, market and support high-performance connectivity products that enhance the productivity of personal workstation users.

CONTACT: Gordon L. Stitt of Network Peripherals, 408-954-8030; or Bob Michelet of Regis McKenna, 612-332-0411, for Network Peripherals

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#90283p3486 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN RAFAEL, CA (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Software Toolwork (NASDAQ: TWRX) announced today that in light of the current economic environment, combined with the oversupply and severe price pressures on many Nintendo titles, it has established significant reserves to reflect price protection adjustments to past sales and potential product returns from three distributors.

The company said that price adjustments for prior sales will be necessary to facilitate discounting by the retailers and that one-time returns of slow-moving titles from these three distributors may be accepted for redistribution through the retail channel. The company added that results for the second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were also adversely affected by delays in the delivery of certain new Nintendo titles from Nintendo of Japan. Accordingly, the company expects to report a loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

"The uncertain state of the economy is impacting our consumer products business," said Leslie Crane, chairman and chief executive officer. "It is now clear to us that retailers have reduced their estimates of consumer spending this Christmas season, which is typically our strongest period. Recent world events, combined with fears about the economy in general, have created an uncertainty reflected in the buying patterns of certain retailers as they prepare for the holiday period."

The company further stated that it believes its operating results for the Dec. 31, 1990, quarter and its full fiscal year ending March 31, 1991, will fall significantly below the published forecasts of financial analysts. "While retailers are enthusiastic about our new product, The Miracle Piano Teaching System, they are ordering conservatively to test consumer acceptance as the holidays approach," said Crane. He also indicated that sales have been affected by delays in the delivery of the Nintendo Miracle cartridges from Japan and the product is now expected to begin shipping by mid to late November rather than the previously anticipated late October target. Crane

stated, "Due to these factors we currently expect to sell less than the previously estimated 60,000 to 100,000 units. Meanwhile, our long-term commitment to this product requires significant expenditures. While we firmly believe these expenses are essential to the success of The Miracle, the anticipated shortfall in sales will contribute to disappointing results this year."

"Visibility in this environment is limited, so investors must not rely upon previous forecasts or projections," said Crane. "The actions we have taken are a necessary response to this disappointing retail environment. These measures should ultimately strengthen our balance sheet and in turn support the growth of each of our business segments." Crane added, "We remain optimistic about the fundamentals of our company and its product lines. We are pleased with the results of our OEM, PC disk-based and CD ROM software business segments. Our financial condition remains solid, with cash and equivalents of approximately $30 million at Sept. 30, 1990. We believe we are well-positioned for the long term."

CONTACT: Les Crane of The Software Toolworks, 415-883-3000

-30- 3431

#90283p3491 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Liberty National Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: LNBC) announced today net income of $23.6 million for the first nine months of 1990 and $6.5 million for the third quarter of 1990.

For the first nine months in 1990, net income was $23.6 million, compared to $23.8 million for the same period in 1989. Fully diluted net income per share for the first nine months of 1990 decreased 6.6 percent to $1.97, compared to $2.11 in 1989. Primary net income per share for the first nine months of 1990 decreased 7.7 percent to $2.05 from $2.22 for the same period in 1989.

Net income for the third quarter was $6.5 million, compared to $8.0 million for the same period in 1989. Fully diluted net income per share in the third quarter decreased 22.5 percent to $0.55 versus $0.71 reported for the same period of 1989. Primary net income per share for the third quarter of 1990 decreased 25.3 percent to $0.56 from $0.75.

Commenting on the earnings performance, Chairman Joseph W. Phelps stated, "We anticipated a larger than usual third quarter provision for loan losses in our August 1, 1990 announcement. While the $7.8 million third quarter provision for loan losses had an adverse effect on our earnings performance, we continue to support this conservative posture which should minimize the possibility of encountering the unexpected difficulties that other banks have recently reported in uncertain economic times. Liberty's return on assets was 0.89 percent and return on equity was 12.17 percent for the first nine months of

1990."

As of September 30, 1990, Liberty's total assets were $3.6 billion, which represents a $368 million, or 11.5 percent, increase over the same date in 1989. Stockholders' equity was $268.9 million as of September 30, 1990, an increase of $33.9 million, or 14.4 percent, over the $235 million reported as of September 30, 1989.

CONTACT: Kathleen Emison, Public Relations Officer, 502-566-2166
Carl E. Weigel, Treasurer, 502-566-2510, both of Liberty National
Bancorp, Inc.

-30- 2264

#90283p3492 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Mayor Michael R. White today chastised ABC Entertainment for its commercial promoting the series Coach in which Cleveland was made the brunt of a joke.

The spot, aired at halftime during the Oct. 8 Monday Night Football game between the Cleveland Browns and the Denver Broncos, featured Jerry Van Dyke quipping about the matchup, "I think the problem with Cleveland is, even if you win you lose. You still got to go home to Cleveland."

In response, White wrote to ABC Entertainment President Robert A. Iger expressing his anger over the network's insensitivity in running the egregious commercial. "Any comedian or comedy show that uses Cleveland as the punchline for a joke has never visited our city and is relying on what has been for years the crutch of feeble comedians," the mayor wrote.

White has asked Iger for a formal, national apology. Ideally, he would like the apology aired during the Oct. 22 Monday Night Football game in which the Browns play the Cincinnati Bengals.

CONTACT: Alan Seifullah, 216-664-2238, or Mary Rose Coburn,
216-664-2239, both of the mayor's office

-30- 1324

#90283p3497 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELGIN, ILL. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - William H. Murphy, president of Katy Industries, Inc. (NYSE: KT), today announced that litigation has been filed against one of its subsidiaries relating to the subsidiary's operation of a waste-to-energy facility in Davis County, Utah. The lawsuit, which was filed by the Special Service District which owns the facility, alleges contractual breaches and fraudulent conduct by the unit and seeks termination of a long-term operating contract as well as compensatory and punitive damages. The company's counsel is conducting an investigation into the allegations.

Last year the Katy subsidiary which constructed the facility filed a multimillion-dollar lawsuit against the same district, alleging that the district had defaulted in its obligations to make full payment for construction of the waste-to-energy facility. The lawsuit is presently pending.

Katy Industries, Inc., with consolidated sales approaching $200 million, is a major diversified corporation with interests in consumer products, industrial machinery, industrial components, energy resources and equity investments. Katy common and preferred shares (Class B) are listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Jacob Saliba, chairman and CEO, 617-266-4100, or William H. Murphy, president and COO, or J. Russell Jones, treasurer, 312-379-1121, all of Katy Industries

-30- 1564

#90283p3501 10/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. (OCT. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Glaxo Inc. will assume sole responsibility within Glaxo's worldwide operations for research into new medicines to treat cancer, inflammatory diseases, and metabolic disorders, the pharmaceutical company announced today.

The shift in the strategic focus of Glaxo's global research effort means that research programs in these areas currently under way in other Glaxo companies around the world will be transferred to the United States.

At the same time, Glaxo Inc.'s research programs in cardiovascular disease will be transferred to Glaxo scientists in the United Kingdom, home of Glaxo Inc.'s parent company, Glaxo Holdings p.l.c. (NYSE: GLX).

Charles A. Sanders, M.D., Glaxo Inc. chief executive officer, said the realignment would take advantage of the research strengths in both the United States and the United Kingdom.

Strong programs in respiratory and central nervous system disorders that are in place in the United Kingdom will be enhanced by the addition of programs centering on cardiovascular disease, Sanders said.

Glaxo Inc., meanwhile is better positioned to take advantage of rapid advances in the United States in the areas of molecular biology and biotechnology, he added. Each field is important to the study of cancer, inflammatory diseases like arthritis and such metabolic disorders as diabetes, osteoprosis and obesity.

"We think this is a significant opportunity for Glaxo Inc. to put in place a

first-class research function in therapeutic areas of critical importance to vast numbers of patients," Sanders said. "This represents another step in bringing our still-young R&D function to full maturity."

The new Glaxo Inc. Research Institute, created last week, provided the opportunity to refine the U.S. research and development operation, Sanders said. The institute will be temporarily headed by Dr. Richard B. Sykes, who will retain his responsibilities as director of worldwide R&D for Glaxo.

The announcement comes as Glaxo Inc. is preparing to dedicate its 1.5-million-squarefoot R&D facility in Research Triangle Park on October 18. Sanders said that both the new 10-building, $350 million complex and the redefined U.S. research effort were symbolic of Glaxo's global commitment to discovering and developing important new medicines.

Glaxo Inc. manufactures and markets prescription medicines, including those for the treatment of gastrointestinal disorders, respiratory ailments, cardiovascular diseases, infectious diseases and diseases of the skin.

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DETROIT (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors Corporation (NYSE: GM) and the International Union of Electronic Workers (IUE) today reached tentative agreement on a new three-year national labor contract.

In announcing the tentative agreement, Alfred S. Warren Jr., vice president of the GM Industrial Relations Staff praised the dedication and the resourcefulness of the IUE main bargaining team.

"For these past three months, bargainers from both the company and the IUE have had to face a number of difficult and complex issues," Warren said. "However, the dedication and efforts of everyone at the bargaining table has resulted in an agreement which serves the best interests of both the corporation and the GM employees represented by the IUE," he said.

While details of the tentative pact will not be made public pending ratification, Warren said the new agreement provided for improvements of an already excellent wage and benefit package as well as increased job and income security. At the same time, he said the tentative agreement also provided sufficient flexibility to allow the corporation to make substantial gains in quality, productivity, and competitiveness.

The tentative agreement was reached at approximately 8:30 p.m. EDT, just three-and-one-half-hours before an extension of the current agreement was set to expire. GM and the IUE had agreed to extend the current pact from its

original expiration date of Sept. 14, 1990, to allow bargainers to continue to negotiate both national and local supplemental agreements. Bargaining between the two organizations formally began on July 19, 1990.

The IUE represents more than 22,000 GM hourly workers at plants in Warren, Dayton, Kettering, and Moraine, all in Ohio; Rochester, N.Y.; New Brunswick, N.J.; and Clinton and Brookhaven, Miss.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 10) TASS -

THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT IS TODAY DISCUSSING THE FIRST READING OF A BILL ON EMPLOYMENT.

THE DOCUMENT DETERMINES THE LEGAL, ECONOMIC AND ORGANISATIONAL FOUNDATIONS OF EMPLOYMENT IN CONDITIONS OF A REGULATED MARKET ECONOMY.

PRESENTING THE BILL, CHAIRMAN OF THE SOVIET STATE COMMITTEE FOR LABOUR AND SOCIAL ISSUES VLADIMIR SHCHERBAKOV NOTED THAT THE BILL SECURES THE "EXCLUSIVE RIGHT OF A PERSON TO COMMAND HIS ABILITY FOR WORK AND DOES AWAY WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMPULSION FOR WORK".

HE SAID THE LABOUR MARKET GIVES ADVANTAGES TO THOSE WHO HAVE HIGHER AND MORE VERSATILE QUALIFICATIONS AND ARE NOTABLE FOR THEIR DILIGENCE, HONESTY AND HARD WORK.

SHCHERFAKOV SAID THE BILL ENVISAGES THE CREATION OF A RAMIFIED STATE EMPLOYMENT SYSTEM WHICH WILL SEARCH FOR JOBS, ANALYSE THE LABOUR MARKET, FORECAST THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE JOB SYSTEM, DEAL WITH VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE, TRAIN AND RETRAIN PEOPLE AND EMPLOY THEM.

THE BILL WAS WORKED OUT BY THE GOVERNMENT TOGETHER WITH THE COUNTRY'S CENTRAL TRADE UNION COUNCIL, BUT THEY FAILED TO AGREE ON A NUMBER OF ISSUES. THE MAIN DIFFERENCE LIES IN THE SIZE OF UNEMPLOYMENT ALLOWANCES. THE GOVERNMENT SUGGESTS THAT THE MINIMUM ALLOWANCE AMOUNT TO 80 ROUBLES A MONTH, WITH UNION REPUBLICS EMPOWERED TO INCREASE THEM IN ACCORDANCE WITH A PERSON'S LENGTH OF SERVICE.

THE CENTRAL TRADE UNION COUNCIL INSISTS ON THE INTRODUCTION OF A SCALE, ACCORDING TO WHICH THE ALLOWANCE IS CUT DEPENDING ON LENGTH O UNEMPLOYMENT. ACCORDING TO THE COUNCIL, IN THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS THE ALLOWANCE SHOULD AMOUNT TO 70 PER CENT OF A PERSON'S AVERAGE WAGES, IN THE NEXT FOUR MONTHS - 60 PERCENT AND IN THE FOLLOWING SIX MONTHS - 40 PERCENT. BOTH THE GOVERNMENT AND THE COUNCIL PROPOSE THAT THE ALLOWANCE BE PAID FOR A YEAR.

SHCHERBAKOV FAVOURED THE GOVERNMENT'S PLAN, SAYING THAT HIGH ALLOWANCES, PROPOSED BY TRADE UNIONS, MIGHT LEAD TO SOCIAL PARASITIC ATTITUDE.

CHAIRMAN OF THE PARLIAMENT'S COMMISSION FOR LABOUR, PRICES AND SOCIAL POLICY NIKOLAI GRITSENKO DISAGREED. HE SAID THE REGRESSIVE SCALE PROPOSED BY THE TRADE UNIONS TAKES FULLER ACCOUNT OF A PERSON'S LABOUR CONTRIBUTION, AND WILL BECOME A SERIOUS INCENTIVE FOR AN ACTIVE SEARCH FOR WORK, IT WILL ALLOW THE CREATION OF A COMMON MECHANISM FOR ALLOWANCES IN ALL UNION REPUBLICS, WHICH IS IMPORTANT FOR THE FORMATION OF A COMMON LABOUR MARKET, HE SAID.

AFTER THE GOVERNMENT AND PARLIAMENTARY COMMISSIONS DELIVERED THEIR REPORTS, PARLIAMENT BEGAN A DISCUSSION OF THE DOCUMENT, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO LAST UNTIL THE END OF TODAY'S SITTING.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 10) TASS -

MCDONALD'S PRESIDENT GEORGE COHON, VISITING MOSCOW FOR TALKS TO OPEN NEW FAST FOOD RESTAURANTS HERE, HAS DECIDED TO CHANGE A BUSINESSMAN'S SUIT FOR JEANS, A WARM QUILTED JACKET AND RUBBER BOOTS.

COHON TODAY LEAVES FOR A STATE FARM NEAR MOSCOW, WHICH HAS GROWN A GOOD HARVEST OF DUTCH RUSSET BAIRBANKS POTATOES, THE TYPE USED BY THE SOVIET-CANADIAN MOSCOW-MCDONALD'S JOINT ENTERPRISE TO COOK THEIR FAMOUS FRENCH FRIES.

HE TOLD TASS THAT BEFORE THE VISIT HE HAD HEARD ABOUT UNFAVOURABLE WEATHER CONDITIONS IN MOSCOW REGION AND DIFFICULTIES WITH GATHERING IN POTATOES.

"I SAID TO MYSELF: I AM COMING OVER HERE, I HAVE SOME MEETINGS, BUT I WILL SPEND MOST OF THE AFTERNOON IN THE FIELDS. SO WHAT BETTER THING FOR ME TO DO THAN GO AND PICK POTATOES?", HE SAID, NOTING THAT HE BELIEVED THAT IT IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR THE VENTURE'S EMPLOYEES TO SEE HIM TOGETHER WITH THEM IN THE FIELD.

"I'VE NEVER PICKED POTATOES. I AM COMPLETELY INEXPERIENCED. IN THE WESTERN PRESS THERE HAS BEEN TREMENDOUS COVERAGE OF THE POTATO PROBLEM. THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT HEAVY RAINS IN THE MOSCOW AREA, ABOUT PEOPLE PICKING POTATOES. I UNDERSTAND, THE FIELD IS WET, THE EQUIPMENT IS GETTING BOGGED DOWN. SO YOU JUST HAVE TO DIG AND PICK", HE SAID.

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KIEV (OCT. 10) TASS -

AFTER TWO DAYS OF HEATED DEBATES, THE UKRAINIAN PARLIAMENT ADOPTED A RESOLUTION ON REPUBLICAN CITIZENS' MILITARY SERVICE.

THE RESOLUTION ENVISAGES THAT, BEGINNING IN AUTUMN 1990, DRAFTEES WILL BE SENT MAINLY TO ARMY UNITS SITUATED IN THE REPUBLIC.

AN EXCEPTION HAS BEEN MADE ONLY FOR THOSE DRAFTED THIS AUTUMN AND NEXT SPRING TO THE PARTS OF THE SOVIET ARMY AND NAVY ENSURING STRATEGIC DEFENCE IN THE REPUBLIC'S INTERESTS. QUOTAS FOR SUCH DRAFTS HAVE BEEN DETERMINED BY THE REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT.

CITIZENS OF THE REPUBLIC WILL ALSO BE SENT BEYOND ITS BORDERS TO GET SPECIALIST MILITARY TRAINING, ON CONDITION THAT THEY WILL RETURN TO THE REPUBLIC. THE RESOLUTION DOES NOT FORBID CITIZENS FROM SERVING IN OTHER REPUBLICS ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS.

THE PARLIAMENT DECIDED TO BAN THE USE OF UKRAINIAN CITIZENS SERVING IN THE ARMY TO RESOLVE INTERETHNIC AND OTHER CONFLICTS BEYOND THE REPUBLIC'S BORDERS WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE UKRAINIAN PARLIAMENT. THE RESOLUTION INSTRUCTS THE REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT TO ENSURE THE RETURN BETWEEN OCTOBER-NOVEMBER OF ALL CITIZENS SERVING IN SUCH UNITS AND MILITARY BUILDING DETACHMENTS.

THE PARLIAMENT APPROVED A NUMBER OF CASES WHEN PERSONS MIGHT BE EXEMPTED FROM MILITARY SERVICE, WHICH HAD NOT BEEN NAMED IN THE LEGISLATION, INCLUDING THOSE WHOSE FAMILIES HAVE MEMBERS WHO WERE KILLED OR BECAME INVALIDS WHILE PERFORMING MILITARY SERVICE.

THE PARLIAMENT DECIDED TO INTRODUCE STATE INSURANCE OF THE HEALTH AND LIFE OF CITIZENS SERVING IN THE ARMY AND INSTITUTE COMPENSATION IN CASE OF PHYSICAL OR PSYCHOLOGICAL INJURIES. THE REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ALTERNATIVE SERVICE IN THE REPUBLIC BY MAY 1, 1991.

THE PARLIAMENT CONSIDERED IT NECESSARY TO SET UP A STANDING PARLIAMENTARY COMMISSION ON OUTER AND HOME SECURITY AND A PLENIPOTENTIARY DELEGATION TO HOLD CONSULTATIONS WITH THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT, THE UKRAINIAN GOVERNMENT AND THE SOVIET DEFENCE MINISTRY.

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#90283t3298 10/10/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW OCTOBER 10 TASS - PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV MET JOHN PHELAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, AND THE HEADS OF LEADING U.S. FINANCIAL COMPANIES IN THE KREMLIN TODAY.

THE AMERICAN FINANCIERS ARE IN MOSCOW FOR A SOVIET-U.S. SEMINAR ON STOCK EXCHANGES AND THEIR ROLE IN FINANCIAL MARKETS.

AS THE VISITORS SHOWED A KEEN INTEREST IN THE SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY, GORBACHEV BRIEFED THEM IN DETAIL ON MEASURES TO STABILISE THE ECONOMY, CITING IT AS THE GREATEST CHALLENGE. HE SAID THE TIME HAS COME FOR DECISIVE ACTION ON THIS FRONT.

GORBACHEV SAID ACHIEVING ORDER IN FINANCIAL AFFAIRS, STABILISING THE ROUBLE AND MAKING IT CONVERTIBLE IN THE NOT SO DISTANT FUTURE ARE OTHER CRUCIAL TASKS.

THE FINANCIAL POSSIBILITIES OF WESTERN PARTNERS COULD PLAY A USEFUL ROLE IN STABILISING THE SOVIET ECONOMY. THERE SEEMS TO BE A DEGREE OF UNDERSTANDING ON THIS SCORE, WHICH OUGHT TO BE TRANSLATED INTO SPECIFIC ACCORDS WITH DUE REGARD FOR THE FACT THAT MAJOR DEALS ARE BEING PLANNED, INCLUDING THOSE IN THE OIL AND GAS INDUSTRIES AND AIRCRAFT-BUILDING, GORBACHEV SAID.

PHELAN, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE DELEGATION, SAID THE U.S. BUSINESS COMMUNITY IS VERY IMPRESSED BY PLANNED AND CURRENT SOVIET ECONOMIC REFORMS. HE EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR EFFORTS TO SWITCH THE COUNTRY TO A MARKET SYSTEM.

BOTH SIDES EXPRESSED HOPE AT THE END OF THE MEETING FOR MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL COOPERATION BETWEEN SOVIET AND U.S. FINANCIAL QUARTERS, FOR WHICH, IT WAS NOTED, FAVOURABLE OPPORTUNITIES ARE OPENING UP.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - NLCS BOX SCORE:

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi
Larkin ss	5	0	0	0	Backman 3b	4	1	1	0
Hatcher cf	4	0	0	0	JBell ss	4	1	1	1
O'Neill rf	4	1	3	1	VanSlyke cf	4	1	1	1
Davis lf	4	1	1	0	Bonilla rf	3	0	1	0
Morris 1b	4	2	3	0	Bonds lf	4	0	1	0
Sabo 3b	3	1	2	3	Bream 1b	3	0	1	1
Reed c	3	0	0	0	LaValliere c	3	0	0	0
Oliver c	1	0	0	0	Lind 2b	4	0	2	0
Duncan 2b	3	0	1	0	Walk p	2	0	0	0
Benzinger ph	0	0	0	0	Reynolds ph	0	0	0	0
Oester 2b	0	0	0	0	Power p	0	0	0	0
Rijo p	3	0	0	0	King ph	1	0	0	0
Myers p	0	0	0	0					
Quinones ph	0	0	0	1					
Dibble p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	34	5	10	5	Totals	32	3	8	3

Cincinnati 000 200 201-5

Pittsburgh 100 100 010-3

E-Larkin. DP-Cincinnati 1, Pittsburgh 1. LOB-Cincinnati 5, Pittsburgh 6. 2B-Backman, Bream, O'Neill, Bonilla, Morris. HR-O'Neill (1), Sabo (1), J. Bell (1). SB-Backman (1), Van Slyke (1), Bonds (1). CS- Bonilla. SF-Sabo, Quinones.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Rijo (W 1-0)	7	6	3	3	4	7
Myers	1	2	0	0	0	1
Dibble (S 1)	1	0	0	0	0	2
Pittsburgh						
Walk (L 1-1)	7	7	4	4	0	3
Power	2	3	1	1	1	2

Rijo pitched to one batter in 8th.

Umpires-Home, Rennert; 1b, Crawford; 2b, Davis; 3b, Wendelstedt; Lf, McSherry; Rf, Runge.

T-3:00. A-50,461.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

AL Playoffs (Game 4) - Boston at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.
NL Playoffs (Game 5) - Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 8:30 p.m.

GOLF

Las Vegas, Nev. - $1.3 million Las Vegas Invitational

HOCKEY

Buffalo at Hartford, 7:35 p.m.
Washington at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.
Quebec at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Calgary at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Boston at Winnipeg, 8:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Zurich, Switzerland - $350,000 European Ladies Indoors
Tokyo - $1 million Seiko Super Tennis.
Berlin - $300,000 Men's Berlin Tournament

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(OCT. 10) - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Cleveland - Named Mickey White scouting director.

St. Louis - Hired for 1991 season: coaches Bucky Dent, Dave Collins, Joe Coleman and Gaylen Pitts; retained coaches Red Schoendienst and Dave Ricketts.

BASKETBALL

LaCrosse (CBA) - Signed guard Steve Mitchell.

Minnesota - Ssigned guard Gerald Glass to 3-year contract; waived center Glenn Puddy and forward Brian Rowsom;

Seattle - Reached contract agreement with guard Gary Payton.

COLLEGE

Jacksonville - Announced resignation of womens's golf coach John Randall.

New Hampshire - Announced hockey coach Bob Kullen temporarily left team due to medical problems; named Dick Umile interim hockey coach.

Stony Brook - Named Bob Borowicz baseball coach.

Virginia Military Institute - Announced that Athletic Director Eric Heyman will leave at the end of football season to become an associate athletic director at North Carolina State University.

FOOTBALL

Buffalo - Placed defensive back Mark Kelso on injured reserve.

Green Bay - Traded Brent Fullwood to Cleveland for a draft choice.

Miami - Placed safety African Grant on injured reserve; re-signed defensive end Jeff Faulkner; waived linebacker Basil Procter; signed guard-center Stacy Searels to the reserve squad.

NY Jets - Placed guard Dave Cadigan on injured reserve.

World League of American Football - Named seven scouts: Bryan Broaddus, Jeff Beathard, Terry McDonough, Kenny King, Derrick Jensen, Lionel Vital and Mike Maccagnan.

HOCKEY

Hartford - Reached agreement with Kosice of Czechoslovakian Hockey League that will allow defenseman Jergus Baca to play in NHL.

NHL - Announced Milwaukee has withdrawn its application for an expansion franchise.

Philadelphia - Assigned left winger Dale Kushner to Hershey of the American Hockey League.

San Diego (IHL) - Obtained center Darcy Norton and left wing Clark Donatelli on loan from the Minnesota North Stars.

Washington - Sent left wing Bob Joyce to Baltimore of American Hockey League.

SOCCER

Cleveland (MISL) - Signed forward Rudy Pikuzinski.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - President Bush apparently is sticking by his promise NOT to hold grudges against Republicans who helped kill an administration-backed deficit-reduction budget last week. He will hit the campaign trail Wednesday to stump for Southern Republicans... including North Carolina Senator Jesse Helms, who opposed the budget plan. The three-term G-O-P senator is fighting for his political survival.

Another evacuation of Americans from Iraq is scheduled. The State Department says a U-S-chartered 747 jetliner will leave Wednesday for the Iraqi port city of Basra to pick up an estimated 400 U-S citizens and their foreign-born family members. The flight will fly to London and then on to North Carolina Thursday.

Newly uncovered evidence reportedly links Libya to the December 1988 terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103. A published report says government investigators now believe Libyan intelligence agents may have put together and planted the bomb that destroyed the plane in the skies over Scotland. They think the agents were paid by a Syrian-sponsored terrorist group after the group's leader realized Western intelligence had penetrated his operation.

The shuttle Discovery is scheduled to return to Earth Wednesday. The landing at California's Edwards Air Force Base will end a mission highlighted by the successful deployment of the Ulysses solar probe. Unlike recent flights that have ended on dry lakebed landing strips, the astronauts plan to land on a concrete runway. It will be a test of Discovery's new carbon brakes- a post-Challenger safety improvement.

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#90283u0190 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - New evidence in the terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 in December 1988 shows for the first time that Libyan intelligence agents may have built and planted the bomb that destroyed the plane, The New York Times reported Wednesday.

The new evidence was revealed this week by government investigators involved in the inquiry, The Times said.

The two-year investigation of the bombing over Lockerbie, Scotland, has focused on evidence that Iran hired a Syrian-sponsored terrorist group, the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, to bomb an American airliner in late 1988, the paper said.

The accepted theory had been that a cell of the Popular Front based in West Germany assembled the bomb and smuggled it onto the aircraft.

United States officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity, stressed that the newly discovered evidence does not clear Iran, Syria or the Popular Front from complicity in the Pan Am disaster, The Times said.

The officials said they still believe that Iran commissioned the attack in revenge for the accidental downing of an Iranian passenger jet in 1988 by a United States Navy warship in the Persian Gulf and that Syrian authorities were aware of the Popular Front's activities and took no action to stop them, it said.

But, they said, investigators now believe that the Popular Front's leader, Ahmed Jabril, who is based in Damascus, paid agents of the Libyan leader, Col. Moammar Gadhafi, to carry out the bombing when he found out in October 1988 that Western intelligence agents had penetrated his operations.

The evidence of a possible Libyan link, first reported publically this week by the French news magazine L'Express, was confirmed and detailed by American officials involved in the inquiry of the Pan Am bombing.

The Boeing 747 jet was blown apart by a plastic explosive concealed in a audio cassette player on Dec. 21, as it flew 31,000 feet over Scotland. The blast

killed all 259 people on the plane, including 188 Americans, and 11 other people in the village of Lockerbie below.

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#90283u0196 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 10) UPI - Authorities in Vietnam's largest city have arrested hundreds of gangsters, prostitutes, drug dealers, and forgers in a crackdown on crime, official radio reported.

The radio said the monthlong anti-crime drive broke up 125 criminal gangs, and ''wiped out nearly 200 nests of drug addicts, brothels, and gambling dens, detaining 118 vice den operators.''

The report broadcast on Sunday and translated Wednesday confirmed impressions that Ho Chi Minh City, formerly Saigon, has seen a resurgence in petty crime and vice since the government began liberalizing the economy to allow more private business and foreign investment three years ago.

It said police broke up hundreds of illegal film shows and illegal video-cassette dubbing operations.

They also arrested members of a counterfeiting ring producing 2,000- dong banknotes, the broadcast said.

The counterfeiting operation, however, could not have been very profitable, since inflation has dropped the value of the 2,000-dong notes to the equivalent of about 30 cents each.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
New Jersey	2	1	1	5	15	13
Pittsburgh	2	1	0	4	17	12
Washington	1	1	0	2	10	11
Philadelphia	1	2	0	2	11	7
NY Rangers	1	2	0	2	13	12
NY Islanders	1	2	0	2	7	10

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	3	0	0	6	16	4
Montreal	2	0	1	5	14	11

Hartford	1	1	1	3	11	12
Buffalo	0	1	1	1	8	9
Quebec	0	2	1	1	6	15

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	2	1	0	4	11	9
St. Louis	2	1	0	4	9	10
Minnesota	1	3	0	2	7	14
Detroit	0	2	1	1	9	16
Toronto	0	3	0	0	4	14

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	3	0	0	6	11	6
Edmonton	2	0	0	4	4	2
Los Angeles	2	1	0	4	13	9
Winnipeg	1	2	0	2	10	6
Vancouver	1	2	0	2	10	12

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(OCT. 10) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

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The shuttle Discovery astronauts awakened to country music this morning for their trip back to Earth. ''The Highway Man'' was the tune that mission control in Houston played. One astronaut radioed back- ''We like both kinds of music- country and western.'' The shuttle is to return to Earth at Edwards Air Force Base in California this morning.

The five permanent U-N Security Council members, including the United States, have agreed on a resolution condemning the violence in Israel that has killed at least 21 Palestinians. Yesterday, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein warned Israel to leave Arab lands or face vengeance because of the violence. He said Iraq has a missile that can strike from hundreds of miles away.

The Press Trust of India says at least 47 people were killed in a train fire set by leftist radicals last night in south India. About 15 radicals boarded a passenger train, locked doors in one car, poured gasoline and set it on fire. Before setting the fire, the leftists sang revolutionary songs.

New evidence links Libyan intelligence agents with the terrorist bombing of a Pan Am plane in December 1988 that killed 270 people. A New York newspaper

says government investigators believe the Libyans may have built the bomb and and planted it on the plane.

President Bush flies to Raleigh, North Carolina, today to campaign for Senator Jesse Helms. Helms opposed the budget plan the administration backed. But Bush is using his prestige to help him win a fourth term. An opinion poll shows the race between Helms and Democrat Harvey Gantt is too close to call.

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#90283u0257 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 10) UPI - President Bush did an about-face yesterday on the issue of raising taxes for the rich. In the morning, he said he would consider a higher income tax rate for wealthy Americans if capital gains taxes are reduced. Later, Republican senators said Bush would NOT get that. Bush's reply was- ''Then forget it.''

U-A-L Corporation's directors have terminated a merger agreement which would have made the airline-holding firm the world's largest employee-owned company. A spokesman said the United Airlines employees failed to arrange financing. The company said the group reduced the four-BILLION-dollar offer the board accepted in April.

Stocks took a big plunge yesterday because of higher oil prices and interest rates. The Dow Jones industrial fell more than three percent. They were down 78 points in their second biggest drop of the year. Over- the-the-counter stocks were hurt worse. Oil prices hit a record high because of Iraq's threat against Israel.

The Soviet central bank says the ruble will be devalued more than three-fold in some foreign trade on January 1st. That means a ruble will cost about 50 cents, instead of about one dollar 50 cents, as it now is. The change will let Soviet enterprises deal with foreign firms instead of dealing through a central ministry.

Composer-conductor Leonard Bernstein is virtually retiring from public life because of illness. His spokeswoman says Bernstein's doctor has told him to give up conducting and performing at the piano. Bernstein has been suffering from emphysema. He is 72 and was a heavy smoker for many years.

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#90283u0274 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 10) UPI - In only his third game with the St. Louis Blues, Geoff Courtnall scored two goals and showed his teammates he could accomplish a few other objectives.

Courtnall, traded to St. Louis from Washington during the offseason, scored

twice Tuesday night, including the game-winning goal with 5:18 remaining, lifting the Blues to a 4-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Penguins.

''When you come to a new team, you want to do the job,'' Courtnall said. ''I want to work hard and fit in. The important thing is that we win.''

The Blues, 2-1, recorded their second victory by again scoring the winning goal in the last period. St. Louis beat Minnesota in its season opener with a third-period goal.

''We knew we could do it in the third period after they tied us,'' Courtnall said. ''We'd done it in the opener and we felt good about it tonight.

''After Saturday (losing to Chicago), we wanted to get a win in our building. We were fired up.''

With the score tied 3-3, Courtnall took a pass from Adam Oates and lifted the puck into the net to give St. Louis a 4-3 edge. Penguins defenseman Paul Stanton left Courtnall alone.

''He (Stanton) charged me but I saw Courtnall,'' Oates said. ''He deflected it in. It was kind of a lucky goal.''

Pittsburgh Coach Bob Johnson said he was not angry with Stanton.

''It's a game of mistakes,'' Johnson said about Stanton missing his assignment. ''You try to eliminate as many as possible. Hey, Bobby Orr made some mistakes.''

Oates had three assists and Brett Hull added two power-play goals for the Blues. Pittsburgh dropped to 2-1.

''To win like this one, our first win at home, that's a big win,'' St. Louis Coach Brian Sutter said. ''We know they could come back somehow. It was going for them tonight.''

Elsewhere in the NHL, New Jersey beat Minnesota 5-2 and Los Angeles pounded Vancouver 6-2.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Devils 5, North Stars 2

At East Rutherford, N.J., Kirk Muller scored a goal and added two assists and New Jersey tallied on its first three power-play opportunities. Muller scored the first goal and assisted on the second and third to help the Devils earn their second victory of the season. Minnesota dropped its second decision in two nights, after losing Monday to the New York Rangers.

Kings 6, Canucks 2

At Vancouver, British Columbia, Bob Kudelski scored the game-winning goal at 1:23 of the second period and five Kings added two points each. The victory gave the Kings a measure of revenge after the Canucks crowned them 6-3 last Saturday night in Los Angeles.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Los Angeles	2	4	0-6
Vancouver	0	0	2-2

First period-1, Los Angeles, Robitaille 3 (Elik, Taylor), 1:11. 2, Los Angeles Jones 1 (Krushelnyski), 12:27.

Penalties-Duschesne, LA, 7:34; Plavsic, Van, 9:34; Jones, LA, major (fighting) 12:27; Chapdelaine, LA, 12:27; Agnew, Van, major (fighting), 12:27; Sandlak, Van, double-minor, 12:27; Granato, LA, 13:40; Lidster, Van, 16:07; Lidster, Van, misconduct, 18:15; Elik, LA, 19:39.

Second period-3, Los Angeles, Kudelski 1 (Jones), 1:23. 4, Los Angeles, Elik 2 (Robitaille, Taylor), 3:13. 5, Los Angeles, Blake 1 (Gretzky, Sandstrom), pp, 5:49. 6, Los Angeles, Miller 1 (Krushelnyski, Chapdelaine), 10:25.

Penalties-Bjugstad, Van, 4:50; Murphy, Van, double-minor, 4:50; Buskas, LA, 10:40; Stern, Van, 10:40; Lumme, Van, 11:54; Lidster, Van, 15:40; Kudelski, LA 18:41; Miller, LA, 18:41; Stern, Van, 18:41.

Third period-7, Vancouver, Larionov 1 (Adams, Sandlak), 9:32. 8, Vancouver, Linden 1 (Capuano), 12:59.

Penalties-Blake, LA, 2:53; Murphy, Van, 2:53; Buskas, LA, major (fighting), 11:02; Agnew, Van, major (fighting), 11:02; Chapdelaine, LA, 16:49; Chapdelaine, LA, double-minor, 19:54; Stern, Van, major (charging), 19:54; Coxe, game misconduct (third man in), 19:54.

Shots on goal-Los Angeles 8-13-9-30. Vancouver 6-4-10-20.

Power-play conversions-Los Angeles 6-1. Vancouver 6-0.

Goaltenders-Los Angeles, Berthiaume. Vancouver, McLean. A-15,685.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Pittsburgh	0	2	1	3
St. Louis	1	1	2	4

First period-1, St. Louis, Hull 3 (Oates, Brown), pp, 13:23.

Penalties-Stevens, Pit, 2:05; Featherstone, StL, 7:53; Recchi, Pit, major (slashing, game misconduct), 9:22.

Second period-2, St. Louis, Courtnall 2 (Brind'Amour, MacLean), 3:04. 3, Pittsburgh, Mullen 3 (Stevens, Stanton), 9:17. 4, Pittsburgh, Errey 1 (Pederson), 18:31.

Penalties-Dahlquist, Pit, 6:05; Momesso, StL, 12:54; Featherstone, StL, 16:09.

Third period-5, St. Louis, Hull 4 (Oates, Stevens), pp, 9:09. 6, Pittsburgh, Millen 4 (Stevens, Cullen), pp, 11:09. 6, St. Louis, Courtnall 3 (Oates, MacLean), 14:42.

Penalties-Stanton, Pit, 8:06; Johnson, Pit, 8:16; Stevens, StL, 9:33.

Shots on goal-Pittsburgh 2-13-10-25. St. Louis 6-9-13-27.

Power-play conversions-Pittsburgh 4-1. St. Louis 5-2.

Goaltenders-Pittsburgh, Pietrangelo. St. Louis, Joseph. A-14,897.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

Minnesota	2	0	0	2
New Jersey	2	1	2	5

First period-1, New Jersey, Muller 1 (Albelin, Stastny), pp, 7:37. 2, New Jersey, MacLean 1 (Stastny, Muller), pp, 10:07. 3, Minnesota, Smith 1 (Broten, Gagner), pp, 12:58. 4, Minnesota, Gagner 3 (Propp, Modano), 17:00.

Penalties-Craig, Min, 6:36; Modano, Min, 8:26; Marcinyshyn, NJ, 11:14.

Second period-5, New Jersey, Driver 1 (MacLean, Muller), pp, 6:01.

Penalties-Bench minor, Min, 4:55; Fetisov, NJ, 10:36; Modano, Min, 10:36; Boschman, NJ, 10:41; Fetisov, NJ, 12:55; Daneyko, NJ, 14:24; Churla, Min, 18:32; Muller, NJ, 18:12; Musil, Min, 18:12; MacLean, NJ, 18:12; Duchesne, Min 18:12.

Third period-6, New Jersey, Shanahan 2 (Sundstrom, Poddubny), 1:26. 7, New Jersey, Maley 1 (Fetisov, Kasatonov), 10:47.

Penalties-Wilkinson, Min, 1:40; Churla, Min, 6:32; Fetisov, NJ, 6:32; Boschman

NJ, 6:32; Broten, Min, 7:33; MacLean, NJ, 12:28; Churla, Min, double-minor, 18:04; Stewart, NJ, 18:04; Fetisov, NJ, 19:57.

Shots on goal-Minnesota 14-15-6-35. New Jersey 9-6-14-29.

Power-play conversions-Minnesota 6-1. New Jersey 7-3.

Goaltenders-Minnesota, Casey. New Jersey, Terreri. A-8,448.

Referee-Rob Shick.

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DURBAN, South Africa (OCT. 10) UPI - Unidentified gunmen armed with automatic weapons ambushed a passenger bus on the outskirts of the port city of Durban, killing at least six people and wounding 27 others, police said Wednesday.

A police spokesman said all 33 people aboard the bus, including the driver, were wounded in the attack, which occurred around 11 p.m. Tuesday as the bus headed north out of the Indian Ocean port city toward the town of Inanda. All the victims were black.

Motive for the attack was unknown and no arrests were made, Durban police spokesman Lt. Bala Naidoo said. He said the gunmen, armed with locally manufactured automatic weapons and AK-47s, opened fire from a stationary vehicle off the road.

Naidoo said it was unclear whether the attack was linked to the protracted conflict between supporters of the African National Congress and the rival Zulu movement Inkatha, which has left some 4,000 dead in Natal province since 1987.

The passengers were identifed as workers.

''Every passenger in the bus was struck by a bullet,'' said Naidoo. ''We subsequently counted 23 bullet holes in the bus and 16 smashed windows.''

It was the second violent incident in the city Tuesday, following by more than 12 hours a mob attack on white pedestrians in the city center in which at least eight white passersby and two of the assailants were wounded.

Police sources quoted by the Johannesburg daily Citizen Wednesday identified the leader of the mob attack as Jequ Ngcobo, a 26-year-old man believed to be a religious crank and mentally disturbed.

The report said Ngcobo was ''well-known'' on Durban's beach front and believed he was ''the Son of God.''

Ngcobo recruited 20 members for the attack Monday night and held an all-night vigil on a Durban beach before looting a gift shop and arming the gang with knives, the Citizen said. He then led the gang outside and began stabbing white pedestrians indiscriminantly.

Two of the gang members, including Ngcobo, were shot and wounded by police. At least eight members were arrested.

Amid reports that some of the attackers wore t-shirts of the radical black Pan Africanist Congress, both officials of the PAC and the African National Congress denied any involvement in the incident.

ANC spokesman Patrick Lekota blamed the ''bloody orgy'' on ''rented criminals.''

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(OCT. 10) UPI - Rain and high winds drenched South Florida as Tropical Storm Klaus fell apart Wednesday sending floodwaters onto the Keys, while Texas shivered in record cold temperatures and wet weather hit the Midwest.

A large area of rain that included strong showers covered Dade and Broward counties and winds topping 30 mph and frequent lightning strikes were reported over the region. To the north, rain soaked the area around Vero Beach.

A large low pressure system gathered steam over the Florida Keys and strong winds pushed seaweed and a small amount of seawater onto a road near the airport in Key West. Flood watches and warnings were in effect for all of the Keys.

Western Texas cooled down to a record low temperature early Wednesday, reaching 42 degrees at Midland International Airport, breaking by 1 degree a mark set two years ago. The temperature was expected to drop as low as 34 degrees before sunrise.

A flood watch was in effect for northern Indiana, where showers have pelted the region since Monday, dropping as much as 2 1/2 inches of rain over the region since the showers began.

Warm weather helped create fog in the Northeast, where 70-degree temperatures were reported during the night. The heatwave that brought summer back to the region during the first half of the week was expected to continue.

Cooler weather greeted residents of Southern California as light breezes moved across the area. To the north, a snow advisory was issued for the Cascade Mountains in Washington state.

Rain and cool temperatures covered the Midwest.

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(OCT. 10) UPI -

WASHINGTON - Two U.S. servicemen were killed Wednesday when their F- 111 fighter bomber crashed in the southern Arabian peninsula during a training mission, the Pentagon said. The plane was assigned to the 48th Tactical Wing of the RAF, Lakenheath, England, and was deployed in support of Operation Desert Shield. The names of the pilot and the crewmember were being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

CAIRO, Egypt - A senior Palestinian guerrilla leader says Saddam Hussein wants the Persian Gulf crisis resolved peacefully, provided the world links the solution to Israel's withdrawal from occupied Palestinian lands. Naiyef Hawatmeh, leader of the radical Popular Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, said Saddam ''wants the crisis to be solved by peaceful means, if an international consensus was reached on a formula to be presented to the U.N. Security Council.''

CAIRO, Egypt - Baghdad Radio quoted Iraq's Saddam Hussein as saying Iraq had developed a rocket that could strike targets several hundred miles away. Following the disclosure about the rocket and the threat against Israel, world oil prices soared to record highs. ''The Al Hijara missile, which the Iraqis have manufactured with God's help, can be launched from somewhere in Iraq (and) can reach the evil targets,'' Baghdad Radio said.

WASHINGTON - A U.S.-chartered 747 was scheduled to leave Wednesday for Basra, Iraq, to pick up an estimated 400 American citizens and their foreign-born family members. The plane will fly to London and then to Raleigh-Durham, N.C., Thursday.

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. - The five astronauts returning to Earth on the space shuttle Discovery received a greeting Wednesday from U.S. forces in the Middle East in a packet of instructions and messages faxed to the spaceship from mission control. ''From the sands and sea of the Persian Gulf, the soldiers, airmen, sailors and marines with Operation Desert Shield extend best wishes to the crew of the shuttle Discovery,'' it said. ''Yours has been a most successful space mission in the continuing search for answers to make the world a safer and better place to live.''

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#90283u0408 10/10/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (OCT. 10) UPI - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has agreed to the

police minister's request for an independent investigation of the slaying of 21 Palestinians by Israeli forces in Jerusalem, while Palestinians continued widespread general strikes Wednesday.

A Jerusalem magistrates' court also discussed Wednesday whether to extend the detention of leading East Jerusalem Palestinian Faisal Husseini and 25 prominent Moslem religious leaders and Palestinians who were detained after the violence on suspicion of inciting Monday's violence.

Conflicting information continued to prevail on how the violence began Monday in Jerusalem's walled Old City and whether stone-throwing by Palestinians at the Temple Mount toward Jewish worshippers at the Western Wall was organized beforehand.

Tuesday, Shamir accused Palestinian leaders of exploiting the deaths for their ''malicious purposes'' and vowed violence would not force Israel to change its policies. ''This is our country. This is our land and no force in the world will change this eternal fact,'' Shamir said.

In the wake of the deaths, the United States and the four other permanent members of the U.N. Security Council agreed on a text that would condemn the deaths of the 21 Palestinians at Islam's third holiest site. The agreement, described by a senior state department official, paved the way for a vote in the 15-nation council.

However, the five powers would not agree upon an Arab demand to send an investigative team to Jerusalem, the official said.

The police had launched an internal investigation Monday into the violence and police response. But late Tuesday Shamir agreed to a request by Police Minister Roni Milo to establish an independent probe without participants from the police forces.

Army Radio commentators indicated Milo's decision pointed to certain dissatisfaction with police Inspector-General Ya'acov Terner.

In East Jerusalem, the Israeli occupied territories of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, and Israeli Arab towns, a general strike called in mourning over the 21 slain Palestinians continued a second day. The military kept a curfew on the entire Gaza Strip, several West Bank towns and most West Bank refugee camps.

In the Israeli Arab town of Taibe, a policeman was slightly hurt after masked youths threw stones toward police posted at the city's entrance, Israel Radio reported.

Jerusalem police announced Jewish worshippers wanting to celebrate the Succot holiday's final day at the Western Wall Wednesday evening and Thursday should not be afraid. The Western Wall is a focal point for the holiday, especially

the final evening when Jews celebrate with song and dance.

''I would like to tell the Israelis and Jewish people a message please,'' Adnan Husseini, director of the Supreme Islamic Council, told Army Radio. ''They have to understand something that in Islam it is not possible to hurt other religions while they are praying. ... It is forbidden.''

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BOSTON (OCT. 10) UPI - State health officials said Tuesday there is an association between elevated cancer rates in towns around the Pilgrim nuclear power plant in Plymouth.

However, the officials stopped short of specifically linking emissions from the plant with the increased adult leukemia rates. They also said that the elevated association appears to have ended in 1983.

The Public Health Department released a study showing there were 108 cases of adult leukemia in the 22-town area surrounding the 18-year-old reactor between 1978 and 1986.

It said that, although a cause-and-effect relationship could not be established, a possible cause was plant emissions.

Elaine Robinson, a spokeswoman for Boston Edison, which runs the plant, questioned the validity of the study. She said all other U.S. studies of nuclear power plant risks have found no evidence of health threats.

Robinson said officials know how much radiation has been released from the plant and said ''there is still not enough radiation emitted to cause even a single cancer.'' She said it is ''improper to suggest that it has.''

The study said between 1978 and 1983 those living or working closest to the plant had a leukemia risk four times higher than those who had the lowest potential for exposure.

Public Health Commissioner David Mulligan said the department was taking four steps in the wake of the study, including asking the Legislature to establish the toughest air quality standards in the nation for nuclear emissions.

Mulligan said he would seek to lower permissible levels to less than half the federal standards.

''It must be emphasized that the relationship was the strongest for those diagnosed between 1978 and 1983,'' said Mulligan. ''For individuals diagnosed between 1984 and 1986, there was no elevated risk of leukemia associated with the plant.''

''Factors other than environmental radiation were examined and none, including occupation and smoking status, could account for the elevated risks associated with exposure to Pilgrim,'' he said.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - Surging oil prices and Wall Street's 78.22-point plunge Tuesday combined to send stock prices plummeting Wednesday on major markets in Hong Kong, Singapore, Thailand, Manila, Sydney and New Zealand. Trading was described as light.

Markets, banks and most major businesses were closed in Tokyo for the national holiday of Sports Day. Trading will resume Thursday on the world's busiest stock market.

In Hong Kong, stocks plunged 1.4 percent on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in response to New York.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which lost 11.96 points Tuesday, tumbled 41.11 points to 2,872.41.

Among the narrower indexes, financials shed 29.00 points, utilities fell 34.26 industrials lost 37.38 and properties fell 86.38 points.

Volume amounted to around 588 million shares, compared with 552 million shares changing hands Tuesday.

In Singapore, stocks fell 1.4 percent in lackluster trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 4.73 points Tuesday, dropped 15.16 points to 1,090.14. The broader-based All Singapore Index, which fell 3.76 points Tuesday, eased another 4.31 points to 303.27.

An estimated 22.1 million shares changed hands, slightly above the 20.9 million shares changing hands Tuesday.

In Bangkok, stocks fell 3.9 percent on the Thailand Stock Exchange amid worries over the violence in Israel.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which gained 2.10 points Tuesday, dropped 26.64 points to 655.55.

Volume amounted to 1.8 billion shares, compared with 2.4 billion shares changing hands Tuesday.

Declines overpowered advances 153 to only 5.

Elsewhere around the region, stocks fell 3.4 percent in Manila as investors succumbed to another bout of profit taking on the Manila Stock Exchange.

The Manila Composite Stock Index of 25 selective issues, which had risen almost 11 percent in the previous two sessions, fell 19.47 points to 552.34.

Analysts noted stocks fell amid a combination of factors including Wall Street's loss Tuesday, profit taking and surging global oil prices.

In Australia, stocks fell 1.1 percent as plunging global markets crushed bids on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which added 5.9 points Tuesday, fell 15.2 points to 1,360.2. The All Industrials Index tumbled 33.3 points to 2, 019.3.

Turnover amounted to 57.7 million shares, compared with 55.7 million shares Tuesday.

Declines outpaced advances, 204 to 84, while 184 issues managed to remain unchanged.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (OCT. 10) UPI - Egypt's interior minister said Wednesday that suspected pro-Iraqi terrorist arrested in Egypt recently were planning to assassinate senior Egyptian officials to trigger chaos to the country.

Lt. Gen. Mohammed Abdulhalim Mussa, the interior minister, did not name the targeted Egyptian officials but told the semi-official Cairo daily Al Ahram the suspects were apprehended ''in possession of arms and explosives.''

None of the suspects have been formally charged or allowed to meet the press but under Egyptian emergency regulations the government can extend their period in detention without trial.

Egyptian security sources said last week they arreested more than 30 suspected Iraqi and Palestinian terrorists in a conspiracy by Baghdad to destabilize Cairo.

Egypt strongly condemned Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and angered Baghdad by sending troops to defend Saudi Arabia from Iraqi aggression.

''The terrorists have revealed secrets of the sabotage and terrorism plans they were planning to carry out against Egypt and the Egyptians,'' Mussa was quoted as saying.

''Those who sent them gave them the illusion that there was a rift between the leadership and people of Egypt, but they were shocked to find there was no truth to this,'' he said.

Mussa said investigations were continuing into links between the arrested terrorist suspects and Egyptian Islamic fundamentalist groups opposed to the presence of U.S. troops in the Gulf.

Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak warned the 50,000 Palestinians living in Egypt to avoid pro-Iraqi extremist organizations or risk the consequences.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - President Bush campaigns today for southern powerbroker Jesse Helms, who is fighting for political survival in North Carolina. Bush plans to rally support for the G-O-P senator at a fund-raiser in Raleigh this morning. Bush told reporters yesterday that ''if we had more people on fiscal policy like Jesse Helms... and by that I mean control of the Senate... we wouldN'T be in this mess.'' Helms opposed Bush on a budget plan calling for a tax increases.

A New York Times report indicates there is new evidence of a Libyan connection in the 1988 terrorist bombing of a Pan Am jet over Scotland. The paper says new evidence from government investigators shows for the first time that Libyan agents may have built and planted a bomb that destroyed Flight 103. The blast killed all 259 people on the plane and 11 people on the ground.

It's nearly time for the shuttle Discovery and its five-member crew to come back to Earth after putting a Ulysses probe in space. Commander Richard ''Dick'' Richards and co-pilot Robert Cabana will fire Discovery's braking rockets over the Indian Ocean early today to drop the ship out of orbit in preparation for landing. Discovery is scheduled to land this morning at Edwards Air Base in the California desert.

Lawyers return to a Fort Lauderdale, Florida, court today as jury selection resumes in the obscenity trial of rap group 2 Live Crew. Three group members are charged with performing obscene material June 11th, two days after their album ''As Nasty As They Wanna Be'' was declared obscene by a federal judge. Defense lawyers are challenging the jury selection process, saying there are too few blacks in the juror pool.

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#90283u0528 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 10) UPI - South African police say gunmen fired on a passenger bus traveling near Durban, killing at least six people. More than 12 people were

hurt when gunmen in a passing vehicle fired on the bus eight miles outside the Indian Ocean port city. It was the second violent incident in the city yesterday. Earlier, a group of blacks staged a riot, stabbing at least eight whites. NO one was killed in that attack.

A poll shows tht about one-third of U-S family doctors report having treated at least one patient with the AIDS virus. At a meeting of the American Academy of Family Physicians, Dr. Ronald Goldschmidt said a survey of members found that 40 percent are currently treating at least one person with the AIDS virus. Doctors at the San Francisco meeting were warned to be alert for the growth of AIDS in the heterosexual population and among babies.

Memorial services will be held today for Dorothy Shelton, the wife of the only U-S soldier still listed as a prisoner of war in Southeast Asia. The 57-year-old mother of five shot herself to death last week at her San Diego home. A family spokesman says Shelton never gave up hope tht her husband was still alive and went ''to Laos in 1973 to search for him.'' Air Force Colonel Charles Shelton was shot down over Laos in April 23rd, 1965 and was captured days later.

Bosses at Chicken of the Sea say it will be the first U-S tuna brand to totally abandon the use of tuna from the Eastern Tropical Pacific. Dolphins and tuna often swim and are snared together in that area of the Pacific Ocean. Van Camp Seafood Company of St. Louis, marketers of Chicken of the Sea, says the firm is believed to be the only tuna processor in the nation to withdraw from the Pacific region.

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SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (OCT. 10) UPI - New Defense Minister Lee Jong-koo apologized Wednesday for the political surveillance of civilians by military security agents that he said was ''an abuse of power.''

In testimony before the parliament's National Defense Committee, Lee said military authorities started a probe into the illegal watch over more than 1,300 noted civilians by the powerful Defense Security Command.

''That was an abuse of power committed by the command under the habit of the past era,'' Lee said. ''With this as a starting point, an overall study will be made on the mission, functions and setup of the command and problematic aspects will be boldy corrected.

''I offer sincere apologies to the public and to those listed as surveillance targets for the concern this case caused. I humbly accepts the fact that the people are angry and indignant at what the command did.''

Opposition politicians and dissident groups, furious about the military spying

on civilians, pushed preparations for a massive protest rally at a park in Seoul on Saturday.

The controversial surveillance on civilians was disclosed by an Army deserter last Thursday. Pvt. Yoon Suk-yang, 24, who was assigned to a branch office of the DSC, said its agents monitored the activity of the surveillance targets.

Yoon said among those watched were politicians, civic and church leaders, lawyers, professors, journalists, labor activists and dissidents. To back up his allegations, he produced files prepared by the agents of the DSC.

As the controversy snowballed into a major political issue, President Roh Tae-woo fired Defense Minister Lee Sang-hoon and the head of the DSC. Lee Jong-koo, a retired general and former srmy chief of staff, was named to head the Defense Ministry on Monday.

The Defense Security Command is in charge of both criminal investigations and intelligence for the armed forces. Under former governments it was accused by critics of spying on politicians and meddling in politics.

The latest development was embarrassing to Roh, a former general who promised to revamp the command structure to prevent such illegal activity when he was elected in February 1988.

Main opposition leader Kim Dae Jung, meanwhile, was on the third day of a hunger strike at his party headquarters to push a series of political demands.

He began fasting Monday demanding that President Roh promise not to switch to a parliamentary cabinet form of government revising the constitution, implement local autonomy without delay, and keep the military from politics.

Lawmakers of his Party for Peace and Democracy continued a sit-in at the party headquarters building but they were not fasting.

Kim is in good health and hopes to attend even briefly the Saturday rally protesting the illegal military surveillance on civilians, his aides said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 9: Purchases of 343, 715 shares and sales of 498,527 shares including 16,095 shares sold short.

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#90283u0635 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 10) UPI - The Pentagon says two U-S servicemen were killed today when their F- 111 jet crashed in the southern Arabian peninsula. The fighter was assigned to a base in England and was deployed in support of Operation Desert Shield.

Authorities say at least 60 people were killed yesterday when leftist radicals set fire to a passenger car in India. Most of the victims were women and children. About 20 passengers were burned and injured.

The shuttle Discovery's five astronauts come home today after a four- day voyage. The landing is scheduled at dawn in California. Discovery's main job was to send a space probe on its way to polar orbit around the sun.

An off-duty police officer and another man were shot to death last night in a restaurant in the Lake Hollywood neighborhood of Los Angeles. Witnesses said the two exchanged about a dozen shots.

Police say a gunman shot and wounded 10 people last night at a housing project in the Bronx. A spokeswoman says two groups of men had an argument. One man took out an automatic weapon and fired. Manhattan police say a man tossed acid at two women as they left work last night. Both were injured, one critically. Police say the man fled on foot.

A man hijacked a school bus at Charlotte, North Carolina, yesterday and waved a knife at 12 children. When the driver ran for help, the hijacker drove the bus into a car and ran away. NO students were harmed. A suspect was arrested.

Gunmen ambushed a bus last night in Durban, South Africa, and killed at least six blacks. Police say the 27 other people on board were wounded. Nobody has been arrested and no motive is known.

The first trucks carrying emergency food have gotten into drought- stricken parts of southern Angola. The food will feed civilians who are victims of the African nation's civil war.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - The permanent members of the U-N Security Council have agreed on a resolution to condemn Israel for the deaths of 21 Palestinians. Despite differences on the Persian Gulf, Arab members are united in condemning Israel.

U-S Court in Boston has fined a military contractor firm 500-thousand dollars for providing untested parts for high-tech defense equipment. The firm, Micro-Dynamics, pleaded guilty to criminal charges.

Tropical storm Marco, has formed west of Key West, Florida, bringing with it heavy rains. Top winds are 40 miles an hour. Tropical storms Klaus and Lili

have weakened.

Fire officials say at least 22-hundred acres of brushland burned yesterday in Ventura County in southern California. The fire was fanned by Santa Ana winds. A brushfire in a canyon near downtown Oakland threatened houses.

Former F-B-I agent Richard Miller was convicted in Los Angeles federal court yesterday of espionage and bribery. Sentencing is set for January 7th. Miller could go to prison for life.

The United Auto Workers' Ford Council has approved the new contract with Ford. Union leaders say members are expected to accept it. Then the union will talk with Chrysler, hoping for a similar contract.

The Conference Board says executives' confidence in the U-S economy is at a 10-year low. The research organization says the confidence level in the third quarter was 40- meaning there were 40 optimists for every 60 pessimists.

A team of two Americans and two Russians has completed the first bicycle trip across the Soviet Union. Their support staff in Minneapolis said the seven-thousandmile trip took 127 days.

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COPENHAGEN, DENMARK (OCT. 10) UPI - Denmark's parliamentary Intelligence Committee met Wednesday to discuss allegations that Israel's intelligence agency Mossad is working illegally in Denmark.

The decision to call the meeting followed allegations that Mossad is active in Denmark inviolation of Danish law and practice and despite previous government assurances the agency was passive in the country.

Unconfirmed reports said that Mossad eavesdropped on Arabs living in or visiting Denmark and that Denmark's own intelligence agency used Mossad to screen visa applications from Arab nationals.

The current controversy erupted with the publication in the United States of ''By Way of Deception,'' a book on the Israeli intelligence agency written by former Mossad agent Victor Ostrovsky.

Ostrovsky wrote that a liaison officer in Denmark's Police Intelligence Agency routinely screened indigenous Arabs seeking visas with Mossad, and told Danish television Sunday a DPIA agent also routinely furnished Mossad with tapes of bugged conversations.

Despite denials by Justice Minister Hans Engell and DPIA Chief Anne- Mette Moller that details in Ostrovsky's book were incorrect, the parliamentary

committee decided to investigate.

''We have no knowledge that Mossad actively carries out operations in Denmark. If they are doing so, their operations are contrary to Danish legislation,'' Engell said.

But following a meeting Monday with Engell, some committee members said they remained uncertain about Mossad's role in the country and called for a further investigation.

''If there are members of the committee who do not feel they have been given a full enough report on the issue, then I do not think we should use a majority to shut them up,'' said Liberal committee member Bjorn Elmquist.

Elmquist's party is in a three party, Conservative-led coalition ruling the country.

''We have been assured that not all visa applications are checked with Mossad '' said Elmquist, who said cooperation between Denmark's intelligence agency and foreign intelligence agencies is necessary.

Wednesday's meeting was expected to result in a further investigation into contacts between Mossad and the DPIA.

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PRINCETON, NJ (OCT. 10) UPI - Mayor Barbara Rowena Boggs Sigmund, daughter of Rep. Lindy Boggs, D-La., died Wednesday at home in her sleep after a long battle with cancer. She was 51.

Sigmund's cancer had cost her her left eye in 1982. Unable to wear a false eye she took to wearing an eyepatch and sewed dozens of color- coordinated patches to match various outfits. She gave out eyepatches as a campaign promotion during her unsuccessful bid for the 1988 Democratic nomination for governor.

Sigmund announced in the fall of 1989 that the cancer had spread and was inoperable.

Sigmund was born May 27, 1939, in New Orleans to Hale and Corinne ''Lindy'' Boggs.

Her father entered politics when she was 18 months old and became majority leader of the House of Representatives before he disappeared in a plane crash in Alaska in 1972. Her mother, who had never previously held public office, took over the Louisiana seat and was regularly re- elected.

Her younger sister, Corinne ''Cokie'' Roberts, is a congressional correspondent for National Public Radio, and her brother, Thomas, is a Washington attorney and lobbyist.

Powerful House Speaker Sam Rayburn and Lyndon Johnson were frequent visitors to the family's white-columned New Orleans home, where a cross was once burned on the lawn because of her father's support of civil rights legislation.

Sigmund got her first taste of elected office at a tender age, when third-grade classmates elected her to portray the Virgin Mary in a class Christmas play.

''After being elected the Virgin Mary, it's all down hill,'' she once said.

Sigmund worked as a staff member in the Kennedy White House and moved to Princeton in 1963 to become a teacher at the Stuart Country Day School. She married Paul Sigmund, a Princeton University professor of Latin American Studies, in 1964.

The couple had three children, Paul Jr., born in 1964, David, born in 1966, and Stephen, born in 1969.

Sigmund entered politics in 1972 with election to the borough council and served three years before being appointed to the Mercer County Board of Freeholders.

In 1982, she entered the Democratic primary for Congress only to switch to the primary for Senate, coming in fourth in a field of 10.

She made a political comeback the next year,winning election as the first woman mayor of Princeton, and won re-election in 1983.

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KATMANDU, Nepal (OCT. 10) UPI - Three members of a seven-member Soviet climing expedition died in a fall while tackling a difficult rock wall on 26,758-foot Mount Manaslu and the team abandoned the climb, Soviet sources said Wednesday.

The mishap ocurred Sunday at about 23,622 feet. The dead climbers were identified as Grigori Lunjakov, 35, Zinur Khalitov, 39, and Murat Galief, 29.

The Ministry of Tourism confirmed the accident but not the names of the victims.

It was the first death of the current autumn climbing season.

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KATMANDU, NEPAL (OCT. 10) UPI - A Washington woman has become only the third American woman to scale Mount Everest, achieving the feat with her Russian husband, the Nepali Ministry of Tourism said Wednesday.

The ministry also announced the death of three members of a seven- member Soviet climbing team on 26,758-foot Mount Manaslu on Sunday.

Catherine Gibson, 35, of Seattle, conquered 29,029-foot Everest on Sunday with her husband Aleksei Karasnokutsky, 41, and Phinzu Sherpa, 22, after an eight hour climb from the fourth camp at 26,247 feet.

Gibson became only the 14th woman to climb the world's highest peak.

She and Karasnokutsky are the second couple to step on the summit recently. Last week a Yugoslavian couple reached the summit. Also last week, women from Yugoslavian and France recorded the first female ascents for their nations, officials said.

An 11-member American expedition, led by 44-year-old Hooman Aprin, a mountain guide from Jackson, Wyo., last week put two Americans, one Canadian and a Sherpa guide on the summit in two groups.

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#90283u0730 10/10/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 10) UPI - The shuttle Discovery's cargo bay doors are shut and the crew is preparing to land shortly at Edwards Air Force Base in the Mojave desert. The crew deployed the European-built Ulysses probe during the weekend. As of today, the probe was two and one-half-Million miles from Earth on a five-year quest to study the sun.

The Pentagon says two U-S servicemen were killed when their F-111 fighter bomber crashed today in the southern Arabian peninsula on a training mission. The names of the pilot and his crewmember were withheld pending notification of relatives. The jet was assigned to the 48th Tactical Wing of the R-A-F and was deployed in support of Operation Desert Shield.

Composer-conductor Leonard Bernstein is laying down his baton due to illness. A spokesman says 72-year-old Bernstein is virtually retiring on the advice of his doctors who say conducting and performing at the piano are too strenuous for him. Bernstein suffers from emphysema. He may resume a ''limited'' schedule when his condition improves.

Israeli Prime Minister Shamir agreed to a police request for an independent investigation into Monday's slayings of 21 Palestinians by Israeli forces in

Jerusalem's Old City. In East Jerusalem, in the occupied territories and Israeli Arab towns, a general strike continues for a second day. The military enforced a curfew on the entire Gaza Strip.

A tropical storm watch was in effect for ther Florida Keys and the southwest Florida coast as tropical storm Marco formed near Key West. At last report, Marco was about 50 miles west of Key West with winds of up to 40 miles an hour. Forecasters warned small craft in the watch area to remain in port.

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#90283u0731 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 10) UPI - South African police say at least six people were killed and 27 people hurt when gunmen with automatic weapons ambushed a bus last night near the Indian Ocean port city of Durban. Police say all of the victims were black workers. Authorities say the bus was riddled with bullet. NO one has been arrested.

Police in southern India say leftist radicals set fire to a passenger train near Hyderabad, killing at least 60 people. 20 people were injured. Police say 20 members of the People's War Group bolted shut five of the six doors in a passenger car, spreading gasoline throughout the compartment and setting it on fire.

Health officials in Massachusetts say there is an association between higher cancer rates in the Plymouth area and Pilgrim nuclear plant emissions. But the officials stopped short of linking the plant with higher adult leukemia rates. They say the elevated cancer rates appear to have ended in 1983. Boston Edison questioned whether the study was valid.

New York police say a man tossed acid on two women leaving work yesterday in Midtown Manhattan, critically injuring one of the women. Police say a 29-year-old woman, hit in the face and eyes, is in critical condition at New York Hospital. A 24-year-old woman hit on the hand was NOT seriously hurt.

Los Angeles authorities say an off-duty police officer and another man were killed in a shoot-out last night outside a restaurant. The officer was the third area policeman hit during gunbattles yesterday. Two officers were wounded earlier in the day when they surprised gunmen robbing a discount store.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	sy	61	38	....
Anchorage	r	48	33	....

Asheville r	78	59	....
Atlanta ts	83	67	....
Baltimore pc	86	65	....
Billings cy	61	50	....
Bismarck sy	62	38	....
Boston pc	70	60	.01.
Brownsville pc	94	54	.04
Buffalo sh	52	46	1.02
Burlington Vt. cy	49	42	....
Charleston S.C. ts	82	77	....
Charlotte r	84	65	....
Chicago r	48	45	.82
Cincinnati sh	74	61	1.11
Cleveland r	67	53	.81
Columbus Ohio sh	71	58	1.21
Dallas sy	58	42	....
Denver sy	55	38	....
Des Moines pc	50	37	....
Detroit r	52	47	.71
Duluth sy	51	21	....
El Paso sy	68	42	....
Evansville r	70	47	1.61
Fargo sy	58	35	....
Hartford sy	78	65	....
Honolulu sy	89	75	....
Houston sy	75	47	.86
Indianapolis r	69	48	1.22
Jackson Miss. cy	91	51	.01
Jacksonville sy	87	73	1.13
Kansas City sy	46	33	.16
Las Vegas sy	78	51	....
Little Rock pc	69	45	....
Los Angeles sy	96	67	....
Louisville r	76	53	1.07
Memphis pc	75	47	....
Miami Beach ts	82	76	....
Milwaukee r	49	43	.37
Minneapolis sy	54	27	....
Nashville cy	84	52	.21
New Orleans cy	92	57	.08
New York pc	84	68	....
Oklahoma City sy	54	37	....
Omaha sy	51	27	....
Orlando ts	87	74	.76
Philadelphia pc	85	65	....
Phoenix sy	88	63	....
Pittsburgh pc	74	60	....
Portland Me. dz	55	52	.1

Portland Ore. cy	67	49	.04
Providence sy	77	64	.24
Richmond pc	87	61	....
St. Louis dz	52	42	.64
Salt Lake City f	63	38	....
San Antonio sy	79	42	....
San Diego sy	90	59	....
San Francisco sy	87	58	....
San Juan sh	90	76	.31
Seattle sh	59	46	.05
Spokane sh	66	47	.02
Tampa ts	86	73	1.3
Washington pc	86	69	....
Wichita sy	50	31	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90283u0737 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

PROVIDENCE, RI (OCT. 10) UPI - New England Patriots wide receiver Hart Lee Dykes suffered a serious eye injury and teammate Irving Fryar was cut in the head during a brawl early Wednesday at a downtown nightclub, police said.

Dykes and Fryar, also a wide receiver, apparently got into the fight inside the Shalimar club and it spilled out onto South Main Street, Capt. Frank Dowd said.

Police were called to the club at 1:20 a.m. and found Fryar and Dykes bleeding from headwounds, Dowd said.

''They were both struck in the head with something,'' he said. ''Fryar said they had been in the place during the evening and as they were leaving they

were assaulted by a group of people.''

Fryar told police that he broke away from the scuffle and ''being in fear of serious injury,'' ran to his car, got a gun, put it in his boot, and returned '' Lt. Steven Hall said.

Reading from a police report on the incident, Hall said ''numerous witnesses'' told investigators that Fryar ''came running back with a chrome-plated gun in his hand and was brandishing it.''

Fryar refused medical treatment at the scene and police took him into custody pending an investigation into whether he legally had the gun, identified as a Smith & Wesson 9mm automatic.

Police confirmed Wednesday morning that Fryar had a permit for the gun and said he was being interrogated but had not been arrested.

While he initially declined medical treatment, Fryar went to Rhode Island Hospital at about 7 a.m. and received two or three stitches, a hospital spokesperson said.

Hospital spokesman Rick Piester said Dykes was in satisfactory condition, but he would not comment on the extent of injuries. Detective Maj. Milton Wilson said Dykes ''was admitted with a serious eye injury,'' but he did not know how serious the injury was.

Fryar told police that Dykes was set upon ''by an individual or individuals'' at the club. Fryar said he went to Dykes' aid, ''at which time he was wounded in the head,'' Wilson said.

The incident was just the latest for the troubled New England Patriots, both off and on the field.

The Patriots are 1-4 and have lost their three games since the Sept. 17 incident involving Lisa Olson, a reporter for the Boston Herald who claimed she was sexually harassed by a group of Patriots while conducting a locker-room interview.

New England owner Victor Kiam, after initially shrugging off the incident, later vowed ''mammoth changes'' in the management of the team, but withheld action pending an investigation by the National Football League.

Dykes was a first-round draft pick two years ago.

Fryar was the first pick of the Patriots in 1984 and was the NFL's leading punt returner during the Patriots AFC championship season in 1985.

He never got to play in the AFC championship game against Miami, however,

because he was involved in a domestic dispute with his wife that resulted in his suffering tendon damage in his hand when he was cut with a kitchen knife.

Fryar was one of six New England Players whose names were printed four years ago as having been involved with drug use.

In November 1986, Fryar suffered a separated shoulder in a game and left Sullivan Stadium at halftime without permission. As he was driving, he lost control of the car and crashed into a tree, suffering a concussion and facial bruises. In 1988, he was indicted in New Jersey on weapons charges after a state trooper stopped him for speeding.

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#90283u0742 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

KARACHI, PAKISTAN (OCT. 10) UPI - Authorities Wednesday arrested the husband of ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto on charges of kidnapping and extortion officials said.

They said agents of the Federal Investigation Agency arrested businessman Asif Ali Zardari when he went to the FIA office in the southern port of Karachi to answer some queries.

The arrest of Zardari, a prominent businessman who married Bhutto in 1987, had been expected for some weeks on charges of bank fraud.

However, officials said he was charged Wednesday with helping to plot the kidnapping of a wealthy British-based Pakistani businessman, Murtaza Bukhari. Zardari has denied the charge.

Bukhari was abducted in April at his house in Karachi and made to pay about $800,000 before being released.

Police in August arrested Ghulam Hussein Unnar, a member of the Sind provincial Assembly and a close friend of Zardari, for allegedly carrying out the crime.

Zardari last month obtained pre-arrest bail, which forbids police from detaining him for a specified period unless permitted by the courts, in connection with allegations he used his influence to force a bank to give a loan of about $14 million to a businessman friend without surety. Zardari has denied any involvement.

Bhutto is also facing charges of misconduct while in office before Special Disqualification Courts. The courts were set up by President Ghulam Ishaq in what many believe is an attempt to bar her and members of her administration from the scheduled Oct. 24 elections.

Ishaq Khan dismissed Bhutto's 20-month-old administration on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to control law and order. He appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi as interim prime minister until the elections.

Bhutto's counsel Wednesday defended her in one of the special courts in Karachi against a charge that while prime minister she illegally allowed the sale of cotton to a foreign firm at a price below the fixed minimum export rate. Bhutto was not present at the hearing, which was adjourned until Thursday.

Bhutto is facing another charge of corruption in the Karachi court and two more in the northeastern city of Lahore.

If found guilty on any of the charges, she could be barred from politics for seven years and from the forthcoming elections.

Two of Bhutto's former ministers are facing criminal charges of corruption, while three more must appear before the disqualification courts.

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KHARTOUM, SUDAN (OCT. 10) UPI - Sudan Wednesday joined a world chorus of disapproval of Israel, condemning as ''a brutal act'' Monday's killing of more than 20 Palestinians by Israeli security forces in Jerusalem, calling it ''yet another evidence of the genocidal policy pursued by the Israeli authorities against the Palestinian people.''

In a Foreign Ministry statement, the hardline Islamic government of Gen. Omar al Bashir demanded the protection of the Palestinian people and called for the Occupied Territories to be placed under the control of an international peace-keeping force.

It also demanded political, military and economic sanctions to force Israel to comply with the U.N.'s resolution calling for withdrawal from the Occupied Territories and the granting of self-determination to the Palestinians.

It said, ''peace and security constitute an indivisible issue and the Palestinian cause should therefore be handled in a comprehensive framework in accordance with a chronological order that should be observed by the international community.''

Sudan is among the few Arab countries that have lent support to Iraq's Aug. 2 annexation of Kuwait, refusing formally to condemn it and lobbying hard among Arab states for opposition to the western military build-up in the Persian Gulf.

Al Bashir has held frequent talks with Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat on the crisis and joined Arafat in calling for a simultaneous solution to the Kuwaiti and Palestinian issues.

U.N. security council members were to vote on a statement condemning the killings, while Pope John Paul II also condemned Israel Wednesday.

Also Wednesday, Israeli Premier Yitzhak Shamir approved an independent inquiry into the killings, which took place on Temple Mount, a site sacred to both Jews and Moslems.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $392.90 silver base of $4.64 and platinum price of $443.00:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$409.00	414.00
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	209.80	212.30
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	107.70	109.00
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	44.50	45.00
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	409.00	414.00
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	209.80	212.30
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	108.20	109.50
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	44.50	45.00
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	415.60	420.70
China Panda .50 troy oz.	214.10	216.70
China Panda .25 troy oz.	111.10	112.40
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	48.00	48.60
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.60	29.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	409.10	414.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	209.10	211.60
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	105.60	106.80
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	46.00
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	407.20	412.20
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	210.70	213.20
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	108.10	109.40
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.90	46.50
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	407.10	412.10
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	209.30	211.90
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.70	89.80
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	46.50	47.00
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.60	23.80
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$6.02	$6.12

90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,340	$3,410
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,450	$1,475
Platinum		
Australian Koala	465.00	472.00
Isle of Man Noble	453.00	461.00
Canada Maple Leaf	465.00	473.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Argonaut Group)3rd Q)	
$172,300,000	$149,600,000
$21,700,000 (2.38)	$22,700,000 (2.36)
City Natl (3rd Q)	
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a-$14,604,000 (.45)	$14,363,000 (.44)
a-Includes non-recurring income of $416,000.	
Cumberland Fedl (3rd Q)	
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$1,254,000 (.50)	$1,845,000 (.74)
DeKalb Genetics (4th Q 8-31)	
$22,000,000	$19,400,000
$2,800,000 (.49)	$900,000 (.16)
Home Fncl Corp (3rd Q)	
....	....
$2,261,000 (.52)	a-$2,370,000 (.53)
a-Includes pre-tax gain on the sale of investment securities of $564,000.	
Humana Inc (4th Q 8-31)	
$1,280,257,000	$1,078,792,000

$85,122,000 (.78) $66,730,000 (.66)

KLLM Transport Svcs (3rd Q)
$31,823,000 $29,754,000
$985,000 (.38) $700,000 (.28)

Marine Corp (3rd Q)
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$3,388,000 (.53) $2,361,000 (.39)

Mead Corp (3rd Q)
$1,268,200,000 $1,197,500,000
$29,700,000 (.63) $69,700,000 (1.06)

Molex Inc (1st Q)
$170,636,000 $143,165,000
$17,086,000 (.34) $14,709,000 (.29)

Rubbermaid Inc (3rd Q)
$363,982,000 $351,505,000
$38,340,000 (.52) $32,560,000 (.44)

Service Merchandise (3rd Q)
$657,905,000 $621,956,000
d-$7,306,000 d-$11,690,000
d-Deficit.

Stolt Tankers & Term (3rd Q 8-31)
$147,000,000 $140,000,000
$12,400,000 (.46) $15,300,000 (.56)

Sudbury Inc (1st Q 8-31)
$103,751,000 $119,991,000
d-$1,840,000 d-$1,530,000
d-Deficit.

U S Bancorp (3rd Q)
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$48,640,000 (.81) $38,552,000 (.65)

WD-40 Co (4th Q 8-31)
$28,131,000 $23,581,000
$5,947,000 (.79) $5,239,000 (.69)

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#90283u0787 10/10/1990 ~United Press International
EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, CA (OCT. 10) UPI - The shuttle Discovery glided to a

''picture-perfect'' touchdown Wednesday to wrap up a successful flight, leaving the Ulysses probe behind in space on a quest to study the uncharted poles of the sun.

With skipper Richard ''Dick'' Richards, 44, and co-pilot Robert Cabana, 41, at the controls, Discovery gracefully swooped out of the morning sky, settling onto concrete runway 22 on 6:57 a.m. with swirling puffs of blue smoke from its main landing gear tires.

As Discovery barrelled down the runway at some 200 mph, Richards pumped its beefed-up carbon brakes to bring the 100-ton orbiter to a stop in the final test of a four-day 65-orbit flight covering some 1.7 million miles since blastoff Saturday.

''Wheels stopped, Houston,'' Richards radioed mission control.

''Copy, wheels stopped, Discovery; The rest of your team is glad to have you back (and) to have the fastest man-made object in the universe well on its way '' astronaut Brian Duffy said from Houston, referring to Ulysses. ''Congratulations on a picture-perfect mission.''

Wearing bright-orange spacesuits, Richards, Cabana, flight engineer William Shepherd, 41, Bruce Melnick, 40, and Thomas Akers, 39, climbed out of the orbiter about an hour after touchdown and briefly inspected the spaceplane before departing for medical exams and reunions with family members.

All five planned to fly back to their homes in Houston near the Johnson Space Center later in the day.

Before re-entry, the astronauts received greeting from U.S. forces in the Middle East in a message faxed to the spaceship from mission control.

''Yours has been a most successful space mission in the continuing search for answers to make the world a safer and better place to live. Here on the Earth, we strive to ensure the same results. We salute you on a job well done - and happy landings,'' the message said.

Officials said Tuesday Richards and company had chalked up a near- perfect flight, a welcome shot in the arm for the beleaguered space agency after a summer of repeated shuttle launch delays and near- constant criticism over problems with the flawed Hubble Space Telescope.

The astronauts accomplished the primary goal of the 36th shuttle mission, NASA's first in nearly six months, when they successfully deployed the nuclear-powered Ulysses probe Saturday on a $750 million flight over the poles of the sun.

While Ulysses is not equipped with a camera, and while its orbit will never

carry it closer than about 120 million miles to the sun, its instruments will give astronomers their first three-dimensional glimpse of Earth's star, its complex magnetic field and the tenuous solar wind.

To get into the required polar orbit, Ulysses' $87 million three-stage booster fired the craft toward distant Jupiter Saturday for a 1992 flyby that will utilize the planet's titanic gravity for a course-changing boost down, out of the plane of the solar system and back toward the sun.

If all goes well, Ulysses will begin a four-month pass over the sun's south polar region in May 1994. A similar pass over the north polar region is planned for 1995.

As of Wednesday, the 807-pound probe was nearly 2.5 million miles from Earth, hurtling toward Jupiter at more than 91,000 mph relative to the sun.

Elated European Space Agency officials said the spacecraft was working flawlessly, setting the stage for a series of small rocket firings next Monday and Tuesday to fine-tune its course toward Jupiter, more than 510 million miles away.

Discovery's flight was NASA's first in more than five months because of elusive hydrogen fuel leaks that grounded the shuttles Columbia and Atlantis in May, July and September. Atlantis has since been repaired, but Columbia remains grounded.

At the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, the leak-plagued Columbia was hauled off launch pad 39B Tuesday and back to a rocket assembly building to protect it from rain and high winds associated with the remnants of tropical storm Klaus.

If all goes well, Atlantis will be hauled to launch pad 39A Thursday and Columbia will be returned to its firing stand Friday for additional tests to pinpoint the hydrogen fuel leak that has grounded the ship all summer.

Atlantis, meanwhile, is scheduled for launch in early November. The shuttle was damaged last week when when a 70-pound beam fell in the ship's cramped engine compartment, raising new questions about NASA's quality control program.

While Atlantis suffered no major damage, it is not yet clear whether the orbiter will be ready for liftoff on a secret military mission by Nov. 7 as originally planned.

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#90283u0801 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

BLAGNAC, FRANCE (OCT. 10) UPI - A man lost a hand when a tear gas cannister exploded Wednesday during a clash between French police and farmers protesting

the inauguration of a new Airbus factory by President Francois Mitterrand, police said.

Protesting low prices and livestock imports, farmers tried to block the airport runway at Blagnac near Toulouse, 437 miles southeast of Paris, where Mitterrand was scheduled to land to inaugurate a new Airbus assembly plant Wednesday.

Police said 400 farmers with 100 tractors broke through barriers at the airport and that officers responded with tear gas cannisters.

A 21 year-old demonstrator picked up one of the cannisters and lost his hand when it exploded, police said.

''These actions are a result of the violence and irresponsibility on the part of the farmers,'' a police spokesman said.

But the Central Department of Young Farmers blamed the violence on the ''unqualified barbary'' of the police.

''These are the assassins that kill our kids, ruining the life of a young man who only broke a few fences,'' said a vice-president of the farmers' group who asked not to be identified.

For months France has been rocked by farmers protesting low prices and the import of foreign meat. Their difficulties have been aggravated by two unusually dry summers, forcing farmers to slaughter their lifestock, flooding markets with surplus beef and lamb.

The government, embarrased that farmers were able to prevent Mitterrand from officially opening a new line of the high-speed TGV train two weeks ago, ordered a large police force to secure the Blagnac airport and the new Airbus factory to insure Mitterrand's safety.

Police said 900 police with aircraft and helicopters were deployed against the protestors.

The Airbus facility is the largest in Europe. It will assemble A330 and A340 passanger jets.

-30- 2092

#90283u0812 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 10) UPI - Two American Air Force fliers taking part in Operation Desert Shield were killed today in a crash. The Pentagon says their F-111 fighter bomber crashed in the southern Arabian peninsula. The plane was assigned to the 48th Tactical Wing of the Royal Air Force in England. Two U-S helicopters and eight crew members have been missing since Monday in the North Arabian

Sea. A defense department official said the eight probably did NOT survive.

The Persian Gulf and Palestinian problems have become intertwined by Monday's killings of 21 Palestinians in Jerusalem. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein threatened Israel yesterday and warned it to leave occupied Arab lands. British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said a solution to the gulf crisis must involve concessions on the Arab lands. But he said Iraq has to pull out of Kuwait first.

The aggravated battery trial of Edward Humphrey may go to the jury today in Melbourne, Florida. The 19-year-old Humphrey is a suspect in the killings of five college students in Gainesville, Florida, but has NOT been charged. In the Melbourne trial, Humphrey is charged with beating his 79-year-old grandmother. She told police he beat her, but refused to testify against him.

Three people were killed this morning in a house fire in Warren, Michigan. The victims were a 61-year-old woman, her 12-year-old granddaughter and a 10-year-old girl who was spending the night. Officials say two other people escaped and suffered serious burns. Two firefighters tried to rescue the victims and were trapped on the second floor. Other firefighters had to rescue them.

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#90283u0814 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 10) UPI - Philadelphia police say a 14-year-old girl accidentally killed her mother last night when she drove over her. Iris Rodriguez and her daughter went to a 7-Eleven store to get gasoline. The girl was driving the car and the mother stood behind the car to direct her to the pumps. Police say the girl's foot slipped off the clutch, the car jumped into reverse and pinned the mother against a utility pole.

Germany and the Soviet Union have signed a document requiring Germany to pay more than seven-BILLION dollars for withdrawing Soviet troops from what was East Germany. The 380-thousand troops are to leave within four years. The biggest share of the money will be used to build 36- thousand apartments in the Soviet Union for returning soldiers. Germany also is paying for transportation and stationing costs while the troops remain.

Health officials say there is an ''association'' between higher cancer rates around the Pilgrim nuclear power plant in Plymouth, Massachusetts. The state Public Health Department says a possible cause of the elevated leukemia rate may be plant emissions... but NO cause- and-effect relation was established. The report says the association appears to have ended in 1983.

A medical journal has summarized two reports which say Air Force veterans exposed to Agent Orange in Vietnam suffered NO apparent health problems as a result. The Air Force used the defoliant in Vietnam from 1965 to 1970. Critics

disagreed with the report in the Journal of the American Medical Association. Democratic Senator Thomas Daschle of South Dakota accused the Air Force of a ''calculated effort to mislead the public.'' .

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#90283u0857 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI - Two U.S. airmen were killed Wednesday when their Air Force F-111 fighter-bomber crashed in the southern Arabian peninsula, raising to 31 the number of Americans who have died so far in Operation Desert Shield.

At the same time, the Navy officially announced it had called off the search for the eight missing Marines who were aboard two UH Huey helicopters that crashed Monday in the northern Arabian Sea. The helicopters were from the USS Okinawa.

''There were no indications of survivors found during the extensive air and water search of the area,'' the Pentagon said in a statement. ''Some floating debris was recovered.''

The search for the Marines, who were from Camp Pendleton, Calif., was halted at about 11:30 a.m. Persian Gulf time Tuesday but it was not announced until Wednesday, after relatives of the crewmen were notified.

The U.S. death toll now stands at 31 in Operation Desert Shield, exceeding that of the 23 American servicemen killed in combat during last December's invasion of Panama.

A Pentagon spokesman said the F-111 fighter-bomber was assigned to the 48th Tactical Wing, based in England, and was deployed in support of Operation Desert Shield.

The spokesman said the jet was on a training mission at the time of the crash, which occurred at about 5:38 a.m. local time.

The names of the pilot and the crewmember were being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

The Pentagon - concerned about the sensitivities of Arab governments in the region that do not acknowledge a U.S. military presence in their country - refused to publicly disclose what country the F-111 crashed in or exactly where the Americans died, though it was believed to be in either Oman or the United Arab Emirates.

The F-111 crash was the third one in three days.

On Monday, an RF-4C Phantom reconnaissance plane from the Alabama Air National

Guard crashed, also in an undisclosed location in the southern Arabian peninsula, killing the two crewmen aboard, and two Marine UH Huey helicopters disappeared in the northern Arabian Sea with eight crewmen aboard.

The largest loss of life connected with the operation was the Aug. 28 crash of an Air Force C-5 cargo plane in West Germany that killed all 13 crew members aboard. Most were Air Force reservists who had volunteered from San Antonio, Texas. The plane was flying supplies to Saudi Arabia.

Pentagon officials said there was no common link to the accidents and that it was not unusual.

''We have hundreds of people die every year in training accidents (in the United States and elsewhere) and no one seems to notice,'' one official said.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (OCT. 10) UPI - Unemployment in the 12-nation European Community rose in August for the first time in six years, increasing by 0.1 percent to 8.4 percent, officials said Wednesday.

Eurostat, the EC statistical agency, said the last increase in the jobless rate was in August 1984 when it rose to 0.1 percent 10.8 percent. About 13 million EC citizens were jobless in August.

The seasonally adjusted EC unemployment rate had been steadily declining for the past year, from 8.9 percent in August 1989 to 8.3 percent for the past several months.

''One should be careful not to over-interpret the increase, which is partly due to a very large number of young people leaving the educational system,'' said Henning Christophersen, the EC commissioner for economic and financial affairs.

''Nevertheless, the stagnant figures in recent months and this increase give rise to concern about the future development,'' he said.

A Eurostat official said more than 200,000 people under 25 left school and sought employment in August.

''The effect of the Persian Gulf crisis on the unemployment rate is not reflected in the August figures but we expect to see some effect in the figures for September,'' the Eurostat official said.

Citing the Gulf crisis, Christophersen urged continued momentum toward EC economic and monetary union.

''The experience from the 1970s with the first two oilshocks taught us what not to do,'' he said. ''Only through concerted efforts and close coordination can we avoid falling into the same trap as then.''

Ireland had the EC's highest jobless rate in August, at 16.7 percent, while Luxembourg was lowest at 1.6 percent. Spain was 15.5 percent Italy, 10.4 percent France, 9.0 percent Denmark, 8.4 percent Belgium, 8.2 percent Britain, 6.4 percent Germany, 5.2 percent Portugal, 5.0 percent. Figures for Holland and Greece were not listed.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI - Passage of a bill to authorize a referendum on the future political status of Puerto Rico cannot be accomplished in the time left to Congress this year, Sen. Bennett Johnston, D-La., said Wednesday.

Johnston's statement that the bill is dead for the year came as the House prepared to vote on its version of the referendum bill.

The House bill would authorize a vote by Puerto Ricans next year to choose among three options - independence, statehood, or continued commonwealth status.

Johnston, chairman of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, said that even if the House passed the bill there would not be time to reconcile differences with the Senate approach to the issue.

With Congress trying to adjourn within two weeks ''it has become clear that enactment of a Puerto Rico referendum bill is not possible,'' Johnston said.

His committee and the Senate Finance Committee have approved the legislation, but the Senate Agriculture Committee, which also has jurisdiction in the matter, still has not scheduled action on the bill.

''There are substantial differences between the House and Senate approaches to this issue - differences which cannot be resolved within the very limited amount of time remaining in this Congress,'' Johnston said.

Johnston said he intends to meet with leaders of Puerto Rico next month ''to consider where we go from here on this issue.''

If the decision is to proceed, ''then I expect to resume consideration of the Senate legislation where we have left off, and complete Senate action early next year, which would still allow for a referendum in 1991, or early 1992 - well before the scheduled Fall 1992 local elections,'' he said.

The House bill provides for the referendum to be held on Sept. 16, 1991, or

later if agreed to by Puerto Rico's three political parties.

The last plebiscite on the political status of Puerto Rico was held in 1967 when voters chose to maintain the commonwealth status, which has existed since 1952.

Puerto Ricans have been U.S. citizens since 1917, but cannot vote in presidential elections and do not pay federal income tax. They are represented in Congress by a single delegate, who can vote in House committees, but not in the full House.

Johnston said he knew ''many people will be disappointed'' by his announcement but noted, ''We have gone a long way toward giving the people of Puerto Rico an opportunity to vote on their future. ... I look forward to maintaining our momentum'' next year.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI - President Bush's reversal on a possible tax hike for the rich will force Democrats to reconsider their plan to tie the increase to a capital gains tax cut, Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell said Wednesday.

After signing an emergency spending bill Tuesday that allowed the federal government to return to full operation, Bush expressed a willingness to consider steeper taxes for the wealthiest Americans if it were accompanied by a cut in capital gains taxes.

''If it's proper and can be worked, balanced between the capital gains rate and the income tax changes, fine,'' the president said.

But after a hurriedly called meeting late in the day with Senate Republicans opposed to any increase in the income tax rates, Bush backed away from the possible deal.

Mitchell, D-Maine, said Bush's shift would prevent the Senate from moving forward as planned Wednesday on a tax proposal crafted by Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, chairman of the Finance Committee.

''In view of the apparent reversal of the president last evening, we will have to reconsider,'' Mitchell said.

However, Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas said Bush ''didn't acquiesce'' when irate Republicans raised their objections.

''He listened to us,'' Dole said.

Dole denounced the media for portraying the tax ''bubble'' that Democrats want to eliminate as a concession to the wealthy and said tax conflcit threatens hopes for getting a deficit-cutting agreement.

In an angry speech, Dole said there was a campaign of ''disinformation ... distortion,'' adding, ''There is nothing wrong with the 'bubble' unless you are against progressivity.''

The Senate GOP leader said under the 1986 tax code, nobody, including the wealthy, pays more than 28 percent on in taxable income. He said the wealthiest are denied a personal exemption and cannot use the 15 percent rate on the first $32,000 of income given other taxpayers.

Congress and Bush have fought over capital gains rates, but they managed to come together on a budget agreement and an emergency spending bill that ended a three-day shutdown of the government Tuesday. The temporary funding measure will keep the government operating through Oct. 19.

By then, the White House and Congress hope to work out the details of the budget agreement that proposes through tax increases and spending cuts to slash the deficit by $40 billion in fiscal 1991 and by $500 billion over the next five years.

A White House official said Bush told GOP leaders Tuesday that he did not want to raise income taxes on the wealthy unless he could also get a cut in the capital gains tax rate.

''You're not going to get it,'' the official quoted Republicans leaders telling the president. ''Then,'' the official said Bush replied, ''forget it.''

Bush's meeting with Republican leaders occurred after word spread that Bentsen would propose a plan to eliminate the ''bubble'' with an across-the-board top rate of 33 percent.

The bubble'' involves taxable income between $78,400 and $208,690 for a married couple filing a joint return. At $78,400, the tax rate rises from 28 percent to 33 percent, but when it reaches $208,690, it drops back to 28 percent. Eliminating the bubble would leave the rate at 33 percent from $78,400 upward and would only affect those with $200,000- plus in taxable income.

In return for the change, Bentsen's plan calls for reducing the capital gains tax rate and cutting a proposed hike on gasoline from 12 cents to 9 cents per gallon, and dropping a 2-cent-a-gallon tax on heating oil, congressional sources said.

Another key to the Bensten plan would cut Medicare by $43 billion over five years rather than the five-year, $60 billion proposal contained in the

original budget agreement that failed in the House last week.

The new spending blueprint eliminates many specific tax increases and spending cuts worked out by the budget summit process, leaving it up to congressional committees to make those tough choices, particularly on Medicare.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 10) UPI - Defiant communist officials said Wednesday they oppose widespread private property and indicated their party will resist calls to give up its own vast holdings and share power in a coalition government.

The officials, briefing reporters on a two-day Central Committee plenum that ended Tuesday, also rejected the elimination of party cells in the work place and said the Soviet Union will continue to celebrate Revolution Day as a national holiday.

Politburo member Alexander Dzasokhov said Soviet Communists must adapt to the country's new political conditions, but he pledged ''no radical revision of Leninism-Marxism.''

Vladimir Ivashko, the party's No. 2 leader after Mikhail Gorbachev, bristled at one reporter's suggestion the country might consider scrapping the Nov. 7 celebration of the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution and its annual display of military might on Moscow's Red Square.

''The goals of the revolution are noble,'' Ivashko said. ''It is our national state holiday, and we - the party and the Central Committee - support this celebration.''

''If you don't want to celebrate, you shouldn't come,'' Ivashko said. ''No one will drag you there.''

Ivashko, elected to the new post of deputy general security in July at the 28th Party Congress, expressed the need to cooperate with new political forces and described the Communists' new motto as ''tolerance and very patient productive work.''

But when he moved to specific issues, the former Ukrainian party boss indicated little willingness to compromise.

On private property, for example, Ivashko said ''it will have to be restricted for quite a while'' and ''it is a process of privatization, not a one-time act or decree.'' Dzasokhov quoted party economists as saying just 7 percent of all property should be transfered to private ownershp in the next 10-12 years.

''The (Central Committee) plenary session confirmed that our attitude is

negative,'' Ivashko said. ''This is not ideology.''

Ivashko said he supports Gorbachev's call for a national referendum on private property and confidently predicted the Soviet people would vote against widescale privatization.

Gorbachev, both the Soviet president and the party's general secretary, said Monday in opening the plenum, ''Yes, we are encroaching upon socialism, but only the socialism that was build bureaucratically, under which the party veered off the path it embarked on in 1917.''

Ivashko also tersely dismissed the increasingly widespread calls for the Communist Party to give up the valuable buildings and real estate it owns throughout the country. ''The party will keep its property and dispose of its property as it deems necessary.''

On the possibility of power-sharing, Ivashko said proponents of coalition government are ''getting a bit ahead of the times'' and that ''for now I see no such perspective.''

Ivashko also dismissed demands for the removal of Communist cells from the work place, especially in the armed forces, KGB and other security bodies, saying, ''Those who talk about de-ideologization actually mean a change of ideology. There are many people who cannot separate the wheat from the chaff.''

Ivashko also showed anger when talking about the recent exodus from the Communist Party.

''There are people who worked in the party their whole life, and now they have adopted anti-communist positions,'' he said. ''These people have nothing in common with us.''

''There are others who have not withdrawn from the party but do not pay their dues. Gradually we must get rid of such people because they don't want to be real party members. We shouldn't keep them as statistical units. What will they contribute to the party? Nothing.''

Dzasokhov said 20,000 new members have joined the Communist Party this year, but he did not mention that more than 350,000 have left. Ivashko said he ''cannot give concrete figures'' on the total number of members, previously cited as 19 million but now believed to have dropped to 18 million or lower.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI - Despite outspoken criticism of the deal on Capitol Hill, there is little chance of a congressional attempt to block the administration's proposed $7.3 billion arms sale to Saudi Arabia,

congressional sources say.

In interviews this week, members of Congress, other Capitol Hill sources and administration officials said it is more likely that critics of the sale will wait until early next year to take the offensive, when a larger weapons deal with the desert kingdom will be disclosed.

The administration notified Congress Sept. 27 of the $7.3 billion package that includes high-tech tanks, attack helicopters, anti-tank and anti-aircraft missiles and 10,000 trucks, about 1,500 of them for transporting water.

Congress had 30 days from then to act on a resolution of disapproval blocking all or parts of the sale. But no resolution has been filed so far, and with Congress facing major budget fights before a hoped-for Oct. 19 adjournment, the chances of a challenge to the sale were diminishing.

''It's just not going to happen in the two weeks we have left,'' said one Senate aide. ''There's no sense out in the country that you can build a case for a resolution of disapproval that will get enough votes.''

Rep. Larry Smith, D-Fla., one of Israel's staunchest supporters in Congress, said, ''The reality of it is that if a resolution of disapproval were filed, we would not have sufficient time to get it to the floor.''

Complicating the situation was the killing of 21 Palestinians Monday by Israeli security forces after riots broke out on the Temple Mount in Jerusalem.

''This is not the week (to block the sale),'' said Smith, a House Foreign Affairs Committee member. ''But that doesn't mean we think this sale is good or there is justification for it. You have to pick and choose your spots.''

The administration had planned to sell Saudi Arabia $21 billion in arms to help it mount a defense against Iraq, but decided to divide the sale into two parts in response to congressional criticism that the deal would erode Israel's ''qualitative edge'' in Middle East weaponry.

Although the criticism continued when administration officials ventured to Capitol Hill last week to defend the $7.3 billion sale, congressional sources said the complaints were mainly aimed at the second weapons package.

In particular, supporters of Israel are worried that the second sale will include F-15 fighter planes, which were dropped from the $21 billion package.

''The message ... to the administration (was): Don't come back with a bigger package or be a little more thoughtful about it,'' said one congressional aide. ''That's when the fight might be.''

Meanwhile, congressional supporters of Israel were trying to persuade the

administration to provide more arms to the Jewish state and to consider leasing, instead of selling arms, to Saudi Arabia and other Arab states.

Rep. Tom Lantos, D-Calif., another Foreign Affairs Committee member with a record of strong support for Israel, said he had taken part in a ''long meeting'' with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney to discuss such questions and came away ''fully satisified.''

Lantos said Cheney demonstrated a ''willingness to listen'' to congressional fears about Israel's security and about the possiblity that weapons sent to Saudi Arabia could fall into hostile hands if the Saudi royal family were to fall.

Administration officials have said that even with the weapons sales, Saudi Arabia would be unable to defend itself against an attack by Iraq or Iran without help from the United States or other outside forces.

Instead, they said the tanks and other weapons would enable the Saudis to slow down a ground assault by their more populous neighbors to the north for long enough to allow U.S. and allied forces to send reinforcements.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 10) UPI - Grain and soybean futures were lower at midmorning on the Chicago Board of Trade.

After a mixed opening, the market retreated under active commercial and professional selling, triggering sell-stops on the way down. Some of the selling was attributed to profit-taking and some to the prospect of clearing weather during the weekend and the probable resumption of harvest activity.

The weekly crop reports indicated the progress of the corn and soybean harvest remained behind normal at the end of last week, and the wet weather across the Midwest so far this week has caused further delays.

However, cooler and drier weather was on tap for the western Midwest and the hard red winter wheat region.

Sluggish export news weighed on soybean prices despite he sale of about 112,000 tons to unknown destinations.

Corn was pressured by news the Soviet Union has said rumors they had bought up to 1 million tons of corn were nothing but rumors.

Wheat was lower in line with losses on the rest of the floor.

Interior and Gulf basis levels were steady to firm.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.32 1/4 off 2; Mar 2.41 off 2 1/4; May 2.47 off 2.

Soybeans Nov 6.26 off 8 1/4; Jan 6.40 1/4 off 8; Mar 6.52 1/2 off 8 1/4; May 6.62 off 8 3/4.

Wheat Dec 2.75 1/2 off 3; Mar 2.89 1/2 off 3 3/4; May 2.96 1/2 off 3.

Oats Dec 1.19 3/4 off 2 1/2; Mar 1.29 3/4 off 2 1/2; May 1.36 3/4 off 2.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Increased				
Procter & Gamble	Q	.50	11-15	10-19
Extra				
Hastings Mfg	..	.10	12-14	11-14
Usual				
Apex Municipal Fd	M	.077664	10-30	10-19
Boddle-Noell Rest	Q	.34	11-15	10-30
Copley Properties	Q	.36	11-6	10-23
Dollar Genrl Corp	Q	.05	12-14	11-23
Hastings Mfg	Q	.15	12-14	11-14
La-Z-Boy Chair	Q	.14	12-10	11-19
Overseas Shiphldg	Q	.12 1/2	11-29	11-1
MuniEnhanced Fd	M	.064193	10-30	10-19
MuniVest Fd	M	.058222	10-30	10-19
Smith(AO)Cp cl-A&cl-B	Q	.20	11-15	10-31
Taurus Muni CA Hld	M	.063985	10-30	10-19
Taurus Muni NY Hld	M	.064879	10-30	10-19
Tenneco Inc	Q	.80	12-11	11-9
VanEck Intl Invest	Q	.06	11-1	10-11
Weyerhaeuser Co	Q	.30	12-3	11-2
World Inco Fd Inc	M	.102482	10-30	10-19

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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(OCT. 10) UPI - Oil prices began to fall in early trading after they had hit more new highs Wednesday on unfounded rumors that U.S. troops had moved into occupied Kuwait.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery was trading late this morning at $39.75 a barrel, down 70 cents from Tuesday's close and down significantly from its high of $41.15 a barrel earlier in the session. WTI opened at $40.80 on the Merc.

''When people started to see prices over $41 they decided to take profits. Traders are psychologically not comfortable over the $40-a- barrel range,'' said Peter Beutel of Pegasus Econometrics Group, Hoboken, N.J.

''There were rumors overnight that U.S. troops had been sent into Kuwait. That got London going and sent prices up here. The rumors were denied by the Pentagon,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading at United Energy Inc. in New York.

''We're kind of pulling back. It's going to be a mixed market,'' Bentz said. ''We're having a little trouble in the prices for petroleum products. It could keep the crude hesitant and from making new highs.''

On the Merc, home heating oil for November delivery had slipped 2.65 cents to $1.035 a gallon after gaining 3.19 cents Tuesday, while November-delivery unleaded gasoline, which rose 4.51 cents Tuesday, was down 2.16 cents to 96.15 cents a gallon.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent crude had gained 15 cents in morning trading to $41.75 a barrel.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light, the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East, dropped 95 cents from Tuesday to $34.45 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt-delivery WTI fell 50 cents to $39.90 a barrel.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 10) UPI - Guard Gary Payton, the No. 2 overall choice in the NBA draft last spring, was expected Wednesday morning to sign a five- year contract with the Seattle SuperSonics worth more than $2 million a year, team officials said.

Sonics president Bob Whitsitt said he and Payton's agent, Don DeJardin, agreed Tuesday night on the contract, ending a five-day holdout for Payton.

Whitsitt said the point guard from Oregon State was expected to reported to

the team's training camp in Lacey Wednesday after signing his contract in Seattle.

The Sonics are believed to have raised their initial offer of $1.7 million per season to more than $2 million. DeJardin lowered his proposal of $2.67 million per year.

Sonics Coach K.C. Jones, who has projected Payton as a starter since his selection in the draft, said Payton probably would participate in a scrimmage Wednesday night.

The 6-foot-4 Payton, chosen college player of the year by Sports Illustrated, averaged 25.7 points, 8.1 assists and 3.5 steals in his senior season for the Beavers.

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COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 10) UPI - The latest Columbus Dispatch Poll shows a majority of Ohioans are against State Issue 3, the Lorain casino proposal, the newspaper reported Wednesday.

The poll also shows the other two issues on the Nov. 6 statewide ballot are favored by voters. State Issue 1 would allow the state to provide housing assistance and State Issue 2 would expand the homestead tax reduction.

The mail poll of 1,597 registered Ohio voters was conducted Sept. 28 through Oct. 4. It showed 55 percent opposed to the casino proposal and 37 percent in favor, with 8 percent undecided.

A similar poll conducted by the newspaper a month earlier had 47 percent approving the issue, but the difference may have resulted from a change in the question's wording. The latest poll used the first paragraph of the official ballot language, which had not been adopted when the previous poll questionnaire was drafted.

The latest poll asked:

''Should the Ohio Constitution be amended to authorize the licensing of a casino resort hotel, including games by electronic and mechanical devices, for profit, in the city of Lorain as a pilot project for a period not yet specified, but for not less than five years, if approved by the voters of the city of Lorain?''

The earlier poll was worded to emphasize the proposal was a pilot project ''to determine the impact of such a facility on economic development and travel and tourism in Ohio.''

That question was based on proposed language then pending before the Ohio Ballot Board.

The proposal by Lorain developer Alan Spitzer is for a $400 million hotel-entertainment complex. If approved by Ohio voters, the amendment would allow Lorain residents to vote on bringing Ohio's first casino to that city. It also would empower the Legislature to establish seven other casino districts across the state.

The casino opponents are spearheaded by various religious groups and the horse racing industry. Race tracks, which enjoy extensive tax breaks from the state, would be forced to pay additional taxes if Issue 3 passes.

On the other issues, the poll showed 43 percent of the participants favoring Issue 1 with 33 percent against and 24 percent undecided. Eighty-nine percent of the respondents favored Issue 2 with only 3 percent against and 8 percent undecided.

The poll is considered accurate to within 3 percentage points.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - mixed.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 69-72.

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(refiling for some points)

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 139.00-142.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 43.00-55.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $240.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $452.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $452.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $108.00-$118.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 296.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00-82.00 c-lb.

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OMAHA (OCT. 10) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 900, slaughter 400, feeders 500; trading on light mid-week offerings of slaughter steers and heifers, moderately active, prices both classes fully steady, instances 25 higher than Tuesday; slaughter cows steady to 1.00 lower; slaughter bulls not established; slaughter steers scattered loads and lots choice No 2-3, few 4s 1100-1350 lb 77.00-78.50, load and package 79.00, part load 79.25, mixed select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 76.00-77.00; slaughter heifers scattered loads and lots choice No 2-3, few 4s 950-1150 lb 77.00-78.25 package 79.25, mixed select and choice No 2-3 950-1100 lb 76.00-77.00; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 breaking few 52.25-53.50, boning 48.50-58.50, low to average cutter few 50.00-50.50.

Hogs slaughter 1,400, feeder pigs 1,000, total 2,400; butchers 1.50-2.00 higher, No 1-3 220- 270 lb 59.50-60.00, numerous under 260 lb 60.00; sows 30

percent, firm to 50 higher, No 1-3 350-500 lb mostly 51.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 53.00-53.50, under 550 lb limited to 53.00.

Sheep 50, slaughter lambs and ewes steady, shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 120- 130 lb No 1-2 pelts 50.00-51.00, 100-120 lb 47.00- 50.00; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-135 lb 48.00-49.00, 100-120 lb 45.00-48.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - The shuttle Discovery is back on Earth, ending the fourth mission of the year and the 36th of the shuttle program. Commander Richard Richards put the nosewheel down on concrete runway 22 at Edwards Air Force Base in California's Mojave Desert just a few minutes ago. The four-day, 65-orbit mission included the launch of the European-built Ulysses sun probe. It is already two and one-half- Million miles out in space, heading toward a May 1994 appointment to study Earth's star.

The Pentagon says two U-S servicemen were killed today when their F- 111 fighter jet crashed in the southern Arabian peninsula during a training mission. The crash occurred the day after two helicopters were lost, and officials said the eight crew members aboard the choppers were presumed killed. The F-111 was assigned to the 48th Tactical Wing of the R-A-F at Lakenheath, England, and was deployed in support of Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia.

South Africa has freed another 21 political prisoners, raising to 66 the number released since August 2nd when the African National Congress suspended its 29-year-old guerrilla war. 15 of the 21 issued a statement from their off-shore island prison endorsing the racial reforms of President Frederik de Klerk. And they have called on all supporters of the A-N-C to ''give peace a chance.''

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(OCT. 10) UPI - Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has agreed to the police minister's request for an independent investigation of the slayings of 21 Palestinians in the Old City of Jerusalem. In response to the violence, Palestinians are continuing widespread general strikes today. The decision on an independent investigation comes as the U-N Security Council considers a resolution condemning Israeli security forces for opening fire on Palestinian demonstrators on the Temple Mount.

Published reports confirm a first-time link that puts Libya in the events behind the two-year-old bombing of Pan Am Flight 103. The article quotes U-S investigators working on the case. The story now has the Syrian-based Popular

Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command paying Libyan agents to carry out the bombing. It is still felt that Iran commissioned the attack as revenge for the downing of an Iranian jetliner by a U-S Navy warship.

The Coast Guard says a fire on an Arco oil platform in the Gulf of Mexico injured six workers, one seriously. The Coast Guard says the fire erupted late last night and was extinguished early this morning by supply boats attached to the rig. There were 24 people on the drilling side of the platform when the flames erupted. Another 60 people were in the berth side. All crew members were accounted for.

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LONDON (OCT. 10) UPI - Rumors U.S. forces had entered into Kuwait and Iraq sent stock prices lower in cautious trading Wednesday on the London International Stock Exchange.

Stocks also fell on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The London Financial Times 100-stock index, which tumbled 67.5 points Tuesday, eased 12.3 points to 2,121.8. The narrower top 30 industrial average slipped 13.8 points to 1,626.7.

Volume amounted to around 427 million shares compared with 824 million shares chnaging hands Tuesday.

Market watchers said increased tensions in the Middle East coupled with rumors of U.S. troop movements combined to send stocks lower.

A Pentagon spokesman denied U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf have been mobilized, and stocks recovered some of their lost ground.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Cable and Wireless lost 19 cents to $7.40.

The oil sector was boosted by the increase in North Sea Brent crude to more than $40 per barrel, a 10-year high, and increased tensions in the Gulf.

Enterprise Oil added 15 cents to $13.06.

Midland Bank PLC fell 25 cents to $3.75 amid adverse comments on its planned merger with a Hong Kong bank.

Barclays Bank PLC lost 31 cents to $6.82 in a generally weak banking sector amid a resurgence of bad debt worries.

Amstrad, the consumer electronics company, lost 11 cents to $1.09 after reporting its profits slipped to $86 million from $151 million.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices closed lower in light trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which fell 32.12 points Tuesday, lost 26.30 points - or 1.8 percent - to 1,407.11.

Traders said stocks fell amid a combination of facors including worries over the Middle East and surging global oil prices.

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FRANKFURT, Germany (OCT. 10) UPI - Bundesbank President Karl Otto Poehl Wednesday cautioned against lowering interest rates in reaction to recent fluctuations in financial markets spurred by rising oil prices and the weakening U.S. dollar.

''It would be wrong to respond to a crisis-prone situation with a policy of cheap money,'' Poehl said in a speech opening an international conference of banking authorities.

''It would undermine the credibility of our central banks and thereby the stability of our economic system,'' he said.

Poehl said he was concerned about skyrocketing oil prices, which hit a record high of $41 a barrel in New York Tuesday. The price of oil has jumped Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

However, he warned central banks against hasty cuts in interest rates to stabilize financial markets.

Poehl said he was also worried about increases in Germany's public debt resulting from the costs of unification, which was completed Oct. 3.

The German government recently lifted this year's debt ceiling to about $64.5 billion to finance the rehabilitation of the crisis-ridden economy in the former East Germany.

''I have no illusions about the financial dimensions of this process, '' Poehl said in regard to the costs of unification, but added the dynamic market in the unified Germany could propel global economic growth.

Poehl told the 200 delegates from 100 countries that central banks can only act as effective monetary bodies if they are politically independent.

The Bundesbank, the German central bank which confers with the federal government but acts independently, has often been credited for its successful

monetary policies which have kept a tight lid on German inflation.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 10) UPI - Briggs & Stratton Corp. said Wednesday it was voluntarily recalling 850,000 fuel tanks on all Quantum Power lawn mower engines sold after July 1, 1989, because of a possible fire hazard.

Briggs & Stratton said it issued the recall in cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission because fuel tanks on the engines may leak gasoline, which could cause a fire under certain conditions.

While eight fires have been reported to the company, only one minor injury has been reported, the company said Wednesday.

The engines being recalled were installed on more than 100 brands of walk-behind lawn mowers. The company said consumers should check their lawn mower engines for the words ''Quantum Power'' on the top of the engine. If the words appear on the top of the engine, the fuel tank is subject to recall.

Briggs & Stratton said Sears, Snapper and Toro produced some lawn mowers using Quantum Power engines, but the brands did not have the Quantum Power marking.

The company said consumers owning Sears, Snapper and Toro walk-behind mowers purchased after July 1, 1989, should check the model number on the engine to determine whether their engine is being recalled.

The model number is found on a stamped metal plate just above the spark plug. The company said if the first two digits of the model number are ''12,'' then the fuel tank is subject to recall.

Briggs & Stratton said consumers who have a lawn mower engine involved in the recall should immediately check the fuel tank for leakage. If fuel is leaking, the company said consumers immediately should arrange for replacement at one of the 16,000 authorized Briggs & Stratton dealers at no charge.

If the tank is not leaking, the company said consumers should schedule an appointment at the nearest Briggs & Stratton dealer for free replacement of the tank.

The company warned consumers against storing mowers near an open flame or a device using a pilot light, such as a water heater.

Briggs & Stratton said consumers with questions about the recall could call the company toll-free at 1-800-328-4457 Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. CDT.

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MIAMI (OCT. 10) UPI - Tropical Storm Marco formed in the Gulf of Mexico Wednesday from a low pressure system that swallowed up the remains of Tropical Storm Klaus.

Forecasters expected the storm to skirt along Florida's west coast, flinging scattered bands of rain across the peninsula.

Tropical storm warnings were in effect on Florida's Gulf coast from Everglades City to Longboat Key. A tropical storm watch was in effect from Longboat Key to Apalachicola in the Panhandle.

Small craft in the warning and watch areas were advised to stay in port.

At noon EDT, Marco was centered near latitude 25.4 north, longitude 82.9 west, or about 180 miles south of Tampa. It was moving northwest near 10 mph and was expected to turn north during the next 12 to 24 hours.

Marco's maximum sustained winds were near 40 mph, just 1 mph over the tropical storm threshold, and forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami said strengthening was likely during the next day or two.

Tropical storm-force winds extended up to 175 miles from the center, mainly in the western half of the storm.

Forecasters said Marco would generally be a threat only to the marine community.

''However, as the center moves northward winds will shift to the southwest, causing seas to rise 1 to 3 feet, producing coastal flooding and beach erosion '' said hurricane center director Bob Sheets.

Marco is the 13th named storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30. There have not been as many since 1969, when there were 14 named storms.

Marco formed out of a low pressure system that moved over Cuba Tuesday. That system swallowed up the dissipated remains of Tropical Storm Klaus, which killed six people as it moved over the Lesser Antilles last week.

Klaus's remains moved over south Florida Tuesday, dumping 3 inches of rain on Key West and more than 2 inches on parts of Dade County.

Since Klaus no longer had a recognizable center, the merged system was given a new name instead of being declared a rejuvenated Klaus.

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#90283u1091 10/10/1990 ~United Press International
DHAKA, BANGLADESH (OCT. 10) UPI - Thousands of opposition party supporters Wednesday tried to lay siege to the nation's main government office, sparking bloody clashes with police that left at least five people dead and 200 others injured, hospital and witnesses said.

The unsuccessful attempt to surround and cut off the Central Secretariat building was part of a month-long anti-government agitation by the opposition left-wing Awami League and the centrist Bangladesh Nationalist Party.

The anti-government agitation seeks the ouster of the government of President Hussain Muhammad Ershad.

Demonstrators fought with police at several places in the capital city of Dhaka as they tried to reach the government building, witnesses said.

Road blocks were erected and all approaches to the secretariat were sealed by police, who beat party activists and fired several shots as the situation deteriorated, police said.

Police said two people were killed but hospital and witnesses claimed the death of at least five people. They said 200 others were injured, 11 of them shot.

The angry protesters attacked shops and government offices. They also set ablaze several private vehicles, including six vehicles of the U.S. Embassy.

Later, Awami League and Bangladesh Nationalist Party leaders called for a general strike to protest the the shootings.

General Ershad seized power from an elected government in a bloodless coup in 1982 and obtained a five-year presidential term in elections in 1986 that were boycotted by the major opposition parties.

Opposition leaders say there cannot be free and fair elections under Ershad.

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#90283u1095 10/10/1990 ~United Press International
CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 10) UPI - The government freed 21 political prisoners Wednesday in the largest mass release of convicted members of the African National Congress since President Frederik de Klerk lifted a 30-year ban on the movement in February.

Following emotional welcome scenes, the ANC demanded the immediate release of all its members being held for politically motivated crimes. It said in a

statement on ANC prisoners, ''No one should continue to endure any form of punishment.''

A conciliatory statement issued by the 15 prisoners freed from the offshore Robben Island maximum security prison endorsed the racial reform process launched by de Klerk in February and called on all supporters of the ANC ''to give peace a chance.''

The ANC had said the other six prisoners would be freed from four other South African prisons. A Prisons Service spokesman confirmed 21 prisoners were released but was unable to provide details.

As many as 100 cheering relatives and friends welcomed the 15 at the Cape Town harbor quayside, many weeping with joy and several shouting ANC slogans. The crowd quickly mobbed the group, helping them to carry the cardboard fruit boxes full of their belongings.

''We are happy to be released and to be back with the community,'' former prisoner Vrona Banda said on behalf of the Cape Town group. Banda, sentenced in 1983 to 12 years imprisonment on treason charges, was not due for release until 1995.

''We call upon all peace-loving South Africans to support the peace initiative and also urge all those who do support the ANC to give peace a chance,'' he said.

Banda also called on de Klerk to remove all obstacles still standing in the way of power-sharing negotiations between the white government and the black majority.

The releases Wednesday, coinciding with a national holiday honoring the Afrikaner nationalist hero Paul Kruger, raised to 66 the number of prisoners freed since Aug. 2, when the ANC announced a suspension of its 29-year guerrilla war in exchange for agreement on the release of an estimated 1,500 political prisoners by April 1991.

It also was the largest prisoner release since de Klerk lifted a 30- year ban on the ANC in February and ordered the release of black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela from 27 years imprisonment on sabotage charges.

Tuesday, Mandela visited Robben Island - the facility where he spent most of his incarceration - and briefed 20 ANC prisoners about the release program and plans for the return of thousands of political exiles.

There remain some 246 political prisoners on the island - South Africa's Alcatraz - including 17 members of the radical breakaway Pan Africanist Congress.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI - The State Department released a letter Wednesday in which Israel promises for the first time not to provide housing for new Soviet immigrants in the occupied territories, including East Jerusalem.

The letter, signed Oct. 2 for the Israeli government by Foreign Minister David Levy, was sought by the United States as a condition for providing Israel with $400 million in housing loan guarantees for recent immigrants from the Soviet Union.

In the letter, Levy, a former housing minister who aggressively pushed a program of new settlements, including in East Jerusalem, told Secretary of State James Baker, ''The government of Israel's policy is not to direct or settle Soviet Jews beyond the green line.''

The ''green line'' is the political boundary that marked the border of Israel before the 1967 Six-Day War. At that time, the West Bank, Gaza, and Arab East Jerusalem were outside the green line.

Since the war, Israel has officially annexed the Old City of Jerusalem and about 26,000 surrounding acres, but the annexation is not recognized by any other country, including the United States.

The status of Jerusalem surfaced again last week when Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir announced ''a new neighborhood'' of settlements in East Jerusalem, just hours after Baker announced the agreement with Levy.

Baker immmediately ordered one of his senior aides to notify the Israelis that the United States was going to publish the letter Levy had signed, pledging no housing for Soviet Jews in the occupied territories.

Although the make-up of Shamir's announced ''new neighborhood'' has not been disclosed, the language of the Levy letter would appear to bar any Soviet immigrants from living in the new housing.

Further, the letter makes clear that the loan guarantees could not be used for East Jerusalem. Levy's letter said, ''The housing loan guarantees will be restricted to the geographic areas which were subject to the government of Israel's administration prior to June 5, 1967.'' That language would include East Jerusalem.

Those words in the letter also contradict statements made by Levy as he returned to Israel. Jerusalem Radio quoted him as saying he had ''made it clear that Israel did not promise Washington anything in order to receive the loan guarantees to fund immigrant absorption.''

The letter makes several promises about the future of the settlements and the new immigrants, including the pledge that the Israeli government would not encourage Soviet Jewish immigrants to settle ''beyond the green line.''

Levy also promised in the letter to provide the U.S. government with periodic reports on new housing plans, and to open the Israeli government's books on its financial support for other settlement activity.

That would be the first time the Israeli government has made such a concession on the settlement issue, in which there is a continuing disagreement with the United States, which opposes such settlements in the occupied territories.

The recent flood of immigrants, expected to reach 120,000 this year alone, has strained Israeli finances and has alarmed Arab countries who feared that settling the Soviet arrivals in the occupied territories was a way of displacing Palestinian Arabs and preempting any negotiated solution on the future of the territories.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - With puffs of blue smoke swirling from its landing gear, the space shuttle Discovery came to a safe stop on runway 22 at Edwards Air Force Base in California this morning. Discovery landed on the concrete runway to test the orbiter's beefed-up carbon brakes. .

The crew left the shuttle about one hour later for medical check-ups and family reunions. They will fly back to Houston later today. The four-day Discovery mission circled the Earth 65 times and was highlighted by the launch of the European probe Ulysses on its five-year journey to study the sun. NASA plans to move the shuttle Atlantis to launch pad 39-A tomorrow for an early November launch.

President Bush hit the campaign trail today on behalf of North Carolina Senator Jesse Helms, but he didn't stray far from the budget war in Washington. Speaking to Republicans in Raleigh, Bush called on the Congress to pass a budget plan he can support. Helms is locked in a tight race with Democratic challenger Harvey Gantt.

Egypt's interior minister reports that some of the more than 30 pro- Iraqi terrorists arrested in the past several days planned to assassinate unnamed senior Egyptian officials. Egypt has strongly backed the world's response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait by sending troops to Saudi Arabia.

South Korea's new defense minister is apologizing for military surveillance of civilians. Defense chief Lee Jong-koo calls the political spying carried out by security agents ''an abuse of power.'' He told the South Korean parliament's National Defense Committee that more than 13-hundred Koreans have

been illegally watched.

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#90283u1125 10/10/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 10) UPI - Germany has arrested another top intelligence offical on spy charges, the second in 10 days. A spokeman for the Federal Prosecutor's Office in Bonn says a 54-year-old senior official identified only as Klaus K. was arrested this week for selling top-secret documents to the now defunct Stasi, the former East German state security service.

Moscow has set up a four-year timetable to withdraw 380-thousand troops from what had been East Germany. The Soviets also agreed to restrictions covering the presence of its forces in Germany until the pullout is completed.

The British governor of Hong Kong delivered his annual policy address to the Legislative Council today. And it looks forward to 1997 when China regains control of Hong Kong. Governor Sir David Wilson says everything must be done until then make sure that China understands how Hong Kong capitalism works.

A 35-year-old Seattle woman has become the 14th woman to stand on top of the world. The Tourism Ministry of Nepal says Catherine Gibson and her Soviet husband made it to the top of Mount Everest on Sunday, following an eight-hour climb from the fourth rest camp.

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#90283u1129 10/10/1990 ~United Press International
CARACAS, Venezuela (OCT. 10) UPI - Nine Latin American presidents are to gather Thursday to analyze President Bush's plan for a common hemispheric market spreading from the Arctic tundra to the wind-swept island of Tierra del Fuego.

The presidents hope to put their own stamp on the ''Bush initiative'' and take strides toward the elusive, century-old dream of Latin American integration.

''What can a Venezuelan or a Latin American expect from the meeting of nine presidents?'' asked the summit host, Venezuelan President Carlos Perez. ''That finally we make the Latin American integration a reality that up to now has been rhetoric.''

Bush proposed June 27 a new economic order in the hemisphere, the creation of a free trade zone similar to that taking effect in Europe in 1992.

The proposal has generated mostly favorable responses from Latin American leaders who already had begun serious efforts at creation of common markets. The fall of the communist regimes in eastern Europe, political changes in the Soviet Union and the 1992 combining of the economies of western Europe have

pushed Latin America toward creation of economic blocks of its own.

''Latin America runs the risk of being excluded from the important benefits that the new situation has generated,'' said Chilean President Patricio Aylwin the first leader to arrive for the summit.

Besides Perez and Aylwin, participating in the two days of meetings will be presidents Carlos Menem of Argentina, Fernando Collor de Mello of Brazil, Cesar Gaviria of Colombia, Carlos Salinas de Gortari of Mexico, Alberto Fujimori of Peru, Rodrigo Borja of Ecuador and Luis Alberto La Calle of Uruguay.

Mexico already has begun negotiations with the United States to form a free trade zone. The economies of the United States and Canada operate under a similar agreement.

Since Gaviria took office Aug. 7, Colombia has been pushing the Bush administration for special trade concessions to help its economy as it battles the powerful cocaine cartels that operate in the country.

''Colombia hopes to be the second country (after Mexico) to take advantage of the Bush initiative,'' said a top government official.

Several regional integration efforts also already are underway.

In South America, Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay and Chile have set a target date of Dec. 31, 1995, for form a common market.

''We now have a decree of common agreement,'' said Chilean Foreign Minister Enrique Silva Cimma. ''Even if there now exist some differences about economic policy, in December of 1995 integration must be a reality.''

The presidents of Mexico, Colombia and Venezuela also have begun discussions and called for studies on proposals for common electrical system running from Venezuela through Central America to Mexico.

Latin American political and economic integration was first proposed by Simon Bolivar, the general who freed much of South America from Spanish rule at the beginning of the 19th century. But the concept was never widely accepted and his dream has lain dormat since.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI - The Senate killed a proposed cut in Social Security taxes Wednesday after a warning that the reduction would deny the national treasury more than $150 billion in revenues and virtually torpedo any budget agreement.

The Senate rejected the legislation 54-44 on a procedural vote - it exceeded the budget ceiling - precluding a vote on the question of cutting the tax rate and putting Social Security on a pay-as-you-go basis.

The point of order was raised by Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, and it would have taken a 60-vote majority to override it.

''They have not told us where the money will come from,'' he said. ''Somebody will have to come up with $150 billion in revenues if this passes.''

The vote also killed two amendments, both proposals to change the Social Security system, which had drawn strong backing.

One, proposed by Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, R-Minn., would have ended the earnings limitation. Presently, Social Security beneficiaries between 65 and 70 lose $1 for every $3 they earn above $9,360.

The other, offered by Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, would have provided additional benefits for ''notch babies'' born between 1917 and 1926, who, through a quirk in the law, receive sometimes as much as 27 percent less than those born before them. The estimated cost was $4.5 billion a year through the middle of the century and then declining.

Sen. Daniel Moynihan, D-N.Y., the prime sponsor of legisislation to reduce Social Security taxes, said he ''never expected'' final congressional action in the final weeks of the session, but promised to bring the issue back next year.

Sen. James Sasser, D-Tenn., chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, said Congress would have backed Moynihan ''at another time in another way'' but not in the middle of attempts to fashion a deficit cutting budget.

''The Moynihan proposal will become a reality,'' Sasser said. ''It is an idea whose time has come.''

The Moynihan bill would have reduced revenues for the Social Security trust fund by $3.9 billion in fiscal 1991 and by $110.6 billion over five years.

Revenues paid to the Social Security trust fund, as well as several other trust funds, are calculated as income for the federal government and reduce the federal deficit.

Moynihan first proposed a retroactive repeal of last January's increase from 6.06 percent to 6.2 percent in the Social Security tax rate and a reduction to 5.1 percent in January 1991, that would have slashed revenues by $38 billion over two years.

The bill, however, would have reduced the tax rate to 6.06 percent in January of next year and then would have dwindled to 5.1 percent over six years.

Under the Moynihan bill, the tax rate would stay at 5.1 percent from 1996 through 2009 and then gradually climb to 8.1 percent in 2055. It would reach the current 6.2 percent in 2015.

At the same time, the taxable income would have increased from $54, 300 to $55,500 in January and climbed to $85,500 in 1996.

The Moynihan bill would have provided, at the end of 1995, a reserve equal to at least 18 months of benefit payments.

Moynihan said his proposal would have meant an ''immediate increase in take-home pay'' for 132 million American workers and after six years, a family with two incomes would have an increase in yearly income up to $1,544.

The legislation was called up only hours after the Senate gave final approval to a five-year, $500 billion cut in the federal deficit, including $40 billion in fiscal 1991.

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KIGALI, Rwanda (OCT. 10) UPI - France and Belgium Wednesday urged the east African country of Rwanda to avoid human rights abuses in countering an 11-day-old rebel refugee invasion from Uganda, as diplomats in Kigali expressed concern at the apparent disappearance of numerous people in the capital.

''There have been a lot of arrests - between 1,500 and 3,000,'' said one Western diplomat, who spoke anonymously by telephone to Nairobi. ''There are people who have been disappeared.''

The French Foreign Ministry urged the government of President Juvenal Habyarimana to begin dialogue with all the country's political and ethnic groups, and said it had been in touch with other regional states, including Uganda, on ways to find a peaceful solution to the war.

Habyarimana promised a press conference for late Wednesday.

After about 1,500 rebels led by Maj. Gen Fred Rwigyema stormed into the country on Sept. 30, France, Zaire and Belgium all sent troops to Rwanda, but stressed their mission was to protect their resident citizens.

Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni, who has professed ignorance of invasion plans and closed his border to stop more rebels entering, meanwhile, accused Belgium - Rwanda's former colonial master - of failing to help solve the

country's refugee problem.

Museveni said Belgium was in part responsible for the flight of thousands of Rwandans to Uganda from tribal massacres in the early 1960s. Rwanda became independent in 1963.

A Belgian Foreign Ministry spokesman said Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens had twice expressed concern to Rwanda over reports of possible human rights violations and had received assurances that no such violations were taking place.

''They are ... arresting VIPs, army officers, intellectuals and so on,'' the Kigali diplomat said, however.

''It's not clear if this is a sort of preventative measure - let's arrest anyone who might be opposition - or whether they're lining up for a major human rights abuse,'' he said.

Detentions began last week after groups of armed men attacked installations in and around Kigali.

Initial reports said most of those rounded up were being held at Kigali's Nyaminambo sports stadium. But reporters who visited the stadium found it empty late Tuesday, and the whereabouts of the detainees was not known.

The Western diplomat said a lot of those detained were from the minority Tutsi tribe, but that the majority Hutu were not exempt.

''There's an element of randomness to the arrests,'' he said. ''People are being picked up on the street on the way to work.''

The rebels, still fighting an intense bush war in northern Rwanda, have denied that theirs is a tribal war and have also denied ever coming near Kigali. They accused the government Tuesday of sheltering behind foreign troops sent to Rwanda while waging a campaign of persecution against its citizenry.

A spokesman for the rebel Rwandese Patriotic Front said Monday in Brussels that all the security forces were doing ''is arresting people and leaving the security of the city to the Belgians.''

Both Rwanda and its southern neighbor Burundi have a history of some of the most bloody tribal massacres on the African continent. Up to 60, 000 people may have died in a Tutsi massacre of Hutu in Burundi in 1988.

There are 80,000 Rwandan refugees in Uganda, about 250,000 in Burundi and 23,000 in Tanzania.

Would-be rebel volunteers in Uganda have claimed their assault was partly

motivated by outrage at statements from Habyarimana this year that Rwanda was too overcrowded to allow its exiles to return home.

Rwanda is the most densely populated country in Africa. USAID Rwanda director James Graham warned Wednesday the war threatened to hasten a famine that threatens most of the country this fall.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI - The Supreme Court heard oral arguments Wednesday in a case pitting a woman's right to work against a company's attempt to protect the unborn children of its employees.

The ''fetal protection'' case, perhaps the most volatile of the court's 1990-91 term, will determine whether a company has the right to exclude all fertile women from certain jobs because of the fear they could become pregnant and their fetuses exposed to danger.

Women's rights groups and labor unions claim the policy violates Title 7 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Pregnancy Discrimination Act of 1978.

If the court upholds the policy of Johnson Controls Inc. of Milwaukee, Wis., a manufacturer of lead-based batteries with plants nationwide, it would relegate women to ''second class status'' and have a major impact on jobs nationwide, said Marsha Berzon, a lawyer for eight Johnson Controls workers and their union, the United Auto Workers.

''It would keep women from a broad range of jobs,'' she said, explaining that such policies could be used to exclude women from jobs involving toxics, stress, noise and accidents.

The American Civil Liberties Union claims the case could affect 20 million women and could be abused to keep them from high-paid jobs.

Upholding the policy would lead to ''resegregation of the workforce,'' Berzon told the justices. ''It would cut the heart out of Title 7 and the Pregnancy Discrimination Act.''

But Stanley Jaspan, a lawyer for Johnson Controls, said the real issue is whether companies can protect unborn children.

Johnson Controls claims it is a leader in employee safety measures and that its fetal protection policy was instituted in 1982 only after a voluntary policy failed. In the previous 3 1/2 years, eight women became pregnant while exposed to levels of lead that could cause birth defects.

Lead exposure levels established by the Occupational Safety and Health

Administration are too lax, said Jaspan, who said the Centers for Disease Control recommends all women of childbearing age be excluded from jobs with high lead exposure levels.

Justice Antonin Scalia said Johnson Controls is asking district courts to decide, on a case-by-case basis, what levels of exposure to toxics are legally safe.

''It puts us in a very unusual situation of becoming medical experts, '' said Scalia.

And some justices said safety concerns such as those raised by Johnson Controls were used for years to justify keeping women from certain jobs.

''It seems to me that you are not coming to grips with the Pregnancy Discrimination Act,'' Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, the only woman on the bench told Jaspan.

Johnson Controls claims its policy is legal under the ''BFOQ'' defense of Title 7, which allows sex discrimination ''in those certain instances where... sex... is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of that particular business or enterprise.''

Berzon said Johnson Controls does not meet that standard.

A U.S. District Court and the U.S. 7th Circuit Court of Appeals, however, upheld the policy as justified by business necessity.

In a separate case, courts in California ruled Johnson Controls' policy violates that state's anti-discrimination law.

Jaspan said the policy also is in keeping with the Pregnancy Discrimination Act, which bans discrimination against women who can perform their jobs ''safely as well as efficiently.''

Johnson Controls maintains fertile women cannot perform jobs in lead exposed areas safely because a possible fetus could be harmed - not because the worker herself faces undue risk. And since it cannot know which women will become pregnant, the company claims it is justified in excluding all fertile women from certain jobs.

"That was always the justification" for pregnancy discrimination, said Scalia. ''To continue to allow that exemption is to make a farce of the Pregnancy Discrimination Act. ... You're making it a ridiculous piece of legislation.''

Jaspan countered that Congress never intended for an employer to be forced to ''injure a child.''

Many companies say fetal protection policies are needed to protect them from lawsuits that could arise if babies of employees are born with birth defects.

A ruling in the case is not expected before next year.

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CALCUTTA, INDIA (OCT. 10) UPI - Nobel laureate Mother Teresa was awarded the 1990 Soviet Land Nehru award Wednesday for her contribution to the ''cause of humanity,'' the Soviet Union consulate announced.

''I am most grateful for awarding the prize. I accept it for the glory of God and good of our poor. God bless you,'' said the 80-year-old Roman catholic nun in a letter to the Soviet consulate in the communist- ruled West Bengal state capital city of Calcutta, 830 miles southeast of New Delhi.

All the previous recipients of the Soviet Land Nehru award were either communists or closely associated with different Soviet-sponsored organizations.

Soviet Land is a magazine published in all major Indian languages by the Soviet embassy in New Delhi.

The award will be handed to Mother Teresa on Nov. 14 during a celebration to mark the birth anniversary of Jawaharlal Nehru, India's first prime minister, said a Soviet consulate official.

''Mother Teresa has been awarded ... for her outstanding contribution to the cause of humanity at large,'' said the consulate.

The award carries a cash price of $5,500 and a two-week visit to the Soviet Union.

The nun in April announced her retirement, saying she wanted to step down as head of the Missionaries of Charity, an order she founded, because of poor health and advanced age.

But she was re-elected last month to a six-year term as head of the charity.

Mother Teresa, who came to India in 1929, has suffered coronary problems for several years and surgeons last year implanted a pacemaker near her heart.

Doctors have advised her to restrict her activities, but Mother Teresa at the time of her re-election said she had to leave retirement.

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(OCT 10) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Alexander's Inc (4th Q 7-28)	
$97,419,000	$93,577,000
d-$2,488,000	d-$1,691,000
d-Deficit.	
Andover Togs (3rd Q 8-31)	
$27,822,000	$28,404,000
$279,000 (.09)	$714,000 (.22)
CBS Inc (3rd Q)	
$662,200,000	$593,300,000
$43,500,000 (1.69)	$61,900,000 (2.40)
First Amer Bancorp (1st Q 9-30)	
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$1,013,000 (.46)	$966,000 (.44)
First Union (3rd Q)	
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$84,340,000 (.70)	$70,706,000 (.66)
First Wachovia (3rd Q)	
....	....
$75,400,000 (1.08)	$64,700,000 (.93)
INB Financial (3rd Q)	
....	....
$14,843,000 (.82)	$15,607,000 (.86)
Kentucky Utils (3rd Q)	
$151,311,000	$135,197,000
$23,881,000 (.59)	$21,813,000 (.54)
Lincoln Financial (3rd Q)	
....	....
$5,016,000 (.72)	$4,965,000 (.72)
Mercury Finance (3rd Q)	
....	....
$5,994,000 (.34)	$4,585,000 (.27)
Mosinee Paper (3rd Q)	
$51,715,000	$57,505,000
$3,332,000 (.47)	$2,910,000 (.40)

Shelby Williams (3rd Q)
$41,951,000 $41,839,000
$1,007,000 (.11) $1,612,000 (.17)

Talman Home Fedl S & L (3rd Q)
....
$3,879,000 (.40) a-$4,308,000 (.44)
a-Includes a $1,100,000 gain from settlement of vested pension liabilities.

Walgreen Co (4th Q 8-31)
$1,492,331,000 $1,341,069,000
$40,401,000 (.65) a-$33,713,000 (.54)
a-After a loss of (.05) from the sale of Walgreen Laboratories.

Weis Markets (3rd Q 9-29)
$311,185,000 $305,090,000
$21,573,000 (.48) $21,289,000 (.47)

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ATLANTA (OCT. 10) UPI - John Schuerholz left his job as general manager of the Kansas City Royals Wednesday to become general manager and executive vice president of the Atlanta Braves.

Schuerholz, 50, succeeds Bobby Cox, who held the dual post of manager-general manager. Braves President Stan Kasten said Cox will remain field manager.

The Braves finished at 65-97 last season, the worst record in baseball. They were 26 games behind the first-place Cincinnati Reds in the National League West.

Schuerholz joined the Royals in 1968 as an administrative assistant. He became assistant farm director in 1970 and farm director in 1975. He was named major-league Executive of the Year in 1985 when the Royals won the World Series.

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MONROVIA, LIBERIA (OCT. 10) UPI - In the mangrove swamps at the end of the runway of Monrovia's Spriggs-Payne airfield lies the bloody legacy of Samuel Doe's 10-year rule.

Hundreds of skulls peered out from the long grass and bleached, clean bones lay on the dark, wet mud of the killing fields discovered Wednesday by advancing troops of the West African Peacekeeping Force.

Picked clean by insects, perfectly preserved skeletons of slaughtered victims were wrapped in their rotting shorts, T-shirts and skirts.

Others, with smashed skulls, lay naked, the dissolving flesh falling from their bones into the mud.

''They used to come at night,'' said one man who lost five members of his family to Doe's death squads. ''They knocked at the door and said, 'The chief wants to see you.' Then they would take you either to the beach or, more often to the airfield.''

A UPI correspondent counted more than 100 skulls scattered around the end of the runway, but could see more bones littered throughout the dense undergrowth into inaccessible swampland which stretches for miles beyond the airfield.

The killing site was a chilling reminder of the brutality of the decade-long rule of Doe, who was tortured to death on Sept. 9 by rebel leader Prince Johnson.

Thousands filed past his mutilated body when it was exhibited with ears, fingers and toes missing at a Monrovia hospital.

Atrocities and indiscriminate killings have been committed by all sides in Liberia's 10-month civil war.

The peacekeeping force's offensive against rebels in the east of Monrovia also gave access to the St. Peter's Lutheran Church, where Doe's soldiers butchered 600 refugees from rival tribes on July 29.

In a largely destroyed, deserted part of the city, journalists walked through the church's wide-open doors into the stinking, silent nave.

Half-clothed, decomposed heaps of flesh were splayed out on the floor, which rippled with the dull sheen of millions of maggots.

Contorted bodies lay huddled beneath the church pews, while others were piled up in a dark corner beside the altar.

In the choir balcony, entangled corpses testified to vain attempts to escape.

In the classrooms of the adjacent school building, used as dormitories, bodies woken from their sleep by the murderous soldiers were rotting into their mattresses.

On the first floor in a large meeting hall set aside for women and children refugees, clothes clung to the skeletons of female and underaged victims.

Upturned buckets, saucepans and other cooking utensils lay scattered on the floor. Dogs leaped over the bodies.

Shooting broke out when a surviving unit of Doe's disintegrated army that was patrolling the area caught journalists at the church. Col. Michael Tilly, feared by Liberians as the leader of Doe's death squads, accused the reporters of being spies.

Three officers from the West African Peacekeeping Force confronted the group of 40 government soldiers and defused the confrontation, before escorting the journalists to a safe part of town.

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#90283u1226 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, KENYA (OCT. 10) UPI - Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi said Wednesday his security forces uncovered links between armed dissidents arrested this week and powerful politicians he said were plotting to bring down his government.

He pledged a major political crackdown, attacked western governments for sympathizing with his opponents and grouped prominent advocates of multi-party democracy, including internationally acclaimed lawyer Gibson Kamau Kuria, in the same category as the armed detainees.

''They (the opponents) have been saying by next month my government won't be in existence ... that I will not be in the country. Let them know that I will go nowhere for I have strong and loyal security forces at my disposal,'' the 66-year-old president said, addressing a huge crowd at Nairobi's Nyayo sports stadium on the occasion of ''Moi Day,'' the anniversary of his accession to power in 1978.

Kenyan security police Monday arrested a prominent dissident, Koigi wa Wamwere and a number of others at the Nairobi home of a lawyer, Rumba Kinuvia, uncovering five automatic rifles and large amounts of ammunition in the process.

Koigi had been thought to be in self-imposed exile in Norway. Western diplomats said they believed the weapons hoard pointed to a planned terrorist attack.

Further arrests followed, including that of Member of Parliament Chris Kamuyu, Kinuvia and another lawyer, Mirugi Kariuki.

Speaking in Swahili, Moi said the detentions were just the start of a major crackdown on his opponents and crushed hopes that two former cabinet ministers Kenneth Matiba and Charles Rubia, held without trial since July, would be released.

The president said the two men, who campaigned publicly for months for an end to one-party rule in Kenya, were being held ''for their own safety.''

Kenya's debate this year over its political future turned sour in July when Matiba's arrest was followed by five days of rioting and looting sparked by a pro-democracy demonstration that left at least 30 dead and hundreds injured.

Moi accused western governments of sympathizing with his political opponents who he said were not seekers after real deomcracy but sought to promote unrest for its own sake.

''We have been telling our friends from the western world that it is only us (Africans) who know and understand better what is happening in this continent and it is only us who can deal better with those bent on destabilizing the security of our nations,'' he said.

He said Kuria, who fled Kenya in July and is now working at Harvard University was not a genuine pro-democracy campaigner but ''a criminal who wants to cause bloodshed in his motherland.''

Kamau Kuria was awarded the 1988 Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights Award and the Human Rights Award of the Lawyers' Committee for Human Rights.

Moi's July crackdown on opponents drew international criticism and a 50 percent, $5 million military aid cut from the United States.

Kenya has been a de jure one-party state since 1982 and a de facto one since 1969. The government defends the system on grounds that multi- party democracy would cause a reversion to tribalism.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Gold futures closed Wednesday 160 to 180 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	389.70	....	....	388.10	389.70
Nov	394.20	....	....	390.00	391.70
Dec	396.50	397.20	390.10	392.20	394.00
Feb	400.50	401.00	394.00	394.40	398.20
Apr	401.50	402.20	399.00	400.40	402.20
Jun	409.40	409.70	403.10	404.70	406.50
Aug	411.80	411.80	408.70	408.70	410.50
Oct	416.00	416.00	412.90	412.90	414.70
Dec	414.50	417.30	414.50	417.30	419.00

Feb	426.20	....	....	422.10	423.70
Apr	430.80	....	....	426.70	428.30
Jun	433.00	....	....	431.70	433.30
Aug	440.80	....	....	436.70	438.30

Open interest: 116,037 up 3,560.
Estimated sales: 53,000 contracts.

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#90283u1239 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Saks Fifth Avenue said Wednesday it would eliminate about 700 jobs, or about 7 percent of its work force, as part of a new five-year business plan.

The retailer also said it would invest about $250 million over the next five years, primarily on renovations of 12 older stores across the country.

The plan calls for increased emphasis on direct-mail business, equity participation and other incentives for employees, and a shift of resources to ''the selling floor.''

The company said in a statement it would eliminate or reduce ''redundant and marginal administrative positions and re-emphasize sales-oriented functions.''

The job reductions will be shared among the company's 47 stores nationwide and will be achieved by a mixture of attrition and layoffs, said a Saks spokeswoman who declined to be identified. She asaid the reductions would begin immediately and continue over ''a couple of months.''

Chairman and Chief Executive Mel Jacobs said the company would develop an ''entrepreneurial strategy'' in which 100 key employees would be offered equity in the company and others will be offered bonus incentives.

Despite a tough retailing environment, Saks is expecting ''satisfactory results'' for the current year, said Arthur Martinez, vice chairman.

He expressed confidence the fourth quarter, including the Christmas season, would produce sales and profit improvements for 1991, and added the company's targets are based on a conservative view of economic conditions.

''We have the substantial benefit of being able to plan for the future without being burdened by a highly leveraged financial structure, '' he said.

The company said it aimed to double its ''Folio'' direct-mail sales volume by 1995 and would continue to use Folio as a marketing vehicle for the stores.

Merchandising plans will focus on growth in women's fashion apparel, accessories and shoes, cosmetics and fragrances, and men's wear.

The retailer also said it would place greater emphasis on localizing its merchandise, improving merchandise planning and distribution, and controlling investory investment.

Monroe Greenstein, an independent New York-based retail analyst, said the announcement was a ''very solid move'' by Saks. ''It shows they are interested in the long-term health of the business and they are not in it just to make a quick buck and bail out,'' he said.

He said the renovation program was a response to similar moves by Saks' competitors, particularly the Neiman Marcus Group. He added Saks faces new competition in the New York area from Nordstrom Inc. of Seattle, which recently moved into New Jersey.

He said Saks is in a strong financial position due to an injection of equity capital by Investcorp, the international investment group that bought Saks earlier this year from the U.S. arm of London-based B.A.T Industries PLC.

He said a key to Investcorp's strategy with Saks is its allowing retailers, rather than financiers or real estate specialists, to run the company. ''This is extremely important,'' he said.

But another analyst who declined to be identified said the size of the work force reduction indicated the company was experiencing some difficulty.

''An ordinary cutback would be 3 percent; the 7 percent has to indicate a degree of difficulty,'' he said.

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#90283u1243 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

ROME (OCT. 10) UPI - Italy's once-powerful Communist Party plans to drop the communist label and form a new party under the name Democratic Party of the Left, party leader Achille Occhetto announced Wednesday.

Occhetto, 54, made the long-awaited announcement at a meeting of the party directorate as he traced the reasons for the change and made a ''declaration of intent'' on the policies of the reformed party.

He said the main reason for the change was that ''the international communist movement has not succeeded in providing a reply to the problems for which it was designed.''

In dropping its communist tag the Italian party is following the line of most European communist parties in the collapse of communist regimes in Eastern Europe last year.

''I propose that the Italian Communist Party at its (forthcoming) 20th Congress, shall promote and sanction a new party,'' Occhetto said. ''I propose that the name of the new party shall spring from the great ideas that define the fundamental coordinates of the forces of renewal on a world scale - the idea of democracy as the way to socialism.

''I therfore propose that the name of the new party shall be the Democratic Party of the Left (Partito Democratico della Sinistra),'' Occhetto said.

He also proposed that the party's hammer-and-sickle symbol be changed to a ''great and robust tree ... which can become ever stronger only if alongside its deepest roots there grow always new roots to feed it,'' he said.

But at the bottom of the symbol there will remain a small hammer-and- sickle, with small crossed flags of the Italian Republic and the red socialist banner, and a small red star.

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(adding sugar 11 est. volume) NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 4 to 12 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.92	10.07	9.78	9.99	9.95
May	9.93	10.06	9.82	10.02	9.92
Jly	9.93	10.08	9.84	10.02	9.90
Oct	9.94	10.06	9.91	10.06	9.92

Estimated sales: 14,888 contracts

Open interest: 111,709 up 1,932

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.06

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 1 to 5 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.30	23.35	23.30	23.31	23.30
Mar	23.23	23.25	23.23	23.24	23.22
May	23.30	23.33	23.30	23.33	23.29
Jly	23.31	23.34	23.31	23.34	23.29
Sep	23.25	23.28	23.25	23.28	23.23
Nov	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.97	22.94

Estimated sales: 697 contracts

Open interest: 10,683 off 1,169

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#90283u1258 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 10) UPI - Congressional sources in Washington report that there may be little chance to derail a proposed multi-BILLION-dollar arms sale to Saudi Arabia, despite some misgivings. The Saudis have put together a seven-point-three-BILLION-dollar ''wish list'' that includes everything from high-tech tanks to attack helicopters. The sources expect the package will be delivered, given the current political situation in the Persian Gulf.

The Navy is calling off its search for eight Marines missing aboard two Huey helicopters that crashed on Monday during night maneuvers in the North Arabian Sea. The choppers were from the U-S-S Okinawa. Some debris was found during an air and water search, but NO survivors. Today, two more U-S airmen died in the crash of their Air Force F-111 fighter-bomber in the southern Saudi desert. The deaths raise to 31 the number of Americans to die in Operation Desert Shield.

Parts of Florida could get up to three inches of rain today. A storm watch and small craft warnings are in effect in the Florida Keys and along the Gulf Coast. Tropical Storm Marco formed in the Gulf of Mexico near the Keys last night from a low pressure system that swallowed the remnants of Tropical Storm Klaus. Marco's sustained 40-mile-an-hour winds are expected to intensify, but the National Hurricane Center says it will only be a threat to the marine community.

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#90283u1278 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	358.67	216.45	136.09	20.14	305.10
Opening	357.14	215.14	135.46	20.00	303.71
11 a.m.	358.13	216.57	135.68	22.02	304.50
Noon	358.65	216.79	135.78	20.08	304.94
1 p.m.	358.33	216.82	135.69	20.06	304.68
2 p.m.	357.12	215.12	135.21	19.98	303.62
3 p.m.	357.07	216.47	135.09	20.00	303.60

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#90283u1283 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

GEORGETOWN, Texas (OCT. 10) UPI - A gamble on Japanese cattle that Americans once scoffed at as worthless is paying off for a retired stone carver who owns a stockpile of semen from Wagyu bulls valued at $2 million.

''People used to think I was crazy for having these cattle,'' said Don Lively, 62. ''But I made up my mind the Wagyu cattle business would be successful regardless of what it took.''

Lively said cattlemen and agri-business companies from all over the world now travel to his sprawling LoDo Ranch seeking to buy some of the semen so they can start breeding their own herds of Wagyu cattle.

Lively and his partner, rancher Fred Hildebrand, have already sold hundreds of the semen samples, used to artificially inseminate cows, for about $1 million. Each vial sells for $250.

The semen was collected from four Japanese bulls brought to the United States under a veil of secrecy 14 years ago. Lively says the semen is a rare commodity that could revolutionize the beef industry in the United States and Japan.

The bulls, whose names were Fuji, Judo, Mazda and Ryusho, died of old age several years ago. They are believed to have been the only cattle of the famed Wagyu breed to ever leave their homeland.

The Japanese have always been fond of the cattle and hesitant to share the breed with the rest of the world, Lively said. They have closely guarded the cattle and steadfastly refuse to export them.

''You'd be classified as a traitor if you brought it out of Japan,'' he said. ''The Japanese are resentful that we have Wagyu cattle. Some of them won't even admit these are Wagyu when we show the cattle to them.''

The Wagyu's tender, slightly sweet-tasting meat - called Kobe beef - is considered a delicacy that brings up to $180 a pound in Japan. U.S. breeders have always preferred stockier cattle to the spindly legged and sway-backed Wagyu, Lively said.

But interest in the Wagyu has grown since Japan announced it would lift beef import quotas by 1991.

''They can't increase cattle production in Japan,'' Lively said. ''They don't have the land. If you could raise Wagyu cattle here and be the first one to back into Japan with Kobe beef you got yourself a market - be it a niche or the corner on a billion dollars.

''It'll probably be a billion dollars,'' he said.

But Lively and others in the beef industry believe U.S. breeders could also reap huge profits from Wagyus in the domestic market, where some Wagyu cattle have sold for $20,000 to $30,000 a head.

That figure is about 10 times the going rate for average U.S. cattle.

Texas A&M University researchers believe Kobe beef is substantially lower in cholesterol than any other beef and may even reduce cholesterol levels.

''I guarantee you don't know what beef is until you've tasted this beef,'' said Lively. ''It's a healthier meat. I think it'll eventually be served in those white-tablecoth restaurants because it'll be expensive to buy.''

There are about 900,000 head of Wagyu cattle in Japan today, but only about 60 purebreds exist in the United States. Lively said he and his partner own most of those.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	395.00 up 2.75
Morning fixing	392.20 off 2.80
Afternoon fixing	391.80 off 3.20
Close	391.25 off 3.75
Paris	395.03 off 2.98
Zurich	390.50 off 5.00
Hong Kong	391.15 off 4.20
New York	
Comex spot close	388.10 off 1.60
Republic cash	389.00 off 1.50
Handy and Harman	391.80 off 5.20

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 393.12 off 5.20 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 412.78 off 5.40 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.409 off 0.184
Republic cash	4.44 off 0.175

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.515 per fine ounce off 0.13

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.525 off 0.13 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.842 off 0.139

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 443.00 off 9.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 543.00 off 9.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 101.00 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 116.00 off 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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CHICAGO (OCT. 10) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.78 1/2	2.78 1/2	2.74 1/4	2.76 1/4	2.78 1/2
Mar	2.92 1/2	2.93	2.88	2.90 1/4	2.93 1/4
May	2.99 1/2	2.99 1/2	2.95	2.96 1/2	2.99 1/2
Jly	3.03	3.03	2.98	3.00	3.03 1/2
Sep	....	....	....	3.04	3.07 1/2
Dec	3.15	3.15	3.15	3.15	3.16
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.33 3/4	2.36 1/2	2.32	2.35 1/2	2.34 1/4
Mar	2.42 3/4	2.45 1/2	2.40 3/4	2.44 3/4	2.43 1/4
May	2.48 1/2	2.50 3/4	2.46 3/4	2.50	2.49
Jly	2.52 1/2	2.54 1/2	2.50 1/4	2.53 3/4	2.53 1/4
Sep	2.49	2.51 1/2	2.48 1/4	2.50 3/4	2.49 1/2
Dec	2.52	2.54 1/2	2.50 1/2	2.53 1/2	2.52 1/2
Mar	2.57	2.59	2.56 3/4	2.59	2.58 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.21 1/2	1.23 1/2	1.19 1/4	1.23	1.22 1/4
Mar	1.32	1.33 1/4	1.29 1/4	1.33 1/4	1.32 1/4
May	1.38 1/4	1.39 3/4	1.36 1/4	1.39 3/4	1.38 3/4
Jly	1.44	1.45 1/4	1.41 1/2	1.45 1/4	1.44 3/4
Sep	....	....	....	1.51 1/2	1.51
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	6.35	6.35	6.19 1/2	6.25	6.34 1/4
Jan	6.49	6.49	6.33 1/2	6.39 3/4	6.48 1/4
Mar	6.60	6.60 1/2	6.46 1/2	6.51 1/2	6.60 3/4
May	6.70 1/2	6.70 1/2	6.56	6.61 1/4	6.70 3/4
Jly	6.76	6.76 1/2	6.65	6.68 3/4	6.78 1/4
Aug	6.67	6.67	6.62	6.62	6.71
Sep	6.36	6.36	6.30	6.30	6.37
Nov	6.22 1/2	6.22 1/2	6.18 1/2	6.19	6.23 3/4
Jan	....	....	....	6.29 1/2	6.34

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Oct	22.47	22.54	22.02	22.14	22.50
Dec	22.85	22.85	22.32	22.38	22.80
Jan	23.12	23.12	22.57	22.66	23.10
Mar	23.50	23.55	23.01	23.05	23.50
May	23.85	23.85	23.35	23.40	23.85
Jul	24.00	24.00	23.60	23.60	24.06
Aug	23.95	24.00	23.60	23.60	23.96
Sep	23.75	23.75	23.45	23.45	23.73
Oct	23.20	23.25	23.10	23.15	23.45
Dec	23.00	23.00	22.80	22.97	23.35

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	191.00	191.00	185.50	187.80	191.00
Dec	194.00	194.00	189.00	191.60	194.30
Jan	195.00	195.00	191.00	192.80	195.60
Mar	196.00	196.20	193.10	195.10	197.00
May	195.50	196.00	193.20	195.40	196.80
Jul	195.50	196.00	194.00	195.60	196.90
Aug	194.00	194.00	192.50	193.00	194.50
Sep	187.10	187.50	186.00	187.50	188.00
Oct	184.00	184.00	184.00	184.00	184.50
Dec	185.00	185.00	182.50	184.10	185.00

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BOSTON (OCT. 10) UPI - In the latest twist in a nearly 30-year debate over the health effects of coffee, a study of more than 45,000 men found no evidence that coffee boosts the risk of heart disease or stroke, researchers said Wednesday.

The new findings, published in the New England Journal of Medicine, contrast with a recent California study, which found that heavy coffee consumption increases the heart attack risk by 40 percent.

''I think the public is increasingly feeling whipsawed,'' Dr. Harvey Wolinsky, a cardiologist at Mount Sinai Hospital and Medical Center in New York, said of the conflicting results.

Nevertheless, Wolinsky, who believes coffee is safe, called the new study reassuring. ''It's good news to hear that coffee drinking, which the American people consider a part of their day, is not bad for you.''

The research surveyed coffee, tea and caffeine consumption by 45,589 male health professionals ages 40 to 75 with no history of heart disease when the study began.

Questionnaires sent to the men during a two-year period found no indication that consuming even large daily amounts of caffeinated coffee or caffeine from any source increased the rate of heart disease or stroke, said Dr. Walter Willett of the Harvard School of Public Health in Boston.

However, researchers did find drinking more than four cups a day of decaffeinated coffee was associated with a ''moderate and marginally significant'' 50 percent increase in heart disease risk.

Willett called the findings on decaffeinated coffee ''somewhat surprising.'' Buthe cautioned they were based on small numbers - only 1, 512 men drank the decaffeinated brew in large amounts and 22 had evidence of heart disease by the end of the study.

The Boston researcher said he could not explain why decaffeinated coffee might have a different effect than coffee with caffeine, other than to note that a study last year found decaf appeared to increase cholesterol levels.

''People who drink decaf should not be altering their consumption on the basis of these findings alone,'' he said. ''But on the other hand, people should not switch to decaf if it is just out of concern about their heart attack risk.''

The Health Professionals Follow-up Study included more than 29,000 dentists, over 10,000 veterinarians and others involved in health care occupations. The researchers said the men, who averaged 54 years old, were ''not strictly representative'' of the male population because only 10 percent smoked and they consumed relatively little cholesterol.

Willet said people ''shouldn't put too much emphasis'' on the differences in results between his study and recent research led by Dr. Arthur Klatsky of Kaiser Permanente Medical Center in Oakland, Calif., which found drinking more than four cups of coffee daily increased the heart attack risk by 40 percent.

Willett said both studies stand in sharp contrast to a widely- publicized study three years ago which ''showed a 300 percent increase in risk from heavy coffee drinking. Our study doesn't show that and neither does Kaiser's.''

Klatsky speculated his research may have differed in part because participants more accurately reflected the general population, including minority groups, women and people from various social and economic backgrounds.

More than 50 percent of those in Klatsky's study were women and their increased heart attack risk from heavy coffee consumption was 60 percent, versus 30 percent for the men, he said. In addition, about one- third of those in the study were smokers and one-third past smokers.

''It's hard to say why the studies differ,'' Klatsky said. ''There are aspects

of the subject that remain unresolved and more studies are needed.''

Mount Sinai's Wolinsky agreed that the coffee controversy is far from over, despite the new findings.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI - After years of having its warnings and proposals ignored, the National Transportation Safety Board issued a ''call to action'' Wednesday and a ''most wanted'' list of 18 recommendations it wants to see adopted.

The proposals, aimed at the federal government, regulatory agencies, state governments and private industry, include suggestions to fight drunkeness on land, water and in the air.

''What we hope to do is to ensure that Congress, industry and the public have greater awareness of all of these issues and to enlist their help,'' said James Kolstad, board chairman. ''It's a call to action.''

Kolstad said the recommendations were adopted in no order of importance. But he expressed a personal ''favorite'' in a 1984 recommendation calling for passage of laws in all states allowing for administrative revocation of driver's licenses.

Such laws give officials the right to revoke licenses if drivers refuse to take sobriety tests or are found to be legally intoxicated.

''We found it's the single most effective way to get drunken drivers off the road and drunken drivers account for 50 percent of all the nation's highway fatalities,'' Kolstad said.

Twenty-seven states, as well as Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and Guam, were identified as jurisdictions that have not fully implemented such laws.

The board also called on most states to pass laws clearly defining the level of legal intoxication for recreational boat operators and calling for strict enforcement. That recommendation was originally issued in 1984.

In 1988, the board recommended airlines take steps to ensure that pilots are free of alcohol and drug convictions. The Federal Aviation Administration, the target of this recommendation, has moved toward screening and check-up requirements in the past year.

The board also recommended that:

-The Federal Railroad Administration require installation of a train control

system to prevent collisions.

-The FAA require the use of ground proximity warning devices in all planes certified to carry 10 or more passengers.

-The FAA require air traffic controllers to get a readback, or pilot acknowledgment, for all runway instructions, including takeoff and taxi maneuvers.

-The Coast Guard require the licensing of captains of commercial fishing vessels, and that fishing boats meet minimum standards for lifesaving equipment and emergency location equipment.

Other recommendations included proposals on auto safety belts, school bus safety, airplane structural testing and a series of steps - from alcohol testing to medical standards and safeguards against driver fatigue - regarding the heavy commercial trucking industry.

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BONN, GERMANY (OCT. 10) UPI - German authorities appealed to spies in Germany to turn themselves in after they announced several more arrests of intelligence officials believed to have spied in West Germany for the former East German espionage network.

Among the latest arrests were Klaus Kuron, 54, and Gabriele Gast, both employees of the federal intelligence services. Later in the day, the federal prosecutor's office said police took eight other intelligence officials into protective custody.

When East Germany became part of the Federal Republic on Oct. 3, the two West German intelligence services automatically became the agencies for all of Germany.

Government spokesman Hans Klein said that former agents for the now- disbanded East German state-security ministry known as Stasi had provided the federal authorities with a wealth of information about espionage activities within ministries in what used to be West Germany.

Speaking of potential moles still in the ministries, he said that, ''They can assume that they will be uncovered and would be well advised to turn themselves in now.''

A spokesman for the federal prosecutor's office said Kuron was formally arrested Tuesday, three days after he turned himself in to the authorities.

Kuron worked for the Office of the Protection of the Constitution, while Gast,

arrested Sept. 30, was a director in the Federal Intelligence Agency. Both form the federal intelligence services.

The two alleged spies will be charged with ''high treason in a particularly serious case'' - a charge rarely used in the past, which carries a maximum sentence of life imprisonment.

Government officials said that the two had apparently worked for the Stasi, but did not exclude the possibility that the Soviet KGB may have had access to the secret information the pair provided.

The spokesman for the federal prosecutor's office said that Kuron had been paid about $322,000 by the Stasi to disclose the ''entire extent of his knowledge'' including files which ranked as ''top secret.''

He said that Kuron had worked with the West German intelligence service since 1962 and started providing information to the Stasi in 1982.

Kuron gave himself up to the German authorities one day after a KGB agent tried to recruit him, the spokesman said.

He said that Kuron admitted he last met with his Stasi contacts in February in Austria, an apparent confirmation that Stasi activities continued for months after East Germany's hardline Communist leadership collapsed last fall.

The massive Stasi apparatus - about 85,000 people worked full time for the ministry - was dismantled this year. Officials in charge of closing down the operations described the Stasi as the world's most efficient intelligence service.

In recent months, authorities have arrested several people suspected of espionage after receiving information from ex-Stasi officials.

Investigators are also looking for former East German foreign intelligence chief Markus Wolf, who claimed in a letter to Federal Prosectutor Alexander von Stahl that he was vacationing and will return to Germany to face charges.

Authorities reportedly searched Wolf's Berlin apartment for eight hours last Saturday.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 10) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.61 1/4-2.66 1/4 off 2 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.17- 6.25 off 9 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.23 3/4-2.35 3/4 up 1 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.35 3/4-2.41 3/4 up 4 1/4 to off 2 1/4.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - The road to a budget compromise may NOT be as smooth as first thought. Senate Democratic Leader George Mitchell says his party members may take a second look at tying a capital gains tax cut to increased taxes on the very rich now that President Bush has backed away from the tax hike idea. Bush has long championed the idea of a capital gains cut. He seemed to tie it to the tax increase at yesterday's news conference only to later reverse his stand.

The president may be stumping for G-O-P candidates around the country today, but he hasn't left the budget mess in Washington far behind. Bush told a breakfast fund-raiser for North Carolina Senator Jesse Helms in Raleigh that putting more Republicans in Congress would have made the budget story different.

The five Discovery astronauts plan to fly back to Houston this afternoon after undergoing medical check-ups at Edwards Air Force Base in California. The crew left the spaceplane about one hour after the orbiter glided in for a safe landing on runway 22. The shuttle usually lands on the dry desert lake bed, but NASA wanted to test its new braking system. The four-day shuttle mission sent the European probe Ulysses on a five-year trip to study the Sun.

Communist Party officials in Moscow say they will oppose any plans to return property in the Soviet Union to private ownership. And they also oppose the idea of the party giving up the property it has amassed over 70 years in power. Communist leaders also reject suggestions that the November 7th celebration of the 1917 revolution is NO longer relevant to modern-day Soviet culture.

The Washington Post says Pakistan has tried at least three times this year to buy advanced, high-temperature furnaces that can be used in the production of nuclear weapons. The paper says the furnaces are made by a New Jersey firm and are more technically advanced than similar equipment bound for Iraq that was halted by Customs agents in August. Pakistan, which denies it has a nuclear weapons program, reportedly used intermediaries in Europe and North America in a bid to obtain the equipment.

Pakistani authorities today arrested the husband of ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto in Karachi. Asif Ali Zardari, a prominent businessman, was charged with plotting the April kidnapping of a wealthy British-based Pakistani who paid an 800- thousand-dollar ransom for his release. Zardari also may face charges of bank fraud. His wife, Benazir, is accused of official misconduct while she was prime minister of Pakistan.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 10) UPI - An advertised demonstration by prostitutes demanding better protection and legal brothels fizzled Wednesday when none of the ladies of the night showed up.

''Five hundred brothels in 500 days,'' said one slogan in a play on the 500-day economic market plan being championed by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

Yevgenia Debranskaya, an activist who has championed a variety of causes from human rights to rights for prostitutes and homosexuals, represented the prostitutes cause.

The prostitutes were expected to appear on Gorky Street in front of the Inturist Hotel to plead for better protection against police and doormen taking bribes for them and customers beating them up.

But Debranskaya said the prostitutes felt that it was not time yet to demonstrate in public. She explained for them, however, that prostitutes face constant danger and their medical needs are not looked after.

''Five billion condoms instead of one submarine,'' said a large banner unfurled on Gorky Street. Debranskaya then reached into a blue plastic bag and showered the onlookers with condoms.

''Moral tolerance in society is a guarantee of democracy,'' she said.

Once a taboo subject, sex is now discussed in the Soviet press, and newspapapers have analyzed the growing number of prostitutes at hotels for foreigners. AIDS is a frequent subject in newspapapers, and bookstores now sell volumes on sexual problems. Semi-nude calendars and posters are now sold by cooperatives at the entrance to the metro station by cooperatives.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in cautious trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed for Sports Day holiday.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1/2 to 1 1/2, soybeans down 4 1/2 to 9 1/2, wheat down 1 to 3 1/2 and oats up 1/2 to 1 cent.

Cattle Trade - Steady to $1 lower; top $79.00.

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NEW YORK (UPI-FNNPRO) - The U.S. auto industry, faced with a weakening economy, continued strong competition from Japanese automakers and higher fuel prices, is headed for a tough year in 1991, analysts said Wednesday.

Already reeling from sharply lower earnings this year compared with 1989, the Big Three automakers may see their earnings decline further next year, industry watchers said.

''Clearly the economic environment is going to be tougher next year than this year,'' said Jean-Claude Gruet, an auto industry analyst with UBS Phillips & Drew.

Gruet said he expected auto sales would remain weak in the first half of 1991 due to slow growth in real wages, higher unemployment and the impact of the Mideast crisis on consumer pocketbooks and psychology. The second half of 1991 could see a mild recovery, he said.

General Motors Corp.'s position is somewhat stronger than its two U.S. competitors because it is introducing more new models this year and next - including the much-anticipated Saturn line to be launched Oct. 25 - and because it has superior earnings power in the growing European market, Gruet said.

In addition, the No. 1 automaker is somewhat cushioned from the downturn in

the auto industry by its subsidiaries Electronic Data Systems Corp. and Hughes Aircraft Co., he said.

Gruet projected that GM earnings would drop to $3 a share for 1991 from an estimated $3.75 a share this year. GM posted earnings of $6.33 a share in 1989.

Gruet predicted that Ford's earnings would slide to $3.70 a share next year from $5 in 1990. In 1989, the No. 2 automaker posted earnings of $9.06 a share.

The analyst projected that Chrysler's earnings would rise to $1 a share next year, from 35 cents a share this year, largely because the company's results were hurt this year by a number of unusual costs. The No. 3 automaker posted earnings last year of $2.69 a share.

Stephen Girsky, an analyst with PaineWebber, was even more pessimistic about the industry's prospects for next year.

Girsky projected that total sales for the industry would dip to 13.6 million units in 1991 compared with an estimated 14 million units this year. In 1989, the Big Three automakers sold 14.8 million cars and trucks.

Girsky forecast that GM's earnings would fall to $3.35 a share this year and $1.80 a share in 1991, while Ford's earnings would slide to $4.50 this year and $3.40 in 1991. His forecast for Chrysler was even more dismal: a profit of 25 cents a share this year vs. a 25-cent-a- share loss next year.

Girsky said Chrsyler's problems stemmed from an over-dependence on the U.S. market, which accounts for 95 percent of the company's sales, and the lack of new products.

''Chrysler is at a low point in its product cycle. They have new cars coming out in the 1993 model year, but they don't have much before that, '' he said.

''If we come out of the recession before the end of next year, it's not a problem for Chrysler because they're hoarding cash. Any longer than that and it could be a problem - they will lose more money.''

Analyst Jack Kiman of Kidder Peabody was slightly more upbeat about the auto industry's prospects. He projected Big Three earnings this year of $4 a share for GM, $5 a share for Ford and 50 cents to 60 cents a share for Chrysler, with 1991 results flat for all three companies.

But, Kiman said his projections are based on oil prices of $30 a barrel next year, rather than the current $40 level. ''If we don't get oil prices down from where they are right now, we may as well throw darts at a board,'' he said.

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(OCT 10) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Met Coil Systems Corp				
Stock				
SL Industries	..	4PC	11-26	11-13
Increased				
SL Industries	S	.08 1/2	11-26	11-13
Walgreen Co	Q	.23	12-12	11-13
Usual				
Bard CR Inc	Q	.11	11-2	10-22
Battle Mountain Gold	Q	.02 1/2	11-19	11-5
CBS Inc	Q	1.10	12-12	11-28
CSX Corp	Q	.35	12-14	11-23
Caterpillar Inc	Q	.30	11-20	10-22
Cummins Engine Co	Q	.55	12-14	11-30
Lakeland Fst Fncl Grp	Q	.25	11-30	11-9
McGrath RentCorp	Q	.16	10-22	10-31
Pier 1 Imports Inc	Q	.04	11-15	11-1
Rogers Corp	Q	.03	11-15	10-22
Tokheim Corp	Q	.14	11-30	11-9
UtiliCorp United	Q	.36	9-12	8-15
Woolworth Corp	Q	.26	12-1	11-1

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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MELBOURNE, FL (OCT. 10) UPI - A University of Florida freshman named as a suspect in the serial slaying of five students was convicted Wednesday of beating his elderly grandmother.

The Brevard County jury of five men and one woman deliberated one hour before returning with their verdict. They found Edward Lewis Humphrey, 19, guilty of a lesser charge of battery on an elderly person.

Humphrey could be sentenced to a maximum five years in prison. Sentencing is scheduled for Nov. 8.

Humphrey was charged with aggravated battery of an elderly person, which

carries a minimum mandatory sentence of three years and a maximum of 30 years in prison.

But Assistant Public Defender J.R. Russo argued that the state failed to prove that the grandmother, Elna Hlavaty, 79, suffered ''great bodily injury.'' That is the minimum standard that must be met to support the more serious aggravated battery charge.

Hlavaty testified in Humphrey's defense Wednesday morning, saying that her grandson had not attacked her.

''I love him with all my heart,'' Hlavaty said.

In closing arguments, Russo accused prosecutors of trying to ''hammer'' Humphrey on the battery charge because investigators had identified him earlier as a suspect in the serial killings near the University of Florida campus in Gainesville.

''It's my opinion they weren't able to prove the charge and they brought it anyway ... in an attempt to keep Edward Humphrey incarcerated as long as possible,'' Russo said.

Police will no longer comment on whether Humphrey or anyone else is a suspect in the student killings.

The bodies of the five students were discovered in their apartments near the University of Florida campus Aug. 26, 27 and 28. All had been stabbed to death and some had been mutilated. No one has been charged in the killings.

On Tuesday, Dr. Jere Fitts, who treated Hlavaty, testified that the black eye, bloody face and facial injuries Hlavaty suffered resulted from at least three or four blows.

But Hlavaty said she fell when she and Humphrey both reached for a light switch.

She became angry when Assistant State Attorney Phil Williams pointed out inconsistencies with her testimony, the account she gave at a bond reduction hearing Sept. 6 when she said she did not remember how she was injured and statements she gave at the state attorney's office.

Hlavaty testified that anything she said the day of the incident could not be trusted because she was ''addled'' by the fall.

When prosecutors suggested she might be perjuring herself, she said, ''I would do nothing wrong .... If I thought he'd hit me on purpose I'd put him in jail.''

While the family was at a September bond hearing, Florida Department of Law Enforcement Agents swarmed into Hlavaty's home and spent the day looking for evidence in the Gainesville killings. They had a search warrant and a locksmith let them in.

Hlavaty said she was later hospitalized for a heart condition aggravated by the stress of the search.

''They broke into my home. I didn't know they could do that ... that should be illegal,'' she said.

Hlavaty said that before her fall Humphrey told her he had come home to escape the serial killer.

''He said, 'Yes, Grandma, they're killing people in Gainesville. I'm scared.'''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1085.0
Tuesday	1090.4
Week ago	1081.9
Month ago	1099.2
Year ago	1102.1
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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NEW YORK (OCT 10) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	61 7-8	off 7-8
AT&T Company	31 1-8	off 7-8
BCE Inc	30 1-2	up 1-8
Bell Atlantic	46 1-2	off 1 1-2
BellSouth Corp	50 3-4	off 1 1-8
Exxon Corp	48 5-8	off 1 1-8
Ford Motor Co	30 1-8	off 7-8
Genl Electric	51 7-8	off 1
General Motors	36 1-8	up 1-2
GTE Corp	26 1-4	off 1-2
IBM Corp	103 1-2	off 1 7-8
Mobil Oil Corp	58 3-8	off 1 1-8
Nynex Corp	74 1-8	off 7-8

Pac Gas & Elec	22 3-8	off 1-4
Pacific Telesis	42 3-8	off 1 1-2
Phila Electric	15 3-4	off 1-8
Sears Roebuck	23 3-8	off 7-8
Southern Co	24 3-4	off 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	51 3-4	off 1 1-4
US West Inc	35	off 5-8

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.11

60 to 89 days 8.00

90 to 119 days 8.03

120 to 149 days 7.94

150 to 179 days 7.90

180 to 270 days 7.84

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.13 - 8.785

Issuers 30 days 8.04

Issuers 90 days 7.75

Issuers 270 days 7.43

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.21

60 to 89 days 8.20

90 to 119 days 8.23

120 to 149 days 8.25

150 to 179 days 8.25

180 days 8.25

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.00 - 8.125

1 month 8.125 - 8.25

3 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

6 month 8.125 - 8.25

Year 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.21 - 7.19

6 months 7.23 - 7.21

Year 7.15 - 7.13

Federal Funds: High 8 1/8, Low 8, Close 8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7.911 up 0.050.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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CHICAGO (OCT. 10) UPI - United Airlines' pilots stubbornly continued their efforts Thursday to keep a proposed employee buyout of the carrier's parent UAL Corp. alive in the face of stiff management opposition.

The pilots' cause may be aided by what analysts saw as the apparent reluctance of any other prospective buyers to surface any time soon. But that foot-dragging may also extend to the lenders whom the pilots might turn to for help in financing a deal for UAL.

Incensed by the UAL's rejection Tuesday of the latest employee buyout bid, the pilots' union will try to orchestrate a shareholder rebellion while taking management to the mat in new contract talks, buyout group sources said.

''They're intent on employee ownership and they want (UAL Chairman Stephen Wolf) out,'' a source close to the buyuout group - United Employee Acquisition Corp., said. ''The pilots are a lot more vehement than the flight attendants and the machinists,'' who are also a part of the buyout proposal.

The sources said leaders of the Airline Pilots Association have already sought a meeting with representatives of Coniston Partners - UAL's largest shareholder.

They said the union leaders will ask the New York investment group, which holds 11.8 percent of UAL's stock, to lead a drive to unseat the current directors - who unanimously rejected the latest buyout proposal Tuesday - and replace them with a panel amenable to another employee buyout.

No meeting date was set, but Coniston was slated to meet with UAL management next week for a briefing on the company's status and future plans.

Coniston has seen the value of its UAL holdings decline some $150 million in a yearlong slide of UAL stock following last October's collapse of a $6.75 billion, $300-a-share bid by the pilots and UAL management.

Coniston threatened early this year to mount a bid to oust UAL directors unless they moved to bolster stock value. And it was the same threat that pressured the board to endorse a $4.4 billion, $201 a share, employee buyout.

United Employee Acquisition Corp. - which included the pilots' union, the flight attendants and mechanics' unions and non-contract United employees - was unable to finance the deal.

The UAL board terminated the merger agreement Tuesday - the deadline set for financing the $4.4 billion offer - after rejecting two alternative bids that included preferred stock, debt and little or no cash.

Coniston has refused to comment on the UAL situation, but an investment banker knowledgable about recent UAL buyout efforts said Coniston is unlikely to support any bid that fails to include a substantial amount of cash.

''But they could renew their call for a rsstructuring to shore up stock prices

'' he said. ''There are a lot of unhappy people out there.''

The category of unhappy people includes not only shareholders but all three UAL unions - which have been working under expired contracts while pursuing efforts to make United the world's largest employee owned company.

The unions, which had agreed to contract concessions totaling $2 billion as part of the buyout, will be seeking major improvements in wages and benefits.

United's 13,000 flight attendants have been working without a new contract since March 1987, while the airline's 6,000 pilots have been working under an extended contract since April 1988.

The contract betweeen United and the International Association of Machinists - its biggest union, with some 23,000 members - expired last November.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI _ Congress moved into the next phase of its complex budget process Wednesday as committees began putting specific tax increases and spending cuts into the plan to slash the deficit by $500 billion over five years.

The tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee met privately to disucss the specific tax increases it will recommend as well as the levels of cuts in federal benefit programs, like Medicare.

A meeting of the Senate Finance Committee, set for Wednesday afternoon, was canceled as a result of confusion over whether President Bush would support a deal raising income tax rates on the rich in exchange for a capital gains tax cut sought by Bush and many Republicans.

After months of opposing it, Bush indicated publicly for the first time Tuesday he might support such a swap, if it were fair. But a group of Senate Republicans later urged him not to go along and the White House later backtracked, saying such a deal was off the bargaining table.

Bush on Wednesday kept the waters muddy.

''Publically, we're not taking a position on any specific item,'' said Bush press secretary Marlin Fitzwater. ''Our position is we are looking for common ground, we are talking to various members of Congress. ... It's up to Congress not us, to come up with a package.''

He said that although GOP senators left the White House Tuesday afternoon saying Bush had backed off the deal, Fitzwater said Bush made no commitment. "The president didn't say anything. He just listened to them," Fitzwater said.

Arriving in St. Petersburg, Fla., for a second campaign stop of the day, Bush refused to clear up the tax question, saying, ''Let Congress clear it up.''

As the committees struggled with their responsibilities, it was in many ways as if the four-month budget summit with the administration never occurred.

Had their been no summit, which began May 15 at Bush's invitation, Congress's regular budget process - the one it has used for years - would have been followed. Democrat-controlled budget committees in each chamber would have adopted, and the Democrat-controlled Congress would likely have accepted, the budget plan.

Then the Democrat-controlled tax-writing and other committees would have set their own priorities on how to cut the deficit.

But with the House's rejection last week of the $500 billion, five- year bipartisan deficit reduction plan produced by the budget summit, the congressional committees are back in business, ready to establish their own priorities, just as they would have done had there been no summit.

What the summit did was establish the deficit reduction numbers needed this year and over five years. And it forced Bush to admit on June 26 that it was clear to him that ''tax revenue increases'' were needed to cut the deficit.

''We never would have had these overall numbers except for the summit,'' said one Democratic budget aide. ''The summit locked in the bold approach.''

But gone is the requirement, agreed to by summit participants, that any $500 billion, five-year deficit reduction plan Congress passed must win a majority of votes in both parties in both houses to keep one from blaming the other in the November elections for the political pain the package included.

That requirement, House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said Wednesday, ''is now part of the history of the past.''

Gone are the specific tax increases, like the 12-cent-a-gallon gasoline tax, and spending cuts, like the $60 billion Medicare cut, the summit produced. Committees are free to readjust the tax package and both the gasoline tax and the huge Medicare cut are expected to be lowered.

Gone are the lofty promises of bipartisanship and cooperation that surrounded the budget summit.

And, along that line, gone is the need for Democrats to make as many compromises on tax and spending issues now that GOP majorities in each chamber are not needed.

''The battlelines in this (budget) document are going to be favorable to us and unfavorable to them,'' said a House Democratic aide.

If Republicans don't like what the Democrat-controlled committees produce, ''What are they going to argue? That we didn't tax gasoline enough? That we didn't cut Medicare enough?''

The aide said budget gridlock resumes Oct. 19, the deadline for final action on the budget, and the day ''when Bush decides if he'll accept a budget that forces the rich to pay their fair share or whether he'll insist on shutting down the government in favor of a budget that breaks the back of the middle class.''

With less than three weeks to go before the election, Democrats believe Republicans will put pressure on Bush ''to make government work, '' the aide said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2407.92	off	37.62
20 Trans	835.43	off	5.92
15 Utils	203.60	off	1.07
65 Stocks	851.71	off	9.80

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 22 to 60 points lower.

NY Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	73.55	73.69	73.12	73.21	73.43
Mar	74.15	74.20	73.72	73.83	74.18
May	74.50	74.51	74.00	74.00	74.56
Jly	74.80	74.80	74.15	74.15	74.75
Oct	69.20	69.20	69.20	69.25	69.45
Dec	67.90	67.90	67.65	67.65	67.65

Estimated sales: 4,000 contracts
Open interest: 27,094 up 164
The World spot average: 70.29

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OTTAWA (OCT. 10) UPI - Canadian National Railways, stymied by high administrative costs and reduced passenger traffic, Wednesday offered early-retirement packages to 1,500 managers, most of them at the company's headquarters in Montreal.

CN said in a release that the railway's administrative costs were higher than those of CP Rail, the Canadian Pacific Ltd. subsidiary that is CN's major competitor.

About 57 percent of the railway's $4.2 billion in 1989 operating costs went for wages and benefits. Most job cuts will take place in major cities, including Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg.

CN, owned by the federal government, blamed the cuts on declining rail revenues, primarily resulting from an increase in bulk traffic and a corresponding reduction in more profitable passenger business, and on greatercompetition from the trucking industry.

In August, CN reported sharply lower rail profits in the first half of 1990 compared to the same period in 1989.

Since 1985, the railway has reduced its work force to 35,000 from 50, 000, withthe job cuts mainly coming from its unionized ranks.

The CN job cuts followed Air Canada's announcement Tuesday that it would lay off about 2,900 employees and turn away from unprofitable international routes.

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URBANA, IL (OCT. 10) UPI - Dick Jorgensen, an National Football League game official for 23 years and referee of Super Bowl XXIV last January, died Wednesday from a rare blood disorder. He was 56.

Jorgensen, who died at the Carle Clinic, had not worked any games this season.

He joined the NFL as an official in 1968 and worked 12 playoff games, including four conference championships and one Super Bowl. He had been a referee, the chief game official, since 1971.

Jorgensen was also president of Marine Bank in the Champaign-Urbana area for 13 years. He graduated in 1956 from the University of Wisconsin, where he was captain of the basketball team as a senior. He served two years in the Navy after graduation.

Jorgensen is survived by his wife, Adlone, and daughters Londa Dewey, Susan Fitzgerald and Sarah Thompson.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 10) UPI - A comatose, Alzheimer's stricken man whose family won court permission to remove the tube that had been feeding him for five years has begun swallowing food on his own, a nursing home official said Wednesday.

However, the lawyer who led the battle to remove the feeding tube on behalf of the family of Sidney Greenspan of Chicago was skeptical the 82-year-old really can swallow on his own.

Doctors had predicted Greenspan would die within a week of removing the tube. It was removed last Wednesday on the order of Cook County Circuit Judge Richard Dowdle but Greenspan, felled in 1984 by a massive stroke, remained alive seven days later.

Greenspan, an Alzheimer's sufferer, still was comatose but in stable condition and able to swallow food, said Frank Kleinerman, Lake Shore Nursing Centre administrator.

''He's been eating and swallowing. Some days he takes a lot and some days he takes a little. But he's taking enough to sustain his life,'' Kleinerman said. ''He's a very strong gentleman and could live another five or 10 years.''

Cook County Public Guardian Patrick Murphy was skeptical.

''I just talked to Mr. Greenspan's doctor and he told me they're taking two hours to feed Mr. Greenspan a couple of tablespoons of food,'' Murphy said. ''I'm not sure how well he's able to swallow or if he can even do so. I have serious doubts of the good faith of the nursing home for putting him through this.''

Murphy said he would view the feeding on Thursday to determine if the process is humane.

Paul Linton, a spokesman for the group Americans United for Life, said he was encouraged by the development. The group had argued against removing the feeding tube.

Linton said it was interesting Greenspan could swallow despite doctors' testimony that he had lost the reflex necessary to take in food on his own.

''I find that very interesting because one of the neurologists testified without any hesitation that Mr. Greenspan could not take food orally. What this illustrates is that a medical diagnosis can be wrong,'' Linton said.

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#90283u1506 10/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:
Stocks - 167,890,000 shares
1990 to date - 30,974,062,342
Warrants - 1,119,500
1990 to date - 194,103,700

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#90283u1521 10/10/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 10) UPI - Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell says President Bush's reversal on higher taxes for the rich will keep the Senate from moving forward on a tax proposal. Bush changed his mind about tying higher taxes for the wealth to a capital gains cut after meeting with Republicans at the White House yesterday.

Bush campaigned for North Carolina Senator Jesse Helms at a Republican fund-raiser in Raleigh today. Holding NO political grudges, Bush called Helms ''a champion of conviction'' even though Helms helped defeat an administration-backed budget deal last week. .

Bush then traveled to St. Petersburg, Florida, to stump for Governor Bob Martinez. He speaks at a fund-raising dinner in Atlanta tonight for Republican gubernatorial candidate Johnny Isakson.

The Navy has given up any hope of finding eight Marines missing aboard two helicopters that crashed in the North Arabian Sea on Monday. The Pentagon says ''some floating debris'' was recovered, but NO survivors. An Fbomber crashed in the southern Saudi desert today, killing two airmen. .

Oil prices are slipping on world markets after hitting record highs today on rumors that U-S forces were moving into occupied Kuwait. West Texas Intermediate was trading at 39 dollars 75 cents a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange after hitting a high of 41-15.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has approved a request calling for an independent investigation into the slaying of 21 Palestinians by Israeli police on Monday. The incident in Jerusalem touched off widespread Arab general strikes, which continue today.

The near-perfect four-day flight of the Discovery shuttle ended at Edwards Air Force Base in California today. The shuttle and its five- member crew made a smooth landing... ending a 65-orbit mission in which the Ulysses probe was launched to study the uncharted poles of the sun.

Senator Bennett Johnston says action on a bill authorizing an island referendum on the future status of Puerto Rico will be postponed to next year. The Louisiana Democrat says there is NOT enough time to consider the measure

in the closing days of this Congress.

Briggs and Stratton Corporation says it is recalling 850-thousand fuel tanks on all its Quantum Power lawn mower engines sold after July 1st, 1989. The Milwaukee firm says the engines might leak gasoline that could cause a fire under certain conditions. Eight fires have been reported.

Soviet sources say three members of a seven-person climbing expedition fell to their deaths on a mountain in Nepal. The team was attempting to reach the summit of Mount Manaslu, a nearly 24-thousand-foot peak in the Asian nation. The remaining climbers called off their attempt to scale the mountain.

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#90283u1525 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.86	off 0.23
10 Public Utils	90.68	up 0.04
10 Industrials	87.04	off 0.50

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Wednesday - $47,090,000

1990 to date - $8,634,362,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	299.26	off 3.79
High Technology	286.04	off 4.40
Capital Goods	314.34	off 4.56
Consumer Goods	358.08	off 4.92
Service	647.51	off 15.57
Retail	841.51	up 5.99
Financial	355.23	off 1.66
Natural Resources	238.69	off 1.78
Housing-Const-Land	269.67	off 9.46

There was a gain-loss of 0 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	384.57	off 5.17
Mid Atlantic	385.54	off 5.31
No Central	371.20	off 8.25

So Atlantic	812.63	off 12.52
So Central	292.63	off 5.68
Mountain	107.07	off 1.26
Pacific	331.26	off 4.61
Foreign	235.06	off 1.25

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#90283u1534 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 303.09, low 299.15, close 299.26, off 3.79.

There was a loss of 12 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,910,000 shares, compared with 11, 720,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	1
New Lows	80
Advances	145
Declines	401
Unchanged	229
Total Issues	775

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(OCT. 10) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	164.97	off 2.44
ASE Market Value Index	299.26	off 3.79
Dow-Jones Industrial	2407.92	off 37.62

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday.

Stock		$Volume	Close	Chg.
Laidlaw Inc B	(LDMFB)	103,962,728	16 5/8	off 1
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	81,696,280	59 1/2	off 3 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	53,530,680	29 3/4	off 1/2
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	51,781,628	40 5/8	up 5/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	43,391,052	32 1/2	off 3/8
US Bancorp	(USBC)	38,355,212	17	off 2 3/4
Apple Cmpter	(AAPL)	33,999,236	26 1/2	off 1 1/2
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	32,783,558	21 1/2	off 1 1/2

Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	32,467,898	29	up 1
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	30,415,310	17 3/4	up 1/8

Composite Index 145.77 off 2.60

NMS volume 93,636,504 shares.

Advances	489
Declines	1,050
Unchanged	1,255
Total	2,794

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CHICAGO (OCT. 10) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Wednesday - 9,964,000

1990 to date - 1,959,904,000

The market closed sharply lower.

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VENTURA, CA (OCT. 10) UPI - A former funeral home employee was ordered Wednesday to stand trial on charges he murdered a rival mortician in what is believed to be the nation's first oleander poisoning prosecution.

Following a preliminary hearing, David Wayne Sconce, 33, of Pasadena was ordered to stand trial on one count of murder with special circumstance allegations - murder by poisoning - that qualify him for a possible death penalty.

Sconce was ordered to remain in custody without bail and to appear in Superior Court for arraignment Oct. 24.

He is charged with using the lethal leaves of the oleander plant to poison Timothy R. Waters, 24, a Burbank mortician, in 1985, to keep Waters from exposing activities at Sconce's parents' Lamb Funeral home.

Prosecutors said the case is believed to be the first murder prosecution in the country involving oleander poisoning.

Sconce, who worked at the funeral home, is serving a five-year state prison term after pleading guilty in April 1989 to 21 criminal counts involving the mingling of human remains, the theft of body parts and the removal of gold teeth from cadavers.

His parents, Laurieanne Lamb Sconce and Jerry Sconce, are awaiting trial on

similar charges.

Even though Waters died in Ventura county, the case is being handled by the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office because that office has been prosecuting Sconce and his parents for the alleged funeral home violations.

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#90283u1563 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Wal-Mart Strs	3,751,400	25 1/8	off 1
Toys 'R' Us	2,689,500	20 3/4	off 1 3/4
Waste Mangment	2,581,300	30	off 7/8
IBM Corp	2,258,600	103 1/2	off 1 7/8
Philip Morris	2,253,200	45 1/8	off 1/2
Genl Electric	2,144,500	52	off 7/8
AT&T Company	1,583,600	31 1/8	off 7/8
Mobil Corp	1,521,800	58 3/8	off 1 1/8
Ford Motor	1,511,400	30	off 1
Motorola Inc	1,490,800	53	up 1/4
BankAmerica	1,375,600	18 3/8	off 5/8
Merck & Co	1,375,200	76	up 7/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,361,500	27 5/8	off 1
Alcoa	1,356,300	56 1/2	off 3 1/4
Dresser Inds	1,347,900	16 3/4	off 2 1/4

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
BAT Indus	459,400	10 3/4	off 5-16
ENSCO	416,300	3	off 1/2
Fruit of Loom	392,900	7 1/4	off 5/8
Paine W Gr wtB	391,300	9 7/8	unch
Eksport wt	348,500	10 1/8	up 1/4
Echo Bay Mines	299,400	12	unch
Corona Corp A	268,000	5 3/4	unch
Ketema Inc	251,900	8 7/8	off 1/8
Denmark K wt	224,500	20 1/8	unch
Americus T2 sc	221,000	6 1/4	off 1/4

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	33.90-34.00	35.40-35.50
North Sea Brent	40.40-40.50	41.60-41.70
West Texas Intermed	38.65-38.70	40.40-40.50
Light Louisiana Sweet	39.60-39.70	41.50-41.60
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	95.75-96.25	100.00-100.50
No. 2 Heating oil	99.35-99.50	104.40-104.65
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	91.45-91.50	95.60-95.65
No. 2 Heating oil	97.50-97.65	101.80-102.05

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#90283u1579 10/10/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI - A week after German reunification, the Senate added a footnote to history Wednesday by ratifying the treaty that formally returns full sovereignty to Germany.

The Senate voted 98-0 for the treaty that was signed Sept. 12 by the four occupying powers from World War II - the United States, the Soviet Union, Great Britain and France - and by West and East Germany.

The treaty formally ends the rights of the four occupying powers over Germany and Berlin. Germany, in turn, is confined to the borders of the two previous German states and renounces aggressive war.

To prevent any implication that the treaty also recognizes the Soviet Union's post-war borders, the Senate approved a resolution emphasizing that the United States does not recognize the incorporation of the Baltic states of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia into the Soviet Union.

The division of Germany ended Oct. 3 without Senate ratification of the treaty but Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., Foreign Relations Committee chairman, said the pact nonetheless ''constitutes a landmark in international diplomacy.''

''History in our century has been dominated by two overarching events - successive world wars in the first half, and throughout the second half, a great geopolitical rift that has threatened civilization on our planet. The

treaty before us today marks an end to both of these major events,'' he said.

Although senators from both parties united in hailing the treaty as a milestone, Pell clashed with his committee's ranking Republican on the lessons to be drawn from the accord.

Pell called the treaty ''the crowning achievement of the policy of containment pursued by nine consecutive presidents,'' saying the ''defensive shield'' of NATO eventually wore down the Soviet Union.

''This treaty fulfills the major objectives of post-war American foreign policy with respect to Germany: a free and united Germany, linked to the West through social and political systems, reflecting common values,'' he said.

But Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., said containment, a policy devised in the Truman administration, led to ''unprecedented communist expansion abroad'' and the continuation of a heavily armed police state in the Soviet Union.

Helms argued the treaty owed its existence to President Reagan's defense buildup of the 1980s and should be known as the ''Reagan treaty.''

The Foreign Relations Committee ratified the treaty Oct. 2 by a 19-0 vote, although reservations were expressed at that time by Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, R-Minn., a German-Jewish emigre who lost relatives in the Holocaust.

In brief Senate remarks, Boschwitz said he viewed unification with ''some concern'' and said he hoped that a unified Germany would contribute to peace and progress ''rather than the turmoil a unified Germany has created before.''

Under the treaty, Soviet forces will have to withdraw from what is now East Germany by 1994, while U.S. British and French troops will remain in Berlin through 1994 at the request of the German government.

The united Germany also will remain in NATO. But following the withdrawal of Soviet troops, the treaty would bar NATO from stationing nuclear weapons or non-German NATO forces in what had been East Germany.

The Germans also renounced any intention to manufacture, possess, or control nuclear, biological or chemical weapons, and pledged to reduce their combined armed forces from the current 600,000 to 370,000.

Pell, noting the restrictions of the Soviet and Germany military, said the treaty ''may be the most constructive arms control agreement in history.''

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#90283u1586 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 10) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange

and in regional markets Wednesday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5600	off	100
CapCiti/ABC	450 5/8	off	22 3/8
Ogden Corp pf	93	off	12
CBS Inc	158 1/8	off	7 1/2
Atl Rch pfC	316	off	6
Washington Post	202	off	5 1/2
Dillard Dpt Str	68	off	4
Household pfD	60	up	4
Glf St Util pfE	59	off	4
Loews Corp	84	off	3 1/2

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	358.67	216.45	136.09	20.14	305.10
Opening	357.14	215.14	135.46	20.00	303.71
11 a.m.	358.13	216.57	135.68	22.02	304.50
Noon	358.65	216.79	135.78	20.08	304.94
1 p.m.	358.33	216.82	135.69	20.06	304.68
2 p.m.	357.12	215.12	135.21	19.98	303.62
3 p.m.	357.07	216.47	135.09	20.00	303.60
Close	353.11	215.16	134.11	19.76	300.40
Change	off 5.56	off 1.29	off 1.98	off 0.38	off 4.70

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#90283u1617 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI - The Energy Department said Wednesday it would conduct new studies on the danger of explosions in aging storage tanks at the Hanford nuclear weapons plant that could spew radioactive wastes into the environment.

Energy Secretary James Watkins said there are concerns the department has underestimated the potential environmental impact of an explosion in the aging leaking tanks, each of which contains hundreds of thousands of gallons of highly radioactive and toxic wastes.

In addition, the department said a review the high-level radioactive waste program at the Hanford plant in Washington state had ''raised questions''

about whether the department had enough scientific information to assure the tanks were being managed safely.

''The (additional studies) should not be misconstrued as an indication of increased risk to the public,'' Watkins said in a statement. ''Rather, it should be seen as a confirmation of the department's commitment to protecting the environment with full public participation.''

Along with Watkins' announcement, the department released a report by a special team of investigators that concluded the probability of an explosion is low.

However, the investigators said they were working with limited information and therefore, ''the team has no basis at this time to quantify the probability.''

The investigators added, ''Even once better information has been developed on the probability of an explosion, sufficient uncertainty will remain that continued storage of the wastes will be considered unacceptable.''

They urged the department to speed up plans for final disposal of high-level radioactive waste at Hanford, a sprawling facility in eastern Washington where the government has produced materials for nuclear warheads since the 1940's. The processing generated millions of gallons of highly radioactive wastes that were stored in the tanks.

Department officials earlier this year acknowledged for the first time that volatile hydrogen gases could accumulate in the underground tanks in amounts large enough to pose the risk of an explosion.

Under one accident scenario, chemical reactions in the tanks could ignite the explosive hydrogen gases. In particular, Hanford officials say an explosion could be caused by ferrocyanide, a chemical added to some tanks in the late 1950's and early 1960's in an effort to stabilize wastes.

Watkins said the department believes the probability of ''significant'' radioactive releases from a tank explosion is low. But he said a new study by the General Accounting Office, the auditing arm of Congress, suggested releases could be larger than the department's estimates.

The GAO study, which has not been publicly released, was reviewed by the team of Energy Department investigators, who agreed radioactive releases likely would be higher than earlier agency analyses had indicated.

The investigators said they believe the probability of an explosion is low because temperatures in the waste tanks appeared well below the level needed to trigger a ferrocyanide explosion.

They said the lowest temperature at which a ferrocyanide explosion has been

observed in laboratory tests was 446 degrees F. The highest temperature currently measured in a waste tank containing ferrocyanide is 135 degrees F.

''The team believes the overall risk of an explosion is low as long as temperatures in the tanks remain low,'' the team said in a memo to John Tseng, an official in the department's Office of Environmental Restoration and Waste Management.

However, the investigators said those temperatures could increase, especially in tanks where liquid has been removed and the remaining solid waste is drying out. They also said other unforseen chemical reactions could pose danger.

They said improved temperature monitoring would help ensure safety of the tanks for the short term, but plans for permanent disposal of high- level wastes should be accelerated.

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#90283u1620 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 10) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange signed an agreement with the Soviet Union Wednesday to help train Soviets and provide other assistance as the country struggles to establish to a market economy.

The agreement was signed at the end of a three-day financial market seminar that drew 22 NYSE officials and top American financial experts.

''The road will be painful and difficult,'' Finance Minister Valentin Pavlov told the closing session of the seminar for 400 Soviet officials and budding entrepreneurs. ''We are glad as we begin this road that we have such good assistance.''

The agreement signed by Pavlov and NYSE Chairman John Phelan called for continued American assistance as the Soviets attempt to set up financial markets and move away from a centrally planned economy.

Phelan said details of the exchanges were not yet set, but added Soviet specialists would likely travel to the United States for training at the stock exchange and affiliated firms.

The Moscow seminar included lectures on fundamentals such as the difference between stocks and bonds, and practical matters such as accounting procedures and regulations. But Soviet and American participants cautioned it would be some time before the Soviet Union was ready to establish an exchange.

''Declaring that you have a stock exchange is one thing. Having a full, active and functioning marketplace is an entirely different set of facts,'' Phelan said.

Soviet economic reform plans call for setting up a stock exchange and other types of financial markets, but Pavlov acknowledged that the country has much to accomplish before it is ready for such elements of capitalism.

''We have to give an unambiguous answer to one question we have been shirking for quite some time,'' Pavlov said. ''What kind of market are we creating, who will be the agents in that market?

''Although everybody says, as with one voice, that we are developing a market of enterprises, in fact nobody has given enterprises the right to become truly independent.''

President Mikhail Gorbachev has begun ordering preliminary steps toward a market economy, but an overall economic reform plan is still stalled in the Supreme Soviet, the country's parliament.

Pavlov said he could not estimate when the Soviet Union would be ready for a stock exchange, and that there are as yet very few Soviet companies that could participate in a stock market.

Phelan said American financial experts were impressed with the sophisticated market knowledge shown by their Soviet audience, but added that a major cultural change would be necessary before a market system could work.

''The sophistication has to be translated down to more people,'' he said. ''There has to be a cultural change ... a feeling that it is not illegal to have a profitable negotiation between two people, that profit is what drives the system. That is going to take time to change.''

Despite the eagerness of the Soviet government and the seminar audience displayed for a market economy, there are still laws outlawing speculation such as that conducted in a stock exchange. Soviets must overcome 70 years of communist teaching that ''profit'' is a dirty word.

''We still have a lot to learn,'' Pavlov said. ''Nowhere in the world is there a country so far from the market, a country that has totally lost touch with the market.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue

Argntn astrl	.000175	.000178	5693.00	5615.00
Astrl dlr	.8253	.8335	1.2117	1.1998
Astr schll	.0930	.0933	10.75	10.72
Blgm frnc-c	.0318	.0319	31.45	31.37
Blgm frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brzl crzd	.0118	.0118	84.88	84.88
Brtn pnd	1.9685	1.9710	.5080	.5074
Brtn 1-m	1.9592	1.9614	.5104	.5098
Brtn 3-m	1.9429	1.9234	.5147	.5199
Brtn 6-m	1.9210	1.8993	.5206	.5265
Cnd dllr	.8699	.8696	1.1495	1.1500
Cnd 1-m	.8666	.8663	1.1539	1.1554
Cnd 3-m	.8609	.8605	1.1616	1.1621
Cnd 6-m	.8531	.8525	1.1722	1.1730
Chl ps-f	.003457	.003465	289.23	288.60
China yn	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Clmb ps	.001918	.001907	521.38	524.35
Dnmrk krn	.1717	.1719	5.8240	5.8175
Ecdr scr-z	.001214	.001214	823.88	823.88
Egypt pnd	.3706	.3720	2.6983	2.6885
Fnlnd mrkk	.2771	.2774	3.6090	3.6050
Frnc frnc	.1956	.1962	5.1135	5.0980
Frnc 1-m	.1953	.1959	5.1204	5.1050
Frnc 3-m	.1950	.1953	5.1271	5.1196
Frnc 6-m	.1938	.1943	5.1610	5.1460
Grc drch	.006626	.006626	150.93	150.93
Hllnd gldr	.5809	.5809	1.7530	1.7216
HngKng dlr	.1290	.1290	7.7530	7.7530
India rp	.0558	.0558	17.91	17.91
Ind's rp	.000542	.000542	1846.00	1846.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Irq dnr	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Irlnd pnt	1.7555	1.7560	0.5696	0.5695
Isrl shkl	.5063	.5051	1.9750	2.9800
Italy lr	.000874	.000873	1144.75	1145.00
Jpn yn	.007729	.007657	129.38	130.60
Jpn 1-m	.007765	.007686	128.78	130.10
Jpn 3-m	.007881	.007675	126.88	130.30
Jpn 6-m	.008040	.007698	124.38	139.90
Jrdn dnr	1.5674	1.5699	.6380	.6370
Kwt dnr	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lbnn pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mxc ps-z	.000347	.000348	2882.00	2878.00
N.Zlnd dlr	.6168	.6190	1.6213	1.6155
Nrwy krn	.1693	.1693	5.9050	6.9050
Pkstn rp	.0464	.0464	21.53	21.53
Per int	.000002	.000002	435,370	435,370
P'pns ps-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30

Prtgl escd	.007486	.006467	133.58	133.63
Saudi ryl	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Sngpr dlr	.5769	.5779	1.7335	1.7305
S.Afrc rnd	.3967	.3957	2.5211	2.5271
S.Kr wn	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spn pst	.010404	.010433	96.12	95.85
Swdn krn	.1774	.1777	5.6360	5.6270
Swtzrl frnc	.7826	.7849	1.2778	1.2740
Swtzrl 1-m	.7830	.7853	1.2772	1.2734
Swrzrl 3-m	.7831	.7854	1.2770	1.2733
Swtzrl 6-m	.7827	.7847	1.2776	1.2743
Twn dllr	.0373	.0373	26.78	26.78
Trky lr	.000371	.000370	2694.00	2702.00
UAE drhm	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urg'y ps-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Vnz blvr-z	.0208	.0209	48.17	47.77
W.Gr Mrk	.6549	.6550	1.5270	1.5267
W.Gr 1-m	.6548	.6549	1.5271	1.5269
W.Gr 3-m	.6548	.6548	1.5272	1.5271
W.Gr 6-m	.6534	.6533	1.5305	1.5307
Ygsl dnr	.0954	.0955	10.48	10.47

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 10) UPI - Department store operator Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc., in a move to cut its $1.65 billion debt load, said Wednesday it plans to cut about 1,000 jobs from its workforce, a reduction of about 3 percent.

Shares of the company's stock dropped 50 cents to $2.50 Wednesday on the New York Stock Exchange. The stock had fallen 37.5 cents on Tuesday.

Spokesman William Dombrowski said that the move was part of a ''streamlining'' of non-selling activities at its 88 stores, most of which operate in the highly competitive California market.

The loss of jobs, set to take place during the next 12 to 18 months, will be accomplished largely through attrition, Dombrowski said.

Carter Hawley Hale, which operates the Broadway, Weinstocks and Emporium chains, has been operated with a heavy debt load since 1987 when it successfully fended off a takeover attempt and spun off its Neiman Marcus,

Bergdorf Goodman and Contempo Casuals stores.

It said Tuesday that it had lost $25.5 million for the fourth quarter ended Aug. 4 on sales of $623.3 million and that it had agreed to sell its 26-store Thalhimers chain to May Department Stores Co. for $325 million.

Dombrowski said proceeds from the sale would be used to reduce the debt load. He also said that the company plans to spend $110 million over the next two years to remodel 16 to 20 stores.

The company spent $40 million on seven remodelings during the past fiscal year including extensive renovations at its earthquake-damaged Emporium store in Oakland.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI - The Marine Corps called up its first reservists to active duty Wednesday for Operation Desert Shield, assigning them to fill the positions of Marines in Hawaii who were sent to Saudi Arabia.

The Army, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard have called up more than 27,000 reservists and National Guard members to help support military operations in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf region. But the Marines had not called up any reservists until Wednesday.

In a Pentagon statement, the Marine Corps said the commandant, Gen. Alfred M. Gray, ordered about 160 reservists in the 4th Marine Division, the 4th Marine Aircraft Wing and the 4th Service Support Group to report to active duty.

''The reservists will form Combat Service Support Detachment (CSSD)- 40, and will replace active duty Marines at Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii, who have deployed to Operation Desert Shield,'' the statement said.

The detachment was to be activated Wednesday. While in Hawaii, the reservists will be assigned jobs in logistics, supply, ordnance, utilities, motor transport and personnel support, the Pentagon said.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	225.50	228.35	217.50	218.40	221.00
Mar	223.20	223.20	220.50	220.60	223.40
Jun	....	....	....	223.60	226.40

Previous day volume: 87 contracts.
Open interest: 1,170 up 25
CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	307.40	309.30	300.00	302.20	305.75
Mar	309.70	311.70	302.50	304.75	308.25
Jun	307.60	314.50	305.50	307.75	311.25
Sep	316.00	317.00	308.00	310.25	....

Today's estimated volume: 55,053 contracts.
Open interest: 150,179 off 737
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	167.80	169.15	163.80	165.55	167.20
Mar	168.90	170.15	165.40	166.75	168.50
Jun	....	....	....	169.80	168.05

Open interest: 4,806 up 81
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	506.00	513.25	497.00	501.85	507.35
Nov	506.00	513.00	498.00	501.90	507.50
Dec	507.90	515.00	500.00	503.70	509.15

Estimated volume 3,973 contracts.
Open interest: 8,775 up 405

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941- 43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	360.53	351.64	353.11	off 5.56
20 Trans	217.69	214.44	215.16	off 1.29
40 Utils	136.14	133.72	134.11	off 1.98
40 Fncl	20.19	19.69	19.76	off 0.38
500 Stocks	306.43	299.21	300.39	off 4.71

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks

Wednesday	353.11	215.16	134.11	19.76	300.39
Tuesday	358.67	216.45	136.09	20.14	305.10
Week ago	367.37	220.66	134.94	20.89	311.40
Month ago	380.23	231.01	128.65	23.64	321.04
Year ago	409.73	325.59	145.25	35.14	359.13
1990 High	437.37	291.30	157.86	31.87	368.95
1990 Low	353.11	213.23	124.60	19.76	300.39

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(S & P has corrected its 500 Stocks index)

NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	358.67	216.45	136.09	20.14	305.10
Opening	357.14	215.14	135.46	20.00	303.71
11 a.m.	358.13	216.57	135.68	22.02	304.50
Noon	358.65	216.79	135.78	20.08	304.94
1 p.m.	358.33	216.82	135.69	20.06	304.68
2 p.m.	357.12	215.12	135.21	19.98	303.62
3 p.m.	357.07	216.47	135.09	20.00	303.60
Close	353.11	215.16	134.11	19.76	300.39
Change	off 5.56	off 1.29	off 1.98	off 0.38	off 4.71

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	121,040,900
Advances	574
Declines	1,298
Unchanged	2,367
Total	4,239

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TORONTO (OCT. 10) UPI - Imperial Oil Ltd. offered early retirement and severance plans Wednesday to about 13,500 eligible employees in an effort to cut surplus jobs.

Imperial Oil spokesman Dennis Baxter refused to say how many jobs the company hoped to cut, but industry analysts said it was expected about 1,500 employees

would take advantage of the programs.

Baxter said the staff reduction plans were not aimed at the 3,500 additional employees the company acquired in its takeover last year of Texaco Canada Inc.

Denis Mote, oil industry analyst with Toronto-based Maison Placement Canada, said in an interview the job cuts did not reflect Imperial's financial situation. ''The third quarter is going to be outstanding,'' Mote predicted, adding that the job cuts were intended to keep employee levels down.

Imperial has not yet released its third-quarter results. However, in the second quarter, the company suffered one of its worst quarters ever, showing an 86 percent drop in net income from a year earlier.

The company is reportedly on target with a program to shed up to $900 million worth of assets in order to reduce its debt to $3 billion by yearend.

Among plans aimed at cutting staff were two early retirement programs and a severance program. Imperial has more than 15,000 workers, the majority of them in their mid-30s, according to some news reports.

According to Baxter, the early retirement plans were being offered to those workers with 10 years service at Imperial Oil and the severance plan to all remaining employees.

About 13,500 employees were eligible for the plans, Baxter said, excluding workers at several subsidiaries, including the company's chemical division. The chemical division was not directly affected by the takeover.

Workers aged 55 to 65 years can apply for an early retirement pension enhancement program, while those aged 50 to 54 can apply for a similar pre-retirement program.

Baxter said those workers who opt to leave have until Dec. 14 and Jan. 15, respectively, to inform the company. Workers who qualify will be let go by the end of 1991.

Baxter said the career change program, or ''financial program to assist employees interested in seeking a new career outside of Imperial Oil'', was aimed at the remaining employees.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	6	3	8

New lows	285	195	104

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	352	26,034,800
Declines	1,209	130,473,500
Unchanged	422	11,381,700
Total	1,983	167,890,000

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(OCT. 10) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	1
New lows	80

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	145	2,321,700
Declines	401	5,734,500
Unchanged	229	2,853,800
Total	775	10,910,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	167.88	164.97	164.97	off 2.44
Industrial	207.75	204.75	204.75	off 3.17
Transport	131.82	130.65	130.65	off 0.79
Utility	86.15	85.26	85.26	off 1.07
Finance	108.08	106.85	106.85	off 1.60

Equivalent to a loss of 43 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 167,890,000 shares.

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BOSTON (OCT. 10) UPI - A study has found evidence suggesting the drug AZT may be effective in treating people infected with the AIDS virus in doses far lower than once used, scientists said Wednesday.

In the 12-week study at Harborview Medical Center in Seattle, 28 patients with AIDS-related complex, or ARC, were given 300 milligrams of AZT daily - just one-fifth the daily dose of 1,500 milligrams originally recommended when the drug was approved in March 1987.

Fifteen similar patients receive 1,500 milligrams of AZT daily and 24 others were given 600 milligrams daily, which is currently the standard dose.

The patients who received the lowest dose of AZT experienced as much improvement, and suffered fewer side effects, thane patients given higher doses, said Dr. Ann Collier, who headed the study.

Although the findings published in the New England Journal of Medicine are preliminary, Collier said they indicate the miniumum effective dose of AZT has yet to be determined and more studies using very low doses are warranted.

Collier said the study may help set the stage for an approach to HIV treatment ''that says more of something is not necessarily better.'' She said the work also may have significant economic implications for the 1 million Americans infected with the AIDS virus since lower doses of AZT would cost less than current dose levels.

Burroughs Wellcome Co., of Research Triangle Park, N.C., which makes AZT, says the current wholesale price of a year's supply of AZT at the 500-milligram per-day level totals ''less than $2,200 a year.''

AZT, also known as zidovudine, is the only government-approved drug to directly fight the AIDS virus. Although it is not a cure, studies have shown it can prolong the lives of people with AIDS, and also slow disease progress in people with the AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, who have no symptoms.

However, AZT's drawbacks include its ability to cause toxic side effects such as anemia in higher doses and its expense.

Collier said all three dose levels of AZT appeared about equally effective in suppressing the AIDS virus in the patients' blood and helping improve symptoms such as fatigue and weight loss. In addition, she said those in each group had increased numbers of key disease- fighting T-4 cells, although their immune systems remained impaired.

However, there was a notable difference among the groups in the severity of the side effects they experienced, she said. After the initial 12 weeks, 40 of the 47 patients continued treatment. But as time went on, a larger proportion of those receiving the 1,500 milligram dose dropped out, largely because of side effects, Collier said.

''The bottom line is: 'Why bother giving higher doses of a drug that can be

toxic when a lower dose is equally effective?''' Collier said.

Earlier this year, the Food and Drug Administration approved changing dosage recommendations for AZT to say that after the first month of treatment in patients with AIDS symptoms, the daily dose could be cut to 600 milligrams. The recommended dosage for HIV-inrected people who have no symptoms except for depressed immune cell counts is 500 milligrams per day.

At one time, the standard daily dosage was 1,500 milligrams.

In another aspect of the study, Collier said the researchers found that the drug acyclovir, which is widely used to treat herpes viruses, had no effect when used in combination with AZT to treat the ARC patients.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Developer Donald Trump's casino junk bonds dropped Wednesday amidst warnings by a ratings agency and rumors the Trump Organization was going to file for bankruptcy protection.

Trump spokeswoman Norma Foederer denied the bankruptcy rumors, calling them ''totally, absolutely false.''

Trump's Taj Majal and Trump Castle casinos are not generating enough cash to pay interest on their bonds, Fitch Investors Service said.

Without external assistance, the Taj will be unable to make $47.3 million in interest payments due Nov. 15 because of insufficient cash flow, Fitch said.

Trump is seeking to restructure about $1.3 billion of casino bond debt, including about $675 million in Taj debt.

The real estate developer, who survived a payment crunch earlier this year only with the help of a bailout by his banks, has asked bondholders to defer the interest payment in return for equity. Negotiations are still in progress, Fitch said. Fitch projected the Taj's cash flow can service only half the current interest expense on its 14 percent first mortgage bonds due 1998 and estimated the restructured value of the Taj bonds at 49 cents on the dollar. Bondholders may demand up to half of Trump's equity and control of the Taj in the restructuring, Fitch said.

Taj bonds dropped about one-half point to 30 1/2 to yield 48.37 percent in late afternoon trading.

Trump Castle bonds, which pay a 13 3/4 coupon, dropped about 1 1/2 points to 30 late afternoon. The bonds were trading flat - without accrued interest - because traders didn't anticipate future interest payments would be paid.

Trump Plaza bonds, which pay a 12 7/8 percent coupon, dropped slightly to 48 to yield 28 percent. The bonds are expected to make their December interest payments and probably won't be restructured, Fitch said.

Earlier this year, Trump came close to defaulting on a $43 million payment on the Trump Castle casino bonds.

He made the payment after his banks agreed on a bailout plan allowing him to defer interest payments on about $850 million worth of bank debt for up to five years and giving him $65 million in new loans.

His $1.3 billion in publicly traded debt has underwritten the growth of his Atlantic City casinos.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - The nation's supplies of crude oil fell for a fourth straight week as imports continued at low levels, the American Petroleum Institute reported Tuesday.

For the week ended Oct. 5, the API's weekly industry survey showed crude oil inventories fell 4.2 million barrels to 350.4 million from 354.6 million in the prior week but remained above year-ago levels of 337.1 million barrels.

Crude stocks had fallen 19.8 million barrels in the three prior weeks.

Daily imports of crude held in the latest week at 5.4 million barrels, the same as the previous week's revised level, but were substantially less than year-ago imports of 6.3 million barrels a day.

U.S. refineries operated at 87.6 percent of capacity last week, compared with 91.2 percent a week earlier and 88.3 percent a year ago.

The decline in inventories may be the result of some refineries beginning their seasonal maintenance ''turnarounds,'' in which they switch production from gasoline to heating oil.

Inventories of distillate - used for home-heating oil and diesel fuel - fell to 133.3 million barrels from 134.8 million a week earlier but were above year-ago levels of 121.8 million barrels.

Daily distillate production slipped to 2.9 million barrels from 3.0 million in the preceding week. The year-ago daily output was also 3.0 million barrels.

Daily distillate imports fell to 182,000 barrels last week from 337, 000 the previous week and were below year-ago imports of 276,000 barrels a day.

Gasoline supplies increased to 225.7 million barrels from 223.9 million barrels in the prior week and were about even with year-ago levels of 225.8 million barrels.

Stocks of unleaded gasoline, which accounts for 90 percent of the domestic market, also increased, to 174.1 million barrels from 172.0 million a week earlier and remained higher than year-ago levels of 163.0 million barrels.

Daily gasoline production eased off to 7.0 million barrels from 7.3 million barrels in the previous week. The year-ago output was 7.0 million barrels a day as well.

Daily gasoline imports plunged to 216,000 barrels from 480,000 in the previous week and were well below year-ago daily imports of 478,000 barrels.

Daily imports of all refined products tumbled to 1.5 million barrels from 2.4 million in the preceding week and were less than year-ago imports of 2.2 million barrels a day.

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MEXICO CITY (OCT. 10) UPI - Cuban Armed Forces Chief of Staff Ulises Rosales de Toro said Cuba has consolidated its military ties with the Soviet Union and that the island is increasing its defenses.

Rosales de Toro made his comments following a four-day visit to Havana by a ranking Soviet military delegation.

The official Cuban news agency Prensa Latina, in a dispatch monitored in Mexico City, quoted Rosales as saying the visit ''contributed to the consolidation of mutual ties and strengthening of the island's defense capacity.''

The Soviet delegation, headed by Armed Forces Chief of Staff Gen. Mikhail Alexeevich Moiseev, left Cuba late Tuesday.

Prensa Latina quoted Moiseev as saying his trip to Havana ''served to bring closer the ties of brotherhood that have existed and will continue to exist between the two countries and their armed forces.''

''We are faithful to the roots of our friendship and particularly the agreements ... regarding economic, political and military relations,'' he said.

Prensa Latina did not specify any military agreements but mentioned Cuban medical treatment for Soviet troops crippled in Afghanistan and more than 2,000 children affected by the Chernobyl nuclear accident.

The Soviet Union has supported Cuba with an estimated $5 billion a year in direct and indirect aid, although the Cuban government acknowledges food and oil supplies have been affected in recent months.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Rumors of major Persian Gulf developments swept the New York foreign exchange market Wednesday, pushing the dollar higher against most key world currencies with the exception of the Japanese yen.

But currency players said a number of other factors were at work in what one participant described as a ''very confusing'' market. One leading influence was the price of oil, which slipped below $40 a barrel.

Despite market skepticism about Gulf rumors, the dollar lifted when a pair of rumors circulated saying U.S. forces advanced into Iraqi-held territory, and that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had been assassinated.

But the effect was limited. ''We are becoming somewhat immune to rumors,'' said Robert White, a First Interstate Bank currency vice president.

Late in the New York session, the dollar traded at 1.5280 German marks, ahead from 1.5230 Tuesday, and at 129.35 yen, down from 130.20.

Midland Bank treasury officer Donald Hubbard said the dollar moved in a wide range against the mark. In early trading it hit the same low of 1.5200 marks it set Tuesday before recovering in later action.

But he said the dollar was boxed in, with Gulf events on one side pushing up oil prices and hammering U.S. financial markets, and on the other a bleak domestic economic outlook boding lower U.S. interest rates.

''I don't see any big turnaround for the dollar here,'' Hubbard said.

Even so, said White, playing the market is extremely complicated, as even the dollar can strengthen amid conflicting forces.

He pointed to ''a web of influences right now,'' concluding, ''It would be very hard to describe the market in a novella today.''

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2820 Swiss francs, up from 1.2735; 5.1120 French francs, up from 5.0990; and 1,1144.50 Iralian lire, up from 1,143.50.

The pound moved down to $1.9680 from $1.9725.

In Europe, the dollar ended mixed after gaining some ground on rumors of U.S.

troops attacking Iraq or Kuwait. But sentiment was still bearish.

Barclays de Zoete Wedd senior analyst Mark Brett said the dollar gained as it was purchased to cover short positions. ''People say, 'I don't what's going to happen''' and acquire the U.S. unit, he explained.

If war breaks out, Brett said, the dollar would enjoy a day-long surge, but then plummet as investors sought safer havens.

The dollar moved up in Frankfurt, to 1.5273 German marks vs. 1.5255 Tuesday, but fell in Zurich, to 1.2755 Swiss francs against 1.2760.

Analysts were predicting the dollar would drop below the level of 1.50 German marks, and might go as low as 1.40 deutsche marks.

In London, the pound eased to $1.9695 against $1.9720. Dealers expected the pound to challenge the pyschological mark of $2.00.

The dollar also fell in Paris and Milan, to 5.1170 French francs vs. 5.1185, and 1,145.40 Italian lire vs. 1,146.45. In Brussels, it gained to close at 31.43 Belgian francs compared with 31.38.

Foreign exchange markets closed in Tokyo Wednesday for Sports Day, a national holiday. The Tokyo market's dollar-yen closing price Tuesday was 129.95 yen. Trading was scheduled to resume Thursday.

Gold closed sharply lower in Zurich at $390.50 an ounce vs. $396.50. It also fell off in London, to $391.25 an ounce vs. $395.

Renewed tension in the Gulf after Israeli troops killed 21 Palestinians sent gold prices soaring Tuesday, but hopes of a $400 ounce faded.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $389 an ounce, down from $390.50 Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $388.10 an ounce, down from $389.70.

Silver closed lower in Zurich at $4.50 an ounce vs. $4.70, and also was lower in London at $4.54 an ounce vs. $4.68.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.44 an ounce, down from $4.615. Comex silver closed at $4.409 an ounce, off from $4.593.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Stocks closed sharply lower Wednesday, with the Dow industrials at a new 52-week low, after a late plunge sparked by an unexpected rise in interest rates at the Treasury Department's note auction.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which sank 78.22 Tuesday, tumbled 37.62 to close at 2407.92 - its lowest level since May 1989. The previous 52-week low was 2427.48, reached on Sept. 27.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 2.44 to 164.97, settling at its lowest point since March 1989, and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index lost 4.71 to 300.39, a new low for the year. The price of an average share slumped 43 cents.

Declines pounded advances 1,207-353 among the 1,982 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 167,890,000 shares, up from 145, 610,000 traded Tuesday.

At the Treasury Department's auction of 7-year notes Wednesday afternoon, yields rose to an average of 8.76 percent, the highest since 9.39 percent April 12, 1989.

Analysts had expected that a rate of 8.75 percent, in a worst case scenario, would be sufficient to attract investors and said the unexpectedly high yield showed a lack of enthusiasm for the medium- and long-term government securities and indicated pessimism about short-term interest rates heading lower anytime soon.

Robert Dederick, chief economist at Northern Trust in Chicago, said the stock market reacted violently in the final hour to the poor demand for the government's latest note offering.

''It was a poor showing,'' Dederick said. ''It was generally a bad scene and the market reacted accordingly. I would think there was a close connection between the two.''

Other analysts agreed. ''The seven-year note auction didn't go well,'' said Sid Dorr, vice president of institutional trading at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco. ''The yield was the highest since April of '89. They were looking for better.''

Peter Vandenberg, vice president of equity trading at Lehman Brothers, called the bad news about interest rates ''a concrete negative.''

Before the late drop, computer-driven buy programs had pushed stocks higher at midday as a rumor circulated that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had been shot. The rumor was quickly squelched by U.S. officials in Washington and stocks lost their gains.

Oil prices swung wildly, plunging on the Hussein rumor and never recovering, which analysts said should have been supportive for the market. But gloom about the prospects for interest rates dominated, they said.

On the trading floor, two retailers paced the actives. Wal-Mart Stores was the most active issue, down 1 to 25 1/8, as the whole retail sector weakened amid fears about what Thursday's monthly sales reports may show.

Toys ''R'' Us followed, falling 1 3/4 to 20 3/4 after a Lehman Brothers analyst reportedly made negative comments about the company's short-term outlook. Waste Management was third, down 7/8 to 30.

Oil issues tumbled on the plunge in oil prices. Exxon lost 1 to 48 3/4, Texaco fell 1 1/8 to 59 7/8 and Chevron slid 1 1/2 to 70 3/4. All are components of the Dow industrials.

Among other blue-chip issues, AT&T fell 7/8 to 31 1/8, IBM lost 1 7/8 to 103 1/2, General Electric slid 7/8 to 52 and Sears fell 7/8 to 23 3/8. But General Motors managed a gain, up 5/8 to 36 1/4.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 202,735,650 shares, compared with 175,997,170 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices closed sharply lower in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index skidded 3.79 to close at 299.26. Declines led advances 393-141 among the 760 issues traded. The price of an average share lost 12 cents. Composite volume totaled 12,986,600 shares vs. 13,543,900 traded Tuesday.

B.A.T Industries led the Amex issues, off 5/16 to 10 3/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index sank 5.86 to close at 333.25 after having hit its lowest level since January 1988 on Tuesday.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Affliated Fund 8.80 9.44

Anchor Fund Inv	13.77	14.61
Delaware Mutual	16.11	17.28
Fidelity Fund	15.62	15.62
Investors Mutual	10.32	10.86
Investors Stocks	17.15	18.05
Investors Select	8.21	8.65
IDS Equity Plus	8.37	8.81
Mass Inv Growth	7.43	8.01
Nicholas Fund	3.18	3.18

United Accumulated	5.89	6.44
United Income	15.56	17.01
Vanguard Wellington	15.34	15.34

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ANCHORAGE, AK (OCT. 10) UPI - Scientists have discovered the remains of a horned dinosaur and an armored dinosaur at two widely-separated locations in Alaska, a researcher reported Wednesday to the 1990 Arctic Science Conference.

''We have a very exciting group of finds this year on the North Slope,'' said Roland Gangloff, paleontologist and curator of earth sciences at the University of Alaska Fairbanks museum.

''But even more interesting, in my point of view, is a find in the Talkeetna Mountains of a different type of dinosaur than we've found so far on the North Slope or anywhere else in the arctic and this is a form of an armored dinosaur called ankyklosaur,'' Gangloff said.

The discovery in the Talkeetna Mountains, about 125 miles northeast of Anchorage, was accidental but represented the first ankylosaur found so far north, he noted.

The find on North Slope, the gently sloping terrain between the Brooks Range and the Arctic coast, was made by scientists concentrating on a site along the Colville River, 98 miles southwest of the Prudhoe Bay oil fields, near a known fossil bed.

Both discoveries were made over the summer but were not reported until the 41st Arctic Science Conference, organized by the Arctic Division of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

For years, wilderness guides had noticed a strange rock outcropping in the rugged Talkeetna Mountains. The odd-looking rocks broke off and tumbled down this year, were collected by hunting guides and turned over to the university museum in Fairbanks where scientists concluded that they had an ankylosaur skull, Gangloff said.

A portion of the snout and the back of the skull were missing, but enough remained to identify the creature as belonging to the nodosauridae family of ankylosaur, Gangloff said.

Until the chance find, no ankylosaur had been found farther north than southern Alberta, Canada, Gangloff said. But he said the lone discovery may lead to new scientific exploration of the mountain range north of Anchorage.

The middle Colville River has been known as a rich source of dinosaur remains

since 1984 when scientists identified the bones of a hadrosaur, a duck-billed dinosaur, found in what has become known as the Liscomb bed.

But over the summer, water levels of the river dropped to unusually low levels and scientists took advantage of the opportunity to explore new grounds a quarter-mile downstream.

''This revealed a massive accumulation of bones ... which may be an extension of the well-known Liscomb bone bed or may be slightly younger, '' Gangloff said. He said the site yielded what appears to be ''a rich concentration of horned dinosaur remains.''

Scientists speculate that the bone pieces may belong to a pachyrhinosaurus, which Gangloff described as ''a very thick-nosed, thick-headed form, quite ugly,'' or to a horned dinosaur of the ceratops family, or even another ankylosaur.

''We haven't really had a chance to collect anything to any great degree'' from the new Colville River site, Gangloff said. He said researchers have only two weeks each summer to explore the rich Colville fossil beds because when winter snows finally melt, there is only a brief period when scientists may work in the area without disturbing nesting sites of the endangered peregrine falcon.

But in eight weeks of work - two weeks each summer over the last four years - at the Colville bone beds, scientists have collected over 1,000 bones, which Gangloff characterized as ''an extraordinary accumulation of material in such a short period of time.''

Gangloff said the middle reaches of the Colville River have proven to be ''one of the richest areas anywhere in the world and certainly the richest found anywhere in the arctic of North America.''

He said evidence of several other dinosaurs also has turned up in ''the teeth of a number of meat-eaters, including the tyranosaurid, a small form of tyranosaurus rex.''

The concentration of bones along the Colville River, now from two sites or one expanded site, suggests that ''these animals were probably killed in mass kills,'' Gangloff said, possibly by flooding.

He said the discoveries may contribute to the study of whether dinosaurs migrated, either seasonally or over a long term. Alaska was substantially milder 70 million years ago, the estimated age of the sediments, but temperatures still may have reached freezing, Gangloff said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI - The Commerce Department said Wednesday four companies have been selected for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award for 1990.

The winners are:

- The Cadillac Motor Car Division of General Motors Corp., Detroit.

- International Business Machines division, Rochester, Minn.

- Federal Express Corp., Memphis.

- Wallace Co., Inc., a private Houston petrochemical firm.

The coveted award, named for the late Reagan administration commerce secretary recognizes American companies that practice and promote quality and share successful quality management strategies with others.

Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher, saying top-notch exports are the key to the nation's business future, called quality ''the one thing we can do in this country to assure our continued economic prosperity.''

''If we can keep up our exports it'll keep us out of any real recession,'' Mosbacher said in an interview. ''The No. 1 way you build your exports is building quality products. It sounds simple as hell, but that's the way it is.''

The award judges, including business school faculty and retired corporate executives, checked 97 competing companies on customer satisfaction, planning, quality assurance, leadership and other points.

The selection of Federal Express marks the first time a services- sector company has earned the award. Cadillac and IBM were cited for achievements in manufacturing. Wallace was cited for achievements as a small business.

In 1989, Milliken & Co., and Xerox Business Products and Systems were named winners. In 1988, the first year the competition was held, Motorola Inc., The commercial nuclear fuel division of the Westinghouse Electric Corp., and Globe Metallurgical Inc., claimed the award.

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BURBANK, Calif. (OCT. 10) UPI - Lorimar Telepictures, the largest producer of prime-time network programming, said Wednesday it named Leslie Moonves as its president, one day after David Salzman left the post to form his own entertainment company.

Moonves, who had been exectutive vice president of creative affairs, has acted as Salzman's chief aide during the past four years. During that time, Lorimar has been the leading prime-time network television supplier.

Lorimar, a unit of Time Warner's Warner Bros. Inc., currently supplies the three networks and Fox Broadcasting Co. a total of 11 series with eight hours of programming.

Warner Bros. TV supplies six shows with four and a half hours of prime-time programs, giving the two production companies more than a 20 percent share of the 60 hours of entertainment series regularly programmed by the three networsk and Fox.

Moonves has overseen the development anbd production of such series as ''Knots Landing,'' ''Dallas,'' ''Midnight Caller,'' ''Full House,'' ''Perfect Strangers'' and ''The Hogan Family.'' He also supervised four new shows on the network fall schedules: ''DEA,'' ''Gabriel's Fire,'' ''The Family Man'' and ''Going Places.''

Moonves joined Lorimar in 1986 after working for Twentieth Century Fox, Saul Ilson Productions and Catalina Productions.

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 10) UPI - Non-aligned countries and the U.N. Security Council permanent members discussed a compromise resolution Wednesday that would condemn this week's violence in the Old City in Jerusalem and order an investigation of the incidents that led to the death of 21 Palestinians.

Diplomats said non-aligned delegates agreed in the afternoon to discuss a text proposed by the president of the Security Council, British Ambassador David Hannay.

Hannay's version was based on a resolution proposed by the United States, which sought to condemn the violence in Jerusalem. Hannay, trying to meet demands by the non-aligned, changed the text by removing references that appeared to defend Israel in the killings.

Diplomats declined to say when they would reach final agreement on a resolution.

If the Security Council voted to condemn Israel, it would mark the first time since 1982 that the United States did not use its veto to defend an ally. In June 1982, the United States joined other council members to condemn Israel's invasion of Lebanon.

The U.S. text contended that the Israeli forces were ''ill-prepared'' for the sudden events at the Temple Mount's Western Wall Monday, when thousands of Jewish worshipers celebrated the Feast of the Tabernacle and were attacked by rock-throwing Palestinians.

The new phrasing in the British text said, ''Israeli security forces responded excessively, and with deadly force, thus resulting in the tragic consequences.'' The text ''condemns the violence and particularly the excessive Israeli response.''

Both the United States and non-aligned nations have advanced each a resolution since Monday. Both condemned the killing, but differed in who should investigate the incidents. Washington wanted Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to send an envoy while the non-aligned, backed by the PLO and Arab states, wanted a three-member Security Council team, which would give an official report on the violence.

Israeli authorities said rock-throwing Palestinian demonstrators attacked Jewish worshipers forcing an intervention by Jerusalem police. More than 150 Palestinians and Israelis were also wounded.

The non-aligned rejected the U.S. resolution because it shields Israel although it condemns the killing. In return Washington threatened to veto the non-aligned document for calling Israel the occupying power in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Diplomats negotiated without success Tuesday night to find a common ground. Hannay then proposed his version based on the American text and the non-aligned accepted to discuss it Wednesday, diplomats said.

U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Thomas Pickering told reporters Wednesday afternoon that he preferred not to use the veto in order to keep the unity in the council, which worked unanimously against the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The possible condemnation of Israel by the Security Council prompted Jewish organizations to protest.

Seymour Reich, president of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, issued a statement expressing ''deep dismay'' that Washington would condemn Isreal.

''The proposed U.N. resolution is harsh in its condemnation of Israel and hypocritical in ignoring the perpetrators of the events,'' Reich said.

Reich said the U.S.-supported condemnation may satisfy the Western- Arab coalition against Iraq, but it would be ''far outweighed by the long-range perils that would follow this U.N. resolution.''

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(OCT. 10) UPI - ALCS BOX SCORE

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Burks cf	4	1	1	0	RHendrsn lf	3	0	1	0
Reed 2b	4	0	1	1	DHendrsn cf	4	0	0	0
Boggs 3b	4	0	2	0	Canseco rf	3	0	0	0
Greenwell lf	4	0	0	0	Jennings rf	1	0	0	0
Pena c	3	0	0	0	Baines dh	3	0	1	0
Evans dh	3	0	0	0	McGee pr	0	0	0	0
Brunnsky rf	3	0	0	0	Hassey ph	0	0	0	0
Quintana 1b	2	0	0	0	Blnknshp pr	0	0	0	0
Rivera ss	3	0	0	0	Lansford 3b	3	1	1	0
					Steinbach c	3	0	2	0
					McGwire 1b	2	1	0	1
					Randolph 2b	2	1	0	0
					Gallego ss	3	0	1	2
Totals	30	1	4	1	Totals	27	3	6	3

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Oakland	030	000	00x- 3

E-Greenwell. DP-Boston 2, Oakland 1. LOB-Boston 3, Oakland 5. 2B-Gallego, Burks. SB-R.Henderson (2), Blankenship (1). S-Lansford.

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Boston						
Clemns (L 0-1)	1 2-3	3	3	3	1	0
Bolton	2 2-3	2	0	0	2	3
Gray	2 2-3	1	0	0	0	2
Andersen	1	0	0	0	1	2
Oakland						
Stewart (W 2-0)	8	4	1	1	1	1
Honeycutt (S 1)	1	0	0	0	0	0

Stewart pitched to 2 batters in 9th.
Umpires-Home, Cooney; 1b, Voltaggio; 2b, McCoy; 3b, Garcia; lf, Hirschbeck; rf, Evans.
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#90283u1899 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 10) UPI - The California Supreme Court Wednesday refused to consider a request to reduce the $5 million bail for jailed financier Charles H. Keating Jr.

Only two of the court's seven justices indicated they would vote to consider a reduction in Keating's bail. It takes four votes to grant bail reduction.

Keating was jailed last month after Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Gary Klausner imposed the $5 million bail on a 42-count indictment charging Keating and three business associates used fraud and deceit in the sale of allegedly unsecured bonds, commonly known as ''junk bonds,'' to Lincoln Savings and Loan customers.

Indicted by a grand jury Sept. 18, he has pleaded not guilty to the charges.

Keating is the alleged architect of the costliest savings and loan failure in U.S. history. He allegedly sold bonds in American Continental Corp., the Keating-controlled parent company of Lincoln Savings.

Keating, 66, and the three associates are accused of making false and misleading statements in connection with the sale of bonds that were high risk and ultimately turned out to be worthless.

Keating has been described as the quintessential wheeler-dealer in the thrift bailout scandal. The land developer admits using Lincoln Savings assets to invest millions of dollars in real estate and building projects in Texas, Arizona and Florida.

In addition, he donated hundreds of thousands of dollars to officeholders, including Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif.

The cost to taxpayers of the Lincoln Savings collapse is estimated at $2 billion.

Lincoln was seized by regulators in April 1989, a day after American Continental filed a bankruptcy petition to protect itself from creditors.

Keating's three co-defendants are: Judy Wischer, 42, former president of American Continental, and Ray C. Fidel, 32, and Robin Symes, 37, both former presidents of Lincoln.

Justices Edward Panelli and Stanley Mosk indicated they would vote to hear Keating's request for a reduction in bail.

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ANDOVER, Mass. (OCT. 10) UPI - Unable to get prompt regulatory approval,

Andover Bancorp Inc. and First Essex Bancorp Inc. said Wednesday they backed out of an 8-month-old ''definitive'' agreement to merge into a $1.3 billion banking company in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

They blamed the mutual decision on recent deterioration in the region's economy, the faltering real estate market and changes in the ''regulatory environment'' for banks.

Leonard A. Wilson, president and chief executive officer of Essex, said the companies had not consummated their merger because they had been awaiting regulatory approval, which had not yet been granted. He also said no date had been set for the stockholders' meetings that would have been necessary before the deal closed.

In a joint statement, the companies said ''the uncertainties inherent in the current climate make it impossible to be sure that the anticipated benefits of the proposed merger would be achieved.''

They also acknowledged that both companies have had to increase their loan loss reserves.

Andover Bancorp, with $694 million in assets, is the parent of Andover Savings Bank. The bank has eight offices in northeastern Massachusetts.

First Essex, based in Lawrence, has $599 million in assets and owns First Essex Savings Bank in Lawrence and First Essex Savings Bank of New Hampshire in Wingham, N.H. It has 10 offices in the two states.

The merger deal, signed Feb. 12, had called for Andover Bancorp stockholders to retain their shares in the company, which would change its name to Andover-Essex Bancorp. First Essex shareholders would have turned in their shares for 0.526 shares of the Andover-Essex stock.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	335.25	off	5.86	351.45	482.16
Industrial	352.93	off	6.19	373.85	468.20
Finance	333.01	off	5.23	348.47	563.79
Insurance	388.77	off	3.35	413.21	548.55
Utility	467.57	off	10.19	486.04	785.21
Bank	247.44	off	3.09	253.87	475.71
Transport	370.53	off	10.21	394.51	481.32
Composite	1990 High 469.60				

1990 Low 333.25
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 145.77 off 2.60
Industrial Index 139.29 off 2.47
NASDAQ-100 Index 338.93 off 8.32

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	339.08	332.87	333.25	off 5.86
Industrial	358.09	352.37	352.93	off 6.19
Finance	337.82	332.47	333.01	off 5.23
Insurance	392.72	386.58	388.77	off 3.35
Utility	476.92	467.27	467.57	off 10.19
Bank	250.03	246.43	247.44	off 3.09
Transport	380.40	368.20	370.53	off 10.21

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-10) 333.25
NASDAQ National Market System indexes
(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)
Composite Index 145.77 off 2.60
Industrial Index 139.29 off 2.47
NASDAQ-100 Index 338.93 off 8.32
(largest non-fin'cl)
Average price per share 7.56 off 0.14
Volume 93,636,504 shares
Advances 489
Declines 1,050
Unchanged 1,255
Total 2,794

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DETROIT, Mich. (OCT. 10) UPI - A federal jury in Detroit has found one of the nation's leading computer manufacturers liable for violating antitrust laws in a judgment that could approach $30 million, attorneys said Wednesday.

The jury, after a month-long trial before U.S. District Judge Horace Gilmore, awarded a verdict of $8,453,000 against Prime Computer Inc. of Natick, Mass. Jurors held Tuesday that Prime's practice of tying customers' needed software

revisions to hardware maintenance contracts violates federal antitrust laws.

The verdict was expected to be appealed.

Rodger Young, one of the attorneys for plaintiff Virtual Maintenance Inc., said the judgment was expected to be trebled, which with interest and attorney fees, could come close to $30,000.

''This case is significant because the issue of tying computer software revision with hardware maintenance at the expense of free and open competition is being litigated for the first time in this context,'' Young said.

''A decision on the questions will have a major business impact, since most computer manufacturer's profits come from software revisions and hardware maintenance rather than the low-profit margins derived from the sale of hardware alone,'' he said.

Prime Computer is the world's second-largest supplier of computer- aided design and computer-aided manufacture, or CAD-CAM, after IBM, Young said.

''In the automotive industry alone, this verdict will be critical to the numerous CAD/CAM design firms which supply the major auto manufacturers,'' Young said.

Prime Computer had contended the contractural agreements are a business necessity.

Virtual Maintenance sought an injunction barring Prime Computer from enforcing numerous customer contracts tying software revision and hardware maintenance, as well as money damages.

Jamal Hamood, another of the Virtual Maintenance attorneys, said ''the judge took that portion under advisement. He said he would wait five days, and if there are no objections, he would sign it.''

Hamood said the verdict almost certainly would be appealed by the firm of Honigman, Miller, Schwartz & Cohn of Detroit, representing Prime Computer.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI - In a big step forward for the clean air bill, House and Senate negotiators reached tentative agreement Wednesday on provisions requiring reduced smog-causing emissions from cars and sale of low-polluting ''reformulated'' gasoline in polluted cities.

The deal on motor vehicle emissions - achieved after marathon staff negotiations - resolved some of the toughest issues blocking final

congressional action on the clean air legislation.

However, with Congress expected to adjourn for the year within two weeks, the clean air negotiators still must work out substantial disagreements over sections requiring cutbacks in acid rain pollution from power plants and toxic air emissions from industry.

Even if the negotiators act quickly, their final product still must be approved by the House and the Senate. And while House passage appears assured, there have been rumblings that Republican senators - unhappy with the cost of the bill - might stage a filibuster to block action and kill the measure.

The time crunch was underscored by House Speaker Thomas Foley, D- Wash., and Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine in a meeting Wednesday with leaders of the House-Senate conference committee on the clean air bill.

Foley and Mitchell asked that all remaining disputes be settled by Sunday, seemingly a tall order given the so far snail-like pace of the conference committee, which has been meeting since July.

Worse, tensions between House and Senate negotiators appear to have thickened in recent weeks, with two sides trading angry words at their last meeting.

On the bright side, the tentative agreement on motor vehicle emissions is a major step forward, largely because it is the area of prime concern to Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., leader of the House clean air conferees and the powerful chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee.

The negotiations over car emissions were especially difficult because Dingell was determined to protect his home-state automakers from any requirements he considered excessively costly.

''We've all lost a fair amount of sleep over this (section), and I suspect that industry is going to lose some sleep trying to comply with what are some very stringent provisions,'' Dingell said of the agreement on car emissions.

''Nevertheless, we have resolved these issues in a way that makes economic and environmental sense and I think everyone is relieved to have this portion of the legislation behind use.

The oil industry, another powerful force on Capitol Hill, also was greatly concerned by the bill's alternative fuels provisions.

The key parts of the agreement on motor vehicles would:

-Give the Environmental Protection Agency discretion over how far to push requirements for reductions in smog-causing automobile tailpipe emissions after the year 2000. House and Senate negotiators agreed on a first round of

cuts in the mid-1990s, but the Senate initially wanted to require additional post-2000 cuts if the nation's smog problem had not appreciably improved.

-Require the sale of cleaner-burning ''reformulated'' gasoline starting in 1992 in cities with excessive carbon monoxide pollution. The gasoline would contain ethanol additives known to reduce carbon monoxide emissions. Reformulated gas would be required in the nation's nine smoggiest cities by 1995. That gasoline must reduce smog-forming emissions by 15 percent initially and then 20 percent by the year 2000.

-Allow states to adopt California's program for requiring sale of thousands of low-polluting cars and the use of such vehicles by companies with large commercial fleets.

Environmentalists gave a lukewarm reception to the agreement on motor vehicles saying it would help clean up urban smog, but none too soon. They complained that negotiators pushed back compliance dates for cleaner cars and fuels until the late 1990s.

''The auto and oil companies will have to make far fewer pollution reductionsin the 1990s than they are capable of making,'' said Daniel Weiss, lobbyist for the Sierra Club.

William Fay, head of the Clean Air Working Group, the main industry coalition, said the car agreement was less onerous on the auto and oil industry than previous versions.

But he said oil companies had concerns over whether they could change refinery operations quickly enough to produce the required amount of reformulated gasoline.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 10) UPI - A federal judge Wednesday found three former Sundstrand Corp. executives not guilty of making false statments to the government about fraudulent defense contracting policies, saying prosecutors failed to prove the charge.

Senior U.S. District Judge Prentice Marshall also dismissed portions of remaining conspiracy counts that accused the defendants of conspiring to defraud the government and the Defense Department.

But he reserved judgment on charges Joseph McCarthy, 54, and Ralph Hamann, 64, both of Rockford, and Ray J. Chapel Jr., 47, of Reston, Va., conspired to disguise millions of dollars in cost overruns on defense contracts as overhead expenses payable by the government.

Marshall issued a directed verdict acquitting the defendants on the charge of making false statments. The ruling came after the prosecution rested its case.

Marshall, presiding at the bench trial, heard a month of testimony from government witnesses. He ruled that prosecutors failed to prove the defendants lied to the Defense Department about contract fraud.

The defense offered no evidence and called no witnesses.

Marshall also seid the government failed to show intent required to substantiate the sections of the counts alleging the defendants knowingly conspired to defraud the government and the defense department out of money and design rights.

He said he would issue a verdict next week on the remaining conspiracy counts - related to an alleged coverup of contracting practices under which Sundstrand surreptitiously billed the government for cost overuns on government contracts,

Sundstrand pleaded guilty to five counts of a federal indictment for defense fraud in October 1988 and agreed to pay $115 million in penalties and reparation - the biggest recovery an any defense fraud case.

It also agreed to pay the Defense Department another $62.3 million in settlement of administrative matters related to its past contracting practices.

The company was suspended as a government contractor following the guilty plea but was reinstated in January 1989 after agreeing to revise its contracting procedures and make reparations.

Sundstrand, a Fortune 500 company, has 15,000 employees worldwide, including 4,000 in Rockford. It manufactures electronic, mechanical and hydraulic systems for the government and diversified aerospace and industrial markets.

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#90283u1966 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

RALEIGH, N.C. (OCT. 10) UPI - President Bush stuck to his vow not to hold grudges against breakaway Republicans Wednesday by campaigning for Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., ''a champion of conviction,'' who last week helped kill a Bush-backed budget deal.

Speaking at a breakfast fund-raiser, the first of three stops for the day, Bush described the three-term conservative senator as an effective leader and ''a watchdog of taxpayer money.''

And in a direct reference to their dispute over the budget, Bush noted, ''Occasionally, of course, there are going to be differences.''

Making good on his promise to campaign for Republicans regardless of their stand on the budget, Bush touted his plans for the package as he traveled to St. Petersburg, Fla., to campaign for Gov. Bob Martinez, and then on to address a dinner in Atlanta for GOP gubernatorial nominee Johnny Isakson.

Martinez is being challenged by former Democratic Sen. Lawton Chiles. Isakson is far behind in a bid to defeat Lt. Gov. Zell Miller and become Georgia's first GOP governor in 122 years.

Helms, who is in a razor-close race with Democrat Harvey Gantt, broke from Bush last week in opposing the bipartisan budget agreement that called for a hefty increase in taxes and a big cut in federal services.

A poll released Tuesday showed Gantt, a former two-term mayor of Charlotte, N.C., leading Helms 43.5 percent to 42.7 percent, with 9 percent undecided.

The president noted that reporters had challenged him on the senator's defection on the budget plan. ''That is not the point,'' Bush said. ''I tell them if we had more senators like him,'' these deficit problems ''would have been settled years ago.''

Bush also sought to smooth the latest flap in the budget crisis by remaining mum on whether he might consider raising tax rates for the richest Americans in return for a cut in the capital gains tax.

''Publically we're not taking a position on any specific item,'' said press secretary Marlin Fitzwater, accompanying the president.

Arriving in St. Petersburg, Fla., Bush refused to clear up the tax question, saying, ''Let Congress clear it up.''

But, in his speech on behalf of Martinez, Bush predicted an acceptable budget can be hammered out by Oct. 19, the day stopgap funding expires.

''I'm confident Congress can complete its vital work and pass a sound budget that puts this nation on the path to long-term economic growth,'' he told several hundred Martinez supporters at a seaside rally.

In Atlanta, Fitzwater said Bush would meet with key congressional Republicans Thursday at the White House where he said the president will primarily listen to what the lawmakers have to say.

Asked if Bush would take a definitive stance on the divisive combination of tax rates and capital gains at the meetings with GOP House committee members, Fitzwater said, ''I don't think he will reflect on that one way or the other.''

Throughout the day, Bush pressed the message that ''this budget package was

not the one I would have written alone.''

At the breakfast fund-raiser, he added, ''And it's not the one Jesse would have written either. But as president I don't control Congress and we had to compromise because the future of the country is at stake.''

And to Helms, he held out his hand. ''Jesse has earned a reputation for independence and candor. And occasionally we do not see eye to eye,'' said Bush. ''Sometimes honest men do disagree.''

The president was accompanied on the campaign swing by a number of Republican lawmakers, but conspicuous by his absence was Rep. Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., the House Republican whip who helped lead last week's GOP revolt against the budget package.

A spokesman for Gingrich said the congressman planned to remain at work on Capitol Hill to try to obtain a congressional override of Bush's veto of a bill that would limit textile imports.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - President Bush says he's confident Congress will hammer out an acceptable budget agreement by October 19th, the day an emergency government spending bill expires. Bush is on the road today, campaigning for Republican candidates in Raleigh, North Carolina, St. Petersburg, Florida, and Atlanta, Georgia.

The Supreme Court heard oral arguments today in a case pitting a woman's right to work against a company's attempt to protect unborn children from exposure to hazardous substances in the work place. Johnson Controls of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, barred women from jobs having a high exposure to lead.

Israel today named three independent investigators to probe Monday's slayings of 21 Palestinians by police on Jerusalem's Temple Mount. Prime Minister Shamir began the investigation at the request of Israel's police minister. Arabs deny the rioting was organized.

The shuttle Discovery crew boarded a NASA jet for Houston today, hours after completing a four-day mission with flawless landing at Edwards Air Force Base in California. Officials hope the flight ends NASA's recent run of bad luck. The shuttle Atlantis is to be moved back to its launch pad tomorrow.

A man doused two women abortion clinic employees with sulfuric acid in New York City last night. Police say one of the woman was splashed in the face and eyes and is listed in guarded condition at a hospital.

A German defense official says the Soviet Union has agreed to cut back on

military maneuvers in former East Germany territory and withdraw its 380-thousand troops from the country within four years.

The South African government today freed 21 political prisoners. It's the largest mass release of convicted members of the African National Congress since a 30-year ban on the movement was lifted by the de Klerk government in February.

Education Secretary Cavazos told a Senate panel today that he needs more authority to stem fraud and abuse in the guaranteed student loan program. At the end of the 1990 fiscal year, borrowers owed eight-BILLION dollars in defaulted loans.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 10) UPI - Mike Lynn, executive vice president and general manager of the Minnesota Vikings, was named Wednesday president of the World League of American Football.

Dan Rooney, chairman of the board of the league, said Lynn will replace TexSchramm. The former Dallas Cowboys GM will remain as a consultant for the World League, which begins play in the spring of 1991, with teams based in Europe and North America.

''Mike has long been a proponent of pro football's international expansion and strongly believes in the future of American football overseas,'' NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue said.

''Tex Schramm has made countless contributions to football over the last 30 years and has been one of the outstanding innovators in all sports,'' he said.

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KANEOHE MARINE CORPS AIR STATION, Hawaii (OCT. 10) UPI - A Marine who refused to board a plane for Saudi Arabia faces a court-martial even though a military official said Wednesday that significant issues have clouded the legality of the orders he is accused of having disobeyed.

Maj. James Axelrod recommended a military trial after presiding over an investigative hearing last month for Cpl. Jeff Paterson, who is seeking conscientious objector status rather than fight for ''imperialistic economic interests.''

Paterson, 22, assigned to F Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Brigade at Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station, refused to board a plane at Hickam Air Force Base as his unit was deployed to Saudi Arabia Aug. 29. When his sergeant tried

to push him aboard, he sat down in the hangar.

He spent three weeks in the brig before a federal judge ordered his release and is now confined to the base in Kaneohe.

Marine spokesman Capt. Leonard Ryan said the court-martial has not been scheduled but could start as early as Monday. Paterson's attorney Eric Seitz, said he will seek a delay because he is handling an upcoming murder trial.

Paterson faces trial on one count of missing movement, two counts of disobeying a lawful command, and two of unauthorized absence.

If convicted of all charges, he would face up to five years and one month in prison, reduction to private, forfeiture of all pay and benefits, and a dishonorable discharge, Ryan said.

Seitz, however, predicted that military authorities would lose the court-martial and Paterson would be discharged either by them or by a federal court - and he said the case will prove ''embarrassing'' to the Marine Corps.

''The orders they gave to him were illegal,'' Seitz said. ''They were not supposed to assign him to duties that might conflict with his conscience and they weren't supposed to send him anywhere he couldn't talk to his lawyer and complete his conscientious objector application.''

Seitz also said authorities acted ''subjectively'' because ''they hated what he was saying and what he stood for, and they weren't handling the situation with any intelligence or maturity.''

Axelrod, although he recommended a court-martial, wrote that ''significant issues'' must be resolved during trial, since some evidence raises the question of the legality of the orders Paterson was given.

One of the issues is whether reasonable efforts were made to assign Paterson to duties that conflicted as little as possible with his beliefs.

The Marine was to be assigned as a supply clerk for his artillery unit, but Axelrod said that would have ''inexorably'' required him to support the unit's mission in Saudi Arabia, peaceful or hostile.

Axelrod also wrote that Paterson suffered some unnecessary ridicule, such as removal of the corporal insignia of his clothing on the grounds that he no longer deserved to wear the Marine uniform.

Paterson, a native of Hollister, Calif., held a news conference Aug. 16 to announce that he had no political opinions when he joined the Marines four years ago but now opposes U.S. policy in the Third World. He said he would not be ''a pawn in America's power plays for profits and oil in the Middle East.''

The Marine Corps commandant in Washington is considering Paterson's request for conscientious objector status, which Marine investigator Maj. Steven Arbogast has recommended be denied.

Arbogast said investigators believe Paterson's position is sincere but questioned its depth, saying he ''has read a few books, talked with some people ... and now burns with the zeal of the convert.''

The Los Angeles Times published an essay written by Paterson on Tuesday. In it he said his attitude changed after service in Okinawa, South Korea and the Philippines and when he returned to Hawaii he joined various peace and environmental groups.

He said choosing to seek conscientious objector status was a difficult decision, but he felt ''that tens of thousands of lives were being threatened for imperialistic, economic interests,'' and questioned why ''200,000 U.S. troops (are considered) expendable to secure less than 5 percent of this nation's oil supply.

''The truth does not set us free,'' he wrote, ''but demands that we act on it as people of conscience, no matter the cost.''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 10) UPI - President Bush maintained his string of successful vetoes Wednesday when the House set aside pleas for protection from unfair foreign competition and failed to override his veto of a bill to restrict textile and shoe imports.

Supporters of the bill won a 275-152 majority, but fell 10 votes short of the thirds required to pass the bill over Bush's objections. Bush has vetoed 15 bills since becoming president and Congress has not been able to override any of them.

Supporters of the legislation argued the measure would help U.S. textile and shoe manufacturers who are losing more and more of the domestic market to foreign firms using cheap labor.

Foes branded the bill ''protectionist,'' saying it runs contrary to the U.S. open-market trade policy and invites retaliation by other nations. Opponents also said the legislation would drive up domestic prices, give unnecessary support to an already healthy industry and could hurt key U.S. allies such as Turkey and Egypt.

The textile bill would have limited foreign-made textiles and apparel to a 1 percent increase per year over the previous year's levels, and would hold shoe

imports to 1989 levels.

The bill also would have authorized a special allocation of textile quotas for countries that increase their purchases of American agricultural exports.

Bush said in his veto message the bill would ''damage the national economy, increase already artificially high costs to consumers ... and abrogate our international agreements.''

House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois said, ''In an effort to protect one industry, we'll be socking it to our farmers, our industry workers and many others who rely on exports for their livelihood.''

''Recent events in the Persian Gulf have heightened the critical importance of international cooperation,'' added Ways and Means Committee Chairman Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill.

''Yet the textile and footwear quota bill ... would violate 40 different trade agreements and super-impose a unilateralist policy to protect two industries so critically important to the international trading system.''

Rep. Howard Coble, R-N.C., said the legislation would create 150,000 new American textile jobs, helping to offset the nearly 400,000 jobs lost in the industry since 1980.

''Each of us probably embraces free trade as an abstract concept,'' Coble said. ''But we are not dealing with theoretical niceties today so much as we are responding to the needs of real people with real problems.''

Rep. Jamie Whitten, D-Miss., argued for an override, saying, ''We have been suckers, in my opinion, by letting (foreign countries) have our domestic markets while they refrain from letting us have equality.''

Rep. William Gray, D-Pa., added, ''Those who are argue that imports are a boon to the American consumer are pulling the wool over your eyes. That's their right, I suppose. I just want to make sure that the wool that they pull is American wool.''

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(OCT. 10) UPI - Lawmakers huddled on Capitol Hill today, continuing efforts to put together a budget package. Talks in the House Ways and Means Committee center on what to cut and what to add to the budget mix. The goal is to slash the deficit by 500-BILLION dollars over five years. President Bush says he's confident that an acceptable budget compromise will be passed by October 19th, when the government is due to run out of money again.

President Bush followed through today on a pledge NOT to hold grudges against breakaway Republicans. He spoke at a fund-raiser for North Carolina Senator Jesse Helms in Raleigh, then traveled to St. Petersburg, Florida, to campaign for Governor Bob Martinez. Helms voted last week against a Bush-backed budget deal, but today the president lauded the lawmaker as ''a champion of conviction'' and ''a watchdog of taxpayer money.''

The Senate has rejected a proposed cut in Social Security taxes that would have reduced government income by 150-BILLION dollars. Opponents maintained the cut would virtually torpedo any budget agreement. The proposal was turned down on a 54-44 procedural vote.

The Supreme Court heard oral arguments today in a case that could become the most controversial of its current term. The court must determine whether a company has the right to exclude all women from certain jobs because of the fear they might become pregnant and their fetuses exposed to danger. Women's rights groups and labor unions claim the policy violates a section of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and other legislation.

An advertised demonstration by prostitutes in Moscow fizzled today. NO women showed up at the scheduled rally that was to center on demands for improved police protection and legalized brothels. A spokeswoman says the hookers failed to show up because they felt it was NOT time yet to demonstrate in public.

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OAKLAND, CA (OCT. 10) UPI - Dave Stewart proved to be the unshakable foundation of the Oakland Athletics pitching staff in earning the MVP award of the American League playoffs.

Stewart won two games in the ALCS, giving him a record five LCS victories. He set the tone of the series by holding the Boston Red Sox to one run and four hits in Game 1 and was a picture of calm during the turmoil in Game 4.

He held the Red Sox to two runs and eight hits in 16 innings, an ERA of 1.13.

''Dave Stewart went out and did what he has done for us all season long,'' third baseman Carney Lansford said. ''He always gives us a chance to win.''

Stewart's career LCS ERA of 1.79 is the fifth lowest of all-time. He has been the starter and winner in the deciding game of the Athletics' last three playoff championships.

''My record speaks for itself,'' said Stewart when asked if he thinks he's the best pitcher in baseball. ''I just go out and do the best I can.

''I'm not the type of guy to say that I did it all myself. I'm complimented with guys behind me who do an awful lot to help me.''

Stewart also was as outspoken Wednesday about Roger Clemens antics, which led to his ejection in the second inning, as he was Tuesday about Clemens being allowed to start with an injured shoulder.

''There is no excuse for what took place out there,'' Stewart said. ''This is a game of baseball, a game of sportsmanship. A ball's a ball, a strike's a strike.

''What it did was give me more of a reason to go out and shut them down.''

And what is Stewart - possibly the most famous pitcher in baseball today - going to be doing Thursday?

''I'm going to be under the Richmond Bridge fishing,'' he said. ''I hear the sturgeon are running.''

Hopefully the fish will have a better chance against Stewart than the Boston Red Sox did.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	4	1	0	.800	130	99	2-1	W-3
Miami	4	1	0	.800	108	73	3-0	W-2
Indianapolis	2	3	0	.400	81	108	0-2	W-2
New York Jets	2	3	0	.400	104	109	1-2	L-1
New England	1	4	0	.200	80	152	1-2	L-2

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	4	1	0	.800	137	105	0-0	W-1
Houston	2	3	0	.400	98	108	0-1	L-1
Pittsburgh	2	3	0	.400	48	85	1-1	L-3
Cleveland	1	3	0	.250	48	85	1-0	L-3

WEST

LA Raiders	4	1	0	.800	99	73	2-0	L-1
Kansas City	3	2	0	.600	117	71	0-1	L-1
Denver	2	2	0	.500	95	97	2-1	L-1
Seattle	2	3	0	.400	108	104	0-2	W-2

San Diego	1	4	0	.200	75	105	0-0	L-2

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	4	0	0	1.000	106	47	3-0	W-4
Washington	3	1	0	.750	101	51	3-0	W-2
Dallas	2	3	0	.400	70	102	0-3	W-1
Philadelphia	1	3	0	.250	91	95	0-2	L-1
Phoenix	1	3	0	.250	40	118	1-2	L-2

CENTRAL

Chicago	4	1	0	.800	104	66	3-0	W-1
Tampa Bay	3	2	0	.600	112	106	3-0	L-1
Green Bay	2	3	0	.400	76	93	1-2	L-1
Detroit	2	3	0	.400	127	126	1-3	W-1
Minnesota	1	4	0	.200	116	103	0-3	L-3

WEST

San Francisco	4	0	0	1.000	82	59	2-0	W-4
Atlanta	2	2	0	.500	102	94	1-1	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	1	3	0	.250	111	111	0-0	L-1
New Orleans	1	3	0	.250	70	80	0-2	L-1

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(OCT. 10) UPI - Congressional committees have started working on what taxes to increase and what programs to trim. The tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee met privately today to start work. The Senate Finance Committee was scheduled to meet. But the session was canceled because of confusion about whether President Bush will support higher taxes for the rich... in exchange for a capital gains tax cut.

The death count for Americans involved in Operation Desert Shield rose to 32 today when two fliers died in the crash of an F bomber. The jet went down in the southern Arabian peninsula. In Kuwait... 378 women and children... most of them Americans... are ready to leave on the first evacuation flight in more than two weeks.

In Washington, sources say there is little chance Congress will block a seven-BILLION-dollar weapons sale to Saudi Arabia.

Widespread incidents of stone-throwing are reported in Arab sections of Israel today. But Israeli police used NOthing stronger than tear gas on the demonstrators. Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir named three independent investigators to probe Monday's killings of 21 Arab demonstrators at Temple

Mount.

The astronauts who finished a successful mission aboard the shuttle Discovery just hours ago are heading home to Houston. Discovery's flawless landing marked the final chapter in a nearly perfect flight... boosting the morale of the space agency after a summer of delays and failures. Discovery's crew launched the Ulysses probe that will fly over the poles of the sun.

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#90283u2530 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 10) UPI - The budget process has in a way begun all over again in Congress. The House Ways and Means Committee met today to talk about what tax increases it will recommend. In addition, the panel will suggest the levels of cuts to be made in federal benefit programs. The meeting is the first in a series that results from the complex budget process stemming from the new federal budget.

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The committee today approved a deficit reduction plan that cuts Medicare 10-BILLION dollars less than was proposed by the bipartisan budget summit. It also would raise gasoline taxes a penny less than proposed. The plan does NOT address the trade-off between a capital gains tax cut and a hike in tax rates for the rich. That issue might be addressed in separate Democratic and Republican packages that could come to the House floor next week.

NON-aligned nations and the permanent members of the U-N Security Council discussed a compromise resolution today that would condemn Monday's Temple Mount violence in Jerusalem. Diplomats say the text is based on a proposal by the United States... but drops references that appear to defend Israel in the killings of 21 Palestinians. The compromise also orders an investigation into the incident. NO word on when a final agreement would be reached.

A suspect in the killings of five college students has been convicted- of assaulting his grandmother. 19-year-old Edward Humphrey was found guilty in Melbourne, Florida, today of beating his grandmother... even though she denies he beat her. The University of Florida freshman is a suspect in the five murders a month and a half ago in Gainesville, but has NOT been charged.

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(OCT. 10) UPI - Tropical storm watches and warnings are up in Florida. Tropical Storm Marco appears headed for the Florida Keys, Florida Bay and Florida's Gulf Coast north to Longboat Key. Governor Bob Martinez activated the state's emergency operations center today to help local governments cope with the storm. Marco formed earlier today from a low pressure system that

swallowed the remains of Tropical Storm Klaus.

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At last report, Marco was centered 95 miles south- southwest of Fort Myers, Florida... moving north at near 5 miles-an- hour.

A new study of the AIDS drug A-Z-T indicates the dose needed to be effective may NOT be nearly as large as earlier thought. Scientists at the Harborview Medical Center in Seattle gave 28 patients with AIDS- related complex one-fifth of the previously recommended dose. The patients improved just as much as patients who get larger doses... and had fewer side-effects.

A Greenpeace ship is being towed away from a Soviet nuclear test site in the Arctic Circle. The Soviets say they are towing the ship... the M- V Greenpeace... to Murmansk, but WON'T say if they will charge the crew with violating the Soviet border. A Greenpeace representative in Moscow says the crew of 28 has been incommunicado since the Soviets commandeered the ship Monday.

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#90283u2757 10/10/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 10) UPI - President Bush sought to smooth the latest flap in the budget crisis by keeping quiet on the tax question today. But in a speech in St. Petersburg, Florida, Bush predicted an acceptable budget can be worked out by October 19th... the day stopgap funding expires. .

In Washington, the House Ways and Means Committee approved a deficit reduction plan that would cut Medicare 10-BILLION dollars less than was proposed in a budget agreement killed by the full House last week.

Also on Capitol Hill today...

House and Senate negotiators reached tentative agreement on provisions that would reduce smog-causing emissions from cars. It's a big step forward for the clean air bill. But other disagreements are blocking final congressional action on the legislation.

President Bush maintained his string of successful vetoes today when the House failed to override his veto of a bill to restrict textile and shoe imports. Supporters of the measure had said it would protect U-S makers from unfair foreign competition.

The House today approved a bill authorizing a referendum by Puerto Ricans next year to choose the future status of the island- independence, statehood or continued commonwealth status. A similar measure is stalled in the Senate. In 1967, voters chose to maintain the commonwealth status.

A compromise resolution condemning Monday's deadly violence in Jerusalem's Old City is being discussed by permanent and NON-aligned members of the U-N Security Council. Diplomats say the text also calls for an investigation of the incidents that led to the deaths of 21 Palestinians. .

In Israel, Prime Minister Shamir named three independent investigators today to probe the Temple Mount slayings. It's still NOT clear how the violence began, or why police opened fire.

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#90283u2777 10/10/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 10) UPI - Tropical storm watches and warnings are in effect from the Florida Keys northward along the gulf coast to the Panhandle... thanks to Tropical Storm Marco. The weather system that ate the remains of Tropical Storm Klaus spit out Marco this morning in the southeastern Gulf of Mexico. .

At last report, Marco was centered about 45 miles southwest of Fort Myers, Florida, and was moving northward at about 10 miles an hour. Its top winds were clocked at near 60 miles-an-hour.

Parts of the upper Midwest are getting an early taste of winter. Up to six inches of snow fell in parts of Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin today. Police say at least one person was killed in a snow-related traffic accident outside Madison, Wisconsin.

The California Supreme Court has rejected a request to cut Charles Keating's five-Million-dollar bail. The jailed former savings-and-loan official is accused of fraud in a thrift collapse that will cost taxpayers some two-BILLION dollars.

Testimony began today in Portland, Oregon, in the trial of a 10-Million-dollar civil lawsuit against white supremacist Tom Metzger. The former California Ku Klux Klan leader is charged with inciting three so- called ''skinheads'' who beat a black man to death in 1988.

The search is still on in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, for a jury to hear the obscenity trial of three members of the controversial rap group 2 Live Crew. A third day of jury selection ended today without a single juror being selected.

Hospitals and witnesses in Dhaka, Bangladesh, say at least five people were killed and 200 injured today when thousands of opposition party supporters clashed with police outside the nation's main government building.

A Canadian construction worker is hospitalized in stable condition in Toronto after surviving a 23-floor plunge yesterday. Police say Jason Watson was able to grab a safety rope for part of the way down, and that helped slow his fall.

He suffered a broken pelvis.

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#90283u2919 10/10/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 10) UPI - The first airlift of foreigners... mostly Americans... from occupied Kuwait in more than two weeks left Baghdad, Iraq, tonight en route to London. A spokeswoman at the U-S Embassy in London says 378 women and children were aboard the U-S-chartered jetliner... including 24 Britons, nine Canadians and five Austrians. Tomorrow, the Americans will be flown to Raleigh-Durham, North Carolina.

A plan to trim the federal deficit cleared the House Ways and Means Committee tonight. The plan would cut Medicare by 10-BILLION dollars less than proposed by the bipartisan budget summit. It would boost gasoline taxes a penny less than earlier proposed. The committee's plan does NOT get into whether to cut the capital gains tax or increase income tax rates on the rich.

The clean air bill received a major push forward today. House and Senate bargainers tentatively agreed on provisions requiring reductions in car emissions... and requiring the sale of low-polluting ''reformulated'' gasoline in cities. There are still major disagreements about cutbacks in acid rain pollution from power plants and cuts in toxic air emissions from factories.

The Supreme Court heard arguments in a significant case today... but the court is NOT expected to rule before next year. The case involves a woman's right to work... versus a company's attempt to protect the unborn children of its employees. A Milwakee manufacturer of lead-based batteries... which bars fertile women from certain jobs... is the defendant in the case.

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#90283u2924 10/10/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 10) UPI - A judge in Ventura, California, has ordered a former funeral home employee to stand trial in the nation's first oleander poisoning case. 33-year-old David Sconce is charged with killing a rival mortician by poisoning him with the deadly leaves of the oleander plant. If convicted, Sconce could be sentenced to death.

The debate of cloth versus disposable diapers for the sake of the environment may have ended today. Cincinnati-based Procter and Gamble says it believes it has found a use for disposable diapers once they've been used. The company says it will begin selling diapers that will break down in compost piles. The new ''compostable'' diapers could be test marketed as early as 1991.

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PLEASANTON, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Arthur H. Wilder has been named president of the newly restructured FloWind Corp. according to an announcement released Thursday by Leon E. Richartz, FloWind board chairman and chairman of Leema Energy Resources Inc., majority shareholder of the newly reorganized FloWind Corp.

Wilder, who has held financial positions with IBM, Itel, Four-Phase-Systems, and Margaux Controls is assuming leadership of the firm as it emerges from a lengthy Chapter 11 proceeding.

FloWind, headquartered in Pleasanton, is one of the country's largest producers of electricity through wind energy. Under the reorganization, Board Chairman Richartz emphasized that the firm will continue to focus on generation of alternative energy from non-polluting and renewable resources.

FloWind is the primary U.S. developer and manufacturer of vertical axis wind turbines, a technology FloWind developed in cooperation with Sandia National Laboratories and the Department of Energy.

Other newly appointed members of the company are Stephen M. Harald, vice president of finance and member of the board; Michael M. McMullen, director of information services; and Cheryl Giles in administration. Harald, McMullen and Giles were previously associated with Leema Energy Resources Inc. Dr. Lawrence A. Schienbein will continue as vice president of research and engineering.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Catalyst Semiconductor Inc. announced Thursday the introduction of the CAT27HC010, a high speed CMOS 1Megabit (128Kx8) UV erasable and electrically reprogrammable EPROM.

As any byte on this device can be accessed in less than 70ns, the CAT27HC010 is ideally suited for high speed applications, such as high-performance microprocessor systems where eliminating the need for speed-robbing wait states is critical.

The Quick Pulse algorithm reduces the time required to program this chip and ensures more reliable programming. Product highlights include:

-- Fast Access Time: 70, 90, 120ns

-- 5V Single Power Supply (Read Mode)

-- Low Current Requirements:

Active: 80mA max (CMOS Levels)

Standby: 1mA max (CMOS Levels)

-- High-Speed Programming: 100us/byte

-- TTL Compatible Input/Output

-- 12.5V Programming Voltage

-- Electronic Signature

The CAT27HC010, available in JEDEC-approved 32-pin DIP and 32-pin LCC packages is targeted for military, telecommunications, instrumentation and computer market segments.

Catalyst Semiconductor Inc., a privately held company founded in 1985, is a technology leader in CMOS nonvolatile memories and is dedicated to the development of next generation memory products and their applications. The company's innovative products include: Smart Card microcomputers, CMOS NVRAMs CMOS E2PROMs, High Speed CMOS EPROMs, CMOS SRAMs, CMOS Flash Memories and BiCMOS analog products.

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     #90284b0056 10/11/1990 ~Business Wire
MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Lawson Mardon Group has announced the purchase of the blowmoulding operation of Jeyes Ltd. in Britain.

The purchase is the third major development in the United Kingdom to be announced by the Canadian-owned packaging and printing group in less than two weeks.

Last week Lawson Mardon announced the purchase of Koters Ltd. of Liverpool, the flexible packaging company of the Associated British Foods Group, and two weeks ago, Lawson Mardon opened a new 150,000 square foot factory in York, England to specifically supply the global packaging needs of international confectionery giant, Rowntree Mackintosh.

The moves follows a string of acquisitions by Lawson Mardon which recently incorporated four pacakging companies in Germany and France into its family of more than 40 factories located in Canada, the United States, Britain and

Ireland.

Lawson Mardon is now one of the three largest packaging companies in Britain and the ninth largest in Europe.

Thursday's sale is a transfer of undertaking by Jeyes, which is located at Thetford near Cambridge, to LMG Fibrenyle -- one of Britain's leading blowmoulders. The sale includes a seven-year manufacturing agreement worth nearly $10 million annually.

Bob Scales, managing director of LMG Fibrenyle, said this agreement ''reflects a continuation of LMG Fibrenyle's policy of forging close working relationships with major companies in the UK and Continental Europe.''

He said LMG Fibrenyle is negotiating the lease of a 32,000 square foot factory adjacent to Jeyes in which it will install custom-built equipment to supply Jeyes with more than 30 different types of blowmoulded bottles for its leading line of disinfectant, bleach and liquid toilet cleaning products.

The factory is expected to be commissioned in early 1991 subject to the finalization of lease negotiations and the receipt of planning consent. Production is scheduled to commence during the first three months of 1991.

Under the terms of the sale, more than half of Jeyes own blowmoulding workforce will be employed by LMG Fibrenyle under the same employment conditions and although there will be a small number of redundancies, most of the remaining workers will be offered alternative employment within the Jeyes Group.

Management for the new plant will be drawn from Fibrenyle's existing head office at Beccles near Norwich.

Jeyes Group Managing Director, Jimmy Moir, said the sale of the blowmoulding operation to LMG Fibrenyle is part of Jeyes long-term strategy to concentrate on its core activities.

''The fact that we will be neighbours is clearly an important element in the deal,'' said Moir.

''The benefit of having the very latest in computer-aided packaging design right on our doorstep -- coupled with the virtual absence of delivery costs -- will make a significant contribution to the development of our business over the next few years.''

The Lawson Mardon Group produces flexible, rigid plastic, metal and folding carton packaging, and is engaged in commercial printing, label making and print trade finishing, with operations in Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, Ireland, West Germany and France.

Lawson Mardon is listed on the Toronto, Montreal, American and London stock exchanges. Major shareholders are Roman Corporation Limited (26 percent), management (11 percent) and Woodholme Holdings (7 percent).

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SAN MATEO, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - CBR Cement Corp. announced Thursday that it has entered into a definitive agreement for the acquisition of the Cadman Companies, a leading aggregates and ready-mix concrete producer headquartered in Redmond, Wash.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed, but the transaction is expected to close after applicable regulatory reviews are completed.

With annual sales of approximately $65 million, Cadman operates seven aggregates plants, as well as five ready-mix concrete plants, in the greater Seattle/Bellevue area. Cadman has operated in the area since 1930.

The acquisition of Cadman will strengthen CBR's position in the Pacific Northwest, where its companies have operated since 1886. Cadman joins other CBR companies in the region, Tilbury Cement and Ocean Construction Supplies, which have been serving the Seattle area with cement, ready-mix concrete and aggregates since 1986.

CBR recently completed its acquisition of Standard Concrete Products Inc., a leading ready-mix concrete producer in Southern California, where it also operates Calaveras Cement, at Tehachapi.

The CBR Group is a leading international cement producer with integrated concrete and aggregates operations in the Western areas of Europe, Canada and the United States.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - George Elkins Co. has sold its Brentwood residential real estate office to focus on its real estate services business, company President Ronald H. Robbins announced Thursday.

The office, located in Brentwood, was sold Thursday to Dennis Duggan and Erny

Pinckert and will maintain its current location and staff along with a working relationship with the parent company. Purchase price for the branch will remain undisclosed.

''For many years, our real estate services -- property management, mortgage banking, and real estate insurance -- have become the core of our business,'' says Robbins. ''The sale of our residential real estate offices completes our transition to a real estate services company.''

Robbins said Elkins is currently in negotiations to sell its Beverly Hills and San Marino branches. The George Elkins Co. will maintain its current headquarters in Beverly Hills, along with its mortgage banking branch offices in Newport Beach, San Diego and Seattle.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - David Patterson, chief executive officer announces that its associated company, Nucell Inc. of Idaho, held a shareholders meeting in Portland, Ore., on Oct. 9, 1990.

Nucell Inc. is owned as to 49 percent by Steelhawk Energy Inc. and as to 51 percent by Peripheral Systems (NASDAQ:PSIX) an Oregon company. Steelhawk shares are quoted on the Canadian Over-the-Counter Automated Trading Systems (COATS) under the symbol STLH.

The purpose of the meeting was to make changes to the present board of directors of Nucell. Cliff Sawyer and Lowell Dicke, both members of Steelhawk Energy Inc.'s board of directors were asked to join the board of Nucell and this was accepted.

At the director's meeting following the shareholders' meeting, Sawyer was appointed to the position of president. For the past fifteen years Sawyer has acted as an independent management consultant and has completed assignments for large corporations, small and medium sized businesses and departments of governments, He was formally vice president, Brascan Ltd. of Toronto, prior to which he served as a senior executive of the Ford Motor Co. in the United States, Europe, South America and Canada.

Dicke and Sawyer were also appointed to the executive committee of Nucell Inc. Dicke is a qualified lawyer with wide business experience, particularly in the alternative energy sources and the development of energy technology.

Dicke's past accomplishments include chief financial officer with Fayette Manufacturing Corp., chief financial officer and general counsel with Tracy

Drilling Co. and general manager of Bechtel Financing Services, the project financing subsidiary of the Bechtel Group of Cos. Dicke has also worked as a consultant to the U.S. State Department, Litton Industries Inc., Econotech and various alternative energy companies.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - William E. Chapman II will be nominated to the position of senior vice president, pension/savings programs for Kemper Financial Services Inc. (KFS) at the next meeting of KFS' board of directors, announced Stephen E. Gibson, executive vice president and director of marketing for KFS.

According to Gibson, Chapman, who joined the firm on Oct. 8, will head up Kemper Financial's Pension/Savings Programs Department, which is responsible for the centralized support of marketing and sales of Kemper qualified plans.

Chapman, 49, comes to KFS from the Connecticut General Life Insurance Co. (CIGNA) where he was senior vice president of CIGNA Investments Inc. and President of CIGNA Asset Advisors and CIGNA Capital Brokerage Inc.

At CIGNA, Chapman was responsible for investment management sales to large corporate and public pension plans, financial institutions and individual markets. Prior to that, Chapman was president and chief executive officer of CIGNA Financial Partners Inc. and CIGNA Securities Inc. Chapman began his career with CIGNA in 1967 in the Group Pension Sales area.

Chapman is a 1963 graduate of Bowdoin College. In 1989, he was part of the Stanford Business School International Investment Programme at the London Business School. He is a Chartered Life Underwriter and Certified Employee Benefit Specialist.

Kemper Financial Services is one of the nation's largest asset managers, with over $62 billion in assets under management, including approximately $5.5 billion in retirement plan assets under management.

KFS is a major investment management and financial products company under the umbrella of Kemper Financial Companies Inc., a holding company for the financial services units of Kemper Corp. Kemper Corp. is a non-operating holding company with major subsidiaries in property-casualty insurance, life insurance, reinsurance and investment services.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Health Care Property Investors Inc. (NYSE:HCP) Thursday reported a new high net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30 of $17,647,000, or $1.58 per share, on revenues of $53,123,000.

This compares with net income of $9,493,000, or $1.08 per share of common stock, on revenues of $45,644,000, for the similar period in the prior year. The year-to-date increase in per share net income amounted to 46.3 percent.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, net income increased to a record $6,326,000, or 55 cents per share of common stock, on revenues of $18,238,000. This compares with net income of $2,510,000, or 27 cents per share of common stock, on revenues of $15,735,000 for the corresponding quarter in 1989.

The per share earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30 represent an increase of 3.8 percent over the prior quarter earnings, which were also at an all-time high. The results are not comparable to the quarterly results for the like period last year.

Year to date, total dividends paid represent a distribution of about 83.7 percent of cash flows for the nine months ended Sept. 30. This payout ratio ranks among the most conservative in the REIT industry.

Health Care Property Investors Inc. is a self-administered equity-oriented real estate investment trust that invests in health care related facilities, including long-term care facilities, acute care, rehabilitation and psychiatric hospitals, substance abuse recovery centers, congregate care and assisted-living facilities and medical office buildings.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Masstor Systems Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:MSCO) Thursday announced that Cygnus Ventures (formerly Vista Ventures), headquartered in the United Kingdom, has loaned $2 million to Masstor's United Kingdom subsidiary, Masstor Systems Limited.

The loan is secured by all of the assets of Masstor Systems Limited and is repayable upon demand by Cygnus Ventures. In connection with the loan, Masstor issued warrants entitling Cygnus Ventures to purchase 400,000 shares of Masstor Common Stock, exercisable at a price per share set initially at 75 cents and increasing to $1.50 over the three-year term of the warrant.

Masstor stated that the $2 million would be used for working capital and that the loan provided by Cygnus Ventures was in lieu of the sale by Masstor of its Preferred Stock contemplated in the Proxy Statement relating to its special meeting of stockholders held on Sept. 20, 1990.

Founded in 1976, Masstor Systems Corp. manufactures and services mass storage systems for IBM, Cray and Bull HN mainframe customers with very high volume applications. It has over 100 large company and institutional customers in 10 countries in North America and Europe. Its focused business strategy helps MIS managers quickly leverage their huge installed mainframe investments by automating their storage process and expanding their on-line applications.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Siliconix Inc. (NASDAQ:SILIQ) announced Thursday that sales for the third fiscal quarter ended Sept. 9, 1990 were $31,713,000, with a net loss of $(3,108,000) or (23 cents) per share.

This compares with sales of $27,191,000 and a net loss of $(5,052,000) equal to (38 cents) per share for the third quarter of last year.

The third quarter 1990 loss was primarily due to the accrual of interest expense and Chapter 11 related expenses. However, the company was encouraged by the continuing improvement in the operating level results.

The third quarter ended Sept. 9, 1990 marks the first quarter since 1988 that Siliconix has been profitable at the operating level. In addition, third quarter bookings continued to be strong with record bookings for a summer quarter. This followed all-time record bookings for both the first and second quarters of 1990.

Siliconix is a leading supplier of advanced semiconductor products for motor controls, power supplies, computer peripherals, telecommunications, instrumentation and automotive systems. In business for 28 years, Siliconix is a publicly traded company on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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SAN BRUNO, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Aetna Life Insurance Co., the nation's largest investor-owned health care insurance company, Thursday completed its purchase of 20 percent ownership in Bay Pacific Health Corp.

The purchase price was not disclosed.

This transaction presents the opportunity to create a regional Northern California health care network in the nation's most populous state, offering a wide variety of health care plans and products to the market, according to Aetna and Bay Pacific officials.

A letter of intent to purchase the stock was signed in January 1989. During the interim period, the two companies developed a variety of services and products they plan to jointly market beginning in early 1991.

The Bay Pacific Health Corp. is the parent company of 12-year-old Bay Pacific Health Plan, the fourth largest Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) in the San Francisco Bay Area, with 112,000 members.

Aetna Life Insurance Co. provides group health benefits and services for more than 12 million Americans. As a result of its acquisition in May 1990 of full ownership of PARTNERS National Health Plans, it is the third largest managed health care organization in the country.

Aetna has 2.8 million members in its nationwide network of 29 health maintenance organizations and 125 preferred provider groups. In California, Aetna has 173,900 members in its two HMOs and approximately 296,900 members in its four Preferred Provider Organizations.

Bay Pacific Health Plan was formed in 1978. Headquartered in San Bruno, the Bay Area company's health care system is currently comprised of 3,000 physicians, 29 hospitals, serving the counties of San Mateo, San Francisco, Contra Costa, Santa Clara, Marin and Alameda.

In 1989, Bay Pacific's revenues were $153 million, with operating income of $2 million.

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TUSTIN, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Eldorado Bancorp (ASE:ELB) Thursday reported net income of $846,000, or 31 cents per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1,027,000, or 37 cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the first nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, earnings were $2.8 million, even with the year-earlier period. Net income per share was $1 compared with $1.02 due to additional shares outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990.

Results for 1989 have been adjusted to reflect the 10 percent stock dividend paid Feb. 23, 1990.

On Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $283.7 million, and shareholders' equity was $25.7 million, or $9.27 per share. The 14 percent increase in shareholders' equity continues Eldorado's solid primary equity-to-asset ratio at 9.8 percent, one of the strongest in California.

J. B. Crowell, president and chief executive officer of Eldorado Bancorp and Eldorado Bank, said: ''The softness in third-quarter earnings was primarily a result of reduced net interest margins, slow loan activity and an increase in non-accrual real estate loans. Additionally, earnings were impacted by higher non-interest expenses in salaries, deposit insurance assessments and non-recurring expenses.

''Continuing the Bank's conservative accounting practices, certain real estate loans are being reported on a non-accrual basis foregoing interest income recognition. This action was taken due to the general economy and, more specifically, the weakness in real estate activity. Reserves for loan losses have been maintained at 1.21 percent of all loans, or $2.6 million, on Sept. 30, 1990.

''Net loan losses for 1990 are expected to continue to be significantly below the industry average.

''The company's strong capital position provides deposit safety, the ability to complete future mergers and acquisitions and the assurance to continue its cash dividend policy. It also provides flexibility for any economic environment.

''The Bank continues to maintain its strong financial position. Management anticipates the second best earning year in its history for 1990. The slowdown in the economic environment has reduced loan activity and fee income.

''We are now being very selective in emphasizing loan quality and therefore may sacrifice growth. We are more interested in maintaining solid financial strength during the current unsettled environment.''

Eldorado Bancorp, through its principal subsidiary, Eldorado Bank, operates through nine locations in Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Westwood One Inc. (NASDAQ:WONE) Thursday reported operating income of $2,489,000 for its third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, as compared with $120,000 in last year's third quarter, representing an improvement of more than $2 million.

It reported a 66 percent reduction in its net loss to $3,101,000, or a loss of 21 cents per share, in the third quarter of this year from a loss of $9,023,000, or a loss of 63 cents per share, reported a year ago.

Revenue increased during the quarter by more than 7 percent to $38,764,000 from $36,043,000 in the comparable quarter a year ago.

For the nine months of fiscal 1990, revenue increased 17 percent to $107,937,000 from $91,960,000 in the same period a year ago. The company reported operating income for the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, of $960,000 compared with an operating loss of $4,560,000 last year, an improvement of more than $5.5 million.

The net loss for the nine months was reduced to $14,637,000, or $1.01 per share, from $18,675,000, or $1.29 per share, in 1989.

William J. Battison, president and chief financial officer of Westwood One, said that the company's improvement is directly related to cost control programs implemented this year, as well as higher revenue from its stations and radio networks. ''Our latest audience increases as reported by RADAR, the reconfiguration of our radio networks and our recent affiliation agreement with Infinity Broadcasting Corp., positions the company for additional growth in the fourth quarter and in fiscal 1991,'' Battison said.

''This quarter exhibits a continuation of our improvement in operations. Operating income is at its highest level in two years and reflects the impact of both cost controls and growing revenue. Radio continues to be an attractive market to advertisers, even in a soft economy,'' Battison stated.

''Our cash flow has improved significantly as our start up and turn around properties have become productive. Simple cash flow, as defined by operating income plus depreciation and amortization, has grown from $847,000 to $3,288,000, an increase of 288 percent vs. this quarter last year, with only a 7 percent revenue increase,'' Battison said.

Westwood One is the nation's largest producer and distributor of radio programming and the parent company of the Mutual Broadcasting System and the NBC Radio Networks. The company owns and operates radio stations in New York City and Los Angeles, and is the owner of the music industry trade publication ''Radio & Records.''

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FOSTER CITY, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - A popular topic for the 1990s is cultural diversity in the workplace.

Information Access Co., a major producer of databases, is one firm that is exploring these issues.

''Over the next few months, IAC will be introducing managers and employees to issues on working in a culturally diverse workplace,'' said Morris Goldstein, president of Information Access Co.

The program will include viewing films produced by San Francisco-based Copeland Griggs Production on cultural diversity, and roundtable discussions on being successful in a multi-cultural organization.

To launch this program, an ''International Festival'' will be held on Friday, Oct. 12, from noon to 2 p.m.

The festival will include employee booths, representing various cultures found at the company. Traditional dress and cuisine from such cultures as Irish, Hispanic, German, Chinese, Indian, Russian, Tongan, Hungarian, Filipino and Pan African will be seen.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Vidmark Inc. (NASDAQ:VDMK) Thursday announced that it has authorized the purchase by the company of up to 500,000 shares of Vidmark's outstanding shares of common stock.

''The board's decision reflects our belief that Vidmark's stock is undervalued and represents a good use of our capital. This action also reflects our confidence in the company's future,'' said Mark Amin, chairman of the board.

According to Roger Burlage, president and chief executive officer, the repurchase will occur from time to time over the next six months with the amount and timing of the purchases dependent on market conditions and other factors.

Vidmark is an international distributor of motion pictures, primarily engaged in the distribution of feature films for the domestic home video market and in the licensing of distribution rights to motion pictures for foreign markets.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Electro Brain International Corp. Thursday revised its estimate of total revenues for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, to be approximately $520,000.

Previously the company had estimated total revenues for its third quarter to be in the range of $750,000 to $900,000. However, due to an unanticipated delay of approximately 10 days in the delivery of one order of game cartridges from Nintendo, the company was unable to fill certain orders until fourth quarter 1990. This resulted in certain sales previously expected to occur in third quarter 1990 being delated until fourth quarter 1990.

In September 1990, the company received an additional capital infusion of approximately $1,870,000 in gross offering restricted common stock to private Japanese investors. This equity financing, together with an additional $680,000 of gross offering proceeds raised earlier in the quarter, brings the total amount of gross equity capital raised by the company in third quarter 1990 to $2,550,000.

The company anticipates that this equity financing will enhance the ability of the company to expand its business and to participate in certain opportunities for video game development and possibly in related entertainment fields. The company is no longer presently seeking equity financing.

The company proposes to redeem all 6,250,000 shares outstanding of the company's privately held Series A convertible preferred stock (preferred stock) effective as of Nov. 14, 1990. Such redemption shall be made at the price of 8 cents per share, plus accrued dividends thereon. The company will pay accrued dividends on its preferred stock of approximately $30,000

(approximately $0.0048 per share) in November 1990.

If all of the preferred stock is redeemed, the company will pay out an additional $500,000 with respect thereto. All such shares bear the right to be converted into shares of the company's common stock. The company is not presently able to determine whether or to what extent shares of the preferred stock may be so converted.

The company's common stock is publicly traded in the Over-The-Counter market.

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DENVER (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Auto-trol Technology Corp., a leading software developer and integrator, has formed a technology alliance with Bridgeway Corp. (Redmond, Wash.) for development and marketing of network configuration management products.

KONFIG -- the first product combining the technology of the two firms -- utilizes powerful computer-aided graphics, relational database technology and enhanced network interfaces. The new software was announced Thursday at Interop 90 in San Jose, Calif.

Auto-trol will offer KONFIG as a complement to its extensive family of facility design and management software. AEC industry marketing manager Cully Culbreth said major markets for the product include Fortune 500 companies and large government agencies that operate complex LAN systems.

Bridgeway, the product's principal developer, retains separate marketing rights.

The first release of the KONFIG software will run on the UNIX operating system and Sun workstations.

Details of pricing, hardware configurations and software applications can be obtained from Culbreth at Auto-trol Technology Corp., 12500 North Washington St., Denver, CO 80241-2404; 303/252-2317.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Luz International Ltd. Thursday announced completion of its second 80 megawatt solar power plant.

The plant was financed, constructed and put on line in a record 7 1/2 months.

The 80 megawatt solar electric generating system (SEGS IX), located in the Mojave Desert approximately 140 miles northeast of Los Angeles, delivers electricity to the Southern California Edison (SCE) utility grid. Combined with its eight other plants, SEGS IX gives LUZ a total power output of 354 megawatts or enough to serve the residential needs of a half million people.

During this time of increased tension in the Mid-East, SEGS helps to reduce United States dependence on foreign oil by providing an alternative to fossil fuels. The combined electrical production from LUZ' nine SEGS plants is equivalent to displacing 2.3 million barrels of imported oil per year.

In addition to producing reliable power for utility markets, LUZ' solar power plants provide environmentally benign electricity when compared to other sources. Replacing an 80 megawatt oil-fired plant with a solar plant would cut emissions of carbon dioxide by over 340 million pounds and more than a quarter of a million pounds of nitrogen oxide per year.

SEGS IX is the second in a six-plant complex being built at Harper Lake. When all six plants are completed and on line in 1994, LUZ will be providing a total of 680 megawatts of electricity to Southern California. This large-scale production of solar electricity will provide enough energy to meet the residential needs of almost one million people, or as many people as live in cities the size of Phoenix, San Antonio or San Francisco.

LUZ is actively pursuing additional projects in California, the southwest United States and overseas. The company has proposed projects to the Sacramento Municipal Utility District, L.A. Department of Water & Power, and is exploring the feasibility of projects in Nevada, Texas, Arizona and other states. Overseas, LUZ officials are looking at projects in Spain, Brazil and India, among others. LUZ has headquarters in Los Angeles.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Retired Superior Court Judge J. Barton Phelps, arbitrator in a dispute between Advanced Micro Devices and Intel, will release his decision on liability issues at 1:30 p.m. Thursday.

Advanced Micro Devices will hold a news conference at 1:30 p.m. in the main lobby of its headquarters building at 915 DeGuigne Drive in Sunnyvale.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer W.J. Sanders III and Vice President and General Counsel Thomas Armstrong will make brief statements and respond to media questions about the decision and its implications for AMD.

Copies of Judge Phelps' opinion will be available at the news conference.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Medco Research Inc. (NASDAQ:MEDR) (BSE:MRE.B) Thursday announced that its new drug Adenoscan (adenosine) was found to be more potent than Persantine (dipyridamole) as a coronary vasodilator.

Researchers at the University of Iowa are scheduled to present their findings at the 63rd Scientific Sessions of the American Heart Association (AHA) to be held Nov. 12-15 in Dallas. An abstract of their presentation appears in a recent issue of CIRCULATION 1990;82:III-731.

In a study sponsored by Medco, these investigators compared the relative efficacy of adenosine, dipyridamole and papaverine as coronary vasodilators in patients undergoing cardiac catheterization, and concluded that ''....adenosine is a more potent coronary vasodilator than dipyridamole and is comparable in potency to intracoronary papaverine.''

The results of this study are significant and support Medco's view that adenosine would be relatively more effective than dipyridamole as a coronary vasodilator used with thallium-201 scanning to detect coronary artery disease.

Also scheduled for presentation at the AHA meeting is the very favorable safety experience with Adenoscan in patients studied at the Baylor College of Medicine (CIRCULATION 1990;82:III-730). In a series of studies sponsored by Medco, these investigators performed adenosine thallium-201 heart scans in 607 patients, including 125 patients with recent heart attacks.

They reported that ''no serious complications occurred'' and concluded that their experiences ''attest to the excellent safety of adenosine infusion in man, even within a few days of acute myocardial infarction.''

The results of this study support Medco's position that, unlike the coronary vasodilator dipyridamole, the extremely short half-life of adenosine (less than 10 seconds) makes it particularly well suited for use in thallium-201 heart scans.

Although no drug has yet been approved by the FDA for use in conjunction with thallium-201 scintigraphy, Medco filed its Adenoscan New Drug Application (NDA) with the FDA in February 1990 and this application for marketing approval is now under review by the FDA.

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BOSTON (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Fitchburg Gas & Electric Light Co. Thursday declared a quarterly dividend of 53 cents per share on the company's common stock payable Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 2, 1990.

The current dividend level is equivalent to an annualized rate of $2.12 per share.

The directors also declared the following quarterly dividends on the company's cumulative preferred stock, $100 par value, payable Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 16, 1990.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Potlatch Corp. Thursday reported lower earnings for the third quarter.

Weaker markets in several operating areas were the major cause of the decline.

Third quarter net earnings decreased to $24.7 million from $35.1 million reported last year. Earnings per common share were 85 cents, compared with $1.22 for 1989's third quarter. Sales for the quarter were $314.3 million, down from $318.4 million reported last year.

Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $94.1 million, down from $96.8 million for the like period in 1989. Earnings per common share were $3.25, compared with $3.41 earned during the first nine months of 1989. Sales for the first nine months were $962.2 million, an increase over the $911.9 million for 1989.

The redemption of the convertible subordinated debentures in June 1990 eliminated the potential for dilution and no fully diluted earnings per share are reported for the quarter or the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. In 1989

fully diluted earnings per share for the third quarter and first nine months were $1.17 and $3.24, respectively.

Richard B. Madden, Potlatch chairman and chief executive officer, stated that weak markets for wood products and printing papers were largely responsible for the third quarter decline. He also noted third quarter results were affected somewhat by a maintenance shutdown at the Cypress Bend, Ark., mill late in the third quarter.

The shutdown continued into early October and will have a larger impact on fourth quarter results. In addition, an extended shutdown at our Lewiston mill for normal maintenance and new equipment installation will have a significant adverse impact on fourth quarter results.

The company's wood products group reported a loss of $1.5 million for the third quarter, compared with earnings of $6.5 million in 1989. ''Sales realizations for this group's panel products were significantly lower than a year ago and lumber prices were also down,'' Madden said.

The Northwest Paper division reported third quarter earnings of $6.9 million, down from $11.7 million in 1989. ''Weak markets and operating problems were the main causes for this division's earnings decline,'' Madden noted.

The normal maintenance shutdown was taken during the third quarter at the Cloquet, Minn., pulp and paper mill. A flash flood in early September also caused an unscheduled shutdown, but much of the loss incurred was covered by insurance.

Third quarter earnings for the other pulp-based segment decreased to $41.6 million from $45.7 million for the like period in 1989. Despite continued excellent results for the consumer products division, earnings for the segment decreased modestly due to lower sales realizations for paperboard and sharply lower realizations for pulp.

''During the third quarter, paperboard and tissue markets were stable while markets for pulp continued to weaken,'' Madden stated.

''Our fourth quarter comparisons will be affected adversely by the fourth quarter shutdowns at the company's two pulp and paperboard mills and weaker markets in several of our product lines. Prices for wood products are unusually depressed as we enter the fourth quarter. Although we expect a difficult fourth quarter, we remain optimistic about our intermediate and long-term outlook,'' Madden concluded.

Potlatch is a diversified manufacturer of forest products with timberland in Arkansas, Idaho and Minnesota.

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WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Mark E. Buchman, president and chief executive officer of BKLA Bancorp, Thursday announced that the company reported a loss of $188,000 for the three-months period ending Sept. 30 and a year-to-date loss of $419,000.

Management said the third-quarter loss was primarily attributable to an addition of $350,000 to the reserve for loan losses by the company's subsidiary, Bank of Los Angeles. The provision for loan losses has been increased by approximately $1.45 million over the nine-months period ending Sept. 30.

Loan charge-offs totalled $306,000 for the third quarter and $1.84 million for the first nine months of 1990.

The company continues to maintain a strong capital-to-assets ratio, which exceeds regulatory requirements.

Founded in 1982, Bank of Los Angeles markets both business and consumer financial products and has regional offices in West Hollywood, Beverly Hills and Hollywood.

The common stock of the West Hollywood-based BKLA Bancorp is traded under the symbol BKLA on the NASDAQ National Market System and Western OTC.

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PALO ALTO, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Co. Thursday announced it has begun worldwide, volume shipments of its mainframe-class computers, the HP 3000 Series 980/100 and HP 9000 Model 870S/100.

These computers nearly double the performance of HP's previous high-end PA-RISC-based (Precision-Architecture reduced-instruction-set computing) computer families, and they offer mainframe-class performance at minicomputer prices.

HP also announced on-schedule initial shipment by year end of HP 3000 Series 980/200 multiprocessing computers. The company noted that shipment of the HP 9000 Model 870/200, originally scheduled for shipment December 1990, would be

delayed up to six months, until the next release of the HP-UX operating system.

Hewlett-Packard Company is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

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SANTA ANA, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - EECO Inc. (ASE:EEC) stated Thursday that a class action suit has been filed by two EECO shareholders naming the EECO board of directors and certain present and former company executives as defendants.

The suit, filed in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, alleges that during the period beteen Dec. 21, 1987, and May 2, 1990, EECO published false and misleading reports concerning operating and financial problems which the company was experiencing and claims that the company's published reports were in violation of federal securities laws.

Robert B. Bonney, chairman of EECO, stated that in his opinion the suit is without merit and that the defendants intend to vigorously contest the suit. EECO was not named as a defendant in the complaint.

EECO manufactures and markets electronic keypads, electromechanical switches and hotel computer systems worldwide and computer keyboards in Europe.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Fifth Third Bancorp's net income was $32,036,000 for the third quarter and $88,401,000 for the first nine months of 1990, compared to $28,854,000 and $80,647,000, respectively, for the same periods in 1989.

Third quarter earnings per share were 82 cents, a 10.8 percent increase over last year's 74 cents, and $2.26 for the first nine months of 1990, up 8.7 percent over last year's $2.08.

Total assets were $7.7 billion at quarter-end, compared to 1989's third quarter-end assets of $6.9 billion. For the first nine months of 1990, return on average equity was 16.1 percent and return on average assets was 1.64 percent.

Fifth Third places great importance on dividend growth to shareholders. This quarter, Fifth Third was again able to reward shareholders by declaring a cash dividend of 27 cents per share, a 12.5 percent increase over the prior quarter. This represents the 21st dividend increase in 15 years, since the formation of Fifth Third Bancorp, and brings the company's 5-year compound dividend growth rate to 15.8 percent. Fifth Third's dividend growth rate for the past 10 years has placed the company in the top 100 of Moody's 1989 'Dividend Achievers' list compiled from over 5,500 companies in its equity data base, including all NYSE, AMEX and actively traded NASDAQ companies.

At quarter-end, the Bancorp had $760.0 million in equity, which represented 9.9 percent of total assets. This is one of the strongest capital positions in the industry. The company's ROA of 1.70 percent and ROE of 16.9 percent for the quarter also place Fifth Third among the top performing banks in the country.

Fifth Third Bancorp is a regional banking holding company with 210 banking locations, including 27 Bank Marts located in Kroger stores, throughout Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky.

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LOUISVILLE, CO (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Cybermedic Inc. (NASDAQ:CMED) recently was informed by NASDAQ that effective Oct. 16, 1990, the common stock price quotations of Cybermedic Inc. will appear daily in the Additional List NASDAQ Quotes.

The Additional List appears daily in ''The Wall Street Journal'' under the heading ''NASDAQ Bid & Asked Quotations,'' and in ''The New York Times'' under the heading ''NASDAQ Supplemental List.'' In addition the security will appear daily in ''Investor's Daily'' and weekly in ''Barron's.''

Company President Patrick Crane said: ''The market's semiannual re-ranking of eligible corporations has yielded significantly more exposure for Cybermedic. This increased exposure will enable present and potential shareholders to better monitor Cybermedic stock activity.
Our common stock quotations are readily available through a number of additional data sources under the symbol CMED.''

Cybermedic manufactures computerized pulmonary diagnostic equipment and metabolic analyzers which it markets to hospitals, clinics and physicians throughout the United States and in selected international markets.

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PALO ALTO, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Despite the turmoil in the real estate market this year, Marcus & Millichap Real Estate Investment Brokerage Co. has closed over $1 billion of investment real estate in 1990 as of Sept. 15, according to William A. Millichap, president of the company.

This is the highest year-to-date record in the company's twenty year history.

Sales of multi-residential properties (apartment buildings) have accounted for 60 percent of the firm's overall sales, with the remaining 40 percent resulting from sales of leased investments, including shopping centers, office industrial and R & D buildings.

As of Sept. 15, 1989, the firm had closed $797 million in sales. Number of transactions closed were 308 for this time last year, as compared to 379 to date in 1990.

A survey of Marcus & Millichap offices indicates that multi-residential properties are currently more popular, particularly in the $1-$4 million range with down payments under $1 million. In northern California markets, newer buildings are hot commodities, while 30-year old ''bread and butter'' buildings are moving more slowly.

In the leased investment area, properties that tend to be the toughest to sell are those in the $7-$10 million range, The market is indicating that this size property tends to be too small for institutional buyers and too large for individuals.

''We are seeing a greater number of transactions close all cash and no loans, compared to any other time in the past 5-10 years,'' said Millichap. ''One of the underlying factors creating this trend is the turbulent financing market. In light of the tightening of the reserve requirement for S & L's and banks and the media's poor perception of the real estate market, our traditional sources of lending funds have all but dried up.''

Marcus and Millichap conducts a loan survey on a weekly basis that provides agents with updates on which lenders are in or out of the market and what new lender imposed restrictions have taken place, so that they can close deals

with the buyers that are in the market.

Marcus & Millichap Real Estate Investment Brokerage Co. specializes in the sale of income producing property. In 1989, the company had sales of $1.35 billion.

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MILPITAS, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Octel Communications Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:OCTL) Thursday announced that for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 30, 1990, net revenues were $35,170,000, an increase of 25 percent over net revenues of $28,195,000, for the like three-month period in fiscal 1990.

Net income for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was $2,935,000, or 17 cents per share, a decrease of 21 percent from net income of $3,720,000, or 23 cents per share for the like period last year.

''We believe our results for the first quarter were affected by uncertainty in the economy,'' said Robert Cohn, chairman. ''After 16 consecutive quarters of increasing revenues and 13 consecutive quarters of increasing income (before extraordinary tax credits), we continued to increase our staffing and other expenses in anticipation of continued growth in the first quarter.

''We have seen delays in orders from some customers. While we continue to be optimistic about the long term prospects for our company and industry, we are instituting cost reduction measures while we monitor near-term economic events and the effect these may have on our order rate.''

Octel Communications Corp. designs, manufactures and markets a full line of high-performance voice processing systems. Octel's Aspen product line is sold in the United States, Canada and overseas to small businesses and large multisite corporations.

The recently announced Sierra multiple-application voice processing platform is a very large capacity system designed to meet the special needs of telephone companies and other voice information service providers.

Octel was founded in 1982 and has headquarters in Milpitas.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Safeguard Ventures Inc. (VcSE:SFV) and Consolidated Ramrod Gold Corp. (VcSE:CYN) announced that they have entered into a letter of intent with each other pursuant to which Safeguard has the option to acquire up to a 50 percent interest in the above referenced property (Neel-Jacobsen Prospect, Chelan County, Wenatchee, Wash.).

Safeguard may exercise the option by incurring exploration expenditures and property payments on the Neel-Jacobsen property over a period of three years as follows:

Year	Cumulative Expenditures	Cumulative Interest Earned
1	$ 500,000	15 pct
2	$ 1,250,000	30 pct
3	$ 2,000,000	50 pct

Safeguard will also issue 75,000 shares to Ramrod upon execution of a formal agreement, of which 37,500 shares will have a one-year hold period.

Upon exercising the option, the parties will constitute a joint venture for the purpose of participating in a joint operation on the exploration and development of the property, with Safeguard as operator of the property.

The subject property is located near the Cannon Mine owned jointly by Asamera Minerals Inc. and Breakwater Resources Ltd. in Wenatchee, Wash.

The granting of the option on the foregoing terms is subject to Vancouver Stock Exchange approval.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Materials Inc., a pioneer in reactive ion etching (RIE) technology, has just marked a milestone by shipping 600 Precision Etch 8300-series etch systems.

The latest system, a Precision Etch 8310, was shipped to Intel Corp.'s facility in Chandler, Ariz., said Tom Peterson, director of hexode product marketing at Applied Materials. The system is one of the Precision Etch 8300 family of low-pressure RIE hexode etchers, and is configured for etching dielectric materials; it also features new molecular backside cooling hardware.

Peterson explained that Applied Materials' 8300-series etchers are used extensively in wafer fabrication lines worldwide to produce DRAMs, SRAMs, EPROMs and microprocessors. In production, these systems are achieving device densities of up to 4 megabits. The 8300-series also is widely used in R&D labs to fabricate 16- and 64-megabit devices.

Applied Materials entered the plasma etch market in 1981 with its AME 8100 system. This technology combines RIE with a vertical hexode-shaped chamber that enables uniform etching of wafers in large batches. The Precision Etch 8300 was introduced in 1983, with higher levels of automation than the 8100.

Applied Materials Inc. is a global growth company based in Santa Clara, and is the leading independent supplier of wafer fabrication systems to the worldwide semiconductor industry. It is a market leader in chemical vapor deposition (CVD), dry plasma etching and silicon deposition.

The company is also a leading manufacturer of ion implantation systems and recently launched its entry into the physical vapor deposition (PVD) market.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - MasterTech (tm) Computer Products International, developer of educational and business management PC software, this week announced the release of its first computer-based training tutorial, the ''How to Operate a Computer (tm)'' course.

Designed for the computer novice, and experienced users lacking the basics, ''How to Operate a Computer'' is a simple self-study course which provides a basic understanding of how to operate a personal computer.

Based on the widely acclaimed works of best-selling author L. Ron Hubbard, the course employs Hubbard's proven training technique in teaching computer basics. Built-in tools help the user independently solve study difficulties. An on-line glossary is also available for ready definitions of most terms.

Training the man on the street to use computers is indeed one of MasterTech's goals. Concerned with the overall literacy problem in America, the company

plans to help people meet technology's challenge -- on the job and in everday life. A relatively new business,
MasterTech's user list already includes such corporate heavyweights as IBM, AT&T and Intel Corp.

The ''How to Operate a Computer'' course, Bach explains, for a list price of just $50, puts a person quickly and easily on the road to computer literacy. With corporate America spending over $10 billion yearly on computer training, fighting computer illiteracy is a costly battle.

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GARDEN GROVE, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Hycor Biomedical Inc. (NASDAQ:HYBD) Thursday announced sales of $2,546,000 and net income of $168,000, or 3 cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales were $7,528,000 and net income was $418,000. These figures represent sales increases of 14 percent and 10 percent, respectively, over the quarter and nine months of 1989. Sales of the company's current products remain strong both in the United States and in foreign markets.

Although net income declined from last year, results would have shown a dramatic improvement except that the company has invested heavily in promotional and marketing activities as part of its plan to launch the new accuPINCH line of on-site drugs of abuse tests.

The initial four tests for cocaine, marijuana, opiates and PCP were introduced at the American Correctional Association Convention in San Diego in August. These products will also be featured at the Drug Free Workplace Conference in Washington, D.C. on Oct. 15.

Hycor Biomedical is a biotechnology firm specializing in the development, manufacturing and worlwide marketing of human diagnostic products.

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HONOLULU (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Due to the continuance of the situation in the Middle East and the related increases in fuel oil prices, Matson Navigation Co. Inc. has filed a rate increase of 2.9 percent to take effect

Nov. 11 in its U.S./Pacific Coast-Hawaii service.

The across-the-board increase was filed Oct. 11 with the Federal Maritime Commission in Washington, D.C., and a parallel increase was filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission for certain intermodal rates and tenders for government cargo subject to ICC jurisdiction.

''In response to President Bush's request, Matson exercised restraint in reacting to the crisis,'' C. Bradley Mulholland, president and chief operating officer said. ''We felt this approach would best serve Hawaii's shippers, consignees and the public at large.

''We are one of few transportation companies in the country to have resisted taking action in the midst of these substantial increases in fuel oil costs. We had hoped that the sudden increase in fuel oil prices was a temporary phenomenon. However, after waiting two months, we find that the reality of the situation makes this rate increase unavoidable.

''The increase which Matson seeks is solely to recover a portion of our increased fuel costs.''

Matson Navigation is a subsidiary of Alexander & Baldwin Inc. (NASDAQ:ALEX).

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TEMPE, AZ (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - C. Zane Close, president and chief executive officer of CerProbe Corp. (NASDAQ:CRPB) Thursday announced revenues and results from operations for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter were $1,377,793, a 12.6 percent increase compared to the third quarter 1989 revenues of $1,223,171. Revenues for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $3,604,043, a decrease of 3 percent from revenues of $3,713,689 for the same period in 1989.

The third quarter net income of $5,509, or less than 1 cent per share, compared to a third quarter 1989 loss of $14,437, or 1 cent per share. For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the loss was $97,251, or 4 cents per share compared to a loss in 1989 of $172,969, or 8 cents per share.

CerProbe has introduced two new probing technologies this year. The Beta Card was introduced in May, followed in September with the unveiling of CerCard, a probe card hich incorporates the advantages of ceramic adhesive technology with that of conventional epoxy-ring cards. Although the CerCard was introduced only a month ago, orders were being filled in early October.

CerProbe Corp. develops and manufactures products for the high performance testing of state-of-the-art integrated circuits and microelectronics components. The Arizona-based company markets its products worldwide to major semiconductor manufacturers and has satellite facilities operating in Kokomo, Ind.; Westboro, Mass.; Santa Clara, Calif.; and Austin, Texas.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Mercury Entertainment Corp. Thursday reported net income of $360,834, or 63 cents per share, for the three-month period ended Aug. 31, 1990, and net income of $336,898, or 59 cents per share, for the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

For the same periods in the prior year, Mercury Entertainment reported net losses of $253,421, or 44 cents per share, and $728,692, or $1.27 per share, respectively. A substantial portion of the 1990 income related to recognition in connection with the production of the films described below, of previously deferred income, the proceeds of which had been received by the company in prior periods.

The company also announced that its second feature film to roll before the cameras this year is ''Mom & Dad Save the World,'' which began photography on Aug. 22, 1990. Its earlier feature, ''The Real World,'' completed photography in July. Both films will be released by Warner Bros. in 1991.

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ANAHEIM, CALIF. (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of Anaheim announces the promotion of Margie Lia to assistant vice president/assistant cashier.

Lia joined Bank of Anaheim in 1985. Her primary responsibilities include investments, financial reporting, personnel and shareholder activities.

The Bank is also pleased to announce that Cindy Moore has joined the Bank as a loan officer. She will be making loans to the small- and medium-sized companies in Orange County. She has 15 years of banking experience, primarily with independent banks in the area.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Novellus Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:NVLS) Thursday reported its 14th consecutive quarter of growth in revenues and record quarterly net income for its third fiscal-1990 quarter of growth in revenues and record quarterly net income for its thrid fiscal-1990 quarter, ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter were $17.2 million, an increase of 25 percent from third-quarter 1989 sales of $13.8 million. Net income for the quarter was $3.6 million, or 26 cents per share, up 16 percent from $3.1 million, or 23 cents per share, in 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net sales were $49 million, an increase of 35 percent from net sales of $36.4 million in the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the nine months was $10.3 million, or 74 cents per share, an increase of 30 percent from $7.9 million, or 62 cents per share, in 1989.

All per-share amounts have been adjusted to give effect to a two-for-one stck split completed during the quarter.

Robert Graham, Novellus president and chief executive officer, commented: ''The third quarter of 1990 was an excellent one for Novellus Systems. We achieved record results in both revenues and net income. We introduced a new blanket tungsten deposition system into the market that we feel will be a successful second product for us. We declared a two-for-one split of our common stock effective in August.

''Cash generation continued, with cash and short-term investments climbing to $36.9 million, a $4.3 million increase over the ending balance in the second quarter of 1990. Although there are uncertainties in the economy and the semiconductor-equipment market, we remain optimistic about the future for Novellus.''

Novellus Systems manufactures, markets and services advanced automated wafer-fabrication systems worldwide for semiconductor manufacturing and development.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Xilinx Inc. (NASDAQ:XLNX) Thursday reported record revenues, operating income and net income for the second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 29.

Revenues for the quarter were $23.1 million, an increase of 103 percent from $11.4 million for the comparable period last year and up 25 percent from $18.5 million in the immediately preceding quarter.

Year-to-date revenues of $41.6 million increased 91 percent from $21.8 million for the corresponding prior period.

Operating income of $5.3 million for the quarter increased 170 percent from $2.0 million in the comparable quarter of 1989 and grew 26 percent from $4.2 million for the immediately preceding quarter. Year-to-date operating income of $9.5 million also increased 164 percent from $3.6 million for the first six months of 1989.

Net income for the September quarter was $3.7 million, an increase of 102 percent from $1.9 million in the second quarter 1989 and up 34 percent from $2.8 million in the immediately preceding quarter. Year-to-date net income was $6.5 million, up 91 percent from $3.4 million in the like period last year.

Earnings per share increased to 16 cents in the second quarter, compared to 10 cents a year ago and 14 cents for the previous quarter. Xilinx has reported increased revenue and operating income of 12 consecutive quarters.

Xilinx's balance sheet remains very strong with cash and cash equivalents of $60.7 million currently representing 67 percent of total assets. Total debt constitutes approximately 20 percent of total assets.

Geographically, Vonderschmitt said business remained strong in all regions with 31 percent of second quarter sales coming from overseas. Sales in Japan increased 25 percent over the immediately preceding quarter as the company ramped up volume shipments of surface mount devices and the XACT version for NEC PCs, both popular choices in the Japan market.

Field programmable gate arrays are off-the-shelf ICs that can be programmed by the user to perform the exact logic function desired. The company's FPGAs are well suited to a wide variety of applications which require high logic integration and where time to market is critical, production volumes unpredictable, or frequent design changes necessary to adapt a product to new markets.

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JOPPA, MD (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Oct. 11, Merry-Go-Round Enterprises Inc. (MGR:NYSE) today announced that sales for the five week period ending Oct. 6, 1990 increased 24 percent to $55.8 million from $45.1 million in the comparable calendar weeks in September 1989.

Same store sales for September 1990 in the comparable calendar weeks increased 16 percent.

Total sales for the nine week period of back-to-school increased 23 percent to $118.4 million from $96 million in the corresponding period last year. Same store sales for the nine-week period increased 17 percent.

Michael D. Sullivan, president and chief executive officer, commented, ''We are delighted with our sales performance in September especially considering our excellent results last year and the current difficult economic and retail environment.''

Same store sales for September 1989 increased 30 percent.

Merry-Go-Round Enterprises Inc. is a leading specialty apparel chain selling contemporary fashions for young men and women in over 630 retail stores in 37 states.

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CONCORD, MA (COT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad Inc. Thursday announced it has received an order from ACUSTAR Inc., a subsidiary of Chrysler Corp., for several of GenRad's latest printed circuit board test systems.

The multi-million dollar order from ACUSTAR is for the newest member of the GR228X family, a system yet to be announced for general sale and designed in cooperation with ACUSTAR for its high-volume printed circuit board facility in Huntsville, Alabama. The order is to be shipped in late 1990.

Commenting on the order, GenRad President and Chief Executive Officer, Robert E. Anderson said, ''The size and scope of this ACUSTAR board tester contract is significant for GenRad as it typifies the co-destiny partnership forged between GenRad and suppliers to the automotive industry around the world. GenRad's design and test products are applied in the automotive industry for design verification, production test and service bay diagnostics."

A variety of our production test systems for electronic systems are used by automotive manufacturers including Chrysler, Delco, Ford, Fiat, Bosch, BMW, Mercedes Benz, Porsche, Jaguar and Nissan. Similarly, service bay diagnostic systems such as that developed for Jaguar Cars XJ6 series are now being marketed to other automotive manufacturers. Last week, GenRad announced a major order from Ford Motor Company for advanced diagnostic systems.

Anderson emphasized that providing design and test solutions to the automotive industry could have significant growth potential for the Company's orders and revenue. He noted that despite sluggish U.S. car sales in the current market year, by the year 2000, the automotive electronics industry in North America alone is expected to reach $28 billion nearly quadrupling the 1989 level.

Such sales volume is contingent upon a 14 percent increase in Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) electronics content per vehicle in each year through the year 2000, the year in which the average electronic content per vehicle is forecast to be $1,803, more than three times what it was in 1986.

GenRad Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems and automatic test equipment, to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing, and process quality management. The Company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its trading symbol is GEN.

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CANTON, MA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Oct. 11, 1990, Hills Department Stores, Inc. (HDS/NYSE) today announced that total sales for the fiscal five-week period ended October 6, 1990 increased 12.4 percent to $201.9 million from $179.7 million for the corresponding period in 1989.

Same store sales for fiscal September 1990 increased 8.0 percent.

Sales for the fiscal thirty-five week period ended October 6, 1990 increased 8.0 percent to $1.29 billion from $1.19 billion for the corresponding period a year ago. Same store sales increased 4.5 percent during this period.

Hills reported sales in fiscal 1989 based on a 53-week year. Consequently, the ending dates for 1990 fiscal months are one calendar week later than the corresponding 1989 fiscal month ending dates. Had the Company reported results based on a 52-week year, the comparable five-week period would have reflected increases of 12 percent for total sales and 7.3 percent on a same store basis. Results for the comparable thirty-five week calendar period would have reflected increases of 6.1 percent and 2.8 percent, respectively.

Hills Department Stores, Inc. is a discount store chain, operating in 14 states, with 213 locations compared with 202 stores a year ago.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - International Business Network announced Thursday the successful completion of phase one in the development of a single, global, electronic common market.

This established a touch-tone telephone-operated, menu-driven computer system utilizing voice processing. The technology is easy to use and can be accessed from anywhere in the world.

The service may be used to promote business opportunities in the United States or abroad and the professional skills of consultants or expert international business specialists. The service may also be used by industry organizations as a calendar of international business events, to promote organizational agendas, meetings and special events.

IBN allows subscribers to enter business profiles, company news and notices, advertise goods and services and seek advice from other subscribers in the electronic common market.

The service may also be used to promote employment opportunities in foreign countries and facilitate the search for qualified employees with skills in various fields of international business.

Any recently graduated students with degrees or certificates in international relations, policy, diplomacy, trade, management, marketing, sales, and economics (or other pertinent skills) may list their resumes on the service.

Interested parties listening to these messages may leave their name, phone number and a request for more information for IBN subscribers to call them back.

The IBN Global Voice Information Service is available free of charge to listen to companies, organizations or individuals comment on the services, products and information they have to offer.

Previewing of the system is now available.

Any interested party may access the IBN computer voice bulletin board by calling the International Business Network computer at 415/985-7153.

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Gary Cook, 415/558-8482.

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DALLAS (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - National microcomputer dealer CompuCom Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:BYTE) announced that revenues for its third quarter ending Sept. 30 increased 22 percent to $88,732,000 over revenues of $72,850,000 posted for the same period in 1989.

Earnings for the quarter increased by 141 percent, to $1,066,000 ($4 cents per share), up from $442,000 (2 cents per share) during the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, earnings increased 144 percent to $2,124,000 on revenues of $234.9 million compared with earnings of $869,000 on $189.4 million of revenues.

The third quarter 1990 earnings and revenues reflect the best results in CompuCom's history.

Avery More, president and co-CEO of CompuCom said, ''We have grown rapidly but carefully over the past few years. Two years after the acquisition of CompuShop, we are hitting our stride. We clearly proved that we can profitably consolidate large acquisitions. We plan to continue this growth by combining our internal momentum with strategic acquisitions within the industry.''

CompuCom entered the microcomputer business in 1987 with the acquisition of TriStar Data Systems, a regional computer reseller. In 1988, CompuCom acquired CompuShop, a computer retailer with national coverage.

Warren V. Musser, chairman of Safeguard Scientifics Inc. (Wayne, Pa.) CompuCom's largest shareholder, said, ''CompuCom's record revenue and earnings performance for the quarter reinforces our confidence and commitment in CompuCom's management team. They know what to do and they deliver.''

CompuCom Systems Inc., based in Dallas, serves major accounts through 28 offices nationwide. The company sells and supports major personal computer lines, including IBM, Compaq, and Hewlett-Packard, and offers related customer-based services. CompuCom focuses on establishing a partnership relationship with its customers by providing products, support, and integration services for their Information Technology requirements.

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LYNNWOOD, WA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Ralph V. Schapler, chairman and chief executive officer of Pioneer Savings Bank, Lynnwood, Thursday announced increased earnings for the third consecutive quarter.

Net income for the current quarter was $2,785,000, compared to $2,686,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, and $2,517,000 for the quarter ended March 31 1990. Pioneer Bank converted to stock ownership on July 13, 1989, and trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''PFBK''.

Net income for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $2,785,000 and $7,988,000, respectively. During the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, a recovery of the unused provision for the balance sheet restructuring was recorded in the after-tax amount of $8,356,000, resulting in net income of $10,167,000. The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, of $3,189,000 included the one-time charges for the restructuring and Management Recognition Plan in an after-tax amount of $7,234,000. Net income, excluding these one-time effects was $1,811,000 and $4,045,000 for the three and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The 54 percent increase in quarterly net income, not including the effects of the one-time events over the previous year, was principally composed of a $1.8 million increase in net interest income. This increase resulted from the restructuring of investments and borrowings together with larger portfolio balances, which was partially offset by a $377,000 decrease in income from real estate operations, due to decreased residential lot sales by the bank's subsidiary. The 97 percent increase in nine-month net income, excluding the effects of the one-time events noted above, over the same period in 1989 was principally composed of a $6.1 million increase in net interest income, resulting from the previously mentioned restructuring of investments and borrowings and larger portfolio balances. This increase was partially offset by a $781,000 decrease in income from real estate operations.

Mortgage loan originations increased to $172,124,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to $107,381,000 for the same period a year ago.

Based primarily on increased earnings, the board of directors declared a dividend of 16 cents per share to stockholders of record Oct. 12, 1990, payable on Oct. 26, 1990.

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PENNSAUKEN, NJ (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Environmental Control Group Inc. (NASDAQ: ECGI) Thursday announced net income of $483,000 or approximately 7 cents per share, on third quarter revenues of $15,114,000.

This compares to a net loss of $1,682,000 or 24 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of this year, net income was $1,045,000 or 14 cents per share. This compares to a net loss of, after an extraordinary item, of $502,000 or 7 cents per share during the comparable nine-month period of 1989.

The company reported third quarter operating income before interest and taxes of $1,410,000 compared to an operating loss of $1,371,000 in 1989.

For the nine-month period, operating income before interest and taxes was $3,518,000 compared to 1989 operating income of $1,701,000.

The company noted that revenues were down substantially from 1989 levels. Comparative results for 1989 did not include any underwriting revenues or earnings of the insurance subsidiary due to the open year deposit method of accounting for underwriting results then in use.

This decline in revenues is attributable to the company's earlier decision to discontinue various product lines and cease some services to certain sectors of the asbestos abatement marketplace, as well as to a general softness in the industry, an increase in competition and the slow down in the mid-Atlantic regional economy.

''While revenues were lower than those reported in the third quarter of 1989, we are nonetheless pleased with the fact that we are continuing to make progress in our program to reduce breakeven levels,'' said ECG President and Chief Executive Officer Brian R. Esher.

''This has enabled us to generate profits on lower revenues and margin levels. We are pleased that all operating business units have contributed positively to our bottom line results and have done so since the beginning of the year.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Utah Medical Products Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:UTMD), a manufacturer and marketer of proprietary medical products for use primarily in the critical care areas of hospitals, announced increases in revenues and earnings for the third quarter 1990.

Sales for the third quarter were $6,466,373, an increase of 40 percent from the $4,634,728 reported for the third quarter of 1989.

Net earnings increased 67 percent to $1,284,979, or 16 cents per share, from the $771,689, or 10 cents per share, reported for the like period last year. Weighted average shares outstanding were 7.85 million vs. 7.66 million in the third quarter 1989.

For the first nine months of this year, sales were $16,828,393 or an increase of 35 percent from the $12,424,237 reported for the first nine months of 1989.

Net earnings for the nine month period were $2,994,011, or 38 cents per share, compared with $1,693,072, or 22 cents per share, for the like period last year an increase of 77 percent.

Weighted average shares outstanding were 7.82 million vs. 7.60 million for the first nine months of 1989.

Wm. Dean Wallace, president, stated: ''We are on target for our goal of 30 percent growth in revenues and are exceeding our 30 percent target in earnings for 1990.

''To meet the increasing demand for our products, we have now moved to three shifts in the manufacturing division of our company and are also expanding the physical plant from 34,000 to 85,000 square feet over the next six months to accommodate our growth.

''Utah Medical is grateful for the continued support of the investment community, our shareholders and our customers.''

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Computer Systems Inc. Thursday announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Palette ACQ Corp., has extended its all-cash tender offer for all outstanding shares of common stock of Ingres Corp. until midnight, New York time, on Friday, Oct. 19.

The tender offer was previously scheduled to expire on Oct. 12. All of the

other terms of the offer remain unchanged. ASK stated that negotiations are continuing on the definitive bank financing agreement, completion of which is a condition to the offer.

ASK also announced that as of 5 p.m. California time on Oct. 10, 4,363,791 shares of Ingres common stock had been validly tendered pursuant to the tender offer and not withdrawn. These shares represent approximately 38 percent of the outstanding shares of Ingres common stock. The offer is conditioned upon a minimum number of shares being tendered, calculated in accordance with the merger agreement among ASK, Ingres and Palette. Based on shares and options outstanding as of Sept. 10, the minimum number of shares would be approximately 6,450,000 shares.

ASK Computer Systems is a leader in enterprise-wide information systems. It completed its 1990 fiscal year-end in June with revenues of $207 million.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The Gap Inc. Thursday reported sales of $181 million for the five-week period ended Oct. 6, an increase of 17 percent over sales of $155 million for the comparable period ended Oct. 7, 1989.

The company's comparable store sales increased 8 percent in September 1990 compared to an increase of 17 percent a year ago.

Sales of $1.154 billion for the 35 weeks ended Oct. 6, 1990, represent an increase of 24 percent over sales of $930 million for the like period in 1989. Year-to-date comparable store sales increased 16 percent in both 1990 and 1989.

As of Oct. 6, 1990, The Gap Inc. operated 1,059 stores compared to 964 at Oct. 7, 1989, an increase of 10 percent.

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BOSTON (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - State Street Boston Corp. reported third quarter earnings per share of $.79 on a fully diluted basis, up 11% from $.71 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the quarter was $29.9 million, up from $27.0 million a year ago. The earnings per share gain resulted from revenue growth partially offset by increased operating expenses and a higher provision for loan losses. Return on stockholders' equity was 18.0%.

Fee revenue accounted for 67% of total revenue, reflecting State Street's businesses that combine information technology with banking. State Street is the largest provider of securities processing and recordkeeping services for U.S. mutual funds and pension funds. The corporation also specializes in quantitative investment products and is the largest U.S. manager of international pension assets.

State Street provides global services from its offices in the United States, Toronto, London, Luxembourg, Munich, Hong Kong, Tokyo and Sydney.

Fee revenue was $127.4 million, up $13.6 million or 12% over the third quarter of 1989. The largest component of fee revenue, fiduciary compensation, was $95.2 million, up 11%. Growth in revenue from servicing mutual funds and pension plans contributed to the increase. Revenues from managing assets for other institutions and recordkeeping for 401(k) plans were up substantially.

Other fee revenue includes gains on the disposition of leasing residuals of $3.7 million, up $2.1 million over a year ago. Foreign exchange trading revenue was $8.5 million, up $1.6 million over the third quarter of 1989. The third quarter of 1989 included non-recurring processing service fees of $2.0 million.

Taxable equivalent net interest revenue was $73.2 million, up $15.3 million or 26% from the third quarter of 1989 due to balance sheet growth and wider interest rate spreads. Interest- earning assets increased $2.3 billion, or 33%, funded in part by additional multi-currency deposits from money managers of global portfolios. The excess of rates earned over rates paid by State Street widened, reflecting lower short-term market interest rates.

The provision for loan losses charged against income was $10.4 million, up from $4.6 million a year ago. Net loan charge-offs were $11.3 million. During the quarter, non-performing assets increased to $58.5 million, or 2.3% of loans. At quarter end, loans were $2.6 billion and the allowance for loan losses was $51.8 million, or 2.0% of loans.

Operating expenses of $137.4 million were up $16.4 million, or 14%, over the third quarter of 1989. The increase was due to additional people and other expenses supporting business growth.

On September 30, total assets were $11.6 billion. State Street had a risk-based total capital ratio of 14.0%, well above the regulatory minimum of 7.25% required by year-end 1990.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - AirSensors Inc. (NASDAQ:ARSN) announced Thursday revenues for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, were $6,721,252 with a net loss of $445,000, or 2 cents per common share.

Revenues for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990, were approximately 12 percent less than for the first quarter of fiscal year 1990.

The decline in sales is attributed to a soft market for fleet conversion in North America. Volatile propane pricing which occurred last winter is partially blamed for market softness. Uncertainty with respect to alternative fuel policies in various key states and as finally spelled out in the pending Federal Clean Air Bill, is believed to be the primary cause, however.

Bert Martin, president and chief executive officer, stated: ''Although not reflected in present sales, AirSensors is becoming the focal point of technical interest as evidenced by an unprecedented volume of inquiries. It appears to be the consensus that our newly developed technology is visionary, elegant and greatly needed.

AirSensors' subsidiary, IMPCO Technologies Inc., is a leading manufacturer of products for the alternative fuel equipment market. IMPCO has a dominant share of the domestic market and a significant share of the international market for propane and natural gas systems used in automotive, material handling, industrial and small engine industries. It also designs and develops engine management systems for internal combustion engines.

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EUGENE, OR (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Spectra-Physics announced today that it filed suit in the U.S. District Court for the District of Oregon on Sept. 27, 1990, against Symbol Technologies of Bohemia, N.Y.

The suit asks the court to declare that Spectra-Physics has the right to make, use and sell products free and clear of claims of infringement of any valid and enforceable patent. The suit also contends that Symbol Technologies has competed unfairly in the market, and Spectra-Physics seeks to enjoin them from all further acts of unfair competition. Spectra-Physics also seeks compensatory and punitive damages.

At the Scan Tech Show last week in Atlanta, Spectra-Physics introduced its SP 300 series of handheld laser barcode readers and received an overwhelmingly positive response. The SP 300 series competes directly with Symbol Technologies' handheld scanner product line.

Spectra-Physics alleges that Symbol Technologies has intimidated customers and competed unfairly by tying purchase agreements for handheld lasers scanners to the grant of licenses to other Symbol Technologies' patents.

John O'Brien, president of Spectra-Physics, asserted: ''We are committed to offer the broadest and most complete scanner product line in the industry. Handheld laser scanners are a fundamental element of that strategy. As holder of a bona-fide license from Symbol Technologies for these devices, which we acquired in 1985, Spectra-Physics has every right to participate fully in this product arena. We intend to put an end to Symbol Technologies' unfair practices via the courts.''

Spectra-Physics is a wholly owned subsidiary of Pharos AB, a Swedish conglomerate of high technology companies. Headquartered in Eugene, Spectra-Physics employs approximately 700 people and has offices throughout the United States, Europe and Pacific Rim. It manufactures and markets laser barcode readers to a variety of customers, such as retailers, manufacturers, etc., who use automated barcode data entry.

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CUPERTINO, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Tandem Computers Inc. (NYSE:TDM) Thursday announced that preliminary results for the fourth fiscal quarter, ended Sept. 30, indicate that the company will report record revenues for the quarter.

Revenue growth for fiscal 1990 is expected to approximate 13 percent to 14 percent compared with fiscal 1989. The company plans to report final results the week of Oct. 22.

''Preliminary revenue results indicate it was a good quarter,'' James G. Treybig, president and chief executive officer, said. ''Revenues will be consistent with the more favorable scenario we painted for Wall Street on Sept. 10, 1990, when we commented on the unpredictable economic environment.

''After a number of competitors announced new products our close rate accelerated, especially in the United States and United Kingdom. The Far East continues to record strong growth.

''Sales of NonStop Cyclone processors, which have been doing well throughout the year, increased substantially in the fourth quarter over the third, reflecting the continued success of this powerful new system,'' Treybig added.

''We won a significant number of high value deals in competitive situations in large accounts. Tandem's telecommunications business had an outstanding quarter and our Ungermann-Bass subsidiary also did very well.

''Our historical pattern is that either the first or second quarter of our fiscal year usually generates less revenue than the fourth quarter of the previous year,'' Treybig said.

''Tandem is maintaining a conservative approach to budgeting in light of the current economic environment and will tighten cost control measures adopted during the last six months by instituting additional measures in 1991.

''We are working hard to overcome reduced capital spending in the banking industry in certain countries by strengthening our product offerings in other industries and developing new banking products. We are in a strong product cycle and are confident that Tandem is positioned well for future growth.''

Tandem Computers Inc. manufactures and markets fault tolerant computer systems online transaction processing systems, and enterprise networks. The company is headquartered at 19333 Vallco Parkway, Cupertino, 95014. Telephone is 408/725-6000.

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BOULDER, CO (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Exabyte Corp. (NASDAQ:EXBT) Thursday reported a 96 percent increase in net income for the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Net income for the quarter was $6.1 million, or 29 cents per share, vs. $3.1 million, or 17 cents per share, for the comparable period of 1989. Third quarter revenues increased by 64 percent to $39.2 million from $23.9 million for the same period last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990, the company reported a 142 percent increase in net income to $20.8 million, or 99 cents per share. Net income for the comparable period in the previous year was $8.6 million, or 47 cents per share, including extraordinary gains from the utilization of income tax carryforwards of $1.25 million, or 7 cents

per share. Revenues for the 1990 nine-month period were $126 million, an increase of 119 percent over revenues of $57.4 million for the equivalent period of last year.

Exabyte Corp. develops, manufactures and markets high-capacity 8mm cartridge tape subsystems which are used primarily with workstations, network file servers and minicomputers.

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DALLAS (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - American Telecommunications Corp. (NASDAQ:AMTTF) announced Thursday that it has signed an Agreement in Principle with an Operator Service Provider to acquire the company's entire business base, which will produce a significant increase in ATC's monthly revenues.

This agreement, which involves the assumption of certain debt and other obligations of the company and is still subject to certain other conditions, is expected to be finalized and consummated within one week.

Kerry R. Fox, ATC's president, noted that this substantial addition to the company's present business base of major hotels throughout the United States will greatly benefit the company's long range growth and profitability objectives.

At the same time, Fox announced that he and a group of other investors had acquired for cash the entire 2.5 million shares of 7 percent cumulative preferred stock of the corporation's Texas subsidiary from United Artists Telecommunications II Inc. A Form 8-K covering this transaction has been filed with the SEC.

The company further reported that it held an Extraordinary General Meeting on Oct. 2, 1990 in Vancouver, British Columbia at which time shareholder approval was obtained for (a) a one for three reverse split of the common stock of the parent corporation; (b) an increase in the authorized capital of the company by the creation of 5 million Class ''A'' Preference shares with a par value of 1 cent each; and (c) the approval of the first step of the company's plan to redomicile the parent corporation from British Columbia to Delaware.

American Telecommunications Corp. provides telecommunications management services to hotels and motels throughout the Continental United States, including a full line of long distance services, operator and billing services and the installation and maintenance of specialized call accounting equipment.

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BOSTON (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Zilactol (the liquid form of Zilactin) was introduced Thursday at the American Dental Association Annual Meeting in Boston.

Zilactol treats cold sores and fever blisters often before they break out.

According to oral pathologist and dental oncologist Dr. Brad Rodu, who conducted in-vitro studies on Zilactol at the University of Alabama School of Dentistry... ''We are excited about what we've seen Zilactol do.'' Dr. Rodu has conducted extensive clinical and in-vitro research on the Zila line of products.

With 98 million cases of recurrent herpes labialis occurring every year, dentists are constantly asked for cold sore/fever blister help. The virus resides in latent form in the nerve ganglia near the spinal column, were its reactivation -- by stress, diet or any number of other stimuli - results in a blister-like eruption that typically lasts from 7 - 14 days.

Zila first made an impact on this widespread problem with its medicated gel, Zilactin, now widely prescribed by dentists and recommended by pharmacists. In an extensive, uncontrolled study, dentists found rapid and prolonged pain relief with Zilactin plus a speedy resolution of the lesion(s). Zilactol, a non film-former, contains the same effective ingredient as Zilactin.

Zilactol is now being shipped to wholesalers and major drug store chains nationwide. It joins a growing family of non-prescription oral health care products from Zila Pharmaceuticals. The three gels are all based on the patented Zila bioadhesive technology which permits the medication to tenaciously adhere to moist tissue, even in the mouth, for hours. Zila products include:

Zilactin Medicated Gel - the original medicated gel for canker sores, fever blisters and cold sores (Drug Topics magazine, August 1990, reported that pharmacists have made Zilactin one of the most frequently recommended canker/cold sore remedies).

ZilaBrace Oral Analgesic Gel - for cuts and sores caused by braces and other dental appliances.

ZilaDent Oral Analgesic Gel - for sores and irritations caused by dentures.

At September's annual meeting of the National Association of Covnenience Stores in Dallas, Zila introduced a new Zilactin MiniPak for distribution in

convenience stores, airline terminal shops, resorts, hotels and other HBA convenience outlets.

Bausch & Lomb Inc., earlier this year announced it will market Zila oral health products worldwide outside of the United States. Canadian sales are expected to begin in December.

Zila product sales have surged from $166,000 in 1986 to $3.5 million in fiscal year 1990 (July 31). Zila stock is traded on the NASDAQ market (symbol:ZILA).

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BENTONVILLE, AR (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Wal-Mart Stores Inc. (NYSE,PSE:WMT) Thursday reported net retail sales for the month of September of $2,461,000,000, an increase of 24 percent from sales of $1,981,000,000 in the same period a year earlier.

For the eight months ended Sept. 30 sales increased 26 percent to $19,514,000,000 from $15,516,000,000 for the same period a year ago.

Same store sales increased 9 percent for the month of September and 11 percent for the eight months ended Sept. 30.

The company had 1,470 Wal-Mart stores (includes five Supercenter stores), 136 Sam's clubs and four Hypermart USA units in operation at Sept. 30 compared with 1,326 Wal-Mart stores (includes three Supercenter stores), 110 Sam's Wholesale clubs, 14 dot Discount Drug stores and three Hypermart USA units a year ago.

Wal-Mart operates in a 32-state trade area and its securities are listed on the New York and Pacific stock exchanges.

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INFO '90, NY (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - On-Line Software International Inc. Thursday introduced AD/VANCE DataModeler, the first in On-Line Software's planned series of new CASE tools to enhance IBM's AD/Cycle,

The AD/VANCE DataModeler, a database design and administration facilitator, brings automated structured techniques to the mainframe and provides a low risk, cost effective path to IBM's AD/Cycle. AD/VANCE DataModeler was developed in conjunction with Tata Consultancy Services (TCS).

AD/VANCE DataModeler is designed to provide a low cost, low risk path to IBM's AD/Cycle. Using AD/VANCE DataModeler in conjunction with PC CASE tools can help achieve corporate benefits with CASE. Developers can centrally store and share models produced with AD/Cycle compliant PC CASE tools such as those produced by Knowledgeware's Information Engineering Workbench (IEW) product. In this way, users can share the benefits of CASE throughout the corporation. AD/VANCE DataModeler can validate, display, and maintain IEW data models. In addition, it helps maintain model integrity with check-in, check-out facilities and reference number based import/export facilities.

AD/VANCE DataModeler's sophisticated Entity-Relationship (ER) Diagram Facility automates ER diagramming, allowing designers to define data entities, attributes and their specific properties and relationships. ER model information can be created and maintained graphically or by using ISPF panels. The AD/VANCE DataModeler stores modeling information in its own DB2-based ''data store'', and will offer a real time Repository Manager interface in 1991.

Since AD/VANCE DataModeler is mainframe-based, data is stored in a central location, providing central control and security. Data integrity is insured through the timestamping facility which avoids concurrent updates. AD/VANCE DataModeler provides a Domain Assignment Facility that establishes and enforces corporate data standards. A ''starter set'' of commonly used data standards is provided. These standards and models can then be easily disseminated to multiple users through the existing mainframe terminal network regardless of terminal type since model simulation is possible on non-graphic type terminals. No user retraining is needed since SAA-CUA compliant TSO/ISPF menus are utilized.

The AD/VANCE DataModeler's Expert Model Validation Facilities automate the model review and quality assurance process. Model validation functions check for completeness and correctness of models, and validate model structure against the rules of key-based modeling. The diagnostic reports generated highlight inconsistencies and errors to ensure that quality data bases can be built from the corrected data model. These facilities provide ''powertools'' for data administrators and data planners who are often inundated with model quality assurance work.

AD/VANCE DataModeler is a cost-effective, low risk approach to AD/Cycle because it utilizes existing mainframe hardware and workstations and provides multi-user access.

AD/VANCE DataModeler installs in under an hour, and it is available for $31,500 for the IBM Processor Group 50.

Headquartered in Bombay, India, TCS is part of the Tata Group of Companies, a $4 billion corporation. TCS has developed software solutions and products on a variety of platforms over the last 22 years, including products in the CASE area. TCS provides services to major corporations worldwide, with established offices in the United States, United Kingdom, Europe, Australia, Far East and the Middle East.

On-Line Software International Inc. is a NYSE listed company (OSI) headquartered in Fort Lee. The 21 year old firm combines consulting and educational services with CICS, DB2, CASE, and development systems products that enhance the productivity of IBM computer systems users.

As a Charter Vendor Member of the International DB2 Users Group and a Founding Member of R/AD, the International User Group for Repository and AD/Cycle, On-Line Software supports the IBM user community. With 16 domestic and international offices, On-Line Software's distribution network services over 30 countries. The company is an IBM Business Partner that has products and professional services utilized by all Fortune 100 IBM mainframe sites.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Equity Oil Co. (NASDAQ:EQTY) Thursday reported 1990 third quarter net income of $1,011,773, or 8 cents per share, compared to $441,254 or 4 cents per share for the comparable period in 1989.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $4,609,785, up 20 percent from $3,832,359 in 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $618,570 or 5 cents per share compared to $1,042,427 or 9 cents per share in the same period of 1989. Total revenue for the nine month period was $12,994,811, a 16 percent increase from the $11,236,800 in revenues recorded in the same period of 1989.

As previously disclosed, Equity Oil's 1990 nine month's net income includes two unusual non-cash charges taken in the second quarter of this year - a charge of $1,960,000 resulting from the abandonment of two wells in Pecos County, Texas; and a charge to Leasehold Abandonments of $336,000. The second quarter abandonments were one-time non-cash charges and will result in no loss of future net revenue.

The company's Cemetery Ridge Prospect, located in Goliad County, Texas, consists of 6,800 acres in which the company has a 37.33 percent working interest. Through the first nine months of 1990, the first three wells had cumulative net production of 390,508 MCF. A fourth well was completed and was prepared to be placed on production in the fourth quarter. It is anticipated that the gross production from the four wells will approximate 5200 MCF per day during the fourth quarter of 1990.

The company anticipates the drilling of two additional wells on the prospect in the fourth quarter of 1990 and present plans call for the drilling of additional wells in 1991 to further evaluate the Cemetery Ridge acreage. The drilling will be done on a well-by-well basis, using the results of prior drilling to select the drill site for subsequent wells. The full extent of the reserves and production potential can only be assessed after the completion of the drilling program.

Equity Oil Co., headquartered in Salt Lake City, is an independent oil and gas exploration and development company with operations in nine western states and Canada. In 1989, Equity Oil ranked as the 32nd largest U.S. independent based on proved reserves.

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NEW HAVEN, CT (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - SNET announced that it expects that the company's third quarter net income will be reduced by approximately $25 million.

SNET is finalizing and will release its earnings figures, as scheduled, on October 18.

The principal reasons for the earnings reduction are: first, a writedown of accounts receivable and an increase in the reserve for uncollectible accounts, due in part to the weak Connecticut economy; and second, expenses associated with the refinancing of high-coupon debt. The refinancing will serve to reduce annual interest expense. The company will not be proposing any change in its rate request before the Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control as a result of this earnings reduction.

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BURLINGAME, CA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Microelectronics Thursday announced a new high-performance digital signal processor architecture that will give personal computers and workstations multiple new capabilities such as speech and music processing, speech recognition, graphics, and modem functions.

AT&T said at Microprocessor Forum West that its AT&T WE (R) DSP3210 digital signal processor is the world's first DSP being designed expressly for PC and workstation multimedia applications. It will enable designers of such systems to add multimedia capability directly on motherboards.

Based on the very successful DSP32C, the DSP3210 is designed to interface directly with microprocessor primary busses. It is compatible with both Intel's and Motorola's 32-bit microprocessor bus protocols.

Besides being microprocessor bus-compatible, the DSP3210 directly supports request/relinquish/retry and bus error protocols enabling the DSP3210 to operate as a bus master. Bus mastering greatly increases multimedia system performance by allowing the DSP3210 and the host microprocessor to pass and share data.

Bus mastering also minimizes system implementation costs by allowing the DSP3210 to share existing system resources.

In addition to an optimizing C compiler and assembly-language support tools, the DSP3210 features a new real-time operating system, VCOS, for multitasking and multiprocessing. Patented task- and code-management functions enable the DSP3210 to share host system memory without need for expensive dedicated SRAM.

Complete real-time debugging tools enable fast application and algorithm development. By separating application development from algorithm development VCOS simplifies and hastens creation of multimedia software.

Design support includes a full bus-level SmartModel (a) of the DSP3210 from Logic Automation for system simulation incorporating the DSP3210. Other development support is being planned by third-party vendors of hardware and software.

Since the DSP3210 is code-compatible with AT&T's DSP32C, developers can begin code development for the DSP3210 now with the DSP32C tools. The DSP3210 software development tools will be available in the first quarter of 1991.

Samples of the DSP3210 are expected to be available in June 1991, and production is forecast to begin in the fourth quarter 1991. The price of the DSP3210 is expected to be less than $50 in quantities of 100,000 in the first quarter of 1992.

Advanced product information is available by calling 1-800-372-2447 (in Canada 1-800-553-2448); or by writing to AT&T Microelectronics, Dept. 52AL300240, 555 Union Blvd., Allentown, Pa., 18103.

AT&T Microelectronics offers a full line of high-performance components and electronic subsystems to original equipment manufacturers.

Included in the product line are analog components, application specific integrated circuits, communication devices, speech processors, memory circuits components and linear arrays, interconnect products, lightwave products, and a full line of power supplies. (a) SmartModel is a registered mark of Logic Automation Inc.

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DALLAS (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Oil Largeau Chad Ltd. (Sun) a subsidiary of Sun Co. Inc. (NYSE:SUN) and Hunt International Petroleum Co. Ltd. (HIPCO-Tchad) have entered into an agreement to explore a 62 million acre concession in the African Republic of Tchad.

Approval in principle of the joint venture by Tchad's Oil Minister Mahamat Senoussi Khatir was confirmed Thursday.

Tchad is located south of Libya in north-central Africa and the license area is situated south of the Tibesti mountains and north east of Lake Tchad.

HIPCO-Tchad originally obtained the rights to the large license area in 1988 and had done some initial surface geology and gravity work in the area. In October 1989 HIPCO-Tchad opened an office in N'Djamena, the capital of Tchad, and has maintained the office since that time.

Under a HIPCO-Sun agreement Sun will acquire a 50 percent working interest and will become the operator. During the next 18 months Sun will obtain about 800 kilometers of seismic data across the license area.

''We are excited about the prospect of exploring this frontier area with such an experienced and knowledgeable partner,'' commented HIPCO-Tchad's President Jim McGowen from his Dallas office. ''We think this area has an excellent potential for giant reserves.''

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The Neiman Marcus Group Inc. (NYSE: NMG) Thursday reported the following preliminary revenues:

	5 weeks ended Oct. 6, 1990-(a)	Oct. 7, 1990-(b)	% Chg.
Total Revenues	$ 165.8 million	$ 158.3 million	+ 4.7 %
Comparable Revenues	$ 153.5 million	158.3 million	- 3.0 %

	9 weeks ended Oct. 6, 1990-(a)	Oct. 7, 1990-(b)	% Chg.
Total Revenues	$ 289.9 million	$ 277.7 million	+ 4.4 %
Comparable Revenues	$ 271.2 million	$ 277.7 million	- 2.3 %

(a) Fiscal year ends Aug. 3, 1991

(b) For comparative purposes, prior year periods have been restated to conform to current year calendar periods.

The Neiman Marcus Group is a leading specialty retailer. Its three divisions are Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman, and Contempo Casuals.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - BJ Services Co. (NYSE:BJS) has officially announced the availability of a newly developed fracturing fluid system for well stimulation employing sea water.

This method eliminates the necessity of costly fresh water which has, up to now, been the limiting factor of the number and volume of hydraulic fracturing operations on the North Slope.

BJ Services has successfully applied this technique on several wells for British Petroleum Alaska with positive results. A recent treatment of this type consisted of 83,000 gallons of sea water based fluid and 140,000 pounds of propping agent.

In addition to its availability and low cost, sea water has inherent

properties which renders it compatible with formation fluids and water sensitive reservoir minerals. This advanced fluid is designed to accomodate the salinity variations which normally occur in Beaufort Sea water due to seasonal changes.

BJ Services Co. is a leading participant in the pressure pumping business serving the petroleum industry worldwide. Principal services include cementing and stimulation work for oil and gas wells.

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ANSONIA, Conn. (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Great Country Bank (NASDAQ:GCBK) announced Thursday that it increased its provision for loan losses in its first quarter by $1,150,000.

This action taken in response to the persistent depression in the real estate economy increased reserves to 60 percent of nonperforming loans. In so doing, the company reported a loss of $908,000 for the quarter, or 41 cents per share.

Frederick J. Quinn, president and chief executive officer explained, ''We are working diligently to reduce the negative impact of nonperforming assets on the earnings of the bank.

''Our greatest obstacle in resolving many of our nonperforming assets is the increasingly protracted legal processes. Wherever possible we have tried to resolve issues outside the courts, but the growing phenomenon of bankruptcies has created a legal web entrapping many debtors and creditors.''

He continued, ''these circumstances have caused a considerable rise in expenses pertaining to loan workouts.'' He noted, ''In the first quarter of this year we incurred $467,000 in other real estate expenses compared to $94,000 in the first quarter of last year.

''Additionally, expenses related to the bank's restructuring of its benefit programs and severance pay related to staff reductions have caused a substantial fluctuation in other expenses for the first quarter.''

Commenting on the recent performance of the bank's common stock, Quinn stated, ''It is distressing that the marketplace has indiscriminately battered the market prices of New England Bank stocks. It's inconceivable that an institution with a book value of over $22.00 per share trades at less than $4.00.''

As of Aug. 31, Great Country Bank had nonperforming loans totaling $9,461,000,

or 2.6 percent of the bank's total loan portfolio. Nonperforming assets, including nonperforming loans, other real estate owned and the bank's direct investment in real estate totaled $32,082,000, or 7.3 percent of assets.

Total assets as of that date were $437,035,000, and the shareholders' equity amounted to $48,548,000. Great Country Bank's primary capital ratio was 11.1 percent as of Aug. 31, more than twice the minimum amount required.

Great Country Bank
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989	Percent Change
Operating Data:			
Interest income	9,943	10,289	-3.4 pct.
Interest expense	7,160	6,900	3.8
Net interest income	2,783	3,389	-17.9
Provision for loan losses	1,150	7,210	-84.0
Other income	379	330	14.8
Net securities gains	0	38	-100.0
Other expenses	3,337	2,640	26.4
Income taxes	(417)	(2,071)	-79.9
Net income	$ (908)	$ (4,021)	-77.4
Selected Statistical Data(a):			
Book value per share	$ 22.13	$ 25.21	-12.2
Earnings per share	$ (0.41)	$ (1.83)	-77.6
Return on average assets(b)	-0.70 pct.	-3.76 pct.	-81.4
Return on average shareholders' equity(b)	-6.28 pct.	-26.49 pct.	-76.3
Average capital to average assets	11.18 pct.	14.21 pct.	-21.3
Net interest spread(b)	2.03 pct.	2.21 pct.	- 8.1
Net interest margin(b)	2.70 pct.	3.31 pct.	-18.4 T

(a) Selected statistical data is presented for the three months' period ending Aug. 31, 1990 and Aug. 31, 1989. (b) Annualized.

Financial Condition and Other Data:

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989	Percent Change
Total assets	$ 437,035	$425,310	2.8 pct.
Total loans (net)	362,853	369,053	-1.7
Investments	27,298	30,775	-11.3
Federal funds sold	0	3,000	-100.0
Deposits	339,930	334,073	-1.8
FHLB borrowings	43,329	30,300	43.0
Loans past due 90 days and still accruing	1,593	6,900	-76.9

Loans on nonaccrual	7,868	16,500	-52.3
Nonperforming loans	9,461	23,400	-59.6
Reserve for loan losses	5,756	8,239	-30.1
Other real estate owned	22,621	0	100.0 T

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Infodata Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:INFD) Thursday announced that it has been awarded an $800,000 contract with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, to provide text management software systems, as well as training and support.

Infodata will be providing the FBI with multiple copies of its INQUIRE/Text system for use with IBM mainframes. The FBI has also licensed Infodata's new INQUIRE/Workstation and Folio VIEWSTM, companion products for personal computers.

This contract began contributing to revenues during the third quarter of fiscal 1990 which ended September 30, 1990.

Alan Curtis, Federal District Sales Manager for Infodata, commented, ''We are pleased to be doing business with the FBI. Using INQUIRE/Text, the FBI plans to automate several document-centered applications, including online access to FBI's internal policies, procedures and regulations. The system will be installed at FBI headquarters and two regional data centers.''

Infodata Systems Inc. is a leading supplier of text and image management software and services. The INQUIRE/Text product line is widely used by Fortune 1000 companies, utilities, and government agencies for automating document-centered applications such as litigation support, records management, regulatory compliance, and business and government intelligence.

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INWOOD, N.Y. (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Choice Drug Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ:DOSE (common stock), DOSEW (warrants), DOSEU (units); Boston Stock Exchange:CD) Thursday announced unaudited results for the second quarter and six months ended August 31, 1990.

Revenues for the three months ended August 31, 1990 rose 21% to $5,880,222 from $4,844,411 in the prior year's second quarter. Income from operations increased to $276,553 from $142,016 in last year's second quarter.

Net income increased substantially to $193,402 or $.04 per share (which includes extraordinary income of $66,000 or $.01 per share) up from $854 or less than $.01 per share in the corresponding period last year.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991 revenues were $11,587,502, up 20% from $9,630,536, in the first half of the prior fiscal year. Income from operations was $473,230 versus $319,061 in the first six months of fiscal 1991. Net income increased over 270% to $305,639 or $.07 per share (which includes extraordinary income of $102,000 or $.02 per share) up from $82,072 or $.02 per share (which includes extraordinary income of $21,000 or $.01 per share) in the first half of last year.

As at August 31, 1990, the Company was in technical default in minor amounts of certain financial and ratio covenants under the terms of its Loan Agreement with United Jersey Bank. However, the bank waived the defaults which existed at August 31, 1990 on October 9, 1990.

Marvin Sirota, Chairman of Choice Drug, commented, ''Revenue growth in the first half of fiscal 1991 was mainly due to the acquisition of Sterling Health Systems, Inc. on October 31, 1989, the increase in the Company's customer base through the purchase of certain assets of World Medical & Surgical Corp., and sales of additional product lines to new and existing customers. Despite start-up costs relating to a recently formed subsidiary, Choice Drug achieved record results in the first half of this year.''

In a separate development, Choice Drug also announced that it has terminated the services of M.H. Meyerson & Co., Inc. of Jersey City, New Jersey to act as its investment banker with regard to acquisitions, mergers and financing alternatives.

Choice Drug Systems, Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiaries provide pharmaceuticals, durable medical equipment and disposables to health care facilities, home health care providers, and physician groups primarily in the greater New York/New Jersey Metropolitan area and in Massachusetts and Connecticut.

CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended August 31,	
	1990	1989
Sales	$5,880,222	$4,844,411
Income from operations	276,553	142,016
Income before income taxes and extraordinary item	193,402	854
Income taxes	(66,000)	0
Income before extraordinary item	127,402	854
Extraordinary item (1)	66,000	0
Net income	$ 193,402	$ 854
Income per share:		
Before extraordinary item	$.03	$(a)
Net income per share	$.04	$(a)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,470,211	4,314,750 T

(a) Less than $.01. (1) Utilization of operating loss carryforward

CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended August 31,	
	1990	1989
Sales	$11,587,502	$9,630,536
Income from operations	473,230	319,061
Income before income taxes and extraordinary item	305,639	82,072
Income taxes	(102,000)	(21,000)
Income before extraordinary item	203,639	61,072
Extraordinary item (1)	102,000	21,000
Net income	$ 305,639	$ 82,072
Income per share:		
Before extraordinary item	$.05	$.01
Net income per share	$.07	$.02
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,470,211	4,314,750 T

(1) Utilization of operating loss carryforward

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - California Jamar Inc. (NASDAQ:JMAR)

(BOSTON STOCK EXCHANGE:JMR) announced Thursday that it has received notice of a contract award from the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) for a technology program to study the company's advanced excimer laser plasma x-ray source which is currently under development for semiconductor industry lithography applications.

''This program will utilize the results of our proprietary company program which employs pioneering approaches to converting the output of our Advanced Compact Excimer Laser (ACEL) into the type of x-rays needed to manufacture future semiconductor chips,'' Dr. James A. Glaze, president, explained.

Hundreds of millions of dollars are being spent in a worldwide race to develop advanced lithography sources to enable the semiconductor industry to manufacture higher density integrated circuits needed for advanced electronic systems of the future.

Much of that investment is directed toward the development of very expensive and complex synchrotron x-ray sources. Jamar's laser-driven point sources promise to provide the semiconductor industry with a more flexible cost effective alternative way to manufacture advanced chips.

In addition, Jamar is currently working on programs to evaluate the feasibility of using its ACEL system for remote detection of illegal/dangerous substances such as narcotics, as well as for a variety of military targets.

California Jamar Inc,. specialized in the development of advanced laser systems for a range of industrial and military applications including optical communications, remote detection and x-ray lithography for semiconductor manufacturing.

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DALLAS (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Commercial Metals Co. (NYSE: CMC) announced that it has been awarded the contract for the City of Dallas Household Recyclable Material Collection Pilot Program.

The pilot program, to include 14,000 Dallas households, will provide convenient residential collection of recyclable materials. In addition to the once a week residential pick-up, CMC Recycling will be responsible for processing and sales of the aluminum and steel cans, glass, newsprint, and plastics such as milk jugs and soda bottles.

Stanley A. Rabin, president and chief executive officer, commented that although the Dallas Pilot Program is a small beginning the company believes citizens throughout Texas are ready to support increased recycling efforts.

Rabin stated, ''It is appropriate that CMC, a Dallas based company with 75 years of recycling history, be the leader in encouraging household recycling in this area. For many years we have been a major recycler of metals throughout the southern half of the United States and particularly in Texas.''

Rabin said the company is excited about developments in municipal, household and non-traditional recycling. ''CMC Recycling will be an active participant. We are studying plans for a major multi-materials recycling facility, the first of its kind in the Dallas/Fort Worth area.

''This initial City of Dallas program will give us a base to add other creative sources of recyclable materials, including programs being considered by area municipalities, industries and groups of concerned citizens. Our goal is to be the major multi-materials recycler in the area.''

Commercial Metals Co. was founded in Dallas 75 years ago as a scrap metal recycling company. In addition to 37 recycling facilities, it has three steel minimills, steel fabrication shops, a copper tube plant, and world-wide trading in various minerals, metals, steel and semi-fabricated, nonferrous metal.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas Industries Inc. (NYSE:TII) reported a decline in third quarter earnings in the face of continued deterioration in North American residential and non-residential construction markets, as well as a softening economy.

For the three months ended September 30, Thomas' net income totaled $3,101,000 ($.30 per share), down $826,000 or 21 percent from the same quarter l989, when net income was $3,927,000 ($ .39 per share).

Net sales were off a modest 2.7 percent for the third quarter 1990, totaling $116,953,000 compared to $120,147,000 for the identical period in l989. Operating income also declined, down 13.0 percent from $11,749,000 in the third quarter 1989 to $10,222,000 for the current quarter.

Net sales for the nine months ended September 30, l990, rose to a record $353,449,000, up 10.4 percent from $320,133,000 for the first nine months in

l989. Operating income for the nine month period ended September 30, l990, was $30,716,000, down slightly from $31,407,000 for the same period in l989 due to competitive margin pressures. Net income declined for the nine month period, down 29.3 percent from $13,592,000 in l989 to $9,607,000 in l990. Earnings per share for the first nine months ended September 30 were $.94, as compared to $1.13 for the same period 1989 when adjusted for non-recurring gains.

Thomas Industries Inc. designs, manufactures and markets a broad array of commercial, industrial and residential lighting products, fractional horsepower compressors and vacuum pumps, as well as specialty products for commercial, industrial and consumer markets. Thomas, with worldwide sales last year in excess of $436 million, has operations in the U.S., Canada, Europe and Asia.

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BOSTON (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Keane Inc. (AMEX:KEA) reported earnings and revenues Thursday for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues increased to $23,214,000, up 19 percent; pretax income rose to $2,350,000, up 54 percent and net income increased to $1,376,000 up 53 percent vs. $899,000 during the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share rose to $.29 per share (on 4,756,886) as compared to $.23(a) per share (on 3,885,303 shares) a year ago.

For the first nine months of the year, Keane's revenues were $69,811,000 vs. $53,552,000 last year. Pretax income was $6,619,000 as compared to $4,421,000 in 1989, and net income was $3,864,000, up 48 percent as compared to $2,609,000 last year. Earnings per share for the nine month period was $.85 per share (on 4,570,841 shares) vs. $.67(a) per share (on 3,871,500 shares) a year ago.

The increase in revenues and net income is due to the continuing strong demand for custom software development services, and Keane's strategy to differentiate itself through its project management expertise.

Keane Inc. is a $95M custom software development company which designs, develops, integrates and maintains software for corporations and hospitals.

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COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) Thursday denied several requests to reconsider its decision in the last Ohio Edison rate case.

The Office of Consumers' Counsel, North Star Steel, Industrial Energy Consumers, RMI Co. and Ohio Edison had asked the commission to reconsider its Aug. 16 decision in which the commission granted Ohio Edison a rate increase of approximately $142,376,000, rejecting the company's request for an approximate $216 million increase.

In making rulings in rate cases, the commission is required by law to authorize rates which are fair and reasonable to customers, while at the same time, allowing the company the opportunity to meet expenses, pay interest on debts, and provide a reasonable return to stockholders. Intervenors, or formal parties, dissatisfied with the PUCO decision may request that the commission rehear, or reconsider, its ruling.

The typical Ohio Edison residential customer using 500 kwh per month, paid approximately $57.23 per month for electric service prior to the Aug. 16 ruling. The typical customer now pays $60.59. Today's ruling on rehearing does not affect customer rates.

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DAYTON, OH (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Amcast Industrial Corp. (NYSE:AIZ) reported Thursday that, for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, the company posted a loss of $13.4 million or $1.97 per share which includes a previously announced special provision of $16.6 million or $2.44 per share.

Sales were $274.3 million. Last year, net income was $8 million or $1.12 per share on sales of $329.5 million.

For the fourth quarter, including the provision which amounted to $2.48 per share, Amcast generated a loss of $15.5 million or $2.32 per share on sales of $73.8 million. In the year earlier three-month period, earnings were $2.5 million or 35 cents per share on sales of $80.7 million.

L.W. Ladehoff, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said that operating profits were generated in each quarter, but overall earnings were significantly below expectations. He cited several factors that attributed to the year's lower sales and earnings: a three-month strike at the company's largest plant, a decline in car build last winter, the credit crunch that

reduced housing starts, and a cold, wet spring which devastated the air conditioning business. The divestiture of three iron plants early during the year also impacted sales.

Amcast Industrial Corp. is a manufacturer of technology-intensive metal products. Its two primary businesses are proprietary FLOW CONTROL PRODUCTS marketed through national distribution channels, and ENGINEERED COMPONENTS for original equipment manufacturers. The company serves four major sectors of the economy: aerospace/aviation/defense, construction, automotive and general industry.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Asia Pacific Fund Inc. Monthly Review - October 1990

INVESTMENT REVIEW

This was a difficult month for markets worldwide and the markets of the Asia Pacific region proved no exception. Greatest falls were experienced in the most liquid markets of Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore. These less liquid markets were hit by waves of institutional sales, particularly from open-ended mutual funds which were raising cash to meet redemptions. The markets of the region are now on very appealing valuations. Singapore and Malaysia are trading at the low end of their ten year valuation range, and Hong Kong is trading on valuations that have only been lower in times of local crisis of confidence. However, despite these attractive valuations, the markets of the region remain susceptible to external events, particularly the Gulf conflict. Until the world political scene is clearer, it is unlikely that the value in the Asia Pacific markets will be realised. The managers continue to focus on value, and have built a reserve of cash with a view to picking up equity at distress prices.

COUNTRY ALLOCATION

	September 30	August 31	July 31
Hong Kong	26.7 %	24.2 %	24.4 %
Thailand	24.4 %	25.0 %	25.7 %
Malaysia	20.3 %	21.65 %	19.6 %
Singapore	19.2 %	20.2 %	20.0 %
Korea	8.0 %	7.8 %	8.4 %
Philippines	1.4 %	1.2 %	1.9 %
Taiwan	0	0	0

Month-End Results

	September 30	August 31	July 31
NAV per Share	$ 11.57	$ 14.32	$ 17.34
Closing Price	$ 10.00	$ 11.88	$ 15.25
Premium/(Discount)	(13.6%)	(17.0%)	(12.1%)

NAV (Total Return) and Price Performance as at end of August

	NAV	Share Price
Last 3 months	-28.9%	-27.3%
Last 6 months	-22.1%	-28.0%
Last 9 months	-22.5%	-43.7%
Last 12 months	-15.3%	-36.5%

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MANCHESTER, NH (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of New Hampshire Corp. Thursday reported a third quarter loss of $4.0 million versus net income of $1.9 million during the same period of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 the company's net loss was $10.0 million, compared to net income of $6.5 million a year ago.

Davis P. Thurber, chairman, stated that: ''The losses are principally attributable to increased levels of loan loss provision (up $24.1 and $8.4 million, respectively, over the comparable nine and three month periods of 1989) and also are reflective of the continuing slowdown in the overall economy.''

He additionally noted that, as a result of the increased provisions, the allowance for possible loan losses now stands at $20.0 million up from $6.2 million a year ago and represents over 100 percent coverage of nonaccrual loans, and approximately 58 percent coverage of all nonperforming assets (''nonaccrual loans'' and ''other real estate owned'').

Total assets were $974 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of $33 million over Sept. 30, 1989, total deposits increased $24 million to $837 million and the company's total equity capital position, at $57.5 million, remained strong as evidenced by a primary capital ratio of 7.80 percent, well in excess of the current regulatory requirement of 5.50 percent.

Bank of New Hampshire Corp., headquartered in Manchester, is a five-bank holding company. There are 28 offices of the affiliates in 16 different communities throughout the southern, central, coastal and lakes regions of the

state.

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SPRING HILL, TN (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Saturn officially launched its new family of small cars here Thursday by sending its first truckloads of vehicles from Tennessee to Saturn retailers in California.

Saturn President Richard G. ''Skip'' LeFauve said the cars will go on sale in key markets in California, the south and southeastern United States on Thursday, Oct. 25.

''We're seeing a tremendous amount of consumer interest already and have received more than 14,000 calls on Saturn's toll-free '800' number since we put it in operation five weeks ago. The callers are leaving their names and seeking additional information which will be followed up by our retail partners,'' LeFauve said. ''Saturn is committed to providing our customers with high quality cars that will match the best of the imports and assure a superior ownership experience.''

Tennessee Governor Ned McWherter told the gathering of some 500 community leaders and news media that ''Today marks a significant event for American workers. Saturn today launches a line of quality automobiles that proudly bear the 'Made in Tennessee - Made in U.S.A.' label.''

The governor then drove with LeFauve in a Saturn sports touring sedan from the ''Inspiration Point'' final shipping area to a car carrier, where it was loaded and dispatched to California.

Commenting on the Saturn team members' enthusiasm, UAW Region 8 Assistant Director Bobby Lee Thompson said,

Last week, Saturn announced the manufacturer's suggested retail prices for its vehicles, including the sports sedan (SL), $7,995; sports sedan (SL1), $8,595; sports touring sedan (SL2), $10,295; and sports coupe (SC), $11,775.

Saturn retailers will have more than 30 facilities in operation at launch, building to more than 130 facilities by mid-1991.

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PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Willamette Industries Inc. (OTC: WMTT) has reported third quarter earnings of $31,274,000, or $1.24 per share.

These results were down 28 percent from second quarter 1990 earnings and down 40 percent from record profits earned during the third quarter of 1989.

Third quarter results brought the year-to-date net to $117,324,000, or $4.62 per share, down 16 percent from the same period last year.

Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $1,445,157,000, up 2 percent.

William Swindells, Willamette's president and chief executive officer, said that operations at the company's manufacturing facilities were excellent during the third quarter, with almost all facilities operating at capacity. Lower prices in most product lines accounted for reduced sales and most of the reduced profits. Prices for unbleached paper products, linerboard and fine paper show signs of strength moving into the fourth quarter, Swindells said.

Willamette Industries is an integrated forest products company with 72 plants and over 1 million acres of timberland.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Sears Merchandise Group Thursday reported that its gross revenues from continuing operations for the five weeks ended Oct. 6 were 4.2 percent higher than 1989.

Comparable store sales were 4.4 percent above 1989, Sears said. Gross revenues for the period were $3,100,721,291 compared with $2,975,151,747 last year.

For the 35 weeks ended Oct. 6, Sears Merchandise Group reported gross revenues of $21,829,268,578. This was an increase of $632,964,391 or 3.0 percent over revenues of $21,196,304,187 in the same period of 1989.

Sears Merchandise Group	5 Weeks	35 Weeks
1990	$3,100,721,291	$21,829,268,578
1989	2,975,151,747	21,196,304,187
Increase	125,569,544	632,964,391
Percent Change		
From Continuing Operations	4.2	3.0
Comp. Retail Store Change	4.4	3.1

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MELVILLE ANNOUNCES SEPTEMER RETAIL STORE SALES OF $840.17 MILLION

RYE, NY (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Melville Corp., a specialty retailer of apparel, prescription drugs, health and beauty aids, footwear, toys and household furnishings, Thursday reported retail store sales for the fiscal month and 39 week and 6 day periods ended Oct. 6, and the comparable periods last year. Retail store sales for the five weeks ended Oct. 6, were $840,173,000 an increase of 18.8 percent over sales of $706,923,000 for the five week period last year.

Retail store sales for the 39 week and 6 day period ended Oct. 6, increased 11.9 percent to $5,769,670,000 compared to $5,155,481,000 for the comparable period last year.

The reported September sales include the sales of Circus World Toy Stores and Peoples Drug Stores, Incorporated and Subsidiaries (''Peoples'') which were acquired on Aug. 17, and on Sept. 17, respectively. Had the sales of these entities been excluded from consolidated sales as reported, sales would have increased by 8.5 percent and 10.4 percent for the five week and 39 week and 6 day periods ended Oct. 6, respectively.

As of Oct. 6, there were 7,821 stores and leased departments in operation, an increase of 14.5 percent from the 1989 total of 6,831.

Melville specialty retail chains, with stores located across the country, include Marshalls, the off-price brand name apparel chain; Chess King, the young men's apparel chain; Wilsons, in leather apparel; Bob's, the casual family apparel and footwear chain; Accessory Lady, the quality fashion accessory stores; CVS and Peoples, the prescription drugs, health and beauty aids chain; Freddy's, the ''deep discount'' drug and sundries stores; Thom McAn, Fan Club and the Meldisco Leased Department division in footwear; the Kay-Bee toy chain; Linens 'N Things, the brand name linens and domestics chain; This End Up, the casual furniture stores; and Prints Plus, the prints and wall decor stores.

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CHERRY HILL, NJ (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Infotron Systems Corp. appointed

Thomas W. Aiken vice president of finance, chief financial officer (CFO) and treasurer, reporting to James C. Castle, chairman, chief executive officer and president.

Aiken will assume overall responsibility for Infotron's financial activities. The position was previously held by David P. Barnhill, senior vice president of finance and administration and CFO, who will remain with Infotron until the end of the year.

Aiken joined Infotron in 1984 as director, financial accounting. He was appointed treasurer in January 1988. Prior to joining Infotron, Aiken was the director of corporate accounting for the Penn Central Corp. He also held various accounting positions with Ford Aerospace Corp.

Infotron Systems Corp. is an international provider of integrated strategic networks. It supplies the systems and services which turn a company's communications network into a strategic resource by moving information faster, less expensively and more reliably, producing improved results at the customer's bottom line. Infotron serves multi-national banks, manufacturers, government agencies and common carriers through a sales/service infrastructure in 64 countries.

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ALEXANDER CITY, AL (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Russell Corp. (NYSE,PSE:RML) Thursday announced record sales and earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the 13-week period ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $193,789,000 compared with $187,747,000 in the quarter ended Oct. 1, 1989. Net income for the 1990 quarter increased 4 percent to $20,854,000, equivalent to 51 cents per common share versus net income of $20,041,000 or 49 cents per common share a year ago.

Sales for the 39-week period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $519,421,000 compared with $484,105,000 in the like period ended Oct. 1, 1989. Net income for the three quarters of 1990 increased 12 percent to $47,783,000 or $1.17 per common share versus $42,741,000 or $1.05 for the prior year.

Russell Corp. is a vertically integrated, international manufacturer and marketer of leisure apparel, activewear, athletic uniforms, better knit shirts and a comprehensive line of lightweight, yarn-dyed woven fabrics. The company's common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and several regional exchanges under the symbol RML.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Jegeroil Corp. (NASDAQ:JEGR) Thursday announced daily sales of one million cubic feet of natural gas from its Falkner Parker 36-1 well.

The gas now flowing into the Panhandle Eastern interstate pipeline from this well is to be sold on the spot market.

With a projected average sales price of $2.00 mcf. (which will rise in view of the Middle East situation) the sale of gas from the Parker 36-1 well projects an annual gross revenue of $700,000. Life of this well is expected to be 30 years.

The Parker 36-1 was successfully completed July 31, 1990 and was the second well completed on Jegeroil's Falkner Prospect in Woods County, Okla. Production from the first Falkner well, the Pettit 35-1, commenced Decemeber 1989 with sales of 850,000 cubic feet of gas per day. The sales of natural gas from its Pettit and Parker wells have a major impact on the company's growth and will more than double the company's cash flow.

Jegeroil plans to drill three additional wells on its Falkner Prospect at three month intervals. Geological and engineering studies indicate these wells will be as productive as the Pettit 35-1 and the Parker 36-1. The total anticipated annual gross revenue from the Falkner Prospect after completion of all five wells is $2.9 million.

Jegeroil Corp. drills and operates its own wells as well as participating with major oil/gas companies on their prospects. To date Jegeroil operates and has working interests in 15 oil and gas wells and in addition owns high potential producing oil/gas prospects, and plans to convert these prospects into revenues as fast as prudently possible.

Jegeroil with a current undervalued share price offers investors a stock with excellent growth and profit potential.

CONTACT: Jegeroil Corp., New York
Raymond N. Rossi, 212/840-1812

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DALLAS (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - National Heritage Inc. (NYSE:NHR) Thursday reported results for the fiscal fourth quarter and year ended June 30.

For the year ended June 30, 1990, the net loss was $9.7 million or 56 cents per share, vs. net income of $1.3 million or 8 cents per share for fiscal 1989. Revenues rose to $93.8 million from $84.6 million a year earlier.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the net loss was $6.2 million or 36 cents per share, compared with net loss of $1 million or 6 cents per share for the fourth fiscal quarter of 1989. Revenues totalled $19.6 million, versus $21.8 million in the same period a year ago.

Increased revenues for the year were primarily due to the expansion of the company's pharmacy operations. Higher revenues, however, were more than offset by increased operating expenses associated with this expansion and by write-downs of certain assets.

In line with the company's goal of divesting non-core business units, the company has accounted for its pharmacy operations as an asset held for sale. A $2,433,000 charge against earnings was recorded based on the estimated net loss from the pharmacy operations as well as other assets held for sale.

Year-end results were also adversely affected by a pre-tax provision for estimated losses of $9,468,000, most of which was attributable to mortgage loans and advances to limited partnerships for which the company manages nursing homes and retirement centers.

In determining the net realizable value of the mortgage loans and advances, the company estimated the value and cash flow of the related properties which secure the loans using current operating results rather than projecting future results. Notwithstanding the write-downs, the company is actively pursuing available avenues to maximize its recovery on these mortgage loans and advances.

Further affecting year-end results was an operating deficit partially attributable to a significant decrease in the number of homes under management during the last quarter of the year. Since the close of the quarter, the company has taken steps to reduce expenses by consolidating operations to the corporate headquarters in Dallas.

Regional offices have been closed and staffing levels adjusted to bring costs in line with the number of homes under management.

Robert M. Galecke, President, commented, ''Although the results for the year are not favorable, I am confident that the number of homes now under National Heritage's management provides a more stable contract base upon which to rebuild through the addition of third party management and leasing contracts.''

National Heritage Inc. is one of the nation's leading managers of long-term care facilities for the elderly.

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CHATTANOOGA, TN (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Daniel K. Frierson, chairman of the board of Dixie Yarns Inc. (''Dixie''), Thursday announced that Dixie has withdrawn from the previously announced joint venture to invest in Harding Carpets.

The investment was to have been made through a corporation in which Clarus Corp. (''Clarus''), members of Harding's management, and Dixie were to be shareholders. Frierson stated that the transaction was ended due to the failure of the joint venture to obtain acceptable bank financing.

Dixie's business consists of four product categories: specialty yarns, industrial sewing threads, knit fabrics, and carpet and rug yarns. The company manufactures and markets yarns and threads from a variety of natural and man-made fibers and also processes yarns into knit fabrics.

Its products are used in the apparel, carpeting, domestics, drapery and upholstery, hosiery, industrial fabrics, transportation, and other industries.

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Morgan M. Schuessler, 615/698-2501

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LANSING, MI (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - CFSB Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:CFSB), newly-formed holding company of Capitol Federal Savings Bank, Lansing, Thursday reported net income for its third quarter of $578,000, or 36 cents per share.

A net loss of $2,387,000 was recorded for the comparable period in 1989. Per share information is not presented for previous quarters since Capitol Federal converted from mutual to stock form on June 22.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $1,147,000, compared to a net loss of $3,678,000 during the like period in 1989.

Net interest income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $9,004,000 as compared with $7,292,000 during the like period in 1989, an increase of 23 percent. The increase was primarily due to increased interest rate spread and margin. Additions to loan loss reserves during the nine months ended Sept. 30 1990, were $90,000 compared to additions of $1,768,000 during the like period

in 1989.

The significant provision in 1989 was made primarily for certain purchased mortgage loans, totaling $3.5 million, the guarantor of which was taken over by the F.D.I.C. in 1989. In addition, unrealized losses on securities held for sale were recognized during the third quarter of 1989. Substantially all these securities were sold in the fourth quarter of 1989 and first quarter of 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets of CFSB Bancorp Inc. were $505.4 million and stockholders' equity, all tangible, was $30.6 million, or 6.1 percent of total assets. This compares to total assets of $501.8 million and net worth of $18.2 million at Dec. 31, 1989. Capitol Federal Savings Bank meets all fully-phased in regulatory capital requirements.

Capitol Federal Savings Bank, sole subsidiary of CFSB Bancorp Inc., is headquartered in Lansing. Capitol Federal, now in its 100th year, provides retail banking and mortgage lending services to its mid-Michigan customers. The bank's 12 retail branches are located in the three counties comprising the Lansing metropolitan area.

Capitol Federal Savings Bank was a mutual savings bank prior to June 22, therefore, per share information for periods prior to the third quarter 1990 is not presented.

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MCLEAN, VA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. announced Thursday that its Defense Systems unit was awarded a $174.7 million contract by the U.S. Naval Sea Systems Command for upgrade kits to the Mk-92 fire control system for U.S. Navy ships and for several new Mk-92 systems for foreign allies.

The Unisys Mk-92 fire control system is a lightweight, modular system designed to control missile and gun fire aboard small and medium-sized combat ships. Providing both area and point defense, the Mk-92 is used aboard the U.S. Navy's 51 FFG-7 class frigates, as well as on a variety of foreign allied navies' ships.

The fixed-price contract has a basic value of $170.2 million, with a $4.5 million option. Under the terms of the contract, the Shipboard and Ground Systems Group of Unisys Defense Systems will deliver seven coherent receiver/transmitter (CORT) kits to the U.S. Navy for upgrading FFG-7 class frigates from the older Mod 2 configuration to the Mod 6 level.

The contract also calls for the production and delivery of four new systems in the Mod 6 configuration, two for Spain and two for another friendly foreign nation, which requested not to be identified.

The result of tests conducted by the U.S. Navy in April 1989 proved the CORT kits would: double the detection and tracking range of the present system; acquire and hold targets better and improve reaction time; provide a significant improvement in clutter rejection; provide the ability to detect a target cross section many times smaller than the current system; increase the ability to defeat enemy jamming and provide signficantly improved reliability and maintainability.

This contract is the second production order by the U.S. Navy for modification kits. Six kits were ordered previously and are being delivered by Unisys. The first fleet backfit is scheduled for early 1991 aboard the USS Taylor (FFG-50).

The contract calls for the systems to be delivered between 1992 and 1994. Work on the program will be done at Unisys Shipboard and Ground Systems Group facilities in Great Neck and Ronkonkoma, N.Y. and Waterbury, Conn.

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Ed Johnson, 215/986-5367

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PEABODY, MA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Analogic Corp. (NASDAQ:ALOG), a leading manufacturer of high-precision data conversion and signal processing instruments and equipment, announced Thursday the results for the fourth quarter and the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

Revenues for the fourth quarter ended July 31, 1990, were $36,615,000 compared with revenues of $37,825,000 reported for the fourth quarter of the prior fiscal year. Net income for the fourth quarter was $3,190,000, or 22 cents per share, compared with a net income of $2,538,000, or 17 cents per share, for the fourth quarter ended July 31, 1989, an increase of 26 percent.

Revenues for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990, were $143,556,000, compared with $137,411,000 for the same period a year ago, an increase of 4 percent, before the inclusion of the $7,513,000 gain resulting from the sale, during the first quarter of fiscal year 1989, of the remaining interest in the joint venture, Medical Electronics Laboratories Inc.

Net income for the fiscal year was $12,431,000, or 85 cents per share, compared with net income of $9,918,000, or 67 cents per share for the same period a year ago, an increase of 25 percent, before the inclusion of the $4.6

million gain resulting from sale of the aforementioned joint venture interest.

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Peter S. Olson, 508/977-3000

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EASTON, PA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - SI Handling Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:SIHS), traded on the Additional Over-the-Counter (NASDAQ) Exchange under the trading symbol ''SIHS,'' announces its continued profitability during the second quarter ended Aug. 26 as follows:

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	Aug. 26 1990	Aug. 27 1989	Aug. 26 1990	Aug. 27 1989
Sales	$4,295,000	$4,001,000	$10,809,000	$ 8,055,000
Net earnings	66,000	94,000	76,000	145,000
Earnings per share	$0.04	$0.07	$0.05	$0.10

SI Handling has been awarded a $3 million contract with the Walgreen Co. to automate its new Lehigh Valley Distribution Center in Bethlehem, Pa. This system will be similar to the newly-commissioned facility in Mount Vernon, Ill., which is now the largest order picking system in the world.

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - JACO ELECTRONICS, INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: JACO) Thursday announced results for the year ended June 30.

For fiscal 1990, net sales increased 28 percent to $79,947,355 from $62,577,899 in fiscal 1989. Net earnings were $246,251, or $0.15 per share, as compared to $1,141,249, or $0.78 per share, last year.

Commenting on fiscal 1990 year end results, Joel H. Girsky, chairman and chief executive officer of JACO ELECTRONICS, INC., said, ''While Quality Components, our latest acquisition, was not profitable during the year, the subsidiary has proven advantageous to JACO through the addition of new product lines, including subsystem franchises. We anticipate that product expansion and QC's established presence in the Southwest and Southeast will contribute positively to JACO's sales and earnings in fiscal 1991.''

Girsky continued, ''JACO will concentrate on strengthening operating

efficiencies, thereby improving fiscal 1991 earnings. We remain committed to delivering quality services to our customers and are confident that revenue growth will continue as we expand our market share.''

JACO ELECTRONICS, INC., founded in 1961, distributes electronic components and electromechanical devices, such as capacitors, semiconductors, relays, fractional horsepower electric motors, resistors and electronic sub-systems, for use in commercial, industrial, aerospace and defense applications. JACO represents over 115 electronics manufacturers, selling nationally through its own sales force and independent representatives to over 10,000 customers.

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Krista R. Roth or John W. Heilshorn, 212/838-3777

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CONCORD, NH (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - New Hampshire Savings Bank Corp. (NASDAQ:NHSB) Thursday announced that the board of directors has elected Lawrence Connell, most recently president and chief executive officer of San Jacinto Savings Assoc. of Houston, as chief chairman and chief executive officer of the company.

Connell succeeds Joseph J. Butare Jr. who resigned his position with the company effective Aug. 31, 1990.

Connell, 54, has enjoyed a rich and varied career in banking, government and law. Since 1985, when he became a partner in the law firm of Prather Seeger Doolittle & Farmer of Washington, he has counselled financial institutions on strategic, operational and regulatory issues.

During this time he has also served as chief executive officer of three thrifts in Texas -- Commodore Savings Assoc. of Dallas, United Savings Assoc. of Houston and San Jacinto Savings Assoc. of Houston -- where he conceived and executed restructurings and reorganizations preparatory to transfers of ownership and management.

Between 1983 and 1985 he served as president and chief operating officer of Washington Mutual Savings Bank of Seattle, successfully reorganizing this publicly-owned thrift with assets of $4.0 billion.

New Hampshire Savings Bank Corp., headquartered in Concord, the capital of New Hampshire, is the fourth largest bank holding company in the state with assets of $1.3 billion divided among four banking affiliates, with deposits insured by the FDIC to the maximum extent permitted by law, and three nonbanking subsidiaries which together serve individuals, corporations and municipalities throughout central and southern New Hampshire.

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MYRTLE BEACH, SC (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Anchor Financial Corp., based in Myrtle Beach, and the parent company of the Anchor Bank, Thursday reported a 7 percent increase in net income of $1,229,252, or $1.29 per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 over the $1,151,847, or $1.21 per share for the like period in 1989.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $457,113, or 48 cents per share compared with the $418,414, or 44 cents per share earned a year earlier.

Annualized return on average assets was 1.32 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with 1.39 percent at Sept. 30, 1989.

Total assets on Sept. 30, 1990 were $129.8 million, up 14.9 percent from the $113 million reported on Sept. 30, 1989. Total deposits were $106.9 million, up 18.6 percent from $90.1 million a year earlier. The company's ratio of common equity to assets was 12.7 percent and book value per share reached $17.56 on Sept. 30, 1990.

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John J. Moran, 803/448-1411

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MYRTLE BEACH, SC (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Anchor Financial Corp., based in Myrtle Beach, and the parent company of the Anchor Bank, Thursday announced a 15 cents per share quarterly cash dividend payable Oct. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 15, 1990.

This is the fourth quarterly cash dividend of 15 cents paid in 1990.

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John J. Moran, 803/448-1411

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TEMPE, Ariz. (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The common stock of FCS Laboratories Inc. (the ''Company''; FCSIC) was deleted from the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation (NASDAQ) system effective Oct. 2.

The company's stock had continued to be included for quotation on the NASDAQ

system via a temporary exception from the NASD's Capital and Surplus requirement. This temporary exception was granted subject to the company meeting certain conditions. The exception period having expired before the conditions were met, and an extension not being granted, the company's securities were deleted.

While the securities continue to be quoted in the over-the-counter market, the company is continuing its efforts to meet the referenced conditions and is also investigating alternative listing possibilities.

FCS Laboratories Inc. is a healthcare company engaged in serving the general practice physician and veterinarian with diagnostic and therapeutic products for various diseases, including allergy.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Ogden Corp. announced Thursday that its board of directors has authorized a plan to repurchase up to 2 million shares of its common stock from time to time in the open market.

The shares to be repurchased will be held in treasury and available for use in connection with employee benefit programs or other general corporate purposes.

R. Richard Ablon, president and chief executive officer of Ogden, stated that the repurchase plan demonstrates the board's belief that Ogden's current common stock price does not reflect Ogden's recession-resistant growth potential.

Ogden Corp. is a diversified services company that offers aviation, entertainment, environmental and energy consulting, industrial and remote site technical services, and through its subsidiary, Ogden Projects, builds and operates waste-to-energy plants.

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Phillp F. Ruppel, 212/868-5717

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APPLETON, WIS. (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE -Air Wis Services Inc. (NASDAQ:ARWS) reports combined results of its Air Wisconsin and Aspen Airways units, both operating as United Express.

Prior year Aspen results are not included. Revenue passenger miles (one

passenger flown one mile) for September were 40.2 million, up 15.5 percent.

Available seat miles for September were $84.9 million, an increase of 7.3 percent from the same month in 1989. The passenger load factor (the number of seats occupied) for the month was 47.4 percent compared to 44.0 percent for September 1989. Passenger boardings of 198,438 were 14.9 percent above last September.

Air Wis Services Inc.
Traffic Statistics
Month of September

	1990	1989	Change
Revenue passenger miles	40,196,313	34,796,293	+15.5 pct
Available seat miles	84,855,598	79,054,346	+ 7.3 pct
Passenger load factor	47.4 pct	44.0 pct	+ 3.4 pts
Passengers enplaned	198,438	172,762	+14.9 pct

Year-to-date

	1990	1989	Change
Revenue passenger miles	319,159,438	290,729,956	+ 9.8 pct
Available seat miles	697,947,158	608,905,100	+14.6 pct
Passenger load factor	45.7 pct	47.7 pct	- 2.0 pts
Passengers enplaned	1,578,262	1,472,870	+ 7.2 pct

CONTACT: Air Wis Services Inc., Appleton
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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The net asset value of Petroluem & Resources Corp. at Sept. 30, 1990 is compared with that a year earlier in the table below.

For the twelve months ended Sept. 30, according to Indata's figures, total return on Petroleum & Resources Corp. net asset value, after adjusting for income dividends as well as the capital gains distribution paid was 11.2 percent.

Comparable figures for the Dow Jones Industrial Average and The Standard & Poor's Index of 500 stocks were -5.6 percent and -9.4 percent, respectively.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, according to Indata's figures, total return on Petroleum & Resources net asset value, after adjusting for income dividends as well as the capital gains distributions paid in 1990 was 2.7 percent.

Comparable figures for the Dow Jones Industrial Average and the Standard & Poor's Index of 500 stocks were -8.5 percent and -11.2 percent, respectively.

During the three months ended Sept. 30, Petroleum & Resources Corp. added five new names to its portfolio list with the purchases of Columbia Gas System Inc. Dillard Department Stores Inc., TransCanada Pipelines Ltd., Valero Energy Corp. and Waste Management Inc.

An addition was made to the existing portfolio holding of Sonat Inc.

Reductions were made in the holdings of Atlantic Richfield Co., British Petroleum PLC ADR, British Gas PLC ADR, Kimberly-Clark Corp., Lubrizol Corp., Murphy Oil Corp. and Union Texas Petroleum Holdings Inc.

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#90284b0803 10/11/1990 ~Business Wire
BLUE BELL, PA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. Thursday announced several recent orders for its InfoImage document management solutions.

The Unisys InfoImage program, which was launched one year ago today, unites the capabilities of the latest imaging technology with Unisys demonstrated information management expertise. The result is a modular end-user solution that can be readily integrated into the customer's existing information system.

This protects current investments and provides an easy-to-implement methodology for expanding the system as the organization's needs grow.

Unisys announced contracts with the following organizations: -- A3 Studio of Padova, Italy -- Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan -- Jefferson County Commission of Birmingham, Ala. -- Officine Galileo of Florence, Italy -- WABCO Westinghouse of Piossasco, Italy -- Wolpoff and Abramson of Rockville, Md.

These InfoImage Folder and InfoImage EDMS (Engineering Document Management System) contracts represent a variety of industry segments. A3 Studio

Based in Padova, Italy, A3 Studio is a service bureau. A3 Studio will use its system to provide backfile conversion services to other InfoImage EDMS users.

This service will be very valuable for the many companies who have large volumes of hard-copy documents to be entered into a document imaging system, as it gives these users maximum flexibility in matching system size and peripherals to their long-term needs. Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan

The second largest Blue Cross/Blue Shield insurance organization in the U.S., Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan will use the InfoImage Folder system to assist in its facility utilization review process. Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan monitors the performance of member hospitals.

This information feeds into the pre-certification process and is used to determine reimbursement levels. Implementation of the InfoImage Folder system is expected to increase the accuracy and productivity of the facility utilization review staff and to increase the efficiency of the pre-certification process. Jefferson County Commission of Birmingham, Ala.

Within the Jefferson County Commission, the Probate Court will be the first department to implement a comprehensive imaging system. The Probate Court records and stores legal documents such as deeds, titles, liens, veterans' discharge notices, and marriage licenses.

The court also hears cases that may involve these documents. The Probate Court will use the InfoImage Folder system to improve its document storage and retrieval capabilities, electronically ''capturing'' 200 index books that reference documents recorded in more than 5000 Probate books dating back to 1812.

Ultimately, they will capture the 5000 Probate books. The Probate Court will also be capturing its ''over-the-counter'' work, which amounts to approximately 1,300 pages per day. Officine Galileo

Based in Florence, Italy, Officine Galileo is a manufacturer of complex optical systems for defense applications. The company will use InfoImage EDMS to archive technical documents that are currently stored on paper or aperture cards, and will integrate the system into its design automation framework. WABCO Westinghouse

Located in Piossasco, Italy, WABCO Westinghouse will install a pilot InfoImage EDMS system. A manufacturer of railway signals, WABCO Westinghouse will use the system to archive and manage its technical documentation, and will integrate the system with its existing data management system. Wolpoff and Abramson

Wolpoff and Abramson, a credit collection agency in Rockville, Md., has a client base that ranges from individual doctors to retailing giants. The agency plans to use InfoImage Folder to scan various documents received from its clients and to make these documents available on-line to its credit

collection analysts.

Wolpoff and Abramson expects the system to dramatically improve the effectiveness of its collection efforts and to significantly increase its throughput of cases.

CONTACT: Unisys, Blue Bell
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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The net asset value of The Adams Express Co. at Sept. 30, 1990 is compared with that a year earlier in the table below.

For the 12 months ended Sept. 30th, according to Indata's figures, total return on Adams Express net asset value, after adjusting for income dividends as well as the capital gains distribution paid was -4.3 percent.

Comparable figures for the Dow Jones Industrial Average and the Standard & Poor's Index of 500 stocks were -5.6 percent and -9.4 percent, respectively.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30th, according to Indata's figures, total return on Adams Express net asset value, after adjusting for income dividends as well as the capital gains distributions paid in 1990 was -6.9 percent. Comparable figures for the Dow Jones Industrial Average and the Standard & Poor's Index of 500 Stocks were -8.5 percent and -11.2 percent, respectively.

During the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the Adams Express Co. added eight new names to its portfolio list with the purchases of Borden Inc., CPC International, Consolidated Natural Gas Co. Inc., Life Technologies Inc., Nordstrom Inc., Royal Dutch Petroleum Co., Sonat Inc. and Waste Management Inc. An addition was made to the existing portfolio holding of Texaco Inc.

Three issues were eliminated from the investment list with the sales of Genzyme Corp., Northern States Power Co. and ''Shell'' Transport and Trading Co., PLC.

Reductions were made in the holdings of Hewlett-Packard Co., Kimberly-Clark Corp., Pfizer Inc. and Southern Indiana Gas & Electric Co., and Toys ''R'' Us Inc.

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MIAMI (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The unique participation of viewers in the programming of The Jukebox Network, America's first and only viewer programmed network, has encouraged The Jukebox Network to increase its efforts in its unique Customer Service department.

Eastern Airlines veteran Lois Schmatz has been named Manager of Customer Service and the department's duties have been expanded to include daily viewer research studies and supervision of 1-800-ASK-JUKE, the network's 24 hour toll-free viewer assistance service.

Since her appointment, Schmatz has more than doubled the staff assigned to Customer Service and has just completed an extensive survey of over 1000 viewer/customers of The Jukebox Network.

This research aids the network's programming department in offering a more targeted menu of music videos for viewer selection and in reporting to record labels the overwhelming popularity of The Jukebox Network with music buyers.

''The Customer Service issue is as important to VJN as it is to cable operators. We believe that the long-term success of The Jukebox Network depends on our ability to satisfy our viewers,'' says Andrew H. Orgel, VJN president and chief executive officer.

''The customer service department is integral to The Jukebox Network because as a trasactional service, we rely on each phone call and the resulting video to please our programmers - the viewers.''

''The Jukebox Network's Customer Service department is becoming more of a marketing arm of the Comapny, allowing us to know what our customers want so we can supply it,'' says Schmatz. ''Approximately 60 percent of our incoming toll-free calls are music suggestions or inquiries. 1-800-ASK-JUKE works more like a big suggestion box, allowing viewers to interact even further with their Jukebox.''

Schmatz reports to Cheryl Greene, Vice President-Affiliate Relations and Marketing.

Schmatz joins VJN from Eastern Airlines where she was Account Manager. She was responsible for sales and service to travel agencies, group and convention coordinators and corporate accounts. She has also coordinated and organized trade shows, trips, and seminars for travel professionals.

Video Jukebox Network Inc. is an interactive television company that currently operates 116 units of The Jukebox Network, the leading interactive television network in the country. The Jukebox Network is now available in 29 states and reaches 10 million households.

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CLEVELAND (OCT 11) BUSINESS WIRE - October 11, 1990 -- NACCO Industries, Inc. (NC-NYSE) announced today the completion of the previously announced merger of its Proctor-Silex, Inc. subsidiary with Hamilton Beach Inc., a subsidiary of Glen Dimplex of the Republic of Ireland. The definitive agreement between the parties provides that upon completion of the merger the combined company, to be known as Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex, Inc., will be owned 80 percent by NACCO and 20 percent by Glen Dimplex.

Arnold H. Dreyfuss, chairman and chief executive officer of Proctor-Silex, has been named chairman and chief executive officer of the combined company, and William A. Parks, president of Hamilton Beach, will become executive vice president-Hamilton Beach of the combined company. The new company will be headquartered in Richmond, Virginia, and is expected to have combined annual sales of approximately $350,000,000.

Ward Smith, chairman and chief executive officer of NACCO Industries, said, ''We are very pleased to have Hamilton Beach join Proctor-Silex as a part of NACCO Industries. Both companies have a strong history of quality products in the small appliance business. We are excited about the increased opportunities presented by this new business combination and we are looking forward to our association with our colleagues at Glen Dimplex.''

Alfred M. Rankin, Jr., president and chief operating officer of NACCO Industries, stated, ''This merger creates an outstanding opportunity to strengthen our position in a highly competitive market. The excellent product fit gives the new company a much broader product line. In addition, the combination provides the ability to achieve significant operating savings. We intend to maintain the individual trade names, inasmuch as both the Hamilton Beach and Proctor-Silex brands have substantial consumer recognition and acceptance.''

Hamilton Beach, which was acquired by Glen Dimplex in 1985, produces small electric appliances that are largely motor driven such as blenders, food processors, mixers and knives. It operates two plants in North Carolina, at Clinton and Washington. Glen Dimplex, a corporation organized under the laws of the Republic of Ireland, designs, manufactures and markets kitchen and other household appliances throughout the European Community.

Proctor-Silex, headquartered in Richmond, Virginia, was acquired by NACCO

Industries in 1988. Proctor-Silex produces small electric appliances that are largely heat generating such as toasters, irons, coffeemakers and toaster ovens. It also operates two plants in North Carolina, at Southern Pines and Mt. Airy, and a manufacturing facility in Juarez, Mexico.

NACCO Industries is a holding company that has two other major operating subsidiaries in addition to Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex. Hyster-Yale Materials Handling, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets forklift trucks and related service parts under the Hyster and Yale trade names. The North American Coal Corporation mines and markets coal for use primarily as fuel in power generation by electric utilities.

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of James River Corp. (NYSE: JR) declared a quarterly dividend of $.84375 per share on the Company's Series K $3.375 Cumulative Convertible Exchangeable Preferred Stock, payable on Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 18, 1991.

In addition, the Board declared a quarterly dividend of $3.50 per share ($.875 per depositary share) on James River's Series L $14 Cumulative Convertible Exchangeable Preferred Stock, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 19, 1990. Each depositary share represents one quarter of a share of Series L Preferred Stock.

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FORT WORTH, Texas (OCT 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Burlington Northern Inc. (NYSE:BNI) Thursday voted to pay a regular quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share on outstanding common stock.

The directors also declared a dividend of 13-3/4 cents per share on $10 par value preferred stock.

Dividends on common stock will be paid on Jan. 7, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 10, 1990, and dividends on preferred stock will be paid on Dec. 1 to shareholders of record Nov. 8.

Common shares outstanding on Sept. 30 totaled 75,969,928 and $10 par value preferred shares outstanding totaled 1,351,687.

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Northern Inc.'s (NYSE:BNI) board of directors Thursday elected Gerald Grinstein chairman, succeeding Richard M. Bressler, who retired from the board.

Grinstein, 58, is president and chief executive officer of Burlington Northern parent of Burlington Northern Railroad. He joined BN's board in 1985 when he was chief executive officer of Western Air Lines. In 1987 Grinstein was elected vice chairman and he became president and CEO in early 1989.

A graduate of Yale and Harvard Law School, Grinstein is a former partner in the law firm of Preston, Thorgrimson, Ellis & Holman in Seattle. In 1958 he became counsel to a Senate subcommittee and from 1963 to 1967 he was chief counsel to the Senate Commerce Committee. From 1967 to 1969 Grinstein was administrative assistant to Sen. Warren G. Magnuson of Washington.

Bressler, 60, had been chairman of Burlington Northern since 1982. He joined BN in 1980 as president and chief executive officer after holding executive positions at General Electric, American Airlines and Atlantic Richfield Co.

Under Bressler's leadership, BN changed from being primarily a railroad to a corporation with broader interests including businesses related to natural resources. In 1981 the subsidiaries Milestone Petroleum and Meridian Land & Mineral Co. were formed. Another subsidiary, Glacier Park Co., was reorganized to focus on commercial development of BN real estate.

BN began to increase its business in timberland management and forest-products manufacturing and in 1983 both businesses were merged into Plum Creek Timber Co.

In 1983 Burlington Northern acquired The El Paso Co. and entered the natural gas transmission business. At the end of 1984, BN's oil and natural gas exploration and production activities were combined with those of The El Paso Co. to form a subsidiary called Meridian Oil. In 1985, BN acquired Southland Royalty Co., which bolstered the oil and gas operations.

In the meantime, cost control, efficiency and improved service in the railroad operation were emphasized and the rail system was upgraded. In 1988 Burlington Resources Inc. was created as a holding company for BN's natural resource operations. On Dec. 31, 1988, Burlington Resources was spun off from Burlington Northern, leaving BN with one principal subsidiary, the railroad.

Bressler also was chairman of Burlington Resources. On Wednesday he retired from the chairmanship but he remains on the board.

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HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - William G. Mustain, president and CEO of Comdial Corp. (NASDAQ Symbol: CMDL) and Richard J. Riccoboni, chairman and CEO of Eagle Telephonics Inc. (OTC) announced Thursday the signing of a letter of intent to merge Eagle into Comdial.

Under the terms of the proposed merger, Eagle would merge into a wholly owned subsidiary of Comdial. At the effective time of the merger, Eagle shareholders would receive Comdial Common Stock (or options to purchase Comdial Common Stock, with respect to Eagle option holders) equalling between 20 percent to 22 percent of Comdial's outstanding common stock on a fully diluted basis. The transaction is subject to, among other conditions, the negotiation and execution of a definitive merger agreement, approvals of the boards of directors and shareholders of both companies, an effective registration statement with
respect to the Comdial shares to be issued in connection with the merger, the consents of the lenders of both companies, the termination or modification of certain existing contractual arrangements by Eagle, and Eagle's having not incurred losses in excess of certain specified amounts prior to the merger.

Comdial is a Charlottesville, Virginia-based designer and manufacturer of advanced telephone sets and telephone systems for business use. It is the successor of an organization that has been producing telephones in America since 1894. Comdial currently markets its products primarily through wholesale supply companies. Comdial reported 1989 sales of $81.4 million.

Eagle is located in Hauppague, N.Y. and also designs and manufactures telephone systems. Eagle's products are primarily for use behind Centrex and ''Caller ID'' service, both service offerings of the Regional Bell Telephone Companies. Eagle's major customers are the Regional Bell Operating Companies and the U.S. Government. Eagle reported 1989 sales of $18.1 million.

Mustain and Riccoboni elaborated, ''As a result of substantial discussions over this past year, we recognized considerable potential for synergies in our firms. It is our mutual conviction that the combination of our resources will bring us into a considerably strengthened market position for the future.''

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SOUTHBOROUGH, MA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Bytex Corp. (NASDAQ: BYTX) Thursday reported financial results for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In addition, the company announced the intention of Dr. Steven G. Finn to resign as vice president of business planning and development effective Dec. 31, 1990. Dr. Finn will continue to serve as Bytex's chairman of the board of directors.

A graduate of MIT and one of the three original founders of Bytex in 1980, Dr. Finn was president and chief executive officer of the company until mid-1987 when he spearheaded the search for his successor, Jeffrey S. Goodman, Bytex's current president and chief executive officer.

Looking back on Bytex's first decade, Dr. Finn said, ''I am extremely proud of our accomplishments at Bytex over the past 10 years. We set out to build a successful, high quality company that provides significant benefit and value to our clients. That objective certainly has been met, and much more.''

Continued Finn, ''During the past three years I have worked with Jeff to extend Bytex's market reach and build our staff and technical capabilities to assure the company's future. Looking ahead at my own career, I would now like to evaluate other ventures and explore several opportunities of interest to me. As an active member of the board, my input will still be readily available.''

Total revenue for the 1990 third quarter was $11.3 million, representing a 10 percent increase over the $10.3 million reported for the same quarter in 1989. Year-to-date 1990 total revenues of $31.7 million rose by 13 percent from 1989 year-to-date revenues of $28 million.

Net income of $1.3 million for the third quarter of 1990 increased by 17 percent from the $1.1 million reported a year ago. Year-to-date 1990 net income of $3.2 million rose by 38 percent over year-to-date 1989 net income of $2.3 million.

Earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 was 20 cents versus third quarter 1989 earnings of 18 cents per share. Year-to-date 1990 EPS was 51 cents versus 40 cents for the corresponding period a year ago.

Commenting on the company's third quarter results, Bytex President and Chief Executive Officer Jeffrey S. Goodman said, ''We are pleased that we are

meeting our 1990 objectives for growth and profitability while continuing to invest heavily in the development of new products. In addition, our balance sheet remains strong, which is important in building for the future.

''In the quarter, international demand increased significantly, but domestic bookings slowed from the first half of the year. The slowdown in domestic business was largely related to delays in capital spending as some companies are taking additional time to scrutinize their capital equipment expenditures.

''Internationally, we experienced a high level of activity in the Pacific rim countries and in Canada. In Europe, we shipped initial orders to the Spanish telecommunications carrier Telefonica as their first step toward automated network control. With the coming of the 1992 Olympics and World's Fair in Spain, we are hopeful for additional business opportunities in that country.

''Thirty percent of total orders received in the third quarter came from new customers, including Telefonica of Spain and Boeing Computer Services. We were also pleased by the contribution of orders comprised of products introduced within the past year.

''We continued to invest heavily in product development. In particular, we have been ramping up investment in our LAN business in order to introduce new products for that high growth market area.

''As for the reminder of 1990, we believe that revenue and earnings will increase from the levels achieved a year ago. We are encouraged by the positive momentum generated by our international business and by significant new customers. At the same time, however, an uncertain U.S. economic outlook causes us to be cautious in our planning for the balance of the year and into 1991.''

Bytex Corp. designs, manufactures and supports fault-tolerant systems and related data communications products which improve the reliability of data communications networks and enhance the ability to manage and control these networks.

The company is the leading supplier worldwide of electronic matrix switches and has recently entered the LAN marketplace with the acquisition of VANCE Systems Inc. of Chantilly, Va., a leader in Token Ring technology.

Sales/Earnings Summary

	Three Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Net Sales	$11,251,000	$10,257,000
Pre-tax Earnings	2,001,000	1,670,000
Income Taxes	735,000	584,000
Net Income	1,266,000	1,086,000
Earnings Per Share	$0.20	$0.18

Shares Outstanding	6,251,000	6,151,000

	Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Net Sales	$31,653,000	$28,024,000
Pre-tax Earnings	4,950,000	3,530,000
Income Taxes	1,782,000	1,235,000
Net Income	3,168,000	2,295,000
Earnings Per Share	$0.51	$0.40
Shares Outstanding	6,263,000	5,767,000

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SOMERVILLE, MA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Central Co-operative Bank (NASDAQ:CEBK) announced Thursday that it has received a Form F-11 report filed by Haymarket Co-operative Bank which states, among other things, that ''Haymarket now intends to propose to the Board of Directors of Central a merger that would combine Central and Haymarket.''

The Form F-11 also states that ''the details of the merger proposal have not yet been determined, but Haymarket expects that the proposal will involve a stock for stock merger of Haymarket into Central that will combine the two banks, their boards of directors and their management teams.'' According to the Form F-11, Haymarket owns 9.9 percent of Central's outstanding stock.

While Central has in the past engaged in informal discussions with Haymarket regarding a potential combination of the two banks, no such discussions, informal or otherwise, are currently ongoing, or have been held in the recent past. Central is, therefore, unable to comment on whether any such discussions will commence, the likelihood of any agreement providing for a combination of the two banks being reached, or the possible terms of any such combination.

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BELTSVILLE, MD (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - John Hanson Savings Bank, F.S.B., Thursday reported net income for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $448,000, or 8 cents per share, based on 5,783,564 weighted average number of shares outstanding.

This compares to a reported net income of $2.1 million, or 37 cents per share, based on 5,770,653 weighted average number of shares outstanding, for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The fiscal 1991 quarter income includes minimal loan and security sales and is indicative of substantial improvements in John Hanson's normal operating activities over the past year. The difference in net income from the fiscal 1990 quarter compared to the fiscal 1991 quarter is primarily the result of a $2.7 million gain recorded on the sale of approximately $95 million of residential loans and mortgage-backed and U.S. Government securities in the fiscal 1990 quarter.

The Savings Bank is continuing to seek compliance with the capital requirements established by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA). FIRREA established required capital levels to be: tangible capital of 1.5 percent of adjusted total assets, core capital of 3.0 percent of adjusted total assets and risk based capital of 6.4 percent of risk weighted assets.

At Sept. 30, 1990, John Hanson Savings Bank's ratios were 1.53 percent, 2.31 percent and approximately 4.0 percent, respectively.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the Savings Bank's total assets, total deposits and stockholders' equity were, $874.6 million, $697.8 million and $21.4 million, respectively. This compares to total assets of $904.1 million, total deposits of $704.3 million and stockholder's equity of $31.0 million for the period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Comparable levels at June 30, 1990, the Savings Bank's fiscal year-end were $887.6 million, $685.0 million and $21.0 million respectively.

John Hanson Savings Bank, F.S.B., has 15 branch offices and is headquartered in Beltsville. The bank's stock is traded on the National Association of Securties Dealers' Automated Quotation (NASDAQ) National Market System under the symbol ''JHSL.''

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - James River Corp. (NYSE: JR) Thursday announced that as part of a management transition plan, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Brenton S. Halsey will relinquish the title of chief executive officer and that the board of directors has elected Robert C. Williams, currently president and chief operating officer, to the position of president and chief executive officer, both effective Nov. 1.

Halsey will continue as chairman of the board and chairman of the executive committee, will oversee the divestitures related to the recently announced restructuring plan to their completion and will continue to directly oversee James River's European joint ventures. The transition plan is in anticipation of Halsey's formal retirement in April of 1992.

Halsey, the company's first chief executive officer, and Williams, the company's first chief operating officer, co-founded James River Corp. in 1969 by way of an initial acquisition with annual sales of $4 million and, through internal growth and approximately 40 acquisitions over 21 years, have grown the company to $6 billion in consolidated sales last year and an additional unconsolidated overseas sales of $1.8 billion.

James River Corp. was ranked as the 81st largest U.S. industrial corporation last year.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC) Thursday announced that an investor group had filed a Form A statement with the New Hampshire Department of Insurance regarding a possible acquisition of control of The Home Insurance Company.

The investor group filing the statement included Sequoia Associates, White Mountain Partners and Whitman Heffernan Rhein & Co. This group had previously submitted bids for The Home and 50.1 percent of AmBase.

The statement said the Sequoia Group was examining their options for proposing alternatives to the sale and evaluating their position with respect to the solicitation of proxies in opposition to the sale. The group also said they were filing the statement to expedite the N.H. Department's review of any transaction they may propose with respect to The Home or AmBase, but said there was no assurance any proposal would be made.

As previously announced, on Oct. 1, the AmBase board of directors approved the sale of The Home Insurance Company for $970 million to an investor group headed by Trygg-Hansa Holding AB, Vik Brothers International USA Inc., International Insurance Advisors Inc., and Donaldson, Lufkin and Jenrette. This transaction is subject to due diligence, stockholder approval, financing and regulatory approvals.

The company said it is continuing to work to complete the Trygg-Hansa/Vik transaction as soon as possible. AmBase also said it had retained

Prudential-Bache Capital Funding to advise management on formulating a restructuring plan for the company.

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TUPELO, MI (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Bancorp of Mississippi Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:BOMS) Thursday reported that net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $3,844,000 compared to $3,186,000 for 1989, an increase of 20.7 percent.

On a per share basis, primary net income for the third quarter amounted to 81 cents in 1990 compared to 66 cents in 1989, an increase of 22.7 percent, and fully diluted net income for the third quarter amounted to 77 cents in 1990 compared to 64 cents in 1989, an increase of 20.3 percent.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income totaled $10,419,000 compared to $9,623,000 in 1989, an increase of 8.3 percent. On a per share basis, primary net income amounted to $2.18 in 1990 compared to $2.01 in 1989, an increase of 8.5 percent, and fully diluted net income amounted to $2.09 in 1990 compared to $1.93 in 1989, an increase of 8.3 percent.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets amounted to $1.50 billion, an 8.3 percent increase over 1989. Total deposits amounted to $1.31 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 6.5 percent over 1989. Loans and lease receivables, net of unearned discount, increased 7.4 percent to $933.87 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, common shareholders' equity totaled $101.12 million, which represented a book value of $21.70 per share.

BOMS is the parent company of Bank of Mississippi, which operates 72 branch offices in 32 Mississippi communities. The company's common stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the trading symbol BOMS.

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OAK BROOK, IL (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - McDonald's Corporation Thursday announced the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend of 8-1/2 cents per

share on its common stock.

The dividend is payable on December 18 to common shareholders of record at the close of business on November 30. McDonald's has paid 59 consecutive quarterly common stock cash dividends and increased the dividend 16 times since the first one was paid in 1976.

McDonald's Corporation common stock is traded on the New York, Midwest and Pacific Stock Exchanges in the U.S. and internationally, on those in Toronto, Canada; Paris, France; Frankfurt and Munich, Germany; Tokyo, Japan; and Zurich Geneva and Basel, Switzerland.

McDonald's is the world's leading foodservice organization, with more than 11,300 restaurants in 53 countries. Seventy-five percent of McDonald's restaurant businesses are locally owned and operated by independent entrepreneurs.

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IRVINE, Calif. (OCT 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Printronix Inc. (NASDAQ:PTNX), manufacturer of computer printers, Thursday reported a net income of $201,000, or 5 cents per share, on sales of $27,919,000 for the second quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990.

This compares with a net income of $1,237,000, or 30 cents per share, on sales of $31,886,000 for the second quarter of the previous year and net income of $1,005,000, or 26 cents per share, on sales of $29,668,000 for the quarter ended June 29, 1990.

For the six months, the company reported a profit of $1,206,000, or 32 cents per share, on revenue of $57,587,000 compared with a profit of $630,000, or 15 cents per share, on revenue of $61,136,000 for the first six months of fiscal 1990.

The Sept. 28, 1990, period ended with no bank debt and cash of $9,512,000 net of purchasing and retiring 287,690 shares, or 8 percent, of Printronix stock over the last six months.

Released backlog as of Sept. 28, 1990, was $14,823,000 compared with $14,577,000 at the end of the previous quarter and $26,896,000 at the end of the second quarter of the previous fiscal year.

The lower sales levels reflect a persistent weakness in the North American

market brought about by a general industry downturn and economic recession. However international markets continue to show steady product orders.

In response to current market conditions, the company continues to implement cost reductions to sustain profitability at lower sales levels.

These productivity improvements, coupled with increased investments in engineering research and development, sales and marketing of new products, will continue with a view toward improving the company's position to weather the recession and promote future growth.

Printronix introduced a number of new products during the past quarter, including the L1016 continuous-form laser printer. Designed for applications which require high-resolution text and graphics, this 16-page-per-minute printer combines 300 dot-per-inch resolution with the applications convenience and data integrity of continuous-form printing.

Also introduced during the quarter was the extra-quiet P3240 matrix line printer. With a sound rating of 52 dBA, this 400 line-per-minute (lpm) printer is 50 percent quieter than other ''quietized'' models which are generally rated at 55 dBA and is the quietest line printer available today.

Printronix, founded in 1974, designs, manufactures and markets a full range of printers for business and industrial applications. Printronix leads the industry as the supplier of printers for rugged industrial applications.

Products include patented matrix line printers for heavy-duty cycle, medium and high-speed printing and plotting; non-impact page printers for shared office applications requiring letter-quality printing and high-resolution graphics; and Intelligent Graphics Processors (IGP) for on-line generation of forms and bar code labels.

The company's products are marketed worldwide to original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), value-added resellers (VARs) and through a network of exclusive full-service distributors.

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WASHINGTON (OCT 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Arms control groups representing scientists, physicians, lawyers and other professionals Thursday called for cutting off Northrop Corp. (NYSE:NOC) from defense dollars for two years.

The professionals' groups said it is past time to take away Northrop's contracts, responding to an Air Force review finding serious problems in every system that the Los Angeles-based firm produces and previous recommendations

by House investigators and the Justice Department that Northrop be debarred for corruption and shoddy work.

''Northrop is the target of at least seven grand jury probes and 11 criminal investigations,'' said Dr. Robert K. Musil, executive director of the Professionals Coalition for Nuclear Arms Control. The House Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations called in July for debarring Northrop. ''Yet, amazingly, the Pentagon continues business as usual with Northrop,'' Musil said.

''This is a flagrant example of government spending gone wrong,'' he said.

''The message this sends to Northrop, Congress and the American taxpayers could not be more destructive,'' added Kevin Knobloch, Union of Concerned Scientists legislative director. ''The questions really need to be asked: Has Northrop's shoddy management contributed to the B-2's enormous cost? And will it contribute to enormous cost overruns in the future?'' Knobloch said.

Air Force Secretary Donald B. Rice Thursday was called before the Senate Armed Services Committee to answer senators' concerns about Northrop. The arms control groups termed Rice's testimony a ''whitewash'' of the Air Force's own criticisms and noted the Pentagon has not allowed out any written report of the review's findings.

The professionals' groups singled out the B-2 ''Stealth'' bomber, on which Northrop has allegedly falsified test data, covered up cost overruns and attempted to double-charge taxpayers by $2 billion, as the most obvious example of Northrop abuse of its close relationship with the Pentagon.

''This should be budget-cutters' No. 1 target in seeking responsible cuts in the defense budget during the post-Cold War, deficit-plagued 90s,'' said John Isaacs, legislative director for the Council for a Livable World.

''As our defense budgets decline, it is important to establish the principle that inefficient and corrupt manufacturers should not continue in the defense business. We have less money to waste,'' Isaacs said. At $871 million each, B-2 bombers would cost approximately 1.4 times their weight in gold.

Isaacs added, ''We should consider this bomber a litmus test of whether Congress can be fiscally prudent. It's time to kick Northrop out of the defense business.''

As even Rice admitted, Northrop has failed to meet what he called ''management challenges'' as it more than tripled its sales volume since the early 80s and has grown from mainly a subcontractor to prime contractor on several large systems.

They include the MX missile guidance system, AV-8B Harrier fighter-bombers,

Tacit Rainbow air-launched cruise missiles and F/A-18 fighters as well as the B-2 bomber. Groups calling for debarring Northrop include Council for a Livable World (MIT and Harvard scientists are among the board members), the Professionals' Coalition for Nuclear Arms Control (representing doctors, lawyers, scientists, architects, designers, planners and psychologists), Physicians for Social Responsibility and the Union of Concerned Scientists.

CONTACT: Council for a Livable World, Washington John Isaacs, 202/543-4100 or Professionals' Coalition for Nuclear Arms Control, Washington Robert K. Musil, 202/332-4823

-30- 3898

#90284c0003 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:35 that trade in IMO Industries Inc.(NASDAQ: IMD) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on NYSE.

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#90284c0004 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:39 that trade in Consolidated Products Inc.(NASDAQ: COPI) has been resumed. The first sale was 9 3/4; up 1 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 359

#90284c0005 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:43 that trade in Southern New England Telecommunications Corp.(NASDAQ: SNG) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

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#90284c0006 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 9:

Tierco Group Inc. (TIER); Capital & surplus below NASDAQ maintenance standards

-30- 302

#90284c0007 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Executive House Inc.(TICKER: EXHS), on Sept. 19, 1990, purchased, for $450,000, 1.76 million shares of common stock of Aegis, representing 24% of Aegis' issued and outstanding shares of common stock.

The company also purchased a number of preferred shares of NPS Industries Inc. an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Aegis, representing 20% of NPS' then-issued and outstanding shares, for $1 million.

Executive House additionally purchased for $50,000 all of the then-issued and outstanding common stock of IFTI Capital Appreciation Management Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Aegis.

The aggregate purchase price for the Aegis shares was $1.50 million.

The purchases were pursuant to a master agreement dated June 26, 1990, among Executive House, Aegis and NPS.

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#90284c0008 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Werner Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: WERN) earned $5.82 million, or $0.50 per share, on revenues of $76.59 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $5.24 million, or $0.45 per share, on revenues of $61.25 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90284c0009 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in IMO Industries Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol IMD. Trading was resumed at 10:10.

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#90284c0011 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Canterbury Educational Services (TICKER: SKIL) earned $24,009 (including an extraordinary gain of $8,000), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.04 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $196,839, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $2.95 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 552

#90284c0012 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Chronodynamics Ltd. announced the termination of their client-auditor relationship with Deloitte & Touche.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 542

#90284c0013 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Citizens Independent Bancorp entered into a letter of intent to merge with First Commercial Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: FSCB), a bank holding company headquartered in Jasper, Alabama.

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#90284c0014 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Probus Corp. announced that on Sept. 7, 1990, Robert E. Hunter resigned as a director of the company.

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#90284c0015 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Waverly Inc.(TICKER: WAVR) on Sept. 21, 1990, acquired most of the assets of the Harwal Publishing Co., located in Media, Pennsylvania, from John Wiley & Sons Inc.(TICKER: WILL).

The purchase price was $8.0 million.

Harwal publishes the National Medical Series of review books for medical students.

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#90284c0016 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 28, 1990, the board of directors of Northwestern Drug Co. declared a dividend on all shares of stock outstanding of one share of stock for each outstanding share, subject to proration required by company bylaws regarding shares issued in the preceding 12 months.

The dividend is also subject to the condition that no fractional shares be issued and that all calculations be rounded down to the nearest full share.

-30- 651

#90284c0017 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Autocafe Systems Inc. extended the expiration date of the company's common stock purchase warrants from Oct. 1, 1990 to Oct. 31, 1990.

-30- 385

#90284c0019 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Borland International Inc.(TICKER: BORL) announced it entered an agreement on Sept. 26 1990 with the City of Scotts Valley, California, to purchase approximately 33 acres of land at $15.1 million.

The transaction is expected to close in October, 1990.

The company reports it intends to construct new office facilities on this site beginning in fiscal 1992.

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#90284c0020 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lancer Orthodontics (TICKER: LANZ) lost $1,593, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.24 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $189,826, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $2.32 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90284c0021 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows Reuters Holdings PLC (TICKER: RTRS) and the American Stock Exchange have signed a letter of intent to develop and operate an electronic market-place for the trading of private placement securities meeting the requirements of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 144A.

The company reports the new market-place, called the System for Institutional Trading of Unregistered Securities (SITUS), would support trading of these securities by qualified institutional buyers, as defined by the rule.

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#90284c0022 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Adtec Inc.(TICKER: JAIL) lost $7.32 million (including an extraordinary loss of $701,269), or $2.93 per share, on revenues of $15.26 million for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $226,135, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $21.63 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 510

#90284c0023 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Sector Associates Ltd.(TICKER: SXTR) lost $55,507 (including an extraordinary gain of $6,182), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $13.40 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $339,742 (including an extraordinary gain of $1.56 million), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $14.33 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 563

#90284c0024 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 21, 1990, First Financial Corp.'s(TICKER: FFHC) wholly-owned subsidiary, First Financial Bank F.S.B., completed its acquisition from the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC) of three Peoria, Illinois, branches of Great American Savings and Loan Association.

Pursuant to the acquisition, First Financial Bank entered an agreement with the RTC to maintain a minimum of Tier 1 tangible capital level of 4%, starting Dec. 31, 1990, increasing to a level of 4.5%, starting Dec. 31, 1991.

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#90284c0025 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows C.A. Short International Inc. lost $886,601, or $0.38 per share, on revenues of $3.19 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $105,383 (including an extraordinary gain of $34,000), or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $289,221 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 507

#90284c0027 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Perle Systems Ltd.(TICKER: PERL) earned $70,416, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.61 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $64,023, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $2.76 million for the same period in 1989.

All figures are reported in Canadian dollars.

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#90284c0028 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows U.S. Precious Metals Inc.(TICKER: USPM) earned $19,851, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.52 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $105,340, or $0.01 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

All figures are reported in Canadian dollars.

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#90284c0029 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Moleculon Inc.(TICKER: MBIO) lost $3.18 million, or $0.41 per share, on revenues of $21.26 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $1.58 million, or $0.34 per share, on revenues of $2.97 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90284c0030 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:29 that trade in Neutrogena Corp.(NASDAQ: NGNA) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 12 3/8. The company is located in Los Angeles, CA.

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#90284c0031 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:34 that trade in Chemical Banking Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol CHL.

-30- 322

#90284c0032 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:57 that trade in CCX Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol CCX.

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#90284c0033 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Chemical Banking Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CHL. Trading was resumed at 12:59.

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#90284c0035 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:08 that trade in Neutrogena Corp. (NASDAQ: NGNA) has been resumed. The first sale was 11; down 1 3/8 points from the halt, and down 1 3/4 points from the previous close.

-30- 365
#90284c0036 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 27, 1990, a total of 22,000 shares were sold for $10 to $10.75 per share by a brokerage firm from margin accounts of R.K. Gray but such sales were unauthorized by R.K. Gray, who is considering legal action. On Oct. 8, 1990, the proposed merger was approved by Pop Radio Corp.'s (TICKER: POPX) shareholders, but Heritage announced on Sept. 27 that it is not certain that it will conclude the merger after Oct. 31, 1990, the termination date.

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#90284c0037 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

R.F. HUSSEY OWNS 240,224 SHARES (6.20%) OF POP RADIO CORP (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 8, 1990, the proposed merger was approved by Pop Radio Corp.'s shareholders, but Heritage announced on Sept. 27 that it is not certain that it will conclude the merger after Oct. 31, 1990, the termination date. As of Oct. 9, 1990, Heritage held 3,275,225 shares, representing 83 percent, of Pop Radio Corp.

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#90284c0038 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

G.L. CROCKER OWNS 385,563 SHARES (6.60%) OF RESEARCH INDUSTRIES CORP (TICKER: REIC) OF SALT LAKE CITY, UT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

G.L. Crocker acquired 225,050 shares on Oct. 1, 1990 in exchange for his 20 percent stake in Research Medical Inc. which was valued at $11.44 per share of Research Industries Corp. The transaction was pursuant to a plan of reorganization and merger between Research Industries Corp., RMI and Research Medical Acquisition Corp.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90284c0040 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

CAISSE DE DEPOT ET PLACEMENT DU QUEBEC OWNS 9,703,232 SHARES (6.31%) OF TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LTD (TICKER: TRP) OF CALGARY, ALBERTA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Caisse De Depot Et Placement Du Quebec purchased 368,815 shares from Aug. 3 to Sept. 21, 1990 for Cdn.$15.33 to $15.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90284c0041 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

CAISSE DE DEPOT ET PLACEMENT DU QUEBEC OWNS 19,461,739 SHARES (6.11%) OF CANADIAN PACIFIC LTD (TICKER: CP) OF MONTREAL, CANADA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Caisse De Depot Et Placement Du Quebec purchased 1,572,898 shares from Aug. 1 to Sept. 21, 1990 for Cdn.$18.06 to $20.06 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90284c0048 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:44 that trade in Sterling Software Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol SSW.

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#90284c0050 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in CCX Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CCX. Trading was resumed at 14:56.

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#90284c0051 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - Congress has received yet another warning that the nation's bank deposit insurance fund faces further depletions which could threaten its solvency.

Rep. Frank Annunzio (D-Ill.) announced yesterday that the Office of Management and Budget calculated in the budget summit agreement that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp's bank insurance fund will lose $6.1 billion over the next three fiscal years. Prior to the budget summit, the OMB was predicting the bank insurance fund would post a $600 million surplus over the same period.

Last month the General Accounting Office and Congressional Budget Office released reports affirming the bank insurance fund is under severe stress. The GAO said a recession or single large bank failure could be enough to deplete the fund and the CBO forecast the FDIC will spend $30 billion to $35 billion through 1993 to pay for an additional 631 bank failures.

From 1987 through 1989, the deposit insurance fund fell 28 percent from $18.3 billion to $13.2 billion following a record number of post-Depression bank failures. At the end of 1989, the FDIC fund's ratio of reserves to deposits fell to an historical low of 70 cents per $100 of deposits.

FDIC Chairman L. William Seidman recently projected the cost of bank failures to the insurance fund will jump from $2 billion to $3 billion in 1990.

The OMB forecasts the bank insurance fund reserves will fall to $5.3 billion by 1993, or only 22 cents for every $100 of insured deposits. The FDIC's targeted minimum reserve ratio is $1.25 per $100 of deposits.

The FDIC recently voted to raise the rate it charges member banks from 12.5 cents per $100 of deposits to 19.5 cents per $100 in the next fiscal year, the maximum amount allowable under present law.

Lawmakers, fearing another savings and loan debacle, have taken action to allow the FDIC a free reign to boost the premiums it charges banks to keep the bank insurance fund at safe levels. The House has passed such a bill and the Senate Banking Committee is scheduled to mark-up similar legislation tomorrow.

The downside to raising bank premiums is this could hurt many small, healthy banks operating on low profit margins, threatening the viability of additional institutions.

Rep. Annunzio has introduced legislation which would require banks to put an amount equal to one percent of their deposits into the bank insurance fund, which he says would raise $25 billion for the fund.

The American Bankers Assocation believes Annunzio's proposal is misguided.

"We feel that the problems associated with the deposit insurance system need to be addressed from another direction than the funding aspect," said Mark Burneko, an ABA spokesman. "This doesn't go to the core of the problem which is the policy, de-facto or otherwise, that protects the nation's largest financial institutions from failure."

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#90284c0052 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - Buffelsfontein Gold Mining Co. Ltd. (TICKER: BFEL) filed its annual report with the NASD showing it earned 104.64 million South African rand, or 622 cents per share, on revenues of 917.14 million rand for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of 166.55 million rand, or 541 cents per share, on revenues of 922.89 million rand in fiscal 1989.

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#90284c0053 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 2 1990, Cellular Communications Inc.(TICKER: COMM) announced its board of directors and Pacific Telesis Group (TICKER: PAC) agreed to certain amendments to a merger agreement announced on July 25, 1990.

The amendments will provide that the private market value appraisal process for Cellular Communications will begin five years from closing and end no later than six years from closing.

Should significant adverse economic conditions exist at the initial fifth year appraisal date, Cellular Communications can defer the process for an additional six months.

This represents a change from the 5 1/2 to 8 year period in the original agreement.

In addition, the amendments will provide that Cellular Communications may not take any action that would result in a waiver of Telesis' "make-whole" payment of obligations to Cellular Communications' shareholders without the approval of Cellular Communications' shareholders.

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#90284c0054 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Source Venture Capital Inc.(TICKER: SVCI) earned $445,588 (including an extraordinary gain of $102,000) on revenues of $1.54 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $113,334 on revenues of $1.43 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90284c0055 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Austin McDaniel Corp.(TICKER: ASTN) lost $166,856, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $975,426 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $29,018, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $760,500 in fiscal 1989.

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#90284c0056 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) COMTEX - The Daiei Inc.(TICKER: DAIE) filed its annual report with the NASD and shows net income of $63.47 million, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $14.72 billion for the fiscal year ended Feb. 28, 1990.

This compares with net income of Y8,014, or Y21.67 per share, on revenues of Y1,939,683 in fiscal 1989.

NOTE: 1989 figures are in millions of Japanese yen, except for per share results.

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#90284c0058 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - Kangaroo Franchises Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1 million shares of its common stock upon exercise of the company's stock purchase warrants.

In addition, certain selling shareholders of the company are offering 68,626 shares of common stock.

The company offers franchises which provide same day or next day delivery services and freight handling for documents, parcels and packages using the "Kangaroo Express" trade names, trademarks, service marks, logos and other commercial symbols.

The company's executive office is located at 610 8th Ave., Durango, Colorado 81301 and its telephone number is (303) 247-8191.

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#90284c0059 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - Carlisle Corp.(TICKER: CSL) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 100,000 units.

Each unit consists of one share of Class A common stock, 20 Class A warrants and 20 Class B warrants.

The initial public offering price is $1.00 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located c/o Carol Susko, CPA, 8636 Aberdeen Court, Annandale, VA 22003.

The telephone number is (703) 978-7473.

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#90284c0060 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - Carlisle Corp.(TICKER: CSL) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 100,000 units.

Each unit consists of one share of Class A common stock, 20 Class A warrants and 20 Class B warrants.

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The telephone number is (703) 978-7473.

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#90284c0061 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - Elite Industries Ltd. has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts for fully paid ordinary shares of the par value of 5 New Israeli Shekel each of Elite Industries Ltd.

The depositary bank is The Bank of New York and its telephone number is (212) 495-1727.

Fifty million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $10 per unit.

The registration fee is $1,250.

NOTE: Each unit represents 100 American Depositary Shares.

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#90284c0062 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - Evergreen Resources Inc.(TICKER: EVER) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 800,000 shares of its common stock.

Nediger Tucker Bruner Inc. is underwriting the offering.

The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ system.

Evergreen is primarily engaged in the domestic exploration, development, acquisition and production of oil and natural gas.

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#90284c0063 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C. GUNTER OF 761 S LEYDEN, DENVER, CO 80224, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF KAL-O-MINE INDUSTRIES INC THROUGH NATIONAL SECS NETWORK. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 9, 1990.

(KAL-O-MINE INDUSTRIES INC TEL: 303 290-9707)

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#90284c0064 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL MARGOLIES OF 126 EAST 35TH STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10016, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,000 SHARES OF HOLLAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOLL) THROUGH ADLER COLEMAN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(HOLLAND INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 212 643-0070)

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#90284c0066 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS A ANDREWS JR OF 701 SE 6TH AVE, DELRAY BEACH, FL 33483, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF COLOR SYSTEM TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CLR) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(COLOR SYSTEM TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 213 417-3444)

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#90284c0067 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES A RUTHERFORD OF 7965 NORTH HIGH STREET, COLUMBUS, OH 43235, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF GOAL SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GOAL) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09,

1990.

(GOAL SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 614 888-1775)

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#90284c0068 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H L THURMON OF 9521 ROCKY BRANCH, DALLAS, TX 75243, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,300 SHARES OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(E-SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 214 661-1000)

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#90284c0069 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G ROLAND KERSTEN OF 601 WYTHE ST S #202, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(CEL-SCI CORP. TEL: 703 549-5293)

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#90284c0070 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EUGENE APPLEBAUM OF 3331 W BIG BEAVER, TROY, MI 48084, HAS FILED TO SELL 95,000 SHARES OF ARBOR DRUGS INC. (TICKER: ARBR) THROUGH SHERWOOD SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 05, 1990.

(ARBOR DRUGS INC. TEL: 313 643-9420)

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#90284c0071 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLEN MCNEARY OF 119 HENRY STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11201, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,725 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MURPHEY MARSEILLES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

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#90284c0072 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, C.A. SAILER, OFFICER OF BROWN-FORMAN CORP. (TICKER: BF) BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $58.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

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#90284c0074 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, D. MEHL, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF MCS TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC.(TICKER: MTEL) BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

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#90284c0075 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, D. MEHL, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF MCS TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC.(TICKER: MTEL) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 333,963.

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#90284c0076 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, G.P. MEHL, CHAIRMAN OF MCS TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: MTEL) BOUGHT 1,750 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

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#90284c0077 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, G.P. MEHL, CHAIRMAN OF MCS TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: MTEL) BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 332,213.

-30- 334
#90284c0078 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 17, 1990, B.W. LYNCH, PRES. OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO.

(TICKER: SDEV) SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90284c0079 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, B.W. LYNCH, PRES. OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO.
(TICKER: SDEV) SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90284c0080 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, B.W. LYNCH, PRES. OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO.
(TICKER: SDEV) SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $7.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS
TO 920,548.

-30- 323
#90284c0082 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, D.C. RUSHELEAU, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NEWBRIDGE
NETWORKS CORP. (TICKER: NNXC), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $5.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90284c0083 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 17, 1990, D.C. RUSHELEAU, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NEWBRIDGE
NETWORKS CORP. (TICKER: NNXC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING
DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,428.

-30- 351
#90284c0084 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, S.M. MCGRATH, DIR. OF ALLIANCE PHARMACEUTICAL CORP.
(TICKER: ALLP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING
DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,000.

-30- 347
#90284c0085 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, J.A. BONDI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF REPUBLIC HEALTH CORP. (TICKER: REPH), BOUGHT 31,257 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,257.

-30- 342
#90284c0086 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, B.P. MARSAL, PRES. OF REPUBLIC HEALTH CORP. (TICKER: REPH), BOUGHT 31,257 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,257.

-30- 320
#90284c0087 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, PAUL G ROLAND, DIR. OF ANACOMP INC. (TICKER: AAC), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,361.

-30- 297
#90284c0088 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, BERNARD W ABRAMS, OFFICER OF ABRAMS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ABRI), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 616,708.

-30- 315
#90284c0090 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, CHARLES D LEIN, DIR. OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,700.

-30- 304
#90284c0091 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT T BROWN, OFFICER OF AUTOCLAVE ENGINEERS INC. (TICKER: ACLV), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,018.

-30- 330
#90284c0092 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, MORGAN CHARLES D TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF ACXIOM CORP. (TICKER: ACXM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,691,923.

-30- 337
#90284c0093 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90284c0094 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,850,299.

-30- 342
#90284c0095 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, LEEAM LOWIN, BEN. OWNER OF AEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AELN), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90284c0096 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, LEEAM LOWIN, BEN. OWNER OF AEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AELN), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 466,200.

-30- 315
#90284c0098 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, AMERITRUST CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERITRUST CORP. (TICKER: AMTR), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90284c0099 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, AMERITRUST CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERITRUST CORP. (TICKER: AMTR), BOUGHT 39,216 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90284c0100 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, WILLIAM P CONNER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN OIL & GAS CORP. (DE) (TICKER: AOG), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90284c0101 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, WILLIAM P CONNER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN OIL & GAS CORP. (DE) (TICKER: AOG), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90284c0102 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, WILLIAM P CONNER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN OIL & GAS CORP. (DE) (TICKER: AOG), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90284c0103 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WILLIAM P CONNER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN OIL & GAS CORP. (DE) (TICKER: AOG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,000.

-30- 359
#90284c0104 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ARTHUR C HOFFMAN, DIR. OF ADVANCED POLYMER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: APOS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90284c0107 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ASHLAND OIL LEVER ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), SOLD 2,103 SHARES AT $32.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90284c0108 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ASHLAND OIL LEVER ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), SOLD 7,321 SHARES AT $32.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,823,817.

-30- 343
#90284c0109 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ASHLAND OIL LEVER ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $33.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90284c0110 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ASHLAND OIL LEVER ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90284c0111 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ASHLAND OIL LEVER ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), BOUGHT 913 SHARES AT $33.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 298

#90284c0112 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ASHLAND OIL LEVER ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90284c0113 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ASHLAND OIL LEVER ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), BOUGHT 126 SHARES AT $33.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90284c0115 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ALPHI INVESTMENT MGMT CO, BEN. OWNER OF AULT INC. (TICKER: AULT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 255,000.

-30- 333
#90284c0116 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, SAUL SOKOL, CHAIRMAN OF BANCINSURANCE CORP. (TICKER: BCIS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 573,220.

-30- 312
#90284c0117 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, RONALD GALE, DIR. OF BETHLEHEM CORP. (TICKER: BET), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,300.

-30- 300
#90284c0118 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, WALTER GILBERT, DIR. OF BIOGEN INC. (TICKER: BGEN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90284c0119 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, WALTER GILBERT, DIR. OF BIOGEN INC. (TICKER: BGEN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90284c0120 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, WALTER GILBERT, DIR. OF BIOGEN INC. (TICKER: BGEN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90284c0121 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, WALTER GILBERT, DIR. OF BIOGEN INC. (TICKER: BGEN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90284c0123 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, WALTER GILBERT, DIR. OF BIOGEN INC. (TICKER: BGEN), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 87,250.

-30- 295
#90284c0124 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ANGELO J BRUNO, SHAREHOLDER OF BIG B INC. (TICKER: BIGB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 474,160.

-30- 313
#90284c0125 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DAVID W KEMPER, DIR. OF BMA CORP. (TICKER: BMAC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,376.

-30- 291
#90284c0126 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ANTHONIE C VANEKRIS, CHAIRMAN OF BALFOUR MACLAINE CORP. (TICKER: BML), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,000.

-30- 336
#90284c0127 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY FIDENAS INVESTMENT LTD. OWNS 4,713,200 (13.15%) OF EMERSON RADIO CORP (TICKER: EME) OF NORTH BERGEN, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

FIDENAS INVESTMENT HAS ENTERED INTO CERTAIN AGREEMENTS WITH EMERSON RADIO TO REMAIN A LONG TERM INVESTOR IN THE COMPANY THROUGH REPRESENTATION ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FIDENAS INVESTMENT LTD PURCHASED 417,400 SHARES FROM AUGUST 7 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 16 FOR $1,328,044.

PURPOSE:

FOR INVESTMENT.

PLEASE NOTE: IT WAS EARLIER REPORTED THAT FIDENAS INVESTMENT LTD OWNED 29.44% OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. THAT INFORMATION IS INCORRECT. COMTEX REGRETS THE ERROR.

-30- 858
#90284c0128 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, DANIEL E GILL, CHAIRMAN OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $65.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

45,776.

-30- 317
#90284c0129 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JAMES W DIXON, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUCOM SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: BYTE), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 327
#90284c0131 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, DENNIS O GREEN, OFFICER OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90284c0132 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DENNIS O GREEN, OFFICER OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,700.

-30- 299
#90284c0133 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ALAN J WEBER, OFFICER OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,233.

-30- 300
#90284c0134 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ANGELO R MOZILO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE CREDIT INDUSTRY INC. (TICKER: CCR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 357,366.

-30- 356
#90284c0135 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ALAN W FOSTER, OFFICER OF CHEMDESIGN CORP. (TICKER: CDCC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,631.

-30- 313
#90284c0136 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, EDWARD G NAJJAR, DIR. OF CHEMDESIGN CORP. (TICKER: CDCC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,169.

-30- 309
#90284c0137 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, GEORGE R MANSER, DIR. OF CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. (TICKER: CDIC), SOLD 6,250 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90284c0139 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, NORTH AMERICAN NATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. (TICKER: CDIC), SOLD 6,250 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90284c0140 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, NORTH AMERICAN NATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION INC. (TICKER: CDIC), SOLD 37,500 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 749,270.

-30- 369
#90284c0141 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ROBERT H BECKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,800.

-30- 336
#90284c0142 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, FRANK M CHERF, DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,657.

-30- 302
#90284c0143 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, THOMAS W KILLILEA, DIR. OF CHANCELLOR CORP. (TICKER: CHCR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 313
#90284c0144 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 1,450 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 334
#90284c0145 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ALLAN S HOLDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,240.

-30- 350
#90284c0147 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, PATRICK W ROSE, DIR. OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,300.

-30- 328
#90284c0148 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HAROLD D FRIEND, PRES. OF CONTINENTAL TYRE LTD. (TICKER: CLTL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90284c0149 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, HAROLD D FRIEND, PRES. OF CONTINENTAL TYRE LTD. (TICKER: CLTL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.36 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90284c0150 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, HAROLD D FRIEND, PRES. OF CONTINENTAL TYRE LTD. (TICKER: CLTL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90284c0151 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HAROLD D FRIEND, PRES. OF CONTINENTAL TYRE LTD. (TICKER: CLTL), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $0.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,000.

-30- 325
#90284c0152 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HERBERT C PELL III, DIR. OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90284c0153 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HERBERT C PELL III, DIR. OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,737.

-30- 324

#90284c0155 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, HUBERT J P SCHOEMAKER, CHAIRMAN OF CENTOCOR INC. (TICKER: CNTO), SOLD 13,005 SHARES AT $39.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,638.

-30- 327
#90284c0156 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, CAPITAL SAVOY, DIR. OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90284c0157 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, BRAD C SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 14,300 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90284c0158 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BRAD C SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90284c0159 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, BRAD C SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90284c0160 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, BRAD C SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 9,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90284c0161 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, BRAD C SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 4,600 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90284c0163 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, BRAD C SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90284c0164 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, BRAD C SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90284c0165 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, BRAD C SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 9,800 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90284c0166 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, BRAD C SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90284c0167 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, BRAD C SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90284c0168 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, BRAD C SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 70,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90284c0169 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BRAD C SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,183,403.

-30- 326
#90284c0171 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90284c0172 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90284c0173 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 9,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90284c0174 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 4,600 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90284c0175 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90284c0176 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90284c0177 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90284c0179 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90284c0180 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90284c0181 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 70,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90284c0182 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,188,603.

-30- 326
#90284c0183 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 14,300 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90284c0184 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90284c0185 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90284c0187 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 4,600 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90284c0188 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90284c0189 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90284c0190 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90284c0191 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 9,800 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90284c0192 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90284c0193 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90284c0195 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING

INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,109,803.

-30- 352
#90284c0196 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 11,600 SHARES AT $39.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90284c0197 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $40.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90284c0198 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $39.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90284c0199 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $40.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90284c0200 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 13,100 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90284c0201 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA

POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90284c0203 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $40.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90284c0204 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, J R BRYAN JACKSON, DIR. OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $40.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,015.

-30- 331
#90284c0205 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ROBERT A WATSON, VP OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), SOLD 776 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,964.

-30- 320
#90284c0206 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, RODNEY NAHAMA, VP OF CAL REP BANCORP. (TICKER: CRBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 304
#90284c0207 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DAVID H RING, OFFICER OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90284c0208 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DAVID H RING, OFFICER OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,879.

-30- 314
#90284c0209 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, THOMAS M HEARNE, VP OF CHECK TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: CTCQ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 309
#90284c0211 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90284c0212 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90284c0213 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,043.

-30- 305
#90284c0214 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,398.

-30- 303
#90284c0215 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ANDREW J SORDONI III, CHAIRMAN OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 131,748.

-30- 317
#90284c0216 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, STEPHEN SORDONI, BEN. OWNER OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 127,198.

-30- 314
#90284c0217 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, WILLIAM B SORDONI, DIR. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 127,992.

-30- 303
#90284c0219 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DANIEL L THOMAS, BEN. OWNER OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,405.

-30- 321
#90284c0220 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, LINDA G ALVARADO, DIR. OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), BOUGHT 220 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 220.

-30- 311
#90284c0221 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HERIBERT DIEHL, DIR. OF DUTY FREE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DFII), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 406,311.

-30- 326
#90284c0222 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HEINEMANN GERB PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF DUTY FREE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DFII), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90284c0223 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HEINEMANN GERB PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF DUTY FREE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DFII), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,197,082.

-30- 370
#90284c0224 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, TIGER, BEN. OWNER OF DELPHI FINANCIAL GRP INC. (TICKER: DLFI), BOUGHT 8,100 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 329,200.

-30- 319
#90284c0225 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, FREDERICK H SCHULTZ, DIR. OF TRANSCO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: E), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $43.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90284c0227 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, FREDERICK H SCHULTZ, DIR. OF TRANSCO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: E), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $43.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90284c0228 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, FREDERICK H SCHULTZ, DIR. OF TRANSCO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: E), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $46.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90284c0229 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, GEORGE G RADCLIFFE, DIR. OF EA ENGINEERING SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: EACO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 359
#90284c0230 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, UNITED INVESTORS MGMT CO, BEN. OWNER OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 2,647,188 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,112,009.

-30- 383
#90284c0231 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, HERMAN SARKOWSKY, DIR. OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 388,378.

-30- 305
#90284c0232 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, GEORGE D COMBS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS CO. (TICKER: ESC), SOLD 19,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,266.

-30- 353
#90284c0233 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), BOUGHT 1,489 SHARES AT $49.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 272

#90284c0235 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), SOLD 4,720 SHARES AT $51.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90284c0236 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), BOUGHT 9,860 SHARES AT $49.93 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,159,547.

-30- 313
#90284c0237 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, MORRIS W ANDERSON, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST AMFED CORP. (TICKER: FAMF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,528.

-30- 319
#90284c0238 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, WALTER G KNESTRICK, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 336
#90284c0239 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DAVID K WILSON, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 129,861.

-30- 328
#90284c0240 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, H BOYD PETTIT III, DIR. OF FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP INC.

(TICKER: FRFD), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250.

-30- 332
#90284c0241 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JAMES W OBRIEN, OFFICER OF GENESCO INC. (TICKER: GCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 303
#90284c0243 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, CLIFFORD W STANLEY, PRES. OF GUEST SUPPLY INC. (TICKER: GEST), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,766.

-30- 318
#90284c0244 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOHN D NICHOLS, DIR. OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $33.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90284c0245 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JOHN D NICHOLS, DIR. OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 326
#90284c0246 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOHN D NICHOLS, DIR. OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,650.

-30- 324

#90284c0247 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DONALD P JACOBS, DIR. OF HARTMARX CORP. (TICKER: HMX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,524.

-30- 319
#90284c0248 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, LAWRENCE J MCCABE, VP OF HEINZ (H.J.) CO. (TICKER: HNZ), SOLD 17,900 SHARES AT $32.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90284c0249 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, LAWRENCE J MCCABE, VP OF HEINZ (H.J.) CO. (TICKER: HNZ), SOLD 12,100 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90284c0251 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, RALPH P HOFSTAD, DIR. OF HON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HONI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,300.

-30- 302
#90284c0252 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, EARL B OLSON, DIR. OF HORMEL (GEORGE A.) & CO. (TICKER: HRL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90284c0253 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, EARL B OLSON, DIR. OF HORMEL (GEORGE A.) & CO. (TICKER: HRL), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90284c0254 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, EARL B OLSON, DIR. OF HORMEL (GEORGE A.) & CO. (TICKER: HRL), BOUGHT 6,300 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90284c0255 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, EARL B OLSON, DIR. OF HORMEL (GEORGE A.) & CO. (TICKER: HRL), BOUGHT 11,200 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 325,000.

-30- 326
#90284c0256 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF HYDE ATHLETIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HYDE), BOUGHT 1,277 SHARES AT $3.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90284c0257 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF HYDE ATHLETIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HYDE), BOUGHT 3,591 SHARES AT $4.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90284c0259 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, FRANCIS L MILLER, CHAIRMAN OF ARCTIC ALASKA FISHERIES CORP. (TICKER: ICE), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,884,285.

-30- 347
#90284c0260 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.

(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90284c0261 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90284c0262 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90284c0263 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90284c0264 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90284c0265 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 250,000 SHARES AT $3.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90284c0267 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.

(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90284c0268 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90284c0269 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90284c0270 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90284c0271 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 21,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90284c0272 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, CARL E BERG, DIR. OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC.
(TICKER: IDTI), BOUGHT 23,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 2,926,979.

-30- 345
#90284c0273 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JOHN C APPEL, VP OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,135.

-30- 337
#90284c0275 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, RICHARD D MCFARLAND, CHAIRMAN OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,314.

-30- 362
#90284c0276 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF INFORMATION INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: IINT), BOUGHT 1,197 SHARES AT $10.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90284c0277 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF INFORMATION INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: IINT), BOUGHT 1,277 SHARES AT $10.57 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 372,057.

-30- 356
#90284c0278 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DOUGLAS P BOYD, CHAIRMAN OF IMATRON INC. (TICKER: IMAT), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.57 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,793,117.

-30- 313
#90284c0279 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ROBERT M POWERS, DIR. OF ILLINOIS POWER CO. (TICKER: IPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90284c0280 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ROBERT M POWERS, DIR. OF ILLINOIS POWER CO. (TICKER: IPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,400.

-30- 314
#90284c0281 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, TERRY S JACOBS, CHAIRMAN OF JACOR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: JCOR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90284c0283 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, TTEE OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 22,775 SHARES AT $23.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90284c0284 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, TTEE OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 41,300 SHARES AT $21.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90284c0285 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, TTEE OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $22.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90284c0286 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, TTEE OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 6,307 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90284c0287 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, TTEE OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $21.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90284c0288 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, TTEE OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 24,035 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90284c0289 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, TTEE OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 23,300 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,551,214.

-30- 319
#90284c0291 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, J PETER KLEIFGEN, DIR. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90284c0292 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, J PETER KLEIFGEN, DIR. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 296
#90284c0293 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, J PETER KLEIFGEN, DIR. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 295
#90284c0294 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, T HUNT PAYNE, OFFICER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,142.

-30- 299
#90284c0295 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, LGZ INC, BEN. OWNER OF KEY TRONIC CORP. (TICKER: KTCC), SOLD 125,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,485,900.

-30- 309
#90284c0296 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, LEWIS G ZIRKLES SR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF KEY TRONIC CORP. (TICKER: KTCC), SOLD 125,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,487,900.

-30- 369
#90284c0297 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, W HAYNE HIPP, PRES. OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $48.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90284c0299 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, W HAYNE HIPP, PRES. OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $46.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90284c0300 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, W HAYNE HIPP, PRES. OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC),

SOLD 100 SHARES AT $46.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90284c0301 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROMAN J KLUSAS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LILLY INDUSTRIAL COATING INC. (TICKER: LICI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,497.

-30- 355
#90284c0302 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, LEONARD BOXER, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,598,912.

-30- 314
#90284c0303 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DANA E MARGOLIS, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 6,476 SHARES AT $1.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,476.

-30- 342
#90284c0304 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 52,243 SHARES AT $1.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90284c0305 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90284c0307 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90284c0308 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90284c0309 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 5,300 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90284c0310 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90284c0311 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90284c0312 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,630,996.

-30- 319

#90284c0313 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90284c0315 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $23.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90284c0316 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $22.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90284c0317 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90284c0318 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90284c0319 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 12,200 SHARES AT $24.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90284c0320 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90284c0321 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $23.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90284c0323 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90284c0324 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $20.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90284c0325 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298

#90284c0326 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $19.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,502,525.

-30- 341
#90284c0327 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, JAMES S KOFORD, VP OF LSI LOGIC CORP. (TICKER: LSI), SOLD 2,600 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90284c0328 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, JAMES S KOFORD, VP OF LSI LOGIC CORP. (TICKER: LSI), SOLD 12,200 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 111,250.

-30- 301
#90284c0329 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ALVIN RUSH, VP OF MCA INC. (TICKER: MCA), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $53.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 238
#90284c0331 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ALVIN RUSH, VP OF MCA INC. (TICKER: MCA), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $54.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,500.

-30- 274
#90284c0332 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JOHN G PACEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90284c0333 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JOHN G PACEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 251,021.

-30- 334
#90284c0334 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90284c0335 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90284c0336 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90284c0337 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90284c0339 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 90,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90284c0340 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,845,000.

-30- 327
#90284c0341 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROBERT P MCGRATH, CHAIRMAN OF MCGRATH RENTCORP. (TICKER: MGRC), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,202,477.

-30- 328
#90284c0342 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILSON ANDERSON, AFFILIATED PERSON OF MID-AM INC. (TICKER: MIAM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,606.

-30- 325
#90284c0343 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, THOMAS S NONEMAN, DIR. OF MID-AM INC. (TICKER: MIAM), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90284c0344 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DESMOND P MCDONALD, DIR. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,044.

-30- 313
#90284c0345 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ALFRED E CLEVELAND, DIR. OF MID-SOUTH INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: MIDS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,400.

-30- 328
#90284c0347 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JOE A ROSE, VP OF NATIONAL DATA CORP. (TICKER: NDTA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90284c0348 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, LESTER J LLOYD, SHAREHOLDER OF NELLCOR INC. (TICKER: NELL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90284c0349 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, LESTER J LLOYD, SHAREHOLDER OF NELLCOR INC. (TICKER: NELL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,516.

-30- 314
#90284c0350 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 31, 1988, PETER COLLINS, DIR. OF NATIONAL HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: NHCS), BOUGHT 15,600 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,600.

-30- 334
#90284c0351 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1989, PETER COLLINS, DIR. OF NATIONAL HEALTH CARE SYS INC. (TICKER: NHCS), BOUGHT 9,700 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,300.

-30- 332
#90284c0352 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, PAUL X KELLEY, DIR. OF PHH CORP. (TICKER: PHH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 284
#90284c0353 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, SAMUEL H BROWN, DIR. OF PUGET SOUND BANCORP. (TICKER: PSNB), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,600.

-30- 317
#90284c0355 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GEORGE L COLEMAN, DIR. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $79.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124,263.

-30- 305
#90284c0356 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, FRANKLIN SHAH, VP OF QUME CORP. (TICKER: QUME), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 248
#90284c0357 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, FRANKLIN SHAH, VP OF QUME CORP. (TICKER: QUME), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 113,019.

-30- 287
#90284c0358 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JOHN M ELDRED, DIR. OF REGAL-BELOIT CORP. (TICKER: RBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 303
#90284c0359 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, FRANCIS G RONNENBERG, VP OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 23,850 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 106,660.

-30- 332
#90284c0360 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, SHERMAN T MAYNE, PRES. OF RADIATION DISPOSAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RDIS), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90284c0361 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, SHERMAN T MAYNE, PRES. OF RADIATION DISPOSAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RDIS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90284c0363 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, ROBERT L KILIAN, OFFICER OF REYNOLDS & REYNOLDS CO. (TICKER: REY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 324
#90284c0364 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ERWIN D KNAUER, VP OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,600.

-30- 308
#90284c0365 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, WALKER A WOJCIK JR, OFFICER OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 323
#90284c0366 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, THOMAS H POTTS, PRES. OF RAC MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CORP. (TICKER: RMR), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 201,692.

-30- 337
#90284c0367 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, B OWEN WILLIAMS, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), SOLD 680 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 998.

-30- 292
#90284c0368 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JANICE R KONKOL, VP OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,049.

-30- 323
#90284c0369 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, CLAYTON H NIELSEN, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 115 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 115.

-30- 331
#90284c0371 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, CLAYTON H NIELSEN, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,315.

-30- 330
#90284c0372 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RICHARD M HAYS, DIR. OF RMI TITANIUM CO. (TICKER: RTI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90284c0373 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RICHARD M HAYS, DIR. OF RMI TITANIUM CO. (TICKER: RTI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,300.

-30- 304
#90284c0374 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JAMES W HALLSEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. (TICKER: SFD), SOLD 6,800 SHARES AT $27.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90284c0375 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ROBERT F ORTEGEL, VP OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $22.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,002.

-30- 320
#90284c0376 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RONALD F SAUPE, VP OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90284c0377 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RONALD F SAUPE, VP OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,500.

-30- 317
#90284c0379 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1989, FRANZ A LOEHR, DIR. OF SCHULMAN (A.) INC. (TICKER:

SHLM), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,313.

-30- 311
#90284c0380 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOHN G BREEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW), SOLD 8,700 SHARES AT $33.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90284c0381 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOHN G BREEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW), SOLD 9,344 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 170,058.

-30- 323
#90284c0382 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DIDIER PRIMAT, DIR. OF SCHLUMBERGER LTD. N.V. (TICKER: SLB), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $66.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,154,500.

-30- 321
#90284c0383 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JOSEPH F ALIBRANDI, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 328
#90284c0384 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, NICHOLAS B BINKLEY, OFFICER OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,546.

-30- 333
#90284c0385 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, TIMM F CRULL, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 316
#90284c0387 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, LAWRENCE O KITCHEN, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90284c0388 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, LAWRENCE O KITCHEN, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $25.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 320
#90284c0389 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JOHN F KOOKEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,364.

-30- 343
#90284c0390 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JOHN P SINGLETON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 349
#90284c0391 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, HALLIBURTON CO, BEN. OWNER OF SCIENTIFIC SOFTWARE-INTERCOMP INC. (TICKER: SSFT), BOUGHT 200,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800,000.

-30- 365
#90284c0392 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, MICHAEL E ROSEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHOP TELEVISION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: STNP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90284c0393 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, MICHAEL E ROSEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHOP TELEVISION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: STNP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90284c0395 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DONALD T PASCAL, OFFICER OF SYLVAN FOODS HLDGS INC. (TICKER: SYLN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90284c0396 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DONALD T PASCAL, OFFICER OF SYLVAN FOODS HLDGS INC. (TICKER: SYLN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 329
#90284c0397 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, KENNETH S GUNTER, DIR. OF TCA CABLE TV INC. (TICKER: TCAT), BOUGHT 2,113 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,913.

-30- 315

#90284c0398 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, EDWARD M MAZZE, DIR. OF TECHNITROL INC. (TICKER: TNL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 297
#90284c0399 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, BCE INC, BEN. OWNER OF TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LTD. (TICKER: TRP), SOLD 37,500,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,647,081.

-30- 339
#90284c0400 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, MARCY BARRIST, OFFICER OF U.S. HEALTHCARE INC. (TICKER: USHC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90284c0401 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, MARCY BARRIST, OFFICER OF U.S. HEALTHCARE INC. (TICKER: USHC), SOLD 2,499 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90284c0403 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, LEON C HIRSCH, CHAIRMAN OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $50.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90284c0404 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, LEON C HIRSCH, CHAIRMAN OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $51.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90284c0405 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, LEON C HIRSCH, CHAIRMAN OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $51.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90284c0406 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, LEON C HIRSCH, CHAIRMAN OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $51.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,694,602.

-30- 323
#90284c0407 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, TURI JOSEFSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $54.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 371,894.

-30- 337
#90284c0408 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, HERBERT W KORTHOFF, OFFICER AND DIR. OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $54.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90284c0409 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, HERBERT W KORTHOFF, OFFICER AND DIR. OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $54.65 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90284c0411 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, HERBERT W KORTHOFF, OFFICER AND DIR. OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 5,100 SHARES AT $54.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90284c0412 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, HERBERT W KORTHOFF, OFFICER AND DIR. OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 8,600 SHARES AT $54.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90284c0413 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, HERBERT W KORTHOFF, OFFICER AND DIR. OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $54.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90284c0414 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, HERBERT W KORTHOFF, OFFICER AND DIR. OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 17,600 SHARES AT $54.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,000.

-30- 345
#90284c0415 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, JOE B FOSTER, DIR. OF VALERO ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: VLO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,922.

-30- 308
#90284c0416 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, RICHARD G SPEZZANO, VP OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 316
#90284c0417 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, TAIHAN ELECTRIC WIRE CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF VERSUS TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: VSTI), BOUGHT 250,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,000.

-30- 363
#90284c0419 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, FREDERIC B HORNE, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF WATTS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WATT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $38.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90284c0420 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JOHN W TURNER, PRES. OF WALLACE COMPUTER SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WCS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 322
#90284c0421 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PETER J DEANGELIS, DIR. OF WORLDWIDE COMPUTER SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WCSI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,615.

-30- 338
#90284c0422 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, THOMAS F DRAPER JR, VP OF WELLMAN INC. (TICKER: WLM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 292
#90284c0423 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, FRANK S WYLE, DIR. OF WYLE LABORATORIES (TICKER: WYL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175,003.

-30- 309

#90284c0424 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JOHN J LEE, DIR. OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 246
#90284c0425 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JOHN J LEE, DIR. OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 288
#90284c0427 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DAVID C TJOSVOLD, PRES. OF YUKON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: YUKN), SOLD 19,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,488,708.

-30- 322
#90284c0428 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

A. HARA OF TOKYO, JAPAN OWNS 1,057,320 SHARES (6.90%) OF BALDWIN TECHNOLOGY CO INC (TICKER: BLD) OF ROWAYTON, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

A. Hara has obtained rights to 86,714 class A shares pursuant to an agreement dated Nov. 16, 1988 and executed Mar. 29, 1990.

-30- 460
#90284c0429 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

STONERIDGE RESOURCES INC OF BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI OWNS 5,353,160 SHARES (52.50%) OF ORANGE CO INC (TICKER: OJ) OF LAKE HAMILTON, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 9, 1990, Stoneridge Resources Inc. sent a letter to Orange Co. Inc. recommending that Orange Co. Inc. adopt a plan for disposition of its assets and declare a series of liquidating dividends as cash proceeds become available.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Stoneridge Resources Inc. purchased 900 shares from Sept. 21-24, 1990 for $5.63 to $5.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Letter to Orange Co. Inc.

-30- 767
#90284c0430 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY R.A. SAMANS OWNS 1,238,555 SHARES (38.90%) OF SCANFORMS INC (TICKER: SCFM) OF BRISTOL, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 14, 1990, the company removed Mr. Morris as the chairman of the board and treasurer and replaced him with Samans. Morris filed a complaint in US District Court against R.A. Samans and Mr. Carcioppolo on Sept. 20, 1990 alleging various breaches of fiduciary duty. On Sept. 23, 1990, the court in the New York Action granted the motion of Carcioppolo and Samans and the members to dismiss the causes of action relating to the alleged right of first refusal, tortious interfering by Samans with the alleged contractual right and breach by Carcioppolo of his alleged fiduciary duty to Morris and aiding and abetting by the other defendants of such breach of fiduciary duty. The remaining claims, relating to the Cybermatics indemnification and stock sale, remain in effect. As a result of the dismissal of claims relating to the proposed sale of Carcioppolo's company stock, the court vacated the Sept. 5 order and denied Moriss' motion for a preliminary injunction. On Sept. 27, 1990, the company and Samans filed a complaint against Moriss which alleged, among other things, that the sale of Carcioppolo's shares to the members was of material interest and benefit to the company due to Levine's background and expertise as a financial consultant to businesses allied to the business of the company. The complaint seeks preliminary and permanent injunctive relief against Moriss. The company and Samans then filed a motion to dismiss the Federal Action. On Oct. 2, 1990, Carciopolo sold and delivered to the members

600,000 shares of the company's shares pursuant to the purchase agreement dated Sept. 5, 1990. At a special meeting on Oct. 2, 1990, the board elected Levine and Seidman to the board and adopted a resolution that, in connection with the next annual meeting, the board will be reduced from five to four members. Samans entered into an option agreement that allows him to purchase 250,620 shares for $,75 per share from Carcioppolo. The board also approved an employment agreement for Samans and a consulting agreement with Levine as well as appointing Bleakley, Platt & Schmidt as special consultant to the company in connection with matters relating to mergers and acquisitions.

-30- 2554
#90284c0431 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 28, 1990, Electronic Control Systems Inc.(TICKER: ELCS) announced that its board had approved the merger proposal made by Control Techniques (USA) Inc. of $2.43 per share, subject to cost adjustments of up to $.05 per share.

PURPOSE:

Approval of merger proposal.

-30- 515
#90284c0432 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY CENTRAL CAPITAL CORP OF HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA OWNS 6,791,969 SHARES (61.90%) OF INTER-CITY PRODUCTS CORP (TICKER: IPR) OF WINNIPEG, MANITOBA CANADA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 4, 1990, Central Capital Corp. purchased 112,500 shares for Cdn.$5.63 per share.

-30- 495
#90284c0433 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY CENTRAL CAPITAL CORP OF HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA OWNS 1,358,548 SHARES (55.60%) OF INTER-CITY PRODUCTS CORP (TICKER: IPR) OF WINNIPEG, MANITOBA CANADA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 4, 1990, Central Capital Corp. purchased 112,500 shares for Cdn.$5.63 per share.

-30- 495
#90284c0435 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GENERAL CINEMA CORP OF CHESTNUT HILL, MA OWNS 13,200,000 SHARES (1.90%) OF CADBURY SCHWEPPES P L C (TICKER: CADB) OF CHESTNUT HILL, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

General Cinema Corp. sold 98,606,384 shares on Oct. 4, 1990 for 3.05 pounds per share to Cazenove & Co. and Barclays de Zoete Wedd Securities Ltd.

-30- 510
#90284c0436 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 3, 1990, Joseph Somario sold all 72,800 shares of Nobility Homes (TICKER: NOBH) common stock at an undisclosed price.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 375
#90284c0437 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 5, 1990, Sarlo sold 352,581 shares of Xscribe Corp.(TICKER: XSCR) common stock at a price of $0.156 per share.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 347
#90284c0438 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As previously announced, NII(TICKER: NII) intends to encourage brokers to help meet the Nov. 6, 1990 deadline by paying $.05 per unit for each valid consent to the amendment condition, provided that the amendment is adopted.

-30- 439
#90284c0439 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 10, 1990, the Southerland/Rosenstein Group filed a supplemental and amended counterclaim and third party claim for injunctive relief in a Texas District Court. The counterclaim alleges the company engaged in false and misleading communications with shareholders and asks for an injunction prohibiting future securities and proxy law violations and mandating corrective disclosure.

-30- 597
#90284c0440 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 692,394 SHARES (44.90%)

OF HUDSON GENERAL CORP (TICKER: HGC) OF GREATNECK, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 20 to Oct. 9, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 8,800 shares for $12.63 to $13 per share, sold 4,500 shares for $12.88 to $14.66 per share, purchased 412 convertible bonds for $54 to $68.50 per bond and sold 75 convertible bonds for $54.50 to $65 per bond.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 673
#90284c0441 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GOREN BROS OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 156,300 SHARES (8.00%) OF BCI GEONETICS INC (TICKER: BCGN) OF LACONIA, NH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Goren Bros. purchased 70,000 shares on Sept. 25, 1990 for $1.25 per share.

-30- 406
#90284c0443 10/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a letter agreement dated Sept. 27, 1990, Echo Bay Mines LTD (TICKER: ECO) sold on Oct. 9, 1990, 403,140 shares to Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. and sold 595,000 shares to Yorktown Continental Securities Inc. for $6 per share.

-30- 439
#90284c0444 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY BRADCO SUPPLY CORP OF AVENEL, NJ OWNS 88,000 SHARES (7.30%) OF TRIANGLE HOME PRODUCTS (TICKER: THP) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Barry Segal has filed an agreement that this amendment no. 5 is filed on his behalf.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 30, 1990 through Oct. 3, 1990, Bradco Supply Corp. sold 20,000 shares at a price of $.625 per share and purchased 42,100 shares at a price of $0.46 to $0.63 per share.

-30- 651
#90284c0445 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

S.B. DAVIS OWNS 382,313 SHARES (17.60%) OF LIQUI BOX CORP (TICKER: LIQB) OF WORTHINGTON, OH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 40,000 common shares subject to options held by S.B. Davis that are exercisable within the next 60 days and 18,383 common shares held for his account in the Liqui-Box Corp. Employee Stock Ownership Plan.

-30- 553
#90284c0446 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 40

GROUP LED BY NATIONAL INSURANCE INDEMNITY CO OWNS 446,200 SHARES (51.35%) OF WELLCO ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: WLC) OF WAYNESVILLE, NC.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 18 through Oct. 4, 1990, National Insurance Indemnity Co. purchased 13,000 shares for an aggregate price of $163,184.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 539

#90284c0447 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 12) COMTEX - Scotts Valley, Calif.-based Borland International Inc.(TICKER: BORL) has agreed to acquire a 33-acre Scotts Valley plot from that city for $15.1 million.

The company plans to use the land to build office facilities in fiscal 1992, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 11, 1990.

-30- 572

#90284c0448 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 12) COMTEX - Colorado Ranch Investors, a subsidiary of Phoenix-based International Leisure Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: ILEX), has sold a 1,815-acre forested plot, known as Ross Springs Ranch, to Arthur J. Martori for $400,000.

International Leisure sold the land because of liquidity problems, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Martori is a director and controlling shareholder of International Leisure.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 11, 1990.

-30- 693

#90284c0449 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 12) COMTEX - San Diego-based PS Group Inc.(TICKER: PSG) has amended its poison-pill shareholder rights plan to accommodate Omaha, Neb. billionaire investor Warren E. Buffett, who plans to raise his stake in the aircraft leasor to 22.27 percent.

Under the previous poison pill, if an investor were to accumulate more than 20 percent of the company's stock, other shareholders would be allowed to buy additional stock at a discount.

The amended poison pill is triggered when an investor accumulates 22.5 percent according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 11, 1990.

-30- 828

#90284c0451 10/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 12) COMTEX - Construction of a water-treatment plant and related facilities at a Leadville, Colo., joint mining venture between Newmont Mining Corp.(TICKER: NEM and ASARCO Inc. is estimated to cost as much as $24.2 million.

An estimate of the costs was projected in response to a suit brought by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency against the joint venture, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The costs of the plant would be split evenly between Newmont and ASARCO.

The joint venture has notified its insurers that it believes the costs of the treatment plant are covered under its liability insurance policy.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 11, 1990.

-30- 931

#90284d0580 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 11) - French direct foreign investments have tripled since 1986, to reach 115.2 billion francs (now about 22 billion dollars) last year, according to a study by the finance ministry released here this week.

While such direct foreign investment was on the order of 20 billion francs a year from 1981 to 1985, the improvement that then took place in French companies' financial situation led to higher investment by French business, both in the country and abroad, the study says. Direct foreign investment hit 36.2 billion francs as early as 1986.

Physical investments by companies in France in value terms rose by 10 per cent a year in 1987-89, against an average of 47 percent a year for their foreign investments, the ministry notes.

The surge reflected an increasing trend to internationalization, restructuring and concentration of production facilities on a world scale.

Since 1986, such investments have been concentrated in the Organization for

Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) area, particularly in the European Economic Community (EEC), as it moves toward a unified market.

In 1988, investments in the OECD area accounted for almost 96 percent of French direct investment abroad, with investments in the EEC representing two-thirds of that amount.

The investments in Europe relate primarily to the services sector, such as banking and insurance (80.4 percent of 1988 investments). This is due to the liberalization of financial operations within the Community in connection with completion of the unified domestic market.

The United States attracted a fourth of French direct foreign investment in 1988, 45.5 percent of the French manufacturing sector's foreign investments and 9.2 percent of the services sector's.

-30- 1978

#90284d0740 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (OCT. 11) - During his three-day visit to Moscow next week, Secretary of State Dick Cheney will again request Soviet intelligence on Iraq's defensive firepower, a Pentagon official said Thursday.

The official said the Soviets had not met previous U.S. requests for detailed information on Iraq's mostly Soviet-made military hardware, responding instead with generalities on Iraqi intentions in Kuwait.

Mr. Cheney will meet with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, and his Soviet counterpart Dimitri Yazov during his October 17-18 Moscow visit.

KGB chief Vladimir Kryuchkov said last month during an interview in Moscow that he was ready to share secret information on Iraq with the United States, but never made the offer official.

Nearly all the estimated 3,500 tanks and most of the combat aircraft deployed in southern Iraq and Kuwait since Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2 are Soviet made said the Pentagon official.

Before Moscow, Mr. Cheney will be in London October 13-16, and afterward in Paris October 19-22.

Meanwhile, Soviet deputy foreign minister Vladimir Petrovsky said Thursday at U.N. headquarters in New York that his country has suggested that the U.N. Military Staff Committee meet at its highest level to discuss the Gulf crisis.

The Military Staff Committee -- composed of military officials of the five permanent member nations of the U.N. Security Council -- regularly meets at the

military attache level.

Mr. Petrovsky said that Moscow has suggested that the five -- Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the United States -- meet at the armed forces chief of staff level.

The suggestion, he said, was included in a memorandum given to U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar on suggestions to strengthen the U.N. role in crisis management.

-30- 2070

#90284d0820 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (OCT 12) - The Syrian Army deployed tanks and troops around areas controlled by Lebanese Christian chief General Michel Aoun late Thursday, local residents and security sources said.

Gen. Aoun meanwhile called for mobilization of the population within his territory against a possible invasion.

Local residents said Syrian tanks, armoured vehicles, personnel carriers and jeeps were moving toward the frontline southeast of Beirut, facing the presidential palace where Gen. Aoun has his headquarters.

"I am taking this threat seriously. I cannot say that it is a psychological ploy," the Christian leader told Agence France-Presse by telephone.

He said that he did not think the Syrian forces were ready to launch an attack Thursday night, and added that if they intended to do so, they would probably wait until Friday morning.

The troop movements which started at 7 p.m. (1600 GMT) were continuing, local residents said. Syrian Army checkpoints in mainly Moslem west Beirut were left almost unmanned.

Security sources said the army had over the past 24 hours moved tanks, artillery, anti-mine devices and troop reinforcements to the frontline in the mountains southeast of the capital.

The operation follows a call from the Damascus-backed president, Elias Hrawi, for Syrian military aid to help the government extend its control over Lebanese territory, according to government sources.

Gen. Aoun refuses to recognize President Hrawi and controls almost 300 square kilometres (120 square miles) of Christian territory in the Metn region, home to around 500,000 people.

The government has imposed a blockade on the Metn since September 28 to

pressure the general, who has rejected a year-old Arab peace plan for Lebanon because it failed to call for the withdrawal of Syrian troops.

Around 35,000 Syrian troops are deployed in the mainly Moslem portion of the country.

-30- 2131

#90284d5480 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA (OCT. 11) - Bulgaria's socialist (ex-communist) government on Wednesday submitted a program of economic reform to parliament, warning the shock measures would cause pain.

The project, conceived by economic experts from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, would abolish most state subsidies and end price controls on more than 40 percent of all goods before the end of the year.

The price of fuel would immediately be aligned with the international market.

Prime Minister Andrei Lukanov, presenting the draft program, warned that its immediate and long-term measures would be "extremely painful."

The government requested a 300-day moratorium on strikes or action which "could destablize the economic and social situation even further."

Before the end of the month, the government is to submit a draft law on foreign investment that will allow foreign commercial banks to open branches in Bulgaria by the end of the year.

Beginning January 1, the Bulgarian currency, the lev, is to have a single rate replacing the three rates currently applied.

Exporters will have the right to buy foreign currency and Bulgarian citizens will be able to deposit foreign currency into personal bank accounts without having to show where the money came from.

A stock exchange should be opened in Sofia towards the middle of next year.

The reform project includes measures to help the most disadvantaged adjust to a market economy, including compensation for the rise in energy and food prices.

"The Bulgarian nation must wake up and accept the reality of the world we live in," Mr. Lukanov told parliament. "We must go ahead with radical reforms and accept the difficulties or else go backwards towards self-destruction or towards a new totalitarianism."

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#90284d5920 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (OCT. 11) - German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said he favors a 30 percent tax reduction for employers and workers in the former East Germany as an incentive for them to remain in the east, in an interview in Thursday's edition of the Cologne paper Express.

Mr. Genscher said "such fiscal advantages could incite qualified workers to work in the new Laender", meaning the East German states now merged with the west.

Residents of the former East Germany "who would perhaps like to move to the west would remain home with such advantages. They would also more easily accept receiving a smaller salary for the same work" than in the other German states.

Mr. Genscher, who heads the electoral list for the small Free Democrats Party in the first all-German elections in December, felt it was up to the federal government to create such incentives to "attract investments" to the former East German states.

He also felt the incentives should apply to both big and small companies.

Mr. Genscher conceded that differences remain on this question.

While his Free Democrats want to lower taxes, the opposition Social Democrats want to increase taxes, and the Christian Democratic Union of Chancellor Helmut Kohl wants to keep the status quo.

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#90284d5930 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DHAKA (OCT. 11) - At least 640 fishermen were still missing in the Bay of Bengal after a storm that lashed coastal Bangladesh two days ago, press reports said here Thursday.

The official BSS news agency, quoting a top official in southeastern Cox's Bazar district, it was hoped the missing would turn up in two or three days.

Bangladesh Navy ships were searching for them.

Some 500 boats with 5,000 fishermen aboard were missing just after the storm, which left at least 70 people dead.

The worst-hit islands of Swandip and nearby Urir Char were still under two to three feet (60 to 90 centimetres) of sea water, newspapers reported Thursday.

Deltaic Bangladesh is hit by twisters every October and November.

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#90284d6170 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (OCT. 11) - Shares in Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. tumbled to an almost five year low of 5.92 Australian dollars on Thursday due to continued fears about the group's debt.

Debt woes also pushed John Elliott's Elders IXL shares down to a 57-month low and shares in Peter Abeles' transport giant TNT Ltd. dropped to a four-year low.

Brokers said TNT fell 13 cents to 1.55 dollars, its lowest level since 1986, due to fears about its high debt level and price-cutting wars when airline deregulation starts next month. A month ago it was trading at 2.30 dollars.

Higher oil prices from the Gulf crisis also affect the international transport giant, which owns half of domestic carrier Ansett Australia with News Corp.

At one stage News Corp. slipped 58 cents to 5.80 dollars before it recovered. The stock was trading at 11.50 dollars in September.

Brokers said the international media giant was besieged by concern over its debts -- which some estimates place at 10 billion dollars (8.2 billion U.S.) -- in particular its high percentage of short-term borrowings.

Elders fell eight cents to 1.10 dollars, its lowest level since January 1986, on debt woes and doubts its proposed brewing deals would not go ahead.

Elders recently reported a loss of 1.3 billion dollars (1.07 billion U.S.) in the year to June 30.

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#90284d6240 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 11) - The Japanese Finance Ministry will send inspectors to several European branches of the Sumitomo Bank in a few days' time to investigate the bank's operations in the wake of its lending scandal, ministry sources said Thursday.

The investigation is to be carried out mainly on Sumitomo Bank's loan lendings related with real estate and stock trading by its European branches in London and Paris, the sources said.

Last Sunday, Sumitomo Bank chairman Ichiro Isoda announced his resignation to take responsibility for the arrest of a former branch manager for his illegal lending to stock speculators.

Sumitomo Bank, based in Osaka, is the highest profit-earning bank among the 13

major Japanese commercial banks.

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#90284d6470 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 11) - The Ministry of Communications has approved eight new shipping berths at two ports in Shandong province, seen as a Chinese gateway for trade with South Korea.

They include two general cargo berths, a mineral ore berth, a fertilizer berth and two timber berths at the port of Yantai and two timber berths at Shijiu, the New China News Agency (NCNA) reported.

Construction at Yantai began in April 1985 and at Shijiu in August 1987.

NCNA did not say if the berths had already gone into operation.

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#90284d6500 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 11) - Chinese provinces are positioning themselves to benefit from the creation of a major new financial and industrial center in the eastern city of Shanghai.

The Pudong development project, the first phase of which will cost 10 billion dollars, is designed to become the frontier for foreign investment and a motor of the Chinese economy in the next century.

High-level delegations from nearby Jiangsu, Zhejiang, and Shandong provinces as well as from Heilongjiang and Jilin in the northeast have visited Shanghai to negotiate cooperation agreements, the New China News Agency (NCNA) reported.

The 10 provinces though which the Yangtze river flows are also planning to make good use of the waterway by cooperating with Shanghai, which is at the mouth of the river.

China's decade-old open door policy has until now mainly benefitted coastal provinces and those in the south which neighbor economic powers Taiwan and Hong Kong.

More than 70 delegations from local governments and 500 representatives of Chinese enterprises have already negotiated investments in Shanghai high-tech,

petrochemical, banking, construction and textile ventures, NCNA said, but gave no figures for the amount of investment involved.

Pudong, a 350 square kilometer (140 square mile) area, will offer preferential treatment to foreign investors, with the goal of making it a top financial and

industrial center in the Asia-Pacific region.

Some 4,000 foreign businessmen have visited Shanghai in recent months from the United States, Germany, Britain, Switzerland, Japan, South Korea, Hong Kong and Taiwan, NCNA said.

It said that many of the businessmen signed contracts establishing joint ventures or enterprises using 100 per cent foreign funds.

An international finance seminar is to be held from Sunday through Wednesday in Shanghai, presided over by Maurice Greenberg, chairman of American International Insurance.

The seminar will address ways to assure the financial development of Shanghai, China's most populous city.

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#90284d6540 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 11) - The United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control (UNFDAC) has pledged financial support for a proposed joint Thai-Burmese anti-narcotics programme, a senior UNFDAC official said here Thursday.

UNFDAC field advisor Odd Hallhiam said his organization would give "some million dollars" if such a project was taken up by the two governments.

Mr. Hallhiam said the UNFDAC, which holds a mandate from the United Nations to fight drug abuse worldwide, had in December last year initiated support for joint anti-narcotics activities at the sub-regional level.

The organization made the proposal to Burma's military junta, officially called the State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC). This was followed by a meeting of Thai, Burmese and U.N. officials at the UNFDAC headquarters in Vienna in January, Mr. Hallhiam said.

The Thai and Burmese sides decided in Vienna to further discuss the issue and plan to hold another meeting in December this year, before submitting a final detailed proposal to the UNFDAC office here for consideration.

Funding would come "in the context of an agreement by both countries," he said adding that the UNFDAC's assistance would not infringe on the internal political affairs of the countries involved.

Thailand has been listed by the United States' Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) as the largest "transshipment country" in Southeast Asia, where 80 per cent of the drugs smuggled in from neighbouring Burma and Laos are shipped to Europe and the United States.

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#90284d6560 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 11) - The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has nudged international financial markets towards concerted actions to restore South Africa's access to foreign capital, the respected Business Day newspaper said Thursday.

In a report datelined Washington, the newspaper said that this year's confidential IMF staff report on South Africa gave President Frederik de Klerk's reform initiatives and the tight monetary policies of the Reserve Bank unprecedented acclaim.

Prepared for the IMF's executive directors after its annual staff mission to South Africa in June, the report said the government had achieved a "considerable dismantling of the effective system of apartheid".

In a thinly-veiled signal to international capital markets, it called for concerted action to "raise the economy's access to savings, both domestic and foreign," and described as a "matter of urgency" the reversal of international banks' refusal to extend further credit in 1985, the Business Day said.

The IMF said changes currently under way were most encouraging and promised for the first time in decades the opportunity to address fundamental social issues underlying economic weaknesses.

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#90284d6580 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WINDHOEK (OCT. 11) - A car assembly plant is to be established in Namibia with a view to exporting vehicles to South Africa, Namibian Finance Minister Otto Herringel said here Thursday.

Mr. Herringel did not give the name of the company involved, but said it would export cars to other African countries at a later stage.

The plant would be built at Gobabis, 130 kilometres (80 miles) from the Botswana border.

A tarred road linking Gobabis to South Africa's Witwatersrand -- the Johannesburg region -- through Botswana is expected to be completed by 1994.

Mr, Herringel said the Botswana government had started work on its section of the road and the Namibian government would begin construction when the road reached the border.

Business sources told the South African news agency Sapa earlier that a leading French motor manufacturing company had shown interest in investing in

Namibia.

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#90284d6610 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FRANKFURT, GERMANY (OCT. 11) - The reunified Germany had a balance of payments surplus of 390 million Deutsche marks (243.7 million dollars) in August, according to provisional figures published here Thursday by the Bundesbank.

The German balance of payments surplus stood at 628 million Deutsche marks (392.5 million dollars) in July.

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#90284d6630 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DHAKA (OCT. 11) - The Bangladesh capital Thursday was gripped by an opposition-called half-day strike to protest alleged police brutality and condemn the killing of at least six activists during violent anti-government demonstrations.

An eight-party alliance led by Sheikh Hasina Wajed's Awami League, seven parties dominated by Begum Khaleda Zia's Bangladesh Nationalist Party and the left-leaning five-party alliance of Nirmal Sen called the strike after at least six activists were shot dead.

The six, according to the opposition, were shot by police and scores were injured including Begum Zia during a sit-in demonstration to revitalise an eight-year-old campaign against President Hussain Mohammad Ershad.

The government in a press note published Thursday admitted that five people were killed during the demonstration.

The note said that despite maximum restraint by law enforcing agencies two people were killed by police and 40 members of the security forces were injured. It did not say how the other three died.

The powerful Dhaka University Central Students Union (DUCSU) called a dawn-to-dusk stoppage to protest the killing of one of their fellow students Wednesday during the demonstrations.

Police and para-military forces patroled the streets in trucks and jeeps and some were posted at key city points. A police officer on duty said several thousand police had been deployed to thwart any possible violence.

Except for pedal-driven trishaws, most other vehicles were off the streets and shops were shuttered. Most factories and offices were either shut or operating with skeleton staffs, witnesses and sources said.

Witnesses said small brawls broke out in several parts of the city including Nawabpur and areas close to the volatile Dhaka University.

General Ershad, 60, seized power in a bloodless 1982 coup and has since been opposed by Bangladesh's mainstream opposition groups, who demand his resignation and the holding of free and fair elections under a neutral caretaker government.

The stoppage was also enforced in the southeastern port city of Chittagong where most shops and offices were shut.

Several home-made bombs rocked the city, but there were no immediate reports of other violence, sources said.

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#90284d6700 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Moscow (OCT. 11) - Three deserters from the Soviet army killed a lieutenant colonel and seven soldiers in a raid on an arms depot in the Crimean peninsula the independent Soviet news agency Interfax reported on Thursday.

The deserters escaped with three machine guns, a pistol and ammunition, but their getaway army lorry broke down after a few kilometres, the agency said.

Interfax said one of the three returned to his unit, the second was arrested, and the third was still at large,

The raid took place in the village of Privetnoye, but the news agency did not say when.

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#90284d6750 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 11) - South Korea, irritated at Japan's reluctance to transfer technology, is now in favor of granting France's high-speed railway system a contract to build one here, press reports said here Thursday.

Seoul's largest circulation daily, Chosun Ilbo, quoted a government source as saying the government was leaning toward the French TGV high-speed train system to link the capital with the southeastern port of Pusan.

"There is a high possibility that the government will opt for the TGV system," the source was quoted as saying.

A European analyst noted however that the report by the pro-government daily coincided with the presence of a Japanese delegation which is here to lobby for the Japanese Shinkansen system.

He added that the article might have been an attempt by the government to apply pressure to the Japanese.

An official of the National Railway declined to comment on the report, but said there was still some time to go before the government is due to select which system to adopt, a decision expected in the first half of next year.

The TGV system has been in fierce competition with the Japanese Shinkansen system for the 5.8-trillion won (8.1 billion-dollar) project to link Seoul with Pusan, 409 kilometers (255 miles) away.

Then French European Affairs Minister Edith Cresson visited here in September to pitch for the TGV system, saying that Paris was prepared to transfer TGV technology to South Korea so that it could manufacture trains and export them to other Asian countries.

Chosun Ilbo said the government was getting irritated at Japan because it was reluctant in technlogy cooperation.

"In contrast, France is winning points because it is active in offering technology transfer," it quoted the government source as saying.

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#90284d6760 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOURNEMOUTH, ENGLAND (OCT. 11) - British Under Secretary of State for the Environment, Patrick Nicholls, resigned here Wednesday after being indicted for drunken driving while attending the annual Conservative Party congress here.

Mr. Nicholls, 41, was considered one of the Conservative Party's rising stars and ealier this year had launched a government campaign against drunken driving.

He said in a statement that he "was stopped by the police on a routine check, breathalysed, and found to be over the limit" after dining with friends in a Bournemouth restaurant overnight Wednesday.

He said he deeply regretted "the distress and embarrassment I have caused my family, the Government, and my constituency association. The blame is entirely my own."

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher immediately accepted his resignation.

Mr. Nicholls has been a member of parliament for Teignbridge, Devon, since 1983.

His statement said that at his request one of his friends "had arranged for a car to take me to where I was staying in Portsmouth," he said.

"When the taxi picked us up the driver tried to increase the price far beyond what had been previously agreed. I was not prepared to see my friend treated in this way, and feeling perfectly sober I said I would drive myself."

He said his behaviour had been "foolish in the extreme. Any responsible member of society should know better".

Mr. Nicholls was educated at Redrice College, Andover, Hampshire, and the College of Law at Guildford, Surrey. He married his wife, Bridget, in 1976. He was a steward on the British Boxing Board of Control for two years from 1985.

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#90284d6800 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (OCT. 11) - The Nigerian government is planning to ban international air traffic from using its airports between midnight and 5 a.m for reasons of national security, air transport sources said here Thursday.

Most air traffic using Lagos international airport currently passes through at night, and the ban due to take effect October 28 is aimed at better spreading the load, industry sources said.

A special commission is currently studying the proposal.

The move would have a serious effect on the schedules of most of the 25 international airlines serving Lagos, observers said.

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#90284d6810 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (OCT. 11) - A 17-year-old French student has become the youngest person to conquer 8,848-metre (29,028-foot) Mount Everest, Nepal's Tourism Ministry said Thursday.

Bertrand Roche, from the village of Lanslevillard in the French Alps near Grenoble, reached the world's tallest summit along the eastern pillar route on Sunday with a French expedition.

Roche was climbing with his father, Jean Noel Roche, 41, and Denis Pivot, 61,

both mountain guides, 30-year-old photographer Alain Desez and 31-year-old chemical engineer Rene Debos.

Nearly 300 people have now conquered Mount Everest, the ministry said.

The previous record holder was Nepalese climber Shambhu Tamang, who climbed Mount Everest in 1973 when he was 18 years old.

The 26-member French expedition was led by veteran climber Laurence de la Ferriere, 33, a mountain guide from Chamonix.

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#90284d6860 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 11) - The Banque Nationale de Paris said Thursday its consolidated net profit fell 29.2 percent in the first six months of this year to 993 million francs (190.6 million dollars) from 1.4 billion (269 million dollars).

Gross operating profit was down 16.2 percent on the same period last year to 4.95 billion francs (952 million dollars) from 5.9 billion (1.13 billion dollars).

A six-week strike early in the year led to steeper wage costs and a loss of client operations, and cut some 400 million francs (76.9 million dollars) off the interim result, BNP officials said.

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#90284d6900 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (OCT. 11) - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak suggested Thursday that an international force could be formed to protect holy sites in Jerusalem and denied any link between the Gulf crisis and the Palestinian issue.

Mr. Mubarak was speaking to journalists here in the aftermath of the Israeli police killings of 21 Palestinians near Islamic shrines in east Jerusalem on Monday.

The Egyptian leader expressed his "deep sadness" at the incident and called for the constitution of an international force to protect religious sites in Jerusalem "if the Israeli government is incapable of doing the job."

Iraq immediately after Monday's killings declared that its struggle to rid the Gulf of foreign forces, deployed in response to Baghdad's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, and opposition to Israeli occupation of Palestinian territory were one and the same battle.

There was concern in the West earlier this week that unless the killings were

vigorously denounced by the United States the newly formed anti-Iraqi Arab-Western alliance could fall apart.

At the United Nations, Washington has signalled its support for a draft Security Council resolution condemning Israel.

Mr. Mubarak, a leading Arab critic of the Iraqi invasion, stressed that the Palestinian question "is an Israeli-Palestinian conflict while the Gulf crisis is an inter-Arab problem.

"If we link the two it will mean that we want to settle neither of them."

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#90284d6910 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 11) - Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen left for Phnom Penh via Ho Chi Minh City Thursday, ending a five-day official visit to India, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported.

The Phnom Penh premier was seen off by several West Bengal state ministers from Calcutta where he had gone for a day's tour, PTI said.

Mr. Hun Sen, heading a 16-member delegation, arrived in New Delhi Sunday for official talks with Indian leaders including Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh and Foreign Minister Inder Kumar Gujral.

The Cambodian prime minister told reporters Tuesday in Delhi that he had conveyed his government's wish to Mr. V.P. Singh for India to play an "enhanced and perhaps a military role" in the proposed United Nations International Control Commission for Cambodia.

It was not known if India has accepted his requests.

New Delhi, which prefers quiet diplomacy in the Cambodian embroglio, is co-chair of a committee set up at the Paris International Conference on Cambodia charged with establishing an international control mechanism for the troubled country.

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#90284d6920 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 11) - The Matsushita Television Co. (M) Bhd., a member of Japan's Matsushita group, on Thursday shipped made-in-Malaysia colour television sets to Japan for the first time, a company spokesman said.

The spokesman said Matsushita Television would initially export 5,000 television sets to Japan by the end of the year.

He said Matsushita Television had been exporting locally-produced color television sets to western Asia, Singapore, Australia and New Zealand since April 1989.

It exported 300,000 sets in the year to March 31 and would raise exports to 500,000 for the current year, the spokesman said.

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#90284d6930 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (OCT. 11) - Some 1,800 Indians arrived here from Kuwait Thursday aboard the Indian vessel M.V. Akbar, shipping sources said.

The Akbar was due to sail later in the day for the Iraqi port of Khor al-Zubair to receive new passengers.

Shipping sources told AFP that another Indian evacuation ship, M. V. Tipu Sultan, was Thursday taking on nearly 650 passengers at Khor al-Zubair in preparation for a voyage to India.

Both vessels will proceed from Khor al-Zubair to the Indian port of Cochin in southern Kerala state.

The sources said the Akbar, with 1,860 Indian nationals aboard, had been inspected twice during its voyage here by U.S. and Canadian warships patrolling the Gulf region to enforce United Nations sanctions against Iraq.

There were an estimated 172,000 Indians in Kuwait August 2, when it was invaded and occupied by Iraqi troops, and 10,000 in Iraq itself.

The Indian government on Tuesday announced that it had repatriated 121,000 of its nationals from Iraq and Kuwait since the invasion.

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#90284d6970 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (OCT. 11) - Turkey had a record trade deficit of 5.64 billion dollars in the first eight months of this year, almost double the deficit in the same period of 1989, the national statistics institute said Thursday.

Imports during the eight months totaled 13.13 billon dollars against exports of 7.49 billion, the institute said, giving a deficit 99.4 per cent above that for January to August last year.

The state secretariat for the treasury and foreign trade announced Thursday that eight export companies were to lose their special facilities and other privileges designed to encourage export because they had not achieved regulation export targets, the semi-official Anatolie news agency said.

The eight include Nadir Dis Ticaret, which belongs to Turkish Cypriot-born businessman Asil Nadir, chairman and chief executive of troubled British conglomerate Polly Peck.

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#90284d6980 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 11) - The German finance ministry said Thursday it was raising interest rates on state bonds with effect from Friday because of the current high market rates.

The yield on bonds of the five-year series 93 will rise to nine percent from 8.90, with the nominal interest rate at nine percent, up from 8.75, and the issue price going to 100 percent from 99.40.

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#90284d7060 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (OCT. 11) - About 20 prisoners in Alikarnassos prison near Heraklion in northern Crete, have occupied the third floor of the building since Tuesday in protest against conditions, prison sources said on Thursday.

The prisoners, who are serving long sentences, have demanded the removal of the prison director Manoli Psaradaki and of some wardens, and have called for modernisation of the prison system.

A unit of the anti-riot force and several dozen police have been stationed in front of the prison.

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#90284d7090 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (OCT. 11) - The border separating Iraq and Kuwait is still marked despite Iraq's occupation and annexation of the emirate last month, according to a resident of Kuwait who recently arrived here.

But he said the line has been moved 80 kilometers (50 miles) further south into Kuwaiti territory, encompassing the northern part of Kuwait, now called Sadamiyat al-Moutlaat. Iraqi authorities have declared the region to be under the administration of Basra province.

The area includes the southern part of the Rumalia oil field and the islands of Warba and Bubiyan, which offer Iraq a strategically important outlet on the Gulf.

Kuwaiti territory south of Sadamiyat al-Moutlaat, according to Baghdad, has become Iraq's 19th province under the name Kuwait.

The Kuwaiti resident, an Arab national who had gone to live in the emirate, said Iraqi police and customs officials inspect luggage and ask to see identity papers at the new demarcation line.

Iraqi forces occupied Kuwait August 2 and later announced that it had become part of Iraq according to an "irreversible" presidential decree.

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#90284d7100 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 11) - Workers on the Moscow underground system have agreed to call off their first strike since the metro went into operation in the 1930's, the Goudok newspaper said Wednesday.

The strike, which had been due to last two hours Thursday, had been averted after the government acceded to workers' demands, the newspaper said.

Construction workers on the underground system had been calling for assurances of financing next year for new lines and more holidays, assurances which were provided late Tuesday, it added.

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#90284d7130 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMSTELVEEN, NETHERLANDS (OCT. 11) - Dutch airline KLM said here Thursday it was continuing talks on possibile cooperation with Indonesian airline Garuda.

KLM president Jan de Soet and his successor Peter Bouw, due to take over in January, held talks on the issue with Garuda during a recent visit to Indonesia, a KLM official said.

The two companies had already agreed last year to boost cooperation and from January will increase the number of flights they operate between Amsterdam and the Indonesian holiday island of Bali.

The airlines are also considering developing links for freight transport between the Netherlands and Indonesia.

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#90284d7140 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WOLFSBURG, GERMANY (OCT. 11) - Sales of Volkswagen and Audi cars in Japan are expected to reach 58,000 this year, up from 49,200 in 1989, a spokesman for the German auto maker said here Thursday.

By the mid-1990's, VW-Audi sales in Japan should reach around 100,000 vehicles a year, he added.

The company sold some 28,500 Volkswagens and 13,400 Audis in Japan in the first nine months of this year.

The German group said its sales of these two makes accounted for about a quarter of Japanese private car imports.

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#90284d7230 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (OCT. 11) - Egyptians on Thursday began voting in a referendum that will determine whether or not parliament will be dissolved.

The referendum, on which 15 million people are eligible to vote, was organized after a High Court ruling in May that the composition of the present parliament is invalid.

Parliament was last elected in 1987 under new proportional rules under which a voter picked a party's list of candidates. The number of candidates elected reflected the total number of votes secured by the party.

The High Court ruled that the constitution clearly stipulates a system in which voters must pick a specific candidate, and a presidential decree bringing back the old system was issued last week.

A majority vote in favour of dissolving the National Assembly would be followed by a general election within 60 days.

Results of the poll are expected to be announced Friday afternoon, according to the interior ministry.

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#90284d7260 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT. 11) - Belgium is sending no more troops or military aid to Rwanda, Prime Minister Wilfried Martens told the Senate here on Thursday.

Political analysts said the decision was a move by the centre-left coalition government to distance itself from the Rwandan regime after formally voicing its ''concern'' to the Kigali authorities about perceived lack of respect for human rights in the army's response to an invasion on October 1 by Uganda-based rebels.

However, the 480 Belgian paratroopers already in Rwanda to protect Belgia nationals would ''probably be brought to take new initiatives'' if fighting in the nort-east between governement troops and rebels made it necessary, Mr. Martens said. He stressed that the Belgian soldiers' mission to protect the 1,300 Belgian civilians in Rwanda would be strictly respected.

As ministers met for the second day running to review developments in the former Belgian territory in eastern Africa, government sources said reports of massacres of civilians by the army and other abuses were causing great disquiet here.

It was noted that the despatch of Belgian and French troops had freed the Rwandan military from some routine tasks and enabled it to concentrate on rounding up suspects.

The foreign ministry was at pains to point out that though the Belgian military presence afforded ''a small measure of security'' for the regime of Major-General Juvenal Habybyarimana, ''Operation Green Beans'' as the mission has been named ''in no way constitutes formal support for the regime in Kigali''.

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#90284d7530 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISTANBUL, TURKEY (OCT. 11) - U.S. military pilots seem more worried about Iraq's French-made Mirage F-1 jets than the Soviet-built MiG planes that form the backbone of the Iraqi Air Force.

"I would say there is more uncertainty in our minds about the Mirage than the Soviet (aircraft). We know less about them," says an American F-16 pilot at Balikesir air base in western Turkey.

Tom Judkins has just landed his plane, the pride of the U.S. Air Force, after carrying out a simulated attack on an enemy air base under the NATO manoeuvres "Display Determination 1990."

Following the end of the Cold War, during which Atlantic Alliance pilots were trained to defeat MiG-23, MiG-29 or Sukhoi aircraft, the Soviet threat has diminished even if it is still taken seriously and a new threat has appeared to the east of Turkey, the only NATO country to have a border with Iraq.

The Gulf is theoretically outside the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's zone of operations, but the Allies would come to the help of Ankara if there were an Iraqi attack.

Asked about how his F-14 would perform against a Mirage, Brian Wild, from the aircraft carrier USS Saratoga, was cautious. "Certainly the French make good

aircraft," he said. But he had never flown the Mirage F-1.

The American pilots do not underestimate the adversary they might find themselves up against within weeks.

Judkins, based near the Iraqi border with Turkey, said Iraq's Air Force "is very good and very well disciplined." And in spite of ultra-modern radars and electronic jamming equipment, he said, the dogfight would remain the basic type of aerial combat which "will be visual ultimately.".

But the U.S. pilots say they are confident. "I am sure the U.S. Air Force is superior," Wild said with a wide grin, his scholarly-looking young navigator agreeing.

Although this annual NATO exercise is meant to consist of "practising tactics" as in previous years, the Gulf crisis is obviously on everybody's mind and in the case of combat, Wild, whose vessel is currently in the eastern Mediterranean, said: "I don't get the feeling that we'd be left out."

The manoeuvres were prepared well before Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2, but technically they give the impression of being training for a possible operation against Baghdad forces: an amphibious landing on a mined beach, combined air raid on a military airfield or anti-tank air support for ground troops.

In an F-16, the Iraqi border is less than 50 minutes' flight from Balikesir, where waves of American, Turkish and Spanish F-16s, F-18s and F-111s take off and land in tight formation during the exercises.

While they are keeping the "enemy" planes on the ground and carrying out bombing missions, the F-14s from the Saratoga have the job of attacking the stray "enemy" plane that might have managed to take off.

Eight NATO countries -- the U.S., Britain, Turkey, West Germany, France, Italy Portugal and Spain -- have been taking part in the manoeuvres since September 28 in Turkey, northern Italy and the central and eastern Mediterranean.

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#90284d7550 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KOUROU, French Guiana (OCT. 11) - For the third time since resuming flights in July, the Ariane rocket is scheduled to be fired into space Friday carrying two U.S. telecommunications satellites into Earth orbit.

The windows for launching the rocket from its jungle launch pad here fall between 7:57 p.m. and 8:37 p.m. (2257 GMT and 2337 GMT) and between 10:16 p.m. and 10:49 p.m. (0116 and 0149 GMT Saturday).

The most powerful European rocket, the Ariane-44L, will be used for the launch because of the hefty payload of satellites, which together weigh nearly 3,690 kilograms (8,100 pounds).

It will be the fifth time the 44-L has been used, the 39th mission for an Ariane rocket and the 11th for the Ariane 4 series.

The satellites were built by Hughes Aircraft and will be launched on behalf of the Hughes Communications Inc. The SBS-6 is a video telecommunications satellite and the Galaxy 6 is to be used for retransmission of cable and network telecommunications.

Initially set for October 11, the launch was put off for 24 hours to allow "the verification of supplementary measures applied to the pressurization system of the liquid hydrogen tank on the third stage of the rocket," Arianespace said.

The measures were taken following the discovery of a small drop in pressure in the hydrogen tank on the rocket's third stage during the 39th Ariane mission July 24.

The success of the July 24 launch - the first since the failure of an Ariane rocket in February - led to another launch August 31, which also went smoothly.

The February failure halted Ariane launchings for six months, but it apparently has not affected client confidence in the rocket.

Since the start of the year, Arianespace has signed a dozen satellite launch contracts, the latest on September 3 with Embratel, the Brazilian state telecommunications firm, for the launching of the Brasilsat-B1 and B2 satellites.

Arianespace's list of launch orders has risen to 37 satellites, or 50 per cent of the world market, worth about 15.5 billion francs.

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#90284d8030 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 11) - Iraq is not ready to compromise to open the way for a peaceful settlement of the Gulf crisis, French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said here on Thursday.

France held that "no opportunity should be missed to find a peaceful solution to the Gulf conflict", but Iraq was still not ready to compromise, he said.

"It is true that many initiatives are being made by the international community but we see nothing coming from the Iraqi side. The only echoes which we pick up are negative echoes," he said after addressing the foreign affairs

commission of the national assembly (parliament).

He said that "the weapon of peace remains the embargo" which, he said, had to be strictly applied so that Iraq "feels that there is no weakness on the part of the international community".

He said that he had told the commission that the French military forces in the Gulf region, on land and at sea, were under the orders of French President Francois Mitterrand alone, and that the troops would not automatically go into action if armed conflict started.

"They remain under national command and the chief of the armed forces shall decide on their movements," he said.

Mr. Dumas commended the six French diplomats who were still in Kuwait. He said that they were "very courageous", and said that he had asked them to remain at their posts "for as long as they are able so as to alleviate the misery" of French nationals still in the Emirate.

He said that France would not close the embassy until the diplomats had reached the limits of their endurance, he said.

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#90284d8080 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT, GERMANY (OCT. 11) - A consortium of German banks has granted a two billion Deutsche mark (1.29 billion dollars) loan to the Soviet foreign trade bank, the lead manager of the loan, West LB bank, said here Thursday.

The five-year loan is 95 percent guaranteed by the German government, limiting the banks' risk to five percent of the total, and Germany will also be paying the entire interest bill.

The loan is part of a package included in a Soviet-German treaty for 1990 signed Tuesday.

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#90284d8090 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (OCT. 11) - Estonia cannot afford to pay the bill for printing its own currency, the Estonian crown, the Finnish newspaper Helsingin Sanomat said Thursday.

The first payment was due to be made this month, but the parliament of the Soviet republic, which is seeking greater autonomy from Moscow, has just realised that it did not have the 1.65 million rubles (2.9 million dollars) in hard currency needed to pay for the printing of its first banknotes, the report said.

No official information has been issued as to where the Estonian currency was being produced, but the Helsingin Sanomat said it was rumoured that he first consignment had been printed in Sweden.

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#90284d8100 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (OCT. 11) - This week's carnage in Jerusalem proves that Israel must disappear and be replaced by a democratic Palestinian state for both Arabs and Jews, Libyan leader Colonel Moamer Kadhafi said Thursday.

"The Palestinian people and the Arab world will no longer be able to tolerate such ferocious massacres," Col. Kadhafi said.

"Nor will the Jewish state be able to tolerate the revenge that it will have to face ... unless what the world wanted in the first place was to finish with the Jews and created this state for them so that it would become their cemetery."

Col. Kadhafi, quoted by the official Libyan news agency JANA monitored here, was referring to Monday's unrest in east Jerusalem during which Israeli police shot dead 21 Palestinians.

"We do not seek the extinction of the Jews, but further massacres against the Palestinian people would be intolerable for us," he said.

"As a result, the only solution is the disappearance of the Jewish state and the creation of a democratic Palestinian state that would group together Arabs and Jews."

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#90284d8210 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DJIBOUTI (OCT 11) - Djibouti's maritime frontiers with Somalia are to be closed on Friday for an unspecified period, the president's office said on Thursday.

The decision follows the latest in a series of border incidents when 30 armed men, half wearing Somali army uniforms, penetrated eight kilometres (four miles) into Djibouti territory last Sunday.

Army high command said there were exchanges of fire with a Djibouti patrol. There were no casualties.

A formal protest at the "inadmissible" territorial violation was sent to Mogadishu.

Djibouti closed its land borders with its Horn of Africa neighbour in May 1989 because of fighting close by between Somali troops and rebels of the Somali National Movement.

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#90284d8470 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 11) - French group Air Liquide, the world's leading maker of industrial gases, said Thursday it was to take control of Portuguese pharmaceuticals concern Lusitafarme.

Full details of the acqusition, through Air Liquide pharmaceuticals subsidiary Lipha, will be announced on October 19, a company spokesman said.

Lusitafarme specialises in cosmetics and pharmaceutical products and made a net profit last year of 150 million escudo (1.09 million dollars) on sales of three billion (21.8 million dollars).

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#90284d8500 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 11) - Silver fell to its lowest level in 13 years in London on Thursday, dragged down by recession fears.

Silver was quoted at 4.385 dollars an ounce at the fixing, against 4.6275 Wednesday and its lowest since August 1977.

Gold was down 3.25 dollars an ounce from Wednesday's close at 388 dollars while platinum was down 4.3 dollars at 432.20.

Silver had been dragged down by the Gulf crisis, which has aggravated prospects of a recession in several industrialised countries, said William Adams, an analyst with Rudolf Wolff.

Heavy liquidation and rumours of sales in the Middle East had pulled prices down, but the market was now somewhat oversold and prices should settle at around 4.00 to 4.25 dollars, he said.

Analysts said platinum was being affected by the same factors as silver because of its industrial use, while gold was suffering a lack of investor interest, particularly in the Middle East.

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#90284d8510 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (OCT 11) - Pakistan has agreed to implement the International Nuclear Events Scale (Ines) for a trial period of one year.

An announcement by the country's atomic energy commission here Thursday said the scale had been devised by the International Atomic Energy Agency and the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development for use primarily at nuclear power reactors.

Ines defines seven levels of nuclear incidents and accidents, indicating the significance of the events in terms of off-site release of radioactivity, on-site consequences of the events and the degradation of defence-in-depth safety systems, according to the commission.

Pakistan has a small nuclear power station, a research reactor and a secret facility near Islamabad which the U.S.-led Western countries suspect is being used to develop nuclear weapons capability.

Washington has just suspended aid to Pakistan on the suspicion.

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#90284d9010 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT 11) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,430.50 (1,447.00) 1,363.50 (1,371.50)
Lead 407.00 (396.00) 392.50 (390.50)
Zinc Hg 1,377.00 (1,360.00) 1,361.00 (1,350.50)
Tin 6,155.00 (6,040.00) 6,197.50 (6,095.00)
Aluminium 1,935.00 (2,007.50) 1,804.50 (1,857.50)
Nickel 9,025.00 (9,475.00) 8,705.00 (9,087.50)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90284d9100 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (OCT 11) - A joint chamber of commerce and industry between the Soviet Union and Singapore will be set up shortly, the deputy chief executive officer of the Trade Development Board (TDB) said Thursday.

Lee Ying Cheun said the joint chamber is to be set up in a few months. It will be designed to help entrepreneurs venture into the Soviet Union and other East European countries.

Mr. Lee was speaking at the opening of a two-day conference on "USSR and Eastern European Challenge: Opportunities and Strategies," which was attended by about 200 businessmen and government officials from seven countries.

He disclosed that the setting up of the joint chamber was provided for under a trade protocol signed in Moscow recently. It was signed by a Singapore trade delegation, which was in Moscow ahead of Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew's visit to the Soviet Union last month.

Mr. Lee said the TDB would continue its ongoing trade promotion programmes in the Soviet Union and East European countries. He disclosed that since 1986 the TDB had sent over 10 trade missions to that region and another delegation was scheduled to go next month.

He added that to further develop trade with Eastern European countries, the TDB had set up an office in Budapest earlier this year.

One of the speakers at the conference, Victor Geraschenko, chairman of the State Bank of Soviet Union, said the bank would introduce a commercial conversion rate of exchange next January, which will peg the Soviet currency at 1.8 roubles to the American dollar.

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#90284d9130 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (OCT 11) - The oil-rich sultanate of Brunei is committed to rstructuring its oil-based economy and is seeking investment and long-term partnerships based on mutual benefit, a minister said Thursday.

Abdul Rahman Taib, minister of industry and primary resources, said his government would "welcome foreign direct investments from which we can derive mutual benefits" and said the private sector "will play the ultimate role" in the country's economic development.

Mr. Abdul Rahman said Brunei, under the 5th National Development Plan launched in 1986, was working on developing its non-oil industries.

He also noted the increasing economic cooperative links among member countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).

ASEAN groups Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

"It is in this light that Brunei Darussalam will embark on the next phase of development," Mr. Abdul Rahman told some 130 participants attending the one-day conference on the opportunities from the diversification of the Brunei economy.

"We are optimistic that there will be greater liberalization of world trade, and for our part, we shall endeavor to continue to provide and improve the environment for investment with emphasis for mutual economic benefits," he said.

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#90284d9420 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MILAN (OCT 11) - Italian merchant bank Mediobanca said here on Thursday that it now holds five percent of the capital of Germany's Continental tire group, which covets Italy's Pirelli Group, and 2.02 percent of French bank Paribas.

Mediobanca's balance sheet for the 1989-90 financial year, released on Thursday, shows that the bank spent 104 billion lire (90 million dollars) for its stake in Continental, and 201 billion lire (174 million dollars) for 1.4 million shares in France's Compagnie Financiere de Paribas.

When Pirelli first expressed its interest in Continental, Mediobanca was mentioned as among the backers of the Italian group. Milan financial circles say that almost 20 percent of the Continental capital has been acquired by Italian businesses.

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#90284d9600 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ALGIERS (OCT. 11) - Some 5,000 people gathered around the U.S. embassy in Algiers Thursday to stage a protest expressing solidarity with Iraq.

Participants burned U.S. and Israeli flags as well as caricatures of President George Bush.

In a statement handed to embassy personnel, the protestors called for the lifting of what they called the ''unjust'' economic blockade imposed on the Iraqis, a peaceful solution to the crisis and the immediate departure of foreign troops from the Gulf.

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#90284d9700 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (OCT 11) - Three major west German oil companies have been given authorisation to buy petrol (U.S. gas) stations from Minol, the former East German state monopoly in oil and petrol distribution, Minol president Wolfgang Burkhard said Thursday.

Minol signed cooperation agreements with Aral, AGIP and DEA, after the Bundeskartelamt, the federal competition agency, gave the go-ahead, he told a press conference.

After the sales of some of the 1,200 stations, Minol may keep 500 and manage 300 others with its new German partners, he said.

Modernisation will require investment of tens of millions of Deutsche marks (dollars), he said.

Mr. Burkhard added that Minol would yield a profit in 1990, on the basis of a turnover of five billion marks (3.1 billion dollars) for the second half of the year.

Since the introduction of the Deutsche mark on east German territory last July 1, Minol has no longer had recourse to borrowing and practically paid off all its debts, he said.

Although unemployment threatens many east Germans, none of Minol's 9,000 employees had been made redundant, he said.

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#90284d9710 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

By NORBERT SCHNORBACH

TEGUCIGALPA (OCT. 11) - At the marketplace the talk is of the end of the world and not the price of tomatoes.

''Repent and mend thy ways or suffer the wrath of God as Sodom and Gomorrha once did,'' a preacher thunders. With passages from the Bible and threats of divine punishment, the man urges his large audience to join his evangelist sect.

No sooner has he left the marketplace, taking his dire warnings with him, than a new group takes his place.

Accompanied by drums, bells and guitar music, its members sing a halleluja. The message, ''God is love'', is milder than the preceding one but the goal is the same: to win followers.

The shady marketplace of the Honduran capital, which lies directly in front of the cathedral built during the Spanish colonial era, is thick with religious zealots.

Every day several missionaries give a performance. Some of them come with only a Bible, others haul in amplifying equipment to bring their point home with a little more emphasis.

The groups have had considerable success. At least 50 different evangelist groups, most of them from the United States, are thought to be active in Honduras.

They have managed to steal about 750,000 people, or about 15 per cent of the population, away from the Roman Catholic Church, which once had no rivals. The figure is even higher in some neighbouring countries.

Central American has become a hotbed for religious groups ranging from recognised, reputable organisations to a colourful variety of often shadowy sects. The Catholic Church is alarmed.

The evangelistic missionaries, often generously funded by their backers in the United States, have made their way into the most remote villages. Even in the smallest provincial towns, there are often a dozen different religious groups with their churches and temples.

''We have amicable contacts with the large Protestant churches like the Lutherans or Presbyterians,'' says Geraldo Scarpone, the Catholic bishop of Comayagua. ''But the small sects are aggressive and slanderous. They attack us whenever they can and also use political intrigue to harm us.''

According to Honduran sociologist Herman Caliz, ''There is definitely a political reason for the quick spread of sects.'' He said the Catholic Church directs its social teachings primarily at the poor, sometimes takes on the powerful and shelters liberation theologians.

The up-and-coming sects, on the other hand, preach about the afterlife and advocate peace and order - and political abstinence -in earthly things.

And so in the view of the United States - where they originate -as well as of the local rulers, the sects are regarded as innocuous and deserving of support Caliz says.

But Bishop Luis Alonso Santos, of Copan, recently warned of espionage by the sects, which he says have received millions of dollars from U.S. secret services.

''That's why we can see them quickly building new, modern buildings all over the place,'' Santos says, calling the groups ''an advance guard to oppress the people''.

The onetime Guatemalan putsch leader General Efrain Rios Montt -a famous preacher and infamous butcher - is cited as an example. After taking power in a 1982 putsch, he appeared on television every Sunday to preach peace, order, morality and love of country in the name of his sect, the Church of the Word.

At the same time, he was mercilessly annihilating leftist rebels. He had thousands of innocent Indios murdered and hundreds of villages destroyed until he was toppled in 1983.

Since then, Rios Montt has gathered new adherents and hopes to regain power during presidential elections in November.

#90284d9750 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (OCT. 11) - Belgium's ambassador has left Iraqi-occupied Kuwait after conditions at the embassy became unacceptable, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said here Thursday.

The departure of the ambassador and his first secretary did not mean the embassy was being officially shut down, said the spokesman, adding ''Belgium continues to recognise the sovereignty of Kuwait and the legimitacy of the government.''

The government of Iraq had made the supply situation at the embassy compound impossible and thereby contravened all the rules of diplomacy, said the spokesman. The two Belgian diplomats have travelled initially to Baghdad.

The closure of the embassy was agreed with the Netherlands and Germany two days ago. France is among the last countries to maintain embassy personnel in the Arab sheikhdom invaded by Iraq August 2.

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#90284d9920 10/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIRUT (OCT. 11) - The Syrian Army reinforced its positions around territory controlled by Lebanese Christian chief General Michel Aoun late Thursday, local residents and security sources said.

Local residents said Syrian tanks, armoured vehicles, troop transports and jeeps were moving toward the frontline southeast of Beirut, facing the presidential palace where Gen. Aoun has his headquarters.

The troop movements which started at 7 p.m. local time (1600 GMT) were continuing, local residents said. Syrian Army checkpoints in mainly Moslem west Beirut were left almost unmanned.

Security sources said the army had over the last 24 hours moved tanks, cannon, anti-mine devices and troop reinforcements to the frontline in the mountains southeast of the capital.

The operation follows a call from the Damascus-backed president, Elias Hrawi, for Syrian military aid to help the government extend its control over Lebanese territory, according to government sources.

Gen. Aoun refuses to recognize President Hrawi and controls almost 300 square kilometres (120 square miles) of Christian territory in the Metn region, home to around 500,000 people.

The government has imposed a blockade on the Metn since September 28 to pressure the general, who has rejected a year-old Arab peace plan for Lebanon because it failed to call for the withdrawal of Syrian troops.

Around 35,000 Syrian troops are deployed in the mainly Moslem region of the country.

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#90284e0002 10/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Santiago (OCT. 11) EFE - Chile has reduced its foreign debt by more than dlrs three billion in the past five years by offering to buy debt bonds at preferential prices from foreigners who invest in the country, officials said.

Central Bank officials said Wednesday that the scheme has enabled Chile to cancel dlrs 3.4 billion in debt, reducing the country's external obligations since 1985 to dlrs 16.8 billion in July this year.

Under the plan, foreign investors can buy Chilean debt bonds from creditors in international money markets at 70 per cent of their nominal value.

The Chilean government will then buy the bonds from the purchasers at a guaranteed 80 per cent of the nominal value, provided the money is then invested in sectors of the Chilean economy approved by the Central Bank.

Bonds converted into Chilean pesos are directed to invest mainly in the financial sector, followed by communications, transport and industry.

About 57 per cent of the bonds purchased by foreign investors derive from private-sector debt backed by the state, with 30 per cent belonging to the Central Bank.

Analysts say the success of the scheme is due to the economic and political stability that ex-dictator Gen. Augusto Pinochet imposed on the country during his harsh 17-year rule.

The scheme has been continued by Pinochet's successor, democratically-elected President Patrico Aylwin.-EFE

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#90284f0921 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 11) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Oct. 11:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberden cy	1pm	48	09
Amstrdm cy	1pm	57	14
Ankara cy	3pm	57	14
Athens c	2pm	73	23
Aucklnd pc	12m	57	14
Beijing c	8pm	62	17
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin cy	1pm	60	16
Bonn pc	1pm	60	16
Brussels c	1pm	60	16
Cairo c	2pm	80	27
Casblnc cy	12n	69	21
Copenhgn r	1pm	51	11
Dakar c	12n	80	27
Dublin cy	1pm	51	11
Geneva hz	1pm	57	14
Helsinki pc	2pm	50	10
Hong Kng c	8pm	75	24
Jerusalm c	2pm	78	26
Karachi c	5pm	95	35
Lisbon c	1pm	71	22
London cy	1pm	62	17
Madrid c	1pm	62	17
Malta pc	1pm	80	27
Manila r	8pm	78	26
Moscow c	3pm	44	07
Nairobi c	3pm	75	24
Nassau cy	7am	78	26
New Delh c	6pm	91	33
Nice c	1pm	73	23
Oslo pc	1pm	48	09
Paris pc	1pm	64	18
Pretoria c	2pm	77	25
Riyadh m	3pm	96	36
Rome pc	1pm	82	28
Seoul pc	9pm	57	14
Sofia c	2pm	62	17
Stckhlm pc	1pm	50	10
Sydney c	10pm	68	20
Taipei cy	8pm	75	24
Tokyo pc	9pm	62	17
Tunis pc	1pm	82	28
Vienna hz	1pm	55	13
Warsaw c	1pm	60	16

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	69	21
Caracas pc	8am	68	20
Havana c	7am	75	24
Lima cy	7am	60	16
Mexico City hz	6am	55	13
Rio de Janeiro pc	9am	77	25
Santiago c	8am	42	06

Canada

Calgary m	mm	mm
Edmonton s	43	06
Montreal r	48	08
Ottawa r	47	08
Regina cy	56	13
Toronto r	53	11
Vancouver pc	56	13
Winnipeg cy	56	13

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90284f1986 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Thursday 330.39 off 8.54.

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#90284f1987 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	334.06	324.25	325.61	off	7.64
Industrial	353.77	343.00	344.84	off	8.09
Finance	333.64	324.93	325.79	off	7.22
Insurance	389.51	382.45	383.58	off	5.19
Utility	469.58	447.72	450.71	off	16.86
Bank	247.87	243.84	245.10	off	2.34

Transport 371.19 365.58 366.67 off 3.86
Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-11) 325.61
NASDAQ National Market System indexes
(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	142.41 off 3.36
Industrial Index	136.09 off 3.20
NASDAQ-100 Index	330.39 off 8.54
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.39 off 0.17
Volume	113,724,104 shares
Advances	450
Declines	1,108
Unchanged	1,239
Total	2,797

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#90284h0002 10/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

YANGON (OCT. 11) XINHUA - THE MYANMAR INSPECTION AND AGENCY SERVICES (IAS) AND THE SPECIALIST SERVICES INTERNATIONAL LIMITED (SSIL) OF ENGLAND ESTABLISHED A PRIVATE JOINT-VENTURE COMPANY LIMITED HERE WEDNESDAY.

THE JOINT-VENTURE COMPANY, NAMED MYANMAR INSPECTION AND TESTING SERVICES LIMITED, WILL UNDERTAKE THE BUSINESS OF INSPECTION, TESTING, ANALYZING AND RENDERING TECHNICAL ADVICES REGARDING QUALITY, WEIGHT, PACKING AND PRICES OF COMMODITIES TO BE IMPORTED AND EXPORTED.

THE AUTHORIZED CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY IS K 5 MILLION (EQUIVALENT TO 0.83 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) DIVIDED INTO 5,000 SHARES OF K 1,000 EACH. 2,450 SHARES WILL BE HELD BY MYANMAR IAS AND THE REST 2,550 SHARES BY SSIL OF ENGLAND.

THE MYANMAR MILITARY GOVERNMENT PROMULGATED A FOREIGN INVESTMENT LAW AT THE END OF 1988. UP TO NOW, THERE WERE 23 JOINT VENTURE COMPANIES IN THE COUNTRY.

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#90284h0006 10/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 11) XINHUA - THE U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY TODAY UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED A RESOLUTION DECIDING TO PROVIDE HAITI WITH THE BROADEST POSSIBLE SUPPORT DURING THE GENERAL ELECTIONS OF THE COUNTRY.

THE RESOLUTION REQUESTED THE U.N. SECRETARY-GENERAL TO SEND A NUCLEUS OF SOME 50 OBSERVERS TO HAITI BEFORE THE VOTER REGISTRATION AND KEEP THEM THERE UNTIL THE ELECTIONS.

THE ASSEMBLY MADE THE DECISION IN RESPONSE TO THE REQUEST BY HAITIAN PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT ERTHA PASCAL TROUILLOT IN HER LETTERS TO THE U.N. SECRETARY-GENERAL.

THE RESOLUTION REQUESTED THE U.N. CHIEF TO REINFORCE THE NUCLEUS AT THE TIME OF ELECTIONS AND VOTER REGISTRATION BY BRINGING THE TOTAL TO A FEW HUNDRED, AND TO OBSERVE THE ELECTORAL SECURITY PLANS.

IT URGED THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO INCREASE ITS TECHNICAL, ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL CO-OPERATION WITH HAITI IN ORDER TO SUPPORT THE COUNTRY'S DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS.

ACCORDING TO A DECISION MADE BY THE FIFTH COMMITTEE (ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGET) TODAY, THE NET ADDITIONAL AMOUNT REQUIRED FOR THAT ASSISTANCE SHOULD NOT EXCEED 6.5 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

GENERAL ELECTIONS ARE SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 16, 1990 IN THE COUNTRY WHICH HAS FOR YEARS EXPERIENCED POLITICAL TURMOIL CAUSE BY MILITARY COUPS.

IN ORDER TO KEEP THE ELECTIONS IN A PROPER CAUSE, THE GOVERNMENT HAS SPECIFIED THAT IT NEEDS OBSERVERS AND EXPERTS WITH EXPERIENCE IN PUBLIC ORDER AND SECURITY.

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#90284h0009 10/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 11) XINHUA - THAILAND AND MYANMAR ARE DRAWING UP PLANS FOR JOINT DEVELOPMENT OF AREAS ALONG THEIR COMMON BORDER TO ERADICATE OPIUM PRODUCTION, WHICH ARE EXPECTED TO BE FUNDED BY THE UNITED NATIONS FUND FOR DRUG ABUSE CONTROL (UNFDAC), SAID A SENIOR U.N. OFFICIAL HERE ON WEDNESDAY.

PROPOSALS AND PLANS FOR JOINT DEVELOPMENT WERE RAISED AT A TWO-DAY MEETING BETWEEN THAI AND MYANMAR OFFICIALS IN YANGON RECENTLY, TO WHICH UNFDAC WAS INVITED AS AN OBSERVER.

ODD HALLHIAM, FIELD ADVISER FOR UNFDAC, WAS QUOTED BY THE BANGKOK POST AS SAYING THAT UNFDAC IS VERY MUCH INTERESTED IN FINANCING JOINT ACTIVITIES TO FIGHT THE PRODUCTION OF NARCOTICS AND ITS TRADE. HE EMPHASIZED THE FUNDING WILL COME IN THE CONTEXT OF AN AGREEMENT BY THAILAND AND MYANMAR.

THAILAND AND MYANMAR ARE TO HOLD ANOTHER MEETING IN DECEMBER BEFORE SUBMITTING DETAILS TO UNFDAC FOR CONSIDERATION, HE SAID.

"IT IS HOPED THAT THE MEETING WOULD LEAD TO AN AGREEMENT ON CERTAIN OPTIONS EARLIER RAISED IN YANGON, SUCH AS CROP SUBSTITUTION, EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN THAILAND AND MYANMAR AND TRAINING," HE ADDED.

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICE OF THE NARCOTICS CONTROL BOARD OF THAILAND, MYANMAR

SUGGESTED AT THE YANGON MEETING THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES JOINTLY DEVELOP HIGH ALTITUDE AGRICULTURE, IRRIGATION, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, BASIC PUBLIC HEALTH AND EDUCATION, TREATMENT OF ADDICTS AND ROAD CONSTRUCTION AT THE COMMON BORDER AREAS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES, AND DETAILS OF ALL THESE WILL BE WORKED OUT AT THE DECEMBER MEETING.

HALLHIAM SAID UNFDAC THINKS THAT CHINA AND LAOS SHOULD ALSO INITIATE JOINT DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES TO FIGHT AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKING AND ERADICATE OPIUM PRODUCTION.

THAI ANTI-NARCOTICS OFFICIALS SAID THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE, WHICH COVERS BORDER AREAS OF THAILAND, MYANMAR AND LAOS, WILL PRODUCE 2,500 TO 3,000 TONS OF OPIUM THIS YEAR WITH MYANMAR BEING THE BIGGEST SOURCE.

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BELGRADE (OCT. 11) XINHUA - YUGOSLAVIA AND IRAN HAVE AGREED TO SIGN A LONG-TERM ACCORD ON OIL SUPPLY.

FRANC HORVAT, MINISTER OF THE YUGOSLAV ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES, WAS QUOTED TODAY BY YUGOSLAV NEWS AGENCY TANJUG AS SAYING THIS HERE AFTER A THREE-DAY VISIT TO IRAN.

YUGOSLAVIA IMPORTED ANNUALLY ONE MILLION TONS OF OIL FROM IRAN IN RECENT YEARS. IN THE FIRST EIGHT MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, THE COUNTRY SPENT 100 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS ON PURCHASING IRANIAN OIL MOST OF WHICH CAME FROM THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET, BUT NOT FROM IRAN DIRECTLY.

BOTH SIDES AGREED THAT THEY WOULD AVOID MIDDLEMEN IN FUTURE OIL TRADE. YUGOSLAVIA USED TO IMPORT 10 MILLION TONS OF OIL EVERY YEAR FROM THE SOVIET UNION AND IRAQ. SINCE THE GULF CRISIS, YUGOSLAVIA CANNOT GET OIL FROM IRAQ, AND THE SOVIET UNION ALSO REDUCED ITS OIL SUPPLY FROM 600,000 TONS TO 200,000 TONS PER MONTH.

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BEIJING (OCT. 11) XINHUA - CHINA IS TO BUILD A LARGE-SCALE NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION BASE WITH AN ANNUAL PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 3.5 BILLION CU M IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA DURING THE EIGHTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN (1991-1995).

WEI BUREN, VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE OFFSHORE GAS UTILIZATION CORPORATION OF THE CHINA NATIONAL OFFSHORE OIL CORPORATION (CNOOC), TOLD XINHUA THAT, IN CO-OPERATION WITH FOREIGN COMPANIES, TWO LARGE-SCALE GAS FIELDS HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED IN THE EASTERN PART OF THE SOUTH CHINA SEA. NAMED YA 13-1 AND YA 21-1-1, THEY HAVE TOTAL PROVEN RESERVES OF 300 BILLION CU M.

HE SAID THAT THE ANNUAL OUTPUT OF THE PRODUCTION BASE WILL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE ENOUGH RAW MATERIAL FOR 10 PLANTS EACH WITH A CAPACITY OF 300,000 TONS OF SYNTHETIC AMMONIA OR 550,000 TONS OF UREA, OR ENOUGH ENERGY FOR 10 MILLION FAMILIES.

BUT IN THE INITITAL STAGES MOST OF THE GAS WILL BE EXPORTED AFTER BEING LIQUEFIED TO PAY OFF THE FOREIGN LOANS USED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE GAS PRODUCTION BASE.

THE CORPORATION HAS DECIDED TO BUILD A PLANT FOR LIQUEFYING NATURAL GAS IN A COASTAL AREA IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF HAINAN ISLAND. MEANWHILE, HAINAN ALSO PLANS A DOZEN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS INCLUDING RUBBER, CHEMICAL FERTILIZER AND CHEMICAL FACTORIES.

ACCORDING TO INFORMED SOURCES, THE CNOOC HAS HELD A SERIES OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH JAPANESE COMPANIES ON THE POSSIBILITY OF CO-OPERATION IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION BASE.

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LAGOS (OCT. 11) XINHUA - A DEATH CAMP WHERE OVER 200 LIBERIANS WERE KILLED BY LATE PRESIDENT SAMUEL DOE AND HIS TROOPS WAS DISCOVERED IN MONROVIA YESTERDAY.

ACCORDING TO REPORTS FROM THE LIBERIAN CAPITAL MONROVIA TO- DAY, THE DEATH CAMP, ONLY A FEW KILOMETERS AWAY FROM THE PRESIDEN- TIAL PALACE, WAS LITTERED WITH SKULLS AND BONES OF LIBERIANS KILLED DURING THE 10-YEAR RULE OF SAMUEL DOE WHO TOOK POWER AS A MASTER SERGEANT IN 1980.

A GROUP OF FOREIGN NEWSMEN WERE TAKEN TO THE LUTHERAN CHURCH WHERE SAMUEL DOE'S SOLDIERS SHOT AND KILLED OVER 500 FLEEING REFUGEES WHO SLEPT AT THE CHURCH ON JULY 29, THIS YEAR.

MEANWHILE, SMALL SCALE FIGHTING CONTINUED IN MONROVIA YES- TERDAY AS REBEL LEADER PRINCE YORMIE JOHNSON, WHO VOWED TO DRIVE LEADER OF THE MAIN WARRING FACTION CHARLES TAYLOR OUT OF LIBERIA, LAUNCHED ATTACKS ON TAYLOR'S TROOPS IN COLLABORATION WITH THE 6,000-STRONG WEST AFRICAN PEACE-KEEPING FORCE.

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KATHMANDU (OCT. 11) XINHUA - SIX FRENCH CLIMBERS SCALED 8,848-METER MOUNT QOMOLANGMA, THE MOUNTAINEERING SECTION OF THE NAPALESE TOURISM MINISTRY ANNOUNCED THIS AFTERNOON.

THIS BROUGHT THE TOTAL WHO SCALED THE WORLD'S HIGHEST PEAK FROM THE SOUTH SIDE IN THE CURRENT AUTUMN SEASON TO 28, INCLUDING THREE WOMEN. FRANCE HAS THE LARGEST NUMBER OF 10, FOLLOWED BY NEPAL WITH SEVEN, FOUR FROM THE UNITED

STATES, THREE EACH FROM YUGOSLAVIA AND SOUTH KOREA AND ONE FROM CANADA.

THE NEW SUMMITERS ARE FROM A 26-MEMBER FRENCH EXPEDITION PERMITTED TO CLIMB MT. QOMOLANGMA FROM THE NORTHEAST RIDGE.

THEY ARE 29-YEAR-OLD MOUNTAIN GUIDE YVES SALINO, 41-YEAR-OLD MOUNTAIN GUIDE JEAN NOEL ROCHE, 30-YEAR-OLD PHOTOGRAOHER ALAIN DESEZ, 31-YEAR-OLD CHEMICAL ENGINEER RENE DEBOS, 31-YEAR-OLD MOUNTAIN GUIDE DENIS PIVOT AND 17-YEAR-OLD STUDENT BERTRAND ROCHE.

MEANWHILE, SPAINISH CLIMBER MANUEL MORALES RODRIGUEZ AND ARGENTINE CLIMBER MIGUEL ANGEL SANCHEZ OF A FIVE-MEMBER EXPEDITION SCALED THE 8,167-METER MT. DHAULAGIRI ON OCTOBER 5 FROM THE NORTHWEST SIDE.

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#90284h0053 10/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA (OCT. 11) XINHUA - BANGLADESH PRESIDENT H.M. ERSHAD INAUGURATED ON WEDNESDAY THE UTTAR RUPGANJ WATER CONSERVANCY PROJECT AT KALINGI NEAR DHAKA, AS PART OF THE COUNTRY'S EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE SELF-SUFFICIENCY IN FOOD BY 1992.

ACCORDING TO LOCAL MEDIA TODAY, THE PROJECT IS IMPLEMENTED WITH CHINESE ASSISTANCE OF 3.38 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS. IT WILL FACILITATE IRRIGATION TO 2,270 HECTARES OF LAND IN THE AREA. IT INCLUDES AN 18 KILOMETER FLOOD CONTROL EMBANKMENT, A 15.50 KILOMETER DRAINAGE CANAL AND A 38.50 KILOMETER IRRIGATION CANAL.

THE PROJECT WILL HELP PRODUCE ADDITIONAL 16,620 TONS OF FOODGRAINS. THE PRESIDENT SAID AT THE FUNCTION THAT WITH THE END OF ACHIEVING SELF-SUFFICIENCY IN FOOD BY 1992 IN VIEW, HIS GOVERNMENT HAS GIVEN PRIORITY TO IMPLEMENTING A NUMBER OF IRRIGATION PROJECTS.

HE THANKED THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND THE CHINESE PEOPLE FOR PROVIDING ASSISTANCE IN IMPLEMENTING THE WATER CONSERVANCY PROJECT.

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#90284h0055 10/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 11) XINHUA - CHINA HAS BUILT 22 LARGE RAILWAY STATIONS SINCE 1978, ACCORDING TO TODAY'S OVERSEAS EDITION OF THE "PEOPLE'S DAILY".

IN ADDITION, SOME OTHER LARGE RAILWAY STATIONS SUCH AS SHENYANG NORTH STATION AND SHENZHEN STATION ARE STILL UNDER CONSTRUCTION, AND MOST OF THE COUNTRY'S SMALL STATIONS HAVE BEEN REPAIRED OR RENOVATED.

MODERN ELECTRONIC INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY IS WIDELY USED IN THE NEW RAILWAY STATIONS, ACCORDING TO THE NEWSPAPER.

IT ATTRIBUTED THE NEW DEVELOPMENTS TO CHINA'S OPEN DOOR POLICY AND THE RAPID GROWTH OF TOURISM, AS WELL AS THE INCREASED MOBILITY OF THE POPULATION AT LARGE.

AND THE PROSPERING ECONOMY BROUGHT ABOUT BY THE PAST DECADE OF REFORM HAS SPURRED THE ACTIVITIES OF PURCHASING AGENTS AND SALESMEN, THE PAPER NOTED. A RECENT SURVEY SHOWS THAT PURCHASING AGENTS AND SALESMEN TRAVELING BY TRAIN ACCOUNT FOR 25 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RAILWAY PASSENGERS.

MEANWHILE,THE NUMBER OF CHINESE AND FOREIGN TOURISTS TRAVELING BY TRAIN IS INCREASING BY 15 PERCENT A YEAR, ACCORDING TO THE PAPER.

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#90284h0062 10/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 11) XINHUA - A TOTAL OF 113,614 INDIANS HAVE BEEN EVACUATED FROM THE JORDANIAN CAPITAL AMMAN BY AIR INDIA, PRESS TRUST OF INDIA (PTI) REPORTED TODAY.

AIR INDIA TODAY WOUND UP ITS EVACUATION PROGRAM OF INDIANS WHO WERE FLEEING FROM IRAQ AND KUWAIT AFTER AIRLIFTING THE LAST BATCH OF 195 EVACUEES TO BOMBAY.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE INDIAN VESSEL M.V.AKBAR DOCKED AT DUBAI'S PORT RASHID IN THE EARLY HOURS OF THE DAY WITH 858 INDIAN EVACUEES FROM KUWAIT ON ITS SECOND VOYAGE FROM IRAQ'S KHOR AL ZUBAIR PORT.

THE 113,614 INDIANS WERE EVACUATED FROM AMMAN IN 419 SPECIAL FLIGHTS OPERATED BY AIR INDIA SINCE AUGUST 14.

ACCORDING TO EARLIER REPORTS, THERE WERE 170,000 AND 90,000 INDIANS IN KUWAIT AND IRAQ RESPECTIVELY BEFORE THE CURRENT GULF CRISIS.

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#90284h0064 10/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (OCT. 11) XINHUA - THE U.S. PLAY, "DRIVING MISS DAISY" WILL BE PRESENTED BY THE ALLIANCE THEATER COMPANY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, IN SHANGHAI FROM OCTOBER 12 TO 18, ACCORDING TO A LOCAL CULTURE OFFICIAL.

THE PLAY, SET IN ATLANTA, IS THE STORY OF A WEALTHY JEWISH WIDOW, MISS DAISY, AND HER BLACK CHAUFFEUR.

PLAYWRIGHT ALFRED UHRY IS EXPECTED TO ATTEND THE OPENING OF THE PLAY IN SHANGHAI, SAID THE OFFICIAL. UHRY WON THE 1988 PULITZER PRIZE FOR THE DRAMA.

HE ALSO WROTE THE SCREENPLAY OF THE FILM, WHICH WON FOUR ACADEMY AWARDS, INCLUDING BEST PICTURE OF 1989.

IN THE PAST TWO YEARS THE COMPANY HAS GIVEN 600-ODD PERFORMANCES OF THE PLAY IN MANY COUNTRIES, INCLUDING DENMARK AND THE SOVIET UNION. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME FOR THE COMPANY TO PERFORM IN CHINA.

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#90284h0113 10/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 11) XINHUA - THE WORLD BANK HAS APPROVED A LOAN OF 125 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR EARTHQUAKE REHABILITATION IN THE PHILIPPINES, FINANCE SECRETARY JESUS ESTANISLAO SAID HERE TODAY.

ESTANISLAO TOLD REPORTERS THAT THE WORLD BANK HAS PLEDGED 300 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, OF WHICH THE NEWLY APPROVED 125 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS LOAN IS INCLUDED. HE ADDED THAT THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK HAS ALSO AGREED TO GRANT AN ADDITIONAL 100 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

EARLIER, COMMERCIAL BANKS APPROVED A LOAN OF 117 MILLION DOLLARS LOAN FOR THE COUNTRY'S REHABILITATION OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS DESTROYED BY THE JULY 16 KILLER EARTHQUAKE IN NORTHERN LUZON.

MEANWHILE, CENTRAL BANK GOVERNOR JOSE CUISIA BATTED FOR ANOTHER ROUND OF OIL PRICE INCREASES SINCE IT WILL IMPROVE THE PRECARIOUS BALANCE OF PAYMENTS SITUATION.

WITH CRUDE OIL SOARING TO 40 U.S. DOLLARS PER BARREL FROM 25 U.S. DOLLARS, THE PHILIPPINES WILL BE HARD PUT TO SUSTAIN ECONOMIC GROWTH, CUISIA SAID.

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Race to Save the Planet (WGBH) Oct. 8, 1990 (Transcript #104)

In the Name of Progress: The clash between development and environment: forests are being destroyed and air and water poisoned in the fight against poverty. Are there alternatives that don't destroy the environment but can still reach the poorest villages? How two developing countries -- Brazil and India -- are trying to make progress.

Nightline (ABC) Oct. 8, 1990 (Transcript #2446)

Yet Another Budget Crisis Showdown: A long day on Capitol Hill ends with President Bush agreeing to pass a government spending stopgap measure to keep things rolling and Congress working on a modified version of the original budget compromise plan.

Crossfire (CNN) Oct. 8, 1990 (Transcript #156)

Budget or Bust: House Budget Committee members Rep. Jim Slattery (D-KS) and Rep. William Frenzel (R-MN) discuss the latest budget plan passed by the House and the political fallout of the whole budget crisis.

Donahue Oct. 8, 1990 (Transcript #3050)

Is America Falling Apart?: Outspoken Congressman James Traficant (D-OH) talks with his constituents in Youngstown, Ohio, about his controversial positions on a variety of national issues, including why he rebelled against his party leadership and voted against both recent budget compromises in the House.

Good Morning America (ABC) Oct. 8, 1990 (Transcript #1126)

Status of the budget plan; free market for the USSR; Cincinnati Mapplethorpe verdict; Tommy Lasorda interview; Michael Caine interview; autumn leaves; college choices; White House memories; childhood mental disorders; Nobel Prize doctor; Mick Fleetwood interview.

Larry King Live (CNN) Oct. 8, 1990 (Transcript #145)

''An Interview with Jane Fonda and Ted Turner'' (Jane Fonda discusses her latest workout video and Ted Turner talks about his broadcasting empire); ''Plastic Surgery for Men'' (a look at why an increasing number of men are using cosmetic surgery to alter their appearance and image).

Moneyline (CNN) Oct. 8, 1990 (Transcript #200)

The Senate is on the spot to approve budget agreement before Tuesday morning; Britain's decision to join the European exchange rate mechanism is making sterling shine; Australian-based News Corp has lost almost half its value; Big Three devastated in the third quarter; price of beef products rises; Iraq says it's a victim of desert robbery; some incumbents will feel the sting of voter outrage.

Geraldo Oct. 8, 1990 (Transcript #798)

Jackie Collins' ''Lucky Chances'': The author of Lucky and Chances discusses the new mini-series based on these two novels. She discusses her role as co-executive producer and talks with several of the actors and actresses about their parts and working together.

Sally Jessy Raphael Oct. 8, 1990 (Transcript #546)

Bringing Up the Kids: When Mom and Dad Disagree: Two couples who cannot agree on how to raise their children talk about their differences. In each couple, one parent is a strict disciplinarian and feels that parents should keep a distance from their children, while the other parent is more lenient and feels that parents and children should be good friends. Family therapist Jane Nelsen gives advice on how to resolve such differences.

Oprah Winfrey Show Oct. 8, 1990 (Transcript #1061)

Death Hoaxes: People who have faked their own deaths to start all over again with an entirely new identity tell why they dropped out and just walked away. Jonathan Coleman, author of Exit the Rainmaker, talks about his interviews with people who have ''just disappeared.''

Tuesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Male Birth Control Sally Jessy Raphael: Mariette Hartley Geraldo: Rich Kids Who Kill Their Parents Oprah Winfrey: When Your Mate Lets Themselves Go

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Race to Save the Planet (WGBH) October 9, 1990 (Transcript #106)

More for Less: The gentle art of conserving energy -- it's not as bad as you

think. We're hooked on fossil fuels, causing acid rain, greenhouse warming and smog in cities. All over the world, using less and switching to alternatives makes environmental sense. But does it make financial sense?

Race to Save the Planet (WGBH) October 9, 1990 (Transcript #107)

Save the Earth - Feed the World: The miracle of modern farming feeds the world but strains the environment. Around the world, farmers are discovering how to work with nature, finding new ways to preserve and fertilize soil and fight insects without poisoning nature or ourselves.

Nightline (ABC) October 9, 1990 (Transcript #2447)

Israelis Kill 19 Palestinians in Jerusalem: Israeli Deputy Foreign Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Professor Saeb Erakat of An-Najah University discuss the response of the U.S. and U.N. after Israeli police kill 19 and wound 300 Palestinian civilians following demonstrations at a site holy to both Moslems and Jews.

Crossfire (CNN) October 9, 1990 (Transcript #157)

Battle Over Sacred Ground: Seymour Reich, Chairman of American Jewish Organizations, and American-Arab advocate Albert Mokhiber discuss the latest clash between Palestinians and Israeli soldiers.

Donahue October 9, 1990 (Transcript #3051)

Male Birth Control: Dr. C. Alvin Paulsen, who directs one of the few field studies into the effectiveness and safety of male contraception in the U.S., and several of his volunteer study participants talk about the pros and cons of methods of contraception that focus on sperm suppression.

Good Morning America (ABC) October 9, 1990 (Transcript #1127)

Congress and the budget; Saudi Foreign Minister H.R.H. Prince Saud al-Faisal; new Forbes 500; grownups need shots too; African- American schools in Milwaukee; inside Saddam Hussein (author Samir al-Khalil); reliving an epic; Hank Ketchum interview; Peter Allen interview.

Nova (WGBH) October 9, 1990 (Transcript #1711)

Neptune's Cold Fury: An account of the surprising data and photographs received from the space probe Voyager II as it journeyed to the outer solar system to investigate Neptune and its backward-orbiting moon Triton.

Moneyline (CNN) October 9, 1990 (Transcript #201)

Oil prices surged to a new record above $40 a barrel; Congress extended the

deadline for passing a deficit reduction agreement; First Boston put on credit watch; UAL stock fell sharply again after a new employee buyout bid for United Airlines was rejected; restaurant owners struggling to survive.

Inside Corporate America (FNN) October 9, 1990 (Transcript #66)

Century Communications Corporation: CEO Leonard Tow discusses issues facing the cable and cellular communications industry, including possible regulation by Congress, tightening credit from the Federal Reserve Board which reduces available funds for expansion and the emergence of new, competitive communications technologies such as fiber optics.

Larry King Live (CNN) October 9, 1990 (Transcript #146)

''A Question of Justice'' (a discussion of the case of Gladys Vescelus, a victim of sexual assault whose attacker was given a suspended sentence); ''William Safire'' (columnist for the New York Times discusses his new book, Fumble-Rules).

Oprah Winfrey Show October 9, 1990 (Transcript #1062)

When Your Spouse Lets Himself Go: Couples tell how their spouses have changed since their wedding day and receive advice from Dr. David Wescott, author of I Love You -- Let's Work It Out, on what to do when spouses let themselves go to pot.

Geraldo October 9, 1990 (Transcript #799)

Rich Kids Who Kill Their Parents: The motives in the Waysom, Gates and Tankleff murder cases -- all wealthy children who were accused of murdering their parents for money or freedom -- are disputed between attorneys, detectives, authors and a family psychiatrist.

Wednesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Hospital Mix-Ups Sally Jessy Raphael: I Love Her More Than She Loves Me Geraldo: Fat Rights and Fashions Oprah Winfrey: Not Enough Sex in Marriage

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MANILA (OCT. 11) KYODO - JAPAN HAS SUSPENDED THE APPROVAL OF THE 17TH YEN LOAN PACKAGE TO THE PHILIPPINES PENDING THE PLEDGING SESSION FOR THE PHILIPPINE AID PLAN, WHICH IN TURN HINGES ON THE IMPLEMENTATION BY THE AQUINO GOVERNMENT OF CERTAIN ECONOMIC REFORMS BEING PUSHED BY ITS INTERNATIONAL CREDITORS, PHILIPPINE NEWSPAPERS SAID THURSDAY.

QUOTING TAKESHI YAGI, FIRST SECRETARY OF THE JAPANESE EMBASSY HERE, THE REPORTS IN THE DAILIES, THE MANILA CHRONICLE AND THE ANG PAHAYAGANG MALAYA, SAID THAT ALTHOUGH ALL TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF THE LOAN PACKAGE HAVE BEEN COMPLETED, ''THE FINALIZATION OF LOAN AGREEMENTS WILL HAVE TO WAIT BEFORE THE MAI (MULTILATERAL AID INITIATIVE) PLEDGING SESSION.''

THE MAI AID PLAN IS A MULTIBILLION DOLLAR SCHEME AIMED AT FUNDING GOVERNMENT PROJECTS TO REVIVE THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMY, ENDANGERED BY A SLOWDOWN.

THE REPORTS SAID THE 17TH YEN LOAN PACKAGE IS THE MAJOR PART OF JAPAN'S COMMITMENT TO THE PHILIPPINES UNDER THE MAI.

PHILIPPINE OFFICIALS SAID THEY ARE SEEKING THE EQUIVALENT OF 1.9 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS FROM JAPAN'S OVERSEAS ECONOMIC COOPERATION FUND THROUGH THE 17TH YEN PACKAGE. THE AMOUNT IS 1 BILLION DOLLARS ABOVE THE 16TH YEN LOAN PACKAGE.

THE REPORTS SAID UNNAMED PHILIPPINE OFFICIALS INTERPRETED JAPAN'S MOVE AS ''AN EFFORT BY THE PHILIPPINES' MAJOR INTERNATIONAL CREDITORS TO MAKE PRESIDENT (CORAZON) AQUINO PUSH HARDER FOR CERTAIN ECONOMIC POLICY MEASURES NOW STALLED IN THE FACE OF STRONG DOMESTIC OPPOSITION.'' ;;MORE NNNN R052 R CA15 R

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THE PHILIPPINE OFFICIALS NOTED THAT ''BILATERAL AID PROGRAMS BECOME CLOSELY, IF INDIRECTLY, GOVERNED BY TERMS SET'' BY THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF) AND THE WORLD BANK, THE REPORTS SAID.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE LINKAGE BETWEEN BILATERAL AID AND IMF CONDITIONS HAS BEEN ''FORMALIZED AND FORTIFIED'' THROUGH THE AID PLAN.

THE SECOND PLEDGING SESSION FOR THE AID PLAN HAD BEEN SLATED FOR SEPTEMBER BUT HAD TO BE POSTPONED REPEATEDLY AS MANILA'S ECONOMY SUFFERED A DECLINE, COUPLED WITH A STRONG EARTHQUAKE LAST JULY 16, NECESSITATING ADJUSTMENTS IN REQUIREMENTS.

JAPAN HOSTED THE FIRST PLEDGING SESSION FOR THE AID PLAN, COMMITTING ALMOST 50

PERCENT OF THE TOTAL OF 3.5 BILLION DOLLARS PLEDGED.

THE REPORT SAID THE SECOND SESSION MAY BE HOSTED BY PARIS OR HONG KONG EARLY NEXT YEAR.

FINANCE SECRETARY JESUS ESTANISLAO NOTED THAT THE SECOND PLEDGING SESSION WILL ONLY GO THROUGH IF THE PHILIPPINES CAN FORGE A NEW ECONOMIC PROGRAM WITH THE IMF, THE REPORTS SAID.

INTERNATIONAL LENDING INSTITUTIONS HAVE BEEN ASKING THE PHILIPPINES TO CURB THE BUDGET DEFICIT, ESTIMATED TO BE BETWEEN 60 TO 90 BILLION PESOS, RAISE REVENUES THROUGH NEW TAXES, AND IMPLEMENT A TARIFF LIBERALIZATION PROGRAM.

AN ECONOMIC PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH THE IMF WILL ALSO MEAN THE DISBURSEMENT OF 88 MILLION DOLLARS IN THE THIRD TRANCHE OF THE FUND'S EXTENDED FUND FACILITY AND 118 MILLION DOLLARS IN THE FINAL TRANCHE OF THE TOTAL OF 713 MILLION DOLLARS FROM INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL BANKS, THE REPORTS SAID.

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JAPAN'S OSAKA GAS SETS UP SINGAPORE OFFICE

SINGAPORE (OCT. 11) KYODO - A MAJOR JAPANESE GAS UTILITIES COMPANY, OSAKA GAS CO., AND ITS WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY, OSAKA GAS ENGINEERING, HAVE SET UP A REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN SINGAPORE, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID THURSDAY.

MASAFUMI OHNISHI, PRESIDENT OF OSAKA GAS CO., SAID THE COMPANY CHOSE SINGAPORE IN ORDER TO PURCHASE LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS (LNG) FROM THE REGION.

LAST YEAR, THE COMPANY IMPORTED ABOUT THREE MILLION TONS OF LNG FROM INDONESIA BRUNEI, AND AUSTRALIA.

OHNISHI SAID THE COMPANY ALSO WANTED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF AN EXPECTED SHIFT IN ENERGY CONSUMPTION TO LNG.

ASKED ABOUT THE IMPACT OF THE GULF CRISIS AND HIGHER OIL PRICES ON LNG USAGE, HE SAID, ''THE RISE IN OIL PRICES WILL BE IN OUR FAVOR BECAUSE OF THE TIME LAG BETWEEN THE PRICES OF OIL AND LNG. IT WILL BE LIKELY WE WILL SEE A LARGE NUMBER OF USERS SWITCHING TO LNG.''

THE SINGAPORE OFFICE IS THE THIRD OVERSEAS REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE FOR OSAKA GAS AND THE FIRST FOR OSAKA GAS ENGINEERING.

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TOKYO (OCT. 11) KYODO - JAPAN WILL NOT RECONSIDER THE PACKAGE OF FARM TRADE REFORM MEASURES IT SUBMITTED TO THE MULTILATERAL TRADE TALKS UNDER THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT) LAST MONTH, DESPITE A U.S. CALL TO DO SO A GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL SAID THURSDAY.

SHIGERU MOTAI, VICE MINISTER AT THE AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, AND FISHERIES MINISTRY, TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE THAT THE U.S. CALL FOR A MORE DRASTIC FARM TRADE LIBERALIZATION PLAN FROM JAPAN WILL NOT CAUSE TOKYO TO REVIEW ITS PROPOSAL.

HIS REMARKS CAME AS A RESPONSE TO A RENEWED U.S. REQUEST THAT JAPAN MAKE ITS FARM TRADE PROPOSAL MORE ATTRACTIVE FOR THE UNITED STATES, WHICH WERE MADE TUESDAY TO JAPANESE INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY MINISTER KABUN MUTO, WHO WAS VISITING WASHINGTON.

SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER REITERATED A U.S. CALL FOR JAPAN TO OPEN ITS RICE MARKET, AND U.S. TRADE REPRESENTATIVE CARLA HILLS TOLD MUTO THAT SHE WAS DISAPPOINTED BY JAPAN'S LACKLUSTER LIBERALIZATION PROPOSAL ON FARM TRADE.

BAKER REPORTEDLY ASKED MUTO TO RECONSIDER THE JAPANESE OFFER, AND COME UP WITH A MORE DRASTIC PROPOSAL.

JAPAN SUBMITTED IN SEPTEMBER A DETAILED LIST OF ITS DOMESTIC FARM-SUPPORT MEASURES AND A PACKAGE OF FARM TRADE REFORM PLANS TO THE GATT FARM NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE URUGUAY ROUND OF MULTILATERAL TRADE TALKS.

THE PACKAGE INCLUDES JAPAN'S PLEDGE TO CUT 30 PERCENT OF ALL AGRICULTURAL SUBSIDIES OVER 10 YEARS, AND A SPECIFIC PLAN TO TRIM THE GOVERNMENT'S TOTAL SUBSIDIES ON THREE CEREALS -- RICE, WHEAT, AND BARLEY -- BY 5.4 PERCENT OVER SEVEN YEARS.

THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE GATT FARM TALKS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR PROPOSALS ON FARM TRADE REFORM BY OCTOBER 15.

NEITHER THE U.S. NOR THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC) HAVE PUT THEIR OFFERS ON THE TABLE YET.

MOTAI SAID THE COUNTRIES SHOULD MAKE THEIR OFFERS BY THE DEADLINE AGREED UPON BY THE PARTICIPANTS.

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OSAKA (OCT. 11) KYODO - OMRON CORP., A LEADING ELECTRIC MACHINERY MAKER, SAID THURSDAY IT WILL LAUNCH A NEW HIGH-SPEED WORKSTATION NEXT SPRING.

OMRON SAID THE MODEL LUNA-II IS CAPABLE OF EXECUTING UP TO 20 MILLION INSTRUCTIONS PER SECOND, OR MIPS, PROVIDING ROUGHLY FIVE TIMES THE POWER OF

ITS CURRENT TOP-RANGE MODEL.

MIPS IS A MEASURE OF THE PROCESSING SPEED OF A COMPUTER, REFERRING TO THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF MACHINE LANGUAGE INSTRUCTIONS THAT THE COMPUTER CAN PERFORM IN A SECOND.

THE NEW MODEL USES MOTOROLA INC.'S LATEST MICROPROCESSOR, THE MODEL 68040, AS A CENTRAL PROCESSING UNIT, OR THE NERVE CENTER OF A COMPUTER, THE COMPANY SAID IN A RELEASE.

OMRON SAID THE NEW MODEL WILL BE PRICED AT THE 2 MILLION YEN LINE PER UNIT.

WORKSTATIONS ARE DESKTOP MACHINES THAT ARE MUCH MORE POWERFUL THAN PERSONAL COMPUTERS. THEY ARE MAINLY USED FOR SUCH PROCESSING-INTENSIVE TASKS AS COMPUTER MODELING OF NEW PRODUCTS.

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TOKYO (OCT. 11) KYODO - NKK CORP. SAID THURSDAY IT HAS SET UP A BASE IN THE UNITED STATES FOR THE SALE OF ITS OPTICAL DISK AUTOCHANGERS.

THE NEW COMPANY, NKK ELECTRONICS AMERICA INC., IN SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, IS CAPITALIZED AT 600,000 DOLLARS AND WHOLLY OWNED BY NKK'S U.S. SUBSIDIARY, NKK U.S.A. CORP.

THE COMPANY WILL BE A SALES BASE IN NORTH AMERICA AND ALSO PROVIDE TECHNICAL SERVICES.

THE OPTICAL DISK AUTOCHANGER IS A KEY PRODUCT OF NKK'S NEW ELECTRONICS DISVISION, OFFICIALS SAID.

NAMED "DISK INN," THE COMPACT, LARGE COMPUTER MEMORY SYSTEM CONSISTS OF TWO MAGNETO-OPTICAL DISK DRIVES AND AN OPTICAL DISK ELEVATOR MECHANISM.

IT HAS A MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF 56 5.25-INCH DISKS AND A MEMORY CAPACITY OF 36 GIGABYTES.

AN ESTIMATED 2 BILLION YEN IN SALES ARE EXPECTED IN THE INITIAL YEAR.

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TOKYO (OCT. 11) KYODO - FACED WITH U.S. CRITICISM OVER SUSPECTED UNFAIR BIDDING FOR A MAJOR AIRPORT PROJECT, JAPAN FINDS ITSELF IN A QUANDARY OVER HOW TO PREVENT A FLARE-UP OF TRADE DISPUTES OVER U.S. ACCESS TO THE NATION'S CONSTRUCTION MARKET.

THE ISSUE REVOLVES AROUND THE FAILURE OF A HIGHLY COMPETITIVE U.S. FIRM TO WIN A CONTRACT FOR A "PEOPLE-MOVER" AT THE NEW KANSAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN A TENDER HELD IN AUGUST.

WASHINGTON HAS BEEN PRESSING TOKYO TO EXPLAIN WHY AEG WESTINGHOUSE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS INC., WHICH HAS BUILT SUCH GROUND TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS AT AIRPORTS AROUND THE WORLD, LOST THE AWARD TO A LESS-EXPERIENCED CONSORTIUM OF JAPANESE FIRMS, ALLEGING THAT THE BIDDING PROCEDURES WERE UNFAIR.

KANSAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CO. (KIAC), BUILDER OF THE MULTIBILLION DOLLAR AIRPORT ON A MAN-MADE ISLAND IN OSAKA BAY, DISMISSED ALLEGATIONS OF UNFAIR PRACTICES.

"TECHNICALLY, THEY WERE THE SAME. BUT THE PRICE THE U.S. FIRM OFFERED WAS 3 BILLION YEN HIGHER (THAN THE JAPANESE WINNER)," SAID A KIAC OFFICIAL, WHO ASKED NOT TO BE NAMED.

JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ARE AFRAID THAT THE DISPUTE WILL REVIVE THE ONCE-SETTLED TRADE NEGOTIATIONS ON EXPANDING FOREIGN ACCESS TO JAPAN'S CONSTRUCTION MARKET.

JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES AGREED IN MAY 1988 TO FACILITATE FOREIGN ENTRY INTO JAPAN'S CONSTRUCTION MARKET AND ALLOW FOREIGN CONCERNS TO BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS.

THE U.S. IS TAKING SUCH A TOUGH STAND THAT IT CANCELLED TALKS SLATED IN TOKYO LAST MONTH TO REVIEW PROGRESS SINCE THE 1988 PACT.

THE CONSTRUCTION MINISTRY, WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR TRADE TALKS ON CONSTRUCTION, IS TRYING TO GET THE CONSTRUCTION MINISTRY TO TAKE ACTION IN FAVOR OF U.S. CONTRACTORS OVER PROJECTS FOR THE AIRPORT AS IT HAS STRONG INFLUENCE OVER THE AIRPORT BUILDER.

BUT A SENIOR OFFICIAL AT THE CONSTRUCTION MINISTRY SAYS IT IS DIFFICULT TO SATISFY WASHINGTON.

"THEY ARE PUSHING US NOT ONLY TO OPEN THE MARKET, BUT ALSO TO SHOW RESULTS," THE OFFICIAL NOTED.

THE OFFICIAL AND OTHERS SAY THE DISPUTE WILL PROVIDE A FOCUS AT BILATERAL TALKS SLATED IN BOSTON ON OCTOBER 15-16 TO FOLLOW UP PROGRESS SINCE THE TWO COUNTRIES WRAPPED UP STRUCTURAL IMPEDIMENTS INITIATIVE TALKS LAST JUNE WITH TOKYO PLEDGING TO TAKE MEASURES TO OPEN ITS MARKET FURTHER.

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KITAKYUSHU (OCT. 11) KYODO - DANTANI CORP., A LEADING PLYWOOD MANUFACTURER

BASED IN KITAKYUSHU, SAID THURSDAY IT HAS ENTERED INTO A TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE MALAYSIAN LUMBER EXPORT FIRM SAMLING CORP.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT, DANTANI WILL PROVIDE GUIDANCE TO SAMLING IN BUILDING AND OPERATING A PLYWOOD FACTORY IN BINTULU, SARAWAK.

THE FACTORY, NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION, IS DUE TO BE COMPLETED AND BROUGHT INTO OPERATION NEXT MARCH. IT WILL HAVE A MONTHLY PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 10,000 CUBIC METERS.

SAMLING WILL GIVE DANTANI THE PREFERENTIAL RIGHT TO SELL PLYWOOD, MANUFACTURED AT THE BINTULU FACTORY, IN JAPAN.

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OSAKA (OCT. 11) KYODO - ITOMAN AND CO. WILL ENTIRELY WITHDRAW FROM THE REAL ESTATE BUSINESS, REPAYING ALL ITS LAND-LINKED DEBTS TOTALING 700 BILLION YEN BY THE END OF NEXT SEPTEMBER, THE COMPANY'S HEAD SAID THURSDAY.

ITOMAN PRESIDENT YOSHIHIKO KAWAMURA TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE THAT BY MARCH NEXT YEAR, THE COMPANY WILL ALSO HAND OVER THE MANAGEMENT OF ITS ITOMAN TOTAL HOUSING, FORMERLY THE DEFUNCT SUGIYAMA SHOJI, TO SUMITOMO BANK, ITS MAIN CREDITOR.

THE AGGRESSIVE LOANS AND INVESTMENT IN REAL ESTATE PROJECTS BY THE OSAKA-BASED TRADING HOUSE HAVE COME UNDER INCREASING CRITICISM AS THE BANK OF JAPAN (BOJ) AND OTHER FINANCIAL AUTHORITIES HAVE BECOME MORE SENSITIVE TO THE EXPOSURE OF JAPANESE BANKS TO REAL ESTATE LOANS AFTER A LOAN SCANDAL INVOLVING SUMITOMO BANK WAS REVEALED LAST WEEK.

IN AN UNUSUALLY LENGTHY CONFERENCE THAT LASTED MORE THAN TWO HOURS, KAWAMURA REVEALED THAT AT THE END OF MARCH THE COMPANY WAS 1.12 TRILLION YEN IN ARREARS INCLUDING 734.2 BILLION YEN IN LAND-RELATED DEBTS WHICH ARE EXPECTED TO BE REDUCED TO ZERO BY THE END OF NEXT SEPTEMBER.

KAWAMURA RULED OUT PREVAILING SPECULATION THAT THE COMPANY IS NEAR TO BANKRUPTCY DUE TO ITS TOWERING DEBTS AS TOTALLY UNFOUNDED.

"IT IS IMPOSSIBLE THAT WE WILL REVIEW DOWNWARD OUR FINANCIAL REPORTS (FOR FISCAL 1990 ENDING MARCH 31)," HE SAID.

KAWAMURA ALSO SAID HE WILL NOT STEP DOWN UNTIL THE DEBT PROBLEM IS CLEARED, ADDING THAT HE WILL RECONSIDER THE MATTER NEXT YEAR.

ABOUT SUEMITSU ITO, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WHOM SUMITOMO BANK HAS URGED ITOMAN TO DISCHARGE FROM REAL ESTATE-RELATED OPERATIONS, KAWAMURA SAID HE HAS NO INTENTION OF LETTING HIM GO.

MEANWHILE, SUMITOMO BANK SAID IT WILL PROVIDE ALL-OUT SUPPORT FOR ITOMAN TO RECOVER FROM ITS FINANCIAL TROUBLES AND TO STAVE OFF A POSSIBLE CREDIT CRISIS WHICH IS EXPECTED TO DAMAGE THE BANKING INDUSTRY AS A WHOLE.

ON ITOMAN'S PLAN TO ENTRUST IT WITH ITOMAN TOTAL HOUSING, SUMITOMO SAID IT WILL SEND OTHER OFFICIALS TO ITS MANAGEMENT, IF IT RECEIVES AN OFFICIAL REQUEST FROM ITOMAN.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 11) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stocks are lower: ... The Nikkei loses 909 points. ... The FTSE is off 13 points in early afternoon trading. ... Bonds bounce with the long yield down to 9.01% as the dollar also rebounds. ... Brent North Sea crude is up 50 cents this morning to $39.80. ... MESA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP has agreed to sell part of its portfolio to SEAGULL ENERGY in a deal that could be worth about $475 million and cut Mesa's $1.4 billion debt by about a third. ... FITCH INVESTORS SERVICE says bondholders may seek up to half of DONALD TRUMP's stake in the TAJ MAHAL casino in return for restructuring $675 million worth of junk bonds. ... Atlanta developer JOHN PORTMAN has agreed to turn over ownership of part of his ATLANTA PEACHTREE CENTER in a restructuring of his organization's $2 billion debt.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

HOUSE MINORITY WHIP NEWT GINGRICH (R. - GA) addresses the Financial Executive Institute on the progress of the budget. ... OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT & BUDGET Director RICHARD DARMAN is scheduled to testify before the Senate Government Affairs Committee on the response of the OMB to Government Management failures. ... Columnist-commentator DAN DORFMAN is moving from CABLE NEWS NETWORK to CNBC. He will continue writing columns for "USA Today." ... AT&T plans to unveil today an inexpensive chip for personal computers that combines voice, audio, graphics and modem functions.

FROM THE BULLS:

LOUIS EHRENKRANTZ, president of EHRENKRANTZ & KING, sees the bear market coming to an end. "What I see is the other side of the coin," he says. "No bear market is a bear market unless it has a beginning without any real rally indicated that for the first time since the invasion of the Gulf, the market is weakening perceptibility without any support. That usually is the

beginning of what we call a washout. That's when the analysts who last week told you that their indicators were pointing up start throwing up the towel and you see massive selling. That's started and that selloff is usually the end of the bear market. The trick is to determine how long it will take. Sometimes it takes five days. ... Sometimes it takes five weeks, but very, very rarely any longer. So between now and early November, you've got what I consider to be shopping time." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 10/10)

Pessimism about the economy is getting too extreme, says WILLIAM STERLING, international economist for MERRILL LYNCH. "We're getting to the silly season where the economic hypochondriacs are out." Sterling looks for two quarters of a "garden variety recession," but says the silver lining will be lower interest rates as a result. "We think fed funds could go as low as 6 1/2% by the early part of 1991," says Sterling. (CNN "Business Morning", 10/11)

FROM THE BEARS:

"It's going to get grimmer," says RON SLOAN, a portfolio manager and strategist with SIEBEL CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. "Investors are getting hit in the head with a hammer every day and they still aren't pessimistic enough. Stock prices may look great now. But it's premature to buy now." ("USA Today", 10/11)

"The market is not acting well at all," says EDWARD NICOSKI of PIPER, JAFFRAY & HOPWOOD. "When it became apparent stocks couldn't rally, a lot of people just threw in the towel and sold." Nicoski says the market "seems that it wants to go lower." ("Investor's Daily", 10/11)

STOCK MARKET:

The market is poised for a trading rally up to 2750 by December 4th, a major cycle turning point, according to DAVID POWELL at the "Volume Analyzer." But the rally will be against the major trend and should be played only by the most aggressive traders, advises Powell. "Long term investors should use the rally as an opportunity to sell," says Powell who sees the advance-decline line forecasting a Dow decline to below 1620. (CNBC "World Business", 10/11)

"Market breadth has turned lousy again, which tends to confirm [Wednesday's] price decline," says NEWTON ZINDER at LEHMAN BROTHERS. ("The Washington Post" 10/11)

"When [Wall] Street got the word that the [Treasury] auction went poorly, programs just ripped the market apart," says THOMAS GALLAGHER, managing director of capital commitment at OPPENHEIMER & CO. "There's a real feeling that the market is starting to fall apart." (WSJ, 10/11)

"You've got bond jitters and, of course, war jitters," says PETER CANELO of BEAR STEARNS. "At the end of the day we had a little bit of program selling,

making things worse." (CNN "Moneyline", 10/10

"There are lots of bargains out there right now even though I think the Dow is going to head lower from here," says ANDY SAMOILOFF, one of the individual investors interviewed by "USA Today." PAUL PARKER, who describes himself as an active trader, says: "This is just part of the game. I see it as a great buying opportunity, so the paper losses now don't bother me a bit. Even if the Dow hits 1800, long- term it won't matter." ("USA Today", 10/11)

"It's called white-knuckle time," says KENNETH SPENCE, technical analyst at SALOMON BROTHERS. (WSJ, 10/11)

"We're probably still in a testing process," says WALTER MURPHY of MERRILL LYNCH. "Surprises in a bear market are generally negative ... but I think ... that we can evaluate this backing and filling more as a test rather than a resumption of a downtrend. But it's all in the context of a still-developing bear market." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/10)

"You don't want to be in companies that are not going to show very strong earnings comparisons," says LAWRENCE AURIANA of THE KAUFMANN FUND. He says the same about companies that "may have negative earnings surprises." Auriana believes investors should look to "recession resistant companies." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/10)

"It will probably take several weeks for the market to completely heal itself " says CHARLES HOOPER of the "Mutual Fund Strategist." He looks for very rough sailing with a low probability of a sustainable advance. Hooper says he sees signs which suggest the possibility of commercial bank failures. "A money market fund continues to be the most attractive investment alternative." (CNBC "World Business", 10/11)

With the Nikkei dropping 909 points today, many analysts are looking for support at the 20,000 level. But with the average already at 22,586, it could break down even further, says ANDREW McGRATH, assistant vice-president in Tokyo for CITICORP SCRIMGEOUR VICKERS. "When the market loses 40% or two trillion dollars of value, it's telling you something about the long term situation in the [Japanese] economy." (CNN "Business Morning", 10/11)

STOCK TIPS:

With a recession on its way, investors must remember that "consumers have to eat, have to be clothed, have to go to the doctor and take their medication," says MICHAEL CARTY of VALUE LINE. He likes MICHAEL FOODS, BECTON DICKINSON, TYSON FOODS and CPC. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/10)

TRAVELERS probably has more exposure to troubled real estate than other insurance companies, says HERBERT GOODFRIEND, insurance industry analyst for PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. The company was big lender to oil patch real estate during

the 1980's. Other insurance companies with relatively high exposure to real estate: AETNA, CIGNA, LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE, UNUM and NORTHWEST NATIONAL LIFE. But Goodfriend says problems in the insurance industry are not comparable to those with S&Ls: "They're not as leveraged as the S&Ls. [Insurance companies] invested in a different kind of real estate and mortgage - they're better protected." (CNBC "World Business", 10/11)

"The high-visibility stocks, like HEWLETT-PACKARD, INGERSOLL-RAND, MOTOROLA, CBS and THE WASHINGTON POST, are having a particularly bad time in this bear market, which is so unforgiving when earnings come in below estimates. We seem to have at least one a day," says ROBERT STOVALL, president of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. (NYT, 10/11)

PAUL JOHNSON of NEEDHAM & CO. is predicting third quarter profits of 39 cents per share for CISCO SYSTEMS, a long-distance computer networking company. Given last year's earnings of 12 cents, he says he's "on the high side" of Street expectations, but also thinks "they'll beat my numbers." Johnson believes Cisco will prove immune to the problems of a weak economy. ("Investor's Daily", 10/11)

DUN & BRADSTREET is a favorite stock of LOUIS EHRENKRANTZ of EHRENKRANTZ & KING, who sees a bull market beginning by the end of the fourth quarter. He also likes GENERAL MOTORS. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/10)

"The [retail] sales fall-off has been much steeper than we were anticipating," says DANIEL BARRY of KIDDER, PEABODY. He has just cut his earnings estimates for SEARS ROEBUCK, J.C. PENNEY, DAYTON HUDSON, K MART, MAY DEPARTMENT STORES and NORDSTROM. (WSJ, 10/11)

"Although retailers are telling me their inventories are conservative, they're not conservative enough in my opinion for a slow sales environment in September, October and early November," says THOMAS TASHJIAN of SEIDLER AMDEC SECURITIES. "We'd view a market bounce as a liquidation opportunity for retail stocks, despite a likely surge in Christmas sales if the Middle East situation is remedied before the holiday season." Mr. Tashjian suggests selling J.C. PENNEY, NORDSTROM and GAP short, betting that their stock will drop. (WSJ, 10/11)

"CHASE MANHATTAN BANK and BANK OF WASHINGTON are going to have devastatingly bad results because they've already told us that," says RICHARD BOVE of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "But companies like MANUFACTURERS HANOVER and CHEMICAL BANK are likely to report surprisingly good earnings relative to expectation." ("Nightly Business Report", 10/10)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

Unless war breaks out, there is "absolutely no reason to buy the dollar," says JOSEPH CAMBRIA, foreign exchange manager at BANQUE PARIBAS in New York. He notes the dollar will go through periods of consolidation. "You don't want to see the dollar falling 2% every day." (WSJ, 10/11)

Considerable downside potential remains for the dollar against the yen, says KIYOHIKO YOSHIZAWA, foreign exchange officer at MIDLAND BANK PLC in New York. "People are already looking for 120 yen," he says, and they will "use any excuse to sell the dollar" against the yen. (WSJ, 10/11)

Fed policy makers last week agreed to cut short-term interest rates 1/4 point in response to a budget agreement but balked at committing to another cut to counter weakness in the economy, says a front page report in today's "Washington Post." Greenspan pushed for the deeper cuts, says the story, but most of the FOMC expressed concern that the cut would backfire if it increased investor concerns about future inflation. (Washington Post, 10/11)

"If this budget issue were not on the table, if he were not wrestling with that, I think [FED CHAIRMAN ALAN] GREENSPAN would have eased a while ago," says CHARLES LIEBERMAN of MANUFACTURERS HANOVER SECURITIES. "The only reason he is holding back is because he is trying to dangle the carrot in front of Congress." But Lieberman says he expects the budget uncertainty to drag on past Oct. 19 "and at that point I think he eases anyway." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/10)

"There is a sense in the bond market community that Congress cannot come to grips with the deficit problem, that there is leadership lacking in the White House vis a vis fiscal policy so that we probably cannot experience any major reduction in the federal budget deficit for quite some time," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN of DEAN WITTER. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/10)

"The auction [for the seven year note] was very sloppy," says PETER BASS, a managing director at S.G. WARBURG SECURITIES INC. "People thought rates were high enough for it to have had a better outcome than it did." He continues, "There were absolutely no bids from Japan, which is ridiculous. Normally you would see some bidding for a seven-year, but not this time. People in Europe are becoming very pessimistic about our ability to manage our affairs and think that yields, irrespective of very weak economic activity, will rise." (NYT, 10/11)

When Treasury bonds are yielding more than 9%, some investors switch out of stocks - where the long-term annual return is 10%, but isn't guaranteed - in favor of bonds. "At least with bonds, you know you're going to get your money

back someday," says MICHAEL WOLSKI, a bond trader at CARROLL, McENTEE & McGINLEY in New York. (WSJ, 10/11)

"We're in a meltdown in the [junk bond] market," says MARTIN WHITMAN, a veteran New York investor in junk bonds. "Everyone is shell- shocked. They've abandoned hope." (WSJ, 10/11)

"I'm still bearish" on junk bonds, says JAMES CAYWOOD, managing partner at CAYWOOD-CHRISTIAN CAPITAL MANAGEMENT in San Diego. "We're going to have a lot of defaults and restructurings now. It's the new game in town. When a company runs into problems, the solution seems to be to take it out of bondholders' hides." (WSJ, 10/11)

"The silver bugs got crushed," says MIKE MIKOLAY of HOSPITAL TRUST NATIONAL BANK. "The truth is that there's too much silver around," says JOHN FACK of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. ("USA Today", 10/11)

THE ECONOMY:

"It smells like and tastes like and acts like a recession," says RICHARD O'BRIEN, economist at HEWLETT-PACKARD. "So even if we may not be in a recession, [but] growth is so slow we might as well be." MICHAEL HALLMAN, president of MICROSOFT CORP., says, "We hear the hoofbeats of our competitors and the economy over our shoulder." ("USA Today", 10/11)

"Apparently we're going into a recession - if we're not in one already," says MARGO McGLADE of PAINEWEBBER INC. Last month, she cut her estimates on "all of the [retail] stocks we follow except WAL- MART." She anticipates reducing her estimates further after today's sales reports. "The third and fourth quarters could be even worse than we forecast." (WSJ, 10/11)

"The earnings picture is a weak one," says BARBARA SCHMIDT of BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD. "We believe we're in a recession that could last until the second quarter of 1991." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/10)

IN WASHINGTON:

The OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET estimates the fund that insures bank deposits will shrink by $6.1 billion - more than half its current size - over the next three fiscal years. ("USA Today", 10/11)

"Unfortunately, I think a lame-duck session [to pass a budget] has become the most likely scenario," says CHARLES LIEBERMAN of MANUFACTURERS HANOVER SECURITIES. "The only thing that will prevent that is if [PRESIDENT] BUSH threatens to veto a continuing resolution and if that forces sequestration as the only alternative. I think the prospect of sequestration would scare everybody so maybe then they could come to some agreement. But most likely it's going to be a lame-duck session, which the markets will absolutely hate."

(CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/10)

"At a time when this country needs to look very much like somebody's in charge to allow sequester to take place looks a lot like nobody's in charge," says SEN. DAVID DURENBERGER (R. - Minn.), explaining why PRESIDENT BUSH did not allow automatic sequestration to take place. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/10)

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ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - For the third quarter of 1990 ended Sept. 30, CPC International Inc. (NYSE: CPC) today reported earnings per common share of $1.27, up 12.4 percent from $1.13 in the third quarter of 1989. Net income rose 13 percent to $98.6 million from $87.2 million.

Worldwide sales in the quarter amounted to $1.45 billion, 13 percent higher than last year's third quarter sales of $1.29 billion, and operating income of $201.3 million was up 16 percent from $173.8 million a year ago. Financing costs for the quarter were 32 percent higher than in last year's third quarter attributable largely to acquisitions made during the year.

For the first nine months of 1990, earnings per common share increased 15 percent to $3.51 from $3.05 in the comparable period last year. Net income for the period amounted to $272.5 million, a gain of 15 percent over $238 million in the first nine months of 1989.

Worldwide sales in the nine-month period amounted to $4.26 billion, an increase of 12 percent over last year's $3.80 billion, and operating income was up 17 percent to $549.6 million from $469 million in the first nine months of 1989.

As part of its growth strategy, CPC has completed 26 acquisitions since 1986, including two within the past month. As reported earlier, CPC completed the purchase in late September of the Conimex oriental food business from a Dutch affiliate of Reckitt & Colman PLC of the United Kingdom. Conimex, with annual sales of close to $40 million, is a leading producer and marketer in the Netherlands of authentic Indonesian and other oriental-style foods.

Since the quarter ended, CPC has also acquired Milwaukee Seasonings, Inc., a producer of custom-formulated food ingredient systems for the U.S. foodservice and food processing industries. Its sales in 1990 are expected to be in excess of $40 million. Operating Income from Consumer Foods Increases 21 Percent in 3rd Quarter

Operating income from CPC's worldwide consumer food operations showed strong gains of 21% in the third quarter and 12.5% in the first nine months over the comparable period last year.

Worldwide sales of consumer foods in the third quarter were 17 percent higher than in the same quarter last year, and volumes were up 5.5 percent. Contributing to the gains were acquisitions made during the year and higher dollar values of foreign currencies.

For the nine-month period, sales of consumer foods were 14 percent higher than in the comparable period last year, and volumes were up 6.3 percent.

Best Foods, CPC's North American consumer foods business, posted an increase of 10 percent in operating income for the third quarter. Sales were essentially unchanged from last year's third quarter, despite 1.9 percent lower volumes than in the third quarter last year; for the nine- month period, Best Foods volumes are 1.3 percent higher than in 1989. Among products showing strong volume gains were Mazola corn oil, Mueller's pasta products, and Knorr soups and sauces. Volumes of Hellmann's and Best Foods mayonnaise were lower for the quarter but essentially unchanged for the year-to-date, while volumes of Skippy peanut butter and Karo syrup were lower than in the strong third quarter last year. In the baking business, bread volumes were lower while Thomas' English muffins continued to do well.

European operations achieved a 27% gain in operating income in the third quarter, and sales were up 28 percent. Volumes were 11.5 percent higher than in the third quarter last year, with acquisitions contributing strongly to the gain.

Latin American operating income improved sharply during the quarter - rising by 56 percent on a sales increase of 45 percent. Volumes were up 11.1 percent. In Asia, despite volume growth of 8.4 percent, sales showed a smaller gain of 4.6 percent as Asian currencies weakened, and operating income was up only marginally due in part to unsettled conditions in the Philippines.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pacific Stock Exchange (PSE) announced today the commencement of options trading on the common stock of Baltimore Gas & Electric Co., Central & South West Corp., Signet Banking Corp. and U.S. Bancorp. U.S. Bancorp trades over-the-counter. The other shares are exchange listed and traded at the PSE. This offers investors the opportunity of trading both instruments on the same exchange, providing a benefit for risk management transactions.

Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. of Baltimore, Md., operates businesses in electricity and natural gas. The company is also active in alternative energy systems, real estate development, and senior living facilities.

Central & South West Corp. of Dallas is a public utility holding company engaged in activities related to electricity.

Based in Richmond, Va., Signet Banking Corp. is a holding company in commercial and consumer banking, insurance, investment banking and securities brokerage activities.

U.S. Bancorp of Portland, Ore., is a multi-bank holding company in commercial, mortgage, and international banking. The company is also in real estate financing, insurance activities, equipment leasing, brokerage and other related financial services.

Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. Stock Symbol: BGE Option Symbol: BGE Expiration Cycle: March four-month Current Months Trading: November, December, March Exercise/Position Limits: 5,500 Exercise/Strike Prices: 22-1/2; 25; 30

Central & South West Corp. Stock Symbol: CSR Option Symbol: CSR Expiration Cycle: February four-month Current Months Trading: November, February, May Exercise/Position Limits: 5,500 Exercise/Strike Prices: 35; 40; 45

Signet Banking Corp. Stock Symbol: SBK Option Symbol: SBK Expiration Cycle: March four-month Current Months Trading: November, December, March Exercise/Position Limits: 3,000 Exercise/Strike Prices: 10; 12-1/2; 15

U.S. Bancorp Stock Symbol: USBC Option Symbol: UBQ Expiration Cycle: January four-month Current Months Trading: November, December, January, April Exercise/Position Limits: 5,500 Exercise/Strike Prices: 15; 17-1/2; 20; 22-1/2

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#90284p3561 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Tekelec (NASDAQ: TKLC) today announced that it has completed the acquisition of the assets of the test equipment business of Hard Engineering Inc.

ETelec designs, manufactures and markets test systems worldwide for data communications, telecommunications and integrated voice/data communications devices and networks. The acquisition enables the company to expand its telecommunications protocol and T1 test products to include portable, field service test systems.

Tekelec now believes it offers the broadest line of intelligent digital network test systems worldwide, ranging from high performance test systems for the developer to portable field service products for network managers.

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#90284p3563 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN VIEW (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - "You gotta see it to believe it," said one of the 225 Sacramento testers of a revolutionary new television service.

David B. Lockton, president of Interactive Network, a Mountain View- based company, announced today the results of its six-month field trial of its patented interactive television system.

This unique system allows a television viewer to participate with their favorite television sports and quiz show programs using a wireless, hand-held Interactive Control. While watching the program, the viewer can predict the next play in a football game, answer a quiz show question or guess the winners of the Emmy awards. Each answer adds points to the player's score which, at the end of the game, is sent to Interactive Network's computers to determine the interactive winner of competitive contests.

"Eighty-two percent of the likely purchasers of the service said that it changed their overall viewing habits," said Lockton. Typical consumer responses included, "It challenges me to think more," "I like the fact of participating with my television, also the competitiveness of it all," "This is wholesome entertainment."

"The results of this test confirm Marshall McLuhan's claim that television is a participatory medium," said Lockton.

A viewer rating log was kept for all the interactive programs throughout the test based on the participants' daily diaries. Viewership ratings were two to five times higher than the Nielsen's using a methodology which was developed jointly with A.C. Nielsen, an investor in Interactive Network.

"Interactive television programs not only attract more viewers through renewed interest, but also encourage significant crossover in viewer habits," said Lockton. "There are viewers who did not formerly watch 'Jeopardy!(TM)' at all for example, but now find the interactive version addictively engaging."

Interactive Network Inc., plans to introduce the patented interactive television system in Northern California by early 1991. The market introduction will include all of California by fall of 1991. Here are some of the key findings:

-- 78 percent are either "very" or "somewhat" likely to pay a minimum of $20 per month for interactive television.

-- 51 percent were "extremely interested" ("10" on a 10 scale) in buying one or more tiers of service.
-- The group played and scored nearly six times more frequently than Interactive Network expected. One tester has played and scored over 1,000 different games.
-- Of the expected customers, 75 percent now watch more game shows and 54 percent now watch more sports, interactively.
-- 94 percent of them say that the Interactive Network system "enhances" the experience of viewing game shows while 66 percent say that it "enhances" watching sports.
-- 43 percent said they would "subscribe" to basic cable or upgrade to premium cable channels if it provided the opportunity for more interactive programming.

This independent market research was administered by DAC Research, San Francisco, Calif. the information was collected throughout the test using daily diaries, focus groups, customer service inquiries, field service reports computerized scoring calls, and lengthy self-administered questionnaires.

"Initial interest," said Lockton, "was from the adult member of the household. But once the Interactive Control was in the house, everyone, kids included, wanted to play. Clearly, we've touched a nerve in the behavior of an interested group of television viewers. They became very attached to their control and changed the way, possibly forever, that they watch television. For these people, Interactive Television is a passionate, not passive medium."

Throughout the test, Interactive Network operated 15 hours a day, seven days a week. A partial list of programs included Baseball, Basketball, Football, "Wheel of Fortune (TM)," "Jeopardy! (TM)," and "Family Feud (TM)."

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#90284p3564 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAYWARD, CA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Nellcor Inc. (NASDAQ: NELL) today reported revenue of $34.3 million and net income of $2.6 million (17 cents per share) for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenue in the first quarter of fiscal 1990 was $30.3 million and net income was $2.5 million (17 cents per share).

The increase in revenue this quarter over the same period a year ago principally reflects continued growth in sales of adhesive sensors and shipments of the N-2500 anesthesia safety monitor and the N-1500 anesthetic agent module. These monitors were not on the market in the fiscal 1990 first quarter. International revenue increased, primarily in Europe, to $6.3

million from $3.7 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Revenue increased 13 percent this quarter compared to the first quarter of fiscal 1990 but was somewhat lower than expected. In September, some hospitals in the United States did not make planned capital equipment purchases in order to reassess their spending plans in light of uncertainty over federal Medicare funding and rising fuel costs. International revenue increased 70 percent this quarter over the same quarter last year as the company experienced strong demand for its products in Europe.

As expected, both revenue and net income for the first quarter were lower than the record levels of the fiscal 1990 forth quarter. These results are due in part to lower backlog in North America at the end of the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter, the seasonal nature of the demand for the company's products and the uncertain economic conditions facing U.S. hospitals. In contrast, operating expenses improved to $15.3 million from $16.4 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, primarily due to lower selling expenses in North America.

Nellcor Inc., founded in 1981, designs, manufactures and markets high-performance monitoring equipment for patient safety and management in operating rooms, recovery rooms, intensive care units and other hospital sites. Nellcor is the leading producer of pulse oximeters used in hospitals for the continuous measurement of patient oxygen status.

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#90284p3565 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL SEGUNDO, CA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Infonet, the leading international value-added network services company, today announced that it has acquired a majority ownership interest in Osiware International by purchasing 67 percent of the firm's shares.

Headquartered in Paris, Osiware International is the parent company which owns and operates Osiware software marketing, development and research organizations focusing on open systems interconnection (OSI) technology. Osiware's shareholders are now Infonet, the Osiware management team and two system integration firms, Inforgal of Portugal and Intercom Data Systems Ltd. of Great Britain.

Osiware offers software products for X.400 messaging, X.500 directory systems, electronic data interchange (EDI) and related OSI-based store and forward solutions such as interconnectivity and message handling systems.

"The core Osiware development team in Vancouver, Canada, will help us further enhance and expand our own Notice 400 family of X.400 products," said Jean-Noel Moneton, vice president of product management for Infonet and newly

appointed chairman of Osiware. "In addition, we will leverage Osiware's expertise in developing our forthcoming messaging products and services, including an X.500 directory. Infonet will in turn give Osiware key international technical and marketing support and financial backing."

Under the terms of its agreement with Infonet, Osiware will continue to function as a separate and independent corporation. "As a new distribution channel for our products, Infonet will help us increase our present stronghold in North America and enlarge our market share in Europe and Asia," explained Robert C. Mealey, Osiware's director of marketing and sales for the United States and Canada. "The additional resources provided by Infonet will also put us in an even better position to meet the needs of our existing client base and system integrators."

Osiware's Vancouver office provides direct sales and services for the firm's North American customers. The company has also developed relationships with a worldwide network of system integrators. These integrators include: HTS HiTech in Canada, Disel and Telefonica Sistemas in Spain, Derieux in France, Cap Gemini Pandata in The Netherlands, Intercom Data Systems Ltd. in Great Britain, Inforgal in Portugal, Intec in Japan, Interep in Switzerland and KCOM in Korea.

According to Moneton, this worldwide network of system integrators will provide a valuable service to Infonet's NOTICE 400 customers who want to implement mail-enabled applications in remote global locations. In some instances, NOTICE 400 users may, for example, wish to integrate their E-mail software with their inventory and order entry applications.

Established in 1970, Infonet is the leading standards-based international value-added network services company. It provides and directly supports communication and computer services worldwide. The company is jointly owned by MCI (NASDAQ: MCIC) and 10 major telecommunication administrations in Europe and the Asia-Pacific.

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#90284p3566 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Tekelec (NASDAQ: TKLC) today announced the ChameLAN 100, a specially designed test system which provides complete monitoring and statistical analysis for high speed FDDI (Fiber Distributed Data Interface) networks.

FDDI product developers can use the ChameLAN 100 to test and diagnose problems in their products, evaluate network performance and resolve interoperability

issues in a network environment. Network managers can use the new tester to evaluate, install and maintain FDDI products. Developers can use the ChameLAN 100 to interpret FDDI protocols such as MAC and SMT, and such higher level protocols as TCP/IP and OSI.

The ChameLAN 100 was designed to meet FDDI's high performance power requirements and those of future technologies. It features an industry standard user interface which runs over X Windows and UNIX. Its state-of-the-art hardware design includes a front-end RISC Transputer. It also includes up to 200 MB built-in hard disk. The ChameLAN 100 is the first test system to incorporate a thin film transistor flat color display which provides high resolution graphics. Tekelec's future plans include options for FDDI network node simulation, load testing and conformance testing.

"Tekelec continues to design and market test products addressing leading edge communications," said Peter N. Vicars, president and chief executive officer. "With FDDI, we are expanding our Chameleon data products line beyond WAN and ISDN to include LAN and high speed broadband technologies."

Tekelec co-developed the ChameLAN 100 as part of the Interop FDDI network showcase. Shipments are expected to begin during the first quarter of 1991. Pricing for the system starts at $36,000.

Recognized as a leading test equipment manufacturer, Tekelec's product line encompasses testing of data protocols (ISDN, X.25, OSI) FDDI Local Area networks, transmission services and equipment (T1, Fractional T1, DDS, T3), signalling (SS7), cellular (GSM), and emerging intelligent network applications. Its products are marketed worldwide through its subsidiaries in Japan and the United Kingdom, and distributors.

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#90284p3570 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PEMBROKE PINES, FL (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Claire's Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CLE) today reported net sales for the month of September increased 47 percent to a record $19,690,000 from $13,420,000 a year earlier, with same-store sales advancing 9 percent.

"We are pleased to report these outstanding September sales results which represent our 27th consecutive month of growth in same-store sales," stated Rowland Schaefer, Claire's chairman and president.

"We are confident that October sales will be a strong continuation of this favorable trend," he concluded.

Claire's Stores, Inc., the nation's premier retailer specializing in one-stop shopping for women's fashion accessories, currently owns and operates 918 stores in 47 states, primarily under the names "Claire's Boutiques," "Topkapi" and "Dara Michelle."

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#90284p3571 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Bausch & Lomb (NYSE: BOL) today announced it has signed a contract with the International Olympic Committee to become a worldwide sponsor of the 1992 Olympic Games in Albertville, France, and Barcelona, Spain.

Under terms of the contract, Bausch & Lomb was awarded exclusive marketing rights in eight product categories: soft and rigid gas permeable contact lenses, contact lens care products, general eye care products, sunglasses, prescription eyewear frames, sports optics products and specified oral care products.

Designation as a TOP (The Olympic Program) sponsor provides Bausch & Lomb with a comprehensive association with the Olympics including the right to use Olympic symbols and mascots in advertising, sales promotion and publicity in more than 100 countries.

"Bausch & Lomb's decision to become a TOP Sponsor reflects our commitment to worldwide healthcare and optics markets," said Thomas C. McDermott, president and chief operating officer. "We intend to leverage the Olympic connection globally with a wide range of marketing programs that serve the interests of our customers -- including healthcare professionals, distributors, retailers and consumers -- as well as our employees."

Bausch & Lomb completes a field of 12 TOP sponsors including Coca- Cola, Kodak Visa, 3M, Matsushita, Mars, Philips, Ricoh, Brother, Time/Sports Illustrated and the U.S. Postal Service.

Headquartered in Rochester, N.Y., Bausch & Lomb manufactures prescription and over-the-counter healthcare products for ophthalmic, optic and dental use, as well as consumer optical products. Bausch & Lomb is the category leader in each of its established businesses, with well-recognized brands including Ray-Ban, ReNu, Boston, Bushnell and Interplak.

Founded in 1853, Bausch & Lomb has marketing and manufacturing operations in 25 countries, and its products are also distributed in more than 70 others.

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#90284p3573 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. (NYSE: CHH) today reported sales for the five weeks ended Oct. 6, 1990, were $257.4 million, a decrease of .2 percent from the $258.0 million recorded in the comparable prior year. The company also reported sales for the 35 weeks ended Oct. 6, 1990, were $1,671.4 million, an increase of .6 percent from the $1,661.2 million recorded in the same period last year. On a comparative store basis, sales were down 1.3 percent in September and flat for the 35 weeks.

Sales for the first two months of the company's fiscal year ended Oct. 6, 1990 were $457.2 million, an increase of .4 percent from the $455.4 million reported in the same period last year. On a comparative store basis, sales were down .7 percent for the period.

Carter Hawley Hale operates 114 department stores under the names of The Broadway-Southern California, The Broadway-Southwest, Emporium, Thalhimers and Weinstocks.

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#90284p3577 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Limited, Inc. (NYSE/LSE/TSE: LTD) reported net sales for the September fiscal month ended Oct. 6, 1990 of $459.3 million, an increase of 10 percent from sales of $416.1 million for the same period in 1989. Sales of $3.129 billion for the eight months ended Oct. 6 increased 17 percent from the same period last year, excluding results of Lerner Woman.

The company's comparable store sales decreased 3 percent in September 1990 and increased 5 percent for the eight months ended Oct. 6, 1990.

As a result of the softening retail environment, margins in the third quarter are expected to be somewhat lower than last year. However, current inventory levels are on plan, merchandise deliveries have been carefully reviewed and the business is well-positioned to achieve expected fourth quarter sales.

The Limited, Inc., through the Limited, Express, Victoria's Secret, Henri Bendel, Lerner New York, Lane Bryant, Abercrombie & Fitch and Penhaligon's, presently operates 3,355 specialty apparel stores and distributes apparel nationally through the Victoria's Secret, Lerner Direct, Lane Bryant Direct and Roaman's catalogues.

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#90284p3578 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBORO, MA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Visual Technology, a Hembrecht & Quist Company, is pioneering a new level of security in the X terminal market by offering Smart Card technology security systems integrated with its family of X Display Stations. Visual is working with Dial-Guard to integrate the two technologies.

The agreement between Visual and Dial-Guard will result in the first X terminals anywhere which offer the level of security available only with Smart Card technology and data encryption. For the first time, user organizations can be assured of virtually complete data security by providing each X terminal user, regardless of where that user is located, with an individual authentication password based on three criteria: what the user knows about the information resident in the database; what hardware the user has; and where the user is physically located.

Ronald A. Smith, president and chief executive officer of Visual, explained, "Organizations in every industry are faced with the crucial challenge of finding efficient new ways to get sophisticated data to the people who need it while protecting that data from the threat of security breaches, both from without and within. By offering our X Display Station customers the Dial-Guard Smart Card technology, Visual provides the industry's most advanced X Windows technology integrated with a totally new level of data security."

Donald L. Mandell, vice president of sales and marketing at Dial-Guard, explained, "In the finance industry, for example, electronic funds transfer occurs every day. People can tap into communications and change the value of dollars or filter dollars off and move them to unauthorized accounts. For the first time, organizations can use Visual's X Display Stations with Dial-Guard to protect their funds transfer systems from unauthorized activity. They will also get realtime monitoring on who is accessing a system, what they are allowed to access, and encrypt this information."

Ronald A. Smith of Visual added that in cases in which a company employs outside programmers who need access to the databases and mainframes, the company needs to protect itself against potential data security breaches. By integrating the Dial-Guard Smart Card technology with Visual's X terminals, companies will be able to offer their users the benefits of X technology, and keep sensitive data secure at the same time.

The Dial-Guard Smart Card/Authenticator System The Dial-Guard security system provides a layer above standard computer security. Dial-Guard allows companies to monitor who is accessing a mainframe database, from which point they enter, and when they leave it. It also monitors unsuccessful login

attempts and generates management reports. It integrates the user-friendly Smart Card/Authenticator with Dial-Guard's system security software to provide access control for PCs, host computers, and enterprise-wide networks. To access a Dial-Guard-protected Visual X Display Station, the user signs on and inserts the Smart Card into the Dial-Guard Authenticator. The systems then performs a transparent challenge and response dialog to validate both the Authenticator and the encrypted user password which is stored in the card. Once the user is authenticted, Dial-Guard's systems establishes encryption keys and a password in the card for use during the next user session login or reauthentication. The Dial-Guard security system is installed in organizations including the Bank of Bermuda, Mellon Bank, Sovran Financial Corporation and at the federal government level. Dial-Guard also has an OEM agreeement with Bull HN Information Systems Inc.

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#90284p3579 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OH (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The BFGoodrich Company (NYSE: GR) announced today that it intends to repurchase shares of its common stock. The repurchase will occur under an existing authorization from the company's board of directors. The authorization, granted in January 1988, permits the company to hold in its treasury up to 10 percent of its issued common shares.

The company intends to make the purchases over a period of time, primarily in the open market. The timing of the purchases and the actual number of shares to be repurchased will depend on market conditions. Goldman, Sachs & Co. will act as exclusive agent for these purchases.

"The repurchase of our shares represents a sound, long-term investment and, because of our excellent financial condition, does not compromise our ability to make strategic investments that will continue to strengthen our businesses " John D. Ong, BFGoodrich chairman and chief executive officer, said.

BFGoodrich is a major producer of plastics and specialty chemicals and supplies components and services to the aerospace industry.

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#90284p3581 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BENSALEM, PA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Charming Shoppes Inc. (NASDAQ: CHRS) the retail women's apparel chain, today reported that total sales for the five weeks ended Oct. 6, 1990, increased 15 percent to $80.6 million from $70.3

million for the comparable period ended Oct. 7, 1989.

Sales for comparable stores increased 8 percent during September. Sales for the eight months ended Oct. 6, 1990, increased 10 percent to $563.5 million from $510.2 million for the comparable period last year. The company's year-to-date comparable store sales increased 4 percent.

Charming Shoppes Inc. operates 1,036 stores in 40 states, primarily under the names of "Fashion Bug" and "Fashion Bug Plus."

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#90284p3584 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOMINGUEZ, Calif. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Pic 'N' Save Corp. (NASDAQ: PICN) announced today that its sales for the five weeks ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $37,018,000, down 5.2 percent from $39,031,000 in the prior year. Sales for the 35 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $300,391,000, up 10.1 percent from $272,915,000 in the prior year. Sales in comparable stores for the month of September decreased by 3.9 percent and increased by 2.2 percent for the year to date.

The company also announced that since the start of 1990 through Oct. 10, it had purchased 4,167,500 shares in open market transactions as part of its previously announced share repurchase program. The company now has 31,641,044 shares outstanding.

During September, Pic 'N' Save opened a total of six stores with the trade name "The WOW! Store," three in Miami, two in Tampa/Clearwater, Fla., and one in Mobile, Ala., bringing the total number of stores in operation at the end of the month to 182.

"We are particularly pleased with the grand opening sales results in our new Florida markets," said William M. Jacobs, Jr., senior vice president, chief financial officer. "While sales trends since mid-August in our established markets, particularly Southern California, have remained soft, we have seen some improvements in the most recent 10 days as our holiday/seasonal inventories have begun to arrive in our stores."

The company, through its subsidiary, PNS Stores Inc., operates a chain of 182 retail stores in the West and the South. These stores all specialize in new, closeout, variety general merchandise which is sold at substantial reductions from original retail prices.

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#90284p3587 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Gantos, Inc. (NASDAQ: GTOS) today reported sales of $24.7 million for the five-week period ended Oct. 6, 1990, an increase of 5 percent from sales of $23.5 million for the comparable period of 1989. The company's comparable store sales decreased 9 percent in September 1990, reflecting a continuation of the difficult retail environment experienced for the past several months.

For the 35 weeks ended Oct. 6, 1990, Gantos sales were $163.1 million. This represents an increase of 13 percent over sales of $143.8 million during the same period in 1989. Comparable store sales year to date through Oct. 6, 1990 declined 1 percent from the 1989 period.

Gantos, Inc. is a leading retailer of quality women's wear. The company currently operates 161 stores in 25 states.

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#90284p3592 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
NAPERVILLE, ILL. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: FMBI) has reported that net income from continuing operations increased for both the quarter and nine month period ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income from continuing operations for the quarter increased to $5.880 million or $.47 per share from $5.612 million or $.45 per share for the like quarter of 1989, an increase of 4.8 percent. And for the nine months, net income from continuing operations increased to $16.859 million or $1.34 per share, from $15,655 million or $1.25 per share for the like period of 1989, an increase of 7.7 percent.

Net income from continuing operations for the nine month period of 1989 does not include after-tax gains totaling $3.135 million, or $.25 per share, realized last year from the sales of a bank and a bank branch. Additionally, all results have been restated to include the recent acquisition of Plainfield National Bank which was accounted for on a pooling of interests basis.

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The quarter's improved performance resulted primarily from an increase in net interest income relatable to a significant growth in average earning assets offset, in part, by a reduction in net interest margin. The growth in earning assets was funded by retail deposit growth experienced across all First Midwest banks. As these funds are deployed into higher yielding assets net interest margins are projected to return to the higher levels previously enjoyed.

While down for the nine month period, other operating expenses increased during the quarter primarily as a result of the incurrence of certain nonrecurring expenses. Management believes that other operating expenses continue to be well controlled and anticipates improvement in this category in the fourth quarter.

The quarter's provision for loan losses of $1.988 million was comparable with the first quarter's $2.278 million and second quarter's $1.893 million. At Sept. 30, 1990 the reserve for loan losses stood at 1.36 percent of net loans, up from 1.32 percent a year ago and 1.33 percent at the beginning of the year.

The level of problem assets improved during the quarter with nonperforming assets plus loans past due 90 days or more declining 6.5 percent from the June 30, 1990 peak levels. Further improvement is projected during the remainder of the year.

With total assets of $2.3 billion, First Midwest Bancorp is one of Illinois' largest bank holding companies operating 33 banking and five trust offices in northern Illinois.

FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP, INC. CONSOLIDATED HIGHLIGHTS
(unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share data)

Period ended	Third quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest income	$55,497	$49,953	$153,142	$149,861
Tax equivalent adjustment	853	845	2,384	2,696
Tax equivalent interest income	56,350	50,798	155,526	152,557
Interest expense	(32,861)	(28,014)	(87,449)	(85,502)
Tax equivalent net interest income	23,489	22,784	68,077	67,055

Provision for loan losses	(1,988)	(1,380)	(6,159)	(4,628)
Other operating income	3,667	3,661	10,884	10,407
Gain on sale of assets (A)	--	--	--	5,196
Investment security gains (losses)	--	(674)	111	(349)
Other operating expenses	(16,219)	(15,522)	(47,311)	(47,381)
Tax equivalent income before income taxes	8,949	8,869	25,602	30,300
Income tax expense	(2,216)	(2,412)	(6,359)	(8,814)
Tax equivalent adjustment	(853)	(845)	(2,384)	(2,696)
Adjusted income taxes	(3,069)	(3,257)	(8,743)	(11,510)
Net income	$ 5,880	$ 5,612	$ 16,859	$ 18,790
Net income from continuing operations(B)	$ 5,880	$ 5,612	$ 16,859	$ 15,655
Per Share Data:				
Net income	$0.47	$0.45	$1.34	$1.50
Net income from continuing operations(B)	$0.47	$0.45	$1.34	$1.25
Dividends paid	$0.13	$0.12	$0.39	$0.36
Average shares outstdg	12,550	12,543	12,551	12,524
PERFORMANCE RATIOS (In percent)				
Return On --				
-- Average equity based on net income	14.54	15.51	14.39	18.10
-- Average equity based net income from continuing operations(B)	14.54	15.51	14.39	15.08
-- Average assets based on net income	1.01	1.12	1.06	1.25
-- Average assets based on net income from continuing operations(B)	1.01	1.12	1.06	1.04
Net Interest Margin (tax equivalent)	4.38	4.97	4.66	4.85

A -- The "Gain on sale of assets" for 1989 represents gains from the sale of a branch office during the first quarter and a bank during the second quarter.

B -- Net income from continuing operations excludes the after tax gains on sales of assets.

BALANCE SHEET HIGHLIGHTS (In thousands, except per share data)

As of Sept. 30	1990	1989	Percent change
Total assets	$2,340,318	$2,069,367	13.09
Total earning assets	2,138,308	1,890,713	13.10
Total loans, net of unearned discount	1,276,983	1,224,572	4.28
Reserve for loan losses	17,353	16,138	7.53

Total deposits and repurchase agreements	2,131,061	1,863,919	14.33
Stockholders' equity	162,278	146,129	11.05
Book value per share	12.94	11.65	11.07
Capital Ratios (in percent)			
Stockholders' equity to total assets	6.93	7.06	
Primary capital to total assets	7.62	8.30	
Total capital to total assets	7.62	8.30	
Capital to risk adjusted assets--			
--Tier 1	10.00 (C)	8.60	
--Total	11.00 (C)	10.35	

(C) estimated at 9-30-90.

CREDIT QUALITY	9/30/90	6/30/90	3/31/90	12/31/89	9/30/89
Loans past due 90 days and still accruing	$4,433	$9,562	$7,232	$3,366	$6,948
Nonaccrual loans	12,887	9,832	6,529	3,759	11,687
Renegotiated loans	2,047	3,878	2,156	1,800	1,448
Foreclosed real estate	16,505	15,093	15,703	15,315	7,168
Nonperforming assets to period end loans plus foreclosed real estate (D)(percent)	2.43	2.23	1.95	1.69	1.65
Reserve for loan losses to period end loans (PCT)	1.36	1.37	1.33	1.33	1.32
Net loan charge-offs to average loans (E) (PCT)	0.54	0.47	0.69	0.29	0.25

COMMON STOCK Quarters ended	9/30/90	6/30/90	3/31/90	12/31/89	9/30/89
Market value					
High	$20.00	$21.00	$23.00	$25.00	$24.75
Low	14.50	18.00	20.00	21.63	16.75
Period end	14.75	18.50	21.00	22.88	24.50
Price/earnings Multiple (F)	8.1x	10.3x	10.6x	11.6x	13.0x
Price/Book Multiple(G)	1.1x	1.5x	1.7x	1.9x	2.1x

D -- Nonperforming assets -- nonaccrual and renegotiated loans plus foreclosed real estate.

E -- Net loan charge-offs are annualized on a year-to-date basis.

F -- Based on period end stock prices and most recent 12-month net income per share.

G -- Based on period end stock prices and book value per share.

All results have been restated to include the acquisition of Plainfield National Bank, acquired in July 1990 and accounted for as a pooling of interests.

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#90284p3593 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MI (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Stryker Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: STRY) reported today that net sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $67,636,000, representing a 24 percent increase over sales of $54,668,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Net earnings before extraordinary item for the quarter increased 20 percent to $5,650,000 from $4,695,000 in 1989, and net earnings per share before extraordinary item increased 20 percent to 24 cents from 20 cents.

An extraordinary gain of $9,910,000, equal to 42 cents per share, relating to the settlement of patent litigation increased net earnings to $15,560,000 and net earnings per share to 66 cents for the third quarter of 1990.

During the first nine months of 1990, net sales increased 23 percent to $202,969,000 from $165,372,000 last year. Net earnings before extraordinary item were $17,485,000, equal to 74 cents per share, compared to $14,360,000, or 61 cents per share, in 1989, representing a 22 percent increase in net earnings before extraordinary item and a 21 percent increase in net earnings per share before extraordinary item. The extraordinary gain increased net earnings to $27,395,000 and net earnings per share to $1.16 for the first nine months of 1990.

Sales of surgical products increased 31 percent in the third quarter and 26 percent for the first nine months of 1990 compared to the prior year periods. The leading surgical sales gains came from Osteonics orthopaedic implants, arthroscopy products and powered surgical instruments.

Sales of medical products declined 3 percent in the third quarter and increased 12 percent for the first nine months of 1990 compared to the prior year periods. The incoming order rate for medical products in the third quarter was very strong across the entire product line.

International sales increased to 30 percent of total sales in the first nine months of 1990 compared to 29 percent last year. The strong international sales growth of 27 percent during the first nine months of the year was led by Osteonics orthopaedic implant, arthroscopy and powered instrument sales by the company's European operations.

Stryker Corporation develops, manufactures and markets specialty surgical and medical products including orthopaedic implants, powered surgical instruments, arthroscopy systems and patient handling equipment for the world market.

STRYKER CORPORATION

Third quarter	1990	1989	Pct. Change

Sales	$67,636,000	$54,668,000	24
Pre-tax earnings	9,115,000	7,575,000	20
Net earnings before extraordinary item	5,650,000	4,695,000	20
Extraord. gain (less income taxes of $6,075,000)	9,910,000	--	--
Net earnings	$15,560,000	$ 4,695,000	231
Net earnings per share:			
Before extraord. item	$.24	$.20	20
Extraordinary gain	.42	--	--
Net earnings	$.66	$.20	230
Average shares outstanding	23,699,000	23,616,000	--

Nine months	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Sales	$202,969,000	$165,372,000	23
Pre-tax earnings	28,205,000	23,160,000	22
Net earnings before extraordinary item	17,485,000	14,360,000	22
Extraord. gain (less income taxes of $6,075,000)	9,910,000	--	--
Net earnings	$ 27,395,000	$ 14,360,000	91
Net earnings per share:			
Before extraord. item	$ .74	$.61	21
Extraordinary gain	.42	--	--
Net earnings	$1.16	$.61	90
Average shares outstanding	23,695,000	23,568,000	1

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Infinite Graphics Incorporated (NASDAQ: INFG) today announced results for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990.

Sales for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990, were $1,011,003 compared to $1,750,234 for the same period last year. The company reported a net loss of $439,715 for the three months ended July 31, 1990, compared to a net loss of $253,264 for the same period last year.

During the first quarter of fiscal 1991, the company concentrated on its reorganization plan, which was to focus on sales to the printed circuit board industry and restructure its debt. The company has been able to restructure its bank debt and continues to try to restructure some leases. Sales and interest in the company's products to the printed circuit board industry has increased over last year and is expected to continue.

Infinite Graphics Incorporated is a total solutions precision graphics company that has served the engineering and manufacturing marketplace since 1969. Infinite Graphics develops and markets engineering graphics services and products for precision graphics and printed circuit board: manufacturing, design and testing.

Headquartered in Minneapolis, the company markets its services and products in the United States, Canada, and Western Europe.

INFINITE GRAPHICS INCORPORATED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS
(Audited)
Three Months Ended

	7/31/90	7/31/89
Net sales	$1,011,003	$1,750,234
Other income	45	12,139
	$1,011,048	$1,762,373
Cost & expenses	1,450,763	2,015,629
Net earnings (loss)	$(439,715)	$(253,284)
Net earnings (loss) per common share	$(0.20)	$(0.11)
Average number of common shares	2,221,686	2,221,686

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#90284p3599 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Dayton Hudson Corporation (NYSE: DH) today reported that its net retail sales for the five weeks ended Oct. 6, 1990 increased 11.3 percent to $1.23 billion from $1.10 billion a year ago.

Comparable-store sales were down 2.0 percent on the 1990 accounting calendar. Comparable-store sales on an adjusted exact week comparison were up 2 percent.

Kenneth A. Macke, chairman and chief executive officer, said the corporation saw a slowdown in sales during September. "Our apparel- oriented Mervyn's and Department Store strategies saw more softening in sales and an increase in promotions. Target's business, which is more commodity oriented, was stronger.

"With the uncertainty in the economy, we are less optimistic about sales and earnings in the fall season," Macke said.

"Given the calendar shift this year, it's most meaningful to look at the results for August and September combined," Macke said. "Total sales for the two-month period were up 15.4 percent and comparable-store sales were up 2.7 percent."

September sales by business segment for the five weeks were as follows: - Target's total sales rose 7 percent while comparable-store sales were up 3 percent. On an exact week comparison, Target's total sales were up 10 percent and comparable-store sales were up 5 percent.

- Mervyn's total sales decreased 4 percent and comparable-store sales decreased 6 percent. On a exact week comparison, Mervyn's total sales were up 1 percent and comparable-store sales decreased by less than 1 percent.

- The Department Store Division's total sales were up 59 percent and comparable-store sales were down 8 percent. On an exact week comparison, the Department Store Division's total sales were up 62 percent and comparable-store sales were down 3 percent. (The total sales increase for department stores primarily reflects five weeks' sales from Marshall Field's; the comparable-store sales number includes Field's, this year and last.)

During the month, Target opened its experimental super store, Target Greatland in Minnesota. Early results are very positive.

The Corporation's sales for the 35 weeks ended Oct. 6 were $8.57 billion, up 13.4 percent from $7.56 billion in the same period a year ago. Comparable-store sales for the 35 week period were up 4.8 percent.

As of Oct. 6, 1990, Dayton Hudson operated 696 stores in 33 states. NOTE: 1989 numbers exclude Lechmere, which was sold, effective Sept. 30, 1989.

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#90284p3600 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Harvey Sanders, president of State-O-Maine, Inc. (NASDAQ: SOME), a company engaged in the design, manufacture and sale of fine quality men's and women's sportswear and men's furnishings, announced today its results for the second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Second quarter 1990 sales reached a record of $24,572,962, an increase of 14 percent over the $21,501,596 posted in the corresponding 1989 quarter. Net income was $983,001 as compared to $1,815,726 in the prior year period.

For the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, record sales of $42,366,180 were 24 percent higher than the sales of $34,256,726 recorded in the corresponding period in 1989. Net income was $1,324,268 as compared to $2,453,279 in the prior year period.

STATE-O-MAINE, INC.

Consolidated Condensed Earnings Summary

Period ended	Six Months		Three Months	
Aug. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$42,366,180	$34,256,726	$24,572,962	$21,501,596
Net earnings	$ 1,324,268	$ 2,453,279	$ 983,001	$ 1,815,726
Earnings per share	$.27	$.49	$.20	$.37

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#90284p3601 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT LAKES, MINN. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Dynamic Homes, Inc. today announced that it received approval for a $400,000 economic development funding package from state and regional agencies, the city of Detroit Lakes, and its board of directors. The company said it expects to receive the funds before Dec. 31, 1990.

The company will use approximately $120,000 of these funds for upgrading transportation equipment, while the remaining $280,000 will be used to finance growth.

The $400,000 package consists of loans from the Minnesota Department of Trade and Economic Development, the West Central Initiative Fund, the Detroit Lakes Development Authority, and $100,000 from the company's board of directors.

David K. Knudson, Dynamic's president, said, "On behalf of Dynamic Homes, I want to extend our sincere thanks to everyone involved with this program. These funds will create new jobs, spur Dynamic's growth and generally strengthen our company. This will be good for our community, our region and our shareholders."

Dynamic Homes is a leading regional builder of modular single-family homes, multi-family dwellings and commercial structures. The company's products are marketed through a network of builder-dealers in Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota South Dakota, Wisconsin and Wyoming. The company's stock is traded on the local over-the-counter market.

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#90284p3602 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Imo Industries Inc. (NYSE: IMD) today announced that its board of directors has authorized an extension of the company's stock buy-back program to 1,750,000 shares of its outstanding common stock, up from the 1,000,000 shares previously authorized.

Since its original authorization in January the company has acquired 713,100

of its shares, and at this time has 17,647,866 shares outstanding.

Third period results of the Instruments Group were negatively impacted by second quarter adjustments which set a major portion of the electro-optical operation's backlog at the break-even level for the balance of the year. As a result, group operating margins were below historic levels. Deliveries within the electro-optical operations scheduled for the fourth quarter, primarily to customers outside of the United States, should result in significant operating income improvement.

Vacation period closing of the Roltra-Morse plants in Italy was a substantial factor in reducing the Controls Group's sales and earnings compared with the second quarter. Competitive pressures, and a continuation of depressed pleasure marine markets both in the United States and Europe, will continue to limit performance in the fourth quarter.

The move of the Power Transmission Group's Boston Gear production activities from Quincy, MA to a modern, efficient facility in Charlotte, NC was largely completed during the third quarter as planned. Manufacturing has commenced at the new location. During the quarter an unfavorable mix of pump repair work was experienced. The outlook for this Group is for moderate recovery of revenue and margin in the fourth quarter.

In the Power Products and Services Group, aftermarket maintenance and repair operations were relatively flat with some pick-up noted toward the end of the quarter. Rotating machinery unit business was good, although delivery of gas turbine units of the type which attractively benefitted the second quarter did not occur. Major units with favorable margins are scheduled for shipment in the fourth quarter. In conclusion, Holcombe stated, "It is now apparent that the convergence of a number of internal and external circumstances will hold IMO's 1990 earnings below those of 1989. The underlying strength of our company, however, is emphasized by the fact that our operating income for 1990 is expected to exceed that of last year despite the severe decline in year-to-year earnings of our electro-optical operations.

IMO supplies analytical and optical instruments, electronic and mechanical controls, engineered power products and their support services to industrial and defense customers worldwide.

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#90284p3604 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) today reported a sales increase of 10.2 percent for September 1990 over sales during the same period of last year. Consolidated sales for the five-week period ended Oct. 3, 1990 amounted to $2,817,601,000 versus sales of $2,556,627,000

for the five weeks ended Oct. 4, 1989.

Sales for the 35 weeks ended Oct. 3, 1990, were $19,979,913,000, up 11.9 percent from the $17,851,773,000 for the first 35 weeks of 1989.

Kmart Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Joseph E. Antonini said, "Sales of basic commodity categories of merchandise, as well as pharmacy products, were generally good during September, more than offsetting some weakness in apparel sales caused by unseasonably warm weather and lower sales in electronics and other big-ticket categories, undoubtedly reflecting consumer caution stemming from Persian Gulf developments. In-stock positions and the availability of seasonal merchandise are much better than a year ago, and the reduction in prices on several thousand items is stimulating store traffic.

Kmart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,331 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse Clubs and The Sports Authority.

Preliminary Report of
KMART CORPORATION ESTIMATED CONSOLIDATED SALES

	5 WEEKS ENDED 10/03/90	35 WEEKS ENDED 10/03/90
	5 WEEKS ENDED 10/04/89	35 WEEKS ENDED 10/04/89
Fiscal 1990 sales	$2,817,610,000	$19,979,913,000
Fiscal 1989 sales	$2,556,627,000	$17,851,773,000
Dollar difference	$ 260,974,000	$ 2,128,140,000
Percentage change	10.2	11.9
Comparable store sales gain	0.7 percent	2.4 percent

Kmart Corporation's stock is listed on the New York, Pacific, Midwest and Tokyo stock exchanges. Its trading symbol is KM.

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#90284p3605 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Motors Insurance Corporation (MIC), a subsidiary of General Motors Acceptance Corporation, announced today it has signed a definitive agreement with Crum and Forster, Inc., a Xerox Financial Services company, for the purchase of NAVCO Corp., an insurance holding company subsidiary of Crum and Forster specializing in personal lines insurance. The purchase price is approximately $250 million.

Joseph J. Pero, president of MIC, stated that this purchase represents an

outstanding strategic fit with MIC and provides significant potential for growth in premiums and profitability.

The sale is subject to regulatory approvals.

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#90284p3608 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - JTN Acquisition Corp. announced today that the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals had agreed to hear on an expedited basis the appeal by affiliates of JTN from an order of the District Court denying their motion to require the holding of a new 1990 annual meeting of shareholders of Justin Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: JSTN). A hearing on the appeal is scheduled for Nov. 7, 1990.

JTN Acquisition Corp. has offered, in a pending tender offer, to purchase up to 6,177,825 shares of Justin Industries Inc. at $18 net per share in cash.

JTN Acquisition Corp. is a newly formed entity organized and led by Perry H. Sutherland of Sutherland Lumber in Kansas City and New York investor Barry S. Rosenstein on behalf of a group which has been involved in a continuing effort to acquire Justin Industries.

CONTACT: Perry H. Sutherland, 816-756-3000, or Barry S. Rosenstein, 212-708-3777, both of JTN Acquisition; or Brian Maddox of Georgeson & Company, 212-440-9862, for JTN Acquisition

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HARTSVILLE, SC (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Sonoco Products Company's (NASDAQ-NMS: SONO) third quarter financial results included a one-time charge to earnings announced by the company in August. "We are restructuring several operations to improve Sonoco's cost and competitive positions and taking other actions that will allow us to better utilize our resources for future growth in the packaging industry," said president and chief operating officer Russell C. King, Jr. As previously announced, the plan will eliminate approximately 500 jobs throughout Sonoco's worldwide operations. When complete, ongoing annual savings from the restructuring are expected to be approximately $20 million pre-tax, or about $.28 per share after-tax. The up-front cash impact of the restructuring will be neutral due to the tax benefit from large non-cash write-offs. Ongoing annual after-tax cash flow will be enhanced by approximately $10 million.

Earnings from ongoing operations in the third quarter of 1990, before the one-time charge, amounted to $.59 per share, level with the third quarter of

1989. After the restructuring charge of $75 million pre-tax, or $55 million after-tax, a net loss of $28.9 million or $.66 per share was recorded for the quarter. Sales of $415.6 million were up 3.2 percent from the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months, sales were $1,239.8 million compared with $1,251.1 million in the same period in 1989. Adjusting for the April 1989 merger of Sonoco's plastic bottle operations with Graham Container Company, sales on a comparable basis were us 2.5 percent. Excluding the one-time restructuring charge, nine month earnings were down 1 percent from the same period in 1989. After the charge, earnings for the nine month period were $23.5 million, or $.54 per share.

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#90284p3613 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - JCPenney stores and catalog sales for the five weeks ended October 6, 1990, amounted to $1,302 million, down 2.3 percent from $1,334 million in the same 1989 period. On a comparable store basis, that is stores open at least a year, sales decreased 3.4 percent.

Commenting on September's performance, William R. Howell, chairman of the board, said that sales gains of such large volume entities as women's dresses and men's suits were not sufficient to offset the slower pace of business in other merchandise categories.

For the 35 weeks ended Oct. 6, 1990, sales of JCPenney stores and catalog rose 2.5 percent to $9,168 million from $8,945 million for the same period a year ago. On a comparable store basis, sales were up 1.4 percent.

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#90284p3618 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, CO (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Cell Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CELL), the Colorado-based biotechnology firm specializing in the development of biologic response modifier (BRM) technology, today announced the formation of an alliance with Dexon Limited, a rapidly growing Israeli-based pharmaceutical company.

Cell Technology and Dexon have agreed to clinically develop, test and ultimately commercialize ImuVert(R), Cell's principal anticancer BRM, in Israel. Dexon is the third largest pharmaceutical manufacturer headquartered in Israel. The parties have agreed to refrain from disclosing the economic terms of the agreement.

Commenting upon the significance of this transaction, Cell Technology's Chairman and President W. Terrance Schreier noted, "This clinical development and commercialization relationship with Dexon and Cell underscores the importance of the further development and deployment of our company's BRM technology throughout the world. Dexon and various prestigious Israeli medical centers will participate in these important scientific and clinical development ventures which will further the commercial viability of ImuVert in an important market. We think this is an outstanding achievement and are proud to co-partner ImuVert with Dexon in Israel."

Cell Technology, Inc., is a biotechnology company specializing in the field of immunotherapy. The company's innovative BRM products are being developed to activate the body's own immune response to fight cancer, viral infections, and to act as a general immunomodulating agent.

CONTACT: W. Terrance Schreier, chairman, president and CEO; William H. Critchfield, VP-finance and CFO; or Frederick C. Pearson, VP-scientific operations, 303-443-8155, all of Cell Technology.

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#90284p3619 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOWLING GREEN, OH (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Mid Am, Inc. (NASDAQ: MIAM) announced today that it has completed its acquisition of Home Saving and Loan Association, Defiance, Ohio, in a transaction whereby the thrift will be operated as a wholly owned subsidiary of the holding company. Mid Am expects to transfer all assets and liabilities of Home Saving to its Bryan, Ohio-based affiliate, First National Bank Northwest Ohio, in November of this year, and thereafter operate the combined entities as a commercial bank.

Mid Am, Inc. will significantly strengthen Home Saving with the infusion of additional capital, management assistance, product and operational resources and financial strength. After the transaction, the holding company will have total assets of more than $1.1 billion and total equity capital of $72.4 million.

Mid Am, Inc. operates 52 offices in northwest and west central Ohio through its affiliates: Mid American National Bank and Trust Company, Bowling Green, Ohio; First National Bank Northwest Ohio, Bryan, Ohio; The Farmers Banking Company, N.A., Lakeview, Ohio; The Citizens Loan and Building Company, Lima, Ohio; and Home Saving and Loan Association, F.A., Defiance, Ohio.

CONTACT: David R. Francisco, president and chief operating officer of Mid Am, Inc., 419-352-5271

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#90284p3623 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MAYNARD, MASS. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Equipment Corporation (NYSE: DEC) today announced it has received a five year, $28 million dollar contract from the diversified British retailer W. H. Smith to supply and run the company's computer network. Digital will manage the system and provide the network linking W. H. Smith's stores and distribution centers with its administrative offices. W. H. Smith has nearly 2100 outlets in Great Britain, the U.S. and Canada.

According to Martin Cutler, W. H. Smith divisional director, information services division, based in London, "We chose Digital for their expertise and because they have the resources to provide the service we need to support our business through the 90s. Digital has an excellent track record in communications and they are committed to Open Systems."

Digital will replace the existing W. H. Smith network with a Managed Data Network Service (MDNS), layered on Digital's own Integrated Digital Network (IDN). W. H. Smith will be linked to their current Digital network with switching equipment installed at sites around Britain. This will free them from the costs and level of expertise required on staff to manage their own network and will yield an estimated savings of nearly $6 million dollars.

According to Digital Vice President William M. Steul, whose group focuses on service industries such as retailing, "This industry offers a significant opportunity for Digital in the 90's. The distributed structure of retailing - large numbers of stores and distribution centers spread out geographically - complements Digital's distributed computing architecture which locates computer power where it is needed most." Steul added, "Digital has developed state-of-the art corporate network technology to meet just this need."

In 1989, W. H. Smith asked Digital to submit a proposal for the management of their wide-area network. This network currently links over 450 sites, allowing access to applications running on ICL mainframes at Swindon, England and a Digital VAXcluster system at Bradford, England. Digital's aim is to reduce the costs of managing and maintaining this essential corporate network while incorporating the latest network technology and services.

Digital Equipment Corporation, headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

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#90284p3626 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association

(Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported net income for the third quarter of 1990 of $299.5 million, or $1.15 per share, fully diluted.

This compares with earnings of $211.9 million, or 80 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989 and $289.6 million, or $1.10 per share, for the second quarter of 1990.

For the first nine months of 1990, Fannie Mae's net income was $865.7 million, or $3.31 per share. This compares with $570.1 million, or $2.17 per share, for the same period of 1989.

David O. Maxwell, chairman and chief executive officer of Fannie Mae, said: "Fannie Mae's 11th consecutive quarter of record earnings reflects the strength and stability of the company. We are encouraged that our acquisitions of foreclosed properties are down by 15 percent compared with the third quarter of last year, while our inventory of foreclosed properties has declined by more than 30 percent from its year-ago level."

Maxwell noted that even with the continued declines in foreclosures and inventory, the company increased its provision for loan losses to $80 million in the third quarter of 1990 from $75 million in the second quarter and $75 million in the third quarter of 1989.

"We have increased our loan loss provision in response to the strong growth in business volumes, particularly Mortgage-Backed Securities," Maxwell said.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Best Buy Co., Inc. (NYSE: BBY) today reported sales for September 1990 (Sept. 2 through Oct. 6), the seventh period of the company's 1990-91 fiscal year.

According to Allen Lenzmeier, senior vice president/finance, September 1990 sales of $58 million were 35 percent more than the $43 million achieved for the comparable five week period last year. Year-to-date sales were $337 million, a 27 percent increase over $265 million for the comparable period last year. Comparable store sales increased 4 percent for September 1990 (41 of the company's stores are considered comparable).

Best Buy reports sales on a 5-4-4 week basis. Net income and earnings per share are disclosed quarterly. Best Buy is the fourth largest publicly held consumer electronics and major appliance retailer in the U.S. The company sells nationally recognized name brand consumer electronic products, 35mm photographic equipment, home office products, entertainment software, and major appliances at 53 stores located in Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, and Texas. Best Buy's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange, symbol BBY.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Enron Corp. (NYSE: ENE) announced today that Richard D. Kinder has been elected president and chief operating officer. Kinder was formerly vice chairman of Enron and chairman and chief executive officer (CEO) of Enron's Gas Pipeline and Marketing Group.

Kinder joined Enron in 1980 and has served in various management positions including senior vice president and general counsel and executive vice president and chief of staff. He holds undergraduate and legal degrees from the University of Missouri.

Ronald J. Burns will succeed Kinder as chairman and CEO of Enron's Gas Pipeline and Marketing Group. Formerly president of the Gas Pipeline and Marketing Group, Burns will continue to be responsible for Northern Natural Gas, Transwestern Pipeline, Florida Gas Transmission, Northern Plains Natural Gas, Houston Pipe Line and Enron Gas Marketing. He also will continue to serve on Enron's management committee and will report to the office of the chairman, which consists of Lay and Kinder.

Burns joined Enron in 1974 and has served as executive vice president of gas transportation, president of Enron Gas Marketing and president of Enron Interstate Pipelines. He holds an undergraduate degree from the Univ. of Nebraska at Omaha.

Enron also announced two additional promotions. Edmund P. Segner III has been promoted to senior vice president of investor, public and government relations for Enron Corp., and E. G. Parks has been promoted to senior vice president of finance and accounting for the Gas Pipeline and Marketing Group.

Segner formerly served as vice president of public and investor relations, a position he has held since he joined Enron in early 1988. Prior to that time, Segner served as a natural gas equity research analyst at Drexel Burnham Lambert. He also held management positions in planning, rates and regulatory affairs and financial relations at United Gas Pipe Line Company and United Energy Resources. Segner holds an undergraduate degree from Rice University and a graduate degree from the University of Houston. He will serve on Enron's management committee and will report to the office of the chairman.

Enron Corp., America's leading natural gas company with approximately $10 billion in revenues and $9 billion in assets, operates the nation's largest natural gas transmission system. The company also markets natural gas, gas liquids, crude oil and refined products nationally and worldwide and owns 84 percent of Enron Oil & Gas Company, one of the country's largest independent

(non-integrated) natural gas exploration and production companies. With extensive experience in combined heat and power installations, Enron is also one of the largest independent producers of electricity in the United States.

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MIDLAND, MICH. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - J. Pedro Reinhard, treasurer of The Dow Chemical Company (NYSE: DOW), has also been named a corporate vice president by the company's Board of Directors.

Reinhard joined Dow in Brazil in 1970 as a credit manager. Following assignments in Dow Latin America and the United States, he was appointed treasurer of Dow Lepetit Latin America in 1974. In 1976, Reinhard was named financial planning manager for Dow in Midland, and returned to Brazil in 1978 as finance director of the then newly created Dow Brazil area.

In 1981, Reinhard was named finance director of Dow Europe. He was named an assistant treasurer by the Board in 1984. He became vice president of Dow Europe and managing director for Dow's Italian operations in 1985.

He was named to his current position in 1988, and was appointed to the Corporate Management Committee in 1989. Reinhard also serves as an ex-officio member of both the Finance and Investment Policy committees of Dow's Board of Directors.

Reinhard earned a master's degree in business administration from the Escola de Administracao de Empresas, da Fundacao Getulio Vargas, Sao Paulo, Brazil, and did post-graduate study at the University of Cologne, Germany.

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BOULDER, COLO. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Cell Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CELL), the Colorado-based biotechnology firm specializing in the development of biologic response modifier (BRM) technology, today announced that it had reached a comprehensive joint research, clinical and licensing option agreement with Laboratories Andromaco, S.A. (Spain), a pharmaceutical company partially owned by Grunenthal GmbH of the Federated Republic of Germany.

Andromaco, a renowned European developer of BRM technology, has successfully developed a series of BRM products for anti-viral and anti- infectious indications, and as adjuvants in cancer treatments. Inmunoferon(R),

Andromaco's first BRM commercially available in Spain, Portugal and Mexico, and recently approved in South Korea, generates more than $10 million ($US) in revenues. Grunenthal, which owns a minority interest in Andromaco, is a leading German international pharmaceutical firm with consolidated revenues exceeding $600 million ($US). The parties have agreed to refrain from disclosing the economic terms of the agreement.

The formation of this joint research and clinical alliance involves an initial two year period of collaborative research and clinical testing by Cell Technology and Andromaco of Inmunoferon and ImuVert(R) by each of the parties, respectively. Andromaco has agreed to co- develop ImuVert, Cell Technology's anticancer BRM, for commercial therapeutic use in Spain, Portugal, Mexico and potentially other European countries. In tandem with this relationship, Cell has agreed to simultaneously develop Inmunoferon for clinical testing in viral diseases, mainly Chronic B Hepatitis and bone marrow restoration in cancer patients in the United States and Canada. Also, at the conclusion of these joint research and clinical activities, Cell and Andromaco have agreed in advance to negotiate cross licenses for ImuVert and for Inmunoferon whereby ImuVert would be commercialized by Andromaco in Spain, Portugal and Mexico and Inmunoferon would be commercialized by Cell in the United States and Canada.

Commenting upon the significance of this joint research alliance, Cell's Chairman and President, W. Terrance Schreier noted, "This joint arrangement involving Cell Technology and Andromaco signifies the importance of the developing field of BRM technology both in the United States and in Europe. Andromaco has been strategically positioned to develop and commercialize promising BRMs in the anti-viral and cancer fields. Our partnership with Andromaco cements our commitment to develop ImuVert in Europe and Inmunoferon in the United States."

Cell Technology, Inc. is a biotechnology company specializing in the field of immunotherapy. The company's innovative BRM products are being developed to activate the body's own immune response to fight cancer, viral infections, and to act as a general immunomodulating agent.

CONTACT: W. Terrance Schreier, chairman, president and CEO;
William H. Critchfield, VP-finance and CFO; or Frederick C. Pearson,
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LEXINGTON, MA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Raytheon Company (NYSE: RTN) today reported a 0.5 percent increase in earnings and a 1.4 percent increase in earnings per share, on a 2.4 percent increase in sales for the third quarter of 1990 compared with the same period last year.

Earnings were $138.0 million, or $2.11 per share, on sales of $2.241 billion.

In the third quarter last year, the company earned $137.3 million, or $2.08 per share, on sales of $2.189 billion.

These results include a $17.5 million before-tax provision, equivalent to $11.5 million after tax or $.18 per share, for the previously announced closing of the company's Caloric appliance manufacturing facility in Topton, Pa.

Excluding the Topton closing costs, third quarter earnings and earnings per share were $149.5 million and $2.29, increases of 8.9 percent and 10.1 percent respectively, versus the same period last year.

For the first nine months, earnings were $413.7 million, or $6.33 per share, on sales of $6.812 billion. In the same period last year, earnings were $391.8 million, or $5.94 per share, on sales of $6.552 billion.

"Four of our five business segments continued to grow," said Thomas L. Phillips, Raytheon chairman and CEO. "During the quarter, our Electronics, Aircraft Products, Energy Services, and Other Lines segments continued their strong operating performance."

Total backlog at the end of the quarter was $8.581 billion, including funded U.S. government orders of $6.193 billion. Total backlog at the end of last year's third quarter was $7.947 billion, including a government backlog of $5.905 billion.

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DEARBORN, MICH. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) today declared a fourth-quarter dividend of 75 cents a share on the company's outstanding stock. This dividend maintains the quarterly payment declared in the third quarter of 1990.

The fourth-quarter dividend is payable Dec. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 1, 1990.

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NORTHBROOK, ILL. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc. (NYSE: IFL) today reported net earnings of $23 million or 87 cents per share for the first quarter of fiscal 1990/91, ended Sept. 30.

That result compares with net earnings of $20 million or 76 cents per share for the same period a year ago.

Sales for the first quarter were $266.1 million, compared with $251 million for the same period last year.

"The performance achieved in the first quarter, represented a 15 percent improvement over the same period in 1989," according to Billie B. Turner, chairman and chief executive officer. "Since prices remain a key factor in improving bottom-line numbers, the gains made in that area are especially gratifying after a prolonged period of depressed levels.

"Prices improved for phosphate chemicals and ammonia, with potash and phosphate rock prices remaining steady during the quarter," Turner said.

The IMCF chief executive also said that, based on the company's improved first-quarter performance, there is some reason for optimism that fertilizer supply/demand could continue strong during the year ahead.

"Continued improvement in demand in both the large U.S. market and overseas, would support better prices. The fundamentals appear positive at this point."

He cited record net farm income, comfortable grain stocks and low fertilizer inventories held by producers and dealers as positive factors concerning the domestic market.

"Major customers such as China and India have returned to the international market, and volumes reflect that renewed activity. In other, non-marketing areas, continued excellent financial performances, including aggressive programs to control costs, must be recognized as important contributors to the company's performance."

IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc., headquartered in Northbrook, Ill., is the world's leading private enterprise producers of two basic fertilizer materials, phosphate and potash, and a manufacturer of two other major crop nutrients, phosphate chemicals and anhydrous ammonia. The company also recovers uranium oxide from phosphoric acid for upgrading by electric utilities for use as fuel in nuclear power plants.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Sherwin-Williams Company (NYSE: SHW) today reported that earnings per share for the third quarter increased 11.5 percent to $1.07 per share from $.96 per share in the same quarter of 1989.

Net income was $46,746,000 versus $41,498,000 last year. Net sales for the quarter increased 7.1 percent to $638,532,000 from $595,983,000. For the first nine months, sales increased 6.4 percent to $1,749,377,000 and earnings per share increased 13.0 percent to $2.34 from $2.07 a year ago. Net income for the first nine months was $101,651,000 compared to $89,104,000 last year.

Sales in the paint stores segment increased 5.0 percent during the quarter with comparable-store sales increasing 4.3 percent. For the quarter, stores' operating income improved only slightly over last year as price competition remained intense. For the first nine months, paint stores' sales have increased 6.6 percent while operating income increased 2.5 percent.

The coatings segment's sales increased 11.2 percent due, in part, to the acquisition of the Krylon and Illinois Bronze aerosol businesses late in the second quarter. Excluding this acquisition, and the disposition of Lyons Transportation Lines Inc. which also occurred in the second quarter, coatings segment sales increased 5.5 percent for the quarter. Operating income for the coatings segment increased 17.4 percent in the quarter. For the nine month period, coatings' sales increased 5.9 percent and operating income increased 12.7 percent.

Commenting on the quarter and nine months, John G. Breen, chairman and chief executive officer said, "We are very pleased with the operating results for the quarter and nine months in light of the softening economy. Although raw material costs have stabilized during the first nine months of the year, oil price increases are beginning to adversely affect this trend. Intensive price competition continues to affect the paint stores segment although we continue to gain market share. The second quarter disposition of Lyons and acquisition of Krylon and Illinois Bronze had little affect on operating income during the third quarter but will help the company's long-term expansion of market share and profitability, particularly in the aerosol products market."

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CHRYSLER INTRODUCES NEW "ADVANTAGE GOLD KEY LEASE PROGRAM"

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Monthly payments to lease a new vehicle for 24 months are less than monthly payments to purchase a vehicle with a 60-month loan in a new Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) lease program introduced today.

The Advantage Gold Key Lease Program is the most comprehensive in company history, according to Tom Pappert, vice president - sales.

"We're offering the widest choice of vehicles and the lowest rates we've ever offered before," Pappert said.

"More and more customers are being attracted to leasing because of programs such as Advantage Gold Key," Pappert said. "They can drive a more expensive vehicle with lower monthly payments, get a new vehicle more often, bypass the trade-in process and avoid 'upside down' financing - in which a consumer owes more on a vehicle than it is worth."

Chrysler's Advantage Gold Key Lease includes a wide range of 1990 and 1991 models, covering 24-, 36- and 48-month lease periods.

Lease customers can also benefit from lower payments through cash incentives, ranging from $250 to $1,500 depending on the length of the lease, on six 1990-91 models. Cash incentives are available on the Dodge Shadow, Plymouth Sundance, Jeep Cherokee, Eagle Premier, Chrysler Fifth Avenue and Dodge Dakota.

The only 1991 models excluded from the Advantage Gold Key program are Chrysler's minivans and the Dodge Stealth, Colt, Vista, Ram 50 and Maserati TC. These models, however, can still be leased under Chrysler's standard Gold Key lease program.

The only 1990 models excluded are the Colt, Vista, Ram 50, Plymouth Laser, Eagle Talon, Summit and Maserati TC.

Advantage Gold Key runs indefinitely on 1991 models and expires Dec. 31 on 1990 products.

Here are some examples how Advantage Gold Key 24- and 36-month leases with cash incentives compare with 48- and 60-month financing.

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BASKING RIDGE, N.J. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Crum and Forster, Inc., the New Jersey-based insurance holding company, announced today it has signed a definitive agreement to sell NAVCO Corp., an auto insurance specialty company, to Motors Insurance Corporation, a subsidiary of General Motors Acceptance Corporation. The purchase price is approximately $250 million.

In August, Crum and Forster announced that a memorandum of understanding had been signed by the two companies. At the same time, chairman and chief executive officer Robert J. Vairo said that proceeds from the sale would be used to support C&F's primary commercial lines business.

Headquartered in St. Louis, NAVCO provides personal automobile insurance primarily to members of associations through its wholly owned subsidiary National General Insurance Company.

The consummation of the sale is subject to regulatory approvals. Crum and Forster, Inc. is a Xerox Financial Services company.

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#90284p3661 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA MONICA, CALIF. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Canon Communications Inc., a leading publishing company for the medical and electronics manufacturing industries, announced today that it has assumed control of three major industry trade shows: Medical Design and Manufacturing East, Medical Design and Manufacturing West and Microcontamination. These conferences and expositions are the leading events in their respective fields and complement Canon's trade publications -- "Medical Device and Diagnostic Industry," "Medical Product Manufacturing News," "International Medical Device and Diagnostics Industry" and "Microcontamination" magazine.

For more than a decade, Canon has served as a primary information source to the markets these publications and trade shows address. Until recently, these shows were co-produced by a contract trade show organizer, Expocon Inc. Canon has now purchased all rights to the events, assuming complete control, effective immediately.

Commenting on the buy-out, Canon's Executive Director Bill Cobert noted, "Gaining ownership of these three industry events was a logical progression for Canon, and for the industries we serve. We will now be able to fully leverage our expertise in the medical and electronics markets to create the highest caliber conferences and expositions for these dynamic industries."

To meet this goal, Canon's strategic plans include expanded conference sessions and training seminars with increased participation from key industry trade groups and government agencies. The exhibits will continue to be the leading showcase for new product information. Additionally, enhanced marketing and promotional efforts are planned.

Coinciding with the announcement, Canon also revealed that Shirley Heim Organization (SHO), Inc. of Los Altos, Calif., has been selected as the official show management organization for all three events. "SHO is uniquely qualified to meet our exhibitors' needs," said Cobert. The company has an impressive background in show management with both domestic and international events, comprising some of the largest in the nation. Prior to forming the organization in 1982, President Shirley Heim was show manager for the Semicon

expositions which are produced annually in the United States, Europe and Asia.
Since its formation more than eight years ago, SHO has built a strong roster of trade shows in the disk drive and computer industries as well as in the hazardous materials market.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - United Dominion Industries (TSE,NYSE: UDI) today said it has signed a definitive agreement to acquire substantially all the assets of AEP-Span from the Overhead Door Corporation. Terms of the proposed purchase were not disclosed.

Located in Dallas, Texas, AEP-Span is a national leader in the design, manufacture and distribution of architectural metal roofing. The company also offers a composite wall product for non-residential construction applications and a line of home improvement products such as patio covers, carports and awnings.

The unit will operate as an independent division of United Dominion Buildings, which is headquartered in Memphis, Tenn. Other divisions within United Dominion Buildings are Varco-Pruden Buildings and Stran Buildings, which manufacture pre-engineered metal buildings for low-rise, non-residential construction markets.

United Dominion indicated that the AEP-Span acquisition is part of its ongoing efforts to enhance its position as a leader in the manufacture and distribution of quality building products and services. Closing is expected to occur November 1 or earlier and is subject to regulatory approval and fulfillment of other conditions in the agreement.

United Dominion (formerly AMCA International) provides manufactured products and engineering/construction services in the areas of pre-engineered buildings industrial products, energy production and steel fabrication. Its common shares are traded on the Toronto, Montreal and New York Stock Exchanges.

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MELBOURNE, FLA. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) won a $5 million contract to supply a depot repair facility for an advanced HF radio communications network known as Cross Fox with the Norwegian Defence Communications and Data Services Administration (NODECA), on behalf of NATO.

The contract was awarded to Harris RF Communications Group, Rochester, N.Y.

The $60 million Cross Fox system, also supplied by Harris RF Communications, is a distributed, computer-controlled HF communication network used by the allied NATO navies for ship-to-shore and shore-to-ship communications, and is located at 27 sites in eight NATO countries.

The depot repair facility will provide special test fixtures and software development facilities that will allow NATO to provide on-going maintenance for the Cross Fox system.

Harris RF Communications Group is a world leader in the design, manufacture, installation and support of advanced HF, VHF and UHF radio equipment, turnkey systems and networks.

Harris Corporation, with worldwide sales of more than $3 billion, is focused on four major businesses: Electronic systems, semiconductors, communications and office equipment.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - BJ Services Company (NYSE: BJS) has officially announced the availability of a newly developed fracturing fluid system for well stimulation employing sea water. This method eliminates the necessity of costly fresh water which has, up to now, been the limiting factor of the number and volume of hydraulic fracturing operations on the North Slope.

BJ Services has successfully applied this technique on several wells for British Petroleum Alaska with positive results. A recent treatment of this type consisted of 83,000 gallons of sea water based fluid and 140,000 pounds of propping agent.

In addition to its availability and low cost, sea water has inherent properties which renders it compatible with formation fluids and water sensitive reservoir minerals. This advanced fluid is designed to accommodate the salinity variations which normally occur in Beaufort Sea water due to seasonal changes.

BJ Services Company is a leading participant in the pressure pumping business serving the petroleum industry worldwide. Principal services include cementing and stimulation work for oil and gas wells.

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#90284p3669 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. LOUIS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The May Department Stores Company (NYSE: MA) today reported preliminary sales from continuing operations increased 3.5 percent to $901.2 million for the five-week period ended Oct. 6. Sales reported during the similar year-ago period were $870.9 million.

Year-to-date sales for the first eight months of fiscal 1990 were $6.04 billion, up 9.1 percent from sales of $5.54 billion reported in the same period last year.

Department store sales for September were $773.8 million, an increase of 3.1 percent or $23.6 million from last year. Sales for Volume Shoe totaled $127.4 million, up 5.6 percent or $6.7 million.

During the month, May opened two department stores and 18 net new Payless ShoeSource stores. May Company, California, opened a department store at Stonewood Center in Los Angeles and Filene's opened a store at CambridgeSide Galleria in Cambridge, Mass.

Sales have been restated to exclude the sales of divisions which have been discontinued, as well as stores which have been closed and not replaced. Year-to-date sales, including non-replaced closed stores, were $6.07 billion and $5.66 billion in the 1990 and 1989 periods, respectively.

As announced previously, May will distribute .13 shares of common stock of Venture Stores, Inc., per share of May common stock to holders of record of May common stock as of Oct. 15, 1990. The shares will be distributed on Nov. 3, 1990. The spin-off will complete May's previously announced disposition of Venture, May's wholly owned discount retail subsidiary. Sales for Venture, which are being reported as discontinued operations, were $123.2 million for September, an increase of 5.1 percent, and were $834.5 million year-to-date, up 6.3 percent. Venture's store-for-store sales increased 0.2 percent for the month and 2.8 percent year-to-date. On a calendar-adjusted basis for September, Venture's sales increased 5.6 percent and store-for-store sales increased 0.8 percent.

The May Department Stores Company is one of the largest retailers in the United States, operating 300 department stores and 2,836 specialty shoe stores.

CONTACT: Jim Abrams of The May Department Stores Company, 314-342-6343

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#90284p3674 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Sun Oil Largeau Chad Limited (Sun) a subsidiary of Sun Company, Inc. and Hunt International Petroleum Company Limited (HIPCO-Tchad) have entered into an agreement to explore a 62 million

acre concession in the African Republic of Tchad. Approval in principle of the joint venture by Tchad's Oil Minister Mahamat Senoussi Khatir was confirmed today.

Tchad is located south of Libya in north-central Africa and the license area is situated south of the Tibesti mountains and north east of Lake Tchad.

HIPCO-Tchad originally obtained the rights to the large license area in 1988 and had done some initial surface geology and gravity work in the area. In October, 1989 HIPCO-Tchad opened an office in N'Djamena, the capital of Tchad, and has maintained the office since that time. Under a HIPCO-Sun agreement Sun will acquire a 50 percent working interest and will become the operator. During the next 18 months Sun will obtain about 800 kilometers of seismic data across the license area.

"We are excited about the prospect of exploring this frontier area with such an experienced and knowledgeable partner," commented HIPCO- Tchad's President Jim McGowen from his Dallas office. "We think this area has an excellent potential for giant reserves."

CONTACT: Jim McGowan, president of HIPCO-Tchad, 214-880-8489

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#90284p3675 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDEN, CO (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Barringer Laboratories Inc., (NASDAQ: BALB) and Coleman Outdoor Products, Inc. announced today that they have entered into an agreement to jointly develop, produce and market a specialty product for use by scientific consulting firms and laboratories.

The companies will cooperate in designing and marketing the new product line. Both company names will appear prominently on the products, which are expected to be marketed to the trade late in 1991 for '92 delivery.

Barringer will receive proceeds from sales of the product line. Headquartered in Golden, Colorado, Barringer Laboratories provides analytical testing services for the environmental and minerals industry.

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Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Barringer

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#90284p3676 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, CA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Ross Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ROST) today reported sales of $63 million for the five-week period ended Oct. 6, 1990, a 5 percent increase above the $60 million in sales for the five weeks ended Oct.

7, 1989. Comparable store sales for the same period were down 6 percent from last year.

For the eight months through Oct. 6, 1990, sales were $499 million, an 8 percent increase above $464 million in sales for the prior year's comparable period ended Oct. 7, 1989. For the eight months, comparable store sales were down 4 percent on a day-for-day basis from last year.

Ross Stores Inc. operates a national chain of off-price retail stores offering first quality, in-season, branded apparel and apparel-related merchandise for the entire family. The company had 169 stores in operation at Oct. 6, 1990, compared to 147 stores at the end of the same period last year.

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#90284p3677 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE HAMILTON, FL (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Orange-co, Inc. (NYSE: OJ) (OCI) announced today that it had signed an agreement to sell for cash a citrus grove totaling about 320 acres in Okeechobee County, Fla. The price will not be disclosed at this time. A closing is expected in November.

This transaction is incremental to the sales completed since August of three citrus groves encompassing about 2,760 acres located in St. Lucie County, Fla. Proceeds from these three transactions totalled $32.6 million. All profits from these transactions will be fully sheltered by the company's tax loss carryforward position.

The company had previously reported that its balance sheet had already been strengthened considerably by the groves that had been sold since August and that outstanding bank debt had been reduced from over $55 million earlier in the year to about $9 million currently. This latest transaction, when complete, will result in additional reduction of debt and further balance sheet improvement.

Orange-co has received a letter from its largest stockholder, Stoneridge Resources (NYSE: SRE) requesting that the reorganization plan announced by OCI in April consisting of the sale of 22 percent of its Florida real estate and other assets with the objective to improve its profitability, cash flow, balance sheet, return on assets and position the company to diversify, be expanded to include the orderly liquidation of all the company's assets and a cash distribution of all net proceeds to its shareholders. Orange-co, Inc.'s board will discuss this request at its next regularly scheduled board meeting and will respond as soon as possible once the request has been sufficiently analyzed.

Separately, Orange-co.'s estimate of this year's crop production from its

17,600-acre Joshua grove located in southwest Florida has increased to the highest level of production since 1982. The company is pursuing the joint venture of this large grove which will provide funds to rehabilitate it and more than triple its production which will result in a unit cost of production which will be highly competitive internationally.

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#90284p3682 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Higher sales and lower earnings were reported by Frisch's Restaurants, Inc. (AMEX: FRS) for the sixteen weeks ended Sept. 23, 1990.

Craig F. Maier, president, reported that total revenue increased 1 percent to $45,455,155 compared to $45,151,444 last year. Net earnings for the first quarter declined 10 percent to $778,852, or $.14 per share, from $865,517, or $.16 per share a year ago.

Maier noted that the sales increase came primarily from six new Big Boy Restaurants opened over the last fifteen months. During the quarter two new Big Boys were opened while four restaurants -- one Big Boy and three Roy Rogers -- were closed. Frisch's operated 101 Big Boy restaurants, 8 Roy Rogers restaurants, two Prime 'n Wine restaurants and two Quality Hotels at the end of the quarter.

The company is in the process of converting five of its remaining Roy Rogers restaurants to Hardee's (the new owner of the Roy Rogers franchise) by the end of December. Maier stated, "We believe that Hardee's is one of the premier chains in the fast food business and we expect that the conversion to Hardee's will give us a much stronger opportunity."

Jack C. Maier, Louis J. Ullman and Alfred M. Cohen were re-elected as directors of the company for two year terms at the annual meeting of shareholders which was held on Oct. 1, 1990.

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DALLAS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Commercial Metals Company (NYSE: CMC) announced today that it has been awarded the contract for the city of Dallas Household Recyclable Material Collection Pilot Program. The pilot program, to include 14,000 Dallas households, will provide convenient residential collection of recyclable materials. In addition to the once a week

residential pick-up, CMC Recycling will be responsible for processing and sales of the aluminum and steel cans, glass, newsprint, and plastics such as milk jugs and soda bottles.

Stanley A. Rabin, president and chief executive officer, commented that although the Dallas pilot program is a small beginning the company believes citizens throughout Texas are ready to support increased recycling efforts. Rabin stated, "It is appropriate that CMC, a Dallas based company with 75 years of recycling history, be the leader in encouraging household recycling in this area. For many years we have been a major recycler of metals throughout the southern half of the United States and particularly in Texas."

Rabin said the company is excited about developments in municipal, household and non-traditional recycling. "CMC Recycling will be an active participant. We are studying plans for a major multi-materials recycling facility, the first of its kind in the Dallas/Fort Worth area. This initial city of Dallas program will give us a base to add other creative sources of recyclable materials, including programs being considered by area municipalities, industries and groups of concerned citizens. Our goal is to be the major multi-materials recycler in the area."

Commercial Metals Company was founded in Dallas 75 years ago as a scrap metal recycling company. In addition to 37 recycling facilities, it has three steel minimills, steel fabrication shops, a copper tube plant, and world-wide trading in various minerals, metals, steel and semi-fabricated, nonferrous metal.

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BROOKFIELD, WI (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Bando McGlocklin Capital Corporation (NASDAQ: BMCC) today reported continued growth in loans and net operating income during the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Total loans were $75,357,862, up 29.3 percent from the same period a year earlier of $58,276,602.

Total operating income for the first quarter of the company's fiscal year rose to $2,514,844, an increase of 25 percent over the previous year of $2,011,687. Net operating income increased 33.7 percent for the quarter or $409,241 vs. $306,158 from the comparable 1989 period.

Net operating income per share advanced to 20 cents based on 2,044,253 shares outstanding, compared to 15 cents during the same period in 1989.

BANDO MCGLOCKLIN CAPITAL CORPORATION

Condensed Comparative Financial Data

As of Sept. 30	1990	1989
Total Loans	$ 75,357,862	$ 58,276,602
Total Assets	85,105,093	68,914,759
Three Months Ending Sept. 30		
Total Operating Income	2,514,844	2,011,687
Interest Expense	1,765,152	1,484,474
Other Operating Expenses	340,451	221,055
Total Operating Expenses	2,105,603	1,705,529
Net Operating Income	409,241	306,158
Net Operating Income Per Share	.20	.15
Weighted Shares Outstanding	2,044,253	2,044,253

On Sept. 13, 1990, the company announced that it had filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a public offering of 1.2 million shares of common stock.

Founded in 1980, Bando McGlocklin Capital Corporation provides long- term secured financing to small businesses, and is a Federal Licensee under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958.

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#90284p3691 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROY, UTAH (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - IOMEGA Corp. (NASDAQ: IOMG) announced today the results for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company reported sales of $31.3 million and net income of $3.6 million or 22 cents per share. In the corresponding quarter of 1989 sales were $27.7 million and net income was $3 million or 18 cents per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales were $87.6 million and net income was $9.2 million or 56 cents per share, compared to sales of $78.5 million and net income of $6.3 million or 37 cents per share in the comparable nine months of 1989.

The increases in net income were due to increased sales and higher gross margins resulting from better manufacturing performance and product cost reductions. The company's gross margins were 48 percent in the third quarter and 47 percent in the first nine months of 1990, compared to 42 percent and 41 percent for the corresponding periods of 1989, respectively.

The improved gross margin performance has allowed the company to invest more money in sales and marketing and research and development activities. Consequently, operating expenses have increased 20 percent in the first nine months of 1990 compared to the first nine months of 1989. Third quarter and

year-to-date selling, general and administrative expenses include a $.5 million charge to reduce the valuation of the Salt Lake City building held for resale. This charge brings the value in line with similar properties in the area.

The company's balance sheet remains strong. Cash and temporary investments have increased by $4.2 million since Dec. 31, 1989 to $28.4 million. On Aug. 3, 1990 the IOMEGA board of directors authorized the repurchase of up to 1,000,000 shares of its common stock. During the third quarter, 115,300 shares were repurchased.

IOMEGA Corp., Roy, Utah, develops, manufactures and sells high-performance removable mass storage products for desktop computers. IOMEGA's patented Bernoulli Technology provides unlimited data storage capability by combining the removability of floppy drives with the high capacity and performance of rigid drives. IOMEGA's stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol IOMG.

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#90284p3694 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Westinghouse Credit Corp., the principal subsidiary of Westinghouse Financial Services, today announced net income of $31 million for the third quarter of 1990, 13 percent lower than for the same period a year ago.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $109.9 million, one percent lower than for the first nine months of 1989.

William A. Powe, chairman, said the company's assets were essentially flat during the third quarter, at $10.7 billion, and the quarter's lower results reflect increased reserves and a higher provision for income taxes.

Westinghouse Credit is the nation's largest finance company providing capital exclusively to business. Its parent, Westinghouse Financial Services Inc., is owned by Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX).

WESTINGHOUSE CREDIT CORP.

Net Income (Unaudited)	1990	1989
Three months ended Sept. 30	$ 31,009,000	$ 35,486,000
Nine months ended Sept. 30	$109,938,000	$110,717,000

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-30- 1302

#90284p3701 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The NWNL Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: NWNL) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 33 cents per share of common stock payable on Nov. 9 to shareholders of record on Oct. 22. This dividend continues NWNL's indicated annual dividend rate at $1.32 per share, making 1990 the 19th consecutive year in which dividends have increased.

Dividends have been paid by the company and its predecessor, Northwestern National Life Insurance Co., without interruption since 1936.

The announcement follows a statement issued by NWNL on Monday which said that its management is confident that the company's earnings from operations will remain strong, based on current information and expectations for the year.

NWNL also announced that it has applied to list its common stock on the New York Stock Exchange and expects trading on the exchange to begin on Nov. 12 with the trading symbol NWN.

John E. Pearson, NWNL's chairman and chief executive officer, said, "As a major company in the insurance industry, we believe that a listing on the New York Stock Exchange will give us access to investors both here and abroad that might not be available to us otherwise. Our stock has been well served by NASDAQ over the years, and as we grow, we look forward to the access and visibility that the New York Stock Exchange listing will give us."

The NWNL Companies, Inc. is a Minneapolis-based diversified holding company specializing in insurance and financial services.

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-30- 1784

#90284p3702 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - SafeCard Services, Incorporated (NYSE: SSI) announced today that its board of directors have authorized the repurchase of up to 2 million shares of its common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions over the next six-month period.

The company believes the market price of its stock is undervalued and represents a prudent investment.

The stock repurchases will be at the discretion of management, as market conditions may warrant, and there is no guaranty as to the exact number of shares to be repurchased by the company. Shares repurchased will be held as treasury stock, available for general corporate purchases.

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#90284p3709 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
ANNAPOLIS, MD. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Henry A. Berliner Jr., president and chief executive officer of Second National Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: SNFS), a $1.8 billion Mid-Atlantic thrift, predicted that after banks and thrifts, the insurance industry is "the next big financial industry accident waiting to happen."

Addressing a group of Maryland contractors at their annual leadership conference in Williamsburg, Va., he also outlined alternative real estate development funding sources to fill the void left by capital-stripped banks, thrifts, insurance companies and pension funds struggling with new loan loss reserve requirements.

According to Berliner, insurance companies won't feel the full effects of the current commercial real estate crisis until later in the economic cycle. Insurance companies have been big investors in commercial office buildings. When these older buildings are forced to compete with new ones struggling to avoid foreclosure in a soft market and offering bargain rents, they'll lose their tenants, causing "defaults triggering massive losses."

In the face of "a regulator induced credit crunch," Berliner urged builders to seek alternative funding sources such as "unions, public utilities, brokerage firms, hospitals, private schools, churches and associations, or publicly funded projects with bond issues, industrial revenue bonds, public improvements," or seller financing through "bank-owned REO or assets held by the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC)." Berliner is chairman of the Region One Advisory Board for the RTC.

Second National has a branch network of 40 banking offices and 11 loan production offices in Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia and the District of Columbia.

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#90284p3710 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
DETROIT (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - NBD Bancorp, Inc. (NYSE: NBD) today reported an 11-percent increase in Net Income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net Income totaled $69,924,000, or $.95 per fully diluted share ($.96 primary) compared with $62,833,000, or $.84 per fully diluted share ($.87 primary), for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net Income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was up 6 percent to $204,518,000, or $2.76 per fully diluted share ($2.79 primary), compared with $192,344,000, or $2.57 per fully diluted

share ($2.67 primary), for the first nine months of 1989.

In commenting on the higher earnings, Chairman and President Charles T. Fisher III stated Net Interest Income in the third quarter was up 9.0 percent vs. the same period last year. He attributed the increase to a 9.3-percent growth in average interest earning assets partially offset by a decline in interest margin earned on assets. Margin for the current quarter was 4.08 percent compared with 4.11 percent a year earlier. For the first nine months of 1990, Net Interest Income was up 6.2 percent when compared with the first nine months of 1989; average interest earning assets increased 9.5 percent, and interest margin dropped to 4.06 percent from 4.19 percent.

Non-Interest Income, excluding Securities Gains and Losses, for the quarter increased 8.1 percent from the third quarter 1989 level due principally to growth in trust fees and charges for deposit account activity. Non-Interest Income in the third quarter of last year included approximately $1.5 million of pretax gain from nonrecurring asset sales. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Non-Interest Income was up 9.8 percent. Securities losses of $6.3 million have been taken in 1990, principally from sale of U.S. Government securities in the first quarter, vs. gains of $142,000 in the first nine months of 1989.

Non-Interest Expenses in the third quarter increased 7.5 percent vs. the third quarter of 1989 due in part to a 55-percent increase of FDIC insurance expense. Non-Interest Expenses year-to-date were up 5.7 percent compared with 1989.

The Provision for Possible Credit Losses was $16.3 million in the third quarter of 1990 and $14.0 million one year earlier. The Provision for the first nine months of 1990 was $45.3 million vs. $40.1 million in the comparable period of 1989.

Net Loan Charge-Offs in the current quarter were $18.2 million, or 0.46 percent (annualized) of average loan and lease balances, and $41.2 million, or 0.35 percent (annualized), for the nine months. Comparable figures for 1989 were $13.9 million, or 0.37 percent, for the quarter and $44.3 million, or 0.40 percent, year-to-date.

Excluding $88.9 million obligations of the United Mexican States renegotiated during the first quarter of 1990 at a below market interest rate, nonperforming loans and leases at Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $150.3 million, or 0.93 percent of total loans and leases. Nonperforming loans and leases at June 30, 1990, were $139.4 million, or 0.88 percent of total loans and leases, and were $112.7 million, or 0.74 percent, at Sept. 30, 1989. Other Real Estate was $15.5 million at Sept. 30, 1990, $14.2 million at June 30, 1990, and $13.6 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

The Allowance for Possible Credit Losses at Sept. 30, 1990, was $240.0 million

or 1.48 percent of total loans and leases. Comparable amounts at June 30, 1990, were $241.7 million, or 1.53 percent, and $233.5 million, also 1.53 percent, one year earlier. The Allowance at the end of the current quarter was equivalent to 160 percent of nonperforming loans and leases (excluding renegotiated United Mexican States Obligations) vs. 173 percent at June 30, 1990, and 207 percent at Sept. 30, 1989.

NBD Bancorp, Inc. total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $27.0 billion compared with $25.0 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. Total loans and leases increased $1.0 billion in the past year to $16.2 billion. Deposits totaled $21.4 billion compared with $19.5 billion one year earlier. Total Shareholders' Equity at Sept. 30, 1990, was $1.8 billion, an increase of $168 million since Sept. 30, 1989.

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#90284p3712 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORFOLK, VA. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Norfolk Southern (NYSE: NSC) today announced the restructuring of its transportation department, effective Oct. 16. Railroad operating divisions will be reduced from 13 to 10 and operating regions from three to two. The rail system's Eastern and Western regions both will be headquartered in Atlanta.

J.W. Fox, Jr., will become general manager of the Eastern Region, which will consist of the Norfolk Terminal and the Georgia, Piedmont, Virginia, and Pocahontas divisions. G.B. Montague will continue as general manager of the Western Region, which will include the Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Illinois and Lake divisions.

Norfolk Southern's Coastal division, which has been based at Macon, Georgia, will become part of the Georgia division headquartered in Atlanta. The Ohio division, which has been located at Bellevue, Ohio, will be consolidated with the Fort Wayne division into a newly named Lake division headquartered at Fort Wayne, Indiana. The Eastern division, which was located at Greensboro, N.C., will become part of the Piedmont division headquartered in Greenville, S.C. Finally, the division at Decatur, Illinois, will be renamed the Illinois division.

"This is another phase in our railroad consolidation, and it will streamline operations to the benefit of our customers," said Stephen C. Tobias, Norfolk Southern's vice president of Transportation.

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Corporation

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#90284p3715 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
CINCINNATI (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Chiquita Brands International, Inc. (NYSE: CQB) announced today that it has acquired the operations of FRUPAC, a major Chilean packer and exporter of fresh fruits and vegetables. In addition, Chiquita purchased marketing organizations for Chilean produce in North America and Europe. Terms were not disclosed. Revenues for the most recent year were approximately $40 million.

Keith E. Lindner, Chiquita's president, explained that this acquisition represents a further development of Chiquita's worldwide fresh distribution capabilities. "FRUPAC is a well recognized and established organization," said Lindner. "This acquisition strengthens our ability to service our worldwide customers on a year-round basis." The diverse variety of fresh produce include grapes, apples, pears, raspberries, peaches, nectarines, kiwis avocados, artichokes and asparagus.

Chiquita, headquartered in Cincinnati, is a leading international marketer, processor and producer of quality fresh and prepared food products. Revenues in 1989 were $3.8 billion.

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#90284p3717 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation (NYSE: COG) today announced it will increase its capital and exploration budget by 19 percent, to $52 million, for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1991. The budget includes $44.7 million for capital spending, a 17.6 percent increase over fiscal 1990, plus $7.5 million for exploration, a 25 percent increase.

A substantial portion of the capital and exploration budget will be committed to drilling 150 new wells in Cabot Oil & Gas's producing areas in the Appalachian Basin and Anadarko Basin. Additionally, the company will make capital expenditures to continue upgrading its West Virginia pipeline system, which transports natural gas to a number of industrial plants, interstate pipelines, and a local utility company.

During the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, Cabot Oil & Gas drilled 131 new wells, of which 128, or 98 percent, were successful. The company concentrates in low-risk development drilling opportunities at shallow-to-moderate depths, and has over 700 billion cubic feet equivalent of proved natural gas reserves.

Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation is a leading producer of natural gas in the

Appalachian and Anadarko Basins. The company is headquartered in Houston, with regional offices in Pittsburgh; Charleston, W.Va., and Oklahoma City.

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#90284p3718 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears Merchandise Group today reported that its gross revenues from continuing operations for the five weeks ended Oct. 6 were 4.2 percent higher than 1989. Comparable store sales were 4.4 percent above 1989, Sears said.

Gross revenues for the period were $3,100,721,291 compared with $2,975,151,747 last year.

For the 35 weeks ended Oct. 6, Sears Merchandise Group reported gross revenues of $21,829,268,578. This was an increase of $632,964,391 or 3.0 percent over revenues of $21,196,304,187 in the same period of 1989.

SEARS MERCHANDISE GROUP

	5 Weeks	35 Weeks
1990	$3,100,721,291	$21,829,268,578
1989	2,975,151,747	21,196,304,187
Increase	125,569,544	632,964,391
Percent Change		
From Continuing Operations	4.2	3.0
Comp. Retail Store Change	4.4	3.1

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-30- 1247

#90284p3721 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Rowland Company has announced a new management lineup, with Mark Weiss named chief operating officer, Rowland, U.S.; Mary R. Trudel appointed general manager of the New York office; and Samuel D. Ostrow, president of the public affairs division of Rowland U.S. The three executives were promoted to senior executive vice president posts and form the office of the president, joining Martin Franken, chief financial officer, and Herbert L. Rowland, chairman and CEO of Rowland Worldwide, Inc.

The New York headquarters office is the flagship of Rowland Worldwide, fifth largest public relations company in the world, with 34 offices on five continents. The firm employs more than 750 people and has annualized fee billings in excess of $50 million.

Each of the top executives is also management supervisor for several client

accounts and will continue to have overall supervisory responsibility for those programs, while assuming their new roles.

Weiss will serve as U.S. deputy to Mr. Rowland. He will take the lead role in national business development -- the expansion of offices in the U.S. and Canada and the creation of new agency services for clients. He will also work closely with Mr. Rowland in fostering the extension to other Rowland Worldwide offices of programs now conducted for U.S.-based multinational clients.

As general manager of the New York office, Trudel will be responsible for the overall management functions of the New York office and all general agency issues, including staff assignment and administration. She will direct internal and external communications and be responsible for all agency support departments -- including Information Services and the Television, A-V Graphics and Video Production departments.

As the president of public affairs division of the U.S. Rowland Company, Ostrow will be responsible for the agency's corporate, financial, government relations and crisis management business as well as its extensive health care practice. He joined The Rowland Company in 1984 from another national public relations firm, where he served as head of corporate and financial public relations.

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#90284p3724 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Gamma Electronic Systems Inc. (Alberta: GE.A) announced today the promotions of Sylvio J. Pennucci to vice president of Gamma and executive vice president of its wholly owned subsidiary B.A.S.E. (tm) and of Edie Gelardi to vice president of marketing for B.A.S.E.

Pennucci was promoted from director of public relations and business development of Gamma and will be replacing Michael Fishman who left the company effective Oct. 1. Pennucci has been with Gamma since the introduction of B.A.S.E.

Gelardi was promoted from assistant director of marketing to vice president of marketing and has been successfully involved with all aspects of marketing since 1989.

CONTACT: Sylvio J. Pennucci of Gamma Electronic Systems Inc., 213-392-3493.

-30- 962
#90284p3732 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENBELT, MD (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Group 1 Software (NASDAQ-NMS: GSOF), the leading provider of marketing and mailing software, announced today that it has entered into a strategic marketing alliance with R.L. Polk & Co., the leading compiler of consumer and demographic data and a major direct mail list provider.

Under the agreement between the two companies, R.L. Polk will provide the data for Group 1's Demographic and Geographic Coding System products. These software packages append demographic and geographic information to marketing databases, enabling marketers to identify and target prospective customers more effectively.

Ron Friedman, president of Group 1 Software, commented: "Group 1 believes that its new relationship with R.L. Polk, combining the expertise of two companies at the top of their fields, is important to the entire marketing profession. It is also timely because the 1990 census data will be incorporated into the software, giving marketers the latest in consumer information. Also significant will be the availability of the TIGER File from Geographic Data Technology (GDT), an R.L. Polk affiliate, which will provide demographic mapping capability for all types of businesses. All in all, we expect these to be extremely powerful marketing and sales tools."

Friedman continued, "In the future, we plan to introduce additional products combining Group 1's technology and the information from R.L. Polk and GDT."

Stephen Polk, president of R.L. Polk & Co., said: "We look forward to our new association with Group 1. Our combined abilities will provide the best marketing software products available to the industry. Polk's data resources and GDT's geographic expertise perfectly complement Group 1's software technology and customer support."

Founded in 1870, the Detroit-based R.L. Polk & Co. employs approximately 6,900 people in more than 50 offices and production locations throughout North America and in the United Kingdom, Australia, West Germany and Barbados. In addition to being a major direct mail marketer, the company publishes 1,300 city directories, serves as the leading statistician for the motor vehicle industry, publishes an international bank directory and is one of the largest manufacturers of calendars and other advertising specialities.

Group 1 Software offers a broad range of list management, postal discount, mail personalization, demographic and database marketing software products as well as professional services. The company has offices throughout the United States and in Canada, and is represented by distribution partners in the U.K., Australia and New Zealand.

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-30- 2929
#90284p3739 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SECAUCUS, N.J. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Genlyte Group Inc. (NASDAQ: GLYT) today announced that sales and earnings for the three- month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 were below the results for the same period last year. Sales were $123,002,000 versus $123,432,000 in 1989; operating profit was $8,863,000 versus $10,491,000; net income was $2,148,000 versus $2,842,000 and earnings per share were 17 cents versus 22 cents.

David E. Momot, president of Genlyte, cited two major reasons for the decrease in third quarter earnings versus the same period last year. One was increases in material, labor and insurance costs, which were not recovered due to the competitive pricing environment resulting from the continued decline in the construction market. The other was an increase in bad debt reserves due to the effect of the market slowdown on Genlyte's customers.

Momot pointed out that while the Canadian construction industry strike was settled in the third quarter, the U.S. construction market continued to weaken resulting in third quarter sales approximately equal to the second quarter of 1990. He went on to say that even with the flat sales and the increase in the bad debt reserve, earnings per share increased 4 cents over the second quarter due primarily to the favorable impact of cost reductions implemented earlier in the year, lower interest expense and the Canadian strike settlement.

Momot concluded by saying that Genlyte was able to reduce debt by about $3,200,000 in the third quarter bringing the total down to approximately $159,500,000, the lowest it has been since Genlyte became an independent company in 1988.

The Genlyte Group, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of lighting fixtures and controls for the commercial, industrial and residential markets. Its products are sold under the brand names of Lightolier, KLP, Hadco, Wide-Lite, Bronzelite, Timely, Crescent, Stonco, Diamond F and Basic Concept in the U.S. and Lightolier, Keene-Widelite, Prodel and C.F.I. in Canada.

THE GENLYTE GROUP INCORPORATED
(Consolidated Financial Highlights)
(Dollars in thousands - except per share data)

Period ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$123,002	$123,432	$377,748	$381,192
Operating profit	8,863	10,491	27,868	33,183
Net income	2,148	2,842	6,964	9,131
EPS primary and fully diluted	.17	.22	.54	.70
Average shares outstanding	12,984	13,030	12,990	13,042

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#90284p3747 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Bank of New York Company, Inc. (NYSE: BK) reported net income of $71 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared to the $271 million loss reported in last year's third quarter.

Fully diluted earnings per common share amounted to $.90 for the quarter, compared to the $4.10 loss per share in last year's corresponding period. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $243 million, compared with a loss of $56 million in the same period last year. Fully diluted earnings per share were $3.16 for the first nine months of 1990, compared with a loss of $1.18 per share for the same period of 1989.

On Oct. 9, 1990, the board of directors of the company declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 53 cents per share of common stock. This dividend is payable on Nov. 2, 1990, to holders of record as of the close of business on Oct. 19.

The performance this quarter reflects a $113 million loan loss provision. Of this total, domestic charge-offs were $61 million and $50 million was added to the domestic allowance for loan losses. The company further reduced its medium-term LDC debt to $512 million, primarily due to $34 million of charge-offs of non-performing Argentine and Brazilian loans. Transactions scheduled to close in the fourth quarter of 1990 will further reduce the company's medium-term LDC debt. At Sept. 30, 1990, the LDC loan loss allowance was $279 million, or approximately 55 percent of such loans. The total allowance, which includes the LDC allowance, increased to $955 million, or 2.76 percent of loans, compared to $940 million at June 30, 1990.

Non-performing assets, which include non-accrual and reduced rate loans and real estate acquired in satisfaction of loans, were $1,475 million at Sept. 30 1990, compared to $1,336 million at June 30, 1990. Real estate acquired in satisfaction of loans was $210 million at the end of the third quarter, unchanged from the second quarter. The increase in non-performing assets primarily resulted from the addition of six real estate loans and one highly leveraged transaction loan. Approximately $123 million or 88 percent of the net increase in non- performing assets this quarter is represented by loans that are still current but that are expected to become non-performing at a future date. The non-performing asset ratio was 4.2 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, and 3.7 percent at June 30, 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, highly leveraged transaction loans outstanding declined to $4,471 million from $4,700 million at June 30, 1990.

Return on average common equity and return on average assets were 10 percent and .56 percent for the third quarter of 1990. For the first nine months of 1990, these ratios were 12.08 percent and .66 percent. At Sept. 30, 1990, the

company's tier I capital ratio was 4.89 percent and its total capital ratio was 7.94 percent, compared to 4.72 percent and 7.74 percent at June 30, 1990, respectively.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Neutrogena Corp. (NASDAQ: NGNA) today said that based on weak sales in September earnings for the fourth quarter ending Oct. 31, 1990, will be lower than the $5.4 million, or $.20 per share, earned in the final period of fiscal 1989.

"When we last communicated with our shareholders, we were closing out a strong August and had reasonable expectations for the positive sales trend to continue through the balance of the year," said Lloyd E. Cotsen, president and chief executive officer. "In September, however, several product categories experienced considerable softness."

Neutrogena Corp., headquartered in Los Angeles, manufactures and sells high-quality, premium-priced specialty skin and hair care products.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Rowan Companies, Inc. (NYSE, PSE: RDC), today reported a profit for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the third quarter was $7,420,000, $.10 per share, comparing to a net loss of $5,628,000, $.08 per share, for the same period a year ago. The nine months net loss amounted to $970,000, $.01 per share, comparing to a net loss of $21,364,000, $.30 per share, for the same 1989 period.

C. R. Palmer, chairman and president, commented, "The long-awaited return to profitability is in hand. The next step is to achieve a reasonable return on the capital we have deployed."

Rowan Companies, Inc., serves the petroleum industry as a contract driller, onshore and offshore in domestic and international areas, and operates a fleet of charter helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft.

ROWAN COMPANIES, INC.
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet
Unaudited (dollars in thousands)

	Sept. 30 1990	Sept. 30 1989
ASSETS		
Cash and short-term investments	$ 98,149	$136,487
Other current assets	75,969	54,035
Total current assets	174,118	190,522
Property and equipment - net	546,187	552,647
Other assets	10,170	12,561
Total	$730,475	$755,730
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current maturities of long-term debt	$ 7,857	$ 12,857
Other current liabilities	40,087	35,849
Total current liabilities	47,944	48,706
Long-term debt	155,586	165,437
Other liabilities	45,010	46,354
Stockholders' equity	481,935	495,233
Total	$730,475	$755,730

ROWAN COMPANIES, INC.
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations
Unaudited (dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Drilling operations	$ 48,784	$ 30,889	$127,292	$100,872
Aircraft operations	37,373	34,207	89,114	75,436
Total	86,157	65,096	216,406	176,308
Costs and expenses:				
Drilling operations	33,410	28,950	96,008	85,959
Aircraft operations	26,254	23,818	67,745	59,543
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	12,902	13,122	37,706	39,388
General and administrative	2,458	1,743	6,931	5,704
Total	75,024	67,633	208,390	190,594
Income (loss) from operations	11,133	(2,537)	8,016	(14,286)
Other income (expense) - net	(2,706)	(2,772)	(7,154)	(6,163)
Inc. (loss) before inc. taxes	8,427	(5,309)	862	(20,449)
Provision for income taxes	1,007	319	1,832	915
Net income (loss)	$ 7,420	$ (5,628)	$ (970)	$(21,364)
Earnings (loss) per share of common stock	$ .10	$ (.08)	$ (.01)	$ (.30)
Average shares outstanding (in thousands)	72,473	72,109	72,302	72,083

CONTACT: E. E. Thiele of Rowan Companies, 713-621-7800.

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WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - SALEM CARPET MILLS, INC. (NASDAQ-NMS: SLCR) has reported net sales for the third quarter ended September 29, 1990, of $108.5 million compared to $117.6 million for the same period a year ago. For the first nine months of 1990, sales were $339.1 million, compared with $315.9 million a year earlier, an increase of 7 percent.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $1.1 million or $.13 per share compared to net income of $2.0 million or $.25 per share for the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, total net income was $2.6 million or $.31 per share, compared to a net income of $5.1 milllion or $.63 per share for the same period a year ago.

W. Douglas Foster, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, stated that sales volume continues soft in the residential segment of the market due to a recession-prone U.S. economy. The uneasiness about the situation in the Middle East coupled with worries about recession keeps consumer confidence low. Efforts continue to improve market position in the mid to higher priced product categories and to eliminate all non-essential expenses. Shareholders' equity has now climbed above $68 million or $8.40 per share.

Salem designs, manufactures and markets broadloom tufted carpets in a wide range of styles, colors and prices for the residential and commercial markets nationwide. The Company's manufacturing operations are vertically integrated from fiber and yarn processing through finished product. It has nine manufacturing plants in Georgia, South Carolina, and Tennessee, distribution centers nationally and corporate headquarters in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

SALEM CARPET MILLS, INC.
(Unaudited)
(In Thousands Except Share Data)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Net Sales	$108,475	$117,559	$339,080	$315,858
Income Before Taxes	1,758	3,249	4,197	8,199
Provision for Taxes	690	1,223	1,645	3,091
Net Income	1,068	2,026	2,552	5,108
Earnings Per Common Share	$ .13	$ .25	$ .31	$ .63
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	8,143,701	8,104,893	8,142,005	8,076,469

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#90284p3759 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
ORLANDO, Fla. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Hughes Supply Inc. (NYSE: HUG) declared effective Oct. 11, 1990, the regular quarterly cash dividend of $.09 per share. The dividend will be payable on Nov. 16, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 2, 1990.

CONTACT: David H. Hughes, president of Hughes Supply, Inc., 407-841-4710.

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#90284p3763 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
BLUE ISLAND, IL (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Heritage Financial Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: HERS) today reported third-quarter net income per share of 47 cents, up 9 percent from the 43 cents per share earned in the comparable 1989 period. Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,883,000, an increase of 9 percent from $1,731,000 in the 1989 third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income per share was $1.35, up 3 percent from the $1.31 per share earned in the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the 1990 nine-month period was $5,428,000, compared to $5,262,000 in the comparable 1989 period.

Richard T. Wojcik, chairman and chief executive officer, said higher earnings primarily resulted from increases in net interest income, reflecting the continued growth of the company's loan portfolio which was up $40 million, or 11 percent, from a year ago. Growth in net interest income was partially offset by increases in the provision for loan losses, as well as higher operating expenses, principally reflecting the initial costs of branch expansion throughout 1989. During that period, three branch facilities were opened in southwest suburban Chicago. The second phase of the company's program to centralize operations was completed in the 1990 third quarter.

"Although the initial expenses attributable to these efforts have affected 1990 earnings," Wojcik said, "we expect that each will contribute to the company's long-term growth and future profitability."

According to Wojcik, the company experienced an increase of delinquent and non-accrual loans in the 1990 third quarter. Since Dec. 31, 1989, non-performing loans increased $1.8 million, primarily reflecting the addition of two large commercial loans. At Sept. 30, 1990, the ratio of non-performing loans to net loans was 1.58 percent, compared to 1.22 percent at Dec. 31, 1989 and 1.55 percent at Sept. 30, 1989. He also said, "Significant loan losses are not anticipated and appropriate increases to the reserve for loan losses have been made based on our evaluation of potential loan losses." At Sept. 30 1990, the loan loss reserve as a percent of net loans was 1.20 percent,

compared to 1.13 percent at Dec. 31, 1989.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, there were 3,982,197 weighted average common shares outstanding compared to 4,012,146 in the 1989 third quarter. Weighted average common shares outstanding for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were 4,002,053 compared to 4,012,146 in the 1989 period. In July 1990, the company announced and instituted a program to repurchase up to 200,000 of its common shares. To date, it has repurchased 61,720 common shares and currently has 3,950,426 shares outstanding.

Heritage Financial Services, Inc. is a multibank holding company with assets of $622 million. It operates eight banking offices located in Blue Island, Crestwood, Oak Lawn, Tinley Park (two), Orland Park, Palos Heights and Mokena, Ill. The company also operates a trust company which serves all locations.

HERITAGE FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Financial Summary (Unaudited)
(Dollars in thousands, except per-share data)

	Nine Months		Three Months	
Periods ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Summary of operations:				
Net interest income	$18,677	$16,649	$6,445	$5,538
Provision for loan losses	1,047	891	480	224
Other income	3,177	2,661	1,068	897
Other expenses	14,295	12,309	4,759	4,195
Income tax expense	1,084	848	391	285
Net income	5,428	5,262	1,883	1,731
Per common share data:				
Net income	$1.35	$1.31	$0.47	$0.43
Cash dividends	.375	.30	.125	.10
Wtd. avg. shrs. outstanding	4,002	4,012	3,982	4,012
Performance ratios (percent):				
Net interest margin (FTE)	4.99	4.93	5.02	4.71
Return on average assets	1.19	1.25	1.21	1.19
Return on average shareholders' equity	13.95	14.99	14.08	14.23

Selected Balance Sheet Data

Periods ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	Percent Change
At period end:			
Total assets	$621,553	$584,260	6
Net loans	389,077	349,313	11
Total deposits	540,743	508,875	6
Total shareholders' equity	53,767	49,391	9
Average balances:			
Total assets	607,521	562,240	8
Total loans	375,172	332,684	13
Total deposits	530,686	490,903	8
Total shareholders' equity	52,038	46,923	11

Statistics:

Allowance for loan losses as a percentage of loans	1.20	1.20	0
Non-performing loans as a percentage of loans	1.58	1.55	2

Note: Per-share data has been adjusted for a five-for-four stock split declared in June 1989.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - IRT Corp. (AMEX: IX) today announced the introduction of its new Fluoroscan(TM) 1200 Radioscopy System, a flexible industrial system for real-time X-ray inspection and manufacturing process control.

The system features a newly designed, integrated cabinet that provides a single, space-saving enclosure for the inspection area, imaging subsystem, X-ray generator, four-post manipulator, auxiliary subsystems and all cabling. The cabinet provides two service doors, allowing easy access for maintenance, an improvement over the previous Fluoroscan 1200 design. The control console which is independent to allow convenient positioning, includes imaging and control monitors and all system control and auxiliary modules, such as videocassette recorders and hard-copy printers.

"The integrated cabinet in the new Fluoroscan 1200 system delivers two key benefits: best use of floor space and easy service access," said Fred Schlieper, industrial systems marketing manager for IRT. "An added service door has replaced a less-convenient X-ray shielding shroud over the imaging system, so periodic maintenance can be completed faster and easier."

The new system is being demonstrated at two conferences in October: the American Society for Nondestructive Testing (ASNT) 1990 Fall Conference and Quality Testing Show in Seattle (Oct. 9-10); and the North American Die Casting Association's Chapter 30 Conference in Las Vegas, Nev. (Oct. 25-27).

IRT's Fluoroscan systems are used for quality assurance and other applications in such industries as automotive, aerospace, electronics and defense, across a wide range of materials, processes and products. With Fluoroscan systems, operators can quickly view internal areas of materials or manufactured parts to detect flaws or missing components, manipulating the test objects as needed to provide the required angles. Using IRT's image analysis systems, the process can be automated to deliver computerized decision-making about part quality.

With the appropriate configuration of IRT's advanced system modules -- including a wide range of X-ray sources, object manipulators, image processing and analysis systems and lead cabinet enclosures -- a Fluoroscan system can provide real-time X-ray inspection of materials ranging from ultralight ceramics and composites to dense steel castings.

The four-post manipulator in the Fluoroscan system provides precise motion control. Such precision is critical in many X-ray inspection applications, particularly where object manipulation and inspection sequences are automated and controlled by IRT's Sequencer (TM) software.

The four-post manipulator, manufactured by IRT, is available in manual-control or programmable configurations and in a range of sizes and weight capacities for objects ranging from 50 to 120 pounds. The five- axis manipulator controls object motion in x, y and z axes, rotation and tilt.

IRT's Fluoroscan series now includes the Fluoroscan 1200, which accommodates a 15-by-15-inch part; the Fluoroscan 2400, which can accommodate parts to 24 inches and 120 pounds; and the Fluoroscan 4800, which accommodates parts to 48 inches and 250 pounds.

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BAGSVAERD, DENMARK (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Novo Nordisk A/S (NYSE: NVO) and Boehringer Ingelheim today announced that a letter of intent has been signed by the two companies. According to the agreement, Boehringer Ingelheim is to take over all of Novo Nordisk's activities in the area of veterinary medicine. These activities are today concentrated in Novo Nordisk Agrovet A/S, a subsidiary of Novo Nordisk A/S.

The Agrovet division was formed by the merger in 1988 of the veterinary activities of Novo and Ferrosan. After the merger, which was a result of Novo's takeover of Ferrosan, Agrovet became one of the largest suppliers of veterinary medicines in Scandinavia.

In spite of Agrovet's positive development in a declining market, it is the opinion of Novo Nordisk that the veterinary business will profit from the improved opportunities offered by a company which has veterinary medicine as a primary area of interest.

Prior to the agreement to sell to Boehringer Ingelheim, Novo Nordisk has thoroughly examined the possibility of finding a partner which could offer Agrovet the best possible development potential. The choice of Boehringer

Ingelheim is closely related to the fact that the German company is one of the world's most important suppliers of veterinary medicine. Added to this is that an extensive part of Agrovet's product range is complementary to Boehringer Ingelheim's activities in the area.

According to the plan, Agrovet's production, which is situated in Novo Nordisk's production plant in Kalundborg, Denmark, is going to be gradually ceased. Subsequently, the plant is to be used for the production of other products, and it is, therefore, not expected that the takeover will result in redundancies among the staff. Boehringer Ingelheim stated that it intends to maintain the present level of activity in Agrovet. This means that sales and administrative staff is expected to remain employed by the new owners.

Novo Nordisk A/S is one of the world's leading biotechnology companies. It is a major force in insulin manufacture and diabetes treatment and is the world's largest producer of industrial enzymes. The company also manufactures and markets a variety of other pharmaceutical and bioindustrial products. Headquartered in Denmark, Novo Nordisk employs more than 8,000 people in 30 countries and market its products in 120 countries.

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#90284p3773 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler released the following statement on NHTSA Jeep CJ rulings:

We are gratified that the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, after exhaustive review, has found that no safety defect exists in the Jeep CJ vehicle. The NHTSA findings confirm that the Jeep CJ is a safe vehicle and we are pleased that the matter is now closed.

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#90284p3775 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Analysts International Corporation (NASDAQ: ANLY) today reported net income of $1,374,000, equal to 29 cents per share, for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with last year's $1,323,000, also 29 cents per share. Revenues were $28,057,000, up from $24,650,000 last year.

Frederick W. Lang, chairman and chief executive officer, said the company experienced delays in contract extensions and additions during the quarter, causing utilization and margins to decrease temporarily. However, by the end

of the quarter, the technical staff on projects was back to the beginning level, he said.

Analysts International Corporation is a Minneapolis-based computer software services company.

ANALYSTS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Revenues	$28,057,000	$24,650,000
Income before taxes	2,234,000	2,206,000
Income taxes	860,000	883,000
Net income	1,374,000	1,323,000
Net income per share	$.29	$.29
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	4,679,000	4,617,000

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#90284p3776 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - R.R. Donnelley and Sons Company (NYSE: DNY), North America's largest printer, today announced it has elected Gerald J. Bender, 55, to the newly created position of vice president of environmental affairs. This election marks another step in Donnelley's creation of the company-wide environmental task force referred to in "Printing Clean," a 20-page environmental policy statement published last month.

As the leader in the graphic arts industry, Donnelley has taken a leadership role in environmental awareness. Donnelley's policy statement cites ink solvent recovery and raw material waste recycling as two of the ways the company prevents pollution. Donnelley also is working with its suppliers and customers to develop better grades of recycled paper, water-based inks and recyclable binding materials and coatings.

Bender, Donnelley's new vice president of environmental affairs, joined the company in 1967 as a staff specialist in the research department. His management roles have encompassed environmental control, process development, energy and safety. He was the technical director of manufacturing engineering from 1982 to 1988 and, most recently, group manager of environmental engineering at the company's research and development center in Lisle, Ill.

A native of Carrolltown, Pa., Bender received a bachelor of science degree in

chemical engineering from Pennsylvania State University. He and his wife, Joan, reside in Park Forest, Ill. They have four grown daughters.

R.R. Donnelley is the world's foremost printer of catalogs, newspaper advertising inserts, magazines, books, directories, computer documentation and financial printing. The company operates printing plants, service centers, sales offices and subsidiaries in nearly 100 locations in the United States, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Mexico, the Caribbean and the Far East.

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#90284p3782 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARK RIDGE, NJ (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Chep USA today announced the management team for its innovative new pallet pooling program, in which it intends over the next five years to revolutionize the multi- million dollar shipping pallet business in this country.

President and CEO of the new company is Michael McCarthy, an Oxford graduate who has been overseeing the launch of the new pallet pooling concept here since March of 1989.

Chep USA is a joint venture of GKN plc of England and Brambles Industries of Australia. It intends to invest $140 million over the next two years to launch the first national shipping pallet pool in the U.S. Its five year plan calls for it to provide a high percentage of the shipping pallets in the U.S.

"We're confident of our success not just because we're well-funded," said McCarthy, "but because we're putting into place programs that have already proved enormously successful in Europe and the Pacific Basin. And many of the members of our management team have played important roles in the success of the pallet pooling concept in other companies."

At any time, there are more than 100 million shipping pallets in use in the U.S. Chep won't sell shipping pallets, but will rent them, and claims superior design, workmanship and maintenance that not only will lengthen the life of the shipping pallet, but also greatly reduce damage resulting from defective pallets.

McCarthy comes to the U.S. after a successful role as Operations Director of the first European pallet pool starting in 1974. In 1979, he established and was managing director of Chep France before returning to the U.K. to become managing director of GKN Chep and most recently, chief executive of the Chep Division of GKN.

A London native, he is a graduate of Brasenose College in Oxford. Other members of the Chep USA management team announced today are: G. Andrew

Paterson, senior VP operations of the new company. Paterson is a graduate of Christ College, Cambridge, and had his first taste of the Chep pallet pooling system as a customer. Before joining the U.S. company, he had management responsibilities for Chep Deutschland and Chep Canada.

Joseph Pinto, senior VP commercial. Pinto joined Chep in 1980 as controller of Chep France, and led the team which successful introduced the Chep pallet pooling concept in Spain. Most recently, he was chairman of Chep France and Chep Espana. He is a graduate of Rouen University in France and Manchester University in England.

Arthur W. DeMelle, senior VP finance and administration. Before joining Chep, he was chief financial officer of Purolator Courier Corp. for seven years and executive vice president, chief financial officer of Emery Air Freight.

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#90284p3784 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Glenex Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: GLXIF) today announced the grant of an incentive stock option to Brian Foley, president of Image Group Canada Ltd., a subsidiary of the company.

The option, subject to approval by regulatory authorities, will permit the purchase of up to 17,500 shares of the company for a period of three years at $.86 per share.

Glenex Industries trades on NASDAQ in the U.S., and on the Vancouver Stock Exchange in Canada, ticker symbol "GXI".

CONTACT: Norman Glick, president, or Elaine N. Carlebach, vice president, 416-962-9292, of Glenex Industries

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#90284p3790 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - At least six shareholder class actions have been filed in federal court here against Travelers Corp. (NYSE: TIC) and its principal officers Edward H. Budd, Richard J. Shima and Allan D. Schuster.

The complaints allege violations of federal securities laws as a result of allegedly false and misleading statements made by Travelers during the period of approximately Nov. 15, 1989, through the present.

In essence, the complaints seek to recover for the investors their losses. During the class period, Travelers common stock has traded as high as $42 per

share. In the wake of the announcement last Friday to the effect that the company was adding $650 million to its reserve for troubled real estate loans and was forced to cut its common stock dividends by one-third, the common stock has plummeted in value and closed yesterday at 13-5/8 per share.

Richard D. Greenfield, of Haverford, Pa., a lawyer who specializes in representing investors in shareholder litigation and one of the lawyers for the plaintiffs, said, "Given the total surprise in the market place, we can understand why investors are shocked and the stock has traded at its currently low level. Hopefully, through this litigation, people who are members of the class will have an opportunity to recover their losses".

The Class is defined in Greenfield's litigation as all those persons who purchased Travelers stock during the period of approximately Nov. 15, 1989, to the present who have suffered losses.

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#90284p3791 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The international accounting, tax, and business consulting networks of Spicer & Oppenheim International (SOI) and the main members of NR International (NRI) today announced that a preliminary agreement has been reached to form a new, combined international network with a new name yet to be announced.

With local worldwide revenues of $415 million, the combined network of independent accounting firms will operate in 57 countries and rank as the 12th largest accounting organization in the world, 12th in the U.S. and 11th in Europe.

Patrice de Maistre, chairman of SOI, said "The larger network will build on our existing strengths, particularly in the United States and Europe, and provide us an enhanced platform for international referral business."

Alan Dyer, chairman of NRI, said "The new network will provide, among other things, a more complete global network that will enable us to serve our clients' international needs more effectively."

Internationally, the new group will include all the current members of SOI, together with the U.K. firm of Neville Russell.

In the U.S. members will include the national firm of Spicer & Oppenheim: Clifton, Gunderson & Co., a regional midwest firm; Wolf & Company, Boston; and Lorimore Warwick & Co., Wilmington, N.C. along with most other United States members of the NRI network.

Not only will international coverage be strengthened by the merger, it will significantly expand geographic coverage in the U.S. and will combine the two group's specialist skills in the agribusiness and health care with financial services and bankruptcy sectors.

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#90284p3792 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS, (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Edison Brothers Stores, Inc. (NYSE: EBS) reports sales of $106.3 million for the five weeks ended Oct. 6, 1990. This compares with $91.8 million for the five weeks ended Oct. 7, 1989, an increase of $14.5 million, or 15.8 percent.

For the thirty-five weeks ended Oct. 6, 1990, sales amounted to $738.9 million. This is an increase of $103.9 million, or 16.4 percent as compared with $635.0 million for the 35 weeks ended Oct. 7, 1989.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - William E. Chapman II will be nominated to the position of senior vice president, pension/savings programs for Kemper Financial Services, Inc., (KFS) at the next meeting of KFS' board of directors announced Stephen E. Gibson, executive vice president and director of marketing for KFS.

According to Gibson, Chapman, who joined the firm on Oct. 8, will head up Kemper Financial's Pension/Savings Programs department, which is responsible for the centralized support of marketing and sales of Kemper qualified plans.

"With more than 24 years of experience in the financial services industry -- and with much of that experience in the qualified plans marketplace -- Bill is an excellent choice to head up this important and rapidly expanding area for Kemper," Gibson said. "We are extremely pleased to have someone with his experience and credentials join KFS," he said.

Chapman, 49, comes to KFS from the Connecticut General Life Insurance Company (CIGNA), where he was senior vice president of CIGNA Investments, Inc. and president of CIGNA Asset Advisors and CIGNA Capital Brokerage, Inc. At CIGNA, Chapman was responsible for investment management sales to large corporate and public pension plans, financial institutions and individual markets. Prior to that, Chapman was president and chief executive officer of CIGNA Financial

Partners, Inc. and CIGNA Securities, Inc. Chapman began his career with CIGNA in 1967 in the group pension sales area.

Chapman is a 1963 graduate of Bowdoin College. In 1989, he was part of the Stanford Business School International Investment Programme at the London Business School. He is a chartered life underwriter and certified employee benefit specialist.

Kemper Financial Services is one of the nation's largest asset managers, with over $62 billion in assets under management, including approximately $5.5 billion in retirement plan assets under management. KFS is a major investment management and financial products company under the umbrella of Kemper Financial Companies, Inc., a holding company for the financial services units of Kemper Corp (NYSE: KEM). Kemper Corp. is a non-operating holding company with major subsidiaries in property-casualty insurance, life insurance, reinsurance and investment services.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - First Bank System, Inc. (NYSE: FBS) announced today that it had received Federal Reserve Board approval of its previously announced merger agreement with The Northern Cities Bancorporation, Inc., to acquire The Northwestern Bank in Anoka and The Northern National Bank in Forest Lake. FBS purchased the banks from J. Stephen Schmidt and other shareholders for an undisclosed amount.

The banks will continue to operate as The Northern Bank in Anoka and The Northern National Bank in Forest Lake until operations conversions are completed some time in 1991, at which time they will become branches of First Bank, First Bank System's lead bank with 37 branches in the Minneapolis/St. Paul area. The Northern Bank has locations at 301 Jackson St. and Seventh and Tyler in Anoka and has a branch in Ramsey, Minn. The Northern National Bank in Forest Lake is located at 320 W. Broadway. The closest First Bank location is in Coon Rapids.

At June 30, 1990, The Northern Bank in Anoka and the Northern National Bank in Forest Lake had assets of $72.7 million and $26.4 million, respectively.

First Bank System is a regional bank holding company headquartered in the Upper Midwest with assets of $19.4 billion. The company provides complete financial services to individuals and institutions through 32 banks and trust companies with more than 140 offices located in Minnesota, Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Washington and Wisconsin.

CONTACT: Wendy Raway of First Bank System, 612-370-5154

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WEST DES MOINES, Iowa (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - CE Software Holdings, Inc. reported today that its common stock, units and warrants will begin trading on NASDAQ (National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System) effective on Friday, Oct. 12, 1990. The company's common stock will trade under the NASDAQ symbol "CESH" and its units and warrants will use the symbols "CESHU" and "CESHW," respectively.

Additionally, during September 1990, the company began listing on Moody's Investors Service.

CE Software, Inc., the operating subsidiary of CE Software Holdings, Inc., is the leading Macintosh electronic mail supplier and a rapidly expanding publisher of system-enhancing software and network utilities for the Macintosh and IBM PC and compatible markets.

For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, the company's net income increased to $1,030,074, or $.28 per share on sales of $4,380,786, compared to net income of $15,372, or $.01 per share on net sales of $1,891,068 during the same period in 1989.

CE Software Holdings, Inc. resulted from the February 1990 merger of CE Software, Inc. with Anubis Corp. of Minneapolis.

CONTACT: John S. Kirk of CE Software, 515-224-1995; or Tom de Petra of First Financial Investor Relations, 612-338-7630, for CE Software

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CHICAGO (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Ameritech is the winner of a series of awards given by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and U.S. Department of Commerce for its efforts in assisting minority-owned businesses.

The company received four awards:
-- The SBA 1990 Illinois Private Sector Award for Support of Minority Business;
-- The SBA Region V award for its minority business development program achievements (Region V includes Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Minnesota, and Wisconsin);
-- Corporate awards for Ameritech and its Schaumburg, Ill.-based subsidiary, Ameritech Services, for "dedication and distinguished service in promoting minority businesses" from the SBA and U.S. Department of Commerce's Minority Business Development Agency.

"We at Ameritech view seriously the responsibility to ensure that individuals in all segments of our society can participate in business opportunities, whether as employees or as business entrepreneurs," said Ameritech Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William L. Weiss.

The Ameritech companies' efforts "are consistent with our commitment to work for the betterment of the social, economic and cultural life of our communities, our states and our nation," Weiss said.

Among Ameritech activities cited by the SBA include:
-- Minority business purchases and contracts in excess of $96 million in 1988 and 1989.
-- Management, technical and operational assistance to help small vendors increase cash flow.
-- Programs to assist minority vendors in securing lines of credit from suppliers and the amendment of bonding requirements where appropriate.
-- Procurement training workshops to inform vendors, improve purchasing procedures and provide quality programs.

"We are pleased by the Small Business Administration and U.S. Department of Commerce's recognition," said William Yablecki, executive director of Ameritech Services' purchasing and material management organization. "This shows our program is doing the job and that we're committed to promoting and helping minority businesses."

Ameritech is the Chicago-based parent of the Bell companies serving Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin, and several other information-related companies providing mobile communications, directories, lease financing, voice messaging and audiotex services.

Ameritech Services provides centralized purchasing and material management for the Ameritech Bell companies, in addition to marketing, technical and regulatory planning support.

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DALLAS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Endevco Inc. (AMEX: EI) announced today that on Oct. 9, 1990, it completed the "open season" transportation request period for its proposed Cornerstone Pipeline. Total firm transportation requests among 11 different shippers amounted to 870 million cubic feet per day, of which 250 million cubic feet per day are attributable to Endevco, with interruptible requests by 47 companies totalling 5.427 billion cubic feet per

day. Endevco Inc. stated that these requests represent indications of interests and it will now proceed to negotiate firm transportation agreements.

The proposed Cornerstone Pipeline is a 44 mile, 36-inch pipeline that will transport gas from Delhi, La., to Endevco's Mississippi Fuel Co. near Vicksburg, Mississippi with planned interconnections to the interstate pipelines owned by ANR, Arkla, Columbia Gulf and Tennessee Gas. The pipeline would have an initial capacity of 600 million cubic feet per day and capacity could be increased by addition of compression facilities. This pipeline project is being developed jointly with entities owned by certain members of the Bass Family of Fort Worth, Texas.

Cornerstone's request for an Optional Expedited Certificate is presently being reviewed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. This request was filed on Aug. 1, 1990.

"The favorable response by potential gas shippers supports our belief that this pipeline will serve a vital need for the nation's gas consumers, pipelines and producers," said James W. Bryant, chairman and chief executive officer of Endevco, Inc.

Endevco is a rapidly growing natural gas company built around a core business - gas transportation, consisting of gathering, transmission, storage and marketing natural gas. The company is also engaged in the closely related and complementary business of treating and processing natural gas and natural gas liquids.

CONTACT: James W. Bryant, Kelcy L. Warren, or E.P. Marinos, 214-691-5536, all of Endevco Inc.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - James P. Lennane, chairman of the ASK Shareholders Committee, announced today that ASK Computer Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: ASKI) has failed to furnish the committee with certain shareholder information, which ASK had previously promised to deliver and to which the committee is entitled to under Delaware law. ASK has not given any explanation for its refusal to furnish the information and has not responded to repeated requests from the committee.

Lennane stated "I am disappointed that ASK management has failed to honor its legal obligations and prior promises in this fashion. It is another instance of ASK management attempting to thwart lawful communication with shareholders." Lennane also indicated that the committee would seek an appropriate judicial relief.

Lennane has brought a lawsuit against ASK seeking to enjoin the issuance of

common stock to Hewlett-Packard Company and Electronic Data Systems Corporation in connection with ASK's acquisition of Ingres Corporation unless shareholders approve the transaction. On Monday, Oct. 8, the NASD sent a letter to ASK stating the issuance should be approved by shareholders in order for ASK common stock to remain listed on the NASDAQ National Market System. A decision is expected today in Lennane's lawsuit.

CONTACT: Stanley J. Kay or Neil J. Call of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for the ASK Shareholders Committee

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#90284p3808 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MUSCATINE, IOWA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bandag, Incorporated (NYSE: BDG) today approved a new stock purchase program which authorizes Bandag to purchase up to 1 million shares of its outstanding common stock from time to time in the open market or in private transactions. Most recently, in August 1988, the board or directors approved a stock purchase program of up to 1 million shares, of which 995,600 have been purchased, thereby leaving 4,400 shares yet to be purchased under the prior authorization.

Bandag, Incorporated manufactures retreading materials and equipment for its worldwide network of over 1,000 independent, franchised dealers who produce and market cold process retreads.

CONTACT: Thomas E. Dvorchak of Bandag, 319-262-1332

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LAKEWOOD, CO (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Plains Petroleum Co. (NYSE: PLP) announced today a number of promotions, effective Oct. 1, 1990, at its wholly owned subsidiary, Plains Petroleum Operating Co. (PPOC). J. Charles Farmer was promoted to Manager of Acquisitions, and he will be moving from Midland, Texas to Lakewood. Farmer had been District Manager in Midland the past two years. Under Farmer's direction the district has approximately doubled in terms of property developed and acquired since 1988.

Also promoted were Jeffrey Carlson to District Manager of the Rocky Mountains District; Darrell Cochell to District Manager of the South Central District; James Sutherland to District Manager of the Southern District; and Paul Brandt to District Engineer for the South Central Division.

The promotions were made in connection with the creation of three new districts by PPOC. The Rocky Mountains District based in Lakewood, Colo., includes Colorado, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah and Wyoming. The states of Arkansas, Kansas, Mississippi and Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle are in the South Central District with its district office in

Lakin, Kan. Louisiana, New Mexico and the balance of Texas activities will be the responsibility of the Southern District located in Midland, Texas.

The districts were designed to better focus PPOC's expanded production, exploration and development efforts. Plains' preliminary 1991 spending plan is $23 million, or more than 50 percent greater than its 1990 capital budget. The company's historical focus on acquisiitons will also be intensified with these promotions.

Plains, a Colorado based company, produces, develops and explores for oil and gas in the Midcontinent, Permian Basin, Gulf Coast and Rocky Mountain Regions of the United States.

CONTACT: Darrel Reed or Robert M. Danos both of Plains Petroleum Co., 303-969-9325; or Jim Fingeroth or Tracey Stearns both of Kekst and Co. for Plains Petroleum, 212-593-2655

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MONTREAL (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Alcan Aluminium Limited (NYSE: AL) today reported a consolidated net income of U.S. $97 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, which compares to $180 million reported in the same quarter of 1989. After preference share dividends, net income per common share was 41 cents versus 77 cents a year ago.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 includes a gain of $19 million, or 8 cents per share, resulting from a change in Alcan's holdings of Nippon Light Metal Company, Ltd. (NLM). Alcan's ownership interest declined, from 46 percent to 45.3 percent, primarily due to the exercise of publicly-held warrants to subscribe to NLM common shares. Net income in last year's quarter included non-operating expenses of $6 million, or 3 cents per common share.

Commenting on the quarter and the outlook for the balance of the year, David Morton, chairman and chief executive officer, observed that "Earnings in the third quarter benefited from higher volumes and prices in our sales of primary ingot. While this is satisfactory, the economic outlook for the next six to nine months is less encouraging, particularly in North America. However, the industry fundamentals remain sound in the longer term."

Fabricated product shipments were 12kt, or 3 percent, lower than in the year-ago quarter and just slightly below the level of the second quarter of 1990. Margins on fabricated products showed no change from this year's second quarter but were 30 percent lower than the year earlier quarter. Shipments of ingot products rose above the levels of this year's second quarter by 7 percent. Ingot realizations strengthened during the third quarter, but remained somewhat lower than one year ago.

Earnings from North American operations were similar to those in the second quarter, but well below those in the same quarter last year. Profits from operations in Europe declined in the third quarter with continuing weakness in the United Kingdom more than offsetting a strong German market. Latin American earnings continued to be affected by the difficult economic situation in Brazil, but profits from operations in the Pacific region showed a marked improvement over the second quarter.

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CHICAGO, (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - First Colonial Bankshares Corp. (NASDAQ: FCOLA) today announced a 19 percent increase in its third quarter net income compared with the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share increased by 6 percent to $.35 from $.33 one year earlier. Excluding nonrecurring items, earnings per share increased 13 percent. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer C. Paul Johnson explained that the third quarter of 1989 included a pension curtailment gain of $.08 per share, partially offset by a $.06 charge from the company's mortgage banking operations. Excluding these items, earnings per share were $.31 for 1989.

Johnson stated, "We are especially delighted with our performance in light of our acquisition of four banks earlier this year, which increased total assets by $300 million to nearly $1.6 billion, making First Colonial the sixth largest independent bank holding company in the state of Illinois." He added that the company is already recognizing cost savings from the integration of the new banks into the First Colonial system and that other cost reduction efforts have significantly improved earnings compared with prior quarters.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income increased by 4 percent to $8.7 million, compared with $8.3 million in 1989. On a per-share basis, net income was $.95 versus $.94 in the prior year; earnings per share for the first nine months of 1989 were $.88 per share excluding nonrecurring items.

Johnson also pointed out that First Colonial's traditionally conservative lending policies have kept nonperforming assets at a very low level, actually declining from 1.44 percent of total loans at June 30 to 1.39 percent at Sept. 30. Charge-offs have actually declined this year as a percentage of total loans from an annualized rate of .36 percent in 1989 to .31 percent in 1990.

The company's book value per share increased 17 percent from a year ago to $11 per share.

First Colonial owns and operates 15 banks with 22 offices in the Chicago metropolitan area and is also parent of several non-bank subsidiaries including Mid-States Financial Corp., a commercial leasing firm, and First

Colonial Trust Co.

FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. THIRD QUARTER 1990 AND 1989
(Dollar amounts in thousands, except per share)

Third quarter	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Net income	3,459.1	2,912.9	19
Per share -- primary and fully diluted	0.35	0.33	6
Net interest income (fte)	15,739.1	12,786.3	23
Margin	4.41 percent	4.66 percent	
Return on average assets	0.87 percent	0.98 percent	
Return on average common equity	13.34 percent	15.07 percent	
Noninterest income	4,178.2	4,098.3	2
Noninterest expense	12,902.4	10,762.2	20
Loan loss provision	1,068.8	1,370.6	(22)
Net charge-offs	699.3	825.7	(15)
Weighted average shares and share equivalents	9,472.2	8,540.9	11

Year-to-date	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Net income	8,708.5	8,341.6	4
Per share -- primary and fully diluted	0.95	0.94	1
Net interest income (fte)	42,749.6	38,988.4	10
Margin	4.44 percent	5.00 percent	
Return on average assets	0.83 percent	0.98 percent	
Return on average common equity	12.97 percent	14.98 percent	
Noninterest income	11,289.8	10,137.5	11
Noninterest expense	36,099.0	32,083.2	13
Loan loss provision	2,884.2	2,920.8	(1)
Net charge-offs	1,962.3	1,898.4	(3)
Weighted average shares and share equivalents	8,818.2	8,533.5	(3)

Balance sheet Sept. 30:	1990	1989	Percent change
Assets	$1,566,629.4	$1,207,309.9	30
Deposits	1,341,830.1	1,076,148.4	25
Loans	938,000.0	718,594.6	31
Shareholder equity	106,590.9	80,354.3	33
Loss Reserve	9,809.4	8,277.3	19
Reserve/loans ratio	1.05 percent	1.15 percent	
Nonaccrual and renegotiated loans and ORE	13,062.8	6,523.2	100
as a percent of loans and ORE	1.39 percent	0.91 percent	

Book value per share	$10.98	$9.42	17

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WEST PALM BEACH, FL (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - A full-size propulsion system designed by Pratt & Whitney to power the National Aero-Space Plane (NASP) has successfully completed an initial series of ground tests to simulated Mach 3 conditions.

The system is undergoing testing at The Marquardt Company's facility in Van Nuys, Calif. The initial flow tests lasted more than 30 minutes. Testing will continue throughout the ground test facility flight envelope capability.

"This series of tests validates our design concept and the test data exceeds our performance expectations. We are excited with the progress we have demonstrated," said Bob Wolfe, executive vice president of P&W's Space Propulsion and Systems Division.

The goal of the NASP program is to develop a single-stage-to-orbit research vehicle that takes off like an airliner and flies directly into orbit. For return to earth, the vehicle would decelerate for a conventional horizontal landing. First flight is planned for 1997.

Since May 24 when the Department of Defense and NASA approved the innovative contractor teaming arrangement, P&W has participated as a team member with Rockwell International, General Dynamics, McDonnell Douglas and Rocketdyne. As a national contractor team, this unique new approach allows the government and the contractors to capitalize on five technical industry bases for design and development of a NASP baseline propulsion system. Through teamwork and consolidation, the government expects greater benefits from a synergism of ideas.

P&W began developing the key technologies required for the NASP propulsion system in September 1986 under a U.S. Air Force contract. The company received a $66 million contract in April 1989 to continue development of the NASP propulsion system.

Products for the U.S. space program are produced by Pratt & Whitney's Space Propulsion and Systems, located in West Palm Beach, Fla.; which includes Chemical Systems Division, San Jose, Calif.; and USBI, with facilities in Florida, Alabama and Louisiana. Pratt & Whitney is a unit of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX) based in Hartford, Conn.

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#90284p3828 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRAINTREE, MA. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ: GROS), announced today that, according to the preliminary report of the independent inspectors of election, the Shidler/Holman Group received valid unrevoked consents to replace the board of directors of Grossman's representing only 29.9 percent of Grossman's stock, far less than the necessary majority of outstanding shares.

The preliminary report also stated that no individual Shidler/Holman nominee received consents from more than 33.9 percent of the outstanding shares. Grossman's noted that these vote totals were significantly below the results announced by the Shidler/Holman Group two days ago and reflected, among other things, the effect of the large number of revocations of consents received by Grossman's.

Grossman's, a major retailer of lumber and building materials, operates 156 stores in nine Northeastern states and in California.

CONTACT: Stanley Berman of Grossman's, 617-848-0100, x2350 or Andrea Priest of Adams & Rinehart, 212-557-0100, for Grossman's

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#90284p3830 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Software Inc. (NYSE: SSW) said it intends to make an exchange offer of additional shares of its $7.20 exchangeable preferred stock and cash for up to 1,500,000 shares of the company's common stock.

Sterling said that for each share of common stock it will offer to exchange 1/8 of a share of preferred stock plus $2 cash. The closing prices of the preferred stock and common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on Oct. 10, 1990 were $46 and $6 per share, respectively. Based on these prices the indicated exchange value for the common stock is $7.75, a 29 percent premium. The preferred stock has cumulative annual dividends of $7.20 per share and a liquidation preference of $48 per share. Sterling has the option to exchange a 15-year 15 percent subordinated note for the preferred stock.

The exchange offer is expected to commence within two weeks and expire 20 business days from that date.

CONTACT: Betty Feezor of Sterling Software Inc., 214-891-8600

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#90284p3832 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAFOX, IL (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Richardson Electronics traded (NASDAQ: RELL) today announced that its board of directors at its annual meeting of stockholders on Oct. 9, 1990 voted to declare a cash dividend for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 to all holders of common stock.

A cash dividend of $.04 per share will be payable Dec. 14, 1990 to all stockholders of record Nov. 23, 1990. The company currently has 7,917,183 shares of common stock outstanding.

In other business transacted at the directors meeting, the board approved continuation of authority for the company to repurchase both its common stock and convertible debentures on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions.

Richardson Electronics Ltd., is an international supplier of electron tubes and power semiconductors with 20 offices throughout the U.S., Europe and Japan.

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#90284p3834 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DECATUR, Ga. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Prime Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: PMBS), holding company for Prime Bank, FSB, formerly DeKalb Federal Savings Bank, reported third quarter net earnings of $520,000, or 30 cents a share, compared with $608,000, or 35 cents a share a year ago.

Earnings for the third quarter of 1990 included an after-tax gain of $193,000 from the sale of loans and securities, compared to $358,000 in third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net earnings were $1.6 million or 95 cents a share, compared to $1.3 million for the same period in 1989.

At Sept. 30, consolidated assets totaled $582 million, an increase of 15 percent since December 1989. The corporation's capital was $34.8 million on Sept. 30, which is 6 percent of total assets and exceeds regulatory requirements. Prime Bancshares' book value per share was $20.43 at Sept. 30.

Non-performing assets amounted to $9.2 million or 1.56 percent of total assets compared to $8.5 million at Dec. 31, 1989. At Sept. 30, Prime Bank's allowance for possible loan losses totaled $1.8 million.

The common stock of Prime Bancshares is traded Over-the-Counter and quoted on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation (NASDAQ) System under the symbol "PMBS."

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#90284p3844 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
OAKHURST, CA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to recent declines in its stock price, Sierra On-Line (NASDAQ: SIER) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the company to repurchase up to 300,000 shares of its common stock in open market purchases as market conditions warrant. Sierra's shares traded at $11.50 per share today and have recently traded as high as $28 per share. Sierra currently has 3.6 million shares of common stock outstanding.

Sierra's president, Kenneth Williams, believes Sierra's stock price has been disproportionately affected by a combination of fears of recession, world politics and analysts' concerns regarding delayed release dates for new Sierra products during the Christmas season. Williams stated that he did not believe these delayed product introductions would have a material long-term adverse impact on Sierra. Williams also stated that "Sierra has recently been experimenting with some interesting new products that may give Sierra On-Line new business opportunities, and we hope to have a better understanding of the commercial feasibility of these products toward the beginning of the year." Williams went on to say that "Sierra is considering repurchasing its stock simply because it believes it is significantly undervalued." Although Sierra has no immediate targeted purpose for the shares it may repurchase, Williams indicated that such shares could be used in future acquisitions or securities offerings.

Sierra On-Line develops and publishes premium-priced interactive animated adventure software for the high-end of the consumer market. The company's products feature high-quality graphics, music and sound effects and are designed primarily for IBM PCs, IBM PC compatibles and computers manufactured by Apple Computer Inc.

CONTACT: Bruce Grant, VP-Finance & CFO of Sierra On-Line, 209-683-4468

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#90284p3849 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA, (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) will lead the region on Oct. 15 in saluting our troops in Saudi Arabia for a national television audience by lighting its Crown Lights atop its headquarters building with the phrase "Philly Salutes Our Troops."

In addition to our Crown Lights, many buildings in downtown Philadelphia will be lit to further demonstrate the city's support for our troops. This is being done with the support of the Building Owners' and Managers' Association of Philadelphia (BOMA).

Nicholas DeBenedictis, PE's senior vice president for Corporate and Public

Affairs, said, "We hope this effort will lead all cities hosting a Monday night football game to light up in honor of our troops. The men and women in Saudi Arabia need to be in our thoughts daily as they preserve the freedom that we in this country so richly enjoy."

Monday night football is shown to our troops overseas through the Armed Forces Radio and Television networks.

PE's Crown Lights will also WELCOME ABC Monday Night Football to Philadelphia for the game's coverage.

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#90284p3850 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAUPPAUGE, NY (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Robotic Vision Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROBV), a leading manufacturer of machine vision-based inspection and measurement products for improved manufacturing productivity and quality control, announced today the receipt of more than $6.7 million in contracts from the U.S. Navy and Air Force.

The U.S. Navy award, worth $6.5 million, is related to the automated intelligent inspection and machining of critical Navy ship's propellers. RVSI was awarded $4.5 million in December, 1989 for a previous phase of this project.

The system will use RVSI's advanced high-speed, high-definition 3-D Surface Mapping technology to rapidly acquire hundreds-of-thousands of precise three-dimensional measurements from the propeller casting surface. This information will be used to guide a sophisticated milling machine through the removal of excess material, creating a finished propeller. Expected benefits include a dramatic reduction in propeller manufacturing time and improved precision in propeller geometry.

A second contract award, funded by both the U.S. Air Force and Navy, involves the company's 3-D Surface Mapping technology for the inspection and measurement of aircraft parts. This contract is valued at more than $200,000.

Robotic Vision Systems, Inc. designs, develops, manufactures and markets advanced three-dimensional vision-based inspection and measurement products for industrial and military purposes.

CONTACT: Paul D. Baker of Robotic Vision Systems, 516-273-9700

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#90284p3861 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) Vice President of Marketing John B. Damoose today announced new appointments in the Marketing organization.

Thomas C. McAlear has been named Director - Marketing Operations with the responsibility of corporate advertising, sales promotions, marketing analysis and marketing plans and programs.

McAlear previously served as Manager - Dealer Marketing, a responsibility which has been re-assigned to divisional marketing groups.

McAlear earlier served in various sales and marketing positions since he joined Chrysler in July 1975. He was born Nov. 10, 1950, and earned bachelor's and masters' degrees at Drury College, Springfield, Mo. He lives in Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

In other appointments, James D. Jandasek was named Manager - Advertising Media Relations, Richard W. Everett was named Manager - Marketing Analysis and Terri L. Houtman was named Advantage Advertising Specialist, all reporting to McAlear.

For Chrysler/Plymouth Division, Richard M. Kimball was named Advertising Manager, James R. Julow was named Marketing Plans Manager and Robert M. Williams was named Dealer Advertising Manager. They report to James P. Holden General Manager.

For Dodge Car & Truck Division, Ralph A. Sarotte was named Marketing Plans Manager and Michael L. Storm was named Dealer Advertising Manager, reporting to Marty R. Levine, General Manager.

For Jeep/Eagle Division, Christine A. MacKenzie was named Advertising Manager and Michael D. Kane was named Dealer Advertising Manager, reporting to Larry W. Baker.

CONTACT: Tom Jakobowski of Chrysler, 313-956-1881 or 313-956-1898

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DETROIT (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. car and truck production for this week is estimated at 225,037 vehicles, up 1.7 percent from the previous week's actual build of 221,359, Ward's Automotive Reports announced today.

Ward's said that this week's scheduled production is up 10.3 percent from the 1989 same-week build of 204,115.

This week's planned U.S. car production is 142,411 units, bringing the 1990 year-to-date estimate through the end of this week to 4,921,156, 89.71 percent

of like-1989's output of 5,485,904, Ward's reported.

U.S. truck output for this week is estimated at 82,626, up from the prior week's actual output of 77,602, Ward's said. Estimated year-to- date truck output through the end of this week is 3,095,031, 94.72 percent of year-ago's 3,267,621.

Of this week's estimated U.S. car output, General Motors Corp.'s share was 42.2 percent; Ford Motor Co., 25.5 percent; Chrysler Corp., 12.1 percent; Honda of America Mfg. Inc., 6.4 percent; Toyota Motor Mfg. USA Inc., 3.1 percent; New United Motor Mfg. Inc., 3.0 percent; Mazda Motor Mfg. (USA) Corp. 2.7 percent; Diamond-Star Motors Corp., 2.5 percent; Nissan Motor Mfg. Corp., 1.8 percent; and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc., 0.7 percent.

NORTH AMERICAN FACTORY PRODUCTION

	This Week Estimated	Last Week Revised	Same Week Last Year	To Date 1990	To Date 1989	Pct.Change 1990 vs.1989
U.S.						
Cars	142,411	143,757	142,117	4,921,156	5,485,904	-10.29
Trucks	82,626	77,602	61,998	3,095,031	3,267,621	-5.28
TOTAL	225,037	221,359	204,115	8,016,187	8,753,525	-8.42
CANADA						
Cars	21,972	27,360	20,121	850,311	785,260	8.28
Trucks	14,936	16,288	15,993	683,009	753,949	-9.41
TOTAL	36,908	43,648	36,114	1,533,320	1,539,209	-0.38
U.S./CANADA						
Cars	164,383	171,117	162,238	5,771,467	6,271,164	-7.97
Trucks	97,562	93,890	77,991	3,778,040	4,021,570	-6.06
GRAND TOTAL	261,945	265,007	240,229	9,549,507	10,292,734	-7.22

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COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Viratek Inc. (NASDAQ: VIRA) today reported a third quarter gain of 2 cents a share compared to a loss of 45 cents a share in last year's third quarter.

The company receives royalties from sales of the antiviral drug Virazole (ribavirin) by SPI Pharmaceuticals.

Virazole is authorized in the United States and 17 other countries for the aerosolized treatment of infants and young children hospitalized with severe respiratory tract infection caused by respiratory syncytial virus. It is also authorized in different forms outside the United States for a variety of viral infections, including influenza, measles, herpes simplex virus, herpes zoster and human immunodeficiency virus.

Viratek, a subsidiary of ICN Pharmaceuticals Inc., (NYSE: ICN) is engaged in the discovery and development of new pharmaceuticals based on nucleic acid research.

VIRATEK INC.
Summary Financial Information
For the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, and 1989
(000's omitted, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Aug. 31,		Nine Months Ended Aug. 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$200	$435	$508	$955
Gross profit	34	151	86	420
Research & development costs	98	2,727	1,002	8,620
Other expense (income), net	(274)	1,596	380	(1,389)
Net income	$210	$(4,172)	$(1,296)	$(6,811)
(loss)	$.02	$(.45)	$(.10)	$(.74)
Shares used in per share computation	13,946	9,240	12,400	9,234

CONTACT: Jack Scholl of Viratek Inc., 714-545-0100

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CONTACT: Jack Scholl of Viratek Inc., 714-545-0100

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - R.H. Macy & Co., Inc. and GE Capital Corporation, a subsidiary of the General Electric Company (NYSE: GE), have reached an agreement in principle for the sale of Macy Credit Corp. and Macy Receivables Funding Corp. to GE Capital. Macy will use the proceeds of the sale as part of its previously reported plan to reduce debt and interest costs.

The sale of these credit finance subsidiaries will have the effect of removing approximately $1.5 billion of debt from Macy's balance sheet. The current net asset value of the two subsidiaries is approximately $100 million. The transaction is expected to be completed by late January 1991, subject to customary closing conditions and bank consents.

Macy and GE Capital have agreed to negotiate a credit- servicing contract which will be focused on improvements in customer service and in the enhancement of credit offerings to Macy's customers.

GE Capital, headquartered in Stamford, Conn., is one of the nation's largest diversified financial services companies with assets in excess of $63.6 billion. The company currently has a preferred stock investment in R.H. Macy & Co., Inc. which is convertible to a 20 percent equity interest.

GE Capital Retailer Financial Services, one of 20 GE Capital businesses, is a leading third party supplier of private label credit managing 37 million individual customer credit card accounts for over 200 of the top retail businesses in the U.S., Canada, and Europe.

R.H. Macy, one of the nation's largest retail chains, currently operates 147 department stores in the U.S., including 97 Macy's stores in the Northeast,

South and Northern California divisions; 22 Bullock's, primarily in Southern California; and 28 I. Magnin stores.

CONTACT: Lisa Van Orden of GE Capital, 203-357-4346, or James N. Fingeroth or Maureen Burgess of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for R.H. Macy

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#90284p3880 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

KENT, OHIO (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Officials from the Edward J. DeBartolo Corporation announced that, as a result of cooperative pledges received from the Tri-County Building and Construction Trades Council -- AFL-CIO, they will cease pursuing tax abatement/industrial revenue bond financing as previously proposed for the planned University Town Center, a development of the DeBartolo Corporation and affiliates of Antonia Investments, Ltd.

Edward J. DeBartolo, chairman and chief executive officer for the nation's largest shopping mall development and management firm, stated, "We have worked very hard during the last three years to make this important project a reality. The uncertainty regarding tax abatement/site improvement financing, coupled with the potential delays this issue could cause, was preventing the completion of necessary anchor store and financing arrangements. Thanks to the assistance of the Tri-County Building and Construction Trades Council as well as our value engineering, we have now made this project economically feasible."

University Town Center will be Portage County's first comprehensive regional mall. The two-level facility will be built on the 50-acre site at the intersection of SR 43 and 261 in Kent. The mall will be anchored by three full-line department stores. Over 960 full-time employment opportunities are projected to be generated by its development.

The May Company as well as Higbee's have already announced commitments to open stores at the project in 1992. DeBartolo noted that these commitments to specific opening dates were important factors in proceeding on the project without further delay.

For their part in this agreement, The Building Trades Council has pledged that unions participating in the council will cooperate to minimize any work stoppages at the development and that they will assist in maintaining the completion timetable which has been outlined.

Henry A. Lay, chairman and chief executive officer of Antonia Investments, Ltd., whose affiliate is a partner in the development, stated that the other Portage County and city of Kent arrangements and proceedings have been completed. Construction of University Town Center will proceed as planned.

Lay noted the development is anticipated to generate more than $21 million in

revenues for the county during the first 10 years of operation. The City of Kent will receive a projected $7.8 million in increased taxes during that same period. The Field School District, which was projected to receive increased revenues of $1.3 million over the first 10 years of operation under the tax abatement plan, is now expected to receive over $5.7 million.

The Edward J. DeBartolo Corporation's portfolio encompasses over 88 million square feet of commercial space. For nearly five decades, the coporation has master planned, developed and managed regional malls, community centers, office facilities, industrial parks, hotels and other ventures.

CONTACT: The Edward J. DeBartolo Corporation, 216-758-7292

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#90284p3883 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DURHAM, NC (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Net income for CCB Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CCBF) for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990 was $5,195,000 compared to $5,583,000 in the third quarter of 1989. On a per share basis, primary and fully diluted income per share were $1.02 and $.97, respectively, compared to $1.11 and $1.05. For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, net income was $15,217,000 compared to $15,886,000 for the comparable period of 1989. Primary and fully diluted income per share were $3.00 and $2.85, respectively compared to $3.16 and $2.99. Total assets were $2,065,817,000 at September 30, 1990, an increase of 7.9 percent over total assets of $1,915,004,000 at September 30, 1989.

E.C. Roessler, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of CCB Financial Corporation, commented, "Our earnings results continue to be somewhat disappointing. This is a result of the slowed economy in our market areas and an increase in expenses. The economy has led to a higher than desired level of nonperforming assets. The increase in controllable expenses will benefit future earnings because these reflect more branches for our markets and a more efficient operations center. The other good news is a stabilization in our interest spreads and continued high levels of capital strength and liquidity."

CCB Financial Corporation is the bank holding company for Central Carolina Bank and Trust Company and Republic Bank & Trust Company and operates 98 offices located primarily in the Piedmont section of North Carolina.

CONTACT: W. Harold Parker, Jr., CCB Financial Corporation, 919-683-7631

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#90284p3884 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENFIELD, MA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - West Mass Bankshares (NASDAQ: WMBS) ("West Mass") and the Bank of Western Massachusetts ("BWM") today provided the

following additional comments regarding the previously announced execution of a Non-Binding Letter of Intent, pursuant to which BWM would acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of West Mass. BWM is to form a holding company to effectuate the transaction.

As presently contemplated by the parties, and as reflected in the Nonbinding Letter of Intent, each shareholder of West Mass would have the option of receiving (1) all cash, (2) all stock in the holding company to be formed by BWM, or (3) part cash and part stock. For purposes of the exchange, the stock of BWM holding company will be valued at a price of $840 per share. If West Mass shareholders elect to receive in the aggregate more than $11 million in cash, BWM would have the right to terminate the transaction. Management of West Mass will elect to receive a to-be-agreed upon minimum number of shares of BWM holding company stock.

The price to be paid by BWM for each share of West Mass common stock will be the adjusted book value (fully diluted) per share, to be determined mutually between the parties, provided that West Mass does not presently intend to go forward if the adjusted book value is less than $10.34 per share, and BWM does not presently intend to go forward if the adjusted book value is more than $11.42 per share.

If a Definitive Agreement is reached, West Mass will grant BWM an option to purchase 308,888 shares of West Mass common stock at a per share price of $6.75, which shares would represent 20 percent of West Mass common stock then outstanding.

The transaction would be subject to, among other things, regulatory and shareholder approvals, as well as to the completion of certain financing by BWM.

CONTACT: Jim Neill of West Mass Bankshares, 413-774-3713

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#90284p3885 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CALIF. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - LIDAK Pharmaceuticals (NASDAQ: LDAKU) announced today that it has received a Phase I grant from the National Institutes of Health under its Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) Program. The $50,000 award will support applied research on a new delivery system for stimulating the body's immune defenses in eliminating malignant cancer cells.

For many years, scientists have attempted to devise effective means for stimulating the immune systems of cancer patients to specifically react with and destroy the patient's own tumor. While certain approaches have shown some promise, this approach has not yet been generally applicable in the cancer therapy field. This is because many cancers are only weakly antigenic

and cancer cells often can avoid normal immunologic defenses by producing chemicals which interfere with and diminish the effectiveness of immune reactions. To avoid these problems, LIDAK scientists have been employing artificial membrane technology to elicit and enhance anti-cancer immune responses, and have recently demonstrated that such artificial membranes containing cancer antigens are very effective stimulators of anti-cancer killer cells in animal models.

In addition to its possible use as anti-cancer therapy, this technology, for which LIDAK is currently seeking patent protection, will, if successfully developed, also potentially be useful for increasing defenses against infectious viruses.

This is the second such award for the company. LIDAK previously received a Phase I National Institutes of Health SBIR award to pursue new strategies for developing human monoclonal antibodies.

LIDAK Pharmaceuticals is a biotechnology company organized to develop and commercialize innovative pharmaceutical products. The first is a patented, topical therapeutic compound which has produced positive results in volunteer human patients suffering from oral and genital herpes infections and certain inflammatory skin diseases.

CONTACT: David H. Katz, M.D., chairman and CEO of LIDAK Pharmaceuticals, 619-558-0364, 619-453-5845 (fax)

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#90284p3889 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROCKTON, MA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Etonic Inc., a division of Etonic Tretorn Puma, manufacturers of performance athletic footwear, announced today a denial of all charges brought against the company by Nike Inc. (NASDAQ: NIKE) in a civil suit filed in U.S. District Court, Boston, on Oct. 9, 1990.

The suit, which charges Etonic with patent infringement, false advertising and unfair business practices, was filed against Etonic's line of StableAir athletic footwear products.

"We're fully confident in our rights to StableAir technology and our testing of its performance," said Michael Grindfors, president of Etonic Tretorn Puma. "We categorically deny the charges filed by Nike and will continue to support our product claims."

The Etonic line of StableAir running shoes was introduced in February 1990, and has been well received by the athletic footwear market to date.

CONTACT: Susan Mosher of Etonic Tretorn Puma, 508-583-9100

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#90284p3890 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Integrated Resources, Inc. today issued the following statement:

Investors in four public real estate limited partnerships were warned by the managing general partner of their partnerships, AIM Capital Management Corp., that the hostile takeover attempt of their funds by CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc., would reduce their returns and could cost them as much as 40 percent of the value of their investment. AIM Capital declared that the value of the CRI offer was already 30 percent below the funds' current market value.

The four American Insured Mortgage Investors funds, known as the AIM funds, with assets totaling more than $650 million, are invested chiefly in government-insured mortgages. AIM Capital is a subsidiary of Integrated Resources, Inc., currently in Chapter 11. AIM Capital is not in bankruptcy.

"From every viewpoint the CRI roll-up is costly and uneconomic," declared Stephen D. Weinroth, chairman of AIM Capital, in a letter to 65,000 unitholders of the AIM funds. He said that investors would incur higher fees and charges in the roll-up than CRI has represented.

Weinroth also contended that C.R.I., Inc., manager of CRI Mortgage, would be the principal beneficiary of the roll-up. He pointed out that roll-ups are a highly controversial investment vehicle now being investigated by the S.E.C. and a Congressional committee. "CRI does not put a dollar into the roll-up, but reaps the principal benefits. Investors bear all the costs and risks," said Weinroth.

In a filing with the S.E.C. detailing its analysis of the CRI proposal, AIM Capital warned unitholders that the proposed roll-up would be highly leveraged and pointed out that their current investments are not. It is estimated that CRI Mortgage could borrow an additional $800 million, if its current leveraging practices continue, on top of already substantial borrowings, said AIM Capital. This practice particularly benefits CRI, which collects fees based on the asset size of the roll-up vehicle. AIM Capital estimated that additional annual fees to CRI on the added borrowings would approximate $4 million.

CONTACT: Steven S. Anreder, 212-353-6409, or Joan Rappoport, 212-353-6408, of Integrated Resources

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#90284p3891 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Motor Cars, importer of Sterling

luxury sedans, today announced the following promotions and appointments.

Robert Gillan, previously dealer development manager, will assume the newly created position of national sales planning manager. Gillan will be responsible for all dealer business development and vehicle distribution activities. He will also oversee all dealership sales training activities.

Ed Wilkening will assume position as distribution manager responsible for all vehicles from production to allocation.

Carol Raymond has been promoted to distribution administrator responsible for vehicle allocations, vehicle location, and the coordination of all retail reporting. In addition, she will continue to oversee the company car fleet and used car title program.

Daniel Brown has been appointed sales planning analyst. Brown will be responsible for transportation and damage claims and product specification/option analysis. He will also be involved in market and sales analysis.

Kimarie Merlo has been appointed business management manager. Responsibilities include establishing dealer financial guidelines and management reports as well as reviewing dealer changes and market analysis.

Sterling Motor Cars, headquartered here, markets the Sterling line of cars imported from Rover Cars of Great Britain.

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Public Relations, 212-315-4900, for Sterling Motor Cars

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#90284p3896 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTON UPPER FALLS, MA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - GZA GeoEnvironmental Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: GZEA) today announced its results for the quarter and the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990. For the second fiscal quarter, net revenue, the company's primary measure of business growth, was $9 million, 9.9 percent higher than the comparable period last year. Second quarter net income increased 8.1 percent to $748,000. Earnings per share for the quarter were 20 cents compared to 24 cents last year. Earnings per share comparisons during fiscal 1991 are adversely affected by the increased number of shares outstanding due to the company's initial public offering in July 1989.

For the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, net revenue increased 15.2 percent to $17.8 million while net income rose 29.7 percent to $1.3 million. Earnings per share for the first six months of fiscal 1991 were 35 cents compared to 37 cents last year.

The company attributed higher revenue and earnings results to an increase in volume of the company's environmental consulting and geotechnical engineering services, and increased interest income attributable to investment of the proceeds of the company's initial public offering.

Commenting on second quarter results, Donald Goldberg, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, "We are pleased with our performance in the second quarter despite the slowdown in the economy. Our core business remains strong, and the company is well-positioned to target new markets."

Goldberg commented further, "We continue to enjoy strong growth in our remediation subsidiary, Environmental Applications, Inc. In September, to support this growth, Environmental Applications acquired Grover Enterprises, Inc., an earthwork and general contracting firm that specializes in remediation services. We believe this acquisition will enhance Environmental Applications' cost-competitive position for environmental remediation projects and will allow the company to effectively compete for large projects and capture margins previously given to subcontractors. Over the past several months, Environmental Applications has, in fact, successfully bid several projects and increased its estimated backlog $5 million to approximately $14 million ($11.5 million of which is expected to be completed within 12 months). Our new subsidiary, Applied Environmental Technologies, Inc., which we acquired last December, has also helped us attract new business. In the second quarter, this new business included a pre-acquisition site assessment and regulatory audit of 30 chemical distribution facilities around the country, as well as a contract with the state of Michigan for facility audits statewide."

GZA GeoEnvironmental Technologies, Inc. provides a wide spectrum of environmental consulting and remediation services and geotechnical services to private sector companies and public agencies. The common stock of GZA GeoEnvironmental Technologies, Inc. is listed on the National Market System of NASDAQ, symbol GZEA.

GZA GeoEnvironmental Technologies, Inc.
Summary Financial Data
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	8/31/90	8/31/89	8/31/90	8/31/89
Net revenue	$8,994	$8,181	$17,846	$15,491
Income before income taxes	$1,215	$1,135	$2,100	$1,636
Net income	$748	$692	$1,292	$996
Earnings per share	20 cents	24 cents	35 cents	37 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,721	2,872	3,722	2,709

CONTACT: Anne Glanz or Kim Whelan, both of GZA GeoEnvironmental

Technologies, Inc., 617-969-0700

-30- 4048

#90284p3899 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Weitek Corp. (NASDAQ: WWTK) reported revenue of $16,000,000 and net income of $2,227,000 (26 cents per share) in its quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990. Compared with the third quarter of 1989, these results represent a 25 percent increase over revenue of $12,800,000 and a 24 percent increase over net income of $1,792,000 (21 cents per share).

For the first nine months of 1990, Weitek posted revenue of $47,200,000 and net income of $6,619,000 (77 cents per share). Revenue in the first nine months of 1989 was $35,000,000, and net income was $4,928,000 (58 cents per share).

Weitek is the leading supplier of high-performance numeric processing solutions. The company's VLSI circuits and software development tools power a broad range of computer systems, from minisupercomputers and engineering workstations to desktop computers and page printers.

WEITEK CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	(Unaudited) Three Months Ended		(Unaudited) Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Net revenue	$ 16,000	$ 12,800	$ 47,200	$ 35,000
Cost of sales	5,759	4,481	16,635	12,171
Gross margin	10,241	8,319	30,565	22,829
Research and development	3,261	2,417	9,735	6,569
Sales and marketing	2,926	2,688	8,736	7,362
General and administrative	797	671	2,344	1,936
Operating income	3,257	2,543	9,750	6,962
Other income	393	257	1,100	738
Income before income taxes	3,650	2,800	10,850	7,700
Provision for income taxes	1,423	1,008	4,231	2,772
Net income	$ 2,227	$ 1,792	$ 6,619	$ 4,928
Earnings per share	$ .26	$ .21	$ .77	$ .58
Weighted average common shares and equivalents	8,501	8,478	8,603	8,442

WEITEK CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
(In thousands)

	(Unaudited) Sept. 29, 1990	(Unaudited) June 30, 1990	(Audited) Dec. 31, 1989
ASSETS Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 25,001	$ 23,986	$ 21,762
Accounts receivable, net	6,299	7,073	4,781
Inventories	5,153	5,396	3,812
Deferred income taxes	367	320	375
Prepaid expenses and other	592	534	696
Total current assets	37,412	37,309	31,426
Equipment and leasehold improvements, net	5,422	5,650	5,003
Other assets	2,013	2,011	11
Total	$ 44,847	$ 44,970	$ 36,440
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	$ 2,492	$ 4,415	$ 2,643
Accrued compensation and employee benefits	1,704	1,740	1,580
Current portion of equipment term loans and capitalized lease obligations	592	608	782
Income taxes payable	160	91	60
Other current liabilities	1,400	1,421	489
Total current liabilities	6,348	8,275	5,554
Equipment term loans and capitalized lease obligations	726	899	733
Deferred income taxes and other long-term liabilities	74	103	160
Total liabilities	7,148	9,277	6,447
Shareholders' equity:			
Common stock	19,691	19,912	18,604
Retained earnings	18,008	15,781	11,389
Total shareholders' equity	37,699	35,693	29,993
Total	$ 44,847	$ 44,970	$ 36,440

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HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today reported its U.S. assembly plants' schedule for the week of Oct. 15.

Newark (Del.) Assembly Plant will continue to operate two 9-1/2-hour daily shifts next week.

The company reported that its Belvidere (Ill.), Sterling Heights (Mich.), Dodge City/Warren (Mich.) Truck, and St. Louis II (Fenton, Mo.) assembly plants will operate two eight-hour daily shifts next week.

St. Louis I (Fenton) Assembly Plant will continue to operate a single eight-hour daily shift next week.

Toledo (Ohio) Assembly Plant is not scheduled to operate next week due to inventory adjustment. About 5,000 hourly people will be on temporary layoff. The plant will resume production the week of Oct. 22.

CONTACT: Alan Miller or Doug Nicoll of Chrysler, 313-956-2894

-30- 1014

#90284p3905 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - During the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, Employee Benefit Plans, Inc. (NASDAQ: EBPI) reported record revenues of $35.4 million compared with $18.8 million for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1989, a $16.7 million or 88.5 percent increase. Earnings from operations before interest expense for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, were $3.8 million compared with $1.5 million for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1989, an increase of $2.3 million or 148.6 percent. The company's reported earnings before extraordinary item were $2.3 million or $0.32 per share for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990 as compared to $384,000 or $0.10 per share for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1989. The company's single employer business continues to have substantial growth. The number of single employer customers increased from 724 at Aug. 31, 1989, to 1,829 at Aug. 31, 1990.

Employee Benefit Plans, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, provides an integrated program of managed healthcare services to employers that self-fund their benefit programs. The company is one of the largest managed healthcare companies in the United States, with approximately 1,800 single employer clients nationwide representing approximately 1.5 million employees and dependents.

EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS, INC. SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	8/31/90	8/31/89
Revenues	$35,449,237	$18,802,874
Earnings from operations before interest expense	3,757,243	1,511,124
Interest expense	170,111	970,616
Earnings from operations before		

provision for income tax expense and extraordinary item	3,587,132	540,508
Provision for income tax expense	1,325,000	157,000
Earnings before extraordinary item	2,262,132	383,508
Extraordinary item-tax benefit resulting from utilization of loss carryforward	1,257,000	122,000
Net earnings	$3,519,132	$505,508
Net earnings per common and common equivalent share:		
Earnings before extraordinary item	$0.32	$0.10
Extraordinary item	0.18	0.03
Net earnings	$0.50	$0.13
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	7,057,199	3,870,869
BALANCE SHEET DATA:	8/31/90	5/31/90
Cash and cash equivalents	$27,353,565	$21,703,551
Working capital	12,033,417	8,934,240
Total assets	70,852,522	66,909,349
Long-term debt, including current portion	6,726,877	7,775,122
Shareholders' equity	37,436,161	33,744,877

CONTACT: Mark Sorensen, chief financial officer, or Denise Piel, investor relations, 612-546-4353, both of Employee Benefit Plans

-30- 3319

#90284p3909 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) today proposed a national program to protect consumers by improving and standardizing telemarketing practices in the telecommunications industry.

The proposal to create national telemarketing standards has been submitted to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

"There is growing concern that the process of choosing a long distance carrier be driven by informed choice of consumers, and not by deceptive sales or advertising practices of the long distance companies," Eugene Eidenberg, MCI executive vice president, said in announcing the plan. "The five-point plan we have presented to the FCC will create a national standard to protect consumers while still preserving the competition that has brought them better service in the long distance industry at lower prices."

MCI's plan calls for these five requirements:

1. Uniform, minimum disclosures in all sales solicitations.

2. Monitoring procedures to assure that telephone sales representatives adhere to approved procedures.

3. Verification of all sales by individuals independent of the carriers' sales organizations to ensure that the consumer has authorized a change in service.

4. Audits by independent, outside firms to assure conformance to each step of the procedure.

5. Free and convenient return to the original long distance carrier in the case of unauthorized service conversion.

"The new standards would supercede a proposal by AT&T now before the commission," Eidenberg said. "That proposal would require each customer to sign a form prior to being switched to their newly selected carrier.

"Such a requirement would significantly inconvenience customers who wished to switch their service and would reduce the competitive nature of the long distance business," Eidenberg said.

CONTACT: MCI Communications Corporation, Corporate News Bureau, 1-800-289-0073 or 202-887-3000

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#90284p3912 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, N.Y. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Task Group, Inc. (NYSE: TSK) today released its results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 represented the most profitable quarter in CTG's history with operating income of $2.9 million versus $0.1 million in 1989 on revenues of $58,800,000 and $58,800,000 in 1990 and 1989, respectively. Income before taxes rose to $3.4 million in 1990 compared to $0.5 million in 1989, and earnings per share increased to $0.21 from $0.03.

For the nine months year-to-date, operating income rose to $8.1 million on revenues of $174,500,000 in 1990 compared to $2.5 million on revenues of $177,100,000 in 1989. Income before taxes rose 138 percent to $9.6 million compared to $4.1 million in 1989, and earnings per share increased 119 percent to $0.59 from $0.27 in 1989.

COMPUTER TASK GROUP, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME
3RD QUARTER ENDED SEPT. 30, 1990
(unaudited, in thousands, except per share data)

	For The Three Months	For The Nine Months

	Ended Sept. 30,		Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
REVENUE	$58,800	$58,800	$174,500	$177,100
OPERATING COSTS & EXPENSES	50,250	51,900	150,200	155,700
SELLING, GENERAL & ADMINISTRATIVE	5,600	6,800	16,150	18,900
OPERATING INCOME	2,950	100	8,150	2,500
NET INTEREST INCOME	400	400	1,500	1,550
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	3,350	500	9,650	4,050
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	1,400	250	4,050	1,700
NET INCOME	$1,950	$250	$5,600	$2,350
NET INCOME PER SHARE	$0.21	$0.03	$0.59	$0.27
AVERAGE SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,450	9,756	9,573	8,695

CONTACT: Samuel D. Horgan, vice president-finance and chief financial officer, 716-887-7300; or Joanne Starr, 716-887-7276, both of Computer Task Group, Inc.

-30- 2403

#90284p3913 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - BankAtlantic (NASDAQ-NMS: ASAL) has pulled its offering circular for the sale of six branch banking offices in Dade County, BankAtlantic President N. Mark Wright announced today.

"These are excellent branches for BankAtlantic and were only considered for sale because of the potential profit BankAtlantic anticipated generating on such a sale," commented Wright. "However, based on the branch inventory currently being offered for sale by the government's Resolution Trust Corporation, our potential buyers did not want to pay the premium that we believed these branches justified. In fact, during the past few months our innovative Positive Tiered checking/savings package has been so successful that deposits in this account category in each of our Dade County branches have increased substantially," said Wright.

"Important in today's strict regulatory environment is the fact that BankAtlantic continues to exceed all current capital requirements set by federal legislation," said Wright. "BankAtlantic's capital adequacy and improving core banking operations provide the foundation for a more aggressive presence in our tri-county marketplace, and particularly in Dade County where we hope to substantially increase our market share in coming months."

BankAtlantic's tangible capital was more than double the 1.5 percent regulatory requirement, and stood at 3.09 percent at June 30, 1990. Core

capital was 3.14 percent of assets at that date, also in excess of regulatory requirements. On June 30, 1990, risk-based capital was 6.54 percent of assets which exceeds current regulatory requirements.

For the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, BankAtlantic reported an increase in net income to $138,000, or 4 cents per share, as compared to net income of $109,000 or 3 cents per share for the comparable period of 1989.

BankAtlantic, A Federal Savings Bank, has assets of $1.89 billion and 46 banking offices in Broward, Palm Beach and Dade counties. A public company since 1983, BankAtlantic's shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the ticker symbol ASAL.

CONTACT: N. Mark Wright of BankAtlantic, A Federal Savings Bank, 305-760-5317

-30- 2413

#90284p3921 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd., the operating company for Royal Caribbean Cruise Line and Admiral Cruises, is introducing the world's first computerized cruise booking system during the 1990 ASTA World Congress.

Called CruiseMatch 2000, the system allows travel agents to book a Royal Caribbean or Admiral cruise the same way they now book airlines, rental cars and hotels -- by automated communication of availability direct to the agent's computer screen.

CruiseMatch 2000 offers real-time on-line booking information, the same inventory information displayed on the cruise lines reservation agents' screens: ship, sailing date, cabin availability, fares, payment schedules and more. The agent is able to book the appropriate ship, sailing date, cabin category, dining room seating, plus pre- and post-cruise land packages, then receive instant confirmation and agency specific pricing data via an assigned ID number. CruiseMatch 2000 also permits an agent to review or change previously confirmed bookings. Confidentiality is assured because the electronic system's unique security program prevents access to an agent's bookings by any other travel agency.

CruiseMatch 2000 will be available on several computer reservations systems: including System One, Worldspan-Datas II and Worldspan-Pars, at no extra cost to the travel agency. Participation on other computer reservations systems is currently being negotiated.

A personal computer (PC) version will also be available for agencies not connected to a computer reservations system. The PC version uses IBM-based programming and has been created especially for cruise-only agencies. It

includes colorized deck plans with cabin category location and availability, as well as illustrations of various cabin categories and layouts. Also shown are itineraries, pre- and post-cruise land package information, booking policies, special pricing promotions -- in effect, the PC version of CruiseMatch 2000 becomes an "electronic brochure" offering all the information an agent needs to book a complete cruise vacation. The system even provides daily rate updates and alerts agents to new programs, special promotions, pricing and commission opportunities, new services and entertainment events.

CONTACT: Lloyd Axelrod or Rich Steck of Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd., 305-539-2577

-30- 2583

#90284p3924 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Woolworth Corporation (NYSE: Z) said its wholly owned Canadian subsidiary, F.W. Woolworth Co. Limited, continues to maintain that it should be given an opportunity to bid on the proposed sale of The Oshawa Group Limited's Towers-Bonimart store chain.

Woolworth argues that completion of the proposed sale of the Towers- Bonimart chain to Zellers Inc., a subsidiary of the Hudson's Bay Company, "may have a serious anti-competitive effect" on Woolworth's Woolco-store business in Canada.

It was disclosed on Oct. 3 that Oshawa was considering the sale of the 51-store Towers-Bonimart chain to Zellers, a discount department store operator, but that the proposed transaction had not been consummated. On learning this, Woolworth sent a letter to Oshawa expressing surprise that Woolworth had not been given the opportunity to bid on the store chain and asking for the information that Oshawa had previously furnished to Zellers so that Woolworth could consider making its own bid for the chain.

Yesterday, Allister P. Graham, president of Oshawa, responded in a letter to Robert L. Whitell, president and chief executive officer of the Canadian Woolworth subsidiary, stating that Oshawa had "undertaken certain obligations" preventing it from disclosing information concerning its Towers-Bonimart operation or discussing with Woolworth a sale of that business.

Today, in a follow-up letter to Graham's Oct. 10 letter, Whitell states his concern about Oshawa's "participation in a transaction with Zellers which, if consummated, may have a serious anti-competitive effect" on Woolworth's Woolco-store business.

The Canadian Woolworth subsidiary operates 146 Woolco full-line promotional department stores in Canada, in addition to some 316 other general merchandise and specialty stores.

In addition, Whitell's Oct. 11 letter asks, in fairness to Woolworth and Oshawa's shareholders, that Oshawa's board of directors do what is necessary, without violating Oshawa's obligations, to enable Oshawa to provide Woolworth with the information concerning the Towers-Bonimart operation that Woolworth had requested in its Oct. 3 letter.

CONTACT: W. Barry Thomson of Woolworth, 212-553-2394

-30- 2434

#90284p3925 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DUBLIN, OH (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - James W. Near, president and CEO of Wendy's International, Inc. (NYSE: WEN) confirmed statements made today to a Reuters wire service reporter that barring any unforseen developments, the company will not disappoint Wall Street analysts who estimate Wendy's 1990 earnings of 40 cents per share.

When questioned about a possible take-over, Near said that in line with his obligations as chief executive officer, he would present any valid offer to the board of directors. He further acknowledged that the company is not now in, nor does it have plans to enter into, discussions with potential take-over companies.

CONTACT: Denny Lynch of Wendy's International, 614-764-3413

-30- 888

#90284p3928 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DURHAM, NC (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Financial Holding Company (NASDAQ: SECF), the parent of Security Federal Savings Bank, Durham, North Carolina, reported that net income for the first nine months of 1990 increased 15.9 percent over the same period in 1989. Net income was $1,656,049, or $1.37 per share, as compared to $1,429,039, or $1.18 per share, for the same period in the prior year. Total assets reached $268,364,540, a 14.0 percent increase for the nine-month period ended September 30, 1990.

For the third quarter of 1990 and 1989, net income was $635,334 and $435,912, respectively. The 45.7 percent increase in quarterly earnings is attributed to the strong asset growth and the addition of $12 million in capital received during its initial public offering of common stock in June 1990.

Return on assets for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990 was 0.95 percent versus 0.75 percent for the same period in 1989. For the nine months, return on assets increased to 0.86 percent from 0.83 percent.

Larry D. Brock, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, stated: "The strong earnings through the first nine months of 1990 increased stockholders equity to $27.1 million, or 10.1 percent of assets. This strong level of

capitalization and the excellent quality of our loan portfolio provides us with an excellent base for future growth."

CONTACT: Larry D. Brock, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, or Robert F. Stockwell, Chief Financial Officer, Security Financial Holding Company, 919-687-7200

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#90284p3933 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Dionex Corp. (NASDAQ: DNEX) today announced revenues and earnings for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the quarter were $20,551,000, a 9 percent increase over the $18,829,000 reported in the like period last year. Net income was $3,198,000, or $.37 per share, compared with net income of $3,336,000 or $.36 per share in the first quarter of last year. Net income and earnings per share reflect the company's ongoing stock repurchase program under which 599,000 shares of Dionex common stock were repurchased during the first quarter. Results for the quarter also reflect lower sales and higher operating expenses in Japan associated with the company's transition to a direct Japanese sales operation announced at the end of fiscal 1990.

Dionex Corp. is a leading manufacturer and marketer of chromatography systems for chemical analysis. The company's systems are used in environmental analysis and by the chemicals, petrochemicals, life sciences, power generation and electronics industries in a wide variety of applications.

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#90284p3934 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Dionex Corp. (NASDAQ: DNEX) today announced revenues and earnings for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

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A. Blaine Bowman, Dionex president and chief executive officer, commenting on these results said, "Sales growth in most international markets was strong and was further enhanced by the strengthening of major currencies against the U.S. dollar. As anticipated, sales in Japan during the first quarter were lower than those in the same period last year. However, both sales and expenses in Japan were near planned levels, and we are making good progress in our efforts to begin direct sales and servicing of our products in Japan.

"In North America, we continue to see difficult market conditions for chromatography and the macroeconomic environment is uncertain. As a result, we are somewhat guarded in our growth outlook for the remainder of fiscal 1991 but we remain committed to strengthening our role as a leader in the worldwide chromatography industry," concluded Bowman.

Dionex Corp. is a leading manufacturer and marketer of chromatography systems for chemical analysis. The company's systems are used in environmental analysis and by the chemicals, petrochemicals, life sciences, power generation and electronics industries in a wide variety of applications.

DIONEX CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(In thousands except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
	(Unaudited)	
Net Sales	$20,551	$18,829
Cost of Sales	6,908	6,474
Gross profit	13,643	12,355
Operating expenses:		
Selling, general and adminsitrative	7,671	6,622
Research and product development	1,931	1,662
Total operating expenses	9,602	8,284
Operating income	4,041	4,071
Interest income, net	879	1,141
Income before taxes on income	4,920	5,212
Taxes on income	1,722	1,876
Net income	$ 3,198	$ 3,336
Net income per common and equivalent share	$ .37	$ .36
Weighted average common and equivalent shares outstanding	8,645	9,189

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#90284p3941 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Hanson Industries today announced that it has advised its underwriters that it has decided not to proceed with the pricing of its secondary offering of Newmont Mining Corporation's (NYSE: NEM) common stock next week. The company attributed its decision to present market conditions and the decline of Newmont's stock price since Tuesday when Hanson announced it would proceed with its planned secondary offering. Hanson further stated that in addition to its option of proceeding with its secondary offering it would continue to explore other alternatives with regard to monetizing its investment in Newmont.

Any offering of the shares of Newmont common stock will only be made by means of a prospectus under the Securities Act of 1933.

Hanson PLC (NYSE: HAN) is a British-American industrial management corporation. In the U.S., Hanson Industries' operations include SCM Chemicals Peabody Coal, Jacuzzi, Grove Crane, Ames Tools, Universal Gym, Endicott Johnson and Frye Footwear, Hanson Lighting Group, Kaiser Cement, Weber Aircraft, Farberware Cookware, and Gold Fields Mining, among others.

In the United Kingdom, Hanson's holdings include Imperial Tobacco, Ever Ready Batteries, ARC Aggregates, London Brick, Butterley Brick, and Smith Meters.

CONTACT: Karen Levy of Hanson Industries, 212-826-0098

-30- 1523

#90284p3947 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern Mineral Corp. (NASDAQ: SMIN) announced today a cash dividend of $.10 per share payable Jan. 4, 1991 to stockholders of record on Dec. 19. The dividend declaration, which represents a 43 percent increase over last year, was made at a meeting of the company's board of directors on Oct. 10, 1990.

Southern Mineral Corp. is primarily an exploration company with production in the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas and Wyoming.

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-30- 735

#90284p3953 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Geriatric & Medical Centers, Inc. (NASDAQ: GEMC) today reported the filing of its audited financial statements, compliance with financial covenants in its loan agreements, and an 11.0 percent increase in net revenues for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990.

Net revenues for fiscal year 1990 increased to $128,623,000, compared with

$115,875,000 reported last year. Net income for the year was $6,228,000, or $.65 per share, compared with a net loss for fiscal 1989 of $8,761,000, or $.92 per share. Net non-operating income, primarily from the sale of facilities in fiscal 1990, was $10,479,000, compared with $4,269,000 in fiscal 1989. The results for fiscal 1990 include a charge of $1,300,000 related to expense provisions for additional reserves for Medicaid audit adjustments and a settlement of city business use and occupancy tax assessments.

Daniel Veloric, chairman and president of Geriatric & Medical Centers, stated, "Improvement in year-end operating results before interest is attributable to continued growth and profitability of the company's home care services segment and improved performance in our health care support services segment which resulted from higher reimbursement at our long-term care facilities and increased revenues from contract management services."

Veloric further stated, "As a result of an Oct. 9, 1990 settlement with the Commonwealth, the company will receive final and interim payments of approximately $3,500,000 related to its third-party receivables, and will pursue the collection and settlement of approximately $6.5 million of such receivables for fiscal years 1986 through 1990."

The company and the commonwealth reserved the right to contest, defend or appeal the $6.5 million of remaining issues, including $2.2 million presently under appeal by the company. As a result of the settlements with the commonwealth and the city, and a waiver from the company's primary lenders regarding non-compliance with certain financial reporting covenants in its loan agreements, the company has obtained audited financial statements for fiscal 1990. As previously reported, the commonwealth had sought audit adjustments to cost reports for fiscal years ended 1986 and 1987 which, if extended on the same basis to periods commencing after fiscal 1987, could have resulted in an adjustment to income of up to $10 million. The city business use and occupancy tax assessments also could have resulted in a charge to net income of up to approximately $2.1 million.

Geriatric & Medical Center, Inc. is a leading provider of home health care, as well as a supplier of health care management and support services to hospitals HMOs, physician groups and long-term care facilities in the mid-Atlantic region.

CONTACT: Robert F. Carfagno, senior VP-finance and CFO of Geriatric & Medical Centers, 215-748-8868, or Robert P. Borchert of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Geriatric & Medical Centers

-30- 3190

#90284p3955 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALISBURY, N.C. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Food Lion, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FDLN) is pleased to announce the latest unaudited sales information for the periods

ending Oct. 6, 1990 and Oct. 7, 1989 as follows:

Period Ending	Oct. 6, 1990	Oct. 7, 1989	Pct. Increase
4 Weeks	$438,932,936	$373,260,112	17.6 pct.
Year-to-date (40 weeks)	$4,233,801,435	$3,559,833,869	18.9 pct.
Number of Stores	740	625	

As of Oct. 6, 1990, Food Lion, Inc. was operating in eleven states, with principal locations in the Southeast. Same store sales increased 3.4 percent for the four weeks and 5.2 percent year-to-date. Sales increases in the current period were adversely impacted by extra sales in the same period last year as a result of Hurricane Hugo. In addition, the sluggish economy continues to impact sales.

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-30- 1133

#90284p3957 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The shareholders of Programming & Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: PSYS) today approved a two-for-one split of Programming and Systems, Inc.'s common stock for shareholders of record at the close of business Oct. 25, 1990. This action also increases the number of authorized shares from 5 million to 10 million and reduces the par value per share from 8 cents to 4 cents.

Certificates representing the new shares of common stock to which shareholders of record are entitled as a result of the split will be mailed to them on Nov. 9.

CONTACT: Alvin Lipoff, treasurer of Programming & Systems, 212-944-9200

-30- 788

#90284p3960 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Control Data Corporation announced today an agreement in principle to sell its VTC bipolar semiconductor operation to a VTC management team led by Larry E. Jodsaas, president of VTC, and Gregory A. Peterson, its vice president of finance. Closing is expected by the end of October. Terms were not disclosed.

The new company will continue to be known as VTC. It will have annual sales in excess of $30 million. Jodsaas will be chairman and chief executive officer of VTC, and Peterson will be vice president and chief financial officer.

Approximately one-half of VTC's workforce of 400 employees will become part of the new VTC. The bipolar operation will continue in its present facility in Bloomington, Minn.

The other half of VTC's workforce will remain with the high- performance CMOS integrated circuit operation. Control Data continues to support current CMOS customers and to actively pursue a buyer for this unit. It is speaking with several parties at this time. However, if a buyer cannot be found in the near future, the CMOS operation will be closed. Jodsaas will continue to manage the CMOS operation for Control Data.

Neither the sale of the VTC bipolar operation nor the sale or closure of the CMOS operation will have a material effect on Control Data's earnings. An adequate reserve was established in the fourth quarter of 1989 to cover expenses associated with these transactions.

Control Data is a provider of data solutions that integrate hardware, software and services to meet customers' complex collection, processing and communications needs. Its businesses include the Arbitron Company, Automated Wagering, Business Management Services, Computer Products, Data Services, Empros Systems International, Government Systems and Micrognosis.

CONTACT: Nancy J. Foltz of Control Data, 612-853-5229, or Jane Armstrong of VTC, 612-851-5222

-30- 2116

#90284p3970 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MI (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Old Kent Financial Corporation (OTC: OKEN) reported earnings of $22.5 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared to $21.9 million earned in the third quarter of 1989. Fully diluted net income per share was $.81 for the third quarter of 1990 compared to $.74 for the third quarter last year.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $66.9 million, an increase of 5.5 percent over the $63.4 million earned for the same period last year. Fully diluted net income per share was $2.38 for the first nine months of 1990 an 11.2-percent increase over the $2.14 earned during the first nine months of 1989.

Return on average equity was 15.27 percent for the third quarter of 1990 compared to 15.23 percent for the third quarter of 1989. Return on average assets was 1.13 percent compared to 1.08 percent for the same quarter last year. The net interest margin was 4.42 percent for the quarter compared to 4.05 percent for the third quarter of 1989.

Book value per share at Sept. 30, 1990, was $22.42 compared to $21.86 a year

ago.

The third quarter included a non-recurring pre-tax charge of $1.6 million relating to the consolidation of deposit service systems for all of the banks. This non-recurring expense reduced fully diluted net income per share by $.04. This consolidation will result in significant annual cost savings for the corporation.

John C. Canepa, chairman, president and CEO for Old Kent said: "We are very pleased to be able to report record earnings again this quarter. Considering the problems facing the banking industry today, we feel very good about the earnings performance of Old Kent." According to Canepa, Old Kent is fortunate to have banks located in markets with relatively stable economic environments.

Old Kent Financial Corporation is a bank holding company headquartered in Grand Rapids with 17 affiliate banks and 185 banking offices throughout Michigan, and four banks with 12 banking offices in Illinois. Old Kent reported total assets of $8.2 billion at Sept. 30, 1990.

OLD KENT FINANCIAL CORPORATION

EARNINGS DATA:	1990	1989	Percentage Change
Quarter ended Sept. 30:			
Net income	$22,493,000	$21,881,000	2.8%
Net income per share			
Primary	$.84	$.83	1.2%
Fully diluted	$.81	$.74	9.5%
Nine months ended Sept. 30:			
Net income	$66,898,000	$63,392,000	5.5%
Net income per share			
Primary	$2.52	$2.40	5.0%
Fully diluted	$2.38	$2.14	11.2%

BALANCE SHEET DATA:	1990	1989	Percentage Change
Balance at Sept. 30:			
Total loans	$5,286,524,000	$5,065,282,000	4.4%
Allowance for loan losses	$71,342,000	$64,476,000	10.6%
Total assets	$8,153,658,000	$8,154,417,000	---
Total deposits	$6,770,285,000	$6,847,400,000	(1.1)%
Total shareholders' equity	$596,485,000	$585,366,000	1.9%

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#90284p3972 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLANTATION, FLA. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Bernstein/Leibstone Associates, Inc.

(NASDAQ: BLAI) has announced the receipt of orders totaling $1,355,360 from affiliated blind workshops that it services through its textile sales division. These orders are for the production of approximately 788,000 yards of knitted material used in the manufacture of desert neckerchiefs to be completed over a four and a half month period.

"This activity is directly related to Operation Desert Shield," said William Leibstone, president and CEO. "It is anticipated that a follow up contract for similar quantities will be issued before this one is complete."

CONTACT: William Leibstone of Bernstein/Leibstone Associates, Inc., 305-474-2707

-30- 907

#90284p3979 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUDSON, N.H. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Howtek, Inc. (AMEX: HTK) today announced summary results of its operations for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company recorded third quarter revenues of $6,441,000, an increase of 33 percent over the $4,845,000 recorded in the same period in 1989 and an 11 percent increase over the $5,818,000 in revenues recorded in the previous quarter of this year. The company also announced third quarter profitability of $668,000, or 9 cents per share, vs. a loss of $260,000, or 4 cents per share for the same period in 1989. The company has achieved 11 consecutive quarters of increased sales and four consecutive quarters of increased profitability.

The company noted that sales of its electronic prepress system, COLORSCAN(R), increased signifcantly over sales recorded during the same period in 1989. The COLORSCAN system is currently the company's fastest growing product. During the quarter the company continued to strengthen its position in the domestic newspaper prepress market and expanded its international distribution channel with sales in the Far East and the Soviet Union. David Bothwell, the company's president, stated that "the color expertise and software algorithms developed in Howtek's peripherals business have provided a foundation for the significant growth opportunities for the COLORSCAN family of products in the 1990s."

The company also noted that during the quarter it began customer shipments of the PERSONAL COLOR SCANNER(tm), its new 300 dpi, 24 bit product. Priced at under $2,000 with the company's own imaging software and under $2,600 when bundled with Adobe Photoshop(tm), this product has set a new price performance standard. Sales of the SCANMASTER 3, the company's new 400 dpi color scanner continued to be strong in the quarter, contributing to the improvement of the company's overall profit margin.

Howtek was founded in 1984 by Robert Howard, who was also founder and president of Centronics Data Computer Corp. from 1969 to 1980. Howtek's

product offering includes: COLORSCAN, a complete prepress color separation and page make-up system for newspapers, publishers and graphic arts markets; SCANMASTER(tm), a series of reflective and transmissive copy and 35mm film scanners; and the PIXELMASTER(R), a full color plain paper high resolution solid inkjet printer. The company also offers workstations for design, composition, image capture and output, which operate interactively on local area networks incorporating various Howtek peripherals and proprietary software.

Howtek is a publicly held corporation whose stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol HTK.

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EL PASO, TEXAS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - El Paso Natural Gas Co. will redeem Dec. 1, 1990, $16,600,000 of its 12-7/8 percent Debentures due Dec. 1, 2002 through operation of the mandatory and optional sinking fund. The redemption price for the Debentures will be 100 percent of the principal amount of the Debentures together with accrued interest in the amount of $64.375 per $1,000 principal amount of Debentures redeemed. In addition, the company will redeem on Dec. 1, 1990, the remaining $75,200,000 aggregate principal amount of Debentures at a redemption price of 107.014 percent of the principal amount together with accrued interest in the amount of $64.375 per $1,000 principal amount of Debentures redeemed.

The Debentures to be redeemed on Dec. 1, 1990 through operation of the mandatory and optional sinking fund will be selected on a by lot basis in multiples of $1,000. The transfer books for all Debentures will be closed permanently as of the end of business on Oct. 21, 1990.

The redemption agent for the Debentures is Citibank, N.A., 120 Wall Street, New York, New York 10043.

El Paso Natural Gas Co. is a major interstate natural gas transmission firm and is a subsidiary of Seattle-based Burlington Resources, which has interests in energy and natural resources.

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EDEN PRAIRIE, MINN. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation announced today that it has filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy

Code. A. Dube, president and CEO, stated that the move was necessary to protect the company assets from adverse claims by Arthur Sims, former president and CEO, and lease claimants whose claims arose from the sale of the branch offices to Summit Solutions, Inc. Dube said that the action, while difficult, is necessary to protect the assets of the company in the best interests of the company's customers, suppliers, shareholders, debentureholders, and employees and that this is an action necessary to allow the company opportunity to implement its turnaround strategy.

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FARMINGTON HILLS, MICH. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Votrax, Inc. (NASDAQ: VOTX) announced today that Jack M. Gill, director, will assume interim duties as chairman of Votrax's board of directors and Walter Cunningham, director, will assume interim duties of president and chief executive officer effective Oct. 12, 1990.

Gill is the general partner and co-founder of Vanguard Associates, a private venture capital firm. He has been a director for the company since July 1987. Formerly, Gill was executive vice president and group manager of the Scientific Divisions of Spectra Physics, Inc. from 1978 through 1980. In 1970, Gill founded Autolab, which was sold to Spectra Physics in 1972. He is a member of the board of directors for Digital Microwave Corporation and Pacific Monolithics, Inc.

Cunningham joined the Votrax board of directors in August 1989. He is currently the managing general partner of The Genesis Fund, a private venture capital fund specializing in technology-oriented companies.

He has more than 30 years of management and high-technology experience including serving as a U.S. astronaut for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and chief of the Skylab Branch of the Astronaut Office. His experience also includes chief executive and other operating positions for a number of technical companies. Cunningham is a graduate of the University of California at Los Angeles (major: physics) and the Harvard School of Business.

"Due to their active involvement in the plans and strategies for the Votrax turnaround, it was natural that Jack M. Gill and Walter Cunningham would step in as interim chairman of the board and interim president and chief executive officer," respectively, a company spokesperson said. Cunningham is also leading the search effort to select a new president and chief executive officer.

Headquartered in Farmington Hills, Votrax is a leader in the industry with

more than 1,500 business communication systems installed worldwide. The company specializes in the development, manufacturing, marketing and distribution of interactive voice response systems.

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#90284p3997 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DULUTH, GA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Gwinnett Daily News formally dedicated its new $40 million office and printing facility in ceremonies here Thursday.

State and Gwinnett County officials and dignitaries gathered at the 148,000-square-foot facility located along Interstate 85 just south of Pleasant Hill Road for the dedication and reception.

Gwinnett Daily News Publisher, Tom Jones was joined by Georgia Gov. Joe Frank Harris; Arthur O. Sulzberger, chairman of the board of The New York Times Co.; Gwinnett County Chairman Lillian Webb and Daily News founder Robert D. Fowler in ribbon cutting ceremonies.

Sulzberger, who is also publisher of The New York Times, announced during the ceremonies that the Daily News would launch a major "reading is fundamental program" in Gwinnett County. A Daily News task force will work closely with local education leaders to shape the program and The New York Times Company Foundation will provide funds to assist in the program, Sulzberger said.

In welcoming remarks, Daily News Publisher Jones noted the occasion marked not only the dedication of the state-of-the-art facility, but the 25th anniversary of the Daily News.

"We believe our new building is actually a monument to the tremendous growth and progress Gwinnett County has enjoyed in the last decade. The Daily News is proud to have been part of Gwinnett's past for the last 25 years and we look forward to being in the vanguard of the county's bright future," Jones said.

Gov. Harris said the newspaper's growth -- to the fifth largest circulation daily in the state -- mirrors what's happening in Georgia. The Georgia governor said that Georgia will become a national story with major events including the Centennial Summer Olympic Games coming to the state.

He said the Daily News "will play a major role in how our city and state is perceived."

Sulzberger, the keynote speaker, said the new Gwinnett facility would allow the Daily news to better meet the needs of readers and advertisers.

He noted the "phenomenal" growth of the Daily News -- with daily circulation increasing by 89 percent daily and Sunday 51 percent -- since the Times Company made its acquisition in 1987.

Sulzberger said the Daily News circulation proves that people will buy a quality newspaper and that the day of the daily newspaper is far from over.

"Indeed, I hold that history will claim this era not to be that of electronic journalism, but rather of the reflowering of the daily printed work," he said.

Sulzberger noted, however, that literacy remains a critical problem for the nation.

"Too often we look upon our schools as some form of holding pen where kids can be parked for the day, rather than centers of education. And with that mentality, we fail to adequately recognize or compensate our teachers," the Times chairman said.

The new Gwinnett facility is located in the Hampton Green office park in Duluth and houses approximately 400 employees.

The move from Lawrenceville to the Duluth facility in January 1990 more than doubled the newspaper's production capacity. The new plant includes $13.3 million state-of-the-art Goss Colorliner presses. Only a handful are in operation in the United States.

The facility, located on 20 acres, was constructed by A.R. Weeks & Associates.

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#90284p3999 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - At the Interop '90 show here today, Interphase Corp. (NASDAQ: INPH) demonstrated its leadership in high performance, flexible FDDI (Fiber Distributed Data Interface) network control solutions with displays of new FDDI products and live FDDI product interoperability.

Interphase's new products include the fiberHUB 800 FDDI Concentrator, the V/FDDI 4211 Peregrine node processor for VMEbus with SMT (FDDI Sation Management) 6.1 on board, and the V/FDDI 4211 System Designer's Kit.

Interphase also displayed the V/FDDI 4211 Peregrine running FDDI over shielded twisted pair, using technology licensed from SynOptics Communications Inc. Interphase plans to provide support for FDDI twisted pair in future versions of its high-performance network control solutions.

The new fiberHUB 800 FDDI concentrator enables high speed networking among a variety of computing devices across the most widely used type of FDDI more efficiently as compute engine.

Other products on display in the Interphase booth include high performance node controllers for Token-Ring networking, and SCSI (Small Computer Systems Interface) host bus adapters for EISA (Extended Industry Standard Architecture) or VMEbus-based computers.

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#90284p4001 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Nevada Power Company (NYSE: NVP) today announced that its board of directors has adopted a stockholder rights plan designed to assure that all Nevada Power Company stockholders would receive fair and equal treatment in any takeover of the company and to protect stockholders from partial tender offers and other abusive takeover tactics to gain control of the company without paying all stockholders a fair price. The plan provides for the distribution of one right for each share of common stock outstanding on Oct. 25, 1990.

The rights plan provides that in the event any person becomes the beneficial owner of 10 percent or more of the outstanding common shares, each right (other than a right held by the 10 percent stockholder) will be exercisable on and after the close of business on the 10th business day following such event, to purchase Nevada Power common shares having a market value equal to two times the then current exercise price (initially $58).

The plan further provides that if, on or after the occurrence of such event, the company is merged into any other corporation or 50 percent or more of the company's assets or earning power are sold, each right (other than a right held by the 10 percent shareholder) will be exercisable to purchase common shares of the acquiring corporation having a market value equal to two times the exercise price.

The rights expire on Oct. 21, 2000 and are subject to redemption by the board of directors at $.01 per right at any time prior to the first date upon which they become exercisable to purchase common shares. The rights are also subject to exchange by the board of directors for common shares and/or other securities at any time after the first date upon which that become exercisable to purchase common shares.

Nevada Power Company will provide stockholders with further details of the rights plan by letter. Nevada Power supplies electricity to 338,000 customers in most of Clark County, which includes metropolitan Las Vegas.

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#90284p4010 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Amtech Corp. (NASDAQ: AMTC) announced today that it had agreed with Siemens AG and Alcatel N.V. through subsidiaries to work together on systems to identify and locate moving vehicles, with emphasis on railway applications. Such systems are used for automatic train control, to improve the tracking of freight shipments, and for other applications which improve the efficiency of equipment utilization and customer service levels by railways. Amtech's radio frequency identification technologies, which allow accurate identification of and communication with tagged vehicles or other objects at high speeds and in harsh industrial environments, will be the basis of the systems.

The agreement comes at a time when the Union Internationale des Chemins de Fer (UIC) is finalizing a European standard for automatic identification (AEI) of rail wagons. Additionally, the AEI committee of the Association of American Railroads approved a North American standard based on Amtech technologies in Sept. 1990. Amtech also has an ongoing agreement with the Societe Nationale des Chemins de Fer (SNCF), the French national railway, for development of advanced radio frequency identification products for the French rail network.

Pursuant to the agreement announced today, Siemens, Alcatel and AMtech will collaborate on a common technical solution compatible with the UIC Standard and based on Amtech technologies. They also agreed to enter into formal discussions leading to the manufacture of such systems in Europe.

Siemens and two of the Alcatel units, Stuttgart-based Alcatel SEL (Standard Elektrik Lorenz AG) and Alcatel Austria, are each world leaders in the field of electronic systems for transportation industries. Paris-based Alcatel TITN ANSWARE is a leader in applications software and software systems networks. Amtech and its subsidiaries Amtech SARL (France) and Amtech B.V. (The Netherlands), provide radio frequency identification products for transportation industries worldwide.

Amtech Corp. designs, manufactures, markets and supports a line of hardware and software products and related services involving radio frequency electronic identification technology. The company's proprietary technology permits the remote identification of trucks, automobiles, rail cars, intermodal containers and other trasportation equipment. Amtech's products are currently marketed to the electronic toll and revenue collection, intermodal transportation, rail transportation, vehicle fleet management and access control, and air freight industries.

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#90284p4017 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - First Federal Capital Corp. (NASDAQ: FTFC) announced today that it intended to take various actions pursuant to an aggressive effort to reduce problem assets. The anticipated actions include write-downs and increased loan loss provisions on various loans and investments in real estate which are intended to reduce the carrying value of such assets to fair market value under current economic conditions. Substantially all of these write-downs and provisions relate to previously disclosed loans and investments in real estate and are in certain cases reflective of current negotiations relating to the potential sale of these assets.

Thomas W. Schini, president and chief executive officer of the company, stated that "although exact amount of the write-downs and provisions has not yet been determined and could be affected by current efforts to dispose of certain assets, we anticipated that they will approximate $8 million on a pre-tax basis and that the quarterly loss will be approximately $7 million. These actions, in combination with the decisions in the previous quarter to substantially increase the Company's general reserves for loans and real estate losses, are intended to anticipate actions that likely would have been necessary in future quarters as the company seeks to reduce its problem assets. Throughout this process, our emphasis is to raise shareholder value over the long term by minimizing asset quality concerns, thereby improving the quality and predictability of our earnings. Future earnings will be further enhanced by tax benefit carry-forwards derived from this course of action." Schini further noted that the company's banking subsidiary, First Federal Savings Bank La Crosse-Madison, "would continue to be in compliance with all currently applicable regulatory capital requirements after the quarterly results, and should, as well, meet all such requirements which are scheduled to be phased-in in future years." Regulatory limitations, however, will prevent the Bank from paying dividends to stockholders, until such time as the Bank meets regulatory requirements for dividend distribution.

First Federal Savings Bank La Cross-Madison conducts business from its headquarters and main office in LA Crosse, Wis. and 22 consumer banking offices and four loan origination facilities in western and south central Wisconsin.

CONTACT: Bob Rousey of First Federal Capital Corp., 608-784-8000

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#90284p4019 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Johnson Products Co. Inc. (AMEX: JPC) announced that its previously announced reverse stock split will be presented for shareholder approval at the company's annual meeting which is scheduled

for Dec. 12, 1990.

The stock split is structured as a one-for-ten reverse stock split followed by a three-for-one forward stock split. Eric G. Johnson, president and chief executive officer of Johnson Products explained, ''This structure was chosen in order to give the greatest number of shareholders the opportunity to dispose of their shares without incurring transaction costs, while allowing the company to reduce its related administrative cost. This structure should not impact the company's listing on the American Stock Exchange.''

In lieu of issuing fractional shares resulting from the proposed reverse stock split, the company will pay cash based on the closing price the day prior to the annual meeting, but in no event less than $2.75 which was the closing price on May 23, 1990, when the company's board of directors announced that it was recommending a reverse stock split to the company's shareholders. The company estimates that the reverse stock split will reduce the numbers of shareholders from approximately 1,440 to 1,180.

Johnson Products manufactures and markets hair care and cosmetic products, domestically and internationally, under such leading brand names as Gentle-Treatment, Ultra Sheen, Sta-Sof-Fro, and Sof N' Free.

Johnson Products is a publicly-traded company listed on the American Stock Exchange under the trading symbol ''JPC.''

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#90284p4020 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Elcor Corp. (NYSE: ELK) today reported lower earnings on virtually flat sales for its first quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990. The company also indicated that results for its seasonally slower second quarter could be lower than the same period last year.

Roy E. Campbell, president, said, "Increased earnings from premium laminated fiberglass asphalt shingles and licensing of cryogenic patents were offset by lower results from concrete tile roofing products and industrial products during the company's first quarter. In addition, earnings in last year's first quarter benefited from nonrecurring income received from payment of a patent infringement award."

FIRST QUARTER RESULTS For the first quarter ending September 30, 1990, sales were $43,345,000 compared with $43,443,000 a year ago. Income before extraordinary item of $570,000, or 8 cents per share, was down from $2,197,000 or 31 cents per share, and net income of $864,000, or 12 cents per share, was down from $3,328,000, or 47 cents per share, last year. Net income this year included a tax loss carryforward extraordinary item of $294,000, or 4 cents

per share, compared to $1,131,000, or 16 cents per share, in the year-ago quarter. First quarter earnings last year included payment of a patent infringement award of about $1.6 million before tax, or 15 cents per share income before extraordinary item, and 23 cents per share net income.

Long-term debt of $44.5 million was up from $36.5 million in the year-ago quarter, primarily as a result of increased working capital to enhance service and support record shipments of Elk Prestique(R) premium laminated fiberglass asphalt shingles. Long-term debt, however, declined $2 million from June 30, 1990, and is expected to show a further seasonal decline at Dec. 31, 1990.

OPERATIONS Campbell said, "Roofing products sales rose 5 percent as a result of record demand for our Elk Prestique premium laminated fiberglass asphalt shingles, offset in part by lower sales of Gory concrete roof tile. Asphalt roofing prices increased in the September quarter from the June quarter and were higher than the year-ago September quarter. Price increases were implemented on Sept. 1, 1990, and Oct. 1, 1990, and we have informed our customers that a further price increase is planned for Nov. 1, 1990. These price increases should cover actual and anticipated cost increases for asphalt and transportation."

Campbell continued, "Demand for Gory roof tile has slowed since last October, as new construction starts have declined in the southern Florida area. As a result, sales in this year's first quarter were well below the much higher level a year ago. Sales are expected to remain soft until the Florida residential housing market improves. Until then, some operating losses are likely for Gory. We are cutting costs to reduce the impact on earnings.

"Industrial Products sales decreased about 22 percent from the year- ago level primarily from lower sales of Mosley solid waste balers and recycling equipment. Based on orders in hand, Mosley sales, however, should show a good pickup in the second quarter. Chromium Corp.'s sales were also lower, and both units had an operating loss during the quarter. We are focusing efforts on the changes needed to improve results as the year progresses.

"Increasing demand from major American and Japanese computer manufacturers for Chromium's Conductive Coatings Compushield(TM) protective finishes should benefit fiscal 1991 second-half results. In addition, higher oil prices should stimulate consulting and patent licensing opportunities for Ortloff Engineers, Ltd.," Campbell said.

LOOKING AHEAD "At the present time, the situation with Iraq and the lack of a federal budget resolution are creating significant economic uncertainties. In this environment, it is difficult to forecast the potential impact of these unknowns on all of our businesses. With our moving into a seasonally slower second quarter, we expect that earnings may be lower than the year-ago quarter and we could have a loss during the quarter. Although we are focusing on areas to improve our operating results, we will continue new product

development efforts needed to expand our sales and profit opportunities. We expect second-half results should benefit from the growing sales of new products," Campbell concluded.

Results of operations for the three months and trailing 12 months ending Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, are as follows:

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - CCAIR, Inc. doing business as USAir Express (NASDAQ-NMS: CCAR) announced today that its Board of Directors has approved a management proposal to maximize profitability of the Company's route system, which will go into effect on November 1, 1990. The plan includes a reduction in the number of planes leased by the Company and the elimination of approximately 25 percent of the Company's 670 personnel. Company representatives discussed the company's plans in meetings with USAir officials earlier in the week.

The company also announced that a Search Committee, composed of two Board members, was formed to interview candidates to fill the position of President to oversee day-to-day operations and the continued improvement in operations afforded by the reorganization plan initiated by Roy H. Hagerty, Chairman and President of CCAIR.

CCAIR, under contract with USAir, provides regularly scheduled air service between Charlotte, North Carolina and 23 cities in North and South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia. The downsizing plan reduces the frequency of daily scheduled flights in 16 of the 23 cities. Mr. Hagerty emphasized that the regional airline will continue to provide service to all of the markets it now serves and has eliminated only scheduled flights with minimal profitability. CCAIR's current flight schedule of 230 departures will be reduced to 175 departures on November 1, 1990.

Presently, CCAIR operates 29 turboprop planes. The plan provides that on November 1, 1990 seven of those planes will be taken out of service and returned to the Company's lessors. These are in addition to two planes that were decommissioned recently and returned on October 1, 1990.

On July 5, 1990, CCAIR filed a bankruptcy petition under Chapter 11 in Charlotte. Mr. Hagerty stated, "The downsizing plan adopted by the Board of Directors forms the basis of our reorganization plan which we feel confident will be favorably received.

"The Chapter 11 bankruptcy process demands a great deal of time and attention of top management," said Mr. Hagerty. "Bringing in another experienced

operating executive will position us well to get through that process and to lay plans for future growth and profitability."

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#90284p4029 10/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Boeing Commercial Airplanes and Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Co. today agreed to a new contract through June 1995, that will extend Lockheed's current sheet metal contract as well as add new work in spar chord and small assembly production.

"Our close relationship with Boeing goes back to the 1950s when we were building B-47s in our Marietta factory," said LASC Executive Vice President Bard Allison. "They are a super company to work for, and we hope to perform as their subcontractor for years to come."

In announcing the contract, Boeing Vice President of Materiel Jim Blue said his company has been very satisfied with the work performed thus far by LASC.

"They have a proven track record in producing quality parts on time," Blue said. "We know we can depend on Lockheed, and we are pleased to be able to expand the work they are performing for us."

Manufacture of the 737 spar chords involves complex machining operations and will be done in LASC's unique long parts processing facility. The parts will be machined on modern, highly automated long bed gantry profilers recently installed by the company. These machines, with four multi-axis cutting heads operating simultaneously, are ideally suited for production of 737 spar chords.

The contract also calls for assembly of small parts for 747 and 767 aircraft.

Over the past two years, LASC has produced more than 1 million sheet metal parts for all Boeing's 700-series aircraft under the current contract. More than 10,000 different parts are identified for possible production, with an average volume of 600,000 parts being produced annually.

No value was given for the contract.

CONTACT: Doug Oliver of Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Co., 404-494-2701

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MOSCOW (OCT 11) TASS - A NEW MOTTO -- THE PRESS AND OTHER MEDIA ARE FREE -- HAS REPLACED THE NOTORIOUS "WORKERS OF THE WORLD, UNITE" ON THE FRONT COVER OF THE SOVIET MAGAZINE "ZHURNALIST".

THE MAGAZINE EDITORS BELIEVE THAT AS THE MULTI-PARTY PRESS IS TAKING SHAPE IN THE SOVIET UNION, THE PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATION HAS NO RIGHT TO AFFILIATE ITSELF TO ANY ONE PARTY. IT INTENDS TO MAINTAIN AN IMPARTIAL AND INDEPENDENT OUTLOOK.

THE MAGAZINE'S CHIEF TASK IS TO HELP READERS FIND THEIR OWN WAY IN THE OVERWHELMING STREAM OF CONTRADICTORY INFORMATION.

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#90284t3359 10/11/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (OCT 11) TASS - THE SOVIET PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC PROGRAMME ENVISAGES CUTTING BY THREE TIMES THE ROUBLE'S EXCHANGE RATE VIS-A-VIS THE U.S. DOLLAR, MAKING EACH DOLLAR WORTH 1.8 ROUBLES, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE USSR STATE FOREIGN ECONOMIC COMMISSION IVAN IVANOV TOLD THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE FOR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF UNION AND AUTONOMOUS REPUBLICS TODAY.

THE COMMITTEE CONSIDERED THE GOVERNMENT BILL ON CURRENCY REGULATION WHICH WILL SOON BE SUBMITTED TO PARLIAMENT FOR CONSIDERATION.

ACCORDING TO IVANOV, THE NEW EXCHANGE RATE WILL BE INTRODUCED BY PRESIDENTIAL DECREE. EARLIER THIS WEEK, CHAIRMAN OF THE USSR GOSBANK BOARD VIKTOR GERASHCHENKO ANNOUNCED THAT "THE NEW ROUBLE'S EXCHANGE RATE FOR FOREIGN TRADE OPERATIONS WOULD AMOUNT TO ABOUT TWO ROUBLES A DOLLAR, STARTING THIS YEAR".

THE NEW EXCHANGE RATE IS EXPECTED TO MAKE EXPORTS MORE PROFITABLE FOR SOVIET PRODUCERS AND FACILITATE THE STREAMLINING AND RESTRICTION OF IMPORTS, WHICH HAVE BEEN GROWING RAPIDLY SINCE SOVIET ENTERPRISES WERE GRANTED THE RIGHT OF FREE ACCESS TO THE FOREIGN MARKET.

ASKED HOW THE NEW EXCHANGE RATE WAS ARRIVED AT, IVANOV SAID THE ROUBLE'S PURCHASE CAPACITY WAS ASSESSED TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE ENTIRE RANGE OF SOVIET EXPORT COMMODITIES. THE CALCULATIONS WERE MADE ON THE BASIS OF NEW WHOLESALE PRICES, WHICH THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT WORKED OUT IN THE SPRING AND ASKED PARLIAMENT TO MAKE EFFECTIVE FROM JANUARY 1, 1991.

IN MAY, THE PARLIAMENT REJECTED THE GOVERNMENT PLAN FOR THE TRANSITION TO A MARKET, SAYING THE PLAN WAS CENTERED AROUND HIGHER PRICES AND ENVISAGED NO COMPREHENSIVE MARKET MECHANISM.

IVANOV NOTED THAT THE ROUBLE'S EXCHANGE RATE FOR SOVIET AND FOREIGN CITIZENS WILL REMAIN AT THE PRESENT LEVEL OF SIX ROUBLES PER ONE U.S. DOLLAR.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
New Jersey	2	1	1	5	15	13
Pittsburgh	2	1	0	4	17	12
NY Rangers	2	2	0	4	17	14
Washington	1	2	0	2	12	15
Philadelphia	1	2	0	2	11	7
NY Islanders	1	2	0	2	7	10

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	4	0	0	8	20	6
Montreal	2	0	1	5	14	11
Hartford	2	1	1	5	15	17
Quebec	1	2	1	3	14	20
Buffalo	0	2	1	1	11	13

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	2	1	0	4	11	9
St. Louis	2	1	0	4	9	10
Detroit	1	2	1	3	15	21
Minnesota	1	3	0	2	7	14
Toronto	0	4	0	0	9	22

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	3	1	0	6	16	12
Edmonton	2	0	0	4	4	2
Los Angeles	2	1	0	4	13	9
Winnipeg	1	3	0	2	12	10
Vancouver	1	2	0	2	10	12

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#90284u0125 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (OCT. 11) UPI - The shuttle Discovery appears to be in good shape after its ground-shaking launch and fiery re-entry, officials say, setting the stage for launch of the shuttle Atlantis next month on a military mission.

Discovery and its five-man crew glided to a picture-perfect Mojave Desert touchdown Wednesday to close out a four-day mission highlighted by the successful deployment of the European-built Ulysses probe on a $750 million voyage to study the uncharted poles of the sun.

NASA officials said the 36th shuttle mission was near perfect, a morale-boosting success after a long summer of setbacks, repeated delays and constant criticism over problems with the Hubble Space Telescope and other agency programs.

''I'm elated. It's been a long, hot summer ..., and it's nice to be back flying again,'' shuttle program director Robert Crippen said. ''It is a high day for us.''

He said Discovery appeared to have come through the 1.7 million-mile mission in excellent shape with only a handful of minor ''dings'' to its fragile heat-shield tile system. A more thorough assessment was expected Thursday.

Discovery's flight was NASA's first in more than five months because of elusive hydrogen fuel leaks that grounded the shuttles Columbia and Atlantis in May, July and September. Atlantis has since been repaired, but Columbia remains grounded.

If all goes well, Atlantis will be hauled to launch pad 39A at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida starting at midnight EDT Thursday for work to ready the ship for blastoff around Nov. 7 on a secret military mission.

Columbia, meanwhile, will be subjected to more tests to pinpoint the hydrogen fuel leak that has grounded the ship all summer.

Atlantis was damaged last week when a 70-pound, 9-foot-long beam fell through the ship's engine room as the ship was hoisted into the vertical launch position. But Crippen said Wednesday repairs are not expected to delay the mission.

In the meantime, NASA officials celebrated the successful conclusion of Discovery's mission.

Commander Richard ''Dick'' Richards and co-pilot Robert Cabana were at the controls as Discovery dropped out of the Mojave Desert dawn and gracefully glided to a smooth touchdown on concrete runway 22 at 6:57 a.m. PDT.

''Wheels stopped, Houston,'' Richards radioed mission control after the black-and-white spaceship rolled to a standstill.

''Copy, wheels stopped, Discovery. The rest of your team is glad to have you back (and) to have the fastest man-made object in the universe well on its way '' said astronaut Brian Duffy from Houston, referring to Ulysses. ''Congratulations on a picture-perfect mission.''

Richards, 44, Cabana, 41, William Shepherd, 41, Bruce Melnick, 40, and Thomas Akers, 39, flew back to Houston Wednesday afternoon. Before leaving, Richards

took a moment to express his views about NASA's recent problems.

''Like any great team, occasionally there are losing streaks and I've thought over the last few months that's what NASA has been going through,'' Richards told supporters at Edwards.

''But the fact that we launched on time, the right way - the safe way - and got everything done, I think today is the day we can say this losing streak is over and we're going to go on and do great things in the future.''

Earlier, Crippen echoed Richards sentiments, telling reporters, ''If you criticize our mistakes then you must also acknowledge our successes. And the mission of Discovery for the Ulysses deployment was indeed a success.''

Richards and company accomplished the primary goal of the flight when they successfully deployed the European Space Agency's Ulysses probe Saturday on a $750 million flight over the poles of the sun. A three- stage rocket then boosted the probe away from Earth at a record velocity of 34,130 mph.

Ulysses is not equipped with a camera and its orbit will never carry it closer than about 120 million miles to the sun but its instruments will give astronomers their first three-dimensional glimpse of Earth's star, its complex magnetic field and the tenuous solar wind.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

NL PLAYOFFS

No games scheduled

BOXING

SUPER LIGHTWEIGHTS

Las Vegas, Nev. - Roger Mayweather vs. Mike Johnson

GOLF

Las Vegas, Nev. - $1.3 million Las Vegas Invitational

HOCKEY

New Jersey at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.
Boston at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.

Edmonton at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Berlin - $300,000 Men's Berlin tournament
Tokyo - $1 million Seiko Super tournament
Zurich, Switzerland - $350,000 European Ladies Indoors

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(OCT. 10) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Atlanta - Named John Schuerholz general manager and executive vice president.

California - Released catcher Bill Schroeder; assigned catcher Ron Tingley to Edmonton of the Pacific Coast League (AAA); purchased contracts of infielder Chris Cron and outfielder Mark Davis from Edmonton and pitcher David Martinez from Midland of the Texas League (AA).

Cleveland - Removed pitchers Colin Charland and Colby Ward from the 40-man roster.

Kansas City - Named Spencer ''Herk'' Robinson executive vice president and general manager.

Pittsburgh - Rehired coaches Gene Lamont, Tommy Sandt, Ray Miller, Milt May, Rich Donnelly and Bruce Kimm for next season.

San Francisco - Rehired coaches Bob Lillis, Bill Fahey, Norm Sherry, Dusty Baker and Wendell Kim, trainers Mark Letendre and Greg Lynn and conditioning consultant Mackie Shilstone; reinstated pitcher Jose Alvarez from the disabled list; assigned pitcher Paul McClellan to Phoenix of the Pacific Coast League (AAA).

Toronto - Promoted scouts Bob Engle and Wayne Morgan.

BASKETBALL

Charlotte - Signed guard Kendall Gill.

LA Lakers - Announced Bill Sharman rejoined club as a special consultant.

Philadelphia - Released guards Luther Burks, Boo Harvey and Carlton McKinney and forwards Mario Butler and Dean Kriebel.

Seattle - Signed guard Gary Payton to a 5- year contract.

COLLEGE

Incarnate Word College - Named John Newman associate tennis coach.

Miami - Joined Big East Conference.

St. Joseph's (N.Y.) - Named Charles Sullivan men's basketball coach.

South Carolina - Suspended wide receiver Carl Platt for the rest of the season for unspecified rules violations.

FOOTBALL

Cleveland - Waived fullback Barry Redden; signed receiver Eugene Rowell to the practice roster; waived defensive end Charles Freeman from the practice roster.

Dallas - Agreed to terms with defensive lineman Mitch Willis.

World League - Named Mike Lynn president.

HOCKEY

Chicago - Acquired center Martin Desjardins from Montreal for future considerations; assigned Desjardins to Indianapolis of the International Hockey League.

Global Hockey League - Named Charles Hodgins president, Richard Gerry president, Dennis Murphy executive vice president, Joe Bucchino scouting director and Marc Cloutier marketing director.

New Jersey - Bought out the contract of Steve Rooney, making him an unconditional free agent; returned Jason Miller to Medicine Hat of the Western Hockey League and Jarrod Skalde to Oshowa of the Ontario Hockey League.

Winnipeg - Sent goaltender Bob Essensa to Moncton of the American Hockey League.

SOCCER

Cleveland (MSL) - Signed forward Mike Sweeney.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - Tropical Storm Marco aimed its 65-mile-an-hour fury at the Gulf coast of Florida Wednesday night. Forecasters say the storm is expected

to come ashore between Fort Myers and Sarasota sometime during the night ... bringing much-needed rain to the central part of the drought-stricken state. At last report, Marcos was 35 miles southwest of Fort Myers and moving northeast at 10 miles-an-hour. .

The National Hurricane Center in Miami is also keeping an eye on Hurricane Lili, which appears to be headed for Bermuda. The latest report placed Lili about 450 miles east of Bermuda and moving west at near 20 miles-an-hour. Its top winds were clocked at 75 miles-an-hour... one mile an hour above the hurricane threshhold.

A planeload of Westerners... mostly Americans... is on its way to London. The State Department says the chartered jetliner left Baghdad, Iraq, Wednesday evening with 378 women and children aboard who had been trapped in Kuwait. The airlift is the 10th of Western hostages since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait... and the first in more than two weeks. The flight will continue on to Raleigh, North Carolina, Thursday.

In South Africa, 21 political prisoners were freed Wednesday. It's the largest mass release of convicted members of the African National Congress since the government lifted a 30-year ban on the movement in February, and ordered black leader Nelson Mandela freed. Following Wednesday's releases, the A-N-C demanded the immediate release of all its members being held for politically motivated crimes.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - Congressional and other sources in Washington confirm a report that Pakistan tried at least three times this year through intermediaries to buy high-tech furnaces that can be used to make nuclear weapons. One source says the New Jersey company that makes the furnaces rebuffed the intermediaries... telling them to go ''fly a kite.''

More signs of perestroika. The New York Stock Exchange signed an agreement Wednesday with the Soviet Union to help the country set up financial markets. N-Y-S-E Chairman John Phelan says details have NOT been worked out. And Soviet officials concede that much must change before Moscow establishes a stock exchange. For example, there is 70 years of communist teaching that ''profit'' is a dirty word... that must be overcome.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - Forecasters warn that Tropical Storm Marco may spawn tornadoes as it moves across central Florida. The storm and its 65-mile-an-hour winds... centered 30 miles west of Fort Myers... are expected to move ashore somewhere between Fort Myers and Sarasota by daybreak. In

addition to tropical storm warnings along the Gulf coast, warnings have been posted for the east coast of Florida from Vero Beach northward to Fernandina Beach.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says President Bush will meet with key congressional Republicans Thursday. Fitzwater says the meeting will take place at the White House, where he says Bush primarily will listen to what lawmakers have to say about the budget. He says he DOESN'T think the president will take a stand ''one way or the other'' on the divisive combination of higher tax rates for the rich, and capital gains cuts.

Congress got down to brass tacks Wednesday as it began filling in the specifics in the budget agreement passed earlier. The House Ways and Means Committee O-K'd a deficit-reduction plan that would cut Medicare 10-BILLION dollars less than was proposed by the bipartisan budget summit. It would also raise gasoline taxes a penny less than was proposed. .

In the Senate, lawmakers killed a proposed cut in Social Security taxes Wednesday. The rejection followed a warning that the reduction would deny the national treasury more than 150-BILLION dollars in revenues and would virtually torpedo any budget agreement.

Iraq's ambassador to the United States says if the standoff in the Persian Gulf escalates into war, it will be a ''catastrophe''... with American interests worldwide suffering. The diplomat attended a forum Wednesday night sponsored by a Middle eastern students group at Harvard law School in Cambridge, Massachusetts. It was his first trip outside Washington since Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2nd.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 11) UPI - Desperate for a life-saving win, the Pittsburgh Pirates pulled it off with a desperate double play Wednesday night.

With defeat meaning elimination from the National League playoffs, Pittsburgh preserved a 3-2 victory over Cincinnati with a ninth inning, bases-jammed, game-ending double play that was as gritty, difficult and intense as one would ever see.

''That's as exciting as it gets,'' Pittsburgh's Andy Van Slyke said.

With one out in the ninth and Reds hugging all three bases, Jeff Reed cracked a chopper to the left of third baseman Bobby Bonilla. As Paul O'Neill darted from third toward home with the potential tying run and Eric Davis took off from second with the potential winning run, Bonilla lunged to his left and barely managed to spear the ball.

Bonilla fired to second baseman Jose Lind, who uncorked a relay throw to stretching Sid Bream to complete the game-saving double play.

''Once I got the ball to Chico (Lind), I knew we had a chance,'' Bonilla said. ''Chico gets everything and Sid always has a good stretch.''

Pittsburgh Manager Jim Leyland said: ''Our guys played their tails off. Now we'll see what happens.''

What happens now is that the clubs return to Cincinnati for a sixth game Friday night and, if needed, a decisive Game 7 Saturday night. Despite Pittsburgh's desperate win Wednesday night, the odds still favor the Reds, who enjoy a 3-2 game edge.

''We're in a little better shape than Pittsburgh is,'' Reds Manager Lou Piniella said. ''We're going back home to Cincinnati. We've got to win one. They've got to win two. Certainly the odds are in our favor.''

Van Slyke said the Pirates ''look at this very simply - all we have to do is go out and win two in a row. It's not that tough. We've done that a few times this year.

''We still feel we can win this playoff. I want to let everyone know that this team has not given up.''

Van Slyke and fellow sluggers Bonilla and Bobby Bonds have been unproductive for most of the playoffs. But Van Slyke may finally have gotten started Wednesday night with a pair of hits, including an RBI triple that keyed a two-run first inning.

''The longer this series goes on, the better all three of us will feel,'' Van Slyke said. ''If all three of us can get one hit consecutively, then you might start seeing the real Bonds, Bonilla and Van Slyke. When you lose three in a row in the playoffs, it's hard for any ballclub to have passion and fire. Maybe tonight will rekindle our fire.''

Pittsburgh starter Doug Drabek drenched the Reds' fire most of Wednesday night. A 22-game winner during the regular season, Drabek limited Cincinnati to just three hits and no earned runs the first seven innings before tiring in the eighth and ninth, when he gave up four hits and an earned run.

Drabek, who retired 13 straight batters between the first and fifth innings, struck out Reds' cleanup hitter Eric Davis three of the four times he faced him.

''This is definitely the biggest game of my life so far,'' Drabek said. ''It was do-or-die tonight. We got a complete team effort and that's what we're going to need more of in Cincinnati. Maybe we need to scratch out some runs

instead of waiting for the big inning.''

Cincinnati appeared headed for a big inning in the ninth Wednesday night until stopped suddenly by the double play.

The Reds, who had trailed 3-1 since the fourth inning, pulled within 3-2 in the eighth and opened strong in the ninth on singles by O'Neill and Davis. The runners advanced a base on a sacrifice bunt by Hal Morris and Bob Patterson relieved Drabek.

After Chris Sabo was intentionally walked to load the bases with one out, Reed hit his bounder to Bonilla's left.

''Bobby made the correct decision to go for the double play,'' Leyland said. ''He was to throw home if the ball was hit straight at him and to try for the double play if it was to his left.''

Bonilla, who played third base most of last year, played just 14 games there this season. He was at third Wednesday night only because Jeff King had to be scratched before the game with back problems.

''He hasn't played third too much this year, but he did his job tonight,'' Leyland said. ''He made a great play and as a result, we're still in it.''

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(OCT. 11) UPI - A fugitive ex-Border Patrol agent has been nabbed in New Zealand. The F-B-I in Phoenix, Arizona, says 43-year-old Gary Callahan disappeared in July while awaiting trial on cocaine trafficking charges. He was tracked by the F-B-I and Interpol to New Zealand, where he was arrested Wednesday while trying to buy a yacht to leave the country. U-S authorities say extradition proceedings have begun.

It's apparently safe again to drink coffee. In the latest twist in a nearly 30-year debate over the health effects of coffee, a Harvard School of Public Health study of more than 45-thousand men found NO evidence that coffee boosts the risk of heart disease or stroke. The new findings contrast with a California study that found heavy coffee consumption increases the heart attack risk by 40 percent.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - Goaltenders Tim Cheveldae and Mike Richter stole victories for the Detroit Red Wings and New York Rangers Wednesday night with spectacular saves.

Cheveldae robbed the Calgary Flames in overtime, keeping the Red Wings alive until Bob Probert scored with 54 seconds remaining to lift Detroit to a 6-5 victory, the team's first of the season.

Lee Norwood and Shawn Burr scored goals in the last 2:39 of regulation for Detroit to force overtime. Burr deflected a shot by Steve Chiasson with only 58 seconds left in regulation. But the Flames went on a power play when Chiasson was called for high-sticking with six seconds left in the third.

Cheveldae made four saves while the Flames had a man advantage in overtime, including a glove stop on old rival Theoren Fleury, who was camped at the side of the net.

''He's scored enough big goals on me all through minor hockey,'' Cheveldae said. ''I played against him in bantam, midget and juniors. It's about time I took one away from him.''

Calgary Coach Doug Risebrough agreed that the save on Fleury was a key.

''We had our chances in overtime,'' Risebrough said. ''Fleury's chance was a major miss.''

Joe Nieuwendyk scored a pair of goals for the Flames.

At New York, Richter stopped 40 shots to lead the Rangers to a 4-2 victory over the Washington Capitals. Washington outshot New York 42-17 but Richter kept his team in the game, stopping the first 11 shots by the Capitals before the Rangers took a 1-0 lead on their first shot of the game, a power-play goal by Darren Turcotte.

''Richter was the reason they won. He's arrived,'' Capitals Coach Terry Murray said.

''We were not playing with the necessary intensity,'' Richter said. ''You could feel the two points slipping away.''

Turcotte, filling in for injured center Kelly Kisio on the line with John Ogrodnick and Brian Mullen, keyed the offense. He scored two goals and assisted on another.

Turcotte's second of the game, a short-handed goal at 10:47 of the third period, gave the Rangers a 3-2 lead. Turcotte slipped past the Capitals defense, took a pass from Mullen and, with Kevin Hatcher holding him from behind, managed to push a backhand shot past goaltender Mike Liut for his fourth goal of the season.

''I didn't see it go into the net, but I saw it go through his legs. Then I heard the crowd,'' Turcotte said.

Turcotte then set up Ogrodnick's 350th NHL goal at 15:16 for the 4-2 lead.

''We were outplayed most of the game,'' Rangers Coach Roger Neilson said. ''We played poorly in the first period and worse in the second. The win belongs to the goalkeeper - Mike won it for us.''

Elsewhere in the NHL, Hartford edged Buffalo 4-3, Quebec outscored Toronto 8-5 and Boston outskated Winnipeg 4-2.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Whalers 4, Sabres 3

At Hartford, Conn., Kevin Dineen's goal at 12:18 of the third period, his fourth in as many games, rallied the Whalers after Ulf Samuelsson tied the score at 6:16. Czechoslovakian rookie Bobby Holik and Randy Cunneyworth also scored for Hartford, while Christian Ruuttu, Alexander Mogilny and Rick Vaive tallied for Buffalo.

Nordiques 8, Maple Leafs 5

At Toronto, Tony McKegney and Joe Sakic scored two goals each and Guy Lafleur added a goal and three assists. Toronto's loss marked the first time in the 74-year history of the Maple Leafs that the club has begun the season with four consecutive defeats. Vince Damphousse scored twice for Toronto.

Bruins 4, Jets 2

At Winnipeg, Manitoba, Dave Poulin and Peter Douris broke a tie with goals 22 seconds apart in the second period to lift Boston. Wes Walz and Dave Christian also scored for the Bruins. Danton Cole and Pat Elynuik tallied for the Jets.

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MANILA, Philippines (OCT. 11) UPI - Philippine bishops Thursday criticized President Corazon Aquino's birth control program, dealing a major setback to government efforts to curb one of the world's highest population growth rates.

The 87-member Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines in a pastoral letter said the church in Asia's only Christian nation cannot associate with Aquino's five-year, $208 million population control program - ''not even in appearance.''

Reiterating a position adopted 17 years ago, the letter to be read in churches throughout the land on Sunday said the church respected responsible regulation of births using natural methods but condemned ''contraception, sterilization

and abortion.''

The letter criticized local and foreign non-governmental institutions involved in the program and warned the Philippines could become a victim of ''contraceptive imperialism.''

The World Bank, the U.S. Agency for International Development and the U.N. Population Control Commission are the major supporters of the program.

''We are unwittingly caught in a systematic campaign against childbearing. It is a worldwide drive that undermines the value of life. It is evil. This attack on life is an attack on the human person's capacity to love. Ultimately it is an attack upon God who is love,'' the letter said.

Aquino, swept to power in a civilian-backed military revolt in 1986 with the blessings of influential church leaders, has come under strong pressure to take a serious look at the ballooning population.

Official estimates put the Philippine population growth rate at between 2.4 and 2.8 percent, one of the highest in the world. The Philippines' 60.5 million population is 12th highest in the world.

With 20 percent of the population centered in metropolitan Manila, comprising 1 percent of the country's land area, the capital has one of the highest population densities in the world.

Demographers say the country's population will double in 25 years unless measures are taken to put the growth rate down.

Church opposition to the program could deal a severe blow to her effort to curb population growth and address the nation's main problem - poverty.

Over the past year, Aquino faced coup attempts, a major earthquake, a prolonged drought and a series of devastating monsoon floods. The Persian Gulf conflict and rising oil prices have raised the specter of a recession in the country saddled by a foreign debt equivalent to $26 billion.

Government officials say the population control program is essentially aimed at providing Filipinos information and family planning services and helping them choose what options they want, and is not aimed at imposing on them artificial birth control methods the church frowns upon.

Health Undersecretary Mario Taguiwalo has said many Filipinos desire a small family, but the number of children they have is higher than the number they want because safe planning methods are not available to them.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International: .

Observers are anxiously waiting this morning for the Swedish Academy to name the author who will receive the 1990 Nobel Prize in Literature . NO official list of candidates is published by the 18- member academy, but sources say many of those already studied in previous years had been under consideration.

The shuttle Discovery is back on the planet and NASA says the rocketplane appears to be none the worse for wear. NASA will conduct a more thorough assessment of Discovery's condition today. Discovery's four-day mission ended yesterday. It was NASA's first in more than five months due to hydrogen fuel leaks that grounded two other shuttles.

The U-S death toll of Operation Desert Shield rose to 32 yesterday, after two American airmen were killed when their F-111 fighter bomber crashed in the southern Arabia Peninsula. 23 U-S servicemen were killed in combat during December's invasion of Panama.

In a footnote to history, the Senate yesterday ratified a treaty formally returning full sovereignty to Germany. One week after German re-unification, senators voted 98-0 yesterday for a treaty signed last month by the four World War Two occupying powers. It ends the rights of the occupying powers over Germany and Berlin.

Tropical Storm Marco strengthened in the Gulf of Mexico, and is lashing Florida's Gulf Coast with 65 mile-an-hour winds., Marco was about 35 miles south southwest of Sarasota. Forecasters expected little change in strength until landfall when the storm was expected to lose power.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Washington	1	1	0-2
NY Rangers	1	1	2-4

First period-1, NY Rangers, Turcotte 3 (Leetch, Ogrodnick), pp, 8:53. 2, Washington, Zezel 3 (Johansson, Druce), pp, 12:51.

Penalties-Kypreos, Was, :39; Mullen, NYR, 1:57; Rouse, Was, 7:10; Mallette, NYR, 10:41; Shaw, NYR, 12:08; Moller, NYR, 13:15; Miller, NYR, major-minor (fighting), 13:15; Kypreos, Was, 13:15; Berglund, Was, major-minor (fighting), 13:15; Lalor, Was, 13:35; Gartner, NYR, 17:55.

Second period-3, Washington, Druce 1 (Rouse, Johansson), 11:47. 4, NY Rangers,

Mallette 1 (Leetch), 19:22.

Penalties-Janssens, NYR, 1:22; Kypreos, Was, 1:22; Mallette, NYR, 6:03; Zezel, Was, 12:59; Ciccarelli, Was, 16:05; Patrick, NYR, 16:05; King, NYR, 16:05.

Third period-5. NY Rangers, Turcotte 4 (Mullen), Sh, 10:47. 6, NY Rangers, Ogrodnick 2, (Turcotte, Mullen) 15:16.

Penalties-Zezel, Was, 5:09; Hardy, NYR, 5:09; Ke. Miller, Was, 7:18; Hardy, NYR, 17:54.

Shots on goal-Washington 19 12 11-42. NY Rangers 4 8 5-17.

Power-play conversions-Washington 8-1. NY Rangers 5-1.

Goaltenders-Washington, Liut. NY Rangers, Richter. A-15,214.

Referee-Rob Shick.

Buffalo	3	0	1-3
Hartford	2	0	2-4

First period-1, Buffalo, Ruuttu 2 (Shannon), 3:25. 2, Buffalo, Mogilny 2 (unassisted), 4:48. 3, Hartford, Holik 1 (Wilson), 5:05. 4, Hartford, Cunneyworth 2 (Ladouceur, Francis), 9:09. 5, Buffalo, Vaive 2 (Turgeon, Kennedy), 16:17.

Penalties-Wells, Buf, 16:34; Evason, Har, 19:12.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Krupp, Buf, 2:23; Francis, Har, 2:23; Holik, Har, 3:48; Samuelsson, Har, 5:01; Burt, Har, 12:02; Bodger, Buf, 12:36; Foligno, Buf, 13:06; Krupp, Buf, double minor, 13:32; Verbeek, Har, 13:32; Kennedy, Buf, 15:22; Ferraro, Har, double minor, 15:22; Wells, Buf, 15:56.

Third period-6, Hartford, Samuelsson 1 (Ferraro, Dineen), 6:16. 7, Hartford, Dineen 4 (Ferraro), 12:18.

Penalties-Wells, Buf, 2:13; Brown, Buf, 13:05; Ferraro, Har, 13:05; Hartman, Buf, 13:25; Jennings, Har, 13:25; Vaive, Buf, 18:54; Verbeek, Har, 18:54.

Shots on goal-Buffalo 7-7-9-23. Hartford 11- 10-6-27.

Power-play conversions-Buffalo 4-0. Hartford 6-0.

Goaltenders-Buffalo, Puppa. Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. A-10,495.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

Quebec	3	2	3	-8
Toronto	3	1	1	-5

First period-1, Quebec, Sakic 2 (unassisted), :41. 2, Toronto, Damphousse 1 (Thibaudeau), 1:41. 3, Quebec, McKegney 1 (Sakic, Sundin), pp, 3:31. 4, Toronto, Clark 1 (Franceschetti, Ramage), pp, 5:11. 4, Toronto, Ramage 1 (Gill Olczyk), pp, 8:53. 6, Quebec, Sundin 2 (Forgarty, Petit), pp, 16:23.

Penalties-Ramage, Tor, 2:56; Velischek, Que, 4:30; Velischek, Que, 8:46; Kordic, Tor, 12:53; Thibaudeau, Tor, 15:02; Finn, Que, double minor, 17:06; Clark, Tor, triple minor, 17:06.

Second period-7, Toronto, Hannan 1 (Osborne), 2:25. 8, Quebec, Fogarty 1 (unassisted), 6:47. 9, Quebec, Hough 1 (Sundin, Sakic), 16:47.

Penalties-Kimble, Que, major (fighting), 3:23; Kordic, Tor, major (fighting), 3:23; Petit, Que, 12:06; Broten, Que, 18:27; McRae, Que, 19:16.

Third period-10, Quebec, McKegney 2 (Lafleur, Petit), 7:42. 11, Quebec, Lafleur 2 (Hrkac), 14:09. 12, Toronto, Damphousse 2 (Olczyk, Berehowsky), pp, 16:42. 13, Quebec, Sakic 3 (Lafleur, Petit), en, 19:18.

Penalties-Petit, Que, 15:29.

Shots on goal-Quebec 11-11-8-30. Toronto 8- 17-12-37.

Power play conversions-Quebec 5-2. Toronto 5-3.

Goaltenders-Quebec, Gordon, Tugnutt (8:53 1st period). Toronto, Bester. A-16,382.

Referee-Denis Morel.

Calgary	3	1	1	0-5
Detroit	3	0	1	1-6

First period-1, Detroit, Habscheid 3 (Primeau, Norwood), 2:08. 2, Detroit, Garpenlov 2 (Fedorov), 3:23. 3, Calgary, MacInnis 3 (Otto, MacLellan), 4:51. 4 Calgary, Gilmour 1 (Roberts, Nieuwendyk), 5:55. 5, Detroit, Gallant 1 (Fedorov, Yzerman), pp, 9:37. 6, Calgary, Fleury 1 (Ranheim), 11:56.

Penalties-MacLellan, Cgy, 8:43; Suter, Cgy, 14:32; Murzyn, Cgy, 17:23; Kocur, Det, double minor, 17:23; Otto, Cgy, major (fighting), 20:00; Barr, Det, major (fighting), 20:00.

Second period-7, Calgary, Nieuwendyk 4 (Makarov, MacInnis), pp, 2:55.

Penalties-Djoos, Det, 2:29; Murzyn, Cgy, 4:56; Chiasson, Det, 8:19; Otto, Cgy, 12:34; Suter, Cgy, 16:51.

Third period-8, Calgary, Nieuwendyk 5 (MacInnis, Fleury), pp, 9:36. 9, Detroit Norwood 1 (Djoos, Yzerman), 17:21. 10, Detroit, Burr 1 (Chiasson, Carson), 19:02.

Penalties-Burr, Det, 8:43; Chiasson, Det, 19:54.

Overtime-11, Detroit, Probert 1 (Burr, Chiasson), 4:06.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Calgary 12-6-4-3-25. Detroit 11-6-13-1-31.

Power-play conversions-Calgary 5-2. Detroit 5-1.

Goaltenders-Calgary, Wamsley. Detroit, Cheveldae. A-19,875.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

Boston	1	2	1-4
Winnipeg	1	0	1-2

First period-1, Boston, Christian 2 (Wiemer, Janney), 11:07. 2, Winnipeg, Elynuik 1 (Numminen, Housley), 12:08.

Penalties-None.

Second period-3, Boston, Poulin 4, (Carter, Carpenter) 5:38. 4, Boston, Douris 2 (Wesley) 6:00.

Penalties-Neely, Bos, 7:39.

Third period-5, Winnipeg, Cole 1 (Evans, Elynuik), 0:45. 6, Boston, Walz 2 (unassisted), 7:12.

Penalties-Walz, Bos, 12:01; Elynuik, Wpg, 12:52.

Shots on goal-Boston 10-11-12-33. Winnipeg 10-10-10-30.

Power-play conversions-Boston 1-0. Winnipeg 2-0.

Goaltenders-Boston, Lemelin. Winnipeg, Taberacci. A-13,125.

Referee-Mike McGeough.

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KARACHI, Pakistan (OCT. 11) UPI - A judge Thursday denied bail to the husband of ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto following his arrest on charges of kidnapping and extortion, officials said.

They said the judge in the southern port of Karachi ordered Asif Ali Zardari be detained for 13 days so police can question him further.

Zardari, a prominent businessman who married Bhutto in 1987, would appear in the court again on the day of the scheduled Oct. 24 elections, in which he is standing as a candidate for a National Assembly seat.

Authorities arrested Zardari on Wednesday on charges he helped plot the kidnapping of Murtaza Bukhari, a wealthy Pakistani businessman based in England. Zardari has denied the charge.

Bukhari was abducted in April at his house in Karachi and made to pay about $800,000 before being released. Police in August arrested Ghulam Hussein Unnar a member of the Sind provincal Assembly and a close friend of Zardari, for allegedly carrying out the crime.

Bhutto Wednesday charged her husband has been falsely accused as part of a ''criminal conspiracy'' by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan and the caretaker government.

''Such intimidatory and blackmailing tactics cannot deter us from participating in the forthcoming elections,'' she told a news conference at her Karachi home.

Zardari last month also obtained pre-arrest bail, which forbids police from detaining him for a specified period unless permitted by the courts, in connection with allegations he used his influence to force a bank to give a loan of about $14 million to a businessman friend without surety.

Bhutto, 37, is also facing charges of misconduct while in office before Special Disqualification Courts. The courts were set up by Ishaq Khan in what many believe is an attempt to bar her and members of her administration from the elections.

If found guilty on any of the charges, she could be barred from politics for seven years.

Ishaq Khan dismissed Bhutto's 20-month-old administration on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to control law and order. He appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi as interim prime minister until the elections.

Two of Bhutto's former ministers are facing criminal charges of corruption, while three more must appear before the disqualification courts.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - The government will try to portray junk bond king Michael Milken as a greedy criminal and will call some of his most well- known business associates to testify at Thursday's presentencing hearing to prove its point.

Prosectors planned to present evidence of alleged crimes that the former head of Drexel Burnham Lambert's junk bond division has never admitted to in an effort to bring down a heavy prison sentence.

Milken pleaded guilty to six felonies, including conspiracy and securities fraud, in April. The plea bargain allowed him to avoid the toughest charges in the 98-count indictment.

But prosecutors, in a so-called Fatico presentencing hearing scheduled to begin Thursday, will present arguments to U.S. District Court Judge Kimba Wood about a web of crimes the government claims Milken committed but he has not admitted.

At issue is whether Milken's six confessed crimes were part of a larger pattern of criminal activity, as the government claims in a presentencing memo or whether they were isolated incidents in which Milken went too far in helping his clients, as the defense maintains.

Among the possible witnesses at the hearing is Ivan Boesky, Wall Street arbitrageur turned government informant, whose tips led to Milken's indictment.

Once head of high-risk, high-yield bonds at Drexel, Milken pioneered the use of the so-called junk bonds to fuel leveraged buyouts in the 1980s.

In the somber aftermath of the takeover craze, where companies now are overwhelmed with debt and the high-risk bond market has collapsed, the fallen junk bond king has, for many, come to symbolize the greed and excess that characterized the 1980s.

Already having paid $600 million in fines and penalties, Milken, who earned $550 million one year at Drexel, faces a maximum possible sentence of 28 years in prison.

The judge has said she wants the hearing to last no longer than two weeks and each side will have 20 hours to present testimony and evidence.

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#90284u0436 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 11) UPI - The Vietnamese-backed Cambodian government called Thursday for a new meeting of a joint national council with the three resistance groups to settle disputes over the chairmanship of the council.

The official Phnom Penh news agency SPK quoted Chea Sim, chairman of the National Assembly, as saying his government wanted to resume meetings of the dispute-plagued Supreme National Council, which is seen as a key part of a U.N. plan to end the 11-year-old conflict in Cambodia.

''He stressed that the Phnom Penh side wants to convene the second SNC meeting as soon as possible in order to reach agreement on the selection of its chairman and vice chairman,'' SPK said.

Chea Sim's call partly echoed a resistance statement Tuesday that also proposed another SNC meeting, to be held in Bangkok.

The resistance did not mention a vice chairman, which it has said is unnecessary.

The SNC, endorsed by the U.N. Security Council, will hold the country's sovereignty while an interim U.N. authority administers key ministries, supervises a cease-fire and arranges national elections.

The council includes six representatives from the Phnom Penh government and six from the resistance.

Its first meeting, however, became deadlocked over resistance insistance that Prince Norodom Sihanouk, head of one of the three resistance factions, be elected chairman as proposed by the Security Council.

The government of Prime Minister Hun Sen has said it will only accept Sihanouk as chairman if another resistance member is dropped to make way for him and if Hun Sen is elected vice chairman.

''If Prince Sihanouk is made chairman of the SNC, then Prime Minister Hun Sen must be a vice-chairman, the SNC may have two co-chairmen or alternate chairmen,'' the news agency quoted Chea Sim as saying.

The Cambodian conflict dates to Vietnam's invasion of Cambodia in late 1978.The Vietnamese ousted the Khmer Rouge regime, which was blamed for the deaths of more than 1 million civilians during its reign in 1975-1978.

Vietnam installed the current Cambodian government, which has been fighting the three resistance groups led by the Khmer Rouge in several areas of countryside.

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#90284u0525 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 11) UPI - Authorities in Bolivia today say UNidentified gunmen opened fire on a U-S military residence in La Paz. Investigators say last night's attack injured NO U-S servicemen, but was followed by a strong explosion that killed two Bolivian police officers. Bolivian police described the target as a U-S Navy residence housing Marines. The Pentagon acknowledges the attack, but will NOT release any details.

Tropical Storm Marco was centered just about 25 miles southwest of St. Petersburg, Florida, this morning... but forecasters are NOT sure where it will cross land. High winds and heavy rains have hit the Gulf coast... bending palm trees and causing flooding. The storm is packing 65-mile-an-hour winds... prompting tropical storm warnings from Everglades City to the Florida panhandle.

One of three skinheads convicted of killing a black man testified yesterday in Portland, Oregon, that a former Ku Klux Klan leader did NOT organize the crime. The skinhead and another man convicted in the murder are defendants in a civil suit, along with White Aryan Resistance leader Tom Metzger. The suit charges that Metzger taught skinheads racial hatred that led them to the 1988 killing.

The number of American servicemen killed in the deployment in the Middle East has surpassed all those killed in last year's invasion of Panama. Two U-S airmen were killed when their F-111 fighter fighter crashed in the southern Arabian peninsula. That means 32 Americans have died in Operation Desert Shield withOUT any combat. In a positive development... almost 400 hostages flew out of Iraq last night bound for London. Most were Americans.

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#90284u0544 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 11) UPI - Renewed worries over the threat of war in the Middle East and higher interest rates combined to send stock prices tumbling nearly 4 percent Thursday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

The blue chip Nikkei Average of 225 selective issues, which slipped 134.89 points on Tuesday, tumbled 909.48 points - or 3.9 percent - to 22,585.63.

Financial markets were closed Wednesday for the national holiday of Sports Day.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major listed shares dropped 57.01 points to 1,671.68. TOPIX had gained 1.50 points Tuesday.

Wary investors stayed out of the market, sending volume down to an estimated

300 million shares, compared with 442 million shares changing hands Tuesday.

Losses were recorded across the board as declines overwhelmed advances by nearly a 13 to 1 margin.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks rebounded slightly on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in a day marked by extremely thin trading.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which fell 41.11 points Wednesday, rose 12.00 points to 2,884.41.

Among the narrower indexes, industrials added 8.56 points, financials rose 9.91, utilities were up 10.64 and properties gained 27.84 points.

Volume totaled 483 million shares, compared with 588 million shares Wednesday.

In Singapore, stocks closed lower in lackluster trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 15.16 points Wednesday, lost another 10.64 points to 1,079.50. The broader-based All Singapore Index dipped 1.82 points to 301.45.

An estimated 23.8 million shares changed hands, compared with 22.1 million shares Wednesday.

In Bangkok, stocks closed lower on the Thailand Stock Exchange for the second consecutive day, reflecting tensions in the Gulf.

The Security Exchange of Thailand Index, which fell 26.64 points Wednesday, lost another 11.12 points to 644.43.

Volume amounted to around 1.3 billion shares, compared with 1.8 billion changing hands Wednesday.

In Australia, stocks closed sharply lower on the Sydney Sharemarket as hopes of an immediate cut in local interest rates faded.

The All Ordinaries Index, which fell 15.2 points Wednesday, lost another 19.0 points to 1,341.2.

Losses were spread evenly across the board.

The All Industrials Index fell 28.7 points to 1,998.1 and the All Resources Index lost 11.5 points to 829.5.

An estimated 59.8 million shares changed hands, compared with 57.7 million shares Wednesday.

Declines overpowered advances 205 to 60, while 199 stocks remained unchanged.

In Wellington, New Zealand investors were hit with a fresh blow to confidence as a new set of Central Bank forecasts painted a gloomy outlook for the domestic economy.

The New Zealand Stock Exchange's Barclay Share-Price Index, which plunged 39.26 points Wednesday, dropped 23.88 points or 1.7 percent to 1,392.52 - its lowest level since February 1985.

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#90284u0581 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (OCT. 11) UPI - The No. 2 leader of the government party Thursday urged main opposition leader Kim Dae Jung to call off a 4-day- old hunger strike seeking to push a series of political demands.

Also, a South Korean official visiting North Korea said sports talks between the two countries could resume soon, including a discussion of sending a unified team to the 1992 Olympics.

Kim Young-sam, a former opposition politician who is now the executive committee chairman of the ruling Democratic Liberal Party, visited Kim Dae Jung for an hour at the headquarters of the Party for Peace and Democracy.

''I asked him to call off the hunger strike. We shared the view that we should do our best to bring politics back to normal. I am hopeful things will turn out all right,'' Kim Young-sam said after the meeting.

He did not elaborate on the discussions but political sources said the two Kims exchanged their respective stands on major political issues.

Kim Dae Jung started fasting Monday, demanding the government stop trying to adopt a parliamentary cabinet form of government through constitutional change implement local autonomy as promised and keep the military from politics.

His hunger strike began while a controversy snowballed over illegal political surveillance by military security agents on more than 1,300 noted civilians. Kim Dae Jung demanded that the Defense Security Command, which conducted the surveillance, be disbanded.

Representatives of nine organizations, including opposition parties and dissident groups, demanded at a press conference that President Roh Tae-woo apologize to the nation for the spying. They also urged the government to accept Kim Dae Jung's demands.

They will jointly sponsor a massive protest rally in Seoul on Saturday, a

spokesman said, and if the government does not meet their demands another protest gathering will be staged.

The military surveillance was disclosed by Pvt. Yoon Suk-yang, a 24- year-old Army deserter, Oct. 4. Yoon was assigned to the Defense Security Command, which is in charge of criminal investigations and intelligence for the armed forces.

He said the surveillance targets included politicians, civic and church leaders, lawyers, college professors, journalists, labor activists and dissidents and produced files prepared by security agents.

South Korea Sports Minister Chung Dong-sung, heading a soccer delegation to North Korea, said formal sports talks between the two Koreas are likely to be revived soon.

A Seoul press corps accompanying the delegation said in a dispatch from the North Korean capital of Pyongyang that officials of both sides had broad talks on sports exchanges between the South and the North.

''It is expected that the suspended South-North sports talks will be revived soon,'' the report quoted Chung as saying. ''The question of sending a unified Korean delegation to the 1992 Barcelona Summer Olympics and other major international events has been solidly discussed.''

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#90284u0596 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (OCT. 11) UPI - Tropical Storm Marco pushed northward up Florida's Gulf Coast Thursday with 65-mph winds that left thousands without power, prompted school closings and damaged homes and buildings.

The only injury reported early Thursday was a man driving in Sarasota County whose car was trapped under a tree torn down by fierce winds. The man was taken to Sarasota Memorial Hospital, where he was listed in serious condition.

About 8,000 homes were left without power in Manatee County and another 4,500 homes in Sarasota County were blacked out after Marco passed through shortly before 7 a.m., county emergency officials said.

Work crews began repairing the downed power lines after the brunt of the storm moved north toward the Tampa Bay area.

At 7 a.m., the storm was 20 miles south of St. Petersburg, near latitude 27.4 north and longitude 82.7 west and was moving northwest near 9 mph. The storm was expected to make landfall by late morning in the Tampa-St. Petersburg metropolitan area, the largest on Florida's west coast with a population of more than 500,000.

Meanwhile, the National Weather Service issued a hurricane two advisory for Bermuda, which is in the path of Hurricane Lili, packing 74-mph winds and located near latitude 31 north and longitude 59.8 west. The storm was heading west at 20 mph and was about 360 miles east of Bermuda.

Winds whipped up by Marco as the storm lumbered through Florida's west coast flipped over a small airplane that was parked at Venice Airport in Sarasota County. No one was injured, said county spokesman Chris Eversole said.

Schools in Sarasota and Manatee counties were closed Tuesday, and the massive Sunshine Skyway Bridge at the mouth of Tampa Bay was closed to traffic before dawn after it was rocked by 50-mph wind gusts.

Pinellas County Emergency Management Coordinator David Bilodeau said it was unlikely officials would call for evacuations.

''It's nothing to trifle with but it's not a life threatening situation either '' he said. ''So far it's nothing that would call for an evacuation.''

''The areas that it's already gone through haven't experienced very much as far as damage is concerned,'' said Ronnie Goodstein, spokesperson for Pinellas County. ''We're advising people to remain indoors.''

Eversole said Marco left flooding and beach erosion in its wake. ''It packed a pretty good wallop here. We had gusts of 62 mph.

''We had some minor flooding, some (road) washouts, but there wasn't too much damage,'' he said. ''Emergency crews are out clearing out limbs and things and power has been restored to some of the people in Sarasota County.''

Tropical storm force winds extended up to 175 miles west and 60 miles east of Marco's center and a storm surge of 1 to 3 feet was expected near and south of where the storm makes landfall. At least 3 inches of rain was predicted for the region.

The storm stalled near the Keys Wednesday afternoon, expanding and building strength over open waters before heading north.

The threat of the storm prompted Gov. Bob Martinez to activate the state's emergency operations center.

In Tallahassee, the state's Emergency Operations Center opened to help local governments cope with the storm.

Marco is the 13th named storm of the Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30. There have not been as many since 1969, when there were 14 named storms.

The storm formed Wednesday morning from a low-pressure system that moved over Cuba Tuesday. That system swallowed up the dissipated remains of Tropical Storm Klaus, which killed six people as it moved over the Lesser Antilles last week. Klaus dumped up to 3 inches of rain on south Florida Tuesday.

Since Klaus no longer had a recognizable center, the merged system was given a new name instead of being declared a rejuvenated Klaus.

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#90284u0609 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 11) UPI - Heavy rain and 65 mile-an-hour winds blasted Florida as Tropical Storm Marco churned in waters off Florida's gulf coast., Marco was about 25 miles southwest of St. Petersburg, Florida, moving north northwest at nine miles an hour. .

Forecasters were UNsure where the storm will hit land, but Marco was expected to continue in the same direction and speed through the day. Miami's National Hurricane Center says Marco may go ashore between Fort Myers and Sarasota.

The Swedish Academy names the winner of the 1990 Nobel Prize in Literature today. Observers say the academy may try to mend rifts by choosing a woman. Since it was first awarded in 1901, only six women have won the literary prize.

The Soviet news agency Tass says a booster rocket carrying a satellite blew uplast week, damaging a launch pad at the Baikonur Cosmodrome. NO casualties were reported. NO word on why there was one week's delay in reporting the mishap.

A teen-ager goes on trial in New York for the 1989 rape and beating of a woman jogger in Central Park. Kharey Wise faces the stiffest penalties so far for his alleged role in the attack. He could get 19 to 57 years in jail, if convicted on the most serious charges.

A New York jury begins deliberations in the trial of a fourth man accused in the Bensonhurst racial case in which a black teenager was killed by a white mob. Charles Stressler faces a second-degree murder charge in the 1989 slaying of Yusef Hawkins.

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#90284u0610 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 11) UPI - House and Senate negotiators struck a deal on provisions of a clean air bill yesterday to reduce car emissions. But Congress is expected to adjourn for the year in two weeks and bargainers canNOT agree on acid rain pollution cuts.

A Chicago man is in critical condition after leaping from a moving elevated train to the street 40 feet below. Police say the man allegedly tried to rob a passenger when other commuters intervened yesterday and he jumped from the train.

The Soviet Consulate in Calcutta, India, says Nobel laureate Mother Teresa won the 1990 Soviet Land Nehru award for her contributions ''to the cause of humanity.'' Previous award recipients were either communists or those closely linked to Soviet-sponsored groups.

A University of Kentucky researcher says he invented two devices he says will increase the success of artificial insemination in humans. The Lexington scientist reports the two devices were created from work involving bull semen.

Five days of events take place in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, at the Eisenhower Centennial Celebration beginning today. Dwight David Eisenhower served two terms as president after leading Allied powers to a World War Two victory. He lived in Gettysburg until his death in 1969 at age 78.

A judge in Pakistan denied bail to the husband of ousted leader Benazir Bhutto after he was jailed on charges of kidnapping and exportion. Bhutto says her husband is falsely accused in a conspiracy by the caretaker government.

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#90284u0613 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

KHARTOUM, SUDAN (OCT. 11) UPI - A U.S. food ship that was diverted from Port Sudan to nearby Djibouti in the Red Sea triggered protest Thursday from Sudan, which accused the United States of playing politics with 6 million people threatened with starvation.

A statement from the Sudanese Ministry of Trade and Cooperation said the U.S. vessel, carrying 90,500 tons of wheat, was diverted without explanation and that the government was awaiting an explanation from the United States.

The wheat, part of a $20 million food assistance program, had already been paid for by the Sudanese government, the statement said.

It was the latest in a war of words between the United States and Sudan over terms and conditions for the supply of food to about 5 million people who face starvatiaon in the south and west of the war- torn country and another 1 million refugees from Ethiopia, also facing a famine of potentially catastrophic proportions.

The United States has said the food is available but that Khartoum's hardline Islamic fundamentalist government has blocked relief flights into southern Sudan, most of which is in the hands of anti-Islamic rebels.

The United States recently diverted 25,000 tons of wheat from Sudan because it said Sudanese planes bombed refugee centers in the south of the country.

A senior U.S. administration official called the military government of Gen. Omar al Bashir the ''Khmer Rouge'' of Africa.

Sudan accused the United States of tying humanitarian aid to political considerations because Sudan suppors of Iraq's Saddam Hussein and has close ties with Libyan leader Muammar Ghadaffi.

It has accused the United Nations of limiting its food supplies to areas held by the rebel Sudanese People's Liberation Army.

Former President Jimmy Carter has also accused the United States and a number of Arab states, irked at al Bashir's refusal to condemn Saddam's annexation of Kuwait, of playing politics and ignoring hunger.

''Donor governments and private relief agencies should not abandon the civilian population of Sudan in its hour of great need,'' he said last week.

But he also blamed al Bashir, noting that ''part of the difficulty in reaching these victims is the recent lack of cooperation by government authorities with international relief efforts.''

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#90284u0633 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 10: Purchases of 393,275 shares and sales of 627,843 shares including 60,137 shares sold short.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	69	40	....
Anchorage sh	47	39	....
Asheville r	69	53	.65
Atlanta r	71	53	1.59
Baltimore sh	83	71	....
Billings pc	64	34	.07
Birmingham cy	64	50	....
Bismarck cy	71	42	.02
Boston dz	69	54	.02
Brownsville sy	72	49	....

Buffalo r	71	54	.17
Burlington Vt. r	53	50	....
Charleston S.C. ts	81	73	3.51
Charlotte r	72	66	4.62
Chicago sy	48	32	.49
Cincinnati sy	66	42	.35.
Cleveland pc	77	43	.27.
Columbus Ohio pc	74	42	.26
Dallas sy	66	42	....
Denver cy	75	40	....
Des Moines f	54	35	....
Detroit pc	63	43	....
Duluth sy	49	26	....
El Paso sy	72	44	....
Evansville sy	50	37	....
Fargo cy	59	43	....
Hartford dz	81	54	.04
Honolulu sy	88	77	....
Houston sy	53	35	.07.
Indianapolis sy	53	35	.07
Jackson Miss. sy	57	47	....
Jacksonville ts	85	74	.57
Kansas City sy	57	45	....
Las Vegas sy	83	54	....
Little Rock sy	58	41	....
Los Angeles f	93	61	....
Louisville pc	69	43	.02
Memphis sy	51	39	....
Miami Beach ts	84	79	.01
Milwaukee sy	46	33	.54
Minneapolis pc	54	33	....
Nashville pc	63	46	.03.
New Orleans sy	69	51	....
New York cy	80	68	.49
Oklahoma City sy	63	43	....
Omaha pc	57	40	....
Orlando ts	89	77	.20
Philadelphia r	83	67	.02
Phoenix sy	90	63	....
Pittsburgh r	80	50	.38
Portland Me. dz	55	49	.07
Portland Ore. sy	63	40	....
Providence dz	80	56	....
Richmond sh	86	70	.26.
St. Louis sy	48	37	.01
Salt Lake City pc	72	49	....
San Antonio sy	71	43	....
San Diego f	89	60	....

San Francisco sy	82	54	....
San Juan ts	85	74	.77
Seattle f	60	40	....
Spokane sy	57	27	....
Tampa ts	91	76	.38
Washington sh	86	71	.12
Wichita ts	60	44	.01

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90284u0649 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled a seasonally adjusted 397,000 for the week ending Sept. 29, an increase of 7,000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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#90284u0658 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (OCT. 11) UPI - Police fired at four cars of Soviet tourists who disregarded a checkpoint while returning home from a trip to Germany, wounding one passenger, the Pravda newspaper said Thursday.

Pravda, the official newspaper of the Soviet Communist Party, quoted a police spokesman as saying the shooting occurred at a checkpoint police set up to guard against contraband weapons and drugs near the Ural Mountains city of Chelyabinsk.

''A tourist journey to West Germany by three families from the town of Taldy-Kurgan in the Kazakhstan republic nearly ended tragically on their way back,'' Pravda said. ''A militia patrol shot at their cars 32 miles from Chelyabinsk. A 17-year-old teenager was wounded. It was a miracle that no one

else suffered.''

Pravda said the cars had ''shattered windows and was riddled with bullet holes.''

The newspaper did not say when the shooting happened but the reference to West Germany indicated it may have been before German reunification Oct. 3.

One couple in the cars, Galina and Renat Irdrisov, told the newspaper that they did not stop at the checkpoint because they mistook the police for racketeers and had experienced an unpleasant encounter with mobsters earlier in the trip.

The Irdrisovs said they were transporting four cars they had bought in Germany.

Pravda said the police were under orders to fire into the air but the police spokesman justified the shooting and suggested the travelers were carrying contraband.

''The real reasons for their actions (in refusing to stop) would have been revealed if the police had detained one of the cars that fled,'' the spokesman said.

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#90284u0684 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

KIGALI, RWANDA (OCT. 11) UPI - Despite denials by President Juvenal Habyarimana, reports that his army massacred civilians in northern Rwanda continued to reach the capital Thursday, 12 days after the east African country was invaded by rebel refugees.

Habyarimana told a press conference Wednesday his army, rounding up suspected rebel sympathizers, did not kill anyone but villagers fleeing into Uganda said the troops cordoned off three northern villages and machine-gunned several hundred inhabitants.

About 500 villagers, without food or money, reached the Ugandan border post of Kizinga, 50 miles north of Kigali after fleeing the attacks, thought to be a Hutu tribal reprisal against members of the minority Tutsi tribe, who make up most of the thousands-strong invading rebel army.

A priest, the Rev. Stephen Kabaleka, told journalists he believed up to a thousand people had been shot - precisely the figure Habyarimana denied Wednesday.

Diplomats continued to report disappearances from among those arrested in the capital as potential sympathizers. Among them were senior army officers, intellectuals and churchmen, many of them disaffected Hutu as well as Tutsi,

they said.

Rwandan troops, assisted by 500 Zaireans, have fought since Sep. 30 to hold back growing numbers of rebels, many of them experienced guerrilla fighters who deserted the Ugandan army, crossing into northeastern Rwanda.

The rebels, led by Maj. Gen Fred Rwigyema - one-time commander of Uganda's National Revolutionary Army - say they are not fighting a tribal war and blamed France and Belgium, who have also sent troops, for complicating their bid to overthrow Habyarimana, who they call ''a brutal dictator.''

Belgium, which with France has said its troops were there only to protect its citizens in the former colony, said Thursday it had no plans to add to its 500 soldiers in Rwanda.

Prime Minister Wilfried Martens said he planned to raise the subject of Rwanda at the United Nations.

As many as 10,000 well-armed rebels may be fighting in the northeastern corner of Rwanda, according to diplomats in Kigali. Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni who denies prior knowledge of the invasion, said Wednesday he did not believe Rwandan and Zairean forces could defeat the rebels unless they ran out of ammunition.

''These are dangerous boys,'' he told a press conference.

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#90284u0694 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 11) UPI - Forecasters expect Tropical Storm Marco to rage fully onto land soon. , the center of the storm was located 20 miles southwest of St. Petersburg. 62-mile-an-hour winds have hit Sarasota County... flipping a small plane and tearing down power lines... leaving thousands of homes blacked out. A Sarasota man is hospitalized in serious condition after a tree fell on the car he was driving. People in the area are advised to stay indoors.

Authorities in La Paz, Bolivia, say UNknown attackers opened fire with machine guns on a U-S military residence last night. The attack was followed by an explosion that killed two Bolivian police officers at the residence... but police say there were NO reports of other injuries.

President Bush will meet with Republican members of Congress at the White House today to discuss specifics of a new budget proposal. The House Ways and Means Committee yesterday approved a deficit reduction plan. The plan does NOT address a proposed capital gains tax cut or income tax increases.

A suspect in the killings of five college students in Florida has been convicted of beating his grandmother. William Humphrey was convicted yesterday

in Melbourne of battery of an elderly person... punishable by up to five years in prison. His family claims he was prosecuted only because he is a suspect in the killings in Gainesville.

A jumbo jet filled with hostages freed from Iraq landed in London this morning. Britain says 386 people were aboard the Iraqi Airways jet... including 142 Americans. The Westerners are said to be women and children only. The flight left last night as the first airlift from Iraq in nearly three weeks.

General Motors and the International Union of Electronic Workers have reached a tentative agreement on a new three-year contract. Last night's agreement in Detroit averted a midnight strike. NO details of the pact were revealed pending a ratification vote by union members. The I-U-E represents more than 22-thousand G-M hourly workers.

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#90284u0696 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 11) UPI - Sgt. Jeff Bumgardner bounces across the desert darkness, using only starlight and the blackout lights of the truck ahead of him to find his way.

He's hauling food, fuel and water and - if war breaks out - ammunition to the Marine ''grunts'' or infantrymen who will be on the front lines where the headlines are made.

The work is not glamorous. The rewards are few and far between, except for knowing that the guys up front can keep fighting because of what Combat Service Support Detachment 141 is doing.

Working out of what they call FARP-Foss, or a Foward Arming and Refueling Point named after a Marine Medal of Honor winner from World War II, the men stay just behind the infantry and its tanks and light armored vehicles. So vital is their mission to the front-line troops and so tempting a close-in target are they that the boss, Col. Alex Powell, makes the men put their chemical weapons masks on three times a day for an hour at a time.

Of course not everyone sits around and just sweats in the masks. They all go about their normal chores, but sometimes if they get a break, Staff Sgt. Tim Kletzke of Chicago and Sgt. Russ Adamson of Salt Lake City play chess - on a board made of a packing crate with pieces spray painted green or black made of soda cans, tabasco bottles, water bottles and the like.

The unit also includes a number of Cobra helicopters that can escort convoys, a 30-bed field hospital where the doctors say they can perform ''meatball surgery'' to stabilize a patient.

They also produce 80,000 gallons of fresh water daily from the salty Persian Gulf, giving some to the Army and British troops who have not yet gotten their systems up to speed. And they can store well over 150, 000 gallons of aviation and truck fuel. In addition, they provide laundry service and showers for surrounding units, making them very popular among the gritty infrantrymen.

Bumgardner, whose wife and 2-year-old son Josh wait at home in Hickory, N.C., takes satisfaction in getting the supplies up to the troops night after night, bumping over sand illuminated only by starlight or moonlight because the black-out lights on his five-ton truck are aimed too low to be of any use.

''We don't go to the rear at all. The grunts, they spend six days in the field and then go back to the air conditioning for three days. We don't do that. We stay here. We'll be here until December,'' said Bumgardner, who is looking forward to getting out of the Corps early next year after eight years in uniform. He is just 25.

''I'd rather be here than in the rear. This is what I get paid to do, '' he said.

He said morale is high, in part because they had been visited by Gen. Alfred Gray, the commandant, a few weeks ago and it really picked up the younger Marines. ''You ought to have seen their expressions. Their eyes lit up. It was a real morale-boostaer,''he said.

Driving an LSV, a huge truck hauling fuel for the tanks, was Cpl. Michael Mulchahy of Windsor, N.Y., who also took his night-time runs with a quiet seriousness.

''When you're playing with people's lives, you're playing for real,'' he said.

And the man they delivered 500 gallons of water, 1,000 gallons of fuel and 100 meals to, Gunnery Sgt. Denzil Hall, 34, of Martinsville, Ill., was glad to see his supplies arrive. His job is to rush forward to the light armored vehicles of his unit and resupply five companies of the 3rd Light Armored Infantry.

It is rewarding, he said, ''knowing that I'm supplying the grunts that are up there in the fighting and if I don't supply them they can't do the job. If they don't have fuel they can't move.''

While the trucks were out bouncing across the desert, finding rendezvous points agreed upon ahead of time by the units and supply depot, at the guard post Lance Cpl. Gary Vasquez, 20, of San Antonio, and Lance Cpl. Andrew Capps, 22, of Versailles, Mo., were challenging intruders with a demand for a password.

They'd come in from an infantry unit to help provide security for the depot, which draws its stocks from a larger facility nearly 100 miles away. They used

night vision goggles to scan the horizon and radios and telephones to communicate with the command post.

''We're guarding stuff for a reason instead of just a dog and pony show,'' said Capps, adding he did not mind the split shifts of four hours on duty at night when it is cooler and two hours during the heat of the day.

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RENO, NV (OCT. 11) UPI - The Nevada Humane Society is gathering evidence for a possible criminal prosecution of a Catholic priest who ordered the wings clipped on pigeons near his church.

Humane Society Director Mark McGuire said Thursday the report will be presented to the Washoe District Attorney's Office.

Father Bernard, pastor of St. Peter Canisius Catholic Church, said the pigeons were a health hazard with their droppings, which also clogged storm drains.

Bernard said clipping their wings was the most humane thing to do, but the grounded birds were easy prey for dogs and cats in the area. McGuire said there were about 100 birds involved and about 83 have died.

''We plan on submitting an incident report for consideration of a criminal complaint,'' McGuire said.

The 69-year-old priest said, ''The clipping of the wings consisted of clipping the long feathers with ordinary house scissors. As far as the birds are concerned, my real intentions were good intentions.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $385.50 silver base of $4.38 and platinum price of $439.00:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$401.40	409.00
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	205.90	209.80
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.70	107.70
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.70	44.50
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	401.40	409.00
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	205.90	209.80
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.20	108.20

Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.70	44.50
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	407.80	415.60
China Panda .50 troy oz.	210.10	214.10
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.00	111.10
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.10	48.00
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.10	28.60
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	401.50	409.10
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	205.20	209.10
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.60	105.60
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.60	45.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	400.00	407.20
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	207.00	210.70
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.20	108.10
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.20	45.90
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	399.80	407.10
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	205.60	209.30
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.20	88.70
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.70	46.50
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.20	23.60
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.78	$6.02
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,170	$3,340
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,375	$1,450
Platinum		
Australian Koala	461.00	465.00
Isle of Man Noble	450.00	453.00
Canada Maple Leaf	461.00	465.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - Panama's customs director says drug-related violence could become a big problem in his country following the torture of a customs inspector. On Monday... a female customs inspector was pulled into a car, drugged, beaten, and burned with a branding iron. She was dropped off in Panama City and hospitalized in a state of shock.

Unemployment in the 12-nation European Community rose in August for the first time in six years. The E-C says joblessness increased one- tenth of one

percentage point, to eight-point-four percent. Ireland had the E-C's highest jobless rate at almost 17 percent.

A federal jury in Detroit has found one of the nation's leading computer manufacturers liable for violating antitrust laws. Jurors held Tuesday that Price Computer of Natick, Massachusetts, violated the law by tying customers' software revisions to hardware maintenance contracts.

A researcher reports that scientists have discovered the remains of a horned dinosaur and an armored dinosaur at two widely-separated locations in Alaska. The researcher from the University of Alaska told a conference in Anchorage yesterday that the ankylosaur fossil is the first ever found in the arctic.

Gary Kasparov threw a surprise move in his strategy and defeated challenger Anatoly Karpov in game two of the 24-game World Chess Championship. A spokesman for the games in New York said Kasparov broke into a smile after beating his bitter rival. The first game ended in a draw.

A study of more than 45-thousand men has found NO evidence that coffee boosts the risk of heart disease or stroke. The findings were published yesterday in the New England Journal of Medicine. They contrast with a recent California study which found that heavy coffee consumption increases the heart attack risk by 40 percent.

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#90284u0740 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

LAKEWOOD, Colo. (OCT. 11) UPI - Ten children were injured Thursday when their school bus was rammed by a laundry truck that apparently ran a red light.

The students were among 51 children on a bus en route to Carmody Junior High School. Police said a laundry truck coming off U.S. 285 apparently ran a red light and ran into the right rear of the bus.

There was extensive damage to the front of the truck and the rear of the bus. The collision pushed the school bus sideways about 50 feet before it came to a stop.

The 10 injured students were taken to St. Anthony Central Hospital, where officials said the injuries appeared to be minor bruises and sprains. All of the students were expected to be released by the end of the day.

The driver of the truck, who wasn't immediately identified, also was taken to the hospital.

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#90284u0745 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 11) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for Latest Period vs. Year Earlier:

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Anthem Electronics (3rd Q)	
$100,169,000	$82,599,000
$5,466,000 (.46)	$4,279,000 (.38)
Bank of New York (3rd Q)	
....	....
$70,574,000 (.90)	d-$271,271,000
d-Deficit.	
BanPonce Corp (3rd Q)	
....	....
$4,210,000 (.73)	$5,816,000 (1.01)
Central Fidelity Banks (3rd Q)	
....	....
$14,217,000 (.95)	$13,528,000 (.88)
CPC Intl (3rd Q)	
$1453,636,000	$1,286,090,000
$98,599,000 (1.27)	$87,245,000 (1.13)
Exabyte Corp (3rd Q 9-29)	
$39,207,000	$23,924,000
$6,077,000 (.29)	$3,108,000 (.17)
Fedl Natl Mtge Assoc (3rd Q)	
....	....
$299,500,000 (1.15)	$211,900,000 (.82)
Great Country Bank (1st Q 8-31)	
....	....
d-$908,000	d-$4,021,000
d-Deficit.	
Hayes-Dana (3rd Q)	
$100,448,000	$103,391,000
$2,921,000 (.20)	$3,305,000 (.22)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
IMC Fertilizer Group (1st Q 9-30)	
$266,100,000	$251,000,000
$23,000,000 (.87)	$20,000,000 (.76)
Orion Pictures (2nd Q 9-30)	

$135,180,000 $115,450,000
$3,252,000 (.15) $2,669,000 (.12)

Portsmouth Bank Shares (3rd Q)
$1,193,000 (.31) $3,180,000 (.80)
....
Reflects a one-time securities gain of $229,
000 in 1990 and $2,240,000 in 1989.

Putnam Trust Co (3rd Q)
....
$1,130,000 (.39) $876,000 (.31)

Raytheon Co (3rd Q)
$2,241,000,000 $2,189,000,000
a-$138,000,000 (2.11) $137,300,000 (2.08)
a-Includes a net provision of $11,500,000
(.18), for the previously announced closing
of a manufacturing facility.

Royal Trustco (3rd Q)
$1,279,000,000 $939,000,000
$45,000,000 (.19) $64,000,000 (.41)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Sonoco Products (3rd Q)
$415,555,000 $402,527,000
d-$28,881,000 $25,767,000 (.59)
d-Deficit, after a $75,000,000 pre-tax restructuring charge.

State Street Boston (3rd Q)
....
$29,875,000 (.81) $27,016,000 (.73)

Teledyne Inc (3rd Q)
$846,400,000 a-$875,800,000
b-$9,100,000 (.17) $43,500,000 (.79)
a-Restated to reflect the sale of Teledyne's
insurance and finance subsidiaries and are
adjusted for a five-for-one stock split.
b-Income from continuing operations.

Unitrin Inc (3rd Q)
$308,000,000 $273,400,000
$41,400,000 (.75) $34,600,000 (.62)

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MIAMI (OCT. 11) UPI - Burger King Corp., America's No. 2 hamburger chain, is poised to trim up to 400 people from its staff nationwide, including regional vice presidents and franchise operations managers, the Miami Herald reported Thursday.

The newspaper said 300 to 400 workers could be affected by the cuts, which would represent the second such round of layoffs since the fast- food giant was acquired by Grand Metropolitan PLC in January 1989.

Burger King spokeswoman Cori Zywotow declined comment on the report.

Burger King employs about 41,000 workers nationwide, including more than 1,000 at its south Florida headquarters and in its regional offices.

Grand Met cut Burger King's corporate staff by 550 employees in April 1989, including about 100 workers at its headquarters south of Miami.

The reductions left the company with a headquarters staff of about 450 and a field staff of about 580, Burger King said at the time.

Grand Met acquired Burger King's parent company, The Pillsbury Co. of Minneapolis, for $5.75 billion, and later named Barry J. Gibbons chief executive officer of the fast-food operation.

Since then, the company has worked to bolster flagging sales and profits at Burger King by introducing new menu items, such as a broiled chicken sandwich and salad dressings by actor Paul Newman, and with new promotional campaigns, such as Kids Club. Zywotow said 2.7 million children have joined Kids Club.

''We have had sustained, steady growth over the last year. We have had an extremely profitable year,'' Zywotow said.

Burger King and its franchisees operate more than 6,000 restaurants. The company posted sales in excess of $5.7 billion for the year ended Sept. 30, 1989.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.)

139.00-142.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 43.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 54.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $250.00-$270.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $452.00-$459.00; dealer- approx., $452.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $108.00-$114.17 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 293.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00-82.00 c-lb.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney will travel to Moscow next week, his first visit to the Soviet Union as head of the Defense Department, and will meet with senior Soviet officials, the Pentagon said Thursday.

Cheney will also stop in London and Paris to confer with British and French government officials during his trip.

The Pentagon said Cheney will leave Washington Saturday, arriving in London later that day. He will meet with Defense Minister Tom King and other senior British officials and will depart London Tuesday for Moscow.

From Tuesday to Friday, Cheney will meet with Soviet Defense Minister Dmitri

Yazov, who visited the United States last year, other senior Soviet officials and ''leading Soviet citizens,'' the Pentagon said.

Cheney is scheduled to leave Moscow next Friday for Paris, where he will spend three days meeting with French Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement and other senior French officials.

He is to leave Paris and return to Washington Oct. 22.

The Pentagon said discussions in each country will ''focus on key bilateral, regional and strategic matters of mutual interest.''

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(OCT. 11) UPI - The 1990 Nobel Prize for Literature went to Octavaio Paz of Mexico. The Swedish Academy made the announcement this morning, praising the poet-essayist and writer for ''impassionate writing with wide horizons.'' His first collection of poems was published during his teens. But at 76, Paz remains active as a writer, critic and visiting lecturer at Harvard Unversity.

Tropical Storm Marco sent heavy rain and strong winds slamming into Florida's Gulf Coast today. Officials say a small plane flipped over at Venice Airport in Sarasota County amid 62 mile-an-hour winds. A Sarasota man is in serious condition after a tree fell on his car. Governor Bob Martinez closed state offices today in Sarasota, Manatee, Pinellas, Hillsborough and Pasco counties.
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At last report, Tropical storm Marcos was just south of St. Petersburg, Florida.

A U-S chartered jet is in London with 386 people who fled Iraqi- occupied Kuwait. It was the first U-S airlift in nearly three weeks. The British Foreign Office says 142 Americans were on the Iraqi Airways jet that landed at London's Gatwick Airport. They leave later today for Raleigh, North Carolina. Officials say Westerners aboard the flight were women and children.

Junk bond king Michael Milken appears in a New York courtroom today where prosecutors may call his business associates to testify. Milken pleaded guilty last April to conspiracy and securities fraud. Prosecutors hope to use evidence of alleged crimes to which the ex-chief of Drexel Burnham Lambert's junk bond unit has NOT admitted, in order to get a heavy jail term. Milken was a key player in using junk bonds to fuel leveraged buyouts in the 1980's.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - Two Bolivian police officers died in an explosion at a U-S

military residence in La Paz. Witnesses say UNidentified gunmen with machine guns attacked what police describe as a U-S Navy residence housing Marines. A Pentagon spokesman in Washington say officials are aware of the attack, but NO details were available. Bolivian authorities say the force of the blast broke windows in nearby buildings and shook the neighborhood.

The Vietnamese-backed Cambodian government wants a new meeting of a joint council of resistance groups to settle a dispute on who will lead the council. The Supreme National Council is viewed as a key part of a U-N plan to end the 11-year-old Cambodia conflict. The council includes six Phnom Penh government representatives and six resistance members. The council was deadlocked when the resistance insisted Prince Sihanouk chair the group.

Voters in Egypt went to the polls today to decide whether to back President Mubarak's plan to dissolve Parliament and hold new elections in two months. Observers say Mubarak's referendum will likely pass by a wide margin. Egypt's Supreme Constitutional Court ruled last May that 1987 elections were UNconsitutional because too many of Mubarak's ruling party members were elected. Egypt's constitution reserves seats for workers and farmers on a non-partisan ticket.

A new twist on the coffee debate. Scientists report that a study of 45-thousand men found NO evidence that coffee increases the risk of heart disease or stroke. The findings were published in the New England Journal of Medicine. The results clash with a recent California study indicating heavy coffee consumption increases heart attack risk by 40 percent.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - West Palm Beach, Fla., is projected to experience America's fastest pace of economic growth to the year 2000 along with other metropolitan areas in the Sun Belt, the Commerce Department said Thursday.

But cities in the Northeast and Great Lakes regions are expected to lag behind their Southern and Western cousins.

Phoenix, Orlando, Riverside-San Bernadino, Calif., San Diego, Sacramento and Tampa are also projected to lead the nation in income, population and jobs, according to the department's Bureau of Economic Analysis.

''West Palm Beach is projected to have the nation's fastest growth in total personal income, population and jobs,'' the Commerce Department said. ''Phoenix is projected to have the second fastest growth in total personal income and the third fastest growth in population and jobs.''

The West Palm Beach metropolitan area includes the communities of Boca Raton and Delray Beach.

Anaheim, Calif., Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Atlanta, Seattle, Jacksonville, Fla., and Oakland, Calif., are also expected to experience growth ''well above the national average,'' the department said.

''Metropolitan areas projected to have the fastest growth in total personal income, population and jobs are primarily in the South and West, and metropolitan areas projected to have the slowest growth are in the Northeast and Great Lake regions,'' the government said.

But economically ailing New Orleans is projected to experience a 0.1 percent decline in population to the turn of the century, the only major metropolitan area expected to lose people.

''Among the nation's seven largest metropolitan areas - Los Angeles, New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit, Boston and Washington - only Los Angeles and Washington will have economic growth above the national average to the year 2000,'' the Commerce Department said.

''Nearly 19 million new jobs are projected for the nation by the year 2000,'' the department said. ''Los Angeles and Washington are projected to gain more than one-half million jobs each,'' the department said.

San Francisco, the New Jersey counties of Bergen, Passaic, Middlesex, Somerset and Hunterdon, and the New York counties of Nassau and Suffolk, will continue to maintain the nation's highest per capita income, the government said.

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#90284u0932 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 11) UPI - The Swedish Academy today awarded the 1990 Nobel Prize for Literature to Octavio Paz of Mexico. The academy cited Paz for what it termed his ''impassionate writing with wide horizons.'' A spokesman said the 76-year-old author's writing ''is characterized by sensuous intelligence and humanistic integrity.'' Paz published his first collection of poetry in his teens and remains active today as a writer and critic and visiting lecturer at Harvard.

A chartered Iraqi jetliner arrived in London this morning in what may be the last evacuation of Westerners from Iraq and Kuwait. The flight carried 386 women and children, most of them U-S citizens. Its departure from Baghdad was delayed last night when Iraqi authorities searched passengers and baggage and took their time with paperwork. Most of the 142 Americans aboard the plane were scheduled to leave London later today for Raleigh, North Carolina.

Residents of the Tampa-St. Petersburg, Florida, area are using umbrellas if they are doing any walking outside this morning. The area is being pounded by rains from Tropical Storm Marco, the first to roll over Florida this year.

Although the storm is centered just to the southwest of Tampa-St. Petersburg, the storm-force winds reach out 175 miles to the west and 60 miles to the east.

The idea of a common trade market stretching across the entire Western Hemisphere is under discussion in Venezuela today. Nine Latin American presidents have gathered to discuss an idea proposed on June 27th by President Bush. The United States and Canada are already covered by a free-trade zone and Mexico has begun talks with Washington to come up with something along the same lines.

Students planned to picket the Yale Law School and boycott classes today in a protest called by leaders who want to call attention to the treatment of minorities by the school and New Haven, Connecticut, police. Protest leaders say black law students at Yale have been angered and worried by a series of racial incidents on the Ivy League campus. Black Yale students have complained about racist graffiti and of being stopped without cause by police near the campus.

A congressional study released this morning indicates that some of the best-known travel routes around the Earth may be too risky for future use because of all the man-made junk orbiting the planet. The list includes everything from spent rocket stages to paint flakes. And the problem is that something as small as a piece of wire can do considerable damage if it hits a spacecraft at high speed.

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(OCT.11) UPI - The average school bus gets a measly six miles per gallon, and skyrocketing fuel prices are causing budgetary headaches for school systems all across the country.

For instance, the National School Transportation Association, the trade association for companies that contract with localities to provide transport services, said in a school district the size of Los Angeles, each increase of 1 cent per gallon translates into an extra $100,000.

In Fairfax County, Va., home of the nation's largest publicly owned fleet of school buses, the bill for 1,300 vehicles covering 12 million miles will be $1 million more this year than originally budgeted.

And in Mississippi, the legislature trimmed $6 million from the school transportation budget this year, but gas price hikes are now costing the state $9,000 a day more than anticipated.

''We have a real problem,'' said Andy Mullins, an assistant to the state superintendent of public education, because nothing can be done until the legislature meets in January. If prices rise another 20 cents, he said many

districts will be out of money by Christmas.

One saving grace: Because they are tax exempt, public schools don't have to pay state and federal taxes on gasoline. But even those who planned ahead have problems. Chesterfield County, Va. got gas for 50 cents per gallon last year, budgeted for 80 cents per gallon this year, and is currently paying $1.03 per gallon.

In New York, gas service is awarded on a state contract basis, but price rises are still causing trouble. John Stewart, superintendent at Poland Central School in Herkimer County said, ''I suspect there's not a school budget in this state that was created anticipating this crisis.''

Stewart said some planned expenditures, such as supplies, spring events, and field trips may have to be postponed, he said.

At the Raquette Lake Union Free School District in Hamilton County, N.Y., superintendent Pete Eckhardt said the school had a locked-in contract for gas, so prices have not gone up. He's sure, however, next year's price will rise to make up for the locked prices this year.

The NSTA, based in Springfield, Va., said the nation's 372,000 school buses travel some 3.5 billion miles a year, and that nearly a billion gallons of fuel will be used.

A recent association survey found gas prices up 23.1 cents in the Southwest, 26.9 cents in the Midwest, 28.1 cents in the Northeast, 34.2 cents in the West and 36.9 cent in the Southeast.

Shultz Transportation, a large private carrier in southeastern Pennsylvania, provides bus service for five area school districts.

Owner Colin Shultz said the price of regular unleaded gas has gone up 30 cents per gallon and the price of diesel fuel has risen by 50 cents per gallon since the Iraqi crisis began. He said that translates into an extra $720 a day, based on an increased cost of 8 cents per mile per vehicle.

''We're absorbing the loss right now, but we hope it (the crisis) will be just a little bump in the road in the fuel market and things will settle down in a few months,'' Shultz said.

Shultz said his company is locked into its contracts with the districts, and that although district administrators have been reasonable about making adjustments in the past, they too are ''being pinched'' by the overall downturn in the U.S. economy.

''We can absorb the loss for now,'' Shultz said. ''But we're a private carrier and you can't make money running a deficit month in and month out.''

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(OCT. 11) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Amcast Industrial (4th Q 8-31)	
$78,837,000	$80,703,000
d-$15,540,000	$2,514,000 (.35)
d-Deficit, includes provision of $16,578,000 (2.48)	
Amisco Indus (9 Mos 8-31)	
$20,241,000	$23,616,000
a-$1,673,000 (.38)	$1,317,000 (.30)
a-Income from continuing operations.	
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Bank of New Hampshire (3rd Q)	
....	....
d-$3,983,000	$1,902,000 (.56)
d-Deficit.	
BSD Bancorp (3rd Q)	
....	....
a-$1,157,000 (.31)	$937,000 (.27)
a-Income from continuing operations.	
Commercebancorp (3rd Q)	
....	....
$950,000 (.46)	$867,000 (.47)
Compucom Systems (3rd Q)	
$88,732,000	$72,850,000
$1,066,000 (.04)	$442,000 (.02)
Fab Indus (3rd Q)	
$46,077,000	$47,590,000
$3,051,000 (.93)	$3,218,000 (.98)
First Illinois (3rd Q)	
....	....
$5,417,000 (.20)	$4,998,000 (.18)
First Midwest Bancorp (3rd Q)	
....	....

$5,880,000 (.47) $5,612,000 (.45)

Gateway Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
$940,000 (.24) $1,552,000 (.40)

Genlyte Group (3rd Q)
$123,002,000 $123,432,000
$2,148,000 (.17) $2,842,000 (.22)

Heritage Fncl Serv (3rd Q)
....
$1,883,000 (.47) $1,731,000 (.43)

Iomega Corp (3rd Q)
$31,275,000 $27,698,000
$3,640,000 (.22) $3,029,000 (.18)

Lindsay Mfg (4th Q 8-31)
$26,877,000 $18,715,000
$1,725,000 (.55) a-$1,271,000 (.41)
a-Adjusted to reflect a three-for-two stock split paid in May 1990.

Mercantile Bankshares (3rd Q)
....
$15,920,000 (.57) $15,839,000 (.57)

Natl Heritage (4th Q 6-30)
$19,631,000 $21,799,000
d-$6,224,000 d-$1,036,000
d-Deficit.

NBD Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
$69,924,000 (.96) $62,833,000 (.87)

Nellcor Inc (1st Q 9-30)
$34,336,000 $30,302,000
$2,627,000 (.17) $2,484,000 (.17)

O'Sullivan Corp (3rd Q)
$49,037,000 $48,002,000
$3,262,000 (.20) $2,405,000 (.15)

Plasti-Line (3rd Q)
$21,631,000 $22,271,000
$269,000 (.07) $1,255,000 (.35)

Rowan Cos (3rd Q)
$86,157,000 $65,096,000
$7,420,000 (.10) d-$5,628,000
d-Deficit.

Russell Corp (3rd Q)
$193,789,000 $187,747,000
$20,997,000 (.51) $20,184,000 (.49)

Sherwin-Williams (3rd Q)
$638,532,000 $595,983,000
$46,746,000 (1.07) $41,598,000 (.96)

State-O-Maine Inc (2nd Q 8-31)
$24,573,000 $21,502,000
$983,000 (.20) $1,816,000 (.37)

Stryker Corp (3rd Q)
$67,636,000 $54,668,000
$5,650,000 (.24) $4,695,000 (.20)

Thomas Indus (3rd Q)
$116,953,000 $120,147,000
$3,101,000 (.30) $3,927,000 (.39)

Western Bank (3rd Q)
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$1,194,000 (.56) $982,000 (.46)

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BUDAPEST, Hungary (OCT. 11) UPI - The government Thursday announced cuts of $661 million in state subsidies for agricultural and other products in a long-awaited step toward Hungarian market reform.

The subsidies, once considered a pillar of the country's economic system, kept prices of certain goods artificially low but contributed toward inefficiency and placed a strain on the budget.

Under the announced cuts, subsidies for fertilizers and dairy products will be eliminated and price supports for other agricultural goods will be scaled back over the next year.

The Democratic Forum government elected in the spring had been reluctant to reduce subsidies, fearing such a move would fuel inflation, now running at an annual rate of nearly 30 percent.

Government officials said the timing of the cuts was motivated by huge increases in energy prices, a disappointing grain harvest and a drop in trade with Hungary's former Eastern Bloc allies.

''The Hungarian economy has never been under such immense pressure in the 20th century as now, save for the Second World War,'' a government statement said.

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BONN, GERMANY (OCT. 11) UPI - Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal Thursday condemned Israel for Monday's shooting of 22 Palestinians on Mount Temple and called for an end to ''Israeli occupation of Arab lands'' and Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

''This incident is an abhorrent thing,'' Saud said of the Israeli police action against demonstrating Palestinians in downtown Jerusalem.

''It is abhorrent to the most elemental of human emotions,'' he told a news conference shortly before he was to meet with Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

''That's why the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait is so shocking to us, because it creates a division in the Arab world so that it weakens our ability to face the Israeli occupation of the Arab lands,'' he said.

But he said the international community should continue to pressure Israel into giving up the Gaza Strip and the West Bank.

''For the stability in the region, this situation has to be resolved. The continuation of Israeli policy, the continuation of the occupation of Arab lands has caused nothing but tragedy,'' he said.

Saud, who met Wednesday with Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher and President Richard von Weizsaecker during his two-day visit, brought along a list of weapons Saudi Arabia would like to buy from Germany.

German Defense Minister Gerhard Stoltenberg said Thursday Germany had no intention to sell weapons to Saudi Arabia at this stage but did not deny that a study on possible future sales was being drawn up.

He also refused comment on reports the sale of 100 German Gephard anti-aircraft tanks to Saudi Arabia had been approved by the German Federal Security Council.

Meanwhile, Kohl said in an interview published Thursday that Germany should urgently change its constitution to allow fdor the deployument of German troops to the Persian Gulf as part of a United Nations peace- keeping force.

The constitution only allows for German military activities within the North Atlantic Treaty Organization theater.

''It is very detrimental to the moral structure of our country, that we are world champions in exporting goods on one hand but that we duck international responsibility on the other,'' Kohl said.

''Outside the German borders, we cannot convince anybodyu any longer that our hands are tied by the constitution,'' Kohl said.

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#90284u0996 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

LJUBLJANA, YUGOSLAVIA (OCT. 11) UPI - The Slovenian leadership Thursday strongly reaffirmed commitment to a plan to transform Yugoslavia into a confederation of independent states, but indicated it might back international intervention to resolve the explosive crisis over the nation's future.

''It may well be true that the time is coming that the Yugoslav issue may be settled through some form of internationalization,'' said Slovenian Prime Minister Lojze Peterle, when asked if the republic supported a recently aired idea of an international conference.

He further signaled possible Slovenian approval of a Croatian proposal for deployment of international peacekeeping forces in potential hotspots if seething political disputes threaten civil war in the multi-ethnic nation of 23 million formed in 1918.

''As for peacekeeping forces, should this be an option that can prevent bloodshed, I certainly would advocate this approach as well,'' Peterle said.

Peterle was among nine ministers of Slovenia's administration who held a two-hour news conference as part of an intensive effort to generate national and international backing for their plan on overhauling the political structure of Yugoslavia following the demise of central communist rule.

Foreign Minister Dimitri Rupel also announced that Slovenia is trying to organize next year a conference of small European states, including those of the Baltic region, on forging a common stand on the restructuring of Europe.

The confederation plan calls for transforming the loose Yugoslav federation of six republics into a confederation of independent states with their own foreign policies and militaries, but linked by common economic interests and free trade.

The eight-member Yugoslav collective presidency is now considering the plan, submitted jointly by the governments of Slovenia and Croatia, formed by nationalist parties that trounced communists in April in the country's first

multi-party elections since the end of World War II in 1945.

Both want confederation because of fears of domination by Serbia, the largest republic and the only remaining substantial bastion of communist rule. Both have said they might consider secession if the confederation plan fails.

The Slovenian leaders reiterated their beliefs that the confederation idea is the best to meet Yugoslavia's needs, but Peterle criticized Serbia for refusing to negotiate.

Serbia wants to maintain the federal system, but with a more powerful central government. In need of Serbian nationalist votes in Dec. 9 assembly elections, Serbia's communists say they would want to absorb Serbian areas outside their republic in the event of confederation.

Croatia is charging that its Serbian minority is being instigated by Serbia's communists in a plan aimed at either defeating the confederation idea or laying the groundwork for claiming parts of its territory in a confederation.

Peterle reiterated the fears of many Yugoslavs that the political and ethnic tensions being generated by the controversies could ignite in civil war.

''Yugoslavia seems to be entering from one conflict into another conflict and each conflict seems to be graver than the previous conflict,'' he said.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 11) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Thursday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 62-68.

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#90284u1014 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
BANGKOK, THAILAND (OCT. 11) UPI - Vietnamese investigators have uncovered 6,305 cases of corruption this year, blaming them for heavy financial losses to the government, official radio Hanoi reported.

''Since early 1990, law enforcement agencies have discovered 6,305 cases of corruption involving losses amounting to as much as $18.7 million,'' said the

radio report broadcast Sunday and made available in translation Thursday.

The radio quoted the Army Newsapaper ''Quan Doi Nhan Dan'' as saying that most of corruption cases were misappropriation of socialist property, smuggling, illegal business transactions and tax fraud.

It said 4,772 individuals including 1,873 Communist Party cadres and government officials have been arrested.

''Most of the corrupt officials have abused their authority by collaborating with speculators and illegal traders to gain profit through selling,'' the radio said.

It said the corruption in the north involved smuggling of food supplies through seaways or border provinces for sale in China.

The radio said government agencies have been given bribes to allow smuggling of ''large quantities of tax-evading luxury goods'' in southwestern border areas.

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#90284u1017 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (OCT. 11) UPI - The Canadian Auto Workers union and General Motors of Canada Ltd. Thursday delayed by several hours an expected announcement on a settlement to resolve a number of outstanding local issues.

A strike by 36,500 CAW members at GM Canada was was called off just before midnight Wednesday, as union and company negotiators said a settlement was just hours away.

The talks were stuck on numerous local issues - including contract language on seniority provisions - at the GM's Oshawa, Ontario, complex where about 16,000 employees work at three assembly and two parts plants.

Union president Bob White said late Wednesday that the bargaining committee agreed ''unanimously'' to call off the strike.

White said details of a tentative settlement would be announced Thursday morning after the few remaining local issues were resolved.

The CAW now has scheduled a mid-afternoon news confernce during which it hopes to announce the details of the settlement, White said.

GM Canada spokesman Nick Hall said talks to resolve the local issues continued Thursday but were expected to be completed by early afternoon.

The CAW has 36,500 members who work at GM Canada's 12 assembly, fabrication,

trim and engine plants and several parts warehouses in Ontario and Quebec.

The settlement is expected to match the pattern earlier reached with Ford Motor Co. of Canada Ltd.

The pattern - accepted after a nine-day walkout - will give nearly 13,000 Ford Canada autoworkers raises of 3 percent in the first year and 2 percent in each of the second and third years, plus improved cost-of- living allowances.

The CAW also represents 11,300 workers at Chrysler Corp.'s Canadian subsidiary.

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#90284u1023 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

GENEVA (OCT. 11) UPI - U.S. farmers rejected Thursday any agreement on agriculture at the Uruguay Round free trade talks which excludes deep cuts in European Community export subsidies.

After two days of meetings talks with leading delegations to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade talks, American Farm Bureau Federation President Dean Kleckner said he was ''deeply disappointed'' at the EC position.

An EC offer to cut farm export subsidies by 30 percent - if the 12 member states can agree on even that figure next week - would be ''completely unacceptable,'' he said.

Next week Washington will propose a 90 percent reduction in export subsidies while offering to reduce its own domestic farm supports by 70 percent to 75 percent, Kleckner said.

A compromise would be unacceptable to American farmers, he said, because the EC would base a 30 percent cut over a 10-year period counting from 1986, meaning most of the reduction would have already occurred.

Kleckner said the Farm Bureau Federation's 3.8 million American member farmers support the U.S. government position that deep export subsidy cuts must be part of any agricultural accord and that an overall Uruguay Round agreement must include agriculture.

''No agreement is better than a bad agreement,'' he told a news conference.

When Kleckner was asked about Japan's demand that its rice market be exempt from a farm liberalization deal, he said that market ''is not a matter of life or death for American farmers.''

''But the Japanese rice market should be included as a matter of principle,'' he said.

The Uruguay Round, which began in 1986, is seriously threatened just seven weeks before its scheduled conclusion by the U.S.-EC split on farm trade as well as north-south deadlocks on trade in textiles and in services such as banking.

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#90284u1051 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 11) UPI - Stock prices closed lower in lackluster trading Thursday on the London International Stock Exchange as investors worried over tensions in the Persian Gulf and a more bearish outlook for major British firms' profits.

Stocks managed a rebound in Frankfurt.

In London, the blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 12.3 points Wednesday, lost another 19.6 points to 2,102.2. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 7.8 points to 1,618.9.

Volume amounted to around 361 million shares, down from 427 million that changed hands on Wednesday.

Market watchers, noting the light volume, said investors - whipsawed of late by surging oil prices, interest rate worries and rumors about the volatile situation in the Mideast on the one hand and euphoria over Britain's long-awaited decision to place the pound in the European Monetary System's exchange rate mechanism on the other - lacked conviction to buy shares.

Worries over underlying economic difficulties facing British industry overtook the bullish sentiment that set the tone for a rally earlier this week on the pound's entry into the ERM, analysts said.

Industrialists expect a period of slow growth despite the ERM move and bullish comments coming from the ruling Conservative Party's conference this week.

Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major repeated Thursday his forecast thatinflation will ''no doubt'' fall sharply in the next year but declined to give any specific forecast on when interest rates might ease.

The chancellor told the conference that Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's government will continue to pursue policies designed to bring down inflation and then will work to ''eliminate inflation entirely.''

At the moment, he warned, recent oil price rises ''have not fed fully through into the retail price index,'' but inflation can still be expected to fall sharply next year.

Major said any further reduction in interest rates ''depends on domestic

monetary conditions'' as well as a decline in inflation.

The chancellor also defended Britain's entry into the ERM, saying the move would bring down inflation and bolster the nation's economy in the long term.

Major's statements elicited little reaction on the market, with traders saying the main impact had taken place after the announcement of ERM entry last week.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Imperial Chemical Industries fell 23 cents to $15.76. Analysts noted that ICI was one of several blue chips to be hit by recent profit downgrades, reflecting the impact a weaker dollar would have on overseas earnings.

Glaxo fell 46 cents to $14.37 amid rumors Takeda Chemical Industries Ltd. of Japan is filing for permission to market an anti-ulcer drug in the U.S. and some European countries that would rival Glaxo's Zantac.

Elsewhere in the pharmaceutical group, SmithKline Beecham eased 4 cents to $10.54.

Guinness slipped 13 cents to $13.72 on a local brokerage scaling back its earnings forecast for the brewer.

Worries about strains on the U.S. banking system pushed Britain's largest banks lower. National Westminster fell 13 cents to $4.85, Barclays Bank lost 11 cents to $6.75 and Lloyds Bank fell 6 cents to $5.32.

Among some of the day's other highlights, fashion-house Laura Ashley rose 6 cents to $1.24, boosted by lower interest rates and an expected consumer spurt.

British Aerospace slipped 13 cents to $10.21, also on a profit downgrade.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices rebounded 1.5 percent in light trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, where the closely watched German stock index, which had fallen 58.42 points in the previous two sessions, closed ahead 21.27 points to 1,428.38.

Traders said stocks gained in part as a result of covering ''short'' positions following the two days of losses.

But analysts noted most large institutional investors remanined sidelined amid worries over the Middle East and global oil prices.

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ORLANDO, Fla. (OCT. 11) UPI - The cost of operating a new car has risen 3.4 cents a mile in the past year, the American Automobile Association said

Thursday.

The average motorist driving a new car in the United States now pays 34.5 cents a mile for the privilege, or $511 more on an annual basis than last year the AAA said.

A full penny of that increase has come since June 30, largely because of rising gasoline costs, the organization said.

A motorist's fixed costs - insurance, depreciation, registration fees, taxes and interest costs - accounted for $361 of the annual increase, the AAA said.

Higher gas prices boosted annual costs by an additional $150.

The AAA said a typical motorist now pays 9.6 cents a mile in operating costs, including the price of gas, oil, tires and maintenance, and an additional $10.26 a day in fixed costs.

Costs vary from region to region, however.

The AAA said motorists in New England paid the most to drive, at 36 cents a mile, while their counterparts in the Midwest paid the least at 33.4 cents.

In the Southeast, motorists paid 33.6 cents a mile, in the Great Lakes region they paid 33.8 cents, while in the Southwest, they paid 34 cents.

Motorists in the Mid-Atlantic region paid 34.9 cents a mile, while in the West they paid 35.4 cents.

The AAA said the average cost nationwide is based on a composite of the costs of owning and operating three domestic cars, driven 15,000 miles in a year. A Ford Escort LX, a Ford Taurus and a Chevrolet Caprice were used to determine the average cost, the AAA said.

Based on those factors, the AAA said the average motorist driving 15, 000 miles a year can expect to pay $1,425 in operating costs, and an additional $3,744.90 in fixed costs, for a total of $5,170.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - mixed.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 71-74.

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#90284u1063 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (OCT. 11) UPI - Moslem religious leaders Thursday rejected Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's appointment of a three-member team to investigate Monday's slayings of 21 Palestinians, saying the committee's aim was to keep information secret.

''The facts do not need committees or things to be proved,'' the Supreme Islamic Council said in statement. ''What can be proved is the blood which fell on the Al Aqsa Mosque (complex).''

The Islamic Supreme Council dismissed the investigation team as inadequate and said that if Israel is serious about an investigation, only judges or lawyers should be involved. The team of independent investigators appointed by Shamir is headed by a reserve general.

In its statement, the council said the committee's goals were to ''waste time '' obscure the facts, keep information secret and avoid placing blame for the deaths.

In Jerusalem's Old City Thursday, police dispersed hundreds of demonstrating Palestinians near the Temple Mount, Islam's third holiest site, where 21 Moslems were killed in rioting Monday.

Police fired tear gas to force the crowd of mostly young Palestinians, estimated at 200 to 300, away from an entrance to the Temple Mount, witnesses and Palestinian sources said. At least two people were arrested but no injuries were reported, police said.

The demonstrators, some covering their faces with keffiyehs and waving the Palestinian green, red, black and white flag, began their march from the Old City home of one of those killed by Israeli security forces Monday.

Other Old City marches ended without incident, including one from the Church of the Holy Sepulchre led by several prominent Palestinians to protest the deaths of 21 Moslems Monday at the Temple Mount.

The Dome of the Rock and Al Aqsa Mosque are on the Temple Mount, Islam's third holiest site known in Arabic as the Haram esh Sharif.

Since the violence and deaths, the Temple Mount has been closed to tourists and authorities maintainthat only Moslems who wish to pray may enter the complex. The Western Wall, Judaism's holiest site, stands below the Temple Mount and is the remaining outer retaining wall of the destroyed Jewish

Temples.

Monday, Palestinians threw hundreds of stones from the Temple Mount area over the Western Wall. Thousands of Jewish worshippers were in the Western Wall plaza when the violence began but most escaped injury and fled.

Along the Israeli-Jordanian border early Thursday, an Israeli military patrol detected shots fired from the Jordan River's eastern bank in Jordanian territory, military sources said. Searches near the Israeli town of Ashdot Ya'acov, just south of the Sea of Galilee, found nothing, the sources said.

There have been four incidents or infiltration attempts this year along Israel's border with Jordan.

In Jerusalem, no incidents were reported in the Jewish Quarter of the Old City or the Western Wall where hundreds of worshippers celebrated the last day of the Succot holiday, known as Simchat Torah. Dozens of police and paramilitary Border Police were deployed in the area while others kept watch from nearby rooftops.

The military maintained curfews on the entire Gaza Strip, major West Bank towns and most Palestinian refugee camps, confining more than 900, 000 Arabs to their homes. The West Bank towns of Ramallah, Tulkarm, Qalqilya and Hebron were declared closed military areas, preventing non- residents and journalists from entering.

Palestinian shops in East Jerusalem and West Bank towns not under curfew remained closed Thursday in observance of a general strike called in mourning for the slain Arabs. Residents of Israeli Arab towns returned to work Thursday after a two-day strike sparked by the slayings, but several incidents were reported by police.

In the Israeli Arab village of Taibe, masked men armed with knives entered a high school, ordered students to leave their classes and threatened teachers. Police arrested four people.

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#90284u1078 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

LA PAZ, BOLIVIA (OCT. 11) UPI - Gunmen bombed a building housing a unit of U.S. Marines and fought guards with small arms, killing one Bolivian agent and wounding another, police said Thursday.

In the second of two late Wednesday night bombings, a bronze monument to President John F. Kennedy was toppled to the ground and two bystanders wounded police said.

None of the Marines, who guard the U.S. Embassy when on duty, were injured in

the 11 p.m. attack on their home, a two-story mansion surrounded by a 5-foot brick wall and rows of pine trees that make the house barely visible from the street.

''Miraculously, they (the Marines) were unhurt,'' said Bruce Wharton, an embassy spokesman.

Radio Fides, the Catholic Church station, said it received a telephone call Thursday morning saying the attacks were carried out by the ''Nestor Paz Zamora Command'' against ''Yankee symbols.''

The U.S Embassy would not reveal the number of Marines staying at the building but press reports gave their number at 20.

Nestor Paz Zamora was the brother of incumbent President Jaime Paz Zamora and a former guerrilla, killed in 1970 in a battle in Teoponte, 150 miles southeast of La Paz.

Wharton said that in recent weeks the U.S. embassy has received threats from anonymous telephone callers saying they represented the ''ultraright, the ultraleft, and the narcotics traffickers.''

U.S. Ambassador Robert Gelbard in recent weeks has complained publicly that he has received reports that he and high Bolivian officials are the targets of alleged assasination plots by narcotics dealers.

Bolivia, after Peru, is the world's second producer of coca leaves, the raw material from which cocaine is manufactured.

Gen. Lucio Anez, commander of the Special Forces in the Fight against Narcotics Trafficking, said he has received reports from a ''reliable source'' about a plot by narcotics dealers to kill Gelbard, President Paz Zamora and other high officials.

Police said the raiders who bombed the Marine building opened fire from two vehicles before the bomb exploded at the corner of Villalobos and Republic Dominicana streets.

The guards returned the fire briefly before one of them, Jose Luis Mirando, was killed, and his companion, German Ulo Mamani, fell wounded. Mamani is now in a coma interned at the police clinic, police said.

Police commander Gen. Felipe Carvajal said his units were in a state of alert, searching for the blue Volkswagen believe used in the assault.

Shortly after the attack on the Marine barracks, a bomb exploded at a monument in La Paz to the late U.S. President John F. Kennedy, destroying part of the pedastal and toppling the bronze statue to the ground.

Two passers-by were injured in that attack, police said.

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#90284u1088 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

CARACAS, Venezuela (OCT. 11) UPI - Eight Latin American presidents meeting Thursday must make progress toward creation of a common market or the region will fall further behind in the face of a new world economic order, President Carlos Andres Perez said.

Perez spoke as the leaders prepared for two days of meetings focusing on plans for regional economic integration and a response to President Bush's call for a common hemispheric market, as well as other Latin American issues.

The meetings starting Thursday afternoon include Perez and the presidents of Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Argentina, Ecuador, Mexico and Uruguay.

The meeting of the ''Group of Rio'' was expected to focus on plans to combine the economies of the region into a single unit as the world faces a new economic order resulting from the fall of the communists blocks in Eastern Europe, the rise of a common economic unit in Western Europe in 1992 and the U.S.-Canadian trade alliance.

''We are now in front of a tremendous challenge,'' said Perez in a speech to the nation carried on a local radio station, ''the challenge of the formation of big economic blocks, like the European community, the free market established between the United States and Canada.''

He warned Latin America must ''adjust to this reality or we will face worse situations that those under which this region has lived in the past.''

The presidents also were expected to discuss a common response to the June 27 proposal by President Bush for a free trade zone in the hemisphere similar to that taking effect in Europe in 1992.

But one member of the Chilean delegation complained that despite the ''Bush Initiative,'' the United States was not prepared to enter into a free trade agreement.

''The U.S. told us, 'Don't get too excited (over the Bush proposal) because we are not in condition to complete it,''' said the Chilean official who asked not to be named.

Besides Perez, participating in the meetings were presidents Patricio Aylwin of Chile, Carlos Menem of Argentina, Fernando Collor de Mello of Brazil, Cesar Gaviria of Colombia, Carlos Salinas de Gortari of Mexico, Luis Alberto Lacalle of Uruguay and Rodrigo Borja of Ecuador.

Borja, pointing to the formation of economic blocks in the world, said: ''Not to do so (in this region) would be political and economic suicide for Latin America.''

Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori did not attend the meetings because congress did not approve his leaving the country.

Mexico has begun negotiations with the United States to form a free trade zone. Mexico and Chile also have agreed to negotiations for a free trade pact between the two nations to go into effect in 1995.

In South America, Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay and Chile have set a target date of Dec. 31, 1995, to form a common market.

The ''Group of Rio'' was formed four years ago in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, to seek peaceful solutions to conflicts in South America. It has since evolved into a forum to discuss other regional issues.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - The Metropolitan Museum has completed its 20-year master expansion plan with a $10 million European sculpture court and galleries that will open Nov. 6, it was announced Thursday.

Philippe de Montebello, director of the museum, described the new Carroll and Milton Petrie Court as ''a splendid utilization of space that enhances the interplay of shadow and light on large outdoor groups of sculpture, intensifying their tacticle richness and strength of form.''

Petrie, an 88-year-old chain clothing store tycoon, and his wife underwrote construction of the skylighted court in the French 18th century style of architecture in space between two recently constructed wings. It will be reached through the original 1888 carriage entrance of the museum, now restored.

De Montebello said the 240-foot-long court would bring together a substantial number of French and Italian lead and marble sculptural works from the 17th to 19th centuries that had hitherto been widely dispersed in the museum or kept in storage. Some works have been acquired recently with the new court in mind, he said.

The court, with a 44-foot-high glass curtain wall looking onto Central Park, will have a fountain and boxwood plantings that frame beds of begonias and a trellis wall with vines.

It connects with an arcade leading to four additional gallery areas featuring

smaller terracotta, marble and bronze sulptures and 18th century French tapestries.

''The court and its arcade and gallery complex enable the museum at long last to bring the diverse elements of its Euoprean sculpture and decorative arts collection together conveniently on the main floor and fuse them into a cohesive whole,'' Montebello said.

The Petries' gift provided the last major component of museum enlargment begun in the late 1970s by the architectural firm of Kevin Roche John Dinkeloo and Associates.

Other elements are the Robert Lehman, Michael C. Rockefeller, Sackler, American, Lila Acheson Wallace and Henry R. Kravis wings as well as the Temple of Dendur enclosure. These provided new space for the Lehman collection of European art, U.S. art and decoration, Oceanic and Oriental art, and 19th and 20th Century art.

In the same period various collections, notably the Egyptian and Middle Eastern collections, also have been reorganized and redesigned.

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#90284u1099 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

BAABDA, LEBANON (OCT. 11) UPI - Christian military leader Gen. Michel Aoun called on the United States to support a new dialogue toward national reconciliation which he said would take into consideration U.S. interests in the Middle East.

Aoun, 55, who has rebuffed the so-called Taif peace accord - an Arab- brokered plan to restore peace in Lebanon backed by Syria and supported by Washington - made his appeal during an interview with United Press International in his bunker in suburban Baabda southeast of Beirut.

The general refuses to recognize the Syrian-backed government of President Elias Hrawi and argues that the Taif accord, which essentially limits 40 years of Maronite Christian power, does not call for a speedy end of Syria's 14-year military role in Lebanon.

In seeking U.S. help, Aoun said: ''I would like to tell them (U.S. officials) that we understand their vital interests in the area and we are ready to adapt our policy to these interests.''

''We would like them to give us a chance to organize our country and to let us make a free dialogue around a negotiating table to achieve a Lebanese settlement of the crisis inspired by our own wishes,'' he said.

Aoun also said he did not fear a Syrian attack to oust him but regretted that

the Syrians backed a 14-day siege around the region he commands. Troops loyal to Hrawi have barred the entry of truckloads of food and gasoline into Aoun's region in efforts to force him into surrendering.

Beirut was split into two halves since the Christian-Moslem civil war broke out in 1975. The Christian sector was divided into two parts since Aoun launched a military campaign against the militia of Maronite warlord Samir Geagea last January.

But while Aoun strongly denounced Hrawi's government for coordinating with Syria, he acknowledged that he had sought to open dialogue with Damascus.

''We had exerted efforts to establish friendly relations with Syria,'' Aoun said adding ''but the Syrians backed the siege. We regreted that they continued to support that unpopular government,'' Aoun said.

The general had argued that the 70-member Lebanese Parliament failed to genuinely represent the nation on grounds that no parliamentary elections occured after the flare-up of the civil war in 1975.

Responding to whether he would be receptive in case Washington sought to reopen its embassy in Awkar, northeast of Beirut, Aoun said ''it was an American decision to leave Lebanon. They are welcome to return any time.

The United States evacuated the 30-member embassy staff in September 1988 after the mission's building was surrounded by hundreds of Aoun's followers, protesting U.S. reluctance to back Aoun's campaign against Syria.

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#90284u1101 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

BELFAST (OCT. 11) UPI - Hundreds of mourners under tight security attended the funeral Thursday of Dessie Grew, a high-ranking gunman of the Irish Republican Army killed with a fellow extremist in an ambush by British soldiers this week.

Grew, 37, who had been wanted in at least two dozen slayings linked to the IRA's drive to end British rule in Northern Ireland, was shot dead by British undercover troops Tuesday as he and fellow IRA volunteer Martin Mc Caughey walked across farmland near the village of Loughgall.

Hundreds of people, most of them IRA sympathizers, attended their funerals in Armagh, 45 miles west of Belfast.

But the presence of the mourners was matched by that of hundreds of security personnel, who manned roadblocks in armored cars and flew three helicopters equipped with video cameras to record the two ceremonies in Knockaconey village.

One man who scuffled with the officers was arrested.

Police were apparently intent on preventing Grew from being given a traditional IRA send-off of paramilitary gunmen firing shots over the coffin. Wednesday night, an IRA honor guard dressed in black berets and black uniforms fired a volley over Grew's coffin at his home, 2 miles from the village.

At the funeral at St. Patick's cemetary, an Irish flag was draped over the coffin and Grew's beret and black gloves lay on top of his casket.

Gerry Adams, president of the Sinn Fein, the political wing of the IRA, described Grew in a graveside speech as ''a freedom fighter, a patriot and a fine upstanding Irish citizen.''

''Those of us left to finish the unfinished business will do so,'' Adams pledged.

Grew's headstone will bear the inscription, ''may my blood serve as a seed for freedom.''

Another inscription in Gaelic will read, ''our day will come.''

Mc Caughey, 23, who had been wanted in nine killings, was later buried in St. John's church in Galbally, close to his home.

''After 21 years of tragedy, a solution seems as far away as ever,'' the priest officiating at the funeral said.

Police said the dead extremists were armed with Soviet-made assault rifles and that officers arrested three other people in a nearby farmhouse during the raid.

In Holland, a Dutch prosecutor said Grew's fingerprints had been found in an apartment used by an IRA cell whose members have been jailed in connection with the slaying of two Australian tourists last summer.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (OCT. 11) UPI - NATO nations on Thursday welcomed the agreement on conventional forces in Europe reached last week in New York, and western officials downplayed a Warsaw Pact split over tank levels.

A finalized agreement is strongly expected in time for signing at a 34-nation summit in Paris next month, though ''it's not yet a sure thing,'' said a senior western official close to the CFE talks in Vienna.

Inspection and verification issues still need to be resolved in time for the Nov. 19 Paris summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Several Warsaw Pact nations want the Soviet Union limited to 13,000 of the Warsaw Pact's 20,000-tank ceiling under the proposed CFE treaty, while the Soviet Union wants to retain 13,300 tanks.

''It is not disastrous that there is still some argument over 300 tanks out of a total of 20,000 in Eastern Europe,'' said a senior western official close to the CFE talks in Vienna.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, in New York last week, announced an agreement in principle on the CFE talks.

Ceilings for NATO and the Warsaw Pact would be 20,000 tanks and 20, 000 artillery pieces each, and 30,000 armored combat vehicles each.

A ''sufficiency'' rule would limit any one country to 33.25 percent of the total number of 40,000 tanks, which would come to 13,300 tanks.

''There's no good reason to hold up work on the treaty'' due to the Warsaw Pact's bickering over 300 tanks, said the senior western official.

NATO's High Level Task Force reviewed the agreement between Baker and Shevardnadze, and ''the results of what took place in New York were quite favorably received,'' the official said.

He said the western allies are in agreement on all major points, and dismissed the Warsaw Pact's Prague meeting as a ''little bit of a stumble, but not a major one, in the East.''

The CFE treaty will include ceilings in subregions within each side. As long as those subceilings were not threatened by Warsaw Pact differences, the squabble over 300 tanks could continue until just before the treaty was signed the official said.

When the treaty is signed, however, each side must turn over a list of country-by-country allocations - an exercise that would have been dictated from Moscow, for the Warsaw Pact, when the CFE talks began in March 1989.

''A year ago, if somebody said the Soviet Union and these countries would be arguing over allocation, you'd have said they were crazy,'' the official said.

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DALLAS (OCT. 11) UPI - Kimberly-Clark Corp. Thursday reported third quarter

earnings of $123.3 million, or $1.54 a share, compared with $108.8 million, or $1.35 a share, in the same period of last year.

Revenues totaled $1.57 billion, up 10.6 percent from $1.45 billion last year. The company had operating profit of $196.5 million in the third quarter, up 13.3 percent from $177.6 million last year.

Chairman Darwin Smith said much of the improvement in operating profit came from the personal care businesses in North America.

Operating margins were better than forecast because of strong performance in certain product lines and the elimination of Spruce Fallas Power and Paper Co. Ltd. from the consolidated results, the company said.

Last month, the company and The New York Times Co. jointly announced their failure to complete the sale of their equal interest in Spruce Falls, a newsprint company in Ontario, Canada, to Kruger Inc., which had been announced in June. In June, Kimberly-Clark took an after-tax charge of $44 million, or 55 cents a share, on the proposed sale.

For the nine months, the company had earnings of $320.9 million, or $4.01 a share, on revenues of $4.76 billion. In the same period of last year, earnings totaled $313.2 million, or $3.89 a share, on revenues of $4.27 billion.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 11) UPI - The African National Congress accused President Frederik de Klerk's government Thursday of endangering talks on ending apartheid, and a senior Cabinet minister predicted an alliance of whites and blacks could beat the ANC in a future non-racial election.

The ANC, charging Pretoria was breaching understandings reached in preliminary talks, said in a statement ''the government's undermining of efforts to achieve a genuine peace settlement places the whole negotiations process in jeopardy.''

It said recent actions by the government ''have forced both (ANC leader) Nelson Mandela and the African National Congress to call into question the integrity of F.W. de Klerk.''

Mandela told de Klerk of his misgivings when the two met Tuesday and ANC officials released details of the black leader's specific complaints. Among them were government demands that the movement surrender weapons amassed during a 29-year guerrilla war and a tough police crackdown on black factional violence.

But Constitutional Affairs Minister Gerrit Viljoen, the hands-on manager of de

Klerk's eight months of racial reforms, told reporters in Pretoria Thursday he had gained ''a new vision'' that saw whites and disaffected ANC members joining together.

Ruling out an alliance between the ruling National Party and the ANC because of ''fundamental differences,'' Viljoen said that with the unspecified combination of black and white voters he envisaged, ''There is no reason why we can't beat the ANC.''

He also repeated his prediction that full power-sharing negotiations would begin early next year, despite ANC charges of government deviation from agreements reached in peace talks.

The ANC statement objected mainly to Pretoria's demands over the past weeks that the movement surrender weapons caches. The statement noted the ANC had suspended but not abandoned its armed struggle against white minority rule on Aug. 6.

The ANC also criticized the continuing detention of executive member and leading communist Mac Maharaj, who was arrested July 29 on charges of fomenting a communist-led conspiracy should negotiations fail to bring about a non-racial constitution.

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SPRING HILL, Tenn. (OCT. 11) UPI - General Motors' Saturn Corp. began Thursday shipping the first truck loads of its highly touted import- fighting cars from its $1.9 billion plant as company President Richard ''Skip'' LeFauve promised no rebates would be used to spur sales.

Three Saturn models - a red coupe, silver sedan and another maroon sedan - were driven out the plant in Spring Hill, Tenn., by Saturn officers and Tennessee Gov. Ned McWherter amid loud cheers from hundreds of red-shirted Saturn workers, or ''team members.''

''I want you to print this,'' LeFauve told reporters as the cars - the fruit of a seven-year, $3 billion project by General Motors Corp. to domestically build a small car competitive with Japanese offerings - were loaded onto carriers. ''There will be no rebates. At these prices, we can't afford to put rebates on them.''

Last week Saturn announced a base price of $7,995 for the most inexpensive model, between $1,000 and $2,000 below most projections. At the top is the Saturn SC sports coupe at $11,775. Two other sedans are priced in between: the Saturn SL-1 sedan at $8,595 and Saturn SL-2 Sports Touring Sedan at $10,295.

Industry analysts have praised Saturn's pricing, although popularly ordered

extras like automatic transaxle and air conditioning reduce the advantage as prices enter the $10,000-$12,000 range.

''The big surprise about Saturn so far is how aggressive the price is,'' said Jack Kirnan of Kidder Peabody & Co. in New York. ''It is a way of trying to guarantee customer interest in the car, especially to those who have expressed a willingness to buy American if the price is there, the value is there, and the quality is there.''

Both LeFauve and Donald Hudler, Saturn's vice president of sales, service and marketing, said they expect Saturn to attract a high number of import-prone buyers as well as those considering other domestic brands including GM's Chevrolet and Geo nameplates.

''It will be plus business for General Motors,'' Hudler said, noting that the U.S. subcompact and compact market is about 4 million cars strong and that Saturn has already received requests for more information by 14,000 people since early September. ''Our philosophy is to underpromise and overdeliver.''

Saturn expects to have approximately 1,000 cars shipped or enroute to about 30 dealers, primarily in the South and West, by Oct. 25, the official sales date.

Some of those dealers may even offer prospective buyers comparison test drives with imports, an idea spawned by dealers, not Saturn, LeFauve said.

Saturn is now making about 75 cars a day, and will not reach its 240, 000-a-year capacity until late 1991, LeFauve said.

He declined to be specific about any sales goals for the first year, saying that quality, not volume, is the top priority at Saturn. ''We are not going to be judged on how many cars we have in showrooms on Day One or how many we sold the first year.''

Despite generous tax breaks ranging as high as 75 percent through the year 2025, Saturn officers have conceded that the company will not turn a profit until production is well into the 300,000-a-year rate after the plant undergoes an expansion in the mid-1990s.

LeFauve said Saturn's financial condition is confidential. ''All I can say is that we have made a committment to General Motors' board (of directors) to be profitable.''

''Building a small car profitably was the main mission for Saturn and still is '' industry analyst Kirnan said. ''But anytime you start a brand new company it is very difficult to make money. And I don't think anybody - Japanese automakers included - can make any money because the small car market has been in a recession since 1987.''

Kirnan said a slow, gradual production buildup is the best way for Saturn to control quality and publicity for the car, primarily aimed at Honda's successful Civic model.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 11) UPI - Corporations making cutbacks have shifted the focus of management layoffs - targeting younger managers and putting more value on the experience and loyalty of workers 50 and older, a leading employment consultant said Thursday.

''Increasing numbers of employers are apparently recognizing that experience and skills cannot be replaced, so they are retaining older workers rather than their less experienced younger counterparts,'' said James E. Challenger, president of Challenger, Gray and Christmas Inc.

Challenger said a review of the latest unemployment statistics provided by the Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics shows increasing numbers of younger workers are being laid off, while comparatively fewer older white-collar employees are losing their jobs.

''There has been a definite shift in focus of white-collar layoffs,'' said Challenger, whose firm specializes in helping unemployed managers find new jobs.

He said the latest statistics confirm a trend his company first detected in its quarterly survey of managers during the third quarter of 1984.

''Workers age 50 and over may become the workers of choice in the 1990s,'' Challenger said.

The older workers, besides being more experienced, have another big advantage, Challenger noted. They're generally cheaper.

''The older worker doesn't always have as high a salary as a younger worker,'' Challenger said.

Starting salaries for managers are considerably higher than they were 25 years ago, so laying off an older manager and promoting a younger worker to the job is likely to mean increasing the position's salary.

''Companies have to pay younger people more to keep them, and when they work into the same position held by an older worker, they tend to be earning more '' Challenger said.

''Twenty years ago, the emphasis was on a loyal, stable emplyee. Now a person moves to get ahead,'' he said.

''That's a big reason older workers are keeping their jobs and getting new jobs. Somebody who's 52 will be there until they retire, but you get somebody who's 35, you're lucky if they'll be there five years,'' he said.

In the past two years, he said, workers over 50 who have lost their jobs had an easier time finding new positions - usually at salaries equal to or higher than their previous jobs.

Through the mid-1980s, the length of job searches for older managers was considerably longer than for their younger counterparts. But Challenger said his company's quarterly surveys showed older workers closed the gap two years ago and the two groups have remained relatively even ever since.

''Sometimes it's a week longer, sometimes a week less, but finding new jobs is no problem for people over 50 anymore, except when they get to be around 65 it can be more difficult,'' Challenger said.

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 11) UPI - Calling the United Nations the ''central mechanism in building the new world order,'' the Soviet Union Thursday submitted a series of proposals to make the organization better able to deal with that task.

The proposals are contained in a memorandum on ''The United Nations in a Post-Confrontation World'' that was sent to Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar from Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

The letter was announced at a press conference by Deputy Foreign Minister Vladimir Petrovsky.

The proposals include enhancing the roles of the Security Council and secretary-general, while at the same time streamlining the activities of the General Assembly. The letter also called for reactivating the Security Council's Military Staff Committee, which was moribund throughout the Cold War.

The Soviets are not calling for any change in the U.N. Charter, Petrovsky said but rather are asking for changes in its functioning that will better enable the United Nations to realize its potential and meet new requirements.

The goal is to turn the United Nations into a ''global management center,'' Petrovsky said.

The proposals are unlikely to be popular among the non-aligned nations, because they involve a weakenning of the General Assembly - where all 159 members have an equal vote - and greater powers for the Security Council,

where the five permanent members possess veto powers.

The five are the Soviet Union, the United States, China, France and Britain, which are also the sole members of the Military Staff Committee.

Petrovsky said his government was prepared to send the chief of staff of its armed forces to meet with military leaders of the other permanent members to discuss how to provide the United Nations with the means of ''curbing aggression.'' The top brass should also discuss the Persian Gulf crisis, he said.

The Military Staff Committee was established 45 years ago but has been inactive ever since because of tensions among its members. A meeting along the lines that the Soviets are proposing could be the first step towards establishing a U.N. army.

The Soviets also want the Security Council's role to be extended to cover ''security in all its aspects,'' Petrovsky said. He listed the environment as a new issue the Security Council could deal with.

Meanwhile, the letter said the General Assembly ''should turn to practical action'' and make fewer and more productive decisions. It also called on member states to comply with the standards set in those resolutions, and said this was now becoming a rule for the Soviet Union. The General Assembly is often criticized for passing highminded statements that are rarely followed in the internal policies of its members.

The role of the secretary-general should be extended, particularly in regard with fact-finding missions, the letter said. The secretary- general does often lead or send fact-finding missions, but usually only after being authorized by the General Assembly or the Security Council.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

NYSE Stocks - Sharply lower in moderate trading. Bonds - Mostly lower. American Stocks - Sharply lower in moderate trading. London Stocks - Closed lower in lackluster trading. Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading. Dollar - Slightly higher against key foreign currencies. Gold Futures - Slightly higher. Cotton - Higher. Chicago Grain Futures - Higher. Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - The nation's major retailers Thursday reported poor September

sales, providing further evidence of the economy's recessionary trend, analysts said.

Lower spending reflected increased anxiety by consumers about job security, and inflation, particularly higher gasoline and heating oil prices caused by the Middle East crisis.

The trend is expected to continue at least for the rest of 1990, resulting in a poor Christmas season for retailers, marked by discounting and promotional activity, analysts said.

A few of the biggest names in retailing managed single-digit increases in same-store sales, compared with the same period last year, but many of those increases were still below the rate of inflation. Most reported figures for a five-week period ended Oct. 6.

For the second consecutive month, the top performer was Wal-Mart Stores Inc., of Bentonville, Ark., with a 9 percent increase in same- store sales and a $2.46 billion in total sales, up 24 percent from $1.98 billion in the same period of 1989.

Among the other top three retailers, Chicago-based Sears Merchandise Group, the nation's biggest retailer, reported a 4.4 percent increase in same-store sales, with a total sales figure of $3.1 billion - 4.2 percent above September 1989.

K mart Corp, of Troy, Mich., has just a 0.7 percent rise in same- store sales, with a total sales figure of $2.8 billion, up 10.2 percent from $2.5 billion. K mart's figures were for the five-week period ended Oct. 3.

Same-store sales exclude stores that were not open a year ago.

But other major firms reported declines in same-store sales. J.C. Penney Co. of Dallas had same-store sales fall 3.4 percent while total sales dropped 2.3 percent to $1.3 billion.

Limited Inc., of Columbus, Ohio, had a 3 percent decline in same- store results, although total sales increased 10 percent to $459 million. May Department Stores of St. Louis fell 1.8 percent in same- store sales, while total sales rose 3.5 percent to $901 million.

''Overall, this was a very disappointing performance, but not unexpected,'' said Kurt Barnard, publisher of Retail Marketing Report, a New York-based newsletter.

''I think that September sales show fear on the part of consumers about job security and fewer dollars available to them for discretionary purchases in stores and restaurants.

''Consumers today are worried about the way the economy is going. They now feel the very painful pinch of having to spend a lot more money for gasoline and heating oil.''

He said he expected a disappointing Christmas shopping season, with a lot of promotions as retailers try to move inventory.

Barnard singled out Wal-Mart as ''in a class by itself'' and pointed to The Gap, based in San Francisco, and Merry-Go-Round Enterprises of Joppa, Md., as other stand-out performers, with increases of 8 percent and 16 percent, respectively, in same-store sales.

The Gap and Merry-Go-Round had followed similar strategies, Barnard said, in targeting narrowly focused apparel markets. The Gap reported sales of $181 million, a 17 percent increase, while Merry-Go-Round's sales rose 24 percent to $54.8 million.

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PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (OCT. 11) UPI - A crowd of up to 30,000 people demonstrated Thursday for swift and stern action against the continued power of Czechoslovakia's Communist Party.

The protestors in Old Town Square sang ''If we are too nice to them they will smash us,'' and chanted ''Enough Velvet,'' a reference to last November's bloodless revolution and President Vaclav Havel's conciliatory policy towards the communists and the agents of their 42- year repressive regime.

The demonstration was an outburst of growing discontent over the slow pace of economic and political reform.

Czechoslovaks appear to have exhausted their patience with the bureaucratic and political footdragging and the entrenched interests who have kept their privileged positions from the communist era.

Earlier Thursday, the government announced it would ask Parliament to pass legislation permitting it to confiscate all Communist Party's property without remuneration.

The moves came amid irritation over televised remarks by Communist Party leader Vasil Mohorita, who said Czecholsovakia's package of market-oriented economic reforms meant the communists could no longer support Prime Minister Marian Calfa's coalition government.

''This is the end of the period of national understanding and now a very fierce and uncompromising struggle has begun,'' said Mohorita.

''We should also have greater influence in the trade union movement and we should reestablish cells in different enterprises, factories and workplaces,'' he said.

Mohorita's remarks were condemned by top political leaders and even by some communists.

The local Communist Party in Ostrava, a Communist stronghold and steel and mining center in North Moravia, said ''We refuse all speeches and opinions of this kind because they are not in accordance with our ideas.''

But the Party's central leaders said only that they disagreed with the way Mohorita made his remarks.

Jiri Michalik, president of the Communist Party of Bohemia and Moravia, said ''Comrade Mohorita has the right to his own opinion. Personally, I agree with the ideas of Comrade Mohorita but not with the way he said them.''

Thursday's demonstration was called by the Club of Engaged Non-Party Members, a rightist group of unaffiliated political activists.

Speaking from a balcony overlooking the square, Rudolf Pernicky, a World War II resistant who spent 11 years in uranium mines for opposing the communists, said: ''In 70 years, communism has killed 70 or 80 million people in the 19 countries where it ruled.''

The communists and their loyalists are widely thought to still control the Secret Police and the army officer corps and to have a network of supporters throughout business and government.

The demonstration was marked by an unforgiving attitude towards the communists and their 42 years of totalitarian rule.

Student Igor Cholm condemned the government's easy-going attitude towards the communists and told a roaring crowd: ''We shouldn't be carried away by the leftist lunacy of the government.''

Cestmir Cejka, deputy mayor of Prague, said ''Our biggest tragedy is that we were always willing to forgive. This may be our biggest fault. Now we must correct this fault. It is no time for forgiveness. We must judge their crimes.''

Other placards carried by demonstrators said, ''Outlaw the communist murderers and theives,'' and ''Reap what you have sown Vasil Mohorita.''

Some placards even called for the ouster of former communists who have joined the reform movement. ''Outlaw ex-Communists Calfa, Vacek and Dubcek,'' read a

sign referring to Prime Minister Marian Calfa, Defense Minister Miroslav Vacekand Federal Assembly Chairman Alexander Dubcek.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 11) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	79.00	79.05	78.50	78.52	79.20
Dec	75.80	76.05	75.12	75.22	75.87
Feb	73.90	74.10	73.47	73.57	74.07
Apr	74.90	75.12	74.65	74.85	75.07
Jun	72.75	72.77	72.40	72.50	72.70
Aug	71.15	71.17	70.75	70.75	71.07
Oct	71.30	71.30	71.10	71.10	71.30

Est. sales 19,307 contracts; Wednesday 16,967; open interest 69,121 off 648.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	87.75	87.90	87.35	87.37	87.70
Nov	86.10	86.25	85.15	85.37	86.17
Jan	84.95	84.95	83.95	84.30	84.95
Mar	82.85	82.95	82.40	82.50	83.05
Apr	82.52	82.60	82.15	82.15	82.70
May	81.65	81.75	81.25	81.37	81.70
Aug	81.50	81.50	81.00	81.00	81.55

Est. sales 2,051 contracts; Wednesday 1,679; open interest 11,539 up 51.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	56.70	56.85	56.15	56.52	56.57
Dec	54.00	54.55	53.75	54.10	54.27
Feb	51.20	51.85	51.20	51.60	51.32
Apr	48.05	48.45	47.90	48.22	47.97
Jun	52.00	52.20	51.90	51.95	51.75
Jly	....	52.40	52.17	52.40	52.15
Aug	....	50.65	50.40	50.65	50.40
Oct	....	....	46.10	46.15	46.10

Est. sales 5,314 contracts; Wednesday 5,462; open interest 26,849 off 502.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	63.40	64.72	63.30	64.40	63.40
Mar	63.25	64.40	63.10	63.07	64.32
May	63.25	64.25	62.95	64.15	63.15
Jly	62.50	63.60	62.40	63.05	62.00
Aug	61.00	62.80	61.00	62.80	61.80

Est. sales 3,990 contracts; Wednesday 4,301; open interest 7,960 up 99.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 123.41 down 20 cents, 700-850 lbs. 122.67 down 33 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 115.55 down 43 cents, 700-850 lbs. 114.53 down 16 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts not fully established; skinned hams $2.00 higher; seedless bellies generally steady; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 116.00-118.00; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 86.50; hams, 17-20 lbs. 103.00- 104.00, 20-26 lbs. 99.00-104.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 55.00-56.00; 12-14 lbs. 56.50-57.00; 14-16 lbs. 55.00-56.00 16-18 lbs. 55.00-58.00.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (OCT. 11) UPI - The shuttle Discovery came through its four-day flight in above-average condition, but engineers are looking into why the ship's critical computer system was improperly set up before launch, officials said Thursday.

While the shuttle's crew caught and corrected the problem shortly after reaching orbit last Saturday, NASA managers want to make sure they understand what caused the glitch in the first place so steps can be taken to prevent it from happening again with perhaps more serious results.

With Discovery back on the ground in California, engineers at the Kennedy Space Center Thursday readied the shuttle Atlantis for a midnight trip to launch pad 39A and work to prepare the ship for blastoff around Nov. 7 on a secret military mission.

Once Atlantis is mounted on the launch stand, the leak-plagued shuttle Columbia will be hauled to nearby pad 39B for additional tests to pin down the source of crippling hydrogen fuel leaks that have grounded the ship since May 30.

Discovery and its five-man crew glided to a picture-perfect landing Wednesday at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., to close out NASA's first shuttle flight in nearly six months. The mission was highlighted by the successful launch of the European-built Ulysses solar probe.

John ''Tip'' Talone, the Kennedy Space Center engineer in charge of Discovery's launch processing, said in a telephone interview from Edwards that the shuttle came through its ground-shaking launch and fiery re-entry in good condition with only a handful of minor problems.

Only 10 to 15 heat-shield tiles will need to be replaced because of in-flight

damage and the shuttle's beefed up carbon brakes showed no signs of wear after their second landing in a row, a major improvement over previous brake performance.

''They're in excellent condition,'' Talone said.

The shuttle's three main engines also appear to be in good shape and if all goes well, Discovery, bolted to the back of a 747 jumbo jet, will be flown back to the Kennedy Space Center early next week.

Discovery blasted off last Saturday at 7:47 a.m. EDT. Shortly after reaching orbit, the astronauts began configuring the ship's flight computers for routine space operations.

The computers are able to operate various shuttle systems through electronic ''black boxes,'' but they must be told which systems are assigned to which computer. Programmed ''assignment tables'' are loaded into on-board memory units before launch and called up after the ship reaches orbit.

In Discovery's case, the assignment tables were improperly configured, that is at least one computer was not assigned to the expected subsystems. The astronauts quickly caught and corrected the glitch, officials said.

The problem apparently cropped up Oct. 4, two days before liftoff, when engineers were forced to reload computer programming into the electronic brain aboard the Ulysses probe.

In the process of reloading that software, a decision that was extensively debated by top NASA managers, subtle changes were made in the shuttle's assignment tables that were not caught.

''It is a really minor thing,'' said shuttle engineer Chris Fairey. ''It turned out to be a non-problem.''

But a special team of engineers was formed to look into the glitch to make sure similar problems do not occur again.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady, in a letter released Thursday, asked Congress for $40 billion to keep the government's bailout of the savings and loan industry from shutting down within two months.

The request came as the White House and Congress battled over a plan to trim the federal budget. Brady called the request ''fully consistent with the budget resolution, which assumes sufficient funding.''

Brady said the money would keep the Resolution Trust Corp., charged with selling the assets of failed thrifts, operating through the end of fiscal 1991. He also recommended the lifting of limits on short-term borrowing by the RTC.

''To prevent a termination of RTC case resolutions, Congress must provide additional RTC funds and address the borrowing cap issue before it adjourns,'' Brady said in the letter to Sen. Donald Riegle, D-Mich., chairman of the Senate Banking Committee.

Brady also noted that the ''RTC projects it will use nearly all - about $49 billion - of the $50 billion in loss funds'' provided through the end of calender year 1990.

''Forty billion dollars in appropriations beyond currently authorized spending should be sufficient to fund the losses in RTC case resolutions through the end of fiscal year 1991,'' Brady said in the letter dated Oct. 10.

Without the added funds, ''RTC case resolutions will virtually cease within the next two months,'' he said.

Calling the behemoth thrift bailout ''a mandatory federal obligation, '' Brady said the estimate was also consistent with recent congressional testimony by William Seidman, chairman of the RTC and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

''As the end of the session draws near, the public interest requires that we proceed in a bipartisan manner to assure that the RTC can continue with its important work,'' Brady said.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell says higher tax rates for wealthier Americans will NOT be part of the revenue package that top Senate leaders are putting together. His comments follow a meeting with other lawmakers this morning. It comes one day after the House Ways and Means Committee approved its own version of a five-year, 144-point-two-BILLION-dollar tax increase. Mitchell says he still holds to his 1986 position that the tax codes place too much of a burden on middle-income taxpayers.

Tropical Storm Marco and the remnants of Tropical Storm Klaus have drenched parts of the South with more than seven inches of rain. Flash flood watches are in effect in Georgia today. Seven-point-seven inches doused Hinesville in the eastern part of the state. Emergency officials have ordered evacuations in parts of South Carolina and high winds are kicking up big waves on the Outer Banks of North Carolina.

Other than producing torrents of rain, Marco appears to be diminishing. The

National Weather Service in Miami says the tropical storm's top sustained winds have dropped to 50 miles an hour as it nears Clearwater. Storm watches and warnings have been discontinued along the east coasts of Florida and Georgia.

Although he was a candidate for the Nobel Literature Prize throughout the 1980's, Mexican author and poet Octavio Paz says he NEVER expected to win. The Swedish Academy today awarded the Harvard University guest lecturer the 1990 Nobel Prize in Literature, citing his ''impassionate writing with wide horizons.'' Interviewed in New York, Paz- whose best know book, ''The Labyrinth of Solitude,'' was written in 1950- told a Mexican television station, ''I was NOT expecting this.'' Paz says his prize is to have readers.

Defense Secretary Cheney leaves on Saturday on a journey that takes him to London, Paris and Moscow for talks with top government officials in all three countries. He will be back in Washington on October 22nd. The Pentagon says the series of talks will focus on what are called ''key matters of mutual interest.'' The Moscow stop is Cheney's first since taking over as Defense Department chief.

Iran and Iraq have resumed talks on normalizing relations and reopening embassies closed when the two began an eight-year war in 1980. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein gave in to all of Iran's demands for a durable peace in mid-August as he faced growing world opposition to his invasion of Kuwait and found he had few supporters. Saddam pulled Iraqi troops out of Iranian territory and the former enemies began returning prisoners of war they have held for years.

A laundry truck collided with a schoolbus carrying 51 junior high school students in Lakewood, Colorado, today, injuring 10 of the children. Police say the truck apparently ran a red light and slammed into the rear of the schoolbus. The bus was pushed sideways about 50 feet before it came to a stop, but the injuries appeared to be mostly minor sprains and bruises.

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(OCT 11) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Alcan Aluminium (3rd Q)	
$2,238,000,000	$2,188,000,000
a -$97,000,000 (.41)	b-$180,000,000 (.77)

a-Includes a gain of $19,000,000 from the sale of part of its interest in Nippon Light Metal Co.
b-Includes a gain of $6,000,000.

Analogic Corp (4th Q 7-31)
$36,615,000 $37,825,000
$3,190,000 (.22) $2,538,000 (.17)

Chemical Banking (3rd Q)
....
ad-$43,700,000 bd-$824,600,000
ad-Deficit, after a charge of $18,800,000 to establish a reserve related to Chemical's exit from its international securities trading business in Switzerland and Japan. Also includes earnings of $22,900,000 at Texas Commerce Bancshares.
bd-Deficit, after a net loss from Texas Commerce Bancshares of $372,400,000.

Eldorado Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
$846,000 (.31) $1,027,000 (.37)

Frish's Restaurants (1st Q 9-23)
$45,455,000 $45,151,000
$779,000 (.14) $866,000 (.16)

Health Care Prop Inv (3rd Q)
$18,238,000 $15,735,000
$10,009,000 (.87) $7,634,000 (.83)

Hilton Hotels (3rd Q)
$260,100,000 $248,500,000
$21,900,000 (.45) $28,100,000 (.58)

Jaco Electronics (Year 6-30)
$79,947,000 $62,578,000
$246,000 (.15) $1,141,000 (.78)

Kaydon Corp (3rd Q 9-29)
$39,783,000 $36,659,000
$6,285,000 (.73) $5,494,000 (.64)

Keane Inc (3rd Q)
$23,214,000 $19,546,000
$1,376,000 (.29) $899,000 (.23)

Kimberly-Clark (3rd Q)
$1,575,100,000 $1,452,700,000
$123,300,000 (1.54) $108,800,000 (1.35)

Pope, Evans & Robbins (3rd Q)
$26,758,000 $22,122,000
$653,000 (.03) a-$774,000 (.04)

a-Includes income tax credits of $850,000.

Salem Carpet Mills (3rd Q 9-29)
$108,475,000 $117,559,000
$1,068,000 (.13) $2,026,000 (.25)

Synovus Financial (3rd Q)
....
$8,826,000 (.27) $7,784,000 (.24)

Westwood One (3rd Q 8-31)
$38,764,000 $36,043,000
d-$3,101,000 d-$9,023,000
d-Deficit.

Williamette Indus (3rd Q)
$483,628,000 $485,556,000
$31,274,000 (1.24) $52,883,000 (2.08)

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CHICAGO (OCT. 11) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.75 1/2	2.75 1/2	2.69 1/2	2.71 1/4	2.76 1/4
Mar	2.88 1/2	2.89 1/2	2.83 1/2	2.85 1/2	2.90 1/4
May	2.95 3/4	2.96	2.91	2.92 3/4	2.96 1/2
Jly	2.99 1/4	2.99 1/4	2.95	2.97	3.00
Sep	....	....	....	3.01 1/2	3.04
Dec	....	....	....	3.12	3.15
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.34 1/2	2.35 1/4	2.32 1/2	2.32 3/4	2.35 1/2
Mar	2.44 1/4	2.44 1/4	2.41 1/2	2.41 3/4	2.44 3/4
May	2.49 1/4	2.49 1/2	2.47	2.47 1/2	2.50
Jly	2.52 3/4	2.53	2.50 1/2	2.51 1/4	2.53 3/4
Sep	2.50	2.50 1/4	2.47 1/2	2.47 1/2	2.50 3/4
Dec	2.52 1/2	2.52 1/2	2.49	2.49 1/4	2.53 1/2
Mar	2.57	2.57	2.55 1/2	2.55 1/2	2.59
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.22 1/2	1.22 3/4	1.19 1/2	1.19 3/4	1.23
Mar	1.32 1/2	1.32 3/4	1.30	1.30	1.33 1/4
May	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.37	1.37	1.39 3/4

Jly	1.45 1/4	1.45 1/4	1.42 3/4	1.42 3/4	1.45 1/4
Sep	....	....	....	1.49 1/2	1.51 1/2

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	6.25	6.26 3/4	6.20	6.20 1/2	6.25
Jan	6.39 3/4	6.41 1/4	6.35	6.35 1/2	6.39 3/4
Mar	6.51	6.53 1/2	6.47	6.47 3/4	6.51 1/2
May	6.60 1/2	6.63 1/4	6.57 1/2	6.57 3/4	6.61 1/4
Jly	6.69	6.70 3/4	6.65 1/2	6.65 3/4	6.68 3/4
Aug	6.62 1/2	6.64	6.60	6.60	6.62
Sep	6.36	6.40	6.35	6.35	6.30
Nov	6.20 1/2	6.26	6.20 1/2	6.22 1/4	6.19
Jan	....	....	....	6.32 1/2	6.29 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Oct	22.14	22.28	22.02	22.10	22.14
Dec	22.40	22.61	22.36	22.39	22.38
Jan	22.70	22.86	22.62	22.65	22.66
Mar	23.10	23.27	23.08	23.08	23.05
May	23.55	23.60	23.43	23.45	23.40
Jul	23.75	23.77	23.60	23.67	23.60
Aug	23.75	23.75	23.55	23.55	23.60
Sep	23.60	23.60	23.45	23.47	23.45
Oct	23.06	23.15	23.05	23.15	23.15
Dec	22.95	23.05	22.95	23.05	22.97

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	187.50	187.50	184.50	184.60	187.80
Dec	191.20	191.70	188.50	188.60	191.60
Jan	192.50	193.00	190.50	190.60	192.80
Mar	194.50	195.00	192.70	192.80	195.10
May	194.50	195.00	193.00	193.20	195.40
Jul	195.30	195.90	193.50	193.60	195.60
Aug	192.70	193.00	192.70	192.80	193.00
Sep	188.90	189.50	188.50	188.50	187.50
Oct	184.10	185.50	184.10	185.50	184.00
Dec	185.00	185.50	184.80	185.50	184.10

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 16 to 21 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	10.02	10.05	9.66	9.81	9.99
May	10.03	10.04	9.75	9.86	10.02

Jly	10.03	10.03	9.75	9.85	10.02
Oct	10.06	10.06	9.77	9.85	10.06

Estimated sales: 22,209 contracts
Open interest: 111,090 off 619
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.83

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday 5 to 10 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.30	23.30	23.26	23.26	23.31
Mar	23.25	....	....	23.17	23.24
May	23.31	23.31	23.25	23.25	23.33
Jly	23.31	23.31	23.25	23.25	23.34
Sep	23.21	23.21	23.21	23.21	23.28
Nov	22.95	22.95	22.87	22.87	22.97

Estimated sales: 120 contracts
Open interest: 10,764 up 81

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McKEESPORT, Pa. (OCT. 11) UPI - In the sprawling, 140-acre former USX National Steel Works, the sons and daughters of steelworkers soon will be put to work. But metallized paper will replace the basic metal once forged inside the mill.

A ceremony Thursday marked the official opening of the Metallized Paper Corp. of America manufacturing facility, formerly known as Aluglas, the first major business to take space at the plant, which is being developed to accommodate new industry.

Metallized Paper is leasing 60,000 square feet of space in the center to manufacture and market aluminized paper board and metallized labels for the food, beverage and cosmetic industries.

The firm employs 20 workers already and plans to create 367 jobs - possibly as many as 1,000 jobs - and expand its operation to 140,000 square feet over the next three years.

The company has a patented technology and, with its new facility, will have the industry's most advanced wide web metallizing and coating equipment, officials said. Production is expected to begin soon.

The state has spent nearly $22 million to upgrade the long-empty steel mill in the heart of the city, improve access roads, water and sewer lines, and do environmental cleanup.

Gov. Robert Casey, who presented $1.25 million in state money for the Industrial Center of McKeesport, cited the project as an example of public investment that will shape the economy of southwestern Pennsylvania for the future.

''We're making these investments because we believe that government has an obligation to help create jobs and a responsibility to act as a full partner in revitalizing regions that have seen tough times,'' he said.

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#90284u1343 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - The Air Force, imposing a safety standdown, grounded its training flights in Saudi Arabia for 24 hours in response to three recent Air Force plane crashes that killed six airmen, the Pentagon said Thursday.

From noon Saudi time Wednesday until noon Saudi time Thursday, ''The Air Force declared a flying standdown for one day to conduct safety awareness meetings with Air Force pilots,'' Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said.

''They're concerned about the number of accidents that happened so quickly over a short period of time in the last few days,'' Williams said.

''I think what they want to do is get their pilots together and just once again stress the importance of safety, get together, see if there's anything on the minds of pilots,'' Williams said.

Army Col. Miguel Monteverde, a Pentagon spokesman, said the standdown did not affect air defense operations that includes five U.S. Airborne Warning and Control System, or AWACS, reconnaissance planes and some combat planes.

The Air Force has about 400 combat aircraft and 250 support aircraft in Saudi Arabia and the surrounding region.

An F-15E fighter from the 4th Tactical Fighter Wing crashed in Saudi Arabia Sept. 30, killing the two crewmen, an RF-4C reconnaissance plane from the Alabama Air National Guard went down last Monday, killing its two crewmen, and an F-111F fighter-bomber crashed Wednesday, killing its two crewmen.

A total of 31 American military personnel have been killed in accidents during Operation Desert Shield, and one Marine died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

Williams said there has been in the gulf region, in total, about 20 ''class A'' aircraft accidents that involved loss of life, destruction of aircraft or damage in excess of $1 million. Of those 20, 15 involved helicopters and five

involved planes.

''This is an unrelated string of accidents,'' Williams said. ''I think it's too soon to say precisely that the accident rate is high, especially if you consider the fact that we've moved what amounts to a mid-sized city 8,000 miles.''

Statistics of military accidents last year show that, on average, about 114 U.S. personnel are killed per month worldwide.

Williams also noted that ''these are not normal operating circumstances'' in Saudi Arabia and that ''flying and operating over the desert is dangerous.''

''It's one of the most difficult environments to fly in,'' he added. ''Pilots have to concentrate harder, they have to depend more on their instruments because there is no horizon (to be seen) frequently.''

In another safety step, the Army established a temporary ban on helicopter low-level night flight operations below 150 feet, until flight crews become familiarized with night flight conditions in the Saudi desert.

Williams said helicopter pilots are also taking a more ''angled approach'' to landing - similar to a plane - because hovering over a landing spot simply stirs up too much sand that can block a pilot's vision and create disorientation.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	391.25 off 3.75
Morning fixing	389.60 off 1.65
Afternoon fixing	388.00 off 3.25
Close	389.50 off 1.75
Paris	387.76 off 7.27
Zurich	390.50 unchanged
Hong Kong	390.10 off 1.05
New York	
Comex spot close	389.70 up 1.60
Republic cash	390.25 up 1.25
Handy and Harman	388.00 off 3.80

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 389.31 off 3.81 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 408.78 off 4.00 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.235 off 0.174
Republic cash	4.265 off 0.175

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.295 per fine ounce off 0.22

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.32 off 0.205 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.622 off 0.22.

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 422.00 off 21.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 522.00 off 21.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 96.00 off 5.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 111.00 off 5.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	353.11	215.16	134.11	19.76	300.39
Opening	352.76	214.84	134.51	19.76	300.26
11 a.m.	349.32	212.16	133.83	19.48	297.42
Noon	351.38	212.92	134.34	19.50	298.98
1 p.m.	347.87	211.66	133.69	19.26	296.18
2 p.m.	346.62	210.78	133.64	19.21	295.26
3 p.m.	346.71	210.46	133.57	19.21	295.30

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#90284u1355 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 11) UPI - The number of Filipinos in the capital favoring the continued presence of U.S. military bases rose sharply from 28 percent in April to 63 percent in August, an independent survey released Thursday said.

A survey of 300 residents in the capital by the Social Weather Station, a private think tank, revealed the favorable response was based on the perception the ''present set-up provides huge benefits to the Philippines.''

The survey conducted from Aug. 16-30 showed 35 percent opposed the continued presense of the giant Clark Air Base, Subic Bay naval complex and four smaller facilities. Half of respondents in this group said they were willing to change their position if the benefits derived from the bases are increased.

The United States provides the Philippines $481 million annually in military aid for continued use of the facilities, whose lease expires in September 1991. The second round of talks on the future of the bases was held last month and was expected to resume this month.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Andre Agassi, Michael Chang, Rick Leach and Jim Pugh were named Friday to the U.S. Davis Cup team for next month's finals against Australia.

Captain Tom Gorman selected the same team that defeated Austria 3-2 in the semifinals in Vienna.

The U.S. Tennis Association also announced the Davis Cup finals, to be held Nov. 30-Dec. 2 in St. Petersburg, Fla., will be played on red clay at the Florida Suncoast Dome.

This is the first Davis Cup final for the Americans since their loss to Sweden in 1984. Australia last appeared in a final in 1986, defeating Sweden.

The playing surface will be similar to those typically found on European clay courts. Construction of the courts is to begin Nov. 19 and be completed Nov. 25.

The last time the U.S. played a home Davis Cup match on clay was in 1971 against Romania in Charlotte, N.C. Since 1985 the United States has a 5-2 clay-court record, all on the road.

In the series with Australia, the Americans lead 23-18. The countries last met in 1986 in Brisbane, with the Aussies winning 3-1 in the semis.

In Davis Cup play, Agassi's singles record is 8-3 and Chang's 3-1. In doubles, Leach and Pugh are 3-0, having made their debut in this year's opening-round victory over Mexico.

The United States defeated Czechoslovakia 4-1 in the quarterfinals in Prague.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - The government auctioned $5 billion in 30-year

Resolution Funding Corp. bonds Thursday at an average yield of 9.33 percent and an average price of $100.45.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - Tax hikes for the richest Americans apparently are back on the table as Congress tries to come up with a tax package that works and can win passage. Whether anything happens is another thing. Texas Republican Congressman Bill Archer says President Bush is willing to accept a new, 31 percent tax bracket for incomes above 185-thousand dollars- if he gets the capital gains tax cut he wants.

But White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater later issued a statement that while Bush has supported such an idea in the past, he is doubtful it can get the support needed.

Nobel Literature Prize winner Octavio Paz says he's happy to be this year's recipient ''but for me the best prize is having readers.'' The Mexican writer, poet and essayist is still active at 76, lecturing at Harvard. In awarding the 1990 literature prize to Paz, the Swedish Academy praised his work as being ''characterized by sensuous intelligence and humanist integrity.'' His books include ''The Labyrinth of Solitude'' and ''The Traps of Faith.''

Florida Power crews are out restoring electricity to areas around Tampa as Tropical Storm Marco moves toward Florida's panhandle. Although top winds have weakened a little, Marco is still capable of producing gusts of 50 miles an hour. Residents of Georgia and South Carolina are keeping a watch on Marco's progress as they clean up from rains dumped by what was once Tropical Storm Klaus. Three people died in Kershaw County, South Carolina, when the Kendall Lake Dam broke and water swept their car away.

The Commerce Department says look for the Sunbelt to post the fastest economic growth during the 1990's. The government says West Palm Beach, Florida, is projected to have the biggest increase in population, jobs and personal income from now to the year 2000, followed by Phoenix and Anaheim, California. Growth in the Northeast and Great Lakes regions is expected to lag behind the South and West.

The European Parliament is urging an international inquiry into Monday's killings of 21 Arabs by Israeli soldiers in Jerusalem's Old City. Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has already appointed a three-member independent investigating team to look into what happened. Libya's Moammar Gadhafi says the deaths justify what he calls the ''removal'' of Israel and the founding of a ''democratic Palestinian state'' in which Jews and Arabs can live together.

Arab diplomats based in Cairo say the United States is trying to adopt a more balanced Mideast policy in the wake of Iraq's invasion and annexation of

Kuwait. The diplomats say this week's strong U-S condemnation of Monday's bloodbath in Jerusalem shows that Washington wants to maintain the support of Arab nations opposed to Saddam Hussein's aggression. The United States also is supporting a U-N resolution condemning the Temple Mount shootings by Israeli security forces.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $1 to $20 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.10 cent to 1.00 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.55 to 3.60 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.22 cent higher to 0.05 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.10 to $1.60 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $15.10 to $17.40 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.85 cent to 2.55 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 17.4 to 19.2 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.016 to 0.021 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.11

60 to 89 days 8.00

90 to 119 days 8.03

120 to 149 days 7.95

150 to 179 days 7.90

180 to 270 days 7.84

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.13 - 7.85

Issuers 30 days 8.05

Issuers 90 days 7.75

Issuers 270 days 7.45

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.21

60 to 89 days 8.20

90 to 119 days 8.23

120 to 149 days 8.25

150 to 179 days 8.25

180 days 8.25

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.00 - 8.125

1 month 8.125 - 8.25

3 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

6 month 8.125 - 8.25

Year 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.21 - 7.19

6 months 7.23 - 7.21

Year 7.15 - 7.13

Federal Funds: High 8 1/8, Low 8, Close 8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7.911 up 0.050.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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CHICAGO (OCT. 11) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.56 1/4-2.61 1/4 off 5.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.12 1/2- 6.20 1/2 off 4 1/2.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.20 3/4-2.32 3/4 off 2 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.32 3/4-2.38 3/4 off 2 3/4.

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NEW YORK (OCT 11) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	61 1-2	off 1-4
AT&T Company	31 1-4	up 1-8
BCE Inc	30 3-4	up 1-4
Bell Atlantic	46 3-8	off 1-8
BellSouth Corp	50 3-8	off 3-8

Exxon Corp	48	1-8	off 5-8
Ford Motor Co	29	3-4	off 1-4
Genl Electric	51	1-8	off 7-8
General Motors	35	3-4	off 1-2
GTE Corp	26	3-8	unch
IBM Corp	101		off 2 1-2
Mobil Oil Corp	56	5-8	off 1 3-4
Nynex Corp	73	5-8	off 1-2
Pac Gas & Elec	22	3-8	unch
Pacific Telesis	41	1-2	off 7-8
Phila Electric	15	5-8	off 1-8
Sears Roebuck	22	1-2	off 7-8
Southern Co	25		up 1-8
Sthwestern Bell	52	1-4	up 1-2
US West Inc	35	5-8	up 5-8

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - Oceanographers told Congress Thursday coral reefs throughout the world are being damaged by high seawater temperatures in what may be first biological alarm on global warming.

A panel of five oceanographers, testifying before the Senate Commerce Committee, said there have been repeated outbreaks of coral ''bleaching'' - or whitening - in the 1980s, all occurring during times of peak water temperatures.

They said the coral damage - evident on both Pacific and Caribbean reefs - appeared to spread and worsen over the last decade, possibly because global warming may have slightly raised average water temperatures.

''The first proof of global warming may well come from the bleaching of the fragile and highly sensitive coral reef system,'' said Ernest Williams, head of the Caribbean Aquatic Animal Health Project and marine sciences professor at the University of Puerto Rico at Mayaguez.

Williams said scientists do not have proof that global warming is responsible, but he added: ''These disturbances may actually be 'alarms' from the drastically changing and deteriorating marine environment.''

The possible link with global warming also received support from climatologists who told the committee the coral bleaching outbreaks coincided with periods when worldwide temperatures were at their highest.

''There are amazing correlations between the coral bleaching events and the temperature record,'' said Dr. Roy Spencer, an atmospheric scientist at NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center.

The oceanographers said coral - a living colony of cells that builds a bony white skeleton structure - is a good indicator of global warming because they are acutely sensitive to increases in seawater temperature.

He said even small temperature rises can overstress coral, causing it to expel algae within its tissue with which it ordinarily has a mutually beneficial, symbiotic relationship.

The loss of food and oxygen provided by the algae causes the normally colored coral to turn white and stop growing. While coral can recover from bleaching, repeated bouts weaken the coral and ultimately kill it.

Coral bleaching was first noticed in the early 1900s, but it did not arouse strong concern among oceanographers until the past decade when severe and widespread episodes were observed, first in the Pacific Ocean in 1983 and then in the Caribbean in 1987.

Thomas Goreau, senior scientist at the Discovery Bay Marine Laboratory in Jamaica, said the 1987 episode devastated that island's reefs, even in areas far from sewage pollution that had caused localized coral damage.

''We have never seen before what we saw in 1987 - it was unprecedented,'' said Goreau, whose center has studied Jamaican reefs for 40 years. ''The bleaching has had a greater effect than all the other forms of deterioration. It is truly alarming.''

The oceanographers said they discovered the link between bleaching and high seawater temperatures by examining satellite data on sea surface temperatures, as well as more detailed temperature readings from the Caribbean.

They said temperature peaks appear linked to the so-called El Nino Southern Oscillation, a periodic, large-scale change in Pacific Ocean currents that affects world climate, the scientists said.

The scientists said the spread of coral bleaching in the 1980s could be related to an underlying increase in seawater temperatures caused by global warming. They said that slight increase, when amplified by the El Nino event, can push water temperatures above 100 degrees Fahrenheit in the tropics' warmest months - beyond the tolerance of heat-sensitive coral.

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#90284u1476 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1077.3
Wednesday	1085.0

Week ago	1086.0
Month ago	1092.1
Year ago	1102.7
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90284u1504 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 11) UPI - President Bush is NO longer confident that a compromise can reached to keep a capital gains tax cut in a budget package. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater today released a statement saying Bush held out little hope that negotiators will agree on a higher marginal tax rate for wealthy Americans in exchange for the cut in capital gains taxes.

National Weather Service officials says Tropical Storm Marco is losing steam as it moves northward up Florida's Gulf Coast. Late this morning, the storm's winds had weakened to about 45 miles an hour. Marco has left thousands of people without power in the Sunshine State.

Mexican writer, poet and essayist Octavio Paz was awarded the Nobel Prize in Literature today. But Paz says his greatest reward is to have readers. The 76-year-old Mexico City resident... in New York when the award was announced... says he was NOT expecting to win.

The Commerce Department says cities in the Southern and Western portions of the nation will experience the fastest economic growth over the next decade. West Palm Beach, Florida, led the cities on the list and was followed by other metropolitan areas in the Sun Belt. Cities in the Northeast and Great Lakes regions were expected to lag behind.

Jury selection opened today in the second trial stemming from New York's infamous ''wilding'' attack on a Central Park jogger. The first batch of nearly 15-hundred prospective jurors received instructions in the rape and attempted murder trial of teen-agers Kharey Wise and Kevin Richardson. Three other youths were convicted in the attack in August.

Moslem religious leaders in Jerusalem are rejecting the appointment of three independent investigators by Prime Minister Shamir to probe Monday's Temple Mount bloodbath. The Islamic Supreme Council says the investigation team is inadequate and that Israel is planning a cover-up.

Following night-long debate, the U-N Security Council has called off negotiations on a resolution on the killing of the Palestinians in Jerusalem. British Ambassador David Hannay says more negotiations are planned among the 15 permanent members of the Council.

In Bonn, Germany, Saudi Arabia's Prince Saud al-Faisal today condemned Israel for the slayings of 21 Palestinians in the Old City in Jerusalem. And he called for an end to Israeli occupation of Arab lands and Iraq's occupation of Kuwait. The Saudi leader is in Germany for talks with Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

Egyptians went to the polls today to decide whether to back President Mubarak's plan to dissolve Parliament and hold national elections in December. The Egyptian Supreme Court has ruled that the 1987 elections were unconstitutional because too many candidates from Mubarak's ruling party were elected.

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#90284u1512 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2365.10	off	42.82
20 Trans	823.96	off	11.47
15 Utils	201.96	off	1.64
65 Stocks	839.00	off	12.71

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#90284u1516 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT 11) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday.

Stock		$Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	90,986,424	29 1/8	off 5/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	69,925,192	30 3/8	off 2 1/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	63,022,516	58	off 1 1/2
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	43,241,920	27 3/4	up 1 1/4
Amgen	(AMGN)	37,940,024	42 1/2	off 1 1/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	35,836,596	28	off 1
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	32,275,514	18 3/4	off 2 3/4
Autodesk	(ACAD)	28,382,928	34	up 1 1/2
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	26,638,880	40 1/8	off 1/2
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	25,572,718	18 1/4	up 1/2

Composite Index 142.41 off 3.36

NMS volume 113,724,104 shares.

Advances	450
Declines	1,108
Unchanged	1,239
Total	2,797

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#90284u1517 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

BUSH INVITES PACIFIC ISLAND LEADERS TO HONOLULU TO DISCUSS GLOBAL ISSUES

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - President Bush has invited 13 Pacific island leaders to an unprecedented meeting Oct. 27 in Honolulu, where Bush will be on a campaign trip, a spokesman announced Thursday.

Press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said that ''the meeting will allow the president to consult with the leaders on current global issues and to discuss regional matters.''

''Such a meeting is unprecedented and reflects the president's desire to continue enhancing the U.S. dialogue with the Pacific Island leaders, '' he added.

Among those invited are Geoffrey A. Henry, Cook Islands; Prime Minister Ratu Sir Kamisese Mara, Fiji; President Teremia T. Tabai, Kiribati; President Amata Kabua, Republic of the Marshall Islands; President John R. Haglegam, Federated States of Micronesia; President Bernard Dowiyogo, Nauru.

Premier Sir Robert Rex, Niue; Prime Minister Rabbie Namaliu, Papua, New Guinea; Prime Minister Solomon Mamaloni, Solomon Islands; His Majesty King Taufa'ahau Tupou IV, Tonga; Prime Minister Bikenibeau Paeniu, Tuvalu; Prime Minister Walter Hayde Lini, Vanuatu; and Prime Minister Tofilau Eti Alesana, Western Samoa.

Bush will fly to Hawaii on Oct. 26 during a West Coast campaign swing prior to the Nov. 6 general elections.

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#90284u1518 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks	-	180,060,000 shares
1990 to date	-	31,154,122,342
Warrants	-	2,955,900
1990 to date	-	197,059,690

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#90284u1526 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 11) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	162.20	off 2.77
ASE Market Value Index	293.71	off 5.55
Dow-Jones Industrial	2365.10	off 42.82

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#90284u1529 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks	-	13,630,000 shares
1990 to date	-	2,729,964,000
Bonds	-	$3,740,000
1990 to date	-	$566,007,000

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#90284u1546 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	293.71	off	5.55
High Technology	280.12	off	5.92
Capital Goods	311.27	off	3.07
Consumer Goods	352.77	off	5.31
Service	682.72	off	18.79
Retail	823.01	off	18.50
Financial	355.40	up	0.17
Natural Resources	233.84	off	4.85
Housing-Const-Land	259.43	off	10.24

There was a loss of 18 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	376.21	off	8.36
Mid Atlantic	381.32	off	4.22
No Central	364.79	off	6.41
So Atlantic	795.47	off	17.16
So Central	287.49	off	4.84
Mountain	104.69	off	2.38
Pacific	322.95	off	8.31
Foreign	230.20	off	4.86

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#90284u1550 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 299.33, low 293.24, close 293.71, off 5.55.

There was a loss of 18 cents in the average share price.

Volume 13,630,000 shares, compared with 10, 910,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	1
New Lows	127
Advances	133
Declines	463
Unchanged	215

Total Issues 811

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#90284u1552 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Thursday - $52,190,000
1990 to date - $8,686,552,000

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#90284u1559 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (OCT. 11) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Thursday - 11,484,000
1990 to date - 1,971,388,000

The market closed sharply lower.

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#90284u1564 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 11) UPI - A chartered Iraqi aircraft carrying 386 foreigners, most of them American women and children, arrived in London Thursday from Baghdad in the first evacuation flight in two weeks.

The Voice of America quoted U.S. officials as saying the flight would possibly be the last one carrying Westerners for some time from Iraq and Kuwait, where thousands of Western men are being held hostage as human shields against attack at key installations.

The flight arrived in London at 8 a.m. Thursday and most of the 142 Americans on board were scheduled to leave later in the day for North Carolina. Officials said 27 Britons, 149 Jordanians and five Australians were on the flight along with other Arabs and Westerners.

It was the 10th airlift of Western hostages trapped by the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the first since Sept. 22.

In other developments in the 2-month-old Persian Gulf crisis, a U.S. Marine who refused to board a flight for Saudi Arabia faced court martial in Hawaii and a 63-year-old grandmother who volunteered to serve with the U.S. Air Force returned home from Saudi Arabia.

The U.S. Air Force, imposing a safety standdown, grounded its training flights in Saudi Arabia for 24 hours in response to three recent Air Force plane crashes that killed six airmen.

From noon Saudi time Wednesday until noon Saudi time Thursday, ''The Air Force

declared a flying standdown for one day to conduct safety awareness meetings with Air Force pilots,'' Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said.

President Bush told a group of military veterans in Washington that ''it's very clear that the strength of the our arms and the strength of our will is up to the challenge in the gulf.''

''The (Iraqi) regime is up against not only the law of nations, but the also the law of mathematics,'' Bush said. ''The numbers are against them. Today, it's not Iraq vs. Kuwait, it's not Iraq vs. the United States. It's Iraq against the entire world.''

Cpl. Jeff Paterson, 22, of Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station in Hawaii, said he is seeking conscientious objector status because he doesn't want to fight for ''imperialistic economic interests.''

He refused to board the flight when his unit was deployed, sitting down in the hangar when his sergeant tried to push him onto the plane.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said the Persian Gulf crisis should not be linked to the Arab-Israeli problem despite outrage over the killings of dozens of Palestinians in Jerusalem.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has tried to link his invasion of Kuwait with the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip in hopes of winning support in the Arab world.

In other developments Thursday:

-British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said a decision must be made ''in a matter of weeks'' on whether military force should be used against Saddam Hussein. Hurd told British Broadcasting Corp. television that the United States and Britain should decide whether diplomatic isolation and economic sanctions were sufficient to get Iraq out of Kuwait.

-Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath said he would depart Friday on an unofficial mission to meet with Saddam Hussein in Baghdad and try and negotiate the release of sick and older Britons held in Iraq and Kuwait.

-Iraq resumed negotiations with Iran, its former bitter enemy in the 1980-88 gulf war. Saddam, seeking allies where he can, has made a number of concessions to Tehran and the neighboring countries are considering restoring diplomatic relations. Tehran has called for the withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait but has made it clear the issue will not affect Iraqi-Iranian ties.

-Lloyds Shipping Service reported that an Indian vessel carrying 1, 859 passengers had arrived in Dubai from the Iraqi port of Um Qasr. India has been ferrying hundreds of refugees from Iraq and Kuwait in ships.

-Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal said the Iraqi invasion had divided the Arab world to the point where it could not contend with the Israeli occupation of the territories.

''That's why the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait is so shocking to us because it creates a division in the Arab world so that it weakens our ability to face the Israeli occupation of Arab lands,'' he told a news conference in Bonn before meeting with Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

-The PLO Central Council accused Washington of ''turning its back on international legality" as far as Jerusalem is concerned and called on Moslems to work ''for the immediate departure'' of U.S. forces from the Persian Gulf.

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#90284u1567 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT 11) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
IBM Corp	3,113,800	101	off 2 1/2
Wal-Mart Strs	2,935,200	25 3/8	up 1/4
Philip Morris	2,893,600	44 3/8	off 3/4
Fed Nat Mtg wt	2,872,500	12 5/8	off 5/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	2,757,300	26 3/4	off 7/8
Chem Banking	2,133,000	13 1/4	off 1 3/4
Waste Mangment	2,118,000	29 3/8	off 5/8
Ford Motor	2,061,800	29 7/8	off 1/8
Genl Electric	2,059,600	51 1/4	off 3/4
Toys 'R' US	1,790,100	20 1/8	off 5/8
Dresser Indus	1,725,100	17 5/8	up 7/8
Citicorp	1,706,700	13 5/8	off 1/2
PepsiCo Inc	1,564,500	22 5/8	off 3/8
Marriott Cp	1,553,000	8 3/4	off 1 3/8
TJX Cos	1,481,000	9 1/8	off 1 1/2

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#90284u1576 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT 11) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Fruit of Loom	839,100	7 1/4	unch
Hillhaven	648,400	1 1/2	up 5/8
Denmark K wt	554,800	21 3/8	up 1 1/4
BAT Indus	531,600	10 11-16	off 1-16

Paine W Gr wtB	494,200	10 1/2	up 5/8
ENSCO	389,800	3	unch
Salomon wt Jan	338,100	20 3/8	up 1 1/8
Salomon Phibro	320,100	3 3/4	up 1/4
Salomon p wt Mar	303,400	5 3/8	up 1/8
Salomon p wt May	266,000	4 5/8	up 3/8

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#90284u1580 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK - Chemical Banking Corp. reported Thursday a loss of $43.7 million in the third quarter of this year and cut the company's dividend by more than half.

Following the lead of Chase Manhattan Corp., Chemical said the quarterly dividend paid on its common stock would be cut to 25 cents a share from 68 cents. Chase said last month said it would cut the dividend to shore up its capital base.

On the New York Stock Exchange, Chemical's stock closed down $1.75 to $13.25 a share - matching its 52-week low - in heavy trading.

The company posted a loss of $824.6 million in the 1989 third quarter, reflecting a $550 million addition to provisions against Third World loan losses.

Money-center banks like Chase, Chemical and Citicorp, the largest U.S. bank, have been suffering from rising levels of bad commercial real estate loans.

Separately, Bank of New York Co. reported profits of $71 million, or 90 cents a share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, compared a loss of $271 million recorded in the year-ago third quarter. Bank of New York said it would keep its dividend at 53 cents a common share.

Chemical said the main reason for its latest loss was a $250 million addition made to reserves against loan losses, including a $237 provision by Chemical Bank for possible losses on its non-Third World loan portfolio.

Chemical said its total nonperforming assets - loans on which payments are 90 days overdue or more - stood at at $3.19 billion as of Sept. 30, a rise of $186 million since June 30.

Chemical also took an $18.8 million charge against earnings to cover costs of pulling out of securities trading in Switzerland and Japan, while subsidiary Texas Commerce Bank made a $13 million provision for bad loans.

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#90284u1587 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.80	off 0.06
10 Public Utils	90.78	up 0.10
10 Industrials	86.83	off 0.21

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#90284u1592 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2414.36	2427.23	2344.31	2365.10	off 42.82
20 Trans	834.87	840.42	810.47	823.96	off 11.47
15 Utils	203.97	204.41	201.42	201.96	off 1.64
65 Stock	853.13	857.46	830.62	839.00	off 12.71

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	25,449,600	23,904,700
Trans	3,085,700	3,079,700
Utils	2,860,600	3,775,700
65 Stock	31,395,900	30,760,100

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.80	off 0.06
10 Public Utils	90.78	up 0.10
10 Industrials	86.83	off 0.21

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 128.97 off 0.94.

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#90284u1593 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 11) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5550	off 50
Det Ed pfH	144	up 43 3/4
CapCiti/ABC	427 1/8	off 23 1/2
Washington Post	196	off 6
Pitney pf	128	up 6
Katy Ind pfB	48	off 5 3/4

Matsushita El	133 1/8	off 5
Pioneer Elec	66	off 4 1/4
Tyco Labs	44	off 3 5/8
AMAX pfB	35 1/2	off 3 3/8

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#90284u1594 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Gold futures closed Thursday 140 to 160 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	385.00	391.00	385.00	389.70	388.10
Nov	385.50	....	....	391.50	390.00
Dec	387.80	395.50	387.70	393.60	392.20
Feb	392.50	399.30	392.00	397.80	396.40
Apr	396.50	403.50	396.00	401.80	400.40
Jun	401.00	406.00	401.00	406.10	404.70
Aug	404.20	....	....	410.10	408.70
Oct	408.50	408.50	408.50	414.40	412.90
Dec	413.50	419.70	413.50	418.80	417.30
Feb	417.60	....	....	423.60	422.10
Apr	422.20	....	....	428.20	426.70
Jun	427.20	....	....	433.20	431.70
Aug	432.20	....	....	438.20	436.70

Open interest: 116,758 up 721.

Estimated sales: 50,000 contracts.

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#90284u1608 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - A haze that obscures the spectacular vistas of the Grand Canyon is caused largely by pollution from a coal-fired power plant in Arizona, a group of scientific experts said Thursday.

The controversial haze is composed mostly of sulfur dioxide emitted from the Navajo Generating Station at Page, Ariz., according to a report by the National Research Council, part of the National Academy of Sciences.

The haze problem worsens during winter because air masses tend to stagnate for long periods of time, reducing visibility from more than 100 miles to sometimes less than a few miles, the report said. Light contrast and color clarity also are diminished markedly.

But the power plant is not the only source of the problem, the scientists said citing other power plants, ore smelters and automobile exhaust.

Even if the plant were required to install the best technology to control its sulfur emissions, the haze ''would most likely be reduced, but not eliminated '' the report said.

The report is important because it was intended to settle a dispute between the Environmental Protection Agency, which wanted stricter pollution requirements, and the Interior Department, whose Bureau of Reclamation partly owns the plant and advocated a ''go-slow'' approach.

A spokesman for the Interior Department was not available for immediate comment.

Each year, some 4 million visitors tour the park, which the report called ''one of the most spectacular natural sights on Earth,'' featuring ''majestic geological formations and intensely colored views.''

The Navajo Generating Station, one of the country's largest power plants, is 16 miles from the boundary of the national park and 70 miles from Grand Canyon Village, the main tourist area.

The EPA said the Arizona power plant can burn 24,000 tons of coal a day, at peak production, releasing an estimated 12-13 tons of sulfur dioxide every hour.

The National Parks and Conservation Association called on the EPA to quickly slap more stringent pollution rules on the plant, saying: ''Two studies have implicated the Salt River Project in the Grand Canyon's visibility deterioration.''

The report Thursday by the panel of scientific experts supported a 1987 study by the National Park Service implicating the power plant in the haze after ''tracer fingerprints'' were placed inside one of the plant's smokestacks.

The ''tracer fingerprints'' involved a special form of methane that was subsequently monitored at several sites in the Grand Canyon area during the two-week, $2 million study. The park service concluded that the power plant was causing as much as 70 percent of the Grand Canyon haze.

The EPA then moved to require the plant to reduce its emissions by 90 percent. But the federal Bureau of Reclamation - a part-owner of the power plant - disputed the finding. The other owners are several utilities and the Arizona Salt River Project.

Faced with the dispute, the Interior Department asked the National Research Council to examine the Park Service study. In the new report, the scientists concluded the Park Service was right.

The detection of the methane ''tracer fingerprints'' in the Grand Canyon area

''is an unambiguous indicator'' that the power plant's emissions are a significant part of the problem, the scientists said.

But the scientists also said other sources were responsible for part of the reduction in Grand Canyon visibility and that some statistical models used by the Park Service were too limited to precisely determine the amount of haze attributable to the power plant.

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#90284u1614 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday 22 points higher to 3 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	73.12	73.48	73.10	73.29	73.21
Mar	73.85	74.08	73.67	73.80	73.83
May	74.00	74.30	74.00	74.18	74.00
Jly	74.25	74.60	74.25	74.37	74.15
Oct	69.20	69.20	69.20	69.30	69.25
Dec	67.90	68.00	67.85	67.85	67.65

Estimated sales: 3,500 contracts
Open interest: 38,379 up 285
The World spot average: unavailable

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#90284u1641 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	353.11	215.16	134.11	19.76	300.39
Opening	352.76	214.84	134.51	19.76	300.26
11 a.m.	349.32	212.16	133.83	19.48	297.42
Noon	351.38	212.92	134.34	19.50	298.98
1 p.m.	347.87	211.66	133.69	19.26	296.18
2 p.m.	346.62	210.78	133.64	19.21	295.26
3 p.m.	346.71	210.46	133.57	19.21	295.30
Close	x-346.86	x-210.70	133.64	x-19.24	x-295.46
Change	off 6.25	off 4.46	off 0.47	off 0.52	off 4.93

x-New 1990 Low.

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#90284u1652 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	140,845,800
Advances	531
Declines	1,426
Unchanged	2,283
Total	4,240

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#90284u1660 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - The dollar took another dive in New York trading Thursday on news that Chemical Banking Corp. joined the ranks of banks cutting dividends on third-quarter losses, and on further budget obfuscation.

Currency traders said virtually undiluted pessimism on the U.S. economy was pushing the dollar into uncharted waters as it continually established record new low exchange levels against the German mark.

Remarks earlier in Tokyo by Bank of Japan Governor Yasushi Mieno, saying the dollar had fallen too far, braced it only against the yen.

Late in the New York session, the dollar traded at 1.5135 German marks, off from 1.5280 marks Wednesday, and 129.50 Japanese yen, up from 129.35. The mark price broke Tuesday's postwar low New York close of 1.5230.

Foreign exchange participants found little reassurance in the cryptic posture adopted by President Bush in the budget impasse. He offered to trade off with Congress on taxes, but said negotiations would be a waste of time.

Currency players also were dismayed by Chemical's $43.7 million loss in the third quarter and its 63 percent dividend cut. The bank added $250 million to reserves to cover possible real estate loan losses.

''There's no good news out of the United States now at all,'' said dealer Jack Griffin, a Banque Indosuez assistant vice president. ''So I guess it's a case of total lack of confidence in the U.S. economy right now.''

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2730 Swiss francs, down from 1.2820; 5.0690 French francs, off from 5.1120; and 1,134.50 Italian lire, off from 1,1144.50.
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#90284u1663 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - In August, members of Congress voted by day for

stiff limits on political action committees. But by night, many of the same lawmakers were attending fund-raisers in the shadow of the Capitol, amassing huge sums of money from those groups.

In fact, August and September were boom months for senators and congressmen seeking contributions from business and labor groups, a United Press International review of campaign finance reports indicates.

''We are the devil in public and considered friends in private,'' said Doug Thompson, vice president for government affairs at the National Realtors Association, the largest PAC contributor in the nation.

In the past two months, many of the nation's top PACs increased by up to twofold the amount of money contributed to federal candidates, the figures indicate.

The realtors' PAC contributed nearly $700,000 in August and September, bringing to just over $2 million the amount it has given to lawmakers since Jan. 1, 1989.

That proportion of money unloaded during those two months was similar for other leading business and labor PACs, according to Federal Election Commission records.

The International Brotherhood of Teamsters contributed $400,000 of its $1.6 million total during the two-month period, while the National Education Association donated $502,000 of its $1.3 million contributions over the two months.

Other top labor PACs that dispersed huge sums of money to candidates during the period included the Letter Carriers' union, the Carpenters' association PAC and the United Auto Workers PAC.

Among business groups, the American Medical Association PAC donated $518,000 of its $1.4 million during August and September. The AMA was followed by the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. Inc. PAC, which donated $213,000 of its $1.2 million, and the American Bankers Association PAC, which contributed more than $700,000 of its $1.1 million during the same period.

While PACs commonly donate hefty amounts of money during the waning months of an election cycle, many longtime participants in the process say lawmakers have become increasingly demanding of PACs.

''We feel under a good deal more pressure to respond to incumbents who have been very supportive and are calling up and saying, 'God, are we scared,''' said John Motley, chief lobbyist for the National Federation of Independent Business.

Motley said many lawmakers are frightened by the same campaign reform they are seeking and are unnerved over the strong showing in recent elections of relatively unknown candidates.

The Senate and House each passed campaign reform measures last summer that in sharply different ways would have restricted the behavior of PACs. In fact, House and Senate negotiators have not even met to iron out the differences. They concede that campaign finance reform will have to wait at least one more year to be resolved.

But the climate was far different up until two weeks ago, when business and labor leaders received stacks of invitations from lawmakers for fund-raising events.

''Some of them acted as if they were dipping at the trough for the last time '' said Steven Stockmeyer, executive vice president of the National Association of Business Political Action Committees.

Stockmeyer said he received more than 100 fund-raising invitations over a two-week period during the congressional August recess. He added, ''There wasn't a night that went by in September when there wasn't a fund-raiser. It's almost dreadful what's going on.''

Stockmeyer and other observers said that in addition to widespread fears about proposed restrictions on PACs and electoral discontent with incumbents, many lawmakers are busy amassing money for their retirement.

The House created a sort of golden parachute for itself when in a 1989 pay raise bill it included a provision allowing members elected before 1980 to transfer campaign donations for personal use if they retire by the end of 1992.

''You have a situation where members who don't run for re-election the next time can take the money and run,'' Stockmeyer said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	8	6	4
New lows	375	285	175

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	306	27,646,700
Declines	1,309	140,446,800
Unchanged	381	11,966,500
Total	1,996	180,060,000

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(OCT. 11) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 2
New lows 127

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	133	4,414,000
Declines	463	7,209,400
Unchanged	215	2,006,600
Total	811	13,630,000

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(OCT. 11) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	220.00	221.50	212.80	214.55	218.40
Mar	....	....	....	216.75	220.60
Jun	....	....	....	219.75	223.60

Previous day volume: 81 contracts.
Open interest: 1,185 up 15

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	302.00	304.30	295.60	297.35	302.20
Mar	304.60	306.80	298.00	299.75	304.75
Jun	306.80	309.00	300.90	302.50	307.75

Today's estimated volume: 64,995 contracts.
Open interest: 150,643 up 464

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	165.90	166.60	161.70	162.80	165.55
Mar	167.60	167.60	163.85	164.10	166.75
Jun	....	....	....	165.40	168.05

Open interest: 4,918 up 112

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	502.50	504.90	491.25	494.25	501.85
Nov	502.60	502.60	491.25	494.00	501.90

Dec 505.75 506.50 493.25 496.00 503.75
Estimated volume 4,916 contracts.
Open interest: 8,579 off 196

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(OCT. 11) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.01	8.11	8.82
91-day Treasury bills	7.38	7.42	7.72
182-day Treasury bills	7.55	7.59	7.64
1-year Treasury bills	7.63	7.65	7.46
3-year Treasury notes	8.19	8.18	8.03
7-year Treasury notes	8.79	8.78	8.06
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	9.09	9.07	8.02
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.50	9.50	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.08	10.05	9.14
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.55	9.38	9.04
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.69	9.65	9.05
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.73	9.69	9.23
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.71	9.66	9.24

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - Studies of identical twins reared apart show genes play a major role in determining a person's psychological makeup, influencing everything from intelligence to religious interest, researchers said Thursday.

Reporting in the journal Science, the University of Minnesota's Thomas Bouchard Jr. assessed results of his team's 12 years of research involving more than 50 sets of identical twins or triplets who were separated shortly after birth.

Identical siblings share exactly the same genetic makeup. Rare instances in which such twins were raised separately due to adoption or other factors provides researchers with a powerful method of exploring whether nature or

nuture plays a bigger role in shaping humans.

Bouchard said his study has led to two ''general and seemingly remarkable conclusions'' concerning what causes psychological differences between people.

''Genetic factors exert a pronounced and pervasive influence on behavioral variability, and the effect of being reared in the same home is negligble for many psychological traits,'' Bouchard wrote.

The Minnesota psychologist conceded his findings probably do not surprise many people, expecially behavioral geneticists who have made similar observations.

But he said the conclusions ''challenge prevailing psychological theories on the origins of individual differences in ability, personailty, interests and social attitudes,'' which tend to emphasize the environment in which a person is raised.

Bouchard's ongoing study, which began in 1979, involves subjecting more than 100 identical twins who were reared apart to 50 hours of medical and psychological testing. Participants have come from the United States, the United Kingdom, Australia, Canada, China, New Zealand, Sweden and West Germany.

Some of the twins were raised in homes markedly different socially and economically.

In his article, Bouchard combined new data on IQ scores with pieces of information he had previously presented at scientific meetings and published in other scientific journals. Many of his findings have received widespread attention in the past. But the new paper represents the first time a comprehensive review of Bouchard's results have been published in a leading scientific journal.

In summary, the researchers found genetic factors appear to account for:

-About 70 percent of IQ variability.

-About 50 percent of personality differences, including such traits as extroversion.

-About 50 percent of differences in religiosity, as measured by factors like how often someone attends religious events.

-About 40 percent of job interest variations.

-About 50 percent of differences in ''traditionalism,'' which involves the tendency to adhere to or rebel against societal norms.

''For almost every behavioral trait so far investigated, from reaction time to

religiosity, an important fraction of the variation among people turns out to be associated with genetic variation,'' the Minnesota team stated. ''This fact need no longer be subject to debate.''

But Bouchard emphasized that his work did not find that any psychological trait is 100 percent influenced by genes, and in many cases only about half of the influence appears to be genetic.

''The argument we make in the paper is certainly not that environment is unimportant. In fact, environment is a key part of our theory,'' Bouchard said in a telephone interview.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn astrl	.000180	.000175	5546.00	5693.00
Astrl dlr	.8153	.8253	1.2265	1.2117
Astr schll	.0927	.0930	10.79	10.75
Blgm frnc-c	.0317	.0318	31.58	31.45
Blgm frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brzl crzd	.0118	.0118	87.30	84.88
Brtn pnd	1.9773	1.9685	.5057	.5080
Brtn 1-m	1.9681	1.9592	.5081	.5104
Brtn 3-m	1.9519	1.9429	.5123	.5147
Brtn 6-m	1.9301	1.9210	.5181	.5206
Cnd dllr	.8722	.8699	1.1465	1.1495
Cnd 1-m	.8690	.8666	1.1507	1.1539
Cnd 3-m	.8631	.8609	1.1586	1.1616
Cnd 6-m	.8554	.8531	1.1691	1.1722
Chl ps-f	.003454	.003457	289.56	289.23
China yn	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Clmb ps	.001904	.001918	525.31	521.38
Dnmrk krn	.1713	.1717	5.8375	5.8240
Ecdr scr-z	.001197	.001214	835.58	823.88
Egypt pnd	.3706	.3706	2.6983	2.6983
Fnlnd mrkk	.2762	.2771	3.6210	3.6090
Frnc frnc	.1973	.1956	5.0690	5.1135
Frnc 1-m	.1970	.1953	5.0758	5.1204
Frnc 3-m	.1964	.1950	5.0910	5.1271
Frnc 6-m	.1954	.1938	5.1170	5.1610
Grc drch	.006589	.006626	151.78	150.93

Hllnd gldr	.5852	.5809	1.7087	1.7530
HngKng dlr	.1290	.1290	7.7542	7.7530
India rp	.0559	.0558	17.89	17.91
Ind's rp	.000542	.000542	1846.00	1846.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Irq dnr	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Irlnd pnt	1.7505	1.7555	0.5713	0.5696
Isrl shkl	.5061	.5063	1.9760	2.9750
Italy lr	.000881	.000874	1134.58	1144.75
Jpn yn	.007725	.007729	129.45	129.38
Jpn 1-m	.007727	.007686	129.41	128.78
Jpn 3-m	.007726	.007881	129.43	126.88
Jpn 6-m	.007720	.008040	129.54	124.38
Jrdn dnr	1.5674	1.5674	.6380	.6380
Kwt dnr	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lbnn pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mxc ps-z	.000348	.000347	2870.00	2882.00
N.Zlnd dlr	.6162	.6168	1.6225	1.6213
Nrwy krn	.1688	.1693	5.9238	6.9050
Pkstn rp	.0464	.0464	21.54	21.53
Per int	.000002	.000002	433.400	435,370
P'pns ps-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Prtgl escd	.007467	.007486	133.93	133.58
Saudi ryl	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Sngpr dlr	.5773	.5769	1.7323	1.7335
S.Afrc rnd	.3951	.3967	2.5311	2.5211
S.Kr wn	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spn pst	.010382	.010404	96.32	96.12
Swdn krn	.1775	.1774	5.6330	5.6360
Swtzrl frnc	.7859	.7826	1.2725	1.2778
Swtzrl 1-m	.7862	.7830	1.2719	1.2772
Swrzrl 3-m	.7864	.7831	1.2716	1.2770
Swtzrl 6-m	.7859	.7827	1.2725	1.2776
Twn dllr	.0373	.0373	26.78	26.78
Trky lr	.000370	.000371	2702.00	2694.00
UAE drhm	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urg'y ps-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Vnz blvr-z	.0207	.0208	48.27	48.17
W.Gr Mrk	.6608	.6549	1.5133	1.5270
W.Gr 1-m	.6607	.6548	1.5135	1.5271
W.Gr 3-m	.6603	.6548	1.5145	1.5272
W.Gr 6-m	.6591	.6534	1.5172	1.5305
Ygsl dnr	.0951	.0954	10.52	10.48

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - The Dow industrials plunged to their lowest levels since early 1989 Thursday as concerns about the effects of a recession at home and heightened tensions in the Mideast sparked a selling spree.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which sank 37.62 Wednesday, set its second straight 52-week low, plunging 42.82 to close at 2365.10.

The close was the weakest since April 17, 1989, when the blue-chip average finished at 2337.79; it left the Dow down almost 20 percent since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 and oil prices skyrocketed.

The exchange's rule curbing program selling when the Dow falls 50 points was triggered for the third straight day.

Broader market gauges extended their lows for the year. The New York Stock Exchange composite index lost 2.77 to 162.20. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index lost 4.93 to 295.46. The price of an average share slid 48 cents.

Declines thumped advances, 1,285 to 304, among the 1,998 issues crossing the Big Board tape. Volume totaled 180,060,000 shares, up from 167,890,000 shares traded Wednesday.

Analysts said concerns about the recent tensions between Israel and the Palestinians weighed on the market and pushed oil prices up sharply, which pressured stocks. Oil prices closed up $1.73 to $40.42 a barrel.

In Jerusalem's Old City Thursday, police dispersed hundreds of demonstrating Palestinians near the Temple Mount, Islam's third holiest site, where 21 Moslems were killed in rioting Monday.

On Monday, Palestinians threw hundreds of stones from the Temple Mount area over the Western Wall. Thousands of Jewish worshippers were in the Western Wall plaza when the violence began but most escaped injury and fled.

''The tensions have magnified concern, heated up the rhetoric,'' said Alfred Goldman, market strategist at A.G. Edwards & Sons Inc. in St. Louis. ''And in a bear market, folks accentuate the negative and eliminate the positive.''

On the domestic front, Goldman said concerns flared about how the faltering economy would affect soon-to-be-released third-quarter corporate earnings.

''There's a growing fear of recession and its impact on earnings,'' Goldman said. ''We're in a stressful world and domestic environment, nobody knows how low is low. We're down 640 points from the highs almost 3000 in July in the

Dow.''

And from a technical standpoint, Goldman noted that the market has fallen below the 52-week low it set in late September. ''The bears haven't done their dastardly deed yet. The market hasn't reached levels where potential buyers feel compelled to step up to the plate.

''The only thing to do at this point is pick quality stocks, and when we get irrational selling, people throwing stocks out the window, stand down on the street with a basket,'' he said. ''They're not going to ring a bell at the bottom.''

On the trading floor, IBM was the most active issue, sinking 2 1/2 to 101. Analysts said the drop was apparently in sympathy with heavy selling in NCR, which was said to be the object of negative comments from analysts. NCR slid 2 3/8 to 50 3/4.

Wal-Mart followed, up 1/4 to 25 3/8 after Wednesday's loss. Anticipation of a weak September sales report took the stock down Wednesday, analysts said, but when the figures came out Thursday its sales were strongest among the major retailers. It posted a 9 percent increase in sales among stores that were open at least a year.

Other retailers, though, lost ground after the sales data, which was generally poor and indicated a recessionary trend, according to analysts. K mart lost 1/2 to 24 3/4, J.C. Penney fell 3/8 to 38 1/8 and The Limited skidded 1/2 to 12.

Philip Morris was third, down 3/4 to 44 3/8.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T bucked the trend, up 1/8 to 31 1/4 after reports saying it planned to unveil an inexpensive chip for personal computers that combines several functions. But General Motors lost 5/8 to 35 5/8 and Sears, which reported a rise in September sales but one that failed to keep pace with inflation, fell 7/8 to 22 1/2. McDonald's fell 7/8 to 35 3/4 and USX lost 1 to 30 7/8.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 219,031,020 shares, compared with 202,735,650 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices plunged in active trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index fell 5.55 to close at 293.71. Declines pounded advances, 467 to 132, among the 812 issues traded. The price of an average share lost 18 cents. Composite volume totaled 16,537,900 shares, vs. 12,986,600 traded Wednesday.

Fruit of the Loom led the Amex issues, unchanged at 7 1/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index closed down 7.65 to 325.60, its lowest level in more than 2 1/2 years.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Reversed Stock Split				
Amer Telecommunications Corp - 1-for-3				
Reduced				
Chemical Banking Corp	Q	.25	1-2	12-14
Chemical Banking cl-B	..	.07	1-2	12-14
Usual				
Colgate-Palmolive Co	Q	.45	11-15	10-25
Dayton Hudson Corp	Q	.33	12-10	11-20
Ford Motor Co	Q	.75	12-1	11-1
Hughes Supply Inc	Q	.09	11-16	11-2
NWNL Cos Inc	Q	.33	11-9	10-22
Putnam Global GIT	M	.130	11-1	10-25
Richardson Electroncs	..	.04	12-14	11-23

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - The Senate passed a $19.3 billion appropriations bill for several departments Thursday that seeks to end the United States' ''deadbeat'' status at the United Nations.

The Senate voted 91-7 for the 1991 spending bill for the Commerce, Justice and State Departments and the federal judiciary. The House approved a roughly $19.4 billion bill in June and differences between the measures will be worked out by a conference committee.

The Senate bill, like the House measure, provides all of the administration's $695 million request for dues to the United Nations and other international organizations and another $93 million under a five- year administration plan to pay off U.S. arrearages to the international organizations.

Also included in both bills is $90.6 million for U.N. emergency peacekeeping

efforts in 1991 and about $31 million in arrearages.

Congress recently has held back U.N. funds to show its displeasure with the organization for actions such as declaring Zionism to be a form of racism and accepting the PLO observer delegation as a member of the General Assembly.

However, the U.N. role in backing U.S. policy in the Persian Gulf crisis has made the failure to pay the dues an embarrassment to U.S. officials.

In testimony last month before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Secretary of State James Baker agreed with Sen. Daniel Moynihan, D-N.Y., when he said it was ''outrageous'' that the United States was ''the world's biggest deadbeat'' in terms of arrearages at the United Nations.

Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., the Foreign Relations Committee's ranking Republican objected to the U.N. funding in a floor speech, saying he was not convinced ''all of the sins and blemishes of the United Nations' past have been swept away.''

He added, ''The American people must be alert to a direct potential threat to our national sovereignty as a result of the heavy reliance this administration has placed in resolutions of the U.N. security council regarding Iraq's aggression.''

The United States is assessed about 25 percent of the regular U.N. budget and of the budgets of specialized U.N. organizations such as the World Health Organization, as well as about 30 percent of the peacekeeping budget.

Also included in the $19.3 billion bill is $117 million to pay for investigations into savings and loan fraud. That is $17 million more than requested by the administration and $42 million more than in the House bill.

The bill provides only $10 million of the $270 million that the administration requested to tear down the bug-riddled U.S. Embassy in Moscow and build a new one.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Affliated Fund 8.67 9.30

Anchor Fund Inv	13.60	14.43
Delaware Mutual	15.94	17.09
Fidelity Fund	15.37	15.37
Investors Mutual	10.24	10.78
Investors Stocks	16.96	17.85
Investors Select	8.18	8.61
IDS Equity Plus	8.22	8.65

Mass Inv Growth	7.27	7.84
Nicholas Fund	3.16	3.16
United Accumulated	5.82	6.36
United Income	15.32	16.74
Vanguard Wellington	15.12	15.12

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - Assets of the nation's 519 money-market mutual funds rose by $1.48 billion to $411.35 billion in the week ended Wednesday, the Investment Company Institute reported Thursday.

The Washington-based institute said broker-dealer fund assets increased $163.6 million to $165.35 billion, while those of general- purpose funds increased $353.8 million to $146.15 billion and of institutional funds rose $967.4 million to $99.85 billion.

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money-market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields and 30-day yields were bothe unchanged from the previous week, at 7.48 percent and 7.47 percent, respectively.

The average maturity of fund portfolios fell to 45 days from 47 the prior week.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.86 percent, down from 5.88; Super-Now accounts, 4.95 percent, down from 4.97; six-month certificates of deposit, unchanged at 7.48 percent; 1-year CDs, unchanged at 7.58 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.66 percent, down from 7.67; and 5-year CDs, unchanged at 7.80 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.25 percent, up from 8.22 percent a week earlier.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.67 percent from 9.71, while the average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage dropped to 9.97 percent from 10.02.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan fell to 12.18 percent from 12.19.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - Farmers are harvesting a whopping 8.02 billion bushels of corn, 1 percent less than estimated one month ago but still the fifth largest crop ever and a follow-up to a huge wheat crop, the government said Thursday.

The new forecast - the most accurate gauge of production yet - was considered likely to encourage the government to try to restrain next year's feed grain acreage, just as it already is cutting back on wheat acreage.

U.S. grain production is up 10 percent from 1989. Wheat stockpiles are projected to nearly double due to bountiful crops around the world and less demand for export grain. Wheat prices have plunged since mid- summer.

Corn stockpiles were projected to shrink slightly, thanks to higher domestic demand offsetting a projected 300 million-bushel decline in exports.

In its October crop report, the Agriculture Department estimated the soybean crop at 1.82 billion bushels, down 5 percent from last year and 1 percent less than the 1.83 billion bushels forecast last month. Yield was projected for 32.3 bushels an acre, the same as last year and down 0.1 bushel from last month.

Farmers expanded corn acreage by 3 percent - 2 million acres - this year and are projected to reap a record 120.3 bushels an acre, 1.4 bushels less than estimated in September but up 4.1 bushels an acre from last year.

The department said it lowered its forecast of the corn crop by 1 percent because early harvest yields were lower than expected. Dry weather cut into yields in Iowa and while corn borer damage hurt Illinois yields.

The forecast corn crop of 8.02 billion bushels, along with ranking fifth in the record books, would be the first since 1986 to top the 8 billion-bushel mark. The record is 8.87 billion bushels in 1985.

The corn and soybean harvest is one-fourth complete. A wet spring and cool summer delayed crop development in the central states. Maturity is lagging several points behind normal but a warm September reduced the risk of freeze losses.

Wheat production was estimated at 2.74 billion bushels, the third largest ever and 35 percent larger than the weather-damaged 1989 crop although the new estimate is down 10 bushels from last month. Yields were a record 39.6 bushels an acre, up 6.9 bushels an acre. Harvest acreage is up 12 percent from 1989.

Spring wheat output, at 585.8 million bushels, would be a record and up 5.2 millon bushels from last month. Winter wheat production was downgraded by 18 million bushels.

The wheat set-aside for next year has been set at 15 percent, compared to 5 percent this year.

Feed grain farmers were required to idle 10 percent of their land to qualify for farm program benefits, such as loans and support payments, this year.

In a report accompanying the crop estimates, the Agriculture Department estimated market prices for this year's corn crop would average $2.20 to $2.60 a bushel, compared to the $2.36 average for 1989's crop. The corn stockpile was projected to shrink to 1.27 billion bushels by next fall, compared to 1.34 billion at the start of this year's harvest.

Wheat prices were projected to average $2.35 to $2.85 a bushel, much lower than the $3.72 paid for the 1989 crop. The wheat stockpile was estimated to total 923 million bushels next summer, compared to 536 million bushels last June 1. The ''carryover'' figure is down 20 million bushels from last month.

Cotton growers were projected to harvest 14.5 million bales, 1 percent less than last month but 19 percent more than last year's 12.2 million bales. The increase is due mostly to a 14 percent increase in acreage. Dry weather has stunted production in the Southeast and Deep South.

Tobacco production was projected for 1.57 billion pounds, up 2 percent from last month and well above last year's 1.37 billion pounds. More land is in production this year and per-acre yields are up.

In its first estimate for the new citrus crop, the Agriculture Department forecast the orange crop would fill 231 million boxes. That would be a 24 percent increase from the freeze-slashed harvest of 186 million boxes last season.

Sorghum production was forecast at 562 million bushels, down 1 percent from last month and 9 percent less than in 1989. Yields were forecast for 60.7 bushels an acre, 5.3 bushels more than last year but 1.1 bushels less than expected in September.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 11) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday that the basic U.S. money supply, known as M1, rose $7.7 billion in the latest reporting week. The broader monetary aggregate M2 increased by $8.5 billion, and the broadest measure of all, M3, increased by $2.3 billion.

M1, including cash, checking accounts and NOW accounts - money available for immediate spending - rose to a seasonally adjusted average of $829.3 billion in the week ended Oct. 1, from a revised $821.6 billion the week before.

Over the past 13 weeks, M1 averaged $816.1 billion, up 4.3 percent from where it stood over the previous 13-week period, the central bank said.

The more broadly defined M2 averaged an estimated $3,324.2 billion in the latest week, up from a revised $3,315.7 billion. M2 includes M1 plus passbook savings, small time deposits such as money market deposit accounts, consumer money market mutual funds and other short-term assets.

M3, defined as M2 plus large time deposits, securities repurchase agreements longer than one day at banks and thrifts, and institutional money market funds averaged $4,087.7 billion in the latest week, ahead from a revised $4,085.4 billion, the Fed said.

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#90284u1906 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - Growers will harvest 1.58 billion pounds of tobacco this year, the government said Thursday as it raised its estimate for the crop by 2 percent for the second month in a row.

The increase was due to higher yields than initially expected. Fields were projected to average 2,166 pounds an acre, 39 pounds more than forecast last month and 150 pounds more than last year's 2,016 pounds.

In addition, acreage is up 7 percent to 727,520 acres.

This would be the fourth year in a row for higher tobacco production. Output has been rebounding since the small 1986 harvest of 1.16 billion pounds, the smallest crop since 1936.

Flue-cured production was forecast at 906 million pounds, up 2 percent from last month and 12 percent larger than last year. Acreage is up 7 percent and the yield, forecast for 2,169 pounds an acre, is up 36 pounds since September and would be 100 pounds higher than last year.

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Burley production was projected at 582 million pounds, up 2 percent from last month's estimate of 568 million pounds, and 21 percent larger than last year. The average yield, forecat for 2,211 pounds an acre is up 53 pounds from last month and would be 236 pounds higher than last year's 1,975 pounds.

The crop was reported to be the best in years in eastern Tennessee.

The department's estimate of the 1990 tobacco crop in major producing states, based on Oct. 1 conditions, with 1989 production shown in parentheses:

Georgia 98.90 million (87.00 million), Kentucky 437.64 million (398.84

million), North Carolina 622.45 million (541.55 million), South Carolina 104.55 million (102.48 million), Tennessee 102.76 million (89.89 million) and Virginia 104.94 million (95.78 million).

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#90284u1912 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - Farmers are harvesting a whopping 8.02 billion bushels of corn, 1 percent less than estimated one month ago but still the fifth-largest crop ever and a follow-up to a huge wheat crop, the government said Thursday.

The new forecast - the most accurate gauge of production yet - was considered likely to encourage the government to try to restrain next year's feed grain acreage, just as it already is cutting back on wheat acreage.

U.S. grain production is up 10 percent from 1989. Wheat stockpiles are projected to nearly double due to bountiful crops around the world and less demand for export grain. Wheat prices have plunged since mid- summer.

Corn stockpiles were projected to shrink slightly, thanks to higher domestic demand offsetting a projected 300 million-bushel decline in exports.

In its October crop report, the Agriculture Department estimated the soybean crop at 1.82 billion bushels, down 5 percent from last year and 1 percent less than the 1.83 billion bushels forecast last month. Yield was projected for 32.3 bushels an acre, the same as last year and down 0.1 bushel from last month.

Farmers expanded corn acreage by 3 percent - 2 million acres - this year and are projected to reap a record 120.3 bushels an acre, 1.4 bushels less than estimated in September but up 4.1 bushels an acre from last year.

The department said it lowered the forecast of the corn crop by 1 percent because early harvest yields were lower than expected. Dry weather cut into yields in Iowa and while corn borer damage hurt Illinois yields.

The forecast corn crop of 8.02 billion bushels, along with ranking fifth in the record books, would be the first since 1986 to top the 8 billion-bushel mark. The record is 8.87 billion bushels in 1985.

The corn and soybean harvest is one-fourth complete. A wet spring and cool summer delayed crop development in the central states. Maturity is lagging several points behind normal, but a warm September reduced the risk of freeze losses.

Wheat production was estimated at 2.74 billion bushels, third-largest ever and 35 percent larger than the weather-damaged 1989 crop. Yields were a record

39.6 bushels an acre, up 6.9 bushels. Harvest acreage is up 12 percent from 1989.

Spring wheat output, at 585.8 million bushels, would be a record and up 5.2 millon bushels forecast last month. Winter wheat production was downgraded by 18 million bushels.

The wheat set-aside for next year has been set at 15 percent, compared to 5 percent this year.

Feed grain farmers were required to idle 10 percent of their land to qualify for farm program benefits, such as loans and support payments, this year.

In a report accompanying the crop estimates, the Agriculture Department estimated market prices for this year's corn crop would average $2.20 to $2.60 a bushel, compared to the $2.36 average for 1989's crop. The corn stockpile was projected to shrink to 1.27 billion bushels by next fall, compared to 1.34 billion at the start of this year's harvest.

Wheat prices were projected to average $2.35 to $2.85 a bushel, much lower than the $3.72 paid for the 1989 crop. The wheat stockpile was estimated to total 923 million bushels next summer, compared to 536 million bushels last June 1. The ''carryover'' figure is down 20 million bushels from last month.

Cotton growers were projected to harvest 14.5 million bales, 1 percent less than last month but 19 percent more than last year's 12.2 million bales. The increase is due mostly to a 14 percent increase in acreage. Dry weather has stunted production in the Southeast and the Deep South.

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#90284u1944 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

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#90284u1958 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (OCT. 11) UPI - Texas Republican gubernatorial candidate Clayton Williams, angered by inquiry into questionable practices of his bank, refused to shake hands and called his Democratic opponent Ann Richards ''a liar'' to her face Thursday.

He also compared negative campaigning by Richards with the actions of the late Sen. Joseph McCarthy, whose persecution of suspected communists in the 1950s eventually was labeled a ''witch hunt.''

Williams set the tone for another bitter round of negative politics in the campaign's final weeks at the first face-to-face meeting of the two candidates in more than two months.

The clash occurred as Williams arrived at the head table of the Greater Dallas Crime Commission luncheon.

Williams, who had earlier met with reporters, arrived in the middle of the invocation. When he walked over to greet others at the table, she stood up to shake hands. He refused.

''Ann, I'm here to call you a liar today,'' Williams said.

''I'm sorry, Clayton...'' Richards started to respond.

''That's what you are,'' Williams said. ''You lied about me. You lied about Mark White. You lied about Jim Mattox. I'm gonna finish this deal and you can count on it.''

White and Mattox were her opponents in the primary.

Williams then shook hands with others at the head table, crossed behind Richards without looking at her and took his place.

Williams said Richards had crossed the line by talking about his business.

Richards suggested Wednesday that her opponent is refusing to debate her because he fears questions about his connections with Lloyd Williams, a Houston insurance broker, who directed a credit insurance program for ClayDesta National Bank, which is owned by candidate Williams.

Authorities in Austin are investigating allegations that high-risk car buyers in Houston and Dallas were forced to purchase costly, unwanted insurance as a condition for getting loans through ClayDesta.

The program was halted in February after federal banking authorities raised questions. Lloyd Williams, who is not related to the GOP candidate, also is under federal investigation for drug-money laundering in a Houston case.

Richards called on Clayton Williams ''to cooperate with the investigation and tell the voters of Texas what his relationship was with Lloyd Williams.''

''I resent the lies where she attacks my businesses and business record unfairly. I think maybe all the holds are off,'' Williams told reporters before the luncheon.

During his speech, Williams said he knows politics is a tough business, but ''even politics has boundaries.''

Williams then addressed Richards as he spoke of the McCarthy era witch hunts.

''The words that brought Joe McCarthy to a halt were these. They were uttered to your predecessor some 36 years ago and they were, and I repeat to you, 'Have you no sense of decency? Man, have you at long last lost all your decency?''' he asked, looking at Richards.

Williams rushed from the platform immediately after his speech, not waiting to hear his opponent's response.

Richards made no reference to her opponent during her speech.

Richards showed she would not back away from discussion of Williams' business dealings late Thursday when she issued a press release citing quarterly financial reports from ClayDesta National Bank that indicated the bank lost $6.1 million from its opening in 1982 until December 1989.

''However, since ClayDesta began its association with Lloyd Williams in a $12.5 million car loan and insurance venture in Houston and Dallas the bank has reported more than $500,000 in profits in the first six months of 1990,'' the Richards release said.

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#90284u1963 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 11) UPI - The Air Force today grounded training flights in Saudi Arabia for 24 hours to conduct safety awareness meetings with pilots. The stand-down comes after six airmen died in three crashes during Operation Desert Shield.

President Bush is offering a tax increase for the rich in exchange for a cut in the capital gains tax. But he says pursuing such a deal during deficit-reduction talks with Congress would be ''a waste of time.'' Bush told a group of Republican lawmakers that they should try another approach.

Analysts say poor September sales reported by the nation's major retailers today provide further evidence that the economy is in a recessionary trend. The slow sales are expected to continue for the rest of the year.

A defense lawyer in the trial of a second group of teen-agers accused in the brutal April 1989 attack on a jogger in New York's Central Park says the defense team is divided over whether to question the victim about her sex life. He says the dispute could result in a mistrial.

A defense attorney in the Fort Lauderdale, Florida, obscenity trial of the rap group 2 Live Crew questioned potential jurors today about how cursing affects them. Lawyer Bruce Rogow says he was looking for jurors who are familiar with rap music or at least have an open mind about swearing.

The space shuttle Atlantis begins its long, slow crawl to the launch pad at Cape Canveral at midnight and work then begins to get it ready for a secret military mission around November 7th. Once Atlantis reaches pad 39-A the fuel leak-plagued Columbia will be hauled to pad 39-B nearby for more tests.

A comatose Illinois man whose family went to court to win him the right to die passed away today in a nursing home. 82-year-old Alzheimer'spatient Sydney Greenspan had been in a coma for five years. His feeding tube was removed last week but he had begun swallowing and was taking nourishment.

Prosecutors in Santa Monica, California, say actor Marlon Brando will testify at his son's forthcoming murder trial and they will seek to force Christian Brando to take the stand. The younger Brando is accused of fatally shooting his half sister's boyfriend at Brando's Hollywood Hills mansion in May.

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#90284u1989 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (OCT. 11) UPI - UAL Corp. proposed a discount stock-purchase plan for United Airlines employees Thursday - two days after rejecting the latest employee buyout proposal - and got a brusque response from union leaders.

UAL proposed to permit individual employees to purchase up to 20 percent of

the company's stock at a 15 percent discount off the market price. The proposal also included an option allowing workers to by non- discounted stock in various investment plans offered to both union and non-union employees.

''It is ironic that UAL proposes to sell 20 percent of its stock to its employees at a discount only two days after rejecting our offer to buy all of the stock at a significant premium above the current market price,'' union leaders said in a joint statement.

''While the unions representing the flight attendants, pilots and machinists, and other employees of United agree that United employees should own UAL stock management's proposal for limited stock ownership raises numerous issues which must be addressed in negotiations,'' the statement said.

Joining in the statement were Fred Dubinsky of the Airline Pilots Association, V. Diane Robertson of the Association of Flight Attendants, and John Peterpaul of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace workers.

All three unions had been working under expired contracts while pursuing efforts to make United the world's largest employee-owned company, and are returning to contract negotiations with UAL.

The unions and non-union employees joined forces earlier this year to mount a $4.4 billion, $201 a share bid for parent UAL. UAL directors agreed to the offer by the employee group - United Employee Acquisition Corp. - last April and gave them until Oct. 9 to come up with financing.

But UEAC was unable to obtain the needed bank loans, and the UAL board terminated the merger agreement Tuesday offer after rejecting two alternative bids that included little cash.

While the unions set the value of one of the alternative bids at $205 a share and the other at $203 a share, but analysts estimated the values at considerably less.

The first alternative included only $70 a share in cash, with the remainder in preferred stock and debt. The second included no cash at all, consisting entirely of preferred stock and debt instruments.

Analysts set the value of the offers at significantly below the amount quoted by the unions.

United's 13,000 flight attendants have been working without a new contract since March 1987, while the airline's 6,000 pilots have been working under an extended contract since April 1988.

The contract betweeen United and the International Association of Machinists - its biggest union, with some 23,000 members - expired last November.

The three unions had agreed to contract concessions totaling $2 billion as part of the buyout, will be seeking major improvements in wages and benefits.

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#90284u2002 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 11) UPI - New Orleans quarterback Bobby Hebert, frustrated by the Saints' failed attempts to trade him, filed suit in Superior Court Thursday to force a deal.

Hebert, a holdout since the start of the season, is seeking an injuction to prevent the Los Angeles Raiders from continuing to participate in what the National Football League Players Association called the league's ''unlawful system of player restraints.''

The quarterback alleges that the Raiders have publicly stated their desire to acquire Hebert, but they have done nothing because of the NFL's rules for player movement. The Raiders have stayed with Jay Schroeder, who is the AFC's top-rated quarterback.

The suit was filed in California state court under a state law which makes it unlawful for an employer to prevent an employee from pursuing his livelihood.

Attempts to reach the Raiders for comment were unsuccessful.

Attorney Louis Meisinger, who represents Hebert, would not rule out additional action against the Saints and NFL.

''Beyond having filed the initial lawsuits, plans for other lawsuits are in the future,'' Meisinger said. ''Those are matters or private deliberation.''

A preliminary hearing on the suit was scheduled for Oct. 26.

''The case of Bobby Hebert is only the latest example of how the NFL's illegal Plan B system is destroying the careers of NGL players,'' said NFLPA Executive Director Gene Upshaw.

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#90284u2011 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 11) UPI - Former Lincoln Savings and Loan head Charles H. Keating Jr., having exhausted his options at the state court level, asked a federal court Thursday to reduce his $5 million bail.

In court documents, Keating's attorneys argued that the banker's current bail is in violation of his constitutional rights and noted that two co-defendants ''charged with identical crimes received bail 50 times lower than Keating's.''

Keating, 66, has been held in County Jail since Sept. 18, when his bail was set by Superior Court Judge Gary Klausner, who said Keating was a flight risk.

Keating, the former operator of the failed Lincoln Savings & Loan in Irvine, just three years ago estimated his wealth at nearly $40 million. But he now claims he is $5.2 million in debt and therefore cannot post the bail.

After Klausner denied an initial defense request to lower the bail, defense lawyers appealed the $5 million bail to the state's 2nd District Court of Appeal, but were turned down Sept. 25.

They then appealed to the California Supreme Court, but it declined to enter the dispute Wednesday. If rebuffed in U.S. District Court, the defense can then appeal to a federal appellate court and ultimately to the U.S. Supreme Court.

A federal court hearing could be scheduled as early as Friday, court officials said.

In the court documents filed Thursday, attorneys for Keating said he could post a $60,000 cash bond and up to $500,000 by pledging the homes of his children as collateral.

''Keating has known that he was the subject of several ongoing criminal investigations for more than a year, yet Keating did not flee'' before his indictment, the documents said.

Klausner set Keating's $5 million bond minutes after a special grand jury indictment was unsealed, accusing Keating and his three co- defendants of defrauding 23,000 investors out of $250 million in the sale of now-worthless junk bonds.

The indictment charges the four defendants with 42 state securities fraud counts for allegedly scheming to sell the junk bonds issued by Lincoln's parent company, American Continental Corp. of Phoenix, without telling investors that the bonds were high-risk and uninsured. Authorities say many of the victims lost their life savings.

The three co-defendants are Judy J. Wischer, 42, former president of American Continental, Rob S. Symes, 37, former Lincoln chief executive officer, and Ray C. Fidel, former Lincoln president.

Wischer is free on $200,000 bail; Symes and Fidel are free on $100, 000 bail each.

The defendants have pleaded innocent to the charges. If convicted, they could be sentenced to up to 10 years in state prison.

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#90284u2013 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - U.S. grain production this year will total 312.3 million metric tons, the Agriculture Department estimated Thursday, down slightly from September estimate of 315.3 million tons.

If the estimate holds up, U.S. production would be 10 percent larger than last year's 281.9 million tons and a vast improvement from the drought-slashed harvest of 204.2 million tons in 1988. There are 2,204.6 pounds in a metric ton.

Here is a list of estimates for each crop, compared to the September estimate and production in 1989 and 1988:

Figures are in millions of bushels:

Crop	Oct.	Sept.	1989	1988	
Corn	8,021	8,118	7,527	4,921	
Wntr wht	2,036	2,054	1,453	1,561	
Sprng wht	707	701	582	250	
All wht	2,743	2,755	2,035	1,811	
Sorghm	562	572	618	578	
Barley	419	409	403	291	
Oats	358	365	374	219	---
Sybns	1,823	1,834	1,926	1,538	---

Figures are in millions of hundredweight:

Rice	158	159	154	160	---

Figures are in millions of bales:

Cotton	14.5	14.7	12.2	15.4

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#90284u2016 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - The Agriculture Department's estimates, based on Oct. 1 conditions, of 1990 per-acre corn yields and total state production, in millions of bushels, compared with its September estimate and 1989 production:

State	Yld.	Oct.	Sept.	1989
Colo.	150	126.00	126.00	134.85
Ga.	62	36.27	36.27	52.25
Ill.	130	1,352.00	1,393.60	1,322.25
Ind.	132	719.40	719.40	691.60
Iowa	133	1,635.00	1,660.50	1,445.50
Kan.	130	188.50	188.50	155.00
Ky.	97	116.40	116.40	136.88

Md.	110	49.50	46.80	44.00
Mich.	115	235.75	235.75	222.61
Minn.	125	762.50	762.50	700.00
Mo.	103	200.85	200.85	219.84
Neb.	130	949.00	963.60	852.00
N.C.	63	67.41	67.41	88.35
Ohio	123	418.20	425.00	342.20
Pa.	110	107.80	107.80	98.88
S.D.	78	218.40	226.80	190.80
Texas	95	142.50	142.50	148.40
Wis.	114	330.60	333.50	310.80 ---

The Oct. 1 estimated 1990 per-acre yields and production of soybeans, in millions of bushels, for major states, compared with the September estimate and 1989 production:

State	Yld.	Oct.	Sept.	1989
Ala.	17	7.65	8.55	11.97
Ark.	23	70.15	70.15	76.80
Ga.	15	12.45	16.34	28.60
Ill.	38	345.80	345.80	354.00
Ind.	39	165.75	157.25	168.35
Iowa	39	308.10	308.10	322.92
Ky.	30	36.30	36.30	36.85
La.	24	40.80	40.80	33.60
Minn.	36	162.00	162.00	185.00
Miss.	20	40.00	40.00	40.00
Mo.	28	114.80	114.80	123.98
Neb.	33	77.55	82.25	81.92
N.C.	23	31.05	35.10	41.85
Ohio	37	136.16	132.48	127.36
Tenn.	24	30.00	28.75	29.76 ---

The Oct. 1 estimates of 1990 sorghum for grain in leading states, in millions of bushels, compared with the September estimate and 1989 production:

State	Oct.	Sept.	1989
Ark.	16.74	16.74	21.08
Kan.	184.80	190.40	198.75
La.	5.95	5.95	6.18
Mo.	41.60	41.60	45.03
Neb.	110.60	114.80	102.30
Okla.	15.40	16.10	17.64
Texas	128.80	128.80	164.30 ---

The Oct. 1 estimates of durum wheat production in leading states, in millions of bushels, compared with the September estimate and 1989 production:

State	Oct.	Sept.	1989
Ariz.	4.13	4.05	7.56
Calif.	5.34	5.41	8.71
Minn.	1.32	1.25	1.04
Mont.	3.99	3.29	6.03
N.D.	103.70	103.70	66.00
S.D.	3.20	2.80	2.88

The Oct. 1 production estimates for other spring wheat, in millions of bushels, compared with the September estimate and 1989 production:

State	Oct.	Sept.	1989
Idaho	29.70	27.90	34.72
Minn.	134.75	132.00	96.90
Mont.	56.35	56.70	85.00
N.D.	277.20	274.75	174.00
S.D.	67.20	67.20	45.10
Wash.	12.60	13.44	41.70

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#90284u2030 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - United Press International announced Thursday it would concentrate its editorial resources in 15 of the nation's most populous states and the District of Columbia and enter an ''attack mode'' in big cities with six new MetroRegional wires.

The 83-year-old news service plans to intensify its reporting of business and finance, economics and trade, government, crime and ''quality of life'' issues UPI Executive Vice President Pieter VanBennekom said.

''UPI will serve primarily the general news, business and sports clients who are most serious about news - news executives who rely on newswire reports and programming to help shape the personality and competitiveness of their own news services,'' VanBennekom said.

The 15 states linked to the MetroRegional wires are California, New York, New Jersey, Texas, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Michigan, Florida, Ohio, Massachusetts, Indiana, New Hampshire, Delaware, Maryland and Virginia.

VanBennekom said the new plan would also improve coverage in Connecticut, Georgia, and Rhode Island. He said more MetroRegional wires may be launched in 1992, depending on the program's success.

Other states will be covered with ''outstanding reporters'' scattered throughout the country, VanBennekom said.

The new plan is based on the fact that UPI derives approximately 82 percent of

its revenue from the 15 target states, he said.

VanBennekom told an afternoon meeting of the editorial staff it would be a ''safe guess'' that the new plan would result in some layoffs, but he did not say how many. He said some reporters laid off in the last two months may be rehired for the new MetroRegional wires.

He said there would be little change in the international or photographic reports.

UPI has shifted its emphasis from being a ''duplicative, confirmatory'' second wire service alongside the Associated Press and Reuters, to becoming an ''entrepreneurial news and information service'' that pursues ''front page stories, ... gets behind the news and follows the dollar.''

He said the new MetroRegional plan would put UPI into an ''attack mode.''

VanBennekom said UPI's Washington news operation will continue to center around beat reporting of the White House, and federal regulatory and congressional affairs. He said UPI will also continue its practice of covering events at the request of individual clients, with pricing based on hourly or assignment fees.

Asked whether financial problems faced by UPI's parent company, Infotechnology Inc., and its sister company, Financial News Network, were affecting the wire service, VanBennekom said it was a factor in bringing UPI to ''cash-flow self-sufficiency.''

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#90284u2061 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

SACRAMENTO, CA (OCT. 11) UPI - The former mayor of South Lake Tahoe was sentenced to nine years in prison on drug and money-laundering charges Thursday, but not before he tearfully accused federal investigators of threatening to kill him if he didn't commit illegal acts.

''I was told if I went to the police, I'd be killed,'' said Terry Trupp, his voice cracking with emotion as he read a statement to U.S. District Judge Milton Schwartz.

Trupp, 47, said he became involved in the illegal scheme because he thought he was helping the CIA and that prosecutors orchestrated the entire transaction.

He was arrested in June 1989 with his wife, Kimberly, as the result of an elaborate 20-month federal sting called Operation Deep Snow. Soon after his arrest, he resigned from office.

Investigators said Trupp received $48,500 in commissions for laundering

$655,000 in what he thought was drug money, but was really money supplied by undercover agents.

Investigators said Trupp had told an undercover agent that he had a way to launder or disguise the source of money outside the United States so that it would appear to have come from a legitimate source.

Trupp also told agents in the sting that his money-laundering system had been in place for 20 years, and left no trail or tax liability.

He later pleaded guilty to two counts of money laundering and using a telephone in a drug transaction.

In court Thursday, he said he was lured into the scheme by agents who led him to believe the money was being laundered as part of a CIA ''Contra-related'' operation.

Many of the early conversations had to do with Oliver North, the one- time White House aide who was a central figure in the Iran-Contra scandal, but weren't secretly recorded by undercover agents as other conversations were, he told the judge.

Once embroiled in money laundering, he said, ''the talk turned from freedom fighting to drug dealing'' and it became clear he was involved not with the CIA, but with members of a Colombian drug ring.

He told of being taken on a yacht off the coast of San Diego that he was told was equipped with anti-aircraft guns and surface-to-air missiles. Once aboard, he was told of another member of the ring who had been killed in Mexico and his head and hands cut off.

He said the message was clear to him that if tried to back out, he would be killed.

After making his statement, Assistant U.S. Attorney Tom Flynn said it appeared that Trupp didn't believe he was guilty, even though he had pleaded guilty.

Schwartz noted that he had ruled months ago, after a protracted hearing, that there was no ''outrageous government misconduct,'' as defense lawyers claimed.

The judge also denied a request by Trupp to be freed for 60 days so he could visit his 81-year-old mother in Arizona. Trupp has been held without bail since his arrest.

Kimberly Trupp, 25, is serving a 21-month sentence after pleading guilty to a charge of using a telephone for a drug transaction.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - The Senate unanimously adopted legislation Thursday aimed at curbing the worldwide use of large-scale drift nets, a fishing practice highly destructive to dolphins and other marine life.

The bill bans drift nets of more than 1 1/2 miles in length from being cast in U.S. waters and prohibits their use by American fishing fleets anywhere on the high seas.

It also directs the secretary of state to negotiate agreements with other nations leading to a worldwide abolition of large drift nets, and gives the president power to order an embargo on fish products from any country that violates international drift-net conventions.

Drift nets, made of fine monofilament mesh, are hung in the water from floating cork lines to form virtually invisible curtains in the ocean extending for up to 40 miles in length.

Used by Asian fishing fleets in the North Pacific ostensibly to catch squid, drift nets are known to indiscriminately snare and kill large numbers of dolphin, sea birds, turtles and fish.

''They literally strip-mine the ocean,'' said Sen. John Kerry, D- Mass., a chief sponsor of the bill. ''One-third of the catch from those driftnets is thrown away, not useable for commercial purposes.''

The drift-net restrictions were adopted as part of a bill to reauthorize spending for the next five years under the 1976 Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act.

The bill cleared the Senate on a 98-0 vote, with Sens. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., and Pete Wilson, R-Calif., absent.

The legislation now goes to the House, which can either accept the bill or request negotiations with the Senate to iron out differences with a House-passed version of the legislation.

The Magnuson law, named for its chief author, the late Sen. Warren Magnuson, D-Wash., was enacted 14 years ago in response to concerns that foreign fleets were depleting fishing stocks off U.S. shores.

A key provision of the bill extends federal authority to manage fisheries under the Magnuson act to cover tuna, a highly migratory species that currently is regulated only by international convention.

The legislation also gives the commerce secretary power to close a U.S. fishery to new fleets for up to 36 months if stocks are found to be seriously

diminished.

Sponsors of the Senate bill say the drift-net provisions were written to dovetail a U.N. resolution adopted in December that calls for a moratorium on large-scale driftnets in the South Pacific by July 1991 and worldwide ban a year later.

Japan announced in July that it was suspending its South Pacific drift-net fishing this year and Taiwan has said it would meet the 1991 deadline. However both nations and South Korea continue to use drift nets in the North Pacific.

Large driftnets are generally not used in U.S. waters or by American fishermen on the high seas, but the U.S. ban is intended to keep it that way, an official for the National Marine Fisheries Service said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - The new orange crop will fill 231 million boxes, up 24 percent from last season's freeze-damaged crop and led by a 50 percent upturn in Florida, the government said Thursday in its first estimate of the crop.

A Christmas weekend freeze knifed into production in Florida and Texas last year. The Agriculture Department said damage was so severe in Texas the new crop ''is virtually eliminated.''

''The freeze reduced acreage by about a third of the pre-1989 level. Heavy pruning and hedging was necessary in surviving groves,'' it said. ''Hot, dry conditions hampered regrowth ... Regrowth, however, looked good in most groves.''

Oranges are the dominant U.S. citrus crop and Florida is the No. 1 orange state, producing about two-thirds of the nation's total. Last season's crop totaled 186 million boxes, 11 percent smaller than the 1988-1989 crop.

The department projected Florida would harvest 165 million boxes of oranges, up 50 percent from last year. Early and mid-season varieties were projected at 95 million boxes, up 40 percent. Valencia production was pegged at 70 million boxes, up 66 percent.

California growers were expected to harvest 64 million boxes, down 12 percent from last season. The new crop was projected to include 40 million boxes of navel oranges, 9 percent less than last season, and 24 million boxes of Valencias, 4 percent less.

No estimates will be made for Texas production because of freeze damage to trees, the government said, ''unless sufficient commercial supplies become

available.''

Frozen concentrated juice yield from Florida oranges was estimated at 1.52 gallons per box, up markedly from last season's 1.23 gallons per box. The low yield is a sign of freeze losses. The record is 1.55 gallons, set in 1987-1988.

The U.S. grapefruit crop was forecast for 56.6 million boxes, 30 percent more than last season. Damage from last year's freeze will mean only a limited supply of Texas grapefruit will be grown.

Florida's grapefruit harvest was projected at 50.5 million boxes, up 41 percent from last season. California was expected to harvest 3.9 million boxes of desert grapefruit. Production from other parts of the state will not be estimated until April.

Citrus measurements vary from crop to crop and from state to state. For example, California and Arizona orange boxes are 75 pounds each. Florida orange boxes weigh 90 pounds each.

Value of last season's citrus crop was $2.24 billion, 16 percent less than the preceding season.

Here are Agriculture Department citrus estimates of the 1990-1991 crop, based on Oct. 1 conditions, with the 1989-90 harvest in parentheses:

Oranges: Arizona 1.75 million boxes (1.57 million), including 1.2 million of Valencias (1.19 million); California 64 million boxes (73.1 million), including 24 million of Valencias (29 million); Florida 165 million boxes (110.2 million), including 70 million of Valencias (42.1 million); Texas NA (1.2 million boxes, including 155,000 of Valencias).

Grapefruit: Arizona 2.2 million (2.2 million); California 3.9 million boxes excluding ''other areas'' (8.7 million); Florida 50.5 million boxes (35.7 million); Texas NA (2 million boxes).

Lemons: Arizona 3.1 million boxes (2.9 million); California 17 million boxes (15.7 million).

Tangelos: Florida 3.1 million boxes (2.95 million).

Tangerines: Arizona 650,000 boxes (600,000); California 2 million boxes (1.6 million); Florida 2.1 million boxes (1.7 million).

Temples: Florida 3.1 million boxes (1.4 million).

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BUENA PARK, Calif. (OCT. 12) UPI - Lucky Stores, fighting for market share in the highly competitive Southern California market, began offering shopping by phone Thursday with same day delivery from more than 150 stores.

The service is being provided by Shoppers Express, which operates home delivery service with major supermarket chains in 11 other states and Washington D.C.

Lucky and Shoppers Express said their service, which is available in Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego counties, is the first home shopping and delivery offered through a major supermarket chain in the region.

The service costs $12.50 for same-day delivery and $11.95 for next- day service. Seniors pay 95 cents for the service.

Aside from the delivery charges, customers pay the same prices as those in the store.

The orders can be placed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Deliveries are made between noon and 3 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on weekdays.

The stores will provide a free catalog with 5,000 items, but all ''Home delivery coupled with our everyday low prices can save shoppers both time and money,'' said William Yingling III, president of the Southern California Division of Lucky.

Salt Lake City-based American Stores operates both the Lucky and Alpha Beta chains in Southern California. They are battling the Vons, Ralphs, Albertson's and Stater Bros. chains in that market, one of the nation's most lucrative.

Kevin Sheehan, director of operations for privately held Shoppers Express, said the key customers for the home delivery service are working people with tight schedules.

''We do get some business from seniors, but most of the business comes from time-pressed people,'' Sheehan said.

Shoppers Express of Bethesda, Md., was founded four years ago by Elan Blutinger, its president. It began offering the service two years later in Washington, D.C. through the A&P chain, then expanded to New Jersey through the Shopright stores.

It now offers the service in Arkansas, Colorado, Connecticut, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Northern California, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Washington D.C.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - The Pentagon today announced that the Air Force imposed a safety stand-down as a result of three recent crashes in Saudi Arabia that killed six airmen. The Air Force grounded its training flights in Saudi Arabia for 24 hours. A Pentagon spokesman says Air Force officials wanted to get the pilots together and once again stress safety.

President Bush is calling on lawmakers to adopt the basic elements of the 500-BILLION-dollar deficit-reduction plan rejected by the House last week. Bush is once again championing the measure because it does NOT address a cut in the capital gains tax NOR a tax hike for the nation's wealthy. The president today expressed little hope in working out a deal that would provide for both elements in a new budget plan.

Tropical Storm Marco is sweeping northward along Florida's Gulf Coast past Tampa Bay with its top winds now down to 40 miles an hour. Officials say the most serious injury caused by the storm occurred today when a Sarasota County man's car was smashed by a tree blown down by fierce winds. The man was listed in critical condition at a Sarasota hospital.

NATO nations were united today in welcoming a U-S-Soviet agreement on conventional forces in Europe reached last week in New York. Western officials downplayed a Warsaw Pact split over tank levels agreed to in the pact. Authorities believe a finalized agreement will be ready for signing at a 34-nation summit in Paris next month.

The African National Congress today accused the South African government of endangering talks on ending apartheid. The A-N-C charges that Pretoria has breached understandings reached in preliminary talks. A-N-C officials now question the integrity of South African President de Klerk.

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#90284u2114 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
ANCHORAGE, Alaska (OCT. 11) UPI - The Justice Department has revealed in court papers that it intends to sue Exxon Corp. to recover government costs of responding to the nation's worst oil spill and to obtain damages from Exxon.

Federal criminal charges already have been filed against Exxon and subsidiary Exxon Shipping Co. over the spill. And the state of Alaska and thousands of plaintiffs have filed some 160 civil damage suits against the oil giant for dumping 11 million gallons of oil into Prince William Sound when its tanker smashed into a reef in March 1989.

But for the first time since the wreck of the Exxon Valdez, the Justice Department has openly acknowledged that it will file a civil damage suit in addition to its criminal case against Exxon.

Government lawyers declined to comment on the brief statement of Justice Department intentions contained in documents filed Tuesday in U.S. District Court in Anchorage in connection with the pending civil case.

The Justice Department filed papers protesting a proposal by U.S. District Court Judge H. Russel Holland that civil plaintiffs rely on a $100 million trans-Alaska pipeline liability fund to settle their damages with Exxon.

Federal lawyers supported plaintiffs' objections to the proposal, arguing that the $100 million was insufficient to pay existing claims and that the Justice Department would be making additional claims against Exxon.

''Although it is not presently a party to these actions,'' Justice Department lawyers wrote in their Exxon civil suit brief, ''the United States is actively preparing to bring civil claims in this forum or another against at least some of the defendants for, among other things, costs that it has incurred for cleanup of the spilled oil and damages for injury to, destruction of or loss of natural resources resulting from the oil spill.''

No dollar amount for damages was specified. But the 21-page brief, filed by the department's Environment & Natural Resources Division, said: ''Because there is a $100 million limit on recovery from the (trans-Alaska pipeline liability) fund for each oil spill, the fund is obviously inadequate to satisfy the claims of the current plaintiffs, much less the additional, very substantial claims of the United States.''

The Justice Department brief said: ''The United States has not yet asserted its civil claims arising from the oil spill largely because it has a pending criminal case relating to the oil spill against two of the primary civil case defendants'' - Exxon Shipping and Exxon.

If convicted in the criminal case, Exxon faces fines of more than $700 million ''excluding natural resource damages,'' according to a Justice Department statement. Trial in the criminal case is set for April.

In objecting to the Justice Department filing a brief in the civil case, Exxon lawyers said: ''A year and a half after the spill, the government still keeps the court and the parties in the dark as to the nature of its claims, the forum in which they will be asserted and the parties against whom they will be directed.''

Last month, Exxon filed its own claim against the Coast Guard for $2.2 billion - Exxon's spill response costs plus partial out-of-court settlements with some fishermen. The administrative claim, a precursor to a lawsuit, also asks the Coast Guard to pay any damages for which Exxon is held liable in court.

Exxon said the Coast Guard was responsible for the spill because it licensed the allegedly unfit tanker crewmen and because it failed to warn the ship it

was heading into Bligh Reef.

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MONTREAL (OCT. 12) UPI - Alcan Aluminum Ltd. Thursday reported third-quarter earnings of $97 million, or 41 cents a share, down 46 percent from $180 million, or 77 cents a share, in the year-ago period.

The aluminum producer's revenues increased to $2.24 billion from $2.19 billion in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months, Alcan reported earnings of $353 million, or $1.50 a share, down from $693 million, or $2.98 a share, in 1989. Revenues slipped to $6.5 billion from $6.75 billion in 1989.

Alcan's chairman David Morton said poor earnings from the company's operations in Europe and Latin America contributed to the overall decline but ''industry fundamentals remain sound in the longer term.''

Alcan said shipments of fabricated products were off just 3 percent but that margins were 30 percent lower than a year ago.

Alcan is a leading integrated producer of primary aluminum and manufacturer of aluminum products. In 1989, Alcan's produced 1.76 million tons, or 12 percent of the western world's total.

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(OCT. 12) - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	4	1	0	.800	130	99	2-1	W-3
Miami	4	1	0	.800	108	73	3-0	W-2
Indianapolis	2	3	0	.400	81	108	0-2	W-2
New York Jets	2	3	0	.400	104	109	1-2	L-1
New England	1	4	0	.200	80	152	1-2	L-2

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	4	1	0	.800	137	105	0-0	W-1
Houston	2	3	0	.400	98	108	0-1	L-1
Pittsburgh	2	3	0	.400	48	85	1-1	L-3
Cleveland	1	3	0	.250	48	85	1-0	L-3

WEST								
LA Raiders	4	1	0	.800	99	73	2-0	L-1
Kansas City	3	2	0	.600	117	71	0-1	L-1
Denver	2	2	0	.500	95	97	2-1	L-1
Seattle	2	3	0	.400	108	104	0-2	W-2
San Diego	1	4	0	.200	75	105	0-0	L-2
NATIONAL CONFERENCE								
EAST								
	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	4	0	0	1.000	106	47	3-0	W-4
Washington	3	1	0	.750	101	51	3-0	W-2
Dallas	2	3	0	.400	70	102	0-3	W-1
Philadelphia	1	3	0	.250	91	95	0-2	L-1
Phoenix	1	3	0	.250	40	118	1-2	L-2
CENTRAL								
Chicago	4	1	0	.800	104	66	3-0	W-1
Tampa Bay	3	2	0	.600	112	106	3-0	L-1
Green Bay	2	3	0	.400	76	93	1-2	L-1
Detroit	2	3	0	.400	127	126	1-3	W-1
Minnesota	1	4	0	.200	116	103	0-3	L-3
WEST								
San Francisco	4	0	0	1.000	82	59	2-0	W-4
Atlanta	2	2	0	.500	102	94	1-1	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	1	3	0	.250	111	111	0-0	L-1
New Orleans	1	3	0	.250	70	80	0-2	L-1

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - Soviet farmers are reaping a grain crop of 235 million metric tons - only 2 million tons short of the record - but the Kremlin still will import large amounts of grain, the Agriculture Department said Thursday.

The department's forecast of the Soviet crop was up 5 million tons from last month due to Soviet reports about the progress of the harvest. As of Oct. 1, 211.5 million tons of grain had been harvested, matching last year's total of 210.9 million tons, and a sizable portion of the crop was still in the field.

Eight percent of the sown area, excluding corn, and most of the corn was yet to be harvested. Farmers planted grain on 110 hectares, or about 273 million acres, this year.

Soviet ''grain imports for the 1990-1991 marketing year continue to be

estimated at 30 million tons,'' the Foreign Agricultural Service said. ''The level of ... imports is believed in part dependent on the amount of domestic grain procurements.''

The state has acquired 59 million tons of grain ''with another 5 million to 8 million tons likely to be delivered,'' the FAS said, compared with last year's total of 59 million tons, when the Kremlin bought 38 million tons of foreign grain.

Slumping wheat prices were expected to steer the Kremlin away from feed grains and toward wheat, which can be used as a livestock feed as well as serving as a food grain. The Soviets were projected to buy 14 million tons of wheat, the same as last year, and 15 million tons of feed grains, an 8 million tons reduction.

The Soviet Union bought 255,000 tons of soybean meal last week, its first major entry into the U.S. market since before the fall harvest.

''Prospects for a bumper 1990 grain crop, some temporary financial constraints and the uncertainty caused by economic and political reforms probably have delayed (Soviet) grain purchases,'' the FAS said.

As an inducement, the United States is offering to subsidize the sale of up to 500,000 tons of wheat flour, the first offer of discount prices to the Soviets on anything other than wheat.

Agriculture Department officials also have been arguing within the administration in favor of granting the Kremlin access to U.S. export credit guarantees.

The Soviet Union became a major grain importer during the 1970s as part of a decision to increase production of meat, poultry and dairy products.

The Kremlin is the No. 1 customer for U.S. export grain. It bought 20.3 million tons of corn and wheat during fiscal 1990, following a record 21.7 million tons in fiscal 1989.

A new grain agreement between the superpowers will take effect Jan. 1. It obligates the Kremlin to buy at least 10 million tons of U.S. grain annually for the next five years.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - The House approved a compromise plan Thursday that supporters hope will end a year-long controversy over government funding of art projects that may be considered obscene.

The bill, passed on a 349-76 vote and sent to the Senate, would reauthorize funds for the National Endowment for the Arts with the directive that the NEA may not fund obscene art.

The bill leaves it up to the courts, not the NEA, to determine if specific art projects are obscene. If a project is found to violate obscenity law the NEA could order the artist to return whatever federal funds were provided for the project.

The compromise plan offered as an amendment by Reps. Pat Williams D- Mont., and Thomas Coleman, R-Mo., also would shift more federal grant money to the states. Under present rules, 80 percent of the grant money is awarded by the federal agency and 20 percent by state arts agencies. That would be changed to a 65-35 percent ratio.

Rep. Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif., the House's most outspoken critic of the NEA, tried unsuccessfully to amend the bill to include specific guidelines on the kind of art projects that could not be funded, including works that are sexually explicit or denigrate the flag or religion. His amendment was rejected on a 249-175 vote.

An amendment by Rep. Phil Crane, R-Ill., to abolish the NEA was defeated on a 361-64 vote.

The NEA came under fire in Congress last year for providing grants that were used in the production or exhibition of a few controversial art works, including an exhibition of photographs by Robert Mapplethorpe. Critics charged the material was obscene and said the federal government should not be funding such projects.

Officials of a Cincinnati art museum were charged with obscenity violations after showing the Mapplethorpe collection, but a jury just last week acquitted them and said the exhibition, while offensive in part, was not obscene.

During debate on the bill, Coleman said that in the 25 years the NEA has existed the agency ''has proved a worthy guardian and sponsor of our nation's cultural history.''

He noted the NEA recently sponsored the acclaimed television series on the Civil War and overall has provided some 41,000 grants totaling $2 billion and ''only a handful'' have gained notoriety.

Williams said the compromise plan would ''make substantive changes in almost every phase of the NEA's grant application and approval funding process,'' and places ''ultimate accountability'' with the chairman of the NEA.

''On the issue of content, the subsitute makes clear that the constitutional prohibitions against obscenity shall apply to the National Endowment for the

Arts.''

Rohrabacher said his amendment was intended to ensure that the government ''is not subsidizing obscenity, child pornography, attacks on religion, desecration of the American flag or any other of the outrages we have seen in the past.''

He described the rules in his amendment as ''common sense standards for NEA funding.''

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#90284u2277 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
BARCELONA, SPAIN (OCT. 11) UPI - Patrick Ewing recorded 34 points, 17 rebounds and 8 blocked shots Thursday, helping the New York Knicks rally from a six-point deficit in overtime to take a 119-115 victory over Italian League champion Scavolini Pesaro in the first round of the McDonald's Open.

Darwin Cook, a former NBA journeyman, led the Italian team with 35 points. The Knicks, playing their first exhibition game in preparation for the 1990-91 NBA season, advanced to Saturday's championship game of the tournament against European champion Pop 84 Split.

The Yugoslavian team took a 102-97 victory over Spanish League champion Barcelona in the second game of the double-header. Velimir Perasovic scored 24 points and Toni Kukoc, a second-round draft pick of the Chicago Bulls, added 23 to lead Pop 84 Split.

Barcelona, the host team, will face Scavolini Pesaro in Saturday's consolation game.

The tournament is being held in the new 17,500-seat Palau D'Esports Sant Jordi which will be used as a prime site for events at the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona. The basketball games were the first sporting events in the new facility.

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#90284u2298 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 11) UPI - President Bush says he's willing- in his words- ''to take the slings and arrows'' coming his way because of the budget confusion. The problems stem from the president's waffling on the question of higher taxes for rich Americans. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater took some of the blame himself... saying he made a mistake by side-stepping the issue yesterday while on the campaign trail.

NASA says the four-day flight of the shuttle Discovery produced NO significant wear-and-tear on the spacecraft. But the space agency says engineers are looking into why Discovery's critical computer system was improperly set up

before launch. The shuttle crew detected the glitch shortly after reaching orbit last Saturday... and corrected it before there was a more serious problem.

A former trader for ex-junk bond king Michael Milken says his boss NEVER asked him to manipulate the price of a company's stock. The testimony came today at a pre-sentencing hearing in New York. The government accuses Milken of stock manipulation in a ''fee-driven'' scheme. Milken pleaded guilty in April to a half-dozen felonies... including conspiracy and securities fraud.

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#90284u2308 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 11) UPI - Lebanese Christian military leader General Michel Aoun wants the United States to support a new dialogue to reconcile differences in his divided nation. Aoun says the dialogue would take into consideration U-S interests in the Middle East. The renegade general has rebuffed an Arab-brokered peace plan backed by Syria and supported by Washington.

A scientist at the University of Chicago has pieced together what he thinks is the oldest fossil of a ''modern'' bird. Paul Sereno says the sparrow-sized creature... unearthed three years ago in northeastern China... lived about 135-Million years ago. He says apart from the three clawed fingers along its wings, the bird probably looked and acted much like the songbirds of today.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) UPI - Former Washington Redskins defensive star Dexter Manley, banned from the National Football Leaue for violating the league's substance abuse policy last fall, said Thursday he has overcome his cocaine addiction and will play again in the NFL.

On ABC-TV's ''Primetime Live'' news program Thursday night, Manley said he has ''been clean and sober for 10 months'' since enrolling in the John Lucas Drug Rehabilitation Clinic in Houston.

Manley's third violation of the league's drug policy in November 1989 prompted his lifetime banishment from the NFL. He intends to exercise his right to apply for reinstatement after a year.

''As sure as I am a black man sitting here, I will be back,'' said Manley, the Redskins' all-time leader in quarterback sacks.

While in Houston - his wife and two children remained in the Washington area - Manley has been attending regular sessions with a psychiatrist and has been lifting weights and training for his possible return to football.

The 32-year-old Manley, who also overcame illiteracy and now can read at a high-school level, said he believes he finally has beaten his addiction ''because I don't want to live through the pain anymore.''

''I had enough problems. I've been through hell,'' he said. ''You know, I don't give a damn if I don't play football again. But I want to stay sober for me - for me.''

Despite his drug rehabilitation efforts and rigorous workouts, Washington Redskins Coach Joe Gibbs refused to indicate whether the team will take back one of the most popular Redskins of the 1980s.

''I am not going to speculate on what is going to happen in the future because I can't answer those questions now and it may never come up,'' Gibbs said during the broadcast.

Manley's attorney, Bob Woolf, told United Press International last week that if the Redskins do not want him, he would find it ''hard to believe'' no one in the NFL would sign his client.

Manley, who earned notoriety not only for his prowess on the field but his flamboyant personality and wild statements off the field, said he abused alcohol first and then cocaine.

Asked by ABC if he liked cocaine, Manley said: ''Of course I did.''

''I mean, here it was my best friend in the beginning and at the end it turned into an enemy.''

Manley said that at the height of his cocaine use, he was spending ''anywhere from $300 to $400'' a night on the drug, and his addiction made him ''a liar and a cheat.''

Manley said that despite making promises to himself to stop using cocaine, ''I would wind up doing it again.''

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#90284u2437 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 11) UPI - House Democrats unveiled an alternative budget plan that would increase the tax on the wealthiest Americans... much more than President Bush is willing to accept. It also retains most of the summit agreement's so-called ''sin'' and luxury taxes, and cuts the proposed gasoline tax hike from 12 cents to three cents. Earlier today, Bush offered to trade higher taxes on the rich for lower ones on capital gains. But he says pursuing such an option with Congress would be- quote- ''a waste of time.''

The Senate today passed an appropriations bill that would bring the United

States up to date in its United Nations dues. The 19-point-three-BILLION-dollar measure includes almost 800-Million dollars to pay for dues to the United Nations and other international organizations. The bill also provides funding for several government departments. The measure would pay off Washington's U-N debt during a period of five years.

The State Department says it will NO longer provide specific numbers of Americans remaining in Kuwait and Iraq... in order to avoid helping Baghdad round up U-S citizens. The announcement comes as the department expressed outrage about Iraq's treatment of the latest planeload of people evacuated from Iraq and Kuwait. The evacuees were interrogated for several hours and threatened by Iraqi soldiers.

All tropical storm warnings have been dropped in Florida, now that Marco has been downgraded to a tropical depression. But forecasters say Marco may yet spawn tornadoes as it trudges north toward the Florida Panhandle and south Georgia. Marco came ashore early today along Florida's central Gulf coast... bringing heavy rains and high winds that knocked out power, closed schools and courts, and damaged homes and buildings.

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#90284u2466 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 11) UPI - The Delaware probate case involving the estate of the eccentric industrialist Howard Hughes has received settlement approval from the state's Chancery Court. Hughes died in 1976 without a will... leaving an estate with gross assets of one-point-one-BILLION dollars. 60 heirs to the late BILLIONAIRE stand to split 42-Million dollars in cash in Delaware's largest probate case. Hughes did NOT live in Delaware but his holding company, Summa Corporation, was incorporated in the state.

A 37-year-old warehouse manager from Erie, Pennsylvania, who joked that he always wanted an eight-slice toaster can now buy thousands of them. Richard Hovis won Ohio's record 50-Million-dollar Super Lotto jackpot... the second largest lottery payoff to a single winner in the United States. Hovis, who is single, says he plans to help his parents... and will probably buy a house- or two.

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#90284u2648 10/11/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 11) UPI - President Bush offered today to trade higher taxes on wealthy Americans for lower ones on capital gains. The chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee did NOT rule out a capital gains tax cut, but he dismissed the president's proposal as ''just too rich.'' .

Congressman Leon Panetta... who chairs the House Budget Committee... predicts that Congress ''probably will'' fail to meet the October 19th deadline for

finishing the budget process. The California Democrat urged President Bush NOT to shut down the federal government for a second time.

Treasury Secretary Brady, in a letter released today, asks Congress for 40-BILLION dollars to keep the government's bailout of the savings- and-loan industry from shutting down within two months. .

The request comes as the White House and Congress battle over a plan to trim the federal budget deficit.

Senator Alan Cranston moved tonight to block part of the administration's proposed seven-point-three-BILLION-dollar arms sale to Saudi Arabia. The action by the California Democrat comes as somewhat of a surprise. .

Leading critics of the sale did NOT believe Congress would try to block the deal.

The tropical depression that once was Tropical Storm Marco is churning northward through Florida. Late today, the storm spawned a tornado that touched down in the Panhandle town of Lake City... causing minor injuries and property damage. .

Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Miami say tropical storm warnings for Bermuda probably will be discontinued later tonight... now that Hurricane Lili has passed well to the south. .

At last report, Lili was about 195 miles southwest of Bermuda and moving west at near 25 miles-an-hour. Its top winds were clocked at near 75 miles-an-hour.

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#90284u2661 10/11/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 11) UPI - In New York, a mistrial was declared today in the third Bensonhurst racial slaying trial. The judge dismissed one of the jurors deliberating the case... leading to the mistrial declaration... after the juror accused the victim's father of trying to stare her down.

Jury selection began today in state Supreme Court in Manhattan in the second rape-and-attempted-murder trial of youths charged in the highly publicized attack on a woman jogger in New York's Central Park in April 1989. .

The two youths being tried now are among six accused in the attack. The first trial ended in August with guilty verdicts for the first three youths to be tried in the case.

In Fort Lauderdale, Florida... jury selection in the obscenity trial of the Miami rap group 2 Live Crew was abruptly halted in its fourth day. The move came after the defense accused a prosecutor of illegally striking a black man

from the jury.

A psychiatrist testified in a Santa Ana, California, courtroom today that he DOESN'T think surrogate mother Anna Johnson bonded with the baby she was hired to bear for another couple. Johnson wants custody, even though the child is the genetic offspring of the couple... Mark and Crispina Calvert.

Some residents of southeastern Massachusetts were shaken up early today when a small earthquake hit the area. Officials at Boston College's Weston Observatory say the quake registered about three-point- one on a ''modified scale'' and was centered in Plymouth. NO injuries or damage were reported.

Missouri's Cape Girardeau School District has canceled classes December 3rd and 4th because of a prediction that a major earthquake could strike the New Madrid Fault then. The decision came after it was learned many parents planned to keep their children home those days.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - Voice of America radio quotes U-S officials as saying the latest airlift of 386 Westerners out of Iraq and Kuwait could possibly be the last evacuation flight for some time. The U-S-chartered Iraqi jetliner arrived in London this morning... with passengers telling of an ordeal in which they were questioned for hours by the Iraqis and detained without food or water. The flight was the first such evacuation in two weeks.

Both President Bush and White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater say they'll take the blame for the confusion about the president's stand on the budget issue. Bush says the problem was caused by switching back and forth on the issue of a tax hike for the wealthy in exchange for a cut in the capital gains tax. Fitzwater says he made a mistake by ''bobbing and weaving'' in response to questions about the president's position.

U-S lawmakers made strides today toward protecting dolphins and other marine life threatened by the use of large-scale drift nets. The Senate unanimously adopted legislation aimed at curbing worldwide use of the highly destructive nets. The bill bans drift nets of more than one-and- one-half miles in length from being cast in U-S waters. It also prohibits American fishing fleets from using the nets anywhere on the high seas.

The Justice Department plans to sue Exxon to recover government costs of responding to the nation's worst oil spill... and to obtain damages from the oil company. The government intentions were revealed in court papers filed in Alaska. Exxon already faces federal criminal charges stemming from the 11-Million-gallon spill in Prince William Sound. But it's the first time the government has acknowledged it will file a civil suit.

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(OCT. 11) UPI - The Texas gubernatorial race took a nasty turn today when Republican candidate Clayton Williams called his Democratic opponent Ann Richards a liar and refused to shake her hand. Williams was angered by an inquiry into questionable practices of his bank. He compared negative campaigning by Richards to the actions of the late Senator Joseph McCarthy, who led a persecution of suspected communists in the 1950's.

Researchers at the University of Minnesota say genetic makeup plays a major role in determining a person's psychological makeup. Scientists say a 12-year study of identical twins separated shortly after birth shows that genes influence everything from intelligence to religious interests. The study involved more than 50 sets of identical twins or triplets.

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BOSTON (OCT. 12) UPI - In a case of industrial espionage against the U.S. government, a unit of North American Philips Corp. pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court Thursday to receiving stolen documents to help it win an Air Force contract.

The company's Magnavox Government and Industrial Electronics Co. unit hired a private consultant ''in part to provide hard copy of certain confidential government documents'' from a procurement office at Hanscom Air Force Base in Bedford, the government charged.

The Magnavox subsidiary, based in Fort Wayne, Ind., eventually won and completed the $8 million first phase of the contract to produce Scope Shield hand-held, two-way radios for Air Force personnel worldwide, said S. Theodore Merritt, the assistant U.S. Attorney who prosecuted the case.

Judge John J. McNaught fined the company $150,000 on the criminal charge based on events between January 1985 and May 1986.

One document stolen from Hanscom's Electronic Systems Division, which administered the Scope Shield project, was a cost estimate of the program, Merritt said. Another was an Air Force evaluation of a potential competitor's prototype of the proposed Scope Shield radio system, Merritt said.

The consultant, Edward Zicenzi, of Wellesley, Mass., ''obtained these procurement-sensitive documents from a civilian government employee of ESD by providing him with tickets to sporting and theater events, liquor and lunches '' the U.S. Attorney's office said. ''These documetns were then disseminated and used by Magnavox employees for their use in preparing a bid proposal.''

Both Zicenzi and Donald Gesin, the former ESD employee, were convicted on similar charges in earlier cases and were cooperating witnesses in the Magnavox case, the U.S. Attorney's office said.

Both men served two-month prison terms on the earlier charges.

Merritt said the damage to the government in the Magnavox case is difficult to determine because no one bid against Magnavox ofr the contract, though one other company had been considered a likely bidder.

However, ''civil recoveries'' against North American Philips are possible, Merritt said.

Merritt declined to say whether individuals at Magnavox might be charged. They hired (Zicenzi) on his representation that he could provide certain documents. They renewed his contract. But beyond that, I ''contract. But b

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - UtiliCorp United (NYSE:UCU) announced that its PSI subsidiary has completed the acquisition of a natural gas gathering system and processing facilities in western Oklahoma for approximately $31 million.

Under terms of the previously announced transaction, PSI has acquired the Elk City Natural Gas Gathering and Processing facilities from Valero Hydrocarbons L.P., a Subsidiary Operating Partnership of Valero Natural Gas Partners, L.P. (NYSE:VLP).

The 85-mile Elk City system is located in three counties in the Anadarko Basin in western Oklahoma and gathers approximately 75 million cubic feet (MMCF) of gas per day. The processing facilities presently extract approximately 150,000 gallons per day of liquid hydrocarbons and provide 65 MMCF of gas per day for delivery on various interstate pipelines.

PSI is headquartered in Omaha, Neb., and is one of the nation's major marketers and suppliers of natural gas. Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides gas and electricity to about 820,000 utility customers in eight states and in British Columbia.

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PORTLAND ME (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of UNUM Corp. (NYSE:UNM) Friday declared a 20 cents per share cash dividend.

The dividend is payable on Nov. 16 to common stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 29.

UNUM Corp. is a specialty insurance holding company with $9.2 billion in assets. Headquartered in Portland, Maine, UNUM is the nation's leading provider of group long term disability insurance and a major provider of employee benefits and individual disability insurance. The company also markets retirement plans and long term care insurance.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Sharper Image (NASDAQ:SHRP), the San Francisco-based specialty catalog/retailer, is opening its first store in the Silicon Valley -- its 72nd nationally -- at the Valley Fair Mall in Santa Clara on Thursday, Oct. 18.

''The Santa Clara store is geared up for the holiday gift giving season,'' said Craig Womack, chief operating officer and executive vice president of retail at The Sharper Image. ''We are pleased to have a retail presence in one of the fastest growing areas in California.''

A couple of the more unusual items at the store will be a knight's suit of armor and a fully refurbished antique park clock.

Located in the Valley Fair mall at 2855 Stephens Creek Blvd., the new store will be open from 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday. Store manager, Bob Berini, can be reached at 408/241-9290.

The Sharper Image is a specialty retailer of a unique selection of innovative and high quality products that are marketed through its colorful monthly catalogs and expanding retail network which now totals 72 stores nationwide and 7 internationally.

The company offers a wide variety of products, including consumer electronics, communications, health and fitness, recreational and novelty items.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Plexus Resources Corp. (NASDAQ:PLUSF)(TOSE:PXS.) announced results for the fiscal year and fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990, as follows:

Plexus Resources Corp.
Financial Highlights

	Fourth Quarter ended June 30,		Fiscal Year ended June 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,382,000	$ 175,000	$2,830,000	$ 611,000
Net income (loss)	$ 168,000	$(812,000)	$ (567,000)	$(1,234,000)
Earnings (loss) per share	3 cents	(17 cents)	(10 cents)	(26 cents)

Revenues for the fourth quarter and fiscal year increased over the corresponding periods of 1989 as a result of (1) precious metals revenues ($456,000) from Plexus' participation in the Denton-Rawhide gold-silver mine which began commercial production in May 1990, and (2) the gain on sale of 300,000 shares of Plexus' 633,334 share holding of Crown Butte Resources Limited ($1,797,000).

Net income (loss) and earnings (loss) per share for the same periods showed improvement primarily due to the gain on the sale of Crown Butte shares with a partial offset from increased interest expense and amortization of debt issuance expense ($976,000).

Amortization of debt issuance expense for both the fourth quarter and 1990 fiscal year reflected a substantial write-off of debt issuance costs ($644,000) consistent with the repayment of a significant portion of the debt incurred to finance Plexus' participation in the Denton-Rawhide project.

The private placement of 6 million Plexus shares with TOTAL Energold Corp. for $14,007,000 cash plus all shares of Sovereign Explorations Inc. during June 1990 provided funding for the repayment of such debt and also resulted in a $1,218,000 increase in cash and cash equivalents to $2,253,000 as of June 30, 1990.

Plexus Resources Corp. is an expanding United States natural resources organization with precious metals and oil and gas production as well as extensive base metals interests. The company's shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (PXS.) and are traded in the United States through NASDAQ (PLUSF).

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Microwave (NASDAQ:DMIC) announced Friday that Dr. Douglas H. Morais has joined the company as senior vice president.

In this position Morais will be responsible for strategic planning and business development.

''We are pleased to have someone of Dr. Morais' experience and caliber join our company. His experience and knowledge will be of great assets to the overall operation of our company,'' commented William E. Gibson, president and chief executive officer of Digital Microwave Corp.

Morais brings over 24 years of technical and general management experience to his new position. Most recently, Morais served as the vice president and general manager of the Farinon division of Harris Corp.

Headquartered in San Jose, Calif., Digital Microwave Corp. is a leading supplier of high performance short-haul transmission products to domestic and international markets.

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FORT WAYNE, IN (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Lincoln National Income Fund Inc. (NYSE:LND) Friday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 57 cents per common share, payable Dec. 5 to shareholders of record on Nov. 16.

Lincoln National Income Fund is a closed-end fund managed by Lincoln National Investment Management Co., the primary investment advisor for Lincoln National Corp. (NYSE: LNC).

Lincoln National Corp., headquartered in Fort Wayne, is the nation's seventh largest insurance holding company with assets totaling over $26 billion and annual revenues exceeding $8 billion.

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SAN RAFAEL, CA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Vintage Group Inc. reports audited financial income statement for the fiscal years ended April 30, 1989 and 1990

	April 30, 1990	April 30, 1989
Statements of Operations:		
Investment income	$ 52,477	$ 320,080
Realized/Unrealized gain:		
Net realized gain on investments	250,006	169,842
Change in unrealized appreciation of investments	4,302,969	1,807,976
Net gain on investments	4,552,975	1,977,818
Extraordinary Item: Tax benefit of net operating loss carryforward	---	386,000
Net income	2,115,240	1,199,061
Net income per common and common equivalent share:		
Income before extraordinary item	36 cents	16 cents
Extraordinary item	---	8 cents
Net income	36 cents	24 cents
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares	5,955,279	5,112,372

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SACRAMENTO, CA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - California's Board of Education Friday unanimously approved an innovative new series of social studies textbooks and other instructional materials for use in the schools of the most populous state.

As a result of the vote of approval, state funds may now be used to purchase the Houghton Mifflin Social Studies Program which has won broad praise and support from some of the nation's top educators and scholars.

They cite the program's quality and balanced presentation of multiculturalism and religion as being far better than any other instructional materials currently available.

The program, published by Houghton Mifflin Co. of Boston, one of America's most highly respected publishers of instructional materials, received California approval because it meets the state's internationally acclaimed framework for teaching social studies.

The series also responds to a national movement for social studies reform. It has already been adopted in Arkansas, is being considered for adoption in

several other states and has been recommended for use in local school districts across the country.

''The Houghton Mifflin program has been published in response to a national call from educators to improve the quality of history and geography education '' said John Schram, Houghton Mifflin's executive vice president, school publishing.

''It is a history-centered curriculum with a full and integrated treatment of geography, economics and all the social sciences. This program represents multiculturalism and religion in the context of the pluralistic nature of our society and of history.''

Broad support for the program has been received from respected educators including Professor Margaret Washington, Department of History, Cornell University, ''As an historian, as the parent of a fifth-grade daughter and a ninth-grade son, as an African-American woman, I remain impressed with the quality of the textbooks and the team of educators whose combined expertise and sensitivity produced this multidimensional approach to American history and vision.''

Classroom teachers from across the country are also praising the kindergarten through eighth-grade series. Betty Jackson, a teacher from Richmond, Calif., says that it is ''an excellent social studies series because the treatment of people of different races and national origins are positive and their contributions to the development of the nation are highlighted throughout the text, thus making the study of social studies a stimulating experience for all children.''

In California, the new Houghton Mifflin Social Studies Program was recommended for adoption and use in the state's schools by a curriculum commission panel of the state's teachers and educators as being far superior to anything now in use and as the program which most closely meets the California History-Social Sciences Framework.

The Board of Education, after considering the Commission's recommendation and the publisher's acceptance of suggestions for change, approved the series.

''This new series was specifically designed to help teachers by encouraging students to go beyond the classroom and apply the lessons of social studies to the world through its presentation of the roles of men and women of all races, classes and conditions and through differing viewpoints on controversial issues,'' said Schram.

Dr. Diane Ravitch, noted Professor of History at Teachers College, Columbia University, and one of the authors of the California Framework, added her support to the series of textbooks, ''They contain a marked increase in attention to the history of Africa, Asia, Latin America and Europe and to the

experiences of blacks, women, American Indians and Latinos in the United States.

''In reviewing the newly approved social studies program, the editor of the prestigious Social Studies Review wrote, 'Houghton Mifflin sets the standard for a new generation of social studies textbooks.'''

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DENVER (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - USMX Inc., officially commenced gold production at its Casino Mine on Oct. 10, 1990, with the first pour of dore' containing approximately 850 ounces of gold.

The Casino Mine, a joint venture owned by USMX and Pegasus Gold Inc., respectively, is located some 80 miles northwest of Ely, Nev. The mine and plant were brought in on schedule and at budget.

Open pit mining at Casino and plant construction at the Winrock site began in May 1990. Plant construction was completed in late August, followed by the commencement of leaching in early September. The heap leach facilities were engineered and constructed at a cost of approximately $1.5 million, with production estimated to be 8,000 ounces of gold in 1990 and 21,000 ounces of gold in 1991.

USMX estimates that the current mineable reserve at Casino is 624,000 tons with an average grade of 0.059 of gold per ton.

The Winrock property, located approximately 4 miles from Casino, is also a part of the USMX and Pegasus joint venture and is currently in the feasibility stage. USMX expects completion of the study in November 1990. Winrock is projected to come on-line in late 1991 and add operating life.

USMX Inc. is involved in the exploration, development, and production of gold properties in the United States. The company's stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol USMX.

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DENVER (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Affiliated Bankshares of Colorado Inc. Friday reported that earnings for the third quarter and for the first nine months of 1990 were substantially improved over earnings for the same periods last year.

The company also reported a significant reduction in nonperforming assets.

Net income in the third quarter of 1990 increased 77 percent to $2,612,000, or 23 cents per share, compared to $1,477,000, or 12 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989. Net income in the first nine months of 1990 increased 72 percent to $7,229,000, or 63 cents per share, compared to $4,194,000, or 34 cents per share, in the same period
last year.

Kent Olin, president and chief executive officer, said the major factor in the improved earnings was higher net interest revenue, which increased 6.2 percent in the nine month comparison.

Nonperforming assets decreased by $40 million, or 30 percent, during the past year (see summary). The reserve for loan loss coverage as a percentage of nonaccrual loans increased to 185 percent as of Sept. 30, 1990.

Total assets increased 4.3 percent from Sept. 30, 1989, to $2.7 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990. Total loans increased 6.1 percent to $1.5 billion, and investment securities (primarily U.S. Government securities) increased 1 percent to $668 million.

Total deposits were $2.3 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990, representing an increase of 5 percent during the past 12 months. Stockholders' equity (book value) increased 5 percent during the past 12 months to $192.9 million ($17.84 per common share).

Affiliated Bankshares if a state-wide bank holding company with $2.7 billion in assets, 28 banks and four bank-related service companies serving the major markets of Colorado.

The company's shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System. The NASDAQ symbol is AFBK.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management administration and students have created a ''Hilton

PROUD'' (Professionals Reaching Out For Undergraduate Development) day, in which Hilton executives returned to the classroom as ''professors for a day.''

This first-time event promoted interaction and idea exchange between students and Hilton professionals, provided students with experienced industry role models and encouraged development of future faculty and executive exchange programs.

Visiting executives included: Carl T. Mottek, president of Hilton Hotels Division; Peter Kleiser, senior vice president of food and beverage; Michael A. Ribero, senior vice president of marketing; Jorgen H. Hansen, senior vice president of the Eastern Region; Hilmar A. Rosenast, senior vice president of the Western Region; and James M. Anderson, vice president of labor relations and personnel management.

''By providing an opportunity for key Hilton executives to address students in an informal classroom setting, the educational advantages of 'Hilton PROUD' benefited our students and staff immeasurably,'' said Joseph J. Cioch, dean of the school.

Course lectures ran concurrently on Oct. 12, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., highlighting subjects such as: Hilton Perspective of the Hotel Industry; Food Production Management; Trends in Hospitality Marketing; Lodging Management; Decision Support Systems; and Human Resources Management.

In recognition of the importance of education in shaping the future of hospitality, Conrad N. Hilton established the Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management at the University of Houston in 1969. The $28 million Hilton college complex offers students the opportunity to study lodging and food service management, sales and marketing and financial management in a commercial setting.

The campus houses an 80-room University Hilton, including 21 meeting, conference and seminar rooms and two full-service restaurants in which students can gain hands-on experience.

Hilton Hotels Corp., a publicly owned international lodging company, owns, manages and franchises more than 260 hotels and resorts in major cities, suburban areas, airports and resort and gaming destinations worldwide. Current developments include the newly opened 2,000-room Flamingo Hilton Laughlin in Nevada and Hilton Suites -- Phoenix Plaza, which opened on Sept. 6.

The company has also broken ground on the $80 million World Trade Center Hilton in Long Beach, Calif., scheduled to open in late 1992. Other cities slated for development include Minneapolis; Brooklyn, N.Y.; Detroit; Harrisburg, Pa.; and Valencia, Calif.

The company's growing overseas subsidiary, Conrad Hotels, currently operates

six properties, including the recently opened 513-room Hotel Conrad Hong Kong. Additional properties in Cancun, Mexico; Brussels, Belgium; and Istanbul, Turkey; will open by 1992.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Micro Devices Friday reported third-quarter revenues of $254,173,000 which resulted in a net loss of $17,776,000.

After the preferred stock dividend, the loss amounted to $0.25 per common share.

The results reflect a revenue decrease of 5 percent from the immediate-prior quarter when AMD reported revenues of $267,700,000, which resulted in a net loss of $5,921,000, or $0.10 per common share after the preferred dividend. The net results of the prior quarter included a one-time gain of $0.07 per common share from the sale of a long-term investment.

Sales declined by 7.5 percent from the third quarter of 1989 when AMD reported sales of $274,847,000 and a net income of $12,086,000, or $0.12 per common share after the preferred stock dividend.

For the first nine months of 1990 the company reported revenues of $793,345,000 with a net loss of $10,578,000, or $0.22 per common share after the preferred stock dividend. In the first nine months of 1989 AMD reported revenues of $819,351,000 and a net income of $34,230,000, or $0.32 per common share after the preferred stock dividend.

The company's operating loss for the quarter amounted to $19,810,000. ''The operating results in the traditionally slow summer quarter belie the progress AMD made toward positioning us for a return to profitability through leadership in submicron CMOS technology,'' said W.J. Sanders III, chairman and chief executive officer.

''The high investment levels necessary to prevail as a major player in the industry preclude earnings at current sales levels.

''CMOS sales grew by $15 million, or nearly 20 percent over the immediate-prior quarter, to a record $96 million. CMOS sales accounted for 38 percent of total revenues, also a new record. Most importantly, the CMOS growth was led by logic products and programmable logic devices (PLDs), where good market demand is expected to continue for leading-edge devices.

''AMD also made progress in migrating CMOS EPROMs (erasable programmable read-only memories) from 1.35-micron technology to 1-micron and submicron geometries. The first significant shipment of 2- megabit EPROMs helped offset aggressive pricing for lower-density EPROMs. Overall, EPROMs remain under severe pricing pressure,'' Sanders continued.

''Weakening demand, particularly in Southeast Asia, for older products such as the NMOS 286 and bipolar PLDs more than offset the sales gains in CMOS. We expect to grow CMOS sales by more than 20 percent in the current quarter.

''Uncertain market conditions make it difficult to predict the extent to which anticipated CMOS sales gains might be offset by further erosion in sales of bipolar and certain older NMOS products. Nevertheless, we do expect that the summer quarter represented a trough in sales. Bookings were flat with billings in the quarter.

''Heavy capital spending for the year 1990 -- projected to be almost $300 million led by a nearly $200 million investment in our newly occupied Submicron Development Center -- is winding down in the current quarter. We expect that capital spending in 1991 will be substantially less than depreciation, reversing the negative cash flow of 1990.

''Our balance sheet is strong, with more than $128 million in cash at quarter's end,'' Sanders concluded.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - William C. Mitchell, chairman of Lake Shore Bancorp. Inc. reported net income for the third quarter of 1990 of $2,936,000 or 36 cents per share, representing a 13.6 percent increase compared with $2,584,000 or 32 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989.

Year to date net income was $8,663,000 or $1.06 per share, representing a 4.3 percent increase compared with $8,306,000 or $1.02 for the same period of 1989.

Mitchell also reported that total assets of Lake Shore Bancorp. Inc. at Sept. 30, 1990, were $1,054,777,000 compared to $994,101,000 at Sept. 30, 1989. Deposit levels for the same period increased from $834,319,000 to $874,804,000.

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FORT WAYNE, IN (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Lincoln National Convertible Securities Fund Inc. (NYSE:LNV) Friday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 24 cents per common share.

The dividend is payable Dec. 5 to shareholders of record on Nov. 16.

The fund is managed by Lincoln National Investment Management Co., the primary investment advisor for Lincoln National Corp.

Lincoln National Corp. (NYSE:LNC), headquartered in Fort Wayne, is the nation's seventh largest insurance holding company with assets of over $26 million and annual revenues exceeding $8 billion.

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LA HABRA, CA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Landmark Bancorp (NASDAQ:LMBC) and its wholly owned subsidiary Landmark Bank, reported consolidated third-quarter earnings of $534,000, or 35 cents per share, and earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $1,542,000, or $1.02 per share.

The year-to-date earnings represent an 11 percent increase over the $1,383,000 reported for the same period in 1989. Revenue for the first nine months increased 15 percent from $13,299,000 in 1989 to $15,294,000 in 1990. Loans grew 10 percent, from $117,046,000 at Sept. 30, 1989 to $129,217,000 at Sept. 30, 1990.

Deposits rose 8 percent during the same period to $167,775,000. These increases brought the asset base to $183,623,000, or 7 percent over the $171,749,000 reported in 1989. Landmark Bancorp has increased its shareholder equity to $15,196,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, which exceeds 8 percent of total assets. Net book value per share is $10.07.

Craig Collette, president and chief executive officer of Landmark Bancorp and Landmark Bank, stated: ''The results of the first nine months are favorable. Landmark has positioned itself to meet the new decade's economic challenges and opportunities in light of a softening economy.

''We will continue to be prudent in our lending policies, conservative in our expenditures and poised and ready for future challenges. The Bank's level of capital (including reserves) to assets exceeds 9 percent, well above regulatory requirements.

''It is our goal to increase profits in a secure manner, to continue to

emphasize the importance of strong commercial relationships and to enhance our product lines for both business and consumer markets.''

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FREMONT, CA AND BEAVERTON, OR (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Credence Systems Corp., a leading supplier of automated test systems for digital and mixed-signal semiconductors, will acquire Tektronix Inc. Semiconductor Test Systems Division, the companies announced Friday.

The two organizations have reached a general agreement through a letter of intent signed earlier this week. The purchase price and specific details and terms will remain confidential.

Acquisition of the STS division, which Tektronix has sought to divest, provides Credence Systems with a family of high-performance test systems designed for application-specific integrated circuits (ASTCs), programmable logic devices (PLDs), and other advanced semiconductor devices.

The division employs more than 200 individuals in engineering, marketing, sales and administration, and has seen a tripling of its Vista Series product orders in the last year. Systems are installed at many leading merchant and captive semiconductor companies.

Credence chairman and chief executive David Mees said the acquisition will provide Credence with proven, high-performance test systems that complement the company's current line of digital and mixed-signal testers. The STS division will remain in Oregon; no changes in organizational structure are foreseen at this time.

Credence in fiscal 1990 grew at an annual rate of almost 40 percent, and has been profitable in 15 of the last 16 fiscal quarters. Credence Systems was formed in October 1989 as a result of the merger between ASIX Systems Corp. and Semiconductor Test Solutions Inc.

Tektronix Inc. is a leading manufacturer of electronic products and systems in the areas of test and measurement, computer graphics and communications. Sales in fiscal 1990 totaled $1.4 billion.

Credence Systems Corp. is a leading supplier of digital VLSI and mixed-signal test systems used by test engineers in all phases of IC production test including device characterization and debug, production test and incoming

inspection.

Credence markets its products through direct sales and distributors in North America, Europe and the Far East.

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SIGNAL HILL, CA. (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Home Interstate Bancorp and its wholly owned subsidiary, Home Bank, are pleased to announce that the third quarter of 1990 was the second most profitable quarter in the 40-year history of the bank.

The consolidated third quarter net income of $1,496,745 is 32.9 percent ahead of the comparable quarter in 1989. Consolidated earnings to date, as of Sept. 30, 1990, stand at $4,059,520, which is 28.6 percent ahead of the first nine months of 1989.

As previously announced, a quarterly cash dividend of 15 cents per share will be payable to shareholders of record as of Oct. 25, 1990, payable on Nov. 5, 1990.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Salick Health Care Inc. (NASDAQ:SHCI) Friday announced that it had adopted a plan to repurchase, at its discretion, up to $5 million of its common stock and/or its 7.25 percent convertible subordinated debentures due Feb. 1, 2001, at prices that the company deems to be appropriate.

The repurchase plan, if initiated, would be made through open market or privately negotiated transactions.

Bernard Salick, M.D., the chairman and chief executive officer of Salick Health Care, commented: ''We believe that the market has grossly undervalued our company. We have adopted this plan because of our confidence in our short- and long-term growth.''

Salick Health Care is a leading provider of outpatient, disease-specific

health care services. The company operates comprehensive cancer diagnostic and treatment centers nationally. It also operates artificial kidney (dialysis) centers, provides inpatient dialysis services under contract to hospitals and distributes medical supplies.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Just moments ago Dennis Paboojian, former president of billion dollar Rolm Inc., agreed to a $31 million settlement against six defendants, stemming from a 1987 airplane crash that left him partially paralyzed and burned over 65 percent of his body.

Twenty million dollars of the settlement was agreed Friday during a jury trial in Santa Clara County Court against Teledyne Continental Motors.

The settlement agreement will be recorded in Judge Stone's courtroom, Dept. 8, Friday at 3:30 p.m. in San Jose. This is believed to be one of the largest personal injury settlements ever recorded in Santa Clara County.

Background:

Dennis Paboojian, former president of billion dollar Rolm Inc., sought a $50 million award against Teledyne Continental Motors, in a jury trial that started Oct. 10, stemming from a 1987 airplane crash that left him partially paralyzed and burned over 65 percent of his body.

Paul Eberle, director of engineering for Teledyne Continental, has conceded the aircraft engine fire resulted from a faulty thinwall cylinder and piston design. More than 150 similar cracking incidents were reported prior to the Paboojian crash. Records indicate Teledyne was aware of the problem and had organized a committee to investigate the engine design, but the committee failed to recognize the cause of the engine failure.

Soon after the Paboojian incident, Piper's entire Malibu fleet was grounded and the cylinder design was changed.

Paboojian's attorney, aviation specialist Terry O'Reilly of Menlo Park, filed suit against six defendants: Piper Aircraft, Teledyne Continental Motors, Million Air, S&G Flight Services Inc., Allied Signal and The Garrett Corp. in April of 1988. O'Reilly accepted a $5 million settlement last year from S&G Flight Services, the maximum limit allowed on their insurance policy.

Paboojian was injured while receiving flying instructions from John Spiesman, an instructor at S&G Flight Services Inc., of San Jose, on Nov. 29, 1987.

Their Piper Malibu failed south of the Long Beach International Airport and crashed on the San Diego freeway killing Spiesman and seriously injuring Paboojian. The aircraft did not cause any serious ground injuries despite the fact the freeway was packed with rush-hour traffic.

Paboojian received third-degree burns over virtually all of his body. He lost his left forearm, the fingers of his right hand and suffered spinal cord damage resulting in paraparesis. He also miraculously recovered from a separated diaphragm. Presently his doctors estimate at least another year of care and extensive plastic surgery are required. Medical bills to date exceed $7 million.

An economist for the plaintiff estimated Paboojian's lost earnings exceed $30 million.

The case went to trial Wednesday, Oct. 10, 1990, in Santa Clara County before Judge David W. Leahy, Dept. 6.

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KENT, WA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Sportswear Inc. (NASDAQ: SSPW) Friday announced that the company expects net sales for the first nine months of 1990 to be approximately $61 million, or 5 percent above the $58.4 million for the comparable 1989 period.

The company said it anticipates net sales of approximately $14 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, 15 percent below net sales of $16.9 million for the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the third quarter and the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, is expected to be below that of the comparable 1989 periods due to lower second and third quarter sales levels. The company said it expects to be approximately break-even for the third quarter.

Sun attributed lower third-quarter sales levels to slower consumer spending and retail inventory reductions, resulting in order cancellations and delivery postponements by major customers. The company said it was cautiously optimistic about the outlook for 1991.

Sun Sportswear's proprietary designs remain popular. The company also is experiencing continued strong acceptance of its new girls and junior apparel lines launched in fall 1989 and expects growth in its licensed business as it introduces new licensed products.

Sun Sportswear is one of the nation's largest screen-printers of casual sportswear for mass merchandisers. Its largest customers are Wal-mart, Target and K mart, who continue to be among the nation's leaders in retail sales.

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EUGENE, OR (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - A 21 percent gain in net income has been achieved by Centennial Bancorp for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This earnings improvement also represents a 26 percent gain in net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Centennial Bancorp (formerly Valley West Bancorp), is the parent company for the Eugene-based Centennial Bank and Centennial Mortgage Co.

Net income for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,057,898 or approximately 56 cents per share, as compared to $875,153, or 47 cents per share, for the comparable period of last year. The improvement is due to the continued high level of loan activity and continued favorable interest rate margins.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $111,265,955, as compared to $98,120,961 at Sept. 30, 1989. This represents a 13 percent increase in size for the Eugene-based bank holding company. More importantly, equity capital increased 19 percent to $9,134,928 at Sept. 30, 1990. Equity capital represents shareholders' investment in the company and is a measure of its strength and stability.

Centennial Bancorp

	Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9-30-90	9-30-89	9-30-90	9-30-89
Interest income	$2,816,111	$2,510,226	$8,065,144	$7,147,489
Net income	346,163	274,773	1,057,898	875,153
Per share	18 cents	15 cents	56 cents	47 cents

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Intel's third quarter revenue exceeded the $1 billion level for the first time, the company said Friday.

Net income also set a new record. Revenue for the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, reached $1.0 billion, up 31 percent from $771 million for last year's third quarter.

Net income was $172 million, a 139 percent increase from $72 million a year ago. Earnings per share increased to 83 cents from 38 cents for the similar 1989 quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, revenue was up 29 percent to $2.9 billion from $2.2 billion for the corresponding period last year.

Net income grew to $486 million, an 81 percent increase from $268 million a year ago. Earnings per share climbed to $2.40 from $1.43 for the first three quarters of 1989.

''Demand for our products continued to be solid this quarter,'' said Dr. Gordon E. Moore, chairman. ''We are making progress toward meeting the market's total needs for our 386 and i486 microprocessors, and expect to be back to a more balanced supply-demand situation by the end of the year.

''It is nice to have our first billion dollar quarter under our belts. Intel's employees are doing a great job of delivering innovative, high volume products to the market. They deserve a lot of credit,'' Moore said.

Intel is an international manufacturer of microcomputer components, modules and systems.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - California Energy Company Inc. (ASE/PSE:CE) Friday announced record third quarter revenue and earnings, surpassing by more than 85 percent the earnings for all of fiscal year 1989.

Revenue for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased to $32,488,000 as compared with $18,034,000 in the year ago quarter. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 grew to $8,888,000, or 35 cents per share (25,709,000 shares outstanding), versus $5,325,000, or 20 cents per share (26,005,000 shares outstanding), in 1989.

Electricity output from the Coso Project during the third quarter of 1990

totaled 485.6 million kilowatt hours, compared with 276 million kilowatt hours in the third quarter of 1989. Total year to date electricity output was 1.27 billion kilowatt hours versus 662.4 million kilowatt hours for the first three quarters of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, company revenues were $72,270,000 versus $37,024,000 in the like period of 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $14,673,000, or 56 cents per share, compared with $9,534,000, or 37 cents per share, reported in the like period of 1989.

The company's Coso geothermal facility operated at 91.5 percent of capacity for the third quarter, compared with 83.5 percent for the first half of 1990.

''Both our financial performance and the significant increase in electricity produced at Coso demonstrate our accomplishments to date and potential for the future,'' said Charles T. Condy, chairman and chief executive officer.

''As a major producer of an environmentally clean and price competitive domestic renewable resource, we are highly optimistic about new opportunities as our elected officials and policy makers focus increasingly on such issues as global warming, air quality and U.S. energy independence.''

California Energy Company is the leading independent developer of geothermal resources in the United States. As operator and owner of the 240 megawatt Coso Geothermal Project, the company is also a major wholesaler of electricity. In addition, California Energy controls more than 470,000 acres of geothermal prospect lands in Northern California, Oregon, Washington, Utah and Nevada.

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SANTA ROSA, CA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Optical Coating Laboratory Inc. Friday announced that it acquired 10,000 shares of its common stock at an average price per share of $4.75 on Wednesday (Oct. 10).

The purchases were made pursuant to a previously announced board authorization to acquire up to an aggregate of 350,000 shares of OCLI's outstanding common stock. As previously announced, the timing of purchases and the number of shares to be bought under the program will depend upon market conditions.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Beeba's Creations Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:BEBA) Friday announced operating results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Aug. 31.

For the fourth quarter of the current year, the company reported net income of $485,000, or 11 cents per share, on net sales of $43.3 million, as compared with net income of $1.1 million, or 22 cents per share, on net sales of $35.4 million in the like period last year.

For the year ended Aug. 31, 1990, net sales increased 22.9 percent to $158 million, up from the $128.6 million reported for fiscal 1989. The company reported a net loss of $3.4 million, or 76 cents per share, for the current year, as compared with net income of $4.1 million, or 89 cents per share, in fiscal 1989.

The company's $4 million non-recurring manufacturing write-off recorded in its third fiscal quarter ($2.4 million on an after-tax basis) accounted for 54 cents per share of this loss. The remainder of the company's loss for fiscal 1990 was due to divisions and product lines that the company has recently discontinued.

The company also announced it had suspended its dividend payments until further notice.

Steven P. Wyandt, chief executive officer and president, commented: ''Fiscal 1990 started out to be very promising, with the company generally meeting its objectives through the second quarter and into the third quarter.

''However, the combination of prolonged unseasonably cold weather through May, the Chapter 11 filings by Campeau and Ames, the weakened economy in many parts of the country and excessive inventory generally available in the marketplace forced us to liquidate a significant portion of spring and summer inventory at prices lower than originally planned.

Beeba's Creations Inc. is an importer and wholesale distributor of women's garments, manufactured to its specifications in foreign countries.

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EAST HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - TRC Companies Inc. (AMEX:TRR) management announced Friday that net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $694,483, or 13 cents per share versus $759,207, or 14 cents per

share in the prior year.

Gross revenue was $12.9 million, an increase of 29.9 percent from the prior year's quarter.

On Oct. 1, 1990, the company reported that it completed the previously announced sale of certain operating assets of its metaTRACE Inc. laboratory subsidiary. For the September 1990 quarter, metaTRACE's net revenue and net income was approximately $477,000 and $0, respectively, as compared to $1,521,000 and $156,000 in the prior year.

Net service revenue was $8.7 million, an increase of 5.0 percent from the prior year's quarter. Without the inclusion of metaTRACE's net service revenue in both quarters, net service revenue growth was 21.5 percent.

Summarized operating results for the three month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 are as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
	(Unaudited)	
Gross revenue	12,921,534	$9,950,342
Net service revenue	8,743,771	8,324,880
Income from operations	865,668	1,102,870
Income before taxes	868,104	1,168,011
Net income	$ 694,483	$ 759,207
Earnings per share	$ .13	$ .14
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	5,383,262	5,621,508

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PORTLAND, ORE. (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Peripheral Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:PSIX) announced that its subsidiary company, Nucell Inc., held a shareholders meeting in Portland on Oct. 9, 1990, for the purpose of removing the existing board of directors and installing a new board.

The following persons were elected to the board: Paul M. Brown, F. John Bode, Ralph E. Carp, Lowell Dicke, James E. Fanning, Floyd Hambleton and Clifford Sawyer.

The new board of Nucell conducted a meeting and accepted the resignation of Paul M. Brown as president and elected Clifford Sawyer as the new president.

For the past 15 years Sawyer has acted as an independent management consultant and has completed assignments for various businesses and departments of government. He was formerly a vice president of Brascan Ltd. of Toronto, prior to which he served as a senior executive of the Ford Motor Co. in the United States, Europe, South America and Canada.

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BIRMINGHAM, ALA. (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Alan V. Kaufman, president of Sandwich Chef Inc. (NASDAQ:SHEF), Friday reported increased revenues and net income for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter advanced 11.3 percent to $9.9 million compared with $8.9 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income increased 9.4 percent to $180,000, or 12 cents per share, compared with $165,000, or 11 cents per share, in the same quarter last year.

Earnings per share have been restated to reflect the three-for-two stock split effected in the form of a 50 percent stock dividend distributed to shareholders in September 1990.

''Our improved sales and income continue to reflect the contribution of our newer stores,'' stated Kaufman. ''In particular, our new Wall Street Delis have been very successful in generating higher sales volumes.

''Same store sales increased by 1.4 percent in the first quarter. Although this was our 11th consecutive quarterly improvement in same store sales, we began to experience a slowing in sales late in the first quarter. We believe this was the result of the generally lack- luster economy and the effects of higher gasoline prices in the market,'' continued Kaufman.

In the first quarter, Sandwich Chef closed or sold four units and opened six new Wall Street Delis. The company has plans to open an additonal five stores in the second quarter. ''We are being more cautious with new projects and plan to closely monitor future expenditures and cash flow,'' concluded Kaufman.

Sandwich Chef owns and operates a chain of 136 delicatessen-style sandwich shops in nine markets. The company's stock is traded in the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ Symbol SHEF.

SANDWICH CHEF, INC.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	9/29/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$ 9,925,000	$ 8,916,000
Net income	$ 180,212	$ 164,673
Earnings per share	$ .12	$ .11
Average shares outstanding	1,530,940	1,524,741

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PARAMUS, NJ (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Jennifer Convertibles Inc. (NASDAQ:JENN) and an investment group entered into a series of agreements pursuant to which the group agreed to invest $900,000 in a newly-formed corporation to be used to establish and operate six Jennifer Convertibles stores in Florida.

The first of these stores are expected to open by February 1991. The six stores will be operated under a license agreement pursuant to which Jennifer will receive 5 percent of the stores' sales. The stores will be managed by a subsidiary of Jennifer pursuant to a management agreement under which Jennifer will receive 1 percent of the net profits from the six stores.

The investment group has the right, at various times until Oct. 9, 2000, and subject to certain conditions, to sell to Jennifer all the stock of the corporation owning the six stores in exchange for up to 180,000 shares of Jennifer Convertibles Common Stock.

Harley J. Greenfield, president of Jennifer, stated, ''The agreements will permit Jennifer to enter into a new market thus expanding the recognition of the Jennifer name. This signals the entry of Jennifer into licensing. We expect to license at least two other stores later in the year.''

Jennifer Convertibles ownes 39 Jennifer Convertibles retail stores in New York New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine, Virginia and Washington.

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COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Archive Corp. (NASDAQ:ACHV), a leading supplier of computer backup products, Friday said that it has amended its third quarter consolidated unaudited financial statements.

The amendment results in increased earnings for the 13 weeks ended June 29, 1990 of $2,205,000 from the $962,000 previously reported, or 16 cents per share instead of 7 cents per share reported prior to the amendment.

Earnings for the 39 weeks ended June 29, 1990 were increased to $9,713,000 from the $8,470,000 prevously reported, or 71 cents per share instead of 62 cents reported prior to the amendment.

The amended financial statements result from adjustments relating to the accounting for the purchase of Cipher Data Products Inc., acquired by Archive in April 1990.

At the time of the acquisition, Archive had identified assets of Cipher that it intends to sell; these assets were not segregated at the time of the preliminary price allocation as shown on the balance sheet for June 29, 1990.

The income statements for the periods ended on June 29, 1990 also reflected the loss from operations associated with these assets. The revised financial statements now segregate the assets identified for sale with the estimated loss from operations reflected in the net realizable value of the assets rather than in the income statements.

The income statements also have been revised to reflect changes in foreign currency translation. Prior to its acquisition by Archive, Cipher used the local foreign currency as the controlling or functional currency and carried any resulting unrealized gain or loss on foreign translation as a separate component of stockholders' equity.

As a result of operating changes made by Archive to the foreign operations of Cipher, the functional currency for these entities is now the U.S. dollar, which is the functional currency used by Archive in its other foreign operations. The impact between these two methods is now shown on the revised financial statements.

Founded in 1980, Archive Corp. today is the leading manufacturer and supplier of removable data storage products to original equipment manufacturers and resellers.

Archive and its companies offer a complete selection of drives and subsystems for economical computer data storage for minicomputers, workstations, multi-user systems, and personal computers.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Just up the hill from where its first biotechnology laboratory was created in a corner of a warehouse, Genentech Inc. will build a new $75 million Genentech Research Center on an eight-acre site.

The three-building center, which will rank among the largest commercial or academic biotechnology research centers, will house Genentech's research staff and is scheduled to be completed in mid-1992.

It is the largest single construction project ever undertaken by Genentech and the first major project announced since Roche Holding Ltd. completed its 60 percent equity investment in Genentech on Sept. 7. Following Roche's investment, Genentech has more than $600 million in cash.

The new research buildings are designed to blend with the Genentech campus, which consists of eleven existing buildings spread over approximately 72 acres on the edge of San Francisco Bay. Except for its sales force, all of Genentech's U.S. operations and employees are located in South San Francisco. The most recent major additions to its campus were commercial manufacturing and quality control laboratories, built from 1987 to 1989.

The new buildings, each of which will have three floors of research laboratories, will be interconnected with elevated walkways and share a common outdoor courtyard, the focal point of the center. The new buildings will total 225,000 square feet and can accommodate 420 persons when complete.

Two floors of the three-building center will remain unfinished for future expansion. Additional expansion also is possible on the 24 acres Genentech owns at the site, of which only eight acres will be used for this project.

The design for the new facility integrates building and parking functions with the rugged bay-front topography. The buildings will blend with the natural slope of the land and are directed toward San Francisco Bay. Landscaping will be designed to enhance the natural site conditions and enable the buildings to fit into the natural setting.

Approximately 50 percent of the eight-acre site is devoted to landscaped areas 25 percent for parking and 25 percent for buildings.

Genentech Inc. is a leading biotechnology company focusing on the development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceuticals produced by recombinant DNA technology.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Ventura Entertainment Group Ltd., (NASDAQ:VEGG) the publicly held, Los Angeles-based production company, unveils three new television series at MIPCOM 1990.

Ventura's new productions are: ''Spirit of Rock And Roll,'' six one-hour live performance music specials; ''Golden Age Of Rock 'N' Roll,'' 10 one-hour compilation episodes featuring great performances in the history of rock and roll music and ''Literary License,'' an original hour-long dramatic series.

''Spirit of Rock And Roll,'' six one-hour specials hosted by Bruce ''Cousin Brucie'' Morrow, features the best of 1960s music as rock legends perform their greatest hits.

The specials combine historical footage, interviews and recently produced live performances before a studio audience by the following artists: Brian Wilson Jerry Lee Lewis, Neil Sedaka, Dion, Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons, Peter Noone, Paul Revere and The Raiders, Felix Cavaliere and The Rascals, Martha Reeves and The Vandellas, Shirley Alston and the Shirelles, The Coasters, Gary Puckett, and The Nylons.

Ventura is currently discussing a major worldwide distribution deal for the specials.

''Golden Age of Rock 'N' Roll,'' hosted by former ''Lovin' Spoonful'' lead vocalist John Sebastian, presents highlights of rock and roll history with 10 one-hour episodes: ''From Doo-Wop to The Doobies: The Male Vocal''; ''Sweet Soul Music''; ''The Legendary Ladies''; ''Guitar Heroes''; ''Folk Rock''; ''The British Invasion''; ''Hard Rock''; ''Great Peformances''; ''The Rockabilly Beat,'' and ''Partners In Song: Rock's Greatest Duos.''

The series features complete performances by rock's greatest artists from the '50s, '60s and '70s, along with rare moments with rockers such as Little Richard, Carl Perkins, Jerry Lee Lewis, Simon & Garfunkel, Steppenwolf, Jimi Hendrix, Led Zeppelin, The James Gang, Creedence Clearwater Revival, The Doobie Brothers, Loggins and Messina and many others.

James Phillips Distribution Co. will act as international distributor. The series will debut in the United States on the Arts & Entertainment Network in January 1991.

Ventura Entertainment Group is a fully integrated entertainment production company, which, directly and through its subsidiaries, produces television commercials, develops and produces network, cable and syndicated television

series, mini-series, MOW's, theatrical motion pictures, music/variety specials and live events for the domestic and international marketplace.

The company also produces and publishes music and owns the Ventura Media Center in Orem, Utah, one of the largest production facilities outside of Los Angeles.

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BEDMINSTER, NJ (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - NUI Corp. (NYSE:NUI) Pennsylvania Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ:PENT), Pennsylvania Gas & Water Co., the Pennsylvania Office of Consumer Advocate and OI-NEG TV Products Inc., have signed a settlement agreement that withdraws a protest filed against a joint application of NUI, PEI and PG&W with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) seeking approval to merge PG&W and PEI into NUI and to transfer PG&W's rights to provide gas service in Pennsylvania to NUI.

In addition to the withdrawal of the protest filed by the Office of Consumer Advocate against the joint application, the settlement establishes conditions upon any certificates of public convenience issued to NUI with respect to providing gas service in Pennsylvania.

The parties have forwarded the settlement to Administrative Law Judge Richard M. Lovenwirth, who is presiding over the case, with a request that he approve it and recommend its approval to the PUC.

NUI President John Kean said the execution of the settlement agreement is a significant step toward the completion of the proposed merger. ''The fact that all the parties in this case were able to sit down, resolve the issues before then and come up with an agreement like this is a very positive development,'' he said.

''All the parties agree that this settlement is in the best interests of the public, and are recommending its approval by Judge Lovenwirth and the PUC on that basis.''

The merger agreement between NUI and PEI provides for stockholders of PEI to receive from NUI $52.05 for each share of PEI common stock.

UWR will purchase the water operations and related assets of PEI for approximately $220 million, subject to adjustment for several factors, including among others, the level of expenditures associated with the construction program currently under way by PEI.

The consummation of this purchase is conditioned upon receipt of regulatory approvals, satisfaction or waiver of the conditions to the Merger Agreement, PEI, PG&W, NUI and UWR stockholder approvals and certain other conditions.

NUI Corp., headquartered in Bedminster, is an exempt public utility holding company engaged in the distribution of natural gas to approximately 300,000 customers in New Jersey and Florida.

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ASHEVILLE, NC (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Ingles Markets Inc. (NASDAQ:IMKTA) Friday announced that the interest rate on its 9 percent Convertible Subordinated Reset Debentures due Oct. 15, 2008, in the aggregate principal amount of $52,235,000 will be reset and fixed at 10 percent, effective Oct. 15 1990, for the remaining 18-year term of the Debentures.

The change in the interest rate is being made in accordance with the terms of the Indenture under which the Debentures were issued in October 1988.

Robert P. Ingle, chairman of the board of the company, commented, ''The company feels that the new fixed interest rate is very favorable for the company for 18-year financing, particularly in light of the current instability in the stock and bond markets.''

Headquartered in Asheville, Ingles Markets Inc. is a leading supermarket chain operating 167 supermarkets in five southeastern states. In conjunction with its supermarket operations, the company also operates 65 neighborhood shopping centers, each of which contains an Ingles supermarket.

The company recently announced that its net sales for the fiscal year ended Sept. 29, 1990, surpassed $1 billion for the first time in the company's history.

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Robert P. Ingle, 704/669-2941

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NEW YORK (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Friday announced a six-cent decrease in the domestic spot selling price of electrolytic copper.

Its new price, which is effective immediately, is $1.30 per pound for cathodes

on a delivered basis.

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BURBANK, CA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - MATTHEWS STUDIO EQUIPMENT GROUP (NASDAQ Symbol: MATT) Friday announced it is the total supplier of all the equipment being utilized in the production of the motion picture, ''Terminator II'', starring Arnold Schwarzenegger. MATTHEWS stated that this development is a full endorsement of its ''One Stop Shop'' concept for supplying all of the equipment necessary for the production of motion pictures and television programming, as well as commercials.

Numerous other motion picture, television and television commercial productions are also utilizing MATTHEWS proprietary products, comprehensive services and the company's multiple facilities in both Los Angeles and Charlotte, N.C.

Commenting on use of the company's equipment and services for these productions, Carlos DeMattos, co-chairman of the board and chief executive officer of MATTHEWS, and Edward Phillips, co-chairman of the board and chief operating officer, jointly stated, ''We believe that our theory of 'One Stop Shop' is no longer theoretical, but a factual reality as evidenced by the quality of the productions with which we are currently involved.''

MATTHEWS STUDIO EQUIPMENT GROUP is one of the fastest growing companies in its industry. The company designs, manufactures, rents, leases and sells a broad range of equipment used in the production of films, television shows and commercials, professional photography and theatrical productions. One of the company's major and most innovative products is its electronic Cam-Remote System -- winner of an award for technical achievement from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences and an Emmy for technical achievement from the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences -- which is dramatically changing the entertainment industry.

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MIAMI (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Noven Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ:NOVN),

announced Friday that the board of directors has approved a resolution to extend the company's Class A and Class B stock purchase warrants.

The Class A warrants have been extended from Oct. 15, 1990 to Jan. 15, 1991. Additionally, the Class B warrants have been extended from Dec. 15, 1990 to Feb. 14, 1991. These extensions afford current warrant holders an additional period to exercise their warrants.

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LONDON (OCT. 12) BUSINE WIRE - LASMO plc, the international oil and gas exploration and production company, announced today that, in conjunction with a Korean consortium led by the State-owned Korean Petroleum Development Corporation (PEDCO), it has entered into an agreement with the National Oil Corporation of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to explore three blocks in Libya. The Korean consortium includes PEDCO, Daewoo, Hyundai, Majuko and Daesung.

Two of the blocks are located offshore in the prolific Sirte Basin and a third is located in the underexplored onshore Murzuk Basin between significant oil discoveries.

LASMO will act as operator of the venture and will hold a 50 percent working interest. Chris Greentree, chief executive of LASMO, said Friday, ''This is an important extension of LASMO's exploration activities in North Africa. These three substantial areas, covering almost 24,000 sq kms (nearly 6 million acres) offshore and more than 11,000 sq kms (2.7 million acres) onshore, offer a range of promising exploration plays in basins of proven significant petroleum potential. We expect to commence seismic activity early in 1991.

''This is our first partnership with PEDCO and is consistent with our policy of seeking high-quality exploration prospects, further strengthening our worldwide portfolio and maintaining our position as the leading British independent explorer overseas.''

LASMO plc, the independent oil and gas exploration and production company with 1989 revenues of L263 million ($425 million at year-end exchange rates) has operations in 17 countries. LASMO shares trade on London's International Stock Exchange and in the US in ADR form (symbol 3LSMOY on the electronic OTC Bulletin Board). Shares are quoted on the SEAQ International System and prices may be accessed on the Reuters Equities 2000 service under the symbol LSMR.L, and on Quotron under the symbol LSMRU.EU.

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ROSELAND, NJ (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Automatic Data Processing, Inc. authorized the purchase of an additional five million shares of its common stock, Josh S. Weston, chairman and chief executive officer, announced Friday.

The company has substantially completed the repurchase of the most recent five million share authorization made in January 1990. ADP currently has 69,618,315 common shares outstanding.

ADP, with $1.7 billion in revenues and more than 200,000 clients, is the largest independent computing services firm in the United States.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM is helping to bring college classrooms into the electronic information age with its announcement Friday of the Academic LANkit(a) which allows faculty who are not computer experts to manage, customize and administer computer-based lessons for students to complete on computers that are connected in the classroom.

The Academic LANkit is a local area network (LAN) offering with software already loaded on computers, so it can be installed easily by higher education faculty and administrators, rather than computer network experts. A LAN is a group of computers that are linked together electronically so that users can easily share data and programs.

LANkit is also easy to operate because it's based on a graphical user interface. Faculty and administrators can, for example, change computer-based curriculum and distribute to students, or update student records, or add and delete other software applications, all by using a mouse to click on icons, rather than by keying in complicated commands.

The Academic LANkit comprises an IBM Personal System /2(a) Model 80 that acts as the LAN server, the central hub of the network; 15 PS/2(a) Model 55SX student workstations, plus software. It is available in two different network systems -- Token Ring or Ethernet, so it works with networks used on most campuses. LANkit is compatible with IBM's Advanced Academic System, an integrated package of hardware and software introduced last June that allows faculty to easily create their own computer-based curriculum and classroom exercises. With LANkit, those custom applications can now be easily

personalized and distributed among students. The Academic LANkit is also compatible with IBM's Selected Academic Solutions for students -- seven packaged and pre-loaded hardware and software offerings specially designed with student computing needs in mind.

The LANkit server uses Operating System/2(a) Extended Edition, so faculty can run several programs simultaneously. Additional pre-loaded software includes: o IBM DOS and IBM LAN Server(a); o Microsoft Windows(b) 3.0, Word for Windows(b) Academic Version, and Excel for Windows Academic Version; o hDC Utilities(b) Academic Version, including a a keyboard conversion facility for foreign languages and a math equations editor; o ZSoft SoftType(b), an extensive collection of typefaces; o Toolbook(b) Runtime Version, from Asymetrix, which enables Toolbook applications to run; o LANkit Utilities, an interface to network administration tailored specifically to higher education use; o TCP/IP for OS/2(a) to provide TCP/IP routing via the server for external connectivity; o ACIS TCP/IP to allow workstations to interoperate with TCP/IP networks and hosts, if required; o Systos Plus(b)/IBM OS/2 File Backup Utilities to control the backup of files and data on the server hard drive. Included in today's announcement is the Academic Writing Studio, a LANkit-specific application aimed at improving students' writing skills.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Bally Manufacturing Corp. (NYSE:BLY) announced Friday that at a special meeting, its board of directors decided to conduct a complete review of the company's financial condition and operations with a view towards restructuring the company's balance sheet.

In connection with this decision, the board determined that the company's subsidiary Bally's Grand Inc., which owns and operates the company's Nevada casinos, would not make a scheduled Oct. 15, 1990 interest payment of approximately $18.4 million on its 11 1/2 percent First Mortgage Notes due 1996.

The board will use the 30-day grace period provided by the indenture governing these notes to perform an in-depth review of Bally's financial condition and prospects, and to explore various restructuring alternatives.

By availing itself of this grace period, the board noted that such an action, by itself, would not create cross-defaults on the indebtedness of the parent company and of its other subsidiaries and would give the company time to develop a comprehensive plan. The board believes that it is in the company's

best interests to take these steps, it fully inteds to have the company's Nevada operations continue s a viable entity.

The board also decided to suspend the payment of dividends on its common stock.

The company also announced several board and management changes which the board believes will better enable it to explore and implement a restructuring. In this regard, the company announced that Arthur M. Goldberg has been appointed to the position of interim chief executive officer replacing Robert E. Mullane, who retired.

The board also announced a newly created office of the chairman consisting of Goldberg, Roger N. Keesee, Bally president and chief operating officer, Kenneth C. Nichols, a member of the Bally board of directors and Richard Gillman. Gillman is president and chief executive officer of the company's Bally's Park Place Inc. subsidiary. He was also appointed to the board of directors.

Bally Manufacturing Corp. is a world leader in the gaming and fitness industries with four casino hotels, a nationwide network of fitness centers, and a complete line of gaming equipment and systems, fitness equipment and lottery products and services.

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MOBILE, AL (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Delchamps Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:DLCH) announced Friday that sales for the 13-week period ended Sept. 29, 1990, were $252,686,000, an increase of 7.7 percent, compared with the same period last fiscal year.

Net earnings were $2,369,000, a decrease of 20.1 percent from the comparable period last year.

Randy Delchamps, chairman of the board of directors, president and chief executive officer, said that the decrease in earnings during the quarter was a result of increased promotional activity in the market by competitors combined with a soft economy in most of the company's operating area resulting in sales and gross margins being below expectations.

Net earnings per weighted average share outstanding were 33 cents, compared with 42 cents reported for the first quarter of last year. Sales for stores open in both 13-week periods increased 3 percent.

During the quarter, the company remodeled and expanded two stores. Delchamps

now operates 110 supermarkets in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida and seven liquor stores in Florida and has over 9,200 employees.

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MONROVIA, CA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Barry's Jewelers Inc. (NASDAQ:BARY), Friday announced sales and operating results for the first fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31.

Barry's reported a loss of $1,537,000, or 31 cents per share, for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, as compared to net income of $152,000, or 3 cents per share, in the same quarter last year. Sales were $30,870,000 in the current quarter, as compared to $32,426,000 last year.

The loss in the current quarter is primarily due to lower sales and an increased provision for bad debts. Comparable stores sales decreased by approximately 3 percent in a traditionally slow jewelry buying period that was adversely effected by a further deterioration in the general retail environment.

Four under-performing stores were closed during the quarter, which further lowered sales. The increased provision for bad debts reflects the continuing adverse retail and consumer credit environment as well as increased uncollectable account write-offs this year, as compared to the same quarter last year.

Barry's Jewelers Inc. operates 224 stores nationwide under various trade names including: Barry's, Gold Art Creations, Hatfield Jewelers, A. Hirsh & Son Jewelers, Keidan's Jewelers, Milens Jewelers, Mission Jewelers, The Ringmaker, Samuels Jewelers and Schubach Jewelers.

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AMSTELVEEN, THE NETHERLANDS (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The KLM Project Group assigned the task in early July of analysing the possibilities open to the company for reducing cost levels has presented its analysis and recommendations to KLM Management.

As a result the management has drawn up a three-year plan to achieve a permanently competitive cost level for KLM.

This plan was presented to senior management, employee organizations, Joint Staff Council and sector staff committees and, through a detailed internal report, to the entire KLM workforce.

The KLM Management's presentation outlined the situation within the company and industry wide. KLM is taking into account that the current fiscal year will show a significant loss. In spite of positive traffic growth expenditure is increasing faster than revenue.

KLM faces increasing competition from low-cost airlines. KLM cost levels have risen in the course of the years. Among the factors causing this rise have been large-scale investment, essential quality improvement and a productivity gain which failed to meet target.

Sharp increases in fuel prices and insurance costs, the negative influence of weakening currency exchange rates and the threatening situation in the Gulf have caused a substantial decline in results industry wide. Other airlines are equally affected and are similarly engaged in introducing drastic cost-cutting programs.

In its plan KLM indicates what measures will have to be implemented to hold costs at a permanently competitive level in order to achieve the target of a net profit margin equivalent to 5 percent of turnover.

This profit margin is essential to preserve a healthy capital/debt ratio and to safeguard KLM's future as an independent airline.

The company has determined its strategy, restructured its organization and invested in people, training, the Kick-Plus quality-raising program, automation, buildings and, above all, in fleet renewal.

KLM strategy is directed at delivering 'quality at competitive prices'. This demands competitive cost levels. To achieve this goal the total cost level must be cut by at least an extra NLG 400 million within three years.

By doing so the company will achieve two goals: preventing further decline in results during a period of protracted 'rough weather' and structural improvement of its basic position within three years.

Company policy is directed at avoiding forced redundancies as much as possible among other by: - Increasing flexibility of staff deployment - Stopping recruitment of indirect personnel (excepting incidental cases) - Redeploying personnel by use of retraining programs - If necessary, by making use of the existing KLM redundnacy scheme.

In the undesirable event of a decline in traffic growth, KLM will have to readjust its plans.

The KLM Management closed its internal announcement to the personnel with the following words:

''We have faced great challenges in the past. We emerged in good shape. The task we face now is clear: A joint effort to achieve structural reduction of cost levels - an essential precondition for a healthy future for KLM.''

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HICKORY, NC (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - First Savings Bank FSB, Friday reported audited net earnings of $117,219, or 19 cents per share for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares to net earnings of $687,817, or $1.11 per share for the like period last year. In addition, unaudited net earnings for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $267,160, or 43 cents per share. This compares to net earnings of $177,999, or 29 cents per share for the like period last year.

First Savings Bank's earnings for the year ended reflects additional provisions for loan losses arriving from management's assessment of real estate market conditions and the composition of its loan portfolio.

Earnings for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 reflect the continued growth in spread between the cost of savings and yields on loans. In addition the non-interest sensitive service charge income continued to expand.

Assets at June 30, 1990 were $161,547,936 compared to $146,727,714 on June 30, 1989, or a 10.1 percent increase. Assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $163,440,571 compared to $151,086,582, or an 8.2 percent increase over the like period last year.

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ANSONIA, CT (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - A Connecticut Superior Court has rendered its decision regarding a lawsuit filed on Oct. 12, 1989 by a group led by G. Clay von Seldeneck against Great Country Bank and certain of its officers and employees.

The suit challenged the results of the Bank's 1989 Annual Meeting after which Great Country Banks' Inspectors of Election determined that four of the Bank's nominees and only one of the opposition slate (Clay von Seldeneck) had received sufficient votes for election to the board. The von Seldeneck group sought an injunction ordering Great Country Bank to rescind the election results and install all five of the von Seldeneck nominees on the board. They also sought damages for expenses and attorney's fees.

The court's decision filed on Oct. 5 confirmed the election of Great Country Bank's four nominees (Messrs. Bassett, Buckley, Bustelos and Quinn) together with von Seldeneck and ordered them seated. The von Seldeneck group was not awarded damages for expenses or fees which they incurred during the year-long litigation.

Regarding the decision which reaffirmed Great Country Bank's position, Frederick J. Quinn, president of Great Country Bank, commented, ''We're pleased with the court's ruling and can now focus on the business of banking which in today's environment deserves our complete attention. Quinn further stated that, ''The seating of Mr. von Seldeneck has been complicated by his insistence on greater representation on the board.''

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PORTLAND, ME (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - ImmuCell Corp. (NASDAQ: ICCC) announced Friday that it has been awarded a grant from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases for the study of immunotherapy of Cryptosporidium infections.

This Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) Phase I project will investigate the role of specific antibodies to various Cryptosporidium surface antigens in the treatment of cryptosporidiosis in an animal model system.

Infection with Cryptosporidium parvum, a coccidial parasite, causes severe, chronic diarrhea in immunocompromised individuals. In the United States, the company estimates that Cryptosporidium infections occur in approximately 6,000 AIDS patients; associated mortality, however, can be as high as 60 percent in this population. Additionally, in developing countries the incidence of Cryptosporidium infection rates is greater than 30 percent in the AIDS population, and higher infection rates are reported in the general pediatric population. There is currently no chemotherapeutic agent that can be used to control or eliminate the disease. Recent scientific studies have suggested that oral administration of specific antibodies to Cryptosporidium can cure severe infections in AIDS patients.

ImmuCell develops, produces, and markets antibody-based disease prevention products for both human and animal health care applications. The company anticipates that its first immunopreventive product--for the prevention of enteric disease in cattle--will be marketed in January 1991. Adelman has estimated that the total domestic market for similar animal and human immunopreventive products could potentially exceed $400 million per year.

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MONTGOMERY, Ala. (OCT 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Enstar Group Inc. (OTC NASDAQ Symbol: ENST) Friday announced a downward revision to its earnings projections for 1990.

The company previously projected earnings of $30 to $33 million for the year. However, earnings for the year are now expected to be in the range of $15 to $20 million. This reduction in the company's estimated earnings reflects the recent downturn in the economy due to recessionary pressures and events in the Middle East.

Concurrent with the revised numbers, the company has today announced a reduction in its corporate staff of approximately seventy people. This represents approximately 15 percent of its corporate staff. In addition, the company has taken steps to further reduce overhead in other areas of its operations. The combination of corporate staff reduction coupled with other expense savings measures will benefit the company approximately $5 to $6 million annually.

Mr. Grassgreen, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, ''These measures have been taken to ensure continued growth and future profitability for the company in ensuing years.''

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Roosevelt Financial Group Inc. (NASDAQ/RFED), the holding company for Roosevelt Bank, reported net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $1.4 million, or 25 cents per share. This compares with a loss of $4.4 million, or 75 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had a loss of $1.6 million, or 29 cents per share. This loss and the loss for the quarter ended

Sept. 30, 1989 are attributable, as previously reported, to the liquidation of Roosevelt's high yield bond portfolio which was completed in March, 1990.

''We are pleased to be able to show another quarter of steady progress toward our goal of sustainable earnings growth,'' said Clarence M. Turley Jr., chairman of the board.

Asset quality remains outstanding, as Roosevelt's ratio of non-performing assets to total assets stands at 0.30 percent. The marginal increase from 0.28 percent at June 30, 1990 is a result of shrinkage in total assets rather than an increase in non-performing assets.

Company officials announced that the company has repurchased 63,550 shares as part of its stock repurchase program as of Sept. 30, 1990. The company previously announced its intent to repurchase up to 575,000 shares of its own stock before September, 1991. As of Sept. 30, 1990, the company had 5,651,523 shares issued and outstanding.

Company officials also reported that the company anticipates receiving a one-time benefit of approximately $1 million attributable to the expected settlement of its previously reported outstanding Internal Revenue Service examination. Company officials expect that the benefit will be reported as part of future earnings.

With $2.4 billion in assets, Roosevelt Bank is the largest St. Louis based savings institution. Roosevelt now conducts operations through 22 full service offices in Missouri and Illinois, including 20 in the metropolitan St. Louis area.

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PRINCETON, N.J. (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Total Research Corp. (NASDAQ:TOTL) Friday announced results for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues totalled $8,611,331 vs. $8,014,828 last year. The company reported a loss of $1,064,999 or 14 cents per share, the vast majority of which reflects a strategic accounting decision to write off a number of intangible assets which should enhance future years profitability. This compares to earnings of $375,545 or 5 cents per share in 1989.

In making the announcement, Lorin Zissman, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''The company continued its revenue growth although for the first time in 10 years reported a loss. In addition to the write-offs, this loss was attributable to a number of factors including the termination of an

international joint venture with The Research Institute of Social Change (RISC); a delay in commencement of certain large contracts which had been booked during the year; heavier than anticiapted start-up expenses for Equi-Trend, a new product introduced during the thrid quarter, and expenses attendant to the opening of a Chicago sales office.''

He added, ''The loss while substantial, does not accurately reflect the true picture of the company's growth prospects. In fact, fiscal 1991, based on early results from the first quarter, should be the best in Total Research's history. Revenues are anticipated to exceed $12 million and net earnings should top $600,000 or 7 cents per share.''

Zissman noted that those large contracts delayed in 1990, but commenced during the first quarter of 1991, will significantly impact the company's first half of the current year.

Moreover, Equi-Trend has had excellent response from corporate clients and to date sales are approaching $1.5 million and should continue to contribute throughout 1991 and into 1992.

He said that the company had a backlog of signed contracts totalling $4.5 million as it entered 1991 and during the first three months of the new fiscal year it has booked an additional $4.2 million of signed contracts.

''These preliminary results reflect the optimism throughout the company that 1991 will be Total Research's finest year ever.

Indicative of this is the newly opened Chicago office's exceptional performance and coupled with a number of high quality market research professionals who joined the company in 1990 who also have made considerable contributions, there are many reasons to believe that 1991 projections will be met and even exceeded,'' Zissman said.

Total Research Corp. is a marketing research firm known for its predictive marketing research technologies that are applied to pricing, promotion, product attributes and other marketing variables. The company is also a recognized leader in consumer brand equity research and quality management programs. It has been consistently ranked by Advertising Age as one of the fastest-growing marketing research firms in the United States.

Total Research Corp.
Financial Highlights
For the Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
Revenues	$8,611,331	$8,014,828
Net income (loss)	$(1,064,999)	$ 375,545
Net income per share	$(.14)	$.05
Shares outstanding	7,750,480	7,745,480

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JACKSON, Tenn. (OCT 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Ray U. Tanner, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Volunteer Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:VOLB) Friday announced earnings for the third quarter of 1990.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $726,000 compared to $562,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Year-to-date net income for 1990 was $2,046,000 vs. $1,625,000 for 1989, representing a 25.9 percent increase.

Earnings per share for the third quarters of 1990 and 1989 were 33 cents and 26 cents, respectively. Year-to-date earnings per share were 94 cents and 76 cents for 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Net interest income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and 1989, was $9,947,000 and $8,998,000, respectively, representing a 10.5 percent increase.

Brad Hancock, chief financial officer of the company, stated, ''The company has experienced an improved net interest spread which has contributed to improved earnings for 1990.'' The net interest spread was 3.25 percent for the first nine months of 1990 compared to 2.84 percent for the same period last year.

Total assets of the company as of Sept. 30, 1990, were $351.2 million, representing a 2.2 percent increase over a year ago. Total shareholders' equity as of Sept. 30, 1990, was $30.6 million, reflecting a 7.3 percent increase since Sept. 30, 1989.

Tanner stated ''asset growth and strong income performance have been evident throughout the first nine months of 1990. We enter the last quarter of 1990 looking forward to continued growth and improvement in all areas of the company.''

Volunteer Bancshares Inc. is traded over the counter under the symbol (VOLB) and has been quoted on the NASDAQ system since August 1985. Principal market makers for the company's stock are Equitable Securities Corp., Sterne Agee & Leach, Morgan-Keegan & Co. and J.C. Bradford and Co.

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TULLAHOMA, Tenn. (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - First Federal Savings Bank of Tennessee (NASDAQ:FTSB) reported first quarter net operating earnings of $247,200, or 48 cents per share, for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the corresponding period a year ago, First Federal reported net operating earnings of $288,118, or 56 cents per share.

''While the economy obviously is soft in some areas, First Federal has continued to achieve significant growth in key segments,'' said Murray J. Brown, president and chief executive officer. ''From a year ago, increases have been achieved in deposits, loans serviced for other institutions, and shareholder equity.''

As of Sept. 30, deposits were $194,032,400, up from $189,735,943 for the same period a year ago. Loans serviced for others at Sept. 30, were $268,872,811, compared with $204,061,530 a year ago. Shareholder equity for the first quarter was $11,702,000, up from $11,340,035.

Tangible book value per share as of Sept. 30, 1990, was $14.30, compared with $13.32 a year ago.

First Federal also announced that Dr. Frank Mastrapasqua, a partner of J.C. Bradford & Co. and director of research, has been named an advisory director.

''Dr. Mastrapasqua is widely recognized as one of the nation's leading economists, and First Federal is, indeed, fortunate to have him as an advisory board member,'' said Brown.

Dr. Mastrapasqua received a bachelor's degree in mathematics from Fairfield University and earned an M.B.A. and Ph.D. in economics and finance from New York University. Prior to joining J.C. Bradford, he served as chairman of the finance department of the University of Houston and advised various corporations, including American General Capital Management, and L.F. Rothschild, Unterberg, Towbin.

First Federal Savings Bank is the state's 11th largest thrift institution with mortgage lending offices in four cities, including Nashville and Chattanooga. Full service operations are maintained in five cities.

First Federal Savings Bank of Tennessee's common stock is traded in the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol FTSB.

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PRINCETON, N.J. (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Anthony P. Galli, has been elected a director of Total Research Corp. (NASDAQ:TOTL).

Galli is vice president and general manager of the New Jersey-Delaware Valley office of Hill & Knowlton, the world's largest public relations firm. He opened the office, based in Princeton, early in 1989 and serves such clients as The David Sarnoff Research Center; Adage Inc.; Atlantic City and Southern Shore Region Tourism Councils, and Bell Atlantic Knowledge Systems.

Before joining Hill & Knowlton, Galli was vice president and world director of marketing for Business Wire, an international press relations wire service. He also had senior public relations positions at a number of leading advertising agencies, including N.W. Ayer Inc., Albert Frank-Guenther Law and Bozell, Jacobs, Kenyon & Eckhardt. His career also includes a decade as a correspondent for UPI, AP and Time Inc.

Gallie was graduated from Temple University, began his graduate work at Harvard and completed it for his MBA degree at Pace University in New York.

In making the announcement, Lorin Zissman, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''Tony Galli's addition to the Board of Directors provides the company with an executive experience in all phases of marketing communications. In addition, his background as a senior policy counsellor to heads of state, government leaders, top level corporate executives and other dignitaries will be of immeasurable help to Total Research Corporation as it grows in the Nineties.''

Total Research Corp. is a marketing research firm known for its predictive marketing research technologies that are applied to pricing, promotion, product attributes and other marketing variables. The company is also a recognized leader in consumer brand equity research and quality management programs. It has been consistently ranked by Advertising Age as one of the fastest-growing marketing research firms in the United States.

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DALLAS (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - International Broadcast Systems Ltd.

announced Friday that for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 it had revenues of $1,779,000, pre-tax net income of $248,000, and net income after tax of $215,000, or 7 cents per share.

This compares to $613,000 in revenues and a net loss of $732,000, or 21 cents per share, during the same quarter in 1989.

The company's revenues increased 190 percent from $613,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989 to $1,779,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues from program distribution increased 172 percent during the third quarter in 1990 to $1,533,000, compared to $563,000 during the same quarter in 1989. During the third quarter in 1990, consulting revenues increased to $246,000 from $50,000, for the same period in 1989. Consulting revenues represented approximately 14 percent of total revenues for the third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, IBS had revenues of $6,731,000, pre-tax net income of $796,000, and net income after tax of $693,000, or 21 cents per share, compared to revenues of $4,109,000 and a net loss of $593,000 or 22 cents per share, for the same nine-month period in 1989. For the 12 months ended Dec. 31, 1989, the company recorded revenues of $4,834,000. Costs and expenses rose 2 percent to $1,598,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 from $1,562,000 for the same period in 1989. Program licensing costs as a percentage of program distribution revenues decreased from 48 percent during the third quarter of 1989 to 23 percent during the third quarter of 1990.

The decrease in program licensing costs continues to be primarily attributable to the growth of the company's library of programs now licensed on a long-term basis.

In addition to revenues from operations of $1,779,000, the company received interest income of $73,000 relating to cash and cash equivalent investments.

With offices in Dallas, Los Angeles, Paris, Santiago and Washington, D.C., IBS distributes television programming in more than 125 countries. Additionally the firm secures airtime and sponsorships internationally as well as providing broadcast management and consulting services for television stations and program producers domestically and abroad.

The company's Class A Common Stock trades under the NASDAQ symbol ''IBTVA.''

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WORCESTER, MA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Peoples Bancorp of Worcester Inc. (NASDAQ: PEBW), the holding company for Peoples Savings Bank, Friday reported

that it has added $2,000,000 to its reserve for possible loan losses in the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

As a result of this action, Peoples recorded a net loss of $801,000, or 30 cents per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, vs. net income of $1,259,000, or 42 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $1,823,000, or 69 cents per share, vs. $4,257,000, or $1.45 per share, for the first nine months of 1989. Weighted-average shares outstanding for the comparable periods were 2,635,664 vs. 2,944,502.

Net loans at Sept. 30, 1990, were $505,297,000, compared with $543,797,000 at Sept. 30, 1989. Nonperforming loans in the third quarter, all secured, increased to $11,417,000, 2.22 percent of the bank's total portfolio, including nonaccrual loans and loans in foreclosure totaling $5,610,000. Net charge-offs against the reserve for the quarter totaled $1,216,000. At the quarter's end, the reserve for possible loan losses after the charge-offs and the special provision was $5,546,000, or 1.08 percent of total loans and 5.33 percent of commercial loans. The reserve represented 56.7 percent of nonaccrual loans and loans greater than 90 days past due.

Total assets were $919,730,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $814,122,000 at Sept. 30, 1989. This year's figure includes significant growth in investments purchased with the deposits acquired from the former Milford Savings Bank on July 6, 1990. Earning assets totaled $872,641,000 compared with $767,509,000 on the same period in 1989.

During the quarter, Peoples received a payment of $27 million from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) in connection with bank's 1989 acquisition of the former First Service Bank for Savings of Leominster/Fitchburg. Less than $2 million still remains unsettled.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total deposits were $838,003,000, compared with $682,062,000 at Sept. 30, 1989.

Through its principal subsidiary, Peoples Savings Bank, the company provides a wide range of retail and commerical banking services to a broad customer base throughout central and northwestern Massachusetts.

CONTACT: Peoples Bancorp of Worcester
James K. Hunt or Joan S. Scano, 508/791-3861

-30- 2623

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PORTSMOUTH, RI (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Quadrax Advanced Materials Systems, a unit of Quadrax Corp. (NASDAQ:QDRX) Friday announced that the U.S.

Department of the Army has accepted Quadrax's $50,000 proposal for Phase I of a materials development program.

Under the terms of the contract, Quadrax will develop new types of three-dimensional (3-D) ceramic matrix preforms. The 3-D preforms are shapes of braided metal-oxide and silicon-carbide fibers which are then infused with silicon carbide or silicon nitride vapor to form solid ceramic composite parts.

These parts are expected to estabish significantly higher standareds of resistance to damage from high heat and harsh chemical environments.

Successful completion of this Phase I program will justify a continuation into a broader, Phase II effort which would determine the feasibility of fabricating larger and more complex shapes.

Potential applications include fan blades and other components of gas turbine engines, piping for corrosive environments, motor components and combustion-gas filters.

Current, monolithic ceramics exhibit an inherent brittleness and low impact resistance which severely limit their reliability under typical operating conditions.

By merging an effective reinforcement technique with inexpensive ceramic matrix processing methods, the Army Laboratory Command hopes that this developmental program will lead to a low cost manufacturing route to high-performance ceramic shapes for the most demanding applications.

The Quadrax application was selected under the Department of Army's Small Business Innovation Research Program (SBIR).

Quadrax Advanced Materials Systems Inc., is a division of Quadrax Corp., headquartered in Portsmouth, and a supplier of advanced composite materials, equipment and services.

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David Miller, 401/683-6600
or
Brown Boxenbaum Inc., New York
Lewis Boxenbaum, 212/490-3355

-30- 2163

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MEDINA, Ohio (OCT 12) BUSINESS WIRE - RPM Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:RPOW) Friday anounced that for the first quarter of its 1991 fiscal year, ended Aug. 31, RPM attained record levels of sales, earnings and earnings per share.

First-quarter sales were $131,455,911, a 22 percent increase over last year's record first quarter sales of $107,503,369. Earnings increased 11 percent to $10,629,038 over last year's record earnings of $9,608,684. Earnings per share totaled 45 cents, a gain of 5 percent over 43 cents earned in last year's first quarter.

RPM's first quarter earnings per share were impacted by reorganization costs of the January 1990 acquisition of Kop-Coat Inc., and the July 1990, conversion of a $30 million Eurobond issue. RPM mentioned that the results of the first quarter are a good indication that the company will achieve its 44th consecutive record year of sales, earnings and earnings per share for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1991.

In response to the results of the first quarter and indicated results for the 1991 fiscal year, the RPM board of directors increased the quarterly cash dividend 10 percent to 19 cents per share from 17 cents. The increase takes effect with the dividend payable Oct. 31, to shareholders of record Oct. 22. This is the 17th consecutive annual increase in the cash dividend paid to RPM shareholders.

As further recognition of the positive future outlook, the RPM directors declared a 25 percent stock dividend, payable on Dec. 7, to shareholders of record Nov. 23. This stock dividend is a continuation of a pattern of stock dividends begun in 1976.

After payment of the stock dividend, the per share cash dividend will be adjusted to $0.155, maintaining the 10 percent increase in cash paid.

Shareholders at their annual meeting elected a new director, E. Bradley Jones, for a three-year term. Jones is the retired chairman and chief executive officer of Republic Steel Corp. and a director of several major corporations. Also, re-elected at the annual meeting for a three-year term were Roy H. Holdt retired chairman and chief executive officer of White Consolidated Industries Inc., and John H. Morris, executive vice president of the company.

RPM Inc. is a manufacturer of specialized protecitve coatings, sealants and adhesives serving the industrial waterproofing and corrosion-control markets, as well as the do-it-yourself consumer hobby and craft markets. RPM shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol RPOW. The fiscal year ended May 31, 1990 was RPM's 43rd consecutive record year of sales, earnings and earnings per share, with sales of $444,823,880, earnings of $27,710,369 and earnings per share of $1.23.

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-30- 3051

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DALLAS (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Central and South West Corp. (NYSE:CSR) said Friday that its Central and South West Services unit has filled two key management positions in its treasury division.

Wendy G. Hargus was named director of investor relations for Central and South West Services Inc., effective Oct. 15.

Rocky R. Miracle was named assistant treasurer and director of finance, effective Oct. 16. Miracle also was named assistant treasurer of the parent Central and South West Corp., subject to approval by the corporation's board of directors.

Hargus has been with the Central and South West system for 10 years. She joined West Texas Utilities Co., a Central and South West subsidiary, in 1980 and worked in the treasury and controller's departments at WTU. In 1986, she transferred to Central and South West Services, where she has worked in the financial accounting and strategic planning departments.

Hargus has a bachelor's of business administration degree in accounting from McMurry College and a master's of science degree in accounting from Texas Tech University. She is a certified public accountant in Texas.

Besides investor relations, Hargus will be responsible for the shareholders services area at Central and South West Services.

Miracle currently is financial services manager for Texas Utilities Services Inc. He has been with the Texas Utilities system since 1975 and has a broad background in finance, accounting and ratemaking.

He has a bachelor's of business administration degree in finance from the University of Texas at Austin, a master's of business administration degree in finance from East Texas State University and a master's of arts degree in political economy from the University of Texas at Dallas.

As assistant treasurer and director of finance, Miracle will be responsible for the Central and South West system's long-term finance, investments, management of benefit plan assets, and cash management. He fills the position left vacant when Paul F. Douty Jr. was promoted to vice president of finance at West Texas Utilities Co.

Central and South West Corp. is a Dallas-based public utility holding company. It owns four electric operating subsidiaries that serve customers in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas. It also owns an Oklahoma intrastate natural-gas pipeline subsidiary and five other subsidiaries.

CONTACT: Central and South West Corp., Dallas
Gerald R. Hunter, 214/754-1165

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JACKSON, MISS (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Trustmark Corp. (NASDAQ:TRMK), parent company of Trustmark National Bank, reported net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $20,889,822, or $2.13 per share.

This compares with $20,869,716, or $2.12 per share, for the same period last year.

Deposits at Sept. 30, 1990, were $2,992,611,838 compared to $2,543,590,210 for the same period last year. Total stockholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990, was $244,677,384. Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $3,579,845,027 compared to $3,073,231,900 for the same period last year.

The results of operations in the Jackson, Meridian, Hattiesburg and Louisville branches of Unifirst Bank for Savings subsequent to June 15, 1990, are included in the consolidated statements.

CONTACT: Trustmark Corp., Jackson Gray Wiggers, 601/354-5942

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DARIEN, CT (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Hometown Bancorporation Inc., parent company of The Bank of Darien, announced that it has negotiated to purchase approximately 86,450 shares of its common stock.

The consummation of this transaction is expected to take place in the next several business days.

Kevin E. Gage, president of Hometown stated, ''The opportunity to acquire the shares came subsequent to the completion of the company's tender offer to acquire up to 500,000 shares of its common stock.

''Although the tender offer expired on June 15, 1990 and by policy the company is not currently looking to acquire additional shares, this represented a one-time opportunity to acquire a large block of Hometown Bancorporation Inc. common stock.''

Total shares acquired in 1990 through the tender offer and the negotiated purchase will total 235,994. The price paid for all shares was $5.00.

Hometown Bancorporation Inc. continues to be one of the most highly capitalized banks in Connecticut, having a primary capital to assets ratio of approximately 15 percent subsequent to the consummation of the common stock purchase. FDIC regulations require a minimum primary capital ratio of 6

percent.

Hometown Bancorporation Inc. is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System (NMS) and is quoted under the symbol HTWN.

CONTACT: Hometown Bancorporation Inc., Darien
Kevin E. Gage, 203/656-2265

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#90285b0802 10/12/1990 ~Business Wire

MONROVIA, CA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - STAAR Surgical Co. announced the addition to its board of directors of Mr. Andrew F. Pollet, managing partner of the Law Firm Pollet & Associates, Los Angeles.

Pollet is a graduate of the University of San Diego Law School and has undergraduate and graduate degrees in Business Administration from the University of Southern California.

Pollet is a director of a number of other private and publicly held companies involved in a diversity of areas including pharmaceuticals, manufacturing and real estate development.

''We view Mr. Pollet's addition to our Board as a vote of confidence in STAAR from the local investor community,'' stated LaMar F. Laster, chairman. ''Each of our Directors plays a vital role in the ongoing revitalization of STAAR, and Mr. Pollet will give us the added dimension of both legal and business counsel,'' he continued.

STAAR, a publicly traded company founded in 1982, develops, manufactures and markets products for small-incision surgery, primarily for use in cataract procedures.

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John R. Wolf or LaMar F. Laster, 818/303-7902
or 800/352-7842

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MONTGOMERY, Ala. (OCT 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Blount Inc. (ASE:BLT.A) Friday announced it has agreed to acquire certain products from Industries Tanguay Inc. of Ste.-Foy, Quebec.

Both companies manufacture and market timber harvesting and handling equipment.

Under terms of the agreement, Blount will acquire engineering, manufacturing and marketing rights to all Tanguay products, including products currently

under development.

''This acquisition is an integral part of our long-range plan to grow and build value,'' said Bill Van Sant, Blount Inc., president and chief operating officer. ''The addition of Tanguay's fine products to the line of forestry equipment currently produced by Blount's Omark Material Handling Division is a key step in this plan.

''It will allow us to broaden the division's product offerings for its long-time and loyal dealers and customers, while positioning the company to be a more effective multi-national competitor.''

Blount Inc. is an international manufacturing and construction company headquartered in Montgomery. Its Omark Material Handling Division manufactures and markets Prentice log loaders and Hydro-Ax feller bunchers.

CONTACT: Blount Inc., Montgomery Dave Rickey, 205/244-4369

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WESTBOROUGH, MA (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - As Hurricane Lili approaches the area, Massachusetts Electric would like to offer information and safety tips for its customers.

''Hurricanes are more than mere storms. They are accompanied by all types of extreme weather that could cause power outages,'' said John H. Dickson, president of Mass. Electric. ''Don't take these storms lightly. Being prepared is the best way to minimize the effect on your home and family.''

According to Dickson, power outages are often caused if lightning strikes poles and power lines, or if high winds cause tree limbs to fall onto wires. In addition, automobile accidents can also cause power outages if cars hit poles and bring power lines down.

Although Mass. Electric works to restore power as quickly as possible, advanced preparation could make a power outage more tolerable.

Preventive measures include the following:

-- Have candles, matches, flashlights and extra batteries handy. Have a battery-operated radio ready to use and be sure to check the batteries regularly.

-- Keep extra rolls of masking tape or other heavy tape around the house. It can be used to protect windows, if high winds are predicted.

-- Stock up on food that doesn't need to be refrigerated or cooked, such as

peanut butter, bread, canned juices, dried fruit, nuts and soups. Be sure to have a manual can opener in the house.

-- Keep a few air-tight containers on hand to store drinking water. This is particularly important if your house uses well water that is pumped electrically.

-- If a hurricane is predicted, double check all your supplies. Remove any portable items from your yard such as children's toys or lawn ornaments; tie down any items that cannot be brought indoors. Fill your car's gas tank. Tape small windows and board any large ones to protect yourself from broken glass.

-- As the storm approaches, turn refrigerator and freezer controls to their highest positions to keep the contents cool during a possible power outage. Keep the appliance doors shut as much as possible. If power does go out, unplug all major appliances to avoid a power surge when the power is restored. Televisions, washers and dryers should all be unplugged. (Keep one small light on in the house so you'll be able to tell when the power comes back on.)

-- If power lines are down around your home, don't go near them and be sure to keep children and pets away from the lines too. Call Mass. Electric to take care to them.

-- Don't use charcoal burners in your home to cook or to generate heat. The coals generate poisonous cardon monoxide fumes.

-- After power is resumed, check refrigerated and frozen foods. Meat, poultry and vegetables that still contain ice crystals can be refrozen. If the color or odor of any food is ''off'', discard it.

''Following these tips can make an uncomfortable situation manageable. If you have any questions about what to do in a major storm or hurricane, please call Mass. Electric,'' Dickson said.

''Remember, during an actual storm our telephone lines are very busy. Please be patient and continue to call.''

Mass. Electric serves 906,000 customers in 146 Massachusetts communities.

CONTACT: Massachusetts Electric Co., Westborough
Mary-Ellen Harn, 508/366-9011 (days)
617/498-9880 (evenings)

-30- 3577

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VALLEY STREAM, NY (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Nationwide Cellular Service Inc.

(NASDAQ: NCEL) Friday announced that it has commenced a lawsuit in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York against American Mobile Communications Inc. (''AMC''), certain of the shareholders of AMC and AMC's accountants, BDO Seidman and that it has also commenced an arbitration proceeding against AMC and its shareholders.

Both the lawsuit and arbitration proceedings arise from disputes in connection with an Assets Acquisition Agreement dated July 27, 1989 (''Agreement'') pursuant to which Nationwide acquired substantially all of the assets of AMC. Nationwide alleges in the lawsuit and arbitration proceedings that AMC and its shareholders have breached the Agreement and that BDO Seidman has failed to comply with its obligations to Nationwide in connection with the Agreement, and are therefore liable for damages incurred by Nationwide.

Nationwide also announced that after Nationwide had filed its lawsuit, AMC filed a lawsuit in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York against Nationwide and three of its officers and directors which seeks damages based on alleged breaches by Nationwide of the Agreement and other alleged wrongs by the individual defendants.

Nationwide stated that it intends to vigorously prosecute the proceedings it has commenced and defend the action brought against the company.

CONTACT: Nationwide Cellular Service Inc., Valley Stream
  Joseph Gregori or Jerome Sanders, 516/568-2000

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     #90285b0818 10/12/1990 ~Business Wire
PROVIDENCE, R.I. (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Providence Energy Corp. (AMEX:PVY) declared a regular quarterly dividend Friday of 35 cents per share, payable Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 25, 1990.

Providence Energy serves as the holding company and parent of Rhode Island's largest gas distribution company, The Providence Gas Co. Providence Energy utility subsidiaries provide natural gas service to approximately 155,000 accounts in Providence, Newport, and 24 other cities and towns in Rhode Island and nearby Massachusetts.

In addition, Providence Energy owns Newport America Corp. which operates five non-utility subsidiaries with interest in energy-related activities.

CONTACT: Providence Energy Corp., Providence
    Harry J. Bishop, 401/831-2371

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#90285b0822 10/12/1990 ~Business Wire

MOBILE, AL (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Delchamps Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:DLCH) announced the outcome of its annual shareholders' meeting held Friday.

Directors Carl F. Bailey, John A. Caddell and Randy Delchamps were re-elected as directors for three-year terms expiring at the 1993 annual meeting of shareholders. In addition, James M. Cain was elected for a two-year term expiring at the 1992 annual meeting to fill the position left vacant by the death of A.F. Delchamps Jr., last year.

Cain is senior vice president, system executive, Louisiana Division of Entergy Corp.; chairman of the board and chief executive officer, Louisiana Power and Light Co; chairman of the board and chief executive officer, New Orleans Public Service Inc.

Other board members continuing to serve as directors with terms expiring at the 1991 meeting are E. E. Bishop, T. Robert Fiddler and Joel O. Swanson; also serving as directors are William W. Crawford and Annie Delchamps Moore whose terms will expire at the 1992 annual meeting.

Also, the shareholders ratified the board's appointment of KPMG Peat Marwick as the company's independent auditors.

Following the meeting of shareholders, the company's board of directors held its regular quarterly meeting at which time the directors voted to increase the regular quarterly dividend from 10 cents to 11 cents per share payable on Nov. 21, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 7, 1990.

Delchamps Inc. operates 110 supermarkets in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida, and seven liquor stores in Florida.

CONTACT: Delchamps Inc., Mobile
James H. McDonald Jr., 205/433-0431 ext. 290

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#90285b0834 10/12/1990 ~Business Wire

DOVER, N.H. (OCT. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Great Bay Bankshares Inc., (NASDAQ:GBBS), Friday announced a net loss of $2,029,000 or $.74 per share for the first quarter ended September 30, 1990.

This compares to net income of $1,091,000 or $.35 per share in the comparable period last year.

The Company's equity-to-asset ratio was 13.5 percent at September 30, 1990, with consolidated equity capital exceeding $41,000,000. With 2,733,750 shares of common stock outstanding, book value per share stood at $15.23.

''This quarter's results were impacted by a $3,015,000 provision for future loan losses,'' according to Donald R. Hatt, President and Chief Executive Officer. ''After deducting $539,000 in net charge offs during the quarter, our loan loss reserve totals $7,710,000 or 3.3 percent of total loans.

''Non-performing assets, including $4,947,000 in restructured loans, $1,366,000 in real estate owned, and $11,763,000 in non-accrual loans totaled $18,076,000 or 5.9 percent of total assets as of September 30, 1990.

''Despite an increase in non-performing assets, Great Bay Bankshares generated $1,200,000 in pre-tax earnings before loan losses this quarter. Nearly $2,500,000 of the $3,015,000 provisions in this quarter was not deductible for tax purposes, thereby exacerbating the reported loss.''

Great Bay Bankshares, Inc., is the parent holding company of Southeast Bank for Savings, a $300 million, FDIC insured, full- service community bank; and Constitution Trust Company, which has $55 million of assets under management.

CONTACT: Great Bay Bankshares Inc., Dover
Cheryl L. K. Boland, 603/749-4149

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 10:

Rally Ventures Ltd. (RALL)

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 11 due to an insufficient number of active market makers:

First United Bancorp Inc. (FUBI)

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 10:

Command Credit Corp. - Wts. 2/3/91 (CDMDW); Called for redemption 10/15/90

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#90285c0007 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 11:

Williams Controls Inc. - Units 10/26/90 (WMCOU) to Units 4/26/91 (WMCOU)

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#90285c0009 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:39 that trade in Banyan Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol BYC.

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#90285c0011 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:44 that trade in Atico Financial (NASDAQ: ATFC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 6 3/4. The company is located in Miami, FL.

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#90285c0012 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Astrex Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ASI. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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#90285c0013 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Great Oaks Financial Corp.'s(TICKER: GOFC) wholly-owned subsidiary, Great Oaks Casualty Insurance Co., entered commutation agreements with reinsurers, retroactive to April 30, 1990, for reinsurance contracts on its 1988, 1987 and 1986 business.

Great Oaks Casualty received $601,777 from these reinsurers on Sept. 18, 1990.

As a result of the transaction, Great Oaks reassumed 40%, 35% and 8% of the business ceded in those years, respectively, and is now liable for all losses incurred subsequent to the commutation.

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#90285c0014 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Enzon Inc.(TICKER: ENZN) lost $8.04 million, or $0.65 per share, on revenues of $2.55 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $947,654, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $2.66 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90285c0015 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 30, 1990, the Levy Bancorp Voting Trust was terminated.

Shares of Levy Bancorp held under the trust were distributed to the beneficial owners.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, the company had 2.88 million shares of its common stock and 1.15 million shares of its Centennial preferred stock issued and outstanding.

The trust held 1.72 million shares, or approximately 60% of the issued and outstanding shares.

It held 800,000 shares, or approximately 69%, of the issued and outstanding shares of the company's Centennial preferred stock.

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#90285c0016 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the Coral Companies Inc.(TICKER: COCI), on Sept. 26, 1990, purchased from Unisys Corp. (TICKER: UIS) hardware and peripheral computer equipment for use by Coral in hardware and software systems sold to Inmac Corp.(TICKER: INMC) by Coral under a written contract signed June 29, 1989, and installed in Inmac's U.S. offices.

The purchase price for the equipment was $604,673, obtained from Unisys Finance Corp.

Inmac has entered into a direct lease of the equipment from Unisys Finance Corp., to become effective when the system provided by Coral to Inmac is fully operational.

When the direct lease becomes effective, Coral will be absolved of all liability under the promissory note.

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#90285c0018 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Stars To Go Inc.(TICKER: STAR) was informed in July, 1990, by the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD) that it no longer met NASD's $375,000 capital and surplus requirement for continued listing of common stock.

In August, 1990, Stars made a proposal to holders of its cumulative preferred Series C stock to exchange their Series C stock, liquidation value $10 per share, for a new series of preferred stock, also having a liquidation value of

$10 per share and designated as cumulative preferred Series D stock.

On Sept. 28, 1990, Stars issued 345,984 Series D shares, in exchange for 345,984 Series C shares previously tendered for exchange.

The company reports it expects the remaining 86,496 Series C shares outstanding to be tendered for exchange before Dec. 31, 1990.

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#90285c0019 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Interfund Corp.(TICKER: IFND) on Oct. 8, 1990, dismissed its independent accountant, Coopers & Lybrand.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90285c0020 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows HiTech Engineering Co. Inc.(TICKER: THEX) on Sept. 24, 1990, filed a voluntary petition for bankruptcy protection under Chapter 11, with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia.

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#90285c0021 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of AST Research Inc.(TICKER: ASTA) approved on July 24, 1990, the repurchase of up to 1.5 million shares of AST Research Inc. common stock.

During the period from Sept. 20 through Oct. 4, 1990, AST repurchased 740,000 shares, now retired.

These shares, in addition to those previously repurchased, complete the 1.5 million share repurchase.

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#90285c0022 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Bally Manufacturing has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol BLY. Trading was resumed at 11:07.

-30- 351
#90285c0023 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Banyan Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol BYC. Trading was resumed at 11:18.

-30- 336
#90285c0024 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Colorado Ranch Investors, in which International Leisure Enterprises Inc. (TICKER: ILEX) (ILE) owns an 85% interest, sold Ross Springs Ranch for $400,000 in cash.

The property was sold to Arthur J. Martori, a director and control shareholder of ILE.

The company reports it will realize a loss from the disposition of the property in the amount of $193,958.61.

The ranch consists of 1,815 acres of undeveloped forested land 115 miles southwest of Denver.

-30- 699
#90285c0026 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 3 1990, Mestek Inc.(TICKER: MCC) announced that its board of directors authorized the repurchase of up to 500,000 shares of common stock.

Mestek currently has 7.4 million common shares outstanding, and recently has repurchased over 100,000 shares of its common stock.

-30- 509
#90285c0027 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows NOVA Corp. of Alberta(TICKER: NVA) announced Oct. 1 completion of the sale of its Polysar Rubber Division to Bayer AG (TICKER: BAYRY) of West Germany.

The proceeds from the sale, approximately $1.25 billion, will be used to reduce NOVA's non-cost-of-service debt, the company reports.

Bayer additionally has assumed approximately $100 million in debt related to the division.

-30- 596
#90285c0028 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Garden State Bancshares Inc. announced Oct. 9, 1990 that it incurred a third-quarter losses of $1.94 million.

The company attributed the loss mainly to an increase in its provision for loan losses in the amount of $2.77 million.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, the provision for loan losses was $3.36 million, or 1.63% of total loans outstanding.

-30- 580

#90285c0029 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Payline Systems Inc. reached an agreement in principle on Sept. 27, 1990, with a Nevada company operating a significant network of pay telephones in the western U.S., including Arizona, California, Idaho and Nevada.

According to the terms of the agreement, Payline will be the exclusive operator service provider for these pay telephones and the customer will become Payline's exclusive representative to market Payline's operator services in Nevada.

Payline reports the parties involved intend to complete the transition of the customer's pay telephones over to Payline's operator center in Portland, Oregon by Oct. 15, 1990.

-30- 872

#90285c0030 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Grandview Mines (TICKER: GRDM) changed its name to Cimarron-Grandview Group Inc. effective Oct. 1, 1990.

-30- 291

#90285c0031 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows New Star Entertainment Inc.(TICKER: MOVY) on Sept. 28, 1990, was granted a motion by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court to convert to Chapter 7 bankruptcy proceedings.

-30- 386

#90285c0032 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows CIP Corp. announced that on Sept. 22, 1990, Hilliard J. Fjord resigned as director, chairman, president and treasurer of the company.

On Sept. 27, 1990, Fred Morr was selected to fill the vacancy on the board of directors and also was elected president and treasurer of the company.

-30- 479

#90285c0034 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Parc Place Inc. filed to offer 500,000 shares of common stock at an initial offering price of $5 per share.

Parc Place provides treatment for adolescents suffering from behavior disorders, alcohol and drug abuse or dependency.

The offering is underwritten by First American Biltmore Securities Inc.

The company's executive offices are located at 5301 East Thomas Road, Phoenix, AZ 85018, and its telephone number is (602) 840-4774.

-30- 676

#90285c0035 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows Rada Electronic Industries Ltd.(TICKER: RADI) announced Oct. 9, 1990, that it had acquired the remaining 49% minority interest in its subsidiaries, Vectronics Ltd. and Arcom Electronic Holdings Ltd.

Rada also stated it reached agreement with the owners of the remaining 39% minority interest in Tasco Electronic Services Inc. to acquire their interests in exchange for 275,000 ordinary shares.

-30- 621

#90285c0036 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Neogen Corp.(TICKER: NEOG) lost $505,197, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $1.08 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $209,137, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $1.39 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 463

#90285c0037 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United Mobile Homes Inc.(TICKER: UMHI) earned $30,505, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $2.34 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with losses of $113,399, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of

$2.19 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 487

#90285c0038 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Delaware Otsego Inc.(TICKER: DOCP) on Sept. 27, 1990, concluded financing arrangements with Chemical Bank, by which the company may borrow up to $11 million.

On Sept. 28, 1990, Delaware borrowed $6 million, pursuant to an eight-year term loan.

The proceeds of the loan were used to retire approximately $3.8 million of existing debt.

The company also has available up to $3 million for certain capital acquisitions, pursuant to a second eight-year term loan, and up to $2 million, pursuant to a two-year line of credit convertible to a four-year term loan.

-30- 804

#90285c0039 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Silverside Resources Inc.(TICKER: SVSF) has concluded an agreement with Deak Resources Corp. to sell Silverside's 87.5% interest in the 106 claim Garrison Township property for the sum of $705,000.

Silverside has received $100,000 from Deak, and the balance would be paid as $370,000 on Jan. 2, 1991 and $235,000 on March 31, 1991.

Deak has given assurance to Silverside to put the property into production within 30 days of conclusion of the agreement.

-30- 683

#90285c0040 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Graphic Scanning Corp.(TICKER: GSCC) lost $47.46 million (including a loss of $482,000 from discontinued operations) on revenues of $101.68 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $25.55 million (including a loss of $1.67 million and $3.16 million from discontinued operations) on revenues of $89.90 for fiscal 1989.

-30- 581

#90285c0042 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ABV GMBH OWNS 500,000 SHARES (6.87%) OF MSR EXPLORATION LTD (TICKER: MSR) OF CUT BANK, MT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 21, 1990, A.B.V. purchased 550,000 shares from Joseph V. Montalban in a privately negotiated transaction for the purchase price of $1,375,000 (U.S.).

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 505
#90285c0043 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 2,111,370 SHARES (9.91%) OF TAMBRANDS INC (TICKER: TMB) OF LAKE SUCCESS, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 22, 1990 through Oct. 2, 1990, Fidelity International LTD purchased 31,500 shares at a price of $76.48 to $84.06 per share and sold 4,000 shares at a price of $79.97 to $79.99 per share.

-30- 534
#90285c0044 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 485,050 SHARES (9.22%) OF KASLER CORP (TICKER: KASL) OF HIGHLAND, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 360
#90285c0045 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J.H. SHIDLER OWNS 1,313,600 SHARES (5.03%) OF GROSSMANS INC (TICKER: GROS) OF BRAINTREE, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On May 23, 1990, J.H. Shidler disclosed that they intended to solicit consents from other stockholders to remove the board and replace them with J.H. Shidler's nominees. On Oct. 8, 1990, J.H. Shidler delivered written consents from shareholders representing less than 50 percent of the outstanding shares, and therefore the current board members remain in office. On Oct. 1, 1990, HSIC distributed to its stockholders dividends in shares of common stock and whereby, Jay H. Shidler and Robert W. Holman Jr., received 722,540 and 389,060 shares, respectively, of HSIC common stock. These 1,313,600 shares are held in margin accounts by J.H. Shidler. Messrs. Shidler and Holman have an informal agreement to consult each other with a view towards acting in concert with respect to the voting, holding and disposition of their beneficially-owned common stock shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 6, 1990 through Oct. 1, 1990, Jay H. Shidler purchased 88,000 shares at a price of $3 to $3.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares and HSIC distribution of common stock dividend.

-30- 1428
#90285c0046 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

L.R. FRAME OWNS 79,750 SHARES (13.79%) OF UNITED NATIONAL BANCORPORATION OF CHAMBERSBURG, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 13, 1990 L.R. Frame purchased 6,431 shares at a price of $14.50 per share or aggregately, $93,249.50.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 470
#90285c0047 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 011

CAISSE DE DEPOT ET PLACEMENT DU QUEBEC OWNS 5,125,255 SHARES (10.05%) OF BOW VALLEY INDUSTRIES LTD (TICKER: BVI) OF CALGARY, ALBERTA, CANADA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 18 through Sept. 19, 1990, Caisse De Depot Et Placement Du Quebec purchased 50,000 shares at a price of $15.25 to $15.42 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment

-30- 558
#90285c0048 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Palette has extended its offer from Oct. 12 to Oct. 19, 1990.

-30- 241
#90285c0051 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:25 that trade in Peoples Bancorp of Worcester Inc. (NASDAQ: PEBW) has been halted pending news.

The last sale was 13.

-30- 328
#90285c0052 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:10 that trade in Americana Hotels & Realty Corp.(NASDAQ: AHR) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

-30- 359
#90285c0053 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:24 that trade in Peoples Bancorp of Worcester Inc. (NASDAQ: PEBW) has been resumed. The first sale was 13; unchanged from the halt, and down 1/4 point from the previous close.

-30- 389
#90285c0054 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Americana Hotels & Realty Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol AHR. Trading was resumed at 14:45.

-30- 373
#90285c0055 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The Senate Banking Committee, acting on a request by Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady, agreed today to provide an additional $57 billion to the Resolution Trust Corp. in fiscal 1991 for the savings and loan cleanup.

The bill, called the Resolution Trust Corporation Funding Act of 1990, provides funds to cover deposit insurance losses and refinance a series of thrift deals arranged by regulators in 1988, which RTC Chairman L. William Seidman previously testified could cost the government in excess of $69 billion over the life of the contracts.

The bill also retains the current note cap requiring the RTC to set aside a reserve equal to 15 percent of outstanding borrowings, and stipulates all funds represent on-budget financing.

Last year, the RTC received $50 billion for the S&L bailout, of which $30 billion was to be raised by the Resolution Funding Corp., an off-budget agency known as Refcorp. Roughly $23 billion of Refcorp bonds have been issued and the bill terminates Refcorp bond issuance at the end of the month, replacing

them with Treasury appropriations.

Brady had sent a letter dated Oct. 10 to the congressional banking panels warning the RTC, the agency responsible for handling the thrift crisis, would "virtually cease within the next two months unless additional funds are provided."

In his letter, Brady requested $40 billion to cover the losses in RTC case resolutions through the end of fiscal year 1991. The $57 billion which the Senate panel agreed to appropriate includes the $40 billion to pay for losses in RTC case resolutions and an extra $17 billion to act as a reserve in case the money is needed for temporary short-term borrowing.

As part of the budget reconcilation process, which requires the Senate Banking panel to come up with $1.5 billion in savings during the next fiscal year, the panel also passed four resolutions, including the FDIC Premium Act of 1990.

The major changes in current law are that the bill removes all restrictions on premiums the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. may charge member banks, permits the FDIC to set semiannual changes to the bank insurance fund's assessment rate as long as it gives two months notice, and authorizes the FDIC to borrow working capital through the Federal Financing Bank (FFB). The FFB gets its money directly from the Treasury, so its borrowing rates are cheaper than the FDIC would pay on its own debt.

In addition, an amendment by Sen. John Heinz was approved which the Pennsylvania Republican said would raise additional revenues by insisting when the FDIC goes to court against directors or officers of failed thrift institutions, the RTC will get priority in receiving restitution from the guilty parties.

"This will save $60 million to $125 million over five years," Heinz said.

Current law permits the FDIC to assess a 7.5 cent per $100 of deposit increase per year, capping at 32.5 cents per $100 of deposits. The FDIC has announced an increase in the bank insurance fund rate to 19.5 cents per $100 for 1991, the maximum allowable.

The law also calls for annual assessment rates and targets a minimum reserve ratio of $1.25 per $100 of deposits while the bill removes the cap to enable the FDIC to increase the target ratio if there is a risk of substantial losses to the insurance fund. The FDIC fund's ratio of reserves to deposits stood at an all-time low of 70 cents per $100 of deposits in 1989 and is expected to fall to 50 cents to 60 cents per $100 at the end of 1990.

-30- 3821
#90285c0056 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows All American Television Inc.(TICKER: ALLT) earned $255,146, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $18.48 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $635,051, or $0.33 per share, on revenues of $16.93 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 480

#90285c0057 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that Donald B. Zumfelde and Joseph D. Edwards have resigned as directors of Kaplan Industries Inc.(TICKER: KAPL).

At a special meeting of the company's board of directors held on Sept. 15, 1990, the remaining directors, Donald D. Kaplan, John S. Kaplan and David L. Kaplan, amended the company's bylaws to provide for six directors and elected Guido Tomassetti, Marcello Tomassetti and Newton Bickford to serve as directors of the company.

-30- 656

#90285c0059 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Playorena Inc.(TICKER: PLEX) lost $166,422, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $116,601 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $149,037, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $130,396 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 455

#90285c0060 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - International Testing Services Inc. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 1 million shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is expected to range between $7.00 and $10.00 per share.

Rauscher Pierce Refsnes Inc. is underwriting the offering.

The company, operating through its subsidiaries, primarily inspects welded connections in, and the structural integrity of, pipe and pipe components in refineries, petrochemical plants and pipelines, as well as fabricated metal products, such as pressure vessels and rail cars, using x-ray and gammay ray radiography.

The company's executive office is located at 2815 Lilac, Pasadena, Texas 77503 and its telephone number is (713) 487-8800.

-30- 958

#90285c0061 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - Fi-Tek V Inc. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 20 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and two redeemable common stock purchase warrants.

The initial public offering price is $0.02 per unit.

Wine Investments Inc. is underwriting the offering.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 12543-A East Pacific Circle, Aurora, Colorado 80014 and its telephone number is (303) 337-1033.

-30- 792

#90285c0062 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - Capital Acquisitions Inc. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 50,000 units.

Each unit consists of 20 shares of common stock and 40 common stock purchase warrants.

The initial public offering price is $10.00 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 2090 North Miami Ave., Miami, Florida 33137 and its telephone number is (305) 573-9000.

-30- 728

#90285c0063 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Energy Conversion Devices Inc.(TICKER: ENER) lost $8.37 million, or $1.36 per share, on revenues of $14.07 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.24 million, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $25.57 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 494
#90285c0064 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - F.S. CLEMMONS OF 1924 MICHIGAN AVE NE, ST PETERSBURG, FL 33703, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,600 SHARES OF BELMAC CORP. (TICKER: BEMC) THROUGH KEANE SECS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 9, 1990.

(BELMAC CORP. TEL: 813 577-1255)

-30- 397
#90285c0065 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.U. LEVEEN OF P O BOX 87, MANCHESTER, ME 04351, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,500 SHARES OF MINETTE INC. THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 9, 1990.

(MINETTE INC. TEL: 704 937-7611)

-30- 371
#90285c0067 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A.J.M. CLENET OF 600 C WARD DR, SANTA BARBARA, CA 93111, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,500,000 SHARES OF ASHA CORP.(TICKER: ASHA) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 9, 1990.

(ASHA CORP. TEL: 805 683-2331)

-30- 391
#90285c0068 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN R POPE OF C/O WILLIAM PRINTING, 1240 SPRING STREET N.W., ATLANTA, GA 30309, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF GRAPHIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GRPH) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(GRAPHIC INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 404 874-3327)

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#90285c0069 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RIGGINS THOMAS C TTEE OF 1706 WASHINGTON AVE, ST LOUIS, MO 63103, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CPI CORP. (TICKER: CPY) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(CPI CORP. TEL: 314 231-1575)

-30- 407
#90285c0070 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROWDEN TRUST OF 6510 ABRAMS RD, SUITE 410, DALLAS, TX 75231, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,062 SHARES OF AMTECH CORP. (TICKER: AMTC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(AMTECH CORP. TEL: 214 520-6900)

-30- 391
#90285c0071 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAROLD T MANGUM OF 3407 VILLAGE OAKS, KINGWOOD, TX 77339, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,334 SHARES OF MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MSCX) THROUGH D E WINE INVESTMENTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. TEL: 713 977-1312)

-30- 416
#90285c0072 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 455
#90285c0073 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BENJAMIN M ANIXTER OF 430 MOSELEY RD, HILLSBOROUGH, CA 94010, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,929 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 397
#90285c0075 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS ORDWAY OF P O BOX 6003, LONGMONT, CO 80501, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,001 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH R B MARICH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 369
#90285c0076 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOANNE SANTO OF 5 WESTCHESTER PLZ, ELMSFORD, NY 10523, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,100 SHARES OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI) THROUGH ROSENKRANTZ LYON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. TEL: 914 347-2220)

-30- 446
#90285c0077 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TAUB HENRY CHARITABLE TR #3 OF ONE ADP BLVD, ROSELAND, NJ 07068, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC. (TICKER: AUD) THROUGH SANFORD BERNSTEIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 04, 1990.

(AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC. TEL: 201 994-5000)

-30- 472
#90285c0078 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M ROBERT TERESSO OF 4027 NW CLAYMONT, KANSAS CITY, MO 64116, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF UNITOG CO. (TICKER: UTOG) THROUGH GEORGE K BAUM & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(UNITOG CO. TEL: 816 474-7000)

-30- 394
#90285c0079 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAND P MULFORD OF 2178 CAMINITO DR, BARCO DEL MAR, CA 92014, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,750 SHARES OF QUEST MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: QMED) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(QUEST MEDICAL INC. TEL: 214 387-2740)

-30- 420
#90285c0080 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD W MOORE OF 105 SOUTH WOODCREST AVE, 0, LONGPORT, NJ 08403, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,189 SHARES OF TOYS 'R' US INC. (TICKER: TOY) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(TOYS 'R' US INC. TEL: 201 262-7800)

-30- 418
#90285c0081 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM N PENNINGTON OF 441 W PLUMB LANE, S W PROFESSIONAL CENTER, RENO, NV 89509, HAS FILED TO SELL 232,357 SHARES OF CIRCUS CIRCUS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CIR) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(CIRCUS CIRCUS ENTERPRISES INC. TEL: 702 734-0410)

-30- 473
#90285c0083 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TANIS ELIZABETH TRUST OF 259 RADNOR CHESTER RD, STE 120, FIDELITY COURT, RADNOR, PA 19087, HAS FILED TO SELL 34,000 SHARES OF WORLD-WIDE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: WOTK) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(WORLD-WIDE TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 215 964-0652)

-30- 481
#90285c0084 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CORRINE MARKS OF 8 GILBERT RD WEST, GREAT NECK, NY 11024, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 418
#90285c0085 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FLYN GROPACK OF 201 EAST 83RD ST, NEW YORK, NY 10028, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 416
#90285c0086 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NAOMI STEIN OF 713 WILDWOOD RD, W HEMPSTEAD, NY 11552, HAS FILED TO SELL 231,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 415
#90285c0087 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALAN STEIN OF 2110 DUNWOODY HERITAGE DR, ATLANTA, GA 30350, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 420
#90285c0088 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LESLEY DECKER OF 231 BAIRD COURT, WOODBURY, NY 11797, HAS FILED TO SELL 231,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 415
#90285c0089 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R LARRY MORRISON OF 3501 GOODFELLOW LANE, AMARILLO, TX 79121, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7009)

-30- 404
#90285c0091 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOROTHY B DUBIN OF 875 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,500 SHARES OF WICAT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: WCAT) THROUGH NEW YORK FOREIGN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(WICAT SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 801 224-6400)

-30- 409
#90285c0092 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DESDEPOTSET CONSIGNATIONS CAISSE OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025 HAS FILED TO SELL 19,135 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 431
#90285c0093 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H R DEAN OF 669 N POST OAK LANE, 0, HOUSTON, TX 77024, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,437 SHARES OF HOUSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOU) THROUGH TEXAS FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(HOUSTON INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 713 629-3000)

-30- 408
#90285c0094 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERRY L LOVELL OF 5103 BEEMAN AVE, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA 91607, HAS FILED TO SELL 88,500 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 437
#90285c0095 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CABANCO OF 10933 N TORREY PINES RD, LA JOLLA, CA 92037, HAS FILED TO SELL 130,000 SHARES OF MARROW-TECH INC. (TICKER: MARO) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(MARROW-TECH INC. TEL: 619 450-5748)

-30- 402
#90285c0096 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLINTON H HOWARD OF 3917 FOX GLEN, IRVING, TX 75062, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,300 SHARES OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 214 541-2278)

-30- 443
#90285c0097 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONA J POPE OF 1170 LEYDEN ST, DENVER, CO 80220, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,000 SHARES OF CYBERMEDIC INC. (TICKER: CMED) THROUGH BOETTCHER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(CYBERMEDIC INC. TEL: 303 666-9253)

-30- 390
#90285c0099 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN I BLOOMBERG OF P O BOX 1915, PARK CITY, UT 84060, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,900 SHARES OF BALLARD MEDICAL PRODUCT (TICKER: BMED) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(BALLARD MEDICAL PRODUCT TEL: 801 566-4693)

-30- 434
#90285c0100 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LENNY M TARGON OF 4058 MARINER CIRCLE, 0, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91361, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 471
#90285c0101 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STANLEY M FRIDSTEIN OF 3801 CHARTHOUSE CIRCLE, 0, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91361, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 482
#90285c0102 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $21.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90285c0103 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90285c0104 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $21.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90285c0105 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90285c0107 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 188,397.

-30- 372
#90285c0108 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, J. LIPPS, DIR. OF COUNTY BANCORP SOLD 57,142 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,028.

-30- 284
#90285c0109 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, E.R. PULS, CHAIRMAN OF COUNTY BANCORP BOUGHT 28,571 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,271.

-30- 296
#90285c0110 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, V.H. PULS, PRES. OF COUNTY BANCORP BOUGHT 28,571 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,751.

-30- 290
#90285c0111 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, D.R. HEAD, BEN. OWNER OF HOSPITALITY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: HSPC) BOUGHT 333,333 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 546,850.

-30- 350
#90285c0112 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, C.J. HOFFMANN III, BEN. OWNER OF HOSPITALITY CAPITAL CORP.(TICKER: HSPC) BOUGHT 333,333 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 892,449.

-30- 361
#90285c0113 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, R.R. MILLER, SHAREHOLDER OF HOSPITALITY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: HSPC) BOUGHT 333,334 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,070,942.

-30- 358
#90285c0115 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, N.H. NISSEN III, DIR. OF SILCO INVESTORS CORP. BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90285c0116 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, N.H. NISSEN III, DIR. OF SILCO INVESTORS CORP. BOUGHT

1,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,

-30- 297
#90285c0117 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, J.M. WILKINS, CHAIRMAN OF SILCO INVESTORS CORP. BOUGHT 2,359 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,965.

-30- 306
#90285c0118 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, J.F. BRADWAY JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VHC LTD.(TICKER: VHCL) BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 690,215.

-30- 343
#90285c0119 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, P.B. FISH, BEN. OWNER OF MERLIN MINING CO. (TICKER: MMCO), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $0.24 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,550,000.

-30- 321
#90285c0120 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, C.L. BECKEN, VP OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS), SOLD 3,650 CLASS A SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,349.

-30- 337
#90285c0121 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, B.M. REINHARDT, VP OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS), SOLD 39,999 CLASS A SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90285c0123 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, J.M. HUNTSMAN, DIR. OF THIOKOL CORP (TICKER: TKC) BOUGHT 21,800 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90285c0124 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, J.M, HUNTSMAN, DIR. OF THIOKOL CORP (TICKER: TKC) BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90285c0125 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, J.M. HUNTSMAN, DIR. OF THIOKOL CORP (TICKER: TKC) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90285c0126 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, J.M. HUNTSMAN, DIR. OF THIOKOL CORP BOUGHT (TICKER: TKC) 2,200 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90285c0127 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, J.M. HUNTSMAN, DIR. OF THIOKOL CORP (TICKER: TKC) BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 207,100.

-30- 302
#90285c0128 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PAUL L ZAFFARONI, OFFICER OF ACXIOM CORP. (TICKER: ACXM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 303
#90285c0129 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JOHN CROWE JR, OFFICER OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,676.

-30- 304
#90285c0131 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, RAYMOND L NELSON JR, CHAIRMAN OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90285c0132 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, RAYMOND L NELSON JR, CHAIRMAN OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90285c0133 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, RAYMOND L NELSON JR, CHAIRMAN OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90285c0134 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, RAYMOND L NELSON JR, CHAIRMAN OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 951,356.

-30- 319
#90285c0135 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CARL E WARDEN, DIR. OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 264

#90285c0136 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, CARL E WARDEN, DIR. OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90285c0137 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PATRICK G RYAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AON CORP. (TICKER: AOC), BOUGHT 65,000 SHARES AT $29.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0139 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $17.64 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90285c0140 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $17.89 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90285c0141 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 33,500 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90285c0142 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 277

#90285c0143 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 53,500 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90285c0144 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $19.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90285c0145 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90285c0147 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, RODGER B DOWDELL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 356
#90285c0148 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90285c0149 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90285c0150 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90285c0151 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90285c0152 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90285c0153 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90285c0155 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90285c0156 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90285c0157 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,829.

-30- 354
#90285c0158 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JAMES H MAYNARD, DIR. OF BB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BBTF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90285c0159 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JAMES H MAYNARD, DIR. OF BB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BBTF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90285c0160 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JAMES H MAYNARD, DIR. OF BB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BBTF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90285c0161 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES H MAYNARD, DIR. OF BB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BBTF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90285c0163 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JAMES H MAYNARD, DIR. OF BB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BBTF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90285c0164 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RICHARD E SCHMELZ, DIR. OF BANCORP NEW JERSEY INC. (TICKER: BCNJ), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,091.

-30- 325
#90285c0165 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ANTHONY J BRUNO, PRES. OF BIG B INC. (TICKER: BIGB), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $6.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 411,452.

-30- 300
#90285c0166 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JOSEPH S BRUNO, CHAIRMAN OF BIG B INC. (TICKER: BIGB), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $7.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90285c0167 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JOSEPH S BRUNO, CHAIRMAN OF BIG B INC. (TICKER: BIGB), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $7.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 314,378.

-30- 305
#90285c0168 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, JAMES P GORTER, DIR. OF BAKER, FENTRESS & CO. (TICKER: BKF), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90285c0169 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, JAMES P GORTER, DIR. OF BAKER, FENTRESS & CO. (TICKER: BKF), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO

369,542.

-30- 318
#90285c0171 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,370,225.

-30- 325
#90285c0172 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90285c0173 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,214,225.

-30- 326
#90285c0174 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90285c0175 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,964,100.

-30- 333
#90285c0176 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90285c0177 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90285c0179 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90285c0180 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90285c0181 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90285c0182 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90285c0183 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90285c0184 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,342,920.

-30- 365
#90285c0185 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT H MARTINSEN, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 329
#90285c0187 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DAVID T KOLLAT, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED STORES CORP. (TICKER: CNS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 318
#90285c0188 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, GOLDEN OIL CO, BEN. OWNER OF COBB RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: COBB), BOUGHT 300,000 SHARES AT $0.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90285c0189 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, GOLDEN OIL CO, BEN. OWNER OF COBB RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: COBB), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90285c0190 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, GOLDEN OIL CO, BEN. OWNER OF COBB RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: COBB), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $0.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90285c0191 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, GOLDEN OIL CO, BEN. OWNER OF COBB RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: COBB), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90285c0192 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, GOLDEN OIL CO, BEN. OWNER OF COBB RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: COBB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,821,359.

-30- 334
#90285c0193 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.67 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90285c0195 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ERIC A BENHAMOU, PRES. OF 3COM CORP. (TICKER: COMS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90285c0196 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ROBERT FINOCCHO JR, VP OF 3COM CORP. (TICKER: COMS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90285c0197 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, BRENDA E EDGERTON, SHAREHOLDER OF CAMPBELL SOUP CO. (TICKER: CPB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $50.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 324
#90285c0198 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, PAUL CHARLES ZAMECNIK, DIR. OF COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: CRIC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,000.

-30- 342
#90285c0199 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, ROBERT L RAND, SHAREHOLDER OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,985.

-30- 342
#90285c0200 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, DONALD J WALKER, VP OF COMSHARE INC. (TICKER: CSRE), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $40.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,903.

-30- 298
#90285c0201 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MARVIN W MARCUS, CHAIRMAN OF CUTCO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CUTC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,112.

-30- 319
#90285c0203 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, EDWARD B DUPONT, DIR. OF DUPONT (E.I.) DE NEMOURS & CO. (TICKER: DD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90285c0204 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, MICHAEL S DELL, CHAIRMAN OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90285c0205 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MICHAEL S DELL, CHAIRMAN OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90285c0206 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, MICHAEL S DELL, CHAIRMAN OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL), SOLD 190,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,676,157.

-30- 326
#90285c0207 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, E B ROBINSON JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DEPOSIT GUARANTY CORP. (TICKER: DEPS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,568.

-30- 348
#90285c0208 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, GEORGE P SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90285c0209 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, GEORGE P SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90285c0211 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, GEORGE P SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90285c0212 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JULIAN M SMERLING, DIR. OF DREYFUS CORP. (TICKER: DRY), SOLD 5,298 SHARES AT $18.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90285c0213 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1990, LYNN W CONINE, OFFICER OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 12,250 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,250.

-30- 341
#90285c0214 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1990, FIELDING BARON CRAFT, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 12,251 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,251.

-30- 366
#90285c0215 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1990, ROBERT L GERRY III, VP OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 24,496 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 24,496.

-30- 335
#90285c0216 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1990, JOHN J LENDRUM III, VP OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 24,496 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,496.

-30- 337
#90285c0217 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1990, KANDACE G LONGORIA, VP OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 24,496 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,496.

-30- 338
#90285c0219 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1990, ROLAND E SLEDGE, VP OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 24,496 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,496.

-30- 332
#90285c0220 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1990, J MICHAEL TISSUE, VP OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 24,496 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,496.

-30- 334
#90285c0221 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1990, JAMES M VANDERHIDER, VP OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 24,496 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,496.

-30- 342
#90285c0222 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, JOHN B WALKER, PRES. OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 134,496.

-30- 338
#90285c0223 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, A LEE ZUKER, DIV. OFFICER OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 310
#90285c0224 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HARRY L THURMON, OFFICER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,800.

-30- 312
#90285c0225 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, INSTITUTIONAL VENTURE PART III, BEN. OWNER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90285c0227 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ALEXANDER P WADDELL IV, VP OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,417.

-30- 330
#90285c0228 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, VICTOR F CONDELLO, OFFICER OF FIRST EMPIRE STATE CORP.

(TICKER: FES), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $53.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 334
#90285c0229 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JAMES D MORISSEY JR, DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,980.

-30- 346
#90285c0230 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, JOHN F NICKOLL, PRES. OF THE FOOTHILL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FGI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $3.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 419,113.

-30- 321
#90285c0231 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ROBERT G JONES, DIR. OF SANIFILL INC. (TICKER: FIL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90285c0232 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ALFRED C WARRINGTON IV, CHAIRMAN OF SANIFILL INC. (TICKER: FIL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,100.

-30- 320
#90285c0233 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ALFRED C WARRINGTON IV, CHAIRMAN OF SANIFILL INC. (TICKER: FIL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,300.

-30- 320
#90285c0235 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90285c0236 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90285c0237 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 115,000 SHARES AT $5.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 645,291.

-30- 353
#90285c0238 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JOHN C TUTEN JR, DIR. OF GUARANTY BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: GBNC), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90285c0239 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 29, 1990, JOHN C TUTEN JR, DIR. OF GUARANTY BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: GBNC), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 82,500.

-30- 328
#90285c0240 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES R SIMPSON, OFFICER OF GENERAL HOST CORP. (TICKER: GH), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 314
#90285c0241 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ARTHUR P SENSENIG, PRES. OF GREASE MONKEY HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: GMHC), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,862,672.

-30- 343
#90285c0243 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, RALPH T MCELVENNY JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GOLDEN OIL CO. (DEL) (TICKER: GOCO), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90285c0244 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, RALPH T MCELVENNY JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GOLDEN OIL CO. (DEL) (TICKER: GOCO), BOUGHT 37,658 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90285c0245 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, RALPH T MCELVENNY JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GOLDEN OIL CO. (DEL) (TICKER: GOCO), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90285c0246 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES V ODONNELL, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $23.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90285c0247 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES V ODONNELL, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD

7,000 SHARES AT $22.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90285c0248 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES V ODONNELL, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90285c0249 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES V ODONNELL, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $23.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90285c0251 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES V ODONNELL, VP OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 557,158.

-30- 293
#90285c0252 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, RONALD H GALOWICH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HEALTHCARE COMPARE CORP. (TICKER: HCCC), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 138,850.

-30- 356
#90285c0253 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DONALD C CLARK, CHAIRMAN OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 16,801 SHARES AT $28.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,156.

-30- 334
#90285c0254 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JAMES H STONE, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,317.

-30- 297
#90285c0255 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JOEL WEINSTEIN, OFFICER OF HOLOGIC INC. (TICKER: HOLX), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 625.

-30- 305
#90285c0256 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, RICHARD B SOLUM, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HUTCHINSON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: HTCH), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,500.

-30- 355
#90285c0257 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, LEWIS E PLATT, VP OF HEWLETT-PACKARD CO. (TICKER: HWP), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,770.

-30- 307
#90285c0259 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ROBERT L FROME, OFFICER OF UNITED CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: ICU), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90285c0260 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ROBERT L FROME, OFFICER OF UNITED CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: ICU), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90285c0261 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ROBERT L FROME, OFFICER OF UNITED CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: ICU), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 318
#90285c0262 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90285c0263 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90285c0264 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90285c0265 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 11,801 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90285c0267 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 322

#90285c0268 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90285c0269 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 945 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90285c0270 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,347,652.

-30- 363
#90285c0271 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90285c0272 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90285c0273 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90285c0275 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,230 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90285c0276 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90285c0277 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90285c0278 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 945 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90285c0279 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,404,177.

-30- 357
#90285c0280 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, HENLEY GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ITEL CORP. (TICKER: ITL), SOLD 4,675,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,025,000.

-30- 322
#90285c0281 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 36,769 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90285c0283 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 42,479 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90285c0284 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 31,142 SHARES AT $41.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90285c0285 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 17,298 SHARES AT $41.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90285c0286 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 26,000 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90285c0287 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 26,209 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90285c0288 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 19,327 SHARES AT $41.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,353,046.

-30- 373
#90285c0289 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 792,980.

-30- 366
#90285c0291 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 41,300 SHARES AT $21.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90285c0292 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $22.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90285c0293 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 6,307 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90285c0294 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $21.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90285c0295 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 24,035 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90285c0296 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 23,300 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,551,214.

-30- 336
#90285c0297 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GEORGE J BILEX, OFFICER OF JUNO LIGHTING INC. (TICKER: JUNO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 580.

-30- 310
#90285c0299 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, KEY TRONICS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF KEY TRONIC CORP. (TICKER: KTCC), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $4.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90285c0300 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, KEY TRONICS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF KEY TRONIC CORP. (TICKER: KTCC), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90285c0301 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, KEY TRONICS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF KEY TRONIC CORP.
(TICKER: KTCC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90285c0302 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, KEY TRONICS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF KEY TRONIC CORP.
(TICKER: KTCC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90285c0303 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, KEY TRONICS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF KEY TRONIC CORP.
(TICKER: KTCC), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $4.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90285c0304 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, KEY TRONICS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF KEY TRONIC CORP.
(TICKER: KTCC), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90285c0305 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, KEY TRONICS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF KEY TRONIC CORP.
(TICKER: KTCC), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $4.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90285c0307 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, R H MARTIN PLOWDEN, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD.
(TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS
TO 1,000.

-30- 329
#90285c0308 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $9.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90285c0309 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90285c0310 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90285c0311 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90285c0312 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,800.

-30- 325
#90285c0313 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ROBERT B SMITH JR, DIR. OF LSB BANCSHARES INC. (NC) (TICKER: LXBK), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,361.

-30- 327
#90285c0315 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO, BEN. OWNER OF LYONDELL PETROCHEMICAL CO. (TICKER: LYO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,971,400.

-30- 362
#90285c0316 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JAMES R DUNCAN, CHAIRMAN OF MILASTAR CORP. (TICKER: MILA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 575,615.

-30- 315
#90285c0317 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0318 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $30.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0319 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0320 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0321 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0323 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $31.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0324 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $31.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0325 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $32.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0326 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $32.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0327 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $31.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0328 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 39,900 SHARES AT $32.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0329 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0331 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $32.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0332 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 6,300 SHARES AT $32.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0333 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0334 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 12,600 SHARES AT $32.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0335 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0336 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $32.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90285c0337 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $31.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0339 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0340 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 6,600 SHARES AT $32.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0341 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0342 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $32.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0343 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0344 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 7,600 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0345 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 7,400 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0347 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $31.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0348 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $31.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0349 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $31.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0350 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $30.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0351 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 51,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0352 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 9,800 SHARES AT $30.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0353 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0355 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0356 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 11,500 SHARES AT $30.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0357 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $31.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90285c0358 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 38,600 SHARES AT $31.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0359 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 11,700 SHARES AT $31.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0360 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $32.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0361 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 6,700 SHARES AT $32.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0363 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 44,700 SHARES AT $32.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0364 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 40,400 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0365 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0366 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $32.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90285c0367 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 10,505 SHARES AT $32.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90285c0368 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, GEORGE J LABRECHE JR, PRES. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 396 SHARES AT $9.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90285c0369 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, GEORGE J LABRECHE JR, PRES. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,614.

-30- 333
#90285c0371 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ALBERT D KERN, VP OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,485.

-30- 292
#90285c0372 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, LEO KIM, VP OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 2,632 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 247
#90285c0373 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, BILL M KNIGHT, VP OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,037.

-30- 330
#90285c0374 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0375 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0376 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0377 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0379 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0380 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0381 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 207 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0382 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0383 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0384 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0385 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0387 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 215 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0388 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0389 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0390 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0391 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0392 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90285c0393 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,567,867.

-30- 374
#90285c0395 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ROY H PARK, CHAIRMAN OF PARK COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: PARC), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90285c0396 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROY H PARK, CHAIRMAN OF PARK COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: PARC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 325
#90285c0397 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, GENE G ELAM, SHAREHOLDER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 330
#90285c0398 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PETER W NAUERT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PIONEER FINANCIAL SVCS INC. (TICKER: PFS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90285c0399 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PETER W NAUERT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PIONEER FINANCIAL SVCS INC. (TICKER: PFS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 357
#90285c0400 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DANIEL R LEWIS, OFFICER OF PROGRESSIVE CORP.(OH) (TICKER: PGR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 154,393.

-30- 325
#90285c0401 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MICHAEL E PULITZER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PULITZER PUBLISHING CO. (TICKER: PLTZ), BOUGHT 7,004 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,753,543.

-30- 386
#90285c0403 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DOUGLAS D DANFORTH, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 320
#90285c0404 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, GARY N KOCHER, SHAREHOLDER OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), SOLD 11,351 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,444.

-30- 326
#90285c0405 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BCE INC, BEN. OWNER OF QUEBECOR INC. (TICKER: PQB), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90285c0406 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, BCE INC, BEN. OWNER OF QUEBECOR INC. (TICKER: PQB), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,061,500.

-30- 305
#90285c0407 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, ROBERT S BRIGGS, OFFICER OF PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP. (TICKER: PROT), BOUGHT 217 SHARES AT $11.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,448.

-30- 323
#90285c0408 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, EDGAR S BROWER, CHAIRMAN OF PACIFIC SCIENTIFIC CO. (TICKER: PSX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,906.

-30- 328
#90285c0409 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DOUGLAS D FOCKLER, VP OF PACIFIC SCIENTIFIC CO. (TICKER: PSX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90285c0411 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, RICHARD V PLATT, VP OF PACIFIC SCIENTIFIC CO. (TICKER: PSX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90285c0412 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JAMES W BORING, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CASH AMERICA INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: PWN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 352
#90285c0413 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, THOMAS C THOMPSON, PRES. OF QUEST MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: QMED), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 283,017.

-30- 322
#90285c0414 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHN F LINK JR, VP OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 300
#90285c0415 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, REGINALD B NEWMAN II, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RAND CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: RAND), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 151,544.

-30- 350
#90285c0416 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, J EDWARD HALL, VP OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90285c0417 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, J EDWARD HALL, VP OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,317.

-30- 317
#90285c0419 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, OBREN B GERICH, OFFICER OF STORAGE EQUITIES INC. (TICKER: SEQ), BOUGHT 6,800 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90285c0420 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, OBREN B GERICH, OFFICER OF STORAGE EQUITIES INC. (TICKER: SEQ), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 378,360.

-30- 327
#90285c0421 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, DANNY M SEABOURN, OFFICER OF SERVICE FRACTURING CO. (TICKER: SERF), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250.

-30- 315
#90285c0422 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CHARLES M SPEAR, CHAIRMAN OF SPEAR FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SFNS), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90285c0423 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CHARLES M SPEAR, CHAIRMAN OF SPEAR FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SFNS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90285c0424 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, EDWARD R MCCRACKEN, PRES. OF SILICON GRAPHICS INC. (TICKER: SGI), SOLD 34,000 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,326.

-30- 329
#90285c0425 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 20, 1989, WILLIAM V MUSE, DIR. OF SCHULMAN (A.) INC. (TICKER: SHLM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $34.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 303
#90285c0427 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90285c0428 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90285c0429 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90285c0430 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90285c0431 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90285c0432 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90285c0433 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90285c0435 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90285c0436 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90285c0437 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90285c0438 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 382,132.

-30- 339
#90285c0439 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), BOUGHT 26,500 SHARES AT $2.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90285c0440 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), BOUGHT 36,500 SHARES AT $3.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,000.

-30- 324
#90285c0441 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, FS SIGNAL ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 13,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90285c0443 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, FS SIGNAL ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90285c0444 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, FS SIGNAL ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 374,900.

-30- 341
#90285c0445 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, MARSHALL L SCHIELD, PRES. OF SCHIELD MANAGEMENT CO. (TICKER: SMCD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,250.

-30- 333
#90285c0446 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WILBUR L SCHIELD, DIR. OF SCHIELD MANAGEMENT CO. (TICKER: SMCD), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 254,000.

-30- 329
#90285c0447 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, EDWARD J OKAY, DIR. OF SOCIETY FOR SAVINGS BANCORP.

(TICKER: SOCS), BOUGHT 80,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 910,500.

-30- 337
#90285c0448 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90285c0449 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90285c0451 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 7,800 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90285c0452 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90285c0453 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 43,200 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90285c0454 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 41,400 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90285c0455 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 28,300 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 978,500.

-30- 340
#90285c0456 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 18,200 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 978,500.

-30- 340
#90285c0457 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, STANDEX INTL CORP ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF STANDEX INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SXI), SOLD 45,000 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,094,136.

-30- 352
#90285c0459 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, TOM LONG, VP OF TEKTRONIX INC. (TICKER: TEK), BOUGHT 123 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,041.

-30- 284
#90285c0460 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, EDWARD J BERNACKI, VP OF TENNECO INC. (TICKER: TGT), SOLD 480 SHARES AT $59.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,560.

-30- 294

#90285c0461 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 26, 1988, EDWARD J BERNACKI, VP OF TENNECO INC. (TICKER: TGT), SOLD 208 SHARES AT $45.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90285c0462 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, TL ACQUISITION INC, BEN. OWNER OF LAMA (TONY) CO. (TICKER: TLAM), BOUGHT 1,885,751 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,885,751.

-30- 338
#90285c0463 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, TRW STOCK SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 10,900 SHARES AT $38.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90285c0464 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, TRW STOCK SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $38.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90285c0465 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, TRW STOCK SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 15,500 SHARES AT $38.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90285c0467 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, TRW STOCK SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 26,648 SHARES AT $38.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90285c0468 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JAMES R SEAMAN, VP OF TVX BROADCAST GROUP INC. (TICKER: TVXG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,304.

-30- 321
#90285c0469 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, I UNIVERSAL EPST T, BEN. OWNER OF TEXAS INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: TXN), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $27.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90285c0470 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, I UNIVERSAL EPST T, BEN. OWNER OF TEXAS INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: TXN), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $27.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90285c0471 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, I UNIVERSAL EPST T, BEN. OWNER OF TEXAS INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: TXN), BOUGHT 99,633 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90285c0472 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, RICHARD F CLEMENT JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90285c0473 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, RICHARD F CLEMENT JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $8.11 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 358,172.

-30- 354
#90285c0475 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, MILTON W WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF U.S. HEALTHCARE INC. (TICKER: USHC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90285c0476 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, MILTON W WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF U.S. HEALTHCARE INC. (TICKER: USHC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90285c0477 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, MILTON W WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF U.S. HEALTHCARE INC. (TICKER: USHC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 326
#90285c0478 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, PHILIP G BARACH, CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S. SHOE CORP. (TICKER: USR), SOLD 2,524 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90285c0479 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, PHILIP G BARACH, CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S. SHOE CORP. (TICKER: USR), SOLD 34,400 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90285c0480 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, PHILIP G BARACH, CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S. SHOE CORP.

(TICKER: USR), SOLD 2,823 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90285c0481 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, PHILIP G BARACH, CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S. SHOE CORP. (TICKER: USR), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 155,116.

-30- 319
#90285c0483 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HARRY W DANKERS JR, OFFICER OF VIKING OFFICE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: VKNG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90285c0484 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HARRY W DANKERS JR, OFFICER OF VIKING OFFICE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: VKNG), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90285c0485 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, HARRY W DANKERS JR, OFFICER OF VIKING OFFICE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: VKNG), SOLD 46,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90285c0486 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, DOUGLAS J BARTEK, VP OF VLSI TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: VLSI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90285c0487 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, DOUGLAS J BARTEK, VP OF VLSI TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: VLSI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,221.

-30- 315
#90285c0488 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, STAVELEY INC, BEN. OWNER OF WEIGH-TRONIX INC. (TICKER: WGHT), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,523,731.

-30- 324
#90285c0489 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, CLARENCE L DELLIO, OFFICER OF XOMA CORP. (TICKER: XOMA), SOLD 10,533 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 303
#90285c0491 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 378,359 SHARES (5.61%) OF WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE INC (TICKER: WWW) OF ROCKFORD, MI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. sold 75,200 shares from Aug. 3 to Oct. 1, 1990 for $7.93 to $10.63 per share.

-30- 419
#90285c0492 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 21, 1990, as a result of Kaneb Services Inc.(TICKER: KAB) amending

its certificate of incorporation, each outstanding share of class A preferred stock was reclassified into ten shares of preferred stock, thus causing Smith Factors Pension Plan & Trust U/A/D/1/1/82 to cease to own any class A preferred shares. Since holders of reclassified preferred stock do not have the right to elect directors, the reclassified shares are not subject to reporting requirements.

-30- 693
#90285c0494 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 19

ANNOUNCEMENT:

NII (TICKER: NII) is filing a revised solicitation agreement to provide that payments to firms with respect to consents received shall only be forwarded by such firms to a qualified broker or dealer of such firm if they represent that he or she has disclosed to each of his or her clients any substantial interest that he, she or such firm has in Permian or any of its affiliates.

-30- 600
#90285c0495 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC OF MILWAUKEE, WI OWNS 3,069,200 SHARES (17.20%) OF MEASUREX CORP (TICKER: MX) OF CUPERTINO, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Harnischfeger Industries Inc. purchased 258,200 shares from Oct. 9-11, 1990 for $15.50 to $16.38 per share.

-30- 468
#90285c0496 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY UST INC OF GREENWICH, CT OWNS 3,100,000 SHARES (55.40%) OF CAMERA PLATFORMS INTL INC (TICKER: CMPL) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 9, 1990, UST Inc. approved in principal a preliminary proposal from Camera Platforms International Inc. to convert the outstanding balance on a loan agreement dated July 24, 1987 into common shares. The $11,479,427 balance would be converted into 8,830,328 shares. After giving effect to the conversion, and the termination of an option to purchase 2 million shares from Camera Platforms International Inc., UST Inc. would hold 9,430,328 shares, representing 76 percent of the common stock. In connection with its preliminary proposal, Camera Platforms International Inc.'s board has formed a special committee of the four members of the seven member board not designated by UST Inc.

-30- 1063
#90285c0497 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 485,050 SHARES (9.22%) OF KASLER CORP (TICKER: KASL) OF HIGHLAND, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 25, 1990 through Oct. 4, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 97,550 shares at a price of $11.94 to $12.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 461
#90285c0498 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER:

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 2,111,370 SHARES (9.91%) OF TAMBRANDS INC (TICKER: TMB) OF LAKE SUCCESS, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 3, 1990 through Oct. 2, 1990, FMR Corp. have purchased 18,200 shares

at a price of $77.88 to $84.42 per share and have sold 316,750 shares at a price of $75.81 to $86.80 per share.

PURPOSE:

Transactions of shares.

-30- 551
#90285c0500 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

P. KRILE OWNS 207,500 SHARES (5.00%) OF GEORESOURCES INC (TICKER: GEOI).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 332
#90285c0501 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - SunGroup Inc.(TICKER: SUNN) of Nashville, Tenn., and its wholly owned SunGroup Broadcasting of Alabama Inc. unit, have sold all of the broadcasting assets and license of WERC-AM radio station in Birmingham, Ala., to Ameron Broadcasting Inc., for $4.2 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 12, 1990.

-30- 578
#90285c0502 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - DNA Capital Funding, a wholly owned subsidiary of Warwick, R.I.-based Applied DNA Systems Inc.(TICKER: ADNA), sold its interest in M.B. Television Leasing Inc. to Maurice Barg, MBTV's president and CEO, for $480,000.

Just before the sale, DNA Capital had converted its $827,886 loan to MBTV into 50 common shares, raising its stake in the company to 86.7 percent from 80 percent, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Before the conversion of the loan, Barg had owned the other 20 percent of MBTV.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 12, 1990.

-30- 802
#90285c0503 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - Scottsdale, Ariz.-based Pantheon Industries Inc.(TICKER: PNTH) has sold its film library to Continental Group Investments Inc. for $1.67 million, payable with a seven-year debenture, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 12, 1990.

-30- 501
#90285c0504 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 27

GROUP LED BY FIRST CITY FINANCIAL CORP LTD OWNS 1,576,000 SHARES (24.82%) OF H.H. ROBERTSON CO (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 9, 1990, First City Trust Co. purchased from Fril Trading Inc. 660,780 shares at a price of $13.06, aggregately $8,627,050; FCTC in turn transferred to First City Financial all 660,780 shares at a price of $13.06, aggregately; and on the same date, First City Financial transferred to First City Securities Ltd. all 660,780 shares in exchange for shares of common stock of FC Securities (the exact number of which shall be determined at a later date).

-30- 819
#90285c0505 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 21

GROUP LED BY A.B. EDELMAN OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 2,104,310 SHARES (48.30%) OF CANAL CAPITAL CORP (TICKER: COW) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include options on shares totaling 272,500. Messrs. French and Kail have been granted options to purchase an additional 15,000 and 10,000 shares of common stock exercisable in February 1991 and March 1991, respectively, and, accordingly, such shares are not included in the number of shares reported as being owned by each. Martin Goldberg has

ceased to be an executive officer of Datapoint.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 17, 1990 through Oct. 11, 1990, A.B. Edelman purchased 90,600 shares at a price of $1.25 to $1.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 963
#90285c0506 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

PENN CENTRAL CORP OF CINCINNATI, OH OWNS 1,960,600 SHARES (16.30%) OF BUCKEYE PARTNERS L P (TICKER: BPL).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 21 through Oct. 10, 1990, Penn Central Corp. purchased 122,700 LP units at a price of $24.75 to $26.11 per share.

-30- 459
#90285c0508 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

D.F. MOOREHEAD JR OWNS 1,260,139 SHARES (44.90%) OF USA WASTE SERVICES INC (TICKER: USAS) OF NORMAN, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On June 20, 1990, D.F. Moorehead Jr. received 789,420 USA Waste Services Inc.'s shares and the beneficially-owned shares include receipt of 470,719 additional shares on or before 8/15/91. Mr. Moorehead has recently resigned his positions with Mid-American Waste System and now intends to become the chairman of the board and chief executive officer of USA Waste Services Inc. Upon the acquisition of the shares by Moorehead, two of the five directors and the president of USA resigned and a new president, Terry W. Patrick, was elected. It is anticipated that Moorehead will be elected to one of the two board vacancies and elected chairman. The remaining board vacancy is not anticipated to be filled until the next annual shareholders' meeting.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1125
#90285c0509 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY MIM HOLDINGS LTD OWNS 11,597,300 SHARES (34.20%) OF GRANGES INC (TICKER: GXL) OF VANCOUVER, CANADA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 4 through Sept. 27, 1990, MIM Holdings LTD purchased 597,300 shares at a price of $1.25 to $1.55 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment to increase ownership.

-30- 501
#90285c0510 10/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY SANTA CRUZ RESOURCES INC OWNS 963,000 SHARES (5.60%) OF UNION PLANTERS CORP (TICKER: UPC).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In transactions on Oct. 3, 1990 and Oct. 4, 1990, and to be completed on Oct. 12, 1990, SCR sold a total of 2,000,000 shares for an aggregate purchase price of $17,170,000. SCR will also be entitled to receive additional cash consideration if during the six-month period following Oct. 4, 1990, the company is merged or acquired or enters an agreement to be merged. The company also agreed to waive and release SCR and SRI from all restrictions on SCR's ability to vote and/or transfer its remaining 963,000 shares of common stock 181 days following Oct. 4, 1990, subject to approval of the board of directors of the federal reserve system.

-30- 983

#90285d1330 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) - Saudi Arabia plans to raise oil production to 8 million barrels a day by the end of the year and has set a target of 10 million barrels a day production for 1995, The Washington Post reported Friday.

Citing senior officials of Saudi Aramco, the Post said the decision to raise production was aimed at stabilizing oil prices and expanding Saudi Arabia's customer base.

Saudi Arabia was producing 5.3 million barrels of oil a day before Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2, but has sinced boosted production to its current level of 7.7 million barrels a day, the Post said.

Oil workers in Saudi Arabia have been put on overtime to make up for the 4.35 million barrel a day supply shortfall caused by the loss of Kuwaiti and Iraqi oil production, the Post said.

Saudi Aramco officials said the effort involved reactivating idle wells, pipelines, pumping stations and oil-gas separators and modifying some refineries to process different mixtures of oil.

Nasr Ajmi, the state oil company's executive vice president, said Saudi oil production would up to 8 million barrels a day by the end of the year and to 8.5 million barrels a day or better by mid-1991.

"We have every reason to believe we can get to that level and sustain it," he was quoted as saying.

At 40 dollars a barrel, a 2 million barrel a day production increase would bring in an additional 80 million dollars a day in revenues, which would help pay for the military showdown against Iraq.

But Saudi planners also expressed concern that rising oil prices could prompt a shift to alternative forms of energy, putting the country's oil based economy at risk.

-30- 1864

#90285d1370 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (OCT. 12) - Five Greenpeace demonstrators chained themselves to the gates of the Soviet consulate here Friday to protest against Moscow's arrest of a Greenpeace crew, including one Australian, after an anti-nuclear protest.

Greenpeace spokeswoman Michelle Grosvenor said that about 30 protesters had demanded that the Soviet authorities allow radio contact to be resumed with the crew of the vessel MV Greenpeace.

Brad Farmer, 31, of Brisbane, was aboard the ship seized by the KGB, the

Soviet security service, on October 8 while protesting against planned tests of nuclear weapons on the Soviet archipelago of Novaya Zemlya.

The police snapped the chains and freed the protesters but made no arrests, Ms. Grosvenor said.

"We are still maintaining a presence there until we have spoken directly one way or another with the people on board," she added.

The protest coincided with similar demonstrations in Copenhagen, Berlin and Wellington by the environmental activist organisation, she said.

The protestors erected a large banner outside the consulate which read: "Stop testing - the world's patience. Greenpeace."

-30- 1341

#90285d1480 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TORONTO (OCT. 12) - The director general of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) stressed the need to make progress in negotiations leading up to a ministerial meeting in Brussels in December.

"Our deadline is not December, but several weeks before. From this week onward we must consider ourselves to be de facto in Brussels," Arthur Dunkel, the GATT director general, said in a speech Thursday to the Conference Board of Canada, a business-oriented think tank.

The threat of failure already hovers over the eighth cycle of the GATT negotiations, known as the Uruguay Round because they began in Punta del Este in 1986. Key players, notably the United States and the European Community (EEC), have persistent differences over agricultural subsidies. Washington believes the subsidy cuts proposed by the EEC are insufficient.

On this issue, Mr. Dunkel was very clear: No matter what they were called, subsidies were subsidies and had a destabilizing effect on international markets.

He told reporters he was referring to "all the agricultural policies around the world which have a combination of export subsidies and indirect export subsidies through internal subsidization."

Mr. Dunkel is supposed to meet early Friday in St. John, Newfoundland with the trade chiefs of the Quadrilateral, which groups the four largest trade partners of the world -- the United States, the EEC, Japan and Canada. They will meet for two days to try to give political impetus to the GATT negotiations.

According to Mr. Dunkel, the meeting in St. John cannot be considered

"decisive" for the fate of the Uruguay Round because many other important countries are not represented. He said, however, he believed it would help advance the negotiations.

-30- 1987

#90285d1490 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BURLINGAME, CALIFORNIA (OCT. 12) - ATT Microelectronics has unveiled a multimedia computer chip for personal computers and workstations that performs video image, sound, text and modem functions.

The chip, called the DSP3210, will allow users to work simultaneously with video images and compact disc-quality sound, said ATT Microelectronics, a subsidiary of U.S. telecommunications giant ATT.

The new chip is compatible with Intel and Motorola 32-bit microprocessors that power IBM-compatible and Apple personal computers, the company said Thursday.

"The DSP3210 is designed for the emerging market in PCs (personal computers) and workstations that let users escape the limitations of low-resolution images and beep-quality sounds," said Kreg Ulery, marketing director for ATT Microelectronics.

"We expect the DSP3210 to become the worldwide standard architecture for multimedia applications," he said.

ATT plans to start producing the chip in the fourth quarter of 1991 and estimates it will cost less than 50 dollars in quantities of 100,000.

The announcement was made here at a Microprocessor Forum West seminar.

The multimedia chip market is currently estimated at 6.4 billion dollars and is expected to reach more than 24 billion dollars in 1994, according to Information Workstation Group, based in Alexandria, Virginia.

Industry experts predict that multimedia computing devices will be the growth market of the 1990s.

-30- 1644

#90285d1570 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 12) - The production of cotton, China's most important cash crop, is expected to rise by 10 percent this year, to total 4.15 million to 4.25 million tons, the China Daily said Friday.

Following last year's 3.8 million ton harvest, which was not enough to satisfy the demands of the textile industry, the central government this year increased the official purchasing price of cotton by nearly 30 percent, to

encourage farmers to grow more, the English-language daily said.

All of the cotton produced in China is bought exclusively by the state.

In 1984, China harvested a record six million tons of cotton -- more than the Soviet Union and United States combined -- which far exceeded the country's needs at that time and led to the government reducing cotton acreage the following year.

Consequently, many farmers turned to cereal production for which the government was offering financial incentives. But as the demand for cotton increased, the ministry of agriculture this year was forced to backtrack and increase incentives for cotton production.

Some 5.5 million hectares (13.8 million acres) of cotton have been sown this year, an increase of 290,000 hectares (725,000 acres) over last year. The yield per hectare (2.5 acres) is expected to reach 750 kilograms (1,670 pounds), the China Daily said.

-30- 1542

#90285d1620 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 12) - Beijing Jeep Corp. (BJC), one of China's showcase joint ventures, expects 1990 to be its "most prosperous year" following higher-than-projected demand for its products, it was reported Friday.

BJC spokesman Zhang Cailin, quoted in the official China Daily, said the Sino-U.S. automaker was forecasting a 6.8-per-cent rise in profits this year, compared to 1989, on a turnover increase of 18.7 per cent.

Total expected profit figures were not given, but Mr. Zhang said: "If the plan is realized, this year will be BJC's most prosperous year since it started seven years ago."

BJC is a joint venture between state-owned Beijing Automotive Works and Chrysler Corp., which took over the original joint-venture partner, American Motors Corp., in the late 1980's.

It produces Jeep Cherokee station wagons, assembled mainly from imported parts and BJ-2020 four-wheel-drive utility vehicles, the latest in a series of Chinese army-style jeeps based on a Soviet design.

BJC's rosier fiscal year suggested a recovery in China's auto industry, hard hit last year by a state-imposed austerity program that left manufacturers stranded with huge inventories and no buyers.

Mr. Zhang said BJC expects to turn out 41,831 vehicles this year, instead of 40,000 as previously planned, after sales in January through September were up

23.3 percent from the same period last year.

Total output last year was 39,310 vehicles.

Chrysler's share in the joint venture, which is to last 20 years, has increased from 31.35 percent to 38.25 percent, bringing fresh capital into the enterprise, Mr. Zhang said.

He added that BJC would ask the Chinese Government to no longer tax imported parts used in Jeep Cherokees, as 40.3 percent of the parts used in the car were now Chinese-made.

An end to tariffs on imported parts could come by the end of the year, making BJC the first Sino-foreign joint-venture automaker to enjoy such tax-free status.

Other joint ventures include Germany's Volkswagen in Shanghai and Peugeot of France in the southern city of Guangzhou.

-30- 2300

#90285d1750 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND (OCT. 12) - A small Auckland company has been named the consultant for a four billion U.S. dollar project to build an industrial zone in Vietnam, the New Zealand Herald reported Friday.

The project includes a harbor, industrial area, international airport, 350 kilometres (220 miles) of roads, three hospitals, five hotels, 15 schools, 120 restaurants and 100,000 apartments.

The zone is planned for Vung Tau, a coastal city southeast of Ho Chi Minh City.

A director of the Auckland Consulting Group, Dennis Pettid, said the company won the contract almost by accident. Six weeks ago he was staying in a Malaysian hotel where Vietnam's deputy chief minister was also staying.

They met, and as a result a message arrived from Vietnam on Wednesday giving the group the right to negotiate the deal. The letter gave them six months to negotiate a management contract with the Vung Tau People's Committee.

They will be responsible for breaking up the development into 30 or 40 smaller contracts and selecting companies to carry them out. Financing will be through the Asian Development Bank.

-30- 1317

#90285d1840 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Tokyo (OCT. 12) - Opposition members of parliament jeered and whistled Friday

as Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu outlined a controversial government plan to send Japanese troops to the Gulf.

The premier asked the Diet or parliament to support the creation of a peace corps to assist United Nations operations to resolve international conflicts.

If the legislation is approved, it would be the first time that Japanese troops would be sent overseas since World War Ii. Their first role would be to assist the multi-national force in the Gulf.

Opposition parties strongly oppose the move, arguing that Japan's war-renouncing constitution forbids the foreign deployment of self-defence forces, as the country's army is called.

Kaifu described the Gulf crisis as ''a major testing time for Japan and the most severe trial we have faced since the end of the war.'' He said Japan, while desiring peace, ''should not sit back and watch international efforts to restore peace.

The troops would be allowed to carry light arms for self-defence and work alongside civilian, medical and transport teams in a non-combat role.

Some leading members of Kaifu's ruling Liberal-Democratic Party are also opposed to the plan, which they feel has been drawn up under strong American pressure.

''Japan has built a strong economy in a non-military country with a defence force only. It is important that we maintain this with pride,'' said former Premier Takeo Fukuda.

-30- 1670

#90285d1870 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Johannesburg (OCT. 12) - The South African government Friday lifted a curfew in three townships imposed on September 25 after two months of communal fighting that claimed up to 800 lives.

The 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. curfew was lifted in the eastern townships of Vosloorus, Katlehong and Thokoza by Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok a week after he ended the measure in the black city of Soweto, south-west of Johannesburg.

The minister said many blacks had asked that the curfew be continued, but violence had dropped dramatically in these areas and the curfew had always been seen as a temporary measure.

However, he would not hesitate to reimpose it, Vlok said.

The curfew was part of of measures taken to end the fighting between

supporters of the Zulu Inkatha Freedom Party (Ifp) and the liberation movement, the African National Congress (Anc).

The measures included the imposition of states-of-emergency in 27 townships and stepped up security.

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#90285d1890 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Accra (OCT. 12) - The West African peacekeeing force in the Liberian capital of Monrovia has taken control of the centre of the city, according to reports reaching here Friday.

The reports quoted the field commander of the five-nation force, Major-General Joshua Dogonyaro, as saying forces loyal to rebel leader Charles Taylor had been pushed out of the centre.

The 6,000 peacekeepers have been battling Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia, which is opposed to the presence of foreign troops.

Fighting was reported to be moving to areas where thousands of Nigerian and Ghanaian refugees are being held virtual hostage by Taylor.

Taylor's rebels invaded Liberia from neighbouring Ivory Coast last December with the aim of toppling President Samuel Doe's government. Doe was killed last month but remants of his army continue to resist.

-30- 1041

#90285d2010 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Jerusalem (OCT. 12) - Israeli police have recommended the prosecution of Interior Minister Rabbi Arye Deri on charges of fraud, breach of trust and submitting false documents, newspapers reported Friday.

The revelations prompted senior members of Deri's Shas party, which holds the balance of power in the Israeli parliament, to demand the minister's resignation from the coalition led by Prime Minister Itzhak Shamir.

The police recommendations came in the closing stages of a four-month investigation into De'ri and other senior members of the ultra-orthodox Shas party.

They were under investigation on charges of masterminding an illegal system to transfer millions of dollars in Interior Ministry funds to party institutions and supporters.

The officials are also suspected of ordering phonetaps on journalists covering the affair, which has been described as Israel's Watergate scandal.

-30- 1085
#90285d2150 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FREETOWN (OCT. 12) - The United Nations World Food Program (WFP) is to send a consignment of 2,300 tons of rice in the next two days for thousands of people trapped in the war-torn Liberian capital of Monrovia, a WFP official said.

Bai Bojang told Agence France-Presse late Thursday that 168,000 tons of rice had already been shipped to Monrovia and were waiting to be distributed at centers around the capital where 89,000 people have registered.

He said a Greek vessel, the Triana, is to carry the rice in two trips between Freetown and Monrovia under the supervision of officials from the humanitarian group, Medecins Sans Frontiers (MSF-Doctors without Borders).

A local non-governmental organization, the Special Emergency Life Food (SELF), was also to help members of a West African expeditionary force (ECOMOG) distributed the food.

Meanwhile, ECOMOG military sources in Freetown have refuted allegations made by National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) rebel leader Charles Taylor on Wednesday that Guinea had withdrawn troops from ECOMOG, which also comprises troops from Nigeria, Ghana, Sierra Leone and the Gambia.

Western diplomats here said the vacant German Embassy in Monrovia's eastern district had been shelled by forces loyal to the late President Samuel Doe. The embassy was evacuated in August. It was not known if anyone was injured in the attack.

A battalion of Nigerian and Ghanaian troops was expected to arrive here by Friday and is to leave by sea for Monrovia next week. The arrival of troop reinforcements would boost the multinational force to over 7,000.

-30- 1807
#90285d2160 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TAIPEI (OCT. 12) - Taiwan government leaders Friday vowed they would not accept a move by a Japanese group to set up a lighthouse on an offshore island claimed by the Republic of China.

Taiwan legislators said Japan's decision to allow the rightwing Japanese Youth Society to build a lighthouse on Tiaoyu Tai island was tantamount to Japan claiming sovereignty of Chinese territory.

In an address on Friday, Taiwanese representative Liu Sheng-liang unfurled a Republic of China (Roc) flag in Taiwan's lawmaking Legislative Yuan, imploring premier Hau Pei-tsun to replace the lighthouse with the national flag.

"Our government will take all necessary steps to maintain our territorial claims," Hau said, referring to the Tiaoyu Tai archipelago.

Hau did not specify what steps might be taken.

The Tiaoyu Tai islands, located 85 nautical miles northeast of Taiwan, were officially given to Japan in 1970 by the Us government. That move sparked protests among Taiwanese students, who felt under no condition should the Roc give in on territorial claims.

Today the islands are undeveloped, but Taiwanese fishermen sometimes seek protection there during storms.

Japan maintains no official ties with Taiwan, and instead recognises the Chinese government in Beijing.

-30- 1465

#90285d2240 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (OCT. 12)- The Geneva-based World Council of Churches (WCC) released a report on Friday denouncing the brutal treatment of the "innocent Tamil population" by government forces in Sri Lanka, and claiming that more than 3,000 civilians have been killed in the last four months.

Officials of the WCC asked that the author of the report, a church dignitary from Sri Lanka, not be identified for fears of threats against his life.

The three-page report stressed that contrary to government claims, military actions in the eastern and northern provinces have been directed not only against the rebel Tiger forces (LTTE) but also against civilians, through "incessant bombardments of civic and town centers".

According to the report, 3,324 "innocent civilians" have been killed since June 11, the largest number - 1,190 - in the Amparai district, and over 17,000 wounded. Nearly 900 people have been arrested and are still missing.

There are now more than one million refugees in the eastern and northern provinces and 115,000 people have fled to India. A total 900,000 people have become jobless as a result of a total blockade of fuel, which has paralyzed all public transport and work on agricultural farms.

Electricity has also been cut off to most of the northern province and in particular in the Jaffna district, the report said.

"As a result", the community has been badly affected over food supplies," it added. Relief provided by humanitarian organizations has only trickled through. In the last three months, only a few tons have gotten through which is "not

enough even for two week's supply", the report said.

It also mentioned a "desperate" lack of drugs and medical supplies, and a great shortage of cash due to the closure of banks.

Stressing that the "innocent Tamil population is being brutally treated", the report called for an urgent ceasefire and the resumption of negotiations. It also said there can be "no justification for the aerial attacks unless the government is bent on genocide".

-30- 2258

#90285d2250 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 12) - Three people were killed and 12 were injured when an illegal firecracker factory hidden inside a house exploded, the official Philippine News Agency (PNA) reported here Friday.

The two-storey structure housing the factory in the central city of Bacolod was also destroyed in the explosion that killed three people including a nine-year-old girl late Thursday, the PNA reported.

Although firecrackers are supposedly illegal, many small household firms illicity manufacture them, especially for New Year's Day celebrations when many fireworks are traditionally set off.

Nine people were killed when a secret firecracker factory exploded outside this city last August.

-30- 892

#90285d2270 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 12) - Britain's annual inflation rate in September reached 10.9 percent, up from the August rate of 10.6 percent, the Office of Statistics reported here Friday.

The rise above all reflected the increase in the price of oil.

Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major expects the inflation rate to have topped out and to fall markedly in 1991.

Pound sterling's placement in the European Monetary System's exchange rate mechanism last week, combined with Major's high interest rates policy are expected by London to produce the turnaround in price developments.

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#90285d2290 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 12) - Russian Federation President Boris Yeltsin resumed work

here Friday after recovering from injuries suffered in a car crash on September 21, TASS news agency said.

Mr. Yeltsin chaired a meeting of the Russian parliament's constitutional commission.

Mr. Yeltsin injured his right hip and suffered slight head injuries when his car collided with another in central Moscow. He was hospitalised briefly.

-30- 611

#90285d2330 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (OCT. 12) - Taiwan Premier Hau Pei-tsun on Friday shrugged off a reported threat by paramount Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping to invade Taiwan and unify China within five years.

"Our present military strength may not be adequate (for us) to counterattack (China), but it is more than enough" to repel an invasion, Mr. Hau told parliament.

"There is definitely no problem about ensuring Taiwan's security," he said. "Taiwan should have confidence and the will to survive."

He was responding to a question by Kuomintang (KMT) legislator Hsieh Lai-fa, who had asked Mr. Hau to comment on a Hong Kong newspaper report that Mr. Deng had mapped out a five-year plan to unify China at all costs, even if it meant invading Taiwan.

The KMT forces fled to Taiwan in 1949 after losing a civil war with the communists on the Chinese mainland. Both the KMT and the Chinese communists vow to unify China one day, albeit on different terms and using different methods.

During Taiwan's National Day celebrations on Wednesday, President Lee Teng-hui reiterated that China should be unified, but said reunion should not endanger the island's security and stability.

-30- 1352

#90285d2550 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 12) - Japan's Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu indicated Friday that the government planned to maintain its virtual ban on rice imports despite international efforts to liberalise trade in agricultural products.

"In view of the special importance of rice and rice farming, and in line with the spirit of relevant Diet resolutions, I intend to deal with this with our basic policy of self sufficiency," he told parliament.

The remarks by Mr. Kaifu, who was speaking on the first day of an

extraordinary session of the lower house, were echoed by a senior official at the International Trade and Industry Ministry.

"Mr. Kaifu made it clear that Japan is keeping its position on rice," Noboru Hatekayama, director general of the ministry's International Trade Policy Bureau, told a news conference.

Mr. Hatakeyama acknowledged that agricultural liberalisation was an important part of the Uruguay Round of talks, due to end in December, under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

But he added that Japan's priorities were to clarify how to settle disputes, to prevent unilateral trade laws aimed at specific countries and to introduce a new multi-fibre arrangement governing international trade in textiles.

"In agriculture, the most important issue is not Japanese rice but the dispute between the United States and the EEC," he said.

Japan recently proposed to the Uruguay Round a 30 per cent reduction in agricultural subsidies.

But it argues that any country should be allowed to remain self-sufficient in the production of staple foods, a position which has been strongly opposed by the United States.

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#90285d2780 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (OCT. 12) - Bahrain and Czechoslovakia established diplomatic ties at ambassadorial level on Friday, the official Gulf News Agency reported.

The announcement came a day after an advisor to Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel delivered a message on bileration relations to the emir of Bahrain, Sheikh Isa bin Sulman al-Khalifa.

Last month, Bahrain established diplomatic ties with the Soviet Union.

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#90285d2820 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (OCT. 12) - President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani accused the United States on Friday of "following an ostrich policy in connection with the bloody events in the (Israeli) occupied territories" and called on Moslem countries to show unity "in coping with the Islamic world's problems".

Speaking as imam at the Friday prayer service at Teheran University, Mr. Rafsanjani criticized the United States for having vetoed a United Nations Security Council draft resolution condemning Israel for the violence.

He said he was surprised that "the Security Council has adopted so many resolutions on Kuwait, while the United States, pooh-poohing the realities in the territories occupied by Israel, rejected the U.N. resolution".

Noting "dissensions found at all levels in the Islamic countries", the president said that "the Islamic world must agree to choose a spiritual guide able to mobilize the required resources and forces to cope with the problems rending the Islamic countries".

He added: "We have huge possibilities and tools, such as oil and the unity of all Moslems, which can be useful in defending Islam".

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#90285d2830 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROTTERDAM, NETHERLANDS (OCT. 12) - Hungarian Prime Minister Jozsef Antall, arrived here Friday for the first official visit to the Netherlands by a Hungarian leader.

Mr. Antall was welcomed by Foreign Minister Hans van den Broek, Rotterdam airport officials said.

The Hungarian leader was to meet Queen Beatrix later at The Hague. He was then to have talks with Economy Minister Koos Andriessen. The Netherlands has earmarked about 200 million florins (110 million dollars) in aid to East European countries and economic issues will be at the centre of Mr. Antall's talks here.

Mr. Antall is scheduled to attend a dinner Friday given by Dutch Premier Ruud Lubbers. He leaves the Netherlands Sunday for Luxembourg.

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#90285d2910 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 12) - Germany and the Soviet Union signed a treaty here on Friday covering the withdrawal of Soviet troops from former East Germany by the end of 1994.

The agreement provided a solid basis for both the continued temporary stationing of the Red Army and its phased pullout, German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said. The presence of the 380,000 troops and their families, making 600,000 people in all, would be "a measure of trust between the two countries", he said.

Co-signatory Vladislav Terechov, the Soviet ambassador here, hailed the treaty as a "new step taken to close the post-war period and open a new epoch in European history".

It would enable people to view the future calmly, he added.

A first financial treaty was signed on Tuesday, under which Bonn is to pay Moscow 7.8 billion dollars over four years and extend an interest-free credit of two billion dollars for the troops' repatriation and resettlement.

An overall treaty on Germano-Soviet relations was initialled in Moscow last month and is to be signed early in November by Chancellor Helmut Kohl and President Mikhail Gorbachev at a summit in Germany.

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#90285d3040 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 12) - Paris Mayor Jacques Chirac is to leave next Wednesday for a four-day visit to South Korea and a three-day stay in Japan, during which he will meet with those two countries' main leaders.

Mr. Chirac, a former presidential candidate, will stay in South Korea October 18 to 22. In Seoul, he will meet with President Roh Tae Woo, Prime Minister Kang Young-Hoon, National Assembly President Park Jun-Kyu, and Seoul Mayor Ko Kun.

He will also meet political and economic figures, including Cho Choong Hoon, president of Korean Air and chairman of the France-Korea Economic Cooperation Committee.

On October 19, the Paris mayor will give a speech on "Europe and Asia" in Seoul, and the next day will visit Panmunjon and the demilitarized zone.

In Tokyo, he will see Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu on October 23 and will meet with defence ministry officials.

He will take part in the ceremony awarding the Imperial Prize, given to non-Japanese artists. Mr. Chirac is one of five international advisors on the prize.

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#90285d3100 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 12) - Police shot dead two rioters after they had set fire to a police station Friday in a northern Indian town to protest a government job quota scheme, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported.

Nine others were injured in the shooting in Haryana state's Bhiwani township when the officers opened fire to quell rampaging protesters who also set ablaze a state bank branch, an official's house and three private shops, PTI said.

PTI said those killed were protesters who oppose an August 7 scheme that reserves almost half of government jobs for the lower castes, which constitute a majority of India's 850 million people.

Meanwhile, a 13-year-old schoolgirl set herself ablaze Friday in Haryana's state capital Chandigarh, PTI said, adding that she had been hospitalised with her entire body charred.

Another 19-year-old student hanged himself from a fan in his house Thursday night in Agra city, and in a protest note said it was "useless to live" as the government was unmoved by the student suicides, PTI said.

Students say the job quota scheme makes a mockery of merit and should be dismantled.

Another 13-year-old student who poisoned herself Tuesday in Palampur town of northern state of Himachal Pradesh died Friday, PTI said.

Total suicide bids attributed to the quota protests stood at 122 Friday.

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#90285d3120 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (OCT. 12) - A quake measuring 5.6 on the Richter scale rocked the southeastern city of Zahedan early Friday, the Iranian news agency IRNA reported.

Teheran University's geophysics centre, quoted by IRNA, said the epicentre of the quake was 1,100 kilometres (680 miles) southeast of the capital.

There were no early reports on casualties, the agency said.

A quake measuring six on the Richter scale can cause severe damage in a built-up area.

Around 40,000 people were killed in the northwestern province of Gilan in an earthquake on June 21 measuring at least 7.3.

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#90285d3140 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 12) - President Francois Mitterrand and U.S. President George Bush had a telephone conversation late Thursday about the Middle East situation, Elysee spokesman Hubert Vedrine said Friday.

They also discussed negotiations currently under way within the United Nations Security Council, he said.

The council has been trying for several days to agree a resolution in the wake of the incidents in Jerusalem on Monday in which Israeli police shot dead 21 Palestinians.

Late Thursday it appeared to be close to agreement on a resolution condemning Israel for the death of the demonstrators, diplomats in New York said.

Such a resolution was expected to call for the dispatch of a U.N. mission of inquiry into the incidents in Jerusalem last Monday, they said.

The single draft resolution under discussion contained elements of a Yemeni proposal supported by nonaligned nations, and one put forward by the United States, a traditional supporter of Israel.

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#90285d3170 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

THE HAGUE (OCT. 12) - The Dutch state on Friday launched a 10-year loan carrying 9.25 percent nominal interest, representing an increase of a quarter of a point on the last loan which was issued on August 31.

The issue price will be determined at the close of tender offers on October 16 and investors will be able subsequently to buy the issue at a variable rate.

The loan is the eighth this year to finance a budget shortfall of 41.3 billion guilder (22 billion dollars).

The last loan raised 3.1 billion guilder, and so far this year loan issues have raised 29.45 billion guilder.

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#90285d3190 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (OCT. 12) - Reserves held by the German central Bundesbank rose by 700 million Deutsche marks (460 million dollars) to 105.1 billion marks (69 billion dollars) in the first week of October, the bank said on Friday.

The increase was due mainly to interest payments from investments abroad, the bank said.

The bank's foreign liabilities increased slightly by 100 million marks to 52.2 billion marks.

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#90285d3280 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (OCT. 12) - The whole of Kuwait's exiled political class, headed by

the ruling as-Sabah family and including the opposition, is to meet on Saturday in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, to discuss the consequences of the Iraqi invasion of the tiny Gulf state.

Some 500 figures, including state dignitaries, former members of parliament and representatives of social and professional organizations will assemble until Monday at the Kuwaiti People's Congress.

The aim of the meeting, according to Crown Prince Sheikh Saad al-Abdallah al-Sabah, is to draw up ways to "free the country, restore legality" and reflect on "the new Kuwait" which will emerge if and when the country is liberated from Iraqi occupation.

Although this order of priorities has not been contested, the last point concerning the "new Kuwait" may lead to differences between the various political groupings, heirs to a parliamentary tradition that has been unique in the region.

While the August 2 Iraqi invasion united Kuwait's politicians around the royal family, it did not eliminate the differences in views that had earlier become apparent.

A huge majority of Kuwaitis are concentrating on the freeing of their country from foreign occupation, but some at the same time are already raising questions about the future.

Islamic faction member and former MP Mubarak Douila hinted in an interview Thursday with a Saudi newspaper that he would ask the royal family for "guarantees" on the future.

"For the moment we shall content ourselves with guarantees offering the Kuwaiti people the chance to call (the royal family) to account and to take part in building the new Kuwait," he declared.

On the other hand, the daily Al-Qabas, published in London since the invasion, argued that the congress should be a "war council" promoting "national unity."

The argument for national unity had been emphasized by the leadership and the media in June before the election of the National Council, a toothless consultative body imposed by the emir Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah despite opposition from most members of the former parliament dissolved in 1986.

The Council, composed of 75 members including 50 elected by universal suffrage and 25 nominated by the emir, was judged by more than 30 of the 50 former MPs to be anti-constitutional.

Opponents to the idea of a National Council said the 1963 constitution, calling for the election of a 50-member assembly with wide-ranging legislative

powers, should be respected.

They said the constitution had been breached when the former parliament had not been renewed within two months of its dissolution and that the National Council had no place under the basic law.

The division of Kuwait's political world made the Iraqi invasion easier, according to Western and Arab diplomatic sources, but afterwards many politicians, including some who had been imprisoned by the as-Sabah regime, chose not to ally themselves with Baghdad.

In addition to refusing to collaborate with the occupiers, the Kuwaiti opposition has since the invasion suppressed its grievances against the ruling family, which it had accused of running the country badly.

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#90285d3300 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HONG KONG (OCT. 12) - Chief Secretary Sir David Ford and other Hong Kong government officials met with hundreds of business leaders here Friday to promote the colony's planned new airport and port complex.

At a two-hour briefing sponsored by the Hong Kong General Chamber of Congress, the government sought to allay concern in the business community over financing for the mammoth project and its feasibility.

Answering doubts over whether Hong Kong could afford the project, Financial Secretary Sir Piers Jacobs said the territory could not afford to continue depending on the single-runway Kai Tak airport, which is expected to reach saturation by 1993 at 24 million passengers per year.

The new airport, when fully operational, will accommodate 80 million passengers per year and 4.4 million tonnes of cargo, and will handle 70 aircraft movements per hour, round the clock.

This capacity is expected to meet the territory's needs through 2040, according to Secretary of Economic Services Anson Chan.

Sir Piers, who stressed the colony's balanced budget and high reserves, also noted that the overall price tag of 16.3 billion U.S. dollars at current prices covered all associated projects, including road and rail links.

The airport itself, to be built primarily with public funds, is estimated at 4.87 billion dollars, while the port, estimated at seven billion dollars, will be 80 per cent underwritten by the private sector, he said.

Also Friday a team of Chinese experts arrived here for 10 days of talks on the airport and port project.

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#90285d3360 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (OCT. 12) - Mercedes-Benz has become the first truck maker to invest heavily in the former territory of East Germany, unveiling plans to inject a billion Deutsche marks (650 million dollars) in an assembly plant south of Berlin.

Nine-tonne LN-2 trucks will start rolling off the lines at Ludwigsfelde from January, using a plant owned by Ifa GmbH, the former state-owned East German truck maker, Mercedes managing director Werner Niefer told a press conference here Thursday.

Mercedes will also invest a billion marks to build a new assembly line at Ludwigsfelde that will have an output of 40,000 trucks a year from 1994, he said. Around 2,000 jobs will be created.

Assembly of the LN-2 will be managed by a company, to be set up next year and capitalised at 100 million marks (65 million dollars), in which Mercedes will have a 25 per cent stake, he said.

Mr. Niefer said the deal had been approved by the Treuhandanstalt, the agency charged with privatising state assets after unification.

Production of the W-50, Ifa's last product, will cease at the year's end, he said.

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#90285d3380 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (OCT. 12) - The Indian government is to slash supplies of oil and petroleum products by 15 percent to avert a financial crisis caused by the spiralling cost of oil due to the Gulf crisis, a senior minister said Friday.

"Across the board, supplies will be cut ... starting in a day or two," Finance Minister Madhu Dandavate told a press conference here on his return from an International Monetary Fund-World Bank meeting in Washington.

He said industry, government, private consumers and airlines would not be exempt from the nationwide cut, and that the only exception was likely to be kerosene, which is widely used for cooking.

Mr. Dandavate also said the government was contemplating raising the cost of oil and petroleum products "to reflect current international prices" but declined to specify the amount of the hike under consideration.

"We are prepared to take the risk," he said when asked whether the planned

hike would fuel inflation, currently running at about nine per cent.

Conceding that the 15 percent supply cut would affect industrial output and risked rampant black-marketeering, the minister promised that major steps would be taken to counter the black market.

He said the defence ministry would be the only sector exempt from the cut.

India has estimated the direct additional cost of oil imports this year resulting from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait at some 2.4 billion dollars.

Mr. Dandavate said New Delhi was keeping its options open on whether to apply for an IMF loan to help tide over the crisis.

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#90285d3390 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT. 12) - The rebel Eritrean People's Liberation Front (EPLF) said Friday that its forces killed 140 Ethiopian government troops and wounded 190 others in a recent battle in northern Ethiopia.

In a broadcast monitored here by the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), the rebel radio "Voice of the Broad Masses of Ethiopia" said that the battle took place on the Halhal front, which is situated 25 kilometres (16 miles) north-west of Keren.

Some 35 different types of weapons were captured, the rebel radio said. It did not mention any rebel casualties.

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#90285d3490 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (OCT. 12) - A top Bangladesh opposition leader Friday challenged President Hussain Mohammad Ershad to stand in free and fair elections, saying that the people would reject him.

Sheikh Hasina Wajed, chief of the Awami League, said before slogan-chanting supporters at a protest rally: "I challenge you (Ershad) to stand trial in the people's court and find out for yourself if you have popular support."

She said the president would not get even "one vote" if polls demanded by the opposition were permitted.

The crowd responded to her challenge with slogans like "Hang, Hang, Hang Ershad" and "Martyrs' blood will not go in vain."

Major opposition groups Friday mourned those killed in police gunfire during anti-government demonstrations Wednesday and held special mass prayers and

protest rallies to condemn the incidents.

Participants in the rallies also repeated their demand for the resignation of Mr. Ershad and free and fair elections under a neutral caretaker government.

The government has acknowledged the deaths of five activists, but the opposition has said at least six were killed.

Friday's demonstrations were called by the eight-party alliance dominated by Sheikh Hasina's Awami League, the seven-party alliance led by Begum Khaleda Zia's Bangladesh Nationalist Party and the left-leaning five-party grouping of Nirmal Sen.

The opposition leaders have condemned the killings and observed a half-day strike Thursday to protest alleged police brutality.

Sheikh Hasina charged that plainclothes policemen opened fire from the building housing the ruling Jatiya Party's city office, killing three people, while two others were shot dead in another incident.

"Ershad, your hand is tainted with blood and people will not spare you," she said. "They will take revenge."

Deputy Prime Minister Shah Moazzem Hossain refuted the charges, saying the opposition was engaged in a "dirty game with the dead" because it had failed to win public support through normal means.

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#90285d3550 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (OCT. 12) - President Corazon Aquino and the leaders of the two houses of congress agreed Friday that further domestic oil price increases were needed even as a key aide warned the move could trigger fresh instability.

The government's policy had been to try to limit the impact of price rises due to the Gulf crisis "especially on those who can ill afford to take its shocks " Mrs. Aquino said in a statement

"But hard decisions and choices will have to be made and faced and we shall do this without fail."

House Speaker Ramon Mitra said after meeting with Mrs. Aquino that "we can no longer hold (oil prices)" although he did not specify when oil prices would be raised.

The official Energy Regulatory Board (ERB) said Thursday that the local subsidiary of Caltex intended to petition for an 89 centavo (3.4 U.S. cent) increase on top of the 28.5 per cent increase in fuel prices approved on

September 21.

The local subsidiary of Shell would also file for a price increase, ERB said.

Officials say Philippine oil prices are based on an international crude price of 24 dollars per barrel even though the price has risen to 40 dollars.

Justice Secretary Franklin Drilon, head of the cabinet's national security sub-committee, said "you cannot divorce the oil price from the political stability of this country."

He noted that the latest and bloodest rightwing coup attempts in October 1987 and December 1989 immediately followed oil price hikes and that the short-lived military mutiny in the southern island of Mindanao last week also followed the September increase in oil prices.

"I am opposed to any oil price petition at this point in time. We will do everything in order that we will be able to maintain the (present) prices at least until the end of the year," he said.

Leftwing trade unions have threatened to launch massive protests, including a nationwide strike, if the government announces a new round of oil price increases.

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#90285d3600 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SRINAGAR, INDIA (OCT. 12) - A huge fire broke out in a residential district of downtown Srinagar Friday as 25 people died in another blaze that flared after a gun battle in a frontier Kashmir town.

Residents accused paramilitary Indian Central Reserve Police Force (CPRF) troopers combing the area for militants of setting the blaze in Srinagar, but there was no immediate comment from the government.

The residents said a huge column of smoke hung over the city, the summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir state.

"We could see fire and smoke bellowing from houses," said Mohammad Rehman, press secretary of Kashmir's Chief Moslem Priest Mirwaiz Umar Farooq.

"We can hear gunfire ... there is a lot of crossfiring going on," Mr. Rehman said.

He added that the security authorities had reimposed a curfew, relaxed Friday for seven hours, at 3 p.m. local time and ordered people to leave the area.

It was not immediately known whether there were any casualties in the new fire

which started just before midday according to residents.

Fires have razed more than 1,000 houses in the city's downtown area since Sunday, when pitched street battles between the militants and the CPRF broke out in the old city and the army was called out.

Meanwhile, Srinagar police sources said at least 20 Moslem militants were burned alive Thursday evening in a devastating fire that started just after a gun battle between the separatists and the security forces in a border village.

They said the fire was reported from the town of Kalaroos in Kupwara district, some 120 kilometres (75 miles) north of here in Kashmir, adding that five security men also died in the incident.

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#90285d3710 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (OCT. 12) - Arab foreign ministers are to meet here on Wednesday to discuss the Israeli-occupied territories, following the recent killing of Palestinians in Jerusalem, Arab League sources said Friday.

The Palestine Liberation Organisation called for the meeting in the aftermath of the violence Monday in east Jerusalem where Israeli police shot dead 21 Palestinians.

Iraq has reacted positively to the call for an Arab League meeting.

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#90285d3720 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 12) - India's leading Sikh politician, Simranjit Singh Mann, resigned his parliament seat Friday and called for United Nations-supervised polls in Punjab, now again under the direct rule of New Delhi.

The Sikh leader stalked into a news conference an hour after he quit parliament's lower house protesting the "colonisation" of the northern state and warning that other MPs from his Sikh party would soon "follow suit."

"Punjab has been under 41 months of continuous President's (federal) Rule. ... It is not aimed at restoring normalcy in the state but to deny the people of Punjab their constitutional, democratic, political, civil and economic rights " Mr. Mann's resignation letter said.

The policeman-turn-politician, in his letter to parliament speaker Rabi Ray, listed eight points charging India with "colonising" Punjab and "enslaving the Sikhs" and said his community had the right to self-determination.

Mr. Mann, who leads 10 of Punjab's 13 parliamentary seats, said the United

Nations should be called in to allow the Sikhs to exercise their right of self-determination in the frontier state where more than 2,000 people have died so far this year in raging separatist violence.

"Call in the U.N. and let the people of Punjab bring in what they want. ... India backs U.N. interventions in other countries like Cambodia, so why not in Punjab?" Mr. Mann said, referring to his Sikh Akali Dal's demand for free elections or a referendum in Punjab.

"The United States is most welcome to open a consulate in Punjab to keep a close watch on the regular violations of human rights over there," Mr. Mann said and warned that his next course of action after the resignation would be to "internationalise" the Punjab issue.

"This is the beginning. They (India) might arrest me after this, my liberty is at stake," Mr. Mann said.

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#90285d3780 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT 12) - Malaysian miners on Friday repeated a call for a free tin market, saying the export quotas of the Association of Tin Producing Countries (ATPC) had not succeeded in reducing the stock overhang.

Ibrahim Menudin, president of the Malaysian Chamber of Mines, said that the quotas had little impact on prices and were pointless because Brazil, the world's largest tin producer, was not a member of the ATPC.

The ATPC, grouping Australia, Bolivia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Nigeria, Thailand and Zaire, agreed early this month at a meeting in Bolivia to reduce total quotas by six percent to 95,849 tonnes this year.

Mr. Ibrahim said that the tin industry was weak because supply far exceeded demand, mainly because of a lack of control over excessive production by Brazil and China, another country that does not belong to ATPC.

Tin prices, which recovered to a post-1985 market crash of about 11 U.S. dollars a kilogram (five dollars a pound) here last year as a result of the ATPC's efforts, have fallen to around six dollars (2.75 dollars) as stocks build up.

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#90285d3830 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (OCT. 12) - The west German chemicals giant BASF AG on Friday bought a polyurethane firm in former East Germany, Synthesewerks Schwartzheide AG, in the first major takeover in the chemicals sector under German unification, BASF Managing Director Alfred Strube said.

The contract was signed between BASF and the Treuhandanstalt, the agency overseeing the privatisation of state assets in the five former East German states.

It requires the approval of the German federal monopolies board, the Bundeskartelamt, Mr. Strube said. He did not reveal the purchase price.

BASF will invest several hundred million Deutsche marks in the firm, which is based in the southeastern city of Schwartzheide, he added.

One of the top three chemicals firms in Germany, BASF this year is expecting turnover of 2.6 billion marks (1.6 billion dollars) in polyurethane production, he said.

Schwartzheide, which has a payroll of 5,100 people, is expected to contribute 600 million marks (375 million dollars) towards that total, he added.

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#90285d3870 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BETONG, MALAYSIA (OCT. 12) - Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad Friday accused Malaysia's loose opposition alliance of duplicity in trying to win support from the country's many races before elections later this month.

Making the first stop in a nationwide campaign swing before the elections due October 20 and 21, Dr. Mahathir arrived by helicopter in this remote town 256 kilometers (160 miles) east of Kuching on Borneo island.

He told an audience of 2,000 supporters, most of them government workers and farmers, that only his National Front coalition could ensure a genuine sharing of political power to avoid racial conflict.

The prime minister accused the fundamentalist Parti Islam of making contradictory campaign promises to different racial groups.

"They speak in different tongues to different people. They don't quite know where they are headed," Dr. Mahathir said.

Meanwhile in Kuala Lumpur, the Malaysian Trades Union Congress (MTUC) threw its support behind the opposition alliance.

The alliance, known as "Gagasan Rakyat" (People's Might), is led by Dr. Mahathir's arch rival, former trade minister Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah.

Gagasan Rakyat groups Mr. Razaleigh's "Semangat '46," a dissident group from Dr. Mahathir's United Malays National Organisation (UMNO), with the mostly ethnic Chinese Democratic Action Party and smaller parties representing ethnic

Indians and socialists.

Semangat '46 is also a member of the Angkatan Perpaduan Ummah, a grouping of Islamic parties including Parti Islam.

Mr. Razaleigh's two opposition pacts have fielded common candidates to force straight fights against the National Front in most of the 178 constituencies of the lower house of parliament, the Dewan Rakyat.

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#90285d3890 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SANTIAGO (OCT. 12) - Chile shipped cluster bombs to Ethiopia last month in a deal concluded before President Patricio Aylwin took power from the military regime headed by General Augusto Pinochet, the Defense Ministry said Friday.

The ministry said Gen. Pinochet's government authorized the sale of 1,658 cluster bombs to Ethiopia's regime, which is locked in a decades-long struggle with rebels in the north of the country.

The last 76 of the deadly anti-personnel weapons were sent to Addis Ababa in September by the Chilean weapons manufacturer Industrias Cardoen, the ministry said.

Mr. Aylwin, who took over from Gen. Pinochet in March, has not authorized any new weapons sale to Ethiopia or Iraq, it added.

Industrias Cardoen, which the government in the past said also supplied Iraq with cluster bombs, had denied as late as Wednesday that it had any dealings with the Ethiopian Government.

Human rights groups have accused Ethiopia of using the cluster bombs, which explode above ground and spray metal pellets over a wide area, against civilians in rebel-held areas.

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#90285d3950 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (OCT. 12) - A visit to Germany by U.S. President George Bush is in preparation for November, deputy government spokesman Dieter Vogel said Friday.

He said the chancellor's office and the White House have been talking about a date for a week.

Two other leaders are expected in Germany in November: Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki. The dates of their visits have not been firmly set, Mr. Vogel said.

Government sources said Mr. Gorbachev is to visit Germany at the start of November. He and Chancellor Helmut Kohl are to sign a German-Soviet treaty of "good neighborliness, partnership and cooperation" initialled by their foreign ministers in Moscow on September 13.

Mr. Mazowiecki is expected on November 8.

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#90285d3970 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 12) - An Irish tax haven is likely to be chosen as the base for financial engineering to provide funds for the future A-321 European Airbus aircraft, aero industry sources said Friday.

The executive committee of the French Airbus Industrie company is due to meet next Friday to study several proposals for raising the finance, sources close to the consortium said.

One of the proposals is to create a finance company in Ireland which would be owned by the lending banks.

Development of the A-321 aircraft, an extended version of the A-320 airliner, will cost 500 million dollars compared with investment of about two billion dollars in the first version.

Airbus industrie has four partners in the Airbus programme: Aerospatiale, Deutsche Aerospace, British Aerospace and Casa. They decided in November 1989 to launch the programme without state aid, by raising funds in the commercial market.

A banker informed on the matter said that Airbus and its partners were likely to create a finance company in the tax-exempt area of Dublin docks. The banks involved would provide capital, instead of loans, to the company and would become non-voting shareholders.

The European Investment Bank might participate to the extent of about 150 million dollars.

This arrangement would offer big tax advantages since corporation tax within the area is levied at 10 per cent and the tax on dividends is five per cent. Consequently Airbus would benefit from loans charged at a rate of interest of about one point below the market rate.

French financial circles said that the Credit National and the Credit Foncier might be among the French investors, but it was not possible to confirm this on Friday.

Some leading French and European banks have reportedly declined to participate

because the financial advantages do not interest them, or because the proposal in Ireland could cause legal problems with Irish authorities which are often reluctant to authorise tax advantages for projects of relatively short duration.

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#90285d4020 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENNA (OCT. 12) - A supersonic airliner will not be ready to succeed Concorde before 2005, a senior manager of the Pratt and Whitney engine manufacturer said here late Thursday.

The manager, Mark Sullivan, is director of communications for the company, a subsidiary of the U.S. group United Technologies, which agreed a few days ago to carry out a feasibility study with the U.S. company General Electric into the development of a successor to the Franco-British aircraft.

He told journalists that a decision on whether to continue with the project would be taken in 1992.

The project concerns an aircraft capable of carrying 250 passengers at 3.5 times the speed of sound for a distance of 6,000 to 7,000 miles (9,600 to 11,200 kilometres).

It would be bigger, faster and have a bigger range than the 20-year-old Concorde.

The technology was not a problem, but account would have to be taken of profitability and environmental impact, he said.

It was estimated that the cost of developing the engines would be three billion dollars, and the risks could not be carried by a single company.

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#90285d4070 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 12) - A Gulf war would not bring about an interruption in oil supplies, the Kuwaiti finance minister said Friday, but he warned that oil prices would only fall once the Gulf crisis was resolved.

Sheikh Ali Khalifa al Sabah, in an interview in London with the French daily Le Monde, said that "fears of a destruction of Saudi oil fields are unfounded, as these fields cover huge surface areas."

"Even the terminals are not easy to destroy, and there is sufficient redundancy in the system to guarantee the oil flow whatever happens," he went on.

To underscore his point, he noted that the Iranian oil terminal on Kharg island in the Gulf had continued to work, despite Iraqi attacks, during the Iran-Iraq war.

As far as the oil price is concerned, "if the situation stays as it is, prices will remain high. If the crisis is resolved, not by accepting concessions but by applying the U.N. resolutions, peacefully or by war, then prices will fall again."

He added that if war broke out, following the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, "it would inevitably be short. Maybe not two or three days, but not too long".

He stressed that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein should be "rapidly forced" to implement U.N. resolutions, notably calling for the evacuation of Kuwait, the restoration of the Kuwaiti government, and the release of foreign hostages.

"But I doubt that he will accept," he went on.

The finance minister also revealed that at the time of the Iraqi invasion, the Kuwaiti central bank had "relatively little hard currency -- about 10 million dollars -- and gold stocks worth 350 million dollars".

But he added that the gold was stamped, and that Iraq would have to melt it down and re-mark it to be able to sell it.

The central bank was designed in such a way that the safe would fall into the sea if an attempt to blow it up took place. "Unfortunately, the Iraqis eventually found the people with the keys and the combination. They threatened to kill their family in front of them if they did not yield," he said.

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#90285d4130 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 12) - British conglomerate Hanson said Friday it was suspending plans to sell its 49 percent stake in U.S. concern Newmont Mining Corporation.

The decision had been taken because of "present market conditions," Hanson said in a statement, citing the fall in Newmont share prices since Tuesday when it indicated it would be selling its stake in the U.S. mining concern, the country's leading gold producer.

Hanson, whose interests range from cigarette production to building materials, said it would "explore other alternatives" for its Newmont stake, acquired las year when it bought Consolidated Goldfields.

The 49 percent stake has an estimated value of 350 million dollars.

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#90285d4160 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BELGRADE (OCT. 12) - Libyan leader Moamer Kadhafi has warned Yugoslavs not to dump public busts and portraits of Tito, the country's late communist leader, or face the severing of bilateral ties, the Borba newspaper reported here Friday.

Speaking on the Libyan New Year on October 2, Colonel Kadhafi said he was outraged at reports that Yugoslavia was considering removing "symbols of the one person, who freed the country from Nazism and created the non-aligned movement of which Libya is a member".

"We will not accept the destruction of Tito's work, nor will we tolerate any unseemliness toward him."

Borba reportedly quoted the speech from the Libyan daily Al Arab.

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#90285d4230 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRASILIA (OCT. 12) - Brazil's agriculture minister warned here that agricultural protectionism and farm subsidies, notably in Europe, were contributing to the devastation of the Amazon jungle.

Antonio Cabrera, meeting with reporters prior to negotiations next week in Geneva on world farm trade policy, said Brazilian farmers, struggling to compete with subsidized food imports, were forced to minimize their costs -- notably by burning Amazon jungle to expand farmlands and grazing areas.

"Confronted with unfair competition from European farm products subsidized on the world market, the only solution for (Brazilian) farmers is to try and maximize profits by minimizing costs," Mr. Cabrera said Thursday.

"This is how farmers, who could be among the best protectors of the environment, become predators," he said. "Their least expensive investment is a box of matches to extend their fields or pastures at the expense of the tropical forest."

The Brazilian official complained that beef cost 900 to 1,200 dollars per ton to produce in Brazil, compared to about 3,000 dollars per ton in Western Europe, but that thanks to government subsidies EEC countries are selling the meat on the international market for some 600 dollars a ton.

"The difference is paid for by the taxpayers in the developed countries, which is unjust and provokes immense social problems in poor producer nations," Mr. Cabrera said.

The official made his remarks prior to a meeting next week in Geneva of farm officials within the framework of the 96-member General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

The issue of farm subsidies has emerged as the main stumbling block to a successful conclusion of GATT negotiations due to end in December, dividing member nations roughly into two camps, one led by the United States and the other by the European Economic Community (EEC).

Washington is pushing for a phased but drastic reduction in state aid to farmers -- by as much as 80 percent, while the Europeans oppose such deep cuts in support for their politically powerful farm populations and have offered subsidy reductions of just 30 percent over 10 years.

Mr. Cabrera scoffed at the European proposal, saying "it amounts to proposing no reduction whatsoever" in subsidies since many EEC governments have already been forced to reduce payments to some farmers due to mounting stockpiles of unsold meat, butter and milk.

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#90285d4290 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (OCT. 12) - The Afghan air force Friday carried out heavy bombing attacks on mujahedeen positions near the capital Kabul as the resistance launched a major offensive to take the city, officials and diplomats said.

Heavy artillery and medium-range rockets fired from government bases here rocked the city through Thursday night and early Friday. Residents also observed intense air activity over the capital.

Diplomatic sources said Afghan air force jets were operating out of the Bagram airbase, north of the capital, heading towards mujahedeen positions about 40 kilometres (25 miles) to the south and southwest of Kabul.

The government Thursday said the mujahedeen had launched a major assault overnight Tuesday aimed at overrunning the capital but security forces beat off the attack.

Fighters of the Hezb-i-Islami group led by hardliner Gulbuddin Hekmatyar and another faction headed by Abdul Rasul Sayyaf launched the two-pronged offensive from Arghandi to the west and Khakijabar to the southeast, an official spokesman said.

He added that the government had recovered 71 mujahedeen bodies from Arghandi while 31 were reported to have been seriously wounded. Casualties in Khakijabar and the government's own losses were not immediately known.

(The resistance said in Peshawar, Pakistan that the mujahedeen had overrun 10

posts and killed 38 government soldiers, including five officers.

(The mujahedeen put its own losses at five dead and 21 injured, the pro-mujahedeen Afghan Islamic Press reported, adding that the resistance had destroyed one enemy tank.)

Diplomats here said the government had also taken heavy losses in the two battles fought with artillery, missiles and heavy and medium machine guns.

"By now both areas must have been bombed out of sight. So long as the government rules the skies, the mujahedeen have no chance," a military attache here said.

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#90285d4370 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAVANA (OCT. 12) - China has agreed to build a factory in Cuba capable of producing 150,000 bicycles per year as part of Havana's recently announced energy-saving program, it was announced Friday.

Chinese and Cuban authorities also signed an agreement to set up a joint manufacturing plant to produce 100,000 electric fans per year, the government news agency AIN reported. Both agreements were signed Thursday.

The Cuban Government announced an austere energy-saving program late last month designed to address a sharp fall off in crude oil supplies from the Soviet Union and industrial goods imports from East European nations.

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#90285d4440 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT. 12) - The Belgian coalition government is split over whether to maintain Belgian paratroops in Rwanda to prevent widespread bloodshed or withdraw them to avoid complicity in human-rights violations, political sources said here Friday.

The division might be due to support by Social Christian parties for the Roman Catholic church, which is close to the authorities in Rwanda, they said.

The Belgian government distanced itself from the authorities in Rwanda on Thursday when it refused to send additional military aid, after reports of human rights violations, but has hesitated to go further.

The government has held daily meetings on Rwanda and met for a particularly long time late into Thursday night. Rwanda, a former Belgian colony, is the scene of fighting sparked by a rebel force which entered from Uganda at the beginning of the month.

The dilemma is whether to order the withdrawal of 535 Belgian parachutists despite the presence of 1,300 Belgian nationals who have decided to remain in the country, or maintain the military presence and be accused of complicity in human-right violations.

The Social Christians, who dominate the centre-left coalition, have insisted that the soldiers should remain in the former colony, now riven by fighting between forces loyal to the Hutu regime of Major-General Juvenal Habyarimana and Tutsi rebels, dissidents and former refugees.

They say the safety of Belgian nationals cannot be guaranteed without the troops, who have been detailed to guard Kigali airport and its access routes.

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#90285d4750 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SRINAGAR, India (OCT 12) - A Canadian tourist said here Friday that she was gang raped after being taken in for questioning by Indian security forces.

Laura Lambie, 24, told reporters that she believed the five men who raped her were from the Indian security forces.

She said she had been walking along a road skirting Kashmir's picturesque Dal Lake early Friday when she stopped to talk with some Kashmiri youths.

Suddenly a vehicle of the National Security Guards drove up, stopped and drove her away to Chesmashahi Garden for questioning, she said.

Ms. Lambie said she was later taken to a place that "looked like an army camp (where) I was criminally assaulted" by the five men.

The men then took her back to the spot where she was picked up, she said. An unnamed houseboat owner had helped her to recover from the "trauma."

Ms. Lambie, who said she had arrived in Kashmir as a tourist last week, added that she had been given medical aid by a private doctor in Srinagar, Kashmir's summer capital.

A spokesman from the Canadian High Commission (embassy) in New Delhi said it was unable to confirm the account but was investigating the case.

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#90285d4810 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (OCT 12) - Ivory Coast Foreign Minister Simeon Ake on Friday delivered a special message from President Felix Houphouet-Boigny to Ghana's head of state Jerry Rawlings, officials here said.

The contents of the message were not disclosed. It was received on behalf of Flight-Lieutenant Rawlings by Kojo Tsikata, a member of Ghana's ruling Provisional National Defence Council in charge of foreign affairs and national security.

The message follows repeated accusations by former Liberian government officials that the Ivory Coast and Burkina Faso have supported Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) rebel movement.

Ivory Coast has also alleged that a group of people who wanted to assassinate the pope during his visit to that country September 10 were led by an American friend of French mercenary Bob Denard based in Ghana.

Ivorian authorities said a Beninese youth was to have confessed to the plot to kill the pope, who consecrated the world's largest basilica in Mr. Houphouet-Boigny's home village of Yamoussoukro.

The government of Togo, meanwhile has charged that the Beninese man unveiled a plot by the same group based in Ghana to destablize the Togolese capital Lome last Friday.

On that day, students and other youths went on a rampage, burning administrative vehicles and attacking six police stations after security forces cracked down hard on demonstrators protesting the trial of two men accused of distributing anti-government tracts.

Authorities said four people were killed and 34 others injured in the incident.

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#90285d5020 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOULOUSE, France (OCT 12) - The Italian Alitalia airline on Friday ordered 20 Airbus A-321 aircraft, taking its total order to 40 plus 20 options, top Airbus Industrie official Jean Pierson said here.

The orders for the 40 aircraft are worth 3.1 billion dollars.

The order means that Alitalia, which is the biggest customer for the A-321, is now the biggest client for aircraft of this generation from Airbus.

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#90285d5080 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (OCT 12) - A statement of intent whereby the Soviet Union would be prepared to supply 10 million tonnes of oil to Poland in 1991 was due to be signed in Moscow on Friday during an official visit by Polish Foreign Minister Krzysztof Skubiszewski, official sources here said.

The Soviet Union, which had recently informed Polish authorities that it did not plan to sell oil to Poland in 1991, has gone back on its decision, Polish vice Finance Minister Andrzej Podsiadlo told a press conference.

But he said the document was only a statement of intent since precise contracts would have to be negotiated with the Soviet companies concerned.

Poland, which expects to consume about 14 million tonnes of oil next year,

will have to pay in dollars for Soviet oil from January 1, 1991, instead of in rubles.

Polish officials have estimated that the entire Polish trade surplus in 1990 of four billion dollars would scarcely be sufficient to pay for its 1991 oil bill.

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#90285d5140 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT 12) - France Telecom and International Telecom Japan (IJT) signed an agreement here Friday to develop their relations.

The outline agreement follows a 1989 accord on traffic by fax and telephone between France and Japan.

It will affect marketing, the exploitation of new services, and other aspects of international communications, particularly telephone traffic.

IJT was created in 1986 when Nippon Telegraph and Telephone (NTT) was privatised.

Since the beginning of international commuted telephone services to France in November 1989, traffic between ITJ and France Telecom has developed quickly.

France Telecom has said that ITJ holds more than 20 per cent of the Japanese market for traffic towards France.

The accord was signed by IJT president Noboru Takahashi and France Telecom director general Marcel Roulet.

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#90285d5370 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CARACAS (OCT 12) - The presidents of Colombia, Venezuela and Mexico Friday agreed to support the creation of a stabilization fund for commodities produced by Latin American nations.

The three Latin American leaders suggested the commodities support fund could

be part of a broader Energy Stabilization Fund being discussed here at a summit of nine regional leaders, known as the Group of Rio.

Presidents Cesar Gaviria of Colombia, Carlos Salinas de Gortari of Mexico and Carlos Andres Perez of Venezuela, meeting on the sidelines of a two-day Group of Rio summit which ended Friday, said the fund was needed to stabilize prices for key regional exports such as copper, sugar and coffee.

A similar proposal to establish regional policies on raw materials was advanced earlier this week by Chilean President Patricio Aylwin in a speech before the Latin American Economic System.

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#90285d5380 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 12) - French President Francois Mitterrand said he was "deeply grieved" by Friday's assassination of Egyptian parliamentary speaker Rifaat Mahgoub, in a letter to his Egyptian counterpart Hosni Mubarak.

"I share your sorrow and beg you to express my sympathy to Speaker Mahgoub's family", Mr. Mitterrand said in his message.

The speaker was assassinated in Cairo in broad daylight in a highly professional hit-job that analysts said may be linked to Cairo's stand in the Gulf crisis.

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#90285d5550 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (OCT. 12) - South African President Frederik de Klerk Friday discussed here African affairs with Portuguese President Mario Soares and Prime Minister Anibal Cavaco Silva.

De Klerk, who arrived Friday morning on a brief stopover on his way to London, met Cavaco Silva at the prime minister's residence.

Afterwards de Klerk said they had discussed developments in South Africa and the situation in Angola and Mozambique ''where Portugal and South Africa have many direct interests''. The discussions had been ''open and very constructive'', he told journalists.

The Portuguese prime minister said the changes now talking place in South Africa were ''irreversible and in the good direction.

''The international community must recognise explicitly the process already under way and give the indispensable stimuli for the rest of the changes to take place,'' he said.

''It is in that sense that Portugal has been supporting in the European Community, and will go on supporting, the softening and the elimination of the sanctions against South Africa'', Cavaco said.

After the meeting with Soares in the presidential palace, de Klerk boarded the liner Queen Elizabeth Ii for a voyage to England. During the cruise, de Klerk is to make a speech to the Congress of the Young Presidents organisation, a group of young businessmen of leading enterprises from around the world.

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#90285d5600 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT. 12) - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd left here by air Friday for talks in Egypt and Israel.

The foreign office said in talks with Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak, Hurd would mainly discuss further Egyptian military contribution to the multi-national force facing Iraq.

In Israel, Hurd would press for an early settlement of the Palestinian problem. His Middle East tour is due to last one week.

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#90285d5690 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (OCT. 12) - Iraq has threatened to hinder the departure of an estimated 5,000 Soviet citizens in the country if Moscow gives the United States information about Baghdad's military potential, the official Iraqi news agency Ina reported Friday.

A military spokesman said : ''We will regretfully be forced to behave in a way protecting our national security. Among these ways could be that we will ask the responsible official authorities to hinder travel of Soviet nationals.''

This ruling could mean that Soviet citizens who had gained access to military and industrial secrets during their stay in Iraq would be prevented from travelling, said the spokesman.

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#90285d5700 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KATHMANDU (OCT. 12) - A two-woman French expedition led by Annie Beghin, 42, has abandoned a bid to climb Everest via the technically difficult west face route, the Nepalese Tourism Ministry said Friday.

The women were forced to give up their challenge at the world's tallest peak, measuring 8,848 metres (29,028 feet), on October 6. Theirs was the smallest team to attempt the route, ministry officials said.

Meanwhile a 12-member Italian expedition under the leadership of Alberto Re, 53, failed to climb the 6,812 metre (22,346 ft) Mount Amadablam from the southwest ridge route because of the threat of an avalanche.

The Re expedition abandoned its bid on October 4 after reaching a height of 6,100 metres (20,010 feet).

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#90285d5720 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) - The State Departement said Friday it would interview remaining members of a Cambodian dance company that has been plagued by defections during its U.S. tour to find out whether they want to return home.

"The purpose of the interviews is to verify that the dancers are all departing voluntarily from the United States," State Department spokesman Mark Dillen said.

The interviews will be conducted in New York, at a date to be determined by State Departement and Immigration and Naturalization Service officers, he said.

Following standard policy, he declined to say how many, if any, dancers had expressed the intention of defecting.

The New York Times reported Friday that four of the 36 members of the Cambodian Classical Dance Company had already defected. Asked about the reports, Mr. Dillen said, "We will not comment specifically on asylum cases."

Once it is determined that a foreigner wants to remain in the United States, it becomes an asylum case, on which the U.S. Government usually keeps mum.

Final decisions on granting asylum are made by the INS.

The visit of the dance troop, now performing in New York, is the first cultural exchange between the U.S. and Cambodia since the end of the Indochina war in 1975.

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#90285d5750 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (OCT. 12) - Turkish Prime Minister Yildirim Akbulut Friday appointed Ahmet Kurtcebe Alpemocin as foreign minister following the resignation of Ali Bozer, Anatolia news agency reported.

Mr. Bozer submitted his resignation Wednesday, complaining about the "general atmosphere that makes good work difficult".

At a news conference, Mr. Bozer accused the press of having been responsible, due to its speculation, for the situation that led to his resignation.

He had held several ministerial posts before being named foreign minister last February after the resignation of his predecessor Mesut Yilmaz. He was known for favouring Turkish membership in the European Economic Community (EEC).

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#90285d5800 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) - President George Bush telephoned Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak Friday to personally express condolences for the assassination of Rifaat Mahgoub, the speaker of the Egyptian parliament.

A white House statement said Bush asked that his condolences be conveyed to Mahgoub's family and the families of two bodyguards who were also killed in the Cairo attack.

''The president was shocked by this blatant and senseless act of violence,'' White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said. ''President Mubarak expressed appreciation for the president's call and concern.''

Earlier, State Department spokesman Mark Dillon commented on the occurrence by saying, ''we deplore and condemn this cowardly act.''

Fitzwater noted that in their brief talk, Bush and Mubarak had mentioned the ongoing U.N. debate over a resolution condemning Israel for the shooting deaths of 22 Palestinians last Monday.

''They (both) reaffirmed their commitment to work for a resolution that will enjoy the support of a majority,'' the spokesman said.

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#90285d5970 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (OCT. 12) - Engineers of the German aviation giant MBB (Messerschmitt-Boelkow-Bohm) are currently in Iraq working for the Iraqi army, Die Welt newspaper reported in its Saturday edition.

The paper said technicians were servicing Roland, Hot and Milan missile launchers made by the French-German Euromissile consortium of which MBB holds 50 percent of the shares.

Die Welt did not say how many technicians were working in Iraq.

A spokesman for Deutsche Aerospace (DA), MBB's parent company, would not comment on the report for fear of "the safety of company staff in Iraq and their family", the paper added.

MBB said five company technicians were in Iraq servicing civilian helicopters sold to Baghdad.

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#90285d6470 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG, (OCT 12) - German Interior Minister Wolfgang Schaeuble was injured in an attempt on his life near Offenburg in southern Germany Friday night, German Ard television reported.

No furher details on the incident were available.

Bonn Interior Ministry sources could not confirm the attack. They said officials were looking into the incident.

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#90285d6500 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (OCT 12) - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd arrived here late on Friday for talks with government leaders, and promptly offered his condolences at the murder earlier in the day of Egypt's parliamentary speaker, Rifaat Mahgoub.

Mr. Hurd, who is to meet with President Hosni Mubarak on Saturday, said the talks would centre on the crisis in the Gulf, and the Arab-Israeli conflict.

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#90285d6660 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KOUROU, French Guiana (OCT 12) - An Ariane rocket roared into space from a jungle launch-pad in French Guiana at 2258 GMT Friday to launch two U.S. telecommunications satellites into orbit.

It was the 39th launch of the European series of unmanned rockets.

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#90285d6710 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 12) - Talks here between Poland and its main public creditors led to "continued progress on the debt question" on Friday, the secretariat of the Paris Club said.

The Club, which brings together creditor nations and banks to negotiate rescheduling and other agreements with debtors, said the participants had agreed to continue work to draw up a new agreement with Poland.

The country owes some 43 billion dollars to foreign creditors, with around

two-thirds of that sum due to public bodies.

The Club also said that the impact on the Polish economy of energy price rises caused by the Gulf crisis had been raised during the talks.

In August Poland had asked its creditors for compensation for the effects of the crisis on its heavily-indebted economy.

When the crisis erupted, with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, Poland was obtaining its oil from Iraq as repayment in kind of Iraq's 500-million-dollar debt to the country.

The embargo against Iraq ended those supplies, and forced Poland to obtain its oil at sharply-increased prices on world markets.

The Club of Paris statement also said that data on Poland's economic recovery programme, presented at the meeting by Deputy Finance Minister Janusz Sawicki, were "positive."

In July, 17 of Poland's creditor countries, acting under the umbrella of the Club of Paris, agreed to reschedule some 9.4 billion dollars of Poland's debt.

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#90285d6720 10/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (OCT 12) - The U.S. State Department said Friday it was studying a request by Rwanda for military aid, stressing that it could not confirm allegations of massacres of civilians by Rwandan Government troops.

"We are considering the Rwanda Government request for U.S. military assistance " said spokesman Mark Dillen, addiing, "The only type of assistance that is under consideration...is non-lethal, including medical assistance."

He said the U.S. Embassy in Kigali had interviewed travellers coming from areas of fighting in Rwanda but, "We have not been able to confirm...reports of massacres."

Reports have said government troops massacred thousands of civilians of the minority Tutsi tribe, which was kicked out of power by the majority Hutu tribe in 1959 in a wave of massacres.

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#90285h0009 10/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 11) XINHUA - HUNGARY WILL MODERNIZE AND EXPAND ITS TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES THROUGH A PROJECT SUPPORTED BY A 150 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR WORLD BANK LOAN, THE BANK ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE PROJECT WILL FOCUS ON BUSINESSES AND OTHER HIGH- VOLUME SUBSCRIBERS, SAID THE WORLD BANK, THE LARGEST SOURCE OF AID TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

THE PROJECT, WHICH WILL CONSTRUCT A MODERN DIGITAL OVERLAY NETWORK AND PROVIDE ABOUT 300,000 NEW DIGITAL CONNECTIONS, WILL LAY THE GROUNDWORK FOR THE SUBSEQUENT MODERNIZATION OF THE ENTIRE NETWORK AS WELL AS THE RAPID INCREASE IN ACCESS TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES BY THE GENERAL POPULAION.

IT WILL ALSO ASSIST HUNGARY IN REFORMING AND RESTRUCTURING ITS TELECOMMUNICATIONS SECTOR TO MAKE IT MORE EFFICIENT, COMMERCIALLY ORIENTED, MODERN AND COMPETITIVE.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES IN HUNGARY ARE AMONG THE LEAST DEVELOPED IN EUROPE, THE WORLD BANK SAID. THEY POSE A SEVERE CONSTRAINT TO THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

THE WORLD BANK PREVIOUSLY APPROVED A 70 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR LOAN FOR THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SECTOR IN HUNGARY. COFINANCING UNDER THE CURRENT PROJECT IS EXPECTED FROM THE EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK (100 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) AND OTHER FOREIGN SOURCES.

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#90285h0031 10/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MOGADISHU (OCT. 12) XINHUA - SOMALI PRESIDENT MOHAMED SIAD BARRE YESTERDAY RESIGNED HIS POST AS GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE RULING SOMALI REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALIST PARTY (SRSP), RADIO MOGADISHU REPORTED.

IN HIS RESIGNATION PRESENTED TO THE EXTRAORDINARY CENTRAL COMMITTEE SESSION OF THE SRSP YESTERDAY, PRESIDENT SIAD BARRE SAID HE CAN NOT ASSUME TWO POSTS SIMULTANEOUSLY AS SOMALI PRESIDENT AND GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE SRSP UNDER THE PRESENT SITUATION IN SOMALIA.

THE SESSION ACCEPTED SIAD BARRE'S RESIGNATION AND APPOINTED AHMED SULEIMAN ABDULLE TO REPLACE HIM AS SRSP GENERAL SECRETARY.

PRESIDENT SIAD BARRE HAD BEEN SRAP GENERAL SECRETARY SINCE THE SOLE LEGETIMATE PARTY OF SOMALIA WAS SET UP IN 1976. HIS RESIGNATION CAME ONE DAY BEFORE THE NEW SOMALI CONSTITUTION WHICH CALLS FOR A MULTI-PARTY SYSTEM IN THE COUNTRY TAKES EFFECT.

AHMED SULEIMAN ABDULLE, SON-IN-LAW OF PRESIDENT SIAD BARRE, HAS BEEN A POLITICAL BUREAU MEMBER OF THE SRSP SINCE 1976 AND HE WAS APPOINTED ASSISTANT GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE SRSP IN FEBRUARY THIS YEAR.

MEANWHILE, THE SRSP SESSION CANCELLED THIS YEAR'S CELEBRATIONS TO MARK THE OCTOBER 21 REVOLUTION FOR WHAT OBSER- VERS HERE CALLED NATIONAL INSECURITY AND ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES IN THE COUNTRY. THE OCTOBER 21 REVOLUTION BROUGHT

PRESIDENT SIAD BARRE TO POWER IN 1969.

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#90285h0032 10/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BRUSSELS, OCTOBER 11 (XINHUA) -- EUROPEAN COMMUNITY MEMBER COUNTRIES HAVE PROVIDED MIDEAST REFUGEES WITH AN AID TOTALING 128 MILLION DOLLARS SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE GULF CRISIS, ABOUT 53 PERCENT IN ALL EC INTERNATIONAL AID, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS.

THE AID WAS REPORTEDLY USED IN SENDING BACK REFUGEES, PROVIDING TENTS, FOOD AND MEDICINE. SO FAR THE EC-HIRED MILITARY AND CIVIL PLANES HAVE COMPLETED 215 MISSIONS TRANSPORTING 100,000 REFUGEES.

MEANWHILE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HAS OFFERED 240 MILLION DOLLARS IN AID TO REFUGEES IN THIS AREA.

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#90285h0050 10/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 12) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINES HAS RECEIVED FROM JAPAN A GRANT OF 460 MILLION PESOS (ABOUT 17.86 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FOR A PROGRAM OF INCREASING FOOD PRODUCTION.

NOTES TO THIS EFFECT WERE SIGNED AND EXCHANGED HERE TODAY BY ACTING SECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE PHILIPPINES MANUEL T. YAN AND JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TSUNEO TANAKA.

THIS GRANT COVERS VARIOUS PROJECTS FOR INCREASING FOOD PRODUCTION TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN COLLABORATION WITH THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1990 (APRIL 1990--MARCH 1991).

THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF JAPAN'S GRANT FOR THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS OF THE FISCAL YEAR HAS REACHED 1,783 MILLION PESOS (ABOUT 69.24 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), ACCORDING TO THE JAPANESE EMBASSY. MORE GRANT IS SCHEDULED TO BE EXTENDED TO THE PHILIPPINES IN THE REST OF THE FISCAL YEAR, THE EMBASSY ADDED.

THE PHILIPPINES IS TRYING TO RECOVER FROM THE DEVASTATION OF A RECENT DROUGHT, JULY 16 KILLER EARTHQUAKE AND FLOODS. THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT IS NOW CHALLENGED NOT ONLY WITH THE TREMENDOUS TASK OF RECONSTRUCTION AND REHABILITATION, BUT ALSO WITH THE CONTINUOUS DEMAND FOR IMPROVING FOOD PRODUCTION TO FEED THE COUNTRY'S GROWING POPULATION.

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BUENOS AIRES (OCT. 12) XINHUA - U.S. INVESTMENTS IN ARGENTINA ARE EXPECTED TO REACH SOME 3.1 BILLION DOLLARS, ACCORDING TO THE COMMERCIAL ADVISOR TO THE

U.S. EMBASSY HERE.

RAFAEL FERMOSELLE SAID THURSDAY THAT, OF THE TOTAL, 508 MILLION DOLLARS CORRESPONDS TO PROJECTS THAT ARE ALREADY "WELL DEVELOPED" AND 807 MILLION DOLLARS TO PROJECTS THAT ARE STILL IN THE IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS.

FERMOSELLE SAID THERE ARE PROJECTS REPRESENTING 1.502 BILLION DOLLARS IN INVESTMENTS THAT ARE "AWAITING GOVERNMENT ACTION." OTHERS, REPRESENTING 297 MILLION DOLLARS IN INVESTMENTS, ARE STILL IN THE STUDY OR EXPLORATORY STAGE, AND, FINALLY, SOME 17.8 MILLION DOLLARS IN INVESTMENTS CAN BE CATEGORIZED AS "WITHOUT CERTAINTY."

FERMOSELLE SAID HE COULD NOT SAY WITH ABSOLUTE CERTAINTY WHEN THE INVESTMENTS WOULD TAKE PLACE AS THAT WOULD DEPEND "ON THE SPEED OF PRIVATIZATIONS, ON THE OPENING UP OF PETROLEUM INVESTMENT, ON A NEW MINING CODE, ON THE RHYTHM OF THINGS."

CONCERNING THE AREAS ATTRACTING U.S. INVESTMENTS, FERMOSELLE SAID MOST OF THE MONEY WOULD GO INTO TELECOMMUNICATIONS FOLLOWED BY PETROLEUM AND GAS, GAS PIPELINES, PETROCHEMICALS, HOTELS AND OTHER FIELDS.

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#90285h0108 10/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KUNMING (OCT. 12) XINHUA - CHINA HAS PROVIDED ITS UNIQUE TECHNOLOGY OF PLANTING RUBBER TREES IN THE HIGHER LATITUDES TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES, ACCORDING TO AN INTERNATIONAL MEETING HELD HERE.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL RUBBER RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD WAS INFORMED THAT CHINA'S FORMER AGRICULTURE MINISTER HE KANG, AND HUANG ZONGDAO, PRESIDENT OF THE SOUTH CHINA RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF TROPICAL CROPS HAVE WRITTEN A BOOK WHICH ELABORATES ON THE NEW TECHNOLOGY.

WHEN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ASK CHINA TO PROVIDE MORE DETAILED GUIDANCE, CHINESE EXPERTS ARE READY TO WORK IN THOSE COUNTRIES, ACCORDING TO A SOURCE AT THE MEETING.

TRADITIONALLY, RUBBER TREES COULD NOT BE GROWN IN AREAS WITH A NORTH LATITUDE HIGHER THAN 17 DEGREES. HOWEVER, CHINA BEGAN TO PLANT RUBBER TREES IN AREAS WITH A NORTH LATITUDE OF BETWEEN 18 AND 24 DEGREES IN EARLY 1950S.

IN THE PAST FOUR DECADES, CHINESE EXPERTS HAVE DEVELOPED A SERIES OF MEASURES TO FIGHT AGAINST THE WIND AND COLD, WHILE AT THE SAME TIME CULTIVATING STRAINS WITH A STRONGER RESISTANCE TO DISEASE.

CHINA NOW HAS 600,000 HECTARES OF RUBBER PLANTATIONS, AND PRODUCES 240,000 TONS OF DRY RUBBER A YEAR, RANKING FOURTH AND FIFTH IN THE WORLD, RESPECTIVELY.

AS THE WORLD DEMAND FOR NATURAL RUBBER HAS CONTINUED TO GROW, SOME TRADITIONAL RUBBER PRODUCERS, SUCH AS THAILAND, INDIA AND BRAZIL, ARE NOW EXPERIMENTING WITH GROWING RUBBER TREES IN HIGHER LATITUDE AREAS.

HE KANG BELIEVES THAT CHINA'S EXPERIENCE IN PLANTING RUBBER TREES IN THE HIGHER LATITUDE AREAS WILL BE A GREAT HELP TO THOSE COUNTRIES.

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#90285h0120 10/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HELSINKI (OCT. 12) XINHUA - SOVIET DEBT TO FINLAND HAS BEEN MADE PUBLIC FOR THE FIRST TIME BY A FINNISH MAGAZIN, FINLAND RADIO REPORTED TODAY.

ESKO OLLILA, DIRECTOR OF THE BANK OF FINLAND RESPONSIBLE FOR SOVIET TRADE TOLD THE MAGAZINE ON THURSDAY IN AN INTERVIEW THAT FINNISH COMMERCIAL BANKS HAVE PROVIDED CREDITS TO THE SOVIET UNION ABOUT 7.2 BILLION MARKKAS (ABOUT 2 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

OLLILA DISMISSED THE CLAIMS BY FINNISH FIRMS TO THE EFFECT THAT FINNISH BANKS WOULD BE UNWILLING TO PROVIDE FINANCING FOR THE CLEARING TRADE WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

THE FIGURE NOW RELEASED PROVE THAT FINANCING HAS BEEN AVAILABLE, AND POSSIBLE ON A TOO LAVISH BASIS, OLLILA NOTED.

AN ECONOMIC CORRESPONDENT OF THE RADIO POINTED OUT THAT IT SEEMED TO BE A MATTER OF TIME ONLY WHEN THE CLEARING SYSTEM WILL BE CLOSED AND TRADITIONAL CURRENCY-BASED TRADE INTRODUCED.

FENNO-SOVIET TRADE IS CURRENTLY CARRIED OUT IN A CLEARING SYSTEM. FINNISH EXPORTERS ARE ALREADY FACING PROBLEMS CAUSED IN THE CLEARING TRADE WITH THE SOVIET UNION. SEVERAL FINNISH BANKS HAVE STOPPED PROVIDING FINANCING FOR TRADE WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

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Race to Save the Planet (WGBH) October 11, 1990 (Transcript #102)

Only One Atmosphere: A look at the greenhouse effect - damage to the atmosphere that reveals our impact on the environment on a truly global scale.

Race to Save the Planet (WGBH) October 11, 1990 (Transcript #110)

Now or Never: From Kenya's farmers fighting deforestation and Russian citizens fighting air pollution to heads of state and even film stars, people are doing something in the race to save the planet.

Donahue October 11, 1990 (Transcript #3053)

Jay Leno: The comedian gives his views on commercial endorsements, Johnny Carson, comedy and its stars and shares anecdotes from his personal life and career.

Good Morning America (ABC) October 11, 1990 (Transcript #1129)

Resolution to condemn Israel; woes of Roger Clemons; dangers of cotton PJs for kids; women helping women; Carly Simon interview; volunteer home-builders; refugee from Kuwait; Claudia Schiffer interview; colorful plants for winter; Joel's video picks for the month.

Geraldo October 11, 1990 (Transcript #801)

AIDS, Lies and Rumors: PWAs and victims of rumors discuss the discrimination they have felt from friends, the public and the media. They explain how ignorance and an uninformed public cause pain and problems.

Larry King Live (CNN) October 11, 1990 (Transcript #148)

Merv Griffin: The entertainer and entrepreneur discusses his real-estate battles with Donald Trump, his recent weight loss and answers questions from viewers.

Moneyline (CNN) October 11, 1990 (Transcript #203)

Stocks plunge for the third day in a row; Michael Milken's sentencing hearings begin; Tokyo stocks down; Congress considers some conflicting statements on the budget; retailers in Southern California have already begun to count the days to Christmans, hoping they won't be counting up losses.

Nightline (ABC) October 11, 1990 (Transcript #2449)

The Future of Kuwait: As Iraq literally tries to wipe Kuwait off the map, its government-in-exile and citizens press the U.S. to intervene militarily. But what type of government should they return to? Is there hope for the pro-democracy movement, a free press and the rights of women in a rebuilt Kuwait?

Primetime Live (ABC) October 11, 1990 (Transcript #162)

''Up From the Bottom'' (former Redskins star Dexter Manley tries for reinstatement to the NFL); ''Political Destiny'' (ousted Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's struggle for re-election); ''Toxic Nightmare'' (Jacksonville, Arkansas, residents fight an EPA plan to incinerate the town's toxic waste); ''A Turning Point'' (a portrait of dancer Mikhail Baryshnikov at 42).

Sally Jessy Raphael October 11, 1990 (Transcript #549)

Nightmare Nannies: Mothers whose children were abused or murdered by babysitters talk about what to look for in a child- care provider and give advice on how to avoid the horrors they went through. They say the most important thing is to check references and to look at the person's medical records, to find out if there is a history of emotional or physical abuse.

Oprah Winfrey Show October 11, 1990 (Transcript #1064)

My Husband Killed Our Daughter: Women whose daughters were killed at the hands of their husbands share the pain, guilt and shame of their tragic stories. Grief counselor Steve Sunderland, a member of the board of Parents of Murdered Children, offers advice on how to cope with this horror.

Weekend Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Nashville Mayor's Public Love Affair Sally Jessy Raphael: Healing the Child Within Geraldo: Male Vanity - The Man in the Mirror Oprah Winfrey: Backstabbing Best Friends 60 Minutes: Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem; The Chief (addicted police Chief); Aretha Franklin 20/20: MTA (subway ripoff artists); Dartmouth Review (William Cole controversy); Roseanne (Barr).

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TOKYO (OCT. 12) KYODO - PASSENGER AIRFARES AND CARGO RATES ON INTERNATIONAL

FLIGHTS FROM JAPAN WILL BE RAISED 7 PERCENT FROM DECEMBER 1 DUE TO CLIMBING FUEL COSTS TRIGGERED BY THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS, ON OFFICIAL AT JAPAN AIRLINES CO. (JAL) SAID FRIDAY.

THE DECISION WAS MADE IN A MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL AIR TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION (IATA) HELD IN GENEVA ON THURSDAY, HE SAID.

THE IATA IN AUGUST DECIDED TO RAISE INTERNATIONAL AIRFARES BY 5 TO 8 PERCENT EXCEPT FOR FLIGHTS FROM JAPAN.

JAL AND ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS (ANA) AT THAT TIME OPPOSED THE INCREASE, CLAIMING THAT FUTURE MOVES OF OIL PRICES WERE UNCLEAR AND THE DECISION WAS TOO EARLY, ACCORDING TO THE JAL OFFICIAL. THEY WITHDREW THEIR OPPOSITION BECAUSE CRUDE OIL PRICES HAVE KEPT RISING SINCE THEN AND IT DOES NOT APPEAR THAT PRICES WILL COME DOWN IN THE NEAR FUTURE, HE SAID.

THE PRICE OF KEROSENE, FOR INSTANCE, IN SINGAPORE ROSE TO ABOUT 60 U.S. DOLLARS PER BARREL BY THE END OF SEPTEMBER FROM AROUND 22 DOLLARS AT THE END OF JULY, HE SAID.

WITH THE NEW AGREEMENT AT THE IATA, JAL, AND ANA WILL FILE AN APPLICATION FOR THE RISE WITH THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY BY THE END OF OCTOBER, AND JAPAN AIR SYSTEM CO., WHICH IS NOT A MEMBER OF THE IATA, WILL PROBABLY FOLLOW SUIT, THE OFFICIAL SAID.

THE MINISTRY, HOWEVER, HAS APPEARED TO BE RELUCTANT TO APPROVE HIGHER AIRFARES AND THERE IS A POSSIBILITY OF THE APPLICATIONS BEING REJECTED, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL.

IF THAT HAPPENS, THE ISSUE WILL AGAIN BE BROUGHT BACK TO THE IATA, HE ADDED.

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#90285k0027 10/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (OCT. 12) KYODO - TOYO TIRE AND RUBBER CO. HAS PURCHASED A DUTCH COMPANY THAT HOLDS ALL EQUITY IN ITS FOUR SALES AGENTS IN THE NETHERLANDS AND FRANCE FOR SOME 400 MILLION YEN, THE LEADING TIRE MAKER SAID FRIDAY.

THE ACQUISITION OF VAN KLEEF HOUDSTERMAATSCHAPPIJ B.V. IS DESIGNED TO SECURE A THIRD MARKETING FOOTHOLD IN EUROPE TO EXPAND TOYO TIRE'S SALES NETWORK AHEAD OF THE 1992 MARKET INTEGRATION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC), IT SAID.

TOYO TIRE AND RUBBER HAS ALREADY SET UP SALES UNITS IN GERMANY AND BRITAIN.

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#90285k0030 10/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 12) KYODO - THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF JAPAN SAID FRIDAY IT WILL

ISSUE ITS FIRST BONDS DENOMINATED IN EUROPEAN CURRENCY UNIT (ECU).

THE FIVE-YEAR, 10.625 PERCENT BOND WILL BE LISTED ON THE LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE WITH A MARKET PRICE 1.01625 TIMES FACE VALUE. SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE ISSUE, WORTH 200 MILLION ECUS (ABOUT 34 BILLION YEN), WILL BEGIN ON OCTOBER 19.

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#90285k0034 10/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 12) KYODO - THE BANK OF JAPAN TOLD MONEY MARKET BROKERS FRIDAY IT WILL SELL 800 BILLION YEN WORTH OF DEBT-FINANCING BILLS NEXT MONDAY UNDER 18-DAY REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS MATURING ON NOVEMBER 2.

THE CENTRAL BANK OPERATION IS APPARENTLY DESIGNED TO HELP MOP UP A FUNDS SURPLUS OF 1.1 TRILLION YEN EXPECTED FOR THE DAY, MONEY MARKET BROKERS SAID. THEY ADDED IT WOULD HAVE A NEUTRAL EFFECT ON THE MONEY MARKET.

THE FINANCING BILLS WILL BE SOLD TO BANKS AND BROKERAGE HOUSES VIA SHORT-TERM MONEY HOUSES AT 7.8489 PERCENT, THEY SAID.

FINANCING BILLS ARE A KIND OF SHORT-TERM GOVERNMENT SECURITY ISSUED TO FINANCE SHORT-TERM FUNDS SHORTAGES.

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#90285k0038 10/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 12) KYODO - JAPAN'S FOUR BREWERIES ARE IN A TOUGH BATTLE FOR MARKET SHARE AFTER A MAJOR REALIGNMENT OF SHARE RANKINGS LAST YEAR.

STRONG SALES OF A NEW PRODUCT HAVE CAUSED MANY PEOPLE TO WONDER IF INDUSTRY LEADER KIRIN BREWERY CO. CAN RECOVER 50 PERCENT MARKET SHARE THIS YEAR, AFTER DROPPING BELOW 50 PERCENT LAST YEAR FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1966.

DESPITE KIRIN'S POPULAR NEW BRAND, ''ICHIBANSHIBORI,'' WITH A SMOOTH AND MILD TASTE, THE COMPANY'S SHARE STOOD AT 49.0 PERCENT AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER, INDUSTRY ESTIMATES SHOW.

ASAHI BREWERIES LTD. CAME SECOND WITH 25.2 PERCENT, THEN SAPPORO BREWERIES LTD. WITH 17.9 PERCENT, AND SUNTORY LTD. WITH 7.9 PERCENT.

KIRIN HAS BENEFITED FROM BEER DRINKERS RETURNING TO ITS MAINSTAY LAGER BEER AFTER YEARS OF A DRAFT BEER BOOM. CONSUMER TASTE HAS CHANGED FROM LAST YEAR WHEN SO-CALLED ''DRY'' BEER WAS A BIG HIT.

DRY BEER IS DRAFT BEER WITH HIGHER ALCOHOL AND A MILDER TASTE. IT WAS A PACESETTER IN THE MARKET LAST YEAR AS ITS PIONEER, ASAHI, BOOSTED ITS MARKET SHARE BY MORE THAN 4 PERCENTAGE POINTS TO 24.9 PERCENT, PULLING SAPPORO DOWN FROM SECOND SPOT.

BOOSTED BY A LONG SPELL OF HOT AND DRY WEATHER, THIS SUMMER, BEER SALES HAVE BEEN STRONG. THE EXCEPTION IS SUNTORY, WHICH HAD FLAT SALES IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS THIS YEAR.

SUNTORY IS COUNTING ON ITS NEW PRODUCT, ''BEER NOUVEAU,'' TO BE LAUNCHED LATER THIS MONTH, WHICH ANALYSTS SAY WILL ADD FUEL TO TOUGH COMPETITION.

THEY SAY SUCCESS HINGES ON HOW EACH COMPANY COPES IN WINTER, WHEN BEER CONSUMPTION IS USUALLY LOWER.

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#90285k0042 10/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NAGOYA (OCT. 12) KYODO - TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. SAID FRIDAY IT HAS FORMED A WHOLLY OWNED VEHICLE IMPORT COMPANY IN ITALY IN A BID TO EXPAND ITS SALES NETWORK THERE.

CAPITALIZED AT 500 MILLION LIRA (ABOUT 58 MILLION YEN), TOYOTA MOTOR ITALIA S.P.A. WILL HANDLE IMPORTS OF TOYOTAS UNTIL 1993, BUT THEREAFTER WILL ALSO BEGIN MARKETING TOYOTAS IN ITALY, TOYOTA SAID IN A RELEASE.

TOYOTA ITALIANA S.R.L., A LOCAL CAPITAL CONCERN, HAS SERVED AS A SALES AGENT FOR TOYOTA TO DATE AND WILL CONTINUE ITS SALES OPERATIONS, THE COMPANY SAID.

TOYOTA SAID IT INTENDS TO BOOST ITS SALES IN ITALY TO SOME 6,000 VEHICLES IN 1991 FROM SOME 3,500 IN 1989.

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#90285k0069 10/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (OCT. 12) KYODO - BOEHRINGER INGELHEIM CORP. EAST ASIA, AN AFFILIATE OF A MAJOR GERMAN PHARMACEUTICAL MAKER, BOEHRINGER INGELHEIM INTERNATIONAL GMBH, SAID FRIDAY IT HAS BOUGHT UP YAMAGUCHI PHARMACEUTICAL CO., A MEDIUM-SIZED DRUG COMPANY BASED IN TOKYO.

THE VALUE OF THE ACQUISITION WAS NOT IMMEDIATELY KNOWN. THE GERMAN DRUG MAKER WILL INVEST 800 MILLION YEN TO EXPAND YAMAGUCHI'S PRODUCTION FACILITIES TO ESTABLISH AN INTEGRATED DRUG LINE FOR SALE IN JAPAN, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90285k0084 10/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 12) KYODO - JAPAN'S TOTAL WORK FORCE, INCLUDING FOREIGNERS, NEEDS A MAJOR INCREASE OF 9.2 MILLION WORKERS TO ACHIEVE A GOVERNMENT TARGET OF 1,800 WORKING HOURS PER CAPITA IN 1992, ACCORDING TO AN ESTIMATE RELEASED FRIDAY BY A MAJOR COMMERCIAL BANK.

AS AN ALTERNATIVE, DAI-ICHI KANGYO BANK SAID IN A REPORT THAT THE RATE OF GROWTH IN JAPAN'S AGGREGATE DEMAND, CONSISTING OF THE GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP) AND TOTAL IMPORT VALUES, IS REQUIRED TO SLOW TO AN ANNUAL AVERAGE OF 1.1 PERCENT FROM THE CURRENT 4 PERCENT.

JAPAN'S ANNUAL PER CAPITA WORKING HOURS AVERAGED 2,189 HOURS IN 1988, LONGER BY BETWEEN 200 AND 500 HOURS THAN IN THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

THE FEASIBILITY STUDY ALSO NOTED THAT A FOUR-FOLD INCREASE IN THE RATE OF THE NATION'S TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION WILL ACHIEVE THE SAME RESULT IN SHORTENING LABOR HOURS.

"ACHIEVING SHORTER WORKING HOURS IN JAPAN WOULD NOT BE DONE SO EASILY. BUT A GOOD RESULT CAN BE EXPECTED IF THE GOVERNMENT'S SUPPORT COMBINES WITH CORPORATE EFFORTS AND INVESTMENT AIMED AT HIGHER EFFICIENCY AND LABOR SAVING," BANK ECONOMISTS NOTED IN THE REPORT.

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#90285k0088 10/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 12) KYODO - INDONESIA WILL RAISE THE PRICE OF ITS BENCHMARK MINAS CRUDE OIL BY 7.26 DOLLARS TO 35.29 DOLLARS PER BARREL FOR OCTOBER SHIPMENTS TO JAPAN, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID FRIDAY.

THIS WILL BRING THE PRICE OF MINAS TO THE HIGHEST LEVEL SINCE 1982, THEY SAID.

THE PRICE HIKE IS BASED ON A SURGE IN THE AVERAGE SPOT PRICE OF A BASKET OF MINAS AND FOUR OTHER TYPES OF CRUDE OIL, WHICH SERVES AS THE BASIS OF PRICES FOR INDONESIAN CRUDE SOLD TO JAPAN, THEY SAID.

DEMAND FOR MINAS HAS BEEN STRONG RECENTLY BECAUSE OF A TIGHT SUPPLY OF LIGHT CRUDE OIL IN THE WAKE OF THE INTERNATIONAL OIL EMBARGO AGAINST IRAQ AND KUWAIT FOLLOWING IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

CRUDE OIL IMPORTS FROM INDONESIA ACCOUNT FOR SOME 12.3 PERCENT OF JAPAN'S OVERALL OIL IMPORTS, MAKING INDONESIA THE THIRD LARGEST OIL SUPPLIER AFTER THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES AND SAUDI ARABIA.

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#90285m0001 10/12/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 12) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

The LABOR DEPARTMENT reports this morning that the PRODUCER PRICE INDEX rose

1.6% in September, following a 1.3% increase in August. That is the biggest two-month jump since 1980. Excluding food and energy, the September increase would have been 0.6%. The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT says retail sales rose 1.1% in September, driven by fuel costs. Sales were down 0.4% in August, according to revised figures issued today.

The Nikkei loses 195 points. ... The FTSE is flat at midday. ... U.S. stocks in London are trading higher as the EXMI gains 1.00. ... The dollar is down against the yen. ... The long bond is yielding 9.04%. ... North Sea crude is off 50 cents this morning in Europe to $39.95. New York Mercantile Exchange yesterday. ... INTEL wins a battle with ADVANCED MICRO DEVICES for rights to its 80386 microprocessor. ... The FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION reports a 41% climb in profits for the nine- month period ended Sept. 30. ... Retailers report generally dismal September sales. SEARS same store sales are up 4.4% over last September, K MART up 0.7%, LIMITED down 3% and WOOLWORTH up 2.1%. ... R.H. MACY plans to sell its credit operations to GE CAPITAL.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

PRESIDENT BUSH leaves at noon today for a weekend at Camp David. ... Representatives from the UNITED STATES, CANADA, JAPAN and the EUROPEAN COMMUNITY are in Newfoundland to revive world trade negotiations.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I'm starting to get somewhat encouraged," says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA of GRUNTAL & CO. "There's not much more downside." He explains that since the stock market projects both good and bad news, it could be close to starting to project an upturn in the economy. "The recession is by-and-large here with us now and we're working our way through it," he says, adding that if the Mideast crisis eases and a budget accord is reached so the Fed can ease credit, "then consumers and businessmen will start to feel a little better about themselves, go back to a more normal pattern of living and this recession ... will be shallow. Therefore, the stock market will anticipate ... the coming out of the recession sometime early next year." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/11)

FROM THE BEARS:

"We do not think ... that the bear market has run its course and would treat any recovery in the next couple of months as a temporary respite in a major downtrend," writes ROBERT FERRELL of MERRILL LYNCH in his current market report. (NYT, 10/12)

"The way we're going, we're going to test October 1987 levels" in the over-the-counter market, says PHILIP BENIZZI, head of OTC trading at DILLON READ & CO. (WSJ, 10/12)

"There's nothing that one can see in terms of the fundamentals which would

lead you to believe there is a bottom," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." He says even though there have been "massive" downward revisions in earnings projections, they have not been down enough. "So the earnings that start pouring in next week are going to be very disappointing, even against reduced earnings expectations." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/11)

STOCK MARKET:

"There's no such thing as a straight line in this business - we should get some sort of a bounce," says LEHMAN's MICHAEL BENSON this morning from London where U.S. shares are trading higher. "Down at this level, there's very little supply. A dead cat bounce could turn into a reasonable recovery today on Wall Street." (FNN "World Market Report", 10/12)

"The technical factors are in place for a rally to begin, but this is a market which will be guided by newspapers, not chart books," says EUGENE PERONI, director of research at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT. Until Washington takes charge on the budget, any rallies will be very tentative, says Peroni. Building bearish sentiment is a bullish sign. "The unfortunate thing is that sentiment has not reached an absolute oversold condition." While some good trading rallies could develop, Peroni doubts the downward trend of stocks can be reversed. "The descending trendline resistance is in an accelerating mode ... [and] each day we're loping off 10-15 points of upside potential." (CNBC "World Business", 10/12)

BERNADETTE MURPHY of M. KIMELMAN & CO., says support levels don't mean much in the stock market these days. "There is some support at the 2300 level [on the Dow]. When you ask for support there is some there - 2280 to 2340, somewhere in there - but we seem to be just cutting through support levels. It's very discouraging." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/11)

"This is not fun, but I haven't given up all hope yet," says JOAN LAPPIN, president of GRAMERCY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. "Everybody now thinks we're going off the cliff. But if there's a resolution of the budget - including a solid effort to close the deficit gap - we could be in for a solid bounce."(NYT, 10/12)

"October is also known as the bear killer," says CURTIS HESSLER of the "Professional Timing Service." He believes the technical keys are in place which can trigger the next tradeable rally, possibly fueled this month by interest rates. His interest rate model is turning positive as money supply increases, but he warns against buying too early. (CNBC "World Business", 10/12)

"I think we are getting a confluence of negative events," says WILLIAM KUFTA at PITCAIRN FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT. "This is a scary time." He cites diminishing hopes for a quick resolution in the Mideast, with rising oil

prices, and the growing number of forecasters now starting to see a deeper recession than previously anticipated. His company has raised cash from 30% to 40%. (WSJ, 10/12)

Yesterday's "session smacked of forced liquidation," says MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER. "Any bargain hunters that had come got traumatized." He says Mideast and monetary fears are keeping money out of the market, but that he also can see the light at the end of the tunnel. "I do think we're getting to the tail end of this bear market," says Metz, who predicts the Dow will fall no further than 2250. ("Investor's Daily", 10/12)

"Obviously, everybody is starting to panic," says STAN WEINSTEIN, editor of "The Professional Tape Reader." He says the market is oversold, short-term, but should continue lower after a bounce of as much as 100 points. "The seeds of this drop were sown during the recent rally which was one of the worst bear market rallies I've ever seen." ("Investor's Daily", 10/12)

"Folks are just not sure this is the time to commit" to the stock market, says DICK HOLDEN of ALEX. BROWN & SONS. ("Investor's Daily", 10/12)

"This is a headline market," says DAN WILLIAMS of DILLON, READ & CO. "One piece of news will move this market 50 points." GENE SEAGLE of GRUNTAL & CO., says, "We're building to a strong intermediate bounce to 2700 [on the Dow]." PETER VANDENBERG of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS says: "We'll get a bounce if we get a [federal] budget. You're not going to get a bounce just to get a bounce. Investors want to see some of these themes that plague the market go away." LARRY WACHTEL at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE says: "Investors are paralyzed. Even if they want to make a bet on the economy, they have no idea what to expect out of the Middle East." ("USA Today", 10/12)

STOCK TIPS:

JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA of GRUNTAL & CO. says DUPONT is a good example of a stock that has been hit overly hard in the bear market and one that "will be there when the economy turns." He also likes pharmaceuticals because "their earnings are going to go up rapidly in the years to come. They will take advantage of Europe." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/11)

"Head and shoulders above the rest of the [retail] industry is WOOLWORTH," says JANET MANGANO of JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL INC. "The main reason for that is its exposure to very strong trends in consumer spending in West Germany. Of course, we don't know how long the kind of trend that we have now will be sustained, but it does seem to suggest very strong results for Woolworth this Christmas." (CNBC's "Market Wrap-Up", 10/11)

FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 12) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

The dollar was "down hard" yesterday, according to MARC CHANDLER of the consulting firm IDEA. He says that in addition to the normal economic problems, there are rumors of "Japanese life insurance companies raising their dollar-hedge ratios," says Chandler. "That means they're selling more dollars to reduce their currency risk." ("Investor's Daily", 10/12)

FRANCOISE SOARES-KEMP of CREDIT SUISSE in New York says PRESIDENT BUSH's "twisting and turning in the wind [worsens] the malaise over the U.S.'s inability" to come to grips with the economy, creating an even more negative environment and contributing to an assault on the dollar. (WSJ, 10/12)

Expect long-term rates to remain above 9% over the next 4 few weeks, says DAVID JONES, chief economist at AUBREY G. LANSTON. "If and when we get a budget deal, long rates will rally a bit. But I'm not sure how much below 9% we can go, given the oil price shock and the fact that the Fed will only move a little bit ... in response to the budget cut." Jones looks for a second round of easing in mid-November with fed funds moving to 7.5%. "We're going to have to go a lot further in order for the Fed to effectively counter this recession." (CNN "Business Morning", 10/12)

There's a two tiered Treasury market, says TELERATE's CAROLINE BAUM. "Short rates should stay where they are or prices could even improve. The long end is still the big question mark - we're not seeing any real interest to buy bonds." Uncertainties about the economy make investors want short-term securities, says Baum. Fears about the banking system have increased interest in the Treasury market: "You will get your money back." (FNN "World Market Report", 10/12)

"In recent weeks we've seen a shift in the consensus of economists toward we're now in a recession," says ROBERT MORRIS of CHASE PRIVATE BANKING GROUP. "It's introduced a new level of uncertainty for investors." He predicts that the Fed will ease to counteract the recession as soon as interest rates stop moving up. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/11)

"The auction was not a disaster, but there is a sense that the street picked up the bulk of the issue," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. He was commenting on the government's struggle yesterday to sell $8.5 billion of seven-year notes. (NYT, 10/12)

"People are not interested in buying additional securities, so they swapped securities instead," says one bond trader of yesterday's Treasury auction. "At a time when people are nervous about the market, no one wanted to commit

new money to this market." (WSJ, 10/12)

THE ECONOMY:

"Business stinks," says EDWARD WELLER of MONTGOMERY SECURITIES, summing up the problems being encountered by retailers across the nation. He says he knew business would be weak, "but I didn't think it would stink this bad." KIDDER, PEABODY's DANIEL BARRY says the current "slowdown is psychological," but warns of a coming change. "When you enter the fourth quarter and Christmas with layoffs, the discounters will feel it," says Barry. ("Investor's Daily", 10/12)

"Deep down ... I believe we have to raise taxes in this country," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "Foreigners will only believe we are serious about the budget if we raise taxes. Moreover ... we've got to raise taxes on the upper- and middle-income brackets. Otherwise, the economy will not stabilize. ... Every European or Japanese you speak to - serious people, market-oriented people, not socialists and not the equivalent of left- wind Democrats - all say the United States is undertaxed." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/11)

"The Washington Post" quotes senior officials at ARAMCO as saying SAUDI ARABIA expects to be producing 8 million barrels of crude oil a day by the end of this year and is accelerating its long-range expansion program to reach 10 million barrels a day by 1995. ("The Washington Post", 10/12)

"It's very hard, really, to forecast where the [oil] price will go, but definitely it's going up," says SHEIKH AHMED ZAKI YAMANI, former SAUDI ARABIAN oil minister. "This is the prevailing psychology in the market, the fear of the future, the uncertainty, so we don't really know. It can go to $45 [a barrel] $50, or maybe above." (CNBC's "Market Wrap-Up", 10/11)

"It's a market [oil] that reacts emotionally," says BOB BAKER at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. "It's going to stay that way as long as we have 200,000-plus troops out there" in the Middle East. (NYT, 10/12)

"The bond market was in some disarray [yesterday] and people were very anxious whether the government could sell the 30-year [savings and loan bailout] bonds " says MICHAEL SHERMAN at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "More and more people understand that there is a major problem in the mortgage markets." (WSJ, 10/12)

IN WASHINGTON:

ALAN LERNER, economist at BANKERS TRUST, says budget rhetoric in Washington "is probably the most important factor" in the financial markets. "The financial markets really demand something different than the man in the street who doesn't want to give up a lot of things," he says. "There's not a great

understanding of how the financial system must be stable for the economy to move smoothly. The policy makers pick up on that an aren't really that affected by the day-to-day what's going on in the financial markets." (WSJ, 10/12)

"The wimp is back," declares DEMOCRATIC POLLSTER MIKE MELLMAN, citing PRESIDENT BUSH's flips on taxes and the budget defeat. (WSJ, 10/12)

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LIVERMORE, CA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Triad Systems Corp. (NASDAQ: TRSC) today announced the repurchase of $1 million of its senior extendible reset notes. The transaction brings the total principal amount repurchased to $6 million.

Triad sold $80 million of the senior extendible reset notes last August as part of its recapitalization.

"The repurchases are in keeping with our strategy of prudently reducing our debt when an opportunity arises," said Triad President and Chief Executive Officer James R. Porter.

Triad's reset notes are trading on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol TSC.A. Triad's common stock trades on NASDAQ under the symbol TRSC.

Triad designs, develops, manufactures and supports computer systems which serve the automotive parts aftermarket, retail hardgoods dealers and dental practices. It also provides lease financing to a substantial portion of its customers through its TSC Leasing subsidiary.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The trustees of Mellon Participating Mortgage Trust, Commercial Properties Series 85/10 (NASDAQ: MPMTS) today announced a third quarter dividend of 17 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The dividend is payable Nov. 9, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Oct. 31, 1990. The trustees previously declared dividends of 17 cents for both the first and second quarters.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, approximately 97 percent of the net proceeds of the trust were invested in seven permanent real estate investments, secured by 47 properties located in 19 states. Five of the seven investments, representing

83.5 percent of the portfolio assets, are current and performing as expected. The Hall Street Industrial Complex and the Peachtree Business Center loans, however, continue as non-performing assets.

On Sept. 26, 1990, the Supreme Court of the State of New York for Kings County granted the trust's motion for the appointment of a receiver for the Hall Street Business Center. The appointment of a receiver was sought by the advisor earlier this year immediately following the failure to conclude a negotiated settlement with the borrower. The trust is actively pursuing all of its legal options, including foreclosure, to protect the interests of shareholders.

As previously reported to shareholders, on April 12, 1990, the trust acquired the Peachtree Business Center, located in Atlanta, through a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure. Following a review of local market conditions, the advisor has estimated the fair market value of Peachtree to be $1.7 million as of April 12 1990. Peachtree had been carried on the trust's balance sheet as a value of $2.6 million, resulting in a write-down in asset value of $900,000. This adjustment will be reflected in the third quarter results of operations. The trust's advisor is actively seeking tenants to lease the remaining vacant space while reviewing proposals for purchase. As reported previously, it is anticipated that a portion of the 1990 dividend payment will be a return of capital related to the write down of this property.

John McMahan, president of the trust and chief executive officer of Mellon/McMahan Real Estate Advisors, Inc., the trust's advisor, noted the discount reflected in the current market price of the trust's shares when compared to book value. McMahan stated that he believes that the discount in real estate-related securities, including REITs, is attributable to the market's reaction to the economy in general and the real estate market in particular.

Mellon Participating Mortgage Trust, Commercial Properties Series 85/10, is a finite-life real estate investment trust, fully invested in participating, shared appreciation, convertible and fixed-rate mortgages and joint venture financing secured by office, retail and research development facilities located throughout the United States.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - James P. Lennane, chairman of the ASK Shareholders Committee, announced today that he intends to continue his lawsuit against ASK Computer Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: ASKI) and its board of directors. He said he will seek appropriate legal remedies, including damages

resulting from "the breach by ASK's board of directors of its fiduciary obligations to shareholders" in approving the sale of 42 percent of its stock to Hewlett-Packard Company (NYSE: HWP) and Electronic Data Systems Corporation to finance the acquisition of Ingres Corporation and in "subjecting ASK shareholders to the harmful consequences" of delisting their stock from the NASDAQ/National Market System. Lennane also stated that the committee will continue to seek support of ASK shareholders at the Oct. 26 annual meeting to elect its three nominees.

Lennane noted that although the Delaware Chancery Court decided not to grant the extraordinary remedy of enjoining the HWP-EDS transaction, the court nevertheless found substantial merit to his claims at this stage of the lawsuit. In commenting on the claim that defendants had failed to exercise due care in electing not to submit the transaction to a shareholder vote, the court stated that "the level of formality and documentation surrounding the consideration and authorization of these proposed transactions appears, to state the matter gently, dismaying." The court further stated that "it appears at this stage that ASK is governed with a level of informality wholly appropriate to a private firm, but less than optimum for a firm with public shareholders."

The court was also "deeply troubled" by certain provisions in the agreement among ASK, HWP and EDS which may evidence an "entrenchment purpose" on the part of ASK's board of directors.

Lennane stated his belief that "the court's decision further supports the notion that ASK is being haphazardly managed by a self- interested few, without due regard to shareholders." With that in mind, Lennane concluded that he fully intends to continue his efforts "to return control over the direction of ASK to its shareholders, to restore and enforce shareholder democracy and to maximize shareholder value."

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ELIZABETH, NJ (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Faced with the rapid growth of its $45 million-a-year commercial interior design and furniture sales firm, BFI recently opened a new office in Parsippany and relocated its Princeton branch to Monmouth Junction.

The 43-year-old company, which phased in a name change to BFI from Business Furniture Inc. during the past year, now has a branch office located at 10 Lanidex Center West in Parsippany.

The phone number of the new branch is 201-503-0730. In an effort to obtain

additional space in central Jersey, the Princeton office recently moved to larger facilities at 1100 Cornwall Road in Monmouth Junction and can now be reached at 201-821-5455.

With the establishment of a New York branch in 1979, BFI began expanding beyond it 133 Rahway Ave. headquarters building here. The New York branch has expanded three times, and is presently located on 26th Street.

"There's been so much growth in Manhattan, I don't think we've ever gone to the end of our lease," said BFI President Paul Gold.

The Princeton branch opened in 1988, followed by Parsippany this year. Aside from physical and fiscal growth, BFI "has grown beyond just selling business furniture," Gold added, noting that the company offers a full range of professional services, including relocation and project management, through its Euthenics division.

"We will advise the client, we want to be their consultant," said Gold. "We're no longer just order-takers."

The 165-employee company counts the United Nations, the State of New Jersey, the Federal Reserve Bank, Jersey Central Power & Light, SeaLand Services, Johnson & Johnson, Bendix and Guardian Life Insurance Co. among the clients it has served.

BFI is the largest metropolitan New York dealer for Herman Miller Inc., one of the leading office furniture manufacturers in the country.

Other manufacturers represented by BFI include Kimball International Inc., Gunlocke Inc. and Meridian Inc.

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DALLAS (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - E-Systems (NYSE: ESY) today announced record high third quarter and nine months sales and earnings from continuing operations.

Third quarter sales for the broad-based intelligence, surveillance and communications systems and products company were $439 million, versus 1989 third quarter sales of $402 million.

Sales for the first nine months of this year reached $1.335 billion, up from sales of $1.193 billion for the same period last year.

Net income from continuing operations for the third quarter was $24.1 million,

or 77 cents a share versus $21.3 million, or 68 cents a share for the same quarter last year.

Nine months income from continuing operations was $68.6 million, or $2.20 a share, compared to 1989 nine months income of $60.0 million, or $1.92 cents a share. Nine months net income was impacted by a second quarter $8.6 million, or 28 cents a share, charge against discontinued operations.

Considering this charge, net income for the first three quarters of 1990 amounted to $60.0 million, or $1.92 a share.

Bookings of firm new orders during the GENERAL PURPOSE PASS-ALL UP AND RUNNING third quarter amounted to $597 million. Backlog of unfilled orders at the end of September was $2.429 billion, up from backlog of $2.269 billion at the end of June.

Commenting on the company's financial results, Gene Keiffer, chairman and chief executive officer of E-Systems, said, "Sales and profits were slightly better than our expectations and profit margins continued to improve."

E-Systems is a major worldwide developer and producer of electronic systems and products in the areas of intelligence, reconnaissance and surveillance systems, command and control, electronic warfare, specialized aircraft maintenance and modification, guidance, navigation and control, communications and data systems.

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TORONTO (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Cineplex Odeon Corporation (NYSE: CPX) announced today that MCA Inc. (NYSE: MCA) and The Claridge Group have provided approximately $40 million U.S. ($20 million U.S. each) in subordinated loans to Cineplex Odeon Corporation in accordance with the previously announced undertaking agreement between the major shareholders and the corporation's bankers. These funds were utilized to reduce the corporation's term debt. The loans were made by reason of the failure of the corporation to realize $160 million U.S. in cumulative net proceeds from asset sales by Sept. 30, 1990, as required by its bank agreements. Terms of the subordinated loans remain to be agreed.

Cineplex Odeon is one of the largest theatre circuits in North America, with approximately 1,680 screens in 415 locations in Canada and the United States.

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#90285p4089 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Barnett Banks, Inc. (NYSE: BBI) today reported third quarter earnings of $25.8 million, or $0.41 a share. For the first nine months, Barnett earned $99.8 million, or $1.59 a share.

Florida's leading banking company earned $64.9 million, or $1.02 a share, in the third quarter of 1989. The company made $191.7 million, or $3.04 a share, in the first nine months of that year, which included a $15.6 million non-recurring, after-tax gain on the sale of TeleCheck Southcoast.

Earnings in the latest quarter continued to reflect increased reserves set aside for possible future loan losses.

Barnett provided $100.7 million against possible loan losses in the third quarter increasing the loan loss reserve to $370.1 million, or 1.55 percent of loans. The reserve has increased $130 million, or 54 percent, from $240 million (or 1.11 percent of loans) on Sept. 30, 1989. Net chargeoffs were $63.5 million compared to $29.2 million last year.

Third quarter results reflect the use of a revised methodology for determining the loan loss reserve adopted in the first quarter of 1990. This new methodology is more sensitive to changes in nonperforming and other classified loans, producing a more rapid impact on earnings.

Barnett's non-performing assets increased to $598 million on Sept. 30, up from $467 million on June 30. Non-performing loans stood at 1.65 percent of total outstandings on Sept. 30. Of total non-performing loans, $102 million, or 25 percent, were either less than 90 days past due or currently paying interest.

During the quarter, a decision was made to transfer $88 million in loans in the process of foreclosure to a category of other real estate known as insubstance foreclosure. This resulted in significant chargeoffs as their values were written down to 90 percent of the properties' current appraised values. These chargeoffs represented 28 percent of net chargeoffs for the quarter.

The company continued its policy of not taking one-time gains in order to offset higher expenses related to credit quality.

The chairman noted that Barnett's earnings power continued to expand. Pre-tax income before loan loss provisions and writedowns on foreclosed property rose 5 percent to $142 million in the third quarter, reflecting Barnett's continued growth in the expanding Florida market.

Average loans for the third quarter were up 12 percent from a year ago, while deposits were up 16 percent. Loan growth continued to be paced by increases in single-family residential mortgages and consumer loans, which rose 22

percent and 15 percent, respectively, from a year ago. Barnett's chargeoffs in these areas are below industry averages. Total commercial real estate loans dropped for the third straight quarter. As of Sept. 30, consumer loans and residential mortgages represented 61 percent of Barnett's loan portfolio.

On Oct. 1, Barnett acquired approximately $800 million in deposits of the Florida division of Empire Savings Bank of America from the Resolution Trust Corporation for a premium of $3.1 million. It was Barnett's seventh acquisition of a failed financial institution this year. Those institutions had more than $2.7 billion in deposits when acquired.

Barnett's book value rose in the third quarter to $27.61 per share. The company's stockholders' equity was $1.6 billion on Sept. 30.

With $31.4 billion in assets and 590 offices in Florida and Georgia, Barnett is Florida's leading banking company and the 20th largest in the country. Its common stock (BBI) is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

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WESTLAKE VILLAGE, Calif. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Delphi Information Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: DLPH), today announced that at its annual shareholders meeting the shareholders overwhelmingly approved its slate of directors submitted for election. Luther J. Nussbaum was the newest board member elected. Nussbaum has been chairman and chief executive officer of Evernet Systems Inc., a national systems integration company, since 1989.

For the three years prior to joining Evernet, Nussbaum served as president and chief operating officer of Ashton-Tate, a leading microcomputer database company. From 1983 to 1986, he was senior vice president of marketing and operations of Businessland, a large microcomputer reseller. Board members re-elected were Donald L. Lucas, Richard R. Janssen, Walter F. Bauer, Kenneth W. Bitticks and Larry G. Gerdes. Richard Janssen, president and chief executive officer, stated, "We welcome the addition of Mr. Nussbaum as his broad sales and marketing experience complements the mix of our current board."

Headquartered in Westlake Village, Delphi is the largest independent developer and marketer of automation systems for insurance agents and brokers in the property and casualty insurance field. The Delphi system provides agency productivity and profitability increases through total agency automation, encompassing integrated functions of policy information, accounting, financial reporting, prospect management and cross selling, claims administration, management reporting, office administration, integrated rating and electronic

interface with insurance carriers.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Columbia Gas Development Corp., the Houston-based oil and gas exploration and production subsidiary of The Columbia Gas System Inc. (NYSE: CG), today announced the successful completion of Lewton No. 1, a horizontal field development well located in the Pearsall Field in Frio County, Texas.

The well tested at a rate of 520 barrels of oil and 166,000 cubic feet of gas per day through an 18/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 450 p.s.i., according to John P. Bornman, president of Columbia Gas Development. Columbia Gas Development has a 37.15 percent working interest. Hinton Production Co., of Mt. Pleasant, Texas, the operator of the well, and other participants share the remaining interest.

This is the third successful horizontal well in an aggressive drilling program that Columbia and its partners have planned for the Pearsall Field. Three additional wells are planned during 1990. Columbia Development is also involved in horizontal drilling programs in the Giddings Field of Texas and in the Bakken Formation of North Dakota.

Columbia Gas Development is actively engaged in domestic oil and gas exploration, production and marketing along the Gulf Coast (both onshore and offshore), California, and in the mid-continent and Rocky Mountain regions.

Other Columbia Gas System subsidiaries located in Charleston, W.Va., and Calgary, Alberta, carry out the System's oil and gas exploration and production efforts in the Appalachian Basin and Canada. Columbia's exploration and production capital budget for 1990 exceeds $200 million.

The Columbia Gas System Inc. is one of the nation's largest natural gas systems. Subsidiary companies are engaged in the exploration, production, purchase, storage, transmission and distribution of natural gas. Columbia companies serve, directly or indirectly, more than 8 million customers in 14 states and the District of Columbia.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Genetics Institute, Inc. (NASDAQ: GENI)

today reported a net loss of $5,320,000, or 45 cents per share (after preferred dividends of $1,150,000), on revenues of $9,381,000 for the third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990. This is compared with a net loss of $4,613,000, or 33 cents per share, on revenues of $10,365,000 for the same period last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company reported a net loss of $20,216,000, or $1.66 per share (after preferred dividends of $3,450,000), on revenues of $27,130,000. This is compared with a net loss of $12,359,000, or 88 cents per share, on revenues of $35,344,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

Garen Bohlin, executive vice president of Genetics Institute, said decreases in the supply of bulk protein to certain of the company's marketing partners from 1989 levels contributed to the increased loss year-to-year. However, Bohlin noted that these manufacturing revenue shortfalls were partially offset by revenues resulting from the recent market launches of the company's erythropoietin (EPO) products in Europe and Japan. "Increasing royalties on the sale of EPO products by our marketing partners are expected to contribute to improved financial performance in the future," commented Bohlin.

Genetics Institute is a leading biotechnology firm engaged in the discovery and development of human pharmaceuticals through recombinant DNA and other technologies. The company has a diversified portfolio of licensed and proprietary pharmaceutical products. Its first product, EPO, is on the market in Europe and Japan. Three products: EPO, Factor VIII and GM-CSF have been submitted for approval to the FDA by the company's marketing partners for these products. Genetics Institute's first proprietary product, macrophage colony-stimulating factor (M-CSF), is in clinical testing.

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ALLISON PARK, PA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Laurel Savings Association (NASDAQ: LARL) Oct. 11 declared a 8.3 percent increase in the association's quarterly cash dividend, it was announced.

The dividend was increased from $0.06 per share to $0.065 per share and is payable Nov. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 31, 1990.

In discussing the dividend, Edwin R. Maus, president and chief executive officer, stated, "The increase in Laurel Savings' dividend expresses our confidence in the ongoing profitablity and growth of the association and our commitment to providing a stable return to our stockholders."

Laurel Savings Association is a 103-year-old, Pennsylvania-chartered, SAIF-insured savings association with six offices in Allegheny and Butler counties.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal International, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: UNIV) announced today the public offering of 985,000 shares of its new $.05 par value common stock through an underwriting group managed by Craig-Hallum, Inc., Minneapolis. Of the 985,000 shares, 60,000 shares are being sold by a selling shareholder.

The shares are being offered at $5, with the net proceeds of approximately $4.3 million to be used to reduce short-term borrowings and increase working capital to support Universal's continued expansion. The underwriters have an over-allotment option to acquire an additional 92,500 shares.

The company also announced completion of a recapitalization which involved a conversion of its previously issued and outstanding Class A and Class B common stock into the new class of $.05 par value common stock on a 1-for-1 basis and a 4-for-1 stock split of the resulting common stock. Upon conclusion of the offering, the company will have 3,317,000 shares outstanding.

Universal International is one of the nation's largest buyers and sellers of quality "close-out" merchandise at the wholesale level. Headquartered in Minneapolis, the company operates product showrooms in Philadelphia, Los Angeles and Chicago.

The company's common stock will trade on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "UNIV."

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BALA CYNWYD, Pa. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Germantown Savings Bank (NASDAQ: GSBK) reported today that net income for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased to $10 million from $6.8 million in the comparable 1989 period.

Earnings per share for the nine-month period were $2.49, which included a 59-cent benefit from the utilization of tax loss carryforwards. Earnings per share for the same 1989 period were $1.68 and included a 51-cent tax benefit.

Earnings before the extraordinary credit for the nine-month period were $7.7 million, or $1.90 per share, compared to $4.7 million or $1.17 per share.

Net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $2.4 million, compared with $2.3 million for the similar period of 1989. Earnings per share were 60 cents and included an 11-cent tax benefit, compared with 58 cents which included an 18-cent tax benefit for the third quarter last year. Earnings per share before the extraordinary credit improved to 49 cents from 40 cents a year ago.

The financial statements for the first two quarters of 1990 have been restated to reflect an increase in net income, representing an extraordinary credit from the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards. The extraordinary credit for the first quarter amounted to $600,000 and increased net income per share by 15 cents to 67 cents. For the second quarter, the extraordinary credit was $1.3 million and increased net income by 33 cents to $1.22 per share.

Net interest income for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased to $31.5 million from $31.4 million in the similar period of 1989. For the third quarter of 1990, net interest income grew to $11 million from $10.2 million in the third quarter of 1989.

According to Martin I. Kleppe, chairman of the board and president of GSB, "We continue to be pleased with the quality of the Bank's loan portfolio. In these unsettling economic and political times, GSB's asset quality, capital adequacy and core earnings remain strong and position us well to weather such an environment."

Total stockholders' equity reached $95.6 million, or $23.74 per share, at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $83.5 million, or $20.75 per share, as of Sept. 30, 1989. Total assets were $1.38 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990, an increase from $1.36 billion a year ago.

At its regular monthly meeting on Oct. 11, 1990, the board of directors of Germantown Savings Bank declared a dividend of 10 cents per share payable Dec. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Nov. 15, 1990. The board announced that it will again consider declaring a dividend in April 1991, to be paid during the second quarter of 1991.

Germantown Savings Bank, headquartered in Bala Cynwyd, is a state- chartered, FDIC-insured stock savings bank with 28 offices in the Pennsylvania counties of Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia.

GERMANTOWN SAVINGS BANK
(Dollars in thousands except per share data)
(unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months	Nine months

Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total interest income	$32,379	$31,470	$95,304	$92,765
Total interest expense	21,348	21,238	63,756	61,360
Net interest income	11,031	10,232	31,548	31,405
Provision for possible loan losses	900	900	2,100	2,850
Net Security (losses)	(1,043)	(203)	(1,140)	(1,609)
Gain from sale of bank offices	---	---	1,874	---
Other non-interest income	988	868	2,953	2,605
Non-interest expenses	7,662	7,408	23,097	21,923
Income before taxes and extraordinary credit	2,414	2,589	10,038	7,628
Applicable income taxes	434	970	2,380	2,917
Income before extraordinary credit	1,980	1,619	7,658	4,711
Extraordinary credit	434	721	2,380	2,064
Net income	2,414	2,340	10,038	6,775
Earning per share:				
Income before extraordinary credit	$ 0.49	$ 0.40	$ 1.90	$ 1.17
Extraordinary credit	0.11	0.18	0.59	0.51
Net income	0.60	0.58	2.49	1.68
Book value per share	$ 23.74	$ 20.75	$ 23.74	$ 20.75
Return on average assets, annualized (pct.)	0.69	0.69	0.97	0.67
Equity to assets (pct.)	6.91	6.16	6.91	6.16
Regulatory capital to regulatory assets (pct.)	7.77	6.93	7.77	6.93

(unaudited)

As of Sept. 30	1990	1989
Total assets	$1,382,810	$1,356,001
Cash and cash equivalents	62,151	91,906
Investment securities, net	387,344	378,244
Loans, net	903,381	858,578
Allowance for possible loan losses	12,948	11,277
Deposits	1,275,434	1,236,264
Stockholders' equity	95,566	83,502
Common shares outstanding	4,025,000	4,025,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Infotechnology, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ITCH) and Deloitte & Touche today announced that they have mutually agreed to a

termination of Deloitte's engagement as Infotech's independent accountants. Coopers & Lybrand has been retained to replace Deloitte effective immediately and will perform an audit of Infotech's fiscal 1990 financial statements as expeditiously as possible.

Deloitte also informed Infotech, and its 97 percent owned subsidiary, United Press International, Inc., that its opinions as to Infotech's and UPI's fiscal 1989 financial statements should no longer be relied upon or associated with such financial statements. Coopers & Lybrand has also been engaged as UPI's new auditors.

The decision to change auditors at Infotech, and the withdrawal of the Deloitte 1989 opinion, occurred because of issues relating to Financial News Network, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FNNI) which is 47 percent owned by Infotech and is material to Infotech's financial statements. These issues are the subject of a public announcement issued by FNN today.

Infotechnology, Inc. is an integrated communications and information company positioned to meet the needs of businesses and consumers with fast, easy-to-use information products of economic value to its customers.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Financial News Network Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FNNI) has terminated the engagement of its independent auditors, Deloitte & Touche.

FNN has engaged Coopers & Lybrand to perform the audit of its financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. The change in auditors was made by FNN's board of directors on the recommendation of its Audit Committee because the Audit Committee was unable to satisfy itself that Deloitte would be able to complete the audit work in a timely fashion.

Subsequent to its termination, Deloitte notified FNN that its opinion on FNN's 1989 financial statements should no longer be relied upon or associated with such statements. Deloitte stated that its action with respect to the 1989 opinion was based on information that had come to its attention since the date of the opinion, and which had not been resolved at the time of Deloitte's termination, relating to (1) transactions involving FNN and United Press International, Inc. relating to payments for utilization of FNN's vertical blanking interval by UPI and other inter-corporate transactions between UPI and FNN; (2) the existence and value of assets used by FNN which were formerly used in the TelShop operations discontinued in fiscal 1989, and (3) the representations made to Deloitte in connection with its audit of 1989

financial statements by FNN's former chief financial officer.

As previously reported, with respect to the 1990 financial statements, Deloitte has advised FNN management that, based upon information provided to Deloitte by FNN, Deloitte did not agree with FNN's accounting for two related party transactions, one regarding $28 million involved in the development of the FNN:PRO product and the other, several sales and leasebacks of data receivers.

Issues remaining open at the time of Deloitte's termination, which FNN has agreed will be reviewed with its new auditors promptly, include the following: (a) revenues recognized from and advances to Institutional Research Network as to funding of development of the FNN:PRO product; (b) ownership issues and sale and leaseback transactions involving data receiver units; (c) the vertical blanking interval and other transactions between UPI and FNN; (d) the status of certain leased and owned assets and the reliability of the records related thereto; (e) the issues with respect to the former TelShop assets; and (f) the deferral of certain programming costs. Coopers & Lybrand has agreed to commence its audit immediately, so that FNN can complete and file its annual report with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form 10-K, as expeditiously as possible. FNN has authorized Deloitte to furnish all information about its audit work to Coopers & Lybrand.

FNN also announced that it has terminated the employment of C. Steven Bolen, its former chief financial officer, who has been on administrative leave since FNN's management and Audit Committee were informed of questions about payments to him. A committee of FNN's board of directors has determined that Bolen received compensation payments that were not properly authorized and were not properly identified on FNN's books, and has also determined that certain bank accounts administered under Bolen's direction were not properly recorded. FNN believes that all funds in the bank accounts have now been properly accounted for and recorded. FNN has placed two other members of its accounting staff on leave and is reviewing their status.

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#90285p4111 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Kaiser Steel Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: KSRI, effective Oct. 16, 1990) announced today that the Internal Revenue Service has issued a credit to the company as a result of re-adjustments of prior years' tax liabilities of the company's predecessor, Kaiser Steel Corp.

Richard E. Stoddard, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The IRS has advised us of an approximate $13 million credit resulting from the incorrect

calculation of interest on certain adjustments made to prior years' tax returns." The IRS also advised Kaiser that it has offset a portion of the credit against income tax and federal unemployment tax liabilities due from the company as a result of the bankruptcy proceedings. "These previously accrued liabilities of approximately $6 million have been totally eliminated as a result of the offset," Stoddard noted.

Stoddard also stated that the application of the remaining approximately $7 million credit is unresolved at this time pending resolution of a $72 million claim by the IRS against the bankruptcy estate. "The company has successfully challenged before the Bankruptcy Court the entire $72 million claim of the IRS. Our position and the determination of the Bankruptcy Court have been upheld by the United States District Court," he added. The IRS has indicated its intent to appeal the decision to the United States Court of Appeals. Stoddard indicated that the company intends to pursue settlement discussions with the IRS regarding the remaining credit and the IRS claim, and that it currently is not possible to determine what amounts, if any, would be refunded. Under Kaiser's Plan of Reorganization, any refund would first be used to reimburse the company for remaining expenses of its bankruptcy. The remaining balance of any refund would become payable directly to former creditors of the KSC bankruptcy estate.

Kaiser Steel Resources, the restructured successor of Kaiser Steel Corp.'s Chapter 11 bankruptcy, is engaged in the development of a rail-haul solid waste landfill, land remediation and development, and water resources.

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#90285p4113 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

IONIA, MICH. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Independent Bank Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: IBCP), the Ionia-based bank holding company, reported today that its net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $1,044,000 or $.42 per common share, fully diluted. In 1989, third-quarter earnings were $676,000 or $.27 per share, fully diluted.

Loren C. Adgate, the corporation's president and chief executive officer, issued the report and pointed out, "Third-quarter results this year include a gain of $401,000 ($265,000, net of tax) on the sale of our credit card portfolios. But even if this non-recurring gain is not considered, income for the three-month period increased, year to year, reflecting a continued strengthening of our operations."

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, income before an extraordinary item was $2,138,000 ($.85 per share, fully diluted). Net income, which reflects a

$92,000 (net of tax) extraordinary item associated with a partial redemption of convertible debentures, was $2,046,000 ($.82 per share, fully diluted). One year ago, net income for the first nine months was $1,995,000 ($.80 per share, fully diluted).

Adgate also said that in addition to the extraordinary item and the sale of credit cards, there are other factors to consider when making comparisons of 1990 year-to-date results with those of 1989:

-- 1990 income reflects an $83,000 loss on securities (largely due to the write down of certain securities held for sale) while a gain of $21,000 on sale of securities was recorded in 1989.

-- The corporation has incurred over $160,000 in expenses so far this year reviewing and consolidating additional operations. This effort could result in annual reductions in non-interest expenses of as much as $400,000 beginning in 1991.

The gain on the sale of credit card operations, which added $.10 to fully diluted earnings per share in the nine-month period, has essentially offset these charges against earnings.

On Sept. 30, 1990, the corporation's total assets were $331,767,000. Total deposits were $297,047,000, loans outstanding were $223,039,000 and shareholders' equity was $24,159,000. One year earlier, total assets were $323,254,000 and total deposits were $288,983,000. Loans outstanding were $218,148,000 and shareholders' equity was $22,357,000.

Independent Bank Corporation has three affiliate banks: Independent Bank, Ionia; Independent Bank West Michigan, Rockford; and Independent Bank South Michigan, Leslie. The three banks operate 26 offices serving 23 communities in western and central Michigan. The corporation's common stock is traded in the over-the-counter market and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol IBCP.

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#90285p4129 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DIBOLL, TEXAS (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Temple-Inland Inc. (NYSE: TIN) earnings per share of $1.02 in the quarter were up slightly from the $1.01 per share earned in the third quarter 1989. Net income was $56.5 million on revenues of $604.5 million. Combined operating earnings were down by $14.9 million to $74.4 million. Net income improved modestly due to a significantly lower tax rate resulting from the ownership and consolidation of Guaranty Federal Savings Bank.

Container and containerboard group had operating earnings of $35.3 million, down 33 percent from the third quarter of last year.

Despite record box shipments and strong mill production, margins have continued to shrink because of increased costs and price erosion. Margin erosion could accelerate as the impact of increasing oil costs is felt.

The company recently announced a box price increase, the first in two and one-half years, in order to restore prices and recover some of the substantial cost increases it has incurred for energy, labor, wood, chemicals and transportation. With record containerboard export demand, strong domestic demand, balanced inventories and high mill operating rates, conditions appear to be right for this much- needed price relief.

Earnings from the bleached paperboard group were $24.3 million, down from the $31.5 million in the third quarter of last year. Prices for the bleached paperboard products remain stable. The decline in profitability was the result of margin erosion from escalating costs and decreased tonnage production due to maintenance-related problems.

The company's building products group had a poor quarter with earnings of $1.8 million, down from the $6.4 million in the third quarter last year. Construction activities have not recovered as anticipated and, in fact, have remained at very depressed levels. Prices for most of the products declined sharply during the third quarter. Since the fourth quarter is traditionally a poor period for construction, building material markets can be expected to remain depressed throughout the remainder of the year.

The financial services group had another excellent quarter with profits of $12.7 million, in line with earnings levels of the first two quarters.

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#90285p4133 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLYMOUTH, MICH. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Wavemat Inc. today announced the change of its stock symbol from WVMT to WVMTC, effective immediately. Wavemat's common stock will continue to be included for quotation in the National Association of Securities Dealers' Automated Quotations System ("NASDAQ") via an exception from the capital and surplus requirements.

While Wavemat failed to meet this requirement as of June 30, 1990, the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD") has granted a temporary exception from this standard until Dec. 1, 1990, subject to Wavemat meeting certain conditions. While the company believes it can meet these conditions, there can be no assurance that it will do so. If at some future

date the company's securities should cease to be quoted on the NASDAQ system, they should continue to be quoted in the over-the-counter market. For the duration of the exception, the company's NASDAQ symbol will be WVMTC.

Wavemat designs, manufactures and markets proprietary microwave equipment for processing of advanced materials. Products range from standard modules for process research and development, to products for production integration and turnkey development systems incorporating Wavemat's patented technology.

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#90285p4135 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Kaiser Steel Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: KSRI, effective Oct. 16, 1990) announced today the receipt of $3 million from a September distribution of approximately $19 million in litigation settlement proceeds. The payment reimburses the company for various litigation, tax and claims-related expenses incurred through the company's reorganization in November 1988.

Kaiser's subsidiary, KSC Recovery Inc., which made the distribution, is responsible for pursuing the adversary litigation on behalf of the bankruptcy estate of the former steelmaker, Kaiser Steel Corp. According to Richard E. Stoddard, Kaiser's chairman and chief executive officer, the subsidiary retained $2 million to pursue future adversary litigation. "The adversary litigation efforts of KSC Recovery are self-funding. No operating capital is required by Kaiser," he said.

Kaiser and Price Waterhouse are reviewing the financial reporting treatment of this third quarter transaction. Also, in the third quarter, the company received and will record $936,000 of operating revenue from the transfer of water under the terms of the 100-year lease with the Cucamonga County Water District. Due to certain disputes raised by a minority shareholder, Kaiser has elected to record lease payments on a cash basis. No revenue was recorded under this lease during the first or second quarter 1990.

Kaiser Steel Resources is an entirely new and reorganized company focused on developing its unique environmental resources in waste management, land remediation and development, and water resources.

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#90285p4139 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Georgia-Pacific Corp. (NYSE: GP) today announced the sale of G-P Inveresk Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Georgia-Pacific, to a company established by the management team of G-P Inveresk Corp. and backed by institutional investors led by Morgan Grenfell Development Capital Ltd.

G-P Inveresk Corp., which was acquired by Georgia-Pacific in 1981, manufactures printing and specialty papers at four mills located at Wells, England, and Inverkeithing, Denny and Bathgate, Scotland.

Under the terms of the agreement for the Inveresk sale, Georgia-Pacific will receive a cash payment of about 31 million pounds or approximately $61 million. Georgia-Pacific will continue to supply pulp to the Inveresk operations. The transaction will result in a pretax loss of approximately $40 million, which will be recorded in the fourth quarter.

"The Inveresk facilities have been identified as nonstrategic assets," T. Marshall Hahn Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, said. "Its sale will strengthen our financial position by enabling Georgia-Pacific to reduce its debt.

"The Inveresk management team, led by Stefan G. Kay, managing director, is experienced and very capable of successfully operating the ongoing business. We are pleased that they were able to put together a group to acquire the company," Hahn said.

Georgia-Pacific is one of the world's largest forest products companies, employing some 60,000 people at more than 500 plants, mills, distribution centers and offices throughout the United States. A manufacturer and distributor of building products, pulp, paper and related chemicals, the company also owns more than nine million acres of timberland nationwide.

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#90285p4146 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Colgate-Palmolive Company (NYSE: CL), yesterday declared quarterly cash dividends on the company's common stock and $4.25 preferred stock. The company has paid uninterrupted dividends on its common stock since 1895.

	Rate	Payment Date	To Shareholders of Record as of
Common stock	$.45	Nov. 15, 1990	Oct. 25, 1990
$4.25 preferred stock	$1.0625	Dec. 31, 1990	Dec. 17, 1990

Colgate-Palmolive is one of the world's leading consumer products companies,

marketing its products in over 160 countries. Its internationally recognized brand names include Colgate, Palmolive, Ajax, Fab, and Irish Spring, as well as Hill's Science Diet and Hill's Prescription Diet pet foods.

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#90285p4148 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - UtiliCorp United (NYSE: UCU) announced that its PSI subsidiary has completed the acquisition of a natural gas gathering system and processing facilities in western Oklahoma for approximately $31 million.

Under terms of the previously announced transaction, PSI has acquired the Elk City Natural Gas Gathering and Processing facilities from Valero Hydrocarbons L.P., a Subsidiary Operating Partnership of Valero Natural Gas Partners, L.P. (NYSE: VLP).

The 85-mile Elk City system is located in three counties in the Anadarko Basin in western Oklahoma and gathers approximately 75 million cubic feet (MMCF) of gas per day. The processing facilities presently extract approximately 150,000 gallons per day of liquid hydrocarbons and provide 65 MMCF of gas per day for delivery on various interstate pipelines.

PSI is headquartered in Omaha, Neb., and is one of the nation's major marketers and suppliers of natural gas. Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides gas and electricity to about 820,000 utility customers in eight states and in British Columbia.

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#90285p4152 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, N.Y. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Goldome (NYSE: GDM) today reported net income of $365,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net income for the quarter, less the declared preferred stock dividend, resulted in a loss of $.01 per share for the third quarter. This compares to a reported loss of $7.3 million, or $.29 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. That reported loss was reduced by a one-time gain of $11.5 million resulting from asset sales.

Results for the third quarter of 1990 constitute core earnings from operations unaided by gains from significant transactions, such as the sale of assets.

Goldome's net income for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $36.5 million,

or $1.23 per share, versus a net loss of $271.5 million, or $9.76 per share, in the first nine months of 1989.

Goldome's chief executive officer Thomas A. Cooper said, "We share substantial pride with our associates and our communities in reaching our stated goal of operational profitability. However, while the basic earnings power of the bank has steadily improved during the past 18 months, we continue to have serious concerns about the ongoing viability of the institution because of continuing capital shortfall."

Cooper added, "When Goldome's comprehensive restructuring began last year we said we would return to basic consumer banking, cut expenses and clean up the balance sheet. We have kept those commitments and Goldome's fundamental business has steadily gained strength and momentum."

Net interest margin, which has risen each quarter during the past 15 months, advanced to 1.52 percent in the third quarter of 1990, compared with 1.00 percent in the third quarter of 1989. Goldome's focus on consumer banking and its reduced reliance on high-cost funding sources have enabled the bank to attain this result.

Total expenses of the bank continue to decline, with reductions recorded in most expense categories. In the third quarter of 1990, expenses totaled $60.2 million, compared with $69.5 million in the third quarter of 1989. Salaries and employee benefits, which represent the largest component of total expenses for the quarter were $20.4 million, down from $28.1 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Goldome continues to amortize $8.9 million of goodwill quarterly, a burden resulting from the mid 1980s acquisition program.

Providing evidence of the bank's strategic focus on basic consumer banking business, consumer loans continued to rise. By contrast, the bank's commercial loan portfolio is declining.

Goldome continued to narrow the bank's interest rate sensitivity or "gap," reducing the difference between assets and liabilities which reprice within one year to less than 10 percent. This compares with less than 20 percent at the end of 1989.

Cooper noted that the quality of the bank's loan portfolio is improving amd that the allowance for possible loan losses continued to be above 1 percent.

Cooper said, "Goldome's performance in the third quarter indicates the fundamental benefits of the bank's continued restructuring and its basic business strategy, which together form a solid foundation for lower expenses, higher revenue and operating profitibility. However, the key issue facing the bank continues to be its inadequate capital position, which must be resolved

for the company to be viable going forward." Cooper noted that the task of raising capital continues to be a substantial challenge in the present environment.

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#90285p4164 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST LAFAYETTE, IN (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Emerson Kampen, chairman, president, and chief executive officer of Great Lakes Chemical Corporation (NYSE: GLK), today announced that the company has reached a definitive agreement to acquire from Lonza Inc. all of the common stock of Bio-Lab, Inc., a leading supplier and formulator of products for swimming pools and spas. Terms of the purchase include cash plus future considerations. The acquisition is expected to be completed as soon as routine Hart Scott Rodino Act filings and reviews are completed.

A fast growing, market-driven company, Bio-Lab's sales have almost tripled since 1986 due to its broad business base. In addition to being a leading formulator and packager of chemicals for swimming pools and spas, Bio-Lab has one of the largest distributor networks for sales of pool/spa chemicals and equipment in the United States. This extensive network consists of 26 outlets in nine primary Sunbelt states, the key markets for swimming pool products. The company markets its pool/spa chemicals under three major brand names -- Biogard(R), Omni(R) and Pool Time(R) -- each targeted at different segments of the market. Combined revenues of Hydrotech and Bio-Lab from their U.S. and foreign pool/spa businesses were well in excess of $200 million in 1989.

Once the transaction is finalized, Great Lakes will make available, upon request, a report that details further insights into Bio-Lab, and its role in Great Lakes' plans for the future.

Great Lakes Chemical Corporation, a Fortune 500 company, is the world's leading producer of bromine, brominated chemicals and furfural derivatives for such applications as flame retardants, agriculture, oil and gas well completion fluids, water sanitizers and other specialty applications. The stock of the company is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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#90285p4166 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Madison National Bank, a subsidiary of the Washington-based bank holding company James Madison Limited, announced the election of H.L. Ward as senior vice

president/commercial lending officer. In this position, Ward will assume responsibility for all aspects of the bank's commercial lending area.

Ward served from 1987 to the present as executive vice president and chief executive officer of WHM Land Corporation, where he was responsible for managing property acquisition and development. Prior to joining WHM Land Corporation, Ward served from 1984 to 1987 with First American Bank of Maryland as vice president and department head in the Commercial Lending Unit. Previously, Ward had worked in various financial positions with First National Bank of Maryland and Citizens Bank of Maryland.

Ward received his bachelor of science degree in finance from the University of Maryland and is a resident of Olney, Md.

Madison National Bank is a subsidiary of James Madison Limited, a registered bank holding company headquartered in Washington. Other banking subsidiaries include: Madison National Bank of Virginia; Madison Bank of Maryland, and United National Bank of Washington. Non-bank subsidiaries include: James Madison Mortgage Company; James Madison Financial Corporation; and JML Systems Management, Inc. James Madison Limited's Class A Common Stock is listed on the American Stock Exchange (JML) and its Common Stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System (JMLC).

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#90285p4172 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Molecular Vaccines, Inc. has changed its name to MedImmune, Inc. to more accurately describe the scope of its business and scientific expertise in immune regulation, immunotherapeutics and vaccines for infectious diseases and cancer, it was announced today.

"The name MedImmune provides a more complete definition of our research and development thrust and our commercial agenda," said Dr. Wayne T. Hockmeyer, president and chief executive officer of MedImmune. "MedImmune's management team and scientific staff, along with our research collaborators, continue to make advances toward fulfilling the company's mission to produce and market new products for the prevention and treatment of infectious diseases and cancer."

MedImmune, founded in 1988 by HealthCare Investment Corporation, maintains headquarters and laboratory facilities in Gaithersburg, Md.

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#90285p4174 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - OIS Optical Imaging Systems, Inc. (OIS) (OTC: OVON) was informed by the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD) that OIS does not comply with the minimum requirement of capital and surplus and will be deleted from NASDAQ on Oct. 19, 1990, unless OIS meets the capital and surplus requirments by that date.

OIS is making every effort to rectify this situation. Additional equity invested in OIS may avoid delisting, but no assurance can be given that adequate, if any, equity will be raised.

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#90285p4179 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Sealright Co., Inc. (NASDAQ: SRCO), the Kansas City-based manufacturer of packaging systems and containers for grocery and dairy products, today reported record sales and net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Earnings rose 7.6 percent to $5.6 million, or $0.50 per share, from $5.2 million, or $0.47 per share, the year before. Sales increased 8.7 percent to $57.2 million, compared with $52.6 million in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of the fiscal year, Sealright's earnings increased 7.6 percent, reaching a record $13.8 million, or $1.25 per share, compared to last year's $12.8 million, or $1.16 per share.

Sales for the nine-month period increased 7.2 percent to $160.4 million, compared with $149.6 million last year.

Marvin W. Ozley, chairman and chief executive officer, said increased sales in all product categories and lower interest costs contributed to a good third-quarter performance. Operating income increased 10 percent over last year's third quarter.

"Our results reflect the impact of good operations," Ozley said. "At the same time, we are seeing a return on our continuing investment in plant modernization, more efficient production processes, and research and development."

Sealright is North America's leading supplier of packaging and packaging systems for ice cream and other frozen dairy desserts. The company also produces paperboard and plastic food and dairy packaging and, through a wholly

owned subsidiary, flexible packaging for grocery products.

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#90285p4181 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Colorocs Corporation announced today that it is starting shipments of its plain paper full-color printer. The printer features an Adobe-compatible Color PostScript(R) controller and has a retail price of less than $30,000.

"This product brings exciting new capabilities to the Color PostScript marketplace," said Charles Muench, president of Colorocs. "No other color printer currently available can approach this product's price performance level."

Dale Ford, vice president and general manager of Lex Publishing in Atlanta and an early user of the Colorocs printer, said, "The Colorocs printer has proven to be a cost-effective addition to our business. We are impressed with the speed of the printer as well as the processing capability of the Color PostScript controller. The use of plain paper is also a real plus."

Colorocs will market and service this product directly in the following North American cities: Atlanta, Baltimore, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Denver, Houston, Kansas City, Kan., Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Pittsburgh, Naples and Orlando, Fla., St. Louis, Toronto and Vancouver, B.C. The printer will be sold in Australia through a wholly owned subsidiary, Colorocs Australia, and in the Pacific Rim by a joint venture, Colorocs Asia, located in Taipei, Taiwan.

The printer will also be marketed by original equipment manufacturers (OEM's). CSS Laboratories of Irvine, Calif., will market the printer under the "Colormagic" name. CDT Graphics of Greenville, S.C., will sell the printer as the "E.L.V.I.S.," and HCS Technology N.V. will market the "Spectrum" in Europe. Other printer drivers for use with software such as Targa(R), AutoCAD(R), GEM(R) and Windows(R) have been developed by these OEM's.

The printer's operating speed in the four color (CMYK) mode is 5 pages per minute (ppm) and up to 40 ppm in black and white. Colorocs' 300 DPI electrophotographic printer uses a two belt transfer system that builds multiple color planes onto an intermediate surface and then transfers the full-color image to paper in a single step. This "single- pass-to-paper technology" allows the use of plain paper in a wide range of sizes and weights as well as the use of transparencies and pressure sensitive labels.

Colorocs designs, develops and sells full-color copiers and electronic printers.

Color PostScript is a registered trademark of Adobe Systems, Inc. Targa is a registered trademark of Truvision. AutoCAD is a registered trademark of Autodesk, Inc. GEM is a registered trademark of Digital Research, Inc. Windows is a trademark of Microsoft Corporation.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM is helping to bring college classrooms into the electronic information age with its announcement today of the Academic LANkit which allows faculty who are not computer experts to manage, customize and administer computer- based lessons for students to complete on computers that are connected in the classroom.

The Academic LANkit is a local area network (LAN) offering with software already loaded on computers so it can be installed easily by higher education faculty and administrators, rather than computer network experts. A LAN is a group of computers that are linked together electronically so that users can easily share data and programs.

LANkit is also easy to operate because it's based on a graphical user interface. Faculty and administrators can, for example, change computer-based curriculum and distribute to students, or update student records, or add and delete other software applications, all by using a mouse to click on icons, rather than by keying in complicated commands.

"Our higher education customers want the conveniences and advantages that LANs offer to help them manage both courseware and administrative data, but most don't have the time to become computer network experts," says L. G. "Buzz" Waterhouse, vice president, IBM Academic Information Systems.

"LANkit, for the first time, takes the mystique out of installing and operating a LAN. It incorporates the latest LAN technology with software specifically designed with our academic customers' needs in mind."

The Academic LANkit comprises an IBM Personal System/2 Model 80 that acts as the LAN server, the central hub of the network; 15 PS/2 Model 55SX student workstations, plus software. It is available in two different network systems -- Token Ring or Ethernet, so it works with networks used on most campuses.

LANkit is compatible with IBM's Advanced Academic System, an integrated package of hardware and software introduced last June that allows faculty to easily create their own computer-based curriculum and classroom exercises. With LANkit, those custom applications can now be easily personalized and distributed among students. The Academic LANkit is also compatible with IBM's

Selected Academic Solutions for students -- seven packaged and pre-loaded hardware and software offerings specially designed with student computing needs in mind.

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FORT WASHINGTON, PA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. (NYSE: RPR) and Roger Bellon Laboratory have announced an offer to exchange Rhone-Poulenc Rorer shares for publicly owned shares of Roger Bellon Laboratory.

The proposed exchange rate is 10 Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. common shares for one Roger Bellon Laboratory share. This represents a premium of approximately 36 percent over Roger Bellon Laboratory's September average share price.

Following the approval of the stock market authorities, the offer is expected to run from the end of October until the end of November. The proposed exchange would involve 1,780,360 Rhone-Poulenc Rorer common shares.

The purchase of the minority interest in Roger Bellon Laboratory by Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. is consistent with the company's strategy to consolidate and streamline operations.

The offer has been unanimously approved by the companies' respective boards of directors.

Roger Bellon Laboratory currently has sales in excess of $300 million and has a staff of approximately 900. Its product line includes both over-the-counter and ethical products. Hospitals and clinics account for approximately 50 percent of sales; approximately 80 percent of sales are in France.

Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. is a global pharmaceutical company dedicated to the discovery, development, manufacture and marketing of human pharmaceuticals. Annualized worldwide sales for 1990 will be more than $3 billion and R&D expenditures approximate $400 million. The company operates in all major markets worldwide.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Rohm and Haas Co. (NYSE: ROH) board

of directors today voted a regular quarterly dividend of 31 cents per share, payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 9.

In other action, the board approved an amendment deferring the company's purchase of shares from the William Penn Foundation. The previous agreement called for the company to purchase approximately 2.2 million shares on April 1 1991. Under the amended agreement, Rohm and Haas will purchase approximately 2.6 million shares on April 1, 1995.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Shareholders of the two families of mutual funds advised by National City Corporation (NYSE: NCC) member banks have voted to elect common boards of trustees. Prominent Cleveland businessman Richard B. Tullis, retired chairman of Harris Corporation, has been selected to chair both boards.

"National City welcomes this step towards consolidation which allows fund shareholders to benefit from economies of scale present in our large trust and investment business," said William R. Robertson, deputy chairman of National City Corporation. "These trustees are distinguished by their knowledge of mutual fund matters," Robertson added, "and as investment adviser to these mutual funds with $1.9 billion in assets, National City's banks have become a substantial presence in the national mutual fund market."

The trustees of NCC Funds and The Thoroughbred Group are Ronald A. McGimpsey, group controller, British Petroleum Company, p.l.c; Robinson Swearingen Brown, Jr., retired chairman, Brown-Forman, Inc.; Richard W. Furst, dean, University of Kentucky College of Business and Economics; Ronald G. Fountain, vice president - finance and chief financial officer, M.A. Hanna Company; George Motiff, Jr., director of finance, Hospice of Louisville; and Tullis.

At the funds' annual meetings, it was reported that the investment performance of three of the money market portfolios were ranked in the top ten nationally in each of their categories by the IBC/Donoghue's mutual funds survey.

"This performance reflects the quality and excellence of the Trust Investment product at National City," said Richard Beeman, senior vice president, trust, National City Corporation. "These mutual funds are fulfilling our commitment to bring to the consumer marketplace investment skills that have historically been available only to our larger trust customers," added Beeman.

"Donoghue's survey demonstrates that our bank-advised mutual funds compete successfully with traditional mutual fund companies," Beeman noted.

Shares of the funds are not bank deposits, are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and are not guaranteed or otherwise supported by National City Corporation or its affiliates.

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RICHMOND, Va. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Heilig-Meyers Company (NYSE: HMY), the Richmond, Virginia-based home furnishings retailer, today announced that it had reached an agreement in principle to purchase certain assets of six furniture stores from Holthouse Furniture Corporation of Richmond, Indiana.

William C. DeRusha, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Heilig-Meyers Company, stated that the acquisition of these stores, including one in Ohio and five in Indiana, represents a logical expansion of the Company's current geographical market.

Heilig-Meyers Company, a Virginia corporation, presently operates 312 stores in twelve states, including Indiana and Ohio.

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#90285p4217 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATCHISON, KS (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Ladd Seaberg, president and CEO of Midwest Grain Products, Inc., (NASDAQ-NMS: MWGP) announced during today's annual stockholders' meeting that fiscal 1991 first quarter earnings are expected to be up considerably over each of the last three quarters of fiscal 1990.

"Our unaudited August and September results indicate that our rate of profitability for these two months has approached the same rate as last year's first quarter," he said.

Net income for that quarter, the company's best in fiscal 1990, was $3,058,000 or 47 cents per share, on sales of $48,769,000. Earnings declined sharply in the second and third quarters, then took a slight upturn in the final period, raising expectations of a likely but gradual turnaround.

Though unaudited quarterly results are not final, Seaberg said the available data indicates that 1991's first quarter will be much improved over the preceding three quarters. Among the indicators were substantial increases in sales of the company's fuel alcohol and high quality industrial alcohol;

significantly lower raw material costs for wheat, which is used throughout Midwest Grain's fully integrated production process; increased flour milling; recovered vital wheat gluten sales; and steadily climbing sales of premium wheat starch.

July's overall performance was relatively flat in comparison to the last two months of the quarter, Seaberg said. August was the first month that lower wheat prices from this summer's bumper harvest began having any noticeable effects on the company's production costs. Other sizable improvements began taking shape in August, when gasoline prices escalated as the result of the Persian Gulf crisis, creating greater demand for fuel alcohol. Also, rising oil prices reduced the price advantage that petroleum-based alcohol had been enjoying over grain-based industrial alcohol. The turnaround in the company's alcohol business had the greatest single amount of influence on first quarter improvements, Seaberg said.

At the conclusion of today's stockholders' meeting, Cloud L. "Bud" Cray, chairman of the board of directors, announced election results for three board positions. Jim Hosier, president of McCormick Distilling Company, Midwest Grain's subsidiary operation in Weston, Mo., was re-elected by holders of common stock to a three-year term expiring in October 1993. Seaberg and Randy Schrick, vice president and general manager of the company's Illinois plant, were each re-elected to three-year terms by holders of preferred stock.

Cray also reported today that a dividend of 17-1/2 cents per share was declared for the first quarter and is payable Nov. 9, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 23, 1990.

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NORMAL, ILL. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Diamond-Star Motors, the state-of-the-art automotive manufacturing facility in Normal, Ill., is celebrating its fifth anniversary. In October 1985, Chrysler Chairman Lee Iacocca and Mitsubishi Motors Chairman Toyoo Tate signed the official documents creating this highly successful joint venture and announced selection of its central Illinois location. Five years later, Diamond-Star Motors (DSM) has an impressive list of achievements, awards and community contributions.

Ground was broken for the two-million-square-foot DSM facility in April 1986. The plant was completed April 1988, two months ahead of projections. Its engineering, design and advanced technology earned it a place on the National Society of Professional Engineers' list of the Top 10 Outstanding Engineering Achievements for 1988.

The first production vehicles rolled off the line Sept. 1, 1988 -- and again, two months ahead of schedule -- and the automotive experts gave them two thumbs up. Diamond-Star's Mitsubishi Eclipse and Plymouth Laser were cited as the best car design in the auto industry for 1989 by the Industrial Design Society of America.

Car and Driver magazine included the Eclipse Turbo and Laser Turbo among its 10 Best Cars in 1989. In 1990, the cars were on the top 10 list again, joined by a third DSM car, the Eagle Talon, which went into production in May 1989.

This summer, production was expanded again to include the four-door compact sedans, Eagle Summit and Mitsubishi Mirage, which were introduced in the 1991 model year.

Diamond-Star Chairman Lino J. Piedra credits the Bloomington/Normal community with much of the company's success.

In addition to producing vehicles, DSM has been producing new business for many support services and suppliers in the area. "Our annual payroll exceeds $80 million, which ultimately filters throughout the community. In addition, we annually spend close to $50 million with McLean County suppliers," notes Piedra. "And not just for production components -- over $8 million goes to companies which provide such things as food service, security, office equipment, printing services, landscaping and so on."

Diamond-Star Motors, manufacturer of the Plymouth Laser, Mitsubishi Eclipse and Mirage, and Eagle Talon and Summit, is a 50/50 joint venture company formed by Chrysler Corp. and Mitsubishi Motors Corp.

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#90285p4224 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

AMBERGRIS CAYE, BELIZE (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Journeys End Resorts, Inc. (NASDAQ: JERIU) today announced the completion of funding totalling $1.7 million from the World Bank/IFC & DFC of Belize. The monies are being used to expand and develop the resort facilities and physical plant, soon to be at 70 units, as well as the amenities, the country's only Olympic-size swimming pool with swim-up bar and grill, Jacuzzi, entertainment area and large sun decks with rock waterfalls.

President John T. Rietz added that the resort has been given the 1990 Resort Award by the Top Mexican Resorts Magazine. He and the country are proud of their new airport in Belize City and anticipate another banner year for guests from all over the world. A unique and unspoiled resort, Journeys End offers full certification in both PADI and NAUI, as well as dancing under the stars

to the house reggae band and the personal attention it is noted for.

The staff welcomed John Burke as administrative assistant to the president. He was formerly the associate director of the National Australia Bank and a former vice president of Citibank, N.A.

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#90285p4230 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MISSION VIEJO, CA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Viejo Bancorp (NASDAQ: VBMV) today reported earnings for the first nine months of 1990.

Assets increased 31 percent to $160,070,000, from $121,751,000 a year earlier. Deposits increased 32 percent to $148,278,000 from $111,975,000 at the same point of 1989. Total stockholders equity rose 22 percent to $8,927,000 from $7,337,000 a year ago.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William T. Brady said, "In addition to tightening lending policies and reducing non-performing loans, we have substantially increased our reserves to $1.4 million so any problems with these loans will not affect future bank performance."

Brady said, "These actions served to reduce immediate earnings and created a loss for the quarter, but they represent a powerful tool in protecting our future earnings growth."

The bank earned $734,000 or 27 cents per share for the first nine months of 1990, compared to $1,687,000, or 61 cents per share for the same period of 1989. These results include a loss of $267,000 or 10 cents per share in the third quarter of 1990, compared to quarterly earnings of $625,000 or 23 cents per share a year earlier.

Net interest income increased to $9,487,000 for the first nine months of 1990, compared to $8,253,000 for the same period in 1989. Net interest income in the quarter ended Sept. 10, 1990, was $3,047,000 compared to $3,142,000 a year earlier.

Non-interest income increased to $2,768,000 in the first nine months of 1990 compared to $2,378,000 for the same period of 1989. Non-interest income in the quarter ended Sept. 10, 1990, was $824,000 compared to $934,000 a year earlier.

VIEJO BANCORP
Consolidated Statement of Condition
Nine Month Period Ending
(Unaudited)

(in thousands)

	Sept. 30 1990	Sept. 30 1989	Percent Change Pos/(Neg)
Assets:			
Investment securities	$24,183	$16,540	46.21
Federal funds sold	---	1,850	-100.00
Assets held for sale	45,869	31,476	45.73
Gross loans	66,777	60,345	10.66
Total earning assets	136,829	110,211	24.15
Reserves for assets held for sale	(515)	(35)	1,371.43
Reserves for loan losses	(878)	(837)	4.90
Deferred loan fees	(1,639)	(1,678)	-2.32
Cash and noninterest earning deposits	19,093	9,423	102.62
Other assets	7,180	4,667	53.85
Total assets	$160,070	$121,751	31.47
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity:			
Deposits:			
Demand	35,880	27,589	30.05
Savings	17,881	13,285	34.60
Time	94,517	71,101	32.93
Total deposits	148,278	111,975	32.42
Other liabilities	2,865	2,439	17.47
Total liabilities	151,143	114,414	32.10
Stockholders' equity:			
Common stock	6,203	6,073	2.14
Treasury stock	---	(92)	-100.00
Undivided profit	2,724	1,356	100.88
Total stockholders' equity	8,927	7,337	21.67
Total liabilities and equity	$160,070	$121,751	31.47

VIEJO BANCORP CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT
(Amounts in Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,		Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total interest income	$15,567	$12,868	$5,212	$5,023
Total interest expense	(6,080)	(4,615)	(2,165)	(1,881)
Net interest income	9,487	8,253	3,047	3,142
Provision for assets held for sale	(826)	(35)	(749)	(8)
Provision for loan losses	(105)	(415)	(15)	(190)
Noninterest income	2,768	2,378	824	934

Noninterest expense	(10,115)	(7,405)	(3,501)	(2,770)
Earnings before income taxes	1,209	2,776	(394)	1,108
Income taxes	(475)	(1,089)	127	(483)
Net earnings	$734	$1,687	($267)	$625
Earnings per share (a)	$.27	$.61	($.10)	$.23

(a) Based upon the weighted average number of shares outstanding as of Sept. 30, 1990, and Sept. 30, 1989.

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CHANTILLY, VA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Fairchild Communications Services Co. announced today the completion of the acquisition of the telecommunications assets of the Amerisystems Partnership of Dallas.

This acquisition solidifies the company's position as the largest provider of centralized telephone and telecommunications services to tenants of major office buildings throughout the United States. The terms of the transaction are not being disclosed.

"By means of a judicious acquisition program, we are able to control and optimize our growth rate, as well as improve our profitability. The Amerisystems operations will be a valuable addition to our business base," said Mel Borer, president of Fairchild Communications Services Co.

The Amerisystems Partnership consists of Amerisystems Inc., a subsidiary of Lincoln Property Co. with headquarters in Dallas, and Electronic Office Centers of America, a subsidiary of Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX), with headquarters in Pittsburgh.

As a result of the acquisition, Fairchild acquired telecommunications services projects in 13 metropolitan areas, extending services to 50 additional Class A office buildings in such cities as Atlanta; Austin, Texas; Boston; Chicago; Dallas; Houston; Miami; New Orleans; Parsippany, N.J.; Pittsburgh; Orlando, Fla.; Stamford, Conn., and Tampa, Fla. Prior to the acquisition, the company serviced more than 85 commercial office buildings and had more than 26,000 subscriber lines in place.

Fairchild Communications Services Co., headquartered in Chantilly, provides office buildings with integrated telecommunications systems, including digital switching and telephone equipment, long distance and international calling services. The company, whose business was established in 1985 by its parent, Fairchild Industries Inc., reported revenues of $26 million in 1990. Fairchild Industries is a subsidiary of Banner Industries Inc. (NYSE: BNR), a leading supplier of aerospace and industrial products, and communications

services.

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BOSTON (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Teradyne, Inc. (NYSE: TER) today announced the layoff of approximately 60 employees at company plants in Boston and California, as well as at sales offices in the United States and Europe. The move was attributed to reduced sales of circuit-board test systems to military contractors and was implemented as part of a company-wide effort to return to profitability. In September, about 40 employees were laid off at the company's Connection Systems Division in Nashua, N.H. Affected employees were given salary continuation benefits and outplacement assistance. Costs associated with both layoffs are expected to impact earnings for the third quarter, ending Sept. 29, according to the company.

Teradyne, Inc. is a major manufacturer of test equipment and connection systems for the electronics and telecommunications industries. For the quarter ending June 30, 1990, it reported a net loss of $6.9 million on sales of $108.5 million. Its stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (Symbol: TER).

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#90285p4240 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURLINGAME CA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Microprocessor Products Group of Motorola Inc. (NYSE: MOT) today introduced a low-cost version of the flagship 68030 microprocessor designed for embedded- control applications. Detailed at the Microprocessor Forum here, the 68EC030 differs from the 68030 in three areas -- packaging, die size and available memory-management functions -- while remaining totally hardware- and software-compatible with all 68000 family members.

As the newest member of the 68000 family, the 68EC030 continues the tradition of offering customers the industry's best price/performance ratio. The EC030's use of low cost dynamic memories allows customers to have performance levels comparable to embedded RISC processors with substantially lower overall system cost while retaining complete 68000 software compatibility. The 32-bit microprocessor's performance exactly matches that of the 68030; specifically, it has a throughput of up to 9.2 VAX-equivalent MIPS when clocked at 40 MHz.

The EC030 also matches the 68030 in the following key features: -- Object-code compatibility with the 68000, 68020 and 68030 microprocessors;

-- Burst-mode bus interface for efficient DRAM access; -- Separate, 256-byte, on-chip data and instruction caches; -- Dynamic bus sizing for direct interface to 8- and 16-bit devices; -- Sixteen 32-bit general-purpose data and address registers; -- Two 32-bit supervisor stack pointers and eight special-purpose control registers; and

-- A 4-gigabyte addressing range. Cutting Costs, Not Value When designing the EC030, the objective of Motorola's engineers was to reduce the cost of a 68030 by one-half. It was achieved, through a combination of manufacturing advances and product engineering.

Motorola is one of the world's leading providers of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets. Products include two-way radios, pagers, cellular telephone systems, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronic equipment, computers, and data-communications and information-processing and handling equipment.

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BOSTON (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthco International, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HLCO) announced today that its board of directors was re-elected today at the company's 1990 annual meeting of stockholders. Each of the seven directors received at least 99.6 percent of the votes cast.

Marvin M. Cyker, chairman and chief executive officer of Healthco, stated "I am pleased that our stockholders have re-elected the board of directors. We can now look forward to completing our pending $19.25 cash merger with Hicks Muse. We believe that the merger presents a wonderful opportunity for Healthco, its stockholders, employees and its customers in the dental profession and we look forward to joining with Hicks Muse as we move into the 1990s."

Cyker also stated that he expected that a special meeting of stockholders would be held later this year for the purpose of approving the Hicks Muse transaction.

Healthco International, Inc. is a major provider of supplies, equipment and services to dentists and institutional providers of dental care, including dental schools and dental laboratories. Healthco currently has 154 branches in the United States, Canada and Western Europe.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Veronex Resources Ltd. (AMEX: VX) reported a net loss of $859,000 ($0.07 per share) on revenues of $1,865,000 for the months ended Aug. 31, 1990, compared to a net loss of $395,000 ($0.03 per share) on revenues of $1,899,000 for the same period one year ago.

Oil production from the Enim Oil Project in Indonesia during the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990 amounted to 341,912 barrels as compared to 257,068 barrels in the same period of 1989, an increase of 33 percent. Average oil price decreased from $18.13 per barrel to $17.38 per barrel and Veronex's cost recovery share decreased from 60 percent to 40 percent during the six months ending Aug. 31, 1989 and 1990, respectively.

Veronex Resources is an internationally diversified natural resource company with commercial oil production in Indonesia, gold exploration programs in Canada and Papua New Guinea, and ongoing plans for a wood chip project in Southeast Asia.

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#90285p4248 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Traditional premium paying life insurance sales are 12 percent ahead of this time last year and annuity sales have increased almost 40 percent for the Milwaukee-based Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co.

The figures were reported today by Chairman and CEO Donald J. Schuenke in a speech to about 1,000 of the company's western agents meeting at the St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco.

"As far as financial strength is concerned, we are as strong financially as we ever have been," Schuenke said. "So far in 1990, investment income is up about 9 percent," he reported.

"We're not immune to the world economy and our own economy or the nation's budget problems," he said. "But, Northwestern's broad-based investment portfolio provides stability through all economic cycles, including the one we are in now."

Schuenke said the company's "strong investments and fine sales this year are coupled with continued good policy persistency, improved mortality and reduced surrenders."

He said company surplus currently measures $2 billion and Northwestern Mutual's critical surplus-to-reserve ratio is "an excellent 9.3 percent."

Schuenke noted: "Since 1980, we've virtually tripled our dividends to a $1.4 billion payout this year, very nearly tripled our assets to $30 billion and more than tripled our insurance-in-force to $216 billion."

Northwestern Mutual Is the nation's largest provider of individual life and disability income insurance and annuities. They are distributed exclusively by Northwestern Mutual agents throughout the country.

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#90285p4252 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Shopping Network, Inc. (NYSE: HSN) announced today that Lowell W. Paxson, its president and a pioneer of the home shopping industry, plans to reduce his day-to-day involvement with HSN on Dec. 31, 1990. Paxson will begin working under tems of a four-year consulting agreement with HSN on Jan. 1, 1991.

Roy M. Speer, chairman and chief executive officer, will assume the presidency of HSN on an interim basis until a successor for Paxson is selected. Speer said that Paxson will work with him as a consultant on long-term projects affecting the future growth of HSN. He praised Paxson, who, with him, is credited with co-founding the home shopping industry and creating HSN.

"Bud's record speaks for itself," Speer said. "He and I led HSN to a billion dollars in sales, and his contribution has had a significant impact on the company's growth and leadership in the industry." He continued, "In his position as consultant, Bud will be able to return to his forte, entrepreneurship. I expect his contributions to HSN's growth will continue to be significant in the future."

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Cumulus Corp., Cleveland-based supplier of personal computer enhancement and system products, today announced it will bundle Microsoft's DOS 4.01, Windows 3.0 and Works with its new GLC/SBS and GLC/CO 386SX-based desktop computers.

Both new systems come complete with standard features such as a 16 or 20 MHz 80386SX processor, 1MB of RAM, 3.5-inch 1.44MB floppy disk, 101-key keyboard, 16-bit VGA graphics adapter, monitor and dual-button mouse. With prices

ranging from $1,195 to $2,095, they are priced at a cost level normally associated with slower standard 286 systems and basic 386SX PCs.

"The inclusion of Microsoft's three major products now being offered with our systems answers the demand of PC users who want greater performance and choices in a desktop line at an economical cost," said Marty Alpert, founder and president of Cumulus.

In addition to its new PC systems, Cumulus designs, manufactures and markets more than 175 products to enhance memory and data storage in most personal computers. All units are sold through computer dealer channels in the United States.

Microsoft designs, develops, markets and supports a microcomputer product line of systems and applications software and hardware for business and professional use. The company's products are available on all popular microcomputers including IBM, Tandy, Apple, COMPAQ, Olivetti, AT&T, Zenith, Hewlett-Packard and NEC.

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SYRACUSE, NY (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Carlisle Companies Incorporated (NYSE: CSL) announced today its repurchase of 398,200 shares of its common stock from a shareholder at a price of $31.76 per share, based upon the previous four weeks average price and including an amount for execution of a standstill agreement and reimbursement of the seller's expenses. The repurchased shares will be held as treasury stock. Stephen P. Munn, Carlisle president and chief executive officer, stated that the repurchase is consistent with Carlisle's strategic objectives.

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FLINT, MI. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Citizens Banking Corporation (NASDAQ: CBCF) reported 1990 third-quarter earnings.

Net income increased 16.7 percent to $5,027,000 for the third quarter of 1990 compared with $4,306,000 for the same period last year. On a per-share basis, net income increased 17.2 percent to $.75 per share compared with $.64 per share a year ago. For the first nine months of 1990, net income increased 6.4 percent to $14,771,000 or $2.21 per share, compared with $13,882,000 or $2.07

per share for the same period of 1989.

Charles R. Weeks, president and chief executive officer, stated that the increase in net income in both periods was due primarily to higher net interest income and a reduced provision for loan losses. These improvements were offset partially by lower non-interest income and increases in operating expenses.

Net interest income increased $512,000, or 0.7 percent, when the first nine months of 1990 is compared with the same period of 1989. This increase resulted from a higher volume of earning assets offset in part by a decline in net interest margin. A lower overall interest rate environment caused yields on earning assets to decrease which resulted in a decline in net interest margin.

The provision for loan losses was $4,142,000 for the first nine months of 1990 a decrease of $1,531,000 compared with the same period of 1989. Net loans charged off to date during 1990 totaled $3,766,000, a decrease of $827,000 when compared with last year. The ratio of the allowance for loan losses to total loans on Sept. 30, 1990, was 1.29 percent, approximately equal to the 1.31 percent ratio of a year ago.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $2,436,471,000, up 3.5 percent over third quarter 1989. Total loans and leases increased $41,972,000 or 2.8 percent to $1,527,336,000 compared with $1,485,364,000 a year ago. Total deposits were $1,974,202,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, up $55,152,000 or 2.9 percent from a year ago. At Sept. 30, 1990, shareholders' equity was $203,799,000 or $30.76 per share compared with $193,331,000 or $28.87 per share a year ago.

Citizens Banking Corporation is the eighth-largest bank holding company headquartered in Michigan and is the parent of Citizens Commercial & Savings Bank of Flint, Second National Bank of Saginaw, Second National Bank of Bay City, State Bank of Standish, Grayling State Bank, Century Life Insurance Company of Michigan, a credit life reinsurance company, Citizens Commercial Leasing Corporation, Grand Rapids, Mich., and Commercial National Bank of Berwyn, Berwyn, Ill. The corporation's common stock is traded in the over-the-counter market (NASDAQ: CBCF).

Operating results for the quarter and year to date follow:

CITIZENS BANKING CORPORATION
(Dollars in thousands, except for per-share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Income before income taxes	$6,172	$5,223	$18,242	$17,052
Applicable income taxes	1,145	917	3,471	3,170
Net income	$5,027	$4,306	$14,771	$13,882

Shares outstanding:				
End of period	6,625,949	6,695,674	6,625,949	6,695,674
Average for period	6,647,435	6,695,674	6,670,026	6,697,145
Net income per share (based on average shares outstanding)	$.75	$.64	$2.21	$2.07

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SAN MATEO, CA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Electronic Arts (NASDAQ: ERTS) announced today that it expects September quarterly results to continue its recent trend of strong quarter-to-quarter growth in revenues and profits.

Trip Hawkins, president and CEO, said, "Our strategy to lead the 16-bit entertainment software market is really paying off. We expect this to be the first big 16-bit Christmas."

Factors in the September Quarter Electronic Arts' growth in its September quarter was fuelled primarily by increases in sales of 16-bit Electronic Arts label products.

During this three-month period, EA's core computer software business continued to show year-over-year growth. The company placed two 16-bit EA products in the Software Top 20, Centurion: Defender of Rome(TM), and Populous(TM). EA introduced several new products to strong initial orders, including Stormovik(TM), the first Soviet flight simulation, and a "Save on SONY(R)" promotional pack. IBM(R) also bundled an EA product for the first time; purchasers of selected PS/2 computers will receive PGA Tour(R) Golf free through January 1991.

As previously announced, EA's first 3 Sega(R) Genesis(R) titles accounted for almost $5 million in revenues from June through September, including a $1 million week in September. Electronic Arts also shipped its first Nintendo(R) title, Skate or Die 2(TM), in September, on schedule.

December Quarter Outlook EA expects continued growth in demand for entertainment software through Christmas, based on the 30-percent growth rate in demand during the first half of 1990 reported by the SPA, and the introduction of several important low-cost computers from IBM, Apple and Tandy.

The company will back its September releases with an exciting slate of new software releases for Christmas, including Powermonger(TM), the follow-on to Populous, a best-selling product worldwide. Ocean, its newest Affiliated

Label and a leading publisher in Europe, has announced plans to introduce six new titles through EA into the U.S. market this quarter as well.

Electronic Arts is experiencing continued demand for its 16-bit videogame titles. In Europe, where the Sega "Megadrive(R)" was introduced last month, EA's opening orders have been significantly higher than planned. In the United States, EA's next two Genesis titles, John Madden Football(TM), and Lakers vs Celtics & the NBA(R) Playoffs(TM), have been well received by reviewers and retailers alike.

An additional unplanned bonus is that EA's second Nintendo title is expected to ship three months earlier than planned. The Immortal(TM), a highly acclaimed dungeon combat adventure, will be released in early December and is expected to be on store shelves for Christmas.

Electronic Arts is a diversified entertainment software company, that develops publishes and distributes worldwide.

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ST. PETERSBURG, FL (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Shopping Network, Inc. (NYSE: HSN) announced today that its board of directors has approved an increase in HSN's previously announced Stock Repurchase Plan from $10,000,000 up to $20,000,000.

Roy M. Speer, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "This increase will give management additional discretionary authority and flexibility to repurchase stock as market conditions dictate."

CONTACT: Home Shopping Network corporate communications, 800-284-0469

-30- 677

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Alcoa (NYSE: AA) earned $125.1 million, or $1.46 a common share, for the third quarter 1990.

Third quarter 1989 earnings were $219.0 million, or $2.46 a common share.

Included in earnings for the 1990 third quarter were unfavorable translation and exchange adjustments of $10.9 million, or 13 cents a common share. The comparable 1989 quarter included unfavorable adjustments of $15.3 million, or 17 cents a common share.

Year-to-date, earnings were $435.6 million, or $5.01 a common share, compared with $780.2 million, or $8.79 a common share, for the first nine months of 1989. The 1990 period included unfavorable translation and exchange adjustments of $5.1 million, or six cents a common share, compared with favorable adjustments of $5.6 million, or six cents a common share, for the 1989 period. Return on shareholders' equity for the 1990 period, annualized, was 10.8 percent.

Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 compared with those for the same 1989 period reflect lower average aluminum ingot prices and an $82 million reduction in the earnings contributions from Alcoa's Brazilian affiliate due to government actions, which Alcoa supports, to improve that country's economy.

Third quarter 1990 earnings were $37 million lower than second quarter 1990 earnings due to a $20 million unfavorable swing in translation and exchange adjustments, lower prices on some products, and higher costs due to scheduled shutdowns at several plants for modernization, maintenance and vacations.

Sales for the 1990 third quarter were $2.7 billion compared with $2.8 billion for the 1989 third quarter. Aluminum product shipments were 696,000 metric tons (mt) compared with 679,000 mt in the year-ago quarter.

Year-to-date, sales were $8.0 billion compared with $8.2 billion for the first nine months of 1989, while shipments were 1,999,000 mt compared with 1,944,000 mt.

Alcoa is the world's largest aluminum producer. The company has 152 operating and sales locations in 20 countries, employing 61,000 people worldwide.

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ST. LOUIS, (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwestern Bell Capital Corp. today filed a shelf registration with the Securities and Exchange Commission registering an additional $800 million in debt securities, bringing the total amount of registered debt securities to $1,033,675,000.

Capital Corp. intends to use the proceeds principally to provide funds in connection with the diversification activities of Southwestern Bell Corp. (NYSE: SBC), to repay long- and short-term debt of Capital Corp., to provide funds to the non-telephone subsidiaries of Southwestern Bell Corp., and to provide funds for the general corporate purposes of Southwestern Bell Corp.

The primary function of the Capital Corp., a wholly owned financing subsidiary of Southwestern Bell Corp., is to raise funds through the offering and sale of debt securities in the United States, European and other overseas markets, and

to lend the proceeds to the non-telephone subsidiaries of Southwestern Bell Corp. The financing activities of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company will continue to be handled independently.

Southwestern Bell Capital Corp. has been an issuer of debt instruments since 1986.

The debt securities related to the new registration statement may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

A written prospectus, regarding these securities may be obtained by submitting a written request to Corporate Manager-SEC Compliance, Southwestern Bell Corp. One Bell Center, Room 39-N-5, St. Louis, Mo. 63101-3099.

CONTACT : Gary Ford of Southwestern Bell Corp., 314-235-7100

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COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - ICN Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NYSE: ICN) said today sales in the third quarter increased 47 percent to a record $63 million as compared to last year's third quarter of $43 million.

The company said that although its biomedical and pharmaceutical marketing subsidiaries registered record net income and sales in the quarter, ICN Pharmaceuticals recorded a loss for the quarter of $5.5 million or 48 cents a share.

ICN said the third quarter results were affected by non-cash items, including currency translations, of $9.1 million.

ICN Biomedicals Inc., the company's 80-percent-owned biotechnology research and medical diagnostics subsidiary, reported record net income of $2.8 million on record sales of $31 million. The successful acquisition of Flow Laboratories in November 1989, which expanded ICN Biomedicals international operating base, contributed significantly to the third quarter income and sales gains.

SPI Pharmaceuticals Inc., the company's 89-percent-owned pharmaceutical marketing subsidiary, registered record net income of $3.4 million, or 28 cents a share, on record sales of $31 million.

Sales growth was led by U.S. sales, which experienced strong growth in

myasthenia gravis and dermatological products. Sales of the antiviral Virazole (ribavirin), which is marketed in the United States for the aerosolized treatment of infants and young children hospitalized with severe respiratory tract infection caused by respiratory syncytial virus, was also ahead in the quarter. International sales benefited from gains in Mexico, Spain and Holland.

Viratek, the company's 83-percent owned pharmaceutical research and development subsidiary, reported net income of $210,000 or 2 cents a share.

ICN said it continued its debt repurchase program during the quarter. It said it repurchased $2 million of its publicly outstanding debt, recording a gain of $859,000, or 7 cents a share, from the repurchase.

ICN Pharmaceuticals is a family of health care companies that makes, markets and distributes a wide range of pharmaceuticals, biotechnology research and medical diagnostic products throughout many parts of the world.

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#90285p4311 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

OMAHA, NE (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - On Oct. 10, 1990, the board of directors of Wedding Information Network, Inc. (NASDAQ: WINN), a Delaware corporation, accepted the resignation of Douglas A. Newman as an officer and director of the company as the result of a severance agreement negotiated with the company. Newman had served as co-chairman of the board of directors, chief executive officer and chief financial officer of the company.

In settlement of his employment agreement, which ran through Sept. 15, 1993, Newman received a cash payment of $425,000, which is equal to the approximate present value of the salary, bonus and benefits Newman would have received during his remaining employment term. As a part of the settlement, Newman has agreed not to compete with the company for a period of 30 months and has given the company a general release of any claims against it by him. He has also agreed to be available on demand of the company for a period of 12 months on a consulting basis at a fee of $150 per hour. The company is not obligated to utilize Newman's services for any fixed amount of time.

The severance agreement was approved by the board of directors with Newman and Kenneth L. Nanfito abstaining. Nanfito purchased all of Newman's 198,827 shares of Class A common stock for $50,000. Nanfito, who was co-chairman of the board and vice president, was elected chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the company.

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#90285p4313 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First Chicago Corp. (NYSE: FNB) today declared quarterly dividends on the corporation's four issues of preferred stock.

The cash dividend on the outstanding preferred stock with cumulative and adjustable dividends ($50 stated value) was $1.04375 per share, payable Dec. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record on Dec. 7.

The cash dividend on the outstanding preferred stock with cumulative and adjustable dividends, Series B ($100 stated value) was $1.50 per share, payable Nov. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 2.

The cash dividend on the outstanding preferred stock with cumulative and adjustable dividends, Series C ($100 stated value) was $1.85 per share, payable Nov. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 2.

The cash dividend on the outstanding $3.75 cumulative convertible preferred stock, Series A ($50 stated value) was $0.9375 per share, payable Jan. 1, 1991 to stockholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

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#90285p4315 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
DETROIT (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Detroit Edison (NYSE: DTE) today announced the highest September electricity sales in the company's history. Total sales of 3.7 billion kilowatthours (kWh) rose 2.8 percent from September 1989.

The sales record was bolstered by record residential sales for the month. Above-average temperatures through mid-September with increased air conditioning use resulted in residential sales of 1.1 billion kWh, up 8 percent from a year earlier.

Commercial sales of 801 million kWh were up 4.8 percent from September 1989. Again, air conditioning usage contributed to the increase.

Industrial sales for the month of 1.7 billion kWh declined slightly, down 1.2 percent from September 1989. When adjusted for this September's shorter industrial billing period, industrial sales levels remained approximately the same as in 1989.

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#90285p4317 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI, (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Atico Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ATFC) announced today that on Oct. 11, 1990 a Dade County Circuit Court jury returned a verdict against its subsidiary bank in the amount of $11.0 million compensatory damages and $1.0 million punitive damages in an action brought by a borrower alleging that the bank had breached a loan commitment.

The company believes that the verdict of the jury was contrary to the law, the facts and the evidence. After appropriate post trial motions are heard, if they are not granted, the company intends to appeal to the Third District Court of Appeals of Florida, and the company and its counsel believe that there is a good possibility that the judgement will be reversed on appeal.

Atico Financial Corporation is a bank holding company with its headquarters in Miami with total assets of $671.4 million as of June 30, 1990.

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#90285p4318 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
PARIS (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied-Signal Automotive, Southfield, Mich., U.S.A., will purchase the brake friction material business of Valeo, Paris, for 385 million FF ($74 million), creating one of the largest and most broadly based friction material suppliers in Europe.

Signing of the purchase agreement was announced today by John W. Day, president of Allied-Signal Automotive. Closing is scheduled Dec. 1, 1990. Conclusion of the acquisition is subject to various approvals, including the Valeo board and the French Ministry of Finance.

With the acquisition, Allied-Signal will reinforce its position as a world leading producer of brake friction materials, according to Mark W. Semeyn, vice president and group executive of the firm's Friction Materials Group.

Allied-Signal currently supplies friction materials to the European market through Jurid Werke G.m.b.H., Hamburg, Germany, and Bendix Europe, Paris. Jurid and Bendix are operating units of Allied-Signal.

The businesses being acquired consist of a French subsidiary and a Spanish operation of Valeo which will strengthen the Friction Materials Group's position in the compact and mid-size vehicle segments of the European market, said Semeyn.

It also will enhance the firm's ability to supply the European independent aftermarket and position it to serve the developing markets of Eastern Europe, he added. Semeyn pointed out that the acquired operations will continue to supply brake friction materials to Valeo Distribution for resale in the independent aftermarket.

According to the agreement, Allied-Signal will acquire a 400,000- square-foot factory in Conde-sur-Noireau, France, and lease various facilities from Valeo in St. Ouen, France, and Alcala de Henares, Spain. The agreement also includes continued use of a proving grounds and other testing facilities at Mortefontaine, France.

The leased facilities consist of offices and a technical center in St. Ouen and a 40,000-square-foot production facility in Alcala de Henares.

Over 1,200 people, including about 100 engineers and technicians in research and development, are employed at the affected operations. Over 900 are employed at the Conde-sur-Noireau factory.

Valeo is Europe's second-ranking automotive components and systems manufacturer and has a strong presence worldwide with 100 facilities in Europe North and South America, Asia and Africa. It is a world leader in clutches, clutch facings, engine cooling, steering column locks and IR remote control central locking devices.

The Allied-Signal Friction Materials Group with its affiliates and licensees is one of the world's leading independent producers of brake friction materials for the automotive and aerospace industries. It has operations in the United States, Canada, Brazil, Germany, Spain, Australia and Korea.

Allied-Signal Automotive is part of Allied-Signal, Inc. (NYSE: ALD), an advanced technology company with businesses in automotive, aerospace and engineered materials.

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#90285p4329 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CUMBERLAND, R.I. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Valley Resources, Inc. (AMEX: VR) today announced that net income for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990 amounted to $3,209,000 as compared with the prior year's $2,982,300, a 7.6 percent increase. Earnings per share for the 12-month period were 80 cents as compared with 78 cents for the preceeding year. Weighted average shares outstanding at Aug. 31, 1990 were 4,036,286 as compared with 3,822,786 at Aug. 31, 1989. The increased shares resulted from the 350,000 common share offering in February 1990.

Charles H. Goss, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Valley Resources, said, "Each of the corporation's subsidiaries saw improved earnings in fiscal 1990. The utility operations experienced growth in firm Mcf sales and customers. Propane operations improved its net income through the addition of customers. Merchandising operations offset decreased sales through cost controls and improved inventory management. The rental and service contract programs continued to attract new customers."

Revenues were $61,407,600 for the 12-month period ended Aug. 31, 1990 as compared with the previous year's $59,686,000. The increase in revenues is attributable to the utility operations.

Revenues for the fourth quarter were $9,850,800 as compared with $9,997,200 for the same period of the preceeding year. The net loss in the fourth quarter amounted to $994,400 as compared with the prior year's $920,600. Loss per share for the fourth quarters amounted to 24 cents. Traditionally, the fourth quarter is a loss period because of a lack of heating sales by Valley Gas Company.

Valley Resources, Inc. is a public utility holding company with five wholly owned subsidiaries: Valley Gas Company, a regulated natural gas distribution company; Valley Appliance and Merchandising, a merchandising, appliance, rental, sales and service company; Valley Propane, Inc., a retail propane gas sales and service company; Rhode Island Development and Exploration Company, an inactive corporation; and Morris Merchants, Inc., d/b/a/ the Walter F. Morris Company, a wholesale distributor of franchised lines.

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#90285p4331 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - James P. Lennane, chairman of the ASK Stockholder Committee, announced today that the Delaware Chancery Court granted his request to reconsider Lennane's motion to enjoin the sale of ASK Computer Systems, Inc (NASDAQ: ASKI) common stock to Hewlett-Packard Corporation (NYSE: HWP) and Electronic Data Systems Corporation in connection with the proposed acquisition of Ingres Corporation. A hearing has been scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 18, 1990.

Lennane requested that the court reconsider his preliminary injunction motion in light of ASK's own delay of the consummation of the Ingres transaction and other reasons.

CONTACT: Mark H. Harnett of Dewe Rogerson, Inc., 212-688-6840, for the ASK Stockholder Committee

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#90285p4332 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
ANN ARBOR, MICH. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Durakon Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: DRKN) announced today that the company's Lapeer, Mich. production employees have ratified a three-year contract. The contract with Durakon employees, as represented by the UAW, will run until Jan. 31, 1994.

"We are pleased that the union contract has been ratified amicably and that our collective efforts can now be focused on enhancing our competitive advantage," said Durakon Industries, Inc. President and Chief Executive Officer, David Laro.

Durakon is the world's leading producer and distributor of pick-up truck bed-liners and roll-back car carriers. Headquarter in Ann Arbor, Mich., it has manufacturing facilities in Lapeer and Clare, Mich., Brentwood, Tenn., and Greencastle, Pa.

CONTACT: Wes L. Hardenburg, director of finance of Durakon Industries, 313-664-0850

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#90285p4336 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
VOORHEES, N.J. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Plasma-Therm Inc. (NASDAQ: PTIS) today reported a net loss for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, of $40,470 (Nil per share) on sales of $8,479,905 as compared to net income of $425,196 ($.05 per share) on sales of $7,122,924 for the third quarter 1989.

Income per share was computed based on 8,278,119 and 8,085,435 outstanding shares for 1990 and 1989, respectively.

For the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, the company reported that sales increased by 32 percent to $24,946,377 as compared to $18,846,256 for the same period in the previous fiscal year. The company reported net income of $760,293 or $.09 per share, compared to net income of $924,402 or $.12 per share for the corresponding period in the previous fiscal year. Income per share was computed based on 8,206,440 outstanding shares for 1990 and 7,935,759 shares for 1989.

Management stated that 1990 third quarter results were negatively affected by $225,000 ($317,000 for nine months) of start-up expenses at its Florida subsidiary and a $200,000 charge off for obsolete and excess inventories.

Management further stated that new orders, particularly for inline systems, remain slow. In order to reduce costs, the company has laid off some personnel. To further reduce overheads and take advantage of lower Florida

operating costs, the company will transfer virtually all of its inline operations to Florida. This operation will combine with the batch system group previously transferred there. Concurrently, the company's RF Plasma Products subsidiary will move into the space previously occupied by the systems group.

Plasma-Therm, headquartered in Voorhees, is a producer of plasma process equipment and radio frequency "RF" component products used primarily by manufacturers of semiconductor devices.

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#90285p4337 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTGOMERY, AL. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Blount Inc. (AMEX: BLT) today announced it has agreed to acquire certain products from Industries Tanguay Inc. of Ste.-Foy, Quebec.

Both companies manufacture and market timber harvesting and handling equipment.

Under terms of the agreement, Blount will acquire engineering, manufacturing and marketing rights to all Tanguay products, including products currently under development.

"This acquisition is an integral part of our long-range plan to grow and build value," said Bill Van Sant, Blount Inc. president and chief operating officer. "The addition of Tanguay's fine products to the line of forestry equipment currently produced by Blount's Omark Material Handling Division is a key step in this plan. It will allow us to broaden the division's product offerings for its long-time and loyal dealers and customers, while positioning the company to be a more effective multi-national competitor."

Blount Inc. is an international manufacturing and construction company headquartered in Montgomery. Its Omark Material Handling Division manufacturers and markets Prentice(R) log loaders and Hydro-Ax(R) feller bunchers.

CONTACT: Dave Rickey of Blount, 205-244-4369

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#90285p4338 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - As previously estimated and announced on Sept. 21, Southeast Banking Corporation (NYSE: STB) today reported a third quarter net loss of $86.9 million. On a per fully diluted common share basis, the loss was $2.62.

On Sept. 21, Southeast also reported that it is in discussions to sell its credit card portfolio. It is expected that the gain from this sale will more than offset the third quarter loss. Southeast expects to complete the transaction by year-end.

The third quarter loss was primarily the result of a $115 million provision for possible credit losses, also previously estimated and reported on Sept. 21 and carrying costs for non-performing assets.

Southeast's non-performing assets declined during the quarter to $613 million as of Sept. 30, down from $619 million reported at June 30, 1990.

In line with the company's prior announcement, the reserve for possible credit losses at Sept. 30, 1990 was $309 million. The reserve is 63 percent of non-performing loans. The reserve for possible credit losses as of Sept. 30 as a percent of period-end loans was 3.2 percent.

"We find a strong indication under current economic conditions that the portfolio is stabilizing," said Charles J. Zwick, chairman and chief executive officer. "As we look to 1991, we believe our non-performing assets will trend down."

During the third quarter, Southeast completed the sale of the residential servicing rights and certain related assets of Southeast Mortgage Company to Sears Mortgage Corporation. The gain on the sale was $31.6 million, of which $11.4 million was recorded in the third quarter with the remainder to be deferred.

Deposits at Sept. 30, 1990 were $11.7 billion compared with $11.8 billion for the same 1989 quarter. Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $14.6 billion compared with $16.1 billion for the same 1989 quarter.

At Sept. 30, Southeast had total shareholders' equity of $665 million, and a book value of $18.17 per common share. Southeast's primary capital ratio was 7.36 percent at Sept. 30, compared with 7.17 percent for June 30.

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#90285p4350 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Iroquois Brands, Ltd. (AMEX: IBL) ("Iroquois") reported a net loss of $2.6 million or $1.16 per share for its first quarter ended March 31, 1990 on net sales of $3.7 million. These results compare with a net loss of $238,000 or 16 cents per share for the first quarter of 1989.

According to David C. Whipple, executive vice president, "the profits generated by Iroquois' operating businesses during the first quarter of 1990 were not sufficient to offset corporate financial responsibilities." During the quarter, Iroquois incurred interest and debt amortization expense related to its outstanding subordinated debentures of approximately $1.0 million. In addition to ongoing corporate expenses, the company also incurred significant legal, auditing and investment banking charges as part of its acquisition of Benzole (UK) Limited which was completed on May 11, 1990.

On Sept. 17, 1990, Iroquois announced that it was unable to meet its sinking fund requirement pursuant to the terms of its subordinated debentures. Iroquois also failed to meet its semiannual interest payment on the debentures due on Sept. 15, 1990. Iroquois' external auditors noted in their report on Iroquois' 1989 financial statements that the requirements to make these payments, combined with certain other obligations of the company, raised doubt about Iroquois' ability to continue as a going concern without restructuring of the company debt. Iroquois' management remains committed to explore all avenues to resolve matters associated with the subordinated debentures in the best interest of all concerned parties.

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BLUFFTON, IN (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Earnings of Franklin Electric Co., Inc. (NASDAQ: FELE) for the third quarter of 1990 were $3.4 million or $.41 per share, compared to third quarter 1989 earnings of $2.7 million or $.88 per share, William H. Lawson, chairman and chief executive officer, reported today.

For the first nine months of 1990, earnings were $9.6 million or $1.12 per share compared to $8.9 million or $2.99 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Third quarter and first nine months 1989 earnings per share would have been $.23 and $.86, respectively, had the plan of recapitalization, which was completed on Oct. 3, 1989, been in place at the beginning of 1989.

Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $46.0 million compared to $41.5 million for the same period a year ago. For the first nine months of 1990, sales were $136.8 million compared to $133.7 million for the first nine months of 1989.

Lawson stated, "Given the ongoing contraction in the American economy, we are pleased that our third quarter results are not only a significant improvement over last year, but are also on target with our 1990 business plan. We continue to vigorously pursue our four-part corporate strategy of aggressive global expansion, especially in Europe, a focus on profitable niche markets in

North America, relentless productivity improvement, and tight expense control. In today's turbulent world there can be no guarantees for the future, but our strategy is working and we are approaching 1991 thoughtfully and with caution."

Franklin Electric is a leading manufacturer of electric motors, including submersible motors, fractional horsepower motors, and gearmotors for home, farm, municipal, and industrial use.

FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO., INC. SUMMARY OF EARNINGS
(In thousands except per share amounts)

	Third quarter		percent	Three Quarters		percent
Period ended	9/29/90	9/30/89	change	9/29/90	9/30/89	change
Net sales	$46,004	$41,529	11	$136,758	$133,703	2
Income before income taxes and extraordinary credit	5,278	4,026		15,091	13,630	
Income taxes	1,959	1,348		5,760	4,899	
Extraordinary credit -- benefit of loss carryforward	53	58		253	149	
Net income	3,372	2,736	23	9,584	8,880	8
Dividends on preferred stock	838	--		2,638	--	
Net income available to common shares	$ 2,534	$ 2,736		$ 6,946	$ 8,880	
Weighted average common shares	6,192	3,113		6,185	2,972	
Net income per common share	$ .41	$ .88		$ 1.12	$ 2.99	

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PHOENIX, AZ (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntellect Inc. (NASDAQ: SYNL), the leading supplier of interactive voice response systems, today announced revenues and earnings for the third quarter and nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net revenues for the third quarter were $9.7 million, up 60 percent over revenues of $6.1 million for the same quarter last year. Net income for the third quarter was $1.4 million, or $.17 per share, compared to $323,000, or $.05 per share, for the comparable quarter in 1989, an increase of 347 percent.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net revenues were $28.2 million, up 66 percent over revenues of $17 million for the same period last year. Net income for the nine-month period was $4.3 million, or $.54 per share, compared to $796,000, or $.13 per share for the comparable period in 1989.

C. Philip Chapman, executive vice president and chief financial officer, stated that, "Although revenues for the third quarter were below expectations, Syntellect's business fundamentals remained strong with good base (non-OEM) business growth, product margins being maintained and operating expenses under control."

Dr. S. Thomas Emerson, president and chief executive officer, said, "Syntellect's year-over-year revenue growth for the third quarter was well in excess of the average interactive voice response industry growth rate, resulting in continued market share gains by the company. Looking forward, we continue to see very favorable indications of growth for Syntellect and IVR technology...even in a difficult economic environment."

Syntellect Inc. develops, markets and supports a family of IVR systems, and is the leading supplier of these systems worldwide. IVR systems allow individuals to use their touch-tone telephones to access information and services controlled by host computers. Syntellect's products are distributed on a worldwide basis and are also sold through an OEM relationship with IBM (NYSE: IBM). The company has its headquarters in Phoenix, domestic regional sales offices in San Francisco, Chicago, Atlanta and New Jersey, and international sales offices in Toronto and Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

The following statement summarizes Syntellect's quarterly and year- to-date results of operations for the periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 (in thousands, except per share amounts).

SYNTELLECT INC. FINANCIAL SUMMARY
(In thousands except per share amount)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$9,693	$6,081	$28,242	$17,068
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of revenues	3,463	2,242	10,059	6,345
Selling, general and administrative	4,088	2,648	11,485	7,594
Research and development	1,200	955	3,474	2,736
Total costs and expenses	8,751	5,845	25,018	16,675
Operating income	942	236	3,224	393
Interest income, net	561	87	1,185	403
Income before income taxes	1,503	323	4,409	796
Income taxes, net of tax benefit	60	--	110	--
Net income	$1,443	$323	$4,299	$796
Net income per common and equivalent share	$.17	$.05	$.54	$.13
Shares used in per				

share calculations	8,655	6,357	8,008	6,347

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Syntellect Inc.

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DALLAS, (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - USA Waste Services Inc. (NASDAQ: USAS) today announces third quarter 1990 earnings of $132,700, or $.047 per share, compared with $28,075, or 1 cent per share for the same period for 1989.

Terry W. Patrick, president and chief operations officer also announces the election of Donald F. Moorehead as chairman, chief executive officer and a director of USA Waste Services effective Oct. 1, 1990. Moorehead was previously chairman and a director of Mid American Waste Systems of Canal Winchester, Ohio. USA Waste Services is a solid waste disposal company,

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DALLAS (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Central and South West Corp. (NYSE: CSR) said today that its Central and South West Services unit has filled two key management positions in its treasury division.

Wendy G. Hargus was named director of investor relations for Central and South West Services Inc., effective Oct. 15.

Rocky R. Miracle was named assistant treasurer and director of finance, effective Oct. 16. Miracle also was named assistant treasurer of the parent Central and South West Corporation, subject to approval by the corporation's board of directors.

Hargus has been with the Central and South West system for 10 years. She joined West Texas Utilities Co., a Central and South West subsidiary, in 1980 and worked in the treasury and controller's departments at WTU. In 1986, she transferred to Central and South West Services, where she has worked in the financial accounting and strategic planning departments.

Hargus has a bachelor of business administration degree in accounting from McMurry College and a master of science degree in accounting from Texas Tech University. She is a certified public accountant in Texas.

Besides investor relations, Hargus will be responsible for the shareholders services area at Central and South West Services.

Miracle currently is financial services manager for Texas Utilities Services Inc. He has been with the Texas Utilities system since 1975 and has a broad background in finance, accounting and ratemaking. He has a bachelor of business administration degree in finance from the University of Texas at Austin, a master of business administration degree in finance from East Texas State University and a master of arts degree in political economy from the University of Texas at Dallas.

As assistant treasurer and director of finance, Miracle will be responsible for the Central and South West system's long-term finance, investments, management of benefit plan assets, and cash management. He fills the position left vacant when Paul F. Douty Jr. was promoted to vice president of finance at West Texas Utilities Co.

Central and South West Corporation is a Dallas-based public utility holding company. It owns four electric operating subsidiaries that serve customers in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas. It also owns an Oklahoma intrastate natural-gas pipeline subsidiary and five other subsidiaries.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (NYSE: CHV) announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $1.50/bbl was effective yesterday, Thursday, Oct. 11 at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$39.25 for West Texas Intermediate
$37.25 for West Texas Sour
$39.75 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore)

New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E56. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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OMAHA, NEB. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - America First Federally Guaranteed

Mortgage Fund 2 (NASDAQ: AFMBZ) announced today that it has entered into an agreement to sell a 100 percent participation interest in its mortgage on Posada Vallarta, located in Phoenix. The mortgage, which is in default, was purchased by the Fund in 1986 at 93 percent of its remaining principal balance. This mortgage is insured by the FHA and management has the option to either assign the mortgage to HUD for 99 percent of the remaining principal balance of $13,379,772 or to sell the participation interest in the defaulted mortgage.

Because of the current interest rate environment, management has taken advantage of the opportunity to sell the participation interest in the mortgage for approximately 101.5 percent of the remaining principal balance. By selling the participation interest, rather than assigning the mortgage to HUD, the Fund will increase its gain by approximately $330,000 for a total gain of approximately $1,100,000.

A special distribution of $1.3124 per unit, which represents the amount which would normally have been distributed from HUD insurance proceeds, will be paid on Oct. 31, 1990, to holders of record as of Oct. 15, 1990. Of the $1.3124, $.0559 represents gain on the sale, and $1.2565 represents a return of capital. Distribution of the remaining proceeds in contingent upon the buyer's receipt of HUD debentures and conclusion of the transaction. Accordingly, the remaining proceeds will be held in escrow and distributed to investors who are holders of record when the debentures are issued.

The Fund continues to hold 21 FHA-insured mortgages with a carrying value of 82 percent of their remaining face value.

CONTACT: Maurice Cox of America First Federally Guaranteed Mortgage Fund 2, 402-444-1630

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WICHITA, KS (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Fourth Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: FRTH), today announced third quarter net earnings of $4,059,000, or 22 cents a share, and year-to-date net earnings of $13,327,000, or 74 cents a share. In 1989, third quarter net profits were $8,393,000, or 48 cents a share, and year-to-date net earnings were $25,452,000, or $1.47 a share.

Third quarter earnings of $4,059,000 represent a significant increase over the $636,000 reported in the second quarter when earnings were affected by the company's decision to make a special $10-million provision for credit losses and losses on other real estate and nonperforming assets. During the third quarter, the company continued to build reserves for loans. The third quarter provision for loan losses was $6.2 million. This higher than normal provision brings the total reserve for loan losses to $30,870,000 or 1.49 percent of loans. "Improving asset quality is our highest priority," said Jordan L.

Haines, Chairman of the Board. "Continuing to build reserves is not only the conservative thing to do, but prudent in view of declining commercial real estate values and the growing threat of recession."

At period-end, Fourth Financial owned a total of 12 BANK IV affiliates with total assets of $4.1 billion and deposits of $3.5 billion.

Headquartered in Wichita, Fourth Financial's primary business is the ownership and management of the BANK IV network of commercial bank subsidiaries throughout Kansas. The company's nonbank subsidiaries include a consumer lending company and a credit life insurance company. Its common stock is traded in the national over-the-counter market. On Oct. 11, 1990, the stock closed at $17 per share.

FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP.
Consolidated Financial Highlights

	For the Three Months Ended		
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept.30 1989	Percent Change
At Period-End (In Thousands)			
Assets	$4,073,359	$3,010,306	35.3pct.
Investment & Trading Securities	1,185,239	869,643	36.3
Loans & lease financing	2,072,454	1,518,633	36.5
Deposits	3,479,444	2,520,638	38.0
Long-term debt	7,421	5,432	36.6
Stockholders' equity	278,889	256,372	8.8
Daily Averages (In Thousands)			
Assets	$4,078,780	$2,893,857	40.9pct.
Investment & Trading Securities	1,146,758	764,985	49.9
Loans & lease financing	2,162,004	1,490,624	45.0
Deposits	3,501,004	2,412,164	45.1
Long-term debt	7,659	5,653	35.5
Stockholders' equity	280,225	252,584	10.9
Income And Dividends (In Thousands)			
Interest income	$92,152	$68,019	35.5pct.
Interest expense	59,550	41,511	43.5
Net interest income	32,602	26,508	23.0
Provision for credit losses	6,156	1,512	3.1x
Net interest income after provision for credit losses	26,446	24,996	5.8
Investment securities gains	65	3	20.7x
Other non-interest income	11,520	9,436	22.1
Non-interest expense	(32,091)	(23,882)	34.4
Net costs of other real estate and other assets	(478)	(84)	4.7x
Income before income taxes	5,462	10,469	(47.8)

Income tax expense	1,403	2,076	(32.4)
Net income	$4,059	$8,393	(51.6)
Cash dividends	$3,991	$3,737	6.8
Per Share			
Earnings per common share	$0.22	$0.48	(54.2)pct.
Cash Dividends	0.22	0.21	4.8
Book value at 9/30	15.48	14.79	4.7
Market value at 9/30 (bid)	17.25	22.00	(21.6)
Avg. Shares outstanding (000s)	18,120	17,291	4.8
Other Statistics (1)			
Net yield on earning assets (2)	3.92pct.	4.70pct.	---
Return on stockholders' equity (annualized)	5.75	13.18	---
Return on assets (annualized)	0.39	1.15	---
Long-term debt/equity	2.73	2.24	---
Equity/assets	6.87	8.73	---
Net charge-offs/loans and lease financing (annualized)	0.75	0.62	---
Nonperforming assets/period-end loans and lease financing	2.39	1.64	---
Allowance for credit losses/period-end loans and lease financing	1.49	1.36	---

	For the Nine Months Ended		
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989	Percent Change
At Period-End (In Thousands)			
Assets	$4,073,359	$3,010,306	35.3pct.
Investment & trading securities	1,185,239	869,643	36.3
Loans & lease financing	2,072,454	1,518,633	36.5
Deposits	3,479,444	2,520,638	38.0
Long-term debt	7,421	5,432	36.6
Stockholders' equity	278,889	256,372	8.8
Daily Averages (In Thousands)			
Assets	$3,643,644	2,772,721	31.4pct.
Investment & trading securities	1,084,882	737,550	47.1
Loans & lease financing	1,863,397	1,495,009	24.6
Deposits	3,104,140	2,307,332	34.5
Long-term debt	6,422	5,728	12.1
Stockholders' equity	277,711	247,913	12.0
Income And Dividends (In Thousands)			
Interest income	$247,342	$195,482	26.5pct.
Interest expense	154,972	115,450	34.2
Net interest income	92,370	80,032	15.4
Provision for credit losses	17,893	3,988	3.5x
Net interest income after provision for credit losses	74,477	76,044	(2.1)

Investment securities gains	709	57	11.4x
Other non-interest income	32,566	27,849	16.9
Non-interest expense	(87,458)	(71,203)	22.8
Net costs of other real estate and other assets	(2,812)	(1,082)	1.6x
Income before income taxes	17,482	31,665	(44.8)
Income tax expense	4,155	6,213	(33.1)
Net income	$13,327	$25,452	(47.6)
Cash dividends	$11,894	$10,448	13.8 Per Share
Earnings per common share	$0.74	$1.47	(49.7)pct.
Cash dividends	0.66	0.61	8.2
Book value at 9/30	15.48	14.79	4.7
Market value at 9/30 (bid)	17.25	22.00	(21.6)
Avg. shares outstanding (000s)	17,971	17,257	4.1
Other Statistics (1)			
Net yield on earning assets (2)	4.25pct.	5.01pct.	---
Return on stockholders' equity (annualized)	6.42	13.73	---
Return on assets (annualized)	0.49	1.23	---
Long-term debt/equity	2.31	2.31	---
Equity/assets	7.62	8.94	---
Net charge-offs/loans and lease financing (annualized)	0.80	0.50	---
Nonperforming assets/period-end loans and lease financing	2.39	1.64	---
Allowance for credit losses/period-end loans and lease financing	1.49	1.36	---

(1) Based on daily averages.
(2) Stated on a tax-equivalent basis assuming a marginal tax rate of 34 percent.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Jewelmasters, Inc. (AMEX: JEM) today announced the opening of its second manufacturers outlet store at the Grand Court in the Franklin Mills outlet mall, located north of Philadelphia.

The store, called Jewelmasters Department Store Manufacturers Outlet, will offer fine fashion jewelry at savings of 60 to 80 percent off department store prices. The stores' extensive merchandise selection will include fine jewelry manufactured by Jewelmasters as well as 30 to 60 percent off on brand-name watches.

"We are pleased and excited to open the Franklin Mills store, which marks

Jewelmasters' return to Philadelphia," said Josef J. Barr, chairman and chief executive officer. Prior to 1970, Jewelmasters was headquartered in Philadelphia and operated the family-owned Barr's Jewelers & Silversmiths there.

"Philadelphia holds a special place in Jewelmasters' corporate history, since we served the public here for so many decades, and had such a loyal following " said Barr. "We are happy to return and look forward to providing Franklin Mills' customers with an exceptional selection of quality jewelry at manufacturers prices."

Jewelmasters, Inc. designs, manufactures and sells fine jewelry through leased departments in better department and specialty stores nationwide. The company also opened its first manufacturers outlet store at Sawgrass Mills in Fort Lauderdale last week and will open a third outlet store at Potomac Mills in Washington, D.C. in mid-November. In addition, a second Palm Beach couture fine jewelry salon will be opened in mid-November at Pentagon City, a Washington, D.C. suburb.

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ST. PAUL, MN. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Graphics Corporation (NASDAQ: MGCC) announced today the resignation of Michael G. Snow, vice president of Advanced Research and Medical Marketing Programs. These responsibilities will now be directed by Terrance J. Kapsen, vice president, Marketing.

Snow joined Medical Graphics in 1983 as Technical Services manager. He was named vice president of Research and Development in May 1986 and assumed his most recent position Oct. 1, 1990.

Snow plans to pursue interests in clinical research. Medical Graphics Corporation is a world leader in providing high quality, easy to use, technologically advanced diagnostic and monitoring systems for the early detection and treatment of heart and lung disease. The company's products are marketed to pulmonary, cardiology, and critical care specialists worldwide.

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DALLAS (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Diamond Lumber Inc., a descendent of the famous Diamond Match Co., has closed the last 21 of its operating lumberyards

on the West Coast and New England states and has placed the properties up for sale. The announcement was made by Bernard Kritzer, chief executive officer of Diamond Lumber Inc., and its parent, Michigan General Corp.

The two companies filed Chapter 11 bankruptcy in Sacramento, Calif., on Aug. 22, 1990. The cases were ordered transferred to Dallas on Oct. 5, 1990.

Kritzer said that the sales will take place in the courtroom of the Honorable Harold C. Abramson, United States Bankruptcy Judge in Dallas on Oct. 19, 1990 at 2:30 p.m. The courtroom is located on the 14th floor of the Federal Building at 1100 Commerce St.

Fifteen of the lumberyards are located in California, one in Reno, Nev., two in Rhode Island and three in Connecticut.

Kritzer said that offers must be in writing and received by noon, Wednesday, Oct. 17, Dallas time. Bid forms and further information on each location may be obtained by calling Diamond Lumber Inc., 1-800-888-0702, ext. 8023.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Primerica Corporation (NYSE: PA) announced today that it had, through the close of business today, repurchased a total of 668,200 shares of its common stock, pursuant to the company's announcement on Sept. 21, 1990, that it had authorized the repurchase of up to 3 million shares of its common stock, subject to market conditions. The purchases were made in the open market on the New York Stock Exchange at currently prevailing prices.

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#90285p4419 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - "While we feel the court award is substantially more than the amount to which Polaroid is entitled, we view the court's decision as a confirmation of our good faith in entering the instant photography business," Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) chairman, president and chief executive officer Kay R. Whitmore said today.

Whitmore's remarks were made in response to the opinion released today by U.S. District Court Judge A. David Mazzone, assessing damages in the 14-year old Polaroid-Kodak patent infringement suit. In his opinion, Judge Mazzone ruled that Kodak's infringement was not willful and awarded Polaroid a total of $909.5 million.

"Based on our understanding of the facts and applicable law, we can say that the award is substantially more than the amount to which we believe Polaroid is entitled," Whitmore said. "However, we are pleased that Judge Mazzone ruled that the patent infringement was not willful. It has always been our firm policy to respect the valid patent rights of others and the avoidance of any patent infringement was uppermost in our minds in the design of our instant cameras and film."

"This award will have no material financial impact on the company and will be paid from earnings," Whitmore added. "More importantly, this decision establishes that our infringement was not intentional and not due to any willful act on the part of Kodak."

In 1985, U.S. District Court Judge Rya Zobel ruled that Kodak had infringed seven Polaroid patents. Judge Zobel also issued an injunction barring Kodak from the manufacture and marketing of its instant cameras and film, which became effective Jan. 9, 1986.

"While Judge Mazzone's damage award is higher than we believe appropriate, it still represents less than five percent of the amount Polaroid requested," Whitmore noted.

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NEWARK, OHIO (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Park National Corporation (NASDAQ/NMS: PARK) today announced results for the third quarter and nine months of 1990. The results include those of Mutual Federal Savings Bank, Zanesville, Ohio, acquired by Park on Aug. 31, 1990. All current and historic figures have been adjusted to reflect pooling of interests accounting treatment used to effect the combination. Per share figures have been adjusted for the 180,000 shares of Park common stock issued pursuant to the acquisition of Mutual.

Park's net income is $3,657,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and $3,656,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Net income was $2.06 per share for the three months in both years. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Park's earnings increased 8 percent to $10,974,000 or $6.19 per share, compared to $10,151,000 or $5.73 per share for the same period of 1989.

Park's total assets and Stockholders' Equity at Sept. 30, 1990 were $1,107.6 million and $72.8 million respectively.

William T. McConnell, president and chief executive officer of Park said the increased earnings in 1990 over 1989 are a result of increases in earnings at all bank subsidiaries and the addition of Mutual Federal's earnings in both

years. He noted that the consummation of the Mutual Federal acquisition expands Park's primary service areas to counties contiguous to Park's current service area. He said Mutual Federal will continue to offer a high level of customer service under the same management and will operate in an autonomous mode in all customer-related areas. He added that Park has infused capital into Mutual Federal so that Mutual Federal meets all regulatory capital requirements.

Park National Corporation is a holding company whose subsidiaries include Park National Bank with 13 banking offices in Licking and Franklin counties, Fairfield National Division with three banking offices in Fairfield County, Richland Trust Company with nine banking offices in Richland County and Mutual Federal Savings Bank with 10 full service offices and two mortgage production offices in seven Southeastern Ohio counties.

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BOWLING GREEN, OH (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Mid Am, Inc. (NASDAQ: MIAM) announced that it has once again achieved record earnings. Income for the first nine months was $7,016,000. This represents an increase of 7.0 percent over the $6,557,000 recorded the first nine months of 1989. Per share earnings reflect a slight decline from $1.42 per share to $1.38 per share, due to the additional shares issued in the recent stock offering, of which part of the proceeds were invested in short-term, lower-rate assets until the completion of the acquisition of Home Saving and Loan Association.

The increase in earnings is particularly satisfying in light of the unprecedented barrage of negative news battering the industry's image in recent months, said a Mid Am representative. Regretfully, it is the tendency of the investment community to focus on difficulties in certain sectors of the industry and to assume that they apply to all financial institutions, the representative added. Mid Am is pleased that the market price of its stock has fared quite well in comparison to that of its peers.

Mid Am's dividend reinvestment plan continues to be a very popular means by which to conveniently increase shareholdings. This program is especially attractive for shareholders, given the recent trading price of common stock. Mid Am currently is working to enhance the program and plans to announce details of an updated, more attractive plan by year-end.

The board of directors declared a 10 percent stock dividend which was paid on Sept. 7, 1990 and also paid a third quarter cash dividend of $.24 per share, which represents a 5 percent increase from last year's third quarter dividend.

The acquisitions of The Citizens Loan and Building Company and Home Saving and

Loan Association have been completed, resulting in the holding company exceeding $1 billion in total assets at Sept. 30, 1990. This marks an important milestone for the Mid Am family. The economies of scale made available with the recent acquisitions will provide excellent opportunities for the company to achieve greater returns for shareholders and to better serve customers.

Mid Am views the current banking environment as an opportunity to further solidify strong customer relationships and garner additional business opportunities as they become available.

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TROY, MI (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Energy Conversion Devices Inc. ("ECD") (OTC: ENER) today reported its operating results for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, ECD and its consolidated subsidiaries which excludes ECD's subsidiary OIS Optical Imaging Systems, Inc. ("OIS") received total revenues of approximately $14,071,000. ECD's business agreements to license and develop new products and production technology generated revenues of approximately $3,561,000. Product sales were approximately $3,091,000, gains on sales of shares of ECD's OIS Common Stock totaled approximately $6,263,000 and other income was approximately $1,156,000.

In January 1990, ECD and Canon Inc. ("Canon") entered into an agreement which provided for the formation of a joint venture in the field of photovoltaics and provided for an $8,000,000 loan from Canon to ECD to fund its pre-joint venture photovoltaic and non-photovoltaic operations. In connection with the formation of the joint venture, in June 1990 the outstanding balance of the loan was converted into a portion of Canon's equity in the joint venture. As required under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, ECD recorded the credit of $8,000,000 as additional paid-in capital rather than as revenue. Had this item been recorded as revenue for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, ECD's operating results would have been a loss of approximately $350,000.

As a result of recording this item as paid-in capital, ECD incurred net losses for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, of approximately $8,366,000, primarily as a result of costs associated with the further development of the photovoltaic manufacturing process, the development of the battery manufacturing facility, marketing expenses and other related costs associated with the initial stages of manufacturing. This compares to a loss of approximately $2,236,000 for the year ended June 30, 1989, which included revenues of approximately $13,500,000 from an earlier agreement with Canon and

included a loss of approximately $1,273,000 incurred by OIS. Without this OIS loss, the consolidated loss for the year ended June 30, 1989, would have been approximately $963,000, or $.16 per share.

In commenting on the company's results, Stanford R. Ovshinsky, ECD's president and chief executive officer, stated that the company is extremely pleased with the business alliances formed during the past fiscal year. United Solar Systems, Inc. ("USSC"), the company's joint venture in photovoltaics with Canon, commenced operation in July 1990 and Sovlux, ECD's photovoltaics joint venture in the U.S.S.R., was formed in April 1990. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, the company's metal hydride battery subsidiary, Ovonic Battery Company, Inc. ("OBC"), expanded its license agreements with Hitachi-Maxell Ltd., of Japan ("Hitachi-Maxell"). OBC is currently supplying negative electrodes to a battery manufacturer in Hong Kong for manufacture into batteries and is negotiating additional licenses with other consumer battery manufacturers. OBC is also in active negotiations with automotive companies in the U.S., Japan and Europe to scale-up its proprietary batteries for use in electric cars.

ECD's business activities have been directed in large part toward the goal of developing new products and production technologies which can reduce the world's dependence on the use of non-renewable resources and environmentally dangerous processes. The global importance of these goals has been recently underscored by the serious international attention that is being given to dependence on foreign oil and national conflicts over control of oil, as well as, concerns over such environmental problems as atmospheric pollution and the greenhouse effect.

ECD has established joint venture and licensing agreements and is currently negotiating and discussing new business, licensing and financing agreements which it expects to generate sufficient near-term funds to not only continue its operations but also to expand its business in batteries as well as in the areas of superconductivity, magnets, and optical memory to bring its products in large volume to the market place.

Ovshinsky further stated: "The successful consummation of important business agreements concluded during the past year underscores the company's strategy of forming alliances with well-established partners who have the production and marketing abilities to advance ECD's products and technologies throughout the world."

ECD's operating results for the fiscal years ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 are as follows:

ENERGY CONVERSION DEVICES INC.

	Year Ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
	(In thousands)	

REVENUES		
Revenues from business agreements	$ 3,561	$18,857
Product Sales	3,091	4,335
Gain on sale of stock of OBC		1,000
Gain on sale of stock of OIS and Option	6,263	
Other	1,156	1,376
TOTAL REVENUES	$14,071	$25,568
TOTAL EXPENSES	$22,437	$27,804
NET (LOSS)	$(8,366)	$(2,236)
NET (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.36)	$(.37)

Had ECD been able to record the $8,000,000 received from Canon as revenue rather than paid-in-capital, ECD's operating results for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, would have been a loss of approximately $350,000.

Without the effect of OIS, ECD's consolidated loss increased by approximately $7,403,000. The increased loss in 1990 was due to inclusion in 1989 of revenues from the photovoltaic license agreement with Canon partially off set by (a) reduced losses at Sovonics, OSMC and OBC in 1990 and (b) a reduction of expenses in 1990 due to cost-cutting measures and the 1990 gain on the sale of OIS stock.

Product sales decreased from $4,335,000 in the year ended June 30, 1989, to $3,090,000 for the year ended June 30, 1990, due to the fact that OIS product and prototype sales of $506,000 for 1989 are included in 1989 and the timing for accounting purposes of international sales through ECD's foreign subsidiary in 1989. This decrease was partially offset by increases in 1990 in sales of OSMC products.

The decrease in revenues from business agreements from $18,856,000 in the year ended June 30, 1989, to $3,560,000 in the year ended June 30, 1990, was primarily due to (a) the inclusion in 1989 of revenues from both the photovoltaic license agreement with Canon and the OBC agreements with Varta Batterie A.G. of Germany and (b) the inclusion of OIS revenues of $2,289,000 in 1989. This decrease was partially offset by revenues in 1990 from (a) an OBC license agreement with Hitachi- Maxell (b) the agreement regarding the formation of Sovlux in the U.S.S.R., (c) an agreement in superconductivity and (d) an agreement regarding the formation of a joint venture in India.

ECD, based in Troy, is the pioneer in amorphous materials technology. The company and its subsidiaries form joint ventures, license technology and manufacture and sell products in the fields of energy, information and synthetic materials based upon technology ECD and its subsidiaries have developed. ECD's photovoltaic and battery products are environmentally safe and address such environmental problems as atmospheric pollution, protecting

the ozone layer, reducing hazardous waste and the greenhouse effect.

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TAMPA, FL (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Celotex Corporation announced today that it and its wholly owned subsidiary, Carey Canada Inc., have filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under Chapter 11 in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Florida, Tampa, Division.

Kenneth E. Hyatt, Celotex's new chairman, president and CEO, indicated that the Chapter 11 filings will enable Celotex to continue its currently successful and profitable manufacture and sale of a broad range of building materials while receiving the protection of the Bankruptcy Court from claims arising in asbestos-related litigation. Hyatt and several key employees of Jim Walter Corporation, the parent of Celotex, recently joined Celotex to lead the reorganization effort.

Hyatt stressed that Celotex will continue to operate its business as in the past. "Celotex will be open for business today and into the future and intends to meet its commitments to its customers, suppliers and employees," he said.

"Even though the construction sector of the economy has been weak, Celotex is profitable and performing well which reflects positively on its management and employees," Hyatt said. "The decision to file Chapter 11 was forced solely by an inability to continue to obtain insurance proceeds to fund the enormous costs associated with the massive asbestos-related litigation pending against them."

Celotex and Carey Canada have been engaged in defending asbestos-related litigation for over 15 years. What began with the filing of a handful of personal injury law suits in the early 1970s has grown to the point that, at the end of Septetmber 1990, there were more than 140,000 personal injury suits pending against the companies in state and Federal courts throughout the country. Since the inception of this massive litigation, the settlement and defense costs for personal injury and property damage claims paid by the companies have exceeded $587 million. The great majority of these funds have been paid by proceeds of insurance coverage which was available to the companies.

It is the companies' expectation that there will become available additional insurance coverage to pay existing and future personal injury and property damage claims. The companies have been engaged in litigation and other efforts to recover under these policies. However, several insurance carriers

have disputed coverage. This refusal of the companies' insurance carriers to respond to covered losses from asbestos-related litigation has resulted in the companies inability to fund the cost of settlement and defense. The companies have to date settled over 50,000 personal injury claims. However, many of the recent claims have been filed by claimants who are not suffering from any impairment or disease, and the cost of investigating and defending against such cases can no longer be sustained by the companies.

The companies expect, under the protection of the Bankruptcy Court, to be able to resolve their remaining insurance coverage disputes and to develop a plan which will permit fair and equitable payment of their current and future asbestos-related liabilities, as well as satisfaction of other creditor claims.

Reorganization, Hyatt said, "permits us, in a much more orderly and structured environment, to deal with the complex asbestos related litigation issues facing the companies. Given that opportunity, I am confident we will emerge from Chapter 11 as an even stronger and more viable company."

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MIAMI (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The shareholders of DWG Corporation (AMEX: DWH) holding their annual meeting here today, elected 10 directors. Elected directors were: Victor Posner, Steven Posner, Russell A. Boyle, Melvin R. Colvin, H. Douglas Kingsmore, Marco B. Loffredo Jr, William L. Pallot, Bernard I. Posner, Thomas A. Prendergast and Roger D. Stake. Shareholders also approved a new management incentive plan for the company and ratified the selection of Arthur Andersen & Co. as independent auditors to audit the financial statements of the company.

DWG also announced today the declaration of regular quarterly cash dividends of $.0875 per share on its $.35 cumulative convertible preferred stock and of $.15 per share on its $.60 cumulative convertible preferred stock, each to be paid on Nov. 1, 1990 to holders of record thereof at the close of business on Oct. 22, 1990.

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#90285p4453 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T today announced that it will cut prices of several of its in-state long-distance services by $42.4 million on Saturday, Oct. 13.

The rate reductions apply to AT&T's long-distance service, Reach Out California(R), PRO WATS California(R), One-Line WATS, and MEGACOM WATS/800.

"We're cutting prices because it's a competitive necessity," said Chris Ensign AT&T's California State Manager. "These rate reductions are important to maintain the competitiveness of AT&T's services in the state."

For long distance service, AT&T's reduction represents a $33 million savings to AT&T California customers, based on today's calling volumes. Evening rates will decrease 9.7 percent, while day rates will decrease 2.3 percent, for an overall reduction of 4.5 percent.

For AT&T Reach Out California(R), a new service offering available to customers at the end of 1990, AT&T lowered the first hour of the calling plan to $8.25, a savings of 6 percent. The popular 24-hour long-distance calling plan allows customers to pay $8.25 in return for an hour's worth of direct-dialed calls made within California between 5 p.m. and 8 a.m. Monday through Friday, and all day Saturday and Sunday. Customers are charged $6.90 for the second hour of calling and receive a 5 percent discount on all direct-dialed calls they make during the week between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

For AT&T PRO WATS California, AT&T reduced the recurring monthly fee from $15 to $5 a 66 percent decrease and increased the 10 percent price cut of each intrastate long-distance call to 15 percent, a 50 percent increase. PRO WATS is a discount plan for small business users of outgoing long-distance service.

For AT&T One Line WATS, AT&T reduced the price from 16 cents a minute to 15 cents a minute. One Line WATS enables customers to originate intrastate, interstate and international calls on a single dedicated access line.

For AT&T MEGACOM WATS/800, AT&T introduced intrastate volume discounts for its MEGACOM services which are targeted to AT&T's largest business customers.

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#90285p4454 10/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELKIN, N.C. (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Brendle's Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: BRDL), an upscale discount department store headquartered in Elkin, N.C., announces the Grand Opening of its second store in the Chattanooga area on October 19, 1990.

This new 40,000 square foot Brendle's store is located at the new Northtowne Center at 5450 Highway 153, Chattanooga, Tenn., and will feature the new raceway design for ease of shopping.

The Northtowne Center store will be managed by Don Wells, whose wife Faye

Wells is the Manager of the first Chattanooga location which opened on July 20 1990.

This will be the thirteenth of sixteen new stores Brendle's will open during its aggressive 1990 campaign, bringing their total to 58 stores throughout North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, and Georgia.

Brendle's, Inc. is a public company traded over the counter under the symbol BRDL.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - North American Metals Corp. (''NAM'') and Chevron Minerals Ltd. (''Chevron''), its 50 percent joint venture partner at the Golden Bear Mine, report new diamond drilling results from drilling by Golden Bear Operating Company Ltd. on the mine-site exploration program.

Hole	Target Structure	From (m)	Core Width (m)	True Width (m)	Grade gms/tonne Au	Ag
90-139	Internal Sliver Fault	80.92	2.66	1.92	38.8	41.4
	Footwall Fault	102.15	2.09	0.90	19.1	16.7
90-141	Bear Main Fault	48.17	4.41	4.19	8.7	0.1
90-142A	Slide Zone	31.09	1.14	1.01	7.0	0.4
90-UG-88	Bear Main Fault	72.76	9.87	6.60	4.4	13.4
90-UG-90	Internal Sliver Fault	62.60	6.39	4.15	3.6	5.5
90-UG-91	Bear Main Fault	46.06	2.18	1.96	4.6	9.5

Hole 90-139, 90-141 and the 90-UG underground holes are located north or above the 1360m level portal and the presently existing mineable reserves. Drilling in this area has targeted the Bear Main Fault and structures immediately parallel to the Bear Main Fault which hosts the present and previously reported mineable ore reserves at the mine.

Three holes (90-142A, 90-143, and 90-144) were drilled south of or below the Bear Main deposit. All holes were successful in extending the Bear Main Fault complex about 200m to the south. Only hole 90-142A returned encouraging results as reported above.

Only two underground holes remain to be reported from this 19-hole drill program.

As previously reported, the roaster at Golden Bear requires a major retrofit. The retrofit of the roaster is progressing and it is expected the roaster will

be on line within the three-month schedule. The plant, without the roaster, has operated above design capacity since early August.

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MIAMI (OCT. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Southeastern Public Service Company (PSE) today announced the results for the six and three months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

For the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, the company reported revenues of $109.6 million compared to $107.2 million in the prior year's comparable period. Net loss (including equity in earnings and losses of affiliates) amounted to $2.4 million ($.21 per share) compared to earnings of $1.7 million ($.15 per share) in the prior year's comparable period.

For the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, the company reported revenues of $56.4 million compared to $52.5 million in the prior year's comparable period. Net loss (including equity in earnings and losses of affiliates) amounted to $3.3 million ($.28 per share) compared to earnings of $34,000 ($.0 per share) in the prior year's comparable period.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 12) TASS -

SOVIET COSMONAUTS GENNADY MANAKOV AND GENNADY STREKALOV, THE CREW OF THE SEVENTH MAIN EXPEDITION, CONTINUE THEIR FLIGHT ON BOARD THE ORBITAL RESEARCH COMPLEX MIR.

THE COSMONAUTS REGULARLY MEASURE X-RAY, GAMMA-RAY AND NEUTRON RADIATION OF EXTRATERRESTRIAL ORIGIN UNDER THE PROGRAMME OF ASTRO-PHYSYCAL EXPERIMENTS BY MEANS OF THE BUKET TELESCOPE AND THE GRANAT SPECTROMETER MOUNTED ON THE KRISTALL MODULE.

THE COSMONAUTS CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE PROCESS OF GROWING SEMI-CONDUCTOR MONOCRYSTALS UNDER THE SPACE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMME ON THE GALLAR AND KRATER-B INSTALLATIONS.

UNDER A MEDICAL CONTROL PLAN, MANAKOV AND STREKALOV ON THURSDAY UNDERWENT THOROUGH CHECK-UP OF THE CARDIO-VASCULAR SYSTEM WITH A DOSAGED PHYSYCAL LOAD.

THIS MORNING THE CREW, IN ORDER TO STUDY THE ENVIRONMENT BY MEANS OF VIDEO SPECTRAL EQUIPMENT, PHOTOGRAPHED INDIVIDUAL AREAS ALONG THE FLIGHT PATH OVER THE CAUCASUS, THE CASPIAN DEPRESSION, AND THE ARAL SEA.

THE COSMONAUTS ARE PREPARING WORKPLACES AND SPACE SUITS IN VIEW OF THEIR SPACE WALL SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 19.

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#90285u0117 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - A 10th planeload of Western hostages landed in London carrying 386 foreigners, most of them American women and children, and U.S. officials said the flight could be the last for some time to leave Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

The chartered Iraqi aircraft arrived in London Thursday morning and most of the 142 Americans on board were expected to arrive in Raleigh, N.C., Friday afternoon. Officials said 27 Britons, 149 Jordanians and five Australians were on the flight along with other Arabs and Westerners.

It was the 10th airlift of Western hostages trapped by the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the first since Sept. 22.

Voice of America quoted U.S. officials as saying the flight could be the last carrying Westerners for some time from Iraq and Kuwait, where thousands of Western men are being held as human shields at key installations.

In other developments in the 2-month-old Persian Gulf crisis, a 63- year-old grandmother who volunteered to serve with the U.S. Air Force returned home from Saudi Arabia and a 22-year-old U.S. Marine who refused to board a flight for Saudi Arabia faced court-martial in Hawaii.

Cpl. Jeff Paterson of Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station said he does not want to fight for ''imperialistic economic interests'' and is seeking conscientious objector status. He refused to board a flight when his unit was deployed and sat down in the hangar as his sergeant tried to push him onto the plane.

The U.S. Air Force, imposing a safety standdown, grounded its training flights in Saudi Arabia for 24 hours in response to three recent Air Force plane crashes that killed six airmen.

From noon Saudi time Wednesday until noon Saudi time Thursday, ''The Air Force declared a flying standdown for one day to conduct safety awareness meetings with Air Force pilots,'' Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said.

President Bush told a group of military veterans in Washington that ''it's very clear that the strength of the our arms and the strength of our will is up to the challenge in the gulf.''

''The (Iraqi) regime is up against not only the law of nations, but also the law of mathematics,'' Bush said. ''The numbers are against them. Today, it's not Iraq vs. Kuwait, it's not Iraq vs. the United States. It's Iraq against the entire world.''

British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said a decision must be made ''in a matter of weeks'' on whether military force should be used against Saddam Hussein. Hurd told British Broadcasting Corp. television Thursday that the United States and Britain should decide whether diplomatic isolation and economic sanctions were sufficient to get Iraq out of Kuwait.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said the Persian Gulf crisis should not be linked to the Arab-Israeli problem despite outrage over the killings of dozens of Palestinians in Jerusalem.

Saddam has tried to link his invasion of Kuwait with the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip in hopes of winning support in the Arab world.

In other developments Thursday:

-Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath said he would depart Friday on an unofficial mission to meet with Saddam in Baghdad and try and negotiate the release of sick and older Britons held in Iraq and Kuwait.

-Iraq resumed negotiations with Iran, its former bitter enemy in the 1980-88 Gulf War. Saddam, seeking allies where he can, has made a number of concessions to Tehran and the neighboring countries are considering restoring diplomatic relations. Tehran has called for the withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait but has made it clear the issue will not affect Iraqi- Iranian ties.

-Lloyds Shipping Service reported that an Indian vessel carrying 1, 859 passengers had arrived in Dubai from the Iraqi port of Um Qasr. India has been ferrying hundreds of refugees from Iraq and Kuwait in ships.

-Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal said the Iraqi invasion had divided the Arab world to the point where it could not contend with the Israeli occupation of the territories. ''That's why the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait is so shocking to us because it creates a division in the Arab world so that it weakens our ability to face the Israeli occupation of Arab lands,'' he told a news conference in Bonn before meeting with Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

-The PLO Central Council accused Washington of ''turning its back on international legality'' as far as Jerusalem is concerned and called on Moslems to work ''for the immediate departure'' of U.S. forces from the Persian Gulf.

In a statement at the end of the two-day meeting in Tunis, the Central Council

of the Palestine Liberation Organization also urged all Arab countries, the world community and the U.N. Security Council ''to act rapidly and with force so as to put an end'' to what it described as terrorist activities by the Israeli forces in the occupied territories.

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#90285u0124 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - President Bush offered Thursday to trade higher taxes on wealthy Americans for lower ones on capital gains. But he was pessimistic about his offer's chances in Congress. Also Thursday, House Democrats unveiled their alternative budget plan. It would dramatically increase taxes on the rich- far more than Bush is willing to accept. It also contains so- called ''sin'' and luxury taxes.

The House approved a compromise plan Thursday that supporters hope will end a year-long controversy about government funding of art projects that might be considered obscene. The bill re-authorizes funds for the National Endowment for the Arts, with the directive that the N- E-A may NOT fund obscene art. The bill leaves it up to the courts to decide if specific art projects are obscene.

Iraq's ambassador to the United States dismissed as ''nonsense'' reports that terrorist Abu Nidal had moved his operations to Baghdad. But he says other Palestinian groups are welcome in Iraq. In a speech Thursday night at Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts, the diplomat also insisted Iraq would NOT sponsor terrorist acts against the United States.

Forecasters issued a hurricane watch late Thursday for the entire North Carolina coast. Hurricane Lili... which brushed south of Bermuda earlier in the day... was centered about 620 miles southeast of Cape Hatteras. The hurricane... with top winds of 75 miles an hour... was moving westward at about 23 miles an hour. .

The tropical depression that once was Tropical Storm Marco is expected to weaken further as it moves northward through Florida and into southern Georgia. Marco spawned a tornado in Florida's Panhandle Thursday afternoon after causing injuries and property damage earlier in the Tampa Bay area.

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#90285u0130 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - The father of a quadriplegic man who died a week ago before the Nevada Supreme Court could rule on his right-to-die petition... has himself died. Robert Bergstedt died Thursday in a Las Vegas hospice. He was 64 and suffering from terminal cancer. The circumstances surrounding the death of Bergstedt's 31-year-old son remain clouded. Officials DON'T know whether the paralyzed man disconnected his ventilator himself, or if it was done by someone else.

Officials at the Houston Zoo say 11 animals... including breeding pairs of two endangered species of monkeys... died early Thursday in a fire that swept through the cages. Killed in the blaze were four Bolivian titis, three golden lion tamarins, two prevost squirrels and two Malayan giant squirrels. The fire apparently began in a gas heater. NO foul play is suspected.

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HOT SPRINGS, Va. (OCT. 12) UPI - The U.S. economy faces a significant chance of recession and very weak growth through the middle of next year, economists for the Business Council said Friday.

A majority of the council's economists agreed that slower growth is looming, although only five of the 19 economists said a recession already likely to have begun.

The probability of recession by year's end has increased to 39 percent from 22 percent at the time of the council's spring report.

Lewis Preston, chairman of J.P. Morgan & Co. and the council's vice chairman, said the economists may even be too optimistic.

Preston said he believes the recession is already here and that it will be more severe than many economists expect.

''I'm afraid it is going to be a little longer and a little deeper,'' he said.

Several members of the Business Council, the upper crust of corporate America, said a recession is either here or just around the corner.

''Our three economists think we're already are in one. When you look at the mood of the consumer, it is clearly one of caution and slower pace,'' said James Robinson, chairman of American Express Co.

Should the economy slip into recession, generally defined as two consecutive quarters of little or no economic growth, the council's economists said the pinch would not be as severe as the recessions of the mid-1970s and early 1980s.

Economic growth is expected to average about 2 percent during the second half of this year and about 2.5 percent next year, the economists said.

The economists said the economy had been slowing prior to the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq. Rising oil prices have only worsened the economic environment.

Still, the majority of the council's advisers expect positive overall growth through the middle of next year.

Weakness is forecast to be concentrated in housing, consumer durable products and capital spending, the report said.

Housing activity is expected to ease by 4.5 percent between the second quarter of this year and next year while auto sales slip to an annual rate of 9.2 million units from 9.5 million units.

The outlook for the industrial sector is likely to mirror the economy. Little or no growth is seen for orders, sales and profits, the report said.

That should come as little surprise to the executives gathered at the posh Homestead resort. Many already are hearing gloom in the voices of their clients.

''As I go around the country talking to customers I don't find anybody talking very positively about the current environment,'' said David Kearns, chairman of Xerox Corp.

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#90285u0167 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - With the tax storm still raging from one end of Pennsylvania Avenue to the other and a budget deadline a week away, Congress and the White House are working against the clock and must ''get their act together'' on a deficit reduction plan, said a ranking House Democrat.

While President Bush was reviving and then effectively killing the idea of raising tax rates for the wealthiest Americans in exchange for reducing the captial gains tax, House Democrats unveiled a plan on Thursday that would hike taxes for the rich and retain most of the ''sin'' and luxury taxes included in a budget plan defeated last week in Congress.

Trying to explain his way out of the tax confusion, Bush went public with his willingness to support a higher maximum tax on high-income Americans in exchange for a sharp cut in the tax on capital gains.

While interpreted by some Republicans as a green light to keep the capital gains issue alive, Bush noted the plan attracted broad opposition in weeks of budget talks with Congress and said compromise was not ''now possible.''

Instead of urging renewed consideration of an income tax-capital gains tradeoff, Bush called for adoption of the basic elements of a $500 billion deficit-reduction plan rejected by Congress last week, which did not address either tax issue.

Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Calif., chairman of the House Budget Committee, said, ''We're now at the end of the rope. And I think this is the point where, frankly, everybody's got to get their act together, both Congress as well the president.''

''Obviously it's not very helpful to have a lot of mixed signals about where the president is, or is not,'' Panetta said. ''It also isn't very helpful, frankly, to have a lot of members of Congress interpreting where the president does or does not stand.''

Panetta also said Congress ''probably will'' fail to meet the Oct. 19 deadline for finishing the budget process and urged Bush not to shut down the federal government for a second time.

In remarks conveyed to reporters by White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater, Bush said he was ''quite concerned'' that even pursuing a tax swap ''may not only fail'' but ''legitimize something farther to the left that we cannot accept.''

Hoping to end 48 hours of chaos, triggered by public perceptions of a flip-flop in his readiness to tamper with income taxes, Bush said he could accept a new 31 percent rate on income above about $185,730, if coupled with a reduction to 15 percent in the tax on capital gains.

Rep. William Archer, R-Texas, told reporters that scenario would constitute ''a leveling out'' of an anomoly in the tax system that taxes income near or above the $200,000 mark at 28 percent and income at some lower levels at 33 percent.

''He said without equivocation this is what he wanted to do,'' said Archer, who is the ranking Republican on the House Ways and Means Committee.

''Now, we have a fixed target,'' added Rep. Bill Frenzel, R-Minn. ''We're through negotiating.''

What Frenzel and others may have perceived as a mandate to move forward lacked anything close to a full-fledged White House endorsement.

''There is certain flexibility,'' Bush acknowledged to reporters, ''but I'm not going to vary from the terms I've just spelled out. (If) they get that done, fine. I think it's a waste of time because I just don't think it can get through both houses of Congress.''

While lawmakers and lobbyists struggle to reach a budget deal, there are grumblings Bush has lost political ground by appearing indecisive and seeming to retreat on the tax question. The extraordinarily high popularity ratings Bush sported after the Persian Gulf crisis began have tumbled and there is even hushed talk that Bush has been ''Carterized'' by the intractable budget

issue.

The president, however, is willing to take his lumps. ''These things come and go,'' he said philosophically. ''We got a deal, forget the name-calling. We're trying to get something done. Nobody thinks you can be popular by standing up and having to compromise (on things) you wouldn't necessarily want.

''I'll do my best and take the slings and arrows. ... I haven't felt too much pressure.''

Meanwhile, the Democratic proposal would dramatically increase the tax on the wealthiest Americans far more than Bush is willing to accept. The alternative included a 33 percent marginal tax rate for the richest Americans - about 1.5 million to 2 million people.

It also would impose a 10 percent surtax on taxpayers with earned taxable income over $1 million, retain most of the summit agreement's ''sin'' and luxury taxes, and cut the proposed gasoline tax hike from 12 cents to 3 cents.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - A planeload of Americans evacuated from Iraqi-occupied Kuwait along with other Westerners on Thursday... will fly to Raleigh, North Carolina on Friday. They spent Thursday recovering from what was described by the U-S State Department as a long ordeal without food and water. American officials say many of the evacuees told of being interrogated and threatened by Iraqi soldiers.

The chairman of the House Budget Committee says the time has come for both Congress and the president ''to get their act together'' and come up with a deficit-cutting agreement. But California Democrat Leon Panetta thinks Congress ''probably will'' fail to meet next Friday's deadline for finishing the budget process. He urged President Bush NOT to shut down the federal government for a second time.

A spokesman for the United Nations says the Security Council's 15 member states will continue negotiations Friday in hopes of reaching a compromise on a resolution condemning Monday's killing of Palestinians in Jerusalem. The only common position among Security Council members, including the United States, has been to condemn the killings by Israeli police officers. The disagreement centers on how to carry out an inquiry into the matter.

A nuclear weapons test scheduled Thursday at the Nevada Test Site was delayed until Friday morning because winds were blowing toward Las Vegas, 105 miles away. An Energy Department spokesman says as a precaution, nuclear tests are NOT conducted when winds might carry an accidental radiation leak toward a populated area. The test will be the seventh announced nuclear weapons test

this year by the United States.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Detroit - Agreed with pitcher Walt Terrell on a 1-year contract.

Kansas City - Named Pat Dobson pitching coach; agreed to terms with coaches Adrian Garrett, Bob Schaefer and Glenn Ezell on 1- year contracts for next season.

LA Dodgers - Named Jay Lucas publicity director.

San Diego - Exercised option for outfielder Tony Gwynn; bought out option for pitcher Eric Show; announced trainer Dick Dent would not be rehired.

St. Louis - Named Mark DeJohn manager at Louisville of the American Association (AAA).

BASKETBALL

Cedar Rapids (CBA) - Signed forwards Ken Green and Carl Mitchell.

Detroit - Released forwards Paris McCurdy and Nathan Buntin, guard James Carter and center Earl Jones.

Houston - Signed guard Dave Jamerson to a 4-year contract; waived rights to forward Walter Berry and swingmen Anthony Bowie and Mitchell Wiggins.

Indiana - Waived free agent guard Darryl Johnson.

Milwaukee - Agreed to a 3-tear contract extension with guard Jay Humphries.

San Antonio - Agreed to contract terms with center Dwayne Schintzius.

San Jose (CBA) - Signed forward Wayne Engelstad.

Sioux Falls (CBA) - Acquired rights to forward Melvin McCants from Quad City for rights to center Doug Roth.

Utah - Released forward Nate Johnston and center Brett Vroman, both free agents.

COLLEGE

Gannon - Named Len Lombardo assistant basketball coach.

FOOTBALL

Detroit - Placed kicker Eddie Murray on injured reserve; signed kicker Rich Karlis.

World League of American Football - Appointed Larry Wansley coordinator of security and counseling services, Les Miller scouting coordinator and Mike Wade assistant director of information.

HOCKEY

Minnesota - Signed left winger Brian Bellows and defenseman Frantisek Musil to multi-year contracts.

Washington - Sent goaltender Don Beaupre to Baltimore of the American Hockey League; called up goaltender Jim Hrivnak from Baltimore.

SOCCER

Cleveland (MSL) - Signed forward Chris Szanto and defender Marco Rizi.

St. Louis (MSL) - Signed goalkeeper Slobo Ilijevsaki, forward Dan Donigan and midfielder Bobo Lucic.

TENNIS

USTA - Named Andre Agassi, Michael Chang, Rick Leach and Jim Pugh to the Davis Cup Team for the final against Australia.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
New Jersey	2	2	1	5	19	20
Philadelphia	2	2	0	4	18	11
Pittsburgh	2	2	0	4	18	16
NY Rangers	2	2	0	4	17	14
Washington	1	2	0	2	12	15
NY Islanders	1	2	0	2	7	10

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	4	0	1	9	23	9
Montreal	2	0	1	5	14	11
Hartford	2	1	1	5	15	17
Quebec	1	2	1	3	14	20
Buffalo	0	2	1	1	11	13

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	3	1	0	6	15	10
St. Louis	2	1	0	4	9	10
Detroit	1	2	1	3	15	21
Minnesota	1	3	1	3	10	17
Toronto	0	4	0	0	9	22

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	3	1	0	6	16	12
Edmonton	2	0	1	5	9	7
Los Angeles	2	1	1	5	18	14
Winnipeg	1	3	0	2	12	10
Vancouver	1	2	0	2	10	12

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(OCT. 12) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

NL PLAYOFFS

Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 8:07 p.m.

BOXING

London - Dennis Andries vs. Sergio Merani,
12, WBC lightheavyweight title.

GOLF

Las Vegas, Nev. - $1.3 million Las Vegas Invitational
Abilene, Texas - Gatlin Brothers Southwest Senior Golf Classic
Paris - World Championship of Women's Golf

HOCKEY

Montreal at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.
Quebec at Buffalo, 7:35 p.m.

Hartford at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Winnipeg at Washington, 8:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Vancouver, 10:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Berlin - $300,000 Men's Berlin tournament
Tokyo - $1 million Seiko Super tournament
Zurich, Switzerland - $350,000 European Ladies Indoors

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(OCT. 12) UPI - The Philadelphia Flyers can't seem to shake the injury bug that has dogged them in recent seasons.

Philadelphia lost goaltender Ron Hextall with a strained left groin in the second period of a 7-4 victory Thursday night over the New Jersey Devils. Hextall, who played in only eight games last season because of a series of groin injuries, had to be helped off the ice after stopping a shot by Walt Poddubny.

The Flyers said Hextall should be sidelined for 10 to 14 days, but he reinjured himself several times last season when he tried to return to action before the injury was fully healed.

''It's not that bad,'' Hextall said. ''It's not as bad as the others I have had.''

The Flyers lost Tim Kerr and defenseman Mark Howe for long stretches because of injury last season and saw rookie Mike Ricci, their top pick in this year's draft, break a finger in the opening game this season that will sideline him for three to four weeks.

Gord Murphy and Ron Sutter scored 32 seconds apart in the third period and Jiri Latal tallied a pair of goals to lead the Flyers' offense. New Jersey closed within 4-3 on a goal by Kirk Muller before Murphy fired a 55-foot slap shot past goaltender Sean Burke and Sutter beat Burke through his pads for a 6-3 Philadelphia lead.

Tim Kerr, Rich Tocchet and Norm Lacombe also scored by Philadelphia. New Jersey got goals from Poddubny, Patrik Sundstrom and Peter Stastny.

The Flyers, who managed only a single goal in each of their first two games, struck for seven goals for the second time in a row.

''For us to score seven goals in two consecutive games is mind- boggling,'' said Flyers Coach Paul Holmgren, who expects his team to win with its defense

this season.

Sutter said the secret was simple - hard work.

''We're playing tough and we're banging in there,'' Sutter said. ''Our coaching staff has been working hard to get us to go at the other team's net and we had all better realize that that's how we will score goals.''

In other NHL action Thursday night, Chicago defeated Pittsburgh 4-1, Minnesota and Boston played to a 3-3 tie and Edmonton and Los Angeles tied 5-5.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Blackhawks 4, Penguins 1

At Chicago, Jeremy Roenick struck for three goals to lead the Blackhawks and goaltender Ed Belfour improved his record to 3-0 this season. Mike Hudson also scored for Chicago, while Pittsburgh got its only goal from Kevin Stevens.

North Stars 3, Bruins 3

At Bloomington, Minn., Mike Modano's power-play goal midway through the third period gave the North Stars the tie. Boston blew a 3-0 lead but remained one of three unbeaten teams with a 4-0-1 record.

Kings 5, Oilers 5

At Los Angeles, Wayne Gretzky scored with 49 seconds left in regulation and assisted on the four other Los Angeles goals. Gretzky, whose five points leaves him 12 away from the 2,000 mark in his career, took a 35-foot crossing pass from Steve Kasper and wristed a 10-footer into the right side of the net.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International: .

A group of Americans held in Iraq return to the United States today, scheduled to arrive at Raleigh, North Carolina. They were among 386 Western hostages on a U-S chartered jet that landed in London yesterday. It's the 10th airlift of Western hostages trapped by the August 2nd Iraq invasion of Kuwait. .

The Pentagon says the Air Force grounded training flights in Saudi Arabia for 24 hours after three recent Air Force plane crashes that killed six airmen. A spokesman says from noon Saudi time Wednesday until noon Saudi time yesterday, the Air Force declared a flying standdown for one day to conduct safety awareness meetings with Air Force pilots.

Moslem religious leaders rejected Israeli Prime Minister Shamir's appointment of a three-member team to investigate the slayings Monday of 21 Palestinians in Jerusalem. The Islamic Supreme Council says if Israel is serious about a probe, only judges or lawyers should be involved. The Shamir appointees include a reserve general.

The House has approved a compromise plan in an effort to end controversy over federal funding of art that may be considered obscene. By a 349 authorizing funds for the National Endowment for the Arts. It includes a directive that the N-E-A can NOT fund obscene art.

Astronomers near Buenos Aires are set to activate a powerful new radio receiver to scan the skies over the Southern Hemisphere for signs of intelligent life from outer space. The Argentine Institute of Radioastronomy plans to start up the device today. Astronomer Carl Sagan calls the experiment ''a significant step forward.''

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(OCT. 12) UPI - Tropical Storm Marco lost steam and became tropical depression Marco yesterday with maximum sustained winds of near 35 miles an hour. At last report, Marco was located near Cross City, Florida. The National Weather Service reports the heaviest rains associated with Marco hit southern Georgia where additional rain totaling one to three inches may occur.

A black Hispanic prosecutor calls ''UNbelieveable'' a defense lawyer's claim that he illegally struck a black man from the jury in the 2 Live Crew obscenity trial. The prosecutor says the black man was struck from the jury after the man said he was a fan of the rap group. Jury selection resumes today in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

An Oregon skinhead testified today that he received kicking instructions from California white supremacists hours before he participated in beating a black man to death. Kenneth Mieske says the slaying was self-defense. He testified in Portland in a 10-Million- dollar civil suit against the founder of the white supremacist group the suit says incited the 1988 slaying.

A ranking House Democrat says the White House and Congress are working against the clock to agree on a budget deficit reduction plan. House Democrats yesterday UNveiled a plan to raise taxes for the wealthy and keep most of the luxury taxes in a budget plan defeated last week in Congress.

Financial analysts say poor sales last month at U-S retailers provide further evidence of the economy's recessionary trend. Analysts say lower spending shows consumer anxiety about job security, inflation and higher gasoline and heating oil prices due to the Middle East crisis. Analysts expect the trend to

continue through Christmas.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Pittsburgh	0	1	0-1
Chicago	2	0	2-4

First Period-1, Chicago, Roenick 1 (Larmer, Goulet), pp, 3:59; 2, Chicago, Roenick 2 (Goulet, Yawney), 5:54.

Penalties-Bourqe, Pit, (unsportsmanlike conduct), 1:17; McGill, Chi, (unsportsmanlike conduct), 1:17; Stevens, Pit, 3:20; Dahlquist, Pit, 11:45; Konroyd, Chi, 15.10; Peluso, Chi, 19:47.

Second Period-3, Pittsburgh, Stevens 3 (R. Brown, Dahlquist), 10:07.

Penalties-Lemieux, Chi, 12:29; Errey, Pit, 15:30.

Third Period-4, Chicago, Roenick 3 (Larmer, Goulet), 14:03; 5, Chicago, Hudson 1 (Presley), 16:18.

Penalties-none.

Shots on goal-Pittsburgh 5-6-13-24. Chicago 12-6-13-31.

Power-play conversions-Pittsburgh, 3-0, Chicago, 3-1.

Goaltenders-Pittsburgh, Barrasso. Chicago, Belfour. A-17,330.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

Edmonton	0	4	1	0-5
Los Angeles	1	1	3	0-5

First Period-1, Los Angeles, Blake 2 (Gretzky, Sandstrom), pp, 9:03. Penalties-Smith, LA, 6:18; Murphy, Edm, 8:30; Duchesne, LA, major (high sticking)-game misconduct, 10:38; Linesman, Edm, 13:28; Elik, LA, 15:23; S.Smith, Edm, 19:16; Elik, LA, 19:16.

Second Period-2, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 1 (Robinson, Gretzky), pp, 2:29. 3, Edmonton, Semenov 1 (Klima, Messier), pp, 8:07. 4, Edmonton, MacTavish 1 (G.Smith, Lamb), 12:31. 5, Edmonton, Semenov 2 (Tikkanen, Linesman), 15:25. 6, Edmonton, Linesman 1 (Semenov), sh, 17:44.

Penalties-Linesman, Edm, 0:56; MacTavish, Edm, 2:29; Granato, LA, 2:29; Taylor

LA, misconduct, 2:46; Klima, Edm, 5:41; LA bench (served by Miller) 7:05; S.Smith, Edm, 16:22; Jones, LA, 18:04; Huddy, Edm, 19:21.

Third Period-7, Los Angeles, Granato 2 (Gretzky, Sandstrom), pp, 7:10. 8, Edmonton, MacTavish 2 (Huddy), sh, 11:03. 9, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 2 (Gretzky Blake) 18:29. 10, Los Angeles, Gretzky 3 (Kasper, Robitaille) 19:11.

Penalties-Klima, Edm, major (butt-ending)-game misconduct, 6:10; Graves, Edm, 12:52; Krushelnyski, LA, 12:52.

Overtime-No scoring. Penalties-Beukeboom, Edm, 3:08; Tonelli, LA, 3:08.

Shots on goal-Edmonton 10-9-10-1-30. Los Angeles 4-5-11-2-22.

Power-play conversions-Edmonton 6-1, Los Angeles 7-3.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Ranford. Los Angeles, Hrudey. A-13,831.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

New Jersey	1	2	1-4
Philadelphia	3	1	3-7

First period-1, Philadelphia, Tocchet 3 (Sutter, Horacek), 0:32. 2, New Jersey Poddubny 3 (Maley), 3:50. 3, Philadelphia, Latal 2 (Murphy, Craven), 7:50. 4, Philadelphia, Latal 3 (Craven, Eklund), pp, 12:04.

Penalties-Crowder, NJ, minor-major (fighting), 2:32; Chychrun, Phi, 2:32; minor-major (fighting), 2:32; Stewart, NJ, 16:13; Sutter, Phi, 16:13; Stastny, NJ, 10:20; Boschman, NJ, 11:17; Stewart, NJ, 14:51; Berube, Phi, minor-major (fighting), served by Kerr, 14:51; Lemieux, NJ, 16:29; Maclean, NJ, 19:22.

Second period-5, New Jersey, Sundstrom (Driver, Daneyko), pp, 11:48. 6, Philadelphia, Lacombe 2 (Hostak, Howe), 15:32.

Penalties-Horacek, Phi, 1:32; Craven, Phi, 4:46; Marcinyshyn, NJ, 10-minute misconduct, 4:46; Berube, Phi, 10-minute misconduct, 4:46; MacLean, NJ, 6:32; Samuelsson, Phi, 11:15; Horacek, Phi, 16:54.

Third period-7, New Jersey, Muller 2 (Driver, Stastny), pp, 2:38. 8, Philadelphia, Murphy 1 (Carkner, Horacek), 6:49. 9, Philadelphia, Sutter 1 (Horacek, Tocchet), 7:21. 10, Philadelphia, Kerr 2 (Murphy, Eklund), pp, 9:58. 11, New Jersey, Stastny 1 (Shanahan), pp, 18:45.

Penalties-Smith, Phi, 2:28; Maley, NJ, 3:53; Maley, NJ, 8:15; Boschman, NJ, 9:15; Crowder, NJ, major (fighting), 14:13; Horacek, Phi, minor-major (fighting), 14:13; Samuelsson, Phi, 14:52; Carkner, Phi, 18:01; Murphy, Phi, 18:01; Poddubny, NJ, 19:39.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 7-13-8-28. Philadelphia 16-7-8-31.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 10-3. Philadelphia 8-2.

Goaltenders-New Jersey, Burke. Philadelphia, Hextall, Wregget (16:54, 2nd). A-17,382.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

Boston	2	1	0	0-3
Minnesota	0	2	1	0-3

First period-1, Boston, Wesley 2 (Brickley, Carter), 8:03. 2, Boston, Byers 1 (Carpenter, Walz), 17:23.

Penalties-Wesley, Bos, 1:08; McRae, Min, major (fighting), 6:03; Quintal, Bos, major (fighting), 6:03; Poulin, Bos, 13:00; Propp, Min, 15:02.

Second period-3, Boston, Douris 3 (Poulin, Sweeney), :54. 4, Minnesota, Dahlen 1 (Bellows, Modano), 4:13. 5, Minnesota, Propp 3 (Modano, Bellows), pp, 8:58.

Penalties-Craig, Min, double minor, 7:07; Sweeney, Bos, double minor 7:07; Bourque, Bos, 8:09.

Third period-6, Minnesota, Modano 1 (Wilkinson), pp, 10:18.

Penalties-Wesley, Bos, 1:57; Kolstad, Min, 5:48; Byers, Bos, 9:27.

Overtime-No scoring.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Boston 14-8-12-1-35. Minnesota 6-14-15-4-39.

Power-play conversions-Boston 2-0. Minnesota 5-2.

Goaltenders-Boston, Moog. Minnesota, Casey. A-5,280.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

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(OCT. 12) UPI -

CAIRO, Egypt - Four men with machine guns shot and killed Egypt's speaker of parliament, as well as his bodyguard and a driver Friday, the Middle East News

Agency said. The news agency quoted witnesses as saying the attackers were following Rifaat el Maghoub's car to a hotel in a heavily-policed part of downtown Cairo when they opened fire, killing the parliament speaker as well as his driver and a guard.

Interior Minister Abdul Halim Moussa and senior security officials rushed to the scene, the Egyptian news agency said, adding authorities had launched a manhunt for the assassins.

LONDON - A 10th planeload of Western hostages landed in London carrying 386 foreigners, most of them American women and children, and U.S. officials said the flight could be the last for some time to leave Iraq and occupied Kuwait.The chartered Iraqi aircraft arrived in London Thursday morning and most of the 142 Americans on board were expected to arrive in Raleigh, N.C., Friday afternoon. It was the 10th airlift of Western hostages trapped by the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the first since Sept. 22.

TUNIS, Tunisia - The PLO Central Council accused Washington of ''turning its back on international legality'' as far as Jerusalem is concerned and called on Moslems to work ''for the immediate departure'' of U.S. forces from the Persian Gulf. In a statement at the end of the two-day meeting in Tunis, the Central Council of the Palestine Liberation Organization also urged all Arab countries, the world community and the U.N. Security Council ''to act rapidly and with force so as to put an end'' to what it described as terrorist activities by the Israeli forces in the occupied territories.

LONDON - Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath said he would depart Friday on an unofficial mission to meet with Saddam in Baghdad and try and negotiate the release of sick and older Britons held in Iraq and Kuwait.

WASHINGTON - The Air Force, imposing a safety standdown, grounded its training flights in Saudi Arabia for 24 hours in response to three recent Air Force plane crashes that killed six airmen, the Pentagon said. From noon Saudi time Wednesday until noon Saudi time Thursday, ''The Air Force declared a flying standdown for one day to conduct safety awareness meetings with Air Force pilots,'' Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said Thursday. ''They're concerned about the number of accidents that happened so quickly over a short period of time in the last few days,'' Williams said.

LONDON - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said a decision must be made in a matter of weeks'' on whether military force should be used against Saddam Hussein. Hurd told British Broadcasting Corp. television Thursday that the United States and Britain should decide whether diplomatic isolation and economic sanctions were sufficient to get Iraq out of Kuwait.

WASHINGTON - Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., moved to block part of the administration's proposed $7.3 billion arms sale to Saudi Arabia, but said he did not know if his resolution would make it to the floor. Cranston's action

late Thursday were a surprise because leading critics of the sale, as well as other congressional sources and administration officials, have said they did not believe Congress would try to block the deal.

WASHINGTON - President Bush told a group of military veterans that ''it's very clear that the strength of the our arms and the strength of our will is up to the challenge in the gulf.'' ''The (Iraqi) regime is up against not only the law of nations, but also the law of mathematics, '' Bush said.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 12) UPI - The reactionary Pamyat Society's leader was ordered Friday to serve two years at hard labor for directing an attack on Jewish writers in a landmark case the government said showed it will not tolerate anti-Semitism.

''For the first time, anti-Semitism has been officially condemned by the state '' said Andrei Makharov, a human rights attorney who served as one of three ''public prosecutors'' in the case. ''The next anti-Semite and fascist will stop to think that he might find himself behind bars if he propagates his views.''

The defendant, Konstantin Smirnov-Ostashvili, surrounded by four soldiers standing at attention, repeatedly disrupted the proceedings by raising clenched fists and shouting Russian nationalist slogans during the 50-minute reading of the findings and sentence against him. About 100 of his supporters crowded into the courtroom to hear the sentence read.

''This couldn't happen, even in South Africa!'' he yelled at one point.

Pandemonium nearly erupted several times as dozens of his supporters in the hot, packed courtroom applauded, held up signs, shouted back their own chants and hurled bouquets of red carnations at him.

''Court - Are you serving the law or Zionism?'' read one sign.

Smirnov-Ostashvili, whose trial began July 26, was convicted of inciting racism and anti-Semitism when he led a group that broke into a meeting of liberal writers, many of them Jewish, in January.

In the incident at Moscow's Central House of Writers, the bald, stocky 54-year-old Smirnov-Ostashvili grabbed a microphone and delivered an anti-Semite diatribe that sparked a chair-throwing brawl.

Smirnov-Ostashvili jeered Friday as the court read parts of his tirate in its findings.

The official Tass news agency said the case demonstrated ''the law's efficiency in reacting to manifestations of nationalism, chauvinism and anti-Semitism, very sensitive in Soviet society at present.''

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(OCT. 12) UPI - Lebanese sources report that thousands of Syrian troops backed by tanks moved into an area controlled by General Michel Aoun. They say the huge Syrian force left Moslem west Beirut moving to the demarcation lines of Aoun's 100-square-mile turf. A pro-Syrian paper quotes a ministerial source who said the move was a warning to force Aoun to leave the presidential palace. Another newspaper quotes Aoun as saying he will NOT give up easily.

It is homecoming day for a group of Americans airlifted from Iraq this week on a U-S chartered jet. Most of the 142 Americans on the flight are expected to arrive in Raleigh, North Carolina, this afternoon. Voice of America quotes U-S officials as saying the airlift may be the last for some time from Iraq and occupied Kuwait. Thousands of Western men are being held in Iraq and Kuwait as human shields against attack at key Iraqi bases.

A New York judge set a January date for retrial of a defendant in the Bensonhurst racial slaying case after declaring a mistrial yesterday. Charles Stessler was charged in the 1989 slaying of a black teen-ager by a white mob. A judge declared a mistrial due to an outburst by a juror who accused the victim's father of staring at her. The jury was deliberating in the case against Stressler who is charged with murder, riot, manslaughter and menacing.

Heavy rain hit North Carolina's coast as Hurricane Lili sped toward shore., Lili was about 485 miles southeast of Cape Hatteras, North Carolina, packing winds of 75-miles-an-hour and moving west at 23 miles an hour. A hurricane watch was posted today for the North Carolina coast from east of little river inlet, South Carolina, to south of Virginia Beach, Virginia. Forecasters expect little change in the hurricane's strength today.

Potential jurors return to Fort Lauderdale, Florida, court as jury selection resumes in the obscenity trial of the Miami rap group 2-Live Crew. A judge set a hearing today to examine defense charges that prosecutors illegally eliminated a black man from the jury. Defense lawyers cited a law prohibiting the striking of potential jurors solely on the basis of race.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - Surging oil prices and Thursday's drop on Wall Street combined to push stock prices lower Friday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange for the third consecutive session. Trading remained light.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which plunged 909.48 points Thursday, slipped another 195.47 points to close out the week at 22,390.16.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, which fell 57.01 points Thursday, fell another 7.99 points to 1,663.69 points.

Declines outpaced advances 669 to 285, while 116 issues remained unchanged.

An estimated 320 million shares changed hands, up from 292 million shares Thursday.

Elsewhere in Asia, cash heavy investors on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange stretched their winning streak to two sessions Friday amid some bargain hunting.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which added 12.00 points Thursday, climbed 30.85 points to 2,915.26.

Among the narrower indexes, financials gained 0.05 point, industrials climbed 36.09, utilities rose 42.87 and properties surged 57.69 points.

Volume amounted to 657 million shares, above the 483 million shares changing hands Thursday.

In Singapore, bargain hunters in search of quality stocks pushed stocks higher in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 10.64 points Thursday, rose 14.87 points to 1,094.37. The broader-based All Singapore Index rose 3.63 points to 305.08.

An estimated 35.7 million shares changed hands, compared with 23.8 million shares Thursday.

In Bangkok, stock prices slipped 0.3 percent on the Thailand Stock Exchange for the third consecutive day, reacting to the situation in the Gulf and domestic political uncertainties.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which lost 11.12 points Thursday, eased another 2.06 points to 642.37.

An estimated 1.2 billion shares changed hands, compared with 1.3 billion shares Thursday.

In Seoul, stocks on the Korean Exchange rose sharply on heavy buying from individual investors.

In Australia, stocks closed sharply lower on the Sydney Exchange.

In Wellington, New Zealand stocks declined by 3.2 percent as analysts said this was due to uncertainty over the Oct. 27 general elections.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - A two-year-old girl is back with her mother today after the girl was abducted from a New York clothing store while with her godmother. Police arrested Rachel Florestal at a hotel near J-F-K International Airport, where the girl was found asleep on a discarded couch. The girl was reported missing yesterday afternoon after she wandered away from her godmother inside a Queens clothing store.

Scientists are preparing to activate a special radio receiver in Buenos Aires this morning to search the cosmos above the Southern Hemisphere for evidence of intelligent life. Astronomer Carl Sagan says the new receiver will allow scientists to scan the heavens for radio signals from extraterrestrial beings. The Argentine Institute of Radioastronomy plans to start up the device at 8 eastern time, this morning.

A former university scientist who for years studied the effects of cocaine on the human body pleaded guilty yesterday to federal charges of possessing the drug. Police last June raided the California home of Edward Avakian, a former researcher at the University of the Pacific in Stockton. Drug Enforcement Administration agents say Avakian first came under scrutiny in 1988 when he appeared to buy more cocaine than needed for rabbits and rats in his study.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - U.S. wholesale prices shot up 1.6 percent in September on record high gasoline prices but food costs tumbled across the board, the Labor Department said Friday.

The huge increase - generally in line with economists' estimates - follows a jump of 1.3 percent in August in the aftermath of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait's oilfields and a dip of 0.1 percent in July.

A 20.6 percent jump in wholesale gasoline prices in September was the largest on record, a government spokesman said. Home heating oil also contributed to higher wholesale prices, advancing 21.6 percent during the month.

Natural gas costs were up slightly.

The department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said that September's total energy prices surged 13.8 percent, but food prices were off 0.9 percent. Not counting food and energy, the government's Producer Price Index was up 0.6 percent.

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The overall increase in September wholesale prices was the largest since a 1.9 percent jump in January in the wake of a nationwide winter cold snap that wiped out crops and sent home fuel oil costs rocketing.

If U.S. wholesale prices were to continue increasing at their current pace, inflation at the producer level would be running at 20.9 percent, a government spokesman said.

For the first nine months of the year, wholesale prices have climbed by 6.3 percent, and the increase over the last two months is the biggest since 1980, the spokesman said.

The Labor Department also reported that September wholesale prices for crude goods advanced 4.6 percent and prices for intermediate goods - the stage between crude and finished - were up 1.8 percent.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - U.S. wholesale prices shot up 1.6 percent in September on record high gasoline prices but food costs tumbled across the board, the Labor Department said Friday.

The huge increase in the Producer Price Index - generally in line with economists' estimates - follows a jump of 1.3 percent in August in the aftermath of the Iraq's invasion of Kuwait's oilfields and a dip of 0.1 percent in July.

A 20.6 percent jump in wholesale gasoline prices in September was the largest on record, a government spokesman said. Home heating oil also contributed to higher wholesale prices, advancing 21.6 percent during the month.

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OMAHA, NE (OCT. 12) UPI - Former Sen. John Tower, R-Texas, whose nomination for defense secretary was rejected by the Senate in part because of allegations he had a drinking problem, inserted similar allegations into the Senate race in Nebraska.

Tower appeared on Omaha radio station KKAR Thursday while campaigning for former Rep. Hal Daub, R-Neb., who is challenging Democratic Sen. J. James Exon.

When asked about senators who had voted against his nomination to be defense secretary in 1989, Tower said it was never established ''that I had done anything disqualifying.''

Tower then said there was ''a massive amount of hypocrisy'' in Exon's vote against him, Exon was the first member of the Armed Services Committee to come out against Tower's confirmation.

Pressed to explain his remark, Tower said, ''Senator Exon bore down on me heavily on the drinking thing, when he's got the reputation of being one of

the two or three biggest boozers in the Senate. So, you know, why should he take up the cudgel on that?''

When it was suggested by program host Steve Brown that he had made a serious charge, Tower responded, ''We're talking about reputation. We're talking about rumor. Specific comments that have been related to me by others. So I would have to say that I don't have firsthand knowledge. I would establish that because that is the fair way to do it.''

Exon told Nebraska reporters he blamed Daub for the ''truly ugly and negative turn'' in the campaign. He described Tower as a ''convenient mouthpiece for the irresponsible Republican opponent I am facing.''

Daub, in a telephone interview with The Washington Post late Thursday, said he was ''most surprised'' by Tower's remarks. But he added, ''If anybody owes an apology maybe it is Jim Exon to John Tower for the way he handled these same isses - alleged alcoholism and fitness to serve in public office - when John Tower's nomination was on the Senate floor.''

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JERUSALEM (OCT. 12) UPI - Thousands of Moslems attended Friday prayers at the Temple Mount in Jerusalem's Old City amid tight security and a large deployment of Israeli security forces to forestall violence.

The prayers at one of Islam's holiest sites, known in Arabic as the Haram esh Sharif, passed with little trouble four days after police opened fire at demonstrating Palestinians on the Temple Mount Monday and killed 21 Moslems.

After Friday prayers, small groups of worshippers shouted slogans of ''God is Great'' and ''In spirit and blood we will free Palestine'' before leaving the Temple Mount. The police did not intervene.

Outside the walls of Jerusalem's Old City, police dispersed more than 100 Palestinian youths with water cannons near the Lion's Gate after the Arabs were not allowed into the Temple Mount complex, the site of the Dome of the Rock and Al Aqsa Mosque. Shortly after, the youths stoned Israeli cars in Arab East Jerusalem, Army Radio reported.

Israeli authorities prohibited residents of the Israeli-occupied territories from entering Jerusalem and forced Moslems who wished to pray at the Temple Mount to pass through strict security checks. An estimated 3,000 Moslems, mostly older men and women, attended the Friday prayers.

Yossi Tuvias, Jerusalem Border Police commander, said authorities decided to limit access to the Temple Mount because they had received information indicating at least 15,000 worshippers were expected to attend Friday prayers

and ''large riots were planned for after the prayers.''

In limiting access, ''we prevented these disturbances,'' he said.

Paramilitary Border Police stood several yards apart outside the Old City gates where Moslems entered, keeping watch over the smaller than usual crowds. Patrols also stood atop roofs and roamed the Old City in an effort to prevent violence.

''There were a few localized events at the outer gates of the Old City, but over and above these localized events, all of Jerusalem and the Old City is quiet at the moment,'' Tuvias said after Friday prayers ended.

''We are at the moment directing our forces toward the Arab villages in the area and we are prepared for any incident that might occur,'' he said.

Security force patrols also were more prominent than usual Friday in downtown West Jerusalem.

While the Unified Leadership of the Uprising called for three days of general strike by Palestinians in mourning for the Moslems slain Monday, Arab shops not in areas under curfew remained closed for a fourth day Friday and were not expected to reopen until next Monday. The military maintained curfews on the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip and much of the West Bank Friday.

Because of tension in Arab villages and towns within Israel in the wake of Monday's slayings, police canceled seven soccer matches between Jewish and Arab teams scheduled to take place in Arab villages Saturday, Army Radio reported.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 11: Purchases of 321,185 shares and sales of 660,720 shares including 64,312 shares sold short.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - Retail sales increased 1.1 percent in September, driven by gasoline and automobile sales, the Commerce Department said Friday.

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But sales gained 1.6 percent at supermarkets, increased 1 percent at restaurants and bars and edged up 0.4 percent at drug stores. Sales at hardware stores, meanwhile, were off 0.5 percent while sales at furniture stores headed up by 0.7 percent.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - The Middle East News Agency says UNknown gunmen shot and killed the speaker of the Egyptian parliament.... The news agency quotes witnesses saying four gunmen used machine guns to kill the speaker and his bodyguard and driver in downtown Cairo.

The Saudi foreign minister condemns Israel for the killing of 22 Palestinians in Jerusalem this week. The minister met German Chancellor Helmut Kohl in Bonn yesterday and said Iraq's occupation of Kuwait is shocking ''because it creates a division in the Arab world.''

Security sources report thousands of Syrian troops backed by tanks have taken position at the edge of the area controlled by Christian General Michel Aoun. Today's move comes after the Lebanese government asked for help ending the general's opposition.

North Carolina is already soaked from rains... but may see a lot more water from Hurricane Lili. A hurricane watch is posted for parts of the coast of North and South Carolina and Virginia, although the storm was still almost 500 miles away.

Democratic Representative Leon Panetta of California... chairman of the House Budget Committee... predicts there will be NO new budget by next Friday's deadline. He says it is NOT helpful for President Bush to send what Panetta calls ''mixed signals'' about taxes.

The House ended a year of debate over the National Endowment for the Arts yesterday by voting to fund the program... as long as it does NOT fund obscene art. The bill leaves it up to the courts to decide what is obscene.

Rising gas prices are putting the squeeze on school budgets across the United States. A bus trade association says for a school district the size of Los Angeles... each increase of one cent a gallon translates into an extra cost of 100-thousand dollars.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - Germany withdrew all personnel from its embassy in Kuwait, where food, water and electricity were in short supply, but stressed it is maintaining diplomatic relations with the Iraqi-occupied country.

Meanwhile, a jetliner carrying former American hostages flew from London and was scheduled to arrive Friday afternoon in Raleigh, N.C.

In another development, four machine gun-wielding motorcyclists killed Egypt's speaker of Parliament in Cairo. The assassins also shot to death three bodyguards of Speaker Rifaat El Mahgoub and the driver of an accompanying car, the Middle East News Agency and witnesses said.

Egyptian interior ministry sources said it was unclear if the slaying of el Mahgoub carried out by pro-Iraqi extremists or Egyptian Islamic fundamentalists.

Egyptian Interior Minister Lt. Gen. Abdul Halim Moussa revealed this week that arrested pro-Iraqi terrorists had received arms and explosives from Egyptian fundamentalists in upper Egypt opposed to the presence of U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf region.

The shooting came a day after a national referendum to decide whether Parliament should be dissolved, and days after Moussa said at least 30 Iraqi and Palestinian alleged terrorists were rounded up on suspicion of belonging to a group headed by notorious Palestinian terrorist Abu Nidal.

Moussa said his security forces had discovered that pro-Iraqi terrorists were planning to assassinate senior Egyptian political figures, amid reports of possible terrorist retaliation against countries participating in the multinational military force opposing Iraq.

In Bonn, Germany, the foreign ministry said over the past days, food and water were getting scare in their Kuwait embassy and so the German government decided to move the staff to Baghdad. Six weeks ago Iraqi authorities cut electricity to the embassy, but the staff had worked with an emergency

electricity supply.

A German foreign ministry spokesman said ambassador Claus Saenksen, his wife and the remaining skeleton staff left for Baghdad Thursday night. German officials said they did not close the embassy, which like others in Kuwait has withstood pressure since Iraq's Aug. 2 conquest of Kuwait.

Voice of America quoted U.S. officials as saying the flight of the former hostages to America could be the last of Westerners for some time from Iraq and Kuwait, where thousands of Western men are being used as human shields against military attacks.

Iraq has allowed some Westerners to leave, mostly women, children and men of Arab background.

In London, Iraq instructed former British Prime Minister Edward Heath to postpone for one week his planned visit to Baghdad, where he hoped to persuade President Saddam Hussein to release old and sick British male hostages.

Officials say about 250 British males are being held in Iraq, and between 50 and 60 are believed to more than 55 years old or medically unfit.

Heath had said he would leave Friday on the unofficial, humanitarian mission but Baghdad sent an overnight message instructing him Oct. 21 would be a better date to allow preparation. Heath had planned to leave early Friday.

''It does not burn out any hopes at all,'' he said of the Iraqi directive. ''It is worthwhile making the attempt for these people who are sick and dying.''

But other politicians appeared to fear Saddam may try to exploit the presence of Heath, who served as prime minister from 1970 to 1974.

''The Iraqis would not let him come unless they saw some advantage in it,'' said Defense Secretary Tom King. ''We are all very torn over it. There is a very great danger in it appearing to give respectability, aid and comfort to a regime as totally unacceptable as Saddam Hussein's in international terms.''

British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said Thursday a decision must be made ''in a matter of weeks'' on whether military force should be used against Saddam. Hurd told British Broadcasting Corp. television that the United States and Britain should decide whether diplomatic isolation and U.N. economic sanctions were sufficient to get Iraq out of Kuwait.

The U.S. Air Force, imposing a safety standdown, meanwhile grounded its training flights in Saudi Arabia for 24 hours in response to three recent Air Force plane crashes that killed six airmen.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $390.30 silver base of $4.41 and platinum price of $418.00:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$406.30	401.40
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	208.40	205.90
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	107.00	105.70
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	44.20	43.70
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	406.30	401.40
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	208.40	205.90
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	107.50	106.20
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	44.20	43.70
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	412.90	407.80
China Panda .50 troy oz.	212.70	210.10
China Panda .25 troy oz.	110.30	109.00
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.60	47.10
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.50	28.10
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	406.40	401.50
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	207.40	205.20
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	104.80	103.60
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	44.60
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	404.60	400.00
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	209.40	207.00
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	107.40	106.20
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.70	45.20
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	404.50	399.80
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	208.00	205.60
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.20	87.20
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	46.20	45.70
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.50	23.20
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.79	$5.78
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,260	$3,170
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,400	$1,375
Platinum		
Australian Koala	439.00	461.00
Isle of Man Noble	428.00	450.00

Canada Maple Leaf 439.00 461.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	77	48	....
Anchorage snsh	47	39	.14
Asheville r	69	62	1.85
Atlanta r	68	65	.94
Baltimore cy	78	67	.11
Billings w	53	32	....
Birmingham cy	74	60	....
Bismarck pc	53	25	....
Boston cy	64	60	....
Brownsville sy	80	53	....
Buffalo r	59	47	.40
Burlington Vt. cy	64	59	.42
Charleston S.C. cy	81	72	3.97
Charlotte r	70	67	1.35
Chicago sy	60	32	....
Cincinnati r	58	49	....
Cleveland r	51	43	....
Columbus Ohio r	57	47	.05
Dallas sy	72	47	....
Denver sy	47	31	....
Des Moines sy	67	42	....
Detroit r	58	42	....
Duluth sy	56	33	.23
El Paso sy	81	48	....
Evansville pc	62	41	....
Fargo pc	50	25	.05
Hartford pc	71	61	....
Honolulu pc	87	76	.03
Houston sy	74	45	....
Indianapolis pc	59	41	....
Jackson Miss. sy	65	50	....
Jacksonville w	87	77	.89
Kansas City pc	68	41	....
Las Vegas sy	84	59	....
Little Rock sy	62	43	....
Los Angeles f	81	60	....

Louisville cy	60	51	....
Memphis sy	63	46	....
Miami Beach pc	86	79	.02
Milwaukee pc	59	40	....
Minneapolis sy	62	37	.19
Nashville cy	59	54	....
New Orleans sy	66	58	....
New York cy	77	66	....
Oklahoma City sy	69	45	....
Omaha sy	71	41	....
Orlando pc	88	76	.04
Philadelphia pc	82	64	....
Phoenix sy	92	64	....
Pittsburgh r	59	49	.19
Portland Me. dzl	58	55	.35
Portland Ore. sh	62	51	.08
Providence pc	76	55	....
Richmond cy	82	63	.10
St. Louis sy	61	38	....
Salt Lake City pc	58	35	....
San Antonio sy	74	46	....
San Diego pc	77	61	....
San Francisco sy	85	54	....
San Juan pc	88	74	....
Seattle sh	54	47	.29
Spokane sh	54	44	.02
Tampa pc	85	75	.10
Washington cy	79	65	.04
Wichita sy	71	44	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (OCT. 12) UPI - The ruling party held a partial shake-up of key jobs Friday in hopes of reopening dialogue with the opposition and settling a 5-day-old hunger strike by opposition leader Kim Dae Jung.

The Democratic Liberal Party appointed Kim Yoon-whan, 58, as its new floor leader and Choi Gak-kyu as the chairman of its policy committee. Former floor leader Kim Doug-young, 54, succeeded Kim Yoon-whan as state minister for political affairs.

The reshuffle was part of an effort to improve strained relations with Kim Dae Jung's Party for Peace and Democracy, which has boycotted the National Assembly since July in protest of 26 controversial laws legislated by the government party.

Kim Yoon-whan is a skillful political negotiator and has many friends among opposition politicians. He was not directly involved in the disputed July legislation process.

Kim Dae Jung's party welcomed the move, which came one day after Kim Young-sam the No. 2 leader of the ruling party, paid a call on the main opposition leader and urged him to call off the hunger strike.

Kim Dae Jung started fasting Monday, demanding that President Roh Tae-woo drop an attempt to revise the Constitution, adopt a parliamentary Cabinet form of government and implement promised local autonomy without delay.

He also demanded that the government disband the Defense Security Command, which has conducted illegal surveillance on more than 1,300 noted civilians. He said the government must take a firm move to keep the military out of politics.

Opposition parties and dissident groups planned a protest rally in southern Seoul Saturday afternoon to denounce the political surveillance by military security agents.

Kim Dae Jung said the rally must end peacefully, but political observers said radicals may stage violent street demonstrations after the gathering.

The controversial military spying on civilians was disclosed by Pvt. Yoon Suk-yang, 24, who defected from a branch office of the Defense Security Command.

He said the surveillance targets included politicians, civic and church leaders, lawyers, professors, journalists, labor activists and dissidents.

Roh replaced his defense minister and the head of the Defense Security Command

as the controversy snowballed. Officials said measures will be taken to keep the command from such illegal activity.

About 4,000 students held rallies on nine campuses in Seoul on Friday, protesting the military surveillance and demanding the disbandment of the Defense Security Command, which is in charge of criminal investigations and intelligence for the armed forces, news reports said.

Elsewhere, prosecutors arrested seven educators Friday on charges of illegally admitting students into a Seoul university in return for bribes of more than $4 million.

Arrested were Lee Hui-sun, 69, a treasurer, and six faculty members and administrators of Hansung University. Lee is the wife of the founder of the school.

A prosecution spokesman said the group is accused of feeding forged examination results into a computer in January and illegally admitting 94 students after receiving bribes of nearly $4.5 million.

The spokesman said part of the money was deposited with banks as school funds, part used for investment in the stock market and the rest used to expand school facilities.

The spokesman said the seven were arrested for prosecution because forging examination results for illegal admission is against law.

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#90285u0696 10/12/1990 ~United Press International
TORONTO (OCT. 12) UPI - Canada's largest charter airline Worldways Canada Ltd. has temporarily ceased operations due to a cash-flow crisis stemming in part from rising jet fuel costs.

Worldways said in a statement late Thursday it suspended operations to ease its current cash-flow problems ''due to the dramatic rise in jet fuel prices.''

The airline, which also laid off about 1,000 employees, said it hoped to resume flying in ''a few weeks.''

Tour operators were making alternative arrangements for thousands of people booked on Worldways flights to the Caribbean and Europe for this weekend.

Worldways has been struggling since last spring when the Ontario government provided it with a $5.1 million line of credit to keep it aloft. That line of credit expired Sept. 30.

Last month, Worldways agreed to sell four DC-8 planes for $36 million to pay

down loans to a consortium of Canadian banks. The deal has not yet been completed.

During the past two weeks, tour operators had to pay for fuel to keep Worldways flying but now have stopped paying. Several flights were delayed earlier this month when fuel suppliers refused to refuel planes at Toronto's Pearson International Airport unless cash was paid for the fuel.

The decision to suspend operations was the second major blow to Canada's airline industry this week.

On Tuesday, Canada's largest airline Air Canada of Montreal said it will lay off 2,900 employees, sell four planes and cut unprofitable routes in an effort to cut costs.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - Rainy weather at Cape Canaveral forced NASA engineers to delay putting the shuttle Atlantis on the launch pad today. Atlantis had been scheduled to begin the three and one-half-mile trip from the Vehicle Assembly building to launch pad 39-A early today. NASA rescheduled the move for tonight.

The Middle East News Agency reports that the speaker of Egypt's parliament was shot to death by four men with machine guns in downtown Cairo. Witnesses say the assassins followed the Egyptian official's car to hotel in a heavily policed area, where the gunmen opened fire, killing the parliament speaker, his driver and a bodyguard. A second bodyguard was wounded.

A hurricane watch was in effect for North Carolina's coast from east of Little River Inlet, South Carolina, to south of Virginia Beach, Virginia. Hurricane Lili's 75 mile-an-hour winds were about 485 miles southeast of Cape Hatteras, North Carolina.

Congress and the White House are under the gun to meet a deadline next Friday for finishing the budget process. House Budget Chairman Leon Panetta say Congress ''probably will'' fail to meet the deadline, but he urged President Bush NOT to shut down the federal government a second time.

Japan's prime minister called an emergency session of Parliament today and urged lawmakers to back his plan to send Japanese troops for NON-combat duty in the Persian Gulf. Prime Minister Kaifu says the crisis ''is a major time of testing for Japan as a nation of peace.'' Japan has pledged four-BILLION dollars to world efforts to get Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

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#90285u0708 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - The South African government lifted a nightly curfew in all remaining black townships today after factional violence subsided. The curfew was part of a series of military-style edicts, code-named Iron First, declared in townships near Johannesburg to end factional fighting that killed 800 people in six weeks.

Police arrested a Rhode Island man last night in an alleged attack on New England Patriots wide receiver Hart Lee Dykes in a Providence nightclub Wednesday. Dykes was treated for an eye injury at a Rhode Island hospital. His teammate, Irving Fryar, was arrested for displaying a gun. William Earley is being held on a felony assault charge in connection with the brawl.

Treasury Secretary Brady has asked Congress for 40-BILLION dollars to keep the federal bailout of the thrift industry from shutting down within two months. In a letter released yesterday, Brady said the money will keep the Resolution Trust Corporation running until the end of fiscal 1991. The request comes as the White House and Congress fight over a plan to trim the federal budget.

China's army newspaper called for the return of emphasis on Mao Tse- tung's military thought. The People's Liberation Army wants defense leaders to stress Maoist thought to prevent subversion by what it calls the ''Western monopoly capitalist class.'' Western analysts say the Chinese military remains troubled following the 1989 crackdown on the pro-democracy movement.

A Missouri school district in Cape Girardeau will cancel classes December 3rd and 4th on predictions that a major earthquake may hit the New Madrid Fault. A New Mexico climatologist says there's a 50-50 chance of a major quake those days. The prediction was heavily publicized in the Midwest where concern grew after a mild quake hit last month along the fault near Cape Girardeau.

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EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 12) UPI - Infantry desert combat is not unlike the ground game in football: five yards and a cloud of dust, five yards and a cloud of dust.

The famed 82nd Airborne Division practiced taking enemy positions in the desert Friday, this time using live amunition to keep their marksmanship honed.

And the quality of the training showed when two gunners who have never fired the Dragon II anti-armor each hit their target with the $6, 000 rockets, each raising a loud cheer from their comrades when the rounds hit the targets.

In the six to eight seconds after the round fired, they successfully kept the cross hairs of the aiming device on target, allowing a computer to send steering signals to the rocket, which then fired little pulse rockets to stay on course.

In the live-fire exercise that followed the rocket firing, the troops of Bravo squad of the 2nd Battalion of the 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment worked in pairs, rushing foward 5 yards and dropping first to their knees and then letting momentum lay them out prone.

An M-60 machine gun barked out covering fire as two teams working as a platoon ran forward two at a time, slowly reaching the objective at what was a slow walk for following news reporters. Once within about 30 yards, they jumped up and charged, with their sergeant yelling at them to spread out instead of bunching up as they closed on the bunkers of make-believe enemy. They took a bit of sadistic joy in hitting their targets - empty cartons of vacuum-packed meals they have been eating.

Carrying the squad automatic weapon, essentially an M-16 that will fire up to 200 rounds without reloading, was Spec. 4 James Weirz of Gainsville, Fla., a 20-year-old whose wife and son, James, are waiting for him in Troy, N.C.

He and others in various units of the 82nd have been busy. The 82nd saw action in Panama, then some units went on multinational force duty in Egypt, and had hardly been home long enough to run to a joint training center for two months when they were rushed off Saudi Arabi.

Consequently, Weirz has seen his 2-year-old son for just three months in the past year. His wife is sending him pictures so he can keep up with his son's progress. And Sgt. Joe Caughenbaugh, 22, of Waco, Texas, has been home for two months in the past 10. He and his wife are expecting their first child in March.

''I'd like to be home then for my first child,'' said Caughenbaugh.

These soldiers are hoping to make their first jump in Saudi Arabia in November and when they jump, it likely will be with the 90 to 100 pounds of gear they each haul into the field with them. They let their packs dangle below them on a line once they've jumped so the impact with the ground is lessened, letting the ground ''surpise'' them with the impact to reduce injuries from tensing up in anticipation of landing.

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LONDON (OCT. 12) UPI - British Airways said Friday it is discussing the creation of a new Soviet airline, Air Russia, in a joint venture with Aeroflot the Soviet state-owned airline and the world's largest.

An agreement to continue studying the feasability of the project was signed in Moscow between British Airways Chairman Lord King, and Boris Panjukov, the Soviet Minister of Civil Aviation, said a British Airways spokesman.

''We are delighted to be so closely involved with the Soviet government, the government of the Russian Federation and Aeroflot in their plans for the possible development of a new airline in the Soviet Union,'' said King.

''With the momentous changes taking place in the U.S.S.R., an efficient, compeitive international airline will be a commercial necessity.''

The agreement was signed following initial conversations between British Airways, Aeroflot, and Soviet government officials, the British Airways spokesman said.

British Airways would be a minority partner in the joint venture and initially invest approximately $40 million in the new airline, provisionally named Air Russia, the spokesman said.

Although no definitive timetable has been set, the planned airline has been scheduled to begin operations in 1992, covering routes in Western Europe, North America and the Far East, said the spokesman.

The new airline would be based at Moscow's Domodedovo airport.

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#90285u0767 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

MANCHESTER, N.H. (OCT. 12) UPI - A BankEast official said Friday that a municipality's decision to pull its account out of the bank because of a bankruptcy threat was unwarranted.

Bedford town councilors voted this week to switch banks because of the financial condition of BankEast Corp., the bank's holding company. The company may be forced to file for bankruptcy because of a lawsuit by two creditors seeking immediate payment of $13 million in loans.

The Bedford account is worth $2 million to $3 million.

''We are disappointed by their decision,'' said David Blake, senior vice president of BankEast Corp. ''As we've said time and time again, (the suit) is an issue being faced by the holding company and not the bank. Depositors are not affected.''

Bedford Town Council Chairman John Miville said he wanted to move the account to a ''more secure'' bank. The council has scheduled a special meeting for Wednesday evening to choose a new bank.

Blake said he did not know if bank officials would try to persuade the town not to change banks. He said no other large depositors had withdrawn funds because of the creditors' suit.

''We have had great support from the majority of depositors,'' Blake said.

State Banking Commissioner Roland Roberge said that BankEast is meeting all of its capital requirements. He termed the action by Bedford officials ''irresponsible.''

John Alden Life Insurance Co. of Miami and Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Hartford, Conn., last Friday filed suit to force the immediate payment of notes they issued to BankEast Corp. Officials of the holding company said they could not pay and could be forced to seek bankruptcy court protection by the action.

The suit means that the company has technically defaulted on the loans. Bank officials say all interest payments had been made on time and principal payments were not due to begin until November 1992.

No hearings in the case have yet been scheduled.

Day-to-day banking operations have not been affected by the dispute.

BankEast Corp. is a New Hampshire-based holding company with assets of $1 billion.

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#90285u0781 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - The U-N Security Council plans negotiations today among its 15 members on a resolution condemning the killing of Palestinians in Jerusalem. Council members... including the United States... agree to condemn Israeli police for opening fire on Palestinians Monday. But members disagree on how to investigate the killings... and whether to recommend ways to protect Palestinian civilians under Israeli occupation.

Thousands of Syrian troops have taken positions in Beirut, Lebanon, around territory controlled by Lebanese General Michel Aoun. The Syrians arrived today with tanks, heavy artillery and minesweepers... hours after the Lebanese government asked for help ending the general's mutiny. A pro-Syrian newspaper quotes a ministerial source as saying the move is the ''last warning before a military operation.''

South Africa today said its curfews in black townships are ''NO longer necessary.'' The white minority government says the fighting that killed 800 people and prompted the curfew last month has died down. Black leader Nelson Mandela had charged the government with encouraging the violence... and criticized the curfew as ''a license to kill.''

The leader of the Soviet Union's reactionary Pamyat Society was ordered in

Moscow today to serve two years at hard labor for directing an attack on Jewish writers. The government said the landmark case shows it will NOT tolerate anti-Semitism. In January... the defendant had delivered an anti-Semitic diatribe as he led a group that broke into a meeting of liberal writers... sparking a chair-throwing brawl.

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#90285u0788 10/12/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 12) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for Latest Period vs. Year Earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Archive Corp (3rd Q 6-29)	
$99,216,000	$50,500,000
$2,205,000 (.16)	$4,213,000 (.31)
Revised.	
Barnett Banks (3rd Q 9-30)	
....	....
$25,800,000 (.41)	$64,900,000 (1.02)
Beeba's Creations (4th Q 8-31)	
$44,330,335	$35,394,930
486,651 (.11)	$1,065,703 (.22)
Butler Mfg (3rd Q)	
$151,042,000	$164,397,000
$3,127,000 (.69)	$3,664,000 (.80)
California Energy (3rd Q)	
$32,488,000	$18,034,000
$8,888,000 (.35)	$5,325,000 (.20)
Collective Bancorp (1st Q 9-30)	
....	....
$3,298,000 (.38)	$2,133,000 (.25)
Delchamps Inc (1st Q 9-29)	
$252,686,000	$234,703,000
$2,369,000 (.33)	$2,963,000 (.42)
E-Systems (3rd Q 9-30)	
$438,709,000	$401,797,000
$24,105,000 (.77)	$21,301,000 (.68)
Geriatric & Medcl Cntr (4th Q 5-31)	
$32,384,000	$30,759,000

ad-$609,000 d-$2,680,000
ad-Deficit, reflects a $1,300,000 charge related to expense provisions for audit adjustments and settlement of city tax assessments.
d-Deficit.

Germantown Svgs Bk (3rd Q 9-30)
....
a-$2,414,000 (.60) a-$2,340,000 (.58)
a-Includes tax loss carryforward.

Intel Corp (3rd Q 9-29)
$1,021,441,000 $771,438,000
$171,924,000 (.83) $71,998,000 (.38)

Potlatch Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$314,259,000 $318,385,000
$24,701,000 (.85) $35,133,000 (1.22)

Sealright Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$57,156,000 $52,580,000
$5,574,000 (.50) $5,179,000 (.47)

Siliconix Inc (3rd Q 9-9)
$31,713,000 $27,191,000
d-$3,108,000 d-$5,052,000
d-Deficit.

Temple-Inland (3rd Q 9-30)
$604,500,000 $491,900,000
$56,500,000 (1.02) $55,600,000 (1.01)

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(OCT. 12) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Oct. 12:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberden cy	1pm	54	12
Amstrdm c	1pm	67	20
Ankara c	3pm	65	18
Athens c	2pm	79	26
Aucklnd cy	12m	62	17
Beijing cy	8pm	61	16
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin c	1pm	65	18

Bonn c	1pm	70	21
Brussels c	1pm	74	23
Cairo pc	2pm	87	31
Casblnc cy	12n	76	24
Copnhgn cy	1pm	54	12
Dakar c	12n	87	31
Dublin cy	1pm	62	17
Geneva c	1pm	66	19
Helsinki c	2pm	49	09
Hong Kng c	8pm	77	25
Jerusalm c	2pm	73	23
Karachi c	5pm	93	34
Lisbon cy	1pm	69	20
London c	1pm	72	22
Madrid c	1pm	72	22
Malta pc	1pm	83	28
Manila cy	8pm	79	26
Moscow cy	3pm	49	10
Nairobi pc	3pm	80	27
Nassau cy	7am	79	26
New Delh c	6pm	88	31
Nice pc	1pm	76	25
Oslo cy	1pm	46	08
Paris c	1pm	74	23
Pretoria pc	2pm	86	30
Riyadh m	3pm	95	35
Rome cy	1pm	84	29
Seoul c	9pm	60	16
Sofia c	2pm	72	22
Stockhlm c	1pm	50	10
Sydney pc	10pm	59	15
Taipei pc	8pm	73	23
Tokyo cy	9pm	66	19
Tunis pc	1pm	88	31
Vienna hz	1pm	59	15
Warsaw pc	1pm	62	17

Latin America

Buenos Airs c	9am	55	13
Caracas m	8am	mm	mm
Havana m	7am	mm	mm
Lima cy	7am	60	15
Mexic Cty hz	6am	56	13
Rio de Jnr m	9am	86	30
Santiago c	8am	46	08

Canada

Calgary c		43	05

Edmonton r	38	03
Montreal cy	62	16
Ottawa cy	59	14
Regina pc	42	05
Toronto cy	55	12
Vancouver cy	52	11
Winnipeg c	51	10

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90285u0803 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 12) UPI - The October crop report provided most of the early support for corn and soybean futures at midmorning Friday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Thursday's Agriculture Department reports were generally considered bullish. The government lowered its estimates of corn and soybean production and also reduced the ending stocks for both commodities.

Clearing weather has enabled the harvest to resume in the western Corn Belt, and that activity is expected to spread eastward during the next couple of days. Forecasters predicted drier weather in the Midwest during the weekend, except in eastern sections, and mostly dry weather in the Wheat Belt.

Country movement of corn picked up in Illinois and Iowa, although many farmers continue bullish and are waiting to see the trend in the market before selling their crops.

Wheat futures were lower, despite the sale of 100,000 tons to Jordan under the export bonus program.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.34 up 1 1/4; Mar 2.43 up 1 1/4; May 2.48 1/2 up 1.

Soybeans Nov 6.27 1/2 up 7; Jan 6.42 1/2 up 7; Mar 6.55 1/4 up 7 1/2; May 6.64 up 6 1/4.

Wheat Dec 2.69 1/4 off 2; Mar 2.83 1/4 off 2 1/4; May 2.90 1/2 off 2 1/4.

Oats Dec 1.21 1/4 up 1 1/2; Mar 1.31 1/2 up 1 1/2; May 1.38 1/4 up 1 1/4.

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#90285u0806 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

GAINESVILLE, FL (OCT. 12) UPI - Game officials declared the recent state-sponsored alligator hunt a success Friday, saying licensed trappers bagged more than 90 percent of their quota for the third year in a row.

The trappers also avoided the injuries that marred the hunt last year, when one man shot off his finger and another had an arm bitten by a gator, said Mike Jennings, a biologist with the Florida Game and Freshwater Fish Commission.

''We feel we've done a good job educating them on the dangers of hunting alligators,'' Jennings said.

Officials have tallied 2,390 gators thus far - less than the 2,655 quota.

The hunt, which ended Sept. 30, could prove the most lucrative yet for the hunters. Gator hides are fetching $60 to $65 per foot, about $20 more than last year.

The gators are also yielding an average 30 pounds of meat, worth about $5 per pound, said Jennings.

''You're looking at $500 to $600 average value on animals taken during the hunt,'' he said.

Last year's hunt brought about $1.5 million to the hunters, minus their permit fees and other expenses, Jennings said.

There were 178 licensed hunters this year, out of 10,000 who applied for the limited number of permits. Each may bag 15 gators.

Validation tags the state provides makes it easier to sell gator skins on the open market. Japan is a leading consumer of alligator skins. A gator skin suitcase can fetch $15,000 in Tokyo.

The alligator spent 15 years on the endangered list, but officials said it has recovered well enough to support the annual hunt.

The state drew 132 letters of protest from animal rights activists, but complaints have slacked off since last year, officials said.

Half the protests were from outside Florida.

''The letters generally say it's immoral to kill all living things,'' said commission spokesman Henry Cabbage. ''When you consider that there are 12 million people in the state and 220 million people in the country, 132 letters is something we'll pay attention to, but it won't bring the commission to its knees.''

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#90285u0813 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (OCT. 12) UPI - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz has renewed an invitation to his Iranian counterpart, Ali Akbar Velayati, to visit Baghdad the Islamic Republic News Agency said Friday.

The renewed invitation came in a meeting between Velayati and Iraqi Deputy Foreign Minister Wisam al Zahawi, currently visiting Tehran.

Monitored in Athens, IRNA said Zahawi also ''voiced the interest of his government to resume diplomatic relations with Iran and exchange diplomatic missions between the two countries.''

During a visit to Tehran last month, Aziz invited Velayati to make a trip to Baghdad and asked Iran to resume diplomatic relations with Iraq, broken off during the 1980-88 war.

Iran agreed in principle to resume ties with Baghdad, but the two sides are still in the process of exchanging low-level official visits to sort out problems left over from the war.

Last month, the families of Iranians killed in the war expressed resentment that Aziz received permission to visit Tehran, but it was not immediately clear whether Velayati delayed making a return trip to Baghdad because of this.

IRNA said the two sides agreed Thursday to set up committees to examine the demarcation of their common border, review the question of prisoners taken during the war and reopen embassies in each other's capitals,

During Zahawi's discussions with Velayati, the two officials also agreed in principle to the formation of a joint military commission. IRNA did not say what function the commission would serve.

Iraq began moves to normalize relations with Iran in an apparent bid to secure its eastern flank after the United States and other nations began a military build-up in Saudi Arabia after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

On Aug. 15, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein accepted all Iranian demands for a durable peace between the two countries, including a division between them of the Shatt al Arab waterway at the head of the Persian Gulf.

Iraq has withdrawn its troops from Iranian territory taken during the Iran-Iraq war, but reports from Tehran said hitches have developed over Iranian POWs whom the Iraqis said they were not holding. Baghdad said the men were missing in action and were probably dead.

Iran has reportedly also sought information on the whereabouts of its former oil minister, Mohammad Javad Tondguyan, captured by Iraqi forces in September 1980, shortly after the war began. The minister is believed to have died under torture in an Iraqi prison.

Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani has made it clear that he considered the current Persian Gulf crisis a separate issue from those arising out of the Iran-Iraq war.

Rafsanjani has insisted that Iraq should pull its troops out of Kuwait and said he would not accept any compromise in which Iraq is given Kuwaiti territory, including the strategic island of Bubiyan.

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#90285u0814 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 12) UPI - Edgars Inde, a Latvian immigrant accused of Nazi war crimes, died at a Minneapolis nursing home. He was 81.

In August 1988, Inde was linked by the federal government to a secret Latvian police unit that executed tens of thousands of Jews and other Lavians during the German occupation of Latvia during World War II.

Inde, who died Wednesday, vehemently denied he was with the secret police and he had aroused no suspicions within the local Latvian community, where he participated in theater and was an active church member.

The Minneapolis man was one of more than 60 men to be investigated by the Justice Department's Office of Special Investigation.

In a civil case seeking to strip him of his U.S. citizenship and deport him, investigators accused Inde of concealing his identity when he entered the United States more than 40 years ago and lying about his membership in the police unit.

But the case had stalled and the government recently placed it in ''indefinite continuance'' because of Inde's health was failing. For the past several months, he had been in poor health at the Willows Central Convalescent Center.

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#90285u0836 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 12) UPI - Like Minnesota's fall weather, the men's open division of the ninth Twin Cities Marathon is unpredicatable.

''We've always had a clear-cut favorite or two,'' says race director Bruce Mortenson. ''But this year it is more of a crap shoot.''

Although last year's winner, Don Janicki, will be missing, three former champions are in Sunday's field, including two-time winner Allan Zachariasen of Denmark, Danny Boltz of Switzerland and Californian Bill Donakowski. Janicki and 1987 Twin Cities Marathon winner Marty Froelick of Colorado are preparing to run in the Columbus (Ohio) Marathon in November, which is an Olympic qualifiying race. The Twin Cities race is not.

''Any one of the top three seeds can win again,'' said Mortenson, ''and we have several others like Jose Luis Chuela who was second here in 1988 Thom Hunt, who was third in 1985.''

The field lost three of its original top 10 seeds in the last two weeks. England's Dave Long scratched because of a stress fracture in his foot. Belgian Eddy Hellebuyck withdrew because he had not recovered from a previous marathon and Paul Gompers of Boston dropped out with pneumonia.

''Long would have been the runner most would have keyed upon,'' said Mortenson. ''That will make it more difficult for a lot of runners. There will likely be more probing to see who has got what. But the scratches haven't wrecked the race. If anything it has made things more interesting.''

The top three finishers in the men's and women's open division collect $25,000 $15,000 and $10,000 respectively from the total purse of $221,500. Zachariasen, 35, has a personal best of 2:11:05. He won the TCM in 1982 with a 2:11:49 and repeated in 1983 with a 2:13:20. This year, he was first at the Barcelona and second at the Houston-Tenneco marathons.

Donakowski, 34, won with a 2:10:41 in 1986, the second fastest TCM time ever, which also is his personal best. Phil Coppess holds the TCM mark with a 2:10:05 in 1985.

Boltz, 28, who won with a 2:14:10 in 1988, ran his best time in the 1987 TCM when he was 2:13:24 for fourth.

The women's division also is missing the defending champion. Last year's winner, Kim Jones of Spokane, Wash., will only run in Saturday's 5,000 kilometer event.

Four-time New Zealand Olympian Anne Audain is the women's top seed with Sylvie Bornet of France ranked second and Sissel Gottenberg of Norway third. Audain, 34, a former world record holder for the 5,000 meters, has a personal marathon best 2:32:05 set in Los Angeles in 1984. Bornet, 30, won the TCM with a

2:30:11 in 1987.

The top two American women are Minnesotan Marie Boyd (fifth seed) and Gordon Bloch (fourth).

Boyd, 30, a surgical resident at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, grew up in Buffalo, Minn., and began running as a undergraduate at Gustavus Adolphus College. Bloch, 29, a freelance editor from New York City has a best of 2:33:01.

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#90285u0845 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - The Treasury Department said Friday it will auction $10.75 billion in 52-week bills next Thursday to raise $975 million in new cash.

But the department also said it ''will postpone the auction unless it has assurance of enactment of legislation to raise the statutory debt limit before the scheduled auction date.''

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#90285u0849 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - A powerful new radio receiver began scanning the sky from the Southern Hemisphere Friday for messages from intelligent life from outer space.

About 100 people gathered at the Argentine Institute of Radioastronomy outside Buenos Aires as the high-tech receiver was switched on at 10:09 a.m. EDT and began monitoring more than 8 million radio frequencies. Nothing was immediately detected.

''Nobody thinks it's going to get turned on and there will be a, 'Hello, how are you?' sitting there. But this is clearly a significant step forward,'' said astronomer Carl Sagan beforehand.

The new receiver allows astronomers for the first time to systematically search the part of the cosmos visible from the Southern Hemisphere for radio signals from extraterrestrial beings.

''If we were extremely lucky, and there were some relatively nearby civilization broadcasting us a message, but they were in the Southern Hemisphere, we could have blithely been going on all these year and never heard it,'' said Sagan, president of The Planetary Society, which set up the receiver.

Although there is no evidence intelligent life exists on other worlds, it is

theoretically possible, Sagan said.

''A lot of scientists, the overwhelming majority, expect there's a lot of life and intelligence,'' Sagan said. ''The whole point is we don't know.''

Astronomers are anxious to scan the sky from the Southern Hemisphere because they will have access to some of the stars nearest Earth, including those in the heart of our own Milky Way galaxy.

''For the first time, we will be a very capable of searching for extraterrestrial intelligence in the other half of the sky,'' Sagan said by telephone from Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y.

The $150,000 META II or Megachannel Extraterrestrial Assay II receiver will complement META I, which has been scanning the Northern Hemisphere's sky from the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics' Oak Ridge Obseratory in Harvard, Mass., since 1985.

''We've sometimes detected some strange signals,'' said Thomas McDonough, who runs the SETI, or Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence project, for the Pasadena, Calif.-based Planetary Society, which promotes space exploration.

''In most cases we've been able to track them down as being from the sun or our own civilization. We have on occasion detected strange signals. But they have not repeated. The most likely explanation is they are from our civilization. But we don't know for sure,'' McDonough said.

With its dish antenna 98 feet in diameter, the new receiver can simultaneously scan 8.4 million radio frequencies, systemically moving across the sky in search of incoming signals.

There have been previous searches, but the new receiver, run by the Organization of Argentine Astronomers, will be the first permanent outpost that will continuously sweep the entire sky, McDonough said.

NASA, meanwhile, is trying to get money for a 10-year, $100 million SETI project that would monitor 20 million radio channels every second.

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#90285u0857 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Michigan (22) (3-1)	745	4
2.	Nebraska (16) (5-0)	717	3

3.	Virginia (10) (5-0)	706	5
4.	Miami (4) (3-1)	684	8
5.	Tennessee (1) (3-0-2)	567	7
6.	Auburn (3) (3-0-1)	556	6
7.	Notre Dame (3-1)	524	1
8.	Florida State (4-1)	463	2
9.	Brigham Young (4-1)	259	10
10.	Southern Cal (4-1)	245	11
11.	Colorado (4-1-1)	244	9
12.	Illinois (3-1)	237	12
13.	Washington (4-1)	201	14
14.	Clemson (5-1)	197	13
15.	Georgia Tech (4-0)	111	18
16.	Texas A&M (4-1)	79	15
17.	Oregon (4-1)	60	17
18.	Indiana (4-0)	28	22
19.	Wyoming (6-0)	21	24
20.	(tie) Arizona (4-1)	16	21
20.	(tie) Mississippi (4-1)	16	23
22.	Texas (2-1)	14	NR
23.	Arkansas (2-2)	12	16
24.	Iowa (3-1)	6	NR
25.	Texas Christian (4-1)	4	NR

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: Georgia, Louisville, Penn State, South Carolina, Toledo.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances or postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches.
Those schools are Florida, Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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#90285u0859 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 12) UPI - The Russian Federation Supreme Court overturned the Moscow City Court's dismissal of a suit by a fired KGB general Friday and ordered the local court to re-examine the case against Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov.

The high court's ruling gave new life to the complaint by Oleg Kalugin, who claims that the government's June 29 edict stripping him of his rank of major

general was a political decision provoked by his criticism of the KGB.

''I am convinced, as before, that Oleg Kalugin will win this case,'' the KGB dissident's attorney, Boris Kuznetsov, told the independent Interfax news service.

Kalugin has also filed suits against President Mikhail Gorbachev, who in a separate decree stripped him of all state awards, and KGB chief Vladimir Kryuchkov, who took away his pension after Ryzhkov removed his rank.

The Moscow City Court had said it rejected Kalugin's case against Ryzhkov last month because the decree was technically issued not by the prime minister, but by the government he heads.

''The decision is revoked,'' the official Tass news agency said of the lower court's ruling. ''A new decision has been made - to reconsider the complaint of Oleg Kalugin in the city court.''

The Russian republic's high court also instructed Kalugin to specify whether his suit is directed against Ryzhkov personally or against the Soviet government.

Kuznetsev had presented the Moscow court with letters from 14 Soviet ministers saying that Kalugin's case was never discussed at a meeting of the U.S.S.R. Council of Ministers even though the order stripping him of his military rank was issued in the name of the government.

In the separate suit against Kryuchkov, attorneys for the KGB chief argued that Soviet law required him to take away Kalugin's pension once he had been stripped of his rank.

Kalugin, who served 32 years in the KGB as an agent and then senior intelligence officer before his forced retirement in March, burst into public prominence early this year when he criticized the KGB at political rallies and in newspaper interviews with Western reporters.

Kalugin said the intelligence agency was still controlled by the Communist Party, run by corrupt men and obsessed with internal political protest despite Gorbachev's glasnost reforms.

His attacks against the secret police reviled by many Soviets made him into an instant folk hero and carried him to election victory last month, when he defeated a hard-line Communist to gain a seat in the U.S.S.R. Congress of People's Deputies.

CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 71-74.

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#90285u0899 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

PANMUNJOM, KOREA (OCT. 12) UPI - The U.S.-led United Nations Command called on North Korea Friday to return the remains of U.S. soldiers and other UNC personnel held in North Korea since the 1950-53 Korean War.

The request was made amid some heated exchanges between U.S. and North Korean representatives at the 458th meeting of the Korean Military Armistice Commission held at the truce village of Panmunjom, 35 miles north of Seoul.

U.S. Navy Rear Adm. Larry G. Vogt, the UNC senior delegate, touched on the remains question while asking North Korea to agree to measures for confidence building and relaxation of tensions between the two sides.

''An easy confidence building measure for you to do is to return the remains of all the United Nations Command personnel in your possession,'' Vogt told his communist counterpart, North Korean Army Maj. Gen. Choe Ui-ung.

''Your side publicly stated on Oct. 4 that you are holding the remains of 11 United Nations Command military personnel from the Korean War.

''We welcome welcome this notification. The United Nations Command stands ready to receive those remains. Let us know the earliest date our secretaries can meet to arrange repatriation.''

North Korea invaded the South on June 25, 1950, starting the three- year conflict. The United States led 15 other U.N. member nations to help South Korea repel the invasion.

More than 33,629 U.S. military personnel and 3,143 soldiers from the other U.N. member countries were killed during the hostilities, according to official records. A total of 8,177 U.S. soldiers are still listed as missing in action while 389 U.S. prisoners of war are still unaccounted for.

On May 28 this year, North Korea returned the remains of five men purported to be U.S. soldiers. Positive identification of the remains has not yet been completed.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 12) UPI - National Steel Corp. said Friday an industrial park site in Windsor, Ontario, has been chosen for a new $200 million joint venture continuous galvanizing line with Canadian and Japanese partners.

The Pittsburgh firm is linking up with Dofasco Inc. of Canada and NKK Corp. of Japan to purchase the land. A conditional offer will be finalized when the city of Windsor completes site preparation, officials said.

The 28-acre site is in the Ojibway Industrial Park near the Detroit River in the southwest area of the city. Construction of the 400,000- ton-per-year line will begin soon and should be completed in early 1993.

State-of-the-art production equipment, already in place in NKK's No. 2 Fukuyama facility, will be used to produce high quality, hot-dip galvanized steel for automotive markets in both the United States and Canada.

National Steel will own 10 percent of the new company; NKK, 40 percent; and Dofasco, 50 percent. The facility will operate as a toll coating line, with marketing and distribution shared by Dofasco and National Steel.

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TAMPA, FL (OCT. 12) UPI - Brenda Urban wanted to have her baby delivered in the comfort of a birthing center. Instead, she got a reclining passenger's seat in a Hyundai stuck on a three-mile bridge in the middle of a tropical storm.

Garrett Michael Urban, 6 pounds, 2 ounces, came into the world early Thursday while Tropical Storm Marco battered the Tampa Bay area and his terrified father tried to get around a slow-moving tractor-trailer.

''I kept saying, 'He's coming out, I can feel it!''' said Urban, 27, from her home in Carrollwood.

''It didn't register with my husband that he was really coming out,'' she said. ''He finally turned on the car light and looked and said, 'He's coming out!' And I said, 'Yeah, I know.'''

''It was scary, being stuck on the Howard Frankland with no end in sight,'' said her husband, Rick, 26, a computer salesman. ''I was prepared to stop on the middle of the bridge and take care of it right then.''

''He just kind of delivered himself,'' Rick Urban said. ''I was driving with

one hand and with the other hand making sure he didn't slide off the seat.''

The couple had prepared well for their child. They had taken Lamaze classes, selected a midwife who would deliver little Garrett at The Birthing Center in St. Petersburg, and even had a compact disk of soothing jazz music to play during the delivery. Marco spoiled all that.

What was going through Rick Urban's mind when his son was being born? ''How often do we have these storms?'' he said. ''Why is this happening to me?''

Once he reached the end of the Howard Frankland Bridge, Rick Urban stopped the car, the couple unwrapped the cord from the child's neck and Rick laid him on his mother to keep him warm. He then drove to The Birthing Center.

Unfortunately, midwife Ivy Richmond, in a rush to reach Brenda Urban, accidently locked the door to the center, and the trio rushed to nearby Bayfront Medical Center, where Richmond cut away the umbilical cord.

Garrett was pronounced in good health and went home with his parents Thursday afternoon, just about the time the first rays of post-storm sunlight were peeking through the clouds.

''In the emergency room, they said we should name him Howard Frankland or Howard Marco,'' Brenda Urban said. ''But I wouldn't want to name him Howard.''

Rick Urban said the couple should not have been surprised by the storm. After all, the compact disk he selected was titled, ''After the Rain.''

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 12) UPI - Mark DeJohn has been named the manager of the Louisville (Ky.) Redbirds, the Class AAA affiliate of the St. Louis Cardinals, team officials said Friday.

DeJohn, who managed the Johnson City (Tenn.) Cardinals rookie league team to a 28-42 record last season, is entering his sixth full season of managing professional baseball.

The 37-year-old DeJohn replaces Gaylen Pitts, who earlier this week was chosen by St. Louis Manager Joe Torre to join the parent club's coaching staff. This year, Louisville finished third in the American Association under Pitts.

DeJohn began his managerial career in 1985 with Detroit's Class AA affiliate in Birmingham, Ala.

In 1986, DeJohn was named manager of the Savannah (Ga.) Cardinals and led the club to a 75-60 record. DeJohn managed the Savannah Cardinals for two seasons

before taking the helm at Class A Springfield (Ill.) in the Midwest League. He managed the Springfield club to a first-place finish in the Southern Division's second-half.

DeJohn was drafted by the New York Mets in 1971 and played in the Mets' farm system until 1977. He then signed with the Toronto Blue Jays but never played in their organization.

The former infielder saw his only major-league action in 1982 when he played 24 games with Detroit and finished his career the following season.

He served as a minor league instructor for the Tigers in 1984. He left his position as manager in the Detroit organization in 1985 to become a coach for the Kansas City Royals' Eugene (Ore.) club in the Northwest League.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - President Bush met with Estonian leaders Friday and agreed all three breakaway Baltic republics should take part next month at the 34-nation summit meeting of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Though the once heated question of Baltic secession has been largely pushed from the front pages by the twin crises of the gulf and the budget, Bush spent 40 minutes in the Oval Office discussing the status of the republics' efforts to gain independence from the Soviet Union.

After the session, Estonian Prime Minister Edgar Savisaar said a growing number of countries in Eastern Europe were backing Baltic participation in the CSCE process.

''Our contacts recently with Scandinavian countries and what used to be called East European countries have shown that Baltic participation is regarded as necessary,'' Savisaar told reporters. ''If at the same time a strong attitude is taken by the United States ... this would leave the Soviet Union in political isolation, and hardly would the Soviet Union want that.''

The Estonian foreign minister, Lennart Meri, also attended the session with Bush and Secretary of State James Baker and said the president had ''absolutely'' agreed that Baltic representatives should attend the CSCE summit meeting scheduled for Paris Nov. 19-21.

''We stressed that three independent Baltic countries would be a major stabilizing factor in northern Europe,'' said Meri. ''And I'm very glad to say that we had exactly the same views.''

Though some ''technical questions'' remained to be solved, he added, ''I think

that it is only a matter of time that (the required) consensus (for full membership from CSCE nations) will get achieved.''

Asked if the republics of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia, each which has expressed a desire for a break with Moscow, should attend the summit, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said, ''We support observer status.''

Earlier this month, Baker told a gathering of CSCE foreign ministers in New York that the United States would be in favor of the Baltic states joining the CSCE but would not press the case because ''there does not appear to be a consensus for that right now'' - presumably referring to Soviet opposition.

The Baltic challenges to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev initially were championed by Bush but the issue has largely fallen to the wayside as Bush has sought international consensus in handling the gulf crisis. Independence talks between Estonia and the Soviet Union also have stalled.

The United States does not recognize the Soviet annexation of the Baltics.

Meri also remarked that though ''pressing a superpower'' was not the best way to go, the leaders had entered ''a new phase of cooperation'' and that Bush had accepted an invitation to fish for salmon.

''So it's the beginning of cooperation,'' he said.

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HONOLULU (OCT. 12) UPI - Portland Trail Blazer guard Clyde Drexler said he has agreed to terms on a 1-year extension of his 5-year contract with the NBA Western Conference champs, paying him more than $8 million for the 1995-96 season.

That one-season payout is believed to be the highest agreed upon for one season for any athlete in a team sport.

Drexler said Thursday night he had not yet signed the contract but had reached agreement with the team on the deal adding a sixth year to his existing contract, which pays him an estimated $1.2 million this season.

The $8 million payment brings his average salary to $2.5 million, making him the highest-paid Blazer.

''I think this shows good faith on the part of the organization,'' Drexler said. ''It's a fair contract. I'm happy about it.''

''It's a tribute to (owner) Paul Allen and Geoff Petrie that it was done,'' he added. ''I'm happy it's over with. I think this might be my last contract. I

hope I retire in Portland and that I've got two or three championships by then.''

Petrie, the team's senior vice president-operations, said he expected Drexler to sign the contract before the team begins its exhibition schedule Friday night against the Los Angeles Lakers. The two teams play again Saturday night, also in Honolulu.

''Obviously, we'll be very happy to get it completed,'' he said. ''It's a fulfillment of the club's commitment to look at Clyde's deal.''

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (OCT. 12) UPI - Mediterranean countries in the European Community are resisting an proposal to cut subsidies on all farm products in world trade-liberalization talks, diplomats said Friday.

The EC executive Commission has proposed subsidy reductions of 10 percent on fruits, vegetables and wine - compared to 30 percent on other farm products - but Spain, Portugal and Greece are resisting even the 10 percent cuts, diplomats said.

Northern countries in the EC - including Britain, Holland and Germany - have indicated subsidies must be cut across the board.

British Agriculture Minister John Gummer has referred to the principle of ''equal misery'' in the context of talks in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

The EC Commission proposal would cut farm supports on cereal, livestock, certain dairy products and other items 30 percent over a 10- year period, using 1986 as the base year.

Agriculture ministers of the 12-nation EC meet in Luxembourg Tuesday to consider the Community's proposal for the GATT talks, and differences between the Mediterranean and the North are expected to be discussed.

The EC foreign trade ministers will then meet Thursday to finalize an EC proposal.

The United States plans to submit its GATT plan Monday. The U.S. proposal calls for cuts of 90 percent in export subsidies and 75 percent in internal supports and tariff barriers.

Italy, which holds the rotating EC presidency, has been sympathetic to its Mediterranean neighbors, and some EC diplomats in Brussels have privately criticized Italy for running sloppy meetings on GATT.

''There's not a lot of evidence that Italy is trying to pull it all together '' said one EC diplomat.

The current round of GATT talks, known as the Uruguay Round, is slated to end in Brussels in December.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Mayor David Dinkins Friday planned to call for slashing $2.3 billion in spending for city construction projects over the next four years to reduce the rising cost of city debt at a time of grave fiscal problems.

Mayoral aides said the city adopted a ''no growth'' policy in the $22 billion four-year capital budget program unveiled this spring but now was being forced to take more severe actions because of the rapidly deteriorating economy.

The only projects exempted will be those mandated by federal or state government programs or those that are substantially completed, said spokesman Lee Jones.

Many agency projects may have to be delayed or postponed indefinitely, he said.

Jail construction may be exempted. Some bridge repair work, mass transit and housing contruction could be spared as well, but some of those projects may have to be put off, Jones said.

Details of the $2.3 billion cost-cutting program were not available, but the mayor was to send a message to all city agencies telling them how much they have to cut and asking them how they plan to meet that goal, he said.

This was separate from the mayor's efforts to cut agency spending on operations to close a $1.4 billion gap in its expense budget, which funds city programs and salaries.

The administration last spring already called for reducing debt service costs by $2.1 billion over the next four years.

Debt service on the city's borrowing to pay for construction projects cost $1.6 billion in the current Fiscal 1991 budget year or 7 cents out of every city budget dollar. It was up from $1.2 billion in the previous year despite the administration's effort to cut debt service costs.

Debt service as a percentage of total city revenues was about 10.5 percent in 1984 and fell to about 6.5 percent in 1990.

But the administration's plan released last spring projected it would rise to more than 9 percent by Fiscal 1992, hit 10 percent the following year and 11 percent by Fiscal 1994. Those figures could get even higher because of the worsening economy.

Of the city's $22 billion capital spending program, $7 billion goes for environmental protection and sanitation projects such as sewers and sewage treatment; $4.5 billion goes for transportation and transit; $3.4 billion goes for education; $2.4 billion for housing and human resources; $1.3 billion for health and hospitals; $1.7 billion for criminal justice and public safety; $0.9 billion for public buildings; $0.7 billion for recreation and cultural; and $0.3 bilion for ports and economic development.

The bulk of projects financed by non-city funds are transportation, water quality and housing construction programs.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - Egyptian officials and witnesses report that four men on two motorbikes machine-gunned to death the speaker of the Egyptian Parliament, his driver and three bodyguards. The shooting erupted near the heavily guarded U-S and British Embassy compounds in downtown Cairo. There was NO immediate claim of responsibility for the attack. One witness near the scene reported that one of the gunmen may have been hit by gunfire in the attack. An intensive manhunt was launched.

Effects of soaring gasoline prices last month are showing up in two major economic reports released in Washington this morning. The record 20-point-six percent jump in gasoline prices shoved wholesale prices ahead one-point-six percent last month. That leaves inflation at the wholesale level up six-point-three percent for the first nine months of the year. The increase for the past two months is the largest since 1980.

Gasoline sales also pushed overall retail sales up one-point-one percent last month. The Commerce Department said the increae would have been eight-tenths of one percent if gasoline is left out. Department store sales were off nine-tenths of one percent. Clothing stores reported sales down one-point-five percent. And this came during a month when parents should have been buying new clothing for children heading back to school.

Economists for the Business Council say the American economy faces a significant chance of a recession and very weak growth through the middle of next year. A majority of the council economists agreed that slower growth is ahead, but only five of 19 economists said a recession is already likely under way. The economists put the probability of a recession by the end of the year at 39 percent... up from 22 percent in the Spring.

A hurricane watch is posted for the North Carolina coast this morning, with Hurricane Lilli bearing down on the region. The watch area extends from east of Little River Inlet, South Carolina, to south of Virginia Beach, Virginia. The National Weather Service said in its last report that Lilli was about 450 miles southeast of Cape Hatteras, North Carolina, moving to the west at 22 miles an hour. Maximum sustained winds in the storm were near 75 miles an hour.

Israel has pulled out all of the security stops as thousands of Moslems attend Friday prayers at Jerusalem's Temple Mount. The troops are there to head off any possible disruptions in response to Monday's shooting incident that killed 21 Moslems. Water canons were used to dispurse more than 100 Palestinian youths who had gathered outside the walls of the Old City.

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#90285u0954 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

KIGALI, RWANDA (OCT. 12) UPI - The shooting war in Rwanda intensified Friday, official reports and western diplomats said, as government troops and rebels pushed each other from town to town through the forests and bush in the northeast of the country.

''Our forces were fighting hard to defeat the invading rebels,'' official Radio Rwanda said, claiming to have driven them out of two towns - Gabiro, in a forest national park 40 miles northeast of the capital Kigali, and Muvumba, the same distance north of the capital.

But Belgian media reports said the Gabiro claim was outdated, that rebels had retaken the town, killing 57 Zairean soldiers, part of a 500- strong contingent sent to help Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana last week.

Western diplomats in Kigali said they feared the war, begun Sep. 30 by several thousand refugee exiles from Uganda, could settle into an extended unwinnable guerrilla contest.

The Rwandan goverment, meanwhile, at pains to defuse reports its armed forces were massacring civilians in the name of defending the state, said it released 1,193 people arrested on suspicion of supporting the rebels.

Rwandans fleeing into Uganda, from where the rebels launched their attack, claimed Wednesday at least 1,000 civilians had been rounded up and shot, probably because they were members of Rwanda''s minority Tutsi tribe.

Rwanda, ruled by the majority Hutu since independence in 1963, had a history of tribal killings in the 1960s, the very massacres that drove the rebels, or their parents, out of the country.

Belgium and France, who sent troops to Rwanda last week to protect their citizens in the former Belgian colony, demanded a full explanation of the

massacre reports from Habyarimana's government and asked that International Red Cross representatives be allowed to visit detainees in Kigali.

Over 3,000 people were arrested in the capital earlier in the week as suspected rebel sympathizers. They included prominent intellectuals, churchmen and army officers of both Tutsi and Hutu origin.

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OMAHA (OCT. 12) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle none; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs slaughter 1,100; butchers steady, No 1- 3 220-270 lb 58.50-59.00; 60 head around 250 lb 59.25; sows 20 percent, under 500 lb 1.00 lower, over 500 lb steady, No 1-3 350-500 lb 48.50-49.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 51.50-52.00.

Sheep none.

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MONTREAL (OCT. 12) UPI - The Seagram Company said Friday its Florida-based Tropicana Products Inc. subsidiary will join forces with Kirin Brewery Co. Ltd. to produce and market juices and fruit-based beverages in Japan.

The new joint venture company, Kirin-Tropicana Inc., will be based in Tokyo.

The deal with Kirin is the first major expansion into worldwide markets since Tropicana's International Group was established in 1989, said Tropicana President Robert L. Soran.

Soran said in a statement that the deal will give Tropicana ''a meaningful position in the fast-growing Japanese market.''

Kirin will be Tropicana's equity partner as well as exclusive distributor for the joint venture's products. Tropicana will supply a variety of chilled and non-refrigerated juices and fruit beverage products while Kirin-Tropicana will be responsible for product development and marketing.

Tropicana, headquartered in Bradenton, Fla., is a leading producer of premium fruit juices and juice-based beverages in the United States.

Kirin, the world's fifth largest brewery, controls 50 percent of the Japanese beer market and is one of Japan's leading soft drink producers.

The deal between Seagram and Kirin builds on a relationship that dates from

1971 when Kirin-Seagram Ltd. was established to help Seagram expand into markets in Asia. Kirin-Seagram distributes Seagram's distilled spirits and liquors in Japan.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Brash Bart Simpson took on Bill Cosby in head-to-head original episodes last Thursday and the overnight figures released Friday show ''The Simpsons'' edging out ''The Cosby Show'' in the time period.

That assures ''The Simpsons'' and Fox Broadcasting at least a close second when the national figures are released, since in the past there has been a drop-off from the 24-city overnights to the comprehensive nationwide viewing figures.

In the overnights, ''The Simpsons'' had a 19.9 rating and a 30 share, while ''The Cosby Show'' on NBC had a 19.3 rating and a 29 share.

''The Simpsons'' apparently brought viewers to television that do not ordinarily watch during that time period, because ''Cosby'' was down only slightly from its national numbers of the previous week, while ''Simpsons'' was way up. The three major networks and Fox combined in the overnights for an 84 percent share of the viewing audience, compared to their normal 79 percent.

It was the first time both shows were face-to-face with original episodes - until now ''Simpsons'' has been on reruns.

The previous week, with an original ''Cosby'' against a repeat ''Simpsons,'' ''Cosby was the No. 2 show for the week with a 19.5 rating and a 33 share, while ''Simpsons'' was in 65th place on the A.C. Nielsen list with a 9.6 rating and a 16 share.

Fox reported that this was the second highest overnight delivery ever for ''The Simpsons,'' which last March 18 scored a 20.7 rating and a 30 share, which translated into a national rating of 17.5 with 26 share.

Each ratings point represents about 921,000 households. A share is the percentage of TV sets in use that are tuned to a particular show or network.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - NFL INJURY REPORT:

AFC GAMES

CINCINNATI (4-1) at HOUSTON (2-3) - Bengals G Ken Moyer could start for Brian

Blados (neck), who is doubtful. WR Eddie Brown (knee), DE Skip McClendon (shoulder) and RB Eric Ball (ankle) are questionable. WR Tim McGee (tight), TE Eric Kattus (knee) and CB Lewis Billups (ankle) are probable. ... Oilers T David Williams (knee), DT Doug Smith (knee-foot) and T Dean Steinkuhler (elbow) are questionable. LB Eugene Seale (knee) is probable.

PITTSBURGH (2-3) at DENVER (2-3) - Steelers G John Rienstra (knee) is out. RB Warren Williams could start for Tim Worley (ankle), who is doubtful. CB-S Larry Griffin (hamstring), CB Rod Woodson (thigh), S Thomas Everett (back), QB Bubby Brister (ribs) and NT Gerald Williams (ankle) are probable. ... Broncos LB Anthony Thompson (ankle) is out. RB Sammy Winder could start for Bobby Humphery (ankle), who is doubtful. Elliott Smith (ankle), T Gerald Perry (ankle) and TE Clarence Kay (calf) are questionable. DE Ron Holmes (back), S Alton Montgomery (groin), S Dennis Smith (ankle) and RB Steve Sewell (ribs) are probable.

SAN DIEGO (1-4) at NY JETS (2-3) - Chargers WR Quinn Early could start for Walter Wilson (ankle), who is doubtful as is WR Nate Lewis (thigh). S Vencie Glenn (ankle) and DE Burt Grossman (shoulder) are probable. ... Jets Gs Trevor Matich starts for Dave Cadigan (knee- injured reserve), who is out. WR JoJo Townsell (toe) is doubtful.

SEATTLE (2-3) at LA RAIDERS (4-1) - Seahawks LB Ned Bolcar (knee- injured reserve) is out. RB Derrick Fenner (toe) is probable ... Raiders LB Ron Burton (knee) is out. DE Mike Wise (ankle) is questionable. RB Vance Mueller (knee), S Eddie Anderson (groin), WR Jamie Holland (shoulder) and LB Aaron Wallace (shoulder) are probable.

NFC GAMES

SAN FRANCISCO (4-0) at ATLANTA (2-2) - 49ers RB Dexter Carter could start for Roger Craig (knee), who is doubtful. CB Eric Wright (hamstring) is questionable. LB Charles Haley (groin) is probable. ... Falcons RB Keith Jones (ankle) is questionable. RB Steve Broussard (calf), LB Marcus Cotton (hamstring), WR Michael Haynes (thigh), T John Hunter (hip), LB Michael Reid (foot) and WR Andre Rison (knee) are probable.

NY GIANTS (4-0) at WASHINGTON (3-1) - Giants RB Rodney Hampton (ankle) and C Brian Williams (virus) are questionable. ... Redskins report no new injuries.

LA RAMS (1-3) at CHICAGO (4-1) on Sunday night - Rams NT Alvin Wright (knee) and WR Aaron Cox (hamstring) are probable. ... Bears WR Glen Kozlowski could start for Wendell Davis (hamstring), who is questionable. S Maurice Douglass (ankle) is doubtful. CB Donnell Woolford (leg) is probable.

MINNESOTA (1-4) at PHILADELPHIA (1-3) on Monday night - Vikings DT Thomas Strauthers starts for Keith Milliard (knee-injured reserve). DT Henry Thomas (shoulder) and CB Audray McMillian (hip) are questionable. CB Reggie Rutland

(neck), S Joey Browner (thigh), T Jeff Zimmerman (wrist) and G Randall McDaniel (ankle) are probable. ... Eagles WR Mike Quick (thigh) is questionable. RB Robert Drummond (hand) is doubtful.

GREEN BAY (2-3) at TAMPA BAY (3-2) - Packers WR Carl Bland (ankle), WR Sterling Sharpe (ribs), LB Burnell Dent (ankle) and LB Mike Weddington (ankle) are questionable. S Tiger Greene (shoulder) is probable. ... Buccaneers NT Tim Newton starts for Curt Jarvis (concussion), who is out. QB Vinny Testaverde (toe) and CB Wayne Haddix (knee) are probable.

DALLAS (2-3) at PHOENIX (1-3) - Cowboys DT Jimmie Jones starts for Dean Hamel (knee), who is out along with DT Willie Lee Broughton. S Ray Horton (knee) is questionable. T Mark Tuinei (toe) is probable. ... Cardinals report no new injuries.

INTERCONFERENCE GAMES

CLEVELAND (2-3) at NEW ORLEANS (1-3) - Browns T Tony Jones (forearm), T Paul Farren (leg) and DT Michael Dean Perry (leg) are questionable. LB Mike Johnson (knee) is probable. Browns obtained RB Brent Fullwood in trade with Packers. ... Saints CB Milton Mack (knee) and RB Gill Fenerty (calf) are probable.

DETROIT (2-3) at KANSAS CITY (3-2) - Lions LB Victor Jones and S Herb Welch start for LB Chris Spielman (shoulder-injured reserve) and S Bennie Blades (knee), who are out. T Harvey Salem (shoulder), WR Robert Clark (toe-knee) and QB Rodney Peete (hamstring) are questionable. DE Mark Duckens (abdomen), DE Kevin Brooks (shoulder) are doubtful. LB Dennis Gibson (shoulder) and LB George Jamison (shoulder) are probable. ... Chiefs T Rich Baldinger (foot), WR Emile Harry (elbow), S Danny Copeland (ankle) and G David Lutz (knee) are questionable. CB Stan Petry (knee), CB Charles Washington (shoulder) and T John Alt (knee) are probable.

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(OCT. 12) UPI -

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock Split				
Programming & Sys - 2-for-1				
Increased				
IstFed S&L Lenawee	Q	.21	11-3	10-26
Southern Mineral	A	.10	1-4	12-19
Initial				
Mercury Fin	..	.10	12-4	11-15
Usual				
Anchor Financial	Q	.15	10-31	10-15
Burlington North	Q	.30	1-7	12-10

Burlington Res	Q	.17 1/2	1-2	12-14
Fitchburg G&E Lt	Q	.53	11-15	11-2
Ford Motor Co	Q	.75	12-1	11-1
Hartmarx Corp	Q	.15	11-15	11-1
Liberty Natl Bncrp	Q	.23 1/2	11-1	10-22
McDonald's Corp	Q	.08 1/2	12-18	11-30
NWNL Companies	Q	.33	11-9	10-22
Richardson Elec	Q	.04	12-14	11-23
Sotheby's Hldgs	Q	.15	12-12	11-8

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages increased to 10.22 percent from 10.08 percent while adjustable-rate notes declined to 8.24 percent from 8.25 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (OCT. 12) UPI - A Nebraska native who collected art, jewelry and built a $1 million home in a pricey Kansas City-area development has been charged with embezzling $3.3 million from Citibank N.A., a newspaper said Friday.

Becky Schafer, 28, pleaded guilty Thursday in U.S. District Court in Manhattan to charges she embezzled the money from Citibank, her former employer, the Kansas City Star said.

A Citibank spokesman in New York told the Star the theft was the biggest the bank has seen in a decade.

Schafer, free on $50,000 bond, is scheduled to be sentenced in January.

She was arrested Aug. 3 at a house she bought on the Lake of the Ozarks, three days before she and her husband Peter were to move into their new home in Hallbrook Farms, a development in the Kansas City suburb of Leawood, Kan.

Citibank has repossessed the Hallbrook house and the lake home, valued at $150,000, the Star said.

''It was a Cinderella story in which the glass slipper didn't fit,'' said Max Geiman, an FBI spokesman in Kansas City. ''She didn't have time to enjoy the profits she wanted to have.''

Schafer moved to New York after her 1984 marriage to Peter, an agriculture

student at the Unversity of Nebraska-Lincoln. Both got jobs at a large corporation.

Schafer later joined Citibank's Corporate Trust Services department as operations manager, where she handled billings and payments. She found several trust accounts that had been unused for years, according to federal investigators in New York and Kansas City.

The criminal complaint against Schafer claims she stole readily from the unused accounts.

She had access to Citibank checks and also was authorized to sign corporate-trust checks. By the time Citibank became aware of the scheme, the Star said, she had made off with 165 checks totaling more than $3 million.

The checks went directly to pay the Schafers' personal debt, court records say.

The bank and federal prosecutors said Schafer began stealing from the bank in 1987.

In 1989, her lifestyle became lavish. She and her husband and infant daughter flew across the Atlantic on the Concorde and the couple bought jewelry and art in Paris.

Schafer, whose salary at Citibank was $40,000 a year, wrote $1 million in checks to a Kansas City builder. In June, she wrote the last check to the builder and also applied for membership to Hallbrook Farms Country Club.

A country club officer in late July called Citibank to check Schafer's references. She had just left the bank, which checked its records and alerted the FBI.

Peter Schafer, also 28, was not charged with a criminal offense. However, Citibank accused him of complicity in the embezzlement in a suit filed in Johnson County, Kan., District Court. The suit, filed in August, seeks unspecified damages.

Becky Schafer faces a sentence of up to 20 years in jail, the Star said.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 12) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev issued a decree on property Friday that appeared designed to protect the huge holdings of the Communist Party and official trade unions.

Gorbachev's decree was a response to ''illegal confiscations of property belonging to state and public institutions and organizations as well as

encroachments on the property of individuals,'' the official Tass news agency said.

Nearly all property in the Soviet Union is still owned by the state, the Communist Party or official organizations, despite talk of privatization as part of economic reform plans.

The decree came four days after the city of Ternopol in the Ukraine ordered an inventory of Communist Party property as a first step toward the city taking ownership of the buildings and land.

Friday's decree ordered that Interior Ministry troops ''take under protection, if need be, the items of state and collective property in case they are threatened with illegal confiscation.''

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LONDON (OCT. 12) UPI - Stock prices closed mixed Friday on the London International Stock Exchange, caught between hopes of diplomatic solutions in the Persian Gulf and poor company performances.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 19.6 points Thursday eased 1.8 points to 2,100.4. The narrower top 30 industrial average added 3.1 points to 1,622.0.

Volume amounted to around a light 375 million shares compared with 361 million shares changing hands on Thursday.

News that Soviet diplomats reached an understanding with Saddam Hussein over a possible pull-back from Kuwait, helped push the market higher, but was discounted by dealers later in the day.

Analysts said investors largely ignored a Central Statistical Office report on Britain's September inflation figure of 10.9 percent, the highest in eight years.

Britain's Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major said September's rise in the inflation rate ''was expected.''

Major commented at the ruling Conservative Party's conference in Bournemouth.

On Thursday Major forecast that inflation will ''no doubt'' fall sharply in the next year but declined to give any specific forecast on when interest rates might ease.

Among the most widely traded stocks, banking stocks were hit by news released after the close on Thursday that Chemical Banking Corp. in the U.S. was

reducing its cash dividend by 63 percent.

Barclays Bank PLC lost 15 cents to $6.58 and National Westminister eased 6 cents to $4.76. Standard Charter and Midland Bank also lost ground.

Media shares were hard-hit by news of financial difficulties facing global media barons Rupert Murdoch and Robert Maxwell.

Maxwell Communications slumped 8 cents to $2.54 on announced asset sales.

In the oil patch, oil and related issues were hit by profit-takers and a slight easing of crude prices. British Petroleum lost 9 cents $6.63.

Elsewhere, in Frankfurt, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed higher spurred by hopes of a possible peacefuly settlement in the Middle East.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 21.27 points Thursday, added another 31.22 points or 2.2 percent to 1,459.70.

Analysts noted the gain was spread broadly across the market and followed market leading blue chips in more active trading that has been in recent weeks.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close

Oct. 12, 1990

Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	409.70	off 15.67	off 5.36
Growth & Income	649.91	off 14.25	off 4.46
Balanced	431.30	off 13.01	off 3.45
Average Fund Performances:			
Capital Appreciation (144)		off 16.87	off 4.76
Growth (260)		off 15.36	off 5.15
Small Co. Growth (83)		off 21.59	off 5.93
Growth & Income (200)		off 13.53	off 4.59
Equity Income (66)		off 13.71	off 3.80
Average 753 Equity		off 15.72	off 4.89
Health/Biotech (9)		up 0.95	off 4.44
Natural Resources (19)		off 6.56	off 4.36
Environmental (5)		off 18.73	off 6.66

Science & Technology (23)	off 19.61	off 6.35
Specialty/Misc (31)	off 18.52	off 5.72
Utility (15)	off 8.24	off 1.14
Financial Services (10)	off 27.57	off 5.43
Real Estate (6)	off 21.06	off 1.89
Option Income (10)	off 12.82	off 4.88
Global (42)	off 12.50	off 1.23
International (56)	off 11.09	up 0.65
European Region (17)	off 3.08	up 0.83
Pacific Region (18)	off 18.11	up 2.10
Gold Oriented (34)	off 21.03	off 5.29
Average All Equity (1043)	off 15.30	off 4.22
Flexible Portfolio (46)	off 8.74	off 1.90
Global Flexible Port (11)	off 5.58	off 3.11
Balanced (60)	off 6.87	off 1.43
Convertible Security (29)	off 7.82	off 3.12
Mixed Income (13)	off 12.65	off 3.24
Income (4)	off 5.60	off 1.98
World Income (44)	off 9.86	off 1.62
Fixed Income (535)	up 10.19	up 0.72
Average 1790 Funds	up 0.20	off 1.25
Median 1790 Funds	off 10.30	off 3.00
Unmanaged Market Indicators:		
DJ Industrial 2,365.10	off 14.10	off 6.03
S&P 500 295.46	off 16.40	off 5.51
S&P 400 346.86	off 14.04	off 5.85
NYSE Composite 162.20	off 16.84	off 5.33
Amex 293.71	off 22.30	off 4.68

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)

Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Analysts Intl (1st Q 9-30)	
$28,057,000	$24,650,000
$1,374,000 (.-29)	$1,323,000 (.29)
Bancorp of Mississippi (3rd Q)	

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$3,844,000 (.81) $3,186,000 (.66)

Barry's Jewelers Inc (1st Q 8-31)
$30,870,000 $32,426,000
d-$1,538,000 $152,000 (.03)
d-Deficit.

Core Indus (4th Q 8-31)
$61,954,000 $61,094,000
d-$1,365,000 $697,000 (.07)
d-Deficit.

Corporate Foods (9 Mos 9-8)
$144,921,000 $138,442,000
$10,294,000 (.54) $8,533,000 (.45)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Goldome (3rd Q)
....
d-$3,600,000 d-$7,300,000
d-Deficit.

Independent Bank (3rd Q)
....
a-$1,044,000 (.42) $676,000 (.27)
a-Includes a gain of $265,000 on the sale of its credit cart portfolios.

Independent Bank (Mass) (3rd Q)
....
d-13,827,-000 $1,584,000 (.31)
d-Deficit.

Natl Commerce Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
$6,514,000 (.62) $6,003,000 (.57)

People's Savings Fncl (3rd Q)
....
$234,000 (.12) $699,000 (.28)

Pinnacle Banc Group (3rd Q)
....
$2,758,000 (.75) $2,417,000 (.70)

Printronix Inc (2nd Q 9-28)
$27,919,000 $31,886,000
$201,000 (.05) $1,237,000 (.30)

Roosevelt Fncl Group (3rd Q)

....	....
$1,431,000 (.25)	d-$4,411,000

d-Deficit.

Security Fncl (3rd Q)

....	....
$635,000 (.53)	$436,000 (.36)

Shelton Bancorp (1st Q 9-30)

....	....
$265,000 (.24)	$287,000 (.25)

Valley Capital (3rd Q)

....	....
$9,348,000 (.87)	$8,775,000 (.81)

Vintage Group (Year 4-30)

....	....
$2,115,000 (.36)	$813,000 (.16)

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#90285u1107 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 12) UPI - Britain introduced documents Friday that appeared to balance the views of U.N. Security Council members and the Palestine Liberation Organization while seeking a special condemnation of ''acts of violence'' by Israel in Jerusalem's Old City.

The documents were given to the council's 15 members as they resumed negotiations on one of the most divisive issues the council has dealt with since its unanimous stand against Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The council took a one-day pause Thursday so its members could consult with their home governments and discuss positions held by the PLO, non-aligned countries and the five permanent members of the council on the Palestinian issue.

''We are now at a stage where we have to fish or cut bait on this particular effort,'' U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering told reporters as he joined other government representatives for closed negotiations.

The president of the council, British Ambassador David Hannay, said a drafted resolution and a statement by him were distributed Friday, and he was waiting for reaction.

''I would not say we are near anything,'' Hannay warned.

Pickering said there has been some ''opening of position and the non- aligned (countries) have begun to respond to the needs of the council.''

Diplomats said non-aligned countries were split between pro-Western and pro-PLO groups.

Pickering said the non-aligned, which represent the largest voting bloc in the United Nations, have indicated that they would not automatically support demands by the PLO.

''This is a healthy sign, and we are moving in the right direction. We are firmly supported by our friends here,'' Pickering said.

''I am upbeat today about the possibility to move to a vote ... as soon as possible,'' the ambassador said.

The British-drafted resolution contained modifications that were ''acceptable'' to the United States, Pickering said.

The resolution stipulated that the council was ''alarmed by the violence'' by both sides at the Temple Mount's Western Wall in Jerusalem on Monday, in which rock-throwing Palestinian demonstrators attacked Jewish worshipers. An intervention by Jerusalem police using rubber bullets and live ammunition killed at least 21 Palestinians.

It said the council ''especially condemns the acts of violence committed by the Israeli security forces and deplores the resulting injuries and loss of human life.''

The resolution made no mention of a PLO demand that a U.N. investigation should provide recommendations on ''ways and means'' to protect Palestinian civilians in Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. The United States opposed that the PLO demand be written in the resolution, which said only that a mission by Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar should report its findings before the end of October.

The PLO demand, however, was included in Hannay's statement, which will be read to the council whenever the resolution is adopted. The statement said Perez de Cuellar's mission would ''attempt to determine what might be done to enhance the safety and protection of the Palestinian civilians living in occupied territories.''

The statement reminded Israel, as the territories' occupying power, that it is responsible for the protection of Palestinians living in the regions according to Geneva conventions that protect civilians in a war zone.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - A group of Messianic Jews - those who accept Jesus as the promised Messiah - asked Israel's parliament Friday to change the Law of Return, which grants automatic citizenship to returning Jews but currently excludes members of the sect.

The request, by the Union of Messianic Jewish Congregations, stems from a December 1989 Israeli Supreme Court ruling, which held that Jews who accept Jesus as their savior hold a faith other than Judaism.

But leaders of the group argue that the ruling amounts to official discrimination against Messianic Jews and note that secular Jews, who may not believe in God, are granted automatic citizenship under the Law of Return.

Messianic Jews generally remain closely tied to Jewish religious and cultural practices, keeping the Shabbat (sabbath) and observing Passover and other Jewish holy days but break with Judaism over the question of whether Jesus was the promised Messiah, a contention Judaism rejects.

''The decision to exclude Messianic Jews from automatic citizenship under the Law of Return sets a dangerous precedent,'' said Elliot Klayman, past president of the UMJC. ''Today the Messianic Jews are barred. Tomorrow it could be the Reconstructionist, Reform, atheist or any other Jew whose thoughts do not conform to that of the powerful religious parties.''

The Law of Return was adopted in 1950 shortly after the establishment of the state of Israel.

It has been the focus of a great deal of controversy in recent years as the Israeli religious establishment - controlled by ultra-Orthodox groups - has sought legislation aimed to add restrictions to the law.

Orthodox leaders have sought to bar from automatic citizenship converts to Judaism if the conversion was performed by a Reform or Conservative rabbi.

The Messianic Jewish group said it is filing a formal petition with Speaker of the Knesset Dov Shilanski on the issue and that it is writing Israeli president Chaim Herzog and Prime Minister Yitzak Shamir as well as President Bush on the matter.

UMJC officials say there are some 100,000 Jews around the world who believe in Jesus. The UMJC claims 60 congregations in the United States, Canada and South America.

In the letter to the Knesset, UMJC officials said that public opinion polls in Israel have shown that 75 percent of Israeli citizens believe Messianic Jews should have the right of citizenship under the Law of Return.

Refusing to do so ''creates a double standard at a time when the question of 'who is a Jew?' is far from settled throughout the Jewish world,'' the letter said.

''The state of Israel was established as a refuge and homeland for Jewish people,'' the letter said. ''It was designed to gather the scattered back to the land as a safe haven from persecutors. The intent of the founding fathers was to not to be exclusive but inclusive.

''Messianic Jews fought and dies in the war against the Nazis. Messianic Jews perished in ghettos. Messianic Jews have always paid the price of being Jewish just like other Jews. Must we now pay a price exacted from us by our own brethren?'' the letter asked.

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#90285u1122 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

PAHUTE MESA, Nev. (OCT. 12) UPI - The United States detonated a nuclear weapon 2,000 feet beneath the Nevada desert Friday, the third such test since the Iraq-Kuwait crisis.

The blast registered 5.7 on the Richter scale at the Earthquake Center in Golden, Colo., and was felt in Las Vegas, 105 miles away, less than one minute after the 10:30 a.m. blast.

Some Las Vegas residents reported feeling a slight swaying in the wake of the blast.

U.S. Department of Energy spokesman Jim Boyer, speaking from a control point 34 miles from ground zero, said no radiation leaked into the atmosphere.

Airplanes and helicopters equipped with cameras and radiation detection equipment circled ground zero at blast time.

''The test was successful. Everything went well,'' Boyer said.

The test of the nuclear weapon, with a yield of 20 to 150 kilotons, was code named ''Tenabo'' and was the seventh announced nuclear detonation by the United States this year. It was the third U.S. nuclear weapons test in the past four weeks.

The atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima during World War II was a 13 kiloton weapon.

The nuclear weapon detonated Friday was positioned in a mined out chamber at the bottom of a vertical shaft sunk into Pahute Mesa, a 5, 000-foot high volcanic plateau located deep within the boundaries of the Nevada Test Site.

The test shaft was plugged with grout and cement to prevent radioactive material and gasses from escaping into the atmopshere.

The detonation, originally scheduled for 7 a.m. Thursday, has been delayed several times - once because of a technical difficulty and other times because adverse winds would have carried an accidental leak of radiation toward Las Vegas.

Since the Nevada Test Site became operational in 1951, a total of 706 nuclear tests have been conducted at the facility, including 501 since the signing of the Limited Test Ban Treaty with the Soviets in 1963. The treaty, in effect, requires that nuclear weapons tests be conducted undergound to prevent accidental radiation releases from drifting across international borders.

The Nevada Test Site, the heart of the country's nuclear weapons testing, is a 1,350-square-mile outdoor nuclear testing laboratory the size of Rhode Island.

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#90285u1125 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

SOFIA, BULGARIA (OCT. 12) UPI - The government fired more than two-thirds of Bulgaria's secret police force since the ouster of hard-line leader Todor Zhivkov in November, Interior Minister Pencho Penev said Friday.

Penev, in testimony to Parliament, said a total of 5,139 ministry positions were cut between Nov. 10 and the end of August.

A few former security workers were reassigned to regular police duty but most were either retired or released to find work outside the government, he said.

The secret police network was one of the Zhivkov government's main tools for rooting out dissention and enforcing an official policy of repressing the country's ethnic Turkish minority.

Penev said candidates for security positions were now being evaluated for moral character as well as mental and physical fitness.

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#90285u1136 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (OCT. 12) UPI - NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner held discussions Friday with Greek Prime Minister Constantine Mitsotakis and other Greek leaders on the Persian Gulf crisis and NATO's role in it.

Woerner, who arrived in Athens late Thursday and also met President Constantine Karamanlis, discussed the changes in NATO's role in Europe because of changes sweeping the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe.

Officials said the NATO chief discussed the gulf crisis and NATO's role in the crisis. The Cyprus problem, Greece's relations with Turkey and the situation in the Balkans were also taken up.

Details of the discussions were not disclosed, but Foreign Minister Antonis Samaras told reporters after a one-hour meeting with the secretary-general that Greece would have the right to receive some surplus NATO weapons.

He said the Atlantic alliance was planning to get rid of the surplus that it would have on its hands after an agreement on the reduction of conventional weapons in Europe.

Samaras said he also discussed with the NATO chief the increased importance of the alliance's southern flank. He said he told Woerner the alliance should show the same sensitivity to the Cyprus issue as it did to the gulf crisis.

Greece has drawn parallels between the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2 and the Turkish invasion of Cyprus in 1974. Athens wants NATO-ally Turkey to pull its troops out of northern Cyprus.

''Greece unreservedly backs the restoration of legality and international law in the gulf crisis but at the same time the Cyprus problem is comparable,'' Mitsotakis said.

He said, ''We expect equal sensitivity from all our allies and from the entire world community.'' But he said that ''as a friend and ally of Turkey, (Greece) will settle the differences between us in a spirit of justice.''

The prime minister said Greece did not oppose the entry of Turkey into the European Community, but this should happen after, or simultaneously with, a settlement of the Cyprus issue and other problems outstanding between Athens and Ankara.

The NATO chief said he hoped ''Greece and Turkey will achieve progress in their mutual relations, resolving the problems that divide them in a spirit of cooperation.''

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#90285u1145 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 12) UPI - Stock of MCA Inc. jumped more than $3 a share Friday on reports that it has begun providing confidential data to Matsushita Electric Industral Co., which may buy the entertainment giant for up to $8 billion.

MCA stock was up $3.25 share to $57.125 in early afternoon trading Friday on the New York Stock Exchange.

''The stock has been very volatile since the negotiations were disclosed on even the slightest change in perception of how likely the deal is to go through,'' said Steven Hill, an entertainment analyst with Sutro & Co. in San Francisco.

MCA spokeswoman Christine Hansen said the company would have no comment on the report, which said that the Japanese company would be able to view extensive private information about MCA in return for a promise not to disclose the data to others.

MCA has imposed a news blackout on the negotiations since confirming last week that it was talking with Matsushita.

''Any kind of disclosure agreement would make investors more confident that a deal is going through,'' Hill said.

MCA's shares jumped more than $26 a share in two days following the initial disclosure on Sept. 25 that it was holding acquisition talks. The stock reached a peak of $64.125 last week, but has fallen since then as investors reacted to reports that Matsushita does not want to buy the MCA theme parks in California and Florida.

MCA also owns Universal Studios, several record labels, an extensive film library, $500 million worth of Los Angeles real estate, several publishers, and half-interests in the Cineplex Odeon chain and the USA Network cable channel. It could not sell its WWOR television station in New Jersey to a foreign buyer.

Analysts have valued the company at $85 a share, or about $8 billion.

Several Japanese news reports have speculated that Matsushita wants to pay about $65 a share, or about $6 billion, for MCA.

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#90285u1153 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (OCT. 12) UPI - Former Communist Party leader Edward Gierek made his first public appearence Friday since his ouster in 1980 following a revolt and said communism can still be reformed.

Gierek, 78, said at a news conference in the luxurious Holiday Inn hotel he still believes in the communist ideology despite the fact that communism did not stand a test of time in Poland nor in other East Bloc countries.

''I believe in communism but in another one,'' he said.

Gierek arrived in Warsaw from the southwestern city of Katowice where he has

lived since his ouster to attend a conference promoting his book he wrote about his 10-year rule.

The book titled ''A broken decade'' became a bestseller and more than 1 million copies were sold across Poland.

He defended his economic policy under which Poland's debt in the West grew to $28 billion. It now totals $42 billion.

According to Gierek, the revolt that led to the formation of the Solidarity labor union was inspired by secret police agents from the Interior Ministry.

''Nobody should blame communists for this what they did,'' he said, adding that the credits tied Poland with the West.

''We could have become one of the Soviet republics if we had not implemnented that kind of policy,'' he said.

The opinion of the economists is that huge credits were wasted because of the mismanagement and inefficiency of the communism system.

Gierek admitted that ''there was something that did not work in the previous system'' but expressed his conviction that ''communism is reformable.''

Turning to the period when he was in power and had many supporters, including present President Wojciech Jaruzelski, he said most of them turned a cold shoulder to him now.

He recalled that Jaruzelski jailed him briefly along with thousands of Solidarity activists following the imposition of martial law in 1981 and avoided meeting him.

''I invited Gen. Jaruzelski to visit me in Katowice but he has not given any reply,'' he said.

''Many of my friends betrayed me and it was my biggest defeat,'' he said with bitterness. ''They crept in front of me when I was in power and later they spat on me.''

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#90285u1160 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - Negotiators put a pro-environment stamp on the new farm policy bill Friday, agreeing to create a wetlands reserve to preserve up to 1 million acres - a companion to a new program to help farmers prevent water pollution.

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panel, also toughens the so-called swampbuster program that protects wetlands from conversion and extends the life of the Conservation Reserve.

The Conservation Reserve was created by the 1985 farm policy law, as were the swampbuster program and the ''conservation compliance'' rule that requires farmers to practice conservation in order to qualify for benefits such as crop loans and subsidies. The 1985 farm law was the first to link farm program and environmental goals.

Still to be decided by conferees were two hotly debated issues - the ''circle of poison'' language to ban the export of pesticides not allowed for use by U.S. farmers and proposals to require farmers to keep records on their use of pesticides.

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#90285u1168 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (UPI)- While official U.S. spokesmen have reaffirmed the strength of U.S.-Israeli relations, other officials said Friday the past week has put severe strains on those ties and more potential problems are ahead.

The administration officials said the killing of 21 Moslems by Israeli police during a riot in East Jerusalem was a blow that will have lasting effects. In the aftermath of the shooting, the United States, for the first time since 1982, took the lead in the United Nations Security Council in pushing for a resolution which condemned Israel by name for the use of excessive force.

In the past eight years, the United States routinely vetoed such resolutions on the grounds the criticisms of Israel ''were not balanced.''

An important consideration this week, officials said, is the need to maintain the alignment of states, including Arab nations, arrayed against President Saddam Hussein of Iraq for his invasion of Kuwait.

A U.S. veto of the resolution condemning Israel, according to foreign diplomats at the United Nations, would shatter that anti-Iraq coalition.

Since 1981, the United States vetoed 19 resolutions to condemn Israeli behavior and supported only two - one condemning the Israelis for the bombing of an Iraqi nuclear reactor in 1981 and another, in 1982, for incursions into Beirut.

A State Department spokeswoman reaffirmed this week that U.S.-Israel relations remain strong and the United States remains committed to defending Israel's security.

The U.N. maneuvering, in which Israeli officials took part, was not the only sign of strain this week.

After Secretary of State James Baker had negotiated the terms of a letter of agreement on a $400 million housing loan guarantee for Soviet immigrants to Israel, Israeli officials almost immediately made public statements that appeared to disavow the carefully drawn conditions.

The letter, signed by Foreign Minister David Levy, for the first time acknowledged that East Jerusalem, which was annexed by the Israeli government in 1967, is different and separate from the rest of Israel.

The letter pledged that none of the new housing for Soviet immigrants would be placed ''beyond the green line,'' a boundary that marked Israel's national borders before June 5, 1967 - that is, before the Six- Day War.

Levy also agreed to report to the United States on the plans for future settlement activity, something Israel had never done before. Also for the first time, the United States will send representatives of the U.S. Agency for

International Development to Israel to monitor and audit the housing loan guarantees.

Previously all AID money was simply handed over to Israeli authorities, without any check on how it was used.

However, as soon as the agreement was announced, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir announced the Israeli government would be building ''new neighborhoods'' in East Jerusalem. Levy also said that he would not be ''reporting'' to American officials, an apparent reversal of his pledge to keep the United States informed about settlement activity.

Shamir, in an interview, was asked if he was annoyed about the American conditions in the housing loan letter. He said, ''I am not pleased, but why talk about annoyance? It is their money and in policy this sentiment plays no role.''

He acknowledged that without the loan guarantees by the U.S. government, it would have been impossible for the Israeli government to borrow the necessary housing money from international banks.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 12) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Friday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.73 1/2	2.73 1/2	2.64 1/2	2.66 1/2	2.71 1/4
Mar	2.87 1/2	2.87 1/2	2.78 1/2	2.80 1/2	2.85 1/2
May	2.94	2.94 3/4	2.85 1/2	2.88 1/4	2.92 3/4
Jly	2.98	2.98 1/4	2.90	2.91	2.97
Sep	3.03	3.03	2.96	2.96	3.01 1/2
Dec	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.08	3.12
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.34 1/2	2.34 3/4	2.30	2.30 1/4	2.32 3/4
Mar	2.43 1/4	2.43 3/4	2.39 1/2	2.39 3/4	2.41 3/4
May	2.48 3/4	2.49 1/2	2.45	2.45 1/4	2.47 1/2
Jly	2.53	2.53 1/4	2.49	2.49 1/4	2.51 1/4

Sep	2.49 1/2	2.49 1/2	2.47	2.47 1/4	2.47 1/2
Dec	2.51	2.51 1/4	2.49 1/4	2.49 3/4	2.49 1/4
Mar	2.57	2.57	2.56	2.56	2.55 1/2

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.21	1.21 3/4	1.18	1.19 1/4	1.19 3/4
Mar	1.31	1.31 1/2	1.28 1/2	1.29 1/2	1.30
May	1.38	1.38 1/2	1.35 1/2	1.36 3/4	1.37
Jly	1.42 3/4	1.44 1/2	1.41 1/4	1.42	1.42 3/4
Sep	....	....	....	1.48 1/2	1.49 1/2

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	6.29	6.30 1/4	6.18 1/2	6.20 1/2	6.20 1/2
Jan	6.43	6.44 3/4	6.34	6.35 1/4	6.35 1/2
Mar	6.56	6.57 1/2	6.45 1/2	6.47 3/4	6.47 3/4
May	6.64 1/2	6.66 3/4	6.56	6.57	6.57 3/4
Jly	6.72	6.75	6.64	6.65 3/4	6.65 3/4
Aug	6.68	6.68 1/2	6.59	6.59 1/2	6.60
Sep	6.36	6.46	6.36	6.36 1/2	6.35
Nov	6.25	6.34	6.24 1/2	6.26 1/4	6.22 1/4
Jan	....	....	....	6.36 1/2	6.32 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Oct	22.30	22.35	21.88	21.90	22.10
Dec	22.55	22.65	22.12	22.13	22.39
Jan	22.80	22.95	22.43	22.43	22.65
Mar	23.22	23.38	22.85	22.87	23.08
May	23.58	23.70	23.20	23.20	23.45
Jul	23.75	23.90	23.42	23.42	23.67
Aug	23.90	23.90	23.45	23.45	23.55
Sep	23.67	23.75	23.30	23.30	23.47
Oct	....	....	....	23.07	23.15
Dec	....	....	....	22.88	23.05

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	188.00	188.00	183.20	183.80	184.60
Dec	192.50	192.50	187.70	187.80	188.60
Jan	193.10	194.30	189.50	189.60	190.60
Mar	195.00	196.40	192.50	192.70	192.80
May	195.00	196.80	193.10	193.60	193.20
Jul	195.50	197.30	194.20	194.50	193.60
Aug	194.00	194.50	193.00	193.00	192.80
Sep	190.00	191.00	190.00	190.20	188.50
Oct	186.90	187.50	186.90	187.00	185.50
Dec	186.60	187.50	186.60	187.50	185.50

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MONTREAL (OCT. 12) UPI - The number of union paperworkers on strike against Canadian Pacific Forest Products Ltd. doubled Friday, when 1,700 workers in Ontario settled in at newly set up picket lines.

CP Forest's Thunder Bay newsprint and pulp mill operations were shut down Thursday afternoon as a result of strike action, a company spokesman said.

CP Forest's Pierre Despres said mediation talks with the union were held earlier this week but talks had broken off. He said there were no plans now for future talks.

Despres said two other CP Forest's mills in Gatineau, Quebec, and Dalhousie, New Brunswick, remained closed. The 1,800 workers at the two newsprint mills set up their picket lines Sept. 12.

The affected mills collectively produce 1.45 million tons of newsprint a year, more than half of the company's annual capacity.

The union's national representative in the CP Forest talks was meeting with local officials in Thunder Bay and could not be reached for comment.

The striking Quebec and New Brunswick workers earlier rejected an offer from the company thought to be based on a pattern settlement that the CPU negotiated in July.

On Tuesday, 3,800 Abitibi-Price Inc. paperworkers returned to their jobs after a four-week strike at seven mills in Ontario, Quebec and Newfoundland.

The workers settled for a wage package similar to the pattern set in talks between the CPU and Stone-Consolidated Inc..

Under the three-year deal the Abitibi-Price workers will get wage increases of 5.5 percent each year, a paid 30-minute lunch for day workers on an eight-hour shift, an increase in the differential paid to workers on the overnight shift and improved benefits.

The Abitibi-Price deal also includes job security provisions for permanent employees who may face layoffs due to technological or processing changes.

The settlement apparently was reached after both sides compromised. The company got greater flexibility in assigning tasks to tradesmen in return for the locals getting the right to decide on operating the mills on Labor Day and New Year's Day.

The Abitibi-Price settlement was expected to help break the deadlock at CP Forest.

#90285u1196 10/12/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - The House, reluctant to make further defense cuts with U.S. troops in the Middle East, passed a $268 billion Pentagon appropriation bill Friday that complies with the House's new budget plan.

Attempts to cut the bill by 10 percent, 5 percent and then 2 percent were defeated. The proposed 2 percent cut, which failed on a 215-201 vote, came the closest to being approved.

The bill, which now goes to the Senate, is $14.7 billion less than the 1990 appropriation, and fits the spending levels set in the budget resolution passed by Congress earlier in the week.

The appropriation does not include any specific funds for the deployment of U.S. troops to the Middle East. Those operational costs will be covered by a separate appropriation bill.

Rep. James Traficant, D-Ohio, offered the first two cutting amendments, arguing that Pentagon spending threatens needed domestic programs and is pushing the country toward a depression.

In a raucus debate, in which Traficant berated his colleagues for not being willing to make deeper cuts in defense spending, he asked, ''Is it going to be guns or is it going to be education? Is it going to be guns or is going to be bankruptcy?''

Rep. Tim Penny, D-Minn., proposed the 2 percent cut. He said the ''changing world ... has all but eliminated'' the threat from the Soviet Union or the need to keep troops in Europe.

Penny said the spending cut would not affect U.S. troops sent to the Middle East, but opponents argued it would affect the support services for those troops.

''We've got 200,000 people deployed,'' said Rep. John Murtha, D-Pa. ''We hope that 200,000 deployment has averted a war. We hope we won't have a war. But surely we can't cut the defense budget at this point and have them believe that we don't support their deployment.''

The bill provides no funds for the purchase of B-2 stealth bombers in 1991, but provides $1.6 billion for continued research and development as requested by the administration.

The bill cuts nearly in half the administration's $4.2 billion request for the Strategic Defense Initiative, popularly known as ''Star Wars.''

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#90285u1217 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - A mandatory evacuation has been ordered of communities along the Outer Banks in the Atlantic off North Carolina as Hurricane Lili moves toward the mainland. Winds are approaching 75 miles an hour. The latest hurricane advisory reports that hurricane warnings are in effect for portions of North Carolina and the Virginia coasts. Lili was located 400 miles southwest of Cape Hatteras, North Carolina. It is moving west-northwest at 18 miles an hour and is expected to make a gradual turn toward the north over the next 24 hours.

Germany says it will maintain diplomatic relations with Kuwait, even though it is moving its Embassy staff out of the Iraqi-occupied nation. The Foreign Ministry in Bonn cited a short supply of food, water and electricity as the reason for the move. Iraqi authorities cut electricity to the Embassy six weeks ago, but the staff had worked with an emergency electricity supply.

A 4-H club in the central Illinois community of Monticello wants to bring a reminder of the changing seasons to soldiers in the Persian Gulf. Spokesperson Karen Kaufman says 4-H members plan to mail bundles of dried, fall-streaked leaves to 12 to 15 Illinois servicemen and women in Saudi Arabia. She told the Decatur Herald and Review newspaper- quoting now- ''We thought it would be great if they could open a box and just fling handfuls of leaves in the air.''

-30- 1550

#90285u1230 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Gold futures closed Friday 220 to 230 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	388.00	388.00	387.00	387.50	389.70
Nov	387.00	....	....	389.20	391.50
Dec	389.20	394.60	389.10	391.20	393.60
Feb	394.50	398.70	393.20	395.50	397.80
Apr	400.50	400.70	399.00	399.90	401.80
Jun	404.00	404.00	403.00	403.80	406.10
Aug	405.60	....	....	407.80	410.10
Oct	409.90	....	....	412.10	414.40
Dec	417.50	418.00	415.50	416.50	418.80
Feb	419.10	....	....	421.30	423.60
Apr	423.70	....	....	425.90	428.20
Jun	428.70	....	....	430.90	433.20
Aug	433.70	....	....	435.90	438.20

Open interest: 115,041 off 1,717.

Estimated sales: 35,000 contracts.

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#90285u1234 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 16 to 22 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.63	9.70	9.53	9.63	9.81
May	9.70	9.73	9.60	9.64	9.86
Jly	9.71	9.73	9.63	9.67	9.85
Oct	9.73	9.75	9.65	9.69	9.85

Estimated sales: 15,228 contracts
Open interest: 110,960 off 130
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.67

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday 4 to 6 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.25	23.30	23.15	23.30	23.26
Mar	23.15	....	....	23.23	23.17
May	23.26	23.30	23.26	23.30	23.25
Jly	23.31	23.31	23.31	23.31	23.25
Sep	23.23	23.23	23.22	23.27	23.21
Nov	22.87	....	....	22.91	22.87

Estimated sales: 543 contracts
Open interest: 10,759 off 5

-30- 1094
#90285u1244 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	346.86	210.70	133.64	19.24	295.46
Opening	348.74	210.15	134.34	19.34	297.00
11 a.m.	346.94	208.83	134.59	19.23	295.73
Noon	352.91	212.52	137.62	19.72	301.20
1 p.m.	351.61	210.31	136.76	19.58	299.88
2 p.m.	350.87	210.58	136.55	19.58	299.33
3 p.m.	350.85	210.56	136.63	19.60	299.36

-30- 793
#90285u1247 10/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	389.50 off 1.75
Morning fixing	388.30 off 1.20
Afternoon fixing	388.25 off 1.25
Close	387.25 off 2.25
Paris	390.84 up 3.08
Zurich	388.00 off 2.50
Hong Kong	387.65 off 2.45
New York	
Comex spot close	387.50 off 2.20
Republic cash	388.25 off 2.00
Handy and Harman	388.25 up 0.25

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 388.56 up 0.25 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 409.04 up 0.26 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.306 up 0.071
Republic cash	4.325 up 0.06

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.32 per fine ounce up 0.025

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.32 unchanged and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.622 unchanged.

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 420.00 off 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 520.00 off 2.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 93.00 off 3.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 108.00 off 3.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

-30- 1612
#90285u1263 10/12/1990 ~United Press International
BEIRUT, LEBANON (OCT. 12) UPI - Christian Gen. Michel Aoun narrowly escaped an assassination attempt Friday shortly after he vowed to fight an expected Syrian-backed thrust into his enclave aimed at ending a mutiny against pro-Syrian President Elias Hrawi.

Christian officials said the attempt on Aoun's life occurred while he was addressing a speech to thousands of followers who demonstrated outside his bunker.

An 18-year-old youth among the protesters attempted to shoot and kill Aoun, but some demonstrators pushed him and the bullets missed the general, the officials said. They said a bodyguard of Aoun was hit and wounded in the attack.

The suspect was identified as Francoise Hallal.

''I thank those who caught the attacker and delivered him to the guards,'' Aoun said in a radio broadcast. ''This was not the first incident against me and it will not be the last one.''

''We will continue the march ignoring what happened,'' he said.

Aoun said the attacker apparently had crossed from the Syrian- patrolled west Beirut with a concealed pistol.

''The gunman was caught, and he was being interrogated,'' said a Christian political source in a telephone interview. Aoun's bodyguards immediately caught the attacker, the officials said.

After nightfall, fighting broke out between Aoun's troops and Samir Geagea's Christian militiamen along a demarcation line splitting east Beirut into two halves, police said.

Police said the Christian rivals, engaged in a bloody power struggle since last January, exchanged mortars, rockets and automatic weapons.

Geagea had expressed support for Hrawi's intentions to end Aoun's mutiny.

Radio reports said Aoun cut his speech when gunfire erupted, causing chaos but continued after his troops took the attacker for interrogation.

Earlier, the 55-year-old Christian Maronite general said he would confront an imminent attack. He made the stand as thousands of Syrian troops took up offensive positions around his enclave.

Syria's anticipated military movement came following reports that Hrawi asked the Damascus regime of Hafez Assad to intervene militarily to oust Aoun.

''We will keep up the resistance. We will fight to death. We will fight until victory,'' Aoun told reporters at his headquarters before the assassination attempt. ''We have two alternatives: either to win or to lose.''

Aoun has refused to step down since he was appointed as head of a transitional government by former President Amin Gemayel Sept. 22, 1988, after Parliament failed to elect a new president.

Thousands of steel-helmeted Syrian soldiers, armed with tanks, artillery batteries and minesweepers dug in along frontlines around Aoun's enclave, creating a war atmosphere in the Beirut region.

''Dozens of tanks rolled down the road heading to the demarcation line throughout the night,'' said Hussein Ayash, a resident of Beirut's southern suburbs. ''The roaring of the tanks kept my family awake most of the night.

''We were afraid that hell may break loose at any moment.''

Witnesses said the Syrian troops dug mortar batteries of various caliber among shell-poked buildings and directed guns's muzzels towards east Beirut while taking up positions in the city's poor southern suburbs.

The news about military maneuvers spread panic in east Beirut. All businesses were closed.

Aoun has some 15,000 war-tested regular troops under his direct command, while Hrawi has an ill-equipped 20,000-man force.

Syria has deployed some 35,000 troops on Lebanese territory since 1976, when the Arab League called on Damascus to intervene and stop the Christian-Moslem civil war.

Aoun has been waging a war against the presence of Syrian troops which last year killed more 1,000 people.

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#90285u1266 10/12/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 12) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed mixed in thin trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 2 1/2 to up 1/2, soybeans down 3/4 to up 4, wheat off 4 to 6 and oats down 1/4 to 1.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

-30- 730

#90285u1298 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (OCT. 12) UPI - Police, under orders to limit access to Jerusalem from the occupied territories, fired water cannons to disperse Palestinian youths after several thousand Moslems attended Friday prayers at the Temple Mount amid extremely heavy security.

Also Friday, a West Bank human rights group said Monday's riots on the Temple Mount were not planned beforehand and charged Israeli police who shot and killed at least 20 Palestinians and wounded 170 were not in a life-threatening situation.

Yossi Tuvias, Jerusalem Border Police commander, said authorities decided to prohibit residents of the occupied territories from entering Jerusalem because they had received information indicating at least 15, 000 worshippers were expected and ''large riots were planned for after the prayers.''

The military maintained curfews on the occupied Gaza Strip and much of the West Bank, but Israeli toops killed one Arab and wounded at least eight others defying curfews, Palestinian sources said.

Outside the walls of Jerusalem's Old City, police dispersed more than 100 Palestinian youths with water cannons near the Lion's Gate after the Arabs were not allowed into the Temple Mount complex. A short time later the youths stoned Israeli cars.

Earlier, about 3,000 Moslems - mostly older men and women - attended Friday prayers at the Temple Mount amid extremely heavy security.

Afterwards, small groups of Moslems shouted slogans such as: ''God is Great'' and ''In spirit and blood we will free Palestine.'' Police did not intervene.

Al-Haq, a West Bank affiliate of the International Commission of Jurists, said its preliminary investigation into the slayings found that Moslem worshippers had not intended to attack Jews at the nearby Western Wall.

Jonathan Kuttab, an Al-Haq lawyer, said although some aspects of the incident

were still unexplained it was clear international and Israeli law had been violated and that ''there is room for prosecution.''

Israeli authorities charged that Palestinians planned the demonstrations in advance and that police were forced to use live ammunition when their lives were endangered. They said the demonstration was a carefully orchestrated attempt to divert world attention from the Persian Gulf crisis to the Palestinian cause.

''It's clear to us, without any doubt, that there was no public call to stone (Jewish) worshippers at the Western Wall,'' said Raja Shehadeh, an Al-Haq lawyer. ''Nor was this purpose (Moslem leaders) had orginally called these people for.''

He said the stones that fell in the Western Wall area apparently were aimed at paramilitary Border Police standing on the wall separating the Temple Mount from the Western Wall plaza below. Several Jews among the thousands celebrating the Succot holiday at the wall were lightly wounded by the falling rocks.

About 5,000 Palestinians had gathered at the Haram esh Sharaf, as the Temple Mount is called in Arabic, in response to calls by Moslem leaders to protect the holy site from a fringe Jewish fundamentalist group that wanted to lay the cornerstone of the third Jewish Temple, Shehadeh said.

Al-Haq found the disturbances were initiated not by the Palestinians but by the firing of teargas into a group of Moslem women. Shehadeh told a news conference it was not clear why the tear gas was fired.

Responding to calls from the women, Arab men rushed a detachment of Border Police who opened fire, wounding at least 20 people. From that point, the violence escalated and at least 20 people were killed and 170 wounded, Shehadeh said.

''Once Border Guards started firing, they did so without restraint, and at times, used automatic gunfire,'' Al-Haq's chronology of the incident reported. ''The Border Guards and police at no time were in a life-endangering situation and were thus wholly unjustified in resorting to the use of excessive and lethal force.''

Al-Haq also charged that Israeli authorities did not contact Moslem leaders beforehand in an effort to prevent the violence and police made no effort to warn the crowds before using force.

Moslem religious leaders have rejected Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's appointment of a three-member team to investigate the slayings.

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#90285u1306 10/12/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 12) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $18 to $28 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - unchanged to 0.95 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - unchanged to 2.25 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - unchanged to 0.30 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.20 to $2.30 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $0.20 higher to $0.70 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 5.00 cents to 16.45 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 7 to 7.1 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.016 to 0.022 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90285u1307 10/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.99

60 to 89 days 7.91

90 to 119 days 7.92

120 to 149 days 7.86

150 to 179 days 7.80

180 to 270 days 7.74

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.95 - 7.80

Issuers 30 days 8.00

Issuers 90 days 7.89

Issuers 270 days 7.47

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.14

60 to 89 days 8.13

90 to 119 days 8.19

120 to 149 days 8.16

150 to 179 days 8.16

180 days 8.16

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

1 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

3 month 8.125 - 8.25

6 month 8.125 - 8.25

Year 8.125 - 8.25

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.15 - 7.13

6 months 7.16 - 7.14

Year 7.10 - 7.08

Federal Funds: High 7 15-16, Low 7 7/8, Close 7 7/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.828 off 0.045.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90285u1308 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 12) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.51 1/2-2.56 1/2 off 4 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.12 1/2- 6.20 1/2 unchanged.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.18 1/4-2.30 1/4 off 2 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.30 1/4-2.35 1/4 off 2 1/2 to 3 1/2.

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#90285u1344 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1068.5
Thursday	1077.3
Week ago	1082.0
Month ago	1088.2
Year ago	1105.0
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1055.2

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#90285u1345 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	62 7-8	up 1 3-8

AT&T Company	32	up 5-8
BCE Inc	30 3-4	unch
Bell Atlantic	47 1-2	up 1 3-8
BellSouth Corp	51 7-8	up 1 1-2
Exxon Corp	48 5-8	up 1-2
Ford Motor Co	30 3-4	up 7-8
Genl Electric	53 1-8	up 1 7-8
General Motors	36 7-8	up 1 1-4
GTE Corp	27 1-8	up 3-4
IBM Corp	100 3-8	off 5-8
Mobil Oil Corp	56 1-8	off 1-2
Nynex Corp	75 3-8	up 1 3-4
Pac Gas & Elec	22 3-4	up 3-8
Pacific Telesis	42 3-4	up 1 1-4
Phila Electric	16	up 1-2
Sears Roebuck	23 1-8	up 5-8
Southern Co	25 1-2	up 3-8
Sthwestern Bell	53 3-4	up 1 1-2
US West Inc	36 3-4	up 1 1-8

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#90285u1366 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - The White House rejected proposed revisions in a major civil rights bill Friday and again threatened to veto the measure that it said would lead to unacceptable job quotas.

Backers of the legislation promptly said they believed they had enough votes to hand President Bush the first veto override of his administration. Bush has been sustained on 15 others.

''We think we could beat him on this one,'' said Paul Donovan, a spokesman for Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., a chief sponsor of the bill.

Both chambers approved earlier versions of the bill by margins that fell just short of the two-thirds vote needed to override a veto. Donovan said revisions made Thursday by House and Senate conferees appeared to bolster support.

White House deputy press secretary Steve Hart declined to say if the administration believed it could sustain a veto, but promised, ''We'll work hard to do so.''

Hart also said: ''We're prepared to continue to try to work with Congress (to reach a compromise). The president wants a civil rights bill he can sign.''

Time was running out, though. This session of Congress is to adjourn Oct. 19, and on Friday talks had broken off between Congress and the White House.

''You never rule out the possibility of a compromise, but it appears that in this case the administration just isn't interested,'' said a congressional aide.

A presidential veto of a civil rights bill, just weeks before the Nov. 6 congressional races, could deal a heavy political blow to the Republican Party which has sought to attract minority voters.

The proposed bill would reverse six 1989 Supreme Court decisions that made it more difficult for workers to sue their employers for sex or race discrimination.

The White House has said Bush would veto the bill on the grounds that it could force employers to impose hiring and promotional quotas based on race and sex in order to avoid costly lawsuits.

House and Senate conferees adopted a seven-point compromise late Thursday that they said would give employers more latitude in defending themselves against discrimination suits.

They also said the changes would likely generate more support for the bill in the House and Senate, and expressed hope that the White House would accept them.

Attorney General Dick Thornburgh, however, in a letter to Congress, rejected the revisions as inadequate and said Bush ''will be compelled'' to veto the bill.

''In our view,'' Thornburgh wrote, ''the new amendments adopted in conference do not offer substantial improvement ... indeed in some respects they make the bill worse.''

He said, ''The trouble with the bill is not that it explicitly 'encourages' or 'requires' quotas, but that it will inevitably result in quotas being adopted surreptitiously to avoid the cost and trouble of disparate impact lawsuits under the bill's new ground rules - which the bill makes much more difficult for employers to win.''

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#90285u1375 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - Lebanon's rebel General Michel Aoun narrowly escaped an assassination attempt today. The attempt on Aoun's life came shortly after he vowed to fight an expected Syrian-backed thrust into his enclave aimed at ending a two-year mutiny against Lebanon's pro- Syrian president. Christian officials say an 18-year-old Christian youth among thousands of followers demonstrating outside Aoun's bunker tried to shoot and hill him while Aoun was making a speech to the crowd. Officials say that some demonstrators pushed the

gunman and the bullets missed the general... wounding a bodyguard.

Syrian troops by the thousands... backed by tanks and heavy artillery... have moved to the demarcation line marking the 100 square miles of Lebanon controlled by Aoun. The move is being called the ''last warning'' before military operations begin to move Aoun and his forces out of positions they have held for the past two years east of Beirut.

Egyptian President Hosni Mobarik has named his interior minister as the nation's Speaker of Parliment after motorcycle-riding assassins shot and killed the current holder of that post this morning. Three bodyguards and a driver also died in the attack near the heavily guarded U-S and British embassy compounds in Cairo. Egypt's Speaker is the second-ranking government official in the country, something akin to a Vice President in the United States. Foreign-trained terrorists are suspected in the slaying.

Troubles continue to mount for members of the controversial rap group 2 Live Crew. All three showed up late for an obscenity trial in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, today and were cited with contempt of court for their troubles. The trial involves charges of giving an obscene performance at a Hollywood, Florida, nightclub back in June. Mark Ross, who finally showed up about 90 minutes late, told the judge he had trouble organizing a car pool with some friends.

Japan's parliament today opened debate on sending Japanese troops to the Persian Gulf for non-combat duty. Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu urged lawmakers during the emergency session to back his proposal to deploy Japanese troops overseas. He said- ''This crisis is a major time of testing for Japan as a nation of peace and the most severe trial we have faced since the end of World War Two.

If E-T ever calls home, the world might be able to listen in to the conversation, thanks to work at a powerful new radio receiver that was switched on for the first time today in Argentina. It will scan the Southern Hemisphere looking for radio emissions beaming down on earth. It joins another radio receiver that has been operating in Harvard, Massachusetts, since 1985, covering the Northern Hemisphere.

Florida game officials today are hailing the success of the recent state-sponsored alligator hunt. Officials say licensed trappers bagged more than 90 percent of their quota for the third year in a row. Officials say the hunt could prove the most lucrative yet for the hunters, with 'gator hides fetching 60 to 65 dollars a foot... about 20 dollars more than last year.

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#90285u1384 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - Corporate donations to pro-business Senate

candidates have far outpaced contributions to House candidates during the third quarter of 1990, financial disclosure records showed Friday.

With three weeks remaining before the fall elections, political action committees representing business interests appear to have split their formidable resources between safe pro-business incumbent senators and Senate challengers who have shown strong support for business initiatives, the United Press International review suggests.

Most of the top 15 Senate recipients watched their business PAC coffers grow by 20 percent between July and September.

The top House recipients of corporate PACs, with few exceptions, have seen slower growth of around 10 percent over the 3-month period.

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, who led the field at the end of June, continued to rank first, topping $1.1 million from corporations, Federal Election Commission records show. Gramm received $278,000 during the last three months, which equals $3,000 a day in business contributions.

Gramm has raised nearly $14 million for a re-election bid that does not even feature a particularly strong Democratic opponent.

Last summer, Gramm supported Senate legislation that would have eliminated PACs. But Gramm's spokesman, Larry Neal, defended the senator's acceptance of PAC money. ''It's a relatively small minority of the overall Senate campaign '' he said. ''You can find more than a few candidates who receive 60 percent of their money'' from PACs.

One notable change in the composition of the Senate candidate list was the sharp rise of Rep. Lynn Martin, R-Ill., who picked up $400,000 from businesses over the last three months to catapult her into second place and push her over the $1 million mark in total PAC receipts. Martin, who has raised $960,000 from businesses since the begining of last year, is engaged in a tough Senate battle against incumbent Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., who has enjoyed widespread support from labor, liberal and pro-Israel groups.

Other House incumbents like Martin who are seeking Senate seats, also benefited from business PACs over the last quarter.

Rep. Hank Brown, R-Colo., hoping to replace retiring Sen. William Armstrong, a Republican, ranked fifth in the business PAC column, pulling down $285,000 during the third quarter, for a total of $906,000.

Brown's House colleague, Rep. Tom Tauke, R-Iowa, who is challenging Sen. Tom Harkin, a Democrat, ranked seventh in business receipts, netting $260,000 during the period, for a total of $842,000.

While corporations favored Republicans in Senate contests, the same interests employed a different tactic in House races, in which they continued to strongly back senior Democratic leaders who hold liberal views but control the congressional purse.

Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., the chairman of the Energy and Commerce Committee, ranked first, receiving $428,000 from the groups since January 1989. He was followed by Rep. Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., the House Democratic leader, who placed second with $401,000 during the same period.

House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois ranked third with $398,000.

The top three recipients, unlike their Senate counterparts, received modest increases of eight to nine percent during the third quarter over the previous 18 months of the campaign.

Other differences between top Senate and House recipients emerged during the third quarter as well.

Whereas only one Senate candidate has joined the top 15 list since June - Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., who ranked 15th - the House leader board consisted of eight members who were previously not among the top 15.

Most of those eight congressmen held one or more major fund-raising events toward the end of the second quarter or during the third quarter, their offices reported.

Rep. Robert Matsui, D-Calif., widely expected to run for the Senate in 1992, raised well over $200,000 at a Washington fundraiser last May, his spokesman, Steven Otto, reported.

Matsui, a member of the tax-writing Ways and Means Committee, ranked fourth in business PAC receipts at the end of September, with $346,000.

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#90285u1389 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.86	up 0.06
10 Public Utils	90.91	up 0.13
10 Industrials	86.81	off 0.02

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#90285u1399 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign

currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.
Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

U.S. $ currency

	Equivalent per U.S. $			
	Fri	Thurs	Fri	Thurs
Argntn astrl	.000184	.000180	5435.00	5546.00
Astrl dlr	.8173	.8153	1.2235	1.2265
Astr schll	.0935	.0927	10.70	10.79
Blgm frnc-c	.0319	.0317	31.31	31.58
Blgm frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brzl crzd	.0114	.0118	87.59	87.30
Brtn pnd	1.9190	1.9773	.5211	.5057
Brtn 1-m	1.9596	1.9681	.5103	.5081
Brtn 3-m	1.9431	1.9519	.5146	.5123
Brtn 6-m	1.9212	1.9301	.5205	.5181
Cnd dllr	.8730	.8722	1.1455	1.1465
Cnd 1-m	.8700	.8690	1.1494	1.1507
Cnd 3-m	.8642	.8631	1.1573	1.1586
Cnd 6-m	.8564	.8554	1.1677	1.1691
Chl ps-f	.003451	.003454	289.78	289.56
China yn	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Clmb ps	.001902	.001904	525.70	525.31
Dnmrk krn	.1725	.1713	5.7980	5.8375
Ecdr scr-z	.001198	.001197	834.60	835.58
Egypt pnd	.3706	.3706	2.6983	2.6983
Fnlnd mrkk	.2780	.2762	3.5975	3.6210
Frnc frnc	.1961	.1973	5.1000	5.0690
Frnc 1-m	.1958	.1970	5.1068	5.0758
Frnc 3-m	.1952	.1964	5.1218	5.0910
Frnc 6-m	.1943	.1954	5.1470	5.1170
Grc drch	.006623	.006589	150.98	151.78
Hllnd gldr	.5827	.5852	1.7161	1.7087
HngKng dlr	.1290	.1290	7.7548	7.7542
India rp	.0560	.0559	17.85	17.89
Ind's rp	.000542	.000542	1846.00	1846.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Irq dnr	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Irlnd pnt	1.7625	1.7505	0.5674	0.5713
Isrl shkl	.5061	.5061	1.9760	2.9760
Italy lr	.000876	.000881	1141.50	1134.58
Jpn yn	.007756	.007725	128.93	129.45
Jpn 1-m	.007954	.007727	125.73	129.41
Jpn 3-m	.007878	.007726	126.93	129.43
Jpn 6-m	.008123	.007720	123.10	129.54
Jrdn dnr	1.5674	1.5674	.6380	.6380
Kwt dnr	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860

Lbnn pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mxc ps-z	.000348	.000348	2870.00	2870.00
N.Zlnd dlr	.6155	.6162	1.6247	1.6225
Nrwy krn	.1701	.1688	5.8800	6.9238
Pkstn rp	.0464	.0464	21.54	21.54
Per int	.000002	.000002	433.400	433.400
P'pns ps-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Prtgl escd	.007548	.007467	132.48	133.93
Saudi ryl	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Sngpr dlr	.5793	.5773	1.7262	1.7323
S.Afrc rnd	.3971	.3951	2.5180	2.5311
S.Kr wn	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spn pst	.010441	.010382	95.78	96.32
Swdn krn	.1775	.1775	5.6350	5.6330
Swtzrl frnc	.7865	.7859	1.2715	1.2725
Swtzrl 1-m	.7830	.7862	1.2771	1.2719
Swrzrl 3-m	.7829	.7864	1.2773	1.2716
Swtzrl 6-m	.7833	.7859	1.2765	1.2725
Twn dllr	.0373	.0373	26.79	26.78
Trky lr	.000369	.000370	2712.00	2702.00
UAE drhm	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urg'y ps-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Vnz blvr-z	.0207	.0207	48.27	48.27
W.Gr Mrk	.6566	.6608	1.5230	1.5133
W.Gr 1-m	.6566	.6607	1.5231	1.5135
W.Gr 3-m	.6560	.6603	1.5247	1.5145
W.Gr 6-m	.6545	.6591	1.5278	1.5172
Ygsl dnr	.0960	.0951	10.42	10.52

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90285u1400 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

BERLIN (OCT. 12) UPI - Political parties Friday wrapped up campaigning in Bavaria and the five new eastern German states in advance of Sunday's elections that are expected to provide a further boost to Chancellor Helmut Kohl's conservative party.

The elections are widely seen as a barometer of the political mood, now that the euphoria of German unification has subsided.

They will also set the stage for Dec. 2 general elections, at which voters will determine whether Kohl will remain German chancellor.

Recent opinion polls show that Kohl's popularity and that of his Christian Democratic Union have risen sharply as a result of the former West German chancellor's role in bringing about the Oct. 3 unification of East and West Germany.

Sunday's elections will be held in five of the 16 states that now form the Federal Republic of Germany - the five states of what used to be East Germany and the state of Bavaria in the south of what was West Germany.

The CDU is expected to sweep to victory in four of five eastern states. A recent opinion poll conducted by the Allensbach Institute showed the conservative party leading strongly in Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt and Thueringia and gaining a small lead in Meklenburg-Vorpommern.

The poll showed the Social Democratic Party - the main opposition party in Germany - only leading in one of the eastern states, Brandenburg.

The CDU's Bavarian ally, the Christian Social Union, is confident of victory as it enters the first election in the southern state since the death two years ago of the charismatic, conservative Bavarian leader Franz-Josef Strauss.

A change in the Bavarian government appears unlikely but the CSU, which has ruled the state for the last 33 years, may lose its absolute majority.

This may force the party to share power with the SPD in a coalition that would be particularly uneasy after the fierce election campaign, marked by mudslinging bouts between the CSU and the SPD.

The far-right Republicans, who have in the past banked on the nationalist feelings of disgruntled CSU members, have apparently lost much ground during the German unification process and are not expected to win much more than 2 percent of the vote.

Unlike the heated campaigns in Bavaria, electioneering in the five eastern states, which came to a close Friday, was markedly low key.

Most of the candidates are relatively unknown to voters who have already gone to the polls twice this year, in general and in local East German elections.

But at least one person, whose face appears on roadside posters throughout the eastern states need not fear he will not be recognized - Helmut Kohl.

Kohl's presence largely overshadowed the candidates he appeared with at election rallies, and his obvious confidence showed clearly he is certain of victory at Dec. 2 general election - an opinion backed by several opinion polls.

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#90285u1410 10/12/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT 12) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Suspended				
Bally Manufacturing				
Beeba's Creations Inc				
Increased				
Laurel Savings	Q	..065	11-30	10-31
RPM Inc	Q	.19	10-31	10-22
Union Electric Co	Q	.54	12-28	12-5
Initial				
Germantown Svgs Bk	..	.10	12-14	11-15
Usual				
BMJ Financial Corp	Q	.15	11-9	10-26
Colgate-Palmolive Co	Q	.45	11-15	10-25
Laurel Savings Assoc	Q	.065	11-30	10-31
Mellon Pctpng Mtge Tr	Q	.17	11-9	10-31
NY State El&Gas Corp	Q	.52	11-15	10-31
Rohm & Haas Co	Q	.31	12-1	11-9
UNUM Corp	..	.20	11-16	10-29

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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#90285u1413 10/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Friday - $48,380,000
1990 to date - $8,734,932,000

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#90285u1417 10/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2398.02	up 32.92
20 Trans	829.70	up 5.74
15 Utils	205.86	up 3.90
65 Stocks	850.01	up 11.01

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#90285u1419 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2398.02	up	32.92	829.70	up	5.74	205.86	up	3.90
Thursday	2365.10	off	42.82	823.96	off	11.47	201.96	off	1.64
Week ago	2510.64	off	6.19	866.31	off	2.96	205.42	up	0.50
Month ago	2564.11	off	18.56	889.42	off	8.69	199.20	off	0.88
Year ago	2569.26	off	190.58	1406.29	off	78.06	211.96	off	7.29
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			823.96			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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(OCT. 12) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	164.42	up	2.22
ASE Market Value Index	293.97	up	0.26
Dow-Jones Industrial	2398.02	up	32.92

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#90285u1430 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 294.23, low 292.97, close 293.97, up 0.26.

There was a gain of 1 cent in the average share price.

Volume 12,000,000 shares, compared with 13, 630,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	1
New Lows	116
Advances	266
Declines	273
Unchanged	246
Total Issues	785

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#90285u1431 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	293.97	up	0.26
High Technology	284.62	up	4.50
Capital Goods	310.95	off	0.32

Consumer Goods	354.36	up	1.59
Service	628.78	up	0.06
Retail	832.06	up	9.05
Financial	350.45	off	4.95
Natural Resources	233.36	off	0.48
Housing-Const-Land	262.13	up	2.70

There was a gain of 1 cent in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	374.04	off	2.17
Mid Atlantic	381.23	off	0.09
No Central	362.80	off	1.90
So Atlantic	800.30	up	4.83
So Central	289.42	up	1.93
Mountain	105.29	up	0.60
Pacific	328.60	up	5.65
Foreign	229.46	off	0.74

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#90285u1433 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Friday.

Stock	$Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	91,953,192	30	up 7/8
MCI Commun	90,367,176	30 3/8	unch
Microsoft Cp	77,014,280	57	off 1
Apple Cmptr	52,078,132	28 1/4	up 1/2
Amgen	42,907,556	42	off 1/2
Novell Inc	30,762,380	19	up 1/4
Nike Inc B	30,156,272	30	up 2
Tele Comm A	27,554,492	8 3/4	unch
Reuters Hldg	25,754,478	41 1/2	up 1 3/8
Liz Claiborne	25,006,476	22 3/4	up 5/8

Composite Index 143.32 up 0.91

NMS volume 109,565,200 shares.

Advances	825
Declines	730
Unchanged	1,240
Total	2,795

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#90285u1434 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

PANAMA CITY (OCT. 12) UPI - More thrilling than a trip to Atlantic City or

hitting the lottery jackpot, some lucky Panamanian stands to win an all-expense paid trip to the trial of former military ruler Manuel Antonio Noriega.

El Siglo, a Panama City tabloid, promises to send the winner of an essay contest to Florida next year where Panama's former dictator will stand trial on drug trafficking and money laundering charges.

''El Siglo offers you the opportunity of your life - to be in Orlando when this monsterous abortion, the ex-narco-dictator Manuel Noriega, is punished,'' the newspaper states in advertisements for the contest.

The trial is scheduled to take place in Miami, and it was not clear why the tabloid mentioned Orlando.

To win, contestents must write an essay of no longer than 12 pages double-spaced about the abuses and corruption of Noriega and Panama's military governments of the past 21 years.

U.S. troops invaded Panama, deposed Noriega and installed a civilian government last December.

Writers are encouraged to include photos, tape recordings and other materials as documentation. A ''qualified jury'' will judge the essays and El Siglo promises to publish all efforts.

The winner gets round-trip air fare to Florida plus free lodging in a hotel next to the court building where Noriega is to face trial, El Siglo said.

Advertisements for the contest, which opened last month, include the famous mug-shot of Noriega holding his prisoner's number, and urge Panamanians: ''Enter and Win.''

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#90285u1456 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks	-	187,940,000 shares
1990 to date	-	31,342,062,342
Warrants	-	1,236,900
1990 to date	-	198,296,590

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#90285u1461 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday

Key crude prices
($ per bbl fob)

UAE's Dubai light	34.65-34.75	35.20-35.30
North Sea Brent	39.50-39.60	41.60-41.70
West Texas Intermed	39.60-39.70	40.40-40.45
Light Louisiana Sweet	40.25-40.45	41.25-41.35
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	99.90-100.15	98.00-98.50
No. 2 Heating oil	104.10-104.35	102.60-102.85
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	95.40-95.65	93.90-94.00
No. 2 Heating oil	101.80-102.05	101.35-101.60

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#90285u1463 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	216.15	218.60	214.30	217.00	214.55
Mar	....	....	....	219.20	216.75
Jun	....	....	....	222.20	219.75

Previous day volume: 144 contracts.

Open interest: 1,165 off 20

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	299.15	304.25	297.50	301.70	297.35
Mar	301.50	306.00	300.10	304.15	299.75
Jun	307.20	309.50	303.50	306.85	302.50
Sep	309.80	312.00	306.50	309.35	305.10

Today's estimated volume: 52,464 contracts.

Open interest: 152,188 up 1,545

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	163.80	167.25	162.90	165.25	162.80
Mar	165.50	166.80	164.55	166.55	164.10
Jun	166.75	166.75	166.75	167.85	165.40

Open interest: 5,328 up 410

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	498.75	503.50	493.60	499.25	494.25

Nov 495.25 502.00 493.25 499.00 494.00
Dec 499.00 505.75 496.00 501.00 496.00
Estimated volume 6,047 contracts.
Open interest: 8,664 up 85

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#90285u1464 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT 12) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Centerior Enrgy	7,602,300	18	up 3/8
Wal-Mart Strs	4,030,400	26	up 5/8
Citicorp	2,811,500	13 5/8	unch
Philip Morris	2,612,900	44 3/4	up 3/8
IBM Corp	2,308,100	100 1/4	off 3/4
Genl Electric	1,847,600	53	up 1 3/4
Waste Mangment	1,688,800	30 1/4	up 7/8
Walt Disney	1,676,900	90 1/4	off 3/8
Chem Banking	1,659,100	12 5/8	off 5/8
PepsiCo Inc	1,658,200	23 3/4	up 1 1/8
AT&T Company	1,653,500	32	up 5/8
Amer Express	1,616,700	19 3/8	up 5/8
Compaq Cmptr	1,373,500	36 3/4	off 2 1/4
Genl Motor	1,351,200	36 3/4	up 1 1/8
Exxon Corp	1,338,500	48 1/2	up 3/8

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#90285u1469 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2384.16	2428.71	2349.75	2398.02	up 32.92
20 Trans	826.55	842.64	809.73	829.70	up 5.74
15 Utils	203.16	206.80	202.34	205.86	up 3.90
65 Stock	844.36	860.19	832.52	850.01	up 11.01

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	22,646,400	25,449,600
Trans	3,135,900	3,085,700
Utils	11,677,700	2,860,600
65 Stock	37,460,000	31,395,900

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.

20 Bonds	88.86	up 0.06
10 Public Utils	90.91	up 0.13
10 Industrials	86.81	off 0.02

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 128.78 off 0.19.

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#90285u1471 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT 12) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
ENSCO	687,700	2 7/8	off 1/8
Salomon wt Jan	436,900	18 7/8	off 1 1/2
Hasbro Inc	372,700	11 3/8	off 1/4
Echo Bay Mines	344,400	12	up 1/8
Paine W Gr wtB	330,600	9 3/8	off 1 1/8
Denmark K wt	275,400	19 7/8	off 1 1/2
Contl Air	234,600	4 1/4	up 1/8
ICH Corp	226,600	2 3/4	off 1/4
Salomon p wt Mar	221,600	5	off 3/8
WangLB	221,400	3 1/8	up 1/8

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NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending October 12.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	89.29	89.29	88.09	88.86	off 0.31
10 Utils	90.81	90.91	90.64	90.91	up 0.28
10 Indus	87.78	87.78	86.81	86.81	off 0.90

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#90285u1481 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended October 12:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2530.69	2548.02	2344.31	2398.02	off 112.62

20 Trans	850.41	868.53	809.73	829.70	off 36.61
15 Utils	205.73	209.57	201.02	205.86	up 0.44
65 Stocks	881.48	892.63	830.62	850.01	off 31.47

20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

89.29 89.29 88.09 88.86 off 0.31

Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

131.57 131.57 128.78 128.78 off 1.82

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#90285u1493 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT 12) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended October 12, 1990.

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTL)	317,991,680	33 3/4	28	30	up 7/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	311,430,624	66 1/2	54	57	off 1
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	256,166,224	33 3/4	29 1/8	30 3/8	unch
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	217,778,656	43 3/8	39 1/8	41 1/2	up 1 3/8
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	173,560,528	29 1/4	25 1/2	28 1/4	up 1/2
Laidlaw Inc B	(LDMFB)	145,939,232	18 1/4	15 5/8	16 1/4	unch
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	143,136,560	31 3/4	27 1/4	30	up 2
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	132,603,568	19	16 7/8	18 5/8	up 3/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	124,469,784	46 1/2	40 5/8	42	off 1/2
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	117,771,384	24 3/4	17 1/4	19	up 1/4

NMS volume 572,954,000 shares.

Advances	489
Declines	1,632
Unchanged	669
Total	2,790

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#90285u1495 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	346.86	210.70	133.64	19.24	295.46
Opening	348.74	210.15	134.34	19.34	297.00
11 a.m.	346.94	208.83	134.59	19.23	295.73
Noon	352.91	212.52	137.62	19.72	301.20
1 p.m.	351.61	210.31	136.76	19.58	299.88

2 p.m.	350.87	210.58	136.55	19.58	299.33
3 p.m.	350.85	210.56	136.63	19.60	299.36
Close	351.52	212.12	136.97	19.68	300.03
Change	up 4.66	up 1.42	up 3.33	up 0.44	up 4.57

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#90285u1508 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - Egyptian officials theorize that foreign powers are behind today's assassination of the nation's speaker of Parliament. His two-car motorcade came under machine gun fire as it moved through Cairo earlier today. The speaker holds a position second to only that of president in Egypt.

Supporters of Christian General Michael Aoun pushed an 18-year-old youth today just as he fired several shots at the rebel Lebanese leader. Aoun was NOT injured. The assassination attempt comes as thousands of Syrian troops massed in what is expected to be a drive to end his two-year rebellion.

The watchful eyes of a huge Israeli security force were focused on thousands of Moslems who attended Friday prayers at the Temple Mount in Jerusalem's Old City. There were NO problems at the site of this week's slayings of 21 Arabs. But outside the walls of the Old City police used water cannons to disperse a crowd of Palestinians.

British Prime Minister Thatcher had tough words for Iraq today during a speech at the Conservative Party conference in London. Thatcher declared that every day Iraqi soldiers stay in Kuwait is- in her words- ''a new act of war.'' She also pledged that opposing nations would force Iraq out of the Persian Gulf state.

President Bush wants the Baltic republics of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania to take part in a 34-nation summit in Europe next month. That word comes after Bush met for 90 minutes at the White House today with Estonian leaders, discussing their efforts to gain independence from the Soviet Union.

The U-S-led United Nations Command is calling on North Korea to return the remains of American soldiers and other U-N-C personnel held there since the Korean War. The request came at a meeting today between U-S and Korean representatives at the truce village of Panmunjom, 35 miles north of Seoul.

NASA officials will wait until tonight, weather permitting, before moving the shuttle Atlantis out toward launch pad 39- A. The original journey was held up as Tropical Storm Marco lashed Florida's west coast and what was left of Tropical Storm Klaus dumped rain along the east coast.

The obscenity trial of the controversial Miami-based rap group 2 Live Crew did NOT get off to a good start for the performers. All three men showed up late in court today and were cited for contempt. The judge says their sentences for

contempt will be withheld until after the obscenity trial.

Police in Baltimore County say a man who opened fire in a Woodland, Maryland, car dealership today... killing one man and wounding two others... had apparently been fired from his job there two days ago. The gunman later turned his weapon on himself and committed suicide.

Police in the central Philippines blame firecrackers for the deaths of three people killed today in a house in a city 300 miles south of Manila. Authorities say a dozen other people were wounded and the two- story house was destroyed when firecrackers they were preparing exploded.

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#90285u1515 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	327.55	up	1.94	347.36	467.29
Industrial	347.72	up	2.88	370.11	452.13
Finance	328.64	up	2.85	343.99	554.57
Insurance	382.39	off	1.19	402.15	532.99
Utility	449.65	off	1.06	480.54	747.59
Bank	244.17	off	0.93	253.46	466.52
Transport	366.32	off	0.35	387.91	476.47

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.61

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 143.32 up 0.91

Industrial Index 137.27 up 1.18

NASDAQ-100 Index 333.43 up 3.04

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#90285u1516 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending October 12:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	369.18	346.86	351.52	off 5.50
20 Trans	220.40	210.70	212.12	off 6.83
40 Utils	138.24	133.64	136.97	up 0.46
40 Fncl	20.79	19.24	19.68	off 1.11

500 Stock	313.48	295.46	300.03	off 11.20

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#90285u1518 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended October 12:

High	Low	Last	Net change
307.22	292.92	293.97	off 12.51

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#90285u1525 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT 12) UPI - The 10 most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended October 12, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
ENSCO	2,730,900	3 5/8	2 5/8	2 7/8	off 3/4
BAT Indus	2,046,300	11 7/8	10 9-16	10 9-16	off 1 3-16
Paine W Gr wtB	1,937,800	10 1/2	8	9 3/8	up 1/4
Denmark K wt	1,705,200	21 3/8	18 1/4	19 7/8	up 1/4
Fruit of Loom	1,622,300	8 1/8	7	7 1/8	off 1
Salomon wt Jan	1,532,300	20 1/2	17 1/2	18 7/8	up 1/8
Echo Bay Mines	1,260,200	12 1/2	11 5/8	12	off 1/2
Salomon Phibro	1,220,500	3 7/8	3 1/2	3 5/8	off 1/8
Eksport wt	1,183,300	10 5/8	8	9 5/8	up 1/2
Salomon p wt Mar	1,158,400	8 3/4	4	5	up 5/8

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#90285u1534 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT 12) - Largest net changes amoung NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended October 12, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5735	off 165
Sea Contr pfD	59	off 47 7/8
CapCiti/ABC	437	off 42 1/2
Signal Cos pf	36	up 25 1/8
CBS Inc	154 1/2	off 17 3/8
Duke Power pf	245	up 16 1/4
Washington Post	197	off 14 3/4
UAL Corp	90 1/4	off 12 1/2
Ogden pf	93	off 12
Pitney pf	132	up 10
Woolworth pfA	132	off 10
Reynolds Metal	52 3/4	off 9
Loews Corp	81 1/8	off 8 3/4

Fedl Home Loan	43 1/4	off 8 1/2
Kubota Ltd	107	up 8 1/2

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#90285u1537 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 13) UPI - NFL Standings:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	4	1	0	.800	130	99	2-1	W-3
Miami	4	1	0	.800	108	73	3-0	W-2
Indianapolis	2	3	0	.400	81	108	0-2	W-2
New York Jets	2	3	0	.400	104	109	1-2	L-1
New England	1	4	0	.200	80	152	1-2	L-2
CENTRAL								
Cincinnati	4	1	0	.800	137	105	0-0	W-1
Cleveland	2	3	0	.400	78	114	1-0	W-1
Houston	2	3	0	.400	98	108	0-1	L-1
Pittsburgh	2	3	0	.400	48	85	1-1	L-3
WEST								
LA Raiders	4	1	0	.800	99	73	2-0	L-1
Kansas City	3	2	0	.600	117	71	0-1	L-1
Denver	2	3	0	.500	400	127	2-1	L-2
Seattle	2	3	0	.400	108	104	0-2	W-2
San Diego	1	4	0	.200	75	105	0-0	L-2

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	4	0	0	1.000	106	47	3-0	W-4
Washington	3	1	0	.750	101	51	3-0	W-2
Dallas	2	3	0	.400	70	102	0-3	W-1
Philadelphia	1	3	0	.250	91	95	0-2	L-1
Phoenix	1	3	0	.250	40	118	1-2	L-2
CENTRAL								
Chicago	4	1	0	.800	104	66	3-0	W-1
Tampa Bay	3	2	0	.600	108	110	3-0	L-1
Green Bay	2	3	0	.400	76	93	1-2	L-1
Detroit	2	3	0	.400	117	126	1-3	W-1
Minnesota	1	4	0	.200	116	103	0-3	L-3
WEST								
San Francisco	4	0	0	1.000	82	59	2-0	W-4

Atlanta	2	2	0	.500	102	94	1-1	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	1	3	0	.250	111	111	0-0	L-1
New Orleans	1	3	0	.250	70	80	0-2	L-1

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#90285u1541 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

CARACAS, Venezuela (OCT. 12) UPI - The presidents of eight Latin American countries agreed Friday to present a common response to President Bush's call for a hemispheric economic block and said the time was ripe for such a proposal.

The leaders of the so-called ''Group of Rio'' also want to invite non-members from Central America and the Caribbean to join their organization, creating a unified voice for Latin America.

In two days of meetings, the eight agreed to a ''positive'' response to Bush's June call for a free trade zone stretching from Alaska to Tierra de Fuego Island at the tip of South America, said Chilean Foreign Minister Enrique Silva Cimma.

''There was agreement to consider it positive,'' said Silva Cimma, speaking of the final communique that was to be issued late Friday.

''But also to find certain points of agreement from the different countries that are represented here in order to propose them to other countries so there is a level of agreement in the Latin America proposals.''

The presidents of Venezuela, Ecuador, Colombia, Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Mexico and Uruguay, along with the Peruvian foreign minister, also accepted into the informal organization Paraguay and Bolivia, the only two major South American nations that were not members. In addition, Silva Cimma said there was agreement to invite Central American and Caribbean nations to join, creating what would be a single voice for Latin America.

The decision comes after years of criticism of U.S. domination of the Organization of America States, the regional forum of the Americas and the Caribbean with headquarters in Washington.

The presidents also agreed to study a proposed regional energy pact under which, for example, energy-rich nations such as Mexico and Venezuela would provide petroleum to countries without their own resources.

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#90285u1545 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - Largest net changes amoung AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended October 12, 1990.

Stock	Close		Net Chg.
Caspen Oil	2047 5/8	up	2047 1/2
Maxxam Inc	41	off	11 1/2
Americus IBM ut	101	off	7
Americus IBM pr	98 1/2	off	7
Ford Canada	110	off	5
Enrgy Serv Co pf	20 1/4	off	5
Americus PG sc	27 3/8	off	3 3/4
Americus MOB sc	6 3/4	off	3 1/2
Americus ARC sc	27 3/4	off	3 1/4
Americus GE ut	52 1/2	off	3 1/4

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#90285u1553 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended October 12:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	172.38	161.99	164.42	off 6.28
Industrial	214.80	200.77	203.19	off 9.48
Transportation	134.79	127.05	129.03	off 4.38
Utilities	87.64	84.96	86.65	up 0.11
Finance	112.39	104.55	106.39	off 4.93

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#90285u1558 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - The dollar ended mixed in New York trading Friday, declining in early trading on rumors that peace might break out in the Mideast but later recovering as players covered their bets for the weekend.

But currency dealers and analysts said the dominant theme was bearishness on the U.S. currency, given the unpromising U.S. economic climate and a sense of deepening stalemate in Capitol Hill budget talks.

Francoise Soares-Kemp, a Credit Suisse treasury vice president commented, ''I can't emphasize how incredibly bearish the market is about the whole economic picture, the whole spectacle in Washington, the Mideast situation.''

In late New York trading the dollar was quoted at 1.5250 German marks, a gain from 1.5135 marks Thursday, and at 129.10 Japanese yen, off from 129.50.

Reports and rumors about the Gulf standoff swirled through the market. One of them said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, considering withdrawal from Kuwait,

had sounded out Soviet officials and his advisors on the move.

That undermined the dollar; one reason players have been unwilling to sell it without restraint is fear that war might boost it sharply. When the rumors did not pan out, traders bought dollars to hold until Monday.

''Ahead of the weekend, you don't go home short dollars,'' said Earl Johnson, a Harris Trust & Savings Bank vice president and currency adviser.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2865 Swiss francs, up from 1.2730; 5.1090 French francs, up from 5.0690; and 1,142.75 Italian lire, up from 1,134.50.

The pound moved down to $1.9655 from $1.9770.

In Europe, the dollar closed lower on dealer conviction of its weakness amid U.S. budget wrangling and the threat of recession. Analysts said it would keep moving down if the economic climate did not change.

''It's going to be a slow movement down. There seems to be nothing new on the horizon to give one reason to buy the dollar,'' said Martin Ely, chief interbank dealer for Midland Bank, PLC.

In London, the pound strengthened against the U.S. unit to close at $1.9745, compared with $1.9635 at Thursday's close.

The dollar closed lower in Frankfurt, at 1.5210 German marks against 1.5320. The U.S. unit was also lower in Zurich, at 1.2815 Swiss francs against 1.2925 Thursday.

The dollar also closed lower in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at 5.0930 French francs vs. 5.1335, 31.28 Belgian francs against 31.59, and at 1, 140.25 Italian lire vs. 1,148.

Earlier, the dollar slid against the Japanese yen on disappointments over the U.S. economic outlook and the budget dispute. The dollar closed at 129.30 yen, down 0.65 yen from Thursday's close of 129.95 yen.

''Dealers are now expecting the U.S. economy to head into a recession and are not happy with the confusion over the budget deficit cutting plan,'' said Harumi Ban, a senior manager at Sanwa Bank.

Gold closed unchanged in Zurich at $388 an ounce, but declined in London to $387.25 an ounce from $389.50.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $388.25 an ounce, down from $390.25 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $387.50 an ounce, off from $389.70.

Silver, unchanged in Zurich at $4.35 an ounce, was steady in London at Republic closed cash silver at $4.325 an ounce, up from $4.265. Comex silver closed at $4.306 an ounce, ahead from $4.235.

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#90285u1562 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Stock exchange sales for the week ended October 12.

New York Stock Exchange: Stocks - 780, 919,910 shares, compared with 824,934,860 a week earlier and with 809,208,400 the year before. Warrants - 6,778,100 compared with 5,421,300 a week earlier and with 3,917,700 the year before. Bonds - $210,053,000 compared with $206,492,000 a week earlier and with $200,298,000 the year before.

American Stock Exchange: Stocks - 56,459, 070 shares, compared with 66,455,115 a week earlier and with 64,729,745 the year before. Bonds - $17,749,000 compared with $13,753, 000 a week earlier and with $16,992,000 the year before.

Midwest Stock Exchange: Stocks - 45,618, 000 shares, compared with 48,960,000 a week earlier and with 53,240,000 the year before.

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#90285u1563 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	8	8	4
New lows	238	375	175

	NYSE Issues	Share Volume
Advances	919	123,482,400
Declines	630	51,259,200
Unchanged	425	13,198,400
Total	1,974	187,940,000

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#90285u1564 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended October 12 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	99,459,050	202,222,110	626,000	1,459, 400

Tuesday	145,590,460	188,416,800	839,800	1,351, 700
Wednesday	167,867,260	135,492,560	1,119,500	675,300
Thursday	180,058,770	145,411,530	2,955,900	718, 700
Friday	187,944,300	153,391,860	1,236,900	1,216, 200
Total	780,919,910	824,934,860	6,778,100	5,421, 300

Bonds

	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 23,776,000	$ 31,113,000
Tuesday	$ 38,636,000	$ 39,423,000
Wednesday	$ 47,079,000	$ 52,430,000
Thursday	$ 52,195,000	$ 34,385,000
Friday	$ 48,367,000	$ 49,141,000
Total	$210,000,000	$206,492,000

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#90285u1566 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.92	8.02	8.81
91-day Treasury bills	7.37	7.38	7.83
182-day Treasury bills	7.51	7.55	7.00
1-year Treasury bills	7.58	7.63	7.00
3-year Treasury notes	8.11	8.19	7.62
7-year Treasury notes	8.68	8.79	7.78
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.96	9.09	7.83
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.40	9.50	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	10.00	10.08	9.00
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.37	9.55	8.90
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.60	9.69	8.87
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.65	9.73	9.10
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.62	9.71	9.09

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90285u1568 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (OCT. 12) UPI - Polaroid Corp. won more than $909 million Friday in its instant-photography patent infringement suit against Eastman Kodak Co. - adamage award believed to be by far the largest in such a case in American history.

Judge A. David Mazzone handed down the long-awaited judgment in U.S. District Court Friday afternoon, more than two years after the original case had been decided in Polaroid's favor and upheld.

A separate trial had been held just to decide the amount of the damages owed Polaroid.

In February 1988, Polaroid had asked for $5.7 billion in lost profits and interest from the Rochester, N.Y.-based Kodak.

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#90285u1574 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	327.98	322.93	327.55	up	1.94
Industrial	348.25	342.06	247.72	up	2.88
Finance	328.77	324.69	328.64	up	2.85
Insurance	385.01	380.20	382.39	off	1.19
Utility	453.74	442.46	449.65	off	1.06
Bank	246.08	242.18	244.17	off	0.93
Transport	368.73	361.11	366.32	off	0.35

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-11) 325.61

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	143.32	up	0.91
Industrial Index	137.27	up	1.18
NASDAQ-100 Index	333.43	up	3.04

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share	7.43	up	0.04
Volume	109,565,200	shares	
Advances	825		
Declines	730		
Unchanged	1,240		
Total	2,795		

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#90285u1575 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	1
New lows	117

	AMEX Issues	Share Volume
Advances	266	4,057,800
Declines	273	6,114,600
Unchanged	246	1,827,600
Total	785	12,000,000

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#90285u1589 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	164.88	162.31	164.42	up 2.22
Industrial	203.90	201.77	203.19	up 2.39
Transport	129.03	127.05	129.03	up 1.07
Utility	86.85	85.35	86.65	up 1.68
Finance	106.39	104.61	106.39	up 1.74

Equivalent to a gain of 38 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 187,940,000 shares.

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#90285u1603 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, Egypt (OCT. 12) UPI - Motorcycle-riding assassins wielding machine guns shot and killed Egypt's speaker of Parliament, three bodyguards, a driver and a senior police officer in an attack Friday near the heavily guarded U.S. and British Embassies, officials and witnesses said.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the attack by four men on two motorcycles against a two-car motorcade escorting Speaker Rifaat El Mahgoub, 64, which took place on the Moslem day of prayers.

But Egyptian security officials said they suspected foreign-trained extremists rather than Egyptian Islamic fundamentalists. The slaying came amid fears of extremist attacks by pro-Iraqi groups opposing the presence of a U.S.-led international force deployed after Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

The French-educated Mahgoub was second in command after President Hosni

Mubarak in the absence of a vice president and supported late Egyptian leader Anwar Sadat's 1979 peace treaty with Israel.

Mahgoub will be buried Saturday in Cairo with full military honors, Cairo Radio said.

Mubarak condemned what he described as the ''evil'' slaying but said it would not divert his administration away from its policy of ''protecting the Arab and Islamic world's sacred heritage.''

Earlier this week, Egypt's Interior Minister Lt. Gen. Mohammed Abdulhalim Mussa said security forces had uncovered an Iraqi conspiracy to assassinate senior Egyptian political figures.

In a statement delivered to United Press International, Egypt's Islamic Brotherhood condemned Mahgoub's assassination.

''We received with profound regret the news of the assassination of Speaker Mahgoub and we strongly condemn this criminal act,'' said the statement from the Brotherhood, which is outlawed in Egypt.

''This criminal act is condemned by all religions,'' the statement added.

President Bush telephoned Mubarak to express his regret at the killings, Cairo Radio said, adding that Syrian President Hafez Assad and Jordan's King Hussein also expressed regret at the incident.

At least 30 Iraqi and Palestinian alleged extremists were rounded up on suspicion of belonging to a group headed by notorious Palestinian extremist Abu Nidal. Arrested pro-Iraqi extremists allegedly were receiving arms and explosives from Egyptian fundamentalists in Upper Egypt who are opposed to the presence of U.S. forces in the Gulf region.

Authorities launched a manhunt for the attackers, described as being between 20 and 25 years old, who took part in the 11 a.m. local time shooting on the banks of the River Nile near the Shepheard Hotel.

Police were reported to have surrounded a Cairo suburb near the scene of the attack and making house-to-house searches in the hope of apprehending the killers.

A United Press International reporter near the scene heard gunshots that sounded like cracks of a whip. Mahgoub's body was lying slumped in the back seat of a black 230E Mercedes in a pool of blood, with the bullet-riddled corpse of a bodyguard in the front seat.

The driver of a second car in the speaker's motorcade was killed, along with two other bodyguards. A senior police officer who was standing near the scene

and tried to tackle one of the extremists died later in hospital of gunshot wounds, making him the sixth known victim of the shooting, Cairo Radio said.

One Egyptian official said Islamic fundamentalists may have targeted Mahgoub because he was considered responsible for blocking legislation aimed at strengthening Islamic Sharia law in Egypt.

Egyptian security officials said the investigation was still open.

Earlier this week Moussa said his security forces had uncovered an Iraqi conspiracy to assassinate senior Egyptian political figures.

Egyptian Islamic fundamentalists have been credited with the assasination in 1981 of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat. Fundamentalists were also blamed for assassination attempts between 1987 and 1989 against former Interior Ministers Nabawi Ismail, Hassan Abu Basha and Zaki Badr.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 12) UPI - The Miller Brewing Co. said Friday it would re-open its Trenton, Ohio, brewery in January, creating an undetermined number of jobs.

Construction of the plant was completed in 1984, and it operated at ''far less'' than capacity for a few months before closing, Miller Communications Director Steven Forsyth said.

The Milwaukee-based company said it was reopening the plant because it needed more brewing capacity. The facility will reopen in January and officials said it would begin producing Miller Genuine Draft in June or July.

The number of jobs will be decided in a few months, said Richard Klemp, Miller's director of government affairs.

''We will start small and growth will depend on market demand, which products and how much of each brand are produced,'' Klemp said.

Miller said it was confident it could match or better last year's record-breaking sales of nearly 42 million barrels, a 3.7 percent increase from 1988. It was the fourth consecutive year Miller outpaced the industry growth rate.

Forsyth said the economy and a proposed increase in the beer excise tax could affect production and employment levels.

''We have to watch what's happening around us,'' he said.

Dennis Puffer, previously the plant manager at Miller's Irwindale, Calif.,

brewery, was named plant manager of the Ohio facility, officials said.

Miller is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Philip Morris Companies Inc.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Oct 12, 1990	6	341	181	638	168	987
Oct 5, 1990	12	267	389	433	166	988
Oct 14, 1989	76	59	164	688	153	1005

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(OCT. 12) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Oct 12, 1990	34	728	395	1543	216	2154
Oct 5, 1990	37	482	1140	792	227	2159
Oct 13, 1989	189	151	267	1673	202	2142
Oct 14, 1988	120	67	721	1101	313	2135

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(OCT. 12) UPI - Crude oil prices fell Friday after an unconfirmed report, later denied by the State Department, that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was considering withdrawing his forces from occupied Kuwait.

Prices of U.S. heating oil and unleaded gasoline rose, however, on heavy foreign demand, particularly in Europe where gasoline prices are much higher.

The report of the possible Iraqi pullout drove the prices of stocks up on the New York Stock Exchange where the Dow industrials rose 32.92 points to 2398.02.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery ended the day down 73 cents to $39.69 a barrel after trading as low as $38.50 a barrel. It added $1.70 on the week.

WTI reached a closing record high of $40.42 a barrel Thursday.

Prices were driven down by a late-morning report quoting an exiled Iraqi opposition party as saying Iraq is considering a withdrawal and that a questionnaire was being circulated asking the opinion of the ruling Baath party, said Steve Platt, senior energy analyst with Dean Witter Reynolds in Chicago.

''We think there's no basis to it,'' said State Department spokesman Mark Dillen.

Home heating oil for November delivery, which was down as much as 2.75 cents during the day, finished up 0.51 cent to $1.0536 a gallon on the Merc, a gain of 2.66 cents on the week.

November unleaded gasoline ended the day at 97.13 cents a gallon, up 1.13 cents on the day and 4.49 cents on the week. It sold as low as 94.7 cents a gallon in Friday trading.

''People are very nervous about the products, more so than the crude, '' said James Steel, energy analyst at Refco Inc. in New York.

''There's very heavy demand for U.S. products. A lot of it is going abroad. There's heavy demand in Europe and Asia. Prices are particularly higher in Europe. It's definitely more profitable to ship products out,'' Steel said.

Firm data on U.S. petroleum exports is delayed about two months. But Steel said, ''Sources tell me there are not enough tankers around to take the products out.''

WTI opened at $40.25 on the Merc apparently on the news the speaker of Egypt's Parliament had been assassinated, but began to sell off even before the Iraqi withdrawal report.

Motorcycle-riding assassins wielding machine guns shot and killed Egypt's Parliament Speaker Rifaat el Mahgoub, 64, three bodyguards and a driver in an attack near the heavily guarded U.S. and British embassies in Cairo, officials and witnesses said. There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the attack.

The Merc's week was also marked by seesaw trading in crude:

On Monday, WTI rose 96 cents to $38.95 a barrel in light technical trading with many traders off for the Columbus Day holiday and surged another $1.45 Tuesday to a new Merc record closing high of $40.40 a barrel after Saddam threatened Israel with a new rocket to avenge the slaying of Palestinians in Jerusalem.

Prices fell $1.71 to $38.69 a barrel in a quiet Wednesday when traders took profits after WTI traded at a new intra-day high of $41.15 a barrel. It

rebounded to a new Merc $40.42 closing high after the American Petroleum Institute reported a sharp drop in U.S. supplies for the fourth week in a row as Middle East imports continue to decline.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent, was quoted at $39.50 a barrel, down $2.10 from the same time Thursday and a gain of 50 cents on the week.

The United Arab Emirates's Dubai Light - the key Middle East crude shipped mainly to the Far East - lost 55 cents on the day to $34.65 a barrel, $1.65 higher than the previous Friday.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt delivery WTI fell 80 cents on the day to $39.60 a barrel.

Sun Co., of Radnor, Pa.; Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio unit of USX Corp. and Conoco Inc., the Houston-based subsidiary of Du Pont lowered the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead to $38.50 a barrel for WTI. Sun reduced the posted price 50 cents; Conoco and Marathon reduced it 75 cents.

In London, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher declared that every day Iraqi soldiers remain in Kuwait is ''a new act of war'' and vowed that opposing nations would force Saddam Hussein out of the Persian Gulf state.

''You don't negotiate with someone who marches into another country, devastates it, killing whoever stands in his way. You get him out. You make him pay so he is never in a position to do these things again,'' she said.

In Hot Springs, Va., economists at the semiannual meeting of the Business Council anticipated that oil prices would average about $30 a barrel by the end of this year before slipping to $25 a barrel at the end of 1991.

Mobil Corp. Chairman Allen Murray did not foresee an oil shortage in the near future, but added that ''all bets are off'' should war break out.

Murray said. ''If God cooperates and gives us a normal winter we're going to make it.''

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 12) UPI - The U.N. chief executive warned Friday that the U.N. peace plan on the Cambodian conflict could unravel if the warring factions do not achieve a ''genuine national reconciliation.''

The General Assembly is expected to adopt by consensus Monday a resolution supported by Southeast Asian nations, which endorses the peace plan and the formation of a Supreme National Council to govern Cambodia during the

transition to elections.

''Over the past 12 months, considerable progress has been achieved in the negotiating process and it appears that a solution to this tragic conflict may now be within reach,'' Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar said in a report released Friday.

But Perez de Cuellar also warned the four Cambodian leaders that success of the peace plan, adopted by the Security Council Sept. 20, will hinge on their ability to put longstanding differences behind them.

''Today, the international community is challenging them to put the fundamental interests of their people above all other considerations and to turn their swords into plowshares,'' Perez de Cuellar said.

He called on the Cambodian factions to enter into a voluntary cease- fire and a moratorium on arms supplies to create the atmosphere necessary to complete the negotiating process and deploy the U.N. operation.

Since Vietnam invaded Cambodia in December, 1978, ousting the brutal Khmer Rouge regime of Pol Pot, three factions have been fighting to overthrow the Phnom Penh government led by Hun Sen. Joining the Khmer Rouge are the forces of Prince Norodom Sihanouk and Son Sann, a former Cambodian premier.

Unlike previous efforts, the latest U.N. resolution avoids mentioning issues that have been stumbling blocks in the past.

It does not mention the three-year reign of the Khmer Rouge during which more than one million Cambodians were reported to have died. Nor does the resolution condemn Vietnam, which occupied its Southeast Asian neighbor. Hanoi claims to have withdrawn its troops in September 1989.

Perez de Cuellar said approval of the peace plan by the General Assembly could allow the Paris International Conference on Cambodia to be reconvened ''in the near future'' to adopt a comprehensive political settlement.

In a letter to the United Nations, the three Cambodian resistance forces reiterated their support for the U.N. peace plan to end ''the Vietnamese war of aggression and occupation of Cambodia.''

The letter also declared their support for Sihanouk to lead the 12- member national council. The three resistance forces called for an urgent meeting, possibly in Bangkok, Thailand, to elect a chairman of the national council.

Vietnam, which opposed resolutions on the Cambodian issue for the past 11 years, said it agreed with the consensus resolution. The country's foreign minister Nguyen Co Thach told reporters Friday that all sides in the conflict now have a ''common ground'' for peace in Cambodia.

Thach was in New York to attend the General Assembly session and hold talks with U.S. officials on American MIAs and other bilateral matters.

The resolution is supported by Indonesia, Thailand, the Philippines, Singapore Malaysia and Brunei - the six Southeast Asian Nations Association - that worked together to bring an end to the conflict in Cambodia.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 12) UPI - Ron Harper, who suffered a career-threatening knee injury last season that should sideline him until at least January, Friday reached agreement on a 4-year contract with the Los Angeles Clippers.

The 6-foot-6 guard averaged 22.8 points in 28 games with Los Angeles last year after arriving in a trade with Cleveland. However, his season ended Jan. 16 when he tore the anterior cruciate ligament and cartilage in his right knee in a game against Charlotte.

The Clippers, though, expect Harper to be as strong as ever when he returns. Los Angeles forward Danny Manning has recovered from a similar injury suffered two years ago.

''Before Ron's injury he was having the best all-around season of his career '' General Manager Elgin Baylor said. ''He also provided the team with strong leadership, and we are looking forward to his return.''

Said Harper: ''We have one of the most talented teams in the NBA. I am very pleased with my contract and will be ready to play soon.''

Financial terms of the deal were not announced.

Harper, 26, has averaged 19.8 points a game over his four-year NBA career. The former Miami of Ohio star came to the Clippers last Nov. 16 in a trade that sent Reggie Williams and the rights to draft pick Danny Ferry to the Cavaliers.

Harper is expected to complete his physical examination and sign his contract Saturday. While he mends, No. 1 draft pick Bo Kimble of Loyola Marymount is expected to start in his place at off-guard.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 414.27 up 1.10 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90285u1706 10/12/1990 ~United Press International
MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 12) UPI - The Pillsbury Co. said Friday that a multimillion-dollar settlement of a race discrimination lawsuit filed by former employees received preliminary approval from a federal judge.

The suit was filed in May 1989 and focused primarily on alleged discriminatory practices from 1984 to 1989. Pillsbury said it has taken steps to increase the number of women and minority members in management positions.

The settlement calls for a total of $3.6 million to be allocated over four years to, or for, the benefit of the settlement class. The amount includes attorney fees and expenses.

The settlement of the suit filed by 14 plaintiffs contains no finding by the court or admission by Pillsbury or its parent firm, Grand Metropolitan, that there was any wrongdoing. The settlement is subject to final approval of the court after notice to members of a settlement class of black current and former employees and job applicants, and a fairness hearing before the court.

Pillsbury said it entered into the agreement to avoid further litigation.

''This settlement will enable us to accelerate the momentum which has been building in our cultural diversity efforts since the Grand Met acquisition,'' said Charles Wilson, vice president of cultural diversity and personnel development for Grand Met's food sector. ''The activities that will be funded by this settlement over the next few years will improve opportunities for all employees.''

Paul Sprenger, the lead attorney for the plaintiffs, said he is pleased with the settlement.

''But I am even more pleased by the willingness of Grand Met and Pillsbury to step forward from the moment the case was filed to resolve these important issues in a way that maximizes the long-term benefits to my clients and everyone involved,'' Sprenger said.

The funds would be used to settle the claims of the 14 named plaintiffs and to pay awards to eligible former employees who were involuntarily terminated between 1948 and 1989. The funds also would support the cultural diversity department at Pillsbury. In addition, the settlement will provide money to pay training and education expenses, and dependent tuition scholarships, as well as support career development for eligible current employees.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - Citing national security, the Justice Department said Friday it was standing by its decision not to release secret CIA documents relating to Iran-Contra figure Joseph Fernandez.

Special prosecutor Lawrence Walsh, who is investigating the Iran- Contra scandal, promptly criticized the government for having an ''overprotective attitude'' toward classified information. A federal appeals court has upheld a lower court ruling that Fernandez could not get a fair trial without the documents.

''No matter how the administration rationalizes the non-production of this information,'' Walsh said, ''it shows a lack of concern for applying the rule of law to officials of the intelligence community.''

The disintegration of the Fernandez case would appear to insulate the CIA from serious scrutiny of its role in the worst scandal of the Reagan administration.

Attorney General Dick Thornburgh previously asked that criminal charges against Fernandez, the CIA's station chief in Costa Rica from 1984 to 1986, be dropped because the release of the 5,000 documents would cause ''serious damage to national security.''

Fernandez has argued the classified information is essential to his defense against charges he aided an illegal Nicaraguan Contra supply network directed by White House aide Oilver North at a time when such aid was banned by Congress.

A district court agreed with Thornburgh and dismissed the charges against Fernandez. Walsh appealed that decision to the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which upheld the dismissal Sept. 6.

The appeals court said that denying Fernandez access to the documents had ''deprived (him) of any real chance to defend himself.'' The panel gave Thornburgh until this month to review his position.

In a letter Friday to U.S. District Judge Claude Hilton, Deputy Attorney General James Reynolds reaffirmed Thornburgh's position, saying, ''The potentially serious damage to national security which could result from the disclosure of the ... information is exacerbated by the prospect for additional disclosures at trial.''

Reynolds said that during a Justice Department review of the decision to withhold the documents, Thornburgh met with the heads of government agencies responsible for national security matters.

During that meeting, Reynolds said, ''One senior official described the

potential harm which could result as 'devastating.'''

In a statement Friday, Walsh criticized the government's decision.

''There is no question that the overprotective attitude toward classified information forced the dismissal of this important case,'' he said.

Thornburgh has said the documents sought by Fernandez would detail CIA offices and operations in Latin America. But Walsh has characterized the information as ''fictional secrets'' that have already been made public.

Fernandez was indicted in April 1989 on two counts of making false statements to investigative bodies and two counts of obstructing an investigation into the complex scandal involving secret weapons sales to Iran, efforts to win freedom for American hostages in Lebanon, and financing covert operations to aid the Nicaraguan Contra rebels.

The dismissal of the charges against Fernandez was a blow to Walsh's nearly four-year effort to prosecute government officials suspected of felonies in the worst scandal of the Reagan administration.

On July 20, the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Washington overturned two convictions and set aside a third against North, the former National Security Council member said to have masterminded the Iran-Contra scheme. Walsh appealed the decision.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - An increasing number of women who have been married, and especially poor black women, are having unwanted pregnancies, a government study said Friday.

The National Center for Health Statistics surveyed 8,450 women, categorizing the survey respondents as never married, ''ever married'' - women who are currently married - widowed, divorced or separated who gave birth in the last five years.

The survey of births from 1983 to 1985 found that of the 16.5 million births to ever-married women, 10.3 percent were unwanted - defined as unwanted at the time of conception but not necessarily at the time of birth. In 1973, the figure was 14.3 percent but dropped in 1982 to 7.7 percent.

Those births also were considered mistimed, meaning pregnancy was wanted but at a different time in the woman's life.

Of the 2.5 million births to never-married women, about 25 percent were considered unwanted and about 40 percent mistimed. The percentages have

remained stable since 1973.

''Although it appears that unwanted childbearing has increased among ever-married women since 1982, recent increases have been most pronounced for those living below the poverty line,'' the center said.

From 1982-1988, the proportion of unwanted births among women in poverty rose by almost 75 percent and twice as many black women had unwanted children than white women.

''This is a personal view, but it probably has something to do with a declining percentage of births ending in abortions,'' said the survey's author Dr. Linda Williams. ''I suspect family planning services are not getting to certain populations.''

Jane Johnson, vice president of Planned Parenthood, agreed, and chided the administration's anti-abortion stance.

''Health care for poor people has declined markedly in the last 10 years and that would certainly include access to reproductive health care,'' Johnson said.

''There is no leadership from this administration that puts reproductive health care in the context where it belongs - general health care - making it accessible and permissible. Unwanted pregnancy is one of the most important health care concerns in the country, yet it's not high on the agenda of the current administration and the past administration, and that's a tragedy,'' she said.

The study also found that among ever-married women, older women were more likely to report unwanted births, while younger women were more likely to report mistimed births.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - The Dow industrials plunged this week as nervousness about the budget wrangling in Washington and heightened tensions in the Mideast sent the blue chips to their lowest levels since May of 1989.

The Dow Jones industrial average ended the week on an up note, however, jumping 32.92 to end the week at 2398.02. It tumbled 112.62 for the week, or 4.5 percent. Prior to Friday's trading, the Dow was down 146 points on the week and even with the gains Friday, it finished at its lowest level since May 11, 1989, when it closed at 2382.88.

It was down almost 20 percent since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

Among broader market indexes, Standard & Poor's 500-stock index tumbled 11.20 to end the week at 300.03 and the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 6.28 to close the week at 164.42. During the mid- week plunge in prices, broad market indexes set lows for the year.

Declines pummeled advances 1,543-395 among the 2,154 NYSE issues traded this week. Weekly Big Board volume totaled 780,919,910 shares, compared with 824,934,860 a week earlier and 809,208,400 shares a year ago.

After closing higher in very dull Columbus Day trading Monday, the Dow went on a three-session tumble that took it down almost 159 points to its lowest levels since April 1989.

Surging oil prices and interest rates combined with more saber- rattling from Iraq to drag the Dow industrials to their second-biggest loss of the year Tuesday.

The Dow's 78-point loss was the biggest of the year after a 93-point tumble Aug. 6 and the 11th-worst ever.

Saddam, saying his forces were armed with a new missile capable of striking ''evil targets'' hundreds of miles away, warned Israel Tuesday to evacuate occupied Arab lands or face retaliation for the slayings of Palestinians in Jerusalem. The news sent the benchmark U.S. crude soaring above $40 a barrel.

Wednesday and Thursday saw new 52-week lows for the Dow as it plunged through the 2427 level it had hit Sept. 27, the previous 52-week low.

An unexpected rise in interest rates at the Treasury Department's note auction was blamed for Wednesday's tumble, and Thursday concerns about the government's budget wrangling played havoc with the market.

The administration flipflopped on whether it would go along with a deal with Congress involving a tax hike for the wealthy in return for a capital gains tax cut.

After all that, many analysts termed Friday's rebound merely a reflex bounce after a plunge.

''We're in a nasty, negative, nervous market,'' said Alan Ackerman, senior vice president at Gruntal & Co. ''We've got burdens in the Mideast and high energy prices but I think the biggest burden is the blurred vision of our leaders in Washington,'' he said.

Ackerman was referring to investors' dismay with an economy sliding into recession while the government remained unable to arrive at a deficit-cutting plan. Such a plan might prompt the Federal Reserve to cuts interest rates in a bid to rescue the economy.

''We're a country that doesn't tolerate inaction or indecisiveness and we've had both this week in Washington,'' he said. ''People are now bothered by job security, lower home values, increasing inflation, and the prospect of new taxes they don't quite understand and don't feel they ought to be paying.''

But from a technical standpoint, William Raftery, analyst at Smith, Barney Harris Upham & Co., said he was not too disturbed by the Dow's plunge to new 52-week lows.

''It didn't mean anything, it's only the Dow, the blue chips,'' Raftery said. ''Most stocks had already been hammered and people knew we were in a bear market. That was just the icing on the cake but it does say the wound will take a while to repair.''

On the trading floor this week, Wal-Mart was the most active issue, off 3/4 to 26. Retail stocks were pressured by lackluster September sales reports this week, and while Wal-Mart made the best showing, it was sold earlier in the week in anticiaption of a poor report.

Philip Morris followed, down 3 to 44 3/4. IBM was third, sinking 8 to 100 1/4 in a week that saw reports saying Big Blue would delay its new entries into the laptop computer market.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T added 1/4 to 32, General Electric lost 1 1/4 to 53, and Boeing rose 1 to 44 1/2.

Elsewhere, Motorola tumbled 5 3/4 to 54 3/4 after a disappointing earnings report.

On the American Stock Exchange, the Amex Market Value index sank 12.51 to close Friday at 293.97. Declines pounded advances 638-181 among the 987 issues traded.

Amex volume totaled 56,459,070 shares, compared with 66,455,115 traded a week earlier and 64,729,745 traded in the same week a year ago.

Energy Service led the Amex actives, off 3/4 to 2 7/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index plunged 19.80 to end the week at 327.56.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - The Senate passed a $183.3 billion spending bill for health and other domestic programs Friday that includes only a small fraction of the money authorized by the emergency AIDS-care bill named for

Ryan White.

The Senate voted 76-15 for the legislation appropriating funds during the 1991 fiscal year for the Labor, Education and Health and Human Services departments. The House passed a $170.7 billion bill, and the differences between the two measures will be worked out by a conference committee.

In passing its bill, the Senate, on a voice vote, also approved an amendment requiring that any recipient of money from the appropriation provide parental notification before performing an abortion for a woman under age 18.

Included in the bill is $2.2 billion for Public Health Service AIDS programs. Total federal spending on AIDS treatment, testing and research in 1991 would be $3.9 billion when programs such as Medicaid and Medicare are included.

However, the legislation appropriates only $49 million of the $875 million authorized in the 1991 fiscal year by the bill named for White, the Indiana native who died at age 18 in April after a courageous fight against AIDS.

Ryan White's mother, Jeanne White, in a telephone interview from Cicero, Ind., called the funding level ''a very big disappointment.''

''The country has not woken up to this issue,'' she said. ''I realize that the country has to have a budget and I realize that we have to appropriate money. I'm not saying cut it off from everywhere else. But AIDS is one problem that needs to be looked at.''

The Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resource Emergency (CARE) Act passed both houses of Congress by overwhelming margins and was signed into law with great flourish by President Bush in August.

CARE was intended to help areas hardest hit by the AIDS epidemic by increasing the availability of non-institutional care for people with the disease through grants to cities, states and health-care providers.

The appropriations bill provides $49 million to 16 hard-hit cities, but leaves many CARE Act programs without money - including early intervention and education services.

The bill does include $110 million for state programs that pre-dated the CARE Act and recommends that another $441 million be spent in the 1992 fiscal year for Ryan White programs.

Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., saying the government is spending too much on AIDS in response to ''media hype,'' proposed two amendments seeking to shift funds away from AIDS progams. Both were rejected by decisive margins.

The spending bill had left the Appropriations Committee's health subcommittee

with no new money under the Ryan White measure. The $49 million was added in committee, but an attempt to increase that amount by $338 million failed.

The House spending bill was passed before the Ryan White bill was signed into law and could not include money for the program. But the House created a $2.9 billion reserve for CARE and other programs in the same situation.

Daniel Bross of the AIDS Action Council said AIDS activists will focus their lobbying efforts on persuading the conference committee to shift money from the reserve fund to the Ryan White program.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - Hurricane Lili churned harmlessly off the coast of North Carolina and Virginia Friday, while residents along the lower Atlantic Coast bailed out from soaking rains of two other storms that killed at least nine people.

Lili closely followed Tropical Storm Marco, which swept through Florida and Georgia Thursday with 65-mph winds that left thousands without power, prompted school and court closings and damaged homes and buildings.

The National Weather Service downgraded hurricane warnings for the North Carolina coast and Virginia to tropical storm warnings and watches as Lili veered to the north earlier than expected.

In the Carolinas, six deaths were attributed to the storms. Two were traffic fatalities and four were deaths from a collapsed dam. Georgia authorities reported three fatalities resulting from flooding near Augusta.

Officials ordered the 700 residents of Ocracoke Island, part of North Carolina's Outer Banks chain, to evacuate even though the sun shone as Lili thrashed in the Atlantic.

By early evening, Lili's center was near latitude 31.7 north, longitude 72.1 west, about 315 miles southeast of Cape Hatteras, N.C. It was moving northwest at about 15 mph. The National Weather Service Hurricane Center forecast the storm to gradually take a turn toward the north during the next 24 hours.

A tropical storm warning was in effect from Cape Lookout, N.C., through Virginia Beach, and a tropical storm watch was in effect from north of Virginia Beach to Cape Henlopen, Del.

''If this scenario pans out, the strongest side of the storm will remain over the open waters of the Atlantic,'' the Hurricane Center said in a special weather statement. ''Winds in the watch area will be gusty, but should stay well below hurricane strength.''

The weather service said the greatest impact will be on the marine community, with some beach erosion and lowland coastal flooding expected.

In Norfolk, the Navy was taking precautions related to Lili. The aircraft carrier USS Enterprise was moved from Norfolk Naval Station to Newport News Shipbuilding late Friday morning.

The battleship USS Iowa had been moved to a safer berth Thursday, at Norfolk Naval Shipyard. The Iowa, which will soon be decommissioned, can no longer sail under its own power.

More ships were to be moved as the weather warranted, Navy officials said.

At Nags Head Pier, a popular North Carolina beach area, seas were up only about 4 feet, and rain was yet to fall, but David Grana, a pier employee, said many people were apparently leaving town or busy securing property.

''There's a little rough water out there,'' he said. ''People are taking the warning, a few are evacuating. Everybody is starting to batten down.''

By early afternoon, motorists with RVs or campers already had begun to crowd the main highway leading from Ocracoke Island, in Hyde County.

''I think people in the area are familiar enough with a hurricane,'' said Hyde County Sheriff's Sgt. W.E. Gibbs. ''They know what could happen and what the probabilities are.''

In Dare County, home of Kill Devil Hills where the Wright brothers took their first flight, authorities also asked residents and tourists to leave low-lying areas and mobile homes.

The remnants of Tropical Storm Klaus as well as a cold front moving in from the west soaked most of the East Coast Thursday from Florida to Pennsylvania, dumping more than 7 inches of rain on parts of Georgia.

Augusta, Ga., was saturated with as much as 5 inches of rain overnight, leaving floodwaters 6 feet deep in some areas and at least three motorists dead in nearby Jefferson County. Three neighborhoods had to be evacuated.

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Department said three motorists were killed there as floodwaters swept over highways.

''We've got several fatalities. They were caught in their vehicles and washed away,'' a Jefferson County Sheriff's Department spokesman said.

''It's bad,'' said a Richmond County Sheriff's Department dispatcher. ''There's 2 to 3 feet of water out there and south Augusta is just over-

flooded. When I got out of my car, water was over my ankles. There are at least 50 cars flooded on the highways.''

Augusta Police Sgt. M. D. James said all main streets were flooded but there was no estimate of damages.

''We've had people calling this morning saying their cars are floating off. The water is up past the bumpers, and just about up to the windows in the downtown area,'' James said.

A tornado created by Marco touched down in the Florida panhandle community of Lake City shortly after 4 p.m. EDT. Lake City officials reported minor injuries, damaged mobile homes and downed power lines.

National Weather Service officials said Marco would probably weaken further as it continued northward over the next 24 hours.

Marco and Lili are the 13th and 14th named storms of the Atlantic- Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30. There have not been as many since 1969, when there were 14 named storms.

Marco formed Wednesday morning from a low-pressure system that moved over Cuba Tuesday. That system swallowed up the dissipated remains of Tropical Storm Klaus, which killed six people as it moved over the Lesser Antilles last week and dumped 3 inches of rain on south Florida Tuesday.

In South Carolina, three people drowned and one child was missing when their vehicle was swept away by water from a burst dam. Two highway deaths in North Carolina were blamed on heavy rain.

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UPI - The U.S. budget crisis again dominated the business scene this week, roiling financial markets and contributing in part to a steep three-day selloff in stocks, but oil priced at around $40 a barrel and renewed worries about inflation added to storm clouds hovering over the domestic economy as well.

Congress and the administration lurched toward another showdown over how to cut the size of the federal budget deficit, with political differences seemingly blocking a short-term solution to the question of what combination of taxes and cuts in spending programs should go into a deficit-reduction package.

The possibility of a full-scale shutdown of government services loomed unless President Bush and Congress could resolve their differences.

At week's end, the Democratic-controlled House rallied behind a plan put forth by Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, that would, among other things, raise the top personal income tax rate to 33 percent.

The plan also would impose a 10 percent surtax on taxpayers with earned taxable income over $1 million - about 1.5 million to 2 million people - and would retain ''sin'' and luxury taxes contained in a painstakingly drawn budget summit agreement voted down by the House Oct. 5. The new plan would also scale back a federal tax hike on gasoline to 3 cents a gallon.

Meanwhile, Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, the Texas Democrat who heads the Senate Finance Committee, worked with Republicans on a bipartisan plan more in line with the White House's wishes.

Trying to explain his way out of the tax confusion, Bush went public with his willingness to support a higher maximum tax on high-income Americans in exchange for a sharp cut in the tax on capital gains.

But financial markets were unsettled by Congress and the administration - especially Bush's apparent flip-flop on trading off higher tax rates for a capital-gains cut - at loggerheads.

Key legislators urged conciliation in hammering out an agreement.

Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Calif., chairman of the House Budget Committee, summed up the feeling of many, saying: ''We're now at the end of the rope. And I think this is the point where, frankly, everybody's got to get their act together, both Congress as well the president.''

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(OCT 12) - Bond Calendar - New Issues Scheduled for Public Sale

U.S. GOVERNMENT & FEDERAL AGENCIES (Week of October 15)

Oct. 15 - $18.8 billion in 13-, 26-week T-bills ($1.375 billion new cash).

Oct. 18 - $10.75 billion in 52-week T-bills ($975 million new cash).

Tax-exempt Notes & Bonds (Week of October 15) Courtesy of The Bond Buyer
Issues are to be negotiated unless otherwise noted

$228 million Massachusetts general obligation notes.
$109 million Hoffman Estates, Ill. tax increment revenue bonds.
$91 million Norfolk, Va., general obligation notes (competitive).
$90 million Oregon veteran general obligation notes.

$27 million Nevada bonds (competitive).
$27 million Westfield, Mass. bonds (competitive).
$15 million Carroll County, Md., bonds (competitive).
$14 million Passaic County, N.J., bonds.
$11 million Chesapeake Hospital Authority, Va., hospital facility revenue bonds.

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#90285u1833 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, Ga. (OCT. 12) UPI - President Bush's handling of the Persian Gulf crisis drew high praise from former secretaries of state Friday, although the diplomats disagreed on the tactics necessary for a successful resolution of the conflict.

Six former U.S. foreign policymakers, in a conference at the University of Georgia, debated the timing and conditions under which military force might be used against Iraq.

''I recognize the understandable impatience to lash out before the sanctions are given a chance,'' said Cyrus Vance, who held the post under President Carter. ''There's a great deal of talk about using the military option. I think that would be a grave mistake. We've got to see whether the embargo will work.''

Alexander Haig and George Shultz, who held the post in the Reagan administration, said military action might be needed for the United States to achieve its objectives in the crisis.

Shultz took the firmest stance, saying resolution of the crisis must include elimination of Iraq's chemical weapons.

''The weapons of mass destruction have to be dealt with and destroyed,'' Shultz said. ''If you don't remove the chemical weapons capability from Iraq ... it's a great failure.''

Haig argued the first priority must remain Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

''I think it would be a mistake to suddenly escalate the conditions that we are seeking to achieve, such as the overthrow of Saddam Hussein, or the removal of all of his chemical or nuclear potential,'' Haig said. ''It doesn't mean that this should not be an implicit goal of American foreign policy, or United Nations or Pan-Arab policy.

''It must be and will be ultimately,'' Haig added. ''But the first task is to have the U.N. resolutions abided by, to get him out of Kuwait and return it to the legitimate rulers of that country.''

Other former secretaries warned the United States must take into account the positions of other nations that have contributed to the political pressure and economic sanctions against Iraq.

''The coalition rallied around the invasion of Kuwait.... They did not give us a blank check for our broader objectives,'' said Edmund Muskie, who served in the Carter administration. ''We have to keep our focus on the points agreed upon earlier. Chemical weapons were not part of the original objective.''

Dean Rusk, a professor of international law at the University of Georgia who served as secretary of state under Presidents Kennedy and Johnson, joined the others on the panel in urging that economic sanctions be allowed to take their course.

''The other alternatives to me are unacceptable or very difficult,'' Rusk said. ''We learned a long time ago the American people are very impatient about war. When we get into a war they want it resolved very quickly. President Bush will have to take that into account if he decides to do anything other than what he is doing.''

William Rogers, who held the post in the Nixon administration, said the United States must avoid repeating the perception of the Vietnam War, which ''looked like a hopeless mess.''

''It looked like we were not sure what our objectives were,'' Rogers said. ''We have to state our objectives to begin with and let the American people know what we hope to achieve.''

But Muskie said questions about America's goals in the Gulf will arise ''no matter how clearly our country's leadership undertakes to state the purposes.''

''We thought we were there to deter Saddam Hussein from invading Saudi Arabia; now we're beginning to hear people say we may have to attack Saddam Hussein in order to get rid of him,'' Muskie said. ''If we use an option other than that of deterring Saddam Hussein from crossing the border to attack Saudi Arabia, webetter be darn sure that we state clearly what our next objectiveis and why.''

The former foreign policymakers participated in the conference as part of the 8th Annual Report of Former Secretaries of State, sponsored by the Southern Center for International Studies. Their tenure ranges from 1961, when Rusk took office under President John Kennedy, to 1989, when Shultz left office at the close of the Reagan administration.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 12) UPI - An elderly woman who pleaded guilty to the

attempted murder of her husband at a convalescent home was placed on five years' probation Friday after her spouse asked that she not be sentenced to prison.

Superior Court Judge Michael Harwin granted Carrie Adams, 66, 17 days credit for the time she spent in custody following her arrest May 31, the day of the shooting.

Using a .32-caliber pistol, Adams shot her husband, Eugene, 68, in the back of the head during a visit to the Vernon Convalescent Hospital, where he was a patient. Adams then shot herself once in the head. The bullet remains lodged in her neck.

Deputy District Attorney Thomas Herman said that Adams shot her husband out of fear that if she died or became incapacitated, there would be no one to care for her spouse.

Herman said that Adams was suffering from depression apparently caused by her own failing physical condition - she had undergone open- heart surgery - and medication she was taking for various ailments.

In deciding against prison for Adams, the judge took into account her husband's request not to have her incarcerated and the couple's desire to resume living together once he is released from the hospital.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - The U.S. Treasury bond market staged an end-of-week rally on a rumor of Iraqi peace feelers in the Persian Gulf.

But there was little else to encourage bond buying, given the mainly upward path oil prices have taken in recent days and the prospect for an extended Washington battle over how to reorder the nation's finances.

Even mounting signs that recession is grasping the economy, usually a bullish development for fixed-income government securities, was not drawing investors into the market in any significant numbers, analysts said.

That left the market nervous and susceptible to the reports saying President Saddam Hussein of Iraq had floated the idea of pulling out of Kuwait with some members of his Baath Party, and sounded out the Soviets on terms. The U.S. State Department later said the report had no substance.

Peaceful resolution of the Mideast crisis, opened Aug. 2 with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, would likely trigger a hefty drop in oil prices from their current level of nearly $40 a barrel. In turn, that would probably ease bond market inflation fears and give prices an upward push.

''There was no confirmation'' of the rumors, said money market analyst Scott Winningham of Stone & McCarthy Research Associates Inc., a Princeton, N.J. financial markets advisory firm, ''but we were able to trade strong for the rest of the day and close substantially higher.''

The benchmark 30-year bond, the 8 3/4 of 2020, ended at 97 25/32 to yield 8.96 percent, compared with 99 17/32 and 8.79 percent a week earlier. That made for a loss of 1 3/4 points, or $17.50 for every $1,000 face value.

But the long bond price was up more than a point from the previous day, when the security closed at 96 21/32 to yield 9.07 percent.

Winningham said, however, that the rally seemed limited to dealers and other market professionals. On the rumors, participants rushed to cover their short positions - strategic commitments to sell bonds made earlier in expectation of reaping profits when their prices fell.

Until that flurry, though, it was a bleak week.

Douglas Schindewolf, a Smith Barney analyst, reported in the firm's Credit Market Comment newsletter: ''The weight of additional increases in oil prices and the appearance of disarray in the budget process put significant downward pressure on securities prices this week.''

Disappointing results in Wednesday's Treasury auction of $8.5 billion in new seven-year bonds, in which Japanese and other foreign investors were virtually absent, depressed prices and pushed the long-bond yield over 9 percent.

Investors were still dismayed by the inability of the Congress and the White House to move ahead on trimming the deficit, but Winningham said the market no longer was obsessed with the fiscal impasse. ''People are disgusted, but it's priced in'' to security rates, he said.

However, Washington maneuvering could prove disruptive to the market over the next week if Congress and the White House lock horns.

The Treasury is tentatively scheduled to auction $10.75 billion in one-year bills on Thursday. But the sale cannot proceed unless Congress clears the way by raising the statutory debt limit.

Dealers will not trade the issue in advance of the auction on a ''when-issued'' basis unless a budget accord is passed or the government approves separate legislation enabling the government to issue more debt.

Ten-year Treasury notes ended at 99 18/32 to yield 8.81 percent, against 100 21/32 and 8.65 percent the week before. Five-year notes ended at 100 09/32 to yield 8.42 percent, compared with 100 28/32 and 8.28 percent.

Three-year Treasury notes closed at 99 23/32 to yield 8.11 percent, compared with 100 02/32 and 7.97 percent seven days before. Two-year notes were at 100 12/32 to yield 7.91 percent, vs. 100 18/32 and 7.81 percent.

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#90285u1926 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - President Bush today telephoned Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak to convey his condolences over the assassination of the Egyptian parliament speaker. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the president was ''shocked by this blatant and senseless act of violence.''

Lebanese renegade General Michel Aoun says he will ignore today's assassination attempt against him and continue his power struggle against Lebanon's pro-Syrian president Elias Hrawi. Authorities arrested an 18-year-old suspect.

Israeli police today fired water cannons to disperse Palestinian youths after several thousand Moslems attended Friday prayers at Jerusalem's Temple Mount. Police are under orders to limit access to Jerusalem from the occupied territories.

Los Angeles officials report two separate highway shooting incidents. A 19-year-old Pomona man was killed near the Foothill Freeway... less than one hour after another couple's car was sprayed with gunfire on another freeway.

The House today rejected further defense cuts and passed a 268- BILLION-dollar Pentagon funding bill that complies with the House's new budget plan. Lawmakers defeated three separate attempts to slash the measure.

The United States today conducted its third test of a nuclear weapon since the beginning of the Persian Gulf crisis. The weapon... with a yield of 20 to 150 kilotons... was detonated two-thousand feet under the Nevada desert.

A dozen Philadelphia utilities, universities and other businesses pledged today to pre-pay more than 30-Million dollars in taxes to help the city shore up its faltering finances. They hope the move will help restore investor confidence in the city.

Three University of Tennessee football players have been suspended from the team indefinitely while authorities investigate sexual assault charges against them. A female student claims the players assaulted her in the athletes' dormitory.

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BONN, GERMANY (OCT. 12) UPI - A gunman shot and seriously wounded German Interior Minister Wolfgang Schaueble following a political meeting in southwestern Germany, an official spokesman said early Saturday.

The spokesman said the attack was not believed to have been carried out by an extremist organization. A police spokesman said a 37-year-old suspect believed to be associated with ''the drug scene'' was arrested following the shooting.

Schaueble was shot after he addressed a meeting of Chancellor Helmut Kohl's conservative Christian Democratic Union in southwestern Germany.

The gunman fired three shots, two of which hit the 48-year-old Schaueble in the head, the police spokesman said. The CDU politician was immediately taken to hospital and was said to be out of immediate danger, police said.

A security official who jumped in front of Schaueble to shield him from the shots was also wounded, police said.

The incident occurred about 10 p.m. Friday in Oppenau, in the south of what was West Germany until the Oct. 3 unification. Police said the gunman stood up and fired at the minister at the end of the CDU meeting.

Because the interior ministry is responsible for ''anti-terrorism'', Schaueble was considered one of the prime targets of extremists in Germany.

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PARIS (OCT. 12) UPI - The United States plans to launch a four-day blitz against Iraq on a moonless night in November, taking advantage of nocturnal vision equipment to overcome Iraqi forces but taking U.S. casualties of at least 20,000, a French news magazine reported Friday.

L'Express magazine said it had learned of the plan, codenamed ''Operation Night Camel,'' from an unidentified aide of U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney.

The Pentagon declined comment on the report.

In the first stage of the operation, low-flying Stealth F117-A bombers would knock out radar systems of Iraqi anti-aircraft batteries, L'Express said.

U.S. aircraft including F-15s based at Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, and FA- 18s, A-6 Intruders and A-7 Corsairs from the aircraft carrier USS Independence would then take out Iraq's ground-to-ground Scud and Al- Hussein intermediate range missiles and attack air bases where Iraqi Sukhoi, Tupolev and Mirage fighters and bombers are housed, L'Express quoted the aide as saying.

''The whole success of the enterprise depends on annihilating the Iraqi air

force in the first few hours,'' the aide was quoted as saying.

B-52 bombers from the Indian Ocean base of Diego Garcia would launch cruise missiles to destroy eight key Iraqi air bases in the desert near the Saudi frontier.

The first stage destroying Iraq's air power would last just six hours, according to L'Express.

The second stage would involve destruction of Iraq's industrial- military complex under a carpet of bombs and cruise missiles. Chemical and atomic plants would be destroyed along with the eight command bunkers in a Baghdad suburb where Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would be lurking.

Also destroyed during this stage would be the 90-mile highway from the southern port of Basra to Kuwait City. U.S. airplanes also would wipe out Iraq's T-55, T-62 and T-72 tanks.

Within 24 hours after the start of the blitz, Iraq would be ''militarily and economically ruined.''

The third stage involves a ''surgical operation'' to detach Kuwait and Iraq. Green Berets and Navy undercover SEAL units sent behind Iraqi lines in the first hours of the offensive will disrupt enemy communications.

A short time later, 200 M-1 Abrams tanks will pierce the Iraqi- Kuwaiti frontier ''Rommel-Style'' at the wady of Al-Batia north of the Saudi town of Hafr al-Batin, says L'Express.

In the fourth and final stage, Kuwait would be reclaimed. A force of 11,000 marines will land on northern Kuwaiti shores while 45,000 other Marines, three U.S. Army mechanised infantry brigades as well as 4,000 French troops and 6,000 British ''Desert Rats'' will make up a pincer movement on the southern frontier of Kuwait, L'Express said.

That force will open the way for an Arab force of 50,000 Egyptians, Syrians and Moroccans who will complete liberation of Kuwaiti territory and mopping up said the magazine.

Night Camel would cost at least 20,000 casualties, according to L'Express. The magazine also questioned whether the purported plan underestimated resistance by Iraqi troops and whether Western forces would be ready if Saddam uses chemical weapons.

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SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (OCT. 12) UPI - Rebels may be preparing to launch a

major military offensive in the capital in early November, Salvadoran Defense Minister Col. Rene Emilio Ponce said Friday.

''There are certain indications that preparations are being made for strong military action in the capital,'' Ponce said. ''And we are sure the guerrillas do not want peace.''

Government and rebel negotiators are scheduled to meet Nov. 4 in Mexico City for the sixth round of U.N.-mediated peace talks. The last five rounds stalemated on the issues of army reform and demilitarization.

Ponce said a hard-line faction of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, that does not believe in the peace talks is planning the offensive. Rebels launched a massive attack on San Salvador last November.

President Alfredo Cristiani, however, said the government remains firm in its position to find a peaceful solution to the decade-long civil war.

''We are always willing to reach agreements,'' Cristiani said. ''We are maintaining a flexible attitude and are calling on the FMLN to change their instransigent position.''

Rebels have rejected government proposals to negotiate an agreement only after they agree to a unilateral cease-fire.

FMLN leaders did not immediately respond to Ponce's allegations, but said in a broadcast on clandestine rebel Radio Venceremos early Friday that they are wholly committed to reaching a negotiated end to the war.

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#90285u2031 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 12) UPI - House Ways and Means Committee Democrats completed their own budget plan Friday, an admittedly partisan document that scraps gasoline tax increases and creates a capital gains tax break intended for the middle class, not the rich.

The move was partly geared to stick it to House Republicans, who remained undecided Friday on whether to offer their own alternate plan next week when the House is scheduled to debate a deficit reduction bill that implements a broader budget outline passed by Congress earlier this week.

President Bush opposes the Democratic plan. It was his indecisiveness over whether to accept a deal to trade an increase in income tax rates for the rich for the capital gains tax cut he wants that prompted the Democrats to craft their own package.

''We reject the Ways and Means Democratic plan that takes us back to the

tax-and-spend days and does not reflect the bipartisan agreement,'' Bush spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said at the White House.

Later Friday, members of the tax-writing Senate Finance Committee tentatively agreed upon their own budget plan, although they avoided the issues of capital gains and an increase in the tax rate paid by the wealthiest Americans.

The committee agreed to a plan that featured a 9 1/2-cent, phased-in tax on gasoline. The plan also added airplanes to the luxury tax proposal included in last week's ill-fated budget accord, and cut Medicare by $48.9 billion, down from the $60 billion reduction proposed in the defeated budget plan, said a Senate aide. The committee was scheduled to vote formally on the plan late Friday.

The plan adopted by Democrats on the tax-writing Ways and Means Committee is expected to be offered next week as an alternative to a less specific plan approved Wednesday by the full committee.

The party proposal would raise income tax rates for the richest Americans from the current 28 percent to 33 percent, impose a surtax on those making more than $1 million a year, and cut Medicare by $42 billion over five years instead of by the $60 billion called for by a defeated bipartisan budget plan.

On Thursday, Democrats reduced a proposed gasoline tax increase from 9 cents per gallon to 3 cents. On Friday they decided to eliminate all gasoline tax increases.

To help make up for the lost revenue, Democrats proposed delaying for one year the annual inflation adjustment of income tax brackets and personal tax exemptions.

And they reduced by $18 billion - from $60 billion over five years proposed by the bipartisan budget summit and rejected by the House to $42 billion - the amount of cuts from Medicare. The amount borne by Medicare beneficiaries in the form of annual premium and deductible increases would drop from $28 billion over five years to $10 billion in the Democratic plan.

Democrats rejected the kind of capital gains tax cut sought by Bush - a big tax break on profits from the sale of assets, such as stocks, bonds and real estate - opting instead for a plan aimed at helping the middle class.

The Democratic plan would allow an individual to exclude from counting as income 50 percent of their long-term capital gain, up to a lifetime cap of $200,000 in gains. That cap is equal to a $100,000 lifetime tax exclusion.

The exclusion would apply to assets held by individuals for at least a year, but would not include publicly traded securities and collectibles.

In addition, Democrats proposed allowing taxpayers to earn $1,000 in capital gains each year tax-free on assets held at least a year, but the break would be phased out for those with incomes between $100,000 and $150,000. Chairman Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., of the Ways and Means Committee defended the proposal as a ''bold package'' that will help emphasize differences between the two political parties.

''I think for the first time they (the American people) are seeing the difference between the Democratic Party and what they want to do and the Republican Party and who they want to protect,'' Rostenkowski said.

Asked why Democrats proposed eliminating the gasoline tax increases, Rostenkowski said, ''This is a political atmosphere in which we're working and many members felt that going to the polls in several days, they feel they'd be exposed to some criticism.''

''This is designed both as a substantive and a political package,'' added Rep. Thomas Downey, D-N.Y., a member of the Ways and Means panel.

The pressure would be on Republicans because by opposing the Democratic plan they might be forced to propose instead tax increases or spending cuts that fall more heavily on the middle class and less heavily on the rich than would the Democratic plan.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - Egyptian officials say they believe foreign-trained terrorists were responsible for today's assassination of the country's number two official. Parliament speaker Rifaat El Maghoub was gunned down by four machine-gun-wielding men on two motorcycles. Three bodyguards and a driver also were killed in the attack, which took place near the heavily guarded U-S and British embassies in Cairo.

A would-be assassin tried to shoot Christian Lebanese General Michel Aoun today during a speech at the renegade leader's enclave in Beirut. The bullet missed Aoun and struck one of his bodyguards. The gunman... identified as 18-year-old Francoise Hallal... was immediately taken into custody by other bodyguards and is being interrogated. Aoun says the attack was NOT the first against him and won't be the last.

The White House is once again threatening to veto a revised civil rights bill that it says will lead to unacceptable job quotas. The Bush administration today rejected the proposed revisions. But backers of the legislation say they believe they have enough votes to hand President Bush the first veto over-ride of his presidency. A veto of the bill before the November elections would do great harm to the Republican party.

Federal authorities say they have begun a search over the polar ice north of Alaska for a wildlife research plane that disappeared over the Arctic Ocean. The plane vanished 280 miles northwest of Point Barrow... the northernmost point of land in the United States. Three people... including the pilot... were aboard the chartered U-S Fish and Wildlife Service aircraft.

A federal judge in Miami today upheld a new drunken driving law that allows police to suspend the licenses of drivers who either fail or refuse to take a roadside sobriety test. U-S District Judge Federico Moreno says the appeal against the law lacked standing because it did NOT include someone who had been charged under the law. American Civil Liberties Union lawyers argue that the law deprives drivers of a fair hearing.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - There's been NO claim of responsibility for the assassination of Egypt's speaker of parliament in Cairo today. The machine-gun attack by four men on motorcyles also left three bodyguards dead... as well as a driver and a senior police officer. Egyptian security officials suspect foreign-trained terrorists- NOT Egyptian Islamic fundamentalists- in the deadly attack.

Renegade Lebanese General Michel Aoun narrowly escaped assassination today while making a speech outside his bunker in Beirut. An 18-year-old man who among thousands of demonstrators fired at Aoun, but his aim was jostled by others nearby and he missed. A bodyguard wounded in the attack died later in a hospital. The gunman was apprehended. Aoun said he would lead Christian resistance to an expected Syrian-backed attack- in his words- ''ignoring what happened.''

About one-thousand Palestinians staged a sit-in at the International Red Cross building in Amman, Jordan, today... demanding Palestinians be armed in the streets of Jordan and the occupied territories. Said one Jordanian legislator- ''You have every right to be prepared to defend yourselves against Israel and the U-S.''

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(OCT. 12) UPI - A California white supremacist leader admitted today in a Portland, Oregon, courtroom that he instructed three recruits in the racist teachings of Tom Metzger- only hours before the three beat and kicked a black man to death. Metzger and his son, John, face a 10-Million-dollar civil suit for allegedly inciting the killing. Allen David Mazzella made the charges today against the Metzgers as a witness for the black man's family without immunity from prosecution.

Residents of the North Carolina and Virginia coasts- who thought themselves lucky when Tropical Storm Marco swept through Georgia and Florida yesterday- are now bracing for Hurricane Lili. Marco's 65-mile- an-hour winds left seven people dead. Hurricane Lili is carrying 75- mile-an-hour winds. Early this evening, it was 315 miles southeast of Cape Hattaras, North Carolina, and moving northwest at about 15 miles an hour.

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#90285u2312 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - Los Angeles police believe a 20-year-old Vietnamese man killed in a car on a highway this morning was NOT a victim of a random freeway shooting. The car's four other Vietnamese passengers originally told police the man was shot and killed in a random act of violence. But police now believe one of the passengers shot the man and are holding him without bail on suspicion of murder.

A Panamanian tabloid has come up with a nifty way to boost circulation. It's offering an all-expense-paid trip to Florida next year for the trial of deposed Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega. The winner will be the person who best details the corruption and abuses of the Noriega regime in a 12-page, double-spaced essay.

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(OCT. 12) UPI - The Bush administration says it rejects a Democratic budget plan completed today by members of the House Ways and Means Committee. The White House says the measure would return to the tax-and-spend days and does NOT reflect a bipartisan agreement. .

The Democratic measure eliminates gasoline tax increases and creates a capital gains tax break for the middle class, NOT the rich. The proposal would raise income tax rates for the richest Americans from 28 to 33 percent. .

The Senate Finance Committee tentatively agreed on its own budget plan tonight. Members avoided the issues of capital gains and income tax hikes for the rich, but the document does include a gas tax and ''luxury'' taxes. It also cuts Medicare by 11-BILLION dollars less than the defeated budget package.

Egypt's speaker of the Parliament will be buried tomorrow with full military honors. The Egyptian government's number-two man was killed today by machine gun-wielding assassins in Cairo. Five other people died in the attack.

Congress and President Bush could lock horns again in another veto fight. Bush is threatening to veto a revised civil rights bill... but supporters of the changes say they believe they have enough votes to override a veto.

A federal judge in Boston today handed the Polaroid Corporation the largest patent infringement award in U-S history in a long-running fight with East Kodak over instant photography. Polaroid won 909-and-a-half- Million dollars, but says it deserves more than five-and-a-half-BILLION dollars.

Economists for the Business Council... the upper crust of corporate America... say there's a significant chance the U-S economy will fall into a recession. They also predict very weak economic growth through the middle of next year.

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#90285u2479 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - Six former secretaries of state had high praise for President Bush's handling of the Persian Gulf crisis today during a conference at the University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia. But the former leaders disagreed on how to achieve a successful resolution of the conflict.

Financial disclosure records revealed today show pro-business Senate candidates were outpacing House candidates in the race for donations from corporate political action committees. Senators saw their PAC coffers grow about 20 percent between July and September.

The Pillsbury Company says a federal judge in Minneapolis gave preliminary approval to a multi-Million-dollar settlement of a race discrimination lawsuit filed by former employees. The settlement calls for Pillsbury to pay more than three-and-a-half-Million dollars.

The Justice Department says it's working on a civil suit to be filed against Exxon because of the oil giant's devastating spill in Alaska last year. Officials declined to say when and where the suit will be filed.

A government study says the number of UNwanted pregnancies among women who have been married is on the rise. It found that to be especially true among poor African-American women. An author of the survey said it may be attributed to the declining abortion rate.

A Los Angeles judge today placed an elderly woman on five years' probation for the admitted attempted murder of her husband whil she visited him at a convalescent home. The man requested that his wife NOT be sent to jail.

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#90285u2562 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - Democrats who control the House Ways and Means Committee have thrown down the gauntlet to House Republicans over the new budget agreement. The committee presented a plan today nixing the proposed increase in the gas tax and allowing a capital gains tax cut only if it benefits the middle class. The White House immediately rejected the plan. Members of the Senate Finance

Committee tentatively agreed on their own plan tonight.

Congressional Democrats claim they may have the votes to override a presidential veto on the new civil-rights bill. The legislation is designed to address Supreme Court rulings diminishing civil rights. The Democrats believe if the president vetoes the measure, it will cost Republicans in the November elections.

The Polaroid Corporation today won the largest patent-infringement judgment in U-S history. A federal judge in Boston awarded Polaroid 909-point-five-Million dollars in a long-running suit against Eastman Kodak concerning an instant-photography patent. The ruling disappointed some Wall Street analysts, who had expected an award as high as two-point- five-BILLION.

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#90285u2563 10/12/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 12) UPI - A dozen major Philadelphia businesses... including utilities and universities... are trying to shore up the city's shaky finances by pre-paying 30-Million dollars in taxes. That will cover city expenses for only about three days at the current level, with the city expected to run out of cash in December. The companies explain the gesture is meant to show- quote- ''we have confidence in Philadelphia.''

Western diplomats fear the fighting in Rwanda is developing into an UNwinnable civil war. Rwandan government radio claims the rebels retreated from a town 40 miles northeast of the capital. But Belgian media say that report is outdated, and that the troops had captured the town in a counter-attack... killing 57 Zairean soldiers sent to Rwanda last week to shore up the government.

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#90285x0283 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 12) UPI - The nationwide cutbacks at USAir apparently will cost Pittsburgh about 600 of 12,500 local jobs.

Pittsburgh is ''less likely to feel the impact of the leveling out'' of the airline than some other cities, USAir's newly elected president, Seth Schofield, said Friday.

The airline has nearly completed plans announced in August to eliminate 3,600 of its 54,000-member workforce. Maintenance workers are exempt from layoff but managers, pilots, flight attendants, customer and fleet service agents are losing jobs.

The cuts at Pittsburgh will total less than 5 percent. Until now, USAir has regularly expanded employment at Greater Pittsburgh International Airport, adding nearly 2,900 positions since the end of 1988.

The operations at Greater Pitt are USAir's second-largest hub.

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#90285x1477 10/12/1990 ~Comtex

NEW YORK (OCT. 12) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday unchanged to 30 points lower.

NY Cotton Exchange - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	73.45	73.49	72.50	73.08	73.29
Mar	73.94	73.99	73.20	73.50	73.80
May	74.32	74.38	73.75	73.92	74.18
Jly	74.51	74.51	73.90	74.10	74.37
Oct	68.50	....	....	69.13	69.30
Dec	68.00	68.00	67.65	67.70	67.85
Mar	68.50	68.50	68.50	68.50	68.50

Estimated sales: 6,500 contracts
Open interest: 38,735 up 356
The World spot average: 70.52

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#90286d0830 10/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (OCT. 13) - Lebanese Justice Minister Edmond Rizk on Saturday dismissed a French offer of political asylym to renegade military leader Michel Aoun, saying he had no right to it. "Justice will decide if he (Aoun) can leave Lebanon," said Rizk.

"For political asylum to take place, the crime must be political. But General Aoun is wanted for common law crimes and has already been tried (in absentia) for embezzlement," he said.

The government earlier held an emergency session and entrusted Rizk with the Aoun case, amid reports that several politicians here have asked that the general be tried for "crimes against the Lebanese people."

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said in Paris that his country would grant the general political asylum, and was currently negotiating a safe passage for him in talks with Syrian and Lebanese officials.

General Aoun has been holed up since morning in the French embassy southeast of here, awaiting evacuation and political asylum in France after a Syrian-led attack on his headquarters forced his surrender.

But according to Lebanese law he cannot leave for France unless the

authorities here agree to grant him safe passage. "Of course, we respect the diplomatic immunity of the French embassy but Gen. Aoun cannot leave Lebanese territory without our agreement," said Rizk. He stressed, however, that Lebanon "does not wish to trigger a dispute with France" over the Aoun case.

Syrian troops and members of the Syrian military intelligence service were meanwhile surrounding the embassy in Mar Takla, southeast of Beirut.

-30- 1809

#90286d9540 10/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (OCT. 13) - Almost 2,000 Romanian students demonstrated in Bucharest city center Saturday demanding release of people imprisoned after riots in June. Almost 1,000 people were imprisoned after anti-government riots in mid-June left six dead and 502 injured. Of those jailed, 130 are still being held.

The demonstrators, who gathered on Opera Square near the city center, shouted anti-government and anti-communist slogans, screaming "down with Iliescu, down with communism" and "Iliescu is a second Ceausescu."

They were referring to Ion Iliescu, the Romanian president, and Nicolae Ceasescu, the dictator who was toppled from power and executed with his wife Elena on December 25, 1989.

Meanwhile, some 300 people answered a call by four small opposition political parties to march through the streets of the capital and urge the release of the 130 prisoners.

Marian Munteanu, the student leader imprisoned on June 18 after being beaten by pro-Iliescu miners and freed on August 2, denounced the "humiliating conditions of detention" and demanded freedom for those still being held. "We are not frightened. The only thing which worries us is lies. All sacrifices must be made to introduce democracy, freedom and justice," he said.

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#90286d9550 10/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (OCT. 13) - Liberians are continuing to escape war and famine by pouring into neighboring countries, where their number has nearly reached 600,000, a United Nations official said Saturday.

Cahn Nguyen-Tang, in charge of the Ivory Coast office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, said the number in Ivory Coast had reached 190,000 and would soon top 250,000. In Sierra Leone, 100,000 Liberians have sought refuge, and in Guinea, the figure has reached 300,000.

Nguyen-Tang said the HCR operation is fast running out of money. "We have

budgeted funds for 150,000 refugees," he said. He said the current funding would last through November and the Geneva-based organization will launch a fresh appeal to donor nations in late October.

Most of the refugees belong to the Krahn tribe of former president Samuel Doe. The rebel National Patriotic Front of Charles Taylor, which controls most of Liberia, has recruited principally among the Gio and Mano tribes. About 100,000 of the Liberians in Ivory Coast have settled near the border, where the Ivorians belong to the same tribe and speak the same language.

He said the refugees, 70 percent of whom are women and children, receive a daily ration of a pound of rice. "The men are fighting or are dead," Nguyen-Tang added.

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#90286d9580 10/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 13) - India announced on Saturday that it will regulate exports of chemicals that can be used to make weapons, in a move apparently prompted by the Gulf crisis.

The government has prepared a list of chemicals which would require prior clearance from authorities before being exported, a ministry of external affairs spokesman said here.

Detailed rules for examining these "dual purpose" chemicals before being cleared for exports and at the manufacturing levels have been drawn up to prevent misuse, he said. India had always been firmly committed to completely abolishing chemical weapons, he added. He did not comment on foreign press reports that chemicals from India were reaching Iraq for use in weapons.

The reports have said that several Western states have contacted New Delhi on the issue, especially after Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and its threats to use chemical weapons.

The spokesman said the list of dual-purpose chemicals had been prepared according to guidelines being determined by the conference on disarmament in Geneva and taking into account the structure of the domestic chemical industry.

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#90286d9880 10/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LA PAZ (OCT. 13) - A massive country-wide search for assailants who bombed a residence of the U.S. Embassy's Marine guards here this week has netted eight suspects and a blood-stained getaway car, authorities said Saturday.

Some five thousand police agents were searching for members of a leftist group calling itself the Nestor Paz Zamora Commission (CNPZ), which claimed

responsibility for the attack, a police spokesman said.

The group is named after Bolivian President Jaime Paz Zamora's brother, a leftist militant who was killed in a 1970 guerrilla-army clash. A police guard was killed in the attack late Wednesday and another was wounded. None of the Marines were hurt.

La Paz Police Chief Jose Parada said at least one of the attackers who hurled a bomb at the door of the Marines' residence from a passing car was apparently wounded as investigators found traces of blood in the automobile used in the attack. With that lead, he added, "sooner or later we should get them."

Police said eight suspects had been arrested Friday in the police dragnet, including two university students - one of them a Chilean national - with alleged ties to the CNPZ.

President Jaime Paz Zamora, attending the funeral Friday of the dead police guard, said he felt "personally touched (by the attack) because the terrorist group bears my brother's name."

In addition to the attack on the U.S. Marines, the CNPZ also claimed responsibility for a second bomb blast Wednesday night that destroyed a monument to former U.S. president John F. Kennedy near the city's main train station and slightly injured two passers-by. The police spokesman said Saturday that the U.S. Consulate here received several telephone bomb threats Friday, but all had turned out to be hoaxes.

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#90286d9980 10/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 13) - Turkish President Turgut Ozal arrived here Saturday on the first leg of a five-day, five-nation tour of the Middle East, Saudi press agency SPA said.

Ozal said before leaving Istanbul earlier in the day that his tour to Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Egypt and Syria would be the occasion to discuss Turkey's position in the Gulf crisis. He was welcomed at the airport here by King Fahd, Crown Prince Abdallah, Defence Minister Prince Sultan, and other ranking officials.

Bilateral relations, notably economic, are likely to be at the center of Ozal's talks with his respective counterparts. Observers estimate that Turkey's strict observance of the United Nations' Security Council embargo against Iraq is likely to cost it four to five billion dollars in 1990.

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#90286e0032 10/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (OCT. 14) EFE - Colombian left-wing rebels killed four Ecuadorean soldiers, wounded six others and are believed to be holding 14 more captive after an ambush on an Army anti-drug patrol along the border, the Colombian Army said Saturday.

Officials of the Third Army Brigade in the city of Cali said the attack occurred Thursday along the San Miguel river which divides the two countries.

Ecuadorean military sources said only three soldiers had died in the ambush, but refused to give further information on the clash.

Ecuadorean President Rodrigo Borja, in an interview with a Colombian radio station, blamed the attack on "narco-guerrillas" and pointed out that the military patrol was carrying out an anti-drug operation.

A report in the Colombian newspaper El Tiempo said the 24-man Ecuadorean patrol, which was traveling along the river in two small boats, was attacked by some 130 rebels of the leftist Colombian Revolutionary Armed Forces (FARC).

It said the rebels had taken 14 soldiers who were unharmed in the clash captive.

FARC and Colombia's four other rebels groups have recently indicated they are willing to enter into peace talks with President Cesar Gaviria.

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#90286e0036 10/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 13) EFE - U.S. Defense Secretary Richard Cheney was in London Saturday at the start of a three-country European tour that will take him to Moscow, where he is expected to ask Soviet officials for information on the Iraqi war machine.

Cheney is to meet British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and her Defense Minister Tom King before leaving Britain Tuesday to travel to the Soviet Union.

A high-ranking Pentagon official said last Thursday that Cheney would ask the Soviets to pass on data held by Soviet military advisers who were sent in to Iraq before the August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

During his four-day visit the defense secretary is hoping to pick up some facts about the 3,500 Soviet-made tanks and Soviet-made airplanes used by the Iraqi Armed Forces, said the official who asked to remain anonymous.

Last month the director of the Soviet KGB intelligence agency, Vladimir Kryuchkov, said his country was prepared to turn over information on the Iraqi Armed Forces to the United States.

On Friday, Baghdad warned the Soviet Union that it would reverse its decision to release the approximately 5,000 Soviet citizens still in Iraq if Soviet officials passed on information to the United States.

An Iraqi military spokesman in Baghdad said, +If the Soviet Union gives the United States the information it is seeking, we will unfortunately be obliged to act in a way that would protect our national security.+

The majority of the Soviet citizens in Iraq work in the oil fields, but 93 military advisers remain of the 200 that were in Iraq at the time of the invasion, according to the Monday edition of the Soviet daily Izvestia.

The Iraqi threat came less that six days after a Soviet envoy to Baghdad received assurances from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that Soviet workers would be allowed to leave the country once their contracts were completed.

The Soviet Union has not indicated how it would respond should Iraq bar Soviet citizens from leaving the country.

Cheney is also expected to discuss the progress of Soviet internal economic and political reforms but will not press the Kremlin to send troops to join the U.S.-led multinational force in the Gulf, the Pentagon official said.

Meanwhile, the Pentagon officially denied a report in the French weekly L'Express stating that the United States had prepared a plan to liberate Kuwait that would destroy Iraq in four days at the cost of 20,000 lives of the 200,000 U.S. troops stationed in the region.

Cheney, only the second U.S. defense secretary to visit Moscow following Frank Carlucci's 1988 trip, is to meet with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and his counterpart Dimitri Yazov.

Cheney is scheduled to leave Moscow Friday for Paris where he will meet with French President Francois Mitterrand and Defense Minister Jean Pierre Chevenement before returning to Washington.

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#90286h0162 10/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NANJING (OCT. 14) XINHUA - JIN QINGMIN, WOMAN DRIECTOR OF THE NANJING-BASED ANTARCTIC RESEARCH CENTER UNDER THE CHINESE ACADEMY OF GEOLOGICAL SCIENCES WHO IS FAMOUS FOR FIRST DISCOVERING IRON ORE IN ANTARCTICA, IS TO LEAD AN 88-MEMBER TEAM ON ANOTHER RESEARCH EXPEDITION TO THE CONTINENT.

JIN, THE TRIP'S CO-ORDINATOR, SAID THAT HER EXPEDITION TEAM WILL CONCENTRATE ON THE RESEARCH OF THE ANTARCTIC EARTH.

BETWEEN THE END OF OCTOBER AND APRIL, THE TEAM WILL CONDUCT A GEOLOGICAL

INVESTIGATION IN THE SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS AND THE NORTHERN PART OF THE ANTARCTIC PENINSULA, AND A GEOPHYSICAL PROFILE OF THE OIL-BEARING BASIN IN THE BRANSFIELD STRAIT, WHICH LIES BETWEEN THE ISLANDS AND THE PENINSULA, JIN ELABORATESD.

"THIS WILL BE THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY THAT CHINESE SCIENTISTS WILL HAVE CONDUCTED A DEEP STRUCTURAL STUDY OF THE EARTH," SHE STRESSED.

THE PREVIOUS SIX SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATIONS CHINA HAS ORGANIZED FEATURED A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF THE REGION, INCLUDING ASTRONOMY AND BIOLOGY.

PREVIOUS RESEARCH EFFORTS IN THE WESTERN PART OF THE SOUTH POLE WERE RESTRICTED MAINLY TO KING GEORGE ISLAND, THE BIGGEST OF THE 22 SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS.

IN FEBRUARY 1985, CHINA ESTABLISHED ITS FIRST STATION CALLED THE "GREAT WALL" AT THE SOUTHERN TIP OF THE ISLAND. BY DECEMBER 1988, ANOTHER STATION NAMED THE "ZHONGSHAN" HAD BEEN SET UP IN PRYDZ BAY ON THE EASTERN CONTINENT.

WITH STATE FUNDING OF 11 MILLION YUAN (2.3 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), THE TRIP IS NOW GATHERING ITS RESEARCHERS IN GUANGZHOU BEFORE TAKING OFF AT THE END OF THE MONTH.

THIS WILL BE JIN'S THIRD EXPEDITION. ON DECEMBER 2, 1988, WHEN SHE WAS ON A 10-DAY SINO-AMERICAN EXPEDITION TO THE VINSON MASSIF, SHE BECAME THE FIRST WOMAN AND PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGIST TO HAVE EVER REACHED THE SOUTHERNMOST POINT ON THE EARTH. IT WAS THERE THAT SHE DISCOVERED A LARGE FIELD OF IRON ORE.

JIN HAS PUBLISHED A NUMBER OF PAPERS SINCE HER RETURN. HER PHOTO COLLECTION ENTITLED "EXPLORING THE ANTARCTIC" HAS JUST ROLLED OFF THE PRESSES.

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#90286p4485 10/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Colgate-Palmolive (NYSE: CL) is the first advertiser to buy space on Soviet buses, through Transportation Displays, Inc.'s (TDI) Soviet transit network, both companies announced today.

Appearing on bus exteriors in Moscow and Kiev, the king-size posters contain the headline "Colgate - the World's Most Popular Toothpaste" in Cyrillic, using as the visual a super-wide Colgate smile created to look like toothpaste (2-foot-by-12-foot format). The agency is Young & Rubicam's Moscow affiliate.

Bus transportation is a major factor in Soviet everyday life and a constant presence on city streets. The fleet in Moscow, for example, includes 14,000 buses for a population of 9.5 million, as compared to New York City's bus fleet of 4,000 for a population of 7.4 million.

For Colgate, the bus posters are part of its oral care strategy to create steadily growing consumer demand and professional recognition among Soviet dentists. Colgate toothpaste recently become the first Western consumer product to be granted the Seal of Approval from the Soviet Ministry of Health's Central Scientific-Research Institute of Stomatology. The official Seal appears prominently on the bus poster and on all Colgate packages sold in the U.S.S.R.

Edgar Field, Colgate group vice president for international business development, said: "This is another excellent opportunity for Colgate to broaden awareness of our world-class toothpaste among the U.S.S.R.'s 280 million consumers."

"We are delighted that Colgate-Palmolive, one of the largest consumer products companies in the world, has selected the TDI network for its business-building program in the U.S.S.R.," commented TDI President and Chief Executive Office William M. Apfelbaum.

TDI obtained the exclusive license to advertise on all transportation vehicles in major Soviet cities in March. Their transit network consists of bus, trolley, tram, bus shelter and taxi cab advertising media forms in all major cities including Moscow and Kiev.

"Colgate-Palmolive's pioneering decision to advertise on TDI's network will undoubtedly pave the way for other American advertisers," said Howard Ziff, who is spearheading the effort for TDI in the Soviet Union.

Colgate-Palmolive is a $5 billion global consumer products company, selling its products in more than 160 countries. Its strategy is to focus on the core businesses of oral care, body care, household surface care, fabric care and animal dietary care. The worldwide leader in oral care, Colgate manufactures and sells four out of every ten tubes of toothpaste in the world.

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#90286t3484 10/13/1990 ~ts

KIEV, THE UKRAINE, OCTOBER 13 TASS - POLISH FOREIGN MINISTER KRZYSZTOF SKUBISZEWSKI ARRIVED ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT IN THE UKRAINIAN CAPITAL TODAY AT THE INVITATION OF THE UKRAINE'S GOVERNMENT.

AT KIEV'S BORISPOL AIRPORT, WHERE THE STATE FLAGS OF POLAND, THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UKRAINE WERE HOISTED, SKUBISZEWSKI WAS GREETED BY UKRAINIAN FOREIGN MINISTER ANATOLY ZLENKO AND OTHER OFFICIALS.

THE WELCOMING PARTY INCLUDED POLAND'S CONSUL-GENERAL IN KIEV RYSZARD POLKOWSKI.

DURING HIS TWO-DAY VISIT TO THE UKRAINE, SKUBISZEWSKI IS EXPECTED TO MEET THE REPUBLIC'S LEADERS AND PARLIAMENT DEPUTIES AND SIGN A JOINT STATEMENT.

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#90286u0059 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 13) UPI - NL Box Scores:

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
King 3b	2	0	0	0	Larkin ss	4	1	2	0
Reynolds rf	1	0	0	0	Jackson p	2	0	0	0
Bell ss	3	0	0	0	Hatcher cf	4	0	2	0
VanSlyke cf	4	0	0	0	O'Neill rf	2	0	1	0
Bonilla rf	3	0	0	0	Quinones ph	1	0	1	1
Bonds lf	1	1	0	0	Myers p	0	0	0	0
Martinez 1b	4	0	1	1	Davis lf	4	0	1	1
Slaught c	4	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	4	0	0	0
Lind 2b	3	0	0	0	Benzinger 1b	3	0	0	0
Power p	1	0	0	0	Duncan 2b	3	0	1	0
Smith p	1	0	0	0	Charlton p	0	0	0	0
Belinda p	0	0	0	0	Braggs rf	1	0	0	0
Redus ph	1	0	0	0	Oliver c	4	0	0	0
Landrum p	0	0	0	0	Oester 2b	1	1	1	0
Totals	28	1	1	1	Totals	33	2	9	2

Pittsburgh	000	010	000-	1
Cincinnati	100	000	10x-	2

E-Slaught, Bell, Reynolds. LOB- Pittsburgh 6, Cincinnati 9. 2B-Martinez. SB-Larkin (3), Quinones (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Power	2 1-3	3	1	1	1	0
Smith (L 0-2)	4	6	1	1	1	3
Belinda	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Landrum	1	0	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati						
Jackson	6	1	1	1	4	4
Charlton (W 1-1)	1	0	0	0	0	0
Myers (S 3)	2	0	0	0	2	3

Jackson pitched to 2 batters in 7th inning.

Umpires-Home, J.Davis; 1b, Wendelstedt; 2b, McSherry; 3b, Runge; lf, Rennert;

rf, Crawford.

T-2:57. A-56,079.

(Compiled by Sports Ticker)

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#90286u0082 10/13/1990 ~United Press International
SPOKANE, WA (OCT. 13) UPI - Two customers at a check-cashing shop thought they spotted a gunman on a security monitor and called police to report a robbery, but the holdup turned out to be on an episode of "General Hospital."

Police sent every available officer to the Check-X-Change Thursday afternoon, only to find the customers had mistaken a television set for a security monitor.

As police positioned themselves outside, a dispatcher called the store's unsuspecting teller, Chris Wiltse, 20. "They asked if everything was OK, and I said, 'Yes,"' Wiltse said. "And they said, 'Are you sure?" "They searched the building real quick to make sure nobody was here, " Wiltse said.

It wasn't clear how many police officers responded, but Lt. Robert Van Leuven said, "I know we had a very, very extensive response." He said any time an armed robbery in progress is reported, "You can count on the fact that you are going to see a lot of police officers."

"I think it's fascinating," ABC Television publicist Valerie Dobbins said of the incident, adding she thought the robbery report was a compliment to the show's realism.

The man at the root of the trouble was Scott Thompson Baker, the actor who plays Colton on General Hospital. When the two customers walked into the Check-X-Change, Colton, gun in hand, was seen creeping toward the roof of the hospital in an attempt to rescue hostages.

"I guess I'll never complain about the lack of reality again" on soaps, Baker said from Los Angeles. The two customers apologized to police, but Van Leuven said they did the right thing. "We would rather receive a call of that nature and have people be involved, than have someone ignore it," he said.

-30- 1923
#90286u0101 10/13/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 13) UPI - A report in a French news magazine says U-S military officials in the Middle East are willing to sacrifice 20-thousand soldiers in a night-time operation next month to drive Iraq out of Kuwait. The Pentagon declined to comment on the story that quotes an UNidentified Pentagon aide

saying the success of the four-day blitz depends on destroying the Iraqi air force in the first few hours.

Democrats on the House Ways and Means Committee Friday finished work on a partisan budget plan that's already being rejected by the White House. The Senate Finance Committee later in the day reached a tentative agreement on their own version of a budget plan. It makes NO mention of capital gains or a tax increase.

West German officials say Interior Minister Wolfgang Schaeuble is expected to survive an attempt on his life by a gunman thought to be a drug addict. The suspect shot and wounded both Schaeuble and a security official Friday night in southwest Germany. Authorities say the interior minister is considered a prime target for terrorists, but they do NOT believe extremists were behind this attack.

The European Space Agency's 39th successful launch of its rocket program placed two American communications satellites into orbit Friday evening. The satellites were aboard a French-built Ariane 4 rocket that lifted off from the E-S-A's jungle launch complex on the northern coast of South America.

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#90286u0104 10/13/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 13) UPI - Friday's Sports Transactions:

BASEBALL

Pittsburgh - Signed General Manager Larry Doughty and Manager Jim Leyland to 2-year contracts.

Seattle - Placed outfielder Jeffrey Leonard on waivers for the purpose of giving him his unconditional release.

St. Louis - Named Mark DeJohn manager of Louisville of American Association.

San Diego - Named John Barr assistant vice president/general manager.

San Francisco - Named Les Moss director of minor league pitching.

Toronto - Rehired manager Cito Gaston, pitching coach Galen Cisco, first-base coach Mike Squires, bullpen coach John Sullivan and hitting coach Gene Tenace for 1991; announced John McLaren will not return as third-base coach.

BASKETBALL

Atlanta - Released guard Lanard Copeland and forward Henry Turner.

Boston - Named Dave Cowens special assignment coach.

LA Clippers - Agreed to terms with guard Ron Harper on a 4-year contract.

Portland - Signed guard Clyde Drexler to a 1-year contract extension.

COLLEGE

Drake - Named Lynn King athletic director.

Illinois - Suspended guard Rich Herr and tackle Ed Pederson from the football team for the rest of the season for violating unspecified NCAA rules.

Tennessee - Suspended defensive end Kacy Rodgers, linebacker Dewayne Dotson and running back Keith Jeter indefinitely.

FOOTBALL

Chicago - Activated quarterback Jim Harbaugh.

Miami - Placed nose tackle Brian Sochia on injured reserve.

SOCCER

Cleveland (MISL) - Signed defenders Chris Szanto and Marco Rizi.

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#90286u0108 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 13) UPI - Infantry desert combat is not unlike the ground game in football: five yards and a cloud of dust, five yards and a cloud of dust.

Members of the famed 82nd Airborne Division practiced taking enemy positions in the desert Friday, this time using live amunition to keep their marksmanship honed.

And the quality of the training showed when two gunners who have never fired the Dragon II anti-armor each hit their target with the $6,000 rockets, each raising a loud cheer from their comrades when the rounds hit the targets.

In the six to eight seconds after the round fired, they successfully kept the cross hairs of the aiming device on target, allowing a computer to send steering signals to the rocket, which then fired little pulse rockets to stay on course.

In the live-fire exercise that followed the rocket firing, the troops of Bravo squad of the 2nd Battalion of the 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment worked in

pairs, rushing forward five yards and dropping first to their knees and then letting momentum lay them out prone.

An M-60 machine gun barked out covering fire as two teams working as a platoon ran forward two at a time, slowly reaching the objective at what was a slow walk for following news reporters. Once within about 30 yards, they jumped up and charged, with their sergeant yelling at them to spread out instead of bunching up as they closed on the bunkers of make-believe enemy.

They took a bit of sadistic joy in hitting their targets - empty cartons of vacuum-packed meals they have been eating.

Carrying the squad automatic weapon, essentially an M-16 that will fire up to 200 rounds without reloading, was Spec. 4 James Weirz of Gainsville, Fla., a 20-year-old whose wife and son, James, are waiting for him in Troy, N.C.

He and others in various units of the 82nd have been busy. The 82nd saw action in Panama, then some units went on multinational force duty in Egypt, and had hardly been home long enough to run to a joint training center for two months when they were rushed off to Saudi Arabi.

Consequently, Weirz has seen his 2-year-old son for just three months in the past year. His wife is sending him pictures so he can keep up with his son's progress.

Sgt. Joe Caughenbaugh, 22, of Waco, Texas, has been home for two months in the past 10. He and his wife are expecting their first child in March. "I'd like to be home then for my first child," said Caughenbaugh.

These soldiers are hoping to make their first jump in Saudi Arabia in November and when they jump, it likely will be with the 90 to 100 pounds of gear they each haul into the field with them.

They let their packs dangle below them on a line once they've jumped so the impact with the ground is lessened, letting the ground "surpise" them with the impact to reduce injuries from tensing up in anticipation of landing.

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#90286u0115 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 13) UPI - About 700 Kuwaiti government leaders, educators businessmen, and refugees gathered Saturday for a three-day conference on the future of their nation after it was invaded and ransacked by Iraq.

The three days of public and private meetings, centered on the liberation of the country from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, will culminate with the issuing of a communique on the situation.

The Kuwaiti leadership, one government source said, hopes the meetings can remain focused on the question of freeing the country and leave the issue of what form of government Kuwait should return to for another time. There is a budding movement to shift toward a more democratic form of government and away from the monarchy run by the emir, Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmed al-Sabah. Both the emir and Kuwait's prime minister, Sheik Saad Al-Abdulla Al-Sabah, will address the conference.

The gathering, billed as the "Kuwait People's Conference," also will include descriptions by refugees of the horrors inflicted on Kuwait and its citizens since the Aug. 2 invasion.

"The very presence of this large number of Kuwaitis is itself a pledge of allegiance for the reign of the Al-Sabah family in general and for Sheik Jaber in particular," State Minister for Cabinet Affairs Abdul Rahman Al-Awadi told the English-language Arab News in an interview published Friday.

Awadi also forecast that Arab states that did not initially condemn Iraq would come around to supporting Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, which has played host both to Kuwaiti exiles and to U.S. and allied forces rushed in to stop any attempt by Iraq to invade Saudi Arabia.

And he denied suggestions that the return of the Sabah family to control of the oil state had fallen to the bottom of the U.S. agenda, saying, "The U.S. administration still believes the liberation of Kuwait and the restoration of the legitimate government are inseparably prerequisites for any solution."

The meeting is certain to be watched closely both by the allied powers gathered in Saudi Arabia and by other Persian Gulf states ruled by royal families for signs of the political direction that emerges from the session. The meetings may become confrontational over the rule of the Sabah family, The New York Times reported this week.

But it also quoted pediatrician Fawzia Al-Sayegh, a leader of the Free Kuwait Society in London who argued, "Let us first wait for our return to a liberated Kuwait. I am all for a the pro-democracy movement, but I am equally sure that once we get back, the emir and the crown prince will be very responsive to the need for greater participation in government."

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(OCT. 13) UPI - .

For the first time in eight years, the United States has voted to censure Israel. The United States joined other members of the U-N Security Council members Friday night in unanimously voting to condemn Israel's massacre of at

least 20 Palestinians this week during a rock- throwing melee at the Temple Mount in Jerusalem's Old City. The vote came after five days of negotiations.

A French news magazine says it'll be a moonless November night when U-S forces in Saudi Arabia launch a military offensive designed to drive Iraq from Kuwait. The article, based on information from an UNidentified Pentagon aide, says the four-day blitz is designed to take advantage of nocturnal vision equipment to overcome Iraqi soldiers.

The Senate Friday approved an amendment to its 15-BILLION-dollar foreign aid bill that'll grant 20-Million dollars in humanitarian aid to NON-communist rebels in Cambodia. But senators also toughened restrictions on the money to keep it from getting into the hand of the Khmer Rouge, which killed one-Million Cambodians in the mid-1970's.

Cairo Radio says the government will provide full military honors for the nation's assassinated second-in-command. The speaker of the Egyptian Parliament and five others were killed by motorcycle-riding assassins in Cairo Friday. NO one has claimed responsibility for the attack.

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(OCT. 13) UPI - There are charges the father of the victim killed in the New York's Bensonhurst racial slaying last year deliberately forced a mistrial this week. The trial was dimissed Thursday because a juror complained Moses Stewart was trying to stare her down. Defense attorney Jack Eversoff Friday insisted Stewart wanted to force a mistrial because it appeared the defendant would be acquitted.

Government agencies are joining with the oil consortium that operates the trans-Alaska pipeline to investigate allegations that workers faked corrosion testing on the pipeline. Authoritoes say they're taking very seriously the allegations made by a fired worker. Sections of the pipeline may have to be dug up and tested again.

Two customers who walked into a Spokane, Washington, currency exchange thought they saw a gunman breaking into the business when they looked up at a security monitor. After police responded to their call, the customers discovered they had actually been watching a soap opera on a television.

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(OCT. 13) UPI - NHL Standings:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	3	2	0	6	20	14
New Jersey	2	2	1	5	19	20
Philadelphia	2	2	0	4	18	11
Pittsburgh	2	2	0	4	18	16
Washington	2	2	0	4	15	16
NY Islanders	1	2	0	2	7	10

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	4	0	1	9	23	9
Montreal	2	1	1	5	14	14
Quebec	2	2	1	5	18	22
Hartford	2	2	1	5	17	21
Buffalo	0	3	1	1	13	17

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	3	1	0	6	15	10
Detroit	2	2	1	5	19	23
St. Louis	2	2	0	4	9	14
Minnesota	1	3	1	3	10	17
Toronto	0	4	0	0	9	22

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	3	1	0	6	16	12
Los Angeles	2	1	1	5	18	14
Vancouver	2	2	0	4	14	12
Edmonton	1	0	2	4	9	7
Winnipeg	1	3	1	3	13	13

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 13) UPI - While the House remained mired in partisan posturing, the Senate Finance Committee early Saturday approved a compromise five-year deficit reduction plan crafted to avoid a showdown with President Bush.

The package, which included $142.1 billion in tax increases and a $48.9 billion cut in Medicare, does not include the contentious proposal for a tax rate hike for the highest-income taxpayers coupled with the capital gains tax cut that Bush covets.

The tax-writing committee approved the plan on a 15-5 vote at about 12:25 a.m. EDT, after 70 minutes of debate during which both Democratic leader Sen.

George Mitchell of Maine and Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas urged passage. The package went to the full committee only after 4 1/2 hours of fine-tuning during closed-door bargaining among panel members. "I believe we've done the job," said committee chairman Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas.

The panel earlier had been thrown into turmoil after President Bush appeared to reject swapping higher income tax rates on the rich for the lower capital gains tax.

Bentsen, Mitchell, and other panel Democrats said they would have preferred a plan that included raising the marginal tax rate charged to the highest-income Americans from 28 percent to 33 percent, a move Bush strongly opposes. Bentsen said he was willing to give Bush a capital gains tax cut, that is, a tax break on profits from the sale of assets such as stocks, bonds, and real estate.

But Bentsen said the tradeoff between a tax hike for the rich and the capital gains cut was scuttled as a result of Bush's indecisiveness on the issue. He added the package did not include the 33 percent rate for the wealthiest Americans because "we cannot get a package enacted without the president's signature."

The Medicare cut included in the package was well below the $60 billion included in the budget summit agreement hammered out between congressional leaders and the White House that was rejected by the House last week.

The Senate plan also included a phased-in nine-and-a-half-cent tax on gasoline down from the 12-cent proposal from the summit agreement, embraced the cigarette and alcohol taxes of the budget summit package and expanded on the luxury taxes, while scrapping some tax deductions.

Mitchell called the plan "a fair compromise" that was "far superior" in some respects to the budget summit agreement. Dole said he was optimistic about full Senate approval, adding, "I think the end result is right and necessary."

Two Democracts and three Republicans voted against the plan. Sen. Steve Symms, R-Idaho, said, "We're walking into a buzzsaw" by raising taxes in a slumping economy and suggested a spending freeze instead. Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., said the plan hurt the middle class and elderly while giving tax breaks to "wealthy oil and energy investors."

On Friday, House Ways and Means Committee Democrats completed their own competing budget plan, an admittedly partisan document that scraps gasoline tax increases and creates a capital gains tax break intended for the middle class, not the rich.

The move was partly geared to stick it to House Republicans, who remained undecided Friday on whether to offer their own alternate plan next week when the House is scheduled to debate a deficit reduction bill that implements a

broader budget outline passed by Congress earlier this week. The plan is expected to be offered next week as an alternative to a less specific plan approved Wednesday by the full committee.

"We reject the Ways and Means Democratic plan that takes us back to the tax-and-spend days and does not reflect the bipartisan agreement," Bush spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said at the White House.

The party proposal would raise the income tax rates for the highest- income Americans from the current 28 percent to 33 percent, impose a surtax on those making more than $1 million a year, and cut Medicare by $42 billion over five years instead of by the $60 billion called for by a defeated bipartisan budget plan.

On Thursday, Democrats reduced a proposed gasoline tax increase from nine cents per gallon to three cents. On Friday they decided to eliminate all gasoline tax increases.

To help make up for the lost revenue, Democrats proposed delaying for one year the annual inflation adjustment of income tax brackets and personal tax exemptions. A $42 billion Medicare cut was included in the plan.

Democrats rejected the kind of capital gains tax cut sought by Bush, opting instead for a plan aimed at helping the middle class. Chairman Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., of the Ways and Means Committee defended the proposal as a "bold package" that will help emphasize differences between the two political parties.

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 13) UPI - Members of the U.N. Security Council voted unanimously to condemn "acts of violence" by Israeli forces in the Old City in Jerusalem that resulted in the deaths of at least 20 Palestinians.

The vote late Friday was taken after five days of negotiations in which the Palestine Liberation Organization, backed by Arab and other non-aligned nations, sought to condemn Israel in the strongest terms and demanded U.N. protection for Palestinians in Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

It was the first time in eight years that the United States voted to censure Israel. It condemned Israel in June, 1982, when that country's armed forces invaded Lebanon.

The United States initiated its own resolution condemning its ally, but demanded also that the Security Council blame the violence on both sides, the rock-throwing Palestinians as well as the Israeli troops.

The text adopted was a compromise reflecting demands by non-aligned countries as well as the five permanent members of the council - the United States, the Soviet Union, China, France, and Britain.

The resolution expressed "alarm" by the council at the violence committed by Palestinians as well as Israeli forces at the "Al Haram Al Shareef (the Temple Mount) and other Holy places in Jerusalem" on Monday. This satisfied a demand by the United States for a balanced condemnation. Washington had threatened to veto any document condemning only Israel.

Israeli authorities said rock-throwing Palestinian demonstrators attacked Jewish worshipers at the Temple Mount's Western Wall. The intervention by Jerusalem police resulted in the death of at least 20 Palestinians.

After expressing its concern, the council "condemns especially the acts of violence committed by the Israeli security forces resulting in injuries and loss of human life."

The council's president, David Hannay, read a statement before the vote informing the 15-member body that Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar will send a mission to Israel and it would submit before Oct. 24 a report containing recommendations on "ways and means for ensuring the safety and protection of Palestinians and civilians under Israeli occupation."

Hannay said has the "principal responsibility" to provide protection for Palestinians living in the West Bank and Gaza strip.

The resolution also called on Israel, as the "occupying power" of the territories, to abide by its legal obligations under the Geneva convention protecting civilians in a war zone, which is applicable to the territories, including Jerusalem.

The Yemeni ambassador to the United Nations, Abdalla Saleh Al-Ashtal, said the report, with the Oct. 24 deadline, would allow the Security Council to take action to resolve the Arab-Israeli conflict.

U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering told reporters after the council ended closed-door negotiations Friday evening that the two sticking points that prevented agreement on a text since Monday had been a precise mandate for the investigation and the condemnation language. He said those points were resolved. "We believe the condemnation language is now equitable and balanced " Pickering said.

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(OCT. 13) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International: .

The Senate Finance Committee has O.K.'d a compromise five-year deficit-cutting plan designed to avoid a showdown with President Bush. The package includes 142-BILLION dollars in tax hikes and a 48-BILLION- dollar cut in Medicare. The tax-writing panel approved the plan early today at the urging of Democratic leader Senator George Mitchell and Republican leader Robert Dole.

Israeli police fired water cannons to disperse Palestinian youths after Moslems attended prayers yesterday at the Temple Mount amid heavy security. Jerusalem border police say officials decided to prohibit residents of the occupied territories from entering Jerusalem because they had information ''large riots were planned'' after prayers.

Official U-S spokesman reaffirm the strength of U-S-Israeli ties. But other administration officials say the slaying of 21 Palestinians by Israeli police Monday was a blow that will have lasting effects. In the aftermath of the deaths the United States pressed for a resolution condemning Israel for the use of excessive force.

The White House threatens to veto civil rights legislation it says could lead to job quotas President Bush wants to avoid. Backers of the plan say they may have the votes to hand Bush the first veto override of his administration. The bill reverses six 1989 Supreme Court decisions that make it difficult for workers to sue their bosses for race and sex discrimination.

So far, NO group has claimed responsibility in the assassination of Egypt's Speaker of Parliament. Security officials believe foreign- trained extremists carried out the attack yesterday on a two-car motorcade escorting Speaker Rifaat El Mahgoub. The attack came amid fears of extremist strikes by pro-Iraqi groups opposed to the U-S presence in the Persian Gulf region.

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#90286u0266 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 13) UPI - A mild earthquake struck the central Philippine island of Negros Saturday, but authorities said there were no reports of damage or injuries.

Philippine Volcanology Institute director Raymundo Punongbayan said the temblor, at 12:28 p.m., measured 5.7 on the Richter scale. It was centered in the Negros trench in the Pacific, 300 miles south of Manila, he said.

Punongbayan said the quake was felt in the cities of Iloilo and Bacolod, but added there were no reports of damage or injuries. He said an earthquake with a 5.7 magnitude was not capable of causing tidal waves. "It occurred in the sea far from populated areas," Punongbayan said.

On July 16, an earthquake measuring 7.7 on the Richter scale struck the main

Philippine island of Luzon, leaving more than 1,600 people dead and causing extensive devastation.

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(OCT. 13) UPI - Hurricane Lilli lost power and was downgraded to a tropical storm as it veered away from the mid-Atlantic coast Saturday, but the remnants of two dissipated earlier storms poured floodwaters as much as waist-deep on roads from the Carolinas to Pennsylvania.

The National Weather Service said Lilli, which had wielded 92 mph wind gusts, dropped below the minimum hurricane threshold of 74 mph early Saturday as it began turning toward the north.

The turn from its northwesterly track, which occurred earlier than expected, allowed the NWS to cancel the tropical storm watches and warnings that had been posted for the North Carolina and Virginia coasts.

The storm's new track was expected to bring it no closer to land than 120 miles east of Cape Hatteras, N.C., early Saturday, 100 to 150 miles east of the Virginia coast by Saturday afternoon and 100 miles east of Maryland by evening.

Despite its turn away from the beaches, the storm might still extend tropical storm-force winds to shore - mainly in squalls - tossing a storm surge of one to two feet on the coast, stirring up rough surf and causing beach erosion, the NWS said.

Rain from two tropical storms that weakened and fell apart after hitting land continued to cause problems Saturday along the East Coast, where they killed nine people earlier in the week. Flood warnings were posted as far north as central Pennsylvania, where street flooding was reported in Perry and Northumberland counties.

Warnings were also aloft and moderate to heavy rain was continuing in Maryland Virginia, and the Carolinas. Rain was falling at more than one inch an hour in parts of west-central Virginia, west-central Maryland and northeastern West Virginia.

The remains of Tropical Storm Marco - which earlier absorbed remnants of Tropical Storm Klaus - were centered early Saturday just west of Columbia, S.C., and were moving slowly northward at less than 10 mph, the NWS said.

Marco swept through Florida and Georgia Thursday with 65 mph winds that left thousands without power, forced school closings and damaged homes and buildings.

In the Carolinas, six deaths were attributed to the storms. Two were traffic fatalities and four were deaths from a collapsed dam. Georgia authorities reported three fatalities resulting from flooding near Augusta.

By early Saturday, Marco's winds were no longer significant, but heavy rainfall - as much as 2 inches in a few hours - continued in some areas, the NWS said. Water as much as waist deep was reported in low- lying roadways in Rowan, Davidson and Guilford counties in North Carolina, including the cities of Spencer, Greensboro and High Point.

There was also widespread flooding reported throughout the southern Piedmont and northern foothills in North Carolina. Elsewhere, dense morning fog developed over parts of northeastern and east-central Indiana and in northwest Ohio, cutting visibility near Richmond, Ind., to zero and at Toledo Express Airport to about 220 yards.

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MORRISVILLE, NC (OCT. 13) UPI - A Kuwaiti woman aboard the latest - and perhaps last - freedom flight from the mideast said Friday she lived in terror of Iraqi troops during the final days before her release.

"I was terrified," said the woman who would not give her name because her husband remains in the mideast. "There were Iraqi troops everywhere." She was among 257 refugees who arrived Friday at Raleigh-Durham International on a flight orginating in Baghdad. Officials said the flight was delayed Wednesday night while Iraqi authorities interrogated passengers.

The woman said after she fled Kuwait and went to Iraq she remained indoors most of the time to avoid Iraqi troops. "I was afraid of what the troops would do, so I avoided them," she said.

As she described her flight, her children were being entertained by Harold Maxwell, a Raleigh magician who volunteered to work in the airport terminal's repatriation center. Maxwell twisted balloons into the shape of toys for about two dozen of the 103 children on the flight while their parents cleared immigration.

"This is great," Maxwell said as two of the children battled with sword-shaped balloons. "It relieves the stress from being cooped up on the long flight."

The flight was comprised of 154 men and women and the 103 children, 24 of whom were infants, state officials said. Aprroximately half the passengers were U.S. citizens, state officials said. Seven were Canadian citizens.

Two of the children were unaccompanied, officials said, but were met by their mother, a U.S. citizen from Chicago who left Kuwait the day before Iraq's

invasion.

The mother, identified only by her first name as Connie, said by way of a North Carolina official that the U.S. government should "have already sent the Marines in before all this got started."

"She said, 'It is insane to let this man (Saddam Hussein) get away with this "' said Joe Dean, state crime control secretary. Her husband, identified as a Kuwaiti senior oil engineer, was forced to remain behind.

Dean predicted the latest flight, the fourth to arrive in North Carolina and the tenth flight since the Aug. 2 invasion, would be the last. "The State Department told us the previous flight would be the last before this flight arrived," Dean said.

The latest repatriation effort taxed the staff of the state Department Crime Control and Public Safety. As staff members worked with the repatriates, other state workers braced for the possible arrival of Tropical Storm Lilli on the state's barrier islands and coped with flooding in the western part of the state caused by two other storm systems. "We're doing the job," Dean said. He said the influx of refugees was taxing the state Department of Human Resources.

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TOKYO (OCT. 13) UPI - Le Duc Tho, the Vietnamese leader who negotiated an end to U.S. involvement in the Vietnam War but refused to share the Nobel Peace Prize with Henry Kissinger, died Saturday, the Japanese Kyodo News Agency reported. He was 79.

Tho, whose most recent position was as member of Vietnam's Communist Party central committee in the political division, suffered throat cancer and died at the People's Army hospital in Hanoi, the agency said quoting an announcement by the Vietnamese Foreign Ministry.

Tho, a silver-haired poet and long-time Vietnamese communist leader, negotiated the agreements that ended U.S. involvement in the Vietnam War and then rejected the Nobel Peace Prize because he was asked to share it with Kissinger, the U.S. negotiator.

Tho was the feared political strategist behind both the bloody 1968 Tet offensive in South Vietnam and the campaign that led to the capture of Saigon on April 30, 1975.

After the war, Tho supported moderate economic reforms but insisted on a dominant role for the Communist Party. He admitted he and other Vietnamese leaders led their country into serious economic difficulties.

Tho advocated the 1978 invasion of Cambodia and oversaw its military occupation. Even after his official retirement in 1986, he led a conservative faction that opposed any weakening of the Communist Party's political dominance.

Tho was born Oct. 1, 1911, as Phan Dinh Khai. He took the name Le Duc Tho as a wartime alias. He became committed to communist revolution against French colonialism while a teenager and spent years in French prisons.

Jailed on the notorious prison island of Poulo Condore, Tho and fellow communist leader Pham Van Dong kept up their spirits despite disease and ill nourishment by teaching each other the foreign languages they knew.

"We had to face very cruel torture by the French. I consider that as the greatest trial of my revolutionary career," he said years later. By the time he was released in 1944 he had spent 11 of his 33 years in jail.

Vietnamese sources have said that Tho married twice - the second time after learning his first wife had been killed by the French. Years later he learned his first wife had survived but chose to stay with the second, the sources said.

After World War II, Tho fought with the underground Viet Minh guerrillas against the French in southern Vietnam. In 1949 he was the Viet Minh delegate from the south.

Later he joined the government of Ho Chi Minh in Hanoi. He was elected to the powerful party politburo in 1951 at the age of 39. By 1956 he was clearly among the most powerful voices in the politburo although he never occupied any of the top three posts of party leader, president or prime minister.

During the war against the American-backed government of South Vietnam Tho was the chief political strategist. He designed the 1968 "Tet Offensive" which failed to inspire a popular uprising or achieve any lasting military victories. The offensive, however, undercut the U.S. government's claim that victory was near and sharply reduced popular American support for the war.

He next emerged on the world stage as de facto leader of the Vietnamese delegation to the Paris peace talks in August 1969. "They were tough negotiations," Tho said 12 years later. "They demanded everything, unilaterally, and we demanded everything, unilaterally." In his memoirs Kissinger called Tho "obnoxious" and "insolent."

Tho said the atmosphere was "very tense" because of the U.S. B-52 bombing raids and the bitter fighting on the ground. "I once told him (Kissinger), "You are a liar, a horsetrader, you are perfidious," Tho said.

On Oct. 16, 1973, the Nobel Peace Prize was awarded jointly to Kissinger and

Tho. It was the most controversial award in the history of the prize and two Nobel committee members resigned in protest.

In an interview with United Press International in 1985, Tho said he refused to share the Nobel Prize with Kissinger because it put the victims and the aggressors on the same level.

"I would have been willing to receive an exclusive prize for me. But my refusal will be on the record of history and will remind the committee of the regretful mistake they made," said Tho. The rejection cemented Tho's reputation as an austere professional revolutionary who saw negotiations as another form of guerrilla warfare.

But Tho could also display humor and charm when it suited him. During the Paris negotiations he joked with American delegation leader Kissinger that "once our work is over, perhaps you will find me a job as professor of Marxist politics at Harvard." Kissinger replied: "Certainly, if you will allow me to teach politics in Hanoi."

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SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (OCT. 13) UPI - Thousands of South Koreans staged a rally Saturday to protest the alleged military surveillance of civilians, as opposition leader Kim Dae Jung entered the sixth day of a hunger strike to push political demands.

The crowd at Boramae Park in Seoul was estimated at between 20,000 and 30,000, falling short of a 1 million-strong turnout the organizers had expected.

The rally was sponsored by nine organizations including Kim's Party for Peace and Democracy, two other political groups and hard-line dissident circles to denounce the Defense Security Command for what they charged was spying on more than 1,300 noted civilians.

The illegal surveillance by the Command, in charge of criminal investigations and intelligence for the armed forces, was disclosed by an army deserter on Oct. 4.

Pvt. Yoon Suk-yang, 24, said the surveillance targets included politicians, civic and church leaders, lawyers, college professors, journalists, labor activists, and dissidents. To back up his claim, Yoon produced files prepared by the Command.

Kim Dae Jung, on the sixth day of a hunger stike to push a series of political demands, did not attend the rally after his doctors advised him against it.

Kim started fasting on Monday, demanding that President Roh Tae-woo disband

the Defense Security Command, separate the military from politics and implement local self-rule.

Roh's ruling Democratic Liberal Party appointed a new floor leader hoping to revive dialogue with Kim's party, which has boycotted the National Assembly since July protesting the legislation of 26 controversial laws.

Roh, meanwhile, turned his attention to crime and violence, saying he will do everything in his power to safeguard law and order, and urged the nation to overcome internal social challenges to pave the way for prosperity and national reunification with North Korea.

In his appeal made in a televised meeting with 262 people from various walks of life, Roh said he will mobilize full police and prosecution forces to cope with crime and violence. He said all police on outdoor duty will be armed and that further measures will be taken if required.

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Albuquerque sy	70	41	....
Anchorage sn	43	24	....
Asheville pc	67	62	1.32
Atlanta pc	77	61	....
Baltimore r	81	70	.13
Billings w	62	42	....
Birmingham pc	74	57	....
Bismarck w	57	42	....
Boston sh	68	60	....
Brownsville pc	83	59	....
Buffalo r	54	50	.31
Burlington Vt. r	66	54	.20
Charleston S.C. pc	82	69	....
Charlotte pc	71	65	1.47
Chicago sy	64	40	....
Cincinnati pc	53	52	.09
Cleveland cy	55	53	.72
Columbus Ohio pc	56	53	.66
Dallas sy	73	49	....
Denver pc	67	39	....
Des Moines pc	60	36	....
Detroit sy	55	37	.07
Duluth sh	53	39	....
El Paso sy	76	44	....
Evansville sy	67	42	....

Fargo pc	57	46	....
Hartford sh	79	69	.17
Honolulu pc	88	76	....
Houston sy	77	47	....
Indianapolis sy	63	37	....
Jackson Miss. sy	73	43	....
Jacksonville sy	87	68	....
Kansas City sy	64	42	....
Las Vegas sy	83	54	....
Little Rock sy	68	50	....
Los Angeles f	81	62	....
Louisville pc	60	50	....
Memphis sy	67	48	....
Miami Beach pc	90	77	....
Milwaukee pc	65	45	....
Minneapolis sh	56	42	....
Nashville pc	65	52	....
New Orleans sy	77	52	....
New York sh	78	69	.42
Oklahoma City sy	66	47	....
Omaha sy	60	39	....
Orlando sy	89	72	....
Philadelphia sh	83	68	.10
Phoenix sy	93	64	....
Pittsburgh r	65	58	.74
Portland Me. r	65	58	.16
Portland Ore. sh	64	52	.01
Providence sh	77	68	.30
Richmond r	81	69	.05
St. Louis sy	66	45	....
Salt Lake City f	66	47	....
San Antonio sy	81	51	....
San Diego pc	74	63	....
San Francisco sy	80	56	....
San Juan sh	88	77	.02
Seattle sh	55	49	.02
Spokane pc	58	40	....
Tampa sy	88	72	....
Washington r	81	71	.03
Wichita sy	66	43	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fl-flurries
fy-foggy
hz-haze

m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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CAIRO, EGYPT (OCT. 13) UPI - President Hosni Mubarak and senior government officials led thousands of mourners Saturday at the funeral of slain Parliament Speaker Rifaat El Mahgoub as a former Interior Minister linked the assassination to the Abu Nidal terrorist group.

Also taking part in the funeral procession at Rabah Al Adwia cemetery in the Cairo suburb of Nasr City, or Victory City, were Egyptian Premier Atif Sitqi, Cabinet ministers, senior government officials, and commanders of Egypt's armed forces.

Visiting British Foreign Minister Douglas Hurd also took part in the funeral procession and expressed condolences on behalf of the British government. Mahgoub's coffin was draped in the red, black and white Egyptian flag and carried by a carriage pulled by six horses.

After Mubarak offered his condolences to Mahgoub's family and the families of three people killed in the machine-gun attack in downtown Cairo Friday. The other two people killed in the attack will be buried later, officials said.

The military funeral then moved on led by token units from Egypt's armed forces and police. The coffins of Mahgoub's bodyguards were carried on military jeeps draped with the Egyptian flag.

Egyptian security forces continued their manhunt for the four killers but an Interior Ministry spokesman said no one had yet been apprehended. The spokesman said armed guards at vital installations around the country had been reinforced and checks were being made at the country's airports and other exit routes.

Former Interior Minister Hassan Abu Basha, who himself survived an assassination attempt by Egyptian islamic fundamentalists, said he suspected terrorists belonging to the notorious Palestinian terrorist Abu Nidal group were responsible for the slayings, Egyptian newspapers reported Saturday.

Basha said it was also significant that the terrorists chose the no. 2 man in the Mubarak administration as their target, because that constituted a message "that clearly states the arm of the terrorist groups which cooperate with Iraq can reach us."

But Interior Minister Lt. Gen. Mohammed Abdulhalim Mussa said there was no evidence of that yet although the attack had the hallmarks of a foreign-instigated plan.

Egypt angered Iraq by its immediate opposition to Baghdad's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. Cairo also sent troops to Saudi Arabia to help defend the oil-rich state from potential Iraqi aggression.

Egyptian police earlier this month said they had arrested some 30 suspected Iraqi and Palestinian terrorists and Mussa told reporters prior to Friday's assassination that he had uncovered an Iraqi plot to assassinate senior members of the Egyptian government.

After the assassination Friday, Mubarak condemned what he described as the "evil" slaying but said it would not divert his administration away from its policy of "protecting the Arab and Islamic world's sacred heritage."

President Bush telephoned Mubarak to express his regret at the killings, Cairo Radio said, adding that Syrian President Hafez Assad and Jordan's King Hussein also expressed regret at the incident.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 13) UPI - House and Senate farm leaders agreed to a blueprint to slash farm subsidies by 24 percent with the untested "triple base" plan, which makes some crop land ineligible for subsidies, supplying the lion's share of the savings.

Negotiators also approved reauthorization of the food stamp program Friday but found no way to pay for a proposed $5 billion expansion in benefits, virtually ensuring the proposal is dead.

In all, the pact called for cuts totaling $13.6 billion over the next five years. Farm state congressmen knew for months they would have to significantly reduce the cost of the farm program but delayed until a specific dollar target was set on Monday. Negotiators said the task, coming one month before Election Day, was especially painful because no phantom savings were allowed.

"Every member of this committee has to go home and say, 'I can't give out good news,"' said Senate Agriculture Committee chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt. Leahy said the agreement would allow negotiators to complete work on the new farm policy bill on Monday.

Several sensitive policy issues still must be decided - among them, sugar import quotas, structure of the dairy program, pesticide exports and whether farmers should be required to keep records on their use of pesticides.

The farm policy bill will set the guidelines for the next five years for commodity support, export promotion, agricultural research, food aid and public feeding programs.

Leaders said the budget package includes a 15 percent triple base for 1992-1995, a one percent assessment on sugar, tobacco, peanuts, honey, wool and mohair, limits on low-interest farm and utility loans, a sharp reduction in the rate available under the proposed soybean marketing loan, and calculating crop subsidies on the basis of the 12-month average price, instead of the current five months.

The triple base was projected to account for $5.8 billion of the savings. Originated a few years ago, the triple base would declare a portion of crop land ineligible for crop subsidies but would allow farmers latitude in deciding what to grow on it. Farmers often have requested more planting flexibility but triple base could mean lower income because federal payments would be smaller.

Critics also say triple base may have little appeal to farmers in regions like the Great Plains where the climate limits the choice of crops.

"It's a solid package in my judgment. One never knows until it is implemented " said Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter, who spent most of the past two days taking part in the deliberations.

Yeutter said adoption of triple base moves the farm bill closer to the administration proposal last winter for full-fledged planting flexibility. Analysts say strict farm program rules locked farmers into growing the same crop year after year and discouraged them from looking for profit-making alternatives.

Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Texas, said negotiators agreed on a 15 percent triple base because of "concern about plowing new ground." The House had proposed higher rates - 20 percent and 25 percent - in 1994 and 1995.

The straight 15 percent rate, said Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., offered "some consistency, simplicity. It makes the savings through the years more consistent."

A key point in the negotiations was an administration decision to allow Congress to claim $650 million in savings from a corn setaside in 1991 of at least 7.5 percent. On Thursday, Yeutter had refused to give credit for it.

Congressional staff workers said many details were yet to be settled. The soybean marketing loan, for instance, may drop to $5 a bushel and some sort of assessment must be drafted to cut the cost of the dairy program.

Also during the negotiations, senators agreed to give up a plan to create marketing loans for wheat and feed grains. Instead, the farm bill will change the system for computing crop loan rates, effectively raising them by a few cents.

During the lengthy discussion of the package, some senators tried to prevent a change in the formula for deficiency payments on grounds it amounted to a cut in government support. Yeutter reportedly sought key policy changes if the corn setaside was going to be counted as a budget savings.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (OCT. 13) UPI - Authorities arrested an undisclosed number of people using forged passports while they were attempting to leave Egypt Saturday and said they were linked to the assassination of Egypt's parliament speaker.

"Police have arrested a number of people using forged documents while they were trying to leave Egypt," an Interior Ministry source told United Press International.

The source said details of the arrests were not being disclosed for the moment so as not to endanger the investigation, but confirmed the arrests were linked to Friday's assassination of Parliament Speaker Rifaat El Mahgoub and five other people.

A former Egyptian Interior Minister, meanwhile, said he suspected the four killers belonged to notorious Palestinian terrorist Abu Nidal, but the government says there is not enough evidence yet to say whether the assassins were Egyptian Islamic fundamentalists or pro-Iraqi terrorists.

Egypt angered Iraq by opposing Baghdad's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and sending troops to defend Saudi Arabia from Iraqi aggression. Pro-Iraqi terrorist groups have vowed to strike back at the United States and other pro-Kuwaiti countries.

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JERUSALEM (OCT. 13) UPI - Israel denounced Saturday a U.N. Security Council resolution condemning acts of violence by Israeli forces in Jerusalem's Old City, charging the world body had fallen into "a trap" laid by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The Security Council approved the resolution 15-0 late Friday after five days of intense discussion that focused primarily on the language of the condemnation and the mandate of a U.N. commission to investigate Monday's riots. Police killed at least 20 Palestinians and wounded more than 150 during the disturbances on the Temple Mount.

"Israel regrets the Security Council resolution which failed to condemn the cause of the tragic event - an unprovoked Arab attack on Jewish worshippers in the holiest site of the Jewish people," Foreign Ministry spokesman Yosef Amihud said in a statement.

Israel did not comment on the U.N. inquiry into the riots ordered by the resolution, although Israeli officials indicated earlier in the week they were opposed to such a mission.

Israeli authorities contend the riots and stoning of Jews at the Western Wall were a carefully planned provocation to shift attention from the Persian Gulf crisis to the Arab-Israeli conflict, a scenario at odds with accounts provided by Palestinians.

According to Palestinians, Moslems had gathered on the Temple Mount, the third holiest Islamic site, to protect it from Jewish fundamentalists who wanted to lay a cornerstone for the third Jewish Temple. Violence erupted and then escalated when police fired tear gas at the Arab crowds, they said.

Amihud said, "It is also regrettable that the Security Council fell into the trap laid by Saddam Hussein and his PLO supporters who inspired the riots in order to divert attention from the Iraqi aggression in the Gulf." Israeli authorities said police, who had run out of tear gas and rubber bullets opened fire when lives were in danger.

But The West Bank human rights group Al-Haq in a report released Friday, contending the security forces were not in danger and fired indiscriminately. The organization, an affiliate of the Geneva-based International Commission of Jurists, also said the attack on Jews was not planned in advance.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Amihud said the U.N. resolution could not contribute to "tranquility and normalcy" and hoped it would not be seen by Arab extremists as international approval for further violence.

The Security Council expressed "alarm" at the violence committed by Palestinians and Israeli security forces at the Haram esh Sharif, as the Temple Mount is known in Arabic, and other holy places.

The resolution said the council "condemns especially the acts of violence committed by the Israeli security forces resulting in injuries and loss of human life."

More than 900,000 Palestinians, meanwhile, remained under curfew in the occupied territories, including the entire Gaza Strip. On Friday evening, two West Bank Palestinians were killed in clashes with soldiers, Palestinian sources reported.

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(OCT. 13) UPI - Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Oct. 13:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberden cy	1pm	55	13
Amstrdm c	1pm	71	22
Ankara c	3pm	69	20
Athens c	2pm	78	26
Aucklnd cy	12m	61	16
Beijing r	8pm	67	20
Beirut	2pm	--	--
Berlin pc	1pm	65	18
Bonn pc	1pm	72	22
Brussels c	1pm	73	23
Cairo c	2pm	83	29
Casblnc pc	12n	84	29
Copenhgn c	1pm	59	15
Dakar pc	12n	86	30
Dublin pc	1pm	60	16
Geneva pc	1pm	68	20
Helsinki cy	2pm	45	07
Hng Kng cy	8pm	79	26
Jerusalm c	2pm	72	22
Karachi c	5pm	88	31
Lisbon r	1pm	63	17
London c	1pm	73	23
Madrid cy	1pm	70	21
Malta c	1pm	83	28
Manila ts	8pm	78	25
Moscow pc	3pm	40	05
Nairobi pc	3pm	83	29
Nassau c	7am	77	25
New Dlh pc	6pm	83	28
Nice pc	1pm	76	26
Oslo cy	1pm	53	12
Paris c	1pm	74	23
Pretoria cy	2pm	77	25
Riydh msg	3pm	97	36

Rome pc	1pm	81	27
Seoul pc	9pm	60	18
Sofia c	2pm	76	25
Stckhlm pc	1pm	55	13
Sydney c	10pm	58	14
Taipei r	8pm	74	24
Tokyo cy	9pm	63	17
Tunis cy	1pm	91	33
Vienna cy	1pm	64	18
Warsaw c	1pm	61	16

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	61	16
Caracas pc	8am	68	20
Havana	7am	--	--
Lima cy	7am	61	16
Mexico City hz	6am	56	13
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	78	26
Santiago pc	8am	48	09

Canada

Calgary cy		54	12
Edmonton pc		50	10
Montreal r		58	14
Ottawa r		54	12
Regina pc		55	12
Toronto cy		51	10
Vancouver c		59	15
Winnipeg cy		50	09

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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ATLANTA (OCT. 13) UPI - Two groups that challenge government repression in Guatemala and Sri Lanka shared the fifth annual Carter-Menil Human Rights Prize Saturday for "exemplary performance and remarkable courage" in their fight for freedom.

The award, founded by former President Jimmy Carter and Houston philanthrophist Dominique de Menil, was given to the Consejo de Comunidades Ethicas Runujel Junam (CERJ) in Guatemala and the Civil Rights Movement of Sri Lanka (CRM).

CERJ defends the fundamental freedoms and human rights of Guatemala's indigenous population, most of whom are rural peasants. CRM is a non-partisan, inter-ethnic organization committed to the promotion and protection of civil and political rights in Sri Lanka.

"The citizens of both Guatemala and Sri Lanka have for decades bore the brunt of brutal repression, with little attention or assistance from the rest of the world," Carter said. "The growth of CERJ and CRM illustrate once again the power of the people to come together when governments no longer feel obligated to respect the rule of law."

De Menil, president of the Carter-Menil Human Rights Foundation, labeled the two organizations "role models of courage and leadership in two countries whose governments have chosen to ignore the voice of truth."

"Working under tremendous harassment and the constant threat of death, members of these two groups have struggled dauntlessly to denounce human rights abuses and prevent their future occurrence," she said.

A group of Mayan Indians and schoolteacher Amilcar Mendez Urizar formed the CERJ in July 1988 to educate the rural populace, denounce human rights violations, seek legal redress for abuse victims and work to disband Guatemala's civilian patrol system in which peasants are forced to provide unpaid service.

The CRM was founded in 1971 in response to government emergency measures that suspended individual rights in an effort to suppress the militant Sinhalese insurgency known as the JVP. The group has become a champion of human rights in Sri Lanka, working to challenge the government's suspension of due process protections, provide legal defense, search for people who disappear and organize relief for the families of those detained by the government.

"Both organizations were chosen because of exemplary performance and remarkable courage in documenting violations and seeking to promote respect for basic human rights in their respective countries," the Carter Center said in a prepared statement.

The $100,000 prize, which will be divided between the two groups, will be presented to representatives of each organization Dec. 10 at the 42nd Universal Declaration of Human Rights ceremony at New York University. Carter will use the occasion to deliver his annual state of human rights address.

The winners were chosen by an advisory committee comprised of prominent

members of the international human rights community, including Amnesty International, Human Rights Internet, Human Rights Watch and others.

Previous prize winners include Soviet physicist and dissident Yuri Orlov and the Grupo de Apoyo Mutuo of Guatemala in 1986; La Vicaria de la Solidaridad of Chile in 1987; the Sisulu family of South Africa in 1988; and al-Haq and B'Tselem, Palestinian and Israeli organizations working to promote human rights in the Occupied Territories, in 1989.

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(OCT. 13) UPI - The United States detonated a nuclear weapon two-thousand feet under the Nevada desert yesterday. It was the third such test since the Iraqi- Kuwait crisis. Some Las Vegas residents, 105 miles away, reported feeling a slight swaying after the blast that registered five-point- seven on the Richter Scale. An Energy Department spokesman said NO radiation leaked into the atmosphere.

A group of Messianic Jews- who accept Jesus as the promised Messiah- asked Israeli lawmakers yesterday to change the law and let members of the group become Israeli citizens. Israel's Law of Return grants automatic citizenship to returning Jews, but excludes Messianic Jews. The Union of Messianic Jewish Congregations in Washington, D-C, argues that secular Jews, some of whom do NOT believe in God, are granted Israeli citizenship under the Law of Return.

The World Chess Championship game set for yesterday was postponed until next week after challenger Anatoly Karpov took the first of his three alloted time outs. He faces champion Gary Kasparov in New York. Officials say the third game of the match was re-scheduled for Monday with Karpov playing the white pieces. The first game ended in a draw. Kasparov leads the tournament one and one-half to one-half.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 14) UPI - One of the happy side effects of the spread of democracy in key Latin American countries like Brazil is the decision by the new leaders to halt secret and ambitious missile and nuclear weapons programs.

One of the sobering discoveries, according to Bush administration officials, is to learn how close Brazil was to having the necessary components of an atomic bomb and a ballistic missile to carry it.

Even more sobering, said officials interviewed on the basis of no further identification, is to learn how hard it is to control the international spread of missile and nuclear technology when free trade is blossoming.

And even more thought-provoking is for these officials to learn, belatedly, how easy and common it was for Brazilian technicians to pass their technical secrets on to eager well-paying customers such as Iraq.

A case in point, now being studied as an object lesson, is the Brazilian Space Launch Vehicle program, ostensibly an open program for a missile that would put a 400-pound satellite into orbit, either for Brazil or any other country that would pay for the launching costs.

In October 1989, the Brazilian Embassy applied for an export license for the heat treatment of some rocket casings. The metal toughening process itself is old technology, and, therefore, the application didn't set any alarm bells ringing in the State Department, where the export license application routinely arrived. What was critical was the size of the ovens where the heating was to be done, requiring a chamber some 3 1/2 feet in diameter and up to 19 feet in length. Those ovens were most easily accessible in the United States.

Under U.S. regulations, designed to help rather than hinder U.S. businessmen sell their products abroad in the Reagan and Bush administrations, anything that is not specifically prohibited for export is permitted. So the Office of Munitions Control in the State Department, which gets some 200-300 applications every day, did not kick the request up into the next layer of scrutiny, an inter-agency review that would involve the Defense Department and all the U.S. intelligence agencies, since no high-technology was involved.

There was a further bureaucratic glitch, even after some U.S. intelligence reports suggested that Brazil may have been selling its technology to the Iraqis. The Brazilian application couldn't be found for several weeks. It turned out that the application did not come from the Brazilian space-launch agency, but from the Brazilian Embassy in Washington.

After that hitch, according to U.S. officials, there were other paper-flow gridlocks involving further months.

By June 1990, the Brazilian application had been approved and seven of the casing segments had been heat treated in an Illinois plant and had been returned to Brazil, enough for one space-launch vehicle. Another 11 segments were to be shipped later when the alarm bells finally went off in the American licensing system.

The Defense Department by then had raised the prospect that the American participation in the Brazilian missile project was indirectly potentially aiding other missile projects - including Iraq's - since a Brazilian space-launch would tell Iraq or Libya what they needed to know about the need for such an expensive heat treating process for their own missiles.

The State Department raised an opposing question: If the United States were to

deny such countries as Brazil ''old'' technology like heat treating metal casings, would that not encourage those countries to go to other, easily available sources who would not be as meticulous about limiting the spread of technology? And would it not encourage Brazil and other countries at the same level of technology to drop out of the system of non-proliferation of missiles and nuclear weapons?

That question was asked in the knowledge that West German firms had been lining up to sell Brazil, or any other country, what it needed in terms of nuclear or missile technology. The German government later put limits on its export sales of military technology after pressure from the U.S. government that was described by one U.S. official as ''very blunt, very frank.''

The debate within the U.S. government, which separated the ''free traders'' from the ''arms controllers,'' in a complex inter-agency continues.

There was new fuel this week from those who want tighter controls, with the news that 82 Brazilian technicians had been in Iraq establishing a plant for the construction of a new missile, called the al-Taw-Han, which appeared to be an almost exact copy of Raytheon- designed AIM-7E ''Sparrow'' air-to-air missile.

The anti-aircraft missile has a range of about 30 miles, a speed of about 3,000 mph, 90-pound warhead and a sophisticated dual guidance system. The Brazilian team had been in Iraq since 1987.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 14) UPI - In the blink of an eye, the political world of taxes has been stood on its ear.

And for the first time in years, it's Republicans who are wailing and now, in some corners, bitterly complaining that President Bush, with a startling series of flip-flops on taxes, has undermined all the advantages the GOP has built on the issue in the last decade.

''This is an unmitigated, no holds barred, complete and utter political disaster,'' said a national Republican insider, who asked not to be identified because of fear of White House retaliation.

''We've given up on the notion that we're the no-tax party. We've given up on the advantage of the notion that we're running the White House,'' the insider said. ''This is a complete and utter kicking away of the gains this party has made since 1980.''

Bush, in the midst of a confusing series of reversals on the tax question, let it be known last week that he could agree to a top marginal tax rate of 31

percent, providing Congress would approve a cut in the capital gains tax.

But at virtually the same time, House Democrats on Capitol Hill were fashioning a plan with a top rate of 33 percent.

And, since Bush has allowed the Democrat-led congressional committees to put together the details of the nation's new budget plan, some GOP analysts are complaining the president has surrendered all the anti-tax political advantages built by Ronald Reagan.

''He has been so enamored of coalition government that at this moment when the Democrats saw the opportunity to slit his throat, they did it,'' said one Republican.

Bush's move to suggest the 31 percent top rate was seen by many as a flawed attempt to regain the advantage on taxes.

To most Americans, the 2 percent difference between a 31 percent rate and a 33 percent tax rate might seem like a minor change. But to Bush and embattled White House aides trying to escape from under an avalanche of criticism, it represented a chance to salvage something.

The president and his men would like to sell the 31 percent rate as a fairness issue, contending that all it would do is fix a quirk in the tax code in which the weathliest Americans have a temporary top tax rate of 33 percent, but then have that rate drop to 28 percent.

Enacting the 31 percent rate, says Bush, would simplify the system without changing revenues.

But Democrats on Capitol Hill, delighted in seeing Bush call for higher tax rates, are not buying and insisting that if rates are to be raised, the wealthiest Americans should pay dearly.

For years, such a stance would be considered political death. In fact, even after he became Democratic leader, Sen. George Mitchell, D- Maine, refused for a long time to push for a higher third tax rate, even though that was one of his favorite proposals in 1986.

However, once Bush earlier this year opened the door to higher taxes, Democrats rushed through. And some Republicans complain that now that Bush has waffled on income tax rates - the most sacrosanct of tax matters - Democrats are free to pursue those without fear of penalty.

In the process, Democrats have managed, at least in some quarters, to tap into a vein of middle-class resentment by painting the tax-raising effort as an effort to soak the rich and bring more balance to the nation's tax system.

Noted House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Dan Rostenkowski, D- Ill.: ''Strategies change all the time. We had a president whose lips we had to read and that just changed. ... It's been too long a time, really, that the Republican Party has been totally negative about doing anything with respect to progress in this country. The Democrats are standing for the people that they feel are the backbone of this country - and that's the middle class.''

Even Charles Black, lead spokesman for the national GOP, admits that when it comes to painting the tax issue as a contest of the wealthy versus the middle class, ''we have not done a good public relations job on that and they (Democrats) have.''

The Democrats' effort has been so successful that Bush last week was forced to deny that the GOP only favored the wealthy. ''It isn't true,'' Bush said. ''That's the age-old Democrat cry of favoring the rich.''

But some Republican House members weren't content to simply let the president make the case.

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(OCT. 13) UPI - The Senate Finance Committee early today passed a deficit reduction plan that would increase taxes 142-BILLION dollars over five years. Both Democratic leader George Mitchell and Republican leader Robert Dole back the plan.

In Beirut, Lebanon, Christian military leader General Michel Aoun today ended a two-year rebellion by ordering his troops to surrender to a Syrian-backed attack. Lebanon's prime minister hails the event as ''historic.''

Germany says its interior minister was seriously wounded when he was shot twice last night in southwestern Germany. The minister is the head of German security forces. A suspect under arrest is believed to be involved with drugs.

A U-N Security Council resolution passed last night expresses ''alarm'' at violence by Palestinians as well as Israeli forces in Jerusalem this week. At least 20 Palestinians died Monday when Israeli forces opened fire on a rock-throwing crowd.

President Bush met with Estonian leaders yesterday and agreed all three Baltic republics should take part next month at the 34-nation meeting of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe. Bush's support for Baltic independence has quieted down during the Persian Gulf crisis.

The Senate yesterday passed a 183-BILLION dollar spending bill for health and other domestic programs. The bill includes only a small fraction of the money authorized by the emergency AIDS-care bill named for AIDS victim Ryan White.

A white supremacist told an Oregon jury he passed on the violent racist teachings of Tom Metzger to three Portland skinheads hours before they beat a black man to death. The witness testified on behalf of the victim's family in a suit against two of the skinheads and their alleged leader.

Two Chicago police officers allegedly videotaped while stealing from a restaurant are charged with burglary and official misconduct. A security camera filmed two men in police uniforms raiding the cash register.

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(OCT. 13) UPI - The new farm policy bill would create a wetlands reserve for up to one-Million acres. A House-Senate panel is still working on a compromise version of the bill... which would also help farmers prevent water pollution.

Financial records show corporate donations to Senate candidates far outpaced contributions to House candidates during the third quarter of this year. As time runs out before next month's elections... business PACs are filling Senate campaign coffers.

A 300-pound nightclub doorman was arraigned yesterday in Providence, Rhode Island, on a charge he assaulted New England Patriots wide receiver Hart Lee Dykes. The charge stems from a brawl that put Dykes in the hospital and left teammate Irving Fryar facing a weapons charge.

The presidents of eight Latin American countries have agreed to present a common positive response to President Bush's call for a regional economic group. The presidents finished a two-day meeting yesterday in Caracas, Venezuela.

Poland's former Communist Party leader Edward Gierek made his first public appearance yesterday since a revolt forced him out in 1980. Gierek defended his policies which put Poland into heavy debt... and said communism can still be reformed.

Hotel brochures in Beijing now include a barrage of invitations to invest in export-oriented industries. The mayor of Beijing says ''China's doors are open'' to foreign investment following the recent success of the Asian Games.

NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner held discussions with the Greek prime minister in Athens yesterday over the Persian Gulf crisis. Greece has drawn parallels between the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and NATO-ally Turkey's invasion of Cyprus in 1974.

The Christian Children's Fund has announced it will help Virginia State University improve food production in the West African nation of Gambia.

Traditionally-black Virginia State is trying to help Gambia's farmers become more self-sufficient.

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PARIS (OCT. 13) UPI - Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement left for another visit to Saudi Arabia Saturday to oversee the arrival of the last French "Dogs of War" and combat aircraft in the region.

Also Saturday, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz said he was "very disappointed" by the tough language French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas has used against Iraq.

In an interview with Le Figaro newspaper, Aziz also acknowledged France had made a link between resolving the Persian Gulf crisis and the Palestinian problem but "it is not strong enough to lead to the solution we would like."

Aziz said Iraq "neither rejects nor supports" a proposal by French President Francois Mitterrand for an international conference on the Israeli-Arab conflict, but that if "Europeans and especially the French devote as much attention to the Palestinian problem as they have to the situation in the Gulf they would contribute greatly to bringing peace and stability to the region.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has called for a link between Baghdad's occupation of Kuwait and the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza strip, saying the Arab-Israeli conflict was the core of the problem to be dealt with.

The United States and Britain have said that Saddam Hussein must first get out of Kuwait before the Palestinian issue can be discussed, but Aziz said in the newspaper interview that Iraq has "recognized that the intentions of France are different to those of the United States."

He said there is "an Israeli-American conspiracy aiming to destroy Iraq" and if France and other countries have sent troops to the region "this is because they have been pushed by the United States."

France has an estimated 5,000 men based in Saudi Arabia as part of the U.S.-led multinational military buildup in the region to counter Iraqi aggression in the wake of the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion and conquest of Kuwait.

Most of the French forces already were in position last weekend, providing cheer for Foreign Legion officers happy to have shown themselves more swift and dashing than the British "desert rats" still deploying ploddingly in the Kingdom.

The Defense Ministry said Chevenement left for Saudi Arabia and would visit

the Foreign Legion "dogs of war" mercenaries and other forces of the French Republic based at Camp Khaled close to the Saudi frontier with Iraq and Kuwait as well as the Houfouf air base between Dahran and Riyadh. At least 24 French warplanes have been deployed at Houfouf to provide cover for French ground troops.

Chevenement's position has been in question for weeks for what many pundits see as his soft stance toward Baghdad and his doubtless related ambitions to lead the left-wing of the French Socialist Party.

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BLUEFIELDS, NICARAGUA (OCT. 13) UPI - Cultural and educational programs on Nicaragua's Atlantic coast have been hurt by recent budget and personnel cuts and some may be eliminated completely, according to private and government sources.

In Bluefields, where four languages are commonly spoken - English, Creole, Spanish, and Miskito - October is usually a monthlong party. The feast of San Jeronimo, the birthday of Bluefields and other memorable dates all combine for celebrations that blanket the town in revelry and mischief.

This year, San Jeronimo was celebrated with the typical masked processions and night time gaming tables and dances, but the celebrations ended Oct. 7 and Bluefields birthday was all but forgotten, townspeople complained.

"Nothing is happening this year," said Alerton Gomez, assistant director of the private Cultural Programs for Autonomy. "There has been no election of a town queen. No one is doing anything. It is the government's responsibility to organize these things."

In past years, there was also a popular holiday called Mayo Ya in the first week of May when people celebrated the richness of all the cultures of the Atlantic coast with shows and exhibits. This year, the event was ignored.

People blame the lack of organization on the national government of President Violeta Chamorro and the regional government in Bluefields, headed by National Assembly member Alvin Guthrie.

Bluefields, formerly the hub of the British protectorate on Nicaragua's Atlantic coast, in many ways maintains the same pirate atmosphere it acquired during the colonial years.

Descendants of black slaves, Chinese immigrants and other foreigners have mixed with the Miskito Indian population and with the Spanish-descended Nicaraguans from the Pacific coast for a cultural mix unique in Latin America. The region, which also includes the Miskito-dominated Zelaya Norte, has

limited autonomy from the remainder of Nicaragua.

Government officials, who took office April 25, said there was no time to arrange the Mayo Ya festival this year and that the nation's dire economic crisis has left no money for many of the programs.

"The real problems are financial," said Roderick Green, the Education Ministry's delegate to Bluefields. "There is not enough money to repair schools or build new classrooms. People are not getting paid, and the fund for paying substitute teachers is low."

The government has also proposed eliminating a program under which teachers receive monthly stipends of rice, beans, and sugar. The former Sandinista government deducted the value of the food from paychecks, but the Chamorro government is considering eliminating the idea altogether. "They are already behind," Green said. "For the past three months, the teachers here haven't been receiving the whole amount of goods."

Many of Bluefields cultural programs were organized in the past by the regional office of the Council for Popular Culture, a government entity, but the staff has been reduced to a skeleton of what it used to be because of layoffs and people leaving.

"Things are very disorganized," said Hermina Quinn, a librarian at the council offices in Bluefields. "Most of the workers have either left or been fired. We have lost a lot of books, and there is no money to replace them." Another employee said the office will probably shut down soon.

Gomez said the private sector is beginning to take up some of the slack. He said his organization has hired many of the government workers and that the group will break ground later this month on a new cultural school, scheduled to open next June.

The Jesuit-run University of Central America has assumed partial control of another cultural program, the Center for Investigations and Documentation of the Atlantic coast. Ugo Sujo, a director of the center, said it was privatized before April 25 to keep it from falling into the hands of the new government.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 13) UPI - A Greenpeace ship that tried to inspect a northern nuclear test site was expelled from Soviet waters and is heading to Norway, the official Tass news agency said Saturday. Ordering the M.V. Greenpeace to leave apparently ended the weeklong crisis without any charges being filed against the crew of the environmental ship.

The M.V. Greenpeace, which was towed Wednesday from Novaya Zemlya test site to

Murmansk, was "expelled from Soviet territorial waters after an investigation carried out by the public prosecutor's office and Frontier Guard troops," Tass said. "According to the Greenpeace captain, the ship is steering toward the Norwegian port of Tromso," Tass said.

Soviet sailors seized the ship and its 28-person crew on Monday after the anti-nuclear activists sailed into the weapons testing site north of the Arctic Circle and four of them dropped into rubber dinghies to land on Novaya Zemlya.

On Wednesday, Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov said the vessel violated Soviet borders and he announced it was being towed to Murmansk by a miltary vesel and a tug. Once the vessel reached Murmansk, Soviet authorities refused to allow any journalists aboard, Tass reported.

Explaining that the Soviet Union shares Greenpeace's opposition to nuclear testing, Gerasimov on Wednesday indicated the incident might be resolved without anyone being detained.

"We are for an immediate cessation of all nuclear tests, but there are some laws that have to be observed," Gerasimov said. "No matter how noble the mission ... there are some laws of the country that cannot be violated."

Greenpeace, now campaigning for a "Nuclear Free Seas Campaign," has said four tests were scheduled at Novaya Zemlya since December but each was postponed.

Gerasimov told the Wednesday news conference the Greenpeace ship visited Archangelsk nd Naryan-Mar as agreed upon but then "suddenly" changed course for Novaya Zemlya, thus violating Soviet borders.

Eleanor O'Hanlon, a representative of Greenpeace who was in Moscow Wednesday, countered that permission had been sought for the visit. "But the permission was not given," Gerasimov said.

As part of its reaching out to the world and ending its pre-perestroika isolation, the Soviet Union has allowed Greenpeace to have a representative in Moscow.

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(OCT. 13) UPI - Israeli police used water cannons to disperse more than 100 Palestinian youths outside Jerusalem's Old City after Arabs were kept out of into the Temple Mount. Officials said the youths later stoned Israeli cars. About three-thousand Moslems attended Friday prayers at the Temple Mount under heavy security. .

The U-N Security Council voted unanimously yesterday to condemn violence by

Israeli forces in Jerusalem that killed at least 20 Palestinians Monday. The vote yesterday came after five days of talks in which the P-L-O, backed by Arab and other non-aligned nations sought to condemn Israel in the strongest terms.

The Senate Finance Committee has agreed on a deficit-cutting plan at the urging of Democratic leader George Mitchell and Republican leader Robert Dole. The panel approved the five-year plan that provides tax increases and a nearly 49-BILLION dollar cut in Medicare. The Medicare cut was well below the 60-BILLION in a budget summit agreement rejected by the House last week.

President Bush called Egypt's Hosni Mubarakyesterday expressing regret over the assassination of Egypt's speaker of Parliament. At least 30 alleged Iraqi and Palestinian extremists were arrested on suspicion of ties to Palestinian terrorist Abu Nidal. Security officials suspect foreign- trained extremists were responsible for the assassination yesterday in Cairo.

Dense morning fog developed over parts of northeastern and central Indiana, cutting visibilty to near zero in Richmond, Indiana. Hurricane Lili's 92 mile-an-hour top winds dissipated and forecasters downgraded it to a tropical storm early today as it moved north away from the mid- Atlantic coast.

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(OCT. 13) UPI - A Kuwaiti woman on the latest freedom flight from the Mideast says she lived in fear of Iraqi troops in the last days before her release. She was among 257 refugees who arrived at Raleigh, North Carolina, on a flight that originated in Baghdad. The woman said after she fled Kuwait for Iraq she remained indoors most of the time to avoid Iraqi troops. Her husband remains in Kuwait.

Two Coast Guard aircraft is searched for a wildlife research plane missing over the Arctic Ocean north of Alaska. The chartered U-S Fish and Wildlife plane vanished Thursday some 250 miles northwest of Point Barrow, the northernmost point of land in the United States. The plane carried a pilot and two polar bear specialists.

Los Angeles police have NO motive in the slaying of a man killed by one of five passengers in his car who claimed the victim was hit by random gunfire on a freeway. Police say the passengers concocted the story to protect the shooter. Police said the passengers later changed their story and admitted the fatal shot was fired from inside the car.

A U-S study reveals a growing number of married women are having UNwanted pregnancies. The National Center for Health Statistics says recent increases in UNwanted child-bearing have been most pronounced for women living below the poverty level. Planned Parenthood officials blamed a drop in access to

reproductive health care for the increase in Unwanted pregnancies.

A firm specializing in armored cars for banks wants to custom-make a limousine for Russian leader Boris Yeltsin. Another state- owned firm refused the order because it lacked K-G-B approval. Yeltsin went back to work in Russia's parliament yesterday for the first time since he was hurt three weeks ago in a traffic accident in downtown Moscow.

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BERLIN (OCT. 13) UPI - German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's center-right party is expected to emerge as the big winner when 20 million Germans vote Sunday in the five new eastern German states and Bavaria.

The state elections will indicate the political trend for the Dec. 2 national election, in which voters will determine whether Kohl will remain German chancellor.

Recent opinion polls show that Kohl's popularity and that of his Christian Democratic Union have risen sharply as a result of his role in brining about the Oct. 3 unification of East and West Germany. Kohl was chancellor of West Germany prior to unification.

Sunday's elections will be held in six of the 16 states that now form the Federal Republic of Germany - the five former East German states and the southern state of Bavaria. Regional elections in unified Berlin will not be held until Dec. 2.

A recent opinion poll by Germany's Allensbach Institute showed Kohl's CDU leading strongly in four of the five new eastern German states. After the elections, state parliaments will assemble and elect an administration headed by a prime minister.

In Bavaria, the CDU's arch-conservative sister party, the Christian Social Union, is expected to lose one to five percent Sunday of the 55-percent majority it used to receive under the leadership of the late Bavarian Prime Minister Franz-Josef Strauss. Although a change of government is unlikely, the CSU which has ruled Bavaria for the last 33 years, may lose its absolute majority.

Contrary to the fierce battle for votes in Bavaria, campaigning in the five eastern states was markedly low-key. Many voters seemed more concerned with the economic crisis that has hit the five states since the monetary union with West Germany July 1 than with regional elections. Most of the candidates were relatively unknown to them.

Citizens of former East Germany already voted in national and local elections

this year and many regard the Dec. 2 general election as more important than Sunday's state elections. "Even if you don't vote SPD at least get out and vote on Sunday," said Manfred Stolpe, the SPD candidate for Prime Minister in Brandenburg.

The only politician able to draw crowds of more than 10,000 in eastern Germany during the campaign in past weeks was Kohl. Roadside posters showing a grinning Kohl under the motto "Chancellor for Germany" has proved to be one of the CDU's best campaign gimmick.

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LONDON (OCT. 13) UPI - British Prime Minister Margaret Hilda Thatcher turned 65 Saturday, celebrating with family at the prime minister's country residence Chequers.

Thatcher, unpopular in public opinion polls but firmly in control of the Conservative Party, has vowed to "go on and on," and said last month she may stay in office for five more years if the Conservatives win their fourth straight election.

On Friday, the party faithful at their annual conference in Bournemouth, gave Thatcher a nine-minute standing ovation and sang "Happy Birthday." Some chanted: "ten more years!"

The Guardian newspaper said some party officials are encouraging the theory that Thatcher, like Queen Victoria, will still hold power at the turn of the century.

While 60 is the normal retirement age for women in Britain (65 for men), Thatcher has no plans of stepping aside soon. "I am not immortal," she told a television interviewer in September in what wags called a major reversal for the "Iron Lady." "But I've got a lot left in me yet."

Several years ago, Thatcher talked of retiring at 65, but her belief that there is still so much to do and she is the one to do it, have pushed her retirement date to 1995.

Thatcher, elected in May 1979, is the first female prime minister. Her tenure at 10 Downing Street, the prime minister's London residence, is the longest consecutive period in power since Lord Liverpool governed from 1812-27.

Thatcher is also the first prime minister this century to win three consecutive general elections. The next election must be held by mid-1992, but the Conservatives are free to pick any date before then.

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#90286u0508 10/13/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 13) UPI - The Japanese news agency Kyodo reports Le Duc Tho... one of the key leaders who fought the United States to shape modern Vietnam... is dead. Tho suffered from throat cancer and died today at age 79 in a hospital in Hanoi. As a communist revolutionary... he had fought French colonialism since he was an adolescent. He negotiated an end to U-S involvement in the Vietnam War but refused to share the 1973 Nobel Peace Prize with Henry Kissinger.

A new budget plan has passed the Senate Finance Committee by a 15-5 vote. The plan approved this morning would increase taxes by 142-BILLION dollars over five years and cut Medicare by 49-BILLION. It does NOT include a capital gains tax cut combined with an income tax hike. Dissenters... like New Jersey Democrat Bill Bradley... said the plan hurts the middle class and elderly while giving tax breaks to wealthy oil and energy investors.

Hours after promising to fight to the death in Lebanon... renegade Christian General Michel Aoun has told his troops to surrender. Lebanese radio says a Syrian-backed attack drove Aoun from his Beirut headquarters to the French Embassy. Aoun narrowly avoided an assassination attempt yesterday. Aoun had refused since last year to recognize a Christian-Moslem agreement to settle Lebanon's civil war.

700 Kuwait officials, educators, and businessmen are gathered in Saudi Arabia today to discuss the future of their nation. The three-day meeting in Jeddah is meant to produce a statement concerning their Iraqi-occupied land. The Kuwaiti leadership hopes to focus simply on freeing the country. But there is a movement to shift Kuwait's future government toward democracy and away from monarchy.

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#90286u0510 10/13/1990 ~United Press International
ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (OCT. 13) UPI - Pakistan denied Saturday as baseless and malicious a U.S. news report it tried to buy sophisticated furnaces for use in making nuclear weapons. The Foreign Ministry said no Pakistani agency has contacted any U.S. firm for such purpose and no orders have been placed.

The Washington Post reported Wednesday that Pakistan tried at least three times this year through intermediaries in Europe and North America to purchase high-temperature furnaces that can be used to manufacture nuclear weapons.

The newspaper said it obtained documents that were furnished to Bush administration officials and congressional investigators that showed Pakistan tried to purchase two high temperature furnaces, which are made by the Consarc Corp. of Rancocas, N.J.

The Foreign Ministry blamed elements and groups in the United States who were trying to create and foster doubts about Pakistan's peaceful nuclear program.

Pakistan has long been suspected of trying to acquire nuclear weapons technology to maintain a balance of power with India, its foe in three wars. India exploded a nuclear device in 1974.

Islamabad has denied reports it is using a nuclear enrichment facility at Kahuta, about 25 miles east of the capital, to build a nuclear bomb but it has refused to allow internationa inspection of the plant.

There are proposals in the U.S. Congress to cut off about $600 million in annual aconomic and military aid to enforce U.S. policies against nuclear weapons proliferation. Pakistan's strategic value to Washington has been reduced sharply since last year's Soviet withdrawal of its troops from neighboring Afghanistan.

The furnaces in question, which cost $3 million each, could be used to melt zirconium, a sheathing material. Consarc had contracted to sell four less advanced furnaces to Iraq for $13 million but the deal was cancelled in July because of the furnaces' potential use in making nuclear weapons.

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#90286u0542 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, LEBANON (OCT. 13) UPI - Christian militia leader Michel Aoun ended his two-year mutiny Saturday, ordered his forces to surrender and sought refuge in the French Embassy in Beirut after Syrian-backed Lebanese government forces attacked his headquarters.

As tank-led ground forces advanced into Aoun's enclave and aircraft bombed the Baabda presidential palace that served as the maverick general's headquarters, President Elias Hrawi announced the success of the military operation that claimed at least 45 lives and wounded 255 others.

Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk Al Sharaa said the surrender of Aoun and his troops would help restore peace, security, and stability to Lebanon, where a civil war has been raging since 1975.

Shortly after the expected offensive began, Aoun fled to the French Embassy, announced his surrender and ordered his troops to obey the army commander, Gen. Emile Lahoud.

Aoun was granted political asylum to France, but official sources said Lebanese troops surrounded the French Embassy building in the Christian district of Hazmiyeh where Aoun remained holed up pending an expected government declaration on his fate.

The pro-Syrian leadership reportedly was demanding that the deposed general should refrain from engaging in political activity and deliver $75 million worth of government funds he had seized.

Aoun refused last year to recognize a Christian-Moslem agreement to settle Lebanon's 15-year-old civil war or to concede he is no longer head of a transitional government appointed by President Amin Gemayel Sept. 22, 1988, after Parliament failed to elect a successor.

His forces estimated to number 15,000 have been battling the presence of Syrian troops in Lebanon, a battle that resulted in more than 1,000 deaths last year. Aoun has also been engaged in a power struggle since last January with a rival Christian militia along a demarcation line splitting east Beirut.

In his surrender statement broadcast on his radio station, Aoun said: "In regard of the political and combat circumstances and in order to avert more bloodshed and more damage and save what has left, I call on the army command to obey orders by Gen. Emile Lahoud." The surrender occurred one day after Aoun escaped an assassination attempt and vowed to "fight to death" against the attack he said he expected.

Hrawi announced the success of the military operation and thanked the Syrian forces for backing the operation. "The military operation has been carried out swiftly," Hrawi said in a nationwide speech. "The legitimate forces with a grateful help of the brotherly Syrian forces carried out its sacred duties of protecting the country and the its institutions."

Hrawi said his government exhausted all means to end Aoun's mutiny peacefully and the military offensive was the last option. "The (military) option was difficult but inevitable," he said.

He called on all Lebanese, especially military personnel, to join "a national march aimed at restoring peace and stability and expanding the government authority on all Lebanese territories."

By late Saturday, officials said all regular units stationed in Aoun's enclave declared loyalty to Lahoud's command. Army Commander Lahoud inspected Baabda palace and the nearby Ministry of Defence as his tanks, flying white flags, manned the streets of the Christian enclave.

Officials said seven Syrian-manned and Soviet-made Sukhoi warplanes began a series of raids on Aoun's headquarters in the district of Baabda, 5 miles southeast of Beirut.

While the jets pounded Aoun's headquarters, thousands of Syrian-backed forces launched an offensive on Aoun's enclave, unleashing rockets and artillery shells. Large artillery blasts echoed across Beirut Saturday and many people in the Moslem sector of the city refrained from opening their businesses.

Presidential spokeswoman May Kahale said Aoun fled his bunker one hour after the start of the offensive and arrived in a tank along with a number of officers at the French Embassy.

Lebanese Prime Minister Selim Hoss who described the surrender as "historic," and congratulated the Lebanese people "for the end of their ordeal." "I thank God that this situation has been folded forever," he said. "We now have to heal our wounds and start a long-awaited march for peace and reconciliation."

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SARASOTA, FL (OCT. 13) UPI - Former CBS newscaster Douglas Edwards, who had been a continuous anchor longer than any other broadcast journalist before retiring in 1988, died Saturday after a two-year bout with cancer. He was 73.

Edwards' wife, May, said he died at home at 10:40 a.m. She said he had been undergoing treatment for cancer of the bladder since 1988, the year he retired. "He would be okay for a while and then he would get sick," she said. "I guess he's really been ill most of the two years since his retirement."

She said services for Edwards were scheduled for 3 p.m. Wednesday at the Church of the Palms in Sarasota and that Edwards was to be cremated. Edwards anchored a daily network television newscast without interruption from 1948 until his retirement.

"The trail he blazed at the dawn of television is one that broadcast journalists can follow with great confidence and enormous admiration," said Howard Stringer, president of teh CBS Broadcast Group. "His integrity, his dignity and innate gentleness made him a man for all our seasons."

Edwards had been a continuous anchor longer than any other broadcast journalist when he ended his career in journalism at the age of 70 on April 1, 1988, saing he intended to retire to Florida to write his memoirs.

"I've seen the whole span of electronic journalism," Edwards said proudly in a CBS interview on his last day on the job. "I have seen it all really from the time I got into this business at age 15 in, well, 1932 is when it was." Edwards described himself as both sad and "pepped up" about leaving CBS and said he would lecture and continue to write.

Edwards was the first anchor of a CBS News program for television, and the first of only three men to permanently anchor the evening news for the network. The other two are Walter Cronkite and Dan Rather.

"Because he was a pioneer and achieved so much as a professional, Douglas Edwards is in the pantheon of news broadcaster," Rather said upon learning of

Edwards' death. "Because of the kind of person he was - a man of unfailing decency and kindness - he is in our hearts forever."

Looking back over his almost 46-year career with CBS after his retirement, Edwards once said: "I think there were several real high spots. I've covered conventions, World War II in Europe with Ed Murrow, the sinking of the Andrea Doria - I happened to get a clean television newsbreak on that. I've covered floods and assassinations, the Nixon story.

"The story I liked very much was the announcement of the Salk vaccine. We went out with a camera crew and took our family doctor from Weston, Conn., and told the story of the Salk vaccine for polio and what it would mean to America's little folks. It was one of the nicest stories. "There aren't too many nice stories. America takes its good news for granted."

Among the most unforgettable people he encountered in his career he included Adlai Stevenson, Dwight Eisenhower, Edward R. Murrow, Winston Churchill, and Eleanor Roosevelt - "she really lit a candle."

"I interviewed her two or three times," Edwards said. "She was awfully good at television. She smiled a lot when she was talking about rather serious things and I found myself admiring that ability. One of my problems on televison has been smiling if I didn't have anything to smile about."

Edwards was born July 14, 1917, in Ada, Okla. He began his career as a radio reporter in Troy, Ala., when he was 15 and still in high school. After completing his education at the University of Alabama, Emory University and University of Georgia Evening College, he worked for radio stations in Atlanta and Detroit. He joined CBS Radio in New York in 1942.

He served with Murrow in Europe, then returned to New York in 1946 to anchor the "CBS World News Roundup." On Aug. 15, 1948, he began his anchor chores for CBS's first Monday-through-Friday evening news television program, "Douglas Edwards With The News," the forerunner of today's "CBS Evening News."

Its signal went out from a primitive studio in New York's Grand Central Terminal to five Eastern cities, and whenever trains looped under the railroad terminal, the picture would shake. Edwards anchored the program until 1962, when he moved to the CBS News daytime broadcasts and was succeeded by Cronkite on the evening news.

The CBS news correspondent at the time of his retirement anchored the midmorning edition of "Newsbreak" and the Sunday morning series, "For Our Times," which viewed the news from a religious and cultural perspective.

He retired after celebrations marking the 50th anniversary of the "World News Roundup," the country's oldest network radio newscast, which premiered on CBS March 13, 1938. He had reported on "World News Roundup" since joining CBS.

"Along with Dave Garroway and Ed Sullivan and Jack Webb and the other pioneers Doug ushered in the television era," said Don Hewitt, executive producer of 60 Minutes and associate director of the original Douglas Edwards With The News.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 14) UPI - Despite a 1988 federal law, toxic lead can still be found in many school drinking fountains in the Mid-Atlantic region, a published report said Saturday.

In a recent report, the Inspector General's Office of the Environmental Protection Agency's found that the EPA, states and local school districts are doing a poor job of implementing the laws, the Philadelphia Inquirer said.

''Our findings confirm that harmful amounts of lead exist in drinking water provided by schools,'' the report said.

The study covers schools in the EPA's Region 3, which includes Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia and Washington, D.C.

''We had a law passed in 1988 to protect kids in school from lead, and the EPA and the states have dropped the ball,'' said Erik Olsen, a lawyer with the National Wildlife Federation.

Exposure to the heavy metal can impair a child's neurological development and learning ability. Contamination has been a problem in some older models of water cooler that have lead-lined tanks, and the EPA has estimated that as many as 250,000 children across the nation may be drinking contaminated water.

The report said one unidentified Maryland school district found elevated levels of lead in 32 percent of its water coolers, with some found to have lead levels five times higher than the EPA standard.

In Philadelphia, 73 water coolers were tested for lead last year and 50 removed, but the report said school officials have filed to test more than 1,100 other water coolers.

Albert Dorsey, administrator of facilities for the Philadelphia School District, said the district has been waiting for the state to set up testing standards as required by the 1988 law.

Sean McIlhenny, an EPA spokesman, said the agency has been constrained in enforcing the Lead Contamination Control Act by a lack of resources and the way the law was written.

The law sets no penalties that could be levied to require compliance, and Congress has not allocated money to enforce it.

The inspector general's report criticized the EPA for not adequately enforcing a program to test water coolers for lead and not aggressively identifying water cooler models with lead lined tanks.

The report also criticized state agencies for not establishing programs to help schools and daycare centers deal with lead contamination, and local school districts for not adequately testing drinking water and for not sharing information on those tests with teachers and parents.

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#90286u0618 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 13) UPI - Rebel Christian militia leader Michel Aoun sought refuge in the French Embassy in Beirut today and surrendered in the face of an air and ground assault by Syrian-backed Lebanese forces. The surrender ended a two-year mutiny by Aoun, who called on his troops to pledge their loyalty to the Lebanese government. Aoun surrendered one day after surviving an assassination attempt.

The Senate Finance Committee voted 15-5 early today to approve a compromise five-year deficit-reduction plan that was put together to avoid a showdown with President Bush. The package includes 142-point- one-BILLION dollars in tax increases, but without a rise in tax rates on the wealthiest Americans or a cut in the capital gains tax. The bill also would cut Medicare by 48-point-nine-BILLION dollars.

Black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela personally intervened today after South African police fired tear gas and rubber bullets on African National Congress protesters. Six people were wounded in the confrontation in Soweto. Police say that as many as 35 people were arrested during the march but they were released after authorities talked with Mandela.

Between 20-thousand and 30-thousand people demonstrated in a Seoul park today to back demands for an end to alleged military surveillance of civilians. The rally was organized by nine organizations, including the part of opposition leader Kim Dae Jung, who entered the sixth day of a hunger strike to back political demands. An Army deserter disclosed the military spying on about 13-hundred noted civilians on October 4th.

Vietnamese officials say revolutionary leader Le Duc Tho- who refused to share a Nobel Peace Prize with Henry Kissinger- died today of cancer in Hanoi. He was 79. Long a heavy smoker, Tho had been ill for about a year with what Vietnamese sources said was throat cancer. Tho battled Kissinger- then U-S Secretary of State- in the negotiations that ended U-S involvement in Vietnam. The Nobel Peace Prize was awarded jointly to Kissinger and Tho on October 16th

1973. It was the most controversial award in the history of the prize, and two Nobel committee members resigned in protest.

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RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL (OCT. 13) UPI - Former Brazilian soccer superstar Edson Arantes do Nascimento, better known to sports fans as "Pele," says he will run for president in Brazil's national elections in 1994.

Pele, in training for a soccer match in Milan, Italy, Oct. 31 to commemorate his 50th birthday, told the newspaper Jornal do Brasil in an interview published Saturday he was ready to begin a political career.

"To be a candidate after (Fernando) Collor de Mello is a challenge that I would like to accept ... to be able to aid the Brazilian people; I have no reason to start lower than this (the presidency)," Pele said.

Pele, known as the "king" of soccer in his playing days, said that in his many travels around the world he had become convinced that the socialist countries have achieved "better distribution of the wealth." He said he favored a system of democratic socialism that would guarantee the right to education and public order.

Pele, who grew up in poverty in a small interior city where he worked as a shoeshine boy, burst into international soccer prominence at age 17 when he led the Brazilian national team to its first World Cup soccer championship in Stockholm, Sweden, in 1958.

The Brazilians went on to win two more championships in 1962 and in 1970, becoming the first team ever to win three championships and retaining permanent possession of the coveted Jules Rimet soccer cup.

Pele retired from active play with Santos, his local team in the Sao Paulo coastal city, and the Brazilian national team after playing in the first half of a game against Yugoslavia in 1971. He later went to New York where he played on the New York Cosmos from June 1975 until December 1977 when he retired from active play. In recent years, he has taken care of his business interests and investments from his base in Santos.

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#90286u0641 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (OCT. 13) UPI - At least 12 people were killed and 34 were injured Saturday when a geothermic well exploded beneath a village in western El Salvador, rescue workers said.

"Most of the dead are children," said Mario Medrano, a rescue worker for the

Salvadoran Red Cross in Ahuachapan province. He said at least 12 people were killed at the scene and hospitals in the area reported receiving at least 34 injured, most of them with serious burns.

Medrano called the explosion "a natural disaster" that occurred in the middle of the night at the village of El Barro, 45 miles west of San Salvador in the province of Ahuachapan. "About five families have been affected, Medrano told United Press International. "In some of them the whole family was lost."

El Barro is located in the edge of a government-run geothermical plant with more than 30 functioning wells. A plant technician contacted this Saturday morning by telephone said he had just returned from the site of the explosion and that at least 19 people were killed. A technician, who asked his name not be used, said the well that exploded had not been tapped.

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LONDON (OCT. 13) UPI - The Iraqi government agreed to release four British Moslems held hostage in Iraq after former pop singer Cat Stevens appealed to President Saddam Hussein on their behalf, the British Broadcasting Corp. reported Saturday

Stevens, who converted to Islam and now goes by the name Yusuf Islam, has been in Iraq trying to arrange the release of more than 40 people, including sick and elderly Britons, the BBC said, but apparently only was able to get permission for the four Moslems.

Their release, expected Sunday, would be the first of British men held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait since the Aug. 2 invasion. The four men were visiting religous shrines when the invasion took place and have been unable to leave.

On Sunday, former British Prime Minister Edward Heath is scheduled to meet Saddam Hussein in Baghdad. Heath is attempting to secure the release of sick Britons in Iraq.

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BUCHAREST, ROMANIA (OCT. 13) UPI - Some 1,000 companies from 42 countries Saturday began displaying their goods at the 16th Bucharest Trade Fair as Romanians flocked to the exhibits, underscoring the former East Bloc nation's moves toward a free market economy.

Thousands of Romanians, including Prime Minister Petre Roman, crowded the exhibits on the opening day of trade fair to catch a glimpse of Western products not available in Romania.

Hundreds of curious teenagers jammed the entrance to the Japanese motorbike showroom and clustered round new Renault cars. "We always used to come to the trade fair, but when we saw all the Romanian goods for export, which we could never touch, it used to leave a nasty taste in our mouths," said 21-year-old student Mirea Vladescu.

A spokesman for the Agency for the Promotion of Foreign Investment and Economic Assistance admitted Romania faces huge obstacles as it moves from a state-planned economy to a free-market system.

"The ambitious intentions of our government are at odds with people's general understanding of trade. Ordinary people are not daring and don't have the guts to try something," said public relations chief Mircea Panzer. "Our task is to convince them to have courage to start up business because the treasury can't support inactivity any more."

The agency is currently drawing up legislation, due to be presented to Parliament next week, which will establish guidelines for the relationship between Romania and foreign companies.

Panza revealed most foreign capital in Romania currently comes from Germany and accused Romania's competitors in Eastern Europe of fighting a dirty battle for foreign investment. "Throughout Eastern Europe there's a struggle to compete for these funds, mostly from Germany," Panza said.

"When the west sees riots and miners on the streets they won't invest. These disturbances are initiated by our rivals in an economic war of propaganda," he asserted, referring to recent unrest by students and others who ousted dicator Nicolae Ceausescu on Dec. 22, 1989, but who remain disillusioned with the current government.

The frequent demonstrations in Bucharest have been spurred by the feeling that the thunder of last year's revolution has been stolen by former associates of the slain ruler, such as President Ion Ileiscu, who have retained their grip on power.

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#90286u0764 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 13) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev ordered a halt Saturday to local decisions to dismantle statues of Soviet state founder Vladimir Lenin. Since July, Lenin monuments have been toppled and removed from a growing number of town squares on orders of local city councils.

But outright vandalism also has been spreading including a destruction Saturday of the pedestal of the "eternal flame" monument in the Ukrainian city of Donetsk. The monument honors the Soviet fallen of World War II.

Gorbachev's presidential decree said the "outrages against the founder of the Soviet state" and other historical figures and symbols had to stop.

The decree ordered "the KGB, Ministry of Interior police and the procurator (or chief legal officer) to take the necessary measures to bring an end to the vandalism and to prosecute those disobeying the law."

The decree went into effect with its publication late Saturday perhaps occasioned by the vandalism earlier in the night to the sacred World War II memorial in Donetsk.

But the measure was directed overall against the decisions by the city Soviets giving the green light to tearing down the Lenin monuments in their municipalites.

The decree "supsended the carrying out of decisions by republican and local authorities to raze, move to another site or alter the monuments" to Lenin.

Lenin's statues started coming down in July after the 28th Party Congress ruled that he was only one in a long line of outstanding socialist thinkers and not the omniscient theorist as long taught in Soviet schools. The assault on the ubiquitous Lenin monuments also stems from the Communist Party's decision in February to abandon its guaranteed one-party rule.

But the chief spur to the anti-Communist anger in the nation are the now openly read and published exposes, such as the "Gulag Archipelago" by Alexander Solzhenitsyn showing Lenin and not Josef Stalin as the founder of the Soviet labor camp system and the "Red Terror" of the 1920s.

The Gudok newspaper last week reported how one Lenin statue came down in an town it did not name. "Lenin's statue was thrown down from its pedestal to the accompaniment of whooping," Gudok said. "And in the next moment with sadistic pleasure the crowd was sawing off its head." "They then wrote on the body: 'this will happen to each of the Communists.'"

Although the first Lenin statue was razed in July in the small Ukrainian town of Ternopol, the demolitions have spread to republican capitals like Tbilisi in Georgia. The Rukh nationalist movement in the Ukrained has demanded that at least one of Lenin's two giant statutes in Kiev also be pulled down.

Lenin's popularity in a quirk of perestroika has plummeted while that of the last Romanov czar, Nicholas II, has been rising as part of a movement of nationwide soul searching, historical reawakening and search for Russian roots.

This month, the Russian church was given the Sverdlovsk site where the czar and his family were executed with the goal of building some sort of shrine there.

At about the same time, theater and movie director Mark Zakharov was renewing his call that Lenin be removed from the Lenin Mausoleum in Red Square and that the site be turned into a museum of returned party membership cards.

One columnist in the Vechernaya Moskva newspaper suggested last week that Lenin's statues should not be destroyed but be "sold to eccentric collectors for good money."

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#90286u0807 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

GETTYSBURG, PA (OCT. 13) UPI - Former President Dwight D. Eisenhower's legacy will be remembered through a new prize for young leaders in a variety of fields, former President Gerald Ford announced Saturday.

Ford, who will be one of the featured speakers Sunday at a ceremony marking the centennial of Eisenhower's birth, said the first Eisenhower Leadership Prize will be awarded a year from now.

"This award is not reserved exclusively for high-profile leaders," Ford said at a news conference, "but may be given to individuals who have not previously been recognized for their activities."

The $25,000 prize, to be administered by Gettysburg College, will be funded from an endowment to the college by an anonymous donor. Each recipient will be asked to spend several days at the college lecturing on leadership, officials said.

"One major purpose of the prize is to demonstrate that leadership is not restricted to political or military endeavors but must also occur in research, education, social work and other fields," said college President Gordon Haaland.

The prize will be awarded by a committee headed by Texas businessman H. Ross Perot, former Secretary of Transportation Drew Lewis and historian David Eisenhower, Ike's grandson.

The young Eisenhower said the creation of the prize fulfills the goal of the centennial planning committee to create a lasting tribute to the former general and president's ideals. "The Eisenhower Prize cements the connection between Dwight D. Eisenhower and the Battle of Gettysburg," he said.

Eisenhower and his wife Mamie purchased a farm near the Civil War battlefield at Gettysburg in 1951, and the couple retired there ten years later after Eisenhower's term as president.

The Eisenhower farm is now a national historical site, and the National Park Service will Sunday reopen its guest house to tourists after a renovation.

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#90286u0820 10/13/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 13) UPI - ''I believe we've done the job.'' Those were the words of Senate Finance Committee Chairman Lloyd Bentsen after the panel early today approved a compromise five-year deficit-reduction plan crafted to avoid a showdown with President Bush. The package includes 142-BILLION dollars in new taxes and nearly 49-BILLION dollars in cuts in Medicare. But the plan does NOT include the contentious proposal for a tax rate hike for the wealthy coupled with the capital gains tax cut that President Bush covets.

Lebanon's maverick Christian General Michel Aoun has ended his bloody two-year power struggle against the government of President Elias Hrawi. Aoun ordered his forces to surrender and sought refuge in the French Embassy as Syrian-backed Lebanese government forces closed in on his enclave. Hospital sources put the casualty toll in the latest violence at 15 dead and 110 wounded.

Six horses carried the flag-drapped coffin of Egypt's slain parliament speaker today during a funeral procession in a Cairo suburb. President Hosni Mubarak and senior government officials led thousands of mourners in a solemn service for Rifaat El Mahgoub, the number two man in Egypt behind Mubarak. He was gunned down yesterday in downtown Cairo by machine-gun wielding assassins.

Thousands of Iraqi children waved empty milk bottles in the air today in a protest in Baghdad against U-N economic sanctions. Iraq has condemned the sanctions for trying ''to starve Iraqi children.'' The government-organized demonstration came one day after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein told Iraqi children in a broadcast address to try to do ''without sweets, because they are bad for your beautiful teeth.''

The U-N Security Council approved a resolution condemning acts of violence by Israeli forces in Monday's bloody riots in Jerusalem's Old City. Police killed at least 20 Palestinians during the disturbance on the Temple Mount. The resolution passed 15-0 late yesterday after five days of intense discussion. But Israel today denounced the resolution, charging that the world body has fallen into a ''trap'' laid by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

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#90286u0834 10/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 14) UPI - Most Americans think the slaying of 21 Palestinian demonstrators was uncalled for earlier this week, according to a Newsweek poll released Saturday.

More than half of the 757 people interviewed by telephone Thursday and Friday, about 56 percent, said they thought the use of live ammunition against the

rock throwers Monday was an overreaction.

At the same time, 46 percent said they were less sympathetic to Israel and 43 percent said they were less sympathetic to the Palestinian position than they were a year ago, according to the poll to be published in Sunday's editions of the weekly newsmagazine.

The poll also said 78 percent think Israel's occupation of the West Bank and creation of a Palestinian state should remain a separate issue from the current Gulf crisis. Only 9 percent thought it should be part of an overall diplomatic solution.

The survey said 60 percent think the United States should apply pressure on Israel to compromise in order to achieve peace in the region, while 49 percent do not think the U.S. should favor a Palestinian satate.

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#90286u0850 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon (OCT. 14) UPI - Christian militia leader Michel Aoun ended his two-year mutiny Saturday, ordered his forces to surrender and sought refuge in the French Embassy in Beirut after Syrian-backed Lebanese government forces attacked his headquarters.

As tank-led ground forces advanced into Aoun's enclave and aircraft bombed the Baabda presidential palace that served as the maverick general's headquarters, President Elias Hrawi announced the success of the military operation that claimed at least 45 lives and wounded 255 others.

Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk Al Sharaa said the surrender of Aoun and his troops would help restore peace, security and stability to Lebanon, where a civil war has been raging since 1975.

Shortly after the expected offensive began, Aoun fled to the French Embassy, announced his surrender and ordered his troops to obey the army commander, Gen. Emil Lahhoud.

Aoun was granted political asylum, but official sources said Lebanese troops surrounded the French Embassy building in the Christian district of Hazmiyeh where Aoun remained holed up pending an expected government declaration on his fate.

The pro-Syrian leadership reportedly was demanding that the deposed general should refrain from engaging in political activity and deliver $15 million worth of government funds he had seized.

Aoun refused last year to recognize a Christian-Moslem agreement to settle Lebanon's 15-year-old civil war or to concede he is no longer head of a

transitional government appointed by President Amin Gemayel Sept. 22, 1988, after Parliament failed to elect a successor.

His forces estimated to number 15,000 have been battling the presence of Syrian troops in Lebanon, a battle that resulted in more than 1,000 deaths last year. Aoun has also been engaged in a power struggle since last January with a rival Christian militia along a demarcation line splitting east Beirut.

In his surrender statement broadcast on his radio station, Aoun said: ''In regard of the political and combat circumstances and in order to avert more bloodshed and more damage and save what has left, I call on the army command to obey orders by Gen. Emile Lahoud.''

The surrender occurred one day after Aoun escaped an assassination attempt and vowed to ''fight to death'' against the attack he said he expected.

Hrawi announced the success of the military operation and thanked the Syrian forces for backing the operation.

''The military operation has been carried out swiftly,'' Hrawi said in a nationwide speech. ''The legitimate forces with a grateful help of the brotherly Syrian forces carried out its sacred duties of protecting the country and the its institutions.''

Hrawi said his government exhausted all means to end Aoun's mutiny peacefully and the military offensive was the last option.

''The (military) option was difficult but inevitable,'' he said.

He called on all Lebanese, especially military personnel, to join ''a national march aimed at restoring peace and stability and expanding the government authority on all Lebanese territories.''

By late Saturday, officials said all regular units stationed in Aoun's enclavedeclared loyalty to Lahoud's command.

Army Commander Lahoud inspected Baabda palace and the nearby Ministry of Defence as his tanks, flying white flags, manned the streets of the Christian enclave.

Officials said seven Syrian-manned and Soviet-made Sukhoi warplanes began a series of raids on Aoun's headquarters in the district of Baabda, 5 miles southeast of Beirut.

While the jets pounded Aoun's headquarters, thousands of Syrian- backed forces launched an offensive on Aoun's enclave, unleashing rockets and artillery shells.

Large artillery blasts echoed across Beirut Saturday and many people in the Moslem sector of the city refrained from opening their businesses.

Presidential spokeswoman May Kahale said Aoun fled his bunker one hour after the start of the offensive and arrived in a tank along with a number of officers at the French Embassy.

Lebanese Prime Minister Selim Hoss who described the surrender as ''historic '' and congratulated the Lebanese people ''for the end of their ordeal.''

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#90286u0867 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 14) UPI - Delaware Republican Senate candidate Jane Brady is spurning television commercials in her race against Sen. Joseph Biden, choosing instead to send her video message directly into the homes of 40,000 voters.

Brady will mail to selected households 10-minute videotapes outlining her platform and blasting Biden for the plagarism problems that derailed his presidential bid in 1987.

Brady, a former Sussex County prosecutor, said her campaign decided to go with the videotape partly for economic reasons in the small state dominated by big-city television markets.

''It's much cheaper, and you can be on TV with a videotape more than once with the same initial capital outlay,'' Brady said. ''They (viewers) can give it to their friends, and have their friends come over and watch it.''

The Delaware television market is dominated by Philadelphia television stations, and Brady said she decided the cost of buying time on those outlets is not worth the likely return.

The videotape will cost about $80,000 to produce and mail, said Brady, whose campaign has to date raised only $200,000.

The tape outlines, through clips from network newscasts and analyses, Biden's troubles during his presidential bid.

''We've got network newscasters and analysts talking in 1987 about how he committed plagarism in law school and admitted he used other people's speeches '' Brady said.

Biden's campaign for the Democratic nomination for president was derailed after it was learned he cribbed political rhetoric from a television commercial made by British Labor Party leader Neil Kinnock, plagarized part of a paper while a student at Syracuse University law school, and embellished his academic record.

Biden said at the time he halted his Democratic presidential bid to devote his energy as Senate Judiciary Committee chairman to defeating the politically charged Supreme Court nomination of Judge Robert Bork.

Brady maintains the plagarism episodes and the Bork nomination show Biden's problems with character, an issue on which she believes he is vulnerable.

''I hear people saying he's been there (in Congress) too long, that he embarrassed this state in 1987 ... and they are upset about the way he treated Bork,'' Brady said.

''Two of the three relate to his character and the way he conducts himself,'' she said. ''I really hadn't expected there to be such a groundswell of that opinion out there.''

Biden's campaign spokesman did not return phone calls asking for a comment on the videotape.

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#90286u0992 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 14) UPI - The heads of the Soviet Union's republics met with Mikhail Gorbachev Saturday and agreed on the need for a transition to a market-based economy, the official Tass news agency said.

Only the presidents of the three Baltic republics did not attend the discussions on the market plan that is to be discussed in Parliament Monday.

The heads of the other 12 republics agreed on the need to move to the new system with the implementation of the program to be shared by the republics and local regions, Tass said.

The agreement by the republican chiefs removes a big hurdle for Gorbachev on the implementation of some sort of transition to a market economy.

Tass reporting on the Saturday meeting said:

''Participants in the meeting came to the unanimous conclusion that on the union level within the framework of the Soviet Parliament it was necesasry to adopt the guidelines of the transition to a market-oriented system, which will be specified in the process of implementation by the union authorities and by the authorities of the Union and Autonomous Republics as well as local regions.''

Because Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania have declared they want out of the Soviet Union, their leaders did not attend the the meeting with Gorbachev on the new economic system that is to replace central planning.

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#90286u1012 10/13/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 14) UPI - DIGEST:

Auto Racing

Italian surgeons in Florence re-attached the severed right arm of Italian Formula One driver Alessandro Nannini in a 10-hour operation Saturday but warned he still runs the risk of amputation. The 31-year- old's arm was wrenched off below the elbow in a crash of his brand-new helicopter as it attempted a landing in the cleared section of a vineyard outside his parents' villa in central Italy Friday.

Baseball

The New York Mets named Gerry Hunsicker director of baseball operations, replacing Joe McIlvaine, who resigned last month to become the San Diego Padres' general manager. Hunsicker had been in charge of the Mets' minor league system for the past two years.

Golf

Cathy Gerring fired her third straight round of 69 Saturday to build a three-stroke lead after the third round of the inaugural $325,000 LPGA Trophee Urban World Championships in Paris, France. Gerring is 9-under- par 207 heading into Sunday's final round. Betsy King also shot 69 to move into second and Beth Daniel, the LPGA's top money winner this year, had a 66 and trails Gerring by four strokes.

Defending champion Ireland will meet England in the Dunhill Cup finals at St. Andrew's, Scotland. Ireland advanced to the title match with a 2-1 victory over New Zeeland and England edged Japan following a marathon playoff.

Soccer

Pele, who led Brazil to three World Cup chamionships, said he will run for president of Brazil in 1994. He said he favored a system of democratic socialism that would guarantee the right to education and public order. ... The Italian League Disciplinary Committee disqualified Roma's veteran international striker Andrea Carnevale and 20-year-old goalkeeper Angelo Peruzzi for one year Saturday in Italy's worst case of illicit substance abuse in soccer in 26 years. Roma was fined $130,000. The tests of their urine samples, confirmed Monday, found traces of Fentermina, a form of amphetamine which is on the banned list of the International Olympic Committee (IOC). The substance is contained in Lipopill, a precription diet drug.

Road Running

Two-time Olympic champion Waldemar Cierpinski will join four-time New York Marathon champion Bill Rodgers, and past New York winners, Rodolfo Gomez of Mexico and Jukka Toivola of Finland in the masters division for the 21st New York City Marathon on Nov. 4.

Tennis

Top seeds Steffi Graf and Gabriela Sabatini advanced to Sunday's final of the $350,000 European Indoor Tennis Championshipo in Zurich, Switzerland. In a three-hour match, Sabatini struggled to a 6-7 (5-7), 7-5, 7-6 (7-4) victory over fourth-seeded Jana Novotna of Czechoslovakia. The world No. 1 from Germany overcame some inconsistent play to defeat Manuela Maleeva of Switzerland 6-7, 6-2, 6-3 and set up the rematch of U.S. Open finalists. ... No. 3 seed Ivan Lendl and No. 2 Boris Becker reached the Sunday final of the $1 million indoor Seiko Super tournament at Tokyo. In semifinals, Becker beat No. 11 Richey Reneberg and Lendl beat top-seeded Stefan Edberg, reversing the outcome of their meeting last week in the semfinals at Sydney, Australia.

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#90286u1237 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 13) UPI - Interior Ministry sources in Egypt say yesterday's machine-gun assassination of the Egyptian Speaker of Parliament was the work of a well-trained terrorist group. The sources say police are investigating a blood-stained motorcyle found abandoned in northern Cairo. The assassins were riding motorcycles when they made the hit.

The U-N embargo against Iraq is making food and other goods increasingly scarce and prompting the government to organize anti- American and anti-British demonstrations. Thousands of Iraqi children chanting slogans and waving empty milk containers marched on the British Embassy today in Baghdad to protest the embargo.

Lebanese Prime Minister Selim Hoss describes today's surrender of maverick General Michel Aoun as ''historic'' and said Lebanon can now began a long-awaited march for peach and reconciliation. Aoun fled his bunker for the French Embassy shortly after Syrian-backed jets began pounding his headquarters.

A published report says toxic lead can still be found in many school drinking fountains in the mid-Atlantic region, despite a 1988 federal law to protect school children. The Philadelphia Inquirer says a report by the E-P-A's Inspector General's Office found that the E-P-A, states and local school districts are doing a poor job of implementing the laws.

In the Philippines, authorities are reporting NO damage or injuries from a

mild earthquake that struck the central island of Negros today. Authorities say the temblor measured five-point-seven on the Richter scale and was centered in the Negros trench in the Pacific, 300 miles south of Manila.

Vice President Quayle campaigned in southeast Ohio today for Republican gubernatorial nominee George Voinovich. Quayle and Voinovich unveiled a bicentennial statue in downtown Gallipolis... telling about 400 on-lookers that the French settlers in the area represented the true spirit of America.

Pakistan today denied a U-S news report that it tried to buy sophisticated furnaces for use in making nuclear weapons. The Pakistani Foreign Ministry called the report baseless and malicious. The Foreign Ministry said NO Pakistani agency has contacted any U-S firm for such purpose and NO orders have been placed.

British Prime Minister Thatcher turned 65 today. The British leader celebrated her birthday with family at her country residence, Chequers. While 60 is the normal retirement age for women in Britain, Thatcher has NO plans of stepping aside soon. She has vowed to ''go on and on,'' and says she may stay in office for five more years.

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(OCT. 14) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE U.S.A.:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	78	41	....
Anchorage fl	37	24	.11
Asheville pc	74	62	.04
Atlanta sy	77	61	....
Baltimore pc	82	70	.13
Billings pc	58	42	....
Birmingham sy	67	57	....
Bismarck w	59	41	....
Boston mc	73	62	.29
Brownsville sy	85	59	....
Buffalo pc	54	50	.08
Burlington Vt. mc	74	55	.85
Charleston S.C. sy	82	69	....
Charlotte pc	72	65	.43
Chicago pc	64	40	....
Cincinnati pc	61	52	....
Cleveland pc	57	54	.16
Columbus Ohio pc	57	52	.06
Dallas sy	81	49	....
Denver pc	74	39	....
Des Moines pc	67	36	....

Detroit w	64	37	....
Duluth rn	58	41	....
El Paso f	83	43	....
Evansville sy	72	42	....
Fargo w	65	45	....
Hartford mc	74	69	2.15
Honolulu pc	88	75	....
Houston sy	80	47	....
Indianapolis pc	67	37	....
Jackson Miss. f	77	43	....
Jacksonville cy	88	68	.71
Kansas City sy	72	42	....
Las Vegas sy	88	51	....
Little Rock sy	73	50	....
Los Angeles f	72	60	....
Louisville sy	66	50	....
Memphis sy	73	48	....
Miami Beach sy	88	77	....
Milwaukee sh	60	44	....
Minneapolis w	63	43	....
Nashville sy	72	52	....
New Orleans sy	79	50	....
New York pc	74	69	.40
Oklahoma City sy	75	47	....
Omaha pc	71	46	....
Orlando pc	89	72	....
Philadelphia pc	85	68	.02
Phoenix sy	92	61	....
Pittsburgh pc	64	58	.01
Portland Me. rn	66	58	.86
Portland Ore. rn	63	51	....
Providence mc	73	68	.71
Richmond pc	85	69	.03
St. Louis sy	71	45	....
Salt Lake City f	68	46	....
San Antonio sy	81	51	....
San Diego pc	72	62	....
San Francisco f	71	55	....
San Juan pc	91	77	....
Seattle r	60	47	....
Spokane cy	55	37	....
Tampa pc	87	72	....
Washington pc	81	72	.05
Wichita w	74	43	....

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fl-flurries

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

pc-partly cloudy

mc-mostly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

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#90286u1418 10/13/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 14) UPI - Apparently the No. 1 rating doesn't agree with the Michigan Wolverines.

Desmond Howard dropped a two-point conversion pass with six seconds remaining Saturday, allowing Michigan State to emerge with a 28-27 upset over the top-ranked Wolverines.

Michigan's loss means that for the second straight time, the Wolverines' term at the top of the United Press International ratings lasted only one game. The last time Michigan was ranked No. 1 was in the 1981 preseason poll, and the Wolverines lost their opener to Wisconsin.

''I don't think we were looking ahead to No. 1,'' Michigan Coach Gary Moeller said. ''On the final touchdown drive I don't think our kids quit and I don't

think they'll quit now.''

Michigan was elevated to No. 1 last week when both Notre Dame and Florida State lost. The loss means the No. 1 rating will change for the third time this season. No. 2 Nebraska and No. 3 Virginia, both undefeated, are the leading candidates.

With Michigan State leading 28-21, Michigan drove 69 yards to pull within a point when Elvis Grbac hit Derrick Alexander with an 8-yard scoring pass.

Michigan took a timeout to discuss the conversion and opted to go for the win. Grbac threw to the left side of the end zone for Howard, who had a step on Michigan State's Eddie Brown, but was tripped up by the defender and never controlled the ball, which popped out as he hit the ground.

''I felt I caught the ball, but the ref said no and I have to live with that '' Howard said.

Brown said he was somewhat surprised there was no flag on the play.

Tico Duckett gave the Spartans a 28-21 lead when he scored on a 9- yard run with 1:59 remaining. The drive was kept alive by a 15-yard face-mask penalty against Michigan's Martin Davis when he tackled quarterback Dan Enos after a 4-yard gain on third-and-8 from the Michigan 41. The penalty gave Michigan State a first down at the 22.

Five plays later, Duckett burst over left tackle for the touchdown. John Langeloh, who broke the Spartans' career scoring record earlier in the game, added the decisive extra point.

Michigan State took a 21-14 lead on Hyland Hickson's 26-yard run with 6:03 remaining. Hickson's second TD of the game ended a 69-yard drive that started with an interception by Mike Iaquaniello that gave the Spartans the ball with 8:39 left.

However, Howard returned the ensuing kickoff 95 yards for a TD to tie the game. Howard burst down the left sideline, eluded several Michigan State players and cut back across the field to score.

--- AROUND THE COLLEGE SCENE ---

In other games involving the Top 10, No. 2 Nebraska blasted Missouri 69-21, No. 3 Virginia blanked North Carolina State 31-0, No. 4 Miami whitewashed Kansas 34-0, No. 5 Tennessee ripped Florida 45-3, No. 6 Auburn pummelled Vanderbilt 56-6, No. 7 Notre Dame grounded Air Force 57-27, No. 9 Brigham Young crushed Colorado State 52-9 and No. 10 Southern Cal beat Stanford 37-22.

Also, No. 11 Colorado topped Iowa State 28-12, No. 12 Illinois shut out Purdue

34-0, No. 13 Washington beat Oregon 38-17, No. 15 Georgia Tech edged No. 14 Clemson 21-19, Houston outlasted No. 16 Texas A&M 36- 31, No. 18 Indiana tied Ohio State 27-27, No. 19 Wyoming nipped New Mexico 25-22, co-No. 20 Mississippi thumped Georgia 28-12, Oregon State toppled co-No. 20 Arizona 35-21, No. 22 Texas held off Oklahoma 14-13, Texas Tech upended No. 23 Arkansas 49-44, No. 24 Iowa defeated Wisconsin 30-10 and No. 25 Texas Christian popped Rice 38-28.

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#90286u1432 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 13) UPI - P-L-O chief Yasser Arafat denounced the assassination of the speaker of the Egyptian parliament. Arafat sent a telegram to Egypt's president, as Egyptian security officials said the slaying was the work of a well-trained terrorist organization. Egypt last week accused Iraq of sending Palestinian terrorists into Egypt with a hit list of leaders because of their support for U-N sanctions against Iraq.

The French defense minister flew to Saudi Arabia today to oversee the arrival of the last of the French forces and combat aircraft being deployed in the region. France has an estimated five-thousand men based in Saudi Arabia as part of the U-S-led multi-national military buildup in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait two-and-a-half months ago.

Lebanese renegade General Michel Auon fled to the French Embassy in Beirut today after ordering his forces to surrender. The end to Auon's two-year mutiny came after Syrian-backed Lebanese government forces attacked his headquarters. Aoun was granted political asylum. But official sources say Lebanese troops have surrounded the French Embassy building... pending an expected government declaration on his fate.

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#90286u1435 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 13) UPI - Germany's interior minister is reported in ''satisfactory and stable'' condition today after under going surgery for wounds suffered in a shooting last night. Wolfgang Schaeuble... a close aide to Chancellor Helmut Kohl... was seriously injured when a gunman fired three shots at him following a campaign rally in southern Germany. The gunman was arrested. He is described by police as a convicted felon, known drug addict and is believed to suffer from mental disorders.

Soviet President Gorbachev is ordering a halt to the dismantling of statues of the nation's founder, Vladimir Lenin. Lenin monuments have been toppled and removed from a number of town squares since July by the order of local councils. Other Lenin monuments have been vandalized. Gorbachev issued a presidential decree today, saying the outrages against Lenin and other historical figures and symbols must stop.

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#90286u1592 10/13/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 13) UPI - The extreme southern coast of Virginia was under a tropical storm warning as Tropical Storm Lili veered away from the Mid-Atlantic coast today. A tropical storm watch was in effect for the remainder of the Virginia coast, as well as the coasts of Delaware and Maryland. The remnants of two earlier storms swamped states from the Carolinas to Pennsylvania with floodwaters.

A 49-year-old Kawkawlin, Michigan, woman became an instant Millionaire yesterday- for a few hours. McDonald's restaurants identified Thelma Bellows as the winner of 10-Million dollars in its ''McMillions on N-B-C'' promotion. But Bellows was later declared ineligible because she has a daughter who works for McDonald's. Contest rules say immediate family members of McDonald's employees are ineligible.

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#90286u1775 10/13/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 13) UPI - Official sources in Lebanon say government soldiers surrounded the French Embassy in Beirut where renegade Christian leader Michel Aoun was holed up after being chased out of his enclave by a Syrian-supported military attack.

A telephone survey of 757 Americans released today reveals a dip in U-S sympathy toward Israel. 46 percent of the people say they're less sympathetic to the Jewish state than they were one year ago.

The chairman of the Senate Finance Committee says he believes the group has done its job concerning the budget. The committee early this morning approved a compromise five-year deficit reduction plan designed to avoid a showdown with President Bush.

An UNdisclosed number of suspects were arrested in Egypt today in connection with yesterday's assassination of the speaker of Parliament. Thousands of mourners turned out for his funeral today in suburban Cairo.

Kuwaiti officials and other refugees from the Iraqi-occupied nation opened a three-day conference in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, today to discuss strategy in the fight to regain their homeland. One speaker said there could be NO compromise with Iraq.

Two groups that fight government repression in Guatemala and Sri Lanka were named recipients of the fifth annual Carter- Menil Human Rights Prize. Former President Jimmy Carter... co-founder of the award... made the announcement today in Atlanta. .

Former President Gerald Ford was in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, today where he announced the creation of a new prize named for Dwight D. Eisenhower. Ford says the first Eisenhower Leadership Award for young leaders will be handed out one year from now.

More than 200 earthen architecture specialists from 40 countries will gather in Las Cruces, New Mexico, tomorrow for a week-long conference that'll celebrate mud. The specialists will share research on preserving adobe structures.

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#90286u1893 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 13) UPI - Israel is angry that the U-N Security Council voted to condemn the killings of at least 20 Palestinains by Israeli security forces in Jerusalem's Old City this week. Israeli officials say with the unanimous vote against their country, the world body has fallen into a trap laid by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. They charge Hussein planned the rock-throwing demonstration that sparked the shootings to divert attention from the Persian Gulf crisis.

More than 12-hundred Kuwaiti government officials, businessmen, refugees and other Arab observers gathered in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, today for the start of a three-day conference to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. The meeting has a high aim of developing a strategy to chase Iraq out of Kuwait. Kuwaiti officials pledged to install a more democratic government when they return to their homeland.

The official Soviet news agency Tass says leaders of 12 of the nation's 15 republics agreed today on a need to switch to a market-based economy. The agreement came during a Moscow meeting with Soviet President Gorbachev. It removes a big hurdle for Gorbachev on the implementation of the program to be discussed in Parliament Monday. The presidents of the three Baltic republics did NOT attend the meeting.

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#90286u1900 10/13/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 13) UPI - The Delaware Republican Senate candidate challenging Democratic incumbent Joseph Biden is spurning television commercials and taking her message directly to the homes of viewers. Jane Brady is mailing out 10-minute videotaped messages to 40-thousand voters... saying it's cheaper than buying television time in the state dominated by big-city t-v markets. Brady's tape will outline her platform and blast Biden for the plagiarism problems that torpedoed his presidential bid in 1987.

The conservative party led by West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl is expected

to be the big winner tomorrow in elections to be held in the five new German states and Bavaria. 20-Million Germans will go to the polls at a time when surveys show Kohl's popularity has risen sharply. Tomorrow's state elections are expected to indicate the political trend for the December 2nd national balloting.

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#90286x1019 10/13/1990 ~Comtex

JEDDAH, Saudi Arabia (OCT. 14) UPI - Kuwaiti Prime Minister Sheik Saad Al-Sabah pledged a return to a more democratic government in a liberated Kuwait, a move that was quickly embraced by the budding opposition at a conference on how to toss out the Iraqi invaders.

Speaking to a gathering of more than 1,200 Kuwaiti government officials, businessmen, educators, resistance members and observers from the Arab world, Saad opened the three-day meeting with the promise to return to the 1962 constitution with a national assembly to handle legislative matters.

''The objectives we are working for are lofty and momentus. After victory and the withdrawal of the invaders, Kuwait ... the whole Kuwaiti nation under the Constitution of 1962 will consolidate democracy and deepen popular participation, which remains an objective we all work for and endeavor to accomplish,'' he said.

Kuwait's elective national assembly was suspended in 1986 after its actions and rhetoric toward Iran, government sources said, made the government edgy about Iranian retaliation for Kuwait's aid to Iraq during the Iran-Iraq Gulf war. Last July a constituent assembly was elected to begin exploring ways for greater democratization, a move abruptly cut off by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion.

Ahmed Al-Soudoon, speaker of the Parliament that was dissolved in 1986 and a leading member of the constitutional movement in Kuwait, was pleased at the announcement by Saad, also the crown prince and second senior member of the ruling Sabah family. The emir's remarks were more muted but suggested a similar frame of mind.

''I would like to interpret it rather optimistically,'' said Soudoon. ''It is a definite, firm answer that there will be a full return to the constitutional legitimacy represented by the Parliament. ... There will be elections held after the liberation of Kuwait. ... It was quite obvious that after the liberation there will be a full return to the '62 constitution.''

The outcome of the conference _ where some spoke openly of the possibility of a war _ was likely to be watched closely by the United States, which was at the fore in rushing troops into Saudi Arabia after the invasion and would likely lead any military action.

And it also was expected to be monitored closely by Arab nations because of the ground it was breaking in furthering democracy and because of likely advances in women's rights. Kuwait, along with Jordan, is the most liberal of Arab societies and women hold many professional and government posts. There has been talk of granting women the right to vote in Kuwait.

Out of deference to Saudi women, who lead far more private lives, most Kuwaiti women remained away from the meeting.

The Secretary General of the Gulf Cooperation Council, an economic coalition of gulf nations, told reporters the gathering was said the gathering was ''a historic conference in every aspect'' and would deal with the liberation of Kuwait, democracy and women's issues.

He declared that there can be ''no compromise'' with Iraq and that ''gradualism'' in terms of withdrawal is unacceptable.

''Our motto,'' he said, ''is 'The liberation of Kuwait at any cost.''

And, he added, ''Kuwait is too small to be left to the whims and caprices of the vultures in Baghdad. Kuwait is too delicate, too fragile, too frail to be left to the dismantling machine of the Iraqis.''

The gathering, which will end Monday night with a closing address by the emir, will produce a communique expected to again call on Iraq to leave Kuwait and address the question of a post-liberation government.

The meeting was held under tight security provided by the Saudis at a huge conference center in this Red Sea port city, and the walls of the center were covered with pictures of the Iraqi invasion.

In addition, at the end of one row of photographs was the picture of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein talking with a visibly nervous young British boy. Above it was a picture of Adolf Hitler chatting with Nazi youngsters.

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#90287d2700 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (OCT. 14) - A german parliamentary delegation led by Social Democratic Pary deputy Hans Gottfried Bernrath left for home Sunday at the end of a five-day visit to Nepal, cancelling a scheduled visit to India.

Bernrath told newsmen at Kathmandu airport that the delegation was returning home immediately because of the assassination attempt on Friday against Interior Minister Wolfgang Schaeuble.

The German delegation comprised six members of parliament, all from the Committee on Internal Affairs.

Bernrath said his delegation was very ''happy'' to have been in Nepal at a time when a democratic constitution was being finalised.

He said that German assistance in Nepal's ''economic and cultural development was, is and will be a very good investment in Nepal's future...Nepal has a very important role to play in this part of the world''.

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#90287d2740 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (OCT. 14) - Scores of Red Army troops in former East Germany have flung down their weapons and sought asylum in the past weeks, repelled by harsh barracks life and fearful of returning home, the Berliner Morgenpost reported Sunday.

Before German unification on October 3, "about 10 Soviet soldiers per day were deserting and filing asylum requests" in West Berlin alone, the newspaper said quoting city officials.

Others fled to western Germany, seizing the chance to desert after East and West Germany scrapped all their border controls in the run-up to unification.

Forty-one of the asylum-seekers were so destitute that they sought emergency aid from Berlin social services, the report said.

Since October 3, the Soviet military have apparently tightened controls on the 380,000 Soviet military personnel in the former German Democratic Republic. This had reduced the desertion rate to two per day, the Morgenpost said.

Nuri Dehkordi, a Russian-speaker who has been helping the deserters at an asylum home, said "they are young men aged between 20 and 22. They are terribly afraid. It took three weeks before they trusted me."

"Most of them deserted because of poor living conditions and ill-treatment," he said.

"The officer is top dog, and ordinary soldiers are considered nothing. They don't want to return to the Soviet Union because they are afraid of never being able to leave it again."

However, the Soviet troops have little chance of gaining asylum and are likely to be sent home, where they face punishment under military law that can, in theory, allow the death penalty, the paper said.

Alexander Yakovlev, an aide to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, recently warned deserters that they were committing "a serious breach of military discipline."

"I don't think that Germany will be giving political asylum to such elements," he said. "That would be a scandal."

The Soviet Union is scheduled to withdraw its troops from former East Germany by 1995, under an agreement between Bonn and Moscow that eased the way to unification.

Germany has pledged billions of dollars in soft loans to help the withdrawal by building homes for returning troops and contributing to the support of those provisionally left behind.

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#90287d2810 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 14) - U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney arrived in London Sunday for a two-day visit to discuss the Gulf crisis with his British counterpart Tom King.

Mr. Cheney could also meet British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher before leaving Tuesday for Moscow.

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#90287d2840 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 14) - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher invited South African President Frederik de Klerk to Chequers west of London Sunday for talks on the ongoing bloodshed between rival black groups in South Africa.

Going into the meeting, Thatcher faced mounting pressure from anti-apartheid lobbyists to urge de Klerk to lift apartheid once and for all and to release an estimated 1,200 persons they claim are still being held as political prisoners in South Africa.

Sunday's meeting was the third between de Klerk and Thatcher, following talks in June 1989 and in May this year.

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#90287d2870 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (OCT. 14) - A group of 1,247 mainly Asian refugees from Baghdad arrived Sunday at a Jordanian camp about 28 kilometers (17 miles) from the Ruweished border post, said an offical of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

The refugees, including 800 Sri Lankans, 359 Filipinos and 88 Indians, were to be repatriated from Transit Center 1 at the earliest opportunity, an authoritative source said.

Transit Center 1 is one of six refugee camps set up by Jordan to shelter the flood of foreigners who escaped Kuwait and Iraq after the latter invaded its southern neighbor August 2.

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#90287d2920 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 14) - A university student set himself ablaze and two others threatened to follow suit Sunday to press for the resignation of Thai Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan amid anti-government protests.

Thanavut Pringchua, a 20-year-old business administration student, doused himself with gasoline and set himself alight as protesting students demanded the ouster of Mr. Chatichai's government.

He was rushed to the police hospital for treatment, his body about 75 per cent covered with burns, but was expected to survive.

Hours after the attempted suicide in front of Ramkhamhaeng University, two other students there threatened self-immolation if Mr. Chatichai's government had not quit by the end of the day.

The attempted suicide ocurred as groups of student protestors converged on the university, on the outskirts of Bangkok, and on Government House, where Mr. Chatichai has his offices.

"If the tyrants do not resign, I will be the next one," Ikasitekasit Tharirajraksa told reporters in front of the gates of Government House, where some 400 protestors had assembled to shout anti-government slogans and erect posters.

But as tension rose between the demonstrators and some 50 policemen deployed in front of Government House, Mr. Ikasitekasit was taken away in a car by fellow students.

Later a law student, Narongsak Manee, walked up to the gate of Government House with two bottles believed to contain gasoline and shouted at a crowd of reporters that he would burn himself to death.

The demonstration at the university dispersed peacefully shortly after Mr. Thanavut torched himself.

But the demonstration at Government House continued, with students setting up posters saying, "Student power belongs to the people" and "Thieves rule the country. How could it prosper?"

The demonstrations were staged to demand the resignation of Mr. Chatichai, 73, whose two-year coalition government has been shaken by infighting among

cabinet ministers and tainted with charges of corruption and mismanagement.

Similar protests by Ramkhamhaeng University students and trade union members began a week ago.

Earlier this month, 18 students from the university threatened to burn themselves to death but later backed off, instead slashing their wrists last week. None was seriously injured.

Sunday's dramatic suicide bid came on the 17th anniversary of a student-spearheaded mass uprising against the government of then-prime minister Thanom Kittikachorn, widely blamed for corruption and social injustice.

Mr. Chatichai has repeatedly said he would neither dissolve parliament nor resign from his post as leader of the seven-party ruling coalition, which in 1988 became Thailand's first democratically elected government in 12 years.

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#90287d3090 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (OCT. 14) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein met here Sunday with Palestine Liberation Organisation leader Yasser Arafat.

The Iraqi News Agency Ina said Hussein and Arafat discussed the Gulf crisis and the Temple Mount massacre in Jerusalem.

Further details of the talks were not disclosed.

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#90287d3130 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT. 14) - The Israeli government Sunday formally rejected the dispatch of a U.N. fact-finding mission to the occupied territories and east Jerusalem in connection with the October 8 killings of 21 Palestinians.

Foreign Minister David Levy said the refusal to welcome a team appointed by U.N. secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar was taken at the cabinet's weekly meeting.

Israeli police shot dead 21 Palestinians and wounded some 150 others on October 8 after they pelted Jewish worshippers with stones in east Jerusalem's Temple Mount area -- a holy site to both Jews and Moslems and known as Haram al-Sharif to Arabs.

The bloodbath triggered worldwide indignation and prompted the United States to vote in the U.N. Security Council for an unprecendented condemnation of Israel.

U.N. Security Council Resolution 672 also urged Mr. Perez de Cuellar to send a fact-finding mission to the Israeli-occupied territories and to report back by the end of the month.

Mr. Levy criticised Washington's attitude and said the United States had "given in" and helped create a link between the Gulf crisis and the Palestinian-Israeli conflict.

Asked if the latest developments would trigger a crisis in Israeli-U.S. relations, he said Israel could not make concessions on "a topic as important as Jerusalem."

"We could not accept the dispatch of such a mission that does not recognise Israel's sovereignty over Jerusalem, the sovereign and reunified capital of Israel," said Mr. Levy.

"We cannot accept that our sovereignty over Jerusalem be put in doubt," he added.

He also criticised the fact that the U.N. resolution failed to mention what he said was "the savage attack by (Arab) provocateurs against Jewish worshippers praying at the Wailing Wall (below the Temple Mount)."

Israel occupied Arab east Jerusalem, the West Bank and Gaza Strip during the 1967 Arab-Israeli war and subsequently it annexed east Jerusalem which it considers an integral part of its capital.

The move has never been recognised by the United Nations.

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#90287d3140 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NANCY, France (OCT. 14) - Four French Jaguar fighter-bombers on Sunday began a trip that will take them to Saudi Arabia, where they will join 16 other French warplanes, French military officials said.

Four other Jaguars will leave next week, completing France's deployment of attack planes in the Gulf, they said.

France decided to step up its military presence in the Gulf a month ago after Iraqi troops invaded the French ambassador's residence in Kuwait.

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#90287d3250 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (OCT. 14) - U.S. Marines slid down ropes from a helicopter to board an Iraqi-flagged cargo ship which refused to stop in the North Arabian Sea, the U.S. Navy said Sunday.

The navy, in a statement released here, said that the 130,000-ton Iraqi cargo ship, the Almutanabbi, was boarded on Saturday.

The Iraqi vessel was allowed to proceed to an undisclosed destinationa after a search found it to be empty, the navy said. It said there were 61 people on board the ship, including four women and six children.

The Almutanabbi, which had left the Yemen port of Aden, was intercepted by the frigate USS Brewton, the USS Ogden and the Australian guided missile frigate HMAS Darwin, the navy said.

"The ship acknowledged requests to stop but refused to stop," said a U.S. Navy spokesman, Commander J.D. Van Sickle.

U.S. Marines then "fast-roped" on to the deck of the ship from a helicopter, he said, followed by U.S. Coast Guard and Australian Navy personnel in small boats.

No shots were fired in the incident.

The Navy also said Sunday that ships in the international armada enforcing the economic embargo imposed against Iraq following its invasion of Kuwait have made more than 2,350 interceptions in the Gulf, North Arabian Sea and Red Sea since August.

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#90287d3810 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (OCT. 14) - Nigeria said Sunday it has decided to sell crude oil at concessionary rates to African nations in order to help them overcome the adverse effects of the Gulf crisis.

An official statement said President Ibrahim Babangida had directed the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (Nnpc) to work out the modalities for implementing the incentive.

Since the Gulf crisis broke out, a number of African countries, including Ghana, Gambia, Togo and Benin, had approached Nigeria for necessary assistance in meeting their crude oil demands.

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#90287d3900 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

(OCT. 14) - The mid-day television news bulletin said that the demonstrators damaged two vehicles and wrecked a police station, injuring one policeman.

The clashes with the police occurred as the demonstrators attempted to get

into the televison premises, it said.

"The arrival of reinforcements for the security forces prevented the worst," the television said.

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#90287d4530 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (OCT. 14) - Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union (CDU) emerged a clear winner in regional elections Sunday in Bavaria and the five new states of former East Germany, according to exit-polls by German television.

The polls gave the CDU, or its sister Christian Social Union (CSU), the lead in four out of the five states.

The election completed the federal structure of Germany, after the unification on October 3 ended 45 years of division.

Twenty million Germans -- nearly a quarter of the population -- had been called to the ballot box.

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#90287d4540 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRAZZAVILLE (OCT. 14) - The government of Congo has bowed to trade union opposition and abandoned plans to privatise the country's oil products distribution network, whose workers went on strike Thursday, state radio announced Sunday.

The government had planned to break up the state firm Hydro-Congo into six companies and to sack more than 850 of its 1,400 employees.

With the turnabout decision, which came in negotiations at the weekend between the government and the country's trade union confederation, some service stations opened in Brazzaville Sunday and work was expected to resume Monday.

Armoured cars which had sealed off Hydro-Congo depots and security forces which had been deployed at strategic points in the capital were withdrawn.

Sources added that the government had also decided to clear the way for negotiations on wages and conditions in the private and public sectors, and had restored civil servants' promotions and bonuses cut under an economic structural adjustment plan.

The trade unions asked the government to cease drawing on the funds of state corporations to allow them to recover their financial health.

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#90287d5350 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PESHAWAR, Pakistan (OCT. 14) - An Afghan guerrilla leader has urged the rulers of Islamic countries to depend on Moslem fighters for their defence and not on non-Moslem forces.

''We must put faith in our own Moslem masses, instead of relying on alien non-Moslems,'' Abdurrab Rasool Sayaf, prime minister of the Pakistan-based Afghan Interim Government (Aig) of the mujahedin guerillas, said Sunday.

Sayaf was speaking at the graduation parade at mujahedin's military academy near here, but apparently addressing the rulers of Arab states who have invited U.S. and other western countries' forces to defend them.

''It is abhoring to see semi-nude non-Moslem girls defending the holy lands of Islam,'' he said.

''Moslem masses must be trusted, equipped and trained in military service,'' said the Afghan guerrilla leader whose anti-communist jihad (holy war) in Afghanistan has been heavily funded Arab monarchies since 1978.

An offer made by the Aig to Saudi Arabia in the wake of Iraqi occupation of Kuwait to send its guerrillas to Saudi Arabia was ignored by Riyadh.

-30- 1274
#90287d5430 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TUNIS (OCT. 14) - A court has jailed 34 Moslem fundamentalists here for between six and eighteen months after they demonstrated despite an official ban and clashed with the police, Moslem sources said Sunday.

The sentences were handed down Saturday, two days after seven fundamentalists had been imprisoned for six months following a public protest.

Another 18 people are to stand trial Thursday.

Protestors have repeatedly taken to the streets and clashed with the police since the death early last month of a youth who distributed religious leaflets near the Ibn Khaldoun mosque.

The Interior Minostry said he was hit by a stray bullet when police fired warning shots to scare off several youths attacking their car.

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#90287d5540 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (OCT. 14) - French diplomats in Kuwait now face acute water shortages

in temperatures that can reach 37 degrees centigrade (99 degrees Fahrenheit), and have nothing left to eat but rice, Western diplomatic sources said here Sunday.

Occupying Iraqi troops several days ago entered the embasssy compound and emptied the water tank on the roof of the embassy, the sources reported.

Embassy staff under Charge d'Affaires Jean-Pierre Galtier are now forced to drink water they stored as a precaution in bathtubs and sinks.

Food supplies are exhausted, except for rice, and diplomats are only able to communicate with the outside world once or twice a week by radio, the sources said. But there is apparently enough fuel to operate the embassy generator.

All but four embassies have been abandoned in Kuwait as Iraqi troops have cut off vital supplies to force them to relocate to Baghdad.

Iraqi authorities insist that Kuwait is part of Iraq and that there is consequently no further need for diplomatic representatives to remain in the emirate.

The remaining embassies are those of France, Britain, the United States and Indonesia. The German, Belgian and Dutch missions all closed down over the last several days.

The French embassy will be "one of the last to leave," Foreign Minister Roland Dumas vowed last week.

But he added: "We are forced to recognize that human resistance has its limits. The moment will surely come when we are at the limit of such resistance."

Iraqi forces invaded Kuwait August 2 and Baghdad announced the annexation of the tiny emirate several days later.

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#90287d5640 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ALGIERS (OCT. 14) - About 200 demonstrators burned and ransacked public buildings in the Khenchela region of eastern Algeria and blocked a national road leading to the south, the news agency APS reported here Sunday.

It said many of the demonstrators were unemployed youths. Four people were reported injured in clashes with police. APS said the demonstrators' grievances included the granting of public housing to outsiders.

The news agency said calm was restored following the intervention of the Imam of the local mosque of the town of Kais, which is predominantly supportive of

the fundamentalist Islamic Salvation Front.

APS also said that unemployed youths at Tebessa, near the Tunisian border, ransacked a police post.

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#90287d5680 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KRAKOW, Poland (OCT. 14) - Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki said here Sunday he had proposed to Solidarity leader Lech Walesa that they both abstain from running in presidential elections next month in favour of a third candidate.

Mr. Walesa turned down the offer made on August 31 but suggested that Mr. Mazowiecki become his prime minister, the premier said on the first day of his election campaign in this southern city.

"I could not accept (that offer) because we do not share the same ideas about the presidency and democracy," Mr. Mazowiecki said, adding that their collaboration would not have lasted for long.

The Solidarity leader announced last month that he would stand in the November 25 poll, a few days before Mr. Mazowiecki said he would also run.

"I did not want that responsibility," Mr. Mazowiecki said, referring to the presidency, but he changed his mind "to avert abrupt changes in a still fragile Poland".

Mr. Mazowiecki has been criticized by the Solidarity leader for not moving fast enough to radically change Polish society after more than 40 years of communist rule.

"The way we chose is difficult but there is no other," he told some 1,500 people in the city's Philharmonic Hall, including literature Nobel prize winner Czeslaw Milosz, a Polish-born U.S. citizen.

Mr. Mazowiecki's government has slashed inflation but also spending power in switching from a state-controlled centralized economy with high subsidies to a market-oriented economy. Unemployment is nearing one million.

Mr. Mazowiecki also met with Krakow Archbishop Franciszek Macharski, the number two of Poland's Roman Catholic Church, and talked to farmers on the university campus.

Meanwhile, Poland's National Civic Committee (KO), which is close to Solidarity, announced that it will support Mr. Walesa's presidential bid, PAP news agency announced.

Meeting in Warsaw, the committee called on the lower house of parliament or Sejm, which is still dominated by the communists and its allies, to dissolve by the end of the year.

The Sejm was elected in June last year after Solidarity and the communists agreed on phased democratic reforms.

Amid the rising antagonism between Mr. Walesa and Mr. Mazowiecki, many Polish intellectuals have left the committee, which remains Poland's main political movement.

The KO was founded by the union leader and set up a shadow cabinet when the communists were still in power.

-30- 2682
#90287d5700 10/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSLEM (OCT. 14) - Israeli troops shot dead a 60-year-old Palestinian refugee on the occupied Gaza Strip Sunday and wounded more than 10, Palestinian sources reported.

Abdel Karim Mohammad Abu Nimr was shot in the chest during confrontations between troops and demonstrators at the Khan Yunes refugee camp, the sources said.

His death sparked further demonstrations during which troops shot and wounded 10 Palestinians.

Mr. Abu Nimr was the 738th Palestinian to die from Israeli gunfire in the occupied territories, according to an unofficial toll, since the start of an uprising there in December 1987.

-30- 789
#90287e0002 10/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
BUDAPEST (OCT. 14) EFE - Polling stations opened in Hungary Sunday to appoint local councillors in areas where first round voting was declared null after less than 40 per cent of the electorate took part.

This time there is no minimum participation set, as the two opposition Free Democrats and radical Young Democrats (Fidsewsz) try to improve on support secured in the first round when the two parties picked up 39.21 per cent between them.

The ruling Democratic Forum garnered 37.97 per cent.

Sunday's local government elections will conclude the process of political change in Hungary, which started with parliamentary elections in April

following the downfall of the Communists.

This time round more than four million voters will take part, compared with seven million in the first round. They will elect 300 councils compared with the 3,190 two weeks ago.

Most of the voting is in larger towns where the previous polls proved inconclusive because participation did not reach the minimum 40 per cent level.

In areas where the first round of voting did count, independent candidates led the polling, taking 82 per cent of the mayorships and 71 per cent of the council seats.

-30- 1363

#90287e0004 10/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ATHENS (OCT. 14) EFE - Polling stations opened early Sunday for some 8.2 million Greeks to vote in municipal elections which are seen as a test for Prime Minister Constantine Mitsotakis' six-month old conservative government.

Polling began at 6:30 a.m. (0430 GMT) and closes just before 6 p.m. (1600 GMT) with first results expected just over an hour later.

In all 358 mayors and some 5,000 councillors are to be elected in what is regarded as a test for the government which has been hit by a wave of general strikes and protests against its economic policies.

The government and socialist and communist opposition parties will be keeping a close watch on how voting goes in Athens, where about half the Greek population lives, and in the key ports of Piraeus and Salonica.

Political analysts have predicted that none of the candidates running in the three cities will gain the 50 per cent of votes necessary for an outright win and that a second round of voting will have to be called next weekend.

Voter turnout is expected to be low in the latest of a series of elections held since mid 1989, while a significant number of blank ballot slips are likely to protest the government's economic austerity program.

This includes sweeping cuts in social benefits in an attempt to trim budget deficits.

-30- 1479

#90287e0019 10/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

TUNIS (OCT. 14) EFE - Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan Sunday arrived in Tunis with a message on the Gulf crisis from President Saddam Hussein to Tunisian President Zin al-Abidin Ben Ali.

The Iraqi deputy prime minister arrived from Tripoli where he delivered a similar letter to Libyan leader Col. Muammar Gaddafi on Saturday.

In Tunis, Ramadan said he would hold talks with Ben Ali on the situation in the Gulf and moves to reach a peaceful solution.

Earlier, the Libyan news agency JANA reported that Saddam's message dealt with "the dangers of U.S. and Western occupation of the Gulf region".

The United States has sent some 200,000 troops to to Saudi Arabia to deter further Iraqi aggression following the Baghdad-ordered invasion of Kuwait in August.

In reference to the 21 Palestinians killed by Israeli police in Jerusalem last Monday, the letter mentioned "the massacres perpetrated by the Zionists, allied with the Americans, against the people of Palestine", JANA said.

Citing Ramadan, the agency said the visit to Tripoli was part of "efforts by Iraq and its Arab brothers to reinforce Arab opposition to the U.S.-Zionist occupation" of Arab territory.

Libya and Tunisia oppose non-Arab intervention in the Gulf conflict and say they favor a peaceful Arab-mediated solution to the crisis.

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#90287u0073 10/14/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 14) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Baseball

World Series
No games scheduled

Football
Cleveland at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Houston, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
San Diego at NY Jets, 1 p.m.
Dallas at Phoenix, 4 p.m.
Seattle at LA Raiders, 4 p.m.
NY Giants at Washington, 4 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Denver, 4 p.m.

LA Rams at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.

Golf
Abilene, Texas - Gatlin Brothers Southwest Senior Golf Classic
Las Vegas, Nev. - $1.3 million Las Vegas Invitational
St. Andrews, Scotland - $1 million Nations Cup.
Salzburg, Austria - Austrian Open.

Hockey
Calgary at Chicago, 12:35 p.m.
Edmonton at Vancouver, 5:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

Tennis
Berlin - $300,000 Men's Berlin tournament
Tokyo - $1 million Seiko Super Tennis
Zurich, Switzerland - $350,000 European Ladies Indoors

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#90287u0095 10/14/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 14) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

Commissioner's Office - Named Larry Barnett, Ted Hendry, Rocky Roe, Frank Pulli, Jim Quick and Randy Marsh, World Series umpires; named Gordon Verrell and John Hickey official scorers; named Dave Nightingale and Glenn Sample third official scorers in Oakland and Cincinnati respectively.

NY Mets - Named Gerald Hunsicker director of baseball operations.

Football

Indianapolis - Signed running back Eric Dickerson to contract extension through 1994.

NY Jets - Activated guard Dwayne White and wide receiver Dale Dawkins, placed guard Dave Cadigan on injured reserve.

Phoenix - Released defensive end Dick Chapura from practice squad; activated linebacker David Bavaro from practice squad.

Pittsburgh - Placed defensive tackle Lorenzo Freeman on injured reserve; activated cornerback Delton Hall from injured reserve.

Hockey

NY Rangers - Recalled right wing Tie Domi and defenseman Dennis Vial from Binghamton of AHL.

Washington - Called up goaltender Don Beaupre, defenseman Chris Felix and left winger Steve Maltais from Baltimore of the American Hockey League; sent goaltender Jim Hrivnak and defenseman Mark Ferner to Baltimore.

-30- 1359

#90287u0120 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 14) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

NY Rangers	1	2	2-5
Washington	0	0	2-2

First period-1, NY Rangers, Gartner 5 (Shaw), :53.

Penalties-Moller, NYR, 3:10; Shaw, NYR, 12:42; Ciccarelli, Wash, 15:52; Mullen NYR, 19:18; Hunter, Wash, 19:18.

Second period-2, NY Rangers, Leetch 2 (Erixon, Turcotte), :58; 3, NY Rangers, Mallette 2 (Patrick, Nicholls), 8:17.

Penalties-Bondra, Wash, 2:28; Hunter, Wash, 12:34; Leetch, NYR, 16:07; Domi, NYR, 16:07 (misconduct).

Third period-4, NY Rangers, Mallette 3 (Nicholls, Erixon), 6:54; 5, NY Rangers Mullen 1 (unassisted); 6, Washington, Pivonka 2 (Hatcher, Druce), 10:43; 7, Washington, Johansson 1 (Hunter, Miller), 14:21.

Penalties-Moller, NYR, 9:42; May, Wash, 16:38 (misconduct).

Shots on goal-NY Rangers 6-11-6-23. Washington 14-12-15-41.

Power-play conversions-NY Rangers 0-3. Washington 1-4.

Goaltenders-NY Rangers, Richter. Washington, Liut, Hrivnak.

A-16,207.

Referee-Andy vanHellemond.

Winnipeg	3	0	0-3
Philadelphia	1	2	1-4

First period-1, Philadelphia, Kerr 3 (Carkner, Eklund), pp, 10:43. 2, Winnipeg Fenton 1 (Ashton, Housley), 11:51. 3, Winnipeg, Ellett 3 (Paslawski), 16:32. 4, Winnipeg, Carlyle (McLlwain, Arniel), 19:11.

Penalties-Arniel, Win, 9:18; Carkner, Phi, 13:08; Elynuik, Win, 17:06.

Second period-5, Philadelphia, Murphy 2 (Craven), 18:15. 6, Philadelphia Tocchet 4 (Sutter, Samuelsson), 19:03.

Penalites- Horacek, Phi, 6:40; Mantha, Win, 15:11.

Third period-7, Philadelphia, Samuelsson 1 (Howe, Hostak), 11:24.

Penalties- Chychrun, Phi, 12:23.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 10-3-12-25. Philadelphia 4-12-10-26.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 3-0. Philadelphia 3-1.

Goaltenders-Winnipeg, Beauregard. Philadelphia, Wregget. A-17,382.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

Calgary	0	0	3-3
New Jersey	1	3	1-5

First period-1, New Jersey, Boschman 1 (Stewart), 8:18.

Penalties-Kasatonov, NJ, 3:34; Maley, NJ, 7:09; Hrdina, Cgy, 7:09; Shanahan, NJ, 7:09; Sabourin, Cgy, 7:09; Otto, Cgy, 15:48; Matteau, Cgy, 15:48; Stastny, NJ, 15:48; Daneyko, NJ, 18:05; MacInnis, Cgy, 18:16.

Second period-2, New Jersey, Boschman 2 (unassisted), 6:44. 3, Driver 2 (Muller, Stastny), pp, 9:33. 4, Stastny 2 (MacLean, Muller), pp, 19:24.

Penalties-Poddubny, NJ, 4:18; Sabourin, Cgy, 8:58; Maley, NJ, 8:58; Matteau, Cgy, 9:09; Murzyn, Cgy, 12:27; Hunter, Cgy, 18:13.

Third period-5, Calgary, Ranheim 1 (Fleury, Hrdina), 1:53. 6, Calgary, MacInnis 4 (Suter), pp, 5:gy, 8:56; Boschman, NJ, 8:56; Stastny, NJ, 9:27; Fleury, Cgy, 9:27; Daneyko, NJ, 12:24; Kasatonov, NJ, 15:21; Suter, Cgy, 16:41.

Shots on goal-Calgary 8-5-9-22. New Jersey 4-12-8-24.

Power-play conversions-Calgary 6-2. New Jersey 6-2.

Goaltenders-Calgary, Vernon. New Jersey, Terreri. A-12,601.

Referee-Paul Devorski.

Pittsburgh	3	1	2-6

NY Islanders 2 0 2-4

First period-1, NY Islanders, Volek 2 (Dalgarno), 3:16. 2, NY Islanders, Volek 3 (unassisted), 6:22. 3, Pittsburgh, Gilhen 1 (Trottier, Mullen), 6:57. 4, Pittsburgh, Stevens 4 (Recchi, Cullen), pp, 10:15. 5, Pittsburgh, Errey 2 (Dalquist, Recchi), 15:23.

Penalties-Reekie, NYI, 8:34; Reekie, NYI 12:02; Trottier, Pit, 16:42.

Second period-6, Pittsburgh, Brown 1 (Cullen, Stevens), 2:06.

Penalties-Peak, Pit, 4:26; Dalgarno, NYI, 4:26; Cullen, Pit, 14:05; Stevens, Pit, 14:05; Ludwig, NYI, 14:05; Pilon, NYI, double-minor, 14:05; Nylund, NYI, 19:17

Third period-7, Pittsburgh, McDonough 2 (Crossman, Berg). 8, Pittsburgh, Jagr 2 (Recchi), 3:37. 9, Pittsburgh, Pederson 2 (Mullen), 13:32. 10, NY Islanders, Chyzoski 1 (Flatley, Wood), 17:03.

Penalties-Pietrangelo, Pit, 4:26. Staton, Pit, 19:19; Recchi, Pit, major (fighting), 19:19; Flatley, NYI, 19:19; Wood,NYI, major (fighting), 19:19.

Shots on goal-Pittsburgh 13 9 10-32. NY Islanders 7 7 8-22.

Power-play conversions-Pittsburgh 4-1. NY Islanders 2-0.

Goaltenders-Pittsburgh, Pietrangelo. NY Islanders-Healy, Hackett. A-14,903.

Referree-Denis Morel.

Montreal 1 1 0-2
Hartford 1 1 3-5

First period-1, Montreal, Skrudland 3 (Diduck, Svoboda), 4:44. 2, Hartford, Andersson 1 (Ferraro, Holik), 6:50.

Penalties-Samuelsson, Har, 1:05; Evason, Har, 9:48; Richer, Mon, 11:00; Dineen Har, 11:00; Samuelsson, Har, 13:28; Pederson, Mon, 14:15; Savard, Mon, 14:15; Evason, Har, 14:15; Diduck, Mon, 19:53.

Second period-3, Hartford, Holik 2 (Shaw, Krygier), pp, 8:08. 4, Montreal, Savard 2 (Lefebvre, Dufresne), 18:04.

Penalties- Savard, Mon, 7:18; Dufresne, Mon, 7:40; Verbeek, Har, 7:40; Burt, Har, 10:33; McPhee, Mon, 12:28; Samuelsson, Har, 12:28; Lefebvre, Mon, 15:23.

Third period-5, Hartford, Krygier 2 (Francis, Verbeek), 1:33. 6, Hartford, Wilson 1 (Samuelsson, Sidorkiewicz), 6:44. 7, Hartford, Cunneyworth 4

(Samuelsson, Wilson), 9:25.

Penalties-Babych, Har, 13:54; Samuelsson, Har, 14:48; Carbonneau, Mon, 18:16; Ferraro, Har, 18:16.

Shots on goal-Montreal 4-9-6-19. Hartford 11-13-11-35.

Power-play conversions-Montreal 6-0. Hartford 4-1.

Goaltenders-Montreal, Roy. Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. A-13,119.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

Boston	1	0	0-1
Los Angeles	3	2	2-7

First period-1, Los Angeles, Granato 3 (Gretzky, Robinson), 1:41. 2, Los Angeles, Duchesne 1 (Gretzky, Tonelli), pp, 15:12. 3, Boston, Carter 1 (Janney), 17:42. 4, Los Angeles, Gretzky 4 (Granato, Sanstrom), 19:12.

Penalties-Quintal, Bos, 7:57; Granato, LA, 11:41; Bourque, Bos, 13:18.

Second period-5, Los Angeles, Breault 1 (Robitaille, Robinson), :09. 6, Los Angeles, Kudelski 2 (Miller, Buskas), pp, 7:20.

Penalties-Benning, LA, 1:34; Carpenter, Bos, 5:22; Miller, LA, 10:37; Nilan, Bos, major-minor (fighting), 13:36; Miller, LA, major (fighting), 13:36; Wiemer, Bos, 17:37; Blake, LA, 18:02; Kasper, LA, 19:14.

Third period-7, Los Angeles, Kudelski 3 (Miller, Bjugstad), 18:05. 8, Los Angeles, Gretzky 5 (unassisted), pp, 19:14.

Penalties-Granato, LA, 1:44; Neely, Bos, 3:01; Jones, LA, 3:01; Bourque, Bos, 4:25; Quintal, Bos, 7:23; Pedersen, Bos, 19:07.

Shots on goal-Boston 15-18-8-41. Los Angeles 13-11-8-32.

Power-play conversions-Boston 6-0. Los Angeles 8-3.

Goaltenders-Boston, Lemelin, Moog (7:20 second period). Los Angeles, Berthiaume. Att-16,005.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

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(OCT. 14) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	4	2	0	8	25	16
New Jersey	3	2	1	7	24	23
Philadelphia	3	2	0	6	22	14
Pittsburgh	3	2	0	6	24	20
Washington	2	3	0	4	17	21
NY Islanders	1	3	0	2	11	16

Adams Division

Boston	4	1	1	9	24	16
Hartford	3	2	1	7	22	23
Quebec	2	2	2	6	22	26
Montreal	2	2	1	5	16	19
Buffalo	0	3	2	2	17	21

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	4	1	0	8	19	11
Detroit	2	2	2	6	22	26
St. Louis	2	2	0	4	9	14
Minnesota	1	4	1	3	11	21
Toronto	0	4	1	1	12	25

Smythe Division

Los Angeles	3	1	1	7	25	15
Calgary	3	2	0	6	19	17
Vancouver	2	2	0	4	14	12
Edmonton	1	0	2	4	9	7
Winnipeg	1	4	1	3	16	17

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(OCT. 14) UPI - The weather picture is looking up in Virginia and other states along the Mid-Atlantic coast. Tropical Storm Lili has veered away from land... prompting forecasters to drop tropical storm warnings and watches along the Virginia coast late Saturday night. Lili's winds had weakened to 50 miles an hour and the storm was expected to continue to lose strength.

The Lebanese military was able to drive maverick Christian leader Michel Aoun from his enclave in Beirut, but the general has been granted political asylum by the French Embassy in Beirut. Aoun escaped capture after government troops

overwhelmed his forces Saturday in a Syrian-backed offensive. 45 people were killed in the fighting.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz says Baghdad ''neither rejects NOR supports'' a proposal by French President Francois Mitterand. In an interview with a French newspaper published Saturday, Aziz said if the French and other Europeans devote as much attention to the Palestinian problem as they have to the Persian Gulf crisis they would contribute greatly to peace in the region.

Former President Gerald Ford will be one of the speakers Sunday at a Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, ceremony marking the centennial of the birth of the late President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Ford will unveil plans for the Eisenhower Leadership Prize... a 25-thousand-dollar award for young leaders in a variety of fields.

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(OCT. 14) UPI - California officials say there were NO reports of damages from a small earthquake that shook the San Francisco Bay area Saturday evening. The temblor registered three-point-one on the Richter scale and was centered 15 miles northwest of Berkeley. The Bay Area Rapid Transit System routinely shut down to check its tracks... but resumed service after a brief delay.

An 18-year-old Brooklyn, New York, woman surrendered to police Saturday in the fatal stabbing of a 17-year-old mother who was walking with her week-old infant. Erica Pierre-Boyce was charged with second- degree murder for the October 3rd attack. Police say the women had a long-running dispute.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 14) UPI - The Bush administration has delayed any decision to order military action to oust Iraqi forces from Kuwait and is planning a series of new diplomatic initiatives, a published report said Sunday.

U.S. officials are expected to begin by pursuing new resolutions in the United Nations to condemn Iraq's destruction of Kuwait and seek reparations for damage done since the Aug. 2 invasion, officials told the Washington Post.

In addition, the Justice Department reportedly has been studying a possible U.N. resolution condemning Iraq for war crimes.

Top advisers to President Bush told the newspaper they are hoping to convince Iraqi President Saddam Hussein his maneuvering room is ''shrinking'' and that the invasion of Kuwait is growing costlier every day his troops remain.

The Bush administration also is considering the option of simply keeping U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf region indefinitely, maintaining pressure on Saddam as his supply lines wear thin because of the international trade embargo.

''We can contain him where he is now without losing a life,'' one administration official told the Post. ''But containment doesn't get him out of Kuwait.''

Bush and senior White House advisers have concluded that even a short war in the Persian Gulf would be costly in terms of American casualties and that political support at home could erode quickly, the newspaper reported.

''We've gone beyond all the bluster and bluff that we'll just go beat Iraq into the dust,'' a State Department official told the newspaper. ''You have men who think of war and death and casualties and the human factor. Nobody is rushing to draw the gun. If they were, they are not now.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 14) UPI - The continuing commitment of U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf and increasing fears about a slumping economy have begun to take their toll on President Bush's popularity, according to a New York Times-CBS News Poll published Sunday.

The poll of 960 adults found economic fears at their highest level in a decade and Bush's overall job rating the worst of his presidency, although higher than some other recent presidents at the same point in their administrations.

The latest survey, conducted Monday through Wednesday of last week, showed 60 percent of respondents approved of the way Bush was handling his job, down from the 76 percent recorded in a similar Times-CBS poll taken in August just after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The number of those who disapproved increased 15 percentage points from August to 30 percent, the highest disapproval rating of the Bush presidency thus far, the Times reported.

There was a dramatic drop in approval of Bush among citizens 65 and over, whose general economic fears were aggravated by proposals to narrow the federal budget deficit by raising taxes and Medicare premiums, the Times said.

Approval of Bush's handling of foreign policy was down 9 points from a 72 percent rating in August, the poll showed. The number of those who disapproved increased 7 percentage points from 19 percent in August.

Approval of Bush's handling of the Iraq crisis declined from 75 percent just after the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait to 57 percent.

Approval of Bush's dealings with the economy was down 9 points in October from August's 45 percent, the newspaper said. Disapproval was up 8 percentage points from 44 percent in August.

Approval of the president's handling of the federal budget deficit slipped only 1 percentage point from the 30 percent recorded in August. His disapproval rating, however, climbed 7 percentage points from August's 51 percent ranking.

The Times said the figures in the survey were considered highly likely to represent the sentiments of the nation's adult population to within 3 percentage points.

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BEIJING (OCT. 14) UPI - Authorities detained and deported three Japanese students for floating down the Yangtze river in a rubber dinghy without a permit, an official report said.

The Japanese were identified as Nobuyasu Kawada, Hironori Itoh and Hidemaro Sasaki, all male university students. The trio arrived in China in early August on tourist visas, carrying a Japanese-made rubber dinghy, according to a report in the latest issue of the bi-weekly Public Security News.

After a brief jaunt to the southwest city of Kunming and the city of Chengdu, the capital of central Sichuan province, the young adventurers took to the water from Sichuan's Yibin city on Aug. 21.

The Japanese floated east for two weeks and more than 370 miles along the 2,432-mile Yangtze River, or Chang Jiang, before they were detected.

Authorities at the river city of Yichang in central Hubei province responded to the youths' Sept. 4 request to pass through floodgates by notifying local public security authorities.

Police promptly detained the Japanese on Sept. 5 for floating down the Yangtze without a permit. They were deported back to Japan the next day from Shanghai.

''The three Japanese youths were sincere and admitted their mistake. Their floating activities were stopped and the dinghy was shipped out of the country through Shanghai,'' the report said.

Chinese authorities have deported enthusiastic Japanese trekkers on previous occasions. Earlier this year, three Japanese were expelled from China for poaching and smuggling rare butterflies from a southern wildlife preserve.

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#90287u0177 10/14/1990 ~United Press International
SYDNEY, Australia (OCT. 14) UPI - Australia's richest man, media magnate Kerry Packer, has pledged the equivalent of $2 million to the ambulance service that saved his life last week, officials said Sunday.

Packer will pay half the cost of equipping all ambulances in New South Wales state with heart revival machines similar to the one that restarted his heart after he collapsed and his heart stopped beating while playing polo.

Packer telephoned the offer to New South Wales Premier Nick Greiner from his hospital bed in Sydney's St. Vincent's hospital, where doctors said he was making a ''remarkable recovery.'' Greiner quickly agreed to Packer's proposal.

As a result, all the state's general purpose ambulances will be outfitted with Heartstart 300 machines at an estimated cost of around $4 million

''He rang me in his inimitable way and said, 'I will make you a deal. I will go you halves,''' the premier said Sunday. ''I could hardly refuse.''

Ambulance Superintendent Val McMahon said only 300 of the state's 900 ambulances are presently equipped with the machines because of the cost involved. He estimated Packer's gesture would save 1,000 lives a year.

Packer, whose wealth was estimated by Australian Business Review Weekly last month to be the equivalent of $1.67 billion, owns Australian Consolidated Press, which publishes a number of leading national magazines, as well as a string of suburban weekly newspapers.

He also recently bought a controlling interest in Australia's most successful national television network, the Nine Network, founded by his father, the late Sir Frank Packer.

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BERLIN (OCT. 14) UPI - Voters cast ballots Sunday in elections in the southern state of Bavaria and in the five states formed by the territory of what was, until this month, East Germany.

The conservative Christian Democratic Union is expected to win in at least four of the states, giving Chancellor Helmut Kohl, who is also CDU chairman, a further electoral boost in advance of Dec. 2 national elections.

Only a few voters were gathered at polling stations when they opened at 8 a.m. Twenty million Germans were eligible to vote in Sunday's elections. The five East German states were merged into the 11 West German states on Oct. 3.

Recent polls show that Kohl and the CDU continue to ride on a wave of pupularity generated by the chancellor's role in bringing about German unification.

A survey by the Allensbach Institute showed the CDU leading strongly in Saxony Saxony-Anhhalt and Thueringia and holding a small lead in the Baltic coast state of Mecklenburg-Vorpommern.

The survey showed the Social Democratic Party - the main opposition party - leading only in Brandenburg.

Berliners were not a part of Sunday's elections. The city-state will hold its election in conjunction with the nationwide vote in December.

Election campaigns in the former East German states were low-key and most rallies were thinly attended. This was attributed in part to ''voter fatigue'' as East Germans had already voted this year in national and local elections.

In the March 18 national elections, which ended 40 years of Communist rule, the CDU took 41 percent of the vote and the SPD 22. The Communists - now renamed the Party of Democratic Socialism - got 16 percent.

Campaigning for Sunday's voting was much more heated in the southern state of Bavaria and observers believe the mudslinging between rival parties there set the pace and the mood for the national campaign.

CDU's arch-conservative sister party, the Christian Social Union, is nearly certain to win in Bavaria, but is also likely to register a drop in the support it gained under the leadership of charismatic Bavarian Prime Minister Franz-Josef Strauss, who died in 1988.

Although a change of government is unlikely, the CSU, which has ruled Bavaria for the last 33 years, may lose its absolute majority, while the SPD could make strong gains.

After the elections, each state parliament will assemble and elect an administration headed by a prime minister.

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BEIRUT, Lebanon (OCT. 14) UPI - Lebanese and Syrian troops for a second day Sunday surrounded the French Embassy in Christian east Beirut, where defeated mutinous Gen. Michel Aoun awaited a government decision on his request to leave for exile in France.

Aoun ordered his troops to surrender Saturday after Syrian-backed Lebanese

forces launched an offensive intended to crush his two-year mutiny against the government. He was granted political asylum by France later Saturday.

Official sources said the pro-Syrian government of President Elias Hrawi was reluctant to allow Aoun to flee the country.

Aoun refused last year to accede to an Arab-brokered Christian-Moslem accord setting up a new government in an effort to end Lebanon's 15-year civil war. He had also refused to concede he was no longer prime minister in a transitional government appointed by President Amin Gemayel Sept. 22, 1988.

Aoun's forces had been fighting the presence of Syrian troops in Lebanon and, since January, had also been engaged in a power struggle with a rival Christian militia along a demarcation line splitting east Beirut.

In an emergency session Saturday, the Cabinet decided to put Aoun's case in the hands of the justice minister, Edmond Rizk, authorizing him to take action according to the Lebanese and international law.

A government source, who requested anonymity, said Christian ministers had demanded that Aoun face trial for crimes he allegedly committed in his opposition to the government.

Moslem ministers, he said, suggested that Aoun be allowed to leave for France on condition he refrains from engaging in any political activity and gives up $75 million to the government, not just the $15 million worth of government funds proposed earlier.

The source said the $15 million was the amount of money Aoun admitted he had in French banks. But his holdings also include $50 million of state money he seized and transferred to Paris, and $10 million transferred to him by the Lebanese embassies in Washington and Paris, the source said.

French Ambassador Rene Ala met Hrawi early Sunday to discuss Aoun, officials said. Ala refused to comment.

Aoun surrendered to Lebanese army commander Emile Lahoud hours after Syrian and Lebanese troops launched a large-scale air and ground offensive against his positions early Saturday.

The defeated general fled to the French Embassy in the Christian district of Hazmiyeh after his heaquarters in the presidential palace of Baabda came under heavy shelling.

There was no official word on casualties in the dawn-to-noon operation. Hospital sources said 45 people were killed and 250 wounded, but security sources put the toll as 150 killed and 400 wounded.

Most of the casualties, according to the sources, were among Syrian troops and soldiers loyal to Aoun. The Lebanese army command said only three of its regulars were killed in the offensive.

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KATMANDU, Nepal (OCT. 14) UPI - A Korean member of a joint Japanese-Korean expedition slipped and fell to his death while attepting to climb Mount Everest, the world's highest peak, authorities reported Sunday.

The Ministry of Tourism, quoting base camp reports, said Sang Hun Ham, 27, of Ulsan, South Korea, was taking photographs near the south summit of Everest on Oct. 7 at the 28,540-foot level when he slipped and fell to his death.

The 14-member Japanese-Korean expedition had set up its fourth camp at about 26,250 feet in preparation for an assault on the 29,029-foot summit, the highest point on earth.

The leader of the Korean group, Jong Beak Roh, 41, reported the casualty to the Tourism Ministry, which regulates mountain climbing in Nepal.

Three Koreans and two Sherpa guides from the group successfully scaled the peak Oct. 6.

The death was the fourth of the current autumn climbing season. Earlier, three Soviet climbers died in falls on another peak, 26,758- foot Manaslu.

The Tourism Ministry also reported that a seven-member American expedition Friday abandoned its climb of 26,040-foot Annapurna II because of ''strong winds and extremely cold conditions.''

The team, led by Steven Brimmer, 41, a studio executive from Malibu, Calif., left its base camp for Katmandu en route home.

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SEOUL (OCT. 14) UPI - The prime ministers of South and North Korea will hold a second round of talks this week in Pyongyang, the northern capital, hoping to improve relations and work toward an end to the 45-year division of the Korean peninsula.

A seven-member Seoul delegation led by Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon is scheduled to cross into North Korea Tuesday morning through the truce village of Panmunjom, 35 miles north of Seoul. About 33 support personnel and a 50-member press corps will accompany the delegates.

Kang will meet with his North Korean counterpart Yon Hyong-muk Wednesday morning in the first session of their second round of talks. They will meet once again Thursday, according to an officially agreed schedule. Kang will return home on Friday.

The Pyongyang meeting follows the first round of their unprecedented talks, held in Seoul Sept. 4-7. The Seoul meeting produced no tangible agreement and confirmed that the two Koreas differ greatly over how to achieve rapprochement.

Yet both sides said the Seoul round was useful, providing at least an opportunity to get to know each other better, spokesmen said at the close of the Seoul talks.

In Seoul, the South proposed an eight-point basic agreement for improved inter-Korean relations, under which the two Koreas would recognize and respect each other's political and social system.

The draft agreement also offered that the two sides cease all slander and vilification against each other, do not interfere in each other's internal affairs, do not seek to topple each other, and allow free travel and many-sided exchanges and cooperation between the South and the North.

North Korea had three demands which it said must be met for the talks to progress. It asked that the South stop the Team Spirit military exercises conducted annually with the United States, give up efforts to join the United Nations alone, and free those jailed for unauthorized visits to North Korea.

Seoul countered by saying that Team Spirit exercises were of a defensive nature and cannot be stopped, and that simultaneous but separate U.N. membership for the two Koreas is desirable pending reunification.

It also said the North Korean demand concerning prisoners in the South was tantamout to interference in internal affairs. Foreign news reports have recently quoted North Korean President Kim Il-sung as renewing the demand, which may block progress at the Pyongyang talks.

Kang said at a session with reporters that there is no basic change in Seoul's stand. But government sources have indicated that Seoul will present a detailed proposal for economic exchanges during the second round of talks.

Since the Seoul talks, there has been a major change in North Korea's foreign policy. At a meeting with a Japanese delegation composed of members of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party and the opposition Socialist Party, Kim Il-sung proposed negotiations for rapprochement between North Korea and Japan.

Seoul observers said Kim's move may have been prompted by the normalization of relation between the Soviet Union and South Korea effective Sept. 30.

Seoul officials believed North Korea will have to keep dialogue with the South going while pushing efforts for normalized relations with Japan. Strained inter-Korea reations will not help North Korean efforts to come to terms with Japan, they said.

South and North Korea were divided in August 1945 at the end of World War II.

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#90287u0187 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 14) UPI - Torrents of rain continued to pound New England early Sunday, sending streams over their banks and pouring floodwaters onto roadways in parts of Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

''The roads are a mess,'' said Portsmouth, N.H., police Sgt. Fred Rubino. ''Some of the roads are just completely closed down. A lot of wash outs. ... You've really got to slow down and keep aware of where you're heading.''

Tropical Storm Lili, downgraded from a hurricane Saturday, continued to swing toward the northeast in the Atlantic Ocean Sunday, with maximum sustained winds of only about 50 mph and slightly stronger gusts.

The National Weather Service narrowed its warning that small craft remain in port to an area from Ocean City, Md., to Eastport, Maine, and said there was little remaining likelihood that the storm would affect the U.S. coast.

Lili at 6 a.m. EDT was centered 195 miles south-southeast of the Massachusetts island of Nantucket and was moving to the northeast at 21 mph. Itwas expected to weaken and lose its tropical characteristics as it passes southeastern Newfoundland Monday evening, Canadian weather forecasters said.

The remnants of Tropical Storm Marco, which caused flooding problems as they worked their way up the Atlantic Coast after killing at least nine people late last week in Florida and Georgia, have broken up into so many minor storms they are no longer trackable as a group, the NWS said.

Showers and thunderstorms dumped as much as 5 inches of rain on parts of New England within five hours late Saturday and early Sunday, pouring water onto flooded roadways and into bloated streams at the rate of 2 inches or more an hour in some places, the NWS said.

Extensive roadway flooding, made worse by storm drains clogged with autumn leaves, was reported in the Boston area and elsewhere in eastern Massachusetts. Portsmouth, N.H., police reported flooding on low spots along Route 1 and the Route 1 bypass.

Flood warnings were also posted in much of Connecticut and along the Pemigewasset River in New Hampshire.

Elsewhere, blinding early morning fog socked in much of Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky and the Cumberland Plateau region of Tennessee, the NWS said.

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#90287u0189 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (OCT. 14) UPI - A collision between an open truck filled with workers and a commuter mini-bus taxi killed 24 people and injured more than 30, state-run radio reported Sunday.

The vehicles collided Saturday on a narrow bridge at Phiphidi in the northern nominally independent Venda tribal territory, tipping the truck with more than 60 people aboard into the Mutshindudi River, the South African Broadcasting Corp. reported.

It said 20 people died at the scene and the others in the nearby Tshilidzini Hospital.

A hospital spokesman was quoted as saying the 30-plus injured people were in stable condition.

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CAIRO, Egypt (OCT. 14) UPI - The motorcycle-riding gunmen who killed Egypt's speaker of Parliament in a hail of machine gunfire last week are probably non-Egyptian professional assassins who are still somewhere in the greater Cairo area, security sources said Sunday.

Police arrested an undisclosed number of suspects Saturday who tried to leave Egypt without passports. But the five known gunmen are believed to be still at large and Egyptian police released composite sketches of them based on descriptions by witnesses.

Four men riding two motorcycles blazed away with machine guns at Speaker Rifaat el-Mahgoub's car and an escort police car early Friday in front of a luxury hotel along the Nile, killing the No.2 government official, four policemen and a driver.

Witnesses say at least one other armed man stood at the nearby entrance ramp of a bridge and covered for the motorcyclists.

Security sources said the assassination looked to be a well-planned terrorist attack but said they could not definately link the slaying to Iraq.

Egypt earlier accused Iraq of planning to assassinate government leaders in an attempt to destabilize Egypt for backing United States in the Persian Gulf

crisis that erupted Aug. 2 when Iraq invaded Kuwait.

The composite sketches of the five men, displayed prominently on the front pages of Egypt's leading newspapers, were of Arab men in their 20s.

Security sources said the gunmen ''did not leave the greater Cairo area and the forensic laboratory's conclusion from the investigation is that the culprits were professional assassins.''

Security around Egyptian public figures has been tightened as police hunt for the killers.

The assassination also led to a crackdown on Islamic fundamentalists and sources said a number of them have been arrested since the killings.

It was earlier speculated that Mahgoud was killed by fundamentalists because he was a tough opponent of the fundamentalists in the Egyptian Parliament, but Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency said Saturday the investigation by the Interior Ministry ''ruled out that any radical group in Egypt was behind the incident because of the style in which the crime was conducted and the speedy way it was carried out, and because the culprits used machine guns skillfully.''

Egyptian newspapers said Mahgoub's second in command, Dr. Moustafa Kamal Helmi will take over as head of the People's Assembly, or Parliament, until a new assembly is elected.

Mahgoub was assassinated the day after Egyptians voted overwhelmingly in a referendum for President Hosni Mubarak's plan to dissolve the assembly and hold new elections in two months.

Mahgoub was buried with full honors Saturday at Rabah Al Adwia cemetery in the Cairo suburb of Nasr, or Victory City, with Mubarak leading the procession of mourners.

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JAKARTA, Indonesia (OCT. 14) UPI - OPEC Secretary-General Subroto appealed Sunday for cooperation between oil producers and importers over whether Western countries should begin releasing their emergency oil stocks.

Some members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries want the industrialized nations to use their oil reserves to ease the pressure on oil markets strained by the Persian Gulf crisis.

But the industrialized nations, led by the United States, continue to hold most of their stocks on grounds they may need the reserves later to protect

against real shortages.

Subroto, who once was Indonesia's mines and energy minister, said he has taken no position but hoped it could be resolved through cooperation and understanding on both sides.

OPEC agreed in August to allow its members to raise production to compensate for the Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil lost to the world market by the United Nations sanctions imposed on Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasio of Kuwait.

Subroto told the official news agency Antara he estimated the difference between demand and supply on the world oil market in the fourth quarter of 1990 at 1.5 million to 1.8 million barrels per day.

''With such a total difference, oil consumers believe it is not yet necessary for them to release their oil reserves,'' particularly because they are concerned war may break out in the region, Subroto told Antara.

World oil prices shot past $40 a barrel this week, the highest in 10 years, largely because of the fear of war in the gulf region.

Subroto was in Jakarta to attend the three-day International Energy Conference which is due to begin Tuesday.

Others planning to attend include oil ministers Ginandjar Kartasamita of Indonesia, Jibril Aminu of Nigeria, Celestino Armas of Venezuela, and OPEC's president, Sadek Boussena of Algeria.

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BONN, Germany (OCT. 14) UPI - German Interior Minister Wolfgang Schaeuble remained in serious but not critical condition Sunday, recovering from gunshot wounds inflicted by an apparently deranged drug addict Friday night.

Doctors said Schaeuble was taken off the life support system Sunday morning after a ''satisfactory'' recovery from a five-hour operation at the Freiburg hospital in southern Germany.

A hospital official described the minister's condition as ''serious, but not critical.''

Schaeuble was shot in the head and chest at close range during a campaign rally in southern Germany Friday night. A third shot wounded a security officer who threw himself in front of Schaeuble to shield the minister.

Police arrested the gunman and identified him as Dieter Kaufmann, a drug addict with a police record who had been treated for schizophrenia.

The authorities said they did not suspect an extremist attack, although Schaueble was believed to be at the top of a hit list drawn up by the ultra left-wing Red Army Faction.

As interior minister, Schaeuble is responsible for anti-terrorism operations and was a key negotiator in German unification. The 48-year- old minister is one of Chancellor Helmut Kohl's top aides.

He was shot as he prepared to leave a meeting of the Christian Democratic Union in a restaurant in Oppenau.

Kaufmann fired a small-caliber gun at Schaeuble from about 24 inches, police said. Security guards and bystanders pushed him to the floor and police arrested the man.

Kaufmann admitted planning the attack for six months and told police he felt ''persecuted by the state'' and claimed that he was ''psychologically tortured '' for which he blamed Schaeuble.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 14) UPI - Veteran Vietnamese communist leader Le Duc Tho will be given a state memorial service and funeral Wednesday in honor of his ''great contributions to the revolutionary cause,'' it was announced Sunday.

''Comrade Le Duc Tho' s death is a great loss for our party and people,'' said the announcement released jointly by the Communist Party and the government.

Tho, the tough negotiator who worked out the peace agreement that ended the Vietnam War and refused to share the Nobel Peace Prize with U.S. negotiator Henry Kissinger, was a chief strategist for the communist victory and in its subsequent economic decline.

''Having worked for revolution for 64 consecutive years, he was an outstanding pupil of President Ho Chi Minh and devoted great contributions to the revolutionary cause,'' the official communique said.

Tho died at 1:30 a.m. Saturday, only three days after his 79th birthday, it said.

The announcement said Tho's remains will lie in state in the Ba Dinh conference hall in Hanoi. There will be a public ceremony in his honor on Tuesday and a memorial service and state funeral Wednesday at Mai Dich cemetary in Hanoi, it said.

The ceremonies will be overseen by a 21-member state funeral committee headed by Communist Party General Secretary Nguyen Van Linh, President Vo Chi Cong and Prime Minister Do Muoi, all aging revolutionaries of Tho' s generation.

The official announcement called on ''our entire party, people, and armed forces to turn this sad moment into a strength by making efforts to carry out the renovation undertaking in accordance with the Sixth Party Congress Resolution.''

Ironically, it was at that Sixth Party Congress in December 1986 that Tho was ousted from the party politburo by a reform group led by Linh. Tho was dropped from the party leadership but made a special advisor.

The communique said Tho died of ''a serious illness'' at Army Hospital 108, but gave no further details.

A Vietnamese official contacted by telephone said Tho died of cancer. Earlier this year he sought treatment at a Paris hospital for throat cancer.

Shortly before his death Tho was awarded the Gold Star - Vietnam' s highest civilian award - for his long service to the party.

He was, however, best known for an award he refused to accept - the 1973 Nobel Peace Prize.

Tho told United Press International in an interview later he would have accepted the award if it had been granted to him alone, but not as a joint award with Kissinger because he felt that put the victims and the aggressors on the same level.

Tho was also a key political strategist behind the 1968 Tet offensive that was a military failure but did much to undercut American support for the war.

He also advocated the 1978 invasion of Cambodia and helped oversee the setting up of a pro-Vietnamese government there.

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(OCT. 14) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

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Tropical Storm Lili has weakened and is expected to lose more strength during the next 24 hours. Lili veered away from the Mid- Atlantic coast, easing the weather warnings for Virginia. Forecasters dropped tropical storm watches and warnings for the state, but say there's still a heavy surf advisory.

A small earthquake in the San Francisco Bay area caused a brief shutdown of the Bay Area Rapid Transit System. Service resumed after officials made sure the tracks were in good condition. The tremor reached three-point-one on the Richter scale, but apparently caused NO damage.

The streets of Baghdad were filled with Iraqi children protesting the U-N embargo against their nation. The children waved milk containers and chanted anti-American and anti-British slogans in the government- organized rally outside the British Embassy. Iraq's president says the sanctions are aimed at starving Iraqi children.

A Newsweek survey shows Americans are less supportive of the Israeli cause. The magazine poll found that 60 percent of the 757 people questioned believe the United States should pressure Israel into compromising to achieve peace in the Middle East.

About 20-Million Germans go to the polls Sunday in state elections that are expected to indicate the political trend for the newly united country's December national elections. The conservative party of Chancellor Helmut Kohl is expected to emerge as the big winner in voting in the five former states of East Germany and Bavaria.

There is still NO word in Lebanon on the fate of ousted renegade leader Michel Aoun. Aoun sought refuge in the French Embassy in Beirut after his forces were defeated by the Lebanese military. Official sources reprt soldiers surrounded the embassy awaiting an expected government announcement.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 14) UPI - The abortion rate for unmarried women and teenagers is dropping, the federal Centers for Disease Control reports, but the proportion of black and women minorities going to a legal clinic is increasing.

The proportion of women obtaining an abortion in their state of residence also is increasing, from 89 percent in 1975 to 93 percent in 1983. It has remained at approximately 92 percent since 1984, the CDC reported.

These and other findings are outlined in the CDC's latest abortion surveillance summary that includes the years 1986 and 1987, the latest time period for which figures were compiled. The CDC compared the abortion statistics for those years with the numbers and percentages it collected between 1972-1985. The federal health agency first began it abortion surveillance in 1969.

According to the CDC, 1,353,671 American women obtained legal abortions in 1987, a 2 percent increase over the 1,328,112 reported to the agency in 1986.

The national abortion rate decreased from 24 abortions per 1,000 women ages 15-44 in 1985 to 23 per 1,000 in 1986 and increased again to 24 per 1,000 in 1987.

The CDC admitted, however, that its figures may be on the low side.

''The number of legal abortions reported to the CDC in 1986 and 1987 were probably lower than the number actually performed,'' it said in its ''Abortion Surveillance, 1986-1987.''

It noted that CDC numbers are obtained from central health agencies whose totals are often lower than those collected by direct surveys of abortion providers.

''For example, in 1987, the total number of abortions reported by CDC was approximately 13 percent lower than that reported by the Alan Guttmacher Institute, a private organization that obtains information directly from abortion providers.''

The CDC surveillance took note of a shift in the ages of women getting abortions. It said that in 1972 the women obtaining abortions were almost evenly distributed among three age groups - under 19, 20-24, and over 25 years of age.

''Between 1972 and 1987, the proportion of abortions obtained by teenagers decreased steadily from 33 percent to 26 percent. Upward shifts in the age of women in the population may account for the continuing greater proportion in 1986 and 1987, of abortions gotten by women over 20 years of age.''

Also, from 1972-1985 the proportion of women getting abortions who were unmarried increased steadily from 70 percent to 81 percent. But in 1986 the proportion of unmarried women decreased to 73 percent and further declined in 1987 to 70 percent.

The percentage of black women and women of other minority races increased from 23 percent in 1972 to 32 percent in 1987.

The CDC also said that in 1986 and 1987 the trend continued for a smaller proportion of women to obtain abortions for the first time - 87 percent of women in 1974 and 55 percent of women in 1987 had had no previous abortions.

There was an increase, in this 13-year period, however, in the number of women who had previously had one or more abortions.

''These increases probably reflect the ongoing availability of abortions, the increasing number of women at risk of having a repeat abortion, and the fact that women who have had an abortion are more likely to have another,'' the

report said.

The proportion of black and other minority women under 15 years of age having abortions was approximately twice that of white women in this age group, it said.

In 1986 and 1987, as in previous years, the largest number of abortions were performed in California, New York City and Texas, the federal agency reported. The smallest numbers were performed in Wyoming, Alaska and South Dakota.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 14) UPI - Worshipers crowded into famed St. Basil's Cathedral Sunday to celebrate the first religious service in Red Squqre in 70 years.

The multicolored, onion-domed St. Basil's, even more of a symbol of Russia than the Kremlin, had been empty of religious congregations since 1918 when it was made into a historical museum.

But in the new religious freedom of perestroika, authorities consented to allow Russian Orthodox believers to hold services periodically in the 16th century cathdedral.

Worshippers Saturday night crowded into the dazzling landmark while others stood outside in cobble-stoned Red Square.

Then Sunday morning as bells chimed, Patriarch Aleksii II, the head of the Russian Orthodox Church, led a procession of Moscow clergy around the church right in Red Square.

Inside, the patriarch then celebrated the Orthodox holiday of Intercession marking a vision by believers of the Virgin Mary who spread her cover over the Christians fighting a battle to save Constantinople in the 10th century.

Called St. Basil's because one of its side altars contains the relics of the saint, the shrine is also known as the Intercession Cathedral.

St. Basil's was ordered built in 1555 by Czar Ivan the Terrible, who was so dazzled by structure that legend says the autocrat had the eyes of the two architects, Barma and Postnik, gouged out lest they produce anything more majestic.

Altered and burned down many times, St. Basil's has had a dramatic history. Napoleon, who invaded Moscow in 1812, ordered the cathedral burned down but the plans were not carried out. Instead Muscovites burned down their entire city to force Napoleon from the capital.

On taking power in November 1917, the Communists closed thousands of churches and eventually converted St. Basil's into a state historical museum.

Rumors circulated in the late 1940s that dictator Josef Stalin was going to dynamite the church in the same way that he razed Christ the Savior Cathedral, destroying what was Moscow's second most beautiful shrine. Today it is the site of Moscow's large outdoor swimming pool.

Believers, who got wind of Stalin's plans, laid down in front of St. Basil's to prevent the dynamite charges from being set off.

A group of believers has asked the government to give back the cathedral to the church. So far secular authorities have consented to periodic religious services.

As part of the religious reawakening in the country, believers are also collecting money to rebuild the Christ the Saviour Cathedral, which was razed by Stalin.

A freedom of conscience law passed last month allows the church to set up its own schools and to engage in charity work. It also guarantees separation of church and state, and ends the state funding of atheist propaganda.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 14) UPI - White House chief of staff John Sununu, defending President Bush's standing with the public, insisted Sunday that Americans blame Congress for federal budget problems.

Sununu, appearing on the NBC News program ''Meet the Press,'' also acknowledged that some public support for the administration's Persian Gulf policy will erode. He said Bush is aware of this.

A New York Times-CBS News Poll published Sunday showed that the continuing commitment of U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf region and increasing fears about the economy are taking their toll on the president's popularity.

The poll of 960 adults found economic fears at their highest level in a decade and Bush's overall job rating the worst of his presidency.

A poll by Newsweek mirrored the slide in support among Americans for the president's handling of the economy, dropping from a high of 80 percent in January to its lowest point yet of only 54 percent.

The New York Times-CBS poll found public opinion of Bush's handling of the federal budget deficit slipping only 1 percentage point from the 30 percent recorded in August. His disapproval rating, however, climbed 7 percentage

points from August's 51 percent ranking.

Sununu said Americans see Congress as the one to blame for the failure to reach a budget agreement, a problem that forced a temporary shutdown of non-essential government services during Columbus Day weekend.

''We're not going by the polls, but don't misunderstand the fact that the American public does realize that it is Congress's muddling around and trying to avoid a vote right now that's creating a great deal of the difficulty,'' Sununu said.

Approval of Bush's dealings with the economy was down 9 points in October from August's 45 percent, the newspaper said. Disapproval was up 8 percentage points from 44 percent in August.

Sununu acknowledeged the odds of another government shutdown after the Oct. 19 deadline for reaching an agreement are ''probably relatively high, as that conference will not be completed. At best estimate, that conference will have difficulty being completed by midnight Friday.''

The latest poll, conducted Monday through Wednesday of last week, showed 60 percent of respondents approved of the way Bush was handling his job, down from the 76 percent recorded in a similar Times-CBS poll taken in August just after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The number of those who disapproved increased 15 percentage points from August to 30 percent, the highest disapproval rating of the Bush presidency thus far, the Times reported.

There was a dramatic drop in approval of Bush among citizens 65 and over, whose general economic fears were aggravated by proposals to narrow the federal budget deficit by raising taxes and Medicare premiums, the Times said.

Approval of Bush's handling of foreign policy was down 9 points from a 72 percent rating in August, the poll showed. The number of those who disapproved increased 7 percentage points from 19 percent in August.

Approval of Bush's handling of the Iraq crisis declined from 75 percent just after the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait to 57 percent.

Regarding the gulf policy, Sununu said, ''It should be no surprise that over a period of time support for something like that does erode. I think the president's understood that all along.''

He said Bush recognizes the need for ''a constant re-establishing'' with the public of the reasons for his actions in the gulf.

The Times said the figures in the survey were considered highly likely to

represent the sentiments of the nation's adult population to within 3 percentage points.

The Newsweek telephone poll of 742 Americans found that 65 percent said they disapprove of the way the president is handling the federal budget deficit and 63 percent disapprove of his handling of economic conditions in the United States.

On the budget deadlock in Washington, 41 percent blamed special interest and lobbying groups for the disagreement, while the president, the Republicans, and Democrats each received about one-third of the heaviest blame.

The Newsweek Poll, conducted by The Gallup Organization Oct. 11 to 12, has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 4 percentage points.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (OCT. 14) UPI - With California's race for governor an extremely tight affair, Republican Sen. Pete Wilson is taking every opportunity to stay in the state to fight Democrat Dianne Feinstein - and now he's being forced to defend even that tactic.

As the battle for control of the most coveted gubernatorial post in the nation enters its final few weeks, polls generally show the two-term GOP senator holding a slim lead, with Feinstein, the former San Francisco mayor, in certain striking distance.

For example, a California poll released late last week gave Wilson a 47 percent to 42 percent edge, with 7 percent undecided and 4 percent preferring some other candidate. The margin of error was plus or minus 3.2 percent.

That closeness has kept Wilson hard on the campaign trail in California and away from Washington and the problems before Congress.

He was the only senator not present earlier this month when the Senate confirmed Supreme Court Justice David Souter, and in a recent televised debate Feinstein pounced on the matter, contending Wilson had made a ''mistake'' by being absent.

Deftly defending himself, Wilson quickly replied: ''Mrs. Feinstein would be delighted to have me in Washington. Then she would have the stage for herself.''

Wilson hasn't been back to Washington since Congress returned from summer recess in August. Feinstein, the former mayor of San Francisco who is striving to be the first woman elected governor of California, is making sure the voters don't forget it.

''The people elected him. He's taking a paycheck,'' Feinstein told an interviewer a few days ago. ''I've been in Washington more than he has.''

Feinstein says Wilson's absence from his job as senator indicates how he might perform as governor.

''If you don't do your job, it's an indication you're not going to do your future job, either. When people elect an official, they expect that official to do their job, to be there,'' she said.

Wilson responds by saying he won't play into Feinstein's hands and will stay in California unless his vote is needed to resolve the budget crisis. Curiously, it was Wilson who, in 1985, was taken by ambulance from a hospital to the Senate to cast a critical budget vote.

He stresses that his attendance record is a ''phony issue'' because he has effectively represented California's interests from the campaign trail by making telephone calls to the White House and key Republicans.

But Feinstein keeps on throwing punches and even offered to suspend campaign fund-raisers and public appearances if Wilson returned to Washington.

She has even had some help from an ally, Molly Yard, president of the National Organization for Women, who says if Wilson is really in favor of abortion rights, he would have made a point of voting against Souter, who NOW suspects would vote to further restrict abortion.

Yard advised Feinstein to ''just push that right down his throat.''

There are some signs that the tactic may be getting under Wilson's skin.

As the campaign entered its final month before the Nov. 6 election, both candidates - 57-year-old moderates with many similar positions - have been trying to convince voters they are quite different.

Feinstein, tall, elegant, and possessing ''star'' quality, says she is the candidate of change - totally apart from the bland Republican governor who is leaving office, George Deukmejian, and the lawyerly pin- striped Wilson.

Wilson says his 24-year record in elected office on all three levels of government - local, state and federal - is proof of performance.

Feinstein, he says, offers only promises.

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#90287u0287 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, Egypt (OCT. 14) UPI - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd leveled some of the toughest language yet at Saddam Hussein Sunday, saying the Iraqi president had the choice of withdrawing from Kuwait voluntarily or ''at the point of a gun.''

Hurd, in Cairo on a weeklong tour of the Middle East that will take him to Israel, said at a news conference that Western countries were paying a high price to counter Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, but that the costly military buildup in the Persian Gulf was a necessity.

''I believe that one of the peaceful pressures needed is the growing certainty in Saddam Hussein's mind that the military option exists,'' he said. ''I don't think we're bluffing on that one.''

He said the deployment of 6,000 British troops and a fleet of warships to the gulf had cost Britain, in per capita dollars, more than any other Western country involved in the military buildup, other than the United States.

The British foreign secretary met Saturday with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, one of the staunchest supporters of Western-led efforts in the gulf.

Hurd said the two only discussed the gulf, and not the recent slayings of 20 Palestinians in Jerusalem at the hands of Israeli forces.

He sidestepped questions on the massacre, saying he wanted to first hear the Israeli side of the story, and he repeated his rejection that the gulf crisis is linked to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

Saddam has attempted to tie his invasion of Kuwait with Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza strip in a so-far unsuccessful attempt to garner support in the Arab world.

He said he doubted a major initiative on the Palestinian problem could be taken ''when the Middle East is so disturbed and divided over the Iraqi aggression against Kuwait.''

Hurd, whom diplomats said earlier had taken a softer line on the gulf crisis than that taken by British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, had some harsh words for Saddam.

''He will withdraw (from Kuwait), he has no choice,'' Hurd said. ''His choice is whether he will do it by his own will or by the point of a gun.''

Hurd left later Sunday for upper Egypt and was expected to travel to Israel Monday.

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#90287u0307 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia (OCT. 14) UPI - Ethiopian government troops have won a series of convincing victories against northern rebels in recent weeks, President Mengistu Haile Mariam said in remarks reported Sunday by The Ethiopian Herald.

''The enemy was dealt a crushing blow by by the revolutionary armed forces and was forced to flee in disarray and humiliation,'' Mengistu told the newspaper, confirming reports that government troops and planes were inflicting heavy casualties on Eritrean rebels.

The Eritrean People's Liberation Front has fought a fierce 29-year war aimed at winning back independence for coastal Eritrea, which was self-governed under an Ethiopian federation from 1952 to 1962.

The rebels made significant gains in February when they captured the vital Red Sea port of Massawa, 470 miles north of Addis Ababa, cutting off sea and road supplies to about 300,000 government soldiers 40 miles inland at Asmara.

Western diplomats who visited the area earlier this year said fighting and casualties had not been seen on such a scale since World War I. Hundreds of thousands are thought to have died in all-out, heavily mechanized battles.

Massawa is the only port in northern Ethiopia, and with it rebels held the key to feeding about 4-1/2 million people threatened with famine this year in Ethiopia this year.

Government troops, who still control the road out of Massawa, launched a major offensive in August to try to dislodge the EPLF.

Mengistu said the rebels tried to overstretch their armies by deploying soldiers on multiple fronts, in collusion with the country's other rebel force the Tigray People's Liberation Front, a hardline Marxist organization from central Ethiopia.

But the tactic failed, Mengistu told the Herald, the country's English language daily.

An EPLF spokesman said last week that government claims of victories were false.

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LAHORE, Pakistan (OCT. 14) UPI - President Ghulam Ishaq Khan acted legally last August when he sacked Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and her cabinet and dissolved the National Assembly, Pakistan's high court ruled Sunday.

''The presidential order dissolving the National Assembly and directing that the prime minister and the cabinet shall cease to hold office forthwith was validly passed,'' the court said in its ruling from the northeastern city of Lahore.

Ishaq Khan dismissed Bhutto's 20-month-old administration Aug. 6 on grounds of corruption, nepotism and of failing to control law and order. He appaointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi as interim prime minister until elections Oct. 24.

Bhutto's Pakistan Peoples Party challenged the order as unconstitutional in the high courts in Lahore and in the souhern city of Karachi. The Karachi court has not announced its decision.

''We find that the president was justified in forming the opinion that the government of the federation could not be carried on in accordance with the provisions of the constitution and that an appeal to the electorate was necessary,'' the Lahore court said.

The PPP is expected to appeal the decision in the supreme court but the ruling is a setback to her hopes of returning to power in next week's elections.

Bhutto already faces charges of official misconduct before special disqualification courts that were set up by Ishaq Khan in what many believe was an attempt to bar her from the elections.

Bhutto denies the charges but if found guilty could be barred from politics for seven years.

Llast week, authorities arrested her husband, businessman Asif Ali Zardari, on charges of kidnapping and extortion. Zardari, a PPP candidate for the National Assembly, was remanded to custody until Oct. 24.

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(OCT. 14) UPI - Sheets of rain are scouring New England this morning... flooding roads in Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Tropical Storm Lili continues swinging northeast in the Atlantic Ocean with dying winds averaging 52 miles-per-hour. Small craft are advised to stay in port from North Carolina to Maine... but forecasters say the storm is staying away from the U-S coast.

Pakistan strongly denies a U-S news report it tried to buy high- temperature furnaces to make nuclear weapons. A report this week says government documents show Pakistan tried to buy the furnaces. Pakistan has also refused international inspections of a facility reportedly used to build a nuclear bomb. The Asian country has long been suspected of trying to acquire nuclear

capability to match against India's nuclear power.

Two groups that challenge government repression in Guatemala and Sri Lanka share the fifth annual Carter-Menil Human Rights Prize for ''remarkable courage'' in their fight. The award was founded by former President Jimmy Carter and Houston philanthrophist Dominique de Menil. Carter said in Atlanta yesterday that the winning groups fight for people brutalized by outlaw governments and an apathetic world.

The man who worked continuously as a broadcast news anchor longer than any other journalist is dead. Former C-B-S newscaster Douglas Edwards died at his home in Sarasota, Florida, yesterday at age 73 after a bout with cancer. Edwards was an of C-B-S T-V news from 1948 until his retirement two years ago. He covered stories ranging from World War Two to Watergate... and is remembered by co-workers for his integrity and decency.

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#90287u0375 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

JEDDAH, Saudi Arabia (OCT. 14) UPI - Newly escaped Kuwaiti refugees said Sunday at least 50 young men have been summarily executed in front of their homes in the past week and reported the resistance claims to have downed an Iraqi plane carrying military officers.

The situation in Kuwait has worsened significantly in the past two weeks and Kuwaitis, the refugees said. In addition to organized resistanace, civilians are practicing civil disobedience to protest the Iraqi invasion, they said.

They provided varying estimates on the number of Kuwaitis left behind in the country - ranging from 200,000 to 500,000 of the roughly 750,000 Kuwaitis prior to the Aug. 2 invasion.

Ismael Al-Shatti, an assistant professor at a technical school and a magazine publisher, told reporters Iraqi troops executed young men with a shot to the head in front of horrified relatives.

His voice breaking with emotion, he told of one case in which a young man was forced to kneel before his parents and wife, his mouth forced open and a pistol shot fired through his head.

He said he knew of the incidents because he was ''among the ones who buried'' the 50 victims.

He also said Iraqi troops are beating old men, women and children, and raping women - particularly those who are non-Kuwaiti. There is a large concentration of residents of Third World nations hired to help Kuwait operate its infrastrucature and hold service jobs.

Meanwhile, a woman who escaped several days ago and identified herself only as Fatima, said friends in the resistance reported having apparently downed a civilian Iraqi plane with a Stinger missile. No date was given for the incident.

The Stinger is a shoulder-launched heat-seeking missile built by the United States.

She said the missile was fired by two boys from near the top of a building adjacent to the Kuwait City airport and it struck the plane's engine.

The plane, she said, was filled with ''all military of high-ranking positions'' and it apparently crashed into the Persian Gulf because it did not land at Baasra.

The situation in Kuwait, she said, is ''a jungle and chaos. It's frightening. It's scary. You have to look behind you when you say anything.''

Shatti said that after resistance actions in urban areas started bringing punishment of civilians by the Iraqis, the resistance started concentrating its efforts outside urban areas.

He described how the Iraqis beat the father in a family after finding on the wall a prayer typically uttered by those undergoing tribulations. When an 18-month-old child grabbed the soldier's leg and started striking out at the soldier, he said, the boy was kicked.

Shatti also estimated that the number of Kuwaitis taken away by Iraqi troops is about 5,000.

As an example of the civil disobedience Kuwaitis are practicing, he said, many refuse to register their cars for Iraqi plates because to do so would make them an Iraqi citizen and subject to military service. Many caught driving on Kuwaiti plates simply abandon the car, he said.

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#90287u0405 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

KHARTOUM, Sudan (OCT. 14) UPI - Tens of thousands of Sudanese marched through the streets of Khartoum Sunday to protest Israeli shootings of Palestinians and the Western military build-up in the Persian Gulf.

''Down, down, USA, down, down, CIA,'' they chanted. ''To hell with American Arabs,'' ''Revenge for the martyrs,'' ''Death to Israel and America.''

The demonstrators, in a 2-mile procession, carried banners urging Iraq to launch a chemical weapons strike on Israel in the wake of the shooting last Monday of 20 Palestinians by Israeli security forces in east Jerusalem.

The rally, organized by an extremist Sudanese government-sponsored group calling itself the Popular Commission for Support of the Arab, Islamic and African Peoples, marched on the U.S. Embassy in Khartoum but was turned aside by riot police and gathered in the blazing heat in a city center park instead.

Speakers addressing the throng called for immediate ''Jihad,'' or Holy War against Israel and the United States, the former for its policies towards the Palestinian people and the latter for supporting Israel and opposing Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's annexation of Kuwait.

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#90287u0419 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 14) UPI - Computer hackers are trying to blackmail five British banks by demanding substantial sums of money in return for information on how the high-tech security systems were penetrated, a published report said Sunday.

Since May, the unknown computer enthusiasts have gained access to the banks' central data systems and hatched fears they could cause chaos by planting false information or damaging computer programs, the Independent newspaper said.

The newspaper did not identify the banks, but said all either denied they were victims or refused to comment. None of them has paid any money.

The break-ins may be the largest and most sophisticated ever against British banks and some of the hackers are in contact with each other, but they are believed to be operating separately, the newspaper said.

The hackers have demanded money to disclose how they foiled the elaborate security systems meant to safeguard the computer data, the newspaper said.

David Price, managing director of NetworkSecurity Management, a firm of private investigators, told the newspaper he was investigating computer security breaches at five banks. The banks have not called in the police because of fear of frightening customers.

''They could go back in and sabotage the systems, but they are not threatening to do so,'' Price said. ''I am confident of sucess in catching the hackers,'' he said.

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#90287u0441 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (OCT. 14) UPI - The Israeli Cabinet voted Sunday not to cooperate with a U.N. delegation investigating the deaths of at least 20 Palestinians killed by police during last week's riots on the Temple Mount.

Foreign Minister David Levy said that official Israeli recognition of the delegation, appointed by U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, would raise questions about Israeli sovereignty over Jerusalem.

''The government rejects completely any attempt to establish that Jerusalem is occupied territory,'' he told Israel Radio. ''Jerusalem in all its parts is the sovereign capital of Israel and therefore Israel will not receive the delegation.''

Under the Cabinet's decision, which is likely to further strain ties with the United States, Israeli officials will not cooperate with or provide information to the three-member U.N. commission.

''There is no room for any involvement on the part of the United Nations in any matter relating to Jerusalem, just as the United Nations does not intervene in events, some even more severe, that occur in other countries,'' a Cabinet statement said.

Most nations, including the United States, view East Jerusalem, which comprises the Old City and the Temple Mount, as occupied territory, seized by Israel in the 1967 Arab-Israeli war.

The Cabinet, however, rejected a proposal by Housing Minister Ariel Sharon to prevent the commission from entering Israel.

On Saturday, the U.N. Security Council unanimously approved a resolution condemning ''acts of violence'' by Israeli security forces and ordering a U.N. delegation to investigate the circumstances surrounding the Oct. 8 riots and other similar events in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

''Israeli completely rejects the U.N. resolution,'' Levy said after the Cabinet meeting, adding that the cause of the violence was ''a brutal attack of a mob of inciters and incited on praying Jews at the Western Wall,'' the holiest Jewish site.

Palestinians have charged that police fired indiscriminately at Moslem worshipers, killing at least 20 and wounding hundreds. Palestinians said thousands of Moslems had not gathered at the Islamic holy site to riot, but to ''protect'' it from Jewish fundamentalists they believed were going to lay a symbolic cornerstone for the third Jewish Temple.

Calling for an independent judicial commission of inquiry, the Israeli human rights group, B'Tselem issued a report Sunday charging that police fired randomly at Moslems as well as at ambulances and medical personnel attempting to evecuate the wounded.

''Shooting by the security forces was indiscriminate. Much shooting was done

automatically from the hip, a way by which you can't possibly be very exact regarding your targets,'' Yuval Ginbar told a news conference.

The human rights group and the newspaper Ha'aretz said police and Border Police fired their rifles in the automatic mode instead of shooting single shots of live ammunition.

B'Tselem also disputed claims by Israeli authorities that the police fired in self-defense.

''If there was danger to the lives of the policemen, it was for a very short period,'' Ginbar said. ''The live shooting went on for a long time after there was no longer any danger.''

Israeli officials alleged that the riots were planned in advance to divert world attention from the Gulf crisis to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

Levy told Israel Radio the Cabinet in its deliberations had considered the possible American reaction to a rejection of the U.N. mission.

''We shouldn't agree with the fact that the U.S. government made a mistake and was led by the coalition it formed against (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein,'' he said.

A government committee appointed by Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir began its investigation Sunday into the Temple Mount incident. The three-man committee, which headed by a Zvi Zamir, former head of the Israeli intelligence agency Mossad, does not have the power to subpoena witnesses.

During the closed Cabinet meeting, Shamir said the commission's goal was not to find fault with the police who were doing their duty on the Temple Mount, Israel Radio reported.

The right-wing prime minister said despite their small numbers, the police had fulfilled their duty as best they could and Israelis were grateful, the radio said.

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#90287u0446 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 14) UPI - Californians got a little shaken up last night. A small earthquake rolled through the San Francisco Bay area... but there were NO reports of injuries or damage. The temblor was measured at three-point-one on the Richter scale... and was centered 15 miles northwest of Berkeley. The train and subway system known as BART stopped traffic while workers checked its rails... but has resumed operations.

Buckets of rain are sending streams over their banks throughout New England

this morning. Roads are washed out in Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Police warn drivers to slow down and watch out for low spots. Tropical Storm Lili remains over the Atlantic and is expected to weaken and pass off the coast of Newfoundland by tomorrow night.

The latest poll concludes the public's approval rating for President Bush is at its lowest point. The poll released today finds 60 percent of respondents approve of the way Bush is handling his job. That's down from the 76 percent in August just after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The DISapproval rating doubled to its highest mark... 30 percent. More than half of those polled DISlike the president's handling of the economy.

German voters are casting ballots today in their first election since reunification. Chancellor Helmut Kohl's party... the Christian Democratic Union... is expected to win at least four of the five new states in what was East Germany. The vote may also be an omen for national elections set for December. An election is also being held in the southern state of Bavaria... where the arch-conservative Christian Social Union holds power.

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#90287u0447 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 14) UPI - A retired British pop singer has reportedly won the release of four British Moslems from Iraq. The British Broadcasting Corporation reported yesterday that former singer-songwriter Cat Stevens is in Iraq trying to arrange the release of more than 40 people... including sick and elderly Britons. But he apparently was able to win freedom only for the four Moslems. Stevens converted to Islam and now goes by the name Yusuf Islam.

Official sources say the government of Lebanon is reluctant to allow fallen rebel leader Michel Aoun to flee the country. Aoun ordered his troops to surrender in Beirut yesterday under heavy attack from Lebanese and Syrian soldiers. France has granted him asylum at its embassy... but government troops today remain surrounding the building.

14 South Korean musicians crossed into North Korea today on an UNprecedented 11-day visit to the Communist north. The group entered North Korea through the truce village of Panmunjom and was met by about 600 people. This is the first such authorized visit since Korea's division at the end of World War Two. Members of the group... mostly experts in traditional Korean music... will attend a ''unification music festival.''

Chinese authorities have deported three Japanese students for floating down the Yangtze River in a rubber dinghy withOUT a permit. The Japanese Huck Finns had floated east for two weeks and more than 370 miles along the 24-hundred-mile Yangtze. The Chinese have deported enthusiastic Japanese trekkers previously. Three Japanese were expelled this year for poaching rare

butterflies from a wildlife preserve.

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#90287u0531 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 14) UPI - About 100 people stood outside the United Nations Sunday to denounce American support for an international decision to condemn Israel, and a rabbi charged the White House had begun an ''abandonment of Israel.''

Rabbi Allen Schwartz, a spokesman for the Coalition of Concern, an alliance of Manhattan synagogues that organized the event, told protesters that the U.S. vote in favor of a resolution Friday condemning Israel for last week's attacks on Palestinians was President Bush's ''first step in the abandonment of Israel.''

Protesters, wearing traditional Jewish prayershawls and blowing on rams' horns met at the Isaiah Peace Wall across from the U.N. Secretariat Building, Schwartz said.

The group then marched to the U.S. Mission, where they stood outside waving Israeli flags and listening to rabbis give speeches and offer prayers for peace, he said.

Officer Scott Bloch, a police spokesman, said the protest, which was peaceful and without incident, broke up at 1:45 p.m.

The hastily called gathering was in protest of a unanimous vote late Friday by the U.N. Security Council that condemned violence by Israeli forces in Jerusalem that resulted in the deaths of at least 20 Palestinians last week.

The vote was taken after five days of negotiations in which the Palestine Liberation Organization sought to condemn Israel in strong terms and demanded U.N. protection for Palestinians in the Israeli- occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

It was the first time the United States had voted to censure Israel since June 1982, when the Israeli army invaded Lebanon.

Rabbi Schwartz, of Congregation Chab Zedek on the Upper West Side, said, ''The Security Council vote shows the utter hypocrisy of the U.N. It berates Israel for defending peaceful worshippers at the Western Wall, Judaism's holiest site from a premeditated PLO-inspired attack to support Saddam Hussein.

''At the same time, hundreds of Lebanese have been slaughtered in recent weeks by fellow Arabs with not a whisper of protest from the U.N.,'' the rabbi continued.

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#90287u0548 10/14/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 14) UPI - South Africa says a collision between an open truck filled with workers and a commuter mini-bus killed 24 people and injured more than 30. The South African Broadcasting Corporation reports the vehicles collided yesterday on a narrow bridge in the nominally independent Venda tribal territory. The impact tipped the truck into a river.

Iraq's foreign minister says the Persian Gulf crisis has entered a phase of ''re-evaluation.'' But in remarks in the Jordanian capital Amman yesterday... it was NOT clear whether Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz meant a re-evaluation of Western or Iraqi plans. Aziz delivered an UNknown message to Jordan's King Hussein . In Baghdad, the Iraqi government organized children into an anti-American and anti-British demonstration.

Rescue workers in El Salvador say a geothermal explosion has killed 12 people. The blast occurred in one of 30 government-run geothermic wells near and under the village of El Barro... 45 miles west of San Salvador. A plant technician said the well had NOT been tapped. A Salvadoran Red Cross worker says 34 people were injured. Five families were affected... and in some cases the whole family was lost. Most of the dead are children.

The Nobel Peace Prize is due tomorrow... and Soviet President Gorbachev has the inside track. Norway's media has a good record in handicapping the prize... and has NO doubt about Gorbachev as the favorite. Other top contenders are Czechoslovakian President Vaclav Havel ... African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela... and Chinese student Chai Ling.

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#90287u0551 10/14/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 14) UPI - A convicted con man who claims to heal AIDS and cancer with an UNapproved ozone therapy is in a Fort Lauderdale, Florida, jail on charges of practicing medicine without a license. Englishman Basil Wainwright is being held on 500-thousand dollars bond... an amount his lawyer calls ''ridiculous.'' The government has NOT approved Wainwright's machine... which pumps ozone gas into patients' orifices to allegedly heal anything from yeast infections to AIDS.

Egyptian investigators say the gunmen who killed Egypt's speaker of Parliament are probably foreign professional assassins still in the Cairo area. Police arrested some suspects yesterday... but five gunmen are believed still at large. Security officials say the style and skill of Friday's attack by motorcyclists suggests a terrorist operation... but sources could NOT definitely link the slaying to Iraq.

A Korean mountain climber has fallen to his death while trying to scale Mount

Everest. Nepal's Ministry of Tourism says the 27-year-old climber was taking photographs less than 500 feet from the south summit of Everest last Sunday when he slipped and fell to his death. Three Soviet climbers died in falls on another Himalayan peak this season. An American expedition Friday abandoned its climb of another peak because of strong winds and extreme cold.

Things just areN'T what it used to be in Bluefields, Nicaragua. Residents say cultural and educational programs on Nicaragua's Atlantic coast have been hurt by budget cuts under the new government. October is usually a month-long party in Bluefields... home to a unique mix of descendants of black slaves, Spainiards, Chinese immigrants, and Miskito Indians. But budget cuts have eliminated an annual cultural festival and the town's birthday party.

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#90287u0616 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 14) UPI - Heavy flooding is reported in rain-soaked areas of New England as Tropical Storm Lili continues moving northeast in the Atlantic packing sustained winds of 50 miles an hour. Flood waters from as much as five inches of rain swamped roads in parts of Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire, completely closing some roads. Authorities in Plymouth, New Hampshire say ''the roads are a mess.'' .

Residents of the South are still drying out from last week's deluge from Tropical Storm Marco and the remnants of Tropical Storm Klaus. The National Weather Service says what's left of Marco has broken down into scattered storms. Flooding in Florida and Georiga has claimed at least nine lives.

The budget battle, fears of a recession and the Persian Gulf standoff with Iraq are having a negative effect on the popularity of President Bush. A poll says Bush's public approval rating fell to 60 percent last week, the worst of his presidency. A similiar poll taken right after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait in August gave Bush a 76 percent approval rating.

France has granted asylum to Lebanon's General Michel Aoun, but official Lebanese sources say President Hrawi is NOT sure if he will let Aoun leave the country. The rebellious general was defeated by Syrian-backed Lebanese forces yesterday. Syrian and Lebanon troops were camped around the French Embassy in Christian East Beirut today as Aoun awaits a decision on whether he will be permitted to leave for exile in France.

Germany's interior minister is reported in serious condition. Doctors took Wolfgang Schaeuble off life support this morning and upgraded his condition from critical after five hours of surgery. The German Cabinet minister in charge of anti-terrorism operations was shot in the head and chest at close range during a campaign rally in southern Germany Friday night. Police arrested a gunman they describe as a drug addict who had been treated for mental illness. .

Voters are going to the polls in Germany's southern state of Bavaria and five states that used to be part of communist East Germany today. Chancellor Helmut Kohl's conservative Christian Democratic Union is expected to be the big winner in at least four states, giving Kohl a boost before national elections are held in December. About 20-Million people are eligible to vote today.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - TODAY'S PEOPLE:

SOUNDS OF SILENCE, SOUNDS OF PRETENSE: Paul Simon says there is an air of phoniness to some of his earlier works. ''They're naive and pretentious,'' he told The Washington Post. ''They're young. I'm adopting a voice that I didn't really own, an attitude that I really wouldn't have at the age of 25 or 26, some kind of world-wary alienation.'' Simon, whose new album, ''The Rhythm of the Saints,'' features a Brazilian sound, says he didn't even like ''I Am a Rock,'' one of Simon and Garfunkel's biggest hits. So why were Simon and Garfunkel so popular? ''I'm sure a large part of the audience was as pretentious as I was,'' Simon says.

WHITNEY'S ONLY STAND: Whitney Houston's only concert appearances of the year will be Nov. 23-24 in Atlantic City, N.J., and proceeds from them will go to the Harlem Boys Choir, the New Jersey State Police Benevolent Association and a fund to build a recreation center in Atlantic City. The shows will feature songs from Houston's third album, ''I'm Your Baby Tonight,'' which will be released at the end of the month. Houston is scheduled to start a world tour in the spring of 1991.

ROCKY BUCKS: Did Sylvester Stallone really get $25 million for his upcoming Rocky V?'' ''There are rumors to that effect,'' Stallone told People magazine. ''Put it this way, Rocky has been very good to me. I hate to discuss prices because it sends out the wrong message to your fellow actors.'' Stallone admits that actors' salaries have gone through the roof and that there is bound to be a backlash. ''Lately the prices just keep going and going and going,'' he said. ''But it's all going to end. There'll be a rollback. It'll come when you put yourself on the line, take that kind of fee - and the film doesn't deliver. Then we'll ''ll

AUSSIE HAS HEART: The richest man in Australia is donating $2 million to the ambulance service that saved his life when his heart stopped during a polo

match last week. Media mogul Kerry Packer says he will pay half the cost of equipping all ambulances in the Australian state of New South Wales State with heart revival machines similar to the one that re-started his heart after he collapsed. Packer also made front-page headlines again when he was involved in a scuffle with a newspaper photographer Saturday on the same polo grounds where he collapsed and almost died seven days earlier. Packer was on leave from the hospital and had gone to watch his son Jamie play. Photographer Frank Violi said Packer started tugging on his camera. ''I said 'take it easy,''' he said. ''I was worried for his health. He flicked the camera strap over my neck and took the camera. He opened it up and took the film from me.'' Violi said he was then punched twice by a Packer aide.

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(OCT. 14) UPI - Torrential rains flooded roadways in parts of Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire overnight... and still more rain is falling. Showers and thunderstorms dumped as much as five inches of precipitation within five hours in some parts of New England. Elsewhere, blinding early morning fog socked in much of Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky and parts of Tennessee.

President Bush's popularity rating is declining. A new poll says only 60 percent of the 960 adults questioned approved of the way Bush is handling his job. That's down from the 76 percent in August. The dramatic drop is blamed on the continuing commitment of U-S forces in the Persian Gulf and a slumping economy.

The French Embassy in east Beirut is surrounded by Lebanese and Syrian troops for a second day as the Lebanese government decides the fate of defeated rebel General Michel Aoun. The maverick Christian militia leader wants to leave for exile in France. He was granted political asylum by Paris yesterday after ending his two- year mutiny against the government.

Egyptian security sources say the motorcycle-riding gunmen who killed Egypt's speaker of Parliament are probably professional assassins. And the sources say the assassins may still be in the Cairo area. Speaker Rifaat el-Mahgoub and five other people were gunned down in a hail of machine gunfire Friday.

Germans are going to the polls today in elections to form governments in the southern state of Bavaria and the five states formerly part of East Germany. The director of polling stations in the Brandenburg state predicts Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union will win in at least four of the five eastern states.

South Africa is about to abolish a 37-year-old race law segregating public facilities. Today is the last day the Separate Amenities Act of 1953 will be enforced, dismantling the first of the so-called legal pillars of apartheid.

The law reserved trains, buses, libraries, toilets, swimming pools and other facilities for separate races.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 14) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1. Virginia (29) (6-0)	785	3
2. Miami (7) (4-1)	736	4
3. Nebraska (13) (6-0)	712	2
4. Tennessee (3) (4-0-2)	679	5
5. Auburn (2) (4-0-1)	584	6
6. Notre Dame (4-1)	524	7
7. Florida State (4-1)	458	8
8. Michigan (2) (3-2)	333	1
9. Illinois (4-1)	304	12
10. Brigham Young (5-1)	292	9
11. Georgia Tech (5-0)	290	15
12. Washington (5-1)	284	13
13. Southern Cal (5-1)	271	10
14. Colorado (5-1-1)	241	11
15. Texas (3-1)	51	22
16. Indiana (4-0-1)	47	18
17. Wyoming (7-0)	31	19
18. Mississippi (5-1)	26	20
19. (tie) Tex. Christian (5-1)	16	25
19. (tie) Iowa (4-1)	16	24
21. Texas A&M (4-2)	13	16
22. Clemson (5-2)	8	14
23. Michigan State (2-2-1)	7	NR
24. Oregon (4-2)	6	17
25. Louisville (5-1-1)	2	NR

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: Penn State, South Carolina, Southern Mississippi, Toledo.

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#90287u0922 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 14) UPI - Egyptian police today arrested an American and at least four other suspects in Friday's assassination of Egypt's parliament speaker, the number two government official. Security sources say all five men were arrested at Cairo airport as they tried to leave the country. One of suspects is an American of Egyptian origin and another is an Iraqi. .

15 to 20 other suspects were arrested yesterday when they tried to leave Egypt with false passports. Security sources have said the machine-gun slaying of Parliament Speaker Rifaat el-Mahgoub appeared to be a well-planned terrorist attack, but said they could NOT link it to Iraq. .

Iraq, meanwhile, is rejecting reports it was behind Mahgoub's assassination. The official Iraqi News Agency quoted its own Arab affairs editor as saying Iraq ''strongly denied the charges'' and accusing the Egyptian media of distorting facts. The unnamed editor reportedly says Egyptian security forces should look ''inside Egypt'' for the culprits.

In Saudi Arabia, Kuwaiti exiles met behind closed doors today to discuss reclaiming their homeland from Iraq. The two-day conference in Jeddah has drawn about 12-hundred private Kuwaiti businessmen, educators, professionls and government officials. The pro-democracy forces consolidated their positionagainst returning Kuwait's ousted ruling family to power.

Israel says it woN'T cooperate with a United Nations investigation into last week's slaying of at least 20 Palestinians on Jerusalem's Temple Mount. The U-N Security Council Friday unanimously condemned ''acts of violence'' by Israeli security forces during the bloodbath. .

Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy says the Cabinet decided recognition of the U-N delegation would raise questions about Israel's sovereignty over Jerusalem. However, the Israeli Cabinet rejected a proposal by Housing Minister Ariel Sharon to bar the commission from entering the country.

Lebanon is asking France to turn over rebel Christian General Michel Aoun for trial. France offered Aoun political asylum yesterday after his two-year mutiny was finally ended by Syrian and Lebanese troops. Aoun fled to the French Embassy on the outskirts of east Jerusalem. .

One official says Lebanese President Elias Hrwai has warned the French ambassador that any attempt to evacuate Aoun without the government's consent would cause a diplomatic rift between Lebanon and France. Hospitals say at least 130 people were killed and 500 wounded in yesterday's fighting.

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#90287u1016 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

LAS VEGAS, NV (OCT. 14) UPI - Bob Tway defeated John Cook on the first hole of a sudden-death playoff Sunday to win the $1.3 million Las Vegas Invitational Golf Championship.

The victory was worth $234,000 for Tway, who blew a three-stroke lead that allowed Cook to force the extra hole. Cook's second-place finish was good for $180,000. c

On the first playoff hole, the par-4 12th, Cook pulled his tee shot behind a tree. He appeared to win the tournament when he hit a 95-yard sand wedge shot into the cup. But the ball rolled around a couple of times and bounced back out coming to rest 15 feet away on the fringe.

Tway reached the green in two shots, recovering from a tee shot that found a bunker. He two-putted for par and captured the championship when Cook missed his 15-foot putt.

Tway and Cook each birdied the final hole to force the playoff and finished the five regulation rounds tied at 26-under-par 334. Tway had a 70 on the final round and Cook shot 67.

''It was a very difficult day,'' said Tway who won his first tournament since the 1989 Memorial. ''From the start my swing didn't feel very good. I did, however, hit some very good iron shots.''

Cook, the first-round leader, had only one bad hole Sunday, when he three-putted for a bogey.

''I can be happy and disappointed as well,'' said Cook. ''I can't remember when I played so well when it counted.''

Corey Pavin and Phil Blackmar tied for third at 23-under. Blackmar nearly made it a three-way playoff when he putted for an eagle at 18. But his shot missed by inches. Pavin recorded the day's best round with a 63.

Nolan Henke and Mark O'Meara finished tied for fifth at 22-under.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - NFL SCORING SUMMARIES:

San Diego	2	20	10	7--39
NY Jets	3	0	0	0--3

FIRST QUARTER

SD-Safety, O'Brien tackled in end zone by Grossman, 9:15.

NYJ-FG Leahy 22, 10:16.

SECOND QUARTER

SD-Miller 26 pass from Tolliver (Carney kick), 1:19.

SD-Butts 5 run (carney Kick), 5:05.

SD-FG Carney 34, 13:00.

SD-FG-Carney 42, 15:00.

THIRD QUARTER
SD-Butts 6 run (Carney kick), 7:34.
SD-FG Carney 37, 13:09.

FOURTH QUARTER
SD-Bernstine 40 run (Carney kick), 6:18.

A-76,891

	SD	NYJ
First downs	22	9
Rushes-yards	44--224	23--95
Passing yards	188	53
Sacked-yards lost	2--12	4--22
3rd down eff.	7--13--53.8	1--10--00.0
4th down eff.	1--3--33.3	0--2--0.0
Passes	14--21--0	7--20--1
Punts	0--00.0	4--39.0
Punt returns-yds	3--46	0--00
KO returns-yds	3--26	7--130
Fumbles-lost	4--3	2--1
Penalties-yards	7--65	8--92
Time of possessin	35:37	24:23

Detroit	14	0	0	10--24
Kansas City	3	14	12	14--43

FIRST QUARTER
KC-FG Lowery 21, 5:30
Det-B.Sanders 47 pass from Gagliano (Karlis kick), 5:53
Det-B.Sanders 13 run (Karlis kick), 12:58

SECOND QUARTER
KC-Hayes 1 pass from DeBerg (Lowery kick), 3:21
KC-Okoye 4 run (Lowery kick), 9:05

THIRD QUARTER
KC-FG Lowery, 32, 5:13
KC-Safety, Maas sacked Gagliano in end zone, 5:27
KC-Okoye 1 run (Lowery kick), 7:38.

FOURTH QUARTER
Det-FG Karlis 21, 3:11
KC-Word 53 run (Lowery kick), 5:32
Det-Wilder 8 pass from Ware (Karlis kick), 8:34
KC-Word 1 run (Lowery kick), 14:38

A-74,312

	Det	KC
First downs	21	25
Rushes-yards	22--136	43--310
Passing yards	192	256
Sacked-yards lost	4--29	0--0
3rd down eff.	2--8--25.0	9--15--60.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	1--1--100.0
Passes	12--24--1	15--26--0
Punts	3--47.3	3--40.7
Punt returns-yds	0--0	3--40
KO returns-yds	8--115	5--102
Fumbles-lost	1--1	1--1
Penalties-yards	6--48	6--50
Time of possessin	24:42	35:18

LA Rams	0	0	6	3	9
Chicago	14	14	3	7	38

FIRST QUARTER
Chi-N. Anderson 12 pass from Harbaugh (Butler kick), 5:56
Chi-Harbaugh 12 run (Butler kick), 10:39

SECOND QUARTER
Chi-Morris 18 pass from Harbaugh (Butler kick), 5:20
Chi-Muster 13 run (Butler kick), 13:51

THIRD QUARTER
Chi-FG Butler 27, 6:15
Rams-McGee 11 pass from Everett (PAT failed), 10:27

FOURTH QUARTER
Rams-FG Lansford 35, 1:37
Chi-Anderson 15 run (Butler kick), 3:43

A-59,383

	Rams	Chi
First downs	15	22
Rushes-yards	19--88	35--154
Passing yards	179	248
Sacked-yards lost	1--13	0--0
3rd down eff.	4-12--33.0	9-13--69.0
4th down eff.	0-2--00.0	0-1--00.0
Passes	15--36--1	18--26--0
Punts	4--38.0	2--44.5
Punt returns-yds	1--8	4--29
KO returns-yds	6--106	3--20

Fumbles-lost	0--0	0--0
Penalties-yards	4--42	3--20
Time of possession	25:10	34:50

Dallas	0	0	3	0--	3
Phoenix	7	3	0	10--	20

FIRST QUARTER
Phx-Thompson 1 run (Del Greco kick), 5:26

SECOND QUARTER
Phx-FG Del Greco 28, 8:39

THIRD QUARTER
Dal-FG Willis 37, 1:53

FOURTH QUARTER
Phx-FG Del Greco 28, :03
Phx-Johnson 9 run (Del Greco kick), 8:49

A-45,235

	Dal	Phx
First Downs	9	23
Rushes-yards	19--66	41--223
Passing yards	61	191
Sacked--yards lost	4--27	0--0
3rd down eff.	1-10--10	5-11--46
4th down eff.	1--1--100	0-1--0
Passes	9--25--2	20--28--0
Punts	7--46.9	3--41.7
Punt returns-yards	2--13	5--41
KO returns-yards	5--111	2--25
Fumbles-lost	2--1	3--2
Penalties yards	4--25	6--76
Time of possession	24:31	35:39

Pittsburgh	0	14	7	13--	34
Denver	10	7	0	0--	17

FIRST QUARTER
Den-Winder 1 run (Treadwell kick), 8:46
Den-FG Treadwell 24, :57

SECOND QUARTER
Pit-Lipps 6 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 11:57
Den-Sewell 2 run (Treadwell kick), 9:20
Pit-Green 3 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 1:14

THIRD QUARTER
Pit-Hoge 6 run (Anderson kick), 10:06

FOURTH QUARTER
Pit-Green 10 pass from Brister (kick failed) 10:57
Pit-Green 3 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 3:56

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	Pitt	Den
First downs	25	16
Rushes-yards	30--108	20--66
Passing yards	343	178
Sacked-yards lost	1--10	3--16
3rd down eff.	4-7--57.0	6--14--43.0
4th down eff.	2--2-100.0	0--1--00.0
Passes	21--28--0	17--36--0
Punts	2--43.0	5--48.0
Punt returns-yds	3--11	1--00
KO returns-yds	4--75	2--40
Fumbles-lost	4--2	2--1
Penalties-yards	9--87	9-68
Time of possessin	31:27	28:33

Seattle	0	14	3	0--17
LA Raiders	7	14	0	3--24

FIRST QUARTER
Rai-Smith 1 pass from Schroeder (Jaeger kick), 8:11.

SECOND QUARTER
Rai-Fernandez 3 pass from Schroeder (Jaeger kick), 2:59
Rai-Horton 3 pass from Schroeder (Jaeger kick), 10:47
Sea-Skansi 5 pass from Krieg (Johnson kick), 13:29
Sea-Kane 31 pass from Krieg (Johnson kick), 14:36

THIRD QUARTER
Sea-FG Johnson 34, 12:26

FOURTH QUARTER
Rai-FG Jaeger 22, 4:29

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	Sea	Rai
First downs	19	19
Rushes-yards	19--77	30--78

Passing yards	265	227
Sacked-yards lost	3--29	1--8
3rd down eff.	6--11--55	8--13--62
4th down eff.	0--1--0	0--0--0
Passes	22--36--0	19--26--0
Punts	2--44.0	3--42.0
Punt returns-yds	0--0	1--1
KO returns-yds	2--30	3--55
Fumbles-lost	2--2	1--1
Penalties-yards	3--30	4--31
Time of possession	26:44	33:16

NY Giants	0	7	14	3--24
Washington	3	0	10	7--20

FIRST QUARTER
Wash-FG Lohmiller 42, 10:25

SECOND QUARTER
NYG-Baker 80 pass from Simms (Bahr kick) 4:39

THIRD QUARTER
Wash-FG Lohmiller 35, 2:59
NYG-Anderson 5 run (Bahr kick), 5:50
Wash-Sanders 31 pass from Byner (Lohmiller kick), 9:12
NYG-Bavaro 2 pass from Simms (Bahr kick), 12:34

FOURTH QUARTER
Wash-Riggs 1 run (Lohmiller kick), 9:01
NYG-FG Bahr 19, 12:25

A-54,737 (946 no-shows)

	NYG	Wash
First downs	13	22
Rushes-yards	25--57	37--162
Passing yards	275	166
Sacked-yards lost	1--9	0--0
3rd down eff.	4--11--36	9--14--64.2
4th down eff.	0--1--0	1--1--100
Passes	13--22--0	15--28--3
Punts	3--44.0	0--00.0
Punt returns-yds	0--0	2--10
KO returns-yds	3--70	4--102
Fumbles-lost	1--1	1--1
Penalties-yards	9--60	8--43
Time of possession	24:32	35:28

San Francisco	14	17	7	7-45
Atlanta	7	14	0	14-35

FIRST QUARTER
SF-Rice 24 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 0:27
Atl-Rison 75 pass from Miller (Davis kick), 1:59
SF-Rice 25 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 9:13

SECOND QUARTER
Atl-Butler 35 blocked punt return (Davis kick), 0:14
SF-Sherrard 43 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 7:05
SF-Rice 19 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 13:02
Atl-Milling 5 pass from Miller (Davis kick), 14:38
SF-FG 56 Cofer, 15:00

THIRD QUARTER
SF-Rice 13 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 6:33

FOURTH QUARTER
SF-Rice 15 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 0:35
Atl-Wilkins 3 pass from Miller (Davis kick), 3:02
Atl-Rison 14 pass from Campbell (Davis kick), 7:46

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	SF	Atl
First downs	30	21
Rushes-yards	24-50	14-29
Passing yards	442	365
Sacked-yards lost	4-34	4-24
3rd Down Effec	9-15-60	5-13-38
4th Down Effec.	0-0-0	1-3-33.3
Passes	32-49-2	27-47-0
Punts	5-26.8	5-44.2
Punt return-yards	1-19	1-8
KO return-yds	5-40	5-102
Fumbles-lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-yards	9-68	3-26
Time of possession	36:56	23:04

Green Bay	0	0	14	0--14
Tampa Bay	3	13	10	0--26

FIRST QUARTER
TB-FG Christie 24, 8:59

SECOND QUARTER
TB-FG Christie 32, 5:04

TB-FG Christie 39, 8:56
GB-Hall 14 pass from Testaverde (Christie kick), 13:56

THIRD QUARTER
TB-FG Christie 32, 2:59
GB-Query recovers fumble in end zone (Jacke kick), 6:18
TB-Haddix 29 interception return (Christie kick), 11:10
GB-Fontenot 8 pass from Majkowski (Jacke kick), 14:47

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	GB	TB
First downs	22	15
Rushes-yards	13--36	28--100
Passing yards	345	256
Sacked-yards lost	2--10	4--36
3rd down eff.	4-8-50.0	6-15-40.0
4th down eff.	0-0-00.0	0-1-00.0
Passes	25--42--5	17--28--0
Punts	2--47.5	4--40.0
Punt returns-yds	3--22	2--14
KO returns-yds	5--109	2--26
Fumbles-lost	3--1	3--1
Penalties-yards	9--80	8--65
Time of possession	28:12	31:48

Cincinnati	7	3	7	0	17
Houston	7	24	7	10	48

FIRST QUARTER
Cin-Taylor 2 run (Breech kick), 4:07
Hou-Jones 33 pass from Moon (Zendejas kick), 8:38

SECOND QUARTER
Cin-FG Breech 29, 1:07
Hou-Hill 33 pass from Moon (Zendejas kick), 5:08
Hou-Johnson 30 interception return (Zendejas kick), 6:17
Hou-Harris 42 pass from Moon (Zendejas kick), 12:00
Hou-FG Zendejas 22, 14:41

THIRD QUARTER
Hou-Givins 11 pass from Moon (Zendejas kick), 4:50
Cin-Holman 5 pass from Esiason (Breech kick), 10:33

FOURTH QUARTER
Hou-Jeffires 3 pass from Moon (Zendejas kick), 2:52
Hou-FG Zendejas 23, 7:06

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	Cin	Hou
First downs	17	26
Rushes-yards	31--116	21--113
Passing yards	135	401
Sacked-yards lost	2--11	0--0
3rd down eff	4--10--40	8--11--73
4th down eff	1--2--50	0--0--0
Passes	13--24--3	24--40--1
Punts	2--38.0	0--0
Punt returns-yds	0--0	1--0
KO returns-yds	8--149	1--15
Fumbles-lost	2--1	1--1
Penalties-yards	10--65	9--76
Time of possession	28:30	31:30

Cleveland	0	6	0	14--20
New Orleans	3	6	7	9--25

FIRST QUARTER
NO-FG Andersen 52 10:48

SECOND QUARTER
Cle-FG Kauric 37 4:11
NO-Hilliard 4 pass from Walsh (kick failed) 13:52
Cle-FG Kauric 39 15:00

THIRD QUARTER
NO-Turner 45 pass from Walsh (Andersen kick) 4:01

FOURTH QUARTER
NO-Martin 13 pass from Walsh (Andersen kick) 4:18
NO-Safety, Massey blocked punt out of endzone 5:12
Cle-Slaughter 13 pass from Kosar (Kauric kick) 9:43
Cle-Mack 1 run (Kauric kick) 12:04

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	Cle	NO
First downs	20	19
Rushes-yards	22-81	29--89
Passing yards	157	259
Sacked-yards lost	2--11	1--7
3rd down eff.	6--13--46.2	7--14--50
4th down eff.	1--1--100	1--1--100
Passes	18--36--0	18--31--1
Punts	4--27.8	3--22.0

Punt returns-yds	1--0	1--8
KO returns-yds	1--8	5--74
Fumbles-lost	2--1	1--0
Penalties-yards	7--50	7--76
Time of possession	25:54	34:06

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(OCT. 15) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	4	1	0	.800	130	99	2-1	W-3
Miami	4	1	0	.800	108	73	3-0	W-2
Indianapolis	2	3	0	.400	81	108	0-2	W-2
New York Jets	2	4	0	.333	107	148	1-2	L-2
New England	1	4	0	.200	80	152	1-2	L-3
CENTRAL								
Cincinnati	4	2	0	.667	154	153	0-1	L-1
Houston	3	3	0	.500	146	125	1-1	W-1
Pittsburgh	3	3	0	.500	82	102	1-1	W-1
Cleveland	2	4	0	.333	98	139	1-0	L-1
WEST								
LA Raiders	5	1	0	.833	123	93	3-0	W-1
Kansas City	4	2	0	.667	160	95	0-1	W-1
Denver	2	4	0	.333	141	161	2-1	L-2
Seattle	2	4	0	.333	125	128	0-3	L-1
San Diego	2	4	0	.200	114	108	0-0	W-1

NATIONAL CONFERENCE
EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	5	0	0	1.000	130	67	4-0	W-5
Washington	3	2	0	.600	121	75	3-1	L-1
Phoenix	2	3	0	.400	60	121	2-2	W-1
Dallas	2	4	0	.333	73	122	0-4	L-1
Philadelphia	1	3	0	.250	91	95	0-2	L-1
CENTRAL								
Chicago	5	1	0	.833	142	75	3-0	W-2
Tampa Bay	4	2	0	.667	134	124	4-0	W-1
Green Bay	2	3	0	.333	103	146	1-3	L-2
Detroit	2	4	0	.333	141	169	1-3	L-1

Minnesota	1	4	0	.200	116	103	0-3	L-3
WEST								
San Francisco	5	0	0	1.000	127	94	3-0	W-5
Atlanta	2	3	0	.400	137	139	1-2	L-1
New Orleans	2	3	0	.400	95	100	0-2	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	1	4	0	.200	120	149	0-0	L-3

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(OCT. 15) UPI -Joe Montana threw, Jerry Rice caught and Barry Word ran their way into the record books on an NFL Sunday when offense was king.

Montana threw a team-record six touchdown passes and Rice caught five to tie an NFL record to lift the unbeaten San Francisco 49ers to a 45-35 victory over the Falcons at Atlanta. Montana completed 32 of 49 passes for a career-high 476 yards to lead the 49ers to their club-record 13th consecutive victory over the past two seasons, and their NFL-record 14th straight road triumph. Rice caught a club-record 13 passes for 225 yards.

''This was obviously the best game I've had throwing to Jerry Rice,'' Montana said, who finished one TD pass short of the NFL single-game record. ''They couldn't cover Jerry and our other receivers on one-man coverage.

''They got me with a couple of blitzes, but mostly I had good protection. I had a lot of big plays today because they stayed in man- to-man most of the time.''

Rice tied Bob Shaw of the Chicago Cardinals and Kellen Winslow of San Diego with 5 TD catches in a game.

''You try not to let a game like this go to your head,'' Rice said. ''Joe was sharp and putting the ball on the money.''

At Kansas City, Mo., Word rushed for a club-record 200 yards to lift the Chiefs to a 43-24 victory over Detroit. Word overshadowned the 1989 conference rushing champions, Kansas City's Christian Okoye and Barry Sanders of Detroit.

Word, who carried 18 tiems, scored on runs of 53 yards and 1 yard. Okoye and Sanders scored two TDs apiece.

A former college star at Virginia who was jailed for selling cocaine, Word had only 24 carries this season before Sunday.

''All I wanted to do was come in and give a little spark to the offense,'' Word said. ''That's what I try to do everytime I go in there.''

-- AROUND THE NFL --

- At Houston, Warren Moon threw for 369 yards and a career-high five touchdowns, all to different receivers, lifting the Oilers to a 48-17 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals. Moon also raised his NFL career total to 20,204 yards, making him the first player to throw for more than 20,000 yards in both the NFL and Canadian Football League. He threw for 21,228 yards in six CFL seasons before coming to the Oilers in 1984.

- At Denver, Bubby Brister threw four touchdown passes, including three to tight end Eric Green, to lead the Pittsburgh Steelers to a 34- 17 victory over the Denver Broncos. Brister completed 21 of 28 passes for 353 yards. Louis Lipps caught nine passes for 141 yards and a TD for the Steelers.

- At Chicago, Jim Harbaugh threw for a career-high 248 yards and two touchdowns and ran for another, and Neal Anderson scored twice to fuel the Bears' 38-9 blowout of the Los Angeles Rams. Harbaugh, playing with a broken rib after being listed as questionable at midweek, completed 18 of 25 attempts to improve Chicago to 5-1 and 4-0 at home. The Rams fell to 1-4, for their worst start in a non-strike season since 1965.

- At Phoenix, rookie Johnny Johnson ran for 120 yards and a touchdown to lift the Cardinals to a 20-3 rout of the Dallas Cowboys. Cardinals wide receiver J.T. Smith caught six passes, giving him a club-record 485 over 13 seasons. He broke Jackie Smith's club record of 480.

- At New Orleans, Steve Walsh came off the bench to throw for 243 yards and three touchdowns in his Saints' debut, rallying them to a 25- 20 victory over the Cleveland Browns. Walsh replaced starter John Fourcade with 10:49 remaining in the second quarter and the score tied 3-3. He completed his first eight passes to wake up an offense that had sputtered behind Fourcade. Walsh hit 15 of 26 with one interception.

- At Washington, Phil Simms passed for 283 yards and two touchdowns, including a career-best 80-yarder to Stephen Baker, to lead the undefeated New York Giants to a 24-20 victory over the Redskins. The Giants, 5-0, joined San Francisco as the NFL's only unbeaten teams and jumped to their first 5-0 start since 1941.

- At Los Angeles, Jay Schroeder threw for 235 yards and three touchdowns and the Raiders extended their home winning streak to 10 games with a 24-17 victory over the Seattle Seahawks. Schroeder found Steve Smith with a 1-yard scoring throw in the first quarter and Mervyn Fernandez and Ethan Horton with 3-yard tosses in the second period. The Raiders are unbeaten in the Coliseum since Art Shell replaced Mike Shanahan as head coach Oct. 3, 1989.

- At East Rutherford, N.J, Marion Butts rushed for 121 yards and two touchdowns on 26 carries to help the San Diego Chargers to a 39-3 blowout of

the New York Jets. The Chargers rolled up 412 yards of total offense and the defense registered four sacks and held the Jets to 148 yards.

At Tampa, Fla., the Tampa Bay Buccaneers won on defense when Wayne Haddix, returned one of his two interceptions 29 yards for a back- breaking touchdown in a 26-14 victory over the Green Bay Packers. Steve Christie tied a team record with four field goals for Tampa Bay.

Minnesota plays at Philadelphia Monday night.

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(OCT. 14) UPI - German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's popularity remains intact. Kohl got a further boost today when his Christian Democratic Union sailed to victory in four of the five states of former East Germany. Elections were also held in Bavaria, where projections show the C-D-U's sister party, the Christian Social Union, maintained its absolute majority in the southern state.

Iraq today released four British Moslems following appeals by former pop singer Cat Stevens. The four are the first British men released since Iraq began detaining Westerners as a ''human shield'' to ward off attack. The hostages were on a pilgrimage to Islamic holy places in Iraq when Iraqi forces invaded Kuwait. They're expected to arrive in London tomorrow.

In Saudi Arabia, Kuwaitis who just escaped from their occupied homeland had horror stories to tell. They say Iraqi troops executed at least 50 young men in front of their homes in the past week. One refugee told of how one man was forced to kneel before his parents and wife with his mouth forced open and a pistol shot fired through his head.

Another setback for former Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto . Pakistan's high court ruled today that President Khan acted legally last August when he fired Bhutto and her cabinet and dissolved the National Assembly. Bhutto's 20-month-old government was accused of corruption and nepotism.

Israel's Cabinet voted unanimously today NOT to cooperate with a U-N delegation investigating the killing of at least 20 Palestinians by police on Jerusalem's Temple Mount last week. Foreign Minister David Levy says that if Israel recognizes the mission, it would raise questions about the Jewish State's sovereignty over Jerusalem.

Tens of thousands marched through the streets of Sudan's capital today, protesting the Israeli shootings of Palestinians and the Western military build-up in the Persian Gulf. Banner-waving demonstrators chanted ''Death to Israel and America'' and other slogans in a two-mile procession through Khartoum.

Government troops in Ethiopia are claiming convincing victories against northern rebels in recent weeks. President Haile Mariam Mengistu says his forces dealt ''a crushing blow'' on the rebels, who have fought a fierce 29-year war to win back independence for the coastal province of Eritrea.

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(OCT. 14) UPI - Four Britons are on their way home from the Mideast. They're the first British men to be released since Iraq began detaining Westerners as ''human shields.'' A spokesman for the British Foreign Office says the four- Moslems on an Islamic pilgrimage in Iraq when Kuwait was invaded- are expected to arrive in London tomorrow. Their release follows appeals by former pop singer Cat Stevens.

Lebanese President Elias Hrawi asked France today to withdraw custody of deposed renegade General Michel Aoun and hand him over for trial. Aoun remains at the French Embassy in Beirut, one day after seeking refuge from a Syrian-backed offensive on his headquarters. In Paris, about 100 Aoun supporters occupied the Lebanese Embassy for a second day today. They say they will remain until their leader is granted political asylum in France.

The Israeli Cabinet is saying NO to the United Nations. It voted today NOT to cooperate with a U-N delegation investigating the killings of at least 20 Palestinians by Israeli police during last week's riots on the Temple Mount. The investigation was ordered by the U-N Security Council Friday after it passed a resolution condemning ''acts of violence'' by Israeli security forces.

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(OCT. 14) UPI - Experts with air-sniffing equipment are searching the Excalibur and Tropicana hotel-casinos on the Las Vegas Strip. They're looking for the source of fumes that affected more than three dozen gamblers and vacationers... sending them to the hospital. A fire department spokesman says those who were overcome complained of nausea and breathing difficulties. He says the two hotels were NOT evacuated.

Forecasters say there's little chance now that Tropical Storm Lili will affect the U-S coast. At last report, Lili was about 50 miles southeast of Halifax, Nova Scotia, and moving toward the northeast at nearly 37 miles-an-hour... with top winds of 65 miles-an- hour. The Canadian government issued a heavy rain warning for eastern Nova Scotia, and might issue a high wind warning for part of Newfoundland later tonight.

There is NO confirmation of a report in an Egyptian newspaper, in which a previously unknown group... The World Front for Liberation... claims

responsibility for Friday's assassination of a top Egyptian official. Under Egypt's long-standing state-of-emergency law, police have been rounding up suspects- including, sources say, an American man of Egyptian origin.

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#90287u1459 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 14) UPI - Exiled Kuwaitis met behind closed doors in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, today to discuss ways to reclaim their homeland from invading Iraqis. A senior spokesman for the two-day conference that ends today termed the talks ''frank and candid''... but declined to go into specifics. Delegates also sent thanks to the five permanent United Nations members for their support.

South Africa's 37-year-old race law segregating public facilities expires at midnight tonight. It's the first of the so-called legal pillars of apartheid that President de Klerk has promised will crumble as part of his racial reforms. Legislation passed in June by the government makes today the last day the Separate Amenities Act of 1953 is enforced. The law reserved trains, buses libraries, toilets, swimming pools and other facilities for separate races.

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(OCT. 14) UPI - Las Vegas health officials suspect a backup of sewer gas into two hotel-casinos is what caused scores of tourists to complain of nausea and breathing difficulties today. More than 90 people were hospitalized.

The Iraqi News Agency quotes its Arab affairs editor as saying Baghdad denies it was behind Friday's killing of a top Egyptian official. The editor says Egyptian security forces should look ''inside Egypt'' for the culprits.

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl is celebrating today's electoral victory of his Christian Democratic Union in four of the five states of former East Germany. The Social Democratic Party... the main opposition party... won in the fifth state, but did NOT get a majority.

Canadian autoworkers have voted to accept a three-year contract with General Motors of Canada. Union officials say the settlement is the ''best ever'' negotiated for G-M Canada workers. It boosts wages and lessens the impact of pending layoffs.

The National Institute of Justice says it has approved a 15-thousand- dollar grant to the University of Florida to study the psychological impact of the UNsolved killings of five college students in Gainesville in late August.

24-thousand Soviet police took part in a 24-hour dragnet this weekend meant to reinforce a promise by President Gorbachev to bring law and order to the streets of Moscow. They netted 77-hundred- nine lawbreakers... ranging from

black marketeers to moonshiners.

Australia's richest man is saying ''thank you'' in a big way to the New South Wales ambulance service. Media magnate Kerry Packer is donating the equivalent of two-Million dollars to equip all of the state's ambulances with heart revival machines similar to the one that saved his life recently.

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#90287u1710 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 14) UPI - The first U-S-born musician to become music director of a major American symphony is dead. Leonard Bernstein... laureate conductor of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra... died today in New York at the age of 72. The musician's personal physician says Bernstein died at his Manhattan home of sudden cardiac arrest caused by lung failure. Just last week, it was announced Bernstein would give up his conducting and performing at his piano because those activities were too strenuous for him.

Authorities in Las Vegas now say more than 100 tourists were taken to the hospital today after being overcome by an apparent release of sewer gas inside two hotel-casinos. Hospital officials say most of the people were treated and released. The incident forced the temporary closure of a basement recreational level of the Excalibur Hotel-Casino... and the evacuation of rooms on the 22nd floor in the Paradise Tower of the Tropicana Hotel-Casino. The two hotels are situated across the Strip from each other.

Authorities in Bangkok say a student protesting corruption in the Thai government is in critical condition after pouring gasoline over his body and setting himself ablaze today. A police official says eight other students were arrested for threatening to burn themselves, and were held for psychiatric observation. The self-immolation came on the 17th anniversary of a student-led uprising that toppled a military government also accused of being corrupt.

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#90287u1712 10/14/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 14) UPI - The Lebanese government does NOT want deposed Christian General Michel Aoun to leave the country, and today it asked France to hand him over for trial. The renegade Lebanese militia leader remains holed up in the French Embassy in Beirut, where he fled when a combined Syrian-Lebanese force attacked his headquarters yesterday. He has been granted political asylum.

Comedian Bob Hope and former President Ford were among the 25-hundred people who gathered in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, today to mark the 100th birthday of the late President Eisenhower. The World War Two general and his wife bought a farm near the Gettysburg civil war battlefield in 1951. They moved there 10 years later after Eisenhower's two terms as the nation's 34th president.

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#90288b0006 10/15/1990 ~Business Wire
SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - California Energy Company Inc. (ASE/PSE:CE), Monday announced it has reached an agreement in principle for the placement of a $10 million convertible debenture with General Portfolios Corp., a subsidiary of General Public Utilities Corp. (NYSE:GPR), subject to SEC approval.

''The 15-year 9.9 percent debenture is a part of a financing program designed to capitalize the company for its current and future growth opportunities, while maximizing long-term shareholder value.

''This investment reflects the strong industry support for the development of environmentally clean and renewable geothermal energy,'' said California Energy Co. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Charles T. Condy.

''Concurrent financing, similar in nature, is under way and anticipated to close in the near future as the second tranche of this corporate objective,'' added Condy.

California Energy Co. Inc. is the leading independent developer of geothermal resources in the United states. As operator and owner of the 240 megawatt Coso Geothermal project, the company is also a major wholesaler of electricity.

In addition, the company controls more than 470,000 acres of geothermal prospect lands in Northern California, Oregon, Washington, Utah and Nevada.

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#90288b0011 10/15/1990 ~Business Wire
ALAMEDA, CALIF. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - SmartCap Barrier Compound, an oxygen barrier that prevents oxygen from spoiling the flavor of beer and other bottled beverages, is now commercially available.

SmartCap will be introduced at Interbev, the International Beverage Industry Exhibition and Congress in Chicago, Oct. 29.

SmartCap barrier crowns equipped with proprietary barrier liner compounds are an active barrier which keeps oxygen from penetrating and degrading bottled beverages. Initial shipment of SmartCap Barrier Compound to U.S. brewers is anticipated in the first quarter of calendar 1991.

SmartCap barrier crowns will reduce oxygen contamination of bottled beer by

more than 75 percent compared to ordinary bottle crowns over a typical three month shelf life. SmartCap barrier crowns will preserve the crisp, fresh flavor of bottled beer longer than ordinary bottle closures.

SmartCap barrier crowns act as a barrier to oxygen entering the beverage through the bottle cap, the point of a bottle's greatest susceptibility to oxygen infiltration. SmartCap Absorber Compound, currently under development will actively absorb existing oxygen trapped in the bottle and from the beverage itself in addition to blocking oxygen infiltration.

SmartCap crowns contain proprietary oxygen control compounds developed by Aquanautics Corp. and ZapatA Industries Inc. ZapatA Industries Inc., a major supplier of bottle crowns to United States and international brewers, will initially manufacture and assemble SmartCap barrier crowns.

Aquanautics is a specialty chemical company producing oxygen control technologies. Aquanautics' proprietary synthetic oxygen-binding molecules can be structured into a variety of systems for extracting, concentrating and/or eliminating oxygen. The company is currently developing products for food, medical, industrial and defense markets.

SmartCap is a trademark of Aquanautics Corp.

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WALTHAM, MASS. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - IPL Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:IPLSA) Monday introduced the 6850 8mm cartridge drive for IBM's AS/400 9404 and 9406 series.

The 6850 utilizes advanced helical scan technology to store up to 2.5 GB on a single cartridge, with state-of-the-art Exabyte drives providing increased performance and capacity.

''This product gives IPL the opportunity to share with the AS/400 9404's the same quality 8mm drive that we've supplied to the System 38 and 9406's since 1988,'' said Robert W. Norton, IPL president and chief executive officer. ''There are currently more than 3,500 installations of the IPL drives worldwide.''

Designed as a table-top unit for stand-alone use, the 6850 8mm drive features a full LED readout of current drive operation, position on tape and diagnostic codes. All data is verified by a powerful error correction code built into the tape unit. The 6850 attaches to the AS/400 models B10 through C25 via the SCSI bus, and to the AS/400 models B30 through B70 via the 2601 feature,

making it fully cokmpatible with the host interface.

''We now offer AS/400 customers high capacity tape storage at competitive pricing while continuing to allow data compatibility within the entire AS/400 series,'' said Jim Geronaitis, an IPL Systems product manager.

''The product has been in beta test and has been performing superbly. We're confident this quality product will fit a specific niche within the AS/400 market,'' Geronaitis added.

The 6850 is available in the fourth quarter of 1990 and carries a one-year warranty. Its North American list price is $12,500.

The 6850 cartridge drive joins IPL Systems' current family of tape storage options; the 6820 tape compatible with IBM 1/2-inch reel-to-reel offerings at 1600 and 6250 BPI, the 6860 8mm cartridge, and IPL's 6890 1/2-inch cartridge tape compatible with IBM's 3480 and 3490.

Announcement of the 6850 8mm cartridge drive comes onn the heels of IPL Systems' introduction Sept. 10 of the 7636 Disk Array, a 1.8 GB disk array for AS/400 models B30 to B70. The 7636 features IBM-manufactured disks and offers greater access speed and a lower cost per megabyte than IBM's new 9336 products.

IPL Systems supports the 6850 cartridge drive, and its other products, with an international network of distributors and service engineers. IPL also has its own 24-hour, seven days-a-week technical support service. Service and spare parts are available throughout the United States and Europe.

IPL Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:IPLSA) designs, manufactures, markets and services a broad range of storage products, which includes DASD and tape subsystems, plus memory upgrades for IBM midrange computers. The company was founded in 1973.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - MagneTek Inc. (NYSE:MAG), a leading manufacturer of electrical equipment, Monday announced the results of the company's fiscal 1991 first quarter, which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter were $265,184,000 compared with $237,640,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income was $6,416,000, or 27 cents per

share, up from $5,261,000, or 21 cents per share, in the comparable period in 1990.

Commenting on the results, MagneTek's president and chief executive officer, Frank Perna Jr., said: ''Increases in revenue are attributable primarily to continuing demand for our utility and power products. Strength in a number of industrial, capital goods and defense market niches is more than compensating for weakness in new construction.

''In addition, we reduced our debt and increased stockholders' equity during the quarter, and we believe MagneTek's financial position will continue to strengthen throughout the year.

''We are pleased to have achieved these results while at the same time broadening both our manufacturing base and marketing channels overseas through acquisitions, joint ventures and strategic alliances,'' Perna added.

With headquarters in Los Angeles, MagneTek Inc. provides Energy Engineered electrical equipment and services to a wide range of commercial and industrial customers in the United States and abroad. The company operates 50 manufacturing and service facilities throughout North America and overseas, and employs some 15,000 associates.

MagneTek reported sales of $1.1 billion for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Russell E. Leatherby, president and chief operating officer of UniCARE Financial Corp. (ASE:UFN), announced Monday record operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the current three-month period increased 13 percent to $2,198,000, or 40 cents per share, compared with net income for the third quarter of 1989 of $1,937,000, or 36 cents per share. Consolidated revenues advanced 42 percent to $26,159,000 for the third quarter of 1990 compared with revenues of $18,486,000 for the comparable quarter of 1989.

Premiums earned increased to $23,349,000, and net investment income increased to $2,824,000 for the quarter compared with premiums earned of $16,259,000 and net investment income of $2,227,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

Consolidated revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 36

percent to $70,739,000 resulting in net income of $6,394,000, or $1.17 cents per share, compared with total revenues for the nine months of 1989 of $52,028,000 and net income of $5.55 million, or $1.02 per share.

Leatherby said that, ''Our underwriting performance continued to be favorable with a combined ratio of 98.7 percent for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In addition, total invested assets, including cash and cash equivalents, reached $136,646,000 at Sept. 30, which is equivalent to $25 per share.''

UniCARE Financial Corp, through its subsidiary, UniCARE Insurance Co., is engaged in the business of underwriting workers' compensation insurance in California, targeting larger accounts and emphasizing service to its policyholders.

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NORWOOD, MA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Technologies Ltd. has announced that its laptop BIOS has been selected by Intel Corp. to be shipped with Intel's new 386SL microprocessor SuperSet product evaluation boards.

Intel and Phoenix have worked together for more than a year, as the 386SL product development progressed, to ensure rapid systems software development for the new architecture chips, targeted at the laptop system markets.

Phoenix expects that the resulting early availability of PhoenixBIOS LAP386SL System BIOS and Phoenix's Miser power management routines will further accelerate OEM usage of Intel's highly integrated products.

Phoenix is currently supporting its customers' 386SL projects with source code and object code. PhoenixBIOS LAP386SL, and Miser OEM products for the 386SL microprocessor SuperSet will be available late November.

Phoenix Technologies Ltd. designs, develops and markets systems software products for personal computers and laser printers. Its products allow OEMs to offer their customers computers and printers that are compatible with industry standards. More than 300 of the major personal computer and peripherals manufacturers rely on Phoenix for its system-level software and hardware compatibility expertise.

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BOULDER, CO (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Somatogen announced Monday the addition of Robert A. Swanson, founder and chairman of Genentech, to its board of directors.

Somatogen President and Chief Executive Officer Charles Scoggin said, ''We believe that Mr. Swanson's remarkable experience in biotechnology and outstanding experience in establishing strategic relationships in Europe and Japan will prove invaluable to Somatogen.''

Swanson is joining Dr. George Rathmann (chairman emeritus of Amgen) and Dr. Ralph Synderman (chancellor of the Duke University Medical Center) as outside members of the Somatogen board of directors.

Somatogen is a development-stage biopharmaceutical company engaged in the design, development and manufacture of genetically engineered recombinant human hemoglobin (rHgb) products for the human blood substitute markets.

Through the use of recombinant DNA and molecular biology technologies, Somatogen is developing rHgb products which address many of the problems associated with both blood transfusions and the competitive blood substitute technologies.

Administered intravenously, the primary function of rHgb will be to provide oxygen transport from the lungs to the tissues. It will also act as a colloid volume expander, similar to other proteins such as albumin. Somatogen was the first to conduct preclinical testing of rHgb and clinical testing is scheduled to begin in early 1991.

Somatogen employs 68 people and occupies over 42,000 ft2 in facilities located in Boulder and Broomfield, Colo. Somatogen is a privately held Delaware corporation.

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MILPITAS, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - LSI Logic Corp. (NYSE:LSI) announced

Monday that its proprietary Silicon 1076 product will incorporate VHDL simulation tools from Vantage Analysis Systems Inc.

Silicon 1076 is LSI Logic's ''Concept to Silicon'' VHDL design environment.

Under the terms of the agreement, Vantage's comprehensive simulation tools will be available in all of LSI Logic's design centers worldwide. In addition Vantage will provide VHDL simulation tools to be used for development, training and support purposes at LSI Logic.

As an integral part of Silicon 1076, Vantage will provide LSI Logic with VantageSpreadsheet. This product offers LSI Logic a simulation environment supporting the full VHDL design language, a comprehensive user interface, and modeling strategy.

''When looking for a supplier of VHDL for Silicon 1076, we concluded that Vantage understood the technology from our customers' perspective, and had a solid commitment to the future of VHDL. I am extremely pleased with the signing of this agreement and look forward to a long term relationship,'' said Robert N. Blair, senior vice president of LSI Logic's ASIC Division.

Vantage Analysis Systems Inc. is a recognized leader in VHDL and design verification software. Vantage is the first commercial software company to implement the full IEEE requirements for the 1076 VHSIC Hardware Description Language Standard. The company is headquartered at 42808 Christy St., Suite 200, Fremont, Calif., 94538.

LSI Logic Corp. is a leading supplier of high-performance semiconductors. The company is the premier manufacturer and marketer of HCMOS application-specific integrated circuits (ASICs), with over 10,000 designs completed worldwide.

In addition, the company manufactures and markets MIPS and SPARC architecture RISC microprocessors as well as a growing line of digital signal-processing circuits. The company also develops and sells chips sets and graphic boards used in IBM-compatible computers.

LSI Logic employs more than 4,000 people in the United States, Europe, Japan and Canada. The company is headquartered in Milpitas.

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PORTLAND, ORE. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Pope & Talbot Inc. Monday reported lower earnings for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

Although the company's pulp and paper business had reasonable results, wood products had very unfavorable comparisons in both operating and non-operating areas.

Earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $3,541,000, or 30 cents per share, compared with a record $13,224,000, or $1.11 per share in 1989. Part of the decline came because last year's income included an after tax gain of $3.5 million, or 29 cents per share, from sale of the company's Oakridge, Ore., sawmill and veneer plant. Revenues in the quarter were $140,950,000, down by 12 percent from $160,839,000 last year.

Nine month earnings of $23,140,000, or $1.97 per share, compared with $33,816,000, or $2.86 per share, in 1989. Revenues of $433,774,000 were 7 percent lower than for the first nine months of 1989.

The three areas that make up the company's pulp and paper business were down only 10 percent from last year's third quarter, a good report when compared with others in the forest products industry. The tissue machine rebuild and new dryer installation at the Ransom, Pa., tissue mill were completed in July. Subsequently, tissue profits were ahead of last year.

Higher log costs seemed manageable during the first half of the year because lumber prices were high enough to allow profitability in the Wood Products Division. The picture changed during the third quarter, when lumber profit margins at Port Gamble evaporated and the Division produced a modest loss.

Pope & Talbot Inc. is a publicly held, Portland-based paper, pulp and wood products company traded on the NYSE. Pope & Talbot was founded in 1849 and has operations throughout the United States and in Canada.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Businessland Inc. (NYSE:BLI) has strengthened its management team with the promotion of Michael J. Poehner, 44, to senior vice president, sales and marketing and the appointment of Barry F. Cioffi, 43, as senior vice president, services. Both serve on the Businessland Executive Committee and report to David A. Norman, chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Reporting to Poehner in his new post are the 10 Businessland Area Directors who manage the U.S. sales representatives, as well as marketing, national

accounts and government sales operations.

Poehner joined Businessland in June 1989 as Eastern Region Vice President where he was responsible for growing sales while managing acquisitions, branch office openings, the transition to product integration centers, and the implementation of the outsourcing contract with Eastman Kodak Co.

Prior to Businessland, Poehner was president and chief executive officer of AGB Television Research, a market research business, where he built $24 million in revenues before the company was sold to Maxwell Communications. He spent 17 years in sales and marketing management at IBM Corp., most recently as ISD group director, mid-range systems.

In that position, he and his staff of 80 handled product and market planning for mid-range systems, including product development, forecasting, marketing and sales. Poehner also held branch manager and regional area sales management positions with IBM. He received an MBA in Finance from the University of Connecticut, Storrs in 1974, and a B.S. in Mathematics from Villanova University in 1968.

Experienced in customer service, manufacturing, sales and management issues, Barry Cioffi, a 17-year veteran of Digital Equipment Corp., spent the last five years as vice president of manufacturing and president of Convergent Technologies' service company.

He heads the Businessland service and training organizations that include customer engineers and systems engineers in 50 major markets, a national help desk supporting more than 160 leading products, national training division and a centrally located hardware maintenance dispatch group.

Founded in 1982, Businessland Inc. is an international leader in the distribution, integration and support of microcomputer and workstation systems for business. The company integrates products from selected manufacturers to create systems tailored to specific customer needs and provides the high-level service and support to maximize their productivity.

Businessland operates centers and branch offices in 50 major U.S. metropolitan areas, five metropolitan markets in Great Britain, two in West Germany, five in Canada and one in Japan. Businessland reported sales of $1.4 billion in fiscal 1990.

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REDMOND, WA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Monday announced the

immediate availability of Microsoft Game Shop, combining the fun of computer games with the challenge of computer problem solving in a single package.

Game Shop offers six computer software games including QBlocks, based on the popular TETRIS game, that can be played as is, or modified.

Each game includes suggestions for modifications, encouraging the user to create and solve computer challenges. Game Shop is the first program from Microsoft specifically designed for children.

Microsoft Game Shop will run on most home computers that run the DOS (see footnote a) operating system. Game Shop requires a personal computer with DOS 2.11 or higher, 512 K of RAM, a CGA monitor, and two 5.25-inch drives or one 3.5-inch floppy disk drive. A Microsoft Mouse is optional. Game Shop will take advantage of EGA or VGA graphics, if available.

Game Shop is available now at computer software stores. The product has a suggested retail price of $49.95.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ:MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems, network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, hardware and CD ROM products for the microcomputer marketplace.

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SAN ANTONIO, TX (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Valero Natural Gas Partners L.P. Monday reported third quarter net income of $21.6 million, or $1.12 per limited partner unit, the highest net income achieved in a quarter since the partnership was formed in March 1987.

Net income for the third quarter 1989 was $4.4 million, or 22 cents per limited partner unit. The partnership's net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $32.3 million, or $1.66 per limited partner unit, compared to net income during the first nine months of 1989 of $10.2 million, or 51 cents per limited partner unit.

Third quarter operating income of $32.9 million was 79 percent higher than the $18.4 million reported for 1989's third quarter. For the first nine months of 1990, operating income is up 41 percent to $72.1 million from $51.0 million during the same period last year.

Operating income from the partnership's natural gas liquids (NGL) operations was $18.1 million for the third quarter 1990 compared to $.5 million reported by NGL operations for the third quarter 1989. The partnership's NGL segment benefitted significantly from substantially higher NGL margins and increased ethane production.

NGL margins are determined by the spread between NGL prices and the cost of natural gas from which the liquids are extracted. NGLs compete as petrochemical feedstocks with certain refined products which have increased dramatically in price due to the Middle East crisis.

The situation in the Middle East also has reduced supplies of NGLs available for use as petrochemical feedstocks due to the loss of naphtha and liquefied petroleum gas supplies from Kuwait refineries previously used as petrochemical feedstocks in the Far East.

At the same time, natural gas prices have declined from last year's third quarter. Long-term demand for NGLs should continue to be strong with the completion of new facilities by the petrochemical industry and the use of some NGLs as blending components in the production of oxygenated gasoline mandated by the proposed Clean Air Act.

Natural gas pipeline operating income for the third quarter 1990 decreased to $14.8 million from last year's third quarter operating results of $17.9 million. Low gas demand has caused spot sales margins to remain soft throughout most of the year.

Transportation fees for the 1990 third quarter were higher than those of last year's third quarter due primarily to the expiration of some discounted fee arrangements included in certain take-or-pay settlements.

Lower transportation volumes resulted from weak demand and decreased gas production from producers which have shut in gas reserves until prices improve. Prices have strengthened in October and should continue to be firm as winter approaches and demand increases.

The partnership's third quarter results also reflect a $2.9 million net gain from the disposition of the partnership's interest in two Oklahoma liquids extraction plants and related contract rights which was partially offset by interest costs associated with a legal settlement.

Valero Natural Gas Partners L.P. owns a 7,100-mile intrastate network of natural gas transmission and gathering lines throughout Texas, purchases and sells natural gas to distribution companies, electric utilities, other pipelines and industrial customers throughout the U.S., and provides gas transportation services to third parties. The partnership also owns 10 gas processing facilities and markets natural gas liquids to refineries,

petrochemical plants and domestic fuel distributors.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Semiconductor Equipment and Materials International Monday announced plans to develop a wide range of programs and services for the flat panel display industry in North America, Europe and Asia.

SEMI's flat panel display effort will support an industry with annual sales expected to approach $20 billion by 1996. The SEMI program will include technical education, manufacturing standards, trade exhibitions, market statistics reports and publications.

SEMI is an international trade association whose members manufacture equipment and materials used to build semiconductors. William H. Reed, SEMI president, said the technology used to manufacture semiconductors and flat panels displays are very similar.

Sales of FPD equipment and materials are expected to reach $6 billion by 1996, he added.

Reed said over the past year SEMI has already become involved in the FPD industry. The SEMICON/Kansai-Kyoto 90 exhibition in Japan, produced by SEMI, featured exhibits of FPD equipment and materials and an FPD technical conference.

In the United States, SEMI has worked with the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency to encourage development of the FPD industry. In Europe, SEMI committees have met to discuss manufacturing standards for flat panel displays.

A recent survey showed that 13 percent of SEMI's 1,140 corporate members in North America and Europe already manufacture equipment and materials for flat panel displays. Many others are planning to enter the market within the next 18 months. Reed said that similar interest has already been reported in Japan where the majority of FPD manufacturing is taking place.

Flat panel displays are used widely in laptop computers and hand-held televisions. As the technology advances, many analysts predict they will eventually replace the cathode ray tube (CRT) technology used in most home television sets. There are also current applications, and broad potential, in military and industrial markets, according to Reed.

Flat panel displays have higher resolution and greater clarity than CRT

displays. They also use less power and take up less space. Flat panel displays are built on a base -- also called a substrate -- of glass. Most semiconductors are built on a silicon substrate.

SEMI is an international trade association serving the $20 billion semiconductor equipment and materials industry. Headquartered in Mountain View, SEMI has regional offices in Brussels, Belgium; London; Seoul, Korea; Tokyo and Washington, D.C.

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REDMOND, WA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Flight Simulator Aircraft & Scenery Designer, a new product available Monday for Microsoft Flight Simulator version 4.0, adds new dimensions to the world's most popular flight adventure.

The rich flight environment of Microsoft Flight Simulator has made it the top entertainment software in history, with an installed base of more than 1 million users. Now, with the Microsoft Flight Simulator Aircraft & Scenery Designer, PC pilots can wing their way through an infinite number of worlds created with powerful scenery design capabilities. And they can choose from an expanded fleet of aircraft, including the state-of-the-art Boeing 747-400 as well as an enhanced aircraft design facility for modifying the flight characteristics of experimental aircraft.

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TOKYO (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - PC users can look forward to a new generation of lightweight notebook PCs, thanks to new Intel products introduced here Monday.

The company's new 386 SL microprocessor, along with a peripheral chip, the 82360 SL, will enable computer manufacturers to build a powerful, 32-bit personal computer on a board as small as 4 by 6 inches (the original PC/AT (1) board was 164 square inches and included about 170 chips).

Through the integration of several functions onto the two tiny chips, Intel has taken a major technological step in reducing the size and power consumption of 386 microprocessor-based PCs.

The two chips run all 8086, 286 and 386 microprocessor family applications and operating systems without modification. Together, the chips integrate 1.1 million transistors.

A major feature of the new 386 SL microprocessor is Intel's implementation of a new architectural extension for power management. With this, users can now expect an increase in battery life of up to 50 percent on notebook computers using these new chips.

''Notebook computer users are asking for more functionality and they want 386 performance without compromising the system's size, weight and battery life,'' according to Mike Aymar, vice president and general manager of Intel's Santa Clara Microcomputer Division.

With the extra space on the PC board, computer manufacturers will also be able to add innovative features to notebook PCs such as handwriting recognition and new communications capabilities would allow the user to be ''on line'' wherever the location.

''We expect to see many new features on notebook computers in the future,'' said Aymar. ''Manufacturers can really get creative by using these new chips.''

Intel is an international manufacturer of microcomputer components, modules and systems.

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PALO ALTO, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Frontline Systems Inc. announced that it is now shipping copies of WHAT-IF SOLVER, its new backsolving and optimization add-in, which support Lotus's new 1-2-3 Release 3.1.

Released in July 1990, WHAT-IF SOLVER provides problem-solving capabilities similar to the ''Solver'' utility in 1-2-3/G for users of Lotus spreadsheets

running DOS on computers with as little as 640K RAM and one floppy disk.

Priced at just $199.95, the WHAT-IF SOLVER package contains add-ins for 1-2-3 Release 2.01 and 2.2, 1-2-3 Release 3.0 and 3.1, and Symphony 1.1 through 2.2. Upgrades for WHAT-IF SOLVER users moving from 1-2-3 Release 3.0 to Release 3.1 will be supplied free upon request.

Frontline Systems also announced that it signed an agreement with Addison-Wesley Publishing Co. under which Addison-Wesley will publish a Student Edition of What-If Solver aimed at colleges and universities, especially MBA programs. Addison-Wesley publishes the Student Edition of Lotus 1-2-3.

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CARLSBAD, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Cardiotronics Systems Inc. (OTC) announced that it has extended the exercise period of its Class B warrants for an additional 30 days.

Accordingly, each Class B common stock purchase warrant is exercisable at 20 cents per share until 5 p.m. Mountain Time on Nov. 15.

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SAN LEANDRO, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Rawson Drug & Sundry Company announced Monday that it has acquired the assets of Handy Spot of Northern California, Inc. Rawson is a subsidiary of McKesson Corp. of San Francisco.

Handy Spot is a distributor of general merchandise and health and beauty aids to grocery stores and supermarkets in the San Francisco Bay Area including Sacramento, Modesto, Santa Rosa and San Jose. Rawson Drug & Sundry, which has commenced serving Handy Spot's customers, is the premier service merchandising firm in the western U.S., serving supermarkets throughout Northern California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada and Arizona. Rawson is one of three regional companies that comprise McKesson's Service Merchandising Division. The others are Mass Merchandisers of Harrison, Ark. and Millbrook Distributors of Leicester, Mass.

In addition to its Service Merchandising Division, McKesson Corp. is the nation's largest distributor of pharmaceuticals and other drug store products.

McKesson is also a leading distributor of bottled drinking water, a marketer of automotive appear- ance products and a processor of third-party prescription drug claims. In the fiscal year ended March 31, l990, McKesson reported revenues of $7.8 billion and net income of about $100 million.

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REDMOND, WA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp., the leading provider of software for Apple Macintosh computers, announced support for the Apple Macintosh IIsi, Apple Macintosh LC and Apple Macintosh Classic, which were introduced Monday.

These computers round out the Macintosh line, bringing a lower cost machine for new computer users as well as two new models that incorporate state-of-the-art sound processing capabilities. Microsoft support includes integration of sound capabilities into some of its award-winning applications, as well as the continued offering of Microsoft Works, the ideal product for new computer users.

Microsoft Excel and Microsoft Mail can take advantage of the sound capabilities in the new Apple Macintosh IIsi and the Apple Macintosh LC. Microsoft will make available a sound macro to users of Microsoft Excel for the Apple Macintosh. The macro takes advantage of the sound manager in these new machines and allows for voice annotation of cells within Microsoft Excel spreadsheets. Using the microphone that is available with the Apple Macintosh IIsi, the user can highlight a specific cell in a spreadsheet, then record and playback a message.

Microsoft Mail for AppleTalk is an electronic mail program that enables users to send and receive messages and files to and from other users on a Macintosh network. Microsoft Mail allows not only text but full sound and voice annotation capabilities within e-mail. Voice annotation can be added to messages that contain written text or even file attachments, thus allowing users to add emphasis and express the tone of messages more completely.

Microsoft Works, the best-selling integrated software package, is the ideal match for the Macintosh Classic. With Microsoft Works, users can create letters and documents with the word processor, track company or personal expenses on the spreadsheet, develop a database of names and addresses for a customer mailing, and use drawing tools to create a logo or design a newsletter. And with the communications feature of Microsoft Works, users can exchange information and log onto services such as MCI MAIL, CompuServe and Dow Jones News/Retrieval.

The suggested retail price of Microsoft Works is currently $305. (Until Dec. 31, 1990, Microsoft Works will be packaged with Quicken, the leading personal finance program. The regularly suggested retail price of Microsoft works is $295). The suggested retail price of the entry Macintosh Classic computer will be $1,000, so for as little as $1,300, new users can have a state-of-the-art computer with powerful software.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Toshiba America Information Systems Inc. (TAIS) announced the completion of the principal phases of a $17.5 million facility expansion program at its Mitchell Toner Plant and formation of the new Toner Products Division at ribbon-cutting ceremonies Monday with South Dakota Gov. George Mickelson and local community leaders.

TAIS also announced the inauguration of toner exports to Western Europe from the Mitchell facility, according to Kiichi Hataya, president of TAIS. The move exemplifies Toshiba's ongoing commitment in Mitchell by becoming an international exporter meeting the needs of the global marketplace.

Since 1986, TAIS has invested more than $13 million in the plant. An additional investment plan of $17.5 million was announced in June 1989 for building construction and expansion at the plant.

In June 1991, the facility's overall expansion will be complete, with the addition of production equipment enhancements, bringing Toshiba's total investment in South Dakota to date to $30.5 million and the company's employee base to 200, up from the current 145.

To spearhead the Toner Products Division's operations and toner exports, Toshimichi Ishizawa has been named to the newly created position of vice president/general manager for the new division, Hataya announced Monday.

Previously, Ishizawa served as senior manager in charge of production control at Toshiba's Yanagicho plant in Japan. Ishizawa will be responsible for overseeing the manufacturing, research, marketing and development of toners

and developers for office copiers.

With headquarters in Irvine and annual sales exceeding $1 billion, TAIS manufactures and markets a wide range of business and information-oriented products in the United States. The current product mix currently manufactured in the United States includes laptop computers, plain-paper copiers, facsimile systems, electronic key telephone and PBX systems and cellular mobile phones.

TAIS also markets printers and disk drives.

TAIS is an independent operating company, owned by Toshiba America Inc., a subsidiary of the $29 billion Toshiba Corp., world leader in high-technology products with 72 subsidiares outside Japan.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Stephen G. Nicholson, 35, has been promoted to vice president and manager of float management and billing services at The Bank of California.

As an officer in the Cash Management Group, Nicholson will manage the Float Management, Account Analysis, and Billing and Receivables Units. His primary duties will be overseeing check clearing arrangements, customer account analysis, and non-credit services throughout the bank's tri-state service area.

Nicholson joined The Bank of California in 1986 from Wells Fargo Bank, where he was an assistant vice president and manager of check collection and transportation services. He has a bachelor of arts degree in Information and Communications Studies from California State University at Chico. He is a graduate of the Pacific Coast Banking School at the University of Washington in Seattle.

Nicholson is a member of the California Bankers Clearing House Association, and is a current member and former chairman of its Float Management and Transportation Committees.

A native of Lansing, Mich., Nicholson and his wife, Marylynne, live in Pleasant Hill with their daughter, Katy.

The Bank of California, the sixth largest in the state, was the first incorporated banking institution in the West. The 125-year-old organization has $8.4 billion in assets and offices in three states -- California, Washington and Oregon.

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ALAMEDA, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Ingres Corp., maker of the INGRES relational database management system (RDBMS), Monday annouced the industry's first distributed database system that allows databases from different vendors to operate as a single database.

This family of access products does the work of locating data, determining the quickest way to get to data, and keeping data stored in multiple locations up-to-date. As a result, a company can treat its network of databases as a unified information resource.

The family of access products is composed of five new gateways, including three which provide connectivity between INGRES and IBM databases for the first time, and a significantly enhanced version of INGRES/STAR distributed database manager. The product family also includes the INGRES/NET communications server.

Connectivity between INGRES and IBM data is provided through gateways for IBM's IMS non-relational database, and the DB2 and SQL/DS relational databases. Ingres is also introducing new versions of its Digital VAX gateways, for the RMS non-relational and Rdb relational databases, upgraded to work with INGRES Release 6.0.

INGRES Gateways are the only solution on the market that provides transparent access to both relational and non-relational databases, providing access to multi-vendor data through industry-standard SQL.

The enhanced INGRES/STAR makes it easy to unify, distribute and manage corporate-wide information. The product automatically determines the quickest way to access data, and keeps data at multiple sites consistent and up-to-date.

INGRES/STAR is the only product that supports both data distribution and data unification, allowing organizations to decentralize data, yet maintain control over the information. Ingres Corp. is a world leader in information integration products and solutions for mission-critical applications. The company's primary product is the INGRES RDBMS. Installed on 11,000 manufacturing and enterprise-wide commercial systems worldwide, and available on more than 40 types of computers including PCs and UNIX workstations, the INGRES RDBMS enables organizations to quickly access data spanning a variety of computer systems connected in a network.

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TUCSON, AZ (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Burr-Brown Corp. (NASDAQ:BBRC) announced sales of $43.7 million for the third quarter of 1990, up 4.7 percent from the corresponding quarter of 1989 and up 1.2 percent from the immediately preceding second quarter.

Net income for the quarter was $0.8 million, or 9 cents per share, down 28.6 percent from $1.2 million and 12 cents per share earned in the second quarter.

Operating income was $1.5 million for the quarter, a decrease of 54.9 percent from the immediately preceding second quarter and a decrease of 70 percent from the corresponding quarter of 1989. James J. Burns, president and chief executive officer, said ''Operating income for the quarter was exceptionally low because of a four week shut-down in wafer fab caused by a process problem. No production product shipped was affected.

Order bookings for the quarter were $44.4 million, up 18.3 percent from the corresponding quarter of 1989 and down 3.2 percent from the preceding second quarter. Burns said ''This decline in bookings from the second quarter is consistent with the typical seasonal pattern for our business. However, the decline was not as great as expected. Our book-to-bill ratio for the third quarter was 1 and 1.1 for the year.''

Burr-Brown Corp. is an international leader in precision microelectronics. The company's products range from precision linear integrated circuits to data collection systems and personal computer instrumentation.

The company's integrated circuit components are used in analog and digital signal processing applications found in medical instrumentation, factory automation, automatic test equipment, process control, defense systems and consumer products. The company's system components are primarily used in data collection and communications applications for enterprise automation.

The company has manufacturing facilities in Tucson, Livingston, Scotland, and Atsugi, Japan. Sales and distribution locations are in the United States, Japan, Germany, France, Sweden, England, Switzerland, The Netherlands, Austria Italy and Belgium. Burr-Brown employs approximately 1,500 people.

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Northern Railroad Co.

(NYSE:BNI) announced Monday that it currently contemplates that the Consolidated Mortgage Bonds (the ''New Bonds'') proposed to be issued in connection with its previously announced series of proposed exchange offers to holders of certain of its mortgage bonds and debentures will have the following tentative coupons and maturities:

OLD DEBT SECURITIES	NEW BONDS
Great Northern Railway Company - General Mortgage Bonds	Burlington Northern Railroad Company - Consolidated Mortgage Bonds
3-1/8 pct., Series O, due 2000	6.125 pct. Series L, due Jan. 1, 2015
2-5/8 pct., Series Q, due 2010	3.800 pct., Series K, due Jan. 1, 2020
Northern Pacific Railway Company - General Lien Railway and Land Grant	
3 pct. Bonds, due 2047	3.200 pct. Series M, due Jan. 1, 2045
Prior Lien Railway and Land Grant	
4 pct. Bonds, due 1997	7.375 pct. Series N, due Jan. 1, 2010
St. Louis-San Francisco Railway Company	
First Mortgage Bonds,	
4 pct., Series A, due 1997	7.375 pct. Series N, due Jan. 1, 2010
Income Debentures, 5 pct.	
Series A, due 2006	6.500 pct. Series O, due Jan. 1, 2020

The exact terms of the New Bonds have not been fixed and will be determined immediately prior to the commencement of the exchange offers based upon the market conditions prevailing at such time.

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DENVER (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - AIRCOA Hotel Partners L.P. (AMEX:AHT) announced Monday a cash distribution of 18 cents per Class A unit of AIRCOA Hotel Partners L.P. for the quarter July 1, 1990 through Sept. 30, 1990.

This distribution will be made to Class A unitholders of record as of Oct. 31, 1990 and paid on or about Nov. 15, 1990. Ex-dividend date is Oct. 25, 1990. Quarterly distributions for the first and second quarters of 1990 were 54 cents per Class A unit.

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DENVER (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The National Association of Securities

Dealers (NASD) has informed Chemex Pharmaceuticals Inc. that its securities listings will no longer appear on a daily basis in the Wall Street Journal and certain other publications.

The listings will appear weekly in the Wall Street Journal under the heading ''Additional NASDAQ Quotes.'' According to NASD this change is due to space limitations imposed by newspaper publications.

Chemex management will maintain close contact with NASDAQ and will endeavor to have the listings included in the daily editions of the Wall Street Journal at the earliest possible date.

Chemex (NASDAQ:CHMX, temporarily trading under the symbol CHMXC) is an emerging pharmaceutical company engaged in the development of ethical drugs for the treatment of skin diseases and disorders.

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DALLAS (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Oryx Energy Co. (NYSE:ORX) Monday announced net income of $48 million, or 45 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net income of $6 million, or 6 cents per share, for the same quarter in 1989.

Revenues for the 1990 quarter were $514 million vs. $295 million for the 1989 quarter.

During the third quarter, Oryx Energy's average crude price rose from $15.73 per barrel in July to $29.87 per barrel in September. The price for West Texas Intermediate crude oil, the U.S. benchmark, has topped $40 per barrel amid fears that war in the Middle East could disrupt the flow of oil from that region.

The 1990 third quarter also benefitted from a $12 million favorable tax adjustment. Partially offsetting the favorable impact of rising oil prices and the tax adjustment was higher interest expense resulting from debt incurred in the acquisition of overseas properties and, more recently, from the repurchase of 18 million shares of the company's stock.

Oryx Energy reported net income of $85 million, $.79 per share, for the first nine months of 1990 vs. $125 million, or $1.18 per share, for the first nine months of 1989. Results for 1989 included an $85 million cumulative benefit for changes in accounting principles. Revenues were $1.361 billion for the first nine months of 1990 compared to $905 million for the first nine months of 1989.

The company recently announced certain asset sales and expects to record gains from these sales during the fourth quarter of 1990.

Dallas-based Oryx Energy Co. is the largest independent oil and gas company in the world, with assets in excess of $5 billion and proved reserves of more than one billion equivalent barrels. Oryx Energy conducts its domestic operations through Sun Energy Partners, L.P. and is its managing general partner and 98-percent owner. Oryx Energy trades on the New York Stock Exchange with the symbol ''ORX'' and the partnership with the symbol ''SLP.''

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SAN JOSE CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Hyundai is introducing a 16MHz 80386SX laptop, the Super-LT5, that features a backlit LCD VGA screen, 0 wait states, 2MB RAM installed, and a 40MB hard drive.

It weighs in under 12 pounds (including battery), and is priced (S.R.P.) at only $3,995.

The Super-LT5 is a full-featured laptop that will appeal to power users looking for excellent graphics capability, expansion and flexibility at a very competitive price. It is convenient to carry between office locations, and its light weight in the laptop class makes it easy to travel with.

The Super-LT5 is 8/16MHz switchable. It features 2MB RAM (expandable to 6MB) and 128KB ROM. The screen is a VGA-compatible SuperTwist backlit LCD screen, with a resolution of 640 by 480. The Super-LT5 is configured with a 40MB low-power hard disk drive and a 3.5-inch 1.44MB floppy drive.

The floppy drive controller and clock/calendar are built in. The Super-LT5 includes one serial and one parallel port, and a video port to suppoort an external VGA monitor. It will also support an external floppy disk drive.

The Super-LT5 includes an AC adapter and a rechargeable nickel cadmium battery that lasts two to three hours, and charges in eight hours.

The Super-LT5 weighs 11.6 pounds, including battery, and measures 12.8 inches by 13.6 inches by 3.2 inches. It includes MS-DOS 4.01 and GW-Basic.

In addition to the Super-LT5, Hyundai also sells the Super-LT3 10MHz 80C286 laptop.

As do all Hyundai products, the Super-LT5 comes with an 18-month warranty, one

of the longest in the industry.

Hyundai Electronics America is a major supplier of a full line of quality, reliable personal computer products that are competitively priced.

Hyundai is located at 166 Baypointe Parkway, San Jose, CA 95134; phone 408/473-9200. -0-

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The EtherBridge-L is just one of the many new LAN products that Accton Technology Corp. plans to unveil Nov. 13 at the COMDEX/Fall '90 exhibition in Las Vegas.

Accton's new bridge is a high-speed, self-learning device that interconnects Ethernet LAN segments.

The EtherBridge-L is a stand-alone MAC-layer device designed to partition larger Ethernet networks into multiple, more efficient subnetworks. For example, by installing the EtherBridge between a workgroup and the network backbone, data traffic within the workgroup is isolated from other network traffic to reduce the number of packet collisions and improve network efficiency. Only packets destined to be received from outside the workgroup are passed by the EtherBridge.

In addition to transparently filtering and forwarding data packets, the EtherBridge can serve a cost-effective alternative to Ethernet repeaters since it restores the data signal as it forwards the packet. The bridge is also extremely fast, filtering 12,000 packets per second and forwarding 10,000 packets per second. Because it operates at the MAC layer, the EtherBridge is transparent to all higher-level protocols, such as TCP/IP, DECNET, XNS, and ISO, so multiple IEEE 802.3-based operating systems and networks can communicate at the same time.

Since the Accton EtherBridge-L is a self-learning device, it is easy to install. Once it is connected to the network and activated, it automatically gathers Ethernet address information and stores that information in an internal routing table.

The EtherBridge began shipping today and carries a suggested retail price of $1,599.

Accton Technology Corp. is headquartered at at 46750 Fremont Boulevard, No. 104, Fremont, Calif., 94538; telephone 415/226-9800.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Source Capital Inc. (NYSE:SOR), reported the following total net assets and net asset value per common share at quarter-end Sept. 30, 1990:

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	1989	1990
Total Net Assets	$321,818,977	$274,502,331
Net Asset Value Per Common Share	$43.42	$35.19

(a) After payment of $3.60 per share during the 12-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, and federal income tax liability of 53 cents per share for undistributed long-term capital gains at Dec. 31, 1989.

Source Capital is a Los Angeles-based closed-end investment company managed by First Pacific Advisors Inc., an Angeles company.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OTC. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - A new generation of transcription machines from Sanyo now entering volume production features advanced digital signal processing chip sets designed and supplied by DSP Group.

The chip sets are part of DSP Group's DSPG7000 series, a family specifically designed for the latest generation of transcription and dictation equipment.

The new transcription machines, introduced at the 1990 CeBIT Show in Hannover, represent a joint development effort by DSP Group and Sanyo. Until recently, DSP technology has only been available in larger, much more expensive equipment. Sanyo's new DSP-based products bring this technology for the first time to mass market transcription machines.

One feature allows the users to vary the playback speed from one-half to two times the original speed, while retaining the natural sound of the speaker. This makes transcription easier and faster. The chip sets also include a noise

reduction technique that enhances the clarity of playback.

The third feature is VOX, a highly reliable and accurate recording capability that activates the recording mechanism only in the presence of voice patterns. This results in even greater clarity of playback and less stress on the listener.

Gilo noted with satisfaction that as a result of the success of the joint effort, Sanyo and DSP Group are now exploring additional avenues of cooperation.

Sanyo is one of the largest manufacturers in Japan with sales over $6 billion and more than 35,000 employees. The company manufactures a wide range of electronic products including video equipment, audio equipment, electric home appliances, commercial electronic equipment and information systems.

Founded in 1984, DSP Group Inc. is headquartered in San Jose. The company designs and develops application specific system solutions embedded in chip sets to significantly reduce the complexity and cost of consumer electronic product development while allowing new competitive features.

DSP Group forms partnerships worldwide with companies that manufacture commercial and consumer applications based on digital signal processing.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint has signed a multi-million dollar contract designating US Sprint as the exclusive provider of key telecommunications services for the National Collegiate Athletic Association (the NCAA) headquartered in Overland Park, Kan.

Ron LeMay, president of US Sprint, and Richard D. Schultz, NCAA executive director, made the announcement.

Services provided to the NCAA include domestic and international long distance voice services, 800 and 900 services and teleconferencing.

''This agreement provides us with a multi-faceted solution to our communications needs,'' said Schultz. ''US Sprint developed several innovative ideas that demonstrated their ability to serve our requirements.''

The NCAA already has experienced overwhelming success with its US Sprint 900 number that provided ticket information for the 1991 Basketball Championship Games. The 900 number received thousands of calls from hopeful basketball enthusiasts desiring ticket information.

Other programs that the NCAA currently has under development with US Sprint emphasize the NCAA's pro-active role in encouraging public awareness of the positive role the NCAA plays in athletics programs nationwide.

In a related announcement, LeMay said the company is joining other sponsoring corporations in supporting the NCAA's youth programs across the country.

''We appreciate the opportunity this agreement provides us to drive some of the positive programs for young people sponsored through the NCAA,'' LeMay said.

US Sprint is one of 14 national corporations sponsoring an NCAA program to motivate young people and to educate them about drugs and alcohol. The program includes educational materials for college students and special seminars for youngsters 10 to 18 years old.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City.

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DENVER (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Rocky Mountain Beverage Co. Inc. (NASDAQ:RMBC), producers of Colorado Crystal sparkling water, revealed Monday that it had been contacted by the legal representatives of the Adolph Coors Co. regarding the use of the term ''pure Rocky Mountain spring water'' and the depiction of an outdoor waterfall scene on its label.

''This is absolutely incredible,'' stated Raymond A. Murtha, president and chief executive officer of RMBC. ''A company the size of Coors trying to intimidate a competitor so much smaller in size boggles the mind.''

Colorado Crystal and the Coors brand have been vying for the top position in the Colorado bottled water market since the February recall of Perrier. ''We operate on a very limited marketing budget compared to Coors,'' said Murtha. ''Consumer loyalty to our product has been excellent and has made 'Colorado

Crystal' number one, a fact which probably irked the competition.''

Murtha said that Coors is well aware of the fact that the source of water for Colorado Crystal is a series of protected springs located on top of the Grand Mesa in western Colorado and that the bottling plant is in the Orchard City area, a short distance from the springs.

The legal representative for RMBC, James C. Bull, a partner in the Denver law firm of Bucholtz, Bull and Ewing, in his reply to the complaint, stated the label design is from an original painting by Delta County artist W.R. Doherty and demanded that Coors produce evidence to any exclusive rights to use the term ''Rocky Mountain spring water.''

''Does Coors claim all Colorado waterfalls as its valuable right?'' asked Bull referring to the label design.

''We have the best bottled water on the market today,'' said Murtha. ''We will not be intimidated by anyone, regardless of their size.''

Colorado Crystal is a naturally-flavored mountain spring water bottled at the source in the Grand Mesa area of Western Colorado.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Leonard Green & Partners (LGP) announced Monday that it has completed the $300 million acquisition of Carr-Gottstein, Alaska's largest food and drug retailer and wholesaler.

LGP announced in August that it and Carr-Gottstein's management had agreed to buy the business from then-owners L.J. Carr and B.J. Gottstein.

''We believe the financing for this transaction, which involved our limited partners and a private placement, is indicative of how buyouts will be financed for the foreseeable future,'' said Jon Sokoloff, the LGP partner who directed the transaction.

The three leading institutional investors in the transaction are limited partners in Green Equity Investors, LGP's limited partnership which has a $224 million capital pool.

This is LGP's first buyout since Leonard Green, a pioneer in the leveraged

buyout business and an industry veteran with 20 years of buyout experience, founded the firm late last year.

LGP specializes in organizing and structuring management buyouts. The firm maintains offices in Los Angeles and London.

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SAN LEANDRO, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Monday, Lucky Stores announced plans to distribute an earthquake preparedness poster to Northern California schools for use in the classroom.

The poster is intended to help identify the essential items individuals and families should have on hand to survive, outlines appropriate storage methods for the materials, and provides a handy checklist to follow in the event of an earthquake.

School administrators or teachers may pick up the posters at any of the 184 Lucky Stores in Northern California. The posters will be made available free of charge, beginning Oct. 16.

Lucky Stores Northern California Division is headquartered in San Leandro, Calif. The division operates 184 stores in Northern California.

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FRESNO, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - United Express, operated by WestAir, announced that effective immediately it is cutting air fares between selected cities in California, Oregon and Washington state by 27-46 percent off the lowest fares previously offered on the routes.

WestAir is a subsidiary of WestAir Holding Inc. (AMEX:WAH).

United Express said that in California the discount fares are being lowered on flights linking San Francisco with Fresno, Eureka/Arcata, Redding, Chico, Monterey and Bakersfield. The airline is also lowering fares on routes linking Fresno with both Oakland and Sacramento.

In the Pacific Northwest, the discount fare is being lowered on the Portland-Redmond route and on flights linking Seattle with Pasco, Wash., and

Eugene, Ore.

As an example of the new discounts, United Express said that the lowest fare on the San Francisco-Fresno route is being cut 35 percent from $182 roundtrip to $119.

United Express said that the move is intended to stimulate discretionary passenger travel on the affected routes. ''These are real bargains in a period generally characterized by skyrocketing fuel prices and higher fares,'' said David Brown, senior vice president of marketing.

''Leisure travelers are an important part of our business mix and these fares are being offered on routes that will have an appeal to those customers.''

Brown said the discount fares require seven day advance roundtrip ticket purchase, a stay over a Saturday night, and are non-refundable. The new fares are good for tickets purchased by Nov. 30, 1990.

WestAir Holding Inc.'s airline units operate as United Express through marketing agreements with United Airlines. The company previously announced it is merging its two wholly owned subsidiaries, WestAir Airlines and NPA Inc. into a single airline operation with a Pacific Coast and an Atlantic Coast division.

WestAir serves cities in the west and along the East Coast utilizing both jet and turbo-prop aircraft. The company's major hubs are Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, Sacramento, Fresno and Washington, D.C.

WestAir Holding Inc. is headquartered in Fresno.

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Vitalink Communications Corp. announced financial results Monday for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30 1990.

Donald J. Herman, chairman and chief executive officer, reported that net sales for fiscal year 1990 were $66.8 million, compared with $57.2 million for fiscal year 1989. Net income for fiscal year 1990 was $13.3 million, or 94 cents per share, compared with income from continuing operations of $12.6 million, or $1.01 per share, for fiscal year 1989.

Net income for fiscal year 1989 was $18.7 million, or $1.50 per share, which included an after tax gain of $2 million on sale of discontinued operations

and a $4.1 million tax benefit from the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards. Per-share data is based on a weighted average of 14 million shares for fiscal year 1990, and 12.4 million shares for fiscal year 1989.

For the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales were $14.1 million compared with $17.1 million for the like period in 1989. Net income for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 was $2.1 million, or 15 cents per share, compared with income from continuing operations of $4.2 million, or 30 cents per share, for the like period in 1989.

In comparison to the previous quarter, net income for the third quarter ended June 30, 1990, was $2.4 million, or 17 cents per share, on sales of $15.8 million.

Commenting on the declining quarterly sales and earnings, Herman said, ''While we continue to see a worldwide slowness in business conditions, which we attribute to general economic uncertainties, we have responded to these uncertainties through a recent restructuring of our company to reduce corporate spending levels.''

Reflecting on the strength of the company's financial position, Herman noted that the company's cash position has been increased by almost $11 million during fiscal year 1990 due primarily to cash generated from operations and interest income. Cash and temporary investments have been increased from $81.1 million at Sept. 30, 1989, to $91.8 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

Founded in 1980, Vitalink Communications Corp. manufactures and markets a family of LAN interconnect processors including Ethernet and Token-Ring bridges and bridge/routers, and a comprehensive network management system.

Over 16,000 units are installed worldwide, reflecting the company's position as a leading supplier of internetworking systems used to build large, multivendor computer networks.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The State of Colorado has selected US Sprint to provide telephone communications relay service for persons who are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired.

The Colorado Commission for Disabled Telephone Users made the announcement recently.

''US Sprint most closely met the Federal Communications Commission's

requirements for relay service, as spelled out in the Americans with Disabilities Act,'' said Susan Dickinson, commissioner for the Colorado Commission for Disabled Telephone Users.

''This service is a big step in removing communications barriers for consumers who are speech or hearing impaired,'' Dickinson said. ''Now, more and more people may enjoy the flexibility and independence afforded by the telephone.''

''Residents who are speech or hearing impaired may now call their doctor or the supermarket at any time of day, without having to drive to that location '' Dickinson continued. ''In addition, this new relay service will provide more employment opportunities to those people who previously were not able to use the phone.''

Sprint Services, US Sprint's voice-services business unit, will begin offering relay service to Colorado residents Nov. 1. Sprint Services will route all relay calls through its Austin, Texas relay center, which opened Sept. 1. The center features state-of-the-art technology and operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

''We are excited to bring this new service to Colorado and look forward to providing customers who are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired with equal communications access that other users enjoy,'' said Dan Evanoff, vice president and general manager of Sprint Services.

To communicate with the center, persons who are speech or hearing impaired will use a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) or other compatible equipment. TDD users will dial 1-800-659-2656 to reach a Sprint Services customer relay center agent. The agent then will connect the call to the requested number.

Once the user places the call, the agent will remain on line to serve as a conduit between the two parties. The agent views a message typed into the TDD system and then communicates it verbally to the hearing party. The agent then listens to the verbal response, converts it into written form, and relays it back through the TDD system. A voice user may initiate by dialing 1-800-659-3656.

Evanoff said agents have received training in deaf awareness and sensitivity, as well as American Sign Language transliteration.

Sprint Services anticipates handling as many as 40,000 relay calls per month for Colorado residents.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - RasterOps Corp. (NASDAQ:ROPS), a leader in imaging technology for Apple, Sun, Digital, and IBM platforms, Monday announced color, gray scale and monochrome display boards and systems for Apple's new Macintosh LC computer.

''RasterOps continues to offer the highest quality, most affordable products for successive generations of Macintosh compters,'' said John Barco, product manager at RasterOps. ''Our custom chip-set technology enables us to shorten our time to market and keep pace with our customers' needs.''

The five new products for the Macintosh LC announced by RasterOps are:

RasterOps 8LC Display Board
The RasterOps 8LC Display Board provides 256 colors or shades of gray on a 19-inch color monitor for the Macintosh LC. The board supports image resolutions of 1024 by 768 and 640 by 870 (for Apple's Portrait Display monitor) pixels at a 75 Hz screen refresh rate.

Features include two or four times screen enlargement and quick document panning. The Extended Desktop feature creates a bigger desktop window, advantageous when working with large documents.

RasterOps 8LC Display System
Packaged with a 19-inch color monitor, the RasterOps 8LC Display System features 256 colors or gray shades, 1024 by 768 resolution at 75 Hz, two and four times hardware pan and zoom, and Extended Desktop.

ClearVue/GSLC Display System
The ClearVue/GSLC Display System is a 19-inch gray scale display system for the Macintosh LC. The monitor features 1024 by 768 resolution with a vertical refresh rate at 75 Hz, 8-bit display for 256 shades of gray, two and four times hardware pan and zoom, and Extended Desktop.

ClearVue/LC Monochrome Display Board
The ClearVue/LC Monochrome Display Board supports Apple's Portrait Display monitor with its 640 by 870 pixel resolution, one-bit monochrome mode, two and four times hardware pan and zoom, and Extended Desktop.

ClearVue/LC Monochrome Display System
ClearVue/LC Monochrome Display System is a 19-inch large-screen monochrome system for the Macintosh LC. The display monitor is crisp and clear with a paper-white phosphor for easy readability. The monitor features 1024 by 768

resolution at 75 Hz, one-bit monochrome mode, two and four times hardware pan and zoom, and Extended Desktop. Pricing and Availability

The RasterOps 8LC Display Board has a suggested retail price of $995; the 8LC Display System is $3,795. The ClearVue/GSLC Display System is $2,195. The ClearVue/LC Monochrome Display Board is $695; the

ClearVue/LC Monochrome Display System is $1,795. All five products will be available in November.

RasterOps, with headquarters in Santa Clara, designs, manufactures and markets photorealistic color-imaging products for the graphic arts, printing, publishing and related industries.

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Flextronics Inc. (OTC:FLEX) Monday announced its intent to refocus its Fremont, Calif., manufacturing facility on design services and low volume manufacturing.

The Fremont facility currently employs 200 people in medium-to-high volume electronics contract manufacturing activities. With the cessation of volume manufacturing operations, employment is expected to drop to no more than 50 people by the end of the year.

The decision to refocus the Fremont manufacturing operations is expected to have a substantial negative impact on the reported financial results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, according to the company. However, the magnitude of the impact has not been determined.

In addition to its Fremont facility, Flextronics has subsidiaries engaged in test operations in Maine and California, and owns a minority interest in Flex Holdings Pte. Ltd., a Singapore-based contract manufacturer.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - VMX Inc. (NASDAQ:VMXI) Monday

announced that total revenues for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $13,276,000, compared with $14,152,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

License and royalty income is now presented as part of revenues rather than other income. This reclassification, reflected in both periods presented, was made in recognition that developing, patenting and licensing technology in VMX's industry segment is a basic and continuing component of VMX's business.

During the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company lost $789,000, or 3 cents per share, compared with net income of $619,000, or 3 cents per share, in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

''Our results this quarter reflect a slowdown in new orders, which we believe resulted from softening economic conditions and business uncertainty,'' VMX Chief Executive Officer Pat Howard said.

''Larger orders were delayed, most notably in the federal government market. We are maintaining our strategy of controlled investments in the key areas of new product development, sales and marketing, because they are essential to our long term position in the industry. This strategy, which began two years ago, has already yielded two new products, the VMX 100 and more recently, VMXworks, shipments of which commenced in the first quarter.

''In light of changing economic conditions, we have imposed additional expense controls to make sure operating expenses remain properly scaled to economic activity and market conditions.''

Focused on providing call and message processing solutions, VMX has sold and installed more than 5,400 systems worldwide. VMX products are distributed throughout North America and in more than 25 additional countries through value-adding systems integrators, OEMs and directly by VMX sales offices.

Headquartered in San Jose, the company has a major manufacturing, engineering, sales and support facility in Dallas. VMX sales offices are located in Los Angeles, New York, Chicago, Atlanta, Washington and London.

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CARPINTERIA, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Sound Corp. (NASDAQ:DGSD) announced Monday its results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 30 1990	Sept. 30 1989	Sept. 30 1990	Sept. 30 1989

	(In thousands, except per share data)			
Net sales	$ 5,213	$ 8,534	$20,007	$19,085
Net income (loss)	$(1,343)	$ 1,518	$ (164)	$ 2,350
Earnings (loss) per share	(7 cents)	10 cents	(1 cent)	15 cents
Weighted average common shares	19,532	15,746	18,401	15,741

Digital Sound Corp. designs, manufactures and markets general purpose voice processing platforms for voice messaging, interactive voice response and other applications.

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LAKEWOOD, Colo. (OCT 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Capital Associates Inc., a major financial services and asset management company, announced Monday that it is reporting a $5.5 million loss (62 cents per share), on revenues of $37.7 million for the first fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares to a $246,000 loss (3 cents per share), on revenues of $35.6 million for the fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989.

The fiscal first quarter 1991 loss includes a $4.3 million provision for losses recorded in the statement of operations. This charge comprises a $1.5 million provision for investment in assets leased to Integrated Resources and Pandick Press; a $1.7 million write-down of the company's investment in its 50 percent owned subsidiary, Corporate Express; and a $.8 million accounting estimate change related to the method of evaluating certain types of retained residual values.

The company's operations in the first fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, before consideration of the provision for losses, resulted in a pretax loss of $1.7 million. This loss is principally attributable to a decrease in new equipment sales and an increase in operating expenses including non-recurring professional fees related to completion of the company's internal organizational plans.

Richard Kazan, Capital Associates' chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''The loss we are reporting primarily reflects non-recurring conditions and the thorough review of our business we have been undertaking for the past several months. It masks significant improvements in our basic businesses

including a 38 percent quarter to quarter increase in leasing revenues while achieving a 29 percent gross margin; equalling our best quarterly leasing margin performance since 1988.

''Further, although unusually high due to continuing investments in organizational improvements, our operating expenses were close to our budget.''

Ronald Larson, the company's recently appointed executive vice president and chief financial officer, said: ''I am pleased with the improvements we are making to business systems and controls. The company-wide database management system we have been developing for the past several months is now being implemented.

''We have effectively centralized and streamlined controls related to pricing, underwriting, risk rating and the establishment of residual values. And, our newly formed asset management function is off to a running start.''

Capital Associates Inc. has arranged approximately $2 billion of asset financing. The company provides its predominantly Fortune 1000 customers with innovative and customized solution for equipment financing needs. Capital Associates is headquartered in the greater Denver area and maintains 20 offices nationwide and in Japan.

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SAN JOSE, Calif. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Aspect Telecommunications Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ASPT) Monday announced record revenues and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net revenues of $14.1 million for the quarter represent a 13 percent increase over the prior quarter's $12.5 million in net revenues and a 66 percent increase over the like quarter last year. Income from operations for the quarter was $2 million.

Income after taxes and before extraordinary tax credit was $1.6 million, representing a 48 percent increase over the prior quarter and a 418 percent increase from the comparable 1989 quarter. Net income per share before extraordinary tax credit was 16 cents, representing a 38 percent increase over the prior quarter and a 305 percent increase over the comparable period of 1989.

Net revenues for the first three quarters of 1990 totalled $37.7 million, up 85 percent from the comparable period in 1989. Net income before extraordinary tax credit and net income per share before extraordinary tax

credit for the first three quarters of 1990 was $3.4 million, and 37 cents respectively, up from $1.1 million, and 7 cents, respectively, for the comparable period in 1989.

James R. Carreker, president and chief executive officer said: ''Our business remains strong and we continue to hear from our growing customer base that they are pleased with the Aspect CallCenter System and our support staff. We remain focused on delivering sustainable competitive value to customers who utilize our systems in a variety of mission-critical applications across a broad range of industries.''

Aspect Telecommunications Corp. develops, manufactures, markets and supports call transaction processing systems. Aspect CallCenter Systems have been installed throughout the United States and the United Kingdom for customers in industries such as travel, high technology, catalog retail, financial services entertainment and publishing.

Corporate headquarters are located at 1730 Fox Drive., San Jose, CA 95131; 408/441-2200.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - We are extremely pleased to learn that America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) has received Department of Transportation authorization to provide service between Nagoya, Japan, and Honolulu, Hawaii.

America West will being offering this daily service in early 1991 utilizing the 381 passenger Boeing 747 aircraft.

We are particularly gratified that DOT Deputy Assistant Secretary Murphy found that America West's proposal would provide the greatest public benefits of all applicants. He pointed out that America West would ''provide a competitive spur to existing Honolulu services to both Osaka and Toyko'' and that America West has the ability to ''enhance intergateway competition at both ends of the market.''

This route authority is one of the most significant events in our seven-year history. It not only displays the DOT's confidence in America West Airlines as a representative of the United States, but this award also marks a major step in our effort to become a global carrier.

America West is appreciative of the efforts of the Arizona and Nevada Parties, as well as the other officials, individuals, and civic and governmental groups

that supported our efforts to obtain the operating rights to serve Nagoya.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Imperial Bancorp (NASDAQ/NMS:IBAN), parent company of Imperial Bank, reported results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, it was announced Monday by George M. Eltinge, chairman of the board and George L. Graziadio, vice chairman and president.

Net income for the third quarter amounted to $6,808,000, or 64 cents per share an increase of 3 percent, from the $6,589,000, or 62 cents per share, earned in the same period of 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 increased 8 percent, to $19,144,000, or $1.80 per share, from $17,778,000, or $1.68 per share, earned for the first three quarters of 1989.

Credit quality remained favorable during the period with non-performing assets (loans on non-accrual, loans 90 days or more past due and other real estate owned) approximating 1.5 percent of total loans at Sept. 30, 1990.

The comparable peer group (bank holding companies with assets between $1 billion and $3 billion) non-performing asset ratio at June 30, 1990 was 3.4 percent. The company's ratio of non-performing assets reported at June 30, 1990, and Sept. 30, 1989, was 0.8 percent and 0.7 percent, respectively.

Overall, the company's loan portfolio and in particular its loans secured by quality California real estate continue to exhibit credit strength.

Along with the company's continued asset quality, shareholders' equity and reserves at Sept. 30, 1990, were at an all-time high of $203 million. The company's capital exceeds all current regulatory requirements as well as the risk-based requirements that will become fully applicable in 1992.

The company also announced that it has established an employee stock ownership plan (ESOP) that has arranged for financing for up to $5 million to purchase the company's common stock on the open market. The plan will borrow from a commercial bank other than Imperial Bank and will use contributions from the company and its subsidiaries to repay the debt over four years.

The company also has an existing Profit Sharing Plan which held 945,740 shares of the company's common stock at Oct. 15, 1990. Contributions to the Profit Sharing Plan have been $1 million so far in 1990 and were $1.4 million and $1.25 million in 1989 and 1988. All future contributions will be made to the ESOP until the loan is retired.

George M. Eltinge, chairman of the board, said that forming this ESOP reflects the company's continued commitment to providing its employees with highly competitive benefits and further enables the employees to increasingly own a significant share in the company and its future.

The board of directors approved another quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per share, to be paid to shareholders of record on Oct. 19, 1990, and payable on Nov. 9, 1990.

Imperial Bancorp, founded in 1968, is a diversified financial organization with assets over $3 billion. Imperial Bank, the company's principal subsidiary, operates 13 regional banking offices and one loan production office throughout California and offers a wide range of financial services tailored to corporate customers, entrepreneurs and professionals.

Other Imperial Bancorp and Bank activities include: Imperial Trust Co., Imperial Creditcorp, Imperial Bank Mortgage, Imperial Ventures Inc., Imperial Global Trading Co. Inc., Southern Pacific Thrift & Loan Association, MFC Financial, The Lewis Horwitz Organization, Imperial International Bank and Wm. Mason Co.

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GARDENA, Calif. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Amelco Corp. announced Monday the declaration of a dividend on its common stock of 25 cents per share to shareholders of record on Oct. 26, 1990.

The dividend is payable on Nov. 15, 1990. Amelco, with headquarters in Gardena, is an electrical and mechanical contractor which operates in the Western Continental United States, Hawaii and the Pacific Basin.

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CUPERTINO, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Tandem Computers Inc. (NYSE:TDM) announced that its NonStop Cyclone online mainframe system and its Integrity S2 fault-tolerant UNIX system have won the respected ''Good Design Award'' from the Japanese Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI).

This is the fourth consecutive year Tandem products have received the MITI award.

The NonStop Cyclone and Integrity S2 systems won in the MITI Information Equipment Category. Criteria for selection are appearance, function, quality, safety, suitability for production, and price.

In 1989, Tandem received the MITI's ''Most Outstanding Foreign Product'' award in its category for the XL80 disk storage facility. In 1988, the Tandem NonStop CLX midrange system and the V80 disk storage facility won Good Design Awards. In 1987, the Tandem NonStop VLX transaction processing mainframe won a MITI award for ''Most Outstanding Foreign Product.''

Since 1984, the MITI has annually presented the Good Design Award for Foreign Products to encourage importation. MITI's Good Design Product Selection system was established in 1957 to select products that offer originality and outstanding design. Good Design Award winning products receive the G-Mark to display as a guarantee of quality.

NonStop Cyclone, announced in October 1989, is an online mainframe that features two to 16 high-performance processors, handles mixed workloads of online transaction processing, query, and batch jobs, and is compatible with other NonStop systems.

The Integrity S2 system, announced in January 1990, is the first fault-tolerant, high-performance UNIX System V computer that is based on RISC technology.

Tandem Computers Inc. manufactures and markets computer systems and networks for online transaction processing, large database applications, and the UNIX system marketplace. Company headquarters are located at 19333 Vallco Parkway, Cupertino, Calif. 95014. Telephone number is 408/725-6000.

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MANCHESTER, CT (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - LYDALL, INC. (NYSE Symbol: LDL) Monday announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990.

The Company reported net income for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990 of $1,890,000, or $0.64 per share, compared with $1,972,000, or $0.67 per share, for the same quarter last year. Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $29,252,000 compared with $30,378,000 reported for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, LYDALL reported sales of $93,194,000 versus $98,016,000 for the same period last year. Net income for

the period was $6,415,000, or $2.16 per share, compared with $6,076,000, or $2.09 per share, in 1989.

Commenting on the results for the period, Leonard R. Jaskol, President and Chief Executive Officer of LYDALL, INC., stated, ''During the quarter, we managed to hold our own in spite of a declining economic environment. Although LYDALL's typical strong growth rates have been slowed by the sluggish economy, I believe the Company has proven its staying power by reporting third quarter earnings only slightly below last year's record.

''We continue to benefit from our stringent quality control programs and an improved product mix. Gross margins increased to 31 percent as compared to 30 percent for the comparable quarter of last year, and our year-to-date return on sales improved to 6.9 percent from 6.3 percent for the first nine months of 1989.

''Also during the quarter, we upgraded the manufacturing technology at two plants. While in the short run the extended shutdowns and other costs of installing new equipment lowered earnings for the quarter, in the long run, the faster, more energy efficient equipment will increase our manufacturing flexibility and throughput and will improve quality.

LYDALL, INC. is a manufacturer of technologically advanced fiber-based materials for demanding specialty applications.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Altera Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ALTR) announced record results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

Third-quarter sales of $20.5 million were up 31 percent over the like period last year and 6 percent over the previous quarter. Year-to-date sales were $57.1 million, an increase of 34 percent over the like period in 1989.

Net income for the third quarter was $3.4 million, up 18 percent over the like period in 1989 and 3 percent over the prior quarter. Income for the latest quarter included $200,000, or 1 cent per share, in legal, accounting and printing expenses associated with the secondary offering of Altera shares that was withdrawn in August due to unfavorable market conditions.

Year-to-date net income of $9.8 million was up 27 percent from the like period

last year. Earnings per share of 17 cents in the third quarter compared with 15 cents for the like period in 1989 and 17 cents for the previous quarter. Year-to-date earnings per share of 49 cents were up 26 percent over the first nine months of 1989.

Altera has reported increased sales in each of the last 25 quarters and record income in each of the last 15 quarters.

Operating income of $4.8 million for the September quarter increased by 35 percent over the like period in 1989 and 4 percent from the previous quarter. Year-to-date operating income of $13.6 million was up 46 percent compared with the first nine months of 1989.

Altera's balance sheet remains very solid with $21.8 million of cash and short-term investments. This is down from the $26 million reported at the end of 1989 due to Altera's purchase of a minority interest in Cypress Semiconductor (Texas) Inc. in April.

Cash and short-term investments represent 31 percent of total assets and 38 percent of equity. The company has no debt and a current ratio of 4:1.

Altera Corp., the inventor of the erasable programmable logic device (EPLD), was founded in 1983 and is a market leader in high-performance, high-density user-configurable integrated circuits and associated computer aided engineering (CAE) development tools.

User-configurable devices are standard off-the-shelf products that can be programmed on the design engineer's desk using an IBM PC-based workstation to create a custom logic function.

This approach provides fast time to market and low risk to the user by eliminating the long development lead times, high tooling costs, complex purchasing logistics and inventory burdens of custom ASIC solutions.

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MONTEREY, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Volkswriter Inc., producers of word processing software for the IBM PC, Monday introduced a new family of fully compatible word processors, Volkswriter 2, 4, and 6.

The company's unique upgrade policy offers users an easy and economical way to move from any of the packages to any other, for considerably less than the cost of a new program.

Volkswriter 2,4, and 6 share a common user interface, including identical keystroke commands. Users can ''jump'' up and down the product line without any relearning or retraining. This ensures that their changing needs are easily accommodated. Furthermore, users within the same organization who have different word processing needs can use compatible software and share files.

The new family offers innovative features including superior multilingual capabilities, Grammatik IV, and automatic recognition of file formats. In addition, Volkswriter 2, 4, and 6 are LAN installable.

Volkswriter 4 will be available in late fall of 1990, and will retail for $249. Volkswriter 2 will be available in the first quarter of 1991 and will retail for $149. Volkswriter 6 will be available second quarter 1991 and will retail for $499. Current Volkswriter customers can upgrade to the new Volkswriter 2, 4, and 6 at discounted prices.

Volkswriter products are available directly from Volkswriter, through software distributors, international distributors, and from a wide network of independent computer software dealers and retail chains in the United States.
About Volkswriter Inc.

Volkswriter Inc. produces a family of fully compatible word processing software for the IBM PC. Volkswriter products are exceptionally easy to learn and use. The unique upgrade policy offers users an economical way to ''jump'' up or down the product line as their work processing needs change.

Volkswriter offers site licenses to small businesses and corporations, as well as special discounts for academic institutions. Volkswriter Inc., will be occupying new corporate offices at One Lower Ragsdale Drive, Building 2, Suite 100, Monterey, CA 93940, as of Oct. 15, 1990. Telephone: 408/373-4718; Fax: 408/373-6360.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Digitalk Inc. Monday announced a development and license agreement with IBM for Digitalk's Smalltalk/V technology on OS/2 and other platforms.

IBM has licensed Digitalk's OS/2 implementation of Smalltalk/V, and future products for prototyping and product development. IBM and Digitalk will work together under the terms of the agreement to enhance Smalltalk/V products in

the OS/2 and Microsoft Windows environments.

''We are delighted with this IBM relationship,'' said James C. Anderson, president and a founder of Digitalk. ''IBM's use of Smalltalk/V for their own development confirms that this technology is mature enough for today's corporate developer. Working together with IBM ensures that our products will effectively integrate with evolving standards for the corporate developer of tomorrow.''

Earl F. Wheeler, IBM senior vice president and general manager, Programming Systems, sees significant benefits for IBM. ''This agreement with Digitalk allows IBM to make the benefits of object-oriented programming available to IBM developers today. Smalltalk/V provides a solid foundation for developing Common User Access (CUA)-compliant applications in Systems Application Architecture (SAA) cooperative processing environments. Our work with Digitalk is one step in IBM's commitment to using object-oriented programming in our products and platforms.''

IBM has used Smalltalk/V PM extensively, both as a prototyping tool and for ongoing development projects. Smalltalk/V PM development has provided IBM with a direct route to rapid application delivery. Rather than developing high-function prototypes and then converting them to shippable products in a different language, IBM has used Smalltalk/V PM to grow prototypes quickly into production code.

The agreement with IBM will enable Digitalk's products to evolve more rapidly, providing corporate developers with greater capabilities on both OS/2 and Windows 3.0. These enhancements include a set of visual programming tools, increased AD/Cycle integration and SAA compliance, and access to the power of Database Manager, LAN Manager and SQL Server.

Digitalk Inc., headquartered in Los Angeles, introduced object-oriented programming to IBM PCs with its Smalltalk products beginning in 1985. The company currently markets Smalltalk/V development environments worldwide for DOS, OS/2 and the Apple Macintosh, with a Windows 3.0 version planned.

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LYNNWOOD, WA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Health Incentives Inc. named Stephen C. Schwartz, 43, president and chief executive officer.

Through education and decision counseling, Health Incentives empowers employees and their families to utilize health care in a manner that reduces corporate health care cost while also expanding employee benefits.

''We're excited about Steve joining our management team. He brings strong health care industry and leadership background which will be invaluable in meeting the company's rapid growth,'' said David Feffer, chairman and co-founder of Health Incentives.

Previously, Schwartz was the president, chief executive officer and founder of American Health Ventures, a health care investment company, in Washington D.C.; and Bay Pacific Health Corp., a 125,000 member health maintenance organization in the San Francisco Bay area.

Health Incentives currently provides services in 46 states and four countries. The company is privately owned and has among its investors Cable & Howse Ventures, Interwest Partners, Mohr, Davidow Ventures, and Fluke Capital.

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MENLO PARK, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Informix Software Inc. (NASDAQ:IFMX) announced Monday that it has signed a joint marketing agreement with Windstar Corp., Toronto, developers of productivity tools for the Informix-4GL development environment.

As part of this agreement, Informix is bundling demonstration versions of WindCode and WindPaint with UNIX-based versions of its Informix-4GL application development tools and its Informix-OnLine and Informix-SE database engines.

WindCode is Windstar's menu-driven data entry code generator. WindCode generates Informix-4GL code that enables developers to quickly prototype and build production-quality database applications. WindCode includes an Informix-based information repository that helps increase productivity by enabling developers to share code descriptions.

WindPaint is Windstar's menu-driven interactive screen forms painter. WindPaint increases developer productivity by enabling them to interactively develop a WYSIWYG screen form.

Demonstration versions of WindCode and WindPaint will be bundled with

development copies of Informix products running on the UNIX-based platforms supported by Windstar.

Informix Software Inc. is a leading supplier of information management software providing solutions from the database through the desktop.

Informix products include powerful distributed database management systems, robust application development tools, and graphical- and character-based productivity software for delivering information to every significant desktop platform.

Informix is headquartered in Menlo Park, with European headquarters in London, and Asia/Pacific headquarters in Singapore.

Windstar, based in Toronto, develops UNIX-based software development tools and applications for the Informix-4GL environment. Recognizing the quality and power of the Informix environment, Windstar has invested its management skills technology and financial resources towards the development and marketing of value-added software tools, applications and services.

Windstar products are targeted at the international marketplace and focus on maximizing resources for the benefit of the business environment.

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PORTLAND, ORE. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Industrial Funding Corp. (NASDAQ:IFDCA), reported Monday net income of $1,440,000, or $.19 per share, on revenues of $13.9 million for its fiscal third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

The company's revenues were up 36% from $10.2 million a year ago. In third quarter 1989 a $1.1 million gain on an equipment sale enabled Industrial to report a profit of $1,676,000, or $.30 per share, on 25% fewer shares.

For the nine-month period ending Aug. 31, 1990, Industrial earned $2.7 million or $.37 per share, on revenues of $39.3 million compared with net earnings of $3.5 million, or $.63 per share, on revenues of $26.9 million in the like period a year ago. The 1990 results include an extraordinary $3 million expense in second quarter to increase the company's allowance for credit losses.

As previously reported, during the third quarter Industrial adopted significant changes in its methods for originating new leases. The funding of brokered leases was terminated and the direct sales force was focussed intently on the building of long-term financing relationships with equipment

suppliers. These changes resulted in a slight shortfall in new financing volume compared with the third quarter of 1989.

New lease volume was $40 million in the third quarter of 1990 vs. $43 million in the like quarter a year ago. For the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, the company arranged leases on over $140 million of capital equipment, up 21% from the financing volume of $116 million for the like period in 1989.

Speaking of Industrial's performance in the third quarter, President Joseph Costello said, ''We heavily emphasized management of our existing receivables and the preservation of quality in new leases. Our work on supplier relationships limited new financing volume in the quarter but should lead to greater volumes as well as excellent lease quality in the future.

''Our collectors' intensified efforts significantly slowed the growth in overdue receivables, but we aren't through with the hard work there. We'll continue to pay close attention to collections and will increase loss reserves further if necessary,'' Costello added.

''The impact of such an increase, if any, on fourth quarter results may be mitigated by earnings from the sale of lease receivables. We hope to complete in the fourth quarter the first of a long-contemplated program of selective lease receivables sales to institutions as part of our ongoing financing activities.''

At Aug. 31, 1990, Industrial's allowance for credit loss totaled $7.7 million or 2.1% of the net lease receivables compared with $4.7 million or 1.7% of net lease receivables at the end of third quarter 1989.

Industrial Funding is a finance company which serves the needs of creditworthy smaller companies, primarily through the leasing of productive equipment.

Industrial Funding Corp.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (unaudited)
(Dollars in Thousands, except per share data)

	Third Quarter Ended Aug. 31,		Nine Months Ended Aug. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenue	$ 13,931	$ 10,238	$ 39,343	$ 26,904
Total expenses	$ 11,729	$ 8,110	$ 35,147	$ 22,740
Income before income taxes	$ 2,202	$ 2,128	$ 4,196	$ 4,164
Total income taxes	$ 762	$ 452	$ 1,474	$ 637
Net income	$ 1,440	$ 1,676	$ 2,722	$ 3,527
Net income per share	$ .19	$ .30	$ .37	$ .63
Average shares outstanding	7,500	5,625	7,500	5,625

	Aug. 31, 1990	Nov. 31, 1989

Total Assets	$381,618	$302,585
Net investments in leases	$367,721	$311,342
Total liabilities	$318,018	$270,845
Total shareholders' equity	$ 63,600	$ 40,497
Book value per share	$ 8.48	$ 7.20

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SPARTA, N.J. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Laser Recording Systems, Inc. (''LRS'') (NASDAQ:LRSI (common stock), LRSIW (warrants) LRSIU (units); Boston Stock Exchange:LRSU) Monday announced that it has been awarded a contract with Bundesgesundheitsamt (BGA), an office of the German Government, to deliver a computer-based system for the submission of new drug applications (NDA) on optical disk.

The contract should begin contributing to revenues in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 which ends on January 31, 1991.

In the first phase of the contract, the computer-based system with optical disk will be delivered to the BGA, and the pharmaceutical sponsor companies will have the option to submit their drug registration papers to the BGA on optical disk. In the next phase of the project, the BGA is to receive the submission of full NDA documents from pharmaceutical sponsor companies on optical disk. The LRS system provides the basis for a BGA submission standard, to which all pharmaceutical companies will conform in submitting NDAs to the BGA. The optical exchange media standard, implemented by a workgroup whose members are Bayer, Boehringer Ingelheim, Hoechst, Merck and the BGA, is called DAMOS -- Drug Application Methodology with Optical Storage.

In order to implement the DAMOS system and to pursue other optical disk applications for the pharmaceutical industry in Europe, LRS is forming a joint venture with Lorenz Archiv Systeme GmbH, resulting in a new German company, Lorenz-LRS GmbH.

Carver Washburn, President of Laser Recording Systems commented, ''Our alliance with Lorenz Archiv Systeme GmbH has proven to be a significant aid in our effort to penetrate the European market. This contract with the BGA will enhance LRS' reputation as a key player in the European drug development and NDA process. We plan to continue to aggressively pursue other optical disk applications for the pharmaceutical industry in Europe and in the United

States.''

Laser Recording Systems, Inc. is the leading supplier of optical disk-based systems and solutions to the pharmaceutical industry in the United States.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Pacific Corporation (NYSE:SPC) Monday reported quarterly net income of $135.3 million for the third quarter of 1990, a decrease of 27 percent from the year-ago quarter, bringing year-to-date earnings to $518.9 million, down 5 percent from the $548.9 million earned in the year-ago nine-month period.

On a per common share basis, current quarter earnings were $1.05, a decrease of 32 percent from the $1.55 reported in the 1989 third quarter. For the first nine months of 1990, earnings per common share totaled $4.18, a decrease of 10 percent from the $4.67 per common share earned in the first nine months of 1989.

Fully taxable equivalent net interest income for the third quarter was $792.9 million, up $65.0 million, or 9 percent from the year-ago quarter. This increase reflected an 11 percent increase in earning assets, about one-third of which was related to recent acquisitions, partially offset by a decline in the net interest margin to 3.85 percent from 3.91 percent in the year-ago third quarter.

The decline in the net interest margin from the year-ago quarter was due to various factors including the impact of the year-end 1989 securitization and sale of high margin credit card loans, a higher negative impact from non-performing credits, and narrower spreads between loan yields and the cost of retail deposits. The earning asset increase reflected an 11 percent increase in domestic loans attributable to strong retail loan growth.

Residential 1-4 family loans grew 36 percent, or 12 percent excluding the impact of recent acquisitions, while other consumer loans rose 13 percent. ReadyReservAccount/ charge card loans increased 7 percent, excluding the impact of the year-end 1989 credit card securitization and sale. Business loans remained virtually unchanged, while lease financing was up 15 percent. International loans grew 14 percent from a year ago with this increase concentrated in the Asian marketplace. Lower rate other earning assets

increased 8 percent compared to the year-ago quarter, primarily in the trading account assets and federal funds sold categories.

On a year-to-date basis, net interest income totaled $2,298.2 million, an increase of 5 percent from a year ago. This increase reflected a 9 percent increase in earning assets, partially offset by a decline in the year-to-date net interest margin to 3.90 percent from 4.06 percent for the first nine months of last year.

Non-interest income for the quarter was $456.6 million, virtually unchanged from the 1989 third quarter. Benefiting non-interest income were increases in service charges on deposit accounts of $6.8 million, fiduciary and investment management fees of $6.0 million, and the all other category of $13.1 million due, in part, to increased gains from loan sales.

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GREENWICH, CT (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Stolt-Tankers and Terminals (Holdings) S.A. (NASDAQ: STLTF) will enter the North Europe and Rhine River inland tanker trade to extend the scope of its bulk liquid distribution services in Europe.

Stolt-Nielsen's inland tankers will be integrated with its ocean-going parcel tanker fleet; Matex-Stolthaven, the company's storage and distribution center in Rotterdam; and Stolt's expanding regional parcel tanker business, Stolt-Nielsen Inter Europe Service. In addition, the inland tankers will serve the European domestic market. The new trade will commence from the third quarter of 1991.

In order to offer this service to its customers in Europe, Stolt-Nielsen has ordered five 2,100 deadweight ton Type IIa all stainless steel inland tankers, three from Scheepswerf ''Grave'' B.V., of Grave, Holland, and two from Bayerische Schiffbau GmbH of Erlenbach/Main, Germany, with options for additional units.

The new inland tankers will be double hulled, with each cargo tank served by an individual deepwell pump, affording maximum safety and environmental protection. These five units will be the most sophisticated chemical inland tankers operated on the Rhine River.

Stolt Tankers and Terminals (Holdings) S.A. is an international transportation company specializing in the distribution of bulk liquids both by land and sea. The company operates worldwide with 21 offices in 12 countries. Stolt-Nielsen provides distribution services among most maritime countries

with its combination of transoceanic and coastal parcel tankers; door-to-door intermodal tank container service throughout the world, combined with tank container leasing; five regional storage and distribution centers in the United States, Northwest Europe and Brazil; as well as inland tankers, railcars and tank trucks.

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LYNNFIELD, MASS. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Boston Acoustics Inc. (NASDAQ:BOSA) Monday announced its financial results for the second quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990

Net sales for the quarter increased 20 percent, from approximately $3,580,000 to $6,675,000, while net income rose from $772,000 to $841,000, a gain of 16 percent. Earnings per share were $.41 vs. $.36 a year ago.

Year-to-date net sales increased 23 percent from $10,710,000 to $13,158,000 while net income increased from $1,314,000 to $1,608,000. Earnings per share increased from $.65 to $.79, a gain of 22 percent. T

	Three Months Ended	
	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 23, 1989
Net Sales	$6,675,410	$5,579,648
Net Income	$ 840,685	$ 722,276
Earnings Per Share	$.41	$.36
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	2,045,053	2,023,452

	Six Months Ended	
	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 23, 1989
Net Sales	$13,158,352	$10,709,889
Net Income	$ 1,608,495	$ 1,314,084
Earnings Per Share	$.79	$.65
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	2,043,884	2,018,965

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ARMONK, NY (OCTOBER 15) - IBM Monday announced worldwide financial results for the third quarter and nine months of 1990. Revenue and earnings increased over the same periods of 1989. ''Despite weakening economies in the U.S. and other parts of the world and a major product transition, we continue to make progress on the course we have set for the business,'' said IBM Chairman John F. Akers. ''We are encouraged by customer response to our recent System/390 announcement and the profit improvements we are realizing from our ongoing restructuring activities. Our portfolio of products and services, which is the strongest in our history, and our geographic diversity are serving us well. Assuming no further deterioration in the world's economies, we continue to expect substantially improved financial performance for 1990.''

For the quarter ended September 30, 1990, worldwide revenue was $15.3 billion, up 6.8 percent from the prior year's $14.3 billion. Earnings-per-share were $1.95 in 1990, compared with $1.51 in 1989, a 29.1 percent increase. Worldwide net earnings for the three months were $1.1 billion in 1990, compared with $.9 billion in 1989. The after-tax margin was 7.3 percent, compared with 6.1 percent in 1989. The average number of shares outstanding for the period was 571.9 million in 1990 and 578.8 million in 1989.

Worldwide revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 1990, was $46.0 billion, up 8.8 percent from the prior year's $42.2 billion. Worldwide net earnings for the nine months were $3.6 billion or $6.21 per share, compared with $3.2 billion or $5.43 per share in 1989. The after-tax margin was 7.7 percent for the first nine months of 1990, compared with 7.5 percent for the same period in 1989. The average number of shares outstanding for the period was 573.2 million in 1990 and 582.8 million in 1989.

''Our progress in 1990 strengthens our conviction that IBM has the right strategy for both the short and long term,'' Mr. Akers said. ''We are working to provide our customers with the best solutions to their business problems, we are continually improving the competitiveness of our product line as well as the speed at which those offerings get to market, and we are making ourselves more efficient.''

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CUPERTINO, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Motorola Commercial Systems Division (CSD) announced that its 50-megahertz Delta Series multiuser systems have been selected by the New York City Human Resources Administration (HRA) as the basis for a new office automation network.

The decision comes after a year-long review that involved 15 computer vendors and four finalists.

Motorola has begun delivery of 51 Delta Series Model 3640 systems, which are the basis of the $4.5 million contract that includes peripherals, software and training. The HRA selected Motorola after a request-for-proposal (RFP) process that evaluated proposals on price, performance, adherence to open standards and ability to port current data to the UNIX operating system.

System installation is expected to last 10 months. In addition to the 51 Delta Series Model 3640 computers, Motorola will provide more than 1,000 peripherals, including more than 670 ASCII terminals and a variety of printers and other hardware. Motorola is providing networking software to connect approximately 500 of the agency's personal computers with the Delta Model 3640 system. Office automation, word processing, database and spreadsheet software are also provided by Motorola.

In addition, the contract calls for an 18-month training program for more than 2,000 employees.

The new computer system is expected to improve data and communications flow among the agency's employees. More than 1,500 users located in 12 buildings will use the computers. The system expands computing access from support staff to managers and analysts.

Motorola is one of the world's leading providers of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets. Products include two-way radios, pagers, cellular telephone systems, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronics equipment, computers, data communications and information processing and handling equipment.

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ELLICOTT CITY, MD (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - LANworks Inc. Monday announced that it had succeeded in obtaining a preliminary injunction against the use of its corporate name by Digital Equipment Corp., which had been using the name

LanWORKS for a new line of hardware and software products.

The injunction, granted by the U.S. District Court of Maryland, prevents Digital from using the LanWORKS name in the area served by LANworks Inc.: Maryland, the District of Columbia, and Northern Virginia.

''We are delighted with the court's decision,'' said LANworks President Sandra Stecker. ''For more than four years, we've worked hard to earn a reputation and make a name for ourselves in the networking business. Losing the distinctiveness of our company name would have hurt us immeasurably.''

LANworks Inc. first learned that Digital was planning to market hardware and software under the name LanWORKS in May of this year. Over the following two months, the Maryland firm sent two letters notifying Digital of LANworks' current use of that name. When Digital was unresponsive, LANworks sought the injunction. It was granted on Sept. 21.

Based in Ellicott City, LANworks Inc. provides consultation, hardware and software sales, installation, training and ongoing support for organizations interested in personal computer connectivity. The company has been using the LANworks name since in went into business in 1986.

For more information on LANworks Inc., contact Robert Delp, vice president, 9025 Chevrolet Dr., Suite E, Ellicott City, Md., 21043; or call 301/750-0700.

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OXNARD, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Personal computer users who prepare their own tax returns and use Microsoft Windows 3.0 can take advantage of several new features this year in the 1990 edition of MacInTax for Windows, Softview's DOS version of its award-winnning MacInTax tax preparation software.

MaxInTax for Windows includes a new ''Forms Guide'' feature, new forms and schedules, and performance enhancements to some of the more complex IRS forms and worksheets. Softview also announced six additions to its family of state tax supplements: Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Oregon, Pennsylvania and Washington D.C.

The 1040 edition of MacInTax for Windows, the only Windows-based tax product available, offers IBM and compatible PC users the same easy-to-use point-and-click features of its popular Macintosh counterpart.

It features dozens of IRS forms and schedules, as well as specially designed statements and worksheets, all of which are linked together so that whenever

data is changed, recalculations are performed automatically in all relevant areas.

For ready access to the complete IRS instruction booklet, users simply double-click on any line item. And, unlike any other tax preparation software MacInTax displays and prints exact replicas of IRS forms, complete with data, on ordinary blank paper, using either a laser or dot-matrix printer, without additional font cartridges or software.

MacInTax includes Form 1040 and the 1040A short form, as well as several forms not included in some tax software programs, such as 1040EZ (single filers), 1040X (amended return), 1040ES (quarterly estimated tax payments), 4868 (extension of time to file), and the forms users need to file their returns electronically.

Schedules 2 and 3 are included for taxpayers eligible this year to file Form 1040A. Users of Form 8582 (passive activity loss) will benefit from Softview's design enhancements to this program, which provide faster processing.

Other MacInTax features include an exclusive itemization function. Any line item can be itemized to any desired level of detail, and all itemizations are linked, providing an audit trail for record keeping and tax planning.

Softview Inc., headquartered in Oxnard, is a leading developer of forms-based software for Apple Macintosh and IBM PC and compatible computers.

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TAIPEI, Taiwan (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Taiwan Telecommunications has won a contract for $67 million to supply more than 230,000 lines of digital switching to the Southern Taiwan Telecommunications Administration.

The new lines will provide growth for existing 5ESSR digital switches in the operating territory of STTA.

AT&T Taiwan Telecommunications is a joint venture company between AT&T Network Systems and three Taiwan partners. The company was established in 1984, and today employs 1,400 workers at its manufacturing facility about an hour south of Taipei. AT&T owns 70 percent of the venture.

This is the second major award for AT&T Taiwan Telecommunications this year. In March, the company won a contract from Taiwan's Directorate General of Telecommunications to supply and install almost 600,000 lines of digital switching. Value of that contract was $170 million.

More than 350 switching modules under this previous contract are being made at AT&T's Oklahoma City Works.

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EL PASO, TX (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Texscan Corp. (NASDAQ:TXCN), announced Friday that it has completed a refinancing of its long-term debt that provides for $16.9 million in unsecured nine-year notes at a fixed interest rate of 11.27 percent, with principal repayments beginning in October 1993.

The refinancing replaces $13 million in varying rate senior debt and $3.6 million of subordinated debt at a 15 percent interest rate. The subordinated debt interest payments were paid in company stock as ''payment-in-kind,'' and the new financing eliminates this dilutive impact.

A group of institutional investors led by insurance companies affiliated with CIGNA Corp. have provided funding for the refinancing.

''The refinancing of our debt is an important component of our strategic growth,'' said Harold C. Tamburro, vice president and chief financial officer. ''It will allow us to invest cash generated from operations into areas with significant potential and this unsecured loan eliminates many previous restrictions on our cash balances.''

At July 31, Texscan had a cash balance position in excess of $9 million and a current ratio of approximately 3.4x.

Headquartered in El Paso, Texscan Corp. (NASDAQ:TXCN) is a leading designer and manufacturer of a broad line of distribution and commercial insertion products for the cable television industry, and a large scale fiber optic systems integrator.

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OXNARD, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Softview Inc., a leading developer of forms-based tax preparation software for personal computers, Monday announced that its Taxview Professional Series has been upgraded to work under Microsoft Windows 3.0.

Other changes this year include a full-featured Client Organizer, Client Write-Up, several new federal forms, six additional state supplements, and new and enhanced products for California tax professionals.

A Client Organizer module -- new for 1990 and available free with Taxview 1040 -- helps clients gather and summarize current tax information. It interfaces with 1989 and 1990 Taxview 1040 data files so that client records can be updated quickly and easily.

Because Taxview products utilize Softview's proprietary forms-based technology they offer several unique features and benefits. Exact replicas of IRS forms and schedules are displayed on-screen and can be printed on blank paper using a laser or dot matrix printer, without the need for forms software or tax fonts.

Data is entered directly into displayed forms that are linked together, so that whenever new data is entered, recalculations are performed automatically on all relevant documents.

Specially designed statements and worksheets allow users to accumulate backup data on key line-items and minimize the risk of error. Line entries on any form or schedule can also be broken out in a series of unlimited ''itemization windows'' -- an exclusive Taxview feature. The program also checks all input to prevent inconsistent and incomplete entries.

Softview Inc., with headquarters in Oxnard, is a leading developer of forms-based software for Apple Macintosh and IBM PC and compatible computers. Softview products are distinguished by the company's proprietary if:X intelligent forms technologies, which greatly facilitate the creation and printing of forms on screen and on paper.

Softview began marketing tax products in 1985. They include MacInTax and MacInTax for Windows, for individuals who prepare their own tax returns, and Taxview, for tax professionals.

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WOODLAND HILLS, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Amwest Insurance Group Inc. (AMEX, PSE:AMW) Monday reported results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Written premiums were $15,091,000 as compared to $13,026,000 for 1989. Premiums earned, net were $12,064,000 as compared to $9,675,000 for 1989.

Net income was $1,755,000, 74 cents per share, as compared to $729,000, 30 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989. Weighted average shares outstanding were 2,387,000 as compared to 2,459,000 for 1989.

The company also reported results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Written premiums were $42,185,000 as compared to $34,562,000 for 1989. Premiums earned, net were $34,502,000 as compared to $26,766,000 for 1989. Net income was $3,413,000, $1.44 per share, as compared to $2,310,000, 93 cents per share, for 1989.

Weighted average shares outstanding were 2,384,000 as compared to 2,497,000 for 1989.

As previously announced, due to the enactment of California A.B. 3798, during the third quarter of 1990 the company terminated a previously established reserve of $1,423,000 for potential premium rebates under Proposition 103.

The company's termination of the reserve caused a one time increase of $838,000 in written premiums, $621,000 in premiums earned, net and $797,000, 34 cents per share, in net income. These increased amounts are included in the reported results for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Excluding the termination of the reserve for potential rebates under Proposition 103, written premiums for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30 1990 would have been $14,253,000 and $41,347,000, respectively.

Premiums earned, net would have been $11,443,000 and $33,881,000, respectively. Net income would have been $958,000, 40 cents per share, and $2,616,000, $1.10 per share, respectively.

Amwest is a Woodland Hills based insurance holding company, specializing in surety bonds, including contract performance, court, contractors license and sales tax bonds.

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DALLAS (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Cybertek Corp. (NASDAQ:CKCP) Monday reported an increase in net income for the second quarter ended Sept. 30.

Net income was $834,000, or 22 cents per share, as compared to $369,000 or 10 cents per share for the prior year.

For the first half of the current fiscal year, Cybertek reported a net income of $1,556,000 or 41 cents per share on revenues of $14.1 million. The company reported net income of $681,000 or 18 cents per share on revenues of $11.5 million for the first half of last fiscal year.

Vaughn W. Morgan, president and chief executive officer, said that the continuing strong performance of all business areas contributed to the revenue growth which made for a very solid quarter. In addition to the increased revenues the company also continues to benefit from a very strong cash position.

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OXNARD, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Softview Inc., a leading developer of forms-based software for personal computers, Monday announced the 1990 edition of MacInTax, the No. 1-selling tax-preparation software program among Macintosh users.

MacInTax offers several new features this year, including a question-and-answer interview that leads users to the forms they need and performance enhancements to some of the more complex Internal Revenue Service forms and worksheets. Softview also announced six additions to its family of state tax supplements -- Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Oregon, Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C.

The 1040 edition of MacInTax features dozens of IRS forms and schedules, as well as specially designed statements and worksheets, all of which are linked together so that whenever data is changed, recalculations are performed automatically in all relevant areas.

For ready access to the complete IRS instruction booklet, users simply double-click on any line item. And, unlike any other tax-preparation software MacInTax displays and prints exact replicas of IRS forms, complete with data, on ordinary blank paper, using either a laser or dot-matrix printer, without special font cartridges or software.

The new Forms Guide feature, a simple question-and-answer interview, asks ''plain English'' questions to help preselect and link users to the forms they need.

MacInTax includes Form 1040 and the 1040A short form, as well as several forms not included in some tax software programs, such as 1040EZ (single filers), 1040X (amended return), 1040ES (quarterly estimated tax payments), 4868 (extension of time to file) and the forms users need to file their returns electronically.

Schedules 2 and 3 are included for taxpayers eligible this year to file Form 1040A. Users of Form 8582 (passive activity loss) will benefit from Softview's design enhancements to this program, which provide faster processing.

Softview, with headquarters in Oxnard, is a leading developer of forms-based software for Apple Macintosh and IBM PC and compatible computers.

The company began marketing tax-preparation products in 1985. They include MacInTax and MacInTax for Windows, for individuals who prepare their own tax returns, and Taxview, for professional tax preparers. More than 750,000 tax returns have been generated using Softview software.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Faced with an unexpectedly early closure of the Eastern Bering Sea pollock fishery, the United States Surimi Commission recently identified a number of factors which threaten to limit surimi production by U.S. surimi producers over the next six to eight months.

''Almost overnight we have gone from a situation of having more surimi than we know what to do with, to a situation of not knowing if we can meet all our foreign customers' demands,'' said Assen Nicolov, president of the United States Surimi Commission, a recently formed Export Trading Company comprised of U.S. at-sea surimi producers. The factors affecting surimi availability include:

1. Earlier than Anticipated Attainment of the Eastern Bering Sea Pollock Quota. The rapid expansion of the U.S. pollock fleet in the past two years resulted in higher than expected pollock harvest rates during the 1990

fishery. Although the quota of 1.3 million tons was initially expected to support the Eastern Bering Sea pollock fishery for the entire year, recent projections by the National Marine Fisheries Service indicate the quota will be exhausted on Oct. 13. Unless reserves and/or unutilized quota from other species can be transferred to the pollock quota on a timely basis, which appears doubtful, the 1990 Eastern Bering Sea pollock fishery is about to end for the year. While some 76,000 mt. of pollock quota remain available in the Aleutian Islands, catch rates have been unpredictable in that region and only limited production can be anticipated.

2. Declining Catch Rates in the Donut Hole. Prospects of supplementing production from U.S. waters through operations in the international waters of the Bering Sea (the ''Donut Hole'') may be dimming. Although U.S. experience in the area is limited, catch rates reported by foreign vessels operating in that area have been declining. Donut Hole production has been expected to decline as the exceptionally large 1978 and 1979 pollock year classes which have supported that fishery begin to die off.

3. Limited Availability of Quota During the First Half of 1991. Under a newly implemented pollock management system, the North Pacific Fishery Management Council plans to split the Bering Sea pollock fishery into two seasons in 1991. The first season will begin on Jan. 1 and last until April 15, or until the quota assigned to that season is exhausted, whichever happens first; the second season will begin on June 1 and last until Dec. 31. The annual quota for pollock will be divided between the two seasons at the North Pacific Fishery Management Council's meeting in December. Preliminary indications are that the quota for the first season will be inadequate to support the fishery through April 15.

4. Increased Demand for Other Product Forms in Europe and Other World Markets. Softening prices for surimi in Japan have caused some U.S. producers to switch from surimi production to fillets and blocks in order to take advantage of recent price increases for those products in Europe and other world markets.

Although current surimi inventories are at levels which would normally be considered healthy for this time of the year, the commission is concerned because surimi demand tends to be highest during the winter months in Japan -- especially during the year-end holiday season. Given the unanticipated shortage in production during the remainder of 1990 and the first part of 1991 the commission hopes that inventory levels will be sufficient to meet the seasonal needs of the Japanese market.

Faced with these uncertainties, the United States Surimi Commission will review quota availability and other factors affecting surimi production immediately following the December meeting of the North Pacific Fishery Management Council. At that time, the commission should be in a better position to evaulate 1991 pollock quotas, seasonal apportionments and other

factors affecting 1991 operations and production.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - I.C.H. Corp. (ASE:ICH), an insurance holding company located in Louisville, announced that its board of directors declared the payment of a regular quarterly cash dividend in the amount of $.4375 per share on each of its issued and outstanding shares of $1.75 Convertible Exchangeable Preferred Stock, Series 1986-A.

The dividend is payable Dec. 3, 1990, to record holders at the close of business on Nov. 15, 1990.

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BINGHAMTON, NY (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - BSB Bancorp Inc. (NASD: BSBN), holding company for Binghamton Savings Bank, announced that net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $2,136,000, or 68 cents per share, compared to net income of $2,084,000, or 67 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 totalled $6,280,000, or $2.01 per share, compared to net income of $6,631,000, or $2.12 per share, for the first nine months of 1989. Loan recoveries related to settlements of the 1986 Boardwalk Marketplace litigation increased income for the first nine months of 1990 by $272,000 (after tax), or 9 cents per share.

Similar recoveries occurring in the first nine months of 1989 increased income by $707,000 (after tax), or 23 cents per share.

Shareholders' equity increased to $81,004,000, or 8.76 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $78,585,000, or 8.71 percent of total assets, at Sept. 30, 1989. Total assets increased from $902,693,000 at Sept. 30, 1989 to $925,113,000 at Sept. 30, 1990. Book value per share increased to $27.18 at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $25.12 at Sept. 30, 1989.

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SAN RAMON, CALIF.- (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Siemens Ultrasound Inc. and Interspec Inc. Monday announced the signing of a research and development agreement for specialized medical diagnostic ultrasound, and a distribution agreement for these products.

Under terms of the agreements, Interspec will develop medical ultrasound systems for radiology and anesthesiology applications. Interspec will also develop ultrasound technology to be incorporated into Siemens therapeutic lithotripsy systems. The research and development will be jointly funded by Siemens and Interspec.

The agreements are subject to approval by the Boards of Directors of Siemens Ultrasound Inc., San Ramon, and Interspec Inc., Ambler, Pa. (NASDAQ:ISPC), later this month.

Ultrasound systems developed under this agreement will be manufactured by Interspec and sold by the Siemens organization. Interspec will be responsible for marketing its radiology systems in the U.S.

Klaus Hambuechen, president and CEO of Siemens Ultrasound Inc., and Edward Ray chairman and CEO of Interspec Inc. said the agreements will allow Siemens and Interspec to bring innovative new products to market.

According to Hambuechen, these agreements will allow Siemens to further its goal to become the worldwide leader in ultrasound.

''This is a logical next step in completing our ultrasound product portfolio to address the entire ultrasound market with advanced, cost effective products '' he said.

Ray noted that the agreements permit Interspec, a leader in the echocardiology field, to expand its technology into new markets while continuing to focus on its core business, the private practice and hospital cardiovascular markets.

Siemens Ultrasound Inc. is affiliated with Siemens Medical Corp., a leading U.S. developer and manufacturer of medical electronic diagnostic imaging, patient monitoring, and therapeutic systems and products.

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CHARLESTON, WV (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of City Holding Co. (NASDAQ: CHCO), a five bank holding company headquartered in Charleston, has announced its third quarter earnings for 1990 of $718,000 compared to $699,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

This represents an increase of $19,000, or over 2.7 percent.

City Holding Co. President Steven J. Day said earnings per share increased from 35 cents to 36 cents for the third quarter of 1990 compared to the third quarter of 1989. This represents a record quarter for the company.

Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $2,124,000, or $1.07 per share which represents a 13.8 percent increase over the first nine months of 1989. Earnings in the first nine months of 1989 were $1,865,000, or 94 cents per share.

City Holding Co. common stock is publicly traded ''Over-The-Counter'' on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CHCO.

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KNOXVILLE, TENN. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Clayton Homes Inc. (NYSE:CMH) net income for the first quarter rose 31 percent to $5.5 million.

Earnings per share (fully diluted) for the quarter increased 30 percent to 30 cents from 23 cents a year earlier.

Total revenues were up 22 percent to $77 million from $63 million. The improvement was led by a 26 percent increase in sales in the Retail Division.

Homes sold increased 12 percent to 3,407 from 3,050 in the prior year. Industry shipments were up 2 percent in July and August -- the first positive monthly comparisons since January 1989.

Clayton Homes
Financial Highlights
(000's except per share data)

	Quarter Ended		
	9/30/90	9/30/89	Percent Change
Revenue	$76,631	$62,980	22
Earnings before tax	8,805	6,715	31

Net income	5,505	4,215	31
Earnings per share -			
Primary	34 cents	26 cents	31
Diluted	30 cents	23 cents	30
Shares outstanding -			
Primary	16,271	16,088	1
Diluted	20,331	20,148	1

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CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Comdial Corp. (NASDAQ:CMDL), a leading designer and manufacturer of advanced communications products for the business and hotel/motel markets, Monday reported its third quarter 1990 financial results.

Net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $111,000 on sales of $20,739,000. Both figures were basically unchanged from the same period last year, when Comdial earned $142,000 on sales of $20,914,000.

Earnings per share remained at 1 cent. For the first nine months of 1990, Comdial sales were $62,812,000; a three percent improvement over the first nine months of 1989. Year to date Comdial has earned $412,000. This compares favorably with a loss of $2,279,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

Comdial President and Chief Executive Officer, William G. Mustain, expressed satisfaction that third quarter sales remained essentially stable in view of the current small business climate. He explained that ''the weakening economy is effecting telephone system sales throughout our industry.''

In looking forward to the fourth quarter, Mustain expressed concern, commenting that, ''Small businessmen are taking an increasingly cautious attitude toward investing in new telephone systems. We are, therefore, focusing all our resources on maintaining, or improving our sales in order to sustain profitability.'' T -0-

Comdial Corp.
Financial Highlights
(In thousands except per share amounts)

	Third Quarter Ended Sept.		First Nine Months Ended Sept.	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$20,739	$20,914	$62,812	$61,010
Net income (Loss)	$ 111	$ 142	$ 412	$(2,279)
Net income (loss) per				

share $ .01 $ .01 $ .02 $ (.13)

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - ERLY Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:ERLY) paid principal and interest of $1.4 million on its 12.5 percent Subordinated Sinking Fund Debentures on Oct. 5, consistent with the schedule provided in the Indenture Agreement.

ERLY Industries is engaged primarily in the food processing business with rice and juice its principal food product lines.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - J.P. Morgan & Co. Incorporated Monday reported that its net income in the 1990 third quarter was $208 million, compared with a loss of $1.815 billion in the same 1989 quarter, when the company made a $2 billion addition to its reserves for LDC loans.

In the nine months ended September 30, 1990, net income was $814 million, including $230 million in the first quarter from a change in the accounting for trading swaps. In the first nine months of 1989 the company reported a loss of $1.429 billion.

Dennis Weatherstone, chairman, said: ''We are pleased with the improvement of pretax earnings in the quarter, which rose to $300 million from $172 million. Trading results were excellent, net interest revenue was stronger, and revenue from investment management and operational services continued to grow.''

Among financial developments in the quarter, compared with the same 1989 quarter, were the following: o Trading results of $300 million increased by $188 million, paced by foreign exchange and swaps trading, but with gains also in the trading of U.S. and foreign government and corporate securities, interest rate derivatives, and commodities. o Net interest revenue rose 24% to $314 million, because of improvement in net yield and a higher volume of interest-earning assets. o Trust and agency revenue continued to rise, amounting to $125 million, up 9%, as custody services and investment management showed improved results. o Corporate finance fees of $58 million were 22% lower than in last year's quarter. o The 8% increase in expenses reflected the accrual of employee benefits and severance costs and the effect

of the weakness of the U.S. dollar on expenses abroad, as well as occupancy of the firm's new headquarters. o Income tax expense of $82 million contrasted with a benefit of $13 million in the year-ago quarter.

Also notable in comparing net income between the 1990 and 1989 quarters was the provision for credit losses of $10 million, which contrasted with a provision of $2 billion (related to restructuring countries) in the 1989 quarter.

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PASADENA, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Countrywide Servicing Exchange (CSE) announced Monday that it has signed an exclusive agreement with the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC) to sell Oklahoma-based Maxim Mortgage Corp.

Maxim is a fully operational mortgage banking company which services a portfolio of approximately $1 billion of residential mortgage loans.

''Maxim Mortgage is an efficient loan servicer with experienced management and staff,'' said David Sambol, president of CSE. ''We believe Maxim represents an attractive opportunity for new investors to enter the mortgage banking business or for existing mortgage companies to expand and diversify their base of operations.''

In addition to its servicing operation, Maxim operates retail origination offices in Oklahoma and has all agency approvals.

Interested investors should call either Sambol, Ray Dinius or Jeff Canja at 800/669-6684 for more information.

Countrywide Servicing Exchange is a national servicing brokerage and consulting firm. It is a subsidiary of publicly-held Countrywide Credit Industries Inc. (NYSE:CCR), a diversified financial services institution.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlanta-based Equifax Inc. (NYSE:EFX) reported Monday that net income for the third quarter increased 14 percent over the third quarter of 1989.

Revenue for the international business information firm rose 7 percent.

Net income for the period was $12,247,000, or 25 cents per share, compared with $10,787,000 (22 cents per share). Operating revenue was $227,202,000, compared with $211,563,000.

For the nine months ending Sept. 30, net income increased 14 percent, from $31,249,000 (64 cents per share) to $35,710,000 (73 cents per share). Operating revenue was $678,771,000, compared with $619,150,000, an increase of 10 percent.

The increase in earnings, to a great extent, resulted from the continuing shift in the revenue stream toward Equifax's higher margin automated products.

Concurrent with release of the third quarter earnings, Equifax announced the establishment of a $450 million, five-year, committed, revolving credit facility which will also support the company's entry into the commercial paper market planned for later this year.

This agreement is designed to meet Equifax's credit needs while permitting greater access to the capital markets. Although Equifax does not anticipate in the foreseeable future the exercise of the CSC put of its credit reporting and collection business, the credit facility will accommodate this transaction should it occur within the next five years.

The financing is being provided by Equifax's bank group which includes its co-agent banks, The First National Bank of Atlanta and Bank of America. Other members of the bank group include Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Citizens & Southern National Bank, First National Bank of Chicago, and Trust Company Bank.

Equifax Inc., based in Atlanta, is the leading provider of information services to facilitate consumer financial transactions throughout North America.

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NATICK, MA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Prime Computer Inc. Monday announced the appointment of David R. Fernald as vice president, marketing for its Computer

Systems Business Unit.

Fernald, who reports to Richard B. Snyder, president and general manager of the unit, replaces Barry Bycoff, who has left Prime to pursue other interests.

Fernald is responsible for administering all of the Prime Computer Systems Business Unit's marketing activities, including strategy, research, product and program promotions, communications, and sales support. Last year, Prime Computer Systems Business Unit accounted for approximately $420,000,000 in product revenue.

Making the announcement, Snyder said, ''Prime is fortunate to have attracted such a talented and accomplished professional as Fernald. He brings a wealth of experience building successful organizations within the marketplaces upon which Prime will focus.''

Most recently, Fernald has served as distribution vice president for American Telephone and Telegraph Co., where he was responsible for sales support and sales programs for AT&T's Business and Federal Systems Divisions.

Fernald also was president and chief executive officer of Oriole Systems Inc., of Baltimore, Md., president and chief executive officer of BPI Systems Inc., of Austin, Texas, senior vice president, marketing for Datapoint Corp. of San Antonio, Texas, and director of Commerical Marketing for Digital Equipment Corp. of Maynard, Mass. He also has held sales and marketing positions for IBM, Pfizer, and Southern New England Telephone Co,

Fernald holds a bachelor's degree from Bowdoin College and a masters of business administration degree from Stanford University.

The Prime Computer Systems Business Unit is a worldwide supplier of integrated commercial computer systems and the leading supplier in the PICK data management marketplace with its Prime INFORMATION and UNIX-based Prime INFORMATION PLUS software environments.

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - IG Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ:IGLI) Monday announced that it has raised $3,000,000 through the sale of approximately 573,000 shares of unregistered common stock priced at $5.23 per share to Genzyme Corp. (NASDAQ:GENZ).

This transaction will assist IG Laboratories in funding its capital needs for future acquisitions and expansion plans during the next few years.

The share price reflects a 10 percent premium over the Thursday, Oct. 11, closing price of IG Laboratories shares. This transaction increases Genzyme's majority ownership of IG Laboratories from approximately 54 percent to 57 percent.

IG Laboratories Inc., headquartered in Framingham, Mass., provides genetic testing services to physicians, hospitals, clinical laboratories, genetic centers, and health maintenance organizations located throughout the United States. The company is focused on prenatal genetic testing which enables physicians to screen for and detect major genetic abnormalities.

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ARNHEM, NETHERLANDS (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Akzo, the Netherlands-based global chemical company and Hercules Inc., Wilmington, Del., Monday approved plans for a new joint venture that will produce metal alkyls in Cologne, Germany.

The new facility represents a multimillion dollar investment and will be built on Akzo's existing site in Cologne. It will operate under the name Texas Alkyls Europe.

Construction is expected to start in early 1991 with completion by the end of 1992. The plant will be based on technology from Texas Alkyls Inc., Deer Park, Texas, a joint venture of Akzo and Hercules.

Engineering will be by Akzo Engineering and it will be run by Akzo employees. A variety of specialty chemicals, including carbon disulfide and rubber chemicals are produced at the Akzo plant in Cologne.

Metal alkyls are primarily used as cocatalysts in the production of an array of polyolefins used in a wide variety of products that range from packaging to automotive parts. Akzo markets metal alkyls on a global basis and is an important supplier to the merchant market.

The Texas Alkyls joint venture operates plants in Deer Park and Paulinia, Brazil. It has operated a blending and distribution facility in Seneffe, Belgium, since 1978.

The addition of a European manufacturing plant strengthens the companies' global position and provides a further commitment to improved levels of service and total quality for customers.

Based in Arnhem, the Netherlands, Akzo's ADRs (American Depositary Receipts) are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol AKZOY.

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LAGRANGE, GA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Monday First Federal Savings Bank of LaGrange (NASDAQ:FLAG) announced earnings for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

First Federal experienced a net loss for the third quarter of 1990 of $127,762 or (16 cents) per share, as compared to a net income of $241,518, or 30 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 was $491,758, or 61 cents per share, as compared to $957,115, or $1.16 per share, for the first nine months of 1989.

Earnings for the quarter and nine months ended 1989 exceeded earnings for the same periods ended 1990 primarily due to management's decision to boost loan loss reserves in the third quarter of 1990 to a more conservative level. Provisions for losses for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $577,665 and $727,665, as compared to $135,000 and $194,500 for the same periods in 1989.

Management is confident that the reserve levels are now fully adequate to provide for potential losses which may occur if a prolonged recession should arise without the need to increase monthly loss provisions.

First Federal Savings Bank of LaGrange currently has 805,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

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SYRACUSE, N.Y. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - ONBANCorp Inc. (NASDAQ:ONBK) Monday reported record quarterly net income of $3.9 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, up 40 percent over the third quarter 1989 earnings of $2.8 million.

Year-to-date earnings of $11.0 million for the first nine months were up 37

percent vs. $8.1 million for the nine months of last year, and also exceeded the entire prior year 1989 earnings of $10.96 million. Earnings per common share were 51 cents for the third quarter and $1.46 for the first nine months of 1990 compared with 46 cents and $1.32 per common share for the respective prior year periods.

Robert J. Bennett, chairman, president and chief executive officer attributed the earnings increase to improving fundamentals. He cited ''close attention to loan quality, operating expense control and vigilant management of the balance between interest sensitive assets and liabilities'' as the key fundamentals which helped earnings.

For the third quarter of 1990 compared to the same quarter last year ONBANCorp net interest income increased by $1.9 million, non-interest income decreased by $.5 million as a result of reduced gains on the sale of loans and securities, and quarterly direct operating expense decreased by $.2 million despite an increase of $.1 million in FDIC insurance.

Return on average equity (ROE) increased to 12.7 percent for the 1990 third quarter compared to 11.5 percent in the same period last year, and the return on average assets (ROA) improved to .81 percent from .73 percent.

For the first nine months of 1990 ONBANCorp net interest income increased $4.1 million and non-interest income and service fees increased $1.6 million. Year-to-date direct expenses increased by less than one-half of one percent or $68 thousand despite an increase of $.3 million in FDIC insurance. At Sept. 30 ONBANCorp assets were $1.9 billion, deposits were $1.2 billion and primary capital, including the allowance for loan losses, was $127 million for primary capital ratio
of 6.5 percent of assets.

ONBANCorp is the only Syracuse headquartered banking company with assets exceeding $1 billion. OnBank, its wholly owned subsidiary, operates from 26 locations in upsate New York, including seven specialized lending offices, in the regional communities of Syracuse, Auburn, Rome, Utica, Rochester, Poughkeepsie, Rockland, Binghamton, Buffalo and Albany, and has insurance and investment operations.

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PEABODY, MA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - PictureTel Corp. Monday announced an agreement between Adcom Electronics Ltd., its sole distributor in Canada, and Bell Canada, under which Bell Canada will sell, install and service PictureTel

videoconferencing systems.

Under the three-year agreement, effective immediately, Bell Canada will offer PictureTel equipment to corporate customers in Ontario, Quebec and the Northwest Territories. The products will be sold in conjunction with network services from Telecom Canada, an association of major Canadian telecommunications companies, including Bell Canada.

Bell Canada will market PictureTel's full range of videoconferencing equipment including codecs, remote control cameras, color monitors, audio systems and network interfaces.

PictureTel codecs employ hierarchical vector quantization (HVQ) image compression technology that enables users to videoconference over dial-up digital or private networks with the ease and low cost associated with making a telephone call. SG3, its third generation video and audio compression algorithm provides the world's best video and audio quality at data rates from 56 to 384 kilobits per second. The PictureTel systems will support the impending international video compression standard Px64 (H.261), with convenient field-upgradeable software cartridges.

Adcom Electronics, the largest integrator of videoconferencing systems in Canada, has provided solutions to customers for a decade. Based in Toronto, with offices in Ottawa, Montreal and Vancouver, Adcom is backed by experienced development, engineering, installation and service groups and is well positioned to provide turnkey videoconferencing solutions.

Bell Canada, the largest Canadian telecommunications operating company, markets a full range of state-of-the-art products and services to more than 6.5 million business and residences customers in Ontario, Quebec and parts of the Northwest Territories. Based in Montreal, Bell Canada is a member of Telecom Canada, an association of Canada's major telecommunications companies.

PictureTel Corp. (NASDAQ:PCTL), headquartered in Peabody, Mass. develops, manufactures and markets software-upgradeable visual telecommunications products for use with public of private digital networks. PictureTel videoconferencing sytems make possible two-way video calls with convenience, economy and full-motion video quality.

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LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - EMC Corp. Monday announced the availability of its ORION Series Solid State Disk Subsystems for Unisys

1100 and 2200 mainframe computer systems.

The ORION Series subsystems are faster, more compact, more reliable and offer higher capacities than previous solid state disk products available for Unisys systems. The ORION Series marks the 5th generation of solid state technology through the utilization of 4 megabit DRAM chips. EMC has successfully marketed this product to IBM mainframe and PCM systems since 1987 and has over 500 units installed.

Many configurations of the ORION Series are available. An ORION with a minimum configuration of 16 megabytes (MB) is $34,000. This includes cabinet Battery Back-up Unit and two storage control units. A sampling of other configurations includes a 32 MB ORION at $51,400, a 256 MB ORION/VL at $224,000 and a 1 gigabyte (GB) ORION/VL at $552,000. Volume shipments for the Unisys market will begin in November, 1990.

There are two models in the ORION Series: the ORION and the ORION/VL. The ORION contains two control units, with a total capacity ranging from 16 MB to 1.8 GB, in a cabinet whose footprint measures 3.5 square feet. The ORION/VL contains from two to eight control units, and a subsystem capacity of up to 4.8 GB. The footprint of this unit is 5.0 square feet. The power and air conditioning requirements of these subsystems are 1/6 that of magnetic disk storage devices.

The ORION Series attaches to the Block Multiplexor Channel using FIPS protocol and standard I/O handlers. Each control unit has two host interfaces, for a maximum of up to eight simultaneous host transfers. Both models contain one to 16 variable-size logical drives, and configurations can be defined by the user. This is done via a menu-driven PC interface, and is retained in non-volatile storage.

The ORION Series subsystems are equipped with the highest level of fault isolation available in the industry, including triple bit detection and double bit correction. To further add to the reliability of the subsystem, each ORION must pass a series of stringent testing procedures at the factory. This testing involves 100 hours of intelligent burn-in and an additional 100 hours of CPU qualification before units are certified for shipment.

EMC has designed two features for the ORION Series, which reside in the cabinet, to assure data availability and integrity. ORION subsystems come standard with a one hour Battery Back-up Unit (BBU), and users may also purchase an optional Winchester hard disk back-up device called DataSave.

With DataSave, information stored in RAM can be downloaded to magnetic disk in the event of a power loss. This means even the most critical files can be stored on ORION, improving their performance without the risk of data loss.

The ORION Series is maintained by EMC's direct worldwide service organization

including a Customer Response Center where a toll-free phone hotline and remote diagnostics round out a complete support program. In addition, EMC has a Technical Support Group which is available to provide added services like capacity planning and post-sales support.

EMC Corp. supplies innovative, high performance products and related services for midrange and mainframe computers worldwide.

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AMITYVILLE, NY (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Nu Horizons Electronics Corp. (AMEX:NUH) Monday announces results of operations for the second quarter ended Aug. 31.

The company reported net sales of $19,807,550 for the six months ended Aug. 31 1990, as compared to $20,088,555 for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1989. Net sales for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, and 1989, were $9,619,326 and $9,621,686, respectively.

Net income for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, was $178,004, or 4 cents per share, on a primary and fully diluted basis as compared to $426,620, or 10 cents per share on a primary basis or 9 cents per share on a fully diluted basis for the corresponding period of the prior year. Net income for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, was $12,237, or 0 cents per share on a primary and fully diluted basis as compared to $217,004, or 5 cents per share on a primary and fully diluted basis for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1989.

The company's marginal decreases in sales for the six and three month periods ended Aug. 31, 1990, were primarily due to the loss of the company's major supplier, National Semiconductor Corp. (National), in June 1990. The loss of these sales was substantially offset by increased sales of the company's niche technology franchised product lines as well as the sales attained from the addition in May 1990 of franchised products of Toshiba America Electronic Components Inc. (Toshiba), a major Japanese manufacturer.

The company anticipates that the loss of National could adversely affect sales and earnings during the remainder of the current fiscal year as well as into fiscal 1992. The company intends to seek additional franchised lines with other manufacturers as the opportunity arises.

The company's lower earnings resulted from increased operating expenses primarily due to additional sales personnel in the company's existing branch sales locations and staffing requirements in a new branch sales facility in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. These additional sales personnel were employed to sell

Toshiba and other niche product lines in all of the company's branch locations.

Nu Horizons Electronics Corp. is a leading distributor of active and passive electronic components for a variety of commercial, industrial and military markets.

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HERNDON, VA. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Delaney E. Blaine, chairman of the board of TEMPEST Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: TTOI) announced Monday that Stanley G. Peery has been named acting president of TEMPEST Technologies.

Peery joined TEMPEST Technologies in November 1988 as senior vice president of operations. Prior to joining TEMPEST Technologies, Peery was employed by Data General Corp. where he was Federal System Engineering division manager at Research Triangle Park, N.C.

Peery has over 25 years of engineering and manufacturing experience. In his new duties he will be responsible for all day to day operations of TEMPEST Technologies Inc.

TEMPEST Technologies Inc., a publicly held company headquartered in Herndon, designs and manufactures modifications for computer and peripheral equipment to comply with military standards and TEMPEST specifications established by the United States Government. Its shares are traded on the NASDAQ under the symbol ''TTOI''.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Kemper Securities Group Inc. (KSG) Monday named Jeffrey H. Kahn president of its Prescott, Ball & Turben Division.

The announcement was made by James R. Boris, chairman and chief executive officer of Kemper Securities Group Inc.

Kahn, who will report to Thomas E. Meade, president and chief operating officer of Kemper Securities Group, succeeds Lawrence G. Kirshbaum, who resigned his post in late September to pursue private business interests.

Most recently, Kahn, 51, was an executive vice president of Smith Barney,

Harris, Upham & Co. in New York. He was a member of the firm's operating committee, as well as a member of its board of directors and its audit committee. In addition, Kahn served as chairman of Smith Barney's expense reduction committee, and was a member of its government credit committee and the Smith Barney Foundation.

Kahn joined Smith Barney in 1965 as a broker in its Chicago office. Since that time, he has served in senior capacities in institutional sales management, retail sales management, asset management, and securities operations and systems.

He graduated from Yale University in 1960 with a bachelor's degree in English Literature.

Kahn and his wife, Maurine, currently live in Rye, N.Y., but will relocate to Cleveland.

Based in Cleveland with substantial operations in New York, the Prescott, Ball & Turben Division does most of its business in the eastern and midwestern states. Prescott's retail branch system is a major source of this division's strength, with 42 offices and 400 investment brokers.

Kemper Securities Group Holdings Inc. was formed in January of this year to represent Kemper's expanding securities businesses and to coordinate activities of the Kemper Securities Group:

Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards, based in Los Angeles; Blunt Ellis & Loewi, based in Milwaukee; Boettcher & Co., headquartered in Denver; Lovett Underwood Neuhaus & Webb, headquartered in Houston; Prescott, Ball & Turben, based in Cleveland; Kemper Clearing Corp., headquartered in New York; and Kemper Capital Markets in Chicago.

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BOSTON (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Trustees of Eastern Utilities Associates (NYSE:EUA) Monday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 65 cents per common share, payable Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 1, 1990.

Eastern Utilities Associates is a Boston-based investor-owned holding company whose shares are traded on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

Subsidiaries are Blackstone Valley Electric Co., Eastern Edison Co., Newport Electric Corp., EUA Cogenex Corp., EUA Energy Investment Corp., EUA Ocean

State Corp., EUA Power Corp., EUA Service Corp., and Montaup Electric Co. Together, the companies are known as the EUA System.

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WOBURN, MA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Easel Corp. (NASDAQ: EASL) and Annatek Systems Inc., of Boulder, Colo., Monday announced a cooperative marketing relationship which provides Easel's customers worldwide with a powerful solution for managing their distributed PC systems environment.

Easel will now offer Annatek's Network Navigator family of software products in conjunction with its EASEL graphical application development environment. Network Navigator products automate the management of software distribution, data distribution and collection, PC configuration management, and remote support.

With Network Navigator, Easel's customers will have a comprehensive, automated solution for the distribution of EASEL applications and runtime software updates throughout their organization's entire network of PCs. Network Navigator will also enable application developers to: (1) automatically distribute mainframe data to the appropriate end users for use in EASEL applications; (2) collect data created and updated by EASEL applications for mainframe processing; (3) collect information on the configurations of the distributed PCs in their organization; and (4) remotely support EASEL application users from a centralized location.

Network Navigator is comprised of three integrated components which form the basis for automated systems management. These components are:

DISPATCHER, which provides a connectivity-independent store-and- forward platform based on a queued approach, facilitating the routing of software, data and requests, as well as the collection of information, and guaranteeing delivery to all final destinations with complete audit trails; AUTOPILOT, which completes the distribution and collection process by automating: software installation, the steps required to process data once it is received at the PC, and the processing of requests such as software inventory; and COPILOT, which enables application developers to remotely support end users interactively.

Easel customers can purchase Network Navigator directly from Easel Corp. When sold in conjunction with EASEL products, Network Navigator starter kit prices begin at $9500.00.

Easel Corp. is a leader in the fast-growing market for graphical application

software development tools. The company's technology allows programmers to create personal workstation based applications which feature graphical user interfaces and integrate with new and existing host computer resources.

Annatek Systems Inc. has been in the communications software business since 1983, providing turnkey solutions for distributed systems. Annatek's Network Navigator product family extends central management to the decentralized workstation environment, including PC software distribution, data distribution and collection, PC configuration management, and remote support. Network Navigator is available as an MVS VTAM application or under MVS/TSO and VM/CMS, and supports LU 6.2, 3270 emulation, LAN gateways and asynchronous connections.

EASEL is a registered trademark of Easel Corp. Network Navigator is a trademark of Annatek Systems Inc.

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GRENADA, MISS. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert E. Kennington II, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Grenada Sunburst System Corp. (NASDAQ:GSSC), the parent company of Sunburst Bank, Miss., and Sunburst Bank, La., announced increased earnings for the company for the third quarter of $2.51 million, up from $2.38 million reported for the second quarter of 1990.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $7.65 million, a 122 percent increase over the Sept. 30, 1989, earnings of $3.44 million. Total assets for the company stood at $1,873,533,449 at the quarter's end while gross loans were $1,093,264,854. Stockholders' equity increased 3.71 percent to $119,580,067 over the Sept. 30, 1989, amount.

Following the quarterly meeting of the company's board of directors, Kennington announced a fourth quarter cash dividend of 15 cents per share payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

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NORWOOD, MA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Telco Systems Inc. (TELC)OTC National Market) announced Monday that sales for its fiscal year ended Aug. 26, 1990,

increased 27 percent to $90.2 million, compared with $71.2 million last year.

Net income the year increased to $7,507,000, or 81 cents per share, compared with $2,856,000, or 33 cents per share in the year-ago period. Telco's financial condition remained very strong with cash and short-term investments at year end amounting to $21.2 million.

For the fourth fiscal quarter, sales increased 44 percent to $24.7 million compared with $17.2 million last year. Net income for the quarter increased to $2,640,000, or 28 cents per share, compared with $1,160,000, or 13 cents per share in fiscal 1989.

Paul Lazay, president and chief executive officer, said gains in sales and earnings were achieved for the full year in both fiber optic transmission products and customer premise network access equipment, the company's two business areas. Sales of fiber optic transmission products increased 13 percent to $52.2 million, and sales of T1 network access multiplexer equipment increased 53 percent to $38.0 million.

Excellent progress was achieved during the year in expanding Telco Systems' customer base of Bell Operating Companies, major independent telephone companies and interexchange carriers. Of particular significance was the increase in purchases by several Bell Operating Companies of Telco's T-HUB and FOX-2 fiber optic distribution systems for use in telephone local loop applications. Successful field trials and product approvals completed late in the year offer increased opportunity for the future.

Telco Systems' position in the T1 network access multiplexer market continued very strong as revenues for both the DCB-24 and ROUTE-24 intelligent multiplexers continued to grow at a rapid pace. Interexchange carrier relationships were expanded, providing a strengthened position in this important customer area. Strategic marketing arrangements for the resale of Telco's access multiplexers were also established with Bell Operating Companies and independent telephone companies.

For the coming year, the company's two markets continue to offer excellent potential. In the fiber optic transmission area, Telco is uniquely positioned to benefit from the rapid deployment of fiber optic systems presently occurring in the telephone network. In the T1 multiplexer market, the company sees many opportunities for good growth. T1 service will continue to offer new subscribers the ability to achieve cost savings and access to a variety of new services. Lazay said the momentum is underway at Telco Systems for another strong year in fiscal 1991.

Telco Systems Inc., based in Norwood, Mass., designs and manufactures high-speed digital fiber optic transmission terminals, digital multiplexing equipment for telephone and other applications, and network access multiplexers for the customer premise T1 market.

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ROUYN-NORANDA, QUEBEC (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Audrey Resources Inc. announces the start of a new surface drilling campaign on the entire Mobrun property.

Following the discovery of the 850, 870 and 930 lenses in 1987, the 1100 lens in 1988 and the C lens in 1990, surface drilling is to verify the presence of similar mineralization elsewhere on the property.

A total of 20,000 feet of diamond drilling is planned in order to assess favorable geophysical and geological targets previously identified. The campaign will continue with two drills until the end of the year.

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EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - P&O Containers, a subsidiary of the U.K. based P&O Group, is expanding its North Atlantic service to include Le Havre, France, as a direct port of call.

The new service will commence on Nov. 6, 1990 with a weekly fixed schedule, every Thursday from Le Havre to North Atlantic ports. The new rotation will span Boston, New York, Norfolk, Bremerhaven, Felixstowe, Rotterdam and Le Havre. Vessels will operate from the Quai De L'Atlantique terminal, a modern, third generation, full service facility outside of the Le Havre Lock System.

''After a two year absence, we are pleased to be returning to Le Havre,'' said Paul Duvoisin, senior vice president of P&O's North Atlantic Trade Division. ''As in the past, we will be providing reliability and quick transits to the French and North American markets.''

P&O Containers operates 26 offices in the United States, including its new East Rutherford headquarters. One of Europe's leading container lines, P&O Containers provides an extensive network of intermodal services that link North America and the Caribbean with Northern Europe, the Mediterranean, the Middle East, Africa and Asia.

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DALLAS/NEW YORK (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Southmark Corp. (NASDAQ:SMRK) and real estate investor and sponsor Robert A. McNeil jointly announced Monday an agreement for McNeil to purchase selected assets related to Southmark's syndication and property management operations for $7.5 million in cash.

As part of the transaction, McNeil intends to solicit the consent of the limited partners of 34 selected partnerships in the Southmark portfolio requesting that they approve a restructuring plan for each individual partnership.

''This transaction represents for me an initial step in re-establishing a first class real estate organization which I expect will be eminently qualified to preserve and enhance values for the limited partners,'' said McNeil.

''I believe that there is significant value in these partnership assets. Despite the widespread concern that today real estate provides little value for investors, I am convinced that underlying values can be enhanced through efficient management.''

McNeil added, ''In the coming weeks I intend to ask the limited partners of the selected partnerships to approve a restructuring plan which will give them a strong management team under my direction.''

Southmark Chairman Glen Adams commented, ''This sale accomplishes several important goals in my mission to realize maximum value for the benefit of Southmark's creditors.

''It raises cash immediately at closing, reduces overhead costs significantly, and provides the nearly 100,000 limited partners of the selected partnerships with an experienced leader with a proven track record of financial responsibility and prudent management.

''As an added benefit, I anticipate that the sale will result in continued employment opportunities for many Southmark personnel with McNeil's new company.''

The agreement calls for McNeil to purchase all of the outstanding advances made by Southmark or its subsidiaries to the selected partnerships. McNeil will also purchase the assets of Southmark's commercial and residential

property management companies and will form a new property management company, headquartered in Dallas, to manage the 134 properties owned by the partnerships.

Southmark Corp., headquartered in Dallas, is a real estate and financial services company. The company emerged from bankruptcy in August, 1990, and has embarked on a program to liquidate most of its assets for the benefit of its creditors.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Grand Valley Gas Co. (OTC:GVGC) has completed the analysis of the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Earnings were $618,000, or 10 cents per share, for the first quarter, representing an increase of 48 percent over the same period during the previous year. Gas sales volumes were approximately 18,500,000 MCF during the quarter with sales revenue of $16,100,000.

Gas marketing activities were strong during the first quarter, a period which is historically slow in the gas industry. This performance is the result of a diverse market base including increased sales to high load factor industrial end-users, and long term sales to utility customers with volume purchase commitments.

Grand Valley is currently participating in drilling three additional wells, targeting oil and associated gas production. The company controls an average 10 percent working interest in the wells, located in Grand and Uintah counties Utah.

Natural gas storage facilities provide the capability to service the peak winter demand. The company has entered into an agreement to access a proven storage reservoir during the current fiscal year to provide its customers with a gas supply when it is needed most.

During the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, considerable gas supply acquisition efforts and cash were committed to the gas suppliers injected into the storage reservoir. Gas storage injections will continue during the second quarter of the current fiscal year.

The company has executed contracts for the sale of the storage gas supplies during the third and fourth quarters of the current fiscal year. The company is taking advantage of the seasonally lower gas prices during the summer months to accumulate the gas inventory. This gas inventory will then be sold during the winter months to take advantage of the seasonally higher sales prices.

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NASHUA, N.H. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Consistent with previously announced restructuring charges, Ferrofluidics Corp. (OTC:FERO) Monday announced a net loss of ($14,310,000) or ($5.09) per share for the year ended June 30, 1990 compared to a net profit of $52,000 or $.02 per share for the prior year.

The results include a loss from the company's U.K. subsidiary, AF Technologies Ltd., of ($4,007,000), which consisted of a loss on the sale of ($2,222,000), and a loss from discontinued operations of ($1,7845,000).

The operating loss from continuing operations, including restructuring and other nonrecurring charges of ($7,026,000), was ($9,122,000) for the 1990 fiscal year vs. operating income of $382,000 for 1989.

Sales and revenues from continuing operations were $23,462,000 in fiscal 1990 vs. $14,088,000 for the comparable period last year. Fiscal 1990 revenues include $7,086,000 for the comparable period last year. Fiscal 1990 revenues include $7,086,000 from the company's German subsidiary, Advanced Products & Technologies GmbH, which was acquired in September 1989.

Backlog at year end was $7,164,000 vs. $6,442,000. Bookings for the year were $22,284,000 compared to $17,347,000 for last year. Backlog and bookings for the 1989 fiscal year do not include AF Technologies Ltd.

Dr. Ronald Moskowitz, chief executive officer, said, ''The results for the fiscal year reflect the impact of our worldwide restructuring plan, announced to our shareholders in June of this year. We have eliminated a number of items which have adversely impacted the company's profitability in past years and this action should result in a more profitable company, commencing in the first quarter of the current fiscal year.

We sold our UK manufacturing subsidiary as a result of continued substandard performance and the weakness of its primary markets which included the aerospace and defense industries.''

Ferrofluidics also revised the terms of its debt agreements with its primary banks, adding a foreign exchange facility in the amount of SF 7,535,000 (Swiss Francs) to facilitate the repayment of a convertible debenture, due in 1991, placing the agreements on a secured basis, and eliminating an unused $1,100,000 line of credit facility. The company also reduced its guarantee obligation for certain bank loand from $6,900,000 to $800,000 by ayment of $1,200,000.

Ferrofluidics Corp. is the pioneer and world leader in ferrofluid (magnetic fluid) technology. The company manufactures proprietary products for high growth market applications including rotary seals for semiconductor manufacturing and a variety of controlled environment processes; exclusion seals for computer memory disk drives; ferrofluid film bearing spindles for high performance rotational applications; fully automated crystal growing furnaces; and ferrofluids for audio loudspeakers.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The company formerly called Prime Resources Corp. (NASDAQ:PLDS) will henceforth be known as Prime Telecommunications Inc.; and J. Robert Bonnemort has been named a director of the company, pursuant to the company's annual meeting Thursday, Oct. 11, 1990.

The company's name change reflects Prime's focus in recent years on the telecommunications industry, which began with Prime's 1987 purchase of LDL Long Distance. Bradford Brower, chairman and chief executive officer of Prime, commented on the name change: ''In a competitive environment, management believes it is important that the company have a name that clearly reflects its focus. Telecommunications is what we do and are.''

Shareowners of Prime also approved the appointment of J. Robert Bonnemort, 46, vice president and director of Matrix Funding Corp., Salt Lake City, to the company's board of directors. Bonnemort holds an MBA from the Amos Tuck School of Business Administration at Dartmouth and was formerly vice president of Argus Leasing Corp., a subsidiary of Zions Utah Bancorporation.

Based in Salt Lake City, with offices in Phoenix, Tucson and Albuquerque, Prime Telecommunications Corp. provides worldwide long-distance telecommunication services to over 14,500 customers in Arizona, Utah, New Mexico and Nevada. The company plans to continue expansion in the southwest and intermountain regions.

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TUPELO, MS (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Hancock Fabrics Inc. (NYSE:HKF) Monday announced the election of Jack W. Busby Jr. as the company's executive vice president and director of retail operations.

Busby replaces Donald L. Richey who has joined the Cloth World fabric store division of Brown Group Inc.

Busby, 48, is a native of the Tupelo area, attended the University of Mississippi and Delta State University and joined Hancock in 1966. He has served in a variety of capacities in store, district and regional management and has been vice president, retail operations, since 1985.

In making the announcement, Morris Jarvis, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: ''We are pleased to have an individual of Jack Busby's ability to head our store operations. His 24 years of experience in the Hancock approach to fabric retailing will insure the stability and continuity of our program.''

Hancock Fabrics Inc. is a retail and wholesale merchant of fabrics, crafts, and related home sewing accessories. The company operates 419 stores in 31 states nationwide and supplies about 200 independent wholesale customers.

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WASHINGTON, DC (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - COMSAT Corp. Monday announced Jack Hannon has been named to the new position of vice president, corporate issues management.

In this newly created position, Hannon will assist senior management in developing long-range strategies that respond to major issues in such areas as public policy and changes in the marketplace.

Hannon previously served as vice president and deputy division manager of the COMSAT World Systems Division.

COMSAT also announced that William K. Coulter has been named to the new position of vice president, government affairs for the corporation. He will

have responsibility for all regulatory and legislative activities in the corporation. Coulter had been vice president, government relations, for the COMSAT World Systems Division.

COMSAT, a publicly traded corporation, provides international, domestic and maritime communication and information and entertainment services and conducts research on advanced communications technologies. COMSAT represents the U.S. in the International Telecommunications Satellite Organization and the International Maritime Satellite Organization.

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BOSTON (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were reported for Grove Bank Monday.

Quarterly net income was $147,000 or 10 cents per share. This compares with $360,000 or 24 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989. Through the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, earnings were $578,000 or 39 cents per share. In the same period in 1989 Grove earned $1.3 million or 87 cents per share.

When releasing the report Thomas R. Venables, president and chief executive officer, pointed out that the quarter just ended included a loan loss provision of $150,000, a writedown of real estate owned of $123,000 and a continuing low demand in Grove's market area for residential mortgage loans.

''Nevertheless, the bank has turned in a solidly profitable performance that included a drop in both delinquent loans and total non-performing assets from the last reported quarter which ended June 30, 1990,'' Venables said.

The bank's board of directors declared Grove's 13th consecutive cash dividend at its Sept. 26 meeting to shareholders of record on Oct. 8, 1990. The amount is 9 cents per share and it will be paid on Oct. 22.

Grove Bank is a Massachusetts-chartered stock savings bank with assets of $209.8 million. The bank's book value was $17.74 per share on Sept. 30, 1990. Grove's deposit are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) and the Deposit Insurance Fund of Massachusetts (DIFM).

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - CMS Enhancements Inc. (NYSE:CME), a global producer of mass data storage devices and accessories, Monday announced two new disk drives, a desktop trackball and a memory- expansion board which support the newly released Macintosh Classic.

The disk drives, dubbed the MC-20 and MC-100, are available in capacities of 20- and 100-Mbytes. The MC-20 subsystem provides a considerable cost savings to Apple's 20-Mbyte configuration. The MC-100 was introduced as an upgrade to bridge the gap between the cost of a 2/40 system and the SE/30.

Available by Oct. 31, the MC-100 has a suggested retail price of $999. The MC-20 will ship in November and will carry a suggested retail price of $299.

The Right Trak is designed for use with all Apple and Macintosh units with an ADB interface, typically reserved for a mouse. Its compact design saves desktop space and the non-removable ball is ideal for security-conscious institutions such as schools and large corporations.

Available after Oct. 15, the Right Trak has a suggested retail price of $89.95.

The new memory-expansion board supports up to 3 Mbytes of memory, bringing the machine's total memory capacity to 4 Mbytes. Using standard 1 Mbyte X 8 SIMM modules, the CMS board has a base memory of 1 Mbyte, with expansion slots for an additional 2 Mbytes. Like Apple's memory option, the CMS board inserts directly into the existing memory-expansion slot.

Available in mid-November, the CMS expansion board with 1 Mbyte of memory has a suggested retail price of $129.95.

CMS Enhancements has sales in excess of $185 million producing mass data storage devices and accessories for computers manufactured by Apple, IBM, Compaq, Digital Equipment Corp., Epson, NEC, Toshiba, Tandy, AT&T, Sun Microsystems, Commodore, AST and many others.

The firm ships more than 50,000 hard disk and tape drives per month to 1,500 dealers and distributors in the United States and 60 other nations.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Washington residents can help local children say ''no'' to drugs and alcohol by saying ''yes'' to a Great Western (NYSE:GWF) checking account through the new GW Checking Helps program, Great Western Bank announced Monday.

Through the program, Great Western will contribute $5 to Washington State D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) for every new checking account opened at any of its 14 branches located in King, Snohomish and Yakima counties between Oct. 15 and Dec. 31. This is the first time either organization has undertaken such a program.

''Of course the financial support is welcome,'' said Paul Russell, president of Washington State D.A.R.E. ''But, what's really exciting about Great Western's program is that branch employees will be involved with D.A.R.E. on a personal level, working with local police officers in support of the program.''

D.A.R.E. is a non-profit joint venture of local law enforcement agencies and school districts to teach children, from kindergarten through high school, the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse. Currently, 70,000 students are involved in the D.A.R.E. program throughout Washington state.

Great Western's goal is to raise $6,500 for D.A.R.E. through its GW Checking Helps program by year end 1990. All funds contributed will be used by Washington State D.A.R.E. to help local police officers purchase course materials and supplies.

''Great Western is strongly committed to making a contribution to the quality of life in the communities it serves,'' said Milt Bledsoe, regional vice president. ''We look forward to working with our customers and the community for this worthwhile cause.''

Great Western Bank is a subsidiary of Great Western Financial Corp. With assets of nearly $40 billion, Great Western is a real estate-oriented, retail bank. One of the nation's leading residential mortgage lenders, the company operates 1,000 mortgage lending, retail banking and consumer finance offices nationwide. In Washington, Great Western Bank has assets of $950 million and total deposits of $391 million.

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COPIAGUE, NY (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - TII Industries Inc. (ASE:TI) announced Monday that sales during the second half of fiscal 1990 (ended June 29, 1990) increased to $16,651,000, a 34 percent improvement over first half levels.

The company's operating results also improved with the net loss during the second half decreasing to $359,000 after a net loss of $3,313,000 during the first half. Sales for fiscal 1990 were $29,065,000 compared to $31,475,000

for fiscal 1989.

Sales and operations for fiscal 1990 were adversely affected by Hurricane Hugo which struck the company's principal manufacturing facility in Puerto Rico on Sept. 18, 1989, as well as labor strikes during the first half of fiscal 1990 at several Regional Bell operating companies, principal customers of the company.

As of June 29, 1990, approximately $1,935,000 out of a total estimated insurance claim of $2.8 million has been collected. The company is still negotiating its business interruption claim of approximately $900,000.

On Sept. 26, 1990, the company's lender banks agreed to reschedule the term loan principal payments on the company's outstanding debt. The commitment letter signed in this regard establishes a favorable new repayment schedule of varying quarterly installments beginning with $125,000 and escalating over the term, starting on Nov. 1, 1990 and ending May 1, 1995. The company also agreed to use $1 million of the insurance proceeds received to date and up to $500,000 of any additional proceeds to reduce existing loans.

The company is also in the process of completing negotiations with a federal agency to provide new loans of $2 million to the company. These funds, if they become available to the company, will be reserved for use principally in the company's facilities in Haiti and Dominican Republic primarily for capital projects, with a certain portion of the funds available for research projects in the United States.

As part of the commitment letter signed with the banks, the chairman of the company has agreed to sell a metal stamping/forming company and certain assets of a leasing company to the company for book values of approximately $4.2 million.

The company will purchase these for convertible redeemable preferred stock. The preferred stock will pay dividends at 10 percent per annum in the same class of preferred stock and is not redeemable until all present bank loans are repaid.

TII Industries Inc., with executive offices and R&D facilities in Copiague and manufacturing facilities in Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic and Haiti, is a high technology company specializing in the design, manufacture and sale of telephone network interface and protection products, surge protection and specialized electronic devices, principally for use in the telecommunications and computer industries.

TII Industries Inc. and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Statements of Operations

	June 29, 1990	June 30, 1989
Net sales	$ 29,065,000	$ 31,475,000
Costs and expenses		
Cost of sales	24,357,000	24,884,000
Forgiveness of deferred credit-net	---	(4,018,000)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	5,475,000	6,429,000
Research and development expenses	1,515,000	1,917,000
Operating income (loss)	(2,282,000)	2,263,000
Other income (expense)		
Interest expense	(1,515,000)	(1,231,000)
Other income, net	125,000	53,000
Total other expenses	(1,390,000)	(1,178,000)
Income (loss) before provision for income taxes and equity in net income (loss) of affiliate	(3,672,000)	1,085,000
Equity in net (loss) of affiliate and write-down of $436,000 to the estimated net realizable value of advances and investment in affiliate in 1989	---	(747,000)
Net income (loss)	($3,672,000)	$ 338,000
Net income (loss) per common and common equivalent shares:	($1.04)	$ .09
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	3,532,000	3,603,000

CONTACT: TII Industries Inc., Copiague
Thomas F. Belleau, 516/789-5000

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ATLANTA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - At their meeting in Atlanta Monday, the directors of The Southern Company declared a regular quarterly dividend of 53 1/2 cents a share on the company's common stock, payable Dec. 6, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 5.

This marks the 172nd consecutive quarter -- dating back to 1948 -- that The Southern Company will have paid a dividend to its common stockholders.

The Southern Company (NYSE:SO) is the parent firm of five electric utilities: Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power, and Savannah Electric. The Southern Company's common stock is one of the 20 most widely held corporate stocks in America.

CONTACT: The Southern Co., Atlanta
Gale Klappa or Tripp Cagle, 404/455-1077.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert Fowler has resigned as chairman, president and CEO of Josephson Office Products Inc. (JOP) effective immediately.

Raymond T. Riffle succeeds Fowler as president and CEO and Marvin Josephson becomes chairman.

Riffle is currently president and CEO of JOP's Wilson Business Products, headquartered in Houston, with branches in Dallas, San Antonio and Austin, Texas. He will continue to run Wilson in addition to his responsibilities at JOP.

JOP's other companies in the office furnishings and supply business are General Office Products in Minneapolis/St. Paul, Rucker Fuller Co. in San Francisco and the Bay area, UniWest (formerly United Business Interiors and Southwest Business Interiors) covering Southern California and Inventory Networking Inc. in Phoenix.

Riffle served in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean conflict. He graduated from Youngstown State University and attended Harvard Business School. He has been associated with Wilson Business Products since 1971.

CONTACT: Josephson Office Products Inc., New York
Raymond Riffle, 212/556-5600

-30- 1320
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LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - DMI Furniture Inc. (NASDAQ:DMIF), announced Monday record sales for the fiscal year and fourth quarter ended Sept. 1, 1990, from its current lines of business.

Sales for the fourth quarter increased by 15 percent to $11,879,000 from $10,372,000 for the comparable quarter of fiscal 1989. Earnings per common share, after assumed conversion of convertible preferred stock into common, was 6 cents the same as last year. Net income was $320,000, as compared to $376,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

For fiscal 1990, sales increased to $47,340,000 from $45,781,000 for fiscal 1989. Net income was $1,301,000, as compared to $2,632,000 for the prior year. Earnings per common share, assuming conversion of convertible preferred stock into common, was 23 cents, as compared to 43 cents a year ago.

Donald D. Dreher, president and chief executive officer, said: ''Despite a

weaking marketplace and a slow start for DMI, we are very pleased to report our fourth consecutive year of record sales.

''We were especially encouraged by the fourth quarters' strong shipments and a rebound of our earnings per share to that of the prior years successful fourth quarter.''

DMI is a manufacturer and marketer of residential desks and chairs, wood office furniture, and promotionally priced bedroom furniture.

CONTACT: DMI Furniture Inc., Louisville
Joseph G. Hill, 502/426-4351.

-30- 1605
#90288b0849 10/15/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Robern Apparel Inc. filed on Oct. 3rd an offering for $3 million with the SEC which utilizes R.H. Damon & Co. Inc. as underwriters on a firm commitment basis.

The proceeds of the offering are to be used for working capital and for the reduction of debt.

Robern Apparel is the parent company of Robern Ski Wear Inc., which is an importer, marketer and distributor of competitvely-priced skiwear and rugged outerwear and activewear under the names ''Downhill Racer,'' ''Green Mountain'' and ''Norska.'' In the year ended Feb. 28, the company had sales of $10.2 million.

CONTACT: Robern Apparel Inc., New Yorkp; Paul E. Palmeri, 212/563-7040 or Fredric E. von Stange, 212/687-7577

-30- 882
#90288b0851 10/15/1990 ~Business Wire

TOLEDO, OH (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Monday Dana Corp.'s board of directors declared the company's 212th consecutive quarterly dividend.

The dividend of 40 cents per share is payable on Dec. 14, to shareholders of record Nov. 30, and continues the annual rate of $1.60 per share.

''Dana's directors are encouraged with the improvements in operating margins, the diversity of our markets, and the increased strength of international operations,'' said Southwood J. Morcott, Dana's chairman and chief executive officer. ''This performance is reassuring given today's worldwide economic and political uncertainties.''

The third-quarter financial results will be released on Oct. 18.

CONTACT: Dana Corp., Toledo; Don Decker, 419/535-4601

-30- 913

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WAUKESHA, WIS. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Criticare Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:CXIM) a manufacturer and marketer of medical monitoring equipment, Monday reported record demand for its products with orders reaching a level of $5.3 million for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 30, a 50 percent increase over the like quarter a year ago.

Due to production delays in its new 1100 Vital Signs Monitor, actual shipments were $4,608,678 for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $3,473,871 for the like period last year. The company reported a net loss of ($82,819) or (1 cent) per share for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, compared to a net loss of ($169,151) or (3 cents) per share for last year's first quarter.

During the quarter, the company experienced continued strong demand for its products due to their reliable performance, superior diagnostic capabilities, and potential cost savings for both hospitals and outpatient treatment centers.

Criticare's President Gerhard Von der Ruhr, commented that ''The uncertainty of Medicare funding and the growing fear of a recession make hospital administrators and department heads increasingly receptive to the sizeable cost savings that can be realized by using our products. Demand for Criticare's products has increased in both the domestic and international markets.'' Von der Ruhr added that the company is looking forward to continued growth in revenues and earnings for the balance of this fiscal year.

Criticare Systems Inc. is involved in the research, development and marketing of diagnostic and therapeutic products which address two major concerns in health care: the need to improve patient management and the pressure to contain costs in all aspects of medical practice. The company's products include pulse oximeters and other monitors for blood chemistry and sleep disorders.

CONTACT: Criticare Systems Inc., Waukesha
Gerhard J. Von der Ruhr, 414/797-8282

-30- 2178

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Whitman's Chocolates, the nation's oldest producer of boxed chocolates, plans to restage and contemporize its product line as part of a major effort to expand the business by 1992 when the company celebrates its 150th anniversary, Jay G. Shoemaker, company president,

announced Monday.

Shoemaker, who will personally oversee the implementation of the campaign, outlined the new initiatives which are ''designed to return us to the fundamentals of the business and emphasize the demonstrative quality that goes into all our products. 1992 is a landmark year for us so it is only fitting that we set our goals as a 150th birthday present to our customers and consumers.'' The bold new program consists of:

-- A completely new product line and in-store merchandising concept designed to move Whitman's to the forefront of the confectionary industry. The product line changes will leverage the consumer equities of the Whitman's Sampler, the largest-selling and most widely recognized boxed chocolate in the country.

-- The largest advertising and promotion plan in the company's 150-year history will back the relaunching of the product line in late 1991. This includes the distribution of more than 100 million coupons, special promotional packages, extensive public relations, and the resumption of a national advertising campaign.

-- The modernization of processing and packaging methods, begun three years ago, will be greatly expanded. This will mean greater flexibility in responding to customers' needs and design innovations.

-- Expansion of distribution, both domestically and internationally, is consistent with Whitman's goals to be readily available for consumer's impulse-gift-buying occasions.

Shoemaker will personally visit Whitman's customers over the next six months to obtain candid customer feedback on the improvement program. ''I hope they hit me with both barrels. I want to hear first-hand where they think we're weak and get their input on how we can make our products better,'' he added. ''I'm going to make changes where necessary for our mutual benefit.''

CONTACT: Whitman's Chocolates, Philadelphia
Charlotte Connelly, 215/464-6000, or fax 215/677-1482

-30- 2460

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Yankee Stores Inc. (OTC:QUAD) Monday announced that it has changed its name to Specialty Retail Ventures Inc. (OTC:3SRVI).

The company noted that its new name more closely reflects its strategic direction which is to acquire and build high growth specialty regional retailers that are in niches that the company believes to be attractive in the

changing retail environment.

The company also announced that it had completed the private placement of $1.25MM debentures, due August 1991. The debentures are subordinated, unsecured and bear interest at the rate of 10 percent per annum. The debentures carry warrants to purchase stock.

It is anticipated that the debentures will be repaid from the proceeds of future financings.

Specialty Retail Ventures is the parent corporation of Yankee Bargain Stores, a deep discount chain which currently operates 10 stores in northern New England specializing in deep discount brand name and close out-items.

CONTACT: Specialty Retail Ventures Inc., New York
Fredric E. von Stange, 212/687-7577
by
KCS&A Public Relations, New York
Adam I. Friedman, 212/682-6300.

-30- 1350

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Northeast Bancorp Inc. reported a loss of $5,674,000, or 78 cents per share for the third quarter as compared to net income of $8,815,000, or $1.11 per share, for the same period in 1989.

The company posted a loss of $35,478,000, or $4.89 per share, for the first nine months of 1990 versus net income of $26,485,000, or $3.34 in 1989.

Non-performing assets which include non-accrual, restructured loans and other real estate owned (O.R.E.O.) totaled $168,386,000 at Sept. 30, an increase of $30,377,000 from June 30, levels of $138,009,000.

The ratio of non-performing assets of total loans increased to 7.22 percent at Sept. 30, from 5.92 percent at June 30. The reserve for possible loan losses was increased to $75,201,000 for the quarter vs. $70,018,000 as of June 30, reflecting a provision for possible loan losses of $17,500,000 and net chargeoffs of $12,317,000.

Frank J. Kugler Jr., chairman of Northeast Bancorp Inc. announced that the company reduced its common-stock dividend to 18 cents per share, from the previous quarter of 35 cents per share, payable Nov. 10, to shareholders of record Oct. 25. Kugler indicated that given the level of economic uncertainty the dividend reduction was a prudent step at this time.

He further indicated that in spite of the bank's strong capital position the outlook for continued recession in Connecticut warranted this immediate

capital retention measure. ''Preserving our strong capital base will give us the needed flexibility to grow during these difficult times.''

He further added that ''there are not many financial institutions in Connecticut as well capitalized as Northeast Bancorp which is a competitive advantage that we want to maintain.''

In commenting on the third quarter results, Kugler felt that salary and overhead expense reduction programs in conjunction with continued emphasis on loan quality are beginning to show signs of improving the company's financial outlook.

In particular, non-performing assets grew at half the rate from second to third quarter or $30,377,000 vs. a $66,380,000 increase from first quarter to second quarter. The effect of the nearly $6 million in salary savings from the salary reduction program completed Oct. 11 is expected to be fully realized in January 1991, but will have some effect on fourth quarter results after netting the cost of the severance program.

Northeast Bancorp Inc., is the parent company of Union Trust Co., NBI Mortgage Investment Corp., UT Finance Ltd. and Fairfield Properties Inc. With $3.3 billion in assets and 70 offices throughout the state, Union Trust is the third largest Connecticut-based commercial bank.

CONTACT: Northeast Bancorp Inc., Shelton, Conn.; John Kline, 203/929-5552, Ext. 4270

-30- 2993

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KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Philips Consumer Electronics of the Netherlands (NYSE:PHG) Monday signed an agreement to acquire, from Dynascan Corp., the Marantz brand name and trademarks for North America.

The Marantz audio and video products, which have been sold for years in Japan and Europe, have top-of-the-range quality reputations.

Philips considers the acquisition to be an excellent business opportunity that supports the further development of its worldwide product and distribution strategies.

Philips Consumer Electronics Co. (PCEC) with its headquarters based in Knoxville, a division of North American Philips Corp., manufactures and markets the Philips, Magnavox, Philco, and Sylvania audio and video brands.

CONTACT: Philips Consumer Electronics, Knoxville Patrick R. Wilson, 615/521-4499

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NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Louisiana Land and Exploration Co. (NYSE:LLX) (''LL&E'') Monday announced the successful extension of their West Butler prospect area located in the western portion of the Anadarko Basin in Custer County, Okla.

LL&E completed the Flick No. 2-19 well below 12,400 feet as a gas and gas condensate producer from the Red Fork interval of the Cherokee formation. The well flowed at a stabilized daily rate of 6.1 million cubic feet of natural gas and 307 barrels of condensate on an 18/64 inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 4,400 pounds per square inch.

LL&E is operator and owns a 40.5 percent working interest in this development well. Other major working interest owners include Enron Oil and Gas Co. (26.6 percent), Amerada Hess Corp. (16.4 percent), RAMCO-New York Life 1987 Limited (10.8 percent) and Grace Petroleum Corp. (3.5 percent). LL&E is currently drilling the west offset to the Flick well and plans to drill or participate in an additional six wells in the West Butler Area.

CONTACT: Louisiana Land & Exploration, New Orleans
Suzanne Baer, 504/566-6478

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#90288b0877 10/15/1990 ~Business Wire
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - American Franchise Group Inc. (NASDAQ:BUCS) announced its first half results at its annual shareholders meeting held earlier Monday in Fort Lauderdale.

A.F.G. reported a profit for the first half of the year and the second quarter ended Aug. 31 according to William Wilkerson, chairman and chief executive officer.

Gross revenues for the first six months ended Aug. 31 were $5,084,000 and net income was $83,000 or 1 cent per share. For the like period in fiscal 1990 revenues totaled $5,117,000 and the company recorded a loss of ($1,067,000) or (14 cents) per share.

Gross revenues for the quarter ended Aug. 31 were $2,451,000 and net income was $21,000. For the like period in fiscal 1990 revenues were $2,305,000 and the company recorded a loss of ($809,000) or (11 cents) per share.

Wilkerson said that the company has made significant headway in its goal to reduce S.G.& A. expenses and to return the company to a profitable condition.

American Franchise Group is a holding company which operates franchises

throughout the United States and Canada in printing-related businesses. It includes the world's largest chain of 92 thermography wholesale plants, as well as 88 PrintShack quick-print retail stores offering offset printing and selling advertising specialty products.

For further information contact: William Wilkerson, chairman, American Franchise Group Inc., 3000 NE 30th Place, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. 33306, telephone: 305/564-5302.

CONTACT: American Franchies Group Inc., Fort Lauderdale
William Wilkerson, 305/564-5302.

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CHARLESTON, WVA (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - National Banc of Commerce Co. reported earnings of $1,459,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $1,667,000 for the like period in 1989.

Earnings for the first nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $3,647,000 compared to $4,478,000 in 1989. The earnings decline is primarily attributed to a $900,000 increase the company made in its provision for loan losses during the second quarter 1990.

Deposits totalled $507,940,000 on Sept. 30, 1990 while total assets reached $637,780,000. Earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 were 24 cents based on 6,115,000 average shares outstanding, compared to 27 cents earned for the like period last year on 6,200,000 average shares outstanding.

Earnings per share for the first nine months of 1990 were 60 cents based on 6,153,000 average shares outstanding compared to 80 cents earned for the like period last year based on 5,608,000 average shares outstanding.

National Banc of Commerce Co. is the parent company for The National Bank of Commerce of Charleston, Nitro, South Charleston, The Guaranty National Bank of Huntington, and The Bank of Man, with 20 locations in seven counties throughout West Virginia.

CONTACT: National Banc of Commerce Co., Charleston
Michael A. Lindahl, 304/348-5062.

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#90288b0880 10/15/1990 ~Business Wire
BRAINTREE, MASS. (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ:GROS) reported September 1990 sales of $89.0 million, six tenths of one percent below sales of $89.5 million from ongoing operations in September 1989.

Grossman's, a major retailer of lumber and building materials, operates 156 stores in nine Northeastern states and in California.

CONTACT: Grossman's Inc., Braintree
Stanley Berman, 617/848-0100 x2350

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NORWALK, CT (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Mountaintop Corp., marketers of Attakiska Alaskan Vodka, a new super-premium American vodka which has been rated as good or better than the most popular imports, has announced the successful completion of its first public stock offering.

The oversubscribed offering, comprised of 1.2 million units at an initial price of $3.50/unit, raised over $4 million to be used primarily in national marketing activites and the development of other proprietary products to enhance its product line.

Each unit consisted of two shares of common stock and two redeemable common stock purchase warrants. The company anticipates raising substantial additional funds from the exercise of its warrants.

Including shares outstanding before the public offering, the company now has a total of 5.1 million shares of common stock outstanding. The underwriter was Global America Inc. Mountaintop's NASDAQ common stock listing symbol is ''VODK''.

Attakiska Alaskan Vodka, based on an old Russian formula and made with pristine glacial ice, is produced and bottled in Anchorage, Alaska. Attakiska is expected to provide the first serious American competition to the popular imported brands that currently dominate the fast-growing, super-premium vodka category.

CONTACT: Mountaintop Corp., Norwalk
Myron Gilbert, 203/855-3090.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - TRW Inc. Monday reported higher sales for the period ended Sept. 30.

Net earnings and earnings per share declined.

Sales for the quarter rose 12 percent to $2.01 billion from $1.79 billion in the year-ago period. Operating profit decreased 10 percent to $129 million from $142 million in the comparable 1989 quarter primarily as a result of

lower margins in the soft North American automotive market, and a reduction in the intangible assets associated with the computer refurbishing business.

Third quarter operating profit in 1989 benefitted from a gain related to the 1988 truck steering gear recall. Net earnings declined 23 percent to $46 million compared to $60 million in the comparable 1989 period, and fully diluted earnings per share were 75 cents vs. 98 cents in the year-ago quarter.

Third quarter net earnings were adversely affected by lower operating income, higher interest expense due to borrowings for business growth in occupant restraints, European expansion and acquisitions in automotive electronic controls, and a higher tax rate. Net earnings in the third quarter included $10 million in previously unrecognized income from a Mexican automotive affiliate.

For the first nine months, sales were up 13 percent to $6.10 billion from $5.42 billion in the 1989 period. Operating profit remained even at $450 million. Net earnings in this year's first nine months were $166 million, down 17 percent from $199 million in the comparable 1989 period. Fully diluted earnings per share were $2.68 compared to $3.22 in the first nine months last year.

''While we are not satisfied with our operating performance in these unusually difficult markets, we remain committed to our longer term strategies and continue to make substantial investments to pursue these unique growth opportunities. Clearly, one of our toughest immediate challenges is to reduce operating costs and improve profit margins,'' said Joseph T. Gorman, chairman and chief executive officer.

''We are pleased to see the continued solid performance of our space and defense business and the increase in occupant restraint systems sales. However, our near-term outlook is tempered by the ongoing softness in several of our markets and uncertainties in the world economy.''

TRW provides advanced technology products and services for the automotive, space and defense and information markets. The company's 1989 sales totaled $7.34 billion.

CONTACT: TRW Inc., Cleveland
Donna L. Reynolds, 216/291-7179

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DALLAS (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Clini-Therm Corp. (NASDAQ:CLIN; PSE:CLI) announced that it has entered into loan and other agreements with Quest Medical Inc. of Dallas, under which Quest has agreed to lend to Clini-Therm $320,000 secured by a pledge of all of Clini-Therm's assets in favor of Quest,

and has been granted an option to participate in a further financial restructuring of Clini-Therm through a cooperative bankruptcy reorganization of Clini-Therm upon completion by Quest of a due diligence review currently anticipated to be completed on or about Oct. 26, 1990.

Clini-Therm will provide further information at the time Quest reaches its decision whether to participate in the financial restructuring of Clini-Therm.

Dallas-based Clini-Therm is a developer, manufacturer and marketer of FDA-approved high-technology hyperthermia equipment for the heat-treatment of cancer and other disorders.

CONTACT: Clini-Therm Corp., Dallas; John W. Jenkins, 214/669-2707 Howell Communications Inc., Dallas; Larry Howell, 214/340-9994

-30- 1232
#90288b0896 10/15/1990 ~Business Wire

GREENSBORO, NC (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Fieldcrest Cannon Inc. (NYSE: FLD) Monday announced the election of Director James Fitzgibbons of Brookline, Mass. to the positions of chairman and chief executive officer.

Fitzgibbons will assume his duties immediately.

Fitzgibbons is currently serving as president and chief operating officer of Amoskeag Co. in Boston, positions he will retain. Amoskeag has majority voting control of Fieldcrest Cannon Inc. common stock.

Fitzgibbons became president of Amoskeag in March 1987 after having served as executive vice president from Jan. 1, 1986 and chief operating officer from September 1986. Fitzgibbons is also chairman of the executive committee and chief executive officer of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Co. and serves as chairman and chief executive officer of the Arthur T. Walker Estate Corp., a privately held energy and transportation company in Western Pennsylvania.

The election of Fitzgibbons to chairman and chief executive officer allows Joseph B. Ely II to take a long-planned retirement from these positions. He will remain as chairman and chief executive officer of Amoskeag and as a director of Fieldcrest Cannon Inc.

Fieldcrest Cannon Inc. manufactures and markets bed and bath textile products under the Fieldcrest, Cannon, St. Mary's, Royal Family, Monticello, and private brand labels. Its carpet and rug division manufactures and markets high quality woven and tufted carpets under the Karastan and Bigelow brands.

CONTACT: Fieldcrest Cannon Inc., Greensboro K.W. Fraser Jr., 919/665-4353; O.L. Raines, 919/665-4342

-30- 1817

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NAUGATUCK, CT (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Eastern Co. Monday reported that its third quarter earnings were $726,000 or 39 cents per share on sales of $15,100,000 compared to $487,000 or 26 cents per share on $15,700,000 sales for last year's third quarter.

The Eastern Co. (AMEX:EML)
Statement of Consolidated Income (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended 13 Weeks		Nine Months Ended 39 Weeks	
	9/29/90	9/30/89-b	9/29/90	9/30/89-b
Net sales	$15,140,199	$15,667,412	$49,064,651	$49,819,773
Net income continued operations after tax	726,062	615,531	2,655,718	1,773,505
Net loss discontinued operations after tax-(a)	--	-128,518	-1,807,872	-246,801
Net income after tax	726,062	487,013	847,846	1,526,704
Net income per share:				
Continued operations	0.39	0.33	1.43	0.95
Total	0.39	0.26	0.46	0.82

(a)-Reflects the discontinuation of the Alloy Foundries malleable iron business. (Based on weighted average number of shares outstanding). b-Restated.

CONTACT: The Eastern Co., Naugatuck; John Dibble, 203/729-2255

-30- 1423

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RALEIGH, NCM (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of First Citizens BanchShares Inc. (NASDAQ: FCNCA) Monday declared a quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share on the class A and class B common stock. First Citizens' stock is traded Over-The-Counter, and class A is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FCNCA.

The dividend is payable Jan. 11, 1991 to shareholders of record Jan. 2, 1991.

CONTACT: First Citizens BancShares, Raleigh; Noel McLaughlin, 919/755-2716

-30- 679

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LAS VEGAS (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - TGN Inc. - The Gaming Network - Monday announced that the investment firm of Malone & Associates Inc. has become a market maker in the company's common stock.

Donald Mustain II, chairman of TGN Inc. stated, ''With the acquisition of KBLR-TV, Channel 39 in Las Vegas, TGN has become an operating company. The board of directors determined that this is an appropriate time to establish professional investment banking relationships with financial firms which can provide strength, stability and market liquidity to our company and its shareholders.

''We are pleased that Malone & Associates, a respected firm with nationwide offices, has joined with other firms which are market makers in over-the-counter trading.''

Headquartered in Denver, Malone & Associates Inc. operates 18 branch offices including locations in New York and Chicago and the states of Texas, California, Florida and Oregon. The company's South Florida office is located at 800 West Cypress Creek Road in Fort Lauderdale.

Malone & Associates Inc. is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD) and the Securities Investors' Protection Corp. (SIPC).

TGN Inc. - The Gaming Network - (formerly Celesta Corp.) is a development stage company planning to transmit televised entertainment and gaming news programming via satellite to subscribers and satellite dish owners.

CONTACT: J. Robin Scott Creative Consultants Inc.,
Davie, Fla.
James Farrell, 305/473-9770

-30- 1674

#90288b0922 10/15/1990 ~Business Wire

LITTLE ROCK, AR (OCT. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Environmental Systems Co. (NYSE:ESC) reported Monday that the company's board of directors, at a meeting held Oct. 9, 1990, declared the regular quarterly dividend of $.4375 per share on the company's Series A convertible preferred stock, payable Dec. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 14, 1990.

In other news, the company reported today the Arizona Governor's office has announced that the public comment period for the draft Part B, long-term permit issued to the company by the State of Arizona under the Resource Conservation Recovery Act, relating to the company's planned Estrella Point integrated hazardous waste treatment facility under development near Mobile, Ariz., has been further extended from Oct. 3, 1990, until Nov. 3, 1990.

The company was informed that this action was taken in order to afford additional time for the public to comment on the report made Oct. 1, 1990, by the Governor's Hazardous Waste Technical Advisory Committee, a panel of private citizens appointed in July 1990 to review and report on concerns in

Arizona associated with hazardous waste generation, transportation, storage and disposal in that state.

As a result of continuing delays in the project, the company estimates that even if the permit were issued in early 1991 without further delays or significant modifications, as to which the company has received no assurances, because of construction timetables the Arizona facility would not be able to begin operations before late 1991.

Environmental Systems Co. provides integrated hazardous waste management services to private industry, public utilities and governmental entities. These services include chemical analysis, collection, transportation, processing and incineration of hazardous waste.

CONTACT: Environmental Systems Co., Little Rock A. Reid Allison, 501/223-4151

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#90288c0003 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 12:

Vetco Gray Inc. (VETG); Issue postponed - security never quoted

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#90288c0004 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The following issue will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 15:

Schield Management Co. (SMCDC) to (SMCCC)

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#90288c0005 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:52 that trade in Itel Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol ITL.

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#90288c0006 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows International Converter Corp. lost $75,854 on revenues of $493,956 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $26,910 on revenues of $826,749 for the same period in 1989.

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#90288c0007 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Square Industries Inc.(TICKER: SQAI) lost $317,000, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $16.27 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $249,000, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $16.07 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 479
#90288c0008 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows American Recreation Centers (TICKER: AMRC) Employee Stock Ownership Plan on Sept. 28, 1990, purchased 100,000 shares of the company's common stock at a below-market price.

-30- 407
#90288c0009 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows L.A. Entertainment (TICKER: LAET) lost $1.13 million, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $2.48 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $5,259, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $2.14 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90288c0011 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:10 that trade in UAL Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol UAL.

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#90288c0012 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:47 that trade in American National Petroleum Co.(NASDAQ: ANPC) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 2 1/8, 2 1/4. The company is located in Houston, TX.

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#90288c0013 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:55 that trade in Boise Cascade Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the

NYSE, ticker symbol BCC.

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#90288c0014 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Midwesco Inc.(TICKER: MFRI), which owns 1.44 million shares or 51% of Midwesco Filter Resources Inc., the registrant, entered a loan and security agreement with LaSalle National Bank on Sept. 27, 1990.

Pursuant to the agreement, Midwesco pledged all its shares to LaSalle National Bank as collateral for a term loan and a revolving loan.

-30- 552
#90288c0015 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Western Publishing Group (TICKER: WPGI) earned $599,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $38.19 million for the one month ended Sept. 1, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $385,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $37.21 million for the one month ended Aug. 26, 1989.

Additionally, Western earned $3.79 million, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $250.32 million for the seven months ended Sept. 1, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $5.51 million, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $248.01 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90288c0016 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Wetjet International (TICKER: WJET) reported that effective Oct. 3, 1990, Arthur Andersen & Co. resigned as the company's auditors.

The resignation was a result of nonpayment and unsatisfactory disposition of Arthur Andersen's professional fees for services rendered in the audit of the company's financial statements for the year ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90288c0017 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Harding

Associates (TICKER: HRDG) earned $1.77 million, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $25.43 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.47 million, or $0.32 per share, on revenues of $23.64 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90288c0019 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows MCR Capital Inc. has announced it will purchase up to 2% of its common shares in a month, up to a maximum of 335,306 in a year.

This amount is 5% of the common shares issued and outstanding Oct. 1, 1990.

The company may purchase up to 2% of its Class A shares in a month, up to a maximum of 327,703 Class A shares in a year, being up to 5% of the Class A shares issued and outstanding Oct. 1, 1990.

The bid will begin Oct. 16, 1990, and end Oct. 15, 1991, or such date as the company completes its purchases under the bid or gives notice of termination.

-30- 776

#90288c0020 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows Consolidated Mercantile Corp.(TICKER: CSLM) may purchase up to 2% of its common shares in a month, to a maximum of 155,684 in a year, being up to 5% of issued and outstanding common shares Oct. 1, 1990.

The bid will begin as of Oct. 5, 1990, and terminate on Oct. 4, 1991, or on such date as the company completes its purchases under the bid or such date as it gives notice of termination.

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#90288c0021 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Yankee Gas Services Co., a subsidiary of Yankee Energy System Inc.(TICKER: YESS), the registrant, on Sept. 20, 1990, entered a settlement with the Department of Public Utility Control (DPUC) by which Yankee Gas may institute new rates effective Dec. 3, 1990.

The new rates would increase annual revenues by $15 million. Yankee Gas agreed not to seek another rate increase earlier than July 1, 1992, to take effect Jan. 1, 1993, unless its earned return on equity is below the allowed rate of return by more than three percentage points for four consecutive months.

The agreement sets a return on equity at 13%.

In other news, Yankee Energy System's board of directors agreed to change the company's fiscal year end from December 31 to September 30, effective in 1990.

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#90288c0022 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows First Federal Savings Bank earned $841,268, or $0.73 per share for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $889,471, or $0.77 per share, for fiscal 1989.

-30- 405

#90288c0023 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows DRX Inc.(TICKER: DTRH) lost $224,568, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $11,551 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $780,276, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $20,732 for the same period in 1989.

The company reports that for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, its primary source of revenue was interest income.

Revenues from future operations are dependent upon the successful development of mineral properties or from retained interests resulting from the sale and/or joint venturing of mineral properties.

The company's offices are located at 410 Seventeenth Street, Suite 2450, Denver, CO 80202, and its telephone number is (303) 534-6080.

-30- 904

#90288c0024 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Dynatem Inc.(TICKER: DYTM) earned $14,581, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $335,062 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $15,240, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $335,089 for the same period in 1989.

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#90288c0025 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Rospatch

Corp.(TICKER: RPCH) dismissed Arthur Andersen & Co. as its independent auditors on Sept. 10, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

On Oct. 3, 1990, the company engaged Coopers & Lybrand as its independent accountants.

-30- 629

#90288c0027 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Second National Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: SNFS) on Sept. 21, 1990, citing the general deterioration of the mid-Atlantic commercial real estate market, increased its specific loan loss reserves by $8.75 million.

The bank anticipates there may be a further deterioration in the real estate market in the future, and will increase the general loan loss reserves by an additional $8.75 million by monthly charges of $486,111 over the next 18 months.

The current allocation of $16.6 million to reserves is equivalent to about $2.25 per share, the company reports, on a pre-tax basis.

-30- 822

#90288c0028 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in UAL Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol UAL. Trading was resumed at 11:27.

-30- 328

#90288c0029 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Boise Cascade Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol BCC. Trading was resumed at 11:32.

-30- 348

#90288c0030 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY W.S. FRIEDMAN OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 2,104,904 SHARES (33.10%) OF

AMERICAN REALTY TR (TICKER: ARB) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

W.S. Friedman purchased 628,600 shares from Aug. 6 to Sept. 28, 1990 for $2.38 to $3.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment and to better align the interests of NRA with the shareholders of the Trust.

-30- 564
#90288c0031 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY P.L. CONNOLLY OWNS 675,986 SHARES (26.90%) OF COURIER DISPATCH GROUP (TICKER: CDGI) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

P.L. Connolly has agreed to sell his entire stake to John H. Harland Co. for $4 per share pursuant to an Oct. 2, 1990 purchase agreement.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

P.L. Connolly purchased 20,300 shares from Aug. 7 to Sept. 13, 1990 for $77,642.

PURPOSE:

Sale of all shares of the company.

-30- 642
#90288c0032 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

E. SHAPIRO OWNS 1,038,904 SHARES (38.20%) OF NUVISION INC (TICKER: NUVI) OF FLINT, MI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

E. Shapiro purchased 30,300 shares from Sept. 18 to Oct. 10, 1990 for $3.50 to $4 per share.

-30- 397
#90288c0033 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

EDISON BROTHERS APPAREL STORES INC OWNS 1,000 SHARES (100.00%) OF WEBSTER CLOTHES INC (TICKER: WEBS) OF BALTIMORE, MD.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Edison Brothers Apparel Stores Inc. acquired 1,000 shares on Oct. 4, 1990 through a merger of its EBAS Acquisition Corp. subsidiary with Webster Clothes Inc. in exchange for $6 per share of Webster common, of which $.50 per share was deposited with the escrow agent pursuant to the escrow agreement.

-30- 648
#90288c0035 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWNS 1,831,500 SHARES (13.90%) OF LAMSON & SESSIONS CO (TICKER: LMS) OF CLEVELAND, OH.

LATEST TRANSACTION: Industrial Equity Pacific LTD purchased 134,000 shares from Aug. 8 to Oct. 10, 1990 for $4.38 to $5.06 per share.

-30- 488
#90288c0036 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY V.R. TAYLOR OWNS 2,175,000 SHARES (5.20%) OF HART INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: HRTI) OF LAGUNA HILLS, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION: V.R. Taylor purchased 90,000 shares from Oct. 1-10, 1990 for $.16 to $.19 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 455
#90288c0037 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY N. PELTZ OF WEST PALM BEACH, FL OWNS 17,180,260 SHARES (30.00%) OF AVERY INC (TICKER: AVRY) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 26, 1990, N. Peltz agreed to merge with NPM Acquisition Corp., which is wholly-owned by N. Peltz, with Avery Inc. being the surviving corporation. If the merger is consummated, each shares of Avery Inc.'s stock held by N. Peltz will be cancelled and the remaining shares will be converted into the right to receive $.43 in cash. All outstanding shares of NPMAC will be converted into the number of shares of the issuer outstanding prior to the merger. After the merger, N. Peltz will cause the surviving corporation repay the entire outstanding amount of certain senior notes of Avery Inc. held by N. Peltz, establish a cash balance to liquidate existing and future expenses and liabilities and pay a cash dividend of $6.5 million to N. Peltz.

PURPOSE:

Agreement and plan of merger.

-30- 1143
#90288c0038 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

ANNOUNCEMENT:

JTN Acquisition announced on Oct. 11, 1990 that an appeals court has agreed to hear an expedited appeal by affiliates of JTN from an order of the District Court denying their motion to require the holding of a new 1990 annual meeting of Justin Industries Inc.(TICKER: JSTN). The hearing is set for Nov. 7, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Intent to solicit proxies.

-30- 584
#90288c0040 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

TRANSAMERICA COMMERCIAL FINANCE CORP OWNS 245,498 SHARES (4.30%) OF ALLIED PRODUCTS CORP (TICKER: ADP) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 2, 1990, Transamerica Commercial Finance Corp. acquired 171,414 shares as a result of Allied's exercise of its right under an agreement, dated as of June 1, 1990, to satisfy in stock rather than cash certain dividend and redemption obligations it has to TCFC as holder of shares of Allied's series B variable rate cumulative preferred stock. Prior to the sale of 45,500 shares, the filer held 289,998 shares, representing 5.1 percent.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Transamerica Commercial Finance Corp. sold 45,500 shares from Oct. 2-8, 1990 for $3.95 to $4.34 per share.

-30- 932
#90288c0041 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Hanson PLC announced on Oct. 11, 1990 that Hanson Industries has decided against proceeding with the pricing of its secondary offering of Hanson PLC's common stock next week.

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#90288c0042 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FREEDOM FINANCIAL CORP OF LOUISVILLE, KY OWNS 58,300 SHARES (2.80%) OF REALTY SOUTH INVESTORS INC (TICKER: RSI) OF MARIETTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a Sept. 28, 1990 agreement, Freedom Financial Corp. agreed to purchased 300,000 shares from RRH Capital Management for $6 per share on Oct. 15, 1990. Based upon a due diligence review of Realty South Investors Inc., Freedom Financial Corp. has determined not to exercise its right to purchase the 300,000 shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Freedom Financial Corp. purchased 5,000 shares on Sept. 24-26, 1990 for $3.13 to $3.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 853
#90288c0044 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 5, 1990, Eastern Shore Consolidated Industries Inc. notified MHP Machines Inc.(TICKER: MHPI) that the foregoing agreement was being terminated as of Oct. 5, 1990 because of ESC's determination that a materially adverse impact on the business of MHP had occurred, relating to the cancellation of MHP's banking facilities by Traders Trust Co.

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#90288c0045 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Itel Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ITL. Trading was resumed at 11:35.

-30- 332
#90288c0046 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:01 that trade in American Confectionary Corp.(NASDAQ: CNDY) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 3/4, 15/16. The company is located in Rancho Cordova, CA.

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#90288c0047 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - A top administration official said today soaring oil prices will not cause a recession but will result in continued slow economic growth through mid-1991.

"Our best estimate is the economy will grow weakly in the fourth quarter and first quarter of next year," said Michael Boskin, chairman of the president's Council of Economic Advisers.

Boskin added the administration expects the Gross National Product will be "a little below 1 percent in 1990 and little above 1 percent in 1991."

Boskin said the recent oil price jump, which has seen the cost of a barrel of oil soar to nearly $40 in the aftermath of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, will cause a short-term rise in the inflation rate.

"There will be a temporary increase in inflation as oil prices work their way through the economy," Boskin said, addressing the 10th annual convention of the American Stock Exchange at the Mayflower Hotel here. "Most likely there will be a temporary rise in inflation, after the energy crisis abates, it will get down to its long-term level."

Despite the general economic slowdown, Boskin said certain regions and sectors are growing at a steady pace.

"As our economy grows slowly, we have seen strengths in exports and consumer services," Boskin said. "Housing is weak, auto sales are weak. New England and the Northeast have slowed abruptly. The Northwest and farming economy are doing fairly well."

In order to prevent a further deterioration of the economy, Boskin said it is critical that a budget deficit program is enacted.

"The single most important thing we can do is to get a good, multi-enforceable deficit cutting package now," he said. "This gives the Federal Reserve elbow room to lower interest rates without sparking inflation fears, assuming the oil shock is of limited duration."

First data on third quarter GNP will be released at the end of the month and Boskin is expecting positive results.

"It will probably grow a little over 1 percent in the third quarter," he said.

-30- 2309
#90288c0048 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Robert W. Jennings, president of Ryan-Murphy Inc.(TICKER: RMII), announced that company revenues for the first time have exceeded $2.0 million per month.

To date, the company has had aggregate annual revenues of $7.26 million, with a net profit of $40,452.

During the current fiscal year, Ryan-Murphy sold two "Good Earth Machines", the company reports, and has three such machines working on company contracts.

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#90288c0049 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Dynamics Corp. of America (DCA) (TICKER: DYA) approved an agreement with Gabelli Funds Inc. and GAMCO Investors Inc., by which these entities may acquire up to 25% of the outstanding share of DCA or 970,350 shares, whichever is greater.

The effect of the board's approval of the agreement is to prevent the triggering of DCA's shareholders rights plan.

Under this plan, the rights to purchase preferred shares now held by shareholders would have become exercisable if the Gabelli entitites' ownership of DCA shares were to equal or exceed 20% of the outstanding shares.

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#90288c0050 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Molokai Ranch Ltd.(TICKER: MKAI) has announced that in connection with the disposition of all shares of the company beneficially owned by D.S. Kennedy & Co., the president and senior vice-president of the company, respectively, Donald S. Kennedy and William E. McCallum, have resigned as directors effective Sept. 30, 1990.

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#90288c0052 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Balfour Maclaine International Ltd., a subsidiary of Balfour Maclaine Corp., (TICKER: BML) has signed a letter of intent to sell certain assets and the operating business of its metal ore and concentrates department to a third party.

Balfour expects to realize between $11-$14 million in connection with the sale of these assets, and the liquidation of other assets of the department.

The transaction, subject to a number of contingencies, is expected to close

Nov. 1, 1990.

-30- 711

#90288c0053 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Chartwell Group Ltd.(TICKER: CTWL) announced its subsidiary, Paul Hanson Co. Inc. (PHC) (TICKER: PHCN) sold on Sept. 14, 1990, substantially all its business and assets to Kostka of North America Inc.

On Sept. 20, 1990, Chartwell and another wholly-owned subsidiary, International Contract Furnishings Inc. (ICF), entered into an agreement to sell substantially all the assets of ICF to ICFUV Corp. by Oct. 29, 1990.

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#90288c0054 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Maryland Federal Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: MFSL) earned $910,000, or $0.30 per share for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $552,000, or $0.18 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90288c0055 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Thermal Exploration Co.(TICKER: TECC) lost $460,056, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $461,513 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $97,862, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $446,440 for fiscal 1989.

-30- 475

#90288c0056 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:55 that trade in US Energy Corp.(NASDAQ: USEG) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 8 3/8. The company is located in Riverton, WY.

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#90288c0057 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:09 that trade in Wasatch Education Systems Corp. (NASDAQ: WESC) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 1 7/8, 2 1/8. The company is located in Salt Lake City, UT.

-30- 383
#90288c0058 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

N. HEVRONY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, CA OWNS 753,750 SHARES (4.40%) OF UTILITECH INC (TICKER: UTLL) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

N. Hevrony and Jacqueline B. Cotsen have ceased to act as a group.

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#90288c0060 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 1,417,348 SHARES (15.90%) OF INTERTAN INC (TICKER: ITN) OF FT WORTH, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 18, 1990 and Oct. 9, 1990, Harris Associates LP sold 132,200 shares and purchased 46,700 shares at $22.01 to $24.13 per share. From Sept. 21 to Oct. 5, 1990, accounts holding 3,300 shares were transferred from Harris Associates LP's control.

-30- 600
#90288c0061 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 1,657,450 SHARES (15.66%) OF VISTA CHEMICAL CO (TICKER: VC) OF HOUSTON, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 6, 1990 and Oct. 5, 1990, Harris Associates LP sold 232,650 shares and purchased 49,200 shares at $21.01 to $35.13 per share. From Aug. 24

to Sept. 21, 1990, accounts holding 14,400 shares were transferred from Harris Associates LP's control.

-30- 611
#90288c0062 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

F.S. HERRMAN OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 638,700 SHARES (22.00%) OF DYNAMIC SCIENCES INTL INC.(TICKER: DYNS)

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90288c0063 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

F.S. HERRMAN OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,394,588 SHARES (11.00%) OF DYNAMIC SCIENCES INTL INC (TICKER: DYNS).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90288c0064 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 1,439,955 SHARES (12.14%) OF THE TORO CO (TICKER: TTC) OF BLOOMINGTON, MN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 9, 1990 and Oct. 5, 1990, Harris Associates LP sold 25,000 shares and purchased 183,100 shares at $12.01 to $22.76 per share. From Aug. 10 to Oct. 5, 1990, accounts holding 9,200 shares were transferred from Harris Associates LP's control.

-30- 591
#90288c0065 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:00 that trade in Bankers First Corp. (NASDAQ: BNKF) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 7/8. The company is located in St. Augusta, GA.

-30- 346
#90288c0066 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:05 that trade in Pioneer Systems has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol PAE.

-30- 310
#90288c0068 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:32 that trade in American Confectionary Corp.(NASDAQ: CNDY) has been resumed. The first bid was 3/8; down 3/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 365
#90288c0069 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:05 that trade in Clini-Therm Corp.(NASDAQ: CLIN) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 1/8, 5/32. The company is located in Dallas, TX.

-30- 344
#90288c0070 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Pioneer Systems has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange ticker symbol PAE. Trading was resumed at 14;47.

-30- 341
#90288c0071 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:21 that trade in Alliance New Europe Fund Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol ANE.

-30- 337
#90288c0072 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 16:10 that trade in Bankers First Corp.(NASDAQ: BNKF) has been resumed. The first sale was 4 1/2; up 5/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 349
#90288c0073 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) COMTEX - Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman Richard Breeden announced today his agency will host an intensive two-week seminar next March on the workings of U.S. securities markets for government officials from Eastern Europe and South America.

Entitled the International Institute for Securities Market Development, the course is designed to help East European nations evolve from centrally planned to market oriented economies and encourage South American countries to adopt Western-style stock exchanges.

"It's a two-week classroom structure with a framework of how U.S. markets operate," explained Breeden. "The faculty will be from the SEC, Federal Reserve, Treasury and World Bank."

The SEC chief, in remarks before the American Stock Exchange convention here, said he would be signing an agreement with Mexico later this week which would concentrate primarily on enforcement efforts.

"The agreement will exchange enforcement data and we'll work with our Mexican colleagues to develop markets in Mexico and South America," Breeden said.

In response to a question about a future SEC role in regulating stock index futures, which presently fall under the domain of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Breeden used his pulpit to rail against the present regulatory structure.

"The current system in which the U.S. fragments oversight leads to several damaging costs," Breeden said. "A single regulator would help to detect intermarket manipulation."

"I don't believe any market built on 98 percent leverage is a strong and stable market," Breeden added, referring to margins, or good faith money needed to trade in the futures markets.

Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady and Breeden have led the fight for passage of a bill introduced by the administration which would transfer control of stock index futures from the CFTC to the SEC and provide federal oversight of margin requirements on stock index futures. The two have been frequent visitors to Capitol Hill, arguing passage is needed to prevent market volatility, restore individual investor confidence in the stock markets, and guard against manipulation and fraud in transactions between the stock and futures markets.

The measure in its present form appears to have little chance of approval, meeting stiff resistance from most members of congressional agricultural committees, who counter the legislation would unnecessarily disrupt the markets, fail to reduce market volatility, take business away from the futures markets, and endanger commercial market liquidity by requiring federal regulators to set margins.

Stock index futures allow investors to bet on the movement of a basket of stocks without buying the actual securities. Through computerized trading strategies, investors attempt to profit from the difference in the price of futures contracts on stock indexes and the corresponding stocks.

Speaking to reporters after his address, Breeden expressed frustration over the margin issue.

"The leverage question is utterly without justification," he said. "There is no public oversight whatsover of leverage practices of the stock index futures market."

Asked if his aggressive style hindered his lobbying efforts on Capitol Hill, Breeden responded, "I don't mind having it said I'm aggressive if that addresses a problem that risks 60 million people (who invest in the equities markets)."

-30- 3712
#90288c0074 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY A. FRIED & CO OWNS 391,781 SHARES (13.10%) OF PORTEC INC (TICKER: POR) OF OAK BROOK, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Upon Mr. Fried's election as chairman of the board, he was granted an option to acquire 180,000 shares of common stock of which 60,000 options currently are exercisable at an exercise price of $6.625 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 20, 1990 through Sept. 28, 1990, A. Fried & Co. purchased 50,800 shares at a price of $3.63 to $4.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Exercisable option.

-30- 716
#90288c0076 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

R.M. STRAND OWNS 57,491 SHARES (3.10%) OF REXWORKS INC (TICKER: REXW) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.M. Strand is no longer a trustee of Rexworks Inc.'s employee stock plan and is no longer the beneficial owner of the shares held by such plan.

-30- 445
#90288c0077 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.E. RAMSER JR OWNS 76,502 SHARES (5.17%) OF FIRST KNOX BANC CORP OF MT. VERNON, OH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.E. Ramser purchased 188 shares on Sept. 11, 1990 for $41.75 per share and 5,000 8.5 percent subordinated debentures on Oct. 2, 1990 for $102 per debenture.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 500
#90288c0078 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

SWISS REINSURANCE CO OWNS 13,781,006 SHARES (51.00%) OF CIS TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: CISI) OF TULSA, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Although, CIS and SwissRe agreed to let the option agreement expire on Oct. 1, 1990, Swiss Re is currently reviewing offers received for the shares and intends to continue working with CIS to arrange a sale of the 13,781,006 shares of CIS common stock.

PURPOSE:

Expiration of option agreement.

-30- 641
#90288c0079 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

CAISSE DE DEPOT ET PLACEMENT DU QUEBEC OWNS 3,189,173 SHARES (11.61%) OF NORCEN ENERGY RESOURCES LTD (TICKER: NCN) OF CALGARY, ALBERTA, CANADA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 25 through Oct. 2, 1990, Caisse De Depot Et Placement Du Quebec purchased 283,400 shares at a price of $27.69 to $27.81 Cdn.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 553
#90288c0080 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Balder granted the purchasers an irrevocable proxy with respect to the shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Pursuant to a stock purchase agreement dated Oct. 3, 1990, Balder sold all of the 1,071,125 shares for $10 per share through Stephens Inc., as agent for Jackson Stephens, Wilton R. Stephens and certain undisclosed principals.

-30- 523

#90288c0081 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY FS GARNET ASSOCIATES OWNS 741,000 SHARES (8.56%) OF GARNET RESOURCES CORP (TICKER: GARN) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 13, 1990, Goldman transferred the Goldman securities to the New Solomon Trust for a purchase price of $239,250, consisting of $36,250 in cash and the assumption of certain indebtedness of Goldman to from certain trusts established for the benefit of the lineal descendants of the late Minda Bronfman de Gunzburg.

-30- 676
#90288c0082 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 30, 1990, J. GIBBS, VP OF BUTTES GAS & OIL CO.(TICKER: BGOI) BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,000.

-30- 307
#90288c0084 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, C.O. REDMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN COLLOID CO. (TICKER: ACOL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,344.

-30- 340
#90288c0085 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, P.D. MEEK, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), SOLD 4,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $73.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,405.

-30- 331
#90288c0086 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, PETROFINA DELAWARE INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN

PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), BOUGHT 4,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $73.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,387,456.

-30- 363
#90288c0087 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, A. BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H BULK CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BULK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90288c0088 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, A. BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H BULK CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BULK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90288c0089 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, A. BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H BULK CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BULK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 155,000.

-30- 334
#90288c0090 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, M.S. HUDNER, PRES. OF B & H BULK CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BULK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0093 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, V.L. WERNER, DIR. OF COUNTY BANCORP BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,710.

-30- 285
#90288c0094 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, K.D. ORTEGA, DIR. OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK CO. (TICKER: DRM) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,651.

-30- 310
#90288c0095 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 20, 1990, L.E. BOREN, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST CITIZENS BANCORP. (IN) BOUGHT 3,086 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 128,924.

-30- 320
#90288c0096 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, C.D. SILVER, BEN. OWNER OF FREDERICKSBURG NATIONAL BANCORP BOUGHT 2,388 SHARES AT $180.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,086.

-30- 335
#90288c0097 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, S.G. HUMMEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF OMEGA FINANCIAL CORP. SOLD 600 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,017.

-30- 316
#90288c0098 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, D.L. WARFEL, VP OF OMEGA FINANCIAL CORP. SOLD 447 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,344.

-30- 289
#90288c0099 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 20, 1990, R.E. AGAN, PRES. OF HARDINGE BROTHERS INC (TICKER: HDNG) BOUGHT 311 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,806.

-30- 311
#90288c0101 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 20, 1990, M.L. GIBSON, OFFICER OF HARDINGE BROTHERS INC (TICKER: HDNG) BOUGHT 311 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,177.

-30- 321
#90288c0102 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, E.T. SHIVERS, VP OF PUBLIX SUPER MARKETS INC. SOLD 250 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,615.

-30- 300
#90288c0103 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, J.M. WILKINS, CHAIRMAN OF SILCO INVESTORS CORP. BOUGHT 4,526 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,491.

-30- 306
#90288c0104 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 17, 1990, V.M. MIDKIFF, PRES. OF UPTOWNER INNS INC. BOUGHT 35,630 SHARES AT $0.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 263,092.

-30- 302
#90288c0105 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, W.D. FRAME, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. (TICKER: DREAF), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90288c0106 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, W.D. FRAME, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. (TICKER: DREAF), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90288c0107 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, W.D. FRAME, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. (TICKER: DREAF), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90288c0109 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, W.D. FRAME, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. (TICKER: DREAF), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c0110 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, W.D. FRAME, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. (TICKER: DREAF), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c0111 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, W.D. FRAME, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. (TICKER: DREAF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c0112 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 17, 1990, W.D. FRAME, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. (TICKER: DREAF), SOLD 2,747 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c0113 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 17, 1990, W.D. FRAME, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. (TICKER: DREAF), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c0114 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, W.D. FRAME, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. (TICKER: DREAF), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c0115 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, W.D. FRAME, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DRECO ENERGY SERVICES LTD. (TICKER: DREAF), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,500.

-30- 339
#90288c0117 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, N.R. KIMMEL, DIR. OF FIRST CITIZENS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCIT), SOLD 27,755 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,120.

-30- 337
#90288c0118 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 3, 1990, A.A. VALLIANI, VP OF ALTOS COMPUTER SYSTEMS (TICKER: ALTO) SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90288c0119 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 5, 1990, A.A. VALLIANI, VP OF ALTOS COMPUTER SYSTEMS (TICKER: ALTO) SOLD 686 SHARES AT $8.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90288c0120 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, W.J. BARRETT, CHAIRMAN OF SHELTER COMPONENTS INC.

(TICKER: SST) BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90288c0121 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, F.W. DENIUS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SOUTHERN UNION CO. (TICKER: SUG) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c0122 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, F.W. DENIUS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SOUTHERN UNION CO.(TICKER: SUG) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 329
#90288c0123 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, PAWNEE PETROLEUM CO, BEN. OWNER OF TIDE WEST OIL CO. (TICKER: TIDE) BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90288c0125 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, PAWNEE PETROLEUM CO, BEN. OWNER OF TIDE WEST OIL CO. (TICKER: TIDE) BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90288c0126 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, PAWNEE PETROLEUM CO, BEN. OWNER OF TIDE WEST OIL CO. (TICKER: TIDE) BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,071,500.

-30- 340
#90288c0127 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, S. TELSEY, PRES. OF TRIUMPH CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: TRPH) BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $0.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 337,500.

-30- 313
#90288c0128 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, D.R. HUNTER, PRES. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTII), SOLD 16,668 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 392,732.

-30- 335
#90288c0129 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 19, 1990, C.A. DAVIS, DIR. OF MEDIA GENERAL INC. (TICKER:MEG), SOLD 200 CLASS A SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90288c0130 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 19, 1990, C.A. DAVIS, DIR. OF MEDIA GENERAL INC. (TICKER: MEG), SOLD 800 CLASS A SHARES AT $22.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90288c0131 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, M.D. PICKETT, PRES. OF MERISEL INC. (TICKER: MSEL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c0185 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, CAPITAL PARTNERS INC, BEN. OWNER OF SECURITY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: SCC), BOUGHT 1,295,625 SHARES AT $0.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,437,125.

-30- 356
#90288c0186 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, CP ACQUISITION LP 1, BEN. OWNER OF SECURITY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: SCC), BOUGHT 1,184,750 SHARES AT $0.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,326,250.

-30- 356
#90288c0187 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, FGS INC, BEN. OWNER OF SECURITY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: SCC), SOLD 155,414 SHARES AT $0.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,036,086.

-30- 323
#90288c0188 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, B.D. FITZGERALD, CHAIRMAN OF SECURITY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: SCC), SOLD 44,539 SHARES AT $0.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,146,961.

-30- 339
#90288c0189 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, B.D. FITZGERALD TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF SECURITY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: SCC), BOUGHT 1,295,625 SHARES AT $0.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,437,125.

-30- 360
#90288c0190 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, A.G. GEBAUER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SECURITY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: SCC), BOUGHT 1,304,710 SHARES AT $0.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,446,210.

-30- 359
#90288c0191 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, F.J. SOKOL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SECURITY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: SCC), BOUGHT 1,241,954 SHARES AT $0.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,383,454.

-30- 355
#90288c0193 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, P.B. GERLACH, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF VISION TEN INC. SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,270,800.

-30- 346
#90288c0194 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, R.K. GERLACH, CHAIRMAN OF VISION TEN INC. SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,270,800.

-30- 314
#90288c0195 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 19, 1990, B.J. FAXON, PRES. OF FALL RIVER GAS CO.(TICKER: FALL) SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $39.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,945.

-30- 308
#90288c0196 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, B.J. FAXON, PRES. OF FALL RIVER GAS CO.(TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,945.

-30- 304
#90288c0197 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 14, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 135 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284

#90288c0198 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 19, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c0199 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 20, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $39.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c0201 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 117,059.

-30- 325
#90288c0202 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, H.B. HELMSLEY, BEN. OWNER OF INVESTMENT PROPERTY ASSOC. BOUGHT 666 SHARES AT $82.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0203 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 19, 1990, H.B. HELMSLEY, BEN. OWNER OF INVESTMENT PROPERTY ASSOC. BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $82.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 240,053.

-30- 331
#90288c0204 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, L.M. HELMSLEY, BEN. OWNER OF INVESTMENT PROPERTY ASSOC. BOUGHT 666 SHARES AT $82.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0205 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 14, 1990, L.M. HELMSLEY, BEN. OWNER OF INVESTMENT PROPERTY ASSOC. BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $82.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 240,053.

-30- 329
#90288c0206 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, R.P. SHANEWISE, PRES. OF CONJECTURE INC. BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $0.11 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 214,768.

-30- 296
#90288c0207 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 14, 1990, W.J. BARRETT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TGC INDUSTRIES INC BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,329.

-30- 308
#90288c0209 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ELIAS F GHANEM, DIR. OF AMERICAN BANCORP. OF NEVADA (TICKER: ABCN), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,968.

-30- 337
#90288c0210 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, EDWARD D SMITH, DIR. OF AMERICAN BANCORP. OF NEVADA (TICKER: ABCN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,050.

-30- 337
#90288c0211 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, CLAUDINE B WILLIAMS, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN BANCORP. OF NEVADA (TICKER: ABCN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 142,509.

-30- 356
#90288c0212 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, AMERICAN BANKERS INS GROUP ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSUR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 357
#90288c0213 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, AMERICAN BANKERS INS GROUP ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSUR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 357
#90288c0214 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, AMERICAN BANKERS INS GROUP ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSUR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 357
#90288c0215 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, AMERICAN BANKERS INS GROUP ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSUR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 357
#90288c0217 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, AMERICAN BANKERS INS GROUP ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSUR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,656,162.

-30- 396
#90288c0218 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, CURTIS INVESTMENT CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC.(GA) (TICKER: ABP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90288c0219 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, CURTIS INVESTMENT CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC.(GA) (TICKER: ABP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,659,307.

-30- 372
#90288c0220 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JOHN B CARLEY, PRES. OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 276,200.

-30- 310
#90288c0221 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, STANLEY R RAWN JR, CHAIRMAN OF ADOBE RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: ADB), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90288c0222 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, STANLEY R RAWN JR, CHAIRMAN OF ADOBE RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: ADB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,230.

-30- 341
#90288c0223 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JAMES A HARMON, DIR. OF AMES DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: ADD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c0225 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JAMES A HARMON, DIR. OF AMES DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: ADD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c0226 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JAMES A HARMON, DIR. OF AMES DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: ADD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,210.

-30- 331
#90288c0227 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, KATHY ADDINGTON, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADDINGTON RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: ADDR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 341
#90288c0228 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, KATHY ADDINGTON, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADDINGTON RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: ADDR), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,153,324.

-30- 382
#90288c0229 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LARRY C ADDINGTON, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADDINGTON RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: ADDR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 345
#90288c0230 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LARRY C ADDINGTON, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADDINGTON RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: ADDR), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,153,324.

-30- 384
#90288c0231 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, RAY STATA, PRES. OF ANALOG DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ADI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c0233 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, RAY STATA, PRES. OF ANALOG DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ADI), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500,640.

-30- 308
#90288c0234 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, RAY STATA, PRES. OF ANALOG DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ADI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,067,095.

-30- 310
#90288c0235 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, RALPH BRUCE, DIR. OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90288c0236 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DONALD B WALKER, DIR. OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0237 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DONALD B WALKER, DIR. OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 136 SHARES AT $22.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90288c0238 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, DONALD B WALKER, DIR. OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0239 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, DIR. OF ALEXANDER ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: AEOK), BOUGHT 55,200 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0241 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOE G BROOKS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADVANCED ENVIRONMENTAL RECYCLING TECH INC. (TICKER: AERT), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $1.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,750.

-30- 411
#90288c0242 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ROBERT L GLASER, PRES. OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90288c0243 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ROBERT L GLASER, PRES. OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES

INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 341
#90288c0244 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GEORGE R JENSEN JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90288c0245 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GEORGE R JENSEN JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 671,000.

-30- 351
#90288c0246 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GEORGE R JENSEN JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 472,500.

-30- 353
#90288c0247 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT H AHMANSON, DIR. OF AHMANSON (H.F.) & CO. (TICKER: AHM), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0249 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICANA HOTELS & REALTY CORP. (TICKER: AHR), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 601,200.

-30- 365

#90288c0250 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO.
(TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0251 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO.
(TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0252 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO.
(TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0253 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO.
(TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 6,400 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0254 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO.
(TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0255 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO.
(TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 11,416 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289

#90288c0257 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO.
(TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0258 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO.
(TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90288c0259 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO.
(TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 2,199 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0260 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO.
(TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0261 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO.
(TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0262 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO.
(TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 440 SHARES AT $5.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 283

#90288c0263 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0265 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 08, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0266 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 16, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 959 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90288c0267 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0268 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,075,851.

-30- 330
#90288c0269 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90288c0270 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0271 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90288c0273 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,166,631.

-30- 330
#90288c0274 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0275 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,121,167.

-30- 330
#90288c0276 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0277 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0278 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 2,199 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0279 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0281 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 440 SHARES AT $5.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0282 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c0283 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 8,200 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 173,505.

-30- 360
#90288c0284 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0285 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0286 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0287 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 6,400 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0289 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 11,416 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c0290 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY

INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 127,766.

-30- 360
#90288c0291 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 08, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0292 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 16, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 959 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0293 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0294 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,450.

-30- 359
#90288c0295 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0297 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0298 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0299 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0300 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0301 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 179,230.

-30- 360
#90288c0302 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, I T CORLEY, VP OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 292
#90288c0303 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ALBERT B ROSENBAUM III, OFFICER OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 319
#90288c0305 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1987, STEWART D BLAIR, DIR. OF AMERICAN MOBILE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AMSE), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $7.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c0306 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1987, STEWART D BLAIR, DIR. OF AMERICAN MOBILE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AMSE), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 332
#90288c0307 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c0308 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c0309 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0310 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c0311 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,403,540.

-30- 335
#90288c0313 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0314 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90288c0315 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0316 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,403,540.

-30- 329
#90288c0317 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DAVID G ELLER, DIR. OF AMERICAN NATIONAL PETROLEUM CO.(DE) (TICKER: ANPC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 344
#90288c0318 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0319 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0321 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0322 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0323 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW

ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0324 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90288c0325 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0326 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0327 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90288c0329 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, INGRID UROSHEVICH, BEN. OWNER OF ALPHA SOLARCO INC. (TICKER: ASCO), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,558,470.

-30- 336
#90288c0330 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, INGRID UROSHEVICH, BEN. OWNER OF ALPHA SOLARCO INC. (TICKER: ASCO), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,545,228.

-30- 336
#90288c0331 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JAMES D DOERING, VP OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,550.

-30- 303
#90288c0332 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOHN J HARVEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0333 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JOHN J HARVEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0334 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHN J HARVEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 119,719.

-30- 328
#90288c0335 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, LAWRENCE D LEVIN, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90288c0337 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, EDWIN G RYMEK, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90288c0338 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, EDWIN G RYMEK, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,669.

-30- 313
#90288c0339 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, EDWIN G RYMEK, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90288c0340 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, EDWIN G RYMEK, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90288c0341 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, EDWIN G RYMEK, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c0342 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, EDWIN G RYMEK, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270

#90288c0343 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, EDWIN G RYMEK, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c0345 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROBERT J MARINO, VP OF AT & E CORP. (TICKER: ATW), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90288c0346 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROBERT J MARINO, VP OF AT & E CORP. (TICKER: ATW), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90288c0347 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 09, 1990, BARNEY DREYFUSS, DIR. OF ARIZONA LAND INCOME CORP. (TICKER: AZL), BOUGHT 285 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90288c0348 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, BARNEY DREYFUSS, DIR. OF ARIZONA LAND INCOME CORP. (TICKER: AZL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90288c0349 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, BARNEY DREYFUSS, DIR. OF ARIZONA LAND INCOME CORP. (TICKER: AZL), BOUGHT 325 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281

#90288c0350 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BARNEY DREYFUSS, DIR. OF ARIZONA LAND INCOME CORP. (TICKER: AZL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,605.

-30- 325
#90288c0351 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 12,275 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 819,262.

-30- 326
#90288c0353 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, GEORGE C SCOTT, DIR. OF BERGSTROM CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BEM), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $61.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 310
#90288c0354 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JUDSON R GROSVENOR, DIR. OF FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: BEN), SOLD 28,563 SHARES AT $26.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 873,132.

-30- 331
#90288c0355 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, WILLIAM E BUTLER, DIR. OF BEARINGS INC. (TICKER: BER), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 296
#90288c0356 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JOHN C DANNEMILLER JR, PRES. OF BEARINGS INC. (TICKER: BER), BOUGHT 550 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 309
#90288c0357 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, GOLDMAN SACHS & CO, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER HUGHES INC. (TICKER: BHI), BOUGHT 4,900 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90288c0358 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, GOLDMAN SACHS & CO, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER HUGHES INC. (TICKER: BHI), SOLD 3,200 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c0359 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GOLDMAN SACHS & CO, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER HUGHES INC. (TICKER: BHI), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c0361 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, BRUCE B BRUNDAGE, SHAREHOLDER OF BLACK HILLS CORP. (TICKER: BKH), SOLD 131 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,400.

-30- 324
#90288c0362 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOHN R BROWN, OFFICER OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), SOLD 927 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c0363 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HERB M MEE JR, PRES. OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC),

SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90288c0364 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, HERB M MEE JR, PRES. OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90288c0365 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, HERB M MEE JR, PRES. OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90288c0366 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, HERB M MEE JR, PRES. OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90288c0367 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, HERB M MEE JR, PRES. OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 89,323.

-30- 298
#90288c0369 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, MICHAEL L TAYLOR, OFFICER OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), SOLD 250 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90288c0370 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MICHAEL L TAYLOR, OFFICER OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER:

BOC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 719.

-30- 301
#90288c0371 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90288c0372 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c0373 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 111,800.

-30- 337
#90288c0374 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, IRA B BROWN, CHAIRMAN OF BRANDON SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: BRDN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,310,322.

-30- 327
#90288c0375 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JOHN H SLADE, DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0377 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOHN H SLADE, DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 710,000.

-30- 330
#90288c0378 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HERMAN B LEONARD, DIR. OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0379 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HERMAN B LEONARD, DIR. OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 139,500.

-30- 325
#90288c0380 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90288c0381 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90288c0382 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 320

#90288c0383 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90288c0385 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90288c0386 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90288c0387 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90288c0388 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,846,947.

-30- 361
#90288c0389 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, JOSEPH J DEVITO, OFFICER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,250.

-30- 324
#90288c0390 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0391 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90288c0393 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0394 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90288c0395 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90288c0396 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90288c0397 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0398 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0399 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0401 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0402 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF

CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0403 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0404 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0405 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0406 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 343
#90288c0407 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0409 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0410 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0411 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0412 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0413 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0414 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0415 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0417 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 9,700 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0418 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $7.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0419 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0420 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF

CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0421 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c0422 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 349
#90288c0423 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,622,200.

-30- 388
#90288c0425 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GEORGE PRATT, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTER AUTOMATION INC. (TICKER: CAUT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 330
#90288c0426 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, WILLIAM C SHEDD, DIR. OF CITIZENS BANKING CORP. (TICKER: CBCF), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,992.

-30- 317
#90288c0427 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JEFFREY T BEAVER, DIR. OF CAMBRIDGE BIOTECH CORP. (TICKER: CBCX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 325
#90288c0428 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, RALPH H IMSCHWEILER JR, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: CBKI), SOLD 951 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126.

-30- 323
#90288c0429 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, TRANUM FITZPATRICK, DIR. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 156 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,459.

-30- 349
#90288c0430 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JOHN GL CABOT, DIR. OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 436,443.

-30- 294
#90288c0431 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, KENNETH M ANTOS, VP OF CIRCUIT CITY STORES INC. (TICKER: CC), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90288c0433 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DAVID E BOSHER, VP OF CADMUS COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: CDMS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 550.

-30- 319
#90288c0434 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, J TIMOTHY MATTHEWS, OFFICER OF CASTLE ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CECX), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 324
#90288c0435 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c0436 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c0437 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c0438 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c0439 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0441 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,869,869.

-30- 332
#90288c0442 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, W N FINNEGAN III, DIR. OF CULLEN/FROST BANKERS INC. (TICKER: CFBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,512.

-30- 326
#90288c0443 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PHILIP H BARLOW, OFFICER OF CARRIAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CGE), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,300.

-30- 318
#90288c0444 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, KENNETH D BRYSON, OFFICER OF CARRIAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CGE), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,607.

-30- 319
#90288c0445 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, STEPHEN R DICKINSON, PRES. OF CARRIAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CGE), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 35,706.

-30- 322
#90288c0446 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, STEVEN G JONES, OFFICER OF CARRIAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CGE), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,916.

-30- 317
#90288c0447 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ANDREW BENJAMIN SIDES JR, DIR. OF COLONIAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CGES), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $21.86 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,978.

-30- 314
#90288c0449 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MANUEL J MOROUN, DIR. OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c0450 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MANUEL J MOROUN, DIR. OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,666,625.

-30- 327
#90288c0451 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ROBERT L RICE, DIR. OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), SOLD 550 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,050.

-30- 311
#90288c0452 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c0453 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0454 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0455 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0457 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0458 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 3,750 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c0459 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c0460 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 3,750 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 134,467.

-30- 329
#90288c0461 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,485.

-30- 326
#90288c0462 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, RALPH E WARD, DIR. OF THE CHASE MANHATTAN CORP. (TICKER: CMB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,400.

-30- 319
#90288c0463 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, GEORGE R TOD, PRES. OF CML GROUP INC. (TICKER: CML), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $15.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,500.

-30- 297
#90288c0465 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $12.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0466 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 2,438 SHARES AT $12.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c0467 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 1,855 SHARES AT $12.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 592,085.

-30- 366
#90288c0468 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, CONSOLIDATED NG ALT THRIFT TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), BOUGHT 6,572 SHARES AT $49.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 350
#90288c0469 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, CONSOLIDATED NG ALT THRIFT TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), SOLD 48,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 363
#90288c0470 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, GEORGE A DAVIDSON JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), SOLD 758 SHARES AT $51.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,019.

-30- 361
#90288c0471 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, RALBERN H MURRAY, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), SOLD 3,179 SHARES AT $47.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,307.

-30- 334
#90288c0473 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0474 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0475 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,000.

-30- 328
#90288c0476 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90288c0477 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289

#90288c0478 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0479 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0481 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0482 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 185,600.

-30- 328
#90288c0483 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, MORTON SALKIND, DIR. OF CODENOLL TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: CODN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 206,950.

-30- 326
#90288c0484 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EUGENE B CARROLL, DIR. OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: COFI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,451.

-30- 333
#90288c0485 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CHARLES J KOCH, PRES. OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: COFI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c0486 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CHARLES J KOCH, PRES. OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: COFI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,022.

-30- 325
#90288c0487 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JOHN D KOCH, VP OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: COFI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,777.

-30- 320
#90288c0489 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90288c0490 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 13,500 SHARES AT $34.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90288c0491 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $35.42 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90288c0492 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $34.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,943,267.

-30- 347
#90288c0493 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, FRANZ E LAZARUS, OFFICER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 321 SHARES AT $34.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,000.

-30- 324
#90288c0494 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JAMES D SINEGAL, PRES. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0495 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JAMES D SINEGAL, PRES. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 22,000 SHARES AT $35.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c0497 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JAMES D SINEGAL, PRES. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0498 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES D SINEGAL, PRES. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c0499 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES D SINEGAL, PRES. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 989,482.

-30- 327
#90288c0500 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ANTHONY J SWIES, DIV. OFFICER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90288c0501 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, STEPHEN R ARMSTRONG, OFFICER OF CAMPBELL SOUP CO. (TICKER: CPB), BOUGHT 2,580 SHARES AT $45.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,080.

-30- 325
#90288c0502 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CHARLES H ROSENFIELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: CPRK), SOLD 32,000 SHARES AT $0.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 370
#90288c0503 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CHARLES H ROSENFIELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: CPRK), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,949,000.

-30- 409
#90288c0505 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c0506 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $14.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90288c0507 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 1,283 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90288c0508 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $11.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90288c0509 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 4,514 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,241,323.

-30- 339
#90288c0510 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC.

(TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90288c0511 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,229,026.

-30- 335
#90288c0513 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, STEPHEN P MUNN, PRES. OF CARLISLE COS. (TICKER: CSL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600.

-30- 300
#90288c0514 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, CHAIRMAN OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90288c0515 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, CHAIRMAN OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0516 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, CHAIRMAN OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0517 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, CHAIRMAN OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90288c0518 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, CHAIRMAN OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0519 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, CHAIRMAN OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0521 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, BRUCE VANWAGNER, DIR. OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 318
#90288c0522 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, BRUCE VANWAGNER, DIR. OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 320
#90288c0523 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ALBERT O NICHOLAS, DIR. OF CHRISTIANA COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: CST), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c0524 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ALBERT O NICHOLAS, DIR. OF CHRISTIANA COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: CST), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,600.

-30- 332
#90288c0525 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, GEORGE FAUERBACH, VP OF CUMMINS ENGINE CO. (TICKER: CUM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,474.

-30- 312
#90288c0526 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 08, 1990, BARRY B DONNELL, CHAIRMAN OF CAVALIER HOMES INC. (TICKER: CXV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0527 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, BARRY B DONNELL, CHAIRMAN OF CAVALIER HOMES INC. (TICKER: CXV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,000.

-30- 326
#90288c0529 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, STUART D BUCHALTER, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,263.

-30- 314
#90288c0530 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, THOMAS J KELLEHER, OFFICER OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c0531 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, THOMAS J KELLEHER, OFFICER OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,252.

-30- 305
#90288c0532 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, THOMAS J KELLEHER, OFFICER OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c0533 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, THOMAS J KELLEHER, OFFICER OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,252.

-30- 306
#90288c0534 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GARETH B STENNER, OFFICER OF DATAIMAGE INC. (TICKER: DATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 323
#90288c0535 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, DONALD W KAPPAUF, PRES. OF DIGITAL SOLUTIONS INC. (TICKER: DGSI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c0537 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, STEVEN KOTLER, DIR. OF DEL LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER:

DLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90288c0538 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, STEVEN KOTLER, DIR. OF DEL LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: DLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 315
#90288c0539 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, EMPIRE OF CAROLINA INC, BEN. OWNER OF DELTONA CORP. (TICKER: DLT), BOUGHT 34,500 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c0540 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, EMPIRE OF CAROLINA INC, BEN. OWNER OF DELTONA CORP. (TICKER: DLT), BOUGHT 30,500 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,220,066.

-30- 333
#90288c0541 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, MICHAEL S FIELD, OFFICER OF DUN & BRADSTREET CORP. (TICKER: DNB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,556.

-30- 325
#90288c0542 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, PRES. OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90288c0543 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, PRES. OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90288c0545 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MYRON ROSENBERG, DIR. OF DEL-VAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,022.

-30- 319
#90288c0546 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, TORCH ENERGY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 2,647,188 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,112,009.

-30- 378
#90288c0547 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLIAM M DUGLE, OFFICER OF ENGELHARD CORP. (TICKER: EC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,754.

-30- 307
#90288c0548 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,081,666.

-30- 325
#90288c0549 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0550 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $2.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0551 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 11,500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0553 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0554 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0555 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.43 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c0556 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c0557 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,572,000.

-30- 327
#90288c0558 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, ELCOR CORP ESOP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90288c0559 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, WILLIAM J WOOTEN, DIR. OF DEKALB ENERGY CO. (TICKER: ENRG), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 305
#90288c0561 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, FLOYD H ROURKE, DIR. OF EVERGREEN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: EVGN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c0562 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, FLOYD H ROURKE, DIR. OF EVERGREEN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: EVGN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c0563 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, FLOYD H ROURKE, DIR. OF EVERGREEN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: EVGN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

31,985.

-30- 322
#90288c0564 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HELMUTH SAURER, CHAIRMAN OF EUROPEAN WARRANT FUND INC. (TICKER: EWF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 332
#90288c0565 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BERNARD SPILKO, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF EUROPEAN WARRANT FUND INC. (TICKER: EWF), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 349
#90288c0566 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, WILLIAM C FORD, DIR. OF FORD MOTOR CO. (DEL) (TICKER: F), BOUGHT 14,173 SHARES AT $34.99 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,666.

-30- 315
#90288c0567 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, WILLIAM C FORD, DIR. OF FORD MOTOR CO. (DEL) (TICKER: F), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $34.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90288c0569 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, REGINALD D DICKSON, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0570 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, REGINALD D DICKSON, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), SOLD 170 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,259.

-30- 323
#90288c0571 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ROBERT E BLAND, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,900.

-30- 318
#90288c0572 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, RICHARD M ROSS JR, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST EASTERN CORP. (TICKER: FEBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,463.

-30- 324
#90288c0573 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JAMES E FERLAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 362
#90288c0574 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, SYDNEY D CAPLAN, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST HARRISBURG BANCOR INC. (TICKER: FFHP), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,150.

-30- 343
#90288c0575 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, CHARLES W BOONE, VP OF USF & G CORP. (TICKER: FG), SOLD

1,327 SHARES AT $22.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90288c0577 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, DENNIS J SULLIVAN JR, DIR. OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,677.

-30- 324
#90288c0578 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DENNIS J SULLIVAN JR, DIR. OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,177.

-30- 324
#90288c0579 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, DENNIS J SULLIVAN JR, DIR. OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $33.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,177.

-30- 324
#90288c0580 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, RICHARD D HARRISON, DIR. OF FLEMING COS. (TICKER: FLM), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,515.

-30- 305
#90288c0581 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, FEDERAL MOGUL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FEDERAL-MOGUL CORP. (TICKER: FMO), BOUGHT 369 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c0582 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, FEDERAL MOGUL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FEDERAL-MOGUL CORP. (TICKER: FMO), BOUGHT 6,742 SHARES AT $17.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90288c0583 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, FEDERAL MOGUL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FEDERAL-MOGUL CORP. (TICKER: FMO), BOUGHT 19,100 SHARES AT $15.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,839,564.

-30- 349
#90288c0585 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, WILLIAM P FOLEY II, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIDELITY NATIONAL FINL INC. (TICKER: FNF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 827,674.

-30- 384
#90288c0586 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PAUL J CHOQUETTE JR, DIR. OF FLEET/NORSTAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FNG), BOUGHT 351 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,439.

-30- 350
#90288c0587 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, CHARLES BRUNING III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 414 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90288c0588 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, JOHN G EILERING JR, VP OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 138 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c0589 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, ROGER B PARSONS, DIR. OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 146 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c0590 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, HAROLD R PEHLKE, PRES. OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 506 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90288c0591 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, JOHN J RIORDAN, VP OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 107 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c0593 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JOHN A MORAN, DIR. OF FORTUNE FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FORF), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,850.

-30- 330
#90288c0594 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROGER O WALTHER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 129,143.

-30- 357
#90288c0595 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, GEORGE B BEITZEL, DIR. OF FLIGHTSAFETY INTERNATIONAL

INC. (TICKER: FSI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,437.

-30- 349
#90288c0596 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DOUGLAS M KINNEY, DIR. OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 319
#90288c0597 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DOUGLAS M KINNEY, DIR. OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 317
#90288c0598 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MASON Y GARRETT, PRES. OF FIRST UNITED BANCORP.(ANDERSON,CS) (TICKER: FUSC), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 87,332.

-30- 353
#90288c0599 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ALLEN E BUSCHING, DIR. OF GALILEO ELECTRO-OPTICS CORP. (TICKER: GAEO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 329
#90288c0601 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, NORMAN M FIELD, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 338
#90288c0602 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, RONALD L GLASS, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 338
#90288c0603 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ARTHUR A GREENBERG, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,172,625.

-30- 345
#90288c0604 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, WILLIAM K HALL, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 341
#90288c0605 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JODELL A KEPPLER, OFFICER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 351
#90288c0606 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, B ANN LURIE, BEN. OWNER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 350
#90288c0607 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PATRICIA MEGAHAN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 340
#90288c0609 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, SHELI Z ROSENBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,172,625.

-30- 373
#90288c0610 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, GERALD A SPECTOR, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 342
#90288c0611 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, SAMUEL ZELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,175,625.

-30- 360
#90288c0612 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $20.67 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c0613 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $20.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c0614 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 19,500 SHARES AT $21.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90288c0615 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $21.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c0617 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c0618 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 340,549.

-30- 369
#90288c0619 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ALDRICH L KUCHERA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GIANT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90288c0620 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ALDRICH L KUCHERA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GIANT INDUSTRIES

INC. (TICKER: GI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 335
#90288c0621 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ALDRICH L KUCHERA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GIANT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c0622 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ALDRICH L KUCHERA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GIANT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 330
#90288c0623 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, KEVIN W KENNEDY, DIR. OF THE GITANO GROUP INC. (TICKER: GIT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 316
#90288c0625 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, WILBUR O HOPPER, PRES. OF GOLDTEX INC. (TICKER: GLTX), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c0626 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WILBUR O HOPPER, PRES. OF GOLDTEX INC. (TICKER: GLTX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,100.

-30- 304
#90288c0627 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, GENERAL MOTORS SVGS TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 2,536,162 SHARES AT $38.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90288c0628 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, GENERAL MOTORS SVGS TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 171,490 SHARES AT $30.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90288c0629 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, GENERAL MOTORS SVGS TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 53,097 SHARES AT $18.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90288c0630 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, STANLEY J GIBERSON, DIR. OF GLENDALE BANCORPORATION (TICKER: GNBC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 321
#90288c0631 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,300.

-30- 313
#90288c0633 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 23, 1990, THOMAS L EASLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c0634 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, THOMAS L EASLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,400.

-30- 333
#90288c0635 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CECIL A RANSBOTTOM, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,100.

-30- 317
#90288c0636 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DONALD F GOEBERT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMCO NATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GNL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c0637 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DONALD F GOEBERT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMCO NATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GNL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c0638 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, DONALD F GOEBERT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMCO NATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90288c0639 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, DONALD F GOEBERT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMCO NATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GNL), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,000.

-30- 362
#90288c0641 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, MAGDALENE GROSS, OFFICER OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $50.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90288c0642 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MAGDALENE GROSS, OFFICER OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $48.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90288c0643 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, J P SPAINHOUR, OFFICER OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $52.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90288c0644 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DANIEL E WALKER, OFFICER OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $51.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90288c0645 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, H JOSEPH GERBER, CHAIRMAN OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c0646 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, H JOSEPH GERBER, CHAIRMAN OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC.

(TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000,890.

-30- 334
#90288c0647 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, H JOSEPH GERBER, CHAIRMAN OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0649 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, H JOSEPH GERBER, CHAIRMAN OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0650 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, H JOSEPH GERBER, CHAIRMAN OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,475.

-30- 331
#90288c0651 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, BRUCE L WEITZ, SHAREHOLDER OF GROSSMAN'S INC. (TICKER: GROS), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 318
#90288c0652 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MARK C POPE III, CHAIRMAN OF GRAPHIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GRPH), BOUGHT 1,050 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,087,817.

-30- 336

#90288c0653 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, MICHAEL CANNON, OFFICER OF GRIST MILL CO. (TICKER: GRST), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 309
#90288c0654 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90288c0655 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 5,556 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,788.

-30- 335
#90288c0657 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JOHN SPOHLER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF GROUP 1 SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: GSOF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,750.

-30- 343
#90288c0658 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MICHAEL J PALKO, VP OF GREAT WESTERN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GWF), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250.

-30- 327
#90288c0659 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, EUGENE K FRIESEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WOLF (HOWARD B.)

INC. (TICKER: HBW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90288c0660 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, EUGENE K FRIESEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WOLF (HOWARD B.) INC. (TICKER: HBW), BOUGHT 120 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,120.

-30- 341
#90288c0661 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JOANNE M BARRETT, OFFICER OF HECHINGER CO. (TICKER: HECH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,048.

-30- 312
#90288c0662 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHN R MCGRATH, OFFICER OF HECHINGER CO. (TICKER: HECH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 307
#90288c0663 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GERALD J LEWIS, DIR. OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HENP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90288c0665 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, DAVID L WHELAN, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,285,305.

-30- 340
#90288c0666 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOHN R TEITGEN, VP OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,300.

-30- 320
#90288c0667 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, EUGENE E SMITH, OFFICER OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 344
#90288c0668 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, VICTOR R JOHNSON JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: HRDG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,870.

-30- 354
#90288c0669 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JACK R KRONFELD, DIR. OF HOSPITAL STAFFING SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HSSI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c0670 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JACK R KRONFELD, DIR. OF HOSPITAL STAFFING SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HSSI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c0671 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JACK R KRONFELD, DIR. OF HOSPITAL STAFFING SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HSSI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c0673 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, VERNON D HERBST, CHAIRMAN OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,604.

-30- 337
#90288c0674 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, E KEITH MOORE, DIR. OF HURCO COS. (TICKER: HURC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,320.

-30- 293
#90288c0675 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, RICHARD T NINER, DIR. OF HURCO COS. (TICKER: HURC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90288c0676 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, RICHARD T NINER, DIR. OF HURCO COS. (TICKER: HURC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 295
#90288c0677 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, HERBERT W KAUFMAN, PRES. OF KAUFMAN (H.W.) FINANCIAL GRP INC. (TICKER: HWK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,194,922.

-30- 346
#90288c0678 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, HAWKEYE BANCORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF HAWKEYE BANCORP.

(TICKER: HWKB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c0679 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HAWKEYE BANCORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF HAWKEYE BANCORP. (TICKER: HWKB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c0681 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HAWKEYE BANCORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF HAWKEYE BANCORP. (TICKER: HWKB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 793,924.

-30- 341
#90288c0682 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, WILLIAM F EHINGER, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANK CORP. (MI) (TICKER: IBCP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c0683 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM F EHINGER, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANK CORP. (MI) (TICKER: IBCP), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,648.

-30- 333
#90288c0684 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, MELBOURNE F YULL, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ICSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 340
#90288c0685 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90288c0686 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90288c0687 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90288c0689 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,750.

-30- 346
#90288c0690 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, GEORGE B ADLER, SHAREHOLDER OF INEFFICIENT-MARKET FUND INC. (TICKER: IMF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 344
#90288c0691 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES E BAYSON, DIR. OF INACOMP COMPUTER CENTERS INC. (TICKER: INAC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 334
#90288c0692 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ROBERT W HUNTER, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: INBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90288c0693 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ROBERT W HUNTER, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: INBC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,324.

-30- 340
#90288c0694 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, VP OF INTECH INC. (TICKER: INTE), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90288c0695 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, VP OF INTECH INC. (TICKER: INTE), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90288c0697 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, VP OF INTECH INC. (TICKER: INTE), SOLD 10,449 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,404.

-30- 298
#90288c0698 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, VP OF INTECH INC. (TICKER: INTE), SOLD 7,900 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90288c0699 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, VP OF INTECH INC. (TICKER: INTE), SOLD 7,700 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90288c0700 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, VP OF INTECH INC. (TICKER: INTE), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90288c0701 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, VP OF INTECH INC. (TICKER: INTE), SOLD 14,800 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 504.

-30- 295
#90288c0702 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, CARL L BIXBY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERFACE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90288c0703 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CARL L BIXBY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERFACE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 87,878.

-30- 341
#90288c0705 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROGER C PALMER, VP OF INTERMEC CORP. (TICKER: INTR),

BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,068.

-30- 299
#90288c0706 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, A HUGHES WARE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF INVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INVF), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90288c0707 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, A HUGHES WARE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF INVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INVF), SOLD 6,100 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 339
#90288c0708 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DAVID R FICCA, DIR. OF INTERCHANGE FINANCIAL SVCS CORP. (TICKER: ISB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,048.

-30- 332
#90288c0709 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, FRANK B CARR, DIR. OF INVACARE CORP. (TICKER: IVCR), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $13.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c0710 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FRANK B CARR, DIR. OF INVACARE CORP. (TICKER: IVCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c0711 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FRANK B CARR, DIR. OF INVACARE CORP. (TICKER: IVCR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,900.

-30- 298
#90288c0713 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, COLBY H CHANDLER, DIR. OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $46.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 315
#90288c0714 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, THOMAS E PABST, VP OF JG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JGIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 293
#90288c0715 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, BYRON C HAMILTON, DIR. OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,433.

-30- 334
#90288c0716 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, FRANK C CARLUCCI, SHAREHOLDER OF KAMAN CORP. (TICKER: KAMN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,400.

-30- 315
#90288c0717 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, MARSHALL T REYNOLDS, CHAIRMAN OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 457,717.

-30- 353
#90288c0718 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MARSHALL T REYNOLDS, CHAIRMAN OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 456,068.

-30- 350
#90288c0719 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JOHN T PACKARD, AFFILIATED PERSON OF KOREA FUND INC. (TICKER: KF), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 326
#90288c0721 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ROBERT F SINGLETON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $41.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90288c0722 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ROBERT F SINGLETON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,705.

-30- 342
#90288c0723 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOHN L WEINBERG, DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90288c0724 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOHN L WEINBERG, DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), SOLD 2,800 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90288c0725 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JOHN L WEINBERG, DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $41.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90288c0726 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 02, 1990, LAWRENCE FELDMAN, DIR. OF K-SWISS INC. (TICKER: KSWS), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,980.

-30- 301
#90288c0727 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LAWRENCE FELDMAN, DIR. OF K-SWISS INC. (TICKER: KSWS), BOUGHT 425 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 425.

-30- 296
#90288c0729 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ARTHUR C WILLIAMS, PRES. OF KEVLIN MICROWAVE CORP. (TICKER: KVLM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0730 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ARTHUR C WILLIAMS, PRES. OF KEVLIN MICROWAVE CORP. (TICKER: KVLM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 329
#90288c0731 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GARY L COX, VP OF LANDMARK BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: LBC), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 305
#90288c0732 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WILLIAM A THOMAS, PRES. OF LINCOLN FOODSERVICE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: LINN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90288c0733 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MILFORD H DINGMAN JR, VP OF LITTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: LIT), SOLD 15,300 SHARES AT $78.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90288c0734 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MILFORD H DINGMAN JR, VP OF LITTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: LIT), SOLD 554 SHARES AT $78.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c0735 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ALLEN E POWERS, VP OF LITTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: LIT), SOLD 2,991 SHARES AT $77.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 111.

-30- 300
#90288c0737 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 31,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90288c0738 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 9,500 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 620,180.

-30- 338
#90288c0739 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, KENNETH T COVIELLO, VP OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90288c0740 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, KENNETH T COVIELLO, VP OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90288c0741 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, KENNETH T COVIELLO, VP OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90288c0742 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, KENNETH T COVIELLO, VP OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90288c0743 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, KENNETH T COVIELLO, VP OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,700.

-30- 295

#90288c0745 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90288c0746 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c0747 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90288c0748 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c0749 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c0750 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 676,803.

-30- 318
#90288c0751 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, EDWIN J GOSS, DIR. OF MERCHANTS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MCHN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 313
#90288c0753 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JANE E LEMENSE, VP OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. (TICKER: MEDC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,700.

-30- 318
#90288c0754 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, MICHAEL G SNOW, VP OF MEDICAL GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MGCC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90288c0755 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, MARTIN J KEARY JR, VP OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 470,263.

-30- 304
#90288c0756 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, NORTHSTAR UNIVERSAL INC, BEN. OWNER OF MICHAEL FOODS INC. (TICKER: MIKL), SOLD 315,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,685,000.

-30- 349
#90288c0757 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, RAYMOND L MILLER JR, DIR. OF MANHATTAN NATIONAL CORP.

(TICKER: MLC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,229.

-30- 326
#90288c0758 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, HARRY K WELLS, DIR. OF MNC FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: MNC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 306
#90288c0759 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, RICHARD C WEBB, VP OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 380 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,639.

-30- 309
#90288c0761 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c0762 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0763 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c0764 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 20,500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c0765 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0766 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0767 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c0769 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0770 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 872,493.

-30- 327
#90288c0771 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c0772 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c0773 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c0774 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c0775 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 20,500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c0777 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c0778 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c0779 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c0780 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c0781 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,079,738.

-30- 308
#90288c0782 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90288c0783 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 256

#90288c0785 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90288c0786 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 20,500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90288c0787 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90288c0788 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90288c0789 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90288c0790 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 254

#90288c0791 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90288c0793 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, D R JOHNSON, OFFICER OF MODINE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: MODI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,819.

-30- 329
#90288c0794 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MODINE MANUF CO ESOIP, BEN. OWNER OF MODINE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: MODI), BOUGHT 71,718 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90288c0795 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MODINE MANUF CO ESOIP, BEN. OWNER OF MODINE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: MODI), SOLD 10,473 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,651,600.

-30- 360
#90288c0796 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, FRED D HAFER, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,059.

-30- 314
#90288c0797 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ANITA A SUMMERS, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 314
#90288c0798 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, C WILLIAM LEE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MATRIX SERVICE CO. (TICKER: MTRX), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 490,000.

-30- 327
#90288c0799 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MARTIN L RINEHART, VP OF MATRIX SERVICE CO. (TICKER: MTRX), SOLD 90,000 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 450,000.

-30- 309
#90288c0801 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, DOYL D WEST, PRES. OF MATRIX SERVICE CO. (TICKER: MTRX), SOLD 180,000 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 360,000.

-30- 304
#90288c0802 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 05, 1990, JOHN N PALMER, CHAIRMAN OF MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: MTTL), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 885,818.

-30- 374
#90288c0803 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOHN N PALMER, CHAIRMAN OF MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: MTTL), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $5.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 935,818.

-30- 375
#90288c0804 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c0805 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0806 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0807 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 20,400 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c0809 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c0810 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0811 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 10,400 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c0812 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0813 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0814 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0815 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0817 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c0818 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0819 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0820 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0821 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0822 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 27,800 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c0823 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 10,800 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c0825 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c0826 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c0827 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c0828 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 20,400 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c0829 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c0830 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c0831 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c0833 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c0834 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c0835 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c0836 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c0837 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c0838 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c0839 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c0841 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90288c0842 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c0843 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 27,800 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c0844 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 10,800 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c0845 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,649,000.

-30- 302
#90288c0846 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HOWARD J BRESSLER, SHAREHOLDER OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $56.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c0847 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HOWARD J BRESSLER, SHAREHOLDER OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $58.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c0849 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, HOWARD J BRESSLER, SHAREHOLDER OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 1,008 SHARES AT $61.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c0850 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, HOWARD J BRESSLER, SHAREHOLDER OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $61.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c0851 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOHN C SAWHILL, DIR. OF NACCO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NC), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c0852 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOHN C SAWHILL, DIR. OF NACCO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 301
#90288c0853 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOHN J SULLIVAN, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,800.

-30- 336
#90288c0854 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c0855 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c0857 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c0858 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 8,800 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 306

#90288c0859 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, MILTON B HOLLANDER, BEN. OWNER OF NEWPORT ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: NEWE), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 260,490.

-30- 345
#90288c0860 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 08, 1990, DENNIS G NEWKIRK, VP OF NL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90288c0861 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, DENNIS G NEWKIRK, VP OF NL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NL), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

-30- 292
#90288c0862 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 03, 1990, DAVID L PETERSEN, OFFICER OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90288c0863 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, DAVID L PETERSEN, OFFICER OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90288c0865 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, D WAYNE GITTINGER, DIR. OF NORDSTROM INC. (TICKER: NOBE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,692.

-30- 312
#90288c0866 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, BARBARA KANAYA, VP OF NORDSTROM INC. (TICKER: NOBE), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,085.

-30- 293
#90288c0867 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JAMES R TOLONEN, VP OF NOVELL INC. (TICKER: NOVL), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,624.

-30- 295
#90288c0868 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c0869 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90288c0870 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 9,200 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c0871 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c0873 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c0874 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c0875 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c0876 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $3.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c0877 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90288c0878 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ELIAS F GHANEM, DIR. OF AMERICAN BANCORP. OF NEVADA (TICKER: ABCN), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,968.

-30- 337
#90288c0879 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, EDWARD D SMITH, DIR. OF AMERICAN BANCORP. OF NEVADA (TICKER: ABCN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,050.

-30- 337
#90288c0881 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, AMERICAN BANKERS INS GROUP ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSUR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 357
#90288c0882 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, AMERICAN BANKERS INS GROUP ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSUR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 357
#90288c0883 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, AMERICAN BANKERS INS GROUP ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSUR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 357
#90288c0884 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, AMERICAN BANKERS INS GROUP ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSUR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 357

#90288c0885 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, AMERICAN BANKERS INS GROUP ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSUR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 359
#90288c0886 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, AMERICAN BANKERS INS GROUP ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSUR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,656,162.

-30- 396
#90288c0887 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, CURTIS INVESTMENT CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC.(GA) (TICKER: ABP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90288c0889 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JOHN B CARLEY, PRES. OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 276,200.

-30- 310
#90288c0890 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, STANLEY R RAWN JR, CHAIRMAN OF ADOBE RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: ADB), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90288c0891 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, STANLEY R RAWN JR, CHAIRMAN OF ADOBE RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: ADB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,230.

-30- 341
#90288c0892 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JAMES A HARMON, DIR. OF AMES DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: ADD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c0893 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JAMES A HARMON, DIR. OF AMES DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: ADD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c0894 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JAMES A HARMON, DIR. OF AMES DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: ADD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c0895 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JAMES A HARMON, DIR. OF AMES DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: ADD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,210.

-30- 331
#90288c0897 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, KATHY ADDINGTON, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADDINGTON RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: ADDR), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,153,324.

-30- 382
#90288c0898 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LARRY C ADDINGTON, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADDINGTON RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: ADDR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 345
#90288c0899 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LARRY C ADDINGTON, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADDINGTON RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: ADDR), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,153,324.

-30- 384
#90288c0900 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, RAY STATA, PRES. OF ANALOG DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ADI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c0901 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, RAY STATA, PRES. OF ANALOG DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ADI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c0902 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, RAY STATA, PRES. OF ANALOG DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ADI), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500,640.

-30- 308
#90288c0903 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, RAY STATA, PRES. OF ANALOG DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ADI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,067,095.

-30- 310

#90288c0905 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, DONALD B WALKER, DIR. OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0906 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DONALD B WALKER, DIR. OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 136 SHARES AT $22.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90288c0907 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, DONALD B WALKER, DIR. OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0908 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, DIR. OF ALEXANDER ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: AEOK), BOUGHT 55,200 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0909 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, DIR. OF ALEXANDER ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: AEOK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 549,176.

-30- 327
#90288c0910 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOE G BROOKS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADVANCED ENVIRONMENTAL RECYCLING TECH INC. (TICKER: AERT), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $1.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,750.

-30- 411
#90288c0911 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ROBERT L GLASER, PRES. OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90288c0913 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GEORGE R JENSEN JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90288c0914 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GEORGE R JENSEN JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 671,000.

-30- 351
#90288c0915 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GEORGE R JENSEN JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 472,500.

-30- 353
#90288c0916 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT H AHMANSON, DIR. OF AHMANSON (H.F.) & CO. (TICKER: AHM), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0917 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT H AHMANSON, DIR. OF AHMANSON (H.F.) & CO.

(TICKER: AHM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 254,387.

-30- 328
#90288c0918 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICANA HOTELS & REALTY CORP. (TICKER: AHR), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 601,200.

-30- 365
#90288c0919 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0921 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0922 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 6,400 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0923 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0924 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 11,416 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0925 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,115,167.

-30- 330
#90288c0926 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0927 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90288c0929 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0930 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0931 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 440 SHARES AT $5.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90288c0932 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c0933 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 8,200 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,160,906.

-30- 330
#90288c0934 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 08, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0935 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 16, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 959 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90288c0937 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,075,851.

-30- 330
#90288c0938 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90288c0939 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0940 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90288c0941 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0942 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,166,631.

-30- 330
#90288c0943 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c0945 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0946 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0947 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 2,199 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0948 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0949 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0950 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 440 SHARES AT $5.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0951 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c0953 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0954 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0955 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0956 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 6,400 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0957 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0958 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 11,416 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c0959 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 127,766.

-30- 360
#90288c0961 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 16, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 959 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0962 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0963 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,450.

-30- 359
#90288c0964 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY

INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0965 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 133,766.

-30- 360
#90288c0966 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0967 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0969 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c0970 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 179,230.

-30- 360
#90288c0971 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, I T CORLEY, VP OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 292
#90288c0972 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ALBERT B ROSENBAUM III, OFFICER OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 319
#90288c0973 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ANTHONY A SIRNA III, DIR. OF AMETEK INC. (TICKER: AME), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,100.

-30- 297
#90288c0974 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1987, STEWART D BLAIR, DIR. OF AMERICAN MOBILE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AMSE), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $7.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c0975 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1987, STEWART D BLAIR, DIR. OF AMERICAN MOBILE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AMSE), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 332
#90288c0977 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294

#90288c0978 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c0979 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c0980 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,403,540.

-30- 335
#90288c0981 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0982 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c0983 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90288c0985 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,403,540.

-30- 329
#90288c0986 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DAVID G ELLER, DIR. OF AMERICAN NATIONAL PETROLEUM CO.(DE) (TICKER: ANPC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 344
#90288c0987 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0988 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0989 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0990 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0991 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0993 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90288c0994 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0995 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0996 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90288c0997 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c0998 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 26, 1990, INGRID UROSHEVICH, BEN. OWNER OF ALPHA SOLARCO INC. (TICKER: ASCO), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,558,470.

-30- 336
#90288c0999 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, INGRID UROSHEVICH, BEN. OWNER OF ALPHA SOLARCO INC. (TICKER: ASCO), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,545,228.

-30- 336
#90288c1001 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOHN J HARVEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1002 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JOHN J HARVEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1003 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHN J HARVEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 119,719.

-30- 328
#90288c1004 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, LAWRENCE D LEVIN, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90288c1005 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, LAWRENCE D LEVIN, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 672.

-30- 306
#90288c1006 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, EDWIN G RYMEK, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90288c1007 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, EDWIN G RYMEK, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,669.

-30- 313
#90288c1009 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, EDWIN G RYMEK, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90288c1010 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, EDWIN G RYMEK, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c1011 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, EDWIN G RYMEK, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c1012 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, EDWIN G RYMEK, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c1013 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, EDWIN G RYMEK, OFFICER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,277.

-30- 305
#90288c1014 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROBERT J MARINO, VP OF AT & E CORP. (TICKER: ATW), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90288c1015 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROBERT J MARINO, VP OF AT & E CORP. (TICKER: ATW), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90288c1017 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1990, BARNEY DREYFUSS, DIR. OF ARIZONA LAND INCOME CORP. (TICKER: AZL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90288c1018 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, BARNEY DREYFUSS, DIR. OF ARIZONA LAND INCOME CORP. (TICKER: AZL), BOUGHT 325 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90288c1019 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BARNEY DREYFUSS, DIR. OF ARIZONA LAND INCOME CORP. (TICKER: AZL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,605.

-30- 325
#90288c1020 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 12,275 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 819,262.

-30- 326
#90288c1021 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 09, 1990, ARNOLD J ROBINSON, DIR. OF BLOC DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: BDEV), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,834.

-30- 326
#90288c1022 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, GEORGE C SCOTT, DIR. OF BERGSTROM CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BEM), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $61.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 310
#90288c1023 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JUDSON R GROSVENOR, DIR. OF FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: BEN), SOLD 28,563 SHARES AT $26.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 873,132.

-30- 331
#90288c1025 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JOHN C DANNEMILLER JR, PRES. OF BEARINGS INC. (TICKER: BER), BOUGHT 550 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 309
#90288c1026 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, GOLDMAN SACHS & CO, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER HUGHES INC. (TICKER: BHI), BOUGHT 4,900 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90288c1027 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, GOLDMAN SACHS & CO, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER HUGHES INC. (TICKER: BHI), SOLD 3,200 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1028 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GOLDMAN SACHS & CO, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER HUGHES INC. (TICKER: BHI), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1029 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, TIMOTHY N BURELLE, OFFICER OF BIG B INC. (TICKER: BIGB), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 350.

-30- 312
#90288c1030 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, BRUCE B BRUNDAGE, SHAREHOLDER OF BLACK HILLS CORP.

(TICKER: BKH), SOLD 131 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,400.

-30- 324
#90288c1031 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOHN R BROWN, OFFICER OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), SOLD 927 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c1033 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, HERB M MEE JR, PRES. OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90288c1034 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, HERB M MEE JR, PRES. OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90288c1035 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, HERB M MEE JR, PRES. OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90288c1036 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, HERB M MEE JR, PRES. OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 89,323.

-30- 298
#90288c1037 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, MICHAEL L TAYLOR, OFFICER OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,072.

-30- 305
#90288c1038 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, MICHAEL L TAYLOR, OFFICER OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), SOLD 250 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90288c1039 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MICHAEL L TAYLOR, OFFICER OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 719.

-30- 301
#90288c1041 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c1042 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 111,800.

-30- 337
#90288c1043 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, IRA B BROWN, CHAIRMAN OF BRANDON SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: BRDN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,310,322.

-30- 327
#90288c1044 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JOHN H SLADE, DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1045 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JOHN H SLADE, DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), BOUGHT 5,800 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1046 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOHN H SLADE, DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 710,000.

-30- 330
#90288c1047 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HERMAN B LEONARD, DIR. OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1049 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90288c1050 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 318

#90288c1051 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90288c1052 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90288c1053 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90288c1054 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90288c1055 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90288c1057 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,846,947.

-30- 361
#90288c1058 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, JOSEPH J DEVITO, OFFICER OF BALDWIN & LYONS INC. (TICKER: BWIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,250.

-30- 324
#90288c1059 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1060 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90288c1061 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90288c1062 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1063 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90288c1065 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90288c1066 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1067 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1068 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1069 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,300 SHARES AT $8.50 PER

SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1070 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1071 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1073 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1074 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1075 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 343
#90288c1076 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1077 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1078 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1079 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1081 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1082 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1083 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1084 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1085 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1086 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 9,700 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1087 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $7.23 PER

SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1089 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1090 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90288c1091 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 349
#90288c1092 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,622,200.

-30- 388
#90288c1093 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHAN F BLOKKER, DIR. OF COMPUTER AUTOMATION INC. (TICKER: CAUT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 329
#90288c1094 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GEORGE PRATT, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTER AUTOMATION INC. (TICKER: CAUT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 330
#90288c1095 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, WILLIAM C SHEDD, DIR. OF CITIZENS BANKING CORP. (TICKER: CBCF), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,992.

-30- 317
#90288c1097 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, RALPH H IMSCHWEILER JR, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: CBKI), SOLD 951 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126.

-30- 323
#90288c1098 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, TRANUM FITZPATRICK, DIR. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 156 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,459.

-30- 349
#90288c1099 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JOHN GL CABOT, DIR. OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 436,443.

-30- 294
#90288c1100 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, KENNETH M ANTOS, VP OF CIRCUIT CITY STORES INC. (TICKER: CC), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90288c1101 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, KENNETH M ANTOS, VP OF CIRCUIT CITY STORES INC. (TICKER: CC), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 702.

-30- 313
#90288c1102 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DAVID E BOSHER, VP OF CADMUS COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: CDMS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 550.

-30- 319
#90288c1103 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, J TIMOTHY MATTHEWS, OFFICER OF CASTLE ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CECX), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 324
#90288c1105 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c1106 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c1107 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c1108 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1109 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1110 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,869,869.

-30- 332
#90288c1111 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, W N FINNEGAN III, DIR. OF CULLEN/FROST BANKERS INC. (TICKER: CFBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,512.

-30- 326
#90288c1113 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, KENNETH D BRYSON, OFFICER OF CARRIAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CGE), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,607.

-30- 319
#90288c1114 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, STEPHEN R DICKINSON, PRES. OF CARRIAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CGE), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,706.

-30- 322
#90288c1115 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, STEVEN G JONES, OFFICER OF CARRIAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CGE), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,916.

-30- 317
#90288c1116 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ANDREW BENJAMIN SIDES JR, DIR. OF COLONIAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CGES), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $21.86 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,978.

-30- 314
#90288c1117 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LOEWS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CHA), BOUGHT 881,600 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,181,400.

-30- 334
#90288c1118 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MANUEL J MOROUN, DIR. OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c1119 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MANUEL J MOROUN, DIR. OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,666,625.

-30- 327
#90288c1121 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c1122 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1123 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1124 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1125 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1126 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1127 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 3,750 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c1129 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 3,750 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 134,467.

-30- 329
#90288c1130 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,485.

-30- 326
#90288c1131 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, RALPH E WARD, DIR. OF THE CHASE MANHATTAN CORP. (TICKER: CMB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,400.

-30- 319
#90288c1132 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, GEORGE R TOD, PRES. OF CML GROUP INC. (TICKER: CML), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $15.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,500.

-30- 297
#90288c1133 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JOHN SPOHLER, CHAIRMAN OF COMNET CORP. (TICKER: CNET), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,000.

-30- 305
#90288c1134 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $12.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c1135 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 2,438 SHARES AT $12.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c1137 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, CONSOLIDATED NG ALT THRIFT TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), BOUGHT 6,572 SHARES AT $49.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 350
#90288c1138 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, CONSOLIDATED NG ALT THRIFT TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), SOLD 48,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 363
#90288c1139 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, GEORGE A DAVIDSON JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED

NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), SOLD 758 SHARES AT $51.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,019.

-30- 361
#90288c1140 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, RALBERN H MURRAY, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), SOLD 3,179 SHARES AT $47.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,307.

-30- 334
#90288c1141 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOHN V WHITACRE, OFFICER OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), SOLD 1,025 SHARES AT $51.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,450.

-30- 340
#90288c1142 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1143 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1145 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90288c1146 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1147 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1148 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1149 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1150 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1151 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 185,600.

-30- 328

#90288c1153 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EUGENE B CARROLL, DIR. OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: COFI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,451.

-30- 333
#90288c1154 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CHARLES J KOCH, PRES. OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: COFI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c1155 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CHARLES J KOCH, PRES. OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: COFI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,022.

-30- 325
#90288c1156 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JOHN D KOCH, VP OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: COFI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,777.

-30- 320
#90288c1157 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90288c1158 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90288c1159 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 13,500 SHARES AT $34.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90288c1161 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $34.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,943,267.

-30- 347
#90288c1162 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, FRANZ E LAZARUS, OFFICER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 321 SHARES AT $34.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,000.

-30- 324
#90288c1163 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JAMES D SINEGAL, PRES. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1164 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JAMES D SINEGAL, PRES. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 22,000 SHARES AT $35.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c1165 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JAMES D SINEGAL, PRES. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1166 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JAMES D SINEGAL, PRES. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1167 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES D SINEGAL, PRES. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c1169 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ANTHONY J SWIES, DIV. OFFICER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90288c1170 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, STEPHEN R ARMSTRONG, OFFICER OF CAMPBELL SOUP CO. (TICKER: CPB), BOUGHT 2,580 SHARES AT $45.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,080.

-30- 325
#90288c1171 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CHARLES H ROSENFIELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: CPRK), SOLD 32,000 SHARES AT $0.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 370
#90288c1172 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CHARLES H ROSENFIELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: CPRK), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,949,000.

-30- 409
#90288c1173 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CHARLES H ROSENFIELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: CPRK), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,998,000.

-30- 409
#90288c1174 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c1175 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $14.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90288c1177 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $11.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90288c1178 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 4,514 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,241,323.

-30- 339
#90288c1179 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90288c1180 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, CROWN CRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,229,026.

-30- 335
#90288c1181 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JOHN P MORGRIDGE, PRES. OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600,060.

-30- 325
#90288c1182 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, STEPHEN P MUNN, PRES. OF CARLISLE COS. (TICKER: CSL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600.

-30- 300
#90288c1183 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, CHAIRMAN OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90288c1185 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, CHAIRMAN OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO.

(TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1186 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, CHAIRMAN OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90288c1187 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, CHAIRMAN OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1188 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, CHAIRMAN OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1189 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, CHAIRMAN OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,800.

-30- 323
#90288c1190 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, BRUCE VANWAGNER, DIR. OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 318
#90288c1191 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, BRUCE VANWAGNER, DIR. OF CINCINNATI BELL INC. (TICKER: CSN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 320
#90288c1193 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ALBERT O NICHOLAS, DIR. OF CHRISTIANA COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: CST), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,600.

-30- 332
#90288c1194 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, GEORGE FAUERBACH, VP OF CUMMINS ENGINE CO. (TICKER: CUM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,474.

-30- 312
#90288c1195 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 08, 1990, BARRY B DONNELL, CHAIRMAN OF CAVALIER HOMES INC. (TICKER: CXV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1196 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, BARRY B DONNELL, CHAIRMAN OF CAVALIER HOMES INC. (TICKER: CXV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,000.

-30- 326
#90288c1197 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, STUART D BUCHALTER, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90288c1198 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, STUART D BUCHALTER, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,263.

-30- 314
#90288c1199 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, THOMAS J KELLEHER, OFFICER OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c1201 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, THOMAS J KELLEHER, OFFICER OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c1202 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, THOMAS J KELLEHER, OFFICER OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,252.

-30- 306
#90288c1203 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GARETH B STENNER, OFFICER OF DATAIMAGE INC. (TICKER: DATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 323
#90288c1204 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, DONALD W KAPPAUF, PRES. OF DIGITAL SOLUTIONS INC.

(TICKER: DGSI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c1205 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, DONALD W KAPPAUF, PRES. OF DIGITAL SOLUTIONS INC. (TICKER: DGSI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 238,333.

-30- 327
#90288c1206 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, STEVEN KOTLER, DIR. OF DEL LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: DLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90288c1207 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, STEVEN KOTLER, DIR. OF DEL LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: DLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 315
#90288c1209 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, EMPIRE OF CAROLINA INC, BEN. OWNER OF DELTONA CORP. (TICKER: DLT), BOUGHT 30,500 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,220,066.

-30- 333
#90288c1210 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, MICHAEL S FIELD, OFFICER OF DUN & BRADSTREET CORP. (TICKER: DNB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,556.

-30- 325

#90288c1211 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, PRES. OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90288c1212 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, PRES. OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90288c1213 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ROGER R BRADERSEN, PRES. OF DATA TRANSMISSION NETWORK CORP. (TICKER: DTLN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 603,254.

-30- 347
#90288c1214 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MYRON ROSENBERG, DIR. OF DEL-VAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,022.

-30- 319
#90288c1215 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, TORCH ENERGY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 2,647,188 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,112,009.

-30- 378
#90288c1217 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

1,081,666.

-30- 325
#90288c1218 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1219 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $2.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1220 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 11,500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1221 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c1222 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1223 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER:

EECN), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1225 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c1226 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DAVID BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,572,000.

-30- 327
#90288c1227 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, ELCOR CORP ESOP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90288c1228 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, WILLIAM J WOOTEN, DIR. OF DEKALB ENERGY CO. (TICKER: ENRG), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 305
#90288c1229 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, FLOYD H ROURKE, DIR. OF EVERGREEN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: EVGN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c1230 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, FLOYD H ROURKE, DIR. OF EVERGREEN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: EVGN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c1231 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, FLOYD H ROURKE, DIR. OF EVERGREEN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: EVGN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c1233 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, HELMUTH SAURER, CHAIRMAN OF EUROPEAN WARRANT FUND INC. (TICKER: EWF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 332
#90288c1234 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, BERNARD SPILKO, INVESTMENT ADVISOR OF EUROPEAN WARRANT FUND INC. (TICKER: EWF), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 349
#90288c1235 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, WILLIAM C FORD, DIR. OF FORD MOTOR CO. (DEL) (TICKER: F), BOUGHT 14,173 SHARES AT $34.99 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,666.

-30- 315
#90288c1236 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, WILLIAM C FORD, DIR. OF FORD MOTOR CO. (DEL) (TICKER: F), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $34.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 275

#90288c1237 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, WILLIAM C FORD, DIR. OF FORD MOTOR CO. (DEL) (TICKER: F), BOUGHT 928 SHARES AT $35.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 259,035.

-30- 312
#90288c1238 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, REGINALD D DICKSON, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c1239 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, REGINALD D DICKSON, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), SOLD 170 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,259.

-30- 323
#90288c1241 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, RICHARD M ROSS JR, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST EASTERN CORP. (TICKER: FEBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,463.

-30- 324
#90288c1242 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JAMES E FERLAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 362
#90288c1243 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, SYDNEY D CAPLAN, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST HARRISBURG BANCOR

INC. (TICKER: FFHP), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,150.

-30- 343
#90288c1244 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, CHARLES W BOONE, VP OF USF & G CORP. (TICKER: FG), SOLD 1,327 SHARES AT $22.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90288c1245 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, CHARLES W BOONE, VP OF USF & G CORP. (TICKER: FG), SOLD 3,800 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,916.

-30- 294
#90288c1246 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, DENNIS J SULLIVAN JR, DIR. OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,677.

-30- 324
#90288c1247 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DENNIS J SULLIVAN JR, DIR. OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,177.

-30- 324
#90288c1249 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, RICHARD D HARRISON, DIR. OF FLEMING COS. (TICKER: FLM), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,515.

-30- 305
#90288c1250 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, FEDERAL MOGUL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FEDERAL-MOGUL CORP. (TICKER: FMO), BOUGHT 369 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c1251 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, FEDERAL MOGUL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FEDERAL-MOGUL CORP. (TICKER: FMO), BOUGHT 6,742 SHARES AT $17.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90288c1252 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, FEDERAL MOGUL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FEDERAL-MOGUL CORP. (TICKER: FMO), BOUGHT 19,100 SHARES AT $15.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,839,564.

-30- 349
#90288c1253 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, WILLIAM P FOLEY II, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIDELITY NATIONAL FINL INC. (TICKER: FNF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 255,175.

-30- 381
#90288c1254 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, WILLIAM P FOLEY II, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIDELITY NATIONAL FINL INC. (TICKER: FNF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 827,674.

-30- 384
#90288c1255 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PAUL J CHOQUETTE JR, DIR. OF FLEET/NORSTAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FNG), BOUGHT 351 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,439.

-30- 350
#90288c1257 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, JOHN G EILERING JR, VP OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 138 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c1258 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, ROGER B PARSONS, DIR. OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 146 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c1259 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, HAROLD R PEHLKE, PRES. OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 506 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90288c1260 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, JOHN J RIORDAN, VP OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 107 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c1261 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, RONALD L SPIEKHOUT, VP OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 117 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90288c1262 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JOHN A MORAN, DIR. OF FORTUNE FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FORF), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 39,850.

-30- 330
#90288c1263 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROGER O WALTHER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 129,143.

-30- 357
#90288c1265 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DOUGLAS M KINNEY, DIR. OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 319
#90288c1266 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DOUGLAS M KINNEY, DIR. OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 317
#90288c1267 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MASON Y GARRETT, PRES. OF FIRST UNITED BANCORP.(ANDERSON,CS) (TICKER: FUSC), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 87,332.

-30- 353
#90288c1268 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ALLEN E BUSCHING, DIR. OF GALILEO ELECTRO-OPTICS CORP. (TICKER: GAEO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 329
#90288c1269 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, EQUITY HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 361
#90288c1270 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, NORMAN M FIELD, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 338
#90288c1271 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, RONALD L GLASS, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 338
#90288c1273 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, WILLIAM K HALL, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 341
#90288c1274 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JODELL A KEPPLER, OFFICER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 351
#90288c1275 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, B ANN LURIE, BEN. OWNER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 350
#90288c1276 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PATRICIA MEGAHAN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 340
#90288c1277 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JERRY J PEZZELLA JR, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 349
#90288c1278 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, SHELI Z ROSENBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,172,625.

-30- 373
#90288c1279 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, GERALD A SPECTOR, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,171,625.

-30- 342
#90288c1281 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $20.67 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c1282 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $20.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c1283 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 19,500 SHARES AT $21.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90288c1284 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $21.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c1285 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 18,500 SHARES AT $21.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90288c1286 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c1287 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE,

BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 340,549.

-30- 369
#90288c1289 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ALDRICH L KUCHERA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GIANT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 335
#90288c1290 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ALDRICH L KUCHERA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GIANT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c1291 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ALDRICH L KUCHERA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GIANT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 330
#90288c1292 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, KEVIN W KENNEDY, DIR. OF THE GITANO GROUP INC. (TICKER: GIT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 316
#90288c1293 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, WILBUR O HOPPER, PRES. OF GOLDTEX INC. (TICKER: GLTX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c1294 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, WILBUR O HOPPER, PRES. OF GOLDTEX INC. (TICKER: GLTX), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c1295 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WILBUR O HOPPER, PRES. OF GOLDTEX INC. (TICKER: GLTX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,100.

-30- 304
#90288c1297 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, GENERAL MOTORS SVGS TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 171,490 SHARES AT $30.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90288c1298 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, GENERAL MOTORS SVGS TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 53,097 SHARES AT $18.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90288c1299 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, STANLEY J GIBERSON, DIR. OF GLENDALE BANCORPORATION (TICKER: GNBC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 321
#90288c1300 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,300.

-30- 313
#90288c1301 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, THOMAS L EASLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1302 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 23, 1990, THOMAS L EASLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1303 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, THOMAS L EASLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,400.

-30- 333
#90288c1305 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DONALD F GOEBERT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMCO NATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GNL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c1306 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DONALD F GOEBERT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMCO NATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GNL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c1307 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, DONALD F GOEBERT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMCO NATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90288c1308 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, DONALD F GOEBERT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMCO NATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GNL), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,000.

-30- 362
#90288c1309 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, GEORGE BLANKENSHIP, OFFICER OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $50.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c1310 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, MAGDALENE GROSS, OFFICER OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $50.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90288c1311 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MAGDALENE GROSS, OFFICER OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $48.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90288c1313 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DANIEL E WALKER, OFFICER OF GAP INC. (TICKER: GPS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $51.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90288c1314 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, H JOSEPH GERBER, CHAIRMAN OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c1315 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, H JOSEPH GERBER, CHAIRMAN OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000,890.

-30- 334
#90288c1316 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, H JOSEPH GERBER, CHAIRMAN OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c1317 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, H JOSEPH GERBER, CHAIRMAN OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c1318 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, H JOSEPH GERBER, CHAIRMAN OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c1319 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, H JOSEPH GERBER, CHAIRMAN OF GERBER SCIENTIFIC INC. (TICKER: GRB), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,475.

-30- 331
#90288c1321 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MARK C POPE III, CHAIRMAN OF GRAPHIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GRPH), BOUGHT 1,050 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,087,817.

-30- 336
#90288c1322 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, MICHAEL CANNON, OFFICER OF GRIST MILL CO. (TICKER: GRST), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 309
#90288c1323 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90288c1324 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 5,556 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,788.

-30- 335
#90288c1325 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,995.

-30- 333
#90288c1326 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JOHN SPOHLER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF GROUP 1 SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: GSOF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,750.

-30- 343
#90288c1327 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MICHAEL J PALKO, VP OF GREAT WESTERN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GWF), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250.

-30- 327
#90288c1329 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, EUGENE K FRIESEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WOLF (HOWARD B.) INC. (TICKER: HBW), BOUGHT 120 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,120.

-30- 341
#90288c1330 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JOANNE M BARRETT, OFFICER OF HECHINGER CO. (TICKER: HECH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,048.

-30- 312
#90288c1331 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHN R MCGRATH, OFFICER OF HECHINGER CO. (TICKER: HECH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 307
#90288c1332 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GERALD J LEWIS, DIR. OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HENP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90288c1333 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, GERALD J LEWIS, DIR. OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HENP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,900.

-30- 320
#90288c1334 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, DAVID L WHELAN, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,285,305.

-30- 340
#90288c1335 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOHN R TEITGEN, VP OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,300.

-30- 320
#90288c1337 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, VICTOR R JOHNSON JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: HRDG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,870.

-30- 354
#90288c1338 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JACK R KRONFELD, DIR. OF HOSPITAL STAFFING SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HSSI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c1339 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JACK R KRONFELD, DIR. OF HOSPITAL STAFFING SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HSSI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c1340 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JACK R KRONFELD, DIR. OF HOSPITAL STAFFING SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HSSI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90288c1341 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JACK R KRONFELD, DIR. OF HOSPITAL STAFFING SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HSSI), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,500.

-30- 332
#90288c1342 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, VERNON D HERBST, CHAIRMAN OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,604.

-30- 337
#90288c1343 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, E KEITH MOORE, DIR. OF HURCO COS. (TICKER: HURC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,320.

-30- 293
#90288c1345 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, RICHARD T NINER, DIR. OF HURCO COS. (TICKER: HURC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 295
#90288c1346 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, HERBERT W KAUFMAN, PRES. OF KAUFMAN (H.W.) FINANCIAL GRP INC. (TICKER: HWK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 2,194,922.

-30- 346
#90288c1347 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, HAWKEYE BANCORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF HAWKEYE BANCORP. (TICKER: HWKB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c1348 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HAWKEYE BANCORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF HAWKEYE BANCORP. (TICKER: HWKB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c1349 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HAWKEYE BANCORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF HAWKEYE BANCORP. (TICKER: HWKB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c1350 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HAWKEYE BANCORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF HAWKEYE BANCORP. (TICKER: HWKB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 793,924.

-30- 341
#90288c1351 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, WILLIAM F EHINGER, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANK CORP. (MI) (TICKER: IBCP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1353 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, MELBOURNE F YULL, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ICSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 340
#90288c1354 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90288c1355 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90288c1356 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90288c1357 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90288c1358 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,750.

-30- 346
#90288c1359 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, GEORGE B ADLER, SHAREHOLDER OF INEFFICIENT-MARKET FUND INC. (TICKER: IMF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 344
#90288c1361 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ROBERT W HUNTER, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: INBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90288c1362 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ROBERT W HUNTER, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: INBC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,324.

-30- 340
#90288c1363 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, VP OF INTECH INC. (TICKER: INTE), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90288c1364 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, VP OF INTECH INC. (TICKER: INTE), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90288c1365 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, VP OF INTECH INC. (TICKER: INTE), SOLD 2,100 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90288c1366 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, VP OF INTECH INC. (TICKER: INTE), SOLD 10,449 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,404.

-30- 298
#90288c1367 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, VP OF INTECH INC. (TICKER: INTE), SOLD 7,900 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90288c1369 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, VP OF INTECH INC. (TICKER: INTE), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90288c1370 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MICHAEL J CARROLL, VP OF INTECH INC. (TICKER: INTE), SOLD 14,800 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 504.

-30- 295
#90288c1371 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, CARL L BIXBY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERFACE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90288c1372 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CARL L BIXBY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERFACE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 87,878.

-30- 341
#90288c1373 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ROGER C PALMER, VP OF INTERMEC CORP. (TICKER: INTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,068.

-30- 299
#90288c1374 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROGER C PALMER, VP OF INTERMEC CORP. (TICKER: INTR), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,068.

-30- 299
#90288c1375 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, A HUGHES WARE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF INVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INVF), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90288c1377 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DAVID R FICCA, DIR. OF INTERCHANGE FINANCIAL SVCS CORP. (TICKER: ISB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,048.

-30- 332
#90288c1378 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, FRANK B CARR, DIR. OF INVACARE CORP. (TICKER: IVCR), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $13.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c1379 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, FRANK B CARR, DIR. OF INVACARE CORP. (TICKER: IVCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c1380 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FRANK B CARR, DIR. OF INVACARE CORP. (TICKER: IVCR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,900.

-30- 298
#90288c1381 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JOHN W BATTIN, PRES. OF IRT CORP. (TICKER: IX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 365,597.

-30- 288
#90288c1382 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, COLBY H CHANDLER, DIR. OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $46.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 315
#90288c1383 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, THOMAS E PABST, VP OF JG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JGIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 293
#90288c1385 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, FRANK C CARLUCCI, SHAREHOLDER OF KAMAN CORP. (TICKER: KAMN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,400.

-30- 315
#90288c1386 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, MARSHALL T REYNOLDS, CHAIRMAN OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 457,717.

-30- 353
#90288c1387 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MARSHALL T REYNOLDS, CHAIRMAN OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 456,068.

-30- 350
#90288c1388 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JOHN T PACKARD, AFFILIATED PERSON OF KOREA FUND INC. (TICKER: KF), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 326
#90288c1389 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JOHN T PACKARD, AFFILIATED PERSON OF KOREA FUND INC. (TICKER: KF), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,892.

-30- 330
#90288c1390 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ROBERT F SINGLETON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $41.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90288c1391 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ROBERT F SINGLETON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,705.

-30- 342
#90288c1393 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOHN L WEINBERG, DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), SOLD 2,800 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90288c1394 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JOHN L WEINBERG, DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $41.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90288c1395 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 02, 1990, LAWRENCE FELDMAN, DIR. OF K-SWISS INC. (TICKER: KSWS), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,980.

-30- 301
#90288c1396 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, LAWRENCE FELDMAN, DIR. OF K-SWISS INC. (TICKER: KSWS), BOUGHT 425 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 425.

-30- 296
#90288c1397 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ARTHUR C WILLIAMS, PRES. OF KEVLIN MICROWAVE CORP. (TICKER: KVLM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1398 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ARTHUR C WILLIAMS, PRES. OF KEVLIN MICROWAVE CORP. (TICKER: KVLM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90288c1399 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ARTHUR C WILLIAMS, PRES. OF KEVLIN MICROWAVE CORP. (TICKER: KVLM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 329
#90288c1401 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WILLIAM A THOMAS, PRES. OF LINCOLN FOODSERVICE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: LINN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90288c1402 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MILFORD H DINGMAN JR, VP OF LITTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: LIT), SOLD 15,300 SHARES AT $78.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90288c1403 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MILFORD H DINGMAN JR, VP OF LITTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: LIT), SOLD 554 SHARES AT $78.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90288c1404 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ALLEN E POWERS, VP OF LITTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: LIT), SOLD 2,991 SHARES AT $77.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 111.

-30- 300
#90288c1405 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC.

(TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 38,000 SHARES AT $2.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90288c1406 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 31,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90288c1407 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 9,500 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 620,180.

-30- 338
#90288c1409 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, KENNETH T COVIELLO, VP OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90288c1410 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, KENNETH T COVIELLO, VP OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90288c1411 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, KENNETH T COVIELLO, VP OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90288c1412 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, KENNETH T COVIELLO, VP OF LUMEX INC. (TICKER: LUM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,700.

-30- 295
#90288c1413 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MONROE BANK & TRUST DEPT, BEN. OWNER (TRUSTEE) OF LA-Z-BOY CHAIR CO. (TICKER: LZB), SOLD 864 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,476,275.

-30- 365
#90288c1414 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90288c1415 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c1417 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c1418 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c1419 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 676,803.

-30- 318
#90288c1420 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, EDWIN J GOSS, DIR. OF MERCHANTS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MCHN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 313
#90288c1421 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 279,700 SHARES AT $46.66 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,117,489.

-30- 370
#90288c1422 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JANE E LEMENSE, VP OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. (TICKER: MEDC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,700.

-30- 318
#90288c1423 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, MICHAEL G SNOW, VP OF MEDICAL GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MGCC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90288c1425 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, NORTHSTAR UNIVERSAL INC, BEN. OWNER OF MICHAEL FOODS INC. (TICKER: MIKL), SOLD 315,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,685,000.

-30- 349
#90288c1426 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, RAYMOND L MILLER JR, DIR. OF MANHATTAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MLC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,229.

-30- 326
#90288c1427 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, HARRY K WELLS, DIR. OF MNC FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: MNC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 306
#90288c1428 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, RICHARD C WEBB, VP OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 380 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,639.

-30- 309
#90288c1429 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1430 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c1431 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1433 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 20,500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c1434 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1435 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1436 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90288c1437 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1438 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1439 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 872,493.

-30- 327
#90288c1441 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c1442 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c1443 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c1444 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 20,500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c1445 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c1446 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c1447 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c1449 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90288c1450 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,079,738.

-30- 308
#90288c1451 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90288c1452 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90288c1453 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90288c1454 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90288c1455 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 20,500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90288c1457 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90288c1458 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90288c1459 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90288c1460 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90288c1461 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,437,861.

-30- 297
#90288c1462 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, D R JOHNSON, OFFICER OF MODINE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: MODI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,819.

-30- 329
#90288c1463 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MODINE MANUF CO ESOIP, BEN. OWNER OF MODINE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: MODI), BOUGHT 71,718 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90288c1465 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, FRED D HAFER, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,059.

-30- 314
#90288c1466 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ANITA A SUMMERS, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 314
#90288c1467 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, C WILLIAM LEE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MATRIX SERVICE CO. (TICKER: MTRX), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 490,000.

-30- 327
#90288c1468 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MARTIN L RINEHART, VP OF MATRIX SERVICE CO. (TICKER: MTRX), SOLD 90,000 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 450,000.

-30- 309
#90288c1469 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ROBERT B WAGONER, VP OF MATRIX SERVICE CO. (TICKER: MTRX), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 228,750.

-30- 307
#90288c1470 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, DOYL D WEST, PRES. OF MATRIX SERVICE CO. (TICKER: MTRX), SOLD 180,000 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 360,000.

-30- 304
#90288c1471 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 05, 1990, JOHN N PALMER, CHAIRMAN OF MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS

TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: MTTL), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 885,818.

-30- 374
#90288c1473 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c1474 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1475 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1476 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 20,400 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c1477 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1478 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c1479 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1481 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1482 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1483 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1484 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1485 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1486 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c1487 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1489 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1490 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1491 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 27,800 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c1492 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 10,800 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90288c1493 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,649,000.

-30- 333
#90288c1494 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c1495 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c1497 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 20,400 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c1498 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c1499 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c1500 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c1501 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 10,400 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c1502 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c1503 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c1505 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c1506 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c1507 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c1508 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c1509 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c1510 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90288c1511 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90288c1513 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 10,800 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c1514 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,649,000.

-30- 302
#90288c1515 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, HOWARD J BRESSLER, SHAREHOLDER OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $56.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c1516 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HOWARD J BRESSLER, SHAREHOLDER OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $58.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c1517 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, HOWARD J BRESSLER, SHAREHOLDER OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $60.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90288c1518 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, HOWARD J BRESSLER, SHAREHOLDER OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 1,008 SHARES AT $61.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c1519 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, HOWARD J BRESSLER, SHAREHOLDER OF MAXXAM INC. (TICKER: MXM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $61.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c1521 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOHN C SAWHILL, DIR. OF NACCO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 301
#90288c1522 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOHN J SULLIVAN, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,800.

-30- 336
#90288c1523 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c1524 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c1525 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c1526 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90288c1527 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 8,800 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 306
#90288c1529 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 08, 1990, DENNIS G NEWKIRK, VP OF NL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90288c1530 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, DENNIS G NEWKIRK, VP OF NL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NL), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

-30- 292
#90288c1531 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 03, 1990, DAVID L PETERSEN, OFFICER OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90288c1532 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, DAVID L PETERSEN, OFFICER OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90288c1533 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, DAVID L PETERSEN, OFFICER OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $1.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,200.

-30- 334
#90288c1534 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, D WAYNE GITTINGER, DIR. OF NORDSTROM INC. (TICKER: NOBE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,692.

-30- 312
#90288c1535 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, BARBARA KANAYA, VP OF NORDSTROM INC. (TICKER: NOBE), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,085.

-30- 293
#90288c1537 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c1538 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90288c1539 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 9,200 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c1540 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c1541 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c1542 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90288c1543 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c1545 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $3.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c1546 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90288c1547 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90288c1548 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,032,904.

-30- 308
#90288c1549 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 100,099 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90288c1550 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, WILLIAM A HODDER, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,202.

-30- 313
#90288c1551 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, GLEN D NELSON, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,200.

-30- 314
#90288c1553 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHN G TURNER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWNL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 3,181.

-30- 333
#90288c1554 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, WILLIAM SCOTT HEDRICK, DIR. OF THE OFFICE CLUB INC. (TICKER: OCLB), BOUGHT 195,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 565,666.

-30- 329
#90288c1555 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 12,300 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90288c1556 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90288c1557 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, NEDERLAND BV CARREFOUR, BEN. OWNER OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,359,000.

-30- 338
#90288c1558 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, NICHOLAS P COLLINS, DIR. OF OREGON METALLURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: OREM), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 326
#90288c1559 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JEANETTE O EFRON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHMAN'S SPORTING GOODS INC. (TICKER: OSHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90288c1561 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, RAY M EVANS JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ONE VALLEY BANCORP OF WEST VIRGINIA INC. (TICKER: OVWV), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 753,782.

-30- 390
#90288c1562 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JOHN L D PAYNE, DIR. OF ONE VALLEY BANCORP OF WEST VIRGINIA INC. (TICKER: OVWV), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 216,763.

-30- 361
#90288c1563 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, WILLIAM J WHIPPLE, OFFICER OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,054.

-30- 347
#90288c1564 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, REX CROSLAND, CHAIRMAN OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $4.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90288c1565 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, REX CROSLAND, CHAIRMAN OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1566 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, REX CROSLAND, CHAIRMAN OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 9,900 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90288c1567 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, REX CROSLAND, CHAIRMAN OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90288c1569 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, REX CROSLAND, CHAIRMAN OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1570 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, REX CROSLAND, CHAIRMAN OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $4.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 721,003.

-30- 338
#90288c1571 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, R E PUGH, DIR. OF PEOPLES FIRST CORP. (TICKER: PFKY), BOUGHT 4,800 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,702.

-30- 304
#90288c1572 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c1573 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1990, LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 5,100 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,641,691.

-30- 328
#90288c1574 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,701,691.

-30- 330
#90288c1575 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90288c1577 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90288c1578 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,704,591.

-30- 324
#90288c1579 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, LNC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90288c1580 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LNC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,418,130.

-30- 339
#90288c1581 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 11, 1990, LNC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90288c1582 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1990, LNC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 5,100 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,306,230.

-30- 324
#90288c1583 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, LNC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,366,230.

-30- 326
#90288c1585 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, LNC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,369,130.

-30- 320
#90288c1586 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ALFRED J SCHLETTE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PHOENIX NETWORK INC. (TICKER: PHXN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90288c1587 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ALFRED J SCHLETTE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PHOENIX NETWORK INC. (TICKER: PHXN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90288c1588 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ALFRED J SCHLETTE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PHOENIX NETWORK INC. (TICKER: PHXN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 620,000.

-30- 346
#90288c1589 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, G FELDA HARDYMON, DIR. OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC), SOLD 3,360 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,666.

-30- 332
#90288c1590 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JACKSON H RANDOLPH, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 318
#90288c1591 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ROBERT K GRAY, CHAIRMAN OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90288c1593 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ROBERT K GRAY, CHAIRMAN OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90288c1594 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ROBERT K GRAY, CHAIRMAN OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 170,915.

-30- 314
#90288c1595 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 426,041 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90288c1596 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 609,041.

-30- 330
#90288c1597 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 426,041 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90288c1598 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,652,091.

-30- 337
#90288c1599 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ADAM JANAS, BEN. OWNER OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90288c1601 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), BOUGHT 20,100 SHARES AT $44.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1602 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $44.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c1603 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c1604 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), BOUGHT 9,900 SHARES AT $42.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 284

#90288c1605 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $42.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c1606 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $42.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,110,166.

-30- 326
#90288c1607 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, THOMAS S STELLINGER, VP OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 599.

-30- 328
#90288c1609 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, BENJAMIN S KONOPACKI, CHAIRMAN OF PULSE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PULS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,500.

-30- 326
#90288c1610 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ELLEN FOULKE, AFFILIATED PERSON OF QSR INC. (TICKER: QSRI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 732,600.

-30- 317
#90288c1611 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, GAIL M MCDONALD, OFFICER OF RYDER SYSTEM INC. (TICKER:

R), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,353.

-30- 316
#90288c1612 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, GAIL M MCDONALD, OFFICER OF RYDER SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: R), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,922.

-30- 311
#90288c1613 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JEFFREY J MURPHY, VP OF RYDER SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: R), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,966.

-30- 303
#90288c1614 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JEFFREY J MURPHY, VP OF RYDER SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: R), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,309.

-30- 300
#90288c1615 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM O STEINFORT, OFFICER OF THE RAYMOND CORP. (TICKER: RAYM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 315
#90288c1617 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, DAVID ROCKEFELLER, CHAIRMAN OF ROCKEFELLER CENTER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: RCP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1618 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DAVID ROCKEFELLER, CHAIRMAN OF ROCKEFELLER CENTER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: RCP), BOUGHT 10,100 SHARES AT $16.97 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1619 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DAVID ROCKEFELLER, CHAIRMAN OF ROCKEFELLER CENTER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: RCP), BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES AT $16.97 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c1620 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DAVID ROCKEFELLER, CHAIRMAN OF ROCKEFELLER CENTER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: RCP), BOUGHT 6,300 SHARES AT $17.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c1621 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DAVID ROCKEFELLER, CHAIRMAN OF ROCKEFELLER CENTER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: RCP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $17.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,000.

-30- 361
#90288c1622 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PETER J DAVENPORT, VP OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,130.

-30- 325
#90288c1623 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, INTERWEST PARTNERS III, BEN. OWNER OF RADIUS INC. (TICKER: RDUS), SOLD 97,074 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,573,364.

-30- 335
#90288c1625 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,285 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90288c1626 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 11,049 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90288c1627 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,038 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90288c1628 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 936 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90288c1629 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 918 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90288c1630 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,421 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90288c1631 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 12,220 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90288c1633 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,035 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90288c1634 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,015 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,349,941.

-30- 351
#90288c1635 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, O WAYNE ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,233 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90288c1636 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, O WAYNE ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 10,606 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90288c1637 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, O WAYNE ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 3,876 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90288c1638 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, O WAYNE ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 899 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90288c1639 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, O WAYNE ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 881 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,826,714.

-30- 348
#90288c1641 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 11,049 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90288c1642 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 4,038 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90288c1643 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 936 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90288c1644 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 918 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90288c1645 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,776 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90288c1646 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 15,276 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90288c1647 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 5,582 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90288c1649 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 1,268 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,531,115.

-30- 354
#90288c1650 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, RICHARD A VANDEUREN, DIR. OF REXWORKS INC. (TICKER: REXW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,500.

-30- 311
#90288c1651 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ROBERT L KILIAN, OFFICER OF REYNOLDS & REYNOLDS CO. (TICKER: REY), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 324
#90288c1652 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90288c1653 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, RLI ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF RLI CORP. (TICKER: RLI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,502,305.

-30- 294
#90288c1654 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, GIANT GROUP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90288c1655 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, GIANT GROUP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90288c1657 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, GIANT GROUP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90288c1658 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, GIANT GROUP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90288c1659 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, GIANT GROUP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90288c1660 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, GIANT GROUP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY), BOUGHT 20,500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c1661 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GIANT GROUP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c1662 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, GIANT GROUP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $14.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90288c1663 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, GIANT GROUP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90288c1665 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, GIANT GROUP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,052,089.

-30- 318
#90288c1666 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, GIANT GROUP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY), BOUGHT 136,180 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,188,269.

-30- 322
#90288c1667 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, NICHOLAS A CALABRO, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), SOLD 170 SHARES AT $39.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,082.

-30- 333
#90288c1668 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 4,600 SHARES AT $44.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1669 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $44.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1670 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $43.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1671 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $43.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1673 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1674 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $43.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1675 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $42.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1676 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $42.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1677 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $42.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1678 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $41.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1679 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $41.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1681 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $41.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1682 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $41.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1683 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1684 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $38.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1685 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $38.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1686 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 9,100 SHARES AT $38.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1687 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $38.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90288c1689 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $38.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90288c1690 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,941,759.

-30- 331
#90288c1691 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 4,600 SHARES AT $44.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1692 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $44.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c1693 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $43.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c1694 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $43.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1695 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1697 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $43.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1698 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $42.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1699 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $42.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1700 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $42.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1701 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $41.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1702 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $41.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1703 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $41.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1705 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $41.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1706 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1707 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $38.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1708 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $38.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1709 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 9,100 SHARES AT $38.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1710 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $38.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c1711 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $38.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1713 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,961,610.

-30- 338
#90288c1714 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, LAWRENCE J SCHORR, PRES. OF RESOURCE RECYCLING TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: RRT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90288c1715 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LAWRENCE J SCHORR, PRES. OF RESOURCE RECYCLING TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: RRT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,584.

-30- 347
#90288c1716 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ERIC R BENSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CRUISE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: RVR), BOUGHT 490 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 790.

-30- 331
#90288c1717 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ERIC R BENSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CRUISE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: RVR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90288c1718 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ERIC R BENSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CRUISE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: RVR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 332
#90288c1719 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, RANDALL S SMALLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CRUISE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: RVR), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90288c1721 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, RANDALL S SMALLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CRUISE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: RVR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 303,607.

-30- 343
#90288c1722 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 96,100 SHARES AT $29.24 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1723 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 124,300 SHARES AT $29.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c1724 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 162,100 SHARES AT $29.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c1725 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 88,000 SHARES AT $29.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1726 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 197,200 SHARES AT $28.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c1727 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 115,300 SHARES AT $28.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c1729 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 87,500 SHARES AT $27.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1730 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 135,880 SHARES AT $27.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90288c1731 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 33,700 SHARES AT $27.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1732 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 34,100 SHARES AT $27.42 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1733 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $27.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1734 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 34,600 SHARES AT $26.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1735 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 37,400 SHARES AT $26.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1737 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 36,200 SHARES AT $26.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1738 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 35,200 SHARES AT $25.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1739 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 37,800 SHARES AT $24.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1740 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 37,800 SHARES AT $25.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1741 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 13, 1987, GREGORY A SOULDS, OFFICER OF SYNBIOTICS CORP. (TICKER: SBIO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90288c1742 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1987, GREGORY A SOULDS, OFFICER OF SYNBIOTICS CORP. (TICKER: SBIO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.84 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90288c1743 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1988, GREGORY A SOULDS, OFFICER OF SYNBIOTICS CORP. (TICKER: SBIO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90288c1745 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1988, GREGORY A SOULDS, OFFICER OF SYNBIOTICS CORP. (TICKER: SBIO), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90288c1746 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1988, GREGORY A SOULDS, OFFICER OF SYNBIOTICS CORP. (TICKER: SBIO), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c1747 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1989, GREGORY A SOULDS, OFFICER OF SYNBIOTICS CORP. (TICKER: SBIO), SOLD 325 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90288c1748 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, PETER NISSELSON, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SPEED-O-PRINT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP. (TICKER: SBM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 515,752.

-30- 401
#90288c1749 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JOHN K HOUSSELS III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SHOWBOAT INC. (TICKER: SBO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1750 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOHN K HOUSSELS III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SHOWBOAT INC. (TICKER: SBO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90288c1751 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHN K HOUSSELS III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SHOWBOAT INC. (TICKER: SBO), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,150.

-30- 329
#90288c1753 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c1754 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c1755 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c1756 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c1757 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c1758 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90288c1759 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90288c1761 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, GREGORY F TAYLOR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 339
#90288c1762 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, GREGORY F TAYLOR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c1763 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, GREGORY F TAYLOR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,385.

-30- 340
#90288c1764 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, SHAREHOLDER OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90288c1765 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, SHAREHOLDER OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90288c1766 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, SHAREHOLDER OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 188,898.

-30- 339
#90288c1767 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, WILLIAM F WHITE, DIR. OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,000.

-30- 315
#90288c1769 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, RAINBOW CRUISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF REGENCY CRUISES INC. (TICKER: SHIP), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c1770 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, RAINBOW CRUISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF REGENCY CRUISES INC. (TICKER: SHIP), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $2.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,082,500.

-30- 343
#90288c1771 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, RAINBOW CRUISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF REGENCY CRUISES INC. (TICKER: SHIP), BOUGHT 110,000 SHARES AT $1.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90288c1772 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, RAINBOW CRUISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF REGENCY CRUISES INC. (TICKER: SHIP), BOUGHT 450,000 SHARES AT $1.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,584,250.

-30- 345
#90288c1773 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, RAINBOW CRUISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF REGENCY CRUISES INC. (TICKER: SHIP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c1774 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, RAINBOW CRUISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF REGENCY CRUISES INC. (TICKER: SHIP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90288c1775 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, RAINBOW CRUISES INC, BEN. OWNER OF REGENCY CRUISES INC. (TICKER: SHIP), BOUGHT 1,750 SHARES AT $2.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90288c1777 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1989, MELVIN D SACKS, DIR. OF SCHULMAN (A.) INC. (TICKER: SHLM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $33.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,928.

-30- 313
#90288c1778 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1989, MELVIN D SACKS, DIR. OF SCHULMAN (A.) INC. (TICKER: SHLM), SOLD 1,250 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 109,678.

-30- 313

#90288c1779 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 17, 1990, MELVIN D SACKS, DIR. OF SCHULMAN (A.) INC. (TICKER: SHLM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 108,978.

-30- 313
#90288c1780 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, MELVIN D SACKS, DIR. OF SCHULMAN (A.) INC. (TICKER: SHLM), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,478.

-30- 313
#90288c1781 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, PAUL B SHORE, CHAIRMAN OF SHOREWOOD PACKAGING CORP. (TICKER: SHOR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,407,207.

-30- 336
#90288c1782 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, LELAND E BOREN, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 169,113.

-30- 297
#90288c1783 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JACK S SCHIFFMAN, DIR. OF SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SNV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,339.

-30- 327
#90288c1785 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, RONALD D JARVIS, DIR. OF SOCIETY FOR SAVINGS BANCORP.

(TICKER: SOCS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,820.

-30- 338
#90288c1786 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ROBERT A WEINERMAN, DIR. OF SOCIETY FOR SAVINGS BANCORP. (TICKER: SOCS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90288c1787 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ROBERT A WEINERMAN, DIR. OF SOCIETY FOR SAVINGS BANCORP. (TICKER: SOCS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90288c1788 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ROBERT A WEINERMAN, DIR. OF SOCIETY FOR SAVINGS BANCORP. (TICKER: SOCS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,110.

-30- 343
#90288c1789 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JOHN J GEAREN, DIR. OF ST. PAUL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SPBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90288c1790 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JOHN J GEAREN, DIR. OF ST. PAUL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SPBC), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,812.

-30- 318
#90288c1791 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, CHARLES W DENNY III, VP OF SQUARE D CO. (TICKER: SQD), SOLD 605 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,048.

-30- 295
#90288c1793 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, SAMI I SAMANI, DIR. OF STANSBURY HOLDINGS CORP. (TICKER: STBY), BOUGHT 84,000 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,595,500.

-30- 327
#90288c1794 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LAWRENCE A LEHMKUHL, PRES. OF ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: STJM), SOLD 9,500 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,728.

-30- 328
#90288c1795 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JUDY S MCCALEB, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SIERRA TUCSON COS INC. (TICKER: STSN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,791.

-30- 341
#90288c1796 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WILLIAM T SMITH, DIR. OF TANDY CORP. (TICKER: TAN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 293
#90288c1797 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROBERT F GURNEE, DIR. OF THAI CAPITAL FUND INC. (TICKER: TC), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90288c1798 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c1799 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c1801 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c1802 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c1803 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c1804 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c1805 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 7,200 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c1806 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $14.11 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c1807 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c1809 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90288c1810 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90288c1811 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 150,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,257,222.

-30- 365
#90288c1812 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DAVID H FINE, VP OF THERMEDICS INC. (TICKER: TMD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,152.

-30- 295
#90288c1813 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ALVIN B KENNEDY JR, DIR. OF TEAM INC. (TICKER: TMI), SOLD 1,600 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90288c1814 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ALVIN B KENNEDY JR, DIR. OF TEAM INC. (TICKER: TMI), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90288c1815 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ALVIN B KENNEDY JR, DIR. OF TEAM INC. (TICKER: TMI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90288c1817 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ANDREW A SCHATTE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TEAM INC. (TICKER: TMI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 322
#90288c1818 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, T KEVIN DUNNIGAN, PRES. OF THOMAS & BETTS CORP. (TICKER:

TNB), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $42.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90288c1819 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, T KEVIN DUNNIGAN, PRES. OF THOMAS & BETTS CORP. (TICKER: TNB), SOLD 3,800 SHARES AT $41.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,296.

-30- 320
#90288c1820 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DAVID M THOBURN, DIR. OF THE TRANZONIC COS. (TICKER: TNZ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 301
#90288c1821 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JAMES R GREENE, DIR. OF UNITED TOTE INC. (TICKER: TOTE), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 301
#90288c1822 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, SYLVESTER J STEINES, VP OF TRAK AUTO CORP. (TICKER: TRKA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 315
#90288c1823 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, BRUCE D COWEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TRC COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: TRR), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90288c1825 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, BRUCE D COWEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TRC COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: TRR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 134,492.

-30- 334
#90288c1826 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GEOFFREY T SELZER, DIR. OF TYCO TOYS INC. (TICKER: TTOY), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 308
#90288c1827 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, J PAUL DAVIGNON, OFFICER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 321
#90288c1828 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, J PAUL DAVIGNON, OFFICER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,100.

-30- 322
#90288c1829 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, WILLIAM MCCULLOCH, OFFICER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 3,250 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,250.

-30- 326
#90288c1830 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, PAUL L KOHNSTAMM, DIR. OF UNIVERSAL FOODS CORP. (TICKER: UFC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90288c1831 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, PAUL L KOHNSTAMM, DIR. OF UNIVERSAL FOODS CORP. (TICKER: UFC), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,643.

-30- 323
#90288c1833 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, CHARLES M BRENNAN III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90288c1834 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CHARLES M BRENNAN III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 337
#90288c1835 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, WALTER G ARADER, DIR. OF UNITEL VIDEO INC. (TICKER: UNV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,000.

-30- 304
#90288c1836 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HERBERT BASS, DIR. OF UNITEL VIDEO INC. (TICKER: UNV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,657.

-30- 303
#90288c1837 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ALEX GEISLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNITEL VIDEO INC. (TICKER: UNV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,850.

-30- 333
#90288c1838 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BARRY KNEPPER, OFFICER OF UNITEL VIDEO INC. (TICKER: UNV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90288c1839 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BARRY KNEPPER, OFFICER OF UNITEL VIDEO INC. (TICKER: UNV), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $5.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,800.

-30- 315
#90288c1841 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, STEPHEN KNEPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNIVERSAL SECURITY INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: USEC), BOUGHT 3,250 SHARES AT $1.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90288c1842 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, STEPHEN KNEPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNIVERSAL SECURITY INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: USEC), BOUGHT 3,950 SHARES AT $1.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90288c1843 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, STEPHEN KNEPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNIVERSAL SECURITY INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: USEC), BOUGHT 5,250 SHARES AT $1.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 119,173.

-30- 373

#90288c1844 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, KARL M THOMAS, OFFICER OF UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: UTX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $48.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,490.

-30- 326
#90288c1845 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DONALD J PERACCHI, DIR. OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,057.

-30- 332
#90288c1846 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, LARRY A SHEHADEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90288c1847 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, LARRY A SHEHADEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 325,962.

-30- 360
#90288c1849 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, CHUGAI BOYEKI (AMERICA) CORP, BEN. OWNER OF VICON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: VII), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90288c1850 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, CHUGAI BOYEKI (AMERICA) CORP, BEN. OWNER OF VICON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: VII), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90288c1851 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CHUGAI BOYEKI (AMERICA) CORP, BEN. OWNER OF VICON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: VII), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90288c1852 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CHUGAI BOYEKI (AMERICA) CORP, BEN. OWNER OF VICON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: VII), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 317,315.

-30- 345
#90288c1853 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DAVID BONDERMAN, DIR. OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 460,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,844,044.

-30- 326
#90288c1854 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PETER T JOSEPH, DIR. OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 460,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,068,562.

-30- 324
#90288c1855 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, MICHAEL I GINSBERG, DIR. OF WESTAIR HOLDING INC. (TICKER: WAH), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 228,042.

-30- 323
#90288c1857 10/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, E JONES WARREN, DIR. OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90288c1858 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, E JONES WARREN, DIR. OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90288c1859 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, E JONES WARREN, DIR. OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90288c1860 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, E JONES WARREN, DIR. OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90288c1861 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, E JONES WARREN, DIR. OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,090.

-30- 294
#90288c1862 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JOHN F GEISSE, CHAIRMAN OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC. (TICKER: WHLS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 502,028.

-30- 324

#90288c1863 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GARY W KNOTTS, VP OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC. (TICKER: WHLS), SOLD 272 SHARES AT $12.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90288c1865 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF WOLF FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: WOFG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 434,243.

-30- 340
#90288c1866 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, HERBERT I LONDON, DIR. OF WORLD INCOME FUND INC. (TICKER: WOI), BOUGHT 1,550 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,798.

-30- 317
#90288c1867 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JOHN B ASHMUN, CHAIRMAN OF WAINOCO OIL CORP. (TICKER: WOL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 674,962.

-30- 317
#90288c1868 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, FREDERICK I BROWN JR, DIR. OF WORTHEN BANKING CORP. (TICKER: WOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,250.

-30- 322
#90288c1869 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, LARRY E CLARK, DIR. OF WHITING PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER:

WPCO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.46 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 494,000.

-30- 322
#90288c1870 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, KENNETH W KEEGAN, PRES. OF WORTH CORP. (TICKER: WRTH), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.91 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,658,213.

-30- 304
#90288c1871 10/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, EILEEN P MASSARO, VP OF WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORP. (TICKER: WX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $32.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,244.

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#90288d0350 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WARSAW (OCT 15) - The president of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) in eastern Europe, Jacques Attali, arrived here Monday to set up the bank's activities in Poland.

He was to spend two days talking to Poland's leading politicians and economists to "establish the Polish government's needs and fix its priorities " a spokesman for Mr. Attali said.

The bank plans to begin financing projects in Poland after the institution's 42 founding nations have completed ratification of its statutes by March 1991.

The EBRD was founded earlier this year with a capital of 10 billion European currency units (about 12 billion dollars) to help the newly democratized nations of eastern Europe move from a centrally-planned to a market economy.

Mr. Attali was scheduled to meet Polish Finance Minister Leszek Balcerowicz Monday, and Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki and President Wojciech Jaruzelski on Tuesday.

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LONDON (OCT 15) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,352.50 (1,371.00) 1,330.50 (1,326.50)
Lead 367.00 (394.50) 370.50 (386.50)
Zinc Sh 1,349.00 (1,359.00) 1,346.00 (1,346.50)
Tin 6,345.00 (6,205.00) 6,365.00 (6,235.00)
Aluminium 1,887.50 (1,857.50) 1,772.50 (1,751.00)
Nickel 9,025.00 (9,500.00) 8,662.50 (8,725.00)

(the last three in dollars per ton)

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#90288d0450 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (OCT 15) - A group of 44 Pakistani senators Monday attacked a as "blatant interference" a warning from a bloc of U.S. senators that deposed premier Benazir Bhutto should not be barred from upcoming elections.

In a letter to President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, quoted by the official Associated Press of Pakistan (APP), the senators said the views of the 53 U.S. senators amounted to "blatant interference" in Pakistan's internal affairs.

The historically close Pakistan-U.S. relationship is "bound to be affected if it is based on anything other than mutual respect for each other's sovereignty " the Pakistani senators said.

They were reacting to reports here that U.S. Democratic Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York and a bipartisan group of 52 more senators had jointly sent a letter to President George Bush on October 8.

In it, they expressed their concern over the August 6 dismissal of premier Benazir Bhutto's democratically elected government. Mr. Moynihan was quoted as saying: "Those who would subvert democracy in Pakistan are forewarned."

The letter warned that Pakistan-U.S. ties would take an "inevitable and severe turn for the worse" if elections were not held freely and fairly on schedule.

The Pakistani senators said the eligibility of election candidates "is not to be determined by U.S. senators but by courts established under the constitution and law of Pakistan."

They also regretted the refusal of the U.S. administration to certify to congress that Pakistan's nuclear programme was for peaceful applications. This has resulted in a blockage of U.S. aid to pakistan.

"This step is particularly regrettable because it has come at a time when Pakistan is facing threats on its borders and is under heavy pressure because of the Gulf situation," the senators said.

Under the Pakistani constitution, the indirectly elected 86-member senate enjoys immunity from dissolution. It has only two members from Ms. Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party.

The national assembly, elected on the basis of direct adult franchise, was dissolved by Mr. Ishaq Khan when he dismissed Ms. Bhutto on charges of misrule and corruption.

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#90288d0540 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (OCT 15) - Fifteen Spaniards arrived here Monday from Baghdad aboard a regularly scheduled Iraqi Airways flight following their release by Iraqi authorities, correspondents reported.

The former hostages were accompanied by leftist Spanish MP Cristina Almeida of Izquierda Unida, a coalition headed by the Spanish Communist Party and whose intervention secured their release.

The 15 were among 5,000 Western and Japanese nationals who have been held in Iraq to deter a feared attack by Western forces that were deployed in the Gulf region after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Since the invasion, 148 Spanish citizens have been allowed to leave Iraq and Kuwait.

A spokesman for the Spanish Foreign Ministry said Mrs. Almeida's delegation had no connection with the Spanish government.

"A nation cannot negotiate with someone who is holding people against their will," the spokesman said Saturday when Iraq's decision to release the 15 was announced.

-30- 1169

#90288d0650 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (OCT 15) - Distribution of relief food in the beleaguered Liberian capital, Monrovia, has been halted because of fighting there, according to reports here Monday.

The reports said the West African peacekeeping force was advancing rapidly against forces of the main rebel leader, Charles Taylor.

They said relief workers organized by the Belgian wing of the charity organization, Medicins Sans Frontiers, had pulled out because of heavy fighting. Local residents had also scattered in different directions.

The reports said distribution of food was halted Sunday at a major refugee camp at the university campus which last week housed about 100,000 people.

Thousands of people are starving in Liberia, where about ten months of a bloody civil war has destroyed the country's economy and infrastucture. People are also dying due to lack of medicine.

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#90288d0880 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 15) - France continued to run a current account deficit in August with a shortfall of 2.3 billion francs (about 450 million dollars), against a deficit of 4.5 billion francs in July, the Economics Ministry announced here on Monday.

Those figures are seasonally corrected. In uncorrected and estimated figures, the current balance in August showed a deficit of 780 million francs,

following a shortfall of 1.8 billion francs the previous month, the ministry said.

For the first eight months of the year, the current account, seasonally corrected, is in deficit by 16.7 billion francs, compared with one of 12.1 billion for the same period last year. The gross figures for the two periods are 20.3 billion francs for this year agaist 14.3 billion for the first eight months last year.

France had a merchandise trade deficit on a balance of payments basis of 3.8 billion francs in August, and the cumulative deficit so far this year is estimated at 43.9 billion, a bit less than the 46.4-billion-franc shortfall for the first eight months last year.

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#90288d1010 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (OCT 15) - Sweden enjoyed a trade surplus of 1.6 billion kronor (about 280 million dollars) in September, half of the 3.2 billion recorded for the same month last year, the Central Statistics Office here announced on Monday.

It said exports amounted to 28.8 billion kronor, and imports to 27.2 billion.

For September last year, exports were 29.9 billion kronor and imports 26.7 billion. This means that exports in September were down by four percent from a year earlier, while imports were up by two percent.

The office said that imports and exports of oil products taken together caused a decline of around 1.7 billion kronor in the September trade balance compared

to a year earlier.

For the first nine months of the year, exports totaled 250.3 billion kronor and imports to 236.6 billion, against 244.4 billion and 228.8 billion for the corresponding period last year.

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#90288d1430 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (OCT 15) - Swedish auto-maker Saab Automobile AB suffered a loss of more than two billion kronor (350 million dollars) for the first eight months of the year, manager Georg Karnsund said here on Monday.

He said sales for the period amounted to 9.7 billion kronor, down almost 10 percent from the corresponding period last year. SAAB sold 65,100 vehicles in the period, against 79,400 in the same period in 1989.

The firm shed 1,500 employees during the first eight months, and now has 15,300.

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#90288d1810 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT 15) - Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi Monday ordered repatriation of Rwandan refugees in Kenya, shortly before holding talks with Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana at Nakuru, 160 kilometres (100 miles) west of here, the Kenyan Broadcasting Corporation (KBC) radio reported.

President Moi told a rally at Nakuru's Afraha Stadium Monday afternoon that Kenya will not harbour any refugee who is found to be engaging in destabilising his country of origin, the KBC radio said.

President Moi told the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) in Nairobi to repatriate or take elsewhere Rwandan refugees in Kenya, "who had engaged in unbecoming behavior in their country".

The order by the Kenyan president came shortly before President Moi was due to hold talks with President Habyarimana, who flew from here to Nakuru later in the afternoon, to brief him on the curerrent situation in Rwanda.

Major-General Habyarimana arrived here early Monday for talks with Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens on ways of ending this month's fighting between rebels invading from Uganda and Rwandan government forces.

The rebels of the Rwandan Patriotic Front are mainly minority Tutsi refugees who left Rwanda at the height of tribal massacres more than three decades ago and have been serving in Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni's National Resistance Army since he came to power in January 1986.

The guerrillas invaded Rwanda on October 1 in an attempt to overthrow the majority Hutu regime of President Habyarimana.

Hutus constitute 90 percent of Rwanda's estimated 7.5 million population.

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#90288d2300 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 15) - The United States said Monday it did not give Syria the green light to attack the Baabda presidential palace in Lebanon Saturday, forcing the surrender of Christian military leader Michel Aoun.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler denied the United States had indicated to Syrian President Hafez al-Assad that in return for his help in the international effort to push Iraq out of Kuwait, Washington would ignore an offensive to force out General Aoun.

"If you are asking me 'did the United States give Syria a green light,' I would tell you absolutely not," she said. "We did not give him any lights.

"At the request of the legitimate government of Lebanon, Syrian forces were asked to help," she said. "It is longstanding United States policy that all foreign forces in Lebanon leave."

Miss Tutwiler refused to speculate on whether Saturday's action improved the chances of an independent Lebanon under Syrian-backed President Elias Hrawi.

The United States had said Saturday that "now is the time for national reconciliation and a free, independent, sovereign Lebanon, free of foreign forces and armed militias."

Gen. Aoun, staunchly anti-Syrian, had controlled the Baabda palace and defense ministry for two years when Syrian troops and units of the Lebanese Army forced him out Saturday.

He took refuge at the French Embassy in Beirut.

Miss Tutwiler said the United States had always advised Gen. Aoun to step aside. "We have never taken a position on what should happen to him after doing so," she said.

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#90288d2580 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 16) - Japan's three long-term credit banks are considering reducing the long-term prime rate, possibly at the end of October, the Nihon Keizai Shimbun said Tuesday.

The influential Tokyo financial daily quoted banking sources as saying the the move was prompted by the steep decline of the benchmark interest-bearing bank debenture's yield in reaction to the stronger yen.

The long-term prime rate, currently 8.89 percent per year, is the lending rate that the Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan, Industrial Bank of Japan, and Japan Credit Bank offer to their major clients.

The long-term prime rate was last reduced at the end of May.

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#90288d7270 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 15) - Indonesia Monday announced that it has increased the October contract price of its main Minas crude for sale to Japan to 35.25 dollars a barrel.

Mines and Energy Minister Ginanjar Kartasasmita told reporters the new price represented an increase of more than seven dollars from last month's rate of 28.03 dollars.

Indonesia sets the price of its crude oil to Japan, its main client, in the middle of each month, under an agreed formula which takes into account the development in the spot markets of five Asian crudes.

Mr. Ginanjar said the Minas spot price last week hit a record high of 41 dollars before closing at 40 dollars on Friday.

Japan buys about half of Indonesia's crude exports of around 700,000 barrels per day.

Mr. Ginanjar said that although in terms of state earnings the higher oil price was good news, he was worried that the world economy would not be able to absorb oil costs of above 40 dollars.

"That's why we'd like to reiterate our appeal that industrial countries release their oil stocks to bring prices under control ahead of the winter (in the northern hemisphere)," he said.

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#90288d7540 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 15) - Japan achieved a foreign trade surplus of 6.9 billion dollars, down 3.9 percent from the surplus in the same month last year, the Finance Ministry reported Monday.

Exports in September rose 6.1 percent to nearly 25.8 billion dollars, while

imports increased by 10.3 percent to 18.9 billion dollars.

In its trade with the United States, Japan's surplus was 4.31 billion dollars, down 9.7 percent on the September 1989 figure.

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#90288d7940 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT. 15) - British retail sales rose by 0.5 percent in September compared with August, provisional official figures showed on Monday.

In the year to September sales rose by 0.2 percent.

The figures represented a slight recovery from the monthly fall of two per cent in August when the annual increase was 0.1 percent.

The treasury said that the figures reflected the government's firm political response to reduced inflation.

The Confederation of British Industry (CBI) published a report on Monday saying that the policy of high-interest rates to reduce inflation had caused sales of cars to fall in September and was responsible for other weak figures in trade and retailing.

But the CBI said that the recent one-point reduction in interest rates should boost sales in coming months. CBI official Nigel Whittaker said: "As mortgage rates are reduced over the coming months, consumers will in time be left with more money in their pockets."

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#90288d8160 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WELLINGTON (OCT. 15) - New Zealand's inflation rate fell dramatically according to official figures released here Monday but the ruling Labor Party's gamble in holding elections after the announcement seems unlikely to save them from defeat in a fortnight.

A public opinion poll Monday showed Labor closing on the opposition National Party but still trailing by 16 percent ahead of the October 27 polls.

Figures released by the Statistics Department put the consumer price index in the three months to September up one percent to give a five percent rate in the year.

For the 12 months to June inflation was running at 7.6 percent.

The figures showed housing costs were the biggest contributor, accounting for more than a third of the one percent increase while food was responsible for a

quarter of the rise.

Because the inflation figures were in line with market expectations the announcement had no impact on the stock exchange, interest rates or the New Zealand dollar.

In August then prime minister Geoffrey Palmer sought to time the election after the release of the inflation figures as it was known they would be good.

Monday's figures were the first annual rates which did not include a July 1989 2.5 percent increase in the goods and services tax which boosted inflation to 12.5 percent.

However, the Gulf crisis has pushed up oil prices which will inevitably have an impact on inflation. Observers here said Monday's good figures were seen more as an historical oddity than a trend for New Zealand's future.

Meanwhile, a Television New ZealandHeylen poll of 970 voters broadcast Monday showed support from decided voters for National dropping nine points to 50 percent while Labor had gained two points to 34 percent.

Pundits said National's 16 percent lead did not look so strong when the 33 percent of "don't knows" was taken into account.

The poll, taken on Saturday and compared with one two weeks ago, also showed incumbent Mike Moore with 28 percent support as the voters' preference for prime minister, up seven points, while opposition leader Jim Bolger was on 16 percent, up two points.

The poll also showed support for the Greens had increased to 10 percent, up six points, and New Labor remained steady on four percent.

Reacting to Monday's inflation rate Westpac Banking Corp. said it expected the December quarter figure to be between 1.5 and 2.0 percent -- taking annual price rises to between 5.3 and 5.8 percent.

Mr. Moore and Finance Minister David Caygill said the inflation figures compared favourably to Australia's rate of more than seven percent and Britain's rate of nearly 11 percent.

In a joint statement they said the results included some of the early effects of the oil price rise but the brunt of the increase would be felt over the next two quarters.

"Our trading partners must also pay more for their oil and this result provides New Zealand producers with a clear head start," they said.

Mr. Moore and Mr. Caygill said the one percent increase in prices in the

September quarter worked out at an annualized rate of 4.1 percent.

"Our policies are restoring this country's competitiveness, which is critical to more jobs," they said.

"It is no coincidence that New Zealand now has a lower inflation rate and lower interest rates than Australia.

"Countries which historically have very low interest rates, like Switzerland, Japan, and West Germany, also have good records of low inflation," they added.

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#90288d8220 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (OCT. 15) - Syria will begin later this month to pump 20,000 barrels of crude oil a day to Lebanon through a section of a pipeline that originates in Kirkuk, Iraq, and ends in the Mediterranean, the Middle East Economic Survey said Monday.

The Nicosia-based newsletter said the decision was contained in a deal signed between Lebanon and Syria earlier this month.

Under the terms of the agreement, Syria will supply the north Lebanon oil refinery at the Mediterranean port city of Tripoli with 20,000 bd for the first time since 1982.

The Kirkuk-Mediterranean pipeline was shut down in 1976 following differences between Iraq and Syria over the transit dues levied on Iraqi crude oil exports from the Mediterranean terminals, said MEES.

But the pipeline was subsequently opened from 1979 until March 1982 for export from the Syrian port of Banias and Tripoli, Lebanon.

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#90288d8270 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (OCT. 15) - Singapore and Brunei will send two aircraft with medical and relief supplies to Amman to help refugees stranded in Jordan since the Gulf crisis broke out in early August, officials here said Monday.

A foreign ministry statement said Singapore and Brunei would jointly commission two C-130 aircraft from the Republic of Singapore Air Force (RSAF) for the relief effort to be launched Monday.

On their return, the two aircraft will be used to evacuate Sri Lankan nationals still stranded in the refugee camp in Amman since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, the announcement added.

The statement said Singapore was deeply concerned about the "tense situation in the Gulf region and the well being and safety of foreign nationlas stranded there."

"The government of Singapore and the Government of Negara Brunei Darussalam, considering the human suffering and plight of these foreign nationals and in response to these latest appeals, have decided to jointly send two RSAF C-130s with medical and relief supplies to Amman," the statement said.

Singapore has strongly condemned Iraq's action and has given full support to the United Nations call for international sanctions against Baghdad.

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#90288d8320 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 15) - Levels of radioactivity on the big Arctic island of Novoya Zemlya, in the Soviet Union, are between 20 and 50 times the normal rate, the ecological action group Greenpeace said here.

Greenpeace, whose boat was briefly detained by the Soviet authorities in the Barents Sea on Saturday, is campaigning against Soviet nuclear testing in the region.

A Greenpeace statement on Sunday said that detectors placed on the island had found radiation levels of 50 becquerels per square centimetre. The normal level would be between one and three becquerels per square centimetre.

The organization said its vessel Greenpeace, which was towed to the Soviet Arctic port of Murmansk before being released at the weekend, was now headed towards the Norwegian port of Tromso.

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#90288d8330 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 15) - The South African mining house Gencor is to participate in a one billion pound project to exploit a major North Sea oil reserve, Business Day newspaper reported here Monday.

Gencor has an eight percent stake in the venture, which is managed by the U.S. group Chevron and involves several large oil companies from around the world, said Bernard Smith, the chairman of Gencor's energy subsidiary, Engen.

The oilfield is the Alba field, which is east of Aberdeen off the coast of Scotland.

The oil reservoir is 1,800 metres (yards) beneath the sea bed and contains some one billion barrels of oil.

Gencor also has an eight percent interest, with the same partners, in the Kilda field, a significant gas-condensate field lying under Alba.

The project to exploit the Alba field is subject to approval from the British Energy Department.

The first part of the project will cost about 600 million pounds and is expected to produce oil by 1994.

Mr. Smith said a technical feasibility study had been completed and the venture looks viable.

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#90288d8350 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 15) - Japan's Ushio Inc. said Monday it had bought Germany's BLV Licht und Vacuum Technik GmbH from Venture Lighting International Inc. of the United States for 19.4 million deutsche marks (12.8 million dollars).

The manufacturer of specialized lamps said the acquisition of the Munich-based lamp maker would help expand the activities of Ushio's seven sales offices and four plants abroad including supplies of local products.

Ushio, whose products are used in semiconductor and office equipment, also noted Japanese demand for BLV's expanded output of halogen and metal halide lamps.

The German company currently employs some 300 people and had sales of 20.6 million dollars last year, it said.

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#90288d8440 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 15) - Six university students forcibly taken to a hospital here by police after staging a demonstration demanding the resignation of Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan's government pledged Monday to continue their fight for democracy.

Wanchai Chupong, one of the six, told reporters at the Police Hospital where they are under psychiatric supervision that they would continue their protests until "genuine democracy" was achieved in Thailand.

"Without a democratic system, the poverty amongst the majority of the people cannot be solved," 33-year-old Mr. Wanchai said.

Seven Ramkhamhaeng University students were taken to the hospital late on Sunday after police broke up the demonstration in front of the Government House, which houses the prime minister's offices.

One student was allowed to return home late on Sunday after his family picked him up from the hospital. Five students plan to return home later on Monday while another is expected to remain in hospital for a few more days.

National Police Chief General Sawaeng Theerasawat stressed that the students were technically not under arrest but were being held under supervision for psychiatric treatment at Bangkok's Police Hospital.

Five psychiatric doctors assigned to look after the students said none showed any signs of suffering from mental problems.

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#90288d8540 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 15) - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze reiterated Monday Moscow's opposition to Japanese territorial claims over four islands which the Soviet Union seized at the end of World War II.

Addressing the Soviet parliament here, Mr. Shevardnadze said however that Moscow was willing to discuss joint economic development of these islands along with that of other Soviet territories.

Negotiations were currently taking place to hammer out a peace treaty with Japan, to formally end the world war hostilities, the minister said.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev is expected to make an official visit to Japan next April.

Questions of border delineation were also being discussed, but "we are not examining" the possibility of returning the four Kuril islands to Japan, Mr. Shevardnadze said.

"The question is not being examined as we believe there are neither historic, nor legal grounds for claims to be made against the Soviet Union," he added.

However, the joint economic exploitation of the islands and the setting up of joint ventures was a possibility, Mr. Shevardnadze said, adding that "such questions can be examined with regard to these islands and other territories of the Soviet Union".

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#90288d8550 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (OCT. 15) - British insistence that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's only choice is between leaving Kuwait willingly or at gunpoint was "arrogant", the official Iraqi news agency INA said on Monday.

It was referring to Sunday's speech in Cairo by British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd in which he told the Egyptian foreign ministry's diplomatic institute that "Saddam Hussein will withdraw from Kuwait. On this he has no choice. His only choice is whether to leave of his own free will or to leave at the point of a gun".

INA said that was the language of "supremacy and arrogance". Mr. Hurd was always threatening Iraq with cannons and thought he was still living at the time of the British Empire.

"He forgets the Iraqis fought his ancestors with sticks and stones and old rifles, and chased them from the country," the agency commented.

It said Iraqis were "impatient" to fight American, British or Zionist "aggressors to give them a new, unforgettable lesson".

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#90288d8560 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SIDON, LEBANON (OCT. 15) - Rival Shiite factions clashed with automatic weapons near here Monday leaving a member of the Iranian-backed Hezbollah movement dead, police.

The clash pitted members of the Syrian-backed Amal militia and a Hezbollah (Party of God) fighter, police said.

A spokesman for Amal confirmed the report but it was not immediately clear what prompted the bloodshed -- the latest in the endemic feud between the rival Shiite factions.

Amal sent reinforcements to Haret Saida, an eastern suburb of this port city and set up roadblocks while the nearest Hezbollah barracks at Arba village, one kilometer (mile) away, was placed on full alert.

The clash was the first in its kind to take place in five years in the Sidon region, home of Lebanon's two largest Palestinian refugee camps where an estimated 200,000 people live.

The secular Amal militia and the fundamentalist Hezbollah have been fighting since 1988 for the control of the Shiite community -- Lebanon's largest religious group.

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#90288d8640 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (OCT. 15) - The Palestinian Islamic Resistance, Hamas, on Monday urged Arabs to kill Jewish "blood suckers" to avenge the Israeli police killings of 21 Palestinians last week.

Hamas, in a statement distributed in the Israeli-occupied West Bank, also urged Palestinian residents of that territory to burn cotton fields in Israel on October 20, 21 and 22 and to observe a general strike Saturday.

These measures, the statement said, were aimed at protesting the police killings of 21 Palestinians on October 8 at the Temple Mount -- an east Jerusalem site sacred to both Moslems and Jews.

"Jews are proving each day that they are blood suckers with human faces and have always sown evil and conflicts ... every Jew or (Israeli) settler is a target that we must eliminate," the Hamas statement said.

The Israeli army earlier lifted a weeklong curfew of several Palestinian refugee camps and towns in the occupied Gaza Strip but kept a blockade of Gaza City and a curfew of the occupied West Bank, military sources here said.

But the entire Gaza Strip, declared by the army a "closed military zone", was off limits to journalists, they added.

The measures were imposed after the October 8 bloodbath in which some 150 Palestinians were also shot and wounded by Israeli police.

Palestinian sources said a general strike launched after the east Jerusalem shootings would continue to affect that part of the city, as well as the Gaza Strip and the West Bank.

-30- 1699

#90288d9190 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 15) - China faces a huge shortfall in food grains by the turn of the century unless it boosts production and cuts consumption, the China Daily said Monday.

China will need between 590 and 620 million tons of cereals by the year 2000 if its present population of 1.1 billion people continues to grow at the present rate, the official English-language newspaper said.

The country has set an output target of 500 million tons for the turn of the century, which Western experts believe to be unobtainable.

China is expecting a record grain crop of 422 million tons this year after a harvest 407.5 million tons in 1989.

Grain output is seen as a gauge of stability in China and the country's leaders have given priority to the agricultural sector this year.

Since 1984, consumption has increased at between 12 million and 15 million

tons each year, the newspaper said, adding that this figure could rise further as the population increased by up to 15 million people each year and the standard of living improved.

In the past few years China has imported some 10 million tons of grain annually, making it one of the world's largest buyers.

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#90288d9200 10/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (OCT 15) - The creditors, mostly Japanese, of collapsed merchant bank DFC New Zealand Ltd. were given an ultimatum Monday to accept a 2.2 billion New Zealand dollars (1.3 billion U.S) plan or face immediate winding up.

Statutory manager (receiver) Sandy Maier said in a statement here he was confident the plan would receive the required level of acceptance, at least 75 percent, by the November 16 deadline.

"If for some reason it does not, I will explore alternatives such as an immediate winding up," he said.

Set up by the government in 1964 as the Development Finance Corporation to provide development capital and advice to businesses, the DFC became a key New Zealand player in international money markets before emerging as a full-blown merchant bank in the 1980s.

In 1988 the government sold 80 percent of DFC to the National Provident Fund (NPF) and the remainder to U.S. investment firm Salomon Brothers for 111 million dollars (67 million U.S.), some 432 million dollars (263 million U.S.) below book value.

DFC suffered badly in the global stockmarket crash of 1987 and was placed in statutory management in 1989 when the accounts revealed shareholders' funds of 180 million dollars (109 million U.S.) were virtually wiped out by bad debt provisions

With Japanese banks heavy lenders the collapse created a severe political problem for Finance Minister David Caygill who insisted the government had no liability.

Under the plan, the government will pay 112 million dollars (68 million U.S.) in cash, provide currency swap transactions to hedge the DFC's currency exposure and sell to the DFC zero coupon notes to be used as collateral.

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#90288e0026 10/15/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (OCT. 15) EFE - Striking truck drivers blocked several main highways and closed frontier crossings, creating massive traffic pile-ups across Spain on Monday, traffic police said.

There were reports of violence in a number of provinces where pickets slashed tires and smashed windows of vehicles belonging to drivers who did not join the week-long strike.

Truckers are demanding an increase in hauling charges to compensate for hikes in gasoline prices.

Sources at the Transport Ministry said an agreement had been reached with independent truckers Monday to raise hauling prices by 4.5 per cent. But it was still not clear if this agreement had been accepted by all the strikers.

The situation has been aggravated by French truckers who have blocked the three main border crossings into Spain in retaliation for the Spanish strike that has left drivers stranded on the French side of the frontier.

Traffic officials estimated that some 4,000 trucks, many of them foreign, were entangled in the chaos of the border blockades.

British drivers said tensions were mounting in border areas and that police were doing little to alleviate the situation.

Bill Rogers, 45, from Cornwall, said one of his tires was slashed and three others removed when he drove his truck loaded with wine and steel into a blockade Thursday.

"Many of us have no food and no money. Something is going to crack here. Riot police are doing nothing," he said.

A man, believed to be a member of a picket, was run over and injured Monday when he tried to stop a van in the province of Alava, police said.

Pickets were reported to have damaged tires in the port of La Coruna where fish was rotting in the harbour because of the blockade.

All the main roads in the northern Basque provinces were blocked to truck traffic, police said.

Food shortages were reported in parts of Navarre province because of delays in deliveries.

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KATHMANDU (OCT. 15) XINHUA - OFFICE ROOMS OF THE NEPALESE MINISTRY OF LOCAL

DEVELOPMENT WAS FOUND VANDALIZED THIS MORNING.

WINDOW PANES WERE BROKEN. SOME FILES AND DOCUMENTS, TELEPHONE SETS, FANS, HEATERS, CALCULATORS AND NAME PLATES WERE THROWN OUT OF WINDOWS.

IN THE ROOMS, FURNITURE AND PAPERS WERE IN A MESS. A CABINET IN THE ACCOUNT SECTION OF THE DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION WAS RANSACKED AND A MONEY BAG CONTAINING 126 RUPEES (FOUR U.S. DOLLARS) WAS MISSING.

POLICE ARE INVESTIGATING THE INCIDENT.

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#90288h0136 10/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SAN JOSE (OCT. 15) XINHUA - HONDURAN PRESIDENT RAFAEL LEONARDO CALLEJAS HAS ANNOUNCED HONDURAS WILL ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

"I HOPE THAT IN A 12-MONTH PERIOD WE WILL HAVE AN EMBASSY IN MOSCOW," CALLEJAS TOLD A GROUP OF LOCAL REPORTERS, ACCORDING TO SUNDAY'S NEWSPAPERS. THE HONDURAN PRESIDENT WAS IN SAN JOSE TO ATTEND A SEMINAR ON THE FUTURE OF DEMOCRACY IN THE REGION.

CALLEJAS SAID HIS COUNTRY WISHES TO ESTABLISH NORMAL RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION BECAUSE IT IS ATTRACTED BY THE SOVIET MARKET POTENTIAL AND STATUS AS A MAJOR CONSUMER OF HONDURAN BANANAS.

"WE FEEL WE SHOULD BE PRESENT EVEN THOUGH IF IT IS SIMPLY FOR COMMERCIAL REASONS," HE SAID.

"WE SEE THE WORLD VERY PRACTICALLY, WITH VERY LITTLE IDEOLOGICAL CONFRONTATION " CALLEJAS SAID. "IN THAT SENSE, IT IS ESSENTIAL TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ALMOST ALL THE COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD."

CALLEJAS ALSO TALKED WITH COSTA RICAN REPORTERS ABOUT DISARMAMENT IN CENTRAL AMERICA, SAYING THE REGION SHOULD BEGIN BY DEFINING THE ACCEPTABLE SIZES OF THE DIFFERENT MILITARY STRUCTURES AND BY REDUCING THE AMOUNT OF OFFENSIVE WEAPONS IN THE REGION.

HONDURAS, ACCORDING TO CALLEJAS, HAS AN ARMY OF 22,000 MEN WHILE NICARAGUA HAS AN EXPERIENCED ARMY OF 80,000 TO 90,000 MEN. A REDUCTION IN MILITARY MIGHT MUST BEGIN WITH NICARAGUA, HE ADDED, SAYING THAT COUNTRY HAS CUT ITS MILITARY BUGDET BY 10 PERCENT.

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#90288h0139 10/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BRASILIA (OCT. 15) XINHUA - BRAZIL'S STATE-OWNED PETROLEUM COMPANY, PETROBRAS PLANS TO SEND A DELEGATION TO CUBA ON OCTOBER 28 FOR TALKS WITH THE CUBAN

AUTHORITIES THE POSSIBILITY OF JOINTLY EXPLORING OIL ALONG THE CUBAN COASTS.

ACCORDING TO LOCAL NEWS REPORTS, THE DECISION TO SEND A DELEGATION WAS MADE BY INFRASTRUCTURE MINISTER OZIRES SILVA AFTER CUBA'S MINISTER-PRESIDENT OF THE STATE COMMITTEE OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION, ERNESTO MELENDEZ BACH, ASKED SILVA DURING A RECENT VISIT IN SEPTEMBER WHETHER THE TWO COUNTRIES COULD SET UP A JOINT OIL EXPLORATION VENTURE.

THIS ISSUE WAS ALSO DICUSSED BY MELENDEZ AND BRAZILIAN FOREIGN MINISTER FRANCISCO REZEK RECENTLY.

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#90288k0019 10/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 15) KYODO - JAPAN'S CORPORATE BANKRUPTCIES FELL 15.9 PERCENT IN THE FIRST HALF OF FISCAL 1990 TO 3,070 CASES FROM A YEAR EARLIER, A PRIVATE CREDIT RESEARCH AGENCY SAID MONDAY.

TEIKOKU DATA BANK LTD. SAID, HOWEVER, THAT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF LIABILITIES ROSE 20.1 PERCENT TO 786.86 BILLION YEN DUE TO A GREATER NUMBER OF COMPANIES GOING BANKRUPT WITH LIABILITIES OF 10 BILLION YEN OR MORE.

THE NUMBER OF SUCH BANKRUPTCIES WAS 10, UP FROM 8 IN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR AGENCY OFFICIALS SAID.

AMID A TIGHTENING LABOR MARKET IN THE WAKE OF STRONG ECONOMIC EXPANSION, THE NUMBER OF COMPANIES GOING OUT OF BUSINESS DUE TO LABOR SHORTAGES NEARLY DOUBLED TO 159, THEY NOTED.

BECAUSE OF A SUBSTANTIAL SLUMP IN STOCK PRICES SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THIS YEAR, 47 COMPANIES FOLDED DUE TO LOSSES IN THEIR EQUITY HOLDINGS, THEY SAID.

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#90288k0022 10/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 15) KYODO - SALES AT DEPARTMENT STORES IN THE TOKYO REGION ROSE A HEALTHY 8.6 PERCENT FROM THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR TO 211.5 BILLION YEN, THE JAPAN DEPARTMENT STORES ASSOCIATION SAID MONDAY

THE FIGURE IS THE TOTAL OF SALES AT 26 OUTLETS OF 14 COMPANIES.

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#90288k0039 10/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 15) KYODO - K.K. KYODO NEWS SERVICE SAID MONDAY IT LAUNCHED A REAL-TIME JAPANESE-LANGUAGE INFORMATION SERVICE, CALLED KYODO K-II NEWS, THROUGH PC-VAN, A PERSONAL COMPUTER NETWORK DEVELOPED BY NEC CORP.

KYODO K-II NEWS, TRANSMITTED AROUND THE CLOCK, WILL FOCUS ON FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC NEWS FROM ITS PARENT, KYODO NEWS SERVICE INC., AS WELL AS AP-DJ OF THE U.S., WITH WHICH KYODO HAS AN EXCLUSIVE TIE-UP.

WOULD-BE USERS WILL PAY 110 YEN PER THREE MINUTES OF SERVICE. THE PC-VAN NETWORK, INTRODUCED BY NEC IN 1986, HAD 172,000 USERS AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER, AND IS THE LARGEST IN JAPAN, WITH ACCESS TO 96 CITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

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#90288k0048 10/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 15) KYODO - SHOKOCHUKIN BANK, A GOVERNMENT-RUN BANK FOR SMALL BUSINESSES, WILL OPEN A REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN HONG KONG ON NOVEMBER 20, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

THIS WILL BE THE BANK'S THIRD OFFICE ABROAD. IT NOW HAS A NEW YORK BRANCH OFFICE AND A LONDON REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE.

THE NEW OFFICE WILL PROVIDE INFORMATION ON INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN ASIA TO CLIENTS INTERESTED IN DOING BUSINESS IN THE AREA, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90288k0077 10/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 15) KYODO - THE PHILIPPINES POSTED A 12.5 PERCENT INFLATION RATE FROM JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR BASED ON THE COUNTRY'S CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, THE GOVERNMENT'S ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY ANNOUNCED MONDAY.

THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY SAID THE INFLATION RATE DURING THE FIRST NINE MONTHS WAS 2.9 PERCENTAGE POINTS HIGHER THAN THAT DURING THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

THE AGENCY SAID INFLATION DURING THE JULY-SEPTEMBER PERIOD THIS YEAR WAS PEGGED AT 11.6 PERCENT, ALMOST EQUAL THE RATE DURING THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX IS A BASKET OF BASIC COMMODITIES AND SERVICES. THE AGENCY SAID THE INFLATION RATE DURING THE JULY-SEPTEMBER PERIOD WAS HIGHER IN METROPOLITAN MANILA, SURGING TO 16.2 PERCENT, COMPARED TO THE 10.6 PERCENT IN AREAS OUTSIDE THE METROPOLIS.

THE HIGHEST GAIN WAS RECORDED BY THE INDEX FOR FUEL, LIGHT, AND WATER AT 23.4 PERCENT, FOLLOWED BY SERVICES AT 18.7 PERCENT, AND THE HOUSING AND REPAIRS INDEX AT 13.7 PERCENT.

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#90288k0078 10/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 15) KYODO - THE THAI GOVERNMENT ON MONDAY DECIDED TO ABOLISH A

CONTROVERSIAL PRESS CONTROL LAW, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED AFTER A WEEKLY CABINET MEETING.

THE GOVERNMENT DECISION WAS SEEN AS A BELATED, YET POSITIVE, RESPONSE TO A SEVEN-MONTH LONG NATIONWIDE CAMPAIGN LED BY THE REPORTERS ASSOCIATION OF THAILAND AGAINST THE LAW, KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE REFORM COUNCIL'S DECREE NO.42.

THE DECREE, FIRST PROPOSED IN 1976, HAS EMPOWERED OFFICIALS TO EXERCISE EXTENSIVE CONTROL OVER THE PRESS, INCLUDING THE CLOSING DOWN OF NEWSPAPERS WITHOUT TRIAL.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE CABINET DECIDED TO ORDER AN EXECUTIVE DECREE TO DEFINITELY ABOLISH DECREE 42 SINCE IT WAS NO LONGER SUITABLE TO THE COUNTRY'S CONDITION.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE REPORTERS ASSOCIATION OF THAILAND WELCOMED THE GOVERNMENT'S DECISION ON MONDAY BUT CAUTIONED THAT IT WAS NOT YET A DEFINITE VICTORY IN THEIR FIGHT, WHICH AIMS AT COMPLETE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION FOR THE PEOPLE.

HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAS YET TO WITHDRAW FROM THE NEXT PARLIAMENT SESSION ITS DRAFT NEW PRESS BILL, WHICH CONTAINS SIMILAR UNDEMOCRATIC MEASURES TO DECREE 42, TO COMPLETELY ESTABLISH A FREE-PRESS SOCIETY.

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#90288k0080 10/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 15) KYODO - TOTAL NEW INVESTMENTS IN THE PHILIPPINES FROM JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR AMOUNTED TO 6.28 BILLION PESOS (243.9 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), POSTING AN INCREASE OF 22 PERCENT OVER THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF LAST YEAR, THE COUNTRY'S PLANNING AGENCY SAID MONDAY.

THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (NEDA) SAID PAID-UP CAPITAL INVESTMENTS DURING THE JULY-SEPTEMBER QUARTER TOTALED 2.61 BILLION PESOS (101.4 MILLION DOLLARS), TWICE AS MUCH AS THAT POSTED DURING THE SECOND QUARTER THIS YEAR AND 11.3 PERCENT HIGHER THAN THE FIRST QUARTER.

NEDA SAID THAT ON A QUARTER-TO-QUARTER BASIS, NEW INVESTMENTS DURING THE THIRD QUARTER JUMPED BY 97.2 PERCENT, A TURNAROUND FROM THE NOSE DIVE OF 43.6 PERCENT DURING THE SECOND QUARTER.

INVESTMENTS DURING THE THIRD QUARTER WERE 30.6 PERCENT HIGHER, COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

DURING THE FIRST NINE MONTHS, NEDA SAID SERVICES AND MANUFACTURING SECTORS ACCOUNTED FOR 72.5 PERCENT AND 23.2 PERCENT OF TOTAL INVESTMENTS, RESPECTIVELY.

SERVICES AND MANUFACTURING SECTORS, IN TERMS OF GROWTH, POSTED THE HIGHEST MARKS OF 32.3 PERCENT AND 22.7 PERCENT.

NEDA SAID GROWTH IN AGRICULTURE, CONSTRUCTION, AND MINING SECTORS DECLINED BY 63.5 PERCENT, 38.2 PERCENT, AND 36.5 PERCENT, RESPECTIVELY.

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#90288k0081 10/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 15) KYODO - SUZUKI MOTOR CORP. SAID MONDAY IT PLANS TO SIGN AN OFFICIAL JOINT-VENTURE MANUFACTURING AGREEMENT WITH A HUNGARIAN PARTNER THIS YEAR TO PRODUCE SUBCOMPACT PASSENGER CARS IN EASTERN EUROPE, AFTER FINANCIAL DETAILS ARE SETTLED BETWEEN THE INVESTORS.

SUZUKI MOTOR, AUTOKONSZERN, AND A THIRD PARTNER, C. ITOH AND CO., WILL REVIEW DETAILS OF THE AGREEMENT WHEN AN INVESTIGATION TEAM FROM INTERNATIONAL FINANCE CORP. (IFC), A WORLD BANK AFFILIATE, ARRIVES IN JAPAN THIS WEEK. THE FOUR GROUPS ARE EXPECTED TO REVIEW THE FINANCIAL DETAILS OF THE FOREIGN INVESTMENT, AMOUNTING TO ABOUT 20 BILLION YEN, BEFORE CONCLUDING A FINAL AGREEMENT IN NOVEMBER, SUZUKI OFFICIALS SAID.

BASED ON THE JANUARY UNDERSTANDING, BOTH COMPANIES WERE EXPECTED TO SIGN AN OFFICIAL JOINT-VENTURE ACCORD IN SUMMER TO START UP PRODUCTION IN HUNGARY OF SUZUKI'S SUBCOMPACT, 5-DOOR, CULTUS 1000-1300 CC MODELS IN 1992, OFFICIALS SAID.

IN ADDITION, AUTOKONSZERN WAS EXPECTED TO HAVE A 50 PERCENT EQUITY STAKE, WHILE SUZUKI, C. ITOH AND THE IFC WOULD HOLD THE REST, THEY SAID.

BUT DELAYS EVOLVING FROM A NEWLY ELECTED HUNGARIAN ADMINISTRATION, A SLOW REVIEW PROCESS BY THE IFC AND AUTOKONSZERN'S AIM TO GAIN FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE ADVANTAGES THROUGH THE VENTURE, ALMOST RUINED ANY POSSIBILITY OF A FUTURE AGREEMENT, OFFICIALS ADDED.

FINALLY, ALL PARTIES AGREED THAT AUTOKONSZERN, MADE UP OF 50 PARTICIPATING HUNGARIAN FIRMS, WOULD HAVE A 40 PERCENT INTEREST IN THE NEW COMPANY, AND SUZUKI AND ITS PARTNERS WOULD GAIN A 60 PERCENT EQUITY STAKE, OFFICIALS SAID.

MOREOVER, THE JOINT-VENTURE FIRM WILL NOT BE REQUIRED TO PAY CORPORATE TAXES TO THE HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT, PROVIDED THE THREE PARTNERS SUPPORT AN AUTOMOBILE EXPORT DRIVE FOR THE COMPANY, OFFICIALS ADDED.

ACCORDING TO SUZUKI OFFICIALS, THE JOINT VENTURE FIRM WILL BEGIN PRODUCTION IN THE LATTER HALF OF 1992, WITH PRODUCTION CAPACITY INCREASING FROM 15,000 CARS THE FIRST YEAR TO 50,000 VEHICLES THREE YEAR LATER. LOCALLY PRODUCED COMPONENTS WILL MAKE UP 30 PERCENT OF PARTS AND EQUIPMENT THE FIRST YEAR OF PRODUCTION AND LATER BE INCREASED TO ABOUT 70 PERCENT, OFFICIALS ADDED.

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#90288k0091 10/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
OSAKA (OCT. 15) KYODO - ISHIHARA SANGYO KAISHA LTD., JAPAN'S LARGEST AGROCHEMICAL PRODUCER, SAID MONDAY IT WILL BUY AN OHIO-BASED AGROCHEMICAL MANUFACTURER SDS ENTERPRISES FOR 300 MILLION DOLLARS.

THE PURCHASE WAS APPROVED BY THE SDS PARENT COMPANY FERMENTA OF STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN. ISHIHARA'S U.S. SUBSIDIARY WILL CONCLUDE NECESSARY PROCEDURES BY THE END OF NOVEMBER, ISHIHARA SANGYO OFFICIALS SAID.

IT IS THE LARGEST ACQUISITION BY A JAPANESE AGROCHEMICAL COMPANY IN TERMS OF THE PURCHASE PRICE.

ISHIHARA WILL PAY HALF OF THE PURCHASE PRICE FROM ITS OWN FUNDS AND THE REMAINDER WILL BE RAISED WITH LOANS FROM A GROUP OF LOCAL FINANCIAL FIRMS, THE OFFICIALS ADDED.

FERMENTA ASC, A MAJOR U.S. SUBSIDIARY OF SDS ENTERPRISES, HAS A SALES NETWORK IN MORE THAN 70 COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD. TOTAL ANNUAL SALES OF THE FERMENTA GROUP AMOUNTED TO 200 MILLION DOLLARS LAST YEAR, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS.

ISHIHARA SANGYO PLANS TO BOOST AGROCHEMICAL SALES TO 50 BILLION YEN WITHIN A FEW YEARS, THE OFFICIALS ADDED. ITS ANNUAL SALES IN AGROCHEMICALS IN FISCAL 1989 AMOUNTED TO 16.1 BILLION YEN, ABOUT 19 PERCENT OF THE COMPANY'S TOTAL SALES.

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#90288k0093 10/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 15) KYODO - CHINA'S DAQING CRUDE OIL WILL BE SOLD BASED ON MARKET PRICES RATHER THAN THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS AS IT HAS BEEN SO FAR, STARTING WITH OCTOBER SUPPLIES, UNDER AN AGREEMENT REACHED MONDAY BETWEEN CHINA AND A GROUP OF JAPANESE OIL REFINERS, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

THE SOURCES SAID THE PRICE OF DAQING OIL, A MAJOR GRADE OF CHINESE CRUDE, WILL BE SET AUTOMATICALLY ON THE BASIS OF THE MONTHLY AVERAGE OF THE JAPANESE IMPORT PRICES OF TWO INDONESIAN CRUDE GRADES, SUMATRA LIGHT (MINAS) AND CINTA, AND THEIR INTERNATIONAL SPOT PRICES.

THE PRICE OF DAQING CRUDE SHIPPED TO JAPAN HAS SO FAR BEEN DETERMINED THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS IN THE FOLLOWING QUARTER.

THE SOURCES SAID THE CHINESE INITIALLY CALLED FOR THE APPLICATION OF THE NEW PRICING FORMULA RETROACTIVELY TO JULY-SEPTEMBER SHIPMENTS. BUT THE JAPANESE REJECTED THIS.

IT WAS FINALLY AGREED THAT SUPPLIES IN JULY WOULD BE PRICED AT 15.49 DOLLARS PER BARREL, THOSE IN AUGUST AT 22.50 DOLLARS AND THOSE IN SEPTEMBER AT 29.75 DOLLARS.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN FOUR YEARS THAT DAQING CRUDE FOR SUPPLY TO JAPAN HAS HIT 20 DOLLARS OR ABOVE.

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#90288k0100 10/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 15) KYODO - SONY CORP. SAID MONDAY IT WILL RENAME ITS U.S. SUBSIDIARY CBS RECORDS INC., ACQUIRED IN 1988 FROM THE U.S. BROADCASTING NETWORK CBS INC., SONY MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT INC. EFFECTIVE NEXT JANUARY 1.

THE PURCHASE CONTRACT WITH CBS LIMITED SONY'S USE OF THE CBS NAME TO THREE YEARS AFTER THE JANUARY 1988 ACQUISITION, SONY OFFICIALS SAID.

SONY WILL ALSO RENAME CBS SONY GROUP, A TOKYO SUBSIDIARY, SONY MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT (JAPAN) INC., NEXT APRIL 1, THEY ADDED.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THEY HAD CONSIDERED USING THE COLUMBIA NAME FOR THE RECORDING COMPANY, BASED ON SONY'S RIGHTS TO THE NAME OF COLUMBIA PICTURES ENTERTAINMENT INC., WHICH SONY BOUGHT IN SEPTEMBER 1989.

BUT THIS IDEA WAS REJECTED IN CONSIDERATION OF THE HARSH CRITICISM IN THE U.S. OF SONY'S 3.4 BILLION DOLLAR TAKEOVER OF COLUMBIA, WITH SOME PEOPLE CHARGING THAT SONY WAS BUYING UP THE "SOUL" OF AMERICANS, THEY SAID.

ALSO, THERE IS AN UNRELATED COMPANY IN JAPAN NAMED NIPPON COLUMBIA CO., OPERATED BY SONY'S RIVAL HITACHI LTD., THEY SAID, ADDING THAT SONY'S OWN BRAND IS KNOWN WELL ENOUGH WORLD-WIDE TO STAND ON ITS OWN.

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#90288k0116 10/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

EMIRATES (UAE) TO EXTEND ITS IMPORT CONTRACT OF LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS (LNG) AND LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS (LPG) TO THE YEAR 2019 TO SECURE LONG-TERM SUPPLIES OF FUEL.

TOKYO ELECTRIC STARTED IMPORTING LNG AND LPG FROM ABU DHABI IN MAY 1977, AND IT NOW ACCOUNTS FOR 22 PERCENT OF ITS USAGE OF SUCH FUEL, ACCORDING TO COMPANY OFFICIALS.

IT HAS A 19-YEAR CONTRACT WITH THE UAE, EFFECTIVE TO THE END OF 1995, BUT IN ORDER TO SECURE A LONG-TERM AND STABLE SUPPLIER THE COMPANY DECIDED TO RENEW THE CONTRACT, THEY SAID.

THE NEW CONTRACT RUNS FROM APRIL 1994 TO THE END OF MARCH 2019. IT ALLOWS THE COMPANY TO GRADUALLY INCREASE ITS CURRENT ANNUAL IMPORT QUANTITY OF LNG FROM

2,057,000 TO 4,300,000 TONS AND OF LPG FROM 550,000 TO 700,000 TONS BY 1998, THE OFFICIALS ADDED.

AS A RESULT OF THE INCREASE, THE COMPANY'S IMPORTS FROM ABU DHABI WILL AMOUNT TO 34 PERCENT OF ITS FUEL IMPORTS, THEY ADDED.

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#90288k0117 10/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 15) KYODO - IDEMITSU OIL DEVELOPMENT CO. SAID MONDAY THAT 8,200 BARRELS PER DAY OF OIL IS GUSHING FROM AN OFFSHORE WELL IN THE NORWEGIAN PORTION OF THE NORTH SEA.

THE WELL IS IN A CONCESSION 200 KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF BERGEN, NORWAY, WHERE A GROUP OF COMPANIES, INCLUDING THE NORWEGIAN STATE OIL COMPANY, STATOIL, ARE SEARCHING FOR PETROLEUM. IDEMITSU OIL DEVELOPMENT LAST YEAR ACQUIRED A 9.6 PERCENT INTEREST IN THE CONCESSION.

THE WELL IS NEAR SNORRE OILFIELD, WHICH HAS AN ESTIMATED 700 MILLION BARRELS OF OIL RESERVES AND WILL GO INTO COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION IN 1992.

THE CONSORTIUM EARLIER DISCOVERED TWO OTHER PROMISING OIL WELLS, IDEMITSU SAID.

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#90288k0118 10/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

BUCHAREST (OCT. 15) KYODO - ROMANIAN PRIME MINISTER PETRE ROMAN AND DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER ANTON VATASESCU SAID MONDAY THE COUNTRY WILL CUT THE OFFICIAL EXCHANGE RATE OF ITS CURRENCY, THE LEU, TO 35 LEI TO THE U.S. DOLLAR IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

THE COUNTRY WILL ALSO LIBERALIZE PRICES ON NOVEMBER 1, THEY ADDED. THE DECISIONS WERE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH A POLICY SHIFT TO BOOST FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN THE COUNTRY, THEY TOLD JAPANESE REPORTERS HERE WITH A JAPANESE ECONOMIC MISSION TO EASTERN EUROPE.

THE OFFICIALS ALSO CALLED ON JAPAN TO INVEST MORE IN THEIR COUNTRY, AND TO EXTEND 20 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN GRANTS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE TO HELP ROMANIA WITH DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT.

AT A SEOARATE TO PRESS CONFERENCE, ROMANIA PRESIDENT ION ILIESCU STRESSED THAT THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC LIBERALIZATION OF THE COUNTRY IS RAPIDLY PROGRESSING AND WILL NEVER BE REVERSED.

ROMANIA IS IN A SITUATION NOW SIMILAR TO JAPAN'S JUST AFTER WORLD WAR II, THE PRESIDENT SAID, STRESSING THAT ROMANIA IS HOPING FOR FURTHER ECONOMIC COOPERATION FROM JAPAN.

#90288m0001 10/15/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys
FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 12) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stocks rally. ... The Nikkei adds 709 points. ... In early-afternoon trading, the FTSE is up 25 points, the dollar is mixed and the long bond yield is down to 8.92%. Crude oil is cheaper this morning with North Sea off 85 cents to $38.35 a barrel. ... In London, KODAK is up 3 7/8 and POLAROID down 2 3/8 after Kodak is ordered to pay $909 million in patent infringement damages, less than street expectations.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports manufacturing and trade inventories and sales later today and U.S. automakers issue early September sales figures. The FEDERAL RESERVE issues industrial production and capacity utilization figures on Wednesday and COMMERCE reports on September housing starts. The CONSUMER PRICE INDEX for September is due out Thursday from the LABOR DEPARTMENT and COMMERCE issues the merchandise trade deficit the same day. ... INTEL plans to announce today in Tokyo a smaller, power-saving version of the chips that form the processing power of the new "notebook" and "palmtop" size computers. ... COMPAQ is introducing a 386 "notebook" computer today, APPLE COMPUTER is introducing three new versions of its Macintosh, with a cheaper price tag and DIGITAL EQUIPMENT is expected to unveil tomorrow a business computer using Intel 486 processors.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I think [the market] is pretty close to a bottom," says STEPHEN LEEB, editor of "Indicator Digest." He says "the market has reached extremes," and the bottom should certainly come within the next two weeks. Leeb says the market has not shown any of the "classic signs" of a bear market and he remains bullish. He says 2400 on the Dow is "one of the great buying opportunities of a generation," and describes himself as "flat-out bullish." ("Nightly Business Report", 10/12)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I expect the market to go another 10 or 20 percent lower," says ERIC SORENSEN at SALOMON BROTHERS. "There will be some rallies, but the Dow will work its way down to the 2000, 2100, 2200 -- that range. Those are buying opportunities, given the way the world looks now." CHARLES CLOUGH of MERRILL LYNCH says, "This is the first recession we've seen that has been led by the

financial sector. ... We could be looking at lows that go beyond the normal recession levels in the credit-sensitve sectors of the economy. ... If valuation parameters that have been relevant in the last 10 or 20 years still matter, the low will probably be in the 2000 to 2200 range. You might get a spoke below that." LEWIS SPERBER of SPERBER ADAMS & CO., says, "We have another couple of years to go. I'm talking 1991 on the downside, probably starting to come out of it in 1992. within the next 12 months." (NYT, 10/14)

"Today could have been the low, but at this point in time, we really don't have any firm indication that it is," says PETER GRENNAN of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "What the market seems to be doing at the moment is slowly going down and touching new lows." (CNN "Moneyline", 10/12)

"It essentially became a bear market this week," says FRANK CAPPIELLO, who adds that "a bear market is really defined as a 20% decline over at least two months and that is what we now have. Before, it could have been a bear reaction in a bull market." He looks for a 30% decline "but I don't think it's going to be anything like 1973-75." He looks for about six months "of bad times," based on expectations that earnings will start to turn up the middle of next year. ("Wall Street Week", 10/12)

We've had 16 bear markets in the past 90 years and the typical loss has been 27%-45%, says JAMES STACK, publisher of "InvesTech." "That would place a probable low in the 1650-2150 area on the Dow. More importantly, I think the damage in this bear market is more severe than the Dow indicates." Stack says the Value Line index hit a five-year low last week and the NASDAQ is only 5% above where it was seven years ago. (CNN "Business Morning", 10/15)

STOCK MARKET:

"What we saw [Friday] was a 'power reflex lift' from a very oversold condition and extremely negative sentiment," says A.C. MOORE, director of research at ARGUS RESEARCH CORP. "I feel the rally will carry over for the next few sessions." ("Investor's Daily", 10/14)

"It's crazy," says JONATHAN RACLIN of CHICAGO CORP. "The market is flying blind -- running back and forth on any rumors." ("USA Today", 10/15)

"What you had [Friday] in my opinion was short-covering before a weekend, based on some rumors, based on the fact that oil prices were down [and] based on the hope that we will have a budget deficit accord," says ALAN ACKERMAN of GRUNTAL & CO. "More than anything else, some people didn't want to be short over the weekend so we had a good relief rally." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/12)

"Any bottoming that the market was trying to do has been put off," says KENNETH SPENCE of SALOMON BROTHERS. "It's got to take more time now and try and seek a new level." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/12)

"When you look behind the Dow and get to the broader market, conditions are far worse than what the Dow shows," says JOHN DESSAUER. "But I'm a good more optimistic on the economic fundamentals. ... Back in the early 1980s, we had runaway economic growth, runaway inflation and runaway money growth. The only tool the Fed had left was to drive interest rates up to twice what they are now. This time ... since we didn't have the boom I don't think we're going to have the bust." He looks for corporate profits to pick up early in 1991. ("Wall Street Week", 10/12)

"The bad news on inflation is really a lagging indicator," says MITCHELL MEISLER of LEHMAN BROTHERS. He says as we enter a recession, both interest rates and inflation will drop. The market is "very much washed out on the downside," according to Meisler, who is selectively buying and says the risk is only 4-to-7 percent on the downside. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/12)

"There has been some [exiting from equity funds] but not much," says MICHAEL LIPPER, president of LIPPER ANALYTICAL. "What we see is market timers moving out of so-called no-load funds into money market funds but the bulk of the assets of the [mutual fund] industry still are in funds that are sold by brokers and, for the most part, the money is staying there." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 10/12)

Some analysts are saying the strength of the yen was behind last night's rebound on the Nikkei. But JEFFREY GUY of YAMAICHI SECURITIES says, "I think it was largely a technical rebound because the market has fallen for the past three days. We're seeing a considerable amount of futures related arbitrage purchases in the cash market." (CNN "Business Day", 10/15)

STOCK TIPS:

The seven "Baby Bell" regional telephone companies are featured in "Barron's" this week in an article that notes the companies' stock has risen 140% to 200% since they were spun out of AT&T nearly seven years ago. "More good times lie ahead," concludes the article. "For starters, the companies have put their financial strength to productive use and promise to reap the benefits over the foreseeable future." The seven are AMERITECH, BELL ATLANTIC, BELLSOUTH, NYNEX PACIFIC TELESIS, SOUTHWESTERN BELL and US WEST. ("Barron's", 10/15)

ALAN ACKERMAN of GRUNTAL & CO. has this advice for investors: "Stay in the easy chair, keep the sneakers off, don't be in any hurry. You have to sell on strength in this market. SOS is just stay on the sidelines. Cash is king." But for those who insist on buying stock, Ackerman says, "On weakness, I like IBM, WAL-MART, GLAXO, CENTEX, BOEING -- they're all companies with hefty cash positions, good growth potential, strong balance sheets. Those are the companies I like and feel safe with and I think you have to go with quality." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/12)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 15) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"Right now the dollar is falling and nobody cares," says ANDREW ROJEK of MERRILL LYNCH. "I think the yen will continue in the 128 resistance range with 127 as a target and the mark will be at 1.5100 in the next week or so." ROBERT HATCHER of BARCLAYS BANK PLC says: "There's no real concern being illustrated by any of the central banks. As long as the dollar's decline is controlled, the central banks don't seem inclined to intervene." (WSJ, 10/15)

The yen continued to gain strength against the dollar in overnight trading. "Fundamentally, the yen is in a very good position," says TREVOR OPELT of MMS INTERNATIONAL in Tokyo. "We have narrowing interest rate spreads between Japan and the United States which are almost favoring the yen right now. Also the economic situation here in Japan is much better than we have in the U.S." (FNN "World Market Report", 10/15)

"All in all, those latest [PPI and retail sales] data only highlight why FEDERAL RESERVE policymakers are split over the need for easier monetary policy to ease the pain of the recession versus concerns about accelerating inflation," says ROBERT McGEE, chief U.S. economist at TOKAI BANK LTD. "Eventually the dispute will be resolved in favor of preventing a more serious cumulative decline in the economy. A sustained pickup in inflation is highly unlikely with the economy about to fall off a cliff." ("Investor's Daily", 10/14)

"There may be a token easing of rates if a credible budget is put into place, but right now inflation is definitely a problem," says DOUGLAS HANDLER, senior economist at DUN & BRADSTREET. "There is no evidence domestic demand is falling off the table, although it's certainly flat. If the Fed were to ease now, it would threaten to exacerbate inflation next year." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/12)

"It seems clear to me that the crisis in Iraq is holding up rates higher than they otherwise would be," says DAVID RESLER, chief economist at NOMURA SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL. DONALD FINE of CHASE MANHATTAN BANK says there probably will be a budget agreement that cuts the deficit by $40 billion -- but not until after the election. "But given all that has happened in the past few weeks, I am wondering if the market and the Fed reaction then will be the same as it would have been a week ago." ROBERT DiCLEMENTE of SALOMON BROTHERS writes that, "Larger issues still constrain the Fed." (NYT, 10/15)

"If you can defer buying, I think you'll see a better [bond] buying opportunity in the next month," says BRUCE KAMICH of McCARTHY, CRISANTI & MAFFEI. "If you have to be in the market, I would keep the maturities within three years ... and if you are a small investor I could keep it in a money market fund." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 10/12)

Investor fears are creeping into the municipal bond market, "The Wall Street Journal" reports this morning. "You have Philadelphia seriously on the rocks, the situation in Massachusetts will curl your hair and New York's problems are beginning to catch up with everybody," says S.E. CANADAY JR., a vice president at JOHN NUVEEN & CO. "Add to that talk that the economy is heading toward a recession and you get some very nervous investors." (WSJ, 10/15)

"What's surprising to me is that bond yields haven't gone even higher than they are now," says DEBORAH ALLEN. "They've broken over 9% a few times, but haven't stayed there very long and yet we have just about every thing going wrong that could happen wrong to a bond market. discovered bonds." ("Wall Street Week" 10/12)

"The credit markets [Friday] enjoyed a rally after a week of tough sledding in which we had to auction seven- year notes for the Treasury and 30-year bonds for the RESOLUTION TRUST CORP.," says S.G. WARBURG's LAWRENCE LEUZZI. "It was a sigh of relief that we'd gotten through these auctions." (CNN "Moneyline", 10/12)

THE ECONOMY:

"Everybody's talking about the coming recession, [but] it's not coming, it's been here four quarters already and a recession is the worst possible time to raise taxes," says ALBERT SINDLINGER, head of his own economic forecasting company. "If Congress does that, it's laying the foundation for a depression." ("Barron's", 10/15)

The "USA Today" panel of investors has turned bearish on the economy. In a survey last week, 61% of the investors said a recession is under way compared to 29% who held that view three months ago. "Layoffs are in the news every day," notes panelist DAVID POWER, corporate manager of distribution for a Coca-Cola bottler in Tennessee. "All companies big and small, are belt-tightening. Even our company has just introduced an early retirement program." ("USA Today", 10/15)

"We think [unemployment] will get worse," says PETER GREENBAUM, economist at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM & CO. "We see it getting up around 6.5% to 7% by the middle of next year." ("Investor's Daily", 10/15)

JERRY JORDAN, economist at FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP in Los Angeles, says Friday's wholesale price report "on the surface is a shocking number, but it greatly exaggerated the ongoing rate of inflation." He says the outlook is

closely tied to developments in the Persian Gulf. If the conflict escalates, then the September PPI report is "just the leading edge" of higher prices, he says. But if the conflict is resolved in the next couple of months, the PPI pace will slow quickly. ("Investor's Daily", 10/15)

"The economy is now sliding into a recession and under normal circumstances [producers and consumers] could expect to see some easing of prices," says LYLE GRAMLEY, chief economist for the MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA. However, he cautions that prices will continue to increase in the next three to six months, "reflecting a spillover of higher energy prices." ("Investor's Daily", 10/15)

"As far as I'm concerned, we're in a phase of a recession," says EDMUND PRATT, chairman and CEO of PFIZER INC. "There is absolutely no question that business is not as good." JACK WELCH, chairman and CEO of GENERAL ELECTRIC CO., says, "It feels like one [a recession] in some segments. Anything related to consumer durables is clearly impacted at this point." WILLIAM BUTCHER, chairman and CEO of CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, says, "I guess I would align myself with those who believe we are either in or entering a recession. As I look around the country and talk to bankers, there's no place where you're not seeing a softening of business." ("Investor's Daily", 10/15)

"The 1.1% gain [in retail sales] isn't nearly as strong in reality as the number might suggest," says CAROL STONE, economist at NOMURA SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL. "The growth was from [auto] manufacturers' incentive programs that had September expiration dates. So the rise in auto sales last month is only temporary and we expect to see a decline after that." ("Investor's Daily", 10/15)

"It was a broad array of products that experienced price gains during the month of September," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. While food prices were down 0.9%, energy was up 13.8% and all other products were up 0.6%. "It really looks like the general cost of living could be given a substantial boost," says Sullivan. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/12)

"The underlying rate of inflation ... is bound to creep up and be disturbingly high," says ALLEN SINAI, chief economist for BOSTON CO. ECONOMIC ADVISERS. He says higher oil prices will affect prices for chemicals, plastics and eventually all products. ("Nightly Business Report", 10/12)

Very clearly, a recession will show up in the fourth- quarter statistics," says BROWN BROTHERS HARRIMAN & CO. senior economist EDWARD CAMPBELL. "August or September will be the beginning and definitely negative numbers in the fourth quarter, and possibly negative numbers in the first quarter." ("Nightly Business Report", 10/12)

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CONCORD, CALIF. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office Club Inc. (NASDAQ: OCLB) today reported financial results for the third quarter which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales increased to $73.3 million, an increase of 88 percent over the $39.0 million in sales for the third quarter of 1989.

The Office Club reported a net profit of $440,000, or 7 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1990, compared to a net loss of $2,113,000, or (36 cents) per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Office Club has reported a net profit of $1,581,000, or 26 cents per share, compared to a loss of $2,945,000, or (50 cents) per share, during the same nine months last year. Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $200.9 million, an increase of 102 percent over the $99.3 million in sales for the first nine months of 1989.

Third quarter 1990 results reflect strong performance from the 43 warehouse stores open at the end of the second quarter, and from the five new s stores opened in Honolulu, Hawaii, Tukwila, Wash., and three additional stores in California: in Irvine, Woodland Hills and South San Francisco. Comparable warehouse sales for the third quarter ended Sept 30 increased 21.1 percent from the prior year's period for the 20 warehouse stores opened more than one year.

"The strong sales results demonstrate the continued viability of our marketing concept," said Mark Begelman, chairman and chief executive officer of The Office Club Inc. "We have recorded our fourth straight quarter of profitability by adhering to our 'lowest price' operating formula, even as we have faced increased competition."

The Office Club Inc. sells high quality, brand name office products through a fast-growing network of retail membership warehouses in nine states (California, Oregon, Washington, Hawaii, Colorado, Texas, Nevada, New Mexico and Arizona). Business, non-profit and home office customers are offered one-stop shopping at the lowest competitive prices for office supplies, furniture, business machines, computers and related products. Telephone/fax ordering, delivery and business services are also available.

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - In a move to reach more people with Macintosh personal computers, Apple Computer Inc. today announced a suite of new low-cost Macintosh products. These new products effectively reduce the

entry price to Macintosh computing by 50 percent. Additionally, the products integrate innovative sound input capabilities that let customers quickly and easily add sound to their documents while retaining all the powerful, easy-to-use features that customers demand.

The computers were designed to reach new customers in business, government, education and the home. The newest members of the Macintosh family are the Apple Macintosh Classic, the lowest cost Macintosh; the Apple Macintosh LC, the lowest cost color Macintosh; and the Apple Macintosh IIsi, the lowest cost Macintosh II. Each computer shares the flagship characteristics of Macintosh: unsurpassed ease-of-use, built-in networking with "plug-and-go" simplicity, compatibility with thousands of innovative applications, and a solid foundation for computing today and in the future.

Recognizing the importance of lowering the cost of the entire system, Apple also introduced several low-cost peripherals that complement the new computers. Among these are new color and monochrome monitors and extras such as an expansion card that allows Apple IIe- compatible software to run on the Macintosh LC.

Apple revealed today that initial market acceptance for the new products has been strong. In fact, the company has received more initial orders for the Macintosh Classic than any other computer in the its history. Macintosh Classic

As the most affordable member of the family, the Macintosh Classic lowers the suggested retail price of Macintosh computing by more than 50 percent. Its small, all-in-one design embodies the valued features of the most popular Macintosh model ever, the Macintosh SE, while keeping the familiar transportable design. Suggested retail prices for the Classic, which uses the Motorola 68000 microprocessor, start at $999. Apple believes that the Macintosh Classic will attract many first-time computer buyers. Macintosh LC

The Macintosh LC represents a totally new modular design. The slim, elegant computer offers customers a robust, yet low-cost color system. The Macintosh LC reduces the suggested retail price of color Macintosh computing by 60 percent. The LC includes built-in support for three monitors and supports up to 256 colors, sound input, and optional Apple IIe software compatibility with more than 10,000 applications. Built around a 16-megahertz (MHz) Motorola 68020 microprocessor and offered for a suggested retail price of $2,499, the Macintosh LC is expected to be a popular choice for both newcomers to computing as well as Macintosh Plus or Macintosh SE owners looking to upgrade.
Macintosh IIsi

The Macintosh IIsi lowers the cost of Macintosh II-class computing by delivering the performance of the Macintosh IIcx for more than $2,200 less (based on suggested retail price). The capabilities of the IIsi will appeal to customers who must balance performance and affordability. Although the

lowest cost member of the Macintosh II line, the Macintosh IIsi retains the most desired features of the high-end, modular systems--high performance, most monitor options, and industry-standard NuBus expansion. The Macintosh IIsi provides built-in support for any of four different monitors and up to 256 colors or shades of gray, as well as the new sound input capability. Featuring a sleek new design and high performance derived from a 20MHz Motorola 68030 microprocessor, the Macintosh IIsi will appeal to customers who need even more responsive computers. The basic configuration of the Macintosh IIsi has a suggested retail price of $3,769.

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BUFFALO, NY (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Comptek Research, Inc. (AMEX/BSE: CTK), a defense electronics company, today announced financial results for its fiscal 1991 second quarter and first six months, which ended Sept. 30, 1990. The 1991 financial results were the highest ever achieved for second quarter and first six-month periods.

Revenues for the second quarter were $12,754,000 up 14 percent from $11,201,000 in the same period last year. Net income for the quarter increased 9 percent to $369,000 from $339,000. On a per-share basis, net income increased to $0.18 from $0.16. The Sept. 30, 1990, backlog was $45.4 million, which is 13.5 percent higher than the $40 million backlog at the end of the first quarter.

During the quarter, Comptek logged approximately $18 million in contract bookings, primarily in the form of contract renewals or extensions on Navy and Air Force programs.

Six-month revenues of $24,698,000 were up 14 percent from $21,727,000 a year ago. Net income was $706,000, or $0.34 per share, during the first half. Last year at this time, the company reported earnings of $647,000, or $0.30 per share.

"This is the seventh consecutive quarter of favorable year-to-year earnings comparisons," commented Dr. John R. Cummings, Comptek's chairman. "Our business results and current prospects are consistent with management's expectations, and we remain optimistic that 1991 will be a record year. In spite of the general downturn in the defense industry, we are continuing to manage the company so that it is favorably positioned to grow."

Comptek Research, Inc., with thirteen offices and subsidiary locations in the United States, develops command, control, and intelligence systems and electronic warfare systems, primarily for the Department of Defense. Related activities include providing specialized technical services and manufacturing

precision electronics.

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AUSTIN, TX (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Continuum Company, Inc. (AMEX: CNU), today announced that it has made a tender offer to exchange 1,750,000 shares of its common stock for all the outstanding shares of Computations Holdings Limited of Sydney, Australia. The offer expires on Nov. 15, 1990, unless extended by Continuum.

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PHOENIX, ARIZ. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Phelps Dodge Corporation (NYSE: PD) today reported the highest third quarter earnings in its history -- consolidated net income was $126.2 million ($3.64 per common share) for the third quarter of 1990. Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 1990, was $352.0 million ($10.14 per common share). The company reported net income of $115.4 million ($3.26 per common share) and $407.7 million ($11.29 per common share) in the corresponding periods in 1989. Per share amounts reflect average shares outstanding on a fully diluted basis for the respective periods.

Sales were $674.2 million in the 1990 third quarter and $1,999.6 million in the first nine months of 1990, compared with $646.1 million and $2,083.9 million in the corresponding 1989 periods.

During the 1990 third quarter, Phelps Dodge Mining Company recorded earnings from operations of $170.6 million, compared with $146.4 million in the third quarter of 1989. The record earnings for a third quarter were achieved in spite of somewhat higher pro- duction costs due to scheduled smelter maintenance shut downs and lower realized prices due to higher than normal concentrate sales. For the nine-month period ended September 30, 1990, Phelps Dodge Mining Company contributed earnings from operations of $463.5 million, compared with $520.4 million in the 1989 nine-month period. The New York Commodity Exchange spot price per pound of copper cathode averaged $1.28 in the third quarter and $1.19 in the first nine months of 1990, compared with $1.20 and $1.29 in the cor- responding 1989 periods.

Phelps Dodge Mining Company reported sales of $387.6 million in the 1990 third quarter, and $1,095.7 million in the first nine months of 1990; sales were

$377.0 million and $1,184.5 million in the corresponding 1989 periods.

Phelps Dodge's U.S. mine production was a record 140,200 tons of copper in the third quarter of 1990 and a record 408,700 tons in the first nine months, compared with 122,800 tons and 375,400 tons in the corresponding 1989 periods.
Phelps Dodge's copper sales from mine production were a record 146,900 tons in the 1990 third quarter and a record 419,800 tons in the first nine months, compared with 127,600 tons and 387,200 tons in the corresponding 1989 periods.

Phelps Dodge Industries recorded earnings from operations of $34.5 million in the 1990 third quarter, improved from $33.2 million in the 1989 third quarter.
The higher earnings for the 1990 third quarter were primarily a result of improved margins in the wheel and rim and foreign wire and cable businesses, and the inclusion of the results of Hudson International Conductors acquired in November 1989. This was moderated by lower sales and margins in the domestic magnet wire business and lower margins in the carbon black business. Earnings from operations for the first nine months of 1990 were $110.4 million compared with $125.0 million in the corresponding 1989 period. The lower earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were primarily a result of lower sales and reduced margins in the wheel and rim and domestic magnet wire businesses.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Citicorp Information Resources, Inc., announced today that ISI Systems, Inc. had agreed to pay in excess of $3.2 million dollars in settlement of CIR's outstanding lawsuit against ISI Systems. Citicorp Information Resources provides computer processing services to banks and other financial institutions. ISI Systems is an insurance processing company located in Braintree, Mass.

The lawsuit arose out of ISI Systems' alleged breach of a six-year contract for the delivery of computer services from Citicorp's Woburn, Mass. plant. Citicorp Information Resources' lawsuit alleged that ISI Systems, Inc. committed a breach of contract, as well as unfair and deceptive business practices. The allegations further related to ISI Systems' unilateral withholding of payments despite receiving what it admitted was exceptional service during a period of rapid growth.

Frank Martire, chairman of Citicorp Information Resources, stated that "Citicorp Information Resources firmly believed in the merits of its position, and we are now quite pleased to put this matter behind us with such a positive outcome."

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SPOKANE, WASH. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Key Tronic Corp. (NASDAQ: KTCC), a leading independent manufacturer of input devices and computers, today reported a net income of $1,041,000 (13 cents per share) for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 on sales of $33.0 million. This compares to net income of $391,000 (5 cents per share) recorded in the first quarter of the previous year on sales of $32.5 million.

Included in the results in the first quarter of the current fiscal year were expenses incurred of $490,000 related to the establishment and partial funding of the Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) which was announced in August.

KEY TRONIC CORP.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

First Quarter Ended:	Sept. 22, 1990	Sept. 23, 1989
Net Sales	$ 33,008	$ 32,537
Net Income	1,041	391
Per share	$ 0.13	$ 0.05
Weighted average shares outstanding	7,735,720	8,252,049

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ROCKVILLE CENTRE, N.Y. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Command Credit Corporation (NASDAQ: CDMD) will assist CredoBank in issuing bank credit cards to Soviet citizens, the company announced here today.

CredoBank, chartered by the U.S.S.R. State Bank (Central Bank of the Soviet Union), is the first authorized international commercial bank in the Russian Republic.

Command, a leader in the secured credit card industry, has been engaged to service and monitor the VISA, MasterCard, debit card and affinity card that CredoBank intends to offer. In essence, to serve as the bank's "back office" processing facility, from Command's European data center in Surrey, England.

Igor Lipanov, deputy director of CredoBank, concluded the agreement with

Command Credit.

The company did not reveal any dollar amount affixed to this arrangement.

"We were selected because of our proven specialty in helping banks issue credit cards, particularly in countries where there is very little, if any, means of securing credit rating reports on potential cardholders," explained William G. Lucas, Command's chairman and chief executive officer. "The Soviet Union is just such a country. Moreover, the potential market for cardholders is mind boggling."

Command Credit Corporation is an international financial services company which assists financial institutions in issuing secured and unsecured bank credit cards. The company is a service member of the American Bankers Association, a registered member service provider with MasterCard International and a registered independent sales organization with VISA.

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ALEXANDRIA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael R. Losey, SPHR, has been named incoming president of the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM), succeeding Ronald C. Pilenzo, SPHR, who retires this year.

SHRM is the world's largest professional membership organization dedicated to the advancement of human resource management. In his new role, Losey will be the chief executive officer for SHRM, overseeing all organizational, operational and strategic planning activities, according to Wanda A. Lee, SPHR SHRM's national chairman and vice president of human resources for FHP, Inc. of Fountain Valley, Calif.

"Losey's experience and expertise will be pivotal in guiding SHRM into the next century," she said.

With nearly 30 years experience in the human resource profession, Losey was most recently a vice president of human resources for the Unisys Corporation of Blue Bell, Pa. When Unisys was formed by the 1986 merger of Sperry and Burroughs Corporations, he played an integral role in establishing the organizational policy and operational framework for the new corporation.

Losey was with Sperry for 22 years prior to the merger. He began his career there as personnel manager for a small manufacturing plant, rose to vice president for personnel for the Sperry New Holland Division and eventually became corporate staff vice president for personnel relations at corporate

headquarters in New York City.

A certified senior professional in human resources (SPHR), he has been active in international human resources, in SHRM at the national level as a member of the legislative affairs committee and at the local level as a member of the SHRM Greater Valley Forge (Pa.) Personnel Association.

Losey holds both bachelor's and master's degrees of business administration in industrial relations from the University of Michigan. He and his wife, Ann, will be relocating to the Alexandria area from greater Philadelphia in the near future.

The Society for Human Resource Management, formerly the American Society for Personnel Administration, represents the interests of 70,000 human resource professionals through its network of more than 400 chapters worldwide. SHRM was a co-founder of the World Federation of Personnel Management Associations, which now represents 66 human resource organizations and more than 300,000 members, collectively.

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#90288p4589 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola's Microcontroller Division today announced the 68HC16 (HC16), the first 16-bit microcontroller family that is compatible with an industry standard 8-bit product line.

The central processing unit of the HC16 is based on a 16-bit implementation of Motorola's popular 68HC11 (HC11) microcontroller, making the HC16 source code compatible with the 8-bit HC11 family. The HC16 is a modular design utilizing implementation of existing modules of Motorola's 68300 family. Additionally, the HC16 is Motorola's first general purpose microcontroller to integrate control oriented digital signal processing (DSP) capability on chip.

The HC16 will be used in a variety of control applications including consumer and automotive electronics and industrial control. Chrysler Corp. today announced it is designing the HC16 into its future generation powertrain control modules.

The 68HC16Z1 (HC16Z1) is the first member of Motorola's new line of high performance 16-bit microcontrollers designed to provide customers with an upgrade path from the HC11 as well as a migration path to higher performance microcontrollers. The design takes advantage of some of the same advanced modules originally designed for other 68300 devices, such as the queued serial module (QSM) and the system integration module (SIM). Other modules include a general purpose timer (GPT), 1K bytes of standby RAM, and a 10-bit eight

channel A/D converter.

The HC16Z1 CPU has three new multiply and two additional divide instructions, new addressing modes and additional registers that allow the CPU to support high level languages and perform control oriented DSP functions. The DSP feature on-chip eliminates the need for additional DSP support devices in some applications.

The 68HC16Z1 will be available in sample quantities in second quarter 1991. Production volumes are expected in third quarter 1991 and will be priced at $25 in 1K quantities.

An HC16 evaluation system is in development and will be available first quarter 1991.

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BURBANK, Calif. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Walt Disney Co. (NYSE: DIS) will begin publishing its own general-interest fiction and non-fiction books in 1991 for sale in book stores under a publishing imprint yet to be named. Publishing Executive Robert Miller has been hired to lead Disney's entry into this area. Some 50 titles are planned in the first year.

The announcement was made by Charles P. Wickham, group vice president for Disney Publishing. Miller joins Disney as vice president and publisher.

Miller, 34, has been a vice president at Dell Publishing and editorial director of Delacorte Press. Earlier, he held editorial positions at Warner Books and St. Martins Press.

Managed by Disney Publishing, a unit of Disney Consumer Products, the new imprint will offer hardback and paperback books on a wide range of subjects from both known and new authors. It joins a children's publishing operation created by Disney in July. A distribution agreement covering all the new Disney books will be announced in the near future.

"Disney is an entertainment company engaged in the full spectrum of American cultural interests," Wickham said. "General-interest book publishing will be a perfect complement to many of the company's activities, including our continuing licensed publications business.

"In Bob Miller, we have a publishing executive who can direct our entry into this exciting area with editorial creativity and marketing flair," Wickham continued. "These are qualities Bob has exhibited throughout his publishing

career."

Disney's initial list of titles will be introduced in June at the American Booksellers Association convention in New York.

CONTACT: Chuck Champlin of The Walt Disney Co., 818-567-5959.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Anacomp Inc. (NYSE: AAC) and The Cooper Companies Inc. (NYSE: COO) announced today that they have entered into a standstill agreement which bars Cooper from taking any further steps to acquire Anacomp through Sept. 30, 1991.

In an SEC filing earlier this year, Cooper announced that it had acquired more than 5 percent of Anacomp's common stock and that it was considering, among other alternatives, a business combination with Anacomp. Anacomp commenced a lawsuit against Cooper in Indianapolis Federal Court seeking to stop any acquisition. Under the terms of today's standstill agreement, Anacomp's lawsuit will be dismissed with prejudice, and Anacomp will pay Cooper $1.3 million of the expenses incurred in defending the action. The standstill further provides that Cooper will not initiate or participate in any proxy contests and will not take any other steps to acquire control of Anacomp during the standstill period. Anacomp may, at its option, extend the standstill period to Sept. 30, 1993.

CONTACT: Dennis Lindsey, 404-262-2667, or Nancy Vandeventer, investor relations, 317-844-9666, both of Anacomp.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - National City Corporation (NYSE: NCC) today reported earnings for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $65 million or $1.08 per share, versus $67 million or $1.10 per share for the same quarter of 1989.

Net income for the first nine months was $197 million or $3.26 per share, compared with $195 million or $3.22 per share for the corresponding period in 1989.

For the third quarter of 1990, returns on average equity and average assets were 16.27 percent and 1.13 percent respectively. For the first nine months of 1990 these measures were 16.99 percent and 1.15 percent respectively. National City Corporation's returns remain among the best in the industry.

Nonperforming assets as of Sept. 30, 1990 were $321 million which included $230 million non-accrual loans and $91 million foreclosed real estate. Loan loss reserves at Sept. 30, 1990 were $244 million.

National City Corporation is a $23 billion bank holding company headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio. The corporation's principal banking units include National City Bank, Cleveland; BancOhio National Bank, Columbus; and First National Bank of Louisville. Other member banks include National City Bank, Akron; First National Bank and Gem Savings Association, Dayton; CommerceNational Bank, Lexington; and Ohio Citizens Bank, Toledo. National City also has 11 community banks serving cities and towns throughout Ohio, Kentucky and southern Indiana.

National City's subsidiaries and divisions offer a wide range of financial services, such as credit card, retail payment and airline ticket processing, trust and investment management, leasing, merchant and mortgage banking, venture capital, small business and community investment, and credit life insurance. These units include Franklinton Financial Services, National Processing Company, First Kentucky Trust Company, National City Trust Company, NCC Merchant Banking, National City Mortgage Co., W. Lyman Case & Company, National City Community Development Corporation, National City Life Insurance Company and NC Investments.

National City Corporation's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "NCC."

CONTACT: Thomas A. Richlovsky, senior vice president and treasurer, Corporate Treasury, 216-575-2126.

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PASADENA, Calif. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (NYSE: JEC) today announced receipt of a $20 million contract from the Foodservice Group of the Borden Grocery and Specialty Products Division to provide design and installation services for a production facility in Chambersburg, Penn.

The project involves process and interior design, including all piping, utilities and instrumentation, and equipment purchasing and installation for a new 400,000-square-foot food production operation called a "hyperplant." A hyperplant is Borden's term for a state-of- the-art, highly efficient facility with low-cost production economics, for the manufacture and distribution of products for the foodservice industry.

Jacobs is already at work on two other hyperplants for Borden at locations in Jackson, Miss., and Chatsworth, Calif. Those projects, for which Jacobs is providing engineering, procurement and construction services, are expected to have a combined constructed value of $45 million, a Jacobs spokesperson said.

The Chambersburg facility will process and package individual serving products - such as jelly, dipping sauces, dessert toppings, ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, salad dressing, cream, sugar, and pepper. In addition, the plant will produce bulk-size, oil-based items - such as mayonnaise, sauces, salad and other dressings and syrups. The products are principally consumed in restaurants, fast- food chains, hospitals, schools, and other places where food is eaten or prepared away from the home.

The facility also includes a laboratory for quality control and product development, and offices for general and administrative management staff. Initial production operations in the Chambersburg facility are scheduled to start in the second quarter of 1991.

Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. provides single-source environmental and hazardous waste management, consulting, engineering, design, architectural, construction, construction management, contract maintenance, and operations services to government and industrial clients around the world.

CONTACT: Christopher E. Nagel of Jacobs Engineering Group, 818-449-2171.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - A subsidiary of W. R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA) today confirmed the signing of a letter of understanding involving the proposed sale of Grace's interests in the ammonia fertilizer production complex in Trinidad to Norsk Hydro a.s, a Norwegian firm.

Included in the transaction are: Federation Chemicals Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Grace that owns and operates a 255,000 short-ton-per-year ammonia plant on Trinidad; and Grace's 49 percent share of Trinidad Nitrogen Co., Limited, a joint venture between Grace and the government of Trinidad and Tobago that operates two ammonia plants on Trinidad with a combined production capacity of 920,000 short-tons-per-year.

Completion of the transaction is subject to various conditions, including agreements with and approval by the government of Trinidad and Tobago and the lenders to Trinidad Nitrogen Co., Limited and the approval by the boards of directors of Grace and Norsk Hydro. Closing is expected to take place in December 1990.

J. P. Bolduc, president and chief operating officer of Grace, in commenting on the sale, said, "Completion of this transaction will successfully remove Grace from operating in a commodity-related, cyclical business. This action is an important phase of the company's overall restructuring strategy designed to focus on our global specialty chemicals business, as well as on Grace's specialized interests in energy, health care and other niche growth

businesses." The Trinidad facilities are the last Grace agricultural chemicals operations to be sold.

W. R. Grace & Co. is the world's largest specialty chemicals company with sales in 1989 at $6.1 billion.

CONTACT: Fred Bona or Jim Swords of Grace, 212-819-6000.

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RICHMOND, Va. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Best Products Co., Inc. announced today that The Equitable Life Assurance Society has funded its commitment to provide Best with a $30 million line of credit supplementing the company's existing short-term credit facilities.

The company also has completed the refinancing on a long-term basis of $175 million of senior subordinated bridge notes.

Agreements were signed with holders of $142 million of bridge notes extending their maturity to June 30, 1992. The remaining $33 million have been converted to senior notes with a maturity of no earlier than Jan. 31, 1994.

Jerry E. Goldress, Best's chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We are very pleased that these financings are completed. They will help position us with a strong merchandise assortment as we move into the critical Christmas season. They will also allow us to take advantage of many retailing opportunities currently being offered by our vendors, many of whom are having to contend with the impact of an unsettled retailing environment."

Leonard P. Shaykin, a managing partner of Adler & Shaykin, the major shareholder of Best, said, "We are gratified to receive this endorsement from our financial partners in this difficult environment. It reflects the stability of Best and its good future prospects."

Best, one of the nation's largest catalog showroom retailers, operates 195 Best showrooms in 27 states. The company also operates Best Jewelry, a chain of 35 fine jewelry and giftware stores, and Tele-Mail, a nationwide mail-order service.

CONTACT: Ross Richardson of Best Products Company, Inc., 804-261-2157.

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#90288p4605 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Integra Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: ITGR) today announced third quarter and year-to-date earnings.

Net income was $.72 per share for the third quarter of 1990, unchanged from the third quarter of 1989, and was $17.4 million and $18.2 million for those quarters, respectively. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $2.13 per share or $52.4 million, vs. net income of $2.10 per share or $52.9 million for the same period of 1989.

The per share amounts reflect the reduced level of average common shares outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990, vs. Sept. 30, 1989, due to the corporation's stock repurchase program. Through the first nine months of 1990, more than 750,000 Integra shares were acquired for reissuance under various employee stock plans, a dividend reinvestment plan or for other corporate purposes.

"Modestly improved earnings per share for the year have been achieved in spite of several unfavorable circumstances," according to William F. Roemer, president and chief executive officer. "Those factors, such as an uncertain economic climate, as well as our own strict standards in reviewing the performance of our commercial loan portfolio, have limited our ability to generate even higher earnings," he added.

"Integra continues to provide a prudent level of reserves against possible loan losses," Roemer said. "During the first nine months of 1990, we contributed $22.4 million to our reserve, in comparison with $18.7 million during the same period last year. The reserve now stands at $72.5 million as opposed to $56.8 million at Sept. 30, 1989. We believe our aggressive action in this area provides adequately for potential problem credits," he concluded.

When comparing third quarter 1990 earnings to those of 1989, it is necessary to adjust the 1989 earnings for the after-tax impact of $4.8 million from an excise tax refund. The refund was a result of a change in the method of calculating Pennsylvania shares tax applicable to banks, and effected an increase to net income of $.19 per share. In addition, the results of operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, reflect the acquisition of 16 Horizon Financial, F.A., offices in May by Union National Bank, the Pittsburgh-based Integra affiliate.

Integra's total assets were $7.6 billion at the end of the third quarter compared to $6.8 billion at year-end 1989. Deposits increased to $6.5 billion, up 12.3 percent from the end of 1989. Total loans stood at $4.3 billion, up from $4.0 billion at year-end. The market value of trust assets under management by the corporation was $5.5 billion on Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $5.7 billion at year-end 1989.

The increase in assets and deposits resulted principally from the Horizon acquisition. "On Sept. 21, we successfully converted all existing Horizon accounts and systems to a standardized menu of Integra products and procedures thus completing the merger of Horizon into Union National," Roemer said.

Based on assets, Integra is the third largest financial services holding

company headquartered in Pittsburgh, the fifth-largest in Pennsylvania and ranks 70th in the United States.

Integra operates seven banks with 226 offices throughout 22 counties of western Pennsylvania, including First National Bank of Washington, First Seneca Bank, Gallatin National Bank, Keystone National Bank, McDowell National Bank, Pennbank and Union National Bank.

Earlier this year, the corporation announced its intentions to consolidate its four northern-most banks, to combine its two southwestern banks and to rename each of its banks. According to these plans, Integra will operate three banks -- one headquartered in Titusville, Pa., one in Pittsburgh, and a third in Uniontown, Pa. -- each bearing the name Integra Bank, by the end of 1991.

Other Integra subsidiaries include credit card, investment, leasing, insurance and brokerage companies.

CONTACT: Edward H. Sehon of Integra, 412-644-8073, or home at 412-571-0126

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PURCHASE, NY (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - PepsiCo, Inc.'s (NYSE: PEP) third quarter net income rose 25 percent to $336.6 million and sales grew 15 percent to $4.5 billion. Earnings per share advanced 24 percent to $0.42. Excluding the impact of several previously announced unusual items (detailed at the end of the release), earnings per share rose 21 percent to $0.41.

Worldwide soft drinks had a strong quarter. Revenues rose 11 percent to $1.7 billion and operating profits jumped 16 percent to $239.3 million excluding a $6.0 million unusual charge for potentially uncollectible domestic receivables. Including the charge, reported profits of $233.3 million rose 13 percent.

In the domestic soft drink business, revenues were up 6 percent to $1.3 billion and operating profits advanced 10 percent to $199.0 million excluding the receivables charge. Reported profits of $193.0 million grew 7 percent. Margin expansion was due to pricing, favorable ingredients costs and volume leverage.

Domestic bottler case sales gained 3 percent despite a substantial reduction in the Burger King fountain business. Excluding the impact of the loss of the Burger King volume, bottler case sales advanced 5 percent. Diet Pepsi and Mountain Dew continued to lead brand growth and Brand Pepsi posted a solid gain for the quarter. Year-to-date bottler case sales growth was 4 percent.

Worldwide snack foods revenues jumped 16 percent to $1.2 billion and operating profits of $240.6 million rose 14 percent excluding a $6.0 million unusual

charge for potentially uncollectible domestic receivables. Reported profits grew 11 percent to $234.6 million.

Worldwide restaurants also had a strong quarter. Sales jumped 18 percent to $1.5 billion and operating profits hit $164.9 million, a healthy 19 percent growth, excluding an unusual charge of $17.6 million for the closure of underperforming restaurants mostly in the U.S. Reported profits were up 6 percent to $147.3 million. Excluding the store closure charge, international profits rose 32 percent and sales increased 26 percent while domestic profits and sales grew 17 percent.

Pizza Hut sales were up 21 percent to $719 million and operating profits advanced 19 percent to $74.1 million excluding a $9.0 million charge for store closures. Reported operating profits increased 5 percent to $65.1 million. Performance was spurred by additional units and a solid 5 percent comparable sales growth for domestic company-owned units and brings year-to-date comparable sales growth for domestic company-owned units to 8 percent. Margin pressure was a result of continuing high cheese and meat costs partly offset by higher pricing. This marks the 12th consecutive quarter of 5 percent or better comparable sales growth for Pizza Hut.

CONTACT: Ken Ross of PepsiCo, 914-253-2725.

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DAYTON, OH (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - NCR Corporation (NYSE: NCR) today reported record earnings per share, worldwide revenue and orders for a third quarter.

Earnings per share increased 11 percent in the quarter to $1.36, compared with $1.23 per share for the same period last year. Net income declined 3 percent in the quarter to $91 million, versus $94 million reported for the year-ago period. During the third quarter, NCR repurchased 2.2 million common shares under its share-repurchase program. This program continued to have a favorable impact on earnings per share while negatively affecting net income.

Revenue increased 9 percent to $1,520 million, a record for a third quarter, compared to $1,390 million for the year-ago period. On a local currency basis worldwide revenue grew 4 percent over the previous year.

Orders The U.S. dollar value of worldwide orders posted a gain over the prior-year quarter and established a record for a third quarter, despite a considerable decline in orders in the United States. On a U.S. dollar basis, orders overseas achieved a record for a third quarter with substantial gains reported over the prior-year period. "Excluding the positive impact of currency changes on order backlogs in both periods," Exley said, "the U.S. dollar value of worldwide orders declined in the quarter even though international orders posted a gain. On a local currency basis, orders abroad

recorded a small gain, paced by the Pacific marketing group."

For the third consecutive quarter, the worldwide order value of self-service financial terminals achieved a record high for the quarter. Orders for personal computers also achieved a third-quarter record.

Worldwide orders, revenue and earnings per share all achieved record levels for the nine-month period. Revenue grew 5 percent to $4,390 million from the $4,168 million recorded in the prior year. Earnings per share for the nine-month period were $3.73, an increase of 10 percent over the $3.40 recorded for the same period last year. Net income of $258 million was 3 percent lower than the $265 million reported for the first nine months of 1989. Purchases of common shares totaled 6 million shares for the first nine months of the year which left nearly 10 million shares authorized for repurchase under the share-repurchase program.

NCR Corporation develops, manufactures, markets, installs and services business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

CONTACT: R.B. Farkas of NCR Corporation, 513-445-2078.

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WILMINGTON, DE (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Airgas Inc. (NYSE: ARG) today announced the acquisition of Silver State Supplies, Western Washington Welding and Advanced Welding Supplies.

All three companies are distributors of industrial gases and welding supplies. Combined annual sales are approximately $10.5 million.

Silver State Supplies Inc. has three locations in the Las Vegas, Nev., market. It will operate as part of G.S. Parsons, a large Airgas subsidiary headquartered in southern California.

Western Washington Welding is located in Satsop, Wash., and has two additional stores. It will operate as part of Cascade Airgas.

Advanced Welding Supplies located in Tampa, and Mulberry, Fla., serves central Florida and will operate as part of Florida Airgas.

Current management will continue to operate all three acquired businesses.

Airgas Inc. has acquired more than 60 distributors since March 31, 1988, with sales of approximately $215 million.

Currently the Airgas distributor network includes more than 230 locations in 29 states and Canada. Airgas Inc. is the largest independent distributor of

industrial, medical and specialty gases in the United States.

CONTACT: Britton Murdoch or John P. McNiff, 215-687-5253, both of Airgas.

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Owens & Minor (NYSE: OMI) announced today that the primary operating assets of Harbor Medical, Inc. will be sold as of year-end to Sterile Concepts, Inc. of Richmond, Virginia. Harbor Medical located in Sanford, Florida, is Owens & Minor, Inc.'s wholly-owned sterilized procedure tray subsidiary.

Also, Owens & Minor, Inc. and Sterile Concepts, Inc. jointly announced the beginning of a national five-year distribution agreement. The specific terms of the agreements were not disclosed. The impact of the two transactions on Owens & Minor, Inc.'s 1990 earnings is expected to be immaterial.

Gil Minor, III, President and CEO of Owens & Minor, Inc., said: "We are very pleased with the two agreements reached with Sterile Concepts. The assets sale will effectively close an operating that was drain on Owens & Minor, both in terms of financial and management resources. The distribution agreements solidifies our involvement and commitment to the growing sterilized surgical tray market, which was our goal from the outset when we undertook the Harbor Medical investment."

Sterile Concepts, Inc is a leader in the sterilized surgical procedure tray business. Owens & Minor, Inc. founded in 1882, is a wholesale distributor of medical and surgical supplies, pharmaceuticals and other related products.

CONTACT: Glenn J. Dozier, Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, Owens & Minor, Inc., (804) 965-2945.

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#90288p4616 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Cambrex Corporation (NASDAQ: CBAM), announced today that it has terminated negotiations to purchase the textile chemicals business of American Cyanamid Company (NYSE: ACY), including its textile chemicals manufacturing facilities located in Charlotte, N.C.

Cambrex Corporation manufactures a broad line of specialty chemicals, fine chemicals and commodity chemical intermediates. The chemical families of castor oil, pyridine and organometallics, succinic anhydrides, organobromines and ammonia reaction chemistry are used by the company to produce compounds for its five product categories: Urethane Systems and Additives, Coatings, Health and Cosmetic Products, Agricultural Chemical Intermediates, and Specialty and Fine Chemicals.

CONTACT: John P. Lynch, senior vice president and chief financial officer of Cambrex, 201-804-3010

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COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Procom Technology Inc. has immediately responded to the Macintosh industry with all their external SCSI products now supporting the new Macintosh Classic, Macintosh LC and Macintosh IIsi.

Procom Technology's HiPerformance series of storage products for the Macintosh include external drives, internal drives, erasable optical drives, CD-ROM drives, DAT drives, removable media drives and tape backup systems. All of the drives are highly reliable and economical featuring complete software, cabling and documentation.

Headquartered in Costa Mesa, Procom Technology is a rapidly growing, privately-held manufacturer of high performance storage products for Macintosh IBM PS/2s, AT- and XT-type machines, Compaq and laptop computers. Products are sold through an established dealer network domestically and through distributor agreements internationally.

Procom Technology is located at 200 McCormick, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. Its FAX number is 714-549-0527.

CONTACT: Karen Ranck of Procom Technology, 714-549-9449, ext. 233

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#90288p4620 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WATERTOWN, MA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Summit Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: BEAM) announced today that the use of the ExciMed(tm) UV300 excimer laser for the treatment of root canals has been introduced at the American Dental Association Annual Scientific Meeting currently being held (Oct. 13-16) in Boston.

It is anticipated that the ExciMed UV300 is uniquely suited for performing root canal treatments. In a study conducted by Pinl, et al and published in Lasers in Surgery and Medicine, it was established that diseased tissue can be quickly cleaned out of the canal by the laser, thus significantly decreasing the procedural time and reducing patient trauma during this painful procedure. In addition, the study states that the excimer could also "provide effective sterilization of the canals," thereby reducing the infection risk and the possibility of re-occlusion of the canal. Liesenhoff, et al in a study published in Deutsch Zahnarztl Z, provide further evidence that with the use of the excimer laser "hard dental materials (were removed) without producing thermal changes (in the surrounding tissue)."

According to a 1989 study conducted by Theta Corporation, 20 million patients have root canals done each year and that figure is growing at a rate of 7-9 percent per year as the population ages. The average cost of a root canal is $400.

Summit will conduct its first Laserdontics physician education seminar at its Watertown corporate headquarters on Nov. 30th. This program is modeled after the company's highly successful Visions and Visionary programs which will have educated over 1,000 ophthalmologists by the end of 1990 in the use of the excimer laser for the treatment of common vision disorders. The one-day Laserdontics program will introduce the dentist to the excimer laser and its endodontic applications. Topics will include laser physics, beam tissue interaction and there will be a hands-on wet lab. Over 50 dentists have pre-registered for the first Laserdontics program. Summit is preparing an application to be filed with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for an investigational device exemption which would enable the company to conduct clinical trials.

Eleven thousand dentists are expected to attend the American Dental Association Annual Scientific Meeting. In the United States alone, there are 5,000 endodontists performing 60 percent of all root canals.

Summit is on target for its forecasted revenue projections of $10-12 million for fiscal year 1990, ending Dec. 31. This revenue will come predominately from the sale of the ExciMed UV200 to ophthalmologists.

Summit Technology, Inc. has established a leadership position in designing, manufacturing and marketing medical excimer laser systems. A major focus of the company's business is in ophthalmology where applications have been developed for the treatment of common vision disorders including near-sightedness, far-sightedness, glaucoma, astigmatism, and superficial diseases of the cornea. Summit has received six Investigational Device Exemption approvals from the F.D.A. for clinical trials with its excimer laser systems. To date, the Summit Technology ExciMed UV200 excimer laser system has been used to treat approximately 900 patients in opthalmology clinical trials at 20 domestic and 40 international sites.

CONTACT: Helen Maslocka of Summit Technology, 617-923-9633

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DEARBORN, MI (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) has committed more than half a billion dollars to facilities for developing and producing electronic components that will give its customers the products they want and need, Ford Chairman Harold A. Poling said here today.

Addressing the "Convergence 1990" biennial conference of the International Congress on Transportation Electronics, Poling said that even though quality and productivity improvements in the electronics industry have been impressive in recent years, he anticipates "even greater achievements" in the years ahead.

"Over the past 15 years," he said, as an example, "costs of electronic components such as diodes and transistors have decreased by 35 percent, while costs of automotive goods and services in general have more than doubled due to inflation."

To stay in the forefront of automotive electronics technology, Poling cited several areas where Ford is "aggressively investing in facilities to develop future electronic products and systems":

-- New dynamometer facilities are being built in the United States, Germany and England to prove out electronic powertrain and chassis systems in parallel with vehicle design. By the mid-1990s, Ford will have replaced, redesigned or improved virtually all of its existing powertrains in North America and Europe.

-- A renovation and expansion of Ford's Scientific Research Labs in Dearborn, Mich., will house a project to develop silicon-based sensors for meeting environmental and safety requirements.

-- A joint venture company involving Ford, Mazda and Sanyo will be established in Asia to design, develop and manufacture automotive audio products, with manufacturing facilities in Malaysia. Ford plans to use radios from the new venture primarily in vehicles produced and sold in the Asia-Pacific region.

-- A state-of-the-art plant will be built in Portugal to supply radios and other high technology audio components for Ford cars and trucks assembled in Europe.

-- Two high-tech electronic components plants have been recently dedicated: one in Spain, which builds electronic engine control modules, and the other near Philadelphia, which produces engine control modules, sensors and electronic equipment that controls braking, suspension, steering and other vehicle systems.

CONTACT: Tom Foote of Ford, 313-322-9600

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CONCORD, N.C. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - First Charter Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: FCTR), Concord, North Carolina, the holding company for First Charter National Bank, has announced unaudited results for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 1990.

Net income for the three month period ended September 30, 1990 was $613,729 versus $420,273 for the comparable period in 1989, which represents a 46.0 percent increase. Primary and fully diluted earnings per share for the period were $.21, compared to $.14 for the same period in 1989. The increase in net income is attributable to a non recurring loss in 1989. Net income from continuing operations decreased 37.0 percent from 1989. Primary and fully diluted earnings per shared from continuing operations decreased from $.33 in 1989 to $.21 for 1990. The decrease is primarily attributable to a gain in 1989 on the sale of surplus real estate and a gain on the sale of securities which occurred in 3rd quarter of 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 was $2,084,662 versus $1,697,429 for the comparable period in 1989, for a 22.8 percent increase. Primary and fully diluted earnings per share for the period were $.71 compared to $.57 for the same period in 1989. Net income from continuing operations decreased 15.2 percent from 1989. Primary and fully diluted earnings per share from continuing operations decreased from $.83 at September 30, 1989 to $.71 at September 30, 1990.

On an annualized basis, this net income represents a return on average assets of 1.16 percent versus .98 percent and a return on average equity of 9.93 percent versus 8.31 percent.

Total assets at Septemberr 30, 1990 were $238,636,207, down 2.1 percent from September 30, 1989. Total loans decreased .7 percent to $153,225,090, while total deposits were up 8.2 percent to $201,007,069 over September 30, 1989. Total shareholders' equity was $28,560,470 at September 30, 1990 which represents a book value per share of $9.77. The decrease in total assets and loans is attributable to the sale of the mortgage subsidiary.

First Charter National Bank, the principal subsidiary of First Charter Corporation with headquarters in Concord, N.C., provided a full range of retail and commercial banking services. The Trust Department also offers a broad range of personal and employee benefit services. Markets served by the bank include Cabarrus, northern Mecklenburg and southern Rowan Counties.

The Common Stock for First Charter Corporation is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FCTR. NASD market makers include Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc., Inc., Interstate/Johnson Lane Corporation and Koonce Securities, Inc.

First Charter Corporation and Subsidiary
Consolidated Balance Sheets

September 30, 1990 (Unaudited)	December 31, 1989	September 30, 1989 (Unaudited)
(Dollars in thousands) ASSETS:		

Cash and due from banks	$9,647	$14,414	$10,798
Investment securities	64,441	61,011	61,529
Federal funds sold	700	11,000	-
Loans, net	153,225	145,781	154,243
Other assets	10,623	16,562	17,122
Total assets	$238,636	$248,768	$243,692
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:			
Total deposits	$201,007	$198,330	$185,840
Short-term borrowings	6,707	20,610	28,256
Other liabilities	2,362	2,601	2,132
Total liabilities	210,076	221,541	216,228
Total shareholders' equity	28,560	27,227	27,464
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	$238,636	$248,768	$243,692

Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	(Dollars in thousands, except per share)			
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Total interest income	$5,737	$5,668	$16,745	$16,158
Total interest expense	3,098	3,232	8,954	8,599
Net interest income	2,639	2,436	7,791	7,559
Provision for loan losses	205	129	475	405
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	2,434	2,307	7,316	7,154
Total other operating income	580	922	1,813	2,052
Total other operating expense	2,130	1,908	6,387	5,939
Income before income taxes	884	1,321	2,742	3,267
Income taxes	270	348	657	809
Net income from continuing operations	614	973	2,085	2,458
Loss from discontinued operations	-	(553)	-	(761)
Net income	$614	$420	$2,085	$1,697
Per share data: Primary and fully diluted				
Net income from continuing operations	$0.21	$0.33	$0.71	$0.83
Net income from discontinued operations	-	(0.19)	-	(0.26)
Net income	$0.21	$0.14	$0.71	$0.57
Cash dividends declared	$0.09	$0.09	$0.27	$0.25
Book value	$9.77	$9.45	$9.77	$9.45
Average common equivalent shares	2,924,727	2,945,950	2,928,476	2,962,302

CONTACT: Lawrence M. Kimbrough, First Charter Corporation, 704-786-3300

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Sybron Acquisition Co. today announced it is continuing to pay its regular quarterly stock dividend on its $4.125 cumulative senior exchangeable preferred stock.

The dividend will be payable in additional shares of the senior exchangeable preferred stock Nov. 15 to holders of record on Nov. 1, 1990. The shares issued as dividends will have a stated value of $25 per share. Any fractional shares will be paid in cash.

Sybron announced that, as in the past, it will continue to pay such quarterly stock dividends at an annual rate of $4.125 on each Feb. 15, May 15, Aug. 15 and Nov. 15 to holders of record the preceding first of the month until otherwise directed by the company's board.

CONTACT: R. Jeffrey Harris, 414-274-6600, or Joe Moran, 414-289-9700, of Sybron Acquisition

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#90288p4627 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Henry A. Nickol, general manager of Vehicle Operations for Ford Motor Company's North American Automotive Operations, has been elected a vice president of the company, Chairman Harold A. Poling announced today.

Nickol has been head of the Vehicle Operations activity since it was established Sept. 1. He will continue in that position, reporting to Alex Trotman, executive vice president, North American Automotive Operations. Vehicle Operations presently consists of Body and Assembly Operations and Body Engineering.

Nickol joined Ford in 1953 as a trainee with Engineering Staff. He has held a number of senior positions in engineering management in the Product Development Group, Car Engineering, Chassis Division and Engine Division. He became engineering director, Powertrain Engineering, in 1983; general manager of Engine Division in 1984, general manager of Transmission and Chassis Division in 1986 and general manager of Powertrain Operations in 1988.

Nickol was born Feb. 20, 1932, in Detroit. He received a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Detroit and a master's degree in engineering mechanics from the University of Michigan. He is a member of the Scientific Research Society of America and the Society of Automotive Engineers and was elected a fellow of the Engineering Society of Detroit in 1986. He lives in Farmington Hills, Mich.

CONTACT: Tom Foote of Ford, 313-322-9600

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#90288p4629 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - CXR Corporation (AMEX: CXR) today announced the formation of CXR U.K., Ltd., a wholly- owned subsidiary, headquartered in London, to sell and service the company's systems, instruments and modems. Peter Birch, formerly with Halcyon, Ltd., has been named general manager.

"This is another step in our planned program to be an important participant in the European Common Market's data and telecommunications markets," F. Jack Gorry, president and chief executive officer of CXR Corporation, said. "We are encouraged by the rapid and continuing success in Europe of our Gentilly, France-based subsidiary, CXR, S.A., and believe we can achieve the same kind of acceptance in the U.K.," he added. Previously, CXR has served U.K. customers from its U.S. facilities.

CONTACT: F. Jack Gorry, president and CEO of CXR, 408-435-8520; or Hal LeVay of Porter, LeVay & Rose, 212-564-4700, for CXR

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#90288p4631 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVING, TEXAS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE -- ShowBiz Pizza Time, Inc. (NASDAQ: SHBZ) today announced that continued increases in comparable period sales in both of its operating concepts led the company to substantially increased earnings for the three and nine months ended Sept. 28, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 increased by 9.7 percent to $48.4 million from $44.1 million in the third quarter of 1989. Operating income of $5.4 million was generated in the third quarter of 1990 as compared to an operating loss of $597,000 incurred in the third quarter of 1989. The prior year third quarter operating loss resulted from a $4.5 million provision for asset write-offs related to the closing of 27 Monterey House restaurants.

The company reported net income for the third quarter of 1990 of $4.4 million, or $.72 per share, as compared to a net loss of $1.8 million in the third quarter of 1989. If third quarter 1989 results were adjusted to eliminate the effect of the charge related to restaurant closings, a 36.4 percent increase in operating income and a 60.3 percent increase in net income would have resulted between the two periods.

The company's improved performance during the third quarter was largely the result of a 5.2 percent increase in comparable store sales by company-owned ShowBiz and Chuck E. Cheese's restaurants and a 29.4 percent increase in comparable store sales from the company's Monterey's Tex-Mex Cafe Restaurants

between the two periods.= The company also has opened four new ShowBiz/Chuck E. Cheese's restaurants and acquired six existing restaurants which had previously been franchised or managed by the company for others in the first nine months of 1990.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 increased by 6.7 percent to $138.9 million from $130.1 million in the comparable period of 1989. Operating income more than tripled to $14.9 million in the first nine months of 1990 from $4.6 million in the comparable period of the prior year.

The company generated net income of $11.7 million, or $1.93 per share on a fully diluted basis, in the first nine months of 1990 as compared with $2.0 million, or $.31 per share, on a fully diluted basis in the first nine months of the prior year. If results of the first three quarters of 1989 were adjusted to eliminate the effect of the charge related to restaurant closings, an increase of 64.2 percent in operating income and an increase of 79.2 percent in net income would have resulted between the two periods.

ShowBiz operates a system of 263 ShowBiz Pizza Place and Chuck E. Cheese restaurants, of which 139 are company operated in 23 states, and 27 Mexican restaurants operating as Monterey's Tex-Mex Cafe restaurants in Texas and Oklahoma.

CONTACT: Michael H. Magusiak, executive vice president and chief financial officer of ShowBiz Pizza Time, 214-258-8507

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#90288p4634 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

JENKINTOWN, PA. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Flagship Financial Corp.'s (NASDAQ: FLGF) board of directors today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.10 per share.

This dividend will be paid on Nov. 16, 1990, to common stockholders of record of Nov. 2, and marks the 17th consecutive dividend since the security began trading publicly in 1986.

Flagship Financial, which ranks among the 10 largest publicly traded thrifts in Pennsylvania, conducts business through its wholly owned subsidiaries First American Savings and Brandywine Savings Bank. First American currently operates 12 full-service and six "convenience" branches in Pennsylvania and New Jersey; its five New Jersey facilities are expected to be closed by year end. Brandywine Savings Bank operates nine full-service branches in Chester County, Pa. The common stock of Flagship Financial is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FLGF.

CONTACT: Bonnie P. Ciaramella of Flagship Financial, 215-576-3078

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#90288p4635 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

FREEPORT, NY (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - LeaRonal, Inc., (NYSE: LRI) today reported that net income for its second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 was $1,915,000 or $.22 per share on sales of $34,397,000 compared to net income of $2,529,000 or $.29 per share on sales of $32,493,000 for the corresponding quarter of the prior fiscal year.

The company reported net income for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990 of $3,982,000 or $.45 per share on sales of $70,921,000 compared to net income of $5,221,000 or $.59 per share on sales of $69,353,000 for the corresponding period ended Aug. 31, 1989.

Process sales, which are sales of proprietary chemical specialties, electronic and imaging chemicals and do not include the price of precious metals, increased 15 percent to $13,089,000 for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990 up from $11,345,000 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989. Process sales for the six month period ended Aug. 31, 1990 were $27,292,000, an increase of 17 percent from $23,374,000 for the prior year period.

Ron Ostrow, president and chief executive officer, indicated that the growth in process sales was achieved in the company's foreign markets and primarily from new product technologies. The decline in net income reflects lower margins on newly introduced products, softness in the domestic electronics industry, the impact of a $250,000 ($0.03 per share) non-recurring, non-tax deductible charge related to environmental compliance matters at one of its U.S. facilities, foreign currency exchange losses related to the company's Swiss subsidiary U.S. dollar denominated investments, and a provision to reduce the carrying value of the company's short term investments to the lower of cost or market.

LeaRonal, Inc. develops and markets a wide variety of specialty chemicals utilized in the electronics and metal finishing industries.

CONTACT: David Rosenthal, vice president of finance of LeaRonal, 516-868-8800

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#90288p4636 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOPKINTON, MA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Avatar Corporation announces that it will provide IBM 3270 communications support for the new Apple Macintosh LC, Macintosh Classic, and Macintosh IIsi personal computers through its MacMainFrame Series of Macintosh-to-IBM mainframe connectivity products.

The MacMainFrame Series includes Workstation and Gateway products for Macintosh computers in Coax, Token Ring, and SDLC environments and is available for all Macintosh computers, including the new Macintosh CPUs.

The MacMainFrame Series will include a new MacMainFrame card designed for the Processor Direct Slot of the Macintosh LC and will be available in the first quarter, 1991. Macintosh-to-mainframe connectivity is immediately available for the Macintosh Classic via Avatar's MacMainFrame DX and for the Macintosh IIsi via all of the MacMainFrame Workstation and Gateway products.

"Avatar has always provided IBM 3270 connectivity for each new Macintosh upon its introduction and these Macintosh computers are no exception," said Tom Bogan, president of Avatar.

"These new Macintosh CPUs give users the opportunity to combine the ease of use of the Macintosh and the power of the IBM mainframe in a variety of high performance, low price configurations.

"We see an opportunity for the Macintosh LC and Macintosh Classic to be used for IBM 3270 connectivity in remote or home office locations or in cases where entry-level Macintosh computers are the best solution. And with Avatar's MacMainFrame Series of Workstation and Gateway products, Macintosh-to-mainframe connectivity is easily accomplished."

The MacMainFrame Series includes the same easy-to-use features that are in all MacMainFrame Workstation and MacMainFrame Gateway products. The MacMainFrame Series features IBM 3278/3279 terminal emulation, 3179G/3192G host graphics emulation, 3287 printer emulation, file transfer capabilities, copy and paste, keyboard remapping, pull-down and tear-off menus, customizable color palettes, an EasyKeys macro facility and MultiFinder support.

With multiple host sessions available, users can utilize financial, word processing, graphics and electronic mail host applications at the same time and conduct file transfers in the background using any of those IBM 3270 host sessions.

MacMainFrame provides true IBM terminal emulation combining the ease of use of the Macintosh with the power of the mainframe, allowing MIS managers to easily integrate MacMainFrame into an existing or new network.

CONTACT: Heidi Palmer of Avatar Corporation, (508) 435-3000 ext. 362.

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#90288p4637 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - I-Flow Corp. (NASDAQ: IFLO), manufacturer of a drug infusion system for the home health care market, announced today that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has granted permission for the company to market its Multi-Drug(tm) Infusion System.

The Multi-Drug Infusion System is an ambulatory intravenous infusion system

designed to provide therapeutic delivery of drugs or other prescribed fluids, for chemotherapy, antibiotics, TPN, hydration and other applications for the treatment of such diseases as cancer and AIDS. The product can be programmed to deliver multiple drugs through separate channels at variable flow rates for ambulatory and out-patient care.

The product provides significant benefits for patients requiring treatment of multiple symptoms or diseases. Such applications as antibiotics or chemotherapy can be combined with hydration or nutritional treatments through separate infusion channels to produce a complimentary therapeutic program. The Multi-Drug Infusion System, the company's initial entry into the $6 billion home care market, is designed to meet the medical community's need for an ambulatory infusion system that can deliver multiple infusions, be programmed over a wide range of therapies and yet is easy for the nurse, technician or patient to use.

"As we near completion of the development of our new product, we are excited about its opportunities in the home care market. The ambulatory Multi-Drug Infusion System's remote programming capabilities, coupled with its unique combination of features and benefits, make it one of the most versatile and easy-to-use infusion systems available," said Donald M. Earhart, I-Flow's chief executive officer and president.

I-Flow Corp. is developing a multiple drug infusion system designed to meet the needs of the health care provider specializing in ambulatory and out-patient care.

CONTACT: Donald M. Earhart, president, or James Dal Porto, of I-Flow Corp., 714-553-0888.

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#90288p4639 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Walt Disney Co. Chairman and CEO Michael Eisner will host more than 1,500 of the nation's top business executives at the 17th annual National Business Hall of Fame Conference, presented by Junior Achievement, April 18, 1991, at Disney's Yacht and Beach Club Resorts. The event honors the greats of American business and outstanding Junior Achievement volunteers.

Conference highlights include the induction of 1991 laureates into the National Business Hall of Fame plus a provocative session on education moderated by former CBS News President Fred Friendly.

Details of the conference were announced by Karl Flemke, president and CEO of Junior Achievement Inc. Eisner will give the conference keynote address and will be joined by entertainer Dinah Shore in hosting the day's main event - the National Business Hall of Fame dinner presenting the 1991 inductees

selected by Fortune magazine's board of editors.

"The business leaders we will honor are excellent role models, not only for our youth, but for all of us who are striving toward excellence in our chosen fields," said Eisner.

Among the 128 members of the National Business Hall of Fame are: Walt Disney, Ray Kroc, Estee Lauder, H. Ross Perot, William R. Hewlett and David Packard, John D. Rockefeller, Henry Flagler and Liz Claiborne.

CONTACT: Walt Disney World Press & Publicity department, 407-824-4531.

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#90288p4640 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Edward J. Bassett, director of equity investments, was appointed vice president-Du Pont Pension Fund Investment, effective Nov. 1, it was announced today.

Bassett will succeed Keith E. Tucker, vice president-pension fund investment, who will retire Oct. 31 after 17 years of service.

Bassett, 46, joined Du Pont (NYSE: DD) in 1977 as an equity analyst in the Pension Fund Investment Department where he held various positions, before becoming equity portfolio manager in 1980, head of equity research in 1984 and director of equity investments in 1986.

He is a chartered financial analyst and a member of the Association for Investment Management and Research and the Financial Executives Institute. He also serves on the investment committee of the National Parks and Recreation Association of Washington.

Born in Philadelphia, Bassett was graduated magna cum laude from the University of Maryland in 1972 with a bachelor of science degree in economics.

Bassett and his wife, the former Mary Ann Brackin of Kelton, Pa., have two children and live in Chadds Ford, Pa.

Tucker, 57, joined Du Pont in 1973 as special assistant in the Treasurer's Department. In 1975, he was transferred to the Pension Fund Investment Department as head of fixed income investments and was named vice president-pension fund investment in 1986.

Born in New York City, Tucker was graduated from Bucknell University in 1955 with a B.S. degree in commerce and finance.

He and his wife, the former Mary Willoschat of St. Albans, N.Y., have five children and live in Newark, Del.

CONTACT: Loretta Clevenger of Du Pont, 302-774-6695

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ALLENTOWN, PA. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Penn Treaty American Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: PTAC) President Irving Levit has announced that Eric A. Rohtla has joined the firm as chief financial officer.

In his new position, Rohtla will be responsible for private and institutional investor relations, financial forecasting and corporate budget control.

Rohtla has more than 10 years executive financial management experience in the insurance industry, most recently with CIGNA Corp., Philadelphia. He also has provided consulting services for the design of long-term care insurance programs for retirement communities and assisted care living facilities. Rohtla is a graduate of Lehigh University and holds a master's degree in financial management from Drexel University in Philadelphia.

Penn Treaty American Corp., through its direct and indirect wholly owned subsidiaries is primarily engaged in the underwriting, marketing and sale of individual, fixed, defined benefit accident and health insurance policies covering principally long-term skilled, intermediate and custodial nursing home care and home health care.

CONTACT: Michael F. Grill of Penn Treaty American, 800-222-3469

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Charter One Financial, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: COFI), holding company for The First Federal Savings Bank, today declared a 7 percent increase in its regular quarterly dividend. The action raises the quarterly rate to $0.15 per share from $0.14 per share and increases the annualized rate to $0.60 per share.

The dividend will be payable Nov. 14, 1990 to shareholders of record Oct. 29, 1990. It is the second dividend increase this year and the fourth raise since Charter One went public in January 1988.

Charles John Koch, president and chief executive officer, said, "This further increase in dividends is warranted due to the additional positive impact on core earnings resulting from the acquisition of Broadview Savings Bank in May of this year. We are particularly pleased with the progress of the consolidation of the two companies which is now essentially complete. With a full quarter behind us, we find that the high quality loan portfolio we acquired has yielded even better results than originally expected. As a

result, we anticipate reporting record high third quarter earnings in the range of $0.72 to $0.77 per share, including gains from sales of securities amounting to approximately $0.10 per share."

Charter One Financial, Inc.'s subsidiary, The First Federal Savings Bank, operates 69 offices in Ohio, covering the greater Cleveland, Akron, Youngstown and Portsmouth markets, and Toledo, where the bank operates under the name People's Savings.

CONTACT: Charles John Koch, 216-566-5314; Leonard A. Krysinski, 216-566-5337; or James E. Pietrangelo, 216-566-5311; all of Charter One Financial, Inc.; or William L. Dupuy of Edward Howard & Co., 216-781-2400, for Charter One Financial, Inc.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Compaq Computer Corporation (NYSE: CPQ) today reduced the suggested resale prices of the COMPAQ DESKPRO 386/25e and the COMPAQ DESKPRO 386/20e.

The COMPAQ DESKPRO 386/25e is now: $6,799 for the Model 120 (reduced from $6,999); $6,199 for the Model 60 (reduced from $6,399); and $5,299 for the Model 1 (reduced from $5,499).

The COMPAQ DESKPRO 386/20e is now: $4,799 for the Model 110 (reduced from $5,599); $4,099 for the Model 40 (reduced from $4,899); and $3,399 for the Model 1 (reduced from $4,199).

"We have taken the aggressive pricing action on these PCs to maintain and expand Compaq's leadership position in the 386 desktop market, and to make these products available to a broader segment of the marketplace," said Michael S. Swavely, president, North America, Compaq Computer Corporation.

In 1986, Compaq introduced 386 technology to the PC marketplace with the COMPAQ DESKPRO 386. Today, Compaq offers 12 386-based personal computers in 33 models -- ranging from the new COMPAQ LTE 386s/20 notebook PC to the COMPAQ SYSTEMPRO PC System.

CONTACT: John Sweney, Debra Globe, Mike Berman or Nora Rice Compaq Computer Corporation, 713-374-0484; or Tony Sapienza or Bill Hughes of Miller Communications, 617-536-0470, for Compaq

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PHOENIX, ARIZ. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Norstan Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: NRRD) has sold an Aspect 300R Automatic Call Distribution system (ACD) to

America West Airlines based in Phoenix, Ariz. The Aspect ACD is already in use at the AmeriWest Vacations division of the airline. This purchase marks the first sale of an Aspect ACD to a major domestic airline. Norstan has the exclusive rights to sell and support Aspect Telecommunications products in the 10 states Norstan serves.

James Wehner, the president of Norstan's Southwest Region said "We are very excited and pleased that America West Airlines chose Norstan and the Aspect ACD to upgrade and improve its reservations system at AmeriWest Vacations." Wehner went on to say, "I believe Norstan's timely commitment to service and installation were major reasons America West chose our system."

America West Airlines is the nation's 10th largest carrier and serves more than 60 cities. America West's hubs are located in Phoenix, Ariz., and Las Vegas, Nev. The company is growing at a rate of between 20 and 30 percent each year. The AmeriWest Vacations division has also experienced similar growth. America West purchased the Aspect 300R to meet the company's growing number of daily reservations calls. Results have shown that the new Aspect system has increased the efficiency of AmeriWest Vacation's reservations group since it went on line in late August.

Aspect Telecommunications (NASDAQ: ASPT) headquartered in San Jose, Calif., develops, markets and supports customer-premises, application specific telecommunications systems throughout the United States.

Norstan, Inc., based in Maple Grove, Minn., is a multi-product communications services company which sells, installs, services and supports BUSINESS telephone equipment. The company has 1,200 employees in 21 cities and 10 states and serves over 8,000 customers.

CONTACT: James Wehner, president, Southwest Region, 602-273-6400 or Patrick Brink, 612-420-1146, both of Norstan

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MORRISTOWN, NJ (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Barringer Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: BARR) today announced that its Barringer Instruments subsidiary has been awarded an order for its Ionscan explosive detection equipment to be utilized in a Middle East country. This represents the first order for the use of Ionscan in the detection of explosives. Discussions continue for additional orders for equipment in this region and elsewhere.

Due to the highly sensitive use of this equipment, as well as military secrecy the exact location of the equipment cannot be disclosed.

Other Ionscan equipment has been delivered to other customers for use in the detection of drugs and chemical warfare.

Stanley Binder, president of Barringer Resources, said that the Ionscan equipment can detect the presence of a wide variety of explosives containing plastiques. "It has been shown to be highly effective in the detection of plastic explosives in various tests conducted by the U.S. and Canadian governments," Binder said.

Binder also announced that the Barringer Instruments subsidiary will soon commence a $1.4 million program to apply its Ionscan (IMS) techniques to wood species sorting.

Industry, Science and Technology, Canada (ISTC), a branch of the Canadian government, and a consortium of Canadian Forest Industry Companies led by Weyerhaeuser have each agreed to fund 50 percent of the cost of the program. Work is scheduled to begin immediately upon completion of contract documentation, slated for November of this year. Forintek Canada, the Canadian Wood Products Industry National Research Institute charged with research and development initiatives, sponsored initial research to apply IMS to identify various wood species and will be a co-participant in this program.

Barringer successfully completed both laboratory and field tests at a saw mill using its Ionscan equipment, which resulted in the awarding of the present program. This program marks the entry of Barringer's Ionscan equipment into the on-line process control market.

Barringer will hold the exclusive worldwide marketing rights for this wood speciation system and has identified a substantial market for the instrumentation, including forest industry companies worldwide.

Headquartered in Morristown, Barringer Resources Inc. is a holding company with two operating entities. Barringer Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ: BALB), 48 percent owned, provides analytical testing services for the environmental and minerals industries. Barringer Instruments Inc. develops, manufactures and markets specialty analytical instruments for security, law enforcement, exploration and environmental monitoring applications.

CONTACT: Stanley Binder, president of Barringer Resources, 201-984-5760; or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Barringer Resources

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PASADENA, CA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Avery International Corporation (NYSE, PSE: AVY) and Dennison Manufacturing Company (NYSE: DSN) announced today that both companies have agreed to give the Department of Justice through Oct. 17, 1990, to complete its review of the proposed merger and to finalize the terms of a consent decree with the companies. The companies plan to close their

merger on Oct. 18, 1990, or sooner if the Department of Justice completes its review before then.

Additionally, Charles D. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer of Avery and Nelson S. Gifford, chairman and chief executive officer of Dennison, announced the planned organizational structure of Avery Dennison Corporation, which will be effective upon consummation of the merger.

These organizational changes affect the four major operating groups where Avery and Dennison have complementary businesses, as well as the key officers who will be charged with leading those operations. The other three operating groups for Avery Dennison - Materials U.S.; Materials Europe; and Graphic and Fastening Systems - will not be affected by the merger.

As previously announced, Miller will be chairman and chief executive officer of Avery Dennison Corporation and Gifford will be vice chairman. Donald D. Belcher will assume the newly created position of senior group vice president of the new Office Products Group, responsible for the combined worldwide office products businesses of Avery Dennison. Belcher, who currently serves as group vice president of Avery's Converted Products Group, will continue to report to Philip M. Neal, executive vice president.

Reporting to Belcher will be Dennison Stationery Products Company, Dennison Monarch, Dennison Canada, Avery Commercial Products Division and K&M Company.

Also reporting to him will be Avery Dennison Stationery Products - Europe, which includes Dennison's major European subsidiaries, Doret and Cheval-Ordex, in France; Dennison Spain; Avery Myers and Avery Guidex in the United Kingdom; and Avery's office products businesses in Benelux and France.

In the primary labeling area, Anthony F. Bova, senior vice president, Dennison Systems and Packaging, will assume the newly created position of group vice president of the new Packaging and Labels Group, reporting to Neal.

Bova will be responsible for the Avery Industrial Products Division operations located in the United States. Also reporting to Bova will be the Dennison operations for Therimage, IPC/PSC, Dennison Control Print, Specialty Products and Metallized Paper. In addition, Avery Canada will become part of the Packaging and Labels Group.

CONTACT: Diane B. Dixon (media), (818) 304-2118, or Wayne H. Smith (investors) (818) 304-2001, both of Avery; or Linda J. Sadowski (investors) of Dennison, (508) 879-0525, ext. 3334.

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WALTHAM, MA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO)

today announced that its Tecomet metallurgical division has received a 3-1/2-year contract valued at a minimum of $2 million as the exclusive provider of small, high-efficiency satellite thrusters to Atlantic Research Corporation.

Under the agreement, Tecomet will supply hardware for more than 200 five-pound-class bipropellant thrusters to Atlantic Research's Liquid Propulsion Division, Niagara Falls, N.Y.

The thrusters will be used in several commercial and government communications satellite programs. Shipments are expected to begin next March and continue through 1993. The agreement also provides for additional production by Tecomet under an optional follow-on contract.

Tecomet, with operations in Wilmington and Marlborough, Mass., and Tempe, Ariz., specializes in precision and difficult-to-work metals fabrication for aerospace, defense, and medical applications. The company currently supplies Atlantic Research with hardware for thrusters ranging in size from the 2-1/2- to 600-pound classes and other auxiliary bipropellant systems.

Thermo Electron develops, manufactures and markets environmental and analytical instruments, custom-engineered and pre-packaged cogeneration systems, industrial process equipment, biomedical materials and products, and fabricated biomedical and aerospace components. The company also provides metallurgical heat treating, water quality engineering, and analytical laboratory services.

CONTACT: John N. Hatsopoulos of Thermo Electron Corporation, (617) 622-1111.

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#90288p4660 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLARK, N.J. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Q-Med, Inc. (NASDAQ: QEKG) today reported a net income for the third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 of $184,589 (.03 per share) including a gain of $1,300,920 (.20 per share) on the sale of assets of its Heart Map subsidiary, compared to losses of $389,120 (.06 per share) in the same quarter last year. Losses for the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, after giving effect to such gain wee $178,607 (.03 per share) compared to losses of $1,020,276 (.17 per share) in the same period last year.

Q-MED, INC.

	Nine months		Three months	
Periods ended Aug. 31;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales (net)	5,047,841	5,656,604	1,436,334	1,541,352
Other inc. (exp.)	(46,128)	57,042	(99,765)	14,858
Net loss from cont. opers.	(1,479,527)	(1,020,276)	(1,116,331)	(389,120)
Gain on				

discontinued opers.	1,300,920	--	1,300,920	--
Net inc. (loss)	(178,607)	(1,020,276)	184,589	(389,120)
Income (Loss) Per Common & Common Equivalent Share:				
From cont. oper.	(.23)	(.17)	(.17)	(.06)
Gain from discont. opers.	.20	--	.20	--
Net inc. (loss)	(.03)	(.17)	.03	(.06)
Wtd. avg. no. of shrs. of com. stk. outsdng.	6,640,315	6,044,965	6,640,315	6,044,965

CONTACT: Michael W. Cox, president and CEO of Q-Med, 201-381-6880

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) will lead the region tonight in saluting our troops in Saudi Arabia for a national television audience by lighting its Crown Lights atop its headquarters building with the phrase "Philly Salutes Our Troops."

In addition to our Crown Lights, many buildings in downtown Philadelphia will be lit to further demonstrate the city's support for our troops. This is being done with the support of the Building Owners' and Managers' Association of Philadelphia (BOMA).

Nicholas DeBenedictis, PE's senior vice president for corporate and public affairs, said, "We hope this effort will lead all cities hosting a Monday night football game to light up in honor of our troops. The men and women in Saudi Arabia need to be in our thoughts daily as they preserve the freedom that we in this country so richly enjoy."

Monday Night Football is shown to our troops overseas through the Armed Forces Radio and Television networks. PE's Crown Lights will also WELCOME ABC Monday Night Football to Philadelphia for the game's coverage.

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NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Ocean Drilling & Exploration Co. (NYSE: ODR) announced that cores and logs from the confirmation well in Destin Dome 56 indicate the presence of natural gas in the Norphlet sandstone.

However, due to mechanical problems the 30 to 45 days of testing needed to confirm the results of the logs and cores will be delayed in order to complete a sidetrack operation. Ocean Drilling & Exploration Co. and Murphy Oil USA

Inc., each own a 16.67 percent interest in the well which is operated by Chevron. Chevron and Conoco Inc., a subsidiary of Du Pont, each own a 33.33 percent interest in the well.

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COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - A Troy, Ohio business owner is suing Banc One Corporation (NYSE: ONE) for more than $10 million, alleging the bank participated in a fraud and forgery scheme. Dennis A. Haack has charged Columbus-based Bank One with violation of the Racketeer Influenced & Corrupt Organizations (RICO) Act of 1970.

Haack alleges that throughout 1988-89 he was victimized by Bank One's former Troy branch manager Brian Harvey, Troy resident Ferdie Murphy, Jr., and others.

The lawsuit contends that Harvey, Murphy, and other defendants forged the names of Haack and his wife, Sandra, in order to make unauthorized and illegal loans in the names of Haack and his companies, S&F Marketing, Inc. and Motion Furniture Shoppes, Inc. These loans were then used by the defendants to pay other unauthorized loans.

Haack asserts that forging his signature to make loans, then using those illegal loans to pay other unauthorized loans, was a pattern that was repeated time and again over a period of several months.

The lawsuit states that at least $170,000 was wrongfully borrowed by the defendants. Haack further claims that, as a result of this manipulation, his Bank One accounts were constantly overdrawn, leading to exorbitant bad check charges and credit problems. The lawsuit notes that the federal, state, and local tax implications Haack will face as a result of the defendants' activities have yet to be calculated.

Attorney Robert G. Palmer of the Columbus law firm McCarthy, Palmer, Volkema and Becker is representing Haack. The lawsuit was filed on Sept. 19 in United States District Court in Dayton. The case has been assigned to Judge Walter Rice. In his lawsuit, Haack asks for compensatory damages of $1.5 million; punitive damages of $10 million; three times the amount of his actual damages; attorney fees and all related costs.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - A jump-strut nose gear designed to permit quicker aircraft takeoffs has been produced by Menasco Aerosystems of Fort Worth, Texas, and will be tested by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Ames Research Center starting in November.

The jump-strut nose gear will kick the aircraft's nose up during takeoff. This would permit takeoffs from shorter runways or from damaged runways.

The jump-strut nose gear is being installed on Ames' experimental Quiet Short-haul Research Aircraft (QSRA). "The QSRA," said Ames project manager Joe Eppel, "is designed for short takeoffs and is very stable at slow speeds. This makes it an ideal aircraft for this type of research."

About 12 flights are planned during November and December, Eppel said. The jump-strut research program is a joint effort by NASA, the Air Force and Menasco Aerosystems, a division of Coltec Industries. NASA will provide the aircraft, flight test facilities and manpower; the Air Force provided $80,000 for funding; and Menasco, a designer and manufacturer of landing gear of military and commercial aircraft, built the jump-strut.

The jump-strut looks like a standard nose wheel landing gear. Attached to the main strut is a spherical vessel pressurized with nitrogen gas. When activated, the gas is released into a pneumatic cylinder within the shock strut that pushes a piston rod attached to the nose wheel. This forces the aircraft's nose up. The jump-strut on the QSRA will be activated by a switch in the cockpit.

A 1987 study by Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Company, Burbank, Calif., investigated the QSRA jump-strut takeoff benefits and concluded the distance required for takeoff could be reduced by 10 percent to 12 percent by using a nose gear jump-strut.

"The military is concerned about being able to use partially destroyed runways. With a jump-strut, a plane can get airborne sooner, reducing the need for the entire runway," Eppel said.

Pat McDowell, director of marketing, Menasco Aerosystems, said, "We are proud to be participating in the development of a landing gear that will give our armed forces a tactical advantage in combat. Our gear also will increase the flexibility of commercial aircraft by allowing a significant increase in takeoff gross weight with normal ground roll or increasing the safety margin."

The QSRA, a modified De Havilland Buffalo, first flew July 6, 1978. The four jet engines mounted on top of the wing are insulated to keep engine noise to a minimum. The thrust of the aircraft's engines assist the wing's lift capability by deflecting the exhaust over the wing and downward. This allows

the QSRA to take off and land in very short distances.

Coltec Industries Inc., based in New York, is a privately owned manufacturing company with 1989 revenues of $1.52 billion serving aerospace, automotive and other industrial markets.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Uptons Department Stores, a leading southeastern fashion retail chain, continues expansion in Hampton Roads with a new store opening in Pembroke Mall, Virginia Beach, Va.

Uptons' grand opening festivities on Friday, Oct. 19, and Saturday, Oct. 20, to coincide with Pembroke Mall's 24th anniversary celebration. Pembroke Mall Hampton Roads' first enclosed mall, is located at the intersection of Independence Boulevard and Virginia Beach Boulevard.

Uptons will support the two-day grand opening with free T-shirts for the first 250 visitors, live music, entertainment and a grand opening sweepstakes.

According to David Layne, president of Atlanta-based Uptons, "Our anchor store in Pembroke Mall will offer the customer 65,000 square feet of shopping excitement, filled with fashion merchandise for the entire family."

Uptons features branded and private label fashions for women, men and children as well as intimate apparel, accessories, jewelry and shoes.

Uptons entered the Hampton Roads market in November 1989 with openings in Fairfield Shopping Center, Virginia Beach, and Patrick Henry Mall, Newport News, Va. Last March Uptons opened in Chesapeake's Crossways Center, across from Greenbrier Mall.

With the opening of Pembroke Mall, Uptons has a total of 29 stores throughout the Southeast.

The new Uptons in Pembroke Mall will open at 9 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 19.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - American Mobile Satellite Corporation today announced the appointment of Robert A. Kerstein as chief financial officer, and vice president. He will start Monday, Nov. 5.

Kerstein comes to AMSC from RK Associates, where he was the president. RK Associates is a managing consulting practice in Bellevue, Wash., focussed on start-up and high-growth companies.

Prior to that, Kerstein was a senior vice president and cellular chief financial officer for McCaw Cellular Communications, Inc. in Kirkland, Wash. There he was responsible for developing and implementing comprehensive programs that enhanced McCaw's financial and operational performance.

Prior to McCaw, Kerstein was the vice president and chief financial officer at Los Angeles Cellular Telephone Company. Prior to that, he was vice president and chief financial officer at Falcon Cable TV in Los Angeles.

"Bob's considerable background in the building and operating of communications companies makes him an ideal choice for AMSC," said Brian B. Pemberton, president and chief operating officer of AMSC. "His expertise will be invaluable to us as our operations grow." John Coker will continue as vice president and treasurer, focussing his attention on financing for the corporation.

AMSC was licensed by the Federal Communications Commission a year ago to launch and operate the mobile satellite system for the entire United States, including the continental United States, Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and 200 miles of coastal waters.

AMSC will begin providing mobile data services late this year via leased capacity on an existing satellite; full voice and high-speed data services will begin with the launch of AMSC's first satellite in 1993.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Compaq Computer Corporation (NYSE:CPQ) today announced the signing of key integration agreements with Microsoft Corporation (NASDAQ: MSFT), Novell, Inc. (NASDAQ: NOVL) and The Santa Cruz Operation, Inc. (SCO) to establish a more formal framework for their ongoing efforts to support multivendor PC-based solutions. The integration agreements provide for tested multivendor configurations and coordinated technical support and training for authorized resellers. Five key elements make up the agreements: Definition of certified platform configurations; testing and performance tuning of the platforms; supporting the components in the defined platforms; joint development of future products; and joint marketing.

"With the increasing pace of transition from minicomputers and mainframes to

PC-based networks, customers need high levels of support for the multivendor solutions they are considering for their computing requirements," said Michael S. Swavely, president, North America, Compaq Computer Corporation. "While these agreements are simply more formal extensions of our ongoing strategic relationships with these key systems software providers, the alliances we have announced today reinforce Compaq's commitment to our customers to provide thoroughly tested, certified configurations for high-performance multivendor solutions," he said.

The platform configurations will be defined jointly by Compaq with Microsoft, Novell and SCO and will be based on an understanding of customer needs and current and future trends in configurations and environments. The components covered will include base hardware, operating system, network operating system and key third-party components such as network interface cards and database and communications software. Integration labs will be established to develop and test each reference platform and communicate these tested configurations to authorized COMPAQ computer dealers.

All of the companies will focus a higher level of compatibility testing and performance tuning on the defined platforms. Microsoft, Novell and SCO will each jointly develop relevant new products with Compaq, share technical information and test early versions of products with Compaq. The results of the joint efforts will then be shared with dealers and customers.

Microsoft, Novell and SCO will each work with Compaq to create closer ties between their respective support organizations. This will include integration training classes, joint training of the authorized dealer technical and sales staffs, linked phone lines and procedures for the escalation and resolution of problems. The result will be enhanced support by Compaq for Microsoft, Novell and SCO products, and enhanced support of Compaq products by each of those companies.

Compaq will also work with these companies to communicate to the customer the benefits of the integration activities, conduct ongoing research on customer integration needs and participate in joint dealer and major account conferences.

"We have a long-established history with Compaq," said Steve Ballmer, senior vice president, Systems Software, Microsoft Corporation. "This comprehensive program ensures customers of a highly reliable set of connectivity solutions based upon Microsoft and Compaq systems products that are performance-tuned and well-supported," he said.

"This agreement is the natural evolution of our close working relationship with Compaq over the past four years," said Jim Bills, senior vice president, sales, Novell, Inc. "It demonstrates how industry partners, in cooperation with the dealer, are developing and supporting solutions needed by end users. This agreement formalizes our working relationship and strengthens our

commitment to provide end users with reliable network computing solutions. Novell is committed to working with Compaq and others to continue to grow this segment of the industry," he said.

"Open system customers need support to effectively configure, integrate and maintain today's multivendor solutions," said Doug Michels, Executive Vice-President & Co-founder of SCO. "These agreements will assure customers of getting the support they need to enjoy the full power and value of today's open system solutions," he said.

Compaq also plans to enter into a similar integration agreement with Banyan Systems, Inc. by the end of the year.

Compaq Computer Corporation is a world leader in the manufacture of PC systems and desktop, portable and laptop personal computers. COMPAQ products are sold in 65 countries through a network of more than 3,000 authorized COMPAQ computer dealers.

Founded in February 1982, Compaq has consistently set business and industry growth records. This year, Compaq achieved "Global Fortune 500 " status, as ranked (438) in Fortune Magazine's 1990 listing of the world's largest companies.

NOTE: COMPAQ, DESKPRO, SYSTEMPRO, Registered U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Product names mentioned herein may be trademarks and/or registered trademarks of their respective companies.

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SOUTHPORT, CONN. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Hunter Environmental Services, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HESI), announced that the Texas Water Commission (TWC) Hearings Examiner took full jurisdiction over the permitting process for the salt dome project of Hunter Industrial Facilities, Inc. (HIFI), a majority owned subsidiary.

This ruling in favor of HIFI allows the permitting process on the salt dome project to proceed in a timely fashion. Opponents of the project had attempted to delay the proceedings claiming the TWC lacked jurisdiction in the matter and that permitting should be delayed until additional regulations on salt dome storage were promulgated.

In taking full jurisdiction the hearings examiner effectively denied opponents' motions. Having overcome this hurdle, HIFI believes final permits will be awarded in the first half of 1991. The next step in the permitting

process, which entails evidentiary hearings on the technical merits of the permit, are scheduled to begin Dec. 3, 1990.

HESI has sold its other operational businesses in order to reduce debt and provide additional working capital for the salt dome project. With the completion of these sales (including the sale of its underground storage tank testing unit) the company believes it is now adequately capitalized to complete the permitting process and begin construction on the salt dome project. Project financing of $60-$70 million will be required to complete construction of the project.

Hunter Environmental Services, Inc., is an environmental service company devoted to developing and providing environmentally safe solutions to the fundamental problems surrounding disposal of hazardous waste.

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LYNN, MASS. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - GE Aircraft Engines (GEAE) has signed a $130 million contract to power Sikorsky Black Hawk helicopters for the Republic of Korea (ROK).

The T700s will be manufactured by Korean Air under a licensed co-production agreement that provides for initial engines to be built in GE's Lynn, Mass., facility, and a phase-in of engine production in the ROK.

The engines are the latest variant of GE's highly successful, T700 series, the -701C. With 10 percent more power, this 1,940 shaft horsepower (SHP) turboshaft engine significantly improves the Black Hawk's performance in hot, high-altitude conditions.

"GEAE is very pleased to be associated with a company of Korean Air's stature " said Louis A. Bevilacqua, general manager of GEAE's T700/CT7 Turboshaft Project Department. "We are especially pleased by the ROK government's choice of the T700."

"The T700 has demonstrated unparalleled reliability and operational capability in service around the world, and this choice reaffirms our customers' confidence in our engine," said Bevilacqua.

Since entering service, the T700 has set the standards for helicopter engine reliability, ease of maintenance, and ruggedness.

Nearly 6,000 engines in the T700 and related CT7 family have been shipped worldwide. Another 2,000 are on order.

Thirty military and commercial customers in 22 countries now operate aircraft powered by these engines, including all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces. The engines have logged more than 5.8 million flight hours under the most punishing of environmental conditions, from corrosive salt-laden air to the abrasive hot sands of the desert.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - NYNEX Information Solutions Group, through its London-based subsidiary The BIS Group, was awarded a $500,000 contract to provide London Underground -- one of the world's largest urban railways -- with a framework for developing new computer systems.

"What we're giving London Underground is a data model that will outline the types of data required to support business operations in the future," said Gordon Mackenzie, account executive, BIS Applied Systems. "It will be used in planning and controlling London Underground's strategic information systems."

A significant portion of the investment calls for new systems to improve the management of London Underground's extensive asset base of some 700,000 items including tunnels, signals, rolling-stock, 240 miles of track and 274 rail stations.

"The model is a key element of London Underground's strategy to manage its data as a corporate resource. BIS has helped define this strategy, and will play a leading role in its implementation," he continued.

BIS also won a contract with London Underground to review its information technology standards, which will also be used to develop new computer systems.

"BIS was awarded this contract after an open bid, and was successful because it was able to demonstrate its strong expertise in methods integration," said Russell Fawcett, head of Information Technology, London Underground.

NYNEX is working on other major information systems for the mass transit industry. They include a $33.5 million project for the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey for a parking revenue control system at the three metropolitan airports, and a similar system at the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

London Underground Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of London Regional Transport. Carrying more than 2.6 million passengers a day, it provides service 20 hours a day and runs 470 trains at peak times.

NYNEX Information Solutions Group, a subsidiary of NYNEX Corporation (NYSE: NYN), is a worldwide provider of application software, information technology consulting services and facilities management. Based in White Plains, the company has more than 7,000 employees in over 30 U.S. cities and 13 countries.

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MURFREESBORO, TENN. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Pricor Incorporated (NASDAQ: PRCO) officials announced today they will report a loss for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 of approximately $.10 per share. In the second quarter of fiscal 1990, the company posted a loss of $.04 per share.

Hubert L. McCullough, chief executive officer and board chairman, said second quarter results for fiscal 1991 ended September 30, 1990 "will be lower than last year due to one-time charges associated with the closing of the Houston Reintegration Center and operating losses experienced at certain residential facilities."

According to McCullough, the closing of the Houston facility, announced August 21 and completed September 30, was a result of a reduction in inmate referrals.

William J. Ballard, chief financial officer and treasurer, said, "The Mid-Valley Youth Center and the CCS Group Homes in California performed below expectations. The company is evaluating several options to improve profitability while providing quality services."

Shiloh, the company's newest residential treatment center in Tennessee, has shown slower than expected growth in its population since opening in the second quarter. Ballard pointed out, however, that the occupancy level at the 32-bed facility had increased from 34 percent on September 1 to 63 percent on September 30.

Pricor plans to release complete second quarter results in mid-November.

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ANTIOCH, TENN. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Growth Development Corp. (NASDAQ: GDCX) announced the acquisition of the Inn on the Green together with 35 building lots at Long Cove, both in Greensboro, Ga., adjoining the company's

Port Armor property.

These properties were acquired from Warringtons plc in exchange for 9,002,479 shares of Growth's common stock in an exchange valued at $3,150,000.

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Health Realty Income Trust (NYSE: UHT) announced today that the trust earned $3,278,000 or $.47 per share during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Cash available for distribution in the quarter was $4,122,000 or $.59 per share. The third quarter dividend of $.37 per share was paid on Oct. 1, 1990.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income per share was $1.02 and cash available for distribution per share was $1.39. For the same period in the prior year net income per share was $.89 and cash available for distribution per share was $1.24. Dividends paid per share were $1.11 for the 1990 period compared to $1.09 per share for the 1989 period.

Results for the quarter and the nine-month period include $1.4 million of cash interest payments received on a $13 million mortgage loan extended by the trust to a New Hampshire psychiatric facility. Approximately two-thirds of this amount relates to interest payments owed to the trust for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990, for which reserves had been established. While interest payments are now current on the loan and the hospital continues to generate sufficient revenues to support the mortgage obligations to the trust it is uncertain whether the trust can expect continued receipt of interest payments on a current basis due to the financial condition of the hospital's parent company. The trust said it believes that the mortgage loan is being carried at its realizable value and that a failure to receive interest currently will not adversely affect the ability of the trust to pay its regular quarterly dividend.

Universal Health Realty Income Trust, a real estate investment trust, invests in health care- and human service-related facilities including acute-care hospitals, psychiatric hospitals, substance-abuse recovery centers and rehabilitation hospitals. The trust currently owns 12 hospitals and provides mortgage financing for another hospital.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - San Francisco-based PLM International Inc. (AMEX: PLM) today announced a quarterly cash dividend of 19 cents per common share. The dividend is payable Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Oct. 22, 1990.

The cash payment will be the 11th consecutive quarterly payment since PLM International was formed in February, 1988. The company's 1990 annualized cash dividend continues to be 76 cents per common share.

PLM International is an integrated equipment leasing company engaged in the leasing and management of transportation equipment and in operating leases domestically and internationally, and in the syndication of capital equipment leasing investments. The company operates and manages over $1.3 billion of transportation equipment and related assets for its account and various investments and partnerships and third party accounts.

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HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - United-Guardian, Inc. (AMEX: UG) today reported the financial results for its second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990. Revenue for the second quarter was up 38 percent from the first quarter, resulting in an operating profit of $125,126 compared to an operating loss of $112,019 for the first quarter of the year. Net earnings for the 2nd quarter were $72,806, or $.02 per share, compared with a loss of $352,156 (.07 per share) for the first quarter.

Alfred Globus, chairman and chief executive officer of United-Guardian, stated: "The turnaround is due to a number of factors, including the strong sales of Lubrajel, the effect of our cost-cutting measures, additional option payments from companies interested in marketing our products, and price increases instituted in June."

He further stated that he expected that the third and fourth quarters would also be profitable, with the fourth quarter producing significantly greater revenue and operating profit as a result of the anticipated initial sales of Renacidin Irrigation, the company's recently patented new drug for dissolving certain types of kidney stones.

United-Guardian is a manufacturer of pharmaceuticals, health care products, medical devices and cosmetic bases.

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JERICHO, N.Y. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Power Test Investors Limited Partnership today announced its quarterly cash distribution in the amount of 17 cents per unit payable on Dec. 3, 1990 to holders of record on Nov. 1, 1990.

The partnership, which is a publicly traded master limited partnership, is the limited partner in Power Test Realty Company Limited Partnership, which owns gasoline service station properties and distribution terminals leased to Getty Petroleum Corp., one of the nation's largest independent marketers of gasoline and petroleum products.

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#90288p4703 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEVELAND (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Standard Products Co. (NYSE: SPD) today reported results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

For the three months ended Oct. 1, sales were $153,308,000 compared to $151,036,000 in the first quarter a year ago. The company reported a net loss of $1,665,000 or 16 cents per share, compared to a profit of $1,395,000, or 14 cents per share a year ago.

Sales to the company's primary customers, North American manufacturers of cars and light trucks, increased to $94,090,000, a gain of 3 percent. Total North American carbuild rose 4 percent with all of the increase attributable to the Japanese transplants. The first quarter is normally a low volume period because of customer plant shutdowns for vacations and model changeovers.

Standard Products' North American automotive operations showed substantial improvement over last year's quarter, particularly the South Carolina plants which posted significant losses a year ago. Canadian operations have returned to normal following a ten-week strike which was settled in early September. Despite the strike, sales in Canada remained even with last year, supported by participation on the Chevrolet "Lumina" models.

Offsetting the North American automotive gains were high costs for continuing development and start-up at the company's Silent Channel subsidiary in England in preparation for the launch of the new Ford Crown Victoria and Mercury Grand Marquis models in January. Also impacting UK earnings were high operational costs for the start-up of the European Ford "Escort" model.

Sales of Oliver Rubber for the quarter were $27,912,000, a decrease of 12 percent over the fiscal 1990 quarter. Soft market conditions, higher material costs and severe competitive pressure resulted in a decline in first quarter tread rubber earnings.

At the company's Holm Industries subsidiary, sales rose 12 percent but earnings declined as the result of market conditions and the costs of integrating the Plastic/Magnetics Division of Pantasote Inc., which was acquired Sept. 1.

James S. Reid, Jr., Standard Products chairman and chief executive officer, said the period ahead will be difficult because of soft market conditions in all areas of the company's business. In addition, there are heavy start-up costs in England, which are expected to moderate in the third quarter of the fiscal year. He noted that the level of car sales in North America and Europe over the next several months will be a key factor for the company.

Cleveland-based Standard Products manufactures rubber and plastic parts for the automotive original equipment industry, rubberized track for military vehicles, and plastic and magnetic door seals for home appliances. Its Oliver Rubber subsidiary is a major producer of tread rubber for truck tire retreading.

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#90288p4705 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENTOR, OHIO (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Fermenta AB of Stockholm, Sweden and Ishihara Sangyo Kaisha, Ltd. of Osaka, Japan announced today that they have signed a definitive agreement for Ishihara to acquire 100 percent of SDS Enterprises, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Fermenta AB for a total consideration of approximately $300 million.

SDS Enterprises, Inc. has two wholly-owned operating subsidiaries, Fermenta ASC Corporation and Ricerca, Inc. Fermenta ASC develops, manufactures, markets and sells agricultural and specialty chemicals worldwide. Headquartered in Mentor, Ohio, Fermenta ASC sells primarily to agrochemical producers and suppliers in over 70 countries. The primary manufacturing facility is located in Houston.

Ricerca, located in Concord Township, Ohio, provides research and development services on a contract basis to assist its clients in developing new products, improving existing products and in supporting the registration of agrochemical products for regulatory compliance throughout the world.

Ishihara, based in Osaka, is active in the agrochemicals area and also ranks among the world's leading titanium dioxide producers. Through its acquisition of SDS, Ishihara is continuing to expand its international agrochemical operations and worldwide research and development capability. Ishihara has

expressed its commitment to continue to support and grow the current SDS Enterprises worldwide businesses.

The acquisition will be effected through a newly formed wholly-owned Delaware subsidiary of Ishihara. The closing of the transaction is subject to customary closing conditions and regulatory approvals.

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KALAMAZOO, MI (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) today reported that 1990 third-quarter and nine-month sales and earnings from continuing operations increased over year-earlier levels.

During the third quarter, the company reached an agreement to sell its Upjohn HealthCare Services, Inc. (UHCS) business. UHCS results are included in discontinued operations and the results of prior periods have been restated to reflect the operations of the company's continuing businesses separately from discontinued operations. Unless noted otherwise, the following results reflect the company's continuing operations.

Quarterly earnings from continuing operations of $112 million increased 11 percent on sales of $747 million, which rose 13 percent.

Primary earnings per share of 61 cents were 13 percent higher than the 54 cents per share earned in third-quarter 1989.

Earnings from continuing operations for the first nine months increased 12 percent over year-earlier levels on sales of $2.2 billion.

Third-quarter net earnings, including discontinued operations, were $106 million, or 58 cents per share, compared to $96 million, or 52 cents per share in 1989. Nine-month net earnings, including discontinued operations, were $335 million, or $1.81 per share, compared to $294 million, or $1.58 per share in the year-earlier period.

Commenting on the company's results, Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer Theodore Cooper said, "Our third- quarter results reflect our continuing emphasis on sales growth and profitability. The sale of UHCS will allow the company to further focus its resources on its core business activities, accelerate the development of innovative human and animal health care products and enhance margins."

Operating income of $159 million was up 8 percent from the third quarter of 1989 and amounted to 21 percent of sales, compared to $148 million, or 22 percent of sales, a year ago. Cost of products sold increased to 27 percent

of sales, compared to 26 percent of sales, a year ago. Marketing and administrative costs increased to 38 percent of sales compared to 37 percent in 1989. As a percent of sales, research and development expense declined.

The growth in sales for the quarter exceeded that of operating income because of a temporary shift in product mix resulting primarily from increased agronomic seed sales and the costs associated with expansion of the U.S. sales force and product introductions in Europe.

The Upjohn Company is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care products, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

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WILMINGTON, DEL. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) will sponsor a trade fair here Nov. 7 that will bring together minority vendors specializing in information technology products and services with representatives of major manufacturing and services industries, government and the educational system.

Hyland McCarthy, manager of the minority vendor program for DuPont, said about 100 majority and minority organizations, most with headquarters or major operations in the lower Delaware Valley, have agreed to take part in the show, called InfoTech '90.

The trade fair, to be held at The Du Pont Country Club, is one of the largest of its kind in the country. Minority vendors will be given booth space to set up marketing displays and to meet with purchasing representatives from mainstream companies, all elements of the educational system, and government.

McCarthy said, "The growing pressures apparent throughout the U.S. economy are being felt most acutely in the minority business community. At the same time, it is clear that one major reason for lack of stronger economic activity among minority firms is a lack of contacts with those in the mainstream of business who are genuinely interested in doing more business with them. This trade show is designed to develop those business connections."

"For the past year Du Pont has been sponsoring trade fairs such as this one at our plants around the country," McCarthy added. "As a result, we are doing several million dollars more in business with minority firms. We chose to focus on firms specializing in information technologies for the Wilmington show for two reasons: Successful, higher-technology minority firms can have a very strong impact in the minority community because of the salaries paid and the purchases they can make from other minority vendors. And, secondly,

DuPont wants to do more business with minority firms because we have found them to be among the most responsive and innovative of our suppliers."

Purchasing representatives from each of Du Pont's functional units will attend the show.

Du Pont, which has had a formal minority vendor program since 1973, said it expects to purchase $200 million in goods and services from minority firms throughout the country this year.

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BOISE, ID (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Boise Cascade Corp. (NYSE: BCC) today reported a significant decline in net income for the third quarter of 1990, compared with results for the same period a year ago.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $13.9 million, compared with $62.8 million for the same quarter in 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share were 27 cents in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $1.30 for the same quarter a year ago. Sales for both the third quarter of 1990 and the third quarter of 1989 were $1.1 billion.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $70.5 million, or $1.52 per share, compared with net income of $216.3 million, or $4.60 per share, for the first nine months of 1989. Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $3.2 billion, compared with $3.3 billion for the same period in 1989.

John B. Fery, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said the decline in third-quarter income resulted from a drop in operating income for all three of the company's business segments. The decline in income reflects lower prices for the company's paper and wood products, operating disruptions and costs associated with capital investment projects at two of the company's pulp and paper mills, and the effects of a slowing U.S. economy. Increased interest expense and depreciation resulting from the company's record capital investment program also contributed to the decline.

Operating income for the company's paper and paper products segment declined markedly, compared with that of the same period of 1989. The decline was due primarily to lower prices for uncoated white papers, market pulp, and linerboard. Also contributing substantially to the decline were capital investment-related operating difficulties at the company's mill in Rumford, particularly in connection with a pulp mill modernization and expansion project, and costs associated with preparations for the start-up of a new world-class paper machine in International Falls, Minnesota. Operating income in the third quarter declined moderately from that of the second quarter of

1990, as modestly improved or stabilizing prices for uncoated white papers, newsprint, and coated papers partially compensated for temporary mill operating problems.

Third-quarter operating income for the company's office products segment declined, compared with results in the third quarter of 1989, largely reflecting a drop in sales volume growth from double to single digits at a time when expense levels increased. The slower sales volume growth reflected a weaker overall U.S. economy as well as increased competition on the wholesale side of this business. The combination of these factors resulted in downward movement of prices and pressure on margins. Despite these conditions operating income in the third quarter was above that of the second quarter of 1990.

Operating income for the company's building products segment in the third quarter was down significantly, compared with that of the same quarter a year ago. The decline was largely the result of sharply lower prices for lumber, plywood, particleboard, and wood chips. Prices for wood products declined as a slowing U.S. economy cooled demand. At the same time, delivered-log costs increased, reflecting reductions in the timber available for harvest from public lands in the Pacific Northwest. Operating income in the third quarter was also below that of the second quarter of 1990, again reflecting primarily the continued downward trend in product prices.

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RESTON, VA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Systems Center, Inc. (NYSE: SMX) today announced preliminary revenues of approximately $27.5 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, up 68 percent from $16.4 million for the same period in 1989.

Net income decreased to approximately $500,000 (5 cents per share) compared with $1,803,000 (18 cents per share) for the third quarter last year. Final figures will reflect an additional 5 cents to 7 cents per share attributed to a gain from the divestiture of the company's DB2 relational database software business.

In making the announcement, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Robert E. Cook stated: "Our preliminary third quarter results reflect a marked improvement from the second quarter. We continue to work through the transitional issues surrounding our second quarter acquisitions, and move forward with strategic products for high-growth markets."

Systems Center, Inc., founded in 1981, develops, markets and supports network

and systems software. The company offers over 50 products, including NET/MASTER for network and systems management; Network DataMover for data transfer among multiple operating environments; VMCENTER II for IBM's VM operating system; and AS/CENTER for IBM's AS/400.

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WILSON, NC (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - BB&T Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: BBTF) achieved record earnings for both the nine months and third quarter ended September 30. For the first three quarters, net income increased by 15.8 percent, while earnings per share were up 13.9 percent. Net income for the first nine months of the year totalled $40.8 million, $1.89 per share, compared with $35.2 million, $1.66 per share, in 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share rose to $1.80 from $1.58 last year. On an annualized basis, the return on assets was 1.07 percent, compared with .94 percent in 1989, while the returns on shareholders' equity were 15.4 percent and 14.7 percent, respectively.

For the third quarter, net income was $13.4 million, an 11.5 percent increase over the $12.0 million earned last year. For the quarter, primary net income per share was $.62 and fully diluted earnings per share was $.59, compared with $.56 and $.53, respectively in 1989.

On August 20, 1990, BB&T consummated a merger with Carolina Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FFCA), parent holding company of First Federal of the Carolinas, F.A., of High Point, N.C. On September 1, 1990, BB&T completed its acquisition of First Federal Savings Bank of Pitt County, Greenville, N.C. The mergers were accounted for as poolings-of-interest, and accordingly, all financial data has been restated to include the results of the merged companies.

In releasing the earnings, John A. Allison, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of BB&T, said, "We are experiencing the most profitable year in our history in what have been difficult times for many. We have been successful in improving net interest margins, growing noninterest revenues, and controlling expenses. Earnings which were excellent would have been even better except for nonrecurring expenses of approximately $1 million related to the thrift acquisitions.

At the end of September, BB&T had total assets of $5.37 billion, total loans of $3.47 billion and total deposits of $4.21 billion. Through its subsidiaries in North and South Carolina, BB&T operates 200 offices in 110 cities. BB&T Financial Corporation common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System and is listed under the symbol BBTF.

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FINDLAY, OHIO (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Cooper Tire & Rubber Company (NYSE: CTB) reported that steady product demand coupled with efficient manufacturing operations and cost controls resulted in strong sales and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Net income for the quarter amounted to $16.9 million ($0.41 per share) versus $14.9 million ($0.36 per share) for the same period of 1989. Net sales were a record $239.8 million compared with sales of $233.6 million a year earlier.

Net income for the nine months amounted to $47.1 million, equal to $1.14 per share, compared with income of $40.3 million, or $0.98 per share, in the same period of 1989. Sales for the nine months were $683.1 million versus $658.5 million last year.

"The company has a strong fundamental position in our industry," said Ivan W. Gorr, chairman. "Volume in both tire and engineered rubber products remained quite satisfactory during the three-month period.

"We continue to experience a steady demand for our products. Our plants are operating efficiently on good production schedules and costs remain under control allowing us to experience generally favorable operating margins.

"The Mideast crisis presents a number of uncertainties for our national economy and the world economy. However, there has been ample fuel supply and we have not seen any change in consumer driving patterns. We expect our operations to continue at sound levels in the fourth quarter and in 1991 barring any serious interruption of automobile usage in the United States."

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FT. WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Sunbelt Nursery Group, Inc. (AMEX: SBN) today announced that a lawsuit has been filed in Delaware Chancery Court against the company, its directors, Intermark, Inc. and Pier 1 Imports, Inc. to block the cash tender offer recently commenced by a subsidiary of Pier 1 to acquire all of the outstanding Common Stock of the company not already owned by the subsidiary.

The complaint alleges, among other things, that the $12.00 per share tender

offer price is substantially below the fair value of the company and that the tender offer is part of a plan designed to benefit Intermark and Pier 1 through the acquisition of the company at the lowest possible price at the expense of the minority stockholders. The complaint seeks, among other things, preliminary and permanent injunctions against proceeding with or closing the tender offer, compensatory and rescissory damages and costs of the action.

The company and the defendant directors believe that the lawsuit is without merit and they intend to defend it vigorously.

Sunbelt Nursery Group, Inc. is the dominant nursery enterprise in six of the 11 largest lawn and garden markets in the United States, with 96 stores that feature nursery stock and lawn and garden supplies. The company's common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "SBN."

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today announced separate agreements with six mortgage banking companies to provide a total of $14.1 billion in funding for single-family home mortgages in all parts of the United States.

The agreements will provide financing for approximately 170,000 home mortgages based on the $83,000 average size of the mortgage loans Fannie Mae financed in 1989.

The largest single agreement is with Citicorp Mortgage (NYSE: CCI), St. Louis, which will originate $5 billion dollars of mortgages throughout the United States that will be sold to Fannie Mae for cash or exchanged for Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS) issued by Fannie Mae.

Fannie Mae also will provide funding for $4 billion in mortgages originated nationwide by Norwest Mortgage, Inc., Des Moines, Iowa. This is the corporation's second multi-billion dollar agreement with Fannie Mae this year; in February, Fannie Mae agreed to invest in $2 billion in loans originated by Norwest.

Citicorp, through the offices of Citicorp Mortgage, Citibank, and Citibank, FSB, is the largest residential mortgage lender and servicer in the country. Citicorp Mortgage services nearly 700,000 loans valued at $64 billion.

Norwest Mortgage, Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Norwest Corporation (NYSE: NOB), Minneapolis, a $26.7 billion diversified financial services

organization providing investments, insurance and banking through more than 1,270 offices in 47 states and internationally. Norwest Mortgage currently has more than 250 locations in 41 states.

Fireman's Fund Mortgage Corporation is one of the nation's largest mortgage bankers. The company services a $35.1 billion portfolio with 568,000 mortgage loans and originates home loans nationwide.

NCNB Mortgage is an affiliate of NCNB Corporation (NYSE: NCB), Charlotte, N.C. the seventh largest bank holding company in the country, with $63.7 billion in assets and more than 900 branches in seven states.

The Huntington Mortgage Company, a subsidiary of Huntington Bankshares Incorporated (NASDAQ-NMS: HBAN), an $11.7 billion regional bank holding company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, has 21 branches in 11 states. The Huntington Mortgage currently services $4.6 billion in residential loans.

Dominion Bankshares Mortgage Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dominion Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: DMBK), has offices in Virginia, Maryland, Tennessee and Washington, and originates residential mortgages throughout the Atlantic seaboard.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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DEARBORN, MI (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) today reported the following sales figures:

	1990	1989	Pct. Change	Memo: Selling Days 1990	1989
Total Vehicles					
Oct. 1-10	83,680	95,182	-21.9	9	8
Jan. 1-Oct. 10	2,707,798	2,979,436	- 9.5	239	238
Total Cars Oct. 1-10	50,731	59,172	-23.8		
Jan. 1-Oct. 10	1,562,225	1,803,291	-13.7		
Imported Cars					
Oct. 1-10	1,541	1,817	-24.7		
Jan. 1-Oct. 10	51,837	64,119	-19.3		
Total Trucks					
Oct. 1-10	32,949	36,010	-18.7		
Jan. 1-Oct. 10	1,145,573	1,176,145	- 3.0		
Light Trucks					

Oct. 1-10	32,052	34,392	-17.2
Jan. 1-Oct. 10	1,108,483	1,129,647	- 2.3

Note: Percentage changes are based on daily selling rates.

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX) views the planned Superconducting Super Collider (SSC) as a top technological opportunity, it was announced today.

The SSC, scheduled for operation near Waxahachie, Texas, at a cost of about $8 billion, will be the world's largest and most powerful particle accelerator. Westinghouse is competing for a Superconducting Super Collider Laboratories (SSCL) contract to produce superconducting dipole magnets for the SSC.

"The SSC magnet program complements Westinghouse's continuing superconductivity research and development and our design and production work in complex, large-scale superconducting electrical equipment," said Bruce Boswell, general manager of the corporation's collider dipole magnet division.

Westinghouse has been a leader in superconductivity since 1952 and has built more types of superconducting magnets than any other U.S. corporation. In 1962 the corporation commercialized the niobium and titanium alloy wire required for the SSC magnet coils.

SSCL administers the SSC for the U.S. Department of Energy. It is expected to select "leader" and "follower" dipole magnet manufacturers soon. The goal is to develop two manufacturers with full capability to produce the magnets. SSCL will then conduct a competition between the two firms to manufacture and test 8,150 16.5-ton magnets at a rate of 10 per day.

Boswell, who has 15 years of senior Westinghouse management experience in first-of-a-kind high technology projects, recruited specialists and experts from throughout Westinghouse for its collider dipole magnet division management team. To cover every important experience base, he drew top personnel from the corporation's Power Generation, Energy Systems and Government Operations Business units.

Initial magnet design and manufacturing planning is already underway at the corporation's Science and Technology Center and Productivity and Quality Center, both near Pittsburgh. Senior managers and technical specialists from each center make up the division's design and manufacturing team.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Shareholders of The Standard Products Company (NYSE: SPD), at their annual meeting today, re-elected four members of the company's board of directors.

Elected to new three-year terms were John D. Drinko, Baker & Hostetler; Theo Moll, director and retired chairman of MTD Products, Inc.; Malcolm R. Myers, chairman and president of Cloyes Gear & Products, Inc.; and Robert B. Stevens, Standard Products president and chief operating officer.

Cleveland-based Standard Products manufactures rubber and plastic parts for the automotive original equipment industry, rubberized track for military vehicles, and plastic and magnetic door seals for home appliances. Its Oliver Rubber subsidiary is a major producer and marketer of truck tire retreading.

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DANBURY, CT (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Linde Division of Union Carbide Industrial Gases Inc. (UCIG) today announced that it will implement action to recover increased costs for bulk liquid oxygen, nitrogen, argon, hydrogen and helium products. The recent run-up in oil prices caused by the Mideast crisis has resulted in substantial increases in the cost of serving industrial gas customers. The company noted that diesel fuel costs, for example, have already risen 30 percent.

E. G. Hotard, president of UCIG, stated, "Despite taking actions to alleviate rising costs and attempting to delay the necessity of recovering these costs from our customers, Linde sees no alternative to this action if the long-term interest of our customers are to be met. Linde will continue to do everything possible to focus our customers' needs and to ensure that we bring value to the customer-supplier relationship."

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CHICAGO (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - American National Corp. today reported a net loss of $14.8 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared to net income of $19.4 million for the same period in 1989.

The loss resulted from a $60-million provision for credit losses, up from $1.8 million in the year-ago quarter. This provision was determined following an extensive review of the entire portfolio completed during the quarter and was largely related to deterioration in a number of commercial real estate credits.

Ronald J. Grayheck, president and chief executive officer, said "In view of the weakness in the commercial real estate market and our belief that the economy is not likely to improve in the near term, we concluded that the unusually large provision was appropriate."

Non-performing assets as of Sept. 30, 1990 were $161.7 million, compared to $41.9 million a year ago.

The allowance for possible credit losses, representing 2.6 percent of total loans outstanding, was $107.7 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $41.1 million a year ago.

Average loans outstanding during the third quarter grew 13 percent to $4.2 billion and average deposits grew to $4.3 billion, up 13 percent from the third quarter of 1989. Total assets as of Sept. 30, 1990 were $5.4 billion, an increase of 9 percent from a year ago.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $10 million, compared to $55.7 million a year ago. Return on average assets was 0.25 percent and return on average equity was 4.49 percent, compared to 1.52 percent and 26.83 percent respectively last year.

American National Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of First Chicago Corp. (NYSE: FNB)

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DEERFIELD BEACH, FLA. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - CheckRobot Inc. (NASDAQ: CKRB) announced today that its board of directors had relieved Charles J. Beech of his duties as president and chief executive officer of the company. "The board reluctantly took this action," said Alfred W. Vitale, chairman of the board, "based upon its belief that a change in leadership at this time would be in the best interest of the company."

The executive committee of the board of directors will assume the functions of the chief executive officer of the company until a successor to Beech is hired. The company will begin a search for a successor immediately. Scott Sloan, vice president, will continue to be responsible for marketing, sales and customer relations, while Richard Honerkamp will continue as chief

financial officer.

Separately, CheckRobot also announced its financial results for its fiscal year ended May 31, 1990. The company reported a net operating loss for the year of $6,148,300, as compared to a net operating loss of $4,112,400 for the previous fiscal year. The adjusted net loss after preferred stock dividends was $6,575,500 ($0.87 per common share) for fiscal 1990 as compared to $4,579,200 ($0.75 per common share) for fiscal year 1989. Revenues for fiscal 1990 were $2,060,000, substantially exceeding the $1,165,600 in revenues during fiscal 1989. Honerkamp stated that the increased loss was due primarily to increased selling and customer service expenses, due to expanded marketing efforts, as well as increased general and administrative expense and increased research and development costs incurred in implementing manufacturing cost reductions. "The company instituted a cost-cutting program in August 1990, however," he continued, "that has reduced expenses substantially."

CheckRobot develops and markets ACM(R) automated checkout machines. The systems are designed to improve customer service and profitability for the supermarket industry. Using enhanced laser bar code scanners and a proprietary merchandise security system, the ACM allows shoppers to quickly scan and check out merchandise before paying centrally located cashiers.

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WINONA, MINN. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Fastenal Company of Winona, Minn. (NASDAQ: FAST) reported the results of the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the period totaled $13,861,000, a 24 percent increase over the third quarter, 1989, sales of $11,176,000. Net earnings rose from $1,339,000 in the third quarter of 1989 to $1,687,000 in the third quarter of 1990, a gain of 26 percent. Earnings per share increased from $.14 to $.18 for the comparable period.

During the quarter, Fastenal opened nine new stores, bringing the total number of open stores to 120.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has fined Southern Mills Inc. of Union City, Ga., $25,000 for the 1989

unauthorized filling of approximately 25 acres of forested wetlands and along a one-mile stretch of Spring Creek in Upson County, Ga.

In addition to the fine, Southern Mills Inc. was required to restore the filled area to its original condition.

The $25,000 penalty is one of the first to be assessed by the EPA southeastern office under a provision of the 1987 Clean Water Act, which grants EPA the authority to assess administrative penalties for violations of the act. Under this authority, EPA can assess administrative penalties of up to $125,000 for the destruction of wetlands. For more serious violations, EPA may refer cases to the U.S. Department of Justice where greater civil penalties and criminal sanctions can be sought.

Wetlands are among the most environmentally beneficial areas in the nation, and include marshes, swamps, bogs and similar areas that have developed between open water and dry land. Wetlands harbor unique soils and plants that provide food and habitat for fish and wildlife, water purification, erosion control, flood control during major storms, and recreation. Although wetland areas exist throughout the Southeast, they rapidly are being destroyed. Each year, 458,000 acres of wetlands are destroyed in the United States. EPA is particularly concerned about the unpermitted filling of bottomland hardwood wetlands in Upson County because of excessive losses due to poor timbering practices, farmland conversion and, most recently, industrial and residential development.

The EPA and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) are working together to implement Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, which requires that a permit be obtained before filling wetland areas. EPA strongly encourages all property owners desiring to excavate or fill wetlands to contact the COE prior to beginning work. The COE office which administers the Section 404 permit program in Georgia is located in Savannah (Regulatory Division, P.O. Box 889, Savannah, GA 31402) and can be contacted at 912-944-5133.

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FREMONT, MI (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Gerber Products Company (NYSE: GEB) today announced a workforce reduction program that includes provisions for volunteers to apply for enhanced severance benefits.

"Gerber Products Company has improved its competitive position during recent years by focusing its business strategies and implementing cost reduction programs," said Curt Mairs, vice president - Human Resources. "The critical demands of the 1990s require that we continually assess our performance against peer companies and take the steps necessary to accelerate our

competitive advantage."

"Toward this objective, the company expects to eliminate approximately 60 salaried positions at our Fremont offices through a combination of voluntary and involuntary separations," Mairs said.

According to Mairs, regular severance benefits are being increased by 25 percent to help minimize the impact of the workforce reductions on affected employees and their families.

All affected employees will remain on the payroll through Dec. 31, 1990. Gerber has engaged consultants to provide career, financial and retirement counseling services for employees and, when appropriate, their spouses. All affected employees will receive group outplacement assistance.

Gerber employs nearly 1,400 workers in the company's Fremont operations.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Norwest Mortgage, Inc., Des Moines, Iowa, and the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today announced an agreement to provide financing for $4 billion of new home mortgages to be originated throughout the United States.

Under the agreement, which provides for mandatory delivery of the mortgages, Norwest Mortgage will originate a wide variety of home mortgages that will be sold to Fannie Mae for cash or exchanged for Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS) issued by Fannie Mae.

This agreement, along with another agreement signed by Norwest Mortgage and Fannie Mae earlier this year for $2 billion, will provide a total of $6 billion in new mortgage financing to communities served by Norwest throughout the United States.

John R. Hayes, senior vice president of Fannie Mae's Midwestern Regional Office located here, said: "This agreement underlines Norwest Mortgage's ongoing commitment to provide affordable mortgage financing to the more than 250 communities it serves nationwide. It is Fannie Mae's second multibillion-dollar agreement with the corporation this year, and we are pleased that Norwest Mortgage has again chosen Fannie Mae as a partner."

Norwest Mortgage President Mark Oman said, "This agreement is further evidence of our commitment to be a major source of home financing nationwide and, in partnership with Fannie Mae, we continue to make America the best-housed

country in the world."

Norwest Mortgage is a wholly owned subsidiary of Norwest Corporation (NYSE: NOB), Minneapolis, a $26.7 billion diversified financial services organization providing investments, insurance, and banking through more than 1,270 offices in 47 states and internationally. Norwest Mortgage currently has more than 250 locations in 41 states.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobay Corporation today announced startup of expanded aliphatic diisocyanate manufacturing capacity in Baytown, Texas. The company's annual production capacity for hexamethylene diisocyanate (HDI) and Desmodur W diisocyanate has been increased by 50 percent to 60 million pounds, it was announced today by R.L. White, senior executive vice president. Mobay is a Bayer U.S.A. company.(A)

The project is estimated to have cost $25 million. "This investment demonstrates our commitment to support the growing demand for Desmodur W and for value-added products based on HDI, such as our family of Desmodur N polyisocyanate resins," White said.

Desmodur W, commonly referred to as hydrogenated MDI, is a diisocyanate used in the manufacture of high-performance, weather-resistant coating resins and elastomers.

HDI-based Desmodur N is used as a crosslinker for durable, light-stable two-component polyurethane coatings. Both products are expected to experience continued growth for such end-use areas as automotive topcoats and heavy-duty maintenance applications.

(A) - Mobay is part of the Bayer U.S.A. group of companies. Bayer U.S.A. is the U.S. management holding company of Bayer AG, Germany, and is a diversified group of companies with businesses in chemicals, healthcare, and imaging systems.

In addition to Mobay, other major Bayer companies in the U.S. include Miles Inc., and Agfa Corporation. Bayer U.S.A. sales in 1989 were $5.4 billion, or more than 20 percent of Bayer's sales worldwide.

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COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Banc One Corporation (NYSE: ONE) announced today that it has reached an agreement to license the BPS-CENTRAL(TM) System from GE Information Services. This EDI mainframe software will be used for payment processing. In addition, Banc One will act as a referral agent for GE's EDI network services and software.

Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) is used for paperless business-to-business information exchange and provides full audit trail. It electronically replaces hard copy documents such as purchase orders, invoices and payment by check.

GE Information Services is a global provider of network-based information services and currently provides EDI services to over 7,500 clients. The flexibility of the GE software will allow Bank One to reformat customer payment instructions and invoice details into any ACH payment format.

Bank One will also be able to combine electronic ACH information with other payments such as lockbox receipts and wire transfers and deliver the information in customer specified formats for payment receipt and remittance reporting.

This will enable Bank One to provide the widest possible range of transaction and reporting options to all business customers in Bank One markets throughout the country.

Bank One will also become a referral agent for GE's EDI-CENTRAL (TM) and EDI-PC(TM) software, and EDI-EXPRESS(SM) Service. This will allow Bank One to make available to its customers a full range of integrated EDI services, software and user support.

Bank One and GE will co-sponsor EDI educational sessions so that current and potential customers can understand how they can use these new EDI capabilities to originate and receive formatted data and/or payments.

Banc One Corporation has assets of $27.9 billion and operates 52 affiliate banking organizations with 747 offices in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Texas, and Wisconsin.

Banc One Corporation also operates several additional affiliates that engage in trust services, mortgage banking, consumer finance, equipment leasing, credit-related life insurance, investment management, data processing, discount brokerage and venture capital activities.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Dominion Bankshares Mortgage Corporation, headquartered in McLean, Va., and the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today announced an agreement to provide financing for $1 billion of single-family home mortgages.

A variety of mortgage products, including 15-year and 30-year fixed-rate loans and 7-year balloon mortgages, will be originated by Dominion Bankshares Mortgage Corporation throughout the Atlantic seaboard. The majority of the mortgages will be exchanged for Fannie Mae Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS); the remainder will be sold to Fannie Mae for cash.

Glenn Austin, senior vice president of Fannie Mae's Southeastern Regional Office located here, said, "We are delighted that Dominion Bankshares Mortgage Corporation will be working with Fannie Mae to increase the supply of affordable mortgage financing available to the communities it serves."

John F. Karaszewski, president of Dominion Bankshares Mortgage Corporation, said, "This agreement reinforces Dominion's commitment to meet the needs of home buyers, including those with low-to-moderate incomes." Karaszewski added: "One billion dollars will move a lot of families into their own homes. We thank Fannie Mae for being our partner in this happy endeavor."

Dominion Bankshares Mortgage Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Dominion Bank, has offices in Virginia, Maryland, Tennessee and Washington, D.C., and originates residential mortgages throughout the Atlantic seaboard.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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MIDLAND, MICH. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Gilbert A. Currie, chairman of Chemical Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CHFC) today announced the company's third-quarter earnings.

Net income increased 15.1 percent to $3,088,000 for the third quarter of 1990, as compared with $2,682,000 for the same period last year. On a per-share basis, net income for the current quarter was $.95, or 14.5 percent over the $.83 per share earned in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income increased 9.1 percent to $8,510,000, or $2.62 per share, compared with $7,801,000, or $2.46 per share, for the comparable 1989 period.

Total assets of Chemical Financial Corporation at Sept. 30, 1990, were $1.267 billion, up 3.5 percent over the $1.224 billion reported one year earlier. Total deposits increased 4.4 percent and total loans increased 8.3 percent over Sept. 30, 1989, levels, reaching $1.106 billion and $575 million, respectively, at the end of the current quarter.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the company's Allowance for Loan Loss Account was $10.4 million, and represented 1.81 percent of total outstanding loans. During the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company provided $789,000 to the Allowance for Loan Losses, while charging $168,000 in net losses against the Allowance during the period. The company has no outstanding loans to lesser developed countries, no leveraged buyout loans, nor does it foresee any significant problems with its commercial real estate loan portfolio

Chemical Financial Corporation is one of the 10 largest bank holding companies in Michigan, and the company's 10 affiliated banks operate 73 "Chemical Bank" offices in 19 counties across the mid-section of Michigan's Lower Peninsula. CFC Data Corp., Midland, is the company's wholly owned data processing subsidiary.

The company's common shares are traded in the over-the-counter market and are quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CHFC.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Royal Oak Resources Ltd. announced today that the closing of its Cdn. $33 million acquisition of the controlling interest in the Pamour Group of Companies from the secured creditors of Giant Resources Limited has been postponed to Oct. 24, 1990.

The debt financing portion of the acquisition price will be provided by the vendors, Westpac Banking Corp. and Bank of New Zealand, instead of the previously announced debt financing by Sharps Pixley Incorporated. Completion of the Cdn. $16 million international equity offering by the company has been rescheduled to this new closing date.

This Cdn. $19,649,120 debt is repayable over two years, with interest at prime plus 1.75 percent. Up to 23 percent of the debt is convertible at the option of the vendors into common shares of Royal Oak.

The company is entitled to prepay the debt at any time without penalty except that a fee is payable if the debt remains outstanding after Oct. 31, 1991. Prior to this date, the company intends to obtain a long term gold-based financing facility for repayment of the above debt and for project related

purposes.

CONTACT: Steve Manz of Royal Oak Resources, (604) 682-8320.

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HIGH POINT, NC (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Ladd Furniture, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: LADF) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.07 per share on the corporation's common stock, the same amount as in the previous quarter. The dividend is payable November 15, 1990 to stockholders of record November 1.

Headquartered in High Point, N.C., Ladd is one of the largest U.S. manufacturers of residential furniture, marketing its broad range of wood, upholstered and metal furniture to both residential and contract customers under the major brand names American Drew, American of Martinsville, Barclay, Brown Jordan, Clayton-Marcus, Daystrom, Design Horizons, Lea Industries and Pennsylvania House.

Ladd also owns and operates Lea Lumber & Plywood Co. and Ladd Transportation, Inc., and its stock is traded on the over-the-counter National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol LADF.

CONTACT: John J. Ong of Ladd Furniture, Inc., (919) 889-0333.

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SAN ANTONIO, TX (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Valero Energy Corporation (NYSE: VLO) today reported third quarter 1990 net income of $31.8 million ($.76 per common share), the highest net income ever achieved by the company in a quarter, except for the 1987 first quarter which included the gain from the formation of Valero Natural Gas Partners, L.P. Third quarter 1989 net income was $4.4 million, or $.07 per common share, assuming full dilution.

For the first nine months of 1990, Valero's net income was $61.4 million, or $1.51 per common share, compared to net income of $34.3 million, or $.80 per common share, assuming full dilution, for the first nine months of 1989.

Valero's refining and marketing segment reported record operating income for the third quarter 1990 of $51.1 million, 48 percent higher than the previous record amount reported for the 1990 second quarter. The third quarter throughput margin was more than double that of last year's third quarter primarily due to a wider margin between the price of crude oil and the price of high-sulfur atmospheric residual oil which serves as the main feedstock for Valero's refinery.

The net income contribution from Valero's equity interest in Valero Natural Gas Partners, L.P. was $7.4 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared to $2.2 million reported for the same period last year. Through subsidiaries, Valero is general partner of and has an approximate 49 percent interest in the partnership.

The increase in the partnership's net income contribution was attributable to increased operating income from natural gas liquids (NGLs) somewhat offset by a decline in operating income from pipeline operations. The partnership's NGL operations benefited significantly from substantially higher NGL margins and increased ethane production. NGL margins are determined by the spread between NGL prices and the cost of natural gas from which the liquids are extracted. NGLs compete as petrochemical feedstocks with certain refined products which have increased dramatically in price due to the Middle East crisis. At the same time, natural gas prices have declined from last year's third quarter.

Spot natural gas sales margins have remained soft throughout most of 1990 due to low gas demand. Weak demand also negatively impacted the partnership's third quarter transportation volumes which also were affected by decreased gas production from some producers which have shut in gas reserves until the price increases. The partnership's transportation fees for the 1990 third quarter were higher than those for last year's third quarter due primarily to the expiration of some discounted fee arrangements included in certain take-or-pay settlements. Natural gas prices have strengthened in October and should continue to be firm as winter approaches and demand increases.

Valero Energy is involved primarily in refining high-sulfur atmospheric residual oil into premium products, such as unleaded gasoline, through its specialized refinery in Corpus Christi, Texas and in the marketing of those products. Valero Natural Gas Partners, L.P. owns a 7,100-mile network of natural gas transmission and gathering lines throughout Texas, purchases and sells natural gas throughout the U.S., provides third party gas transportation services, and owns 10 natural gas processing facilities.

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TAMPA, FL (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - At their meeting today, the directors of TECO Energy, Inc. (NYSE: TE) declared a quarterly dividend of 40 1/2 cents per share on common stock. The dividend is payable Nov. 15 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 1.

TECO Energy is a diversified, energy-related holding company headquartered in Tampa. Its principal companies include Tampa Electric, TECO Transport & Trade TECO Coal, TECO Coalbed Methane, TECO Properties and TECO Power Services.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The First Australia Prime Income Fund, Inc. (AMEX: FAX), a closed-end bond fund, today declared a regular monthly dividend of 9 cents per share, payable on Nov. 16, 1990, to all shareholders of record on Nov. 5, 1990.

This dividend is consistent with the policy adopted by the fund's board of directors on Oct. 24, 1988, of declaring a regular monthly dividend of 9 cents per share, which commenced in February 1989. Qualifying U.S. taxpayers are additionally entitled to a foreign withholding tax credit on this dividend, and will be informed as to the amount at a later date.

At the time of its offering in April 1986, The First Australia Prime Income Fund was the largest-ever initial public offering on the American Stock Exchange. The fund has net assets in excess of $1 billion. The fund's policy is to invest at least 65 percent of its portfolio in Australian issuers or debt securities rated 'AA' or better. The First Australia Prime Income Fund trades on the American Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange. The fund is advised by EquitiLink Australia Limited, the largest independent mutual fund manager in Australia. Devoting itself only to the business of fund management, the EquitiLink Group manages more than $1.6 billion on behalf of more than 240,000 investors worldwide.

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WESTMONT, IL (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Mervyn C. Phillips, chairman of the board of Growth Holding Co. (OTC), announced today that the Chicago-based company has completed the sale of 53.8 percent of the common stock of Zantek, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary, to BBM Group, a minority investment group.

Zantek is engaged in the formulation and manufacturing of food stabilizers, extenders and seasonings which it markets to food manufacturing companies. BBM Group will purchase 107,600 shares of Zantek's outstanding common shares of 200,000 shares.

The principals in BBM Group have substantial experience in various successful businesses. Carl E. Banyard currently serves as a management consultant to small businesses in Chicago and Rockford. Banyard graduated from Yale

University and Harvard Business School. Over his career he has had operating responsibility for several manufacturing companies.

William G. Mays is president of Mays Chemical Co., a chemical distribution company based in Indianapolis. Mays is a graduate of Indiana University where he majored in chemistry. He later received his M.B.A. from Indiana University. He was formerly employed by Procter & Gamble and Cummins Engine Co.

Frank B. Brooks is president and CEO of Brooks Sausage Co. and has been an economic advisor with numerous organizations. Brooks received his B.S. in finance from Northwestern University and M.B.A. from the Keller School of Business and has received recognition for numerous civic achievements.

As a minority-controlled enterprise, Phillips indicated that BBM and Growth Holding see many new opportunities for Zantek sales growth, and the management expertise and capital brought to Zantek by BBM Group should increase profitability as well. Banyard expects to act as the full-time president and CEO of Zantek. Henry Robinson will as executive vice president of Zantek assume the responsibility for operations, research and development.

Growth Holding Co. trades over-the-counter and is listed in the Pink Sheets. Hayne, Miler & Farni of Minneapolis presently makes a market in the stock.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Courier Dispatch Group Inc. (NASDAQ: CDGI) today reported results for the first fiscal quarter which ended Sept. 30.

Operating revenues increased 5 percent to $13 million compared to $12.5 million a year ago. Net income for the quarter was $166,000, or $.07 per share vs. $101,000, or $.04 per share the same quarter last year.

Paul R. Dean, president and chief executive officer, said in making the announcement, "Each of our operating units contributed to the improved income with particular progress having been made in the Minnesota and New England operations." Dean went on to say, "Acquisitions made in the fourth quarter positively impacted the company's first quarter results."

Courier Dispatch Group Inc. is a full-service courier organization providing both scheduled and on-call ground and air courier services for transporting time-sensitive documents of its customers. The company conducts air courier services to approximately 65 cities, while operating ground courier facilities in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Hampshire, North Carolina, North and South Dakota, and Rhode Island.

COURIER DISPATCH GROUP INC.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

3 months ended	9/30/90	9/30/89
Operating revenues	$13,041,552	$12,467,419
Earnings before income taxes	331,986	202,073
Income taxes	165,500	101,000
Net earnings	166,486	101,073
Earnings per share	$.07	$.04
Wtd. avg. shares outstanding	2,507,937	2,600,500

CONTACT: Paul R. Dean, president and chief executive officer of Courier Dispatch Group, 404-955-8646, or Janice J. Kuntz of Cameron Towey & Associates 404-392-4239, for Courier Dispatch Group

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NEW YORK CITY (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Edward S. Gordon Company today announced it has brokered the largest deal for office space in downtown Manhattan so far this year for the city of New York.

Merrill L. Roth, managing director at Edward S. Gordon, identified the site and brokered a 15-year plus six month lease for 288,000 square feet of space for the city of New York at 17 Battery Place and 17 Battery Place North.

The aggregate value of the deal is $86.4 million with rent per square foot beginning at $17.50 per square foot escalating to $23 over the term of the lease. Included in the deal for the city is six months of free rent and the full cost of architectural services and new tenant installation.

Under the lease, the New York City department of personnel will consolidate their operation, currently located at four over-utilized locations, on the 10th through 22nd floors along with part of the ground floor and part of the basement of 17 Battery Place North.

They will also take part of the third floor at 17 Battery Place for a total of 250,000 square feet. The city's Department of Housing Preservation and Development will occupy the remaining 38,000 square feet on the entire fourth floor of 17 Battery Place.

Edward S. Gordon Company, Inc., provides real estate leasing, consulting, and management services to owners and tenants, public and private companies, and buyers and sellers nationwide. The New York-based firm is among the five largest full-service real estate companies in the country.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Airbus Industrie of North America, Inc. (AINA) and Airbus Service Company (ASCO) broke ground today at a site north of Dulles International Airport in a major expansion of the European aircraft manufacturer's presence in North America.

At a ceremony at noon today, Joe Featherston, president and chief executive officer of ASCO said, "In the past seven years Airbus Industrie's U.S. and Canada customer base has grown from one airline operating 34 Airbus Industrie airplanes to 13 carriers and leasing companies with more than 500 aircraft in operation or on order."

Airbus Industrie is forecasting a need for 12,500 new aircraft over the next 18 years. "With North America accounting for almost half the world market, we are anticipating substantial growth, and our support facilities must grow to meet that demand," Featherston said.

Today's ceremony launched construction of a 55,000 square foot aircraft spare parts and distribution center. It will house the company's product support subsidiary, Airbus Service Company. ASCO provides parts and technical support to airline customers in the U.S. and Canada.

The complex, to be completed in the spring of next year, will employee about 50 people and stock about $125 million in parts. With an additional 40,000 square foot expansion available, the facility will provide 2.16 million cubic feet of space.

AINA, a subsidiary of the European aircraft manufacturer, may also construct a new headquarters facility at the site. AINA moved from New York City in 1987 to Herndon, Va., where it currently employs 100 people.

Airbus Industrie, the world's second largest commercial aircraft producer, builds a family of airliners ranging in size from 150 to 335 seats. More than 1,600 have been ordered by 100 customers. The aircraft company has recorded 328 sales this year.

Airbus Industrie is a four-company, four-nation consortium of Europe's leading aerospace companies. Partners in the consortium are Aerospatiale of France, Deutsche Airbus of Germany, British Aerospace of Great Britain and CASA of Spain.

North American customers include American Airlines, America West Airlines, Continental, Eastern, Northwest, Pan Am, TWA, Air Canada, Canadian International and leasing companies GATX AIR, International Lease Finance Corp. and Polaris Aircraft Leasing.

The Loudoun acquisition was made through Airbus Industrie of North America-Holdings.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM (NYSE: IBM) today announced a development and license agreement with Digitalk, Inc., developers of the Smalltalk/V line of object-oriented programming environments.

IBM has licensed Digitalk's Operating System/2 (OS/2) implementation of Smalltalk/V and future Digitalk offerings for prototyping and product development.

In addition, IBM and Digitalk will enhance Digitalk's products to meet evolving customer requirements for application development that complies with Systems Application Architecture (SAA), IBM's strategic platform for common features and functions across different hardware platforms.

"This agreement with Digitalk allows IBM to accelerate its use of object-oriented programming technology," said Earl F. Wheeler, IBM senior vice president and general manager, programming systems.

"Smalltalk/V provides a solid foundation for developing Common User Access (CUA)-compliant applications in SAA cooperative processing environments. Our work with Digitalk is one step in IBM's commitment to using object-oriented programming in our products and platforms," Wheeler said.

James C. Anderson, president of Digitalk, said, "We are delighted that IBM is using Smalltalk/V in product development. Digitalk will be working closely with IBM on enhancements to Smalltalk/V, including a set of visual programming tools, increased AD/Cycle integration, and SAA compliance. The resulting products will allow our customers to deliver applications more effectively than ever before."

Smalltalk is an object-oriented programming language and development environment that developed for IBM Personal Computers. Digitalk currently markets Smalltalk/V development environments worldwide for DOS, OS/2 and the Apple Macintosh, with a Microsoft Windows 3.0 version planned.

Note: Smalltalk/V is a registered trademark of Digitalk, Inc. Operating System/2, OS/2, Systems Application Architecture, SAA and AD/Cycle are trademarks or registered trademarks of International Business Machines Corporation.

Macintosh is a registered trademark of Apple Computer, Inc. Microsoft and Microsoft Windows are trademarks of Microsoft Corporation.

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DEARBORN, MI (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Future growth in transportation electronics will be significant, but only in areas where electronics enhances value in the eyes of the ultimate customer, according to Jeffrey L. Bauman, general manager of Automotive Electronics for Rockwell International Corp.'s Automotive Operations based in Troy, Mich.

"No longer are vehicle and component manufacturers looking at electronics just for the sake of having the latest technology," he said at the Rockwell exhibit at Convergence '90, the International Congress & Exposition on Transportation Electronics held here.

"Today, the industry is focusing on those key areas where electronics provides value from the end-user's perspective - where they can reduce operating costs, increase safety or convenience, and enhance reliability, for example," he said. These market forces, according to Bauman, are the driving forces behind the development efforts of Rockwell's Automotive Electronics group.

Parlaying the electronics experience gained through its worldwide industrial automation, avionics, telecommunications, defense, on-board computer management systems and satellite communications businesses, Rockwell provides a broad-based, coordinated and diverse electronics portfolio to the automotive trucking and transit industries.

"We've demonstrated our ability around the globe to produce reliable, cost-effective electronics - from integrated circuits to inertial navigation systems - but the real age of electronics is before us: implementing these and other technologies in passenger cars and commercial vehicles."

He stressed that great application potential lies in the heavy-duty trucking industry, where Rockwell is a major force - supplying some $1 billion in axles brakes, drivelines, clutches, transmissions, Tripmaster, on-board computers, and Rockwell WABCO anti-lock brakes to original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) and truck operators each year.

Rockwell Automotive also produces over five million motors annually for automotive electric windows, as well as plastic body panels for numerous car and truck makers around the world, providing a solid foundation for future vehicle electronics integration.

"Real-time satellite communications and vehicle location determination are topical today. Though many consider these to be 'new' technology, Rockwell has already generated over a billion sales dollars in the Global Positioning System (GPS) arena and has announced plans to provide a Mobile Communication Satellite System for North American truck operators," Bauman said.

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BEDFORD, MASS. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Atex Color Imaging Systems, a unit of Atex Publishing Systems, the leading supplier of computer- aided publishing systems with installations in more than 750 newspapers worldwide, today announced the release of ColorPort, an Apple Macintosh utility program for professional color publishing users.

Announcement was made at the European trade show IFRA Expo '90 being held in Barcelona this week.

"ColorPort is designed to allow the interchange of color data between many popular desktop color applications or low-cost imaging workstation products and high-end color systems available from companies like Scitex," said Gary Moore, vice president of Atex Color Imaging Systems.

Creating Interfaces to Proprietary Environments Benefits Industry Commenting on the announcement of ColorPort, Bob Caspe, president of Leaf Systems, Natick Mass., said, "This further capability to open up interfaces to previously proprietary environments can only benefit the industry and, in our case, speed the acceptance of a new generation of picture desk products."

ColorPort is a versatile product that accepts industry standard TIFF format color images created in applications like Quark Xpress or Letraset ColorStudio and route them to a Scitex system after translation. ColorPort also accepts encapsulated PostScript files from applications like Aldus Freehand or Adobe Illustrator 88 and converts them into the appropriate line art format.

The new Atex utility operates in an on-line environment and is capable of extremely fast conversions and data transfers. Said Moore, "Users have previously had to make equipment and software investments of more than $100,000 to achieve anything approaching these capabilities. We can now bring them a demonstrably superior solution at half the cost. "We believe that this product is another giant step forward toward integrating the capabilities of the rapidly evolving color desktop packages with industrial-strength color systems," Moore added.

Moore noted that photo editors today are experimenting with the many new

applications in the marketplace in order to electronically manipulate photos before passing them off to production for final pagination.

"This gives the editor maximum control over photo quality and content while exploiting the flexibility available from desktop image processing programs," Moore said. "Furthermore, it brings closer the opportunity for fully digital management, retrieval, and storage of news photos, whether produced locally or originated by wire services." A problem, Moore pointed out, has been, "How do you deliver these desktop-enhanced photos into high-end production systems inexpensively? The answer is ColorPort, which provides an independent, inexpensive, direct link into such systems," Moore said.

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CHINO, Calif. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - American Confectionery Corp. (NASDAQ: CNDY) (ACC) headquartered here, today announced that, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, the company had net revenues of $19,879,648 from continuing operations, a 22 percent gain on the $16,228,323 recorded in fiscal 1989.

However, due primarily to several non-recurring factors, the company sustained a net loss in fiscal 1990 of $4,030,517, or $.77 per share. This compares with a net profit of $958,128, or $.21 per share, for the previous year.

According to American Confectionery Corp. President Steve Kircher, the company's 1990 performance was adversely affected by $1 million in compensation granted in the form of warrants and options to certain individuals acting as guarantors for letters of credit; $630,000 from manufacturing inefficiencies related to a major consolidation of operations; $1 million in selling, general and administrative expenses associated with the acquisition, operation and recently announced divestiture of the company's retail divisions; and a $1.4 million loss from these discontinued operations.

Kircher said he believed his company had now entered a period wherein a concerted focus on manufacturing and distribution, both to the divested retail stores and through mass merchandisers, of the company's sugar-free gourmet chocolate and Pacific Nut product lines, would yield "an impressive turnaround" over ACC's performance in 1990.

American Confectionery is a manufacturer and distributor of gourmet treats, including nuts, candies and chocolates.

CONTACT: Steve Kircher, president of American Confectionery, 916-635-3131; Jimmy Caplan of Market Makers, 805-569-6919 for American Confectionery; Rick Eisenberg of Eisenberg Communications, 212-496-6828, for American Confectionery

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BARCELONA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Atex Publishing Systems, the leading supplier of computer-aided publishing systems with installations in more than 1,000 newspapers and magazines worldwide, today announced it has signed a letter of intent to market Neasi-Weber International's ADMARC advertising management and accounts receivable system outside of the United States and Canada.

Announcement was made at the European trade show IFRA Expo '90 being held in Barcelona this week.

"The addition of ADMARC extends Atex's international advertising product portfolio to include the premier billing, accounts receivable, and MIS package available today," said Harland K. LaVigne, president, Worldwide Distribution.

"Under this agreement, Atex would act strictly as the sales agent for ADMARC in the international marketplace, except for North America," he added.

"We see this as a prime opportunity, not only for Neasi-Weber and Atex, but for the potential customer, as well, who will benefit significantly from the integration of advertising management and advertising production systems," said Dennis Neasi, chief executive officer of Neasi-Weber International.

ADMARC is a user-defined and fully integrated business management information system that links each step in the ad-publishing cycle, from order entry to accounts receivable. ADMARC handles all aspects of ad processing, from reserving advertising space, pricing the ads, and billing them correctly, to reporting on the information for business and marketing analysis.

Installed at more than 65 worldwide publishing operations --- including, in the United States, eight of the top 10 daily newspapers, 25 of the top 50 metropolitan dailies, and one-third of the top 100 magazines --- ADMARC operates in the IBM 370 and AS/400, as well as the DEC MicroVAX and VAX, and Unisys environments.

"Atex initially will be targeting English-speaking areas in its sales effort," LaVigne said. Those areas will include the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, and English publications of the Pacific Rim.

Neasi-Weber will provide pre- and post-sales support, manufacturing and shipping, installation, and training.

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ANN ARBOR, MICH. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - MEDSTAT Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: MDST) today announced a plan to purchase up to a maximum of 50,000 shares of the company's common stock. Purchases will be made from time to time in the open market subject to the requirements of applicable laws. The company said this action reflects its belief that the stock is undervalued when measured with the company's progress. The stock closed Friday at $9.25 a share. There are currently about 2.7 million shares outstanding.

MEDSTAT Systems, Inc. is a healthcare information company serving corporations insurance, healthcare and consulting organizations with specialized databases software and consulting services for controlling medical costs and measuring healthcare markets.

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DALLAS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB Mortgage Corporation (NYSE: NCB), Dallas, and Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today announced an agreement to provide financing for $1.5 billion of home mortgages.

The transaction is the largest ever done by Fannie Mae with a Texas-based lender.

A variety of mortgage products, including 15-year and 30-year fixed-rate loans and 7-year balloon mortgages, will be originated by NCNB Mortgage in Florida, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, and Virginia. The company also will target a portion of the financing to low- and moderate-income buyers in those states under Fannie Mae's Community Home Buyer's Program (CHBP).

CHBP includes comprehensive buyer education and more flexible qualifications that make it easier for lower-income families to qualify for a home mortgage.

Judy Dedmon, senior vice president of Fannie Mae's Southwestern Regional Office located here, said: "This agreement demonstrates the commitment of NCNB Mortgage to provide affordable mortgage financing to the communities it serves. We are pleased they have chosen Fannie Mae as a partner."

Warren O. Dinkins, NCNB Mortgage's senior vice president, secondary marketing, said: "We at NCNB Mortgage recognized an opportunity to lock in for our mortgage customers flexibilities and advantages available today, but likely to tighten in the near future. We are proud to combine our strength as a

leading producer of residential mortgages in our six-state, retail lending territory with Fannie Mae's stability and leadership as a guarantor in the mortgage-backed securities market."

The majority of the mortgages originated under the agreement, which provides for mandatory delivery of the loans, will be exchanged for Mortgage-Backed Securities issued by Fannie Mae; the remainder will be sold to Fannie Mae for cash.

NCNB Mortgage Corporation is an affiliate of NCNB Corporation, Charlotte, N.C. the seventh largest bank holding company in the country, with $63.7 billion in assets and more than 900 branches in seven states.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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SAN JOSE, Calif. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Mentor Graphics Corp. (NASDAQ: MENT) today announced that the U.S. Navy placed a $1.2 million order for Board Station(R) printed-circuit design systems and AutoTherm(TM) thermal analysis software. The tools will be used to update existing systems, and to support contract Navy programs managed at the Naval Avionics Center in Indianapolis.

"The Navy's technical specifications were very challenging to meet," said Russell F. Henke, general manager of Mentor Graphics' PCB Division. "Several vendors, including Intergraph, participated in the evaluation. Mentor Graphics won by providing the highest-performance solutions at the best price."

Board Station is a comprehensive, flexible system for printed-circuit design and analysis. The system includes an integrated set of applications from schematic capture through placement, routing and thermal analysis, to outputs to manufacturing and drawing generation. It can operate in an integrated Mentor Graphics design environment or independently, accepting netlist information from other vendors' systems.

AutoTherm is a very fast and accurate finite-element-based tool for PCB thermal analysis. It enables engineers to explore the thermal behavior of design alternatives before finalizing a physical design. Mentor Graphics provides a common set of component models for AutoTherm and Board Station, and the two systems can exchange component placement and board outline information automatically.

Mentor Graphics Corp., Beaverton, Ore., was established in 1981 to design, manufacture, market and service electronic design automation (EDA) systems.

The company is the leader in worldwide EDA sales, with revenues of $442,598,000 over the last 12 months, as restated to reflect the merger with Silicon Compiler Systems Corp. The company currently employs more than 2,500 people. In addition to its corporate offices in Beaverton, Mentor Graphics has sales and support offices in 51 locations worldwide. The company headquarters are located at 8500 S.W. Creekside Place, Beaverton, OR 97005.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Duff & Phelps today lowered its ratings on The Travelers Corporation's (NYSE: TIC) senior debt from 'AA' (Double-A) to 'A' (Single-A), subordinated debt from 'AA-' (Double-A- Minus) to 'A-' (Single-A-Minus), and commercial paper from Duff 1+ to Duff 1. The Massachusetts Company's senior debt rating has been lowered from 'AA' (Double-A) to 'A' (Single-A). Duff & Phelps has also lowered its claims paying ability rating on The Travelers Insurance Company from 'AAA' (Triple-A) to 'AA-.' These rating actions were required due to Travelers' recent decision to increase reserves for continuing real estate and mortgage loan problems.

"The Travelers Corporation had decided to increase its loss reserve by $650 million for underperforming assets in its real estate and mortgage loan portfolio. The reserve addition was necessary as a result of worsening economic conditions in the mortgage loan and real estate markets and the resulting likelihood that non-performing real estate and mortgage loan assets will increase over the next several years," said a D&P spokesman.

The Travelers Corporation's mortgage and real estate portfolio totaled just under $17 billion on June 30, 1990. Loss reserves for underperforming real estate and mortgage loans totaled $538 million on June 30, 1990, and are expected to increase to approximately $1.1 billion with the recently announced addition. "The additional reserves will add a significant level of capacity to absorb future real estate and mortgage loan losses and Travelers' decision to reduce common stockholder dividends by $200 million annually will help cash flow.

However, the loss of income from underperforming real estate and mortgage loan assets, in conjunction with the continued capital needs to pursue core business strategies to support growth, have decreased the Travelers' financial flexibility," he continued .

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GERMANTOWN, MD (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Microlog Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MLOG) announced that a purchase agreement has been approved by the boards of directors of Microlog and Genesis Electronics Corporation wherein Microlog will acquire privately-held Genesis for 675,000 shares of Microlog common stock and $500,000 in cash less certain adjustments.

The acquisition is expected to be finalized before Dec. 31, 1990, subject to approval of the transaction in a California state fairness hearing and satisfaction of various conditions to closing.

California-based Genesis, founded in July 1983, manufactures and markets voice mail systems and software for small- and medium-size organizations through a large network of distributors. Sales in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, were in excess of $9.5 million as compared to Microlog's revenues of $15.5 million for its most recent fiscal year. In June of 1990, Genesis shipped its 4,000th voice mail system.

"The Genesis acquisition brings with it a strong, well established network of distributor relationships," commented J.G. Hartwell, chairman and CEO of Microlog. "This acquisition has the synergistic potential of expanding Microlog's distribution channel and enhancing Genesis' product line," concluded Hartwell.

"Microlog's microcomputer-based technology will allow Genesis to provide our distribution partners with a 'state-of-the-art' hardware platform to form the basis of our next generation CINDI product line. In addition, by incorporating Microlog's versatile software, our future product line will offer very comprehensive capabilities to service the growing voice processing market requirements beyond voice mail," said Gary S. Moskovitz, president and CEO of Genesis.

Microlog Corporation designs, assembles, markets, and services voice processing systems with a variety of applications. The company also provides, through its subsidiaries, Old Dominion Systems Incorporated of Maryland and Old Dominion Services, Inc., performance analysis and technical and administrative support services, primarily to a prime contractor to the U.S. Navy.

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PLYMOUTH, Minn. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - In Home Health, Inc. (NASDAQ: IHHI) announced that Raymond Roberts has been named vice president-Infusion Therapy and chief operating officer for In Home Health, Inc. effective immediately. Dr. Roberts' extensive pharmacy and management background in home infusion therapy will assist the company in adding this component to its existing base of business.

Dr. Roberts has over 10 years experience in home infusion, starting as the director of Pharmaceutical Services at Riverside Hospital in Jacksonville, Fla., later service as vice president of Support Services at Riverside Hospital. Most recently he was the corporate director of Pharmacy Services at

Kimberly Quality Care in Atlanta, Ga., and prior to that serves as the divisional director of Infusion Therapy Services in Jacksonville Beach, Fla. His experience in establishing new infusion offices in major metropolitan areas will be valuable in developing the model to be utilized throughout In Home Health's branch operations.

Dr. Roberts graduated from the University of Florida with a Doctor of Pharmacy. He is on the board of trustees of the American Pharmacy Association and a member of the coordinating committee for High Blood Pressure Education Program of the National Institute of Health in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Roberts currently lives in Jacksonville, Fla., with his wife Diane and his three children. He and his family will be relocating to the Minneapolis area in the near future.

Judy M. Figge, president and CEO, said, "We are excited to have Ray join the In Home team. His background in infusion pharmacy start ups, operations, sales, distribution and infusion reimbursement is exactly what we were looking for in this position. We feel his clinical background as a pharmacist will complement the strong nursing management currently in place."

In Home Health, Inc. provides quality home health care to people of all ages in their own homes. Home health care is currently a $12 billion industry in the United States and is expected to grow to $30 billion by the mid 1990s.

In Home Health, Inc. trades on NASDAQ/OMS: IHHI (common stock), IHHIU (1988 units), IHHIW (Class A Warrants), IHHIL (1990 units), IHHIZ (Class B Warrants) IHHIM (Class C Warrants).

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NASSAU, BAHAMAS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - British American Ins. Co. Ltd, Nassau Bahamas, announces that its has been informed that its 65 percent majority shareholder, Wilmington Trust Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: WILM), Trustee of the McMillen Trust, has obtained the approval of the Delaware Court of Chancery authorizing the Trustee to sell its 6.5 million British American shares to ITM International S.A. of Luxemburg for $40.8 million in cash and notes. The transaction is subject to a number of contingencies. It appears that the minority shareholders will not have the opportunity to sell their shares and will receive nothing from the transaction.

British American has also learned that the Trustee recently requested the Delaware Court of Chancery and was granted authority to vote the Trust's shares to remove and replace the current Directors of of British American. The Supreme Court of the Bahamas, however, has restrained the Trust from any

attempt to remove the Directors.

Since December 1987 when the Delaware Court authorized the Trustee to dispose of its 65 percent holding in British American, the Directors have persisted in efforts to convince the Trustee to engage in a transaction which would permit the minority shareholders to sell their share at the same time and on the same terms. A bidder for 100 percent of the shares was favored by the Directors but the Trustee did not request the Court to approve that bid. Instead, the Trustee requested and obtained Court approval of the ITM bid for the Trust Shares only.

On October 1, 1990 the Directors declared a dividend of $3 per share, payable to shareholders on October 12. On October 11, the Trustee sought and obtained an injunction in the Bahamas against the Directors paying the dividend. The directors will continue their efforts to have the dividend paid to all the shareholders on an equal and fair basis.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal Corporation (NYSE: UCL) today said that the board of directors elected Dennis P. Codon, 42, as corporate secretary, effective December 1.

Codon succeeds Robert O. Hedley, 65, who is retiring after more than 40 years with the company.

Codon is currently deputy general counsel. He joined the company in 1974 as a retail marketing representative. He held positions in the law department until being named to his current position earlier this year.

Codon has a bachelors' degree in political science from Brigham Young University and a juris doctor degree from Southwestern University School of Law. He is a member of the American and California bar associations, the executive committee of the Los Angeles County Bar Association-Corporate Tax Department Section, Maritime Law Association, American Corporate Counsel Association and the Institute for Corporate Counsel advisory committee.

Hedley joined the company in 1950 and held various positions in the auditing and accounting until he was named assistant corporate secretary in 1963. He was elected corporate secretary in 1972. He also served as trustee and secretary of the Unocal Foundation.

Hedley graduated with a bachelors' degree in business administration from the University of California, Los Angeles. He is a member of the American

Society of Corporate Secretaries and the Petroleum Investor Relations Association. He also serves as trustee of the Institute of International Education.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Harvey Sanders, president of State-O-Maine, Inc. (NASDAQ: SOME), a company engaged in the design, manufacture and sale of fine quality men's and women's sportswear and men's furnishings, announced today that the board of directors of the company had authorized the purchase of shares of the company's common stock. Sanders stated that "by taking advantage of the excellent opportunity represented by the current market price of our stock, we reaffirm our commitment to improving stockholder returns and our confidence in State-O-Maine's future.

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Crestar Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CRFC) reported $24.2 million in net income for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $26.6 million earned in the third quarter of 1989. Primary earnings per share were $0.76 compared with $0.83 in the third quarter of last year. Return on assets was 0.81 percent in the third quarter, return on equity was 12.35 percent and return on common equity was 12.74 percent.

For the first nine months, net income totaled $60.2 million compared with $76.4 million in the first nine months of 1989. Primary earnings per share were $1.87 versus the $2.42 earned in the same period last year. Results for the first nine months of this year include the impact of management's decision to strengthen Crestar's loan loss reserve by an additional $25 million during the second quarter. That decision reduced year-to-date earnings by approximately $16.4 million or $0.53 per share.

Net interest income increased 12 percent over the third quarter of 1989, reflecting a 13 percent increase in average earning assets. Earning asset growth was largely attributable to increases in investment securities and money market investments. The net interest margin for the third quarter was 4.12 percent compared with 4.25 percent in the third quarter of 1989 and reflects pressure from an industry-wide slowing in loan demand, a higher level of nonperforming assets, and strategic moves by management to improve liquidity.

Noninterest income of $41.3 million in the third quarter increased 5 percent

over the same period in 1989. Securities gains were $3.4 million higher than in the prior year's third quarter, but income from nonrecurring items was $2.9 million lower. Excluding those items, noninterest income increased 4 percent over the same period last year. Noninterest expense growth was 4 percent for the quarter and 5 percent for the first nine months of the year.

The third quarter loan loss provision was $19.7 million compared with the $10.2 million taken in the third quarter of 1989. Net charge-offs totaled $15.3 million or .79 percent of average loans compared with $10.1 million or .53 percent of average loans in the same period last year. Nonperforming assets, which consist of $116.4 million of nonperforming loans and $17.0 million of other real estate owned, rose to $133.4 million or 1.68 percent of loans and foreclosed properties from $119.1 million or 1.52 percent of loans and foreclosed properties at June 30, 1990. The allowance for loan losses was increased during the quarter to $127.7 million, which was equivalent to 1.61 percent of loans and 96 percent of nonperforming assets at September 30, 1990.

Crestar Financial Corporation is the holding company for three banks with 270 banking offices in Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia. Other subsidiaries provide insurance, brokerage, mortgage banking, leasing and investment advisory services. At September 30, 1990, Crestar has total assets of $12.7 billion and total deposits of $8.6 billion.

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804-782-7845, both of Crestar Financial Corporation

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HOLLAND, Mich. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Donnelly Corporation (AMEX: DON) today reported financial results for the first quarter of the 1991 fiscal year.

Net sales for the first quarter were $58,447,000 which represents an increase of 30.7 percent over $44,730,000 for the same period last year. Net income for the first quarter was $1,646,000, compared to a loss of ($1,347,000) during the first quarter of the 1990 fiscal year. Earnings per share for the first quarter were $.29, compared to a loss per share of ($.24) in the same quarter last year.

Performance during this quarter of fiscal 1991 represents a record first quarter for both sales and earnings.

Sales increased significantly, primarily due to the sale of new products to the automotive market. Vehicle production was up slightly (about 2.5 percent) during the quarter, compared to the same period last year. In addition, Donnelly expanded sales of automotive modular window units, "added feature mirrors" and complete exterior mirrors. The company also experienced

increased sales of coated glass products for the electronics market and information display market.

Earnings increased significantly during the first quarter as well. This was primarily due to the increased sales volumes and improved manufacturing operations.

Chairman and President J. Dwane Baumgardner, stated: "We are very pleased to report that the 1990/91 fiscal year is getting off to a strong start. Our 1989/90 fiscal year was a very difficult one because we experienced major downturns in both our automotive and coated products markets. During the past year, the company took actions to improve operations and reduce costs. Now that the business environment has improved somewhat, significant improvements are also being realized in the financial performance of the company.

"Although we have a solid start, there are uncertainties in the year ahead. Donnelly is faced with the same concerns that affect all Americans ... the threat of conflict in the Middle East, concern over rising energy costs, and the possibhility of an economic recession. Negative developments in these areas would also have a negative effect on many businesses such as ours.

"A rapidly changing environment is not new for Donnelly. We are confident in our flexibility in dealing with change and remain cautiously optimistic for the year ahead."

Donnelly has been experiencing rapid growth in a number of new automotive product areas which contributed to first-quarter performance.

Modular window units have rapidly been growing in popularity with automakers because pre-construction of individual window components (glass, trim, seals, and attachment studs) produces a product which is of higher quality, more competitively priced, and offers greater design freedom than conventional windows. Added feature mirrors are also gaining rapidly in popularity since they integrate electronic features into the interior mirror assembly (such as lights or lights and compass) which add function and improve safety for the driver.

Donnelly also recently completed a three-year, start-up program for the manufacturing of complete exterior mirror assemblies for Honda of America. These mirrors are very complex and meet some of the highest automotive quality standards in the world. This manufacturing operation is located in Grand Haven, Mich., and had been experiencing planned losses throughout most of the three-year, start-up plan. This operation is now contributing to overall corporate profitability.

Donnelly Corporation is an international company dedicated to serving customers around the world with high-quality fabricated, molded, and coated glass products for the transportation and electronics markets. The company

has been based in Holland, Mich., since 1905 and today operates from 12 separate facilities in western Michigan. In addition, Donnelly has a major manufacturing facility in Naas, Ireland, marketing liaison offices in Tokyo and in Detroit, an Advanced Technology Center in Tucson, Ariz., and a manufacturing facility (in conjunction with Asahi Glass of Japan) in Mount Pleasant, Tenn. Donnelly is also recognized as a leader in the application of participative management practices.

Financial highlights for the three months ending Sept. 30, 1990, and fiscal year ending June 30, 1990, are as follows:

DONNELLY CORPORATION
COMBINED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(In thousands, except per-share data)

	(Unaudited) Three Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Net sales	$58,447	$44,730
Automotive products net sales	50,508	37,561
Coated products net sales	7,939	7,169
Gross profit	12,043	7,272
Operating income/(loss)	2,640	(1,405)
Interest expense	1,051	958
Income/(loss) before taxes on income and minority interest	2,058	(2,081)
Net income/(loss)	1,646	(1,347)
Income/(loss) per share of common stock	.29	(.24)
Dividends per share of common stock	.07	.07
Weighted average no. of common shares outstanding	5,558	5,558

	(Audited) Fiscal Year Ending	
	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Net sales	$213,086	$198,323
Automotive products net sales	189,024	165,462
Coated products net sales	24,062	32,861
Gross profit	42,411	42,048
Operating income	5,851	10,184
Interest expense	4,273	2,648
Income before taxes on income and minority interest	1,895	8,364
Net income	2,337	6,216
Income per share of common stock	.41	1.11
Dividends per share of common stock	.28	.28
Weighted average no. of common shares outstanding	5,558	5,558

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ROCHESTER HILLS, MI (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Trans-Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: TRNI), a leading manufacturer and marketer of electronics and plastics-based products for the transportation and commercial markets, today reported operating results for the third quarter and nine months of 1990.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company realized sales of $8,157,236 and a net profit of $170,024. For the same period of the prior year, the company reported sales of $6,932,750 and a net profit of $122,113. Earnings per share for the third quarter were $.06 and $.04 for 1990 and 1989, respectively.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, there was a net profit of $151,510 or $.05 a share on sales of $22,159,386. Figures for the comparable period in 1989 were a net profit of $757,875 or $.27 a share on sales of $22,182,104.

TRANS-INDUSTRIES, INC.
SALES AND EARNINGS REPORT (UNAUDITED)

	Third Quarter Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$8,157,236	$6,932,750	$22,159,386	$22,182,104(a)
Cost of sales	5,894,801	4,853,355	16,083,179	15,574,216
Gross profit	2,262,435	2,079,395	6,076,207	6,607,888
Selling, G&A, & interest	2,079,411	1,842,282	5,779,697	5,597,013
Pre-tax profit/ (loss)	183,024	237,113	296,510	1,010,875
Income taxes	13,000	115,000	145,000	253,000
Net profit/ (loss)	$170,024	$122,113	$151,510	$757,875
Earnings per share	$.06	$.04	$.05	$.27
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	2,798,889	2,764,445	2,798,889	2,764,445

(a) Includes $250,000 of income from sale of land previously held for investment.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (UNAUDITED)

	Third Quarter Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Assets:		

Total current assets	$13,949,412	$12,653,218
Net fixed assets	5,761,005	5,405,790
Other assets	839,541	900,287
Total assets	$20,549,958	$18,959,295
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity:		
Total current liabilities	$9,266,091	$8,701,858
Deferred income taxes	435,600	410,100
Long-term debt	4,550,446	3,677,021
Shareholders' equity	6,297,821	6,170,316
Total liabilities & shareholders' equity	$20,549,958	$18,959,295

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Penn Central Corporation (NYSE: PC) announced that it is discussing with American Financial Corporation (AFC) the potential purchase by Penn Central of AFC's non-standard automobile insurance group for approximately $408 million. The group consists of Atlanta Casualty Company, Windsor Insurance Company and Stonewall Insurance Company and their respective subsidiaries.

Completion of a transaction would be subject to certain conditions, including approval by a special committee of Penn Central directors appointed to review the proposed purchase, receipt by Penn Central of an appropriate fairness opinion from an investment banking firm and any required regulatory approvals.

AFC owns 41.6 percent of Penn Central's common shares and AFC's principal shareholder, Carl H. Lindner, is chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Penn Central.

AFC's non-standard automobile insurance group had net premiums earned of $328.0 million and net income of $31.3 million for 1989. Estimated net premiums earned and net income for the first nine months of 1990 were $320 million and $25 million, respectively. The group had estimated total shareholders' equity of $207 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

Penn Central operates businesses primarily in the areas of industrial manufacturing, defense services, insurance and energy.

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-30- 1640

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ST. PAUL, MN (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Pentair, Inc. (NASDAQ: PNTA), the St. Paul-based manufacturer of industrial products and paper, today reported net income of $9.5 million, or 71 cents per fully diluted share, on net sales of $300.7 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. This represents a 19 percent gain over third quarter 1989 net income of $8.0 million, or 63 cents per fully diluted share, on net sales of $300.1 million.

In the Paper Group, sales in the premium paper markets, including recycled-fiber papers, helped boost operating income 61 percent above third quarter 1989 levels. Businesses in the Industrial Products Group maintained earnings at 1989 third quarter levels, despite softer demand in some markets.

"Pentair's performance has improved steadily since the beginning of the year," said D. Eugene Nugent, Pentair chairman and chief executive officer. "This improvement speaks well for the enhanced competitiveness of our businesses that enable them to perform satisfactorily under less- than-ideal market conditions. Though we're concerned about the obvious weakness of the national economy, we expect our businesses will be able to achieve good earnings in the months ahead."

Pentair, Inc. is a St. Paul, Minn.-based company comprised of 10 businesses which manufacture woodworking equipment, electric power tools, sporting ammunition, electrical enclosures, automotive service equipment, industrial lubrication systems, material dispensing equipment, pumps and paper.

PENTAIR, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME
($000s) Unaudited

	Nine Months Ended		Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$881,996	$878,769	$300,681	$300,082
Operating costs				
Cost of goods sold	685,845	684,997	231,621	238,415
Selling, general and administrative	143,118	133,956	47,413	43,964
Other (income) expense	(489)	(1,576)	(141)	(710)
Total operating costs	828,474	817,377	278,893	281,669
	53,522	61,392	21,788	18,413
Equity in joint venture income	2,694	4,445	604	1,404
Operating income	56,216	65,837	22,392	19,817
Interest (expense)	(18,985)	(20,311)	(6,690)	(6,789)
Interest income	925	1,015	404	971
Income before income taxes	38,156	46,541	16,106	13,399
Provision for income taxes	16,000	19,242	6,650	5,442
Net income	22,156	27,299	9,456	7,957
Preferred dividend requirements	5,660	3,188	2,141	1,022
Earnings applicable to				

common stock	$16,496	$24,111	$7,315	$6,935
Earnings per common and common equivalent share				
Primary	$1.65	$2.23	$.73	$.64
Diluted	$1.63	$2.14	$.71	$.63
Dividends per share				
common stock	$.66	$.60	$.22	$.20
Weighted average common shares				
Primary	10,805	10,801	10,682	10,832
Diluted	13,825	12,780	14,044	12,778

CONTACT: Mark Cain of Pentair, 612-636-7920

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MOUNT PROSPECT, ILL. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Air Force Standard Systems Center at Gunter Air Force Base, Ala., has announced that Zenith Data Systems (ZDS) is the apparent winner of its Standard Software Requirements Contract I, which has an estimated value of $21.9 million. The Air Force plans to award this contract in early November, pending pre-award approval.

A Groupe Bull company, ZDS is expected to supply more than 300,000 software upgrades for use with desktop and laptop microcomputers that were purchased by the Air Force, Navy, Army and Defense Logistics Agency under Department of Defense (DOD) standard "requirements" contracts.

Under the terms of the new three-year contract, ZDS will provide the latest versions of 19 commercially available software packages, including MS-DOS 4.0, Microsoft Windows 3.0, Enable 4.0 and dBase 4.0.

"By offering the most up-to-date software versions, this contract will allow us to extend the effectiveness of the many personal computers in use by the DOD, including the more than 500,000 systems ZDS has supplied," said Charlie Blandford, ZDS vice president of market development, Federal Systems. "We're excited about this contract because it will allow us to maintain our longstanding relationship with the Air Force and other DOD agencies through a new requirements contract."

To assist users with software-related advice, ZDS will establish a technical support center in Montgomery, Ala., which can be accessed toll-free by customers worldwide.

ZDS is a leading manufacturer and marketer of portable and desktop microcomputers and monitors for single- and multi-user applications. With headquarters in Mount Prospect, and principal assembly operations in St. Joseph, Mich., ZDS has manufacturing and sales facilities in more than 30 countries. ZDS' Federal Systems office is in Vienna, Va., and marketing

support offices are located in Montgomery; Heidelburg, Germany; and Seoul, South Korea.

CONTACT: Matt Mirapaul, 708-699-4897, or Glen-Eric Nelson, 708-699-4848, both of Zenith Data Systems, or USAF Sgt. William Dunlap, 205-279-3673

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#90288p4865 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Screw Works (OTC: FSCR) reported net sales of $15,091,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net sales of $14,753,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. The company's earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $360,000, or $.31 per share, compared to net earnings of $545,000, or $.46 per share, for the same quarter of the prior year.

While sales were slightly higher in the quarter just ended than in the same quarter of the previous year, manufacturing activity was much lower, resulting in the reduced earnings. However, a significant reduction in inventories was accomplished. New manufacturing programs scheduled for the second half of the fiscal year should buffer the effect of a possible reduction in automobile sales.

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#90288p4866 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOWELL, ARK. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - J. B. Hunt Transport Services, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: JBHT) announced today revenues and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Consolidated revenues for the third quarter increased 5 percent to $142.3 million, compared with $135.2 million for the corresponding period in 1989. Net earnings amounted to $8.7 million, or 37 cents per share, compared with $9.4 million or 40 cents per share for the corresponding quarter a year ago. Earnings per share are based on 23,554,823 and 23,628,543 weighted average number of common shares outstanding, respectively.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 11 percent to $420.5 million from $377.2 million in the first nine months of 1989. Net earnings amounted to $23.3 million (99 cents per share) compared with $22.3 million (94 cents per share). Earnings per share for 1990 and 1989 are based on 23,614,406 and 23,614,354 weighted average number of common shares outstanding, respectively.

Third quarter results reflect price increases due to a revenue surcharge in

response to higher fuel cost resulting from the crisis in the Persian Gulf. Equipment utilization was negatively impacted by the continuing industrywide driver shortage.

J. B. HUNT TRANSPORT SERVICES, INC.
(Consolidated, unaudited, in thousands, except per share data)

Periods ended:	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$142,297	$135,172	$420,453	$377,218
Operating expenses:				
Salaries, wages & benefits	58,123	56,256	174,426	159,680
Fuel & fuel taxes	22,169	19,868	66,405	57,437
Operating supplies & exps.	13,762	12,287	40,586	34,824
Communications & utilities	1,902	2,145	5,981	6,499
Operating taxes & licenses	4,590	4,952	13,640	13,106
Insurance & claims	7,081	6,142	23,125	17,055
Depreciation & amortization	14,526	12,422	42,834	37,161
General & administrative	4,241	2,258	10,109	6,284
Total operating expenses	126,394	116,330	377,106	332,046
Operating income	15,903	18,842	43,347	45,172
Interest expense	1,502	2,767	4,880	7,118
Earnings before income taxes	14,401	16,075	38,467	38,054
Income taxes	5,688	6,672	15,194	15,793
Net earnings	$ 8,713	$ 9,403	$ 23,273	$ 22,261
Common shares outstanding	23,555	23,629	23,614	23,614
Earnings per share	0.37	0.40	0.99	0.94

CONTACT: Kirk Thompson, president and chief executive officer of J. B. Hunt Transport Services, 501-820-8110

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#90288p4867 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Polaroid Corporation (NYSE: PRD) today reported that worldwide sales for third quarter of 1990 increased 6 percent to $463.7 million, compared with $437.7 million in the 1989 third quarter.

Net earnings for the quarter increased 5 percent to $31.3 million, compared with $29.9 million for the same period last year. After deducting dividends on preferred stock in the quarter, primary earnings per common share were 42 cents, compared with 40 cents per common share for the third quarter of the prior year.

In the 1990 third quarter, U.S. sales were down 6 percent, while international sales, aided in part by the weaker U.S. dollar, increased by 27 percent. Despite the weakening U.S. economy, strong international sales, particularly in Europe, contributed to the overall sales increase. Worldwide unit sales

of cameras, instant film, conventional film, and videotape all increased in the period compared to last year's results.

Higher unit sales for the quarter and the weakening of the U.S. dollar contributed to increased margins, but these were more than offet by substantially higher marketing expenses, resulting in a 5 percent decrease in operating profit. Profit before taxes, however, increased due to lower interest expense.

I. MacAllister Booth, president and chief executive officer of Polaroid, said, "While we continue to contain administrative overhead costs, and strive to maximize efficiency and productivity throughout the company, we remain committed to making the marketing, product development, and capital expenditures necessary to support sales and to secure our competitive position in the growing imaging marketplace of the future. Our third quarter earnings reflect these investments."

"For the full year, we continue to expect, as we indictated at the end of the second quarter, that operating profits will be flat to moderately down from last year's levels, reflecting the uncertainties of the U.S. business climate and continued investments in product development. For succeeding years, it has become clear that in light of our experiences in the marketplace together with rapidly changing economic conditions, earlier public financial predictions are no longer valid and should be disregarded," Booth stated.

Polaroid Corporation, with sales of almost $2 billion, is the worldwide leader in instant imaging. The company supplies instant photography, cameras and films, conventional films, video tapes and electronic visual communication products to family, business, and technical and industrial markets.

CONTACT: Samuel Yanes of Polaroid Corporation, 617-577-4191

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#90288p4868 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINCHESTER, VA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of F&M National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: FMNT) today announced that in its latest meeting, held on Oct. 10, 1990, the F&M board authorized management to purchase up to 200,000 shares of the company's common stock from time to time on the open market. F&M anticipates that the repurchased shares will be used primarily for general corporate purposes which include the funding of employee benefit plans.

Headquartered in Winchester, F&M is a financial corporation which owns seven banks and an assortment of mortgage companies and small loan companies. F&M's total assets as of Sept. 30, 1990, were approximately $810,772,000.

CONTACT: Miles R. Orndorff Jr., public relations, or J. Frank Loy, secretary,

F&M National Corporation, 703-665-4200

-30- 976

#90288p4869 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Division today reported the following 10-day sales figures:

	Oct. 1-10		Month-to-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Selling days	9	8	9	8
Ford	2,734	2,881	2,734	2,881
Thunderbird	2,812	4,350	2,812	4,350
Taurus	7,562	8,934	7,562	8,934
Tempo	6,370	12,506	6,370	12,506
Escort	9,245	7,508	9,245	7,508
Festiva	1,072	1,670	1,072	1,670
Mustang	2,713	2,767	2,713	2,767
Probe	1,491	3,464	1,491	3,464
Total cars	33,999	44,080	33,999	44,080
Bronco	790	1,720	790	1,720
Bronco II/Expl	5,701	2,862	5,701	2,862
Club Wagon	520	862	520	862
Van	3,296	3,823	3,296	3,823
Aerostar	4,033	5,044	4,033	5,044
Ranger	5,717	6,931	5,717	6,931
F-Series	11,995	13,150	11,995	13,150
Heavy	897	1,618	897	1,618
Total trucks	32,949	36,010	32,949	36,010

	CYTD	
	1990	1989
Selling days	239	238
Ford	90,501	91,009
Thunderbird	84,073	101,953
Taurus	248,934	281,461
Tempo	179,686	185,669
Escort	226,121	280,657
Festiva	44,604	57,652
Mustang	97,820	138,536
Probe	93,838	110,573
Total cars	1,065,577	1,247,510
Bronco	39,994	48,982
Bronco II/Expl	129,179	86,220
Club Wagon	16,666	20,278
Van	120,414	136,861
Aerostar	144,459	155,651
Ranger	226,473	220,855

F-Series	431,298	460,800
Heavy	37,090	46,498
Total trucks	1,145,573	1,176,145

CONTACT: Mike Parris of Ford Division, 313-446-7770

-30- 2391

#90288p4872 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Powell Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: POWL) announced today that its wholly-owned subsidiary, U.S. Turbine Corp., has signed an agreement with the Gas Turbine Division of Ishikawajima-Harima Heavy Industries Co., Ltd. of Japan to package IHI's LM1600, LM2500, LM5000 and LM6000 packages in the United States at the U.S. Turbine facility in Maineville, Ohio for North American customers. Under this arrangement, IHI continues to maintain prime contractor responsibilities for projects and U.S. Turbine will be a subcontractor. The agreement not only includes the packaging of these engines under IHI design, but will also include marketing assistance and after sales support activities by U.S. Turbine under IHI direction.

All of the innovative and original equipment design aspects of IHI packages, as well as all of the special technical and cost efficient features which set the IHI packages of General Electric LM engines apart, will be retained. U.S. Turbine brings to this arrangement its expertise in sales and technical support, factory testing, training, and experienced start-up support, all out of U.S. facilities.

This new relationship will make IHI a more comptetitive and efficient supplier of Genral Electric's aero-derivative power packages. Interested parties should contact either of the following individuals:

Thomas W. Smith	Mike Furuya
V.P. sales & marketing	V.P., machinery engineering
U.S. Turbine Corporation	IHI, Inc.
30 West 57th Street	277 park Avenue, Suite 1321
Hindsdale, Ill. 60521	New York, N.Y. 10172
708-325-3117	212-223-8208

Powell Industries, Inc. designs, manufactures and packages electrical generation, control and distribution equipment.

CONTACT: J.F. Ahart of Powell Industries Inc., 713-947-4422

-30- 2052

#90288p4876 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are unit sales for the 10-day period, Oct. 1-10, for Lincoln-Mercury Division:

	Current	Year-ago
Grand Marquis	1,891	2,405
Cougar	1,384	2,184
Sable	3,881	2,647
Topaz	1,463	2,200
Tracer	1,586	1,115
Capri	469	---
Lincoln Town Car	4,166	2,489
Mark VII	321	426
Continental	1,571	1,479
XR4Ti	---	59
Scorpio	---	88
TOTAL	16,732	15,092

CONTACT: Edda LaFramboise of Lincoln-Mercury Division, 313-446-4368.

-30- 971

#90288p4879 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Occidental Petroleum Corporation today announced that it had signed a production sharing agreement to explore the 674,000 acre Al-Oqlah(S2) block in the Shabwah area of the Yemen Republic. Occidental has agreed to conduct a seismic program and drill four exploratory wells during the initial two-year exploratory period.

In announcing the new contracts, Dr. Armand Hammer, chairman and chief executive officer of Occidental, said, "Occidental is fortunate to acquire a major acreage position in this developing oil basin where blocks have just recently been offered for international bid. The S2 block was our first choice. It is on trend with the giant Alif field discovered by Hunt Oil Company in 1984 and contains several promising structures."

Occidental is the operator with a 100 percent interest.

CONTACT: Frank Ashley of Occidental Petroleum, 213-443-6592.

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#90288p4881 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers who travel frequently can now make long distance calls directly to their home more economically and conveniently with their own Personal 800 number, MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) today announced.

Beginning Oct. 22, MCI's Personal 800 service will allow consumers to receive calls directly to their homes for a single, low flat per-minute rate, regardless of the distance of the calls or number of calls made.

"Residential telephone users now have all of the conveniences that have long been available to businesses," according to Wayne Gattinella, MCI vice president of consumer services.

"Calling home from the road or having far away family and friends be able to call you using an 800 number makes keeping in touch easier and affordable. Calls can be made from any telephone or payphone anywhere in the country without the need for complex dialing or coins," added Gattinella.

Personal 800, offered as an enhancement to MCI's PrimeTime calling plan, allows consumers the most economical long distance calling to their homes from anywhere in the United States, Alaska and Hawaii for just $2 per month on weeknights and all weekend. All 800 calls made during plan hours are priced at PrimeTime's low rate of $6.50 per hour (10.8 cents per minute).

Personal 800 calls made during non-PrimeTime plan hours are priced at 25 cents per minute. Consumers automatically receive the PrimeTime 10 percent bonus discount, which applies to all 800 calls made during non-plan hours.

Introduced in May 1989, MCI's PrimeTime service permits consumers to use and pay for long distance service by the hour during convenient times when they most often make their calls. Plan hours are 5 p.m. to 8 a.m. weeknights, 24 hours on Saturday, and on Sundays until 5 p.m. and from 11 p.m. to 8 a.m. Monday.

For consumers who want only 800 service, MCI also offers Personal 800 service separately. Consumers can take advantage of MCI's service without having to switch their long distance carrier. Calls are priced at a flat 25 cents per minute and consumers pay a low, monthly charge of $5.

No call surcharges, installation or subscription fees will be charged for either version of the service, according to the company.

Consumers who purchase the new service will be issued an 800 number and 4-digit private security code. To place a call, consumers need only dial their 800 number, wait for a tone prompt, and enter their 4-digit code for the call to be connected.

A special toll-free customer service number, 1-800-373-7184, will be available on Oct. 22 to handle customer inquiries and services orders, according to MCI.

CONTACT: MCI Communications Corporation, Corporate News Bureau, 1-800-289-0073 or 202-887-3000

-30- 3006

#90288p4883 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOWELL, ARK. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - J. B. Hunt Transport Services, Inc.

(NASDAQ-NMS: JBHT), today announced that the company has extended the repurchasing of its outstanding shares of common stock, $.01 par value by an additional 500,000 shares. The company had previously announced its intention to buy back an initial 500,000 shares of which approximately 450,000 shares have been obtained.

The company continues to believe that the repurchase of shares is an attractive investment and a prudent use of the company's financial resources. The company intends to hold the shares in treasury to be used for general corporate purposes, which may include acquisitions, employee stock options, and restricted stock awards.

CONTACT: Kirk Thompson, president and chief executive officer of J. B. Hunt Transport, 501-820-8110

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#90288p4885 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors dealers in the United States today reported the following vehicle sales:

	Period Oct. 1-10		Calendar Year(a) Jan. 1-Oct. 10	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Vehicles	128,518	100,818	4,030,845	4,213,603
Percent Change Per S/D	+13.3	---	-4.3	---
Total Cars	92,030	70,792	2,683,266	2,835,738
Percent Change Per S/D	+15.6	---	-5.4	---
Total Trucks	36,488	30,026	1,347,579	1,377,865
Percent Change Per S/D	+8.0	---	-2.2	---

Division	Period Oct. 1-10		Calendar Year Jan. 1-Oct. 10	
Total Vehicles	1990	1989	1990	1989
Chevrolet	60,310	49,169	2,148,799	2,188,482
Pontiac	23,387	17,830	547,866	563,513
Oldsmobile	14,068	11,718	430,472	505,383
Buick	14,446	9,049	422,785	442,030
Cadillac	8,571	6,205	203,133	210,903
GMC	7,736	6,847	277,790	303,292
Domestic Sales Cars	89,040	68,301	2,537,254	2,700,440

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Duty Trucks	35,306	29,235	1,316,598	1,341,329

NOTE: Nine selling days (S/D) in the Oct. 1-10 period this year and eight selling days last year.

(a) -- Year-to-year percent change is not adjusted for selling days.

CONTACT: Terrence Sullivan, 313-556-2019, or Karen Longridge, 313-556-2035, both of General Motors Corporation.

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#90288p4886 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are Chrysler Corporation's sales results for the first 10-day selling period of October.

	Total Cars			Selling Days	
	1990	1989	Pct. Change	'90	'89
Oct. 1-10	28,129	25,577	-2.2	9	8
Jan. 1-Oct. 10	669,834	831,427	-19.8	239	238
	Domestic Cars				
Oct. 1-10	26,234	22,721	+2.6		
Jan. 1-Oct. 10	619,253	747,327	-17.5		
	Total Trucks				
Oct. 1-10	17,062	21,269	-28.7		
Jan. 1-Oct. 10	672,659	777,189	-13.8		
	Domestic Trucks				
Oct. 1-10	16,758	20,120	-26.0		
Jan. 1-Oct. 10	662,150	746,161	-11.6		
	Total Vehicles				
Oct. 1-10	45,191	46,846	-14.3		
Jan. 1-Oct. 10	1,342,493	1,608,616	-16.9		

All changes are computed on a daily rate basis.

CONTACT: Tom Houston of Chrysler, 313-252-8790

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#90288p4888 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Global Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: GIM) today issued the following manager's report:

World financial markets in September reflected the continuing uncertainty surrounding developments in the Middle East. Bond markets have responded to intensified inflationary expectations and interest rates have either remained

relatively high or are continuing to rise. Rates in Germany and Japan are being pushed up by strong economic growth and, in the case of Germany, the cost of financing reunification. Interest rates in the United States have remained in a relatively narrow range, refusing to rise appreciably despite higher inflation reports. Corporate spreads have widened in the face of mounting evidence indicating a slowdown in business activity.

Templeton Global Income Fund generally became more defensive, selling longer dated bonds in several markets. In the U.S., Resolution Trust Corp. zero coupon bonds and some longer dated corporates were sold. The Canada position increased modestly and remains predominantly short-term in maturity, where the spreads over the U.S. are the most attractive. A small position was added in the Yen.

Longer dated bonds denominated in the European Currency Unit were sold in favor of shorter dated French government bonds for a modest yield pickup. The seven year bonds in Italy were sold to buy Italian governments with a three year put as well as governments that float at a premium over treasury bills. Additional bonds were purchased in Denmark to take advantage of the very high real yields available in that market.

GIM continues to emphasize quality, with investment grade securities constituting 97 percent of the portfolio. The remaining 3 percent consists mostly of dollar pay debt of Mexico, where the principal is effectively guaranteed by the U.S. Treasury zero coupon bonds.

TEMPLETON GLOBAL INCOME FUND, INC.
DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS

	Percent
Australia & New Zealand	4.0
Japan	4.2
United States	20.0
Canada	21.1
Europe	49.7

Total Net Assets: $963 Million

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#90288p4889 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUN VALLEY, CA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Flamemaster Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: FAME) reported that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.025 per share to be paid Oct. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record, Oct. 16, 1990.

The board also authorized the purchase of up to 95,000 shares of the company's

outstanding common stock, which represents a little over five percent. The purchases will be made in open market or private transactions, depending on market conditions and availability.

CONTACT: Joseph Mazin, president of Flamemaster, (818) 982-1650 or (213) 875-1590.

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#90288p4894 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWALK, CT (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - United States Surgical Corporation (NYSE: USS) reported today that it achieved record sales and record earnings for the third quarter of 1990. Sales increased 58 percent to $134.9 million versus $85.6 million in the comparable 1989 quarter. Net income rose 67 percent to $12.4 million and net income per share rose 52 percent to $.47 per share over the comparable quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales rose 43 percent to $360 million versus $251.3 million in the comparable 1989 period. Net income rose 37 percent to $31.4 million or $1.23 per share, compared with $22.9 million or $.99 per share in the 1989 period, excluding the 1989 special items, net income would have been $20.6 million or $.89 per share.

Leon C. Hirsch, chairman, stated that, "Accelerating worldwide usage of USSC's core surgical stapling products, coupled with the dynamic growth of laparoscopic gallbladder surgery, has fueled record sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine month period."

United States Surgical Corporation is the world's largest manufacturer and marketer of surgical staplers.

CONTACT: Marianne Scipione, vice president, corporate communications of United States Surgical Corporation, 203-845-1404

-30- 1454

#90288p4896 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Oct. 12, 1990.

All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields
(30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago
Conventional			

15-Year FRM	9.88	9.59	9.62
30-Year FRM	10.25	9.97	9.86 FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)
	10.50	10.22	10.11

10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.

Second Mortgages	9.850	9.700	9.700

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term) Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	8.95	8.85	9.30	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	9.20	9.10	9.55	2.000 pct.
1(A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	7.90	7.80	8.35	2.250 pct. 6 mos(A)
(COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	8.00	7.90	8.40	2.125 pct.

(A) Rate reduction (B) 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM.
Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs.

LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
September 27, 1990	8.297	8.375	8.422	8.500
August 30, 1990	8.125	8.188	8.188	8.313

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 10/12/90	Year to Date	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(A)	353.9	18,151.1	17,069.6
Purchases	556.4	18,256.1	15,636.2
MBS Issued	2,841.0	76,542.4	47,384.8

(A) Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

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-30- 2307

#90288p4899 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MI (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Guardsman Products, Inc. (NYSE: GPI) today announced net income and sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income was $367,000 or $.05 per share in the third quarter of 1990 compared to $1,997,000 or $.28 per share in 1989. Sales for the third quarter increased to $48,893,000.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to $2,968,000 or $.41 per share and sales were $144,777,000 compared to $143,426,000 in 1989.

GUARDSMAN PRODUCTS, INC.

Quarter Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Sales	$ 48,893,000	$ 48,195,000
Net income	367,000	1,997,000
Per share net income (a)	$.05	$.28

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Sales	$144,777,000	$143,426,000
Net income	2,968,000	5,455,000
Per share net income (a)	$.41	$.78

(a) - Based on 7,310,494 shares for the quarter and 7,294,392 shares for the nine months in 1990; and 7,208,099 shares for the quarter and 7,059,098 shares for the nine months in 1989.

Charles E. Bennett, president and chief operating officer of Guardsman, stated that "our disappointing third-quarter results are reflective of business conditions in the industries served by our Coatings Group and weakness in the markets for the resin products which are manufactured by our Canadian subsidiary. In addition, our earnings continued to be affected by start-up costs associated with expansion into the merchant resin and Solidex businesses."

Guardsman Products, Inc. is a diversified producer of custom industrial coatings, consumer products, and packaging services.

CONTACT: Edward D. Corlett of Guardsman Products, Inc., (616) 957-2600.

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AUGUSTA, GA. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Bankers First Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: BNKF) today announced the signing of a letter of intent to sell 100 percent of the common stock of Athens Federal Savings Bank to Synovus Financial Corp. (NYSE: SNV).

Under the terms of the letter agreement, the sale would be valued at approximately $34 million as of Sept. 30. The sales price will be adjusted for 100 percent of earnings retained through May 31, 1991, and thereafter, 50 percent of earnings to closing. The parties currently expect the purchase price would be approximately $36 million. Sales proceeds to Bankers First will be $20 million in cash with the balance in the form of Synovus common stock. Based on Oct. 12, closing price, Bankers First would receive approximately 1 million shares of Synovus common stock. The actual number of shares will be based on the average closing price of Synovus common stock for a 20-day measurement period preceding closing of the transaction. Under the terms of the agreement, Bankers First must convert Athens Federal to a commercial bank prior to closing.

H.M. Osteen Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Bankers First Corp., explained the Bankers First strategy: "This sale will create a very highly capitalized institution. Our board feels that the market has always rewarded companies that have tangible capital substantially in excess of industry norms and requirements, and will continue to do so in the future. By realizing this value through the sale of Athens Federal, benefits will ultimately flow to our shareholders. This strategy will position Bankers First to meet the challenges and take advantage of the opportunities in this era of monumental change in the financial services industry."

USE OF PROCEEDS The company intends to deploy the proceeds of the sale in a number of beneficial ways to increase shareholder value, including:

-- Repurchase of up to 25 percent of Bankers First outstanding common stock;
-- Recapitalization of the company's thrift subsidiaries at capital levels in excess of federal and state requirements;
-- Use of additional resources for the reduction of non-performing assets;
-- Franchise enhancement in selected markets, including Augusta and Savannah, Ga., and Chattanooga, Tenn.

BALANCE SHEET RESTRUCTURING As a result of this transaction, the pro forma Bankers First balance sheet at Sept. 30, 1990, would be significantly restructured through:

-- An increase in tangible equity to assets from 4.3 percent to approximately 6.9 percent
-- An increase in tangible equity of approximately $5 million
-- A reduction of goodwill by more than $15 million
-- A reduction in stated equity of approximately $10 million from recognition of loss on the sale and income tax expense related to the charter conversion and capital gains taxes
-- A reduction of more than $390 million in loans and $400 million in deposits.

The sale and final definitive agreement must be approved by the boards of directors of Bankers First and Synovus and by regulatory authorities.

Bankers First Corp. is a financial services company principally serving the Augusta, Athens, Rossville (Chattanooga, Tenn.), and Savannah, Ga., markets with 36 banking offices and 34 automated teller machines. The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System using the symbol BNKF. The abbreviation found in most newspaper listings is "Bankers First."

BANKERS FIRST CORP.
PRO FORMA FINANCIAL STATEMENT ANALYSIS
SALE OF AFSB FOR $34 MILLION

($ IN MILLIONS EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)

	Actual 9/30/90	Impact of Sale At 9/30/90	Pro Forma 9/30/90
Balance Sheet:			
Total Assets	$1,480	$(460)	$1,020
Stated Book Value	84	(10)	74
Book Value Per Share	19.36	(2.36)	17.00
Tangible Equity	64	5	69
Tangible Book Value per share	14.78	1.09	15.87
Ratios:			
Stated Equity/Assets	5.7 pct.		7.2 pct.
Tangible Equity/Assets	4.3		6.8
NPA/Assets	2.6		3.2
NPA/Tangible Equity	59.3		47.1

CONTACT: Glenn W. Peters, vice president and chief financial officer of Bankers First, 404-823-3235

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BOCA RATON, FLA. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Cascade International, Inc. (NASDAQ: KOSM) today announced unaudited results of Conston Corporation's 13 week second quarter ended Sept. 1, 1990. Conston reported earnings of $.14 cents per share, compared to a loss of ($.32) per share for the same period a year earlier.

Cascade International, Inc. operates several subsidiary chain stores, retailing women's apparel and propriety cosmetics. Its proprietary women's cosmetics are distributed through licensed cosmetic counters and throughout its other retail outlets under the name Jean Cosmetics. Its retail women's apparel chains include JB's Boutiques, Boutiques Diana and Boutiques Allison.

CONTACT: Kerrie Kane, director of investor relations of Cascade International, Inc., 407-338-8278; or Earle B. Brown, president of Investor Relations Consultants, 813-796-1452, for Cascade International, Inc.

-30- 1144

#90288p4907 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DURHAM, NC (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Brooke Group Ltd. (NYSE: BGL) announced that the company's Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of $0.14 per share.

The dividend is payable on November 1, 1990 to record holders of the company's common stock on October 25, 1990.

CONTACT: Carol Jova of Brooke Group Ltd., (919) 683-8992.

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#90288p4909 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, GA. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Synovus Financial Corp. (NYSE: SNV) today announced that it has signed a letter of intent to acquire Athens Federal Savings Bank ("Athens Federal"), Athens, Ga., a wholly owned subsidiary of Bankers First Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: BNKF) ("Bankers First").

Consummation of the proposed acquisition is subject to a due diligence investigation by Synovus, the execution of a definitive purchase agreement, the prior approval of the appropriate regulatory authorities and the conversion of Athens Federal to a commercial bank. The acquisition is expected to be consummated in mid-1991.

Under terms of the letter of intent, the purchase price would be based on a formula reflecting the tangible equity of Athens Federal at closing. If the closing had occurred on Sept. 30, the purchase price would have been approximately $34 million. Because the purchase price will include 100 percent of Athens Federal's earnings retained through May 31, 1991, and 50 percent of earnings from then to closing, the parties currently expect the purchase price would be approximately $36 million. The purchase price would include $20 million in cash with the balance in the form of Synovus common stock, to which restrictions on sales in the public market would apply. Based on its recent stock price, Synovus would issue approximately 1,200,000 shares of common stock. The actual number of shares of Synovus common stock would be based on the average closing price of Synovus for a 20-day measurement period preceding the closing of the purchase. Under the terms of the letter of intent, Athens Federal will be converted to a commercial bank prior to the closing, and increase its loan loss reserve to 1 percent of loans after all identified loan losses have been charged off.

Athens Federal has total assets of $513 million and $424 million in deposits, representing a nearly 35 percent market share of deposits in Athens. Athens Federal has 11 branches, five of which are in Athens and the remainder in surrounding communities. Synovus expects to operate Athens Federal as a full service commercial bank headquartered in Athens.

James H. Blanchard, chairman of the board of Synovus, stated: "We are really excited about this announcement. Athens is a great market and Athens Federal is the dominant bank. They have an outstanding group of employees, management and directors which have produced very healthy operating results by emphasizing sound fundamentals and quality customer service. Athens Federal is a very sound bank and is expected to immediately increase Synovus' earnings per share upon completion of the acquisition."

Synovus is a $2.8 billion-asset, multi-financial services company based in Columbus, Ga. Synovus is composed of 14 Georgia, four Florida and two Alabama banking affiliates, a majority-owned, publicly traded bankcard data processing company, Total System Services Inc. (NYSE: TSS), and a broker/dealer company, Synovus Securities Inc. Synovus recently announced pending acquisitions of Citizens Federal Savings and Loan Association, Rome, Ga.; First Coast Community Bank, Fernandina Beach, Fla.; and Sea Island Bankshares Inc., Statesboro, Ga.

CONTACT: Stephen L. Burts Jr., executive vice president and treasurer, 404-649-2197, or G. Sanders Griffith III, vice president, general counsel and secretary, 404-649-2267, both of Synovus

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#90288p4913 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Orion Pictures Corp. (NYSE: OPC) denied the allegations made by Hemdale Film Corporation as reported this morning in The Wall Street Journal. A spokesperson for Orion stated that "The allegations made by Hemdale, as they have been reported in the news media, are completely without merit and Orion has so notified Hemdale of that fact on repeated occasions. We expect to defend the lawsuit vigorously and successfully. In addition, Orion intends to counter-claim for monies which Hemdale has improperly withheld from the exploitation of certain foreign ancillary rights in 'Platoon,' 'Hoosiers,' 'At Close Range,' and 'Best Seller.'"

CONTACT: Christine La Monte, senior vice president of Orion Pictures, 212-956-3800

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#90288p4914 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Pioneer-Standard Electronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: PIOS) today reported that net income for the second quarter ended Sept. 30 rose to $1,561,000, nearly double the $798,000 of the like period last year. Net income included a break-even contribution from the company's affiliate, Pioneer/Technologies Group, Inc., for the quarter compared with $128,000 for the same period a year ago. Primary earnings per share of 28 cents (26 cents on a fully diluted basis) compared with 15 cents per share (15 cents on a fully diluted basis) for the second quarter of last year.

For the first six months of the current fiscal year, net income amounted to a record $3,967,000, an increase of 89 percent over the $2,096,000 reported a year ago. Net income for the first half included a contribution of $317,000 from Pioneer/Technologies compared with $148,000 for the like period a year ago. Primary earnings per share were 73 cents (67 cents on a fully diluted basis) compared with 39 cents per share (39 cents on a fully diluted basis) for the first half of last year.

Sales for the quarter of $84,350,000 were 14 percent above the $74,140,000 of the prior year's second quarter. Current year first half sales were $168,249,000, 12 percent ahead of the $150,539,000 of the like period last year. Combined sales of Pioneer-Standard and its 50 percent-owned affiliate for the second quarter were $120,527,000, up 9 percent from the $110,225,000 of last year. Combined sales of the two companies for the first six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $246,847,000, up 12 percent from the $221,268,000 of last year. For reporting purposes, sales of Pioneer/Technologies are not consolidated with those of Pioneer-Standard.

Preston Heller Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of the Cleveland-based distributor of industrial electronics components and computer products, said that current year earnings results point to the effectiveness of cost containment "despite a significant commitment to programs to support future sales and profit growth."

Heller said year-to-date sales increases were largely attributable to gains in market share which he attributed to customer service oriented programs such as just-in-time delivery, value-added modification and customization and effective inventory pipelining.

Pioneer-Standard and its affiliate market a broad range of electronic components and computer products through 41 locations and serve most of the nation's major markets.

Sales of Pioneer-Standard Electronics and its 50 percent owned affiliate, Pioneer/Technologies Group, Inc. are not consolidated for reporting purposes. Combined sales of the two organizations are as follows for the second quarter and six months ended Sept. 30:

Combined Sales	1990	1989
SIX MONTHS	$246,847,000	$221,268,000
THREE MONTHS	$120,527,000	$110,225,000

	SIX MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$168,249,000	$150,539,000
Income before income taxes	6,347,000	3,478,000
Provision for income taxes	2,380,000	1,382,000
Net income	$3,967,000	$2,096,000
Inventories	$54,167,000	$55,836,000
Per share data:		
Net income		
Primary	$.73	$.39
Fully diluted	$.67	$.39
Dividends	$.07	$.07
Shareholders' equity	$8.96	$7.69
Average shares outstanding:		

Primary	5,406,995	5,401,932
Fully diluted	6,639,431	6,686,038

	THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$84,350,000	$74,140,000
Income before income taxes	2,575,000	1,281,000
Provision for income taxes	1,014,000	483,000
Net income	$1,561,000	$798,000
Per share data:		
Net income		
Primary	$.28	$.15
Fully diluted	$.26	$.15
Dividends	$.035	$.035

CONTACT: John V. Goodger of Pioneer-Standard Electronics, Inc., 216-587-3600

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#90288p4915 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWPORT NEWS, VA. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Flight International Group, Inc. announced today that it had reached settlements with three more of the lenders who last year brought suit against the company as a result of its default on some $63 million in outstanding loans.

The settlements announced today covered nearly $8.2 million in previously defaulted debt with three creditors: U.S. Concord, Atlantic Leasing and Financial Corp. and Winthrop Resources. The outcome of the negotiations cured the defaults, extended the payment terms of the loans and ended these lawsuits. These settlements bring to more than $17 million the total value of previously defaulted loans restructured by Flight International this month.

"We continue to forge ahead with our plan to restore Flight International to financial health," said J. Nelson Happy, chairman and chief executive. "To date, our program of fiscal responsibility has allowed us to bring current, restructure or pay off more than $27 million of previously defaulted debt owed to 12 lenders.

"We will continue to work with the remaining five lenders in an effort to reach settlements on the debt still in default," Happy said.

The Flight International Group, Inc. is a leader in aviation services with interests in government and military contracts as well as commercial flight operations.

CONTACT: Jeanne Huber of Flight International, 804-886-5605, or Art Gormley of Hill and Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for Flight International

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#90288p4918 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEWTON, MASS. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Greenery Rehabilitation Group, Inc. (NYSE: GRG) today announced that it completed the acquisition of the 120-bed skilled nursing center presently known as Grovecrest Nursing Home, located in Independence Township, Mich., for the previously announced purchase price of $6 million. On February 8, 1990, Greenery Group had announced that it entered into an agreement to acquire Grovecrest, but the closing was delayed until today because of required governmental approvals. Greenery Group intends to convert the facility to a regional intensive head injury rehabilitation program modeled on Greenery's Boston facility.

Greenery Group also announced today that it has entered into an agreement to acquire a 153-bed skilled nursing center in Farmington, Mich., another suburb of Detroit. This facility, which is now known as Oak Hill Care Center, is presently owned by Health and Rehabilitation Properties Trust (NYSE: HRP) and has been managed by Greenery Group since February of 1989 on behalf on HRP. The purchase price of Oak Hill is $3.4 million. The acquisition is subject to various regulatory approvals which are typical in such transactions and is expected to close on or about Dec. 31, 1990 with an effective date of Oct. 1, 1990.

Greenery Group intends to model operations of the Oak Hill facility after its Worcester, Mass. program, which provides restorative and maintenance medical services to complex care cases such as long-term head-injured and neurologically impaired persons. The Oak Hill facility is presently one of very few skilled nursing centers in Michigan licensed to provide long-term care to ventilator dependent patients and Greenery expects that this program will be expanded as part of its business plan for operations.

Greenery Rehabilitation Group, Inc. is headquartered in Newton, Mass. and provides head injury rehabilitation services and skilled nursing services to medically demanding patients in 10 other facilities located in Massachusetts, Connecticut, North Carolina, Maryland, California, Washington State and Texas.

CONTACT: Gerard M. Martin or George M. Ferencik, 617-244-4744

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#90288p4922 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
MOUNT CLEMENS, MICH. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - First National Bank in Macomb County announced today it has introduced two new checking accounts offering members checking and many other special services.

"The residents of Macomb County want and deserve quality financial services," said Harold Allmacher, president and CEO. "They are also very perceptive about getting the most value for their money. We think FNB's Club checking programs will give residents the best value and the most distinctive financial

services available."

"They're better than free," he said.

The FNB Club account is free when the customer maintains a $100 minimum balance -- and customers receive their first order of personalized duplicate checks absolutely free. In addition, they receive $5,000 accidental death insurance as well as unlimited check- writing privileges.

The FNB Club Plus account is an interest-bearing checking account with no minimum balance requirement, free FNB Club Plus checks, unlimited check-writing privileges, $10,000 accidental death insurance, Buyers Advantage(R), and other benefits, all for only a $5 monthly membership fee.

With Buyers Advantage, most new personal items bought using the FNB Club Plus checking account will be automatically protected from theft, loss or damage for the first 90 days. And warranties on almost any new item you buy using this checking account will be automatically extended up to an additional year.

FNB Club and FNB Club Plus members also receive free credit card registration service, emergency cash advance, key ring and registration service, free subscription to Sojourns magazine, natonwide travel discounts, a $5 savings bonus, a free Home Affordability Analysis and other benefits as well.

The accounts can be opened at any First National Bank in Macomb County branch office.

First National Bank in Macomb County was founded in 1926 and is a member of the FDIC. It has 15 locations in Macomb County.

CONTACT: Lynda Thomas of First National Bank, 313-465-2400

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#90288p4923 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Kristin K. Larson has been named director of Community Relations for Pillsbury, effective immediately. She reports to Raymond R. Krause, vice president of Government and Community Affairs of Grand Metropolitan Food Sector, and succeeds Dianne Brennan, who is relocating to Seattle.

Larson will be responsible for managing the GrandMet/Pillsbury Foundation, in addition to other community relations activities.

Larson has over 10 years experience in the non-profit sector. Most recently she was general counsel and director of the Policy and Legal Division of the Minnesota Medical Association. Previously, Larson held senior positions with the Healthcare Education and Research Foundation of Community Hospitals, the

Minnesota Hospital Association, and the Minnesota Association of Homes for the Aging.

Larson has a B.A. from Hamline University, St. Paul, Minn., attended the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, and received a law degree from the University of Minnesota Law School, Minneapolis.

Pillsbury is part of the Food Sector of Grand Metropolitan PLC, a leading international food, drinks and retailing company with annual sales exceeding $15 billion.

CONTACT: Terry Thompson of Pillsbury, 612-330-4768

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#90288p4924 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSING, MICHIGAN (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company will hold a public meeting Oct. 24 at 10 a.m. at the Michigan Library and Historical Center, 711 West Allegan, Lansing, to discuss an Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) it recently filed with the Michigan Public Service Commission.

The IRP outlines ways Consumers Power will meet the state's future electricity needs by considering both supply options (generating or purchasing power) and demand options (encouraging people to reduce electricity requirements or shifting these requirements away from peak periods of usage. This is called load management.) The IRP incorporates traditional conservation programs and other energy-saving initiatives into the broader context of long-term utility planning.

"We're promoting an array of options aimed at wise and productive energy use," said Paul A. Elbert, Consumers Power vice president for marketing, rates and wholesale power transactions. Elbert said the options encourage super-efficient technologies for heating, cooling and lighting homes and powering industries.

"We want our program to provide choices to commercial and industrial customers to sharpen their competitiveness," Elbert said. "Development of load management and conservation methods gives the customer more choices, while encouraging the marketplace as a whole to use energy more wisely," said Elbert.

Consumers Power's IRP was developed by a task force of employees with expertise in market research, marketing and sales, conservation, energy supply planning, electric revenue requirements and rates, energy needs forecasting and financial planning.

Elbert said that for the IRP to work, it is essential that financial incentives similar to those recently adopted in other states be provided so that customers and utilities alike are encouraged to change electric usage

patterns.

"The public meeting will allow our large industrial and commercial customers and other interested individuals to comment on the IRP," Elbert said.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, 517-788-2396

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#90288p4927 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OH (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of The BFGoodrich Company (NYSE: GR) have declared a dividend of 53 cents per share on the common stock. The dividend is payable Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 3, 1990.

Directors also approved regular quarterly dividends on the company's two series of preferred stock: $1.9625 on the $7.85 cumulative preferred stock, Series A; and $.875 on the $3.50 cumulative convertible preferred stock, Series D. The payment and record dates are the same as for the common dividend.

CONTACT: Bev Pierce (media), 216-374-3411, or Tom Waltermire (investor), 216-374-2556, both of The BFGoodrich Company

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#90288p4929 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - VIATA Corp. today announced that it has signed a multi-year contract with Scanning Management Systems Co. to license Scanning Management's passive data collection interfaces to major models of electronic cash registers.

Integrating Scanning Management's technology into the VIATA Power Platform will expand VIATA's ability to deliver fully integrated merchant services available in a single platform. These services include credit card, direct debit and electronic check transaction processing as well as check authorization and electronic marketing.

David Mills, president of VIATA, believes the alliance will be mutually beneficial to VIATA and Scanning Management Systems. "As an operator of electronic marketing systems for retailers, we recognize that Scanning Management's experience in electronic cash register interfaces is unmatched by any other company," he said. "This expansion of VIATA's interface capability will enable our already powerful in-store processing platform to meet the

needs of retailers, regardless of the mix or age of their electronic cash registers."

Robert J. Hammer, executive vice president of Scanning Management Systems Co., agrees. "We anticipate that VIATA will be one of our largest customers in the area of electronic marketing," he said. "We look forward to a long-term and prosperous alliance between Scanning Management and VIATA."

Scanning Management Systems Co. (a division within Dataserv Inc., a BellSouth Company) develops, markets and supports supermarket management systems. The company is one of the industry leaders in the development of hardware and software that interfaces to major point-of-sale systems.

VIATA Corp. is a leading system integrator offering complete off-line and real-time transaction processing services to high volume retail and food service operations.

CONTACT: William N. Alex of Scanning Management Systems Co., 818-712-9700 or David Mills of VIATA Corp., 817-847-2200

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#90288p4931 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Comcast Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: CMCSA) today announced that Donald R. Erickson has been appointed to the position of director of Internal Audit.

In this capacity his responsibilities will involve internal auditing matters and coordination of activities with the company's external auditors.

Prior to joining Comcast, Erickson was the manager of internal audit at SPS Technologies Inc. He was also associated with KPMG Peat Marwick for several years, holding various positions including overseas assignments.

A graduate of Pennsylvania State University with honors, and a certified public accountant, Erickson is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants, National Association of Accountants and the Institute of Internal Auditors.

Comcast Corp. is principally engaged in the development and operation of cable communications systems. The company's consolidated and affiliated operations served more than 2.4 million subscribers at June 30, 1990. This included 784,000 subscribers associated with systems owned by Storer Communications Inc., for which Comcast provides consulting services. In addition, the company provides cellular telephone communications and sound communications services. The Class A common stock and the Class A Special common stock of Comcast Corp. are traded in the over-the-counter market and reported in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbols CMCSA and CMCSK respectively.

CONTACT: John R. Alchin, 215-981-7503, or Marolyn L. Bailey, 215-981-7550, both of Comcast

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#90288p4933 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Lewis C. Veraldi, 60, retired Ford Motor Company vice president of Product and Manufacturing Engineering, died Saturday night (Oct. 13) at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Mich.

Mr. Veraldi helped make automotive history as head of Ford's "Team Taurus" program, which brought together numerous corporate groups, the hourly work force and suppliers at the outset of the program. This system was credited as one of the key ingredients in the highly successful launch of the Ford Taurus and Mercury Sable.

Mr. Veraldi joined Ford's Engineering staff in 1949 and held a number of positions in design, engineering and product development with various U.S. components before moving to Ford of Europe as vice president - Car Engineering in 1973.

He was elected a corporate vice president with responsibility for product development for Ford of Europe in 1975. Later, he held a number of assignments with Ford's North American Automotive Operations, serving successively as vice president in charge of Advanced Vehicles Development, Advanced Vehicle Engineering and Technology, Luxury and Mid-Size Car Engineering and Planning, Luxury and Large Car Engineering and Planning, and Car Programs Management. He headed the Product and Manufacturing Engineering Staff from October 1988 until his retirement Nov. 1, 1989.

Mr. Veraldi was recognized by Automotive Industries magazine as its "Man of the Year" in 1987 and received the Society of Manufacturing Engineers "Eli Whitney Productivity Award" in 1988.

Mr. Veraldi was born July 16, 1930, in Detroit. He held a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Lawrence Institute of Technology.

Mr. Veraldi was a resident of Birmingham, Mich. He is survived by his wife, Irene; four daughters, Marcia, West Bloomfield, Mich.; Lisa (Mrs. Robert Lazar), Nashville, Tenn.; Carla (Mrs. Simon Wilson), Birmingham, England; and Christina, Birmingham, Mich.; two sons, William, Greensboro, N.C., and Joseph, Birmingham, Mich.; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Holy Name Church, Birmingham. Visitation will be at the William R. Hamilton Funeral Home, Birmingham, from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, and from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday.

The family has designated the Michigan Chapter of the American Diabetes Association for memorial contributions.

CONTACT: Tom Foote of Ford, 313-322-9600

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#90288p4935 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Northern Trust Corp. (NASDAQ: NTRS) today reported unaudited net income for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

1990 Third Quarter Core earnings, defined as net income excluding tax benefits related to the 1987 provision for credit losses on LDC loans, totaled a record high of $29.2 million for the third quarter of 1990, up 25 percent from $23.4 million in 1989. Last year's third quarter core earnings included net nonrecurring after-tax charges of $2.7 million.

Net income for 1990 increased 15 percent to $30.4 million from $26.5 million last year. Net income in 1989 was positively impacted by $3.1 million of LDC-related tax benefits versus similar benefits of $1.2 million in 1990. Net income per common share totaled $.81 on a fully diluted basis versus $.70 in 1989. Third quarter net income resulted in a return on average assets (ROA) of 1.02 percent versus .98 percent in 1989. The return on average common equity (ROE) was 20.2 percent compared with 21.9 percent last year. Based on core earnings, the ROA was .98 percent versus .86 percent in 1989 while the ROE was 19.3 percent compared with 19.1 percent a year ago.

David W. Fox, chairman, president and chief executive officer, commenting on the third quarter stated "The strong growth in core earnings reflects record fees in our trust businesses, a gain in net interest income and increased fees from banking-related services. Northern's capital structure continues strong with significant growth in common equity, and asset quality remains good despite definite softening in certain sectors of the domestic economy."

Noninterest income, which accounted for 56 percent of total taxable equivalent revenue, increased 13 percent to $93.7 million from the prior year's $83.3 million. Trust fees, representing 74 percent of total noninterest income and 41 percent of total taxable equivalent revenue, increased 16 percent to $68.9 million from $59.3 million in 1989. The growth in trust revenues reflects increases in both individual and corporate services. Trading account profits totaled $1.7 million versus $2.0 million in 1989. Other operating income totaled $22.8 million, up 7 percent from the $21.5 million reported in 1989. Contributing to the growth in other operating income were cash management fees and stock and futures brokerage commissions. Net gains from sales of investment securities totaled $307,000 in 1990 versus $430,000 in 1989.

Net interest income on a fully taxable equivalent basis increased 6 percent to

$72.5 million from $68.7 million in 1989. The increase in net interest income resulted from a 10 percent increase in average earning assets partially offset by a decline in the net interest margin to 2.77 percent from 2.87 percent last year. The decline in the interest margin in part reflects the cost of funding a higher level of fixed assets, primarily investments in computer technology and the corporation's new operations center.

Gross charge-offs during the quarter totaled $7.9 million including $2.8 million resulting from the sale of $11.1 million of nonperforming assets. After recoveries of $2.1 million, net charge offs totaled $5.8 million, compared with $3.9 million in 1989. The provision for credit losses totaled $4.0 million in 1990, unchanged from last year. The reserve for credit losses of $148.4 million was strong at 2.53 percent of outstanding loans at Sept. 30, 1990 and covered nonperforming assets 2.28 times. Nonperforming assets at Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $64.9 million versus $55.0 million at June 30, 1990 and $46.6 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

Noninterest expenses increased 5 percent to $114.8 million from $109.7 million in 1989. Excluding 1989 nonrecurring expenses, noninterest expenses for 1990 would have been up 9 percent.

The income tax provision totaled $7.8 million in 1990, compared with $1.8 million in 1989. The current year income tax provision reflects a higher level of taxable earnings and LDC-related tax benefits of only $1.2 million versus $3.1 million last year.

1990 First Nine Months Core earnings, which exclude the effect of LDC-related tax benefits, increased 14 percent to $82.0 million from $71.9 million in 1989 which included net nonrecurring after-tax charges of $4.9 million. Including LDC-related tax benefits of $2.8 million in 1990 and $8.9 million in 1989, net income for the current year totaled $84.8 million versus $80.8 million last year. Net income per common share totaled $2.27 on a fully diluted basis, compared with $2.14 a year ago. Net income produced an ROA of .99 percent versus 1.33 percent in 1989. ROE was 19.8 percent compared with 23.3 percent last year. Based on core earnings, the ROA was .96 percent versus .9 percent in 1989 while the ROE was 19.1 percent compared with 20.5 percent for the prior year.

Noninterest income increased 12 percent to $272.0 million from $243.2 million in 1989. Trust revenues totaled $198.7 million, up 15 percent or $25.2 million from a year ago. Profits from trading account activities totaled $5.7 million compared with $6.2 million last year. Other operating income totaled $65.8 million compared with $64.0 million reported a year ago. Investment security transactions during 1990 resulted in net gains of $1.8 million compared with net losses of $542,000 in 1989. Noninterest expenses totaled $341.9 million, an increase of 7 percent over the prior year. Excluding 1989 nonrecurring expenses, noninterest expenses for 1990 would have been up 10 percent.

Net interest income on a fully taxable equivalent basis totaled $211.5 million up 4 percent from last year's $203.4 million. The provision for credit losses totaled $9.0 million, down from $12.0 million a year ago. Net charge-offs totaled $10.7 million compared with $11.9 million last year.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $12.6 billion and averaged $11.5 billion for the first three quarters of 1990, an increase of 10 percent from the 1989 average. Loans and leases totaled $5.9 billion at Sept. 30, 1990 and averaged $5.8 billion for the first nine months, 19 percent higher than the prior year average. Common stockholders' equity (including the conversion of $52.4 million of Series B cumulative preferred stock in December 1989) amounted to $568.9 million, up 25 percent from $456.6 million at Sept. 30, 1989. For the current year, average primary capital to average assets was 6.68 percent versus 6.54 percent last year.

On Oct. 3, 1990 the corporation acquired Heritage Trust Co. in Houston, which has $280 million of trust assets under administration. After the planned merger with The Northern Trust Bank of Texas in Dallas, Heritage will provide a full range of private banking services and enhanced trust services to the Houston market.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Sterling Medical Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: SSYS), announced today that it has accepted the resignation of Dale N. Putnam, Sr. as president and acting chairman of the board of directors. The board further announced that Fred Allman of Dallas has accepted an appointment as a member of the board. Allman has been a key figure involved with Sterling for the past three years, and the healthcare business for the past 25 years. The board expects to appoint other board members, officers and name a CFO in the near future.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Acme-Cleveland Corporation (NYSE: AMT) today announced the election of Paul J. Powers, chairman and chief executive officer of Commercial Intertech Corporation (NASDAQ: CTEK), Youngstown, Ohio, a diversified manufacturer of metal products, hydraulics and fluid purification equipment, as a director of the corporation. Powers was elected by the board of directors to the class of directors whose term expires in January 1991.

Powers has been associated with Commercial Intertech since 1982 when he joined the company as group vice president of hydraulics. In 1984, he was elected president, chief operating officer and a director and in 1987 was elected chairman of the board and chief executive officer. Before joining Commercial Intertech, Powers held various general management positions with Chrysler Corporation, American Standard, and Abex Corporation.

Residing in Canfield, Ohio, Powers holds a bachelors degree in economics from Merrimack College and a masters in business administration from George Washington University. He currently serves as a director of The Dollar Savings & Trust Company, Youngstown, Ohio. In addition, he is a director of the National Association of Manufacturers and The Youngstown Chamber of Commerce.

Acme-Cleveland Corporation manufactures and sells telecommunications products, sensor devices and controls, cutting tools, multi-spindle machine tools, quality assurance products and systems, and related parts and services.

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EAST HAVEN, CONN. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Microtech International today announced the immediate availability of five new memory and mass storage products which extend the capabilities of the Macintosh personal computer, recently introduced by Apple.

In addition to a new 3MB memory expansion module, the "Io-3," which brings total Macintosh Classic memory to four megabytes, Microtech has introduced the "Io-1," a 1MB board which can be further expanded to 1.5 megabytes (through the addition of two 256KB SIMMs) or to three megabytes (using 1MB SIMMs). Like all of the company's memory products, the new Io (TM) modules come with Microtech International's five year limited warranty.(A)

Microtech's new "Europa"(TM) internal drives for the Classic, the 20ic, 50ic and 100ic feature access times as low as 17ms and provide formatted capacities of 20.5, 50.2 and 101.1 megabytes, respectively. All of the new drives employ low profile (third or quarter height) mechanisms as required by the Macintosh Classic's internal design.

"With the addition of our new 'Io' boards and the new internal high performance hard drives, Microtech now offers more than 30 memory/mass storage expansion combinations for the Macintosh Classic," observed Karen Armstrong, Microtech International's executive vice president. "...combinations which provide the greatest possible flexibility to Macintosh Classic users in

configuring systems that fit their specific needs.

"What's more, we have taken special advantage of Microtech's long experience in the high quality memory/mass storage arena to provide products that offer exceptional price performance benefits as well. For a few more dollars the user obtains twice as much memory (4MB), 25 percent more disk space, and a hard drive that is nearly 50 percent faster," Armstrong commented.

"Personal computing is clearly not what it once was. There is an ever growing population of users whose needs are simply not going to be adequately met by a 'plain vanilla' solution. The increased memory requirements of System 7.0 is one very obvious and important consideration. But whether the Classic is employed in a corporate environment, small business, or as an 'office in the home' computer; Microtech's expansion options offer users a range of solutions they can grow with, at prices they can live with," Armstrong concluded.

The Io-1 board is priced at $179 while the Io-3 module costs $299. The Europa 20ic, 50ic, and 100ic have list prices of $409, $599, and $929, respectively, and come with a one year limited warranty.

Microtech International, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of peripherals for Macintosh computers.

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BOCA RATON, FLA. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - First Medical International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HUGE) has executed an agreement in connection with the acquisition of International Distribution Network, Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Ecological Fuels, Inc., both of Boca Raton, for $177,000 in cash and securities. The acquisition is expected to generate earnings before taxes of approximately $400,000 in 1991. The announcement was made by Roberto Riva, CEO of the Boca Raton-based company with medical distribution, services and medical waste disposal interests.

International Distribution Network, Inc. has an extensive network of foreign sales agents in many countries in Central and South America, Europe and the U.S.S.R. This network will be utilized to distribute medical durable equipment, hospital equipment and medical services.

International Distribution Network's subsidiary, Ecological Fuels, Inc., has operated with distribution rights in several Central and South American countries for a fuel additive which generates substantial fleet fuel economy and reduces hydrocarbon emissions. The company is currently negotiating for increased sales of this fuel additive in these countries.

First Medical International, Inc. (formerly known as Humagen) recently completed the acquisition of Cardio Scan, Inc., a company engaged in EKG and EEG testing for physicians using the 24-hour Holter Monitor System. Also recently acquired is the Lansing, Michigan-based company, MedTex International Inc., supplier of a proprietary medical waste disposal system (MedWaste) used by physicians, dentists, laboratories, clinics and hospitals.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Global Marine Inc. (NYSE: GLM) today reported a net loss of $7 million, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $71 million for the third quarter, which ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the corresponding quarter in 1989, the company reported a net loss of $11 million, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $49 million.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $32 million, or $0.32 per share, on revenues of $199 million. For the comparable nine-month period of 1989, the net loss was $47 million, or $0.47 per share, on revenues of $125 million.

Commenting on the quarter's results, C. Russell Luigs, chairman, president and chief executive officer said, "Global Marine's performance continues to improve with strengthening offshore drilling markets worldwide. While the industry utilization rate remains at about 80 percent as of Sept. 30, 1990, relatively unchanged from June 30, 1990, dayrates for premium equipment continue to rise in the North Sea, West Africa, and the Gulf of Mexico. Twenty-five of the company's 27 rigs are currently under contract. Based on contracted backlog, we expect results for the fourth quarter of 1990 to be close to breakeven."

Global Marine is a major international offshore drilling contractor with interests in oil and gas exploration and production.

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ARUBA, DUTCH CARIBBEAN (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Divi Hotels N.V. (AMEX: DVH) today announced a loss for the year ended April 30, 1990 of $45,017,996, or $8 per share, compared with a loss last year of $11,455,382, or $2.13 per share.

The loss before property transactions for the year ended April 30, 1990, was $25,012,996. The increase in this loss from the prior year was due primarily

to the sale of the company's two Aruban hotels in September 1989, the effects of Hurricane Hugo in St. Maarten and St. Croix, the inability to complete construction on presold timeshare units, principally in Aruba, and a general industry slowdown throughout the Caribbean. The company also recorded a loss of $22,425,000 on the writedown of operating properties to net realizable value offset by the partial gain of $2,420,000 on the sale of the two Aruban properties.

Per-share data for the year is based on 5,627,464 weighted average number of common shares outstanding on April 30, 1990, compared with 5,384,329 weighted average number of common shares outstanding on April 30, 1989.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Loewen Group Inc. (NASDAQ: LWNGF; Toronto: LWN), of Burnaby, British Columbia, announced today that it has completed the purchase of all the shares of Paragon Family Services, Inc., of Houston, Texas, under a previously announced agreement. The cost of the share purchase was (U.S.) $65.5 million.

The completion of this agreement is a significant step in The Loewen Group's ongoing program of consolidation of well-managed funeral home operations throughout North America.

"This move represents another milestone in our corporate development," said Ray Loewen, president and CEO of The Loewen Group Inc. "It is not only a confirmation of the strength of our growth program, but is also an indication of the effectiveness of our management team, as exemplified in the disciplined approach with respect to the negotiation, due diligence and closing of the transaction. We look forward to Paragon making a significant contribution both operationally and financially."

Paragon is a well-respected funeral service company operating in the United States. It owns and operates 49 funeral homes, primarily in the south central United States, and has pending agreements to purchase another eight funeral home locations. Those purchases are included in the agreement with The Loewen Group Inc.

The geographic locations of Paragon's funeral homes complement the company's existing locations in the United States, being for the most part in regions where The Loewen Group Inc., to date, either does not operate or has not had a strong presence.

Paragon employs approximately 185 people, all of whom will remain in place.

The three senior officers of Paragon have become executives of The Loewen Group Inc. Between them, John T. Turner, Ronald R. Hamlin and F. Duane Schaefer have a combined 63 years experience in the funeral service industry.

The Loewen Group Inc. is the largest funeral service corporation in Canada and the second largest in North America. Its shares are listed on both the Toronto Stock Exchange and NASDAQ. With the inclusion of Paragon Family Services Inc., the company now owns and operates 262 funeral homes, 20 cemeteries and 11 crematoria, and employs approximately 2,000 people.

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NEWTON, MA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Health and Rehabilitation Properties Trust (NYSE: HRP) today announced its earnings for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as follows (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues:				
Rent and mortgage interest	$7,700	$5,906	$22,592	$16,709
Operating revenues	900	---	2,225	---
Total revenues	8,600	5,906	24,817	16,709
Expenses:				
Investment expenses	4,039	4,055	11,911	11,035
Operating expenses	1,115	---	2,460	---
Total	5,154	4,055	14,371	11,035
Net income	$3,446	$1,851	$10,446	$5,674
Net income per share	22 cents	19 cents	65 cents	57 cents
Average shares outstanding (000's)	15,998	9,998	15,998	9,998

David J. Hegarty, treasurer of HRP, stated that cash flow available for distribution, rather than earnings, is often considered a better index of the performance of a real estate investment trust. In the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, HRP's cash flow available for distribution as dividends was 30 cents per share compared to 31 cents per share in the comparable period in 1989. A dividend of 29 cents per share was declared for both periods.

Simultaneously with announcing the earnings results, Hegarty stated that HRP had entered into an agreement to sell the Oak Hill facility to Greenery Rehabilitation Group, Inc. (NYSE: GRG) for $3.4 million. HRP acquired this facility in February 1990 for $2.704 million and has since invested between $.6 - $.7 million to fund capital improvements and to pay turn-around losses. Because some of this investment was expensed, HRP expects to report a gain on

the sale transaction of between $200,000 to $300,000. In the past few weeks HRP had several discussions regarding a sale or lease of the Oak Hill facility as the time for redemption after a foreclosure sale under Michigan law drew to a close, and the Independent Trustees of HRP determined to sell the facility when Greenery Group made a cash offer at the facility's appraised value.

The sale of Oak Hill is subject to certain regulatory approvals which are customary in sales of health care facilities and is expected to close on or about Dec. 31, 1990.

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AKRON, OHIO (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Telxon Corporation (NASDAQ/NMS: TLXN) today reported net income of $4.7 million, or $.35 per share, for its second quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 30, 1990. That compares with a net loss of $4.0 million, or $.30 per share, for the same period a year ago. Income after tax and before extraordinary items for the fiscal 1991 second quarter was $3.0 million, or $.23 per share.

Revenue for the second quarter was $45.2 million, an increase of 28 percent over $35.4 million for the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

Results for the fiscal 1991 second quarter included an extraordinary after-tax gain of $1.4 million, or $.10 per share, as a result of the company's September 1990 purchases of $9 million of its subordinated convertible debentures and an extraordinary credit of $225,000, or $.02 per share, from the utilization of tax carryforwards.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, Telxon reported net income of $8.4 million, or $.63 per share, on revenue of $85.4 million. This includes extraordinary after-tax gains of $3.5 million, or $.26 per share, as a result of the repurchase of its convertible debentures and $355,000, or $.03 per share, from the utilization of tax carryforwards. That compares with a loss of $3.4 million, or $.26 per share, on revenue of $70.7 million for the same period a year ago.

Average shares outstanding for the second quarter and first half of fiscal 1991 were 13.4 million and 13.3 million, respectively.

"We are continuing to make progress with our programs to improve profit margins and reduce costs," said Raymond D. Meyo, Telxon president and chief executive officer. "Demand for our new products is solid, and our order backlog continues to be strong.

"The company's cash position is strong, with almost $50 million at Sept. 30, 1990, despite our significant investment in the first half of the fiscal year for the repurchase of approximately $19 million face amount of convertible subordinated debentures," he said.

Meyo estimated that Telxon's revenue for the fiscal 1991 third quarter will be in excess of $42 million and earnings per share from operations will be in excess of $.20 for the quarter. He also confirmed estimates of fiscal 1991 revenue in the $170 million to $175 million range, and earnings per share from operations for the year in the $.75 to $.80 range, excluding the extraordinary gains discussed earlier.

Telxon PTCs gather, process and store on-site real-time data which is communicated to a host computer. These systems incorporate the company's proprietary operating and applications software, associated peripheral equipment and communications devices.

Telxon's executive and engineering offices are located in Akron, Ohio; it has a manufacturing facility in Houston; and customers are served by 41 sales and service offices worldwide.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
(In thousands, except per share data)

	September 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
ASSETS	(Unaudited)	
Current assets:		
Cash and short-term investments	$ 49,804	$ 55,543
Accounts receivable, net	34,141	31,180
Notes and other accounts receivable	3,892	2,823
Refundable income taxes	331	9,830
Inventories	35,712	34,777
Prepaid expenses and other	7,919	5,440
Total current assets	131,799	139,593
Property and equipment, net	17,791	18,486
Intangible and other assets, net	6,942	8,740
Total	$156,532	$166,819
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Notes payable	$ 956	$ 1,477
Convertible subordinated debentures	2,100	10,119
Accounts payable	8,776	10,551
Capital lease obligations due within one year	529	631

Income taxes payable	3,340	593
Accrued liabilities	18,753	20,162
Total current liabilities	34,454	43,533
Capital lease obligations	369	585
Convertible subordinated debentures	24,816	35,881
Other long-term liabilities	3,385	3,386
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred Stock, $1.00 par value per share; 500,000 shares authorized, none outstanding	--	--
Common Stock, $.01 par value per share; 50,000,000 shares authorized, 13,239,268 and 13,228,804 shares outstanding	133	132
Additional paid-in capital	43,846	43,761
Retained earnings	47,388	38,999
Equity adjustment for foreign currency translation	2,141	542
Total stockholders' equity	93,508	83,434
Total	$156,532	$166,819

Telxon Corporation and Subsidiaries

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME - Unaudited

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended September 30, 1990	1989
Revenue:		
Product revenue	$ 37,471	$ 28,849
Field service	7,713	6,505
Total revenue	45,184	35,354
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of product revenue	19,495	20,344
Cost of field service	4,399	4,633
Selling expenses	8,393	10,451
Product development & engineering expenses	2,618	2,786
General and administrative expenses	5,778	4,735
Total	40,683	41,491
Income (loss) from operations	4,501	(7,595)

Interest income	1,086	882
Interest expense	(709)	(1,006)
Income (loss) before income taxes and extraordinary item	4,878	(7,719)
Provision for income taxes	1,835	(3,690)
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	3,043	(4,029)
Extraordinary item -		
Income tax effect of net operating loss carryover utilized	225	37
Gain from early extinguishment of debt, net of taxes	1,389	--
Net income (loss)	$ 4,657	$ (3,992)
Earnings per common and common equivalent share:		
Income before extraordinary item	$.23	($.30)
Net operating loss utilization	.02	--
Gain from early extinguishment of debt	.10	--
Net income (loss)	$.35	($.30)
Average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	13,377	13,226

Telxon Corporation and Subsidiaries

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME - Unaudited

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Six Months ended September 30, 1990	1989
Revenue:		
Product revenue	$ 70,427	$ 57,712
Field service	14,981	12,949
Total revenue	85,408	70,661
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of product revenue	37,815	37,190
Cost of field service	9,073	8,404
Selling expenses	16,137	18,498
Product development & engineering expenses	5,119	5,312
General and administrative expenses	10,616	8,030
Total	78,760	77,434
Income (loss) from operations	6,648	(6,773)

Interest income	2,056	1,832
Interest expense	(1,490)	(1,975)
Income (loss) before income taxes and extraordinary item	7,214	(6,916)
Provision for income taxes	2,705	(3,389)
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	4,509	(3,527)
Extraordinary item -		
Income tax effect of net operating loss carryover utilized	355	92
Gain from early extinguishment of debt, net of taxes	3,525	--
Net income (loss)	$ 8,389	$ (3,435)
Earnings per common and common equivalent share:		
Income before extraordinary item	$.34	($.27)
Net operating loss utilization	.03	.01
Gain from early extinguishment of debt	.26	--
Net income (loss)	$.63	($.26)
Average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	13,343	13,222

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AKRON, OHIO (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Telxon Corporation (NASDAQ/NMS: TLXN) announced today that it has purchased, in open market transactions at substantial discounts, an additional aggregate of $2.9 million face amount of its 7-1/2 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2012. The purchase was part of the bond buyback program announced Sept. 13.

In the fiscal year to date, the company has purchased a total of $21.2 million face amount of the bonds, leaving approximately $25 million face amount outstanding.

Extraordinary after-tax gains of approximately $.10 per share in the fiscal

1991 second quarter and $.26 per share in the fiscal 1991 first half were recorded as a result of the bond purchase. The company estimates an additional gain of approximately $.03 per share in the fiscal 1991 third quarter from the purchase.

The company was assisted by First Boston Corporation, New York, and McDonald & Company Securities Inc., Cleveland.

Telxon portable tele-transaction computers gather, process and store on-site, real-time data which is communicated to a host computer. These systems incorporate the company's proprietary operating and applications software, associated peripheral equipment and communications devices.

Telxon's executive and engineering offices are located in Akron, Ohio, and its manufacturing facility is in Houston. Telxon customers are served by 41 sales and service offices worldwide.

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WARMINSTER, Pa. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Fischer & Porter Co. (AMEX: FP) announced today that Dr. Ram Charan has resigned as a director of Fischer & Porter Co.

Charan resigned because his other professional commitments no longer permit him to devote sufficient time to Fischer & Porter Co., the company said. The resulting vacancy is expected to be filled by the board of the company.

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OAK BROOK, Ill. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Signal Corporation (NYSE: FSS) reported strong third quarter earnings from continuing operations of $.48 per share, 30 percent higher than 1989's third quarter, reflecting a continuation of the positive operating trends of its businesses.

Income from continuing operations of $7.4 million rose 29 percent over 1989's third quarter of $5.7 million. Sales increased 11 percent to $109.2 million in 1990's third quarter compared to $98.5 million in 1989. Incoming orders increased 4 percent while backlogs of $186.7 million at Sept. 30, 1990 were 19 percent higher than a year earlier.

Sales for the first nine months of 1990 of $328.7 million increased 11 percent over $295.7 million in the year earlier period. Income from continuing

operations of $20.5 million was 26 percent above the same period a year ago. Income per share from continuing operations of $1.33 increased 27 percent over the $1.05 reported for the first nine months of 1989. Net income per share for the first nine months of 1990 included a $.15 per share gain on the sale of Autocall during the second quarter and $.01 per share of operating income earned in the first quarter by this divested unit.

Three of the company's four operating groups achieved significant sales and earnings increases in the third quarter over the prior year.

Earnings for the Vehicle Group increased 47 percent over last year's third quarter on a 22 percent increase in sales. Operating margins, again, were significantly improved at both Emergency One and Elgin Sweeper over last year's third quarter, reflecting the increased sales and greater operating efficiencies. Both units posted sales increases of over 20 percent. Both units' new business also increased about 17 percent, excluding the effect of $5.5 million funding of the U.S. Air Force's Crash/Fire/Rescue vehicle contract in 1989's third quarter.

Sales and earnings for the Signal Group rose 11 percent and 12 percent, respectively, over 1989's third quarter. The Signal Products Division continued to achieve higher operating margins while continuing to invest in new product development. Federal APD booked several orders for large systems installations during the quarter, positioning the unit for strong earnings performance.

Sign Group sales declined 13 percent while earnings fell 70 percent. Slower commercial construction activity and a weakening general economy have resulted in lower order activity and increased price competition. Additionally, the group's earnings suffered from significantly greater than expected installation costs incurred this quarter related to a major project. This overrun resulted from the unique requirements of the installation of this sign. Despite this project's cost overrun in the third quarter, the overall profitability of the project was satisfactory due to the profits on this project recorded in the prior three quarters. While the Sign Group has continued to achieve significant operating expense reductions and will continue to do so, these efforts were more than offset by the effects of lower sales volume and nonrecurring costs related to the previously mentioned project. Management of the company anticipates that the Sign Group will continue to feel the effects of adverse market conditions through at least the balance of 1990.

The Tool Group achieved a 10 percent increase in sales and a 22 percent increase in profits this quarter over the third quarter of last year. The group benefited from a 19 percent increase in international sales while domestic sales also increased by 8 percent, somewhat more than anticipated at the end of last quarter in light of the slow to no-growth domestic industrial economy.

Josep J. Ross, chairman, president and chief executive officer, stated, "The strong performances achieved by the Signal, Vehicle and Tool groups continue to provide excellent momentum toward record sales and earnings for 1990, despite the continuing lower earnings of the Sign Group and the general slowing of the economy."

Federal Signal Corporation, is a manufacturer and a worldwide supplier of public safety, signaling and communications equipment, fire trucks, emergency and street sweeping vehicles, parking control equipment, custom on premise signage, carbide cutting tools, precision punches and related die components.

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PLYMOUTH, MINN. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Helix BioCore, Inc. announced today that its common stock has been approved for listing on the NASDAQ/National Market System. Helix BioCore's common stock will begin trading on the National Market System on Oct. 16, 1990, under the symbol HLIX.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - World Satellite Network, Inc. announced today that Dennis J. Mahoney has resigned as president to pursue other interests and Jeffrey G. Maxwell became president. Mahoney was one of the founders of the company. It was with reluctance that his resignation was accepted and he will be missed within the company. Mahoney has agreed that he will not be doing business within the satellite cable industry. Mahoney will remain a director of the company.

Prior to being named president, Maxwell served as vice president of marketing for the company where he developed and enhanced the company's satellite TV programming services. The company's revenues from programming services have shown consistent growth for the past four years.

The company expects to report revenues of approximately $2,400,000 for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990, with a loss from operations. The company's revenues were generated almost exclusively from satellite programming service. The company believes that substantially all of the company's losses occured as a result of losses incurred by the company's subsidiary, All Media, Inc. Since the company believes that All Media, Inc.'s losses will be dramatically reduced.

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DALLAS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB Mortgage Corp. today more than tripled its size by completing the purchase of Fundamental Mortgage Corp.'s mortgage servicing agreements.

As previously announced, NCNB Mortgage Corp. entered into a letter of intent with Dallas-based Fundamental to purchase Fundamental's mortgage servicing agreements, which have an outstanding principal balance of up to $9.5 billion.

The acquisition gives NCNB Mortgage more than $15 billion in mortgage servicing agreements, making it one of the 15 largest mortgage companies in the nation.

NCNB Mortgage also purchased Fundamental's approximately 260-employee loan servicing facility in Louisville, Ky.

In addition, NCNB Mortgage has loan servicing centers in Charlotte, N.C., and Lubbock, Texas. Fundamental was a subsidiary of Houston-based San Jacinto Savings Association.

The acquisition of the Fundamental Mortgage assets is consistent with NCNB Mortgage's long-term strategy for growth, said Christopher T. Gilson, chairman of NCNB Mortgage.

"Today we have realized an important goal of ours, which is to expand our customer base from a regional to a national level," Gilson said. "In reaching that goal, we feel we have strengthened our ability to increase loan originations in NCNB banking markets.

"And in buying an on-going loan servicing business, we are excited about both its capabilities and the addition of its experienced employees to the NCNB team," Gilson continued.

NCNB Mortgage is an affiliate of NCNB Corp. (NYSE: NCB), the seventh-largest bank holding company in the country with more than $60 billion in assets and more than 900 branches in seven states.

CONTACT: Chris Spencer of NCNB Texas, 214-508-0639 (business hours) or 214-520-3561 (non-business hours).

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to an inquiry by the New York Stock Exchange, a spokesman for NACCO Industries (NYSE: NC) stated: "The company is unaware of any corporate development or activity that would account

for the sharp decline in the price of its Class A common stock."

On Thursday, Oct. 11, 1990, the company announced that its subsidiary, Proctor-Silex, Inc., had completed a merger with Hamilton Beach Inc. NACCO Industries now owns 80 percent of the combined business.

NACCO Industries is a holding company that has three major operating subsidiaries. Hyster-Yale Materials Handling, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets forklift trucks and related service parts under the Hyster and Yale trade names. The North American Coal Corporation mines and markets lignite coal for use primarily as fuel in power generation by electric utilities. Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of small electric appliances.

CONTACT: John R. Cook, senior vice president-finance and adminstration and chief financial officer of NACCO Industries, 216-752-1000

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#90288p4982 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, CO (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - U S WEST (NYSE: USW) and its partner, the Hungarian Telecommunications Co., began operating the first cellular telephone system in Eastern Europe when service was turned on in Budapest, Hungary today. The system is operational three months ahead of its scheduled start date.

Ron Sanders, who lead the operating team that cut over U S WEST's first commercial cellular system in the Twin Cities in 1984, is co-managing director of the new Hungarian system known as WesTel Radiotelefon Ltd.

In ceremonies today in Budapest, Peter Akos Bod, Hungary's minister of commerce and industry, made the first cellular telephone call on the WesTel system to Vice President Dan Quayle in Washington.

WesTel developed and will manage the system. It is a joint venture between U S WEST and the Hungarian Telecommunications Co. WesTel is initially offering service to 3,000 Budapest customers and will add capacity for another 3,000 by February 1991. Plans call for expansion to Miskoloz, the Lake Balaton region, and the main corridor highway between Budapest and Vienna, Austria through Gyor-Sopron by the end of 1993.

A variety of mobile and transportable cellular phones manufactured by Motorola and Ericsson are available for purchase in Hungary. The cellular network is a Nordic 450 system manufactured by Ericsson.

U S WEST Chairman Jack MacAllister attended the ceremonies in Budapest and said: "U S WEST is extremely proud to join the Hungarian Telecommunications

Company in taking the first major step in forging a new era in communications between East and West by providing this important complement to the nation's telecommunications system. Together we have formed a new company, WesTel, that signifies our efforts to bring Western-style technology to Eastern Europe."

The significance of this new network in Hungary is great, according to Jozsef Pete, the Hungarian co-managing director of WesTel.

"Hungary has been examining the possibility of cellular telephone service since early discussions with U S WEST in 1986," Pete explained. "The start of this service on 450 megahertz (MHz) is a milestone, putting Hungary far ahead of any other Eastern European country. It will provide immediate communications relief to several thousand residents and businesses which might otherwise wait up to 10 years for any telephone service."

Sanders added, "The marriage of U S WEST experience with the dedicated efforts of Hungarian employees allowed WesTel to begin offering service three months ahead of schedule."

The Hungarian Telecommunications Co. is responsible for landline telephone service in Hungary. It has approximately one million customers.

CONTACT: Rebecca Herbst of U S WEST Spectrum Enterprises, 303-649-4658

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - M.A. Hanna Company (NYSE/MSE: MAH) has announced a tentative agreement to acquire Fiberchem Inc., a leading regional distributor of thermoplastic and thermoset resins headquartered in Seattle. Terms of the agreement, which is subject to approval by Hanna's board of directors and other conditions, were not disclosed.

"This acquisition furthers Hanna's objective to be a leading resin distributor in North America," said Hanna Chairman Martin D. Walker, upon announcing the agreement. "We are pleased to be associated with a company with such high quality management and a fine reputation in the marketplace."

Established in 1955, Fiberchem serves customers from nine distribution centers located in the Western United States. The company employs 105 and has annual sales of over $70 million. Don Leutdhold, founder and president, will continue to manage the company.

M.A. Hanna Company is a leading international formulated polymers company with interests in natural resources.

CONTACT: Margot A. Klima of M.A. Hanna, 216-589-4018

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NEW BEDFORD, MASS. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Aerovox Incorporated (NASDAQ: ARVX) reported third-quarter earnings of $171,000, or 3 cents per share, on sales of $11,131,0000. Earnings for the same period in 1989 were $437,000, or 9 cents per share, on sales of $15,633,000. Incoming orders during the quarter dropped 30 percent from the same period in 1989. For the first nine months, earnings were $1,247,000 vs. $2,858,000 a year ago, a decline of approximately 56 percent. During the same period, sales were $45,529,000 vs. $58,515,000 in 1989, a decline of approximately 22 percent.

Reduced demand for air conditioning units due to a cool summer in the Northeast and upper Midwest, a downturn in the fluorescent and high-intensity discharge lighting markets resulting from a lack of construction, and significantly reduced demand for microwave ovens were cited as the factors negatively impacting the company's OEM markets.

The company also reported that the first AeroMet II assembly machine, although two months late, is now on site. However, production will be delayed until year end while various material alternatives, both plastic and aluminum, are investigated to insure that the automation project achieves optimum cost reductions. Skyrocketing petroleum prices have prompted the company to consider those alternative materials.

Although business conditions are not expected to improve, increased shipments of DC Film capacitors coupled with growing sales in the now profitable filter line are expected to result in improved earnings in the fourth quarter.

Aerovox is a leading manufacturer of AC and Power DC capacitors, basic electrical components that store electrical energy and regulate the frequency, timing, and condition of electrical signals.

The company's common stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol "ARVX."

AEROVOX INCORPORATED

Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Income

(Amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	Quarters Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/29/90	9/30/89	9/29/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$11,131	$15,633	$45,529	$58,515
Cost of sales	9,306	12,855	37,273	47,246
Gross profit	1,825	2,778	8,256	11,269
Selling, general & administrive expenses	1,590	2,179	6,411	6,795
Income from operations	235	599	1,845	4,474

Other income (expense):				
Interest expense	(132)	(132)	(386)	(386)
Other income	187	246	660	676
Income before income taxes	290	713	2,119	4,764
Provision for income taxes	119	276	872	1,906
Net income	$171	$437	$1,247	$2,858
Net income per share	3 cents	9 cents	24 cents	56 cents

AEROVOX INCORPORATED

Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Amounts in thousands)

At Sept. 29, 1990

ASSETS	(Unaudited)
Current Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	$3,398
Accounts receivable, net	5,992
Inventories	5,262
Prepaid expenses	1,867
Deferred income taxes	1,464
Total current assets	$17,983
Property, Plant & Equipment:	
Net of accumulated depreciation	22,647
Other assets	1,212
Total Assets	$41,842
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	$2,492
Accrued expenses	2,792
Accrued litigation settlement	3,500
Total current liabilities	8,784
Deferred income taxes	2,032
Industrial revenue bond	4,050
Accrued litigation settlement	3,000
Stockholders' Equity:	
Common stock	5,096
Additional paid-in capital	2
Retained earnings	18,854
Foreign currency translation adjustment	24
Total stockholders' equity	23,976
Total liabilities & stockholder's equity	$41,842

CONTACT: Mary Mandeville of Aerovox, Inc., 508-994-9661

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PONTIAC, MI (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - First Federal Bancorp, Inc. (FFB) (AMEX: FFS), the holding company for First Federal Savings Bank & Trust (FFSBT), reported a net income of $294,000, or $0.08 per share for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $39,000, or $0.01 per share for the first

quarter of the prior year.

The announcement was made by Leo D. Ottoni, president and CEO of FFB and FFSBT. FFB is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol FFS.

For the first quarter of fiscal 1990, compared to the first quarter of last year, net interest income was reduced $1.1 million to $5.4 million and general and administrative expenses were also reduced $1.0 million to $6.4 million. These reductions resulted from the significant downsizing of the company during the past year.

General and administrative expenses have been reduced primarily through staff reductions, branch consolidations and a general emphasis on improved operating efficiencies.

Current quarter earnings were also aided by the reduction of goodwill expense which was $346,000 for the quarter compared to $544,000 for the same quarter last year. This reduced expense resulted from the restructuring charges which FFB incurred in the prior fiscal year, when all the remaining goodwill recorded in the acquisition of Citizens Federal Savings Bank (CFSB) in Jacksonville, Fla., was written off.

Primarily all of the current quarter earnings were from operations and FFB is continuing its focus on these operations for additional improvements.

In response to its business plan, assets of FFB were reduced to $1.2 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, from $1.3 billion at June 30, 1990, and $1.5 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. The primary asset reduction has occurred in the commercial real estate and business loan portfolio which totaled $195 million at Sept. 30 1990, compared to $307 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Total loan loss reserves on this portfolio were $15 million or 7.7 percent at quarter end.

FFSBT continued its branch streamlining during the quarter as two additional branches were consolidated, which reduces the branch network to 26.

FFSBT, headquartered in Pontiac, is the fifth-largest thrift institution in Michigan. FFSBT employs approximately 400 people. CFSB has four branches in Jacksonville.

FFSBT and CFSB are members of the Federal Home Loan Bank System. Their deposits are insured through the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

CONTACT: David A. Jablonski of Bassett & Bassett, Inc., 313-567-4150, for First Federal Bancorp, Inc.

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GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Old Kent Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: OKEN) today declared an increase in the regular quarterly dividend to $.29 per share on the corporation's common stock. The dividend is payable Dec. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 16, 1990.

This dividend increase is the 18th consecutive annual increase since the holding company was organized in 1972, and represents a 9.4-percent increase over the prior rate of $.26-1/2. On an annual basis, the new rate represents $1.16 per share compared to the prior rate of $1.06 per share.

Old Kent Financial Corporation is a bank holding company headquartered in Grand Rapids, with 17 affiliate banks and 185 banking offices throughout Michigan, and four banks with 12 banking offices in Illinois. Old Kent reported total assets of $8.2 billion at Sept. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Martin J. Allen Jr. of Old Kent Financial Corporation, 616-771-5440

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#90288p4993 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMSBURY, NJ (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Wedco Technology Inc. (AMEX: WED) President and Chairman William E. Willoughby today announced that the company is holding discussions with investment bankers with a view toward retaining one to explore various future financing alternatives.

These alternatives may include obtaining a major outside investment in the company, a joint venture, the sale of all or a portion of the company to third parties, a management group buyout, or other alternatives that may be suggested.

CONTACT: Dudley M. Harman, vice president, or Nicholas Ruitenberg, chief financial offer of Wedco Technology, 201-479-4181

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#90288p4994 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - BP America announced today a grant of $31,150 to the Ohio Public Radio and Television Stations (OPRTS) for the state-wide broadcast of its Election 1990 programs, including the 1990 Ohio Gubernatorial Television Debate.

Anthony Celebrezze and George Voinovich, candidates in the upcoming election for governor, have accepted the invitation of OPRTS for a live debate on Oct. 17, 7-8 p.m., to be broadcast by public television and radio stations throughout Ohio. The format for the debate will include statements by the candidates, questions by political reporters from around the state, and direct interaction between Celebrezze and Voinovich.

"We are pleased to provide our support for this event," said James H. Ross, BP America president and chief executive officer. "We believe that the debate will be a valuable source of information for an important choice that the voters of the state will make on Nov. 6."

The hour-long special will be produced by the OPRTS Statehouse News Bureau in conjunction with the Greater Dayton Public Television at its TeleCenter in Dayton. George Zimmerman, OPRTS Statehouse News Bureau's executive producer, will moderate the debate. Additional rebroadcasts of the debate in the following week will be at the discretion of the individual television and radio stations.

"The grant to OPRTS is an extension of our involvement with public radio and television in Ohio and around the nation," said Lance C. Buhl, BP America's director, corporate contributions. "They are important community resources."

In addition to the grant for the debate, during 1990 the company will provide over $100,000 to public radio and television, including $48,000 in matching gifts generated by BP America employees.

CONTACT: Vivian Davis of BP America, 216-586-3794

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DALLAS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Clini-Therm Corp. (Clini-Therm) (NASDAQ: CLIN, PSE:CLI) announced that it has entered into loan and other agreements with Quest Medical Inc. (Quest) of Dallas under which Quest has agreed to lend to Clini-Therm $320,000 secured by a pledge of all of Clini-Therm's assets in favor of Quest, and has been granted an option to participate in a further financial restructuring of Clini- Therm through a cooperative bankruptcy reorganization of Clini-Therm upon completion by Quest of a due diligence review currently anticipated to be completed on or about Oct. 26, 1990. Clini-Therm will provide further information at the time Quest reaches its decision whether to participate in the financial restructuring of Clini-Therm.

Dallas-based Clini-Therm is a developer, manufacturer and marketer of FDA-approved high-technology hyperthermia equipment for the heat-treatment of cancer and other disorders.

CONTACT: John W. Jenkins of Clini-Therm, 214-669-2707; or Larry Howell of Howell Communications Inc., 214-340-9994, for Clini-Therm

-30- 1252

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COLUMBUS, GA. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of American

Family Corp. (NYSE: AFL) announced today that it has filed a request with the Securities and Exchange Commission for an exemption from Rule 10b-6 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to allow American Family Corp. to purchase its stock in the open market.

This exemption would allow American Family Corp. to purchase the company's common shares when management deems that favorable market conditions exist. Chief Executive Officer Dan Amos stated, "I believe that it is in the best interest of out stockholders and American Family to purchase shares under certain market conditions." Amos added, "We are confident that our 1990 financial results will be the best in the company's history and believe we will exceed our corporate goals in 1991."

American Family Corp. is an international holding company. Through its principal subsidiary, AFLAC, the company is one of the world's leading underwriters of supplemental health insurance. AFLAC's primary markets are the United States and Japan. The company also owns seven network-affiliated television stations and Communicorp, a printing company.

CONTACT: R. Lee Anderson II, senior vice president, or Kenneth S. Janke Jr., vice president, of American Family, 404-596-3264 or 800-235-2667 (outside Georgia)

-30- 1519

#90288p5005 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENSBORO, N.C. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Fieldcrest Cannon, Inc. (NYSE: FLD) today announced the election of Director James M. Fitzgibbons of Brookline, Mass., to the positions of chairman and chief executive officer. Fitzgibbons will assume his duties immediately.

Fitzgibbons is currently serving as president and chief operating officer of Amoskeag Company, in Boston, positions he will retain. Amoskeag has majority voting control of Fieldcrest Cannon, Inc. common stock. Fitzgibbons became president of Amoskeag in March 1987, after having served as executive vice president from Jan. 1, 1986 and chief operating officer from September 1986. Fitzgibbons is also chairman of the executive committee and chief executive officer of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company and serves as chairman and chief executive officer of the Arthur T. Walker Estate Corporation, a privately held energy and transportation company in Western Pennsylvania.

Previously, Fitzgibbons had been president and a director of Howes Leather Company, Inc., which manufactures sole leather for the shoe industry. He is also a trustee of the Boston Company Fund, which provides a variety of investment services through a series of mutual funds, a director of Lumber Mutual Insurance Company, and a director of Barrett Resources Corporation, which is a Denver-based oil and gas exploration company.

Privately, Fitzgibbons is president of the board of trustees of Milton Academy.

The election of Fitzgibbons to chairman and chief executive officer allows Joseph B. Ely, II to take a long-planned retirement from these positions. He will remain as chairman and chief executive officer of Amoskeag and as a director of Fieldcrest Cannon, Inc. Ely is also treasurer of Dumaines, a private trust which owns majority control of Amoskeag Company common stock. He will also remain as chairman of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad and a director of the Arthur T. Walker Estate Corporation.

Charles G. Horn, president and chief operating officer of Fieldcrest Cannon, Inc., will remain in those positions reporting to Fitzgibbons. Horn is also a director of Fieldcrest Cannon, Inc., Amoskeag Company, and Arthur T. Walker Estate Corporation.

Fieldcrest Cannon, Inc. manufactures and markets bed and bath textile products under the Fieldcrest, Cannon, St. Marys, Royal Family, Monticello, and private brand labels. Its carpet and rug division manufactures and markets high quality woven and tufted carpets under the Karastan and Bigelow brands.

CONTACT: K.W. Fraser, 919-665-4353, or O.L. Raines, 919-665-4342,
both of Fieldcrest Cannon

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#90288p5011 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, S.C. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - South Carolina National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SCNC) today reported net income of $17.6 million for the third quarter of 1990, an increase of 21 percent over the $14.5 million earned in the third quarter of 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share equalled $.79 for the third quarter, representing a 22 percent increase over the $.65 earned in the same quarter last year.

Net income was $46.8 million or $2.10 per fully diluted share for the first nine months of 1990, versus $44.9 million or $2.00 per fully diluted share earned during the same period of 1989. Net income for the first quarter of 1990 included a one-time addition to income of $6.1 million or $.27 per fully diluted share resulting from a change in the method of accounting for income taxes and a charge of $2.9 million or $.13 per fully diluted share resulting from a tax settlement with the Internal Revenue Service.

The Corporation also announced that the board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.20 per share. The dividend is payable January 2, 1991 to shareholders of record on December 10, 1990.

Return on average assets for the third quarter of 1990 was 1.09 percent versus .98 percent in the same period last year. Return on average equity was 16.36 percent compared to 13.93 percent in the third quarter of 1989. For the

first nine months of 1990, return on average assets was .99 percent and return on average equity was 14.79 percent.

"We are pleased with our third quarter results, particularly in light of today's challenging economic environment. Our fundamental performance for the quarter was solid, with good growth in net interest income and fee income, as well as effective control of non-interest expense," said James G. Lindley, chairman and chief executive officer.

The provision for loan losses returned to a more normal level in the third quarter compared to the first half of the year and problem assets decreased slightly at the end of the third quarter compared to June 30. Mr. Lindley noted, however, that the local real estate markets and the economic outlook for the Southeast are still of concern, and the Corporation will continue to carefully monitor its loan portfolio.

South Carolina National Corporation is the parent company of South Carolina National Bank, Provident Financial Corporation, SCN Discount Brokerage Services, Inc. and SCN Capital Management Corporation.

CONTACT: Linda K. Logan of South Carolina National Corporation, 803-765-3369

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HOUSTON (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Anadarko Petroleum Corp. (NYSE: APC) said today that recent gains in both crude oil production and average U.S. crude oil prices would substantially impact 1990 third quarter earnings scheduled for release on Oct. 25, 1990.

The company said its crude oil production gains stemmed from successful completion of a development drilling program at the High Island Block 376 Field in the Gulf of Mexico offshore Texas, and from a large increase in oil production at the Etzold waterflood (secondary recovery) project in southwest Kansas.

Anadarko Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Robert J. Allison Jr. said:

"The double leverage to both crude oil prices and volumes has more than offset the negative effects of weak markets for natural gas, which have only recently begun to improve."

Allison also said the company's third quarter 1990 financial results would be substantially higher than the 1989 third quarter based on an anticipated 20 percent gain in crude oil production and prices for the period.

Andarko also said the recent production gains could lead to a 10 percent gain

in crude oil and condensate production for the full year 1990 compared to 1989.

CONTACT: Paul Taylor of Anadarko Petroleum Corp., 713-875-1101

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TOMS RIVER, N.J. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Grayhound Electronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: GRAY) today announced the resignation of Carmen J. Ricci as chairman of the board, officer and director, effective Nov. 30.

Ricci stated he emphatically denies any wrongdoing whatsoever, with regard to the complaint which had been brought against him and indirectly, the company.

He also stated that, by his resignation, he hopes the company, its employees and shareholders will not have to face continuous harassment by the state of New Jersey and its agencies, thus enabling the company to move forward in a positive manner.

CONTACT: Thomas Ricci, president of Grayhound Electronics, 201-341-5200

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#90288p5018 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Network Technology Corporation (CNT) (NASDAQ: CMNT) today announced that it has entered into a master lease agreement with Comdisco, Inc. (NYSE: CDO) which calls for a $1.5 million lease line of credit. The company has utilized $1.1 million of this lease line of credit by entering into a four-year sale/leaseback of all capital equipment at its Maple Grove, Minn. headquarters. The $400,000 remaining available credit may be used for leasing additional capital equipment during the 12 month period ending September 1991.

As previously announced, Comdisco Disaster Recovery Services, Inc., a subsidiary of Comdisco, Inc., has selected Extended Channel Networking Systems from CNT for use in deployment of its high speed private data network that links backup disaster recovery sites nationwide.

Computer Network Technology Corporation develops, manufactures and markets high speed Extended Channel Networking products for the interconnection of mainframe computers, computer peripheral devices, and data base computers over unlimited distances. The company's common stock is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol CMNT.

CONTACT: Mac Lewis of Computer Network Technology, 612-420-4466

-30- 1464

#90288p5021 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - WNS Inc. (the "company") today announced the completion of an exchange of $4 million of its subordinated notes for Class A Preferred Stock of the company. The exchange required the company's shareholders to approve an amendment to the company's Articles of Incorporation which authorizes the issuance of Class A Preferred Stock. The amendment was approved at the Oct. 12, 1990 annual meeting of the shareholders.

The issuance of the preferred stock marks the completion of certain transactions which reduced the company's subordinated debt. As previously announced the sale of the company's Deck the Walls division was completed June 28, 1990 and resulted in the release and discharge of $6 million of the company's subordinated notes.

WNS Inc., is a leading specialty retailer operating primarily through franchisees with 252 Wicks 'N' Sticks stores selling candles and room fragrancing and 120 Wallpapers To Go stores selling in-stock and special order wallcoverings. The company is committed to focusing its resources on the continued development of these two retail concepts.

CONTACT: Harold R. Otto of WNS Inc., 713-874-0800

-30- 1363

#90288p5022 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Maxus Energy Corp. (NYSE: MXS) has signed a one-year technical evaluation agreement in Morocco covering in excess of 11 million acres.

The agreement calls for evaluation of seismic data and other geological and geophysical studies. The contract gives Maxus the option of entering into one or more exploration and development licenses following the completion of the study.

Maxus has also signed new contracts in Ethiopia and New Zealand in 1990.

Maxus Energy is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company based in Dallas.

CONTACT: Ginger Shearburn, 214-953-2822 (media); or Jeff Sahlberg, 214-953-2819 (analysts); both of Maxus Energy Corp.

-30- 881

#90288p5024 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Interstate/Johnson Lane, Inc. (NYSE: IS) announced today that it has reached an agreement in principle with First Charlotte Corporation to join the two firms' fixed income businesses. H.

Keith Brunnemer, Jr., chief executive officer of First Charlotte Corporation, will become a managing director of Interstate/Johnson Lane and will assume responsibility for the company's fixed income departments.

Parks H. Dalton, chairman and chief executive officer of Interstate/Johnson Lane, said the combination will take effect in early December.

"This is a very exciting and positive step for Interstate/Johnson Lane because by combining our two firms, we will be in an even stronger position to manage financing for state and local governments throughout the Southeast," Dalton said. "Keith is a seasoned professional with 28 years of experience in all phases of fixed income operations and will make an outstanding contribution to our firm."

Brunnemer said financing is important to state and local governments, and this area represents an important business for Interstate/Johnson Lane. "By joining forces, we will be in a better position to service this growing market. We will have the experience, manpower and distribution to underwrite and distribute these securities throughout the region," he said. "We also envision positive growth for all our other fixed income operations and look forward to utilizing our retail office network to achieve this growth."

Started in February 1977, First Charlotte Corporation is an investment banking firm specializing in fixed income securities. Located in Two First Union Center, the firm has 18 employees and capital of approximately $4.5 million. First Charlotte principals and employees will join Interstate/Johnson Lane's fixed income department, which includes municipal, U.S. government and coporate bond sales and trading, origination of investment banking services for state and local governments and municipal bond funds.

Interstate/Johnson Lane is one of the largest broker-dealer and investment banking firms located in the Southeast. With 1,150 employees, the firm has offices in North and South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Tennessee, Virginia and New York City.

CONTACT: Laura Mercer of Price/McNabb for Interstate/Johnson Lane, Inc., 704-375-0123

-30- 2570

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IRVING, TX (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - GTE Telephone Operations today has approval to begin offering new SmartCall(SM) Services, including Calling Number Identification, to its customers in Lexington and Elizabethtown, Ky. These services give consumers greater control, security and convenience in their telephone use, and represent a new generation of custom calling. GTE received approval, effective Oct. 8, from the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) to offer these new services.

The innovative SmartCall Services will allow telephone users to: see the number of the person calling; block unwanted calls; start tracing harassing calls on their own; and, automatically re-dial the last caller when they miss a call. GTE's Kentucky customers soon will receive information from the company that explains the new services and how to obtain them.

"Customers now can have more control over the use of their telephones by subscribing to these new services," said Clyta M. Dillon, senior product manager. "In our market test, we found that customers enjoyed the services by deciding who they wanted to talk to, when, and by not having to run to answer a ringing telephone."

Ten New Services

GTE's SmartCall Services include 10 new individual services and two discount packages. The individual services range from $2 to $10 per month. The packages are $13.25 per month for the nine-feature package, and $8.75 for the four-feature package.

In approving GTE's tariff, the Kentucky PSC required GTE to provide per-call blocking at no monthly charge. Named "Cancel Calling Number Delivery," this feature allows customers to prevent their telephone numbers from being seen by someone with Calling Number ID -- a service that lets people see who is calling, using a display device attached to the telephone. When Cancel Calling Number Delivery is activated before a call, "PRIVATE NUMBER"(see note) appears on the display unit instead of the telephone number.

In addition, GTE received permission to offer its Protected Number Service -- another unique option for customers to prevent their current telephone number from being seen on Calling Number ID devices.

Choices for Consumers Concerned About Privacy

"We recognize the concerns expressed by the commission in providing an option for those requesting the ability to cancel number display," Dillon said. "By providing Cancel Calling Number Delivery upon request, only those who find it sufficiently important will make the request. We also offer our Protected Number Service to address customer concerns about Calling Number ID."

GTE is the first telephone company in the nation to offer Protected Number Service and two other services: Special Call Waiting, which identifies certain callers who can always get through while a person is on the phone, and Special Call Acceptance, which allows only special calls to get through.

GTE plans to offer these services to more Kentucky communities next year, and plans to expand SmartCall Services to other GTE operating territories nationwide in the next five years.

CONTACT: Carla Stites 214-718-4952, or after 5 p.m. CDT,

817-540-2901, or Ed Shelby, 606-253-4408, or after 5 p.m., 606-293-5271, both of GTE

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HOPEWELL JUNCTION, N.Y. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Mark Ritter, chairman of Robert-Mark, Inc., (AMEX: RMK) announced today that its net loss for the second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 was $594,000 versus $424,000 in the second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989. The net loss per share was $.13 loss per share in the 1990 second quarter versus $.09 loss per share in the prior year second quarter.

The net loss for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990 decreased 29 percent to $766,000 or $.17 loss per share from $1,086,000 or $.24 loss per share for the six months ended Aug. 31, 1989.

Total revenues decreased 37 percent to $972,000 during the 1990 second quarter from $1,539,000 in the 1989 second quarter. The company's revenues declined due to the continued impact of a recession in the Northeast which has produced uncertainty in the marketplace and negatively impacted business growth and spending plans. Further, the company believes that high interest rate levels uncertain world events, and concerns over tax rate increases have caused some buyers to postpone or cancel buying decisions.

Total expenses for the 1990 second quarter were $1,523,000 or $780,000 lower than the 1989 second quarter expense of $2,303,000. The decrease primarily resulted from the implementation of an overall cost control program including a reduction of support personnel, consolidation of office space, as well as the reduction of certain volume related costs in the mortgage banking and resale divisions.

Ritter stated that "it is uncertain how large the current impact of a recession will be on the northeast economy or on the company. As a result, the company will continue to enforce its strict cost control programs and attempt to maximize its revenues in light of the current sluggish economic market."

CONTACT: Joseph A. Cilento, senior vice president & chief financial officer of Robert-Mark, 914-221-3800

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#90288p5030 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - American Electric Power (NYSE: AEP) today reported third quarter earnings of $129,078,000, a decrease of 20.7 percent from the $162,803,000 earned in 1989. Earnings per share for the quarter were 70 cents, a decrease of 14 cents or 16.7 percent from the 84

cents earned in 1989.

For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, earnings decreased 8 percent to $563,280,000 from $612,188,000, and earnings per share decreased 18 cents to $2.98 from $3.16 for the same period a year earlier.

Earnings per share for the current three-month and 12-month periods reflect a decrease in the average number of shares outstanding from a recently completed common stock repurchase plan, which reduced the shares outstanding by 9,000,000 shares.

Operating revenues for the third quarter were $1.333 billion, an increase of 2.7 percent from $1.297 billion in 1989. For the 12 months, revenues were $5.274 billion, an increase of 5.7 percent from $4.990 billion reported a year ago. The revenue increases for both periods reflect increased levels of relatively less profitable wholesale sales to unaffiliated utilities.

W.S. White, Jr., AEP chairman and chief executive officer, said that although revenues increased in both comparative periods, earnings and earnings per share declined in the 12-month period primarily as a result of (a) the commercial operation of a subsidiary's new generating unit in December 1989, the cost of which is not yet fully reflected in revenues, (b) the negative effect on retail sales of unseasonably mild winter weather in the first quarter of 1990 and a cooler summer in 1990, and (c) the recordation in the third quarter by Ohio Power Company, a subsidiary, of a $31 million pre-tax provision for estimated fuel cost losses due to the establishment of a cap on affiliated coal prices in its Ohio retail jurisdiction.

American Electric Power is the parent holding company of eight operating electric utilities providing service to 7 million people in Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Kentucky, Virginia, West Virginia and Tennessee.

CONTACT: Tom Ayres of American Electric Power, 614-223-1676

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#90288p5031 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WYOMISSING, PA. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Lawrence R. Pugh, chairman and chief executive officer of VF Corporation (NYSE: VFC), today announced that Robert E. Gregory Jr. has resigned his position as director and president and principal operating officer, effective immediately.

Gregory indicated that his decision was based on Pugh's continuing intention to remain in his current position for several more years, which is not compatible with Gregory's personal long-term career objectives.

Said Pugh, "We are sorry to learn of Mr. Gregory's decision because he has made many valuable contributions during his 11 years with the company. We

wish him continued success in his future endeavors."

Pugh will assume the additional title and responsibilities of president.

CONTACT: VF Corporation media relations, 215-378-1151

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#90288p5036 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENLO PARK, CALIF. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard P. Lange has joined SRI International as Patent Counsel, replacing Urban H. Faubion, who recently retired.

Lange's background includes patent and technology licensing, infringement analysis, worldwide patent prosecution, trademarks and copyrights, as well as international patent and trade secret litigation.

Lange comes to SRI from Ampex Corp. where he was patent counsel and corporate officer heading the Intellectual Property Department. Before joining Ampex, he spent 10 years with United Technologies Corp. as assistant general counsel and senior patent attorney. He holds a bachelor's of science degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Idaho, a master's of business administriation degree from the University of Hartford, and a J.D. from The American University. He has been admitted to practice by the U.S. Supreme Court, Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. He is a member of the American Intellectual Property Law Association, Association of Corporate Patent Counsel, and the American Bar Association.

SRI International provides research, development and consulting services to business and government worldwide.

CONTACT: Suzanne Dillon of SRI International, 415-859-2304

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#90288p5038 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANANDAIGUA, N.Y. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Canandaigua Wine Company, Inc. (AMEX: CDG.A, CDG.B) and Sogrape - Vinhos de Portugal, S.A. announced today that they have formed a venture to market and distribute the brand Mateus in the United States commencing Jan. 1, 1991.

Marvin Sands, chairman of the board of Canandaigua, and Fernando Guedes, chairman of the board of Sogrape, said: "We are excited about initiating new marketing and promotional programs to increase Mateus sales from its already substantial base as one of the 10 largest imported wine brands in the United States. We strongly believe Mateus is poised for exciting growth during the 90s, capitalizing on its unique characteristics and worldwide acceptance."

CONTACT: Canandaigua Wine Company, 716-394-7900

-30- 927

#90288p5044 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - J.C. Penney Co. Inc. announced today the public offering of $250 million of 10 percent notes due Oct. 15, 1997 at par, to yield 10 percent.

The notes may not be redeemed prior to their maturity on Oct. 15, 1997. The company will use the net proceeds from the offering for general corporate purposes. Pending any specified application, the net proceeds may be initially invested in short-term marketable securities or applied to the reduction of short-term indebtedness.

The company is a major retailer and the dominant portion of its business consists of providing merchandise and services to consumers through stores, including catalog operations. The company markets predominantly family apparel, shoes, jewelry, accessories and home furnishings.

The First Boston Corp. is the sole underwriter offering the notes.

CONTACT: Duncan Muir of J.C. Penney Co. Inc., 214-591-1329

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#90288p5052 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Cadillac Motor Car reported strong sales for the opening 10-day period of the 1991 model year. The luxury car leader posted sales of 8,751 units for the first 10 days of October -- up more than 38 percent -- compared to the same period last year when 6,205 units were sold.

Sales gains were posted across all models with De Ville/Fleetwood sales leading the way with a 46.5-percent hike. Sales of the two models were 5,999 units compared to 4,096 during the initial period in 1990.

Eldorado and Brougham sales were also up significantly, 31.7 percent and 25.8 percent, respectively, compared to the same period last year.

"This strong sales report certainly is encouraging at the start of a new model year," according to John O. Grettenberger, Cadillac general manager and General Motors vice president. "Coupled with our recent winning of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, this demonstrates strong consumer confidence in Cadillac's commitment to quality and customer satisfaction."

CONTACT: Vince Muniga of Cadillac Motor Car Division, 313-554-5070

-30- 1266

#90288p5054 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAYNE, PA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - SunGard Data Systems Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SNDT) announced today that it has entered into an agreement in principle to acquire National Computer Systems Disaster Recovery Services (DRS), the disaster recovery division of Minneapolis-based National Computer Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: NLCS) (NCS).

In addition to acquiring DRS, NCS and SunGard would engage in an exclusive joint marketing effort for the sale of disaster recovery services to NCS's Financial Systems customers, and NCS would continue to provide software application support to NCS Financial Systems customers in the event of a disaster. The proposed transaction, which is scheduled to close in the fourth quarter of 1990, is subject to approval of the board of directors of each company and to execution of a definitive agreement.

DRS provides comprehensive disaster recovery services for users of DEC and Prime computers. DRS provides hotsite and coldsite backup facilities to customers throughout the United States. The facilities and employees of DRS would remain in Atlanta and would represent SunGard Recovery Services' fifth hotsite location, in addition to SunGard's existing IBM hotsite facilities in Philadelphia, Chicago and San Diego and its Unisys hotsite in suburban Philadelphia.

SunGard Data Systems is the pioneer and a leading provider of comprehensive computer center disaster recovery services. SunGard also is the only large specialized provider of proprietary investment support systems to the financial services industry. Its common stock is reported on the NASDAQ National Market Systems under the symbol SNDT.

Terms of the proposed transaction were not announced. SunGard representatives stated that the acquisition is not expected to materially affect the company's financial results for 1990.

CONTACT: Richard C. Tarbox of SunGard, 215-341-8743

-30- 2076

#90288p5059 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastchester Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: ECFC) said today that it will increase its loan loss reserve by $6.4 million for the third quarter, resulting in a loss for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company stated that this will bring the reserve to $9.1 million representing 2.7 percent of its loan portfolio and other real estate owned. The $6.4 million increase is the direct result of the further deterioration of

the real estate market in its market area.

Eastchester had previously announced on Oct. 8, 1990, a new agreement with North Fork Bancorporation providing for the acquisition of Eastchester. That announcement stated that Eastchester planned to make a substantial addition to its loan loss reserve and that the new agreement with North Fork reflected these plans. Easthchester does not expect that the increase announced today will have an adverse effect on the proposed acquisition of Eastchester by North Fork.

CONTACT: William J. Volckmann of Eastchester Financial Corporation, 914-285-9600

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#90288p5060 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Cognitive Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSAI) today announced financial results for the company's third fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990. During that period, operating revenue was $602,000 vs. $817,000 for the fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989.

Operating expenses were $1.1 million for the fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, as compared to $939,000 for the corresponding period of 1989. The company's loss for its third fiscal quarter was $505,000, or $.19 per share, as compared to a gain of $308,000, or $.11 per share, during the corresponding quarter of fiscal year 1989. During the third quarter of fiscal 1989, the company recognized approximately $430,000 in non-recurring income related to the settlement of all outstanding claims against the company arising from unauthorized speculative securities transactions by its former chief financial officer. Reimbursable expenses to subcontractors related to the company's contract with Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency in the amount of $267,000 had the effect of increasing both revenues and expenses during the third quarter of fiscal 1990 by the same amount.

"Several important customers modified their plans for incorporation and use of CSI applications, resulting in sharply lower revenues for the quarter," said Steve Mott, president and chief executive officer. "The company had adjusted expenses going forward in order to return to profitability as soon as possible."

Cognitive Systems, Inc. specializes in building software applications that process natural language text automatically and data base processing tools that provide easy, intelligent access to information.

COGNITIVE SYSTEMS, INC. (Amounts in thousands, except per-share data)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Aug. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$602	$817	$2,539	$2,493

Operating income (loss)	(499)	(122)	(466)	(340)
Net earnings (loss)	(505)	308	(460)	86
Earnings (loss) per share	$(.19)	$.11	$(.17)	$.03

CONTACT: Steve Mott of Cognitive Systems, 203-773-0726

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#90288p5062 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Conston Corp. (AMEX: KCS) today announced the results of operations for its second quarter, ended Sept. 1, 1990.

Conston, a specialty retailer of women's clothing and accessories, focuses on large size women's apparel. Since June 22, Conston has operated as a debtor-in-possession under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Act.

Net sales of Conston for the 26 weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990, decreased 25 percent to $65,495,000 from the comparative period in 1989, primarily due to the inadequate merchandise levels because of the interruption of shipments from suppliers, along with the closing of approximately 100 stores since its filing for bankruptcy protection. The net loss during that period increased from $2,602,000 ($.34 per share) during 1989 to $19,053,000 ($2.51 per share) in 1990 due to a $20 million reserve for restructuring costs charged during the first quarter.

For the 13 weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990, Conston's net sales decreased 38 percent to $26,967,000 from the comparative period in 1989. However, due to a revised restructuring reserve, Conston reflected a net profit of $1,045,000 ($.14 per share) for that 13-week period in 1990, as compared to a net loss of $2,407,000 ($.32 per share) during the comparable 13 weeks period in 1989.

Ira Quint, president of Conston, was quick to point out that "...these results for the past 13 weeks are not indicative of what can be expected in future quarters or for the next fiscal year. We are working very hard to cut Conston's costs, to keep its expenses to a minimum and to turn the corner. We have started to make some progress but we have a long way to go."

CONTACT: Ira Quint, president of Conston, 215-492-9700

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#90288p5065 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOLINE, Ill. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE -- Deere & Company (NYSE: DE) today announced that it is making some adjustments to its scheduled 1991 fiscal year production of agricultural machinery in response to lower retail production of agricultural machinery in response to lower retail sales during August and September.

Deere & Company Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Hans W. Becherer said, "Compared with last year, industry retail sales of large tractors were down 34 percent in September following a 5 percent decline in August, and retail sales of grain combines have also slowed."

To avoid a potential build-up of excess inventory while at the same time minimizing workforce reductions, the company plans to implement a combination of schedule reductions and one- or two-week shutdowns at some of its agricultural factories. The company indicated that similar adjustments had already been made or planned for its industrial equipment and lawn and grounds care lines in reaction to general economic conditions.

"While one can never be certain as to what is causing a change in business conditions, the gap in the U.S. government farm program resulting from stalled budget legislation and the effects of the Middle East crisis are both major and untimely concerns for farmers," Becherer said. "The company believes at this time that the slowdown in farm equipment sales is a reaction to prevailing uncertainty as most agricultural fundamentals remain favorable. The effect of weather conditions which caused late planting and, therefore, a late harvest has also delayed normal, seasonal buying patterns.

"Previously disclosed adjustments to production of our non- agricultural lines along with decreasing agricultural equipment volumes and lower results in Europe are expected to result in lower sales and earnings in the fourth quarter of 1990 compared with last year's final quarter," Becherer said. "However, we still expect to report record earnings for all of fiscal year 1990. Much of the planned shutdowns in our businesses will occur early in our next fiscal year beginning Nov. 1, adversely affecting first-quarter 1991 results. However, this should facilitate more efficient operations during the rest of the year."

CONTACT: Robert J. Combs of Deere & Company, 309-765-5014

-30- 2492

#90288p5066 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLARK, N.J. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Q-Med, Inc. (NASDAQ: QEKG) was granted a temporary exception from the minimum capital and surplus standard of NASDAQ on Oct. 1, 1990. As a consequence of this exception, the company's NASDAQ symbol was QEKGC. On Oct. 12, 1990, the company filed its Form 10-Q report for the period ended Aug. 31, 1990, which demonstrated that the company is presently in compliance with all standards for continued inclusion in NASDAQ. The company's NASDAQ symbol will be QEKG after NASDAQ processes the information.

CONTACT: Michael W. Cox, president & CEO of Q-Med, Inc., 201-381-6880

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#90288p5073 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, Va. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir today filed a motion with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for permission to terminate its USAir Express agreement with CCAir (NASDAQ-NMS: CCAR), citing CCAir's poor operational reliability which, USAir charged, is causing confusion and harm to the flying public and mid-sized/smaller communities.

USAir said CCAir's growing inability to meet its required 96 percent completion standard causes difficulties for USAir Express passengers who "depend on reliable air commuter service in the region and use Charlotte as a connecting gateway to the national air transportation network."

USAir said flight cancellations have increased dramatically on the CCAir system over the past three months. According to USAir, during July and August 1990, CCAir's flight completion rate was approximately 94 percent and during September it dropped to 88.7 percent. These figures do not include weather cancellations -- only those caused by maintenance, operational deficiencies, and decisions over which CCAir had control.

Under its contract with all nine of its USAir Express operators, USAir has the right to cancel the affiliation with 10 days notice if a carrier fails to complete at least 96 percent of its scheduled flights in any given month.

USAir emphasized that CCAir in October removed, without prior notice, 20 flights from its published schedules, causing severe inconvenience to passengers and to USAir, which had to re-book passengers or make refunds. By the terms of the agreement, CCAir must provide 60 days notice for flight cancellations.

CCAir more recently notified USAir that additional flight cancellations will occur in November -- sharply reducing flight levels in many cities. Cancellations are not evenly distributed, according to USAir, disrupting service to some smaller cities more than others.

A basic premise of the service agreement is that the routes of CCAir and USAir link to form an integrated system of public transportation. When these scheduled linkages are interrupted due to flight cancellations, the traveling public suffers, USAir said.

USAir also noted that because CCAir flies under the USAir Express logo, the public identifies CCAir with USAir and other regional carriers using the USAir Express logo. The poor flight completion ratios have continued to harm the public's perception of USAir, despite the fact that CCAir is an independently operated firm, said USAir.

USAir Express service is provided nationwide by five independent companies

(including CCAir) and four wholly owned subsidiaries of USAir Group (NYSE: U). USAir said the same operating rules and procedures, as well as revenue sharing arrangements, apply to all, whether non-owned or owned.

USAir is preparing a contingency plan for replacement USAir Express service, which would be implemented after the bankruptcy court approves termination of the agreement.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, 703-418-5100 or 213-417-1294 (Western Region)

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#90288p5078 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, Calif. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc., today announced combined domestic Corolla and Camry sales of 5,753 (2,043 Corollas and 3,710 Camrys) for the first 10 days of October, compared to last year's figure of 2,591 (782 Corollas and 1,809 Camrys).

Toyota's calendar year-to-date domestic sales total 273,098 versus 153,947 sold a year ago.

CONTACT: Mindy Geller of Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc., 213-618-5204

-30- 584

#90288p5079 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Dallas-based Publishers Equipment Corp. today announced a recapitalization of its Motter Corp. subsidiary located in York, Pa. and Rockford, Ill. Koenig & Bauer AG, ("K&B") Wurzburg, Germany, the parent company of Koenig & Bauer-Albert, and a major shareholder of both Publishers Equipment Corp. and Motter Corp., has increased its ownership percentage in Motter Corp. in a transaction that includes $3 million cash and a liabilities reduction to the renamed KBA-Motter Corp. While KBA-Motter Corp. will remain an operating unit of Publishers Equipment Corp., K&B will acquire a 62 percent equity position.

In announcing the recapitalization, Evans Kostas, president of Publishers Equipment Corp. and KBA-Motter Corp., said the transaction significantly enhances the corporation's ability to compete worldwide while increasing its financial strength. "We will be able to offer the broadest arrary of offset, flexo, and gravure equipment to both publishers and printers, particularly in association with K&B, a world leader hl our industry."

Joining the announcement, Dr. Hans Bolza-Schunemann, president of K&B, said he has great confidence in KBA-Motter Corp.'s abilities to competitively serve its market with combined U.S. and German technologies in products manufactured in the States.

Publishers Equipment Corp., a Dallas-based public company, specializes in the design, manufacture, and marketing of web-fed presses and associated auxiliary equipment through its subsidiaries King Press Corp., Solna Web AB and Solna Web Inc.

CONTACT: Roger R. Baier of Publishers Equipment Corp., 214-931-2312

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#90288p5085 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - United Technologies Pratt Whitney has awarded a $13.2 million (U.S.) contract with options for $12.1 million (U.S.) to Aeronca, Inc. a subsidiary of Fleet Aerospace, Inc.

Under the terms of the contract, Aeronca will design and manufacture the nozzle, plug and aft pylon fairing for the PW4168 engine used on the Airbus A330 airliner.

Aeronca is located in Middletown, Ohio.

CONTACT: Cecil G. Cline, president and chief executive officer, Fleet Aerospace, 416-871-2100

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#90288p5087 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

POMPANO BEACH, FLA. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Agri-Dade, Ltd., announced today that its operating contractor, Jones Operations & Maintenance Company, has suspended operations at the Agri-Dade solid waste disposal plant because of a payment dispute.

The parties are continuing attempts to resolve the dispute. During these negotiations, Agri-Dade itself will operate the facility located in northwestern Dade County.

Agri-Dade, a limited partnership, owns the plant. Agripost, Inc., (NASDAQ: AGRI) is the general and managing partner and owns controlling interest in the limited partnership.

CONTACT: Edward C. West, president of Agripost, Inc., 305-971-9167

-30- 841

#90288p5088 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Abitibi-Price (NYSE: ABY) today reported a loss of $0.7 million, or 2 cents per common share, for its third quarter, which compares with earnings of $13.6 million, or 18 cents per share, in the

same quarter of 1989. Sales in the quarter were $757 million, compared with $816 million in 1989.

Sales and earnings were unfavorably affected by a strike, beginning Sept. 10, that closed six of the company's newsprint mills and a coated papers mill. An agreement with the Canadian Paperworkers Union was ratified in early October and is comparable to the settlement reached with other eastern Canadian forest product companies. Subsequently, the struck mills started up the week of Oct. 9.

For the first three quarters of 1990, the company reported a loss of $15.7 million, or 25 cents per common share, compared with earnings of $68.7 million or 92 cents per share, in 1989. Sales for the nine months were $2.3 billion, compared with $2.5 billion in the previous year.

Year-to-date results include an unusual charge of $42.6 million, consisting of the cost of the company's restructuring program. Without this charge, the first nine months of the year would have shown net earnings of $10.8 million, or 13 cents per common share.

"The labor disruption, soft markets for many of our products, the write-off of restructuring costs and the higher value of the Canadian dollar against the U.S. dollar are all contributing to make 1990 a difficult year," said Bernd K. Koken, chairman and chief executive officer. "These events were partially offset as we began to realize the benefits of our restructuring efforts and the June 1st newsprint price increase." A further price increase of $35 per ton has been announced for Jan. 1, 1991.

Newsprint markets tightened during the quarter as a significant portion of North American capacity was affected by strikes. Most printing paper markets remain soft, with the exception of directory and supercalendered grades.

The Paper Group also continued to build for the future. "The successful startup of the newsprint mill at Claiborne, Ala., and the addition of recycled newsprint production at Augusta, Ga., are very representative of the company's skill in implementing new projects on budget and on schedule," stated Koken.

In the Diversified Group, operating profit before unusual items continued to improve both for the year and the quarter despite soft markets. Building Products operating profit declined from last year.

Abitibi-Price, an integrated forest products company with headquarters in Toronto, is a producer of newsprint, uncoated groundwood papers, coated papers and building products and is a converter and distributor of papers and other information-related products.

CONTACT: Eileen A. Mercier, senior VP, 416-369-6718, or Robert J. Tait (investors), 416-369-6789, both of Abitibi-Price

-30- 3100

#90288p5090 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW CASTLE, Pa. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - John W. Sant, Chairman and chief executive officer of First Western Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: FWBI), today reported that net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $4,182,000 or $2.15 per share, up 5.9 percent over last year's nine month total earnings of $3,947,000 or $2.03 per share.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $1,280,000 or $0.66 per share, a 4.0 percent decrease from last year's third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, net income of $1,333,000 or $0.69 per share. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was down 12.6 percent from the three month period ended June 30, 1990, when net income was $1,465,000 or $0.75 per share.

First Western's total assets as of Sept 30, 1990, were $582,826,000, an increase of 3.5 percent over Sept. 30, 1989, total assets of $563,296,000. Over the last 12 months, deposits are up 3.9 percent to $518,045,000, while net loans have increased 12.7 percent to $387,849,000. Shareholders' equity has increased 9.1 percent from $40,002,000 at Sept. 30, 1989, to $43,645,000 at Sept. 30, 1990. Book value per share at Sept. 30, 1990, was $22.44, as compared to $21.02 at Dec. 31, 1989.

First Western's third quarter net income was down in comparison to last year's third quarter net income primarily due to an increase in the provision for possible loan losses from $270,000 in the third quarter of 1989 to $770,000 in the comparable period this year, resulting in an increase in the allowance for possible loan losses from 1.09 percent of net loans outstanding at June 30, 1990, to 1.24 percent at Sept. 30, 1990. This increase was determined to be prudent by management in light of a slowing national and regional economy and its possible effect on First Western's loan portfolio. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the total provision for possible loan losses was $1,285,000 as compared to $780,000 for nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income increased for the first nine months of 1990 over the comparable period in 1989, despite the increased provision for possible loan losses, primarily due to a 7.6 percent increase in net interest income, and a 17.0 percent increase in total other income, somewhat offset by a moderate 4.3 percent increase in total other expenses and a 32.5 percent increase in income tax expense. For the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, net interest income was up 8.8 percent, while total other income was up 13.0 percent. Total other expenses were only up 1.5 percent and income tax expense grew by 18.2 percent.

At First Western's Oct. 15, 1990, board of directors meeting, a cash dividend of $0.275 per share on 1,944,642 shares of common stock issued and outstanding was declared, with a record date of Oct. 30, 1990, and a payable date of Nov. 6, 1990. Total dividends year-to-date through Sept. 30, 1990, are up 8.5

percent primarily as a result of the increase in the quarterly cash dividend last quarter.

First Western Bancorp Inc., headquartered in New Castle, Pa., is the parent of First National Bank of Western Pennsylvania and Beaver Trust Co., with 18 offices in Lawrence, Beaver, Butler and Allegheny counties.

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COSTA MESA, Calif. (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Automotive Corp. (NASDAQ: PKRA) today announced that it has completed the second stage of a $2 million private placement in which Cruttenden & Co., of Newport Beach, Calif., served as adviser to the company.

On approximately, Sept. 1, 1990, the company offered unregistered shares of its common stock for sale to professional investment firms with a goal of raising $2 million in new equity. As of Oct. 9, 1990 (the close of the offering), the placement had raised $5.3 million in new equity, representing a 265 percent oversubscription by the investment community.

"We are extremely gratified at the overwhelming success of this offering, considering market conditions," said Michael E. Parker, chief executive officer of Parker Automotive Corp. "To oversubscribe an offering by this magnitude during one of the worst bear markets in recent memory indicates to us that the investment community recognizes both the tremendous achievements of the company during this fiscal year, and the bright prospects for Parker Automotive and its CarbonClean products in the future," continued Parker. Proceeds from the placement will be used to continue the expansion of the company's operations.

Simultaneously, Parker Automotive announced that revenues for the six month period ended Aug. 31, 1990, were $7,745,400, compared to revenues of $1,580,900 for the corresponding period in 1989. Revenues for the three month period ended Aug. 31, 1990, were $3,614,000, compared to revenues of $1,301,900 for the corresponding period in 1989. Earnings for the three month period ended Aug. 21, 1990, were $205,800 ($.02 per share), compared to a loss of $48,000 ($.01 per share) for the corresponding period in 1989.

Earnings in the second quarter were adversely affected by postponement of a major shipment of the company's CarbonClean products to Saudi Arabia due to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. The Saudi shipment has subsequently been made and will be reflected in the company's third quarter results.

The patented CarbonClean product line cleans fuel system contaminants from

internal combustion engines, resulting in drastically reduced exhaust emissions, restored fuel economy and engine performance. CarbonClean has been tested and approved by numerous independent agencies worldwide, and is currently distributed in more than 60 nations.

"Demand for our products is growing," stated Parker. "Export markets are continuing to expand, and domestic sales are increasing monthly. We feel that the recent surge in gasoline and diesel fuel prices has been a significant contributing factor to increased demand, and also, the mounting worldwide concern with reducing vehicular exhaust emissions. As CarbonClean has proven to increase fuel economy 3 percent or more while reducing noxious emissions up to 95 percent, we expect that the demand will continue to grow," continued Parker.

Parker Automotive is headquartered in Costa Mesa. Manufacturing facilities are in Fountain Valley, Calif., and sales offices are maintained worldwide.

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#90288p5095 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Reading & Bates Corp. (NYSE: RB) announced today that it has proposed a major recapitalization plan to its senior creditors after extensive discussions with a negotiating committee representing those creditors.

The proposed recapitalization plan, if implemented, would result in the elimination of approximately $267.2 million of senior debt and lease obligations and cancellation of a contingent debt obligation of $50 million issued to certain senior creditors in the company's 1989 debt restructuring in exchange for the issuance to those senior creditors of approximately 183 million shares of the company's common equity. The $267.2 million of obligations to be eliminated is based on principal and interest expected to be outstanding at Dec. 31, 1990. The remaining senior debt and lease obligations issued in the 1989 restructuring would be exchanged for senior secured notes and lease obligations in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed $89.6 million at Dec. 31, 1990.

The company's outstanding common equity now consists ofapproximately 13.9 million shares of common stock and approximately 23.9 million shares of Class B common stock, including 22.6 million Class B shares issued to the senior creditor group as part of a debt restructuring undertaken by the company in 1989. The Class B common stock is non- voting and is convertible into an equivalent number of shares of common stock. The recapitalization would increase the percentage of the company's outstanding common equity owned by the senior creditor group from approximately 59.8 percent to approximately 89.4 percent.

The recapitalization plan also contemplates that the company may elect to have a rights offering pursuant to which the non-creditor holders of the company's common stock, as of a record date to be established later, would be given the right to purchase one quarter of one share for each share of common stock owned at a purchase price of $2.05 per share. If fully exercised, the rights offering would result in approximately 3.8 million additional shares of the company's common stock being issued in exchange for approximately $7.8 million in proceeds to the company.

The plan also contemplates a new stock option plan under which the company's management would be granted options on approximately 9.2 million shares of the company's common stock.

D. Keith McIntosh, chairman of the board and CEO of Reading & Bates, said that the company intends to seek agreement with all of its senior creditors and to finalize documentation to accomplish the recapitalization as soon as possible. The recapitalization plan would also be subject to the approval of the company's stockholders at a special meeting currently anticipated to be held on Dec. 28, 1990.

As a contingency, if requisite agreement of the company's senior creditors cannot be obtained, the recapitalization plan contemplates that under certain circumstances the company would seek to implement the plan as a "prepackaged" Chapter 11 plan of reorganization in bankruptcy court. The "prepackaged" plan contemplates that the company's creditors, other than the senior creditors involved in the 1989 debt restructuring, would remain unimpaired. The company expects that it would enter bankruptcy only if the proposed recapitalization plan could not otherwise be accomplished.

McIntosh indicated that the company faces serious cash flow problems arising from certain accrued interest obligations due Dec. 31, 1990 and continuing with quarterly principal repayments that commence in March 1991. Based upon current projections these cash obligations cannot be met, and the company could be in default of such obligations as early as the end of December 1990. The proposed recapitalization plan would solve these problems and substantially improve the company's capital structure.

McIntosh further stated that "the successful completion of this proposed recapitalization would enable Reading & Bates to survive and participate in the future growth of the offshore contract drilling industry."

Reading & Bates Corporation, a New York Stock Exchange listed company, engages in offshore drilling throughout the world and provides engineering services and equipment for water treatment systems.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Kelley Oil Corp. (NASDAQ: KOIL) ("Kelley Oil"), managing general partner of Kelley Partners 1990 Development Drilling Program, a Texas limited partnership (the "partnership"), announced today the completion of a public offering for 9,828,659 units of limited partner and general partner interests in the partnership. The units were offered on a preemptive basis to depositary unitholders of Kelley Oil & Gas Partners Ltd. (AMEX: KLY) ("Kelley Partners") at a price of $3 per unit for an offering amount of $29,485,977, which will be combined with the general partners' contribution of $1,215,792, for a total of $30,701,769. The units were subscribed approximately 26 percent by depository unitholders of Kelley Partners, an additional six percent by officers and directors of Kelley Oil and the balance by Kelley Oil.

Tucker Anthony Inc. and Eppler, Guerin & Turner, Inc. acted as selected agents along with various other selling agents for the offering.

The partnership was formed to conduct development drilling activities on properties of Kelley Partners, located primarily in Louisiana, and is the fourth development drilling program sponsored by Kelley Oil for this purpose. The partnership will conduct development operations in conjunction with Kelley Partners, which will also have a 20 percent reversionary interest in the partnership's development activities.

Kelley Oil, an independent oil and gas producer, serves as the managing general partner of Kelley Partners, in which it owns interests aggregating 6.56 percent. It also serves as managing general partner of Kelley Partners 1988 and 1989 Development Drilling Programs and owns interests of 48.11 percent and 44.32 percent, respectively, in these publicly held programs. Interests in the initial 1987 development drilling program were acquired by Kelley Partners in an exchange offer completed in February 1990.

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MIAMI (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - DWG Corp. (AMEX: DWG) today announced in a mailing to its shareholders the final results of its Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on Oct. 12, 1990. A copy of that mailing follows:

Our Shareholders: DWG Corporation held its Annual Meeting of Shareholders on Friday, Oct. 12, 1990. At the meeting, approximately 91 percent of the outstanding shares of DWG entitled to vote were present in person or by proxy. Of the shares represented at the meeting over 96 percent voted for the

nominees for directors of your Board of Directors, with each nominee receiving over 22,750,000 votes. Also, the Company's new Management Incentive Plan was approved by a large majority, with less than 5 percent voting against. Finally in the ratification of the selection of auditors over 98 percent of the votes were in favor of ratification of the selection of Arthur Andersen & Co.

In connection with the meeting, certain shareholders gave notices purporting to request that voting on the election of directors be cumulative. The Company was advised by Ohio counsel that such notices did not conform with the requirements of the Ohio General Corporation Law or the Company's Code of Regulations for cumulative voting and the Inspectors of Election found that cumulative voting was not in effect. Nevertheless, shareholders who wished to vote cumulatively were offered the opportunity at the meeting to submit a cumulative voting ballot in addition to any regular ballot or proxy they were entitled to vote. The overwhelming majority of the votes cast on a cumulative basis were invalid because they were not executed by shareholders who were entitled to vote. Nevertheless, even if all such votes had been valid and cumulative voting had been in effect, there were insufficient votes even to elect a single director and the results of the election would have been unchanged.

On behalf of your Board of Directors and Management I again want to thank shareholders for the overwhelming support evidenced by their vote at such meeting.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. today announced a decrease in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The decrease of $0.75/bbl was effective today at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$38.50 for West Texas Intermediate $36.50 for West Texas Sour $39.00 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore)

New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E57. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90288p5108 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, Texas (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Communications Transmission Inc. (NASDAQ: CTIA) announced today that the third quarter of 1990 (ended September 30) resulted in a net loss of $3.6 million or 35 cents per common share. Revenues, including $15.2 million from an early termination contract settlement with ITT, totaled $112.3 million. The net loss compares with a prior year net loss of $14.9 million ($1.43 per common share) on revenues of $96.6 million. As reported previously, earlier this year CTI elected to change its fiscal year to a calendar year basis.

The total net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $30.2 million or $2.90 per common share on revenues of $305.5 million (including $15.2 million from the ITT contract settlement) compared to a net loss of $25.5 million or $2.44 per common share on revenues of $303.0 million for the first nine months of 1989.

CTI's results for both periods include 100 percent of the net loss reported by its approximately 64 percent owned (on a fully diluted basis) subsidiary, ALC Communications Corp. (ALC).

The positive results of achieving the successfully completed financial restructuring in June 1990 began to be seen during the third quarter. ALC revenues from billable minutes increased by 7 percent over the prior year's third quarter and ALC reported its first quarterly operating income ($634,000) since the second quarter of 1989. ALC also reported that traffic on its long-distance network grew for the third consecutive quarter. Meanwhile, CTI's two unconsolidated 50 percent owned fiber optic networks in Texas and Michigan each continue to show favorable revenue and operating income growth.

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FOREST CITY, IOWA (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Winnebago Industries Inc., today reported revenues of $85,883,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 ended Aug. 25, 1990. Revenues for the same period of fiscal 1989 were $89,528,000.

A net loss of $3,835,000, equal to 15 cents a share, was recorded for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, compared with a net loss of $11,276,000, equal to 46 cents a share, for the same period one year ago.

For fiscal 1990, the company reported a net loss of $17,835,000, equal to 72 cents a share, compared with a loss of $4,675,000, equal to 19 cents a share last year. Revenues totaled $335,098,000, versus revenues of $437,500,000 for fiscal 1989.

According to Winnebago Chief Operating Officer Fred Dohrmann, ''Results of the fourth quarter reflect losses at the company's Cycle Sat subsidiary and the Commercial Vehicle Division, offset in part by an operating income from the company's recreation vehicle segment. Additionally, impacting the fourth quarter was an Internal Revenue Service audit settlement which had an unfavorable net impact of $2,300,000.''

Revenues for fiscal 1990 were affected by lower motor home sales volume, as well as a shift to lower priced units. While the sales of traditional motor homes were somewhat softer in fiscal 1990, the company has been able to substantially increase sales volume of the Winnebago Warrior and Itasca Spirit micro-mini motor homes, a growing segment of the RV industry. ''Between January and July, 1990, Winnebago Industries has been able to increase market share, garnering more than 60 percent of all micro-mini retail sales,'' Dohrmann said.

Results for fiscal 1990 were adversely impacted by lower sales volumes of recreational vehicles, operating losses at the company's Cycle-Sat subsidiary and the commercial vehicle division.

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#90288p5112 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Pool Energy Services Co. (NASDAQ: PESC) announced today the completion of the sale of its Oiltools operations to Antah Risjad Ltd., a company controlled by investors located in Malaysia and Indonesia. The sale price was approximately $25.5 million, of which $21.5 million was paid in cash at closing with the remainder to be paid in six months. Approximately $3 million of the proceeds were used to retire debt, leaving Pool virtually debt free. Jim Jongebloed, president of Pool, stated that this sale provided the company an excellent opportunity to improve its liquidity and to concentrate its attention on its core business: providing drilling and workover services in the United States and overseas.

The Oiltools companies which were sold engage principally in selling and renting oilfield equipment exclusively outside the United States.

Pool Energy Services Co. common stock is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol PESC.

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#90288p5115 10/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (OCT. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - First National Corp. (AMEX: FN), parent

company of First National Bank reported record 1990 third quarter earnings of $1,812,000, an increase of 26 percent over earnings of $1,442,000 for the third quarter ending in 1989.

Fully diluted earnings per share were 55 cents which compared favorably to 1989 third quarter fully diluted earnings of 43 cents per share in 1989. For the overall nine-month period, net earnings increased 21 percent from $3,887,000 in 1989 to $4,706,000 in 1990. Nine-month fully diluted earnings per share were $1.41 in 1990, an increase of $1.18 in 1989.

Malin Burnham, chairman of First National Corp. said, "Although we are disappointed in the recent performance of the company's common stock price, we are confident that our continued impressive performance will eventually result in a realistic market price."

As of Sept. 30, 1990, total assets reached $595,735,000, compared to $521,740,000 at this same time last year, a 14 percent increase. Loans were up 13 percent to $391,561,000 and deposits rose 12 percent to $537,120,000 at the end of third quarter 1990.

Net interest income, on a fully tax equivalent basis, increased by 22 percent in the third quarter of 1990 over 1989 because of a 9 percent increase in average earning assets and to the increase in net interest margin which grew to 7.08 percent from 6.35 percent. The margin increased significantly because of the growth of average demand deposits which went up by 45 percent.

Other operating income increased 56 percent in the third quarter of 1990 over 1989 because of the increase in the bank's mortgage loan servicing portfolio which grew from $1.8 billion at Sept. 30, 1989 to $3.7 billion at Sept. 30, 1990.

Non-interest expense increased 29 percent in the third quarter of 1990 over 1989. Increases were primarily in the salaries and benefits area with the addition of loan servicing personnel for the mortgage banking operation. Client service expense also increased which is directly attributable to the increase in demand deposits.

The provision for loan losses increased 35 percent in the third quarter of 1990 over 1989, which brought the allowance for loan losses to loans to 1.24 percent. The ratio of net charge-offs to average loans for the 1990 third quarter was .53 percent, bringing the nine-month ratio to .32 percent (annualized).

Non-performing assets were $3,958,000 on Sept. 30, 1990. These assets represent 1.01 percent of total loans and other real estate owned vs. .57 percent a year ago and .68 percent at June 30, 1990. "Although we are not happy with this increase," said Mike West, president and chief executive officer, "it primarily represents just one larger credit that was recently

placed in this status. Because we're a business bank making larger commercial loans, the impact of one or two credits being placed in this status does increase our ratios." West continued, "However, we feel our current level of non-performers should not be a source of concern for investors, especially since the allowance for loan losses to non- performing loans was 123 percent at Sept. 30, 1990. Also, there was no other real estate owned."

First National Bank currently has six banking offices in San Diego County, one in Riverside County and a loan production office in Bakersfield, Calif. It plans to open its seventh banking office in San Diego's Golden Triangle area late in the fourth quarter.

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MOSCOW (OCT 15) - THE SOVIET UNION WILL DO ALL IT CAN TO MAKE THE BEST POSSIBLE USE OF THE POTENTIAL FOR EXPANDING MUTUALLY ADVANTAGEOUS COOPERATION WITH CHILE, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY'S LATIN AMERICAN DEPARTMENT DEPUTY HEAD YAN BURLIAI TOLD A BRIEFING HERE TODAY.

ASKED WHAT IMPORTANCE MOSCOW ATTACHES TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF CULTURAL AND OTHER TIES BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND CHILE, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT CHILE WAS ONE OF LATIN AMERICA'S MOST IMPORTANT COUNTRIES.

RECALLING THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WERE RESUMED THIS YEAR AFTER A DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT HEADED BY PRESIDENT PATRICIO EILVIN TOOK OFFICE, BURLIAI SAID "WE SPOKE IN FAVOUR OF EXPANDING RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES IN ALL SPHERES. WE BELIEVE THAT DESPITE THE GREAT DISTANCE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, THERE EXISTS GREAT POTENTIAL FOR MUTUALLY ADVANTAGEOUS COOPERATION IN THE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES. WE SHALL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO REALISE THIS POTENTIAL MOST EFFECTIVELY".

A BRAZILIAN JOURNALIST ASKED ABOUT SOVIET RELATIONS WITH CUBA. THE SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT THEY WERE DEVELOPING ON THE BASIS OF THE PRINCIPLES LAID DOWN IN THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION, SIGNED BY PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND CUBAN LEADER FIDEL CASTRO LAST YEAR.

"THESE PRINCIPLES ENVISAGE MUTUALLY ADVANTAGEOUS COOPERATION, POLITICAL DIALOGUE AND INTERACTION IN THE WORLD ARENA," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"WE FAVOUR ACTIVE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW FORMS OF COOPERATION AND BELIEVE THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIRECT CONTACTS BETWEEN SOVIET AND CUBAN ENTERPRISES CAN RESULT IN A CONSIDERABLE INCREASE OF TRADE AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES".

BURLIAI POINTED TO THE NOTABLE ROLE PLAYED BY CUBA IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

"ELECTED TO THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL, CUBA DEMONSTRATES THE CONSTRUCTIVE CHARACTER OF ITS FOREIGN POLICY. WE MAINTAIN INTERACTION WITH CUBAN COMRADES CONCERNING ALL PROBLEMS OF IMPORTANCE FOR THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD AND WILL SEEK TO FURTHER DEVELOP THIS INTERACTION".

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MOSCOW (OCT 15) TASS - PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV TODAY RECEIVED A GROUP OF VISITING CANADIAN AND U.S. BUSINESSMEN.

THE MEETING WAS HELD IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF "WELL-WISHING, MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND SINCERE INTEREST".

THE BUSINESSMEN INCLUDED ALBERT REICHMANN, PRESIDENT OF THE OLYMPIA AND YORK COMPANY, AND THE HEADS OF PENSION FUNDS OF MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN CORPORATIONS -- P. ALDRICH, R. BURNS, T. CROFT, R. CAVANO, W. DECK, D. DUTSON, B. EAGLE, S. HUDSON-WILSON, M. PALMER, H. OCHOA-BRILLEMBURG, R. OLSON, AND K. PATTERSON.

THE PENSION FUNDS ALONE CONTROL A TOTAL OF THREE THOUSAND BILLION DOLLARS.

AT THE BUSINESSMEN'S REQUEST, GORBACHEV COMMENTED ON MAJOR PROBLEMS FACING PERESTROIKA AND SPOKE ABOUT PRINCIPLES OF ECONOMIC STABILISATION AND THE TRANSITION TO A MARKET ECONOMY, AND PROSPECTS FOR THE COUNTRY'S REORGANISATION.

SPECIFICALLY, HE SPOKE ABOUT THE NEED TO COMBINE "ALL- IMPORTANT CRITERIA OF THE COUNTRY'S ORGANIC PARTICIPATION IN WORLD DEVELOPMENT AND A THOROUGH ACCOUNT OF ITS HISTORICAL PECULIARITY AND PECULIARITIES OF SOCIETY".

THE SIDES DISCUSSED POSSIBILITIES FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION IN THE NEW CONDITIONS, WHICH INCLUDE LEGAL GUARANTEES FOR THE ACTIVITY OF FOREIGN INVESTORS AND BUSINESSMEN, ACCEPTED THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

THE BUSINESSMEN EXPRESSED THEIR READINESS TO ESTABLISH MUTUALLY ADVANTAGEOUS TIES WITH AND RENDER CONSULTATIVE AND OTHER SERVICES TO SOVIET ORGANISATIONS.

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#90288u0089 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (OCT. 15) UPI - Worshipers crowded into famed St. Basil's Cathedral to celebrate the first religious service in Red Square in 70 years.

The multicolored, onion-domed St. Basil's, even more of a symbol of Russia than the Kremlin, had been empty of religious congregations since 1918 when it was made into a historical museum.

But in the new religious freedom of perestroika, authorities consented to allow Russian Orthodox believers to hold services periodically in the 16th

century cathdedral.

Worshippers Saturday night crowded into the dazzling landmark while others stood outside in cobble-stoned Red Square.

Then Sunday morning as bells chimed, Patriarch Aleksii II, the head of the Russian Orthodox Church, led a procession of Moscow clergy around the church in Red Square.

Inside, the patriarch then celebrated the Orthodox holiday of Intercession, marking a vision by believers of the Virgin Mary who spread her cover over the Christians fighting a battle to save Constantinople in the 10th century.

Called St. Basil's because one of its side altars contains the relics of the saint, the shrine is also known as the Intercession Cathedral.

St. Basil's was ordered built in 1555 by Czar Ivan the Terrible, who was so dazzled by structure that legend says the autocrat had the eyes of the two architects, Barma and Postnik, gouged out lest they produce anything more majestic.

Altered and burned down many times, St. Basil's has had a dramatic history. Napoleon, who invaded Moscow in 1812, ordered the cathedral burned down but the plans were not carried out. Instead Muscovites burned down their entire city to force Napoleon from the capital.

On taking power in November 1917, the communists closed thousands of churches and eventually converted St. Basil's into a state historical museum.

Rumors circulated in the late 1940s that dictator Josef Stalin was going to dynamite the church in the same way that he razed Christ the Savior Cathedral, destroying what was Moscow's second most beautiful shrine. Today, it is the site of Moscow's large outdoor swimming pool.

Believers who got wind of Stalin's plans laid down in front of St. Basil's to prevent the dynamite charges from being set off.

A group of believers has asked the government to give back the cathedral to the church. So far, secular authorities have consented to periodic religious services.

As part of the religious reawakening in the country, believers are also collecting money to rebuild the Christ the Saviour Cathedral razed by Stalin.

A freedom of conscience law passed last month allows the church to set up its own schools and to engage in charity work. It also guarantees separation of church and state, and ends the state funding of atheist propaganda.

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#90288u0093 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 15) UPI - Less than a week ago it was announced that composer-conductor Leonard Bernstein was retiring from the concert stage for health reasons. On Sunday night, he died at his home in Manhattan... with his doctor and son at his bedside. A private funeral is planned. Bernstein was the first American-born musician to become music director of a major American symphony, the New York Philharmonic Orchestra. He remained active as its director laureate for more than two decades after his retirement in 1969.

Two Las Vegas Strip hotel-casinos were aired out and operations have resumed after 107 gamblers and tourists were overcome by an apparent release of sewer gas Sunday. Hospital officials say most of the people were treated and released. Health officials say a sewer line problem was reported east of the Strip earlier and may have been related to the later incidents at the resorts.

NO one was injured Sunday night in the crash of a Marine Corps helicopter in Glen Ellyn, Illinois... west of Chicago. A White House spokesman says the accident occurred as the chopper was practicing for the arrival of President Bush on Tuesday. The spokesman says the crash will NOT affect the president's campaign appearance on behalf of Republican gubernatorial candidate Jim Edgar.

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#90288u0095 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
LAHORE, PAKISTAN (OCT. 15) UPI - President Ghulam Ishaq Khan acted legally last August when he sacked Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and her Cabinet and dissolved the National Assembly, Pakistan's high court ruled.

''The presidential order dissolving the National Assembly and directing that the prime minister and the Cabinet shall cease to hold office forthwith was validly passed,'' the court said Sunday in its ruling from the northeastern city of Lahore.

Ishaq Khan dismissed Bhutto's 20-month-old administration Aug. 6 on grounds of corruption, nepotism and of failing to control law and order. He appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi as interim prime minister until elections Oct. 24.

Bhutto's Pakistan Peoples Party challenged the order as unconstitutional in the high courts in Lahore and in the southern city of Karachi. The Karachi court has not announced its decision.

''We find that the president was justified in forming the opinion that the government of the federation could not be carried on in accordance with the provisions of the constitution and that an appeal to the electorate was necessary,'' the Lahore court said.

The PPP is expected to appeal the decision in the supreme court but the ruling is a setback to her hopes of returning to power in next week's elections.

Bhutto already faces charges of official misconduct before special disqualification courts that were set up by Ishaq Khan in what many believe was an attempt to bar her from the elections.

Bhutto denies the charges, but if found guilty she could be barred from politics for seven years.

Last week, authorities arrested her husband, businessman Asif Ali Zardari, on charges of kidnapping and extortion. Zardari, a PPP candidate for the National Assembly, was remanded to custody until Oct. 24.

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#90288u0102 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA (OCT. 15) UPI - Ethiopian government troops have won a series of convincing victories against northern rebels in recent weeks, President Mengistu Haile Mariam said in remarks reported by The Ethiopian Herald.

''The enemy was dealt a crushing blow by by the revolutionary armed forces and was forced to flee in disarray and humiliation,'' Mengistu said in the newspaper Sunday, confirming reports that government troops and planes were inflicting heavy casualties on Eritrean rebels.

The Eritrean People's Liberation Front has fought a fierce 29-year war aimed at winning back independence for coastal Eritrea, which was self-governed under an Ethiopian federation from 1952 to 1962.

The rebels made significant gains in February when they captured the vital Red Sea port of Massawa, 470 miles north of Addis Ababa, cutting off sea and road supplies to about 300,000 government soldiers 40 miles inland at Asmara.

Western diplomats who visited the area earlier this year said fighting and casualties had not been seen on such a scale since World War I. Hundreds of thousands are thought to have died in all-out, heavily mechanized battles.

Massawa is the only port in northern Ethiopia, and with it rebels held the key to feeding about 4 1/2 million people threatened with famine this year in Ethiopia this year.

Government troops, who still control the road out of Massawa, launched a major offensive in August to try to dislodge the EPLF.

Mengistu said the rebels tried to overstretch their armies by deploying

soldiers on multiple fronts, in collusion with the country's other rebel force the Tigray People's Liberation Front, a hardline Marxist organization from central Ethiopia.

But the tactic failed, Mengistu told the Herald, the country's English language daily.

An EPLF spokesman said last week that government claims of victories were false.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd leveled some of the toughest language yet at Saddam Hussein Sunday. At a news conference in Cairo, Egypt, Hurd said the Iraqi president has a choice- withdraw from Kuwait voluntarily or ''at the point of a gun.'' Hurd sidestepped questions about last week's killing of Palestinians by Israeli security forces. He said he wants to hear Israel's side first. Hurd is to travel to Israel Monday.

Actor Don Johnson averaged more than 95 miles-an-hour around a 147- mile course in the Florida Keys Sunday to win a boat race at the Marathon Offshore Challenge. It was the former ''Miami Vice'' star's first offshore racing victory since he won the 1988 world cup. Fellow actor Chuck Norris... a rookie on the Offshore Professional Tour... won in the Superboat class.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - The world music scene has lost a legend. Leonard Bernstein... as revered in Hollywood and on Broadway as he was in New York's Philharmonic Hall... is dead at the age of 72. The versatile composer, conductor, pianist, author and educator died Sunday evening at his Manhattan home. The cause of death was sudden cardiac arrest caused by lung failure. Only last week, Bernstein announced he was retiring from public performance because of ill health.

President Bush apparently is NOT the only leader whose popularity, according to newspaper polls, is suffering because of the Persian Gulf crisis. A survey released Monday in Japan's leading business newspaper finds Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu's popularity dropped five percentage points this month- mainly because of his slow response to the gulf crisis. It took Kaifu more than a month to put together a four-BILLION-dollar aid package for the international forces opposing Iraq, and for the Gulf states hurt by the economic sanctions.

Consumers in New York state pay two-and-a-half times more for electricity than those in Washington state. That's just one of the differences in American energy costs found by a University of Illinois study released Sunday. The

highest electric rates in the nation are in Alaska... followed by New York, New Jersey, New Hampshire and Connecticut. Electricity is cheapest in the water- or coal-rich western states of Washington, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Wyoming.

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#90288u0143 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 15) UPI - A Kawkawlin, Michigan, woman is NOT about to walk away from the 10- Million dollars she and her husband thought they won last week. On Friday, McDonald's announced Thelma Bellows as a big winner in its ''McMillions'' contest. Then a few hours later, the company said Bellows had been disqualified because her daughter is a McDonald's employee. Bellows says she and her husband may sue to challenge the decision because the daughter NO longer lives at home.

Talk-show host Joan Rivers- better known for dodging brickbats- was handed a bouquet by fashion designer Mr. Blackwell, who thinks she's the best-dressed television personality. Rivers also gets the vote for ''Best-Dressed Daytime Hostess'' in Blackwell's list of the best- and worst-dressed stars Other winners- ''Knots Landing's'' Nicollete Sheridan and ''thirtysomething's'' Ken Olin. Losers include Oprah Winfrey, Heather Locklear and Bill Cosby.

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#90288u0168 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 15) UPI - The Chicago Blackhawks have played four seasons of hockey since the last time they beat the Calgary Flames, and Sunday Chicago came up short again.

This time it took two third-period goals by Gary Suter and Joel Otto and a controversial call by referee Dan Marouelli for the Flames to rally past the Blackhawks for a 3-1 victory. Chicago now has an 0-11-2 record against Calgary dating back to Feb. 23, 1986, when the Blackhawks beat the Flames at Chicago Stadium.

Chicago goaltender Ed Belfour, undefeated in four starts going into the game, tried to stop the Flames singlehandedly. Belfour stoned Calgary until the third period, playing especially well during the first half of the game when the Blackhawks were outshot 16-4.

Early in the game Doug Gilmour walked right in on Belfour and shot from point-blank range. Belfour made a brilliant save, then covered the rebound just before Joe Nieuwendyk could swoop in for the kill.

Chris Chelios gave the Blackhawks a 1-0 lead at 2:26 of the third period with a power-play goal. Jeremy Roenick carried the puck in and shoveled a backhander that goaltender Rick Wamsley blocked, but Chelios pounced on the

rebound and poked it through for his second goal of the season.

''We didn't generate much offense for much of the game,'' Blackhawks Coach Mike Keenan said.

''We had some momentum gained to that point.''

That momentum shifted when Suter's first of the year tied the score at 4:57. Suter's goal came on a power play when he connected on a low slap shot from the blue line that Belfour apparently never saw.

''That was a big goal because we got ourselves back in right away,'' Flames Coach Doug Risebrough said.

Otto then put the Flames ahead at 8:59, banging in a rebound from the slot after Belfour stopped Jamie Macoun's slap shot. The goal was Otto's first this season.

Chicago's Wayne Presley appeared to tie the score with 8:26 left, but Marouelli disallowed it because the Calgary net was knocked off its moorings. A new rule would have allowed the goal if the referee ruled the defensive team knocked the net off deliberately.

''I suppose they judged Chicago knocked the net off the mooring,'' Keenan said. ''If that's the case, then it shouldn't have counted. If Calgary knocked it off, then it should have counted. I'm not exactly sure of his interpretation.''

Paul Ranheim of the Flames closed out the scoring with empty-net goal with a second left.

Elsewhere in the NHL, Vancouver edged Edmonton 5-4 in overtime; and Los Angeles beat St. Louis 4-1.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Canucks 5, Oilers 4, OT

At Vancouver, Petri Skriko snapped home a rebound from the edge of the crease at 1:32 of overtime to lift the Canucks. Dave Capuano and Dan Quinn each scored a goal and added two assists to pace the Canucks, while Esa Tikkanen had a hat trick for the Oilers.

Kings 4, Blues 1

At Inglewood, Calif., Tomas Sandstrom deflected in a power-play goal with 3:44 left in the second period to snap a tie and Luc Robitaille scored his 200th career goal. Bob Kudelski and Dave Taylor also scored for Los Angeles. Geoff

Courtnall scored for St. Louis. Kings goalie Kelly Hrudey made 42 saves.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

St. Louis	1	0	0	--1
Los Angeles	1	1	2	--4

First period-1, St. Louis, Courtnall 4 (Brown, Joseph), pp, 10:25. 2, Los Angeles, Taylor 1 (Elik, Duchesne), pp, 13:44.

Penalties-MacLean, St.L, double minor, 1:30; Chapdelaine, LA, 10:10; Marois, St.L, major-minor (fighting), 11:11; Miller, LA, major-minor (fighting), 11:11; Brown, St.L, 12:50; Buskas, LA, 14:18; Brind'Amour, St.L, 15:53; Kudelski, LA, 15:53; Jones, LA, 15:53; MacLean, St.L, 17:42.

Second period-3, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 3 (Blake, Gretzky), pp, 16:16. Penalties-Raglan, St.L, 3:41; Buskas, LA, 3:41; Miller, LA, double minor, 5:31; Kudelski, LA, 13:06; P. Cavallini, St.L, 15:44; D. Smith, LA, 19:10.

Third period-3, Los Angeles, Kudelski 4 (unassisted), 8:40. 4, Los Angeles, Robitaiile 4 (Elik), 14:15.

Penalties-Granato, LA, 13:46; Courtnall, St.L, minor and major (fighting), 15:47; Blake, LA, major (fighting), 15:47; G. Cavallini, St.L, 18:18.

Shots on goal-St. Louis 13-15-15-43. Los Angeles 8-7-8-23.

Power-play conversions-St. Louis 8-1. Los Angeles 7-2.

Goaltenders-St. Louis, Joseph. Los Angeles, Hrudey. A-13,777.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Edmonton	1	2	1	0--4
Vancouver	1	1	2	1--5

First period-1, Vancouver, Linden 4, (Capuano, Quinn), 0:43. 2, Edmonton, Tikkanen 1, (S. Smith, Messier), 14:29.

Penalties-Beukeboom, Edm, 3:42; Lidster, Vcr, 6:32; Capuano, Vcr, 10:04; Semenov, Edm, 11:14; Lowe, Edm, 13:16; Lumme, Vcr, 13:16; Bradley, Vcr, 15:47; Linseman, Edm, 16:34; Butcher, Vcr, 16:34.

Second period-3, Edmonton, Simpson 2, (Huddy, Messier), 1:56. 4, Vancouver, Capuano 2, (Lumme, Quinn), pp, 9:32. 5, Edmonton, Tikkanen 2, (Semenov), 13:49.

Penalties-MacTavish, Edm, 8:31; Messier, Edm, 8:56; Nordmark, Vcr, 11:32; Graves, Edm, major (fighting), 18:34; Sandlak, Vcr, major (fighting), 18:34; Lowe, Edm, 19:57.

Third period-6, Vancouver, Quinn 2, (Capuano, Plavsic), pp, 1:33. 7, Edmonton, Tikkanen 3, (S. Smith, Semenov), 15:55. 8, Vancouver, Adams 2, (Butcher, Skriko), 17:44.

Penalties-None.

Overtime-9, Vancouver, Skriko 2, (Larionov, Adams), 1:32. Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Edmonton 6-12-9-0-27. Vancouver 10-13-12-2-37.

Power-play conversions-Edmonton 4-0. Vancouver 5-2.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Randord. Vancouver, Gamble. A-15,059.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

Calgary	0	0	3--3
Chicago	0	0	1--1

First period-No scoring.

Penalties-Cgy (served by M.Hunter), 1:56; Macoun, Cgy, 2:40; Grimson, Chi, 13:59.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Peluso, Chi, major (butt-ending)-game misconduct, 4:41; Suter, Cgy, 7:52; Roberts, Cgy, misconduct, 17:18; McGill, Chi, misconduct, 17:18.

Third period-1, Chicago, Chelios 2 (Roenick, Belfour), pp, 2:24. 2, Calgary, Suter 1 (MacInnis, Gilmour), pp, 4:57. 3, Calgary, Otto 1 (Macoun, Hrdina), 8:49. 4, Calgary, Ranheim 3 (unassisted), 19:59.

Penalties-Suter, Cgy, 1:54; Murray, Chi, 3:01; Graham, Chi, 5:54; Fleury, Cgy, 10:31; Chelios, Chi, 10:31; Otto, Cgy, 12:09; Gilmour, Cgy, 19:19; Roenick, Chi, 19:19.

Shots on goal-Calgary 10-7-11-28. Chicago 4- 9-6-19.

Power-play conversions-Calgary 5-1. Chicago 5-1.

Goalies-Calgary, Wamsley. Chicago, Belfour. A-17,542.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - Saudi Arabia has discovered vast new deposits of high-quality crude oil in previously unexplored areas that may boost the Persian Gulf nation's official reserves by 20 percent, it was reported Monday.

The Washington Post said the exploration program that led to discovery of the new reserves in central Saudi Arabia began more than one year before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Saudi officials are willing to speak about the new finds, despite the gulf crisis, because they hope to send a signal to the nervous world oil market that the long-term outlook for supplies of Persian Gulf oil is good, the Post reported.

The new reserves, providing the early indications prove true, reportedly would allow Saudi Arabia to pump crude at its present rate or better far into 22nd century.

Senior officials in the state-owned Saudi Aramco oil company told the newpaper that the discovery was significant, and that the firm has also drilled succcessful wells in the trackless ''empty quarters'' of southeastern Saudi Arabia that currently are not being tapped because they are too far from any pipeline.

Saudi Aramco officials would not disclose details of the extent of the new find, saying they wanted to make certain of the size of the reserves before attempting to publicly quantify them.

Some oil economists in the United States downplayed the significance of the findings, telling the newspaper Saudi Arabia already has 257.5 billion barrels of proven reserves. That figure is 2.5 times as much as Iraq, the next biggest oil producer, and 10 times the reserves of the United States.

Oil economists told the Post the finding was akin to finding more water in the ocean.

But word of the newly discovered reserves spread quickly to Japan, where stock prices on the widely watched Nikkei average shot up more than 3 percent Monday buoyed both by a stronger yen and the report from Saudi Arabia.

Buying was spread across the board, with utilities benefiting particularly from the report of newly discovered oil.

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#90288u0219 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 15) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International. .

Composer-conductor Leonard Bernstein died last night at his New York home days after retiring from public performances because of ill health. Bernstein was one of the world's most sought-after orchestra conductors. He introduced a generation of Americans to classical music with his televised ''Young People's Concerts.''

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein met in Baghdad yesterday with P-L-O chief Yasser Arafat to discuss linking the Persian Gulf crisis with the conflict in the Israeli-occupied territories. Most Arab leaders reject tying Iraq's August 2nd invasion of Kuwait with the 42-year-old Palestinian problem.

Saddam got a sharp warning from British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd. During a visit to Cairo, Egypt, yesterday, Hurd said the Iraqi leader may either leave Kuwait voluntarily or- as Hurd put it- ''at the point of a gun.'' Hurd also rejected linking the gulf crisis to the Israel-Palestinian conflict.

The Israeli cabinet has voted aginst co-operating with a U-N team investigating the deaths last Monday of at least 20 Palestinians in Jerusalem's Old City. Israel's foreign minister says recognizing the U-N team would raise questions about Israeli sovereignty over Jerusalem. The decision means Israel will NOT provide information to the three-member U-N commission.

The Nobel Committee, appointed by Norway's lawmakers to award the Nobel Peace Prize, is keeping silent about a possible winner. The winner will be named today. Norway's news media picked Soviet leader Gorbachev as a favorite. There is speculation the independent Nobel committee will withhold the prize this year due to the Persian Gulf conflict.

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#90288u0224 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 15) UPI - Worshippers jammed St. Basil's Cathedral in Moscow yesterday to mark the first religious service in Red Square in 70 years. Soviet officials consented to allow Russian Orthodox believers to hold services periodically in the 16th century church. St. Basil had been empty of religious congregations since 1918 when it was made into a historical museum.

Sunday proved to be a good day for German Chancellor Kohl as his Christian Democratic Union sailed to victory in four of five states that once were East Germany. Kohl and his C-D-U party are already riding a wave of popularity for Kohl's role in bringing about the October 3rd reunification of East and West Germany.

South African black leader Nelson Mandela arrived in India today on a five-day visit. Mandela told crowds in New Delhi it has long been his ambition to visit the homeland of non-violent independence leader Mohandas ''Mahatma'' Gandhi. In a last minute change of plans, Winnie Mandela did NOT accompany her husband on his Asian tour.

The Cambodian government accused U-S officials of talking with Cambodian dance troupe members to urge them to defect. The Vietnamese- backed Cambodian government has been embarrassed by the defection of four dancers this month during the first tour of the United States by cultural representatives of the government.

Officials say about 50 people were arrested yesterday when violence erupted during a celebration of Central Michigan University's football win over Western Michigan. Mount Pleasant police say some 80 officers responded when revelers set fires and threw rocks at police. Five officers suffered cuts requiring medical treatment.

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#90288u0246 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (OCT. 15) UPI - Residents of coastal Thailand were warned Monday to watch for tidal waves created by a serious earthquake under the Indian Ocean.

Samit Thammasarot, director of the Thai Meteorological Department, said a quake measuring 6.5 on the open-ended Richter scale occurred Monday in the Indian Ocean about 750 miles From the Thai coast.

''As a result of the tremor, there may be tidal waves measuring 1 to 2 meters high arriving at the western coast of Thailand .. today,'' he said.

There were no immediate reports of any unusual waves hitting the coast.

The U.S. Geological Survey's National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colo., said its preliminary measurement of the quake's magnitude was 6.6 on the Richter scale.

It placed the center of the temblor, which struck at 9:36 p.m. EDT Sunday, at 600 miles off the coast of Sumatra and 850 miles west of Singapore. U.S.G.S. spokeswoman Rebecca Phipps in Reston, Va., said the quake occurred in a remote area far from land and said no damage or casualties were expected.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 15) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev missed a deadline Monday to present a compromise economic reform plan, further delaying

consideration of the blueprint by Parliament.

Gorbachev and other officials have been struggling to come up with an acceptable overall plan for the transition to a free market economy since September, when two radically different proposals were put forward.

The last time the issue of economic reform came up in Parliament, deputies ordered Gorbachev to present a compromise plan Oct. 15.

But at the meeting of the Parliament Monday, Supreme Soviet Chairman Anatoly Lukyanov announced that the economic plan was not on the agenda for the day. Deputies instead were to listen to a report from Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and the first reading of a bill on regulation of foreign currency transactions.

On Saturday, Gorbachev met with the heads of most of the 15 Soviet republics to discuss a draft economic transition plan. The local leaders endorsed the plan in principle, but ''made many suggestions for improvement,'' the official Tass news agency said.

The independent Interfax news service said its parliamentary correspondent had been told Gorbachev had not yet signed the draft economic plan, but that it might be signed later Monday.

Lukyanov told Parliament the plan may be discussed in parliamentary committees Tuesday. Debate in Parliament could begin Thursday with a vote possible Saturday, he said.

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#90288u0311 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (OCT. 15) UPI - Main opposition leader Kim Dae Jung, on the eighth day of a hunger strike to promote a series of political demands, was moved to a hospital Monday because of declining health.

Kim will be under close medical attention at Severance Hospital in Seoul, where he will continue his protest against the government, aides said.

Kim started fasting Sept. 8, demanding that President Roh Tae-woo drop a plan to switch to a parliamentary cabinet form of government through constitutional amendment, that he implement promised local autonomy without delay, and that he keep the military out of politics.

Kim, 65, had been staging the hunger strike at the headquarters of his Party for Peace and Democracy. He moved to the hospital after his doctors and top members of his party advised him to do so, the aides said.

He has lost 9.5 pounds since he began the fast and his blood pressure has been

gradually falling, the aides said. He was so weak that he had to be carried on a stretcher to the ambulance that took him to the hospital, according to the aides.

Kim, who unsuccessfully opposed Roh in the December 1987 race for the presidency, wants to have another shot at the office under the current presidential system. He believes local self-rule, when implemented, will bolster support for his party.

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#90288u0480 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Compaq Computer Corp. planned to introduce Monday a new laptop computer that uses aerospace and defense industry technology to make it the ''world's highest performance'' notebook personal computer.

Compaq said its Compaq LTE 386s/20 has a 60-megabyte, 3/4-inch high fixed disk drive, credit-card size memory cards and miniature power supply that allow its 8 1/2-inch by 11-inch by 2 1/4-inch size.

The new computer is small enough to carry in a briefcase, but as powerful as many desktop computers, Compaq said.

The Compaq LTE 386s/20 weighs 7 1/2 pounds with the battery.

''PC users can now carry the power and functionality of a 386SX computer anywhere, anytime,'' said Mike Swavley, president of Compaq's North America division.

Houston-based Compaq said the new 20-megahertz, 386SX processor-based notebook is the first computer to use a printed circuit board technology called Regal Flex ''in a revolutionary new way.''

Regal Flex originally was developed by Teledyne Electro-Mechanisms for aerospace and defense industry applications such as cruise missle guidance systems and stealth fighter instrument panels.

Compaq used Regal Flex to create a single, central circuit board for the Compaq LTE 386s/20 that starts as an 8-inch by 11-inch sheet, snaps apart at key points and folds into a compact, multiplaned part that ends up 4 3/4 inches by 6 inches by 1 1/2 inches.

Also with the design, all standard board connectors are eliminated except cable connectors for a 1.44-megabyte diskette drive and fixed disk drive. The only other standard cables in the system are integral to self-contained sub-assemblies such as the keyboard and display, Compaq said.

Regal Flex initially was developed to save space and weight and ensure greater

reliability of circuit boards by eliminating separate, detachable cables in favor of flexible interconnections.

''In the compact space the Compaq LTE 386s/20 board occupies, Compaq engineers were able to incorporate 20 integrated circuits, 10 Compaq- designed application specific integrated circuits and a remarkable number of components '' the company said.

The 3/4-inch high, 2 1/2-inch fixed disk drive in the new computer is the first drive of its size - about the same as a deck of playing cards - in a 60-megabyte capacity, or able to hold 30,000 typewritten pages, Compaq said.

''This device, despite its small size, matches the performance of drives available in desktop PCs with its less than 19-second millisecond access time '' the company said.

The drive also is available in a 30-megabyte capacity.

The computer has optional 1- and 4-megabyte memory cards that can be used to expand the memory to 10 megabytes.

Compaq said the power supply in the Compaq LTE 386s/20 is about the size of a large pack of chewing gum, but is 90 percent efficient with 10 percent of its energy dissipated as heat.

The suggested retail price for the 60-megabyte model is $6,999, while the 30-megabyte version is $6,499. The suggested resale price of an available desktop expansion base is $1,499.

Both products are to begin shipping this month to authorized Compaq dealers worldwide, the company said.

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TOKYO (OCT. 15) UPI - Japan's crude steel production in September increased 4.2 percent over a year ago to 9.076 million tons, retaining the 9 million-ton level for the third straight month, the Japan Iron and Steel Federation reported Monday.

The federation said output for the second quarter ending Sept. 30 totaled 27.421 million tons, up 2.8 percent over a year ago and the highest since the like 1979 quarter.

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#90288u0502 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 15) UPI - Famed composer, conducter and pianist Leonard Bernstein died

last night at his New York City home just days after he gave up public performances because of ill health. He was 72. Bernstein was the first American-born music director of a major U-S symphony orchestra, the New York Philharmonic. He took over the baton at the Philharmonic in 1959, conducting more concerts with that orchestra than any maestro in its history.

The Washington Post says Saudi Arabia has discovered vast new deposits of high-quality crude oil in areas previously UNexplored. The oil-find may boost Saudi oil reserves by 20 percent. The newspaper says Saudi officials willingly discussed the new find, hoping to show a nervous world oil market the long-term outlook is good for Persian Gulf oil.

Britain's Foreign Office says ex-pop star Cat Stevens appealed for release by Iraq of four British Moslems who are expected to return to London today. Officials say the men were on a pilgrimage to Islamic holy sites in Iraq when Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2nd. Stevens... who converted to Islam and changed his name to Yusuf Islam... was in Baghdad to appeal for the release of Westerners and urge a peaceful end to the Persian Gulf crisis.

News reports from Japan indicate Tokyo's government has decided sending troops to help U-N-backed peacekeeping efforts is constitutional. The Japanese government plans to introduce a bill tomorrow reflecting the new stand. The reports say that if Japanese lawmakers agree, Japanese troops may assume non-combat duties with multi-national forces in the Persian Gulf. The Japanese Foreign Ministry refused to comment on the reports.

NO one was injured when a Marine helicopter crashed last night in Illinois while practicing for the arrival of President Bush. White House spokesman Douglas Davidson says a foreign object was sucked into the rotor or engine of the chopper on landing at the College of DuPage, near Chicago. Bush is scheduled to appear tomorrow on behalf of Republican gubernatorial candidate Jim Edgar.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - The National Institute of Justice approved a 15-thousand-dollar grant for a University of Florida study to determine the psychological impact of the Gainesville slayings. The Washington D-C-based institute says the money will pay for an agreement that, in part, will help prepare a technical assistance guide for police across the country that face similar crimes. The bodies of five students were found stabbed to death in late August in Gainesville.

Residents of coastal Thailand are warned to watch out for giant waves created by a serious earthquake under the Indian Ocean. Thai scientists report a quake measuring six-point-five on the open-ended Richter scale occurred today in the Indian Ocean, 750 miles from the coast of Thailand. So far, there have been NO

reports of unusual waves hitting the coast.

Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens took a team to Kenya today in a surprise attempt to end two weeks of civil war in the east African nation of Rwanda. Martens said before leaving Brussels his government recently set up contacts that might help end the fighting. Martens and two of his senior cabinet members were expected to meet with Rwanda's president later today. It was NOT clear whether rebel leaders would attend the talks.

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#90288u0529 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 15) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange surged more than 3 percent in thin trading Monday boosted by a stronger Japanese yen and reports of a vast new oil field.

The closely watched Nikkei Average of 225 selected shares, which eased 195.47 points Friday, climbed 719.04 points - or 3.2 percent - to 23,109.20.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, a measure of all shares traded on the exchange, jumped 42.64 points to 1,706.33. TOPIX had fallen 7.99 points Friday.

Volume crept up as an estimated 350 million shares changed hands, compared with 323 million shares Friday.

Adnaces overpowered declines 798 to 178, while 98 issues remained unchnaged.

Analysts said the swift rise of the Japanese yen against the U.S. dollar eased interest-rate worries and sparked the first stock rally in four trading sessions.

On the Tokyo Foreign Exchange, the dollar fell 1.15 yen to 128.15 yen.

A stronger yen has taken some pressure off Japanese prices, helping the bond market to recover, analysts said.

The dollar has plunged 7 percent against the yen in the last two weeks.

The market was further bolstered by news reports that Saudi Arabia had discovered a vast new oil field that would increase its reserves by 20 percent said Judith Rawnsley, an analyst with Baring Securities.

Buying was spread across the board, with utilities benefiting particularly from the report of newly discovered oil.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange were stagnant as investors displayed caution due to uncertain market conditions.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which gained 30.85 points Friday, added 1.12 points to 2,916.38.

Among the narrower indexes, properties dropped 12.12 points, financials added 5.41, industrials gained 3.71 and utilities rose 1.08 point.

Volume totaled an estimated 597 million shares, down from the 657 million shares changing hands Friday.

''The market was really quiet because of all the uncertainties,'' said Albert Leung of Chin Tung Investments.

''Not only the Gulf situation, but for Hong Kong there has been an impasse between Beijing and the Hong Kong government about a proposed bridge to be built here.''

In Singapore, stocks closed higher on the Singapore Stock Exchange bolstered by the rebound in Tokyo and selective bargain hunting.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which gained 14.87 points Friday, added another 4.16 points to 1,098.43. The broader-based All Singapore Index rose 1.32 points to 306.40.

An estimated 19.5 million shares changed hands, compared with 35.7 million shares Friday.

Analysts said the market's grossly oversold position led to technical rebound which started last Friday after four straight days of losses, and continued Monday.

Investors were bargain hunting throughout the day on selected blue chips which had fallen to attractive levels, analysts said.

Late afternoon profit-taking, however, eroded some of the gains.

On the trading floor, Development Bank of Singapore paced the advancing issues followed by Genting Berhad and Fraser and Neave ordinary shares.

Singapore Fodder led the declining issues followed by Haw Par and Jurong Shipyard.

In Bangkok, stocks closed higher in moderate trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which eased 2.06 points Friday, rebounded 10.38 points to 652.75.

An estimated 1.4 billion shares changed hands, compared with 1.2 billion shares Friday.

Advances outpaced declines 114 to 25 with the best-performing stocks in the banking, commerce and finance sectors.

Kitti Kerati-Thamkul, a vice president of Mithai Europartners Finance and Securities Co., Ltd. said speculation ''that Iraq would withdraw troops from Kuwait and improvements on world stock markets caused prices to move up in the last hour of the session.''

Elsewhere around the region, in Manila, stocks closed slightly lower in light trading on the Manila Stock Exchange.

The Manila Composite Stock Index of 25 selected issues slipped 7.73 points to 537.45.

In Taipei, stocks closed sharply higher as investors extended their winning streak to three straight on the Taiwan Stock Exchange.

The Taiwan Weighted Index, which rose 35.20 points Saturday, climbed another 32.75 points to 2,688.6.

In Seoul, stocks closed sharply higher in active trading on the Korean Stock Exchange as local investors boosted the Korean Composite Stock Index 19.44 points to 646.39.

In Australia, stocks closed lower in active trading on the Sydney Sharemarket despite a 1 percent cut in the official lending rate by the Australian Reserve Bank.

The All Ordinaries Index, which fell 15.0 points Friday, lost 4.8 points to 1,321.4.

An estimated 60.1 million shares chnaged hands, compared with 81.2 million shares Friday.

Analysts expressed disappointment with the market's performance, which opened sharply higher following a decision by Australian's Central Bank to ease monetary policy and reduce domestic interest rates by a percentage point.

On the trading floor, News Corp. slipped 36 cents to $5.18.

Elsewhere, Elders IXL slipped 2 cents to $1.21, WMC slipped 1 cent to $4.09, Santos lost 17 cents to $4.77.

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#90288u0605 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 15) UPI - Soviet President Gorbachev has won the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize. The Norwegian Nobel Committee in Oslo gave the award to Gorbachev despite his opposition to independence for the Baltic states... which have close ties to Norway.

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The road at home in Moscow for Gorbachev remains rough. He missed today's deadline for presenting a compromise economic reform plan. Gorbachev has been struggling to come up with a plan acceptable to Parliament.

Israel rejects a U-N investigation of the recent deaths of Palestinians in East Jerusalem as a challenge to Israeli sovereignty. Most nations... including the United States... view East Jerusalem as occupied territory seized by Israel.

Japan's administration has reportedly changed course and decided that it may legally contribute troops to U-N-backed peace-keeping forces. The decision may pave the way for Japanese troops to play a NON-combat role in the Middle East.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein attempted to link the Kuwait and Palestinian issues yesterday in Baghdad at a meeting with P-L-O chief Yasser Arafat. Egypt's foreign minister said Palestine is an Arab-Israeli matter but Kuwait is an Arab- Arab dispute.

Tens of thousands of Sudanese marched through the streets of Khartoum yesterday to protest the Israeli shootings of Palestinians and the Western military build-up in the Persian Gulf. The march was organized by an extremist government-sponsored group.

Pakistan's Supreme Court has ruled the country's president acted legally in August when he sacked Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and dissolved the National Assembly. The court ruled that Bhutto's government was NOT carrying out its responsibilities.

Residents of coastal Thailand are warned to watch for heavy surf created by a strong earthquake under the Indian Ocean. Thai forecasters say the quake measuring six-point-five on the Richter scale today could cause waves of more than six feet.

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#90288u0614 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
HOUSTON (OCT. 15) UPI - Domestic and offshore drilling in the Gulf of Mexico both declined last week, industry monitors reported.

Baker Hughes Inc. reported 1,056 rotary rigs working in the United States last

week, compared with 1,064 the prior week and 981 the same week a year ago.

Three fewer rigs were working in the Gulf of Mexico, Offshore Data Services Inc. reported Sunday. The change dropped the utilization rate to 65.1 percent, with 138 rigs working out of a fleet of 212.

Activity was unchanged in European waters, where the utilization rate remained a strong 94.2 percent last week, with 130 rigs working out of a fleet of 138.

The decrease in gulf activity lowered worldwide activity by an equal amount, causing the total utilization rate to dip slightly to 81.6 percent, with 547 rigs working out of a fleet of 670.

Other relevant rig counts included Louisiana, 147 last week, 142 the week before and 139 the same week a year ago; New Mexico, 63, 61 and 45; Oklahoma, 128, 130 and 135; Texas, 357, 360 and 291; and Canada, 131, 113 and 126.

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#90288u0632 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 15) UPI - Belgium's prime minister flew to Kenya today in a surprise effort to end two weeks of civil war in the east African country of Rwanda. The former Belgian colony was invaded about two weeks ago by an army of exiled refugees in a fight with tribal overtones.

Newsweek magazine says New York City officials had time sheets changed to make it look like an 11-thousand-dollar headboard made for the mayor cost less.But a mayoral spokesman says carpenters merely broke down their expenses more accurately.

Union officials say Canadian autoworkers voted overwhelmingly this weekend to accept a settlement with General Motors of Canada. The pact calls for a three-percent wage hike the first year... followed by two- percent increases the next two years... plus cost-of-living protection.

Los Angeles County authorities say a woman in camouflage fatigues and her 11-year-old son... wearing women's clothing... were jailed today in the stabbing and shooting death of the woman's 78-year-old mother.

Snow in Oregon could block mountain passes this morning. This is one of the first snows this season to affect the passes in that region. Forecasters say up to six inches of snow may accumulate in Washington state.

Singapore's prime minister says Chinese pro-democracy protesters were surprised by repression last year because Western media did NOT put the protests in context. The prime minister says China does NOT have the U-S ties that helped revolts in the Philippines and South Korea.

Democrat Dianne Feinstein is challenging California's Republican Senator Pete Wilson's failure to attend the confirmation of Supreme Court Justice David Soute. Feinstein and Wilson are both running for governor. Wilson says if he hadN'T been in California, Feinstein would ''have the stage for herself.''

Comedian Bob Hope and former President Gerald Ford joined the citizens of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, to mark the 100th birthday of Dwight Eisenhower yesterday. Hope said Eisenhower ''NOT only represented America... he was America.''

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#90288u0651 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 15) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Sergeyevich Gorbachev, the career Communist and architect of revolutionary change that helped end the Cold War, was honored with the Nobel Peace Prize just as he faces perhaps the gravest domestic problems of his career.

The Soviet economy is in worse shape than any time since World War II and citizens are increasingly clamoring for long-awaited material results from perestroika, his campaign of political and economic reform.

Separatist movements in the Baltics and to a lesser extent in the rest of the 15 Soviet republics have forced a rethinking of what kind of union the Soviet Union is. Local leaders are demanding - and in some cases attempting to seize - much of the power previously held by the Communist central government.

But without Gorbachev's reforms, discussions of the economic problems would never have been so frank and declarations of sovereignty by the republics would have been unthinkable.

Gorbachev's ''new thinking,'' the removal of ideology from foreign affairs and the willingness to allow the breakup of the Soviet empire, have led to an end to the Cold War and a new Europe.

''To deny a nation the freedom of choice, regardless of the pretext or the verbal guise in which it is cloaked, is to upset the unstable balance that has been achieved at this point,'' Gorbachev said in a landmark speech to the United Nations Dec. 7, 1988. ''Freedom of choice is a universal principle. It knows no exceptions.''

But his willingness to let former East Bloc satellites to go their own way did not extend to his own rebellious republics. He declared illegal the declarations of independence by Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia and imposed an economic blockade on the Lithuanians, although the two sides have begun to talk about their future relations.

Separatist movements have spread from the Baltic states to the republics of

Azerbaijan and Armenia, and Soviet citizens clamor for material results from his campaign of political and economic reform known as perestroika.

As such, inside the Soviet Union, Gorbachev's star is fading along with the Communist Party. Polls show his popularity below such rivals as the maverick Boris Yeltsin, who gained a formidable power base when he was elected effective president of the huge Russian republic earlier this year.

From the Chernobyl nuclear disaster in 1986, when his policies of glasnost first began to gather support, through the December 1988 Armenian earthquake, when those policies allowed Moscow to reach out to the world for help, Gorbachev has embraced the affection of people from Berlin to Washington as no Soviet leader before him.

New York cabbies watched in awe as he stopped his motorcade and cheerfully raised his arms under the Coca-Cola sign in Times Square during his historic, Western-style trip to the United States in 1988. East German students hammering at the Berlin Wall in November 1989 raised his picture amid chants of ''Gorby! Gorby!''

But at home in the Soviet Union, domestic policies have threatened the president's future.

Meat, produce, sugar, other staples and household items are scarce and the maverick, give-'em-what-they-want politics of rivals like Boris Yeltsin are growing in their appeal to Soviet citizens. Freedom is important but for the average Soviet, it appears that a full stomach is more so.

Since his selection as Communist Party chairman March 11, 1985, Gorbachev has pioneered gestures of peace and cooperation with the West that have sparked speculation on when the Soviet Union again will be an acknowledged ally of the United States.

His negotiations with Presidents Bush and Reagan have led to substantial troop and weapons cuts in both East and West blocs. The Soviet Union's withdrawal from Afghanistan in 1989 removed the last major hurdle from thawing relations with the West.

Gorbachev has maintained a steadfast belief in communism and holds that the democratic shifts inside the Soviet Union and in Moscow's foreign policies are not threats to communism, but means of transforming an outdated communist system in need of fixing.

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#90288u0678 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 15) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev is now a Nobel Peace Prize winner. Norway's Nobel Committee cited Gorbachev for what it describes as

''his leading role in the world peace process.'' The panel said it wanted to ''honor Gorbachev for his many and decisive contributions'' to historic changes taking place between East and West.

Egyptian authorities report an American was among dozens of suspects held in the machine-gun slaying of Egypt's Parliament Speaker. Sources indicate dozens of men, including an Egyptian-born American, were nabbed at Cairo airport last night trying to leave Egypt. Security police say the assassination was the work of a well-organized terrorist group.

German Chancellor Kohl used his popularity in uniting the two Germanys to push the Christian Democratic Union and its Bavarian ally to victory in state elections. Officials results show the C-D-U won four of five former East German states in elections yesterday. The C-D-U's allied party in Bavaria retained an absolute majority.

South Africa police report an apparent new outbreak of factional unrest near Johannesburg. Police say seven blacks were killed and two others were wounded in fighting at a workers' compound. Officials say it was the worst clash near Johannesburg since last month, when a gang of blacks massacred commuters on a black passenger train, killing 26 people.

Police in a Los Angeles suburb have arrested a woman dressed in camouflage fatigues and her 11-year-old son dressed in female clothing in the slaying of the woman's mother. Police say the 78-year-old victim called the police and said she had been stabbed. A sheriff's deputy says while the woman was on the phone with police, ''deputies also heard gunshots.'' The victim was found dead in the house, where she had been stabbed and shot several times.

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#90288u0686 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 15) UPI - The rap group 2 Live Crew goes back to a Florida court today as jury selection continues in their oscenity trial at Fort Lauderdale. Defense lawyers argue there are NOT enough blacks to choose from in the potential jury pool. Prosecutors sought to bar fans of the group from the jury. The jury selection process is in its second week.

South Korean opposition leader Kim Dae Jung was hospitalized in Seoul on the eighth day of a hunger strike to promote his political demands. Aides say Kim lost nine and one-half pounds since he began fasting. Among other things, Kim demands that the military stay out of politics.

It looks like winter in the Cascade Mountains of Washington state and the National Service warned mountains passes in Oregon could by blocked by a major storm. Forecasters say total snow accumulation could reach six inches in the Cascade Mountains. They say cold air from the Gulf of Alaska may bring snow to mountains in Oregon.

Japan's Finance Ministry reports Tokyo's merchandise trade surplus wilted nearly four percent last month to six-point nine-BILLION dollars. Japanese officials blamed the drop on surging crude oil prices coupled with a 10 percent drop in Japan's trade surplus with the United States.

Soviet President Gorbachev missed today's deadline to present a compromise economic reform plan that will delaying consideration of the plan by Soviet lawmakers. The Soviet Parliament gave Gorbachev until today to map an accceptable strategy for transition to a free market economy. Gorbachev spent the weekend trying to work out a draft economic proposal.

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#90288u0696 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (OCT. 15) UPI - The manager of the New Kids on the Block denies he gave part ownership of the successful singing group to a convicted loan shark and reputed mobster in exchange for a $50,000 loan.

Maurice Starr said in Monday's Boston Herald the claim by a Brookline businessman is ''ludicrous,'' and said that ''everything I did was legitimate.''

Starr was responding to a federal bankruptcy suit in which Jeffrey Furst claimed that his business partner, James Martorano, loaned the money to Starr for a 25 percent interest in the youthful singing group.

The allegations were reported this weekend by WCVB-TV Channel 5.

Martorano, 48, has served time for being an accessory to murder, loansharking and fixing horse races. He was released from jail four years ago.

Martorano has been identified by law enforcement officials as a reputed mobster with ties to Howard Winter, reputed head of the Winter Hill Gang in Somerville.

Starr admitted he met Martorano ''once or twice'' at social events but never turned over any ownership in the New Kids to him.

Starr said he borrowed $175,000 from Furst to open a recording studio, but paid it back within a year at about 30 percent interest. He said he took out the mortgage with Furst because Furst came up with the money faster than the banks he applied at, even though Furst's rates were twice as high as the banks.

That mortage, Starr said, had nothing to do with the New Kids.

''He claims he gave me the money for the New Kids but that was not the deal,'' said Starr. ''The deal was, you don't pay us, you lose your house.''

''I'm trying to run a good clean business and this guy is trying to destroy me but I'm not going to let him do it,'' Starr said.

The allegations come at a time when the squeaky-clean image of the New Kids is taking a bath.

Two months ago a man claimed he was attacked by a New Kid body guard at a Quincy bar, and on Sept. 2 a Harvard student charged that he was attacked by group member Donnie Wahlberg on an airliner because he declined to give Wahlberg his seat.

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#90288u0707 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 12: Purchases of 415,404 shares and sales of 538,206 shares including 37,808 shares sold short.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	78	45	....
Anchorage sy	32	18	....
Asheville sy	78	42	....
Atlanta sy	82	56	....
Baltimore sy	77	45	....
Billings cy	57	40	....
Birmingham sy	82	52	....
Bismarck pc	56	29	.02
Boston sy	78	52	....
Brownsville pc	78	52	....
Buffalo pc	62	43	....
Burlington Vt. pc	65	45	....
Charleston S.C. sy	87	57	....
Charlotte sy	83	51	....
Chicago pc	61	41	.36
Cincinnati sy	65	42	....
Cleveland pc	61	40	....
Columbus Ohio sy	64	41	....
Dallas sy	87	65	....
Denver sy	72	38	....
Des Moines pc	65	45	....
Detroit pc	62	38	.02

Duluth pc	52	34	.07
El Paso f	85	51	....
Evansville sy	71	42	....
Fargo pc	54	32	....
Hartford sy	77	44	....
Honolulu sy	88	74	....
Houston pc	88	68	....
Indianapolis sy	66	41	....
Jackson Miss. sy	85	53	....
Jacksonville pc	87	58	....
Kansas City sy	70	50	....
Las Vegas sy	89	59	....
Little Rock sy	79	56	....
Los Angeles pc	75	61	....
Louisville sy	70	43	....
Memphis sy	79	53	....
Miami Beach pc	91	75	....
Milwaukee pc	60	42	.58
Minneapolis pc	60	39	....
Nashville sy	77	49	....
New Orleans sy	84	60	....
New York pc	76	53	....
Oklahoma City c	76	57	....
Omaha pc	67	41	....
Orlando pc	89	67	....
Philadelphia sy	76	47	....
Phoenix sy	93	65	....
Pittsburgh sy	65	42	....
Portland Me. pc	69	44	....
Portland Ore. sh	61	49	.31
Providence sy	77	48	....
Richmond sy	82	46	....
St. Louis sy	69	50	....
Salt Lake City pc	73	47	....
San Antonio pc	89	68	....
San Diego pc	71	62	....
San Francisco sy	70	55	....
San Juan sh	91	76	1.33
Seattle r	57	46	.91
Spokane r	50	40	.77
Tampa pc	87	69	....
Washington sy	78	50	....
Wichita sy	75	49	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair

fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90288u0771 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 15) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has won the Nobel Peace Prize. The Nobel Committee in Oslo, Norway, said Gorbachev instilled trust in international relations. It gave him credit for slowing the arms race and replacing confrontation with negotiation. President Bush sent congratulations to Gorbachev... describing him as a ''courageous force for peaceful change in the world.''

Japan has reportedly changed its stance on sending troops to the Persian Gulf. Today's report in a Japanese daily says Tokyo's administration has concluded that attaching soldiers to U-N-backed peacekeeping forces IS constitutional. The report says the government plans to introduce a bill tomorrow reflecting its new position.

The Israeli cabinet has voted NOT to cooperate with a U-N investigation of the killing of some 20 Palestinians in Jerusalem last week. The cabinet argues that the U-N does NOT intervene in more severe events in other countries. Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy says the U-N probe would challenge Israeli sovereignty over East Jerusalem. Levy says the United States ''made a mistake'' in backing the U-N action.

Just days after his retirement... American music giant Leonard Bernstein is dead. His doctor said the 72-year-old Bernstein died of cardiac arrest last night at home in Manhattan. As a composer and conductor... Bernstein drew inspiration from jazz and Jewish and Christian liturgy... as well as more conventional sources. Bernstein culminated his career early this year by conducting Beethoven's Ninth Symphony at the Berlin Wall.

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#90288u0776 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

OSLO, NORWAY (OCT. 15) UPI - The following is a list of winners of the Nobel Peace Prize. No Nobel prizes were awarded in 1940, 1941 and 1942.

1990 Mikhail Gorbachev, Soviet Union
1989 The 14th Dalai Lama (Tenzin Gyatso), Tibet
1988 United Nations Peacekeeping Forces
1987 Oscar Arias Sanchez, Costa Rica
1986 Elie Wiesel, USA
1985 International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War
1984 Desmond Tutu, South Africa
1983 Lech Walesa, Poland
1982 Alva Myrdal, Sweden; Alfonso Garcia Robles, Mexico
1981 Office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, Geneva
1980 Adolfo Perez Esquivel, Argentina
1979 Mother Teresa, India
1978 Menachem Begin, Israel; Anwar Sadat, Egypt
1977 Amnesty International
1976 Mairead Corrigan, United Kingdom; Betty Williams, United Kingdom
1975 Andrei Sakharov, Soviet Union
1974 Sean MacBride, Ireland; Eisaku Sato, Japan
1973 Henry A. Kissinger, USA; Le Duc Tho, Vietnam - declined the prize
1972 No award
1971 Willy Brandt, West Germany
1970 Norman Borlaug, USA
1969 International Labor Organization, Geneva
1968 Rene Cassin, France
1967 No award
1966 No award
1965 U.N. Children's Fund (UNICEF)
1964 Martin Luther King, USA
1963 International Committee of the Red Cross, Geneva; League of Red Cross Societies, Geneva
1962 Linus Pauling, USA
1961 Dag Hammarskjold, Sweden
1960 Albert Luthuli, South Africa
1959 Philip Noel-Baker, United Kingdom
1958 Georges Pire, Belgium
1957 Lester Bowles Pearson, California
1956 No award
1955 No award
1954 Office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, Geneva
1953 George Catlett Marshall, USA
1952 Albert Schweitzer, France/Germany
1951 Leon Jounhaux, France
1950 Ralph Bunche, USA
1949 John Boyd Orr, United Kingdom
1948 Not awarded
1947 The Friends Service Council, United Kingdom; The American Friends Service Committee, USA
1946 Emily Green Balch, USA; John Raleigh. R. Mott, USA

1945 Cordell Hull, USA
1944 International Red Cross
1943 No award
1939 No award
1938 Nansen International Office for Refugees, Switzerland
1937 Lord Cecil of Chelwood, England
1936 Carlos de S. Lamas, Argentina
1935 Karl von Ossietzky, Germany
1934 Arthur Henderson, England
1933 Sir Norman Angell, England
1932 No award
1931 Jane Addams and Nicholas M. Butler, U.S.
1930 Lars O.J. Soderblom, Sweden
1929 Frank B. Kellogg, U.S.
1928 No award
1927 Fredinand Buisson, France, and Ludwig Quidde, Germany
1926 Aristide Briand, France, and Gustav Stresemann, Germany
1925 Sir Austen Chamberlain, England, and Charles G. Dawes, U.S.
1924 No award
1923 No award
1922 Fridtjof Nansen, Norway
1921 Karl H. Branting, Sweden, and Christian L. Lange, Norway
1920 Leon Bourgeois, France
1919 Woodrow Wilson, U.S.
1918 No award
1917 International Red Cross
1916 No award
1915 No award
1913 Henri La Fontaine, Belgium
1912 Elihu Root, U.S.
1911 Tobias M.C. Asser, Holland, and Alfred H. Fried, Austria
1910 International Permanent Bureau for Peace, Switzerland
1909 Auguste M.F. Beernaert, Belgium, and Baron Paul H.B.B. d'Estournelles de Constant de Rebecque, France
1908 Klas P. Arnoldson, Sweden, and Frederik Bajer, Denmark
1907 Ernesto T. Moneta, Italy, and Louis Renault, France
1906 Theodore Roosevelt, U.S.
1905 Bertha von Suttner, Austria
1904 Institute for International Rights, Belgium
1903 Sir William R. Cremer, England
1902 Elie Ducommun and Albert Gobat, Switzerland
1901 Henri Dunant, Switzerland; Frederick Passy, France.

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#90288u0785 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 15) UPI - Middle East experts believe the surrender of a rebel Christian leader in Beirut this weekend should help end 15 years of bloody

civil war. Christian General Michel Aoun remains in the French Embassy following a blitz by Syrian troops. His fall is expected to boost Lebanon's efforts to restore law and implement a peace accord. But observers caution thousands of Moslem and Christian militiamen could keep fighting.

South African black leader Nelson Mandela arrived in India today for a five-day visit. Mandela said he has long wanted to visit the homeland of non-violent independence leader Mohandas Gandhi. New Delhi is Mandela's first stop on a tour including Indonesia, Australia and Japan. The trip follows yeterday's visit by South African President Frederik de Klerk with British Prime Minister Thatcher in London.

The newspaper Independent in Britain says computer hackers are trying to blackmail five British banks. The report says the hackers are demanding large sums of money in return for information on how they pentrated high-tech security systems. The UNknown computer whizzes have gained access to the banks' central data systems... hatching fears they could plant false information or damage computer programs.

A Russian couple married more than 20 years ago in Leningrad is about do it all over again in the United States. Semyon and Lioubov Peymer are among more than 40 Soviet Jewish couples who will be married with traditional trappings today at Philadelphia area synagogues. The couples are marking their freedom in emigrating from the Soviet Union... where they were NOT originally permitted religious wedding ceremonies.

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#90288u0793 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 15) UPI - Soviet officials welcomed the announcement that Mikhail Gorbachev won the Nobel Peace Prize Monday as a well-deserved honor, but some said the award would give little respite from domestic troubles.

The announcement Gorbachev won was made in the Soviet parliament, called the Supreme Soviet, at the end of its morning session - or nearly 90 minutes after the announcement in Oslo. Deputies greeted the news with brief applause.

''We have just received a message that the Norwegian ambassador came to the Kremlin and announced that Mikhail Sergeyevich (Gorbachev) has received the Nobel Peace Prize,'' Supreme Soviet Chairman Anatoly Lukyanov told the deputies.

Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, who had been reporting to Parliament Monday morning on foreign policy, said the award was ''an honor for the entire world society.''

''I want to congratulate our president for this great event,'' Shevardnadze said. ''This is a very great honor and personal achievement for Mikhail

Sergeyevich, for the establishment of a new political order on our planet, the formulation of a new political course in the Soviet Union and the formulation of new relations between governments, peoples of Europe and the whole world.''

Shevardnadze recalled the late Andrei Sakharov was the last Soviet to win the peace prize, and praised the former dissident for being at the vanguard of the process of democratization in the country.

Roy Medvedev, another former dissident rehabilitated by Gorbachev and now a member of the Supreme Soviet, said the award was well-deserved.

''No one else in the past year has realized such success in the politics of peace as Gorbachev,'' Medvedev said.

But Alexei Yemelyanov, another deputy, echoed the feelings of many in the Soviet Union by tempering his praise for Gorbachev's foreign policy achievements with criticism of his handling of domestic problems.

''This is the only sphere where Gorbachev's activities have produced positive results, where there has been new thinking,'' Yemelyanov said. ''We have become a bit more civilized and more humane. And the world has noticed and responded.''

Gorbachev has been criticized for hesitating in implementing the transition to a market economy, and earlier in Monday's Parliament session yet another delay was announce for presentation of a final economic reform plan.

The Soviet president also faces independence movements in most of the 15 Soviet republics, and the government is struggling with a way to develop a new union treaty that would keep the Soviet Union together.

Alexander Kovalenko, the former spokesman at the Chernobyl nuclear power plant appointed to deal with the world news media after the initial stonewalling on the 1986 accident, said Gorbachev would have problems translating his popularity abroad into success at home.

''I consider that he deserved the Nobel Peace Prize on the world scale because of the correct positions he took about war and peace,'' Kovalenko said. ''But now his problem is keeping war from breaking out within the Soviet Union.

''In achieving peace on the world scale, he could lose his own country and an internal war could break out.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $382.10 silver base of $4.29 and platinum price

of $404.00:

	Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$397.80	406.30
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	204.10	208.40
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	104.80	107.00
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.30	44.20
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	397.80	406.30
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	204.10	208.40
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.30	107.50
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.30	44.20
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	404.20	412.90
China Panda .50 troy oz.	208.30	212.70
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.00	110.30
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.60	47.60
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.90	28.50
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	398.00	406.40
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	203.40	207.40
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	102.70	104.80
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.20	45.00
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	396.40	404.60
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	205.20	209.40
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.30	107.40
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.80	45.70
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	396.30	404.50
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	203.80	208.00
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.40	88.20
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.30	46.20
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.10	23.50
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.69	$5.79
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,130	$3,260
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,400
Platinum		
Australian Koala	424.00	439.00
Isle of Man Noble	413.00	428.00
Canada Maple Leaf	424.00	439.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90288u0821 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - U.S. business inventories increased 0.5 percent in August while sales advanced 2.1 percent during the month, the Commerce Department announced Monday.

In July, inventories climbed 0.7 percent and sales dipped 0.4 percent, according to the data compiled by the department's Census Bureau.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday refused to disturb a military court conviction of a serviceman infected with the AIDS virus on aggravated assault charges for trying to engage in homosexual activity without using a condom or informing his partner of his condition.

The court rejected arguments by former Air Force Sgt. Nathaniel Johnson Jr., who contended the military code of justice under which he was convicted denied him fair notice that his conduct may be considered illegal.

While Johnson said he knew he could be court-martialed for engaging in homosexual activity, he said was never told he could also be charged with aggravated assault because he had tested positive for the Human Immunodeficiency Virus, which causes AIDS.

In Februrary 1988, Johnson was convicted at a court-martial at McChord Air Force Base, Wash., of attempted anal sodomy, oral sodomy and aggravated assault. He was sentenced to 10 years in prison.

The Air Force Court of Military Review dismissed the attempted anal sodomy charge as multiplicious with the aggravated assault charge, reducing the prison sentence to six years.

Johnson tested positive for HIV in 1987 and spent one month at the Wilford Hall Medical Center at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, for testing, evaluation and counseling. He was given instructions on safe sex methods, which included using condoms during intercourse and informing any partners of his condition.

While Johnson was being treated the Air Force implemented a revised policy that an HIV infected soldier be told by his immediate commander to follow safe sex guidelines or face disciplinary action.

Johnson claims he was never informed of the new policy.

Johnson was charged with assault after an incident that December in which he and a 17-year-old male student engaged in homosexual activity.

Johnson was convicted of performing oral sex on the teenager and attempting to perform anal sex before being rebuffed. No penetration occurred and an Air Force medical expert testified at his court-martial that the activity was unlikely to have spread the AIDS virus.

Johnson testified he was wearing a condom, but the 17-year-old disagreed and said Johnson never told him about his HIV infection.

Johnson claimed he did not know his actions could be deemed aggravated assault under Article 128 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

That article states in part that the accused could be convicted if it is proved that a person ''attempted to do, offered to do, or did bodily harm to a certain person.''

Johnson contended he should not be held liable for a particular offense if the

legal definition of the crime is too vague and unclear for him to understand.

Johnson's attorney, in asking the high court to review the case, wrote: ''Although ... Article 128 is not challenged here as unconstitutionally vague on its face, when the 'means' of the attempted bodily harm is the possible transmission of a virus, such as HIV, Article 128 become unintelligible regarding the conduct it seeks to proscribe.''

The federal government asked the court not to hear the case and let the military court's decision stand.

90-61 Nathaniel Johnson, Jr., vs. United States

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#90288u0851 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 15) UPI - South Africa abolished one of its main apartheid laws segregating public facilities such as toilets and swimming pools Monday, but towns under right-wing control vowed to use loopholes in the law to keep their areas white.

The 37-year-old Separate Amenities Act, a mainstay of apartheid legislation expired at midnight under the first major reformist measure introduced by President Frederik de Klerk, who has pledged to repeal all racist laws.

The South African Chamber of Business welcomed the end of the amenities act ''as an important step towards creating a free and open society,'' and the African National Congress urged its black supporters to begin using the facilities previously denied them.

The Afrikaner-led ruling National Party adopted the act in 1953 in the wake of a defiance campaign launched by then youthful black leader Nelson Mandela and after several court ruling declared if public amenities were segregated, they must at least be equal.

The new apartheid law effectively circumvented the court decisions by specifically stating separate amenities did not have to be equal.

Former white opposition member of parliament, Helen Suzman, recalled Monday in an interview with the Johannesburg Star how she walked out of parliament in 1953 during a reading of the bill. She said she was delighted over its scrapping.

''It would have been bad enough if they (the amenities) were equal, but it was worse that they were separate and not equal,'' Suzman said.

The 102 local authorities controlled by the right-wing Conservative Party in the populous northern Transvaal region have vowed to resist the abolition of

the act by taking advantage of loopholes in recently introduced provincial guidelines.

The town of Springs, east of Johannesburg, has closed its swimming pool rather than admit blacks.

Sasolburg, to the west, will restrict its pools to ''season-ticket'' holders and only residents of the whites-only town can obtain such tickets. The town of Witbank, in the eastern Transvaal province, will levy a $7.80 deposit on library books for non-residents.

Planning and Provincial Affairs Minister Hernus Kriel warned town council members they may face costly ''losing battles'' in court if they try to defeat the spirit of the legislation repealing the act and impose new restrictions on the use of public amenities.

The Conservative Party has condemned all de Klerk's racial reform initiatives, including his call for full blown power-sharing talks with the ANC and other black organizations next year on a post-apartheid constitution.

The abolition of the Amenities Act represents a major psychological reform by the National Party, but is unlikely to produce dramatic changes in most major urban areas where public amenities have been desegregated over recent years.

In fact, other apartheid pillars remain firmly in place that limit the practical effect of the abolition of the Separate Amenities Act, including the Group Areas Act, which segregates residential areas.

But de Klerk has pledged each will be abolished in time.

The Group Areas Act is expected to be abolished or radically adjusted in the new parliamentary session next year, along with the Land Act, which reserves more than 80 percent of the country's land for whites.

However, de Klerk has said the fate of the contentious Population Registration Act, which classifies all South Africans on the basis of skin color, will not be decided by parliament and will be put on the agenda of formal power-sharing negotiations.

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#90288u0868 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday refused to become involved in the case of police officers who claim their constitutional rights were violated when they were ordered not to wear earrings while off duty.

Officers Marvin Rathert and Gary Zybak contend their rights were violated when in December 1986, they were ordered by the chief of police in their small

Illinois town not to wear ear studs either while working or off duty.

A federal district court upheld the order, finding that while the Village of Peotone's police manual did not specifically mention the wearing of earrings by off-duty male officers, the chief was within his rights in protecting the morale of the force.

The 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals agreed, noting that in the Village of Peotone, a community of less than 5,000 in a rural area south of Chicago, off-duty police officers are easily recognizable in the community and that Rathert and Zybak ''caused an adverse impact on police discipline'' by wearing the ear studs.

Rathert and Zybak contended their First Amendment right to freedom of association and 14th Amendment right to due process were violated by the order.

In asking for high court review, attorneys for Rathert and Zybak said the appeals court's adoption of a ''small community'' standard is wrong.

''Under the 7th Circuit's viewpoint, if Peotone's police structure (or) citizens were against plaid Bermuda shorts, black 'concert' T- shirts, Air Jordan gym shoes, bright pink or green baseball caps, etc., then a police officer's wearing of any of these 'objectionable' items of personal apparel would subject him or her to a reprimand,'' they wrote.

They also argued that while the Supreme Court has said a police department can regulate the length of an officer's hair, an earring is different because it can be taken off and left at home when an officer is on duty.

90-349 Marvin Rathert et al., vs. Village of Peotone, et al.

-30- 2172

#90288u0873 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand a ruling that federal law prohibits states from prosecuting airlines for false and deceptive advertising.

The case stems from a decision of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which in April upheld an injunction barring 34 states from enforcing their own false advertising laws against 14 specific airlines.

The court determined that federal law, specifically the Airline Deregulation Act of 1978 that excludes states from regulating the rates of airlines, also bars them from prosecuting airlines for violating state statutes against false advertising.

Before 1978, states and the federal government shared responsibility over

consumer protection. But the airlines claim the deregulation act, meant to encourage competition, placed that responsibility solely in the hands of the federal government through what is now the Department of Transportation.

The deregulation act says states cannot enforce laws ''relating to rates, routes, or services of any air carrier.''

But the states contend that should not preclude prosecution for fraud. A brief to the high court by eight states claims ''deceptive advertising is not a 'route, rate, or service' of the airlines.''

The court refused to hear the issue in a pair of cases brought by the attorneys general of Texas and California.

The case has its origin in September 1987, when the National Association of Attorneys General proposed guidelines including the possibility of uniform state rules to govern air fare advertising.

The Federal Trade Commission opposed adoption of the rules, warning they could have the unintended effect of stifling price competition. Regardless, three months later the NAAG adopted the guidelines.

In November 1988 the attorneys general of Texas and four other states notified Trans World Airlines, Continental Airlines and British Airways that their advertising allegedly violated those states' false advertising laws.

In January 1989, the three airlines asked a federal judge in Texas to rule that such enforcement of state statutes would violate federal law. The attorneys general of 33 other states asked the court to deny the airlines' motion, but it granted an injunction ordering Texas not to enforce its deceptive advertising laws as they relate to the three airlines.

The court later broadened that ban to include the other 33 states, and placed 11 other airlines under its protection.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the lower court's action, writing that state deceptive advertising laws are ''expressly preempted by federal law when applied to fare advertising by interstate and international airlines.'' In June, the lower court issued a permanent injunction against the states. The appeals court has yet to review the ruling.

The states argued that Congress never intended the Airline Deregulation Act to usurp the power of states to protect their consumers. They also claimed the district court did not have the jurisdiction to include the 33 states besides Texas in its injunction.

90-221 Jim Mattox, Attorney General of Texas vs. Trans World Airlines, Inc., et al.

90-232 Attorney General of California vs. Trans World Airlines, et al.

-30- 3471
#90288u0876 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
CORAOPOLIS, Pa. (OCT. 15) UPI - USX Corp., the nation's largest steelmaker, opened contract talks Monday with the United Steelworkers union.

USX Corp., with profits of $212 million in the second quarter, is on record that it does not intend to follow other contracts recently negotiated in the steel industry, labeled as too generous by USX Chairman Charles Corry.

But the USW is looking at a pattern of sweetened contracts in the industry, particularly one reached with Bethlehem Steel last year, as its guiding light.

The two sides have set a target date of Nov. 10 to reach a new contract. The current agreement, reached after a bitter six-month strike in 1986 and 1987, expires Feb. 1. It covers 18,000 USX steel and mining workers in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota, Alabama and California.

Last October, the USW asked USX to renegotiate its existing labor agreement. Union president Lynn Williams argued the basic labor agreement should be renegotiated to restore benefits cut after settlement of the nation's longest domestic steel strike. USX could afford the restoration in light of improved earnings, Williams said.

Corry countered by saying increased competition made such a renegotiation imprudent.

During an August news conference, Corry said the basis for negotiations must be USX's need for a labor contract that keeps it competitive.

''I think we need some new wisdom ... on both sides,'' he said at the time. ''I don't think the past should be a benchmark on where we start or how we come out.''

But past performance and pattern bargain is exactly what the USW has in mind, said Andrew ''Lefty'' Palm, director of the union's District 15 and chief negotiator in recent talks with Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp.

''Our goal is to negotiate a 'pattern-plus' agreement for our members at USX '' Palm said Oct. 4, in announcing the early talks. ''Steelworkers at USX continue to lag behind the other major producers and we are seeking compensation for this.''

The USW-Bethlehem Steel accord of June 1989 restored wages to 1982 levels plus wage increases of $1 an hour in 1991 and 50 cents an hour in 1992.

Talks will be held at the Airport Hilton, west of Pittsburgh near Coraopolis.

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#90288u0882 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand a finding that a Wyoming law permitting environmental inspections of businesses without a search warrant is unconstitutional.

The 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals had ruled the warrantless inspection of a Wyoming gas station by a member of the state's Department of Environmental Quality violated the Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable searches and seizures.

The Wyoming attorney general's office had warned that if the appeals court ruling stood it could harm enforcement of environmental regulations nationwide.

''Both federal and state governments have recognized the need to conduct environmental inspections without search warrants,'' the state attorney general's office said in asking the high court to review the case.

''If the 10th Circuit opinion is allowed to stand, the constitutionality of those statutes would be challenged. This, under at least some circumstances, would be a disaster for environmental enforcement in the United States.''

But the V-1 Oil Co., which brought the initial suit against the Wyoming Environmental Quality Council, said the constitutionality of warrantless searches should be decided on a ''case-by-case basis.''

''The government's need (or desire) to make discretionary inspections, randomly and without constraint, should not be permitted to overwhelm the citizen's right to a prior judicial inquiry and approval before an administrative inspection occurs,'' an attorney for V-1 Oil Co. said in its arguments to the high court.

The appeals court found that the Wyoming law allowing warrantless searches in environmental protection cases violates the Fourth Amendment because it fails to provide a ''constitutionally adequate substitute for a warrant,'' such as a regular pattern of conducting inspections or a limit on inspections to certain businesses.

The Wyoming law applies to every business in the state and allows inspections to be completely at random.

The case arose from the April 1988 inspection of V-1 Oil's self- service gasoline station in Lander, Wyo., by state environmental supervisor Steven Gerber.

Gerber, who said there was reason to believe the gas station was polluting the ground water, obtained a soil sample from the property despite the objection of station workers. Gerber, who had sought the advice of a government attorney cited state law permitting such warrantless searches in environmental cases.

A federal district court upheld the search, but the appeals court reversed.

The appeals court ruled, however, that Gerber could not face a civil rights lawsuit because of the good faith ''qualified immunity'' of a state employee carrying out what was believed to be proper statute.

Wyoming asked the high court to reverse the appeals court ruling. V-1 also appealed to the high court on the grounds that Gerber was not entitled to qualified immunity. The court took neither case.

90-182 V-1 Oil Co. vs. Steven P. Gerber
90-351 Steven P. Gerber vs. V-1 Oil Co.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-83.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 133.00-143.10 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 42.00-43.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 48.00-58.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $225.00-$250.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $418.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $420.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $108.00-$113.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 293.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00-82.00 c-lb.

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#90288u0913 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 15) UPI - President Bush has sent congratulations on behalf of the American people to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on his 1990 Nobel Peace Prize. Bush praised the Soviet leader for bringing about historical changes, both political and economic, in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe. The president's statement says that because of Gorbachev, East-West relations- quote- ''hold greater promise for peace and world stability today than at any time in the last 45 years.'' .

In making the award today, the Nobel committee cited Gorbachev for his leading role in the dramatic chances that may help usher in an era of world peace. Gorbachev was credited with allowing Eastern European countries to in most cases peacefully topple their communist governments. Gorbachev told the official Tass news agency that he was proud and touched by the recognition. And he told Norwegian Radio he will come to Oslo December 10th to accept the prize.

Philippines defense chief Fidel Ramos today rejected proposals by Communist guerrillas to end their 21-year insurgency. The political arm of the 19-thousand-member New People's Army yesterday called for the removal of U-S military bases in the island nation... a five-year moratorium on payment of the country's 26-BILLION-dollar foreign debt... and a genuine program of land reform. The rebels offer peace talks in return.

The U-S Geological Survey has taken preliminary measurements on a serious earthquake under the Indian Ocean, some 750 miles from the coast of Thailand. The scientists at Golden, Colorado, report the quake measured six-point-six on the open-ended Richter scale. It was far enough out in the ocean that there are NO reports of damage or injury although coastal areas in Thailand are warned of the possibility of higher than normal tides.

A state of emergency remains in effect today for an area of Brazil 120 miles

southwest of Rio de Janeiro that was hit by flash floods and mudslides during the weekend. Heavy rains pounded the area and authorities report at least 17 people died. Several thousand were left homeless.

The race for governor of California is heating up in in the final weeks of the campaign with polls showing the two candidates NOT that far apart. Republican Senator Pete Wilson holds a 47 percent to 42 percent lead over Democratic challenger Dianne Feinstein, the former mayor of San Francisco. Seven percent are undecided with four percent supporting other candidates.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 15) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev ''laughed'' five years ago when it was suggested he would someday win the Nobel Peace Prize, the co-president of the group that won the medal in 1985 said Monday.

Dr. Bernard Lown, co-president of the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, recalled the meeting he and his Soviet counterpart, Dr. Evgueni Chazov, had with Gorbachev in the Kremlin soon after they had accepted the award on behalf of the doctors' group.

''On December 18, 1985, we met with Gorbachev for about three hours at the Kremlin. After some discussion of the issues concerning our group, he asked me if I had a gold medal. I said yes, and he asked if he could see it,'' Lown said.

Lown said he took the medal from his pocket and handed it to Gorbachev.

''He looked at it like a little boy fascinated with a toy. He said this is the first time he had seen such a thing.''

Lown said he suggested that Gorbachev would probably get the Nobel Peace Prize himself for his arms reduction initiatives.

''I said this will be yours, and he laughed, but didn't say anything.''

Lown said he has met with Gorbachev four or five times since then and is ''profoundly impressed with him.'' He said he was particularly impressed that the Soviet leader ''listens patiently and takes notes.''

The physicians' group headed by Lown and Chazov has more than 150,000 members in 49 nations. It won the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize for its efforts to inform the public about the medical and environmental dangers of nuclear war.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Oct. 15:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	53	12
Amsterdam cy	1pm	70	21
Ankara c	3pm	62	17
Athens c	2pm	72	22
Auckland cxy	12m	59	15
Beijing c	8pm	60	16
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	72	22
Bonn pc	1pm	69	21
Brussels cy	1pm	71	22
Cairo c	2pm	87	30
Casablanca cy	12n	73	23
Copenhagen cy	1pm	61	16
Dakar d	12n	87	31
Dublin r	1pm	55	13
Geneva cy	1pm	64	18
Helsinki cy	2pm	49	10
Hong Kong c	8pm	79	26
Jerusalem c	2pm	80	27
Karachi c	5pm	93	34
Lisbon pc	1pm	66	19
London cy	1pm	67	20
Madrid pc	1pm	63	17
Malta pc	1pm	81	27
Manila r	8pm	79	26
Moscow c	3pm	57	14
Nairobi pc	3pm	81	27
Nassau c	7am	79	26
New Delhi c	6pm	91	33
Nice pc	1pm	76	25
Oslo cy	1pm	52	11
Paris c	1pm	74	24
Pretoria pc	2pm	78	26
Riyadh	3pm	94	35
Rome c	1pm	77	25
Seoul c	9pm	63	17
Sofia c	2pm	44	06
Stockholm cy	1pm	53	12
Sydney cy	10pm	64	18
Taipei cy	8pm	73	23
Tokyo cy	9pm	67	19
Tunis c	1pm	86	30
Vienna c	1pm	66	19

Warsaw c	1pm	68	20

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	59	15
Caracas cy	8am	68	20
Havana c	7am	72	22
Lima cy	7am	60	16
Mexico City c	6am	55	13
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	80	27
Santiago c	8am	48	09

Canada

Calgary cy		46	07
Edmonton c		46	07
Montreal r		61	15
Ottawa pc		61	16
Regina c		49	09
Toronto c		64	17
Vancouver r		48	08
Winnipeg cy		57	13

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock Split				
RPM INC - 5-for-4				
Increased				
Delchamps Inc	Q	.11	11-21	11-7
Usual				
Greiner Engineer	Q	.05	11-16	11-2
Marshall & Ilsley	Q	.30	12-14	11-30
Melville Corp	Q	.35 1/2	11-1	10-24
Providence Energy	Q	.35	11-15	10-25
Savannh Fds & Ind	Q	.09	12-28	12-10
Shelton Bancorp	Q	.11	11-6	10-22

Three D Depts cl-A	Q	.02 1/2	11-9	10-26
Three D Depts cl-B	Q	.01 1/2	11-9	10-26

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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CHICAGO (OCT. 15) UPI - Excellent harvest weather during the weekend and the prospect of favorable conditions until at least midweek pressured corn and soybean futures Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Midmorning prices were lower across the board, except for a slight rally in soybean oil.

Farmers made good progress with the corn and soybean harvest during the weekend, although the weekly crop updates are expected to show the pace continued behind normal.

Country movement of new-crop corn and beans was light across the major production area, and that pattern is not expected to change unless there is an increase in prices.

Scattered protection around the Midwest contributed to the early weakness.

Wheat made contract lows in fairly active trading. The continued lack of export sales and the weakness on the rest of the floor weighed on wheat futures.

Interior and Gulf basis levels were mostly lower.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.27 3/4 off 2 1/2; Mar 2.37 1/2 off 2 1/4; May 2.43 1/2 off 1 3/4.

Soybeans Nov 6.15 3/4 off 4 3/4; Jan 6.30 3/4 off 4 1/2; Mar 6.43 1/4 off 4 1/2; May 6.53 1/2 off 3 1/2.

Wheat Dec 2.65 off 1 1/2; Mar 2.79 off 1 1/2; May 2.86 off 2 1/4.

Oats Dec 1.19 off 1/4; Mar 1.29 1/4 off 1/4; May 1.36 off 3/4.

-30- 1443

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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (OCT. 15) UPI - Voters dealt a major setback to governing coalition parties in local elections seen as a referendum on the performance of Hungary's new non-communist government, unofficial results showed Monday.

Six months after the communists lost power, Hungarians voted for mayors and town councils Sunday for the second time in as many weeks because voter turnout in the initial round Sept. 30 was too low in most districts to be declared valid.

The elections were seen as a first referendum on the performance of the coalition government led by the Democratic Forum, which won the most votes in the national elections in the spring, Hungary's first democratic polls in more than four decades.

The balloting also was regarded as crucial in removing lower-level communist bureaucrats from local administrations.

With about 99 percent of the votes counted Monday, the three-party coalition appeared to have lost substantial ground to two allied opposition parties, the liberal-progressive Alliance of Free Democrats and the Young Democrats, whose members are under age 35.

The two opposition parties together won more than 40 percent of the local mandates in smaller towns and nearly 53 percent of the local assembly seats in Budapest. By contrast, the ruling coalition won 28.8 percent of the mandates in smaller districts and 32.3 percent of the Budapest assembly seats.

Independent candidates scored heavily in many mayoral races in smaller towns and cities.

The government's popularity began to decline after the spring elections, in part because of the coalition's cautious approach to introducing economic reforms. Rising prices and worsening living standards added to the general discontent, as many Hungarians expected the new government to find a quick solution for the country's economic and social ills.

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#90288u0994 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - U.S. business inventories increased 0.5 percent in August while sales advanced 2.1 percent during the month, the Commerce Department announced Monday.

Huge inventories are usually a sign of hard times ahead, but businesses seem to be keeping their stockpiles of unsold goods under control.

''We are not heading toward a major inventory correction that would lead the economy into recession,'' said Norman Robertson, chief economist at Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh. ''Business are better able to keep a firm hand on their inventories.''

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''Consumers are becoming cautious about spending,'' said Cynthia Latta, an economist at DRI/McGraw Hill in Lexington, Mass. ''By the time they fill up their gas tanks to go to the mall, they don't have enough money to spend at the mall.''

But Robertson said, in his opinion, ''Consumer spending has held up well in the face of the oil well shock and what has been a very significant loss of jobs. We have not seen any major retrechment in consumer demand.''

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(OCT. 15) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period Year Earlier

ALC Communications (3rd Q 9-30)
$82,900,000 $79,645,000
d-$4,457,000 d-$9,572,000
d-Deficit.

Amwest Insurance Group (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,755,000 $729,000
$2,387,000 (.74) $2,497,000 (.30)

Bruno's Inc (1st Q 9-22)
$568,764,000 $531,174,000
$15,386,000 (.19) $12,806,000 (.16)

BSB Bancorp (3rd Q 9-30)
....
$2,136,000 (.68) $2,084,000 (.67)

Clayton Homes (1st Q 9-30)
$76,631,000 $62,980,000
$5,505,000 (.34) $4,215,000 (.26)

Commerce Bancshares (3rd Q 9-30)
....
$14,877,000 (.78) $14,814,000 (.81)

Dover Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$552,811,000 $515,292,000
$40,604,000 (.67) $33,167,000 (.53)

Equifax Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$227,202,000 $211,563,000
$12,101,000 (.25) $10,787,000 (.22)

Evans & Sutherland (3rd Q 9-28)
$38,071,000 $37,005,000
$4,074,000 (.45) $2,519,000 (.29)

Intl Business Machines (3rd Q 9-30)
$15,277,000,000 $14,305,000,000
$1,112,000,000 (1.95) $877,000,000 (1.51)

Lydall Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$29,252,000 $30,378,000
$1,890,000 (.64) $1,972,000 (.67)

Magnetek Inc (1st Q 9-30)
$265,184,000 $237,640,000
$6,416,000 (.27) $5,261,000 (.21)

National City Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$65,083,000 $66,577,000
$60,532,971 (1.08) $60,600,808 (1.10)

NCR Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,520,000,000 $1,390,000,000
$91,000,000 (1.36) $94,000,000 (1.23)

Oryx Energy (3rd Q 9-30)
$514,000,000 $295,000,000
a-$48,000,000 (.45) $6,000,000 (.06)
a-Includes a $12 million favorable tax adjustment.

Pepsico Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$4,475,600,000 $3,901,600,000
$336,600,000 (.42) $269,300,000 (.34)

Phelps Dodge (3rd Q 9-30)
$674,200,000 $646,100,000
$126,200,000 (3.64) $115,400,000 (3.26)

Security Pacific Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$135,300,000 $185,100,000
$119,600,000 (1.05) $113,900,000 (1.55)

Showbiz Pizza (3rd Q 9-28)
$48,368,000 $44,072,000
$4,366,000 (.72) $1,808,000 (.42)

Simpson Industries (3rd Q 9-30)
$46,984,000 $45,885,000
$583,000 (.06) $1,269,000 (.13)

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - The Supreme Court ruled Monday that states covered by the Voting Rights Act must receive federal approval before creating new judgeships.

The court unanimously affirmed the decision of a federal district court that a quarter century after passage of the Voting Rights Act, the state of Georgia is required to obtain federal government approval before creating new seats for judges. The requirement is to guard against racial discrimination.

The state had asked the high court to find its methods of choosing judges did not require federal oversight or violate the law. It called Section 5 of the

Voting Rights Act of 1964 the ''most extreme intrusion into state authority of any statute enacted by Congress.''

''The undisputed evidence shows that there has been no discrimination in either the election or the appointment of superior court judges in the state of Georgia,'' wrote the state.

Superior court judges in Georgia - those sitting on most trial courts - are elected at-large by voters within a given judicial circuit. Between 1965 and 1988, the state created 77 new judgeships and five new circuits, which changed boundaries of some election districts. It did not obtain federal approval.

The Supreme Court in 1986 ruled that changes in the manner and election of state judges can require preclearance of the Justice Department under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act. Georgia claimed it never changed the manner in which it chose its judges and so was not affected by the ruling.

Georgia filled 10 more judge's positions from 1986 to 1988 without seeking preclearance.

But in June 1988 Georgia submitted those changes along with changes from the previous two decades for federal review. The U.S. attorney general approved some changes but ordered the state to provide additional information on 48 judgeships dating back to 1964 and two of the five new circuits.

At the same time, a group of black citizens backed by the American Civil Liberties Union filed suit against the state seeking to bar it from implementing any judgeship created without federal preclearance.

On Dec. 1, 1989, a three-judge federal district court panel ruled addition of the judgeships was covered under the Civil Rights Act and that Georgia illegally added 48 such positions between 1964 and 1988 by failing to get federal clearance.

The court gave the state 30 days to comply with the federal government's request for more information and ordered Georgia not to create any further judgeships without federal preclearance, but left the 48 judgeships in place.

The state then provided the Attorney General with information on the 48 judgeships and submitted 10 additional judgeships for preclearance.

On April 25 the Justice Department objected to all 58 judgeships, claiming the state failed to prove that adding them had ''neither a discriminatory purpose nor a disciminatory effect.''

The federal district court, however, modified its order May 29, allowing the state to fill vacancies in judgeships by appointment until a new electoral policy can be implemented.

The black residents asked the Supreme Court to rule that the May 29 modification was too lenient and send the case back to the district court for an ''appropriate and effective remedy'' that could include vacating a number of judge's seats. But the high court simply upheld the lower court's ruling.

The ACLU pointed out that while Georgia's population is nearly 27 percent black, all 45 judicial circuits from which superior court judges are elected have a majority white population, and only five of the current 135 superior court judges are black.

But Georgia said that as of Dec. 21, 1989, there had been nine judicial elections pitting black and white candidates and seven had been won by blacks.

90-272 Tyrone Brooks, et al., vs. Georgia State Board of Elections, et al.
90-332 Georgia State Board of Elections, et al., vs. Tyrone Brooks, et al.

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#90288u1013 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

GENEVA (OCT. 15) UPI - Taking specific aim at European Community export subsidies, the United States presented a formal proposal Monday for sharp reductions in barriers to freer world trade in agricultural products.

Uruguay Round officials said the U.S. proposal as expected called for 75 percent reductions over 10 years in internal farm support paid to American farmers based on 1986-1988 figures, and in import barriers.

Washington called for a 90 percent cut in export subsidies as practiced by the EC, also involving a 10-year schedule and using 1987 as the base year.

U.S. officials including President Bush have warned that a Uruguay Round agreement must include deep cuts in trade-distorting agricultural protectionism.

The U.S. proposal was presented on the Oct. 15 deadline to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, which provides the framework for the Uruguay Round trade liberalization negotiations scheduled to end by Dec. 7.

A package agreement is threatened by sharp differences over farm trade between Washington and Europe, with the EC missing the deadline for agricultural proposals.

The 12 EC members were still bickering among themselves Monday concerning a suggested 30 percent reduction in subsidies based on the year 1986.

That figure has been repeatedly rejected in advance as inadequate and unacceptable by the United States as well as the Cairns Group - other major

farming nations including Australia, Argentina, Brazil and Canada.

U.S. officials have also said they doubt that a compromise could be reached because Washington already has stepped back from its original position that farm supports and export subsidies should be eliminated altogether.

France and Germany in particular among EC members have said the big cuts proposed by the United States would bankrupt as many as seven out of 10 European farmers.

U.S. negotiators have told other participants Washington does not seek an end to all domestic farm sector support but only that which gives farmers an unfair export advantage or otherwise distorts free competition.

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#90288u1043 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, KENYA (OCT. 15) UPI - Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens and two of his senior Cabinet ministers flew to Kenya Monday in a surprise effort to end two weeks of civil war in the tiny east African country of Rwanda.

President Juvenal Habyarimana of Rwanda told Martens his country is to raise the question of its two-week-old war at the U.N. Security Council.

''The Rwandan delegation communicated its intention to appraise the U.N. Security Council as soon as possible of the situation prevailing in the region '' a joint communique said.

Martens, who flew suddenly to Nairobi after a rebel invasion of the little east African country intensified this weekend, pledged to put the '' meeting.

His delegation said it would step up ''bilateral consultations'' on the issue of regional border integrity, the French language communique added, an apparent reference to Rwandan allegations of lax border control by Uganda, from where several thousand rebels launched their Sep. 30 invasion.

Talks continued late Monday, attended by Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens Defense Minister Guy Coeme and Rwandan Foreign Minister Casimir Bizimungu.

Habyarimana, meanwhile, met Kenyan President Daniel Arap Moi, who ordered the screening of Rwandan refugees in his country and the expulsion of those not registered with the United Nations High Commission for Refugees.

Western diplomats said attempts to find a solution to the war would likely also resume Wednesday in ''another regional country.''

The diplomats, who declined identification, noted that taking the civil war in

Rwanda to the U.N. implied Habyarimana believes Rwanda to be the victim of aggression by another country and not just at war with itself, since the Security Council does not involve itself in internal disputes.

Belgian Ambassador Christine Funes-Noppen was due to fly to the Ugandan capital Kampala Tuesday, the diplomats said.

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#90288u1050 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (OCT. 15) UPI - China said Monday it was ''deeply concerned'' over moves in the Philippine Congress to pass a bill seeking to encourage the inflow of investments from Taiwan.

A spokesman for the Chinese embassy said a diplomatic note was sent to the Philippine department of foreign affairs, pointing out that the the bill, if enacted into law, would ''seriously violate'' Philippine commitment to uphold a ''one-China policy.''

''Recently, some people in the Philippine Congress have urged Congress to discuss and pass as soon as possible the bill by making statements, writing articles, or filing resolutions,'' said Chinese embassy spokesman Gou Baocheng. ''The Chinese embassy is deeply concerned with this development.''

The bill, long pending in Congress, grants incentives to Taiwanese investors in a bid to invite investments to Manila, which is burdened by a $26 billion foreign debt and badly needing foreign capital to generate employment.

Beijing has recalled its ambassador to Manila, and a Philippine official said this was an indication of China's displeasure. Philippine Vice-president Salvador Laurel, Cabinet members and lawmakers have met with Taiwanese officials in Taipei.

The official, who asked not to be named, said Beijing will ask President Corazon Aquino to veto the trade bill, if it is approved in the House of Representatives.

Foreign affairs officials have drafted a compromise corporation legislation which provides protection for investments of nationals of countries without diplomatic relations with the Philippines but Taiwanese officials have said they want no less than the bill pending in Congress.

The Chinese embassy statement accused Taiwan of ''taking advantage of the economic difficulties confronted by the Philippines'' and resorting to ''all means and tricks to exert influence and pressure'' on Manila.

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#90288u1071 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 15) UPI - President Bush has sent a message to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev congratulating him on winning the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize. The honor was given to Gorbachev for what was called his ''leading role'' for world peace and for supporting the dramatic changes that have swept communist nations of Eastern Europe. .

In Moscow, the Soviet parliament welcomed the announcement with brief applause. A former dissident rehabilitated by Gorbachev and now a member of the Supreme Soviet said the prize was well-deserved. He said- ''NO one else in the past year has realized such success in the politics of peace as Gorbachev.''

The U-S Supreme Court has rejected arguments by a former Air Force Sergeant convicted of aggravated assault for alleged homosexual acivity. Nathaniel Johnson said he knew he could be court-martialed, but did NOT realize he could also be charged with assault because he tested positive for the AIDS virus. .

In other action, the high court today upheld a ban on state prosecution of airlines. The justices let stand an appeals court ruling that federal law prohibits states from prosecuting airlines for false and deceptive advertising. The Airline Deregulation Act of 1978 says states canNOT enforce laws ''relating to rates, routes, or services of any air carrier.''

Egypt is calling on Israel to cooperate with a U-N investigation into the slayings last week of at least 20 Palestinians in Jerusalem. Israel is refusing to meet with a U-N mission. Egypt is the only Arab nation to sign a peace treaty with Israel and it has condemned the killings.

South Africa today abolished one of its main apartheid laws segregating public facilities. The 37-year-old Separate Amenities Act expired at midnight under the first major reformist measure introduced by President Frederik de Klerk. The South African leader has pledged to repeal all racist laws. .

But the move is NOT going over too well with some South Africans. Towns under right-wing control are vowing to use loopholes in the law segregating toilets, swimming pools and other facilities to keep some areas all-white. Government officials, however, warn the towns may face costly ''losing battles'' in court if they resist abolition of the act.

Iraq says it woN'T compromise over its occupation of Kuwait. Baghdad Radio quotes the Iraqi information minister as saying that war in the Persian Gulf continues to be imminent, but that Iraq woN'T ''fire the first shot.'' The official also dismissed a British warning that Iraqi troops must leave Kuwait voluntarily or be forced out at gunpoint. .

In another development, the Washington Post quotes diplomatic sources in Baghdad as saying Iraq took down its air defense radar system to prevent U-S

forces from monitoring it and securing information on how to jam it. The Post also says Iraq asked the Bush administration to maintain ongoing military consultations to prevent a war-causing accident, but that the United States NEVER responded.

The manager of the New Kids on the Block pop singing group calls charges of alleged mob ties ''ludicrous.'' Maurice Starr responded to the allegations in the Boston Herald today. The Herald story claimed he gave a convicted loan shark part ownership in the group in exchange for a 50-thousand-dollar loan.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Twelve major automobile manufacturers have agreed to pay refunds to New York car owners that could reach as much as $100 million under the state's ''lemon law,'' state Attorney General Robert Abrams reported Monday.

The settlement comes after more than four years of litigation and will provide refunds for New Yorkers who purchased or leased new cars after Aug. 2, 1986, and who have had to pay for warranty-type repairs to their vehicles, Abrams said.

The state's lemon law requires manufacturers and their dealers to make repairs under their warranty, at no charge to the consumer, for a period of two years or 18,000 miles, whichever comes first.

The automakers involved are Chrysler, Ford, General Motors, Honda, Hyundai, Isuzu, Mazda, Mitsubishi, Nissan, Subaru, Toyota and Volvo. Each company also agreed to pay the state $10,000 in costs.

''This historic settlement with the nation's automakers is a final vindication of the New York lemon law and a major victory for consumer,'' Abrams said.

''Auto manufacturers who wish to do business in New York can now devote less of their time and energy to litigation and more of their resources toward production of dependable cars,'' he said.

Under the terms of the settlement, all of the automakers, except for Ford, must advertise the terms of the refund throughout the state for a six-week period.

In order for a car owner to be eligible for a refund, several conditions must be met:

-The car or light truck must have been originally purchased or leased in New York on or after Aug. 2, 1986.

-The repair must have been made after the manufacturer's basic warranty expired, but before the earlier of 24 months or 18,000 miles. The repair otherwise would have been covered under the manufacturer's warranty, with the exception of the time-milage limitation.

-The repair must have been performed by a dealer authorized by the manufacturer.

-The manufacturer must receive the documented claim form no later than 130 days from the date of the first advertisement. The address from which consumer can obtain a claim form will be released with 30 days, Abrams said.

He said his office will be the final arbiter of any disputes between automakers and consumers.

In addition, General Motors and Chrysler will have to reimburse all New York consumers who paid up to a $100 deductible for a powertrain repair within the earlier of the first 18,000 miles or two years.

Under the agreement, General Motors and Chrysler also will have to pay back all deductibles paid by consumers since Sept. 1, 1983, the effective date of the original lemon law in New York.

Ford changed its warranty policy in New York in March 1987 after a state court decided in an action brought by Abrams that Ford violated the lemon law by charging a deductible for powertrain repairs with the first 18,000 miles or two years.

The decision and an order by an appellate court that directed Ford to refund all deductibles were affirmed the the state's Court of Appeals last November.

Ford has agreed to review all further claims filed for deductible refunds and to post signs in all Ford dealerships and service centers regarding the availability of refunds for other warranty repairs, Abrams said.

He said the carmakers entered into the refund agreement without admitting any wrongdoing.

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LONDON (OCT. 15) UPI - The ''fifth man'' of the notorious Cambridge Spy Ring that fed classified information to Moscow is a retired British official named John Cairncross, who now lives in the south of France, The Times reported Monday.

Oleg Gordievsky, the highest-ranking KGB officer to defect to Britain, told the newspaper that Cairncross ''provided tons of documents'' to the Kremlin.

Gordievsky said Cairncross was a master-spy of similar stature to the other members of the ring; Kim Philby, Guy Burgess, Donald MacLean - who all fled to the Soviet Union - and Anthony Blunt.

The identity of the fifth man has remained a mystery, leading to several theories of who was the unknown member of the ring, which was recruited during the 1950s among disaffected leftist students of Cambridge University.

The Times said Cairncross served ''in influential positions in government departments, in signals intelligence and MI-6,'' Britain's supersecret spying organization.

Christopher Andrew, an historian who collaborated with Gordievsky to write a book about the KGB, said Cairncross may have informed Moscow about British and American plans to build an atomic bomb in 1940 when he became private secretary to Lord Hankey, who chaired a committe involved in the nuclear project.

Gordievsky defected to the West in 1985 after serving as an MI-6 double agent for 11 years, and he said KGB chiefs spoke in ''awe and admiration'' of Cairncross's achievements over a 15-year-long career of espionage.

''You could just as well name Cairncross as the second or third man,'' said Gordievsky, who served as KGB station chief in London.

The Times sent two reporters to the southern French village of St. Antonin-du-Var to try and meet Cairncross, but said there were no signs of life at his modest one-story villa, which was protected by guard dogs and a wire fence.

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GENEVA (OCT. 15) UPI - Tuberculosis cases and deaths are rising sharply because of the spread of the virus that causes AIDS, the World Health Organization said Monday.

Annual deaths from tuberculosis total around 3 million, with 8 million new cases every year - despite the fact that the cost of preventing and curing the lung disease is inexpensive, the U.N. health agency said.

Asia accounts for 1.8 million TB deaths, sub-Sahara Africa for 656, 000, and Latin America for 220,000, WHO said.

''In the industrialized countries, there are 42,000 TB deaths each year, mostly among the elderly, ethnic minorities and migrants,'' it said.

''After decades of declining rates of tuberculosis, progress against this

killer has come to an abrupt halt in some developed countries,'' WHO said. ''For example, the number of cases in the United States declined for 32 consecutive years until 1984 but is now on the increase.''

WHO said a main reason for the resurgence of TB - a bacterial lung disease transmitted by coughing and sneezing - is the spread of HIV infection because the AIDS-causing virus weakens the body's immune system.

About 3 million people with HIV infection also have TB - 2.4 million of them in sub-Saharan Africa - and numbers are rising, it said.

''TB is becoming a parallel epidemic,'' the agency said. ''WHO estimates that 15-20 million people will be infected with HIV by the end of the century. Because of the mirror nature of the two diseases, WHO expects TB cases and deaths to rise sharply, especially in Africa, Latin America and southeast Asia.''

The organization said new drugs can cure a person with TB in six months at a cost of $30 to $50 per patient, and preventive vaccine is inexpensive as well.

''Our biggest problem is implementing the drug therapy and getting all infants vaccinated,'' WHO director general Hiroshi Nakajima said in a comment on the report.

''The missing ingredients are money, a sense of urgency and an adequate medical infrastructure in the poorest countries, he said, noting that TB accounts for an estimated 26 percent of avoidable deaths in the developing world.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - Tuberculosis is resurging after decades of decline, killing nearly 3 million people worldwide annually and threatening to claim even more unless quick action is taken, health officials warned Monday.

The World Health Oranization reported progress against TB, a contagious diseases of the lungs and other organs, has ''come to an abrupt halt'' in some industrial countries, like the United States. Furthermore, the number of reported TB cases have almost doubled in some east and central African nations over the last four to five years, WHO said.

Currently, about 8 million people annually develop new cases of TB. About 20 million people worldwide have active cases of TB, and another 1.7 billion are TB carriers.

TB is caused by airborne bacteria, called mycobacterium tuberculosis, which are coughed up by an infected person and inhaled by the healthy. The bacteria

settle in the lungs, where the immune system attacks them, forming abscesses. From there, the bacteria can seep into the blood stream and attack other organs.

The initial TB infection may be so slight that a healthy person may have no symptoms. Yet the bacteria remain in the body, dormant, until years later when the immune system is weakened by old age or disease.

''Countries with the highest rates of HIV (AIDS virus) infection and high numbers of TB carriers are recording explosive rates of TB,'' said Dr. Arata Kochi of WHO, explaining that people whose immune systems are crippled by the AIDS virus are more susceptible to TB.

WHO estimates about one-third of the estimated 8 million to 10 million people infected with HIV worldwide are also infected with the bacteria that causes TB.

''It is becoming a parallel epidemic and it is this trend that has public health officials worried,'' said Dr. Hiroshi Nakajima, WHO's director general.

The dual-infection problem appears worst in parts of Africa, where an estimated 2.4 million people are infected with both HIV and TB. About 300,000 people in Latin America are thought to be similarly infected; 200,000 in Asia and 150,000 in the United States and other industrial nations.

In developed nations, most TB deaths occur among the elderly, ethnic minorities and immigrants.

''Our biggest problem is implementing drug therapy and getting all infants vaccinated against TB,'' Nakajima said. ''The missing ingredients are money, a sense of urgency and an adequate medical infrastructure in the poorest countries.''

The only currently available vaccine for tuberculosis works best in newborns. Several other vaccines, however, are under development.

TB can be effectively treated by a series of antibiotics that specifically attack and destroy turberculosis bacteria. The treatment is a long one, with the patient taking medicine orally every day from six months to a year. Cost of drug therapy, which is best given while the patient is in a hospital, is about $250 per patient.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 71-74.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - Political leaders worldwide prefer to buy bullets instead of bread and that is the leading obstacle to ending poverty and hunger both in the United States and abroad, a religious lobbying group said Monday.

And, while full-scale war has not yet erupted in the Persian Gulf standoff, the money poured into the confrontation is already claiming the lives of innocents - an escalating number of lives lost through hunger, malnutrition and preventable diseases.

''Millions of casualties have already fallen as the result of the ongoing military build-up in the Middle East,'' said the Rev. Arthur Simon, president of Bread for the World, the grass-roots Christian anti- hunger lobby.

''The billions we have spent to arm developing countries now haunt us, especially since that money could have been used to meet the world's nutritional needs.''

Simon made his comments in releasing a report, ''Hunger 1990,'' issued on the eve of the observance of World Food Day by the United Nations' Food and Angriculture Organization.

According to the 134-page report, prepared by the group's Institute on Hunger and Development, more than half a billion of the world's people are chronically hungry, with as many as 500 million more vulnerable to periods of hunger each year.

At the same time, despite the easing of the Cold War, the arms race continues to accelerate rapidly, especially in the Third World, where the share of world military spending increased from 7 percent to 19 percent between 1960 and 1987.

The report said, for example, one M-1 tank costs $2.5 million, roughly equivalent to the total annual earnings of a community of 25,000 people in Ethiopia.

''Worldwide military spending is now estimated at $1 trillion, with the United States spending nearly one-third of that amount,'' the report said.

That may help explain why after seven years of continuous economic growth, the United States is unable to make a significant dent in either the numbers of

poor people or the nation's overall poverty rate, currently 12.8 percent.

Even more alarming in the United States, those who are poor appear to be falling deeper into poverty, according to the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, with 38 percent of the 32.5 million poor people having incomes that are less than one-half - $4,943 for a family of three - of the poverty line.

The poverty gap - the amount of money needed to raise the income of the poor to the poverty line - was $54.3 billion in 1989.

Worldwide, according to the Bread for the World analysis, the situation is even more desperate.

Wars have caused extensive hunger, disrupted food porduction and distribution, created tens of thousands of new refugees and led to environmental degradation worldwide in recent years. Among the affected areas are Afghanistan, Cambodia, East Timor, Lebanon, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Vietnam, Angola, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Liberia, Mozambique, Somalia, Sudan, Uganda, Colombia, El Salvador, Peru, and, most recently, Iraq and Kuwait.

''Armed conflicts, which during the past decade killed almost three times as many civilians as soldiers, also leave in their wake dislocated people, disrupted economies, poverty and famine,'' the report said.

''War-related famine affects at least 20 million people in southern and northeastern Africa,'' it added.

But the report also suggested the end of the Cold War could provide some new opportunities for a drive to end global hunger as the superpowers scale down their competition in the Third World and seek negotiated settlements in several regional conflicts.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - World oil prices plunged nearly $2 a barrel in early trading Monday as talk of a compromise turned traders' expectations away from war toward a peaceful solution of the Persian Gulf crisis.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate for November delivery plummeted $1.84 at midday from Friday's close to $37.85 a barrel, after being down as much as $2.24 a barrel.

Over the weekend, the Soviet Novosti news agency reportedly quoted a senior Kremlin official, who visited Baghdad, as saying Iraqi leaders are considering a plan to withdraw from the oil-rich emirate.

Novosti was reported as saying Iraq wanted to keep strips of disputed border territory in Kuwait, including an oil field, and strategic Kuwaiti islands in the northern Persian Gulf.

Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat, who met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Sunday, was quoted as saying after the meeting that he thought Iraq is in a ''conciliatory mood'' but gave no further details.

Iraq denied Monday, however, it is willing to compromise over its occupation of Kuwait. ''I believe war in the (Persian) gulf continues to be imminent, but Iraq will not fire the first shot,'' Baghdad Radio quoted Iraqi Information Minister Latif Nassif Jassim as saying.

Nevertheless, the oil markets focused Monday on a peaceful rather than a violent solution to the crisis.

''The thought process is going heavily diplomatic. Iraq is making overtures and not beating the war drums. The perception of the marketplace is turning toward a diplomatic solution. It's had a war psychology,'' said Don Morton of PaineWebber Inc., Andover, Mass.

''There's a lack of any hostile statements and the market's gotten heavier and heavier as we trade at these (near $40 a barrel) prices,'' said Joe Miller of Shearson Lehman Hutton's International Energy Desk in New York.

''There's a feeling that Saddam Hussein is looking for a way out,'' Miller said.

''The market needs some war news - I call it radio war news - The lack of it is going to bring in profit taking. Unless we have (war news), it's difficult to sustain prices at $40 a barrel because there's plenty of crude and products around,'' said Nauman Barakat, vice president of Merrill Lynch Futures Inc.

Morton said there's also a technical aspect to the market - as the prices move downward they trigger technical sell orders, adding downward momentum.

Barakat placed the market's next firm technical support level around $34 a barrel, the low closing price of recent weeks.

On the Merc, unleaded gasoline for November delivery had fallen 2.53 cents af midday to 94.6 cents a gallon, while November home heating oil dropped 3.31 cents from Friday to $1.0205 a gallon.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent, the price leader sinced the Gulf crisis began, had lost $1.50 to $38 a barrel.

United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East

shipped mainly to the Far East - was down $1.30 to $33.35 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt delivery WTI crude declined $1.70 to $37.90 a barrel.

In Jakarta, Indonesia hiked the price of its oil exports by $7 to $35.25 a barrel in October, reflecting a tighter world market caused by the Persian Gulf crisis, Mines and Energy Ginandjar Kartasasmita announced Monday.

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DHAKA, Bangladesh (OCT. 15) UPI - A dawn-to-noon general strike was observed in Bangladesh Monday at the call of the All-Party Student's Council to protest the killing of three students and the government's closure of Dhaka University.

The strike was peaceful, barring a few stray incidents in which three vehicles were burned by protesters, a Dhaka police spokesman said.

All shops in the city remained closed Monday and vehicular traffic was sparse during the general strike.

The government Saturday night closed Dhaka University and all other educational institutions in the capital, saying such a move would save life and property following days of political turmoil in which eight people, including three students, died in police firing on anti- government protesters.

Mainstream opposition political parties have called for a countrywide, half-day general strike Tuesday to protest price hikes and to press the demand for resignation of President Hussain Muhammad Ershad's government.

Meanwhile, the Dhaka University teachers association has condemned the closing of the school, saying the government has violated the autonomy of the university. The group demanded steps to resume normal educational activities.

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JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 15) UPI - Pro-democracy Kuwaiti refugees, helping to chart a course for their nation once it is reclaimed from Iraq, won a bigger role in their post-liberation government Monday.

Adoption of the goal-stating communique and remarks by Kuwait's crown prince, Sheik Saad Al-Sabah, were the final events of a historic three- day meeting.

Mubarak Aldowailah, a leader in the Kuwaiti democracy movement, said Saad agreed to create a committee to expand the involvement of Kuwaitis in daily government affairs.

Irrespective of its inclusion in the final document, the revelation marked a milestone for the movement for greater democracy in the emirate. It followed a promise by Saad to restore the parliamentary form of government created under the 1962 Constituion but suspended 24 years later.

Sources on the communique-drafting panel were uncertain if the final document would mention the committee or a demand for repartitions.

Saad's agreement to the requests brought unity to the conference, whose communique rejected Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, thanked Saad for agreeing to return democracy to the country and promised a greater emphasis on the liberties and philosphies espoused by Islamic teaching.

And Saad, at a closed meeting with the 1,200 delegates, pledged to demand reparations from Iraq and promised not to surrender any territory to Iraqi President Sadaam Hussien.

The move for greater democracy seemed not to pose a threat to the unity of the session or the unity of Kuwaiti exiles.

Meanwhile, Kuwaiti Oil Minister Rasheed Salim Alameery said there could be no negotiations with Iraq over disputes about oil production until Iraq withdrew from Kuwait.

The emirate has conceded it was exceeding its production quota until just before the invasion, when it cut back from as much as 2 million barrels a day to 1.5 million to help shore up the price before the invasion. Talks were in progress about the oil dispute, which Iraq argued damaged its economy, severely damaged by the Iran-Iraq war.

Alameery also said Kuwaiti production at the moment is about 90,000 barrels a day and it is being used to satisfy domestic needs for producing power, desalinization of water and for fuel. Oil sources at the conference estimate Kuwait is losing $1.5 billion a month in oil revenues, and one source said a war and damage to the oil fields and refineries would take months and hundreds of millions of dollars to repair.

He also rejected as ''''a false claim'' Iraq's contention that Kuwait was stealing oil from a northern oil field. Alameery said Kuwait was drawing just 2 percent of its daily production from the field and that the Kuwaiti wells were well within the border.

The conference was a revelation for Saudis, who for the first time got a taste of democracy when the opening speeches were broadcast live on state television.

One Saudi journalist, who asked for anonymity in fear of a possible jail term, said Saudi newspapers were taking advantage of the crisis to push at the edges

of press freedom in the desert kingdom. He dismissed as ''letting off steam'' meetings called by members of the royal family with intellectuals to discuss democracy.

''We can even discuss politics on the telephone right now,'' he marveled.

The session, which started Saturday and included Kuwaitis from business, labor academia and government, was closely watched in the Arab world for the directions it took. Many believe the freedoms won by the Kuwaitis eventually will spread to other Persian Gulf states.

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BONN, GERMANY (OCT. 15) UPI - Germany's interior minister, shot twice in an attack by a disturbed drug addict, was in serious condition Monday after undergoing a second operation.

Wolfgang Schaeuble, who was shot Friday, was awake and alert after the procedure ordered because of complications involving his nervous system, but the minister required an artificial breathing device, doctors said.

''The neurological disturbances that have appeared since the beginning have not improved,'' said Wolfgang Gerok, the head of the Freiburg University Clinic.''The general condition of Minister Schaeuble is very serious.''

Gerok said that neurological damage resulting from a gunshot wound to the spinal cord is causing temporary paralysis and serious disruptions to Schaeuble's motor functions. Doctors do not know if permanent neurological damage can be prevented.

A gunman, said by police to be a drug addict suffering from mental disorders, shot Schaueble after an electoral rally in southern Germany, injuring the minister in the jaw and chest.

A third shot wounded a security officer who had thrown himself in front of the interior minister.

Police arrested the gunman, who claimed that he felt ''persecuted by the state.''

As interior minister, Schaeuble is responsible for ''anti-terrorism'' and played a major role in negotiating details of German unification. He is one of Chancellor Helmut Kohl's top aides.

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LONDON (OCT. 15) UPI - Officials presented to Parliament Monday a finetuned version of London's bid to instill public confidence in Hong Kong by granting 50,000 families British nationality and the right to abandon the colony before China takes over in 1997.

The plan however had few changes beyond its main structure set out in the British Nationality (Hong Kong) Act, which was passed on June 14 after debate in the lower house by members who opposed the idea of any large-scale Chinese immigration to Britain.

The government of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher believes giving the right of abode in Britain to 50,000 leading families will bolster confidence and help stem an outflow of skilled personnel that is undermining the colony.

But critics say the scheme will only provides an escape route for the privileged and does little to inspire trust in communist authorities in Beijing - whose assurances they will allow Hong Kong's capitalist lifestyle to continue have been greeted with skepticism since the bloody June 1989 crackdown of the Chinese pro-democracy movement in Beijing.

Colonial officials will assess who is eligible for British passports through an elaborate points system, and the governor has been given greater flexibility as the final arbiter on who gets the coveted travel documents.

The draft order of the plan laid before Parliament included provisions for those who had shown individual merits, such as bravery or gallantry, and service to a company or firm that has a close connection with Britain.

It estimated about 43,000 places would be awarded within two years, and the remainder would be chosen nearer to the 1997 expiration of the colony's lease.

The order will be debated in a few weeks, and pending its virtual certain approval, the first passports could be granted by spring 1991.

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PEORIA, IL (OCT. 15) UPI - The budget battle has come home for House Republican Leader Robert Michel, whose house was hit by spray-painting vandals.

The vandals painted the messages ''Cut Taxes, Deficit'' and ''Repeal - Stolen Pay Raise'' on the front porch of Michel's fashionable two- story home Sunday and a large dollar sign was drawn on the front door.

''It's one thing to disagree with public officials on the issue but it's another to destroy personal property,'' Michel's chief aide, Ray LaHood, said Monday. ''It belies belief in this day and age. Obviously, there's a few kooks and people on the fringe who feel they have to damage personal property.''

In an earlier graffiti incident in February, the messages ''Pay Raise Thief'' and ''Cong. Thief Drunk'' focused on the congressional pay raise issue and an automobile accident Michel had in California where the congressman had been drinking. Authorities said alcohol was not a factor in the crash.

LaHood said he thinks the same person was responsible for both attacks but no one has been arrested.

Michel was in Washington during the weekend and no one was in his Peoria home.LaHood said Michel did not have to pay for taking the spray paint off the home since it was covered in his homeowner's insurance policy.

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LONDON (OCT. 15) UPI - Stock prices closed slightly higher in light trading Monday on the London International Stock Exchange.

Stocks also rose in Frankfurt, Paris, Zurich and Madrid.

The London blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which slipped 1.8 points Friday, added 1.5 points to 2,101.9. The narrower top 30 industrial average gained 5.4 points to 1,647.4.

Volume amounted to around 367 million shares compared with 375 million shares changing hands Friday.

Analysts said an early rally, which sent the FT-SE 100 up more than 20 points, collapsed shortly before the close when Wall Street started the session by losing 25 points.

Stocks were also hurt by Midland Bank's announcement it was cutting its main office staff 25 percent and selling its headquarters in a leaseback agreement.

On the economic front, the Central Statistical Office reported Britain's retail sales volume rose a provisional 0.5 percent in September from August and was up 0.2 percent from September 1989.

Market forecasts for September called for a rise of about 0.8 percent on the month.

Among the most widely traded stocks, a takeover bid by Burmah Castrol, the lubricants, fuels and chemicals group, for Foseco PLC, the specialty chemicals company sent Burmah plunging and Foseco surging.

Burmah tumbled 78 cents to $8.64 and Foseco, surged $1.79 to $5.32 after Burmah announced it had purchased 8 percent of Foseco PLC for an estimated

$464 million.

News International, the Rupert Murdoch company which publishes The Times of London and The Sun, lost 17 cents to $2.19 amid worries over the company's debts.

Standard Telephones and Cables gained 29 cents to $5.41 after the company confirmed that it was considering take-over options.

Among some of the international issues, Glaxo, the pharmaceutical group, and Imperial Chemical Industries both gained along with other internationals as the pound slipped on global foreign currency markets.

Analysts noted the stocks rose as the pound slipped, which should lift their profits expectations since they have large overseas earnings.

Glaxo added 17 cents to $14.51 and ICI gained 8 cents to $15.74.

Stock prices also closed higher in light trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange as investors showed optimism over the results of the weekend's local elections.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 31.32 points Friday, closed up 19.19 points or 1.3 percent to 1,479.89.

Analysts said stocks moved higher from the opening following the strong showing by the Conservative Christian Democratic Union Party in four of the five new German states in Sunday's local state elections.

Elsewhere in Europe, stocks closed slightly higher in light trading in Paris, Zurich and Madrid.

On the Paris bourse, stocks ended slightly higher boosted in part, analysts said, to a small rally in French bond prices.

In Zurich, the Swiss Market Index added 9.3 points to 1,454.1 while in Madrid the General Index added 1.81 points to 218.03.

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AMRITSAR, INDIA (OCT. 15) UPI - Sikhs seeking independence in the state of Punjab killed at least 24 people during the weekend, including nine felled in a shootout with militants at a farmhouse, police said Monday.

Just before dawn Monday about 12 militants stormed the farmhouse of Nirmal Singh in Dhual Kalan, a village in the outskirts of the Sikh holy city of Amritsar, 250 miles northwest of New Delhi, police said.

They and village residents said militants killed Singh and eight other inmates in the ensuing shootout. The attackers snatched their victims weapons as they fled the village after the gunfight, shouting pro-independence slogans.

Authorities were unable to say why the farmhouse was attacked.

Some villagers said militants attacked Singh because he was an alleged smuggler and an illicit liquor vendor, while others said the attack was aimed to seize Singh's weapons, which included two powerful assault rifles.

Militants ambushed a security patrol on a routine duty in the Amritsar district Sunday night, killing all four of them, police said.

Sikh militants carried out several attacks across the state between Sunday evening and Monday noon, killing at least 11 people, police said, giving few details.

Such violence has been near-daily occurrence in Punjab, rocked since 1983 by the separatist campaign for a theocratic state to be called ''Khalistan,'' or ''Land of the Pure.''

More than 10,000 people have died in the separatist-related violence.

Sikh militants claim that members of their faith need a separate state to escape alleged discrimination practiced against them by the Hindu-dominated central government.

Sikhs make up 2 percent of India's 830 million people, who are mostly Hindus.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - A private funeral service was being planned Monday for composer-conductor Leonard Bernstein as friends and associates paid him tribute as one of the greatest musicians of his time and the first ''global musician.''

''Leonard Bernstein created a new category of American hero - the artist,'' said fellow composer William Schuman, former president of Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts.

''The affection with which he was held by his countryman and the world community transcends his specific accomplishments, which were many.''

Bernstein, 72, died Sunday at his West Side Manhattan apartment of cardiac arrest caused by lung failure only a few days after retiring as a conductor because of ill health. He had been a heavy smoker for years and suffered from

emphysema complicated by a pleural tumor.

The maestro's spokesman, Margaret Carson, said Bernstein's children were arranging a private service ''probably for sometime this week.'' She said plans for a later public memorial service were under discussion.

Bernstein's son, Alexander, and his physician, Dr. Kevin Cahill, were with him when he died.

He also is survived by two daughters, Nina and Mrs. Jamie Thomas, mother of his two grandchildren, his 92-year-old mother, Jennie Bernstein of Brookline, Mass., a sister, Shirley, of New York, and a brother, Burton, of Bridgewater, Conn. Bernstein's wife, actress Felicia Montealegre, died in 1978.

One of Bernstein's proteges and closest friends, conductor Michael Tilson Thomas, said in Miami, Fla., that he had been with Bernstein last Friday in New York and found him ''very concerned about disappointing his audiences by retiring from the podium.''

''He said he wanted to marshal all his remaining energy toward composing more music that would give his public pleasure.''

Thomas, principal conductor of the London Symphony Orchestra and artistic director of the New World Symphony of Miami, said that ''in some ways, Bernstein was the first global musician, someone very special for us as Americans because he was the first to step out into the arena of world music as an equal and even more than an equal.

''He came from America but he comprehended completely all the music of the world and was determined to make all the people in the world make music together. He was one of the greatest music figures of this century, a big and complex personality who loved life and was very generous with his time.''

Recalling that Bernstein burst upon the musical world in 1943 as a pinch-hit conductor of the New York Philharmonic at Carnegie Hall, the hall's executive director, Judith Arrons, said, ''All of us at Carnegie mourn the loss of one of the greatest musicians of our time, a man whose whole musical career was intertwined with the hall.''

Zubin Mehta, conductor of the New York Philharmonic, called Bernstein ''the great communicator.''

''This role, which began with the legendary Young People's Concerts on television in the 1960s is now all-encompassing,'' Mehta said. ''Literally hundreds of recordings and video releases will make him a household name with music lovers everywhere for generations to come.''

Bernstein's unofficial biographer, Joan Peyser, also noted his ''magnificent

legacy'' of four Broadway hit shows, recordings for Columbia and Deutsche Grammaphon, and videos such as his recent appearances with the Vienna Philharmonic that continue to be released.

''I think he put American music on the world map, disseminating American composers in the 1940s and 1950s in Europe,'' Peyser said. ''It would have taken a lot longer if he hadn't been there to do it.''

Bernstein was one the nation's most multi-faceted personalities, garnering acclaim as a composer of symphonic works and musical comedies, including ''West Side Story,'' veteran conductor of the New York and Israel Philharmonics, concert pianist, author and educator. He introduced a generation of American children to classical music by way of television.

The culmination of Bernstein's career, both as a musician and political activist who became involved in many ''causes,'' came early this year when he conducted German symphony orchestras in Beethoven's symbolic Ninth Symphony closing with the ''Ode to Joy'' on both sides of the Berlin Wall within weeks after it had been ruptured. He changed the words to ''Ode to Freedom.''

In commenting on Bernstein's greatness, Schuman recalled that composer Aaron Copeland, a father figure and mentor to Bernstein, once said music is one of the glories of mankind.

"Then surely Leonard Bernstein is one of the glories of music," Schuman said.

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NEWTON, Iowa (OCT. 15) UPI - All production and some support operations at Maytag Company's manufacturing facilities in Newton will be suspended the week of Oct. 22 through Oct. 26, company officials said Monday.

Officials said inventories had built up recently before the reduction of some production levels could take effect. A company spokesman said the short-term correction is needed to adjust present inventories to expected sales.

The vast majority of the approximately 2,000 Maytag production employees affected will receive unemployment compensation and Supplemental Unemployment Benefit payments during the layoff period.

Production at the company's Newton facilities will be resumed Oct. 29.

The company makes electrical household appliances.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - Property and casualty insurers Aetna, AIG, Hartford, Liberty Mutual and USF&G are at risk of collapsing in a deep recession and triggering a crisis on the scale of the savings and loan bailout a consumer group charged Monday.

A Public Citizen study of 20 of the nation's largest insurers failed the five companies on a series of ''solvency tests'' addressing long- term and short-term standards such as loss reserves, liquidity and junk bond holdings.

The industry disputed the findings.

''We regard the accusations by Public Citizen as preposterous,'' said Joyce Willis, director of public relations at the ITT-Hartford Insurance Group in Hartford, Conn. ''It is obvious to us that they've used highly questionable judgments to further their federal legislative agenda.''

But the study warned that ''a combination of low premium volume, high claims, and weak return on investments - all of which occur during an insurance cycle downturn - could spell potential financial trouble for these companies.''

''Two companies, USF&G and Fireman's Fund, exhibited all three of the long term business practices that together Public Citizen consider most indicative of long-term financial ill health,'' the study added.

Fireman's Fund was not included on the list, however, because it is being acquired by Allianz, the German insurance group, according to the consumer organization founded by lawyer Ralph Nader.

''The failure of just one insurance giant would overwhelm the state funds designed to protect policyholders,'' said Joan Claybrook, president of Public Citizen. ''The result could be another taxpayer bailout on the model of the savings and loan industry.''

The study cited mismanagement, overburdened and underfunded state regulatory systems, and insurance cycles aggravated by the McCarran- Ferguson Act, which exempts insurers from antitrust laws, as being at the root of the problem for property and casualty insurers.

''Solvency problems generally do not arise because premium levels are inadequate,'' the study said. ''Many companies operate efficiently and profitably at existing premium levels.

''In fact, some of the most competitively priced insurance companies also prove to be among the healthiest,'' the study said. ''High insurance rates, a matter of great concern for consumers, are often the sign of an inefficient insurance company, not a healthy one.''

Public Citizen recommended a series of reforms to protect the industry,

including: repeal of the McCarran-Ferguson Act to eliminate price-fixing, an increase in the proportion of insurance tax dollars that go toward regulation, and the publication of an annual government report on the financial health of individual insurers.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - President Bush signed into law Monday a bill to compensate hundreds of American civilians whose health and lives were scarred by radiation in the name of national security during the Cold War.

The measure authorizes a $100 million trust fund to pay damage claims to people who developed cancer and other ailments as a result of exposure to fallout from open-air atomic weapons tests in Nevada or radioactive dust they breathed while mining uranium for nuclear bombs.

The fallout victims, also known as the ''downwinders,'' would be eligible for individual payments of $50,000, and the miners, many of them Navajo Indians, could receive $100,000 each. For cases in which would-be beneficiaries already have died, their families or estates can qualify for compensation.

However, no claims actually can be paid before Congress passes a companion appropriations bill to establish the trust fund. The Justice Department is to administer the claims.

The Radiation Exposure Compensation Act received final congressional approval Sept. 27, capping a 12-year battle by the downwinders and uranium miners to win compensation, first in federal court and then on Capitol Hill.

The courts, while finding the government negligent in exposing unwitting citizens to unsafe levels of radiation, ruled the government is immune from such lawsuits and that compensation was a matter for Congress to address.

In the bill that ultimately emerged, Congress ''apologizes on behalf of the nation'' to individuals who were ''involuntarily subjected to increased risk of injury and disease to serve the national security interests of the United States.''

Bush, signing the legislation before departing on a two-day campaign swing through 15 states, called the bill ''fiscally responsible'' and said it was ''the result of close cooperation between the administratin and Congress.''

''This legislation establishes a compensation system in the executive branch that can be administered efficiently and permit eligible claimants to receive compensation without the expense and delay of traditional litigation,'' Bush said.

The president himself offered no apology to the victims of the radiation, but said, the ''compassionate payments ... would fairly resolve'' their claims.

Congress previously has enacted measures to compensate Marshall Islands residents for damage caused by U.S. nuclear weapons tests and to provide disability to U.S. servicemen exposed to nuclear fallout in Nevada and the Pacific.

Last week, the government issued its first batch of $20,000 checks to aging Japanese Americans who were held in internment camps during World War II. Those payments were made under a reparations program signed into law more than two years ago.

The administration had long shown reluctance to support legislation to recompense civilian downwinders and uranium miners. The Justice Department dropped its objections to the bill only after Congress adopted provisions to account for the victims' age, smoking habits and alcohol consumption in determining who is eligible.

The precise number of payments to be made under the new law is unknown.

The measure is expected to settle claims filed on behalf of 500 to 600 residents of Nevada, Utah and Arizona who developed cancer from exposure to radioactive clouds that drifted over their communities in the 1950s and early 1960s. The fallout was produced by above-ground nuclear explosions conducted during that period at the Nevada Test Site, about 65 miles from Las Vegas.

Many of the downwinders were children who died of leukemia.

Compensation also will be provided for 400 to 500 miners who contracted lung cancer or other respiratory diseases by inhaling radioactive dust while digging uranium ore in mines located in Utah, Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming from 1947 until 1971.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - President Bush said Monday that he and both GOP congressional leaders are ''on the same wave length'' in prefering a Senate committee's bipartisan deficit reduction proposal over a House Democratic plan.

Speaking with reporters before leaving on a two-day, five-state political swing, Bush also renewed his attack on Congress for failing to complete work on a budget and deficit cutting plan, prompting an angry reply from House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash.

And the president again refused to clarify publicly which higher taxes he would accept as Congress struggled to complete its budget work by Friday's

deadline, when a bill temporarily funding government operations will expire.

The president has said repeatedly that he would not sign another stop-gap spending bill to keep the government functioning beyond Friday unless Congress sends him a budget and deficit reduction plan by then that he can accept.

Bush, who met Monday with Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas and House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois, said the three of them ''were pretty much on the same wave length'' in prefering the deficit reduction package approved early Saturday by the Senate Finance Committee,

Bush said last week the plan proposed by Democratic members of the House Ways and Means Committee was unacceptable.

The Senate panel's plan would not increase income tax rates for the richest Americans, as would the Democratic plan. But it would double the gasoline tax, from the current 9 cents a gallon to 18.5 cents a gallon. The Democratic plan contains no gasoline tax increases.

House Republicans were still trying to decide Monday whether to offer a GOP alternative deficit reduction package that would be debated either Tuesday or Wednesday on the House floor.

Bush has been walking a delicate political line in trying to work with the Democrats who control Congress to get a budget agreeement while at the same time criticizing Congress for failing to act. Monday, Bush was in attack mode.

''I think it's best this week to just keep the focus that it's the Congress that has the action (on the budget),'' Bush said. ''And the American people seem to understand by significant numbers that it is up in the Congress and it is the Congress to blame.

''So we'll just keep the focus there and still try to work cooperatively with the leaders to get a deal,'' Bush said.

''That's a weak argument for the president to use,'' an angry Foley said when told of Bush's finger-pointing.

He said Bush should not be engaging in ''partisan gaming'' at this point in the budget process and said Bush's comments were ''unwise and not productive.'' He said the administration remains an active player in consideration of the budget and that it would share responsibility for the failure to get a budget plan enacted on time.

Foley said he was not ready to abandon a bipartisan approach to the budget process but said, ''I'm distressed that others seem to be abandoning it.''

Bush was seen as having flip-flopped repeatedly last week in trying to state

his position on what tax increases might be acceptable to him in a deficit reduction plan. And he did nothing Monday to clarify that position.

''I'm not going to say what I will or won't do,'' Bush said. ''That managed to get a little confused last week, so what I'll do is say the action's in the Congress and I will take a look at what comes out. We've indicated to our (congressional) leaders our preferences.''

But he insisted that a final budget agreement still must cut $500 billion from the deficit over five years and that the savings be real and enforceable.

''Let the House work it's will, let the Senate work it's will, and I will stay with what I've said here about the broad parameters,'' Bush said.

Also on Monday, Bush signed an order that would impose up to $105.7 billion in Gramm-Rudman law automatic spending cuts should he and Congress fail to agree on a deficit reduction package whose passage would elminate the cuts.

Those cuts, if they are made, would hit defense and domestic programs equally to force government spending down to $64 billion, the fiscal year 1991 deficit reduction target contained in the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - Iraq today rejected a British warning to get out of Kuwait voluntarily or be forced out at gunpoint. Top Iraqi government officials, quoted on Baghdad Radio, say they woN'T compromise on Kuwait even though they believe war in the Persian Gulf is imminent. The Soviet news agency Novosti, quoting a senior Kremlin official who visited Baghdad, claims that Iraq is looking into a withdrawal as long as it keeps parts of the oil-rich border territory it seized in its lightning August 2nd invasion.

A published report says Saudi Arabia has discovered vast new deposits of high-quality crude oil in previously unexplored areas. The report says the find may boost the Persian Gulf nation's official reserves by 20 percent. It says the Saudis began exploration that led to discovery of the new reserves in central Saudi Arabia more than a year before Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Activity continues on the diplomatic front as Lebanon tries to get rebel Christian General Michel Aoun out of the French embassy in east Beirut, where he is seeking political asylum. His two-year fight with the Beirut government collapsed during the weekend in a battle with Syrian-backed forces. The Lebanese government wants Aoun to stand trial. France reportedly has dispatched helicopters to Cyprus that could be used to evacuate Aoun and his group from its heavily fortified embasssy in Beirut.

The Supreme Court has declined to get involved in the case of two Illinois

police officers who say their constitutional rights were violated because they canNOT wear stud earrings while either on or off duty. A federal district court has already upheld the right of the village of Peotone, south of Chicago to issue the order barring off-duty male officers from wearing earrings. The court ruled the police chief had the power to issue the order to protect the morale of his department.

The addition of Justice David Souter was supposed to produce a more conservative Supreme Court, but that's NOT the case in a ruling that upholds a decision on the flag burning issue. The nation's high court todayoverturned a lower court ruling that a flag burner could be prosecuted for ''breach of the peace''... even though NO violence followed his actions. 23-year-old William Carey, a Navy Reservist, was convicted after burning a flag in 1988 to protest U-S policy in Central America.

Internationally acclaimed musician Leonard Bernstein is dead at age 72. The versatile composer, conductor and pianist died of cardiac arrest last night at his home in New York City. Bernstein's death comes only days after he retired from public performance on the advice of his doctor. Boston Pops director John Williams said Bernstein's departure creates ''an unfillable gap in our artistic and spiritual life.''

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WEST HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 15) UPI - Two playful baby cougars seized from New York Yankees outfielder Mel Hall are thriving at a small zoo and are a hit with staff and visiting children, officials said Monday.

''They are growing fast,'' said George T. Donnelly, spokesman for the Science Museum of Connecticut. ''It's like having a kitten at home, but translate that to them. They play with a tire'' instead of a string.

It is illegal to keep cougars in Connecticut and the animals, named Tyler and Tawny by museum staff, were taken from Hall's home in Fairfield in July following an anonymous tip, state wildlife officials said.

Hall bought the cougars for $4,600 from Daniel L. Braun, a Fort Lauderdale, Fla., exotic pet dealer. Hall showed them off to teammates in the Yankees clubhouse. He was arrested Oct. 6 and faces up to $400 in fines and 60 days in jail if convicted.

The cougar cubs were well cared for and have doubled their weight to at least 50 pounds since coming to the museum's small zoo, Donnelly said.

Now 21 weeks old, they eat a special high-protein meat mixture packaged like a huge saugage, play with the staff and have nearly lost the ''baby'' spots on their fur, he said.

''The male is very friendly. He will play and bite our shoelaces, but the female is a little standoffish,'' Donnelly said.

The cougars - also known as mountain lions or pumas - are on the federal government's endangered species list.

Tyler and Tawny cannot be released to the wild because both have been declawed and were raised in captivity. They also will grow too large for the museum's zoo.

''That's three strikes against them, so they could not survive,'' Donnelly said. ''They were not mistreated in any way, shape, or form, but we will not be able to keep them here as they become 200-pound animals.''

Federal wildlife officials will decide what becomes of the cougars, but they likely will be moved to a larger zoo, he said.

Hall was to appear Oct. 30 in Bridgeport Superior Court.

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DEARBORN, MI (OCT. 15) UPI - Ford Motor Co.'s chairman said Monday the company's $500 million investment in electronics is vital to the No. 2 carmaker because the value of such components in a typical car should double to about $2,000 within the next ten years.

In opening the three-day International Congress of Transportation Electronics in Dearborn, Mich., called "Convergence 1990," Ford Chairman Harold Poling said electronics will help the auto industy meet ever-increasing demands to improve quality, fuel economy, safety and serviceability, all while reducing emissions, weight and cost.

"We believe the electronics industry will play a pivotal role in the future of the automotive industry - an industry that, as you know, has faced formidable challenges over the past decade or so," he said.

Poling cited a University of Michigan study which predicts that almost every new function envisioned for vehicles in future years would depend on electronic technology.

"The fastest growth will be in the areas of chassis electronics and environmental control features," Poling said, but hastened to add that new emissions proposals and more stringent fuel economy standards "will present severe difficulties" for automakers.

He also noted that while the costs of some electronics have fallen 35 percent

during the past 15 years, the costs of automotive goods and services have virtually doubled.

Part of Fords's $500 million commitment to electronics includes the recent renovation and expansion of its Scientific Research Labs in Dearborn, Mich. Ford also is building an electronics and radio plant in Portugal to supply its European vehicles, and just completed construction of electronics plants in Philadelphia and Cadiz, Spain.

Poling predicted that personal computers, fax machines and collision avoidance systems would make their way into cars in increasing numbers during the 1990s. He also said the advent of sophisticated navigation systems may allow cars to "virtually drive themselves.

"For a guy like me, whose first car was a Model A... all of this is truly amazing," Poling said. "So the evolution of electronic technology thus far has been remarkable, and the future holds even greater promise."

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - Farm-state lawmakers used an environmental shield during debate on the new farm policy law but now are trying to water down two key proposals on pesticides, an environmental leader charged Monday.

One of the proposals would require farmers to keep records of their pesticide use. The other, to break the so-called circle of poison, would bar the export of pesticides that cannot be used in the United States.

Both were approved during floor debate in the House and Senate but are in peril during negotiations over the final version of the farm bill, said Ken Cook of the Center for Resource Economics.

Environmentalists helped farm-state congressmen head off challenges to the farm program with the argument the program provided the government's only leverage for ensuring soil and water conservation. Cook said some farm bill negotiators are now shortchanging the environmental community.

The shift, Cook said, underscored a belief among some environmentalists that ''cooperation with the Agriculture Committee doesn't work.''

Environmentalists, including moderates, have warned in the past that their support for the farm program could be withdrawn if their concerns are slighted.

As it stands, the farm bill would retain the requirement for farmers to practice conservation to qualify for farm program benefits and would toughen protection of wetlands, as well as creating two programs to pay farmers for steps to preserve wetlands and avoid chemical contamination of water supplies.

''It's going to be an entirely different picture if they leave a big chunk out of it,'' Cook said, referring to the pesticide issues. ''It's a package. We're 50 years into this chemical revolution and we have no idea of how much of it is being used.''

According to Capitol Hill sources, negotiations were heading toward a requirement for record-keeping only on restricted-use pesticides, rather than all pesticides as approved by the House and favored by environmentalists. A key remaining issue was who would have access to the records.

The Senate voted to limit access to the records to government employees only. The House voted to allow some information to be released to the public but it would not include the name of the farmer or the precise location that a chemical was used.

One source credited committee Chairman Rep. Kika de la Garza, D- Texas, with pressing for a resolution on record-keeping. Some members would like to drop the provision entirely.

On exports, sources said there was a substantial movement toward a set of rules proposed by Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind. They would allow exports of pesticides as long as they were registered in the United States, had a U.S. tolerance level, or were approved by other industrialized nations.

The Lugar rules would be far less restrictive than the House or Senate language. Critics said Lugar's language would bar export of only two chemicals chlordane and heptachlor.

The House and Senate voted to bar exports of pesticides banned in the United States and those that are not registered for U.S. use or do not have a food tolerance level.

Proponents say the restrictions are needed to prevent a ''circle of poison'' in which dangerous chemicals are exported and return as residues on imported foods. Opponents say the limits would simply inspire chemical companies to shoft production to other countries or drive up costs to U.S. farmers. Exports account for a large part of chemical sales.

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OTTAWA (OCT. 15) UPI - Teaching criminals to read and write offers the best hope for their rehabilitation and ability to function outside prison, Barbara Bush, wife of President George Bush, said Monday.

Bush, who was in Ottawa to help launch a four-day conference on literacy within the prison system, told corrections officials that poor education

doesn't excuse crime, but it limits people's options and affects the way they view life.

Before criminals can truly be free, she said ''they must first be released from the prison inside their heads.''

Bush said that when she sees the FBI's 10 Most Wanted List, ''I think if we made them feel more wanted earlier they wouldn't be wanted now.''

Bush, who has spent years championing literacy in the United States and internationally, said there are scores of success stories that indicate reading and writing pays off for offenders.

Timmy, who was convicted in the United States of armed robbery, told Bush in a letter he hoped to teach when he is released in 10 years. ''Now that I'm able to read I feel much better about myself,'' he wrote.

According to Bush, 80 percent of prisoners have no high school diploma and 75 percent lack basic reading and writing skills. ''Poor literacy and crime are linked,'' she said.

Bush said offenders can learn one of two things in prison: to do the crime better or how to stop doing the crime. Attending school is the best possible use of time for offenders, she said.

Meanwhile, Canadian corrections officials told the conference there is no direct link between illiteracy and crime. But it is widely recognized that illiteracy can contribute to joblessness and a delinquent lifestyle.

Offenders who cannot read and write have a more difficult time coping when they are released from prison.

A literacy campaign launched three years ago within the prison system resulted in a 900 percent increase in eight grade completions. There has been an 850 percent increase in the number of literate inmates in the United States since similar programs were launched there in 1982.

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NEW DELHI, India (OCT. 15) UPI - Black leader Nelson Mandela arrived in India Monday and urged the government to continue its support of the fight against apartheid in South Africa, saying the racist government policy is in ''the last throes of its demise.''

Mandela, who arrived in New Delhi from Nairobi, Kenya, made his remarks during a speech to thousands of cheering Indians at a public rally organized in his honor.

''We are here to appeal to you for your continued political, moral, material and financial support as we enter this crucial phase in our struggle for our liberation,'' Mandela told the crowd. ''At the top of our agenda is the ending of apartheid, because as long as apartheid remains in force violence will continue.''

The deputy president and de facto leader of the African National Congress said violence in South Africa was a sign the apartheid system was ending.

''Never in the history of the human race has a privileged group voluntarily abdicated its power,'' Mandela said. ''South Africa is no exception. Apartheid is in the last throes of its demise and the present violence is indicative of that position.''

Earlier, Prime Minister V.P. Singh and President R. Venkataraman met with Mandela and told him the Indian government had set aside $1 million in assistance to Mandela and his fight against apartheid.

Mandela is in India for a scheduled five-day official visit before traveling on to Brunei, Malaysia, Indonesia, Australia and Japan. He is accompanied by a five-member delegation but not his wife, Winnie.

Mandela, who is being treated as a head of state during his visit, received a ceremonial reception. He drove up in a motorcade to the British-built presidential palace and his vehicle was escorted by horse- mounted lancers in blue turbans and white uniforms from the front gates into the sprawling forecourt of the massive dome-topped building.

Mandela was greeted by Singh, Venkataraman, Foreign Minister I.K. Gujral and other senior officials. He then inspected a military honor guard.

Talking to news reporters moments later, Mandela said it has been one of his ''greatest ambitions'' to visit India.

''It has been my ambition to visit the country because of its history and background,'' Mandela said. ''Second, you must remember the strong ties that exist between South Africa and India. It was after all Mahatma Gandhi who ... established a tradition of non-violent struggle in our country. We have since been influenced by that tradition.

During his speech Monday evening, Mandela said he was thankful to the government of India for its longstanding support of the ANC call for diplomatic and economic sanctions against South Africa.

''India was the first country to voice its abhorrence of apartheid to the world,'' Mandela said. ''Through your consistent support for our struggle, we have now entered a new phase of history in South Africa.

''The African National Congress has been unbanned. Our political leaders have been released and political executions have been suspended. Further, the state of emergency has been partially lifted and exiles are returning and talks towards negotiations are in progress.''

Mandela noted, however, although some political prisoners have been released, ''thousands still languish in various jails of South Africa.''

''These developments are indeed victories for the people, achieved by them through their courageous resistance and sacrifice,'' Mandela said, adding his task is to ''transform this fractured society into a harmonious whole.''

Tuesday, Mandela is to receive the nation's highest civilian award, the Bharat Ratna, during an official ceremony. Wednesday, he is to fly to Agra to visit the Taj Mahal before traveling on to the Hindu holy city of Varanasi to receive a doctorate degree from the Banaras Hindu University.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 15) UPI - United Airlines Monday placed a $22 billion order with The Boeing Co. for up to 128 widebody jets - the biggest such order in commercial airline history and the first for the new Boeing 777.

The order, including options, calls for delivery of 68 Boeing 777s and 60 Boeing 747-400s beginning in 1994 and continuing at least through 2001. If all options are taken, deliveries would stretch out at least until 2004. All the planes will be powered by Pratt & Whitney PW-4000 engines. Pratt & Whitney said the order is worth $1.8 billion.

The order for the 777s came despite the fact Boeing has not formally launched full-scale production of the plane, a twin-jet expected to fill a market gap between the 767 and the 747. The plane would compete with the Airbus Industrie A-330, which is already on the market.

In Seattle, Boeing spokesman Jack Gamble said Boeing's board of directors will decide at an Oct. 29 meeting whether to pursue development of the 777, which is expected to cost $4 billion or more to get off the ground. Earlier this year Boeing announced that three major Japanese companies would help with development of major portions of the aircraft.

Monday's big widebody order was United's third major aircraft order in 18 months. "Last year, when we announced both our record order of 370 narrow bodies - Boeing 737s and 757s - and an additional order for 32 Boeing 767-300s we said our next step would be to expand and modernize our widebody fleet," United Chairman Stephen Wolf told reporters.

"With today's announcement, we have made good on that promise to equip United with the newest most modern and efficient jet aircraft well into the next century," Wolf said.

Wolf set the value of the widebody order at $22 billion, but noted the figure was "in essence sticker price plus escalation." UAL and Boeing said it was the biggest widebody order in commercial airline history. "We're hoping to pay a tad less than $22 billion," he added.

The new order comes less than a week after the collapse of an employee buyout of United's parent UAL Corp. UAL directors last Tuesday terminated a merger agreement with the employee group and endorsed continuation of Wolf's aggressive expansion plans.

"Although the order is significant, it is but one component of a comprehensive strategic plan set in motion at the beginning of 1988," Wolf said.

United had planned to finalize the widebody order during the summer but put off awarding the contract at the request of the buyout group, which hoped to use it as leverage to raise $750 million in subordinated financing from the airline's suppliers.

"If the buyout had succeeded last week we probably would have allowed them to make determination on what aircraft they were going to buy and probably would have waited until the ownership of the company had changed," Wolf told reporters. He refused to say how the new order would be financed.

"Clearly it's a fairly large capital commitment we need to get financed in the years ahead and we believe we'll be able to do that," Wolf said. "We've got plenty of time to sort out whether we will acquire or lease or just how we'll finance the aircraft," he added.

But he said the aircraft order would have "very, very little effect in the near term" on UAL's fat cash reserve - estimated by analysts at $1 billion to $1.4 billion.

UAL unions, still interested in a buyout despite their failure to finance for their last bid, have been eying that cash reserve as a potential source of capital for a revised buyout offer.

The agreement between UAL and Boeing includes firm orders for 34 Boeing 777s and 30 Boeing 747-400s, on options for equal numbers of each model. The 777s will seat 363 passengers - including 38 in first class - and have a range of 4,800 miles. They will replace United's DC-10 aircraft on domestic routes. The first 11 are scheduled for delivery in 1995.

The 747-400s will continue to be used as the primary aircraft on United's expanding international routes. The new order is in addition to a previous

United order for 15 of the long-range, fuel-efficient 747- 400s - six of which have been delivered so far.

The first 747-400s in the new order are to be delivered beginning in 1994. Seating configurations have yet to be determined. Of the 15 previously ordered the six already delivered carry 392 passengers and the nine still on order are to carry 448 passengers.

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PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (OCT. 15) UPI - The Czechoslovak Communist Party faced increasing pressure Monday from various political forces as the first anniversary of the November ''Velvet Revolution'' approaches.

In a series of developments:

-President Vaclav Havel's office expanded on the idea of putting communism on mock trial in condemnation of 42 years of monopoly rule.

-The federal agency auditing Communist Party property accused it of hiding much of its wealth in joint ventures.

-A group of anti-communist reform officers is presenting evidence that the army tried to suppress the mass demonstrations last November that toppled the regime.

-Finance Minister Vaclav Klaus was elected chairman of Civic Forum, which led the revolution, putting more pressure on the communists.

Havel's spokesman expanded Monday on a proposal the president made the previous day to put communism on mock trial.

Havel said Sunday, ''We should consider very seriously the idea of a symbolic moral trial at which the previous 40-year regime should be condemned. We must be willing to say clearly that ... people were innocent victims of the regime.''

Spokesman Michal Zantovsky said the president ses a trial similar to one organized in Britain in the 1970s by the philosopher Bertrand Russell that put the United States on symbolic trial for its involvement in Vietnam.

Also on Monday, the federal Ministry of Control, charged with auditing the property of the Communist Party and its front organizations, presented an interim report accusing the communists of hiding much of their wealth in joint ventures.

It said the party tried in early 1990 to transfer its property to sympathetic

local government organizations.

Meanwhile, army representatives are coming under increasing pressure to reveal any plans or orders they had to suppress demonstrations last November.

According to the Czechoslovak news agency CTK, members of the Free Legion, a group of anti-communist reform officers, gave documents last Friday to a presidential commission investigating the army's role in the events.

Free Legion is locked in a battle with the army high command and Defense Minister Miroslaw Vacek over what it describes as incompetent officers appointed during communist rule and still loyal to the party.

In another development, Vaclav Klaus, the country's free-market finance minister, was elected chairman of Civic Forum.

Klaus is expected to transform the Forum into a right-of-center organization promoting his free-market reforms, which have been the main focus of the communists' political objections.

Klaus' main responsibility will be to consolidate the umbrella group's various factions behind the economic reforms, and to carry the Forum's banner into critical local government elections Nov. 23-24.

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HARRISBURG, PA (OCT. 15) UPI - Gov. Robert P. Casey vetoed a bill Monday that would have allowed Pennsylvania savings and loan institutions to compete in the national market.

Casey said his veto was in reaction to the nationwide thrift crisis, which is expected to cost taxpayers at least $500 billion in the form of bail-outs. The bill passed the state Senate April 2 by a vote of 46-2 and passed the state House Oct. 2 on a 160-33 vote.

Sponsored by State Senate Majority Leader F. Joseph Loeper, the bill would have allowed Pennsylvania's thrifts to acquire other thrifts elsewhere in the country, or to be acquired by other banks. It would also have allowed state S&Ls to form mutual holding companies that could make acquisitions.

Currently, the 141 S&Ls based in Pennsylvania have not been permitted to open branches or acquire subsidiary companies beyond an eight-state region. Expansion in those states was permitted only where thrift laws were reciprocal with Pennsylvania's. The bill required state Department of Banking approval, and was supported by the department.

Casey said the bill was not in the best interests of the S&L industry and its

investors, and called it "premature." "Until more progress has been made by the federal government in reforming the deposit insurance system and the financial services industries, especially the thrift industry, I do not believe Pennsylvania should rush into such a substantial revision of our own statute," he said.

The veto was Casey's second in recent days. On Friday night, he vetoed the repeal of the so-called six percent widow's tax, calling it a disguised "windfall for the rich."

Republicans criticized the widow's tax veto and vowed an override attempt when the General Assembly returns after the election. Sponsors of the S&L bill were not immediately available for comment.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - The Supreme Court took a dual swipe at state rights Monday, ruling some states must get federal approval before creating new judgeships and blocking state prosecution of airlines for false advertising.

The justices also ordered an appeals court to decide whether there is a loophole in the high court's ruling in June that burning the flag is a constitutionally protected form of expression.

In a unanimous decision, issued without detailed comment, the nine justices affirmed the decision of a federal district court in Georgia that the Voting Rights Act of 1964 requires that state to continue to receive federal approval before creating new judgeships.

The requirement is to guard against racial discrimination, but the state had asked the high court to find its current methods of choosing judges did not require federal oversight or violate the law. The high court ruling affects those states, mainly in the South, covered by the Voting Rights Act.

On the other states' rights issue, the justices refused to review an April decision of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals that barred 34 states from enforcing state false advertising laws against 14 specific airlines.

The appeals court said the federal Airline Deregulation Act of 1978 bars such state prosecutions, leaving regulation of airline advertising claims to the Department of Transportation.

In the issue of burning of the American flag, the court vacated a lower court ruling that said a flag burner can be prosecuted for ''breach of the peace'' even when no violence followed his action.

The court sent the case back to the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals for reconsideration in light of the high court's June ruling that flag burning is a form of political speech protected by the First Amendment.

The appeals court had sided with prosecutors, who argued that William Cary could have incited riot when he burned a flag during a demonstration against U.S. policies in Honduras March 18, 1988, outside an Armed Forces Recruitment Center in Minneapolis.

It ruled that because there was vandalism during the demonstration, the flag burning occurred ''in a context of violence'' and the case against Cray was not an issue of protected speech but of ''preventing breaches of the peace.''

The appeals court must now reconsider its ''breach of the peace'' rationale in light of the high court's June decision, which struck down an anti-flag burning law enacted by Congress as violating the First Amendment.

In other actions Monday before beginning a two-week recess, the court:

-Let stand a ruling that the forfeiture provisions of the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act can apply to an obscenity case. The 4th Circuit Court of Appeals had upheld RICO forfeiture in a case involving a Virginia couple that operated nine video rental stores and three bookstores in suburban Virginia just outside the nation's capital.

The ruling forced Dennis and Barbara Pryba to forfeit to the government shares of stock in five companies, corporate assets, real estate and motor vehicles - all for selling four videotapes and six magazines deemed obscene with a total value of $105.30. Attorneys for the couple argued that making an obscenity offense punishable under the RICO statute violated the First Amendment.

-Agreed to decide whether a death sentence is unconstitutional when it is imposed despite a prosecutor's assurance that it would not be sought. The case stemmed from an Idaho judge's directive that Bryan Stuart Lankford be executed for the beating death of a couple on a camping trip. Lankford's attorney said he did not argue against imposition of the death penalty because he had received a written assurance it would not be sought.

-Refused to review a military court's aggravated assault conviction of a serviceman infected with the AIDS virus for trying to engage in homosexual activity without using a condom or informing his partner of his condition.

-Let stand a ruling the Peotone, Ill., police department could order male officers in the small town not to wear earrings, even while off duty.
-Allowed to stand a ruling that federal antitrust laws can be used to halt the merger of non-profit hospitals.

-Agreed to decide whether a damaging job recommendation from a former federal

government employer can constitute malice.

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HAZMIYEH, LEBANON (OCT. 15) UPI - Rebel Christian Gen. Michel Aoun remained holed up in the French Embassy Monday, seeking refuge, while President Elias Hrawi maneuvered to gain custody of Aoun so he could stand trial.

Meanwhile in Christian east Beirut, Syrian troops fortified their positions Monday after overnight clashes broke out between Shiite fundamentalists and Syrian-backed Christian militiamen, killing 16 people, security sources said.

Militiamen of the pro-Iranian Hezbollah and the Syrian-backed Christian breakaway Lebanese Forces militia of Elie Hobeika exchanged machine-gun fire and rocket-propelled grenades in east Beirut Sunday night.

Sources added that the clashes erupted after Hezbollah fighters advanced from their positions in Beirut's southern suburbs behind Syrian troops who captured Aoun's headquarters and parts of east Beirut.

A Hezbollah statement accused Hobeika's gunmen of ''looting, killing and humilating civilians'' in the Christian areas and warned that the party will confront them until the Lebanese authorities take charge of security in the region.

A spokesman for Hobeika's militia said Hezbollah members tried to loot the Christian shops in Hadeth after the Syrians defeated Aoun's Army in the area.

Hrawi met with French ambassador Rene Ala at the temporary presidential residence in west Beirut and told him ''the government wants to try Aoun before deciding whether to allow him to leave,'' one official said Sunday.

''Hrawi warned Ala that any French attempt to evacuate Aoun and his fellow rebel officers without the government's consent would trigger a serious crisis between Lebanon and France,'' the official said.

French President Francois Mitterrand said Monday in Paris he will reject any request to turn Aoun in to Lebanese authorities, insisting that French honor is at stake.

''General Aoun has sought refuge in the French Embassy. He has demanded that France grant him political asylum, and France has accorded it to him. This is now a question of honor for France, which will protect General Aoun,'' Mitterrand said.

The pro-Syrian president told Ala to relay a demand to the French government to withdraw its political asylum to Aoun and his officers who took refuge at

the French Embassy in the Christian district of Hazmiyeh on the eastern outskirts of Beirut.

Aoun was holed up with his advisers at the embassy pending government permission for him to leave for France.

In Paris, about 100 Aoun supporters occupied the Lebanese Embassy for a second day Sunday, vowing to remain there until their leader is granted political asylum in France.

France said Saturday it granted Aoun political refuge and was studying ways to help him leave Lebanon.

As a diplomatic crisis appeared looming between Lebanon and France over Aoun's fate, French guards at the hilltop embassy and the nearby French ambassador's residence took precautionary measures.

Dozens of French guards laid mines along a barbed-wire fence around the embassy and the nearby residence, barring reporters from entering the compound.

Witnesses said the families of the deposed officers joined them at the heavily guarded building amid reports that France had dispatched helicopters to Cyprus in preparation to evacuate the trapped military group.

In the hillside district of Hazmiyeh, where many pro-Aoun Christian civilians live, residents were shocked Saturday when a joint Syrian-Lebanese force launched an offensive and forced the defiant officers to hide at the French Embassy.

Steel-helmeted Syrian troops checked identity cards and searched cars at checkpoints in Hazmiyeh. Grim-faced residents cleared rubble in and outside their houses while tanks roared on the shell-pocked roads.

The wide-scale attack Saturday backed by Syrian-manned warplanes, tanks and heavy armor, left at least 130 people dead and 500 wounded, according to updated hospital reports.

Army Commander Gen. Emile Lahoud inspected Baabda Palace and the nearby ministry of defense as his tanks, flying white flags, manned the streets of Aoun's enclave.

Witnesses said Syrian troops deployed in large numbers along with Lebanese soldiers inside and around the heavily damaged Baabda Palace.

Aoun had refused to step down since he was appointed head of a transitional government by former President Amin Gemayel Sept. 22, 1988, after Parliament failed to elect a new president.

Aoun engaged troops in a futile ''war of liberation'' against Syria's 35,000 soldiers in Lebanon last that left more than 1,000 people dead. He then rebuffed a national reconciliation agreement endorsed by Lebanese lawmakers a year ago in Taif, Saudi Arabia.

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LIMA, Peru (OCT. 15) UPI - Left-wing Peruvian guerrillas occupied the Lima headquarters of the Italian news agency ANSA Monday and forced a correspondent to transmit a revolutionary proclamation, the bureau manager said.

Alberto Ku King said that three masked insurgents - two men and a woman - surprised ANSA correspondent Carlos Alvarez as he was opening the metal door to enter the office in the San Isidro neighborhood.

Ku King said the guerrillas, armed with grenades and pistols, forced him to send off a proclamation giving the program of the Tupac Amaru rebel organization in their Third Plenum, or general assembly.

Intruders then painted the walls with slogans alluding to the Third Plenum that was held ''somewhere in the country'' and fled, saying they had left behind a time bomb, Ku King said.

Police arrived 20 minutes later and said they had deactivated the explosive device, Ku King said.

The proclamation was signed by Victor Polay Campos, ''commanding general'' of the Tupac Amaru group. He escaped from jail with 47 other members of his organization July 9.

Tupac Amaru and the ultra-leftist Shining Path are the two guerrilla groups active in Peru in recent years.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 15) UPI - Former Lincoln Savings & Loan head Charles Keating broke his silence Monday to rebuke prosecutors for charging him with defrauding thousands of investors who bought now-worthless junk bonds at the failed thrift.

"It's dangerous to be right when the government is wrong," Keating said to news photographers as was being brought to court from County Jail for a hearing. The remark was his first public comment on his legal problems, other than his plea of "absolutely not guilty" when he was arraigned earlier this month.

Superior Court Judge Lance Ito set a tentative Dec. 5 trial date for Keating and three codefendants, but Keating's lawyer said he doesn't expect the case to go to trial before next spring.

"In my opinion, my client cannot possibly prepare to go to trial by that date " Keating attorney Steven Neal told the judge. "I would resist going to trial at that date. I'm shooting for early March next year."

Neal cited the complexity of the case in which Keating and three associates are charged with bilking 23,000 investors, mostly elderly people, out of $250 million through the sale of junk bonds at Lincoln branches. The bonds now are virtually worthless.

Neal reminded the judge that there are 42 volumes of grand jury transcripts and 600 exhibits encompassing the testimony of 94 witnesses. The judge indicated that the Dec. 5 date was not firm, saying, "I think we're being overly-optimistic about that date."

The judge also scheduled a hearing for Oct. 26 at which the defense will argue for dismissal of the charges. The judge at that time will also consider extending an order sealing the grand jury transcripts.

Keating, 66, entered the courtroom from a lockup area smiling broadly and frequently looked at family members sitting in the courtroom. He remains in custody in lieu of $5 million bail. His lawyers, having exhausted the state appellate process, last week asked a federal judge to lower the bail. Further proceedings on that request are set for Tuesday.

Keating has been held in County Jail since Sept. 18, when the extraordinary bail was set by Superior Court Judge Gary Klausner, who said Keating was a flight risk.

Keating, the former chairman of the parent company of Irvine, Calif.-based Lincoln Savings, just three years ago estimated his wealth at nearly $40 million. He now claims he is $5.2 million in debt and cannot post the high bail.

The four defendants are charged with 42 counts of securities fraud alleging they schemed to sell the junk bonds issued by Lincoln's parents, American Continental Corp., without telling investors that the bonds were high-risk and uninsured. Authorities say many of the victims lost their life savings.

The codefendants include Judy J. Wischer, 42, former president of American Continental; Rob S. Symes, 37, former Lincoln chief executive officer; and Ray C. Fidel, former Lincoln president. Wischer is free on $200,000 bail; Symes and Fidel are free on $100,000 bail apiece. All defendants have pleaded innocent to the charges. If convicted, they could be sentenced to up to ten years in state prison.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 15) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	79.15	79.30	78.92	78.97	79.00
Dec	75.85	76.17	75.65	75.65	75.65
Feb	73.95	74.22	73.75	73.85	73.75
Apr	75.10	75.30	74.87	74.92	74.92
Jun	72.95	73.00	72.65	72.75	72.77
Aug	70.80	71.20	70.80	70.90	70.77
Oct	71.20	71.47	71.20	71.30	71.25

Est. sales 11,357 contracts; Friday 15,992; open interest 67,788 off 394.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	87.65	87.95	87.30	87.32	87.62
Nov	85.95	86.60	85.90	86.00	85.85
Jan	84.60	84.90	84.40	84.50	84.55
Mar	82.62	83.00	82.62	82.62	82.62
Apr	82.4e	82.60	82.37	82.40	82.30
May	81.60	81.70	81.52	81.52	81.40
Aug	81.00	81.00	81.00	81.00	81.00

Est. sales 1,363 contracts; Friday 1,899; open interest 11,403 up 144.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	58.15	58.92	58.15	58.30	57.62
Dec	55.35	55.87	54.57	54.75	55.02
Feb	52.75	53.10	52.05	52.15	52.52
Apr	49.10	49.55	48.40	48.57	49.05
Jun	52.80	52.95	51.90	51.97	52.60
Jly	52.97	53.00	52.35	52.35	52.80
Aug	....	51.40	51.25	51.25	51.30
Oct	46.40	46.40	46.25	46.25	46.40

Est. sales 7,535 contracts; Friday 8,720; open interest 26,582 up 216. Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	67.50	68.40	65.25	65.42	66.40
Mar	67.35	68.32	65.05	65.25	66.32
May	67.00	68.15	65.25	65.35	66.15
Jly	66.00	67.05	64.25	64.25	65.05
Aug	64.75	66.50	62.90	62.90	64.67

Est. sales 2,510 contracts; Friday 2,156; open interest 7,976 off 19.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Monday's beef and pork report, FOB Omaha basis.

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lb 122.66 up 5 cents, 700-850 lb 122.05 up 9 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lb 115.38 up 16 cents, 700-850 lb 114.13 up 16 cents.

Pork carlot trading steady; demand very light; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were not tested; skinned hams and seedless bellies were not established.

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DALLAS (OCT. 15) UPI - President Bush will take a break from campaigning for fellow Republicans and pushing Congress for a new budget to attend the second game of the World Series in Cincinnati, the White House announced Monday.

A spokesman said Bush will fly from Washington to Cincinnati to watch Wednesday's nationally televised game between the Cincinnati Reds and the Oakland A's.

The trip was announced while Bush began a two-day, five-state campaign swing on behalf of GOP candidates, and as he pressed Congress to pass a new deficit-cutting budget by Friday, when emergency funding expires.

Bush, a former Yale first baseman, will fly to the World Series aboard the new Air Force One, a jumbo Boeing 747.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - Another part of South Africa's legal apartheid system has come to an end. The government has abolished the 37-year-old Separate Amenities Act that segregated such public facilities as toilets and swimming pools. The act was adopted in 1953 following a campaign of defiance by a then-youthful black leader by the name of Nelson Mandela . The end of the act does NOT end the problem. Some towns under tight conservative control vow to use loopholes in the law to keep their areas segregated.

Israel is NOT cooperating with a U-N delegation that's supposed to investigate last week's deaths of at least 20 Palestinians during rioting on Jerusalem's Temple Mount. The United States was among the Security Council members voting to condemn Israel for its actions. President Bush declines direct comment on the situation other than to say he feels the U-N resolution calling for an investigation should be- in his words- ''fully implemented.''

The state of Georgia has lost a battle before the Supreme Court to overturn part of the 1964 Voting Rights Act that says the federal government must

approve new judgeships. Georgia argued the section of the law was the most extreme case it could find of Congress intruding into the authority of a state. But the Supreme Court disagreed and supported a federal court decision upholding the judgeship portion of the Voting Rights Act.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher has joined President Bush in congratulating Soviet President Gorbachev on his winning the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize. Thatcher calls the award ''richly deserved.'' Gorbachev was honored for his actions that kept former Communist governments of Eastern Europe from crushing the mostly peaceful revolutions that swept them from power last year.

Pro-democracy Kuwaiti refugees today won a bigger role in their post-liberation government following a historic three-day meeting in Saudi Arabia. The Jeddah conference adopted a goal-stating communique in which Kuwait's crown prince Sheik Saad Al-Sabah agreed to create a committee to expand the involvement of Kuwaitis in daily government affairs. The meeting was aimed at helping to chart a course for Kuwait once it is reclaimed from Iraq.

In London, published reports today identified the ''fifth man'' of the notorious Cambridge Spy Ring that fed secrets to the Soviet Union. He was retired British official John Cairncross, who now lives in southern France. The highest-ranking K-G-B officer to defect to Britain is quoted as saying Cairncross ''provided tons of documents'' to the Kremlin. The identity of the fifth man had remained a mystery that led to several theories of who was the unknown member of the ring. The spy ring was recruited during the 1950's among disaffected leftist students at Cambridge University.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 15) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.65	2.67 3/4	2.63	2.65	2.66 1/2
Mar	2.79	2.81	2.76 1/2	2.78	2.80 1/2
May	2.85	2.88	2.84 1/4	2.85 3/4	2.88 1/4
Jly	2.90	2.91 1/2	2.87 1/2	2.88 3/4	2.91
Sep	2.94	2.96	2.94	2.94	2.96
Dec	3.06	3.06	3.06	3.06	3.08
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.28 1/2	2.29 1/4	2.27	2.28	2.30 1/4
Mar	2.38	2.38 3/4	2.36 3/4	2.37 1/4	2.39 3/4
May	2.44	2.44	2.42 3/4	2.43 1/4	2.45 1/4
Jly	2.47 1/2	2.48	2.46 3/4	2.47 1/4	2.49 1/4
Sep	2.46 1/2	2.46 1/2	2.45 1/4	2.45 1/4	2.47 1/4

Dec	2.48 1/2	2.48 1/2	2.47 1/2	2.47 3/4	2.49 3/4
Mar	2.54 3/4	2.54 3/4	2.54	2.54	2.56

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.17 3/4	1.20 1/4	1.17 3/4	1.19 3/4	1.19 1/4
Mar	1.28 1/2	1.30 1/2	1.28 1/4	1.30	1.29 1/2
May	1.35 1/4	1.37 1/4	1.35 1/4	1.37	1.36 3/4
Jly	1.41 1/2	1.42 3/4	1.41 1/2	1.42 3/4	1.42
Sep	....	....	....	1.48 1/2	1.48 1/2

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	6.17	6.18 1/4	6.12 1/2	6.14 1/4	6.20 1/2
Jan	6.31	6.33	6.27 1/2	6.28 3/4	6.35 1/4
Mar	6.44	6.45 1/2	6.40 1/2	6.41 3/4	6.47 3/4
May	6.54	6.55 1/4	6.50 1/2	6.51 1/4	6.57
Jly	6.62	6.63 3/4	6.59	6.60	6.65 3/4
Aug	6.57	6.59	6.56	6.56	6.59 1/2
Sep	6.35	6.38	6.34	6.34	6.36 1/2
Nov	6.26	6.31	6.25	6.28	6.26 1/4
Jan	....	....	....	6.38 1/2	6.36 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Oct	21.78	22.00	21.67	21.91	21.90
Dec	21.97	22.31	21.95	22.21	22.13
Jan	22.30	22.58	22.22	22.52	22.43
Mar	22.80	23.06	22.71	22.95	22.87
May	23.20	23.40	23.08	23.36	23.20
Jul	23.42	23.60	23.35	23.55	23.42
Aug	....	....	....	23.55	23.45
Sep	23.35	23.40	23.35	23.40	23.30
Oct	23.20	23.25	23.15	23.25	23.07
Dec	23.00	23.15	23.00	23.15	22.88

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	183.00	183.00	180.00	180.60	183.80
Dec	186.50	187.00	184.10	184.50	187.80
Jan	188.30	188.60	186.10	186.40	189.60
Mar	192.00	192.00	189.20	189.30	192.70
May	192.50	192.50	191.00	191.20	193.60
Jul	194.70	193.80	191.80	192.20	194.50
Aug	192.50	192.50	192.50	192.50	193.00
Sep	189.00	193.00	189.00	189.50	190.20
Oct	187.00	187.00	186.50	187.00	187.00
Dec	185.00	188.00	185.00	187.50	187.50

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - Property and casualty insurers Aetna, AIG, Hartford, Liberty Mutual, and USF&G are at risk of collapsing in a deep recession and triggering a crisis on the scale of the savings and loan bailout a consumer group charged Monday.

A Public Citizen study of 20 of the nation's largest insurers failed the five companies on a series of "solvency tests" addressing long-term and short-term standards such as loss reserves, liquidity, and junk bond holdings. The industry disputed the findings.

"We regard the accusations by Public Citizen as preposterous," said Joyce Willis, director of public relations at the ITT-Hartford Insurance Group in Hartford, Conn. "It is obvious to us that they've used highly questionable judgments to further their federal legislative agenda."

Jonathan Powell, a spokesman for Aetna Life and Casualty Co., also in Hartford called the document "ludicrous." But the study warned that "a combination of low premium volume, high claims, and weak return on investments - all of which occur during an insurance cycle downturn - could spell potential financial trouble for these companies."

"Two companies, USF&G and Fireman's Fund, exhibited all three of the long term business practices that together Public Citizen consider most indicative of long-term financial ill health," the study added.

Fireman's Fund was not included on the list, however, because it is being acquired by Allianz, the German insurance group, according to the consumer organization founded by lawyer Ralph Nader.

"The failure of just one insurance giant would overwhelm the state funds designed to protect policyholders," said Joan Claybrook, president of Public Citizen. "The result could be another taxpayer bailout on the model of the savings and loan industry."

The study cited mismanagement, overburdened and underfunded state regulatory systems, and insurance cycles aggravated by the McCarran-Ferguson Act, which exempts insurers from antitrust laws, as being at the root of the problem for property and casualty insurers.

"Solvency problems generally do not arise because premium levels are inadequate," the study said. "Many companies operate efficiently and profitably at existing premium levels.

"In fact, some of the most competitively priced insurance companies also prove to be among the healthiest," the study said. "High insurance rates, a matter of great concern for consumers, are often the sign of an inefficient insurance company, not a healthy one."

Public Citizen recommended a series of reforms to protect the industry, including: repeal of the McCarran-Ferguson Act to eliminate price-fixing, an increase in the proportion of insurance tax dollars that go toward regulation, and the publication of an annual government report on the financial health of individual insurers.

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DETROIT (OCT. 15) UPI - General Motors Corp. and the United Auto Workers said Monday they will formally sign their new three-year labor agreement Friday at GM's world headquarters.

On hand will be GM Chairman Robert C. Stempel and GM President Lloyd Reuss, as well as Alfred Warren Jr., the giant automaker's chief labor negotiator, company spokesman John Maciarz said.

UAW President Owen Bieber and UAW Vice President Stephen Yokich, who led the union's GM negotiations, also will ink the agreement at the Friday morning ceremonies.

The GM/UAW pact covers nearly 300,000 GM auto workers until September 1993. GM and the union reached agreement on the new contract three days after the Sept. 14 deadline was extended. The pact was overwhelmingly ratified by GM workers.

About 100,000 U.S. auto workers at second-ranked Ford Motor Co. are expected to ratify a similar, or "pattern" pact tentatively agreed to earlier this month. Voting is scheduled to end this Sunday.

The UAW already has stepped up efforts to fit the GM and Ford pacts to Chrysler Corp., although the No. 3 automaker insists it cannot afford a similar pact.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 50 to 52 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.36	9.40	9.08	9.13	9.63
May	9.36	9.38	9.10	9.12	9.64
Jly	9.37	9.39	9.17	9.17	9.67
Oct	9.37	9.38	9.19	9.19	9.69

Estimated sales: 23,134 contracts

Open interest: 112,355 up 1,395

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.24

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 2 points higher to 3 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.30	23.30	23.23	23.27	23.30
Mar	23.10	....	....	23.23	23.23
May	23.32	23.32	23.32	23.32	23.30
Jly	23.32	23.32	23.32	23.32	23.31
Sep	23.26	23.26	23.23	23.25	23.27
Nov	22.85	....	....	22.93	22.91
Jan	23.00	....	....	22.95	22.96

Estimated sales: 521 contracts

Open interest: 10,757 off 2

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	387.25	off	2.25
Morning fixing	381.25	off	6.00
Afternoon fixing	380.70	off	6.55
Close	379.25	off	8.00
Paris	383.79	off	7.05
Zurich	379.00	off	9.00
Hong Kong	384.25	off	3.00

New York

Comex spot close	375.00	off	12.50
Republic cash	376.00	off	12.25
Handy and Harman	380.70	off	7.55

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 382.00 off 7.26 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 401.10 off 7.94 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.132	off	0.174
Republic cash	4.16	off	0.165

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.215 per fine ounce off 0.105

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.22 off 0.10 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.515 off 0.107

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 405.00 off 15.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 505.00 off 15.00.
Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 92.50 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 107.50 off 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - The Supreme Court, bolstering the flag burning decision it handed down just four months ago, Monday vacated a lower court ruling that a flag burner can be prosecuted for ''breach of the peace'' even when no violence followed his action.

The court vacated the conviction from a Minnesota case and sent it back to the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for reconsideration in light of the high court's June ruling.

On June 11, the court struck down a new federal anti-flag burning as violating the First Amendment's guarantee of freedom of speech.

But that decision came by a 5-4 vote with Justice William Brennan writing for the majority. Brennan, leader of the court's liberal faction, retired a month later and has been replaced by New Hampshire jurist David Souter.

The more conservative high court technically could have used this case to reconsider the earlier ruling, but chose not to. The appeals court must now decided whether it believes a loophole exists under which flag burners can be prosecuted.

A breakdown of the court's vote on vacating the conviction was not announced.

The case involves William Cary, 23, who burned a flag during a demonstration against U.S. policies in Central America.

Cary, then a member of the U.S. Naval Reserves, burned the flag March 18, 1988 in front of an Armed Forces Recruitment Center in Minneapolis after protesters broke a plate-glass window and lit fireworks at the center.

Three months later a federal grand jury indicted Cary for ''casting contempt upon the flag'' by publicly burning it in violation of federal law.

He was convicted and sentenced to 90 days in jail, and was later court-martialed as well by the U.S. Naval Reserves.

Cary appealed the civilian conviction, but before the case could be heard the Supreme Court struck down a similar anti-flag burning law from Texas, with Brennan writing: ''If there is a bedrock principle underlining the First Amendment, it is that the government may not prohibit the expression of an idea simply because society finds the idea itself offensive or disagreeable.''

The 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals was seemingly precluded from upholding Cary's conviction based on the Supreme Court ruling, but it agreed with the government's newfound contention that Cary's action could have incited riot because they were performed ''in a context of violence'' and therefore were not an issue of protected speech but of ''preventing breaches of the peace.''

The government claimed because of the vandalism surrounding the flag burning, Cary's action could have encouraged such action to continue.

''The federal government's interest in protecting against breaches of the peace ... is unrelated to the suppression of expression,'' a divided appeals court ruled in upholding his conviction. ''Punishing (Cary's) flag burning is no greater a restriction than necessary to further the interest in preventing breaches of the peace.''

The appeals court majority said in the context of the demonstration, Cary's flag-burning was denegrated to a ''simple act of vandalism'' without First Amendment protection.

Cary's attorneys claim no acts of vandalism occurred after the flag was burned thus allegations of inciting violence were unfounded.

The dissenting appeals court judge wrote that there was no evidence Cary burned the flag ''in order to incite imminent lawless action'' and that the flag burning, far from inciting riot, ''apparently signaled the end of the demonstration.''

Cary's attorney's contended the appeals court ''created a previously non-existing flag burning exception to the First Amendment.''

The Minnesota Civil Liberties Union said at issue was whether the government could use the ''breaches of the peace'' rationale to effectly outlaw flag burning in a large number of cases, even with the Supreme Court's June 11 ruling that flag burning was protected by the First Amendment.

In a brief to the high court, the Minnesota Civil Liberties Union said the appeals court finding that Cary's actions took place in a ''context of violence'' has ''virtually gutted'' the Supreme Court's protection of flag burning.

The Justice Department asked the high court to let the appeals court ruling stand.

90-5183 William C. Cary, Jr. vs. United States

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DALLAS (OCT. 15) UPI - Burned last week by his own coyness, President Bush exercised a bit more caution Monday in choosing his words on the budget mess in Washington.

On the road to raise campaign money for Republican candidates in five states, Bush stuck to a script designed to keep pressure on Congress and control the damage of a perceived flip-flop last week on taxes

With stalemate threatening to plunge the federal government back into chaos at week's end, he offered new talk of gloom and doom, punctuated by an admonition that with ''final countdown week'' under way, the American people will have only Congress to blame for failure.

Bombast aside, however, there were no invitations to read lips or hips to gauge his stand on taxes and other issues at stake in the search for a plan to trim the deficit by $500 billion over five years.

Still smarting from the mixed signals he was accused of sending last week, Bush regarded the budget deliberations almost as an outsider rather than a vital player, taking pains in comments to reporters to not be pinned down and caught in another partisan crossfire.

''I'm not going to say what I will or won't do,'' he said. ''That managed to get a little confused last week, so what I'll do is say the action's in the Congress and I will take a look at what comes out.''

After 20 months of skillful sailing through political waters, Bush, who fancies himself ''Mr. Smooth,'' was battling rough seas last week with a series of ambiguous and seemingly contradictory signals on whether he would accept higher taxes on wealthy Americans in exchange for a much-sought cut in taxes on capital gains.

As his position appeared to some to change with each political breeze, the challenge of damage control was compounded by a flurry of polls showing doubts about the economy and the situation in the Persian Gulf exacting a toll on his overall popularity, which only weeks before had neared a remarkable 80 percent.

Whatever the explanation, the problems were undeniable.

A day after Bush left his position on taxes clouded in ambiguity with his

''read my hips'' line, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater admitted the president's men ''made a mistake'' in not making clear his terms for a deal on taxes.

''I regret we did not take the time to do it,'' Fitzwater said. ''Hindsight's always better,'' he noted.

Ed Rollins, a key political operative in the Reagan White House and now the GOP's chief congressional campaign strategist, said Sunday the mixup may have been attributable to the distraction of the Persian Gulf crisis.

The important point, Rollins said in a CBS News interview, is now for Bush to ''be consistent in the message.''

The damage, however, had been done. While White House chief of staff John Sununu asserted, with some validity, that Congress will bear the brunt of any public discontent, polls suggest Bush too has been tainted if not weakened.

Democrats were not the only ones surprised by what may still turn out to be a temporary reversal of Bush's fortunes. Taken to an extreme, one veteran White House adviser said the chaos suggested an administration ''self-destructing.''

''They're in trouble,'' the adviser said. ''Not yet enough to sink them, but enough to cause real problems and require some quick and fancy footwork to recover.''

Bush tried to place all that behind him Monday with a two-day political swing that began in his adopted home state of Texas. While his political stock may have dropped, his value to GOP candidates has not. His appearances here alone, to be followed by events in Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois and Michigan, was expected to raise $2 million.

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JERUSALEM (OCT. 15) UPI - Declaring that Jerusalem was not occupied territory Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said Monday the United Nations had no role to play in investigating the deaths of 20 Palestinians killed during riots on the Temple Mount last week.

Also Monday, British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd arrived for a four-day visit. The British leader, who plans to meet Israeli officials and prominent Palestinians, did not make a statement after his plane landed outside Tel Aviv.

Recently, Hurd has sharply criticized Israeli policy in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

In an address to parliament as it began its winter session, Shamir described

the U.N. Security Council resolution condemning Israel as ''a biased decision.'' The resolution denounced ''acts of violence'' by Israeli security forces and called for a U.N. mission to investigate the disturbances on the Temple Mount.

Shamir said not one part of Jerusalem is occupied territory.

''It is the sovereign capital of the state of Israel,'' he said. ''Therefore, there is no place for any involvement of the United Nations in any issue related to Jerusalem.''

The Cabinet voted unanimously Sunday to reject U.N. Resolution 672 and not to cooperate with the three-member U.N. mission, a move likely to strain relations with Israel's main ally, the United States. Israel fears the U.N. mission will undermine its claim to sovereignty over the holy city.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker wrote to Foreign Minister David Levy telling him that cooperation with the U.N. delegation would return world attention to the Gulf crisis, the Hebrew newspaper Ha'aretz reported.

In Washington, President Bush refused to comment directly on the Israeli rejection of the U.N. resolution.

''We want to see that U.N. resolution fully implemented. We were a part of it and we think it's the right step. So I'll just leave it there,'' he said.

The State Department said the administration was ''disappointed that the Israeli government has decided not to cooperate with the (U.N.) mission.''

''In fact, we think that a failure to cooperate denies Israel an opportunity to present its case to the secretary general. We are hopeful that the secretary general's representative will be able to carry out his mission as requested by the Security Council in Resolution 672,'' department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said.

The U.N. mission, appointed by U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, was to examine the circumstances of the Oct. 8 riots on the Temple Mount during which at least 20 Palestinians were killed by Israeli police.

Shamir said he regretted the loss of life but charged the casualties were the result of ''an unprecedented criminal act,'' the stoning of Jewish worshipers by Moslem demonstrators during the riots.

''The act should have awakened reactions of denunciation and protest among the entire international community,'' he said.

Palestinians said the disturbances were not planned in advance and the stoning was in response to excessive force employed by the police. Palestinians at the

scene as well as two human rights groups have accused police of firing indiscriminately at Moslems on the Temple Mount, the third holiest Islamic site.

It is still not clear what initiated the violence. Israel captured the eastern half of Jerusalem in 1967.

The Israeli rejection of the U.N. mission is not without precedent. In 1979, Israel prevented a three-member U.N. delegation from entering Israel. The Security Council had ordered the delegation to investigate Jewish settlements in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Most nations, including the United States, consider Arab East Jerusalem, which comprises the Old City and the Temple Mount, occupied territory.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - Yields were mixed on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Monday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $9.401 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 7.18 percent, down from 7.19 percent last week and the lowest since Oct. 1 when the auction also yielded 7.18 percent.

The Treasury also sold $9.442 billion of 26-week bills at an average of 7.22 percent, up from 7.21 percent last week and the highest since Sept. 24 when the yield stood at 7.33 percent.

The investment rate was 7.41 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,818.50 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26- week bill was 7.60 percent at $9,635.00.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - Iraq denied it is willing to compromise over its occupation of Kuwait and dismissed a British warning that Iraqi troops must leave Kuwait voluntarily or be forced out at gunpoint.

''I believe war in the (Persian) gulf continues to be imminent, but Iraq will not fire the first shot,'' Baghdad Radio quoted Iraqi Information Minister Latif Nassif Jassim as saying.

''We expect war at any moment and are ready to fight against the Americans and those who come with them,'' Jassim said.

He said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's government does not fear statements

by British Foreign Minister Douglas Hurd, who said in Cairo Sunday that Saddam ''will withdraw. He has no choice ... His choice is whether he will do it by his own will or by the point of a gun.''

"We are not afraid of war, and we are not afraid of Hurd's statements," Jassim said. "(Hurd) makes such statements because he is not going to fight personally...Other Britons, Americans and other nationals will die in this war.''

President Bush, during a political trip to Texas, decried Iraqi atrocities in Kuwait as ''Hitler revisited'' and raised the prospect of holding Saddam accountable for Nuremberg-style war crimes, a legal option under review by the Justice Department.

Bush cited eyewitness accounts of ''the gastly atrocities perpetrated by Saddam's forces" and decried "the systematic assault on the soul of a nation."

''Hitler revisited,'' he said. ''But remember, when Hitler's war ended, there were the Nuremberg trials. America will not stand aside. The world will not allow the strong to swallow up the weak.''

Deputy White House press secretary Steve Hart said Bush was ''letting Saddam know he's going to be held accountable for Kuwait.'' The war crimes issue is ''under review,'' he said, ''and no decisions have been made.''

Saddam rejected indications he may compromise over his 2-month-old occupation of Kuwait. The Soviet Novosti news agency reportedly quoted a senior Kremlin official who visited Baghdad as saying Iraqi leaders are considering a plan to withdraw from the oil-rich emirate.

Novosti was reported as saying Iraq wanted to keep strips of disputed border territory in Kuwait, including an oil field, and strategic Kuwaiti islands in the northern Persian Gulf.

Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat, who met with Saddam Sunday, was quoted as saying after the meeting that he thought Iraq is in a ''conciliatory mood'' but gave no further details.

U.N. sanctions are hurting Iraq's industry and depriving it of food, Jassim admitted, but the embargo ''will not force Iraqis into submission.''

Iraqi Deputy Premier Sadoun Hammadi said in a weekend interview that sanctions would cause hardship but Baghdad would try to overcome the blockade through ''self-reliance and (an) increase in agricultural production.''

While Iraq officially dismissed reports it is weakening in the face on international opposition, Iraqi envoys tried to muster Arab and Moslem support for Baghdad's lonely cause in Kuwait.

Iraqi envoys held weekend talks in Libya, Tunisia and Jordan in what Arab and Western diplomats said was an attempt by Saddam to gain support by appearing as a champion of the Palestinian cause.

But most Arab leaders, while decrying last week's killing of 20 Palestinians in Jerusalem by Israeli forces, oppose Iraq's occupation of Kuwait.

In other developments Monday:

-Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, visiting London, told the British Broadcasting Corp. there were more than 200,000 allied troops in Saudi Arabia and that he expects an increase in the number of Arab troops deployed against Iraq in the kingdom. Cheney told Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher that American troops could stay in Saudi Arabia ''for years'' if this was necessary to expel Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

-Japan reversed its stand against assigning troops to peacekeeping forces, perhaps allowing for a non-combat role in the gulf.

-The Washington Post quoted diplomatic sources in Baghdad as saying Iraq took down its air defense radar system to prevent U.S. forces from monitoring it and securing information on how to jam it. The Post also said Iraq asked the Bush administration to maintain ongoing military consultations to prevent a war-causing accident but that the United States never responded.

-The Post also reported Saudi Arabia has discovered vast new deposits of high-quality crude oil in that may boost its reserves by 20 percent.

-The official Iraqi news agency said 15 Spanish hostages left Baghdad Monday for home after the intervention of a Spanish lawmaker.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - The Transportation Department granted five U.S. airlines Monday six new routes to Tokyo and two other Japanese cities in the latest expansion of passenger and cargo service to Japan.

Patrick Murphy Jr., deputy assistant secretary for policy and international affairs, issued the order that authorized new routes from five American cities. The government authorized:

- United Airlines to fly between Chicago and Tokyo.
- Delta Air Lines between Los Angeles and Tokyo.
- American Airlines between San Jose and Tokyo.
- America West Airlines between Honolulu and Nagoya.
- Hawaiian Airlines between Honolulu and Fukuoka.

- Delta Air Lines between Portland and Nagoya.

The routes were granted under the authority of a November 1989 bilateral agreement. Nine carriers submitted 23 proposals for the new routes. Hearings were held in April and May before Chief Administrative Law Judge John Mathias.

The department said services from two gateways, Chicago and Los Angeles, were in the best public interest, no matter which airlines were picked to fly the routes. American Airlines' San Jose-to-Tokyo route was the next best proposal, the department said.

The announcement was the last of several awards authorizing new flights to Japan. In July, Federal Express was granted authority to serve Nagoya. In August, United Parcel Service was selected to operate a new all-cargo service to Tokyo. And in September the department allotted the 450 charter flights available under the agreement.

The American-Japanese aviation market generates $6 billion a year, making it America's largest international revenue market. Last year, the Japanese market ranked third in terms of numbers of passengers after Canada and the United Kingdom, and first in revenue passenger miles and passenger revenues.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $44 to $53 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.05 cent lower to 0.95 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.60 to 1.60 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.10 cent higher to 0.45 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $12.50 to $14.30 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $22.80 to $23.00 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 4.50 cents higher to 5.00 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 17.4 to 20.2 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.050 to 0.052 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Higher in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed slightly higher in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 2 to 2 1/2 beans were off 2 1/2 to 6 1/2, wheat was off 1 1/2 to off 2 1/2 and oats were up 1/4 to 3/4.

Cattle Trade - Steady to 50 cents lower; top $79.00.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 15) UPI - NFL owners are expected to discuss plans for expansion, the change in management within the World League of American Football and locker room policies during their annual fall meetings Tuesday and Wednesday.

The 28 owners will receive a report from the league's realignment and expansion committee Tuesday, although a final decision is not expected for another year. Among the cities bidding for an NFL franchise are Baltimore, Charlotte, N.C., Jacksonville, Fla., Memphis, Tenn., and St. Louis.

The World League will likely be discussed following Minnesota Vikings General Manager Mike Lynn's decision to leave his post and join the WLAF. Tex Schramm, former head of the Dallas Cowboys, recently resigned as president of the WLAF. The threat of the new league, if any, is expected to be considered.

The subject of media relations will be raised following Boston reporter Lisa Olson's charges of sexual harrassment by members of the New England Patriots, and Cincinnati Coach Sam Wyche's closed-door policy to USA Today's Denise Tom after a Bengals game. The latter prompted Commissioner Paul Tagliabue to fine Wyche about $30,000, the highest penalty ever levied against an NFL coach.

Tagliabue had appointed Harvard law professor Philip Heymann to investigate Olson's charges of the Sept. 17 incident in the Patriots' locker room. Heymann's report may be presented to the owners for discussion.

Other issues on the agenda at the two-day meeting at the O'Hare Hilton Hotel are resolving future exhibition schedules, as well as consideration for future Super Bowl sites, and setting dates for international exhibition games.

The competition committee also is expected to report on any proposed rule changes. However, Chicago Bears owner Ed McCaskey said Monday this year's changes to shorten the length of the game won't be challenged.

''Getting done (playing) under three hours - people like that,'' McCaskey said.

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#90288u1510 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Fire marshals Monday declared that a fire in the Lebanese consulate which injured one man inside and five firefighters had been deliberately set after several telephone threats.

''It is now determined that it was arson,'' reported Fire Department spokesman Tom Kelly. ''The marshals have discovered the presence of flammable liquid at the scene. It also has been determined that the consulate had been the subject of several telephone threats prior to the fire.''

The fire at the Lebanese Consulate in Manhattan broke out at 8:22 p.m. Sunday but was brought under control by about 50 firefighters at 9:07 p.m, said Lt. Jim Powell, a fire department spokesman.

Said Genayel, a member of the consulate, was injured due to the fire, which he had attempted to put out. He was taken to the hospital but his injuries were not believed to be life-threatening, Powell said.

''He had tried to extinguish the fire by using a dry-powered extinguisher,'' the spokesman said.

Three of five firefighters injured hurt their necks due to a partial collapse of heavy plaster from the parlor floor ceiling, he said.

In a related development, Lebanese America Organiztions were scheduled to protest recent Syrian action in East Beirut. The protest was scheduled for

Monday in front at the United Nations.

Victor Bitar, the Lebanese consul general, stood outside the consulate as firefighters worked to put out the blaze, Powell said.

Fire marshals were called to investigate the fire ''to rule out any possible suspicions'' that it was an arson, he said.

Expert action by firefighters saved the converted brownstone from complete destruction, Powell said.

''Chief Henry Cartwright, of the 10th (fire) Battalion, said if firefighters had not been as positively aggressive and gotten ahead of this fire and stopped it, we might have lossed the entire building,'' he said.

The fire started on the basement level (the ground floor,) moved to the parlor level and then to the second floor, he said. ''It got into a void in the wall'' where fires ''spread like a grass fire,'' Powell said.

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#90288u1515 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - A former Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. securities trader Monday linked one-time junk bond king Michael Milken to additional backroom stock market dealings.

The trader, Peter Gardiner, testified at a federal court pre-sentence hearing before Judge Kimba Wood in U.S. District Court in Manhattan. Gardiner has been linked to manipulation of the market in dealings of Wickes Companies Inc. securities.

He admitted to previously lying to the government in its investigation of Milken and before a grand jury and only last May offered his cooperation.

That came when Milken, of Drexel's Los Angeles office, entered an agreement with the government and pleaded guilty to conspiracy, filing false securities information, securities fraud, violating securities reporting requirements, mail fraud and aiding and abetting in the filing of a false income tax return. Milken faces up to 28 years in prison.

Because of the nature of Milken's agreement, the government was allowed to present to Judge Wood for her consideration in imposing sentence, information on additional crimes it alleges Milken committed.

The chief government prosecutor, assistant U.S. attorney John Carroll, said last week in his opening statement the Wickes manipulation was part of a an illegal pattern involving him and confessed Wall Street wheeler-dealer Ivan Boesky. Boesky was the key witness against Milken.

In 1986, Wickes, a Santa Monica, Calif.-based equipment manufacturer later taken private in a leveraged buyout, wanted to launch an acquisition campaign and to convert large quantitites of its preferred stock into common stock, according to the government.

Such a conversion could only take place if the common stock closed at or above a certain price for 20 out of 30 consecutiew trading days, prosecutors have charged.

Gardiner testified Milken told the trading room on Wilshire Boulevard on April 23, 1986, to seek "unsolicited buyers" of Wickes. Asked if Milken had ever made such a move before, Gardiner said, "several times."

He also testified that Milken shouted across the trading desk to him while pointing at his stock information terminal, "Peter, Wickes at 6 and an eighth." Gardiner said he understood that was what Milken wanted the stock to close at since it was trading below $6.

Gardiner testified when he told a colleague, "we had run out of ammo," or couldn't come up with any more customers to hike the price, he was assured "not to worry about that Cary will handle it."

Cary Maultasch, a former Drexel trader who testified last week, handled the Boesky account. "A large block traded at the close," said Gardiner, closing Wickes at 6 and an eighth. Gardiner said he understood Boesky was responsible for it and the trading room was a scene of "relief and jubilaltion" with "high fives" exchanged.

Maultasch testified last week he asked a trader at the Boesky organization to buy 1.9 million shares of Wickes after the stock had traded at or above the necessary price for 19 days.

Asked where he was when he learned Ivan Boesky entered a plea and was cooperating with the government, Gardiner said he was on the trading floor of his Drexel office.

He said that "within days or weeks" he was told by a colleague to "clean out ... get rid of anything that isn't nailed down and don't throw it in the company garbage." "I looked at him like, 'Are you nuts or what?' and he said, he laughed, 'I talked with Mike (Milken).'" Gardiner said he was testifying under a grant of immunity from the government.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.96

60 to 89 days 7.86

90 to 119 days 7.88

120 to 149 days 7.81

150 to 179 days 7.76

180 to 270 days 7.69

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.75 - 7.90

Issuers 30 days 8.02

Issuers 90 days 7.90

Issuers 270 days 7.47

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.10

60 to 89 days 8.10

90 to 119 days 8.10

120 to 149 days 8.12

150 to 179 days 8.10

180 days 8.10

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

1 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

3 month 8.125 - 8.25

6 month 8.125 - 8.25

Year 8.125 - 8.25

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.17 - 7.15

6 months 7.20 - 7.18

Year 7.09 - 7.07

Federal Funds: High 8 , Low 7 15-16, Close 8.

Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 7.835 up 0.007.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90288u1534 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
DALLAS (OCT. 15) UPI - Decrying the ''systematic assault on the soul of a nation,'' President Bush held out the prospect Monday of a Nuremberg- style prosecution of Iraq's Saddam Hussein for war crimes against the people of Kuwait.

''Hitler revisited,'' Bush said in response to mounting reports of Iraqi atrocities in occupied Kuwait. ''But remember, when Hitler's war ended, there were the Nuremberg trials.''

The reference to Nuremberg, where Nazi war criminals were tried after World War II, came a week after Bush told reporters his patience with Iraq was ''wearing very thin'' because of the ''sickening'' reports coming out of Kuwait.

Though the Justice Department has had the war crimes issues under review for some time, it marked the first time Bush had raised it in public as being

among the next moves the United States could take to rachet up the pressure on Saddam.

In recent weeks, senior administration officials have said the United States may seek additional condemnation of Iraq through the United Nations for its Aug. 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait. The officials said that action, intended to reinforce the global opposition to Saddam, could include demands for reparations and even a legal basis for a formal charge of war crimes.

''America will not stand aside,'' Bush declared at a fund-raising luncheon that kicked off two days of campaigning for Republicans in five states. ''The world will not allow the strong to swallow up the weak.''

For the time being, the barely veiled threat by Bush seemed to be more symbolic than substantive. Deputy White House press secretary Steve Hart explained that Bush was ''letting Saddam know he's going to be held accountable for Kuwait.'' Although the war crimes option is under consideration by administration lawyers, he said, ''no decisions have been made.''

Since meeting two weeks ago with the deposed emir of Kuwait, however, Bush has expressed increasing alarm at ''horrible tales'' of deteriorating conditions in the oil-rich emirate.

With polls showing some rise in public doubt about his handling of the Persian Gulf crisis, Bush emphasized the human dimension of what has been widely viewed as a confrontation over cheap oil and hard-to-define strategic interests.

''Every day now, new word filters out about the ghastly atrocities perpetrated by Saddam's forces,'' he said. ''Eyewitness accounts of the cruel and senseless suffering endured by the people of Kuwait, of the systematic assault on the soul of a nation.''

Bush accused Iraqi forces of ''summary executions, routine torture,'' of rounding up newborn babies from incubators and dialysis machines and shooting defiant children in front of their parents.

''What is at stake is whether the nations of the world can take a common stand against aggression or whether Iraq's aggression will go unanswered,'' he said, ''whether we live in a world governed by the rule of law or by the law of the jungle. And that is why America and the world cannot allow this outlaw act to stand.''

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#90288u1537 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	63 7-8	up 7-8
AT&T Company	32 1-4	up 1-4
BCE Inc	30 3-4	unch
Bell Atlantic	49 3-8	up 1 5-8
BellSouth Corp	52 5-8	up 3-4
Exxon Corp	49 1-4	up 3-4
Ford Motor Co	31 3-4	up 1
Genl Electric	54 3-8	up 1 3-8
General Motors	37 3-8	up 5-8
GTE Corp	27 7-8	up 7-8
IBM Corp	99 1-8	off 1 1-8
Mobil Oil Corp	57	up 1
Nynex Corp	76 3-4	up 1 1-4
Pac Gas & Elec	22 7-8	unch
Pacific Telesis	45 1-4	up 2 3-8
Phila Electric	15 7-8	off 1-8
Sears Roebuck	24 3-8	up 1 3-8
Southern Co	25 3-8	unch
Sthwestern Bell	55 3-8	up 1 5-8
US West Inc	x36 3-4	up 3-8

x-ex-dividend.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - President Bush says he and Republican congressional leaders prefer a Senate bipartisan deficit reduction plan over a House Democratic plan. The Senate plan would NOT increase income tax rates for the rich, as would the Democratic plan, but it would double the federal gasoline tax. The Democratic budget package contains NO gasoline tax hikes.

A spray-painting vandal angry with the budget battle sent a message to House Republican Leader Robert Michel. The vandal painted the messages ''Cut Taxes, Deficit'' and ''Repeal- Stolen Pay Raise'' on the front porch of Michel's fashionable two-story home in Peoria, Illinois. NO one has been arrested in the incident.

Soviet President Gorbachev is being showered with praise from around the world today for winning the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize. Gorbachev was awarded the prestigious honor for NOT crushing last year's democracy movement that swept Eastern Europe. For his part, Gorbachev was speechless, saying- ''Words fail one at such moments.'' .

But, in Moscow store shelves are empty and Soviet tempers are short. Soviet

citizens say Gorbachev may have received the Nobel Prize from the West, but he could get a popular uprising from his own people. Muscovites say Gorbachev's popularity is sinking. .

Also today, Gorbachev missed a deadline to present a compromise economic reform plan further delaying consideration of the blueprint by Parliament. Gorbachev and other Kremlin officials have been struggling since September to come up with an acceptable plan for the transition to a free market economy.

Iraq today rejected suggestions it may compromise over its occupation of Kuwait. Baghdad Radio quotes the Iraqi information minister as saying he expects war to break out ''at any moment'' in the Persian Gulf... and that Baghdad is ''ready to fight.'' The official also dismisses a British warning that Iraq leave Kuwait on its own or be forced out at gunpoint.

Japan reportedly has reversed its stand against assigning troops to U-N-backed peace-keeping forces, clearing the way for eventual deployment of NON-combat soldiers to the Persian Gulf. The Japan Times says the government plans to introduce a bill in Parliament tomorrow reflecting its new position.

Lebanese President Elias Hrawi is maneuvering to get custody of renegade Christian General Michel Aoun and make him stand trial for his two-year mutiny against the government. Aoun is in hiding at the French Embassy in east Beirut. 16 people died in fighting last night in the Lebanese capital as Shiite fundamentalists battled Syrian-backed Christian militiamen.

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's conservative party is preparing to extend its leadership into both houses of Parliament following gains yesterday in elections in Bavaria and four former East German states. The Christian Democratic Union's electoral victory will end the Social Democratic Party's five-month domination of the Bundesrat.

Friends and associates of composer-conducter Leonard Bernstein paid him tribute today as one of the greatest musicians of his time. Bernstein died last night of a heart attack at his New York City apartment. A private funeral service was being planned for the man described as the first ''global musician.''

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#90288u1578 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 15) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

New York (AL) - Named Brian Cashman baseball operations assistant and Jeff Mercer assistant director of minor league operations.

San Diego - Named Mike Rourke and Jim Snyder coaches.

Basketball

San Antonio - Waived forward Orlando Graham.

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#90288u1582 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 15) UPI - A challenger for the top post of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters vowed Monday to double the size of the nation's largest union in five years if elected.

"I intend to build the Teamsters into a multi-national union," Louis Riga, secretary-treasurer of Local 576 in San Jose, said at a news conference in Los Angeles. "We will have to become multi-national or we'll lose all the gains of the last 100 years." The union now has 1.6 million members.

Riga, 53, is in the midst of a 17-city trip to announce his candidacy for general president of the union to succeed William J. McCarthy, who announced last week that he will not seek re-election at the union's December l991 election.

The union's executive board, in a split vote, endorsed R.V. Durham of North Carolina to succeed McCarthy, who succeeded the late Jackie Presser two years ago.

Ron Carey, an independent candidate backed by reform elements, has also announced his candidacy for the top post. Other possible candidates include executive board members Jack Cox of California and Daniel Ligorotis of Chicago.

The election of the union's officials will take place under government-supervised procedures, as specified in last year's settlement of a government civil racketeering suit. Under the new rules, candidates must receive at least 98 votes from the nearly 2,000 delegates at the union's June convention.

Riga, who acknowledges he is not well known outside the West Coast, said that the government controls are unnecessary and that mob influence within the union has been over-emphasized.

Riga, who is stressing his rank-and-file roots with the slogan "He's one of us " said that the union's leadership over the past two decades has abandoned its recruitment efforts. "Unions have lost two-thirds of their membership since the early 1970s by being narrow in vision and old in principles," Riga said.

Riga said that the need to organize on an international level is key to the survival of the union in order to prevent non-union sub-standard products from

entering the country. He also vowed that if elected, he will not fly in the union's jet. "We have seven jets on the payroll and the workers dues pay for them."

Riga also said that Carey's Teamsters for a Democratic Union organization has a "far left" outlook and is out of step with the rank-and-file membership. "I feel as if I am the middle-of-the-road candidate," he said.

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#90288u1589 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2416.34	up	18.32
20 Trans	832.29	up	2.59
15 Utils	206.99	up	1.13
65 Stocks	855.17	up	5.16

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#90288u1596 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

GENEVA (OCT. 15) UPI - Taking specific aim at European Community export subsidies, the United States presented a formal proposal Monday for sharp reductions in barriers to freer world trade in agricultural products.

Uruguay Round officials said the U.S. proposal as expected called for 75 percent reductions over ten years in internal farm support paid to American farmers based on 1986-1988 figures, and in import barriers. Washington called for a 90 percent cut in export subsidies as practiced by the EC, also involving a ten-year schedule and using 1987 as the base year.

U.S. officials including President Bush have warned that a Uruguay Round agreement must include deep cuts in trade-distorting agricultural protectionism.

The U.S. proposal was presented on the Oct. 15 deadline to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, which provides the framework for the Uruguay Round trade liberalization negotiations scheduled to end by Dec. 7.

A package agreement is threatened by sharp differences over farm trade between Washington and Europe, with the EC missing the deadline for agricultural proposals.

The 12 EC members were still bickering among themselves Monday concerning a suggested 30 percent reduction in subsidies based on the year 1986. That figure has been repeatedly rejected in advance as inadequate and unacceptable by the United States as well as the Cairns Group - other major farming nations including Australia, Argentina, Brazil, and Canada.

U.S. officials have also said they doubt that a compromise could be reached because Washington already has stepped back from its original position that farm supports and export subsidies should be eliminated altogether.

France and Germany in particular among EC members have said the big cuts proposed by the United States would bankrupt as many as seven out of ten European farmers.

U.S. negotiators have told other participants Washington does not seek an end to all domestic farm sector support but only that which gives farmers an unfair export advantage or otherwise distorts free competition.

The Cairns Group closely followed the United States position in presenting its own farm trade proposal, Australian officials said. They said the group called for cuts of "no less" than 90 percent in export subsidies and 75 percent in domestic farm supports over ten years. There would be a longer timeframe for the least-developed countries, the officials said.

The Cairns Group proposal was sponsored by 12 of its member countries with Canada deciding to offer its own proposal. Fiji delegates said they had not received instructions from their government.

The Canadian proposal, which has little chance of succeeding because it is more severe than the others, calls for elimination and prohibition of export subsidies within a ten year period and a 50 percent reduction in trade-distorting internal subsidies.

Canada also wants normal tariffs on agricultural products reduced by one-third while other border measures would be converted to tariff equivalents and cut in half, with a maximum of 20 percent.

International Trade Minister John Crosbie, who tabled the proposal in Geneva, described the offer as "balanced and comprehensive", but said it was contingent on all other GATT members agreeing to its provisions.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	165.84	up	1.42
ASE Market Value Index	293.27	off	0.70
Dow-Jones Industrial	2416.34	up	18.32

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#90288u1605 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks - 10,350,000 shares

1990 to date - 2,752,313,770
Bonds - $3,390,000
1990 to date - $572,526,000

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#90288u1606 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 294.02, low 291.88, close 293.27, off 0.70.

There was a loss of 3 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,350,000 shares, compared with 11, 998,475 Friday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	4
New Lows	89
Advances	235
Declines	312
Unchanged	239
Total Issues	786

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#90288u1608 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 15) UPI - Eric Dickerson on Monday passed the team physical he delayed for two months, clearing the final obstacle to his return to the Indianapolis Colts.

Dickerson, the NFL's No. 7 all-time rusher, will rejoin his teammates for practice Tuesday. Dickerson completed his physical while other players enjoyed a day off following an idle weekend.

Refusal to take a physical in August prompted the Colts to place Dickerson on the non-football injured list, sidelining him for the past six weeks and costing him $750,000 of his $1.4 million salary for this season. Dickerson signed a four-year contract extension Saturday worth $10.75 million from 1991 to 1994.

Dickerson cannot be reactivated until Wednesday, but the physical's results made that only a formality. The decision set the stage for Dickerson's return Sunday when the Colts play Denver.

Dickerson, who turned 30 last month, has won four rushing titles in seven NFL seasons. His 11,226 career rushing yards are only 10 behind O.J. Simpson on the league's all-time list. Dickerson has 11 games to achieve an eighth straight 1,000-yard season and he has a chance to break Walter Payton's NFL career rushing record of 16,726 yards.

The relationship between Dickerson and other players will be tested quickly. He criticized the team, particularly its offensive linemen, last spring when he sought a trade and threatened retirement because he feared injury rushing behind Colts' blockers. Dickerson apologized Saturday but hard feelings may remain.

''That was wrong, but when you're frustrated, you do a lot of things, '' Dickerson said. ''I'm sure there are some guys on offense who may not care for me. But when I go on the field I will give 110 percent to protect them and I expect the same from them.''

Indianapolis ranks last in NFL rushing with only 55 yards a game and two-thirds of its plays in a 2-3 start have been passes. Albert Bentley has been a rushing and receiving workhorse in the Colts' one-back attack, gaining 40 percent of the team's yards.

''We anticipate using a lot of two-back formations and bringing Eric on stream as quickly as possible,'' Colts Coach Ron Meyer said. ''We anticipate Dickerson and Bentley being very productive.''

In 41 games over three previous seasons at Indianapolis, Dickerson averaged 30 carries and 98 yards a game. But the Colts plan to work Dickerson into their offense this time instead of build their attack around him. That means fewer rushes for Dickerson and greater unpredictability for the team.

''We won't distort the offense to get the ball to Eric,'' said offensive coordinator Larry Kennan. ''I don't see us changing a lot.''

Jack Trudeau is expected to start Sunday, replacing rookie Jeff George even though the No. 1 draft pick should be recovered from a strained abdomen that kept him out the past two games. Both were Colts' victories.

''I can't imagine us going back to Eric running the ball 30 times a game,'' Trudeau said. ''That would be totally against the direction we've taken. He needs to fit into what we've been doing.''

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#90288u1609 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Monday - $44,960,000

1990 to date - $8,779,865,000

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#90288u1619 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 15) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Monday - 8,284,000
1990 to date - 1,989,776,000

The market closed higher.

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#90288u1621 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.03	up 0.17
10 Public Utils	91.00	up 0.09
10 Industrials	87.06	up 0.25

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#90288u1622 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	96,255,944	56 1/2	off 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	79,044,744	31 3/8	up 1 3/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	47,011,740	27 3/4	off 1/2
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	39,344,640	31 7/8	up 1 1/2
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	24,660,470	28 3/4	off 1 1/4
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	23,737,078	43 1/2	up 1 1/2
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	20,758,350	19 1/2	up 7/8
Tele Comm A	(TCOM)	20,634,000	9 1/8	up 3/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	20,494,016	42 1/4	up 3/4
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	16,131,230	19 7/8	up 7/8

Composite Index 144.30 up 0.98

NMS volume 81,667,504 shares.

Advances	745
Declines	749
Unchanged	1,303
Total	2,797

-30- 1017
#90288u1630 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
MELBOURNE, FL (OCT. 15) UPI - A 58-year-old woman who had been comatose for two months has died of St. Louis encephalitis, the first fatality in Florida's current outbreak of the mosquito-borne disease, state health officials said Monday.

Alvena Patton of West Melbourne died at Holmes Regional Medical Center on Saturday. She was admitted Aug. 18 and lapsed into a coma Aug. 21, said Ernie Durfee with the state Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services.

Her husband, Harry Patton, said she was in a coma for four weeks before doctors were able to confirm she was an encephalitis victim. However, he said they had suspected the virus.

Health officials have confirmed 34 cases of encephalitis in Florida since July 28, with 21 more cases suspected, pending the outcome of a second test.

Florida's chief health officer issued an advisory Monday urging communities to hold Halloween activities in the afternoon instead of the evening to reduce children's risk of exposure to mosquitoes carrying the virus.

''We're asking the public to continue taking reasonable precautions until this year's mosquito population is eradicated. Time and cooler weather are the only factors that will end this dilemma,'' said Dr. Charles Mahan, HRS deputy secretary for health.

Although all the confirmed cases have occurred in 15 central and south Florida counties, Mahan encouraged communities statewide to ban trick-or-treating and outdoor parties in the evening.

The virus is spread by the culex nigropalpus mosquito, which picks the virus by feeding on infected birds.

It causes an infection of the brain, producing symptoms such as fever, headaches, light sensitivity, muscle weakness, upset stomach and other flu-like signs.

There is no cure. For most healthy adults, symptoms disappear in about five days. But very young children, those over 55, and those who are already in poor health are most at risk for complications, including coma and death.

Harry Patton said his wife had suffered from pneumonia a few weeks before she became ill. She also suffered from blocked arteries, had had heart surgery in the mid-1980s and was a chronic smoker.

During the last encephalitis outbreak in 1977, 110 cases were confirmed and eight people died.

Health officials advised residents to wear protective clothing and use mosquito repellent if they must be outside between 6:30 p.m. and 8 a.m., when the mosquitoes that carry the disease are most active.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks	-	164,980,000 shares
1990 to date	-	31,506,992,252
Warrants	-	1,191,000
1990 to date	-	199,487,500

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2413.86	2451.24	2354.95	2416.34	up 18.32
20 Trans	833.39	843.93	816.01	832.29	up 2.59
15 Utils	205.92	208.75	204.23	206.99	up 1.13
65 Stock	854.15	866.48	836.66	855.17	up 5.16

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	26,122,900	22,646,400
Trans	3,356,000	3,135,900
Utils	3,820,400	11,677,700
65 Stock	33,299,300	37,460,000

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.03	up 0.17
10 Public Utils	91.00	up 0.09
10 Industrials	87.06	up 0.25

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 127.62 off 1.16.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	293.27	off 0.70
High Technology	287.16	up 2.54
Capital Goods	309.82	off 1.13
Consumer Goods	358.85	up 4.49
Service	631.69	up 2.91
Retail	842.25	up 10.19
Financial	348.21	off 2.24
Natural Resources	229.68	off 3.68
Housing-Const-Land	257.43	off 4.70

There was a loss of 3 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS		
New England	373.98	off 0.06
Mid Atlantic	382.17	up 0.94
No Central	363.82	up 1.02
So Atlantic	794.04	off 6.26
So Central	293.14	up 3.72
Mountain	105.50	up 0.21
Pacific	330.12	up 1.52
Foreign	226.17	off 3.29

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (OCT. 15) UPI - Engineers are gearing up to fuel the shuttle Atlantis next week in a critical test to find out if the ship is leak free and ready for launch around Nov. 10 on a long-delayed military flight, officials said Monday.

Engineers plan to pump a half-million gallons of liquid oxygen and liquid hydrogen rocket fuel aboard Atlantis's external tank around Oct. 24 to make sure a leak that grounded the ship in July has been eliminated.

While the leak involved the shuttle's hydrogen system, oxygen will be pumped aboard as well to make sure no critical propellant lines were damaged earlier this month when a 9-foot, 70-pound beam fell through Atlantis's engine room in an embarrassing mishap.

If all goes well, Atlantis and its five-man crew should be ready for launch around Nov. 10, three days or so later than had been planned before the beam incident, officials said Monday. A firm date will be set after a two-day flight readiness review Oct. 29 and 30.

But as usual with such military flights, the exact launch time will not be revealed until nine minutes before liftoff and no details will be released about the ship's classified cargo.

The shuttle Discovery, meanwhile, bolted to the top of a NASA 747 jumbo jet, was expected to land at the Kennedy Space Center early Tuesday after a two-day cross-country flight from Edwards Air Force Base, Calif.

Discovery glided to a smooth California landing last Wednesday to close out a successful four-day mission. Officials said the shuttle came through its launch and landing in excellent condition and that no problems were anticipated readying the ship for its next flight in February.

NASA's third shuttle, Columbia, remains grounded because of an elusive engine room hydrogen leak blamed in part for scuttling three launch attempts in May and September.

Hauled to launch pad 39B overnight Saturday, Columbia will be loaded with fuel around Oct. 29 to pinpoint the location of the leak once and for all. Depending on the results, a second such test may be ordered before a launch attempt in December.

Columbia was grounded May 29, the night before its planned liftoff, when sensors detected hydrogen gas leaking into the ship's engine room.

The leak ultimately was blamed on damaged seals inside a 17-inch-wide fuel line ''disconnect'' fitting that subsequently was replaced. But during fueling for a Sept. 6 launch try, it became clear that at least two leaks had been present all along and that only one had been fixed.

The location of the engine room leak remains a mystery. Last week, technicians found and replaced a second damaged seal in a fuel line valve leading to main engine No. 2, but engineers were reluctant to speculate on whether that might have eliminated the leak.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	351.52	212.12	136.97	19.68	300.03
Opening	353.19	213.79	137.41	19.79	301.42
11 a.m.	349.05	210.64	126.38	19.52	298.01
Noon	351.27	212.36	137.20	19.70	299.96
1 p.m.	352.75	212.92	137.75	19.82	301.23
2 p.m.	355.89	215.14	138.87	20.01	303.90
3 p.m.	355.16	214.16	138.66	19.96	303.27
Close	355.03	213.43	138.94	19.92	303.23
Change	up 3.51	up 1.31	up 1.97	up 0.24	up 3.20

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(OCT. 15) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	219.45	220.60	214.50	216.15	217.00
Mar	....	....	....	218.35	219.20

Jun 221.35 222.20
Previous day volume: 71 contracts.
Open interest: 1,184 up 19
CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	303.00	307.50	297.00	306.00	301.70
Mar	305.90	309.95	300.40	308.55	304.15
Jun	....	312.50	304.00	311.35	306.85
Sep	313.00	316.00	307.00	314.10	309.35

Today's estimated volume: 58,218 contracts.
Open interest: 152,788 up 600
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	165.95	168.20	162.00	167.30	165.25
Mar	167.25	169.25	164.10	168.60	166.55
Jun	....	....	....	169.90	167.85

Open interest: 5,058 off 270
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	503.00	509.25	493.00	506.20	499.25
Nov	504.80	508.75	493.50	506.15	499.00
Dec	500.00	510.50	495.50	508.15	501.00

Estimated volume 5,360 contracts.
Open interest: 9,556 up 892

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
IBM Corp	3,121,400	99 1/4	off 1
Eastmn Kodak	2,719,400	37 7/8	up 3 1/4
Archer Daniels	2,638,100	21 1/2	off 2 1/8
Philip Morris	2,593,900	45 5/8	up 7/8
Waste Managemnt	1,987,400	31 3/8	up 1 1/8
Polaroid Corp	1,957,000	22 3/4	off 6 1/2
Boeing Co	1,737,600	46	up 1 1/2
Citicorp	1,728,600	14 1/8	up 1/2
Genl Electric	1,677,100	54 3/8	up 1 3/8
AT&T Co	1,578,000	32 1/4	up 1/4
Exxon Corp	1,575,500	49 1/4	up 3/4
PepsiCo Inc	1,568,500	24 1/4	up 1/2
Wal-Mart Stores	1,550,300	25 7/8	off 1/8
Baxter Intl	1,391,100	25 5/8	up 1
DuPont EI Nemours	1,170,200	32 3/8	up 1/8

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DETROIT (OCT. 15) UPI - The nation's leading automakers idled into the 1991-model year by reporting Monday a combined 2.1 percent decline in U.S. car and light truck sales for the first ten days of October.

Sales of domestically built cars alone rose 1.9 percent from a year ago when measured by sales per day, largely fueled by a 15.9 percent gain in domestic car sales posted by industry leader General Motors Corp.

But GM's impressive gains were measured against comparatively weak year-ago levels that followed massive dealer incentive programs in August and September of 1989, and a now revised policy that encouraged dealers to sell most 1989 model before the 1990-model year began Oct. 1.

Light truck sales slipped 9.5 percent, bringing down industry totals for the latest ten-day period. Still, the annual sales rate for domestically built cars - the most common measure of industry performance - was 6.8 million cars during the Oct. 1-10 period, even with year ago levels.

"It was still a remarkably good period," said industry analyst Ronald Glantz, of Dean Witter Reynolds' San Francisco office, who had reasoned the payback from late September might have been bigger, since automakers were pulling ahead sales "to win bragging rights" for the 1989-model year. "I also believe fourth quarter sales may be better than last year despite the Persian Gulf crisis," Glantz said.

Glantz said a record number of buyers are expected to re-enter the market for the first time since 1985. He said Mideast tensions and higher fuel prices have had almost no impact on the car market except for a small shift toward smaller models. But people may be shying away from full-sized pickup trucks, moving to cars or more fuel stingy compact trucks instead.

But Tom Webb, chief economist for the National Automobile Dealers Association, said developments in the Middle East and the unresolved budget deficit will keep consumers apprehensive. He predicted that dealers will "have to scratch out every possible sale" just to keep pace with "the horrible level of sales" in the fourth quarter of 1989.

The nine companies, which also include Ford Motor Co., Chrysler Corp., American Honda Motor Co., Nissan Motor Manufacturing U.S.A., Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., Mazda Motor Manufacturing (USA) Corp., Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America, Inc. and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc. (SIA) reported combined sales of 183,925 cars and 86,935 trucks in the United States during the period. This compares with 160,510 cars and 85,365 trucks sold in the year-ago period, automakers said.

The daily selling rate of 30,096 vehicles compares with 30,734 vehicles per day for the same period last year. There were nine selling days this year, compared with eight last year.

So far in 1990, the firms have sold just over 5.5 million cars, down 5.1 percent from the almost 5.78 million units sold in the comparable 1989 period when measured by sales per day. Light truck sales were 3.21 million units, down 3.7 percent from 3.32 million trucks sold during the same period a year ago.

During the period, sales of GM's domestically made cars rose 15.9 percent, while its truck sales were up 7.4 percent from a year ago, both from relatively weak year-ago performances.

Second-ranked Ford posted a 23.8 percent drop in car sales and a 17.2 percent fall in truck sales. Chrysler's car sales managed a 2.6 percent gain, but its light truck sales including minivans fell 26 percent when compared with the combined total a year ago.

Among the smaller companies reporting sales of U.S.-built cars, Honda posted a 22.5 percent rise in sales from year-ago levels. Toyota's sales jumped 97.2 percent from relatively low production volumes a year ago.

Nissan reported a 12.8 percent gain in sales of its U.S.-built cars, while its domestically made compact truck sales rose 14.4 percent, both from low year-ago levels.

Mazda sold 1,184 cars produced at its Flat Rock, Mich. assembly plant, vs. 442 a year ago. It also reported 154 sales of its Mazda Navajo sport utility vehicle built for it by Ford.

Mitsubishi reported sales of 1,092 cars built at its joint venture plant with Chrysler in Illinois, vs. 909 a year ago. SIA sold 299 cars and 582 trucks built at its new joint venture plant in Lafayette, Ind., during the latest ten-day period.

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DETROIT (OCT. 15) UPI - Following are the ten-day sales figures for car and light-duty trucks among the nation's domestic automakers:

OCT. 1-10 U.S. CAR SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Yr ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	89,040	68,301	up 15.9 pc
Ford	49,190	57,355	off 23.8 pc
Chrysler	26,234	22,721	up 2.6 pc
Honda	9,313	6,757	up 22.5 pc

Nissan	1,820	1,434	up	12.8 pc
Toyota	5,753	2,591	up	97.2 pc
Mazda	1,184	442	up	140.0 pc
Mitsubishi	1,092	909	up	6.1 pc
SIA	299	---		
Total	183,925	160,510	up	1.9 pc

OCT 21-31 U.S. LIGHT TRUCK SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Yr ago	Daily Rate Chg	
GM	35,306	29,235	up	7.4 pc
Ford	32,052	34,392	off	17.2 pc
Chrysler	16,758	20,120	off	26.0 pc
Nissan	2,083	1,618	up	14.4 pc
SIA	582	---		
Mazda	154	---		
Total	86,935	85,365	off	9.5 pc

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	329.54	up	1.99	348.14	460.98
Industrial	349.22	up	1.50	370.44	445.59
Finance	331.83	up	3.19	344.91	543.44
Insurance	382.18	off	0.21	400.01	528.24
Utility	456.87	up	7.22	487.36	746.36
Bank	243.12	off	1.05	252.72	455.05
Transport	367.21	up	0.89	387.57	475.19

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.61

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 144.30 up 0.98

Industrial Index 137.99 up 0.72

NASDAQ-100 Index 338.70 up 5.27

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(OCT. 15) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	5700	off 35

TRW pfD	135	off	7
Polaroid Cp	22 3/4	off	6 1/2
Nacco Indus	32	off	5
CBS Inc	158 3/4	up	4 1/4
Captl Cities	441	up	4
ASA Ltd	40	off	3 7/8
Marsh & McLen	69 1/2	up	3 5/8
NCR Corp	46 1/2	off	3 1/2
Eastmn Kodak	37 7/8	up	3 1/4

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - The House passed a bill Monday to ban mining and oil exploration by American companies in Antarctica and to subject all activities by federal agencies on the frozen continent to U.S. environmental law.

The measure, adopted and sent to the Senate on voice vote, also contains non-binding language urging the president to negotiate an international agreement to prohibit all commercial mineral development in Antarctica.

Similar calls for negotiation of worldwide restrictions on Antarctic mineral activitites were contained in resolutions passed in both Houses of Congress during the first week of October.

Rep. Silvio Conte, R-Mass., the chief sponsor of the legislation, called Antarctica a place that ''should be left pristine and maintained as a land of science.''

''Antarctica is a beautiful place,'' Conte said. ''It's an area we can still talk about protecting now, rather than restoring later.''

The United States is one of 39 nations party to a 1959 treaty establishing Antarctica as an internationally shared scientific area and governing use of the continent.

Treaty signatories negotiated an agreement in 1988 requiring the environmental consequences of mining or oil and gas drilling be considered before such development is approved. But the accord stops short of outlawing mineral development in the fragile Antarctic environment.

Three nations - Australia, New Zealand and France - are opposed to the 1988 agreement, which has not been ratified. The subject is expected to be raised again at a meeting of the Antarctic treaty nations that opens Nov. 19 in Chile.

A 1989 report by the congressional Office of Technology Assessment concluded, ''There are no known commercial deposits of oil, gas or other minerals in

Antarctica.'' The report also doubted mineral exploration was feasible in the harsh climate at the bottom of the world.

Nevertheless, environmental groups have raised concerns that some countries have been conducting geological surveys of potential mineral resources under the guise of scientific research.

The House-passed bill prohibits U.S. citizens or companies from engaging in, financing or providing technical assistance to any oil, gas or mineral development in Antarctica until an international treaty banning those activities is ratified.

In addition, the measure would require activities of all federal agencies on the continent to be conducted in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act. Under this law, which currently applies only to U.S. territory, the government must prepare lengthy environmental studies of any major federal action it is planning.

Rep. William Broomfield, R-Mich., said the administration objects to this provision because it fears such restrictions could slow down scientific research on the continent.

But Rep. Walter Jones, D-N.C., another bill sponsor, said, ''I do not expect that the routine award of a research grant to an individual scientists will constitute a major federal action triggering the requirement to prepare an environmental impact statement.''

The House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee recently approved a separate bill containing additional environmental measures to control waste disposal, tourism and marine pollution in Anarctica.

But Jones, chairman of the panel, said too little time remained for enactment of this bill before Congress adjourns for the year.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 15) UPI - Grammy-winning rock guitarist Carlos Santana Monday sued Miller Brewing Co. and a New York advertising firm for allegedly unauthorized use of a "sound-alike" performance in a 1990 Miller Lite ad.

Santana's suit contends the Milwaukee-based beermaker and its advertising firm Baker Spielvogel Bates, Inc., violated the Lanham Trademark Act by using an imitator to perform Santana's singing and guitar style.

The suit accuses Miller of using Santana's unique style to perform "Black Magic Woman" on nationally televised advertisements. The song was made popular in 1970 on Santana's album Abraxas. It has been subsequently released on other

albums.

Beverly Jurkowski, a Miller spokeswoman said, "Miller did secure the appropriate rights to use the song Black Magic Woman in its advertising." Jurkowski indicated the company has not seen the Santana complaint and could not comment on the details.

She conceded the song was not performed by Santana but the rights were secured from Murbo Music an Bourne Co. The commercial is no longer running, she said.

In 1988, singer Bette Midler won a ground-breaking decision when the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled she could sue Ford Motors and its ad agency over 1985 TV commercials featuring another singer who imitated Midler's style while singing "Do You Want to Dance." On October 30, 1989 a federal jury awarded Midler $400,000 in damages against the New York ad agency. Ford was dismissed from the case.

Singer-songwriter Tom Waits sued Frito-Lay and its advertising agency in Nov. 1988, for using a Waits impersonator for Doritos corn chips ads. In May, 1990, a federal jury in Los Angeles awarded him $2.475 million against Frito-Lay and its ad agency.

Santana's suit contends Miller's alleged attempt to pass off the "sound alike" as if it were Santana's actual performance has created public confusion.

The suit asks that Miller be restrained from using any Santana sound alike performance of "Black Magic Woman" or any song associated with Santana. The lawsuit seeks an unspecified amount of damages. But the suit seeks triple damages under terms of trademark infringement law.

The suit, filed by Santana attorney David Phillips, contends Miller's "sound alike in the commercial is a deliberate imitation of Santana's internationally recognized distinctive sound and identity, used to profit Miller in selling 'Miller Lite Beer' and appropriates Santana's property right in his distinctive sound in violation of his right of publicity."

Santana gained wide fame for his performance at the legendary Woodstock Festival in New York state in 1969. He has sold more than 20 million albums. He won a Grammy award in 1989 for Best Rock Insturmental Performance and a 1988 award from the Bay Area Music Awards as Musician of the Year.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 15) UPI - The Supreme Court agreed Monday to hear an appeal in the case of a man sentenced to death in Idaho despite assurances from a prosecutor that he would receive a maximum sentence of life in prison.

The case involves the June 1983 beating death of a couple while camping in a rural area.

Bryan Lankford and his brother, Mark Lankford, were convicted of the killings in separate trials in Idaho City, Idaho.

Bryan Lankford was convicted of two counts of first-degree felony murder in the deaths of Robert and Cheryl Bravence. Before sentencing, he was called as witness at his brother's trial. He refused to testify before being granted immunity.

The state then notified the trial court and Bryan Lankford's attorney in writing that the death penalty would not be sought in his case.

In fact, at the Oct. 12, 1984, sentencing hearing, the state sought the minimal sentence available - an indeterminate life sentence - for Bryan Lankford, who had participated with authorities and who claimed his brother committed the actual murders.

State Judge George Reinhardt III, however, independently sentenced Bryan Lankford to death.

The state's highest court affirmed the conviction.

But the Supreme Court vacated the judgment and remanded the case back to the state. Idaho's highest court again upheld the conviction by a 3-2 decision, sending the case again to the Supreme Court.

Lankford claims because he was not notified a death sentence was being considered, his attorney presented no argument against such a penalty and so he was not able to offer a defense.

The state, in its brief to the Supreme Court, said that a prosecutor's assurances are not binding and argued that the Idaho homicide statutes gave Lankford ''constitutionally adequate notice of the potential penalty for first degree murder.''

88-7247 Bryan Stuart Lankford vs. State of Idaho

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - The dollar mostly strengthened on New York and other world foreign exchange markets Monday in a breather from its precipitous descent of last week, but the Japanese yen posted further strong gains.

Currency traders said yen-related dealings dominated international dealings as Japanese banks, insurance companies and other participants continued their

repatriation of funds from world capital and money markets.

Credit has tightened recently in Japan, and the Tokyo Stock Exchange's steep decline obliged banks to shore up their capital positions. All of this created heavy domestic demand for the yen, boosting it in markets.

"The yen continued to move from strength to strength," said Robert Hatcher, a Barclays Bank corporate dealer. He said the impact was felt most by currencies of Britain and Australia, where interest rates have softened. Britain lowered its basic interest rate one point to 14 percent Oct. 8, and Australia lowered its rate a point Monday to 16 percent.

Late in New York the dollar was quoted at 1.5265 German marks, up a bit from 1.5250 marks Friday, and 127.75 Japanese yen, off from 129.10. Hatcher said the dollar's firmness derived mainly from technical factors, as most players think it will move lower and are not buying it.

One reason for the dollar's respite from the downward ratcheting it suffered last week was that there was no news to shove it lower. The market is waiting for developments in the Persian Gulf and in Washington, Hatcher said. "We don't have any material or economic data to trade off."

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2905 Swiss francs, up from 1.2865; 5.1120 French francs, up from 5.1090; and 1,143 Italian lire, ahead from 1,142.75. The pound slipped to $1.9490 from $1.9655.

In Europe, the dollar closed higher against the major currencies despite Wall Street lethargy and continued U.S. budget uncertainty.

Dealers said the dollar was higher, but still under pressure amid the failure by Washington to reach agreement on reducing the budget deficit. Players were unconvinced by President Bush's promise of an eventual pact.

The dollar closed higher in Frankfurt, at 1.5230 German marks against 1.5210 Friday, and rose too in Zurich, to 1.2845 Swiss francs vs. 1.2815.

In London, the pound skidded nearly two cents to $1.9550 vs. $1.9745. Sterling sales took place amid an apparent move away from high interest rates around the world as Australia followed Britain's move.

Reports of German Bundesbank doubts about the pound's entry into the Exchange Rate Mechanism right now also sent sterling lower. The British currency joined the European exchange rate grid Oct. 8 after long hesitation.

The dollar rose in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to 5.1055 French francs vs. 5.0930, 31.36 Belgian francs vs. 31.28, and at 1,142.55 lire vs. 1,140.25.

Earlier, the dollar plummeted against the Japanese yen in Tokyo, reflecting a

gloomy outlook for the U.S. economy. The dollar closed at 128.15 yen, down 1.15 yen from Friday's close of 129.30 yen. "Bearish sentiment is growing toward the dollar," commented one dealer. Like others, he noted U.S. inflationary pressures.

Gold fell on heavy Middle East and Far East selling on indications Iraq and the United States were privately softening their positions. Speculators were worried that gold, which topped $400 an ounce recently, might plunge.

Precious metals analyst Michael Spriggs of Warburg Securities in London, said that without active hostilities, gold will slip to the $350 level.

In Zurich, the precious metal fell nine dollars to $379 an ounce vs. $388 an ounce, and in London lost $8 to hit $379.25 an ounce vs. $387.25.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $376 an ounce, off from $388.25 Friday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $375 an ounce, down from $387.50.

Silver closed lower in Zurich at $4.20 an ounce vs. $4.35, and also was lower in London at $4.23 an ounce vs. $4.31.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.16 an ounce, off from $4.325. Comex silver closed at $4.132 an ounce, off from $4.306.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 15) UPI - The National Hockey League is expected to clear up its future with cable television in the next month or two, league president John A. Ziegler Jr. said Monday.

The league's three-year, $51 million pact with SportsChannel America expires after the 1990-91 season, and the two currently are embroiled in contract negotiations.

Ziegler admitted the NHL is disappointed with the exposure gained in its deal with SportsChannel, which originally promised to pump its hockey broadcasts into 25-30 million homes. Ziegler said it has reached 12.5 million to 15 million homes, while Broadcasting magazine recently put the figure at more like 10.5 million.

"You've got be able to reach the hockey markets, and that's one of the more disappointing aspects, that they did not reach all of our hockey markets," said Ziegler, in town to kick off publicity for this season's NHL All-Star Game at Chicago Stadium.

"And with our expansion plans coming to fruition, hopefully, we want to make

sure where we may locate new franchises, that they're going to be able to get the national game, not just the local game."

Ziegler said the problem with SportsChannel's original estimates developed when some local cable system owners realized they could make money by producing their own hockey broadcasts rather than just being the receivers and distributors the NHL and SportsChannel had in mind. The local cable system owners, in turn, became competitors of SportsChannel, the main one being Prime Ticket on the West Coast.

"It was something nobody anticipated and was a very suprising and interesting development in the cable business," Ziegler said. "That's where SportsChannel apparently missed the ball," he added.

Before its deal with SportsChannel, the NHL broadcast its games nationally on ESPN, and before that on the USA Network. Ziegler said there are a number of alternatives available if the contract with SportsChannel is allowed to expire.

"Because we're into this exclusive period of discussion, it would not be appropriate to be talking about that," he said. "We're in discussions now, and I would hope in 30-60 days we'll find out how SportsChannel and ourselves see the future."

The NHL has come under severe criticism for being the only major sport to not have a national television package to showcase its games. "That's because we have not tried to get one. We've gone a different way," Ziegler said, showing the league hasn't changed its stance at all. "Remember, all sports is a business. From a business standpoint, this league has made great strides in the last 10 years.

"The basic idea and the basic concept has been great. Where SportsChannel is seen, our hockey fans have enjoyed it better than any other national presentation of hockey than we've ever had. What we have to do is find a way to get make sure we can get to more households on our national package." The 42nd NHL All-Star Game will be shown on network television, however, for the second straight year.

On another matter, Ziegler defended the league's current drug policy, which suspends players for a first offense, although they can be reinstated after treatment. "If the players' association has a better way to achieve that, then I hope they bring it forward and bring it forward quickly," he said.

Whereas other sports have a policy that allows players to turn themselves in and get treatment without such severe punishment for a first offense, Ziegler said he does not want hockey fans "to have to pay and to have each club be babysitters for drug users."

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Stocks closed higher in moderate trading Monday but the gains were concentrated in the blue chip Dow stocks which rebounded from an early plunge tied to program selling.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which jumped 32.92 Friday, rose 18.32 to close at 2416.34.

Among broader market gauges, the NYSE composite index added 1.42 to 165.84 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 3.20 to 303.23. The price of an average share gained 25 cents.

The broad market failed to keep pace with the Dow as advances barely led declines, 794-741 among the 1,976 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to 164,980,000 shares, down from 187,944,370 shares Friday.

The Dow industrials rode a roller-coaster through midday, which analysts blamed on waves of program buying and selling as well as profit taking on the swings down.

Prices opened higher and quickly added to their gains until the Dow was up about 20 points. But the gains were wiped out as the Dow fell to unchanged levels and then into the minus column, bottoming out with a loss of 35 points.

In the afternoon, however, the Dow boomeranged back into positive territory thanks to program buying and optimism about a budget pact this week. President Bush said Monday that he and both of the GOP's congressional leaders were "on the same wave length" in preferring a Senate committee's bipartisan deficit reduction proposal over a House Democratic plan.

Lower oil prices also helped the rebound, analysts said. Crude oil futures fell below $38 a barrel Monday. Prices were down $1.79 to $37.90 in late trading.

"We had some volatility here today but didn't end up too badly," said Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King & Associates in Albany, N.Y. "The feeling is we might get this budget thing through and that would be helpful."

But Doran said there is still a lot of uncertainty in the market about the prospects for a budget agreement by Friday's deadline. "There's still time to self-destruct, so the move here today is temporary. My feeling is traders are cautiously optimistic," he said.

He also said he did not think volume was heavy enough to convince investors that the market has bottomed out from its plunge over the last two months. "I don't think it was enough to convince people the market has reached a plateau.

It's going to take a while to get our confidence back," he said.

On the trading floor, IBM was the most active issue, down one to 99 1/4 even as other Dow stocks recovered. It reported higher earnings for the third quarter of $1.95 a share, compared with $1.51 a share in the 1989 period, but the results appeared to be at the low end of analysts' expectations.

They were also said to include a substantial contribution from foreign operations because of the weak dollar. Big Blue has reportedly refused to quantify for analysts the size of that contribution.

Eastman Kodak followed, surging 3 1/4 to 37 7/8 after being ordered late Friday to pay $909.5 million for infringing on Polaroid's instant photography patents. But Polaroid had expected a much larger award and plunged 6 1/2 to 22 3/4 on the news. Archer Daniels Midland was third, off 2 1/8 to 21 1/2 after reporting lower first-quarter earnings.

Among the other blue chips, Philip Morris gained 7/8 to 45 5/8, AT&T rose 1/4 to 32 1/4, General Electric added 1 3/8 to 54 3/8, Sears gained 1 3/8 to 24 3/8, and Merck added one to 78 1/2. Coca-Cola rose 5/8 to 42 1/4 and General Motors gained 5/8 to 37 3/8.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 194,881,120 shares, compared with 224,595,970 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index lost 0.70 to 293.27. Declines led advances 307-235 among the 786 issues traded. The price of an average share dipped three cents. Composite volume totaled 11,942,700 shares, down from 13,848,975 traded Friday. Echo Bay Mines led the Amex issues, off 1 1/8 to 10 7/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index gained 1.98 to 329.53.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	15	8	23
New lows	218	238	108

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	793	97,531,200
Declines	741	53,607,200
Unchanged	442	13,841,600

Total	1,976	164,980,000

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(OCT. 15) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did

New highs 4
New lows 89

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	235	3,609,500
Declines	312	4,861,500
Unchanged	239	1,879,000
Total	786	10,350,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	330.18	325.84	329.54	up 1.99
Industrial	350.90	345.32	349.22	up 1.50
Finance	331.90	327.69	331.83	up 3.19
Insurance	384.51	379.78	382.10	off 0.21
Utility	457.66	448.11	456.87	up 7.22
Bank	244.76	242.45	243.12	off 1.05
Transport	370.23	365.29	367.21	up 0.89

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-11) 325.61

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	144.30 up 0.98
Industrial Index	137.99 up 0.72
NASDAQ-100 Index	338.70 up 5.27
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.47 up 0.04
Volume	81,667,504 shares
Advances	745
Declines	749
Unchanged	1,303
Total	2,797

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	166.18	163.39	165.84	up 1.42
Industrial	205.41	201.81	204.91	up 1.72
Transport	130.43	128.31	129.42	up 0.39
Utility	87.61	86.28	87.61	up 0.96
Finance	107.29	105.80	107.09	up 0.70

Equivalent to a gain of 25 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 164,980,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	104,219,500
Advances	874
Declines	986
Unchanged	2,380
Total	4,240

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Affliated Fund 8.81 9.45

Anchor Fund Inv	13.90	14.75
Delaware Mutual	16.12	17.29
Fidelity Fund	15.54	15.54
Investors Mutual	10.39	10.93
Investors Stocks	17.36	18.27
Investors Select	8.23	8.66
IDS Equity Plus	8.35	8.79
Mass Inv Growth	7.39	7.97
Nicholas Fund	3.15	3.15
United Accumulated	5.87	6.42
United Income	15.54	16.98
Vanguard Wellington	15.44	15.44

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austral	.000184	.000184	5439.00	5435.00
Australia dlr	.7885	.8173	1.2682	1.2235
Austria schill	.0934	.0935	10.71	10.70
Belgium franc-c	.0319	.0319	31.33	31.31
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0113	.0114	88.46	87.59
Britain pound	1.9493	1.9190	.5130	.5211
Britain 1-mo	1.9393	1.9596	.5156	.5103
Britain 3-mo	1.9230	1.9431	.5200	.5146
Britain 6-mo	1.9010	1.9212	.5260	.5205
Canada dollar	.8669	.8730	1.1535	1.1455
Canada 1-mo	.8639	.8700	1.1575	1.1494
Canada 3-mo	.8582	.8641	1.1652	1.1573
Canada 6-mo	.8506	.8564	1.1757	1.1677
Chile peso-f	.003451	.003451	289.78	289.78
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001900	.001902	526.20	525.70
Denmark krne	.1721	.1725	5.8110	5.7980
Ecudr sucre-z	.001198	.001198	834.60	834.60
Egypt pound	.3686	.3706	2.7130	2.6983
Finlnd mrkka	.2782	.2780	3.5945	3.5975
France franc	.1960	.1961	5.1020	5.1000
France 1-mo	.1957	.1958	5.1088	5.1068
France 3-mo	.1955	.1952	5.1158	5.1218
France 6-mo	.1942	.1943	5.1498	5.1470
Greece drach	.006600	.006623	151.51	150.98
Hollnd guildr	.5817	.5827	1.7191	1.7161
HongKong dlr	.1288	.1290	7.7630	7.7548
India rupee	.0560	.0560	17.85	17.85
Indo'sa rupia	.000541	.000542	1847.00	1846.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7590	1.7625	0.5685	0.5674
Israel shekel	.5061	.5061	1.9760	1.9760
Italy lira	.000876	.000876	1141.00	1141.50
Japan yen	.007831	.007756	127.70	128.93
Japan 1-mo	.008013	.007954	124.80	125.73
Japan 3-mo	.007924	.007878	126.20	126.93
Japan 6-mo	.008331	.008123	120.03	123.10
Jordan dinar	1.5674	1.5674	.6380	.6380

Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000347	.000348	2881.00	2870.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6078	.6155	1.6453	1.6247
Norway krne	.1693	.1701	5.9050	5.8800
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.54	21.54
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	433,400	433,400
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007492	.007548	133.48	132.48
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5807	.5793	1.7220	1.7262
S.Africa rand	.3954	.3971	2.5291	2.5180
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010455	.010441	95.65	95.78
Sweden krona	.1775	.1775	5.6340	5.6350
Switzrl franc	.7752	.7865	1.2900	1.2715
Switzrl 1-mo	.7750	.7830	1.2904	1.2771
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7719	.7829	1.2955	1.2773
Switzrl 6-mo	.7751	.7833	1.2902	1.2765
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.79	26.79
Turkey lira	.000370	.000369	2701.00	2712.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Venez bolivr-z	.0207	.0207	48.27	48.27
W.Ger Mark	.6555	.6566	1.5255	1.5230
W.Ger 1-mo	.6554	.6566	1.5257	1.5231
W.Ger 3-mo	.6548	.6560	1.5272	1.5247
W.Ger 6-mo	.6535	.6545	1.5303	1.5278
Yugosl dinar	.0960	.0960	10.42	10.42

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (UPI-FNNPRO) - American Telephone & Telegraph Co. is expected to set the tone Tuesday for a moderately strong third quarter in the telecommunications industry, when the company releases its earnings, analysts said Monday.

''At the very least, AT&T should match its year-ago earnings of 65 cents a share, and I would actually expect earnings higher by a few cents, like 68 cents to 70 cents a share, but this could be on the optimistic side,'' said analyst Audrey Stevoff with Duff & Phelps.

Among the factors curbing AT&T's earnings, she cited sluggish equipment sales for the second quarter in a row and a declining economy eroding consumer spending.

Analyst David Boczar with New Japan Securities earlier forecast earnings of 70 cents a share while saying the outlook for the telecommunications giant was certainly better on the long term than on the short term.

''AT&T will continue to incur costs related to its new Universal credit card while the outlook for the communications equipment segment remains sluggish, reflecting the overall economic conditions,'' he said.

Stevoff, who estimated that AT&T had retained 64 percent of the long- distance business, expected AT&T to remain strong in that sector due to an aggressive marketing campaign.

''But AT&T remains under strong pressure from its competition, MCI and Sprint '' she said.

MCI Communications Corp. is expected to report higher third-quarter earnings on an operating basis, excluding a substantial write-off the company is taking to terminate its analog operations, said analyst George Dellinger with County NatWest USA.

''On an operating basis, I expect MCI to report between 65 cents and 70 cents a share in the third quarter, up from 62 cents in the same period last year,'' Dellinger said. ''This does not include a large write-off which MCI is taking to close its analog plants since the company has completed its conversion to digital.''

Dellinger pointed out that, although the quarter ''was a good one for MCI,'' it might fall short of meeting Wall Street's expectations.

''The name of the game is expectations, and if you fall short of Wall Street's expectations, there is not so much you can do,'' he said.

Dellinger's estimate for AT&T was on the low side, ''flat or at 66 cents compared with 65 cents last year.'' He estimated AT&T's share of the long-distance carrier business at not more than 62 percent, but holding relatively strongly at that level.

''The start-up cost to open a new Universal account is $80 before any money comes in and this is hurting the quarter,'' he said.

Overall, Dellinger estimated that the telecommunications industry was growing at a strong rate, ''three times faster than the gross national product,'' boosted by new products such as data transmission.

Stevoff said projections are reasonably good not only for long- distance giants but also for the seven Bell companies, formed after the 1984 break-up of the telecommunications monopoly.

Pacific Telesis Group was the only local distance company expected to release lower third-quarter earnings, due to a major rate reduction.

Stevoff predicted 10 percent gains at Ameritech Corp., expected to report $1.16 a share vs. $1.06 in the year-ago quarter, and at U S West, with 78 cents a share vs. 71 cents.

Other exected gainers among the Bell companies are Southwestern Bell Corp., with a projected $1.11 a share, up from $1.06, and Bell Atlantic Corp., with 91 cents, up from 86 cents.

All gainers benefited from growth in call volume and line access.

Nynex Corp. and BellSouth Corp. were likely to report flat third- quarter earnings of $1.47 and 89 cents respectively, Stevoff said. She cited a one-time charge at Nynex to end an investigation by the Federal Communications Commission, and rate reductions at BellSouth as the reason for the modest performance.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Charter One Financial	Q	.15	11-14	10-29
Distribution				
Power Test Inv LP	Q	.17	12-3	11-1
Reduced				
AIRCOA Hotel LP cl-A	Q	.18	11-15	10-31
Northeast Bancorp	Q	.18	11-10	10-15
Usual				
BF Goodrich Co	Q	.53	12-31	12-3
Brooke Group Ltd	Q	.14	11-1	10-25
Dana Corp	Q	.40	12-14	11-30
First Australia PIFI	M	.09	11-16	11-5
Flagship Fincl Corp	Q	.10	11-16	11-2
Flamemaster Corp	Q	.02 1/2	10-31	10-16

Hunt (JB) Transport SI	Q	.06	11-27	11-9
LADD Furniture Inc	Q	.07	11-15	11-1
Lilly (Eli) & Co	Q	.41	12-8	11-15
MuniInsured Fund Inc	..	.0528	11-7	10-26
PLM Intl Inc	Q	.19	11-1	10-22
Southern Co	Q	.53 1/2	12-6	11-5
TECO Energy Inc	Q	.40 1/2	11-15	11-1

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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(OCT. 15) UPI - The Senate today prepared to approve a 268-BILLION-dollar defense appropriations bill that would result in the largest single-year cut in military spending since the end of the Vietnam War. The massive defense cut comes despite the Persian Gulf crisis.

With a stalemate threatening to plunge the federal government back into chaos at week's end, President Bush today offered new talk of gloom and doom on the budget mess in Washington. He told reporters in Dallas the American people will have only Congress to blame if there's NO budget agreement. .

Bush also decried ''gastly atrocities'' by Iraqi forces in Kuwait as ''Hitler revisited.'' During his political trip to Texas, Bush raised the prospect of holding Saddam Husseim accountable for war crimes. .

Defense Secretary Cheney reportedly says American troops could stay in Saudi Arabia ''for years'' if necessary to expel Iraqi troops from Kuwait. During a visit to London, Cheney told the B-B-C there are more than 200-thousand allied troops in Saudi Arabia.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir says the United Nations shouldN'T play a role in investigating the Palestinian deaths at Jerusalem's Temple Mount. He says Jerusalem is NOT occupied territory, and therefore the U-N should have NO involvement in issues related to Jerusalem.

The jailed former head of California's Lincoln Savings and Loan, Charles Keating, made his first public comment on his troubles today as he entered a Los Angeles courtroom. Keating said- quote- ''It's dangerous to be right when the government is wrong.'' A judge set trial for December 5th.

Flags are flying at half staff today at New York's Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts in mourning for musical giant Leonard Bernstein. The famed conductor-composer-pianist died yesterday of a heart attack. He was 72.

Fumes filled the cabin of a Trans World Airlines jetliner shortly after takeoff today, forcing the D-C-9 with 53 people aboard to return to the St.

Louis International airport. A T-W-A spokesman says the NON- toxic fumes were released when a backup hydraulic line ruptured.

President Bush has signed into law a bill to compensate hundreds of Americans who developed cancer and other ailments due to radiation exposure from open-air atomic weapons tests in Nevada. The bill authorizes a 100-Million-dollar trust fund for damage claims.

NASA officials say engineers are getting ready for the crucial fueling of the shuttle Atlantis next week. The operation will reveal if Atlantis is leak-free and ready for launch around November 10th on a long-delayed military flight.

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TROY, N.Y. (OCT. 15) UPI - The problem with Yankee ingenuity is there is too much focus on inventors - and too little acclaim for the unsung heroes who get innovative products to the marketplace, the head of General Electric Co. warned Monday.

''Campuses and corporations too often glorified the inventors and not enough (was done) to support the nuts and bolts of productivity,'' said GE Chairman Jack Welch, during a satellite interview at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

''Universities, national labs and corporations are too focused on individual achievements over team efforts and overall results,'' he said.

Welch's appearance was a key feature of a two-day conference for business and science writers on American technology and competitiveness in the next millenium.

Welch, who recently returned from a visit to the Soviet Union, said the bureaucracies that shackled Soviet engineers for 70 years are not unlike corporate bureaucracies that constrained American engineers for the past 40 years.

In the Soviet Union ''we are seeing entrepeneurship across the table, '' Welch said, describing the perestroika-generation of engineers as ''zealous and passionate.''

He said among the biggest hurdles facing American engineers are a glut of administrative duties, a ''publish-or-perish'' philosophy and a yen for complexity.

The American system ''rewards complexity and sophistication. (American) people have trouble dealing with simplicity,'' Welch noted.

But simplicity is a concept the Japanese have mastered and, through it, have

fostered cheaper consumer goods that are also high in quality, he said.

''Universities must stop revering the ... complicated solution,'' he said. The emphasis on ''next generation and upscale'' is a formula for defeat on the world economic stage, he repeatedly said.

''That's the back end of winning the productivity game,'' he said.

Welch described the future world marketplace as divided into three blocs: the European Economic Community, Japan and the Pacific rim, and a North American entity consisting of the United States, Canada and Mexico.

He chided those who suggest Americans will lose manufacturing jobs as a result of joint ventures that giant U.S. companies are signing with Japan, Mexico and other countries.

''Don't get Yankee ingenuity and Yankee parochialism confused,'' Welch said.

Welch went to describe two joint ventures with the Japanese which benefited GE for opposite reasons.

He said a joint venture with Japan's Fanuc Corp. saved his company from a disastrous attempt in the 1970s at producing robotics and equipment for factory automation.

''Japan was ahead of us and had us beat,'' Welch said.

He said Fanuc gave GE Japanese technology in return for access to the American market.

Welch said the second venture with Yokogawa Electric Corp. meant giving away American technology - this time in the field of medical imaging - in return for access to the Asian market.

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#90288u2041 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
LA JOLLA, Calif. (OCT. 16) UPI - Canada's ambassador to the United States told border businessmen Monday that his nation was ready to begin negotiating a free trade agreement with the United States and Mexico despite skepticism at home.

Speaking at a high-tech forum sponsored by Rep. Jim Bates, D-San Diego, Ambassador Derek H. Burney said his government believed Canada must seek trade alliances with its North American neighbors even though just such an agreement with the United States recently whipped up bitter complaints from Canadian labor unions and others who feared Canada had given up too much.

''You can't stand still and prosper ... (but) there are a lot of people in Canada who would prefer to throw up the walls and hope for the best,'' Burney said during a question-and-answer session following his speech.

Officials from Ottawa, Washington and Mexico City were preparing to begin talks on trilateral free trade that would form an economic alliance that would further open their markets to one another through a raft of agreements on tariffs, travel regulations and protections.

A free-trade agreement between the United States and Canada was implemented last year and Burney said it was still being digested by the Canadian people and vocal critics of Prime Minister Brian Mulroney's government.

''I recognize there is still opposition in Canada to the Free Trade Agreement for a whole raft of reasons, some of which even have something to do with the agreement,'' Burney said.

''Some of the most extreme and effective criticisms of this agreement, however have been put aside and it is being looked at in economic terms,'' he said.

At stake for Canada in the talks is access to the lucrative American market and to 85 million Mexicans who theoretically will have more disposable income to spend on consumer goods if current economic reforms launched by Mexico City bear fruit.

Being the smaller of the three nations, however, may mean Canada will be the last to realize any major benefits from a free trade agreement since its industrial base is just not large enough to start pouring goods into the United States and south across the Rio Grande.

''It is going to take time because Canada is going to have to make major investments to rationalize these new opportunities,'' said Ann Hughes, deputy assistant secretary of western hemispheric economic policy for the U.S. Commerce Department.

Burney said opportunities in Mexico for Canadian and American companies were not limited to manufacturing. Improvements in infrastructure, such as telecommunications, also would be open for bidding.

''It will take time for the benefits to be as visible as the critics, '' Burney said.

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(OCT. 15) UPI - President Bush traveled to Dallas today to kick off two days of campaigning for Republicans in five states. But the major issue at a luncheon today was the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush suggested that Iraqi

President Saddam Hussein was ''Hitler revisted''... and like the Nazis, Saddam could face trial for war crimes. The president says there are increasing numbers of tales of horror coming from occupied Kuwait.

A former securities trader at Drexel Burnham Lambert Incorporated says one-time junk bond king Michael Milken was involved in backroom stock market dealings. Trader Peter Gardiner linked Milken to a share manipulation during testimony today at a pre-sentence hearing before a federal judge in New York. Milken, who has already pleaded guilty to several charges, faces up to 28 years in prison.

1976 Olympic gymanists champion Nadia Comaneci says the man who helped her flee Romania was far from being her lover. Comaneci charges that Florida roofer Constantin Panait kept her prisoner in hotel rooms... beat her regularly... and cheated her out of 150-thousand dollars. She says the ordeal with Panait lasted three months and took her across the United States and into Canada, where he finally fled.

The World Health Organization reports that tuberculosis cases and deaths are rising sharply due to the spread of the AIDS virus. The U-N health agency says there are about three-Million deaths a year from tuberculosis... with eight-Million new cases every year. The W-H-O says the figures are up even though it is relatively inexpensive to prevent and cure the lung disease.

Some New York car owners who paid for warranty-type repairs to their new vehicles will be reimbursed under the state's ''lemon law.'' A dozen automobile manufacturers have agreed to pay refunds that could total as much as 100-Million dollars. The settlements follow four years of court battles. The carmakers entered into the refund agreement without admitting any wrongdoing.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Washington	0-0-1-1
Montreal	1-1-1-3

First period-1, Montreal, Carbonneau 1 (Keane, Gilchrist), 17:51.

Penalties-Kypreos, Was, major (fighting), 5:15; Ewen, Mtl, major (fighting), misconduct, 5:15; Lefebvre, Mtl, 12:05; Rouse, Was, 14:38.

Second period-2, Montreal, McPhee 2 (Desjardins, Gilchrist), 4:35. Penalty-Bondra, Was, 8:30.

Third period-3, Washington, Hunter 2 (Rouse, Hatcher), 5:39. 4, Montreal,

Skrudland 4 (Courtnall), 7:06.

Penalties-Miller, Was, 2:35; Corson, Mtl, 3:38; Schneider, Mtl, 8:37; Rouse, Was, 10:00.

Shots on goal-Washington 7-5-11-23. Montreal 6-5-6-17.

Power-play conversions-Washington 3-0. Montreal 4-0.

Goalies-Washington, Beaupre. Montreal, Roy. A-16,382.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

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MONTREAL (OCT. 15) UPI - Brian Skrudland's fourth goal of the season at 7:06 of the third period Monday night, helped the Montreal Canadiens to a 3-1 victory over the Washington Capitals.

Skrudland shot the puck over the pads of Washington goalie Don Beaupre, who had slid out of the net, giving Montreal a two-goal advantage.

Dale Hunter had cut the Canadiens lead to 2-1 at 5:39 of the third period by deflecting a drive off the stick of Bob Rouse past Montreal goalie Patrick Roy.

Roy, who has started all six of Montreal games, stopped 22 Washington shots and Brent Gilchrist had two assists for the Canadiens.

Montreal took the lead at 17:51 of the first period on a shot by Guy Carbonneau. Carbonneau took a feed from Mike Keane chopped at the pucj which bounced along the ice and eluded Washington goalie Don Beaupre.

Mike McPhee extended Montreal's lead to 2-0 at 4:35 of the second period, steering a drive from the blue line by defenseman Eric Desjardins past Beaupre for his second goal of the year.

It was Beaupre's first start of the season. Washington had used Mike Liut in net in their their first five games this season.

Washington got their best scoring chance of the game when they were shorthanded in the first period. Former Canadiens defenseman Rod Langway broke in on Roy during a three-on-one break but missed an open net.

During the game the Canadiens announced that goalie Brian Hayward was being suspended with pay. Hayward bolted the team a week ago, demanding to be traded and was suspended without pay.

But the NHL Players Association informed Montreal General Manager Serge Savard that he couldn't suspend Hayward without pay, so the club was forced to make the change although Hayward would not rejoin the team.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	4	2	0	8	25	16
New Jersey	3	2	1	7	24	23
Philadelphia	3	2	0	6	20	16
Pittsburgh	3	2	0	6	24	20
Washington	2	4	0	4	18	24
NY Islanders	1	3	0	2	11	16

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	4	1	1	9	24	16
Hartford	3	2	1	7	22	21
Montreal	3	2	1	7	19	20
Quebec	2	2	2	6	22	26
Buffalo	0	3	2	2	17	21

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	4	2	0	8	20	14
Detroit	2	2	2	6	22	26
St. Louis	2	2	0	4	9	14
Minnesota	1	4	1	3	15	23
Toronto	0	4	1	1	12	25

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	4	1	1	9	29	16
Calgary	4	2	0	8	22	17
Vancouver	3	2	0	6	19	16
Edmonton	1	1	2	4	15	15
Winnipeg	1	4	1	3	19	19

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - The World Series will be broadcast to U.S. armed

forces stationed in 132 countries around the world, including troops in the Middle East, over the Armed Forces Radio and Television Service (AFRTS), Major League Baseball announced Monday.

Between the half innings, messages to soldiers from their families and friends at home will be broadcast, as well as messages from President Bush and Major League Baseball Commissioner Fay Vincent Jr. The family messages will be produced by local CBS affiliates.

The CBS broadcasts of the games will be transmitted to Major League Baseball Productions headquarters in South Hackensack, N.J., where the messages from home will be inserted. The game will then be broadcast by the AFRTS to military installations around the world and to U.S. ships and land-based troops throughout the Middle East.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 15) UPI - Nadia Comaneci, the gymnastics darling of the 1976 Olympics who fled Romania last year, said Monday her reputed boyfriend in the United States beat her regularly, kept her prisoner in his home and blackmailed her of $150,000 in income.

Comaneci said the traumatic ordeal lasted three months and took her on a harrowing journey through Florida, California, New York and Canada. She said shortly after arriving in the United States she was locked in hotel rooms and a Los Angeles apartment and not allowed so much as to answer the phone.

''I was in a free country,'' she said. ''But I was not free.''

Comaneci, who turns 29 next month, said she has settled since February in Montreal, where she is planning to become a Canadian citizen, stage gymnastics exhibitions and perhaps enter coaching.

The woman who scored the first perfect 10 in the Olympics said the Florida roofer with whom she was romantically linked had taken her earnings from interviews and magazine layouts and returned with his wife to his native Romania.

Comaneci spoke at a ballroom table to a handful of reporters after being honored by the Women's Sports Foundation. Wearing a crisp gray business suit and white blouse, she said in halting but capable English that this was the first time she was speaking of her travails in America since her perilous escape from Romania on Nov. 28, 1989.

She said she wants to clear her name following the leering innuendo surrounding her involvement with Constantin Panait, the self-employed roofer who helped her flee Romania and soon dominated her life at will.

''I am not a scandal person,'' she said. ''This is not my image.''

At a Hollywood, Fla., news conference just over 10 months ago, Comaneci said she was involved with Panait and did not care he was married. She stoked romantic flames, hinting they would set up house. She also said at the time she wanted nothing to do with her celebrated coach, Bela Karolyi.

Comaneci now insists Panait was not her paramour, but her captor. She added that she speaks often with Karolyi, a Romanian who runs an acclaimed gymnastics school in Houston. Karolyi was not immediately available at his school to confirm the account of his most famous pupil.

''When I came to the United States this guy kept me like I was in a prison,'' she said of Panait. ''He didn't let me call anybody. I couldn't call my family in Romania. I knew something was wrong. ... I couldn't go anywhere alone. I moved from one apartment to another.''

Comaneci said she did not speak of Panait's abuse because he was her lifeline to this country. She also feared more beatings from him if she did not cooperate.

''He punched her, black and blue,'' Alexandru Stefu, Comaneci's manager in Montreal, said as he pointed to the side of his face. ''The guy is a bandit.''

Comaneci was asked if she was sexually abused by Panait. She did not reply. She admitted to physical punishment, but did not want to elaborate. She said she is still recovering emotionally.

''He beat me,'' she said. ''There are some things I don't even want to remember.''

Comaneci said she did not go to the police or take legal action against Panait because she did not understand how to handle such things.

''I come from a communist country,'' she said. ''We learned nothing of lawyers nothing about rights. I don't know what to do. He said, 'I'll send you back to Romania.' It was like I was dropped from the sky. I knew nothing. I was scared.''

Comaneci said she had few resources when she arrived, but income from interviews, photographs and a fashion spread in a London magazine produced about $150,000. However, she said she was not allowed to cash a check and never saw a dime.

''He used me for money,'' she said.

A network of Romanian friends came to Comaneci's aid, including Stefu. She

said she and Panait traveled to Canada in February because of the prospect of lucrative contracts.

That was where she finally rid herself of him. Apparently, Panait feared Stefu or the police would intervene, and the roofer ran off to the airport at dawn, leaving Comaneci behind.

''I said, 'I'm free, I'm free,''' Comaneci recalled, thrusting her arms in the air.

Comaneci said she is glad to return to Montreal, the site of her great triumph where as a winsome 14-year-old she mesmerized a global television audience with her grace, strength and acrobatics.

Her first perfect 10 on the uneven parallel bars was one of the Olympics' finest moments. She won three gold medals, plus a silver and a bronze, in Montreal and two golds at the 1980 Olympics.

But all her medals were left behind in Romania, where Comaneci said she was once the ''little princess'' but had fallen into disfavor with deposed ruler Nicolae Ceausescu.

''He didn't like anybody more famous than himself,'' she said.

Panait held an exit permit and assisted her escape. A guide led her and six others across frozen fields before she and Panait reunited at a Hungarian police station.

Comaneci said she does not want to recover her money from Panait because she wants to avoid such attention. She performed at a gymnastics exhibition at Vail, Colo., two weeks ago (''It was very, very hard for me.'') and plans similar events and promotions in Canada. She has no intention of returning to competition.

She also said she may pursue a project with exercise queen Jane Fonda and added the Disney company has bought the movie rights to her life.

''I am very happy now,'' she said. ''I am safe. This is the life I want to have.''

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(OCT. 15) UPI - President Bush left Washington today on a two-day political swing. Earlier, Bush said he and G-O-P congressional leaders are ''on the same wave length'' in preferring a Senate panel's bipartisan deficit reduction package over a House Democratic plan. Bush also renewed his attack on Congress for failing to complete work on the budget... prompting Democratic House

Speaker Thomas Foley to chide the president for engaging in ''partisan gaming.''

The Supreme Court made two decisions today that limit state's rights. The justices unanimously ruled that some states must get federal approval before creating new judgeships. They also blocked state prosecution of airlines for false advertising. In addition, the justices ordered an appeals court to decide if there is a loophole in the high court's June ruling that burning the flag is a form of expression protected by the Constitution.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev says he is ''deeply moved'' by being awarded the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize. Gorbachev said his selection today means society recognizes that the world's fate is linked to the fortunes of his perestroika reforms. He adds that everyone who sincerely supports the victory of perestroika in the Soviet Union shares in his being named the Peace Prize laureate.

A surrogate mother involved in an UNprecedented custody battle in California testified today that she always believed she had an ''absolute'' right to keep the child. Anna Johnson told a Santa Ana court that she signed a contract agreeing to give up the child to his genetic parents. But Johnson says she NEVER fully understood the document detailing her agreement with Mark and Crispina Glover to carry their fertilized egg.

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#90288u2456 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 15) UPI - House Republican leader Bob Michel says the G-O-P is ''putting the finishing touches on'' an alternative deficit reduction plan that will be offered on the House floor tomorrow. The Illinois lawmaker says ''it DOESN'T appear'' the plan includes new taxes... as does a money blueprint proposed by Democrats on the Ways and Means Committee. Michel says the Republican plan would rely ''heavily on cutting spending'' to reduce the deficit.

The Senate refused today to stop production of the multi-BILLION- dollar B44 margin a proposal that opponents say would have killed the B-2 program. The vote on the futuristic warplane highlighted consideration of the fiscal 1991 defense appropriations bill... which represents the largest single-year reduction in military spending since the Vietnam War.

An opposition newspaper in Egypt blames Iraqi intelligence for last week's assassination of Egyptian Parliament Speaker Rifaat El Mahgoub. The paper says the Iraqis planned the attack and ordered Palestinian extremist Abu Nidal to carry it out. The article cites UNidentified sources as saying the killers originally planned to blow up the Cairo hotel where Mahgoub was scheduled to meet with his Syrian counterpart.

Israel's representative to the United Nations met today with the secretary-general at the world body's headquarters in New York. The Israeli official informed U-N chief Javier Perez de Cuellar of his nation's decision NOT to receive a U-N team to probe last week's killing of 20 Palestinians in Jerusalem. Israel's refusal to cooperate raises the question of whether the United Nations will send a mission at all.

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#90288u2459 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 15) UPI - South African black nationalist Nelson Mandela was in New Delhi today... where he urged the Indian government to continue its support of the fight against apartheid. Thousands of Indians cheered Mandela during his speech at a public rally organized in his honor. Mandela says South Africa's racist government policy is in- quoting here- ''the last throes of its demise.''

A jury has been picked and opening arguments are to begin tomorrow in the obscenity trial of the Miami rap group 2 Live Crew. Four women and two men will hear the Fort Lauderdale, Florida, case against group members Luther Campbell, Christopher Wongwon and Mark Ross. Defense attorney Bruce Rogow says he needed a black jury to insure a fair trial... but only one member of the panel selected today is black.

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#90288u2617 10/15/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 15) UPI - The Senate voted 79BILLION- dollar defense appropriations bill for fiscal 1991. The measure is 20- BILLION dollars less than what President Bush asked for at the beginning of the year, and nearly 16-BILLION dollars below what Congress approved last year. .

Earlier, the Senate refused to stop production of the futuristic B-2 stealth bomber. The bill passed tonight includes about five-BILLION dollars for the acquisition of two B-2's this year. The House has voted to cancel the B-2 program. The differences will have to be worked out by a conference committee.

Congress is trying to come up with a budget agreement by Friday, when a bill temporarily funding government operations expires. House G-O-P leader Bob Michel says Republicans are finishing up work on their version of a deficit cutting package, to be offered for debate tomorrow. .

President Bush took to the road today to raise money for Republican candidates in five states. Before he left Washington, he met with G-O-P leaders and later said they all basically prefer the Senate Finance Committee's bipartisan budget plan to one proposed by House Democrats.

At a Republican fund-raising luncheon in Dallas, President Bush held out the

prospect of a Nuremberg-style prosecution of Iraq's Saddam Hussein for war crimes against the people of Kuwait. The Justice Department is currently reviewing that option.

Iraq is dismissing reports it is weakening and considering a plan in which Iraqi troops would withdraw from Kuwait. Baghdad Radio quotes the Iraqi information minister as saying he believes war in the Persian Gulf ''continues to be imminent, but Iraq will NOT fire the first shot.''

Muscovites reacted with indifference and even with hostility today to news of Soviet President Gorbachev's winning the Nobel Peace Prize. One man, a historian, says the award ''may have been untimely and may even compromise him in the eyes of the people.''

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(OCT. 15) UPI - The World Health Organization says tuberculosis is again on the rise... killing nearly three-Million people worldwide yearly. Officials say progress against T-B has ''come to an abrupt halt'' in some industrial countries such as the United States.

Leftist Peruvian rebels occupied the Lima headquarters of the Italian news agency ANSA today and forced a correspondent to transmit a revolutionary proclamation. The guerrillas then fled, saying they'd left a time bomb. Police deactivated the device.

New York fire marshals say last night's blaze at the Lebanese consulate in Manhattan was arson. One Lebanese employee and five firefighters were injured in the fire, which followed several telephone threats to the consulate.

Still NO trace of two federal wildlife biologists and their pilot whose plane vanished Thursday while tracking polar bears in the frozen Arctic north of Alaska. Coast Guard officials say the trio had survival gear and two-weeks' worth of food with them.

Authorities in La Canada Flintridge, California, have jailed a woman and her 11-year-old son in the slaying of the boy's 78-year-old grandmother. Police say the woman was wearing camouflage fatigues and the boy was dressed as a girl when they were arrested last night.

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#90288u2696 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 15) UPI - President Bush used a little more caution today in discussing the budget after last week's fiasco caused by his apparent flip-flop on taxes. Bush told reporters in Washington he wasn't prepared to discuss what he would or wouldN'T accept concerning taxes in a budget plan. The president would only

say the budget question was before the Congress and he'd take at look at what they produce.

Kuwaiti exiles are demanding the return of their homeland from Iraqi invaders. The demand was included in a communique unanimously adopted today by Kuwaitis meeting in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. The document also declares there will be more democratic freedoms in Kuwait once it is liberated from Iraq. The 20-point communique stopped short of demanding Iraq be forced out of Kuwait.

The Supreme Court today agreed to hear an appeal in the case of a man sentenced to death in Idaho despite assurances from a prosecutor that he would receive a maximum sentence of life in prison. Bryan Lankford and his brother, Mark, were convicted of the 1983 beating death of a couple. The state had notified the trial court in writing that the death penalty would NOT be sought in the case.

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#90288u2701 10/15/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 15) UPI - A former radical who pleaded guilty to planting bombs in three banks in the early 1970's won a reduction in his prison term today-thanks to a judge and government prosecutors in San Francisco. The federal Parole Commission had refused to grant Ronald Kaufman parole this year as recommended in his 1987 plea bargain. But authorities allowed Kaufman to withdraw his guilty plea and be resentenced... meaning he'll be released in about eight months.

Buyers from across North America are making off with goods they bought at a multi-Million-dollar auction by Exxon. There's one more day to go in the four-day event to sell off goods used during the oil company's cleanup of the Exxon Valdez oil spill off the Alaskan coast. Auction officials in Anchorage say the operation already has exceeded all expectations. The final day of the auction comes next month in Tacoma, Washington.

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#90289b0006 10/16/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Coast Distribution System (ASE:CRV) Tuesday reported its financial results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

Sales for the third quarter were $37,641,000 in 1990, a 3 percent increase over the like period in 1989. The company incurred a net loss of $187,000, or 4 cents per share, as compared to earnings of $1,539,000, or 35 cents per share, in 1989.

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 11 percent to $120,640,000 from $108,576,000 in 1989. Net earnings were $1,105,000, or 26

cents per share, in 1990, and $3,732,000, or 80 cents per share, in 1989.

The increase in the company's sales was attributable to the acquisitions, made in September of 1989 and January 1990, of Griffin Marine, a distributor of marine parts and accessories, and Mohawk Trailer Supply, a distributor of recreational vehicle parts and accessories.

In conjunction with these acquisitions, the company added a 14th distribution center and increased its overall operating costs to accommodate the increase in sales.

Coast's sales and earnings have been adversely affected by the weakness in the recreational vehicle market and the significant sales decline in the marine industry.

The company has embarked upon a cost-cutting program in an effort to reduce the impact on earnings that has resulted from the significant sales decline in the primary marketplace.

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     #90289b0016 10/16/1990 ~Business Wire
MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Paravax Inc., a company specializing in the development of vaccines to control parasites in pets and other animals, has signed a research and development and licensing agreement with Mobay Corp. Animal Health Division.

Mobay, a subsidiary of Bayer USA Inc., the management holding company of Bayer AG, is a worldwide leader in the animal health market.

The Paravax-Mobay agreement concerns development of a cat vaccine against Toxoplasma gondii, one of the most common protozoan infections of man and domestic animals. As many as 500 million people worldwide may be infected with Toxoplasma. The disease it causes, toxoplasmosis, can be fatal in immune-compromised individuals.

In pregnant women, infections can cause miscarriages and severe fetal abnormalities. Toxoplasmosis is also a major cause of spontaneous abortions in sheep and goats.

Cats are a major source of Toxoplasma. Although the animals themselves suffer relatively few effects from the parasite, they can pass the infection to humans and farm animals through contact with cat feces or contaminated soil.

Currently, more than 54 million cats are kept as household pets in the United

States. Of these, 12 million receive vaccines annually for such diseases as rabies and distemper. The collaboration between Paravax and Mobay will focus on the development and formulation of a vaccine that will reduce shedding of the highly infectious Toxoplasma oocysts (eggs) in cat feces.

The new cat vaccine technology is based on work performed at the University of Kansas Medical Center and Dartmouth College. Under terms of the agreement, Mobay will produce and market the vaccine worldwide.

Paravax Inc. was founded in March 1988 to develop products for the prevention and control of parasitic diseases in animals. Using the tools of biotechnology, Paravax Inc., takes a novel, immunological approach to the science of animal health.

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SAN JOSE, Calif. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Compression Labs Inc. (CLI)(NASDAQ/NMS:CLIX), Tuesday reported revenue for the third quarter, ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $13.5 million, an increase of 87 percent from the like quarter last year.

Net income for the third quarter increased 287 percent to 673,000, or 7 cents per share, compared with $174,000, or 2 cents per share in the like period of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 73 percent to $35 million, compared with 20.2 million for the like period a year ago. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 increased 217 percent to $1,369,000, or 14 cents per share, up from $432,000, or 5 cents per share in the like period of 1989.

John E., Tyson, president, chief executive officer and chairman of the board, attributed the revenue growth to the fulfillment of orders from large contracts the company has received over the last 18 months, and orders from new customers added during the quarter.

''Contracts with Hewlett Packard, General Electric, IBM, Telecom Australia, and Boeing, as well as resellers AT&T, U.S. Sprint, Sony and Philips, continue to fuel our growth,'' said Tyson.

CLI's product backlog continued to grow during the third quarter, increasing

12 percent over the previous quarter to $17.8 million. The company's total backlog, including research and development contracts, reached $25.5 million during the quarter.

During the quarter, the company added a variety of new customers including RJR/Nabisco; the U.S. Department of Justice; FocusVision Network Inc., a provider of remote focus group services; and the U.S. Army's training and Doctrine Command, for its new reservist video teletraining network.

CLI, founded in 1976, is the world leader in full-motion, color videoconferencing systems for use by business, government and education.

CLI is a full service provider of videoconferencing solutions, including room systems, codecs and multipoint units. Considered an effective communications tool for innovative organizations around the world, videoconferencing has emerged as a strategic resource for competing successfully in the 1990s. -0- T

Compression Labs Inc.
Summary of Revenues and Earnings
(In thousands, except per-share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$13,537	$ 7,255	$34,976	$20,223
Net income	$ 673	$ 174	$ 1,369	$ 432
Net income per share	7 cents	2 cents	14 cents	5 cents
Average shares outstanding	9,900	9,079	9,823	8,648

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#90289b0019 10/16/1990 ~Business Wire

SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Supertex Inc. (NASDAQ:SUPX) Tuesday announced a 16 percent increase in net sales to $6,245,000 for the second quarter ended Sept. 29, from $5,404,000 for the like fiscal quarter last year.

Net income was $792,000, or 7 cents per share, compared with $911,000, or 7 cents per share, for the like period of the prior fiscal year. Higher income in the prior year resulted primarily from the inclusion of pretax income of $300,000 from the sale of an investment in a flat panel display company.

For the six months ended Sept. 29, net sales were $12,229,000, a 15 percent increase from $10,611,000, while net income fell 10 percent from $1,657,000 to $1,498,000 for the like period last year.

Research and development activities and related expenditures continued at an even higher level than the prior quarter of this year, and almost doubled from the like period last year. This increase is primarily for the development of new products. Compared with the like period of last year, R&D expenditures increased 91 percent from $427,000 to $814,000.

As the company's product mix shifts to proprietary high-voltage products, and foundry business declines, contract assembly and product testing costs increased significantly.

However, gross margins for the second quarter, as a percentage of net sales, increased as compared to the like period of last year as well as the prior quarter. This is due to the sales of higher-margin proprietary products, which is in line with the company's business strategy.

''As the semiconductor industry appears to be going into a recession, we may expect some revenue decrease as a result. However, due to the types of markets we serve, our margins should not be adversely affected,'' commented Dr. Henry C. Pao, president and chief executive officer.

''With good cash flow, we are not afraid to invest heavily in research and development for new products.''

Supertex Inc. is a publicly held, specialty semiconductor manufacturer focused on CMOS, DMOS, and HVCMOS technologies for use in the data processing, telecommunications, instrumentation, and defense industries. The quotation symbol for Supertex Inc., listed on the NASDAQ National Market System, is SUPX.

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ALBANY, OR (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Oregon Metallurgical Corp. (OREMET Titanium) announced Tuesday that it earned $2,340,000, or 22 cents per share, on sales of $23,946,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In 1989, third quarter earnings were $3,329,000, or 36 cents per share, on sales of $30,062,000.

For the first nine months of 1990, earnings were $7,247,000, or 69 cents per share, on sales of $73,271,000. This compares with earnings of $9,749,000, or $1.05 per share, on sales of $86,971,000 for the first nine months of 1989. The reduced earnings per share reflects the increased number of shares outstanding following the stock offering completed in late 1989.

Last year's nine months' earnings were further increased by $12,412,000, or $1.33 per share, interest income from state and federal income tax refunds and $1,157,000, or 12 cents per share, from the cumulative effect of a change in accounting for income taxes for a total of $2.50 per share.

Several factors continue to influence demand for titanium. Cooling in the national economy and cutbacks in military spending have prompted customers to reduce inventories resulting in slowing sales. Uncertainty in the Middle East has dampened growth plans for some industrial customers. We see no immediate relief from the present business climate.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Bank (OTC:UBNK) reported net income of $37.3 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, up from $35.6 million for the comparable period in 1989.

Earnings per common share were $1.08, up from $1.05 a year earlier.

The bank reported a return on assets of 0.92 percent, compared with 0.96 percent in the third quarter of 1989. Its return on common equity was 16.28 percent, down from 17.59 percent.

Total loans rose to $12.4 billion from $11.2 billion, spurring a 3.7 percent increase in net interest income, although the net interest margin continued to be squeezed by reduced demand deposits. Total deposits increased to $11.5 billion from $11.2 billion. Total assets rose to $16.7 billion from $15.8 billion a year ago.

Nonperforming loans increased to $255.1 million from $249.7 million at June 30 1990, and $228.3 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Nonperforming assets fell slightly to $271 million from $273.8 million at June 30, 1990, but rose from $242.1 million a year earlier.

Nonperforming assets represented 1.62 percent of total assets, down from 1.72 percent at June 30, 1990, but up from 1.53 percent at Sept. 30, 1989. Nonperforming construction loans and other real estate owned increased to $105.8 million from $89.1 million at June 30, 1990, and $90.3 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

This rise was offset by reductions in nonperforming commercial and foreign loans.

At quarter end, the bank's reserve for loan losses was $308.9 million,

comparable to the $309.4 million on the books at Sept. 30, 1989. The reserve was 2.48 percent of loans and 121.1 percent of nonperforming loans at Sept. 30 1990, down from 2.77 percent and 135.5 percent a year earlier. The decrease is primarily due to the writedowns of all loans to lesser developed countries, some of which were on performing status, to market value.

Net charge-offs for the quarter were $20.8 million, including $13.2 million in foreign loans. Charge-offs were $25.9 million in the third quarter of 1989.

During the quarter, the bank issued a $98 million capital note, bolstering its capital position. The bank's primary and total capital ratios were 8.03 percent and 10.01 percent at the end of the quarter.

At the September meeting of the board of directors, President Seishichi Itoh announced that he plans to return to the Bank of Tokyo for reassignment at the end of October. Taisuke Shimizu, vice chairman and chief financial officer, is expected to be elected as president and chief executive officer at the Oct. 24 board meeting.

Shimizu has wide ranging experience with the Bank of Tokyo and was a key member of the management team that oversaw the November 1988 merger of California First Bank, San Francisco, and Union Bank, Los Angeles.

The fifth largest commercial bank in California, Union Bank has 177 branches throughout the state and five facilities overseas.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The upward trend of revenues and profits continued for La Petite Academy in the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

Net earnings in the three months ending Sept. 30 were $1,527,000, equal to 10 cents a share, compared to $1,243,000, or 8 cents a share, a year earlier, a gain of 22.9 percent. Revenues amounted to $49,291,000, compared to $42,819,000 a year ago, an increase of 15.1 percent. The operating margin improved to 5.4 percent compared to 5.2 percent for the same quarter last year.

For the nine months ending Sept. 30 net income was $6,708,000, equal to 42 cents a share, against $5,349,000, or 34 cents a share, a year before, or a gain of 25.4 percent. Revenues of $150,225,000 were 17.2 percent ahead of the $128,161,000 total a year earlier. Expenses as a percentage of revenue decreased to 92.2 percent from 92.7 percent a year before, equaling an

operating margin of 7.8 percent compared to 7.3 percent.

As of Sept. 30, La Petite had an enrollment of about 81,000 children in its 739 centers located in 32 states. In the nine months, 31 new schools were opened and 19 olders units which did not meet volume and profit levels were closed. The current plans call for the opening of 50 centers in 1990.

Capital requirements for this year will total approximately $40 million, the bulk of which will stem from sale/leaseback financing. La Petite remains in a strong financial position with no bank debt, cash of $17.5 million and stockholders' equity of $79.2 million.

La Petite Academy
Financial Highlights

	Quarter Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues:	$ 49,291,000	$ 42,819,000
Net income	1,527,000	1,243,000
Average shares	15,902,343	15,886,953
Earnings per share	.10	.08

	Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$150,225,000	$128,161,000
Net income	6,708,000	5,349,000
Average shares	15,899,799	15,882,466
Earnings per share	.42	.34

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SANTA MONICA, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - INTERACTIVE Systems Corp. and Lotus Development Corp. have signed a long-term agreement under which INTERACTIVE will market the UNIX System V, Release 3.2 version of Lotus' popular 1-2-3 spreadsheet through its distributors and authorized value-added resellers (VARs).

Under the terms of the agreement, Lotus provides end user support for Lotus 1-2-3 users, including 90 days of free access to its Prompt Support Line. To run this version of 1-2-3, end users must have a 386/486-based Compaq, IBM or IBM-compatible personal computer with 4 megabytes of RAM and 5 megabytes of free disk space, as well as the INTERACTIVE UNIX System V, Release 3.2 operating system.

Lotus 1-2-3 for UNIX System V is functionally compatible with Lotus 1-2-3,

Release 3.1 and completely file-, macro- and keystroke-compatible with earlier versions. With earlier versions, key features include improved data-analysis capabilities and graphics, a relational database, file-reservation features, and a facility for three-dimensional modeling.

Three-dimensional modeling has proven to be a particularly useful way to visualize the interaction between spreadsheet data from multiple company divisions or government agencies.

The UNIX System V version of 1-2-3 uses the standard .WK3 file format to assure compatibility with many platforms. The open systems orientation is also inherent in UNIX, in the form of support for cross-platform file and data sharing, networking, multitasking and multiple users.

Running under INTERACTIVE UNIX System V, Release 3.2, the power of 1-2-3 is enhanced, giving end-users the ability to open up to 26 worksheets at one time run multiple sessions simultaneously and perform program background processing.

The product also allows users to access outside databases via Lotus' DataLens technology.

Lotus 1-2-3 for UNIX System V is available in four editions: Single-user, Additional-user, Multi-user and Documentation. The Single-user Edition is priced at $695. The Multi-user Edition, $1,295, is designed for installation on a 386 PC server, and provides an efficient way for up to 10 attached terminal users to share software.

The Additional-user Edition, $495, contains one set of documentation and licenses for four additional users in a multiuser configuration. The Documentation Edition, $60, provides a complete user documentation set.

Lotus Development Corp. is a leading developer of applications software for personal computers and information services delivered on CD-ROM, and worldwide supplier of applications software for workstation, minicomputer and mainframe computing environments.

Segue Software Inc., founded in November 1988 by Dr. Peter G. Weiner, a recognized industry pioneer and expert, is the first company dedicated to bringing standard industry software from DOS to UNIX. The privately financed company is located in Santa Monica.

INTERACTIVE Systems Corp., a Kodak company, is the premier supplier of UNIX products and development services to the computer industry, and is gaining leadership in the commercial UNIX marketplace.

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PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Louisiana-Pacific Corp. (NYSE:LPX) Tuesday reported that both sales and earnings in the third quarter were lower than the record third-quarter results the company achieved in 1989.

The company reported quarterly earnings of $21.2 million on sales of $450.9 million. This compares with 1989 third-quarter earnings of $51.5 million on sales of $510.1 million. On a per-share basis, the company earned 57 cents in the third quarter of this year, compared with $1.34 in the same quarter in 1989.

''Our building products business was hit across the board by a drop in demand, as world and national events took their toll on consumer confidence,'' according to Harry A. Merlo, Louisiana-Pacific's chairman and president. ''Worldwide pulp markets also continued their decline from the record levels of 1989.''

For the first nine months of the year, L-P earned $95 million, or $2.54 per share, on sales of $1.4 billion. This compares with 1989's record nine-month earnings of $139.8 million, or $3.66 per share, on sales of $1.5 billion.

Merlo said that weak demand will continue until the President and Congress take more positive steps to address the continuing budget crisis and its negative effect on consumer and investor confidence. Meanwhile, supply constraints caused by timber shortages, could improve the pricing outlook for building products early next year.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The battle for consumer allegiance among bank customers shifted from the tellers' counter to the skies as Coast Federal Bank Tuesday announced a major new program to attract customers.

Coast said that customers who conduct one of six qualifying transactions can receive two travel certificates good for reduced fare, roundtrip travel on Northwest Airlines, the nation's fourth largest air carrier.

The discounted fare is $124 one way, based on roundtrip purchase ($89 to/from California and Seattle or Spokane).

Coast Federal, with assets of nearly $11 billion and 120 offices statewide,

said that customers can qualify for the discounted airfare by opening or adding to a checking or savings account, opening or renewing a certificate account, taking out a home loan or arranging for electronic payment of loans every month.

Gerald D. Barrone, president and chief operating officer, explained that the new program is intended to appeal to new customers as well as existing Coast customers by providing a valuable incentive to do business with the Los Angeles-based consumer bank.

Barrone noted that travel is one of the major interests of Coast's primary customer group (adults age 55 and over) and that the Northwest offer provides one of the most attractive fares of any major airline.

Under the Coast Northwest Travel Certificate program, retail bank customers can order certificates in any Coast office after completing a qualifying transaction and paying a $4 handling fee. Northwest will then mail them a certificate good for travel, which can be arranged through Coast's own travel program, any travel agent or the airline.

Northwest flies from seven California airports to nearly 200 destinations in the Continental United States and Alaska where customers can fly at the discounted rates.

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PASADENA, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Terry Wilson, president and executive director of the AAF Rose Bowl Aquatics Center, announced his intention to resign at the end of his two-year contract that expires on Dec. 31, 1990.

Wilson announced his plans at the monthly board of directors meeting held on Thursday.

In a prepared statement to the board, Wilson said, ''I feel that what I set out to accomplish...getting the center built and operating... is complete and that now is the time for me to move on to new challenges.''

Wilson will remain at the Aquatics Center until a replacement is found and will continue to serve on the board of directors to help provide a smooth transition for the new president.

''Over the last two years, Terry has worked long, grueling hours for the good of the complex,'' said John Naber, chairman of the board. ''He has given tirelessly of his skills and experience. Terry is personally responsible for

raising over a quarter million dollars and was instrumental in managing our transition from a vision to a reality. We look forward to his ongoing contributions as a board member,'' said Naber.

During Wilson's tenure as president, he oversaw the construction of the $6.5 million dollar multi-purpose swimming and diving complex and the initiation of team and recreational programs at the Center. Over 18,000 people came to swim at the two Olympic sized pools since its opening on June 25 of this year.

''In spite of the personal rewards of this job, I feel it is time for me to explore new opportunities and seek new challenges more in line with my long-term career goals and aspirations,'' said Wilson.

Wilson, 33, came to the Aquatics Center two years ago from Business Wire, an international press relations wire service, where he served as western division manager of BW SportsWire. Prior to joining Business Wire, Wilson worked with three international public relations firms: Carl Byoir & Associates, Daniel J. Edelman Inc. and Hill & Knowlton.

The Rose Bowl Aquatics Center board of directors, this community and future generations of Pasadenan's owes Terry Wilson their deepest appreciation in making this center a reality,'' said Nick Conway, vice chairman of the board.

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PALO ALTO, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Watkins-Johnson Co. (NYSE:WJ) Tuesday reported sales of $78,645,000 and net income of $3,561,000, or 47 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990, ended Sept. 28.

Sales, net income and earnings per share for the first three quarters of 1990 were $230,831,000, $9,581,000 and $1.22, respectively. Included in the company's 1990 results is a net gain of $514,000 or 6 cents per share, resulting from the settlement of a pricing dispute with the U.S. Government.

For the third quarter of 1989, net income amounted to $7,323,000, or 87 cents per share, on sales of $70,526,000. For the first three quarters of 1989, sales amounted to $233,571,000 and net income totaled $18,045,000 or $2.15 per share.

Net income for 1989 included an award of $2,858,000, or 34 cents per share, resulting from a judgment against the government of Iran.

As a result of the company's stock repurchase program, average shares outstanding for the first three quarters of 1990 were reduced to 7,885,327 from 8,402,770 in 1989.

Firm backlog on Sept. 28, 1990 stood at $252,371,000, compared to the Sept. 29 1989 backlog of $274,994,000. The portion of the current backlog shippable within 12 months is 83 percent, compared to 80 percent one year ago.

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DENVER (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Colorado National Bankshares Inc. (NASDAQ:COLC) announced Tuesday net income of $1,198,000, or 11 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990, compared to $849,000, or 7 cents per share, in the third quarter last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company earned $3,985,000, or 36 cents per share, compared to $3,770,000, or 34 cents per share, for the same period a year ago.

Will F. Nicholson, Jr., chairman of the board and president, commented: ''We are pleased with the substantial improvement in our interest margin -- total interest income less total interest expense -- in both the third quarter and the first nine months. During the current quarter, the margin was up $3.6 million (12.6 percent) from the like period of 1989, while for the first nine months it was up $10 million (11.5 percent) as compared to the first nine months of 1989.''

Nicholson further commented, ''Colorado's depressed commercial real estate market persists as our number one problem. Although declining commercial real esate values is a recent development for banks in many areas of the country, Colorado's banks have operated in that environment for several years.

''Unfortunately, we cannot yet determine that commercial real estate values have hit bottom in this state. Uncertainties surrounding the real estate market continue to restrain the slowly developing recovery of the Colorado economy.''

Credit charges, a figure which includes the provision for loan losses plus net expenses of foreclosed property, reflected the softness of the Colorado real estate market. During the most recent quarter, such charges were $16.6 million, up 46 percent from the $11.3 million recorded in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990 credit charges totaled $44.3 million, up

$18.3 million (70 percent) from the $26 million recorded in 1989. The increased credit charges resulted in the company incurring pre-tax losses for the third quarter and for the first nine months of 1990.

Colorado National Bankshares Inc., is a Denver-based bank holding company which owns 21 commercial banks, an insurance agency, a mortgage company and a leasing company. It is also manager and 50 percent owner of Rocky Mountain BankCard System Inc., a national credit card issuer and one of the largest processors of credit card transactions in the country.

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CUYAHOGA FALLS, OH (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Falls Financial Inc. (NASDAQ:FFII) (Falls) Tuesday reported third quarter 1990 net income of $663,000, or 42 cents per share as compared to $391,000 for the like period in 1989.

Gene Stalnaker, president and chief operating officer of Falls reported that net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30 increased 32.3 percent to $2.0 million, or $1.29 per share, as compared to $1.5 million for the like period in 1989. Earnings per share are not presented for 1989 as the company completed its common stock offering on Dec. 11, 1989.

Falls' ratio of stockholders equity to total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, is 12.23 percent, as compared to 12.34 percent at Dec. 31, 1989. In reporting the company's results, Howard W. Atwood, chairman and chief executive officer noted that Falls is prudently deploying its capital raised in the public offering in order to gain better economies of scale. Falls Financial Inc.'s common stock is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ''FFII.'' Its subsidiary, Falls Sasvings Bank, FSB, operates 11 retail banking offices in Summit and Portage Counties.

Summary of Consolidated Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

Income Statement Highlights	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1989	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1989
Total interest income	$ 7,563	$ 6,902	$22,180	$20,166
Total interest expense	5,063	5,115	14,736	14,499
Net interest income	2,500	1,787	7,444	5,667
Provision for losses on loans	32	5	88	47
Net interest income after				

provision for losses on loans	2,468	1,782	7,356	5,620
Non-interest income	104	102	306	425
	2,572	1,884	7,662	6,045
Non-interest expense	1,630	1,330	4,690	3,865
Income before federal income taxes	942	554	2,972	2,180
Federal income taxes	279	163	924	632
Net income	$ 663	$ 391	$ 2,048	$ 1,548
Earnings per share	42 cents	N/A(a)	$ 1.29	N/A(a)

Note (a): Falls Financial Inc. converted to a stock company.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Transamerica Income Shares Inc. Tuesday reported unaudited net income of $2,818,091 or 54 cents per share for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Earnings for the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $5,645,379, or $1.07 per share.

The company also declared an 18 cents-per-share monthly income dividend payable on Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 31, 1990. The company's current annual dividend rate is $2.16 -- paid in monthly dividends of 18 cents per share. The company invests primarily in fixed income debt securities.

Transamerica Income Shares
Financial Highlights

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1989
Total net income	$2,818,091	$2,886,878
Per-share earnings	54 cents	55 cents

	Six Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Six Months Ended Sept. 30, 1989
Total net income	$5,645,379	$5,773,524
Per-share earnings	1.07	1.10

ASSETS

Total net assets -- Sept. 30, 1990 $116,048,045

Total net assets -- Sept. 30, 1989	$121,026,916
Net asset value per share -- Sept. 30, 1990	$22.04
Net asset value per share -- Sept. 30, 1989	$22.98
Shares outstanding -- Sept. 30, 1990 (and all prior periods)	5,265,643

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PHOENIX (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Stratford American Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:STRC) Tuesday announced they have entered into an agreement to acquire, subject to certain conditions, a company in the audio-cassette publishing business which markets educational products on a worldwide basis.

It is anticipated that all conditions will be assessed within 45 days.

David Eaton, chairman, stated ''The company's Oct. 4, 1990, announcement regarding the disposition of its major industrial real estate, positions the company to move forward with other acquisitions similar to this.''

Stratford American Corp. also holds interests in oil and gas wells in Oklahoma and Texas and commercial real estate primarily in Arizona.

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SAN MARCOS, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Amistar Corp. (OTC:AMTA) Tuesday announced sales and earnings for the three months and the nine months ended Sept. 30.

Net sales for the three months ended Sept. 30 were $4,278,000, as compared with $3,694,000 for the third quarter in 1989. Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $11,781,000, as compared with $14,109,000 for the like period of 1989.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $141,000, or 4 cents per share, based on 3,187,500 shares outstanding, as compared with a net loss of $884,000 or 26 cents per share, based on 3,437,500 shares outstanding, for the third quarter of 1989.

Net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $256,000, or 8 cents per share, based on 3,187,500 shares outstanding, as compared with a net loss of $731,000

or 21 cents per share, based on 3,437,500 shares outstanding, for the first nine months of 1989.

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REDONDO BEACH, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - TRW has added Westinghouse Electric Corp.'s Advanced Technology Division (Linthicum, Md.) to its MIMIC team, Dr. Marvin S. Stone, vice president and general manager of the Electronics & Technology Division, the TRW unit responsible for the company's role on the MIMIC program, announced Tuesday.

Preparations are underway for TRW's MIMIC team, currently working on MIMIC Phase 1, to compete for a Phase 2 contract expected to be awarded by the Department of Defense (DoD) in 1991. MIMIC, short for Millimeter/Microwave Monolithic Integrated Circuits, is DoD's premiere manufacturing technology development program for advanced gallium arsenide integrated circuits.

The goal of the MIMIC program is to form an industrial base for the affordable manufacture of gallium arsenide integrated circuits operating in the microwave and millimeter wave frequency ranges. An important MIMIC priority is to shrink these circuits to chips operating as part of very compact modules. Uses for MIMIC chips and modules include spacecraft, aircraft and small diameter smart munitions.

The MIMIC program is sponsored by DoD's Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency. The TRW team's progress is monitored by the U.S. Army Laboratory Command's Electronics Technology and Devices Laboratory, Fort Monmonth, N.J.

Westinghouse's Advanced Technology Division is a multidiscipline organization with research, development and production activities in gallium arsenide, silicon, imaging and optical technologies for a broad range of military applications. It is part of the Electronic Systems Group of Westinghouse Electric Corp., which brings several near-term MIMIC insertions to the team.

The Electronics & Technology Division is part of TRW's Electronic Systems Group.

The business and technical strengths of TRW's Electronic Systems Group include the management of a wide range of research, development and application tasks, projects and programs; systems engineering for complex electronic applications; advanced digital signal processing; the design and fabrication of sophisticated microelectronic devices in both silicon and gallium arsenide (such as the MIMIC program); and, primarily, design and fabrication of payloads for a wide range of military, civil and scientific spacecraft.

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OAKLAND, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Golden West Financial Corp., (NYSE/PSE/MSE:GDW), parent of World Savings and Loan Association, announced Tuesday that reported earnings, or income from all sources, amounted to $43 million, or 68 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990, a 3 percent increase over the $42 million, or 66 cents per share, posted for the like three months in 1989.

Core earnings, or profits from the company's basic business activities, totaled $41 million, or 65 cents per share, a 10 percent improvement over the $37 million, or 59 cents per share, for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The company also announced that reported earnings for the first nine months of 1990 reached $139 million, or $2.21 per share, up from the $117 million, or $1.86 per share, recorded in the like period of 1989. Concurrently, core income increased to $130 million, or $2.07 per share, compared with $106 million, or $1.68 per share, for the first three quarters of 1989.

Not including any of Golden West's 1990 acquisitions, the company's balance increase for the first nine month of this year was 22 percent more than for the first three quarters of last year.

At the same time, the Association's regulatory risk-based capital ratio was more than twice the 6.4 percent requirement.

Golden West is a savings and loan holding company with assets in excess of $21 billion. The company's principal subsidiary, World Savings and Loan Association, headquarterd in Oakland, Calif., currently has 113 authorized offices in that state, 65 in Colorado, 10 in Kansas, 7 in Texas and 6 in New Jersey.

A separate subsidiary, World Savings and Loan Association of Ohio, conducts business through eight facilities, while a third subsidiary, World Savings and Loan Association of America, located in the state of Washington, operates two branches in the Seattle area. With a total of 211 offices, the Golden West system comprises one of the largest multi-state branch networks in the country.

The company's stock is listed on the New York, Pacific and Midwest Stock Exchanges under the ticker symbol GDW. Options on Golden West's stock are traded on the Philadelphia Options Exchange.

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SAN BRUNO, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - National Insurance Group (NASDAQ:NMS:NAIG) Tuesday announced that it plans to begin a stock repurchase program whereby up to 500,000 shares of its common stock may be purchased from time to time in the open market.

Volpe, Welty & Co. has been designated as the company's exclusive agent in connection with the Stock Repurchase Program. Mark A. Speizer, chairman, announced that the decision was made in view of the current low price at which the company's stock is trading, and further that ''we believe that the true value of the Company is not reflected in the current market price of its stock. The Company has a strong cash position and will finance the purchase of stock with cash.'' Speizer also noted that except for reissuances in connection with employee stock programs, there are no other specific plans for shares which might be purchased.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Medco Research Inc. (NASDAQ:MEDR) (BSE:MRE.B) Tuesday announced that its new drug MEDR 640 (adenosine) was found to be effective in limiting reperfusion injury in the dog model of heart attacks.

Researchers at Vanderbilt University are scheduled to present their findings at the 63rd Scientific Sessions of the American Heart Association (AHA) to be held Nov. 12-15 in Dallas.

An abstract of their presentation appears in a recent issue of CIRCULATION 1990; 82:III-263. These investigators found that ''intravenous adenosine administered after reperfusion results in a permanent reduction in myocardial reperfusion injury. Adjunctive therapy with adenosine may enhance myocardial salvage in the setting of thrombolysis and acute myocardial infarction.''

In addition to this abstract, the Vanderbilt researchers recently published a related article (Babbott DH, et al., ''Intracoronary adenosine administration during reperfusion following 3 hours of ischemia: effect on infarct size, ventricular function, and regional myocardial blood flow.''(AM HEART J 1990; 120:808-818).

Previously, these investigators published that adenosine limits myocardial reperfusion injury after 90 and 120 minutes of coronary occlusion in the dog model (e.g., Olafsson B, et al., ''Reduction of reperfusion injury in the canine preparation by intracoronary adenosine: importance of endothelium and the no-reflow phenomenon.'' CIRCULATION 1987; 76:1135)

In the latest study they found that ''myocardial salvage cannot be achieved with intracoronary adenosine after 180 minutes of coronary occlusion in the closed chest canine model.'' In view of the previous positive findings by the Vanderbilt investigators and others, this experiment suggests that, like thrombolytic therapy, effective treatment of reperfusion injury will require early intervention.

On the basis of these and other data, Medco has scheduled next month to commence clinical trials to investigate the safety and efficacy of MEDR 640 as an adjunct to thrombolytic therapy in patients with acute myocardial infarction. Mervyn B. Forman, M.D., Ph.D., Associate Professor of Medicine at Vanderbilt University and Principal Investigator of the Vanderbilt studies has served as a consultant to and assisted Medco with the MEDR 640 project.

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SAN RAFAEL, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Westamerica Bancorp. (ASE:WAB), parent company of Westamerica Bank, Tuesday reported record third quarter net income of $2.9 million or 56 cents per share.

This represents a 44 percent improvement over third quarter 1989 earnings of $2.0 million or 39 cents per share and the seventh successive quarter earnings increases. For the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, the company earned a record $7.9 million or $1.51 per share. This compares to $5.1 million or $1.00 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

According to David L. Payne, Westamerica's chairman, president and chief executive officer, ''the quarterly and year-to-date results benefited from growth in net interest income and effective expense control.''

Payne indicated that while the bank was pleased with third quarter results, loan demand and deposit growth were sluggish. He stated the bank intends to remain cautious in credit origination and will not relax its underwriting standards.

Return on average assets was .85 percent and return on common equity was 15.2 percent in the third quarter of 1990 compared with .62 percent and 11.9 percent, respectively, a year ago.

Net loan chargeoffs for the third quarter were $942,000 or 0.41 percent of average loans. The loan loss provision was maintained at $1.2 million, the same as the previous and year ago quarters. At Sept. 30, 1990, Westamerica's allowance for loan losses equaled $12.3 million or 1.37 percent of loans compared to $11.3 million or 1.24 percent of loans a year ago.

Non performing assets were $15.9 million at Sept. 30, 1990, up from $13.9 million at June 30, 1990 and $15.7 million a year ago. The annual regulatory examination of Westameria's loan portfolio is in process. Third quarter results reflect current adjustments. Additional adjustments to non performing assets may occur in the fourth quarter following completion of the examination.

Net interest income on a fully taxable equivalent basis increased to $15.9 million in the current 1990 quarter compared with $15.2 million in the like 1989 quarter and $15.7 million in the second quarter of 1990. The net interest margin was 5.17 percent for the third quarter of 1990 compared to 5.11 percent in the previous quarter and 5.22 percent in the year ago quarter.

Non-interest income in the third quarter of 1990 was $3.7 millon, up 10 percent from the year ago quarter. Higher loan servicing and deposit account fees accounted for most of the increase.

Non-interest expense in the third quarter of 1990 declined to $13.7 million, down $462,000 or 3 percent from the year earlier quarter. The decrease reflects reduction of personnel expenses and other operating costs.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $1.36 billion, an increase of 2 percent from a year ago. Deposits at Sept. 30, 1990 were $1.19 billion compared to $1.20 billion a year ago.

Reflecting the slow growth in the economy, total loans were $899 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $911 million a year ago, a decrease of 1 percent. As single family real estate and consumer installment loans increased over the last year, commercial and construction loans decreased by a greater amount.

Total equity capital on Sept. 30, 1990 was $76.8 million, an increase of 13 percent over Sept. 30, 1989. The capital ratio of equity to total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 was 5.67 percent compared to 5.15 percent a year ago. Capital ratios significantly exceeded regulatory requirements.

Westamerica Bank is a regional community bank with 33 offices located in Marin Sonoma, San Francisco, Contra Costa, Mendocino, Nevada, Sacramento and Solano Counties.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Merit Medical Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:MMSI;MMSIU;MMSIW) sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $1,200,999 compared with $311,538 for the third quarter of 1989.

The 285 percent increase was due to increased sales of the Merit IntelliSystem as well as increased sales for our Control Syringes.

Sales for the nine month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, were $2,731,268 compared to $968,042 for the comparable year ago period.

A quarterly profit of $56,370 was realized compared with a loss of $136,946 for the year ago period. Nine months results were a loss of $29,399 compared with a loss of $294,051 for the year ago comparable.

Gross margins for the quarter were 50 percent. We anticipate continued products is underway with two new products to be introduced by year end.

I am pleased to announce that Philip Triolo, Ph.D. has recently been appointed director of engineering and brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise in biopolymers, an important component of all our products. We have already felt his presence with the preparation of two new patent applications which have been developed along with William Padilla and Arlin Nelson, two of our inues to be the case. Our vision of building a premier company is being realized by the hard work of many quality employees and the support of our shareholders.

We are looking forward to reporting year-end results and 1991 expectations in our next report.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Pacific Corp. Tuesday announced a regular quarterly dividend of 63 cents per share on its common stock, unchanged from the prior quarter.

The dividend will be payable on Nov. 20, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 30, 1990.

Security Pacific, with assets of more than $88 billion, is the fifth largest bank holding company in the nation.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - VLSI Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:VLSI) reported net revenues of $75.4 million for the third quarter ending Sept. 29, 1990, down 2 percent from the corresponding quarter a year ago and down 11 percent from the previous quarter.

There was a net loss for the quarter of $18.8 million, or 77 cents per share, vs. revenues of $77.1 million and net income of $3.3 million, or 14 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989. Operating results showed a loss of $19.5 million, as compared with a profit of $4.6 million in the corresponding quarter a year ago.

Included in the current quarter operating loss was a pre-tax charge of $12.75 million in conjunction with the company's exit from the memory product business. The charge includes severance costs, inventory and fixed-asset write-downs and other costs of restructuring.

Alfred J. Stein, chairman and and chief executive officer, said: ''Three factors affected our operating results in the third quarter.

''As previously communicated on Aug. 27, we announced we were exiting the memory business because of continued losses in that business, the extremely competitive nature of the memory marketplace in general, high manufacturing start-up costs and costly ongoing research and development expenditures associated with the business.

''Next, we also stated the company was seeing a dramatic softening in market demand worldwide for our older established chip sets used in '286-based personal computers.

''In the Far East markets, a combination of customer push-outs and increased price pressures on the older chip sets eroded revenues and profit margins. Having a lesser impact but certainly a performance factor was a downturn in software sales that occurred in this quarter.

VLSI Technology Inc. produces application-specific integrated circuits, application-specific standard products, and the software used in the design of these products. The company, which is based in San Jose, has approximately 2,000 employees worldwide.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - First Security Corp. (OTC/NASDAQ:FSCO) will acquire the Ogden, Utah deposits of MountainWest Financial under an agreement signed Tuesday.

The acquisition is subject to the approval of the appropriate regulatory agencies.

Spencer F. Eccles, First Security Corp.'s chairman and chief executive officer and David C. Richard, MountainWest Financial's president and chief operating officer, made the joint announcement.

Eccles said that MountainWest's Ogden deposits will be combined with First Security Bank of Utah, which currently operates 93 offices in 52 communities statewide. MountainWest Financial currently operates three offices in the Ogden area with deposits of $33 million.

''Because approval of the sale is pending by the appropriate regulatory agencies, an exact date the transaction will be completed is not known,'' said Richard. ''It is anticipated that completion of the transaction could take place by year-end.''

''In the meantime,'' Richard said, ''our customers will continue to find business conducted as usual with no disruption of quality service at MountainWest offices. Normal business hours will be observed, and the offices will continue to operate as they have in the past.''

Eccles said: ''This will be another important acquisition for First Security. We have announced four acquisitions in Utah in less than a year to extend our coverage of certain strategic markets in the state.''

First Security Corp. is the largest financial services organization headquartered in the Intermountain West. It is the oldest continuously operating multi-state bank holding company in the United States.

First Security operates 183 full-service banking offices in Utah, Idaho, Oregon and Wyoming. Other subsidiaries include a leasing company, two insurance companies, an investment management firm and a discount brokerage.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Great Western Financial Corp. Tuesday reported third-quarter 1990 earnings of $37 million, or 29 cents per share, compared with $68.4 million, or 52 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

Third-quarter earnings were reduced by a real estate loan loss reserve totalling $85 million, compared with $28 million in the 1989 third quarter.

For the nine months, net earnings were $189 million, or $1.47 per share, compared with $177 million, or $1.37 per share, for the same period of 1989.

The company said that its level of non-performing assets remains essentially unchanged from the year-earlier quarter, despite continued deterioration in the commercial real estate markets nationwide. At Sept. 30, 1990, total non-performing assets and troubled debt restructurings had declined to 2.54 percent of assets compared with 2.92 percent a year earlier.

In addition to a regular $25 million quarterly provision for losses, Great Western reserved an additional $60 million for two hotel and office complexes located on the East Coast.

With a combined loan balance of $205 million, these are the largest properties in the company's non-performing assets category. The loans have been reclassified from troubled debt restructures to in-substance foreclosures and written down to their estimated fair market value.

Net interest income, the primary source of operating income, rose to $286 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $248 million in the same quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, net interest income totaled $859 million compared with $701 million for the same period a year earlier.

Total new loans in the third quarter of 1990 were $3.4 billion, a 19 percent increase over the $2.8 billion recorded in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months, total new loans were $9.9 billion compared with $9.8 billion in the first nine months of 1989.

Great Western Financial Corp., with assets of $42 billion, is the parent company of a real estate-oriented, retail bank. One of the nation's leading residential mortgage lenders, the company operates more than 1,000 mortgage lending, retail banking and consumer finance offices nationwide.

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MILPITAS, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Quantum Corp. (NASDAQ:QNTM) Tuesday reported record sales and earnings for the second quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the second quarter were a record $192.2 million, an increase of 69 percent over the $113.4 million reported for the second quarter of fiscal 1990 and up 18 percent from $162.7 million, for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended July 1, 1990.

Net income for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 quarter was $18.5 million, or 64 cents per share, up 48 percent from $12.5 million, or 45 cents per share, in the comparable quarter a year ago, and an increase of 7 percent over the $17.3 million, or 60 cents per share in the previous quarter.

Net income for the previous quarter includes 8 cents per share from the settlement of a patent infringement suit with Western Digital Corp. When the patent settlement is excluded from the first quarter results, net income for the second quarter increased 23 percent.

According to Quantum chairman and chief executive officer Stephen M. Berkley, ''Our record sales this quarter reflect continued strong demand for our products and the addition of key new OEM customers worldwide. In addition, we contineue to strengthen our relationships with existing customers as they design our newer products into their new systems.''

Gross margin for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 was 26 percent compared with 26.6 percent reported in the prior quarter and 29.6 percent in the comparable quarter a year ago.

Quantum's balance sheet remains strong with $131 million in cash and long-term investments, an increase of $9 million during the quarter. The company has no bank debt.

According to Berkley the compnay continues to invest agressively in technology to develop new products that set performance and reliability standards and are timely to market. ''This quarter we established new standards in the market for small form factor, low power drives with the announcement of two OEM families of dirves designed for use in laptop, notebook, portable, and low-end desktop systems.

Our 42 and 84 megabyte Go-Drive Series drives represent the highest capacity, highest performance, highest reliability drives yet announced in the 2-1/2-inch form factor.

Likewise, our low-power, 84 and 168 megabyte Gem Series drives set new capacity, performance, and reliability standards for the quarter-height,

3-1/2-inch form factor. We currently have additional product families in development designed for the business PC, desktop workstation, and laptop markets.''

The company also recently announced major expansion plans in the Pacific Rim. ''We are aggressively building our sales and support capabilities in the Pacific Rim in response to the large market opportunity there.

''This quarter we opened direct sales offices in Singapore and Taiwan and a logistics center in Singapore to facilitate distribution of our products throughout Asia. We also plan to serve our rapidly growig European customer base with a European manufacturing facility in 1991.''

The company's subsidiary, Plus Development Corp., contributed approximately 10 percent to Quantum's second quarter revenues, up from 9 percent in the previous quarter. Plus's sales increased 39 percent from the first fiscal 1991 quarter as a result of continued strong demand for the Plus Impulse SCSI and AT drives and the Hardcard II drives.

This quarter, Plus announced two new products in the Hardcard II line, the high performance 52 and 105 megabyte Hardcard II XL products designed for 286 and 386 microprocessor-based personal computers.

Since its founding in 1980, Quantum has emerged as a leading independent manufacturer of reliable, high-performance, mass storage systems for business, engineering, and scientific computing. The publicly held company has products designed for a broad range of computer systems including desktop workstations; personal computers; and notebook, laptop, and portable computers.

Quantum markets its drives to OEMs and distributors worldwide. Plus Development Corp. a Quantum subsidiary established in 1983, designs and markets personal computer storage enhancement products for end users through 2,500 dealers in 27 countries worldwide.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Arizona Public Service Co. (APS) board of directors Tuesday declared quarterly dividends at the regular rate on 15 outstanding issues of cumulative preferred stock.

Additionally, the directors declared a quarterly dividend of $1.80 on the company's adjustable rate cumulative preferred stock, Series Q. Preferred dividends are payable Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 1, 1990. APS is a subsidiary of Pinnacle West Capital Corp., a

Phoenix-based holding company.

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WOOSTER, OHIO (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Richard E. Herald, chairman and chief executive officer of FirstFederal Financial Services Corp, Tuesday announced that the company's board of directors has declared a dividend of 12 cents per share.

The dividend will be payable on Nov. 21 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 2.

FirstFederal, with $334 million in assets, is the holding company for First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Wooster which operates nine offices in the north central Ohio counties of Wayne, Ashland, Medina and Richland. FirstFederal's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FFSW.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Kirby Corp. announced Tuesday that its board of directors had authorized Kirby to purchase up to 1 million additional shares of its own common stock as a supplemental authority to the existing 3 million share authorization.

Through Oct. 15, 1990, Kirby has repurchased 1,893,401 shares under the former authorization.

Purchases will be made on the American Stock Exchange and in privately negotiated transactions. Purchases will be subject to price, trading volume, and other market considerations. Shares repurchased may be used for reissuance on the exercise of stock options, on the conversion of outstanding debentures, or in future acquisitions for stock.

Kirby is engaged in marine transportation, diesel repair, and property and casualty insurance.

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LANSING, MI. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - CFSB Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CFSB), of Lansing, announced that its first annual stockholders' meeting was held Tuesday.

At the meeting, John F. Cawood, Cecil Mackey and James L. Reutter were each elected as directors for a three-year term. Stockholders also approved and ratified the CFSB Bancorp Inc. 1990 stock option plan.

Capitol Federal Savings Bank, now in its 100th year, specializes in mortgage lending and retail banking services. With headquarters in Lansing, the bank serves mid-Michigan from 12 branch locations. CFSB Bancorp is the parent company of Capitol Federal Savings Bank.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Sumitomo Bank of California (OTC: SUMI) reported Tuesday third quarter net income of $11.7 million, for an increase of 31 percent over last year's comparison quarter results of $8.96 million.

Earnings per common share, on 8,227,005 average shares outstanding, equalled $1.42 versus $1.09 on 8,201,898 average shares in the 1989 quarter.

In the first nine months of l990, the San Francisco-based bank realized net income of $32.58 million compared to l989's $24.64 million. The bank's performance translates to $3.96 per common share versus $3.23 a share. At Sept. 30, the statewide bank's total assets were $4.75 billion, an increase of $535 million over last year, while total deposits were $3.74 billion, representing a gain of $385 million.

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VANCOUVER, British Columbia (OCT 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Trimin Resources Inc. (ToSE/VcSE:TRM) announced the results from the annual general meeting held on Oct. 15 in Vancouver.

Peter L. Bradshaw, Brian D. Fraser, Terry M. Holland and Randy C. Turner were elected to the board of directors. The shareholders also voted to approve the

implementation of an employee stock option plan and the outstanding director and employee stock options.

Resolutions to amend the term of office and appointment of directors, to approve a financial assistance program, and to approve a director and employee stock contribution plan were withdrawn at the meeting.

For further information, contact either Brian Fraser or Terry Holland at 604/682-1400 or 604/688-4693.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Zero Corp. (NYSE/PSE:ZRO) Tuesday announced net sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $50,284,000 compared with $49,047,000 for the prior year, an increase of 2.5 percent over the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net income and net income per share were $3,572,000, or 23 cents per share, compared with $4,251,000, or 27 cents per share (adjusted for the stock split distributed in Sept. 1989), in the prior year, respectively.

Wilford D. Godbold Jr., president and chief executive officer of Zero, stated that ''Although economists continue to debate the issue, it appears that the U.S. economy is in a recession. Our operating results are reflecting that condition.

''However, Zero's financial position continues to be very healthy with a current ratio of 4-to-1 and cash and fixed rate marketable securities of $18 million which are available for acquisitions of both product lines and niche companies. Stockholders' equity has increased to $121 million and our long-term debt is now below $3 million.

''Even though the state of the economy probably will not allow us to have a record year in net income, I am encouraged with the quality of the acquisition opportunities that we see. Each of our operations is focusing on opportunities to improve market position in the niches that it serves and is focusing on cost reduction plans and actions.

''As we noted previously, we have been in the process of evaluating all of our product lines and determined in August to sell the aircraft ground support business and in September to sell our workbench line. Both sales have been completed. In August, we announced a program to repurchase up to 400,000 shares of our common stock. Thus far, we have purchased 162,700 shares under that program.''

Zero is a leading supplier of cases, cabinets and cooling equipment supplied primarily to the electronics industry and of cargo enclosures for airborne cargo and baggage. Its consumer, industrial and commercial cases are marketed under the Zero Halliburton and Anvil names.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT 16) BUSINESS WIRE - In response to inquiries, Dr. Peter Baram, chairman and chief executive officer of Xytronyx Inc. (ASE:XYX), a San Diego-based biotechnology company, Tuesday issued a statement expanding on Monday's announcement regarding the company's PerioGard Periodontal Tissue Monitor Kit application with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

The company reported that the FDA had issued a letter seeking additional data concerning record-keeping and requiring modifications of certain labelling for the kit. Baram said ''record-keeping'' referred to the location in the application of very specific information relative to dates of manufacture, number of units tested and specifications.

The information requested in the FDA letter has been supplied previously in the company's PMA submission and will be referenced in the company's response.

Baram also said the FDA has requested textual modifications to the kit's label and package insert. The changes are not viewed by the company as altering claims or performance that were endorsed by the FDA Dental Panel Review meeting of May 17, 1990.

Baram also confirmed that Xytronyx has been inspected by representatives of both the U.S. and California FDAs, which issued no findings of deficiency. All PMA applicants must successfully pass such facilities inspections.

As earlier announced, Colgate-Palmolive Co. has paid $2 million under an option agreement for the worldwide marketing and distribution rights for the kit.

Xytronyx Inc. is engaged in the development and commercialization of products based on biotechnological research primarily in the areas of medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine.

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HONOLULU (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Bancorp Hawaii Inc., the parent company of Bank of Hawaii and its principal subsidiary, Hawaiian Trust Company Ltd. and FirstFed America Inc., reported earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30 of $70.3 million, up 19.8 percent over last year at this time.

On a per share basis, fully diluted earnings were $4.07 for the year-to-date, compared with $3.58 for the like period last year. Third quarter earnings were $24.9 million, up 18.2 percent over the corresponding quarter last year.

Several significant events occurred during the third quarter. In early July, Bancorp successfully completed its first common stock issue in 10 years. The proceeds were used to partially fund the acquisition of FirstFed America Inc. and retire maturing medium-term debt.

Bancorp's acquisition of FirstFed was also finalized in July having received all the appropriate regulatory approvals. The acquisition resulted in Bancorp Hawaii's consolidated assets now exceeding $10 billion.

Bancorp's assets of $10.3 billion increased 36.7 percent from the corresponding period in 1989; of this increase $895.5 million is attributed to the FirstFed acquisition. If FirstFed had been included in the prior year for comparison, the total asset increase would have been 21.6 percent. At quarter-end, also including FirstFed in the prior year's comparison, net loans increased to $6.1 billion, and deposits to $8.7 billion, up 15.8 percent and 21.8 percent, respectively.

Also during the quarter, Bank of Hawaii acquired a network of 17 ATMs from GTE. The ATMs are situated in supermarkets throughout the state. This has increased the number of ATMs owned by Bank of Hawaii to more than 100. Combining the network of FirstFed ATMs, the total rises to 115 systemwide.

Bancorp Hawaii is the largest financial organization in Hawaii, with more than 100 offices throughout the state, Asia and the Pacific. Its principal subsidiaries are Bank of Hawaii, FirstFed America Inc., First National Bank of Arizona, Bancorp Finance of Hawaii and Bancorp Finance of Hawaii-Guam. Hawaiian Trust Company Ltd. and Bancorp Leasing of Hawaii are the principal subsidiaries of Bank of Hawaii.

Bank of Hawaii has offices in Hawaii, the Pacific Basin, Tokyo, Hong Kong, Singapore, Seoul, Manila, New York and Nassau.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. (AMEX:PWB), the parent company of Pacific Western Bank, Tuesday reported net income of $4.5 million, or 36 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

This record quarterly income represents an increase of 25 percent over the third quarter of 1989 when the company earned $3.6 million, or 29 cents per share.

The return on average shareholders' equity (ROE) in the third quarter was 20.5 percent on an annualized basis vs. 19.4 percent in the like period last year. Return on average assets (ROA) was 1.44 percent compared to 1.42 percent the third quarter in 1989.

For the first three quarters of 1990, net income was up 41 percent at $12.8 million, or $1.01 per share, compared to the $9 million, or 74 cents per share earned in the first nine months of 1989. ROE, on an annualized basis, was 20.3 percent this year vs. 17.6 percent in the first three quarters of 1989 while ROA increased from 1.21 percent last year to 1.45 percent this year.

The major factor in the company's earnings improvement during the third quarter was a strong increase in net interest income, up 20 percent to $17.7 million as compared to last year's $14.8 million. This resulted from total loans growing 14.6 percent to $862 million on Sept. 30, 1990, in contrast to 1989's $752 million. However, there was a slight 2.5 percent decline in loan volume from the second quarter of this year.

Net interest margin remained stable at 6.3 percent from the preceding quarter, but declined from 6.7 percent a year ago primarily as a result of lower interest rates and the impact of recent acquisitions which added $214 million of lower yielding but highly liquid assets.

The company's record performance was aided by its control over non-interest expenses in spite of acquisitions which added over 25 percent to its total resources. Non-interest expenses grew 15.4 percent to $14.6 million for the third quarter of 1990, as compared to $12.6 million in the like period a year ago and actually declined as a percent of average assets from 4.96 percent to 4.66 percent.

Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. is a bank holding company. Through its subsidiaries, the company offers trust and asset management services. The holding company's Pacific Western Bank has 28 locations in three counties serving California's Santa Clara Valley and Monterey Bay area.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Telebit Corp. (NASDAQ:TBIT) Tuesday reported operating results for the third quarter and first three quarters of fiscal 1990.

Revenue for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $10,033,000, an increase of 13 percent over the $8,845,000 recorded a year earlier. Net income for the third quarter was $904,000, a 101 percent increase over the $449,000 recorded in the comparable quarter one year ago.

The significant increase in net income was due primarily to interest income on approximately $20 million raised in the company's initial public offering of April 1990.

Earnings per share amounted to 13 cents, compared with 10 cents recorded for the third quarter of 1989. As a result of the initial public offering the number of shares used in computing earnings per share increased from 4,536,000 in 1989, to 7,025,000 in 1990.

For the first three quarters of fiscal 1990, revenue totaled $31,523,000, an increase of 38 percent from the $22,924,000 recorded in the same period of fiscal 1989.

Net income for the first three quarters of 1990 was $2,774,000, a 143 percent increase over the $1,143,000 recorded during the prior year period. Earnings per share for the first three quarters of 1990 equaled 48 cents, 85 percent over the 26 cents recorded a year ago.

Telebit Corp. designs, manufactures and markets advanced high speed products for dial-up networking and wide-area communications. The company's patented Packetized Ensemble Protocol (PEP) and proprietary digital signal processing technologies provide extremely reliable error-free communications across the worldwide switched telephone network.

Telebit markets its products worldwide through distributors, original equipment manufacturers, and value-added resellers.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - United Telecommunications Inc. Tuesday announced earnings per share of 41 cents for the third quarter of 1990.

This reflects improvement over second-quarter earnings, which were 18 cents per share. Second-quarter earnings included non-recurring charges of $72 million, or 18 cents per share.

Consolidated net income for the third quarter of 1990 increased to $90 million from $41 million in the previous quarter. Net income was $95 million, or 45 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989. Consolidated net income was $238 million and earnings per share were $1.10 for the first three quarters of 1990, compared with $262 million and $1.24 per share for the same period in 1989.

William T. Esrey, chairman and chief executive officer of United Telecom, said the company's long distance unit, US Sprint, reported third-quarter revenues of $1.3 billion, up more than 3 percent over the second quarter. Year-to-date revenues were $3.7 billion, up 19 percent from $3.1 billion for the same period in 1989.

US Sprint operating profit of $54 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was up $24 million from the $30 million, excluding the non-recurring charges, recorded in the second quarter. United Telecom's local telephone operations reported revenues of $679 million in the third quarter, compared with $666 million reported for the same period a year ago. Operating income for the local telephone companies for the quarter was $169 million, compared with $168 million in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, operating income for the local communications division was $512 million, up 6 percent from $483 million for the first nine months of 1989.

United's complementary businesses reported net operating revenues for the quarter of $205 million, up 4 percent from $196 million in the third quarter of 1989. Complementary businesses reported operating income of $16 million for the quarter, compared with $11 million for the third quarter of 1989.

Consolidated net operating revenues were $2.1 billion for the third quarter, up from $1.9 billion in the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, consolidated net operating revenues were $6.2 billion, up from $5.5 billion for the same period in 1989.

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COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Emulex Corp. (OTC:EMLX), a leading supplier of system- and network-enhancement products for the computer industry

announced Monday that Robert N. Stephens has been elected president and chief executive officer.

A 20-year veteran in the computer industry, Stephens was most recently senior vice president and general manager of the Microcomputer Products Group of Western Digital Corp.

In making the announcement, Emulex Chairman Fred B. Cox said: ''In Bob Stephens, we believe we have found an outstanding executive to lead Emulex during the important years ahead. His broad industry experience in communications, networking and microcomputer products, along with his leadership ability, will be vital to Emulex.

Stephens joined Western Digital in 1986 and served in several executive positions. In January 1990 he assumed his most recent position, heading the Microcomputer Products Group, with responsibility for research and development marketing and manufacturing of Western Digital's imaging, communication and systems-logic product lines.

In the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, this group accounted for approximately $330 million in revenues. Under Stephens' leadership, his group at Western Digital achieved leading market positions and a reputation for award-winning products in the local-area network adapter market and video microchip and board markets, and launched a successful entry into the systems-logic business.

Prior to 1986 Stephens held a variety of executive positions with IBM, was vice president of manufacturing and operations at Magnuson Computer Systems and was president and chief executive officer of California Network Systems. A native of Iowa, Stephens holds bachelor's and master's degrees in industrial psychology from San Jose State University.

At Emulex, Stephens replaces David W. Hanna, who is a member of the Emulex board of directors and who assumed the presidency on an interim basis last June. Both Cox and Hanna continue as Emulex directors, and Stephens will also be a director. Cox continues as chairman of the board, focusing on customer relations and major accounts.

Emulex designs, manufactures and markets high-performance storage and networking products for Digital Equipment, IBM personal computer, Small Computer System Interface and UNIX markets. Emulex's worldwide operations in nearly 100 countries serve end-user customers, dealers, distributors, OEMs, systems integrators and value-added resellers. Net revenues for fiscal 1990, ended July 1, were $120.5 million.

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BOISE, ID (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Amidst an environment of continued reduced housing starts, TJ International (NASDAQ: TJCO) Tuesday announced decreased sales and earnings for its third quarter.

Sales fell 13 percent to $89,930,000 compared with 1989's third quarter sales of $103,897,000. Income followed suit, declining 18 percent to $4,464,000, or 62 cents per share, from $5,419,000 and 75 cents per share during the corresponding quarter a year ago.

For the first three quarters of the year, sales decreased 2 percent to $262,485,000 compared with $267,126,000 in 1989. Net income dropped 15 percent to $11,381,000 from the $13,321,000 earned during the first nine months of 1989. Net income per share decreased 15 percent to $1.58 from the $1.85 earned during the first three quarters of 1989.

These results ended eight years of steadily increasing year-to- year quarterly sales comparisons and prompted TJ International Chief Executive Officer and President Walt Minnick to comment: ''This suggests to us that the new housing industry in North America is finally in its first continent-wide recession since 1982. It is too early to forecast the probable depth or duration of this economic readjustment.''

Minnick noted that despite the gloomy market environment, he is encouraged by the company's ability to gain market share in the residential structural business. ''We have also taken aggressive measures to control costs, which have resulted in respectable operating margins despite the increasing competition that naturally occurs when markets shrink. During this period, which is a normal and recurring event in our industry, we intend to keep a close reign on costs, as we have done successfully in prior housing recessions.''

He also said the Boise-based specialty building materials manufacturer would press forward with expenditures on productivity-enhancing capital projects and efforts to further the company's penetration of new markets.

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MURFREESBORO, TN (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - First City Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CITY) Tuesday announced improved financial results for its third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income was $91,841, or 7 cents per share, compared with net income of $26,099, or 3 cents per share, reported during the third quarter of 1989.Net interest income increased to $1,058,456 compared with $763,452 in the third quarter a year ago.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $254,577 or 19 cents per share, compared with $227,889, or 32 cents per share, for the same period last year. Net interest income was $3,017,577 compared with $2,468,895 in the same period a year ago.

Earnings per share amounts for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30 1990, reflect 662,000 new shares sold by the Bank on Sept. 21, 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $149.6 million, an increase of $22.4 million from $127.2 million a year ago. Stockholders' equity was $11.8 million.

For regulatory calculations, primary capital includes $1,356,936 of convertible debentures and the loan loss valuation reserve resulting in a primary capital/total asset ratio of 8.5 percent.

Deposits at Sept. 30, 1990 were $120.9 million compared with $109.5 million a year ago.

First City Bancorp's sole subsidiary, First City Bank, serves customers in Murfreesboro, Smyrna, Columbia and the Nashville suburb of Bellevue. The common stock of First City Bancorp is traded over-the-counter in the National Market System under the NASDAQ Symbol CITY.

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IRVINE, CALIF. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Diceon Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ:DICN) Tuesday reported financial results for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the year increased 5.6 percent to $125,466,000, as compared with $118,771,000 for fiscal 1989. The company incurred a net loss of $10,243,000 or $1.85 per share, as compared with fiscal-1989 net loss of $2,287,000, or 39 cents per share.

Fourth-quarter net sales increased 11.2 percent to $34,346,000, vs.

$30,878,000 for the comparable period in 1989. Net loss for the quarter was $5,176,000, or $1 per share, vs. net loss of $155,000, or 3 cents per share, for the fourth quarter of 1989.

The loss for the fourth quarter and year includes a previously announced (Sept. 24, 1990) realignment of operations which has resulted in a provision for restructuring charges after tax of $4.67 million, or 90 cents per share, for the quarter, and 84 cents per share for the year.

Weak demand from a significant segment of the company's customer base, combined with continuing price erosion, poor product mix and excess capacity, continue to affect the company's performance.

While the company does not expect industry conditions to change during the next several quarters, it is hopeful that the realignment being made to its operation will enable it to operate at lower cost and be more responsive in meeting the needs of the market place.

Diceon Electronics is one of the country's leading manufacturers of both complex and high-technology multilayer circuit boards and backpanels. Customers include original equipment manufacturers of computer, telecommunications and instrumentation systems.

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PASADENA, Calif. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Conversion Industries Inc. (ASE:CVD) Tuesday reported results for the three months and nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

The third quarter 1990 operating income was ($316,851) vs. $338,712 for 1989. Net income for the 1990 third quarter was affected by lower oil production by its 52 percent owned oil and gas subsidiary, International Colin Energy Corp. (TSE:KCN), largely due to the sale of certain interests in their oil- and gas-producing properties and the lower oil prices prior to the Iraq invasion of Kuwait.

The present higher oil prices will enhance their results for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

In 1989, the third quarter income was improved by investment income of $587,186, whereas for 1990 there was no comparative investment income.

Revenue for the nine months was $3,718,504, compared with $1,623,784 recorded during the same period one year ago. Operating income was ($174,796) vs.

$95,836, and net loss was ($185,778), or (7 cents) per share vs. income of $945,235 or 40 cents per share. The 1989 net income included a recovery of a prior reserve against notes receivable of $607,883.

Conversion Industries is an integrated independent power production company.

Conversion Industries Inc.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended August 31,		Nine Months Ended August 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 897,277	$ 946,428	$3,178,504	$1,623,784
Income from operations	(316,851)	338,712	(174,796)	95,836
Net income	(165,591)	281,116	(185,778)	945,235
Net income per share	(6 cents)	12 cents	(7 cents)	40 cents T

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MOUNTAIN LAKES, NJ (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - COMPUTER HORIZONS CORP. (NASDAQ:CHRZ) Tuesday announced that the record net earnings achieved during the nine months, ended September 26, 1990 exceeded earnings for any full year in the company's history.

For the third quarter ended September 26, 1990 net income increased 194% to a record $917,000, or $.35 per share, on a 17% increase in revenues to $25,379,000. These results compare to net income of $312,000, or $.13 per share, on revenues of $21,667,000 for 1989's third quarter.

For the nine months ended September 26, 1990, net income rose 187% to $2,369,000, or $.93 per share, on a 19% increase in revenues to $73,799,000. For the prior comparable nine months, net income before accounting change was $825,000, or $.34 per share, on revenues of $62,134,000.

Commenting on the substantial gains, John J. Cassese, President, stated, ''Two primary factors contributed to the excellent third quarter and record nine months earnings. The cost controls implemented as a result of the restructuring at the end of 1989 continue to make a major contribution. And, most importantly, our investment in solution-oriented project business, a strategy we have been building on for sometime now, is generating the desired results.

''We are happy to report these record third quarter and nine months earnings, which surpass any full year in our 21 year history. We anticipate a good fourth quarter and look forward to reporting an outstanding 1990,'' Mr.

Cassese concluded.

COMPUTER HORIZONS CORP. is one of the nation's largest independent providers of custom software development, systems integration, management consulting and training and education serving a clientele of Fortune 500 companies nationwide through a network of 25 offices.

COMPUTER HORIZONS CORP.
Consolidated Statements of Income
(unaudited)
(in thousands except for earnings per share and shares oustanding)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 26 1990	Sept. 29 1989	Sept. 26 1990	Sept. 29 1989
Revenues	$ 25,379	$ 21,667	$ 73,799	$ 62,134
Direct Costs	$ 19,308	$ 16,318	$ 56,268	$ 46,517
SG&A Expenses	$ 4,147	$ 4,502	$ 12,344	$ 13,300
Amortization of intangibles	$ 93	$ 117	$ 280	$ 331
Income from operations	$ 1,831	$ 730	$ 4,907	$ 1,986
Interest income	$ 55	$ 103	$ 110	$ 423
Interest expense	$ 262	$ 274	$ 795	$ 811
Income before income taxes and accounting change	$ 1,624	$ 559	$ 4,222	$ 1,598
Income taxes	$ 707	$ 247	$ 1,853	$ 773
Income (before accounting change)	$ 917	$ 312	$ 2,369	$ 825
Earnings per share (before accounting change)	$ 0.35	$ 0.13	$ 0.93	$ 0.34
Accounting change (a)	----	----	----	$ 1,042
Net income after accounting change	----	----	----	$ 1,867
Earnings per share: Accounting change	----	----	----	$ 0.42
Net income after accounting change	----	----	----	$ 0.76
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	2,622,070	2,398,117	2,554,856	2,457,746

Note (a) -- In 1989, the Company recorded a $1,042,000 gain reflecting the adoption of required new accounting principles for deferred income taxes according to FASB No. 96. This change was retroactively recorded in the first quarter of 1989.

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FAIRFIELD, CT (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - GE's earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 were $1.16, up 12% from $1.04 in the third quarter of 1989, Chairman John F. Welch, Jr. reported Tuesday.

Net earnings were $1.026 billion, up $81 million, or 9%, from $945 million for the third quarter of 1989.

Consolidated revenues of $14.2 billion in 1990's third quarter were up 9% from $13.0 billion for the comparable 1989 period.

Earnings per share of $3.44 for the first nine months of 1990 were 12% more than last year's first nine months per- share earnings of $3.06. Net earnings for this year's first nine months were $3.064 billion, an increase of 11% from the $2.766 billion in the comparable period of 1989. Consolidated revenues for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $41.2 billion, up 7% from $38.4 billion in 1989's first nine months.

The comments that follow compare revenues and operating profit by industry segment for the third quarter of 1990 and 1989.

-- Aircraft Engines operating profit was up significantly from a year ago, principally on a continuation of much higher revenues. -- Power Systems operating profit increased sharply reflecting much improved revenues. -- GE Financial Services net earnings were 19% ahead of last year's quarter led by another very strong performance by GE Capital. -- Major Appliances had a much higher operating profit driven by strong productivity gains. Revenues were about the same as last year. -- Aerospace operating profit was up in the third quarter on higher revenues, reflecting timing of deliveries. -- Technical Products and Services revenues and operating profit were about the same as last year. -- Industrial operating profit was about the same as 1989 on somewhat lower 1990 revenues. -- Materials operating profit was substantially lower despite increased revenues reflecting increasing material costs which have yet to be recovered through price increases. -- Broadcasting operating profit and revenues were modestly lower than a year ago primarily because of market softness. -- All other operating profit was about the same as last year on lower revenues.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Tuesday reported revenue grew slightly and net income declined from the year-ago period in its third quarter ended Sept. 30.

The company also announced a plan to repurchase up to 5 million shares of its outstanding common stock, or approximately 12 percent of its 43 million shares outstanding.

Net sales for the third quarter totaled $157.4 million, a 2 percent increase over sales of $153.9 million in 1989's correspondingquarter. Net income totaled $8.6 million, or 20 cents per share, a 63 percent decrease from net income of $23 million, or 54 cents per share, in the similar 1989 period.

For 1990's first nine months, Lotus' revenue rose 23 percent to $498.1 million from $406.1 million. Net income climbed 42 percent to $54.8 million, or $1.27 per share, from $38.5 million, or 92 cents per share.

''While the quarter was negatively affected by the transition to 1-2-3 Release 3.1 from 3.0, we are encouraged by initial marketplace response to the product '' said Jim Manzi, Lotus' president and chief executive officer. ''We shipped 1-2-3 Release 3.1 in the last two weeks of the quarter and, if early indications from our resellers and corporate customers are any measure, we expect the product will contribute significantly the success of the 1-2-3 product family. In addition, Release 2.2 continued to sell extremely well, and Notes exceeded its sales forecast.

''We've also been encouraged this year by the response to our newly developed products, like 1-2-3/G, Notes, 3.1, Freelance Graphics for OS/2, Lotus MarketPlace and Lotus Improv, our newest spreadsheet for NeXT computers,'' Manzi added. ''Each has been praised for innovative features that set new standards in their respective product categories. We will continue to invest in research and development efforts which result in pioneering products that offer our customers new and easier ways to solve their business problems.''

Robert Schechter, Lotus' chief financial officer and senior vice president, added: ''We continue to manage expenses carefully and are confident that we have made the right investment decisions to grow our business. Should sales of 1-2-3 Release 3.1 remain strong and nothing dramatic occurs from a macroeconomic perspective, we expect to significantly increase our profitability in the fourth quarter.''

In addition to 1-2-3 Release 3.1, Lotus in the third quarter shipped a special version of 1-2-3 Release 2.2 with character set support for Eastern Europe; Agenda 2.0, an enhanced version of the personal information manager that includes major improvements in ease of use; Lotus MarketPlace: Business, the first member of a new family of sales and marketing tools that, running on an Apple Macintosh, help businesses find new customers; Lotus Notes 1.1, a Windows 3.0 compatible version of the group communications product; server editions of Symphony 2.2, the company's high-end integrated software program, and 1-2-3/G, the graphical version of the spreadsheet for OS/2 and the Presentation Manager operating environment; and the Viewer Toolkit for Magellan 2.0, allowing third-party developers to create new viewers for personal computer programs.

The company also announced Lotus Improv, the highly acclaimed spreadsheet for the NeXT computer; and Freelance Graphics for OS/2 with Presentation Manager, which gives users a fill-in-the-blanks approach to creating presentations. Freelance Graphics for OS/2 will ship in the fourth quarter; Lotus Improv is expected to ship by the end of this year or early next year.

Stock Repurchase Plan

Lotus said it plans to repurchase up to 5 million shares of its outstanding common stock in the open market from time to time at prices that are attractive to the company.

''Our shares are undervalued,'' said Manzi. ''We consider this an excellent opportunity to invest in the common stock of our company, and to demonstrate our commitment to enhancing shareholder value.''

Schechter added: ''While this action represents a significant financial investment, we remain committed -- and will have the resources -- to continue our investments in research and development, marketing and support of products that will fuel our growth.''

Lotus has previously completed three stock repurchase programs. In September 1988, the company initiated a plan to repurchase up to 15 percent of its common stock. In February and August 1986, separate repurchase plans were announced, each for up to 10 percent of the company's outstanding shares.

Lotus Development Corp. (NASDAQ:LOTS) develops, markets and supports business software that helps users access, analyze, communicate and share information. Founded in 1982, the company's first product, Lotus 1-2-3, is the most popular personal computer software program in the world with more than 12 million users.

Lotus markets its broad range of products in more than 65 countries and offers users comprehensive support options, including 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week support in the U.S. for PC versions of its 1-2-3 spreadsheet.

Consolidated statements of operations for the three-month periods are as follows:

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(in thousands, except per share data)
(in thousands)
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	September 29, 1990	September 30,1989
Net sales	$157,364	$153,906
Cost of sales	28,397	27,843
Gross margin	128,967	126,063
Operating expenses:		
Research & development	31,462	26,222
Sales & marketing	71,592	55,341
General & administrative	15,548	14,998
Total operating expenses	118,602	96,561
Operating income	10,365	29,502
Interest income, net	1,580	1,071
Other income, net	(39)	(506)
Income before provision for income tax	11,906	30,067
Provision for income taxes	3,334	7,090
Net income	$8,572	$22,977
Net income per share	$0.20	$0.54
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	42,986	42,262

Consolidated statements of operations for the nine-month periods are as follows:

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(in thousands, except per share data)
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	Nine Months Ended	
	September 29, 1990	September 30,1989
Net sales	$498,120	$406,075
Cost of sales	88,506	80,533
Gross margin	409,614	325,542
Operating expenses:		
Research & development	85,606	68,968
Sales & marketing	202,364	163,244
General & administrative	46,881	45,316
Total operating expenses	334,851	277,528
Operating income	74,763	48,014

Interest income, net	3,847	3,650
Other income, net	(2,461)	(268)
Income before provision for income tax	76,149	51,396
Provision for income taxes	21,322	12,849
Net income	$54,827	$38,547
Net income per share	$1.27	$0.92
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	43,326	42,091

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(in thousands)
(unaudited)

ASSETS

Current assets:	September 29, 1990	December 31, 1989
Cash & short-term investments	$298,632	$274,977
Accounts receivable, net	118,461	97,712
Inventory	22,443	23,171
Other current assets	17,430	13,937
Total current assets	456,966	409,797
Property & equipment, net	139,968	129,702
Software and other intangible assets, ne	54,815	27,100
Investments and other assets	43,101	37,678
Total assets	$694,850	$604,277

LIABILITIES and STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Current liabilities	$161,735	$109,839
Deferred income taxes	13,766	13,693
Long-term debt	170,000	202,440
Stockholders' equity	349,349	278,305
Total liabilities & stockholders' eq	$694,850	$604,277

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ATLANTA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Coca-Cola Enterprises (NYSE:CCE) reported today that net income per common share in the third quarter increased 98.7 percent to 13 cents. Net income available to common shareholders rose 80.8 percent to $15.0 million. For the first nine months of 1990, net income available to common shareholders rose to $70.1 million or 58 cents per common share, compared to $51.1 million or 39 cents for the same period in 1989.

Operating cash flow in the third quarter increased by 12.7 percent to $150.7 million. For the first nine months operating cash flow increased by 5.1 percent to $436.8 million. Operating cash flow during the first nine months reflects a total of $19.3 million of second quarter incremental reserves for potentially uncollectible trade accounts receivable and restructuring charges relating primarily to the planned standardization of the Company's information system operations. Excluding these items, operating cash flow for the first nine months was $456.1 million reflecting a 9.8 percent increase over the preceding year. Operating cash flow in the third quarter and the first nine months was affected by higher selling, adminstrative and general expenses primarily related to increased marketing costs as compared to prior year periods.

CCE's volume in physical cases rose approximately 3 percent in the third quarter of 1990 as well as through the first nine months of the year. Assuming that the acquisition of Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Arkansas and the divestiture of CCE's majority interest in Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Ohio and its ownership of Portsmouth Coca-Cola Bottling Company, Inc. had occurred at the beginning of 1989, physical case volume would have grown by approximately 4 percent for the third quarter, and approximately 3 1/2 percent for the first nine months of the year.

In the third quarter and first nine months of 1990, net pricing for case sales to retailers increased by approximately 3 percent over the prior year. Related cost of sales per unit was basically flat during the third quarter of 1990, and showed a moderate 1 percent increase during the first nine months.

Other deductions were $3.0 million for the third quarter and $9.4 for the first nine months. This compares to other income of $0.3 million for the third quarter of 1989 and $13.6 million for the first nine months of 1989.

In the third quarter of 1990, CCE repurchased approximately 3.3 million shares of common stock from public shareholders and from The Coca-Cola Company. Cumulative repurchases through the end of the third quarter under the current 25.0 million share repurchase program totalled approximately 23.5 million shares. Approximately 1.5 million shares remain under the current program, and these shares are expected to be purchased by the end of 1990.

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MONTGOMERY, AL (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Alfa Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ALFA) Tuesday announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $7,194,885 compared with third quarter 1989 net income of $7,115,513, an increase of 1.1 percent. The earnings per share comparison was 35 cents vs. 34 cents in the year-earlier period, up 1.6 percent.

Operating income for the third quarter, excluding net realized investment gains was $5,766,069, or 28 cents per share, compared with third quarter 1989 operating income of $6,282,041, or 30 cents per share, a decrease of 7.8 percent on a per share basis.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $17,128,980, or 82 cents per share, compared with net income of $19,508,496, or 93 cents per share, in the first nine months of 1989. Operating income for the first nine months of 1990 was $14,559,465, or 70 cents per share, compared with operating income of $17,329,435, or 83 cents per share, in the year-earlier period.

Commenting on the results, Alfa Corp.'s President, Goodwin L. Myrick, said: ''We are pleased to report record net income for the quarter; however, realized investment gains were a more significant part of the quarter's earnings than is usual. Operating income is down for the quarter primarily because of the effect which the severe storm losses incurred in the past three years have had on investment income and reinsurance premiums.

''Also contributing to the quarter's earnings decline are increases in operating expenses which we believe are temporary and do not represent a trend. We remain confident about our long-term earnings prospects.''

Alfa Corp. is engaged in insurance and financial activities through its subsidiaries. The common stock of Alfa Corp. is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ALFA.

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - HEALTHSOUTH Rehabilitation Corp. (NYSE:HRC) reported Tuesday that it generated net income of $3,271,00 on operating revenues of $63,176,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This represents a 55 percent increase as compared to the net income generated in the third quarter, 1989. Revenues were 71 percent greater than those experienced in the like period prior year.

Primary earnings per share for the quarter were 25 cents, a 25 percent increase as compared to last year. On a fully diluted basis, earnings per share for this quarter were 24 cents, a 6 cent increase as compared to the

1989 quarter.

''We are pleased to report that, on a year-to-date basis, operating revenues are 76 percent ahead of last year,'' said Richard M. Scrushy, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer.

''In this nine month period, we generated net income of $8,755,000, 56 percent more than that generated in the same period of 1989, with primary earnings per share increasing 42 percent to 75 cents.''

HEALTHSOUTH Rehabilitation Corp. is a leading provider of comprehensive medical rehabilitation services in the United States. The company currently employees some 3,500 people and operates 50 locations in 21 states.

HEALTHSOUTH Rehabilitation Center
Summary of Operating Results
(Unaudited, in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Total operating revenue	$63,176	$37,003	$184,496	$104,723
Net income	$ 3,271	$ 2,114	$ 8,755	$ 5,627
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	13,197	10,776	11,714	10,654
Earnings per share:				
Primary	25 cents	20 cents	75 cents	53 cents
Fully diluted	24 cents	18 cents	68 cents	51 cents

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VAN NUYS, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Superior Industries International Inc. (NYSE:SUP) Tuesday announced the company achieved record results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Superior recorded revenues of $67,872,000 compared with revenues of $53,541,000, a 27 percent increase over the like quarter a year ago. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 grew 25 percent to $3,767,000, or 44 cents per share, compared with net income of $3,021,000, or 35 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989.

The per-share amounts reflect the 10 percent stock dividends issued on June 29 1990.

A recognized leader in its field, Superior Industries International Inc. supplies cast aluminum wheels for Ford and General Motors and the overseas

market, along with other products, and also serves the national automotive aftermarket with a broad range of accessory and RV products.

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ENCINO, CA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - C U Bancorp (NASDAQ:CUBN), the parent company of California United Bank, N.A., Tuesday reported net income of $1.15 million or $0.25 per share for the quarter ended September 30, 1990.

For the first nine months of this year, the Company earned $4.58 million or $1.00 per share. Earnings for the comparable three and nine month periods of 1989 were $1.47 million or $0.32 per share, and $4.48 million or $0.97 per share, respectively. Per share amounts for the comparable periods of 1989 have been adjusted to reflect a 6-for-5 stock split distributed on May 15, 1990.

John J. Keating, President and Chief Executive Officer, stated that the current quarter's results were primarily due to growth in net interest and non-interest income, offset by management's decision to increase the quarter's provision for possible loan losses. He added that despite the additional provision, C U Bancorp's annualized return on average assets was 1.36% and return on average equity was 18.04% for the first nine months of 1990.

The current quarter's loan loss provision was $1.45 million, compared with $0.30 million in the same period of 1989 and $0.45 million in 1990's second quarter. At the end of the current third quarter, the Company's allowance for possible loan losses totalled $4.79 million. This amount represented 1.77% of the total loan portfolio. The loss reserve represented 79.9% of nonperforming loans and 140.8% of nonaccrual loans.

Net interest income before the provision for loan losses was $8.37 million for 1990's third quarter and $23.84 million for the latest nine months, advancing 25.6% and 22.4%, respectively, over the comparable periods in 1989. Net interest margins for the latest quarter and nine months were 8.78% and 8.56%, versus 8.74% and 8.57%, respectively, a year ago. Noninterest income before gains from security transactions was $1.05 million for 1990's third quarter and $3.07 million on a year-to-date basis, up 38.0% and 59.1%, respectively, from 1989. Advances in this area were primarily attributable to the Company's mortgage banking operations.

Total assets amounted to $463.6 million at September 30, 1990, up 6.4% over

1989's third quarter, but down 13.0% from June 30 of this year. The decrease is reflective of deposit consolidation among the Company's financial service customers. The Company said, however, that the average asset volume for the third quarter of 1990 (which is more indicative of earning capacity) was 20.1% above the level of the third quarter of 1989 and only 1.60% below the 1990 second quarter.

Shareholders' equity totaled $35.3 million or $8.30 per outstanding share. Primary capital amounted to $40.1 million, representing a leverage ratio of 8.56%, or 2.56 percentage points above the minimum regulatory requirement.

C U Bancorp and its subsidiary, California United Bank, N.A., were formerly known as Lincoln Bancorp and Lincoln National Bank, respectively. With offices in Encino and Beverly Hills, and a third branch soon to be opened in Costa Mesa, the Company offers a full range of commercial banking services primarily to middle-market businesses based in Southern California.

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LAS CRUCES, N.M. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Energy Optics Inc. Tuesday reported a 7 percent increase in revenues and a continuing decline in operating losses for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

The electro-optical development and manufacturing concern posted revenues for the year of $623,783, up from $580,947 in fiscal 1989. The loss dropped to $84,528, equal to 3 cents per average common share outstanding, from $188,517, or 7 cents per share a year ago. Most of the recent year's losses occurred in the first half, with both the third and fourth quarters showing improvement.

Average shares outstanding stood at 2,553,294 on July 31, only slightly above the year-ago figure. The current total is 2,951,612 shares. The company has a tax loss carry-forward of more than $3 million which will benefit future earnings.

Edward N. Laughlin, president, said every category of operating costs was reduced for the year except expenditures for research and development which doubled to $123,930. This added investment has brought several promising new products closer to production and marketing, he noted.

The company also has done a significant amount of product development for other companies during the past year, several of which projects may lead to

manufacture of the resulting products by Energy Optics, Laughlin said. The company also is currently quoting on substantial manufacturing contracts which could speed its transition from a development and engineering concern to a manufacturing enterprise as well, he added.

Energy Optics Inc.
Financial Summary

	Fiscal Year Ended July 31, 1990	Fiscal Year Ended July 31, 1989
Revenues	$623,783	$580,947
Net loss	84,528	188,517
Loss per share	3 cents	7 cents
Average shares outstanding	2,553,294	2,547,762

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PHOENIX (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - CyCare Systems Inc. (NYSE:CYS) reported net income of $1.0 million, or 18 cents per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 33 percent increase over $773,000, or 13 cents per share, reported for the same period a year ago.

A loss of $12.4 million, or $2.23 per share, on revenue of $60.4 million was reported for the nine month period. This compares with net income of $2.4 million, or 41 cents per share, on revenue of $64.7 million reported in 1989.

The 1990 nine month results include write-offs and provisions for restructuring charges totaling $20.9 million before tax taken during the second quarter.

For the third quarter, income before tax was $1.6 million, a 23 percent increase over $1.3 million reported in 1989.

Jim Houtz, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: ''This is a good step toward a stronger level of financial performance that we believe the company is capable of achieving. Our cost structure has been reduced and system sales have improved.''

Cycare is one of the nation's leading providers of computerized information processing systems and services to the healthcare industry with over 4,800 clients, including physicians, medical group practices, faculty practice plans hospitals and managed care organizations.

Headquartered in Phoenix, the company's business, product and sales/service

centers are located in Atlanta; Chicago; Dallas; Detroit; Dubuque, Iowa; Houston; Long Island, N.Y.; Miami; Minneapolis; Portland, Ore.; San Antonio, Texas; San Diego; Wausau, Wis.; and Woodland Hills, Calif.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Peter Baram, chairman and chief executive officer of Xytronyx Inc. (ASE:XYX), a San Diego-based biotechnology company, Tuesday announced it has signed a letter agreement with PACO Pharmaceutical Services Inc., Lakewood, N.J., to jointly manufacture an initial large order from Colgate-Palmolive Co. for the PerioGard Periodontal Tissue Monitor Kit.

The initial order of 53,500 kits will be released after FDA approval of the kit or approval for export.

As announced earlier, Colgate-Palmolive Co. has paid $2 million under the option agreement for the worldwide marketing and distribution rights for the kit.

Following the letter agreement between Xytronyx and PACO, the two companies will attempt to develop a more detailed manufacturing agreement covering higher volume of the kit over a longer period of time.

Xytronyx Inc. is engaged in the development and commercialization of products based on biotechnological research primarily in the areas of medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine.

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BELLINGHAM, WA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Horizon Bank (NASDAQ:HRZB) announced increased earnings for the second quarter and first half of the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Earnings for the quarter were $1.2 million, or 34 cents per share, up from $1.1 million and 31 cents per share in the corresponding period one year ago. Earnings for the six months rose to $2.3 million, or 65 cents per share, up from $2.1 million and 59 cents per share.

Total revenue for the quarter increased to $8.3 million, up from $7.5 million, including interest income of $7.7 million vs. $6.9 million. Total revenue for the six months was $16.1 million, compared to $14.5 million, including interest income of $15.2 million vs. $13.5 million.

According to V. Lawrence Evans, president, loan demand remained strong through the first half, although ''there are signs of a slowdown in the Northwest economy that resembles the current national market.'' The bank's non-performing assets were an extremely low .18 percent of total assets. Despite this low non-performing asset ratio, the bank has chosen to increase its loan loss reserves for potential loan problems.

Evans added that the bank's assets, deposits and net worth showed strong growth during the period.

Horizon Bank is a state-chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank with eight offices serving Whatcom, Skagit and Snohomish counties.

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DALLAS (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Vinland Property Trust (NASDAQ: VIPTS) Tuesday announced operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

For the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, the trust recorded a net loss of $149,000, or 2 cents per share on revenues of $1.1 million, compared with a net loss of $1.1 million, or 19 cents per share, on revenues of $1.7 million in the third quarter of the prior year.

For the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, the trust recorded net income of $713,000, or 12 cents per share, on revenues of $7.7 million, compared with a net loss of $3.4 million, or 57 cents per share, on revenues of $4.8 million in the first nine months of 1989.

Rental income for the third quarter and nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, decreased to $700,000 and $2.4 million, respectively, as compared with $1.0 million and $3.2 million for 1989's third quarter and first nine months.

''Rental income was lower this year because we lost a shopping mall through foreclosure in June 1989, sold an apartment complex in January 1990 and gave back to the senior lien holder another apartment complex in February 1990,'' said a spokesperson for the trust.

Vinland Property Trust is a combination mortgage and equity real estate

investment trust which operates primarily in Texas and Oklahoma.

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PAWTUCKET, RI (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Hasbro Inc. (ASE:HAS) Tuesday reported its results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Revenues were $448,775,000, up 11.4 percent from $403,016,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Net earnings for the quarter were $33,100,000, compared to $31,303,000 last year. Earnings per share were 57 cents compared to 53 cents a year ago. The weighted average number of common shares outstanding was 57,979,000 compared to 59,556,000 a year earlier.

For the year to date, revenues totaled $1,027,218,000, compared to $992,700,000 in 1989. Net earnings for the nine months were $61,256,000, or $1.05 per share while for the same period of 1989, earnings were $68,185,000, or $1.15 per share. The weighted average number of shares outstanding was 58,500,000 for the nine months of 1990 compared to 59,252,000 the prior year.

The weighted average number of shares outstanding in both the quarter and nine months reflects a decrease attributable to the repurchase of shares by the company.

''We are pleased with both our revenues and earnings,'' said Alan G. Hassenfeld, chairman and chief executive officer. ''The international operations, particulary those in Europe, continue to report significant growth in revenues and earnings, both in their local currencies and U.S. dollars. Domestically, the favorable reception to our new promotional products, including New Kids on the Block dolls, World Wrestling Federation action figures and Go-Go My Walking Pup, have had a positive effect on our results,'' Hassenfeld continued.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Dun & Bradstreet Software (D&B Software), the world's largest financial, human resource and manufacturing applications software and services vendor, announced today a strategy to expand its investment in four key business areas -- product enhancements, technology offerings, customer services and future applications.

In addition, the company announced a formula to migrate customers to these future applications at no charge.

D&B Software, a division of The Dun & Bradstreet Corp., was formed earlier this year by the merger of Management Science America Inc. and McCormack & Dodge Corp. The company serves more than 10,000 customers worldwide, including 75 percent of the Fortune 500.

D&B Software Executive Vice President Jim Henderson said the company, which has more than one third of its development resources devoted to product enhancements, will continue to work with a broad range of customers to determine priority enhancements for the future.

Henderson said D&B Software will expand its product offerings to more fully utilize technologies and strategic hardware platforms, including relational technology, workstation and midrange areas. The company will soon announce a human resource package with relational capabilities, a development tool that allows customers to build distributed or cooperative applications and three additional financial applications for DEC VAX computers.

Currently, more than one third of D&B Software's development resources are focused on this area.

D&B Software will also expand its investment in future applications by developing an architecture, or development framework, that will encompass open systems, including IBM's SAA and UNIX. The company is devoting one quarter of its development resources to its future architecture and will increase this staffing level in the coming years.

Henderson added that customers who implement relational, workstation or midrange products and who maintain a maintenance contract will receive corresponding components of future applications at no additional charge.

D&B Software will also invest in customer service by implementing new support services and products and by increasing the size of its consulting staff. The company will further investigate training technologies to enhance education and documentation for its products.

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NASHVILLE (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - International Paper Tuesday announced it has launched the first comprehensive program to test the economic feasibility of recycling post-consumer paperboard milk and juice cartons on a national

basis.

Initiated on Oct. 16 in Williamson County, Tenn., the program will run through May 31, 1991.

Twenty schools will collect their used polyethylene-coated gable-top cartons for the pilot project. The cartons will be shredded and sanitized locally and then transported to a regional repulping center where the components can be separated into two streams for reuse.

Joseph Rimstidt, International Paper's vice president - liquid packaging, says the company has experience in recycling waste cartons from its own production plants. ''This effort is aimed at applying similar technology to post-consumer cartons.''

A key element of the program, according to Rimstidt, is that it eliminates the need for a local repulping facility. ''By solving that problem, we expect to demonstrate to communities and institutions across the nation that recycling milk and juice cartons makes sense in economic as well as environmental terms.''

Rimstidt points out that the widespread use of the gable-top cartons, which are also gaining popularity for packaging shampoos, detergents and other products, makes them an ideal target for recycling. ''We're looking at recovering about half-a-ton a week of post-consumer pulp from Williamson County alone,'' he says. ''On a national basis, the potential could be as high as 175,000 tons per year if we reach the recycling rate of old newspapers which is currently about 35 percent.''

One ton of pulp is equivalent to about 200,000 sheets of copier paper, 2,500 rolls of paper towels or 3,000 boxes of facial tissue.

International Paper, headquartered in Purchase, N.Y., is a worldwide producer of paper and forest products and the largest producer of liquid packaging board in the world. The company is a major producer of printing and writing papers, paperboard and packaging products, and wood products. The company also operates specialty businesses and distributes paper and wood products. International Paper has manufacturing operations in 22 countries and exports its products from the United States to more than 70 nations.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - An estimated 14% increase in sales and orders and a ''significant reduction in losses'' were forecast for Siemens Corp. Tuesday by Dr. Horst Langer, the company's chairman and chief executive officer.

Siemens Corp., New York, is the shareholding company in the United States for the U.S. companies of Siemens AG, the $40 billion German electronics/electrical equipment company.

Preliminary figures of Siemens Corp. for the 1989/90 fiscal year (10/1/89 - 9/30/90) indicate the company had total U.S. sales of approximately $4 billion compared with $3.6 last year, with orders totaling some $4.2 billion up from $3.8 billion in 1988/89. In addition, Langer indicated the company could show a ''significant reduction'' in the DM572.5 million losses reported last year.

In remarks delivered to a group of European journalists today, Langer underscored the company's continuing commitment to the U.S. market. The target, he stated, is that by the end of the decade, sales in the U.S. should be in the range of 20% of total Siemens' sales. In the last decade, Siemens has grown substantially in the U.S. market by 23% per annum. The company grew in the last five years by 17%, more than half of which was achieved by internal growth.

Siemens has eight operating companies with approximately 29,000 employees. Including joint ventures, the number exceeds 35,000. The company achieved more than 80% of its sales from domestic manufacturing and local content. Approximately 15% of sales have been derived from exports. The company spent more than $400 million for research and development in the last fiscal year and has 2,000 people engaged in these activities.

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LAGUARDIA AIRPORT, NY (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Earnings and revenues for the third quarter and first nine months ended Sept. 30 were records for FlightSafety International (NYSE:FSI).

For the third quarter, net income rose 17 percent to $18,910,000, equal to 55 cents per share from $16,131,000, or 47 cents per share, in the 1989 quarter.

Third quarter revenues increased 26 percent to $72,443,000 from $57,359,000 a year ago.

Depreciation and amortization in the third quarter rose 20 percent to

$7,951,000 from $6,640,000 in the corresponding 1989 period.

Nine months earnings increased 37 percent to a record $63,935,000 equal to $1.87 per share from $46,692,000, or $1.37 per share, in the first nine months of 1989.

Effective Jan. 1, 1990, FlightSafety adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 96 - ''Accounting for Income Taxes.'' Accordingly, the method of computing deferred income taxes was changed to the method prescribed in SFAS No. 96.

The 1990 first nine months net income was increased by $9,011,000, or 26 cents per share, caused by the reduction in deferred taxes recorded in prior years for the differences between the book and tax return expenses and changes in tax rates.

Results for the first nine months include a first quarter pre-tax loss of $5,885,000 from the sale of marketable securities.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30 increased 24 percent to $207,676,000 from $168,148,000 in the 1989 period.

Depreciation and amortization in the first nine months rose 16 percent to $22,456,000 from $19,292,000 in the corresponding 1989 period.

All areas of this high technology aviation, marine and power training company contributed to higher earnings and revenues, according to Albert L. Ueltschi, president and chief executive officer.

Substantial sales increases were achieved in the quarter and for the nine months by the Simulation Systems division due primarily to demand for flight simulators from overseas airlines.

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REDMOND, WA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. Tuesday reported revenues of $369.4 million for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991, which ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 57 percent increase over the $235.2 million for the same period of fiscal 1990.

Net income for the quarter was $87.6 million, an increase of 77 percent over the $49.6 million for the corresponding period of fiscal 1990. Earnings per share were 71 cents as compared to 43 cents a year ago.

In business activity during the quarter, IBM has reaffirmed its relationship with Microsoft by extending licensing agreements for DOS, Windows and OS/2. The development of OS/2 was streamlined by having each company focus on certain products.

IBM and Microsoft will provide a family of PC operating systems and graphical operating environments that are compatible and scalable from entry-level to high-end, advanced PCs. Microsoft will continue to develop Windows and DOS and be the primary developer for OS/2 version 3.x. IBM will have the primary role for developing OS/2 versions 1.x and 2.x, with assistance from Microsoft. All these products will be cross licensed by both companies.

In product activity during the quarter, Microsoft began shipping two products that represent a major advance in our networking business:

-- Microsoft LAN Manager version 2.0, a comprehensive networking system that provides powerful tools for administration, security, and fault tolerance. Microsoft LAN Manager is the foundation of Microsoft's networking line of products.

-- Microsoft SQL Server version 1.1, a high-performance relational database management system for local area networks. SQL Server, developed jointly with Sybase Inc., allows for the creation of sophisticated ''client-server'' applications that bring advanced new capabilities to developers of local area networking systems.

In other product news, IBM selected the Microsoft Works integrated software package to be included with every IBM PS/1 personal computer. The PS/1, designed for the growing home market, is now available nationwide.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ:MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of microcomputer software for business and professional use, including operating systems, languages and application programs, as well as books, hardware and CD ROM products for the microcomputer marketplace.

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WAYNE, NJ (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - American Cyanamid Co. announced Tuesday higher sales in the third quarter of 1990, a gain from the divestment of its Shulton business and increased net earnings for the quarter vs. the same period a year ago.

Worldwide sales in the third quarter of 1990 were $1.1 billion, up 9 percent from the $965 million in the same period last year.

Net earnings, including the gain on the divestment of the Shulton business, were $94 million, or 99 cents per share, compared with $61 million, or 65 cents per share, in the same period last year.

During the third quarter, as previously announced, Cyanamid completed the sales of various product lines comprising its Shulton Group for approximately $850 million. The resulting net gain of $248 million, or $2.59 per share, has been reported in discontinued operations. Earnings from discontinued operations in the third quarter of 1989 were $10 million, or 11 cents per share.

Also during the quarter, Cyanamid provided, on a pre-tax basis, about $290 million, primarily for special costs associated with plans to curtail and consolidate certain product lines; to reduce the carrying value of certain assets to estimated realizable amounts, including investments in subsidiaries and affiliates; and for increased environmental remediation costs, primarily in the chemicals business.

Costs related to plans to reduce employee population also are included. After tax benefits, these special costs reduced earnings from continuing operations and net earnings by about $206 million, or $2.15 per share, resulting in a third quarter 1990 loss from continuing operations of $154 million, or $1.60 per share, compared to earnings from continuing operations of $51 million, or 54 cents per share, in the same period last year.

Cyanamid's Medical Group achieved higher sales in the third quarter, led by ethical pharmaceuticals, biological products, consumer health products and medical devices. Excluding the special costs, operating earnings of the Group were lower than the same period a year ago, due to heavy promotional expenses associated with the introduction of new products.

Although the major portion of the selling cycle for Cyanamid's Agricultural Group occurs in the first six months of the year, worldwide sales of the group were higher in the third quarter compared to the same period last year with crop protection chemicals and animal nutrition and health products contributing to the performance. Excluding the special costs, operating results of the group were lower than last year.

Sales of the company's Chemicals Group were about the same as last year. Operating results of the group, excluding the special costs, were lower due to the general softening of the U.S. economy, causing weakness in key markets served by the group, increased raw materials and energy costs due to the Persian Gulf crisis and operating losses from its Formica business in Latin America.

Nine months sales rose 7 percent to $3.4 billion vs. $3.2 billion a year ago. Net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were up 17 percent to $296 million, or $3.10 per share, from $254 million, or $2.71 per share, in the same period last year.

Discontinued operations for the first nine months of 1990 were $245 million, or $2.56 per share compared to $27 million, or 29 cents per share in the same period of 1989.

Earnings from continuing operations for the first nine months of 1990 were $51 million, or 54 cents per share compared to $227 million, or $2.42 per share last year.

Earnings from continuing operations and net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 include special costs of about $206 million, or $2.15 per share.

Cyanamid is a research-based biotechnology and chemical company which develops medical, agricultural and chemical products and manufactures and markets them throughout the world.

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WESTCHESTER COUNTY, NY (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Peoples Westchester Savings Bank (NASDAQ:PWSB) Tuesday declared its eighth consecutive quarterly cash dividend since initiating dividend payments in November 1988.

''A cash dividend of 12 cents per common share will be paid on Nov. 16, 1990 to shareholders of record as of November 1st,'' announced Bank Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer, William F. Olson. ''At a time when the economy and real estate market are experiencing continued weakness, we are especially pleased that we have been able to sustain our policy of paying quarterly dividends.''

Insured by the FDIC through the Bank Insurance Fund (BIF), Peoples Westchester is a $1.7 billion New York State-chartered community bank with 27 offices serving those who live and work in Westchester County.

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NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Nineteen more companies have joined a multivendor effort to ensure interoperability of products supporting frame relay -- the new high performance data networking technology.

The following companies Tuesday announced their support for a common specification for frame relay connections to link customer premises equipment to networking equipment:

ACC -- Advanced Computer Communications
Ascend Communications Inc.
BBN Communications
CrossComm Corp.
Frame Relay Technology Inc.
Gateway Communications Inc.
Hughes Network Systems
Netrix Corp.
Newbridge Networks
Promptus Communications Inc.
RAD Network Devices Inc.
Sync Research
Telematics International Inc.
Teleos Communications Inc.
3Com Corp.
Timplex
Vitalink Communication Corp.
Wellfleet Communications Inc.
Zilog

The common specification was originally announced on Sept. 4 by cisco Systems, Digital Equipment Corp., Northern Telecom, and StrataCom. It is based on the standard frame relay interface proposed by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) T1S1 standards committee.

The common specification supports the proposed ANSI standard and, in addition, defines extensions to that standard, including a Local Management Interface that allows the exchange of control information between the user device and the frame relay network equipment.

The specification is open to all vendors and will evolve to comply with frame relay standards as they become fixed through the efforts of ANSI.

The initial four companies invited other frame relay vendors to review the specification and to join their effort to solidify the industry around a common implementation of the frame relay standard.

They said that multivendor support for a common standard would provide assurance of product compatibility to network managers and would form a basis

for all suppliers to facilitate interoperability for their products.

The joint specification is available for review from cisco Systems, Digital Equipment Corp., Northern Telecom, and StrataCom.

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OVERLAND PARK, KS (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Puritan-Bennett reported earnings of 35 cents per share and a recovery in hospital equipment orders for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, chairman and president Burton A. Dole Jr. announced Tuesday.

Third quarter orders of $61,808,000 and sales of $61,603,000 were up 10.3 percent and 5.5 percent, respectively, over the same period last year. Earnings of $3,967,000 were essentially the same as last year's third quarter, which also translated to 35 cents per share.

Year-to-date orders of $185,276,000 and sales of $186,729,000 established new records and were up 9.2 percent and 10.5 percent, respectively, over the same period last year. Year-to-date earnings of $11,893,000, or $1.04 per share, were down 4.4 percent from last year's first nine months, which translated to $1.10 per share.

''We were particularly pleased with the recovery of Bennett Group orders, which during the third quarter were up over 20 percent from the same period last year,'' Dole said. ''Unit orders for our 7200 series microprocessor ventilator were up 20 percent in the United States and 26 percent internationally compared with last year's third quarter.

''These orders exceeded third quarter shipments by 14 percent, helping to replenish backlog. Bennett Group orders also benefited from the growing momentum of our CliniVision respiratory department management information system whose year-to-date orders have more than doubled the levels during the same period last year,'' the chairman added.

''We were also pleased with the success of our efforts to reduce non-R&D SG&A spending from second quarter levels,'' the chairman continued.

''We continue to invest in our important continuous arterial blood gas monitoring project, which alone accounts for an earnings difference of 16 cents per share between this and last year to date,'' the chairman concluded.

Puritan-Bennett is a world leader in products related to respiration. These products are used in multiple health care settings and on aircraft.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Occidental Petroleum Corp. Tuesday announced third quarter net income of $109 million (36 cents per share) on sales of $5.4 billion in 1990, compared with net income of $108 million (39 cents per share) on sales of $4.8 billion for the third quarter of 1989.

The 1990 results included an after-tax charge of $16 million associated with the previously announced settlement in the Wyoming Tight Sands litigation, partially offset by an after-tax gain of $8 million from the sale of domestic gas properties. The third quarter 1990 results also included a net extraordinary loss of $2 million (1 cent per share), which resulted from the early extinguishment of debt, partially offset by the federal income tax benefit realized from the application of a capital loss carryforward to offset capital gains.

The 1989 results included an after-tax gain of $54 million from the sale of various domestic oil and gas properties, and an after-tax charge of $22 million from the restructuring of domestic oil and gas operations. The 1989 results also included a net extraordinary gain of $42 million (15 cents per share), which primarily resulted from the federal income tax benefit realized from the application of a capital loss carryforward to offset capital gains. Oil and gas divisional earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $78 million compared with $17 million for 1989. The 1990 operating results reflected higher worldwide crude oil prices, higher domestic natural gas liquids prices and increased international crude oil volumes, partially offset by lower domestic natural gas prices and volumes.

In addition to the litigation charge and gain on sale of gas properties, the 1990 results included a benefit of $14 million from a lower income tax allocation resulting from the reversal of tax reserves. The 1989 results benefited from the sale of Occidental's interests in the Hartzog Draw Unit and other small oil and gas properties, which was partially offset by the restructuring charge.

Chemical operations reported divisional earnings of $152 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $254 million for 1989. The reduced earnings resulted from lower sales prices in all major product areas, as well as higher feedstock costs in petrochemicals. Partially offsetting the lower sales prices were improved volumes in petrochemicals and polymers and plastics and the benefit of continued cost reductions. The third quarter 1990 earnings also benefited by a $12-million lower income tax allocation resulting from the reversal of tax reserves.

Natural gas transmission operations reported divisional earnings for the third quarter of 1990 of $53 million, compared with $34 million for 1989. The increased earnings for the quarter resulted from income from the new Amarillo/Gulf Coast transmission line which was placed in service during February 1990, as well as continuing benefits of lower operating costs, partially offset by lower transport volumes. The third quarter 1990 earnings also benefited by a $6-million lower income tax allocation as a result of the reversal of tax reserves.

Divisional earnings from agribusiness operations were $29 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $23 million in 1989. The 1990 increase reflected higher beef sales prices and higher beef and pork volumes, partially offset by higher live cattle and hog costs.

Coal operations reported an increase in divisional earnings for the third quarter of 1990 to $3 million, from a loss of $2 million in 1989, reflecting higher sales prices. The third quarter of 1989 was also impacted by unauthorized work stoppages.

As previously disclosed, the Internal Revenue Service has completed audits of Occidental and certain of its subsidiaries through 1985. As a result, certain income tax reserves are no longer deemed necessary and are being reversed in 1990, the effect of which is being reflected as a reduction of the effective tax rate applied to each quarter. Most of the benefit recorded in the 1990 third quarter earnings has been allocated to the operating divisions.

For the first nine months of 1990, Occidental's net income totaled $306 million, compared with $255 million in 1989. Sales were $15.6 billion in the first nine months of 1990, compared with $15 billion in the same period in 1989. Divisional earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $1.0 billion compared with $1.1 billion for 1989. Earnings per share were $1.03 for the first nine months of 1990, compared with 93 cents per share for the 1989 period.

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WILMINGTON, MASS. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - At the continuation of the annual meeting of stockholders of Kevlin Microwave Corp. (NASDAQ:KVLM) held Tuesday pursuant to a resolution of adjournment adopted on Oct. 2, the stockholders approved a proposal to amend the Company's Articles of Organization calling for an increase in the authorized number of shares of Common Stock from four million shares to eight million shares and establishing a new class of preferred stock, consisting of two million shares authorized.

Kevlin Microwave Corp. is a leading supplier of microwave rotary couplers and high frequency connectors and components which are sold to the major manufacturers of modern radar and communications systems.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Eli Lilly and Co. Tuesday reported record sales and earnings for the third quarter of 1990.

Sales were $1.282 billion, an increase of 29 percent over the same period last year. Third-quarter net income rose 21 percent, to a record $257 million. Earnings per share were 90 cents, an increase of 23 percent over the same period one year ago.

In discussing the company's third-quarter results, Lilly Board Chairman Richard D. Wood said, ''The record third-quarter performance resulted from sales growth in each of the company's operations. Higher unit volumes were achieved in both domestic and international markets, with exchange rate comparisons also favorably influencing international sales.''

Worldwide sales of pharmaceutical products were significantly higher than those of the third quarter of last year. Important contributors to sales growth were Axid, Ceclor, Dobutrex, Humatrope, Humulin, Prozac, and Vancocin HCl.

Each of the medical devices and diagnostics companies reported strong increases in third-quarter sales, led by Advanced Cardiovascular Systems Inc. Also, during the quarter, Devices for Vascular Intervention Inc., received U.S. Food and Drug Administration approval to market the Simpson Coronary AtheroCath. The AtheroCath is the first device of its kind that cuts, captures, and removes plaque from coronary arteries.

Sales of animal health products were slightly higher than in the third quarter of last year.

Sales and net income for the first nine months of the year reached record levels. Sales rose 24 percent, to $3.748 billion. Net income totaled $872 million, an increase of 22 percent. Year-to-date earnings per share were $2.99 up 22 percent from 1989.

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BLIUE BELL, PA. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Castle Energy Corp. (NASDAQ:CECX) announced Tuesday that the crude unit at its refinery in Lawrenceville, Ill., has started operation.

Joseph L. Castle II, president and CEO of Castle Energy Corp., said, ''The start up of the Lawrenceville refinery of which Castle Energy owns 92.5 percent, was right on target.''

Castle noted that the company anticipates that the refinery and all downstream facilities will reach full operating capability of 55,000 barrels per day in November.

Castle is an independent energy company with headquarters in Blue Bell, Pa. The company has exploration and production offices in Pittsburgh and Tulsa, Okla. The company also has an interest in the GAMXX refinery in Theodore, Ala.

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NEW CANAAN, CT (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Century Communications announced results of the quarter ending Aug. 31, 1990 Tuesday.

Total revenues for the first quarter were $66,039,000, up 21.9 percent over the $54,165,000 in the comparable 1989 quarter. Operating income before depreciation and amortization was equal to 51.6 percent of revenues or $34,058,000, an increase of $7,570,000 over the $26,488,000 of the first quarter of 1989.

The loss for the quarter was $16,340,000, or 25 cents per share, compared to a loss of $14,409,000, or 22 cents per share, for the same quarter in 1989.

Century operates 55 cable television systems in 24 states and Puerto Rico serving approximately 866,000 primary basic subscribers. Century also owns and operates four radio stations and owns all or a majority interest in, 11 cellular telephone systems which serve markets with a population of approximately 2,350,000.

Century Communications Corp.

Financial Highlights

	1990 Qtr. Ending 8/31/90	1989 Qtr. Ending 8/31/89	Pct. Change
Revenues	$66,039,000	$54,165,000	21.9 pct.
Operating income before deprec. and amortization	34,058,000	26,488,000	28.6 pct.
Operating income after deprec. and amortization	5,434,000	3,320,000	63.7 pct.
Tax benefit	7,654,000	6,858,000	10.4 pct.
Net loss	$16,340,000	$14,409,000	13.4 pct.
Earnings (loss) per share	$ (.25)	$ (.22)	
Average number of shares outstanding	65,347,565	65,226,000	

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Cash America Investments Inc. (NYSE) announced Tuesday third quarter earnings.

Daniel R. Feehan, president, reported today that third quarter earnings for 1990 were $2,254,000, an increase of $411,000 or 22 percent from the $1,843,000 reported for the same quarter last year. Net earnings per share for the quarter were $.19, an increase of $.03 or 19 percent over the $.16 per share reported for the third quarter of last year. Revenues for the quarter were $28.0 million as compared to $21.8 million for last year's third quarter, an increase of $6.2 million or 28 percent.

Net earnings for the current nine-month period were $6,015,000, an increase of $1,250,000 or 26 percent from the $4,765,000 reported for the nine months ended September 30, 1989. Earnings per share for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 were $.50 per share, an increase of 28 percent from the $.39 per share reported for the 1989 nine-month period. Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $81.2 million as compared to $60.9 million last year, an increase of $20.3 million or 33 percent.

Feehan explained that the company's continued improvement in earnings and revenues is due to internal growth in earning assets (loans and inventory) since year-end and expansion of new locations through acquisitions and new start-ups. Earning assets since December 31, 1989 have grown $13.0 million or 32 percent, including $2.3 million in earning assets acquired.

Feehan also reported that the company added a net 13 locations during the current quarter. This brings the net locations added since year-end to 23, with 15 acquisitions, 12 new start-ups and four locations combined with other existing locations. The company closed out the current quarter with 146 locations operating in the state of Texas, Louisiana, Tennessee, Oklahoma, Georgia and Florida. The company's stock is now traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol PWN.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Reflecting the recent sharp decline in world stock markets, Worldwide Value Fund, Inc.'s (NYSE: VLU) net asset value (NAV) at September 30, 1990 was $14.81 per share against $21.99 per share a year earlier and was off from $19.03 per share at June 30, 1990.

VLU's total return (NAV appreciation/depreciation and dividends) for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990 was a negative 20.4 pct. and 19.9 pct., respectively.

The fund's performance was affected by weakening global economic conditions, surging oil prices, and tensions arising from the warlike situation in the Middle East, which has led to one of the most punishing quarters major stock markets have endured in over two decades.

Net investment income for the value-oriented fund in the September 1990 quarter was $256,000, or $.09 per share, against $84,000, or $.03 per share, a year earlier, and year-to-date was $412,000, or $.14 per share, compared with $285,000, or $.09 per share, for the 1989 initial nine-month period.

As of September 30, 26 percent of VLU's portfolio was represented by investments in the United States, 14 percent was invested in Italy, 11 percent in Spain, and 10 percent in the United Kingdom.

The remainder was invested primarily in other European countries. Charles J. Swindells, VLU Chairman stated, ''We continue to believe that in these uncertain times diversification is a viable and important investment strategy and that VLU represents good diversification, since the fund can invest in many markets, currencies and companies.

'' Furthermore, since VLU invests in securities we consider undervalued, we remain convinced that over an extended period of time, VLU's stock price will eventually reflect more closely its true underlying value.''

Worldwide Value Fund, Inc. was formed in 1986. It is managed by Lombard Odier International Portfolio Management, Ltd. of London, and Legg Mason Fund Adviser, Inc. of Baltimore.

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SAN ANTONIO (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Valero Natural Gas Co., the general partner of Valero Natural Gas Partners L.P. (NYSE:VLP), has declared a quarterly cash distribution of $.625 per unit to holders of the partnership's publicly traded preference units.

A like amount was declared for the partnership's common units held by subsidiaries of Valero Energy Corp., which have an approximate 49 percent interest in the partnership. The distribution is payable Nov. 29 to holders of record at the close of business Nov. 8.

Valero Natural Gas Partners L.P. owns a 7,100-mile intrastate network of natural gas transmission and gathering lines throughout Texas, purchases and sells natural gas to distribution companies, electric utilities, other pipelines and industrial customers throughout the United States, and provides gas transportation services to third parties.

The partnership also owns 10 gas processing facilities and markets natural gas liquids to refineries, petrochemical plants and domestic fuel distributors.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Airlines Monday announced that R. Lamar Durrett has joined the company as executive vice president - administration and personnel.

Durrett joins Continental from Delta Air Lines, where he served most recently as vice president - communications and information services. During his 23 years with Delta, he held management positions in facilities, inflight service technical operations administration, and engineering/technical services.

In his new capacity at Continental, Durrett will have senior management

responsibility for human resources, and management information services and related technology areas, including Continental's relationship with its CRS co- providers. Durrett holds a bachelor's from Auburn University in building construction.

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. (ASE: SBN) Tuesday announced that, upon the unanimous recommendation of the special committee of the board, consisting of two independent directors, the board has determined to express no opinion as to whether the company's stockholders should accept or reject the previously announced offer by a subsidiary of Pier 1 Imports Inc. to acquire through a cash tender offer at a price of $12 per share all of the outstanding common stock of the company not owned by such subsidiary.

In reaching this determination, the board considered a number of factors, including the recommendation of the special committee and the opinion of the financial advisor to the special committee that the value of the common stock held by stockholders other than Pier 1 and its subsidiary is between approximately $11 and $15 per share.

A more detailed description of such matters is contained in the company's Schedule 14D-9 Solicitation/Recommendation Statement filed Tuesday with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. is the dominant nursery enterprise in six of the 11 largest lawn and garden markets in the United States, with 96 stores that feature nursery stock and lawn and garden supplies. The company's common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol ''SBN.''

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TAMPA, FL (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Eastern Environmental Services Inc. (NASDAQ:EESI) Tuesday announced it has signed a definitive purchase agreement to acquire a South Carolina landfill permitted for construction and demolition debris, tires, plastics, asbestos, fiberglass and other special wastes.

Permitted capacity for the site exceeds four million cubic yards and could

easily be expanded to 10 million cubic yards. Acquisition could occur within 30 days subject to company due diligence items and regulatory approval.

EESI is currently negotiating the acquisition of existing landfills in New York, Michigan, North Carolina and Georgia as part of its strategy to continue expansion of its landfill, waste collection and waste hauling operations. The company owns several landfills and waste hauling operations serving a 12 state area.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Hybritech Inc. announced Tuesday that its third-quarter sales were $29.4 million, and gross profits were $18.2 million.

Sales and gross profits declined, compared with the third quarter of 1989 when Hybritech had a $12 million nonrecurring item. Without this nonrecurring item last year, third-quarter 1990 sales would have increased 31 percent.

Unit volume increases resulted in higher product sales in both domestic and international markets when compared with the same period last year. The increase continues to be led by the growth in sales of cancer diagnostic products.

Sales for the first nine months reached $89.6 million, a gain of 12 percent. Gross profits increased 5 percent during the same period, to $55.2 million.

Hybritech is a subsidiary of Eli Lilly and Company.

HYBRITECH INC.
(unaudited)

	THIRD QUARTER			FIRST NINE MONTHS		
	1990	1989	1988	1990	1989	1988
	(Millions)			(Millions)		
SALES	$29.4	$34.4	$18.7	$89.6	$80.0	$54.8
GROSS PROFITS	$18.2	$25.8	$11.6	$55.2	$52.4	$31.1

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HOUSTON (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Swift Energy Co. (ASE, PSE:SFY), announced

Tuesday that it has entered into agreements to purchase oil and gas properties located in Oklahoma, Louisiana and Texas for an aggregate purchase price of $28.6 million.

These purchases were made in conjunction with the company's continuing business of offering units in income and pension limited partnerships.

During the third quarter ended Sept. 30, partnership subscriptions totalled $10.6 million and compared favorably to $7.7 million in the second quarter of 1990 and to $10.1 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Total subscriptions to partnerships and joint ventures through the nine months ended Sept. 30 totalled approximately $43.5 million.

As managing general partner of limited partnerships, Swift Energy receives from 5.5 percent to 13.5 percent of the net revenues from any properties acquired. Financial statement purposes, Swift recognizes its pro rata interest in the properties when they are purchased by the limited partnerships.

The properties to be acquired include interests in 361 gross (42.4 net) oil and gas wells located in Acadia and Jackson Parishes, Louisiana; Canadian, Custer and Roger Mills Counties, Oklahoma; and 11 counties in Texas. Swift and its independent consultants estimate that the purchased interest in these properties have proved net working interest reserves of approximately 39.5 billion cubic feet of natural gas and 766,000 barrels of oil as of Oct. 1.

Due to the level of recent property acquisitions, substantially all of the partnership funds raised in the third quarter of 1990 will be invested immediately in producing properties, and will enable immediate purchase of property interest at the end of the fourth quarter upon formation of partnerships currently being offered under the company's public income and pension fund offerings.

Swift Energy Co. is an independent oil and gas company primarily engaged in the acquisition, exploration, development and operation of oil and gas properties through partnerships and joint ventures.

The company also offers directly geological consultation and prospect generation services.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp.'s new advanced graphical spreadsheet, 1-2-3 Release 3.1, is gaining strong acceptance as businesses including Amoco, American Cyanamid, and Fireman's Fund Mortgage upgrade users and add the new application to their standards lists.

Distributors and resellers are reporting brisk sales of 1-2-3 Release 3.1 and positive customer reaction to Lotus' new in-store Instant Upgrade program, which began with the shipment of 1-2-3 Release 3.1 in September.

''The early momentum we're seeing for Release 3.1 results from several factors '' said Frank King, senior vice president of Lotus' Software Business Group. ''It's a graphical spreadsheet that millions of people already know how to use and can run on today's PCs. It delivers the analytical capabilities our customers require to run their businesses and allows them to choose the operating system that best meets their needs -- DOS or DOS with Windows 3.0.''

The controllers department at Amoco Corporation has the largest number of spreadsheet users within the company. According to John Flynn, manager of Accounting Systems for Amoco, ''We've been working with Release 3.1 since July as a Lotus beta site and the department is now upgrading to the product. The product's ability to easily produce finished copy for senior management and the excellent analytical capabilities already in Release 3.0 means it's time for us to move from Release 2.2 to Release 3.1. Our users are excited about Release 3.1's easy-to-use spreadsheet publishing capabilities and new graphical interface.''

American Cyanamid, a New Jersey-based Fortune 500 company, has begun the process of installing 1-2-3 Release 3.1 within their corporate divisions. The product will be used for a variety of critical tasks, ranging from departmental and divisional budgeting to report generation and presentations to senior management. According to Elaine Zolty, an information center analyst at American Cyanamid, ''We chose 1-2-3 Release 3.1 because it builds upon the 3D organization and consolidation benefits of Release 3.0, offering the analytical tools we require combined with great spreadsheet publishing.''

Fireman's Fund Mortgage is upgrading many of its 1-2-3 users to Release 3.1. According to Joyce LeMaster, a training and support consultant for Fireman's Fund Mortgage, ''We are extremely impressed with Release 3.1's spreadsheet publishing capabilities and presentation-quality output. Our users are very excited about the product's ease of use, WYSIWYG display and print preview capabilities, as well as its compatibility with prior versions of 1-2-3.''

Distributors and resellers are reporting strong demand and initial sales of 1-2-3 Release 3.1. For example, Soft Warehouse, a major reseller of computer hardware and software applications, sold out of its stock of Release 3.1 in less than three days.

''Early indications are that Release 3.1 is selling extremely well -- surpassing our initial expectations for the product,'' said Bruce Fredrickson, vice president of marketing for Ingram Micro D. ''Our resellers are responding to strong end-user demand and are already re-ordering additional units.''

Software Spectrum, a Dallas-based corporate reseller, is seeing a high level of customer enthusiasm for 1-2-3 Release 3.1. According to Richard Sims, founder and president of Software Spectrum, ''1-2-3 Release 3.1 delivers the features my customers are looking for -- spreadsheet publishing, mouse support and compatibility with Windows 3.0.''

With Lotus' Instant Upgrade program at participating resellers including Businessland, Computerland, Egghead Discount Software, and Soft Warehouse, Lotus customers may upgrade to 1-2-3 Release 3.1 and 2.2 by simply turning in the original title page of their 1-2-3 reference manual. This instant access to Release 3.1 is available at more than 600 computer specialty stores nationwide.

In addition to advertising and direct mail, resellers are offering nationwide introductory product seminars, promotional programs such as mouse giveaways and demonstration copies of 1-2-3 Release 3.1.

1-2-3 Release 3.1 is a major update to the best-selling 1-2-3 that provides an easy-to-use, WYSIWYG graphical work environment combined with powerful analytic tools and advanced spreadsheet publishing. In addition to providing a true 3D work environment for easier spreadsheet organization and consolidation, Release 3.1 is the only spreadsheet that allows users to automatically compress print to fit on a single page, use a built-in mini word processor, automatically wrap text around a graph, and place more than 96 type styles in a single worksheet.

Lotus Development Corp. (NASDAQ:LOTS) develops, markets and supports business software that helps users access, analyze, communicate, and share information. Founded in 1982, the company's first product, Lotus 1-2-3, is the most popular personal computer software program in the world with more than 12 million users. Lotus markets its broad range of products in more than 65 countries and offers users comprehensive support options, including 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week support in the U.S. for PC versions of its 1-2-3 spreadsheet.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - CBIS and BancTec Systems Inc., have entered into a co-marketing and technology sharing agreement to market an imaging solution which interfaces check images captured by BancTec's ImageFIRST 5500 system to CBIS's ImageBanc image statement application.

ImageFIRST 5500 is a second-generation high-speed image system designed for multi-application document processing. With the system, users are able to improve funds availability, achieve significant cost savings, reduce paper handling, and increase quality and productivity in remittance, sales draft, and check processing environments.

ImageBanc is the banking industry's first installed and proven IBM host-based image item processing application system. ImageBanc provides banking customers with easy-to-read, ''checkless'' image account statements. By offering an image statement, bankers can attract new customers, increase fee income, reduce postage and check-handling costs and enhance customer loyalty.

The solution is not limited to check processing. In the future, it can be adapted to other document processing environments, such as credit card processing, loan document management, trust document management, lock box services and cash management services.

BancTec Systems Inc., a subsidiary of Dallas-based BancTec Inc., provides products that employ state-of-the-art document processing, optical character recognition, magnetic ink character recognition, and image processing technologies to read, digitize, encode, sort and process financial documents.

CBIS, a subsidiary of Cincinnati Bell Inc., provides information management solutions to financial, telecommunications and government entities. Its Composed Applications group specializes in image and document management applications and is an industry leader in providing mainframe, open-ended image processing solutions.

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LINCOLN, NE (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Terrano Corp. (NASDAQ:TRNO) announced Tuesday that Humana Inc. (NYSE:HUM) purchased a fully paid-up license for the ILS-5 Laboratory Information System and twelve additional Terrano enhancement modules including Laboratory Management, Preventive Maintenance, Automated Results Reporting, Remote Results Reporting, Advanced Microbiology, Advanced Calculations, Advanced Formatter, Query Language/Report Writer, Blood Bank Inventory, Transfusion Service Manager, Anatomic Surgical Information Retrieval

System and Terrano's Generic Instrument Interface.

The agreement provides for three years of Software Support Services plus options for paid-up licenses on Terrano's Distributed Laboratory System Interface, Personal Computer Interface and Remote User Network. It also provides for hardware to be purchased from Terrano.

The total value of this agreement, including software and hardware, will exceed several million dollars over the next three years.

Humana, based in Louisville, Ky., owns and/or operates more than 80 acute care hospitals throughout the United States. According to the Sept. 24, 1990 issue of ''Healthweek,'' Humana Inc. is the third largest investor owned hospital management company in the country with 17,584 beds under management. Terrano initially contracted with Humana in 1983 for the delivery of individual hospital laboratory information systems.

Fifteen ILS-5 Systems, including a variety of Terrano enhancement modules, have been installed in Humana hospitals to date plus a comprehensive system installed at Humana's corporate headquarters. In December 1989, Humana's Laboratory User Committee recommended that Humana reanalyze the LIS marketplace because it has been six years since they had done so.

Humana subsequently sent Requests For Proposals (RFP's) to 21 laboratory information system vendors. Terrano was selected as Humana's exclusive vendor of laboratory information systems after this extensive review of the LIS industry.

The agreement will allow Humana to install ILS-5 systems in any or all of its remaining hospitals on either the Prime Computer Inc. 50-Series or IBM AS/400 Series hardware platforms. The existing 16 Humana ILS-5 sites utilize the Prime 50-Series platform.

''This agreement is a major achievement and a strong vote of confidence for our company,'' said James Terrano, president and chief executive officer of Terrano Corp. ''Humana is truly a leader in the healthcare provider industry and knows the value of innovative systems backed by viable companies,'' he added.

Arthur C. Brown, director of Data Systems Procurement for Humana Inc., said, ''We picked the ILS-5 as our LIS in 1983 because of its efficient and comprehensive handling of laboratory data and its price performance compared to other vendors' systems.

''When we looked at the marketplace again this year, we found that Terrano still had the system best suited to Humana's needs.''

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Champion International Corporation Tuesday reported fully diluted third quarter earnings per share of 59 cents, down from $1.06 a year ago and 60 cents last quarter, which included a net eight cent-per-share gain for non-recurring items.

Third quarter net income of $62 million was down from $102 million a year ago and $63 million in the second quarter.

The company said its paper business showed steady overall improvement during the quarter but that markets for its building products were poor both in the U.S. and in Canada.

For the first nine months, fully diluted per share earnings were $1.86 and net income was $196 million. In 1989, nine-month earnings per share were $3.38 and net income was $329 million.

Third quarter income from operations in the company's paper segment of $163 million was off from $168 million in last year's third quarter but up substantially from the second quarter figure of $75 million, which included $43 million of non-recurring expense in connection with several modernization projects.

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WESTBURY, NY (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - E-Z-EM Inc. (NASDAQ:EZEM) Tuesday announced net sales of $18,013,000 and a net loss of $78,000, or 1 cent net loss per common share, for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 1.

In the prior year's first quarter, the company reported net sales of $21,171,000 and net earnings of $1,101,000, or 26 cents per share.

Net sales for the current quarter decreased $3,158,000, or 15 cents, as compared to the prior year. The decline in sales is due primarily to the reclassification of Lafayette product sales of $1,648,000 to other income (expense) in connection with the planned disposition of this business, as well as a decline in Nucleotome sales of $830,000 and custom contract pharmaceutical sales of $403,000.

The current quarter's results include a provision, before tax, of $1.5 million

($945,000 after tax or 12 cents per share), relating to the recall of products containing inflatable latex cuffs. This before tax reserve is included in cost of goods sold and represents an estimate of the costs associated with the implementation of the product recall announced on Oct. 5.

''In recent months a number of articles have been published concerning a noted increase in allergic reactions to latex products,'' said Daniel R. Martin, president and chief operating officer of E-Z-EM. ''This, in part, prompted us to issue a Medical Alert letter in May of this year reminding the medical community of the possibility of such reactions when using products that utilize natural latex components, such as retention enema tips.

''Evidence accumulating since May suggests that water-soluble proteins found in natural latex may trigger severe allergic reactions. Therefore, in voluntary cooperation with the United States Food and Drug Administration (''FDA''), the company recalled all of its latex-containing products.''

''Further, the company has filed necessary paperwork, known as a 510k, with the FDA to provide an alternative retention tip to the marketplace utilizing non latex material. We expect to receive approval from the FDA by fiscal year end. In the interim, we are supplying non retention enema tips to the medical community.''

Research and development expenses increased 61 percent in the current quarter to $1,629,000 from $1,014,000 due to projects in the field of interventional radiology of $374,000 and in the surgical division of $192,000. During the quarter clinical testing continued in the use of carbon dioxide as a contrast agent in peripheral vascular studies and the use of an accelerated fibrinolysis device for quick dissolution of peripheral blood clots.

One R&D project was commercialized: the first sale of Percupump 1A, a new model injector used in Computed Tomography (CT) procedures, occurred late in the quarter. Research and development expenditures are expected to continue at or exceed current levels and significant revenues resulting from commercialization are not anticipated during this fiscal year.

The company's product recall reserve coupled with increased diagnostic products operating expenses and reduced contribution from Surgical Dynamics Inc., a 51 percent owned subsidiary, accounted for approximately 80 percent of the decline in net earnings in the quarter.

At first quarter end, approximately 57 percent of the company's assets consist of inventories, accounts receivable, other marketable investments and certificates of deposit and cash.

The current ratio is 4.20 to 1, with net working capital of $30,883,000.

E-Z-EM is a leading manufacturer and distributor of diagnostic imaging and

other health care products.

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NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Hibernia Corp. (NYSE: HIB) Tuesday announced 1990 third quarter net income of $5.0 million, or $.18 per share.

Net income for the third quarter of 1989 was $17.2 million, or $.64 on a per share basis.

Hibernia also today declared a cash dividend of $.15 per share compared to $.25 per share in the previous quarter.

''The banking industry and Hibernia are heavily concentrating efforts on strengthening the balance sheet and collecting problem loans,'' said Martin C. Miler, chairman of Hibernia Corp. ''This priority is designed to position us for improved forward earning capabilities, and Hibernia management is focused and committed to accomplishing this objective as swiftly as conditions permit.''

''Toward that end, we have reduced earnings by building our reserve for possible loan losses and lowered the cash dividend to strengthen our capital base going forward,'' Miler said.

Hibernia's loan loss reserve at quarter-end totalled $118.5 million, which was 2.26 percent of total loans and 96.8 percent of non-performing loans. Total non-performing assets amounted to $156.1 million, including the $122.4 million in non-performing loans.

The dividend is payable November 16 to shareholders of record on November 2. Shares outstanding at the end of the third quarter totalled 27.6 million.

For the first nine months of 1990, Hibernia reported a net loss of $2.8 million, or $.10 per share. Earnings for the same period last year were $47.7 million, or $1.79 per share.

Total assets of the corporation were $7.4 billion at September 30, 1990, compared to assets of $6.3 billion at the end of the third quarter last year. This reflects the combined results of Hibernia Corp.'s Louisiana and Texas bank subsidiaries.

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ALBANY, NY (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Home & City Savings Bank (NASDAQ:HCSB) Tuesday reported net income of $1.7 million, or 57 cents per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

This compares with net income of $1.3 million, or 45 cents per share, in the year-ago quarter.

Year-to-date net income was $4.8 million, or $1.67 per share, which compares with net income of $5.1 million, or $1.77 per share, for the same period in the prior year.

John J. Brunner, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said, ''Despite adverse economic conditions, we have been able to increase reserves and maintain earnings. In addition, we have increased the dividend which provides a stronger yield on our shareholders' investment.''

Home & City's total assets at Sept. 30, were $859.9 million and deposits totaled $745.2 million. Stockholders' equity grew to $96.3 million, resulting in a book value per share of $33.47.

The bank's equity-to-asset ratio was 11.20 percent at Sept. 30, which greatly exceeds current and anticipated regulatory requirements.

The provision for loan losses was $975,000 for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $900,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Net interest income before provision for loan losses was $7.4 million for the quarter, compared with $7.0 million for the year-ago quarter.

The increase in net interest income is largely due to an interest rate spread of 2.95 percent for the third quarter of 1990 as compared to 2.73 percent for the same period in 1989. Non-interest income was $943,000 for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $778,000 for the same period in 1989.

Increases in various fee related income accounted for a majority of the additional non-interest income. Non-interest expense was $4.3 million for the third quarter, compared with $4.4 million for the third quarter of 1989.

The provision for loan losses was $2.2 million for the first nine months of 1990, compared with $1.5 million for the first nine months of 1989. Net interest income before provision for loan losses remained unchanged at $22.1 million for the first nine months of 1990 and 1989.

Non-interest income was $2.8 million for the nine month period ended Sept. 30 compared with $2.5 million for same period a year ago. The increase is

attributable to stronger origination and commitment fees and improvements in other fee income sources. Non-interest expense for the first nine months of 1990 was $13.9 million, compared with $14.4 million for the same period one year ago.

The decrease was due mainly to net gains on real estate owned of $288,000 during 1990, compared with net losses on real estate owned of $232,000 during 1989. In addition, expenses associated with the terminated merger transaction of $586,000 were offset by reductions in general operating expenses.

At Sept. 30, the allowance for loan losses totaled $4.2 million. During the third quarter $975,000 was added to the allowance. The allowance was charged with $581,000 during the quarter, net of recoveries, to recognize losses in the loan portfolio.

Home & City Savings Bank is the largest New York State chartered savings bank headquartered in Albany, providing retail and commercial financial services in upstate New York. Home & City has 2,877,500 shares of common stock outstanding and is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the ticker symbol ''HCSB.''

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WOODBURY, NY (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Research Frontiers Inc. (NASDAQ:REFR/BSE:RFR) announced Tuesday that the rights offering to its shareholders had closed at 5:00 p.m. on Oct. 15 and that the offering had raised approximately $350,000 for the company.

Robert L. Saxe, president of Research Frontiers, said that the company was gratified by the response and confidence shown by its shareholders, especially in view of the recent stock market conditions.

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BIRMINGHAM, ALA. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Central Bancshares of the South Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CBSS) Tuesday reported record third quarter earnings and record earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income per share was 59 cents for the third quarter of 1990 compared to 45 cents for the like period in 1989, a 31 percent increase. Third quarter net income was up 27 percent to $12.3 million in 1990 compared to $9.7 million in 1989.

Net income per share was $1.70 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $1.44 for the like period in 1989, an 18 percent increase. Net income rose from $31.1 million in 1989 to $35.7 million in 1990, a 15 percent increase.

Harry B. Brock Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''At a time of so much negative news about the banking industry, we are especially pleased that Central Bancshares continues to be profitable and strong.'' Brock said that continued growth in earning assets and improved margins over 1989 levels were the major contributors to the record earnings results.

Total assets increased 8 percent to $4.9 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, from $4.5 billion at Sept. 30, 1989.

The increase resulted primarily from a 9 percent increase in loans outstanding to over $3 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, from $2.8 billion a year earlier.

Contributing to the asset growth was a 10 percent increase in the investment portfolio, from $1.2 billion to $1.3 billion. Deposits funded the majority of the increase by growing 11 percent to $3.3 billion from $3.0 billion with shareholders' equity increasing 6 percent to $322.5 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

Annualized return on equity for the first nine months of 1990 was 15.23 percent and return on assets was 1.03 percent.

Shares of Central Bancshares of the South Inc.'s common stock are traded in the NASDAQ national market system under the symbol CBSS.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:CCE) voted to declare a regular quarterly dividend of 1.25 cents per common share.

The quarterly dividend rate is equivalent to an annual dividend of 5 cents per common share.

The dividend is payable January 2, 1991 to shareholders of record on December 19, 1990.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Seitel Inc. (ASE:SEI) Tuesday announced that it expects to report third quarter 1990 revenues of approximately $5.4 million, an increase of approximately 56 percent over third quarter 1989 revenues.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 are estimated at approximately $16.2 million, an increase of approximately 40 percent over revenues during the same period in 1989.

Earnings per share are estimated to increase approximately 57 percent to approximately 22 cents for the third quarter of 1990 compared to 14 cents for the 1989 quarter. Earnings per share are estimated to increase approximately 52 percent to approximately 70 cents for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to 46 cents for the 1989 period.

In making the announcement, Paul A. Frame, Seitel's president, said, ''Seitel's performance in the third quarter and nine months is a result of continued demand for both our existing data base and interest in new data creation projects. The interest has been developed as part of Seitel's strategic plan that was initiated in 1987 and focuses our activities in the Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast regions.

''Although the Persian Gulf crisis has focused the world's attention on increasing oil prices and potential benefits to those companies associated with the oil industry, our revenues and earnings during 1990 to date are directly attributable to our strategic plan.''

Seitel Inc. is engaged in the development of a proprietary seismic data bank and arranging the creation and marketing of seismic data. The analysis of seismic data for the identification and definition of underground geological structures is a principal technique used in oil and gas exploration to determine the existence and location of subsurface hydrocarbons.

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SUFFERN, NY (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Rapitech Systems, Incorporated announced Tuesday its results of operations for the fiscal year ended July 31, l990.

Revenues for the fiscal year ended July 31, l990 increased $788,438 to $1,487,097 from $698,659 for the prior fiscal year. The Company generated a net profit of $27,099 (.01 per share) for the 1990 fiscal year, as compared to a net loss of $1,457,392 ($.42 per share) for the prior fiscal year.

Jeffrey M. Tolk, President of Rapitech, stated that ''The results of operations for the fiscal year ended July 31, l990 demonstrate the acceptance in the marketplace of the value of Rapitech's technology. Although a significant portion of the revenues generated were a consequence of the Company's software licensing agreement with Amdahl Corporation, the Company continues to embark on new enterprises.''

Rapitech Systems, Incorporated is the leading developer of a series of language translation and migration tools, Conversionware, which translates proprietary dialects of Fortran, Cobol, VMS-Fortran and other languages into industry standard 'C' language and 1977 ANSI Fortran language. In addition, the Company offers a full range of consulting services which include custom and turnkey translations on a total project management basis.

Conversionware is a registered trademark of Rapitech Systems, Incorporated.

	Fiscal Year Ended July 31	
	1990	1989
Revenue	$1,487,097	$ 698,659
Total Operating Expenses	$1,477,373	$ 2,146,107
Net Income (Loss)	$ 27,099	$(1,457,392)
Net Earnings (Loss) per Common Share	$.01	($.42)

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Leslie Fay Companies Inc. announced Tuesday that it had achieved record sales and earnings for the 13 and 39 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Net sales were $268,655,000 for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990 and $256,169,000 for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for the 1990 period was $15,427,000, or 81 cents per share, compared to net income of

$13,487,000, or 71 cents per share for the 1989 period.

For the 39 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990 net sales were $657,835,000 and net income was $26,176,000, or $1.37 per share, compared to net sales of $614,518,000 and net income of $23,366,000 or $1.22 per share, for the 39 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1989. The 1990 results reflect the acquisition of the Evelyn Pearson business in May 1990 and the Spitalnick & Co. operations in June 1990 as well as the opening of new divisions.

John J. Pomerantz, chairman and chief executive officer of Leslie Fay stated, ''We are pleased, particularly in this extremely unsettled retail climate, to have been able to continue our strong performance for the third quarter surpassing last year's record breaking third quarter.

''This represented an increase of approximately 14 percent in net income with a 5 percent increase in net sales. In our first three quarters of 1990, our per share net income has exceeded the $1.35 earned during all of 1989. Our sales at regular price of dresses, suits and sportswear have increased and are the primary reason for the improvement in profits for the 13 week period.''

Pomerantz also said, ''The wide acceptance of our products and our strong financial condition should enable us to surmount the challenges and uncertainties which lie ahead. At September 29, 1990, our working capital had increased to $194,365,000 from $150,768,000 at September 30, 1989 and our stockholders' equity amounted to $186,293,000 compared to $156,948,000 at the earlier date.''

Leslie Fay is a leading manufacturer of women's dresses, suits, blouses, sportswear and activewear. It's common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol LES.

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HORSHAM, PA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Frankford Corporation, parent company of Frankford Trust Co., reported earnings for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,171,000, or 40 cents per share, compared with $1,676,000, or 58 cents per share, earned during the third quarter last year. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $2,407,000, or 83 cents per share, compared with $4,544,000, or $1.57 per share, earned in 1989.

Leon H. Layton, president and chief executive officer of the corporation, commented that ''1990 earnings reflect an increased provision for loan losses which recognizes the continued weakening in the local real estate market and in the economy in general.''

During the third quarter, the corporation set aside $800,000 as a provision for loan losses. This provision compares with a third-quarter 1989 provision of $425,000, and brings the provision for the year to date to $3,950,000, compared with $1,075,000 during the same period last year.

Net loan charge-offs for the third quarter amounted to $739,000, compared with $299,000 in 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net charge-offs totaled $3,117,000, compared with $824,000 in 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the reserve for loan losses totaled $4.6 million, or 1.23 percent of total loans and 92.7 percent of non-performing loans, compared with a reserve of $3.8 million, or 1.04 percent of total loans and 67.6 percent of non-performing loans at Dec. 31, 1989.

Tax-equivalent net interest income for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to $17,414,000, compared to $17,358,000 earned in 1989. The net interest margin for the nine-month period was 4.5 percent, compared to 5.08 percent last year.

Non-interest income amounted to $3,237,000, down slightly from $3,492,000 last year, and gains from the sale of mortgages and securities amounted to $271,000 compared to $511,000 earned during the first nine months of last year.

Last year's non-interest income figure included pre-tax income of $387,000 resulting from the sale of the bank's Fifth and Chestnut Street office in September 1989. Non-interest expenses were held to $13,181,000, down from $13,260,000 last year.

At Sept. 30, 1990, The Frankford Corporation's assets totaled $556 million, up 11.1 percent from a year ago. Total deposits increased 11.3 percent to $479 million, and net loans rose 7.9 percent to $373 million.

Frankford Trust Co. has 17 full-service banking offices serving Philadelphia, Bucks, Delaware and Montgomery counties.

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DECATUR, AL. (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - William D. Powell, president of First Federal Savings Bank, Decatur, (NASDAQ/NMS:FFSD) Tuesday reported increased

earnings for the Savings Bank's fourth quarter and year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

''Net income increased over 57 percent in the fourth quarter compared with the same quarter last year as a result of the continued improvement in our net interest income,'' stated Powell. ''During the past year, we have concentrated on improving our net interest margin.

''First Federal's asset position remained strong at year-end. We had no repossessed assets and only a nominal amount of real estate owned at year-end. Our conservative underwriting standards and our limited exposure to construction and commercial loans are contributing factors to the continued high quality of our loan portfolio,'' continued Powell.

Net interest income after the provision for loan losses increased 27.1 percent in the fourth quarter to $1.7 million compared with $1.3 million in the same quarter of fiscal 1989. The improvement in net interest income was due primarily to lower interest expense on deposit accounts.

Net income for the fourth quarter increased to $456,000 compared to $290,000 in the fourth quarter of last year. Net income per share advanced 62.5 percent in the latest quarter to 39 cents compared with 24 cents in the same quarter of fiscal 1989.

For fiscal year 1990, net interest income after the provision for loan losses rose 10.2 percent to $6.3 million compared with $5.7 million for fiscal 1989. Net income increased 12.5 percent to $1.7 million compared with $1.5 million in fiscal 1989. Net income per share rose by 15.3 percent in fiscal 1990 to $1.43 per share compared with $1.24 in the prior year.

''In the fourth quarter, the demand for single family mortgage loans continued to be below last year's level. As a result, we have not been aggressive in bidding for costly jumbo certificates of deposits. Although this has resulted in a slight decline in total deposits, retail deposits increased from last year. This has been a positive factor in our improved net interest margin,'' concluded Powell.

First Federal is a federally chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank operating seven full-service offices in north Alabama. The common stock of First Federal Savings Bank is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FFSD.

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HOPKINTON, MA (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - EMC Corp. (NYSE:EMC) has announced

general availability of cache memory upgrades for IBM 3990 Model 3 storage controllers.

EMC's upgrades consist of multiple 16 megabyte boards offered for standard configurations of 32, 64, 128, and 256 megabytes.

EMC's 3990-3 cache upgrades are designed using state-of-the-art 4-megabit chip technology, IBM's current 3990 upgrades utilize 1-megabit chips.

''EMC's use of 4-megabit chip technology in its 3990-3 cache upgrades demonstrates the company's focus on implementing the latest technological advancements into its storage products prior to the host manufacturer,'' said EMC's senior vice president of marketing, Bob Ano.

EMC's 3990-3 cache upgrades are priced 25 percent below comparable IBM upgrades. For example, EMC's list price for an upgrade from 64 megabytes to 128 megabytes is $115,200 as compared to IBM's list price of $153,600.

This product introduction gives EMC products for all of the performance-oriented storage catagories for mainframe computers including; main memory, expanded storage, cache memory, solid state disk, and integrated cached disk arrays.

''Our 3990 cache upgrades complement our other storage offerings, giving mainframe users a breadth of storage solutions to choose from,'' said Ano.

''This introduction combined with the recent introduction of our Symmetrix Series of Integrated Cached Disk Arrays gives IBM mainframe users two viable storage alternatives,'' siad Ano.

''EMC's 3990 cache upgrades allow 3990 users to obtain 25 percent more storage for their planned expenditure. For users who are looking for the performance benefits of cached disk without the high environmental costs, large footprint, and storage management overhead, EMC's Symmetrix is the ideal solution.''

EMC Corp. supplies innovative, high-performance storage products and related services for midrange and mainframe computer systems worldwide.

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POMONA, NY (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Barr Laboratories Inc. (AMEX:BRL) received approval Tuesday from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to commence manufacture and sale of Methotrexate Tablets.

Methotrexate is used alone or in combination with other anticancer agents in the treatment of breast and other types of cancer. Methotrexate is also used in combination with other chemotherapeutic agents in the treatment of advanced stage non-Hodgkin's lymphomas.

Over the past three years the company has focused its research and development efforts on anti-cancer and other life-saving drugs. Today's approval for Methotrexate is the first in a series of anticipated approvals from the FDA for other anti-cancer products. Barr Laboratories already has received a large number of approvals for narcotic analgesics which ease cancer-related pain. Additionally, the company is the only current source of AB rated generic Leucovorin Calcium, a product which reduces the unpleasant side effects normally associated with various treatments for cancer and AIDS.

Annual sales of Methotrexate in 1989 are estimated to be in excess of $30 million. The company anticipates capturing up to 40 percent of the innovator's market.

Barr Laboratories is a prime manufacturer of a broad range of multi-source pharmaceutical products commonly known as generic drugs.

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WAYNE, NJ (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - At its regular meeting Tuesday, the board of directors of American Cyanamid Co. declared a quarterly dividend of 33-3/4 cents per share on the outstanding shares of common stock of the company, payable Dec. 21, to shareholders of such stock of record at the close of business on Nov. 21.

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ORLANDO, FL (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T has been awarded a $157 million contract to build a new undersea fiber-optic cable that will link the U.S. mainland to Hawaii in 1993.

Known as Haw-5, the cable is the fifth to link Hawaii to the mainland and the second fiber-optic cable to do so. Together with other cables and satellite facilities that are in place or planned, Haw-5 is part of a network to provide communications among the countries of the Pacific Rim.

Announcement of the contract award was made at a meeting in Orlando of 23 co-owners of the cable.

The cable will carry voice and data traffic. The cable includes three pairs of fiber, two active and operating at 560 megabits per second and one fiber pair for reserve. If the entire cable were used for voice, it could handle 80,000 simultaneous telephone conversations.

AT&T will own 52 percent of the cable. Co-owners include telecommunications organizations in Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Italy Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, the Philippines, Sweden, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States.

Haw-5 will be 2,750-miles long. Landing points for the cable will be in San Luis Obispo, Calif. and Keawaula on the island of Oahu in Hawaii.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Senior Service Corp. (NASDAQ:SENR;BSE;SNR), the only public company devoted exclusively to serving the changing health and lifestyle needs of Americans over 65, reported Tuesday revenues of $2,216,786 in the first quarter ended August 31 compared with revenues of $3,265,144 in the same period last year, which include the U.S. publishing operations that were sold in the past fiscal year.

Revenues of Almost Family, the company's expanding adult daycare chain, rose 88 percent in the first quarter.

The first quarter results reflect Senior Service's continuing investment in the expansion of its adult daycare operations, including substantial marketing costs associated with the launch of the Almost Family brand name during the summer and the opening of new centers.

A net unrealized foreign exchange loss of $125,584 was a factor in the net loss of $913,154 compared with a loss of $19,449 in the first quarter last year. This unrealized exchange loss reflected the strength of the Swiss Franc against the U.S. Dollar and is principally attributable to a 10 million Swiss Franc subordinated convertible 5 1/2 percent note.

Commenting on the first quarter, President and CEO Donald L. Luke indicated that the bottom line reflected, ''the significant investment Senior Service is making now in order to establish early leadership in adult daycare, a rapidly

developing service for older people who have age-related disabilities.''

Luke also reported that the restructuring of Senior Service in order to focus on developing its adult daycare and home health care operations will soon be completed. He announced that the company had signed an agreement in principle for the cash sale of its U.K. book publishing unit to a British company.

''Our efforts are now sharply focused on establishing a strategic leadership position in adult daycare and a specialized niche in home health services,'' he said.

Commenting on the balance sheet, Luke indicated that the cash position reflected heavy investment in expanding adult daycare capacity and the one-time payment of $400,000 to the Company's Founder-Chairman and a Vice President, both of whom retired from management on August 1.

Both of Senior Service's specialty health care operations address the most pressing health services needs of older Americans. Adult daycare and home health care fill the wide gap between hospital and nursing home care at a substantial cost saving to the consumer. In addition, adult daycare and home health services provide an opportunity for older people to remain as independent as possible, while offering vital respite and peace of mind to their families.

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AKRON, OH (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Ohio Edison Co.'s board of directors Tuesday adopted a shareholders rights plan to help ensure that the terms of any unsolicited takeover attempt would be fair.

The plan provides a dividend of one right to purchase an additional share of common stock for each share owned by shareholders of record on Oct. 26.

The rights would be exercisable if, without prior approval of Edison's board, a person or group would acquire 15 percent or more of the company's common stock or would start a tender offer to acquire 25 percent or more of common stock. However, in the event of certain actions by an acquirer which could result in a change of control, each right would convert into a right to purchase the company's common stock or the acquirer's stock, at special prices. The plan also provides Edison the option of issuing shares of common stock in exchange for rights.

Rights under the plan expire on Oct. 16, 2000. These rights will not affect

Edison's earnings per share or affect the way its common stock is currently traded on stock exchanges.

In other action, the board authorized the company to refund $26 million of two series of pollution control bonds to further reduce interest costs. The two series of bonds, both with an interest rate of 9.2 percent, are $19 million of Ohio Air Quality Development Authority Pollution Control Revenue Bonds, 1979 Series A, and $7 million of Beaver Valley County Industrial Development Authority Pollution Control Revenue Bonds, 1979 Series G.

Each series of bonds will be refunded with a new series of bonds, in the same principal amounts by the respective authorities. The redemption date of the bonds is scheduled for Dec. 3, 1990, but is subject to the sale of new bonds.

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#90289b0889 10/16/1990 ~Business Wire

ROSELAND, NJ (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Automatic Data Processing Inc. achieved record revenues and earnings in the first quarter of fiscal 1991, Josh S. Weston, chairman and chief executive officer, announced Tuesday.

This represents ADP's 117th consecutive quarter of double-digit earnings per share growth since becoming a public company in 1961.

Revenues were $414,282,000 in the quarter ended Sept. 30, up 3 percent from last year. Pre-tax earnings increased 5 percent. Net earnings, aided by a lower effective tax rate, increased 13 percent to $41,740,000, and earnings per share grew 14 percent to $.58 from $.51 last year. During the first fiscal quarter ADP purchased 2.8 million shares of its common stock and since then it has purchased 1.7 million additional shares. The acquisition of treasury shares reduced pre-tax earnings while aiding earnings per share. The board of directors recently authorized the purchase of up to 5 million additional shares.

Commenting on the first quarter, Weston said, ''Our quarterly performance was especially aided by double-digit revenue growth and improved margins in Employer Services and Dealer Services. These two business units comprise almost 70 percent of ADP's revenues.

''In addition, Employer Services first quarter new account sales and client retention both improved noticeably over fiscal 1990. Brokerage Services, about 20 percent of ADP's revenues, had an improved operating margin during the quarter on reduced volume. Despite the weakness in the brokerage industry, we are very pleased with our first quarter's results and are increasingly confident with our previously announced estimate that fiscal 1991 earnings per

share growth will exceed 10 percent.

''As previously reported, revenue growth continues to be negatively impacted by the absence of revenues from recently disposed businesses including our banking, Canadian quotation and manufacturing services, and 81 percent of our Brazil business, as well as other ongoing pruning activities. Revenue growth will accelerate once inter-year comparisons are no longer affected by prior business dispositions.''

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#90289b0892 10/16/1990 ~Business Wire

EVANSVILLE, IN (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Old Natinal Bancorp (NASDAQ:OLDB) Tuesday reported another increase in quarterly earnings.

Third quarter net income per share increased to 52 cents, an 11 percent increase from the second quarter results of 47 cents. Net income for the third quarter was $5,728,000, compared to $5,223,000 for the second quarter.

The third quarter results also exceeded the results for the third quarter of 1989, with net income per share at 52 cents versus 49 cents and net income at $5,728,000 versus $5,601,000. Year-to-date net income per share is $1.42 compared to $1.44 reported for 1989.

Old National Bancorp Chairman, Dan W. Mitchell, noted continued improvement in the bank holding company's core earnings at a time when many banks are having significant problems. ''Regulatory examinations were recently completed at most of our affiliate banks, and we passed with flying colors.

''Examiners are looking at all banks with intensified scrutiny right now, particularly the loan portfolios and loss reserves. We are quite pleased with the results of our examinations.''

Assets of Old National Bancorp are now $2.2 billion and will exceed $2.5 billion with the consummation of the three pending mergers by year-end. In October, the company will close mergers with Security Bank and Trust of Mt. Carmel, Ill., and Farmers Bank & Trust Co. of Henderson, Ky.

A merger with Warrick National Bank of Boonville, Ind., will be completed in November. Those additions, along with improved fourth quarter earnings from existing affiliate banks, are expected to boost net income for 1990 to record levels.

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-30- 1957
#90289b0906 10/16/1990 ~Business Wire
MEMPHIS, TN (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - First Tennessee National Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:FTEN)(FTNC) reported net income for third quarter 1990 of $14,942,000, or 94 cents per share, a 6.2 percent increase over $14,066,000, or 89 cents per share, reported for the same period last year.

Earnings growth resulted primarily from a rise in net interest income. Return on average equity was 15.19 percent and return on assets was .93 percent.

For the nine months net income totaled $34,603,000, or $2.17 per share, vs. $16,033,000, or $1.01 per share, for year-to-date 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1989 included a 70 cents per share net loss recorded in the second quarter, the result of an additional increase to the loan loss reserve.

''We have obtained improvements in our operating performance through emphasizing the most efficient use of expense dollars and a stabilization of nonperforming assets,'' said Ronald Terry, chairman of First Tennessee.

Nonperforming assets totaled $90.9 million at Sept. 30, 1990, down from $92.1 million recorded at June 30, 1990. At Sept. 30, 1989, nonperforming assets amounted to $88.7 million. Approximately $23 million of nonperforming assets as of Sept. 30, 1990, were either contractually current or were past due fewer than 90 days.

The allowance for loan losses amounted to $77 million at period end compared to $67.1 million at Sept. 30 last year and $77.2 million at June 30, 1990. Year-to-date net charge-offs totaled $27.4 million at the end of September 1990 compared to $31.4 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

Fully taxable equivalent net interest income for the nine months grew 5.6 percent compared to the first nine months of last year. Average earning assets as a percentage of total assets rose to 89 percent compared to 87.1 percent for the same period last year, contributing to the increase.

Lower costs on interest-bearing deposits reduced the pressure on the spread between yields on earning assets and rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities. Growth in consumer loans, investment securities and short-term investments also enhanced net interest income.

For the nine months noninterest income rose 9.5 percent, excluding securities transactions, strengthened by increased bond and trust revenues. Bond division income was up 15.4 percent for the period while trust service income rose 9.9 percent.

Service charges on deposit accounts and other service fees rose 7.3 percent. Without the $2.2 million one-time gain resulting from a decline in projected

benefit obligations of the pension plan recorded in the second quarter, noninterest income rose 6.8 percent.

Noninterest operating expense for the first nine months of 1990 was .5 percent over the same period in 1989. Productivity program improvements led to a decline in most all expense categories compared to the first nine months of last year.

An increase did occur in the other expense category during the third quarter due to market adjustments on foreclosed properties and other expenses related to the disposition of real estate.

''We remain confident in the continued strength of our balance sheet and earnings capacity going into 1991,'' said Terry. ''As a result, the board of directors approved a 5 percent increase in the quarterly dividend from 40 cents to 42 cents per share. This increase will be reflected in the dividend payable on Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.''

First Tennessee is among the 100 largest bank holding companies in the United States, reporting total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, of $6.5 billion and shareholders' equity of $395.1 million. The corporation's common shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FTEN.

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#90289b0913 10/16/1990 ~Business Wire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - H.F. Ahmanson & Co. (NYSE:AHM), parent company of Home Savings of America, the nation's largest savings and loan institution, Tuesday reported that third-quarter net earnings increased to $61.3 million, or 62 cents per share, compared with $49.2 million, or 50 cents per share, in the like 1989 period.

This 24.6 percent gain in quarterly net earnings reflects continued growth in core operating earnings, principally net interest income.

For the first nine months of the year, net earnings increased to $183.1 million, or $1.85 per share, compared with $128.1 million, or $1.29 per share, earned in the first nine months of 1989. The 43 percent increase in the first nine months net earnings was also attributable to continued growth in core operating earnings.

Core earnings comprised 97 percent of the company's first nine months' net earnings.

Commenting on the third-quarter earnings results, Richard H. Deihl, chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''Core earnings increased by 50.2 percent from the third quarter of 1989 and accounted for all of this quarter's net earnings. We will maintain our emphasis on core earnings as we continue to strengthen our balance sheet and maintain strict expense control.''

Net interest income totaled $289.2 million for the quarter, compared with $239.5 million in the third quarter of 1989. This 20.8 percent improvement is attributable to a $5.0 billion increase in interest earning assets, mainly monthly adjustable-rate mortgages, and an increase in the effective net spread.

The effective net spread was 2.60 percent in the third quarter of 1990, compared with the 2.38 percent in the third quarter of 1989.

Deposits at Home Savings of America increased by $1.2 billion during the quarter and brought the deposit increase for the first nine months of 1990 to a record $3.6 billion. Mortgage loan originations during the third quarter were $3.2 billion. Mortgage loan originations were $10.7 billion for the first nine months of 1990.

Of these loans, 92 percent were single-family mortgages and 77 percent were loans on properties located in California.

Only 10.7 percent of the loans originated in 1990 had loan-to-value ratios in excess of 80 percent, all of which were loans on single-family residences. The company, as a matter of policy, does not originate loans with loan-to-value ratios higher than 90 percent. All of the loans originated in 1990 were on residential real estate properties.

The company ceased making new commercial and industrial real estate loan commitments in December 1988. C&I real estate loans now comprise 5.5 percent of the loan portfolio.

Other income was $39.3 million during the third quarter. This $19.2 million decrease, from the $58.5 million earned in the third quarter of 1989, was primarily attributable to a decline in income from the operations of the real estate development subsidiaries and a decline in the gain on sale of loans and mortgage-backed securities.

In addition, other income was less than the third quarter of 1989 due to non-recurring gains from the sale of certain assets in last year's third quarter.

H.F. Ahmanson & Co., with $48.8 billion in assets, is the parent company of Home Savings of America. Home's $36.8 billion deposit base is the largest of any U.S. savings institution. It operates 360 savings branches in nine states and 97 mortgage lending offices in 13 states.

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-30- 3771
#90289c0003 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:26 that trade in CC Air Inc.(NASDAQ: CCARQ) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 3/8 3/4.

-30- 290
#90289c0004 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:38 that trade in Wasatch Education Systems (NASDAQ: WESC) has been resumed. The first bid was 1 3/4; down 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 362
#90289c0005 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Alliance New Europe Fund has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ANE. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

-30- 358
#90289c0006 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:47 that trade in Clini-Therm (NASDAQ: CLIN) has been resumed. The first bid was 1/32; down 3/32 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 334
#90289c0007 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:49 that trade in Todd Shipyards Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol TOD.

-30- 316
#90289c0008 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:51 that trade in US Energy Corp.(NASDAQ: USEG) has been resumed. The first sale was 8 1/4; down 1/8 point from the halt, and down 1/4 point from the previous close.

-30- 357
#90289c0009 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 12:

CE Software Holdings Inc. (CESH), Uts. 11/1/91 (CESHU), Wts. 11/1/91 (CESHW)
Holland Industries Inc. - Wts. 2/4/91 (HOLLW)
Universal International Inc. (UNIV)

The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 11:

Great Lakes Bancorp, A Federal Savings Bank - Noncumulative perpetual pfd. A (GLBCP)

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#90289c0011 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The following issue will undergo name and/ or symbol changes effective Oct. 16:

Camelot Corp. (CAML) to (CAMLD), (1 for 30 reverse split)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 15:

Datavision Inc. (DVIS) to (DVISC)
Del Paint Corp. (DELA) to (DELAC)
DocuCon Inc. (DOCU) to (DOCUC), Uts. 5/9/94 (DOCUU) to (DOUUC), Wts. 5/9/94 (DOCUW) to (DOCWC)

Encore Computer Corp. (ENCC) to (ENCCC)
Foreland Corp. (FORL) to (FORLC)
Spectrum Information Technologies Inc. (SPCL) to (SPCLC)
Wavemat Inc. (WVMT) to (WVMTC)

-30- 712

#90289c0012 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Autodie Corp.(TICKER: ADIE) on Sept. 7, 1990, entered an amended forbearance agreement among Autobond Corp., Autodie Bonding Subsidiary Inc., NBD Bank, N.A., Michigan National Bank, M & I Marsall and Ilsley Bank and Harris Trust and Savings Bank.

Autodie also, on Sept. 14, 1990, entered a waiver and interest deferral agreement with Principal Mutual Life Insurance Co., General American Life Insurance Co. and The Franklin Life Insurance Co.

-30- 655

#90289c0013 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows N.D.L. Products Inc.(TICKER: NDLP) lost $214,747, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $8.43 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $40,845, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $7.32 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 467

#90289c0014 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Pharmacontrol Corp.(TICKER: PHAR) lost $5.83 million (including a loss of $521,000 from discontinued operations), or $0.58 per share, on revenues of $23.53 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $7.73 million (including a loss of $461,000 from discontinued operations and a loss of $964,000 on disposal of a contract manufacturing subsidiary), or $0.82 per share, on revenues of $22.97 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 683

#90289c0015 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Command Credit Corp.(TICKER: CDMD) lost $3.53 million, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $64,597 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $1.36 million, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $4,783 for fiscal 1989.

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise but expects to cease reporting as such during the 1991 fiscal year.

The company's executive offices are located at 189 Sunrise Highway, Rockville Centre, NY 11570, and its telephone number is (516) 764-1117.

-30- 748

#90289c0016 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Sage Drilling Co. Inc.(TICKER: SAGE) lost $828,156, or $1.08 per share, on revenues of $4.26 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $2.69 million, or $3.52 per share, on revenues of $4.61 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 466

#90289c0017 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 27, 1990, Information Resources Inc.(TICKER: IRIC) sold its headquarters complex in Chicago, Illinois, to affiliates of W.P. Carey & Co. Inc. for $34 million.

Information Resources then leased the property back from Carey under a long-term lease of 15 years.

Randolph/Clinton Limited Partnership purchased the property.

Each of the partners in the partnership is an affiliate of Carey.

-30- 634
#90289c0019 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Todd Shipyards Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol TOD. Trading was resumed at 11:16.

-30- 351
#90289c0020 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:33 that trade in Tolland Bank (NASDAQ: TOBK) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 5 1/4. The company is located in Tolland, CT.

-30- 328
#90289c0021 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY K.J. BAKER OWNS 130,401 SHARES (7.40%) OF ANDERSEN GROUP INC (TICKER: ANDR) OF BLOOMFIELD, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

K.J. Baker also hold options for an additional 30,344 shares acquired through an incentive program of Andersen Group Inc., of which Mr. Baker is the president and CEO. If exercised, K.J. Baker would hold a 9.1 percent stake.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 588
#90289c0022 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

UNITED PARCEL SERVICE OF AMER INC OWNS 800,000 SHARES (17.20%) OF MAIL BOXES ETC (TICKER: MAIL) OF SAN DIEGO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

UPS acquired 400,000 shares and warrants to acquire an additional 400,000 shares on Oct. 3, 1990 for a total of $11,268,000. The purchase was made pursuant to an agreement dated Oct. 3 which limits United Parcel Service of America Inc.'s total stake to at most 17.5 percent until Oct. 3, 1991 and 35 percent until Oct. 3, 1995.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 716
#90289c0023 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 29

L. BALTER OWNS 87,739 SHARES (3.55%) OF SUNLITE INC (TICKER: SNLT) OF ALPHARETTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

L. Balter may be deemed to own a total of 162,739 shares, representing 6.6 percent of the common shares outstanding.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

L. Balter purchased 10,600 shares from Sept. 21 to Oct. 8, 1990 for $3.80 to $4.05 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 570
#90289c0024 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY A.L. JARABEK AS TRUSTEE OWNS 109,650 SHARES (12.30%) OF FALL RIVER GAS CO (TICKER: FALL) OF FALL RIVER, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

A.L. Jarabek purchased 8,712 shares from May 7 to Sept. 28, 1990 for $38 to $40 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 484
#90289c0025 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 12, 1990, the Delaware Court held arguments in the case Lennane v. Ask Computer, et al on the plaintiff's motion to reconsider the court's denial of the plaintiff's motion for a preliminary injunction. Following the argument, the court set Oct. 18, 1990 as the date for a further hearing on the motion to reconsider. In connection with the court's action on Oct. 12, 1990, ASK agreed to not close any stock sale pursuant to the equity agreement until after the court's decision on the motion to reconsider, assuming the plaintiff would also do nothing to disturb the status quo.

-30- 810
#90289c0028 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 9, 1990, S.M. Feldman entered into a merger agreement with Edison

Brothers Apparel Stores Inc. and EBAS Acquisition Corp. The merger was consummated on Oct. 4, 1990, with each share of Webster exchanged for $6 per share in cash. The merger was approved by holders of 83 percent of Webster Clothes Inc.'s (TICKER: WEBS) shares and S.M. Feldman' shares were sold at $5.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Execution of option agreement.

-30- 670
#90289c0029 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY WGP INC OWNS 4,014,907 SHARES (38.50%) OF WESTERN GAS RESOURCES INC (TICKER: WGR) OF DENVER, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 8, 1990, Western Gas Resources Inc. announced that it will propose a restructuring after which it will own all outstanding shares in its 52 percent owned Western Gas Processors Ltd. subsidiary. In the restructuring, all outstanding $1.80 cumulative participating preference units of the partnership will first be converted into non-preference LP units of the partnership through prepayment of all remaining preference distributions on the preference units, which will be approximately $2.20 per unit. Each common unit will be exchanged for common shares on a one for one basis and the partnership will cease to be a publicly traded company. After completion of the restructuring, Western Gas Resources Inc. intends to pay a $.05 per quarter dividend on its common stock in 1991.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 1157
#90289c0030 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY C.Y. PALITZ JR OWNS 382,100 SHARES (9.78%) OF CENVEST INC (TICKER: CBCT) OF MERIDEN, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

C.Y. Palitz Jr. purchased 87,000 shares from Sept. 11 to Oct. 1, 1990 for $2 to $3.25 per share.

-30- 423
#90289c0031 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,303,644 SHARES (15.19%) OF C-TEC CORP (TICKER: CTEX) OF WILKES-BARRE, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 17 to Oct. 11, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 112,750 shares and sold 11,500 shares for $14.50 to $18.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 515
#90289c0032 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,962,730 SHARES (11.97%) OF NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP INC (TICKER: NMG) OF CHESTNUT HILL, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 1-11, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 185,200 shares and sold 8,600 shares for $10.63 to $12.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 535
#90289c0033 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY HEETCO INC NV OWNS 1,682,855 SHARES (16.20%) OF WESTERN GAS RESOURCES INC (TICKER: WGR) OF DENVER, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 8, 1990, Western Gas Resources Inc. announced that it will propose a restructuring after which it will own all outstanding shares in its 52 percent owned Western Gas Processors Ltd. subsidiary. In the restructuring, all outstanding $1.80 cumulative participating preference units of the partnership will first be converted into non-preference LP units of the partnership through prepayment of all remaining preference distributions on the preference units, which will be approximately $2.20 per unit. Each common unit will be exchanged for common shares on a one for one basis and the partnership will cease to be a publicly traded company. After completion of the restructuring, Western Gas Resources Inc. intends to pay a $.05 per quarter dividend on its common stock in 1991.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 1169
#90289c0034 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY DEAN PHILLIPS INC OWNS 1,682,855 SHARES (16.20%) OF WESTERN GAS RESOURCES INC (TICKER: WGR) OF DENVER, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 8, 1990, Western Gas Resources Inc. announced that it will propose a restructuring after which it will own all outstanding shares in its 52 percent owned Western Gas Processors Ltd. subsidiary. In the restructuring, all outstanding $1.80 cumulative participating preference units of the partnership will first be converted into non-preference LP units of the partnership through prepayment of all remaining preference distributions on the preference units, which will be approximately $2.20 per unit. Each common unit will be exchanged for common shares on a one for one basis and the partnership will cease to be a publicly traded company. After completion of the restructuring,

Western Gas Resources Inc. intends to pay a $.05 per quarter dividend on its common stock in 1991.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 1173
#90289c0036 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

E.T. STRAW OWNS 70,125 SHARES (5.30%) OF PRIME BANCORP (TICKER: PSAB) OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The 33,120 common shares of Prime Bancorp Inc. which E.T. Straw has the right to acquire may be issued pursuant to the incentive stock option agreement dated Nov. 14, 1988 between Prime Bancorp. Inc. and Erwin T. Straw at a price of $11.50 per share or an aggregate consideration of $380,880. The options are exercisable at any time, but none have been exercised to date.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 14 through 21, 1990, E.T. Straw purchased 1,263 shares at a price $11.38 to $14.32 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 850
#90289c0037 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

NETWORTH PARTNERS LP OWNS 535,310 SHARES (6.90%) OF VENTURA ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LTD (TICKER: VEGG) OF NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include warrants for the purchase of 80,000 shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 8, 1990 through Oct. 11, 1990, Networth Partners LP purchased 121,000 shares at a price of $7.75 through $9.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 623
#90289c0038 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY A. BERGVALL OWNS 465,100 SHARES (11.40%) OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD (TICKER: BHO) OF HAMILTON, BERMUDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Common stock owned by Navigation Investments and B+H Management, as well as securities of other issuers, are being held as collateral in margin accounts at various broker/dealers.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 2 through 8, 1990, A. Bergvall purchased 44,000 shares at a price of $8.88 to $9.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 697
#90289c0039 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:58 that trade in CC Air Inc.(NASDAQ: CCARQ) has been resumed. The first bid was 1/4; down 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 331
#90289c0040 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY A. BERGVALL OWNS 432,150 SHARES (14.03%) OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD (TICKER: BHM) OF HAMILTON, BERMUDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Common stock owned by Navigation Investments and B+H Management, as well as securities of other issuers, are being held as collateral in margin accounts at various broker/dealers. No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 2 through 4, 1990, A. Bergvall purchased 33,000 shares at a price of $6.88 to $7.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 750
#90289c0041 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 29, 1990, Chavin filed an amended verified complaint for declaratory judgment and injunctive relief which claims are identical to those in the original complaint, but now the claims are being brought by Chavin individually and derivatively on behalf of General Employment Enterprises Inc. (TICKER: JOB) The defendants have moved to dismiss the amended complaint for failure to allege a pre-suit demand on General Employment Enterprises Inc.'s board and which demand Chavin believes would be futile. The court is expected to rule on defendants' motion to dismiss on Oct. 15, 1990. Also, on Aug. 29, 1990, Chavin filed a renewed motion for a preliminary injunction and a memorandum of law in support thereof. The motion requests the circuit court to enjoin the operation of General Employment Enterprises Inc.'s plan based on Chavin's claim that the plan violates the Illinois constitution. The court has not set a date for a hearing on Chavin's motion. Mr. Chavin presently intends to seek representation on General Employment Enterprises Inc.'s board and intends to solicit proxies for such purpose in connection with the next annual meeting of shareholders of General Employment Enterprises Inc.

PURPOSE:

Complaint.

-30- 1446
#90289c0042 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GALACTIC RESOURCES LTD OF VANCOUVER, BC OWNS 3,165,250 SHARES (16.34%) OF CORNUCOPIA RESOURCES INC (TICKER: CNPGF) OF VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Galactic Resources Inc. has borrowed $2,000,000 from a U.S. corporate lender pursuant to a loan agreement dated Oct. 1, 1990 and the company had guaranteed the loan obligations and has granted to the lender a first priority security interest in the 3,165,250 common shares of Cornucopia now owned by the company and all future Cornucopia common shares acquired by the company, together with all rights, privileges, proceeds, income and profits flowing from such shares. Unless a default occurs under the loan agreement, the company has the right to vote the Cornucopia common shares; should a default occur, the lender would have the power to vote and to dispose of the pledged Cornucopia shares.

-30- 1136
#90289c0044 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GENERAL ELECTRIC CAPITAL CORP OF STAMFORD, CT 772,481 SHARES (5.40%) OF NS GROUP INC (TICKER: NSS) OF NEWPORT, KY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In connection with a loan by GECC to certain subsidiaries of NS Group, GECC received a warrant, exercisable immediately and expiring on Oct. 4, 2000, to purchase 722,481 shares of the common stock of NS Group Inc. at an exercise price of $12.95 per share for an aggregate amount of $10,000,000. Under the terms of a loan agreement between GECC and Koppel Steel Corp., a subsidiary of NS Group Inc., substantially all of the assets of Koppel have been pledged as collateral for its obligations. Also, under terms of a limited recourse guaranty by NS Group Inc. in favor of GECC, the common stock of Koppel as been pledged by NS Group Inc. as collateral for its obligations.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1069
#90289c0045 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWNS 473,638 SHARES (12.10%) OF PETROLEUM HELICOPTERS INC (TICKER: PHEL) OF NEW ORLEANS, LA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On or about Oct. 13, 1990, IEP entered into an agreement with Petroleum Helicopters Inc. pursuant to which, IEP agreed to sell to Petroleum Helicopters Inc. all of Petroleum Helicopters Inc.'s shares owned by IEP. The sale is contingent upon Petroleum Helicopters Inc. obtaining sufficient financing to consummate the transaction on or before Oct. 17, 1990, with a proposed closing date of Oct. 25, 1990. In addition to the sale of the shares, IEP also agreed to refrain from certain actions regarding Petroleum Helicopters Inc. 's shares.

-30- 921
#90289c0046 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC OF KING OF PRUSSIA, PA OWNS 20,316,317 SHARES (71.30%) OF COMPUCOM SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: BYTE) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On May 31, 1990, SSI entered into an agreement with RVP granting SSI the right to purchase, Call Option, all of the capital stock of CompuShop from RVP on any of the following dates: Dec. 1, 1990, March 1, 1991, June 1, 1991, Sept. 1 1991, Dec. 1, 1991, March 1, 1992 or June 1, 1992. If SSI exercises its call option, the purchase price payable is $2 million plus premium designed to give RVP a return on its investment. The purchase agreement also grants RVP the right to sell, the Put option, to SSI all of its shares of CompuShop on June 1 1992 for the sum of $2 million plus the premium. RVP purchased the outstanding stock of CompuShop, acquiring the 1,333,333 shares of the company.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

-30- 1104
#90289c0047 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:19 that trade in Hibernia Corp.(NASDAQ: HIB) has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE.

-30- 301
#90289c0048 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:35 that trade in Branford Savings Bank (NASDAQ: BSBC) has been resumed. The first sale was 2; down 1/4 point from the halt and previous close.

-30- 343
#90289c0049 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said today the greatest obstacle facing the Soviet Union and East European nations in their quest to transform their economies from centrally planned to market systems is erasing 40 years of cultural aversion to free enterprise.

"The major problem is going to be a deep-seated distrust in much of Eastern Europe about the ideology of markets," Greenspan said. "Entrepeneurship, profits, speculation ... are generally perceived to be inappropriate to the organization of civilized society. That's what the education systems of the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe have been pushing since the end of World War II."

Greenspan, opening the concluding session of the two-day American Stock Exchange convention here, avoided any mention of the budget debate raging on Capitol Hill and how it could affect Fed strategy concerning interest rates. Instead, he launched into what amounted to a lecture on the differences between East-West economies since the post-War period.

In remarks before the same forum later this morning, Greenspan's predecessor, Paul Volcker, said the financial services industry is moving from the excesses of the 1980s characterized by highly leveraged transactions and speculative bank lending practices which has resulted in the situation of lower investment and productivity.

"Financially, those difficult circumstances reflect a repair process underway " Volcker said. "From aggressive lending to more prudent standards, leverage is no longer as popular, this is part of the healing process."

Volcker, who refuses to second-quess Fed policy, nevertheless said, "The

danger of monetary policy that accomodates inflation is more likely to aggravate (the economic) situation than ease it."

The Fed is attempting to balance competing goals of stimulating the economy and fighting inflation. Easing of the monetary policy could lead to lower interest rates which would help spur the economy. But such an action, coupled with surging oil prices, could trigger higher inflation.

Greenspan believes the East will ultimately succeed in converting to market-style economies and said this will benefit the West.

"My suspicion is that transitions, while extraordinarily difficult and disruptive, will ultimately emerge to create viable economies in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union," he said. "This is highly advantageous to the West because when your neighbor prospers, you prosper."

-30- 2714

#90289c0051 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Hibernia Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol HIB. Trading was resumed at 1:18 p.m.

-30- 344

#90289c0053 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD OWNS 4,914,800 SHARES (24.30%) OF HENLEY GROUP INC DEL (TICKER: HENG) OF HAMPTON, NH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Libra Invest & Trade Ltd. purchased 142,800 shares from Sept. 24 to Oct. 12, 1990 for $14.66 to $19.53 per share.

PURPOSE:

Mr. Aboukhater intends to make a filing under H-S-R which will state his intention to acquire in excess of 25 percent and up to 49.9 percent of the outstanding shares.

-30- 658

#90289c0054 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY W.E. BUFFETT OF OMAHA, NE OWNS 1,208,032 SHARES (22.10%) OF PS GROUP (TICKER: PSG) OF SAN DIEGO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 12, 1990, Berkshire was informed of the termination of the HSR waiting period for the premerger notification filed by Berkshire and its affiliates with respect to increasing their ownership in PS Group Inc. to exceed the threshold of 15 percent of outstanding voting securities established under the HSR Act. On Oct. 19, 1990, Berkshire is expected to purchase 604,757 shares from Jefferies & Co. for $33.05 per share pursuant to an agreement dated Sept. 17, 1990. This purchase is included in the stake listed. PS Group Inc. has informed W.E. Buffett that its board has amended its shareholder rights plan to allow for the filers to purchase up to 22.5 percent without triggering the rights plan.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 1074
#90289c0055 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

WAC RESEARCH OWNS 300,000 SHARES (14.50%) OF DYNATEC INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: DYNX) OF SALT LAKE CITY, UT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Wac Research acquired the shares from the company as consideration for a renegotiated royalty agreement with Dynatec International Inc. concerning Wac Research's rights for the telephone accessory products of Dynatec International Inc. whereby the rights were reduced to 5 percent from 10 percent, the payment of $150,000 of royalties and $124,231 in delinquent royalties which were forgiven by Wac Research.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 780

#90289c0056 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

S.A. ROGERS OWNS 98,428 SHARES (10.20%) OF GENERAL KINETICS INC (TICKER: GKIE) OF ROCKVILLE, MD.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

S.A. Rogers acquired 96,428 shares through an exchange of stock owned in Cryptek Inc., a subsidiary of General Kinetics Inc., on an unspecified date.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 504

#90289c0057 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.L. FEMRITE OWNS 150,394 SHARES (8.50%) OF ATHANOR GROUP INC (TICKER: ATHR) OF PASADENA, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

D.L. Femrite acquired 7,200 shares for $.75 per share on an unspecified date.

PURPOSE:

To increase holdings in Athanor Group Inc.

-30- 453

#90289c0058 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows First Citizens Bank on Sept. 21, 1990, acquired from the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) certain assets and deposits of Charlotte-based North Carolina Savings and Loan Association F.A. and Monroe-based Heritage Federal Savings and Loan Association.

First Citizens has acquired about $485 million in total deposits and has extended its service areas to seven new cities in three new counties, according to James B. Hyler Jr., president of First Citizens.

-30- 687
#90289c0059 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 21, 1990, the board of directors of Frances Denney Companies Inc. (TICKER: DNNY) voted to change the company's name to Trend Laboratories Inc.

The holder of a majority of the company's outstanding stock agreed to the name change, and on Oct. 1, 1990, the company filed to complete this transaction.

-30- 503
#90289c0061 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Summcorp(TICKER: SMCR), on Sept. 26, 1990, declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.18 per share, payable Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Oct. 15, 1990.

The dividend reflects a 5.9 percent increase over the $0.17 per share dividend paid during each of the last two quarters, and a 12.5 percent increase over the dividend of $0.16 per share declared quarterly during 1989.

The board also authorized the purchase of up to 300,000 shares of the company's common stock on the open market.

The purchase authority extends to 3.36 percent of the company's total 8.94 million shares outstanding.

-30- 889
#90289c0062 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows U.N.A. Corp.(TICKER: UNAW) on Sept. 28, 1990, following approval of the holders of common stock of U.N.A., merged with Okura Acquisition Corp., with Okura being the surviving entity.

This transaction is pursuant to an agreement dated July 13, 1990, among U.N.A. Okura Acquisition and Okura & Co.

The merged entity will continue to operate under the name of U.N.A. Corp.

As a result of the merger, each outstanding share of U.N.A. common stock was converted into the right to receive $0.20 in cash, without any interest thereon, or an aggregate of $1.19 million, based on the 5.96 million shares outstanding on Sept. 18, 1990.

This also includes the right to payments, if any, one year after the effective time of the merger, from the escrow fund established in the merger agreement.

-30- 1003
#90289c0063 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Unilab (TICKER: ULAB) lost $2.59 million, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $35.05 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $8,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $17.94 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 473
#90289c0064 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Capital and Research Corp.(TICKER: ACRC) earned $3.27 million, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $135.73 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.91 million, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $120.31 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 533
#90289c0065 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Officeland Inc.(TICKER: OFLDF) lost $50,445 (including an extraordinary loss of $11,602), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $418,921 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $9,923 (including a loss on discontinued operations of $357,848 and an extraordinary gain of $453,268), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $547,861 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 627
#90289c0066 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Comparator Systems Corp.(TICKER: IDID) lost $1.99 million, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $10,459 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $1.33 million, or $0.00 per share, on revenues of $46,136 for fiscal 1989.

The company states it has not had the funds to engage in the aggressive marketing essential to sale of a new and relatively novel product.

It reports the need for a network of manufacturers' representatives in foreign

locations; a small domestic sales organization is in place.

Comparator says it has now defined the product pricing and features necessary to achieve viable sales volume and with completion of the current new technology acquisition negotiations and current private placement, feels it is in a position to undertake aggressive product development and marketing.

The company's executive offices are located at 2862 McGaw Avenue, Irvine, CA 92714, and its telephone number is (714) 851-4300.

-30- 1213

#90289c0067 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bogen Corp.(TICKER: BOGN) lost $595,000, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $4.36 million for the quarter ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $22,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $3.89 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 464

#90289c0069 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Chaparral Resources Inc.(TICKER: CHAR) lost $11,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $160,000 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $50,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $181,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 498

#90289c0070 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows AM Diagnostics Inc. lost $8.03 million, or $0.96 per share, on revenues of $21.91 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $4.65 million, or $0.56 per share, on revenues of $25.98 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 469

#90289c0071 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows First Financial Bancorp (TICKER: FFBC) on Oct. 1, 1990, purchased the Trustcorp Bank Hartford City and the Trustcorp Bank, Dunkirk from the Society Corp., (TICKER: SOCI) of Cleveland, Ohio, for approximately $11.70 million.

Hartford is a state-chartered bank with around $55 million in assets.

Effective as of Oct. 1, 1990, Trustcorp will be known as Citizens First State Bank of Hartford City.

Dunkirk also is a state-chartered bank with around $28 million in assets.

Effective Oct. 1, 1990, it will be known as Citizens First State Bank of Dunkirk.

-30- 795

#90289c0072 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows First Commerce Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: FCBI) has signed a definitive agreement to purchase 100% of the issued and outstanding shares of First National McCook Co., a one-bank holding company which owns all of the issued and outstanding stock of First National Bank of McCook in McCook, Nebraska.

The purchase price for the shares of First National McCook Co. is $10.01 million, plus an amount equal to the bank's after-tax earnings for the period from July 1, 1990 through the close of business of the business day preceding the date of closing.

-30- 798

#90289c0073 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Immucor Inc.(TICKER: BLUD), on Sept. 28, 1990, purchased through its wholly-owned German subsidiary, Immucor Holdings GmbH, all of the outstanding capital stock of Immucor GmbH, a German corporation.

Immucor GmbH was purchased from Josef Wilms and Rainer E. Eisert, residents of Germany, for a total amount of $4.38 million plus warrants to purchase an aggregate of 250,000 shares of common stock.

The warrants are exercisable Sept. 28, 1991, through Sept. 28, 2000, at $11.62 per share.

-30- 719

#90289c0074 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bogen Corp.(TICKER: BOGN) lost $115,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $4.79 million for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $6,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $3,000), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $4.35 million for the

same period in 1989.

-30- 514
#90289c0075 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Health Advancement Services Inc.(TICKER: HASI) lost $919,074, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $472,212 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $664,494, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $637,246 for fiscal 1989.

-30- 483
#90289c0077 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Artagraph Reproduction Technology Inc.(TICKER: XART) lost $1.29 million, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $855,709 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.31 million, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $2.45 million for the nine-month period ended Aug. 31, 1990.

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

-30- 575
#90289c0078 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mascott Corp.(TICKER: DINE) lost $29,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.49 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $155,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $421,000 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 473
#90289c0079 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Chantal Pharmaceutical Corp.(TICKER: CHTL) lost $978,728, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $2.70 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $5.49 millionm, or $0.40 per share, on revenues of $583,094 in fiscal 1989.

-30- 473
#90289c0080 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows BoMed

Medical Manufacturing Ltd.(TICKER: BOMD) lost $280,603, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $308,535 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $38,462, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $797,481 for the same period ended a year earlier.

-30- 496

#90289c0081 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows New Jersey Steel Corp.(TICKER: NJST) earned $2.49 million (including an extraordinary gain of $806,000), or $0.43 per share, on revenues of $36.87 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.26 million (extraordinary gain of $446,000), or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $32.33 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 577

#90289c0082 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Andover Togs Inc.(TICKER: ATOG) earned $279,000, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $27.82 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $714,000, or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $28.40 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 484

#90289c0083 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Juno Lighting (TICKER: JUNO) earned $3.41 million, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $20.79 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $3.08 million, or $0.33 per share, on revenues of $19.38 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 483

#90289c0085 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows United Service Source Inc.(TICKER: UNSI) lost $315,902, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $1.45 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $179,005, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $1.86 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 478
#90289c0086 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Winners Circle Inc. lost $167,228, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $863,985 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $130,330, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $1.17 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 451
#90289c0087 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.S. GHEGAN OF P O BOX 105366, ATLANTA, GA 30348, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 CLASS A SHARES OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 10, 1990.

(TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. TEL: 404 827-1717)

-30- 447
#90289c0088 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.N. EVATT OF 500 TELNER ST, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19118, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,895 SHARES OF ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: ICGN) THROUGH SHERMAN FITZPATRICK. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 11, 1990.

(ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 625-0700)

-30- 420
#90289c0089 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A. GOLD OF 4941 WEST 90 ST, PRAIRIE VILLAGE, KS 66207, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ORTHOPEDIC SERVICES INC.(TICKER: OSII) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 15, 1990.

(ORTHOPEDIC SERVICES INC. TEL: 913 362-1234)

-30- 417
#90289c0090 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J. LING OF 7 INDEPENDENCE DR, EDISON, NJ 08820, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF UTI CHEMICAL INC.(TICKER: UTIC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 15, 1990.

(UTI CHEMICAL INC. TEL: 714 837-0800)

-30- 391
#90289c0091 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.H. CAMPBELL OF 1131 DYRE ST, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19124, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF NATIONAL MEDIA CORP. (TICKER: NMCO) THROUGH BUTCHER & SINGER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 10, 1990.

(NATIONAL MEDIA CORP. TEL: 215 482-9800)

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#90289c0093 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H.I. KENNEY JR OF RR #3, P O BOX 80, PAYNESVILLE, MN 56362, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SCIENTIFIC NRG INC (TICKER: SNRG) THROUGH R.J. STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 9, 1990.

(SCIENTIFIC NRG INC TEL: 714 630-3453)

-30- 416
#90289c0094 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H.I. KENNEY JR OF RR #3, P O BOX 80, PAYNESVILLE, MN 56362, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF SCIENTIFIC NRG INC (TICKER: SNRG) THROUGH R.J. STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 9, 1990.

(SCIENTIFIC NRG INC TEL: 714 630-3453)

-30- 416
#90289c0095 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.L. DEPETRILLO OF 7 CONSTITUTION HILL, PROVIDENCE, RI 02904, HAS FILED TO SELL 90,000 SHARES OF SOUTHNET CORP. (TICKER: SN) THROUGH JONATHAN ALAN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 9, 1990.

(SOUTHNET CORP. TEL: 813 287-2880)

-30- 408
#90289c0096 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.M. MADSEN OF 1230 WEST 11585 SOUTH, SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84065, HAS FILED TO SELL 97,500 SHARES OF AMERICAN INTL MEDICAL SUPPLY CO.(TICKER: AMIS) THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 11, 1990.

(AMERICAN INTL MEDICAL SUPPLY CO. TEL: 801 263-0975)

-30- 451
#90289c0097 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ATLANTIC INVESTMENTS UNITED OF 575 ANTON BLVD, 3RD FLOOR, COSTA MESA, CA 92626, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,500 SHARES OF FONE AMERICA INC. THROUGH YORKTON CONTINENTAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 10, 1990.

(FONE AMERICA INC. TEL: 800 344-1988)

-30- 419
#90289c0098 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.M. SHAW OF 1095 PARKVIEW WAY, LILBURN, GA 30247, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,100 CLASS A SHARES OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 10, 1990.

(TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. TEL: 404 827-1717)

-30- 446
#90289c0099 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WAGER STAPFER OF 10880 WILSHIRE BLVD STE 620, LOS ANGELES, CA 90024, HAS FILED TO SELL 170,000 SHARES OF UTILITECH INC. (TICKER: UTLL) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(UTILITECH INC. TEL: 213 441-4119)

-30- 415

#90289c0101 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT FRANCIS KANE OF 4799 BLYTH COURT, DUNWOODY, GA 30338, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,100 SHARES OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. TEL: 212 399-8000)

-30- 441
#90289c0102 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A FISHMAN OF 3650 E SOUTH ST, SUITE 301, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712, HAS FILED TO SELL 271,000 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 431
#90289c0103 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SANDERS MORRIS MUNDY INC TTEE OF 450 GEARS RD, STE 625, HOUSTON, TX 77067, HAS FILED TO SELL 325,000 SHARES OF DI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DRL) THROUGH SANDERS MORRIS MUNDY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(DI INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 713 874-0202)

-30- 438
#90289c0104 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN HELBURN OF 14103 RIVER FOREST, HOUSTON, TX 77079, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 713 578-8868)

-30- 442
#90289c0105 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BAKER EDWARD I LIVING TRUST OF 155 E 21ST ST, P O BOX 4667, JACKSONVILLE FL 32206, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF FLORIDA ROCK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FRK) THROUGH SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(FLORIDA ROCK INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 904 355-1781)

-30- 475
#90289c0106 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN MALEC OF 600 WEST STRATFORD PLACE, CHICAGO, IL 60657, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. TEL: 312 726-1221)

-30- 435
#90289c0107 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BECK A GLEN TTEE OF 1706 WASHINGTON AVE, ST LOUIS, MO 63103, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CPI CORP. (TICKER: CPY) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(CPI CORP. TEL: 314 231-1575)

-30- 388
#90289c0109 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANTHONY M VITTI OF 19 NARBONNE, 0, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,806 SHARES OF COMMERCEBANCORP. (CA) (TICKER: COBA) THROUGH CROWELL WEEDON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(COMMERCEBANCORP. (CA) TEL: 714 851-9900)

-30- 429
#90289c0110 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MERRILL LYNCH INTERFUNDING INC OF 3440 EAST HOUSTON ST, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78219, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: KNCI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09,

1990.

(KINETIC CONCEPTS INC. TEL: 512 225-4092)

-30- 457
#90289c0111 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS A COMMES OF 65 HUNTING TRAIL, MORELAND HILLS, OH 44022, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,464 SHARES OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. TEL: 216 566-2203)

-30- 420
#90289c0112 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PERKINS C&BYERS KLEINER III OF 2200 GENG RD, SUITE 205, PALO ALTO, CA 94303, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,345 SHARES OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09 1990.

(MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. TEL: 408 720-1700)

-30- 447
#90289c0113 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GRUMMAN CORP PENSION TRUST OF 1111 STEWART AVE, BETHPAGE, NY 11714, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF GRUMMAN CORP. (TICKER: GQ) THROUGH ROCHDALE SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(GRUMMAN CORP. TEL: 516 575-0574)

-30- 418
#90289c0114 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES R BURKE OF 4202 MAPLE LANE, MINNETONKA, MN 55345, HAS FILED TO SELL 356,750 SHARES OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(ANGEION CORP. TEL: 612 559-3370)

-30- 396
#90289c0115 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD DULUDE OF 507 WELCH RD, CORNING, NY 14830, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF CORNING INC. (TICKER: GLW) THROUGH HERZOG HEINE GEDULD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(CORNING INC. TEL: 607 974-9000)

-30- 385
#90289c0117 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RON GARLICK OF 94 S W COOPER LOOP, HAMILTON, MT 59840, HAS FILED TO SELL 133,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH D A DAVIDSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 425
#90289c0118 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES E REVANE OF 730 CLARENCE AVE, MOUND, MN 55364, HAS FILED TO SELL 96,775 SHARES OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(ANGEION CORP. TEL: 612 559-3370)

-30- 389
#90289c0119 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NAN D VANEVERY OF 2633 RICHARDSON DR, 0, CHARLOTTE, NC 28211, HAS FILED TO SELL 86,771 SHARES OF LANCE INC. (TICKER: LNCE) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(LANCE INC. TEL: 704 554-1421)

-30- 391
#90289c0120 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS G BERNARD OF 28003 CHARLES DR, SAUGUS, CA 91350, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,200 SHARES OF CII FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CII) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(CII FINANCIAL INC. TEL: 818 846-5297)

-30- 414
#90289c0121 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH J MELKUS OF 4515 HARDING RD, SUITE 300, NASHVILLE, TN 37205, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. TEL: 615 385-3541)

-30- 456
#90289c0122 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES J MARSDEN OF P O BOX 484, 0, SALISBURY, CT 06068, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. TEL: 203 353-5400)

-30- 429
#90289c0123 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W LUCAS SIMONS OF 330 COMMERCE ST, NASHVILLE, TN 37201, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF REN CORP. USA (TICKER: RENL) THROUGH J C BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(REN CORP. USA TEL: 615 352-7991)

-30- 395
#90289c0125 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN HELBURN OF 14103 RIVER FOREST, HOUSTON, TX 77079, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER) THROUGH

KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 713 578-8868)

-30- 442
#90289c0126 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID CUNNINGHAM OF P O BOX 68, SAUSALITO, CA 94965, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH BRENNAN ROSS SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 12, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 430
#90289c0127 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN A SOFRO OF 13400 RIVERSIDE DR, SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91423, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,500 SHARES OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. TEL: 818 995-7000)

-30- 424
#90289c0128 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RON BERGER OF 717 SE 27TH, GRESHAM, OR 97080, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,000 SHARES OF RENTRAK CORP. (TICKER: RENT) THROUGH BATEMAN EICHLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(RENTRAK CORP. TEL: 503 284-7581)

-30- 381
#90289c0129 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUE H SHELLEY OF 1115 WALDEN CIRCLE, 0, SUGARLAND, TX 77478, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. (TICKER: MEDC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. TEL: 214 851-2600)

-30- 425
#90289c0130 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GENERAL CIRCUITS INC DEF BEN PLN OF 460 CALLE SAN PABLE, CAMARILLO, CA 93012, HAS FILED TO SELL 44,238 SHARES OF CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC. (TICKER: CAMP) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC. TEL: 805 987-9000)

-30- 465
#90289c0131 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK GEACH OF 1128 JOHNSON LANE #3512, BUFFALO GROVE, IL 60089, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF PREMIER FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PREM) THROUGH CHICAGO CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(PREMIER FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. TEL: 815 235-7141)

-30- 439
#90289c0133 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A STARKE TAYLOR OF 16800 DALLAS PKWY, SUITE 210, DALLAS, TX 75248, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BEAUTICONTROL COSMETICS INC. (TICKER: BUTI) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(BEAUTICONTROL COSMETICS INC. TEL: 214 931-2300)

-30- 450
#90289c0134 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR F MICHAELIS OF 3 ST ANTHONY LANE, 0, CHESTER SPRINGS, PA 19425, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES IN (TICKER: AMA) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES IN TEL: 415 291-8801)

-30- 479
#90289c0135 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ROHLFFS FAMILY TRUST OF 26541 AGOURA RD STE 100, P O BOX 9840, CALABASAS CA 91372, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF PLAYERS INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: PLAY) THROUGH GRUNTAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 12, 1990.

(PLAYERS INTERNATIONAL INC TEL: 818 880-9111)

-30- 458
#90289c0136 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY R PETERSON OF 6676 DARYN, 0, WEST HILLS, CA 91307, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF AMWEST INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: AMW) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 12, 1990.

(AMWEST INSURANCE GROUP INC. TEL: 818 704-1111)

-30- 433
#90289c0137 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERNEST J TORIZZO OF 4 GREEN ACRES, 0, HARWINTON, CT 06791, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF EAGLE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: EAG) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(EAGLE FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 203 589-4600)

-30- 416
#90289c0138 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE DILL OF P O BOX 150, REMINGTON, VA 22734, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEMORY SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: MEMX) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(MEMORY SCIENCES CORP. TEL: 703 361-9745)

-30- 407
#90289c0139 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - IRENE S WISCHER OF 4001 N NEW BRAUNFELS, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78209, HAS

FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SERVICE FRACTURING CO. (TICKER: SERF) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(SERVICE FRACTURING CO. TEL: 806 665-7221)

-30- 420
#90289c0141 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILKINSHIRE HOLDINGS B V OF C/O DAVID M KAYE, 744 BROAD ST, NEWARK, NJ 07102, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF LYNTON GROUP INC. (TICKER: LYNG) THROUGH JANNEY MONTGOMERY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(LYNTON GROUP INC. TEL: 914 352-8600)

-30- 445
#90289c0142 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NETHERLANDS B V MEZZANINE OF 535 MADISON AVENUE 28TH FLOOR, C/O CHARTERH NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,475 SHARES OF THE MID-SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: MSRR) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(THE MID-SOUTH CORP. TEL: 212 421-3125)

-30- 456
#90289c0143 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY KOST OF 2970 TECHNY RD, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 427
#90289c0144 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LASSEN SOFTWARE INC OF 5923 CLARK RD, SUITE F, PARADISE, CA 95969, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF BLOC DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: BDEV) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(BLOC DEVELOPMENT CORP. TEL: 305 445-0903)

-30- 439
#90289c0145 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TRANSTECH CAP INVTMTS II LTD OF 148 SIDNEY ST, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,125 SHARES OF IMMUNOGEN INC. (TICKER: IMGN) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(IMMUNOGEN INC. TEL: 617 661-9311)

-30- 422
#90289c0146 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORWEST BANK MINNESOTA N A OF 378 W COUNTY RD D, ST PAUL, MN 55112, HAS FILED TO SELL 57,150 SHARES OF YUKON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: YUKN) THROUGH R J STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(YUKON ENERGY CORP. TEL: 612 633-3115)

-30- 437
#90289c0147 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RUTH MORGAN OF 760 VALLEY RD, NEW CANAAN, CT 06840, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,001 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH R B MARICH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 370
#90289c0149 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM R ROTHE OF 10012 MEYER POINT TERRACE, POTOMAC, MD 20854, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(BROWN (ALEX) INC. TEL: 301 727-1700)

-30- 410

#90289c0150 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD C CLARK OF 15511 MEADOW LANE, BONNER SPRINGS, KS 66012, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF HYDROGEN ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: THEC) THROUGH BLUNT ELLIS & LOEWI. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(HYDROGEN ENERGY CORP. TEL: 913 780-0171)

-30- 427
#90289c0151 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR O WELLMAN JR OF 17 ARLINGTON ST, BOSTON, MA 02116, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,500 SHARES OF CHEMDESIGN CORP. (TICKER: CDCC) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(CHEMDESIGN CORP. TEL: 508 345-9999)

-30- 411
#90289c0152 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY F GOODHEART OF 10222 ELLA LEE LANE, 0, HOUSTON, TX 77042, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: HRDG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. TEL: 415 892-0821)

-30- 430
#90289c0153 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM T SMITH OF 201 MAIN ST, SUITE 400, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF TANDY CORP. (TICKER: TAN) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(TANDY CORP. TEL: 817 390-3700)

-30- 392
#90289c0154 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JORDAN A SOFRO OF 13400 RIVERSIDE DR, SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91423, HAS FILED

TO SELL 3,750 SHARES OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. TEL: 818 995-7000)

-30- 424
#90289c0155 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WINTHROP C NEILSON OF 8 VERA PLACE, MONTCLAIR, NJ 07042, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,500 SHARES OF GUARDSMAN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: GPI) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(GUARDSMAN PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 616 957-2600)

-30- 420
#90289c0157 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DON C LEIN OF 5501 NORMAN CTR DR, C/O GERALD HAUGEN, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55437, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,400 SHARES OF JOSTENS INC. (TICKER: JOS) THROUGH CRAIG-HALLUM INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(JOSTENS INC. TEL: 612 830-3300)

-30- 407
#90289c0158 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAJESH MASHRUWALA OF 450 MELVILLE AVE, PALO ALTO, CA 94301, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(CONSILIUM INC. TEL: 415 691-6331)

-30- 398
#90289c0159 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT W MURRAY OF 11150 SANTA MONICA BLVD, 15TH FL, LOS ANGELES, CA 90025, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MAGNETEK INC. (TICKER: MAG) THROUGH SECURITY PACIFIC INVTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(MAGNETEK INC. TEL: 213 473-6681)

-30- 418
#90289c0160 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRIET BARRES OF 17249 HUNTINGTON PKWY, BOCA RATON, FL 33496, HAS FILED TO SELL 46,667 SHARES OF DRILLSTAR CORP. (TICKER: DRIL) THROUGH PARKER JAMESON INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(DRILLSTAR CORP. TEL: 212 496-6222)

-30- 407
#90289c0161 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL BONHEIM OF 152 EAST MAIN ST, HUNTINGTON, NY 11743, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF DIAGNOSTIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: DSIC) THROUGH GLOBEL CAPITAL SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(DIAGNOSTIC SCIENCES INC. TEL: 516 385-2340)

-30- 430
#90289c0162 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, W.H. ANDERSON II, CHAIRMAN OF BANK CORP OF GEORGIA SOLD 2,900 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90289c0163 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, W.H. ANDERSON II, CHAIRMAN OF BANK CORP OF GEORGIA SOLD 800 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,752.

-30- 307
#90289c0165 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, J.W. EVANS, PRES. OF BANK CORP OF GEORGIA SOLD 800 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,320.

-30- 292
#90289c0166 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, C.M. FORD, DIR. OF BANK CORP OF GEORGIA BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,213.

-30- 292
#90289c0167 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, M.O. WALKER, OFFICER OF BENCHMARK BANKSHARES INC. BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $10.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90289c0168 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 26, 1990, M.O. WALKER, OFFICER OF BENCHMARK BANKSHARES INC. BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,600.

-30- 312
#90289c0169 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 20, 1990, R.C. ANDERSON JR, DIR. OF CNB BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 304
#90289c0170 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, J.A. BAIRD, DIR. OF FIRST ABILENE BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABB) BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,585.

-30- 324
#90289c0171 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 14, 1990, A.E. MANCE, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED CORP. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,788.

-30- 290
#90289c0173 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, C.A. ALLDRIN, SHAREHOLDER OF MBC CORP. SOLD 970 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,546.

-30- 284
#90289c0174 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, J.B. SCHWING, CHAIRMAN OF NEW IBERIA NATL BANCORP INC. SOLD 214 SHARES AT $150.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,901.

-30- 320
#90289c0175 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, W.F. MILLER, PRES. OF ORANGE NATIONAL BANCORP. SOLD 100 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,358.

-30- 306
#90289c0176 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, G.L. MYERS, CHAIRMAN OF ORRSTOWN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. SOLD 120 SHARES AT $93.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,430.

-30- 313
#90289c0177 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, F.C. BROOKS, PRES. OF CNS INC. (TICKER: CNXS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 289
#90289c0178 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, J. SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 222,206.

-30- 309
#90289c0179 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, S.L. ANDES, DIR. OF AMALGAMATED AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRIES INC. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 317
#90289c0181 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, K.J. MYERS, PRES. OF AMALGAMATED AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRIES INC. BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,450.

-30- 321
#90289c0182 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, K.S. SWEENEY, VP OF AMALGAMATED AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRIES INC. BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90289c0183 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, K.S. SWEENEY, VP OF AMALGAMATED AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRIES INC. BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,900.

-30- 318
#90289c0184 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, D.W. REYNOLDS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THOMAS EDISON INNS INC. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,466.

-30- 336
#90289c0185 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 19, 1990, J.F. JORDAN JR, PRES. OF VANDERBILT GOLD CORP. (TICKER: VAGO) SOLD 500 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 311
#90289c0186 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 19, 1990, J.F. JORDAN JR, PRES. OF VANDERBILT GOLD CORP. (TICKER: VAGO) SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0187 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 20, 1990, J.F. JORDAN JR, PRES. OF VANDERBILT GOLD CORP. (TICKER: VAGO) SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0189 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, J.F. JORDAN JR, PRES. OF VANDERBILT GOLD CORP. (TICKER: VAGO) SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0190 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, J.F. JORDAN JR, PRES. OF VANDERBILT GOLD CORP. (TICKER: VAGO) SOLD 5,300 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0191 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, J.F. JORDAN JR, PRES. OF VANDERBILT GOLD CORP. (TICKER: VAGO) SOLD 700 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,291.

-30- 317

#90289c0192 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, J.F. JORDAN JR, PRES. OF VANDERBILT GOLD CORP. (TICKER: VAGO) SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0193 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, J.F. JORDAN JR, PRES. OF VANDERBILT GOLD CORP. (TICKER: VAGO) SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0194 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, J.F. JORDAN JR, PRES. OF VANDERBILT GOLD CORP. (TICKER: VAGO) SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0195 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, R.H. MADSEN, PRES. OF ZION'S COOPERATIVE MERCANTILE INSTITUTION BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90289c0197 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, M.W. HIRST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HART TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: HTII), SOLD 16,666 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,591,317.

-30- 345
#90289c0198 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, D.M. DUNNAWAY, SHAREHOLDER OF LDDS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: LDDS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90289c0199 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, D.M. DUNNAWAY, SHAREHOLDER OF LDDS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: LDDS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90289c0200 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, D.M. DUNNAWAY, SHAREHOLDER OF LDDS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: LDDS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90289c0201 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, L.A. MAGLIOZZI, VP OF PHARMACY MANAGEMENT SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PMSV), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

-30- 337
#90289c0202 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, B.T. MARTIN JR, DIR. OF PHARMACY MANAGEMENT SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PMSV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 343
#90289c0203 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 31, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMCA), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90289c0205 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMCA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0206 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMCA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0207 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

A.O. SMITH: SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER, BUYS 100 SHARES

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMCA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,576,584.

-30- 341
#90289c0208 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, J.M. TEMPLETON, DIR. OF TEMPLETON GLOBAL INCOME FUND INC.(TICKER: GIM), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90289c0209 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, J.M. TEMPLETON, DIR. OF TEMPLETON GLOBAL INCOME FUND INC.(TICKER: GIM), BOUGHT 22,100 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90289c0210 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 26, 1990, J.M. TEMPLETON, DIR. OF TEMPLETON GLOBAL INCOME FUND INC.(TICKER: GIM), BOUGHT 7,300 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90289c0211 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, J.M. TEMPLETON, DIR. OF TEMPLETON GLOBAL INCOME FUND INC.(TICKER: GIM), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90289c0213 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, L.R. MOORE JR, DIR. OF VANTAGE POINT ENERGY INC. (TICKER: VPEI), BOUGHT 2,833 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,371.

-30- 325
#90289c0214 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 26, 1990, F.E. SMITH, OFFICER OF WEST COAST BANCORP (CA) (TICKER: WCBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 324
#90289c0215 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 26, 1990, F.E. SMITH, OFFICER OF WEST COAST BANCORP (CA) (TICKER: WCBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 326
#90289c0216 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 4, 1990, TENSLEEP OIL & PRODUCTION INC, BEN. OWNER OF HOUSTON OIL & ENERGY INC (TICKER: HOUE) SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,695,554.

-30- 377
#90289c0217 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 22, 1990, K.M. MCGEENEY, OFFICER OF UNIQUE MOBILITY, (TICKER: UNQU) INC SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0218 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 27, 1990, K.M. MCGEENEY, OFFICER OF UNIQUE MOBILITY INC (TICKER: UNQU) SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 317
#90289c0219 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, D.R. MORGAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF UTAH RESOURCES INTERN INC BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 880,534.

-30- 339
#90289c0221 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 20, 1990, H.T. COOK JR, DIR. OF FIRST FARMERS & MERCHANTS CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $54.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,008.

-30- 312
#90289c0222 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 17, 1990, S.E. CIPAR, DIR. OF UNITED NATIONAL BANCORP. (PA) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90289c0223 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 13, 1990, L.R. FRAME, BEN. OWNER OF UNITED NATIONAL BANCORP (PA) BOUGHT 6,431 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,750.

-30- 319
#90289c0224 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, B.C. HATFIELD, BEN. OWNER OF SCIOTO DOWNS INC. BOUGHT

2,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90289c0225 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, B.C. HATFIELD, BEN. OWNER OF SCIOTO DOWNS INC. BOUGHT 120 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90289c0226 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, B.C. HATFIELD, BEN. OWNER OF SCIOTO DOWNS INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,785.

-30- 303
#90289c0227 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, R.V. PALAN, DIR. OF CNB FINANCIAL CORP. (KS) BOUGHT 240 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 280.

-30- 291
#90289c0229 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, A.P. LINTON, VP OF FCNB CORP SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,106.

-30- 269
#90289c0230 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ROBERT W BUGBEE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN BANCORP. OF NEVADA (TICKER: ABCN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 362
#90289c0231 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MURRAY GENNIS, DIR. OF AMERICAN BANCORP. OF NEVADA (TICKER: ABCN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,521.

-30- 335
#90289c0232 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, EUGENE E BECKER, DIR. OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSUR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90289c0233 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, EUGENE E BECKER, DIR. OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSUR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 341
#90289c0234 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ARTHUR D COLLINS, VP OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES (TICKER: ABT), SOLD 6,160 SHARES AT $41.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,424.

-30- 317
#90289c0235 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, THOMAS C GUELCHER, OFFICER OF AUTOCLAVE ENGINEERS INC. (TICKER: ACLV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,100.

-30- 335
#90289c0237 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, RALPH WILSON, DIR. OF ACTION STAFFING INC. (TICKER: ACTS), SOLD 26,820 SHARES AT $0.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,000.

-30- 315
#90289c0238 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ABE OBERLIN, CHAIRMAN OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90289c0239 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ABE OBERLIN, CHAIRMAN OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90289c0240 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ABE OBERLIN, CHAIRMAN OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,096,404.

-30- 299
#90289c0241 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ROBERT W TARPLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AILEEN INC. (TICKER: AEE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,100.

-30- 323
#90289c0242 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CHARLES R RINEHART, PRES. OF AHMANSON (H.F.) & CO. (TICKER: AHM), BOUGHT 4,765 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,765.

-30- 328
#90289c0243 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, M BERNARD AIDINOFF, DIR. OF AMERICAN INTL GROUP INC.

(TICKER: AIG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $59.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,024.

-30- 326
#90289c0245 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, PETER M GUTMANN, DIR. OF AMERICAN CLAIMS EVALUATION INC. (TICKER: AMCE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90289c0246 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PETER M GUTMANN, DIR. OF AMERICAN CLAIMS EVALUATION INC. (TICKER: AMCE), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 336
#90289c0247 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PETER M GUTMANN, DIR. OF AMERICAN CLAIMS EVALUATION INC. (TICKER: AMCE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,000.

-30- 339
#90289c0248 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ARTHUR B LAFFER, DIR. OF AMPLICON INC. (TICKER: AMPI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,715.

-30- 304
#90289c0249 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DUANE M GILBERT, OFFICER OF ANALYTICAL SURVEYS INC. (TICKER: ANLT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,900.

-30- 331

#90289c0250 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, SIDNEY WASSER, VP OF AMPCO-PITTSBURGH CORP. (TICKER: AP), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 304
#90289c0251 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JAMES L BUSBY, PRES. OF QMS INC. (TICKER: AQM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 625,878.

-30- 292
#90289c0253 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, WILLIAM S FRIEDMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90289c0254 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, WILLIAM S FRIEDMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90289c0255 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, WILLIAM S FRIEDMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,843,414.

-30- 365
#90289c0256 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90289c0257 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90289c0258 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90289c0259 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90289c0261 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90289c0262 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90289c0263 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90289c0264 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90289c0265 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90289c0266 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90289c0267 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 23,600 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90289c0269 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90289c0270 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, NATIONAL REALTY ADVISORS INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: ARB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,423,714.

-30- 367
#90289c0271 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0272 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0273 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90289c0274 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0275 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90289c0277 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90289c0278 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0279 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90289c0280 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90289c0281 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0282 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0283 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0285 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90289c0286 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0287 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0288 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0289 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0290 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0291 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90289c0293 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90289c0294 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90289c0295 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0296 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90289c0297 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90289c0298 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0299 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,129.

-30- 358
#90289c0301 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, TTEE OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90289c0302 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, TTEE OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90289c0303 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, TTEE OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90289c0304 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, TTEE OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90289c0305 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, TTEE OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,543,014.

-30- 378
#90289c0306 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MATTHEW A SUTTON, DIR. OF AULT INC. (TICKER: AULT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 294
#90289c0307 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ANTHONY DELUCA, VP OF AVNET INC. (TICKER: AVT), SOLD 1,091 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 287
#90289c0309 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WILLIAM M ERRICKSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BASE TEN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: BASE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 352
#90289c0310 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, HILDEBERT F CRISTE, CHAIRMAN OF BANK MARYLAND CORP. (TICKER: BKMD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90289c0311 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HILDEBERT F CRISTE, CHAIRMAN OF BANK MARYLAND CORP. (TICKER: BKMD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,552.

-30- 326
#90289c0312 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, RAWSON HAVERTY, DIR. OF BANK SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: BKSO), BOUGHT 126 SHARES AT $6.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90289c0313 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, RAWSON HAVERTY, DIR. OF BANK SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: BKSO), BOUGHT 905 SHARES AT $6.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,190.

-30- 302
#90289c0314 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 15,300 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90289c0315 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90289c0317 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90289c0318 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90289c0319 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90289c0320 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90289c0321 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 4,600 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90289c0322 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90289c0323 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90289c0325 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90289c0326 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90289c0327 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 225,200.

-30- 376
#90289c0328 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JAMES L FORBES, PRES. OF BADGER METER INC. (TICKER: BMI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90289c0329 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JAMES L FORBES, PRES. OF BADGER METER INC. (TICKER: BMI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,978.

-30- 309
#90289c0330 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, THOMAS J VOS, OFFICER OF BOWNE & CO. (TICKER: BNE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 297

#90289c0331 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, GARY O MARINO, PRES. OF BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOCA), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90289c0333 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, VERNON F TAYLOR III, DIR. OF BRADMAR PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: BPC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90289c0334 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, VERNON F TAYLOR III, DIR. OF BRADMAR PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: BPC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 321
#90289c0335 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, LAWRENCE M UBERTINI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90289c0336 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M UBERTINI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90289c0337 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LAWRENCE M UBERTINI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,187.

-30- 353
#90289c0338 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90289c0339 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90289c0341 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, CHAIRMAN OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90289c0342 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, CATERPILLAR EMP INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CATERPILLAR INC. (TICKER: CAT), BOUGHT 2,488 SHARES AT $39.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90289c0343 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CHARLES E TEMPLER, OFFICER OF COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: CBSH), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $22.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18.

-30- 330
#90289c0344 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MARK L LANGLEY, OFFICER OF CASTLE ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CECX), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0345 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MARK L LANGLEY, OFFICER OF CASTLE ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CECX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0346 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, MARK L LANGLEY, OFFICER OF CASTLE ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CECX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0347 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, STEPHEN G LEE, VP OF CERNER CORP. (TICKER: CERN), SOLD 18,432 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90289c0349 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, STEPHEN G LEE, VP OF CERNER CORP. (TICKER: CERN), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90289c0350 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN R OLIVER, VP OF CITIZENS FIRST BANCORP INC. (NJ) (TICKER: CFB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,294.

-30- 330
#90289c0351 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, AGRI INTERNATIONAL INC, BEN. OWNER OF GOLDEN POULTRY CO.

(TICKER: CHIK), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90289c0352 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, AGRI INTERNATIONAL INC, BEN. OWNER OF GOLDEN POULTRY CO. (TICKER: CHIK), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,145,000.

-30- 335
#90289c0353 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DONALD L NEVINS JR, OFFICER OF CHARTER POWER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,952.

-30- 338
#90289c0354 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ALFRED WEBER, PRES. OF CHARTER POWER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHP), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,200.

-30- 324
#90289c0355 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90289c0357 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 3,750 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 144,217.

-30- 329

#90289c0358 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,735.

-30- 326
#90289c0359 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, SHELDON N LEWIS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE CLOROX CO. (TICKER: CLX), SOLD 3,372 SHARES AT $33.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90289c0360 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, SHELDON N LEWIS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE CLOROX CO. (TICKER: CLX), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0361 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, MARVIN SELIG, DIV. OFFICER OF COMMERCIAL METALS CO. (TICKER: CMC), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 223,525.

-30- 326
#90289c0362 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOHN W JORDAN II, DIR. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0363 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JOHN W JORDAN II, DIR. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 361,185.

-30- 322
#90289c0365 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, GEORGE A WALKER, DIR. OF CONDOR SERVICES INC. (TICKER: COND), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 308
#90289c0366 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROBERT P DELAY, PRES. OF CONSERVATIVE SAVINGS CORP. (TICKER: CONS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 330
#90289c0367 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROBERT P DELAY, PRES. OF CONSERVATIVE SAVINGS CORP. (TICKER: CONS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 325
#90289c0368 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, NEAL C HANSEN, DIR. OF CONSERVATIVE SAVINGS CORP. (TICKER: CONS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 327
#90289c0369 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, SHERMAN J KEMMER, DIR. OF CIPRICO INC. (TICKER: CPCI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 233,440.

-30- 302
#90289c0370 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LEE ADREAN, VP OF CAPITAL HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: CPH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $31.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 299
#90289c0371 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, LEE E COCHRANE, OFFICER OF COURIER CORP. (TICKER: CRRC), BOUGHT 377 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,058.

-30- 303
#90289c0373 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JONATHAN J GOLOVIN, CHAIRMAN OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90289c0374 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JONATHAN J GOLOVIN, CHAIRMAN OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90289c0375 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, JONATHAN J GOLOVIN, CHAIRMAN OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90289c0376 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JONATHAN J GOLOVIN, CHAIRMAN OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $18.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90289c0377 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JONATHAN J GOLOVIN, CHAIRMAN OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,692,446.

-30- 321
#90289c0378 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, RAJESH MASHRUWALA, OFFICER OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $18.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 269,131.

-30- 317
#90289c0379 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CAROL WHITFIELD, OFFICER OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90289c0381 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DENNIS E BEACH, OFFICER OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,663.

-30- 319
#90289c0382 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, GERALD TSAI JR, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL AIRLINES HLDGS INC. (TICKER: CTA), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,500.

-30- 333
#90289c0383 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JAMES B WILSON, SHAREHOLDER OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $81.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90289c0384 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JAMES B WILSON, SHAREHOLDER OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $75.77 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,196.

-30- 350
#90289c0385 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ARNO W MCGRAW JR, DIR. OF DEFIANCE INC. (TICKER: DEFI), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,000.

-30- 305
#90289c0386 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RICHARD E SALWEN, OFFICER OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,588.

-30- 322
#90289c0387 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, KENNETH W BITTICKS, DIR. OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90289c0389 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, KENNETH W BITTICKS, DIR. OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 290,035.

-30- 345
#90289c0390 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, H BLAIR WHITE, DIR. OF DONNELLEY (R.R.) & SONS CO. (TICKER: DNY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $39.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90289c0391 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, H BLAIR WHITE, DIR. OF DONNELLEY (R.R.) & SONS CO. (TICKER: DNY), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $37.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,200.

-30- 327
#90289c0392 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MICHAEL E GOLDEN, DIR. OF D.O.C. OPTICS CORP. (TICKER: DOCO), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 165,350.

-30- 316
#90289c0393 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, TERRY L CLAUFF, VP OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,006.

-30- 294
#90289c0394 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DONALD F DAY, CHAIRMAN OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90289c0395 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DONALD F DAY, CHAIRMAN OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 306

#90289c0397 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DONALD F DAY, CHAIRMAN OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,884.

-30- 306
#90289c0398 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JEROME L HEINRICHS, DIR. OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,900.

-30- 307
#90289c0399 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, CHRISTOPHER R HELD, DIR. OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,560.

-30- 303
#90289c0400 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0401 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0402 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281

#90289c0403 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0405 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,800 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0406 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0407 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 627,659.

-30- 320
#90289c0408 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, MAURICE LATHOWERS JR, OFFICER OF DVI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVIC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90289c0409 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, MAURICE LATHOWERS JR, OFFICER OF DVI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVIC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,500.

-30- 326
#90289c0410 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, SHIRLEY CHALMERS, DIR. OF ELECTRONICS MISSILES & COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: ECIN), BOUGHT 1,499 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 363
#90289c0411 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, THOMAS S NURNBERGER, CHAIRMAN OF ESELCO INC. (TICKER: EDSE), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90289c0413 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 04, 1988, HENRY FONG, PRES. OF EQUITEX INC. (TICKER: EQTX), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90289c0414 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1988, HENRY FONG, PRES. OF EQUITEX INC. (TICKER: EQTX), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90289c0415 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1988, HENRY FONG, PRES. OF EQUITEX INC. (TICKER: EQTX), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,181,000.

-30- 298
#90289c0416 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1988, HENRY FONG, PRES. OF EQUITEX INC. (TICKER: EQTX), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90289c0417 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 21, 1988, HENRY FONG, PRES. OF EQUITEX INC. (TICKER: EQTX), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90289c0418 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1988, HENRY FONG, PRES. OF EQUITEX INC. (TICKER: EQTX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,331,000.

-30- 298
#90289c0419 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, WILLIAM C FORD JR, DIR. OF FORD MOTOR CO. (DEL) (TICKER: F), BOUGHT 6,404 SHARES AT $34.99 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,249.

-30- 315
#90289c0421 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CATESBY C JONES, DIR. OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0422 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, CATESBY C JONES, DIR. OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,100.

-30- 331
#90289c0423 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOSEPH GARODNICK, VP OF FIBRONICS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FBRX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,200.

-30- 325
#90289c0424 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, JAMES A MONRO JR, VP OF FABRI CENTERS AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FCA), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90289c0425 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, JAMES A MONRO JR, VP OF FABRI CENTERS AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FCA), SOLD 8,200 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,800.

-30- 325
#90289c0426 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ROBERT L NORTON, VP OF FABRI CENTERS AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FCA), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90289c0427 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ROBERT L NORTON, VP OF FABRI CENTERS AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FCA), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0429 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROBERT L NORTON, VP OF FABRI CENTERS AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FCA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90289c0430 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ROBERT L NORTON, VP OF FABRI CENTERS AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FCA), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90289c0431 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ROBERT L NORTON, VP OF FABRI CENTERS AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FCA), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0432 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ROBERT L NORTON, VP OF FABRI CENTERS AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FCA), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0433 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ROBERT L NORTON, VP OF FABRI CENTERS AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FCA), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0434 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ROBERT L NORTON, VP OF FABRI CENTERS AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FCA), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0435 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ROBERT L NORTON, VP OF FABRI CENTERS AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FCA), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,650.

-30- 325

#90289c0437 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90289c0438 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90289c0439 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90289c0440 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90289c0441 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 128,875.

-30- 331
#90289c0442 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, T ALLAN MCARTOR, VP OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90289c0443 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, T ALLAN MCARTOR, VP OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 315
#90289c0445 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC. (TICKER: FF), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90289c0446 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC. (TICKER: FF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90289c0447 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC. (TICKER: FF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90289c0448 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC. (TICKER: FF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90289c0449 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC. (TICKER: FF), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90289c0450 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC. (TICKER: FF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90289c0451 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC. (TICKER: FF), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,806.

-30- 380
#90289c0453 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, FRANK E LAUGHON JR, DIR. OF FIDELITY FEDERAL SVGS BANK RICH (VA) (TICKER: FFRV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,100.

-30- 355
#90289c0454 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ARCHIE F WEAVER, DIR. OF FIDELITY BANCSHARES INC. (TN) (TICKER: FFTN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.17 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,650.

-30- 335
#90289c0455 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, FUJIO MATSUDA, DIR. OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 309
#90289c0456 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, RICHARD T FARMER, DIR. OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,687.

-30- 324
#90289c0457 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, STEPHEN L BROWN, CHAIRMAN OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), BOUGHT 158 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,541.

-30- 325
#90289c0458 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, HARRY J BLOEM, DIR. OF FIRST MICHIGAN BANK CORP. (TICKER: FMBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,119.

-30- 324
#90289c0459 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, C RIDGLEY WHITE, DIR. OF F & M NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FMNT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90289c0461 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 3,235 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90289c0462 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 977 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90289c0463 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 6,591 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,213.

-30- 302
#90289c0464 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 509 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90289c0465 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 288 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,355.

-30- 299
#90289c0466 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, FOREST D DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 1,350 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90289c0467 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, RICHARD B DORN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,348.

-30- 328
#90289c0469 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JEFFREY W MILLER, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 4,535 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,403.

-30- 310
#90289c0470 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, SAMMY L NEAL, DIR. OF FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRFD), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,120.

-30- 324
#90289c0471 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, SAMMY L NEAL, DIR. OF FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRFD), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,120.

-30- 324
#90289c0472 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, EDWARD L BAKER, CHAIRMAN OF FLORIDA ROCK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FRK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90289c0473 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, EDWARD L BAKER, CHAIRMAN OF FLORIDA ROCK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FRK), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90289c0474 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, EDWARD L BAKER, CHAIRMAN OF FLORIDA ROCK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FRK), SOLD 4,800 SHARES AT $29.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,301,044.

-30- 332
#90289c0475 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, GEORGE P ABEL, DIR. OF FIRSTIER FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: FRST), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $33.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 296,306.

-30- 324
#90289c0477 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, THOMAS R CLEVENGER, DIR. OF FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FRTH), SOLD 9,556 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 96,126.

-30- 329
#90289c0478 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PAUL D ZIEMER, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 619.

-30- 307
#90289c0479 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, KENNETH GREENBAUM, VP OF FRUIT OF THE LOOM INC. (TICKER: FTL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 316
#90289c0480 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ERIC C KENDRICK, DIR. OF FIRST VIRGINIA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FVB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,653.

-30- 327
#90289c0481 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, RONALD E FERGUSON, SHAREHOLDER OF FINEVEST FOODS INC. (TICKER: FVF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,300.

-30- 331
#90289c0482 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JAMES R ARCARA, VP OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GDC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90289c0483 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JAMES R ARCARA, VP OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GDC), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90289c0485 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CLIFFORD J VAUGHAN, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 4,438 SHARES AT $32.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90289c0486 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, SYDNEY L KATZ, VP OF GROSSMAN'S INC. (TICKER: GROS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 297
#90289c0487 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, RICHARD E KENT, VP OF GROSSMAN'S INC. (TICKER: GROS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 300
#90289c0488 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0489 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0490 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0491 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0493 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0494 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0495 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0496 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0497 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0498 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,988.

-30- 331
#90289c0499 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ATLEE M KOHL, DIR. OF GROWTH STOCK OUTLOOK TRUST INC. (TICKER: GSO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,583.

-30- 336
#90289c0501 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, LLOYD L LONDON, DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 30,131 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,277,737.

-30- 349
#90289c0502 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 130,000 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90289c0503 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0504 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90289c0505 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 7,800 SHARES AT $1.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0506 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 67,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0507 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 23,500 SHARES AT $1.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0509 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 49,500 SHARES AT $1.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0510 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 67,100 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0511 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0512 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $1.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90289c0513 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $1.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90289c0514 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0515 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0517 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 5,300 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0518 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0519 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 33,400 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,597,300.

-30- 325
#90289c0520 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 130,000 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90289c0521 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.27 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0522 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90289c0523 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 7,800 SHARES AT $1.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0525 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 23,500 SHARES AT $1.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0526 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $1.54 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0527 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 49,500 SHARES AT $1.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0528 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 67,100 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0529 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0530 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $1.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0531 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $1.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90289c0533 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0534 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $1.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0535 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 5,300 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0536 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90289c0537 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 33,400 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,597,300.

-30- 339
#90289c0538 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, CHARLES R ENNIS, VP OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,006.

-30- 291
#90289c0539 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, A WILLIAM REYNOLDS, CHAIRMAN OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90289c0541 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, A WILLIAM REYNOLDS, CHAIRMAN OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 6,700 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,693.

-30- 313
#90289c0542 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ANNE L ARMSTRONG, DIR. OF HALLIBURTON CO. (TICKER: HAL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $56.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 305
#90289c0543 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LESTER L COLEMAN, OFFICER OF HALLIBURTON CO. (TICKER: HAL), BOUGHT 191 SHARES AT $52.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90289c0544 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, GERALD E MAYO, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,379.

-30- 327
#90289c0545 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, MARTIN SACKS, PRES. OF INTERNATIONAL MICROCCOMPUTER SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: IMSF), BOUGHT 2,000,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000,000.

-30- 375
#90289c0546 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JULIUS KAPLAN, DIR. OF MEMTEK CORP. (TICKER: METK), SOLD 6,100 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90289c0547 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JULIUS KAPLAN, DIR. OF MEMTEK CORP. (TICKER: METK), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90289c0549 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, DENNIS P MANSOUR, OFFICER OF HEALTH-MOR INC. (TICKER: HMI), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250.

-30- 307
#90289c0550 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PHILLIP W FARMER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90289c0551 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PHILLIP W FARMER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 323
#90289c0552 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, THOMAS M SCALLEN, VP OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING CORP. (TICKER: IBCA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 323
#90289c0553 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, GRAHAM H BLAKE, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANKGROUP INC. (TICKER: IBGI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,932.

-30- 329
#90289c0554 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, NOEL L LUSSIER, CHAIRMAN OF INDEPENDENT BANKGROUP INC. (TICKER: IBGI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,077.

-30- 334
#90289c0555 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, NOEL L LUSSIER, CHAIRMAN OF INDEPENDENT BANKGROUP INC. (TICKER: IBGI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 339
#90289c0557 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, GEORGE T BAKER, VP OF INTERNATIONAL GAME TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: IGAM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90289c0558 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GEORGE T BAKER, VP OF INTERNATIONAL GAME TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: IGAM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 326
#90289c0559 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, RICHARD BLOCK, PRES. OF IPCO CORP. (TICKER: IHS), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 250
#90289c0560 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, RICHARD BLOCK, PRES. OF IPCO CORP. (TICKER: IHS), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,000.

-30- 290
#90289c0561 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ROBERT J LOANE, VP OF INFODATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INFD), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90289c0562 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ROBERT J LOANE, VP OF INFODATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INFD), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90289c0563 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ROBERT J LOANE, VP OF INFODATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INFD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,942.

-30- 310
#90289c0565 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DAVID W BRANDENBURG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERVOICE INC. (TICKER: INTV), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,409.

-30- 337
#90289c0566 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, DAVID W BRANDENBURG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERVOICE INC. (TICKER: INTV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.84 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90289c0567 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DAVID W BRANDENBURG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERVOICE INC. (TICKER: INTV), BOUGHT 1,484 SHARES AT $10.84 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90289c0568 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DAVID W BRANDENBURG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERVOICE INC. (TICKER: INTV), BOUGHT 1,485 SHARES AT $10.84 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90289c0569 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, BRUCE A MORRICE, DIR. OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 309
#90289c0570 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JAMES J BAIRD JR, PRES. OF INSITUFORM SOUTHEAST CORP. (TICKER: ISEC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 330
#90289c0571 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 29, 1990, JOHN H HUTCHISON, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: ITX), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90289c0573 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 25, 1990, WILLIAM M DOLLAR, OFFICER OF HARLAND (JOHN H.) CO. (TICKER: JH), BOUGHT 288 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90289c0574 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, SASH A SPENCER, DIR. OF JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JII), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90289c0575 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, SASH A SPENCER, DIR. OF JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC.

(TICKER: JII), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90289c0576 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, SASH A SPENCER, DIR. OF JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JII), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90289c0577 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, SASH A SPENCER, DIR. OF JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JII), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 312
#90289c0578 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DALE J GONZALEZ, VP OF KIT MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: KIT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,650.

-30- 315
#90289c0579 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, KIMBERLY CLARK EMPLOYEE PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF KIMBERLY-CLARK CORP. (TICKER: KMB), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $68.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90289c0581 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, PRESTON F HARDING, DIR. OF LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: LCBI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90289c0582 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, PRESTON F HARDING, DIR. OF LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: LCBI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 173,002.

-30- 343
#90289c0583 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JAMES W BRACKE, CHAIRMAN OF LIFECORE BIOMEDICAL INC. (TICKER: LCBM), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0584 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JAMES W BRACKE, CHAIRMAN OF LIFECORE BIOMEDICAL INC. (TICKER: LCBM), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 334
#90289c0585 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES R KILLPACK, DIR. OF LDI CORP. (TICKER: LDIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 292
#90289c0586 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, RICHARD T FISHER, DIR. OF LEGGETT & PLATT INC. (TICKER: LEG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0587 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, RICHARD T FISHER, DIR. OF LEGGETT & PLATT INC. (TICKER: LEG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277

#90289c0589 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, RICHARD T FISHER, DIR. OF LEGGETT & PLATT INC. (TICKER: LEG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90289c0590 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, RICHARD T FISHER, DIR. OF LEGGETT & PLATT INC. (TICKER: LEG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,900.

-30- 318
#90289c0591 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JOHN P MCBRIDE, VP OF LINCOLN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LFIN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,575.

-30- 315
#90289c0592 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHN V BUTLER, VP OF LINCOLN FOODSERVICE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: LINN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 320
#90289c0593 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DAVID O COLE, VP OF LINCOLN FOODSERVICE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: LINN), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 311
#90289c0594 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, THOMAS C GRIFFITH, CHAIRMAN OF LINCOLN FOODSERVICE

PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: LINN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90289c0595 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, THOMAS C GRIFFITH, CHAIRMAN OF LINCOLN FOODSERVICE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: LINN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 338
#90289c0597 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ROLAND D BURKHART, DIR. OF LIONEL CORP. (TICKER: LIO), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,300.

-30- 301
#90289c0598 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ALLEN MCNEARY, VP OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90289c0599 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ALLEN MCNEARY, VP OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 475 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90289c0600 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ALLEN MCNEARY, VP OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 250 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90289c0601 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, LILLY ENDOWMENT INC, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 261 SHARES AT $73.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,242,683.

-30- 331
#90289c0602 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, THOMAS O YEP, DIV. OFFICER OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,116.

-30- 322
#90289c0603 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MARGARET T MONACO, OFFICER OF THE LIMITED INC. (TICKER: LTD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 313
#90289c0605 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1989, FRANK PERNA JR, PRES. OF MAGNETEK INC. (TICKER: MAG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90289c0606 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 06, 1989, FRANK PERNA JR, PRES. OF MAGNETEK INC. (TICKER: MAG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90289c0607 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 17, 1989, FRANK PERNA JR, PRES. OF MAGNETEK INC. (TICKER: MAG), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260

#90289c0608 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 29, 1989, FRANK PERNA JR, PRES. OF MAGNETEK INC. (TICKER: MAG), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90289c0609 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, FRANK PERNA JR, PRES. OF MAGNETEK INC. (TICKER: MAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90289c0610 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, G THOMAS ANDES, DIR. OF MAGNA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MAGI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90289c0611 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES D JOLLEY, VP OF MAGNA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MAGI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,038.

-30- 303
#90289c0613 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, SAMELSON REAL E PARTNERS INC, BEN. OWNER OF MAJOR REALTY CORP. (TICKER: MAJR), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90289c0614 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, SAMELSON REAL E PARTNERS INC, BEN. OWNER OF MAJOR REALTY CORP. (TICKER: MAJR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,280,500.

-30- 349
#90289c0615 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, FRANCIS C BRUNO, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), BOUGHT 769 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 769.

-30- 324
#90289c0616 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ISADORE H HANDMAKER, DIR. OF MEI DIVERSIFIED INC. (TICKER: MEI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90289c0617 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ISADORE H HANDMAKER, DIR. OF MEI DIVERSIFIED INC. (TICKER: MEI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 323
#90289c0618 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, TRUEMAN E TRYHUS, DIR. OF METROPOLITAN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: MFC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,946.

-30- 335
#90289c0619 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, W JOHN DRISCOLL, DIR. OF MIP PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: MIP), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90289c0621 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, W JOHN DRISCOLL, DIR. OF MIP PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER:

MIP), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,286.

-30- 315
#90289c0622 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOHN F TORLEY, DIR. OF THE MONARCH MACHINE TOOL CO. (TICKER: MMO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,836.

-30- 328
#90289c0623 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, MICHIGAN NATL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 8,713 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,391,536.

-30- 350
#90289c0624 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, MORRIS D THOMPSON JR, DIR. OF MITCHELL ENERGY & DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: MND), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,592.

-30- 353
#90289c0625 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, FREDERICK A KREHBIEL, BEN. OWNER OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,024,983.

-30- 322
#90289c0626 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, WALLACE R BUNN, DIR. OF MORRISON INC. (TICKER: MORR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,666.

-30- 299
#90289c0627 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOE B BYRUM, OFFICER OF MORRISON INC. (TICKER: MORR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90289c0629 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MARK M LEVIN, CHAIRMAN OF THE MID-SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: MSRR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 182,376.

-30- 316
#90289c0630 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, FRANK K TURNER, PRES. OF THE MID-SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: MSRR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,146.

-30- 311
#90289c0631 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RICHARD R WEST, OFFICER OF MUNIVEST FUND INC. (TICKER: MVF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90289c0632 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DAVID W BELL, VP OF NASH FINCH CO. (TICKER: NAFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 296
#90289c0633 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 30, 1990, STEVE SAMBERG, DIR. OF NANTUCKET INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NAN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 2,000.

-30- 311
#90289c0634 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 18, 1990, STEVE SAMBERG, DIR. OF NANTUCKET INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NAN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90289c0635 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, LOUIS BETANZOS, VP OF NBD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,846.

-30- 305
#90289c0637 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, CHARLES W COKER JR, DIR. OF NCNB CORP. (TICKER: NCB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $25.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90289c0638 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, CHARLES W COKER JR, DIR. OF NCNB CORP. (TICKER: NCB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,500.

-30- 295
#90289c0639 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, EMIL SOLIMINE, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 645 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 311,777.

-30- 328
#90289c0640 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, WAYNE F KENNEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF NEW ENGLAND CRITICAL CARE INC. (TICKER: NECC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,780.

-30- 363
#90289c0641 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, FRANK J COOKE, DIR. OF CONNECTICUT BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NKBK), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,200.

-30- 324
#90289c0642 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, GEORGE P THERMOS, OFFICER OF NUVEEN MUN ADVANTAGE FD INC. (TICKER: NMA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 341
#90289c0643 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JUDY M BROOKS, OFFICER OF NORMANDY OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: NMDY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 327
#90289c0645 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, STEVEN I BARLOW, PRES. OF NAPA VALLEY BANCORP. (TICKER: NVBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,644.

-30- 323
#90289c0646 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, EDMOND F BROVELLI JR, DIR. OF NAPA VALLEY BANCORP. (TICKER: NVBC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,148.

-30- 329
#90289c0647 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JAMES A MAGGETTI, DIR. OF NAPA VALLEY BANCORP. (TICKER: NVBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90289c0648 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JAMES A MAGGETTI, DIR. OF NAPA VALLEY BANCORP. (TICKER: NVBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90289c0649 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JAMES A MAGGETTI, DIR. OF NAPA VALLEY BANCORP. (TICKER: NVBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,154.

-30- 321
#90289c0650 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, DWIGHT H MURRAY JR, DIR. OF NAPA VALLEY BANCORP. (TICKER: NVBC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 327
#90289c0651 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, RAYMOND E JOHNSON, DIR. OF NORTHWEST ILLINOIS BANCORP INC (TICKER: NWIB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,071.

-30- 345
#90289c0653 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOSEPH L MARCUM, CHAIRMAN OF OHIO CASUALTY CORP. (TICKER: OCAS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90289c0654 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOSEPH L MARCUM, CHAIRMAN OF OHIO CASUALTY CORP. (TICKER: OCAS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 141,242.

-30- 325
#90289c0655 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOSEPH L MARCUM, CHAIRMAN OF OHIO CASUALTY CORP. (TICKER: OCAS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 618,450.

-30- 327
#90289c0656 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PETER J SOLOMON, DIR. OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 313
#90289c0657 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JAMES B SHERWOOD, CHAIRMAN OF ORIENT EXPRESS HOTELS INC. (TICKER: OEH), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90289c0658 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JAMES B SHERWOOD, CHAIRMAN OF ORIENT EXPRESS HOTELS INC. (TICKER: OEH), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90289c0659 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JAMES B SHERWOOD, CHAIRMAN OF ORIENT EXPRESS HOTELS INC. (TICKER: OEH), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90289c0661 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES B SHERWOOD, CHAIRMAN OF ORIENT EXPRESS HOTELS INC. (TICKER: OEH), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90289c0662 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JAMES B SHERWOOD, CHAIRMAN OF ORIENT EXPRESS HOTELS INC. (TICKER: OEH), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90289c0663 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES B SHERWOOD, CHAIRMAN OF ORIENT EXPRESS HOTELS INC. (TICKER: OEH), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90289c0664 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JAMES B SHERWOOD, CHAIRMAN OF ORIENT EXPRESS HOTELS INC. (TICKER: OEH), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,420,685.

-30- 338
#90289c0665 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, STONERIDGE RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORANGE-CO. (TICKER: OJ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90289c0666 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, STONERIDGE RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORANGE-CO. (TICKER: OJ), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90289c0667 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, STONERIDGE RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORANGE-CO. (TICKER: OJ), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,353,160.

-30- 328
#90289c0669 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JAMES B BRIGGS, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 201,684.

-30- 319
#90289c0670 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, C RIDGLEY WHITE, DIR. OF O'SULLIVAN CORP. (TICKER: OSL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,770.

-30- 300
#90289c0671 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $28.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0672 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS

PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0673 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0674 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0675 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0677 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0678 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0679 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS

PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0680 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0681 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0682 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0683 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0685 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0686 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS

PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0687 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90289c0688 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,680,123.

-30- 361
#90289c0689 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 3,240 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90289c0690 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 3,240 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90289c0691 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 3,105 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90289c0693 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90289c0694 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 245 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90289c0695 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $28.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90289c0696 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90289c0697 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90289c0698 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90289c0699 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,379,707.

-30- 380
#90289c0701 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 15, 1989, JOHN H HILL, VP OF PANCHO'S MEXICAN BUFFET INC. (TICKER: PAMX), SOLD 495 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90289c0702 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JOHN H HILL, VP OF PANCHO'S MEXICAN BUFFET INC. (TICKER: PAMX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 590.

-30- 318
#90289c0703 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ROBERT A LEVINSON, PRES. OF PANTEPEC INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PAN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 253,900.

-30- 332
#90289c0704 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DAVID D LUNG, PRES. OF PATRICK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PATK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,439.

-30- 306
#90289c0705 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HENRY J CIBOROWSKI, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,131.

-30- 346
#90289c0706 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JOSEPH GOLDENBERG, DIR. OF PLY-GEM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PGI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90289c0707 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JOHN L HANSON, OFFICER OF PARKER-HANNIFIN CORP. (TICKER: PH), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,805.

-30- 314
#90289c0709 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DOUGLAS D DANFORTH, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,963.

-30- 318
#90289c0710 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, DONALD R BRIGGS, VP OF POTOMAC ELECTRIC POWER CO. (TICKER: POM), SOLD 1,315 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,707.

-30- 327
#90289c0711 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90289c0712 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $36.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90289c0713 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), SOLD 2,900 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90289c0714 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90289c0715 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $36.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90289c0717 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 07, 1989, JOHN R DUNCAN, DIR. OF PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PSIX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 323
#90289c0718 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1989, JOHN R DUNCAN, DIR. OF PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PSIX), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90289c0719 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHN W CREIGHTON JR, DIR. OF PUGET SOUND BANCORP.

(TICKER: PSNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,800.

-30- 329
#90289c0720 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, GARY N GARDNER, DIR. OF PUGET SOUND BANCORP. (TICKER: PSNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,504.

-30- 322
#90289c0721 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, RICHARD B ODLIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PUGET SOUND BANCORP. (TICKER: PSNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 91,729.

-30- 346
#90289c0722 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ROBERT A LINN, OFFICER OF PUBLIC SERVICE CO. OF NORTH CAROLINA (TICKER: PSNC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90289c0723 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, NEIL J COLVIN, VP OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90289c0725 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, J B SLAGLE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PUROFLOW INC. (TICKER: PURO), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90289c0726 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, J B SLAGLE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PUROFLOW INC. (TICKER: PURO), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 230,500.

-30- 323
#90289c0727 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, DRURY J GALLAGHER, DIR. OF POWER SPECTRA INC. (TICKER: PWSP), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 218,444.

-30- 319
#90289c0728 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, FOUR WINDS INC, BEN. OWNER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 3,000,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400,000.

-30- 359
#90289c0729 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JAY S REIBEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), BOUGHT 324,625 SHARES AT $7.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 568,851.

-30- 354
#90289c0730 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ARTHUR H BERNSTEIN, DIR. OF RYDER SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: R), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90289c0731 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ARTHUR H BERNSTEIN, DIR. OF RYDER SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: R), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90289c0733 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ARTHUR H BERNSTEIN, DIR. OF RYDER SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: R), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90289c0734 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ARTHUR H BERNSTEIN, DIR. OF RYDER SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: R), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90289c0735 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ARTHUR H BERNSTEIN, DIR. OF RYDER SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: R), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90289c0736 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ARTHUR H BERNSTEIN, DIR. OF RYDER SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: R), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,500.

-30- 310
#90289c0737 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, WILLIAM T KELLEHER JR, DIR. OF RARITAN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: RARB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90289c0738 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLIAM T KELLEHER JR, DIR. OF RARITAN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: RARB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90289c0739 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WILLIAM T KELLEHER JR, DIR. OF RARITAN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: RARB), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,100.

-30- 326
#90289c0741 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, DAVID EDMUND SONN, VP OF THE RAYMOND CORP. (TICKER: RAYM), BOUGHT 650 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 650.

-30- 295
#90289c0742 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ROGER N GREENE, VP OF BARRIE (RICHARD) FRAGANCES INC. (TICKER: RBFI), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90289c0743 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, ROGER N GREENE, VP OF BARRIE (RICHARD) FRAGANCES INC. (TICKER: RBFI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90289c0744 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ROGER N GREENE, VP OF BARRIE (RICHARD) FRAGANCES INC. (TICKER: RBFI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90289c0745 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, ROGER N GREENE, VP OF BARRIE (RICHARD) FRAGANCES INC.

(TICKER: RBFI), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 184,600.

-30- 337
#90289c0746 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, MYER N FRANKLIN, DIR. OF REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: RBNC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90289c0747 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, MYER N FRANKLIN, DIR. OF REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: RBNC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90289c0749 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ROBERT W MILLER, OFFICER OF THE REECE CORP. (TICKER: RCE), BOUGHT 650 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,250.

-30- 301
#90289c0750 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROBERT E MCWILLIAMS, VP OF ROWAN COS. (TICKER: RDC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,510.

-30- 299
#90289c0751 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ARLENE Z SCHREIBER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REEDS JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: REED), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,125.

-30- 353
#90289c0752 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ALAN M ZIMMER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REEDS JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: REED), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,625.

-30- 364
#90289c0753 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HERBERT J ZIMMER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REEDS JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: REED), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,125.

-30- 349
#90289c0754 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JEFFREY L ZIMMER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REEDS JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: REED), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,125.

-30- 348
#90289c0755 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ROBERT L SAXE, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RESEARCH FRONTIERS INC. (TICKER: REFR), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 261,250.

-30- 372
#90289c0757 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 09, 1990, VICTOR C OTLEY JR, DIR. OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90289c0758 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 09, 1990, VICTOR C OTLEY JR, DIR. OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90289c0759 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 09, 1990, VICTOR C OTLEY JR, DIR. OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,001.

-30- 320
#90289c0760 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, FRANK J LEONARDI, OFFICER OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS), SOLD 6,670 SHARES AT $11.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90289c0761 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, DAVID M SMITH, OFFICER OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS), SOLD 51,907 SHARES AT $11.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 455,213.

-30- 303
#90289c0762 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1990, KIETH E SORENSON, PRES. OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS), SOLD 51,907 SHARES AT $11.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 455,213.

-30- 306
#90289c0763 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JEROME D MACK, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC PICTURES CORP. (TICKER: RPIC), BOUGHT 11,600 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 765,200.

-30- 336
#90289c0765 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, KURT B KARMIN, CHAIRMAN OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL

GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0766 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, KURT B KARMIN, CHAIRMAN OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), BOUGHT 6,100 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 237,192.

-30- 355
#90289c0767 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, KURT B KARMIN, CHAIRMAN OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90289c0768 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JOHN P SIEFF, CHAIRMAN OF S & M CO. (TICKER: SAME), BOUGHT 53,068 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 505,772.

-30- 302
#90289c0769 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ANDREW TAYLOR MOORE JR, VP OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,187.

-30- 314
#90289c0770 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, CHARLES F FARRELL, DIR. OF SEALED AIR CORP. (TICKER: SEE), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,100.

-30- 311
#90289c0771 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CHARLES W CORBITT, DIR. OF SFFED CORP. (TICKER: SFFD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90289c0773 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CHARLES W CORBITT, DIR. OF SFFED CORP. (TICKER: SFFD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 301
#90289c0774 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DAVID S JOSEPH, CHAIRMAN OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,908.

-30- 347
#90289c0775 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, RICHARD T DOERMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90289c0776 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, RICHARD T DOERMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90289c0777 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, RICHARD T DOERMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,898.

-30- 331
#90289c0778 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, LAWRENCE I SILLS, PRES. OF STANDARD MOTOR PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: SMP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 483,285.

-30- 329
#90289c0779 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, PETER MULLER, DIR. OF SPIEGEL INC. (TICKER: SPGL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 295
#90289c0781 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, EUGENE MADAY, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTHERN STARR BROADCASTING GROUP INC. (TICKER: SSBG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 187,514.

-30- 361
#90289c0782 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, EUGENE MADAY, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTHERN STARR BROADCASTING GROUP INC. (TICKER: SSBG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 185,514.

-30- 361
#90289c0783 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROBERT J LENZ, OFFICER OF STOKELY USA INC. (TICKER: STKY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 303
#90289c0784 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)

(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0785 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0786 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0787 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0789 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0790 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0791 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)

(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0792 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0793 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0794 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0795 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0797 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0798 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)

(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0799 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0800 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0801 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0802 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0803 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)
(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0805 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY)

(TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90289c0806 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 407,398.

-30- 334
#90289c0807 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HOUSE OF WORTH TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF ST IVES LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: SWIS), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90289c0808 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HOUSE OF WORTH TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF ST IVES LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: SWIS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100,978.

-30- 356
#90289c0809 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES J CONNOLLY, SHAREHOLDER OF TECHNICAL COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: TCCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90289c0810 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, WILLIAM S FRIEDMAN, PRES. OF TRANSCONTINENTAL REALTY INVS INC.(DE) (TICKER: TCI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90289c0811 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, WILLIAM S FRIEDMAN, PRES. OF TRANSCONTINENTAL REALTY INVS INC.(DE) (TICKER: TCI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,950.

-30- 360
#90289c0813 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROBERT E CRAINE, VP OF T/SF COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: TCM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90289c0814 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ROBERT E CRAINE, VP OF T/SF COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: TCM), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,800.

-30- 317
#90289c0815 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, RICHARD W GOODRUM, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,617.

-30- 339
#90289c0816 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90289c0817 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90289c0818 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90289c0819 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JOHN D GOTTWALD, PRES. OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,563.

-30- 318
#90289c0821 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, DAVID J STUMLER, OFFICER OF THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TII), BOUGHT 280 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 280.

-30- 313
#90289c0822 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JOHN E CASTELLO, OFFICER OF TIS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: TIS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 336
#90289c0823 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, SYLVESTER J STEINES, VP OF TRAK AUTO CORP. (TICKER: TRKA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 315
#90289c0824 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, THOMAS E KIERANS, DIR. OF TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LTD. (TICKER: TRP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 331
#90289c0825 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, WILLIAM BENNETT, CHAIRMAN OF TAUNTON TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTEK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 334
#90289c0826 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PHILIP M MOUNT, DIR. OF TWO PESOS INC. (TICKER: TWP), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,400.

-30- 301
#90289c0827 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JOHN W HILL, DIR. OF UNIONFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UFF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 309
#90289c0829 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, MICHAEL KOVENS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNIVERSAL SECURITY INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: USEC), BOUGHT 3,250 SHARES AT $1.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90289c0830 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, MICHAEL KOVENS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNIVERSAL SECURITY INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: USEC), BOUGHT 3,950 SHARES AT $1.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90289c0831 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MICHAEL KOVENS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNIVERSAL SECURITY INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: USEC), BOUGHT 5,250 SHARES AT $1.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 492,884.

-30- 370
#90289c0832 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, FREDERIC C HAMILTON, DIR. OF U.S. TRUST CORP. (TICKER: USTC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90289c0833 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, FREDERIC C HAMILTON, DIR. OF U.S. TRUST CORP. (TICKER: USTC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90289c0834 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, FREDERIC C HAMILTON, DIR. OF U.S. TRUST CORP. (TICKER: USTC), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $29.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,525.

-30- 315
#90289c0835 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, JACK GREENBERG, VP OF UNITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: UT), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90289c0837 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, STEPHEN L HOLCOMBE, VP OF VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: VCEL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,500.

-30- 337
#90289c0838 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, VENTURA COUNTY NATL BANCORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF VENTURA COUNTY NATL BANCORP. (TICKER: VCNB), SOLD 519 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 346
#90289c0839 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, LAWRENCE C JONES, CHAIRMAN OF VAN DORN CO. (TICKER: VDC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90289c0840 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, LAWRENCE C JONES, CHAIRMAN OF VAN DORN CO. (TICKER: VDC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.83 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 235,505.

-30- 311
#90289c0841 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, SETH H DUBIN, DIR. OF WICAT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: WCAT), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 86,618.

-30- 308
#90289c0842 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ROBERT L GRANT, CHAIRMAN OF WORLDWIDE COMPUTER SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WCSI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90289c0843 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT L GRANT, CHAIRMAN OF WORLDWIDE COMPUTER SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WCSI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 53,700.

-30- 341
#90289c0845 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 29, 1990, ISIDORE SIEGEL, DIR. OF WELDOTRON CORP. (TICKER: WLD), SOLD 399 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90289c0846 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, DEAN L SANDERS, VP OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,102.

-30- 313
#90289c0847 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $44.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90289c0848 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $43.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90289c0849 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90289c0850 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90289c0851 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 2,643 SHARES AT $45.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90289c0853 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ROBERT G SHARPE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WORTH CORP. (TICKER: WRTH), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 323
#90289c0854 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RONALD A VANDENBERG, DIR. OF X-RITE INC. (TICKER: XRIT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 304
#90289c0855 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, PAUL D MILLS, DIR. OF YORK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: YFED), SOLD 1,369 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 82,875.

-30- 313
#90289c0856 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, PAUL D MILLS, DIR. OF YORK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: YFED), SOLD 2,349 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 84,244.

-30- 313

#90289c0857 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, THOMAS W WOLF, DIR. OF YORK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: YFED), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90289c0858 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, THOMAS W WOLF, DIR. OF YORK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: YFED), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90289c0859 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, THOMAS W WOLF, DIR. OF YORK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: YFED), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90289c0861 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, THOMAS W WOLF, DIR. OF YORK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: YFED), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90289c0862 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, THOMAS W WOLF, DIR. OF YORK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: YFED), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,174.

-30- 314
#90289c0863 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PHILLIPS W SMITH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ZYCAD CORP. (TICKER: ZCAD), BOUGHT 290,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 292,000.

-30- 328
#90289c0864 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, PHILLIPS W SMITH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ZYCAD CORP. (TICKER: ZCAD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 324
#90289c0865 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY FIRST EAGLE FUND N V OWNS 990,800 SHARES (9.30%) OF MEDUSA CORP (TICKER: MSA) OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 14 through Sept. 28, 1990, First Eagle Fund NV have purchased 55,700 shares at a price of $11 to $16.25 per share.

-30- 467
#90289c0866 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY SNYDER VON SELDENECK BRICKLEY PARTNERS II OWNS 214,560 SHARES (8.23%) OF FAMILY BANCORP (TICKER: FMLY) OF HAVERHILL, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On or about Sept. 30, 1990, the general partners of SMC made a determination to terminate and dissolve SMC in accordance with its limited partnership agreement and the Uniform Limited Partnership Act of Pennsylvania. The general partners are currently in the process of effecting such termination and dissolution. That portion of the assets of SMC as of Oct. 1, 1990 represented by 37,550 shares will be distributed in kind to the partners of SMC in accordance with their respective interests in SMC. Snyder will receive less than 5 percent of the shares distributed.

PURPOSE:

Dissolution of LP agreement.

-30- 986
#90289c0867 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

EXECUTIVE HOUSE INC OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 1,757,393 SHARES (24.00%) OF AEGIS INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: HAGISE) OF SECAUCUS, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Aegis Industries Inc. granted EHI the option to purchase all of the issued and outstanding NPS shares owned by Aegis Industries Inc. commencing on Jan. 1, 1993 or the date EHI shall have received audited financial statements of NPS for its fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1992, and expiring on the 90th day following such initial exercise date, at a price equal to three time the average annual after-tax earnings of NPS for the two years ending Sept. 30, 1992. Aegis Industries Inc. and NPS were accorded the right to repurchase the shares and the NPS preferred shares, respectively, from EHI for an aggregate purchase price of $1,600,000 plus accrued but unpaid dividend, and EHI was accorded the right to require Aegis Industries Inc. and NPS to purchase the shares and the NPS preferred shares, respectively. EHI committed to a stand-by letter of credit in the amount of $150,000 in favor of NPS' institutional lender to continue in effect until NPS and the IRS have entered into an agreement. EHI was accorded the right to designated one nominee to be included on the nominee slate of both issuer and NPS. Accordingly, Messrs. Haft and Certilman were elected to Aegis Industries Inc.'s board and Mr. Certilman was elected also to NPS' board.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 19, 1990 pursuant to a master agreement and related agreements, dated as of June 26, 1990 by and among EHI, Aegis Industries Inc. and NPS Industries Inc., Executive House Inc. acquired 1,757,393 shares for a price of $450,000; contemporaneously, EHI purchased such number of convertible preferred shares of NPS representing, upon conversion and after giving effect thereto, 20 percent of NPS' then issued and outstanding common shares for a purchase price of $1,000,000; and all of the then issued and outstanding common stock of IFTI Capital Appreciation Management Corp. for a purchase price of $50,000 or aggregately $1,500,000. Also, on Sept. 19, 1990, EHI sold to Aegis Industries Inc. 333,333 shares of its common stock for a purchase price of $500,000.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 2448
#90289c0869 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY B.W. ABRAMS OF IRVINE, CA OWNS 728,810 SHARES (50.88%) OF THREE D DEPARTMENTS INC (TICKER: DDD) OF COSTA MESA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The class B common stock was formerly called common stock, 25 cents par value, and was reclassified as class B common stock on Dec. 13, 1983. Three D Departments Inc. is purchasing the shares under its stock purchase program, and will retire the shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 3, 1990, Joel Diamond sold to Three D Departments Inc. 10,000 class A shares at a price of $4.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Shares acquisition under stock purchase program with intent of retiring shares.

-30- 851
#90289c0870 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY B.W. ABRAMS OF IRVINE, CA OWNS 715,925 SHARES (49.00%) OF THREE D DEPARTMENTS INC (TICKER: DDD) OF COSTA MESA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The class B common stock was formerly called common stock, 25 cents par value, and was reclassified as class B common stock on Dec. 13, 1983. Three D Departments Inc. is purchasing the shares under its stock purchase program, and will retire the shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 3, 1990, Joel Diamond sold to Three D Departments Inc. 10,000 class A shares at a price of $4.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Shares acquisition under stock purchase program with intent of retiring shares.

-30- 851
#90289c0871 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Tweedy Brown Co. LP sold their shares on Oct. 12 pursuant to a previously negotiated transaction.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Tweedy Brown Co. LP sold 612,222 shares on Oct. 12, 1990 for $33 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 429
#90289c0872 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 9, 1990, a purported class action suit was filed in Delaware alleging that Intermark, the controlling shareholder of the company and Pier 1, caused Pier 1 to purchase the shares owned by Intermark in order to improve Intermark's financial condition, and to initiate the offer in order to acquire through Pier 1 the remaining outstanding shares for grossly inadequate consideration.

-30- 623
#90289c0874 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATES OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 68,780 CLASS B SHARES (4.90%) OF TRANSCISCO INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: TNI)OF SAN FRANCISCO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to its management agreements with all of the accounts except Cumberland Partners and LongView Partners, Cumberland Associates receives an annual management fee from each account holder which includes a participation in the net appreciation during the preceding fiscal or calendar year in the value of the securities in each account. The management fees of Cumberland Partners and LongView Partners do not include such profit participation.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 5, 1990 thorough Oct. 12, 1990, Cumberland Associates has purchased 20,500 shares of class B common stock at a price of $2.25 to $2.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment to acquire an equity interest in the company.

-30- 1092
#90289c0875 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY J.M. DAVIS OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 3,735,707 SHARES (20.80%) OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC (TICKER: IPIC) OF LEXINGTON, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 6 through Oct. 5, 1990, J.M. Davis purchased 46,926 shares at a price of $1.75 to $2.25 per share; 16,830 class A warrants at a price of $0.63 to $0.75 per warrant; and 27,045 units at a price of $7.13 to $9.25 per unit.

-30- 608
#90289c0876 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

J.M. DAVIS OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 575,700 SHARES (14.40%) OF QUANTUM DIAGNOSTICS

LTD (TICKER: QTMC) OF HAUPPAUGE, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 383
#90289c0878 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY SNYDER VON SELDENECK PARTNERS IV OWNS 439,270 SHARES (9.55%) OF SOMERSET SAVINGS BANK (TICKER: SOSA) OF SOMERVILLE, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On or about Sept. 30, 1990, the general partners of SMC made a determination to terminate and dissolve SMC in accordance with its limited partnership agreement and the Uniform Limited Partnership Act of Pennsylvania. The general partners are currently in the process of effecting such termination and dissolution. That portion of the assets of SMC as of Oct. 1, 1990 represented by 25,000 shares will be distributed in kind to the partners of SMC in accordance with their respective interests in SMC.

PURPOSE:

Dissolution of LP agreement.

-30- 919
#90289c0879 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY R.H. KANNER OWNS 707,869 SHARES (43.10%) OF PUBCO CORP (TICKER: PUBO) OF CLEVELAND, OH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pubco Corp. effected a 1 for 20 reverse stock split on Aug. 14, 1990. From May 21 to June 29, 1990, R.H. Kanner purchased 225,000 shares for $.47 to $.52 per share and from Aug. 31 to Sept. 28, 1990, purchased 15,237 shares for $7.07 to $7.59 per share.

-30- 566
#90289c0880 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY R.H. KANNER OWNS 819,262 SHARES (63.90%) OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC (TICKER: BBKS).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Bobbie Brooks Inc. effected a 1 for 10 reverse stock split on Aug. 14, 1990. From May 21 to June 15, 1990, R.H. Kanner purchased 69,600 shares for $.71 to $.78 per share and from Aug. 14 to Sept. 28, 1990, purchased 14,561 shares for $6.25 to $7.79 per share.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY NOEL FUND INC OWNS 1,719,000 SHARES (20.00%) OF GARNET RESOURCES CORP (TICKER: GARN) OF HOUSTON, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 14, 1990, Marx made a contribution of 10,000 shares to Noel.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares to increase investment position.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY SAUVAGE GAS CO OWNS 1,472,855 SHARES (14.10%) OF WESTERN GAS RESOURCES INC (TICKER: WGR) OF DENVER, CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 8, 1990, Western Gas Resources Inc. announced that it will propose a restructuring after which it will own all outstanding shares in its 52 percent owned Western Gas Processors Ltd. subsidiary. In the restructuring, all outstanding $1.80 cumulative participating preference units of the partnership will first be converted into non-preference LP units of the partnership through prepayment of all remaining preference distributions on the preference units, which will be approximately $2.20 per unit. Each common unit will be exchanged for common shares on a one for one basis and the partnership will cease to be a publicly traded company. After completion of the restructuring, Western Gas Resources Inc. intends to pay a $.05 per quarter dividend on its common stock in 1991.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - Providence, R.I.-based Orbis Inc. (TICKER: ORBS) has agreed to buy 338,000 common shares of Coastland Corp. of Florida, a financially ailing Lakeland, Fla., real-estate developer, from Mitchell Feinglas and Thomas DePetrillo for $100,000, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 16, 1990.

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#90289c0887 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - Oklahoma City-based Magic Circle Energy Corp. (TICKER: MCEN) has agreed to acquire Olympia Energy Corp. for 1.54 million of its common shares, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 16, 1990.

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#90289c0889 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - Kaiser Steel Resources Inc.,(TICKER: KASA) a Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., steel company, has received a $13 million credit from the Internal Revenue Service based on an IRS error in computing Kaiser's restricted interest on loss carrybacks claimed by Kaiser Steel Corp. for the 1980 tax year.

Also, last month, KSC Recovery Inc., a Kaiser subsidiary, distributed $19

million it received in a settlement of certain lawsuits, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 16, 1990.

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#90289c0890 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - Cardinal Industries Inc.(TICKER: CDNI) of South Windsor, Conn. has sold its Providence, R.I.-based Crawford Garden Supplies Inc. unit to M&P Acquisition Corp. for $160,000.

Crawford is a distributor of lawn and garden products, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Cardinal also sold its CDF Building Products Corp., a White River Junction, Vt.-based building-materials products distributor, to Bird Inc. for book value of net assets.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 16, 1990.

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#90289c0891 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - Dallas-based Maynard Oil Co.(TICKER: MOIL) has acquired an interest in five producing oil and gas leases from Sun Operating Limited Partnership for $13.7 million.

The leases are located in the northeast portion of the Levelland Field in Hockley County, Texas.

Maynard said it will also buyback up to 250,000 of its common shares at management's discretion, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 16, 1990.

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#90289c0892 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - Crowley, Texas-based Aztec Manufacturing Co. (TICKER: AZTC) has acquired The Calvert Co. Inc. for $2.8 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Calvert is a Jackson, Miss., maker and seller of bus ducts that convey

electrical currents for the power generation industry.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 16, 1990.

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#90289c0893 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - Information Resources Inc.(TICKER: IRIC), has sold its Chicago headquarters to affiliates of W.P. Carrey & Co. Inc. of New York for $34 million and agreed to lease the property back, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 16, 1990.

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#90289c0894 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - Framingham, Mass.-based IG Laboratories Inc. (TICKER: IGLI) has acquired almost all of the assets of Genetics Associates Inc. of Miami Inc. for $3.2 million, a warrant to buy 50,000 IG common shares, and the assumption of certain liabilities.

The assets include accounts receivable and rights to provide testing services and certain equipment used in the clinical laboratory and genetic counseling business, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 16, 1990.

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#90289c0895 10/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - Continental Electronics Corp., a newly formed subsidiary of Houston-based Tech-Sym Corp.(TICKER: TSY), has acquired the Continental Electronics Division of Varian Associates Inc. for $13.7 million, consisting of $12 million cash and a $1.7 million note.

The Continental division designs, manufactures and markets high-power radio-frequency transmitters used in radio broadcast, communications, radar and scientific research, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 16, 1990.

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#90289c0897 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - Wayne, Pa.-based Orthopedic Services Inc. (TICKER: OSII) has acquired Custom Prosthetics of Arizona Inc., a Tucson, Ariz., provider of prosthetic and orthopedic rehabilitation services, from Joseph and Sally Leal for $750,000.

The purchase price was paid with $5,000 in cash and a $250,000 promissory note according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 16, 1990.

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#90289c0898 10/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - Stamford, Conn.-based Lone Star Industries Inc.(TICKER: LCE), a cement manufacturer, has raised $147 million with the sale of 188,000 cumulative preferred shares to Tarmac America Inc., a unit of Tarmac P.L.C. of Britain, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 16, 1990.

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#90289d2870 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (OCT. 16) - Nigeria Airways is to begin on Tuesday its first service to the Far East under an agreement with Malaysia Airlines, the West African country's national carrier announced.

Tuesday and Friday flights from lagos will stop in London before heading for Tokyo, Kuala Lumpur, Singapore and Hong Kong, the airline said.

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#90289d2880 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 16) - Sumitomo Bank Ltd. announced on Tuesday the resignation of its chairman, Ichiro Isoda, and vice chairman, Yasushi Nishi, to take responsibility for an alleged loan scandal.

Vice president Teizaburo Nishi also resigned his post, the announcement by one of Japan's top banks said.

But president Sotoo Tatsumi will retain his position in order to help restore the confidence lost in the wake of the scandal, Sumitomo officials said.

The resignation of three of Sumitomo's top leaders was endorsed at a policy-making panel meeting Tuesday morning, they said.

The resignations came after Mr. Isoda's October 7 announcement that he would step down in connection with the arrest of a former bank branch maager allegedly involved in shady loan deals.

Akinori Yamashita, 45, former head of a Sumitomo branch in Yokohama, was arrested on October 5 for allegedly arranging 22.8 billion yen (165.2 million dollars) in loans to Mitsuhiro Kotani, 53, a leader of a stock speculators' group.

In his October 7 announcement, Mr. Isoda said, "it is natural that the top official of a bank whose employee committed such a serious crime should take responsibility in view of the bank's public character."

Mr. Isoda, 77, Sumitomo's chairman since 1983, and Mr. Nishi will become advisors to the bank, Japan's first in earnings and third in assets.

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#90289d2910 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (OCT. 16) - New Zealand Prime Minister Mike Moore Tuesday welcomed U.S. proposals for cutting farm subsidies worldwide, saying they were tough enough to break the logjam around the GATT talks due to end in December.

The United States and the Cairns Group of free-trade advocates, including New Zealand, presented revised proposals in Geneva on Monday under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) Uruguay Round of talks aimed at freeing world commerce.

The plans both sought 75 percent reductions in production subsidies and support and 90 percent cuts in export subsidies. The reforms would be spread over 10 years from 1991.

The US proposal lowered the free trade sights slightly so it would be more acceptable to the GATT's 105 members but was "tough enough" to break through the current logjam in the negotiations, Mr. Moore said.

Mr. Moore said the U.S. proposals could "slice through the absurd levels" of protection and assistance barring New Zealand's access to many export markets.

In a statement, he said the U.S. plan would be a sound basis for negotiation over the remaining five weeks as it contained detailed suggestions on the speed and extent of reform.

An earlier U.S. initiative to eliminate all support by the year 2000 was unacceptable to the European Economic Community and Japan, he said.

"The current U.S. offer says there is room to negotiate, but the pressure for real and tough reduction in support and protection stays on," he said.

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#90289d2920 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 16) - Local subsidiaries of U.S. soft drinks giants Coca-Cola and Pepsi are pressing on with a cola war in the Philippines despite a feared recession, the Business World newspaper reported here Tuesday.

Coca-Cola Bottlers Philippines Inc. is finalizing a 500-million-peso (19-million-dollar) expansion project, topped by a new plant south of Manila which is touted as one of the biggest and most sophisticated in the world.

Pepsi-Cola Products Philippines Inc., for its part, is embarking on a 300-million-peso (12-million-dollar) expansion, Business World said.

Coca-Cola dominates the Philippine soft drinks market, which has an annual turnover of about 10 billion pesos (388 million dollars.)

The Coca-Cola subsidiary, part of the beer-based San Miguel Corp. empire, was the Philippines' 10th largest corporate earner in 1989, when it grossed 8.09 billion pesos (314 million dollars) and had a net income of 379 million pesos (14.7 million dollars).

The Pepsi franchise, controlled by the Lorenzo family of Manila, was far behind with sales of 815 million pesos and a net income of 855,000 pesos (33,200 dollars).

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#90289d2960 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 16) - Japan's wholesale prices in September rose 0.2 per- cent from the previous month, the Bank of Japan said Tuesday.

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#90289d3270 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 16) - South African black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela became the second foreigner to receive India's highest civilian award when he was given the "Jewel of India" here Tuesday.

Indian President Ramaswamy Venkataraman presented the award to Mr. Mandela at a special investiture ceremony in the presidential palace.

In a departure from tradition, no speeches were made at the ceremony which lasted just three minutes and was attended by cabinet ministers and opposition politicians.

Mr. Mandela then mixed with the gathering, shaking hands and signing autographs for admirers.

The 72-year-old deputy president of the African National Congress (ANC) arrived here Monday on a four-day visit, his first to an Asian country since being freed in February from 27 years of imprisonment.

He is also due to visit the eastern Indian metropolis of Calcutta, the Hindu holy city of Benares and the Taj Mahal town of Agra before ending the trip Friday.

The nationalist leader is the second foreigner to receive the Bharat Ratna (Jewel of India) award after the late "frontier Gandhi", Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan,
who was similarly honoured in 1987.

Other recipients include Nobel laureate Mother Teresa, the Calcutta-based Roman Catholic nun who has devoted her life to serving the poorest of the poor.

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#90289d3380 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 16) - Several OPEC oil ministers Tuesday criticised Western nations for their failure to act to bring order to world oil markets.

Oil ministers from Algeria, Nigeria, Venezuela and host Indonesia, gathering here for an energy seminar, said the major industrialised countries could help stabilise the volatile markets if they released their huge oil reserves instead of waiting until the Gulf crisis worsened.

Celestino Armas of Venezuela described measures by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) to stabilise the market and the West's failure to act as "an astonishing contrast."

"The major nations keep hesitating about what to do on energy policies while the International Energy Agency (IEA) looks like it's stuck in the Shakespearean dilemma 'to be or not to be'," Mr. Armas said.

The Paris-based IEA, comprising Western industrialised countries, oversees the energy needs of member countries.

Oil prices passed 40 dollars a barrel last week, more than double the level before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2, on fears of a deterioration of the situation in the Gulf.

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#90289d3460 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 16) - French consumer prices rose by about 0.55 percent in September after rising 0.6 percent in August, provisional official figures showed on Tuesday.

This took the increase so far this year to about 3.1 percent and during the last 12 months to between 3.8 percent and 3.9 percent.

The economy ministry described this as "rather a good result".

The increase in oil prices accounted for about 0.4 inflation points, and excluding the effect of oil prices, inflation in September was less than 0.2 percent.

"That means that the internal inflationary factors remain under control," the ministry said.

Since the Gulf crisis began France has achieved one of the best price performances within the European Economic Community (EEC), the ministry said.

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#90289d3520 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (OCT. 16) - Following the assassination of Egyptian parliamentary speaker Rifaat Mahgoub last week, Egyptian authorities have detained at least 300 persons including many Iraqis, Palestinians and Jordanians who entered the country with forged passports, press reports said here Tuesday.

The interior ministry assumed that the assassins have not left Egypt, the reports said. The authorities were checking hotel guests and persons who rented furnished apartments.

Under an order from Interior Minister Moahmmed Abdel Halim Mousa, anyone found to be unconnected with the assassination is to be freed immediately.

According to the daily Al Akhbar, authorities at the Cairo airport arrested two Lebanese, three Syrians and an Egyptian said to have a great resemblance with pictures of the assassins made on the basis of testimony from eyewitnesses. Those arrested would be shown to the witnesses, Al Akhbar said.

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#90289d3660 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 16) - Rand Mines gold division turned a 16.6 millon rand (6.53 million U.S. dollar) second quarter loss into a two million rand (790,000 dollar) taxed profit in the third quarter, results released here Monday showed.

The five operating mines - Harmony, Blyvoor, Durban Roodepoort Deep, East Rand Proprietary Mines (ERPM) and Barbrook - maintained gold production at 12,155 kilograms, which fetched an average of 32,172 rands (12,716 dollars) per kilo, up 1.9 percent from 31,569 rands (12,477 dollars) in the second quarter.

Unit costs on underground operations rose 8.4 percent to 123.53 rands (48.8 dollars) per ton of ore.

Beleaguered ERPM, a key marginal saved by a government and bankers' rescue plan in July, turned a 37 million rand (14.6 million dollar) second quarter loss into a 12.7 million rand (4.98 million dollar) third quarter profit, mainly on the back of the sale of sand dumps and slimes dams.

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#90289d3670 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (OCT. 16) - Libyan leader Colonel Moamer Kadhafi has said he would mobilize "one million men" to offset any military action in the Gulf, the official Libyan news agency JANA reported in a dispatch received here.

Col. Kadhafi, who was speaking Monday, said the mobilisation would involve several categories of the Libyan people, besides regular troops and reservists. He did not elaborate.

"Libya would be forced to mobilize one million men if anything were to happen in the Gulf," he said.

But he did not specify if these forces would be sent to the Gulf or if they would stay on alert in Libya.

"Turkey, Egypt and other countries have mobilized. Some have done so to send troops to the Gulf while others mobilized because they fear for themselves," he said.

Libya, with a population of nearly four million, has denounced the dispatch of foreign troops to the Gulf as part of a multinational force to protect Saudi Arabia and other regional states against any attack by Iraq following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90289d3710 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (OCT. 16) - The army has seized 852 kilos (1,875 pounds) of cocaine and arrested 103 alleged traffickers in a rural drug raid that uncovered a huge coca plantation near Colombia's northern coast, officials said Tuesday.

Helicopter-borne soldiers swooped down on an estimated 80 million coca plants spread over ranches covering 2,000 hectares (5,000 acres) between the cities of Simiti, San Pablo and Santa Rosa in southern Bolivar province, Colonel Carlos Castro Garcia said.

Troops destroyed six clandestine cocaine processing laboratories and confiscated cocaine-processing chemicals, a weapons cache, and 30 vehicles bearing Venezuelan license plates which had been used to transport drugs, he said.

The army will destroy the coca crops, he added.

Col. Castro Garcia said the plantation in Magdalena Medio, 450 kilometers (279 miles) north of Bogota, had been run by Marxist guerrillas of the Colombian Revolutionary Armed Forces, whom he accused of "working in coordination and in complete unity with the drug traffickers."

The high-quality cocaine, packaged and ready to be shipped to the United States, was found hidden under shrubs in a rural area near Uribia in Guajira province, officials said.

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#90289d3770 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (OCT. 16) - The Australian government was under strong pressure Tuesday to shift economic policy following what was seen as an extraordinary speech calling for change by Reserve Bank Governor Bernie Fraser.

In a blunt critique of government policy late Monday, Mr. Fraser called for tax cuts instead of wage increases to slash the current 7.7 percent inflation.

Addressing a bankers' conference, he said high interest rates alone could not fight inflation.

His remarks followed his bank's decision announced hours earlier to ease monetary policy by cutting interest rates, triggering a similar reduction by major banks.

Mr. Fraser is one of Australia's most powerful economic policy advisers and, although as governor has the independence and freedom to say what he likes, has rarely if ever offered such unsolicited advice.

But many observers assumed Mr. Fraser was speaking with government approval to

signal a shift in economic policy.

Opposition frontbencher John Howard said he found it hard to believe the governor could have made such comments without Treasurer Paul Keating at least giving tacit approval.

According to opposition leader John Hewson, it was the first time a reserve bank governor had ever made a substantial criticism of government economic policy.

Mr. Fraser said that expected wage increases following a union accord with the government would keep inflation high for the next year or two.

He argued that monetary policy, one of the government's major economic tools, alone could not significantly reduce inflation "except at extremely heavy costs in terms of lost production and employment" - in effect by triggering a deep recession.

He urged the government to use its eight billion dollar (6.3 billion U.S.) budget surplus to trade tax cuts for wage hikes, in what he said was the most acceptable and effective way of reducing inflation.

In a radio interview, Mr. Keating said he had not discussed the matter with Mr. Fraser and did not support his proposition - but he appeared later in the day to change his mind.

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#90289d3790 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD, Oct 16 (AFP) - Iraqi Airways has resumed flights between and Baghdad and Kuwait after a near week-long interruption, the director of the national carrier, Noureddin Safi Hammadi, said Tuesday.

He said the flights resumed on Monday. Sources at Baghdad airport said there were four flights a day.

Iraqi Airways had suspended flights between Baghdad and Kuwait for "technical reasons," he said without elaborating.

Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2 and later issued a decree naming the Gulf state a province of Iraq.

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#90289d3800 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 16) - The Philippines' largest paper manufacturer Tuesday imposed a 13 percent increase in the price of newsprint, putting added pressure on the country's freewheeling and overcrowded press industry.

"Some newspapers are floundering because of increasing costs," said Alice Villadolid, president of the Philippine Press Institute, a private group that monitors the industry and seeks to promote professionalism.

"We expect a few to fold up," she added.

She said 12 major dailies, 15 tabloids, two business journals, five Chinese-language newspapers and sundry vernacular publications nationwide are fighting it out for a market of less than three million copies a day.

The government-controlled Paper Industries Corp. of the Philippines raised its prices ahead of expected hikes in the cost of ink, and following a 19.1 per cent rise in the minimum wage. Transport costs are also expected to zoom, while advertising and retail prices of newspapers have not caught up.

"Newspaper owners are having sleepless nights figuring out how to handle the rise in the price of paper, ink and other printing items," Federico Pascual, editor-in-chief of the mass-circulation Philippine Daily Inquirer, wrote over the weekend.

The Philippine press has blossomed since the 1986 overthrow of martial law ruler Ferdinand Marcos and the rise to power of President Corazon Aquino, who has often complained about the daily strident criticism she gets.

Most Philippine newspapers are linked with business conglomerates or political groups gearing up for the 1992 presidential elections.

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#90289d3810 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 16) - The Philippine government's program to make an affordable "people's car" available to the middle class is off to a bumpy start after the price ceiling had to be raised because of spiralling costs.

The Board of Investments, which conceptualized the program, said Tuesday it agreed to raise the limit to about 200,000 pesos (7,767 U.S. dollars), from 175,000 pesos (6,796 dollars), for a basic model.

The depreciating peso and rising production costs prompted the new ceiling, which was sought by manufacturers and initially rejected by the government.

The price could even go higher before the cars finally get rolling on local roads in early 1991, because the new ceiling did not take into account a 19 per cent increase in the minimum daily wage set Monday.

Brand-new passenger cars here currently cost at least 260,000 pesos (10,000 dollars). Coupled with high interest rates on loans, the prices make new cars

accessible only to affluent Filipinos.

The government has allowed six firms to join the "people's car" program, limited to cars with engine displacements of up to 1,200 cc - KIA of South Korea, Fiat of Italy, Gurgel of Brazil, Honda, Daihatsu and Nissan of Japan.

The participants will enjoy incentives intended to help them limit their prices to the government-set ceilings.

The Philippine car and truck market is currently dominated by three Japanese giants - Toyota, Mitsubishi and Nissan.

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#90289d3820 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) - The World Bank has granted Venezuela three loans worth a total of 680 million dollars to be used to reform the country's financial sector and public companies, a bank official said.

Shahid Husain, a World Bank vice minister for Latin America, said the loans included about 300 million dollars for the financial sector and 350 million dollars for the public sector.

The remaining 30 million dollars was designated for a technical assistance project aimed at promoting investments and strengthening institutions, he said.

In announcing the loans, Mr. Husain praised Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez's program of economic reforms and expressed confidence that the loans would help improve the nation's banking and public sectors.

The World Bank approved the loans in June.

The loan agreement was signed here Monday by Mr. Husain and Carlos Stark, Venezuela's vice minister of finance.

About 162.5 million dollars - a quarter of the two larger loans - will be aimed at supporting measures to reduce the nation's external debt.

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#90289d3860 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 16) - China's exports of light industrial products could break the record 13 billion dollar mark this year, a quarter of the country's total export revenue, the China Daily said Tuesday.

The English-language newspaper, quoting industry officials, said exports had shown a dramatic rise in the first half of the year to June, climbing 30.8 per cent to 6.7 billion dollars compared with the same period the previous year.

The paper quoted export values of some items in the first three quarters of the year over the same period the previous year, including watches up 76.5 per cent to 111 million dollars, bicycles up 28.8 percent to 86 million dollars and sewing machines up 48 percent to 27.14 million.

But the paper said exports of carpets and canned food, considered China's main exports, had dropped "marginally," without giving figures.

The China Daily said Wang Yanyi, the deputy director of the export office of the ministry of light industry, attributed the increase to the government's policy of allowing the sector's exporters to retain more of the foreign exchange they earned.

This, he said, had encouraged many exporters to turn their sights to the world market and away from the "sluggish market at home."

Leading enterprises had been given the right to trade directly with clients and could retain 80 percent of foreign exchange earned or up to 100 percent in some cases, Mr. Wang said.

Previously they had to sell through trading companies and could keep only 12.5 percent of foreign exchange, the rest going to the state, he added.

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#90289d3880 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 16) - Indian consumers are staring at harder days ahead after being slapped with a 25 percent hike in petroleum prices that would push costs up and raise inflation to double digits, analysts said Tuesday.

The main opposition party, Congress (I), called the increase "insensitive and anti-people," while businessmen condemned it and even the government's communist allies urged Premier Vishwanath Pratap Singh to dilute the "bitter medicine."

The "Gulf surcharge" imposed Sunday on all petroleum products except cooking gas came two days after the government cut fuel supplies by 15 percent, triggering panic buying and fears of rampant hoarding and black marketeering.

Designed to beat back a fiscal crisis caused by spiralling prices on the international oil market, the hike would inevitably raise the price of all commodities and services and affect people's living standards, analysts said.

The inflation rate, 9.1 percent in the 1989-90 fiscal year ending in March, would shoot past 10 percent, upsetting government attempts to curb it at around seven per cent, they predicted.

"It is a double kick in the stomach for the poor," said Congress (I) spokesman and legislator M. J. Akbar, charging the V.P. Singh administration with financial mismanagement.

"The Gulf crisis is only a handy fig leaf through which the government is trying to cover the disasters created by its ineptitude," he said.

Gurudas Gupta, a pro-government Communist MP, was equally scathing.

"It is a dangerous decision," he said. "It will push inflation to double digits and have disastrous consequences for the economy."

"Instead of announcing this steep hike, the government should have resorted to physical rationing of petroleum products," he added.

The Communist Party of India-Marxist had asked the government to target only the affluent and spare the poorer sectors "who are already finding it difficult to maintain their livelihood."

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#90289d4090 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 16) - Fourteen people died and nearly 50 others were hurt early Tuesday in a head-on smash between a truck and a minibus taxi near Ladysmith in northern Natal province, police spokesman Lieutenant Bala Naidoo said.

Early reports said the vehicles were so badly damaged and enmeshed that it was impossible to determine the directions in which they had been travelling.

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#90289d4100 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (OCT. 16) - Australian farmers will have to shoot 50 million sheep this year in an effort to balance supply and demand for wool, an opposition MP said Tuesday.

The sheep are part of a record 170 million-strong flock which is at the heart of the current crisis in the Australian wool industry.

"A slaughter scheme appears to be the only way of bringing the supply and demand back into any sort of balance next selling season," opposition primary industries spokesman Bruce Lloyd said.

He said 50 million, including 10 million old sheep, should be killed.

Australian wool growers have faced falling demand for their wool and sheep since Asian and European buyers withdrew from the wool market.

Farmers, under the eye of government rangers, have already started shooting their flocks as the price of sheep falls to as low as 40 U.S. cents a head.

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#90289d4180 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 16) - The British public sector had a deficit of 1.4 billion pounds (2.7 billion dollars) in September, compared with 1.8 billion pounds forecast by analysts.

The figures, published by the treasury, covered budgets run by central government, local authorities and state-owned companies.

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#90289d4190 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 16) - British industrial output fell by 0.5 percent in August compared with July, provisional seasonally-adjusted official figures showed on Tuesday.

The reduction was greater than had been expected by the most pessimistic analysts who had forecast a fall of 0.2 percent. Optimistic analysts had forecast growth of 1.2 percent.

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#90289d4340 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 16) - Five people were killed and more than 30 houses razed Tuesday after an explosion and fire in a clandestine firecracker factory in the northern Philippines.

Three people suffered severe burns in the explosion which sent a fireball ripping through the town of Bocaue in Bulacan Province just north of the Philippine capital, said police.

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#90289d4610 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 16) - The yen climbed to a 19-month high against the dollar Tuesday, encouraged by market expectations that the Japanese unit will rise further despite the prospect of short-term consolidation.

The Japanese unit opened stronger and climbed to 127.75 to the dollar at one stage before retreating in the afternoon session to end trading at 128.05, up from 128.15 at Monday's close.

Foreign exchange dealers said that market participants were concerned about

growing ecomomic uncertainties in the United States.

Some precicted that, depending on developments in the Gulf crisis, the yen could climb as high as 125 to the dollar by the end of the month. That compares with more than 160 at the end of April.

But others are more cautious. The Nomura Research Institute, an affiliate of Japan's biggest securities firm, reckons the yen is a little "overvalued" and likely to retreat to around 135 to the dollar.

Matthew Berlow, chief economist at Credit Lyonnais Securities Japan Ltd., said the yen's surge in recent months was mainly due to higher interest rates.

Japanese long-term interest rates have risen to around nine per cent while short-term rates are currently around eight per cent. Given a relatively low level of inflation, it is only natural that the yen has become more attractive as an investment currency, Mr. Berlow said.

Higher interest rates, accompanied by plunging stock prices since the start of the year, have put an end to a long period of excess liquidity in Japan.

As a result, many of the cash-laden institutions which helped fuel the yen's decline earlier this year by investing heavily abroad are now repatriating some of their funds, partly to offset losses in the Japanese stock and bond markets.

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#90289d4650 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 16) - At least 19 people, most of them women, asphyxiated in a cosmetics store in southern India Tuesday, the Indian news agency Uni reported.

Uni said that the store's owner had closed the front grating after hearing explosions from a neighbouring fireworks shop. When fire and smoke from the burning shop spread to the cosmetics store, the grating could no longer be opened. dpa ob

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#90289d5180 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 16) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's economic reform programme aims at introducing some privatisation within two years during application of a four-stage move towards a market economy, the Interfax news agency reported here on Tuesday.

The programme, distributed to members of the Soviet parliament on Tuesday and summarised by Interfax, laid down four stages spread over 18 months to two years.

Entitled "The prinicpal orientations of stabilisation of the economy and of the change to a market economy", it is described as a synthesis of two reform programmes, a radical programme by presidential adviser Stanislav Shatalin and a cautious plan by Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov, over which members clashed in September without reaching any conclusion.

President Gorbachev put it before representatives of the 11 republics on Saturday.

The first stage would be based on the introduction of legislative texts required for economic reform and "stabilisation measures", and particularly a reduction of the budget deficit, an increase in savings interest rates, and the reduction of state ownership and introduction of private ownership of property together with reform of home ownership.

The second stage would concern "meaningful and progressive" application of market prices for a "large range" of goods for consumption or for production. The measures adopted under the first stage should prevent big increases in prices.

The third stage would be aimed at "stabilising the market for consumer goods and for the means of production" through development of market relationships.

The fourth stage would "strengthen the trends towards stabilisation of the economy and finances", and would "improve the consumer market "mainly through the creation of "an area of competitive markets".

Major moves to remove monopolies and to remove state involvement in the economy, as well as privatisation, should also occur during the period covered by the programmes of either 18 months or two years.

This timescale had been laid down as a result of studies of "stabilisation programmes in other countries" and through taking into account conditions unique to the Soviet Union, the document said.

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#90289d5250 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (OCT. 16) - The privatisation of around 45,000 state-owned wholesalers and retailers in former East Germany has been suspended, the Treuhandanstalt, the agency tasked with selling off East German state assets, said Tuesday.

The suspension was decided by a subsidiary of the Treuhandanstalt that was set up last week with specific responsibility for privatising the distribution network, the subsidiary's chief official, Wolfgang Bernhardt said.

Sales will continue after a review of sales that were carried out before

German unification on October 3, he said.

The announcement came after mounting criticism from east German chambers of commerce and industry that the privatisation was going too slowly and was being encumbered by too many rules.

Mr. Bernhardt said that the regulations would be simplified and steps taken to ensure that all investors had an equal opportunity to bid for the enterprises.

The subsidiary, the Gesellschaft zur Privatisierung des Handels GmbH, is responsible for all state-owned distributors and sales outlets except large city department stores and the Interhotel chain.

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#90289d5370 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 16) - The Mergers and Monopolies Commission on Tuesday rejected a proposed assets swap between the Grand Metropolitan food group and the Australian Elders IXL brewing group because it was "against the public interest".

But Trade and Industry Minister Peter Lilley said that he might approve the deal to exchange public houses for breweries if the details were changed. He has asked the office of fair trading to negotiate changes by November 16.

Grand Met shares fell two pence on the news to 564 pence.

The two companies had announced on March 13 that they had agreed for Grand Met to sell breweries for 366 million pounds in cash. Meanwhile 4,960 public houses owned by Courage and controlled by Elders, and 3,570 public houses managed by Grand Met would be acquired by Inntrepreneur Estates, a company equally owned by Grand Met and Elders.

These public houses would then agree to sell Courage beer for 10 years.

The commission had already expressed its opposition to an undue concentration of brewing interests when it published a report in 1989 which was critical of the six main British beer groups, and said that each of them should not own more than 2,000 public houses so as to re-introduce real competition.

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#90289d5390 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MIAMI (OCT. 16) - A nephew of Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro has said he unknowingly solicited money from a drug dealer during the 1980s for the Nicaraguan rebels known as contras.

Adolfo "Popo" Chamorro, Nicaragua's consul here, told a news conference Monday

he met in 1984 with George Morales, who he thought was a wealthy Cuban sympathetic to the contra cause.

He said the contact with Mr. Morales was authorized by U.S. officials. Mr. Chamorro, moreover, denied involvement in drug trafficking or knowing of any such activities by Mr. Morales, who is now serving a 16-year sentence.

But he abruptly ended the news conference when asked whether he had been warned by U.S. authorities that Mr. Morales was under indictment on drug charges when the contras accepted cash and aircrafts from him.

In 1987, Mr. Morales told a Senate committee that Mr. Chamorro and Octaviano Cesar, the brother of a key aid to Mrs. Chamorro, had been involved in a guns-for-drugs swap in Costa Rica.

Those accusations surfaced again seven months ago in a trial in Tulsa, Oklahoma of Colombian drug pilot Fabio Ernesto Carrasco.

Mr. Carrasco testified that he paid Mr. Chamorro and Mr. Cesar millions of dollars to fly cocaine into Florida on planes that returned to Central America with arms.

The contras were disbanded earlier this year after Mrs. Chamorro took over from the leftist Sandinista National Liberation Front, which had ruled Nicaragua since 1979.

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#90289d5400 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, Germany (OCT. 16) - German factory gate prices in September were 2.1 percent higher than a year earlier, official figures showed on Tuesday.

The increase was due mainly to higher prices for oil products since Iraq invaded Kuwait at the beginning of August, the federal statistical office said.

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#90289d5430 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MAPUTO (OCT. 16) - Rebels of the Mozambique National Resistance (RENAMO) killed 11 people when they fired indiscriminately on a crowd attending a weekend traditional music festival, Radio Mozambique said Tuesday.

The incident, following close on last week's shooting of 30 civilians by rebels in the southern Gaza province, happened Sunday night at Cheringoma, 200 kilometers (125 miles) north of the port city of Beira.

The attackers made off with property stolen from the victims, the radio said.

President Joaquim Chissano's Frelimo government, which is currently enacting a multi-party constitution removing the last traces of the former Portuguese colony's Marxist ideological past, has been trying to re-convene peace talks to end the 15-year civil war.

But RENAMO has called for the prior withdrawal of President Robert Mugabe's estimated 10,000 Zimbabwean troops now reported to be conducting a major pre-rainy season offensive against the rebels.

More than half the population has been uprooted by the war which has reduced Mozambique to the status of one of the world's poorest nations.

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#90289d5440 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT ELIZABETH, South Africa (OCT. 16) - Demand at the fourth Cape winter mohacent of the 3,773 bales on offer sold, the Mohair Board announced.

There was a basically unchanged level of interest in the average selection on offer, the Board said.

Approximate price in South African cents per kilogram (254 cents to one U.S. dollar):

Adults Young goats Kids

Strong: 670-690 - -

Average: 690-700 1500-1600 2550-2650

Good-average: 700-720 1700-2000 2700-2800

Fine: 850-1050 2050-2150 3200-3300

The next sale, of about 4,000 bales, is on October 30.

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#90289d5500 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 16) - The Alcatel NV (CGE) group said here Tuesday that it had signed two contracts in China for the supply of 16 telephone exchanges capable of serving 92,000 customers via 4,000 intermediary lines.

The value of the contract, with the China National Instrument Import and Export Corp., was not given.

This takes to four the number of contracts which Alcatel has won in China this year, all of them for System 12 telephone exchanges and related equipment.

The two latest contracts concern the two biggest towns in Shanxi province, the urban centres of Taiyuan and Datong, Alcatel said.

They bring to nearly 700,000 the number of subscriber lines to be supplied to China since 1989.

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#90289d5550 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT. 16) - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd on Tuesday urged Israel to respect the will of the United Nations, official Israeli sources reported.

Mr. Hurd met Foreign Minister David Levy and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir at the start of a four-day visit that was expected to be complicated by his recent, sharply-worded criticism of Israeli policy toward the Palestinians.

Mr. Hurd refused to comment Tuesday on the recent killings in east Jerusalem by Israeli security forces of 21 Palestinians, an incident that triggered unanimous condemnation by the U.N. Security Council.

The Israeli government denounced Friday's council resolution as one-sided and vowed not to cooperate with a fact-finding team that Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar wants to send to Jerusalem.

Official sources said Mr. Hurd urged Israeli authorities "not to defy the United Nations."

The foreign secretary also suggested that Israel might reject the resolution but still agree to receive the U.N. mission.

Mr. Levy on Tuesday charged that the council had "adopted a one-sided resolution by not condemning attacks perpetrated against worshippers who had come to pray at Judaism's holiest site."

The October 8 killings occurred after security forces opened fire on Palestinians near the Dome of the Rock and Al-Aqsa mosques who had thrown stones at Jews praying at the nearby Wailing Wall.

The Palestinians were reported to have gathered to prevent a feared attempt by Jewish extremists to penetrate the area around the two mosques.

Mr. Hurd was the target Tuesday of harsh treatment by the English-language Jerusalem Post, which suggested sarcastically: "Israel could demand that Britain immediately open negotiations with the Irish Republican Army.

"We should call upon Britain to attend an international conference and agree

to a 'land for peace' deal on Northern Ireland."

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#90289d5740 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT 16) - Japan is inflating its import figures by buying gold abroad needed to mint commemorative coins for the enthronement of Emperor Akihito next month, press reports said Tuesday.

Japan imported 63 tonnes of gold last month, nearly four times more than in September 1989, according to customs statistics.

By buying foreign gold to make two million coins to mark Emperor Akihito's enthronement November 12, Japan could reduce its trade surplus by about 110 billion yen (900 million dollars), the economic daily Nihon Keizai Shimbun said.

The finance ministry has also decided not to draw down Japanese reserves, the Jiji Press news agency quoted government sources as saying.

The ministry declined to comment on the reports.

Japanese gold imports were worth some 845 million dollars in September, a 350 per cent increase from the same month a year earlier.

Gold accounted for almost five per cent of Japanese imports in the month, which increased 10.3 per cent overall to 19 billion dollars.

In August, the finance ministry imported 27 tonnes of gold, compared with 17 tons for the entire January to July period.

The commemorative coins, which will require 60 tonnes of gold, will be put into circulation on April 1, 1991. They will be Japan's first officially issued commemorative coins for five years.

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#90289d6020 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROME (OCT 16) - Yevgeny Primakov, a Soviet presidential aide who has just come back from talks in Baghdad, started here Tuesday what the Kremlin described as a delicate mission to the West in connection with the Gulf crisis.

In other developments, U.S. Secretary of Defence Dick Cheney arrived in Moscow for talks. The Soviets denied they were planning to give him secret information on Iraqi military capabilities.

Kuwait's crown prince, Saad al-Salim al-Sabah, said the U.N. Security Council's demand for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait should be carried out

immediately. He hoped the Iraqi troops would be forced out ''either peacefully or by war''.

Primakov, a counsellor to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, is also to travel to France Wednesday and then to the United States. So far he has disclosed nothing of his talks with the Iraqis starting two weeks ago in Amman and Baghdad.

The Soviet Union, which still has military advisers in Iraq, has disapproved of the western military buildup in the Gulf and has been seeking an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait by way of negotiation.

A gorbachev spokesman, Vitaly Ignatenko, said in Moscow Tuesday that Primakov's mission was a ''very delicate matter''. It was a step that had been thought through by the president to prevent the Gulf crisis turning into a war.

Ignatenko described as ''false'' a weekend news report here that Primakov had detected a softening in Iraq's position.

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#90289d6040 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 16) - Delphine Seyrig, the French actress who embodied the "discreet charm of the bourgeoisie" in French cinema for more than a decade, died here Monday of cancer aged 58, her family said Tuesday.

Delphine Seyrig, a militant feminist who sought out reputedly difficult and innovative film-makers such as Alain Resnais and Marguerite Duras, first came to public notice in Resnais' "Last Year in Marienbad" and "Muriel" in the 1960s.

Her sophisticated manner and distinctive, low-pitched voice made her ideal for a leading role in Luis Bunuel's satire, "The Discreet Charm of the Bourgeoisie".

"She is not a woman, she is an apparition," exclaimed Antoine Doisnel, the screen hero of Francois Truffaut's "Stolen Kisses" in which she starred.

In the 1980s, Delphine Seyrig had mainly concentrated on theatre, notably starring in works by Harold Pinter and Sylvia Plath. She won public acclaim for playing Sarah Bernhardt in a work by Irish writer John Murrell.

She had to withdraw last month from a planned production of a Peter Shaffer play, "Laetitia" because of her illness.

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#90289d6140 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT 16) - The Rwandan government wants rapidily to arrange a truce with the rebels who invaded from Uganda two weeks ago, to be followed by negotiations on refugees, Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens said Tuesday after talks with Rwandan leader Juvenal Habyarimana.

Mr. Martens was speaking in a television interview from the Kenyan capital Nairobi, where he met Major-General Habyarimana on Monday and was due to hold further talks with him on Tuesday.

Talks with Kenyan leader Daniel arap Moi were also scheduled, and Mr. Martens was to travel to Kampala on Wednesday for a meeting with Ugandan leader Yoweri Museveni. Diplomatic sources in Nairobi said Mr. Martens would the following day move on to Burundi, Belgium's other former territory along with Rwanda, for discussions with President Pierre Buyoya.

Mr. Martens said a truce would be a guarantee that Belgian aid workers could stay at their posts in Rwanda. The Kigali authorities wanted to engage in political negotiations to settle the problem of Rwandan refugees in neighbouring countries, he said, commenting that he did not know if that would be possible.

Spokesmen for the rebel Rwandan Patriotic Front told a radio station here there was no question of negotiations with the Habyarimana regime because of its "murderous" record. Pre-conditions for a truce were the resignation of Gen. Habyarimana, the departures of Belgian, French and Zairean troops, an end to "arrests and massacres", and lifting of the state of emergency, said Jean Barahinyura and Jean-Bosco Rwyamirira.

The Front comprises mostly Tutsis, the minority tribe which fled in vast numbers when the Hutu majority unleashed the first of a series of pogroms 30 years ago. But "Colonel" Alexis Kanyarengwe, who said he was on the battlefield in Rwanda a few days ago with the rebels, told the paper La Libre Belgique that the issue in his country was one of "power being used to oppress Hutus as well as Tutsis. We must find a solution bringing democracy to the country's institutions".

Gen. Habyarimana has been in power since mounting a bloodless coup in 1973.

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#90289d6220 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (OCT 16) - Turkish foreign ministry officials Tuesday declined to confirm or deny reports that four Iraqi military attaches might be expelled after the arrest of a Turk spying for Baghdad.

A source said the case was now at the hands of judicial and military authorities.

Press reports, quoting State Security Court prosecutors, said Ahmet Alver, a 34-year-old former oil industry official, had sold information to the Iraqi attaches on an oil refinery in south-eastern Turkey, on oil pipelines and on Turkish troop deployments and activities at airbases near the border with Iraq.

Alver reportedly visited Baghdad last June for a two-week course on espionage techniques. He is said to have been paid 5,000 dollars.

He was caught at the start of October by agents of the National Intelligence Organisation (Mit). Iraqi attaches were also reportedly photographed in secret meetings with Alver.

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#90289d6450 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONTEVIDEO (OCT. 16) - Iraq said Tuesday it would supply Third World countries with oil free of charge if the economic blockade imposed after its invasion of Kuwait was lifted.

The offer was made by Iraq's National Assembly vice-president, Ghanim Aziz Khaduri, at a meeting of the Interparliamentary Union at the Uruguyuan sea resort of Punta del Este.

He told about 800 members of parliaments from more than 110 nations that Iraq sought peace in the Gulf.

The blockade against Iraq was ''a conspiracy by the United States and Britain'' to control Arab oil, he said.

No U.S. representative is taking part at the conference which is also scheduled to discuss worldwide debt, economic growth and educational issues.

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#90289d6520 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DES MOINES, Iowa (OCT 16) - U.S. President George Bush, responding to hecklers protesting the U.S. military buildup in the Gulf, insisted Tuesday that the United States could not be isolationist.

Three youths briefly interrupted the president's speech at a political rally here for Republican candidates with shouts of "Bring our troops home from Saudi Arabia" and "No blood for oil."

A police officer ejected the hecklers from the hall. Outside a dozen more people were demonstrating against the U.S. military presence in the Gulf.

"Some people never get the word," Mr. Bush said. "The fight isn't about oil, the fight is about naked aggression that will not stand."

"I understand where these kids are coming from," Mr. Bush said, recalling that he had fought in World War II.

"Their view should not be entirely written off but they got it wrong, they got the facts wrong ... They are looking in a bit of an isolationistic way. We can't do that," Mr. Bush said.

"If we don't stand up against aggression around the world when it's naked and brutal, who will?" he asked.

"The United States has the responsibility to lead and to put together this coalition that says very simply to Saddam Hussein: you cannot bully your neighbor, you cannot wipe out a member of the Arab League, of the United Nations," said Mr. Bush.

Mr. Bush reiterated that U.S. troops would remain on Saudi soil no longer than necessary, but he insisted that Iraq must relinquish its hold of Kuwait and restore the emirate's legtimate government.

He also stressed that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein "will be held accountable" for his aggression.

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#90289d6950 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (OCT 16) - More than 700 soldiers from Britain's 7th Armoured Brigade, the "Desert Rats" of World War II fame, arrived in Saudi Arabia from Germany on Tuesday.

The troops, the first British ground forces to arrive in the kingdom, touched down at a Saudi air base on three Royal Air Force Tristar jets.

According to a British military spokesman, Lieutenant Colonel Nick Claypool, more than 700 soldiers a day are exected to arrive in Saudi Arabia over the next 10 days.

Lt. Col. Claypool said Britain would eventually have some 9,500 servicemen, including Royal Air Force personnel and support units such as engineers, in the kingdom.

"There will be a total of about 15,000 British troops in the theater," he said including those aboard warships and in other Gulf states.

The first ships carrying armoured recovery vehicles and tank transporters for the 7th Armoured Brigade are scheduled to arrive on Wednesday, Lt. Col. Claypool said.

A total of 120 Challenger tanks for the 7th Armoured Brigade, which is usually based in Germany, are also being shipped to Saudi Arabia.

British engineers have been in Saudi Arabia for several weeks constructing a base camp for the British troops being sent to Saudi Arabia following the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The 7th Armoured Brigade is to come under the tactical command of U.S. Marine Lieutenant General Walter Boomer and be integrated into the 1st Marine Division.

Lieutenant General Peter de la Billiere, the commander of British forces in the Gulf, arrived in Dhahran on Saturday.

He told reporters that British troops bring "a most valuable increase in the amount of armour available" to the multi-national force in Saudi Arabia.

British Tornado warplanes have been stationed at a Saudi air base since early August.

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#90289d6960 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 16) - Heavy Middle East selling on the New York bullion market, which sent gold crashing through the 370 dollars an ounce mark Tuesday has put renewed pressure on at least 20 of South Africa's 35 major gold mines dealers said.

Dealers told state-run television the 25 dollar fall in price since Friday would cost the country five million rands (1.97 million dollars) a day, and put up to 100,000 miners' jobs in jeopardy, as the 370 dollar mark was the bottom line of survival for more than half of South Africa's gold mines.

Speculators were running riot in a quiet market, dealers said, as investment dried up worldwide.

But any flare-up in the Gulf could once more send the gold price soaring through 400 dollars an ounce, dealers said.

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#90289d7000 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, Germany (OCT 16) - German industrial prices in September were 2.1 percent higher than a year earlier, mainly because of higher oil prices after the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the federal statistical office reported Tuesday.

It added that retail prices in the former territory of East Germany rose a

sharp 1.8 percent in September over August, chiefly because of hikes in clothing and leisure and training.

The increase was 3.4 percent lower than East Germany's average inflation for 1989, which is the office's reference point, the office said.

But it came only two months after German monetary union, which helped to stabilise prices in the German Democratic Republic.

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#90289d7060 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT 16) - The South African government and the African National Congress (ANC) resumed talks in Pretoria Tuesday in spite of a war of words that had been raging between the two sides.

Both parties have said that the row, which erupted on Thursday when black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela called into doubt President Frederik de Klerk's integrity, was not serious enough to derail the peace process in South Africa.

The meeting was the fourth following the August 6 Pretoria agreement and the first since last week's dispute.

Mr. Mandela claimed the president had leaked information on the content of discussions between the two parties last week, mainly relating to the release of prisoners and the return of exiles.

The ANC deputy president said on Saturday before departing on a six-nation tour of Asia that he did not think anyone should be alarmist about the row.

He said that while the government had "insulted" him, the ANC and government shared "many common areas" which would ensure that negotiations stayed on track.

Delegations, headed by Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok and the Chief-of-Staff of the ANC's military wing Umkhonto we Sizwe, Chris Hani, Tuesday discussed the consequences of the ANC's decision to relinquish the armed struggle against the Pretoria government, a spokesman for Mr. Vlok said.

Meanwhile, the extreme-right wing Conservative Party opened its annual conference near Durban by unanimously re-electing Andries Treurnicht as its leader.

Conservative Party spokesman Koos van der Merwe said in a radio interview that the government had no mandate for the policies it was enacting and called for early general elections.

He was speaking the day after the government had officially scrapped one of the cornerstones of the apartheid system, the Separate Amenities Act, thus opening up public amenities to all races.

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#90289d7110 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) - Cuba has lowered the minimum ages for Cubans who want to visit relatives in the United States, possibly hoping they will stay abroad and reduce the burden on the Cuban economy, U.S. officials said Tuesday.

Cuba told U.S. diplomats it lowered the age from 55 years to 45 years for men, and 50 years to 40 years for women, the officials said.

The liberalized travel rules most likely have an economic motivation because of the decline in the Cuban economy, said the officials, who asked not to be identified.

They said Cuba may want to increase traffic with the U.S. to bolster hard currency holdings which have severely restricted the island's ability to import.

In addition, officials said Cuba may hope many of those who leave will never return, thus easing demand on Cuban goods and services which have been depleted by cutbacks from the Soviet Union.

The officials said the United States could face a "legal Mariel" as a result of the liberalized travel rules, referring to the Mariel boat lift 10 years ago that brought an estimated 125,000 undocumented Cubans to the United States.

The United States will have to issue visas on the basis of whether they believe applicants are going to stay in the United States, said one official.

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#90289d7320 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (OCT 16) - Soviet Union has drastically cut its electricity supply to Hungary to 900 megawatt for the rest of the month, MTI news agency said here Tuesday.

Quoting officials from the Hungarian Ministry of Industry and Trade the agency said the average level of Soviet electricity supplies to Hungary was 1,900 MW.

Reductions were due to delays of maintenance works on their power plants, according to Moscow.

A 640 MW cut-back was announced first for three days last week and only for the period of the evening peak hours.

Later a 200-300 MW capacity reduction for this month was communicated to the Hungarian authorities and on Monday Soviet exporters informed their Hungarian counterparts of an additional 650 MW cut-back.

Hungary gets 28 percent of its annual 40 billion kWh electricity consumption from Soviet Union.

Under a mutual agreement the Soviet Union is to deliver 11 billion kWh to Hungary this year.

To-date the supply of Soviet electricity, contrary to oil exports, has been smooth, and over 80-100 million kWh have been delivered in advance.

Crude oil, however, is lagging 1.5 million tonnes behind the agreed 6.5 million tons for this year.

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#90289d7360 10/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANJUL (OCT 16) - West African nations are scrambling to hold a special summit meeting on the Liberian crisis in Banjul, The Gambia, around October 29, officials quoted Gambian President Dawda Jawara as telling overseas radio stations Tuesday.

Sir Dawda is acting president of the 16-nation Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) which is seeking an end to the 10-month civil war in Liberia.

He also announced that a council of ministers of the seven-member ECOWAS mediation committee would meet here next Tuesday to prepare the summit.

A summit on the Liberian crisis was cancelled last Sunday without ever being officially announced.

A senior Ivoirian government official had disclosed on Friday that the summit would gather 12 ECOWAS members in Yamoussoukro, the Ivory Coast's political capital.

Analysts said they believed the summit was cancelled because it would have set out too glaringly a split between French- and English-speaking ECOWAS members over an intervention force sent to Liberia to restore peace.

They said the French-speaking members oppose the force's offensive role in Liberia, while the English-speaking members back its efforts to prevent the main rebel leader, Charles Taylor, from taking over the country.

The intervention force was set up last August despite the protests of some

French-speaking members that only a full summit could create such a body.

The force started with 2,500 men, mostly Nigerians but also Ghanaians, Gambians, Sierra Leonians and Guineans.

Its mission was to force a cease-fire in the fighting between three Liberian forces -- two rebel armies and the remnants of the Liberian army.

But critics of the intervention force grew louder after it swelled to 6,000 men, more or less absorbed the splinter rebel forces of Prince Johnson and the remnants of the Liberian army, and proceeded to push Mr. Taylor's National Patriotic Front out of the sectors of Monrovia that his rebel army controlled.

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#90289e0021 10/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PORT-AU-PRINCE (OCT. 16) EFE - Former Haitian President Leslie Manigat, deposed in a military coup two years ago, has returned from exile to register his candidacy in December's elections.

Hundreds of friends and well-wishers turned out at Port-au-Prince airport late Monday despite teeming rain to greet Manigat, ousted in June 1988 after just five months in office.

+I am happy to return, without resentment and convinced of the principles that I defend,+ said the former president, who won January 1988 elections which the opposition alleged had been rigged.

No government official was at the airport to receive Manigat, who arrived on a commercial flight from the United States.

Earlier this month, provisional President Ertha Pascal Trouillot lifted a ban on Manigat returning home.

The government had originally insisted that the deposed leader could come home if he renounced any intention to run in this year's presidential elections slated for December 16.

Haiti's National Electoral Council has said it will only accept Manigat as a candidate if he presents his papers personally.

Manigat was overthrown by Gen. Henry Namphy. Three months later, Namphy was deposed by Gen. Prosper Avril, who fled to the United States after an 18-month rule marked by violence and protests.

Trouillot was chosen to head the caretaker government after his departure.

Over the weekend, supporters of former dictators Francois Duvalier and his son

Jean-Claude Duvalier announced they had formed a party which would field a presidential candidate.

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#90289e0035 10/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MANAGUA (OCT. 16) EFE - Some 80 former Contra guerrillas occupied the headquarters of the leftist Sandinista party in a northern Nicaraguan town, while another 30 took over a nearby town, the opposition daily Barricada reported Tuesday.

The seizures follow land disputes in the area where at least 18 people have died in clashes between the ex-Contras and peasants in recent weeks.

The paper said the group raided documents and stole +money for the poor+ at the Sandinista party offices in Quilali on Monday near the Honduran frontier, as well as taking over social welfare offices and a health centre.

The same day other foremer rebels took over a nearby town, threatening the population.

Barricada said it feared those involved could turn violent +through drink+, while the police sat in their barracks.

Similar incidents when peasants took over buildings to protest the former rebels' takeover of their land led to the earlier clashes with the Contras.

The Contras were officially disbanded in June after a 10-year battle against the former Sandinista government, which was defeated in general elections earlier this year.

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#90289f1009 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 16) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque f	80	45	....
Anchorage sy	33	15	....
Asheville sy	76	43	....
Atlanta sy	82	58	....
Baltimore sy	8-	46	....
Billings r	52	28	....
Birmingham sy	84	56	....
Bismarck sh	58	35	....
Boston sy	67	47	....
Brownsville w	88	73	....
Buffalo sy	61	49	....

Burlington Vt. pc	58	43	.02
Charleston S.C. sy	83	60	....
Charlotte sy	78	53	....
Chicago pc	68	55	....
Cincinnati sy	73	54	....
Cleveland pc	67	53	....
Columbus Ohio sy	71	53	....
Dallas pc	89	68	....
Denver sy	77	36	....
Des Moines pc	71	55	....
Detroit pc	64	46	....
Duluth cy	57	45	....
El Paso f	84	53	....
Evansville pc	78	56	....
Fargo cy	58	36	....
Hartford sy	70	39	....
Honolulu sy	90	75	....
Houston pc	86	67	....
Indianapolis pc	74	54	.03
Jackson Miss. sy	88	58	....
Jacksonville sy	87	66	....
Kansas City pc	77	59	....
Las Vegas f	86	58	....
Little Rock pc	83	66	....
Los Angeles pc	76	61	....
Louisville sy	76	54	....
Memphis sy	86	62	....
Miami Beach pc	90	79	....
Milwaukee pc	63	52	....
Minneapolis cy	67	53	....
Nashville sy	81	56	....
New Orleans f	85	62	....
New York sy	68	53	....
Oklahoma City pc	84	65	....
Omaha cy	72	51	....
Orlando pc	90	72	....
Philadelphia sy	70	49	....
Phoenix f	93	66	....
Pittsburgh sy	66	47	....
Portland Me. sy	62	38	....
Portland Ore. sh	61	40	.02
Providence sy	67	43	....
Richmond sy	72	48	....
St. Louis pc	77	60	.01
Salt Lake City pc	69	38	....
San Antonio pc	87	68	....
San Diego pc	72	63	....
San Francisco pc	69	50	....

San Juan pc	89	75	....
Seattle sh	56	43	.26
Spokane pc	49	31	.07
Tampa pc	92	72	....
Washington sy	73	51	....
Wichita cy	81	62	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

-30- 2681
#90289f1973 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 16) UPI - The grain market was under pressure all day Tuesday and closed lower on the Chicago Board of Trade. However, losses in corn and soybeans were tempered by the forecast for widespread rain for a couple of days in the major production areas.

Soybeans were at or near session lows at the final bell, trading at their lowest levels in two weeks. Deferred soybeans were especially weak on news that the ''triple base'' planting option could begin next year. November 1991 soybeans were down 9 1/2 cents at the close.

Congressional negotiators approved the plan early Tuesday, which still must pass the full congress. While the proposal was bearish for soybeans, it provided limited support for corn on talk that farmers might plant less corn and more soybeans.

Wheat made contract lows in every month in relatively quiet trading. The lack of buying interest weighed on wheat prices, as did news that India plans to sell up to 1 million tons of wheat by the end of the year.

At the close, corn was off 1/2 to 2, soybeans down 2 1/2 to 9 1/2, wheat off 2 1/2 to 4 1/4 and oats down 3/4 to 1.

-30- 1278
#90289f1974 10/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Tuesday 330.98 off 7.72.

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#90289h0007 10/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
SANTIAGO (OCT. 16) XINHUA - SPAIN WILL INVEST 1.2 BILLION DOLLARS IN CHILE OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS ACCORDING TO A FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED BY THE TWO COUNTRIES' FOREIGN MINISTERS ON THE OCCASION OF KING JUAN CARLOS AND QUEEN SOFIA'S OFFICIAL VISIT ON OCTOBER 17-22, A CHILEAN FOREIGN MINISTRY HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL SAID HERE TODAY.

THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S LEGAL DEPARTMENT HEAD EDUARDO VIO GROSSI SAID THAT THE AGREEMENT INCLUDES THE FIELDS OF ECONOMY, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, CULTURE, LEGAL AND CONSULAR AFFAIRS AND POLITICS. A POLITICAL HIGH COMMISSION WILL BE SET UP, AS WELL AS SUBCOMMISSIONS FOR EACH OF THE SECTORS SO THAT "RELATIONS WITH SPAIN ARE PERMANENT," HE SAID.

THE ACCORD WILL INCLUDE AN ECONOMIC PACT FOR 1.2 BILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF INVESTMENTS OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS AND A 800 MILLION DOLLAR LOAN, HE SAID, ADDING THAT 50 PERCENT OF THE LOAN WOULD HAVE NORMAL COMMERCIAL INTEREST RATES WHILE THE OTHER HALF WOULD HAVE PREFERENTIAL RATES.

VIO GROSSI SAID THAT THE TREATY WOULD STRENGTHEN "ALL THE BONDS BETWEEN SPAIN AND CHILE. IT RESUMES AND GIVES A NEW DIRECTION TO THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES."

HE DECLARED THAT ONCE IT IS SIGNED, THE AGREEMENT WOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE APPROVAL OF CONGRESS AND OF CHILEAN PRESIDENT PATRICIO AYLWIN, ADDING THAT IT COULD COME INTO FORCE IN MARCH NEXT YEAR.

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#90289h0008 10/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LIMA (OCT. 15) XINHUA - SOME 20,000 PERUVIAN WORKERS, INCLUDING MORE THAN 5,000 RAILWAY WORKERS, TODAY CALLED A GENERAL STRIKE DEMANDING WAGE HIKES AND OTHER LABOR-RELATED BENEFITS.

NATIONAL MINERS AND METAL AND STEEL WORKERS FEDERATION HEAD LEONARDO RAMIREZ TORIBIO SAID THAT THE STRIKERS WERE CENTROMIN EMPLOYEES AND THAT THE WORK STOPPAGE HAD PARALYZED THE MINES OF CASAPALCA, COBRIZA, CERRO DE PASCO, YAURICOCHA, MOROCOCHA AND SAN CRISTOBAL AS WELL AS THE METAL AND STEEL PLANT

OF LA OROYA AMONG OTHERS.

THE STRIKE IS EXPECTED TO CAUSE EXTENSIVE LOSSES FOR PERU, SINCE CENTROMIN ALONE IS LOSING ABOUT 1.2 MILLION DOLLARS A DAY.

PASSENGER AND FREIGHT TRAINS ALSO STOPPED THROUGHOUT PERU TODAY DUE TO A GENERAL STRIKE STAGED BY THE RAILWAY WORKERS.

ACCORDING TO NATIONAL RAILWAY WORKERS UNION SECRETARY GENERAL, ANGEL RODRIGUEZ MENA, EMPLOYEES OF THE CENTRAL AND SOUTH RAILWAY LINES AND OF THE INTERNATIONAL LINE TACNA-ARICA HAVE STOPPED WORKING.

THE TWO UNION LEADERS ARE DUE TO MEET IN THE LABOR MINISTRY AND IN THE PREMISES OF THE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO REACH A SOLUTION TO THE LABOR CONFLICT.

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#90289h0030 10/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING, OCTOBER 16 (XINHUA) -- MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND PEOPLE TOOK TO THE STREET IN BEIJING TODAY TO CALL FOR A GREATER EFFORT TO REDUCE FOOD WASTE.

AT THE 130 INFORMATION CENTERS THAT WERE SET UP THROUGHOUT THE CITY TODAY, CHARTS, PICTURES AND LEAFLETS SHOWING THE IMPORTANCE OF SAVING FOOD WERE DISPLAYED AND HANDED OUT.

TODAY'S ACTIVITIES ARE PART OF THE EVENTS TO MARK WORLD GRAIN DAY, WHICH WAS SET BY THE UNITED NATIONS IN 1979.

TODAY'S BEIJING DAILY REPORTED THAT AN EXHIBITION ON SAVING FOOD HAS ATTRACTED MORE THAN 100,000 VISITORS SINCE IT OPENED IN THE CAPITAL LAST MAY.

IN ANOTHER STORY, THE PAPER PRAISED STUDENTS FROM A LOCAL UNIVERSITY FOR HAVING SAVED MORE THAN 20 TONS OF GRAIN OVER THE PAST SIX YEARS.

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#90289h0031 10/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 16) XINHUA -- BUTTERFLIES ARE MOVING OUT OF THE HIMALAYAS AS A DIRECT CONSEQUENCE OF DEFORESTATION, ACCORDING TO AN RENOWNED INDIAN ENTOMOLOGIST, LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY.

"I DON'T WANT TO SOUND ALARMIST BUT AN INCREASE IN THE AVERAGE TEMPERATURE BY EVEN HALF A DEGREE CENTIGRADE IN THE HIMALAYAS COULD BRING ABOUT A CATASTROPHE " ENTOMOLOGIST FREDERICK SMETACEK CAUTIONED.

SMETACEK, WHO SPECIALIZES IN STUDYING THE COLORFUL HIMALAYAN BUTTERFLIES, SAID THAT IF THE BALANCE BETWEEN INSECTS LIKE BUTTERFLIES, BIRDS AND TREES IN THE

HIMALAYAS IS UPSET, THE ARID WEATHER OF THE PLAINS WILL INVADE THE LOWER FOOTHILLS.

SMETACEK REGULARLY CRISSCROSSES THE HIMALAYAS AS TO ADD TO HIS ORE THAN 10,000-STRONG BUTTERFLY AND MOTH COLLECTION. HE HAS ONE OF THE LARGEST AND MOST FASCINATING COLLECTION OF THESE CUTE LITTLE INSECTS IN ASIA.

ONE BUTTERFLY SPECIES HE IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN IS THE SNOW APOLLO -- AN EXTREMELY RARE SPECIMEN WHICH CAN BE FOUND AT THE DIZZY HEIGHTS OF 12,000 TO 20,000 FEET IN THE HIMALAYAS. THESE SNOW-COLORED WINGED INSECTS, NUMBERING NO MORE THAN A COUPLE OF HUNDRED, ARE THE SOLE POLLINATING AGENTS IN THE ICY BARRENNESS OF THE UPPER REACHES OF THE MIGHTY HIMALAYAS.

IF THE BUTTERFLIES DIE, SMETACEK SAID, THE ENTIRE PLANT LIFE OF THE UPPER HIMALAYAS MAY END, CAUSING DISASTROUS ICESLIDES.

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#90289h0047 10/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (OCT. 16) XINHUA - THE GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN WILL RECEIVE FROM SWITZERLAND A GRANT OF ABOUT 2 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR AN AGRICULTURAL PROJECT.

AN AGREEMENT TO THIS EFFECT WAS SIGNED HERE ON MONDAY BY SWISS AMBASSADOR P.A. TROENDLE AND SECRETARY OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS DIVISION R.A. AKHUND ON BEHALF OF THEIR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS.

EARLIER THIS YEAR, THE GOVERNMENT OF SWITZERLAND SANCTIONED A GRANT OF 17 MILLION DOLLARS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN PAKISTANS.

THE PROJECT, LOCATED IN NORTHWEST FRONTIER PROVINCE, HAS THE OVERALL OBJECTIVE OF DEVELOPING MODELS FOR INCREASING FARMERS' PRODUCTIVITY AND INCOME. THE MAIN COMPONENTS OF THE PROJECT ARE SOCIAL ORGANIZATION, WATERCOURSE RENOVATION AND MAINTENANCE, ON-FARM IMPROVED WATER MANAGEMENT, IRRIGATION SYSTEM RESEARCH AND AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH.

THE GOVERNMENT OF SWITZERLAND WILL PROVIDE EQUIPMENT, TRAINING, COSTS FOR WATERCOURSE RENOVATION AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE PROJECT UNDER THIS AGREEMENT.

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#90289h0058 10/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CANBERRA (OCT. 16) XINHUA - NEW REGULATIONS AIMED AT PREVENTING THE DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE FROM SHIPS INTO THE SEA WILL BE INTRODUCED IN NOVEMBER, THE FEDERAL SHIPPING AND AVIATION SUPPORT MINISTER, BOB COLLINS, ANNOUNCED TODAY.

COLLINS SAID IN A STATEMENT THE REGULATIONS EXTEND EXISTING OIL AND CHEMICAL POLLUTION CONTROLS AND ARE PART OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PREVENTION OF POLLUTION FROM SHIPS.

"THE DISPOSAL OF ALL TYPES OF GARBAGE AT SEA WILL BE STRICTLY CONTROLLED, WITH STIFF PENALTIES FOR OFFENDERS," HE SAID.

IT IS KNOWN THAT THE FEATURE OF THE REGULATIONS IS A BAN ON THE DUMPING OF ALL PLASTIC MATERIALS, INCLUDING SYNTHETIC ROPES AND FISHING NET, AT SEA.

PLASTIC SEVERELY THREATENS THE WHOLE MARINE ENVIRONMENT, ESPECIALLY MARINE MAMMALS THROUGH ENTANGLEMENT AND INGESTION.

COLLINS STRESSED IN THE STATEMENT THAT THE REGULATIONS WILL APPLY TO ALL CRAFT FROM SMALL RECREATIONAL TO LARGE COMMERCIAL VESSELS.

ALTHOUGH THESE REGULATIONS ARE AN OPTIONAL PART OF THE CONVENTION, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED THEY WOULD BE APPLIED TO AUSTRALIAN WATERS, HE SAID, ADDING THAT STATE GOVERNMENTS HAVE ALSO GIVEN SUPPORT FOR THE NEW REGULATIONS.

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#90289h0078 10/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 16) XINHUA - CHINA HAS MADE GREAT PROGRESS IN ITS ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS AND WISHES TO WORK TOGETHER WITH OTHER COUNTRIES IN ADDRESSING GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES.

THIS REMARK WAS MADE BY JIN JIANMING, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL BUREAU, AT A GATHERING TO MARK "WORLD STANDARDS DAY" HERE THIS AFTERNOON.

HE SAID THAT THE DESTRUCTION OF THE OZONE LAYER, THE GREENHOUSE EFFECT, ACID RAIN AND THE TRANSNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION OF TOXIC AND HAZARDOUS WASTES HAVE BECOME GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS, AND CHINA IS DUTY-BOUND TO JOIN THE EFFORTS TO PROTECT MANKIND'S LIVING SPACE AND SOLVE GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES.

ENVIRONMENT IS THE THEME OF WORLD STANDARDS DAY THIS YEAR. CHINA JOINED THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE FOR THE QUALITY OF AIR, WATER AND SOIL OF THE INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS ORGANIZATION (ISO) IN 1980. OVER THE PAST DECADE, CHINA HAS PROMULGATED 200 NATIONAL STANDARDS, INCLUDING 12 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY STANDARDS, 43 POLLUTANT-DISCHARGE STANDARDS AND 145 BASIC METHODS AND OTHER STANDARDS. IT HAS ALSO ADOPTED 19 INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS.

JIN SAID THAT THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT HAS ALWAYS ATTACHED GREAT IMPORTANCE TO ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS AND PROMULGATED A WHOLE RANGE OF POLICIES, REGULATIONS AND LAWS.

TO PROMOTE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WORK, HE SAID, CHINA HAS SENT A DOZEN DELEGATIONS TO INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS AND ON STUDY TOURS OF ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS OF OTHER COUNTRIES. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF CHINESE SCIENTIFIC WORKERS AND EXPERTS WORKING IN THE UNITED STATES, BRITAIN AND GERMANY ON INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION PROJECTS.

IN THE NEXT DECADE, JIN SAID, CHINA WILL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE NEED FOR OBJECTIVE MANAGEMENT IN WORKING OUT STANDARDS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND POLLUTANT DISCHARGE, AND STRIVE FOR THE MAXIMUM ECONOMIC RESULTS AND SOCIAL BENEFITS BY USING WHAT FINANCIAL AND MATERIAL RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE. AT THE SAME TIME, CHINA WILL ATTACH GREATER IMPORTANCE TO THE ELIMINATION OF POLLUTION IN PRODUCTION PROCESSES AND INCLUDE POLLUTION-FREE TECHNOLOGICAL PROCESSES AND COMPREHENSIVE UTILIZATION IN THE STANDARDS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

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#90289h0096 10/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 16) XINHUA - PACIFIC DUNLOP OF AUSTRALIA OPENED HERE TODAY A LARGE SOCKS FACTORY WHICH COSTS FIVE MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

THE NEW FACTORY WILL HAVE AN ANNUAL OUTPUT OF 9 MILLION PAIRS OF SOCKS MADE WITH CHINESE COTTON AND WOOL. IT'S PRODUCTS WILL BE EXPORTED TO AUSTRALIA, NORTH AMERICA AND EUROPE.

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#90289h0114 10/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (OCT. 16) XINHUA - BRAZIL AGREED TO SELL FRANCE 80 TUCANO AIRPLANES, LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY.

THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED BETWEEN BRAZIL'S AERONAUTICS COMPANY (EMBRAER) AND THE FRENCH AIR FORCE. THE DEAL IS ESTIMATED AT 200 MILLION DOLLARS.

THE TUCANO IS A MILITARY TRAINING PLANE WITH ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENTS. BRAZIL HAS SOLD 597 PLANES OF THIS KIND. THE MAIN BUYERS INCLUDE ARGENTINA, EGYPT, HONDURAS, ENGLAND, IRAQ AND PERU.

THE PLANES TO BE SOLD TO FRANCE ARE EXPECTED TO BE DELIVERED DURING 1991 AND 1994.

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#90289k0007 10/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 16) KYODO - NEC CORP. SAID TUESDAY IT WILL BEGIN SHIPPING NEXT WEEK A SMALL PORTABLE PERSONAL COMPUTER (PC) WHICH COMBINES THE POWER OF A TYPICAL PC AND THE CONVENIENCE OF AN ELECTRONIC NOTEBOOK.

THE PC-98HA, CALLED THE HANDY 98, IS A 1.1 KILOGRAM, A5 PAPER-SIZED DIARY-TYPE PERSONAL COMPUTER. THE HANDY 98 IS 234 MILLIMETERS LONG, 148 MILLIMETERS WIDE AND 36 MILLIMETERS IN THICKNESS AND WILL SELL FOR 198,000 YEN, EXCLUDING TAX, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE DIARY COMPUTER UTILIZES A 16-BIT NEC V50 MICROPROCESSOR WHICH PROVIDES 640 KILOBYTES OF USER MEMORY, 1.25 MEGABYTES OF INTERNAL MEMORY, AND A RAM (RANDOM ACCESS MEMORY) CARD SLOT.

THE RAM CARD, CONTAINING THE INTEGRATED PC SOFTWARE MS-WORKS, WILL INCLUDE JAPANESE-LANGUAGE DATABASE, SPREADSHEET, BUSINESS CHART, WORDPROCESSING, AND COMMUNICATIONS FUNCTIONS.

IT IS EQUIPPED WITH A 6.9-INCH, 640 BY 400 PIXEL RESOLUTION LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY SCREEN AND A REDUCED-SIZED KEYBOARD.

IN ADDITION, THE COMPUTER IS CAPABLE OF EXCHANGING DATA WITH NEC PC-9800 SERIES MACHINES VIA AN RS-232C INTERFACE CABLE.

AN OPTIONAL DOCKING STATION INTERFACE, CONTAINING A 3.5-INCH MICRO DISK DRIVE, ENABLES THE HANDY 98 TO UTILIZE ABOUT 500 SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE WITH THE PC-98LT PERSONAL COMPUTER.

THE NICKEL CADMIUM BATTERY PACK GIVES SEVEN HOURS OF COMPUTING TIME AND CAN BE RECHARGED IN 1.5 HOURS. IT HAS A LOW POWER CONSUMPTION OF 2 WATTS.

NEC EXPECTS TO SELL ABOUT 200,000 UNITS IN THE FIRST YEAR AFTER SHIPMENT, OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90289k0027 10/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 16) KYODO - NEW MACHINERY ORDERS PLACED IN AUGUST BY THE PRIVATE SECTOR EDGED UP A SEASONALLY ADJUSTED 1.1 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH, THE ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY (EPA) SAID TUESDAY.

NEW PRIVATE-SECTOR ORDERS ROSE BY 14.7 PERCENT ON AN ANNUAL BASIS TO HIT AN ALL TIME HIGH OF 1,048.1 BILLION YEN IN THE MONTH, ECLIPSING THE PREVIOUS HIGH OF 1,036.9 BILLION YEN RECORDED IN JULY.

THE FIGURES, WHICH EXCLUDE WILDLY FLUCTUATING ORDERS FOR SHIPS AND THOSE FROM ELECTRIC POWER FIRMS, ARE SEEN AS AN EARLY INDICATOR OF TRENDS IN CORPORATE CAPITAL SPENDING.

"ALTHOUGH I CAN'T MAKE ANY PREDICTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR, MACHINERY ORDERS IN THE COMING MONTHS SHOULD REMAIN BRISK," AN EPA OFFICIAL SAID.

ORDERS IN SEPTEMBER, HOWEVER, MIGHT FALL IN REACTION TO THE STEADY GROWTH POSTED IN JULY AND AUGUST, HE SAID.

IN AUGUST, OVERALL ORDERS, INCLUDING THOSE FROM THE PUBLIC SECTOR AND THOSE FROM ELECTRIC POWER FIRMS, FELL 1.3 PERCENT FROM THE PRECEDING MONTH, BUT JUMPED 19.1 PERCENT FROM THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

"THE MONTH-ON-MONTH DROP IN THE ORDERS IN AUGUST IS A REACTION TO THE SHARP RISE IN ORDERS FOR PLANTS AND SHIPS DURING THE PREVIOUS MONTH," THE OFFICIAL SAID.

OVERALL ORDERS ROSE BY 16.1 PERCENT ON A MONTH-ON-MONTH BASIS IN JULY AND BY A HEFTY 23.6 PERCENT FROM THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

MACHINERY ORDERS FROM THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR INCREASED 2.8 PERCENT IN AUGUST FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH AND 11.9 PERCENT FROM THE SAME PERIOD THE YEAR BEFORE.

THOSE FROM THE NONMANUFACTURING SECTOR SAGGED 0.7 PERCENT IN AUGUST, BUT ROSE 17.8 PERCENT FROM THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR.

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#90289k0039 10/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 16) KYODO - SNOW BRAND MILK PRODUCTS CO. SAID TUESDAY IT HAS SIGNED AN AGREEMENT WITH U.S.-BASED IMMUNE TECHNOLOGY INC. TO JOINTLY DEVELOP MEDICINES THAT WILL PROVIDE IMMUNITIES TO A NUMBER OF DISEASES.

THE RESEARCH AGREEMENT COVERS WORK ON MEDICINES AND METHODS OF TREATMENT FOR ORGAN TRANPLANT INFECTIONS, CHRONIC RHEUMATISM, AND EARLY CHILDHOOD DIABETES, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

SNOW BRAND MILK PRODUCTS WILL BE LICENSED TO MARKET IN JAPAN ANY PRODUCTS WHICH EVOLVE FROM THE COOPERATIVE RESEARCH PROJECT.

THE TWO COMPANIES WILL INITIALLY WORK TOGETHER TO DEVELOP A MEDICAL APPLICATION FOR A DISEASE-FIGHTING ORGANIC SUBSTANCE DISCOVERED BY CORNELL UNIVERSITY'S DR. JEFFREY C. LAWRENCE, WHO IS CURRENTLY CHIEF SCIENCE ADVISER TO THE U.S. FIRM, OFFICIALS SAID.

IMMUNE TECHNOLOGY, ESTABLISHED IN BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS IN 1986, DEVELOPS BIOTECHNOLOGICAL PRODUCTS FOR MEDICAL PURPOSES.

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#90289k0074 10/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 16) KYODO - ANY ATTEMPT BY THE SOVIET UNION TO RESOLVE ITS TERRITORIAL DISPUTE WITH JAPAN BY RETURNING ONLY TWO OF THE FOUR DISPUTED ISLANDS OR SETTING THEM ASIDE FOR THE JOINT USE OF THE TWO COUNTRIES WOULD BE

"IMPOSSIBLE" TO ACCEPT, A FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID TUESDAY.

"IN ORDER TO RESOLVE THE NORTHERN TERRITORIES PROBLEM, IT IS INDISPENSABLE THAT ALL FOUR ISLANDS BE RETURNED," SPOKESMAN TAIZO WATANABE TOLD JAPANESE REPORTERS.

"ANY TWO-ISLAND OR JOINT-USE SCENARIO IS IMPOSSIBLE, THAT'S OUR POSITION," WATANABE SAID.

WATANABE WAS REACTING TO SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE'S REMARKS MONDAY IN THE SUPREME SOVIET THAT MOSCOW IS NOT CONSIDERING THE TRANSFER OF THE ISLANDS TO JAPAN, BUT THAT THEY COULD BE JOINTLY UTILIZED ECONOMICALLY BY THE TWO COUNTRIES.

THE SPOKESMAN WAS ALSO ALLUDING TO REMARKS BY PROMINENT JAPANESE POLITICIANS EARLIER THIS MONTH THAT THEY HAD BEEN INFORMED BY SOVIET OFFICIALS THAT MOSCOW WOULD BE WILLING TO RESURRECT A SINCE-DISAVOWED 1956 DECLARATION PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF TWO ISLANDS IN THE DISPUTED GROUP.

THE SOVIETS SEIZED THE FOUR ISLANDS, WHICH JAPAN REFERS TO AS ITS INHERENT "NORTHERN TERRITORIES," AT THE END OF WORLD WAR II.

WATANABE CALLED ON THE SOVIETS TO BEGIN SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING THE RETURN OF ALL FOUR ISLANDS AHEAD OF SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV'S SCHEDULED VISIT TO JAPAN IN MID-APRIL.

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#90289k0077 10/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE (OCT. 16) KYODO - THE HEAD OF TOYOTA MOTOR MANUFACTURING (TMM), A U.S. SUBSIDIARY OF TOYOTA MOTOR CORP., SAID MONDAY THE COMPANY WILL RAISE ITS ANNUAL PRODUCTION OF CAMRY SUBCOMPACT CARS FROM THE CURRENT 210,000 VEHICLES TO 240,000 AFTER 1992.

COMPANY PRESIDENT FUJIO CHO TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE HEAD OFFICE THAT THE PLANNED PRODUCTION INCREASE WILL REDUCE IMPORTS OF THE CAMRY FROM JAPAN AND ALLOW SOME OF THE SURPLUS PRODUCTS TO BE IMPORTED TO JAPAN IN LINE WITH TOYOTA'S IMPORT EXPANSION PROGRAM.

REFERRING TO THE U.S. AUTO MARKET, WIDELY REPORTED TO BE SLUGGISH, CHO SAID HE SEES NO DRAMATIC CHANGE IN DEMAND FOR THE COMPANY'S PRODUCTS FOR THE TIME BEING.

ANNUAL SALES OF THE CAMRY IN THE U.S. MARKET CURRENTLY STAND AT 270,000-280,000 VEHICLES.

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#90289k0084 10/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 16) KYODO - A TOTAL OF 94 DOMESTIC FLIGHTS WILL BE CANCELLED SHORTLY BEFORE AND AFTER THE ENTHRONEMENT OF EMPEROR AKIHITO ON NOVEMBER 12 TO MAKE ROOM FOR SPECIAL FLIGHTS CARRYING FOREIGN DIGNITARIES, TRANSPORT MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

THE CANCELLATION WILL OCCUR ON NOVEMBER 10, 11, AND 14, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

FOREIGN DIGNITARIES FROM ABOUT 150 COUNTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS ARE SCHEDULED TO ATTEND THE ENTHRONEMENT CEREMONY. MISSIONS FROM SOME 30 COUNTRIES PLAN TO COME ON SPECIAL FLIGHTS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

SPECIAL FLIGHTS ARRIVE AT HANEDA AIRPORT IN TOKYO. THE DEFENSE AGENCY WILL TRANSFER DIGNITARIES WHO ARRIVE AT THE NEW TOKYO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN NARITA, 50 KILOMETERS EAST OF TOKYO, TO CENTRAL TOKYO BY HELICOPTERS AND YS-11 TURBOPROP PLANES, THEY SAID.

HANEDA AIRPORT IS FILLED TO CAPACITY BY REGULAR FLIGHTS, SO THE MINISTRY HAS ASKED AIRLINES TO CANCEL 94 FLIGHTS TO MAKE WAY FOR THE DIGNITARIES, THEY SAID.

THE MINISTRY ALSO HAS URGED AIRPORTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO TIGHTEN SECURITY DURING THE PERIOD.

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TOKYO (OCT. 16) KYODO - THE FOUNDER OF AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE ASSURANCE CO. JOHN B. AMOS, WHO DIED IN AUGUST, WILL BE DECORATED WITH JAPAN'S SECOND CLASS ORDER OF THE SACRED TREASURE FOR HIS CONTRIBUTION TO REDUCING TRADE FRICTION WITH THE UNITED STATES, GOVERNMENT SOURCES SAID TUESDAY.

THE DECISION WAS MADE IN THE DAY'S CABINET MEETING, THE SOURCES SAID. AMOS WILL BE THE FIRST FOREIGN BUSINESSMAN IN THE FINANCIAL SERVICES INDUSTRY POSTHUMOUSLY AWARDED A JAPANESE ORDER.

AMOS, AS THE CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE ASSURANCE, BASED IN COLUMBUS, OHIO, SUCCESSFULLY POPULARIZED CANCER INSURANCE IN JAPAN.

HE WAS KNOWN AS A SUPPORTER OF JAPAN AGAINST THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AND CONGRESS AT A TIME WHEN TRADE FRICTION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WAS WORSENING, ASSERTING THAT THE JAPANESE MARKET WAS NOT REALLY CLOSED.

HIS COMPANY ALSO CARRIED NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENTS INFORMING READERS OF ITS SUCCESS IN SELLING CANCER INSURANCE IN JAPAN.

THE CEREMONY CONFERRING THE ORDER IS SCHEDULED FOR MID-NOVEMBER IN WASHINGTON, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCES. AS AMOS DIED IN AUGUST AT AGE 66, HIS WIDOW ELENA WILL TAKE PART IN THE CEREMONY, THEY ADDED.

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TOKYO (OCT. 16) KYODO - EMPLOYEES AT FOREIGN-AFFILIATED COMPANIES IN JAPAN ARE MUCH MORE LIKELY TO HAVE WEEKENDS COMPLETELY OFF AND TO TAKE ALL THEIR PAID VACATION TIME THAN THOSE AT JAPANESE-OWNED FIRMS, ACCORDING TO A SURVEY RELEASED TUESDAY.

THE FIVE-DAY WORK WEEK HAS BEEN FULLY ADOPTED AT 85.5 PERCENT OF FOREIGN-OWNED FIRMS, COMPARED WITH ONLY 9.6 PERCENT OF JAPANESE COMPANIES, THE JAPAN PRODUCTIVITY CENTER FOUND IN THE SURVEY, CONDUCTED IN MARCH.

AT A JAPANESE SUBSIDIARY OF THE WORLD'S TOP RANKING COMPREHENSIVE CHEMICAL MAKER, 87.4 PERCENT OF ALL EMPLOYEES USED UP THEIR ANNUAL PAID HOLIDAYS, COMPARED TO THE JAPANESE AVERAGE OF 51.5 PERCENT.

OFFICIALS IN CHARGE OF LABOR AFFAIRS AT FOREIGN COMPANIES TOLD THE CENTER THEY ARE ENCOURAGING EMPLOYEES TO TAKE DAYS OFF. MANY OF THE COMPANIES FEEL IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF SENIOR STAFF TO MAKE SURE THEIR YOUNGER COLLEAGUES USE THEIR VACATION TIME, THE CENTER SAID.

AT THE JAPANESE SUBSIDIARY OF A MAJOR FOREIGN OIL COMPANY, EXECUTIVES ENTRUST THEIR SUBORDINATES WITH THEIR JOBS WHEN THEY GO ON VACATION AND KEEP ANY COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE RESULTS TO THEMSELVES, THE CENTER SAID. THIS NOT ONLY LETS THE EXECUTIVES HAVE TIME OFF, IT GIVES OTHER EMPLOYEES A CHANCE TO DEVELOP THEIR ABILITIES, IT SAID.

MANY FOREIGN-CAPITALIZED FIRMS ALLOW PAID SICK LEAVE, THE CENTER NOTED. HOWEVER, EVEN IF EMPLOYEES AT FOREIGN COMPANIES HAVE MORE TIME OFF, THEY WORK HARD WHILE THEY ARE ON THE JOB, THE CENTER NOTED.

THE CENTER, WHICH PROMOTES BUSINESS EFFICIENCY, SENT QUESTIONNAIRES TO 2,525 COMPANIES WITH FOREIGN CAPITAL OF OVER 50 PERCENT, OF WHICH 502 COMPANIES RESPONDED.

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MANILA (OCT. 16) KYODO - FIVE HEAVILY ARMED MEN ROBBED TWO JAPANESE NATIONALS AND THEIR THREE FILIPINA COMPANIONS OF SOME 1.7 MILLION PESOS (ABOUT 9 MILLION YEN) IN CASH AND JEWELRY SHORTLY AFTER THEIR ARRIVAL IN MANILA, POLICE REPORTED TUESDAY.

POLICE CORPORAL REYNALDO BACULAN IDENTIFIED THE VICTIMS AS MINORU HIRAYAMA, 40 AND YUICHI AJIMA, 29, WHOSE ADDRESSES IN JAPAN WERE NOT AVAILABLE. BOTH SAID THEY WERE BUSINESSMEN.

BACULAN SAID THAT THE TWO JAPANESE WERE FETCHED BY THEIR FEMALE FRIENDS AT THE AIRPORT AT 10 P.M. ON MONDAY AND WERE BOUND FOR THE HOLIDAY INN WHEN THEY WERE ROBBED.

THE VICTIMS SAID THAT WHILE CRUISING ALONG THE WATERFRONT ROXAS BOULEVARD, A CAR SUDDENLY BLOCKED THEIR PATH.

FIVE MEN ARMED WITH .45 CALIBER PISTOLS AND M-16 ASSAULT RIFLES EMERGED FROM THE BLOCKING CAR, POINTED THEIR GUNS AT THEM, FORCED THE THREE FEMALE COMPANIONS OUT OF THE VEHICLE AND TOOK THE TWO JAPANESE AWAY, THE VICTIMS SAID.

HIRAYAMA AND AJIMA TOLD POLICE THAT THEY WERE DUMPED UNHARMED BY THE SUSPECTS IN A MAKATI STREET AFTER BEING DIVESTED OF CASH AND JEWELRY.

THEY SAID THE MONEY TAKEN FROM THEM WAS INTENDED TO PAY FOR EXPENSES OF "CULTURAL DANCERS" TO BE BROUGHT TO JAPAN. POLICE SAID THE DUO WERE THE SEVENTH AND EIGHTH VICTIMS SINCE SEPTEMBER 12 OF A SYNDICATE PREYING ON JAPANESE.

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JAKARTA (OCT. 16) KYODO - PRESIDENT SOEHARTO OF INDONESIA ON TUESDAY APPEALED FOR THE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES TO RELEASE THEIR STOCKPILED OIL TO COPE WITH THE CURRENT OIL CRISIS.

THE APPEAL CAME IN AN OPENING ADDRESS TO THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONFERENCE UNDERWAY HERE UNTIL OCTOBER 18.

ORGANIZATION OF PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES (OPEC) OIL MINISTERS SADEK BOUSSENA OF ALGERIA, JIBRIL AMINU OF NIGERIA, CELESTINO ARMAS OF VENEZUELA, GINANJAR KARTASASMITA OF INDONESIA, AND OPEC SECRETARY GENERAL SOEBROTO ARE ATTENDING.

AT A LATER PRESS CONFERENCE SOEBROTO SAID PETROLEUM PRODUCTION IS FALLING SHORT OF WORLD CONSUMPTION BY AN ESTIMATED 1.8 MILLION BARRELS PER DAY (BPD), NECESSITATING THE RELEASE OF STOCKS BY THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE CONSUMER COUNTRIES TO FILL THE GAP.

SOEBROTO STRESSED THAT THE ESTIMATED SHORTAGE DOES NOT TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE COMING INCREASE OF OIL DEMAND OVER THE WINTER, POSSIBLE MISHAPS IN THE NORTH SEA, OR A DECLINE IN SOVIET PRODUCTION.

HOWEVER, JIBRIL AMINU ADMITTED THAT OPEC CAN ONLY APPEAL FOR THE COOPERATION OF THE CONSUMER COUNTRIES.

WORLD OIL PRICES SOARED TO 40 DOLLARS PER BARREL LAST WEEK, MORE THAN DOUBLE THE PRICE PREVAILING BEFORE THE GULF CRISIS.

IN AN EARLIER STATEMENT GINANJAR PREDICTED THE PRICE OF CRUDE COULD REACH MORE THAN 50 DOLLARS PER BARREL SHOULD WAR BREAK OUT IN THE GULF REGION.

ON THE OTHER HAND, ALGERIAN OIL MINISTER BOUSSENA STRESSED THAT IT IS VERY DIFFICULT TO PREDICT OIL PRICES AND THAT OPEC'S ONLY MEANS TO CONTROL PRICES WAS THROUGH PRODUCTION LEVELS, WHICH NOW SEEM INADEQUATE TO MEET DEMAND.

OPEC HAS DONE WHAT IT CAN AND THE BALL IS NOW IN THE CONSUMER COUNTRIES' COURT SAID BOUSSENA.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 16) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei posts another gain, adding 497 points. ... In London the FTSE is off 4 points at midday. ... Bonds are lower with the yield on the thirty year Treasury up to 8.95%. ... The dollar is mixed. ... Brent North Sea crude is off 50 cents to $37.30 in overseas trading. retail and wholesale revenue rose 2.1% from July to August, mostly due to inflation. ... PRESIDENT MIKHAIL S. GORBACHEV of the Soviet Union has been named the 1990 winner of the Nobel Peace Prize in recognition of his initiatives in promotion of international peace. ... UNITED AIRLINES has placed a $22 billion order with BOEING for 128 widebody jets. ... IBM net income for the third quarter jumped 26% to $1.95 a share, slightly below expectations. ... PEPSICO reports a 25% earnings increase in the third quarter. ... GENERAL MOTORS reports a 13.3% gain in early-October car sales, but overall Big Three auto sales fell 5.8%.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN addresses the American Stock Exchange Conference this morning. ... FED GOVERNOR MARTHA SEGER addresses the National Economists Club on the U.S. Banking system.

FROM THE BULLS:

A big rally ahead to confound the bears? JAMES DINES of the "Dines Letter" believes recent market action indicates a bottom. "The market is so oversold ... we would not be surprised to see an extremely sharp rally." Dines says a move to 2560 would be encouraging, with a gain to 2605 suggesting a rally above 2700. "Some bargains are opening up that make us drool ... [but] we don't see much harm in waiting a bit longer [to buy]." (CNBC "World Business" 10/16)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I don't think there is a sustainable upward move yet," says DAN WILLIAMS, manager of institutional trading at DILLON READ. "We're getting a technical bounce off some lows, but the trend is still lower." (WSJ, 10/16)

"I wouldn't make much of this rally," says RICK ASTER, manager of the MERIDIAN FUND. "The market is still in a downtrend and is being steered by the latest rumors on the budget and what is happening in the Middle East." He says the market should bottom within six months. ("Investor's Daily", 10/16)

Stocks are in the midst of a primary bear market, says RICHARD EVANS of "Dow Theory Forecasts." Evans says his indicators point to a rebound rally in the bear market, but adds: "Investors must assume that prospects for stocks will deteriorate." (CNBC "World Business" 10/16)

The bear market "has not yet run its course," says noted Wall Street bear H. ERICH HEINEMANN, chief economist for LADENBURG, THALMANN & COMPANY. On a more positive note he adds, "Now is the time for portfolio managers to plan for economic recovery next year. The pessimism is overdone. You've got to start planning for a recovery." (NYT, 10/16)

STOCK MARKET:

"We'll probably have a flat opening and maybe an attempt to rally later," says WILLIAM RAFTERY, a technical analyst at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM. Overall, he believes the market will head higher today. (Reuters, 10/16)

"We will get rallies," says HILDEGARDE ZAGORSKI of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. "We do get some pretty nice rallies in bear markets and this could be the beginning of a fairly good one. We don't know. ... Our advice, basically, is to sell on these rallies because we think the market has further to go on the downside." (CNBC's "Market Wrap-Up", 10/15)

PAUL HENNESSEY, head equities trader at BOSTON CO. says that selling pressure is easing. "We're still rebounding from last week's 100- point drop." He is cautious and doesn't think it's party time yet. (WSJ, 10/16)

KENNETH TOWER, technical analyst at DELAFIELD HARVEY, TABELL INC., thinks the market is near a bottom, but adds that "very bottom or the very end of the market can be very volatile, so I'm cautious as far as jumping in with both feet here for short-term investors." (CNBC's "Market Wrap-Up", 10/15)

"The stock market is once again moving inversely to oil prices, but there are other factors here" says MICHAEL METZ at OPPENHEIMER & CO. "Steady bonds is one and although IBM earnings came in a little below expectations, there was no disaster. The stock is holding fairly well partly because of optimistic statements about future business." ("The Washington Post", 10/16)

"People have been burnt by several rallies already and are learning that you sell on these advances and buy on the retreats," says A. MARSHALL ACUFF JR., portfolio strategist at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM. He says there is no evidence that the latest advance is anything more than a "bear market rally." (WSJ, 10/16)

Many institutions are holding off until the crush of earnings reports of the next couple of weeks to decide whether to put money to work in stocks. Among the most anticipated reports are a flurry from drug companies and regional telephone companies. "If they come out poor, it's strong confirmation that we are heading into recession," says CHRIS PEDERSEN at STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. Analyst MELISSA BROWN at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE says she is worried about overly high expectations for drug company earnings. ("USA Today", 10/16)

STOCK TIPS:

JAMES STONE of LADENBURG, THALMANN & CO. says the IBM earnings report "was a slight disappointment. ... The major disappointment was that the product sales were down year-over-year." However, he says he views that as "a very short-term phenomenon awaiting the outcome of the new system 390s which will just begin shipping." (CNBC's "Market Wrap-Up", 10/15)

Poor earnings announced by IBM are a harbinger of things to come from other companies, says EDWARD MATLUCK of ZACKS INVESTMENT SERVICES. Earnings will be down for the third quarter and "the fourth quarter is not looking well at all " according to Matluck. He says analysts tend to be overly optimistic and slow to lower earnings estimates. "Now that it's clear the economy is falling into a recession, the revisions are coming in hot and heavy." Earnings estimates are rising in the energy sector and holding up well in the cosmetics, personal care and medical areas. (CNBC "World Business", 10/16)

Stock in POLAROID CORP. dropped 22% on news of lower damages than the market expected in its patent suit against EASTMAN KODAK. "We're not recommending that people use the weakness of the stock as a buying opportunity because earnings will continue to flag," says ALEX HENDERSON, an analyst at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. PETER ENDERLIN, an analyst at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM, disagrees: "Now that the stock has gotten massacred, I think it's a good buy." He does concede theat "I'm probably the only person who does." (WSJ, 10/16)

The defense industry is undergoing a period of consolidation as the U.S. adjusts it's military strategies. HOWARD RUBEL, defense analyst at C.J. LAWRENCE, says a House bill calling for greater numbers of fast supply ships would primarily benefit AVONDALE INDUSTRIES. His favorite stocks in the defense group are MCDONNELL DOUGLAS, where management is reorienting itself away from defense, and BOEING which continues to launch new, advanced aircraft programs. (FNN "World Market Update", 10/16)

WALTER F. LOEB, president of LOEB ASSOCIATES, New York financial consultants, is certain that WAL-MART STORES "will gain market share during the Christmas season whether it is good or bad, as will TOYS R US." He adds, "I think HOME DEPOT stands to do well no matter what because if offers ego-satisfaction merchandise to people who like to use their hands." In stock prices, he sees Wal-Mart rising to $34 a share from the current $29 and Home Depot going to $32 from $29. (NYT, 10/16)

Insurance issue CINCINNATI FINANCIAL was up 5 1/4 to 71 1/4, but "it just looks like a lot of people covering shorts," according to FIREMARK INSURANCE RESEARCH's WILLIAM DOLSON. He says Cincinnati has recovered from heavy payouts after Hurricane Hugo, and should meet or exceed earnings estimates. ("Investor's Daily", 10/16)

"Investors should use any rallies in the weeks ahead to pare back positions," says a bearish RICHARD EVANS of "Dow Theory Forecasts." However, Evans suggests that investors hold GENERAL ELECTRIC, PEPSICO and WESTINGHOUSE. (CNBC "World Business", 10/16)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"Although only one currency [the Australian dollar] had selling news, the high-yield currencies [including the pound, the Canadian dollar and the New Zealand dollar] tended to move in tandem," says THOMAS BENFER, senior marketing representative at BANK OF MONTREAL in New York. (WSJ, 10/16)

"Most of the [currency] activity was in cross-trading, with movement out of high - yielding currencies ... and movement mostly on yen," says RONALD HOLZER of HARRIS TRUST & CO. ("Investor's Daily", 10/16)

"The bond market is poised for a major rally," says H. ERICH HEINEMANN, chief economist for LADENBURG, THALMANN & COMPANY. That, he adds, "could create a tide that will lift all Wall Street boats." (NYT, 10/16)

"I'm disappointed we haven't had a bigger [bond] rally," says MICHAEL ROSEN, vice president of FIRST INTERSTATE BANK LTD. in Los Angeles. "Oil is down, gold is down, the CRB index is down. We should be a lot higher." He adds, "Concern over the budget and the prospects for war are holding people back. People are still very cautious and very tentative." (WSJ, 10/16)

"The last few weeks [the long-bond yield] has fluctuated around the 9% yield level. It seems to have found an equilibrium and doesn't seem willing to go too far one way or the other until we get some resolution" of the standoff in the Middle East and the budget, says ROBERT McGEE, economist at TOKAI BANK LTD. in New York. (WSJ, 10/16)

THE ECONOMY:

"The oil shock now suggests it's going to be difficult for the economy to grow ... until the middle of next year," says MICHAEL BOSKIN, chairman of the White House COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/15)

"Lack of confidence, lack of investment, lack of spending [and] a defensive attitude on most people's parts" are the factors which are hurting the economy according to JEFFREY CHANDOR of MERRILL LYNCH. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/15)

According to the COMMERCE DEPARTMENT, business inventories increased by 0.5% which was more than offset by the 2.1% rise in total business sales. "Overall I think the inventory situation has been very well contained," says JOAN SCHNEIDER, senior domestic economist with CONTINENTAL BANK NATIONAL TRUST & CO. in Chicago. (WSJ, 10/16)

Early October car and light truck sales declined by 2.1%. "This is the sort of weakness that I expected to see develop much earlier," said TOM WEBB, chief economist of the NATIONAL AUTOMOBILE DEALERS ASSOCIATION. "People simply don't have the money or confidence to buy in the present market." (WSJ, 10/16)

In retail sales "customer confidence is the problem," says JOHN SCHULZ, president of the New York services division of the NATIONAL RETAIL FEDERATION. "No one at this stage knows if there will be a war or what the price of oil will be in December. The deficit- reduction program helped to shore up confidence in the financial markets. Still, the consumer is very concerned. But if the Mideast situation is resolved without a war, we could have a very fair Christmas season." (NYT, 10/16)

"The gulf crisis and the subsequent upheavals in the oil and stock markets have combined with the warnings of recession and higher interest rates in many countries to repress the M. and A. [mergers and acquisitions] market," says HERBERT ADLER, international mergers and acquisitions partner for accounting firm KPMG PEAT MARWICK in New York. (NYT, 10/16)

IN WASHINGTON:

"They're in fact, simply calling for the redistribution of wealth," says House Minority Leader BOB MICHEL (R. - Ill,), commenting on the budget plan proposed by Ways and Means Chairman DAN ROSTENKOWSKI (D. - Ill.), which would increase tax rates for the wealthy. Michel criticizes the plan, saying, "A policy of simply taxing the rich won't create one new job." A floor fight is expected

today when Democrats try to amend the current package to include those increases. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/15)

The budget conciliation talks are "where Members put their money where their mouth is," says REP. LEON PANETTA (D. - Calif.), who chairs the House Budget Committee. He says, "Those who have talked a lot about deficit reduction" must now act to bring about meaningful reduction. ("Nightly Business Report", 10/15)

"The single most important thing we can do to take out some insurance to improve our short- and medium-term [economic] performance is to get a good, multi-year, credible, enforceable, growth-oriented deficit reduction package now," says MICHAEL BOSKIN, chairman of the president's COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS. He says the White House is sticking to its forecast that the economy is not in or heading for a recession, partly because he sees declining oil prices. (CNBC's "Market Wrap-Up",)

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IRVINE, CALIF. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Rainbow Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: RNBO) today reported that its net income during the nine- month period ended Sept. 30 rose 33 percent compared to earnings for the first three quarters of last year.

Net income totaled $1,509,000 for the first nine months of Rainbow's current fiscal year, up from 1989's total of $1,133,000. Revenues for the period climbed above the $10 million mark to $10,149,000, a 27 percent increase compared to revenues of $8,015,000 reported for the same period last year.

Income per share for the first three quarters of 1990 reached $0.38 based on 3,975,000 shares outstanding, also a 27 percent increase compared to $0.30 per share based on 3,797,000 average shares outstanding for the comparable period in 1989.

For the three-month period ended Sept. 30, Rainbow reported net income of $336,000, a 3 percent increase over earnings of $326,000 for last year's comparable period. Revenues rose 14 percent to $3,234,000 compared to $2,830,000 for 1989's third quarter.

Income per share for 1990's third quarter totaled $0.09 based on 3,850,000 average shares outstanding, unchanged from the $0.09 reported last year based on 3,808,000 average shares outstanding.

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#90289p5151 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - X/Open Company Ltd., the international open systems consortium, today said that Amdahl Corp. (AMEX: AMH) has become a full corporate member of X/Open. At the same time, X/Open said that five major U.S. and European corporations and governement agencies have become members of X/Open's User Council.

Amdahl's UTS and UTS Multilevel Security (UTS/MLS) Unix systems are designed to meet the requirements of large data center operations with respect to reliability, capacity, performance, and security. They are the only standalone UNIX systems for System/370 processor. "The UTS system represents a key strategic direction for Amdahl and one that is consistent with X/Open's goals and directions," said Francesconi.

The new U.S. members of the User Council are Boeing Computer Services, the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Farmers' Home Administration, and the U.S. Treasury Department. The new European members are the Swedish Telecom Group and Union Bank of Switzerland.

The X/Open User Council is responsible for specifying open systems requirements and priorities to other X/Open stakeholders -- member companies, system vendors and ISVs. The basis for determining these requirements is X/Open's Xtra market research process, whereby major computer systems users, as well as systems and software companies, have direct involvement in defining the open systems of the future. The User Council's input is highly valued and influences X/Open and member companies in product development and sales.

The Swedish Telecom Group is Sweden's largest investor and employs 50,000 people. Its areas of activity include voice and data communications services and products, cable TV, broadcast radio and mobile telecommunications.

The Union Bank of Switzerland is a $3.7 billion financial group with interests and offices throughout the world. The company spent approximately $150 million on mainframes, terminal systems, telecommunications and software in 1989.

Amdahl Corp. is a major supplier of large-scale, general-purpose mainframe computers, data storage subsystems and data communications products. With annual sales in excess of $2 billion, the company also develops software and provides educational and consulting services.

X/Open Company Ltd., founded in 1984, is an independent, non-profit corporation made up of international computer system vendors who are investing business, marketing and technical resources in the specification of the X/Open Portability Guide (XPG), a vendor- independent, open operating environment based on de facto and international standards. Specification of the XPG is

achieved through close cooperation with users, independent software vendors and standards organizaitons worldwide.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Wells Fargo & Co. (NYSE: WFC) today reported that earnings per share in the third quarter of 1990 were $3.03, an increase of 7 percent from $2.83 in the third quarter of 1989. Net income in the third quarter of 1990 totaled $162.6 million, an increase of 6 percent from $153.7 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings in the third quarter of 1990 benefited from an increase in net interest income, which resulted mostly from an increase in loans and lower funding costs. This increased net interest income was offset partially by higher non-interest expense.

Net interest income on a taxable-equivalent basis was $589.9 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $544 million a year ago. The company's net interest margin was 5.14 percent, compared with 4.96 percent a year ago.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $554.8 million, or $10.48 per share, compared with $442.6 million, or $8.07 per share, a year earlier.

Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 benefited from a $116.5 million pre-tax gain that resulted from the establishment of Wells Fargo Nikko Investment Advisors (WFNIA), Wells Fargo's joint venture with Nikko Securities Co. Ltd. Without the after-tax effect of the WFNIA gain, earnings for the first nine months of 1990 would have been $486.2 million, or $9.14 per share.

Return on average assets (ROA) was 1.26 percent and return on average common equity (ROE) was 21.93 percent in the third quarter of 1990, compared with 1.25 percent and 24.42 percent, respectively, a year ago.

Non-interest income in the third quarter of 1990 was $195.3 million, compared with $191.9 million a year ago. Non-interest expense totaled $426.4 million, compared with $393.4 million a year ago.

The provision for loan losses in the third quarter of 1990 was $75 million, compared with $75 million in the second quarter of 1990 and $82 million in the third quarter of 1989. Net charge-offs for the third quarter of 1990 totaled $45.8 million, or 0.41 percent of average loans. At Sept. 30, 1990, the allowance for loan losses equaled 1.90 percent of total loans.

The ratio of common equity to total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, was 5.54 percent

compared with 4.97 percent at Sept. 30, 1989; primary capital was 8.37 percent, compared with 8.09 percent; and total capital was 11.91 percent, compared with 11.94 percent.

In July, Wells Fargo entered into a definitive agreement with Great American Bank for the purchase of 130 branches in California, with $6.4 billion in deposits. Great American is headquartered in San Diego. The first stage of the acquisition is expected to be completed by the end of 1990.

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SPOKANE, Wash. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Golden State Capital Corp., manufacturer of the Future Flush(TM) water-saving device for toilets, announced today a Distributorship Agreement with Centurion International, an importer/exporter in Mexico City.

Con-Tech Industries has received governmental approval to sell Future Flush into Mexico and passed the Mexican federal research committee testing. In addition, a contract has been signed for the exclusive distribution of Future Flush to the Mexico City area. This contract, subject to a 30-day cancellation provision, requires a minimum purchase of over 500,000 units within the first 12 months, to be paid for upon delivery by letter of credit.

Future Flush is a dual flush mechanism that saves water in toilets and operates by separating the functions of removing liquid wastes and paper from the removal of solid wastes. This is accomplished by a dual-handle system. A shorter inset handle triggers a low-volume flush for liquids and paper while the longer handle initiates a full flush for solids.

Con-Tech Industries has signed documents with U.S., Canadian and Mexican Plumbing Products manufacturers to begin the development of Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) supplier relationships.

The company has also announced its entrance into the retail market with products in 300 regional and national stores and distribution centers, which represents availability of Future Flush in 36 states, three territories and two foreign countries. The most recent addition to the list of retail accounts is the sale of 15,000 units to Sam's Wholesale Clubs, a division of Wal-Mart, the largest retailer in the United States, and an order to Builders Square, a subsidiary of K-Mart. Future Flush is also available at participating Ace, True Value and Servistar dealers as well as Hardware Home Center Stores and United States Military Exchanges.

Future Flush has recently received approval by the International Association

of Plumbing Mechanical Officials (IAPMO), the agency in charge of writing various national and international plumbing and mechanical codes, and issuing its world-wide recognized stamp of approval - the UPC symbol or Uniform Plumbing Code stamp. In addition, Future Flush has passed tests independently conducted by the U.S. Testing Laboratories according to standards set for functional operation, durability and hydraulic performance. This makes Future Flush the first and only dual flush or water-saving device for toilets to receive an IAPMO listing and pass the test criteria as set forth in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) and the American National Standard Institute (ANSI) draft creating a national standard for dual flush devices for toilets.

In a move to coordinate the Future Flush product name with its manufacturing arm, Con-Tech Industries Inc., Golden State Capital Corp., a publicly held company, has approved a name change from Golden State Captial Corp. to Con-Tech Systems Inc. (OTC Bulletin Board).

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Forstmann & Company, Inc. has extended until 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on Tuesday, Oct. 16, 1990, the expiration date, withdrawal rights and proration period relating to its exchange offer for up to $60 million aggregate principal amount of the $100 million outstanding of its 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999 for an equal principal amount of its new split coupon (accrued interest) senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999.

The company is still discussing with Citibank, N.A. and its other lenders an extension of the maturity of its existing credit facility which expired on Oct. 12, 1990. In addition, the company did not make the interest payment due today on its outstanding 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes.

As of Oct. 15, 1990, approximately $145,000 in outstanding principal amount of 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes had been tendered for exchange and not withdrawn.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Garland P. Castleberry, the Federal Aviation Administration's southern region administrator, will cut a ribbon here on the morning of Oct. 30, sending aloft three six-foot balloons in front of the

Georgia International Convention & Trade Center.

He will officially open the Inter Airport '90 exhibition and conference program.

The balloons symbolize three pillars of the aviation industry's growing role in transportation:

1) Improved airport services for passenger satisfaction and security; 2) Greater cargo handling efficiency; 3) Higher standards of maintenance.

What this comes down to, according to Julia Milne, exhibition director of International Airport Exhibitions, is a global conference and exhibition inside and adjacent to the center, featuring hundreds of ground-support products and services that keep both the commercial airlines and general aviation aircraft flying safely and efficiently.

The products on display include big things like boarding bridges and baggage conveyors and carousels; powerful things like tow tractors, runway snowblowers and terminal and hangar construction equipment; critical things like maintenance tools and instruments, plane refuelers and de-icers, and lavatory servicing vehicles; deceptively simple-looking but highly engineered things like cargo containers and wheel chocks; high-tech things like communication systems -- and more.

The balloons will loft banners identifying the three major ground support groups being emphasized at Inter Airport '90, namely airport facilities, air cargo, and aircraft maintenance. Suppliers to these sectors began showcasing their respective innovations in 1983, at a joint exhibition in Frankfurt, Germany, organized by the U.K.-based company represented by Milne and by Heckmann GmbH, of Germany.

Because the United States has the largest ground-support industry of any country, Milne says, the annual exhibition was unveiled in Atlanta in 1988, and put on an alternate-year schedule with Frankfurt. And since FAA resources and policies play such an important role in international aviation, Castleberry agreed to launch this year's event -- and to provide the opening address and welcome some 147 exhibitors from nine countries in the world's air network.

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MIAMI (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T today announced it will donate computer equipment valued at nearly $1.2 million to the University of Miami for use in the university's medical school. When combined with other computer equipment

donated to the university in recent years, AT&T's gifts total more than $3 million.

"This grant of AT&T's latest technology, training and technical support provides researchers with badly needed additional computing power and networking capabilities for applying the latest technological advancements to the search for a better understanding of medical conditions and diseases, such as high risk pregnancies and AIDS," said Robert Rubin, Ph.D., vice provost for research at the University of Miami Medical School. "We are extremely grateful for AT&T's generosity."

The equipment includes a UNIX (A) networked computing platform for clinical research, involving AT&T Starlan -- an easy-to-install local network, AT&T 6386 SX UNIX WorkGroup Systems and AT&T 3B2 computers -- powerful midrange computers.

"This state-of-the-art computing equipment, when combined with the talent of researchers at the University of Miami, provides a tremendous research advantage," said Barry E. Johnson, regional manager of corporate affairs for AT&T. "Hopefully, these technological tools will allow university researchers to win the battle against deadly diseases."

The AT&T computers employ open standards and open architecture to allow systems integration to provide the university with a flexible research database. AT&T's computer donation is part of the company's University Equipment Donation Program, which will give $16.2 million in computer and data networking products to 52 colleges and universities across the United States. The program has been offered by AT&T since 1984.

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WICHITA, KS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Midwest, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: AMWI) has entered into an agreement with USAir to provide USAir Express service connecting its midwestern cities with Kansas City and Denver, beginning Jan. 15, 1991.

USAir Express service provided by Air Midwest will operate between Kansas City and 14 other smaller cities. At Kansas City connections will be available to USAir's 30 daily jet flights to other major cities throughout the nation.

Seven communities will be linked with Denver by the new USAir Express service. USAir has daily jet service between Denver and its three largest connecting hubs, Pittsburgh, Charlotte and Baltimore/Washington International.

Air Midwest currently operates 52 daily flights at Kansas City, more than any other carrier. At Denver, Air Midwest provides six daily flights.

Air Midwest will become the 10th regional airline to fly under the USAir Express name. Four are wholly-owned subsidiaries of USAir Group (NYSE: U), the parent firm of USAir, while the remainder are independent firms like Air Midwest which operate under contract.

USAir developed the concept of joint operating and marketing agreements with regional airlines in 1967 and has seen it subsequently emulated by most other major airlines.

The nine current USAir Express operators serve 133 airports across the USAir route system. In 1990 they will carry a total of approximately 6 million passengers.

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#90289p5162 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Mary Kay Corporation announced today that it had extended to midnight, Oct. 16, the period during which the holders of its 15 percent discount debentures could consent to certain proposed amendments to the terms of the debentures and receive a cash payment of $10 per $1,000 principal amount of debentures.

The consent solicitation is being made in connection with Mary Kay's offer to purchase at par up to 64 percent of its outstanding debentures, which commenced Sept. 28. The company also extended to midnight, Oct. 16, the period during which tendered bonds would be given priority for purchase in the tender offer. Both the solicitation period and the priority period were previously scheduled to expire at midnight on Oct. 15. The tender offer remains scheduled to expire at midnight on Oct. 30.

The tender offer is conditioned, among other things, upon the receipt of all the necessary financing and the consent of the holders of a majority of the outstanding debentures to the proposed amendments. The tender offer is not conditioned on any minimum amount of debentures being tendered.

Dewe Rogerson Inc. is acting as information agent for the company in the tender offer.

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MENASHA, WI (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Wisconsin Tissue, a wholly owned subsidiary of Chesapeake Corp. (NYSE: CSK), will celebrate the completion of its Eagle II expansion with a dedication ceremony today.

The $160 million expansion is the largest single expenditure in the history of Wisconsin Tissue and Chesapeake Corp.

Honored guests expected at the dedication include: Tommy Thompson, governor of Wisconsin; Michael Ellis, state senate minority leader; David Prosser, state assembly minority leader; Bob Trunzo, head of the state department of development in Madison, Wis.; and Jim Asmuth, former president of Wisconsin Tissue and member of the founding family.

Carter Fox, president and chief executive officer of Chesapeake, will also be attending. Other representatives from Chesapeake include: Paul Dresser Jr., executive vice president and chief financial officer; Fred Ernst, executive vice president and president, West Point Operations; J.P. Causey Jr., vice president, secretary and general counsel; Tom Smith, vice president - human resources and assistant secretary; and Frank Royal, George Mueller and John Hoyt Stookey, members of Chesapeake's board of directors.

The multi-phase Eagle II project expanded Wisconsin Tissue's converting, distribution, storage areas, water plant, wastepaper recycling facilities and added a fourth paper machine.

June 24 marked the early completion of the expansion with the start-up of the No. 4 paper machine. The project was originally scheduled to be completed in December. Wisconsin Tissue's production capability will increase by approximately 80,000 tons annually.

The first phase of the Eagle II project was completed in April of 1989, when an addition to the Automatic Storage and Retrieval System (AS/RS) began. This computerized distribution center utilizes the most advanced technology in the industry. Additional storage cranes and automated guide vehicles help Wisconsin Tissue process the increased flow of converted products.

Wisconsin Tissue offers more than 2,500 quality tissue products including napkins, facial tissue, toilet tissue, toweling, placemats, tray covers, tablecovers and wipers.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - A&W Brands, Inc. (NASDAQ: SODA), today announced net earnings of $2,894,000 or $.32 per share, on net sales of $33,318,000 for the three-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990. In the third quarter of 1989, A&W reported net earnings of $2,446,000 or $.26 per share, on net sales of $31,880,000. Operating cash flow for the third quarter of 1990 was $6,594,000 compared with $6,238,000 in the third quarter of last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, A&W reported net earnings of $8,782,000 or $.96 per share, on net sales of $94,616,000. For the same period in 1989, A&W reported net income of $7,199,000 or $.78 per share, on net sales of $87,710,000. Operating cash flow for the first three quarters of 1990 was $21,298,000 compared with $20,439,000 for the same period of 1989.

"Our 1990 third quarter sales show a continuation of steady growth increasing 5 percent over the comparable 1989 period," said M.L. Lowenkron, president and chief executive officer. "On the strength of these sales, our net earnings of $2,894,000 were 18 percent higher than our third quarter of 1989.

"For our domestic business, bottler-reported sales grew 4 percent with concentrate shipments up 2 percent. While conversion to a new bottler system in New York hurt third quarter sales, recent trends in that market are quite positive and we expect full benefits from the relicensing in 1991."

Lowenkron continued, "Our international bottlers report continued sales increases during the third quarter while shipments, due to the timing between quarters, were soft. For the nine months of 1990 our international business remains a robust 28 percent ahead of last year."

"The company's strong cash flow enabled us to repay $8.5 million of senior debt in the third quarter," added Lowenkron. "Additionally, the company repurchased the 1,800,000 shares outstanding of its Class A senior preferred stock ($1.00 par value) for $1,710,000 with the seller waiving accrued and unpaid dividends (effective repurchase rate, 92.5 percent)."

Lowenkron concluded, "The company is extremely pleased with its nine-month results. We strengthened our distribution in two key markets (New York and Florida) and we maintained our growth purely on the strength of our base businesses. We expect 1990 to be another successful year and for 1991 our brands are well-positioned for growth in new and existing markets. Adding to our bright outlook is our strong balance sheet which provides the company with broad investment opportunities."

A&W Brands, Inc., headquartered in White Plains, markets nine soft drinks in five flavor categories. The brands include A&W Root Beer, diet A&W Root Beer, A&W Cream Soda, A&W diet Cream Soda, Squirt, Diet Squirt, Vernors, diet Vernors and Country Time Lemonade in ready-to- drink form.

A&W BRANDS, INC.

Actual Operating Results
(In thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	July 1 to Sept. 30 Third Quarter		Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 Nine Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$33,318	$31,880	$94,616	$87,710
Gross Profit	27,187	25,589	76,458	70,007
Operating Income	5,408	5,092	17,843	16,425
Earnings Before Taxes	4,655	3,902	14,468	11,687
Net Earnings	$ 2,894	$ 2,446	$ 8,782	$ 7,199
Net Earnings Per Share (A)	$ 0.32	$ 0.26	$ 0.96	$ 0.78
Average Shares Outstanding	9,082	9,057	9,072	9,049
Operating Cash Flows:				
Operating Income	$ 5,408	$ 5,092	$17,843	$16,425
Amortization	980	998	2,941	2,981
Depreciation	158	110	448	331
Other Non-Cash Charges	48	38	66	702
Operating Cash Flow	$ 6,594	$ 6,238	$21,298	$20,439

(A) -- In September 1990, the company bought all preferred shares outstanding and the preferred shareholders waived their rights to receive accrued and unpaid dividends. Preferred dividends were payable semi-annually, May 31 and Nov. 30.

Accordingly, in computing net earnings per share for the third quarter 1990, net earnings was not affected by preferred dividends as compared to third quarter 1989 whereby net earnings was reduced by $36,000 for scheduled dividend payments.

In computing net earnings per share for the nine month period 1990, net earnings was reduced by scheduled dividend payments of $60,000 as compared to $108,000 for the same period 1989.

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AKRON, OH (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The BFGoodrich Company's (NYSE: GR) third quarter net income increased 26 percent to $50.6 million from $40.1 million last year. Earnings per share were $1.91, compared with $1.50 a year ago. Sales increased 6 percent to $634.5 million, from $601.3 million in the previous third quarter.

The increased earnings reflected the favorable net effect of these previously announced one-time items:

-- The resolution of a tax issue with the Internal Revenue Service, which reduced tax expense and benefited net income by $30.8 million.

-- The sale of the company's off-highway braking systems business, which increased Aerospace business segment operating income by $4.7 million and net income by $3.7 million.

-- A charge related to the closing of two vinyl resin production operations in Canada. This reduced operating income for the Geon Vinyl segment by $15.2 million and lowered net income by $9.5 million.

Excluding these unusual items, net income from continuing operations totaled $25.6 million or 93 cents a share, compared with $39.1 million or $1.46 per share in the 1989 quarter. Earnings gains in the Specialty Chemicals and Aerospace business segments were more than offset by a decline in the Geon Vinyl Products segment.

BFG's Geon Vinyl Products business segment reported operating income for the quarter of $1.5 million, including the previously reported charge ($15.2 million pretax) for closing two resin operations in Canada. The reduction in operating income compared with the third quarter of 1989 was also due to lower margins. The beneficial effect of higher volumes and lower raw material prices was more than offset by lower selling prices.

Currently, raw material prices are increasing due to the Middle East crisis. The company is attempting to offset these increases through increased product pricing. Compared to the second quarter, third quarter results were hurt by both higher raw material costs and the effects of a reduction in finished goods inventories.

Operating profits for Specialty Chemicals were up 10 percent to $26.7 million on sales of $220.3 million, an increase of 14 percent. Strong performances by several businesses, including hydrophilic additives, latex products and Tremco's Swiggle Strip tape, adhesives and domestic roofing businesses were partially offset by a decline in polymer chemicals.

Aerospace operating income totaled $20.4 million, including the previously announced gain ($4.7 million pretax) from the off-highway braking systems sale. Excluding this gain, operating profits increased about 5 percent. The evacuation systems and instruments and avionics businesses and Tramco, the company's aircraft maintenance, repair and overhaul business, all reported strong results. Results from Aerospace's largest single unit, commercial wheels and brakes, were weaker than in past quarters because of reduced demand for replacement parts. Also, income from the operation of the off-highway braking systems unit was less than last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, BFGoodrich's net income totaled $122.2

million or $4.57 per share, compared with $145.4 million or $5.50 per share in 1989. Results for 1990 include a $20.5 million after-tax gain related to the purchase of The Uniroyal Goodrich Tire Company by Michelin. BFG-owned warrants to purchase equity in Uniroyal Goodrich and surrendered those warrants when Michelin purchased Uniroyal Goodrich in May.

Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $1.86 billion, compared with $1.85 billion a year ago.

BFGoodrich produces vinyl resins and compounds, specialty chemicals and provides aerospace components and services.

The following table summarizes sales and income results for BFGoodrich and for the company's business segments for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990. It compares them with results for the same periods in 1989.

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FONTANA, CA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The financial excesses of the 1980s will be partially remedied for nearly 7,000 retired steel workers on Oct. 16 when Kaiser Steel Resources Inc. re-enters the public stock market. The company will be listed on NASDAQ under the symbol "KSRI." This is the latest move for the company, the restructured successor to Kaiser Steel Corp., which emerged from Chapter 11 bankruptcy in 1988.

The company, founded during World War II by industrialist Henry J. Kaiser, succumbed to increased foreign competition and stopped producing steel in the early 1980s. Like many companies, Kaiser became caught up in the financial whirlwind of the 1980s. After an unsuccessful leveraged buyout and debt-for-equity exchange offer, the company filed for Chapter 11 in 1987. The bankruptcy left in jeopardy the medical benefits of thousands of Kaiser retirees. Now, nearly four years after the company filed for bankruptcy, the new Kaiser Resources Voluntary Employees Beneficiary Association (VEBA) Trust, Kaiser's largest shareholder (48 percent) will have a chance to continue to provide medical benefits to its nearly 7,000 participants.

Houlihan, Lokey, Howard & Zukin provides financial advisory services to companies of all sizes. These services include fair market value, fairness, and solvency opinions that are provided for the purposes of mergers and acquisitions, restructurings, ESOPs, estate taxes, and litigation. The firm also provides investment banking services to middle-market companies. These services include mergers and acquisitions, structuring and financing management and ESOP leveraged buyouts, private placements, corporate partnering, and restructuring troubled companies. Houlihan Lokey has offices

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Radius Inc. (NASDAQ: RDUS) today announced the Radius Pivot(TM) IIsi Interface and the Radius Two Page Display(TM) IIsi Interface; two new products for the Apple Macintosh IIsi. Current Radius products announced as compatible with the new Apple CPU include the Radius Color Display(TM), the Radius Gray Scale/Color Interface(TM), the Radius DirectColor(TM) Series of Interfaces and the Radius PrecisionColor(TM) Calibrator.

New Radius business productivity products for the Macintosh IIsi include interface cards for the Radius Pivot and the Radius Two Page Display. The Radius Pivot is the only display for the Macintosh that provides both portrait (vertical) and landscape (horizontal) orientation in a single display. To accommodate the new Macintosh IIsi slot structure, all Radius Pivot IIsi interface cards will be bundled with an 030 Direct Slot Adapter card eliminating the need to purchase the Apple Direct Slot Adapter card.

The Radius Two Page Display/19 and Two Page Display/21 provide a flicker-free, two full page view. The flat-screen technology, superior geometry and calibration capabilities of the Two Page Display/21 make it the premier visual computing system for business productivity and publishing. Radius Two Page Display Interfaces for the Macintosh IIsi will also be bundled with an 030 Direct Slot Adapter providing IIsi compatibility and eliminating the need for the Apple Direct Slot Adapter.

The Radius DirectColor/GX Interface is a particularly attractive component for a Macintosh IIsi system. Configured with an Apple 13" RGB Color Monitor and the Apple NuBus adapter card, the Radius DirectColor/GX provides an accelerated 24-bit solution that includes NTSC rate RGB output. The Macintosh IIsi on-board video does not provide 24-bits and is not accelerated.

The Macintosh IIsi, Radius PrecisionColor Calibrator, Radius Color Display and a Radius Gray Scale/Color Interface are the core elements of an entry level Radius visual computing system. For those who require an upgrade path, the Radius DirectColor/8 Interface may be substituted for the Radius Gray Scale/Color Interface. When used with a Radius Gray Scale or Color System, the Radius PrecisionColor Calibrator provides color accuracy, consistency and display calibration. An Apple Desktop Bus (ADB) device, the PrecisionColor Calibrator is a logical choice for a Macintosh IIsi system.

The single slot architecture of the Macintosh IIsi precludes the configuration of multiple NuBus cards in a system design. Macintosh platforms suitable for

more demanding visual computing applications are the powerful, six-slot Macintosh IIfx and the recently price reduced three-slot IIci. Radius system products optimized for the Macintosh IIfx and IIci platforms include the Radius QuickColor Graphics Engine which provides graphics acceleration, the Radius QuickCAD Graphic Engine for computer-aided design and RadiusTV, an integrated computer/television subsystem. Price and Availability

The Radius Pivot IIsi Interface carries a suggested list price of $695. The Radius Two Page Display IIsi Interface lists for $595. Both are available immediately. The Radius Gray Scale/Color Interface is currently shipping at a suggested list price of $1,395, while the upgradable Radius DirectColor/8 Interface, also currently shipping, lists for $1,895. The Radius DirectColor/GX Interface for the Apple 13" RGB Color Monitor lists for $1,095. The DirectColor/GX has been shipping since July. The Radius Color Display lists for $4,295, while the Radius PrecisionColor Calibrator carries a suggested list of $695.

Radius Inc. is the leading supplier of high performance visual computing systems for personal computers. Radius products are available through a worldwide network of Radius Authorized Resellers and System Integrators. Public since August 1990, Radius trades under the NASDAQ symbol RDUS.

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ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Distributed Logic Corp. (NASDAQ: DLOG) announced today it has been granted an unlimited VAXBI license by Digital Equipment Corp., (NYSE: DEC).

The license permits DILOG to employ Digital's VAXBI interconnect technology in host computer adapters used for attaching disk and tape storage subsystems to Digital Equipment computer systems.

The first product to be marketed under the new agreement is DILOG's RTS 3480 series of IBM 3480-compatible cartridge tape subsystems, for use with high performance VAX computer systems. They package one or two tape drives with a DILOG VAXBI tape controller to provide as much as four gigabytes of formatted data storage capacity per subsystem, for high speed, high capacity and high reliability disk backup operations. The new subsystems use industry standard IBM 3480 and DEC TA90-compatible half-inch tape media.

The RTS 3480 tape units give users of VAX 6000, VAX 8000 and VAX 9000 systems new configuration flexibility for use in both clustered and non-clustered applications. In addition to providing the only VAXBI access to 3480 technology, they offer higher speed and greater capacity at lower cost than any other system on the market. They can handle disk backup applications at

speeds from five to nine times faster than typical 4mm or 8mm cartridge tape subsystems.

DILOG will introduce additional products that utilize the VAXBI bus during the next few months, Wilson added.

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ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Odetics (AMEX: OA, OB) today announces the sale of a TCS2000 large library management video cart machine with two-external MII-format VTRs and expansion tower to WXYZ-TV, an ABC affiliate serving the Detroit, Mich. market. The Odetics Cart Machine is a computerized system that manages, records and plays-to-air all forms of spots and programs.

The External VTR Controller is a combination hardware and software package that allows the Cart Machine to control and switch VTRs that are external to the Cart Machine. The Library Expansion Module multiplies the TCS2000 on-line capacity to several day's worth of events.

WXYZ, owned by Scripps Howard Broadcasting Co., (NASDAQ: SCRP), maintains a heavy schedule of news operations on a local level. The TCS2000, which replaces WXYZ's current TCR100 two-inch cartridge system, will be used immediately in commercial spot playback and ultimately in program playback.

Celebrating its 21st year, Anaheim-based Odetics is a leading manufacturer of large library management video cart systems. There are more than 115 Odetics large library management cart machines playing directly to air throughout the world.

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#90289p5185 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, N.J. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Bristol-Myers Squibb Company Inc. (NYSE: BMY) and the Liposome Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: LIPO) announced today the initiation of Phase II clinical trials with Amphotericin B Lipid Complex (ABLC) for cryptococcal meningitis, a potentially life-threatening fungal infection that attacks AIDS and other immunocompromised patients.

The cryptococcal meningitis studies will involve 120 patients at 15 major AIDS centers in the United States. The first patients have already been treated with ABLC.

"We are gratified to see this important expansion of Bristol-Myers Squibb's clinical studies with ABLC," said Charles A. Baker, chairman and chief executive officer of the Liposome Company. "We believe that ABLC will be an important new drug for treating the opportunistic fungal infections that attack both AIDS and cancer patients."

ABLC is a proprietary new drug formulated with amphotericin B in a lipid complex. In pre-clinical studies, ABLC has been shown to have acute toxicity levels that are eight to 20 times lower than conventional amphotericin B. This enhanced margin of safety is expected to allow the administration of much higher doses of ABLC than are possible with conventional amphotericin B.

Bristol-Myers Squibb also has undertaken ongoing studies using ABLC against coccidioidomycosis, a serious fungal infection which occurs in both immune-suppressed and normal patients. Additional large studies in the treatment of disseminated candidiasis and invasive pulmonary aspergillosis, other opportunistic fungal infections common in cancer and organ transplant patients, are also planned.

In addition to offering hope for many patients suffering from systemic fungal infections, the ABLC project is a landmark in the development of lipid-based drugs. ABLC is being regularly produced in 150-liter batches in a plant in New Brunswick, N.J., designed by the two companies and operated by Bristol-Myers Squibb with assistance from the Liposome Company. The joint effort is believed to be the first time lipid complexes or liposomes have been produced successfully on large- scale equipment.

"We're excited about this opportunity for our two firms to work together on a project of so important a nature," said Dr. Zola P. Horovitz, vice president, licensing, Bristol-Myers Squibb.

The Liposome Company has licensed worldwide marketing rights for ABLC to Bristol-Myers Squibb, which is funding the research and joint manufacturing development work. Bristol-Myers Squibb is responsible for conducting all ABLC clinical trials and for registering the drug with regulatory authorities around the world.

The largest company dedicated exclusively to the development of liposome-based pharmaceuticals, the Liposome Company is primarily focused on developing advanced liposomal drugs for the treatment of cancer and serious infectious diseases.

Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, with headquarters in New York, is a global leader in the development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceutical, allied healthcare, consumer and nutritional products.

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#90289p5187 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
PURCHASE, NY (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Nestle Foods Corporation and K mart Corporation (NYSE: KM) are announcing their Second Annual "Feeding America's Hungry" Event to support the Second Harvest National Food Bank Network. The event will take place the week of Nov. 4. It will be announced on Nov. 4 in all K mart stores, and in a full page, 4 color ad in USA Today on Nov. 5.

As a result of last year's "Feeding America's Hungry" program, Nestle and K mart contributed $30,000 to Second Harvest. This Thanksgiving season, consumers will once again be asked to visit K mart stores the week of Nov. 4 to purchase six-packs of Nestle Confections including Nestle Crunch, Butterfinger, Baby Ruth, Milk Chocolate, Milk Chocolate with Almonds, Alpine White with Almonds, Raisinets, and Chunky, as well as Nestle Toll House Semi-sweet chocolate morsels, Butterscotch morsels, Milk Chocolate morsels, and the new Merry Morsels. For every purchase, 5 cents (up to 600,000 purchases) will be donated by Nestle Foods and K mart to the Second Harvest National Food Bank Network.

"We are very pleased to be in partnership with Nestle for the second year, especially knowing how far last year's contribution went," commented Don Williams, K mart buyer. "Our $30,000 donation resulted in $4,140,000 worth of food being distributed through the Second Harvest Network of 200 food banks in 46 states."

"This donation reached nearly 40,000 soup kitchens, church pantries, senior centers, shelters, day care centers and other non-profit agencies throughout the country," remarked Joseph C. Dobson, K mart buyer.

According to Dorothy Stowell, Nestle Foods national account manager, this year promises even greater success. "We are confident that K mart customers will help us once again this Thanksgiving season to reach out to those less fortunate."

K mart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. K mart, currently operating over 2,300 K mart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse Clubs and the Sports Authority.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - IMRE Corp. (NASDAQ: IMRE) today announced

completion of a $2.6 million private placement arranged by Allen & Co. Inc. The proceeds will be used for clinical trials to secure approval for additional indications for its PROSORBA(R) column and for working capital. Release of the funds to the company is subject, among other things, to approval of an increase in the number of authorized shares of the company at its annual shareholders meeting on Nov. 9.

IMRE Corp. is a Seattle-based medical products company that is considered a pioneer and the leader in the field of immunoadsorption, a process of treating a diseased patient's blood outside the body. The company's first product, the PROSORBA column, has been approved for commercial distribution by the Food and Drug Administration for treatment of idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura, an immune-related bleeding disorder.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - CoreStates Financial Corp (NASDAQ: CSFN) today reported net income applicable to common stock of $62,672,000 or $1.15 per share for the third quarter and $185,230,000 or $3.39 per share for the first nine months of 1990.

The third quarter earnings reflected a return on average assets of 1.10 percent and a return on average common equity of 16.89 percent.

Normalized net income applicable to common stock for the first nine months of 1989 was $3.22 per share. The 1989 quarterly and nine month results reflecting the March 5, 1990, acquisition of First Pennsylvania Corp., accounted for as a pooling of interests.

On a formally restated basis, also reflecting the retroactive adoption of FAS 96, Accounting for Income Taxes, 1989 results were $1.15 per share for the quarter and $3.89 per share for nine months. The effect of the FAS 96 adoption is to recognize in 1989's results previously unbooked First Pennsylvania tax benefits.

Non-performing assets increased from $264.3 million at June 30 to $318.5 million at Sept. 30 with most of the increase in the real estate sector. International non-performing loans were reduced from $46.2 million to $44.4 million, which is less than the current market value of the loans.

The increase in domestic non-performing assets brought that total to $274.1 million, or approximately 1.2 percent of total assets.

Net charge-offs for the quarter were $34.0 million, of which approximately $13.7 million were in real estate loans. The loan loss provision was

increased to $39.5 million from $30.5 million in the first quarter and $30.6 million in the second quarter. As a result of the increased provision, the loan loss reserve grew to $232.2 million, or 1.33 percent of total loans.

Consolidated total assets at Sept. 30 were $23.3 billion, including consolidated net loans of $17.4 billion. Consolidated total deposits were $15.4 billion, and common shareholders' equity was $1.5 billion at the end of the quarter.

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WILMINGTON, DE (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) and Merck & Co. Inc. (NYSE: MRK), have signed the principal agreements to establish The Du Pont Merck Pharmaceutical Co.

Execution of ancillary agreements is expected before the end of the year, with operations of the new company to begin Jan. 1.

Merck and Du Pont on July 25 announced they had signed a letter of intent to create an independent, research-driven, worldwide pharmaceutical firm.

Du Pont will contribute its pharmaceutical and radiopharmaceutical imaging agents businesses to the joint venture. Merck will provide research and development expertise, development funds, certain marketing rights to several of its prescription medicines, international industry expertise, and cash. The company's product line will be marketed under the DuPont Pharmaceuticals trade name.

When it begins operations, The Du Pont Merck Pharmaceutical Co. will have a research staff of about 1,500, including more than 400 doctoral- level scientists, a first-year research and development budget of $230 million, a professional sales staff of 600 people, and first-year sales of an estimated $700 million.

Joseph A. Mollica will be president and chief executive officer of the new company. Mollica is vice president-medical products for Du Pont, with responsibility for its pharmaceutical business.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - H.H. Robertson Co. (NYSE: RHH) today said that it is not aware of any undisclosed corporate developments that would be responsible for recent market activity.

H.H. Robertson Co. fully expects the previously reported merger with Ceco Industries Inc. and the investment by Frontera S.A. of $38.75 million of new equity in the combined company to be completed after the special meeting of stockholders scheduled for Nov. 8., 1990.

H.H. Robertson Co. and Ceco Industries Inc. each will report a net profit for the third quarter of 1990, and the combined entity is expected to report a net profit for the fourth quarter of 1990, according to Jack Hatcher, chairman and chief executive officer of H.H. Robertson Co.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Mellon Bank Corp. (NYSE: MEL) today reported net income of $66 million, or $1.19 per common share, for the third quarter of 1990, compared with net income of $63 million, or $1.16 per common share, in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, Mellon earned $199 million, or $3.64 per common share, excluding a second quarter gain of $74 million on the sale of the corporation's consumer finance company. This compares with income, before extraordinary gains, of $175 million, or $3.47 per common share, in the first nine months of 1989.

Service fee revenue for the third quarter of 1990 was $162 million, compared with $160 million in the third quarter of 1989. The corporation lost $2 million in its trading activities in the third quarter of 1990, compared with trading revenue of $4 million in the prior year period. Other revenue for the quarter was $10 million, compared with $40 million in the third quarter of 1989, when the corporation realized a $27 million gain on the sale of Mellon InvestData Corp. Operating expense for the quarter was $282 million, compared with $269 million in the third quarter of 1989. The increase from the prior year primarily reflected the effect of the PSFS acquisition.

The provision for credit losses was $45 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $65 million in the third quarter of 1989, when the corporation provided $30 million for loans to certain Lesser Developed Countries. Net credit losses totaled $41 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $145 million in the third quarter of 1989, which included $110 million of net

credit losses on LDC loans.

Nonperforming assets were $705 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $603 million at June 30, 1990, primarily reflecting an increase in nonperforming real estate assets of $86 million. Slightly more than half of that increase resulted from an examination of the corporation's real estate lending operations completed during the quarter by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

Annualized return on assets and return on common equity were .85 percent and 15.29 percent, respectively, in the third quarter of 1990, compared with .80 percent and 17.48 percent, respectively, in the third quarter of 1989.

With assets of $29.4 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, Mellon Bank Corp. is one of the largest bank holding companies in the United States. Through its subsidiaries, it provides wholesale, middle market and retail banking, as well as numerous service products including trust and investment, cash management and financial data processing.

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NASHVILLE, TENN. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Metropolitan Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ-NMS: MFTN), through its Board of Directors, announced today that it has entered into an agreement with the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) in Cincinnati. As a a result of previously announced negotiations with the OTS, the Association has consented to an order to cease and desist which compels the Association to observe in the future certain lending restrictions.

These restrictions apply to the further extension of credit in the areas of (1) land acquistion, development and commercial construction loans, (2) letters of credit, (3) joint ventures, (4) multifamily loans when the aggregate indebtedness by the borrower to Metropolitan Federal exceeds $1.0 million, (5) commercial loans when the aggregate indebtedness by the borrower to Metropolitan Federal exceeds $500,000, and (6) commercial real estate loans when the aggregate indebtedness by the borrower to Metropolitan Federal exceeds $1.0 million. In addition, Metropolitan Federal has agreed not to increase the total amount of its commercial loans and commercial real estate loans above the amount reported at September 30, 1990.

Edwin W. Moats, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Metropolitan Federal, noted that many of the steps being required by the OTS have already been independently implemented by the Association, and that the Association is

in concurrence with the OTS in taking all necessary steps in an effort to reduce its level of nonperforming assets and to otherwise minimize the risk in its portfolio. Realizing that maintaining viability depends on a reduction in nonperforming assets, internal procedures have been designed to strengthen underwriting and internal loan review, and the division that manages nonperforming assets has been enlarged.

Metropolitan Federal also announced today that because of continuing deterioration in the real estate markets, preliminary information indicates that the Association will experience a substantial increase in its nonperforming assets and a sizeable loss for the quarter ended September 30, 1990, primarily as a result of additional reserves for possible loan losses and reduced net interest income. Until final results are complete, Metropolitan Federal indicated the exact amounts cannot be determined but estimated that the loss could reach $13 million. Adjustments to this figure can be expected upon release of final September 30 results.

Moats also noted that as of June 30, 1990, Metropolitan Federal remained in compliance with current regulatory capital requirements with a tangible capital to asset ratio of 3.7 percent, against a minimum requirement of 1.5 percent, a core capital ratio of 5.1 percent against a minimum requirement of 3 percent, and a risk-based capital ratio of 7.0 percent, with the current minimum requirement being 6.4 percent. However, Moats added that because of the expected loss for the first quarter, the Association is unlikely to continue to comply with the risk-based capital requirement. In addition, the OTS has announced its intention to increase the current minimum core capital requirements in line with recent actions taken by commercial bank regulators.

In the event of noncompliance with the minimum capital requirements, Metropoilitan Federal will be required to submit a capital plan to the OTS which would result in additional restrictions on lending activities other than residential lending.

Metropolitan Federal, Tennessee's largest publicly-traded savings and loan with 19 offices, operates throughout the state. Metropolitan Federal's common stock is traded on the over-the-counter market in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol MFTN.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Jack Moseley, chairman of USF&G Corporation (NYSE: FG) and president of United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, issued a response today to a report published by Public Citizen, a consumer

organization, suggesting that five large insurance companies, including USF&G, were "potentially vulnerable to severe economic downturn."

Moseley called the report "irresponsible in the worst extreme" and pointed out that "in 1989 USF&G passed all 11 early warning financial ratio tests of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

These tests - as opposed to the analysis used by Public Citizen - are the traditional benchmarks utilized to evaluate insurance company solvency. USF&G continues to maintain high ratings from A.M. Best and other well-recognized rating agencies with expertise in the insurance industry."

Baltimore-based United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company is the principal subsidiary of USF&G Corporation. USF&G Corporation is composed of subsidiaries engaged in writing property/casualty and life insurance and in the sale of financial services.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The E.W. Scripps Company (NASDAQ: EWSCA) today reported third quarter net income of $17.4 million vs. $18 million in the year ago quarter. Net income per share was 23 cents, the same as a year ago.

Consolidated operating income was up 4.7 percent to $48.1 million, and operating cash flow (operating income plus depreciation and amortization) increased 4.7 percent to $75.1 million.

"Despite a very difficult advertising revenue environment, we were able to produce an improvement in operating income and operating cash flow," said Lawrence A. Leser, president and CEO of The E.W. Scripps Company. "Contributing to the improvement was a strong increase in cable television income, the result of our investments earlier this year to improve market penetration.

"The advertising slump continues to hinder progress at the newspapers, but our broadcast group performed well, especially in the Fox Network markets," Leser said.

Publishing Operating income declined 14.5 percent to $28.8 million and operating cash flow was off 9.7 percent to $37 million, primarily the result of weak newspaper advertising revenues. Also affecting operating income was a 6.9 percent increase in costs for newsprint and ink, to $33.1 million, and a decline in operating income from character licensing.

Publishing's depreciation and amortization increased 13.0 percent to $8.2 million due to the completion of new production facilities for The Evansville Courier and Denver's Rocky Mountain News, and the acquisition of Sundance Publishing in the fourth quarter of 1989.

Total publishing division revenues improved 3.8 percent to $212 million. Total newspaper advertising increased 1.2 percent to $129 million. Broken down by source:
-- Local decreased 0.5 percent to $58.9 million;
-- Classified increased 1.6 percent to $47.2 million;
-- Preprints increased 0.3 percent to $15.1 million;
-- National increased 15.2 percent to $7.8 million.

Newspaper circulation revenues improved 4 percent to $35.7 million and character licensing decreased 15 percent to $15 million.

Broadcasting Operating income improved 43 percent to $14.1 million and operating cash flow was up 24.9 percent to $17.9 million. Total operating costs were up only 2.1 percent, to $41 million. Depreciation and amortization decreased 15.2 percent to $3.8 million.

Revenues increased 10.2 percent to $55.2 million. Ratings and revenues continue to improve at the Fox Network affiliates in Tampa, Phoenix and Kansas City. Also boosting revenues in the quarter was a $1.6 million increase in political advertising.

Cable television Operating income from cable television increased 59.4 percent to $8.1 million and operating cash flow moved up 21.1 percent to $22.8 million. Total operating expenses increased 7.3 percent to $42.5 million.

Revenues were up 13.3 percent to $50.6 million on strong subscriber growth. The company's total subscriber base has grown 10.5 percent in the last year. Basic subscribers at Sept. 30 totaled 595,600, an increase of 19,900 in the quarter and 56,700 in the last 12 months. At the Sacramento system, 9,500 subscribers were added in the third quarter and 24,900 in the past 12 months for a total of 188,600.

Year-to-date Net income declined 53.7 percent to $27 million, including a non-recurring pre-tax charge of $36.4 million which reduced net income by $23.7 million, or 31 cents per share. Excluding the charge, net income decreased 13.1 percent to $50.6 million, and net income per share declined 10.8 percent to 66 cents per share.

The charge, announced June 8, is related to payments the company will make to Persis Corporation as a result of an agreement to terminate joint operations between the company's Knoxville News-Sentinel and The Knoxville Journal, owned by Persis. Under the joint operating agreement, which will terminate in

December 1991, the News-Sentinel provides sales, production and distribution for The Journal.

Consolidated operating income, excluding the charge, decreased 5.1 percent to $138 million, reflecting a decline in operating income from the publishing division. Consolidated revenues increased 3.4 percent to $951 million. Revenues from publishing, broadcasting and cable television increased in the first nine months.

Operating cash flow, excluding the charge, was down slightly to $220 million.

The E.W. Scripps Company is a diversified media company which operates 19 daily newspapers, nine television stations, five radio stations and cable television systems with 595,500 basic subscribers. The company also is a worldwide syndicator and licensor of news features and comics, including "Peanuts" and "Garfield."

The E.W. Scripps Company

	Three months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
	(in thousands, except per share amounts)	
Revenues:		
Publishing	$212,378	$204,665
Broadcasting	55,164	50,051
Cable television	50,612	44,688
Other	3,540	4,850
Total revenues	321,694	304,254
Operating income (loss):		
Publishing	28,791	33,685
Broadcasting	14,142	9,889
Cable television	8,109	5,088
Other	374	662
Corporate	(3,302)	(3,378)
Total operating income	48,114	45,946
Interest expense	(10,632)	(10,062)
Miscellaneous income (exp)	977	(708)
Income taxes	(18,848)	(15,421)
Minority interests	(2,195)	(1,714)
Net income	17,416	18,041
Net income per share of common stock	$.23	$.23
Weighted average shares o/s (000s)	76,522	78,751

	Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
	(in thousands, except per share amounts)	
Revenues:		
Publishing	$625,027	$616,330
Broadcasting	168,760	159,890

Cable television	145,936	131,102
Other	11,328	12,734
Total revenues	$951,051	$920,056
Operating income (loss):		
Publishing	47,724(A)	101,547
Broadcasting	45,328	37,546
Cable television	18,124	15,381
Other	1,044	1,888
Corporate	(10,883)	(11,247)
Total operating income	101,337	145,115
Interest expense	(33,167)	(32,616)
Miscellaneous income (exp)	2,209	103
Income taxes	(37,416)	(48,869)
Minority interests	(5,984)	(5,439)
Net Income	$26,979	$58,294
Net income per share of common stock	$.35	$.74
Weighted average shares o/s (000s)	76,511	78,748

(A) -- Includes $36.4 million charge associated with the termination of the joint operating agreement between the News-Sentinel and the Journal in Knoxville. The charge reduced net income by $23.7 ($.31 per share).

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY
Unaudited Revenue and Statistical Summary
Period: September
Report date: October 16, 1990

	September (A)		
	1990	1989	Pct Change
REVENUE (000,000s)			
Local	$20.2	$20.4	(1.0)
Classified	15.8	15.1	4.6
National	2.6	2.3	13.0
Preprints	5.3	4.7	12.8
Newspaper advertising	43.9	42.5	3.3
Circulation	12.2	11.2	8.9
Other publishing(B)	15.8	13.9	13.7
PUBLISHING	71.9	67.6	6.4
BROADCASTING	18.8	17.8	5.6
CABLE TELEVISION	17.1	15.1	13.2
OTHER	1.0	1.7	(41.2)
CONSOLIDATED	$108.8	$102.2	6.5
Newspaper ad inches (000s)			
Local	797	844	(5.6)
Classified	1,005	1,018	(1.3)
National	57	53	7.5
Full run ROP	1,859	1,915	(2.9)
Part run ROP	113	91	24.2

Total	1,972	2,006	(1.7)
Cable TV basic subs (000s)			
Sacramento, CA	188.6	163.7	
Other systems	407.0	375.2	
Total	595.6	538.9	

	Year to Date		
	1990	1989	Pct Change
REVENUE (000,000s)			
Local	$180.1	$181.9	(1.0)
Classified	137.2	135.7	1.1
National	24.2	23.4	3.4
Preprints	44.9	46.8	(4.1)
Newspaper advertising	386.4	387.8	(0.4)
Circulation	105.7	103.4	2.2
Other publishing(B)	132.9	125.2	6.2
PUBLISHING	625.0	616.4	1.4
BROADCASTING	168.8	159.9	5.6
CABLE TELEVISION	145.9	131.1	11.3
OTHER	11.3	12.7	(11.0)
CONSOLIDATED	$951.0	$920.1	3.4
Newspaper ad inches (000s)			
Local	7,612	7,992	(4.8)
Classified	8,989	9,004	(0.2)
National	521	560	(7.0)
Full run ROP	17,122	17,556	(2.5)
Part run ROP	916	873	4.9
Total	18,038	18,429	(2.1)

(A) -- September 1990 had one more Sunday and one less Friday than September 1989.

(B) -- Includes licensing, syndication, book publishing, share of profits of JOA newspapers not managed by the company, commercial printing and the newspaper sold 2/17/89. The divested newspaper had revenues of $1.1 million year to date 1989.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. (NYSE: MER), today reported third quarter net earnings of $46.1 million, or $.38 per common share compared with $41.0 million or $.34 per common share in the year earlier period.

The 1989 period included a net loss of $2.2 million, or $.02 per common share, from the discontinued operations and disposal of the corporation's real estate

subsidiary, which was divested in the 1989 third quarter.

Revenues for the quarter were $2.87 billion compared with $2.83 billion in the 1989 third quarter. In specific revenue categories, principal transaction, asset management and custodial fee, insurance and other revenues advanced while commission and investment banking revenues declined compared with the 1989 third quarter.

Asset management and custodial fee revenue advanced 11 percent over the year-ago period, indicating the continued success of the company's asset gathering and fee-based revenue strategy.

The 5 percent decline in commission revenues reflected the adverse market conditions and low levels of investor participation, while the 39 percent decline in investment banking revenues resulted from industry- wide weakness in equity underwritings and merchant banking activity, as many issuers postponed new issues and other transactions in the face of global market and economic weakness. Nevertheless, Merrill Lynch retained its position during the quarter as the top underwriter of total debt and equity securities, both domestically and globally.

Total expenses rose slightly to $2.79 billion from $2.76 billion in the prior year's quarter, with insurance expense increased by $120 million. This reflected the consolidation of Tandem Financial Group, Inc.'s results in the 1990 quarter. Further, other operating expenses declined, primarily reflecting lower compensation and benefit expense -- down 3 percent, and communication and equipment rental expense -- down 14 percent. Moreover, operating expenses excluding insurance decreased 3 percent from those of the 1989 nine-month period.

Net earnings for the nine months advanced 9 percent to $161.5 million, or $1.36 per common share, compared with $148.4 million or $1.27 per common share a year ago.

The 1989 nine-month period includes earnings of $4.0 million, or $.04 per common share, from discontinued operations.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Scripps Howard Broadcasting Company (NASDAQ: SCRP) today reported third quarter net income of $6.5 million, 63 cents per share, compared to $2.9 million, 28 cents per share, in the year ago quarter.

The strong increase was the result of improved operating income from both broadcast and cable television, and a $1 million decrease in interest expense.

Consolidated operating income increased 50 percent to $17.9 million as revenues increased 11.8 percent to $78.2 million.

Operating income from television and radio increased 42.8 percent to $14.5 million. Total operating costs increased just 1.9 percent to $40.7 million. Depreciation and amortization decreased 15.8 percent to $3.7 million.

Television and radio revenues increased 10.2 percent to $55.2 million. Ratings and revenues continue to improve at the Fox Network affiliates in Tampa, Phoenix and Kansas City. Also boosting revenues in the quarter was a $1.6 million increase in political advertising.

Operating income from cable television increased 65.5 percent to $4.5 million on a 15.8 percent revenue increase to $23 million. At the company's largest system in Sacramento, CA, 9,500 subscribers were added in the third quarter and 24,900 in the past 12 months for a total of 188,600 at Sept. 30.

The company had a total of 248,000 cable television subscribers at Sept. 30, an increase of 30,000 in the last 12 months.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income improved 57.6 percent to $19 million, $1.84 per share, vs. $12.1 million, $1.17 per share, in the first nine months of 1989. Consolidated operating income increased 24.2 percent to $53.7 million, and revenues increased 7.9 percent to $234 million.

Scripps Howard Broadcasting, an 80.4 percent owned subsidiary of The E.W. Scripps Company (NASDAQ: EWSCA), operates nine television stations, five radio stations and cable television systems with 248,000 basic subscribers.

Scripps Howard Broadcasting Company
Three months ended Sept. 30

	1990	1989
	(in thousands except per share amounts)	
Revenues:		
Broadcasting	$55,164	$50,051
Cable television	23,021	19,872
Total revenues	78,185	69,923
Operating income (loss):		
Broadcasting	14,501	10,154
Cable television	4,475	2,704
Corporate	(1,084)	(940)
Total operating income	17,892	11,918
Interest expense	(5,679)	(6,673)
Miscellaneous income (exp)	44	(28)
Income taxes	(5,761)	(2,348)

Net Income	$6,496	$2,869
Net income per share of common stock	$.63	$.28
Weighted average shares of common stock	10,328	10,328

	Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
	(in thousands except per share amounts)	
Revenues:		
Broadcasting	$168,760	$159,890
Cable television	65,376	57,136
Total revenues	234,136	217,026
Operating income (loss):		
Broadcasting	46,158	38,460
Cable television	10,530	7,457
Corporate	(3,005)	(2,695)
Total operating income	53,683	43,222
Interest expense	(17,823)	(21,203)
Miscellaneous income (exp)	(22)	(110)
Income taxes	(16,844)	(9,859)
Net income	18,994	12,050
Net income per share of common stock	$1.84	$1.17
Weighted average shares outstanding (000s)	10,328	10,328

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OAKBROOK TERRACE, ILL. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Telesphere Communications Inc. (AMEX: TSP) announced today the completion of its acquisition of National Telephone Services, Inc. (NTS), a regional telephone company based in Rockville, Md. The combined companies will become one of the largest long-distance telephone companies in the United States.

Telesphere said that the Chase Manhattan Bank, Citibank N.A. and Bell Atlantic Tricon Leasing Corporation are providing a $120 million credit facility to the company. The commitment provides both term and revolving credit financing to support the NTS acquisition and for other corporate activities.

Harry Thompson, chairman of Telesphere, commented, "We are delighted by the commitment of these three outstanding institutions, and this evidence of their faith in our corporate future."

Telesphere purchased NTS for $45 million, consisting of $21 million in cash, $14 million in notes and about 3.3 million shares of Telesphere common stock.

Eugene Ruiz, executive vice president, stated, "NTS is an excellent strategic fit for Telesphere, complementing our mix of long-distance related businesses. NTS is a leading provider of operator services to hotels, hospitals and pay phones, which fits well with Telesphere's already significant position in serving the hospitality industry. Conversely, Telesphere's national fiber optic network will handle the NTS traffic at much reduced costs with significant savings. Further savings will be realized due to Telesphere's use of the NTS operator centers."

Telesphere Communications, Inc. operates a nationwide, state-of-the-art digital fiber optic network, over which it provides long distance, operator, interactive 900 and other enhanced telecommunications services.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - National Mercantile Bancorp (NASDAQ: MBLA) today reported net income of $726,000, or $.23 per share, for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net income for the third quarter a year ago equalled $909,000, or $.34 per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $392,000, or $.13 per share. In the corresponding year-earlier period, net income was $2,634,000, or $1.00. The current nine-month earnings include $3.1 million in charges to pretax earnings in the second quarter, which included a significant provision for loan losses and a one-time payment related to the April resignation of the company's former president.

Net income per share for the 1990 periods was determined using approximately 16 percent more weighted average shares outstanding, resulting principally from a private placement of common stock earlier in the year.

"While net earnings are down, it is important to note that this quarter's results include a sizable addition to the company's provision for loan losses in the amount of $965,000, as compared with $120,000 for the same period last year," said William T. Hughes, president and chief operating officer. "We have increased our reserves in light of current uncertainty regarding the national economy and to keep pace with healthy growth in our loan portfolio. The benefits of our conservative management and lending philosophies, however, are reflected in non-accruing loans of $1.9 million, or 0.64 percent of the total loan portfolio as of September 30, 1990."

Hughes noted that the bank's recent investments in its commercial and

entertainment banking divisions helped in achieving the quarter's strong operating revenues.

National Mercantile Bancorp is the holding company for Mercantile National Bank, member FDIC, an independent commercial bank with offices in Century City and Irvine, Calif. The bank offers a wide range of financial services to middle market companies, the entertainment industry, the real estate community professionals, high net worth individuals and the escrow and title industries.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - GTE Corp. (NYSE: GTE) today reported that consolidated net income for the third quarter of 1990 increased 11 percent to $409 million, compared with $368 million in the third quarter last year.

Earnings per share also were up 11 percent, increasing to 59 cents per share from the 53 cents earned in the year-ago quarter. Earnings per share for both periods reflect the two-for-one stock split which became effective on May 23.

Consolidated revenues and sales rose 5 percent to $4.6 billion, compared with $4.4 billion the previous year.

For the first nine months of 1990, consolidated net income increased 10 percent to $1.1 billion, compared with $1 billion in the first nine months of last year. Earnings per share were $1.65, also 10 percent higher than the $1.50 earned a year ago. Consolidated revenues and sales for the nine months totaled $13.6 billion, a 7 percent increase over the $12.8 billion reported for the first nine months of 1989.

As previously announced, GTE and Contel Corp. have entered into an agreement to merge the two companies in a tax-free exchange, subject to the approval of the stockholders of both companies as well as various regulatory agencies. Special stockholders' meetings are expected to be held in December to vote on the merger. If approved, the merger will result in an organization that ranks as the largest U.S.-based, local- exchange telephone company and the second-largest, cellular-telephone operator.

Telephone revenues in the third quarter totaled $3.2 billion, compared with $3.1 billion reported in the third quarter last year. Minutes-of-use of local-exchange networks for long-distance calling were up 12 percent, and access lines in service increased by 4.1 percent over last year. The revenues from these volume gains were largely offset by lower, more competitive rates

charged long-distance carriers to access GTE's local-exchange network, as well as reduced revenues from billing and collection services and the leasing of long-distance facilities.

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RICHMOND, Va. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Reynolds Metals Company (NYSE: RLM) today reported third quarter earnings of $100.8 million or $1.70 per common share, compared with $123.7 million or $2.10 per share in the same quarter a year ago.

Revenues for the latest quarter were $1.536 billion versus $1.525 billion in the third quarter of 1989.

William O. Bourke, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Aluminum shipments for the quarter were up over a year ago. The lower reported earnings for the quarter are due principally to lower prices.

"Although the price of aluminum ingot has improved recently, our average metal prices during the third quarter were significantly below those of a year ago."

Mr. Bourke noted that fabricated product price improvements are still lagging those for ingot.

"While the company shipped a higher than normal tonnage of ingot during the quarter," he said, "more than 90 percent of the company's net sales are in the form of fabricated or finished products."

The company's packaging and consumer products businesses continue strong, he stated, "but the slump in construction, automotive, electrical cable and other markets has slowed the demand for aluminum in North America. Demand abroad continues to grow but at a lesser rate than earlier in the year.

"Despite what, in mid-October, appears to be a worsening economy, we are still looking for earnings improvement from the third to the fourth quarter," Mr. Bourke said.

For the nine months ended September 30, Reynolds Metals reported earnings of $281.5 million or $4.76 per share on revenues of $4.478 billion. This compares with earnings of $398.9 million or $6.80 per share, fully diluted, on revenues of $4.656 billion for the comparable 1989 period.

The company's aluminum shipments totaled 363,100 metric tons in the third quarter and 1,037,600 metric tons for the nine months, compared with 329,600

and 1,002,700 metric tons in the respective year ago periods.

Following is a tabulation of the company's results (in millions, except per share data):

QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,522.8	$1,511.1
Equity, interest and other income	12.8	13.6
TOTAL REVENUES	1,535.6	1,524.7
Cost of products sold	1,220.0	1,183.3
Selling/administrative/general expenses	91.2	92.2
Depreciation and amortization	55.1	49.9
Interest expense	21.5	26.1
TOTAL COSTS AND EXPENSES	1,387.8	1,351.5
Income before income taxes	147.8	173.2
Taxes on income	47.0	49.5
NET INCOME	$100.8	$123.7
Average shares outstanding	59.2	59.0
PRIMARY EARNINGS PER SHARE	$1.70	$2.10
Cash dividends per common share	$0.45	$0.45
NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$4,444.0	$4,604.8
Equity, interest and other income	33.5	51.4
TOTAL REVENUES	4,477.5	4,656.2
Cost of products sold	3,548.4	3,577.6
Selling/administrative/general expenses	279.5	273.5
Depreciation and amortization	158.0	147.7
Interest expense	67.1	88.9
TOTAL COSTS AND EXPENSES	4,053.0	4,087.7
Income before income taxes	424.5	568.5
Taxes on income	143.0	169.6
NET INCOME	$281.5	$398.9
Average shares outstanding	59.1	57.5
PRIMARY EARNINGS PER SHARE	$4.76	$6.93
Fully diluted average shares		59.0
Fully diluted earnings per share		$6.80
Cash dividends per common share	$1.35	$1.25

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MURFREESBORO, TN (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Pricor Incorporated (NASDAQ: PRCO) announced today it has signed a contract with Starr County, Texas to operate and manage a 766-bed adult detention facility.

Pricor Chairman Hubert L. McCullough made the announcement saying, "We have signed a contract to operate a detention facility designed to house minimum and medium security inmates to be constructed near Rio Grande City, Texas. The facility's construction is contingent upon the successful completion of a bond offering being underwritten by Kirchner Moore, a division of George K. Baum & Company, on behalf of a non-profit corporation formed by and on behalf of Starr County."

McCullough said the initial term of the contract is from Pricor's services commencement date through September, 1994, with a renewal option for an additional two years. Pricor's operation of the facility could begin within the next 12 to 15 months contingent upon construction completion. Annualized revenues to Pricor could reach approximately $8 million.

Pricor Incorporated is the nation's leading for-profit private provider of special educational and treatment services for youth. The company is also one of the country's oldest and largest private adult correctional services companies.

Pricor has contracts in Alabama, California, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia. Pricor has over 4,100 adult correctional facility beds under contract or management. Pricor's common stock is traded under the NASDAQ symbol: PRCO.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - PNC Financial Corp (NYSE: PNC) reported third quarter consolidated net income of $55.9 million and fully diluted earnings per share of $.58.

These results compare with $126.9 million and $1.31, respectively, in the third quarter of 1989. The provision for possible credit losses was $147.8 million compared with $38.3 million in the comparable quarter of 1989.

Thomas H. O'Brien, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said, "As we have indicated in the past, we continue to aggressively address the problems facing PNC and the entire banking industry. The weakening economy has resulted in an increase in nonperforming assets. We are identifying problem loans, writing down real estate to market values and adding reserves in accordance with internal policies."

Consolidated net income for the nine months of 1990 totaled $239.3 million, or $2.49 per share on a fully diluted basis. This compares with $376.0 million and $3.89, respectively, for the comparable period of 1989.

O'Brien said, "PNC's overall financial condition remains very strong as a

result of the significant earnings capacity of our core businesses. Proof is our ability to set aside $330 million in loan loss reserves in the first nine months and still earn $239 million. At the present time, we anticipate no change in our dividend."

On an annualized basis, return on average total assets was .69 percent for the nine months and return on average common shareholders' equity was 11.37 percent. These results compare with 1.21 percent and 18.38 percent, respectively, for the same period in 1989.

The allowance for credit losses was $563.3 million at September 30, 1990, or 2.02 percent of total loans. This compares with 1.87 percent at June 30, 1990 and 2.19 percent at year-end 1989.

On Sept. 30, 1990, total nonperforming assets were $965.9 million, compared with $837.9 million at June 30. This included nonaccrual loans, restructured loans and other real estate owned ("OREO"). The ratio of nonperforming loans to total loans was 2.61 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with 2.31 percent at June 30, 1990 and 1.74 percent at Dec. 31, 1989.

On a taxable-equivalent basis, net interest income for the nine months was $1.1 billion, a 3.9 percent increase from a year ago. Average earning assets increased 11.3 percent to $42.7 billion in the nine months of 1990 principally related to purchases of U.S. government agency securities. The net interest margin was 3.41 percent, compared with 3.65 percent a year earlier.

Total noninterest income increased 17.2 percent to $494.8 million in the nine months of 1990. This included trust revenues of $162.0 million, 10.7 percent higher than 1989, and service charges, fees and commissions of $258.2 million, a 15.0 percent increase over 1989. "Other" noninterest income was $23.5 million higher than 1989, primarily attributable to a third quarter gain on the settlement of certain pension liabilities.

Noninterest expenses of $884.4 million for the nine months increased 12.9 percent over the same period in 1989, including a 4.0 percent increase in staff expense. The comparison was adversely impacted by higher expenses related to OREO and an increase in FDIC assessments. OREO expenses in the aggregate totaled $32.4 million, which included $26.5 million of valuation adjustments.

PNC Financial Corp, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is the nation's 15th-largest bank holding company with assets of $45.7 billion. PNC was formed in 1983 with the consolidation of Pittsburgh National Corp., Pittsburgh, and Provident National Corp., Philadelphia. Its principal banking affiliates include: Bank of Delaware Corp., Wilmington, Del.; The Central Bancorporation, Inc., Cincinnati (includes banks in Ohio and Kentucky); Citizens Fidelity Corp., Louisville, Ky. (includes banks in Kentucky and Indiana); The First Bank and Trust Co., Mechanicsburg, Pa.; The Hershey Bank, Hershey, Pa.; Marine Bank,

Erie, Pa.; Northeastern Bank of Pennsylvania, Scranton, Pa.; Pittsburgh National Bank, Pittsburgh; Provident National Bank, Philadelphia; PNC National Bank, Wilmington, Del.; and PNC National Bank of New Jersey, Cherry Hill, N.J. PNC currently operates 535 community banking offices in Pennsylvania, Kentucky Indiana, Ohio, Delaware and New Jersey. It also conducts business through additional offices in 15 states.

PNC FINANCIAL CORP AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statement of Income

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
(In thousands, except per share data) INTEREST INCOME				
Loans and fees on loans	$ 727,800	$ 744,201	$2,198,267	$2,199,726
Deposits with banks	4,564	19,585	19,273	130,982
Federal funds sold and resale agreements	30,558	5,470	47,284	20,214
Trading account securities	1,302	1,161	3,491	3,661
Investment securities				
Taxable	284,189	214,117	854,983	609,085
Tax-exempt	15,090	19,272	50,270	56,940
Dividends	3,213	2,656	9,358	7,970
Other	2,747	1,646	7,592	4,334
TOTAL INTEREST INCOME	1,069,463	1,008,108	3,190,518	3,032,912
INTEREST EXPENSE				
Deposits	501,683	479,695	1,472,597	1,424,045
Short-term borrowings	208,428	194,358	642,046	589,935
Long-term borrowings	21,312	16,293	57,666	46,251
TOTAL INTEREST EXPENSE	731,423	690,346	2,172,309	2,060,231
NET INTEREST INCOME	338,040	317,762	1,018,209	972,681
Provision for credit losses	147,756	38,344	330,438	114,052
NET INTEREST INCOME LESS PROVISION FOR CREDIT LOSSES	190,284	279,418	687,771	858,629
NONINTEREST INCOME				
Trust	54,560	49,957	162,044	146,407
Service charges,				

fees and commissions	88,780	79,438	258,168	224,458
Trading account profits (losses)	(61)	1,035	4,345	4,202
Net equity and other security gains	2,553	7,109	18,675	18,172
Net debt security gains	957	9,178	5,805	6,572
Other	30,344	8,207	45,746	22,293
TOTAL NONINTEREST INCOME	177,133	154,924	494,783	422,104
NONINTEREST EXPENSES				
Compensation	121,812	113,893	356,372	331,321
Employee benefits	21,428	24,543	67,850	76,703
Net occupancy	24,734	22,253	73,302	64,929
Equipment	22,231	19,601	65,975	54,269
Other	111,993	87,380	320,924	256,394
TOTAL NONINTEREST EXPENSES	302,198	267,670	884,423	783,616
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	65,219	166,672	298,131	497,117
Applicable income taxes	9,326	39,754	58,874	121,143
NET INCOME	$ 55,893	$ 126,918	$ 239,257	$ 375,974
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE				
Primary	$.59	$1.33	$2.52	$3.98
Fully diluted	.58	1.31	2.49	3.89

PNC FINANCIAL CORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Balance Sheet (Dollars in Thousands)

	September 30 1990	December 31 1989	September 30 1989
ASSETS			
Cash and due from banks	$ 2,005,462	$ 2,591,844	$ 2,278,145
Interest-earning deposits with banks	387,348	346,427	394,952
Federal funds sold and resale agreements	250,924	142,400	203,530
Trading account securities	124,676	64,481	39,027
Investment securities, market value of $13,210,570; $12,909,113 and $11,191,720	13,415,785	12,866,610	11,256,541
Loans, net of unearned income of $755,118; $709,935 and $672,455	27,875,456	28,106,790	27,599,615
Allowance for credit losses	(563,313)	(615,921)	(502,076)
Net loans	27,312,143	27,490,869	27,097,539

Customers' acceptance liability	370,839	603,655	403,378
Premises, equipment and leasehold improvements	446,705	429,358	418,889
Other	1,319,254	1,125,100	1,024,222
TOTAL ASSETS	$45,633,136	$45,660,744	$43,116,223
LIABILITIES Deposits			
Noninterest-bearing	$ 4,457,695	$ 5,096,005	$ 4,524,823
Interest-bearing	26,173,948	24,697,863	24,097,590
In foreign offices	278,719	326,300	437,255
Total deposits	30,910,362	30,120,168	29,059,668
Short-term borrowings			
Federal funds purchased	2,191,569	3,864,525	3,815,444
Repurchase agreements	4,871,740	4,162,531	3,657,845
Commercial paper	835,283	2,012,773	1,018,492
Other	1,806,261	687,800	850,099
Total short-term borrowings	9,704,853	10,727,629	9,341,880
Acceptances outstanding	370,839	603,655	403,378
Long-term borrowings	1,130,414	714,663	696,657
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	720,005	665,068	741,013
TOTAL LIABILITIES	42,836,473	42,831,183	40,242,596
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY Preferred stock-$1 par value Authorized: 18,181,097; 18,659,234 and 18,807,862 shares Issued and outstanding: 1,810,282; 2,285,056 and 2,431,939 shares	1,810	2,285	2,432
Aggregate liquidation value: $39,723; $49,300 and $52,273 Common stock-$5 par value Authorized: 250,000,000 shares Issued: 94,924,819; 94,360,684 and 94,235,505 shares	474,624	471,803	471,178
Capital surplus	463,805	468,661	475,254
Retained earnings	1,996,782	1,914,923	1,962,705
ESOP financing	(140,000)	Common stock held in	
treasury at cost: 12,174; 617,942 and 806,087 shares	(358)	(28,111)	(37,942)
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	2,796,663	2,829,561	2,873,627

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	$45,663,136	$45,660,744	$43,116,223

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 16) PR WIRE - Inter-Regional Financial Group, Inc. (IFG), (NYSE: IFG) parent of Dain Bosworth Incorporated and Rauscher Pierce Refsnes, Inc., today reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the third quarter, IFG had a loss before extraordinary items of $204,000 compared with net earnings before extraordinary items of $1,205,000 for the same period last year. Net earnings including extraordinary items were $11,739,000, or $1.25 per share, for the quarter versus $1,446,000, or $.18 per share, last year.

The 1990 results include an extraordinary gain of $12,135,000 from the previously announced settlement of a lawsuit with Touche Ross & Co. related to audit services provided to IFG's discontinued leasing subsidiary in 1980 and 1981. Net revenues (revenues less interest expense) for the 1990 third quarter totaled $56,349,000 versus $59,392,000 in 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, IFG reported earnings before extraordinary items of $1,130,000, or $.30 per share, compared with $2,669,000, or $.33 per share, last year. Net earnings, including extraordinary gains, were $13,380,000, or $1.59 per share, versus $3,277,000, or $.41 per share, in the comparable 1989 period. Net revenues for 1990 were $177,029,000 versus $173,171,000 last year.

Weiser also stated, "IFG will from time to time make additional open market purchases of up to $10 million of its outstanding 10 percent and 11.5 percent convertible subordinated debentures. This is consistent with the company's strategy to reduce long-term debt.

"We have the strongest balance sheet we have had in almost 10 years, due mainly to the settlement of our litigation. Our significantly improved equity and capital position will greatly help us weather these difficult times."

Inter-Regional Financial Group provides full-service securities and investment banking services in 20 states through its subsidiaries, Dain Bosworth Incorporated, Minneapolis, and Rauscher Pierce Refsnes, Inc., Dallas. The parent company's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol IFG.

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WOODBURY, N.Y. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Comverse Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: CMVT) announced today that its distributor in the United Kingdom, GEC Plessey Telecommunications (GPT) has now purchased over 40 TRILOGUE systems from Comverse. These systems have been installed in major U.K. enterprises.

John Witham, GPT business manager, stated that, "The list of Companies now owning TRILOGUE systems, known as the iSMM (Integrated Services Message Manager) in the U.K., now includes the names of some of the largest British companies. These include Atlantic Container, Apple Computer, Bass, British Aerospace, British Petroleum, Ernst & Young, Midland Bank, Robert Bosch, Premier Brands and Trustee Savings Bank to name a but a few." Witham continued, "We are delighted with this progress and the contribution the iSMM is making to our revenues and profits. We have recently strengthened our sales, marketing and support efforts and look forward to significant results in 1991."

Kobi Alexander, president and chairman of the board of Comverse, stated that, "The GPT relationship is proving to be very fruitful. The market for TRILOGUE in the U.K. and the rest of Europe is at the beginning of a major growth curve. We are, therefore, very pleased and proud to have this partnership with the number one company in the U.K. telecommunications arena."

Comverse, located in Woodbury, N.Y., develops, manufactures and markets high performance computer systems for commercial and defense communications applications, including multi media message management systems under the name of TRILOGUE.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Honeywell Inc. (NYSE: HON) said today that net income from continuing operations in the third quarter of 1990 was $86.8 million, compared with $67.8 million a year ago. Earnings per share from continuing operations were $2.30, compared with $1.58 in third-quarter 1989. Company orders in third-quarter 1990 increased strongly. International orders rates were particularly good, aided by currency translation benefits.

"Honeywell continues to deliver on the commitments we made to shareholders in 1989. The divestiture of our defense business with the spin-off of Alliant Techsystems Inc. completes another important step in our five-point

shareholder value enhancement program.

"Overall, we are pleased with our results for the first nine months of the year, and we look forward to a good fourth quarter," said Honeywell Chairman and Chief Executive Officer James J. Renier. "While we are concerned about the economic outlook, especially in the United States, our order rates remained positive in the third quarter."

Honeywell's worldwide sales from continuing operations in third-quarter 1990 were $1.562 billion, compared with $1.500 billion in 1989. Operating profit from continuing operations in the third quarter was $172.5 million, compared with $133.8 million in 1989.

A net loss from discontinued operations totaled $3.3 million, or $.09 per share, compared with net income of $6.6 million a year ago. Discontinued operations comprises the major portion of the defense business included in the Alliant Techsystems spin-off. The net loss from discontinued operations was due to Honeywell's costs related to the spin-off.

Total sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $4.636 billion, compared with $4.449 billion in 1989. Nine-month net income from continuing operations was $262.6 million, compared with $178.8 million in the first nine months of 1989.

Nine-month earnings per share from continuing operations were $6.82, compared with $4.15 last year. Nine-month 1990 figures include an after-tax gain of $18.1 million, or $.46 per share, from the sale of Yamatake-Honeywell shares in the first quarter.

Honeywell is a global controls company that provides products, systems and services for homes and buildings, industry, and aviation and space. The company had 1989 sales of $6.059 billion.

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MONTGOMERY, ALA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Kinder-Care Learning Centers Inc. (OTC: KIND), the nation's largest child care company, today announced Darryl Hartley-Leonard, president of Hyatt Hotels Corp., has been elected to the board of directors.

The nomination took place at a special meeting held at the executive offices of Kinder-Care Learning Centers in Montgomery on Sept. 10. Hartley-Leonard, 46, has been president of Hyatt Hotels Corp. since February 1986. He also is president of Regency Productions, Hyatt Hotels Corp.'s special events management and production company.

Hartley-Leonard joins the following Kinder-Care board of directors: J. Phillip Samper, president and chief executive officer; Ken Miller, chairman of the board and president of The Lodestar Group; Edward Gibson, vice chairman of Kinder-Care; Perry Mendel, founder of Kinder-Care and chairman emeritus; Herbert Baum, president of Campbell North America; Jack Greenberg, senior executive vice president and chief financial officer of McDonald's Corp.; Malcolm Hopkins, former vice chairman and chief financial officer of St. Regis Corp.; Geraldine Laybourne, president of Nickelodeon; Dr. Sandra Scarr, Commonwealth Professor of psychology at the University of Virginia; Wayne Thornbrough, chief investment officer of The Lodestar Group; Tull Gearreald, managing director of Union Bank of Switzerland Securities Inc.; and Taylor Dawson Jr., president of Andrew and Dawson.

Kinder-Care Learning Centers has 1,258 child care centers in 40 states, including 17 corporate centers, with 10 new contracts being negotiated. Kinder-Care Learning Centers is the child care provider for children of employees of Disney World, Cigna, Monmouth Medical Center (N.J.), University of Kentucky and other corporations, universities and hospitals across the country.

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MARLBOROUGH, MA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Equipment Corporation (NYSE: DEC) today announced the applicationDEC 433MP, its most expandable system for small and medium businesses.

The system, developed and manufactured by Digital, is based on the popular Sco Unix System V and the Intel 486 processor, and was designed specifically to be sold through Value Added Resellers.

"With the addition of the applicationDEC 433MP, Digital's line of SCO/Intel based systems for small and medium businesses becomes one of the most comprehensive in the industry," said Gary Eichhorn, Digital's vice president, General Systems Business.

The new system joins the applicationDEC 3XX family of smaller multi-user systems, formerly called the DECsystem 3XX family introduced in April. The applicationDEC family complements Digital's complete range of offerings for small and midsized businesses. Digital's strategy to increase its share of the small-to-medium sized enterprise (SME) market is based on four key components:

- a complete line of Digital products;
- business practices which make it easy and attractive for Value Added

Resellers to establish and maintain business relationships with Digital;
- business services which generate end user demand for the VARs' products and services while reducing their business costs; and
- customer services which include traditional product support as well as innovative services which support and complement the VARs' expertise.

In addition to the applicationDEC 433MP, today's announcement also addressed the business services and customer services components of Digital's SME strategy. The company announced an extension to its Gold Key Program, which enables its resellers to sell Digital's high quality service portfolio to their customers.

"For our small business VARs, we will be offering a subset of the existing 140 Gold Key services, including: maintenance services, warranty services, recovery services, desktop services and self-maintenance services," said Eichhorn.

In addition, Digital announced the availability of several business services to these small business VARs, including technical support services, new product introduction kits, a demo/development program, a software loan program and joint business planning.

Digital Equipment Corporation, headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise - from desktop to the data center.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - CarePlus, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CPLS) announced today continued earnings improvement with third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 earnings of $1,088,000, up 81 percent from the $600,000 posted in the same period last year. Third quarter revenues were $12 million vs. $9.1 million in 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share were $.16 compared to $.10 last year.

Earnings from operations increased 62 percent to $1.9 million, and operating margins improved to 15.9 percent for the quarter, compared to 12.9 percent for the same period in 1989. Year-to-date, operating margins were 15.3 percent up from 10.5 percent in the prior year.

"Our DSO's (Days Sales Outstanding) have decreased to 135 days, down 12 days from last quarter. Strong earnings growth, combined with continued improvement in receivables collection, will allow us to continue growing by

geographic expansion, acquisition and increased market penetration," remarked Bob L. Wood, chairman and CEO of CarePlus.

Nine month earnings were up 103 percent at $2.9 million, compared to $1.4 million for the same period in 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share for the nine months were $.44, vs. $.27 for 1989.

CarePlus is a national provider of high-tech infusion therapy, treating patients requiring Chemotherapy, nutritional feeding through either a vein or a tube, intravenous (I.V.) antibiotic therapy, pain treatment, fluid administration and other home infusion therapies.

CarePlus, Inc. common stock is traded on the National Market System under the symbol: CPLS.

CARE PLUS, INC.
COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOLLOW:
(Amounts in thousands, except per share amounts)

	QUARTER ENDED SEPT. 30,		NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Revenues	$11,955	$ 9,053	$34,082	$26,004
Operating Expenses				
Compensation and related benefits	4,388	3,256	12,526	10,772
Selling, general and administrative expenses	3,519	2,877	9,999	7,836
Medical expenses	2,152	1,752	6,335	4,654
	10,059	7,885	28,860	23,262
Earnings from Operations	1,896	1,168	5,222	2,742
Operating Margin (pct.)	15.9	12.9	15.3	10.5
Pretax Earnings	1,813	934	4,831	2,303
Net Earnings	1,088	600	2,899	1,428
Net Margin (pct.)	9.1	6.6	8.5	5.5
Primary earnings per share	$ .16	$ .11	$ .44	$ .28
Fully diluted earnings per share	$ .16	$ .10	$ .44	$ .27
Weighted Average Number of Shares and equivalents:				
Primary	6,891	5,870	6,620	5,333
Fully diluted	6,891	5,903	6,665	5,344

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KALAMAZOO, MI (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) announced today that a preliminary injunction has been granted in its patent infringement suit against a New York-based hair growth clinic.

In a suit filed in 1987, Upjohn charged Medtron Laboratories, Inc., with infringing Upjohn's patents on minoxidil, the active ingredient in Upjohn's hair growth prescription drug, Rogaine Topical Solution.

Following a decision in U.S. District Court in New York, Medtron is now prohibited from manufacturing, selling and distributing products which contain minoxidil and would therefore infringe the Upjohn patents.

Lawrence T. Welch, senior patent counsel at Upjohn, said, "We are very pleased by the court's decision. Upjohn has a firm policy of vigorous enforcement of its patent rights and will not tolerate any infringement."

Upjohn has since 1987 aggressively and successfully defended its minoxidil patents. To date Upjohn has filed 52 suits against companies, clinics or individuals. Of the 49 suits settled thus far, all have been decided in Upjohn's favor.

Rogaine, cleared for marketing in the United States by the Food and Drug Administration in 1988, is currently marketed in more than 65 countries worldwide.

The Upjohn Company is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care products, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

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MORRIS PLAINS, NJ (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Warner-Lambert Company (NYSE: WLA) announced today that sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were a record for any quarter. Sales increased seven percent to $1.19 billion from $1.11 billion a year earlier. At constant currency rates, sales grew 5 percent. During the third quarter, Warner- Lambert's earnings per share (EPS) increased 18 percent to 93 cents. Net income rose 17 percent to $125 million compared to $107 million during the third quarter of 1989. EPS and net income were records for a third quarter.

Joseph D. Williams, chairman and chief executive officer, said the strength of

the company's worldwide pharmaceutical business helped fuel Warner-Lambert's record sales.

During the quarter, worldwide sales of the company's prescription pharmaceuticals increased to $390 million, up 15 percent from the same period a year earlier. Growth in the segment was led by the cholesterol-regulating drug Lopid, whose sales for the first nine months were ahead by 22 percent to $261 million. Also helping drive quarterly segment sales were the cardiovascular drug Dilzem and the analgesic Ponstan. The company's line of prescription pharmaceuticals includes the anticonvulsant Dilantin, the cardiovascular drug Accupril and the anti-infectives ERYC, Doryx and Penetrex.

Worldwide sales of non-prescription health care products rose 11 percent, paced by the continuing strong performance of Listerine antiseptic mouthwash and Halls cough tablets. For the first nine months, sales of Listerine were ahead by 16 percent and sales of Halls increased by 19 percent. Other products in the segment include Rolaids antacid, Benadryl antihistamine, Lubriderm skin lotion, Benylin cough syrup, Tucks medicated pads, Sinutab sinus medication and Anusol hemorrhoidal preparation.

Worldwide sales of the company's other products increased by 4 percent to $133 million. The segment includes Schick razors and blades, Capsugel empty hard gelatin capsules and Tetra home aquarium products.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Alliant Techsystems Inc. (NYSE: ATK) today announced that it has received a $75 million contract with the U.S. Army for the production of AT4 Lightweight Anti-armor Weapons and a $53.6 million contract for production of the Area Denial Artillery Munition (ADAM).

Alliant Techsystems, which was formerly the Defense and Marine Systems Business, Signal Analysis Center and test Instruments Division of Honeywell Inc., was officially launched as an independent company in September 1990.

The company said the AT4 units will be produced at its production facility in Joliet, Ill. Alliant Techsystems, as Honeywell's Defense and Marine Systems Business, has been a supplier of the AT4 to the Army since 1985. Deliveries under the contract announced today will continue through October 1992.

The lightweight, recoilless AT4 is a one-shot, fully self-contained, shoulder-fired anti-armor weapon that can defeat more than 80 percent of all armored vehicles. The AT4 is used world-wide by the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines.

Alliant Techsystems has been a manufacturer of ADAM for 15 consecutive years. ADAM is a 155MM artillery-delivered antipersonnel mine activated by deployed trip lines. Deliveries under the contract announced today will continue through November 1991.

Alliant Techsystems Inc. supplies high-quality precision armament, ordnance, marine and information storage systems to the United States Government and its allies. In 1989, the company had revenues of $1.3 billion and net income of $42 million. Headquartered in Minnesota, Alliant Techsystems employs 8,000 people throughout the United States.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientists at the Westinghouse Electric Corp.'s (NYSE: WX) Science & Technology Center here have received a U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission contract to further develop a knowledge-based artificial intelligence system that assesses the decisions humans make while at the controls of nuclear power plants.

The $400,000 contract extends by 18 months a successful five-year NRC-funded effort to develop the Westinghouse Cognitive Environment Simulation (CES) system. The new effort will increase the capability of the the basic system and also convert it from a specialized computer to a more commonly available one, yet to be selected.

"We are going to put in more psychological features to further improve modeling of the operators' behavior," said Dr. Emilie Roth, human sciences manager at Westinghouse.

The ultimate goal, Roth said, is to produce a tool that can be widely used both to evaluate and improve human reliability in existing plants and to simplify the design of new plants, such as the Westinghouse AP600, from the perspective of the human operator.

"Nuclear technology is now so highly developed that it's generally recognized that as many problems are likely to be caused by human error as by equipment failure," Roth said. "To study how these errors might occur our system uses an information base, comprised of what power plant employees know, incorporated with programming that represents the problem solving and decision making of human operators."

CES now runs on a Symbolics Inc. 3650 workstation, a highly specialized artificial-intelligence computer expressly designed for the Lisp programming language. It uses as its core engine an expert-system shell called Eagol

developed in Lisp by consultant Dr. Harry E. Pople Jr., a University of Pittsburgh professor. Pople's company, Seer Systems Inc., will also serve as a subcontractor to Westinghouse under the new NRC contract.

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SWIFTWATER, PA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Connaught Laboratories Inc. (CLI) announced today the signing of research and development and marketing agreements with MedImmune Inc. (formerly Molecular Vaccines Inc.) of Gaithersburg, Md.

The first agreement involves research collaboration on recombinant BCG vector vaccine technology. MedImmune licensed to CLI worldwide exclusive rights to products resulting from the technology for the prevention and/or treatment of selected infectious diseases in humans.

An attenuated strain of Mycobacterium bovis (Bacillus Calmette and Guerin (BCG)) is utilized. Genes for the production of the desired antigen are removed from a disease-causing organism and inserted into the BCG bacteria. BCG then expresses the protein antigen on its surface. The BCG organisms, which are now expressing the antigen, are injected into the vaccinee where they will continue to produce the antigen, thereby stimulating antibody production. These antibodies then confer immunity to the disease.

"This approach provides a unique and promising technology for improving current vaccines and developing new ones," commented David J. Williams, president of CLI. "We are looking forward to our collaboration with MedImmune Inc."

The second agreement involves marketing rights to Cytomegalovirus Intravenous Immune Globulin. This product, which has been licensed by the FDA and is designated an Orphan Drug, is indicated for the attenuation of primary cytomegalovirus (CMV) disease associated with kidney transplantation. Specifically, the product is indicated for all kidney transplant recipients who are seronegative for CMV and who receive a kidney from a CMV-seropositive donor or from a donor whose CMV status is unknown. CLI has exclusive worldwide marketing rights to this product, with the exception of countries in the Pacific Rim, as well as the commonwealth of Massachusetts and the state of Maine. In the United States, it is estimated that there are about 9,000 kidney transplants annually. Of these, approximately 3,000 patients are expected to benefit from this treatment. It is anticipated that this product will be commercially available in the United States during the first quarter of 1991.

MedImmune Inc., founded in 1988 and located in Gaithersburg, Md., is a

biotechnology company focused on the development, production and marketing of new subunit vaccines and immunotherapeutic products for the prevention and treatment of infectious diseases and cancer.

Connaught Laboratories Inc., A Pasteur Merieux Co., provides the broadest range of vaccines and biologicals commercially available in the United States from a single company.

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DENVER (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Apache Corp. (NYSE: APA) today announced that strong third quarter results led to record earnings in the first nine months of 1990, exceeding those in the full year 1989. The company attributed the gain to rising gas and oil production, coupled with higher oil prices.

In the third quarter, net income increased 86 percent to $9.5 million from $5.1 million in the comparable 1989 quarter. Earnings per share advanced 40 percent to 21 cents on 11.1 million more shares outstanding.

In the first nine months of 1990, net income increased 91 percent to $28.6 million from $15.0 million in the first nine months of 1989. Earnings per share of 64 cents increased 42 percent over the comparable 1989 reporting period and equalled those for all of 1989.

Cash from operations increased to $40.8 million in the quarter and $117.9 million in the first nine months, increases of 37 percent and 27 percent, respectively, over the comparable 1989 periods.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Raymond Plank said, "Increased oil and gas production in each quarter this year, plus recent increases in oil prices, enabled earnings through September 30 to eclipse 12-month earnings for the second year in a row."

The continued effect of the company's aggressive drilling program increased quarterly gas production 16 percent to an average 266 million cubic feet per day. Oil production during the quarter increased 21 percent to an average 9,931 barrels per day, largely the result of a previously announced property acquisition. Both gas and oil production set record highs for any quarter in the company's 36 years.

Apache realized an average oil price of $22.31 per barrel during the quarter, up $5.40 from a year ago. This helped offset the impact of a 7 cents decline

in the company's average gas price, which averaged $1.52 per thousand cubic feet. The drop in the company's average gas price reflected deterioration of spot market prices from third quarter 1989.

Apache is an independent energy company engaged in exploration, development, production and marketing of natural gas and crude oil. The company's securities are traded on the New York and Midwest Stock Exchanges (symbol APA).

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LITTLE ROCK, AR (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - AllTel Corporation (NYSE: AT) announced today its third quarter financial results.

AllTel's net income advanced 14 percent to $46,796,000 from the $40,902,000 reported in the third quarter last year. Third quarter earnings were 57 cents per share, up 16 percent from 49 cents a year ago on one percent fewer average common shares outstanding. Revenues and sales were $397,137,000, up eight percent from $368,158,000 in the corresponding quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, AllTel earned $1.66 per share, an increase of seven percent over last year's $1.55 on one percent more average common shares outstanding. Net income was $137,064,000, up eight percent from $127,009,000 for the first nine months on 1989. Revenues and sales were $1,170,255,000, up ten percent from $1,061,944,000 last year.

Earnings per share for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $2.24, up 20 percent from $1.87 a year ago. Net income was $184,770,000, up 21 percent from $152,162,000 last year on revenues and sales of $1,558,954,000, up from $1,390,307,000 in the corresponding period last year. The 12-month results of 1989 include a fourth quarter 1988 net, after tax, charge of $17.5 million representing gain/loss on investments and merger costs.

Joe T. Ford, AllTel president and chief executive officer, said, "While the third quarter results reflect continued modest growth in telephone revenues, AllTel's non-regulated operations made a strong contribution to the company's overall earnings growth rate.

"Systematics, AllTel's recently acquired information services subsidiary, made the biggest impact during the quarter - posting a sharp increase in higher margin software sales and continuing its 20 percent growth rate in recurring facilities management revenues.

"HWC Distribution also showed improved results despite construction slowdowns that continue to put pressures on margins. Our cellular operations enjoyed a good quarter, increasing the number of customers served to 40,000, an 88

percent increase in the past year." This includes the acquisition of the Augusta, Ga., system, which added 3,800 customers.

AllTel Corporation (AT) provides telephone service to more than 1.1 million customers in 25 states and has subsidiaries or investments in companies that provide cellular telephone, long-distance and information services, communications products and other related services.

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BOSTON (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - NCR (NYSE: NCR) today released Open Networking Environment(TM), a set of superior networking products that provides end-to-end OSI networking solutions unmatched in the industry.

NCR's Open Networking Environment consists of four general categories of products.

The first category is a comprehensive suite of OSI networking products that includes:

- Open Network System, a free-standing OSI-based backbone network that implements all seven layers of the OSI reference model. ONS also provides network application services such as X.400 Message Handling Services - OSI software that provides OSI networking capability for the NCR System 3000 - Communication subsystems compatible with Micro Channel Architecture The second category is a full suite of SNA and TCP/IP software products for the System 3000 providing coexistence between existing and OSI networks.

The third category is a set of transitioning products that allow customers to access their old and new network environments while in the process of moving to standards-based networking.

The fourth category is an OSI-based network and systems management software product that extends across the Open Networking Environment to help customers manage their systems and networks.

NCR's Open Networking Environment is supported worldwide by over 20,000 people in 122 countries. Support options include network planning and design, network integration, and network management. NCR also provides a broad range of service offerings, including consulting, systems integration, project management, installation, and training.

NCR Corporation, based in Dayton, Ohio, develops, manufactures, markets, and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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CASS CITY, MICH. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - L.E. Althaver, chairman, president, and chief executive officer, Walbro Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: WALB), reported net sales of $45,127,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $29,392,000 for the same period in 1989. (Third-quarter 1990 sales include $5,385,000 from the recently acquired Sharon Manufacturing Company.)

The company reported net income from continuing operations of $512,000 for the quarter compared with a net loss of $1,877,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

Income per share from continuing operations was $.12 for the third quarter, based on an average of 4,289,161 shares outstanding. This compares with a net loss of $.44 per share for the third quarter of 1989, based on 4,289,436 shares outstanding.

"Demand for electric fuel pumps for automotive original equipment applications was high during the third quarter, and the Automotive Division's Caro, Mich., facility set a fuel pump production record in August," Althaver said in announcing the results.

He also noted that a major fuel module program has now reached production at the Automotive Division's Meriden, Conn., facility, significantly increasing sales from that operation.

Althaver said that Sharon Manufacturing Company, Lambertville, Mich., has several major fuel rail projects under way that should contribute positively to Walbro's bottom line by year-end.

"Future orders for automotive fuel system products are strong at this time," Althaver said. "However, uncertainty over recent developments in the Middle East could have a negative effect on shipments of automotive products in the fourth quarter and in 1991," he cautioned.

"Shipments of diaphragm carburetors by Walbro's Small Engine Division were somewhat above last year's levels during the third quarter," the chief executive said. "Demand for float-feed carburetors for outboard engines and lawn-and-garden equipment was low, however, due to continued softness in consumer sales of those products. But float- feed carburetor shipments should increase significantly next year as a major new carburetor program reaches production," he added.

Walbro Corporation is a designer and manufacturer of automotive and small engine fuel system components. Walbro is headquartered in Cass City, and has

subsidiaries and joint ventures throughout the world, including the United States, Japan, Singapore, West Germany, Mexico, Korea and Hong Kong. Walbro common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol WALB.

WALBRO CORPORATION
(In thousands, except share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$45,127	$29,392	$121,965	$99,545
Income				
Continuing operations	512	(1,877)	2,336	258
Net income	512	(1,877)	2,336	594
Income per share				
Continuing operations	$.12	($.44)	$.54	$.06
Net income	$.12	($.44)	$.54	$.14
Average shares outstanding	4,289,161	4,289,436	4,289,161	4,138,249

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IRVINE, CALIF. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Fluor Corp. (NYSE: FLR) announced today that Thomas J. Putman has been appointed president, American Equipment Co.

Putman joined American Equipment Co. in 1975 as a branch administrative manager. He served as division manager for all three major divisions prior to being named vice president in 1986.

Putman attended North Carolina State University in Raleigh, N.C. He resides with his wife and two daughters in Greenville. Putman is active in the United Way and the Greenville School System.

American Equipment Co. Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Fluor Corp., provides construction equipment and related services to clients throughout North America, Canada and Puerto Rico.

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BRANFORD, CONN. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Branford Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: BSBC) today reported that it made a special addition to its loan loss reserve in the amount of $8.7 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The addition resulted in an after-tax loss of $7,765,000 ($4.99 per share) for the first nine months of 1990 and a third-quarter after-tax loss of $7,972,000 ($5.12 per share). This resulted in an increase in the banks' loan loss reserves from $1,917,000 on June 30, 1990, to $9,556,000 as of Sept. 30, 1990, which represents 32 percent of non-accruing loans.

Non-accrual loans and foreclosed real estate as of Sept. 30, 1990, stood at $29,839,000 and $4,787,000, respectively. The bank's primary capital ratio (which includes loan loss reserves) stood at 8.27 percent, which is above regulatory minimum requirements. Shareholders' equity as of Sept. 30, 1990, was $16,526,000 or the equivalent of a $10.61 book value per share.

Harry F. Whittemore Jr., president and chief executive officer, indicated that the addition to the loan loss reserve was made due to the continuing decline of the local economy and its impact on the banks' loan portfolio. He added that it was prudent to take this decisive action to respond to the deepening uncertainty of today's economic environment and to put the bank in a stronger position to deal with the challenges now confronting the banking industry.

Branford Savings Bank is an FDIC-insured, state-chartered savings bank founded in 1889. Five offices are located in Branford (two), North Branford and East Haven (two).

BRANFORD SAVINGS BANK
(In thousands, except per share)

Quarter ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Assets	$299,151	$302,494
Net loans	267,583	264,623
Deposits	222,690	223,837
Net income (loss)	(7,972)	250
Per share(A)	$(5.12)	$.16
Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net income (loss)	(7,765)	$1,365
Per share(A)	$(4.99)	$.88

(A) -- Includes stock options outstanding, the effect of which is not material.

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DALLAS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Vinland Property Trust (NASDAQ: VIPTS) today announced operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Aug.

31, 1990.

For the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, the trust recorded a net loss of $149,000, or 2 cents per share on revenues of $1.1 million, compared with a net loss of $1.1 million, or 19 cents per share, on revenues of $1.7 million in the third quarter of the prior year.

For the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, the trust recorded net income of $713,000, or 12 cents per share, on revenues of $7.7 million, compared with a net loss of $3.4 million, or 57 cents per share, on revenues of $4.8 million in the first nine months of 1989.

Rental income for the third quarter and nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, decreased to $700,000 and $2.4 million, respectively, as compared with $1.0 million and $3.2 million for 1989's third quarter and first nine months.

"Rental income was lower this year because we lost a shopping mall through foreclosure in June 1989, sold an apartment complex in January 1990 and gave back to the senior lien holder another apartment complex in February 1990," said a spokesperson for the trust.

Vinland Property Trust is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates primarily in Texas and Oklahoma.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Freddie Mac (NYSE: FRE) today announced it will begin purchasing balloon/reset mortgages through Gold Cash and swapping them for Gold Mortgage Participation Certificates (PCs) under the Guarantor program. The announcement was made during the Mortgage Bankers Association annual convention this week.

Gold Balloons are conventional, fixed-rate mortgages due in five or seven years with monthly payments based on a 30-year amortization schedule. At the end of five or seven years, the borrower has the option to either repay the loan or reset the interest rate and extend the mortgage for 25 or 23 years, respectively, provided the borrower meets certain conditions.

"Freddie Mac's Gold Balloons offer unparalleled flexibility to match borrower and investor needs," said Rich Bryan, senior vice president of operations and acting national sales director of the marketing and sales division.

"Balloon/reset mortgages appeal to homebuyers because they're tailored to their lifestyles. Borrowers who plan to stay in a home between five and seven years find the balloon/reset mortgage to be a great alternative because it

provides flexibility and generally lower start rates than the 30-year mortgage."

Bryan emphasized that investors holding Freddie Mac Gold PCs backed by balloon/reset mortgages get a double advantage. The securities backing them offer a shorter term and a more predictable maturity range than traditional 15- or 30-year mortgage-backed securities and, consequently, a very competitive price. They also offer the shortest investor payment delay of any conventional mortgage pass-through security available today.

Lenders will now be able to use Freddie Mac's Gold Cash and Gold PCs when selling balloon/reset mortgages to the corporation. Both offer Freddie Mac's competitive secondary market pricing and will give lenders the ability to offer homebuyers a lower start rate and investors an attractive short-term security.

For a borrower to reset the loan, the new note rate cannot be more than five percentage points over the original rate, the property securing the mortgage must be owner-occupied and have no additional liens, encumbrances or defects against the property, and the mortgage must not have been delinquent during the 12 months prior to the maturity date. The borrower must also make a written request of the note holder to reset the mortgage.

Freddie Mac is a stockholder-owned corporation chartered by Congress in 1970 to create a continuous flow of funds to mortgage lenders in support of home ownership and rental housing. By linking the capital markets with the mortgage markets, Freddie Mac brings the efficiencies and lower costs of the secondary mortgage market to the lender, the investor and the homebuyer.

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BOSTON (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - NCR's (NYSE: NCR) release of OSI communications software is the industry's first implementation of OSI across an entire range of systems.

This set of networking software for the NCR System 3000 allows users to implement the seven layers of the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) Reference Model across their entire enterprise, from a single workstation to a large, enterprise-level processing system.

As a result, users can run current industry-standard OSI applications immediately and add other OSI capabilities as they become available, allowing them to migrate to OSI at their own pace.

NCR delivers the core of this communications software set to provide compatibility with OSI layers 2 - 7 as a standard feature of the UNIX V.4 operating system for the NCR System 3300, 3400, and 3500 at no extra cost.

This software makes the System 3000s OSI-Ready, that is, able to participate in an OSI network and run OSI applications. Because the system 3000 is scalable, users have the flexibility to expand their systems to meet growing application and communication requirements.

Along with the standard layers provided with the UNIX V.4 operating system, users can add new OSI application services for X.400 Message Handling System, X.500, Directory Services, File Transfer Access and Management (FTAM), Virtual Terminal, and the X.400-based NCRMail application so that users can run network applications after they have established their OSI-based network.

By making OSI a standard feature today in the System 3000, users can install the System 3000 to run their existing applications today, whether or not those existing applications are OSI-compatible, and can implement OSI at their own pace without obsoleting or requiring additional software for the System 3000.

General customer availability is first quarter 1991 for the UNIX V.4 operating system on the System 3300, 3400, and 3500. U.S. license fees for the OSI application services range from $800 to $44,700 depending on application and model. OSIready is a trademark of NCR Corporation. UNIX is a registered trademark of AT&T.

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OSLO, NORWAY (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The DnB Group's results for the second four-month period of 1990 were presented today by group Managing Director Egil Gade Greve. He stated that the results for the second four-month period are a definite step in the right direction. "Den norske Bank is on schedule with respect to both the results for the second interim and the merger."

"Den norske Bank Group showed a positive trend from the first to the second interim this year. Profits before loan loss provisions and taxes increased from NOK 928 million for the first four months of the year to NOK 1,021 million in the May to August period. Furthermore, the net loss of NOK 491 million in the first interim has been turned round to a net profit of NOK 137 million in the second interim. The bank's net loss for the first eight months of the year has thus been brought down from NOK 491 million at end-April to NOK 354 million at end-August.

Cost Reductions According to Plan

Operating expenses for the first eight months of the year have been cut by

NOK 166 million compared with the same period last year in spite of the fact that merger costs totalling NOK 150 million have been charged to the accounts.

"Staff reductions have progressed according to plan. This is a decisive factor as personnel expenses represent the major part of our total costs," Gade Greve said. He stated further that on a full-time basis the DnB Group had reduced the number of employees by 865 as at Oct. 1, while the target figure for the current year is 985. Further staff reductions are planned for 1991.

Gade Greve drew attention to the swift implementation of cost reductions in the DnB Group's international network.

Reduced Loan-Loss Provisions
Loan-loss provisions in the second four-month period amounted to NOK 884 million as against NOK 1,369 million in the first period. Loan-loss provisions for the first eight months of 1990 were NOK 120 million below those in the corresponding period last year.

Prospects For the Rest of 1990
"In the final months of the year, developments may to some extent be influenced by conditions beyond the bank's control. Uncertainty prevails with regard to both international developments and the Norwegian economy. Domestic developments have not yet provided the desired stimulus to that part of the business community which depends on the Norwegian market."

"It is our opinion that the net result for the final period can be expected to be at least on a level with the result for the second four- month period. Den norske Bank anticipates further cost reductions in the September-to-December period, partly because the substantial staff cuts will not be reflected in the accounts until towards the end of the year."

Meets Current Capital Adequacy Requirements with a Comfortable Margin
According to Gade Greve, Den norske Bank satisfies the minimum legal requirement for capital adequacy with a comfortable margin. The equity capital of the units for which the bank is required to maintain a minimum capital ratio, was 7.7 percent, while the minimum requirement is 6.5 percent. According to new capital adequacy requirements which are expected to be introduced from January 1991, the bank's capital ratio, based on equity as at Aug. 31 1990, will be 5.6 percent. By the end of 1992, the minimum capital ratio will have to be increased to 8 percent.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - John R. Stafford, chairman and chief executive officer of American Home Products Corporation (NYSE: AHP), today

reported sales and record earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the 1990 third quarter declined two percent from prior year levels to $1,743,463,000 although sales of continuing operations increased for the quarter. Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased one percent to $5,161,962,000.

The prior year periods and the 1990 nine month period included results from the company's worldwide household products and related businesses, which were sold effective June 29, 1990. Had these results been excluded, reported net sales would have increased five percent for the third quarter and three percent for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Third quarter 1990 net income increased 14 percent to $317,551,000. Net income per share increased 13 percent from $.89 to $1.01. Net income for the nine month period increased 13 percent in 1990 to $902,389,000, while net income per share increased 12 percent from $2.56 to $2.87.

Net sales of health care products increased six percent for the third quarter and three percent for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Worldwide pharmaceutical sales increased ten percent for the third quarter and four percent for the first nine months of 1990.

Consumer health care sales declined four percent worldwide in the 1990 third quarter and were flat compared with 1989 levels for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Medical supplies and diagnostic product sales increased ten percent in the third quarter and seven percent in the nine month period.

Net sales of food and household products declined in the 1990 third quarter and nine month periods due to the sale of the company's worldwide household products and related businesses effective June 29, 1990. Food product sales were one percent higher for the 1990 third quarter and three percent higher for the nine month period.

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company's (NYSE: EK) Consumer Imaging Division has donated 15 professional movie projectors, model AV1000 to U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia. The projectors, which retail for $1,885 each, will be used during operation Desert Shield to entertain the U.S. troops.

"Despite all of the electronic advances with VCR projection," said Jim Tait, director of military sales for the Consumer Imaging Division, "conventional

movie projection still offers the easiest way to reach large numbers of people quickly with a minimum of fuss."

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NEWARK, NJ (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Prudential officially entered the life insurance business in Taiwan today. Taking another important step in its international expansion, the company formally inaugurated its new Taiwanese life insurance organization with a ceremony in the capital city of Taipei.

The new unit, which was licensed in 1989 and built from scratch over the past two years, commences operations with more than 70 employees working out of a headquarters and four field offices in Taipei.

The Prudential will sell and underwrite in Taiwan a range of individual whole life and term insurance products, as well as endowment plans, targeted mainly to middle- and upper-income residents.

Unlike Taiwanese insurers, who primarily market short-term, savings-oriented endowments through part-time agents, The Prudential initially plans to emphasize long-term protection products and personal service through a full-time, highly trained professional sales force. In the future, the company will introduce and market a full range of innovative products and services.

"We see Taiwan as one of the most attractive life insurance markets in Asia," said Kenneth J. O'Dea, president of Prudential's Asian Region, at the ceremony today.

"Total premium income throughout Taiwan has increased by more than 20 percent annually over the past five years, and prospects for future growth are extremely promising," he said. The country has had one of the world's fastest-growing economies in recent years, O'Dea noted, and its relatively young population still owns very little life insurance.

"Quality service, provided by a sales force of full-time, professional sales and service representatives, is what really will differentiate us from the competition in Taiwan," said Prudential President Joseph J. Melone at the Taipei ceremony. "As we do throughout The Prudential, we will be placing significant emphasis on ensuring complete customer satisfaction both before and after each sale is made."

President and Chief Executive Officer of Prudential's Taiwan organization is Li-Chieh Chen, a Taiwan native with more than 15 years of insurance industry experience, both in Taiwan and the U.S. Chief actuary and financial officer is Shirley H. Shao, also a Taiwan native and an experienced insurance executive.

Calvin Y.Y. Wong of hong Kong is chief marketing officer.

Taiwan is the third country outside of North America in which The Prudential has begun selling insurance. The company has been operating in Japan for nearly ten years, and started selling insurance products in Spain earlier this year.

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AUGUSTA, GA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Bankers First Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: BNKF) today announced third quarter earnings per share of $.30, a 3.4 percent increase over the $.29 per share earned for the 1989 period.

Net income for the 1990 quarter was $1.303 million compared to $1.243 million for the 1989 quarter, an increase of 4.8 percent.

Year-to-date earnings totaled $.90 per share for 1990 compared to $.86 per share for 1989. Net income year-to-date was $3.894 million for 1990 compared to $3.685 million for 1989. Tangible book value per share rose 9.3 percent to $14.77 at Sept. 30 from $13.51 at Sept. 30, 1989. Book value per share rose 4.0 percent to $19.36 at quarter end compared to $18.62 at Sept. 30, 1989.

H.M. Osteen Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, commented: "The continued improvement in the interest spread combined with our ongoing efforts to reduce general and administrative expense has resulted in net interest income exceeding overhead by $.9 million for the third quarter which continues the trend established in the prior quarter.

"We are also pleased that through the hard work and dedication of our employees, repossessed assets decreased by $4.2 million during the third quarter to reach their lowest level since June 1988."

Third quarter results included non-recurring gains of $1.3 million related to the sale of two branch offices and a $.9 million gain on sale of a portion of the credit card portfolio. These gains were substantially offset by a $2.9 million charge to the provision for loan losses. This represents a $2.2 million increase to the provision over 1990 quarterly amounts.

The company also declared its regular quarterly dividend of $.07 per share. The dividend will be paid to stockholders of record on Oct. 31. The payments will be made on Nov. 15.

Bankers First Corp. is a financial services company principally serving the Augusta, Athens, Rossville (Chattanooga, Tenn.) and Savannah, Ga., markets with 36 banking offices and 34 automated teller machines. The company's

common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System using the symbol BNKF. The abbreviation found in most newspaper listings is "Bankers First."

BANKERS FIRST CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition (Unaudited)

($ in thousands, except per share amounts)

At Sept. 31	1990	1989
ASSETS Cash and amounts due from depository institutions	$ 36,773	$ 34,138
Interest bearing deposits	45,247	43,600
Federal funds sold, at cost	70	50
Investment securities, at amortized cost	48,154	52,908
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	12,333	12,785
Mortgage-backed securities, at amortized cost	239,254	226,265
Loans receivable, net	992,039	1,090,667
Premises and equipment, net	27,637	29,883
Investment properties	16,271	15,324
Repossessed assets	16,468	22,371
Accrued interest receivable	15,843	17,023
Cost in excess of net assets acquired	19,968	21,943
Other assets	9,764	11,527
Total	$1,479,821	$1,578,484
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Deposits	$1,172,545	$1,227,455
Retail repurchase agreements	14,072	17,069
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	6,450	7,016
Other borrowings	185,370	227,124
Other liabilities	17,135	19,693
Total liabilities	1,395,572	1,498,357
Stockholders' equity: Common stock, $.01 par value; authorized 12,500,000 shares; issued and outstanding 4,348,240 shares in 1990 and 4,266,246 shares in 1989	43	43
Serial preferred stock, $.01 par value; authorized 7,500,000 shares; none outstanding	--	--
Additional paid-in capital	54,247	53,815
Retained earnings (substantially restricted)	32,797	29,262
Loans to and guarantees of indebtedness of Employee Stock Ownership Plan and others	(2,838)	(3,193)
Total stockholders' equity	84,249	79,927
Total	$1,479,821	$1,578,284
BOOK VALUE PER SHARE	$19.36	$18.62

Consolidated Statements of Financial Operations (Unaudited)

($ in thousands, except per-share amounts)

3 mos. ended	9/30/90	9/30/89
Interest income: Interest on loans and mortgage-backed securities	$ 33,296	$ 32,833
Dividends on Federal Home Loan Bank stock	269	319
Other interest income	2,418	5,349
Total interest income	35,983	38,501
Interest expense:		
Interest on deposits	22,319	24,190
Interest on retail repurchase agreements	207	265
Interest on Federal Home Loan Bank advances	4,681	5,990
Total interest expense	27,207	30,445
Net interest income	8,776	8,056
Provision for loan losses	2,930	695
Net interest income (expense) after provision for loan losses	5,846	7,361
Other income:		
Loan servicing fees	151	109
Loan fees & service charges	403	503
Service charges on deposit accounts	1,481	1,332
Gain on sale of loans	38	761
Gain on sale of servicing of loans	221	275
Gain on sale of investment securities	(1)	7
Real estate operations	260	(482)
Other	1,892	341
Total other income	4,445	2,846
Operating expense:		
Salaries and employee benefits	3,624	3,826
Net occupancy expense	1,990	2,015
Advertising and promotion	172	236
FDIC insurance expense	607	524
Amortization of costs in excess of net assets acquired	376	375
Other	1,475	1,585
Total operating expense	8,244	8,561
Net non-interest expense	3,799	5,715
Income before income taxes	2,047	1,646
Income tax expense	744	403
Net income	$ 1,303	$ 1,243
Net income per share	$ 0.30	$ 0.29
Wtd. avg. shares outstanding (000s)	4,350	4,286

9 mos. ended	9/30/90	9/30/89
Interest income: Interest on loans and mortgage-backed securities	$101,751	$107,152
Dividends on Federal Home Loan Bank stock	805	909
Other interest income	6,206	7,200
Total interest income	108,762	115,261
Interest expense:		

Interest on deposits	67,703	70,486
Interest on retail repurchase agreements	565	827
Interest on Federal Home Loan Bank advances	14,368	19,561
Total interest expense	82,636	90,874
Net interest income	26,126	24,387
Provision for loan losses	4,295	1,719
Net interest income (expense) after provision for loan losses	21,831	22,668
Other income:		
Loan servicing fees	422	293
Loan fees & service charges	1,175	1,509
Service charges on deposit accounts	4,373	3,802
Gain on sale of loans	384	1,480
Gain on sale of servicing of loans	536	878
Gain on sale of investment securities	7	(147)
Real estate operations	143	(1,065)
Other	2,289	992
Total other income	9,329	7,742
Operating expense:		
Salaries and employee benefits	11,069	11,358
Net occupancy expense	5,885	5,974
Advertising and promotion	555	830
FDIC insurance expense	1,826	1,779
Amortization of costs in excess of net assets acquired	1,137	1,133
Other	4,647	4,420
Total operating expense	25,119	25,494
Net non-interest expense	15,790	17,752
Income before income taxes	6,041	4,916
Income tax expense	2,147	1,231
Net income	$ 3,894	$ 3,685
Net income per share	$ 0.90	$ 0.86
Wtd. avg. shares outstanding (000s)	4,329	4,272

Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

3 mos. ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Pct. chg.
($ in thousands, except per share amounts)			
FOR THE PERIOD			
Net interest income	$ 8,776	$ 8,056	8.9
Provision for loan losses	2,930	695	321.6
Non-interest income	4,445	2,846	56.2
Non-interest expense	8,244	8,561	(3.7)
Net income	1,303	1,243	4.8
PER SHARE			
Earnings	$ 0.30	$ 0.29	3.4
Dividends paid	0.07	0.07	NA
Book value	19.36	18.62	4.0
Tangible book value	14.77	13.51	9.3

ASSET YIELDS/FUNDS COST			
Yield on earning assets	10.43 pct.	10.61 pct.	(1.7)
Cost of funds	7.66	8.10	(5.4)
Interest spread	2.77	2.51	10.4
PERFORMANCE MEASURES			
Return on average assets	0.34 pct.	0.31 pct.	9.7
Return on average equity	6.24	6.28	(0.6)
Net yield on average earning assets	2.60	2.28	14.0
G & A expenses/average assets	2.08	2.06	1.0
Non-performing assets/ total assets	2.58	2.57	0.4
AT PERIOD END			
Assets	$1,479,821	$1,578,284	(6.2)
Deposit	1,172,545	1,227,455	(4.5)
Loans receivable and mortgage-backed securities	1,231,293	1,316,932	(6.5)
Earning assets	1,337,097	1,426,275	(6.3)
Non-performing assets	38,137	40,532	(5.9)
Shareholders' equity	84,249	79,927	5.4
Equity/assets	5.69 pct.	5.06 pct.	12.4
Shares outstanding (in 000s)	4,352	4,292	1.4
AVERAGE BALANCES			
Assets	$1,516,536	$1,593,042	(4.8)
Deposits and repurchase agreements	1,210,238	1,236,044	(2.1)
Loans receivable and mortgage-backed securities	1,250,784	1,327,335	(5.8)
Earning assets	1,378,796	1,448,854	(4.8)
Shares outstanding (in 000s)	4,350	4,286	1.5

9 mos. ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Pct. chg.
($ in thousands, except per share amounts)			
FOR THE PERIOD			
Net interest income	$26,126	$24,387	7.1
Provision for loan losses	4,295	1,719	149.9
Non-interest income	9,329	7,742	20.5
Non-interest expense	25,119	25,494	(1.5)
Net income	3,894	3,685	5.7
PER SHARE			
Earnings	$ 0.90	$ 0.86	4.7
Dividends paid	0.21	0.14	NA
Book value	19.36	18.62	4.0
Tangible book value	14.77	13.51	9.3
ASSET YIELDS/FUNDS COST			
Yield on earning assets	10.46 pct.	10.51 pct.	(0.5)
Cost of funds	7.76	8.06	(3.7)
Interest spread	2.70	2.45	10.2
PERFORMANCE MEASURES			

Return on average assets	0.34 pct.	0.29 pct	17.2
Return on average equity	6.31	5.90	6.9
Net yield on average earning assets	2.49	2.21	12.7
G & A expenses/average assets	2.10	2.02	4.0
Non-performing assets/ total assets	2.58	2.57	0.4
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Equity/assets	5.69 pct.	5.06 pct.	12.4
Shares outstanding (in 000s)	4,352	4,292	1.4
AVERAGE BALANCES			
Assets	$1,525,566	$1,608,704	(5.2)
Deposits and repurchase agreements	1,214,627	1,232,298	(1.4)
Loans receivable and mortgage-backed securities	1,276,592	1,344,975	(5.1)
Earning assets	1,386,502	1,462,379	(5.2)
Shares outstanding (in 000s)	4,329	4,272	1.3

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SCHAUMBURG, IL (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The W.T. Grimm & Co. unit of Merrill Lynch Business Brokerage and Valuation said today the total value of announced merger and acquisition transactions disclosing a purchase price dropped 61 percent in the 1990 third quarter to $28.2 billion from $71.9 billion in the 1989 third quarter, and was relatively flat versus the 1990 second quarter announcements of $29.7 billion.

The number of mergers and acquisitions announced in the 1990 third quarter fell 13.1 percent to 584 from the 672 announced a year earlier, and 2.5 percent from the 599 announced in the 1990 second quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990 announced mergers and acquisitions declined 12 percent to 1,745 from 1,977 a year earlier. The total value of announced transactions disclosing a purchase price was $91.3 billion, less than half last year's $188.1 billion.

As a result of decreased activity and lower total value, the average

transaction price announced in the 1990 nine months fell 38.8 percent to $127.8 million from $208.7 million in the 1989 nine month period and the median price offered was down 31.8 percent to $24 million from $35.2 million a year earlier.

The total value of the ten largest transactions announced in the 1990 nine months is almost 60 percent lower than the value of the ten largest in the comparable 1989 period, $27.1 billion versus $66.7 billion, and less than the total of the two largest deals announced in the 1989 nine months.

The two largest deals announced in the 1990 nine months are the acquisition of Contel Corporation by GTE Corporation for $6.4 billion and the purchase of UAL Corporation by a private group for $4.4 billion. These potential deals, which are uncertain to close, are dwarfed by the two top 1989 nine month deals: the statutory merger of Beecham Group Plc and Smithkline Beckman Corp. valued at $16.1 billion and the acquisition of Squibb Corp. by Bristol-Myers Co. for $12 billion.

The number of announced divestitures was down 13 percent in the 1990 nine months to 772 from 887 in the comparable 1989 period. Despite the decrease, divestitures continue to play a significant role in merger and acquisition activity in 1990, accounting for about 44 percent of the announced deals in the 1990 nine months.

Headquartered in Schaumburg, Merrill Lynch Business Brokerage and Valuation specializes in business interest valuations as well as the purchase, sale and merger of middle market companies. Its W.T. Grimm & Co. unit is the publisher of Mergerstat Review and its merger data bank is one of the oldest and most extensive of its kind having recorded approximately 80,000 transactions since 1963.

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PRINCETON, N.J. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Cytogen Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTO) today announced the appointment of Martin D. Cleary to the newly created position of group vice president and chief financial officer effective immediately.

Previously, Cleary was vice president of finance and administration and CFO for the company which specializes in the development of monoclonal antibody-based delivery systems for diagnostic and therapeutic applications in human healthcare.

In this new position, Cleary will be responsible for marketing and corporate communications in addition to his current responsibilities in finance and

personnel. Cleary, who joined Cytogen in 1986, has more than 18 years of managerial experience including a number of senior management positions at Johnson & Johnson. Prior to joining Cytogen, Cleary was vice president of operations at Iolab Corp., a Johnson & Johnson subsidiary in Claremont, Calif.

In making the announcement, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer George W. Ebright said, "Marty brings with him management expertise which gives Cytogen tremendous strength in planning the successful commercialization of our OncoScint (R) and OncoTc cancer imaging franchise products."

Cytogen Corp. is a biopharmaceutical company which has developed proprietary systems for linking drugs and diagnostic agents to monoclonal antibodies in order to optimize the function of the antibody as a delivery vehicle. With major emphasis on human cancer, current product development efforts at Cytogen are focused on improved cancer diagnostic imaging agents and the targeted delivery of cancer therapeutic agents directly to tumor sites.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - In its most recent filings with the federal government, Grace Specialty Chemicals Co. reported that it reduced its reportable emissions in 1989 compared with 1988 by nearly 8 percent. These are the first results announced since the company said it planned to reduce emissions by 50 percent over the next five years.

Grace Specialty Chemicals is the largest operating unit of W. R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA), an international specialty chemical company with interests in energy, manufacturing and service businesses with sales exceeding $6 billion.

"We have stated publicly that Grace Specialty Chemicals plans to cut its emissions by half over the next five years, and this puts us in a strong position to do so," said Donald H. Kohnken, president of Grace Specialty Chemicals Co. "This performance is due to the work of our environmental specialists who continually develop new methods for waste minimization and who look to employ the latest technology." He added that the reduction was important because it was achieved even though manufacturing volume increased.

The company's results are reported to the federal government under the SARA Title III requirements whereby emissions of certain chemicals must be tabulated. Grace reported a reduction of 47 percent in 1988 as compared with 1987.

Grace Specialty Chemicals Co. employs more than 100 specialists in the area of environmental safety and has budgeted to spend more than $80 million on those

efforts this year, 25 percent higher than 1989 spending.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Loyola Capital Corp. (NASDAQ: LOYC), the holding company for Loyola Federal Savings and Loan, today announced net income of 53 cents per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, compared with third quarter 1989 earnings of 51 cents per share.

Net income was $2.5 million for the quarter, as compared with $2.6 million earned during the comparable period in 1989.

Year-to-date net income was $7.5 million ($1.56 per share). During the first nine months of 1989, the corporation earned $7.9 million ($1.56 per share).

Net interest income was $12.5 million for the third quarter, up 12.7 percent from $11.1 million earned during the third quarter of 1989. Year-to-date net interest income of $36.7 million rose 6.3 percent over the $34.5 million earned in 1989. The corporation benefited from a wider spread between the cost of deposits and the yield on loans and investments.

The provision for loan losses was increased by $1.4 million, increasing the general loan loss reserve to $9.7 million. The increase was necessary to recognize the effect on the automobile loan portfolio of the continuing decline in the mid-Atlantic regional economy.

Non-interest income increased by $1.6 million primarily as a result of a $2 million one-time gain received in connection with a real estate project in South Carolina.

Non-interest expenses increased by $1.7 million including a provision for losses on investments in real estate of $750,000.

Asset quality remained high at Loyola, with non-performing assets now constituting only 1.5 percent of total assets, which is considered favorable by industry standards.

Continuing a two-year stock buyback program, Loyola Capital repurchased 136,464 shares of its common stock during the quarter. "Like many strong financial institutions, the value of our franchise is not reflected in the price of our stock due to the drumbeat of negative press coverage," said Joseph W. Mosmiller, chairman and chief executive officer. Mosmiller said the board of directors authorized the repurchase program to support the stock and increase book value and earnings per share. Primarily as a result of the buyback, average shares outstanding during the third quarter declined to

4,698,286 from 5,074,114 in 1989.

Book value of the common stock reached $29.50 per share and stockholders' equity grew to $135.2 million at Sept. 30. Total deposits of $1.54 billion were up 1.4 percent over $1.52 billion one year ago.

Loyola Capital Corp., headquartered in Baltimore, is the holding company for Loyola Federal Savings and Loan Association. Loyola's 32 retail branches are located throughout the state of Maryland and in the Washington metropolitan area. With more than a century's experience in retail services and mortgage lending, Loyola has diversified through subsidiaries into real estate appraisal, auto and boat financing, insurance and real estate development.

LOYOLA CAPITAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition
(Unaudited; in thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Assets:		
Cash and demand deposits	$14,420	$13,897
Money market investments	58,208	77,454
Investment securities	17,470	16,402
Mortgage-backed securities	135,355	136,077
Loans receivable, net	1,799,251	1,768,169
Ground rents owned, at cost	3,569	3,605
Investments in real estate	58,833	65,251
Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta stock, at cost	17,365	15,070
Property and equipment	22,647	22,156
Prepaid expenses and other assets	3,857	2,422
Deferred income taxes	2,005	2,005
Total	2,132,980	2,122,508
Liabilities and stockholders'equity: Liabilities:		
Deposits	$1,537,355	$1,521,927
Notes payable and other borrowings	417,986	427,204
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes, insurance and ground rents	17,701	20,469
Outstanding drafts payable	12,594	12,757
Federal and state income taxes	990	284
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	11,183	9,757
Total liabilities	1,997,809	1,992,398
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock	458	480
Additional paid-in capital	54,547	56,914
Retained income -- substantially restricted	80,166	72,716
Total stockholders' equity	135,171	130,110
Total	2,132,980	2,122,508
Book value per common share	$29.50	$27.11

LOYOLA CAPITAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Income
(In thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended	Quarters		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest income:				
Interest on loans receivable	$46,235	$45,940	$136,634	$133,954
Interest on mortgage-backed securities	2,940	2,919	8,777	8,704
Interest on investments	2,773	3,209	8,292	9,128
Total interest income	51,948	52,068	153,703	151,786
Interest expense:				
Interest on deposits	30,127	30,685	90,191	88,159
Interest on notes payable and other borrowings	9,289	10,259	26,866	29,153
Total interest expense	39,416	40,944	117,057	117,312
Net interest income	12,532	11,124	36,646	34,474
Provision for loan losses	2,777	1,378	6,156	4,938
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	9,755	9,746	30,490	29,536
Non-interest income:				
Loan fees and service charges	1,613	1,384	4,879	4,290
Service fees on deposits	118	121	353	361
Gain on sales of loans, net	448	528	1,107	1,072
Gain on sales of investment securities	147	563	213	563
Equity in net income of real estate joint ventures	539	841	1,639	2,389
Other	3,184	988	5,954	3,870
Total non-interest income	6,049	4,425	14,145	12,545
Non-interest expenses:				
Salaries and employee benefits	5,369	5,031	15,568	14,672
Rent and other occupancy expenses	912	849	2,618	2,439
Advertising	440	517	1,325	1,515
Equipment expense	998	949	2,945	2,730
Federal deposit insurance and fees	925	709	2,613	2,098
Other operating expenses	3,003	1,873	7,167	5,777
Total non-interest expenses	11,647	9,928	32,236	29,231
Income before income taxes	4,157	4,243	12,399	12,850
Income taxes	1,681	1,658	4,949	4,988
Net income	2,476	2,585	7,450	7,862
Net income per common share	$.53	$.51	$1.56	$1.56
Average shares of common stock and common stock equivalents outstanding	4,698,286	5,074,114	4,773,651	5,046,083

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ERIE, PA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Spectrum Control, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SPEC), a worldwide manufacturer of electronic components, today reported results for the 39 weeks and third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

For the third quarter, the company sustained a net loss of $963,000 or ten cents per share on sales of $7,472,000, versus a loss of $744,000 or 14 cents per share on sales of $7,258,000 for the same period last year.

Net loss for the first 39 weeks of 1990 was $2,298,000 or 28 cents per share on sales of $23,965,000, compared to a net loss of $665,000 or 12 cents per share on sales of $23,175,000 for the like period of the prior year.

"These results do not reflect the substantial progress achieved in refocusing operations on our core electromagnetic filtering technology and business and implementation of extensive cost reduction programs," Jack Johnston, president and chief executive officer, said.

"While the previously announced consolidation of our west coast manufacturing facility into our Fairview, Pa., plant negatively impacted third quarter results, benefits from the move will become apparent in fiscal 1991," he added.

"The reorganization of sales and marketing activities also is designed to reduce costs beginning next year, while increasing our contact with customers and enhancing our responsiveness to their needs," Johnston continued.

"We continue efforts to divest ourselves of Spectrum Polytronics, which will enable us to concentrate all of our efforts in the growing electromagnetic compatibility marketplace where we have earned and maintain a strong niche position," he concluded.

Spectrum Control designs, manufactures and markets a broad line of electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) products designed to protect electronic equipment against interference form random electromagnetic waves and to fulfill other electronic circuit needs.

Spectrum provides an integrated approach to EMC problem solving by offering customers a broad range of consulting, diagnostic testing, and manufacturing services.

These services include testing for EMC problems (at the company's facilities or on location), analyzing test results, proposing design solutions, producing the required components, and supplying these components to over 1,300 customers for use in communications systems, data processing, telecommunications, process control, and other equipment.

CONTACT: Hal LeVay of Porter, LeVay & Rose, (212) 564-4700, for Spectrum Control.

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COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Banc One Corporation, Columbus, Ohio (NYSE: ONE) reported third quarter earnings of $109.1 million or $.68 per share. Earnings per share were 6.3 percent higher than 1989 third quarter earnings of $.64.

For the nine month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, Banc One's net income was $314.9 million or $2.08 per share. This represents an increase of 10.6 percent over 1989 earnings of $1.88 per share.

Third quarter net income was a record, representing an increase of 18.8 percent over third quarter 1989, and 4.9 percent over the previous record level of net income reported last quarter.

During the third quarter, Banc One completed a $200 million subordinated debt offering. The proceeds of this offering, along with Banc One's $325 million common stock offering and repayment of certain loans to subsidiaries, have enabled the corporation to reduce its commercial paper borrowings from $1 billion to less than $300 million.

John B. McCoy, chairman and chief executive officer of Banc One, said, "We are very pleased to have successfully issued at our own discretion both stock and debt during the last six months, especially in the current environment for banks."

He noted that Banc One has raised over 20 percent of all new capital publicly raised by United States banks this year. McCoy continued, "As of Sept. 30, 1990, Banc One's primary capital exceeded $3 billion and was 10.86 percent of assets, the highest ratio in our history."

Banc One's provision for loan and lease losses in the third quarter was $76.2 million, an increase of 24.5 percent over the second quarter and 33 percent above the third quarter of 1989. This increased provision covered net charge-offs of $66.6 million in the third quarter and funded the increase in the loan loss reserve to 1.47 percent of ending loans.

Non-performing assets, including other real estate owned totalled $405 million as of Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $340 million at the end of June, and $291 million one year ago. This represented 2.04 percent of loans and leases compared to 1.77 percent at the end of June, and 1.64 percent a year ago.

Annualized third quarter net charge-offs of 1.36 percent compare to 1.19

percent recorded in the third quarter of 1989. McCoy said, "The increased provision reflects the continued deterioration of the economy." He added, "We expect no significant adverse results from the normal annual regulatory examination now in process."

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#90289p5295 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

STATE COLLEGE, PA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard E. Perry, chairman, president and chief executive officer of C-COR Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CCBL), today announced the financial results for the first quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990.

C-COR reported net loss of $244,000 on sales of $10,144,000. This compares to net income of $1,113,000 on sales of $13,227,000 for the first quarter of the previous year. Loss per share for the quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, was $.06. This compares to earnings per share of $.26 for the same quarter of the previous year. C-COR's fiscal year ends on June 30.

As reported in an earlier release on the anticipated first quarter results, Perry stated, "If cable legislation is settled quickly and Congress attacks the deficit problem, we expect market conditions to improve dramatically. We are well-prepared for a return to pre-slowdown production levels once legislation is settled and market conditions improve."

C-COR, founded over 35 years ago, designs and manufactures high quality electronic equipment used in cable television and data communication systems. C-COR's headquarters is in State College, Pa., with production facilities in Tipton and State College, Pa. C-COR Electronics Canada Inc., a subsidiary of C-COR Electronics Inc., is located in Ontario, Canada. C-COR/COMLUX Inc., C-COR's newest subsidiary manufacturing digital fiber optic products, is located in Mountain View, Calif. C-COR Europe B.V., C-COR's European marketing arm, is located in The Netherlands. C-COR's common stock is listed in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CCBL.

C-COR ELECTRONICS INC.

Quarter Ended	Sept. 28, 1990	Sept. 29, 1989
Net sales	$10,144,000	$13,227,000
Net income (loss)	(244,000)	1,113,000
Earnings (loss) per share	$(0.06)	$0.26
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	4,391,666	4,349,489

Consolidated Statements of Income

(unaudited in thousands of dollars except per share amounts)

Increase

Three Months Ended	Sept. 28, 1990	Sept. 29, 1989	(Decrease) Percent
Net sales	$10,144	$13,227	(23)
Cost of sales	7,489	9,207	(19)
Sales and administrative	2,234	1,902	17
Research and product development costs	830	598	39
Foreign exchange loss (gain)	(181)	(293)	(38)
Interest expense	48	18	167
Investment income	(83)	(65)	28
Other expenses (income)	201	65	209
	$10,538	$11,432	(8)
Income from operations before income taxes	(394)	1,795	
Income taxes (benefit)	(150)	682	
Net income (loss)	(244)	1,113	
Earnings (loss) per share	$(0.06)	$0.26	
Weighted average number of common shares outstdg.	4,391,666	4,349,489	

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ADDISON, ILL. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Hako Minuteman, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HAKO) said today that results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, appear to signal a halt from the downward trend experienced earlier in the year.

Net income in the 1990 third quarter was $607,000, or 17 cents per share, down 16.5 percent from the $727,000, or 20 cents per share, earned in the 1989 period. Net sales were $7,852,000, compared to $8,003,000 a year earlier.

For the nine months, net income was $1,749,000, or 48 cents per share, down 25 percent from $2,331,000, or 64 cents per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net sales were $23,073,000, compared to $24,754,000.

Jerome E. Rau, president and chief executive officer, said that while sales continue to be adversely affected by the severe downturn in the asbestos abatement industry, this was offset somewhat by the introduction of new products which have been well received.

"Our customers have shown an enthusiastic reception for our competitively-priced compact automatic scrubbers which were recently introduced and we expect the same response to our new two-motor upright vacuum which we will showcase at the International Sanitation and Supply Show in Atlanta later this month," Rau said.

"We hope in spite of the sluggish economy that the introduction of these new products and initial new business will help our 1990 fourth quarter and that sales and income will compare favorably to 1989 fourth quarter results. The orders we have in house should help sales and income considerably in the 1991 first quarter."

Dividend Declared The board of directors has declared a dividend of 5 cents per share on the company's common stock, payable Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 31, 1990. Hako Minuteman paid an initial dividend of 5 cents per share on Nov. 15, 1988, and has paid quarterly dividends of 5 cents per share since that time.

Headquartered in Addison, Hako Minuteman, Inc., manufactures one of the most complete lines of commercial and industrial vacuums, floor and carpet care equipment and chemical cleaning and coating products in the United States and Canada.

HAKO MINUTEMAN, INC., AND SUBSIDIARIES
(Consolidated, Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share data)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Pct. Chang.
Net sales	$7,852	$8,003	(1.9)
Cost of sales	4,984	5,023	(0.8)
Gross profit	2,868	2,980	(3.8)
Selling expenses	1,524	1,455	4.7
General & administrative expenses	438	394	11.2
Income from operations	906	1,131	(19.9)
Other income	92	63	46.0
Income before income taxes	998	1,194	(16.4)
Income tax expense	391	467	(16.3)
Net income	$ 607	$ 727	(16.5)
Net income per share	$.17	$.20	
Average number of shares outstanding	3,668	3,668	

Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Pct. Chng.
Net sales	$23,073	$24,754	(6.8)
Cost of sales	14,586	15,919	(8.4)
Gross profit	8,487	8,835	(3.9)
Selling expenses	4,515	4,124	9.5
General & administrative expenses	1,399	1,148	21.9
Income from operations	2,573	3,563	(27.8)
Other income	302	264	14.4
Income before income taxes	2,875	3,827	(24.9)
Income tax expense	1,126	1,496	(24.7)
Net income	$ 1,749	$ 2,331	(25.0)
Net income per share	$.48	$.64	
Average number of shares outstanding	3,668	3,668	

CONTACT: Jerome E. Rau, president and CEO of Hako Minuteman, 708-627-6900/

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ST. PAUL, MINN. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines today said it would raise fares 5.8 percent on tickets purchased on or after Oct. 31.

The price increase is designed to further combat higher operating costs resulting from fuel prices that have more than doubled since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

Northwest and other airlines already have raised fares 9.5 percent in two steps since late August.

Northwest, America's fourth largest airline, uses more than 5 million gallons of fuel a day.

CONTACT: Doug Miller or Bob Gibbons, 612-726-2331, of Northwest Airlines

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#90289p5306 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

LITTLE ROCK, ARK. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - ALLTEL Corporation's (NYSE: AT) board of directors voted today to increase the regular quarterly common dividend from 32 cents to 35 cents per share.

The new indicated annual dividend rate will be $1.40 per common share, an increase of 12 cents or 9.4 percent over the previous rate. This is the 30th consecutive annual dividend increase since the company's founding. The 35 cent common dividend is payable on Jan. 3, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 7, 1990.

Dividends were also declared on all series of the company's preferred stock. Preferred dividends are payable on Dec. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 23, 1990.

ALLTEL Corporation (AT) provides telephone service to more than 1.1 million customers in 25 states and has subsidiaries or investments in companies that provide cellular telephone, long-distance and information services, communications products and other related services.

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#90289p5307 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - At its regular meeting, the board of directors of Mellon Bank Corp. (NYSE: MEL) today declared a quarterly dividend of $0.35 per share on the corporation's common stockf, it was announced.

This represents no change from the previous quarterly amount. The board also declared a quarterly dividend on Mellon Series A preferred stock (NYSE: MEL Pr A) at the rate of $2.80 per share per annum and a quarterly dividend on Mellon Series B preferred stock (NYSE: MEL Pr B) at the rate of $1.6875 per share per annum.

The board declared quarterly dividends on Mellon Series C-2 preferred stock at the rate of $8.75 per share per annum and a quarterly dividend on Mellon Series D junior preferred stock of $.4025 per share. The board declared a quarterly dividend on Mellon Series G preferred stock at the rate of $9.50 per share per annum and a quarterly dividend on Mellon Series H preferred stock at the rate of $2.60 per share per annum.

Dividends on Mellon common stock, Series A preferred stock, Series B preferred stock, Series D junior preferred stock, Series G preferred stock and Series H preferred stock are payable on Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 29, 1990.

Dividends for Mellon Series C-2 preferred stock are payable on Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 1, 1990.

With assets of $29.4 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, Mellon Bank Corp. is one of the largest bank holding companies in the United States. Through its subsidiaries, it provides wholesale, middle market and retail banking, as well as numerous service products including trust and investment, cash management and financial data processing.

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#90289p5314 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHARLOTTE, N.C. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - CCAIR, Inc. doing business and USAir Express (NASDAQ-NMS: CCAR) (the "Company"), through its President, Roy H. Hagerty, announced that it intends to remain part of the USAir Express system and will present its position to the courts within a few days.

Mr. Hagerty's statement came in response to USAir's (NYSE: U) filing of a motion on Monday to terminate its Agreement with CCAIR.

"CCAIR was surprised and disappointed by USAir's action," Hagerty said. "We were working in good faith with USAir in an effort to better serve our respective and mutual passengers in the communities which we serve. We are shocked by this action."

"We are in full compliance with the terms of the Agreement with USAir and stand by our position that we are not in default under the terms of the agreement," Hagerty said. "We are considering several alternatives and will be in a position later this week to present our positions to the courts."

"It is our intention to remain part of the USAir Express system and to continue to provide the same safe and reliable service to our pasaengers that has been our hallmark over the years. We will maintain the highest safety standards required and expected of us," he said.

Hagerty also noted that the Agreement cannot be terminated without the express approval of the Bankruptcy Court. A hearing on this matter before the Bankruptcy Court has been set for November 5, 1990.

CONTACT: Jan S. Hagerty, CCAIR, Inc., 704-527-7670

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#90289p5315 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Reliance Group Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: REL), today declared the regular quarterly dividend on its common stock in the amount of $.08 per share, payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 14, 1990.

Reliance Group Holdings, Inc., headquartered in New York, has major property and casualty, life, title and mortgage insurance operations; engages in real estate development; provides consulting and technical services; and makes diversified investments. Reliance has assets of $10.6 billion and had 1989 revenues of $4.0 billion.

CONTACT: Brian T. Martin of Reliance Group Holdings, 212-909-1247

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#90289p5316 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Reliance Insurance Company today declared the regular quarterly dividend on its Series A preferred stock in the amount of $.67 per share, payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 14, 1990. The shares are listed on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange (symbol RIC Pr A).

Headquartered in Philadelphia, Reliance Insurance Company, with its

subsidiaries, is one of the nation's largest property and casualty stock insurance groups and is represented by more than 3,000 independent insurance agents in the United States.

Reliance Insurance is the largest subsidiary of Reliance Group Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: REL), headquartered in New York. Reliance Group Holdings has major property and casualty, life, title and mortgage insurance operations; engages in real estate development; provides consulting and technical services; and makes diversified investments. Reliance Group Holdings has assets of $10.6 billion and had 1989 revenues of $4.0 billion.

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#90289p5318 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OHIO (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Huffy Corporation (NYSE: HUF) today announced record sales and profits for the third quarter and for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net sales for the quarter were $118,425,000, surpassing last year's third quarter net sales of $103,359,000 by $15,066,000, or 15 percent. Net earnings for the quarter of $3,888,000 exceeded last year's earnings for this same period of $3,499,000 by more than 11 percent. Fully diluted earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 were $.41, compared to the $.39 earned for the same period in 1989.

Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $395,355,000, up 14 percent over sales of $346,448,000 for the comparable nine month period in 1989. Net earnings through Sept. 30, 1990 were $16,993,000, or $1.76 per common share, compared to $13,135,000, or $1.47 per common share, for the same period in 1989.

Richard L. Molen, president and chief operating officer, said, "Our results through Sept. 30, 1990 established new third quarter and nine month records for both sales and net earnings, and represent the sixth consecutive quarter in which we have established record performances. Third quarter results for all three business segments exceeded sales and operating earnings for the same period last year. The most notable improvements were made by the Huffy Bicycle Company in the Recreation and Leisure Time Products segment, and Gerry Baby Products Company in the Juvenile Products segment. In the Services for Retail segment, we believe that the investments which we have made over the last 18 months, particularly at Washington Inventory Service, are beginning to generate positive results."

Harry A. Shaw III, chairman and chief executive officer, continued, saying, "In addition to our outstanding operating results, on Oct. 4, 1990, Huffy Corporation announced that it had reached agreement with the Black & Decker Corporation to acquire for cash the U.S. and Canadian assets of its True Temper Hardware business and the capital stock of True Temper Limited

(Ireland). This transaction is expected to close within the next four weeks. True Temper is a major manufacturer of long handled garden tools, wheel goods, lawn spreaders, cutting tools and related products. We are very excited to add the True Temper Hardware business and its management team to Huffy. Acquisitions are an integral part of our long term strategy, and we believe that True Temper is an excellent strategic fit that will contribute to our future success. We anticipate that True Temper will increase both Huffy's earnings per share and return on equity during both 1990 and 1991."

Shaw also commented on the company's fourth quarter, saying, "Results for the next three months are highly dependent upon the condition of the U.S. economy, and the optimism of both retailers and consumers. Thus far, we have not experienced a widespread deterioration in orders or backlog."

Huffy Corporation is a major manufacturer of bicycles, juvenile and basketball products, and a nationwide supplier of assembly and inventory services to retailers.

CONTACT: Pamela J. Whipps, assistant treasurer and manager, investor relations of Huffy Corporation, 513-866-6251

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#90289p5323 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Mellon Bank Corp. (NYSE: MEL) said today that its board of directors has increased the number of shares authorized to be repurchased under a limited stock repurchase plan announced last October.

Mellon Bank has repurchased 500,000 of its outstanding shares of common stock to date under the stock repurchase plan, in connection with benefit plan requirements. The board today authorized the repurchase of up to 250,000 additional shares of common stock.

The stock repurchase plan authorizes the corporation to make repurchases from time to time in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions. Repurchased common shares will be added to the corporation's treasury shares and will be used to meet the corporation's current and near-term common stock requirements for its benefit plans. At Sept. 30, 1990, the corporation had 44.1 million shares of common stock outstanding.

In a separate action, the board of directors also authorized the corporation to make repurchases from time to time of any or all of the corporation's 2.6 million outstanding warrants to purchase common stock. The warrants, which are not listed on any exchange or actively traded, become available in the private market from time to time. A committee of the board will approve the terms of such repurchases as they may occur.

Each warrant is exercisable for one share of common stock at any time until

August 1994 for an exercise price of $25 per share. Three million warrants were issued as part of the corporation's 1988 capital financing plan. Approximately 400,000 warrants were tendered to the corporation through an exchange offer for Mellon common stock conducted earlier this year.

With assets of $29.4 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, Mellon Bank Corp. is one of the nation's largest bank holding companies. Through its subsidiaries, it engages in wholesale, middle market and retail banking, as well as numerous service products including trust and investment, financial data processing and cash management.

CONTACT: Charles M. Johnston, analysts, 412-234-5601; or outside Pa., 800-245-1094; or inside Pa., 800-872-3019; or Thomas W. Butch, media, 412-234-6436, both of Mellon Bank Corp.

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#90289p5324 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines (AMEX: CTA) today announced that R. Lamar Durrett has joined the company as executive vice president - administration and personnel.

Durrett joins Continental from Delta Air Lines, where he served most recently as vice president - communications and information services. During his 23 years with Delta, he held management positions in facilities, inflight service technical operations administration, and engineering/technical services.

In his new capacity at Continental, Durrett will have senior management responsibility for human resources, and management information services and related technology areas, including Continental's relationship with its CRS co-providers.

Durrett holds a bachelor's from Auburn University in building construction.

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#90289p5325 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - McGraw-Hill, Inc. (NYSE: MHP) reported net income of $67,354,000 for the third quarter, an increase of 5.1 percent from the same period last year. Revenue for the third quarter climbed 11.2 percent to $502,785,000. Earnings per share were $1.38 vs. $1.31 a year ago.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $121,046,000, a decline of 17.1 percent. Revenue for the period increased 8.6 percent to $1,380,577,000. Earnings per share for the first nine months were $2.48 compared with $2.99 last year.

"We successfully overcame several obstacles to produce third-quarter growth," said Joseph L. Dionne, chairman and chief executive officer of McGraw-Hill, Inc. "We had to contend with a non-repetitive gain of 20 cents per share last year from the sale of magazines and newsletters and a nearly $4 million increase in interest expense, the result of financing acquisitions made late in 1989 and at the beginning of 1990.

"Still, all four operating segments in the third quarter produced revenue gains and operating profits increased by 20.4 percent which includes an estimated $10 million of pre-tax savings from the realignment of operations in 1989.

"In Financial Services, a fine performance by MMS International, growth in Standard & Poor's Ratings business overseas and a surge in the ratings of mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities were all factors in the 40 percent increase in operating profits. The segment also benefited from the absence of losses at Numerax, which was sold earlier this year, and the shutdown of McGraw-Hill News.

"In Educational and Professional Publishing, our International Book operations the health care group, TAB Books and Shepard's, our legal publisher, all contributed to the 36.5 percent increase in the segment's operating profits. The College division had a promising start in July, but results for the quarter were disappointing.

"Broadcasting, aided by political advertising and good national business in September, finished the quarter strongly, but year-to-year profit comparisons were hurt by the 1989 sale of syndicated programming.

"Information and Publications Services profits were off 7.1 percent because of the adverse impact of economic uncertainty on advertising in Business Week and costs incurred in connection with the automation of F.W. Dodge.

"We realized a substantial gain in profits from our joint venture, the Macmillan/McGraw-Hill School Publishing Company. Our share of profits from this venture was $40.8 million, a 35 percent increase over last year. That is a notable achievement by a company formed only 15 months ago.

"At the start of the year, we said McGraw-Hill would earn between $3.50 and $4 per share in 1990. Despite a deteriorating economic outlook, we still believe we will achieve the lower end of that scale, another indication that the realignment of operations completed last year is working."

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TAMPA, FL (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Poe & Associates Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: POEA) announced continued growth in revenues for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30.

Total revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $34,470,000, as compared to $30,361,000 for the corresponding nine months in 1989. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30 was $3,203,000, as compared to $3,574,000 reported in 1989. Net income per share for the 1990 period was $.82, compared to $.93 reported in 1989.

Total revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30 were $11,598,000, vs. $11,179,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $1,103,000 compared to $1,553,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30 was $.28, compared to $.40 reported in 1989.

Chairman Bill Poe indicated that the increase in total revenues for the third quarter resulted from recent acquisitions. The decrease in third quarter net income was principally as a result of investments and acquisition costs.

Poe & Associates Inc., a general insurance agency headquartered in Tampa, is among the nation's leading independent insurance agency organizations. The company has offices throughout Florida, and in Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Georgia, New Jersey, North Carolina, and Texas.

CONTACT: William F. Poe, chairman of the board, or Donald E. Howery, vice president and treasurer of Poe & Associates, (813) 222-4100.

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NORTHBROOK, IL (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Idex Corporation (NYSE: IEX) today reported its third quarter 1990 earnings per share before an extraordinary credit matched its year-ago third quarter performance despite incurring costs associated with new product and new process introductions and encountering sluggish conditions in the industrial sector of the economy.

Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, before an extraordinary credit for utilization of net operating loss carryforwards, declined four percent from $3,523,000 in the comparable 1989 quarter to $3,380,000. Net income per share before the extraordinary credit was equal to the 31 cents achieved a year earlier.

Net income after the extraordinary credit was $3,942,000, or 36 cents per share, in this year's third quarter compared to $4,212,000, or 37 cents per share, in the comparable 1989 quarter. Sales for this year's third quarter

increased two percent to $55,209,000 from last year's $54,336,000.

Donald N. Boyce, chairman and president of Idex, said that third quarter results were in line with expectations given conditions in the industrial sector of the economy. He noted that Idex was able to turn in this very respectable performance because the company serves diverse markets and sells to thousands of customers.

He added that operating profit margins slipped somewhat in the third quarter of this year because of new product and new process introductions at some of the company's business units and the sluggish sales pace. However, margins remained very handsome compared to those of most industrial products companies. Boyce noted that results in the company's fluid handling segment were stronger than in the industrial products segment.

Boyce said third quarter interest expense declined by ten percent from the comparable quarter of the prior year due to a reduction in outstanding debt. Boyce added that in the 33 months since Idex acquired its six operating units, $54 million or one-third of its long-term debt has been repaid from operating cash flow.

In the nine months ended Sept. 30, Idex reported that net income before the extraordinary credit was $10,900,000, or $1.01 per share, compared with $11,914,000, or $1.02 per share, recorded in the 1989 period when there were on average 21 percent fewer shares outstanding. Sales were a record $170,478,000 in the nine months of 1990 compared with $167,141,000 in the same period in 1989.

CONTACT: Wayne Sayatovic, vice president and treasurer of Idex, (708) 498-7070 or Audrey Lowe, (312) 266-6800, or Lillian Armstrong, (212) 661-8030, both of the Financial Relations Board for Idex.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR), announced that it has obtained an extension until Oct. 29, 1990 of payments due holders of certain notes and warrants as well as of its commitment to its senior lenders to raise $15 million of equity as discussions continue to restructure the company's obligations to those parties. Jacor does not expect to satisfy the equity requirement by Oct. 29 and will be seeking a further extension or elimination of such provision. There can be no assurance that a further extension or elimination will be granted.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

CONTACT: R. Christopher Weber or Jon M. Berry, both of Jacor Communications, Inc., 513-621-1300

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Media General, Inc. (AMEX: MEG) today reported higher revenues, net income, and earnings per share for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990, compared with year-earlier results.

Revenues for the third quarter increased to $152.1 million, or 6.9 percent, from $142.3 million in the third quarter of 1989. Paced by the broadcast division, revenues increased in each of the company's three principal operating segments during the quarter, compared with a year ago.

Third quarter net income rose to $7.3 million, versus $3.9 million in the comparable year-earlier period, and earnings per share were $0.28 compared with $0.15 a year ago. For the first nine months of 1990 revenues increased to $458.2 million, up 3.8 percent from $441.5 million in the comparable 1989 period.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 rose to $22.4 million from $21.9 million the year earlier and earnings per share were $0.86 compared with $0.84 in the comparable 1989 period. Earnings of 0.86 per share reflected an after-tax gain of $4 million ($0.15 per share) from the sale of the company's West Coast weekly newspapers.

For the first nine months of 1989 earnings per share of $0.84 included an after-tax gain of $5.7 million ($0.22 per share) from the sale of a newsprint mill in California. Thus, earnings from continuing operations increased significantly during the first nine months of 1990, the company said.

Revenues and operating income for the third quarter reflected increases over prior year levels for the company's daily newspapers, largely the result of improved cost control and selective advertising and circulation price increases.

Advertising rates were increased modestly at The Tampa Tribune at mid-year, and circulation price increases were implemented in September at both the Richmond and Winston-Salem newspapers. Newspaper advertising remained generally sluggish, but The Tampa Tribune benefitted significantly from strong national account campaigns.

At the company's three broadcast television stations in Tampa and Jacksonville Florida, and Charleston, South Carolina, revenues and operating profit increased at each location during the quarter, led by a strong performance from Tampa's WFLA-TV. While national spot advertising levels for the group

remained under pressure, political and local advertising reflected modest gains.

The Fairfax, Virginia, cable television operation also continued to show strong year-over-year gains, and the subscriber count approached 181,200 with a penetration rate of nearly 65.2 percent.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Sir Gordon White, chairman of Hanson Industries, the U.S. arm of Hanson PLC (NYSE: HAN), today announced that Hanson had entered into arrangements whereby it will acquire all of the outstanding stock of General Oriental Securities Limited (GOSL) and Hornwood Barbados Limited, which have as their principal asset 99.5 percent ownership of Cavenham Forest Industries, for $1.3 billion in cash. Cavenham is the sixth-largest private owner of U.S. timberlands and the 12th-largest U.S. lumber producer.

Hanson also announced that subject to the existing standstill agreement with Newmont Mining Corporation (NYSE: NEM) it will sell its 49 percent stake in Newmont to the owners of GOSL and Hornwood for $1.111 billion in cash and $189 million in notes.

As part of the terms of the standstill agreement, Newmont has the right to match the cash portion of the transaction within 60 days. Hanson acquired its stake in Newmont as part of its August 1989 acquisition of Consolidated Gold Fields.

Hanson's obligation to purchase Cavenham is conditioned upon either Newmont exercising its right of first refusal or consummation of the sale of Hanson's interest in Newmont to the owners of GOSL and Hornwood. These arrangements are also subject to customary conditions, including the obtaining of appropriate approvals.

Additionally, as a result of this transaction, Hanson announced it is terminating its previously announced public offering of 8.4 million Newmont shares and six million warrants.

Cavenham owns or controls approximately 1.7 million acres of U.S. timberland in Oregon, Washington state, Mississippi and Louisiana. Cavenham also operates five timber saw mills, four in the Southeastern United States and one in Oregon, as well as oil- and gas-producing properties in Louisiana.

For the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990, Cavenham reported sales of

approximately $275.5 million and pretax trading profits of approximately $97 million. GOSL and Hornwood had pro forma combined net assets of approximately $1.6 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990.

White stated, "Hanson is delighted to acquire this well-established timber business. Cavenham, with its excellent profit record and strong cash flow, will further enhance our position in natural resources, recently strengthened by our purchase of Peabody Coal."

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ROSEMONT, ILL. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Lindberg Corporation (NASDAQ: LIND) operating results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were announced today by George H. Bodeen, chairman and chief executive officer.

Sales for the nine month period were $57,620,864 compared to $60,245,111 for 1989. Net earnings for the period of $2,232,407 compared to nine month 1989 earnings of $2,210,226. Nine month earnings per share of $.47 in 1990 compared to per share earnings of $.47 for the same period last year.

Third quarter sales of $18,464,439 compared to $18,375,442 in 1989; net earnings were $778,061 as compared to $291,350 last year. Earnings per share were $.16 for the third quarter 1990 compared to $.06 for the same period of 1989.

During the third quarter, earnings from U.S. domestic operations were $.13 per share, up from $.04 in the same period of 1989. Lindberg do Brasil, the company's 50 percent owned subsidiary in Brazil, reported earnings of $.03 in the third quarter as its operations improved from the severely depressed levels of the second quarter of this year.

Lindberg is the nation's largest commercial heat treating company, serving the metalworking industry from 21 plants located in major industrial centers throughout the United States and Brazil. Lindberg also owns and operates Harris Metals, a producer of precision intricate aluminum castings; Arrow-Acme a producer of aluminum and zinc die castings; and Alloy Wire Belt, a producer of conveyor belting products.

LINDBERG CORPORATION
(Unaudited)

Periods ended:	Quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$18,464,439	$18,375,442	$57,620,864	$60,245,111

Earns. bef. taxes	1,188,057	389,165	3,721,049	3,491,765
Net errnings	778,061	291,350	2,232,407	2,210,226
Earns. per share	$.16	$.06	$.47	$.47
Avg. no. of shares outstdg.	4,722,044	4,724,874	4,732,760	4,724,874

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MONTVALE, N.J. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Paper Board Company, Inc. (NYSE: FBO) today voted a dividend of $.71875 per share on its $2.875 cumulative convertible preferred stock, payable Dec. 15, 1990, to holders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

Federal Paper Board Company, Inc. manufactures and sells solid bleached paperboard, bleached market pulp, recycled paperboard, folding cartons, lumber paper cups, and in the European market, uncoated free sheet paper.

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HARRISBURG, PA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Dauphin Deposit Corp. (NASDAQ: DAPN) today announced net income of $12,086,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 1990, compared with $12,171,000 in 1989.

Net income per share for the third quarter of 1990 amounted to $.95 on 12,704,189 average shares outstanding compared with $.94 on 13,006,305 average shares for that same period in 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $33,708,000 compared with $32,982,000 for the comparable period of 1989. Net income per share for the nine months of 1990 amounted to $2.63 on 12,831,928 average shares outstanding compared with $2.54 on 12,982,099 average shares for that same period in 1989.

William J. King, chairman and chief executive officer, commented, "Despite a slowing in the economy and all of the problems currently plaguing the banking industry, I am pleased to report that our core earnings remain strong, and the credit quality of our loan portfolio is steady and at a very good level."

Core earnings per share for the third quarter increased 13 percent. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 included a net after-tax increase of $863,000, or $.07 per share, from gains in mortgage banking activities, compared with

the gains of a year ago. For the nine months, this net increase, when compared with the same period of 1989, amounted to $634,000, or $.05 per share. Additionally, net income for both periods of 1989 included a non-recurring after-tax gain of $1,908,000, or $.15 per share, relating to the Pennsylvania Bank Shares Tax. This was the result of new tax legislation passed last year.

The corporation's total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $3,414,150,000 compared with $3,238,531,000 at that time in 1989. Deposits totalled $2,656,856,000 compared with $2,590,815,000 at Sept. 30, 1989. Total loans at Sept. 30, 1990, were $1,760,291,000 compared with $1,634,317,000 at Sept. 30, 1989.

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Boatmen's Bancshares, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: BOAT) today reported third quarter net income of $34.7 million, or $1 per share, up 8.2 percent from the year before.

For the nine months, net income rose 4.4 percent to $100.3 million, or $2.89 per share, from $96.0 million, or $2.77 per share, a year ago.

"We are pleased with our earnings performance in the past quarter," said Andrew B. Craig III, chairman, president and chief executive officer. "Our earnings continue to be bolstered by an expansion of the net interest margin and improvements in noninterest income."

Loan demand remained soft during the quarter, reflecting continued sluggish economic conditions. Loans increased about 2.5 percent for the third quarter over the year-earlier period.

The provision for loan losses in the third quarter increased slightly to $16.7 million from $16.4 million the year before.

Domestic nonperforming loans at the end of the quarter were $191.7 million, or 2.06 percent of loans outstanding, compared with $177.3 million, or 1.97 percent the year before, and $196.6 million, or 2.12 percent at June 30, 1990. At Sept. 30, 1990, the reserve for domestic loan losses represented 1.65 percent of loans outstanding, compared with 1.49 percent a year earlier.

Net loan charge-offs in the third quarter totaled $13.6 million, compared with $17.1 million the year before and $10.2 million in the 1990 second quarter. Net loan losses for the first nine months were down $7.6 million and totaled $35.3 million, versus $42.9 million a year ago. Craig pointed out the corporation's lending policies served Boatmen's well during recent

examinations by federal and state regulatory agencies. Those now-completed examinations had no significant impact on the corporation's financial position.

Net interest income in the third quarter increased 8.9 percent to $122.4 million from $112.4 million the year before, as the net interest margin of 4.02 percent improved from 3.82 percent a year ago. Effective asset/liability management policies coupled with recent declines in short-term interest rates had a positive impact on that margin.

The chief executive noted, "We continue to be pleased by the contribution of noninterest income, which increased 11.8 percent for the quarter, with trust fees up 10.5 percent."

Noninterest expense increased 3.4 percent over the second quarter of this year. The comparison with the third quarter a year ago was less favorable and included approximately $4 million of such noncomparable items as higher Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation premiums, increased advertising and promotion expenses and costs associated with foreclosed real estate. On a year-to-date basis, noninterest expense increased 5.4 percent, less than 4 percent after adjustment for noncomparable items.

Boatmen's is the largest bank holding company in Missouri with 31 full-service banks in Missouri, Illinois and Tennessee; mortgage and insurance companies; and a credit card bank in Delaware.

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TORONTO (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Campeau Corporatiaon today announced that The Edward J. DeBartolo Corporation (EJDC) has not extended a previously signed agreement whereby EJDC would not exercise remedies against certain collateral as a result of defaults arising under loan agreements with the corporation without first giving nine days notice to Campeau Corporation. The previously signed agreement expired October 15. As a result, a similar agreement with two subsidiaries of Olympia & York Developments Limited is terminated.

Campeau Corporation stated that it has been invited by EJDC to continue negotiations regarding Campeau Corporation's guaranty of an approximately US$480 million loan to Federated Stores, Inc., the corporation's wholly owned U.S. subsidiary.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - All American Television, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ALLT) today announced its financial results for the year ended June 30, 1990. The results for the two years ended June 30, 1989 and 1990 are as follows:

ALL AMERICAN TELEVISION, INC.

Year ended June 30;	1990	1989
Revenues	$18,475,000	$16,926,000
Income before effect of change in accounting principle	255,000	537,000
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	--	98,000
Net income	255,000	635,000
Per Share Amounts:		
Income before effect of change in accounting principle	$.13	$.28
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	--	.05
Net income	.13	.33
Weighted average no. of shares outstanding	2,006,650	1,946,816

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Insurance Association released the following statement by AIA President Robert E. Vagley in response to the Public Citizen study on insurer solvency.

The report on insurer solvency issued by Public Citizen is an irresponsible manipulation of highly complex information. Those acquainted with insurance accounting and finances are appalled by the study's methods and misrepresentation of information.

The Public Citizen study's authors are not insurance financial analysts and have distorted data to suit their own purposes. There is no logical connection between the study's findings that certain companies are "financially vulnerable" and the changes proposed in the report. The findings are a muddled attempt to justify calling for unrelated changes in insurance law and regulation.

Ironically, in recent years, these very consumer advocates have called for insurance rate reductions, irrespective of the underlying economics. The regulatory system cannot adhere to the principles of solvency - adequate pricing, adequate reserve levels, and reliable reinsurance - while requiring that premiums be set below costs. The false alarm sounded by Public Citizen is

a gross disservice to the public.

The American Insurance Association is a trade organization representing 240 major companies providing all lines of property/casualty insurance. Headquartered in Washington, the association has representatives in every state.

CONTACT: Georgiana Smith or Elisa Siegel, public affairs, American Insurance Association, (202) 828-7100.

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DENVER (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - AMDURA Corp. (NYSE: ADU) announced today that it has completed the sale of certain operating assets of its subsidiary, AMDURA National Distribution Co. (ANDCO), to United Hardware Distributing Co.

Under the terms of the sale, United Hardware has acquired ANDCO's inventory and its distribution center in Milbank, S.D. Receivables and various other assets of ANDCO were not purchased in the transaction.

The purchase price, including cash received at closing and assumption of liabilities, was approximately $21.5 million, based on asset values at the time of closing.

Of the cash proceeds received at closing, approximately $1 million will be placed in escrow to pay employee benefit claims, not previously covered, and rebates due ANDCO's customers. Proceeds from the sale, held for the benefit of the estate of ANDCO, will remain in escrow pending settlement of the company's bankruptcy case or appropriate orders of the Bankruptcy Court.

On April 2, 1990, AMDURA and its hardlines distribution subsidiaries, including AMDURA National Distribution, filed for protection under Chapter 11 in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Denver. AMDURA's manufacturing subsidiaries, the Crosby Group Inc. and Harris Waste Management Group Inc., were not included in the filing.

ANDCO is a hardlines distributor supplying independently-owned hardware retailers operating under the Trustworthy name in 11 upper-midwestern and western states. ANDCO has 270 employees including 120 in Minnesota.

United Hardware Distributing is a Plymouth, Minnesota-based, dealer-owned hardware distributor, serving approximately 600 independently-owned, Hardware Hank stores.

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COATESVILLE, PA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Lukens Inc. (NYSE: LUC) today reported record third quarter earnings of $12,304,000 or $1.42 per share, an increase of six percent over 1989 third quarter earnings of $11,648,000, or $1.31 per share.

Sales for the third quarter increased to $175,884,000 over third quarter 1989 sales of $166,805,000. Results of this quarter were second only to the fourth quarter of 1989, which included a one-time gain of $3.6 million, or $.43 per share, on the sale of steel assets.

W.R. Wilson, chairman and chief executive officer of Lukens Inc. remarked, "Record sales in the first two quarters of the year, combined with an excellent third quarter, enabled Lukens to achieve record earnings of $34,895,000, or $4.01 per share, through the third quarter of 1990. This is 26 percent higher than the earnings of $27,700,000, or $3.17 per share, posted through the third quarter of 1989." Sales through the first three quarters have increased seven percent to $525,373,000, compared to $489,063,000 in 1989.

On a fully diluted basis, 1990 third quarter earnings were $1.29 per share and year-to-date earnings were $3.67 per share. This compares to 1989 third quarter earnings of $1.20 and year-to-date 1989 earnings of $3.08 on a fully diluted basis.

Wilson said, "Demand for plate steel continues to drive the company with strong sales and earnings. Our pipe coating operations had an outstanding third quarter and the profitability of the Safety Products Group is higher."

Third quarter sales for the Steel Group of $118,920,000 and operating earnings of $17,751,000 compare to 1989 third quarter sales of $122,251,000 and operating earnings of $19,021,000 for the group. "Steel sales reflect the expected and previously publicized reductions in sales of defense-related steels and the results of a 10-day maintenance outage at our Conshohocken, Pa. rolling mill. The average price-per-ton declined slightly in the quarter, due to shifts in product mix.

Plate steel shipments for the third quarter were 173,000 tons, which is essentially unchanged from the previous year. "Seasonal customer shutdowns resulted in a slower order book in early summer, but the underlying level of demand provided good sales opportunities for the quarter."

Steel Group backlog was $105.3 million at the end of the quarter, compared to $157.1 million a year ago. "The reduced backlog is indicative of two items," Wilson said. "A large 1988 military order had inflated our steel backlog. As we continue to ship steel to complete this order, the backlog approaches a more realistic perspective. In addition, the backlog reflects a positive trend of an improved shipped- on-time performance in the Steel Group.

"Improvements in Electric melt shop productivity continue to be achieved in our steelmaking operations as further refinements occur in the ladle refining system installed in 1989," Wilson said. "Steel activity continues to be strong and should maintain present levels through the remainder of the year."

The Corrosion Protection Group had a record quarter. Third quarter sales of $31,341,000 were 58 percent improved over 1989 third quarter sales of $19,880,000. Operating earnings of $3,371,000 for the same period were more than double 1989 operating earnings of $1,567,000. The third quarter backlog of $16.3 million compares to a $13.9 million backlog in the third quarter of 1989.

"This group continues to benefit from increased activity in the natural gas industry. Fears of gas shortages in high-user areas, such as the Northeast and West, have resulted in a concentration on connector lines for gas networks. On a year-to-date basis, the Corrosion Protection Group has more than tripled earnings on sales that are about 50 percent higher than the comparable period of 1989," said Wilson. "Even though this group is entering its slower season, we expect the overall business to continue to be strong for the next few years. The start of a number of large diameter pipeline projects is expected to have a positive impact on next year. We can supply any of the coatings and cathodic protection needed to protect those lines."

The Safety Products Group third quarter earnings of $1,183,000 improved 18 percent over earnings of $1,001,000 recorded in the same period last year. Sales of $18,154,000 were slightly improved over 1989 third quarter sales of $17,423,000.

"The improved profit margin reflects lower glass bead production costs achieved by phasing out outmoded facilities. In 1991, a new, technologically efficient glass bead plant near Lexington, Kentucky will become operational, providing advantages in production and shipping costs. During the seasonal winter slow down, we are concentrating on measures to further improve productivity in our highway safety products lines," said Wilson.

The Safety Products Group backlog at the end of the quarter was $4.3 million in 1990, compared to $3.7 million in 1989.

The Diversified Group had third quarter sales of $7,469,000 and operating earnings of $126,000. By comparison, sales were $7,251,000 and operating earnings were $165,000 in the same quarter last year. The backlog at the end of the quarter was $2,846,000 compared to $3,300,000 one year ago.

Wilson said, "Current reports on business activity levels in our steel, corrosion protection and safety products operations build continued optimism that Lukens will post record results again in 1990. Steel industry plate shipments should continue to be strong through the remainder of the year.

Service centers, our largest steel customers, are maintaining a cautious buying trend relating to replenishment of inventories.

"Our industrial products operations, such as corrosion protection and safety products, are establishing positions in industrial businesses that offer opportunities to offset the cyclical impacts inherent in steel."

Lukens Inc. is a FORTUNE 500 company whose subsidiaries supply plate steel, reflective and industrial glass beads, highway safety products, pipe coating and cathodic corrosion protection services, woven wire cloth, heavy materials handling equipment and transportation services to industrial, energy, construction, defense and transportation markets.

LUKENS INC.
THIRD QUARTER 1990
(Dollars in thousands, except for per-share data)

	Third Quarter 13 Weeks		Year-To-Date 39 Weeks	
	09/29/90	09/30/89	09/29/90	09/30/89
Net Sales	$175,884	$166,805	$525,373	$489,063
Operating Earnings	19,603	18,724	56,223	46,393
Earnings Before Taxes	19,531	18,244	55,389	43,968
Net Earnings	12,304	11,648	34,895	27,700
Pct. Net Sales	7.0	7.0	6.6	5.7
Earnings Per Share:				
Primary	1.42	1.31	4.01	3.17
Fully Diluted	1.29	1.20	3.67	3.08

LUKENS INC.
Segment Financial Data
(Dollars in thousands, except for per-share data)

	Third Quarter		Year-To-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
NET SALES:				
Steel	$118,920	$122,251	$374,559	$362,300
Safety Products	18,154	17,423	52,592	52,686
Corrosion Protection	31,341	19,880	76,786	51,690
Diversified	7,469	7,251	21,436	22,387
Total	$175,884	$166,805	$525,373	$489,063
OPERATING EARNINGS (LOSS):				
Steel	$17,751	$19,021	$56,633	$48,079
Safety Products	1,183	1,001	3,125	2,578
Corrosion Protection	3,371	1,567	5,533	1,721
Diversified	126	165	222	1,896
Corporate	(2,828)	(3,030)	(9,290)	(7,881)
Total	$19,603	$18,724	$56,223	$46,393

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Scott Paper Co. (NYSE: SPP) today reported that its third quarter 1990 earnings per share decreased 15 percent to $0.88 from $1.03, excluding special items in 1989.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 also declined 15 percent to $64.8 million from $75.9 million, excluding special items in 1989. Dollar sales for the third quarter increased 7 percent to a record $1.33 billion from $1.25 billion a year ago. The third quarter of 1989 included special items of $0.96 that resulted in total reported earnings per share of $1.99.

Philip E. Lippincott, Scott's chairman and chief executive officer, commented that "the primary factor impacting the year-to-year comparison of third quarter results was the significantly lower earnings of S.D. Warren, Scott's printing and publishing papers business. Earnings from this business were about $0.25 per share below the same period of the prior year. Warren, which has been undergoing a major capacity expansion program, continues to experience high manufacturing and operating costs. The earnings of Scott Worldwide, our personal care and cleaning business, showed improvement over the third quarter of last year."

For the nine months, earnings per share, excluding special items in 1989, declined 11 percent to $2.71 from $3.03. Net income, excluding special items in 1989, was down 13 percent to $199.5 million in 1990 from $230.4 million a year ago. Sales grew 4 percent to $3.9 billion, a nine-month record. The nine-month earnings per share for 1989 included special items of $0.97 that resulted in total reported earnings of $4 per share.

Lippincott indicated that third quarter 1990 sales revenue for the total consolidated Scott Worldwide personal care and cleaning business increased 8 percent, and income from these operations, excluding special items in 1989, rose 4 percent.

The U.S. tissue portion of Scott Worldwide's personal care and cleaning business achieved an all-time quarterly record for dollar sales, and unit volume was a third quarter record. Earnings from normal operations were almost at the same level as the record third quarter of 1989. While the U.S. tissue business overall had an excellent third quarter, costs were negatively impacted by general inflationary pressures and higher marketing expenses related to strong competitive activity.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Williams Industries, Incorporated (NASDAQ-NMS: WMSI) today reported financial results for the fiscal year which ended July 31, 1990.

Net profits were $1,453,999, or 60 cents per share, on total revenues of $118,766,459. For the prior fiscal year, net profits were $349,574, or 15 cents per share, on total revenues of $101,829,874.

For the fourth quarter, net profits were $533,346, or 22 cents per share, on revenues of $26,862,980. For the corresponding quarter last fiscal year, revenues of $26,372,716 produced net profits of $582,980, or 25 cents per share.

Frank E. Williams Jr., chairman of the board, said profits and revenues were in line with company projections. He noted that backlogs of work on hand, while down from recent record levels due to some softness in the commercial building market, remain strong reflecting the company's increased involvement in the bridge and industrial construction markets. Looking at the current fiscal year, he said company projections indicate FY1991 will be a bit more profitable than last year despite the fact that revenues will be lower. Due to the timing and mix of contracts, most profits will be generated during the final six months of the fiscal year with the first six months being about breakeven.

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ROGERS, CONN. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Rogers Corporation (AMEX: ROG) reported third quarter sales of $46,838,000, 9 percent above the corresponding 1989 period's volume of $43,045,000. Earnings of $733,000, or 24 cents per share, were appreciably higher than the net profits of $240,000, or 8 cents per share a year ago.

Year-to-date sales of $141,719,000 were 10 percent above shipments of $128,462,000 in the first nine months of 1989. Excluding the one-time pre-tax charge of about $7 million, taken in June, year-to-date after-tax profits wre $1,341,000, or 44 cents per share. After the charge, the net loss for nine months was $3,329,000, or $1.09 per share, compared with the profit of $959,000, or 32 cents per share, in the 1989 period.

Norman L. Greenman, president of Rogers, said, "The bulk of the one-time charge was accounted for by the costs of an early retirement program and terminations in the salaried group. These actions, which included department and division consolidations, were mainly done by the end of August, and will be essentially completed when we start the new year."

Greenman stated, "Significantly higher TAB (Tape Automated Bonding) production is expected in the fourth quarter." He went on to say, "Because of technical problems, the critical production ramp of our multimetal layer TAB components was slower than desired during the third quarter and remained costly."

"Our financial position remains strong, and inventories relative to sales were at a record low in the third quarter," Greenman said. He concluded by saying, "At this time it is not possible to predict the impact on Rogers' business of the downturn in the economy and of events in the Middle East. In the immediate future, however, we expect that the benefit of our major expense reduction will make it possible to continue the favorable earnings trend in the closing months of the year."

Headquartered in Rogers, Conn., Rogers Corporation manufactures a broad range of engineering materials and components for the electronics and other selected industrial markets.

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LAWRENCEVILLE, N.J. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - American Reliance Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: ARIG) today reported higher revenues and net income for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter were $22,139,000, compared with $18,409,000 for the 1989 third quarter. The company earned $1,903,000 or $.75 per share, compared with $1,633,000 or $.64 per share a year earlier.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company earned $5,099,000 or $2.00 per share on revenues of $62,608,000. This compares with net income of $4,581,000 or $1.80 per share on total revenues of $52,536,000 for the same period of 1989.

"The 20 percent increase in revenues and 16 percent increase in net income for the third quarter were primarily the result of higher sales of commercial insurance products -- which now account for 66 percent of our business -- as well as a 30 percent increase in investment income," said Bruce W. Herrick, chairman and chief executive officer of American Reliance.

Herrick said a significant part of the increased commercial volume represented further gains in Virginia and Maryland, where the company has expanded operations.

The third quarter combined ratio was 102.0 percent, compared with 102.3

percent a year earlier. The nine months combined ratio was 104.1 percent, compared with 100.6 percent a year earlier. The combined ratio reflects combined results of the pooling arrangement between the company and its parent American Reliance Insurance Company.

The charge to operations for New Jersey's insurance legislation, the Fair Automobile Insurance Reform Act ("FAIRA"), was $413,000 for the third quarter and $722,000 for the nine months. FAIRA expenses added 3.3. percent to the combined ratio for the quarter and 3.4 percent for the nine months.

American Reliance Group, Inc. is a regional property and casualty insurance holding company that specializes in providing coverage for small to medium size businesses and individuals in rural and suburban locations.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - ICM Property Investors Incorporated (NYSE: ICM), a real estate investment trust, announced today its declaration of a distribution of $.12 per share for the third quarter of 1990, which ended on Sept. 30. This distribution, payable on Nov. 21, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 1, is the same as that paid for the preceding five quarters.

The company reported that it incurred a net loss of $3,551,000 in the third quarter, which includes a provision for loss, for financial reporting purposes representing its net investment of $2,409,000, as of Sept. 30, in a joint venture partnership that owns Maitland Colonnades, an office building in Maitland, Fla. This compares with a net loss of $1,172,000 in the same period last year. For the first nine months, the net losses were $7,184,000 in 1990 and $2,145,000 in 1989.

The company reported that the mortgage loan on Maitland Colonnades had matured on Aug. 31. Since negotiations with the mortgagee have not produced a financial arrangement acceptable to ICM Property Investors, the company said, it has reduced its net investment in the property to zero.

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DALTON, GA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Shaw Industries Inc. (NYSE: SHX) reported unaudited results of operations for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30.

Sales were $420,435,000, up 27 percent from $331,868,000 in the same period last year.

Net earnings decreased 4 percent to $13,916,000 and $.45 per share from $14,427,000 and $.48 per share last year.

Robert E. Shaw, chief executive officer, said, "The carpet industry has been soft for the past several months and there is continued downward pressure on volume and prices."

Shaw Industries Inc., with corporate offices in Dalton, Ga., manufactures and sells carpeting to retailers and distributors throughout the United States and exports to several overseas markets.

SHAW INDUSTRIES INC.
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income
(Unaudited)

3 mos. ended	9/29/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$420,435,000	$331,868,000
Costs and expenses	398,132,000	308,409,000
Income before income taxes	22,303,000	23,459,000
Provision for income taxes	8,387,000	9,032,000
Net income	$ 13,916,000	$ 14,427,000
Earnings per common share -- on a primary and fully diluted basis	$ .45	$ .48
Weighted average shares --		
Primary	30,834,276	30,000,000
Fully diluted	30,853,030	30,000,000

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Remarketing Corporation (CRC), an industry leader in remanufactured hardware, has acquired the service company assets of CFR Systems/Service of Haverhill, Mass.

The acquisition is viewed as an important step in CRC's aggressive regionalization strategy for Wang and Honeywell maintenance, now focused on New England. CRC has targeted New England for the establishment of a Regional Business Center which would house a full remanufacturing facility, onsite inventory of products and spare parts, and customer service representatives.

Michael Alick, executive vice president of CRC, outlined how his company's hand was strengthened in the transaction. "We now have all of CFR's

maintenance contracts, inventory as well as spare parts, all test beds and test equipment, the lab and the service team. We are very excited to gain a strong presence in the New England market."

CRC specializes in Wang, Honeywell-Bull, Ultimate, Hewlett Packard, Prime, Data General and NCR equipment. Its already broad reach into computer hardware remanufacturing is expected to provide it with a chance to have a significant impact on the industry in New England.

"CRC's commitment to quality and service should enable us to continue on a fast growth track throughout the region," Alick said.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - A novel computer-based learning experiment is bringing new knowledge and skills into the homes of factory workers and their families in the Phoenix area. Known as Project SALSA - Southwest Advanced Learning System for Adults - the program is a collaborative effort of education and business.

The project is being carefully watched by executives in business, government and academia because it represents the first significant alliance between higher education and industry to apply satellite links and computers to adult education in the home on both a cost and teaching efficient basis.

Project SALSA employs sophisticated earth satellite and telecommunications technology to link personal computers in the home with a large library of interactive educational software located at the University of Illinois. Employees of Motorola, Inc., at its Mesa and Tempe, Ariz., semiconductor plants are participating in the six month pilot project using Macintosh SE(R) computers provided Apple Computer, Inc. The participants use the educational software at these high-tech learning stations in their own homes, supplementing traditional classroom instruction.

Researchers at Rio Salado Community College, one of the Maricopa Community Colleges, are conducting a study of the participants and a matched control group to see what effect the home-based learning environment has on the rate of improvement of the workers' reading skills directly applicable to their jobs at Motorola.

Program participants were selected from a pool of volunteers following a screening test and personal interviews. The 53 active participants received two hours of training in use of the Macintosh computer, followed by another 10 hours of training in using the instructional software. A "family day" was held for training interested members of the workers' families, who are also

being encouraged to use the home learning stations. Project SALSA began in July, and will continue through December.

In addition to Motorola, Apple and Rio Salado, project sponsors include the University of Illinois, which is providing free access to NovaNET(SM), the U of I's satellite-based network for delivery of educational services; University Communications, Inc., providing training in use of NovaNET and equipment for access to the network; Businessland, Inc., providing surge protectors, special private home phone lines for the computer link. Motorola has also supplied, through its Universal Data Systems division, over one hundred 2400-baud modems that are being used on the private telephone lines to the homes of the participating Motorola employees. Motorola University has provided guidance and overall project coordination within the sponsor group.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Laventhol & Horwath, the nation's seventh largest accounting and consulting firm, today announced it has reorganized its management consulting group into a new subsidiary to better serve national accounts and to allow its consulting partners to operate more independently.

The new entity, Horwath Consulting Inc., will operate as an independent national practice under the direction of David E. Arnold, national managing director. Previously, Laventhol's consulting services were organized at the local office level, and consulting partners and staff reported to local office managing partners. Laventhol's key consulting services serve the real estate and hospitality industries. Arnold noted that there are three reasons for the reorganization.

"First, the marketplace we serve has changed. A much larger share of our services are now purchased by national and international institutional buyers rather than local developers as in the past," said Arnold. "After careful consideration, we decided a different approach to client service -- a national organization -- was needed."

Arnold also pointed out that there is a growing trend toward "globalization" in the real estate and hospitality industries the firm serves. Reorganization will permit much greater service in foreign markets. Horwath Consulting Inc. will expand its consulting activity in Asia via Horwath Asia Pacific and invest in consulting practices in Eastern Europe.

"The reorganization is more than a strategic positioning move," explained Arnold. "Our second reason for the change is entrepreneurial. We simply need to operate more flexibly than in the past, and provide our senior professionals with greater upside. Real estate is an entrepreneurial business and we need to offer greater opportunities to our key people.

"Organizationally, the firm has established regional and national practice units which will allow the group to operate more efficiently," he said. "New separate performance-based compensation procedures are being studied for Horwath Consulting personnel.

"The third reason is focus -- to do what we do best," explained Arnold. "Many large organizations have become too diversified. Those of us at Horwath Consulting can now devote our full energies to serving our clients as the consulting specialists we are."

Horwath Consulting Inc. will now operate out of 25 offices in the United States. Its parent organization, Laventhol & Horwath, has 50 U.S. offices. Both are represented in 70 countries through affiliation with Horwath International.

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Sunbelt Nursery Group, Inc. (AMEX: SBN) today announced that, upon the unanimous recommendation of the special committee of the board, consisting of two independent directors, the board has determined to express no opinion as to whether the company's stockholders should accept or reject the previously announced offer by a subsidiary of Pier 1 Imports, Inc. (NYSE: PIR).

Pier 1 has offered to acquire, through a cash tender offer at a price of $12.00 per share, all of the outstanding common stock of the company not owned by such subsidiary.

In reaching this determination, the board considered a number of factors, including the recommendation of the special committee and the opinion of the financial advisor to the special committee that the value of the common stock held by stockholders other than Pier 1 and its subsidiary is between approximately $11.00 and $15.00 per share.

A more detailed description of such matters is contained in the company's Schedule 14D-9 Solicitation/Recommendation Statement filed today with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Sunbelt Nursery Group, Inc. is the dominant nursery enterprise in six of the 11 largest lawn and garden markets in the United States, with 96 stores that feature nursery stock and lawn and garden supplies. The company's common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange.

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KIRKLAND, WA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Geosafe Corp., a Pacific Northwest-headquartered hazardous waste remediation company formed in 1988, today announced it has received its first large-scale contract from Region 5 of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for treating a Superfund site near Grand Ledge, Mich.

The location is known as the Parsons Chemical/ETM Enterprises site where Parsons Chemical, the former owner, mixed, manufactured and packaged agricultural chemicals from 1945-1979. Soil at the site is contaminated with pesticides (chlordane, DDT, and dieldrin) and mercury. The cost of remediating the approximately 2,000 cubic yards (2,600 tons) of contaminated soils will be in excess of $1,000,000.

Phase one of the project involves the staging of materials which is to begin immediately. The actual treatment, involving Geosafe's proprietary "in situ vitrification" (ISV) technology, is expected to be accomplished in the first half of 1991.

ISV is able to treat 100 tons or more of contaminated soils per day. It is a process that melts contaminated soils by means of electricity which is accessed from a regular utility source. Four carbon and molybdenum electrodes are used to form an approximate 1,000 square-foot melt, 16 feet deep, and weighing about 400 tons. Initially 4,000 volts are applied at 400 amps, generating temperatures up to 3,600 degrees F. Organic contaminants are destroyed and the inorganic materials are incorporated into the molten mass that, when cooled, resembles natural volcanic obsidian. Off gases from the melt are captured under a hood and are treated to conform with air quality standards.

ISV is a permanent in-place process for treating contaminated soils and will destroy, remove, or permanently immobilize hazardous substances. ISV reduces the toxicity, mobility and volume of contaminated soil, and eliminates the need to transport wastes.

Geosafe is a private company, majority owned by Battelle Memorial Institute.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - BP Oil Company today announced that it will withdraw from the crude oil lease acquisition business and will solicit bids for the purchase of its pipeline gathering facilities in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas.

BP Oil did an extensive study and review of the future prospects for the crude oil lease acquisition business within the company. It concluded that this business no longer is strategic and would fit better with companies that see this activity as more central to their aims.

This decision will affect a total of 108 employees based in Cleveland; Centralia and Carmi, Illinois; and Houston and Longview, Texas. BP Oil expects the sales of its facilities to require several months. Employees not placed with new owners or in other positions within BP will be offered appropriate severance terms.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Global Natural Resources Inc. (AMEX: GNR) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, GNR International (Argentina), Inc., has acquired a 25 percent working interest from the Argentine National Oil Company in the El Chivil concession area located in Formosa Province, N.W. Argentina. The property will be operated by Compania General de Combustibles, an Argentine-based company. The purchase was made through the program of privatization of state-owned energy companies in Argentina.

According to the terms of the purchase, GNR International (Argentina), Inc. acquired the right to produce oil and gas from this 65,000-acre concession for 25 years, with a possible 10-year extension. The purchase price was $500,900. The estimated reserves attributable to Global's net interest in El Chivil Field are 353,000 barrels proved with more than 3 million barrels undeveloped. In addition, four exploratory prospects have been identified within the concession.

Global Natural Resources Inc. is a Houston-based energy company engaged in the exploration, development and production of oil and gas in North America; owns an interest in long-term oil and gas production sharing contracts in Indonesia; and has a joint venture project in Tataria-U.S.S.R.

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#90289p5383 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANTON, OH (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Diebold, Incorporated (NYSE: DBD), which recently announced a new corporate organization after finalizing its InterBold(TM) automated teller machine (ATM) joint venture with IBM Corporation (NYSE: IBM), today reported results for the first nine months of 1990 and for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

For the nine-month period, Diebold had net income of $17,848,000, or $1.35 per share, on revenues of $347,795,000, compared with net income of $25,281,000, or $1.92 per share, on revenues of $341,522,000 in the first nine months of 1989. The nine-month results were impacted by one- time expense items and the ongoing manufacturing restructuring expenses, as well as by a continuing decline in the market for Diebold physical security products. While orders for physical security products were down 27 percent for the nine months, ATM orders were up 15 percent.

Third quarter net income was $2,247,000, or $.17 per share, on revenues of $115,212,000, compared with net income of $8,853,000, or $.67 per share, on revenues of $110,218,000 in the 1989 third quarter. Pretax income in the third quarter was impacted by approximately $6.4 million in one-time costs for (1) legal investment banker and other professional fees in the formation and completion of InterBold; (2) outside consultant fees for the restructuring of the customer service group; and (3) write-offs of plant and equipment and reserves for employee severance costs associated with the decision to close the Hamilton, Ohio, plant.

Also affecting third-quarter results were start-up costs for a new manufacturing facility in Sumter, S.C., which will absorb the majority of the Hamilton production. Additionally, the decline in the banking industry impacted orders for Diebold's physical security and facility products. ATM orders for the quarter were up 10 percent over 1989, while orders for physical security products were down 16 percent for the same period.

Robert W. Mahoney, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Despite the decline in the U.S. financial industry for physical security products, our U.S. ATM orders are up for the quarter and the nine months.

Diebold, Incorporated is a world leader in the automation of self- service transactions, security products, software and service for these systems. Headquartered in Canton, Ohio, Diebold maintains offices worldwide.

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#90289p5402 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDMONTON, Alberta (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Chieftain International Inc. reports revenue of U.S. $28,732,000 (Cdn. $33,229,000), funds from operations of U.S. $20,436,000 (Cdn. $23,634,000) and net income of U.S. $4,838,000 (Cdn. $5,595,000) for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Funds from operations per common share for first nine months of 1990 were U.S. $2.15 (C$2.49) and net income per common share was U.S. $0.51 (Cdn. $0.59). The company has no long-term debt and working capital amounted to U.S. $35,400,000 (Cdn. $40,900,000) as at Sept. 30, 1990.

Chieftain International commenced operations on April 20, 1989. Therefore, information for the 1989 period relates to 163 days during which the company had revenues of U.S. $8,401,000 (Cdn. $9,899,000), funds from operations of U.S. $4,056,000 (Cdn. $4,779,000) and net income of U.S. $840,000 (Cdn. $990,000). Funds from operations per common share for the 1989 period were U.S. $0.43 (Cdn. $0.50) and net income per common share was U.S. $0.09 (Cdn. $0.10).

During the first nine months of 1990, natural gas sales averaged 40.8 million cubic feet (mmcf) per day, an increase from 6.2 mmcf per day in the 1989 period, while sales of oil and natural gas liquids averaged 1,804 barrels per day (bpd) compared with 1,647 bpd in the 1989 period.

The company reports financial information in U.S. dollars. For convenience, Canadian dollar amounts have been provided using the exchange rates as at Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989.

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LANCASTER, PA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Fulton Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: FULT) has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 20 cents per share on its common stock, payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 21.

Fulton Financial, a $1.8 billion bank holding company headquartered in Lancaster, operates 58 banking offices in nine Pennsylvania counties through six banking affiliates -- Fulton Bank, Lancaster; Farmers Trust Bank, Lebanon; Swineford National Bank, Middleburg; Lafayette Bank, Easton; Second National Bank of Nazareth; and First National Bank of Danville.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - W. R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA), the world's leading specialty chemical company, reported a 14 percent increase in third quarter operating income. Net income was lower than in the 1989 quarter, when the company posted a non-recurring after-tax gain of $61.8 million on the restructuring of Grace's natural resource operations. Grace's worldwide specialty chemicals operations, as well as its other three major business groups, all showed quarter-to-quarter improvements.

Net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 amounted to $45.2 million, or 52 cents per share, versus $97.9 million, or $1.15 per share, in the 1989 period, which included the $61.8 million, or 73 cents per share, net gain from the restructuring of Grace's energy-related operations. Sales and revenues for the third quarter of 1990 totalled $1.7 billion, up 12 percent over 1989 quarterly sales and revenues of $1.5 billion.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $129.1 million, or $1.50 per share, compared with $171.4 million, or $2.01 per share, in 1989, which includes the significant non-recurring gain. Excluding this gain, net income for the 1990 nine months rose to $129.1 million from $109.6 million, or 18 percent ahead of the prior year. Sales and revenues for the 1990 nine months increased 9 percent to $4.8 billion, compared to 1989's $4.4 billion.

J. Peter Grace, chairman and chief executive of W. R. Grace & Co., in making the announcement, said: "We are encouraged by the strong operating results of all four of Grace's operating groups and expect higher income from operations to continue in the fourth quarter, despite widespread economic and political uncertainties."

Grace Specialty Chemicals continued to contribute the largest portion of Grace's earnings in the third quarter of 1990. Operating income after taxes for the 1990 quarter was $62.2 million, a 7 percent rise above last year's period, reflecting, in particular, the continued strong performance of the company's packaging business and improved results in fluid cracking catalysts. In addition, international businesses were favorably influenced by foreign exchange. Quarterly sales of specialty chemical products rose 13 percent to $890 million.

Grace Specialty Businesses, which includes leading positions in niche businesses, posted a 28 percent increase in third quarter operating income, to $13.6 million. Sales and revenues for these diverse business units amounted to $434 million.

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STUART, FLA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Seacoast Banking Corporation of Florida (NASDAQ-NMS: SBCFA), whose subsidiary is First National Bank, announced that net income for the quarter improved to $1,264,000, or $0.36 per share, the highest quarterly earnings in the company's history. In the third quarter of 1989, the previous best quarter, the company earned $1,261,000, or $0.36 per share.

The annualized return on average assets was 1.00 percent for the quarter and book value per share increased 7.0 percent to $10.36 from the previous year's $9.68. Return on average equity was 13.64 percent for the third quarter compared to 14.73 percent for 1989.

For the third quarter, the company returned to traditional performance measures for return on assets and return on equity, following lower performance for the second quarter which was impacted by increased reserves against loan losses. Net income through the first three quarters was $2,850,000 or $0.81 per share, compared with $3,325,000 or $0.95, for the year-earlier period, a decline of 14.3 percent.

The company's nonperforming assets (nonaccrual loans and other real estate owned) increased slightly to $6,474,000, or 1.91 percent, from $6,366,000, or 1.82 percent, at the end of the second quarter. Nonperforming assets are comprised primarily of loans secured by real estate for which the appraised values exceed their recorded values. Accruing loans past due 90 days or more declined from $3,910,000 at the end of the last quarter to $3,053,000 for the third quarter.

In announcing earnings, Chairman Dennis S. Hudson Jr. said that there is growing evidence that the bank's service area is entering a period of slower growth.

He added that the strengthening of the reserves for possible loan losses in the second quarter, a slower growth in the company's lending portfolio, and increased capital, places the company at a competitive advantage during a period of slower growth in the bank's market, which has been determined to be the third-fastest growing Metropolitan Statistical Area among the nation's 319.

Deposits at Sept. 30, 1990 were $451.7 million compared the year earlier figure of $445.9 million, and total assets were $492.7 million compared to $486.2 million, both showing a year-to-year increase of 1.3 percent. Net loans were $331.4 million, a decline of 3.7 percent from $344.1 million at the end of the third quarter a year ago.

Seacost's banking subsidiary serves the Treasure Coast region of Florida,

which is located just north of Palm Beach County.

SEACOAST BANKING CORPORATION OF FLORIDA AND SUBSIDIARIES
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS AND GROWTH INDEX
(Unaudited) (Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
SUMMARY OF EARNINGS	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net income	$ 1,264	$ 1,261	$ 2,850	$ 3,325
Net interest income (A)	5,448	4,970	16,609	15,061
Return on average assets (B) (pct.)	1.00	1.03	0.75	0.90
Return on average shareholders' equity (B) (pct.)	13.64	14.73	10.46	13.35
Net interest margin (A) (B) (pct.)	4.70	4.35	4.75	4.43
Per share common stock:				
Net income	$0.36	$0.36	$0.81	$0.95
Cash dividends declared Class A Common	0.10	0.09	0.30	0.27

	Sept. 30,		Increase
SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA	1990	1989	(Decrease)
Total assets	$492,742	$486,223	1.3 pct.
Investment securities	110,022	100,362	9.6 pct.
Net loans	331,439	344,112	(3.7) pct.
Deposits	451,725	445,917	1.3 pct.
Shareholders' equity	36,456	33,933	7.4 pct.
Average equity to average assets (pct.)	7.36	6.96	5.7
Book value	$10.36	$9.68	7.0

(A) -- On a tax equivalent basis using a tax rate of 34 percent.
(B) -- These ratios are stated on an annualized basis and are not necessarily indicative of ratios which may be expected for the entire year.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today voted to increase its quarterly dividend on its common stock to 22 cents ($.22) per share for the previous quarter, from 18 cents ($.18) per share.

The dividend will be payable on Nov. 25, 1990, to shareholders of record as of the close of business Oct. 31, 1990.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Citicorp (NYSE: CCI) today reported third quarter net income of $221 million, or $0.56 per share, compared with $358 million, or $0.99 per share, in last year's third quarter. This brought net income for the first nine months of the year to $700 million, or $1.81 per share, compared to $1,282 million, or $3.62 per share, last year.

These results continue to reflect the trends first discussed twelve months ago:

-- Continued strength of the consumer business. -- Solid business in International Banking and Finance in developing economies.

-- Continued slowdown of the U.S. corporate banking business revenues, offset by good revenue performance with world corporate names, the Financial Institutions business and in Europe.

-- Significant credit write-offs and "cost to carry" in the domestic U.S. real estate portfolio and in Australia.

-- Continued progress in the LDC portfolio. Agreements in principle were reached with Venezuela, Chile and Uruguay, and Brazil has begun to negotiate with its Bank Advisory Committee.

Market issues and the economic and political environment in the U.S. have put pressure on bank stocks and other securities. Citicorp's broadly based business franchises and funding position have been an important strength under the circumstances, and Citicorp believes that its strategic concentration on the global consumer, international banking, and Global Finance (Japan, Europe and North America) remains appropriate and fundamental to its growth.

The company has continued to be pro-active in recognizing loan losses and has been building its corporate reserve position to provide for possible further deterioration.

Citicorp believes that it has aggressively responded to deterioration of domestic real estate values while continuing to support its customers but that this market has not yet stabilized; continued write-offs and "cost to carry" will extend into 1991. Resolution of the Gulf Crisis and stabilization of the

financial markets will have an important bearing on the outlook for the U.S. economy, Citicorp noted, and hence on the real estate business.

Citicorp's domestic leveraged finance (LBO) business has been impacted by write-offs during the first part of this year but is currently thought to be satisfactory from a credit perspective. Its business in Australia has been affected by the economic downturn in that country.

Citicorp continues to build its capital ratios, though market conditions have made it difficult to complete some transactions intended for this calendar year -- particularly in insurance.

Among other developments and factors: -- Citicorp's Board declared a quarterly common stock dividend of $0.445 per share, the same as last quarter, payable November 13 to shareholders of record October 26.

-- Consumer earnings advanced 34 percent and 30 percent over last year's third quarter and nine months, reaching $293 million in the quarter and $829 million for the nine months. This included $32 million after tax from the sale of the Diners Club franchise in Japan. Worldwide consumer earnings are running at a record $1 billion annual rate. Consumer revenues are up 19 percent versus a year ago, 24 percent when adjusted for asset securitizations.

-- Operating expenses were 12 percent higher than for last year's quarter. Most of the increase comes in businesses with solid performances and revenue growth (Global Consumer and International Banking and Finance). Global Finance (Japan, Europe and North America) is focussing its businesses and balancing expenses to meet more difficult revenue prospects, pricing and competition.

-- Earnings from International Banking and Finance in developing economies advanced 14 percent year-to-date over last year, reaching $353 million for the nine months. Earnings for the quarter were $99 million, flat to last year.

-- The commercial loan loss provision, excluding the cross-border refinancing portfolio was $283 million for the quarter and $654 million for the nine months, up from $59 million in the third quarter and $141 million in the first nine months of last year. Included in the provision for the quarter was $201 million of net write-offs and an $82 million additional provision to build the commercial loan loss reserves.

-- The net commercial write-offs, excluding the cross-border refinancing portfolio, of $201 million in the quarter, compared with $228 million for the first two quarters together and $27 million in the third quarter of 1989. Domestic real estate write-offs were $61 million in the third quarter, compared with $98 million for the first two quarters and $11 million a year ago. Leveraged transaction net write- offs were $42 million in the quarter compared with $108 million in the first two quarters together.

-- The commercial loan loss reserve ratio in Global Finance (Japan, Europe and North America) increased to 163 basis points in the quarter, up from 144 basis points in the second quarter and 119 basis points at year end 1989. Total commercial loan loss reserves, excluding the cross-border refinancing portfolio, were $829 million, or 145 basis points at quarter end, up 15 basis points for the quarter and 35 basis points since year end.

-- Commercial cash-basis loans, excluding the cross-border refinancing portfolio, increased by $780 million during the quarter, to $4.6 billion. Domestic real estate accounted for $573 million of this increase, bringing cash-basis real estate loans to $2.2 billion. Other commercial real estate owned (OREO) also increased to $1,045 million, up $336 million from the second quarter.

-- Venture capital revenues of $62 million in the third quarter compared with $80 million in the second quarter of 1990 and $93 million a year ago. Trading revenues, including foreign exchange, totaled $294 million in the third quarter, compared with $204 million in the second quarter of 1990 and $152 million a year ago.

-- Asset securitizations and consumer deposits continued to grow in importance in Citicorp's funding structure, sustaining the trend of the past several years. Securitizations totaled $5.3 billion in the third quarter and $19.1 billion year to date, versus $15.8 billion in full year 1989. Global Consumer deposits increased $2.5 billion in the third quarter and $9.7 billion year to date. Since asset balances have declined by approximately $3 billion since year end 1989, the growth of consumer deposits has displaced purchased funds. Federal funds purchased declined to $3.7 billion at quarter end and commercial paper outstandings fell to $4.1 billion, versus $5.3 billion and $4.6 billion at June 30 and $8.9 billion and $7.1 billion at Dec. 31, 1989. The decline in purchased funds motivated Citicorp to terminate its weekly commercial paper auction in September.

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VERNON, CONN. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Tolland Bank (NASDAQ: TOBK) today reported net income of $24,000, or $.02 per share in the third quarter of 1990 versus $230,000, or $.20 per share, in the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of the year, net income was $357,000, or $.31 per share, versus $784,000, or $.68 per share, for the comparable period in 1989.

The board of directors has declared a cash dividend of $.04 per share to stockholders of record at the close of business Oct. 31, 1990 which will be payable on Nov. 13, 1990. A dividend of $.12 had been paid in the prior

quarter and dividends have been paid each quarter since August 1987. The dividend reduction for the third quarter reflects the need to preserve the institution's capital and permit the bank to take advantage of attractive expansion opportunities that may present themselves. The board will carefully monitor the quarterly dividend in relation to current and prospective circumstances in the best interest of the shareholders.

Chairman Guy Cambria, Jr., said that "although third quarter results are disappointing, they are a reflection of the region's deteriorating economic condition. Management is focused on protecting asset quality through daily attention to existing and potential problems. We expect to return to traditional levels of profitability when the economy recovers."

Highlights of the most recent quarter include: Total deposits at Sept. 30, 1990, were $156.7 million, up 5.3 percent from June 30 and 12.9 percent from year-end 1989. The nine month rate of growth is one of the highest among Connecticut savings institutions and reflects the success of the bank's marketing of ValuePlus Checking and Savings accounts and other key customer products. The bank's ability to continue to attract stable, low-cost, core funds will further improve the structure and profitability of the balance sheet.

Net interest income for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 were virtually unchanged from the same periods in 1989. The spread between the yield on earnings assets and the cost of interest-bearing liabilities improved to 3.26 percent in the third quarter of 1990 from 3.10 percent for the comparable period in 1989; for nine months in 1990 the spread was 3.16 percent versus 3.24 percent in 1989. The spread, adjusted for an increased reliance on interest-bearing deposits and lower taxable income, produced a third quarter net interest margin of 3.68 percent versus 4.36 percent in 1989. The nine-month net interest margin was 3.70 percent in 1990 compared to 4.38 percent in 1989.

Net loan chargeoffs for the third quarter were $52,000, an annualized rate of just over one-tenth of one percent of average loans, versus $29,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Net charge-offs of $137,000 for the first nine months, which were also at this low annualized percentage, were $99,000 for the comparable period in 1989. The provision for loan losses was $66,000 in the third quarter of 1990, increasing the allowance for loan losses to 0.63 percent of loans at Sept. 30, up from 0.59 percent of loans at Sept. 30, 1989.

At Sept. 30, total non-performing assets of $4.4 million amounted to 2.33 percent of total assets. This ratio is one of the lowest in New England for publicly traded savings institutions. Loans delinquent 90 days or more were $2.5 million, or 1.73 percent of loans, at Sept. 30, up from $1.0 million at June 30. The allowance for loan losses equaled 37 percent of non-performing loans at Sept. 30. Foreclosed real estate dropped to $1.9 million at Sept. 30 from $2.1 million at June 30.

Higher non-interest expenses continue to reflect last year's expansion of the branch system, the installation of ATMs and a "state- of-the-art" computerized tellers' system. In addition, third quarter expenses included more than $50,000 of loan collection and other costs related to delinquent loans and foreclosed real estate.

Other operating income was up 38 percent in the third quarter and 30 percent for nine months versus the comparable periods in 1989.

Shareholders' equity was 8.38 percent of total assets at Sept. 30. The ratio decreased from 8.88 percent at June 30 because the quarterly dividend exceeded net income for the third quarter and the market value of the bank's equity portfolio declined in the latter half of the quarter. The depreciation in the equity portfolio is reported as a direct reduction of shareholders' equity. Management will continue to closely monitor the investment outlook for each stock in the $2.2 million portfolio and will manage the portfolio in an effort to enhance shareholder value.

Tolland Bank is a Connecticut-chartered, savings bank located in Tolland, Conn., with executive offices in Vernon, Conn. The bank's assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $189.2 million, an increase of 5.9 percent over Sept. 30, 1989.

TOLLAND BANK
Selected Financial Highlights (Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per-share data)

Three months ended Sept. 30;	1990	1989
Operating Data:		
Net interest income	$1,535	$1,540
Other operating income	149	106
Other operating expense	1,588	1,292
Net income	24	230
Net income per common & common equivalent shares	$0.02	$0.20
Weighted average shares outstanding	1,150,000	1,153,501
Nine months ended Sept. 30;	1990	1989
Operating Data:		
Net interest income	$4,682	$4,680
Other operating income	456	352
Other operating expense	4,509	3,957
Net income	357	784
Net income per common & common equivalent shares	$0.31	$0.68
Weighted average shares outstanding	1,150,000	1,153,987
Key Ratios (In Percent):		
Net interest spread	3.16	3.24

Net interest margin (fully taxable equivalent)	3.70	4.38
Return on assets	0.26	0.62
Return on equity	2.90	6.35
Equity percent assets - period end	8.38	9.22
Book value per share	$13.79	$14.32

Statements of Financial Condition
(Unaudited -- in thousands)

Periods ended	Sept. 30 1990	Dec. 31 1989	Sept. 30 1989
Assets:			
Cash & due from banks	$5,727	$6,719	$6,442
Overnight invested funds	7,595	3,850	3,750
Debt securities	13,055	500	622
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	1,215	1,215	1,026
Marketable equity securities	2,194	8,023	10,999
Equities depreciation	(590)	--	--
Investment securities-net	23,469	13,588	16,397
Loans receivable	149,252	149,349	147,276
Allowance for loan losses	(947)	(889)	(866)
Loans receivable-net	148,305	148,460	146,410
Bank premises & equipment	6,022	6,069	5,615
Accrued income receivable	1,538	1,305	1,288
Other real estate owned	1,851	--	--
Other assets	2,364	3,281	2,450
Total other assets	11,775	10,655	9,353
Total assets	189,276	179,422	178,602
Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity:			
Time & savings deposits	146,486	126,738	130,044
Demand deposits	10,181	12,096	12,180
Total deposits	156,667	138,834	142,224
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank	16,000	23,000	19,099
Other liabilities	751	1,084	814
Total liabilities	173,418	162,918	162,137
Common stock (par value $1)	1,150	1,150	1,150
Additional paid-in capital	8,746	8,746	8,746
Retained earnings	5,962	6,608	6,569
Total stockholders' equity	15,858	16,504	16,465
Total liabilities & equity	189,276	179,422	178,602

Statements of Income
(Unaudited -- in thousands)

Three months ended Sept. 30;	1990	1989	Change
Interest on loans	$4,158	$4,223	$(65)
Interest on investments	422	344	78
Total interest income	4,580	4,567	13

Interest on deposits	2,635	2,592	43
Interest on borrowings	410	435	(25)
Total interest expense	3,045	3,027	18
Net interest income	1,535	1,540	(5)
Provision for loan losses	66	90	(24)
Net interest after provision for loan losses	1,469	1,450	19
Loan fees	50	35	15
Bank service fees	99	71	28
Net gain on securities/ asset sales	(6)	(7)	1
Total income	1,612	1,549	63
Salaries	551	482	69
Employee benefits	134	73	61
Office supplies & expenses	92	73	19
Fees & services	190	194	(4)
Occupancy expense	149	120	29
Equipment expense	257	183	74
Other expenses	215	167	48
Total general & administrative	1,588	1,292	296
Income before taxes	24	257	(233)
Applicable income taxes	--	27	(27)
Net income after taxes	24	230	(206)
Nine months ended Sept. 30;	1990	1989	Change
Interest on loans	$12,576	$11,862	$714
Interest on investments	1,257	1,053	204
Total interest income	13,833	12,915	918
Interest on deposits	7,877	7,263	614
Interest on borrowings	1,274	972	302
Total interest expense	9,151	8,235	916
Net interest income	4,682	4,680	2
Provision for loan losses	193	270	(77)
Net interest after provision for loan losses	4,489	4,410	79
Loan fees	148	106	42
Bank service fees	308	246	62
Net gain on securities/ asset sales	3	131	(128)
Total income	4,948	4,893	55
Salaries	1,657	1,449	208
Employee benefits	430	238	192
Office supplies & expenses	236	215	21
Fees & services	508	667	(159)
Occupancy expense	426	340	86
Equipment expense	702	596	106
Other expenses	550	452	98
Total general &			

administrative	4,509	3,957	552
Income before taxes	439	936	(497)
Applicable income taxes	82	152	(70)
Net income after taxes	357	784	(427)

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DALLAS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Republic Health Corporation (NASDAQ: REPH) today announced earnings and revenues for its first full quarter of operations following its emergence from Chapter 11 proceedings on April 30, 1990. For the fourth quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, the company reported net income of $1,419,000, or $.24 per share, on net revenue of $117,542,000 compared to a net loss of $24,355,000 on net revenue of $112,325,000 for the same period in 1989. The company also reported revenues and results of operations for the year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

At the same time, the company announced that Jack O'Callaghan, founder of the O'Callaghan Company, and Jay Rodney Reese, formerly chairman and CEO of Primefax, Inc., have been elected to its board of directors.

Commenting on the company's fourth-quarter earnings, Bryan P. Marsal, president and CEO of Republic, said: "Our results for this period clearly demonstrate that Republic has emerged from Chapter 11 as a strong organization positioned for continued positive performance. I have a great deal of confidence in this company due to our proven strategy, management team, and in light of the opportunities in the acute care hospital industry."

For the year ended Aug. 31, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $101,245,000 including non-recurring charges of $80,544,000 on net revenue of $481,254,000. This compares with a net loss of $69,620,000 on net revenue of $466,591,000 for the year ended 1989. The non- recurring charges included losses of $74,299,000 related to the sale and anticipated sales of certain facilities, and $6,245,000 associated with Republic Health's recapitalization.

Republic Health filed for a "pre-packaged" bankruptcy plan in December 1989 in order to reduce its level of indebtedness and interest burden. The reorganized company emerged from Chapter 11 as a publicly traded company less than five months later.

"During 1990, we achieved our goal of recapitalizing and are pleased that the associated charges and expenses are now behind us. We believe that in the year to come, investors will recognize the earnings potential of this company " Marsal said.

New Board Members The appointments of O'Callaghan and Reese increase

Republic's total number of directors to seven.

In February 1988, O'Callaghan was appointed chairman and oversight member of the board by the court and the creditor committee in the American Healthcare Management bankruptcy. His duties were completed on Dec. 31, 1989. He founded the O'Callaghan Company in 1979 after two years as president of the North Texas Commission. Earlier, he was with the Xerox Corporation for 17 years and retired as a senior vice president.

O'Callaghan has been a director for more than 20 public and private companies. He currently sits on the boards of the Savin Corporation and EDC, Inc.

Prior to becoming chairman and CEO of Primefax, Reese was president and CEO of Recognition Equipment Incorporated and manager of Network Security Corporation. He was with Texas Instruments Corporation from 1955 to 1973, where he held numerous senior management positions including president, Texas Instruments Supply Company.

Reese has been a board member for several companies and universities. He is currently a director of the North Texas Radio for the Blind and the Edna Gladney Center in Fort Worth, Texas.

Republic Health owns or leases and operates 14 acute care hospitals with 3,166 licensed beds and one surgery center in six states.

REPUBLIC HEALTH CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
(In thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended	Three months		Four months	Twelve months	
Aug. 31	1990	1989	1990	1990	1989
Net revenue(A)	$117,542	$112,325	$156,964	$481,254	$466,591
Costs & expenses	116,119	136,680	154,838	582,235	536,211
Net income (loss)	1,419	(24,355)	1,862	(101,245)	(69,620)
Earnings per share(B)	$0.24	--	$0.31	--	--

(A) -- Includes investment income of $2,247 for the three months and $5,185 for the 12 months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

(B) -- Earnings per share information prior to the company's reorganization on April 30, 1990, is not presented because it is not comparable to the company's post reorganization operations or capitalization. Earnings per share for the quarter and four-month period ended Aug. 31, 1990, was calculated using 5,932,000 shares and 5,939,000 shares, respectively.

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NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert E. Howson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of McDermott International, Inc. (NYSE: MDR), announced that Robert W. Page has been named executive vice president and group executive of McDermott's newly formed engineering and industrial group, effective Nov. 1. He will report to Howson.

In his new position, Page will be responsible for overseeing the management of Hudson Engineering and Project Management, Diamond Power Specialty Corporation Hudson Products Corporation, as well as McDermott's Worldwide Marketing and Government Operations.

Page has been Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works and chairman of the Panama Canal Commission since 1987. He was president and chief executive officer of PM Company from 1986 to 1987. Between 1981 and 1986, he was with Kellogg Rust Incorporated, first as president and chief executive officer of M. W. Kellogg Company, then as president and chief executive officer of Kellogg Rust, and, finally as chairman of the board and chief executive officer. Before that, from 1976 to 1981, he was president and chief executive officer of Rust Engineering Company.

Prior to these positions, Page had been president and chief executive officer of the George A. Fuller Company, a construction company, from 1972 to 1976; vice president of construction for Rockefeller Family and Associates from 1967 to 1972; assistant general manager, Bechtel Corporation, from 1962 to 1967; vice president of construction, Southeast Drilling Company, from 1961 to 1962; and manager of construction for the Arabian American Oil Company, from 1955 to 1960. He was an assistant professor of Engineering at the American University of Beirut from 1952 to 1954.

Page holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Architectural Engineering from Texas A&M University. He has served in the United States Navy during World War II and with the Central Intelligence Agency from 1950 to 1952.

McDermott International, Inc., is a leading worldwide energy services company. The company and its subsidiaries manufacture steam- generating equipment, defense products, and tubular products. They also provide engineering and construction services for industrial and utility facilities onshore, and to the oil and gas industry offshore.

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TAMPA, FLA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - First Florida Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: FFBK) today reported net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of

$3,357,000 ($.21 per share) as compared with $13,210,000 ($.83 per share) for the third quarter of 1989. These results produced returns on assets and equity for the third quarter of 1990 of .24 percent and 3.18 percent, respectively, as compared with 1.02 percent and 12.95 percent for the third quarter of 1989.

As was previously reported, First Florida's third quarter earnings reflect a $21.7 million provision to the loan loss reserve, compared with a $7.0 million provision in the second quarter of 1990, and a $3.4 million provision in the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $21,663,000 ($1.37 per share) as compared with $38,817,000 ($2.44 per share) for the same period in 1989. Returns on assets and equity for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were .52 percent and 6.99 percent, respectively, as compared with 1.00 percent and 12.99 percent for the first nine months of 1989.

First Florida Chairman A. Bronson Thayer said, "The growth trend for operating revenues remained on a positive track during the third quarter. The bank realized increases in net interest income and non-interest income over the third quarter of 1989. Net interest income was 5 percent higher than for the same period last year and non-interest income increased by 28 percent." Significant sources of non-interest income, including service charges, credit card discounts and fees, trust income and data processing fees, have experienced increases over the past year, he added.

The net interest margin for the third quarter of 1990 was 4.59 percent compared with 4.64 percent for the third quarter of 1989, and 4.68 percent in the second quarter of 1990. Earning assets continued to grow to $4,872.9 million at Sept. 30, 1990 compared with $4,573.4 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

First Florida's capital ratios also remain strong. The company's equity to asset ratio at Sept. 30, 1990 was 7.37 percent compared with 7.84 percent at Sept. 30, 1989 and 7.51 percent at June 30, 1990. The primary capital ratio at Sept. 30, 1990 was 8.31 percent compared with 8.63 percent at Sept. 30, 1989, and 8.47 percent at June 30, 1990. First Florida's book value per share at Sept. 30, 1990 was $26.39 compared with $25.95 at Sept. 30, 1989, and $26.41 at June 30, 1990.

The increased provision to the loan loss reserve was made as a result of a rise in non-performing assets as well as an increase in net loan losses during the quarter. Non-performing assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $79 million, or 2.03 percent of net loans plus other real estate, compared with $65 million at June 30, 1990 and $36 million at Sept. 30, 1989. The ratio of non-performing assets to net loans plus other real estate was 1.72 percent at June 30, 1990 and .98 percent at Sept. 30, 1989.

Of total non-performing assets at Sept. 30, 1990, non-performing loans were

$63 million, compared with $58 million at June 30, 1990, and $28 million at the end of the third quarter of 1989. The ratio of non-performing loans to net loans at Sept. 30, 1990 was 1.61 percent compared with 1.53 percent at June 30, 1990 and .76 percent at Sept. 30, 1989. Of total non-performing loans at Sept. 30, 1990, 70 percent were real estate loans, 27 percent were commercial loans, and 3 percent were consumer loans.

Net charge-offs were $21.5 million in the third quarter of 1990 compared with $4.4 million in the second quarter of this year and $3.4 million in the third quarter of 1989. Of the total charge-offs for the third quarter of 1990, commercial loan charge-offs were $11.5 million, consumer loan charge-offs were $8.5 million, and real estate loan charge-offs were $1.5 million.

Thayer further stated that the decision to increase the provision for loan losses replenishes the loan loss reserve for charged off loans, primarily installment and commercial loans. "Charge-offs of installment loans this quarter were higher than in prior periods due in part to the consolidation of our loan systems this quarter," he said. Thayer added that a continued softening of the Florida economy precipitated the increase in commercial loan charge-offs as well as the increase in non-performing assets.

Thayer said, "The immediate cause for concern remains the stability of both the state and national economies. Fortunately, we believe Florida is better prepared to weather a short-term decline."

While First Florida is intent on meeting the credit needs of the communities it serves, Thayer said the Bank's loan quality review committee is also taking steps to strengthen its credit review process through a rigorous monitoring of the loan portfolio on a continuous basis. "Uppermost in our minds must remain the critical need to protect the financial standing of First Florida," he said.

First Florida's total loans outstanding as of Sept. 30, 1990 were $3.88 billion, an increase of $218 million over the same date in 1989. The allowance for possible loan losses was $57.3 million at Sept. 30, 1990 compared with a Sept. 30, 1989 amount of $45.2 million. The ratio of the allowance for possible loan losses to net loans outstanding was 1.48 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to 1.24 percent at Sept. 30, 1989.

The ratio of the allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans was 91 percent at Sept. 30, 1990 compared with 98 percent at June 30, 1990. The ratio of the allowance for loan losses to non-performing assets was 73 percent at Sept. 30, 1990 compared with 87 percent at June 30, 1990.

At quarter end, total assets for the company were $5.65 billion compared with $5.26 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. Total deposits were $4.67 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $4.26 billion on the same date in 1989.

First Florida continued to pursue its supermarket banking strategy with an

additional store opening during this quarter. These retail branches are located inside Kash n' Karry supermarkets. Supermarket banking has become a significant trend across the country and has allowed First Florida to emerge as a leader in providing non-traditional banking options for improved customer convenience. Additional in-store branches will continue to open during the year.

First Florida Banks, Inc., a Tampa-based company with $5.7 billion in assets, operates 155 banking offices along Florida's West Coast from Pensacola to Naples/Marco Island and across the central Florida corridor to the Atlantic Coast.

First Florida Banks' common stock is traded in the national over-the-counter market under NASDAQ symbol FFBK.

FIRST FLORIDA BANKS, INC.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	1990	1989	Percent Change
Three Months Ended September 30:			
Net interest income (taxable equivalent)	$ 55,946	$ 53,132	5
Provision for loan losses	21,700	3,383	541
Non-interest income	24,132	18,800	28
Non-interest expense	52,957	47,970	10
Net income	3,357	13,210	(75)
Net interest margin	4.59 pct.	4.64 pct.	(1)
Per Share:			
Net Income - primary	$ 0.21	$ 0.83	(75)
Net Income - fully diluted	0.21	0.83	(75)
Cash dividends paid	0.24	0.24	-
Nine Months Ended September 30:			
Net interest income (taxable equivalent)	$ 167,200	$ 160,789	4
Provision for loan losses	42,619	9,851	333
Non-interest income	69,118	54,126	28
Non-interest expense	159,812	144,579	11
Net income	21,663	38,817	(44)
Net interest margin	4.65 pct.	4.79 pct.	(3)
Per Share:			
Net Income - primary	$ 1.37	$ 2.44	(44)
Net Income - fully diluted	1.36	2.43	(44)
Cash dividends paid	0.72	0.66	9
At September 30,			
Total assets	$ 5,651,742	$ 5,258,601	7
Loans, net of unearned income	3,878,722	3,660,628	6
Total deposits	4,669,788	4,255,718	10

Allowance for loan losses	57,328	45,219	27
Non-performing assets	78,895	35,852	120
Shareholders' equity	416,310	412,058	1
Shares outstanding	15,774	15,878	-
Equity to assets	7.37 pct.	7.84 pct.	(6)
Primary capital ratio	8.31	8.63	(4)
Total capital ratio	8.31	8.64	(4)

FIRST FLORIDA BANKS, INC.

QUARTERLY DATA

(in millions, except per share data)

	1990			
	Q-3	Q-2	Q-1	
Summary of Operating Results: Net interest income (tax equivalent basis)	$56.0	$56.3	$54.9	
Provision for loan losses	21.7	7.0	13.9	
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	34.3	49.3	41.0	
Non-interest income	24.1	23.4	21.6	
Non-interest expense excluding special charge)	53.0	54.3	52.5	
Special charge for cost of organizational restructuring and VERP	-	-	-	
Income before income taxes	5.4	18.4	10.1	
Income taxes (tax equivalent basis)	2.0	6.6	3.6	
Net Income	$3.4	$11.8	$6.5	Per Share Data:
Net income:				
Primary	$0.21	$0.75	$0.41	
Fully diluted	0.21	0.74	0.41	
Cash dividends paid	0.24	0.24	0.24	
Book value at period-end	26.39	26.41	25.91	
Average shares(in thousands):				
Primary	15,723	15,804	15,878	
Fully diluted	15,776	15,863	15,960	
Average Balances: Loans, net of unearned income	$3,857	$3,780	$3,711	
Total earning assets	4,838	4,825	4,747	
Total assets	5,567	5,598	5,516	
Non-interest bearing deposits	835	926	876	
Interest-bearing deposits	3,797	3,772	3,705	
Shareholders' equity	418	416	409	
Performance Ratios:				
Return on assets (pct.)	0.24	0.85	0.47	
Return on equity	3.18	11.40	6.32	
Net interest margin	4.59	4.68	4.69	
Allowance for loan losses to net loans at period end	1.48	1.5	1.46	
Non-performing assets to net				

loans and other real estate at period end	2.03	1.72	1.53

FIRST FLORIDA BANKS, INC.

QUARTERLY DATA

(in millions, except per share data)

	1989			
	Q-4	Q-3	Q-2	Q-1
Summary of Operating Results: Net interest income (tax equivalent basis)	$54.9	$53.1	$53.5	$54.1
Provision for loan losses	9.0	3.4	3.3	3.2
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	45.9	49.7	50.2	50.9
Non-interest income	20.5	18.8	18.1	17.3
Non-interest expense excluding special charge)	53.0	48.0	48.7	47.9
Special charge for cost of organizational restructuring and VERP	12.0	-	-	-
Income before income taxes	1.4	20.5	19.6	20.3
Income taxes (tax equivalent basis)	0.7	7.3	6.9	7.4
Net Income	$0.7	$13.2	$12.7	$12.9
Per Share Data: Net income:				
Primary	$0.04	$0.83	$0.80	$0.81
Fully diluted	0.04	0.83	0.79	0.81
Cash dividends paid	0.24	0.24	0.21	0.21
Book value at period-end	25.75	25.95	25.46	24.87
Average shares(in thousands):				
Primary	15,914	15,925	15,910	15,898
Fully diluted	15,996	16,000	16,000	15,994
Average Balances:				
Loans, net of unearned income	$3,680	$3,639	$3,652	$3,555
Total earning assets	4,687	4,540	4,541	4,415
Total assets	5,384	5,189	5,192	5,103
Non-interest bearing deposits	851	796	855	867
Interest-bearing deposits	3,580	3,423	3,433	3,380
Shareholders' equity	412	408	400	390
Performance Ratios:				
Return on assets (pct.)	0.05	1.02	0.98	1.03
Return on equity	0.62	12.95	12.67	13.43
Net interest margin	4.64	4.64	4.73	4.97
Allowance for loan losses to net loans at period end	1.30	1.24	1.23	1.25
Non-performing assets to net loans and other real estate at period end	1.31	.98	.90	.67

FIRST FLORIDA BANKS, INC.

QUARTERLY DATA

(in millions, except per share data)

	Nine months ended September 30, 1990	1989
Summary of Operating Results: Net interest income (tax equivalent basis)	$167.2	$160.8
Provision for loan losses	42.6	9.9
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	124.6	150.9
Non-interest income	69.1	54.1
Non-interest expense excluding special charge)	159.8	144.5
Special charge for cost of organizational restructuring and VERP	-	-
Income before income taxes	33.9	60.5
Income taxes (tax equivalent basis)	12.2	21.7
Net Income	$21.7	$38.8
Per Share Data:		
Net income:		
Primary	$1.37	$2.44
Fully diluted	1.36	2.43
Cash dividends paid	0.72	0.66
Book value at period-end	26.39	25.95
Average shares (in thousands):		
Primary	15,807	15,911
Fully diluted	15,912	15,998
Average Balances:		
Loans, net of unearned income	$3,783	$3,608
Total earning assets	4,803	4,490
Total assets	5,561	5,173
Non-interest bearing deposits	879	876
Interest-bearing deposits	3,758	3,400
Shareholders' equity	414	400
Performance Ratios:		
Return on assets (pct.)	0.52	1.00
Return on equity	6.99	12.99
Net interest margin	4.65	4.79
Allowance for loan losses to net loans at period end	1.48	1.24
Non-performing assets to net loans and other real estate at period end	2.03	.98

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SEATTLE (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Brazilian airline, Varig, has ordered 14 Boeing aircraft in a major fleet expansion move, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group confirmed today.

Varig ordered six Boeing 747-400s with five options and eight Boeing 737-300s with seven options. Total value of the order is about $2.6 billion, of which about $1.3 billion is for the 14 on firm order. This is the largest single order in the airline's history and the largest aircraft order in dollar terms by a Latin American carrier.

In a signing ceremony yesterday in Rio de Janeiro, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group President Dean Thornton noted Varig's strong association with Boeing: "Our latest count shows that Varig operates 63 Boeing airplanes, owned and leased. If we include the 747-400s and 737-300s ordered today and total options, Varig has an additional 42 Boeing airplanes on order directly from Boeing and through leasing companies. We appreciate Varig's confidence in Boeing as expressed in the composition of its fleet and this latest order."

Varig's 747-400s will be powered by General Electric CF6-80C2-B1F engines. The airline also will lease two 747-400s from International Lease Finance Corp. of Beverly Hills, Calif.

Varig's new 737-300s will be powered by CFM56-3B2 engines built by CFM International, a joint venture of General Electric of the United States and SNECMA of France.

This is the second major Boeing order announced by Varig this year. In February the carrier confirmed orders for 15 Boeing 737-300s valued at $450 million.

The Boeing 747-400, the world's largest, most modern and longest range jetliner, boasts technical advances in aerodynamics, structural materials, avionics and interior design. It can be distinguished from earlier 747 versions by upturned six-foot-high (1.8 m) "winglets" at the tip of each wing. Capable of ranges up to 8,400 statute miles (13,518 km), the new superjet consumes 11 percent to 15 percent less fuel than 747-300s.

The 737-300 is the mid-sized member of a family of three new jetliners -- along with the larger 737-400 and the smaller 737-500 -- designed to be among the quietest and most fuel-efficient aircraft in the world. All three offer many of the features developed for the original, highly successful 737-200, but consume up to 25 percent less fuel per seat.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Prime Bancorp Inc.'s (NASDAQ-NMS: PSAB) announced today that its consolidated financial results continue their steady upward trend despite the current economic conditions.

The first quarter figures continue to indicate the company's strength and soundness as a quality bank. With the conclustion of the stock repurchase program, the company's book value per share has increased to $28.68 per share at Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income was $954,369 or 72 cents per share compared to $921,195 for the comparable period in 1989. Net interest income before provision for loan losses increased by 19.7 percent to $3,345,365 for the quarter compared with $2,793,191 for the same period in 1989. The company's net interest rate margin has advanced to an all-time high of 4.23 percent. This constant improvement demonstrates the company's commitment toward strong earnings.

The company has maintained a 1.14 percent return on average assets for the respective quarters ended Sept. 30 1989, and 1990. Prime's return on avergage equity at quarter end was 10.18 percent. Assets grew to $336,490,057 at Sept. 30, 1990. The company's ratio of non- performing loans to loans receivable, net, was 1.1 percent for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Prime Bancorp Inc.'s common stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System. Its price as of the close of business yesterday was $11.25. Prime Bancorp Inc. is headquartered in Philadelphia. Prime Savings Bank fsb is a federally chartered savings bank which conducts operations in Philadelphia, Bucks and Montgomery counties through nine full-service offices. The bank's deposits are federally insured by the Savings Association Insurance Fund, a fund administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

PRIME BANCORP INC.

Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
Assets:		
Cash in banks	$3,411,508	$4,073,498
Interest-bearing deposits	17,010,905	12,104,007
Cash and cash equivalents	20,422,413	16,177,505
Investment securities	8,553,963	5,588,261
Mortgage-backed securities	21,783,481	22,203,947
Loans receivable, net	270,910,231	276,192,165
Accrued interest receivable:		
Loans	2,422,201	2,262,551
Mortgage-backed securities	157,142	160,071
Investments and other	213,865	106,108
Real estate owned	81,540	119,076
Land acquired for development and resale	2,040,804	2,201,420
Property and equipment	6,656,818	6,605,332
Other assets	3,247,599	3,131,742
Total assets	336,490,057	334,748,178
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		

Liabilities:		
Deposits	276,310,270	272,914,599
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh	1,900,000	1,900,000
Other borrowed money	16,939,218	17,151,157
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	1,050,412	2,595,374
Other liabilities	2,613,256	2,891,317
Total liabilities	298,813,156	297,452,447
Stockholders' equity:		
Seriel preferred, $1 par value; 5 million shares authorized and unissued	--	--
Common stock, $1 par value; 10 million shares authorized; 1,382,913 shares issued	1,382,913	1,382,913
Additional paid-in capital	12,868,038	12,868,038
Retained earnings substantially restricted	24,275,241	23,510,280
Treasury stock (38,000 and 69,145 shares at cost)	(815,324)	(465,500)
Unrealized loss on marketable equity securities	(33,967)	--
Total stockholder's equity	37,676,901	37,295,731
Total liabilities and stockholder's equity	336,490,057	334,748,178

PRIME BANCORP INC.

Consolidated Statements of Operations

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Interest income:		
Loans receivable	$7,748,288	$7,261,898
Mortgage-backed securities	465,115	601,396
Investment securities	176,089	134,621
Deposits	217,224	204,224
Total interest income	8,606,716	8,202,139
Interest expense:		
Deposits	4,843,665	5,199,409
Short-term borrowings	368,447	92,201
Long-term borrowings	49,239	117,329
Total interest expense	5,261,351	5,408,948
Net interest income	3,345,365	2,793,191
Provision for loan losses	483,000	105,000
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	2,862,365	2,688,191
Other income (expenses):		
Loan fees and service charges	151,739	139,181
Gain (loss) on sale of:		
Loans	90,267	60,072

Mortgage-backed securities	--	(21,482)
Investments	--	146,152
Gain on sale of land acquired for development and resale	50,253	110,723
Loss on sale of REO	--	(4,834)
Other	187,771	182,751
Total other income (expenses)	480,030	612,563
Other expenses:		
Salaries and employee benefits	879,457	788,996
Occupancy and equipment	292,068	240,295
Data processing	91,039	94,231
Federal insurance premiums	132,492	121,604
Other	403,735	401,498
Total other expenses	1,798,791	1,646,624
Income before income taxes	1,543,604	1,654,130
Income taxes	589,235	732,935
Net income	954,369	921,195
Earnings per share (primary and fully diluted)	$.72	$.67
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	1,327,272	1,380,000
Dividends declared per share	$.14	$.12

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DALLAS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph F. McKinney, chief executive officer of Tyler Corp. (NYSE: TYL), announced today that earnings per share from continuing operations for the third quarter of 1990 grew to 7 cents from 2 cents in the year-earlier period. Operating profit advances at Tyler Pipe combined with reductions in corporate expense to produce this improvement. Sales rose 15 percent to $59.5 million for the quarter, and income was $1.4 million.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, earnings per share from continuing operations were 17 cents compared to a loss of 2 cents in the same period last year. Sales increased 17 percent to $169.7 million.

"Tyler Pipe's operating performance has shown substantial improvement over last year," stated McKinney. "This advance has been achieved through better tonnage and marginally higher prices despite deteriorating construction markets.

"The outlook for construction expenditures is pretty grim," McKinney continued "and this will definitely influence future earnings. Because of market share gains, operating improvements and our strong balance sheet, we feel in

comfortable shape, however, and expect to over-participate when conditions improve."

Results from continuing operations consist principally of the operations of Tyler Pipe. Atlas Powder and Reliance Universal are included in discontinued operations along with expenses related to these divestitures.

Tyler Corp., with national headquarters in Dallas, provides cast iron pipe and fittings for drain, waste and vent and waterworks applications.

TYLER CORP.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	Three months ended September 30		
	1990	1989	Percent of Change
Net sales	$59,537	$51,702	+15
Costs and expenses	57,398	50,915	+13
Interest income (expense)	86	(174)	--
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income tax (benefit)	2,225	613	+263
Income tax (benefit)	801	90	--
Income (loss) from continuing operations	1,424	523	+172
Income from discontinued operations, after income tax	--	1,708	--
Net income	$ 1,424	$ 2,231	-36
Earnings (loss) per common share:			
Continuing operations	$ .07	$ .02	+250
Discontinued operations	--	.09	--
Net earnings	$ .07	$ .11	-36
Average shares outstanding during the period (thousands)	20,989	21,256	

	Nine months ended September 30		
	1990	1989	Percent of Change
Net sales	$169,714	$144,768	+17
Costs and expenses	164,568	145,117	+13
Interest income (expense)	204	(276)	--
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income tax (benefit)	5,350	(625)	--
Income tax (benefit)	1,926	(93)	--
Income (loss) from continuing operations	3,424	(532)	--
Income from discontinued operations, after income tax	123	3,668	-97

Net income	$ 3,547	$ 3,136	+13
Earnings (loss) per common share:			
Continuing operations	$ .17	$ (.02)	--
Discontinued operations	--	.17	--
Net earnings	$ .17	$ .15	+13
Average shares outstanding during the period (thousands)	20,987	21,413	

Discontinued operations for 1989 include both Reliance Universal and Atlas Powder while those for 1990 include only Atlas. Results of discontinued operations in both periods include interest expense on debt associated with discontinued operations. Net sales of discontinued operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $82,459, and for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 were $100,330 and $357,217, respectively.

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ROLLING MEADOWS, IL (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. (NYSE: AJC) today announced its third quarter results. Total revenues increased 14 percent from $48,192,000 to $54,794,000. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $7,738,000, an increase of 8% from net income of $7,187,000 reported for the third quarter of 1989. Quarterly earnings per share were $.63 for 1990 compared to $.57 for 1989, an 11 percent increase.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $146,344,000, compared to $130,766,000 last year, an increase of 12 percent. Net income was $12,799,000, down $1,155,000 for the first nine months from $13,954,000 last year. Earnings per share for nine months were $1.04, down 7 percent from $1.12 in 1989.

Robert E. Gallagher, chairman and chief executive officer, stated that market conditions remain very competitive; however, strong new business and an intensified effort to keep our existing clients resulted in a 14 percent revenue growth for the quarter.

Arthur J. Gallagher & Co., an international insurance brokerage and risk management services firm, is headquartered in Rolling Meadows, Ill., and is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol AJG.

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DALTON, GA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - In ceremonies today, Shaw Industries, Inc. (NYSE: SHX) will be awarded the highest honor given by Philip B. Crosby, The Quality Fanatics Award. The award will be presented to Robert E. Shaw, president and CEO, at the Annual Quality Awards Banquet this evening by Crosby founder and chairman of the world's largest educational and consulting firm dealing specifically with quality management, Philip Crosby Associates, Inc. (PCA).

Shaw Industries, Inc. is the number one carpet manufacturer in the world with $1.5 billion in sales. Shaw Industries, Inc. became involved in the Quality Improvement Process due to its desire to maintain and enhance its position as a leader in all aspects of the carpet industry. Now over 15,000 employees work toward a common goal, and the potential is tremendous with documented millions saved.

The Quality Fanatics Award honors select companies who have made a total corporate commitment to the quality process. To be so honored, a company must demonstrate over a period of time the following: First, decide you want a Zero Defects strategy and; Announce a clear, specific quality policy; Next display management commitment through action, and; Assure that everyone is educated so they can perform; Then eliminate opportunities to compromise performance, and; Insist that every supplier do the same; Convince everyone that we are dependent on each other and; Satisfy the customer first, last and always.

Crosby is the sole judge as to who may become a Quality Fanatic Award winner. The awards are given on a very selective basis.

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Kroy Sign Systems, a major manufacturer and distributor of interior architectural sign products, has announced its new Sign Dealer Program.

The new program will develop and manage a nationwide dealer network to expand its existing distribution channel of Architectural Sign Consultants.

Product demand has inspired the dealer program, which will allow Kroy Sign Systems to even better serve its customers in local markets, according to Kroy Sign Systems Marketing Manager Hjordy Johnston.

Kroy Sign Systems is known for innovative products and services that create and support comprehensive, cost-effective sign solutions. Dealers are expected to be attracted by the wide range and many advantages of Kroy's sign products, including the strong aesthetic appeal and efficient production

process.

"We are committed to developing and supporting a dynamic network of dealers to service the rapidly expanding interior signage market," said Johnston.

Kroy's unique program provides comprehensive support in marketing and sales for the new sign dealer to ensure a successful introduction of Kroy's products into the interior architectural sign market.

Existing Kroy Architectural Sign Consultants will work with dealers by identifying, developing and securing new projects. The consultants will evolve into a field management and support network for the sign dealer.

Kroy Sign Systems is a division of visual communications products manufacturer Kroy Inc. The Kroy Sign Dealer program was rolled out Oct. 1 by special invitation.

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GREENSBURG, PA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Jeffrey S. Ratner, chairman of Sulcus Computer Corp. (NASDAQ: SULC) announced today that its board of directors has approved the terms of a definitive agreement callin for the merger of Lodgistix Inc. (NASDAQ: LDGX) into Sulcus's hospitality subsidiary.

The Lodgistix board had approved the transaction earlier.

Ratner also stated that, after further discussions and investigation, the exchange ratio was changed. The exact number of units to be issued is to be based on an agreed value of $3,100,000 for all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of Lodgistix divided by the average price of the Sulcus units (SULCU) as quoted on NASDAQ for a period of time prior to the completion of the registration statement to be filed in accordance with this transaction, subject to the further requirement that Sulcus will not be required to issue more than one whole unit for each 7.5 shares of Lodgistix capital stock. The Sulcus unit consists of two shares of common stock and two redeemable stock purchase warrants.

In making the announcement, Paul Hammar also stated the Cardinal Investment Co. sold its entire one million share equity position in Lodgistix to a Lodgistix distributor in Switzerland and to certain key managers at Lodgistix.

The combined operations will represent the only software development company in the industry offering automation in both the UNIX and IBM/DOS/Network environments. The respective boards cited improved opportunities in consolidating research and development and their combined world-wide sales and

service networks as major factors in approving the agreement.

"We"re putting together techologies that will create the leading developer of hotel automation systems worldwide," Ratner said. "We like the Lodgistix LANmark product's open architecture, and want to add to the product by seamlessly integrating new capabilities."

LANmark is the high-performance hotel automation system designed to operate on both a local and a wide area network (LAN and WAN, respectively).

Ratner added, "Through our Phoenix-based Hospitality Management Systems subsidiary, we shall also offer UNIX-based products for automating front office, back office, point of sale, sales and catering, yield management, central reservations, and credit card authorization -- providing all major technolgies on a variety of operating systems to the hospitality industry."

When the merger is completed, the combined operations will hold approximatley 32 percent of the hospitality market, according to the principals.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Whitman Corporation's (NYSE: WH) third quarter results, announced today, reflect the restructuring plan the company announced September 28. The plan includes the tax-free distribution of Pet Incorporated shares to Whitman shareholders.

The spin-off, which is subject to market conditions and a tax-free ruling by the Internal Revenue Service, is hoped to be completed in the first quarter of 1991. Whitman's third quarter financial results now show Pet in discontinued operations. All 1989 numbers have been restated to reflect Pet as discontinued as well.

The plan also includes an after-tax charge against third quarter earnings of $150 million, which is also reflected in this report. The special charge will facilitate an annualized after-tax reduction in total operating costs of $54 million.

On this basis, Whitman's income from continuing operations for the third quarter, excluding the special charge, was $33 million (23 cents per share), up 10 percent from last year's restated $30.1 million (20 cents per share). Sales were $639.7 million, up 5 percent from last year's $607.7 million.

For the third quarter, operating income of Pepsi-Cola General Bottlers was up 24 percent over last year, and Midas was up 19 percent. Hussmann, which has

continued to improve after a slow start in the first half, reported a decline of 18 percent in operating income.

Pet's third quarter income, excluding the special charge, was $45 million, down 28 percent from last year's $63 million. Pet's sales were $419 million, up 1 percent from last year's restated $415 million.

Including the special charge and Pet's results, Whitman reported a net loss of $102.8 million ($1.09 a share) compared to earnings of $53.6 million (43 cents a share) in 1989.

James W. Cozad, chairman and chief executive officer, said "It is clear from these results that Whitman, after the spin-off of Pet, will be a very strong company with market-leading brands. Midas and Pepsi General continue to set records, and Hussmann's results are improving month by month. After the spin-off, an independent Pet should also be more fairly valued in the market, serving to unlock the value of our assets for the benefit of our shareholders."

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HANCOCK, MICH. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - D&N Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: DNFC) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Kenneth D. Seaton said today that third-quarter earnings have been delayed pending a review of allowances for loan loss provisions. In other actions, the company announced a workforce reduction plan designed to reduce annual expenses $1.5 million.

"We currently are conducting a review of the adequacy of our loan loss reserves," said Seaton. "This review should be completed and earnings announced the week of Oct. 22. While no specific additional problems have been identified on our loan portfolio, with the declining state of the national real estate market and the likelihood of a recession, we felt it prudent to conduct such a review at this time."

Commenting on operational results, Seaton stated that net interest income is expected to be $9.5 million, which is in line with the bank's business plan for the year. This reflects strong core operations plus the continued positive impact of an ongoing cost containment program. The company's workforce reduction plan culminated this week in the elimination of 21 existing staff positions. These, along with about 30 positions eliminated since the beginning of the year, combined to achieve a $1.5 million annual compensation expense reduction. After the position eliminations, the D&N workforce stands at 549.

"Since the beginning of the year, we have eliminated 9 percent of our total workforce through attrition, retirement and terminations. The current

reductions concentrated on management and supervisory positions. We have made no cutbacks in direct customer service positions, assuring our customers no change in our traditionally high customer service levels," said Seaton.

Commenting on the plan, Seaton stated that a comprehensive evaluation of bank and mortgage company operations and workforce was conducted with the specific goal of increasing shareholder return on investment. One result of that evaluation was the staff reduction plan. Other results include organizational and systems changes to improve operating efficiency.

"These changes are consistent with recent trends in the financial services industry to consolidate and reduce the costs of administrative and staff support functions," noted Seaton.

Employees whose positions have been eliminated are receiving as part of their severance package the services of an outplacement firm contracted by D&N to assist in a job search and re-employment program.

D&N reported earnings of $1.2 million or $.33 per share and $1.6 million or $.43 per share for the first and second quarters, respectively, of this year. For the 1989 third quarter, D&N reported $1.1 million or $.30 per share.

D&N Financial Corp., through its subsidiary, D&N Savings Bank, FSB, has financial services offices throughout Michigan's Upper Peninsula and mid-Michigan, as well as mortgage banking operations in Arizona, Illinois, Michigan, North Carolina and Texas. D&N is the fourth-largest thrift institution in Michigan based on asset size. D&N Financial Corp.'s stock is traded over the counter and is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol DNFC.

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WETHERSFIELD, CONN. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Shared Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: STCH) reported record sales of $2,067,000 for the month of August. This level of revenue is a milestone and sets a solid foundation for continued growth. STI also reported record profits of $103,000 and cash flow of $321,000 both on an operating basis (before corporate overhead and interest expense). Anthony D. Autorino, STI chairman and chief executive officer, stated "we have achieved these results in difficult economic times but since our business provides real economic benefit and improved productivity to our customers, the outlook for STI has never been better. I think we can all look forward to continued growth in revenue, cash flow and profits as we move into the fourth quarter of 1990 and begin the planning process for 1991."

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DALLAS, (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Dresser Industries Inc. (NYSE: DI) today announced that its board of directors has approved a stock repurchase plan that authorizes the company to buy Dresser common stock from time to time in the open market.

John J. Murphy, Dresser chairman and president, said: "This action represents prudent utilization of the company's cash balances for the long-term enhancement of shareholder values. Management feels the stock is currently undervalued and that purchasing it as appropriate will not only be an attractive investment for the company but a very positive indication of our confidence in the future of Dresser."

Headquartered in Dallas, Dresser is a major supplier of highly engineered products and services primarily utilized in energy-related activities throughout the world.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - A complete set of Essence magazines chronicling two decades of African-American women's history will be donated by Coca-Cola USA to New York's Schomburg Center of Research in Black Culture.

The donation is being made in conjunction with this week's 20th anniversary celebration of Essence magazine and the fourth Annual Essence Awards.

Essence magazine, covering a diverse range of topics, has extensively profiled the life and experiences of African-American achievers and celebrities.

"In its short 20-year history, Essence has become the nation's premier lifestyle magazine for African-American women," said Mike Steele, director, African-American Consumer Markets, Coca-Cola USA. "The information it has offered needs to be preserved and shared, and what better way to do that than working with the Schomburg."

Located in the famed Harlem district, the center, devoted to the preservation of materials on African-American life, is one of the most widely used research facilities in the world. The facility houses more than 5 million items, including a general reference collection ranging from literary masterworks by African-American authors to the U.S. Census records from 1790 to 1900.

It also has special collections of resource material that include rare books, manuscripts, sheet music, art, photographs and audiovisual materials.

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GRAND CAYMAN ISLANDS, British West Indies (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - General Oriental Investments Limited (''GOIL'') announces that it proposes to acquire from an affiliate of Hanson Industries an effective 42 percent stake in Newmont Mining Corporation (''Newmont'') for U.S. $1.111 billion. The stake, which is subject to an existing standstill agreement, will first be offered to Newmont which has the right to match GOIL's cash offer within 60 days.

GOIL also announces that it has agreed to sell all the outstanding stock of General Oriental Securities Limited (''GOSL'') to a subsidiary of Hanson PLC (''Hanson''), for U.S. $1.111 billion in cash. GOSL's principal asset is an 85 percent interest in Cavenham Forest Industries (''CFI''), which is a large private owner of U.S. timberlands and a substantial U.S. lumber producer. Hanson's obligation to purchase the GOSL stock is conditioned upon either Newmont or GOIL buying the 42 percent Newmont stake for U.S. $1.111 billion in cash.

A subsidiary of St. James's Place Capital plc, subject to any necessary approvals, has offered to acquire Hanson's remaining effective 7 percent stake in Newmont for U.S. $189 million in the form of a Note and has entered into an arrangement to sell to Hanson their indirect 15 percent interest in CFI for U.S. $189 million in cash.

The result of this transaction is that GOIL will dispose of its only operating subsidiary and will transform itself into an investment company. GOIL's intention will be to reduce, in due course, its holding in Newmont so as to further diversify its investments. It is intended that any disposal of the Newmont shares would be carried out in cooperation with Newmont's management and in accordance with the applicable terms of the existing standstill agreement. GOIL looks forward to a supportive and constructive relations hip with Newmont's management.

Salmon Brothers Inc. has acted as financial advisor to GOIL in this transaction.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - First Executive Corp. (NASDAQ: FEXC) announced today that its board of directors has elected Kenneth R. Rogers as a director of the company. Rogers is executive vice president and multinational managing director of Backer Spielvogel Bates Worldwide, the fourth largest advertising agency in the world. With the election of Rogers, the number of directors of First Executive is increased from five to six.

Fred Carr, chairman and chief executive officer, said that Rogers brings a great deal of talent and experience to the company and that the board expects that Rogers will be able to make a valuable contribution to the company and the board of directors.

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DETROIT (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Comerica Incorporated (OTC: CMCA) today reported quarterly earnings of $33.3 million, or $1.96 per share. This compares with a net loss of $9.1 million, or $0.63 per share, in the third quarter 1989. Third-quarter 1989 results included the effect of a $59 million or $2.46 per share, addition to the loan loss reserve for Latin American loans. Without the additional reserve, earnings for the third quarter 1989 would have been $29.8 million, or $1.83 per share. Return on common shareholders' equity was 18.10 percent for the third quarter of 1990, and return on assets was 1.11 percent.

Net income for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $97.1 million, or $5.72 per share, compared to $48.6 million, or $2.88 per share, for the same period in 1989. Without the additional reserve, earnings would have been $87.4 million, or $5.34 per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The increase in quarterly earnings was due primarily to growth in the corporation's net interest income. This growth was caused by both a higher level of earning assets and a change in their mix. "Consumer loans increased $400 million and investment securities increased $450 million," according to Eugene A. Miller, chairman, president and chief executive officer. These increases were offset in part by lower time deposits. The growth in loans was largely unrelated to acquisitions.

Nonperforming assets were $121 million at Sept. 30, 1990, up from $109 million at year-end 1989, but down from $135 million at June 30, 1990. As a percentage of period-end loans, nonperforming assets were 1.51 percent at Sept. 30, compared with 1.67 percent at June 30 and 1.37 percent at Dec. 31, 1989. Net charge-offs for the quarter were $12.7 million, compared with $9.5 million for the third quarter last year.

At Sept. 30, 1990, assets totaled $13.3 billion compared with $11.4 billion last year, and loans totaled $8.0 billion compared with $7.5 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. Deposits were $10.8 billion compared with $9.4 billion a year earlier, and shareholders' equity was $770 million compared to $657 million in 1989. The acquisition in late September of the Michigan operations of Empire Federal Savings Bank added $974 million in deposit balances at Sept. 30, 1990. Less than $1 million in loans were assumed as part of this acquisition.

COMERICA INCORPORATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Pct.
	1990	1989	Change
Income and Dividends (in thousands)			
Interest income	$289,073	$283,842	+ 2%
Interest expense	165,768	173,507	- 4%
Net interest income	123,305	110,335	+ 12%
Provision for loan losses	13,471	68,603	- 80%
Non-interest income	40,521	33,903	+ 20%
Non-interest expenses	105,516	94,777	+ 11%
Net income (loss)	33,335	(9,110)	-
Cash dividends declared on preferred stock	904	904	-
Cash dividends declared on common stock	10,746	9,487	+ 13%
Per Common Share(a) Net income (loss):			
Primary	$ 1.96	$ (.63)	-
Fully diluted	1.93	(.63)	-
Cash dividends declared	.65	.60	+ 8%
Shareholders' equity (at Sept. 30)	44.19	39.09	+ 13%
Primary average common shares outstanding	16,531,947	15,829,842	
Ratios			
Return on average common shareholders' equity	18.10%	(6.22%)	
Return on average total assets	1.11%	(.32%)	
Common shareholders' equity as percent of total assets (Sept. 30)	5.50%	5.41%	
Primary capital as percent of total assets (Sept. 30)	7.33%	8.26%	
Total capital as percent of total assets (Sept. 30)	8.44%	9.56%	
Daily Average Balances (in thousands)			
Total assets	$12,034,321	$11,367,793	+ 6%
Total earning assets	11,087,867	10,540,711	+ 5%
Loans	7,994,648	7,419,669	+ 8%
Deposits	9,705,000	9,247,914	+ 5%

Borrowings	1,343,367	1,233,782	+ 9%
Common shareholders' equity	716,632	644,150	+ 11%
Period-end Balances (in thousands)			
Total assets	$13,300,858	$11,447,695	+ 16%
Total earnings assets	12,144,206	10,542,025	+ 15%
Loans	8,043,396	7,502,443	+ 7%
Deposits	10,780,687	9,365,256	+ 15%
Borrowings	1,508,823	1,213,142	+ 24%
Common shareholders' equity	731,963	619,482	+ 18%

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Income and Dividends (in thousands)			
Interest income	$859,422	$833,785	+ 3%
Interest expense	497,932	502,528	- 1%
Net interest income	361,490	331,257	+ 9%
Provision for loan losses	39,924	90,799	- 56%
Non-interest income	116,293	99,668	+ 17%
Non-interest expenses	308,087	282,748	+ 9%
Net income	97,073	48,564	+100%
Cash dividends declared on preferred stock	2,711	3,116	- 13%
Cash dividends declared on common stock	32,164	26,812	+ 20%
Per Common Share(a) Net income:			
Primary	$5.72	$2.88	+ 99%
Fully diluted	5.62	2.83	+ 99%
Cash dividends declared	1.95	1.70	+ 15%
Primary average common shares outstanding	16,502,604	15,774,735	
Ratios			
Return on average common shareholders' equity	18.10%	9.71%	
Return on average total assets	1.08%	.58%	
Daily Average Balances (in thousands)			
Total assets	$11,970,853	$11,144,619	+ 7%
Total earning assets	11,063,543	10,337,272	+ 7%
Loans	7,929,339	7,175,434	+ 11%
Deposits	9,694,168	9,256,059	+ 5%
Borrowings	1,335,771	1,026,394	+ 30%
Common shareholders' equity	695,250	624,321	+ 11%

(a) The primary earnings per share computation is based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding during each period. The fully diluted earnings per share computation is based on the conversion of the corporation's convertible subordinated debentures into its common shares and the elimination of the interest expense, net of income tax effect, related to these debentures. Cash dividends declared are calculated on the number of shares

outstanding as of the record date.

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ARMSTRONG, IA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - James L. Koley, chairman of the board of directors of Art's-Way Manufacturing Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: ARTW) announced that the board declared a regular quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share on common stock payable Nov. 13, 1990, to holders of record Oct. 30, 1990.

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#90289p5480 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
JACKSON, Miss. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobile Telecommunication Technologies Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: MTTL) announced today that it has agreed to form a joint venture company with COMPTA, S.A. to develop nationwide and international paging in Portugal. COMPTA, S.A. is a diversified telecommunications and data processing company based in Lisbon.

The joint venture will apply for authorization to provide paging, voice messaging and alert notification services using Mtel's proprietary software and hardware technology. Mtel will own a 25 percent equity interest in the joint venture, the maximum currently permitted under Portuguese law.

"Our partnership with COMPTA is an excellent vehicle for providing paging and related services to a broad market in Portugal and gives Mtel another important foothold in the emerging European communications market," said Alexander H. Good, president of Mtel International. "We look forward to offering the most sophisticated paging and alert notification technology through our new Portugal-based company."

According to Good, the Portuguese joint venture is another step forward in Mtel's long-term strategy to develop an international messaging network. Mtel's current international interests include ownership of a nationwide paging operator and paging hardware manufacturer in the United Kingdom (Mtel U.K.); a joint venture with Singapore Telecom International (STI) to develop national and international paging and voice messaging services in certain countries in the Asia Pacific region; and an ownership position in a nationwide paging company in Thailand.

"COMPTA, with its almost 20 years experience in the Portuguese market, is a strong complementary partner and is very pleased to join Mtel in this venture " said Vitor Assuncao, president of COMPTA, S.A.

Mtel, headquartered in Jackson, is engaged in businesses that include nationwide paging and voice messaging services in the U.S.; nationwide paging services and paging system manufacturing in the U.K.; interests in other satellite-based telecommunication systems; air-to- ground and marine telecommunication systems; telephone answering service operations; and a

digital microwave system serving southern California.

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BEAVER, PA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael Baker Corp. (AMEX: BKR) announced today that the backlog of work to be performed by the company reached a new record high of $130.2 million for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with a backlog total of $88.1 million at the same date a year ago, and $76.5 million as recently as July 1, 1990.

According to Vice Chairman, President and CEO Richard L. Shaw, the current $130.2 million backlog is comprised of signed contracts for which the necessary funding has already been allocated and released by the clients, and for which notice to proceed has been given.

"Our funded backlog consists of projects that have a green light to go forward and the money to pay the bill," said Shaw. "Beyond this, however, there is still a larger backlog represented by other projects for which Baker has already been selected, but for which contract negotiations are yet to be completed."

Baker reported that total backlog -- including as-yet unfunded projects and the company's portion of joint venture project backlog -- climbed to $217.3 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $165.3 million at the end of the same period one year ago.

According to Shaw, approximately $32 million of the current funded backlog is associated with the recently announced acquisition of the MO Companies of Houston. The MO backlog itself is a new record for these acquired entities, aided substantially by the addition of approximately $13.6 million of new contracts to provide offshore oil and gas production platform services for PSI Inc.

Among the major new contracts comprising the increase in the Baker funded backlog are: the renewal of the base year contract to provide technical evaluation services to FEMA for the National Flood Insurance Program; the renewal and expansion of the base year contract with the Department of Defense Dependent Schools for asbestos abatement in overseas school facilities; a contract for final design services associated with the new $600 million Greater Pittsburgh International Airport terminal; a contract to provide construction management services for the rehabilitation of a Philadelphia regional high-speed transit line; and various renewals of contracts held by Intelcom Support Services Inc., a Baker subsidiary, for operation and

maintenance services at several locations.

The company anticipates that third quarter earnings, which are expected to be released within the week, will show increased revenues and net income in comparison with the corresponding 1989 period, although earnings per share will be relatively flat as a result of a larger number of outstanding shares.

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DES MOINES, IOWA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonald's, the world's largest fast food retailer, has decided to help America's pork producers celebrate National Pork Month for the second year in a row by making the McRib (TM) sandwich available nationally as a limited time promotion beginning the week of Oct. 22.

Last fall's six week promotion resulted in the sale of over 80 million McRib sandwiches. It was estimated that $1.60 per cwt of the market price of hogs during the six weeks of the promotion was attributable to McRib sales. That meant a $46 million return to producers in prices they were paid during the promotion period.

This year's promotion entitled, "McRib Is Back," will again be supported by McDonald's with extensive national advertising. "This is another instance where aggressive use of checkoff dollars in development and marketing is paying off for pork producers," said Mike Wehler, president of the National Pork Producers Council (NPPC).

The initial technology that resulted in development of the McRib sandwich was made possible by producer checkoff funds. The foodservice department of NPPC works closely with McDonald's on development and marketing of pork-based menu items at its some 10,000 restaurants in this country and overseas.

McDonald's serves over 20 million people every day in its restaurants around the world.

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ROANOKE, VA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Dominion Bankshares Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: DMBK) announced today that during the third quarter of 1990, the reserve for loan losses was increased to $179 million. This increase places Dominion's reserve to nonperforming loans at 75 percent at quarter end and follows a more conservative evaluation of the Company's total loan portfolios.

The review reflects management's determination to maintain a prudent, conservative loan loss reserve in light of ongoing economic uncertainties.

As a result of the higher reserve, Dominion reported a $14.7 million net loss, or 40 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990 compared to net income of $23.6 million, or 62 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, Dominion recorded a net loss of $8.3 million or 25 cents per share compared to net income of $70.2 million or $1.83 per share for the same period in 1989.

ASSETS INCREASE Dominion's balance sheet reflected moderate growth during the past 12 months. At September 30, 1990, the Corporation's total assets were $10.4 billion, up 10.6 percent, consolidated deposits of $7.8 billion were 5.7 percent higher and loans, net of unearned income, totaled $7.0 billion, an increase of 3.4 percent over September 30, 1989. Shareholders' equity was $590.7 million on September 30, 1990 producing a primary capital ratio of 8.0 percent, a risk-based capital ratio in excess of 9.0 percent and a consolidated leverage ratio of 5.4 percent. These ratios are well above regulatory requirements and reflect the Corporation's strong capital position. Per share book value was $15.20 at September 30, 1990. An expanded table of key financial data follows.

At the close of the third quarter of 1990, nonperforming assets were $294 million, up $74 million from the end of the second quarter. On September 30, 1990 nonperforming assets consisted of $235 million of nonaccruing loans, $54 million of foreclosed properties and $5 million of renegotiated loans. Loans included in the 90-day past due category were $52 million at September 30, 1990 compared to the $33 million reported at mid-year. Net charge-offs for the first nine months of 1990 were $57.3 million or 1.09 percent of average loans.

RESERVES INCREASED Warner N. Dalhouse, Dominion's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, said, "The increases in our nonperforming assets and the additional reserves we have provided largely reflect our continued conservative evaluations of real estate and commercial loans based on regulatory guidelines. The slower economy and weaker real estate markets in our trade area justify such policies. We believe these prudent actions now serve the purpose of enhancing the fundamental strengths of the Company. Based on our current projections and barring further deterioration in economic conditions, we expect the growth in problem loans to peak in the near future."

DIVIDEND DECLARED The Board of Directors declared a fourth quarter cash dividend of 22 cents per share of common stock at its meeting today. The dividend is payable December 10, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on November 9, 1990.

STRATEGIC PLAN OUTLINED Dalhouse also stated that "last November the Corporation initiated the most thorough and comprehensive evaluation of our

strategies and our ways of doing business ever conducted in the Company's history. We wanted to be sure those things that made us so successful in the last decade would still work as well in the 1990s. Obviously, the need for such a study has been reinforced by the rapid changes that have taken place in our industry this year. Now the fundamental elements of our new strategic initiatives are in place." The Corporation's new strategic plan calls for sweeping changes on four primary fronts: 1) combination of the five Virginia banking affiliates into one bank, 2) reorganization of the entire Company around four primary lines of business, 3) an expanded emphasis on centralization, standardization and efficient delivery of services and, in the accomplishment of these initiatives, 4) a new management-driven focus on substantially improving productivity, efficiency and cost containment.

Dominion Bankshares Corporation is a $10.4 billion, multi-state bank holding company with 335 offices located throughout Virginia and in Tennessee, Maryland and Washington, D.C.

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DALLAS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Old Spaghetti Warehouse, Inc. (AMEX: OSW), which is traded on the American Stock Exchange, today announced record results for the first quarter. Revenues for the 13- week period ended September 29, 1990 were $10.3 million, a 23.5 percent increase over revenues of $8.3 million for the 13-week period ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for the quarter was up 38.9 percent from $569,448 last year to $791,218 this year. Both primary and fully- diluted earnings per share increased to $0.24 this year compared to $0.23 last year. This was achieved in spite of primary and fully diluted shares outstanding increasing by 35.0 percent and 34.6 percent respectively.

The company's newest restaurant opened Sunday, Oct. 14, 1990 in Little Rock, Ark. The 450-seat restaurant occupies the much publicized Choctaw Station, a 90-year Old Rock Island train station now on the National Register of Historic Places.

The 18 year old company operates a chain of 16 restaurants in Texas, Ohio, Florida, Tennessee, Georgia, New York, Pennsylvania, Oklahoma and Arkansas. Construction is now underway on a new unit in downtown Charlotte, N.C., for scheduled opening in January 1991. New units are currently being planned for Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Providence, R.I.; and Tulsa, Okla. The restaurants, which operate under the name "The Spaghetti Warehouse," feature a menu of inexpensive Italian food served in a family oriented, nostalgic and casual atmosphere.

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Warehouse, 214-226-6000

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CHICAGO (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Helene Curtis Industries, Inc. (NYSE: HC) announced today that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per share on the company's common stock and 5 cents per share on the Class B common stock, both payable Nov. 27, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 12, 1990.

Helene Curtis Industries, Inc. is one of the nation's major producers of brand-name personal care products. The company markets its products to consumers through drug stores, supermarkets and mass merchandisers and to beauty salons through distributors across the U.S. Helene Curtis products are sold in 100 countries.

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DALLAS, (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Oryx Energy Co. (NYSE: ORX) today announced that it expects to replace 300 percent of its production in 1990 at an average finding cost of $4.35 per barrel, making this the sixth consecutive year the Dallas-based independent will have improved both production replacement rate and finding cost per barrel.

"Including the impact of our overseas acquisition in January, we expect to replace three times our total prouction this year," said Robert P. Hauptfuhrer chairman and chief executive officer. "Excluding the international properties, production replacement is expected to be about 100 percent. That's excellent performance from our drilling operations."

Oryx Energy estimates that the associated finding, development and acquisition (FD&A) cost to add these reserves will be about $4.35 per barrel. Excluding the purchased reserves and investment associated with the international acquisition, the FD&A cost will be slightly higher, or about $4.60 per barrel.

"Our strategies are paying off," said James E. McCormick, president and chief operating officer. "We have had excellent results from the overseas properties that we acquired this year. And domestically, with programs such as our horizontal drilling operations in the Austin Chalk, we are adding substantial reserves with the drill bit at very competitive costs."

McCormick updated the company's performance in the Austin Chalk, noting that through Sept. 30 there had been 55 wells completed and proved reserve

additions of 68 million equivalent barrels. Oryx Energy expects to complete 75 wells by the end of this year. McCormick estimated that gross production from the Pearsall Field would rise to more than 38,000 barrels of oil per day with the completion of 150 wells.

Oryx Energy has updated its financial forecasts for the fourth quarter of 1990 and for 1991. Using a $30 per barrel West Texas Intermediate (WTI) spot price the company would expect its fourth- quarter operating cash flow to be about $291 million. After adding expected net after-tax divestment proceeds of $200 million, and subtracting $166 million for capital investment and dividends, Oryx Energy estimates fourth-quarter debt repayment of approximately $325 million. This would bring the total debt down to slightly below $2.9 billion at year-end.

Edward W. Moneypenny, vice president of finance and chief financial officer, said, "We have been very successful in accelerating our divestment program. We have signed agreements that represent $160 million of net proceeds since our buy-back announcement in September; and we are currently negotiating other sales that should add another $40 million of net proceeds by the end of 1990. Altogether, by September 1991, we plan to raise $750 million for debt repayments through the sale of assets."

Moneypenny presented financial forecasts for 1991 based on two WTI spot price scenarios. In its $23 per barrel WTI scenario, Oryx Energy estimates an operating cash flow at $784 million and a 1991 year-end debt level of about $2.1 billion. In its $27 WTI scenario, estimated operating cash flow rose to $914 million and the year-end debt level decreased to approximately $2.0 billion.

While fundamentally bullish on oil prices, Oryx Energy has begun hedging activities to protect against a downturn in crude oil prices. In October, the company hedged 12 million barrels of its production for the first six months of 1991, using option puts with a net realized price of $23 per barrel. Unlike a futures contract, the put option allows the company to participate in price increases while establishing a "floor" in the event of price decreases.

Dallas-based Oryx Energy Co. is the world's largest independent oil and gas company, with assets in excess of $5 billion and proved reserves of more than one billion equivalent barrels. Oryx Energy conducts its domestic operations through Sun Energy Partners, L.P., of which it is the managing general partner and 98 percent owner. Oryx Energy trades on the New York Stock Exchange with the symbol ORX and the partnership with the symbol SLP.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - American Capital Management & Research, Inc. (NYSE: ACA) today reported net income of $5.8 million, or $0.24 per share, for the third quarter of 1990, up from $4.5 million, or $0.18 per share, for the same period a year ago. Third quarter 1990 revenues totaled $24.8 million, down from $25.3 million during the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $15.9 million, or $0.65 per share, compared to $14.6 million, or $0.60 per share for the 1989 period. Revenues for the first nine months were $73.7 million, compared with $76.5 million a year ago.

Assets under management as of Sept. 30, 1990 were $11.8 billion, down from $13.7 billion a year earlier. Excluded from the comparison are assets of affiliated insurance companies, which totaled $1.3 billion at the end of the third quarter of 1989. As reported previously, these assets are no longer being managed by the company as of Jan. 1, 1990.

Sales of fund shares, at net asset value, were $302.5 million in the third quarter, down from $307.8 million a year earlier. Such amounts include sales of the family of funds under the Common Sense Trust of $156.0 million and $138.8 million for the respective periods.

Higher earnings in the third quarter of 1990 were the result of expense control measures and higher equity in earnings of the Common Sense Trust joint venture with The A.L. Williams Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Primerica Corporation (NYSE: PA). These higher earnings were partially offset by lower management fees due to a decline in assets under management despite management fee increases on selected funds effective mid-year.

Stockholders of American Capital are currently being asked to vote upon a proposal to approve a merger agreement whereby Primerica Corporation, which owns approximately 83 percent of the outstanding common shares of American Capital, would acquire the publicly held shares of American Capital it does not presently own. A special meeting of stockholders will be held on Oct. 29, 1990 in Houston to vote on approval of the merger.

American Capital is a Houston-based investment management and marketing organization which provides investment advisory services to 34 mutual funds and closed-end investment companies.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Today at its regular meeting the board

of directors of INB Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: INBF) declared a quarterly cash dividend of 30 cents per share payable Dec. 21, 1990 to shareholders of record Dec. 7, 1990.

The corporation also announced today that its board of directors adopted a shareholder Rights Plan (the Plan) designed to enhance the ability of all the corporation's shareholders to realize the long-term value of their investment in the corporation and to permit the board of directors to play a role in the event of an unsolicited acquisition proposal. The Plan was adopted in response to the general development of takeover activity in the financial services industry and was not adopted because of any specific takeover proposal.

Thomas M. Miller, chairman of the board of the corporation, stated, "The adoption of the Plan is intended to assist the board of directors in continuing to play a role in shaping the corporation's future. The Plan should encourage those who might seek control of the corporation to deal with the board of directors prior to attempting a takeover, although it is not intended to prevent an acquisiton of the corporation on terms that are favorable and fair to the corporation, all of its shareholders and the other constituencies served by the corporation."

Pursuant to the Plan, the board of directors declared a dividend to shareholders of record on Oct. 31, 1990 of one Right for each of their shares. Initially the Rights, which will expire in ten years, will not be exercisable and will not be transferable apart from the common stock. The Rights will become exercisable only if a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of the corporation's common stock or the corporation's board of directors determines, pursuant to the terms of the Plan, that any person or group which has acquired 10 percent or more of the corporation's common stock is an "Adverse Person." Each Right would then enable the holder (other than the person triggering exercisability of the Rights) to purchase, at the Right's then-current exercise price, shares of the corporation's common stock having a value of twice the Right's exercise price. In addition, if after any person or group has become a 20 percent or more shareholder, the corporation is involved in a merger or other business combination transaction with another person in which its common stock is changed or converted, or sells 50 percent or more of its assets or earning power to another person, each Right will entitle its holder to purchase, at the Right's then-current exercise price, shares of common stock of such other person having a value of twice the Right's exercise price. The board of directors will be entitled to redeem the Rights at one cent per Right under certain circumstances specified in the Plan.

Further details of the Plan will be provided in a letter that will be mailed to all shareholders in the near future.

INB Financial Corporation is a multi-bank holding company based in Indianapolis. The corporation's bank affiliates provide a full range of

banking and trust services to individuals, businesses, other institutions and government agencies located primarily in Indiana and the central Midwest. Through its bank-related affiliates, the corporation also provides a diverse portfolio of financial services, including mortgage banking, insurance and brokerage services.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First Union Corporation today declared quarterly cash dividends for both its common stock (NYSE: FTU) and its series 1990 cumulative adjustable rate perpetual preferred stock (NYSE: FTUpr).

The common stock dividend of 27 cents per share is payable December 14 to stockholders of record as of November 30.

The dividend rate for the preferred stock for the quarter ending December 31, 1990, is 9.95 percent per annum, applied against $50 ($1.2438 per share), and is payable December 31 to shareholders of record as of December 14.

The preferred stock was issued in connection with the January 29, 1990 acquisition of Florida National Banks of Florida, Inc. by First Union.

As of September 30, 1990, First Union Corporation had assets of $39.1 billion and operated 763 banking offices in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida, one in Tennessee and 277 nonbanking offices in 36 states.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Merchants National Corporation (NASDAQ: MCHN) today announced earnings for the quarter and nine month period ending Sept. 30, 1990.

The corporation recorded a net loss of $9.1 million, or $.63 per share, compared to net income of $12.7 million, or $.87 per share in last year's third quarter. Earnings for the nine months through Sept. 30, 1990 were $5.1 million, or $.34 per share, compared to $38.0 million, or $2.59 per share recorded last year. On Sept. 18, 1990, the board of directors declared a $.30 fourth quarter dividend, payable Dec. 21, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov.

30, 1990.

"We look for earnings to be restored in the fourth quarter," stated Otto N. Frenzel III, chairman and chief executive officer. "The early announcement of the fourth quarter dividend reflects our confidence in Merchants underlying operating earnings and strong balance sheet."

As previously reported, third quarter 1990 results include a $35 million provision for losses due to continued deterioration in midwestern real estate markets. The allowance for credit losses totalled $78.5 million, or 2.16 percent of loans on Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $58.5 million, or 1.63 percent of loans on June 30, 1990 and $59.6 million or 1.81 percent of loans at Sept. 30, 1989.

Nonperforming assets totaled $119.3 million on Sept. 30, 1990 versus $95.8 million on June 30, 1990 and $54.4 million on Sept. 30, 1989. Nonperforming assets as a percentage of loans and other real estate owned were 3.29 percent on Sept. 30, 1990 and 2.68 percent on June 30, 1990. At Sept. 30, 1990, nonperforming real estate assets totaled $100.0 million. Reserves as a percentage of nonperforming loans were 109.1 percent on Sept. 30, 1990 and 81.7 percent on June 30, 1990. Accruing loans past due 90 days or more totalled $23.4 million on Sept. 30, 1990, which included $6.5 million of U.S. government guaranteed student loans. On June 30, 1990, accruing loans past due 90 days or more totaled $19.7 million, of which $5.7 million were U.S. government guaranteed student loans.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $5.5 billion, compared to $5.3 billion at the same time last year, an increase of 5.6 percent. Net loans at Sept. 30 were $3.5 billion, up 9.5 percent from $3.2 billion a year ago. Deposits at quarter end were $4.1 billion, up 9.4 percent from $3.7 billion at the same time last year.

Merchants National Corporation, an Indiana multibank holding company headquartered in Indianapolis, is the second largest publicly held bank holding company based in the state. A network of 17 subsidiary banks with 138 banking locations serves the banking and financial needs of customers in Indiana and contiguous states. The corporation, through its subsidiaries, offers a broad range of commercial, retail and mortgage banking services, as well as trust and investment services. Additionally, under a contract with the U.S. Department of Defense, the corporation's lead bank, Merchants National Bank & Trust Company of Indianapolis, provides retail banking services to military personnel through 181 military banking facilities in Germany, the Netherlands, Greece, the United Kingdom, Iceland, Philippines, Diego Garcia and the Republic of Korea.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Transamerica Income Shares Inc. Tuesday reported unaudited net income of $2,818,091 or 54 cents per share for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Earnings for the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $5,645,379, or $1.07 per share.

The company also declared an 18 cents-per-share monthly income dividend payable on Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 31, 1990. The company's current annual dividend rate is $2.16 -- paid in monthly dividends of 18 cents per share. The company invests primarily in fixed income debt securities.

Transamerica Income Shares
Financial Highlights

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1989
Total net income	$2,818,091	$2,886,878
Per-share earnings	54 cents	55 cents

	Six Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Six Months Ended Sept. 30, 1989
Total net income	$5,645,379	$5,773,524
Per-share earnings	1.07	1.10

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Total net assets -- Sept. 30, 1990	$116,048,045
Total net assets -- Sept. 30, 1989	$121,026,916
Net asset value per share -- Sept. 30, 1990	$22.04
Net asset value per share -- Sept. 30, 1989	$22.98
Shares outstanding -- Sept. 30, 1990 (and all prior periods)	5,265,643

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MIAMI (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines today said it will offer new fall weekend fares, ranging from $79 to $129 each way, for domestic travel from 13 Florida cities beginning Oct. 17.

The airline said its fares from Florida to all destinations east of the Mississippi, plus Texas, Kansas City and St. Louis will be $79 each way, based

on a round trip, and travel to points west of the Mississippi will be $129 each way. Tickets can be purchased at any time through Oct. 31 and travel must be completed by Dec. 18.

"Although fares throughout the industry are generally increasing, Eastern has been successful recently in generating more leisure travel by offering fares at great prices," said George Brennan, senior vice president-marketing.

The fall fares are available for travel from Miami, Fort Lauderdale, Daytona Beach, Fort Myers, Gainesville, Jacksonville, Melbourne, Orlando, Pensacola, Sarasota, Tallahassee, West Palm Beach, and Tampa. Travel from Florida must originate Wednesday through Saturday; return flights to Florida must be taken the following Sunday through Wednesday.

Eastern said its tickets are fully refundable, with no penalty for cancellations or change. The airline said the special fares are not available during the peak holiday travel days, Nov. 20, 21, 25, 26, 27.

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NEWPORT NEWS, VA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Flight International Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: FLTI) announced today the Federal Aeronautics Administration (FAA) had certified the company's operation in Newport News, Va. as a Class I-IV instrument repair facility (FAA repair station BHKR451C).

The new Class I-IV instrument repair certification, which allows Flight International to perform repairs on all mechanical, electrical, gyroscopic and electronic aviation instruments, makes the Flight International facility one of the few such facilities on the East Coast and the only such facility servicing the Richmond FAA district.

Arthur Mann, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Flight International said, "The FAA certification reflects the first- rate technical skills of our staff and the state-of-the-art capabilities of our avionics labs...We are proud of winning this certification, and look forward to new opportunities to serve the aviation industry."

The Flight International Group, Inc. is a leader in aviation services with interests in government and military contracts as well as commercial flight operations.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - American Business Products Inc. (NYSE: ABP) today reported earnings were up for the third quarter and the first nine months of the year.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, sales increased to $95.0 million with net income of $3.2 million or $.44 per share of common stock compared with sales of $94.5 million and net income of $3.0 million or $.43 per share for the third quarter last year.

Sales for the nine months were flat at $290.2 million with net income of $10 million or $1.40 per share of common stock compared with sales of $290.5 million and net income of $9.5 million or $1.33 per share last year.

"These results reflect the concerted efforts of our people to achieve growth in the face of a continuing sluggish economic environment and softened industry-wide market conditions," said Thomas R. Carmody, president and chief executive officer. "We are continuing our program of cost reductions and expanded marketing in this difficult period."

During the third quarter ABP absorbed some costs associated with the acquisition of Jen-Coat Inc., a specialty extrusion coater based in Westfield, Mass. The transaction which will be accounted for as a purchase, was closed on Oct. 1. Jen-Coat's operations will be included in ABP's consolidated financial statement beginning with the fourth quarter.

Jen-Coat, with sales of $49 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, provides extrusion coating and laminating of papers, films and nonwoven fabrics for industrial flexible packaging used for such products as sugar, salt and pepper, sugar substitute packets, medical/pharmaceutical products and release liner papers for pressure sensitive products.

ABP in 1989 had its 51st consecutive year of record sales at $387 million. The company is a leading supplier of forms for computers and other electronic equipment; envelopes and specialty mailers; book printing, and other business supplies with 46 production facilities in the continental United States and Hawaii.

ABP's major operating companies, in addition to Jen-Coat, which is an independent unit, are Curtis 1000 Inc., Vanier Graphics Corp., BookCrafters USA Inc. and American Fibre-Velope Mfg. Co. A joint venture company, Curtis 1000 Europe GmbH, is based in Neuwied, Germany.

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BRENTWOOD, NY (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Allou Health & Beauty Care, Inc. (AMEX: ALU), premier distributor of health and beauty aids on the Atlantic Seaboard, "expects to report sharply higher revenues for the second quarter and first half ended Sept. 30, 1990, in part reflecting the bulk of Christmas ordering, some of which would normally have occurred next quarter," David Shamilzadeh, chief financial officer, told a meeting of security analysts today. "We anticipate revenues for the second quarter will exceed $23 million compared to $17 million last year, and for the first half will be in excess of $43 million against $35 million in the first half last year. This is a result of increasing our customer base, vertical growth and rapidly expanding our nationwide sales of fragrances through our catalogs. The anticipated revenues for the second quarter and first half exceed our internal forecasts," Shamilzadeh said.

"Historically, our business has been recession-resistant, and these results reconfirm this, since we are operating at record levels despite declines in traditional retailing in Metropolitan New York City and the Northeast corridor where we are the dominant health and beauty distributor. In times such as these consumers of health and beauty aids seek better buys in nationally branded products, which is our precise market niche," Shamilzadeh added.

The company recently announced that it is expanding into distribution of non-perishable food items. "This is a large marketplace that permits us to use our existing base of 3,500 customers," Shamilzadeh stated.

The company's sales for the first quarter increased 11 percent to $19,988,855 from $17,947,256 in the same period last year. Earnings were $268,738, or $.10 per share on 2,580,000 shares outstanding, an increase of 14 percent over the $235,437, or $.09 per share earned on 2,580,000 shares restated for the effect of the public offering for the same quarter a year earlier.

The company has virtually no long term debt and its credit line was recently expanded to $25 million from $18 million, Shamilzadeh noted. "Our excellent balance sheet, expanded credit lines and record earnings allow us to finance this continuing growth," he said.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pacific Stock Exchange has announced the listing and admission to trading of the American Depositary Shares of Willis Corroon PLC (symbol: WCB). Trading commenced Tuesday, Oct. 9 1990. Morgan Guaranty Trust Co. of New York will act as U.S. depositary.

Willis Corroon is one of the largest insurance brokerage organizations in the world, providing direct and reinsurance broking services on a global basis, as well as a range of consulting, underwriting, and other services.

The Exchange has appointed Shearson Lehman Hutton and Easton & Co. as specialists in Los Angeles and San Francisco respectively.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - In a restructuring that has been spawned by the impending retirement of Twentieth Century Fox's Domestic Distribution Vice President, Southern Division Manager, Dick King, the appointment of Bert Livingston to King's post when it is vacated at the end of the year was announced today by Bruce Snyder, president, domestic distribution.

Livingston, who is currently vice president, Mid-Western Division manager, operating out of Fox's regional Chicago office, will be relocating to Dallas for the new position.

Livingston first joined Fox in 1982 and worked his way up the ranks at Fox, having held positions as the Detroit branch manager, the Jacksonville branch manager and the Dallas branch manager. Prior to working at Fox, Livingston worked for five years at Columbia Pictures, where he last held the position of Seattle branch manager.

With the appointment of Livingston, the Southern Division will be restructured to include the Kansas City/St. Louis branch in addition to the existing branches of Dallas, Oklahoma City, New Orleans/Memphis, Atlanta, Charlotte and Jacksonville. The Kansas City/St. Louis responsibilities will be transferred to the Southern Division from the Mid-Western Division.

Rejoining Fox as branch manager for the Kansas City/St. Louis branch will be distribution veteran Jerry Smith, reporting directly to Livingston.

Twentieth Century Fox is primarily engaged in the financing, development, production, distribution and marketing of motion pictures throughout the world and is a unit of Fox Inc.

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ROCHESTER, NY (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - When a team of Xerox Corp. (NYSE: XRX) employees sought new ways to minimize solid wastes at the Plant Engineering and Maintenance unit of the Joseph C. Wilson Center for Technology in Webster, N.Y., they literally moved mountains. More specifically, mountains of trash.

The Xerox Central Waste Minimization team launched a movement which spread companywide and resulted in 6,500 tons of materials that, in 1989, were recycled instead of sent to a landfill.

The accomplishment is among the more than 200 team victories highlighted in Teamwork '90, an annual event held today simultaneously in Rochester, Dallas, and Los Angeles, and shared, via a closed-circuit television broadcast, with Xerox employees in more than 60 locations scattered across the country.

According to Richard Blum, central waste minimization team leader, the primary group goal is to set up recycling programs in all Xerox facilities throughout Monroe County, N.Y.

"We set up a team network to communicate our message," Blum said. "Core groups are set up in each facility, and these core groups relay the plan to every employee."

The results of team communication and cooperation are a proven success. "We have found a home for several high-quality waste streams," Blum said. "We burn them in a solid waste-to-energy power plant in place of fossil fuel."

Other programs that have materialized from team efforts include sorting, bailing and recycling of corrugated containers, and an office paper recycling program.

"Our program requires every Xerox employee to become a member of the team," said Blum. "And without the Xerox total commitment to teamwork, the programs would never fly."

This year, the Teamwork '90 closed-circuit television broadcast originates for the first time from three cities - Rochester, Dallas, and Los Angeles - and is viewed by Xerox people in more than 60 other locations. The day includes formal group sessions, as well as seminars and trade show-style booth displays.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines today announced that it will begin service to a fifth continent, South America, as part of an expansion to three new Latin American destinations. The expansion stems from

Continental's Houston hub, which is an ideally situated gateway to the Latin America region.

On Dec. 19, Continental will inaugurate flights to Guayaquil, Ecuador, four times each week. The Boeing 727 flight will stop at Panama City, an existing Continental destination, in each direction. Ecuador service is subject to routine government approval.

On the same date, service will begin to Merida, Mexico, capital of the state of Yucatan. Operating daily, this route will give Continental its eighth Mexican destination. The Merida route will operated in conjunction with existing service to Belize City, Belize.

Also on Dec. 18, Continental will inaugurate daily service to Tegucigalpa, Honduras, following completion of runway improvements at the capital city's Toncontin Airport. This flight will stop at the existing destination of San Pedro Sula, Honduras, as it returns to Houston. Continental provides frequent service throughout North America and to Europe, Asia and Australia.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Programming and Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: PSYS) reported revenues and net income for the three and six month periods ending Aug. 31, 1990. Revenues for the three months ending Aug. 31, 1990 were $1,892,728 or 27.5 percent over the preceding year. Net income for the three months was $401,533 an 8.5 percent decrease.

Revenues for the six months ending Aug. 31, 1990 were $13,682,602, net income was $1,612,192 or .89 per share compared to revenues of $13,787,810 or .95 per share for the same period a year ago.

PROGRAMMING AND SYSTEMS, INC.

Period ended	Three months		Six months	
Aug. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$6,881,343	$4,988,615	$13,682,602	$13,787,810
Income before taxes	664,533	725,592	2,668,192	2,854,915
Prov. for taxes	263,000	290,000	1,056,000	1,142,000
Net income	401,533	435,592	1,612,192	1,712,915
Net income per share	.22	.24	.89	.95

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DETROIT (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Manufacturers National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MNTL) announced third-quarter 1990 net income of $29.1 million, up 6.5 percent from the third-quarter 1989 results of $27.4 million. On a per-share basis, net income for the quarter was $1.91, or 6.1 percent higher than the $1.80 reported in the same period last year.

Third-quarter earnings were the highest of any quarter in the corporation's history, according to Chairman Gerald V. MacDonald. "This was achieved in spite of slowing economic conditions which weakened loan demand and slowed growth in certain non-interest categories," he said. "Also in the quarter, the federal banking regulators completed their annual examination of the corporation and its banks with no significant impact to the financial statements."

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $78.2 million, 1.0 percent below nine-month 1989 net income of $79.0 million. On a per-share basis, net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $5.15 compared to $5.20 in the first nine months of 1989, a 1.0-percent decline. Nine-month 1990 results remained behind the prior year due to lower first-quarter net income which included a $6.0 million provision for consolidation costs of the corporation's Illinois operations.

Net Interest Income Net interest income improved 11.2 percent in the third quarter of 1990, compared to the similar period in 1989. Excluding acquisitions affecting comparability, net interest income improved 7.5 percent due to a slight improvement in interest margins and moderate earning asset growth, principally from purchases of investment securities.

Non-interest Income Non-interest income increased 14.2 percent in the third quarter of 1990, compared to the comparable period in 1989. Excluding acquired companies that affect comparability, non-interest income would have increased 11.6 percent.

Third-quarter 1990 income from fiduciary activities and service charge income were up 11.0 percent and 8.2 percent, respectively, from the third quarter of 1989. Customhouse broker fees were up 18.5 percent from the third quarter of 1989; however, excluding acquired companies affecting comparability, the increase would have been 8.6 percent. Other non-interest income in 1990 increased 20.0 percent. The third quarter of 1990 benefited from a $2.4 million gain on the exchange of LDC debt; however, the third quarter of 1989 benefited from $1.3 million of interest received with a federal tax refund from 1981.

Non-interest Expenses Non-interest expenses increased 13.5 percent in the third quarter of 1990, compared to the third quarter of 1989. Excluding expenses of acquired companies affecting comparability, non-interest expenses would have increased 8.8 percent. Included in other non-interest expenses in the third quarter of 1990 was $2.2 million of interest in connection with

settling a federal tax examination relating to 1985 and 1986.

The provision for loan losses was $9.5 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared to $8.7 million in the third quarter of 1989.

The allowance for loan losses was $134.8 million, or 1.91 percent of total loans, at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $120.0 million at Sept. 30, 1989, and $132.9 million at June 30, 1990. Net charge-offs for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $8.7 million, compared to $4.2 million in the comparable 1989 period.

Nonaccrual loans were $68.6 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $62.8 million at Sept. 30, 1989, and $68.6 million at June 30, 1990. Reduced-rate loans, including $8.1 million of reduced-interest rate Mexican bonds received in exchange for Mexican loans, were $9.9 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $118,000 at Sept. 30, 1989, and $11.2 million at June 30, 1990. Other real estate was $23.7 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $23.7 million at Sept. 30, 1989, and $26.6 million at June 30, 1990. Non-performing assets were 1.45 percent of total loans at Sept. 30, 1990.

Manufacturers National Corporation is a bank holding company headquartered in Detroit. It operates four subsidiary banks in Michigan, including its principal bank subsidiary, Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit, and seven banks in the metropolitan Chicago area through Affiliated Banc Group, Inc. The corporation also operates other financial subsidiaries in Delaware, Florida and Illinois.

An earnings summary follows.

MANUFACTURERS NATIONAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
EARNINGS SUMMARY

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Pct.
	1990	1989	Change
In thousands, except per-share data			
Net income	$29,137	$27,368	6.5
Net income per share of common stock:			
Primary	$1.91	$1.80	6.1
Fully diluted	$1.90	$1.78	6.7
Dividends per share	$.58	$.54	7.4
Average primary shares	15,257	15,228	
Return on equity	16.68 pct.	17.54 pct.	
Return on assets	1.06	1.10	

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30		Pct.
	1990	1989	Change
In thousands, except per-share data			

Net income	$78,233	$79,040	(1.0)
Net income per share of common stock:			
Primary	$5.15	$5.20	(1.0)
Fully diluted	$5.10	$5.15	(1.0)
Dividends per share	$1.66	$1.42	16.9
Average primary shares	15,194	15,193	
Return on equity	15.38 pct.	17.43 pct.	
Return on assets	.98	1.06	

BALANCE SHEET COMPARISONS

	Sept. 30		Pct.
	1990	1989	Change
In millions, except per-share data			
Total assets	$11,536	$ 9,882	16.7
Total deposits	8,497	7,991	6.3
Total loans	7,063	6,180	14.2
Total investment securities	2,294	1,613	42.2
Shareholders' equity	714	633	12.8
Book value per share	$46.52	$41.90	11.0
Primary capital ratio	7.27 pct.	7.66 pct.	

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MONROEVILLE, PA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Parkvale Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: PVSA) reported net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $844,000 or 49 cents a share, up 19.9 percent compared to net income of $704,000 or 41 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The increase in net income was derived from operations and was due to an increased net interest margin. Net interest income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased to $4.3 million from $2.9 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Parkvale Financial Corp., a unitary savings and loan holding company, is the parent company of Parkvale Savings Bank. The bank, which operates 23 offices in the Greater Pittsburgh area, had assets of $732 million at Sept. 30, 1990. Parkvale's capital was $34.7 million or $20.89 per share at Sept. 30, 1990, up from $32.7 million or $19.18 per share at Sept. 30, 1989.

PARKVALE FINANCIAL CORP.
Financial Data
(Unaudited; amounts in thousands, except share data)

Period ended	Three Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989
Total interest income	$17,675	$13,711
Total interest expense	13,394	10,819
Net interest income	4,281	2,892
Provision for loan losses	468	209
Net interest income after provision for losses	3,813	2,683
Gain on sale of assets	0	228
Other income	407	312
Total other expenses	2,746	2,104
Income before income taxes	1,474	1,119
Income tax expense	630	415
Net income	844	704
Net income per share	$0.49	$0.41
Dividends per share	$0.10	$0.10
Book value per share	$20.89	$19.18
Shares outstanding	1,661,000	1,706,000

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Health Services Inc. (NASDAQ: UHSIB) announced today that net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1.4 million, an increase of $831,000 over the prior year's third quarter.

Earnings per share were $.12 in the third quarter of 1990 compared to $.05 in the third quarter of the prior year. Gross revenues for the quarter increased by 10 percent to $246.5 million and net revenues increased by 7 percent to $150 million.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $10.5 million, an increase of 31 percent over the prior year's first nine months. Earnings per share were $.76 in the first nine months of 1990 compared to $.55 in the first nine months of 1989. Gross revenues advanced 9 percent to $762.5 million and net revenues advanced 6 percent in the first nine months of 1990 to $468.2 million.

The strong improvements in earnings for the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990, as compared to the prior year periods result from the growth in revenues, effective expense control and decreased interest charges.

The company repurchased 577,000 shares of its Class B common stock during the first nine months of 1990.

Universal Health Services Inc. is a hospital management company which owns and operates 21 acute care and 13 psychiatric hospitals. It acts as the advisor to Universal Health Realty Income Trust a REIT (NYSE: UHT).

UNIVERSAL HEALTH SERVICES INC.
Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited; in thousands except per-share amounts)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Gross revenues	$246,536	$223,415	$762,536	$701,830
Less provisions for contractual allowances and doubtful accounts	96,454	83,167	294,386	261,088
Net revenues	150,082	140,248	468,150	440,742
Operating charges:				
Operating expenses	132,603	124,683	396,014	379,883
Depreciation and amortization	9,718	10,719	38,673	29,917
Interest expense	5,653	6,064	17,068	19,423
Total	147,974	141,466	451,755	429,223
Income before income taxes and equity in unconsolidated subsidiary	2,108	(1,218)	16,395	11,519
Provision for income taxes	807	(1,731)	6,178	3,776
Income before equity in unconsolidated subsidiary	1,301	513	10,217	7,743
Equity in income of unconsolidated subsidiary	128	85	278	251
Net income	1,429	598	10,495	7,994
Earnings per common and common equivalent share	$.12(A)	$.05	$.76(A)	$.55
Average number of common shares and equivalents	14,917(A)	14,572	15,169(A)	14,654

(A) The 1990 earnings per share have been adjusted to reflect the assumed conversion of the company's convertible debentures.

CONTACT: Kirk E. Gorman, senior vp and treasurer of Universal Health Services 215-768-3300

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ROCKFORD, IL. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Sundstrand Corporation (NYSE: SNS) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.275 per common share payable on Dec. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 28, 1990. It will be the 186th consecutive quarter that the company has paid a dividend.

Sundstrand Corporation, with 1989 sales of $1.595.4 million, is a market leader in the design, manufacture, and sale of a variety of proprietary, technology-based components and subsystems for aerospace (67 percent of 1989 sales) and industrial (33 percent of 1989 sales) markets. Sundstrand's common stock is listed on the New York, Midwest and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

CONTACT: Sundstrand corporate communications, 815-226-6245

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Santa Fe Pacific Pipeline Partners L.P. (NYSE: SFL) has declared a cash distribution of 65 cents on each preference and common unit for the third quarter of 1990.

This is the eighth consecutive quarterly distribution paid by the partnership and the second consecutive distribution of 65 cents per unit. The distribution is payable Nov. 14, 1990, to unitholders of record as of Oct. 31, 1990.

Santa Fe Pacific Pipeline Partners is the largest independent refined petroleum products pipeline in the western United States. It serves six states with approximately 3,300 miles of common carrier pipeline and 14 truck loading terminals.

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PHILADELPHIA, (OCT. 16) - Directors of Scott Paper Co. (NYSE: SPP) today declared a quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share on its common shares, payable December 10, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 23.

Directors also declared the regular dividends of 85 cents per share on the $3.40 cumulative senior preferred shares and $1 per share on the $4 cumulative senior preferred shares, both payable Feb. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Jan. 18.

CONTACT: Michael N. Kilpatric of Scott Paper, 215-522-6232, or after 6 p.m., 215-431-9667

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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Luby's

Cafeterias, Inc. (NYSE: LUB) at their regular quarterly meeting declared a cash dividend on the common stock in the amount of 11-1/2 cents per share to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990, payable on Jan. 2, 1991.

The San Antonio based company operates 138 Luby's Cafeterias.

CONTACT: John E. Curtis, Jr., senior vice president and CFO of Luby's Cafeterias, 512-654-9000

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HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - A study by Public Citizen, citing ITT Hartford Insurance Group as one of five property-casualty insurance companies that could be potentially at risk in a severe economic downturn, is "absolutely preposterous," said Donald R. Frahm, The Hartford's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

"The Hartford's management and board of directors are incensed at these preposterous accusations, and outraged that such unqualified individuals would attempt and promote such an examination," said Frahm.

"These charges are not only highly irresponsible, they are based on invalid methodology and aimed only at furthering Public Citizen's own legislative agenda," he said.

"Reputable and experienced rating organizations continue to evaluate The Hartford as one of the finest and most responsible organizations in the industry."

Frahm noted that The Hartford has an A+ rating from A.M. Best, an AAA rating from Standard & Poor's, and an AA2 rating from Moody's.

He also said his company has passed all financial tests administered by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, and that the highly respected Connecticut Department of Insurance just gave The Hartford a superb report following an extensive nine-month financial review.

Additionally, The Hartford has the backing of its $20 billion (revenue) parent ITT Corp (NYSE: ITT).

"Public Citizen's self-serving study is especially questionable given the organization's new-found concern for the financial well-being of our industry " said Frahm. "Until recently, this same group criticized insurance companies for their excessive rates."

As for Public Citizen's tests themselves, Frahm said they are inappropriate and have no proven ability to predict financial vulnerability. For example,

the test regarding premium swings penalizes a company for the sound strategy of decreasing market share when rates are inadequate.

"As recognized by valid measures -- by the quality of its investment portfolio by superior ratings from independent professional agencies and by the support of its parent -- The Hartford, which has been in business 180 years, will remain one of the finest and most financially sound companies in the insurance industry," Frahm said.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - C&S/Sovran Corp. (NYSE: CVN) today reported third quarter net income available to common stock of $30.2 million or $.23 per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net income available to common stock was $210.8 million or $1.59 per share.

The board of directors, at its first meeting following the Sept. 1 merger of The Citizens and Southern Corp. and Sovran Financial Corp., declared a quarterly dividend of $.39 per share, payable Dec. 15 to shareholders of record Nov. 28.

"The dividend confirms our belief in the earnings strength of this company and the opportunities we see before us," said Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Bennett A. Brown.

Third quarter earnings were reduced by approximately $90 million in nonrecurring charges, including: restructuring costs of $69 million; direct merger expenses of $10 million; and a valuation adjustment of $11 million related to a 1989 acquisition, Brown said.

"Substantially all of the restructuring costs result from the integration of the two companies and are tied to achieving benefits in future earnings," Brown said. "The payback from these actions is impressive -- we expect to improve 1991 pretax earnings by approximately $50 million, 1992 pretax earnings by approximately $90 million and substantial continuing benefits after 1992."

The integration costs include the consolidation of line and staff functions, the upgrading of systems and the consolidation of some 50 branch offices. The process will reduce the number of positions by approximately 1,200 across the seven-state region over the next 15 months, but Brown said the number of

employees affected will be substantially lower due to normal job turnover and attrition.

C&S/Sovran had $50.1 billion in assets at Sept. 30. Headquartered in Atlanta and Norfolk, C&S/Sovran has 1,015 banking offices and serves more than 5 million individual and business customers throughout its principal banking region -- Florida, Georgia, Maryland, South Carolina, Tennessee/Kentucky, Virginia and the District of Columbia. CONTACT: In Atlanta, Sherry Hubler, investor relations, 404-581-2601, or Scott Scredon, 404-581-5555; in Norfolk, James A. Kirkpatrick, investor relations, 804-441-4705, or Mary Beth Dale, 804-441-4248, all of C&S/Sovran

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LOWELL, MASS. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Wang Laboratories (AMEX: WAN) announced today that James J. Hogan will join the company as senior vice president, effective Oct. 29, 1990. Hogan will also be president-personal computer systems and will be responsible for Wang's worldwide personal computer systems business, including design, manufacturing, marketing, sales, distribution and service. Hogan will report to Jospeh M. Tucci, executive vice president-operations.

Hogan was formerly vice president-Audio and Communications Division, Americas for Thomson Consumer Electronics--C.V. In that role, he had general management responsibility for RCA and GE audio and communications products.

"With 13 years of experience in the electronics industry, Jim Hogan has an outstanding record of success," stated Tucci. "He possesses a hands-on understanding of how to win in a highly competitive commodity market, and has led the businesses for which he was responsible to record sales, market share, and profitability."

Hogan began his career in 1964 with the General Electric Company in it Financial Management Program. After holding several positions in finance and financial analysis, he moved into marketing in 1975, and, in 1985, was named product general manager audio/video systems operations for General Electric's consumer electronics business. In 1988, he was named vice president-Audio and Communications Division, Americas for Thomson Consumer Electronics, when that company acquired the consumer electronic business from General Electric.

Hogan was graduated from Manhattan College with a bachelor of science degree in mathematics.

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LAKE WORTH, FLA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Cenvill Development Corp. (AMEX: CVL) announced today the appointment of Stuart Reich as president and chief executive officer. Reich will also join Cenvill's board of directors.

The company also announced the resignation of Richard Siemens as president and chief executive officer. Siemens will retain his interests in the Polo Club (including Polo Trace) and Gleneagles Joint Ventures. It is anticipated that Siemens will remain with Cenvill as a special advisor for certain of the company's other key projects.

Craig Dougherty and James Paul shall continue in their capacities as chief operating officer and chief financial officer, respectively.

Reich brings extensive experience in the home building industry to his new position. From 1980 to 1988 he served as president of Gulfstream Homes of South Florida, a major South Florida residential developer and builder. In 1988, Homes of South Florida, Inc., of which Reich is the chief executive officer, acquired Gulfstream's home building division. Reich will concurrently oversee the completion of Homes of South Florida's three remaining subdivisions in Plantation, Fla., with the assumption of his duties for Cenvill.

Martin Taplin, Cenvill's chairman, said that, "Richard Siemens' departure was on an amicable basis. The company looks forward to utilizing Stuart Reich's residential development experience, as well as his experience with major lenders in its contemplated dealings with Cenvill's lenders and its operations."

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - To some it was only a bothersome box, a cranky crate, a cantankerous container. But for a team of Xerox employees, it was a challenge that required an innovative solution.

"If our employees see a production problem, we'll find a way to make it work," says Ron Klawitter, team captain for the National Distribution Parts Planning team from Xerox Corporation's (NYSE: XRX) United States Marketing Group. That philosophy has helped Klawitter's team pull together to solve manufacturing predicaments of all shapes and sizes. The achievements of more than 200 such groups were shared and celebrated at Xerox Teamwork '90. The event, held simultaneously in Rochester, Dallas and Los Angeles, was seen via closed circuit television at more than 60 locations natiownide.

One of the distribution team's jobs is forming cartons to contain large copier parts. The team saw an opportunity to automate the process. Team members, which include maintenance and industrial staff, machine operators and parts distribution staff, modified an existing machine to fold the boxes.

"When we began using the new machine, we noticed an additional problem," explains Klawitter. "The pre-formed lines, or crimps, on the boxes were not designed to fold easily. So we worked with engineering to change the crimps into a fold that was much simpler and more effective."

With the mechanized means of forming boxes linked to the new design, two people were moved from the production line to another area. This increased productivity, and reduced the backlog for this particular parts product to zero.

"Our group is working on several projects right now," says Klawitter. "A real sense of accomplishment comes from knowing that what one group does can help all our customers by helping the whole company."

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BOSTON, (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph L. Petrillo today was appointed president of Stone & Webster Environmental Services. This division of Boston-based Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation focuses corporate resources on the expansion environmental services market. Stone & Webster (NYSE: SW) has over 1,500 technical and engineering experts involved in environmental efforts.

Since joining Stone & Webster in 1968, Petrillo has served in several technical and managerial positions.

He is an expert in environmental issues associated with conventional and advanced energy technologies; refineries, petrochemical, and chemical complexes; pulp and paper mills; and municipal water and wastewater treatment facilities. Petrillo's assignments have also focused on environmental restoration programs at Department of Energy and defense facilities. Internationally, he has provided environmental consulting services to Stone & Webster clients in Canada, Egypt, Italy Mexico, New Zealand, Pakistan, the People's Republic of China, Taiwan and the United Kingdom.

Petrillo is a graduate of Tufts University where he earned his BS and MS degrees in chemical engineering. He is a registered professional engineer in Massachusetts, New York, Wisconsin, Colorado and Texas and has served as an expert witness before state regulatory agencies, public service commissions,

and the federal Environmental Protection Agency.

Petrillo resides with his wife and two children in Duxbury, Mass. Stone & Webster provides a wide range of environmental services to federal, state and municipal agencies; electric and gas utilities; and industrial and manufacturing companies. The company is currently applying its environmental expertise to the clean up of Boston Harbor, New York City's sludge management program, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company projects to bring new supplies of natural gas to the Northeast, and execution of hazardous waste management projects from coast to coast. In addition to Boston, Stone & Webster has offices in Aiken, S.C.; Cherry Hill, N.J.; Chicago; Decatur, Ala.; Denver; Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Houston; New York; Oak Ridge, Tenn.; Richland, Wash.; San Francisco, and Tampa, Fla.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Georgia Public Service Commission (PSC) approved today a plan proposed by Southern Bell that will provide incentives for businesses locating or expanding in rural Georgia.

The plan was proposed in May in response to concerns expressed by the state legislature, PSC, Georgia Municipal Association and the Association County Commissioners, for the need to develop ways to stimulate rural Georgia's economy.

The state legislature passed a bill during the 1989 session which created a Job Tax Credit Program that offers incentives for industry to locate or expand in Georgia's 40 most economically disadvantaged counties.

"In our effort to support economic development, we feel it is appropriate for Southern Bell to offer some major incentives to stimulate growth," said Ted Lawrence, Southern Bell's director-Economic Development. "The incentives we will provide offer considerable discounts on a variety of telecommunications services to new and expanding industries who choose to locate or expand in any of those disadvantaged counties."

Southern Bell's incentives will include: -- 100 percent waiver of all normal deposits; -- 100 percent waiver of service connection/installation charges; and -- 50 percent discount on monthly recurring charges for 12 months on all tariffed items, excluding Message Toll Service and WATS. To be eligible for these incentives, businesses must locate or expand in any of the counties served by Southern Bell that are on the list of 40 most economically disadvanted counties identified by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs in relation to the Job Tax Credit Act.

"We are pleased that the commission has approved our proposal," said Lawrence. "We are anxious to move forward and work with industry to stimulate economic growth in rural Georgia."

Other BellSouth subsidiaries plan to offer a similar package of incentives for non-regulated products and services to qualifying industries locating within any of Georgia's 159 counties. This package includes significant discounts on yellow pages advertising, a free mobile phone and usage and discounts on premises-based equipment and training. It also offers discounts on BellSouth's enhanced network services. Southern Bell's Economic Development Organization will individually design and offer this package to qualified businesses.

"These packages call upon the depth of resources available throughout our BellSouth companies to provide a total solution to each business's communications needs," added Lawrence. "We believe that these significant economic incentives will encourage the creation of new jobs and will stimulate the economies of a number of Georgia's most disadvantaged counties."

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ATLANTA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Department of Transportation yesterday awarded Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) new authority for service between Los Angeles and Tokyo and between Portland and Nagoya.

"We are gratified that the Department of Transportation has granted Delta the authority to begin service on these two important new routes," said Al Kolakowski, Delta's vice president - sales. "We look forward to bringing Delta's traditional high standards of service and reliability to these new markets.

"The success of our Portland, Oregon, gateway to the Pacific basin, as well as the continued development of our Los Angeles hub, were important factors in Delta's receipt of this new international authority," added Kolakowski.

The new route to Nagoya, coupled with recently announced service from Los Angeles to Hong Kong beginning in May 1991, will bring to six the number of cities served by Delta in the Pacific. Tokyo, Seoul, Taipei and Bangkok already are served by Delta from the Portland, Ore., gateway.

Delta said it will begin immediately to finalize plans for operating these routes and will announce inaugural dates soon. Delta will operate the new MD-11 on the Los Angeles-Tokyo route and the international-range Lockheed L-1011 TriStar jets between Portland and Nagoya.

A major world airline, Delta operates more than 2,400 flights each day to 177 cities in 13 foreign countries.

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NEEDHAM, MA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - LoJack Corp. (NASDAQ: LOJN), President, C. Michael Daley reported today that LoJack is in the process of installing tracking devices in Chicago Police Department squad cars as part of the city's program to activate the LoJack Stolen Vehicle Recovery System.

The company also reported that consumer marketing executive, Frederick A. Dial had been named head of LoJack of Illinois, the company's distributor in the state.

At a press conference held in Chicago yesterday, Oct. 15, at which it was reported that activation would soon take place, Chicago police Superintendent LeRoy Martin said that the LoJack tracking devices would be installed in marked, "select" squad cars as well as other police vehicles including Gang Crimes, Auto Theft and vehicles used by the Chicago Airport Police Unit at O'Hare International Airport.

At the press conference it was reported that vehicle theft had risen 5 percent in the first nine months of 1990 in Chicago. Last year 45,898 vehicles were stolen in the city. Statistics indicate that approximately 4.2 million are stolen nationally. Superintendent Martin said that he was looking forward to using LoJack's technology to combat car thefts, citing their enormous negative economic impact.

LoJacks' new head of operations in Illinois, Dial, was most recently director of corporate consumer marketing for G.D. Searle Inc., a division of Monsanto Corp. Before that he was responsible for the marketing of Nutri Sweet, also owned by Monsanto Corp. Dial recieved a B.S. degree from Duke University and an M.B.A. degree from Columbia University. LoJack of Illinois' offices are located at 655 West Grand Ave., Elmhurst, Ill.

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LANDOVER, MD (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Applied Research Corporation (PHLX: ARL, ARLX, ARL X, ARL.X) today released its results of operations for the first quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

The results are summarized below:

	3 Months Ended Aug. 31, 1990	3 Months Ended Aug. 31, 1989
Contract Revenue	$1,527,168	$1,791,988
Operating Income	25,584	128,337
Net Income (Loss)	(30,815)	39,463
Net Income (Loss) Per Common Share	$ (0.01)	$ 0.01

Managements focus during late 1990 and the first quarter of 1991 has been to fill contract vacancies for direct charging personnel and to identify and reduce indirect cost inefficiencies within the company. The positive impact of these actions was not fully realized during the first quarter of fiscal 1991 as the company was adversely affected by reduced direct labor and increased overhead costs as compared to the same period of the previous year.

Management anticipates an increase in the company's direct labor base during the second quarter as first quarter efforts to increase utilization of direct personnel take effect and several contract awards move into the start-up phase.

In addition, management has taken positive steps in the first quarter at reducing some of the fixed costs of doing business in the areas of rent, travel and insurance that should provide reduced operating costs in the third and fourth quarter of fiscal 1991. In addition, the company increased the use of a $350,000 line of credit activated during the quarter. The credit arrangement bears interest at prime plus 3 percent and will generate a substantial interest savings to be realized over the remainder of fiscal 1991.

Although the first quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, represents a net loss of $30,815, the company has begun to feel some of the benefit of its recent efforts by maintaining a level of revenue for the quarter equivalent (on an annualized basis) to that of fiscal 1990, while incurring an annualized net loss of less than half of the loss sustained in fiscal 1990. The company feels that the combination of a stronger director labor base and reduced operating costs coupled with the more favorable credit arrangement will yield positive results in future quarters.

CONTACT: Dr. S.P.S. Anand, president and CEO, 301-459-8442, or Malcolm McGuire, 303-355-1156, both for Applied Research Corporation

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FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCSHARES INC. EARNS $1.89 MILLION IN THIRD QUARTER

JASPER, ALA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - First Commercial Bancshares (NASDAQ: FSCB) Inc. (Jasper, Ala.) today announced per share earnings of $0.50

(unaudited) for the third quarter of 1990, representing an increase of 11.1 percent over earnings per common and diluted common equivalent shares of $0.45 for the same period in 1989.

Earnings for the third quarter were $1.89 million compared to $1.72 million for the third quarter of 1989.

The company's total assets on Sept. 30, 1990 were $746 million as compared to $624 million on Sept. 30, 1989, representing an increase of 19.6 percent. Total stockholders' equity at Sept. 30, was $62.1 million, or $16.76 on a per share basis.

John T. Oliver Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of First Commercial stated that: "We are proud to be able to report such strong results for the quarter and for the year. Despite the bad news that has seemed to plague the banking industry throughout 1990, First Commercial should have a successful year, both in terms of earnings growth and asset growth."

First Commercial Bancshares Inc. and Citizens Independent Bancorp have executed a merger agreement under the terms of which the shareholders of Citizens Independent Bancorp will receive .9 shares of First Commercial common stock for each Citizens Independent Bancorp share they own. The transaction is subject to the receipt of all necessary regulatory approvals and approval by Citizens Independent Bancorp Shareholders. Citizens Independent is a one-bank holding company with total assets of $56.7 million as of Sept. 30.

First Commercial Bancshares Inc. has four banking subsidiaires: First National Bank of Jasper (Jasper), First Commercial Bank (Birmingham), The Bank of Tuscaloosa (Tuscaloosa), and Sterling Bank (Montgomery).

CONTACT: Robert M. Couch of First Commercial Bancshares, 205-868-4819

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Bankers Trust New York Corporation (NYSE: BT) has declared a quarterly dividend of $1.0900 per share on its 5 million shares of fixed/adjustable rate cumulative preferred stock Series D. The dividend is payable Dec. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 15, 1990.

Also declared were quarterly dividends on the following 2,500 shares of money market cumulative preferred stock:

Series	No. of shares	Dividend	Date	Date
Series E	625	$605.8	11/09/90	11/13/90
Series F	625	$581.9	11/16/90	11/19/90
Series G	625	$547.3	11/23/90	11/26/90
Series H	625	$569.1	11/30/90	12/03/90

CONTACT: Thomas A. Parisi of Bankers Trust, 212-850-1686

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Chang-Lin Tien, 55, chancellor of the University of California at Berkeley, has been elected to the board of Wells Fargo & Co. (NYSE: WFC), parent company of Wells Fargo Bank.

Tien was appointed earlier this year by the University of California Board of Regents as the seventh chancellor to head UC's Berkeley campus. An internationally recognized engineer, scientist, research scholar and award-winning teacher, Tien has spent 29 years of his academic career at UC Berkeley.

Carl E. Reichardt, chairman of the board of Wells Fargo & Co., said of Tien, "We are pleased to welcome Dr. Tien, whose presence continues Wells Fargo's long tradition of having talented people from the educational field on our board of directors."

Prior to his appointment as chancellor, Tien was executive vice chancellor at UC Irvine.

Tien's distinguished career of academic, professional and public service has brought him numerous honors, including election to the National Academy of Engineering and Berkeley's Distinguished Teaching Award.

In 1989, he was named "Most Distinguished Chinese Scholar" by the Society of Hong Kong Scholars, citing his eminence in the field as an educator and researcher and his concern for social affairs throughout the world, particularly in China.

Chosen by unanimous vote of UC's regents, Tien is the first Asian- American to head a major research university in the United States. His principal goals as chancellor, he has said, are to preserve and enhance the excellence of Berkeley's faculty and educational programs, to achieve diversity at all levels, to improve undergraduate education, and to strengthen many relationships (including one with the California business community and throughout the Pacific Rim).

Born in China, Tien studied at a private school in Shanghai and graduated in mechanical engineering from National Taiwan University in 1955. In 1956, he came to America, where he became a naturalized citizen. He earned a master's degree from the University of Louisville in 1957, then master's and Ph.D. degrees in 1959 from Princeton University.

Tien and his wife, Di-Hwa, have three grown children, a son and two daughters.

CONTACT: Mary Essary of Wells Fargo & Co. public relations department, 415-396-3606

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GAITHERSBURG, MD (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Life Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: LTEK) reported that net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $3.6 million, an increase of 11 percent over the same period last year. Third quarter earnings per share of $0.26 exceeded $0.24 per share for the quarter a year earlier.

Net sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $38.2 million, an increase of $6.1 million, or 19 percent, over the same quarter last year. Higher unit sales of life science research and industrial products, other than fetal bovine serum (FBS), increased by $3.9 million, or 16 percent, when compared with the third quarter of 1989. Sales for Molecular Diagnostics products represented less than $1 million in the third quarter of 1990, or about the same as the quarter a year earlier. Changes in currency exchange rates benefited third quarter 1990 sales by $2.3 million, or 7 percent, when compared with the same quarter last year. Higher FBS unit sales in the third quarter 1990 of almost $1 million were offset by lower FBS unit selling prices. FBS accounted for 19 percent of net sales in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared with 21 percent in the same quarter last year.

Gross margins as a percentage of sales were slightly lower than the third quarter of 1989, mostly as a result of product mix changes. Changes in FBS costs increased the LIFO reserve $0.5 million in the current year's third quarter compared with a $1.7 million reduction in the LIFO reserve in the same period last year. Marketing and administrative expenses increased 22 percent as LTI strengthened its organization. Investment in research and development programs increased $0.5 million, or 17 percent over the same period last year. The additional investment in research and development was directed towards the company's core life science research and industrial businesses.

Operating income was $4.7 million in the third quarter of 1990, a 7 percent increase over the same period last year. Investment income increased primarily because of higher levels of investable cash balances.

Life Technologies, Inc. develops, manufactures and supplies more than 2,000 products used principally in life science research, commercial manufacture of genetically engineered products and human diagnostics. The company believes it is a leading supplier of sera and other cell growth media, as well as enzymes and other biological products necessary for recombinant DNA procedures.

CONTACT: Joseph C. Stokes, Jr., vice president, or Kenneth A. Sexton of Life Technologies, 301-840-8000; or Robert P. Borchert of

Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Life Technologies

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WOODBURY, NY (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - More than 50,000 illegal cable television and MMDS (wireless) descramblers/decoders were seized in Brooklyn and Long Island by Cablevision Systems Corporation (AMEX: CVC), the Long Island-based operator of cable television systems, the company announced today. This is the largest seizure to date of equipment capable of illegally receiving cable television signals, and it represents a potential $150 million loss to the cable industry according to National Cable Television Association estimates.

The seizure is the result of a 16-month investigation conducted by Cablevision in cooperation with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Cablevision began civil proceedings in the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York, and was granted an order of civil seizure and an injunction directed at Can Muneyyirci (a/k/a Jon Neyir), Rita DeGirmenci, Stargaze Satellite Systems, Inc., Video-Link Enterprises, Inc., Atlantic Distributing Center, Inc. (doing business as AC/DC) and their affiliates.

The order prevents the defendants from, among other things, purchasing, selling, manufacturing and distributing devices capable of descrambling encrypted cable television transmissions. The seizure of the illegal descramblers/decoders began at two sites in Brooklyn and one in Syosset, N.Y., on Oct. 4, 1990; and due to the large quantities involved took four days to complete.

Robert J. Astarita, Cablevision's corporate director of security, stated, "Muneyyirci's operations included wholesale, retail and mail order sales of these devices throughout the U.S. via a network of companies which we believe were established to circumvent the law.

"Theft of cable service is estimated at well over $1 billion annually and our seizure is just the tip of the iceberg. This successful operation represents our commitment to protecting the cable industry and its programming suppliers, as well as legitimate cable TV subscribers."

"This is the most extensive civil seizure of cable piracy equipment ever," observed Jim Allen, director of the National Cable Television Association's Office of Cable Signal Theft. "Cablevision is the industry leader in combating theft of cable service. Their continued success reinforces the need for serious commitment, on the part of all multiple-system operators, to the anti-piracy effort."

Prior to the events of Oct. 4, the FBI arrested Muneyyirci on federal criminal charges on Aug. 23, 1990, and confiscated illegal equipment and extensive

records.

Cablevision Systems Corporation and affiliated systems serve more than 1.5 million subscribers, of which over 1.3 million subscribers are served by Cablevision Systems Corporation and an additional 200,000 are served by affiliated systems.

CONTACT: David Carey of Cablevision Systems, 516-496-1271

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NEWPORT NEWS, VA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Noland Company (NASDAQ-NMS: NOLD) today reported net income of $762,000, or 20 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990. This represents a 25.8 percent decline from the year-earlier earnings of $1,027,000, or 28 cents per share.

As previously reported, the wholesale distribution firm's third- quarter sales totaled $110,515,000, 4.8 percent less than third-quarter 1989's $116,107,000.

Chairman Lloyd U. Noland III said demand for the company's products and services weakened further in the third quarter, reflecting worsening conditions in the construction industry and a slowdown in factory production in many parts of the South. "Of our four product departments, only Air Conditioning/Refrigeration improved sales -- a 2 percent gain that was attributable to the reasonably strong demand for replacement air conditioning equipment during the hot summer months."

Noland said the company achieved a slight improvement in its gross margin of profit on sales, and was successful in keeping operating expenses nearly even with those of the year-earlier quarter. "Still, expenses were too high in relation to our lower sales volume, and that led to a 48.7 percent decline in operating profit compared to the year- earlier period."

"On the plus side," he added, "we continue to benefit from better management of our trading assets. Lower investments in account receivable and inventory, coupled with lower short-term interest rates, allowed a 20.5 percent reduction in interest expense for the quarter." Total borrowings as of Sept. 30 were $8.8 million less than the Sept. 30, 1989, level.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income totaled $3,193,000, or 86 cents per share, 4.2 percent less than the year-earlier period's $3,331,000, or 90 cents per share. Sales were down 3.7 percent from 1989's $342,548,000, at $330,025,000.

Noland said sales are likely to remain at relatively low levels in the fourth quarter, based on current economic projections and a 10 percent decline in the company's future delivery business bookings at the end of September, compared

to the year-earlier date. "Our challenge now is to aggressively strive for increased market penetration while building on our recent success in eliminating waste and excesses within the company."

Noland has 93 branches in 13 Southeastern states. The company distributes products in the plumbing, heating, electrical, air conditioning, refrigeration and industrial fields, as well as water well drilling equipment.

NOLAND COMPANY
Financial Highlights

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990(A)	1989
Merchandise sales	$110,515,040	$116,106,960
Net income	762,052	1,027,197
Earnings per share(B)	$.20	$.28
Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990(A)	1989
Merchandise sales	$330,025,289	$342,547,785
Net income	3,192,850	3,331,255
Earnings per share(B)	$.86	$.90

(A) -- 1990 results have not been audited and are subject to year- end adjustments.

(B) -- Based on 3,700,876 shares outstanding in both 1990 and 1989.

CONTACT: John E. Gullett of Noland Company, 804-928-9000

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CHARLESTON, W.VA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: EBCI), the parent company of First Empire Federal Savings and Loan Association today reported that the Board of Directors authorized the payment of an $.11 per share dividend on November 9, 1990 to stockholders of record on October 26 1990. This represents a 22 percent increase from the previous regular dividend of $.09 per share.

First Empire Federal Savings and Loan Association operates ten offices in southern West Virginia. Eagle Bancorp, Inc. is traded on the NASDAQ SYSTEM (SYMBOL EBCI).

CONTACT: J. Christopher Thomas, President and Chief Operating Officer, or Cindy S. McGhee, Controller, 304-340-4632, both of Eagle Bancorp, Inc.

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RALEIGH, NC (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Microwave Laboratories, Inc. (MLI) (NASDAQ: MWAV) announced today that its T1073 Traveling Wave Tube has

completed all governmental required life and environmental qualification testing. The successful completion of qualification is still dependent, however, upon the approval by the U.S. Government of the First Article Test Report.

The government has up to 90 days to approve the First Article Test Report at which time the company would be awarded qualified vendor status for the T1073 Tube and would be entitled to begin production and shipment of the tubes at that time. The company currently has contracts totalling approximatley $9.3 million to manufacture the T1073 Traveling Wave Tube for sale to the Navy for its AN/ALQ-99 program. Although no assurances can be given, management believes the government will award them qualified vendor status for the T-1073 Tubes.

On September 10, 1990, the company announced that the government had approved the First Article Test Report for the T1062 Traveling Wave Tube and the company was entitled to begin production and shipments of the tube at that time. The company currently has a contract for approximately $4.4 million to manufacture the T1062 Traveling Wave Tube for sale to the Navy for its AN/ALQ-99 program. The company shipped its first lot of production T1062 Tubes in September.

The company is currently qualified to manufacture three (the T1056, T1059 and T1062 Tubes) of the five tubes used in the AN/ALQ-99 system. Although no assurance can be given, management believes the government will award the company qualified vendor status on the fourth AN/ALQ-99 Traveling Wave Tube; the T1073 Tube. The AN/ALQ-99 system is presently being used in the Persian Gulf to protect the U.S. Fleet.

CONTACT: Gary L. Allen of Microwave Laboratories, 919-781-4260.

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#90289p5610 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUND, MN (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Quartz Inc. of Mound, Minn., announced today that it was notified on Oct. 15 of the pending cancellation of the order it received in 1989 for large quantities of highly purified quartz powders. The reason for the cancellation was stated by the customer as continued contamination problems in the product and consequent delays in scheduled deliveries. The company continues to work with other potential customers of its products.

Quartz Inc., formed in 1985, is a development stage company which will manufacture high purity powdered quartz from imported raw quartz for sale to manufacturers of specialized quartz products.

CONTACT: Robert J. Keyport of Quartz Inc., 612-472-5545

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#90289p5619 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Frank W. Luerssen, chairman and chief executive officer, Inland Steel Industries, Inc. (NYSE: IAD), today responded to the announcement by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency that it was filing a suit against Inland Steel Co. and others for environmental violations.

Luerssen said Inland is well aware of the difficulties it has in systematically controlling air and water emissions at its Indiana Harbor Works steelmaking plant in East Chicago, Ind. He added that Inland is cooperating with the EPA in reporting information and is working with them to address these and other issues they have raised.

"We will continue to take responsible actions to improve our environmental programs," said Luerssen. "We are doing this by changing our operating processes and practices. For example, we have initiated preliminary engineering studies for an environmentally clean cokemaking process."

CONTACT: Robert Lefley of Inland Steel, (312 899-3170.

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#90289p5620 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. PAUL, MN (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - AmClyde Engineered Products, Inc. announced today that it has been awarded a contract in excess of $11 million by Shell Offshore Inc. to design and furnish high technology equipment for producing oil in record offshore ocean depths. The world's largest lateral mooring system, cranes and winches will be part of an over $1 billion Auger Project which includes a tension leg platform (TLP) Shell will operate in 2,860 foot water depths in the Gulf of Mexico. This will eclipse the previous record deepwater producing depth of 1,760 feet.

"We are proud to continue to be part of the developing deepwater production technology for which this project opens yet another frontier in the world's quest for petroleum," stated Wallace K. Fisk, Jr., president and chief executive officer of AmClyde. "Winning this highly sought after contract allows us to further demonstrate the design and building talents of our people " Fisk said.

Emphasizing the world's current energy crisis in the Middle East, Fisk stated that 35 percent of all new oil leases in the past five years in the Gulf are in water depths exceeding 2,000 feet.

AmClyde is the world's premier designer and builder of large specialty equipment for lifting, pulling, moving and mooring the heaviest loads in the offshore oil and gas market, for shipyards, for material handling and for U.S. government installations. AmClyde's work force of over 200 highly technical

and experienced people support its worldwide leadership position in the custom engineered crane and winch business. Since 1892, customers, with over 10,000 cranes and winches in their operating "fleets," are being served by AmClyde on a worldwide basis.

CONTACT: Terrie Thompson of AmClyde, 612-293-4687

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DENVER (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Newmont Mining Corp. (NYSE: NEM) today was informed that Hanson PLC has entered into arrangements whereby it proposes to dispose of its 49.1 percent interest in Newmont to firms associated with Sir James M. Goldsmith, principally his General Oriental Investments Ltd.

Gordon R. Parker, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Newmont said that "if the transaction occurs, we would look forward to as constructive a relationship with our new shareholder as we have had with Hanson," adding that Newmont assumed that the customary pre-conditions to completion of the arrangements between the two parties could be met.

Parker noted that under the terms of the stockholding agreement between Newmont and the affiliates of Hanson which hold the 49.1 percent Newmont stake Newmont--or an assignee of Newmont's--has a 60 day right of first refusal in which to match the $1.111 billion cash portion of the proposed transaction. The right thus relates to 42 percent of Newmont's shares.

Newmont Mining recently concluded a successful restructuring program which has transformed it into a pure gold company with a sound financial basis and bright prospects for the future. Newmont Mining owns 90.1 percent of Newmont Gold Co., the largest producer in North America with the largest announced proven and probable gold reserves on the continent.

CONTACT: James F. Hill of Newmont Mining Corp., 303-837-5977

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#90289p5627 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROANOKE, VA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Roanoke Electric Steel Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: RESC) today reported that at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation held October 16, 1990, the 128th consecutive quarterly cash dividend was declared in the amount of 12 cents per share of common stock, payable November 23, 1990 to shareholders of record November 2, 1990.

In a separate action, the Board also declared an extra cash dividend in the amount of 5 cents per share of common stock, payable December 20, 1990 to shareholders of record December 6, 1990.

Roanoke Electric Steel Corporation is a mini-mill producer of merchant steel products, consisting of angles, plain rounds, flats, channels and reinforcing bars, which are sold to steel fabricators and steel service centers across the eastern United States. Four subsidiaries are involved in various steel-related activities, consisting of steel scrap production, steel bar joist fabrication and reinforcing bar fabrication.

CONTACT: Thomas J. Crawford, Roanoke Electric Steel Corporation, 703-342-1831

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#90289p5629 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Bearings, Inc. (NYSE: BER) today reported lower net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer George L. LaMore reported that net income was $1,068,000 or $.15 per share, on sales of $206,013,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net income in the same quarter last year was $4,163,000 or $.57 per share on sales of $156,585,000.

LaMore commented, "As expected, our operations were adversely affected during the quarter by a number of factors relating to the acquisition of King Bearing Inc. on June 29, 1990, as well as the recent slowdown in the industrial economy. Our sales increased by 32 percent principally from the acquisition of King. We are currently in the process of restructuring, combining many Bearings, Inc. locations with those of King in the West, Northwest and Southwestern United States. We expect this process to be substantially completed by the end of the March 1991 quarter."

LaMore added, "During the quarter, the company reduced its outstanding short-term borrowing by over $20 million. The company's goal is to achieve further reductions from asset management during the remainder of the fiscal year."

On Oct. 16, 1990, the board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.16 per share, payable Nov. 30, to shareholders of record Nov. 15, 1990. The board also increased the company's authorization to acquire additional shares of its common stock from 252,000 shares to 350,000 shares in open market and negotiated transactions, from time-to-time, depending on market conditions.

Bearings, Inc. is the nation's leading independent distributor of bearings and power transmission components with over 340 branches in 37 states.

CONTACT: Raymond E. Smiley, vice president, treasurer and chief financial officer of Bearings, Inc., 216-881-2838, ext. 253

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#90289p5632 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

REDWOOD CITY, CALIF. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - VeriFone Inc. (NASDAQ: VFIC), a leading supplier of Transaction Automation systems worldwide, today reported its results for the quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter totaled $39.7 million, an increase of 14 percent over revenues of $34.8 million during the like period in 1989. Net income was $2.36 million, down 10 percent from earnigns of $2.61 million during the year-earlier period. Earnings per share for the quarter were $.10, compared to $.13 per share earned in the 1989 quarter. This reflects lower net income and an 11 percent increase in shares outstanding that followed the company's initial public offering in March 1990.

VeriFone's revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $113.9 million, an increase of 31 percent over revenues of $87.0 million for the like period of 1989. Net income totaled $8.6 million, an increase of 15 percent over the $7.5 million earned in the 1989 period. Earnings per share for the three quarters in 1990 were $.39, compared to $.38 in the 1989 period, while average shares outstanding increased 11 percent.

"During the quarter, we continued to expand the boundaries of Transaction Automation with the introduction of three new value-added communications products," said Hatim Tyabji, president and chief executive officer of VeriFone. "These include the TRANZceiver wireless local area network (LAN) unit, the OMNI 330 synchronous/asynchronous transaction system, and the VeriCast data broadcasting option for fast, low-cost credit authorization. In addition, we formed a strategic marketing alliance with International Verifact Inc. (IVI) of Toronto which makes IVI the exclusive distributor of VeriFone products in Canada and gives VeriFone worldwide distribution rights to IVI banking automation and data security products outside Canada."

VeriFone Inc., based in Redwood City, is a leading supplier of Transaction Automation systems used to deliver payment processing and other financial services to the retail and petroleum industries worldwide. In addition, VeriFone is developing new market segments for Transaction Automation, such as fast food, health care and government. The company has 30 offices located throughout North America and in London; Paris; Madrid; The Hague; Sydney; Taipei; Singapore and Bangalore, India. VeriFone has shipped more than 1.6 million Transaction Automation systems to date.

VERIFONE INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Unaudited, dollars in thousands except per share data)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 28, 1990	Sept. 29, 1989	Sept. 28, 1990	Sept. 29, 1989

Net revenues	$ 39,735	$ 34,812	$113,850	$ 86,967
Costs and expenses				
Cost of revenues	19,976	18,540	56,345	45,602
Research and development	4,466	3,580	12,355	9,047
Selling, general and administrative	12,254	8,818	33,470	21,771
Total costs and expenses	36,696	30,930	102,170	76,420
Income from operations	3,039	3,882	11,680	10,547
Interest income, net	675	236	1,816	1,207
Income before income taxes	3,714	4,118	13,496	11,754
Provision for income taxes	1,356	1,504	4,926	4,293
Net income	$ 2,358	$ 2,614	$ 8,570	$ 7,461
Net income per share	$ 0.10	$ 0.13	$ 0.39	$ 0.38
Common and common equivalent shares used in computing per share amounts	22,783	19,870	22,121	19,876

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Dollars in thousands)

	Sept. 28, 1990 (Unaudited)	Dec. 29, 1989
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 45,550	$ 20,157
Short-term investments	10,332	---
Accounts receivable, net	33,508	22,001
Inventories	26,729	27,901
Prepaid expenses	1,586	978
Total current assets	117,705	71,037
Property, plant and equipment, net	17,098	11,976
Other assets, net	8,593	9,834
Total	$143,396	$ 92,847
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	$ 8,247	$ 10,911
Accrued compensation	3,475	2,797
Other accrued liabilities	5,050	4,304
Income taxes payable	4,691	1,259
Deferred revenue	2,779	1,593
Current portion, capital lease obligations	343	295
Total current liabilities	24,585	21,159
Long term debt, including capital lease obligations less current portion	1,221	1,216
Deferred income taxes	2,434	2,434
Stockholders' equity	115,156	68,038
Total	$143,396	$ 92,847

CONTACT: Thomas W. Hubbs, 415-598-5548 or Tod Bottari, 415-598-5570, both of VeriFone Inc.

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#90289p5633 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
OLDSMAR, Fla. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - International Systems and Technology, Inc. (INSAT) (NASDAQ: INWN, INWNU) today reported the establishment of a new division with the sole purpose of developing a recently acquired patented technology and the worldwide marketing of that technology.

The new division, incorporated as Thermal Transfer Technology, will be headed by Donald Harrison, a nationally known and recognized heat transfer engineer. Harrison was a key member of the New York Power Authority team which developed the technology which resulted in the issuance of the patent. The new technology, specially designed for nuclear reactor cooling systems, is easily adaptable for service to the petroleum industry refinery operation, chemical plants, fertilizer plant operations, and pipelines. In addition, the new division has expertise in a full spectrum of heat treating application, which may cover a large span of industrial uses.

An agreement has been negotiated with the patent holders assigning worldwide exclusive rights to develop and market the technology. Patent holders are Thomas Butler and David Sancic, employees of the New York Power Authority. The full rights agreement between the patent holders and INSAT was signed Oct. 4, 1990. The INSAT chief engineer and Thermal Transfer Technology Division president stated his division has already received requests for bids on three separate situations involving heat treating and heat transfer applications.

CONTACT: Edward T. Imparato, 813-855-2671, for International Systems and Technology

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#90289p5634 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEVELAND, (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Bearings, Inc., (NYSE: BER) board of directors announced today that Robert C. Stinson, vice president - general counsel of Bearings, Inc., has been named secretary of the company and Michael L. Coticchia, associate corporate counsel of Bearings Inc., has been named assistant secretary of the company.

A native of Chagrin Falls, Ohio, Stinson was graduated from Mount Union College, Alliance, Ohio, where he received a bachelor of arts degree before attending the University of Cincinnati, College of Law where he received his juris doctor.

Stinson and his wife Sally, reside in Chagrin Falls, Ohio, with their two children, Jeff and Jenny. Stinson is a member of the American Bar Association Ohio Bar Association (member of the Corporation Law Committee), and the Cleveland Bar Association (trustee for the Securities Law Section; and a

member of the Securities Law Institute Committee).

A native of Cleveland, Coticchia was graduated from Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio, where he received a bachelor of arts degree before attending the University of Notre Dame, Law School where he received his juris doctor.

Coticchia and his wife, Lori, reside in Rocky River, Ohio, with their son, Pierce. Coticchia is a member of the American Bar Association, Ohio Bar Asssociation (member of the Real Estate Law Section), and the Cleveland Bar Association.

Bearings, Inc. is the largest independent distributor of replacement bearings, power transmission components and related specialty items with 345 branches in 37 states. Bearings, Inc., common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange; ticker symbol BER.

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DECATUR, GA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - DFSoutheastern Inc. (NASDAQ: DFSE), the Decatur, Ga.-based holding company for Decatur Federal Savings and Loan Association, today announced the results of operations for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, as well as declared a dividend in the amount of five (5) cents per share for shareholders of record as of Oct. 31.

The dividend will be paid on Nov. 9. Net earnings for the third quarter were $549,000, or 12 cents per share, decreasing from $3,331,000, or 72 cents per share, for the same period last year. Operating earnings, which are net earnings other than gains or losses on sale or valuation of assets, decreased by 38 cents per share to $693,000, or 15 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990, from $2,472,000, or 53 cents per share, during the same period in 1989.

Net interest income after provision for possible loan losses for the third quarter of 1990 was $13,218,000, compared to $12,020,000 for the same quarter last year, a 10 percent increase. The net interest margin for the three months ended Sept. 30 was 2.72 percent compared to 2.22 percent for the same period last year. Operating earnings per share were three cents higher than net earnings per share as a result of a valuation reserve of $1.4 million on real estate held for investment, which is included in other operating expenses.

For the first nine months of 1990, net earnings were $6,814,000, or $1.47 per share, compared to $8,460,000, or $1.82 per share for the same period in 1989. Operating earnings for the current nine month period were $6,529,000, or $1.41 per share, compared to $6,131,000, or $1.32 per share in 1989. The net interest margin for the nine months ended Sept. 30 was 2.73 percent compared

to 2.24 percent for the same period in 1989.

During the third quarter of 1990, the company's management continued its systematic increases to the reserves for possible loan losses as a prudent and conservative measure for dealing with uncertain real estate markets. As a result, the reserve increased by $1.8 million to $7.4 million from $5.6 million as of the close of the quarter ended Sept. 30. Nonperforming assets increased $13.3 million to $71.4 million as a result of loans to one borrower becoming 90 days past due.

According to Robert C. McMahan, chairman of the board and chief executive officer: "While maintaining our conservative approach to building our reserves, we have adopted an aggressive posture in dealing with our nonperforming assets. These aggressive measures include developing innovative methods of selling our real estate owned, restructuring certain loans and adhering to more stringent underwriting standards on new residential construction loans. During the third quarter, net charge offs to average loans outstanding were low at just two basis points. We are sensitive to possible increases in nonperforming assets during the coming quarter and are making plans with continued systematic additions to the reserves for possible loan losses."

At Sept. 30, DFSoutheastern Inc. (DFSE) had consolidated assets of $2.5 billion and deposits of $1.8 billion. Decatur Federal Savings and Loan Association, the wholly owned subsidiary of DFSoutheastern Inc., has 29 branch offices and five Mortgage Loan Offices serving metropolitan Atlanta and north Georgia. Fairfield Mortgage Services Inc., a wholly owned mortgage subsidiary of Decatur Federal, operates 15 mortgage loan offices in Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama and north Florida. DFSoutheastern's common stock is traded in the NASDAQ Over-the-Counter Securities Exchange under the symbol "DFSE."

DFSoutheastern Inc. and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Statements of Earnings

3 mos. ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
(Unaudited in thousands, except per share data)		
Interest income:		
Loans receivable	$ 46,543	$ 45,029
Mortgage backed securities	7,920	12,046
Investment securities	1,733	1,959
Other interest income	1,101	1,401
Total interest income	57,297	60,435
Interest and dividend expense:		
Deposits	32,574	33,263
Dividends on preferred stock of subsidiary company	0	171
Advances and other borrowings	9,461	14,181
Total interest and dividend expense	42,035	47,615

Net interest income	15,262	12,820
Prov. for possible loan losses	2,044	800
Net interest income after prov. for possible loan losses	13,218	12,020
Other income: Loan fees and servicing income	1,045	808
Deposit and other service charges	1,760	1,467
Gain on sale of loans (includes previously deferred loan fees for nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, $891,000; Sept. 30, 1989, $370,000; nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, $1,421,000; Sept. 30, 1989, $1,121,000)	755	477
Gain on sale of investment and mortgage-backed securities	47	396
Gain on sale of real estate held for development and sale	112	246
Gain (loss) on sale of real estate held for investment	(24)	293
Unrealized loss on real estate held for investment	(1,413)	--
Loss on real estate held in settlement of loans	(1,137)	(172)
Other, net	1,543	1,373
Total other income	2,688	4,888
General and admin. expenses:		
Compensation and related benefits	6,968	6,107
Net occupancy expense	1,767	1,511
Advertising	339	350
Federal insurance premiums	898	765
Amortization of goodwill	275	275
Other operating expenses	3,660	2,715
Total general and admin. expenses	13,907	11,723
Earnings before federal income tax expense	1,999	5,185
Federal income tax expense	1,450	1,854
Net earnings	$549	$3,331
Earnings per share	$.12	$.72

9 mos. ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
(Unaudited in thousands except per share data)		
Interest income:		
Loans receivable	$137,274	$137,921
Mortgage backed securities	23,786	31,220
Investment securities	5,890	5,422
Other interest income	3,088	3,865
Total interest income	170,038	178,428
Interest and dividend expense:		
Deposits	97,248	97,364
Dividends on preferred stock		

of subsidiary company	89	626
Advances and other borrowings	27,684	41,719
Total interest and dividend expense	125,021	139,709
Net interest income	45,017	38,719
Prov. for possible loan losses	3,934	1,500
Net interest income after prov. for possible loan losses	41,083	37,219
Other income: Loan fees and servicing income	2,485	1,774
Deposit and other service charges	4,862	4,245
Gain on sale of loans (includes previously deferred loan fees for nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, $891,000; Sept. 30, 1989, $370,000; nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, $1,421,000; Sept. 30, 1989, $1,121,000)	475	1,611
Gain on sale of investment and mortgage-backed securities	948	831
Gain on sale of real estate held for development and sale	501	875
Gain (loss) on sale of real estate held for investment	(21)	560
Unrealized loss on real estate held for investment	(1,413)	--
Loss on real estate held in settlement of loans	(1,613)	(496)
Other, net	4,389	3,764
Total other income	10,613	13,164
General and admin. expenses:		
Compensation and related benefits	20,097	18,415
Net occupancy expense	5,232	4,768
Advertising	1,060	1,440
Federal insurance premiums	2,657	2,499
Amortization of goodwill	826	826
Other operating expenses	10,094	8,873
Total general and admin. expenses	39,966	36,821
Earnings before federal income tax expense	11,730	13,562
Federal income tax expense	4,916	5,102
Net earnings	$6,814	$8,460
Earnings per share	$1.47	$1.82

Financial Highlights
DFSoutheastern Inc.
(Holding Company for Decatur Federal S&L Association)

3 mos. ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
(dollars in thousands)		
(unaudited)		
Operating earnings	$ 711	$ 2,472
Operating earnings per share	$ .15	$ .53

At Sept. 30:		
Shares outstanding	4,637,715	4,636,715
Book value per share	$ 30.01	$ 28.04
Tangible book value per share	$ 26.15	$ 23.93
Total assets	$2,519,370	$2,444,457
Total deposits	$1,773,292	$1,698,123

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WILMINGTON, N.C. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Fincannon and Associates Casting Company, in association with Walt Disney Pictures, is looking for 2-4 year old Male Identical Twins to possibly star in the major motion picture, "HONEY, I SHRUNK THE KIDS" SEQUEL slated to begin principal photography in February of 1991.

"We are hoping to find the next set of child stars from the Southeast," said Mark Fincannon of Fincannon and Associates Casting Company. "With the tremendous amount of work that has been generated in the motion picture industry throughout the Southeast, producers have come to realize the enormous amount of talent available to them here," he added.

"We have been asked to assist in the process of trying to locate MALE IDENTICAL TWIN BOYS between the ages of 2 and 4 years old."

If you have boys who fit this descrpiton, we ask that you send recent clear photographs along with dates of birth, height, and all address and phone information to:

"HONEY" CASTING
FINCANNON AND ASSOCIATES
107 SOUTH FRONT STREET
WILMINGTON, N.C. 28401

Deadline for all photos to be received is October 30, 1990.

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NEW YORK, (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - CrossLand Savings FSB (NYSE: CRL) today reported a net loss of $75.4 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $175.5 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net losses for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $251.8

million compared with net losses of $160.0 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Contributing to the 1990 third quarter net loss were the following charges aggregating $80.8 million:

-- $57.9 million provision for possible loan losses, -- $16.7 million for writedowns of certain real estate assets to estimated net realizable value,

-- $6.2 million in charges resulting from the planned discontinuation of certain branch operations outside of New York State and net expenses from the restructuring of certain funding arrangements and interest rate swaps so as to reduce CrossLand's interest rate risk.

Net interest income before provisions for possible loan losses was $24.4 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $35.6 million in the 1989 third quarter. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net interest income totalled $91.5 million (before provisions for possible loan losses of $158.9 million) compared with $170.2 million (before provisions for possible loan losses of $43.4 million) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The decreases in net interest income are primarily attributable to two factors. First, the reduction of CrossLand's interest-earning assets, primarily mortgage-backed securities, to improve its regulatory capital ratios that are required under the Financial Institutions Recovery, Reform and Enforcement Act (FIRREA), and second, the effects of the continued increases in loans 90 days or more past due and investments in real estate.

CrossLand's investments in real estate (which include acquisition, development and construction (ADC) arrangements, joint ventures and real estate owned (REO) through foreclosure, including deed-in-lieu of foreclosure and in-substance foreclosure) totalled $862.4 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $475.7 million at Sept. 30, 1989. CrossLand's loans 90 days or more past due and REO increased to $320.8 million and $231.8 million, respectively, at Sept. 30, 1990 from $312.5 million and $163.4 million, respectively, at June 30, 1990. For the most part, the increases in loans 90 days past due and REO have resulted from the continued deterioration of the New York City metropolitan area real estate markets.

Loan originations for the three-month and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $419.5 million and $1.5 billion, respectively, compared with $663 million and $2.2 billion, respectively, for the comparable 1989 periods.

Stockholders' equity totalled $395.0 million at Sept. 30, 1990 (or 3.4 percent of total assets) compared with $678.6 million (or 4.5 percent of total assets) at Sept. 30, 1989.

Total assets were $11.7 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $14.9 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. Deposits were $8.0 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $9.2 billion at the end of the 1989 third quarter. The decrease in deposits is primarily attributable to a $1.1 billion decrease in brokered deposits, which totalled $27.1 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

CrossLand's interest rate sensitivity, as measured by the one year gap, was estimated at -19 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, down from -22.6 percent at June 30 1990. At Sept. 30, 1990 its non-investment grade securities when acquired (high yield) portfolio was $15.7 million, down from $452.9 million at Sept. 30 1989.

Other operating income was $16.0 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $17.5 million for the comparable 1989 period. Gain on sales of securities and loans was $7.0 million, resulting primarily from the sale of mortgage-backed securities during the 1990 third quarter. Other operating expenses were $53.3 million in the 1990 third quarter, down from $56.3 million in the 1989 third quarter. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, other operating expenses were $165.3 million, down from $166.9 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

CrossLand's previously announced strategy to downsize and divest itself of certain operations has resulted in a 1990 reduction of over 650 employees, or 19 percent of its staff, to 2,850 employees at Sept. 30, 1990.

Established in 1860 and based in New York City, CrossLand Savings is among the largest savings institutions in the United States serving over one million customers through over 100 retail banking offices in seven states.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Hurco Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: HURC), on Oct. 15, 1990 declared a quarterly cash dividend on its common stock of $.05 per share. The dividend will be payable on Nov. 26, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 29, 1990.

Hurco Companies, Inc. is one of the largest United States-based manufacturers of computer numerical control systems for machine tools. The company is based in Indianapolis, and has additional manufacturing facilities in Detroit, and High Wycombe, England. Its products are sold through 120 independent agents and distributors in the United States and 26 other countries. The company also has direct sales forces in the United States, the United Kingdom and West Germany.

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LAFAYETTE, LA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Offshore Logisitcs Inc. (NASDAQ: OLOG) has agreed to sell the company's marine assets to Gulf Applied Technologies Inc. of Houston.

This sale should be completed within 30 days.

The marine assets of Offshore Logistics produced revenues of $8.5 million in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990 and include 12 vessels operating in the North Sea, Brazil and Southeast Asia.

The disposal of these marine assets represents another step in the company's shift of its business focus to aviation related activities in the oil service industry. OLOG has been reducing its commitment to marine related activities over the past several years.

Offshore Logistics Inc., through its subsidiary Air Logistics, is the second largest supplier of helicopters to the Gulf of Mexico exploration, production and offshore construction activities. Air Logistics which currently operates 145 aircraft, has taken delivery of eight new helicopters since June 30, 1990, and will add an additional 26 aircraft in fiscal 1991 and 1992.

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PASADENA, CA. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Avery International Corp. (NYSE, PSE: AVY) and Dennison Manufacturing Co. (NYSE: DSN) announced today that they have completed the merger of the two companies. The combined company is now known as Avery Dennison Corp. (NYSE, PSE: AVY).

The merger was completed following the conclusion by the United States Department of Justice of its review of the transaction under the federal anti-trust laws. There was no requirement that either company divest any of its operations or assets.

The board of directors of Avery and Dennison agreed to the merger on May 24, 1990, and the merger was approved by the shareholders of each company on Sept. 11, 1990.

The completion of the merger agreement resulted in the exchange of 1.12 shares of Avery common stock for each share of Dennison common stock in a tax-free

transaction.

In addition, Avery's board of directors has approved changing Avery's fiscal year to coincide with the calendar year. Avery Dennison's fiscal year end will be Dec. 31.

"We are pleased that we can now begin aggressively to identify and implement the opportunities for cost savings and market alignment," said Charles D. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer of Avery Dennison. "Efficiency studies are underway and we have begun the structural and operational changes that should result in significant added value for our new company.

"As we have said from the outset, in addition to our worldwide pressure-sensitive materials business, Avery Dennison will have a strong, worldwide presence in office supplies, industrial systems and packaging and labeling. We are enhancing our ability to compete against other global companies. We look forward to the future with confidence."

Avery, headquartered in Pasadena, is a leading worldwide Fortune 300 manufacturer of self-adhesive base materials, labels, tapes, office products and specialty chemicals.

Dennison, based in Framingham, Mass., is a diversified Fortune 500 manufacturer serving worldwide markets for stationery and office products, systems for identification and control and package decoration systems.

CONTACT: Diane B. Dixon, media, 818-304-2118, or Wayne H. Smith, investors, 818-304-2001, of Avery Dennison Corp.

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TORONTO (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Philip Spicer, president of Central Fund of Canada Limited (AMEX: CEF), announced that the board of directors have today declared Central's annual dividend of 1 cent (Cdn.) per Class A share on the outstanding Class A shares of Central. He indicated that the dividend is payable on Nov. 15, 1990, to Class A shareowners of record on Oct. 31.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomson Advisory Group L.P. (NYSE: TAG) today announced earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $3.6 million or $.36 per unit. Revenues for this period were $9.2 million. This compares with 1989 third quarter earnings of $3.8 million or $.38 per unit on revenues of $8.8 million.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, earnings were $10.9 million on revenues of $27.0 million. For the same period in 1989 earnings were $10.9 million on revenues of $25.4 million.

Thomson Advisory Group L.P. also declared a third quarter distribution of $.32 per unit. The record date for this distribution will be Nov. 1, 1990, with the ex-dividend date being Oct. 26, 1990. Payment date will be Nov. 9, 1990.

Thomson Advisory Group L.P. also announced today that the U.S. Bankruptcy Court approved the previously announced proposed acquisition by Thomson Advisory Group Inc. of Thomson McKinnon's general partnership interest in Thomson Advisory Group L.P. and its interest in its affiliated distributor. A closing by month-end is anticipated. Manufacturers Life Insurance Company of Toronto, Canada withdrew its competing bid which had been submitted in late September.

Thomson Advisory Group L.P. manages a group of Thomson mutual funds, and serves as an advisor to private accounts through its Columbus Circle Investors and Foxhall Investment Management divisions. As of Sept. 30, 1990, Thomson Advisory Group L.P. managed over $6.5 billion in assets.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - La Teko Resources Ltd. is pleased to announce the results, that are available, of the 1990 Exploration work at the Ryan Lode and to update shareholders on other aspects of the companies' activities.

Ryan Lode Mine, Fairbanks, Alaska Exploration

1990 Exploration can be broken into two distinct programs. Firstly, exploration on the Main Ryan Shear for heap-leach ore. And secondly, the 3-stage program primarily concerned with the underground potential which will culminate in a series of 2,000-foot probes looking for intrusive contacts with the shear zone.

Main Ryan Shear - Heap Leaching Reserves

We have 3 active pits in the Main Ryan Shear. The North Pit, Hilltop Pit, and the South Pit. Since 1987 we have extracted 320,000 tons of ore that has averaged .11 ounces of gold per ton of ore (opt Au). We expect to mine to a depth of 200 feet from the original surface. Exploration to determine reserves to this depth has not been completed but this year's work indicates we should not have difficulty in maintaining a grade of .10 opt Au on heaps in the future. In addition, we are not mining in and have not yet explored the full length of the shear. In the past we have estimated 1,200,000 tons of

ore. So far in 1990, approximately 3,500 feet of trenching has been completed across the shear. 45 Vertical holes spotted at 50-foot intervals along the strike have been drilled through the shear at varying lengths to 120 feet. The following are some of the holes. The North Pit is in the area where most of the underground exploration in the past were carried out. The best grades in the shear zone are encountered here and it is here that Hole LN-2 returned a spectacular 4.256 opt Au over 60 feet. Also in this area it is reported 1,460 tons was mined underground running .43 opt Au and a trench in our last lift mined, ran 120' of .20 opt Au. The signficance of Hole LN-2 and the other information in the area remains to be determined but the presence of a high grade ore shoot is indicated.

Underground Exploration and Additional Open Pit Reserves
This consisted of a 3-stage program. The first 2 stages were near surface exploration of the intrusive that was found in the fall of 1989 to the southeast of the Main Ryan Shear. Work consisted of 15,000 feet of VLH-EM survey, 2,900 feet of trenching and 15 reverse circulation holes. As reported earlier, the intrusive is more massive and closer to the surface than expected and mineralized.

The third stage of the underground program was to drill a series of deep holes 1,000, 1,500 and 2,000 feet deep stepping back from the 65 degree dipping shear, to follow the Main Ryan Shear zone down to it's hoped-for contact with the intrusives. This is the first deep probe ever done at the Ryan Lode. The first three 1,000 foot holes are completed.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Ironstone Group Inc. (NASDAQ: IRON) today announced that the Texas Supreme Court has ruled in favor of its affiliate, American National Petroleum Co. (NASDAQ: ANPC) on its appeal from a lower court ruling in suit against Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corp. (Transco). ANPC is also announced that it has agreed to settle a securities lawsuit, which had been pending against the ANPC since 1985.

In 1986, ANPC filed suit against Transco, alleging that Transco has breached contracts to take certain volumes of gas and it tortiously interfered with other contractual relations with the ANPC. After a trial in 1987, ANPC received a judgment against Transco for approximately $4.7 million in actual damages, $16 million in exm?plary damages and $1 million in attorney's fees. In 1988, the Court of Appeals substantially reduced the actual damages award, deleted the exemplary damages award entirely, and remanded the amount of attorney's fees to the lower court for rehearing. The Texas Supreme Court reversed the Court of Appeals by finding that the procedures for the tortious

interference were sufficient and that there was evidence at the trial that would have supported the court's finding of damages for tortious interference. ANPC is at this time unable to determine the amount that may ultimately be recovered. ANPC, however, believes that the Texas Supreme Court's ruling may provide the basis to reinstate all or a portion of the $16 million award for exemplary damages.

The ANPC securities lawsuit stems from a 1985 action where the plaintiffs sued ANPC and other persons alleging misrepresentations in the sale of partnership interests in three oil and gas limited partnerships. The settlement, which is subject to court approval, provides for the purchasers of the limited partnership interests to be certified as a class and for the company to pay $500,000 in cash to the class members. The company will contribute to a new partnership, proved development and proved undeveloped oil and gas properties which an independent petroleum engineering firm has estimated to have future net revenues, discounted at 10 percent using escalated pricing, of $1,008,271. ANPC will take a $1,225,000 charge relating to the settlement in its third quarter earnings. The settlement, however, will not be finalized until early 1991.

Ironstone Group Inc., through its majority-owned subsidiaries, Iron- Oak Supply Corp., Tyler-Dawson Supply Division and American National Petroleum Co. is engaged in wholesale distribution of plumbing and mechanical supplies and equipment; pipe, valves and fittings, for the energy services business and in oil and gas exploration and production. Its common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol IRON.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Illinois Central Corporation (NASDAQ: ICRR) and its wholly-owned operating company, Illinois Central Railroad Company, today announced improved earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Operating income for the third quarter was $29.2 million compared to $25.4 million a year ago, and net income was $8.9 million compared to a net loss of $1.0 million in 1989. Income after preferred dividends was $8.3 million ($.37 per share) versus a loss of $3.4 million ($.18 per share) in 1989.

Revenues of $130.3 million were 3.6 percent greater than last year's. Gross freight revenue increased $4.1 million in the third quarter. A shift to higher revenue commodities, particularly chemicals (up 1.2 percent), offset the decline in grain and coal traffic (down 4.1 percent) from 1989 levels. The seasonal decline in revenue from the second quarter was 5.9 percent, compared to 6.3 percent in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, operating income was $101.9 million in 1990 and $53.9 million in 1989. Net income was $33.8 million ($1.43 per share) compared to $1.7 million last year. Revenues for the first nine months were $416.2 million, an increase of 2.2 percent from 1989's $407.2 million.

Earnings per share are based on the weighted average of common shares and common share equivalents outstanding during the period. Prior to July 27, the calculations give effect to preferred dividend requirements.

As of Oct. 1, the company had repaid $83 million of the debt incurred when the Illinois Central Railroad was acquired by the Prospect Group, Inc. The repayments reduced interest expense in the quarter to $18.1 million, compared to $27.5 million in the third period a year ago. Proceeds from the sale of non-operating properties and surplus rolling stock and cash from operations were used to make these debt repayments.

On July 27 the company exchanged all outstanding shares of preferred stock and accrued dividends thereon for 4.9 million shares of common stock, and on Aug. 21 the company's common stock began trading independently on the NASDAQ National market System under the symbol ICRR. At Sept. 30, Shearson Lehman Brothers held 28 percent and company management held 7 percent of the 23,744,117 shares outstanding.

Illinois Central Corporation's operating subsidiary operates a 2,900 freight railroad between the Great Lakes and the Gulf of Mexico.

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NORTHBROOK, IL. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of IMCERA Group, Inc. (NYSE: IMA) today declared a quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock, payable on Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 17, 1990.

The board also declared today the regular $1.00 per share quarterly dividend on IMCERA's 4 percent cumulative preferred stock, payable on Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 17, 1990.

IMCERA, formerly International Minerals & Chemical Corporation, has three businesses--Mallinckrodt Medical, Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals and Pitman-Moore. IMCERA also owns approximately 38 percent of the common stock of IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc.

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MIAMI (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Aero Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: AESM) today announced results for the first half and second quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

For the six-month period, sales were $16,667,553 compared with $19,323,962 for last year's period. Net loss for the period was $371,228 vs. a profit of $116,583 reported for the prior year's period, equal to ($.04) and $.01 per share, respectively.

For the second quarter, sales were $8,356,912 vs. $10,003,634 for last year's second quarter. Net loss for the quarter was $253,004 vs. a profit of $63,171 for the prior year's second quarter, equal to ($.03) and $.01 per share, respectively.

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NORWOOD, MA (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Microcom, Inc. (NASDAQ: MNPI) today reported financial results for the company's second quarter of fiscal year 1991.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $13,706,000 as compared to $17,768,000 for the second quarter of last year. Operating loss for the period was $6,337,000 vs. operating income of $3,727,000 in the comparable period one year ago. Net loss per share was 43 cents for the period, compared to net income per share of 30 cents for the second quarter of last year.

The operating loss for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 included a one time restructuring charge of approximately $2.5 million. This restructuring charge reflects costs attributable to the company's planned reduction of its worldwide workforce by approximately 15-20 percent and the consolidation and reorganization of the sales/marketing, general and administrative, research and development and manufacturing activities of the company.

Microcom, Inc., is a workstation connectivity company headquartered in Norwood Mass., with offices in Danbury, Conn.; Wilmington, Del.; Durham, N.C.; Caguas Puerto Rico, and international offices in France, Hong Kong, and the U.K. Principal product lines include Protocol Modems(tm); LAN bridging products; Carbon Copy(tm), RELAY Gold(R) and Virex(R) software packages; and ISDN products.

MICROCOM, INC.

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income

For the three and six months ended Sept. 30
(In thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$13,706	$17,768	$24,260	$34,780
Cost of sales	6,912	6,495	13,413	13,109
Gross margin	6,794	11,273	10,847	21,671
Operating expenses:				
Research and development	3,155	2,278	6,139	4,421
Sales and marketing	4,829	3,409	9,317	6,355
General & administrative	2,647	1,859	5,213	3,677
Restructuring costs	2,500	---	2,500	---
Total operating expenses	13,131	7,546	23,169	14,453
Income (loss) from operations	(6,337)	3,727	(12,322)	7,218
Interest income	107	165	244	302
Interest expense	(52)	(35)	(106)	(312)
Income (loss) before income taxes	(6,282)	3,857	(12,184)	7,208
Income taxes	(2,305)	950	(3,899)	1,771
Net income (loss)	$(3,977)	$2,907	$(8,285)	$5,437
Net income (loss) per share	$(.43)	$.30	$(.90)	$.59
Weighted average number of shares	9,191	9,842	9,240	9,333

NOTE: The following are trademarks of Microcom Systems, Inc.; Protocol Modems and Carbon Copy Plus. RELAY Gold and Virex are registered trademarks of Microcom Systems, Inc.

CONTACT: James M. Dow, president and CEO, 617-551-1369; or Peter J. Minihane, executive vice president and CFO, 617-551-1236, both of Microcom, Inc.

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MILPITAS, Calif. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Linear Technology Corp. (NASDAQ: LLTC), a leading, independent manufacturer of high-performance linear integrated circuits, today announced that net sales for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were a record $21,140,000, an increase of 19 percent over net sales of $17,811,000 for the first quarter of the previous year. The company also reported record net income for the quarter of $3,627,000 or $0.21 per share, an increase of 47 percent over $2,459,000 or $0.15 per share reported for the first quarter of last year.

According to Robert H. Swanson, president and CEO, "Despite the cautious external business environment, Linear Technology Corporation grew its business

and its profits. Our operating profit reached a record 23 percent of net sales. In this uncertain economy we will continue emphasizing both consistent financial performance and aggressive new product introductions and positioning.

Linear Technology Corporation was founded in 1981 as a manufacturer of high performance linear integrated circuits. Linear Technology products include operational, instrumentation and audio amplifiers; voltage regulators, references, comparators and converters; switched- capacitor filters; communications interface circuits; one-chip data acquisition systems; pulse-width modulators and sample-and-hold devices. Applications for Linear Technology's high performance circuits include lap top and desk top computers, computer peripherals, cellular telephones, electronic testers, industrial and medical electronic instruments, automotive controls, process controls, factory automation products, and avionics.

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#90289p5713 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Student Loan Marketing Association (Sallie Mae) (NYSE: SLM) today issued the following statement in response to news reports about allegations by disgruntled former employees of its Loan Servicing Center/Kansas.

The allegations of two former employees about improprieties at Sallie Mae's Loan Servicing Center/Kansas are totally without merit.

The plaintiffs are disgruntled former employees who initially sought a large cash settlement from Sallie Mae in exchange for not filing a RICO-based lawsuit. Their allegations are baseless and we rejected their overtures.

We believe the plaintiffs' complaint is nothing more than a garden-variety employee discharge case sensationalized with spurious charges of fraud. RICO claims are often used to generate publicity and exert settlement leverage. We intend to defend against it vigorously.

The corporation maintains a system of internal procedures to assure the integrity of our operations. The corporation has looked into the alleged improprieties, which relate to internal reporting practices, the manner in which the federal government was billed for interest payments on guaranteed student loans, and various employee-management issues. In every instance, the corporation's investigation has found the allegations to be without merit.

The FBI has been reported in the media as having undertaken an investigation of Sallie Mae's Loan Servicing Center/Kansas because of the alleged improprieties involving various federal statutes. The FBI has not contacted Sallie Mae in this regard.

Sallie Mae works closely with federal regulatory and investigative bodies. We are confident they will find that our operations in Kansas fully comply with all applicable laws.

CONTACT: Gisela Vallandigham, 202-298-3147, or Ross Kleinman, 202-298-3013, both of Sallie Mae

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#90289p5719 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - First Interstate Bancorp (NYSE: I) today reported third quarter net income of $155.4 million, or $2.39 per share. This compares to a loss of $15.5 million, or 57 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

The 1990 third quarter results include a $90.1 million pre-tax gain ($55.7 million after taxes based on statutory federal and state income tax rates) from the sale of the corporation's wholly owned consumer finance subsidiary, NOVA Financial Services.

"We continue to make solid progress in the way we do business," said Edward M. Carson, chairman and CEO. "Of course, we are not immune to the major pressures on the banking industry today. We began addressing the challenges of a slowing economy and diminished real estate values before many believed that these factors might affect the industry nationwide."

"Management has been implementing major changes designed to enhance First Interstate's ability to provide unsurpassed products and services while maintaining prudent controls over costs and operating practices. We believe this combination, reinforced by an unsurpassed level of liquidity which allows us to be independent of more expensive commercial paper funding, is a strategy for long-term success in an uncertain market environment," Carson said.

First Interstate Bank of Denver today reported a loss of $5 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared to net income of $2 million reported a year ago.

The bank's loss was the result of an increase in the provision for loan losses which now stands in excess of 100 percent of non-accrual loans and 3.41 percent of total loans.

James Curran, chairman and CEO, said that in adding the additional reserves for possible loan loss, the bank continues its conservative posture of recent months.

He noted that, "Although the Denver economy is growing slowly, many borrowers who have been able to manage through several tough years are finding they have few resources left. We are fortunate to have the financial strength to

address these loan problems in such an aggressive manner."

CONTACT: Donn Waage of First Interstate Bank of Denver, 303-293-5639

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#90289p5720 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. and the Dean Witter Financial Services Group announced that Sears' indirect wholly owned subsidiary, Discover Receivables Financing Group Inc., filed today with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement for the issuance and sale of $500 million of Discover Card Trust 1990 D Credit Account Pass-Through Certificates through an underwriting syndicate to be managed by Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co.

The principal asset of Discover Card Trust 1990 D will consist of credit card receivables generated or to be generated by the Discover Card. The certificates will represent undivided ownership interests in the trust.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

A copy of the prospectus, when available, may be obtained from Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., 2 World Trade Center, New York, N.Y. 10048 or Goldman, Sachs & Co., Prospectus department, 85 Broad Street, New York, N.Y. 10004.

CONTACT: Gerald E. Buldak of Sears Roebuck and Co., 312-875-8371

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#90289p5730 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES PLAINES, ILL. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - DeSoto, Inc. (NYSE: DSO) today issued a supplement to its proxy statement, dated Sept. 21, 1990, for the annual meeting of stockholders to be held on Wednesday, Oct. 24, 1990. Among other things, in the supplement DeSoto stated that if the budget agreement announced on Sept. 30 had become law, the secondary cash dividend would have been reduced from approximately $6.88 per share to approximately $4.97 per share. If the proposal made by the House Ways and Means Committee becomes law, the payout would be reduced to approximately $4.35 per share. The secondary dividend would be paid to stockholders in the summer of 1991 from the overfunded portions of the company's present pension plans.

The company cannot predict whether the final budget legislation will include any increase in the excise tax applicable to the reversion of the overfunding or whether such legislation will contain other provisions having the effect of preventing or reducing the company's ability to recover the overfunding. In the event of a substantial increase in the excise tax that cannot be reduced by transferring pension assets to fund other permitted corporate costs, the company may elect not to obtain a reversion of the overfunding.

The company also announced that DeSoto and Witco had extended to Nov. 5, 1990, the date after which either party could terminate the Surfactant Agreement. The original deadline date was Sept. 30, 1990. DeSoto and Witco have agreed with the FTC that the surfactants closing date will not occur before Oct. 31, 1990, however, the FTC has requested a further extension to Nov. 9, 1990.

In addition, DeSoto stated that all action by the committee on foreign investment in the United States had been concluded in connection with DeSoto's Exon-Florio filings.

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Finally, the company announced that it expects to be profitable for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, after reporting a net loss for the same period of 1989. Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, however, will be less than one-third of its net income for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, primarily due to seasonality of sales and non-recurring expenses.

CONTACT: William L. Lamey, Jr., V.P, Finance, of DeSoto Inc., 708-391-9020; or at the Financial Relations Board, Chicago; Dean Dranias, Chicago, 312-266-7800, or Kathleen Phelan, FRB, New York, 212-661-8030

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#90289p5733 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, Calif. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Plaza Commerce Bancorp (NASDAQ: PLZA), parent company of Plaza Bank of Commerce, announced a record net income of $2,475,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $2,250,000 for the third quarter of 1989, an increase of $225,000, or 10 percent. Earnings per share were $.36 in the third quarter of 1990, and $.32

for the like period in 1989.

Earnings of $6,905,000 were announced for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $6,260,000 for the like period of 1989, an increase of $645,000, or 10 percent. Earnings per share grew to $.99 for the nine month period in 1990, compared with $.89 for the like period in 1989.

Total assets reached $522 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $481 million at Sept. 30, 1989, an increase of 9 percent. Total loans were $416 million on Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $314 million on Sept. 30, 1989, a 32 percent increase. Total deposits increased to $447 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $438 million at Sept. 30, 1989, a 2 percent increase.

Plaza Commerce Bancorp common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System with the symbol PLZA. Plaza Bank of commerce, a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, is headquartered in downtown San Jose with regional offices in Sunnyvale, Calif. and Fremont, Calif.

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#90289p5735 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARK RIDGE, Ill. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Brand Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: BRAN) today reported third quarter net income of $3.8 million, up from $3.5 million in the same quarter of 1989. Earnings per share increased to $.19 per share, compared with $.18 per share in the year-ago period. Revenue increased to $91.2 million compared with $87.4 million in last year's July - September quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Brand earned $10.6 million, compared to $7.2 million earned the first nine months of last year. Earnings per share totaled $.52, up from $.38 in the nine-month period one year earlier. Revenue increased to $275.2 million, compared to $197.4 million achieved in the first nine months of 1989.

Earnings-per-share figures for all periods have been restated to reflect a two-for-one split in the form of a stock dividend distributed on July 9, 1990.

Brand's backlog at Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $175.5 million, of which $70.5 million is related to fixed price asbestos abatement projects. Included in the above backlog is Brand management's estimate of approximately $85.0 million of on-hand time and material work encompassing all of Brand's businesses.

On Oct. 2, 1990, Brand and Chemical Waste Management Inc. announced that Chemical Waste Management would exercise its option to increase its ownership

in Brand to 52.5 percent on a fully diluted basis by purchasing 2,601,272 shares of Brand's common stock for approximately $21 million in cash. Brand also announced that its board of directors had authorized the repurchase by the company of up to 1,000,000 shares of its common stock in the open market or in privately-negotiated transactions over the next 24-month period.

Brand and its subsidiaries are specialty contractors concentrating in such areas as asbestos abatement, technical services, manufacturing of high performance materials and new construction.

THE BRAND COMPANIES INC.
Consolidated Statements of Income
(Dollars in Thousands Except Per Share Data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$91,246	$87,431	$275,184	$197,432
COSTS AND EXPENSES:				
Cost of operations	$71,141	$71,284	$217,786	$160,356
Selling, general & administrative	13,081	10,493	38,091	25,584
Interest expense (income), net	695	103	1,625	155
Total	$84,917	$81,880	$257,502	$186,095
Income before income taxes	$6,329	$5,551	$17,682	$11,337
Provision for income taxes	2,532	2,098	7,073	4,174
Net income	$3,797	$3,453	$10,609	$7,163
Weighted average number of common shares and common shares equivalents (000's) (1)	20,453	18,842	20,493	18,688
Net income per common share (1)	$0.19	$0.18	$0.52	$0.38

(1) After giving effect to the 2-for-1 stock split in the form of a stock dividend declared in June 1990, and distributed in July 1990.

CONTACT: Harold W. Ingalls, CFO of The Brand Companies Inc., 708-298-1200

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#90289p5737 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. Paul, Minn. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Devices Inc. (MDI) (NASDAQ: MDEV) today reported net sales declined 8 percent to $1,336,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 30. Earnings for this period totaled $68,000 or 3 cents per share, down slightly from $78,000 or 4 cents per share

in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

MDI's first quarter results were attributable to a decline in order volume for TENS devices from a major national distributor. This customer generated significant business with MDI in last year's first half. However, MDI maintained its volume of ongoing TENS business with independent medical dealers, MDI's core customer base, in spite of intensely competitive conditions in this mature market.

Dean A. Enrooth, president and chief executive officer, said, MDI's new product line, electrotherapy devices, performed very well, reflecting the company's expansion into the growing electrotherapy device market. Sales of electrotherapy products rose to 49 percent of total first quarter sales from 19 percent a year ago. TENS devices declined to 27 percent of first quarter sales, while accessories amounted to 24 percent. Reflecting MDI's overall strategy, the contribution from electrotherapy devices, Enrooth added, should increase further during the balance of fiscal 1991.

Due to the shift in MDI's sales mix toward high-margin electrotherapy products MDI's gross margin rose to 52 percent in this year's first quarter, up substantially from 45 percent a year ago.

Since the company is still implementing new distribution strategies and expanding its electrotherapy sales team, Enrooth said MDI's second quarter results will not exceed last year's level. However, he said sales and earnings are expected to ramp up steadily in the second half, which should make fiscal 1991 a year of improved results for MDI.

Medical Devices is a leading designer and manufacturer of electrotherapy and TENS devices. The company's common stock is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol MDEV.

CONTACT: Dean A. Enrooth or Jeffrey P. Shields of Medical Devices Inc., 612-631-0590

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#90289p5740 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

RACINE, Wis. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Tenneco Inc. said today that its J I Case unit has promoted Gary L. Tessitore to executive vice president and general manager of the company's Agricultural Equipment Group.

Tessitore, previously senior vice president and chief financial officer, succeeds Michael A. Wolf, who resigned to pursue other opportunities. In making the announcement, James K. Ashford, Case president and chief executive officer, also noted the following promotions:

-- Richard L. Wambold, general manager of the company's

International Business Group, was promoted to executive vice president from senior vice president. In addition, Wambold was given responsibility for corporate planning and development and corporate information services. -- Edward H. McFadden was promoted to senior vice president and chief financial officer, succeeding Tessitore. McFadden had been vice president, finance. Tessitore, 45, joined Case in 1988 after 20 years of domestic and international business experience with Ford Motor Company's Tractor Operations including 3-1/2 years as controller of Ford's European Tractor Operations. Tessitore returned to the United States and held several management positions before being named vice president/controller of Ford New Holland Inc. in 1988. Tessitore earned a bachelor of science degree in economics from Villanova University and a master of business administration degree from the University of Maryland.

Wambold, 38, joined Case in 1988 as senior vice president and head of the company's International Business Group, responsible for the company's business activities in markets outside of North America and Europe. He joined Tenneco, Case's Houston-based parent company, in 1977, and after holding positions in corporate systems and planning, became vice president, corporate planning and development in January 1988. Wambold received a bachelor's degree and a master of business administration degree from the University of Texas.

McFadden, 47, came to Case in 1989 after 19 years with Ford Motor Co. At Ford McFadden held a number of management positions both in the U.S. and Europe including director, manufacturing and supply financial analysis for Ford New Holland Inc. in New Holland, Pa. McFadden holds a bachelor of science degree in economics and a master's degree in international economics from Penn State University.

Headquartered in Racine, Wis., Case is a leading worldwide maker of agricultural and construction equipment. Case is a subsidiary of Tenneco Inc. Houston.

Tenneco is a diversified industrial corporation with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, automotive parts, shipbuilding, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

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#90289p5745 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Texas Industries Inc. (NYSE: TXI) today declared a cash dividend of 5 cents per common share, payable Nov. 30, 1990 to holders of record Nov. 2, 1990.

Texas Industries, a FORTUNE 500 company, produces steel, cement/concrete

products and develops real estate.

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#90289p5752 10/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

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MOSCOW (OCT. 16) TASS -

PREPARE A SLEDGE IN THE SUMMER AND A CART IN THE WINTER, AS THE RUSSIAN SAYING GOES. THE SPONSORS OF THE RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMMODITY EXCHANGE IN MOSCOW HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN THIS TRUISM, KONSTANTIN BOROVOI, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE BUSINESS AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION, ONE OF THE SPONSORS, TOLD TASS ON MONDAY.

RUSSIA'S FIRST COMMODITY EXCHANGE OPENED IN ST. PETERSBURG IN 1703. THERE WERE ALREADY 115 COMMODITY AND STOCK EXCHANGES IN RUSSIA BY THE BEGINNING OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR BUT THE ST.PETERSBURG EXCHANGE ACCOUNTED FOR THE BULK OF THEIR TURNOVER.

DEALS INVOLVING SECURITIES WERE BANNED AFTER THE 1917 REVOLUTION, HOWEVER COMMODITY EXCHANGES EXISTED UNTIL 1930 AS AGENCIES FOR THE STATE REGULATION OF THE MARKET UNDER A MULTI-MODE ECONOMY.

NOW THAT RUSSIA "IS RETURNING TO ITS OWN CIRCUITS", THE NEED RESURFACES FOR A COMMODITY EXCHANGE AS AN INDISPENSABLE ELEMENT OF THE MARKET INFRASTRUCTURE.

THIS IS WHY THE ASSOCIATION, THE POLYTECHNICAL MUSEUM, THE "SYSTEM PLUS PROGRAMME" COOPERATIVE AND THE "CENTROCREDIT SKV" COMMERCIAL BANK AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS SIGNED A TREATY IN AUGUST TO ESTABLISH A "MOSKOVSKAYA COMMODITY AND RAW MATERIAL EXCHANGE". ITS FOUNDING MEETING IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD HERE ON TUESDAY.

AMONG THE FOUNDERS ARE THE USSR STATE COMMITTEE FOR MATERIAL AND TECHNICAL SUPPLY, SUBDIVISIONS OF THE USSR STATE PLANNING COMMITTEE AND THE USSR STATE COMMITTEE FOR PRICES.

THE PRICE OF ONE SHARE IS 100,000 ROUBLES. UPON BUYING SHARES, FOUR PERSONS WISHED TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS AND ONE CALLED HIMSELF A BUSINESSMAN FROM MADRID.

THE JOINT STOCK COMPANY, WITH A CHARTER FUND OF 33.3 MILLION ROUBLES, HAS SO FAR ISSUED 300 ORDINARY INSCRIBED SHARES AND 33 PRIVILEGED BEARER SHARES. AT THE BEGINNING OF OCTOBER, MORE THAN 200 ORDINARY INSCRIBED SHARES AND 20 PRIVILEGED BEARER SHARES WERE SIGNED.

AT FIRST THE SPONSORS OF THE COMMODITY EXCHANGE CONSIDERED IT A RUSSIAN INSTITUTION. HOWEVER, SHARES HAVE BEEN BOUGHT BY ORGANISATIONS AND ENTERPRISES FROM UNION REPUBLICS, SUCH AS, FOR EXAMPLE, THE TADZHIK REPUBLIC'S UNION OF LEASEHOLDERS AND ENTREPRENEURS, LITHUANIA'S KIROV COLLECTIVE FARM, AND THE KOMEL JOINT STOCK COMPANY FROM ESTONIA. THIS UNION APPEAL PROMPTED THE SPONSORS TO NAME THE COMMODITY EXCHANGE "MOSKOVSKAYA", WHICH DOES NOT MEAN THAT IT HAS ONLY LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE, BOROVOI SAID.

THE COMMODITY EXCHANGE WILL BECOME A CENTRAL ONE AND, MOST LIKELY, WILL BE HOUSED IN THE POLYTECHNICAL MUSEUM BUILDING, AS WAS THE CASE IN THE 1920S.

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#90289u0102 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 16) UPI - Japan took a major step toward committing troops to the multinational forces in the Persian Gulf region Tuesday when the government unveiled its long-awaited United Nations Peace Cooperation bill.

The bill, which would authorize the dispatch of Japanese troops on peacekeeping missions overseas for the first time since World War II, was approved Tuesday morning by the Cabinet of Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu.

The bill limits the use of troops to non-combat roles in international peacekeeping efforts initiated by the United Nations, according to a digest distributed by the Kyodo News Service.

Members of Japan's Self-Defense Forces, as the armed forces are known, will be authorized by the legislation to carry small arms to protect themselves or the lives of others, Kyodo said.

The bill was to be introduced later in the day in the Japanese Parliament, where the troop proposal is expected to face stiff opposition.

But a confident-looking Kaifu remarked that the parliamentary session was destined to set a new direction for Japan.

The assignment of troops overseas is highly controversial in Japan, where memories of a disastrous military past linger. The nation's post- war constitution, drafted by the United States, renounces war and commits Japan never to use force or the threat of force in settling international disputes.

However, Japanese leaders have come under intense pressure from the United States and other allies to contribute more than money to the multinational effort to oust Iraqi invasion forces from oil-rich Kuwait.

Kaifu has said all along that he wants Japan to contribute ''sweat'' in addition to the $4 billion his nation has pledged. But crafting a bill

acceptable to Japanese politicians and bureaucrats as well as allied countries has proven a formidable task.

The bill endorsed by the Cabinet Tuesday represents a victory for those seeking a more active role for Japan, analysts said. Earlier versions had contemplated a civilian corps in which only unarmed soldiers on leave from their units would be allowed to join.

However, leading opposition parties, which control the upper chamber of Parliament, have already declared the idea of sending troops overseas completely unacceptable.

Takako Doi, the leader of the Japan Socialists, largest among the opposition parties, was expected to open the attack on Kaifu's bill when questioning began Tuesday afternoon.

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#90289u0116 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (OCT. 16) UPI - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said the United Nations has no role to play in investigating the killing of at least 20 Palestinians during riots on the Temple Mount because Jerusalem is not occupied territory.

Also Monday, British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd arrived for a four-day visit. Hurd, who plans to meet Israeli officials and prominent Palestinians, did not make a statement after his plane landed outside Tel Aviv.

Recently, Hurd has sharply criticized Israeli policy in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

In an address to Parliament as it began its winter session, Shamir described the U.N. Security Council resolution condemning Israel as ''a biased decision.'' The resolution denounced ''acts of violence'' by Israeli security forces and called for a U.N. mission to investigate the disturbances on the Temple Mount.

Shamir said the United Nations has no business conducting an investigation in Jerusalem because it is occupied territory.

''It is the sovereign capital of the state of Israel,'' he said. ''Therefore, there is no place for any involvement of the United Nations in any issue related to Jerusalem.''

The Cabinet voted unanimously Sunday to reject U.N. Resolution 672 and not to cooperate with the three-member U.N. mission, a move likely to strain relations with Israel's main ally, the United States. Israel fears the U.N. mission will undermine its claim to sovereignty over the holy city.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker wrote to Foreign Minister David Levy, telling him that cooperation with the U.N. delegation would return world attention to the Gulf crisis, the Hebrew newspaper Ha'aretz reported.

In Washington, President Bush refused to comment directly on the Israeli rejection of the U.N. resolution.

''We want to see that U.N. resolution fully implemented. We were a part of it and we think it's the right step. So I'll just leave it there,'' he said.

The State Department said the administration was ''disappointed that the Israeli government has decided not to cooperate with the (U.N.) mission.''

''In fact, we think that a failure to cooperate denies Israel an opportunity to present its case to the secretary-general. We are hopeful that the secretary-general's representative will be able to carry out his mission as requested by the Security Council in Resolution 672,'' department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said.

The U.N. mission, appointed by U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, was to examine the circumstances of the Oct. 8 riots on the Temple Mount during which at least 20 Palestinians were killed by Israeli police.

Shamir said he regretted the loss of life but charged the casualties were the result of ''an unprecedented criminal act,'' the stoning of Jewish worshipers by Moslem demonstrators during the riots.

''The act should have awakened reactions of denunciation and protest among the entire international community,'' he said.

Palestinians said the disturbances were not planned in advance and the stoning was in response to excessive force employed by the police. Palestinians at the scene as well as two human rights groups have accused police of firing indiscriminately at Moslems on the Temple Mount, the third holiest Islamic site.

It is still not clear what initiated the violence. Israel captured the eastern half of Jerusalem in 1967.

The Israeli rejection of the U.N. mission is not without precedent. In 1979, Israel prevented a three-member U.N. delegation from entering Israel. The Security Council had ordered the delegation to investigate Jewish settlements in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Most nations, including the United States, consider Arab East Jerusalem, which comprises the Old City and the Temple Mount, occupied territory.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - A senior Iraqi official said war is imminent in the Persian Gulf region and brushed aside a British warning that Iraq's troops would be pushed out of Kuwait at gunpoint if they are not withdrawn voluntarily.

Baghdad Radio on Monday quoted Iraqi Information Minister Latif Nassif Jassim as saying, ''I believe war in the gulf continues to be imminent, but Iraq will not fire the first shot. We expect war at any moment and are ready to fight against the Americans and those who come with them.''

He said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's government does not fear statements by British Foreign Minister Douglas Hurd, who said in Cairo Sunday that Saddam ''will withdraw ... by his own will or by the point of a gun.''

''We are not afraid of war, and we are not afraid of Hurd's statements,'' Jassim said. ''(Hurd) makes such statements because he is not going to fight personally. ... Other Britons, Americans and other nationals will die in this war.''

Meanwhile, world oil prices plunged nearly $2 a barrel as talk of compromise turned traders' expectations away from war and toward a peaceful solution of the Persian Gulf crisis. On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate for November delivery dropped $1.74 on the day from Friday's close to $37.95 a barrel, after being down as much as $2.44 a barrel.

Also Monday, Kuwaiti exiles unanimously adopted a communique demanding return of their nation from Iraqi occupiers and declaring expanded democratic freedoms for the post-liberation Kuwait.

The crown prince, Sheikh Saad al-Sabah, declared the three-day session in Saudi Arabia historic in terms of steps it takes toward his land's future.

President Bush, during a political trip to Texas, decried Iraqi atrocities in Kuwait as ''Hitler revisited'' and raised the prospect of holding Saddam accountable for Nuremberg-style war crimes, a legal option under review by the Justice Department.

Bush cited eyewitness accounts of ''the ghastly atrocities perpetrated by Saddam's forces'' and decried ''the systematic assault on the soul of a nation.''

''Hitler revisited,'' he said. ''But remember, when Hitler's war ended, there were the Nuremberg trials. America will not stand aside. The world will not allow the strong to swallow up the weak.''

Deputy White House press secretary Steve Hart said Bush was ''letting Saddam

know he's going to be held accountable for Kuwait.'' The war crimes issue is ''under review,'' he said, ''and no decisions have been made.''

Saddam rejected indications he may compromise over his 2-month-old occupation of Kuwait. The Soviet Novosti news agency quoted a senior Kremlin official who visited Baghdad as saying Iraqi leaders are considering a plan to withdraw from the oil-rich emirate.

Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat, who met with Saddam Sunday, was quoted as saying after the meeting that he thought Iraq is in a ''conciliatory mood'' but gave no further details.

U.N. sanctions are hurting Iraq's industry and depriving it of food, Jassim admitted, but the embargo ''will not force Iraqis into submission.''

Iraqi Deputy Premier Sadoun Hammadi said in a weekend interview that sanctions would cause hardship but Baghdad would try to overcome the blockade through ''self-reliance and (an) increase in agricultural production.''

While Iraq officially dismissed reports it is weakening in the face on international opposition, Iraqi envoys tried to muster Arab and Moslem support for Baghdad's lonely cause in Kuwait.

Iraqi envoys held weekend talks in Libya, Tunisia and Jordan in what Arab and Western diplomats said was an attempt by Saddam to gain support by appearing as a champion of the Palestinian cause.

But most Arab leaders, while decrying last week's killing of 20 Palestinians in Jerusalem by Israeli forces, oppose Iraq's occupation of Kuwait.

In other developments Monday:

-Defense Secretary Dick Cheney told the British Broadcasting Corp. in London that there were more than 200,000 allied troops in Saudi Arabia and said he expects an increase in the number of Arab troops in the kingdom. Cheney told Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher that American troops could stay in Saudi Arabia ''for years'' if it was necessary to expel Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

-Japan reversed its stand against assigning troops to peacekeeping forces, perhaps allowing for a non-combat role in the gulf.

-The Washington Post reported Saudi Arabia has discovered vast new deposits of high-quality crude oil in that may boost its reserves by 20 percent.

-The official Iraqi news agency said 15 Spanish hostages left Baghdad Monday for home after the intervention of a Spanish lawmaker.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

WORLD SERIES
Game 1 - Oakland at Cincinnati, 8:32 p.m.

HOCKEY

Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Hartford at Quebec, 7:35 p.m.
Winnipeg at NY Islanders, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Edmonton, 9:35

TENNIS

Filderstadt, Germany - $350,000 women's Porsche Grand Prix
Grand Prix de Lyon, France - $500,000 men's tournament
Vienna - $250,000 men's indoor tournament

YACHTING

Argentina - Lechner Class World Championships.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - The shuttle Discovery is expected to land at Florida's Kennedy Space Center early Tuesday after a two-day cross-country flight from California... bolted atop a NASA 747 jumbo jet. Discovery glided to a smooth landing at Edwards Air Force Base in California last Wednesday to close out a successful four-day mission. The ship is scheduled to blast off again in February.

Officials at a small zoo in West Hartford, Connecticut, say two baby cougars seized from New York Yankees outfielder Mel Hall are thriving and are a hit with staff and visiting children. A spokesman says ''it's like having a kitten''... although he admits the cougars play with tires rather than string. It's illegal to keep cougars in Connecticut. Hall faces up to four hundred dollars in fines and 60 days in jail if convicted.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	4	1	0	.800	130	99	2-1	W-3
Miami	4	1	0	.800	108	73	3-0	W-2
Indianapolis	2	3	0	.400	81	108	0-2	W-2
New York Jets	2	4	0	.333	107	148	1-2	L-2
New England	1	4	0	.200	80	152	1-2	L-3

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	4	2	0	.667	154	153	0-1	L-1
Houston	3	3	0	.500	146	125	1-1	W-1
Pittsburgh	3	3	0	.500	82	102	1-1	W-1
Cleveland	2	4	0	.333	98	139	1-0	L-1

WEST

LA Raiders	5	1	0	.833	123	93	3-0	W-1
Kansas City	4	2	0	.667	160	95	0-1	W-1
Denver	2	4	0	.333	141	161	2-1	L-2
Seattle	2	4	0	.333	125	128	0-3	L-1
San Diego	2	4	0	.200	114	108	0-0	W-1

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	5	0	0	1.000	130	67	4-0	W-5
Washington	3	2	0	.600	121	75	3-1	L-1
Phoenix	2	3	0	.400	60	121	2-2	W-1
Philadelphia	2	3	0	.400	123	119	0-2	W-1
Dallas	2	4	0	.333	73	122	0-4	L-1

CENTRAL

Chicago	5	1	0	.833	142	75	4-0	W-2
Tampa Bay	4	2	0	.667	134	124	4-0	W-1
Green Bay	2	3	0	.333	103	146	1-3	L-2
Detroit	2	4	0	.333	141	169	1-3	L-1
Minnesota	1	5	0	.167	140	135	0-3	L-4

WEST

San Francisco	5	0	0	1.000	127	94	3-0	W-5
Atlanta	2	3	0	.400	137	139	1-2	L-1
New Orleans	2	3	0	.400	95	100	0-2	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	1	4	0	.200	120	149	0-0	L-3

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(OCT. 16) UPI - MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL SCORING SUMMARY:

Minnesota	7	14	0	3--24
Philadelphia	9	0	6	17--32

FIRST QUARTER
Phil-FG Ruzek 38, 2:48
Phil-Williams 19 pass from Cunningham (kick failed), 8:14
Minn-C. Carter 42 pass from Gannon (Ingwebuike kick), 9:38

SECOND QUARTER
Minn-Fenney 1 run (Ingwebuike kick), 7:46
Minn-C. Carter 78 pass from Gannon (Ingwebuike kick), 12:15

THIRD QUARTER
Phil-FG Ruzek 30, 6:13
Phil-FG Ruzek 29, 8:03

FOURTH QUARTER
Minn-FG Ingwebuike 33, 0:09
Phil-Barnett 40 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick), 11:00
Phil-Toney 6 run (Ruzek kick), 11:59
Phil-FG Ruzek 19, 13:07

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	Minn	Phil
First downs	12	16
Rushes-yards	20--34	34--128
Passing yards	239	219
Sacked-yards lost	5--31	5--43
3rd down eff.	4--14--29.0	5--17--29.0
4th down eff.	0--1--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	18--35--2	17--34--1
Punts	6--41.7	7--40.0
Punt returns-yds	1--1	3--13
KO returns-yds	7--121	5--77
Fumbles-lost	6--4	3--1
Penalties-yards	6--54	13--105
Time of possessin	24:33	35:27

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-Minnesota-Gannon 5-18, Fenney 11-15, Walker 3-3, C. Carter 1-(-2).
Philadelphia-Cunningham 13-90, Toney 17- 38, Sherman 1-0, Byars 3-0.

PASSING-Minnesota-Gannon 18-35-2-270. Philadelphia-Cunningham 17-34-1-262.

RECEIVING-Minnesota-C. Carter 6-151, Jordan 4-46, Jones 3-37, Walker 2-25, Fenney 2-6, Rice 1-5. Philadelphia-Byars 8-89, Barnett 4-114, Quick 2-25, Williams 1-19, Kth. Jackson 1-14, Toney 1-1.

SACKS-Minnesota-Doleman 2-20, Strauthers 2-14, Clarke 1-9. Philadelphia-Small 2-10, Frizzell 1-9, White 1-5, Joyner 1-7.

INTERCEPTIONS-Minnesota- Merriweather 1-17. Philadelphia-Frizzell 1-37, Hopkins 1-3.

Missed field goals: none.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 16) UPI - Turnovers, which were the key to Philadelphia's success last year, may have enabled the Eagles to save their 1990 season.

Trailing Minnesota and in danger of falling to 1-4 for the first time in Coach Buddy Ryan's five-year tenure, the Eagles scored 17 points in the final four minutes Monday and defeated the Vikings 32-24.

Ten of those points came off Minnesota turnovers and the Eagles recorded a total of six takeaways in the game, as many as they had managed in the first four contests of the season.

''We got six turnovers,'' quarterback Randall Cunningham said. ''It was like the defense of old. We've just got to have faith. Sooner or later, you're going to come back. I knew eventually that some luck was going to come our way.''

The Eagles led the NFL with a plus-24 turnover ratio in going to the playoffs for the second straight time last season but entered the Minnesota game with a minus-four mark this year.

''It shows you it's a team game,'' Ryan said. ''It was an exciting game, a great game to win. We were running out of time. It was time to start winning and I'll take anything I can get.''

The game was a sloppily played affair as the two teams were penalized 19 times (13 against the Vikings) and combined for a total of eight turnovers.

Momentum also swung rapidly, as the Eagles, 2-3, jumped out to an early 9-0 lead, fell behind 21-9 and then rallied to hand the Vikings, 1-5, their fourth straight loss.

''We just blew it,'' Minnesota Coach Jerry Burns said.

Minnesota's first turnover, a fumble recovered by Reggie White at the Vikings' 22, led to Roger Ruzek's 38-yard field goal and a 3-0 Philadelphia lead just 2:48 into the game.

The Eagles went ahead 9-0 on Cunningham's 19-yard touchdown pass to Calvin Williams but a bad snap foiled the point-after try.

Vikings quarterback Rich Gannon, a Philadelphia native, seemed to settle down after a shaky start and he brought Minnesota within 9-7 with a 42-yard scoring strike to Cris Carter, a former Eagle.

Rick Fenney ran 1 yard for a 14-9 Minnesota lead with 7:14 to play in the second quarter before Gannon connected again with Carter, this time on a 78-yard scoring play that put the Vikings up 21-9.

The Eagles closed within 21-15 on third-quarter field goals of 30 and 29 yards by Ruzek, the second coming after Herschel Walker fumbled the kickoff.

Minnesota took advantage of a Philadelphia turnover - a muffed punt by Marvin Hargrove - to go ahead 24-15 on a 33-yard field goal by Donald Ingwebuike.

The Eagles were lucky when Cunningham found Fred Barnett for a 40- yard touchdown with four minutes to play that cut the Vikings' lead to 24-22. The ball was tipped by Minnesota's Michael Brim, went off Williams' hands and was grabbed in mid-air by Barnett.

''Randall was trying to hit Calvin between two safeties,'' Barnett said. ''Luckily, I was there to catch the deflection. At that point, everything seemed to go our way. It shows you what can happen if you play as a team and don't give up.''

Two plays later, Gannon was hit by Seth Joyner and fumbled the ball, which was returned to the Minnesota 6 by Clyde Simmons. Anthony Toney scored on the next play and the Eagles led 29-24 with 3:01 to go.

''We're out there working had but the breaks just aren't going our way,'' Gannon said. ''When you get up on somebody you've got to stomp them. It's just the way the season is going.''

Ruzek kicked a 19-yard field goal with 1:53 to play for the final margin after William Frizzell intercepted a Gannon pass and returned it 37 yards to the Vikings' 5.

''We came up with some key turnovers and we got them at the right time,'' Frizzell said.

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SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (OCT. 16) UPI - Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon arrived in the North Korean capital of Pyongyang Tuesday for the seond round of talks with his Northern counterpart, Yon Hyong-muk, on how to improve mutual relations and end the the 45-year-old division of Korea.

Accompanied by six other delegates, 33 support personnel and a 50- member official press corps, Kang arrived in Pyongyang at about 1:20 p.m. on the first-ever trip to North Korea by a South Korean prime minister.

On his arrival, Kang said it is deplorable and frustrating that only South and North Korea are left split while other divided nations of the world are united but the meetings were a positive step toward reunification.

''Differences in ideology and system between the two parts of Korea must no longer form a barrier dividing the people. The first thing to do to demolish the barrier of national division and become one as soon as possible is to restore Korean ethnic community,'' he said.

''Now is the time for us to promote national unity and harmony hand in hand and run along the highway to peace and unification, instead of hanging on to the past and blaming others,'' Kang said.

The Pyongyang talks are the second round of unprecedented meetings between Korean prime ministers that opened in Seoul, Sept. 4, in pursuit of rapprochement of the two Koreas divided at the end of World War II.

''Only the renunciation of hostile attitudes against the other will guarantee peace and lead to early unification (of the two Koreas),'' Kang said in his arrival statement.

In Seoul, Kang had proposed an eight-point basic agreement for improved relations between the South and the North under which both sides will recognize and respect each other's political and social systems pending reunfication.

North Korea, on the other hand, had three specific demands it said must be met to help the high-level talks progress. It asked South Korea to stop annual joint military exercises with the United States, not enter the United Nations alone, and free those jailed for unauthorized visits to North Korea.

Seoul did not accept the demands and officials said there was no change of policy. But Kang may offer some practical ways of realizing economic cooperation and exchanges between people in both countries.

Shortly after Kang's delegation crossed the border at Panmunjom, the North

Korean Red Cross Society sent a telephone message to its South Korean counterpart proposing a working-level contact on Nov. 15 to help dispersed family members living in the two Koreas.

The proposal was made by Li Song-ho, acting president of the North Korean Red Cross, to Seoul Red Cross President Kim Sang-hyup, officials said.

Li's offer was in response to an earlier Southern proposal for revival of South-North Korea Red Cross talks to exchange hometown visitors, and help severed family members hear from each other and reunite eventually.

Last November, the two sides were near agreement to have 350 visitors and 150 performing artists from each side cross the border for a four- day visit.

The proposed exchange failed to materialize when North Korea insisted to have its visiting troupe perform a musical eulogizing North Korea's communist revolution and South Korea rejected the plan.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International: .

The Japanese government is introducing a bill today to send troops to the U-N peace-keeping force in the United Nations. Strong opposition is expected in the Japanese parliament. Japan's constitution commits Japan NOT to use force in settling international disputes. But Japan has been criticized for not doing more in the Persian Gulf crisis.

President Bush says he and congressional Republicans favor a budget plan agreed on by a Senate committee over one made by House Democrats. Bush says the Senate proposal holds the line on income tax rates. Congress has a deadline to pass a budget bill by Friday when a temporary funding bill expires.

The Cairo newspaper Al Ahrar says more than 300 Arab men have been arrested in recent days because they resembled the gunmen who killed the speaker of the Egyptian parliament. Some, including an American, were released after questioning. Despite the arrests, security sources say the killers probably are still free.

Space agency engineers will pump rocket fuel aboard the shuttle Atlantis next week to test whether it is leak free. It was grounded by a leak in July. If the leak has been fixed, Atlantis is to be launched around November 10th on a military flight. The exact launch time will not be announced until about nine minutes before liftoff.

A guilty verdict was returned yesterday against John Joubert who was tried in

Portland, Maine, for the stabbing death of an 11-year-old boy. Joubert also has been convicted in Nebraska of killing two boys and has been sentenced to death in the electric chair. He faces a life sentence in the Maine case.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - Nadia Comaneci, the Olympic gymnast, says the man who helped her flee from Romania last year beat her and locked her in hotel rooms. She said he cheated her out of 150-thousand dollars. She once said he was her lover, but now says she wants nothing to do with him. Comaneci plans to become a Canadian citizen.

Search planes for a fourth day flew over Arctic ice north of Alaska yesterday looking for two biologists and their pilot. They disappeared Thursday while surveying polar bears and their cubs. A federal wildlife official said- ''As every day goes by, it's grimmer.''

An airline group says the industry is in trouble because of higher fuel costs and the decline in the economy. The Air Transport Association of America says airlines have laid off 10-thousand workers. For the fourth quarter, the industry expects a combined loss of one-BILLION dollars.

A passengers' dispute and a bomb threat forced a Delta Air Lines plane to make an unscheduled landing last night at O'Hare Airport in Chicago. The crew radioed that passengers were ''acting erratically.'' 10 minutes later the bomb threat was reported. The plane landed safely. Two passengers were held for questioning.

A Philippines man who made firecrackers at home was killed today when he got drunk and set off an explosion by tossing a match into his chemicals. Four other people died in the blast near Manila. Police say the explosion set off a fire that burned 29 houses.

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DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 16) UPI - Hundreds of Zulu coal miners attacked Xhosa workers at coal mine hostel in Natal province, killing 10 and wounding 48 in factional fighting that police said Tuesday appeared to have been spontaneous.

Brig. Fritz Brand, regional chief of operations, said the clash erupted around 10:30 p.m. Monday at the black worker dwellings at the Hlobane colliery about 16 miles outside the northern Natal province town of Vryheid.

All injured and dead were identified as Xhosas and Brand said they suffered stab wounds.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 16) UPI - Boris Yeltsin, the Russian republic leader injured in an auto accident last month, was ordered to stay home Tuesday by his doctors after a brief appearance in parliament, Soviet television said.

Yeltsin returned to work Friday after a three-week recuperation from the car accident. He worked for five hours Monday but was obviously tired, and his doctors advised further rest, the television said.

''His condition worsened to a certain extent,'' the ''Vremya'' news program said.

Yeltsin's car was hit on Gorky Street on Sept. 21, fueling the usual Moscow rumor mill about an intentional attempt to hurt the popular Russian leader. An independent commission probing the accident so far has found no truth to the rumors.

Yeltsin's absence is untimely this week because the Soviet Parliament is nearing a decision about a market transition plan based on his 500- day blueprint.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - A strong tremor measuring 5.5 degrees on the open-ended Ricther Scale jolted the Iranian town of Tabas and nearby areas Monday, Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency reported.

The geophysics institute of Tehran University registered the location of the quake as 373 miles southeast of Tehran, according to the IRNA report monitored in Washington. There were no immediate reports of casualties or damage from the quake, which struck about 10:38 p.m.

Earlier this year, a very strong earthquake devastated a large area in northerwestern Iran.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - Farmers, cushioned during the recession of the 1980s by the most expensive farm bill ever, will see a huge cut in federal subsidies under a package approved Tuesday but, in exchange, will get more freedom to try to make a profit on their own.

The package - the final version of the new farm policy bill - also proposes

significant steps to prevent farm chemicals from contaminating water supplies. Environmentalists were disappointed by the last-minute loss of the ''circle of poison'' proposal to ban the export of pesticides not allowed for use by U.S. farmers.

Overall, the bill would cut $13.6 billion out of the cost of the farm program for the next five years, cutting the size of program by 25 percent. The cuts were mandated as part of the congressional budget agreement.

''It's one of those that you cross your fingers and (hope) that giving them more flexibility gives them more than they would have gotten'' from the government, said House Agriculture Commmittee Chairman Kika de la Garza, D-Texas.

House and Senate negotiators approved the compromise version of the bill at 3:43 a.m. Tuesday, ending a meeting that started more than 13 hours earlier. In the final session, lawmakers heavily revised the flexibility portions of the bill.

Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy called the bill ''the most environmentally progressive farm bill ever,'' despite its origin in two of the most conservative committees in Congress.

The bill calls for immediate adoption of the so-called triple base plan, which would make 15 percent of a farmer's cropland ineligible for subsidies but allows farmers to grow a wide variety of crops on it.

In addition, there would be a voluntary ''planting flexibility'' program, available on 10 percent of the cropland, with a similar goal of letting farmers look for money-making crops without jeopardizing eligibility for subsidies in the future.

The 1985 farm law, which expires this fall, spent about $78 billion on farm subsidies, including a record $25.8 billion in 1986. The new bill was designed to spend about $41 billion in five years.

''On balance, it's a good bill, a signable bill,'' said Agriculture Undersecretary Richard Crowder. ''We got flexibililty. It (the bill) does not take us as far along the road as we wanted, but it's a good start.''

During the summer, the Bush administration threatened to veto the bill unless costs were cut substantially and several policy ideas changed. It won some of its desires on policy - crop loan rates would rise only a few cents and the cost of the dairy program will be trimmed by $2 billion, for instance.

When lawmakers began writing the farm bill last winter, they hoped to raise crop subsidy rates or at least hold on to what they had. In the end, target prices - a key factor in calculating subsidies - were frozen for wheat, feed

grains, cotton and rice but less land will be eligible for subsidies.

One of the few initiatives on crop supports in the bill is a proposal for a marketing loan to encourage production of soybeans and other oilseeds.

For many weeks, House leaders made it clear triple base was their top choice for making budget cuts. Senate leaders came out in support of the plan late last week, joining with the House to suggest adoption of triple base in 1992.

However, farm bill negotiators decided to begin triple base in 1991. They said that would save enough money - about $6 billion overall - they could delay until 1994 a distasteful part of the budget package. That would be a switch to a 12-month average price in calculating subsidy payments, rather than the current five-month average, which is a lower price.

The House and Senate endorsed a 25 percent planting flexibility plan last summer. Conferees reduced flexibility to 10 percent, partly due to concern about the impact that would follow the lifting of government rules on a large amount of crop land.

A common assumption was that flexibility would lead to larger soybean crops since farmers will have less chance to collect subsidies on wheat or feed grains.

''The fact is, no one knows (what will happen),'' said Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind. ''It probably will be dictated by relative prices.''

Along with adoption of triple base, farm spending would be reduced by 1 percent assessments on peanuts, tobacco, sugar and honey. A hefty assessment - 5 cents per 100 pounds of milk in 1991 and 11 cents in following years - would be charged against dairy producers. All of the budget steps were aimed at spreading the pain of the cuts.

For that reason, negotiators included a 2 percent loan origination fee, which would raise $300 million, while also reducing the proposed soybean marketing loan to $5.02 a bushel to prevent the program from costing anything. The House proposed a $5.25 loan and the Senate $5.50.

The 1985 farm law was the first to link farm program and environmental goals. The farm bill would expand on that by strengthening the ''swampbuster'' program that protects wetlands from conversion to farmland, creating a 1-million acre wetlands reserve and offering a water quality initiative program that would help defray the cost for farmers to alter farming practices on up to 10 million acres of sensitive land.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - Senate and House negotiators worked out a compromise on part of the farm bill this morning. Under the deal, farmers would face tighter and lower limits on the amount of money they can collect in crop payments. The deal would limit farmers to receiving a maximum of a quarter-Million dollars in crop subsidies and other forms of farm payments- whether received directly or through affiliated business operations. The current limit is half-a-Million dollars.

Farm-state negotiators also agreed to delay until 1994 using the 12- month average price to calculate deficiency payments. The five-month average is now used for most crops.

A 268-BILLION-dollar defense spending bil passed the Senate. But the defense appropriations bill for this fiscal year is NOT ready to go to President Bush yet. The Senate version passed yesterday and an earlier House-passed version must be reconciled. One difference is over the B-2 Stealth bomber. The Senate bill contains money for it. But the House bill does NOT. A conference committee will have to work it out.

Yet another deficit-reduction measure is in the wings. House Republicans have put together their own plan to reduce the nation's deficit. But they have NOT said whether they will offer it as an alternative to proposals already put on the table by House Democrats and Senate Republicans. NONE of the three proposals appears to have enough votes to pass Congress.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - Hundreds of American civilians who became ill because of radiation will get money from the federal government. President Bush signed the measure yesterday. A 100-Million-dollar trust fund will be set up. The money will go to people who developed cancer and other ailments because of exposure to fallout from open-air atomic weapons tests in Nevada... or radioactive dust they inhaled while mining uranium for nuclear bombs.

A new spell of black-on-black violence broke out today in South Africa. 10 are dead and 48 others wounded. Police say hundreds of Zulu coal miners attacked workers at a coal mine hostel in Natal province. Police say all of the victims were stabbed in what appears to have been a spontaneous attack.

Iraq and other countries exchanged more harsh dialogue yesterday. President Bush said Iraq's leaders might be tried for war crimes. An Iraqi official said war is imminent. But Kuwait exiles in Saudi Arabia... including its crown prince... called for a compromise, demanding the return of their nation and declaring democratic reforms once Iraq frees it. In response, world oil prices plunged nearly two- dollars a barrel.

Greek Prime Minister Constantine Mitsotakis says the Greek people gave his

government a positive vote in weekend elections. The conservative New Democracy Party, which Mitsotakis heads, leads its major left-wing rivals in country-wide municipal elections. A conservative candidate was elected mayor in Athens, defeating former actress and Culture Minister Melina Mercouri.

Four Japanese-Americans who were interned during World War Two received checks and apologies from the federal government at a ceremoney in Honolulu yesterday. The four range in age from 93 to 100. They got 20-thousand-dollar checks at the second ceremony for people were were held in camps during the Second World War. The first ceremony was in Washington last week.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange surged for a second consecutive day Tuesday, as weakening oil prices and a seemingly calmer Middle East brought more buyers into the market.

The blue chip Nikkei average of 225 selective issues, which surged 719.04 points Monday, added another 496.90 points or 2.2 percent to 23, 606.10.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, which jumped 42.64 points Monday, rose another 25.36 points to 1,731.69.

Volume swelled to an estimated 500 million shares, up sharply from the 371 million shares Monday.

Advances outpaced declines 740 to 247, while 116 issues remanined unchanged.

Elsewhere around the region, stocks closed higher in moderate trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in a day marked by buying of selective blue-chip stocks.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which added 1.12 points Monday, climbed 33.19 points to 2,949.57.

Among the narrower indexes, financials gained 4.33 points, industrials climbed 42.25, utilities rose 43.58 and properties surged 49.90 points.

Volume totaled 650 million shares, compared with 597 million shares changing hands Monday.

In Singapore, stocks closed mixed in lethargic trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange despite the higher closings in Tokyo and New York.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which gained 4.16 points Monday added another 3.34 points to 1,101.77 while the broader-based All Singapore Index fell 1.51 points to 304.89.

An estimated 29.1 million shares changed hands, compared with 19.5 million shares Monday.

In Bangkok, stock prices rose slightly in moderate trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which gained 10.38 points Monday, added another 1.05 points to 653.80.

Volume amounted to around 2.2 billion shares, compared with 1.4 billion shares Monday.

In Taipei, stocks closed sharply higher for the fourth consecutive session in what analysts described as showing signs of stability.

The Taiwan Stock Exchange Weighted Index, which climbed 32.75 points Monday, surged 79.49 pointsor 2.9 percent to 2,768.09.

In Seoul, stock prices closed lower in active trading on the Korean Stock Exchange as local investors took profits.

The Korean Composite Stock Index, which jumped 19.44 points Monday, slipped 8.10 points to 639.29.

In Australia, stocks closed mixed in moderate trading on the Sydney Sharemarket as investors gained some optimism from a fall in domestic interest rates and the local currency.

The All Ordinaries Index, which lost 4.8 points Monday, gained 15.6 points to 1,336.9 but the closely watched Gold Index fell 25.8 points to 1,290.9.

An estimated 82.3 million shares changed hands, compared with 60.1 million shares Monday.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - President Bush has signed a bill to help civilians whose health suffered because of nuclear tests during the Cold War. They include ''downwinders'' who developed cancer because of fallout from Nevada tests.

A blustery storm has moved into the Pacific Northwest. A high wind watch is posted for southwestern Idaho. Wyoming and Montana are bracing for the storm which may bring light snow.

A University of Florida study predicts Florida's population will increase by 10 to 20 percent each decade. But growth could stop if land prices get too

high or the Florida quality of life deteriorates.

New York City fire marshals say a fire in the Lebanese consulate was deliberate set. Several telephone threats were received before the fire Sunday. The fire injured five firefighters and one consulate worker.

The World Health Organization says tuberculosis, after decades of decline, is in resurgence around the world. Nearly three-Million people die of it each year. 20-Million people have active T-B cases.

South Korean Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon made an historic trip to North Korea today. He noted Korea is the last divided nation left in the world. He discussed reunification with North Korean officials.

Soviet television says Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin's doctors have ordered him to stay home. Yeltsin was injured in a car accident last month. He became tired yesterday after working for five hours.

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#90289u0601 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (OCT. 16) UPI - Three American professors - Harry Markowitz of City University of New York, Merton Miller of the University of Chicago and William Sharpe of Stanford University - received the Nobel economics prize Tuesday for pioneering work in the theory of financial economics.

The professors, who received the award jointly, were the 16th, 17th and 18th Americans to win the Nobel Memorial Prize in Economics from the Royal Swedish Academy of Science since the award was created in 1969.

''Markowitz is given the prize for having developed the theory of portfolio choice, Sharpe for his contributions to the theory of price formation of financial assets - the so-called capital asset pricing model - and Miller for his fundamental contributions to the theory of corporate finance,'' said the citation.

The Nobel Memorial Prize in Economics was not one of the original five Nobel Prizes set up by Swedish inventor of dynamite Alfred Nobel. The Swedish National Bank started the economics prize as the Alfred Nobel Memorial Prize. It was first awarded in 1969.

The award, which carries $700,000 in prize money, has been given to 18 Americans, 11 Europeans and one Soviet.

It was the first time the prize has been given jointly to three people.

Asser Lindbeck, chairman of the awarding committee, said it is natural to have three winners in 1990: ''Markowitz made the micro- analysis and Sharpe stood

on his shoulders. Miller tied in the importance of corporations. ... They contributed to the theory with one block each, and without one of their number the theory would have been incomplete.''

''The first pioneering contribution in the field of financial economics was made in the 1950s by Harry Markowitz,'' the citation read, saying the economist had developed a theory for households' and firms' allocation of assets during a period of uncertainty.

''This theory analyzes how wealth can be optimally invested in assets which differ in regard to their expected return and risk,'' the citation said.

The Academy said the second significant contribution to the theory of financial economics took place in the 1960s.

''A number of researchers, among whom William Sharpe was the leading figure, used Markowitz's portfolio theory as a basis for developing a theory of price formation for financial assets,'' the citation said.

It added a third pioneering contribution concerned the theory of corporate finance and the evaluations of firms on markets.

''The most important achievements in this field were made by Merton Miller, initially in collaboration with Franco Modigliani,'' the citation said.

Modigliani, also of the United States, received the Nobel economics prize in 1985.

Miller said he was ''just overwhelmed'' on learning he had been awarded the prize and said he was happy to have joined Modigliani in the honor.

He told Cable News Network in a telephone interview he had not directly collaborated with Tuesday's other two winners in his work, which he described as ''basically how the amount of leverage a firm has affects its cost of capital.''

Miller's theory explains the relation, or lack of one, between firms' capital asset structure and dividend policy on the one hand and their market value on the other.

Lindbeck said, ''The prize-takers have clarified the financial markets' role in the market economy for those who think that financial markets are casinos.''

''Companies make decisions about investments and mergers from these theories, and they are used in particular in American courtrooms to calculate the value of expropriated assets,'' Lindbeck said.

Markowitz, who was born in Chicago in 1928, is Marvin Speiser Distinguished

Professor of Finance and Economics at Baruch College, City University of New York. Earlier he carried out research at the Cowles Foundation and Yale University and was president of the American Finance Association in 1982.

Sharpe was born in Cambridge, Mass., in 1934 and is Timkin Professor of Finance at Stanford Business School, Stanford University. He was president of the American Finance Association in 1980.

Miller was born in Boston in 1923. He is R. McCormick Distinguished Service Professor at the Graduate School of business, University of Chicago. He was president of the American Finance Association in 1976.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 16) UPI - U.S. Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney arrived in Moscow on Tuesday for a four-day visit in which he was to visit Soviet military installations and meet with senior officials.

Defense Minister Dmitri Yazov and other Soviet officials met Cheney at the airport, the official Tass news agency said.

''Meetings of the top military leaders of the two countries are becoming routine,'' Tass said in noting a series of contacts over the past two years.

Gen. Mikhail Moiseyev, Soviet chief of staff, concluded a visit to the United States last week during which he signed an agreement for more military exchanges between the two superpowers.

Cheney and Yazov were to hold a joint news conference Friday on the defense secretary's last day in the Soviet Union.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennadi Gerasimov on Monday denied reports the Soviet government might give Cheney secret information about Iraq, its close ally before Baghdad's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''We do not intend to violate respective agreements in any way if these agreements contain clauses stipulating that the signatories pledge to keep specific information secret,'' Gerasimov said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 15: Purchases of 354,373 shares and sales of 618,078 shares including 75,820 shares sold short.

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#90289u0636 10/16/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 16) UPI - Americans won the Nobel Prize for economics today. Three professors are sharing the award for pioneering work in the theory of financial economics. They are Harry Markowitz of City University of New York, Merton Miller of the University of Chicago and William Sharp of Stanford University. .

The professors are the 16th, 17th and 18th Americans to win the Nobel Memorial Prize in Economics from the Royal Swedish Academy of Science. The economics award was created in 1969. It was the first time the prize has been given jointly to three people.

Farmers will see a 50 percent cut in federal subsidies but will get more freedom to try to make a profit on their own. The provisions are in the final version of the new farm policy bill that was worked out by Senate and House conferees early this morning. The conference committee also proposes significant steps to prevent farm chemicals from contaminating water supplies.

The House voted last night to sharply increase the fees ranchers and farmers pay the government for grazing their livestock on federal range lands. The bill also would reduce the amount of timber harvests permitted in national forests in the Pacific Northwest this year by nearly 17 percent and extends a moratorium on off-shore oil and gas development.

Iran says an earthquake struck it last night. Iran's news agency says a tremor measuring five-point-five on the Richter scale. Tehran University said the epicenter of the quake was 373 miles southeast of Tehran around Taba. There are NO reports of casualties or damage. Earlier this year, an earthquake devastated a large area in northwestern Iran.

A man in Warren, Michigan, is accused of setting a house-fire that killed people. Officials say three fires occurred in the man's previous home in East Detroit. An October 10th fire killed 64-year-old Lorenzo Nieto's wife, granddaughter and her best friend. Officials suspect Nieto was trying to collect insurance on the house.

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#90289u0638 10/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - A bondholder group rejected Donald Trump's latest offer to exchange $675 million Taj Mahal casino debt for some equity, the Wall Street Journal reported Tuesday.

Bondholder adviser Wilbur Ross of Rothschild Inc. said in an Oct. 12 letter to the bondholder group that a new proposal from Trump was ''significantly worse than the one rejected by the steering committee'' earlier.

As a result, Ross wrote: ''We are deeply concerned about the prospects for a consensual restructuring.''

The letter was obtained by the newspaper from one of dozens of bondholders who received a copy during the weekend.

Although a compromise agreement is still possible, the letter reflects a growing pessimism about Trump's chances of working out a deal on the bonds of the Taj Mahal in Atlantic City, N.J.

Trump recently completed a $65 million bank bailout, and is in negotiations to restructure loans he still owes on his casinos and the Trump Shuttle airline. The bondholder negotiations are not expected to affect Trump's other workout discussions.

Taj Mahal bondholders have been demanding that Trump cede a substantial portion of his equity to them, and have threatened to throw the facility into bankruptcy if he does not do so.

The Trump organization has acknowledged it must restructure the Taj Mahal bonds because the facility is not making enough money to meet a $47 million interest payment due Nov. 15.

The letter also disclosed, and a Trump official confirmed, that Trump had retained Donaldson Lufkin & Jenrette as an investment adviser, his third adviser in as many months.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - Russian Republic leader Boris Yeltsin's doctors ordered him to take today off after a brief appearance in parliament. Yeltsin returned to work Friday after three weeks of recuperation from a car accident. Soviet television says he worked for five hours yesterday but was obviously tired, and his doctors advised further rest.

First lady Barbara Bush took her campaign against illiteracy to Canada yesterday. Mrs. Bush told a conference in Ottawa 75 percent of the prisoners lack basic reading and writing skills. She says teaching criminals to read and write is the best hope for living within the law outside prison.

A contender for the Teamsters presidency vows to double the union's membership and make it international. The Teamsters already have one- Million 600-thousand members. Louis Riga of San Jose, California, is on a 17-city trip to announce his candidacy.

A jury in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, expects to hear opening statements today

in the obscenity trial of the rap group 2 Live Crew. The jury of four women and two men includes one black woman. A defense attorney has said that for a fair trial, he needs jurors who are black and know about rap music or at least have an open mind about sexually explicit lyrics.

First Fan George Bush plans to take in the World Series game today. Bush will fly to Cincinnati for the Reds' second game against the Oakland A's. The president, a former Yale first baseman, will be taking time out from campaigning for Republican candidates and from pushing Congress for a new budget.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 16) UPI - Two special education aides have been charged with scalding the hand of a 12-year-old mentally retarded student and muffling his cries after he soiled his clothes twice in one day.

A third worker also has been accused of failing to report the Oct. 4 incident, which left the boy hospitalized with second- and third-degree burns to his right hand.

Doctors said the boy, who takes part in a special education program at Reynolds Elementary School, is expected to suffer permanent scarring and disfigurement from the burns.

Virginia Gray Blade, 34, and Anita Marie Brown, 29, are charged with felony injury to a child and were freed Monday on personal recognizance bonds. If convicted, each woman could be sentenced to up to 99 years in prison and fined $10,000.

Willie Faye Nelson, 36, is charged with failing to report child abuse, a misdemeanor.

Blade and Brown have been suspended without pay and the school board will be asked to approve their firings, said Houston Independent School District spokeswoman Ria Griffin.

Nelson has been suspended pending the outcome of a district investigation, Griffin said.

Blade and Brown cleaned the boy up once after he soiled his clothes, hands and mouth, said police Sgt. Ralph Gonzales.

''When it happened a second time, they took him to the bathroom again, and Blade held his right hand under hot water while the other one held him by the right shoulder,'' Gonzales said.

Brown allegedly covered the boy's mouth to muffle his screams while Blade ran 130-degree water over his hand for about 30 seconds, said prosecutor Kelly Siegler.

''He was saying, 'Hot! Hot! Hot!,''' Siegler said.

Brown told police she had done the same thing to the boy following a similar incident two years ago but the punishment apparently did not injure the youth, said police Sgt. Bill Staney.

That punishment reportedly succeeded in correcting the youngster's behavior, so Brown felt she would try it again, Staney said.

But Brown's attorney, Donald DeMoss, said his client is ''in shock'' over the charges and denies she is responsible for the boy's injuries.

The women took the boy to the school nurse after noticing that his hand was blistered and the skin was peeling. They said the boy had burned himself.

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#90289u0722 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 16) UPI - Three American professors who did research in the theory of financial economics have received the Nobel economics prize for 1990. They are Harry Markowitz of City University of New York... Merton Miller of the University of Chicago... and William Sharpe of Stanford. The Royal Swedish Academy of Science announced the award. Markowitz developed the theory of portfolio choice. Sharpe researched the capital asset pricing model. And Miller contributed to the theory of corporate finance.

Americans are disturbed about the direction the United States is headed in. A new poll shows 79 percent said the country is on the wrong track. Only 19 percent believe it is headed in the right direction. 56 percent approve of the way President Bush is handling his job. But that is 19 percent less than approved of him just a month earlier. The poll reflects discontent with the Persian Gulf crisis. 78 percent approved his handling of the crisis in September... only 64 percent in the latest survey.

Airlines are asking the petroleum markets and the government to help them. The Air Transport Association of America says oil prices have been driven up because of the market's failure to reflect an adequate supply. It said some lines may not survive the fuel increases. The association also asked Congress NOT to approve new taxes on the airlines in the new budget plan. It says NO other industry has been hurt by the fuel crisis as much as airlines.

House Republicans are polishing up their version of the budget and deficit reduction package. House Republican leader Robert Michel says it relies heavily on spending cuts. He said it apparently does NOT include new taxes.

There are other versions drafted by House Democrats and Senate Republicans. And there's a bipartisan plan approved by the Senate Finance Committee which President Bush likes.

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#90289u0726 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 16) UPI - Space engineers at Cape Canaveral are getting the shuttle Atlantis ready for a test next week that will show if its leak problem has been solved. Supercold liquid oxygen is to be pumed aboard it to make sure NO lines were damaged when a 70-pound beam fell in the engine room. Atlantis is to make a secret military flight around November 10th... so secret the exact launch time will not be announced until nine minutes before it blasts off.

A trial date of December 5th has been set for Charles Keating's trial in Los Angeles on charges of defrauding thousands of investors who bought junk bonds. Keating's lawyer says that's too early because the case is complex. Attorney Steven Neal notes the grand jury transcript is 42 volumes. Neal says he doesn't expect a trial before next spring. Judge Lance Ito indicated he would be flexible about the starting date.

A former radical who pleaded guilty to planting bombs in banks in the 1970s has won a reduction in his prison term. Ronald Kaufman made a deal with the prosecution in 1987 to plead guilty in return for a sentence that would make him eligible for parole in 1990. The federal parole commission refused to grant it. His lawyer went back to San Francisco federal court, withdrew the guilty plea and got a new sentencing. He now should be free in eight months.

People appearing in Judge Morton Kesler's traffic court in Jacksonville, Florida, may have trouble learning his name. Somebody stole his nameplate off the bench. Kesler says the theft is an indication of a lack of respect for authority. His bailiff speculates the thief might be somebody in a night-time class held in the courthouse. That class is designed to keep juveniles from turning to crime.

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#90289u0728 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

HAZMIYEH, LEBANON (OCT. 16) UPI - Pro-Syrian Lebanese troops surrounded the French Embassy Tuesday after France vowed not to surrender deposed rebel Christian Gen. Michel Aoun for trial.

Dozens of regulars loyal to President Elias Hrawi set up checkpoints at intersections around the hilltop embassy on the eastern outskirts of Beirut, effectively cordoning off the building.

French guards, who laid mines along the barbed-wire fence of the embassy and the nearby residence of French Ambassador Rene Ala, were put on maximum alert.

One tank, manned by Hrawi's troops, sat only 100 yards from the French mission's building as a number of Lebanese troops took positions atop nearby apartment buildings Tuesday morning. Later in the day they widrew from the rooftops but remained stationed at the checkpoints.

The soldiers converged on the embassy as the French and Lebanese governments disputed the fate of Aoun and his advisers taking refuge at the mission.

Aoun and his advisers were ousted Saturday when a Lebanese-Syrian military force pushed into Christian east Beirut and captured the presidential palace in Baabda, five miles southeast of the Lebanese capital.

The muscle-flexing maneuvers around the embassy were carried out as the French ambassador spoke with Hrawi and Prime Minister Selim Hoss as part of French efforts to secure a safe exit for Aoun.

Aoun remained stranded at the embassy for the fourth straight day Tuesday.

The ousted military officers had challanged Hrawi, who became president as a result of a peace treaty designed to end the 15-year-old civil war. The accord was worked out by the Lebanese Parliament in Taif, Saudi Arabia, in October 1989.

Lebanese lawmakers, in light of the defeat of Aoun, resumed contitutional activites Tuesday, re-electing Hussein Husseini as house speaker. The session was held at the ancient Parliament building in Beirut's demolished downtown, where Moslem and Christian militiamen have fought each other since 1975.

French President Francoise Mitterrand has vowed not to hand over Aoun and said the matter has become a question of honor for his nation. France, shortly after Aoun hid at the embassy, granted him political asylum, but the Hrawi government warned Paris against smuggling the general out because it intended to try him for ''crimes'' against the nation and the alleged embezzlement of some $70 million in government funds.

Lebanese Agriculture Minister Mohsen Dalloul told the pro-Syrian As- Safir daily newspaper published Tuesday that the government was determined to make Aoun stand trial.

''The judicial authorities will try him,'' Dalloul said, adding ''this question was not a political one, and on this ground we protested France's granting of political asylum.''

In Paris, French conservative politicians supported Mitterrand's pledge not to turn over Aoun to Lebanese authorities, but the politicians accused the French president of ignoring what they consider Syrian intentions of subjugating Lebanon and its Christian Maronite population, long supported by France.

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#90289u0793 10/16/1990 ~United Press International
JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 16) UPI - A black man testing a right-wing town's compliance with a new law ending racial segregation in public places found subtler forms of racism - including a $195 library membership fee, the Johannesburg Star reported Tuesday.

The newspaper had sent black reporter Stan Hlope to visit the eastern Transvaal province town of Bethal to see if the council was abiding by the scrapping at midnight Sunday of a 37-year-old law which had allowed local authorities to segregate public facilities.

But Bethal, like many other towns controlled by the official opposition Conservative Party, had introduced measures defying the spirit rather than the letter of the legislation which scrapped the segregationist Separate Amenities Act.

The government threatened to take court action against any local authority still enforcing the Act. But a number of towns have taken advantage of loopholes in the law, including closing down their facilities entirely rather than open them to blacks and levying high fees on ''non-residents,'' in the knowledge that blacks may not live in the towns.

When Hlope entered the library, the ''staff and public looked shocked,'' the Star reported.

Librarian Susan Kemp was ''gracious,'' but without enquiring whether Hlope was a resident of Bethal, which would have given him free membership, she said membership of the library would cost him $195.

She also asked, ''Do you have your bank manager with you,'' the Star added.

All of South Africa's major cities integrated their facilities before the Separate Amenities Act was scrapped. But the 102 town councils controlled by the Conservative Party in the northern and eastern Transvaal vowed to resist the abolition of the Act.

President Frederik de Klerk's program of racial reform, launched February, has outraged conservatives. The scrapping of the Separate Amenities Act, the first piece of legislated apartheid to fall in terms of the reforms, prompted Conservative Party leader Andries Treurnicht to say, ''This threatens white rights to self-determination.''

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#90289u0812 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

KNOXVILLE, TN (OCT. 16) UPI - Tennessee coach Johnny Majors says three football players accused of allegedly sexually assaulting a coed in the Vols athletic dormitory apparently will not face criminal charges but remain on indefinite suspension from the team.

University officials say the coed has indicated she will not press criminal charges against defensive ends Kacy Rodgers and Dewayne Dotson and freshman running back Keith Jeter. But the players still face possible university action if they are found guilty of violating the student conduct code.

Officials say action against the players could range from dismissal of all charges to expulsion from the university. Majors says the suspensions will remain in place until the university investigation is complete.

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#90289u0846 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

CONCORD, NH (OCT. 16) UPI - In a ruling that could derail a plan by a Connecticut utility to take over Public Service Co. of New Hampshire, a judge has overturned a $500 million bond issue that was to have partially financed the deal.

A company spokesman denied that the decision, issued late Monday, will create a major roadblock for the merger.

Northeast Utilities of Berlin, Conn., is taking over PSNH in a $2.3 billion plan to bring the New Hampshire utility out of bankruptcy. The plan is to be partially financed through the sale of pollution control bonds, about half of which are tax-exempt, issued through the state's Industrial Development Authority.

PSNH is the lead owner of the Seabrook nuclear power plant, and the bonds would nominally finance pollution control projects at Seabrook.

But the bond issue was challenged in a lawsuit by Robert Cushing of the Campaign for Ratepayers Rights and other Seabrook opponents, who charged that the IDA was misusing its authority by approving bonds that would actually be used to finance a corporate takeover.

Merrimack County Superior Court Justice Kenneth R. McCue, in a 20- page ruling did not address any of Cushing's charges. But he agreed that the opponents had been denied a chance to express their objections before the IDA.

McCue declared approval of the bond issue by the IDA and the state Executive Council null and void and ordered the IDA to hold a new hearing.

''This will give us the opportunity to put the light on what is going on with the IDA,'' Cushing said Tuesday. ''I don't see the bond sale going through for

NU because if there is a full hearing people will have to give testimony under oath on what those bonds are really going to be used for. I know there are no facilities that meet the definition of 'pollution control' at Seabrook.''

Cushing said a hearing on the bond issues will show that NU is not eligible for IDA financing.

But a spokesman for Northeast Utilities denied that the ruling would affect the takeover. Jeffrey R. Kotkin said it will proceed without the IDA bonds if necessary.

''This was financing that we looked at recently in order help lower the interest cost to PSNH,'' Kotkin said. ''It's not critical to the merger or the bankruptcy.''

Kotkin said IDA funding could eventually save PSNH ratepayers $10 million to $12 million a year in interest charges that would be reflected in electric bills.

In his ruling, McCue was sharply critical of the IDA's handling of the bond issue. He charged that IDA board members approved the utility's 1,000-page application without having read it. He said board members relied on the recommendation of the bond counsel, who had helped prepare the application.

''One could argue that under the facts in this case, the IDA served no useful function,'' McCue wrote. ''The directors did not review the application before voting on it; in essence, all they did was to rubber- stamp the approval of the application by bond council.''

He also criticized Gov. Judd Gregg and the Executive Council for approving the bond issue without ''a great deal of knowledge about the specifics of the bond request.''

There was no immediate word from state officials on whether the ruling would be appealed.

PSNH filed for bankruptcy court protection on Jan. 28, 1988 because of the burden of its $2.2 billion investment in the Seabrook plant.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $360.70 silver base of $4.21 and platinum price of $389.50:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$375.70	397.80
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	192.90	204.10
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	99.10	104.80
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	41.00	43.30
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	375.70	397.80
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	192.90	204.10
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	99.60	105.30
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	41.00	43.30
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	381.70	404.20
China Panda .50 troy oz.	196.70	208.30
China Panda .25 troy oz.	102.00	108.00
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	44.00	46.60
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	26.30	27.90
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	375.90	398.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	192.00	203.40
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	97.10	102.70
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	41.90	44.20
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	374.30	396.40
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	194.00	205.20
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	99.60	105.30
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	42.50	44.80
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	374.00	396.30
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	192.30	203.80
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	81.70	86.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	42.80	45.30
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	22.00	23.10
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.61	$5.69
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,130	$3,130
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,325	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	419.00	424.00
Isle of Man Noble	408.00	413.00
Canada Maple Leaf	419.00	424.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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PROVIDENCE, R.I. (OCT. 16) UPI - State health advocates and officials Tuesday criticized cigarette manufacturer Philip Morris Cos. for trying to buy positive name recognition by sponsoring a national ''Bill of Rights'' tour.

Margaret Kane, director of the Rhode Island Lung Association, said Philip Morris should also publicize its production and sale of 219.5 billion cigarettes each year, making it ''the greatest contributor to the leading cause of death and disease in this country.''

''By wrapping itself in the American flag and parading the Bill of Rights across the country, Philip Morris is attempting to portray itself at the heart of American culture and political freedom,'' said Kane.

''By the time this 17-month tour has ended, more than 520,000 individuals will have died from smoking cigarettes,'' Kane said.

Kane and local representatives of the American Heart Association, American Cancer Society, and state Health Department made their discontent known at a news conference at the state archives building, where there is an original Bill of Rights on display.

Philip Morris Cos.' ''Bill of Rights'' tour will stop Oct. 17-20 at the West Warwick, R.I., Civic Center.

The company referred comment to a community relations official in North Carolina, who was not immediately available.

Richard Carleton, local president of the American Heart Association, said Philip Morris is trying to purchase ''positive name recognition'' by sponsoring the tour.

''Philip Morris claims to be strongly supportive of the American tradition of freedom of speech and free expression, but it has in fact deliberately undermined such freedoms repeatedly to serve its own corporate interests,'' he charged.

''It is well known how this company targets young women, minorities and the nation's youth through its promotional efforts, including sponsoring major sport and cultural events,'' Carleton said.

State health Director H. Denman Scott said Rhode Islanders pay $284 per capita due to smoking related health-care costs, compared to $221 per capita nationally.

''Further, Rhode Island is currently among the states that hold the greatest number of women smokers,'' he said.

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#90289u0919 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

JACKSONVILLE, FLA. (OCT. 16) UPI - The bodies of six people, four of them children, were discovered Tuesday in the burned out remains of their home, which authorities said was set on fire by the husband of one of the victims.

The 35-year-old suspect, who had been arrested twice previously for wife abuse was in the Duval County Jail, charged with six counts of murder, said Asa Higgs, a spokesman with the Duval County Sheriff's Office.

Killed in the blaze were the suspect's 29-year-old wife, who had won a pending injunction that ordered her husband to stay away from her, her 23-year-old sister-in-law and four children who had the same last name as the sister-in-law, Higgs said.

The children were a 12-year-old girl, 5-year-old boy, 3-year-old girl and two-year-old girl, Higgs said.

Authorities withheld the name of the suspect until the victims could be positively identified and the next of kin notified.

The bodies were taken to the Duval County medical examiner's office, where autopsies were scheduled Tuesday.

A crime report at the sheriff's office said, ''The fire was started as a result of a petroleum product being poured on the front porch, foyer, living room, stairwell and second floor bedroom.''

Higgs said the suspect and his wife apparently argued Monday and the man set the house on fire.

The suspect was arrested for spouse abuse in 1988 and for battery on a spouse last year while an injunction was in place to protect her from him. He also was arrested for child neglect in 1988, Higgs said.

The fire was reported at 11:35 p.m. Monday by a police officer on routine patrol through the working class neighborhood near the center of town, fire Lt. Lorin Mock said.

When firefighters arrived five minutes later, they found the two- story wood frame house fully aflame.

The bodies were discovered about 12:15 a.m. Tuesday after the blaze was extinguished, Mock said. The house suffered extensive damage.

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#90289u0965 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Tuesday it has approved the application of Norwest Corp., of Minneapolis, to acquire American Land Title Co., of Omaha, Neb., which engages in title insurance and real estate settlements.

Norwest is the second largest bank holding company in Minnesota with consolidated assets of $26.8 billion.

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#90289u0995 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 16) UPI - Kuwait's exiled premier said Tuesday his government will not give Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''even a single inch'' of territory in any settlement should the emirate be liberated.

Syria also ruled out a compromise with Iraq.

''The people of Kuwait have already taken an unequivocal resolution not to make any concessions on Kuwaiti sovereignty, and these people will not surrender even a single inch of land,'' Crown Prince Sheik Saad al Abdullah al Sabah told reporters in Saudi Arabia.

Saad, also Kuwait's prime minister in exile, apparently referred to unconfirmed reports in Moscow and the Jordanian capital of Amman that Saddam is willing to withdraw from the rest of Kuwait if he can keep an oil field and two strategic islands in the northern Persian Gulf.

Saad made the comments on the day after a conference of 1,200 Kuwaitis in Saudi Arabia, which included members of the exiled royal family and pro-democracy opposition groups.

Conference members said that all Kuwaitis, despite their differences, are opposed to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of their homeland and are determined to liberate the emirate.

Pro-democracy Kuwaiti activists, led by the speaker of the emirate's dissolved Parliament, were reported to have won concessions from the ruling family for a bigger role in the post-liberation government, conference sources said.

Kuwait's exiled emir, Sheik Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah, dissolved the elected Parliament in July 1986, citing a foreign conspiracy to destroy the country at the height of the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war.

A new Parliament with limited sovereignty was elected before the Iraqi invasion, but pro-democracy activists appear now to have won pledges of more representation if and when Iraq withdraws from their tiny country.

Syria, which together with Egypt and Morocco sent troops to Saudi Arabia to

defend the Arab kingdom against Iraqi aggression, also ruled out compromise with Iraq.

''Any comprehensive solution to the gulf crisis could only be reached through the withdrawal of Iraqi troops (from Kuwait) and the restoration of Kuwait's legitimate government,'' Syrian Information Minister Mohammed Salman told the Al Ittihad newspaper in the United Arab Emirates.

Salman defended his country's decision to send troops to the region, saying Iraq's conquest marked the first time an Arab country had invaded, occupied and annexed a fellow Arab state.

''Syria stands by all Arabs who are keen to end this aggression and consolidate the charter and principles of the Arab League,'' he said.

Salman said Iraq's withdrawal was the precondition for the evacuation of foreign troops from the region.

''Iraq must pull its troops out of Kuwait and then we can all stand together and tell foreign forces to go home and leave the region,'' he said.

In other developments Tuesday:

-Turkish President Turgut Ozal arrived in Cairo from Qatar as part of a Mideast tour to confer with members of the pro-Kuwait alliance.

-An adviser to President Mikhail Gorbachev left for Rome, Paris and Washington Tuesday on a special mission to report on his meetings in Baghdad and discuss possible diplomatic solutions to the crisis.

-Japan moved toward committing troops to the U.S.-led multinational force in the region as the government unveiled its long-awaited United Nations peace cooperation bill.

-The Jordanian government stopped a government charity from sending 16 trucks loaded with milk, food and medicine to Iraq pending approval from the U.N. Security Council sanctions committee.

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#90289u0996 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

JAKARTA, Indonesia (OCT. 16) UPI - Indonesian President Suharto Tuesday called on members of the OPEC cartel to pump the most oil possible and urged the industrialized nations to tap their reserves to curb the rise in prices from the Persian Gulf crisis.

''Higher oil prices indeed will raise the earnings of producing countries,'' Suharto said at the opening ceremony of the 19th annual Indonesian Petroleum

Association and the First Jakarta International Energy Conference.

''However, uncontrolled price hikes, too high and too fast, will benefit nobody,'' he added.

''Should the world suffer from economic recession, both the advanced and developing countries, oil producing and importing countries alike will be affected,'' Suharto said.

''I would make an appeal to all OPEC member-states that so long as this crisis continues, they should produce to the maximum to help maintain the balance in the oil markets.''

The meeting was attended by oil ministers from Venezuela, Nigeria, Indonesia and Algeria, members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries that pumps more than a third of the world's oil.

The ministers called on industrialized nations to release up to 1.8 million barrels a day to ease pressure on prices during the upcoming winter heating season in northern countries.

Indonesian OPEC Secretary General Subroto said that based on figures of the International Energy Agency, which is made up of the largest industrialized nations, the winter would produce a supply shortfall of 1.8 million barrels daily.

Subroto told a news conference oil consumption in the fourth quarter of the world's market economies is estimated at 54.5 million barrels daily, while total output by OPEC and non-OPEC countries is currently projected at 52.7 million barrels daily.

Suharto said, however, that the rise in oil prices since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait triggered the Gulf crisis is due more to speculation than a scarcity of oil.

''This is the reason why I appeal to the industrialized countries to take immediate measure aimed at minimizing these extremely damaging speculative activities, and to help overcome the fear of supply shortages by releasing their stock that is, after all, intended for this purpose,'' Suharto said.

The U.N. embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports following the invasion cut off 4.3 million barrels a day from world markets, most of which has been made up by increased output from Saudi Arabia and other OPEC producers.

The United States and the other industrialized nations with large strategic reserves such as Japan and Germany have refused to release oil on the grounds no shortages exist.

Indonesian Mines and Energy Minister Ginandjar Kartsasamita said that OPEC and other oil producers simply cannot meet the projected additional demand for oil in the fourth quarter.

''The net effect is a real price push factor,'' he said. ''Only a substantial release of stocks, whether commercial or strategic or both, can alleviate this situation.''

A release of stocks ''will have an immediate effect on the psychology on the market, thereby keeping the oil price from running out of hand,'' he said.

Ginandjar said speculation of a possible war in the Middle East and the disruption it would cause in oil supply ''is basically the reason behind the current high oil prices.''

''We have a problem today, and consumers are facing a price problem,'' said Sadek Boussena, OPEC president and Algerian Minister of Energy and Petrochemical Industries. ''We hope they (the consumers) will not be facing a supply problem in the next few weeks.''

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#90289u1012 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 16) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

. City	Local Time	Temp F	C
Aberdeen pc	1pm	56	14
Amsterdam pc	1pm	62	17
Ankara c	3pm	67	20
Athens c	2pm	74	23
Auckland r	12m	57	14
Beijing c	8pm	60	16
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	70	21
Bonn pc	1pm	69	21
Brussels pc	1pm	63	17
Cairo c	2pm	90	32
Casablanca pc	12n	75	24
Copenhagen cy	1pm	59	15
Dakar d	12n	69	21
Dublin c	1pm	57	14
Geneva r	1pm	62	17
Helsinki fy	2pm	48	09
Hong Kong c	8pm	77	25
Jerusalem pc	2pm	83	28
Karachi c	5pm	91	33
Lisbon cy	1pm	63	17

London pc	1pm	63	17
Madrid	1pm	-	-
Malta c	1pm	80	27
Manila cy	8pm	79	26
Moscow cy	3pm	52	11
Nairobi	3pm	-	-
Nassau c	7am	78	26
New Delhi c	6pm	89	32
Nice r	1pm	63	17
Oslo cy	1pm	55	13
Paris c	1pm	64	18
Pretoria cy	2pm	72	22
Riyadh	3pm	92	33
Rome cy	1pm	75	24
Seoul c	9pm	63	17
Sofia c	2pm	63	17
Stockholm pc	1pm	56	13
Sydney c	10pm	69	21
Taipei pc	8pm	74	24
Tokyo cy	9pm	68	20
Tunis cy	1pm	80	27
Vienna c	1pm	65	19
Warsaw c	1pm	68	20
Latin America			
Buenos Aires c	9am	61	16
Caracas	8am	-	-
Havana c	7am	75	24
Lima cy	7am	61	16
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	72	22
Santiago cy	8am	52	11
Canada			
Calgary s		41	05
Edmonton c		45	07
Montreal c		62	16
Ottawa c		59	15
Regina c		51	10
Toronto pc		61	16
Vancouver c		51	10
Winnipeg c		48	08

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze

pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

-30- 2318
#90289u1026 10/16/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 16) UPI - Three American professors won the Nobel Prize for economics today for their pioneering theories in financial economics. Harry Markowitz of City University of New York, Merton Miller of the University of Chicago and William Sharpe of Stanford are the 16th, 17th and 18th Americans to win the economics prize.

Defense Secretary Cheney arrived in Moscow today for talks with top officials, including his Soviet counterpart. The four-day trip ends on Friday with a joint news conference. The Soviet chief of staff ended a visit to the United States last week by signing an agreement for more military exchanges.

Japan's Parliament is debating a bill that may authorize sending a Japanese delegation to the multi-national force in the Persian Gulf. The post-war Constitution forbids Japan from sending troops overseas and the bill specifies that any troops sent to the Middle East be limited to NON-combat roles.

Israel's refusal to co-operate with a U-N investigation of the Temple Mount slayings last week came up as a topic today during a visit by British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd. He also discussed the Persian Gulf crisis in a two and one-half-hour meeting with Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy.

Guards are on maximum alert at the French Embassy in Lebanon as pro- Syrian Lebanese troops surround the compound. Ousted renegade Lebanese Christian General Michel Aoun is inside, asking for political asylum, something France says he will get. Lebanon wants to put him on trial.

Many South African towns are trying to get around reforms to end legal apartheid. The Johannesburg Star says a black reporter testing the demise of a segregation law found subtler forms of racism in the Transvaal province town of Bethal, including a 195-dollar library membership fee.

More bad news for Donald Trump. The Wall Street Journal says the one- time BILLIONAIRE real estate developer has lost a bid to exchange 675- Million dollars in debt in his Taj Mahal casino for equity. Trump recently completed a 65-Million-dollar bank bailout and is trying to restructure loans on his casinos and the Trump Shuttle airline.

Opening arguments began today at the obscenity trial of three members of the Miami rap group 2 Live Crew. A four-man two-woman jury was selected yesterday in Fort Lauderdale to hear the case against the crew leader Luther Campbell

and members Christopher Wongwon and Mark Ross. A federal judge has ruled their album ''Nasty as They Want to Be'' is obscene.

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#90289u1029 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

MONCTON, New Brunswick (OCT. 16) UPI - The New Brunswick Chamber of Commerce wants Canadian banks to offer interest-free loans to consumers who promise to spend the money on the Canadian side of the United States border, the organization said Tuesday.

Chamber President Rick Leblanc said he has scheduled meetings with New Brunswick's finance minister and district offices of financial institutions in hope of encouraging banks to offer the loans up to $1, 000.

''It's a very novel concept,'' Leblanc said in a telephone interview, adding it would be a tremendous opportunity for border communities in New Brunswick, especially with Christmas fast approaching.

Cross-border shopping has plagued Canadian retailers since the U.S.- Canada free trade agreement took effect in January, 1989. In the first six months of that year, Canadians spent 13.4 percent more, amounting to several billion dollars, in the U.S. than in the previous year.

The Royal Bank of Canada has attributed the loss of Canadian shoppers to lower duties in the United States and a stronger Canadian dollar. In addition, Canadian retailers have higher markups and prices.

LeBlanc said the British Columbia town of Trail, near the Canada-U.S. border, has already had some success with interest-free loans. He said the idea could be adopted on a province-wide scale in New Brunswick.

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#90289u1043 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 16) UPI - Poland and the Russian Federation signed an agreement on friendship and cooperation Tuesday in the first such accord between the Soviet Union's dominant republic and a foreign country.

The Russian Parliament meanwhile passed a law establishing the right to hold referendums in the latest step to implement its June 12 declaration of sovereignty under the aggressive leadership of Boris Yeltsin.

Visiting Polish Foreign Minister Krzysztof Kubiszewski and his Russian counterpart, Andrei Kozyrev, signed the pact agreeing to place consular missions in Warsaw and Moscow, the official Soviet news agency Tass said.

''This document seals the period when Russia had no face of its own in

international relations,'' Russian Prime Minister Ivan Silayev said.

Poland and Russia say in the pact that they ''do not lay any territorial claims on each other and will not put forward such claims in the future either.''

The treaty commits the two sides to establishing relations based ''on respect for international law, their sovereignty and integrity, on the principles of equality, non-interference in internal affairs, good- neighborliness and mutually beneficial cooperation.''

The two sides also agreed ''to stimulate and deepen economic cooperation in every way'' and develop large-scale cultural exchanges.

''This is a doubly significant event,'' Silayev said. ''Friendly relations with Poland are being furthered in every respect, and this is the first foreign policy document of its kind to be signed by the Russian Federation.''

Russia takes up three-quarters of the Soviet Union and is home to half its population of 290 million, but the giant federation touches Poland only in its far western extreme along a small stretch of land surrounding the Baltic port of Kaliningrad.

The new referendum bill requires the collection of 1 million signatures of Russian citizens or demands by one-third of the Russian legislature's deputies for a plebiscite. More than half of all eligible voters must participate in the referendum for its results to be binding.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev called last month for a national plebiscite on whether individuals should be allowed to own land, but there is no mechanism in Soviet law for such a popular vote.

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#90289u1045 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-85.75 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 131.625-133.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 42.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 48.00-55.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $225.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $418.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $420.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$114.17 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 297.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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#90289u1046 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

DES MOINES, IOWA (OCT. 16) UPI - Two minutes into a pep talk to a Republican campaign rally, President Bush was hit Tuesday with a vivid reminder of the challenge he faces in keeping Americans rallied behind a dangerous and uncertain military gamble in the Persian Gulf.

''Mr. President, bring our troops home from Saudi Arabia!'' a heckler shouted from the audience of the Des Moines Civic Center. ''No blood for oil!'' added a companion.

Unfazed by the interruption, Bush responded without hesitation.

''Some never get the word,'' he said, his voice rising. ''The fight isn't about oil. The fight is about naked aggression that will not stand.''

Moments after the two hecklers and a third protester rose from their seats to challenge Bush, they were led away by security officers, their taunts drowned out by cheers from young Republicans.

But the brief exchange, which has taken place in other cities, on other campaign stops in the past several weeks, dramatized a growing public anxiety over the duration and future of Operation Desert Shield and a political need by Bush - acknowledged by his advisers - to continue making the case for his actions in the gulf crisis.

As Bush confronted his handful of critics in Iowa, a new Washington Post-ABC News poll showed a drop in support for the president's handling of the gulf crisis from 78 percent in September to 64 percent in the latest survey.

The president's overall popularity also plummeted in a month, and support for the United States keeping military forces in the gulf dropped to 60 percent from 75 percent five weeks ago.

White House strategists are not unaware of the risk. Bush as well felt compelled to answer criticism rather than merely dismiss it as the rants of a small minority.

Noting how Americans have had to endure three major wars in the last 50 years, he said, those questioning the U.S. commitment in the gulf ''shouldn't be entirely written off, but they've got it wrong.''

''They've got the facts wrong,'' he asserted. ''They're looking at it introspectively, in a bit of an isolationistic way. We can't do that. We have a responsibility to lead, the United States does. If we don't stand up against aggression around the world when it's naked and brutal, who will?''

Added Bush, ''The United States has the responsibility to lead and to put together this coalition that says to Saddam Hussein very simply: 'You cannot bully your neighbor. You cannot wipe out a member of the Arab League.'''

Since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, the United States has poured almost 200,000 troops into the region, ostensibly to defend Saudi Arabia and police a virtual naval quarantine of Iraq, and has sought and won approval of eight major U.N. resolutions condemning the aggression of Saddam.

In recent days, with military force still an option of last resort, Bush has accused Iraq of killing innocent men, women and children in Kuwait as part of what he again described Tuesday as the ''systematic dismantling of a member of the United Nations, a member of the Arab League.''

Laying a foundation for further action through the United Nations, Bush vowed that the United States will achieve its objectives - forcing Iraq from Kuwait, restoring Kuwait's ''legitimate government'' and holding Saddam accountable for the consequences of his aggression - but hastened to add that ''America will remain in the Persian Gulf not one single day longer than necessary.''

The Iowans applauded with enthusiasm. However, White House officials have all

but conceded popular support for Operation Desert Shield could be jeopardized by the passage of time, in the event of a prolonged standoff, or bloodshed, or in the event of war.

Bush has seen the problem compounded by a recent rash of accidents that have claimed the lives of 31 Americans - before a single shot has been fired.

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#90289u1078 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - A private funeral was held Tuesday for composer-conductor Leonard Bernstein as musical tributes began around the world and recording companies rushed out Bernstein releases.

Only his three children and other family members and a few close friends attended the service, according to the Bernsteins' spokeswoman, Margaret Carson.

Bernstein was then buried in the family plot in Brooklyn next to his wife, actress Felicia Montealegre, who died in 1978.

The world-renowned maestro, whose career was most closely identified with the New York, Israel and Vienna philharmonics, died Sunday at 72 of cardiac arrest caused by emphysema. He had announced his retirement as a conductor only five days before, citing ill health.

Within hours after Bernstein's death, Sony Classical and Deutsche Grammaphon record companies announced they would release nearly 90 compact discs of Bernstein's symphonic recordings ranging from the music of Mozart to that of Ned Rorem.

Musical tributes, which were expected to extend over the next few months, began Monday at Carnegie Hall when a Russian musical group, Moscow Soloists of the U.S.S.R., dedicated part of its program to Bernstein.

Violinist Isaac Stern is dedicating his 70th anniversary concert Tuesday at Carnegie to the memory of his friend and musical associate.

All of the New York Philharmonic's programs from Thursday through next Tuesday at Lincoln Center will be devoted to Bernstein's compositions and will be performed under the baton of Leonard Slatkin, another Bernstein friend.

Flags at Lincoln Center were lowered to half-staff Monday and will remain there the rest of the week as a tribute. Bernstein music was piped into the center's concourse.

The Public Theater on Astor Place replaced its banners with black flags bearing Bernstein's initials and played his music on the street and in its

lobbies.

In Vienna, the state opera house and some offices and monuments were draped in black after an official period of mourning was declared by the burgomaster. A memorial concert was being planned in the Austrian capital later in the year, authorities said.

New York's official memorial concert will be held at Carnegie Hall Nov. 14, the 47th anniversary of Bernstein's debut there as a pinch-hit conductor of the New York Philharmonic, which he served until his death as associate conductor, principal conductor and conductor laureate. A delegation of musicians from the Israel Philharmonic will participate.

The Oct. 28 ''Music for Life'' concert at Carnegie to benefit the Gay Men's Health Crisis, which Bernstein was to have conducted, will have a revised program as a tribute. James Levine, artistic director of the Metropolitan Opera, where Bernstein also conducted, will conduct a group of Benstein works.

The adagietto from the Fifth Symphony of Gustav Mahler was added to the symphonic programs of the New York Philarmonic and Boston and Chicago symphonies Tuesday as a salute to Bernstein, the foremost interpreter of Mahler's music and the leader in a so-called Mahler Renaissance.

Sony Classical announced that it will release over the next two years 75 compact discs of Bernstein's classical recordings with the New York Philharmonic and other orchestras, made when the Sony label was CBS Masterworks.

Deutsche Grammophon, for which Bernstein recorded exclusively in recent years, will release his latest Mozart, Schubert and Tchaikovsky recordings next month and hasten the release of 14 compact discs of recent records, including a large group of 20th century works by Rorem, Aaron Copland, Paul Hindemith, and David Del Tredici.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - NFL STATISTICS:

TEAM STATISTICS

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

Offense

	tot.	rush	pass
Houston	2290	440	1850
Kansas City	2096	810	1286
Cincinnati	2014	584	1430
Denver	1987	744	1243

New York	1942	799	1143
Seattle	1877	703	1174
San Diego	1793	808	985
Los Angeles	1771	695	1076
Cleveland	1602	414	1188
Miami	1553	538	1015
Pittsburgh	1526	539	987
Buffalo	1516	598	918
New England	1409	407	1002
Indianapolis	1276	317	959

Defense

	tot.	rush	pass
Miami	1282	412	870
Pittsburgh	1496	536	960
Buffalo	1540	638	902
Los Angeles	1599	527	1072
Houston	1608	550	1058
Indianapolis	1729	513	1216
San Diego	1756	581	1175
Cleveland	1761	663	1098
New England	1822	686	1136
Kansas City	1839	692	1147
Seattle	1923	611	1312
New York	2017	832	1185
Denver	2067	654	1413
Cincinnati	2404	640	1764

NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

Offense

	tot.	rush	pass
San Francisco	2044	349	1695
Minnesota	1976	727	1249
Tampa Bay	1916	744	1172
Chicago	1908	989	919
Green Bay	1890	508	1382
Detroit	1878	712	1166
Los Angeles	1822	459	1363
Atlanta	1816	386	1430
Philadelphia	1783	627	1156
Washington	1653	625	1028
New York	1572	564	1008
New Orleans	1459	521	938
Phoenix	1431	679	752
Dallas	1327	471	856

Defense

	tot.	rush	pass

New York	1221	353	868
Philadelphia	1372	345	1027
Phoenix	1507	618	889
Chicago	1517	548	969
New Orleans	1539	455	1084
Washington	1539	445	1094
San Francisco	1615	339	1276
Dallas	1814	791	1023
Minnesota	1878	865	1013
Atlanta	1912	303	1609
Los Angeles	1977	580	1397
Green Bay	2029	832	1197
Tampa Bay	2053	742	1311
Detroit	2311	1006	1305

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

SCORING

TOUCHDOWNS	td	rush	rec	ret	pts
Fenner, Sea	8	7	1	0	48
Brooks, Cin	5	1	4	0	30
Givins, Hou	5	0	5	0	30
Green, Pitt	5	0	5	0	30
Smith, Mia	5	5	0	0	30
Allen, LA	4	4	0	0	24
Baxter, NY	4	4	0	0	24
Bentley, Ind	4	3	1	0	24
Brown, Cin	4	0	4	0	24
Humphrey, Den	4	4	0	0	24
AMiller, SD	4	0	4	0	24
Okoye, KC	4	4	0	0	24

KICKING	ep-a	fg-a	lg	pts
Lowery, KC	17-17	13-15	44	56
Breech, Cin	17-17	11-12	46	50
Treadwell, Den	16-16	9-13	44	43
Leahy, NY	11-11	10-11	47	41
Norwood, Buf	13-14	9-14	48	40
Johnson, Sea	14-15	7-12	51	35
Anderson, Pitt	10-10	8-9	46	34
Jaeger, LA	15-15	6-8	49	33
Staurovsky, NE	8-8	8-10	53	32
Stoyanovich, Mia	12-12	6-6	51	30
Zendejas, Hou	18-19	4-9	34	30

PASSING	att	cmp	pct	yds	td	int
Schroeder, LA	124	72	58.1	1159	7	2
Moon, Hou	251	150	59.8	1904	16	9
Krieg, Sea	164	107	65.2	1294	7	6
DeBerg, KC	177	94	53.1	1375	8	3
O'Brien, NY	173	98	56.6	1265	4	2
Esiason, Cin	179	105	58.7	1471	11	10
Kelly, Buf	141	89	63.1	946	6	5
Brister, Pitt	143	84	58.7	991	6	6
Marino, Mia	157	91	58.0	984	6	6
Trudeau, Ind	102	57	55.9	747	4	5

PASS RECEIVERS

RECEPTIONS	no	yds	avg	td
Williams, Sea	32	264	8.3	0
Hill, Hou	31	433	14.0	3
Givins, Hou	30	477	15.9	5
Jeffires, Hou	29	315	10.9	2
Fernandez, LA	28	522	18.6	3
Johnson, Den	28	451	16.1	0
AMiller, SD	26	404	15.5	4
Langhorne, Cle	26	335	12.9	1
Lipps, Pitt	25	358	14.3	1
Duncan, Hou	25	281	11.2	0

YARDS	yds	no	avg	td
Fernandez, LA	522	28	18.6	3
Givins, Hou	477	30	15.9	5
Johnson, Den	451	28	16.1	0
Paige, KC	448	24	18.7	2
Hill, Hou	433	31	14.0	3
McGee, Cin	422	22	19.2	0
AMiller, SD	404	26	15.5	4
Gault, LA	371	20	18.6	1
Lipps, Pitt	358	25	14.3	1
Langhorne, Cle	335	26	12.9	1

INTERCEPTIONS	no	yds	lg	td
Hurst, NE	4	61	36	0
Lippett, NE	3	81	73	0
RJohnson, Hou	3	54	t30	1
Anderson, LA	3	49	31	0
Byrd, SD	3	34	21	0
Dishman, Hou	3	8	8	0
Woodruff, Pitt	2	51	28	0
Clifton, NY	2	39	39	0
Petry, KC	2	33	t33	1

Atwater, Den	2	32	27	0
Billups, Cin	2	29	29	0
Bussey, Cin	2	24	18	0
Harper, Sea	2	22	22	0
Rembert, NE	2	22	11	0
McKyer, Mia	2	21	21	0
Marion, NE	2	16	16	0
Griffin, Pitt	2	15	15	0
Smith, SD	2	12	12	0
Harden, LA	2	4	4	0
Fulcher, Cin	2	0	0	0
Hasty, NY	2	0	0	0
Kelso, Buf	2	0	0	0

RUSHING	att	yds	avg	lg	td
Humphrey, Den	109	568	5.2	t37	4
Butts, SD	105	505	4.8	42	3
Okoye, KC	134	484	3.6	32	4
Thomas, Buf	74	424	5.7	60	1
Fenner, Sea	82	357	4.4	28	7
Stephens, NE	81	319	3.9	22	1
Smith, Mia	72	302	4.2	27	5
Allen, LA	73	295	4.0	28	4
Word, KC	42	281	6.7	t53	2
Williams, Sea	70	279	4.0	22	1

PUNTING	no	lg	avg	blk	x-net
GrMontgomery, Hou	16	60	45.6	0	34.4
Hansen, NE	22	69	43.8	0	36.1
Horan, Den	22	58	43.6	1	37.6
Donnelly, Sea	18	49	42.8	0	33.2
Stark, Ind	17	54	42.5	1	35.9
Johnson, Cin	25	70	40.9	0	35.3
Kidd, SD	21	57	40.9	1	36.3
Prokop, NY	24	58	40.3	0	33.7
Wagner, Cle	31	58	39.9	4	30.6
Stryzinski, Pitt	30	51	39.2	0	36.5

x-net (team efficiency) - Total punt yards minus return yards, minus 20 yards for each punt over goal-line divided by total attempts including punts blocked.

PUNT RETURNS	no	yds	avg	lg	td
Price, Cin	14	158	11.3	t66	1
Woodson, Pitt	15	158	10.5	t52	1
Townsell, NY	9	88	9.8	16	0
TBrown, LA	12	114	9.5	39	0
Worthen, KC	15	135	9.0	37	0
Jefferson, Sea	8	68	8.5	14	0

Martin, Mia	15	106	7.1	35	0
Verdin, Ind	7	48	6.9	18	0
McNeil, Hou	9	45	5.0	10	0

KICKOFF RETURNS	no	yds	avg	lg	td
DSmith, Buf	10	238	23.8	38	0
RBrown, LA	9	203	22.6	34	0
Worthen, KC	8	179	22.4	32	0
Warren, Sea	11	242	22.0	71	0
Mathis, NY	15	313	20.9	32	0
Woodson, Pitt	10	201	20.1	30	0
Martin, NE	11	216	19.6	28	0
Simmons, Ind	13	250	19.2	34	0
Grant, Ind	12	230	19.2	29	0
Price, Cin	8	152	19.0	33	0

SACKS

Cross, Mia 7.0
DThomas, KC 7.0
Francis, Cin 6.0
Grossman, SD 6.0
Townsend, LA 6.0
Perry, Cle 5.0
BSmith, Buf 5.0
Childress, Hou 4.5
Fuller, Hou 4.5
Fletcher, Den 4.0
O'Neal, SD 4.0
Porter, Sea 4.0
Wallace, LA 4.0

NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

SCORING

TOUCHDOWNS	td	rush	rec	ret	pts
Anderson, Chi	8	6	2	0	48
Rice, SF	8	0	8	0	48
BSanders, Det	7	5	2	0	42
Rison, Atl	6	0	6	0	36
GAnderson, TB	5	3	2	0	30
Anderson, NY	4	4	0	0	24
Clark, Det	4	0	4	0	24
Walker, Min	4	1	3	0	24
ACarter, Min	3	0	3	0	18
Clark, Was	3	0	3	0	18
Gary, LA	3	3	0	0	18

HJones, Min	3	0	3	0	18
Mayes, NO	3	3	0	0	18
McGee, LA	3	0	3	0	18
Query, GB	3	0	2	1	18
ESmith, Dal	3	3	0	0	18
Taylor, SF	3	0	3	0	18
West, GB	3	0	3	0	18

KICKING	ep-a	fg-a	lg	pts
Christie, TB	14-14	12-13	55	50
Igwebuike, Min	15-15	11-12	48	48
Butler, Chi	16-16	10-13	52	46
Ruzek, Phi	12-13	11-13	44	45
Lohmiller, Was	13-13	10-13	55	43
Cofer, SF	14-14	9-14	56	41
Jacke, GB	10-11	9-11	53	37
Davis, Atl	17-17	6-8	51	35
Andersen, NO	9-9	8-9	52	33
Murray, Det	15-15	4-8	33	27

PASSING	att	cmp	pct	yds	td	int
Simms, NY	117	73	62.4	1010	8	1
Montana, SF	199	131	65.8	1792	14	5
Testaverde, TB	130	79	60.8	1193	8	2
Everett, LA	177	97	54.8	1428	11	4
Miller, Atl	177	103	58.2	1415	9	4
Harbaugh, Chi	110	69	62.7	877	5	3
Wilson, Min	88	47	53.4	619	7	3
Rypien, Was	85	42	49.4	578	4	0
Cunninghm, Phi	163	99	60.7	1262	8	7
Peete, Det	107	57	53.3	679	5	3

PASS RECEIVERS

RECEPTIONS	no	yds	avg	td
Rison, Atl	38	549	14.4	6
Rice, SF	35	574	16.4	8
Byars, Phi	33	336	10.2	0
Ellard, LA	27	460	17.0	2
Sharpe, GB	27	446	16.5	1
HJones, Min	27	443	16.4	3
Clark, Was	25	410	16.4	3
EMartin, NO	24	421	17.5	2
Johnson, Det	23	251	10.9	2
ACarter, Min	23	241	10.5	3
Novacek, Dal	23	228	9.9	2

YARDS	yds	no	avg	td

Rice, SF	574	35	16.4	8
Rison, Atl	549	38	14.4	6
Ellard, LA	460	27	17.0	2
Sharpe, GB	446	27	16.5	1
HJones, Min	443	27	16.4	3
EMartin, NO	421	24	17.5	2
Clark, Was	410	25	16.4	3
Anderson, LA	397	16	24.8	2
Taylor, SF	382	19	20.1	3
Jones, SF	344	22	15.6	2

INTERCEPTIONS	No	Yds	Lg	TD
Haddix, TB	5	146	t62	2
Stinson, Chi	4	59	30	0
Merriweather, Min	3	102	73	0
Green, Was	3	20	t18	1
Jackson, NY	3	3	5	0
Bowles, Was	2	72	43	0
Taylor, Phx	2	50	34	0
Robinson, TB	2	49	27	0
McDonald, Phx	2	43	38	0
Walls, NY	2	41	40	0
Rutland, Min	2	21	16	0
Lott, SF	2	19	15	0
Mitchell, Atl	2	16	16	0
Hopkins, Phi	2	13	10	0
PWilliams, NY	2	4	4	0
Waymer, SF	2	4	4	0
Dimry, Atl	2	3	3	0
Hamilton, TB	2	2	2	0
BSmith, Phi	2	1	1	0
Mayhew, Was	2	0	0	0

RUSHING	att	yds	avg	lg	td
Anderson, Chi	105	493	4.7	52	6
BSanders, Det	98	452	4.6	24	5
Johnson, Phx	93	423	4.5	35	2
GAnderson, TB	95	403	4.2	22	3
Byner, Was	69	299	4.3	16	1
ESmith, Dal	72	273	3.8	16	3
Cunningham, Phi	44	251	5.7	27	2
Fenney, Min	52	246	4.7	27	1
Toney, Phi	73	243	3.3	20	1
Walker, Min	69	243	3.5	21	1

PUNTING	no	lg	avg	blk	x-net
Landeta, NY	21	55	44.0	0	37.7
Saxon, Dal	31	58	43.4	0	38.0

Camarillo, Phx	20	53	43.3	0	37.5
Arnold, Det	22	58	43.0	0	36.6
Fulhage, Atl	22	59	42.5	0	37.0
Barnhardt, NO	21	54	41.6	1	34.4
Royals, TB	27	62	41.4	0	35.8
Mojsiejenko, Was	15	53	41.1	0	36.0
English, LA	22	58	40.9	0	32.9
Feagles, Phi	21	60	40.9	0	34.9

x-net (team efficiency) - Total punt yards minus return yards, minus 20 yards for each punt over goal-line divided by total attempts including punts blocked.

PUNT RETURNS	no	yds	avg	lg	td
Meggett, NY	10	136	13.6	t68	1
Query, GB	18	197	10.9	25	0
Gray, Det	16	166	10.4	39	0
Sikahema, Phx	11	105	9.5	20	0
Taylor, SF	11	100	9.1	30	0
Bailey, Chi	16	145	9.1	15	0
Sutton, LA	9	81	9.0	13	0
Drewrey, TB	9	69	7.7	16	0
Stanley, Was	12	91	7.6	23	0
Hargrove, Phi	7	48	6.9	13	0

KICKOFF RETURNS	no	yds	avg	lg	td
Gray, Det	14	382	27.3	65	0
Mitchell, Was	10	216	21.6	37	0
Meggett, NY	10	215	21.5	30	0
Sanders, Atl	10	209	20.9	26	0
Cobb, TB	9	187	20.8	45	0
Wilson, GB	13	270	20.8	29	0
Walker, Min	15	311	20.7	40	0
Fenerty, NO	11	225	20.5	58	0
Sikahema, Phx	9	182	20.2	27	0
Berry, LA	12	239	19.9	29	0

SACKS
White, Phi 7.0
Haley, SF 6.0
Armstrong, Chi 5.0
Dent, Chi 5.0
Thomas, TB 5.0
Randle, TB 4.5
Taylor, NY 4.5
THarris, GB 4.0
Brock, GB 3.0
Doleman, Min 3.0
Holt, SF 3.0

Marshall, Was 3.0
Nunn, Phx 3.0
Pitts, Phi 3.0
Reid, Atl 3.0
Strauthers, Min 3.0
Swilling, NO 3.0
Thomas, Min 3.0

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 73-76.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Old Kent Fincl	Q	.29	12-15	11-16
Usual				
Bob Evans Farms	Q	.06 1/2	12-3	11-9
Commerce Bancshares	Q	.18	12-31	12-10
Daniel Industries	Q	.04 1/2	12-14	11-19
Dial REIT Inc	Q	.42	11-12	10-30
Eastern Util Assoc	Q	.65	11-15	11-1
Hubco Inc	Q	.10	12-1	11-9
Ladd Furniture	Q	.07	11-15	11-1
PLM Intl	Q	.19	11-1	10-22
Puget Sound P&L	Q	.44	11-15	10-25
Weis Markets	Q	.15	11-26	11-5
Wisconsin Pub Sv	Q	.41 1/2	12-20	11-30

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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(repeating)
BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 16) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 64-70.

-30- 473
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(OCT. 16) UPI - Kuwait's prime minister in exile says Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will NOT get ''even a single inch'' of Kuwaiti territory in any settlement to get Iraqi troops out of the tiny emirate. Crown Prince Sheik Saad al Abdullah al Sabah told reporters in Saudi Arabia that the people of Kuwait are unequivocally opposed to concessions on Kuwaiti sovereighty. Syria also ruled out a compromise with Iraq.

There are unconfirmed reports in Moscow and Amman, Jordan, that Saddam is willing to pull out of most of Kuwait if he can keep an oil field and two strategic islands in the northern Persian Gulf. 12- hundred Kuwaitis ended a conference in Saudi Arabia yesterday. Conference participants... including members of the royal family and pro-democracy opposition groups... say all Kuwaitis are determined to liberate their homeland.

Pioneering work on financial economics, some of it going back to the 1950's, has won the 1990 Nobel prize for economics for three American professors. It's the first time three people have shared the honor since the first economics prize in 1969. The citation notes work in the 1950's by Professor Harry Markowitz of City University of New York. It says his discoveries were later expanded by professors Merton Miller of the University of Chicago and William Sharpe of Stanford University, each contributing work that would be meaningless if any of the three parts was left out.

Troops loyal to Lebanese President Hrawi have set up checkpoints around the French Embassy in east Beirut to prevent rebel Christian General Michel Aoun from fleeing the country for political asylum in France. French Embassy guards have been on maximum alert since Paris refused to turn Aoun over to Lebanon to face trial. Lebanese and Syrian troops forced Aoun and his advisers out of the presidential palace on Saturday, ending his two-year mutiny.

French President Francois Mitterrand says he will NOT hand Aoun over to the

Lebanese. He calls the situation a matter of honor for France. Hrawi wants to try Aoun for crimes against the nation and for the alleged embezzlement of 70-Million dollars. Lebanese lawmakers today met at the shell-pocked Parliament building in downtown Beirut and resumed constitutional activities.

U-S-Soviet military exchanges are becoming routine. Defense Secretary Cheney is in Moscow today on a four-day visit that will include talks with senior officials and tours of military installations. On Friday, Cheney will hold a joint news conference with Soviet Defense Minister Dmitri Yazov. The Soviet chief of staff visited the United States last week to sign an agreement for more super-power military exchanges.

Police in Jacksonville, Florida, are holding a 35-year-old suspect on six counts of murder, including that of his 29-year-old wife. Names of the victims and the suspect are being withheld until positive identifications are made. The bodies of the six victims... four of them children... were found in the burned-out rubble of their Jacksonville home. The suspect had been arrested twice before on charges of wife abuse.

The cost of running Britain's royal household will top 106-Million dollars this year. The figures on the latest Civil List released by Royal Trustees include all expenses for Queen Elizabeth and family members- everything from palaces to starch in the laundry. Prince Charles and his wife Diana are NOT included because they use money generated from his estates. The Queen has chosen NOT to live off money generated by crown lands. Instead, she turns the proceeds to the government in exchange for a budget that is drawn up for her.

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(FEB. 8) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
ALLTEL Corp (3rd Q)	
$397,137,000	$368,158,000
$46,796,000 (.57)	$40,902,000 (.49)
Amer Cyanamid (3rd Q)	
$1,056,300,000	$965,000,000
d-$154,000,000	$51,000,000 (.54)
d-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.	
Apache Corp (3rd Q)	
$64,958,000	$60,554,000
$9,456,000 (.21)	$5,080,000 (.15)

Banc One (3rd Q)
....
$109,068,000 (.68) $91,819,000 (.64)

Chambers Development (3rd Q)
$65,858,000 $48,185,000
$8,902,000 (.16) $7,331,000 (.14)

Dauphin Deposit Corp (3rd Q)
....
$12,086,000 (.95) $12,171,000 (.94)

Eli Lilly (3rd Q)
$1,281,800,000 $991,000,000
$256,800,000 (.90) $212,400,000 (.73)

Federal Signal (3rd Q)
$109,240,000 $98,538,000
a-$7,383,000 (.48) $5,720,000 (.37)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Flightsafety Intl (3rd Q)
$72,443,000 $57,359,000
$18,910,000 (.55) $16,131,000 (.47)

Glatfelter P H (3rd Q)
$151,577,000 $143,747,000
$20,164,000 (.85) $21,973,000 (.91)

Halbro Corp (3rd Q)
a-$45,127,000 $29,392,000
$512,000 (.12) d-$1,877,000
a-Includes $5,385,000 from the recently
acquired Sharon Manufacturing Co.
d-Deficit.

Honeywell Inc (3rd Q)
$1,561,900,000 $1,500,400,000
a-$86,800,000 (2.30) 67,800,000 (1.58)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Hubbell Corp (3rd Q)
$186,757,000 $164,292,000
$20,772,000 (.73) $19,055,000 (.67)

Huffy Corp (3rd Q)
$118,425,000 $103,359,000
$3,888,000 (.44) $3,499,000 (.41)

Inter-Regional Fncl (3rd Q)
$73,990,000 $81,805,000
d-$204,000 $1,205,000 (.15)
d-Deficit.

Louisiana-Pacific (3rd Q)
$450,900,000 $510,100,000
$21,200,000 (.57) $51,500,000 (1.34)

Loyola Capital (3rd Q)
....
$2,476,000 (.53) $2,585,000 (.51)

Lukens Inc (3rd Q 9-29)
$175,884,000 $166,805,000
$12,304,000 (1.42) $11,648,000 (1.31)

McGraw-Hill Inc (3rd Q)
$502,785,000 $452,185,000
$67,354,000 (1.38) $64,115,000 (1.31)

Media General (3rd Q)
$152,101,000 $142,291,000
$7,287,000 (.28) $3,941,000 (.15)

Mellon Bank (3rd Q)
....
$66,000,000 (1.19) $63,000,000 (1.16)

Mercantile Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
$15,036,000 (.93) d-$26,367,000
d-Deficit.

Micropolis Corp (3rd Q 9-28)
$99,834,000 $66,502,000
$2,878,000 (.25) d-$23,657,000
d-Deficit.

Microsoft Corp (1st Q)
$369,400,000 $235,200,000
$87,600,000 (.71) $49,600,000 (.43)

Puritan-Bennett Corp (3rd Q)
$61,603,000 $58,393,000
$3,967,000 (.35) $3,984,000 (.35)

Rohm & Hass (3rd Q)
$683,600,000 $623,000,000
$45,900,000 (.69) $32,600,000 (.49)

Scripps E W (3rd Q)
$321,694,000 $304,254,000
$17,416,000 (.23) $18,041,000 (.23)

Springs Indus (3rd Q 9-29)
$ 452,733,000 $463,474,000
d-$36,017,000 $13,265,000 (.74)
d-Deficit, includes a $70,000,000 provision for restructuring costs.

TJ Intl Inc (3rd Q)
$89,930,000 $103,897,000
$4,464,000 (.62) $5,419,000 (.75)

Union Bank (3rd Q)
....
$37,296,000 (1.08) $35,570,000 (1.05)

Valcom Inc (3rd Q 9-29)
$105,597,000 $92,800,000
$1,386,000 (.34) $1,406,000 (.31)

V F Corp (3rd Q 9-29)
$723,136,000 $695,392,000
$45,441,000 (.78) $51,965,000 (.80)

Whitman Corp (3rd Q)
$ 639,700,000 a-$607,000,000
d-$72,400,000 $30,100,000 (.20)
a-Restated to reflect discontinued operations.
d-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.
After an after-tax restructuring charge of $150,000,000.

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DALLAS (OCT. 16) UPI - Texas Instruments Inc. Tuesday cut about 450 employees from its defense group, bringing to about 950 the number of workers let go from the group since June when the planned job reductions were announced.

The cuts reflected reduced defense spending by the U.S. government and were necessary to keep operations aligned with market demand, the company said. TI is a major defense contractor and traditionally defense business has accounted for a third of the giant semiconductor company's reveneus and about 40 percent of its profits.

Those laid off Tuesday were mostly from the Dallas area but also included employees in Colorado Springs, Colo., and Ridge Crest Calif., TI spokeswoman Terri West said.

''We had said in June that we would reduce our work force in the defense business by about 1,000,'' West said. ''This is part of that. With today's action, about 950 workers have been affected.''

In the Dallas area, the job action affected employees at TI facilities in McKinney, Plano, Lewisville, Sherman and Denton.

West said employees at all levels in the corporation were affected.

West said they would receive severance pay, extended insurance protection and also would get outplacement assistance for the next two months.

Asked if there would be further cuts, West said, ''Given today's changing defense environment, it would be difficult to speculate.''

In June, TI said its defense and electronics group planned to reduce the work force by about 1,000 over the next 12 months. Counting Tuesday's terminations, it appeared TI had implemented the reductions far ahead of schedule. Prior to the announcement, the group had employed about 22,000 people, primarily in the United States.

In the June announcement, William B. Mitchell, president of the group, said, ''As we told stockholders at our annual meeting in April, we expect defense markets to decline for at least the first half of the 1990s as the U.S. Department of Defense adjusts to the changing world political environment.''

He said the company's strategy would be to ''size'' the defense business to the declining market and drive for increased market share after it stabilized.

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MIAMI (OCT. 16) UPI - Burger King Corp., the nation's No. 2 hamburger chain, laid off 300 corporate employees and closed seven regional offices in a restructuring it indicated was aimed at bolstering relations with franchisees, a spokeswoman said Tuesday.

Workers who lost their jobs were notified Monday, said Burger King spokesman Cori Zywotow. About 30 of those workers were based at the company's Miami headquarters. Others worked in offices that were closed.

The reductions leave Burger King with a corporate and regional staff of about 1,000. Overall, Burger King employs about 41,000 people.

The cuts represent the second round of layoffs at Burger King since Grand Metropolitan PLC acquired the fast-food company in January 1989. In April 1989 the company laid off 550 workers.

Also this week, the company closed seven of its 19 regional offices: Columbus, Ohio; Minneapolis, Nashville, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Greensboro, N.C., and Seattle.

Offices that remain open are in Chicago, New York, New Orleans, Atlanta, San Francisco, Richmond, Va., Dallas, Detroit, Boston, Tampa, Fla., Los Angeles and Miami.

Zywotow said the changes are part of a restructuring based in part on recommendations made by an outside consulting company. ''It is a new business strategy and operating philosophy,'' she said.

As part of that strategy, Burger King split its operations into two divisions. The 875 restaurants owned by the company have been grouped into a new retail division, Zywotow said.

Bob Stetson, former chief operating officer, was named to head the division.

''This division will be the company's largest franchisee, and will have to pay royalties, rents, advertising fees, just like the franchisees do,'' she said.

Burger King also formed a franchisee service and sales division, which will be responsible for delivering services to franchisees, who account for about 85 percent of the company's business.

Zwyotow said staff members who previously conducted franchisee audits will be freed of that task so that they can act as consultants to restaurant owners.

The company plans to hire 40 additional auditors to conduct those audits, she said.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - Hecklers opposed to U-S Persian Gulf policy interrupted President Bush's speech at a G-O-P rally in Des Moines, Iowa, today chanting- ''NO blood for oil.'' Bush responded saying- ''The fight isn't about oil. The fight is about naked aggression that will NOT stand.'' Security police then whisked two hecklers and a third demonstrator out of the Civic Center to the cheers of young Republicans.

The top adviser that Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev recently sent to Iraq is now traveling to Rome, Paris and Washington to report on what he found.

Yevgeny Primakov is one of the top Arab specialists in the Soviet government and is a member of Gorbachev's Presidential Council. Two weeks ago he was in Baghdad and Jordan, looking for a possible diplomatic solution to the stand-off. Top Soviet officials deny reports that Iraq softened its position after meeting with Primakov.

Three American professors will share this year's Nobel Prize in economics. Harry Markowitz of City University of New York, Merton Miller of the University of Chicago and Stanford University's William Sharpe are being honored for their ground-breaking work in theories of financial economics. They are the 16th, 17th and 18th Americans to win the economics prize since it was created in 1969. The award includes 700-thousand dollars in prize money.

South Korean Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon traveled to North Korea today for talks with his northern counterpart. The visit marks the first ever to North Korea by a South Korean prime minister. Kang proposes direct trade with the communist north and a visitor exchange of elderly residents from both sides. The talks are the second part of a series that began on September 4th in South Korea. The discussions are aimed at trying to erase some of the political divisions that separated Korea at the end of World War Two.

Leonard Bernstein spent most of his life as a composer-conductor in the public eye. Today he was laid to rest in Brooklyn in a private ceremony attended by his three children, other family members and a few close friends. But the quietness of the closed funeral is being overshadowed by a public outpouring of memories following his death over the weekend.

Musical tributes to Bernstein are planned all over the world in the next few months with New York City's official memorial set for Carnegie Hall on November 14th. That's the 47th anniversary of Bernstein's debut as a pinch-hit conductor for the New York Philharmonic.

Bailiffs checked I-D cards of spectators entering a Fort Lauderdale, Florida, courtroom where the obscenity trial of members of the rap group 2 Live Crew is under way. Broward County Judge June Johnson has ordered the trial closed to anyone under 18 while prosecutors play a digitally enhanced tape of a June concert that led to the obscenity charges. The judge decided that prosecutors canNOT give a transcript of the largely unintelligible tape to the jurors.

Flight attendants at U-S Air have agreed to a tentative 18-month contract with the airline. The pact, reached after more than one year of negotiations, was negotiated with the help of a federal mediator. The Association of Flight Attendants says a ratification vote is expected ''some time in late November.'' U-S Air recently canceled plans to expand and laid off hundreds of employees.

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WARSAW, Poland (OCT. 16) UPI - The election committee for Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki filed registration papers backed by 141,000 signatures Tuesday and promised a low-profile campaign because his present duties take absolute precedence.

Henryk Wozniakowski, a former government spokesman who heads the committee, led a group that delivered Mazowiecki's declaration of candidacy, which included a cartful of petitions - some in used Beefeater's Gin cardboard boxes.

''The fact that we managed to gather so many signatures in a short time is significant and is evidence of the large measure of support this candidacy enjoys,'' Wozniakowski told reporters.

The State Election Commission meets Wednesday and is expected to consider the application, which was signed by 141,000 Poles.

Under the law, a candidate must register before raising and spending money on the election campaign. For a candidate to be considered for the presidency, 100,000 valid signatures are required.

The Mazowiecki campaign is expected to contrast sharply with that of Solidarity leader Lech Walesa, who has been barnstorming across the country since announcing his candidacy two weeks ago.

''Our candidate as a responsible politician has to give precedence in his political calendar to tasks related to directing the governments current work '' Wozniakowski said. ''We are planning literally a few meetings with the voters.''

In Gdansk, U.S. Ambassador Thomas Simons met with Walesa for an hour and discussed the present situation in Poland as well as the campaign.

''Poland has a chance to have two good candidates for president,'' he told reporters afterward. ''We are awaiting further development of the election campaign.''

Walesa, who is Mazowiecki's main opponent among the 14 announced presidential candidates, offered to hold a public debate with Mazowiecki before the election Nov. 25.

''We are thinking about it, but it is not certain if such a debate (between the two) is legal when there are so many candidates,'' Wozniakowski said.

Adam Szostkiewicz, a spokesman for the committee, said along with other documents, a letter was filed containing suggestions for access to the state television and radio by various candidates.

State Radio-TV Chairman Andrzej Drawicz has proposed one hour of television time for the entire campaign. The State Election Commission meets to discuss the media rules Oct. 18.

''One hour for the whole campaign is far too little,'' Szostkiewicz said. ''We suggest two hours and we propose to include responses (by the candidates) and corrections into the limit so as not to bore our potential electorate.''

Wozniakowski said the committee will seek a bank loan of $100,000 to start with.

Two recent public opinion polls by private companies showed Walesa ahead at this early stage of the campaign. A national poll showed him edging Mazowiecki by 5 percent, while a survey in Warsaw showed him 14 percent ahead.

Szostkiewicz did not comment on the results but noted the second poll was ordered by the Center Alliance, the main group which backs Walesa. He said his committee plans to order a poll as well.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (OCT. 16) UPI - The judge hearing the obscenity trial of rap group 2 Live Crew refused Tuesday to allow prosecutors to give jurors a transcript of the band's controversial concert, saying it could unduly influence the jury's perception of the performance.

Courtroom spectators were asked for proof of age at the door and no one under 18 was allowed to hear prosecutors' digitally enhanced recording of the Miami group's June performance at Club Futura in Hollywood.

The 50-minute tape, made by undercover sheriff's deputies, was played while Broward County Judge June Johnson followed along, reading the government's transcript as the music blared from two large speakers.

Prosecutors wanted to distribute the transcript to jurors to help them understand the largely unintelligible tape of the concert, held two days after a federal judge ruled songs from the group's album, ''As Nasty As They Wanna Be,'' were obscene.

In disallowing the transcript, Johnson said it could distort the jury's perception of the concert because it contained added information, including descriptions of what was happening on the stage, and cautioned that graphic language would follow.

''I do believe this would detract from the jury's ability to judge the performance as a whole,'' she said. The judge later swore in the jury and sequestered the panel for the duration of the trial.

The ruling was the first of two victories Tuesday for attorneys representing bandleader Luther Campbell, Mark Ross and Christopher Wongwon, who are charged with a misdemeanor offense of giving an obscene performance. If convicted, each would face a maximum penalty of a year in jail and a $1,000 fine.

Johnson also dealt prosecutors a blow when she refused to allow information about an earlier concert to be presented.

On the night in question, the band gave an earlier concert for fans under 18 that did not contain the graphic language or simulated sex acts of the later performance for people older than 18.

Assistant State Attorney Leslie Robson said that Campbell's caution to the first audience that he could not perform the ''X-rated'' version showed that he intended to perform an obscene concert later.

The defense argued the first concert was irrelevant because the band members were only charged with what was said during the second concert.

Before listening to the tape, Johnson was told a school class and other young people wanted to watch the proceedings, prompting the judge to order bailiffs to ask for identification from anyone who looked younger than 18.

''If they're not (18), they will be turned away,'' the judge said.

Johnson sat expressionless while prosecutors played the tape. A few spectators quietly nodded and tapped their feet to the rhythm.

Some suppressed giggles when the group chanted, ''F-- Navarro. F--, F-- Navarro,'' a reference to Broward County Sheriff Nick Navarro, whose deputies arrested the band.

When prosecutors said they also had another version of the tape, the judge said, ''If we do listen to another tape, I'd like to move the speaker,'' referring to one about three feet from her desk. ''I heard very well.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - ''The Simpsons'' finally went head-to-head with original programming against ''The Cosby Show,'' and ''Cosby'' came out a winner - but just barely, it was reported Tuesday.

''The Cosby Show'' slipped from No. 2 the previous week to seventh place in the Nielsen ratings, with ''The Simpsons'' tied for eighth. The numbers show how close it really was - an 18.5 rating and a 29 share for ''Cosby,'' and an 18.4 rating and a 29 share for ''The Simpsons.''

Preston Beckman, vice president, research, for NBC, pointed out that the big ratings for ''The Simpsons'' on Fox was not at the expense of ''Cosby.'' They meant more people were watching television.

''If you look at the first three weeks of 'Cosby' originals and compare them with the first night of 'Cosby' against an original 'Simpsons,' there's virtually no change in the 'Cosby' numbers,'' Beckman said.

For the first three shows, he said, Cosby averaged a 19.2 rating and a 32 share, which means 'Cosby' was down seven-tenths of a rating point.

''The HUT (homes using television) level was about six percent higher this past Thursday night,'' Beckman said.

NBC's strategy of targeting women during the baseball season paid off - ''Jackie Collins' Lucky/Chances,'' part 3 came in fourth for the week, while part 2 tied for 15th.

CBS expressed satisfaction with the ratings performance of the major league playoff games, despite its third place finish for the week. The network said the six primetime playoff games - three last week, three the previous week - improved the CBS ratings performance by nine percent compared to the regular programming it replaced.

Baseball gave CBS its highest-rated Wednesday night of the season and the Friday game - the most-watched of the playoffs - helped CBS win the night for the first time this season.

In the Sunday movie competition, ABC won with ''In Defense Of A Married Man'' in 31st place, followed by NBC's ''A Quiet Little Neighborhood, A Perfect Little Murder'' tied for 41st and CBS's ''Murder Times Seven'' in 50th.

Among the new shows, the highest-ranked was ''America's Funniest People'' (ABC), in 12th place, followed by ''Fresh Prince of Bel Air'' (NBC), 29th; ''Law & Order'' (NBC) and ''Married People'' (ABC), tied for 38th; ''Ferris Bueller'' (NBC), 45th; ''The Fanelli Boys'' (NBC), 46th; ''Uncle Buck'' (CBS) and ''Going Places'' (ABC), tied for 47th.

''American Dreamer'' (NBC) came in 53rd; ''Babes'' (Fox), 56th; ''Working It Out'' (NBC), 57th; ''Get A Life'' (Fox), 61st; ''Good Grief'' (Fox), tied for 66th; ''Parenthood'' (NBC), 68th.

Down at the bottom are ''The Flash'' (CBS), 71st; ''Cop Rock'' (ABC), 72nd; ''Parker Lewis'' (Fox), 73rd; ''Beverly Hills 90210'' (Fox), 75th; ''Family Man'' (CBS), 77th; ''Lifestories'' (NBC) tied for 78th; ''True Colors'' (Fox), 82nd; ''Hull High'' (NBC), 83rd; ''DEA'' (Fox), 86th; ''American Chronicles'' (Fox), 87th and ''Against the Law'' (Fox), at the bottom in 88th.

In the ratings for the week ending Oct. 14, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., NBC won with a 13.7 rating and a 23 share. ABC was second with a 13.2 rating and a 22 share, while CBS posted a 12.0 rating and a 20 share.

In the four-week-old season-to-date, NBC leads with a 13.2 rating and 22 share followed by ABC with a 12.7 rating and a 22 share, just ahead of CBS with a 12.5 rating and a 21 share.

Night-by-night competition saw NBC win Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. ABC took Sunday and Monday and CBS won Friday.

ABC's ''World News Tonight'' was No. 1 for the 40th consecutive week, with an11.0 rating and a 22 share. ''NBC Nightly News'' with Tom Brokaw was second with a 9.9 rating and a 20 share. ''CBS Evening News'' with Dan Rather was sabotaged by baseball on Wednesday. Nielsen, which originally gave it a 7.9 rating and a 16 share, withdrew those ratings in order to refigure the week.

Each ratings point represents about 921,000 households. A share is the percentage of TV sets in use that are tuned to a particular show or network.

The top programs for the week ending Sunday, Oct. 14, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., were:

1. Cheers (NBC) 2. Roseanne (ABC) 3. A Different World (NBC) 4. Lucky/Chances, part 3 (NBC) 5. America's Funniest Home Videos (ABC) 6. 60 Minutes (CBS) 7. The Cosby Show (NBC) 8. (tie) Who's The Boss? (ABC) The Simpsons (Fox) 10: (tie) Empty Nest (NBC) Head Of The Class (ABC)

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KHARTOUM, Sudan (OCT. 16) UPI - The govenrment warned Tuesday it would shoot down unauthorized food aid planes in southern Sudan in a bitter intensification of a war of words with famine relief donors.

Col. Mohamed Amin Khalifa, a member of the country's ruling Revolutionary Command Council, said in a newspaper interview that the Sudanese air force retains the right to shoot down any unidentified plane flying over Sudanese airspace or breaching provisions of an agreement concluded with the United Nations for airlifting relief supplies into southern Sudan.

Sudan has complained in recent weeks that U.N. agencies and other relief organizations have sent famine relief supplies only to areas held by rebels fighting a seven-year war in the south against domination by the Islamic north.

It has also complained, as has former President Jimmy Carter, that the United States is playing politics with up to 6 million famine- threatened lives by

withholding aid because Sudan supports Iraq in the Persian Gulf conflict.

Khalifa said the United States had ''miscalculated its move in trying to famish and apply the policy of starving Sudan into submission.''

The United States last week diverted a 90,000-ton food ship from Port Sudan on the Red Sea to Djibouti because of reports the Khartoum government had bombed refugee camps in southern Sudan.

Harvest failures, displacement of people and logistical problems caused by the civil war mean that 5 million Sudanese and 1 million Ethiopian refugees are at risk of starvatuib in the next year, Western aid officials have warned.

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NEW DELHI, India (OCT. 16) UPI - Black leader Nelson Mandela welcomed the repeal of one of South Africa's main apartheid laws, but said Tuesday anything less than granting full voting rights to all South Africans was ''basically no solution whatsoever.''

The deputy president of the African National Congress made his remarks during a news conference on the second day of a five-day visit to India, where he is being treated as a head of state.

Asked about South Africa's abolition Monday of its Separate Amenities Act, a mainstay of apartheid legislation, Mandela said the ''removal of any measure of apartheid in South Africa is a clear step forward and we welcome all such changes.''

The 37-year-old law segregated public facilities such as toilets and swimming pools. The repeal of the law was the first major reformist measure introduced by President Frederik De Klerk, who has pledged to repeal all racist laws.

''But let us be clear as to the issues in South Africa,'' Mandela added. ''The issue in South Africa is the extension of the vote to all South Africans irrespective of their color and political views, and anything less than that is basically no solution whatsoever.''

Mandela said that the fight in South Africa was ''over the demand of one person, one vote.

''And as long as that demand has not been conceded any other measure, any other change, will remain peripheral and is not going to affect at all the demands that are being made by the people and the strategies that have been adopted to bring about democratic change in South Africa, '' Mandela said.

Earlier in the day, the government presented Mandela with India's highest

civilian award, the Bharat Ratna. He is only the second foreigner to receive the honor.

On Wednesday, Mandela is scheduled to fly to Agra to visit the Taj Mahal before traveling on to the Hindu holy city of Varanasi to receive a doctorate degree from the Banaras Hindu University.

Mandela, who is accompanied by a five-member delegation, is then slated to fly to Calcutta Thursday morning to receive the prestigious Jamanlal Bajaj award for his contribution to humanity.

He is scheduled to leave India for Brunei Friday. Also planned are visits to Malaysia, Indonesia, Australia and Japan before he returns to Johannesburg.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 16) UPI - A ministerial-level conference on the environment in Asia concluded Tuesday with a call for ''sustainable development'' and for the industrial countries to pay most of the costs of cleaning up the environment.

''The major cause of the continuing deterioration of the global environment is the unsustainable pattern of production and consumption, particularly in industrialized countries,'' said a declaration unanimously approved by the 42 nations attending the conference.

The declaration said ''the responsibility for containing, reducing and eliminating environmental damage must be borne by the countries causing such damage.''

It asked for increases in voluntary contributions towards implementing environmental projects from the major industrial countries, who were represented at the conference along with most of the countries of Asia and the Pacific.

However, the conference - organized by the U.N. Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific - failed to complete a planned regional strategy on evironmentally sound development.

The conference was one of several leading up to the worldwide U.N. Conference on Environment and Development scheduled to take place in Brazil in 1992.

A lengthy regional environmental report said forest destruction, desertification, soil erosion, flooding, destruction of mangroves and corals, air and water pollution, the destruction of the ozone layer and global warming due to emission of ''greenhouse'' gases posed a serious threat to the region.

''Economic growth should be directed towards environmentally sound and sustainable development,'' the declaration said.

It also called for more effective control on population growth, recommended strengthening non-governmental organizations working for environmental protection and affirmed the right of the public to be informed of environmental problems and take part in efforts to solve them.

''This is an historic event for the Asia-Pacific region,'' said S.A.M.S. Kibria, executive secretary of the U.N. economic commission.

''For the first time a multi-disciplinary approach to sustainable development has been adopted,'' he said.

He said the conference's conclusions and reports would have a major impact on the policies of the national governments and international organizations involved.

Kibria warned, however, a downturn in world economic growth from the crisis in the Persian Gulf could reduce the amount of money available to carry out environmental projects

''If the (world economic) growth rate is affected, I don't expect the development and environmental protection efforts will prosper,'' he said. ''I think there will be a very negative impact.''

Kibria said the Asia strategy outline was held up by differences over the roles to be played by countries at different levels of development.

He said, however, that work on the regional strategy would continue and a deadline was set for it to be finished by February, 1991.

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AUSTIN, Texas (OCT. 16) UPI - U.S. crude oil reserves could be increased 5.9 billion barrels if Congress provided new incentives to encourage companies to extract hard-to-get oil, a new study said Tuesday.

And the report said the incentives would attract $50 billion in investments in petroleum production while increasing U.S. production by another 130 million barrels annually by the late 1990s.

Other benefits would include the creation of 53,000 new jobs nationwide and an increase in national income of $5.1 billion by the end of the century.

The study by the University of Texas' Bureau of Economic Geology and Southwest Econometrics Inc., said the new incentives should include a 10 percent

investment tax credit that would cover expensive ''advanced secondary recovery'' techniques.

Those methods include horizontal drilling, geologically targeted infill drilling, cross-reservoir flooding with water and drilling for ''bypassed oil.''

The study, commissioned by the governor's office, said the Enhanced Oil and Gas Recovery Tax Act of 1989 should be expanded to include a 10 percent investment tax credit and ''advanced secondary recovery'' techniques should qualify for any new incentives.

The 1989 federal law provides incentives to drillers using ''enhanced oil recovery,'' but the report said the incentives should be extended to oil ''contained in reservoirs of such complexity that recovery is inhibited.''

The proposed new incentives would provide ''an effective, low-cost means of encouraging development of U.S. oil reserves that, along with other initiatives, will allow the U.S. to stabilize and perhaps reverse its production decline and to hold rising import levels in check.''

About one-fourth of the 8 million barrels of oil imported daily by the United States comes from the troubled Persian Gulf area, which has been in turmoil since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Texas Railroad Commission says it has already identified about 8 billion barrels of oil that could be produced in Texas through enhanced recovery techniques.

The commission said enhanced recovery techniques have been attempted in only about 3,000 of the more than 75,000 oil reservoirs that have been discovered in Texas.

Texas produces nearly 2 million barrels of oil daily.

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SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (OCT. 16) UPI - At least 14 people were killed in heavy fighting as government troops swept through rebel strongholds in northern El Salvador, military sources said Tuesday.

''The army engaged in heavy fighting with rebel units Monday, killing 12 (rebels) in the rural zone near the town of Jocoaitique, Morazan,'' an armed forces spokesman said.

The spokesman said two soldiers were killed and three others were wounded during the operation.

The clandestine Radio Venceremos of the rebel Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, confirmed ''fierce combat'' in the area and said the rebels injured or killed eight soldiers. They did not give their casualty figures.

The northern part of Morazan province, about 70 miles northeast of San Salvador, has long been a rebel stronghold. Government troops rarely enter the area, but they do make occasional wide-scale raids.

Area residents reported heavy rocketing by the Salvadoran air force in the Jocoaitique area of Morazan province Sunday night, and the military said it dismantled three guerrilla camps near the town.

Government troops dismantled six other guerrilla camps during recent sweeps in the central provinces of Cabanas and Usulutan, army sources said.

The move against rebel positions cames as Defense Minister Rene Emilio Ponce denounced rebel threats to launch an offensive, saying such a move by the guerrillas would undermine ongoing negotiations to find a political solution to El Salvador's decade-old civil war that has cost more than 72,000 lives, mostly civilians.

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RALEIGH, N.C. (OCT. 16) UPI - In probably the most incendiary race of the political season, North Carolina Republican Jesse Helms and Democrat Harvey Gantt can agree on one thing - their battle for the U.S. Senate is a fight for the future.

And with polls showing the arch-conservative Helms and the liberal black Democrat Gantt in a virtual dead heat, there is little indication of what exactly will shift the electorate to the left or right.

That the race is in North Carolina only adds to the confusion. After all, this state has sent Helms to the Senate for 18 years, while also electing Sen. Terry Sanford, one of the more liberal Democrats in the Senate.

''If Gantt does win, it is because he was an acceptable candidate on

the ballot in a year when North Carolinians decided Helms represented the past and not the future,'' said Larry Sabato, government professor at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville.

''This is a struggle for the future,'' said Sabato. ''That's the way Gantt is portraying it. Helms, of course, is portraying it the same way. He portrays Gantt as the candidate of the future the people might not want. Gantt attempts

to present himself as the future and Helms as the past.''

The most recent poll shows Gantt, a former two-term mayor of Charlotte, with 43.5 percent of the vote to 42.7 percent for Helms and 9 percent undecided. The survey had a margin of error of about 4 percent.

Unlike races in some states, where candidates use moderate positions to fight for the same middle-of-the-road voters, there is little effort by Helms or Gantt to hide their differences.

With three weeks to go to Election Day, North Carolinians have become used to both candidates taking the offensive against each other. But neither has managed to land a truly heavy punch.

Gantt, 47, has hammered away at the need to improve education, better protect the environment and provide more health care for the poor and elderly.

Helms, 68, has taken the conservative high ground, criticizing Gantt's support for abortion, tax increases for Charlotte during his stint as mayor, and calling Gantt ''extremely liberal with the facts.''

Virtually unspoken has been the issue of race.

If he wins, Gantt, who was first black admitted to Clemson University, would be the first black to capture a statewide office in North Carolina since Reconstruction. Only last year, voters in the neighboring state of Virginia elected the nation's only black governor when they sent Democrat Douglas Wilder to Richmond.

But Sabato said the issues will not make or break the election. Instead, he claimed, it will turn on the timeliness of Helms's unwavering conservatism - and whether the state still wants to be identified with his ideology.

''Helms has been the issue since he began his Senate career,'' said Sabato. ''If anything, that fact has become more pronounced over the years. The longer he's in, the more controversial Helms seems.''

That controversy seems to have reached a new height this year with Helms's aggressive positions against federal funding of various arts projects and large increases in AIDS research funding.

Seeing the race as a chance to drive out an enemy, artists and actors in New York and San Francisco, citing Helms's attack on the National Endowment for the Arts, have rallied to Gantt's cause with fund-raisers.

As of the financial reports filed Tuesday, Gantt had raised about $4 million, with about $3.2 million of that coming between July 1 and Sept. 30. Helms's figures were not available Tuesday, but for the first half of the year he had

raised nearly $8 million.

Liberal activists also have been vocal about their opposition to Helms, but the incumbent has tried to make the most of that.

Helms last Friday canceled a speech in Georgia after 800 demonstrators gathered outside to protest his opposition to AIDS relief policies. He then told 125 supporters in a weekend rally in Greenville, N.C., that Gantt ''has all my enemies as his supporters.''

''I would rather 10 times over lose with you than win with that crowd. Mr. Gantt can have them,'' said Helms to thunderous applause. ''I think God is giving this country one more chance to save itself. What's going on in this country, what is being condoned ... if something doesn't happen in this country, maybe we ought to apologize to Sodom and Gomorrah.''

For his part, Gantt has tried to sell his candidacy as one for the downtrodden.

''You are going to have to ask yourself this question: 'What did I vote for? Did I vote for my children? Did I vote for poor people? Did I vote for health care? Did I vote for the environment?''' he said.

Still, Sabato said those issues and even the federal budget mess and the Persian Gulf crisis - Helms initially opposed sending U.S. troops without backup from allies - will have little impact in a race with such strong ideological differences.

''Helms presents a stark choice,'' said Sabato. ''I don't see any one issue, cause or interest group being all that critical.

''Jesse Helms is the issue the election is about. It is in essence, a referendum on Jesse Helms. It just may be that North Carolina may have changed to the point that they'll elect someone else.''

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BOSTON (OCT. 16) UPI - Changes in the Medicare system aimed at cutting costs led to patients being sent home from hospitals faster and more often in less stable condition, but did not apparently increase deaths, researchers reported Tuesday.

For a $3.9 million, government-funded study, researchers at the RAND Corp. of Santa Monica, Calif., studied 14,012 Medicare patients, comparing those hospitalized in 1981 and 1982 to those hospitalized in 1985 and 1986.

In 1983, the goverment implemented the so-called diagnosis-related group, or DRG system, which involves reimbursing doctors caring for Medicare patients

based on a set fee for a type of diagnosis rather than for the actual cost of care.

The average time spent in the hospital in 1985 and 1986 was 3.4 days - a decline of 24 percent from 1981 and 1982, the researchers reported in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Slightly more patients also were sent home in unstable condition after the changes, prompting the researchers to recommend doctors try to avoid discharging patients with problems such as rapid heart beat, fast breathing or confusion or care for such people better after they are sent home.

The study found, however, that the death rate within 30 days of admission for patients hospitalized in 1985 and 1986 was 1.1 percent lower than for those hospitalized in 1981 and 1982, the researchers said.

Despite the shorter stays, patients in 1985 and 1986 tended to be sicker than those in 1981 and 1982, perhaps because of more stringent admission standards, the researchers said.

Although the percentage of patients receiving care the researchers classified as ''poor'' or ''very poor'' declined from 25 percent before the changes to 12 percent afterward, poor care remains a serious concern, the researchers said.

Those receiving very poor care were nearly twice as likely to die within 30 days of hospital admission than those who got very good care.

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AMMAN, Jordan (OCT. 16) UPI - Prime Minister Mudar Badran denied Tuesday that trucks moving between Iraq and Jordan were carrying goods in violation of the U.N. trade embargo, saying they were loaded with furniture of Jordanians returning from Kuwait.

In an interview with the English-language daily, the Jordan Times, to be published on Wednesday, Badran reaffirmed that his kingdom was abiding by the U.N.-imposed trade sanctions on Iraq, Jordan's main trading partner.

''Jordan is strictly abiding by the Security Council Resolution 661 imposing trade sanctions on Iraq,'' Badran said. ''If there is any movement of trucks between Jordan and Iraq, it is strictly based on moving the furniture from Kuwait to Jordanian nationals who have returned.''

Badran said that the trucks going from Jordan to Iraq were empty.

He added that out of the 420,000 Jordanian nationals living in Kuwait, mostly of whom were of Palestinian origin, 130,000 have been repatriated since Iraq

invaded the small oil-rich Gulf state on Aug. 2.

Badran said that Jordan's economic losses resulting from complying with the trade embargo on Iraq was estimated at $110 million for 1990, and $250 million for 1991.

He added that because of the Persian Gulf crisis, Jordan had already lost $250 million this year in the tourism industry.

Jordan suffers one of the highest per capita national debts with $8.5 billion and has been complaining that the country needed to be compensated for abiding by the sanctions on Iraq.

Although the government said they needed $1.5 billion by the end of this year to cover its losses from the crisis, only a trickle of aid has come in from Japan and Germany.

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CAMP MIDWAY, Saudi Arabia (OCT. 16) UPI - Comedian Steve Martin, the ''wild and crazy guy'' whose ''well excuuuuse me'' line entered American lingo, visited U.S. troops in the desert Tuesday but kept it more a social call than a show.

The first entertainer brought to Saudi Arabia by the USO, Martin and his wife, actress Victoria Tennant, signed autographs, cracked a few jokes and walked among about 500 members of the 24th Infantry Division, an M-1 tank unit based at Fort Stewart, Ga.

Climbing aboard one of the huge tanks, Martin joked ''we're going to put a condo here'' next to the tank bearing a sign reading ''Speed and Power Beach Club.''

''The pool is on the other side,'' said Martin, who starred this year in the movie ''My Blue Heaven.''

He explained to the troops that rather than putting on a show - ''they said they didn't want us to do a show'' - that he would just talk with the soldiers.

''What we're going to do is do what they call grip and grin - we grip your hand and grin at you. It's all we can do.''

''We also have a few souveniers for you,'' said Martin, who arrived from an earlier stop on a Blackhawk helicopter in camouflage clothing, sporting a variety of badges and pilot's wings from units he has visited.

He kept the appearance low key, walking through the ranks and handing out

cards and fliers bearing his picture. His wife signed hear name to a large banner with a caricature of Martin with his trademark arrow through the head. The banner bore the slogan ''Martin for President.'' Martin later also signed it.

Martin and his wife were the first civilians the troops had seen in some time other than an occasional Bedouin passing through. Morale was bolstered by the visit to soldiers who groused about their chow and the fact that they had just gotten their sleeping cots.

Martin, who made five such stops on Tuesday, will be visiting troops until Sunday.

One soldier asked if he could stay, and Martin joked, ''Oh God, I've got a meeting.''

Although he did not put on a show, be banteared with reporters.

He said he decided to visit the troops because ''I felt guilty. Everybody coming out here, giving up part of their lives for this effort. I had some time off and I felt kind of bad just sitting there, so I came.''

He passed on one opportunity to rip off a one-liner about the gulf crisis, declaring ''It's not too funny,'' but he did say, ''I've got the answer for Saddam Hussein. If the press would just keep talking about his mistress, his wife would kill him.''

He said other personalities, such as boxer Thomas Hearns would be coming to visit the troops.

At the end of his visit Martin walked around the tank where a USO camera crew taped a public service spot in which Martin posed before a tank covered with soldies and said, ''Mr. President, I'm Steve Martin, and the proceeds of your call will go to the USO and all the great people serving here.''

The soldiers shouted in unison, ''Thank you, America.''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - The president of the National Bureau of Economic Research said Tuesday the Federal Reserve should lower short-term interest rates but should not alter its focus on six percent growth in the Gross National Product.

Martin Feldstein, in a speech to a forum sponsored by the American Stock Exchange, said current short-term interest rates could lead to negative GNP growth.

But, he said the Fed's focus should remain on sustaining six percent growth in GNP, even if that leads to a temporary stretch of tough economic sledding. "If the Fed sticks to its strategy we'll see a slowdown for the next two quarters and gradual acceleration in mid-1991," he said.

Feldstein said the economy is now in a slowdown phase, but cautioned that "one month of downturn doesn't make a recession." Feldstein also urged the Fed to increase the stock of money by aiming for a nine percent gain in monetary growth for the next six months and a six percent growth rate for the following 12 months. "(Monetary) growth is too low this year to support six percent GNP growth," he said.

Feldstein said it would be "appropriate" for the Federal Reserve to lower short-term interest rates should an agreement be reached the federal budget. Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan has said he would move toward easing if a "credible" budget solution is hammered out. Greenspan, who also addressed the forum, limited his comments to Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union.

Turning to the dollar, Feldstein said market pressures are likely to continue pushing the value of the dollar down against other major currencies. "It would be wrong to pursue tighter monetary policy to prevent a further decline in the dollar," he said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - The federal government sued two steel companies and a metal manufacturer Tuesday for polluting Indiana waterways that feed into Lake Michigan.

"Pollution has been a persistent problem in Northwest Indiana and cleanup is an important part in each of these cases," said Valdas Adamkus, regional administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

"Companies in Northwest Indiana are expected to be good environmental citizens " he said. "They must not only comply with environmental laws but also accept responsibility for the problems they have created and then ignored."

The manufacturers are charged with violating the federal Clean Water Act, the Safe Drinking Water Act, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act and the Clean Air Act.

The lawsuits, filed in the Northern District of Indiana and announced in Washington, charge the companies with polluting the Grand Calumet River and Indiana Harbor, waterways that lead to Lake Michigan.

The three manufacturers named in the civil cases operate in Indiana. They

include the East Chicago plant of Inland Steel Co., the Burns Harbor plant of Bethlehem Steel Corp. and the Whiting facility of Federated Metals Corp. The Justice Department said the maximum possible penalty under each statute is $25,000 per day per violation.

The lawsuit against Inland Steel seeks to prevent the company from illegally dumping pollutants into the Grand Calumet River and the Indiana Harbor and to meet air pollution control requirements. The lawsuit also seeks an investigation and cleanup of contamination from Inland's facility, located on a 2.5-mile man-made peninsula on Lake Michigan.

The lawsuit against Bethlehem seeks to have the company comply with hazardous waste disposal laws at its Burns Harbor site. The government is seeking to have Federated Metals identify and clean up toxic waste disposed at its old secondary smelter in Whiting.

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DHAKA, Bangladesh (OCT. 16) UPI - Coalitions representing various opposition parties announced plans Tuesday for demonstrations and rallies to press their demand for the ouster of President Hussain Mohammad Ershad.

The parties and alliances, meeting at separate rallies, said the protests would culminate Nov. 10 in a full-day general strike.

The planned events were scheduled to begin Friday with a day of mourning in memory of the eight people, including three students, who died in the past week when police fired on anti-government protesters.

Subsequent events will include ''agitation day'' on Sunday, a protest rally Oct. 23 at police headquarters, and protest rallies Nov. 5 at radio and television stations demanding the broadcast of what the parties consider objective news.

The opposition includes an eight-party alliance led by the Awami League, a seven-party alliance led by the Bangladesh Nationalist Party, a five-party left alliance, and the Islamic fundamentalist party Jamaat- e Islami.

The opposition party leaders said they will continue their joint actions until they succeed in ousting Ershad, who took power in a bloodless coup in March 1982.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis continues to dog President Bush. The president was hit with a vivid reminder of the challenge he faces during a

speech to a Republican campaign rally in Des Moines today. Hecklers shouted ''Mr. President, bring our troops home from Saudi Arabia!'' and ''NO blood for oil!''

Kuwait's exiled premier says his government won't give up ''even a single inch'' of territory to Iraq in any settlement if Kuwait is liberated. Crown Prince Sheik Saad al Sabah apparently was responding to unconfirmed reports that Saddam Hussein is willing to withdraw from the rest of Kuwait if he can keep an oil field and two strategic islands in the Gulf.

For the very first time, the Nobel Prize in Economics has been awarded jointly to three people... all American university professors. Harry Markowitz of New York, Merton Miller of Chicago and William Sharpe of California received the prestigious prize today for pioneering work in the theory of financial economics.

Egyptian police today discovered a bomb in a crowded area of downtown Cairo near the Nile Hilton and safely defused it. Police say the bomb as placed in an oil can at the entrance of a metro station and timed to go off at rush hour to cause heavy casualties. Police don't know if the incident is linked to Friday's assassination in the capital of the speaker of parliament.

Conductor-composer Leonard Bernstein was laid to rest in the Bernstein family plot in Brooklyn today next to his wife, who died in 1978. The world-renowned maestro died on Sunday at age 72. Musical tributes began yesterday at New York's Carnegie Hall when a Russian musical group dedicated part of its performance to Bernstein.

Rap music blared from two big speakers in a courtroom in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, today at the obscenity trial of three members of the rap group 2 Live Crew. The judge refused to allow the jurors to see a transcript of the band's taped performance, saying it could unduly influence the jury's perception.

South Korean Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon made a historic trip to North Korea today... the first ever by a South Korean prime minister. Kang said on arrival in the capital of Pyongyang that it's deplorable and frustrating that only South and North Korea are left split while other divided nations of the world are united.

British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd held two-and-a-half hours of talks with Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy today and agreed on the need for Iraq to pull out of Kuwait. The two also discussed Israel's refusal to co-operate with a U-N mission investigating last week's violence in Jerusalem.

Nelson Mandela is welcoming the repeal of one of South Africa's key apartheid laws. But the African National Congress leader says anything less than full voting rights for all South Africans is ''basically NO solution whatsoever.'' Mandela is in New Delhi on the second day of five-day trip to India.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 16) UPI - University of Chicago business professor Merton Miller was a bit put out when his phone rang at 5:45 a.m. Tuesday.

But he got over it. It was the Nobel Prize committee calling.

Miller, 67, became the third current Chicago faculty member to receive the Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Science. The university faculty now boasts a total of eight winners in the various Nobel disciplines. Sixty faculty members or former students have won the honor.

''I don't think it will change anything in my work or my life,'' Miller said. ''Maybe I will tell my colleagues that now they can't criticize me so much at our seminars. But, knowing my colleagues, they won't pay any attention to that.''

Miller said his first reaction Tuesday was indignation when the phone rang at 5:45 a.m..

''My wife happened to grab the phone,'' Miller said. ''The line went dead. Then it rang again. Figuring it was a wrong number, I said, 'Let me take this one.'

''I picked it up and I barked, 'Hello,' in there and I heard these dulcet Swedish tones. ... Suddenly it dawned on me (and I thought) 'Oh my God.'

''I'm just overwhelmed.''

Miller is one of three U.S. professors to receive this year's Nobel in economics. The others are Harry Markowitz of City University of New York and William Sharpe of Stanford University.

Miller received his prize for a theory explaining the relation, or lack of one between firms' capital asset structure and dividend policy on the one hand and their market value on the other. It was developed along with Franco Modigliani, who won the Nobel Prize in Economics in 1985.

Miller illustrated his theory with a Yogi Berra story:

''After the game, a pizza man came into the dugout and said, 'Yogi, how do you want your pizza cut? You want it cut in quarters or eight pieces?' And Yogi says, 'Cut it into eight pieces. I'm feeling hungry tonight.'

''You can think of the firm out there as a gigantic pizza and it has income and it has risk and underlying assets and all of the securities the firm

issues. It's simply different ways of slicing up the pizza. The essence of (my) proposition is that it doesn't matter how you slice up the pizza. It's always going to be the same pizza. It's just going to be cut in different pieces,'' he said.

Miller described dividends as taking money from one pocket and putting it into another, something that does not affect a company's value.

''We feel that the superstructure of financial overlay on a firm is not as important as people think it is. What determines value is underlying assets,'' he said.

University of Chicago President Hanna Gray praised Miller as ''the best of our university and its graduate school of business.''

''He is a great scholar and teacher and also a wonderful citizen of our community,'' she said. ''We are immensely proud of him and greatly honored by his presence on our faculty.''

Miller received a standing ovation from his students when he entered class Tuesday morning.

''I have been telling my students how important it is that they get to class on time. Now I'll have to tell them that they can't expect a day off just because I've won an award,'' he said.

Miller called the award ''very satisfying'' and said he was pleased this year's prize went ''exclusively to people from business schools rather than from economics departments. It's also a recognition that the field of finance has fully arrived.''

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 16) UPI - BP Oil Co. said Tuesday it will pull out of the crude oil lease acquisition business, and is seeking bids for its pipeline gathering facilities in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas.

BP Oil, a subsidiary of British Petroleum Co. PLC, of London, said the "business no longer is strategic and would fit better with companies that see this activity as more central to their aims."

BP Oil employs 108 people in the business in Cleveland; Centralia and Carmi, Ill., and Houston and Longview, Texas.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 16) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Tuesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	79.00	79.05	78.55	78.87	78.97
Dec	75.70	75.70	74.97	75.47	75.65
Feb	73.85	73.87	73.05	73.27	73.85
Apr	74.92	74.97	74.47	74.65	74.92
Jun	72.75	72.75	72.15	72.25	72.75
Aug	71.00	71.20	70.55	70.55	70.90
Oct	71.30	71.30	70.70	70.70	71.30

Est. sales 16,073 contracts; Monday 9,389; open interest 67,737 off 51.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	87.32	87.35	86.85	87.10	87.32
Nov	85.85	85.95	85.20	85.30	86.00
Jan	84.45	84.45	83.52	83.75	84.50
Mar	82.55	82.70	82.17	82.35	82.62
Apr	82.15	82.25	81.85	81.97	82.40
May	81.40	81.50	81.15	81.15	81.52
Aug	80.80	80.80	80.60	80.60	81.00

Est. sales 1,922 contracts; Monday 1,260; open interest 11,468 up 65.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	57.60	57.80	56.80	57.12	58.30
Dec	54.40	54.50	53.40	53.62	54.75
Feb	51.85	51.97	51.05	51.15	52.15
Apr	48.50	48.65	47.70	47.80	48.57
Jun	52.15	52.17	51.20	51.30	51.97
Jly	52.05	52.20	51.65	51.80	52.35
Aug	50.35	50.50	50.30	50.50	51.25
Oct	....	....	45.70	45.70	46.25

Est. sales 8,526 contracts; Monday 9,532; open interest 26,381 off 201.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	65.20	65.40	63.70	64.70	65.42
Mar	64.95	65.20	63.65	64.42	65.25
May	65.15	65.20	63.70	64.70	65.35
Jly	63.80	63.90	63.35	63.85	64.25
Aug	63.00	63.00	61.50	61.55	62.90

Est. sales 5,438 contracts; Monday 2,492; open interest 7,824 off 152.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Tuesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 123.26 up 36 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 122.32 up 23 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 115.09 unch, 700-850 lbs. 113.91 down 1 cent.

Pork carlot trading moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins steady in a light test; Boston butts not fully established; skinned hams mostly 1.00 lower; seedless bellies 2.00-4.00 lower in a light test; loins 14-18 lbs. 117.00-120.50; hams 17-20 lbs. 105.00, 20-26 lbs. 102.00-105.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 58.00, 12-16 lbs. 62.00, 16-18 lbs. 60.00, 18-20 lbs. 55.00.

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LONG BEACH, CA (OCT. 16) UPI - Douglas Aircraft Co. said Tuesday it has sent out 1,000 pink slips this week in the last round of 8,000 layoffs at the aircraft company this year.

"This should be the last time this year that we have a significant amount of layoffs," said Donald Hanson, a Douglas spokesman. Nearly all of the latest layoffs, which give workers 60 days' notice, have hit administrative and support staff, rather than assembly line workers.

The latest round of cuts will reduce Douglas' work force to about 45,000 by the end of the year. The company, a unit of St. Louis-based McDonnell Douglas Corp., operates a huge assembly plant in Long Beach and other factories in Torrance, Calif.; Salt Lake City; Columbus, Ohio, and Macon, Ga. In Long Beach Douglas builds the MD-80 twin-jet, the new MD-11 long-range tri-jet and the new C-17 cargo jet for the Air Force.

Douglas, which hit a peak employment figure in the first quarter of nearly 53,000, first announced in late April that it would lay off up to 4,000 workers.

That figure doubled in July after McDonnell Douglas, hit by a string of poor earnings reports, announced that it would take steps to reduce operating costs by $700 million a year. "We have been going through a continuing process since May of giving layoff notices," Hansen said.

McDonnell Douglas, which is also the nation's largest defense contractor, earned $59 million in the first six months of this year on sales of $7.94 billion. During that period, Douglas lost $117 million. The parent company has taken on a heavy debt load - $5.2 billion as of June 30 - partly to get the MD-11 and C-17 programs operating.

"Douglas is the key to the company's long-term outlook," said aerospace analyst George Podrasky of the Duff & Phelps rating agency in Chicago. "If the company is going to grow over the next five years, it will be from that segment."

The MD-11 is going through final flight testing with government certification due within a month, Hanson said. First deliveries of the plane, which has a

price tag of about $100 million each, should start in December, he said.

Douglas' order books are at an all-time high, with 173 firm orders for the MD-11 along with 202 options, as of Sept. 30, and 432 firm orders for the MD-80 along with 498 options. Analysts say each MD-80 has a $30 million price tag.

But the C-17 program, which employs about 8,000 workers, has been beset with problems. The Pentagon disclosed several weeks ago it had withheld $300 million for the work because of disagreements over the cost of developing the military transport jet.

Podrasky said that investors are uncertain about the McDonnell Douglas stock because of Douglas, potentially large losses on the A-12 attack jet and an unclear picture of how much Congress will allocate to the defense budget. "McDonnell Douglas is sort of a hybrid beast and its earnings have been pretty inconsistent," Podrasky said.

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ORLANDO, FL (OCT. 16) UPI - The average price of regular gasoline sold at self-service pumps nationwide continued to rise in the past week, but at a slower pace than before, the American Automobile Association said Tuesday.

The average price of unleaded gasoline rose 0.9 cents to $1.379 a gallon, or just 0.9 cents below the highest price ever recorded by the group, the AAA said. The price had been climbing on the average by 2.6 cents a week for the past three weeks, the association said.

The AAA said the average price for regular gasoline peaked at $1.388 in 1981 just prior to Easter weekend. The last increase means gasoline prices currently are 30.4 cents higher than on Aug. 1, the day before Iraq invaded Kuwait, the AAA said.

Prices declined during the past week in the Midwest, while rising in every other region of the country, the AAA said. The organization found the steepest hike in the Mid-Atlantic region.

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BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (OCT. 16) UPI - The eight-man presidency met national leaders Tuesday to break a deadlock over Yugoslavia's political future only a day before a critical Parliament session at which proposed constitutional reforms were to be announced.

The meeting came amid speculation in major newspapers that failure to agree on

whether Yugoslavia should be a federation or confederation could result in both plans being presented to the national Legislature.

President Borisav Jovic, the current holder of the presidency's annually rotating chairmanship, was scheduled to disclose the collective head of state's recommendations to Parliament in a a nationally broadcast address Wednesday.

Major dailies said that if Jovic outlined only a federation plan, Janez Drnovsek, the presidency member from the maverick Slovenian Republic, might insist on the right to present a counter proposal for confederation.

An official statement said the panel was joined in its deliberations by senior national leaders, including Serbia's communist president, Slobodan Milosevic, and his rivals, Milan Kucan of Slovenia and Franjo Tudjman of Croatia.

It said that the results of the meeting would be withheld until the Parliament session.

The meeting considered ''a constitutional way out of the crisis ... and about all of this the public and the Parliament will be informed at the parliamentary session,'' the statement said.

It gave no further details.

The recommendations would be used as the basis for the drafting of a new constitution to replace the Marxist-style document adopted in 1974. The new constitution would be enacted after multi-party parliamentary elections expected before the end of the year.

The dispute over constitutional reforms is linked to longstanding differences between Yugoslavia's major ethnic groups and many people fear it could help ignite a civil war.

The presidency resumed deliberations suspended last week on selecting between two competing plans. One calls for maintaining Yugoslavia as a federation of 23 million people in six republics. But the central government would be made more powerful than the republics, whose governments are currently under no real federal control.

The second plan envisions a confederation of independent states with separate militaries, currencies and foreign policies, but linked through common economic interests, including a single Western-style market.

Federation is favored by communist-ruled Serbia - the nation's largest republic - its provinces of Vojvodina and Kosovo, and the Republic of Montenegro.

Federation is also supported by federal Prime Minister Ante Markovic, but he disagrees with Serbia over economic issues and the question of internal borders.

The confederation proposal was co-authored by Roman Catholic Croatia and Slovenia, which fear that the demise earlier this year of strong national communist rule will lead to domination of a federal system by the nation's 8.5 million-strong Orthodox Serbian majority.

The republics of Bosnia-Hercegovina and Macedonia favor federation, but with a weak federal government.

Participants in last week's meetings of the presidency, comprised of a representative from each republic and province, said the body was deadlocked along partisan lines. Croatian and Slovenian officials expressed fears that Jovic, a Serb, would recommend federation.

The Croatian and Slovenian ruling parties, which ousted communists in April in Yugoslavia's first multi-party elections since 1945, have said they would likely secede if the federation plan is eventually adopted.

Serbia's ruling communists say, however, that they would only agree to confederation if the present borders of Serbia were expanded to include Serbian-inhabited regions of Bosnia-Hercegovina and Croatia, a potentially explosive demand.

The stand appears calculated to appeal to rising Serbian nationalism and win the communists crucial votes in December, when they face their first multi-party polls for the republic's assembly.

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TORONTO (OCT. 16) UPI - The Canadian Auto Workers union said Tuesday it set midnight Oct. 25 as its deadline for a settlement with Chrysler Canada Ltd. Union president Bob White said he expected Chrysler to meet the pattern settlement reached earlier at Ford Motor Co. of Canada and later met by General Motors of Canada.

The pattern includes wage increases of three percent in the first year and two percent in each of the second and third years, improved cost-of-living protection, an annual $425 vacation bonus and more time off the job.

Ken Francese, Chrysler Canada's vice-president of human relations, refused to comment on whether the auto maker would meet the pattern, saying the talks would focus on economics, local issues and contract language.

Francese said Chrysler was looking for more "efficient utilization of its

employees" and indicated the company would seek to water down contract language on job classifications, seniority and transfers to cut costs.

Chrysler Canada Ltd. employs about 11,300 CAW members in Ontario, principally at four assembly plants in Windsor and Brampton, a trim plant in Ajax and a castings facility in Etobicoke.

One of the Windsor plants produces Chrysler's top-selling mini-vans, the Dodge Caravan and Plymouth Voyager MagicWagons and Dodge Caravan C/V. The plant is the sole source of the standard size mini-vans with 1,024 units being produced each day. A smaller plant in St. Louis produces a stretched version of the minivan. At the second Windsor plant, full-size Dodge Ram vans and wagons are assembled.

In Brampton, the company assembles the Eagle Premier and Dodge Monaco passenger cars at its under-utilized plant in Bramalea. Francese said the plant is currently operating only two weeks a month.

Chrysler Corp. announced in July it will build its new L/H mid-size car platform at the Bramalea plant, beginning in the fall of 1992. The facility is expected to employ about 2,400 people when it reaches full two-shift production in January 1993. The fate of the Eagle Premier and Dodge Monaco has not been announced.

Chrysler has announced that assembly of its Jeep YJ and Wrangler models at a second Brampton plant will be transferred to Toledo, Ohio, starting in June 1992. The move is part of a plan to consolidate Jeep production in Toledo.

In August, Chrysler's production workers voted almost 98 percent and office workers by 92 percent in favor of strike action, if necessary. About 50,000 workers at GM and Ford voted overwhelmingly to accept their settlements. The Ford settlement came after a nine-day strike while the GM deal was reached minutes before a strike deadline.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Gold futures closed Tuesday 1,300 to 1,540 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	373.00	373.00	360.50	362.00	375.00
Nov	373.00	....	....	363.30	376.50
Dec	375.50	376.00	361.50	365.10	378.50
Feb	379.00	379.50	365.50	369.00	382.50
Apr	383.00	383.00	367.00	372.70	386.40
Jun	384.50	384.50	375.00	376.70	390.40

Aug	391.00	391.00	380.00	380.60	394.30
Oct	395.00	....	....	384.60	398.50
Dec	401.80	401.80	384.00	388.70	402.80
Feb	393.00	393.00	393.00	393.20	407.40
Apr	408.40	408.40	396.50	396.50	411.90
Jun	402.00	402.20	402.00	402.20	416.70
Aug	418.10	418.10	407.00	407.00	421.60

Open interest: 116,656 up 2,635.
Estimated sales: 80,000 contracts.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 16) UPI - A federal judge Tuesday acquitted three officials of defense contractor Sundstrand Corp. on charges they conspired to defraud the federal government.

Senior U.S. District Judge Prentice Marshall acquitted the three, saying he found no evidence Joseph J. McCarthy, 54, Rockford, Ray John Chapel, 47, Reston, Va., and Ralph G. Hamann, 64, Rockford, conspired to cheat the government. Marshall earlier had dismissed charges of lying against the executives of the company based in Rockford. "These men did not conspire to cheat the government and did not conspire to steal," Marshall said.

"We're very happy. We're ecstatic," Hamann's attorney Michael Nash said of the verdict. "I think the judge understood the evidence. McCarthy and Hamann said the charges never should have been brought in the first place, adding the counts to which Sundstrand pleaded guilty were unfounded.

Sundstrand pleaded guilty in October 1988 to five counts of a federal indictment for defense fraud and agreed to pay $115 million in penalties and reparations - the biggest recovery in any defense fraud case.

It also agreed to pay the Defense Department another $62.3 million in settlement of administrative matters related to its past contracting practices. The charges against the men stemmed from Sundstrand's guilty plea.

The company was suspended as a government contractor following the plea but was reinstated in January 1989 once it agreed to revise its contracting procedures and make reparations.

"I don't think you can help wonder what in hell we are doing here," Hamann said. "I've been saying that for years." "My view is that Sundstrand paid for nothing," McCarthy added.

Marshall last week found the three innocent of making false statments to the government about fraudulent defense contracting policies, saying prosecutors failed to prove the charge. He also dismissed portions of the remaining

conspiracy counts. Marshall, presiding at the bench trial, heard a month of testimony from government witnesses. The defense offered no evidence and called no witnesses.

Sundstrand, a Fortune 500 company, has 15,000 employees worldwide, including 4,000 in Rockford. It manufactures electronic, mechanical and hydraulic systems for the government and diversified aerospace and industrial markets.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	379.25 off 8.00
Morning fixing	375.15 off 4.10
Afternoon fixing	364.75 off 14.50
Close	362.50 off 16.75
Paris	367.84 off 15.95
Zurich	364.00 off 15.00
Hong Kong	375.55 off 8.70
New York	
Comex spot close	362.00 off 13.00
Republic cash	362.75 off 13.25
Handy and Harman	364.75 off 15.95

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 366.02 off 15.98 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 384.32 off 16.68 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.142 up 0.01
Republic cash	4.17 up 0.01

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.195 per fine ounce off 0.02

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.185 off 0.035and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.478 off 0.037

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 400.00 off 5.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 500.00 off 5.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 88.00 off 4.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 103.00 off 4.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 5 to 9 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.16	9.27	9.11	9.21	9.13
May	9.18	9.27	9.14	9.21	9.12
Jly	9.20	9.28	9.18	9.23	9.17
Oct	9.22	9.29	9.20	9.24	9.19

Estimated sales: 13,268 contracts

Open interest: 114,448 up 2,093

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.25

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday unchanged to 7 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.27	23.28	23.27	23.28	23.27
Mar	23.23	23.23	23.23	23.23	23.23
May	23.32	23.33	23.32	23.33	23.32
Jly	23.32	23.33	23.32	23.33	23.32
Sep	23.28	....	....	23.27	23.25
Nov	22.95	23.00	22.95	23.00	22.93
Jan	23.00	....	....	22.99	22.95

Estimated sales: 204 contracts

Open interest: 10,427 off 330

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - A former Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. attorney Tuesday denied at the "mini-trial" of one-time junk bond king Michael Milken he was asked by a trader of the firm if there was insider trading in Beverly Hills, Calif., office.

Kevin Madigan, 37, in a brief appearance at the presentencing hearing before Judge Kimba Wood in U.S. District Court in Manhattan, refused to waive the lawyer-client privilege yet briefly took the stand at the end of Tuesday's abbreviated session.

Most of the proceeding was taken up by highly technical testimony from Joseph Harch, a former Drexel corporate officer. After a closed conference, the hearing was recessed until 10 a.m. EDT Thursday.

Madigan was questioned by Milken's attorney, Arthur Liman. He held a transcript of Monday's testimony by Peter Gardiner, who linked Milken to stock manipulation involving Wickes Companies Inc. of Santa Monica, Calif.

In an agreement with the government, Milken previously pleaded guilty to conspiracy, filing false securities information, securities fraud, violating securities reporting requirements, mail fraud, and aiding and abetting in the filing of a false income tax return. As the pre-sentencing hearings continue, Judge Wood will use the information to ultimately sentence Milken, 44, who could receive up to 28 years in prison.

Gardiner, a prosecution witness, had worked under Milken. He admitted to previously lying to the government in its investigation of Milken and to lying before a grand jury.

Last May he offered his cooperation after Milken entered his plea. Monday he linked Milken to alleged manipulation of Wickes stock, but Judge Wood called his testimony "ambiguous."

Liman, in an apparent attack on Gardiner's veracity, challenged the Monday testimony that he once went to Madigan on another stock deal after having "an attack of conscience."

"'I told him point-blank that if he didn't think there was material use of non-public information going on on the floor, that he was crazy, or words to that effect,'" Liman read from Gardiner's testimony. "'I was stunned because he looked at me and just said nothing.

"'He might have asked me, do you have any specifics? But I took away from that meeting a kind of feeling that I was supposed to be able to talk to this guy and it doesn't look like I can,'" Liman read from Gardiner's record.

"Did you have a conversation to that effect with him (Gardiner)?" Liman asked Madigan. "Absolutely not," replied the one-time $400,000 a year Drexel lawyer, who said that Gardiner "frequently" had come to him as did other employees "seeking direction."

He said nobody "to the best of my recollection" was fired at Drexel for trading activity, nor were any sanctions sought against Milken. And, Madigan said, he never advised Milken to "break a trade" - to renege on an agreed trade.

The chief government prosecutor, assistant U.S. attorney John Carroll, said last week in his opening statement the Wickes manipulation was part of an illegal pattern involving confessed Wall Street wheeler-dealer Ivan Boesky. Boesky was the key witness against Milken.

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ROME (OCT. 16) UPI - A special envoy from Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev met Tuesday with Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti to discuss possible diplomatic solutions to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Envoy Yevgeny Primakov, a member of Gorbachev's presidential council, spent only a few hours in Rome before flying to Paris. He is briefing Italian, French and American leaders after an Oct. 5 meeting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad.

In a one-hour meeting with Andreotti, Primakov told the Italian leader that during the visit to Iraq he got the impression that Saddam would be prepared to negotiate, provided there is no ultimatum and no threat of a military operation.

Primakov told reporters he is not carrying any message from Gorbachev. But he said the Soviet leader attributes great importance to the gulf situation and is very concerned about it.

''We are optimistic despite everything. Otherwise, I would not be here,'' Primakov said.

He said the Soviet Union is committed to finding a political and peaceful solution to the crisis and in principle ''this approach coincides with the Italian position.''

Italian officials said Primakov started his three-nation tour in Rome partly because Italy currently holds the presidency of the 12-nation European Community.

They said Andreotti and Primakov agreed on the need to exert special pressure on Saddam to convince him to release the foreign hostages held in Iraq.

A spokesman for Andreotti's office said some Arab countries are working in the same direction. He said that Libyan Foreign Minister Ibrahim Ibshary told Andreotti two days ago that Libyan leader Col. Moammar Gadhafi had made a personal approach to the Iraqi leader in favor of freeing the hostages.

Before Primakov left Moscow for Rome, Gorbachev spokesman Vitaly Ignatenko denied a report by the Soviet Novosti press agency that Saddam had softened his position during his meeting with Primakov and may have offered a compromise.

''The Soviet leadership believes if there is the smallest chance to settle the conflict peacefully, we should use that to the ultimate,'' Ignatenko said.

''The instructions that the Soviet president gave to Mr. Primakov are very complicated and it is a very delicate mission,'' Ignatenko told reporters. ''When we find ourselves in a region where a lot of people could be taken as hostages it is very difficult to disclose any details.

''This is the continuation of a very important process aimed at political settlement in the area.''

There are still about 5,000 Soviet citizens in Iraq, including about 100 military advisers, but both sides say they are not considered hostages like Westerners in the country and are simply fulfilling their contracts.

Primakov traveled to Baghdad and the Jordanian capital of Amman two weeks ago on a special mission to seek a diplomatic settlement to the crisis that began with Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Results of Primakov's meetings in Baghdad have been a closely held secret, but the Soviet agency Novosti Sunday quoted an anonymous source saying Saddam had softened his stance and offered to pull out of much of Kuwait.

''This information is false,'' Ignatenko said Tuesday when asked about the Novosti report.

The Soviet Union has joined the international condemnation of the Iraqi invasion and Moscow cut off arms supplies to its former ally and joined U.N. sanctions aimed at forcing Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

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#90289u1551 10/16/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - Caution has been the watchword for consumers using home equity loans from commercial banks last year, the American Bankers Association said Tuesday. Customers of large banks were granted an average home equity loan of $38,000 last year but used only 52 percent of that amount.

Community bank customers tended to put more of their home equity loans to use, taking out about 67 percent of the total available, the association said. Twenty percent of the banks surveyed said they have been more conservative in their underwriting requirements for home equity loans because of declining property values.

"The buzzword appears to be 'prudence,'" said Donald Grigley, chairman of the association's consumer credit division and senior vice president of Connecticut National Bank. Commercial banks held $50.8 billion worth of home equity loans by the end of 1989, up from $40 billion the year before, the association said.

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#90289u1573 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

COLUMBUS, Ohio (OCT. 16) UPI - First lady Barbara Bush told reporters Tuesday that her husband, in effect, would rather be right than president.

Mrs. Bush, at a news conference following a Republican fund-raising luncheon, said she believes President Bush ''wants to do exactly what's right for the country,'' even if it means he does not run for re- election in 1992.

''I really don't worry about that,'' said Mrs. Bush when asked about public opinion surveys that show the president's popularity sliding because of the nation's fiscal crisis. ''I don't believe in polls, ever. You just have to do the best you can.

''I don't care if he runs again or not,'' she continued, ''and I really don't think he does. I really believe George Bush wants to do exactly what's right for the country, and let the chips fall where they may.''

The first lady said Bush never believed the polls when they showed him with a 70 percent or 80 percent approval rating.

In a 15-minute speech to about $1,000 Republicans who paid $125 apiece to eat lemon chicken and chocolate chip cheesecake, Mrs. Bush exhorted them to vote for Republican gubernatorial nominee George Voinovich and to get their friends to do likewise.

''With your help, George Voinovich is going to win,'' she said. ''So please, during the next 21 days volunteer more time, give more money, and please vote yourself. Drag your friends to the polls.

''We've got to elect this good man, this decent man, this hard- working, honest man, this able man. You know, they really don't come around like this very often.''

Mrs. Bush also urged the gathering to write their congressional representatives demanding that they vote for a budget balancing bill.

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#90289u1585 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

PEORIA, IL (OCT. 16) UPI - Caterpillar Inc. officials said Tuesday the company has sold more than 200 earthmoving machines to the government of Romania, as part of a major effort to get into Eastern European markets.

Caterpillar would not disclose the terms of the sale but the company said it would receive Romanian goods and services instead of money for the trucks and tractors. This arrangment will avoid the exchange problems other U.S. businesses have had in dealing with Eastern European companies.

The Peoria-based manufacturing company said it has sold 212 earthmoving machines that will be used for coal mining and reclamation of mined lands in Romania. The machines include 200 articulated dump trucks, ten track-type tractors, a motor grader and a wheel loader. All the equipment will be delivered by next year, said company spokesman Jeff Hawkinson.

"Caterpillar sees Eastern Europe as potentially a very significant market," Hawkinson said. "The countries are in great need of upgrading their infrastructure. They have road building, public building and housing needs, all kinds of construction activities that require the use of the equipment like we produce.

"It's accepted that Eastern Europe will be moving in the direction of trying to bring thmeselves up to Western levels with their new-found freedoms and we hope to tap into that market," he said.

Romania's electrical energy comes from coal and the tractors and trucks can be used at strip mines. "They use our dozers and trucks to move all that earth away," Hawkinson said. "They take the seam of coal, move all the earth and reclaim the land."

The sale is the company's first to Romania in ten years and one of its biggest to Eastern Europe in several years. Negotiations for the sale began earlier this year.

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#90289u1610 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

HOLLYWOOD (OCT. 16) UPI - The nation's movie theaters have taken in $3.84 billion so far this year, a mere 1 percent behind the $3.89 billion in box office receipts collected by this time last year.

Last year's box office, led by the hit ''Batman,'' reached a record $5.03 billion by year's end, but this year's total could approach that level if the slate of current movies continues to perform strongly. In 1988, the total box-office take at the same juncture had hit $3.46 billion.

The top 10 movies of this past three-day weekend, led by Steven Seagal's martial arts blow-out ''Marked for Death,'' brought in $36.3 million, Daily Variety reported Tuesday. That was off from the $42.5 million grossed by the top 10 during the prior weekend, which covered four days because of the Columbus Day holiday.

The year-ago weekend gross for the top 10 was $36.6 million.

For the week, the domestic gross totaled $79.3 million, up sharply from the year-ago and 1988 totals of $64.6 million and $64.9 million respectively.

Besides a strong second-week performance by ''Marked for Death,'' the box-office was also buoyed by a solid $5 million opening for the World War II flyboy flick ''Memphis Belle'' and good holdover business for ''Ghost,'' ''Fantasia'' and ''Henry & June.''

''Marked for Death'' has now pulled in $21.7 million in 10 days for Twentieth Century Fox.

''Marked for Death'' may continue to lead the box-office next weekend. Major films going into wide release are Barry Levinson's ''Avalon,'' a remake of ''Night of the Living Dead,'' a Tom Selleck movie called ''Quigley Down Under'' and Susan Sarandon's latest, ''White Palace.''

For the following weekend, which precedes Halloween, Paramount will release the latest Stephen King movie, ''Graveyard Shift.''

Disney's ''Pretty Woman'' and Paramount's ''Ghost'' remain the year's biggest hits, at $176.2 million and $167.4 million respectively. New Line's ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles'' is third at $113.1 million, followed by Paramount's ''Hunt for Red October,'' with $120.7 million.

Three other releases have topped the $100 million mark. Carolco's ''Total Recall'' has grossed $118.3 million; ''Fox's ''Die Hard 2'' has taken in $113.8 million and Disney's ''Dick Tracy' has pulled in $103.7 million.

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CAIRO, Egypt (OCT. 16) UPI - A report that police found a bomb Tuesday in a crowded metro station sent panic through terrorist-conscious Cairo, but the suspicious device turned out to be an empty insect repellent can attached to a battery.

The semi-official Middle East News Agency said a passerby found the cannister inside a trash can, wired to a battery and wrapped in paper. He alerted police who removed the device and determined the can was empty.

State-run Cairo Radio initially reported that a bomb had been discovered at the metro station behind the Nile Hilton hotel and that ''explosive experts removed the bomb to a nearby garden and defused it.''

The device was placed in an oil can and timed to go off at the rush hour to cause maximum casualties, the radio said.

The report prompted thousands of people to demonstrate in downtown Tahrir Square near the metro entrance. MENA said demonstrators chanted anti-Iraqi slogans, including ''down with the traitors'' and ''long live (President

Hosni) Mubarak.''

Egyptian police are searching for suspected pro-Iraqi terrorists believed behind the assassination of the Egyptian speaker of Parliament Friday only a few blocks from where the device was found.

The assassins, whom Egyptian newspapers have linked to Iraq, machine- gunned Parliament Speaker Rifaat El Mahgoub and five other people in front of a luxury hotel down the street from the Nile Hilton.

MENA said the suspicious device may have been planted by people wanting to create panic in the already-edgy Egyptian capital.

Iraq has denied it was part of the assassination of Mahgoub, but Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has been a viscious critic of Mubarak's pro-U.S. stance in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Interior Minister Lt. Gen. Mohammed Abdulhalim Mussa told senior security officers Tuesday that authorities now had important clues about the identity and motive of the killers of Mahgoub, the No. 2 man in the administration after Mubarak.

Police have arrested over 300 suspects in connection with Mahgoub's killing, most of them because they resembled composite drawings of the gunmen given by witnesses, reports said.

The opposition weekly Al Ahrar placed the blame for the killing on Iraqi agents, saying the killers originally planned to blow up the Cairo Meridien hotel, where Mahgoub was scheduled to meet his Syrian counterpart, Abdul Kader Kaddoura. Al Ahrar said Iraq intelligence ordered Palestinian extremist Abu Nidal to carry out the killing.

The newspaper said Iraq ordered the killings of both Mahgoub and his Syrian counterpart as a warning to both Egypt and Syria, whose governments have strongly opposed Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Egyptian authorities, however, have not yet ruled out that Mahgoub's killers may be linked to disgruntled Islamic fundamentalists trying to overthrow Egypt's moderate government.

Mussa said Mhagoub's assassination had posed a serious challenge to Egypt's security forces but had not shaken their self-confidence.

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#90289u1618 10/16/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 16) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Sharply lower.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1/2 to 2, soybeans down 2 1/2 to 9 1/2 wheat off 2 1/2 to 4 1/4 and oats down 3/4 to 1.

Cattle Trade - Steady; top $78.75.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $15 to $20 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.90 cent to 1.25 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.10 cent higher to 1.25 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.93 cent higher to 0.10 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $13.00 to $15.40 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - unchanged to $0.20 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.10 cent to 3.60 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 0.7 to 1.0 cent an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.005 to 0.009 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90289u1644 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (OCT. 16) UPI - Algoma Steel Corp. Ltd. said Tuesday it will start shutting down its plant for the winter after several thousand unionized steelworkers rejected the company's latest offer to end an 11-week strike.

Bob Turpin, Algoma's vice-president of employee relations, said in a statement that the company's offer was an honest attempt to meet the steelworkers demands.

"The circumstances of the steel industry and of Algoma Steel do not support a higher offer," Turpin said. "There are no plans to resume negotiations and work will begin to immediately winterize the plant."

More than 4,400 members of the United Steelworkers of America at Algoma's Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, plant voted Monday to reject an offer the company says would have added about $85 million a year to its employee payroll. Sixty-three percent of the workers in Local 2251 voted against the offer. There are five USWA locals at Algoma respresenting about 5,400 workers.

Andy Lavoie, the USWA area coordinator, said the union would ask a provincial mediator to try to restart talks with the company. Lavoie said although the two sides are still apart on monetary, contracting out and job security, and pension issues, "we're hopeful of getting back to the table as soon as possible."

Meanwhile, a strike by 10,000 other USWA members at Hamilton, Ontario-based Stelco Inc. also continued despite efforts by a mediator to find enough common ground to resume talks which broke off Sept. 27. The Stelco workers set up pickets Aug. 1.

Talks on new contracts between the union's locals and Algoma and Stelco began in May. Adding to the USWA's woes is a five-month old strike by several hundred of its members at a Placer Dome Inc. gold mine in Timmins, Ontario.

The Placer Dome workers have been given until Nov. 16 to accept the company's "final and decisive offer" or face the prospect of not only the work force being cut in half but of the mine closing. The mine's 750 workers went on strike May 1 to press demands for job security and pension benefits. In total, there are close to 17,000 unionized steelworkers currently on strike in Canada.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.00

60 to 89 days 7.92

90 to 119 days 7.94

120 to 149 days 7.88

150 to 179 days 7.80

180 to 270 days 7.75

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.05 - 7.90

Issuers 30 days 8.03

Issuers 90 days 7.91

Issuers 270 days 7.47

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.03

60 to 89 days 8.03

90 to 119 days 8.12

120 to 149 days 8.10

150 to 179 days 8.10

180 days 8.20

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

1 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

3 month 8.125 - 8.25

6 month 8.125 - 8.25

Year 8.125 - 8.25

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.17 - 7.15

6 months 7.21 - 7.19

Year 7.10 - 7.08

Federal Funds: High 8, Low 7 15-16, Close 7 15-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.852 up 0.017.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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(For Tuesday)

NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1052.3
Monday	1069.0
Week ago	1090.4
Month ago	1098.2
Year ago	1100.3
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1052.3

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#90289u1689 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

ALBANY, N.Y. (OCT. 16) UPI - Gov. Mario Cuomo said Tuesday that allegations he committed two election law felonies are part of a Republican campaign of ''attack ... calumny ... slander.''

Former Republican Party attorney Thomas Spargo asked Monday for a state Board of Elections investigation into charges Cuomo illegally registered to vote from his mother's house in Queens and improperly voted by absentee ballot on primary day.

Cuomo termed the charges ''foolish'' and part of ''a whole series of negative shots'' fired by Republicans at Democrats in this fall's state elections.

''What is he, a Liberal (Party member)?'' Cuomo replied sarcastically when asked how Spargo could be working for the GOP when he had resigned as party lawyer.

Spargo resigned that position and the job of counsel to the GOP- controlled Senate Election Committee earlier this year while under investigation from a Cuomo-appointed ethics commission.

Spargo said he acted as an individual in bringing the complaint against Cuomo.Elizabeth DelTorto, executive director of the state GOP, agreed.

''We read about it in the paper this morning,'' DelTorto said Tuesday. ''Certainly, Pat (Barrett, the GOP chairman) does not feel that negative campaigning is profitable.''

At issue is whether Cuomo violated state law by registering to vote from his mother's house in Queens after selling his own home in Queens in 1988.

Cuomo's two youngest children claim the governor's mansion in Albany as their legal address for voting. The Cuomo family car's motor vehicle registration also bears the Eagle Street, Albany, address.

But Cuomo said he was raised in his mother's home, intends to die there and pays New York City income taxes.

''If I am not a resident of the city of New York, then the city of New York owes me a skillion dollars,'' he joked.

''I could have chosen Albany as a residence ... but this is temporary,'' he said, referring to his tenure as governor.

Cuomo said Spargo's charges are part of a Republican effort to discredit all Democrats and blasted ''reprehensible literature'' he claimed the GOP is distributing in a Utica-area state Senate race which implies the Democratic candidate would abandon her constituency and vote to help New York City.

''When the Republicans get into trouble ... they're very good at Willie Horton ads, at attack, at calumny, at slander. That is their strength. And that is what you are beginning to see,'' he said.

Spargo has also charged Cuomo with voting illegally by absentee ballot in the Sept. 11 Democratic primary since Cuomo was in New York City that day, giving a speech on crime.

Cuomo said he did not know at the time he applied for the absentee ballot that he would be in the city that day.

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#90289u1702 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - Labor political action committees have contributed more than $23 million to this year's congressional campaigns with seven individual union PACs topping the $1 million donation mark, a survey of election records showed Tuesday.

Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., and Rep. Jill Long, D-Ind., top the lists of recipients in the Senate and House.

Federal Election Commission records from Jan. 1, 1989, through September show that PACs run by labor groups have given $23,107,396 to candidates still running for election to Congress this year. That represents an increase of $3 million in the last two months with the biggest giving month - October - still to be recorded.

The labor figure is the second highest amount of money given by any interest group. Business-related PACS gave slightly over $68 million - almost three times as much as labor groups.

Union PACs generally are reporting getting more money from more members, although there are some signs of general voter discontent.

''We do get slightly more mail from some of our members who are frustrated, but they're probably small minorities,'' said Al Jackson, special assistant for political education at the National Association of Letter Carriers. ''Most respond with a check rather than irate letter.''

Democrats are the major recipients of labor money. The top 15 recipients in both the Senate and the House are Democrats.

Simon, in a tough re-election race against Republican Rep. Lynn Martin, received the top amount of any Senate candidate, $345,947.

He was followed by Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., with $337,765 and Sen. Tom Harkin

D-Iowa, with $271,780.

Incumbents regularly top the lists of PAC recipients by any special interest group, but labor organizations seemed more willing to give to challengers, too. Four Democrats among the top 15 Senate candidates were challengers.

Jackson, for example, says the letter carriers' union regularly gives between 25 and 30 percent of its total contributions to non-incumbents, all of them Democrats.

Baron Hill, who is challenging Sen. Dan Coats, R-Ind., was fourth with $259,600; Harvey Sloane, running against Republican Sen. Mitch McConnell in Kentucky, was seventh with $224,700; Theodore Muenster, seeking to upset Sen. Larry Pressler, R-S.D., was 11th with $188,000, and Democrat Hugh Parmer, in his long-shot race against Sen. Phil Gramm in Texas, was 13th with $172,150.

All top 15 recipients in the House were incumbents, led by Long with $304,354. She was followed by Rep. Glen Browder, D-Ala., with $259,941. Both Long and Browder ran in special elections during the period recorded by the FEC and donations to those races were included in the total figures.

Rounding out the top five in the House were Reps. Jolene Unsoeld, in a tight race to keep her Washington seat, with $188,550; David Bonior of Michigan with $178,220, and Richard Gephardt, House Democratic leader from Missouri, with $172,025.

Seven labor PACs have contributed more than a million dollars each, with the Teamsters Union leading the way with $1,656,142.

The Teamsters were followed by the National Education Association with $1,367,155; the letter carriers, $1,337,510; the United Brotherhood of Carpenters & Joiners, $1,248,620; United Auto Workers, $1,150,622; American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, $1,111, 586, and the International Association of Machinists & Aerospace Workers, $1,102,445.

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#90289u1734 10/16/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 16) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Basketball
La Crosse (CBA) - Signed guard Vince Hamilton.
LA Lakers - Signed forward Irving Thomas.

Hockey
St. Louis - Recalled defenseman Gordie
Roberts from Peoria of the International
League; assigned defenseman Robert Dirk to Peoria.

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#90289u1744 10/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 149,570,000 shares
1990 to date - 31,656,562,252
Warrants - 941,500
1990 to date - 200,429,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	290.32	off 2.95
High Technology	283.58	off 3.58
Capital Goods	309.39	off 0.43
Consumer Goods	355.23	off 3.62
Service	624.27	off 7.42
Retail	839.14	off 3.11
Financial	346.54	off 1.67
Natural Resources	227.02	off 2.66
Housing-Const-Land	253.20	off 4.23

There was a loss of 9 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	371.61	off 2.37
Mid Atlantic	377.33	off 4.84
No Central	362.53	off 1.29
So Atlantic	791.25	off 2.79
So Central	292.64	off 0.50
Mountain	104.18	off 1.32
Pacific	324.66	off 5.46
Foreign	223.42	off 2.75

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#90289u1747 10/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 11,150,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,763,463,770
Bonds - $3,030,000
1990 to date - $575,556,000

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(OCT. 16) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index 163.64 off 2.20
ASE Market Value Index 290.32 off 2.91
Dow-Jones Industrial 2380.94 off 35.40

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 293.31, low 289.77, close 290.32, off 2.91.

There was a loss of 9 cents in the average share price.

Volume 11,150,000 shares, compared with 10, 350,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	1
New Lows	90
Advances	193
Declines	366
Unchanged	224
Total Issues	783

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(OCT. 16) UPI - (Dow Jones has revised the close)

NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2381.19	off	35.15
20 Trans	823.41	off	8.88
15 Utils	206.55	off	0.44
65 Stocks	845.58	off	9.59

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska (OCT. 16) UPI - Search planes have begun night flights over the polar ice cap in hopes that a missing wildlife research team tries to use signal flares or sets a fire to alert rescuers, the Coast Guard said Tuesday.

The search was in its fifth day Tuesday and there was to be a second night of searching Tuesday night, Coast Guard spokesman Mike Milliken said.

No flares or other light was spotted Monday night in the first after- dark search, and no clues in the team's disappearance have turned up.

The two U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service polar bear biologists and their pilot vanished last Thursday during a low altitude aerial bear- tracking mission

over the arctic ice northwest of Point Barrow, the northernmost point of land in the United States.

Officials believe the three men could have survived if their plane went down on the polar ice pack, noting that the trio was well-equipped for arctic survival. But about 40 miles of open water separates the coast from the ice edge.

With the failure of the daylight searches, the Coast Guard decided to try looking for lights in the long polar night, reasoning that the men would use flares or flames to get rescuers' attention.

The federal wildlife research mission was part of a long-term polar bear population and productivity study. The biologists, using radio receivers, were tracking female polar bears fitted with radio transmitter collars during earlier research.

The biologists were last seen on Air Force radar, during the coincidental interception of a Soviet aircraft off northwest Alaska, heading out toward the permanent polar ice pack some 200 miles from the northern Alaska coast.

The missing twin-engine Aero Commander aircraft carried two of the federal wildlife agency's five Alaska polar bear biologists, spokesman Bruce Batten said. The men were identified as John Bevins, 35, and George Menkens, 33. Their experience pilot, Clifford Minch, was employed by Alaska Helicopter but was under contract with the wildlife service.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	210,940,496	54 5/8	off 1 7/8
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	65,208,940	25	off 2 3/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	44,162,248	30 3/4	off 1 1/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	38,089,252	31	off 3/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	31,873,374	43 1/2	unch
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	27,192,990	40	off 2 1/4
ADT Limited	(ADTL)	16,940,606	21 1/2	off 1 3/4
Nike Inc B	(NIKE)	15,762,983	28	off 3/4
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	14,887,765	19 1/2	off 3/8
Cores St Fncl	(CSFN)	14,691,519	24 1/4	off 1/4

Composite Index 142.49 off 1.81

NMS volume 87,869,904 shares.

Advances	614
Declines	897
Unchanged	1,287
Total	2,798

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CHICAGO (OCT. 16) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Tuesday - 8,292,000

1990 to date - 1,998,068,000

The market closed lower.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 93 points higher to 10 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	72.98	73.90	72.65	73.76	72.83
Mar	73.40	74.15	72.95	74.08	73.15
May	73.60	74.50	73.40	74.35	73.60
Jly	73.65	74.65	73.60	74.35	73.65
Oct	69.10	....	....	69.15	69.20
Dec	67.75	67.76	67.65	67.75	67.80
Mar	68.05	68.05	68.05	68.25	68.35

Estimated sales: 1,000 contracts

Open interest: 39,247 up 576

The World spot average: unavailable

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - Partisan warfare raged in the House Tuesday after Democrats barred Republicans from offering a budget plan that fell far short of cutting the deficit by the required $500 billion over five years.

Charges and countercharges flew across the House chamber prior to a showdown vote, expected late Tuesday, on a Democratic-sponsored deficit reduction plan.

The plan, which President Bush threatened to veto, was expected to pass the Democrat-controlled House with few, if any, GOP votes. It was part of a package of specific revenue increases and spending cuts to implement a budget plan passed by both Houses 10 days ago.

The Senate was expected to vote either late Tuesday or Wednesday on its own bipartisan deficit reduction package that Bush had indicated he could support.

After the Senate acts, negotiators from each chamber will try to iron out the differences in what is expected to be the largest deficit reduction package ever considered by Congress. The final plan must pass each house before going to Bush.

A temporary spending bill to keep the government running expires at midnight Friday and Bush has vowed to veto any new stop-gap spending measure unless Congress sends him a budget plan he can accept before Friday's deadline.

Campaigning at the College of DuPage, near Chicago, Bush pronounced the Democrats' plan unacceptable.

''I will veto it because it raises the taxes of the working men and women of this country,'' Bush said of the Democrats' plan.

The Democrats' plan would raise income tax rates on the rich from 28 percent to 33 percent, impose a 10 percent luxury tax on expensive cars, jewlery, yachts and furs and add a 10 percent surtax on those with taxable incomes above $1 million a year.

It would reduce Medicare cuts by $18 billion, from the $60 billion proposed by the bipartisan budget summit, and rejected by the House, to $42 billion over five years.

And it would raise taxes on cigarettes by 4 cents a pack in 1991 and by 4 more cents in 1993. It would double, to 32 cents a six-pack, the tax on beer and increase taxes on wine and distilled spirits.

The Democrats' plan would also freeze for one year the annual inflation adjustment of income tax rates and personal exemptions. That would raise taxes by about $313 on a family of four with a taxable income of $34,000 next year, according to Treasury Department figures.

''This is a major tax increase that's going to put this country into a deep, bottomless recession,'' Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., said of the one-year freeze. ''They (Democrats) are going to tax and tax and tax us all to death.''

The proposal eliminates gasoline tax increases and revenue losing proposals, such as tax breaks for small business investments, in the rejected budget summit proposal.

Early Tuesday, the House Rules Committee, an arm of the Democratic leadership, voted along party lines to prevent consideration of an alternative deficit reduction plan drafted by Republicans. That plan contained virtually no new

taxes and got its savings from spending cuts and freezes.

It was barred from floor debate because it had only $410 billion in deficit cuts over five years. That fell $90 billion short of the $500 billion deficit reduction goal previously demanded by Bush, congressional leaders and the budget blueprints passed last week by both houses.

The GOP plan also cut the fiscal year 1991 deficit by about $35 billion - about $6 billion less than the required by the budget summit.

After a party caucus Tuesday, Republicans screamed about what Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas, termed the ''incredible arrogance'' of House Democrats in preventing consideration of the GOP plan.

''They punished us because we did not raise taxes,'' said Rep. Duncan Hunter, R-Calif. ''The Democrats are only allowing a tax increase package to go to the floor.''

''We have been denied by the tyranny of the (Democratic) majority,'' said Rep. John Kasich, R-Ohio, co-author of the GOP plan.

But Democrats defended their decision and some even poked fun at the GOP.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	34.30-34.35	33.70-33.75
North Sea Brent	38.90-38.95	38.20-38.25
West Texas Intermed	38.85-38.90	37.95-38.00
Light Louisiana Sweet	39.40-39.50	38.60-38.70
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	100.85-101.10	97.45-97.70
No. 2 Heating oil	103.00-103.25	101.05-101.30
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	96.25-96.50	95.40-95.65
No. 2 Heating oil	101.00-101.20	101.80-102.05

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BOSTON (OCT. 16) UPI - High-level U.S. trade negotiators said Tuesday they urged Japan during two days of talks to tighten its anti-trust laws, while Japanese representatives raised questions about the stalled U.S. federal budget process.

Anti-trust issues emerged as the U.S. delegation's strongest point "in a group of strong positions" by the American side during the talks by the U.S.-Japan Working Group on the Structural Impediments Initiative, said S. Linn Williams, deputy U.S. Trade Representative.

The talks were the first follow-up meeting on an agreement in June between the United States and Japan to try to remove structural problems that impede trade and adjustment of balance of payments.

One delegate, Charles Dallara, assistant secretary of the Treasury for international affairs, said "changes in (Japanese) law will probably be necessary to accomplish" some changes the United States wants.

And an assistant attorney general, James Rill, said the United States was looking into the applicability of American anti-trust laws to "foreign buyer cartels having an effect on overseas trade." Such a study currently "is very active, very much alive" in the Department of Justice, he said.

Rill said he anticipated the Justice Department would have a report within a month and then "will talk with other agencies" about possible extension of the Sherman Anti-trust Act to foreign buyers.

The Americans said they also discussed a range of "shareholders' rights" measures designed to liberalize Japanese corporate governance. These included broadening the scope for derivative law suits and the lowering the ownership minimums that allow stockholders access to corporate financial information, Dallara said.

Also, the Americans repeated their concerns about the close relationships among Japanese companies that sometimes lead to exclusionary business practices.

As for worries about the apparent paralysis in the federal government over the budget, the Japanese "asked the same kind of questions that any intelligent observer would ask," said Williams, head of the U.S. delegation. "We don't have any answers for them."

While it is too early to assess the success of the two sides' efforts, downturn in both countries' economies since the two sides agreed on a joint effort "have not changed at all our expectations of the ... Structural Impediments Initiative." "We believe further progress is necessary," Williams said.

Ironically, the talks were held in Boston in part because the U.S. delegation could not afford to go to Japan. The delegation was "seriously considering going to Japan" but "then the budget crisis came and we concluded the costs were 20 to 25 percent less if we stayed here," Williams said. The next meetings on the SII probably will be in late January or early February in Japan, Williams said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2420.30	2434.41	2366.83	2381.19	off 35.15
20 Trans	832.10	838.02	817.86	823.41	off 8.88
15 Utils	207.18	209.07	205.67	206.55	off 0.44
65 Stock	856.05	861.85	840.61	845.58	off 9.59

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Tuesday	Monday
Indus	17,261,000	26,122,900
Trans	2,155,600	3,356,000
Utils	2,843,200	3,820,400
65 Stock	22,259,800	33,299,300

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.82	off 0.21
10 Public Utils	90.85	off 0.15
10 Industrials	86.79	off 0.27

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 126.53 off 1.09.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Citicorp	3,582,300	13	off 1 1/8
Pacific Corp	2,217,700	21 1/8	up 1/8
Genl Electric	1,820,400	51 1/2	off 2 7/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,764,000	27	off 1 3/4
IBM Corp	1,690,200	99 3/8	up 1/8
Eastern Utilities	1,577,300	26 1/8	off 1/8
Waste Management	1,544,800	29 1/2	off 1 7/8

Philip Morris	1,522,900	45 1/4	off	3/8
Great Westrn Fncl	1,522,100	9 1/8	off	1 1/2
Archer Daniels	1,521,100	22 1/2	up	1
Student Loan	1,466,700	36 1/2	off	6 5/8
Wal-Mart Stores	1,332,000	25 1/2	off	3/8
AT&T Co	1,310,100	31 5/8	off	5/8
Nynex Corp	1,304,000	72 7/8	off	3 7/8
Golden West Fncl	1,295,100	19 3/8	off	4 3/8

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(OCT. 16) UPI - Secretary of State Baker today repeated the U-S position to accept NOTHING less than Iraq's complete withdrawal from Kuwait. Baker says Iraq offered a- quote- ''siren song of a partial solution'' to the Gulf crisis. But he says it's unacceptable for what he called the ''rape of Kuwait.''

A special envoy from Soviet President Gorbachev today briefed Italy's prime minister on his recent meeting with Saddam Hussein in Baghdad. The envoy said he feels Saddam is prepared to negotiate if there's NO ultimatum and NO threat of a military operation.

President Bush ran into more hecklers upset about the Persian Gulf build-up today at a campaign stop outside Chicago. Members of a crowd chanted, ''We want peace.'' Bush fired back saying- ''What we are for is peace in the Middle East.''

Earlier, Bush was heckled during a Republican campaign rally in Des Moines, Iowa. Someone shouted- ''NO blood for oil.'' Bush responded, saying the fight in the Persian Gulf is about naked aggression- NOT oil.

Researchers report there's NO apparent increase in deaths due to changes in the Medicare system aimed at cutting costs. The changes have led to patients being sent home from hospitals faster and more often in less stable condition.

University of Chicago business professor Merton Miller says he was upset when his telephone rang at 5:45 this morning. It was the Nobel Prize committee calling to tell him he's one of three American professors named winners of the 1990 economics prize. The others are Harry Markowitz of City University of New York and William Sharpe of Stanford.

In Cairo, Egypt, a radio report that a bomb was found inside a metro station trash can caused panic today. Police experts were called to de- fuse the device... which turned out to be an empty insect repellent can wired to a battery.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	325.44	off	4.10	339.11	459.93
Industrial	344.11	off	5.11	359.12	446.47
Finance	331.05	off	0.78	338.24	541.01
Insurance	38$.20	off	0.98	392.12	525.17
Utility	447.73	off	9.14	477.76	733.62
Bank	242.73	off	0.39	250.53	454.76
Transport	360.34	off	6.87	380.74	477.51

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 142.49 off 1.81

Industrial Index 135.93 off 2.06

NASDAQ-100 Index 330.98 off 7.72

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - The White House and Senate said Tuesday they have agreed to a $15 billion, five-year child-care package providing tax credits for working poor families and grants to states.

The House was not party to the negotiations, but key senators contend the House has all but agreed to the plan. However, not all House members were as optimistic.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine said the Senate will include the child-care plan in its deficit reduction package that must receive final approval by midnight Friday.

However, the House has not included child care in its budget package. An aide to Rep. Thomas Downey, D-N.Y., who is a member of a child-care conference committee, said the House has no plans to do so, preferring to work outside the budget discussions and continue to work on a bill within the child-care conference committees.

''Child care is not a done deal,'' said Downey's press secretary, Larry Spinelli. ''We feel that there are still substantial differences between the House and Senate on child care.''

Republican and Democratic senators were positively effusive at a news

conference about the Senate-White House child-care agreement, which has taken nearly two years, gone through several versions and received veto threats from President Bush.

Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., chief sponsor of the Senate child- care bill, noted the negotiations were difficult but eventually fruitful.

''We and the White House began the 101st Congress very far apart. But what made this agreement possible is our mutual commitment to provide parents with the greatest range of choices for the care of their children,'' Dodd said.

''This is a sensitive, kind, decent and compassionate piece of legislation,'' said Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah.

''Today we are seeing a strong bipartisan commitment to children and to working men and women,'' said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass. ''Children may call out with the softest voices, but they have the strongest needs.''

The agreement would provide grants to states and an extention of the earned-income tax credit for low-income families. The plan will assist children under 13 whose family income is below 75 percent of the state median income.

Under the package, 75 percent of the funds would be used for activities to increase the availability, affordability and quality of child care. All child-care services provided with this money would be available through grants contracts or certificates with the intention of offering parents the maximum range of choices of child-care providers, including care by relatives and care in neighborhood homes, churches and schools.

Parents receiving certificates could select any licensed, regulated or registered provider that is in compliance with applicable state and local law.

The remaining 25 percent would be reserved for quality improvement activities and early childhood education and before- and after-school child-care services. These services would be provided through grants or contracts.

All funded programs must meet minimum state or local health and safety requirements.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Hotel queen Leona Helmsley's lawyer appealed her income tax evasion conviction Tuesday, arguing prosecutors used her testimony before a state grand jury to convict her in federal court.

Members of the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals appeared to be receptive at

least in part to arguments of her attorney, Harvard Law school professor Alan Dershowitz.

Helmsley, 70, was convicted in U.S. District Court a year ago of 33 criminal charges when a jury found her guilty of evading $1.2 million in taxes between 1983 and 1985.

She was sentenced by Judge John Walker to 4 years in prison and a $7.1 million fine. Helmsley is free on a $25 million bail.

After Dershowitz argued before the court that tax experts who studied Helmsley's situation found she actually had overpaid taxes, a member of the three-judge appeals court, James Oakes, appeared to concur, saying he ''had some problems with the tax issue.''

Much of the evidence presented in the trial dealt with how Helmsley billed hotels for personal items, in effect disguising income to evade taxes.

Dershowitz also argued the case brought against Helmsley was tainted because it was based on her testimony before a state grand jury. He said information from the secret state panel was used to bring the federal indictment.

Dershowitz called the tie between her state testimony and the federal indictment a ''direct chain of causation.''

Cathy Seibel, the assistant U.S. attorney who argued the government's case, denied there was such a connection, claiming instead the federal government developed its case based on reporting in the New York Post.

Said Winter, ''It does seem to me a fairly close matter.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Chambers Dev A	1,129,300	14 3/4	off 2 3/4
Continental Air	708,100	4 5/8	up 1/4
Echo Bay Mn	351,900	10 5/8	off 1/4
Belvedere Corp	264,100	1 7/8	off 1/8
Hasbro Inc	255,800	11 5/8	off 3/8
Denmark K wt	219,700	19 3/8	up 3/8
Paine Webber wtB	196,900	9 1/2	up 3/8
Salomon wtFb	193,000	19 5/8	up 1/2
Corona Corp A	181,200	4 5/8	off 3/8
Salomon wtJn	180,300	18 3/8	up 1/4

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Tue	Mon	Tue	Mon
Argntn austral	.000184	.000184	5439.00	5439.00
Australia dlr	.7849	.7885	1.2740	1.2682
Austria schill	.0938	.0934	10.66	10.71
Belgium franc-c	.0320	.0319	31.26	31.33
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0112	.0113	89.43	88.46
Britain pound	1.9635	1.9493	.5093	.5130
Britain 1-mo	1.9537	1.9393	.5118	.5156
Britain 3-mo	1.9371	1.9230	.5162	.5200
Britain 6-mo	1.9148	1.9010	.5222	.5260
Canada dollar	.8647	.8669	1.1565	1.1535
Canada 1-mo	.8615	.8639	1.1607	1.1575
Canada 3-mo	.8560	.8582	1.1682	1.1652
Canada 6-mo	.8484	.8506	1.1787	1.1757
Chile peso-f	.003430	.003451	291.53	289.78
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001914	.001900	522.36	526.20
Denmark krne	.1728	.1721	5.7885	5.8110
Ecudr sucre-z	.001197	.001198	835.58	834.60
Egypt pound	.3686	.3686	2.7130	2.7130
Finlnd mrkka	.2793	.2782	3.5810	3.5945
France franc	.1973	.1960	5.0695	5.1020
France 1-mo	.1970	.1957	5.0764	5.1088
France 3-mo	.1964	.1955	5.0913	5.1158
France 6-mo	.1955	.1942	5.1155	5.1498
Greece drach	.006585	.006600	151.87	151.51
Hollnd guildr	.5865	.5817	1.7051	1.7191
HongKong dlr	.1287	.1288	7.7670	7.7630
India rupee	.0559	.0560	17.89	17.85
Indo'sa rupia	.000541	.000541	1848.00	1847.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7703	1.7590	0.5649	0.5685
Israel shekel	.5066	.5061	1.9740	1.9760
Italy lira	.000882	.000876	1133.75	1141.00
Japan yen	.007878	.007831	126.93	127.70
Japan 1-mo	.007881	.008013	126.89	124.80

Japan 3-mo	.007893	.007924	126.70	126.20
Japan 6-mo	.008012	.008331	124.81	120.03
Jordan dinar	1.5674	1.5674	.6380	.6380
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000346	.000347	2891.00	2881.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6036	.6078	1.6567	1.6453
Norway krne	.1701	.1693	5.8800	5.9050
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.54	21.54
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	433,400	433,400
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007478	.007492	133.73	133.48
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5816	.5807	1.7195	1.7220
S.Africa rand	.3947	.3954	2.5336	2.5291
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010537	.010455	94.90	95.65
Sweden krona	.1781	.1775	5.6140	5.6340
Switzrl franc	.7834	.7752	1.2765	1.2900
Switzrl 1-mo	.7831	.7750	1.2770	1.2904
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7830	.7719	1.2772	1.2955
Switzrl 6-mo	.7828	.7751	1.2775	1.2902
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.79	26.79
Turkey lira	.000369	.000370	2708.00	2701.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Venez bolivr-z	.0207	.0207	48.24	48.27
W.Ger Mark	.6610	.6555	1.5128	1.5255
W.Ger 1-mo	.6609	.6554	1.5130	1.5257
W.Ger 3-mo	.6608	.6548	1.5133	1.5272
W.Ger 6-mo	.6607	.6535	1.5135	1.5303
Yugosl dinar	.0956	.0960	10.46	10.42

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	355.03	213.43	138.94	19.92	303.23
Opening	354.52	212.79	138.47	19.95	302.76
11 a.m.	354.91	213.33	138.17	19.95	302.94

Noon	353.80	212.86	137.88	19.89	302.04
1 p.m.	352.09	211.79	137.36	19.78	300.62
2 p.m.	351.91	211.81	137.52	19.70	300.47
3 p.m.	351.38	211.46	137.60	19.56	299.98
Close	350.09	210.19	137.34	19.46	298.92
Change	off 4.94	off 3.24	off 1.60	off 0.46	off 4.31

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(OCT. 16) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Tuesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire hth H	5625	off 75
Atl Rich pf C	304 5/8	off 11 3/8
Student Loan	36 1/2	off 6 5/8
Captl Cities	435	off 6
Matsushita El	145 1/2	up 4 7/8
Golden West Fncl	19 3/8	off 4 3/8
Nynex Corp	72 7/8	off 3 7/8
Wash Post	193 1/2	off 3 3/4
PPG Indus	34 5/8	off 3 3/4
Itel Corp pfC	30 1/4	off 3 3/4

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - Deadly brain tumors are striking elderly Americans at an alarmingly increasing rate, government researchers reported Tuesday.

While at a loss to explain the upsurge, researchers at the National Institutes of Health found the occurrence of malignant brain tumors had increased ''dramatically'' between 1973 and 1985 among the elderly in the United States.

The greatest increase occurred among those age 85 and older, with the incidence apparently jumping fivefold in that group, the researchers said. But the incidence also nearly doubled among those 75 to 79 and nearly quadrupled for those ages 80 to 84, they said.

While the overall cancer rate only increased by 0.9 percent each year during the same period, the increase in brain cancers translates into a jump of more than 23 percent a year for those 85 and older.

Moreover, the most common types of brain tumor were those known as glioblastoma multiforme and astrocytoma, which are ''highly malignant and invariably fatal,'' the researchers said.

Despite the increase, the researchers noted malignant brain tumors remain relatively uncommon. There are only about 15,000 new cases in the United States each year, representing only about 1.5 percent of all cancer cases.

Nevertheless, the apparent increase is ''alarming,'' said Nigel Greig, a neuroscientist at the National Institute on Aging who led the new study, published in the Journal of the National Cancer Institute.

The findings are based on data collected in Connecticut, Iowa, New Mexico, Utah, Hawaii, Atlanta, Detroit, San Francisco, Seattle as part of the National Cancer Institute's Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results, or SEER, program, which gathers cancer data from a representative sample of 10 percent of the U.S. population.

The researchers speculated the findings may not be due to a genuine increase in the brain tumors, but simply to improved technology that enables doctors to find tumors that previously went undiagnosed.

They noted, however, that ''it is unlikely ... these factors are solely responsible for the dramatic annual increase in the reported incidence rates.''

Greig indicated the increase could have been caused by something in the environment. But too little is known about brain tumors to even speculate, he said, and much more research is needed to explore the issue.

''There is just too little information to say right now it's because of this particular factor or that particular factor,'' he said.

But ''irrespective of the causes, the dramatic rise in incidence rates indicates that these tumors are a greater concern than hitherto recognized,'' Greig and his colleagues wrote.

In an editorial accompanying the study, Peter Boyle and colleagues at the International Agency for Research on Cancer in Lyon, France, said confirming the increase and explaining the cause could offer new insights into cancer.

But, they added, ''Our current knowledge of the risk factors for brain cancer is so limited that no explanation can be readily put forward to explain why such large increases, if real, should be taking place.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Remarks by U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady Tuesday that dismissed concerns about the dollar's decline helped the U.S. unit to plunge even lower in New York foreign exchange trading.

Meanwhile, heavy gold sales in London drove prices of the metal sharply lower

and boosted Britain's pound sterling against the dollar. Analysts said that increased international pressure on the beleagured U.S. currency.

"We think that the currency markets are relatively stable," Brady told world financial executives meeting in Washington, alluding to the dollar's slide in recent months. "They haven't been plunging, they're stable."

Traders took this as a sign that the Treasury was not sufficiently concerned about the dollar's fall to order Federal Reserve intervention - thereby giving them a green light to keep selling it aggressively.

In late New York dealings, the dollar was quoted at 1.5110 German marks, off about 1 1/2 pfennigs from 1.5265 German marks, and at 126.65 Japanese yen, down more than one yen from 127.75 the day before.

Bank of Tokyo senior customer dealer John Lyman said selling was prompted too by a report from a Washington consulting firm, saying the dollar could fall to 122-123 yen before U.S. officials would move to support it.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2755 Swiss francs, off from 1.2905; 5.0600 French francs, down from 5.1120; and 1,131.50 Italian lire, off from 1,143. The pound climbed to $1.9650 from $1.9490.

In Europe, the dollar closed mixed against the main units, with gold's fall and the pound sterling's rise hurting the U.S. unit.

"The market is mainly sterling oriented. There is large selling of gold into sterling. Nobody knows who is putting in the orders, but rumors are that it is a Middle Eastern bank," said a dealer at Barclays de Zoete Wedd. He said the pound's strength hurt the dollar. Sterling closed at $1.9570 in London, up from Monday's close of $1.9550.

The dollar ended lower in Frankfurt, at 1.5140 German marks against 1.5230 at Monday's close. The dollar was also lower in Zurich, at 1.2815 Swiss francs against 1.2845.

The dollar closed higher in Paris at 5.1155 French francs vs. 5.1055. But in Brussels, the U.S. unit fell to 31.26 Belgian francs vs. 31.36. In Milan, the dollar moved up to 1,143.90 lire vs. 1,142.55.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar remained weak against the Japanese yen, closing at 128.05 yen, down 0.10 yen from 128.15 yen Monday. "Bearish sentiment for the dollar remained unchanged basically," one dealer said, but noted some interest by import-export companies.

In Zurich, gold plummeted $15 to $364 an ounce, from $379. In London, it fell to $362.50, off $16.75 from Monday's price of $379.25. "There was a veritable raid on gold with investors and speculators especially selling gold for

sterling," a Zurich currency dealer said.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $362.75 an ounce, off $13.25 from $376 Monday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $362 an ounce, off $13 from $375.

Precious metals expert Alan Posnick, a vice president of MTB Banking Corp. in New York, said market-watchers believed Saudi Arabian investors unloaded gold in Europe, perhaps to meet Gulf crisis-related expenses.

But, he added, Japanese investors pressured to meet stock market margin calls and Soviet officials fending off an economic collapse have also dumped gold in the past few months, softening prices despite Gulf events.

"There's a need for cash, be it the Saudis, the Russians or the Japanese, and people are looking for what is available to sell," the commodities analyst said. "Precious metals are at the top of the list."

Silver closed unchanged in Zurich at $4.20 an ounce. But it eased in London to $4.21 an ounce against $4.23. Republic closed cash silver at $4.17 an ounce, up from $4.16. Comex silver closed at $4.142 an ounce, up from $4.132.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Tuesday it will offer $19.2 billion in 13-week and 26-week T-bills at its weekly auction next Monday to raise $1.875 billion in new cash.

But the department also said it "will postpone the auction unless it has assurance of enactment of legislation to raise the statutory debt limit before the scheduled auction date."

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(OCT. 16) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.97	8.07	8.70
91-day Treasury bills	7.39	7.38	7.41
182-day Treasury bills	7.58	7.56	7.47
1-year Treasury bills	7.57	7.57	7.30
3-year Treasury notes	8.07	8.08	7.91
7-year Treasury notes	8.62	8.67	7.99
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.89	8.94	8.01
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.30	9.40	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.98	9.98	9.15

GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.31	9.35	9.05
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.54	9.57	9.06
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.60	9.62	9.22
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.58	9.60	9.21

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Stocks tumbled in moderate trading Tuesday, pressured by nervousness about the outcome of budget wrangling in Washington and fading prospects for a peaceful resolution to the Mideast crisis.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 18.32 Monday, slid 35.15 to close at 2381.19.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 2.20 to 163.64 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index tumbled 4.31 to 298.92. The price of an average share lost 38 cents.

Declines pummeled advances 1,072-475 among the 1,979 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume was 149,570,000 shares, down from 164,980,000 traded Monday.

Partisan warfare raged in the House Tuesday after Democrats barred Republicans from offering a budget plan that fell far short of cutting the deficit by the required $500 billion over five years.

Charges and countercharges flew across the House chamber prior to a showdown vote, expected late Tuesday, on a Democratic-sponsored deficit reduction plan.

The plan, which President Bush threatened to veto, would raise income tax rates on the rich from 28 percent to 33 percent. And oil prices closed sharply higher as compromise in the Persian Gulf crisis appeared to be publicly ruled out from all sides Tuesday.

The Soviets denied a report they had engineered a partial Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the emirate's exiled premier said his government would not give up "a single inch" of territory. Oil prices jumped 94 cents a barrel to $38.89.

"What happened in the market today is a function of all the negatives still out there," said Jim Andrews, first vice president in charge of institutional trading at Janney Montgomery Scott Inc. in Philadelphia.

"On the budget, these guys are really throwing stones at each other now and it looks like we're going down to the 12th hour on that one. The market is perceiving it as the number one problem because (Federal Reserve Chairman Alan) Greenspan won't lower rates until a budget is in place.

"And that lunatic in the Mideast, he's not making it any easier on us either," Andrews went on. "The concept is that we still have problems that are nowhere near fruition. That's where the focus is."

On the trading floor, Citicorp was the most active issue, sinking 1 1/8 to 13 after reporting a sharp drop in third-quarter earnings. The results were close to expectations, but some analysts worried that the bank was sacrificing the future to meet expectations today.

Pacificorp followed, up 1/8 to 21 1/8 in dividend-related trading. General Electric was third, plunging 2 7/8 to 51 1/2 after reporting a rise in third-quarter earnings, but the results were at the low end of analysts expectations.

Federal National Mortgage Association was next, down 1 3/4 to 27 after raising its dividend to 22 cents a share from 18 cents.

Among the blue chips, AT&T lost 5/8 to 31 5/8, IBM gained 1/8 to 99 3/8, Eastman Kodak fell 1 1/8 to 36 3/4, Woolworth lost 1 1/2 to 24 1/2, and General Motors tumbled 1 3/8 to 36.

Elsewhere, two thrifts plunged in active trading after disappointing earnings reports. Golden West Financial sank 4 3/8 to 19 3/8 and Great Western Financial tumbled 1 1/2 to 9 1/8 before trading was halted for its profit statement late in the session.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 182,418,430 shares, compared with 194,881,120 shares traded Monday.

Prices were sharply lower in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index sank 2.95 to 290.32. Declines led advances 365-194 among the 784 issues traded. The price of an average share lost nine cents. Composite volume was 12,903,150 shares vs. 11,942, 700 traded Monday. Chambers Development Class A led the Amex issues, sinking 2 3/4 to 14 3/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index slid 4.11 to 325.43.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 1
New lows 90

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	193	3,777,900
Declines	366	5,564,300
Unchanged	224	1,807,800
Total	783	11,150,000

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#90289u1928 10/16/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - Democrats compiled a better environmental voting record than Republicans in this congressional session and New Englanders were ''greener'' than lawmakers from other regions, the League of Conservation Voters said Tuesday.

The league, the political umbrella organization for the nation's major environmental groups, said legislators from Rocky Mountain and Southwest states made the worst showing on its 1990 ''environmental scoreboard,'' which examined how lawmakers voted on 20 crucial issues.

Overall, league officials said the scorecard revealed a ''massive greenscam'' on the part of lawmakers who pledged to protect the environment on the 20th anniversary of Earth Day in April.

''Hordes of politicians descended on Earth Day 1990, fishing, hiking, planting trees and posing in front of recycling centers,'' said Brent Blackwelder, chairman of the league.

''But when they returned to the nation's capitol, our lawmakers forgot about Earth Day,'' he said. ''Congress went back to business as usual, ducking the tough choices and the hard decisions in favor of the special interests who flatter them and fund their campaigns.''

Blackwelder said Congress passed little environmental legislation this year, noting in particular that the the clean air bill was still being debated.

''With only a few days remaining in the final session, the league found inaction, avoidance and empty rhetoric,'' Blackwelder said.

The league's scorecard was based on records compiled by lawmakers on 12 environmental floor votes in the Senate and eight in the House.

Eight of the 12 Senate votes involved the clean air bill, including amendments to toughen limits on automobile emissions and weaken enforcement provisions. Other Senate votes focused on bills to raise fuel efficiency requirements for cars and restrict log exports from Northwest forests.

The eight House votes included legislation to limit ''environmentally damaging'' federal water subsidies to western farmers, to cut federal money for production of plutonium for nuclear weapons, and to set national standards for organic fruits and vegetables.

League officials said the votes selected for the scorecard were those which are viewed as critical to the environment, closely contested and heavily lobbied by both environmentalists and industry.

Some of the key findings from the scorecard:

-House Democrats, on average, voted the ''right way'' 68 percent of the time and Senate Democrats 65 percent of the time. In contrast, House Republicans cast ''green'' votes 32 percent of the time and Senate Republicans registered 40 percent.

-House members from New England voted ''green'' 83 percent of the time and the region's senators 76 percent, compiling the best overall record for a region of the country.

-Rocky Mountain House members and senators both voted ''right'' only 35 percent of the time, the worst regional score along with Southwest House members, 38 percent, and senators, 33 percent.

-Scoring 100 percent ''correct'' in the Senate were John Kerry, D- Mass., Richard Bryan, D-Nev., Bill Bradley, D-N.J., Frank Lautenberg, D- N.J., and Claiborne Pell, R-R.I. Twenty-seven House members also scored 100.

-Scoring 0 percent ''correct'' were Sens. Thad Cochran and Trent Lott, both R-Miss., and 23 House members.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	166.20	163.64	163.64	off 2.20
Industrial	204.80	202.16	202.16	off 2.75
Transport	129.66	128.37	128.37	off 1.05

Utility	87.32	86.73	86.78	off 0.83
Finance	107.11	105.05	105.05	off 2.04

Equivalent to a loss of 38 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 149,570,000 shares.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 16) UPI - A compromise economic reform plan submitted to Parliament committees Tuesday drew immediate criticism from Russian leader Boris Yeltsin, who charged President Mikhail Gorbachev broke his promise to support a more radical program.

The new 70-page presidential proposal is a combination of a conservative plan supported by Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov that maintains much central economic control and a radical plan for a quick move to a market system developed by a committee set up by Gorbachev and Yeltsin.

The Russian republic's Parliament has already approved the more radical plan and many officials and economists have said it would be impossible to form a workable blueprint by combining the two radically different rival plans.

Yeltsin warned if the compromise plan with its slower move away from central control of the economy is adopted by the Soviet government, the huge Russian republic may be forced to ignore the Kremlin plan and implement its own "500-day" program - essentially splitting its economy from the Soviet Union. "This is difficult but we may have to follow this road," Yeltsin said.

Yeltsin told a session of the Russian Parliament that Gorbachev had promised him personally he would support the 500-day plan drafted by the commission headed by economist Stanislav Shatalin.

"During our conversation the president said he would support only that program " Yeltsin said. "It was realistic to begin the program on Oct. 1. We were ready for that. But the sinking union government put pressure on the president and he once more changed his decision. Once more an attempt is made to preserve the system that is hated by the people."

The leader of the Russian republic, who gained power as a populist after being kicked out of his Communist Party posts for criticizing the pace of reforms, said the new Gorbachev plan was an attempt "to preserve the administrative-bureaucratic system."

The compromise proposal was submitted to parliamentary committees for their consideration Tuesday and will be formally presented to the entire Parliament

in a speech by Gorbachev Friday, presidential spokesman Vitaly Ignatenko said.

Viktor Kucherenko, chairman of the Parliament's planning, budget and finance commission, told the official news agency Tass the new Gorbachev proposal combined many aspects of the Ryzhkov government plan and the Shatalin plan.

He said the plan did not include the strict schedule of privatization that was part of the 500-day plan and it also maintains central control of many wholesale and retail prices, imposing state-set increases rather than allowing market prices as in the Shatalin plan.

The compromise proposal does envisage eliminating the state monopoly on property and privatizing the economy, but the process will be slow and "it is hardly likely that state property will be sold off within the next few months " Kucherenko said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	329.80	324.96	325.44	off 4.10
Industrial	349.49	343.58	344.11	off 5.11
Finance	332.56	300.55	331.05	off 0.78
Insurance	383.09	380.01	381.20	off 0.98
Utility	456.73	443.40	447.73	off 9.14
Bank	245.09	241.48	242.73	off 0.39
Transport	366.78	359.53	360.34	off 6.87

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	142.49 off 1.81
Industrial Index	135.93 off 2.06
NASDAQ-100 Index	330.98 off 7.72
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.39 off 0.08
Volume	87,869,904 shares
Advances	614
Declines	897
Unchanged	1,287
Total	2,798

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	117,130,300
Advances	732
Declines	1,125
Unchanged	2,384
Total	4,241

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#90289u1983 10/16/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 16) UPI - Charges and counter-charges flew across the House chamber today, ahead of a showdown vote expected this evening on a Democratic-sponsored deficit-reduction plan. The plan is expected to pass the Democrat- controlled House with few, if any, Republican votes. Campaigning near Chicago today, President Bush pronounced the Democrats' plan unacceptable and said he will veto it because it ''raises the taxes of the working men and women of this country.''

Iraq blasted President Bush today, calling him a ''clown'' waging war at the behest of oil companies. The official Iraqi news agency reported the comments, which were in response to a speech Bush made yesterday likening Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to Hitler. The criticism came as a reported Soviet-engineered compromise to end the Persian Gulf crisis appeared to be publicly ruled out from all sides.

In Moscow, Russian Republic leader Boris Yeltsin today attacked a compromise presidential economic plan submitted to Parliament for a move to a market economy. Yeltsin charged that President Gorbachev broke his promise to support a more radical program. The new proposal is a combination of a conservative plan and a radical one.

Military sources say at least 14 people, including two soldiers, died in heavy fighting as government troops swept through rebel strongholds in northern El Salvador. The sources say government troops dismantled six other guerrilla camps during recent sweeps in two central provinces.

A former Drexel Burnham Lambert attorney denies he was asked by a trader of the firm if there was insider trading in the Beverly Hills, California, office. Kevin Madigan testified in the ''mini-trial'' of one-time Wall Street junk bond king Michael Milken in Manhattan federal court. Madigan refused to waive the lawyer-client privilege but briefly took the stand at the end of today's abbreviated session.

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KAIMU, Hawaii (OCT. 16) UPI - Molten rock spewing from the Kilauea volcano destroyed a home and threatened others in three areas of the lava- ravaged southeast coast of the island of Hawaii, authorities said Tuesday.

The molten streams slackened their march along the coastline past several housing areas but remained close to one structure, civil defense spokesman Lanny Nakano said.

Farther upslope, dormant flows awoke and sent streams of glowing lava to imperil the few remaining homes in the already devastated Kalapana Gardens and Royal Gardens housing areas, he said.

The lava erupted just upslope of a street in what remains of the once-prosperous Kalapana Gardens area and crept down to incinerate a home at 11 p.m. Monday, Nakano said.

Two other homes, both long since evacuated, were in danger with lava only 20 yards from one.

''The flow is bypassing the other home, but it could move toward (the home) because it's all in a flat area,'' Nakano said.

Only four homes remain in Kalapana Gardens, which was turned into a ghost town earlier this year by lava that inundated the historic coastal community of Kalapana and then headed for the neighboring settlement of Kaimu.

Another major flow that developed over the past few days in the Royal Gardens area split into two lobes, one of which was moving over the remains of earlier flows down to the 100-foot elevation.

Only 15 homes remain in Royal Gardens, which was invaded repeatedly by lava and largely destroyed in the early years of the eruption, which has lasted for almost eight years.

Two families still live in the rural subdivision, walking one mile over the old lava flow to get in and out of their homes and doing without utilities.

Civil defense observers relied on helicopter overflights and occasional checks by hiking National Park rangers and Hawaiian Volcano Observatory scientists to keep track of the flow in Royal Gardens.

Although there was no immediate threat to three dozen homes in the Kaimu-Makena Homestead, Kalapana Shores, and Kalapana Haven settlements, ''several homes in the area are still in danger as lava is close to the structures,'' officials said.

The eruption, which began in January 1983, is the longest in recorded history and has destroyed 178 homes and other structures as well as destroying many

houselots and paving over miles of roadways.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Afffliated Fund 8.72 9.35

Anchor Fund Inv	13.76	14.60
Delaware Mutual	16.02	17.18
Fidelity Fund	15.42	15.42
Investors Mutual	10.30	10.84
Investors Stocks	17.16	18.06
Investors Select	8.22	8.66
IDS Equity Plus	8.24	8.68
Mass Inv Growth	7.27	7.84
Nicholas Fund	3.14	3.14
United Accumulated	5.84	6.38
United Income	15.34	16.77
Vanguard Wellington	15.25	15.25

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(OCT 16) UPI - Snow fell over the northern Rockies and the mountains of the Pacific Northwest Tuesday and rain fell across parts of the Plains, the Midwest and the Northeast.

Advisories for snow were posted Tuesday night for the mountains of central Wyoming and mountain passes of the Continental Divide in Montana where up to 3 inches of snow fell, the National Weather Service said. Snow also fell over the Idaho Panhandle into the mountains of eastern Washington state.

Rain fell at lower elevations throughout the region and parts of the Dakotas, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Oklahoma and Arkansas. Showers also extended across parts of Ohio, Pennsylvania, Vermont, New Hampshire and northern Maine.

Tuesday was another unseasonably warm day over the Southeast. Tampa, Fla., warmed to 90 degrees, marking the 11th day in October and 136th day this year the temperature has reached at least 90 degrees. Tampa normally averages 83 days per year with temperatures of 90 degrees or higher.

In the East, the NWS said recreational boaters should exercise caution on the Ohio, Allegheny and Beaver rivers near Pittsburgh due to high water and swift currents.

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#90289u2033 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - Senate Republicans made a last-ditch effort Tuesday to scuttle a Democratic-backed civil rights bill, seeking to substitute a cut down measure that President Bush has agreed to sign.

Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas announced that he will seek to send the bill back to Senate-House negotiations with orders to return a GOP alternative that Democrats said would not bar discrimination in employment.

In a letter to Dole, Bush said he was convinced the compromise bill under consideration by the Senate ''will have the effect of forcing businesses to adopt quotas in hiring and promotion.''

''It will also foster divisiveness and litigation rather than conciliation and do more to promote legal fees than civil rights,'' Bush said. ''If this bill is presented to me, I will be compelled to veto it.''

Bush said the more narrow Republican alternative ''represents a sound, practical compromise, and I will sign such a bill if it is presented to me.''

The White House and Attorney General Dick Thornburgh have said the bill would be vetoed despite intense negotiations and efforts by sponsors of the measure to meet administration and business fears that it would lead to quotas in hiring and promotions.

Several senators said Bush would like to sign the bill, but is being pressured by Thornburgh and top White House aides to veto the measure.

The legislation would reverse or modify six Supreme Court decisions handed down in 1988-89 and four other decisions that date back to 1985 that involve awards and lawyer fees in job discrimination cases.

The measure also expands the historic 1964 Civil Rights Act by allowing victims of intentional discrimination to recover compensatory damages and in the most severe cases punitive damages.

The original bills were passed by the Senate 65-34 and by the House 272-154, both short of the needed two-thirds majority to override a veto.

But since then Senate-House negotiators have made major changes in the bill in a futile effort to meet administration objections.

The compromise bill expressly provides that nothing in the legislation should be intepreted to even ''encourage'' adoption of quotas; declares that statistical imbalance in the workforce does not by itself constitute discrimination; and limits punitive damages to $150, 000 or the amount of compensatory damages, whichever is greater.

''We have repeatedly modified this legislation in an attempt to meet the concerns of the administration,'' said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass. ''So far, however, the attorney general continues to recommend a veto.''

Kennedy urged Bush to take an ''independent look'' at the bill and the efforts made to ''go the extra mile and meet every reasonable objection of the White House.''

''If he does, I believe he will sign this legislation, because he will see that it is an anti-discrimination bill, not a quota bill,'' Kennedy said.

Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, another major supporter of the bill, said negotiators failed to reach a consensus because White House officials ''want to kill the bill. The president is being badly advised by some closest to him.''

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said he would have been willing to accept the compromise - despite personal misgivings - if the administration backed it.

''We failed. We couldn't put it together,'' Hatch said, adding that Bush has so much concern with the compromise that he will veto the bill.

Hatch charged that the bill would force business to ''make every employment decisions with an eye on the numbers'' and said the legislation is a ''significant and irresistible step toward quotas.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) UPI - U.S. inventories of crude oil fell for the fifth straight week to virtually eliminate the nation's excess over last year as imports declined further, the American Petroleum Institute reported Tuesday.

Crude oil inventories fell 6.2 million barrels to 343.3 million barrels last week from 349.5 million barrels in the prior week and were almost equal to year-ago levels of 342.8 million barrels, the API weekly survey found.

The decline brings the drop in U.S. crude inventories over the last five weeks to 30.2 million barrels.

Prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait, U.S. crude supplies were 56.5 million barrels above a year ago.

They began to fall in mid-September as the impact of the U.S. embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports began to be felt. It takes tankers 4-5 weeks to reach U.S. shores from the Middle East.

Crude oil imports declined to 5 million barrels a day from 5.5 million barrels

a day in the previous week but were substantially less than year ago imports of 6.5 million barrels a day.

Imports of refined products slipped to 1.3 million barrels daily from 1.6 million barrels daily in the preceding week and were lower than year-ago imports of 1.9 million barrels daily.

Inventories of distillate - used for home-heating oil and diesel fuel - edged up to 135.9 million barrels from 133.3 million barrels a week earlier and remained well above year-ago levels of 120.3 million barrels.

Distillate production stayed at 2.9 million barrels daily, the same level as in the preceding week and a year-ago.

Distillate imports plummeted to 47,000 barrels a day from 182,000 barrels a day in the previous week but were much lower than year-ago imports of 590,000 barrels a day.

Gasoline supplies increased slightly to 225.9 million barrels from 225.7 million barrels in the prior week and were ahead of year-ago levels of 225.3 million barrels.

Stocks of unleaded gasoline, which accounts for 90 percent of the domestic market, also increased to 175 million barrels from 174.1 million barrels a week earlier and remained higher than year-ago levels of 164.5 million barrels.

Gasoline production held steady at 7.1 million barrels daily, compared to 7 million barrels in the previous week, the same level as year-ago output.

Gasoline imports plunged substantially to 96,000 barrels daily from 216,000 barrels daily in the previous week and were well below year-ago imports of 156,000 barrels daily.

U.S. refineries operated at 85.8 percent of capacity last week, compared with 87.6 percent a week earlier and 87.4 percent a year ago.

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CAIRO (OCT. 16) UPI - Egypt Tuesday slashed its crude oil export prices by $3 a barrel across the board, the Egyptian General Petroleum Corp. said.

The announcement said the premium Zeit Bay-Ras el Behar and Gulf of Suez blends were now priced at $35.30 and 35.00 a barrel respectively.

The medium Balaim and Ras Baran crudes were priced at $34.15 and $33 a barrel respectively, the announcement said, and the heavy Ras Ghareb will sell for $32.70 a barrel.

EGPC Vice Chairman for Foreign Sale Hammad Aiyyoub said that a rumor originating in the Soviet Union of an imminent peaceful solution of the Gulf crisis had in part prompted the decrease.

Another contributing factor was the fact that oil consuming countries have begun to draw from their own strategic reserves, Aiyyoub said.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - The growing public anxiety over America's role in the Gulf crisis was dramatized today at a Republican campaign rally Iowa, where dissenters assailed President Bush. Hecklers demanded U-S troops be pulled out of the Middle East, shouting- ''NO blood for oil!'' An UNdaunted president responded by saying the fight is NOT about oil, but the naked aggression of Iraq's Saddam Hussein. Bush then headed for another campaign stop in Illinois... where he again met opponents of his Gulf policy.

Kuwait's exiled premier says the oil-rich emirate is NOT interested in a reported deal that would have Iraq withdrawing its forces in return for territorial concessions. Crown Prince Sheikh Saad al-Sabah told reporters- ''The people of Kuwait have already taken an unequivocal resolution NOT to make any concessions on Kuwaiti sovereignty.'' In addition, he says Kuwait won't surrender ''even a single inch of land'' to Iraq.

The Senate is ready to pass a compromise civil rights bill, despite the threat of a presidential veto. The measure would overturn Supreme Court decisions and restore the full strength of anti-discrimination laws affecting the workplace. Several senators say President Bush would like to sign the bill, but is being pressured by Attorney General Thornburgh and top White House officials to veto the measure.

The Bush adminstration and Senate today agreed to a 15-BILLION- dollar, five-year child-care package. The measure would provide grants to states and tax credits to low income families. Republican and Democratic senators alike were openly ethusiastic while announcing the accord. Child care was NOT included in budget talks in the House, whose members do NOT all share the optimism of their Senate colleagues. Or as one representative said- ''Child care is NOT a done deal.''

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(OCT. 16) UPI - Courtroom spectators were asked for proof of age and NO one under 18 was allowed to hear recordings of a concert performance by the rap group 2 Live Crew as its obscenity trial got under way today in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Broward County Judge June Johnson ruled that jurors in

the case will have to judge the band's controversial concert primarily from a tape recording that is largely unintelligible.

A survey of election records show Illinois Senator Paul Simon and Indiana Representative Jill Long top the list of lawmakers in Congress who have received the most donations from labor political action committees. The survey shows PAC's have contributed more than 23-Million dollars to this year's congressional campaigns... with seven individual union PAC's topping the one-Million-dollar donation mark. It says Democrats are the major recipients of labor money.

The federal government today sued three companies for polluting Indiana waterways feeding into Lake Michigan. The manufacturers charged with violating four separate statutes are Inland Steel, Bethlehem Steel and Federated Metals. The Justice Department says the maximum possible penalty under each statute is 25-thousand dollars a day per violation.

Three American professors share the 1990 Nobel prize for economics. The recipients are Harry Markowitz of City University of New York... Merton Miller of the University of Chicago... and William Sharpe of Stanford. The three were honored for their pioneering work in the theory of financial economics. They become the 16th, 17th and 18th Americans honored by the Royal Swedish Academy of Science since the award was created in 1969.

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 16) UPI - A federal appeals court Tuesday overturned a stay of execution for Wilbert Lee Evans, rejecting arguments that the condemned killer should be spared because of his heroism during a 1984 death-row breakout.

The three-judge panel of the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, vacating the stay issued by a U.S. District Court judge, agreed with the state that the courts could not intervene in the case simply because of Evans' exemplary life behind bars.

Evans' lawyers argued that his death sentence should be commuted to life in prison because he intervened to save guards and nurses from harm when six other condemned killers escaped from Mecklenburg Correctional Center in the largest death-row breakout in U.S. history.

His lawyers are expected to appeal the 4th Circuit's decision to the Supreme Court in Washington.

Evans is scheduled to die at 11 p.m. EDT Wednesday for the 1981 slaying of Alexandria Deputy Sheriff William Truesdale. Truesdale was bringing Evans back to the Alexandria jail after an extradition hearing when Evans grabbed for

Truesdale's gun and fatally wounded the deputy.

In arguing before the federal appeals panel that the stay of execution should be vacated, Assistant Virginia Attorney General Donald Curry said commuting Evans' death sentence would be ''a back-door attack'' on the constitutionality of the state death penalty law that focuses on a convicted killer's ''future dangerousness.''

There is no alleged constitutional error for the appeals court to consider, he said, making Evans's case ''a clemency matter, pure and simple.'' Clemency, he said, is under the jurisdiction of Gov. L. Douglas Wilder, not the courts.

''You can't reweigh the evidence the jury heard after the fact,'' Curry said in a hearing conducted by telephone conference call.

''This is absolutely unique in the law of capital punishment,'' Judge J. Harvie Wilkinson, a member of the three-judge panel that heard the case.

No Virginia governor has intervened in a capital case since the Supreme Court allowed reinstatement of the death penalty in 1976. If executed, Evans, 44, would be the 10th person to die in Virginia's electric chair since that decision.

Wilder, a Democrat, once opposed the death penalty because he thought it unfairly discriminated against blacks. But the governor, who has expressed interest in running for national office, now favors capital punishment.

Virginia is among the toughest states in which to win appeals because of the legal concept of procedural default, which, simply stated, means that claims not asserted in original appeals cannot be brought up later.

Evans's lawyer, Mark Cahn, argued that, because the circumstances of this case are so unique, it qualifies for one of the exceptions to procedural default: the need to prevent a miscarriage of justice.

Wilkinson countered that Cahn was asking the court to invent a new rule, something he said it legally cannot do at this stage of appeals.

''There have been so many proceedings since 1984,'' Wilkinson said. ''Why is this claim ... coming in at the last minute? Did you raise the claim in state appeals? ... Why is it not defaulted because it was not raised earlier?''

Curry, the assistant attorney general, argued that if Evans's arguements are accepted, 40 Virginia prisoners sentenced to die because of their potential future dangerousness will be free to appeal if they have maintained good behavior on death row.

Cahn countered that it still would be up to a judge to decide if the condemned

prisoner had made a strong enough case to warrant overturning the death sentence.

Curry said the differences ''would be only a matter of degree. ... Our point is it's a matter of executive clemency. Federal courts can't intervene ... without a constitutional error.''

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GRAND RAPIDS, MI. (OCT. 16) UPI - First came the capitulation on taxes, then the concession on capital gains. Tuesday night, President Bush again bowed to the politics of the budget mess by doing a flip-flop on baseball.

After White House aides had struggled for almost 24 hours with the logistical details, Bush abruptly dropped plans to attend Wednesday night's second game of the World Series in deference to the deficit deliberations back in Washington. First lady Barbara Bush will pinch hit for the president in Cincinnati and throw out the first pitch, her aides said.

''It looked like the timing would be such that he thought it'd be good to be in Washington to be available to work the (budget) conference, if that's necessary, or do whatever lobbying we need to do,'' White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater explained to reporters.

In fact, however, he later said Bush concluded his travel plans would be untimely only after being advised by Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas and House GOP leader Bob Michel of Illinois that ''everything could come to a head'' late Wednesday with passage of separate budget plans by the House and Senate.

In the background of the decision was the question of imagery. Over the last few weeks, Bush has made symbolic gestures to demonstrate sensitivity to the budget crisis: using a small plane rather than his Boeing 747 jumbo jet to commute between Washington and New York to seal an ill-fated budget deal with Congress late last month, and traveling by motorcade instead of helicopter to and from Camp David.

Fitzwater denied political appearances were behind the decision to scrub the baseball trip. However, Bush has taken no small amount of heat from Democrats over spending two the past days on the campaign trail, berating them for the problems back in Washington, while the budget debate moved once again to an uncertain climax.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Fedl Natl Mtge Assoc	Q	.22	11-25	10-31
Tambrands Inc	Q	.60	12-15	12-7
Reduced				
Hibernia Corp	Q	.15	11-16	11-2
Home Port Bancorp	..	.03	11-13	11-1
Tolland Bank	Q	.04	11-13	10-31
Distribution				
Santa Fe Pacific PPLP	..	.65	11-14	10-31
Valero Natural GPLP	Q	.62 1/2	11-29	11-8
Usual				
Amelco Corp	..	.25	11-15	10-26
Art's-Way Mfg Co	Q	.10	11-13	10-30
Citicorp	Q	.44 1/2	11-13	10-26
Coca-Cola Enterprises	Q	.01 1/4	1-2	12-19
Dominion Bankshares	Q	.22	12-10	11-9
Fulton Fincl Corp	Q	.20	1-15	12-21
Interpublic Grp Cos	Q	.19	12-17	11-2
K mart Corp	Q	.43	12-10	11-15
Loews Corp	Q	.25	12-1	11-9
Mellon Bank	Q	.35	11-15	10-29
Peoples Wchester SB	Q	.12	11-16	11-1
Reliance Group Hldgs	Q	.08	1-1	12-14
Scott Paper Co	Q	.20	12-10	11-23
Sundstrand Corp	Q	.27 1/2	12-12	11-28
Transamerica ISI	M	.18	11-15	10-31
VF Corp	Q	.25	12-20	12-10
Whirlpool Corp	Q	.27 1/2	12-31	12-4

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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BELFAST, Northern Ireland (OCT. 16) UPI - Two men were shot dead and three others injured in a spate of gun attacks Tuesday night, the Royal Ulster Constabulary said.

The killings happened in the north of the city as gunmen cruised the darkened streets hunting for victims in a spiraling tit-for-tat war between Protestant paramilitary groups and the Irish Republican Army.

Already this year, 51 people have been killed in Northern Ireland. Since the

IRA campaign started in 1969, 2,824 people have been killed.

A police spokesman said a 32-year-old Catholic man died in a hail of gunfire in the Oldpark district while walking to his home from a liquor store. He was shot at point-blank range when a man jumped from a stolen Ford Sierra car.

Minutes later, a 24-year-old man from Bangor, 12 miles east of Belfast, was shot in a similar attack as he waited for a taxi outside the Clifton Park Hotel, less than a half-mile from the scene of the first shooting.

Police said they believe the killings were carried out by a Protestant group in retaliation for an IRA gun attack on two police officers four days earlier.

One of the officers later died of his injuries, and the other officer was fighting for his life Tuesday.

Three men were shot in the legs in east Belfast Tuesday night. They were found lying in an alley, and were believed to be the victims of a paramilitary punishment squad.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 16) UPI - A former news director at a pop music station filed a discrimination lawsuit Tuesday against the station and its popular disc jockey, alleging he made her the butt of sexist jokes on the air and on television.

In her lawsuit, filed in Superior Court, Liz Fulton, who worked as Rick Dees' sidekick in his nationally syndicated radio show from 1987 to March 1990, alleges she was wrongfully fired because ''Dees sought to replace her with a younger, more obviously sexual woman.''

The lawsuit asserts that Dees referred to Fulton on the air as ''Liz Rugburn Fulton'' and, on several occasions, ''represented ... that Fulton was the blond, buxom, younger woman who appeared with him (publicly),'' and even appeared on the Wally George Show with the woman in March 1988.

The imposter, dressed in a scant bikini, threw whipped cream at George and jumped on top of the talk show host's desk before being handcuffed and led off the set, Fulton's attorney, Gloria Allred, said.

In the lawsuit, Fulton claims she heard about the incident at the Wally George show from a listener who called her station, KISS-FM, after it aired again in 1989.

In addition to sex discrimination, the suit alleges defamation, breach of contract, unauthorized use of name and invasion of privacy.

Gannett Radio, the key defendant in the case, said the station had no immediate comment on the suit.

In the lawsuit, Fulton said she was terminated in March by a program director who said he needed ''to plan ahead for the next five years and (that (Fulton) didn't fit into that five-year plan.''

Dees explained Fulton's departure on the radio by saying she wanted to spend more time with her children, but Fulton claims she never requested more time with her family.

Fulton, 37, said Tuesday that she took 1 1/2-year sabbatical from the station in 1984 to have a child and that Dees and the station's operators treated her differently when she returned.

''There definitely was a noticeable change in attitude,'' Fulton said. ''There were functions I was not allowed to go to (and) I could not attend a lot of promotional things, like parties.''

Fulton said she never complained to the station about Dees' jokes about her ''because I really didn't want to lose my job.''

She said she continued to be the ''straight man'' to Dees because ''I was convinced that if I didn't act the way I was (acting), I would be fired.''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - Congress is on the verge of writing new safeguards for wetlands and prevention of water contamination into the farm program but environmentalists are steaming over the loss of a key pesticide proposal.

Farm policy negotiators killed the ''circle of poison'' language after both the House and Senate refused to yield on the issue. It would have barred export of pesticides not allowed on U.S. crops, as well as importation of food treated with them.

''The lesson learned from this fiasco is that the Agriculture Committees cannot be trusted to address the health and safety risks posed by pesticides '' said Rick Hind of the U.S. Public Interest Research Group.

Other environmentalists blamed a lobbying campaign by chemical manufacturers for the loss of the proposal, as well as opposition by the Bush administration.

Breaking the ''circle of poison,'' shorthand by proponents to describe how U.S. pesticide exports could return in the form of residues on food, was a top environmental objective for the new farm bill.

The Bush administration and chemical manufacturers called the proposal misguided and unlikely to improve food safety since imports already are subject to inspection for chemical residues.

Critics also charged the legislation could be circumvented by moving production of pesticides to other nations at a cost to U.S. jobs and the econmy. Proponents said those risks were exaggerated.

Both the House and Senate approved versions of the language last summer. The Senate plan was broader, barring export of banned pesticides, those with no U.S. food tolerance level, and those not approved for use on U.S. crops. The House would have allowed export of unregistered pesticides if they passed health reviews or were approved for use by any of two dozen industrialized nations.

The differences proved irreconciliable. House negotiators refused to accept the Senate approach. Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., who defeated an attempt to weaken the Senate plan, was unwilling to accept a weaker package. Negotiators finally dropped provision. The bill is likely to face a final vote for congressional approval next week.

Environmentalists said they preferred to see the idea die for the year rather than be watered down to ''an empty gesture,'' as a Sierra Club lobbyist put it.

The environmental cause may have been damaged by a House vote last week in which Rep. Mike Synar, D-Okla., was soundly defeated in an attempt to require strong ''circle'' language.

Some of the House negotiators called the ''circle'' proposal a shotgun blast that would unwisely interfere with exports of chemicals that were safe but not designed for U.S. crops and hence not registered.

Although the ''circle'' language was deleted, negotiators agreed to require farmers to keep records on their use of restricted-use pesticides. The information would be available to health and environmental workers from the government but only limited access would be given to the public.

Also in the farm bill are proposals to create a wetland reserve that would buy up to 1 million acres in easements to protect wetlands and a water quality initiative that would defray the costs to farmers of altering their practices to reduce the chance of farm chemicals contaminating environmentally sensitive land.

The water quality program would have a goal of 10 million acres. Payments of up to $3,500 a year would be available for five years, plus cost-share payments of up to $1,500 a year.

The bill also would tighten the rules on the ''swampbuster'' program to make it easier to catch producers who convert wetlands to crop use. It would extend the so-called conservation compliance rule, which requires farmers to practice conservation in order to qualify for farm program benefits.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - Charges and countercharges flew across the House chamber today prior to a showdown vote on a budget plan. The eruption came after Democrats barred Republicans from offering a plan that contained virtually NO new taxes and got its savings from spending cuts and freezes. The G-O-P plan also falls well short of cutting the deficit by the required 500-BILLION-dollars over five years. The Democratic-sponsored measure is expected to pass the House today, despite threats of a presidential veto.

Soviet President Gorbachev's compromise economic reform plan submitted to Parliament committees is drawing criticism. Russian leader Boris Yeltsin charges Gorbachev broke his promise to support a more radical program for a quick move to a market system. Yeltsin warns if the compromise plan with its slower move away from central control of the economy is adopted, the huge Russian republic may be forced to ignore the Kremlin plan. He says the republic may implement its own ''500-day'' program- essentially splitting its economy from the Soviet Union.

Pro-Syrian troops surrounded the French Embassy in Lebanon today. Soldiers converged on the embassy as the French and Lebanese governments disputed the fate of deposed Christian General Michel Aoun, who remains holed up at the mission. Lebanese President Elias Hrawi's government wants to try the renegade general for ''crimes'' against the nation and the alleged embezzlement of 70-Million dollars in funds. But France has vowed NOT to surrender Aoun for trial.

In South Africa, right-wing towns reportedly are finding ways to get around a new law against racial segregation in public places. A newspaper sent a black reporter to visit the eastern Transvaal province town of Bethal to test its compliance and found subtler forms of racism. The town has levied high fees on ''non- residents''... including a 195-dollar membership fee to use the library.

Yugoslavia's eight-man presidency today met with national leaders to break a deadlock over the country's political future. The presidency resumed deliberations on selecting between two competing plans. One calls for maintaining Yugoslavia as a federation of 23-Million people in six republics. The second plan envisions a confederation of independent states with separate militaries, currencies and foreign policies, but linked through common economic interests.

The Alaska Coast Guard says night flights are under way over the polar ice cap

in hopes that a missing wildlife research team tries to use signal flares or sets a fire to alert rescuers. The search is in its fifth day for the missing plane and NO clues have turned up in the three-man team's disappearance. Officials also report NO flares or other light was spotted in the first after-dark search last night.

The bodies of six people were discovered today in the burned-out remains of their home in Jacksonville, Florida. Authorities say the fire was set last night by the husband of one of the victims. 35-year-old Gerald Wayne Lewis was arrested twice previously for abusing his wife and is in jail, charged with six counts of murder. The dead include four children... ranging in age from two to 12 years.

Two experts are saying there's a growing trend toward the banning of Halloween symbols. Jeffrey Hadden, a sociology professor at the University of Virginia, and Los Angeles clinical psychologist Robert Butterworth say attacks on government-sponsored Halloween events are becoming more common. They say fundamentalists frustrated with the banning of Christian symbols are proposing banning goblins and witches as symbols of paganism or Satanism.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 16) UPI - A divided City Council stopped short of banning smoking in the city's restaurants Tuesday, agreeing instead to a tentative compromise that would strengthen existing laws that govern smoking in eateries.

The council rejected the all-out smoking ban by a vote of 6-6, scuttling what would have been the toughest anti-smoking measure ever implemented by a major U.S. city.

Nevertheless, Councilman Marvin Braude, who proposed the ban, said he would continue to push for the proposal, vowing that eventually the city would adopt his legislation prohibiting smoking in all of the city's 8, 000 restaurants.

''I predict that within two years we will have no smoking in any restaurant in Los Angeles,'' Braude said afterward. ''Hopefully, a lot sooner.''

Much of the opposition to the ban stemmed from fears voiced by restaurant owners and their employees who said that the already slumping restaurant economy would be hurt even more as smoking patrons took their business to neighboring cities where no bans exist.

While the ban was being debated, it was variously labeled by supporters and opponents as a public health issue, an economic issue and a civil rights issue.

Armed with medical reports and letters from physicians and other supporters, including Secretary of Health and Human Services Dr. Louis Sullivan, Braude

actively lobbied his colleagues before the council meeting, but was unsuccessful in garnering the required votes.

He suggested that anti-ban forces, including members of the tobacco industry, lobbied more persuasively.

''I thought they (his council colleagues) would have looked at the medical evidence and be persuaded,'' Braude said. ''(But) they listened more to the lobbyists than the public health professionals.''

He cited statistics from the U.S. Surgeon General's Office that estimate about 3,800 non-smokers die each year from lung cancer caused by passive, or second-hand, smoke from cigarettes.

Current city laws ban smoking in city-owned buildings and supermarkets.

Councilman John Ferraro said that, although national awareness about the hazards of smoking appear to headed toward more restrictions in public places, the time to implement such a sweeping policy has yet to arrive.

''To be a leader is fine and dandy, but we're jeopardizing the businesses in Los Angeles,'' Ferraro said. ''We're getting closer to a national ban on smoking, but let's not sacrifice the people who pay taxes.''

Several members of a local restaurant coalition, known as Restaurants for a Sensible Voluntary Policy on Smoking, reminded council members that the city of Beverly Hills passed a smoking ban in 1987 that was quickly rescinded after restaurants experienced an 11 percent drop in revenues.

Councilman Joel Wachs said there was not enough compelling medical evidence to convince him to vote for a law that he said amounted to yet another infringement on freedom.

''I'm concerned that in this country there is a growing wave of repression,'' Wachs said. ''I have trouble with that approach that constantly is telling people what to do.''

After more than 90 minutes hours of debate, the council voted to tentatively adopt a compromise measure offered by Councilman Hal Bernson, amending the city's existing law that requires restaurants with accommodations for 50 patrons or more to have separate smoking and non- smoking areas.

The compromise would require restaurants with seating for 50 or fewer patrons to post their smoking policy while larger restaurants would have to partition the two areas with a ventilation system.

Braude said the compromise ''doesn't do enough at all.''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - Herds in the 21 major dairy states produced just over 10 billion pounds of milk in September - the eighth month in a row to top 1989's pace, the Agriculture Department said Tuesday.

The September figure was 4 percent larger than the 9.7 billion pounds recorded one year earlier.

The government has projected dairy production this year will be 2 percent larger than last year's 144.25 billion pounds, aided by market prices 3 percent to 5 percent higher than 1989. Supermarket prices for milk were projected to be up 8 percent to 10 percent for the year.

If the rest of the nation followed the same trend as the major states, U.S. milk production last month totaled 11.8 billion pounds.

Output per cow in the 21 major dairy states averaged 1,173 pounds for the month, up 36 pounds from September 1989. There were 8.54 million head in dairy herds in the major states, up 37,000 from one year earlier.

Wisconsin, the No. 1 dairy state, produced 1.95 billion pounds of milk during September, up 4 percent. California, the No. 2 state, had a 6 percent gain for a total of 1.74 billion pounds.

Maryland showed the largest increase among the major states, up 14 percent to 121 million pounds. Iowa and Minnesota were the only states to show declines - both down 3 percent. Iowa produced 325 million pounds of milk and Minnesota 737 million pounds.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 16) UPI - A narcotics ring that shipped cocaine to points across the nation has been dismantled, with authorities Tuesday announcing the seizure of a nearly $80-million cache of the drug and the arrests of seven Cuban nationals.

The ring, in what has become a commonplace practice, was believed to have smuggled its cocaine across the Mexican border by trucks that dropped their cargo in Los Angeles where the drugs were subsequently shipped across the nation.

In all, about 1,400 pounds of cocaine with a street value of about $79.5 million were seized by authorities.

Authorities said they believe the ring had been smuggling cocaine ''for some

time'' but there were no precise estimates on when it began operations and no indication of how much of the drug it was responsible for bringing into the United States.

The seizure was made following a joint investigation involving the Los Angeles Police Department, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and the California Highway Patrol.

The investigation of the ring began in the summer after a CHP officer trained to detect drug-carrying commercial vehicles became suspicious of a tractor-trailor rig owned by Moonlight Trucking Co. of Alma, Ark., Police Chief Daryl Gates said.

On Oct. 8, the same officer made a traffic stop of a Moonlight rig in Burbank and discovered nearly 700 pounds of cocaine stuffed into a hidden compartment within the sleeper birth of the tractor. Two men were arrested.

Gates said those men, identified as Olvido Linares Jr., 22, of Miami, and Silvano Acosta, 23, of Hialeah, Fla., served primarily as drivers in the operation and were allegedly paid $200 for every kilogram they transported.

Within five days, the CHP, together with the DEA and the Los Angeles Police Department, stopped a second Moonlight rig near Desert Center, a Riverside County community 175 miles from Los Angeles.

Another roughly 630 pounds of the drug was seized. Two other men, Joseph Alvarez, 45, and Rene Reyes Montenegro, 44, both of Miami, were taken into custody.

The investigation then moved to Newark, N.J., where on Saturday authorities arrested Jacinto Diaz, 25, and Ricardo Alvarez-Perez, 43, both of Miami, and Pedro Pedrianes-Valinda, 20, of Hialeah, Fla.

Diaz was identified as the owner of the trucking company and a ''key player'' in the ring but authorities declined to say who masterminded the operation.

The trucking company, authorities said, was apparently established as a front for the ring.

Gates noted only two of the suspects were American citizens and that all were born in Cuba. All of the men were being held on $5 million bail each.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - Here are highlights of the Democratic-sponsored amendment to a $500 billion, five-year deficit reduction plan. Crafted by Democrats on the tax-writing Ways and Means Committee and supported by party

leaders, the amendment passed the House Tuesday.

The Democratic amendment would cut the deficit by $26.2 billion in fiscal 1991 and $195 billion over five years. The larger package to which it was attached would slash the deficit by $40 billion in fiscal 1991 and by $500 billion through 1995.

The Democratic plan would raise revenue totaling $22.4 billion in 1991 and $148.6 billion over five years.

Key provisions, and the amount they would either raise in revenues or save in spending this fiscal year and over five years, include:

-Raising the top income tax rate for the richest Americans from 28 percent to 33 percent, eliminating the so-called bubble that now has rates dropping back from 33 percent to 28 percent for the very wealthy. Also, increasing, from 21 percent to 25 percent, the alternative minimum tax to make sure those who use exemptions and deductions pay a minimum tax. $4.5 bilion; $50 billion.

-Setting a 10 percent surtax on those with taxable incomes over $1 million. $0.6 billion; $7.6 billion.

-Imposing a new 10 percent luxury tax on cars costing more than $30, 000, private boats, yachts and planes costing more than $100,000 and on furs and jewelry costing more than $5,000. The tax on a $40,000 car would be $1,000 - 10 percent of the $10,000 cost that excedes the $30, 000 threshold. $0.3 billion; $2.8 billion.

-Delaying for a year the indexing for inflation of tax brackets and personal exemptions, which would cost most middle income taxpayers several hundred dollars in higher taxes. $4.1 billion; $36 billion.

-Raising to $100,000, from the current $51,300, the annual wage cap on which payroll taxes are deducted to fund Medicare. $1.5 billion; $22 billion.

-Raising tobacco taxes, increasing cigarette taxes four cents a pack in 1991 and four more cents a pack in 1993. $0.5 billion; $5.8 billion.

-Raising alcoholic beverage taxes, doubling the tax on beer from 16 cents to 32 cents a six-pack, raising table wine taxes by 25 cents a bottle and hiking by $1 per 100-proof gallon the tax on distilled spirits, raising the price of an 80-proof bottle of whiskey from $2 to $2.16. $1.4 billion; $9.3 billion.

-Increasing aviation excise taxes, $1,4 billion; $11.9 billion.

-Doubling the gas guzzler tax, which is now $500 on cars getting less than 22.5 miles per gallon, rising to $3,850 on cars getting less than 12.5 miles a gallon. $0.1 billion; $0.5 billion.

-Extending Social Security payroll taxes to state and local workers not currently covered. $1.3 billion; $10 billion.

-Allowing taxpayers to exclude from their income 50 percent of long- term capital gains, with a lifetime $200,000 cap. Also, excluding from taxation the first $1,000 in capital gains realized each year. $2.2 billion; would raise the deficit by $15.8 billion over five years.

-Cutting Medicare by $43 billion over five years, with $33 billion from health care providers and $10 billion from beneficiaries. Beneficiaries would see their Part B premiums raised to $29.90 in 1991, $31.70 in 1992, $36.50 in 1993 $41.20 in 1994 and $46.20 in 1995. The Part B annual deductible would rise from the current $75 to $100. The budget summit would have cut Medicare by $60 billion and raised the deductible to $150. $0.3 billion; $10 billion.

-Eliminates doubling to two weeks the waiting period for unemployment benefits.

-Exempts home heating oil from a new petroleum tax.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - The House, after a day of partisan warfare over how to cut the deficit, passed a Democratic amendment Tuesday that raises income taxes on the rich, hikes beer, wine and cigarette taxes and softens Medicare cuts.

The vote on the plan sponsored by Democratic members of the tax- writing House Ways and Means Committee was mostly along party lines.

It was attached to a larger bill that would cut the deficit by $40 billion in fiscal year 1991 and by $500 billion over five years. That larger bill was expected to be voted on by the House Tuesday night.

President Bush, campaigning for GOP candidates in the Midwest Tuesday, threatened to veto the bill if the Democratic amendment passed and the measure reached his desk.

''I will veto it because it raises the taxes of the working men and women of this country,'' Bush said in Illinois.

The Senate was expected to begin up to 20 hours of debate either late Tuesday or Wednesday on its own bipartisan deficit reduction package - one Bush indicated he could support.

After the Senate acts, negotiators from each chamber will try to settle differences in what is expected to be the largest deficit reduction package

ever considered by Congress. The final plan must pass each house before going to Bush.

A temporary spending bill to keep the government running expires at midnight Friday. Bush has vowed to veto any new stop-gap spending measure unless Congress passes a budget plan he can accept before Friday's deadline.

Democrats hailed their plan as fairer to the middle class than the summit proposal.

''Approval of our alternative will be a proud moment for this House,'' said Ways and Means Chairman Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill. ''Our alternative is bold, but it is fair enough to win broad public acceptance.''

But House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois said the Democratic plan sounds ''the savage cry of class warfare'' with increased taxes on the rich.

''It is to budget deficit plans what Bart Simpson is to scholarship,'' Michel said, refering to the notorious cartoon underachiever of television fame.

The Democratic plan raises income tax rates on the rich from 28 percent to 33 percent, imposes a 10 percent luxury tax on expensive cars, jewlery, yachts and furs and adds a 10 percent surtax on those with annual taxable incomes above $1 million.

It would reduce Medicare cuts by $17 billion, from the $60 billion proposed by the bipartisan budget summit but rejected by the House, to $43 billion over five years. It also eliminates doubling to two weeks the waiting period for unemployment benefits and exempts home heating oil from a new petroleum tax.

And it would raise taxes on cigarettes by 4 cents a pack in 1991 and by 4 more cents in 1993. It would double, to 32 cents a six-pack, the tax on beer and increase taxes on wine and distilled spirits.

The Democrats' plan would also freeze for one year the annual inflation adjustment of income tax rates and personal exemptions. That would raise taxes by about $313 on a family of four with a taxable income of $34,000 next year, according to Treasury Department figures.

''This is a major tax increase that's going to put this country into a deep, bottomless recession,'' Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., said of the one-year freeze. ''They (Democrats) are going to tax and tax and tax us all to death.''

The proposal eliminates gasoline tax increases and revenue losing proposals, such as tax breaks for small business investments, in the rejected budget summit proposal.

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MANAGUA, NICARAGUA (OCT. 16) UPI - Former Contra rebels are continuing to invade Sandinista farm cooperatives and private property because the government has failed to deliver the land it promised them, a rebel leader said Tuesday.

When an estimated 20,000 rebels handed in their weapons in May and June, the government agreed to provide land, housing, tools and agricultural credits in resettlement areas called development poles.

''Little of that has been carried out,'' former Contra Commander in Chief Israel Galeano said. ''We are in the development poles, but we haven't got enough land to work, or housing or bank facilities.

''That is why cooperative farmlands are being occupied,'' Galeano said.

The land invasions have touched off confrontations between the former rebels and the Sandinista police. In one such showdown, 10 Contras were killed and a policeman wounded.

The government set up an agricultural commission headed by Galeano and Humberto Ortega, the Sandinista army chief of staff, after former Contras took over a number of farms and attacked the Town Hall in Quilai, 130 miles north of Managua.

The government said the commission was formed to halt the assaults and called on former rebels to wait until the commission finds work for them.

Of the $300 million in U.S. aid allotted following President Violeta Chamorro's election victory last February, $45 million was earmarked for resettlement of the Contras and their dependents.

Since April, when Chamorro took office, the government has been trying unsuccessfully to curb runaway inflation, with constant devaluations of the cordoba and public spending cuts causing increased unemployment and social discontent.

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#90289u2446 10/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 16) UPI - Farmers will be stuck with an unfairly large portion of federal spending cuts under the farm bill awaiting final congressional approval, two major farm organizations said Tuesday.

The final version of the bill was approved by House and Senate negotiators early Tuesday after a 13-hour conference committee meeting. It would cut farm program spending by 25 percent but try to make up for it by giving farmers

more freedom to seek money-making crops.

''Farm bill negotiators were faced with a set of bad choices from the beginning and their end product only rearranges a mandated decline in farm income,'' said Del Weideman, president of the National Association of Wheat Growers.

The American Farm Bureau Federation, the nation's largest farm organization, said the bill would complicate the farm program at the same time it provided less of a safety net for farmers. The Farm Bureau objected to the $13.6 billion in cuts assigned to agriculture for the next five years. That means farm spending of about $41 billion through 1995.

Negotiators tried to balance the budget cuts and farm program goals by freezing crop target prices but adopting the so-called triple base program. It would declare 15 percent of a farmer's wheat, feed grains, cotton and rice land ineligible for subsidies. Farmers would be allowed to grow crops on the land, however.

The triple base would be coupled with a voluntary 10 percent ''planting flexibility'' program. Land enrolled in it also would be ineligible for subsidies but farmers would have freedom to experiment with new crops.

Analysts say triple base could result in lower farm income because of smaller government payments. Critics say the freedom to switch acreage among crops may be of little value to farmers in areas where climate dictates the choice of crops, such as wheat in the Great Plains, or there is little chance to market a different crop.

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In addition, it creates the first-ever marketing loan for oilseeds such as soybeans and the first uniform national standards for what can be called organic food.

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The Farm Bureau also was critical of a decision to alter the sugar program to guarantee foreign producers the chance to sell 1.25 million tons of sugar annually in the United States. A system of marketing quotas would be imposed if U.S. production impinges on the guaranteed foreign sales.

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ANAHEIM, Calif. (OCT. 17) UPI - Carl's Jr., moving to expand its fast-food operations internationally, announced Tuesday it has signed a licensing agreement to open restaurants in Mexico.

The pact with Valores Metalicos of Monterrey, Mexico, calls for the development of at least 10 Carl's Jr. restaurants within five years, with the first restaurant scheduled to open in Monterrey, in northeast Mexico, by next April.

''We think that with the modernization of the Mexican economy, there is a lot of potential for us,'' said Steve Kishi, vice president of Carl's, which operates 557 restaurants, mostly in California.

Jesus Garcia, owner of Valores Metalicos, said that Carl's ''California'' image will set it apart from other fast-food chains in Mexico.

''I think it's a natural extension for Carl's,'' said Janet Lowder, a Los Angeles-based restaurant consultant. ''It's not uncommon for chains to go outside the United States anymore.''

Lowder said that the increasing amounts of travel by Mexicans to and from California will make the Carl's name highly recognizable in Mexico.

She also noted that Carl's Mexican operations can draw upon the company's already-existing Spanish-language marketing campaign, launched last June to attract bigger numbers of the Western region's fast-growing Hispanic population.

The agreement, which gives Valores Metalicos exclusive territorial rights in the northeast Mexican state of Nuevo Leon with options to expand into the adjacent states of Coahuila and Tamaulipas, was signed in ceremonies at the headquarters of Carl's parent company, Carl Karcher Enterprises.

''We are also planning to get into Mexico City eventually,'' Kishi said.

Carl's, which stresses its quality rather than prices in its marketing, will be following industry leader McDonald's into Mexico. The first Mexican McDonald's opened five years and the chain now operates eight restaurants there.

''We take a pretty cautious view of expansion and usually let someone else break the first ground,'' Kishi said. ''Then we try to go in and do it better.''

Carl's agreement to move into Mexico is similar to transactions it had previously announced to expand into Japan and Malaysia.

It has opened three Carl's in Japan and will debut two more by the end of the year and seven next year. The first Malaysian Carl's is due to open in March.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd was in Jerusalem today for talks with Israeli officials. They agreed on the need for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, but disagreed on the Palestinian question. Still, Hurd said... ''The final picture we want to see is very similar.'' .

Tehran radio reports that Iranian demonstrators protested last week's killings in Jerusalem's Old City by marching through the capital city. The demonstrators waved Palestinian flags and chanted ''Death to America'' and

''Death to Israel.''

The League of Conservation Voters has given Democrats a ringing endorsement for the fall campaign. The group says congressional Democrats compiled a better voting record on environmental issues than Republicans did.

The World Series is underway in Cincinnati, where the National League champion Reds are playing host to the A-L pennant winners, the Oakland Athletics. President Bush has nixed plans to attend Game Two of the series tomorrow night.

Chess champ Garry Kasparov and former champ Anatoly Karpov are back at the table tonight in New York to complete Game Three of their 24-game title match. Kasparov is going for a quick K-O, having won Game Two and holding what most experts feel is a superior position in the third game.

Jazz great Art Blakey died today in New York City at the age of 71. The drummer formed the Jazz Messengers in 1955. That group- and Blakey- remained leading voices in modern jazz right up to his death. Blakey suffered from lung cancer.

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska (OCT. 17) UPI - Production from America's biggest oil fields in Alaska has increased to the highest level in nearly two years and appears likely to remain at the boosted levels for the immediate future, oil officials said Tuesday.

Crude oil flow through the trans-Alaska pipeline rose this week to about 1.95 million barrels a day, below the 2 million barrel daily production peak achieved two years ago but reversing the gradual decline in production experienced since then.

The major oil producers attributed the increase to new oil enhancement facilities and projects, requests by the Bush administration for more oil and even the onset of winter on the North Slope, where cold weather actually improves oil pumping capability.

Oil production from Prudhoe Bay and other North Slope oil fields has not reached the current level since December 1988, when average daily production also was 1.95 million barrels, said Russ Douglas, senior reservoir engineer for the state oil and gas conservation commission.

''November and December projections are for throughput (oil flowing through the pipeline) to remain the same or a tad higher,'' said Marnie Isaacs, spokeswoman for Alyeska Pipeline Service Co., which operates the pipeline for seven oil company owners.

Last year, the average daily flow of oil through the pipeline was 1.88 million barrels, down from an average 2 million barrels per day in 1988. In 1987, pipeline flow averaged 1.96 million barrels per day.

North Slope production dipped to 1.6 million barrels per day during summer maintenance work that included a brief pipeline shutdown, but otherwise pipeline flow has been closer to 1.7 million barrels daily this year.

North Slope crude flows down the 800-mile oil artery to the southern Alaska port of Valdez, where tankers load oil for delivery to refineries around the country. Alaska oil represents one-fourth of domestic production, making Alaska the country's largest oil producing state.

The oil industry has taken a number of steps to boost production, some the culmination of long-term projects, others in response to currrent events.

Completion of a new natural gas handling facility at Prudhoe Bay lets the field operators handle more gas that comes up with the oil and reinject it into the ground to increase field pressure, producing an additional 75,000 barrels daily, said Paul Laird, spokesman for BP Exploration, which operates Prudhoe Bay with Arco Alaska. That amount is expected to increase to 90,000 barrels daily by year's end.

An accelerated well-stimulating program - begun after President Bush called for more production when the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait resulted in a drop in world oil supplies - was in its early stages but already was yielding increases expected to reach 50,000 barrels daily by the end of the year.

Many months of construction, maintenance, repair and new facility work - costing 100,000 to 150,000 barrels per day in reduced production - has ended, Laird said, thus allowing production to increase.

Production from BP's 100,000-barrel-per-day Endicott field, operating at below capacity, has been increased 10 percent, Laird said.

Also, ''production generally goes up as it gets colder,'' Laird said.

Compressors that drive the gas handling equipment function better in cold weather because cold air is denser and when they suck in more air, their horsepower increases, explained Ronnie Chappell, an Arco spokesman.

Increased daily production attributed to cold weather is difficult to quantify but Chappell said, ''It could easily be in the thousands of barrels.''

Last week the oil industry announced plans for a second gas handling complex that should add another 100,000 barrels per day to Prudhoe output by 1995.

Alyeska and North Slope oil producers are eyeing the 2 million barrel per day

mark, Isaacs said, though there were no immediate plans to achieve that level of production from the North Slope fields. (If the smaller Cook Inlet oil fields south of Anchorage are included, Alaska production is about 2 million barrels per day.)

Alaska North Slope Production increases come at a time when the Persian Gulf crisis has reduced world oil supplies but also at a time when oil is selling for double the price it fetched before Iraq invaded Kuwait.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASKETBALL

La Crosse (CBA) - Signed guard Vince Hamilton.

LA Lakers - Signed forward Irving Thomas.

COLLEGE

Juniata (Pa.) - Named Robyn Adams assistant women's basketball coach.

Louisiana Tech - Announced the appointment of Jerry Stovall as athletic director.

Pittsburgh - Named Willie Jett graduate assistant men's basketball coach.

FOOTBALL

Cleveland - Signed center Mike Morris; released linebacker Ken Rose.

Denver - Acquired defensive end David Galloway from Phoenix for a future draft choice.

Houston - Waived linebacker Robert Lyles and cornerback Vince Courville.

LA Raiders - Traded safety Vann McElroy to Seattle for a future draft choice.

Phoenix - Traded defensive end David Galloway to Denver for a future draft choice; released linebacker Reggie McKenzie from injured reserve; re-signed wide receiver Amod Field to practice roster.

HOCKEY

Capital District Islanders (AHL) - Sent center Mike Kelfer to Kansas City of the International Hockey League.

Roanoke Valley (ECHL) - Named defenseman Billy Whitfield player/assistant coach; traded rights to forward Mike Chighisola to Cincinnati; suspended forwards Bob Dorsey, Kevin Harvey and Carey Durant for failing to report to training camp.

St. Louis - Recalled defenseman Gordie Roberts from Peoria of the International League; assigned defenseman Robert Dirk to Peoria.

Winnipeg - Signed center Thomas Steen to a multi-year contract.

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(OCT. 16) UPI - After a day of partisan bickering, the House tonight passed a Democratic deficit-reduction package that's the largest of its kind in U-S history. The plan trims the deficit 40-BILLION dollars next year and 500-BILLION over the next five years. But it includes an amendment that hikes taxes on the rich, beer, wine and cigarette. It also softens Medicare cuts. President Bush has already threatened to veto the measure if it contains the amendment.

Sudan today intensified its bitter war of words with famine relief donors. The government warns it will shoot down unauthorized planes carrying food aid to southern Sudan. Officials have complained in recent weeks that U-N agencies and other relief groups have sent relief supplies only to areas held by southern rebels fighting a seven-year war against domination by the Islamic north.

Delegates to a 42-nation conference on the environment in Asia wrapped up their meeting in Bangkok today with a call for industrial countries to pay most of the costs of cleaning up the environment. The conference unanimously approved a declaration, saying the major cause of the continuing deterioration of the global environment is- quote- ''the unsustainable pattern of production and consumption, particularly in industrialized countries.''

A Chicago federal judge has acquitted three officials of defense contractor Sundstrand Corporation on charges they conspired to defraud the government. Sundstrand pleaded guilty in October 1988 to five counts of a federal indictment and agreed to pay 115-Million dollars in penalties and reparations. It also agreed to pay the Defense Department another 62-Million related to its past contracting practices.

Conductor Leonard Bernstein was buried today alongside his wife at the family plot in Brooklyn following a private service. Bernstein died Sunday at the age of 72 of cardiac arrest caused by emphysema. Violinist Isaac Stern dedicated his 70th-anniversary concert at New York's Carnegie Hall tonight to the memory of his friend and musical associate.

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BELLEVUE, WASH. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - First Mutual Savings Bank (NASDAQ:FMSB) today reported strong net interest income for the third quarter, but reported a $522,000 loss, as anticipated, after taking a $1.2 million (after tax) write down resulting from a change in accounting method.

First Mutual's net worth ratio at September 30, 1990 is 7.1%, whereas the current FDIC regulatory minimum is 6%.

For the quarter ended September 30, First Mutual lost $522,000 or $.37 per share compared to a profit of $376,000 or $.26 per share in the third quarter of 1989. The Bank announced last month that it would take a $1.2 million after-tax write down in the third quarter resulting from a change in the method of estimating cash flows relating to its deferred servicing rights.

''The whole industry has moved in the direction of these accounting changes and we are moving with it,'' said Bruce Baker, president. ''These are accounting changes only and do not in any way represent any change in the bank's operations or any reassesment of the bank's condition based upon any operating experience. First Mutual continues to enjoy one of the best-performing loan portfolios in its industry. The accounting reporting rules have merely changed and we are adopting these changes. Nothing more.''

For the first nine months of 1990, First Mutual's net income totaled $317,000 or $.22 per share compared to $1,059,000 or $.76 per share in the like period a year ago.

''First Mutual had a strong quarter from operations, excluding the change in method of estimating excess servicing cash flows. Loan originations increased 87% and net interest income, the basic measure of bank profitability, increased 32% compared to the third quarter a year ago,'' Baker added.

''The Bank closed $27.9 million in new loans compared to $14.9 million in the third quarter last year. And, net interest income after provision for possible loan losses was $1,200,000 compared to $908,000 in the like quarter a year ago,'' Baker noted. First Mutual's net interest margin increased to 2.58% this quarter compared to 2.00% last year.

Non-interest expense was $912,000 compared to $1,286,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Non-interest income, which includes the $1.7 million pre-tax ($1.2 million after-tax) writedown of deferred servicing rights, was a negative $1,040,000 compared to $973,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

Also impacting non-interest income was a $189,000 decrease in gain on the sale of loans and a $70,000 decrease on the sale of securities compared to the

third quarter a year ago.

First Mutual's deposits totaled $145.5 million at the end of September, up 24% from the $117.1 million a year ago. The Bank's portfolio of loans totaled $122.8 million at September 30, 1990 compared to $111.9 million one year earlier. In addition, its portfolio of loans serviced for others now stands at $353.3 million compared to $310.1 million at September 30, 1989.

On July 25, First Mutual announced it would change the method of applying an accounting principle for valuing the Bank's deferred servicing rights for loans the Bank services for others. The method First Mutual had been using in applying this accounting principle is one that has been used for many years by the thrift industry.

''We changed the estimating method to model cash flows while developing our estimate of the present value of the Bank's deferred servicing rights. This has the effect of stating our deferred servicing rights more conservatively and will actually increase earnings in future years,'' Baker said.

As previously announced, recent purchases by First Mutual's Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) of 10.1% of First Mutual's outstanding common stock reduced the Bank's capital again in the third quarter. First Mutual loaned its ESOP $1.5 million and the ESOP purchased 139,600 shares of First Mutual's outstanding common stock this year.

For reporting purposes, the ESOP purchases do not impact First Mutual's earnings; however, the Bank's balance sheet does reflect the dollar amount advanced to the ESOP's trustees for the purchase of shares. The amount advanced is charged directly against shareholder's equity in the quarter the advances are made. The ESOP's trustee was advanced $681,000 in the second quarter of 1990 and $814,000 in the third quarter of 1990 to facilitate the purchase of First Mutual stock.

First Mutual had total assets of $185.9 million and a loan servicing portfolio totaling $353.3 million at September 30, 1990. The Bank's book value at September 30, 1990 was $9.46 per share and its net worth was $13.1 million or 7.1% of assets.

Headquartered in Bellevue, First Mutual Savings Bank operates five full service branches in the Seattle metropolitan area known as the ''Greater Eastside.'' The FDIC-insured savings bank derives a significant portion of its income from mortgage banking operations and also originates small commercial property loans.

FIRST MUTUAL BANK
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(unaudited)

	Third Quarter Ended	Nine Months Ended

	September 30, 1990	September 30, 1989	September 30, 1990	September 30, 1989
Net income	($522,051)	$ 375,645	$ 317,106	$1,059,311
Net earnings per share	($ .37)	$ .26	$ .22	$ .76
Weighted average shares outstanding	1,415,099	1,421,263	1,418,315	1,400,901

	September 30, 1990	September 30, 1989
Total assets	$185,941,961	$181,443,417
Net loans receivable and loans held for sale	$130,452,101	$119,456,212
Shareholders' equity	$ 13,149,300	$ 14,146,063
Book value per share	$ 9.46	$ 10.19
One year asset/liability gap	(14.24%)	(9.21%)
Problem Assets: Delinquent loans excluding real estate owned and real estate in judgement	$ -0-	$ 92,715
Restructured loans	$ 640,785	$ 637,864
Real estate owned and real estate in judgement	$ 224,505	$ 1,267,359

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SEATTLE (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Metropolitan Federal Savings & Loan Association of Seattle (NASDAQ:MSEA) Wednesday reported net income for the second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $144,000, or $.08 per share, compared to a loss of $2.0 million for the like quarter a year ago.

As a result of first quarter balance sheet restructuring, year to date losses are $9.6 million, or $5.13 per share, compared to a loss of $3.1 million for the first 6 months of the previous fiscal year. Earnings per share figures for 1989 are not meaningful since the association did not convert to stock ownership until January 1990.

Metropolitan also completed the liquidation of the remaining $1.5 million of its portfolio of high yield corporate bonds in the second quarter.

''The second quarter profit was earned exclusively from continuing operations '' said Patrick F. Patrick, president and chief executive officer since May 22 1990. ''Metropolitan's primary business focus has returned to serving the savings and residential lending needs of our community. We no longer depend on securities activities and commercial loan origination fees for profitability, as we did during the 1980's.''

The most important indicator of the company's improvement to date is the growth in net interest margin to 1.92% for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to .92% for the comparable quarter a year ago. Metropolitan's management has further reduced the association's sensitivity to interest rate fluctuations by liquidating holdings of fixed rate mortgage-backed securities, prepaying high rate Federal Home Loan Bank advances, and allowing above market-rate deposits to reprice at more appropriate levels or flow out of the association.

In a further move to reduce operating expenses, Metropolitan will relocate its corporate headquarters to the building that it owns at Westlake Park in downtown Seattle. In addition, the association will consolidate its Metropolitan Park branch with the Westlake Park branch as part of the relocation of the corporate offices.

During the quarter, Metropolitan increased general loan loss reserves by $1.4 million to $5.4 million in a move to reduce its exposure in the event of an economic downturn. The association primarily offset this provision with recoveries totaling $1.3 million from the liquidation of several foreclosed properties and properties held for investment.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the association's non-performing loans increased to $18.4 million from $14.5 million at June 30, 1990. The increase was primarily due to the addition of a loan secured by an apartment complex, the owner of which has filed bankruptcy; however, an agreement has been reached with the borrower subject to court approval, to return the loan to a fully performing status. ''Our Special Credits Officers work with our borrowers to encourage and assist them in maintaining a current status on their loans. In addition, we will aggressively market a foreclosed asset and dispose of any troubled property,'' Patrick said.

Metropolitan's assets totaled $405.1 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $499.5 million at March 31, 1990. Metropolitan's book value per share was $9.43 at Sept. 30, 1990. Capital totaled $17.7 million, or 4.37% of assets, at the end of September.

Metropolitan is an FDIC-insured, federally chartered savings and loan association organized in 1935, with seven branches located in the greater Seattle area.

Metropolitan Federal Savings & Loan Association
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS:
(unaudited)

	Second Quarter Ended Sept. 30,		Six Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net interest income	$2,042,000	$1,382,000	$4,038,000	$2,240,000
Provision for loan				

losses	$1,379,000	$ 73,000	$3,537,000	$ 134,000
Net income (loss) before extraordinary item	$ 218,000	(1,978,000)	(8,986,000)	(3,142,000)
Extraordinary item, (FHLB prepayment penalty) net of tax	($ 74,000)	- 0 -	(641,000)	- 0 -
Net income (loss)	$ 144,000	(1,978,000)	(9,627,000)	(3,142,000)
Net income (loss) per share before extraordinary item	$ .12	$ N/A	($ 4.79)	$ N/A
Net income (loss) per share	$ .08	$ N/A	($ 5.13)	$ N/A

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1989
Total assets	$405,125,000	$499,457,000
Loans receivable, net	$327,973,000	$338,640,000
Mortgage-backed securities	$ - 0 -	$ 87,999,000
Deposits	$366,751,000	$407,219,000
Stockholders' equity	$ 17,690,000	$ 27,317,000
Shares outstanding	1,875,000	1,875,000
Book value per share	$ 9.43	$ 14.57
Capital/assets ratio	4.37%	5.47%
Regulatory capital/assets ratios:		
Tangible	4.37%	5.47%
Core	4.37%	5.47%
Risk-based	7.04%	8.57%

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Parker Hannifin Corp. (NYSE:PH) Wednesday reported increased sales, net income, earnings per share and backlog from continuing operations for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Sept. 30, compared to a year ago.

Parker's sales from continuing operations in the recent quarter rose 7.5 percent, to $615.6 million, up from $572.4 million in the corresponding quarter last year. The currency effect of the weakening dollar accounted for about 40 percent of the sales increase. Income from continuing operations increased 9.1 percent, to $23.9 million or 49 cents per share, compared to $21.9 million or 45 cents per share a year ago. Backlog on Sept. 30 was $1.28 billion, compared to $1.13 billion on that date last year.

Commenting on the company's first-quarter results, President and Chief Executive Officer Paul G. Schloemer said, ''In the face of mixed market conditions around the world, both our Aerospace and Industrial Segments performed in line with our expectations. Industrial Segment sales were up 8.9 percent and operating income was down 6.5 percent for the quarter, compared to

a year ago. International sales, included in the Industrial Segment, were up 20.8 percent, with the effect of the weakening dollar accounting for two-thirds of the increase. The decline in Segment operating income was primarily due to reduced sales in certain domestic markets.

''Aerospace Segment sales were up 4.0 percent and operating income was up 35.5 percent for the quarter, compared to year-earlier results. These results were aided by continuing strong commercial aviation sales and lower development expenditures for new aircraft and engine programs.

Parker is a leading producer of motion-control components and systems for a wide range of industrial and aerospace markets. Sales from continuing operations in fiscal 1990, ended June 30, were $2.45 billion, with net income of $111.5 million.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Foothill Group Inc. (NYSE:FGI) Wednesday announced that its Foothill Partners L.P. has successfully raised $100 million in commitments to invest in bank debt of distressed companies.

Merrill Lynch Capital Markets acted as exclusive financial advisor and placement agent in this private placement offering.

The new Foothill Fund will target investments in performing and nonperforming loans to distressed and bankrupt companies while avoiding subordinated debt or high-yield junk bonds.

Foothill is a recognized leader in the evaluation of distressed bank debt. It has been investing its own capital in distressed bank debt since 1984 and has realized returns on completed transactions in excess of 30 percent.

In some instances, Foothill will purchase a controlling position for the Fund in bank debt to influence reorganizational outcomes at the targeted companies. The Foothill Group will serve as the corporate general partner for the Fund.

Nickoll noted that in a recent study commissioned by Foothill, the estimated total book value of defaulted and distressed securities was approximately $300 billion, while the market value of these securities was substantially less.

Foothill has managed two other funds since 1988 representing commitments of more than $77 million.

The Foothill Group specializes in providing innovative financial services through its three highly specialized, yet complementary operating units. Foothill Capital offers asset-based financing tailored to businesses whose credit needs require more unique, sophisticated types of loan programs. Foothill Thrift and Loan specializes in secured commercial and industrial lending in California. Foothill's Capital Markets division focuses on asset management activities, arbitrage trading and investing in companies in reorganization.

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LYNNWOOD, WA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - ELDEC Corp. (NASDAQ:ELDC) reported second quarter earnings per share from continuing operations of 1 cent for the quarter ended Sept. 23, 1990.

For the same quarter last year, earnings per share from continuing operations were 26 cents. Sales for the quarter were $30 million compared to $28.1 million last year. Income from continuing operations was $36,000 vs. $1.4 million from continuing operations a year ago.

Earnings were lower than expected due to higher than projected research and development expenses associated with flat panel displays plus less than expected product shipments.

Shipments are expected to be made up in the third and fourth quarters. Research and development costs for flat panel displays will remain higher than planned for the year.

For the six months, sales were $60.7 million vs. $53.5 million for the same period last year. Income from continuing operations is $1.2 million in contrast to $2.3 million from continuing operations last year. Earnings per share from continuing operations for the six months were 22 cents; last year earnings per share from continuing operations were 42 cents for the same period.

Last year, ELDEC also reported a second quarter non-operating gain of $652,000 from the sale of land in Whittier, Calif., making net income $2.1 million for the quarter last year and $3.0 million for the six month period; net earnings per share last year were 38 cents for the quarter and 54 cents for the six months.

ELDEC custom designs and manufactures electronic and electromechanical

products for aerospace and defense applications. Founded in 1957, the company is a sub-contractor to a large number of major aerospace and defense electronics contractors.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - A landmark agreement between a task force of attorneys general from 10 states and American Enviro Inc., marketer of Bunnies Diapers, over its environmental claims has resulted in production of a new environmentally oriented product -- a disposable diaper made with a cotton core.

In explaining the environmental features of the new Bunnies, called Bunnies-Plus, American Enviro President Robert Chickering said the core is made primarily of cotton because it is an annually renewable resource, unlike wood pulp from trees. Wood pulp comprises the core of most popular disposable diapers.

In keeping with the EPA goal of source reduction, Bunnies-Plus are also 27 percent thinner than the earlier model and use a plastic on the bag that is 30 percent thinner than most conventional diapers, he said.

Bunnies-Plus, like the original Bunnies, also use cadmium-free, lead-free inks on its bags to prevent contamination of ground water.

Bunnies-Plus make use of the same special plastic back sheet that can compost into mulch. The plastic currently used in leading diaper brands lasts hundreds of years and cannot be composted but must be landfilled or incinerated.

Chickering said that compostability will be increasingly important as more cities in the vanguard of solid waste solutions turn to composting to dispose of municipal wastes.

The agreement with the attorneys general, the first amicable settlement by the task force, follows a nine-month probe into environmental advertising by California, Florida, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, New York, Texas, Utah Washington and Wisconsin.

It allows use of the word ''biodegradable'' in conjunction with composting, but without implications that a product will biodegrade in a landfill.

Bunnies have won considerable approval among consumers, who bought more than

1.5 million bags of the new diapers since they went on sale a year ago. Bunnies-Plus will be sold nationally through Toys 'R Us and Target Discount Stores and regionally through most major grocery stores.

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BOULDER, CO (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Sterling-Rice Group, a Boulder-based consulting firm, has been retained by three major consumer product companies for new product assignments.

Kraft General Foods, Curtice Burns Meat Snacks and Continental Baking Co. (subsidiary of Ralston Purina) have all recently hired SRG to assist them with the development and launch of new products under development.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Washington Federal Savings and Loan Association (OTC: WFSL) Wednesday announced record earnings for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Earnings were $62,852,000, or $2.87 per share, compared to $57,169,000, or $2.62 per share, for the prior year, a 10 percent increase. For its fourth quarter, the Association earned $16,130,000, or 74 cents per share, equalling the record high quarter one year ago.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the Association had a net worth of $320 million equalling 12.1 percent of total assets, up from $277 million at the end of the previous year. During the year, 5,201 loans were made totaling $635 million, compared to the prior year's 4,806 loans totaling $524 million.

Customers' funds during the year increased $182 million to $1.53 billion. Assets increased by $213 million to $2.65 billion.

The Association's earnings and capital ratios continue to be at the top in the United States for all types of financial institutions. On Oct. 19, the Association will pay 24 cents per share to common stockholders of record Oct. 9, its 31st consecutive quarterly dividend.

Washington Federal Savings and Loan Association, with headquarters in Seattle, has 64 branch offices in Washington, Idaho and Oregon. The Oregon branches

are doing business as Freedom Federal Savings.

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LAS VEGAS (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - American Bancorp of Nevada (NASDAQ:ABCN), parent company of American Bank of Commerce, has reported increased earnings for the third quarter of 1990, President James V. Bradham announced Wednesday.

Earnings for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, were $397,044, or 32 cents per share, compared to $243,822, or 20 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

''Essentially, our higher earnings for the quarter reflect a significant increase in loan demand during the last nine months,'' said Bradham.

Net income for the nine-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,104,584, or 86 cents per share, compared to $1,150,224, or 96 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Total assets for the nine-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, rose 18 percent to $118,199,019 from $100,028,048 at Sept. 30, 1989. Shareholder equity was $11,427,819 and $9,910,086 respectively.

American Bank of Commerce is an independent full-service bank serving the small to mid-size business community in southern Nevada since 1979. The bank, with four branches throughout Las Vegas, concentrates on construction and business lending.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - FMC Corporation Wednesday announced third quarter net income of $35 million, 98 cents per share.

This is a 2 percent improvement from 1989 third quarter earnings of $35 million, or 96 cents per share, before extraordinary items. Net income in the year-ago quarter after extraordinary items was $31 million or 86 cents per share. Sales rose 12 percent to $941 million for the quarter.

Strong performance by the Defense Systems segment offset weakness in industrial and performance chemicals. A favorable tax rate also improved the quarter's results.

Industrial Chemicals sales rose 6 percent in the quarter to $248 million, but earnings declined. The margin reduction resulted from manufacturing problems at the phosphorus chemicals and lithium businesses during the quarter. Domestic demand is weakening across most of our chemical product lines.

Performance Chemicals sales grew 5 percent in the quarter, but profits declined. Continuing difficulties in agricultural chemical markets, both domestic and international, hurt profitability for the segment.

Precious metals sales rose 5 percent in the quarter on higher gold and silver volumes. Volume increases were largely attributable to production from the relatively high-cost Royal Mountain King mine. Average realized prices for gold and silver in the quarter were comparable to the 1989 third quarter, including hedging gains. Higher-cost production offset the sales increase and resulted in lower profitability for this segment.

Machinery and equipment sales increased 9 percent in the quarter, and profits rose. The food machinery and petroleum equipment businesses led the sales increase. Backlog in Petroleum Equipment continued to strengthen during the quarter.

Defense Systems sales jumped 27 percent, and profits rose substantially in the quarter because of the timing of deliveries of major orders to the U.S. Navy and M113 armored personnel carriers to international customers. During the quarter a $7.5 billion arms package for Saudi Arabia was submitted to the U.S. Congress. The proposal represents $150 million in sales for FMC and includes 200 Bradley Fighting Vehicles.

For the first nine months of 1990, sales rose 6 percent to $2.7 billion. Earnings from operations increased slightly to $267 million, with substantially better performance by Defense Systems and Machinery and Equipment offsetting shortfalls in the Precious Metals and chemicals segments.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Republic New York Corp., holding company of Republic National Bank of New York and The Manhattan Savings Bank, announced Wednesday that net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 was $54.7 million.

This compares to a net loss of $155.4 million in the third quarter of 1989, which included a $200 million provision for developing countries' debt obligations. Net income per common share for the third quarter of 1990 was $1.43, compared to a net loss of $5.32 in the third quarter last year.

The corporation today declared a quarterly dividend of 33 cents per share, payable Jan. 1, 1991 to holders of record as of Dec. 15, 1990.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net income increased to $151.8 million compared to a net loss of $69.8 million in the nine month period of 1989. Net income per common share for the nine months of 1990 was $4.17, compared to a net loss of $2.89 last year.

The corporation announced that the board of directors has authorized a stock repurchase program under which the corporation may purchase up to 500,000 shares of its common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. Repurchased common shares will be held as treasury stock and will be used to meet current and future common stock requirements for the corporation's benefit plans. The 500,000 shares represent about 1.5 percent of the 34.6 million shares currently outstanding.

At Sept. 30, Edmond J. Safra, the corporation's major shareholder, beneficially owned 9,961,610 shares of common stock or approximately 29 percent of the outstanding shares. Safra has the approval of the Federal Reserve Board to puchase up to an additional 1.5 million shares of Republic common stock. To date, he has purchased 171,200 shares under this approval.

The corporation completed the previously announced merger of The Manhattan Savings Bank on May 2. This transaction was accounted for as a purchase and the operating results of Manhattan are included in the corporation's consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition.

The corporation is also evaluating plans to consolidate Manhattan Savings Bank administrative office space. Net interest income was $124.5 million and $328.5 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990, compared to $87.0 million and $265.4 million a year earlier. The major component of the increase in net interest income is a result of the acquisition of The Manhattan Savings Bank.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Adolph Posnick, chairman and chief executive officer of Ferro Corporation (NYSE-FOE), the Cleveland-based manufacturer of industrial specialty materials, revealed the Company's global

strategies and competitive edge in materials technology at a meeting of securities analysts and portfolio managers today.

Mr. Posnick noted that Ferro's business strategies have made it one of the leading companies in the chemical industry in total return to investors in the 1980s and the most consistently profitable public company in Ohio in the last five years. With respect to this year's performance, Mr. Posnick stated that significant progress has been made in the specific areas which had impacted first half earnings and further improvement is anticipated. He expects the Company to resume its pattern of historical growth.

Ferro expects to report worldwide sales of $281 million for the third quarter ended September 30, compared with $266.7 million for the same period last year. Projected earnings of approximately $8 million for the third quarter will be below the $11.9 million posted for the same period last year, but an improvement over this year's second quarter results of $7.1 million. The anticipated primary earnings per common share will be approximately $0.37, compared with $0.51 per common share a year ago.

For the nine months ended September 30, sales will reach $843 million, versus the $813.6 million recorded last year. Net income should total about $21 million, or $0.96 per common share, compared with $37.4 million, or $1.69 per common share in 1989.

Also at the meeting, Albert C. Bersticker, president and chief operating officer of Ferro, reviewed the Company's worldwide operations. Other Company executives discussed specific aspects of Ferro's international businesses and financial strategies.

Ferro Corporation is a major international producer of industrial specialty materials including coatings, colors, ceramics, chemicals and plastics. In 1989, the Company reported worldwide sales of $1.08 billion.

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EL SEGUNDO, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The availability of a new software product called Xerox Printer Access Facility (XPAF) was announced Wednesday by Xerox Corp.

The company said the software enhances Xerox printing systems in the IBM MVS/XA or MVS/ESA operating environments.

The software provides increased compatibility between Xerox high-volume centralized and low-volume distributed printing systems and responds to the needs of many Xerox customers to coexist with IBM Advanced Function Printing (AFP). AFP is a collection of IBM software programs normally required for IBM printing.

Residing on the computer mainframe, XPAF acts as a ''printer driver'' and data stream transformer and also provides centralized printer resource management.

In the IBM AFP software environment, XPAF transforms AFP data streams to a format that supports the user's ability to print applications on Xerox high-volume printers.

In the Xerox operating environment, XPAF transforms Xerox high-volume printer data streams into low-volume printer data streams.

As a system-level solution, XPAF satisfies customer requirements for centralized resource management of fonts, forms and graphics and for job accounting. It also provides a standard operating interface to printers and expedites application developments to reduce application backlogs.

XPAF is now available in the United States through the company's direct sales force. Initial license fee in the United States is $16,400, with an annual license fee of $3,200 a year after the first year.

Xerox intelligent printing systems feature magnetic ink character recognition (MICR), high-quality 300 and 600 dot-per-inch resolutions, multitray input and output options, duplex printing and many advanced finishing options.

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MONROVIA, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Staar Surgical Co. is pleased to announce that the Elastimide Series Silicone Intraocular Lens has received Approvable Status from the FDA's Ophthalmic Devices Panel. While this is not a final approval, it is an important challenge that must be met prior to full Pre-Market Approval (PMA).

"The file passed without major incident," said Steven L. Ziemba, vice president of regulatory affairs. "The Panel seemed impressed with the file and appeared to have no problem with our clinical data. The file now will go back to the FDA for final regulatory review, with full approval anticipated in early 1991."

John R. Wolf, president and chief executive officer of Staar stated: "This now gives Staar something no other lens manufacturer possesses, a single-piece and multi-piece small-incision silicone lens with the potential for imminent FDA approval. Very shortly, we will be able to meet all of the needs of today's small-incision intraocular lens implant surgeons."

Staar, a publicly traded company founded in 1982, develops, manufactures, and markets products for small-incision surgery, primarily for use in cataract procedures.

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NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas Nelson Publishers (NASDAQ/NMS:TNEL) Wednesday announced improved results for the second quarter and six months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net revenues for the second quarter increased 18 percent to $21,354,351 from revenues of $18,140,980 in the year-earlier period. Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,849,669, or 33 cents per share, up 32 percent over net income for the similar period last year of $1,397,409, or 25 cents per share.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, net revenues were $35,025,121, an increase of 19 percent over net revenues of $29,360,347 in the year-earlier period.

Net income for the first half of 1991 increased 21 percent to $2,233,087, or 40 cents per share, from net income of $1,840,264, or 33 cents per share, in the first half of fiscal 1990. Net income for the prior year includes interest income from a tax refund of $117,000, or 2 cents per share.

These include LOVE HUNGER and LOVE IS A CHOICE by the doctors of the Minirth-Meior Clinic; THE NEW STRONG'S EXHAUSTIVE CONCORDANCE OF THE BIBLE; WISDOM: DON'T LIVE WITHOUT IT by Larry Lea; and BUSINESS BY THE BOOK by Larry Burkett.

Moore also reported that the company's music and gift product lines reported improved sales.

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OAKLAND, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Clorox Company (NYSE/PSE:CLX) Wednesday reported first quarter net earnings of $39,371,000 or 73 cents per share, down 14 percent from $45,911,000 or 83 cents per share, for the year ago period.

The decline in net income was primarily due to dilution resulting from the acquisition of the Pine-Sol cleaner and Combat insecticide lines. Also contributing to the lower net income were a general slowdown in grocery store sales and continued higher levels of new product and promotional spending.

The impact on earnings of the Pine-Sol/Combat acquisition, completed last August 1, was in line with earlier announced expectations that the transaction would result in a 30 cents to 40 cents per share dilution over the next 12 months. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer C.R. Weaver said integrating the acquisition into the company's operations is proceeding smoothly and is on schedule.

Net sales for the quarter increased 10 percent to $403,005,000 from $366,935,000.

Weaver attributed the higher sales primarily to shipments of new products combined with two months of volume from Pine-Sol and Combat. Growth in the rest of the business was modest due to the slowdown in the economy and competitive activity in some product categories.

First quarter shipments of the company's household products included record volumes for Clorox liquid chlorine bleach, Formula 409 all-purpose cleaner, Soft Scrub liquid cleanser, and Fresh Step cat litter. However, shipments of Clorox 2 color-safe bleach - both dry and liquid - were down, reflecting the effect of the new detergent-with-bleach products on the entire color-safe bleach category. Still, Clorox 2's market share held steady during the period.

New product activity continued at a heavy pace during the quarter. Professional Strength Liquid-plumr drain opener, introduced last January, is showing good progress. Take Heart salad dressings, a five-flavor line of no-cholesterol, low-fat salad dressings, introduced last March, also are showing excellent results.

The company also added a seventh flavor, Honey Dijon, to its regular line of bottled Hidden Valley Ranch salad dressings. These new products resulted in a sharp increase in the company's bottled salad dressing shipments. However, the increase in the bottled sector was offset to some extent by a slowdown in sales for the Hidden Valley Ranch dry mix product line.

Shipments of Clorox Detergent, which is marketed in about half of the country, were down from a year ago as a result of reducing marketing spending to

sustaining levels and the absence of last year's heavy introductory shipments in 25 percent of the country.

Total shipments were higher for products marketed to the food service industry and for household products that are sold internationally.

Bottled water operations, located in the Northeast and throughout Florida, reported a strong increase in shipments. Results, however, were down due to ongoing costs of consolidating these regional businesses.

Weaver said that the company expects a continuing slowdown in the economy and strong competitive activity in some of its product categories during the second quarter. The October - December quarter historically is the lowest quarter in terms of sales and profits due to the seasonality of some key brands such as charcoal, salad dressing and bleaches.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Los Angeles-based Crystal Cruises announced Wednesday that its ship, Crystal Harmony, will resume its regularly scheduled series of 10-day Trans-canal cruises between San Juan and Acapulco starting on Oct. 27.

Crystal Harmony cancelled its Oct. 7 and Oct. 17 Trans-canal sailings following an Oct. 1 fire that was caused by a fuel leak in the ship's auxiliary engine room. There were no injuries to the 920 guests or 540 crew aboard and the fire did not affect any of the guest decks. The ship is currently being repaired in Curacao.

''We are very pleased that Crystal Harmony will be completely repaired and back in service on October 27,'' said Arthur Rodney, president, Crystal Cruises.

''When the ship sets sail from Curacao to Acapulco, we will have certification from our underwriters, Tokio Marine, and Lloyd's Register, who is responsible for the ship's classification, stating that it is completely safe for cruising.''

The luxury liner will begin its 10-day Trans-canal cruise from Acapulco to San Juan on Oct. 27. Ports of call for this sailing will include Caldera, Curacao, St. Maarten and St. Thomas.

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DODGE CITY, KN (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - W-W-Capital Corp. is pleased to announce the acquisition of property in Abilene, Texas, from Western Fire and Marine Insurance Co., for exchange of preferred stock.

W-W Capital is forming a division which will be a real estate development division and the properties in Abilene are the first acquisitions for this division.

The increase in revenues, for year end June 30, 1990, of 40 percent to $4,595,465 and its first favorable net earnings, $265,980, since becoming a public corporation in August 1988, are record level achievements. With the acquiring of these assets from Western Fire and Marine Insurance Co., the stockholders' equity of $284,345 (as of June 30, 1990), increases to $1,084,345.

W-W Capital Corp. foresees continued favorable demand for livestock handling equipment during the current fiscal year and expects to introduce several new equipment enhancements and product lines within the next six to nine months. With continuing expansion of its dealer network, coupled with the new product introductions for its manufacturing subsidiary, W-W Capital Corp. anticipates another year of record revenues and earnings.

W-W Captial Corp. is publicly owned and traded in the Over-the-Counter market.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Telesis Group (NYSE:PAC) Wednesday reported third quarter earnings of $285 million, or 72 cents per share on revenues of $2.47 billion.

Earnings per share increased 5.9 percent compared to the third quarter of l989 or 72 cents to 68 cents in l989. The third quarter net income was up 2.5 percent compared to the like period in l989, or $285 million versus $278 million in l989. Total revenues increased to $2.47 billion from $2.37 billion in the third quarter in l989.

However, as described last year, third quarter 1989 results included three revenue reductions without which earnings per share would have been 73 cents and net income would have been $298 million. Third quarter, l990 earnings

continue to recover from levels experienced earlier in the year due to the adverse effects of the annual $391 million Pacific Bell rate reduction(a) that accompanied a major restructuring of telecommunications regulation in California.

''Our core business continues to produce strong earnings through growth in access lines, customer usage and cellular customer growth. Expenses are well-managed and their increases are under the rate of inflation,'' said Sam Ginn, chairman and chief executive officer of Pacific Telesis Group.

Revenues rose 28.3 percent to $149.5 million. Cellular now serves 472,000 customers, up 38.4 percent over the like period a year ago. Pacific Bell and Nevada Bell now have 14.1 million lines in service, an increase of 3.8 percent from a year ago.

Toll messages for the two local exchange companies grew 8.3 percent compared to the third quarter in 1989 to 874 million and minutes of use increased 9.0 percent to approximately 10.6 billion. Expenses in the third quarter rose $78 million over the like period last year and were primarily due to increases for depreciation, improvements in the telephone network and internal operating systems and union contract-related labor costs. Somewhat offsetting these expenses, the work force has decreased by 1,744 employees since the first of the year.

Pacific Telesis Group is a worldwide diversified telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Wednesday, Oct. 17, 1990, The board of directors of the Dreyfus Corp. (NYSE) declared a quarterly cash dividend of thirteen cents ($.13) per share on its common stock payable Wednesday, Nov. 14 1990 to stockholders of record on Monday, Nov. 5, 1990.

The quarterly cash dividend paid previously was thirteen cents ($.13) per share.

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OAKLAND, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of the Clorox

Company (NYSE/PSE:CLX) Wednesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 36 cents per share on the company's common stock, payable Nov. 15 to stockholders of record Oct. 26.

The Clorox Company is a diversified manufacturer of household grocery products sold in the U.S. and internationally; products and specialty equipment for the food service industry; and bottled water.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - California Water Service Co. (NASDAQ:CWTR) Wednesday announced third quarter earnings of 99 cents per common share, up 6 cents from the prior year.

Net income for the quarter increased 6 percent to $5,684,000 on revenue of $37,832,000.

C.H. Stump, president and chief executive officer, said the quarter's revenue increase of $1,874,000 included $1,300,000 received through customer penalty charges which had been collected in the five San Francisco Peninsula districts currently under water rationing.

During the quarter, the California Public Utilities Commission authorized the company to offset rationing revenue losses incurred through Aug. 8, 1990, in the five districts through the penalty collections. This included recovery of approximately $850,000 in revenue losses incurred prior to June 30, 1990.

Directors meeting on Wednesday declared the regular quarterly dividend of 43-1/2 cents per common share for shareholders of record Nov. 1, 1990, payable Nov. 15, 1990, in addition to the declaration of the regular dividend on preferred shares.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Lufthansa German Airlines will provide daily non-stop service between both Los Angeles and Frankfurt and San

Francisco and Frankfurt during the coming winter season.

It is a continuation of the summer schedule to meet the demand for increased travel to Germany and Central Europe. However, the German airlines thrice weekly Los Angeles-Munich flight will be discontinued on Nov. 4 to allow Lufthansa to reassign aircraft in connection with new services that will begin to Berlin.

Lufthansa will serve Berlin's Tegel Airport (formerly West Berlin) and Schoenefeld Airport (East Berlin's former airport) effective Oct. 28. Internal German flights will land at Tegel and the first USA-Berlin service will operate from Newark via Hamburg to Berlin.

Passengers from the West Coast wishing to fly to Berlin will continue to change aircraft at Frankfurt for hourly shuttle-type service. Lufthansa had not been able to serve Berlin since the end of World War II; the resumption of air service marking another change that comes about with the unification of Germany.

This winter, Lufthansa will again offer an extensive program of ski packages and tours to Germany and Central Europe. The airline's 54-page "Holiday Planner," describing the tour packages and fares, can be obtained from Lufthansa or travel agents. For fares and reservations, the airline's toll-free number is 1-800-645-3880.

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VALENCIA, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Newhall Land and Farming Co. (NYSE/PSE:NHL) Wednesday declared a regular quarterly cash distribution of 20 cents per partnership unit, payable Dec. 3, 1990, to unitholders of record Nov. 2, 1990.

This brings the total distribution for the year to 80 cents per partnership unit.

The board of directors also adopted a new schedule for declaration of distributions, starting with the first quarter of 1991. Distributions will be declared in February, April, July and November. The new distribution schedule was adopted to reflect a revised board meeting schedule to more evenly space meetings during the year. As a result, distributions will be paid one week later than the current schedule. The next distribution will be declared on Feb. 20, 1991, and be paid on March 11, 1991.

The Newhall Land and Farming Co. has paid uninterrupted quarterly dividends and distributions for 55 years. This distribution represents the 220th

consecutive quarterly payment.

Newhall owns and is developing one of the most valuable, large landholdings in the United States -- Valencia, a master-planned community that is twice the size of Manhattan and only 30 miles from downtown Los Angeles.

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VALENCIA, CALIF (OCT. 17) BUSINESS EDITORS - The Newhall Land and Farming Co. (NYSE/PSE:NHL) Wednesday reported net income of $8.6 million, or 23 cents per partnership unit, on revenues of $48.7 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $28.4 million, or 72 cents per unit, on revenues of $73.8 million reported for the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $28.2 million, or 75 cents per unit, compared with net income of $39.9 million, or $1.01 per unit, for the year earlier period. Revenues for the first three quarters of 1990 were $142.0 million compared with $141.1 million for the first nine months of 1989.

Results for 1989 include the sale of 238 single-family lots for $43 million which contributed about $22 million, or 55 cents per unit, to net income for both third quarter and nine months.

Per-unit results for 1989 have been adjusted for the 2-for-1 split effective January 29, 1990.

Thomas L. Lee, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''Revenues and earnings were lower because of weakness in the residential housing market and tightness of credit. While our industrial market remains strong, developers are encountering difficulty in financing parcels that are currently in escrow.

''Earnings for the year will be lower than last year's record results. Although home closings are expected to be close to last year's total of 574, we are selling lower-priced homes which provide smaller margins, and have been incurring higher marketing costs. In addition, residential lot sales for all of 1989 contributed $30.8 million, or approximately 78 cents per unit to 1989 earnings.''

Newhall owns and is developing one of the most valuable, large landholdings in

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SARATOGA, CALIF OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Microtechnology, Inc. (NASDAQ National Market System -- WSTM) reported sales of $19,246,000 for the second quarter ended September 30, 1990 of the nine month period ending December 31, 1990, (the company's new fiscal year end), compared with $21,034,000 for the corresponding quarter a year earlier, a decrease of 8.5 percent.

The net loss for the quarter was $850,000, equivalent to $.30 per share. For the corresponding quarter a year ago the net loss was $164,000 or $.06 per share.

For the six months ended September 30, 1990, sales were $39,117,000, a decrease of 8.6 percent from $42,793,000 recorded a year earlier. The net loss was $1,286,000, or $.45 per share. For the corresponding six months a year ago net income was $4,000.

Commenting on the results, Marshall G. Cox, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Western Microtechnology stated, ''A loss in the second quarter, although budgeted, was higher than we had anticipated. On the other hand, management has taken many signifcant steps during the September quarter to reduce substantially any future losses and return the company to profitability in 1991, even though it is expected to be a difficult year for electronics and the general economy. Among the many steps taken were a 20 percent reduction in headcount, a reduction in base salary for all employees of from 2 - 15 percent consolidation of management and facilities within certain operations, and tougher credit and expense controls.'' Mr. Cox added, ''Inventory of $10 million, gives Western Microtechnology the best inventory turns within member companies of the trade association NEDA (National Electronics Distribution Association). A positive cash flow from operations was realized for the quarter, and the balance sheet is in excellent condition.''

Western Microtechnology, Inc. is a leading, full service electronic distributor, specializing in components and systems products. The Company also offers memory and logic testing burn-in facilities and manufacturing operations in memory modules and cable assembly. It is a publicly-owned company traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol WSTM. Western Microtechnology, Inc. is headquartered in Saratoga, California with branches in Saratoga, San Diego, Agoura Hills, and Orange, CA., Beaverton, OR. Redmond, WA., Burlington, MA., Philadelphia, PA., and Fairfield, NJ., and reliability testing facilities in Durham, NC.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - RasterOps Corp. (NASDAQ:ROPS) Wednesday announced an agreement to supply a custom 24-bit photorealistic graphic board for Eastman Kodak Co.'s new Photo CD system.

Under the agreement, RasterOps will provide the 24-bit color products used in the Sun Microsystems SPARCstation 1+ which is the platform for Kodak's new Photo CD system.

''The Kodak system opens up a very promising new commercial application area for our photorealistic products,'' said Kieth Sorenson, president and chief executive officer of RasterOps. ''In addition to advancing business applications such as publishing, the Kodak Photo CD system is a creative way of bringing 24-bit color technology to benefit a much larger general consumer market.''

Paul Dangler, Team Leader for Photo CD Image Manager at Kodak, said, ''RasterOp's capability to display 24-bit images is essential in a high-quality imaging application like Photo CD.''

A typical photofinishing workstation in the new system will consist of a scanner and thermal printer developed and manufactured by Kodak, a Sun computer and a Photo CD discwriter made by Philips.

The new system will enable photofinishers to scan images from 35mm slides or negatives into a Sun SPARCstation 1+ where they can be edited or manipulated using RasterOps' True Color boards, and then written onto Photo CDs.

Photo CDs then can be played back on a television with a new Kodak Photo CD player manufactured by Philips. Kodak's Photo CD player will play digital-audio CDs, which are widely available today.

In addition to playback of the Photo CDs, customers can manipulate and incorporate them into existing business applications such as presentations and reports. Photofinishers also can provide ''instant'' high-quality photos by sending images from the SPARCstation 1+ to Kodak thermal color printers.

RasterOps Corp., headquartered in Santa Clara, designs, manufactures and markets photorealistic color-imaging products for Macintosh, IBM PC, Sun SPARC station and Digital RISC-based workstation platforms. RasterOps products are designed primarily for the graphic arts, printing, publishing and related

industries.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Gas and Electric Co. Wednesday reported that earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were up 28 percent to 88 cents per share, compared with 69 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989.

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
Condensed Statement of Consolidated Income
(Unaudited)
(in thousands except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989	Twelve Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
OPERATING REVENUES				
Electric	$ 2,055,745/a	$ 1,748,339/a	$ 6,788,250/a	$ 6,157,622/a
Gas	541,905	497,609	2,376,527	2,327,502
Total operating revenues	2,597,650	2,245,948	9,164,777	8,485,124
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Cost of gas and electric energy	903,212	719,554	3,347,730	2,900,241
Operations	299,908	302,427	1,251,377	1,222,296
Maintenance	81,173	81,347	421,488	374,386
Depreciation	265,495	253,597	1,035,279	971,389
Administrative and general	203,599	165,605	777,971	677,094
Income taxes	295,978	247,542	718,925	723,512
Total operating expenses	2,049,365	1,770,072	7,552,770	6,868,918
OPERATING INCOME	548,285	475,876	1,612,007	1,616,206
OTHER INCOME AND (INCOME DEDUCTIONS)				
Diablo Canyon rate case settlement	---	---	---	(1,021,858)/b
Income tax benefit related to Diablo Canyon rate case settlement	---	---	---	509,547/b

Allowance for equity funds used during construction	7,583	7,610	21,461	16,971
Other - net	38,565	37,250	53,871/c	55,047/b
Total other income and (income deductions)	46,148	44,860	75,332	(440,293)
INCOME BEFORE INTEREST EXPENSE	594,433	520,736	1,687,339	1,175,913
INTEREST EXPENSE Interest charges	206,466	211,951	835,114	854,045
Allowance for borrowed funds used during construction	(6,214)	(8,237)	(21,556)	(14,141)
Net interest expense	200,252	203,714	813,558	839,904
NET INCOME	$ 394,181	$ 317,022	$ 873,781	$ 336,009
Preferred dividend requirement	24,477	25,281	99,014	101,657
EARNINGS AVAILABLE FOR COMMON STOCK	$ 369,704	$ 291,741	$ 774,767	$ 234,352
WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING	420,870	423,091	425,838	416,413
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE	88 cents	69 cents	$1.82	56 cents
DIVIDENDS DECLARED PER COMMON SHARE	38 cents	35 cents	$1.49	$1.40

(a) Diablo Canyon revenues, including decommissioning revenues, for the three and twelve months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $456 million and $1,322 million, respectively, compared to $410 and $1,380 million for the comparable periods of 1989. Earnings per share for Diablo Canyon were 30 cents and 23 cents for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

(b) In December 1988, as a result of the Diablo Canyon rate case settlement and other adjustments, the company charged to earnings approximately $576 million after tax. The effect on earnings was a decrease of $1.38 per share for the twelve months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

(c) Due to an adverse decision in May 1990 in the Helms Pumped Storage Plant water conduit rupture litigation, the company reserved approximately $64 million, net of insurance proceeds and depreciation. The effect on earnings, including litigation settlement costs, was a decrease of approximately $66 million after tax, or 15 cents per share for the twelve months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Westcorp Inc. (ASE:WES), the Irvine-based diversified financial-services company, whose principal subsidiary is Western Financial Savings Bank, Wednesday announced net income for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, of $2.8 million, or 17 cents per share.

The results represent a 112 percent increase from the $1.3 million, or 8 cents per share, reported for the third quarter of 1989. Income for the first nine months of 1990 also exceeded earnings for the same period of last year, growing by 57 percent.

The interest-rate spread widened to 2.98 percent for both the current quarter and the recent nine months; loans delinquent 60 days or more stood at 0.65 percent.

At quarter end, real-estate 60 days or more delinquency stood at 0.63 percent, ''which is higher than last quarter but still substantially below the industry average,'' Prough reported.

Westcorp also announced that it had reincorporated from Delaware to California on Sept. 28, 1990, and now trades as a California corporation on the American Stock Exchange.

Western Financial Savings Bank operates 24 retail bank branches, 10 real-estate loan offices and five automobile-finance centers throughout California. The bank also offers consumer-finance services across the state through Westcorp Financial Services, a wholly owned subsidiary with 27 offices.

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GLENDALE, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - GLENFED Inc. (NYSE:GLN), parent company of Glendale Federal Bank, Wednesday reported net earnings of $17,689,000, or 52 cents per share, for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, which ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net earnings of $19,567,000, or 64 cents per share, for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

On a fully diluted basis, first-quarter earnings totalled 51 cents per share, vs. 62 cents per share a year earlier. Net earnings for the September 1990 quarter included pre-tax loan sale gains of $1.5 million (from the sale of $109 million in fixed-rate loans) compared with the September 1989 quarter which included pre-tax loan sale gains of $19.1 million (on loan sale volume of $954 million).

GLENFED's total assets were $25.1 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with

$24.7 billion for the year-ago quarter. Stockholders' equity was $1.3 billion at Sept. 30, 1990.

Net earnings from continuing operations totalled $19,562,000, or 58 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with net earnings from continuing operations of $15,579,000, or 51 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

On a fully diluted basis, net earnings from comtinuing operations for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, totalled 56 cents per share, compared with 50 cents per share a year earlier.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company recorded a loss of $1.9 million, after tax, for discontinued operations, compared with a profit of $4 million for the year-ago quarter. The loss is attributable to a slowdown in real estate development activity and additional loan loss reserves for the commercial lending subsidiaries.

At Sept. 30, 1990, GLENFED's net interest margin (the difference between the yield on loans and investments and the cost of funds) was 2.38 percent, compared with 2.06 percent at Sept. 30, 1989. Net interest income in the current quarter increased 31.5 percent from the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1989, from $91.5 million to $120.3 million.

Savings deposits totalled $16.4 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, 2.5 percent higher than the $16 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. Retail deposits increased by $1.1 billion from Sept. 30, 1989, while wholesale deposits declined $708 million over the same period.

Total non-performing and restructured assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $565.8 million, compared with $543 million at June 30, 1990. At Sept. 30, 1990, the company's non-performing assets (defined as non-accrual loans, real estate owned and other assets) totalled $491.2 million, compared with $449.4 million at June 30, 1990.

This increase was primarily from one commercial lending subsidiary, loans transferred from the restructured category to non-performing and an increase in real estate owned. At Sept. 30, 1990, the non-performing asset ratio was 1.95 percent of total assets, compared with 1.76 percent of total assets at June 30, 1990.

Restructured loans declined from 0.37 percent of total assets at June 30, 1990 to 0.30 percent Sept. 30, 1990. Glendale Federal Bank's non-performing asset ratio was 1.63 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with 1.53 percent of total assets at June 30, 1990.

Restructured loans for Glendale Federal Bank declined from 0.19 percent of total assets at June 30, 1990, to 0.15 percent at Sept. 30, 1990.

GLENFED is a diversified financial and real estate services corporation, and is the parent company of Glendale Federal Bank, the nation's fourth-largest savings bank, which operates 235 banking offices in California, Florida and Washington.

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TAIPEI, TAIWAN (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Wednesday announced that it, the Taiwanese national police and the anti-counterfeit agency of the Ministry of Economic Affairs have taken action against a counterfeit operation that may have been responsible for introducing more than 30,000 counterfeit copies of the Microsoft MS-DOS operating system into the Taiwan, North American and European markets.

A surprise police search of Data State Corporation, a trading company based in Taipei, revealed a significant number of unauthorized copies of Microsoft MS-DOS operating system versions 3.3 and 4.01 software and documentation. Microsoft is seeking criminal prosecution in the case.

Based on a preliminary estimate, the counterfeits involved in the recent seizure, and those revealed in business records obtained during the seizure, could have displaced legitimate sales to end users with a value of more than $4.5 million, based on the average retail price. As part of an ongoing effort against software piracy, the seizure was the largest against a single company counterfeiting Microsoft software in Taiwan. Last summer, Taiwanese newspapers reported that after Business Software Alliance raids, sales of legitimate software rose dramatically. Microsoft expects a similar situation with MS-DOS software in Taiwan.

Seizure orders were issued in connection with a criminal complaint filed by Microsoft. On Oct. 16, the orders were executed at five separate locations -- an office, warehouses, a printing house and book bindery associated with Data State. In the search, approximately 5,500 complete counterfeit copies of MS-DOS versions 3.3 and 4.01 were found. In addition more than 18,000 bound manuals, numerous duplication machines and thousands of components to be used in assembling counterfeit copies of MS-DOS software packages were also seized by the police.

Data State is believed to have sold counterfeit copies of the MS-DOS operating system to small OEMs (original equipment manufacturers), distributors and resellers in Taiwan, North America and Europe. The bogus MS-DOS packaged product appears at first glance to be identical to legitimate copies of the

MS-DOS operating system bearing only the Microsoft logo. Legitimate products bearing the Microsoft logo are manufactured exclusively by Microsoft. In addition, Microsoft also licenses OEMs to manufacture the MS-DOS operating system; these copies include the manufacturer's name and are sold with the OEM's computer systems. Data State has never been licensed to duplicate any part of the MS-DOS operating system.

MS-DOS is the most popular operating system for microcomputers. It is in use on more than 50 million microcomputers around the world, according to Dataquest, a market research firm. MS-DOS is also the most widely counterfeited software. The problem of software trafficking is widespread in Pacific Rim areas, including Taiwan. End users are led to believe that the product they are buying is the legitimate product from the original source -- in this case, Microsoft. Illegitimate copying of software cost U.S. software firms more than $16 billion in revenues worldwide in 1988.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ:MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems, languages and application programs, as well as books, hardware and CD ROM products for the microcomputer marketplace.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - First Security Corp. (OTC/NASDAQ:FSCO) Wednesday reported year-to-date net income of $36.6 million, up $3.18 million or 9.5 percent from the like period of 1989.

Third quarter earnings of $11.36 million were down $441,000, slightly below the $11.8 million earned during 1989's third quarter.

Nine month net income per share was $2.53 on a fully-diluted basis, a gain of 7.7 percent compared with the $2.35 earned during the first three quarters of 1989. Per share earnings for the third quarter were 79 cents, compared with 83 cents earned in the same quarter of 1989.

Non-performing assets, consisting of non-accrual and renegotiated loans and other real estate (ORE), totalled $109.28 million or 2.47 percent of loans, leases and ORE at Sept. 30, 1990. A year ago, such assets were $87.82 million or 2.1 percent of loans, leases and ORE, while at the end of the second quarter of this year they were $104.24 million, or 2.33 percent of loans, leases and ORE.

Total problem assets, which consist of non-performing assets and accruing loans past due 90 days or more, increased from $100.79 million at Sept. 30, 1989, to $118.36 million at Sept. 30, 1990, but decreased from $120.5 million at June 30, 1990.

During the quarter the company increased its loan loss provision and its loan loss reserve. The loan loss reserve at Sept. 30, 1990, was $70.82 million, which was equal to 1.61 percent of total loans and leases, compared with a reserve and ratio of $58.51 million and 1.42 percent one year ago.

At June 30, 1990, the loan loss reserve of $66.96 million amounted to 1.51 percent of total loans and leases. The loan loss reserve is 102 percent of non-accrual and renegotiated loans and 90.2 percent of non-accrual and renegotiated loans and accruing loans past due 90 days or more.

On a fully taxable-equivalent basis, net interest income for the first nine months of 1990 was $188.83 million, up $12.6 million from the same period of 1989. For the third quarter it was $65.1 million, compared with $59.51 million for the 1989 quarter.

These results represented a gain of 7.2 percent for the nine month period and an increase of 9.4 percent during the third quarter. Earning asset growth during 1990 accounted for the gain in net interest income, and came primarily from increased loans and leases, up 6.5 percent from Sept. 30, 1989.

Non-interest income increased $8.23 million or 44.4 percent for the quarter to $26.74 million, and up $12.94 million or 24.9 percent for the nine months to $64.98 million. The gain of $7.17 million taken during the third quarter from the asset-securitization of $115 million of home equity loans added to both the quarter and year-to-date comparison. Sustained quarterly and year-to-date improvements were noted in most other non-interest income categories.

Productivity, as measured by the ratio of non-interest expenses to average total assets, continued to improve, equalling 3.48 percent for the quarter and 3.53 percent for the nine months. These ratios compared with 3.55 percent and 3.69 percent for the respective periods last year.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Republic Capital Group Inc. (NASDAQ:RSLA) Wednesday reported earnings of $1,051,000 for their first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, or 61 cents per share, compared to $562,000, or 34 cents per share, for the comparable quarter of the previous year.

The 79 percent increase in earnings were due to increases in the net interest margin and stronger fee income generation. Republic continued to accelerate the building of its general reserve for loan loss with a provision of $321,000 from the current quarter compared to $147,000 for the previous year.

Robert L. Desmond, president, stated: ''We are pleased with the results of this quarter. We are starting to see the contribution of the two acquisitions we made last year. We are demonstrating that with sound management practices we can excel in spite of industry trends.''

Headquartered in Milwaukee, Republic Capital Group Inc. has 30 offices located in Wisconsin and Illinois. As of Sept. 30, Republic's net worth was $50,163,000, or $29.02 per share, with assets of $953 million.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, Republic Capital Group Inc. stock traded in the range of $10.50 to $14.50 per share with 1,728,723 shares outstanding. A dividend of 30 cents per share was declared Sept. 28 providing shareholders with a return in excess of 10 percent.

Republic Capital Group Inc., a multi-financial institution holding company, is the parent company with three financial institution subsidiaries: Republic Capital Bank, S.S.B., Milwaukee; Homes Savings Bank, S.A., Appleton, Wis.; and Peerless Federal Savings Bank, Chicago.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Norcen Energy Resources Limited (ToSE/ASE/MSE:NCN) Wednesday announced that regular quarterly dividends of 15 cents (Cdn.) per share on both the Multiple Voting Ordinary Shares (NCN) and the Subordinate Voting Ordinary Shares (NCN.A) and 50.75 cents (Cdn.) per share on the Series A, First Preference Shares (NCN.F) have been declared payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 13, 1990.

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APPLETON, WI (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Valley Bancorporation (NASDAQ/NMS:VYBN) Wednesday reported net income of $7.846 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 up from $7.738 million in the like period last year.

Earnings per share of 65 cents were unchanged from period to period. On a year to date basis, Valley earned $22.694 million, or $1.89 per share, vs. $21.954 million, or $1.85 per share, in 1989.

Valley's improvement reflects Wisconsin-based lending and the absence of high-risk real estate and LBO loans. Platten added that improved credit quality in today's economic environment is very encouraging.

On Jan. 31, 1990, Valley completed the cash acquisitions of the $118 million-asset First National Bank, Chippewa Falls, and the $21 million-asset Peoples State Bank, Three Lakes. Both acquisitions were accounted for as purchase transactions, therefore the consolidated results of operations include the operations of Chippewa and Three Lakes only from the date of acquisition forward.

Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 benefitted from a strong increase in net interest income of $8.840 million, resulting from growth in average earning assets between periods of 10 percent, or $267.474 million.

The income benefits from an increased level of earning assets was offset somewhat by a drop in net interest margin between years as the margin for 1990 equalled 4.49 percent, down slightly from 4.51 percent in 1989.

The third-quarter margin was 4.58 percent, an improvement over the second-quarter margin of 4.49 percent. Yields on earning assets have increased while overall cost of funds have not changed.

The margin was positively impacted in the third quarter by a reduced level of nonperforming loans. Noninterest income for the first nine months of 1990 grew to $30.134 million, an increase of $3.966 million over the $26.168 million in 1989.

Noninterest expense in 1990 moved up to $87.710 million, an increase of $8.946 million over the first nine months of 1989, due in part to our 1990 expansion activities. The provision for loan losses amounted to $5.731 million, an increase of $1.186 million from the first nine months of 1989. The increase in the provision for loan losses reflects increased loan growth along with an increase in net charge offs of $.378 million between periods.

The return on average assets for the first nine months of 1990 was .93 percent compared with .99 percent for the like period in 1989. The return on average equity decreased from 13.14 percent in 1989 to 12.48 percent in 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, Valley reported total assets of $3.334 billion, an increase of 10.6 percent over the $3.015 billion recorded on Sept. 30, 1989. Net loans increased to $2.219 billion, compared with $1.981 billion a year earlier, a 12.0 percent increase. The reserve for loan losses totaled $24.714 million on

Sept. 30, 1990 compared with $21.224 million on Sept. 30, 1989.

The reserve for loan losses as a percent of loans stood at 1.10 percent on Sept. 30, 1990 and 1.06 percent a year earlier. Nonperforming loans at Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $24.202 million, 1.08 percent of loans compared with $23.140 million, 1.16 percent of loans on Sept. 30, 1989. Deposits on Sept. 30, 1990 stood at $2.896 billion, an increase of 10.3 percent over deposits of $2.626 billion a year earlier.

Stockholders' equity totaled $249.073 million, an increase of $19.661 million over the $229.412 million on Sept. 30, 1989. At Sept. 30, 1990, book value per share was $20.68 compared with $19.29 per share at Sept. 30, 1989, an increase of 7.2 percent. Weighted average shares outstanding totaled 11,993,981 for the first nine months of 1990, and 11,853,133 for the like period in 1989.

Valley Bancorporation is the third largest bank holding company with headquarters in Wisconsin. Valley currently serves Wisconsin through more than 100 banking offices with additional financial service companies engaged in leasing, insurance, data processing, software development and sales, trust service, brokerage, and credit card servicing.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Guy F. Atkinson Company of California (NASDAQ:ATKN) Wednesday announced the appointment of Russell E. McSweeney, 50, as president and general manager of one of its industrial construction operating units, Tyger Construction Co. Inc., located in Spartanburg, S.C.

McSweeney, who in his 25-year career with Atkinson has held numerous construction and project management positions, most recently was executive vice president at Tyger. As president, he replaces Raymond A. Kabrick, 60, who resigned to pursue other business interests.

McSweeney, a civil engineer, has managed some of Atkinson's largest foreign work and was president of Atkinson's international construction operations prior to his assignment to Tyger earlier in 1990.

Guy F. Atkinson Company of California is a diversified corporation whose operations include construction, manufacturing, distribution of industrial pipe, and oil and gas exploration and development.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - University Savings Bank reported net income of $2.1 million for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compared to $1.3 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1989.

''The 58 percent increase in earnings was attributable to our continuing efforts to maintain a strong interest rate spread for the bank while controlling operating expense,'' stated Brian Dempsey, president and chairman of the board of University Savings Bank.

The bank's interest rate spread, the difference between the yield on earning assets and cost of funds, was 2.96 percent during the quarter compared to 2.18 percent in the first quarter a year ago and 2.98 percent in the previous quarter.

Operating expense as a percentage of average assets was 1.27 percent for the quarter compared to a ratio of 1.37 percent in the first quarter last year.

The Seattle-based bank generated $59.3 million in loan volume during the first quarter, the same volume originated in the first quarter a year ago.

Customer deposits were $784.4 million, representing an 11.5 percent increase during the past 12 months.

University Savings Bank posted total assets of $949.9 million on Sept. 30, 1990. The bank's net worth was $90.2 million, resulting in a ratio of net worth to average assets of 9.66 percent. Throughout the quarter, the bank exceeded each of the capital requirements established by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) for its member institutions.

University Savings Bank is a wholly owned subsidiary of Glendale Federal Bank, the nation's fourth-largest savings institution. GLENFED Inc. is the parent company of Glendale Federal Bank and today reported earnings of $17.7 million, or 52 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

University Savings Bank serves the Puget Sound market through a network of 22 offices in King, Pierce and Snohomish counties. The bank ranks fifth among Washington savings institutions in customer deposits and seventh in the state in total assets.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Valley National Corp. (NASDAQ:VNCP), whose principal subsidiaries are the Valley National Bank of Arizona and Valley Bank and Trust Co. (Utah), reported net income of $2.9 million (15 cents per share) for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares to net income in the previous quarter of $2 million (10 cents per share) and a net loss for the third quarter 1989 of $72.2 million ($3.65 per share).

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $5.5 million (28 cents per share). This compares with a net loss of $136.4 million ($6.90 per share) for the first nine months of 1989.

Total nonperforming assets declined $12.7 million to $503.8 million at Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to $516.5 million at the end of the previous quarter and $523.2 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Nonaccrual loans declined $9.3 million to $345.9 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares to $355.2 million at the end of the previous quarter and $390.2 million at Sept. 30, 1989. The corporation's other real estate owned (OREO) declined $3.4 million to $157.6 million at Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to $161 million at the end of the previous quarter and $132.6 million at Sept. 30 1989.

The third quarter provision to the allowance for credit losses was $24.4 million. Net charge-offs for the third quarter were $59.7 million. The allowance for credit losses at quarter-end was $244.2 million or 3.72 percent of total loans outstanding and 70.6 percent of nonaccrual loans.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets of the corporation were $10.3 billion and total deposits were $9.2 billion. Shareholders' equity was $449.4 million, primary capital was $693.7 million and total capital was $825.4 million at Sept. 30, 1990. The corresponding ratios of shareholders' equity, primary capital and total capital to assets were 4.36 percent, 6.57 percent and 7.82 percent.

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REDWOOD CITY, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Network Equipment Technologies Inc. (NYSE:NWK) Wednesday reported a net loss of $7 million, or 49 cents per share, for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income

of $4.8 million, or 33 cents per share, for the like period a year ago.

Revenue for the quarter was $37.1 million, down from $46.9 million in the comparable period last year, but up 43 percent compared to the immediately preceding quarter ended July 1, 1990.

Results of operations in the second quarter were positively affected by an extraordinary gain of $2.4 million, or 17 cents per share, arising from the repurchase of $6.4 million of convertible subordinated debentures.

Operating results were adversely affected by lower revenues over which fixed costs could be spread and by certain non-recurring items, including the settlement of litigation regarding a real estate lease and the write-off of certain intangible assets.

Non-recurring expenses during the quarter were approximately $4.4 million. In addition, a lower-than-expected tax benefit from operating losses increased the loss per share for the second quarter.

For the first half of fiscal 1991, revenue amounted to $63.2 million, compared with $88.7 million reported in the comparable period of fiscal 1990. The net loss for the fiscal half just ended was $20.4 million, or $1.43 per share, compared with net income of $9.6 million, or 67 cents per share, in the like period a year ago.

N.E.T. develops, manufactures, markets and supports advanced communications products and services that enable large, information-intensive organizations to build and manage wide-area networks. These networks interconect computer and communications devices amoung geographically dispersed locations, enabling organizations to utilize their information systems to competitive and economic advantage.

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SIGNAL HILL, Calif. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Ruth A. Martin, chairman of the board of Home Bank, announced Wednesday that both the FDIC and the California State Banking Department have approved the merger of The Torrance National Bank with and into Home Bank.

The parties intend to consummate the merger on Oct. 19, 1990. Upon consummation of the merger, each share of common stock, $3 par value, of The Torrance National Bank will be converted into the right to receive either 1.81

shares of common stock, no par value, of Home Interstate Bancorp, or $29.08 in cash.

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AUSTIN, TEXAS (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Healthcare International Inc. (ASE PSE:HII) Wednesday announced that it has agreed to a two-week extension, to Oct. 31, 1990, of the standstill agreement that has been in effect since Oct. 30, 1989.

Pursuant to the standstill agreement, HealthVest has agreed not to pursue claims against Healthcare for the duration of the standstill period, subject to Healthcare's compliance with the terms and conditions of the agreement.

Healthcare has paid HealthVest $600,000 in connection with execution of the extension, bringing the aggregate payments made by or on behalf of Healthcare to HealthVest during the month of October to approximately $2.9 million.

Healthcare International provides a wide range of health care products and services to both local and national markets through 21 facilities in four states. The company's Class A common stock is listed for trading on the American and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol HII.

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SCHENECTADY, NY (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - General Electric has announced that it has signed a contract worth $27.8 million with the Saudi Consolidated Electric Company of the Southern Region in Saudi Arabia for the supply of an MS7001EA gas turbine and associated equipment.

The gas turbine, rated at 59.7 megawatts, will be installed at the Tihama Central Power Station in the southwestern part of the country. Two GE MS7001E and two GE MS6001B gas turbines are currently in operation at the power station.

Based on average U.S. usage, the new unit will produce enough power to meet the needs of 42,000 people. This order illustrates growing worldwide demand for electrical power, which characterizes a growing market for new power generation equipment.

GE received the contract in consortium with European power plant constructor

SAE Sadelmi. SAE Sadelmi will build the plant and supply and install transformers, switchgear and other associated power plant equipment. The unit is intended for baseload operation and will be fueled with crude oil.

The gas turbine-generator and related equipment will be shipped in December of this year and the unit is slated for commercial operation in the first quarter of 1992. The gas turbine will be manufactured in GE's Greenville, S.C. manufacturing facilities and the generator will be manufactured at GE's Schenectady, N.Y. plant.

GE is the world's leading manufacturer and supplier of power generation systems and services, including steam turbines, gas turbines, STAG (TM) combined-cycle systems, cogeneration power equipment and a variety of uprate, upgrade and power plant maintenance programs. Through a subsidiary component, GE Environmental Systems, GE provides flue gas desulfurization and other air purification systems.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Microwave Corp. (NASDAQ:DMIC) announced Wednesday that sales for the second quarter ended Sept. 30 were $37,157,000, or a 46 percent increase over the $25,364,000 reported for the second quarter last fiscal year.

Net income was $3,674,000, down 7 percent from the $3,938,000 reported in the second quarter of last fiscal year. Net income per share decreased from 32 cents in the second quarter of fiscal 1990 to 30 cents in the second quarter of fiscal 1991. Backlog at Sept. 30 was $52,017,000 as compared to $49,397,000 at June 30.

Sales for the first six months of fiscal year 1991 were $70,487,000, a 49 percent increase over fiscal year 1990's sales for the first six months of $47,413,000. Income for the first six months of fiscal 1991 was $7,010,000, a 2 percent decrease from the $7,138,000 reported for the first six months of fiscal year 1990. Net income per share decreased from fiscal year 1990's 58 cents to 57 cents for the first six months of fiscal 1991.

Headquartered in San Jose, Digital Microwave Corp. is a leading supplier of high performance short-haul transmission products to domestic and international markets.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Laserscope (NASDAQ:LSCP) Wednesday announced financial results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reported revenues of $17.1 million for the quarter, an increase of 218 percent over revenues of $5.38 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the quarter was $2.39 million, an increase of 340 percent from $0.54 million in 1989. Net income per share for the quarter was 35 cents, up by 218 percent from 11 cents in last year's third quarter.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $35.6 million, an increase of 158 percent over the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the nine months was $4.93 million, an increase of 271 percent from 1989. Net income per share for the first nine months of 1990 was 73 cents, up by 170 percent from 1989.

The third quarter results reflect a continuation of Laserscope's strong profitability performance. In addition to the completion of the ninth successive quarter of increased profits, Laserscope announced substantial improvements in profit margins this quarter. Gross margin for the quarter was 60.2 percent compared with 57.1 percent in the immediately preceding quarter.

Similarly, operating margin was 15.4 percent, compared to 13.1 percent in the immediately preceding quarter. These improved margins were the result of product cost reductions and operating efficiencies achieved in Laserscope's manufacturing operations.

Sales of the company's laser systems were approximately 76 percent higher than the immediately preceding quarter. The strong increase in the third quarter shipment level reflects both good underlying growth in demand for Laserscope's KTP/YAG Surgical Laser Systems and additional shipments to return customer delivery times to a more normal level.

Delivery times for the company's Surgical Laser Systems had risen in the second quarter as a result of a rapid increase in orders. This increased shipment rate was facilitated by a substantial increase in production capacity.

The actual production rate for the company's Surgical Laser Systems was more than double that of the first quarter of this year.

Reflecting the substantially higher level of revenue from the sales of laser systems, recurring revenue from sale of disposables, accessories and service was 18 percent of the total, compared to 25 percent in the second quarter. However, in absolute amount, these revenues showed good growth from the

previous quarter.

Laserscope announced this new product earlier in the quarter. The air-cooled system has the same functionality as previous models and can cut hemostatically in contact with tissue providing tactile feedback to the surgeon.

Simply by moving the fiber out of contact with tissue the surgeon can achieve the alternative surgical effects of coagulation and vaporization.

Laserscope designs, manufactures and markets an advanced line of KTP/532 and KTP/YAG surgical laser systems and related accessories and disposables. These systems employ the company's proprietary laser technology based on KTP crystalline material and enable the surgeon to cut, coagulate and vaporize tisssue in a wide variety of applications and procedures.

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COSTA MESA, Calif. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - PDA Engineering (NASDAQ:PDAS) Wednesday reported its results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net earnings increased 23 percent to $416,000, or 9 cents per share, for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991, as compared with $339,000, or 8 cents per share, for the first quarter of fiscal year 1990.

Revenues for the first quarter were $8.15 million, an increase of 26 percent over the first quarter of the previous year. Software-products revenues for the first quarter increased 38 percent over the same period last year. Engineering services also continued to operate at profitable, stable levels.

This is the 23rd consecutive revenue increase compared with the prior year's quarter since PDA Engineering became a publicly owned company in 1985. The company's operating income for the current quarter amounted to $493,000, an increase of 43 percent over the $344,000 for the first quarter of the previous fiscal year.

Louis A. Delmonico, president and chief executive officer, said:
''First-quarter revenues established another record compared to the first quarter of last fiscal year. The quarter had special meaning to us because of the rate of increase of our revenues.

''Our software-products revenues are derived from both renewals of licenses from existing cusomers and also from new annual licenses. Our renewal rate also continues to be high. As a provider of engineering software that helps

companies in the design-to-manufacturing process, we see that there is a continuing high interest in products that increase productivity.

''Secondly, we had a significant amount of new business during the first quarter. This indicates high interest in our product offerings overall.

''During the quarter, we began marketing and sales of three new products -- P/FATIGUE, a PATRAN software module to analyze and predict product life; P/CONCEPT-Analysis, a stand-alone analysis product that provides engineering-analysis capability and directly interfaces with Parametric Technology Corporation's Pro/ENGINEER design software; and a first-of-a-kind materials visualization, selection and data-integration software system, M/VISION.

''With M/VISION, engineers, for the first time, can exploit and use materials as a design variable. The start-up and marketing of these new products, when added to several new projects and personnel additions over the past several months, meant that our expense levels were also at record levels, in what is historically our lowest revenue quarter in our fiscal year.''

Commenting on the net earnings reported, Delmonico said, ''Given the high level of activity and expenses in the first quarter of fiscal 1991, we are pleased that the net earnings also increased.''

Delmonico concluded, ''Our first-quarter overall revenues and earnings growth are on plan and establish a pace for the balance of our fiscal year.''

PDA Engineering, based in Costa Mesa, specializes in analysis software, engineering services, materials engineering and training for mechanical engineers engaged in product design, analysis and manufacturing. PDA's leading MCAE software products, sold under the PATRAN brand name, provide specialty analysis capabilities for aerospace, automotive, commercial and government markets.

The company distributes its products through sales offices in 11 U.S. cities, five company-owned subsidiaries in Europe and independent distributors elsewhere.

PDA ENGINEERING AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Earnings
(000s omitted)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Revenues:		
Software products	$ 6,390	$ 4,637
Engineering services	1,760	1,850
Total	8,150	6,487

Costs and expenses:		
Cost of revenues -- software products	2,211	1,744
Cost of revenues -- engineering services	1,358	1,438
Research and development	536	360
Selling, general and administrative	3,552	2,601
Total costs and expenses	7,657	6,143
Operating income	493	344
Non-operating income	179	216
Earnings before income taxes	672	560
Provision for income taxes	(256)	(221)
NET EARNINGS	$ 416	$ 339
EARNINGS PER SHARE	9 cents	8 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,575	4,244
Engineering services backlog	$ 3,530	$ 6,859 T

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PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Precision Castparts Corp. (NYSE: PCP) Wednesday reported improved sales and earnings for the quarter and record sales and improved earnings for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

E.H. Cooley, board chairman and chief executive officer of the Portland-based manufacturer of investment castings for the aerospace, industrial turbine and health care industries, said that sales for the quarter increased 17 percent to $130 million, up from $110.9 million in the prior year's second quarter. Gross margin improved by 22 percent and was 16 percent of sales for the quarter. Net income for the quarter amounted to $8 million, or 46 cents per share, up 11 percent from the $7.2 million, or 43 cents per share, for the same period last year. Compared with the current year's first quarter, net income was up nearly 8 percent on approximately the same level of sales.

For the first half of fiscal 1991, sales amounted to a record $259.8 million, a 17 percent increase from the prior year's $222.5 million. Net income increased 3 percent to $15.4 million, or 89 cents per share, from $14.9 million, or 88 cents per share, earned in the first six months one year earlier. Pre-tax income increased 30 percent from $17.7 million to $23 million. The provision for income taxes for the prior year was reduced as a result of the realization of R&D tax credits in last year's first and second quarters.

In reporting quarterly results today, Cooley said that sales growth occured in both the company's Structurals and Airfoils Divisions. Cooley said that the company's gross margin continues to improve as development castings are converted to more routine production. General and administrative expenses

increased during the quarter, Cooley said, because incentive compensation increased compared to nominal amounts the prior year, because of the write-off of a large account receivable in Oregon, and because constant European spending was higher when converted to dollars.

The backlog of orders at Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $546.3 million, up 18 percent from $463.3 million one year earlier.

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VANCOUVER, WASH. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - VanFed Bancorp (NASDAQ:VANF), Wednesday reported that a strong residential mortgage market, an improved interest rate environment, and continued tight expense control boosted third quarter net income to $368,000, or $.32 per share, compared to a net loss of $133,000, or $.12, in the third quarter last year.

''VanFed has been able to capitalize on the strong demand for home mortgages during the summer. Loan originations nearly doubled to $46 million compared to $23.1 million a year ago and, more importantly, non-performing loans (including real estate owned) have been reduced to $3.3 million or 1.06% of total assets from $5.2 million or 1.72% a year ago,'' said Loren B. Means, president and CEO.

''While our loan volume has increased, the size of our lending staff has remained constant, significantly increasing productivity. Our entire lending organization has demonstrated its ability to provide top notch-service while adhering to our strict underwriting standards,'' he added.

''Uncertainty about interest rates and the economic outlook has reinforced our desire to maintain a moderate approach to loan originations. In the last two quarters we have added significant amounts to the bank's reserves to protect its capital and will continue to maintain a conservative posture,'' Means said.

For the first nine months of 1990, VanFed's net earnings were $1,102,000, or $.95 per share, compared to $427,000, or $.37 per share, in the like period a year ago.

VanFed's net interest income, after a $290,000 provision for possible loan losses, increased 14.5% to $1,795,000 this quarter compared to $1,567,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The net interest margin shows a steadily increasing trend, moving to 2.65% for the quarter compared to 2.41% in the second quarter this year and 2.30% in the third quarter a year ago.

Non-interest income was $629,000 in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared

to $827,000 earned in the like quarter a year ago. Non-interest expense totaled $1.8 million compared to $2.6 million in the third quarter of 1989.

VanFed's total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $313.3 million. In addition, the portfolio of loans serviced for others totaled $250.4 million. The bank's net worth at Sept. 30, 1990, was $15.3 million, and its net worth ratio was 4.9%.

VanFed's book value was $13.21 per share at the end of September, an 10% increase over last year.

VanFed Bancorp is the holding company for VanFed Savings Bank, the largest publicly held thrift headquartered in Southwest Washington. The $313-million thrift serves its customers through seven full-service branches and a mortgage loan production office in Clark County, Washington.

VanFed Bancorp
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(unaudited)

	Third Quarter Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net interest income before provision	$2,085,000	$1,764,000	$5,720,000	$4,464,000
Provision for loan losses	$ 290,000	$ 197,000	$ 433,000	$ 202,000
Net interest income	$1,795,000	$1,567,000	$5,287,000	$4,262,000
Non-interest income	$ 629,000	$ 827,000	$1,790,000	$2,435,000
Non-interest expense	$1,840,000	$2,585,000	$5,328,000	$6,033,000
Income tax provision (benefit)	$ 216,000	($ 58,000)	$ 647,000	$ 237,000
Net earnings (loss)	$ 368,000	($ 133,000)	$1,102,000	$ 427,000
Earnings per share	$ .32	($ .12)	$ .95	$ .37
Shares outstanding	1,156,350	1,150,000	1,156,350	1,150,000
Average shares outstanding	1,156,350	1,150,000	1,154,605	1,150,000

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Total assets	$313,319,000	$302,115,000
Loans receivable, net	$229,952,000	$232,326,000
Shareholders' equity	$ 15,275,000	$ 13,763,000
Book value per share	$ 13.21	$ 11.97
Problem Assets: Delinquent loans excluding real estate owned and real estate in judgement	$ 653,000	$ 1,433,000
Restructured loans	$ - 0 -	$ - 0 -
Real estate owned and real estate in judgement	$ 2,683,000	$ 3,777,000

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MILPITAS, Calif. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Quantum Corp. (OTC:QNTM) Wednesday announced that it is shipping its high capacity ProDrive hard disk drive to Sun Microsystems Inc.

Quantum's drive provides 207 megabytes of formatted capacity for use in Sun's new SPARCstation IPC system.

Quantum's ProDrive 210S drive features an embedded SCSI controller, an average seek time of less than 15 milliseconds and Quantum's proprietary DisCache feature for even faster data retrieval.

According to Quantum President David A. Brown, Quantum has been shipping its 105-megabyte ProDrive Series drive to Sun for its SPARCstation I products for over a year.

''Sun has been a key customer for Quantum and we are gratified that they have decided to expand their working relationship with us. We are pleased that we were able to meet their requirements on this new project and look forward to continuing working closely with Sun to meet their storage product needs in the future.''

Quantum's high capacity 120/170/210 megabyte drives, announced in September 1989, are currently designed into systems of more than 30 computer manufacturers worldwide, including those of many major OEM customers who also use Quantum's lower capacity products. The high capacity ProDrive products are manufactured on Quantum's highly mechanized manufacturing line in Milpitas.

Quantum's ProDrive Series is a broad family of high performance 3.5-inch hard disk drives with formatted capacities from 42 to 425 megabytes. All ProDrive Series products feature average seek times of 19 milliseconds or less and provide performance enhancements such as DisCache, Quantum's proprietary disk caching technology.

Since its founding in 1980, Quantum has emerged as a leading independent manufacturer of reliable, high-performance, mass storage systems for business, engineering, and scientific computing. The publicly held company has products designed for desktop workstation; personal computer; and laptop, notebook, and portable computer system applications.

Quantum markets its drives to OEMs and distributors worldwide. Plus Development Corp., a Quantum subsidiary established in 1983, designs and markets personal computer storage enhancement products for end users through 2,500 dealers worldwide.

Note to editors: ProDrive, ProDrive Series and DisCache are registered trademarks of Quantum Corp. SPARCstation is a trademark of SPARC International Inc., licensed exclusively to Sun Microsystems Inc. Products bearing SPARC trademarks are based on an architecture developed by Sun Microsystems Inc.

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BILLERICA, MA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - BTU International Inc. (NASDAQ:BTUI) Wednesday reported a net loss of $2.5 million, or a net loss of $0.38 per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $1.8 million, or $0.25 per share, for the same 1989 period.

Sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $14.7 million, vs. $26.8 million for the three months ended Oct. 1, 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $4.0 million, or a net loss of $0.62 per share, compared with net income of $6.0 million, or $0.84 per share, for the same 1989 period. Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $49.4 million, vs. $76.3 million for the nine months ended Oct. 1, 1989.

As announced on Oct. 3, 1990, BTU undertook an aggressive cost-reduction and company-wide reorganization plan, which included a nine percent reduction in work force. Approximately $0.08 per share of the third-quarter loss is the result of a one-time charge primarily related to severance pay.

The company's short-term debt consists of a mortgage of approximately $11 million. BTU is presently negotiating replacement mortgage financing with several lenders. However, commitment and closing is not expected to occur until sometime in 1991.

BTU International, Inc. is one of the principal suppliers worldwide of wafer-processing systems which are used in the manufacture of integrated circuits. In addition, the company is a leading international manufacturer of thermal-processing systems used to package and seal integrated circuits.

Condensed consolidated statements of income and balance sheets for the company follow.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Dayna Communications Inc. Wednesday announced Macintosh Ethernet adapters for the new Macintosh LC and Macintosh IIsi models.

The DaynaPORT E/LC and DaynaPORT E/si adapters are Processor Direct Slot (PDS) cards that provide connectivity to thin Ethernet, thick Ethernet, twisted pair wiring and fiber optic cables. The DaynaPORT cards allow Macintosh users to share company-wide network services over Ethernet cable systems. A variety of protocols are supported in addition to EtherTalk, including TCP/IP, DECnet, OSI and A/UX.

Both cards use the new high performance SONIC Ethernet controller chip from National Semiconductor Corp., which features 32-bit DMA and bus-mastering abilities. The DaynaPORT E/LC card includes a socket that can accept a 68881 or 68882 floating point coprocessor chip.

Both cards will be available in the first quarter of 1991. The DaynaPORT E/si will retail at $499, and the DaynaPORT E/LC will retail at $489.

Dayna Communications Inc. is a privately held company that designs and manufactures a range of products to meet the connectivity needs of personal computer users.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Wednesday announced that it has reached an out-of-court settlement with Paperback Software International and Stephenson Software Ltd. for the violation of Lotus' copyrights in its 1-2-3 spreadsheet software.

In June, U.S. District Court Judge Robert E. Keeton ruled that Paperback of Berkeley, Calif., and its development partner, Stephenson Software of Vancouver, British Columbia, violated Lotus' copyrights in 1-2-3 by copying substantial elements of the software program's user interface.

The settlement calls for Paperback to cease violating Lotus' copyrights by removing from the market its infringing spreadsheets, V-P Planner, V-P Planner Plus and V-P Planner 3D. Paperback also agreed to pay Lotus $500,000. In addition, Paperback agreed not to appeal Judge Keeton's June ruling and to

drop its counterclaims against Lotus.

Lotus filed suit against Paperback and Mosaic Software Inc. in January 1987, charging the defendants deliberately copied, keystroke for keystroke, the spreadsheet module of Lotus 1-2-3. The case was tried in February and March 1990 in U.S. District Court in Boston.

''We filed suit more than three years ago because these companies had created a competitive product by copying our work,'' said Thomas Lemberg, Lotus' vice president and general counsel.

''We believe the protection of intellectual property is fundamental to the health of the software industry,'' Lemberg added. ''We and our customers benefit from competition, but not from competition based on the theft of someone else's work. Success in this industry is derived from creativity and innovation. The copyright laws protect software creators and innovators, and encourage them to deliver products with new benefits for customers.''

In Lotus' pending copyright infringement suit against Mosaic Software Inc. of Boston, Lotus charges that Mosaic's ''The Twin'' spreadsheet products violate Lotus' copyrights. Mosaic has agreed to be bound by Judge Keeton's rulings in the Paperback case concerning the scope of Lotus' copyrights and has conceded that its products are copied from 1-2-3. Mosaic's remaining defenses are scheduled to be tried on Oct. 25 before Judge Keeton.

Lotus Development Corp. (NASDAQ:LOTS) develops, markets and supports business software that helps users access, analyze, communicate and share information. Founded in 1982, the company's first product, Lotus 1-2-3, is the most popular personal computer software program in the world with more than 12 million users. Lotus markets its broad range of products in more than 65 countries and offers users comprehensive support options, including 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week support in the U.S. for PC versions of its 1-2-3 spreadsheet.

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NASHVILLE, TENN. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Fidelity Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:FFTN) Wednesday announced results for its second quarter and six months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income increased 15 percent to $1,886,000, or 55 cents per share, compared with $1,641,000, or 47 cents per share, in the year-earlier period.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income increased 14 percent to

$3,444,000, or 99 cents per share, compared with $3,031,000, or 86 cents per share, for the same period a year ago.

Commenting on the results, Stanley D. Overton, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said, ''We are pleased to report another quarter of solid earnings for Fidelity.

''Net interest income for the second quarter increased to $7,093,000 from $6,370,000 a year ago, and our net yield on interest earning assets increased to 2.91 percent from 2.62 percent.

''Fidelity originated $32.2 million in new loans during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $36.4 million a year ago, and sold $17.8 million of mostly fixed-rate loans in the secondary market compared with $19.0 million in loan sales during the second quarter last year.

''At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets increased to $1.025 billion compared with $1.014 billion a year ago. Deposits increased to $774.9 million from $720.8 million last year. The higher level of deposits is being used to increase total assets and pay down other borrowed funds.

Fidelity also announced that, as of Sept. 30, 1990, it had acquired 231,500 shares pursuant to its stock repurchase program. Subsequent to Sept. 30, 1990, Fidelity acquired an additional 144,500 shares, for a total of 376,000 shares repurchased, or 10.6 percent of Fidelity's issued shares.

These actions complete Fidelity's current stock repurchase program. Fidelity continues to review plans for possible additional stock repurchase programs in the future.

With assets in excess of $1 billion, Fidelity Bancshares' common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FFTN.

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DAYTON, OH (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. announced that Best Products Co. Inc., one of the nation's largest catalog showroom retailers with 230 stores across 27 states, has selected NCR 7052 point-of-sale (POS) workstations for installation in 35 stores.

The contract with Best is valued at approximately $2.5 million.

''We chose NCR 7052 POS workstations because they offered the best price/performance of the models we looked at, and also because they integrated

so easily with our existing environment,'' said Dan Rubin, vice president of Management Information Systems at Best. ''The workstations offer us great flexibility in their open architecture and compatibility with industry standards.''

Integrated with NCR personal computers, the NCR 7052's are used for POS-related activities such as price look-up, interactive credit, check authorization, inventory tracking and collection of marketing data. The NCR systems communicate directly with mainframe computers at Best Products' headquarters in Richmond, Va.

''Best has been a valued partner for many years,'' said Tony Fano, vice president, NCR retail systems division. ''NCR's 7052 POS workstations provide Best with a solution that combines industry-standard open systems architecture and retail-specific features required in the marketplace for maximum flexibility. The NCR 7052 is designed to be easily upgradeable to future hardware and system software.''

Best, one of the nation's largest catalog showroom retailers, operates 195 Best showrooms in 27 states. The company also operates Best Jewelry, a chain of 35 fine jewelry and giftware stores, and Tele-Mail, a nationwide mail order service.

Service and maintenance support for NCR products is provided by 5,000 field and software engineers at 400 locations in the United States.

NCR, based in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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EL SEGUNDO, CALIF. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Condor Services Inc. (NASDAQ:COND) Wednesday announced that the company intends to purchase up to $400,000 of its common stock on the open market.

Such purchases will occur from time to time as market conditions allow through March 31, 1991. The company intends to retire any shares purchased. Currently there are 2,165,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

Condor Services is an insurance holding company which, through its three

operating subsidiaries (Condor Insurance Co., Raven Claims Services and Interstate Program Managers), provides certain property and casualty insurance coverages and services to the specialized trucking industry in California and Arizona.

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MT. LAUREL, NJ (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Tyco Toys Inc. (NASDAQ:TTOY) and Nasta International Inc. (AMEX:NAS) Wednesday jointly announced that Tyco has completed its tender offer for the publicly held shares of Nasta International Inc. and Monday completed the merger of TNI Inc., a Tyco subsidiary, into Nasta.

As a result, Nasta is now a wholly owned subsidiary of Tyco and all remaining public stockholders of Nasta are entitled to receive $1.25 in cash for each of their shares, the same price paid by Tyco in the cash tender offer.

Stockholders are entitled to seek an appraisal of their shares in accordance with the provisions of section 262 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

Nasta also said that soon it will mail to the Nasta shareholders a Notice of Merger and instructions for obtaining the cash payment to which they are entitled as a result of the merger.

Tyco, headquartered in Mt. Laurel, markets a broad range of toys.

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NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - First Commerce Corp. (NASDAQ:FCOM) Wednesday announced its third quarter earnings of $2,253,000.

This compares to net income of $5,207,000 in the previous quarter and

$6,896,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The largest factor affecting third quarter earnings was a provision for loan losses of $18,095,000. Nonperforming assets increased $15,592,000. Earnings per share were 15 cents versus 55 cents in the same quarter last year and 40 cents in the second quarter.

The increased provision for loan losses resulted from continued adherence to First Commerce's strategy of recognizing and dealing with problems as early as possible. While the Louisiana economy is showing some signs of improvement, real estate values remain very weak and continue to decline. The increased provision was primarily due to real estate-related loans.

Net interest income was $41,882,000 this quarter, compared to $38,745,000 in the same quarter of 1989. Growth of 10 percent in earning assets was the largest factor in this increase. Loans grew 6 percent and investment securities grew 28 percent, when compared to the same period in the prior year.

The net interest margin was 4.30 percent in the third quarter, 4.41 percent in the third quarter of 1989 and 4.33 percent in the second quarter of this year.

Other income, excluding securities transactions, was $18,196,000 in the third quarter, 9 percent higher than the third quarter last year. The increase in noninterest income is primarily due to normal recurring sources, principally fees and service charges on deposit accounts and credit card income. Operating expense was $40,006,000, only a 1 percent increase over the same quarter in the prior year.

The provision for loan losses of $18,095,000 this quarter compares to $6,170,000 in the third quarter of 1989 and $11,953,000 in the previous quarter. The allowance for loan losses was 2.40 percent of loans and leases, versus 1.99 percent at Sept. 30, 1989, and 2.22 percent at June 30, 1990.

Net charge-offs were $13,692,000 in the current quarter, compared to $7,161,000 in the same quarter of 1989 and $4,592,000 in the second quarter. Nonperforming assets were $93,140,000 on Sept. 30, 1990, 33 percent higher than a year ago.

As a percent of loans and leases, nonperforming assets were 3.91 percent at the end of the third quarter, versus 3.04 percent at Sept. 30, 1989 and 3.28 percent at the end of the prior quarter.

On Sept. 30, 1990, stockholders' equity was 4.80 percent, primary capital was 6.02 percent and total capital was 8.02 percent. Total assets were $4.6 billion, loans and leases, net of unearned income, were $2.3 billion and deposits were $3.7 billion.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Philip Morris Companies Inc. Wednesday reported revenues and earnings for 1990 third quarter and first nine months as follows: FOR THE THIRD QUARTER:

OPERATING REVENUES UP 15.6%
OPERATING COMPANIES INCOME UP 19.7%
EARNINGS BEFORE INCOME TAXES UP 30.6%
NET EARNINGS UP 25.3%
NET EARNINGS PER SHARE UP 24.7%
TO $1.01 PER SHARE

FOR THE FIRST NINE MONTHS:

OPERATING REVENUES UP 11.6%
OPERATING COMPANIES INCOME UP 19.2%
EARNINGS BEFORE INCOME TAXES UP 30.0%
NET EARNINGS UP 27.7%
NET EARNINGS PER SHARE UP 28.0%
TO $2.88 PER SHARE

Hamish Maxwell, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Philip Morris Companies Inc., today announced that consolidated operating revenues, operating companies income, earnings before income taxes, net earnings, and net earnings per share increased both for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

Operating revenues for the third quarter of this year were $12.8 billion, an increase of 15.6% over the $11.1 billion reported in the same period last year. Operating companies income for the third quarter was $2.3 billion, an increase of 19.7% over the $1.9 billion in last year's third quarter. Earnings before income taxes were up 30.6% to $1.7 billion from $1.3 billion reported in the third quarter of 1989. Net earnings increased 25.3% to $937 million from $748 million for last year's period; net earnings per share for the quarter rose 24.7% to $1.01 from $.81 for the comparable quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, operating revenues were $36.9 billion, an increase of 11.6% over $33.1 billion in the similar period of last year. Operating companies income of $6.5 billion was 19.2% higher than the $5.4 billion reported for the first nine months of 1989.

Earnings before income taxes were up 30.0% to $4.7 billion from $3.6 billion in the comparable period last year. Net earnings advanced 27.7% to $2.7 billion from $2.1 billion for the first nine months of 1989. Net earnings per share for the current nine months were $2.88, up 28.0% from $2.25 in 1989.

During the third quarter, the company acquired over 99% of the voting rights and the equity of Jacobs Suchard AG, a leading European coffee and confectionery company, at a cost of approximately $4.1 billion. Consolidated results of the company include the operating results of Jacobs Suchard AG since acquisition.

Philip Morris Companies Inc. has five principal operating companies: Philip Morris Incorporated (Philip Morris U.S.A.), Philip Morris International Inc., Kraft General Foods, Inc., Miller Brewing Company, and Philip Morris Capital Corporation.

Kraft General Foods, Inc. has seven operating units: General Foods USA, Kraft USA, Kraft General Foods International (including Jacobs Suchard), Kraft General Foods Canada, Oscar Mayer Foods, Kraft General Foods Frozen Products, and Kraft General Foods Commercial Products. Philip Morris Capital Corporation is engaged in financial service activities. Its subsidiary, Mission Viejo Company, is engaged principally in land planning, development, and sales in southern California and Colorado.

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MARKHAM, ONTARIO (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Geac Computer Corp. Ltd. is pleased to announce the creation of Geac J&E Systems.

This 100 percent wholly-owned subsidiary has been formed through the Sept. 17th acquisition of the rights and ownership of Jonas & Erickson Software Technology Inc. software and assets.

The new company will continue to market, develop and support J&E's award-winning, industry-specific computer software solutions.

Geac J&E Systems' goal is to be a leader in UNIX-based vertical software solutions. Designed to take advantage of multi-user connectivity, flexibility and expandability, Geac J&E Systems is staffed by industry specialists to custom-tailored software solutions to each vertical market's distinctive needs.

Geac President and Chief Executive Officer, Stephen J. Sadler, said, ''We look forward to not only continuing but improving the relationships with J&E customers which have been cultivated over the last number of years. We are also excited about combining the additional talented expertise and resources, formerly with J&E, with the current abilities within Geac.''

Geac J&E Systems is committed to supporting its considerable client base of

over 2,000 businesses. Geac J&E Systems will provide complete support services including software and hardware maintenance.

Additionally, to protect its clients' investment, Geac J&E Systems' industry-specific research and development team is expanding development efforts and continuing with enhancements of the product line.

Sadler added, ''It is our intention to expand research and development immediately and to enhance our ability to service our current and future customers.''

Along with the new company two major appointments: Mr. Philip Landow as vice president of Geac J&E Systems Limited in Canada, and Mr. Michael Greenough as vice president of Geac J&E Systems Inc. in the US. Both men were originally from Jonas & Erickson Software Technology Inc.

Founded in 1971, Geac Computer Corp. Ltd., provides complete computer solutions to various markets worldwide. Its world headquarters are in Markham Ontario, Canada. Geac is a publicly traded company on The Toronto Stock Exchange (Symbol: GAC)

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PHOENIX (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Aztar Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:AZTR) Wednesday reported third quarter net income of $4.4 million, or 11 cents per share, compared with $5 million, or 12 cents per share, in the comparable 1989 quarter.

Aztar's revenues were $130.6 million in the quarter ended Sept. 27, 1990, down from $148.2 million a year earlier. Costs and expenses were $112.5 million, down 9.2 percent from $123.9 million in the third quarter of 1989. Income from continuing operations before income taxes and extraordinary items was $4.4 million in the 1990 third quarter, up from $2.4 million a year earlier.

TropWorld Casino and Entertainment Resort in Atlantic City, N.J., Aztar's largest property, reported $16.4 million in operating profit before net rent, down from $20.2 million, on revenues of $84.1 million, down from $96.7 million a year earlier.

Aztar's Tropicana Resort and Casino in Las Vegas, Nev., reported operating profit before net rent of $2.2 million on revenues of $36.2 million in the most recent quarter, compared with $6.3 million on $40.8 million in the 1989

period.

Aztar's Ramada Express Hotel and Casino in Laughlin, Nev., reported operating profit before net rent of $1.3 million in revenues of $10.3 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $1.5 million on $10.7 million a year earlier.

Through the first nine months of 1990, Aztar reported a net loss of $11.5 million, or 30 cents per share, on revenues of $387 million, compared with a net loss of $21.8 million or 54 cents on revenues of $407.4 million at the end of the 1989's third quarter. Operating profit before net rent was $57.4 million in 1990 year to date, compared with $32.2 million a year earlier.

The main factor in the negative year-to-date comparison is a 1990 charge of $34.3 million for a litigation judgment in a 10-year-old Nevada contract dispute.

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CONCORD, NH (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Community Bankshares Inc. (NASDAQ:CBNH), parent company of Concord Savings Bank, Wednesday announced net income of $260,000, or $.15 per share, for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company earned $182,000, or $.11 per share, for the same period of the prior year.

During the quarter, the company provided $200,000 into its allowance for possible loan losses, bringing the allowance to $5,950,000 after net charge-offs of $514,000 for the quarter. At Sept. 30, 1990, the allowance for possible loan losses represented 77.5 percent of non-performing loans of $7,676,000, and 2.7 percent of total loans of $221,581,000.

Total non-performing assets at Sept. 30, 1990 equalled $15,936,000, a decrease of $485,000 from Sept. 30, 1989 and $2,791,000 from June 30, 1990. The company provided $300,000 into its allowance for possible loan losses during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net interest and dividend income for the quarter just ended totaled $2,153,000 producing a net interest margin of 3.15 percent as compared with $2,056,000 and 2.89 percent, respectively, for the prior year.

Non-interest expense increased by 7.6 percent during the quarter over the same period of the prior year. This increase was primarily due to the increased costs of resolving or maintaining non-performing assets, including real estate

acquired through foreclosure.

At Sept. 30, 1990, stockholder's equity totaled $20,660,000, or 7.1 percent of total assets and represented book value per share of $12.31. The company's capital continues to exceed all published regulatory minimums.

In making today's announcement, Douglas Crichfield, president and chief executive officer, stated that ''We are pleased to report a profit for the first quarter of our 1991 fiscal year given the existing difficult economic environment. We are also encouraged by the fact that we have now generated a profit for three consecutive quarters.

Community Bankshares Inc. is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''CBNH''. The company's principal subsidiary, Concord Savings Bank is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and offers a wide range of consumer and commercial financial services throughout New Hampshire with three offices in Concord, N.H.

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ALABNY, N.Y. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Trans World Music Corp. (NASDAQ:TWMC) Wednesday announced withdrawal of a registration statement covering 1,150,000 shares of the company's common stock.

The registration statement, which had not been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission, included 287,500 and 862,500 shares that were to be offered by the company and its Chairman, Robert J. Higgins, respectively.

Higgins stated, ''The decision to withdraw the Registration Statement was based on deterioration in the company's common stock price since the July 23 filing date and the unfavorable conditions of the financial markets in general.''

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Charles G. Hanson, chairman and chief executive officer of Stuart Hall Company Inc., (NASDAQ:STUH), Wednesday announced that he has signed a multi-year, multi-million dollar contract with FSC Paper Company L.P. of Chicago, Illinois.

The multi-year agreement will provide Stuart Hall Company a 100 percent recycled paper produced with 60 percent post-consumer wastes. The recycled paper will have an exceptionally smooth writing surface, Hanson noted.

Stuart Hall will use the recycled paper in its new Green Leaf line of school and office products. The company will introduce 36 new Green Leaf products to the market by December of this year.

The Green Leaf product line will be distributed through the company's distribution system of 46,000 retail stores and will be supported by a promotion and advertising budget in excess of $1 million.

Hanson also stated, ''With many of America's landfills nearing capacity, Stuart Hall executives were determined to offer consumers products that will allow them to have a strong positive impact on the natural environment. While paper has been produced with up to 51 percent recycled fiber in the past, there has never been a 100 percent recycled paper for the office and school markets produced with 60 percent post-consumer wastes, such as newspapers, magazines and computer print-out sheets, destined for a landfill. We view this as an extremely significant development for the good of the nation's environment,'' Hanson concluded.

Stuart Hall Company Inc. is a leading manufacturer of office supplies, school supplies and stationery,

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EL SEGUNDO, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - International Rectifier Corp. (NYSE/PSE:IRF) Wednesday reported net income of $1.1 million (10 cents per share) on sales of $58.4 million in its first fiscal quarter ended September, compared with a net loss of $0.7 million (6 cents per share) on sales of $49.6 million in the year-ago quarter.

Net results improved by $1.8 million on revenue growth of $8.8 million (17.8 percent) year-to-year. Quarter-end backlog of $96.1 million set a company record, running 24 percent ahead of the year-ago level. Orders and shipments also set first-quarter records for the company.

Gross margins rose 2.8 points year-to-year, to 31.5 percent. Results reflected the year-to-year increase in production volume in the Electronic Products

Division. At HEXFET America, the company's $100 million HEXFET power MOSFET manufacturing plant, wafer fabrication capacity utilization averaged 59 percent in the quarter, compared with 45 percent in the year-ago quarter.

First quarter orders ran 3 percent above year-ago levels, constrained by limited assembly capacity on HEXFETs and allocations on shipment of certain high-demand products. Additional assembly capacity installed at HEXFET America in the December quarter is expected to reduce leadtimes and backlog and support order input proportionate to the production increase.

The company introduced its new generation of IGBTs (Insulated Gate Bipolar Transistors), which are much faster and more efficient than other IGBTs on the market. The company expects their performance capabilities to greatly expand the range of applications for these devices. Additional patent applications are pending.

Several events during the quarter related to IR's proprietary technology and intellectual property.

IR announced the issuance of a new U.S. patent that covers all cellular structures for power MOSFET and IGBT-type power transistors.

Siliconix incorporated and International Rectifier implemented an ongoing royalty-bearing license agreement under IR's power MOSFET patents, which were held valid and infringed by Siliconix in a Federal District Court decision earlier this year.

IR filed two lawsuits separately charging Harris Corp. and SGS Thomson Microelectronics, S.p.A. and its U.S. subsidiary with infringement of IR's power MOSFET patents. Harris filed an action for declaratory judgement to invalidate the five power MOSFET patents just upheld in litigation.

The company expects double digit revenue growth in fiscal 1991 with continued improvement in operating profitability, subject to economic conditions.

International Rectifier is a major worldwide supplier of power semiconductors and the international leader in power MOSFETs with its HEXFET line.

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DETROIT (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia has awarded Unisys a contract for a high-speed check processing system valued at approximately $6 million.

The contract includes hardware, software, installation services, and support services.

''With the addition of the Philadelphia Federal Reserve, Unisys will be handling high-speed check processing at 26 of 47 check processing sites in seven of 12 districts of the Federal Reserve system, representing approximately 61 percent of all checks cleared by the Fed,'' said O.G. Greene president of Unisys financial systems division.

The check processing installation at the Philadelphia Federal Reserve Bank will consist of a Unisys V 510 mainframe system, V 430 mainframe system, DP 1800 document processors, M 9710 disk subsystems, and CP 2000 communications processors.

The check processing software to be installed is an enhanced version of the Unisys item processing system (IPS) software currently installed in 25 check processing sites in the federal reserve system. According to Donald F. Doros, executive vice president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, ''The decision to replace our current check processing hardware and software was a difficult, but necessary one.

The Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia is one of the 12 regional federal reserve banks that make up the Federal Reserve System. The Philadelphia Federal Reserve Bank has approximately 1200 employees and 400 member banks.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - In an ''open letter'' to ASK stockholders mailed Tuesday, Sandra L. Kurtzig, ASK's chairman, president and chief executive officer terms the acquisition of Ingres Corp. ''the cornerstone of ASK's long-term strategy'' and ''critical to ASK's strategies to increase stockholder value.''

She also says that the planned sale of 5.6 million ASK shares to EDS Corp. and Hewlett-Packard Co. for $60 million, or $10.78 per share, ''demonstrates the strong support that these companies have for our strategy.''

As evidence of her own belief in the future of ASK, Kurtzig says, ''I have personally invested nearly $8.4 million cash in ASK common stock purchases over the past 14 months.''

Commenting on the attempt by James Lennane to seize control of ASK's board, Kurtzig says, ''Lennane has no known experience as a manager or board member in the manufacturing information systems or relational database and tools

industries. Moreover, he has failed to offer any specific business plans or programs to ASK.''

Among the numerous benefits cited in the letter of the proposed Ingres acquisition -- which would create a software company with annual sales approaching $400 million -- are that the purchase will strengthen ASK's position as a leading supplier of computer systems and software and will substantially strengthen ASK's international presence.

Kurtzig also says, ''Ingres products offer tremendous potential for ASK... (they) are considered some of the most advanced in its industry.''

Regarding the sale of ASK stock to Hewlett-Packard and EDS, Kurtzig notes that ''the endorsement of EDS and HP of ASK's strategies should strengthen ASK's position in its market.''

The letter concludes, ''We have formed a bold strategic plan for growth and to enhance stockholder value. I am optimistic about our future and urge you (stockholders) to reject Lennane's scheme to seize control of ASK and to derail our carefully conceived strategy.''

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SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CALIF. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Nichols Institute (ASE:LAB) announced Wednesday that net income for the third quarter of 1990 increased by 52 percent to $1,955,000, or 14 cents per share, compared with $1,288,000, or 11 cents per share, for the 1989 quarter.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $5.62 million, or 41 cents per share, compared with $3,401,000, or 32 cents per share, for the comparable 1989 period.

Revenues for the 1990 third quarter were $44,789,000, a 37 percent increase over the $32,766,000 reported for the 1989 quarter. Revenues for the 1990 nine-month period totaled $129,320,000, a 35 percent increase above the $95,488,000 recorded last year.

Dr. Albert L. Nichols, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, indicated the current results were in line with the company's earlier announcement regarding its expectations for the third quarter.

He further indicated that the record level of revenues attained this quarter and the earnings performance were achieved despite the typical seasonal softening in demand for laboratory-testing services during the summer months

and the adverse impact associated with consolidation of the company's regional laboratory operations in Portland, Ore.

Nichols Institute provides esoteric diagnostic testing to clinets nationwide in the fields of endocrinology, genetics, immunology, microbiology, molecular biology, oncology, serology, special chemistries, toxicology and virology.

It also has regional laboratories in California, the Pacific Northwest and the Midwest which provide clinical testing to those markets. NIDA-certified substance-abuse testing is also provided to clients nationwide. Nichols Institute Diagnostics manufactures kits for the performance of medical diagnostic tests which are distributed worldwide.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - NYCOM INFORMATION SERVICES INC. (NASDAQ:NYCM) announced Wednesday that it has completed the acquisition of Eastern Pay Phones Inc., a privately-held provider of public pay telephone services based in Richmond, Va.

Under and subject to the terms of the acquisition, Eastern's owners will be entitled to receive 1.9 million shares of NYCOM's common stock.

Commenting on the acquisition, NYCOM's chairman and chief executive officer, David A. Lyons, said, ''Consolidating the operations of Eastern within NYCOM marks the start of our vertical integration strategy. This will allow NYCOM to have greater control of our subscriber base while positioning the company to take advantage of the long term economic benefits of the public access terminal business.''

NYCOM INFORMATION SERVICES INC. has established itself as one of the nation's fastest growing telecommunications network service providers. Via its leading edge technology and national telecommunications network, NYCOM offers a broad spectrum of standard and enhanced calling features and information services to meet the needs of the transient telephone user within the payhone, hotel, hospital, interexchange carrier and business user marketplace.

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IRVINE, Calif. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - AST Research Inc. (NASDAQ:ASTA) Wednesday announced sales of $136.3 million for a record first quarter of fiscal year 1991, ended Sept. 28. This compares to sales of $114.5 million for the first quarter of fiscal year 1990.

Net income after taxes was $11.4 million for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991, compared to $2.9 million for the comparable prior year period. Earnings per share were 74 cents for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991, compared to 24 cents for the like period last year.

AST revenues in the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 increased 19 percent over the first quarter of the prior year. Earnings per share rose 208 percent over the comparable prior year period.

AST Research Inc. is a leading manufacturer of high-performance personal computers, enhancement and data communication products. AST's dual-brand product line, which features the Premium and Bravo families, allows users to choose from a full range of price and performance options.

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NEW CASTLE, IN (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameriana Bancorp (NASDAQ/NMS:ASBI), the holding company for Ameriana Savings Bank, Wednesday announced results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, which included a 13 percent increase in earnings per share compared with those of the same period last year.

The company's increased earnings were due to both higher net interest income and other income, coupled with reduced total expenses.

Net interest income for the third quarter of 1990 totaled $2,278,000 compared with $2,272,000 in the year-earlier period. After provision for loan losses, net interest income was $2,198,000 vs. $2,142,000 last year. Net income was $637,000, or 34 cents per share, compared with $572,000, or 30 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, Ameriana reported net income of $1,922,000, or $1.01 per share, vs. earnings of $1,634,000, or 86 cents per share, in the same period last year. Net interest income for the year-to-date period totaled $6,884,000 compared with $6,759,000 in 1989.

Ameriana Bancorp, through its wholly owned subsidiary, Ameriana Savings Bank, offers an extensive line of banking services to the east central Indiana area through offices in New Castle, Knightstown, Middletown and Greenfield.

In addition to banking services, Ameriana, through Ameriana Financial Services Inc., has an interest in a life insurance company headquartered in New Orleans owns Thalls Ameriana, a full-service insurance agency in New Castle, and provides a full line of investments and securities products in its brokerage center.

The common stock of Ameriana Bancorp is traded in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol ASBI.

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NASHUA, NH (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Nashua Corp. (NYSE:NSH) Wednesday reported record net income of $8.2 million, or $1.26 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990.

This compares with income from continuing operations of $7.9 million, or $.83 per share, and net income of $6.4 million, or $.67 per share, for the same period in 1989. Average shares outstanding for the three months ended Sept. 28, 1990, were 6.5 million vs. 9.6 million in the prior year.

Sales for the three months ended Sept. 28, 1990, increased to $163 million compared with $143 million in the third quarter of 1989. The sales gain was primarily attributable to the mail-order photofinishing business of Hedley-Taylor plc which was acquired in March 1990.

For the nine months ended Sept. 28, 1990, Nashua reported net income of $16.8 million, or $2.09 per share, compared with income from continuing operations of $12.5 million, or $1.31 per share, and net income of $13.7 million, or $1.43 per share, for the same period in 1989. Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $453 million vs. $421 million in the comparable 1989 period, the increase due primarily to the photofinishing business acquired in the first quarter of 1990.

Management reported higher sales and operating income for the Photofinishing Group compared with the same quarter last year. While revenues in the United Kingdom increased sharply due to a first quarter 1990 acquisition, income climbed in all three countries where Nashua operates.

The Computer Products Group recorded increased sales compared with year-ago levels primarily due to higher demand for thin-film discs. Operating income fell below last year's level, reflecting the effect of lower shipments of small-oxide discs.

Third-quarter operating income advanced versus 1989's third quarter in the

Office Supplies Group, despite lower revenues. Paper shipments declined during the quarter compared with last year's levels. Toner sales, however, continued to advance and accounted for the improved operating results.

The company indicated that third quarter sales and earnings declined in the Coated Products Group compared with the same period last year. Tape demand has been adversely affected by the slowing economic activity in the U.S., while thermal paper revenues declined due to reduced export volume and lower domestic pricing.

The company reported that 119,000 shares of common stock were repurchased during the third quarter, bringing the total shares repurchased under the current one-million share program to 398,000.

Management again indicated that it expects to realize a gain from the April 1990 sale of its international office systems business to Gestetner Holdings plc. However, the company has not yet recognized any gain as the final purchase price is subject to adjustment upon audit, and that audit process has not been completed.

Nashua Corp. provides a diverse mix of products and services which includes coated paper products, computer products, office supplies and photofinishing services.

A condensed consolidated statement of income and balance sheet and selected financial information for the company and wholly owned subsidiaries is attached.

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MURRAY HILL, NJ (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - C.R. Bard, Inc. (NYSE:BCR) Wednesday reported sales totaling $199.6 million, net income of $10.5 million and earnings per share of 20 cents for the quarter ended September 30, 1990.

Included in the results for the quarter is a gain on the sale of Shield Healthcare Centers and a charge to provide inventory reserves for angioplasty catheters.

Net income for the quarter was $10.5 million, up 6 percent over $9.9 million in the third quarter of 1989 and earnings per share were 20 cents compared with 18 cents, an 11 percent increase.

Sales for the quarter ended September 30, 1990 increased 5 percent to $199.6 million compared with $190.1 million in the third quarter of 1989. Domestic

sales for the quarter were $139.1 million, down 3 percent, while sales outside the U.S. rose 28 percent to $60.5 million. Foreign currency exchange variations accounted for about 8 percentage points of the sales increase outside the U.S.

Sales growth in the quarter was led by the surgical and urological product groups, up 18 and 17 percent, respectively. Excluding domestic angioplasty sales, Bard's worldwide sales were up 14 percent in the quarter.

Bard's effective tax rate for the quarter decreased to 26% compared with 37% a year ago as more of this year's pre-tax earnings come from countries with lower tax rates. The sale of Shield Healthcare Centers, announced on September 13, was completed on September 28. The sale resulted in a pre-tax gain of over $5 million, which is classified below the operating income line. Most of the purchase price was received in cash at the closing and the balance is due upon the completion of an independent audit.

During the quarter, the Company determined that its current U.S. inventory of balloon angioplasty catheters will not be suitable for sale when Bard reenters the U.S. market. Product changes and changes to the manufacturing system to comply with FDA regulations led to this conclusion. As a result, inventory reserves were increased to 100% of the book value of these catheters. The charge, included in cost of goods sold, was over $5 million.

Bard is currently seeking FDA approval to market in the U.S. a fixed-wire balloon angioplasty catheter (the New Probe) and two over-the-wire balloon angioplasty catheters (the Sprint and Solo).

C.R. Bard, Inc., headquartered in Murray Hill, is a leading multinational developer, manufacturer and marketer of health care products.

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NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Shoney's Inc. (NYSE:SHN) Wednesday named James W. Arnett, previously president of the company's largest division, Shoney's Restaurants, president and chief operating officer of the corporation.

A 20-year employee, Arnett, 41, replaces Gary P. Spoleta, who is retiring to develop franchised Shoney's Restaurants in New Mexico.

In addition, Steve Sanders, a 25-year employee who had been vice president of operations in the Shoney's Restaurant division, was named president of that division, succeeding Arnett.

The changes in management are effective immediately, although Spoleta will

remain in an advisory capacity to management until the end of the year, said Leonard H. Roberts, chairman and chief executive officer.

Arnett began working with Shoney's in 1970 while he was a student at Tennessee Technological University in Cookeville, Tenn. He was manager of the restaurant in five years and was named Shoney's operator of the year for 1977. He was later promoted to division director and regional vice president.

Spoleta, 47, has been with Shoney's Inc. for 18 years. A graduate of the Cornell University School of Hotel and Restaurant Administration with a master's degree in food biochemistry, Spoleta joined Shoney's Inc. as director of commissary operations in 1972. In 1977, he was named group vice president of the Shoney's Restaurant division, and became president of Shoney's Inc. in 1982.

At the annual meeting of Shoney's Restaurant operators in October 1989, it was announced that, upon retirement, Spoleta would be granted rights to develop franchised Shoney's Restaurants in New Mexico. The arrival of Roberts as the new chairman and chief executive officer, however, delayed his retirement plans, Spoleta said.

Shoney's Inc. is a major diversified food service operator and franchisor of more than 1,600 restaurants and lodging units, including Shoney's, Captain D's Lee's Famous Recipe Chicken, Fifth Quarter Restaurants, Pargo's and Shoney's Inns. Shoney's Inc. is a publicly held company traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SHN.

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE:PIR) reported Wednesday that sales for the fiscal month ended Oct. 6 increased 7.5 percent to $50,572,000 from $47,063,000 a year earlier.

The company said comparable store sales decreased 6.3 percent for the month.

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GUNTERSVILLE, Ala. (OTC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Comptronix Corp.

(NASDAQ/NMS:CMPX) Wednesday announced record sales and net income for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the quarter increased 119 percent to $19,768,000 compared with sales of $9,040,000 in the second quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter increased 175 percent to $845,000 compared with $307,000 in the same period a year ago. Earnings amounted to 10 cents per share, up 150 percent from 4 cents per share in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales increased 36 percent to $45,148,000 compared with $33,240,000 in the first three quarters of 1989. Net income totaled $1,776,000 compared with $1,318,000 in the year-earlier period. Earnings per share were 20 cents compared with 18 cents in 1989, reflecting a 16 percent increase in the average number of shares outstanding.

William J. Hebding, chairman and chief executive officer of Comptronix, commented: ''We are pleased with the growth in sales and earnings which Comptronix achieved in the third quarter. During the period, the company continued to diversify its customer base in a wide variety of industries. The company's backlog of orders was a record $32 million at the end of the quarter indicating continuing revenue growth in coming quarters.''

Comptronix Corp. provides contract manufacturing services to original equipment manufacturers in the electronics industry and specializes in assembling printed circuit boards for customers requiring strict quality control and prompt, responsive service.

COMPTRONIX CORP.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	10/1/89
Net sales	$19,768,000	$9,040,000
Net income	$ 845,000	$ 307,000
Earnings per share	10 cents	4 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	8,714,000	8,688,000

	Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	10/1/89
Net sales	$45,148,000	$33,240,000
Net income	$ 1,776,000	$ 1,318,000
Earnings per share	20 cents	18 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	8,696,000	7,501,000

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - NYCOM INFORMATION SERVICES INC. (NASDAQ:NYCM) announced Wednesday the election of Steven G. Chrust, 41, as its president.

Prior to the election, he was chairman and CEO of Eastern Pay Phones Inc., Richmond, Va., a privately-held provider of public pay telphone services which has been acquired by NYCOM.

Chrust, who has served on NYCOM's board of directors for the past three years, succeeds David A. Lyons as president, while Lyons continues as chairman and chief executive officer of NYCOM. Prior to joining Eastern, he was vice president of EXECUTONE Information Systems Inc., a telecommunications company in Darien, Conn.

Chrust also had a distinguished career as a securities analyst covering the telecommunications industry from 1972 until 1985 as Director of Technology Research while a partner at Sanford C. Bernstein & Co. Inc. While with Bernstein, INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR named Chrust to its ''All Star Team'' for telecommunications 11 times and he was ranked number one five consecutive years.

Chrust earned a B.S. in Economics from Baruch College, City University of New York. He resides in Stamford with his wife, Sharon, and two daughters.

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DENVER (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Gold Corp. (NASDAQ:USGL) Wednesday announced the sale of its White Pine gold property and related assets in White Pine County, Nev., to a privately held company for approximately $630,000 including $80,000 of debt forgiveness.

Proceeds from this sale are being held in a restricted account with the company's senior secured bank creditor. The company anticipates a pre-tax loss on the sale of approximately $2.5 million which will be recorded in the

third quarter, 1990, results of operations.

The company has operated White Pine since 1988 and produced a total of approximately 30,000 ounces of gold.

''The funding requirements necessary to exploit the very limited gold presently remaining at White Pine is too great considering the company's present financial position,'' said William W. Reid, president. ''Selling the property now also eliminates significant future financial obligations,'' said Reid.

U.S. Gold Corp. is a Denver-based gold mining company which owns the Tonkins Springs Gold Mine in Nevada and holds gold properties in other western states. The company is listed on the NASDAQ National Market.

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HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - United Technologies Corp. had record net income for the third quarter and nine months, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Robert F. Daniell announced Wednesday.

Net income for the quarter increased 22 percent to $239.8 million. Excluding gains from the sale of Italian automotive firms Diavia and Aura, earnings increased 7.5 percent. Net income in the same period a year earlier was $196.7 million.

Earnings per share for the quarter were $1.76 on a fully diluted basis, compared to $1.39 in the third quarter of 1989. Revenues for the quarter were approximately $5.3 billion, compared to $4.8 billion for the same quarter last year.

For the first nine months of the year, net income was $581.8 million, up approximately 12 percent from $517.7 million in 1989. Nine-month earnings per share were $4.30 compared with $3.84 in 1989, an increase of 12 percent.

''I am particularly pleased with the strength of our performance, especially in light of the poor economic environment and the weakness in the U.S. residential housing and automotive markets,'' said Daniell.

Total debt was reduced substantially during the quarter, from $4.2 billion on June 30 to $3.6 billion as of Sept. 30. ''We are on schedule with our working capital reduction program and continue to make impressive progress,'' said Daniell.

Operating results for all segments were strong in the quarter, with the

greatest improvement in Flight Systems units Sikorsky and Hamilton Standard. Flight Systems profits were $50 million, compared to a third quarter 1989 loss of $34 million.

Power segment operating income was $242 million, down $39 million from last year's third quarter, when Pratt & Whitney realized substantial one-time fee income from its engine program partners.

Operating profits for the Building Systems segment were $138 million, down $15 million from 1989's third quarter. Carrier's results were lower than last year, with strong European performance partially offsetting the weak North American residential market. Otis results were also lower in the quarter primarily because of Brazilian operations.

Industrial segment operating income was $65 million for the quarter, up $39 million from the prior year. The increase reflects the recent sale of the corporation's 75 percent interest in Diavia and Aura operations, which resulted in about a $46 million pre-tax gain in the quarter.

United Technologies provides a broad range of high-technology products and support services to the aerospace, building systems and automotive industries.

The Hartford-based corporation's best-known products include Pratt & Whitney aircraft engines, Carrier heating and air conditioning systems, Otis elevators and escalators, Sikorsky helicopters, Hamilton Standard aerospace systems, Norden defense systems and UT Automotive components and systems. Several UTC units supply equipment and services for the U.S. space program.

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WEST PALM BEACH, FL (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Flagler Bank Corp. (NASDAQ:FLGLA), parent of Flagler National Bank, announced Wednesday an 8 percent increase in third quarter earnings totaling $566,000 compared to last year's corresponding quarter figure of $522,000.

The net income figure for the third quarter of 1990 is the highest third quarter earnings in the Bank's history. Average assets for the quarter grew from $338,167,000 in 1989 to $359,967,000 in 1990 while average deposits increased 13 percent from $281,053,000 to $318,046,000 over the like period.

Earnings per share for the third quarter were 26 cents compared to last year's 23 cents. Book value per share reached $9.66 over last year's $9.16.

The Bank's loan portfolio continues to perform well, with net loans growing by

7.5 percent to $209,733,000 from $195,054,000 at the end of the third quarter in 1989. Non-performing loans at the end of the third quarter stood at $4,622,000, or 2.2 percent of loans outstanding.

Flagler National Bank is the largest independent bank in Palm Beach County operating 15 banking centers located throughout the eastern portion of the county.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Vencor Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:VCOR) Wednesday announced that a Registration Statement covering the offering of 1 million shares of its common stock at $10.50 per share has been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Of the total shares being offered, 900,000 shares are being sold by the Company; and 100,000 are being offered by certain selling shareholders. Vencor's proceeds of the offering will be used to reduce outstanding indebtedness, to acquire hospitals and for general corporate purposes.

Managing underwriters for the offering are Hambrecht & Quist Inc.; Prudential-Bache Capital Funding; Robertson, Stephens & Co. and J.C. Bradford & Co.

Vencor completed its initial public offering through the sale of 1.7 million shares of common stock in September 1989. The company specializes in providing long-term hospital care for patients who suffer from medically complex and catastrophic illness.

The company operates 11 hospitals located in Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana and Texas. Vencor's common shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol VCOR.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of the securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state. Copies of the Prospectus relating to the offering may be obtained from any of the managing underwriters.

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NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Telecom (NYSE:NT) and ALLTEL Corp. (NYSE:AT) have completed installation of the largest all DPN-100 digital data network in North America, the companies announced Wednesday.

The DPN-100 network, valued at more than $5 million, serves as the communications backbone for ALLTEL's corporate information systems.

''DPN-100 enables us to provide improved services and reliability at a savings to the corporation,'' said Andy Sills, vice president, information services, ALLTEL Corp. ''At the same time we've been able to seperate our backbone network from a dependence on the different computer vendors' protocols.''

Key to the ALLTEL data network implementation is DPN-100's extensive support for multiple transmission protocols, which allows ALLTEL to maintain IBM's Systems Network Architecture (SNA), SDLC, and asynchronous protocols as the basis for the company's data processing operations.

Using DPN-100 multihost transport service, more than 2,000 ALLTEL users have access to billing, accounts payable, customer service databases, electronic mail, and other mission-critical applications running on multiple host computers.

In addition, network reconfiguration and expansion can be performed dynamically, without disrupting existing services.

The ALLTEL DPN-100 data network includes four DPN-100/20 network data switches located at data centers in Little Rock, Ark.; Matthews, N.C.; Kittanning, Pa.; and Twinsburg, Ohio; and 114 DPN-100 access data switches in 74 locations.

ALLTEL Corp. provides telephone service to more than 1.1 million customers in 25 states, and has subsidiaries or investments in companies that provide cellular telephone, long distance, and information services, communications products, and other related services.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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AUBURN, ME (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Mid Maine Savings Bank announced Wednesday that the board of directors declared a $.10 dividend to be paid on Nov. 15, 1990 to stockholders of record as of Oct. 31, 1990.

The bank has declared dividends totaling $0.40 per share in 1990, a 21 percent increase over last year. Ralph L. Hodgkins Jr., president, stated: ''We are very pleased to have maintained our dividend level throughout the four quarters of 1990 in light of the eocnomic challenges that face our industry.''

Mid Maine has 1,380,000 shares of common stock outstanding. Its stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''MMSB.''

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Calgon Corp. of Pittsburgh has sued W.R. Grace of New York in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for infringement by its Dearborn Division of a United States patent covering the Calgon PAINT KILL and SURROUND technology.

Calgon is a leading corporation in water treatment and specialty chemical technology. Calgon's PAINT KILL and SURROUND technology has proven highly successful in paint spray booth applications.

The Calgon PAINT KILL and SURROUND technology is widely used to treat oversprayed paint in industrial and automotive wet spray paint booths. PAINT KILL and SURROUND products achieve superior water treatment and easy separation and recovery of overspray paint from circulating water systems used in spray booths.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - An AT&T executive Wednesday told a House subcommittee that thousands of AT&T long distance customers are being switched

to competing carriers without the consumers' authorization, a practice called ''slamming.''

Quoting from letters ''slamming'' victims have written to the company, Merrill Tutton, AT&T vice president for consumer services, told of an 86-year-old terminally ill Connecticut woman who said she and her daughter had their long distance service switched from AT&T to MCI without their approval.

Tutton said the woman received a telemarketing call asking if she'd like to sign up with MCI. ''She tells the representative that her daughter handles all of her business affairs,'' said Tutton. ''Shortly thereafter, she gets a letter from MCI and learns that she's been switched without her approval.''

Testifying before the House Subcommittee on Government Information, Justice and Agriculture, Tutton said the instances of ''slamming'' are not isolated. ''In the last six months alone, over 90,000 AT&T customers have told us that they were victims of 'slamming,''' he said.

In another case, Tutton said a Georgia couple wrote AT&T saying they received a telemarketing call telling them their long distance carrier was being changed.

''And I quote from their letter, 'The representative said this would be a mandatory change -- no ifs, ands or buts and that we as consumers had no control over it,''' said Tutton. He added: ''Consumers should have the right to choose their long distance company without being victimized by deceptive, fraudulent or unfair marketing practices.''

Tutton said AT&T's remedy for ''slamming'' was filed with the Federal Communications Commission in January. AT&T asked the FCC to change its rules to require that all long distance companies obtain written permission from customers before switching service.

The proposal has received the support of more than 30 national and state consumer groups, state commissions and state attorneys general.

AT&T believes that ''the surest and simplest way to ensure customer protection against slamming is to put control where it belongs -- in the hands of consumers,'' Tutton said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The High Yield Income Fund Inc. October

1990 Monthly Update.

Distribution Information

Amount	Payable Date	Record Date	Declaration Date
$.080	Nov. 16, 1990	Oct. 26, 1990	Oct. 15, 1990

Investment Adviser Commentary:

- The board of directors of the High Yield Income Fund declared on Oct. 15, 1990 a monthly distribution of $0.080 a share. In response to conditions in the high yield market earlier this year, the Fund's investment adviser took a defensive position and shifted a portion of its assets into higher quality, lower yielding securities.

This decision was aimed at preserving the Fund's assets and posturing the Fund for the long-term. As a result, the Fund's $0.080 dividend more accurately reflects the earnings potential of the Fund.

- The high yield market continued its downward slide. Persian Gulf tensions kept oil prices high. Fears of higher inflation and recession intensified as both consumer and producer prices rose sharply during the month.

- There have been more sellers than buyers in the market. The Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC) has sold almost $1 billion of securities this year. Mutual funds have been net sellers of bonds to cover redemptions and to increase cash positions as a defensive strategy. As a result, yield spreads in the First Boston High Yield index widened to 970 basis points over comparable maturity Treasuries during September, an all-time record.

The investment Adviser's near term outlook is cautious given very poor technical market conditions and weak economic fundamentals. However, the Adviser feels that when sellers like the RTC finally exit the market and the direction of the economy comes into sharper focus, the stronger credits in the high yield universe should prove to be a compelling value.

Performance Update

	Sept. 28	Aug. 31	Jul. 27
NAV per share	$ 6.59	$ 6.81	$ 7.31
Price per share	$ 5.38	$ 5.38	$ 6.86

Portfolio Databank (As of Oct. 15, 1990)

Top 5 Holdings ($ Millions)		Quality Breakdown	
Kroger	$ 3.3	B	75.00 pct
SCI Holdings	$ 3.3	BA	6.90 pct
Hospital Corp. of			

America	$ 3.2	CAA	5.10 pct
RJR	$ 3.1	Not rated	4.30 pct
BT Acquisitions	$ 2.8	Cash	8.70 pct

Yield to Maturity: 15.89 pct Net assets (millions): $ 61

General Overview

The High Yield Income Fund Inc. is a closed-end management investment company whose primary investment objective is to maximize current income to shareholders.

The fund will attempt to achieve this objective primarily through investment in a diversified portfolio of high-yield, fixed-income securities.

The Fund's Manager is Prudential Mutual Fund Management Inc. and investment advisory services are provided by the Prudential Investment Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Prudential Insurance Company of America.

Additional information on the Fund's assets and performance is contained in the Quarterly Report for the period ended June 30, 1990. For further information on the Fund, call 212/214-3334.

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KENOSHA, WI (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Snap-on Tools Corp. Wednesday announced that third quarter net earnings improved 8.0 percent and were 61 cents per share, compared with 57 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989.

Net sales increased 7.2 percent for the same period.

Net earnings were $25.2 million on net sales of $227.9 million, compared with year-ago earnings of $23.4 million on sales of $212.6 million.

For the first nine months, net earnings were $83.5 million, or $2.03 per share compared with $82 million, or $2 per share.

Net sales were $707.8 million compared with $671.1 million, an increase of 5.5 percent.

Snap-on Tools Corp. (NYSE:SNA) manufactures and distributes hand and air-powered tools, electronic equipment, and tool storage units for professional mechanics.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - American Fructose Corp. (ASE-AFC) reported net income of $8,650,000, or 92 cents per share, for the quarted ended Sept. 30, compared to $8,059,000, or 84 cents per share, in 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, was $19,640,000, or $2.06 per share, compared to $19,688,000, or $2.05 per share, 1989.

Net sales for the current quarter were $57,737,000 compared to $52,189,000 in 1989. Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, were $151,010,000 compared to $149,653,000 a year ago.

The principal reason for the improvement in the quarter was higher unit sales volumes of high fructose corn syrup.

AMERICAN FRUCTOSE CORP.
Third Quarter
Statement of earnings
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 57,737	$ 52,189	$151,010	$149,653
Income before taxes	$ 13,678	$ 12,858	$ 31,499	$ 31,370
Income taxes	(5,028)	(4,799)	(11,859)	(11,682)
Net income	$ 8,650	$ 8,059	$ 19,640	$ 19,688
Earnings per share of common stock:	$ .92	$ .84	$ 2.06	$ 2.05
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	9,383,049	9,598,913	9,532,509	9,583,525

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation reported Wednesday third-quarter earnings per share of $.77, down 7.2 percent from $.83 a year ago.

Net income in the third quarter was down 10.0 percent to $139,729,000 from $155,258,000 a year ago. The percentage decline in D&B's third-quarter

earnings per share was less than the decline in net income because the company's share repurchase program resulted in a reduction in the average number of shares outstanding.

Third-quarter operating revenue increased 11.2 percent to $1,159,582,000 from $1,042,416,000 a year ago. Adjusted for the impact of the acquisition of Management Science America (MSA) in December 1989, and the sale of Zytron and Neodata Services, revenue growth for the quarter was about 6 percent.

Third-quarter operating costs, selling expenses and administrative expenses increased to $937,470,000 from $821,412,000, in part due to the impact of the acquisition of MSA, repositioning actions at U.S. Credit Services, and accelerated investment at Nielsen Marketing Research.

Operating income in the third quarter of 1990 was $222,112,000, essentially unchanged from $221,004,000 a year ago.

Dun & Bradstreet's reported financial results reflect the third-quarter sale of Zytron and Neodata Services, as well as other actions to restructure certain operations and businesses, and to reduce costs and increase operating efficiencies. The pre-tax costs associated with these restructuring actions essentially offset a pre-tax gain of $77 million on the sale of Zytron and Neodata Services.

As a result, D&B's third-quarter 1990 earnings per share were not affected materially. The restructuring actions taken by the company include the discontinuance of certain product lines at IMS International; the reorganization of certain operations at IMS and American Credit Indemnity; and the integration of McCormack & Dodge (M&D) and MSA into a new division, Dun & Bradstreet Software.

The company reported third-quarter non-operating expense--net of $15,412,000, compared with non-operating income--net of $14,620,000 a year ago. Third-quarter non-operating expense--net resulted from a number of factors, including lower income from marketable securities, higher interest expense, higher goodwill amortization and the absence of benefits from tax-sharing agreements with an Alaska Native Corporation.

As a result of the continuing impact of global tax- planning actions, the company's tax rate in the third quarter was 32.4 percent, compared with a rate of 34.1 percent in the third quarter a year ago.

Dun & Bradstreet said the company's third-quarter results were in line with its expectations and that it continues to anticipate that 1990 earnings per share will be in the range of $2.80 per share.

Factors expected to hold down next year's performance include the impact of adverse economic conditions on Dun & Bradstreet businesses, already being most

heavily experienced at Donnelley Directory; continued price competition and an anticipated high level of investment expenditures in Nielsen Marketing Research for the development of new technologies and services; the ongoing impact of a step-up in operating costs at U.S. Credit Services as a result of repositioning actions implemented during the past 12 months, coupled with 1991 revenue growth below the company's long-term expectations for the division; and the impact on IMS of competitive conditions in the U.S. market and costs associated with maintaining IMS' leadership position.

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MONTGOMERY, AL (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - First Alabama Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:FABC) Wednesday announced record earnings for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Third quarter net income of $18,227,000, or 56 cents per share, was the highest quarterly earnings in the company's history. Third quarter earnings increased 15 percent over the same period last year. Record year-to-date earnings totaled $51,280,000, or $1.56 per share, a 10 percent increase over the first nine months of 1989.

Year-to-date return on average total assets was 1.27 percent and return on average stockholders' equity was 13.70 percent. At quarter-end the ratio of stockholders' equity to total assets was 8.44 percent.

During the third quarter, First Alabama reached several milestones in size. For the first time ever, assets exceeded $6 billion, deposits totaled over $5 billion and loans surpassed the $4 billion mark. The acquisition of approximately $600 million in deposits from two failed Alabama thrift institutions contributed to this growth.

First Alabama Bancshares Inc. is a multi-bank holding company providing banking services from 177 offices and bank-related services in the fields of mortgage banking, travel, credit-related insurance and securities brokerage.

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CORALVILLE, IOWA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Heartland Express Inc. announced Wednesday third-quarter operating results as follows:

	Three Months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$16,166,131	$11,922,731
Net income	2,029,114	1,554,858
Earnings per share	$0.41	$0.31
Average shares outstanding	5,000,000	5,000,000

	Nine Months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$45,976,456	$36,209,177
Net income	5,645,896	4,563,399
Earnings per share	$1.13	$0.91
Average shares outstanding	5,000,000	5,000,000

Heartland's operating revenue for the third quarter of 1990 increased 35.6 percent compared to the same period of 1989. Net income increased 30.5 percent from $1,554,858 reported the third quarter of 1989 to $2,029,114 the third quarter of 1990.

Earnings per share increased from 31 cents per share to 41 cents per share for the compared period.

Year-to-date 1990, Heartland revenues have grown 27 percent compared to the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the compared periods increased 23.7 percent. Earnings per share for the first nine months of 1990 increased to $1.13 per share compared to 91 cents for the same period in 1989.

The company is near completion of the announced 53-foot trailer conversion and conversion of the company tractor fleet to cabover units. The truck stop facility purchased adjacent to Heartland's corporate offices is in the final stages of completion.

At the end of the third quarter Heartland Express remained debt free. The company continues to project the fleet conversion to be made from cash on hand and cash flow.

Heartland Express Inc., is the parent company of Heartland Express Inc., of Iowa, an irregular-route truckload motor carrier with principal markets within the central and southeastern United States. The company became publicly traded in November of 1986.

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WILMINGTON, CA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Vector Aeromotive Corp.

(NASDAQ:VCAR) announced Wednesday that the company has received deposits against the orders of VECTOR W8 TwinTurbo supercars.

These new orders are valued at between $1.75 million and $2 million, subject to final delivery prices. Increased delivery rates are anticipated during the company's fiscal first quarter, ended Dec. 31.

The current backlog of orders will carry through the first quarter of 1991. Vector Aeromotive has also announced that the VECTOR W8 will undergo a price increase, effective Oct. 17, from the current base price of $250,000 to $283,750.

''Recent additions to the company's sales and marketing staff have permitted us to focus our energies on fulfilling sales objectives for the 200-plus MPH all-American VECTOR,'' said Gerald A. Wiegert, the company's chairman and founder.

''Now that we are in production, the delivery of VECTOR No.001 this past September and D.O.T. and safety testing is behind us, and emissions certifications are nearing completion before year end, we are gratified that our current backlog provides us with an aggressive start for 1991.''

The American-made VECTOR supercar competes in the same price category with the three liter Ferrari F40 and five liter Lamborghini Diablo. The VECTOR, designed and engineered to ''mil-spec'' quality standards, has an aerospace manufactured monocoque chassis that is epoxy bonded and riveted with aircraft fasteners.

The powerplant is a Vector designed TwinTurbo six liter V-8 engine that generates over 600 horsepower, based on confirmed dynamometer tests.

Vector Aeromotive Corp. is headquartered in Wilmington, Calif., near the Port of Los Angeles.

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NEW MILFORD, CONN. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - NewMil Bancorp announced earnings of $.01 million, for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.01 million and earnings of $.20 per share for the same period a year ago.

On Sept. 18, the company announced that it would increase its loan loss reserve by $1.2 million in response to regulatory concerns. This provision effectively offsets income for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

New Milford Savings Bank currently operates twelve banking offices which serve Northwestern Connecticut.

NewMil Bancorp
Financial Highlights
3 Months Ending

	Sept. 30 1990	Sept. 30 1989
Assets	$ 458,991,000	$ 526,492,000
Provision for loan losses	1,200,000	45,000
Loan loss reserve	2,423,000	1,269,000
Net income	$ 12,000	$ 1,013,000
Earnings per share	$ .00	$ .20

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MUNDELEIN, IL (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Bio-logic Systems Corp. (NASDAQ:BLSC) a designer and marketer of computerized medical electrodiagnostic equipment, Wednesday announced that its board of directors had authorized the company to purchase up to 100,000 shares of its common stock.

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ORLANDO, FL (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T and Kokusai Denshin Denwa (KDD) of Japan announced in Orlando Wednesday they have been conducting feasibility studies for constructing new transpacific cable systems using 2.4 gigabits per second (2.4 billion bits per second) optical amplifier technology, which they are now developing.

The proposed cable systems, connecting Japan and the U.S. mainland, would use state-of-the-art optical amplifier technology. The cable systems would have multiple fiber pairs operating at a rate of 2.4 gigabits, eight times the capacity of currently installed fiber-optic cables.

The new cable network system will enable international carriers to provide up-to-date telecommunications services of the highest quality, along with the added value of increased reliability of the Pacific cable network. The cable system is planned to meet customers' requirements for service and diversity.

The first new optical amplifier telecommunications cable system (TPC-5) is anticipated to be in service in 1996. A follow on cable system (TPC-6) is expected to provide the ability to restore service from one cable onto another cable thereby improving restoration arrangements for the existing Pacific Cable System.

Optical amplifiers -- segments of optical fiber containing the rate earth element erbium -- boosts lightwave signals without first converting them to electrons and back to light, as is done in conventional systems.

In lightwave communications systems, information is carried as pulses of light instead of electrical pulses. A light source, usually a laser, launches pulses of light down a hair-thin glass fiber, turning on and off to represent the ones and zeroes of digitized information.

As they travel through the fiber, the light pulses broaden and lose their shape and need to be regenerated or amplified every forty miles or so.

In an optically amplified system, the signals get a boost as they pass through spliced-in segments of fiber containing erbium. The optical amplifiers are pumped by semiconductor lasers that energize the signals as they pass through the fiber.

Optical amplifiers can handle various bit rates and modulation formats. Unlike electronic repeaters, which have to be replaced if the bit rate or modulation is changed, optical amplifiers can handle varying system configurations.

The world's first transoceanic lightwave system, TAT-8, went into service in 1988 and has a capacity of 40,000 simultaneous telephone calls. TAT-9, to be deployed in 1991, will handle 80,000 simultaneous calls.

Both use state of the art conventional technology, with electronic repeaters that convert photons (light pulses) to electrons and back every 40 mto 60 miles.

A new fiber-optic cable would have a capacity of 600,000 simultaneous conversations using optical amplifiers and operating at 2.4 gigabits (billion bits per second) over two pairs of fibers and using conventional compression techniques.

AT&T Bell Laboratories scientists are experimenting with optical amplifiers in ultra-long-distance systems and in systems for island-to-island or

coast-to-coast transmission. Related research involves high-repetition lasers pump lasers, all-optical logic elements, integrated optical waveguide devices and new types of optical fiber.

Since May of this year, AT&T Microelectronics has been marketing three benchtop models of Bell Labs-designed terrestrial erbium-doped amplifiers to commercial customers and has also developed custom models.

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PALATINE, IL (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Square D Co. Wednesday reported increases in sales, net earnings and net earnings per share for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with the same 1989 periods.

Jerre L. Stead, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said 1990 third quarter sales increased 6.2 percent to $428.6 million. He said net earnings were $31.9 million, an increase of 3.9 percent over $30.7 million a year earlier, and that net earnings per share were $1.30 or 4.8 percent higher than $1.24 in 1989.

On a fully diluted basis, net earnings per share increased 5.9 percent to $1.26 from the $1.19 of a year ago.

Earnings per share from continuing operations of $1.30 were up 4.0 percent from $1.25 a year earlier, and on a fully diluted basis, earnings of $1.26 increased 5.0 percent over the $1.20 of 1989. He said operating earnings in the third quarter were $50.8 million, compared with $54.5 million in the year-ago period.

Operating earnings in the domestic industrial control business declined due to increased product development costs, lower sales of automation and power protection products and continued investments to accelerate growth of the technical services division.

Stead said that third quarter non-operating income was higher than the same period last year due to increased investment income on the proceeds from the divestiture of a business earlier this year.

Stead said that for the first nine months of 1990, Square D sales were $1.22 billion, compared to $1.21 billion in 1989 and net earnings of $93.3 million increased 3.0 percent over the $90.5 million a year earlier. Net earnings per share were $3.80, up 5.3 percent from the $3.61 of 1989. Fully diluted net earnings per share were $3.65, up 2.8 percent over the $3.55 of 1989.

For the 9-month period, earnings from continuing operations were $89.2 million compared to $90.2 million last year. Earnings per share from continuing operations were $3.62, up slightly from $3.60 in 1989. On a fully diluted basis, earnings per share from continuing operations were $3.49, compared to $3.54 last year.

Stead pointed out that 1989 third quarter and 9-month results were restated to reflect treatment of General Semiconductor Industries (GSI) as a discontinued operation effective in the 1990 second quarter.

The average number of Square D shares outstanding for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was 23,269,000 shares, 7.2 percent less than the 25,074,000 for the year-earlier period.

Square D is a worldwide leader in industrial control and electrical distribution products, systems,and services and had 1989 sales from continuing operations of $1.60 billion.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Jim Hjelm's Private Collection Ltd. (OTC), a manufacturer and marketer of fine quality wedding apparel, said Wednesday earnings rose 62 percent to a record $83,048, or 3 cents per share, compared to earnings of $51,216, or 3 cents per share for the fiscal third quarter ended July 31.

Revenues for the period rose 33 percent to a record $1,351,504 compared to $1,017,146 a year ago.

For the nine months ended July 31, earnings rose 67 percent to a record $266,310, or 10 cents per share, compared to earnings of $158,790, or 8 cents per share, for the like period a year ago. Revenues for the period rose 33 percent to a record $3,662,886 compared to $2,760,467 a year ago.

Jim Hjelm, president and chief executive, said third quarter sales and earnings were attributable primarily to growing demand for the company's Private Collection, J.H. and bridesmaids lines.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - American Oil and Gas Corp. (AMEX:AOG) Wednesday announced that its wholly-owned gas pipeline subsidiary, American Pipeline Co. (APC), has signed an agreement with Big Three Industrial Gas Inc. (Big Three) and Ladd Petroleum Corp. (Ladd) pursuant to which APC will transfer to Big Three and third party gas supplier(s) all of its interest in a 17 mile pipeline system located in Harris County, Texas.

The system supplies gas to Big Three and others. Under the agreement, APC and Ladd will transfer and be relieved of all contractual obligations to supply or transport gas to Big Three, and Ladd will transfer to AOG 513,310 shares of outstanding AOG common stock currently owned by Ladd.

AOG intends to retire the stock, which represents approximately three percent of AOG's outstanding shares. Closing of the transaction is expected prior to Nov. 30.

American Oil and Gas Corp. is engaged primarily in the natural gas gathering, transporation and marketing business.

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BROOKFIELD, WIS. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The following is a letter to shareholders from Payco American Corp. (NASDAQ:PAYC) Chairman of the Board Dennis G. Punches and President and Chief Executive Officer William A. Inglehart.

Dear Shareholder:

Payco American Corp. has just completed its third quarter with another strong advancement in quarterly profits.

Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, was $1,488,000, for a 35 percent incerase compared to the same period in the prior year.

This 1990 improvement in profitability is primarily attributable to continued improvement in our profit margins combined with a 12 percent increase in revenue for the first nine months of 1990. During this same year-to-date time frame, the company's margin on income from operations improved to 8.4 percent

compared to 7.1 percent for the nine month period of the prior year.

The operating margin continues to improve for a variety of reasons including the benefits of the Payco Automated Collection System (PACS). PACS is the company's on-line, real-time computer system which assists, monitors and directs our collection effort. Also contributing to our increase in profits and operating margins was expense control resulting from the company's continued ability to leverage its fixed data processing and occupancy costs as well as improvement in our employee's productivity.

Accounts received for collection were $1.9 billion for the first nine months of 1990. This placement level represents a 14 percent increase compared to the prior year. Placements received for the third quarter of 1990 reflected a modest 4 percent increase over the prior year. The increase in these third quarter placements was less than the trend of increases experienced in the first half of 1990.

During the first six months of 1990, the company received $125 million of accounts for collection under a multi-year contract with a major hospital corporation. This contract effectively expired on June 30, 1990, and consequently, no comparable placements of accounts have been received during the third quarter.

As previously announced, the company declared a 2-for-1 stock split effected in the form of a stock dividend. Each shareholder of record as of the close of business on July 13, received one share of common stock for each common share held.

We remain optimistic about the company's success throughout the balance of 1990. Attached to this letter is a detailed presentation of both the third quarter and year-to-date operations.

Very truly yours,

Dennis G. Punches
President and Chief Executive Officer

William A. Inglehart
Chairman of the Board

Income Statements - Payco American Corp.
(000s omitted except income per share)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Accounts received for collection	$ 559,000	$ 540,000	$1,882,000	$1,647,000
Operating revenue	26,545	24,302	81,075	72,100
Operating expenses before depreciation and amortization	22,963	21,467	70,590	63,690

Depreciation and amortization	1,268	1,113	3,682	3,290
Total operating expenses	24,231	22,580	74,272	66,980
Income from operations	2,314	1,722	6,803	5,120
Other income (expense)	130	118	459	298
Income before income taxes	2,444	1,840	7,262	5,418
Provision for income taxes	956	740	2,927	2,204
Net income	$ 1,488	$ 1,100	$ 4,335	$ 3,214
Net income per share(a)	15 cents	11 cents	43 cents	32 cents

Note (a): The 1989 earnings per share have been restated to reflect the July 13, 1990, stock dividend which had the effect of a 2-for-1 split.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Baker & Hostetler, Counsellors at Law, and Amsterdam & Peroff, Barristers and Solicitors, of Toronto, Wednesday announced a collaboration to share expertise and work together on transactions and litigation to better serve the needs of their clients in international transactions involving the United States and Canada.

Clients of one firm desiring to take advantage of this arrangement will be offered access to the other firm's resources, expertise and facilities. This arrangement is not a partnership or joint venture, rather it is a coordination of efforts to enhance the abilities of both firms to better serve their clients' needs.

Baker & Hostetler and Amsterdam & Peroff have worked together for some time on a variety of matters and projects for many clients. This relationship is a natural outgrowth of that working relationship between the firms.

Baker & Hostetler is a 75-year old United States firm with 500 attorneys practicing in Cleveland and Columbus, Ohio; Los Angeles and Long Beach, Calif.; Washington, D.C.; Denver; Orlando, Fla.; and Houston.

It is a full-service national law firm whose practice covers the traditional business and corporate, litigation, employment law and benefits, and tax areas

as well as focuses on trade regulation, legislative and government relations, intellectual property (especially licensing, protection and enforcement issues), bankruptcy and commercial, food and drug, environmental and admiralty law.

In addition, the firm is recognized for its national and international service to clients in the media and communications, real estate, oil and gas, sports, and health care industries.

Amsterdam & Peroff is a Canadian firm with six lawyers established in 1980 and headquartered in Toronto. The firm's practice is devoted to servicing financial institutions, multinational organizations, large accounting firms, franchisors, and clients in the investigation and security and computer software industries.

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ALBANY, NY (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - KeyCorp reported Wednesday that net income for the first nine months of 1990 rose 10.0% to $110.7 million, up from $100.6 million during the same period in 1989. This was equivalent to $2.59 per common share, up 10.7% from the $2.34 reported a year earlier.

Net income was $37.2 million for the third quarter of the year, an increase of 2.8% over net income of $36.1 million for the same period in 1989. Earnings per common share were $.87 for the quarter, an increase of 2.4% over the $.85 reported in the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings per share have risen at a faster rate than net income during 1990 due to the retirement of preferred stock in the third quarter of 1989.

There was an average of 42.2 million common shares outstanding for the first nine months of 1990 compared to 41.7 million during the same period in 1989.

Return on average common equity was reported as 14.63% for the first nine months of 1990, and 14.22% for the third quarter. For the same periods in 1989, return on average common equity was 14.39% and 15.18%, respectively.

Return on average total assets for the first nine months of 1990 was .94%, which is up from .92% for the first nine months of 1989; this same ratio was .90% in the third quarter, down from .97% reported in the third quarter last

year.

William H. Dougherty, executive vice president and chief financial officer commented on several aspects of KeyCorp's performance for the third quarter, ''Net interest income for the quarter was $176.2 million, up 9.5% from $160.9 million in the same quarter a year ago.

KeyCorp (NYSE:KEY) with assets in excess of $20 billion is a multi-regional bank holding company headquartered in Albany, New York. It has focused its banking expansion activities in the Northeast and Northwest. Pursuing a middle market target, KeyCorp has concentrated its resources in cities and smaller communities of the northern tier of states, thus avoiding overcrowded marketplaces and single industry loan exposure.

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Pancho's Mexican Buffet Inc. (NASDAQ:PAMX) had net earnings of $909,950, or 21 cents per share, on revenues of $19,291,416 for its fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net earnings of $712,206, or 15 cents per share, on revenues of $17,954,918 for the same period 1989, Hollis Taylor, president and chief executive officer, announced Wednesday.

Net earnings for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $2,619,643, or 57 cents per share, compared to net earnings of $3,049,514, or 63 cents per share for fiscal 1989.

''Our commitment to improve profit margins was evident during the fourth quarter, as we achieved a 29 percent increase in net earnings over fourth quarter last year,'' Taylor said. ''We will continue this concentration on existing restaurant margins in fiscal 1991. Our present plans are to build from four to six new restaurants in the coming year, two of which are under construction at this time -- in Amarillo and Albuquerque,'' he added.

Taylor also announced that Pancho's annual meeting of stockholders will be held at the company's restaurant located at 1201 W. Airport Freeway, Euless, Texas, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 16, 1991.

The company has completed repurchase of 521,128 shares of the company's common stock at a total cost of $3,271,982 ($6.28 per share). Book value as of Sept. 30 was $7.75, Taylor said.

Pancho's currently operates 64 restaurants in seven states -- from New Orleans to Phoenix/Tucson and north to Colorado, Oklahoma and Arkansas.

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RACINE, WIS. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - At a Modine Manufacturing Co. board of directors meeting Wednesday, the board declared a regular quarterly dividend of 17 cents per common share, payable Dec. 7 to shareholders of record Nov. 27.

Modine has paid quarterly dividends continually since 1959.

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TAMPA, FL (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:SDOT) has begun the predisturbance survey of its second ancient shipwreck site.

The site is 1,200 feet deep, approximately 50 miles east of St. Augustine, Fla. The survey is being conducted in a joint effort with Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institution, using Harbor Branch's Johnson Sea-Link submarine launched from the R.V. Edwin Link.

The predisturbance survey consists of creating a photomosaic record of the entire wreck site by taking photos every few feet and piecing them together. Such a survey shows scholars how the site looked before any excavation was initiated.

Once the entire wreck site has been photographically logged, the survey team will recover a small number of artifacts from the site to study in preparation for full recovery efforts next year. The team is hoping that the recovery of one of the ship's cannons will eventually lead to early identification of the vessel.

Meanwhile, Seahawk continues excavation of its first site, a colonial Spanish galleon 1,500 feet deep, in international waters about 60 miles southwest of Key West, Fla. Excavation on that site has yielded thousands of artifacts including 22 gold bars, hundreds of silver coins, jewelry, three mariners' astrolabes and a plate with the Papal Seal.

The company believes that the Papal plate will be a major key in naming the ship. Seahawk's researchers are continuing to search the archives in Seville, Spain for answers.

Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology Inc. is the first treasure hunting company traded on the NASDAQ Stock Market.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation announced today that John P. Imlay, Jr., chairman and principal executive officer of Dun & Bradstreet Software, has been elected a corporate senior vice president.

Effective January 1, 1991, Volney Taylor, executive vice president and a director of the corporation, will become chairman of a new, worldwide business entity, Dun & Bradstreet Information Services.

In his role as an executive vice president of the corporation, Taylor will continue to have responsibility for Moody's Investors Service. Until their divestiture, plans for which have previously been announced, Taylor will also continue to have responsibility for Datastream and Interactive Data Corporation.

Taylor and Imlay will report to Robert E. Weissman, president and chief operating officer.

Dun & Bradstreet also announced that James E. Rutter, an executive vice president of the corporation, will retire as planned after the first of the year.

The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation is the world's largest marketer of business-information and related services, with worldwide operating revenue of $4.3 billion in 1989.

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FAIR LAWN, NJ (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The industry's highest capacity 12-inch optical storage disk, with a total capacity of 7 Gigabytes (or 3.5 GB per side), has been introduced by Maxell Corp. of America.

The now WORM optical disk (Write Once Read Many times) is designed to operate with Hitachi's newly introduced OD-321 optical drive.

At the same time, Maxell announced that the company has doubled the optical disk manufacturing capacity of its Tsukuba plant in Japan, moving up by six months the company's expansion plans.

According to Dave Berry, Maxell's manager of new product development, ''We are making substantial investments on improving our already extensive R&D facilities in Tsukuba, as well as our state-of-the-art production facility which is now probably one of the most contaminant-free and technically advanced in the industry.

''We are making these long-term commitments because the future is bright for all types of optical technologies,'' Berry said. ''We are presently making substantial strides toward development of even larger capacities for both WORM and rewriteable optical disks.''

Describing the newly-announced 7-GB disk product, Berry said, ''The new model OC 321-2 disk will provide superior capabilities for most archival applications, because it features several major design improvements.''

The new WORM disk features a smaller track pitch from 1.6 to 1.5 microns in use of the zoned CAV (constant angular velocity) recording method ''to pack more data into the outside tracks in relation to the inside tracks.''

In addition, Berry indicated that the operational speed has been increased from 600 to 1,000 rpm resulting in a higher data transfer rate. In previous models, the data transfer rate was 440 KB/s. For the new disk, this has been more than double to 1.2 to 2.2 MB/sec. Also, the new disks employ a new pit-edge detection method of recording, making each disk pit 1.7 times higher capacity than previous disks which used the pit-position method or recording where each pit was one bit.

Production and shipment of the new disks is scheduled for first quarter 1991; pricing will be approximately one-third higher for the new media which have a capacity almost three times Maxell's earlier 2.6 GB disks.

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LITTLE ROCK, AK (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - First Commercial Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:FCLR) announced Wednesday the First Commercial Mortgage Co. has been recognized as one of the 16 top mortgage banking companies nationwide.

The ranking, which was produced by ICM Consultants, rated mortgage banking companies in terms of overall 1989 financial performance. ICM Consultants is the publisher of the ICM Journal, a widely-followed publication which covers the U.S. mortgage banking industry.

Principal financial indicators used by ICM to arrive at the top mortgage banking companies are return on equity, cash flow as a percentage of net worth pretax profits per employee, and operating profits per employee.

FCC also reported earnings for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990. FCC's earnings of 60 cents per share in 1990's third quarter were up 20 percent from 50 cents reported for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, FCC earned $1.77 per share, 17.2 percent above 1989's $1.51.

Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $5.7 million, up 22.1 percent from $4.7 million in 1989's third quarter. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net income was $16.8 million in 1990, 17.7 percent above 1989's $14.2 million. All historical per share results have been restated to reflect FCC's recent 8 percent stock dividend.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $2.107 billion, 20.3 percent above $1.751 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. Total loans and leases, net of unearned income, increased 15.7 percent from

$1.029 billion at Sept. 30, 1989, to $1.190 billion. Total deposits rose 21.7 percent from $1.546 billion at Sept. 30, 1989, to $1.882 billion at Sept. 30, 1990.

Contributing to the balance sheet increases were the acquisition of Home Federal Savings and Loan Association (now First Commercial Bank, N.A.) of Memphis, Tenn., by FCC and the acquisition of Landmark Savings Bank of Hot Springs, Ark., by two FCC affiliate banks. Both acquisitions were accounted for as purchase transactions.

First Commercial Mortgage Co. is the largest Arkansas-based mortgage banking company and ranks among the top 150 mortgage companies nationwide as measured by size of servicing portfolio.

First Commercial common stock is traded through the National Market System of NASDAQ under the trading symbol ''FCLR.''

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - MOCON (Modern Controls Inc.) (NASDAQ:MOCO) Wednesday announced record third quarter sales and earnings for the period ending Sept. 30.

Sales rose 16 percent to a record $2,933,000 compared to $2,525,000 for the third quarter of 1989, and were ahead of second quarter 1990 sales of $2,788,000. Net income increased to an all-time high of $641,000, compared to $555,000 for the third quarter of 1989, and $594,000 during the second quarter of 1990.

Earnings per share increased 17 percent for the third quarter to an all-time high of 20 cents per share, compared to 17 cents a share during the third quarter in 1989, and 19 cents during the second quarter of 1990.

On Aug. 14, the Board of Directors declared a three-for-two stock split which was paid in the form of a stock dividend on Sept. 28, for shareholders of record on Sept. 7. The effect of this stock split has been retroactively applied in the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statement information.

MOCON is a leading developer, manufacturer and marketer of high technology instrumentation designed to test packages and packaging materials for permeation of gases and water vapor. The Company also has a new line of thickness gauging systems used to measure plastics and coatings on and off the production line.

MOCON testing instrumentation is used in quality control and research laboratories in the food and pharmaceutical industries, to test plastic packaging materials for cost effective protection against loss of color, flavor, fragrance, texture, potency and freshness.

The Company also manufactures weighing and sorting instrumentation that helps the pharmaceutical industry maintain the rigid weight tolerances needed in producing drugs in capsule and tablet form.

MOCON's shares are traded over-the-counter and are listed on the NASDAQ National Market System. The Company's electronic NASDAQ trading symbol is MOCO.

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EDISON, NJ (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Dataflex Corporation (NASDAQ: DFLX)

Wednesday reported record second quarter financial results for the three month period ending September 30, 1990.

	Quarter Ended		Six Months Ended	
	09/30/90	09/30/89	09/30/90	09/30/89
Total Revenue	$19,141,000	$19,204,000	$37,613,000	$36,806,000
Net Income	863,000	594,000	1,637,000	1,127,000
Earnings Per Common and Equivalent Share	$0.26	$0.24	$0.49	$0.46
Common Shares Outstanding	3,322,000	2,464,000	3,322,000	2,464,000

The Company said that revenues from higher margin, non-hardware sources were $1,078,000 for the recent three months versus $489,000 for the same period last year, an increase of 120%. Year-to-date, such revenues were $2,064,000 versus $1,299,000, a 59% increase. Hardware revenues were $18,013,000 in the latest quarter versus $18,654,000 for the same quarter last year. Year-to-date, hardware sales were $35,441,000 versus $35,384,000.

Overall, the gross profit margin increased to 17.1% in the latest quarter from 13.4% in the year-ago quarter. Year-to-date, the gross profit margin increased to 16.9% from 13.3%. The net profit margin for the recent quarter increased to 4.5% from 3.1%. Year-to-date, the net profit margin was 4.4% versus 3.1%.

''We will continue our strategy to make Dataflex even more profitable by exploring areas that will further broaden our product and service offerings,'' Mr. Rose stated.

Dataflex Corporation markets and services a wide selection of personal computers and computer peripheral equipment to end users. Its MainsiteTM program provides institutions with a full-time, on-site maintenance staff, including spare parts and replacement units. Current MainsiteTM installations range in size from 1,000 to over 10,000 pieces of equipment.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Ranger Oil Limited, as Operator, announces United Kingdom Department of Energy approval of its Annex B submittal for development of the Anglia offshore gas field in the Southern Gas Basin.

The Anglia Field is scheduled to commence production of 50 million cubic feet of gas per day in December 1991. Initially, gas will be sold under short term sales contracts.

Long term gas sales are intended for a separate Ranger-operated project, Anglia Power and Gas (''APAG''), a 350-450 megawatt gas-fired electrical generating plant planned at Great Yarmouth, with startup targeted for October 1993.

Participating interests in the Anglia Field are:

Ranger Oil (U.K.) Limited	35.628 Percent
Conoco Developments Limited	31.250 Percent
Elf Oil and Gas Limited	16.460 Percent
Amerada Hess Limited	12.830 Percent
Triton Resources (U.K.) Limited	3.832 Percent

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BRAINTREE, Mass. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Bank of Braintree (NASDAQ/NMS BTSB) announced a net loss of $2,492,000 or $1.59 per share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to net income of $194,000 or $0.13 per share for the same period in 1989.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 the bank had a net loss of $2,187,000 or $1.40 per share, compared to net income of $852,000 or $0.55 per share a year ago.

The bank's loan loss provision, including the 3rd quarter provision of $3,000,000 was $3,950,000 for the first nine months of 1990, compared to $450,000 for the first nine months of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990 $1,998,000 has been charged off to the allowance for loan losses, compared to $294,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

After these charge-offs the bank's loan loss reserve totaled $3,240,000 or 2.70 percent of gross loans at Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $1,033,000 or .80 percent of gross loans at Sept. 30, 1989.

Non-performing assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $9,238,000 or 5.22 percent of total assets compared to $5,319,000 or 2.94 percent of total of total assets compared to $5,319,000 or 2.94 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1989 and $7,007,000 or 3.85 percent of total assets at June 30, 1990. Included in non-performing assets at Sept. 30, 1990 was other real estate owned of $2,548,000.

The third quarter loan loss provision takes into consideration a recently completed field portion of a Massachusetts Commmissioner of Banks regulatory examination, and management's assessment of additional unallocated reserve requirements in light of the continuing deterioration in the local real estate market. The total loan loss reserve to total nonperforming loans now stands at 48.4 percent.

According to Winthrop Sargent IV, chairman and chief executive officer, ''We do not believe that we have seen the floor to the New England real estate market. For this reason, we have increased our unallocated reserve for loan losses over and above recommended levels.''

After the additional provision for loan losses and the resulting net loss for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the Bank of Braintree will still have a strong capital/asset ratio of 10.87 percent. Sargent also said that ''There are no plans at this time to reduce or eliminate the regular quarterly dividend.'' T

Bank of Braintree Financial Highlights Nonperforming assets were as follows:

	9/30/90	9/30/89	6/30/89
Nonaccrual loans:			
Commercial Business and commercial real estate	$4,107	$5,182	$1,645
Other	663	137	0
Total	4,770	5,319	1,645
Renegotiated/compromised real estate loans	1,920	0	2,272
Other real estate owned	2,548	0	2,785
Discretionary nonperforming	0	0	305
Total	9,238	5,319	7,007
Nonperforming loans as a percent of gross loans:	5.58%	4.14%	3.49%
Nonperforming loans as a percent of total assets:	3.78%	2.94%	2.32%
Nonperforming assets as a percent of total assets	5.22%	2.94%	3.85%
Loan Loss Reserve as a percent of total nonperforming loans	48.4%	19.42%	27.24%

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Total assets were $176,929,000 at Sept. 30, 1990. Stockholders' equity was $19,240,000 or $12.27 per share resulting in a capital ratio at Sept. 30, 1990 of 10.87%.

The Bank of Braintree is a Massachusetts chartered stock form savings bank. The bank has four offices in the town of Braintree.

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MILFORD, MA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Ceramics Process Systems Corp. (CPS)(OTC:CPSX) Wednesday announced a net loss of $559 thousand, or 8 cents per share, on revenues of $1.1 million for the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $347 thousand, or 7 cents per share, on revenues of $1.4 million for the same quarter in 1989. The company noted that commercial product sales increased 12 percent for the quarter and 52 percent through the first nine months of 1990 vs. the prior year. The decline in revenues resulted from the early completion of and R D & E program with Vesuvius Crucible Co. in June of this year.

CPS continues to enhance its technology base and recently received its 13th patent for making Pressureless Sintered SIC Whisker Reinforced Ceramic Composites using its proprietary Quickset process.

CPS develops, manufactures, and markets advanced ceramic products for the microelectronics, automotive, and defense industries and specializes in ceramic packaging and interconnecting of high-density, high performance electronic devices using proprietary Micro-engineering processes.

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WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - First Eastern Corp. (OTC:FEBC) reported net income fell to $1.66 per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30 down 31 percent from $2.42 a year earlier.

For the quarter, net income per share was 46 cents compared to 81 cents last year, a drop of 43 percent.

A primary reason for these results was a large increase in the provision for loan losses. This was due in part to a higher level of nonperforming assets and a building of the allowance for credit loss in a time of uncertainty.

The year-to-date provision was increased to $15.4 million, as compared to $5.3

million a year earlier, while the provision for the quarter was increased to $6.5 million, as compared to $1.7 million.

''In this quarter, we continued to add substantially to our reserves against future loan losses,'' noted Richard M. Ross Jr., chairman and CEO.

''These increases protect the company against individual loans that have shown signs of weakness, as well as categories of loans which could develop problems in the future.

''We believe that these increases have allowed First Eastern to anticipate any potential deterioration in its loan portfolio due to current and foreseeable adverse economic trends. In fact, we believe these writedowns are in many cases in excess of the losses that experience tells us we may eventually sustain,'' Ross said.

In general, northeastern Pennsylvania, First Eastern's primary marketplace, has not felt the erosion in real estate values to anywhere near the same degree as New Jersey and New England, Ross said, adding,''Commercial vacancy rates remain very low and there have been no unsuccessful multifamily housing units or retail shopping areas built.''

However, Ross noted that while a slowdown in the growth of the Pocono area will affect customers, ''we believe the size of our individual extensions plus the conservative loan to value standards we have used in our underwriting will minimize any possible loss.''

Overall, year-to-date net earnings were $16.6 million, down 30 percent from $23.6 million last year for the nine months ended Sept. 30. Quarterly earnings were $4.6 million, down 42 percent from $7.9 million a year earlier.

During 1990 First Eastern acquired nine branches of Atlantic Financial and The First National Bank of Wyoming, Pa. Adjusted to reflect these acquisitions, First Eastern's total assets rose about 8 percent to over $3 billion at period end as compared to a year earlier, while loans and leases were up 13 percent to $2.2 billion and deposits 8 percent to $2.7 billion.

Loan-to-deposit ratio at period end was 81.6 percent compared to 84.4 percent last year while equity-to-assets was 7.3 percent compared to 7.9 percent last year.

Equity accounts have been affected by the stock repurchase program which was placed in service during the second quarter of this year. As of Sept. 30, treasury stock represented $4.2 million in equity accounts.

Nonperforming loans at Sept. 30, were approximately $43 million as compared to $36 million at year end. Nonperforming loans consist of nonaccrual loans, loans past due 90 days or more and restructured loans.

Nonaccrual loans were approximately $23 million at Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to about $20 million at Dec. 31, 1989. Other real estate and repossessed assets stood at approximately $18 million as of Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to slightly over $3 million at Dec. 31, 1989. As a percentage of loans, nonperforming loans were 1.98 percent on Sept. 30, 1990, compared to 1.82 percent on Dec. 31, 1989.

The allowance for possible credit losses to loans and lease financing at Sept. 30, was 1.33 percent compared to 1.10 percent last year and 1.11 percent at year end 1989. The allowance for possible credit losses represented 126 percent of nonaccrual loans at Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to 108 percent at Dec. 31, 1989.

The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency will perform a regularly scheduled examination of First Eastern and Peoples First National banks during the fourth quarter. Despite a great deal of discussion regarding whether examination procedures have become more stringent, Ross said that in view of current national economic trends, the company has strenghtened internal procedures and focused senior management's attention on all aspects of maintaining asset quality.

''We believe these steps have prepared us for the examination,'' he added.

Summary of Operations
Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990
(dollars in thousands except per share)

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 1990	1989
Net interest income	$ 80,906	75,811
Loan loss provision	15,418	5,299
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	65,488	70,512
Other income	15,724	14,231
Other expense	61,826	54,704
Income before income tax	19,386	30,039
Income tax	2,773	6,407
Net income	$ 16,613	23,632
Earnings per common share	$ 1.66	2.42
Cash dividends declared per share	.84	.75
Weighted average common shares	9,999,331	9,774,283

Third Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1990
(dollars in thousands except per share)

	Quarter Ended September 30, 1990	1989

Net interest income	$ 27,664	25,179
Loan loss provision	6,486	1,736
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	21,178	23,443
Other income	5,481	5,096
Other expense	21,644	18,422
Income before income tax	5,015	10,117
Income tax	367	2,153
Net income	$ 4,648	7,964
Earnings per common share	$ .46	.81
Cash dividends declared per share	.28	.25
Weighted average common shares	10,101,732	9,795,936

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Note: During the second quarter of 1990 completed two acquisitions: Atlantic Financial, nine branches and assumed deposits approximating $217 million. First National Bank of Wyoming (Pa.), assets approximating $50 million. Prior periods were not restated.

Total Assets at September 30, 1990 $3,069,209

December 31, 1989	2,642,786
September 30, 1989	2,606,089

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ATLANTA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Georgia Power Co. announced Wednesday that it will redeem, on Nov. 30, all outstanding shares of the $2.75 Class A Preferred Stock at a redemption price of $25.69 per share plus accrued dividends to the date of redemption.

After the Nov. 1 sinking fund redemption of 300,000 shares, there will be a total of 1,050,000 shares outstanding.

Trust Company Bank, as Transfer Agent, Registrar and Dividend Disbursing Agent will be responsible for notifying each registered holder. The books will be closed on the redemption date.

On or before Oct. 30, holders of the $2.75 Class A Preferred Stock will be notified by first class mail.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Encore Computer Corp. Wednesday announced that it is in discussions to recapitalize the company, with their financial advisors, First Boston Corp.

Kenneth G. Fisher, chairman, president and chief executive officer stated, ''The discussions began several weeks ago and are part of our ongoing restructuring program. We are progressing satisfactorily and expect a positive result for Encore shareholders and our customers.''

The recapitalization discussions will assure compliance with the National Association of Securities Dealer's Automated Quotations Systems (NASDAQ) standards for capital requirements. NASD has granted Encore a temporary exception from these standards, allowing Encore's Common Stock to continue to be included for quotation on NASDAQ pending completion of the recapitalization.

For the duration of the temporary exception, the company's NASDAQ symbol will be ENCCC.

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ROCKY HILL, CT (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Ames Department Stores Inc. said Wednesday that it is continuing its expense-reduction efforts by reducing its corporate office staff, and closing its offices in West Hartford, Conn., and Syracuse, N.Y.

Approximately 250 people, including 160 in Syracuse, have been directly affected, out of a current corporate office employment level of about 1,600. Affected employees have been offered severance packages and outplacement assistance.

An additional 200 positions have been eliminated from the corporate office staffing plan. Ames said that these positions are currently unfilled and are the result of actions taken over the past four months to reduce staff levels. Last month the company closed one-third of its stores, and now operates 461 stores in the Northeast.

Ames also said that it has decided to close its West Hartford office, returning its merchandise division to Rocky Hill. The company said that it would close its Syracuse, finance office and relocate its accounting functions to Rocky Hill. Both actions will occur next spring.

Stephen L. Pistner, Ames' chief executive officer, said, ''Both the staff reduction and office consolidation are essential elements of our plan to reduce expenses and operating losses, while matching Ames' corporate organization with the company's smaller size.''

Ames filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code Apr. 25 to restructure its business and finances.

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WEST NEWTON, MA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - West Newton Savings Bank (NASDAQ:WNSB) announced Wednesday net income of $202,000 for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $1,427,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings per share were 12 cents for the 1990 quarter compared to a loss per share of 83 cents for the third quarter of 1989. Net interest income for the third quarter of 1990 was $1,817,000 compared with $1,783,000 in 1989. Other charges reducing net income for the quarter amounted to $172,000 compared to $398,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

In the 1990 quarter, other charges included joint venture losses of $233,000, which consisted of a provision for loss on advances of $154,000 and additional partnership contributions of $79,000 to fund operating expenses of a condominium project.

As of Sept. 30, 1990 the allowance for loan losses amounted to $2.9 million and the allowance for losses on joint ventures amounted to $2.5 million.

The bank's assets totaled $233 million at Sept. 30, 1990, down from $238 million a year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income totaled $573,000, compared to a net loss of $925,000 for the same 1989 period. Earnings per share for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 were 33 cents compared to a net loss per share of 54 cents for the first nine months of 1989.

Net interest income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $5,348,000 compared with $5,429,000 in 1989. Other income was $100,000 for the 1990 nine month period compared to net charges of $262,000 a year ago. Other income in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 included securities gains of $17,000, losses on joint ventures of $250,000 and other income of $279,000 which included a gain on sale of other real estate of $28,000.

Other charges in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 included joint venture losses of $450,000 and other income of $191,000. Operating expenses increased to $3,896,000 for the first nine months of 1990 from $3,836,000 for the first nine months of the preceding year. The provision for possible loan losses was $450,000 for the first nine months of 1990 compared to $2,325,000 in the first nine months of 1989.

West Newton Savings Bank is a Massachusetts savings bank founded in 1887. The bank has branch offices in Wayland, Sudbury, Lincoln and Sherborn. The bank converted stock form on Oct. 23, 1986.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Cincinnati Bell Inc. (NYSE:CSN) reported Wednesday it earned $23.5 million in net income in the third quarter, or 37 cents per common share, on revenues of $263.2 million. Net income increased 2.2 percent from 1989's $23.0 million.

Earnings per common share were equal to those of third quarter 1989. Revenues increased 17.9 percent from $223.3 million received during the third quarter of 1989.

The third quarter included a nonrecurring gain of $2.3 million, or four cents per common share, received from the sale of Cincinnati Bell Inc.'s interest in the CBIS-Kingston joint venture.

For the first three quarters of 1990, net income decreased 8.3 percent to $65.7 million from $71.6 million for the same period in 1989. Earnings per common share were $1.04, 8.8 percent lower than the $1.14 recorded for the same period in 1989. Revenues were $729.8 million, an increase of 8.4 percent from $673.2 million.

Early this year, Hibbard characterized 1990 as a year of expanding the corporation's main lines of business and building for future growth.

Cincinnati Bell Inc. acquired more companies in the third quarter for MATRIXX Marketing, the telemarketing subsidiary of Cincinnati Bell Inc., and for LDN Communications, the long distance resale subsidiary.

In August, two French telemarketing firms, Phone Marketing Services, S.A. and Syscall, S.A.R.L., were added to MATRIXX Marketing. Together they are the largest telemarketing operation in Europe.

They comprise MATRIXX Marketing Europe, with headquarters in Paris. Also Ameritel Corp., of Neenah, Wis., a business-to-business telemarketing firm, was acquired and added to MATRIXX Marketing's Business Division.

The assets of Unitel Communications Inc., a domestic long-distance service reseller, were acquired for LDN Communications. It is being operated as Cincinnati Bell Long Distance in Columbus, Ohio and serves the northern half of Ohio. The acquisition gives LDN Communications access to all of the state of Ohio in addition to portions of Michigan, Indiana and Kentucky.

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CHATTANOOGA, TN (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Chattem, Inc. (NASDAQ: CHTT), a manufacturer of consumer products and specialty chemicals, announced Wednesday improved results for the nine months and quarter ended August 31, 1990.

For the nine month period, net sales rose by 21 percent to $63,163,000 from $52,059,000 in the like period a year earlier. The increase in sales was driven by a strong performance from Chattem Consumer Products resulting largely from the successful national launch of Flex-All 454, a topical analgesic, and additional volume from Norwich Aspirin, acquired in July, 1989.

Chattem Chemicals experienced good growth in the specialty, hydroxide and DASC lines which offset a reduction in non-recurring, low margin glycine sales.

International sales also grew due to a strong performance in the U.K.

Reflecting the substantial increase in year-to-date sales, earnings from continuing operations rose by more that 50 percent to $2.8 million, or $2.20 per primary share, from $1.8 million, or $1.38 per primary share, a year earlier. Importantly, these earnings were achieved in spite of the recognition of a significant loss on Flex-All 454 related to advertising and promotion expenses incurred to support the national launch.

For the quarter ended August 31, 1990, sales increased by 63 percent to $18.8 million from $11.5 million and net income from continuing operations rose to $492,000, equal to $.38 per share, from a loss of $1.2 million, or $.97 per share, in the comparable period last year.

This record performance will be achieved in spite of the incurrence of a net loss on Flex-All 454. While Flex-All 454 has had a negative short term impact on earnings, it is expected to contribute significantly to growth in sales and earnings in future years.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - SouthTrust Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:SOTR) announced results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income increased 2 percent, to $18.8 million, over the 1989 total of $18.4 million. Net income per share was 69 cents in 1990 and 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $50.4 million compared to $53.6 million earned in 1989. Net income per share was $1.86 in 1990 and $2.02 in 1989.

Total assets as of Sept. 30, 1990, were $8.6 billion. Deposits increased to $6.8 billion, while loans grew to $5.2 billion. Stockholders' equity grew to $537.3 million compared to $485.4 million as of Sept. 30, 1989.

Wallace D. Malone Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, said ''During the third quarter, SouthTrust continued to perform very well considering the uncertain state of the economy. We were very satisfied with our performance and are looking forward to a good fourth quarter.''

SouthTrust Corp. headquarters are in Birmingham. The company operates 43 banks with 258 offices in a five-state area which includes Alabama, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and Tennessee. SouthTrust also operates seven bank-related affiliates.

SouthTrust Corp. common stock is traded in the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol SOTR.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of SouthTrust Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:SOTR) declared a quarterly cash dividend of 26 cents per share.

The dividend is payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 30, 1990.

SouthTrust Corp. is an $8.6 billion regional multibank holding company. The

company, operates 43 banks with 258 offices in a five-state area which includes Alabama, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and Tennessee.

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LITTLE ROCK, AR (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Worthen Banking Corp. (ASE:WOR) recorded net income of $5,329,000, or 49 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1990, which represents a 90 percent increase over the net income of $2,805,000, or 26 cents per share, earned in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company recorded net income of $14,552,000, or $1.33 per share, compared to $7,045,000, or 64 cents per share recorded in the first nine months of 1989, equal to a 107 percent increase.

On Sept. 7, 1990, Worthen Banking Corp. announced that Worthen Bank had acquired from the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC) certain assets and the deposit liabilities of the former Independence Federal Bank, headquartered in Batesville, Ark. The 20 offices of Independence located throughout the state are now being operated as branches of Worthen Bank.

At the end of the third quarter of 1990, the corporation had equity capital of $115.9 million. This represents a book value of $10.61 per share based on 10,931,399 shares outstanding. At Sept. 30, 1990, Worthen Banking Corp. had total assets of $2 billion. The corporation owns 10 banks and other financial service companies throughout Arkansas.

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DALLAS (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Energy Partners L.P., Wednesday announced net income of $50 million, or 13 cents per unit, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to net income for the third quarter of 1989 of $10 million or 3 cents per unit.

Revenues for the 1990 quarter were $340 million vs. $290 million for the 1989 quarter.

Income increased primarily as a result of the sharply higher crude oil prices that followed Iraq's August invasion of Kuwait. During the third quarter, Sun Energy Partners' average realized crude price rose from $14.94 per barrel in July to $30.25 per barrel in September.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $101 million or 26 cents per unit compared to a net loss of $134 million or 37 cents per unit for the nine months of 1989. The net loss in 1989 included a $199 million cumulative charge for a change in accounting principles.

Revenues were $940 million for the nine months of 1990 compared to $894 million for the like period in 1989.

The Partnership also announced a cash distribution of 39 cents per unit to be paid on Dec. 10, 1990 to unitholders of record on Nov. 16, 1990.

Sun Energy Partners, whose managing general partner is Oryx Energy Co., is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ''SLP.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - A $100 million offering of 8.95 percent secured notes for Private Export Funding Corp. (PEFCO) was priced Wednesday at 99.9488 percent to yield 8.96 percent for a spread of 32 basis points over seven-year Treasury notes.

The notes, Series GG, due Oct. 31, 1997, are noncallable and are expected to be rated Aaa by Moody's and AAA by Standard & Poor's.

The notes are offered through an underwriting group managed by J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. The group includes BT Securities Corp., Bank of America NT&SA Chase Securities Inc., Citicorp Securities Markets Inc., Dillon, Read & Co. Inc., and Salomon Brothers Inc.

PEFCO was established in 1970 with support from the U.S. Treasury Department and the Export-Import Bank of the United States to assist in financing the export of U.S. goods and services. Its principal business is to make medium- and long-term loans to foreign companies so they can finance purchases of U.S. manufactured goods and services. PEFCO, which is based in New York City, is owned by 40 U.S. commercial banks, six industrial companies, and three financial services companies.

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COCONUT GROVE, FLA. (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - WATSCO INC. (ASE: WSOA) announced the completion of the acquisition of privately-held Heating & Cooling Supply Inc. for $31.5 million.

Heating & Cooling Supply is the largest independent distributor of air conditioning and heating equipment in Southern California.

Heating & Cooling Supply, founded in 1960 and headquartered in San Diego, Calif., had sales and earnings in 1989 of $76 million and $3.5 million, respectively. Presently, it has eight branches in Southern California, and two in Arizona.

WATSCO and Rheem, the second largest manufacturer of residential air conditioning equipment in the United States, will each own approximately 50 percent of Heating & Cooling Supply. The acquisition was financed by bank debt, notes and $4. million of WATSCO Class A Common Stock.

Albert H. Nahmad, chairman of WATSCO noted, ''With this acquisition, WATSCO will be a leading participant in Florida and California, two of the top three markets for air conditioning and heating products in the United States. Our subsidiary, Gemaire Distributors, Inc., the largest independent distributor of residential air conditioning equipment in Florida, is also the largest of Rheem's distributors.

''We are delighted that Mr. O.M. Butler has become a significant WATSCO shareholder and that Rheem is our partner in this acquisition. Mr. Butler will remain as Chairman of Heating & Cooling Supply and John Butler will continue as President. Additionally, Mr. Butler has been elected to WATSCO's Board of Directors.''

In a related matter, WATSCO announced it was terminating its previously announced secondary public offering as a result of generally adverse market conditions and having found an alternate method to purchase Heating & Cooling Supply.

WATSCO also participates in the personnel services industry through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Dunhill Personnel System Inc. Dunhill, headquartered in Long Island, N.Y., is a leader in the permanent placement and temporary employment services industry in the United States and Canada through a highly regarded network of 258 franchised and 22 company-owned offices. In 1989, the combined system-wide revenues of Dunhill's franchised and company-owned offices exceeded $95 million.

The Company's Class A and Class B Common Stock and Convertible Debentures are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbols WSOA, WSOB and WSOC.A

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MIAMI (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T has been charged with racketeering and antitrust violations in a lawsuit filed by Westel de Venezuela seeking $90 million in damages.

The New York Federal Court action claims that AT&T has attempted to monopolize trade and commerce in the telecommunications, computer and data terminal industries in the Republic of Venezuela ''through a pattern of racketeering activity'' and ''in furtherance of a scheme to defraud'' by driving Westel from the marketplace and misappropriating its technology, proprietary business information, business opportunities and personnel.

The lawsuit alleges that AT&T's conduct appeared to be a reaction to the 1982 Federal court ordered divestiture resulting from anti-trust litigation brought by the United States Justice Department which ''impelled AT&T to reevaluate its relationship with its representatives in areas beyond the territorial limits of the United States.''

Westel was AT&T's representative beginning in 1977 and introduced and marketed the company's product line throughout Venezuela. Its customers included the Country's national oil company (PEDEVESA), the national telecommunications corporation (CANTV), the airline AVENSA, as well as the leading banks and governmental institutions of Venezuela.

Westel charges that AT&T implemented its scheme by inducing it to purchase obsolete and nonfunctional equipment at inflated prices and then slandering the company by advising its customers that Westel was at fault for subsequent malfunctions and failures.

Westel also asserts that it developed a direct inward dialing signal converter which AT&T misappropriated and is presently offering and selling as its own throughout the world.

The suit additionally seeks damages for the usurpation of substantial CANTV projects obtained by Westel including data transmission and the supply of cable throughout Venezuela.

The predicate acts which give rise to the RICO charges are mail and wire communications by AT&T in interstate and foreign commerce in furtherance of a

scheme to defraud.

The antitrust violations AT&T are charged with are based upon allegations concerning its attempt to obtain a telecommunications monopoly in Venezuela.

Westel is represented by attorneys Tralins & Gilbert of Miami, and Rosner & Goodman of New York.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - At a meeting of the board of directors on Monday Oct. 15, Phil Lynch, senior vice president, Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. was elected chairman of the International Petroleum Exchange of London Limited.

Phil has had many years of experience in the industry and celebrates his 20th year at Shearson's this year. This is the first occasion that an american chairman has been elected by a London Exchange.

Lynch takes over his chairmanship from Derek Whiting, chairman of Sucden (UK) Limited. Whiting, who has served as chairman of the Exchange since 1986, completed his term this year under the Articles of Association of the Exchange.

Derek has given his unrelentled support in the development of the Exchange during his time as chairman and will continue to serve as a director of the board.

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VANCOUVER, BC (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Jack W. Kendrick, president of Bunker Hill Mining Co. Inc. (TSE/VSE:BNH) (NASDAQ:BNKRF), announced Wednesday third quarter unaudited earnings of US$910,164, or 6 cents per share, on concentrate sales of US$5,459,928.

This compares to earnings of $242,694, or 2 cents per share, on concentrate sales of $3,292,086 for the same quarter a year ago.

The first nine months of 1990 ended with unaudited net income of $2,271,254, or 14 cents per share, on concentrate sales of $14,087,607 vs. a net loss of

$714,858, or 4 cents per share, on concentrate sales of $6,790,374 for the first nine months of 1989.

Kendrick said, ''Higher production levels together with an improvement in the grade of ore mined as well as continued attention to controlling operating costs contributed positively to results for the quarter.''

Kendrick also announced the temporary curtailment of a limited number of exploration and development projects in the Bunker Hill Mine and a corresponding 18 percent reduction in the mine workforce. ''We are taking this action to conserve cash and to maintain profitability in response to a weakened economic outlook.''

Kendrick further stated, ''This action will have no adverse impact on current operations because our ore reserve development efforts have progressed to the point that currently indicated mine life is approaching 20 years.''

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HOUSTON (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Baker Hughes Inc. (NYSE,PSE, Zurich:BHI) Wednesday announced the completion of the acquisition of ChemLink Inc., an oil-field and industrial specialty chemicals company.

As previously announced, the acquisition was made by Baker Performance Chemicals, the Baker Hughes subsidiary operating in the oil-field performance chemical markets.

Baker Hughes is a leading provider of products and services for the oil, gas and process industries.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Samna Corp. (NASDAQ:SMNA) Wednesday announced the results for the third quarter of 1990.

Net revenues increased 122% to $4,031,000 from third quarter 1989 net revenues of $1,816,000. Third quarter 1990 net income of $145,000 compares with a net loss of $982,000 in the prior year after income tax benefit of $417,000. On a per share basis, net income was 5 cents for the current quarter in contrast with a loss of 38 cents after tax benefit of 16 cents for the third quarter of

1989.

The increase in net revenues is directly attributable to the company's graphical user interface (GUI) products. Ami Professional, the company's premier GUI word processor, was not available in the third quarter of 1989. Technology license fees and sales of newly released international versions also contributed to the increase.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net revenues of $10,262,000, up 41% from 1989 nine month revenues of $7,253,000. The net losses for the nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 were $1,221,000 and $2,274,000, respectively. The loss for the 1989 period reflected income tax benefit of $1,030,000. Net loss per share for the first three quarters of 1990 was 46 cents as opposed to 89 cents after tax benefit of 40 cents for the comparable 1989 period.

Samna Corp. and Subsidiaries
Financial Highlights
(In thousands)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$ 4,031	$ 1,816	$ 10,262	$ 7,253
Costs of goods sold	930	438	2,398	1,458
Selling, general and administrative expenses	2,635	2,477	7,934	8,186
Research and development	393	301	1,190	889
Other (income) expense	(72)	(1)	(39)	24
Income (loss) before income taxes	145	(1,399)	(1,221)	(3,304)
Net income (loss)	$ 145	$ (982)	$ (1,221)	$ (2,274)
Net income (loss) per common share	$ 0.05	$ (0.38)	$ (0.46)	(0.89)

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SADDLE BROOK, NJ (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Anthony S. Abbate, president and

chief executive officer of Interchange Financial Services Corp., reported net earnings for the nine-month period ending Sept. 30, of $1,857,541 as compared to the Sept. 30, 1989, amount of $2,318,252.

On a per share basis after deducting dividends paid to holders of preferred stock, this amounted to 89 cents per share in 1990 as compared to $1.16 per share for the same period in 1989 or a 23 percent decrease.

The 1989 results included $525,000 net of income taxes from the sale of mortgage servicing rights. If this non-recurring amount were removed from 1989's results, 1990 earnings would show an improvement over 1989. Abbate further stated that 1990's results include the absorption of branching activities which began in 1989 with the establishment of an office in Franklin Lakes. New offices are planned in Hillsdale in November and in Little Ferry in 1991.

Asset quality continues to be strong. Loans past due 90 days or more, including non-performing loans, have decreased to 1.4 percent of total loans from 1.7 percent at June 30th. Such loans were 1.2 percent of total loans at Sept. 30, 1989, giving further indication of the strength and stability of asset values. These ratios are much less than the averages reported for holding company peers for the periods indicated.

The allowance for possible loan losses is being maintained at a level of about 1 percent of total loans. Management considers this level more than adequate to cover potential losses.

Abbate stated that Interchange's underwriting of loans has always been conservative and as a result, he does not anticipate the kinds of events which have been affecting other financial institutions.

During the most recent quarter, a new venture, Clover Leaf Insurance Agency Inc., commenced operations as a subsidiary of Interchange State Bank. Its purpose is to offer tax-deferred annuities of several types, including college-saver and long term health care programs. Abbate said this subsidiary is expected to contribute substantial fee income as we are able to tell our customers of the advantages of these products.

Interchange Financial Services Corp. owns the outstanding shares of Interchange State Bank, based in Saddle Brook, with ten banking offices throughout Bergen County.

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HARRISON, AR (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Arkansas Freightways (NASDAQ/NMS:AFWY) announced Wednesday that operating revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30 1990, were $104,773,000, up 46.1 percent, compared to $71,706,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Operating revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 48.9 percent to $38,297,000 from $25,719,000 in the same quarter of 1989. Operating income was $11,124,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, up 47.4 percent from $7,549,000 in the nine months ended September 1989.

Operating income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $4,912,000, up 53 percent from $3,211,000 for the same three month period in 1989.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $5,617,000 ($1 per share) an increase of 48.3 percent, compared to $3,788,000 (74 cents per share) in the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $2,512,000 (45 cents per share) up 35.2 percent from $1,858,000 (33 cents per share) in the same quarter of 1989.

Average shares outstanding for the nine months ended 1990 and 1989 were 5,621,202 and 5,114,399, respectively. Average shares outstanding for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 were 5,614,984 and 5,568,755, respectively.

Arkansas Freightways handled 568,703 tons of less-than-truckload (LTL) traffic in the first nine months of 1990, an increase of 37.6 percent from 413,380 tons handled in the same period last year. LTL tonnage for the third quarter of 1990 was 204,519, up 37.8 percent, compared to 148,388 in the third quarter of 1989.

Total LTL shipments for the nine and three month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, were 1,241,876 and 443,978, respectively. LTL shipments for the same period of 1989 were 899,953 and 325,692, respectively.

Arkansas Freightways Corp. is a scheduled, for hire, common and contract motor carrier transporting primarily less-than-truckload shipments of general commodities, serving all points in Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, western Tennessee and the Chicago metropolitan area.

Arkansas Freightways Corp. operates a fleet of 4,548 pieces of revenue equipment from 100 terminals.

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MONTGOMERY, AL (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Colonial BancGroup (OTC:CLBGA) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Robert E. Lowder announced on Wednesday that income had increased to $6,655,000 for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $4,027,000 for the previous year.

Earnings showed a gain of more than 64 percent, from 62 cents per share in 1989 to $1.02 per share for the nine month period.

The income statement includes an extraordinary tax credit of $958,000 from utilization of a net operating loss carryforward from 1989.

Colonial contributed $4,220,000 in loan loss provisions to its reserves during the first nine months of 1990, compared with $2,129,000 in 1989. The company's total loan loss reserve stands at $14,878,000, or 1.41 percent of net loans.

In additon to improvements in income, Colonial showed increases in total deposits and loans for the first three quarters of 1990. Total deposits grew from $1,278,340,000 in 1989 to $1,318,218,000 by Sept. 30, 1990. During the like period, net loans increased 5.5 percent, from $1,003,636,000 to $1,058,873,000.

For the first three quarters, BancGroup's return on average assets improved to .60 percent in 1990, compared with .37 percent in 1989. Return on average equity increased to 11.95 percent by Sept. 30, 1990, compared with only 4.68 percent in 1989.

At its quarterly board meeting, the company's board of directors approved payment of its regular dividend of 15 cents on Class A common stock and 5 cents on Class B common stock. The dividends will be paid on Nov. 13, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 6, 1990.

Colonial BancGroup is an Alabama-based bank holding company with 72 offices and assets totaling $1,506,026,000.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - ICH Corp. (ASE:ICH) Wednesday announced it has redomiciled its subsidiary, Constitution Life Insurance Co. (''Constitution''), from Illinois to Kentucky.

This redomestication is part of a previously announced strategic refocusing of ICH that will emphasize life, health, and accumulation products. Constitution

will serve as the primary writer of accumulation products for ICH. Constitution has received a claims paying rating of A+ from Standard and Poor's.

ICH also announced the formation of the ICH Capital Management Group (''CMG'') as a division of ICH. The CMG has responsibility for managing all aspects of Constitution Life as well as providing asset-liability and investment management services to the other ICH companies and to Marquette National Life Insurance Co. In total, the CMG will manage approximately $4.8 billion in assets.

The company will focus on three broad classes of customers. One such class will be institutional investors such as money market funds, bank trust departments, 401(k) and other employee savings plans, and other conservative investors that seek and value insurance company guarantees.

Another area of thrust will be specialized seperate accounts, which will be marketed to defined benefit pension plans, bank trust departments, speciality investment firms, and other investors with total return orientations.

The third area of focus will be the retail annuity investor, typically individuals that value features such as floating credited interests rates as protection against inflation.

The initial product offerings will be in the institutional market, including products such as Guaranteed Investment Contracts (GICs) indexed to short term rates. Additional product types currently under development include GICs indexed to intermediate term rates and certain fixed rate products.

Constitution is capitalized with over $1 billion in assets. This figure includes less than 5 percent in non-investment grade securities and no commercial mortgages. Liabilities total $900 million of existing GICs which were reinsured into Constitution from another ICH Company, Southwestern Life.

The company's adjusted surplus exceeds $100 million, resulting in an 11 percent capital/liability ratio. Ruby noted this ratio is substantially higher than the industry average and properly reflects Constitition's underlying financial strength.

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-30- 2718

#90290c0002 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:37 that trade in Unionfed Financial Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol UFF.

-30- 322
#90290c0003 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Great Western Financial has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol UFF. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

-30- 358
#90290c0004 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Unionfed Financial Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol UFF. Trading was resumed at 10:15.

-30- 358
#90290c0005 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at that trade in Homefed Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol HFD.

-30- 299
#90290c0006 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 16:

Builders Design Inc. - Class A Wts. (BDNIZ); Insufficient number of active market makers

Cache Inc. - Wts. 10/22/90 (CACHW); Warrants expire 10/22/90
Franklin American Corp. (FAIC); Issue postponed - security never quoted
Mega Group Inc. - Wts. 90 (MGINW); Insufficient number of active market makers

Volunteer Bancshares Inc. (VOLB); Insufficient number of active market makers

-30- 620
#90290c0007 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the South Dade Healthcare Group Ltd. is a Florida limited partnership formed for the purpose of acquiring the assets, constructing improvements to and operating substantially all the assets of Coral Reef Hospital.

-30- 433

#90290c0009 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the South Dade Healthcare Group Ltd. is a Florida limited partnership formed for the purpose of acquiring the assets, constructing improvements to and operating substantially all the assets of Coral Reef Hospital.

A wholly-owned subsidiary of Columbia Hospital Corp.'s (TICKER: CHOS) wholly-owned subsidiary, Columbia Hospital Corp. of Texas, is a general partner of the partnership, and Columbia Hospital Corp. of South Dade is also a general partner.

On Sept. 27, 1990, the partnership purchased the assets of Coral Reef Hospital and certain other related assets of Southern Medical Health Systems Inc., its two wholly-owned subsidiaries, Springhill International Medical Corp. and Coral Reef Hospital Investors Inc., and CRH Properties.

CRH Properties is a Florida general partnership between CRH Investors and Springhill.

-30- 1072

#90290c0014 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Fox Technology Inc.9TICKER: FOXT) and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Fox Marketing Inc., (collectively, "Fox") effective Oct. 1, 1990, agreed to establish a jointly-owned corporation with Integ Inc., a California corporation.

Fox Technology and Integ agreed to combine the consumer electronic products of Fox with certain financial, production and marketing resources of Integ, thereby creating a new jointly-owned corportion to be known as Fox Electronics Inc.

The primary business purpose of the new corporation is to develop, sell and distribute consumer electronic products.

In accord with the agreement, Fox Electronics will have an authorized capital of 4.0 million shares of common stock, and will issue to Integ 2.29 million shares for an aggregate purchase price of $91,520.

Fox Electronics also will issue to Fox 600,000 shares, in exchange for certain assets.

-30- 1134

#90290c0015 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:01 that trade in Eldec Corp.(NASDAQ: ELDC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 8 1/2. The company is located in Lynnwood, WA.

-30- 325
#90290c0017 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:15 that trade in Enserch Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol ENS.

-30- 304
#90290c0018 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:17 that trade in Enserch Exploration Partners LTD has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol EP.

-30- 342
#90290c0019 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Homefed Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol HFD. Trading was resumed at 11:34.

-30- 338
#90290c0020 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:06 that trade in Eldec Corp.(NASDAQ: ELDC) has been resumed. The first sale was 8; down 1/2 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 331
#90290c0021 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Eastco Industrial Safety Corp.(TICKER: ESTO) lost $2.20 million, or $0.58 per share, on revenues of $46.42 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.33 million, or $0.34 per share, on revenues of $46.46 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 507
#90290c0023 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows TSS Ltd. (TICKER: TSSL) lost $1.11 million, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $117,392 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $1.16 million, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $49,773 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 465
#90290c0024 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Rastra Building Systems Inc.(TICKER: RAST) lost $629,456, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $14,591 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $461,284, or $0.02 per share, on no revenues for fiscal 1989.

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise.

Its executive offices are located at 6421 Box Springs Blvd., Riverside, CA 92507, and its telephone number is (714) 653-3346.

-30- 652
#90290c0025 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Data Translation Inc.(TICKER: DATX) lost $309,000, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $8.83 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $146,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $9.41 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 476
#90290c0026 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows NBS National Benefit Services Inc.(TICKER: NBSN) lost $140,825, or $0.07 per share on revenues of $1.17 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $134,283, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $870,703 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 493
#90290c0027 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Jones Spacelink Ltd.(TICKER: SPLK) lost $4.30 million, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $27.15 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $2.49 million (including an extraordinary loss of $2.0 million), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $22.09 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 550
#90290c0028 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Jones Intercable (TICKER: JOIN) lost $6.14 million, or $0.49 per share, on revenues of $26.51 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $9.80 million (including an extraordinary loss of $2.0 million,), or $0.79 per share, on revenues of $19.44 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 551
#90290c0029 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Jericap Inc. announced that on Sept. 28, 1990, the expiration date of the company's outstanding warrants was extended to Feb. 28, 1991.

-30- 350
#90290c0031 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows The Exploration Co. of Louisiana (TICKER: XCOL) on Sept. 28, 1990, entered a new credit agreement with Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co.

The agreement provides for a three-year revolving credit facility of up to $50 million, depending upon the available borrowing base.

It will convert to a five-year term loan with a final maturity date of July 1, 1998.

Manufacturers has committed to $15 million of the total credit facility, with the balance of $35 million syndicated to three additional banks.

-30- 729
#90290c0032 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the SEC shows Bayou International Ltd.(TICKER: BAYU) lost $2.82 million, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $2.25 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses, reported in Australian dollars, of $3.61 million, or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $2.29 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 524
#90290c0033 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Alcide Corp.(TICKER: ALCD) lost $211,239, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $634,668

for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $666,606, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $310,987 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 458

#90290c0034 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Worthington Industries Inc.(TICKER: WTHG) earned $11.82 million, or $0.30 per share, on revenues of $217.72 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $11.14 million (including an extraordinary loss of $365,000), or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $212.99 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 560

#90290c0035 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows National Heritage Industries (TICKER: NHER) earned $6,000 on revenues of $2.65 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $722,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $87,000), or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $10.65 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 516

#90290c0036 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Blue Ridge Real Estate Co. and Big Boulder Corp.(TICKERl BLRG) lost $320,515, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $1.23 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $110,677, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $2.97 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 522

#90290c0037 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:17 that trade in Valspar Corp.(NASDAQ: VAL) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the AMEX.

-30- 323

#90290c0039 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Enserch

Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ENS. Trading was resumed at 12:31.

-30- 338

#90290c0040 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Enserch Exploration Partners LTD has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol EP. Trading was resumed at 12:40.

-30- 376

#90290c0041 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Valspar Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol VAL. Trading was resumed at 12:43.

-30- 338

#90290c0042 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:55 that trade in B & H Ocean Carriers has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol BHO.

-30- 318

#90290c0043 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:58 that trade in B & H Maritime Carriers has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol BHM.

-30- 324

#90290c0044 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 16, 1990, ASK and Chase amended the commitment letter. On Oct. 15, 1990, James Lennane filed a motion to amend and a second amended and supplemental complaint to add a claim that defendants have failed to disclose certain material facts in the ASK proxy dated Sept. 18, 1990 in violation of the defendants' duty of candor and to add a request for declaratory and injunctive relief prohibiting the voting of proxies solicited by ASK pursuant to the proxy statement or, alternatively an order to revise the proxy statement.

-30- 735
#90290c0045 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 15, 1990, James Lennane filed a motion to amend and a second amended and supplemental complaint to add a claim that defendants have failed to disclose certain material facts in the ASK proxy dated Sept. 18, 1990 in violation of the defendants' duty of candor.

-30- 490
#90290c0047 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

A.T. BAKSH OWNS 1,050,882 SHARES (9.61%) OF WORTHEN BANKING CORP (TICKER: WOR) OF LITTLE ROCK, AR.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 330
#90290c0048 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 30

GROUP LED BY CENTAUR PARTNERS IV OWNS 3,815,500 SHARES (17.53%) OF NATIONAL INTERGROUP INC (TICKER: NII) OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Centaur Partners IV purchased 220,000 shares from Sept. 24 to Oct. 16, 1990

for $11.58 to $12.50 per share.

-30- 472
#90290c0049 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

MERCURY ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC OWNS 1,715,000 SHARES (7.70%) OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: OCER) OF HOUSTON, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Mercury Asset Management PLC purchased 190,000 shares from July 10 to Oct. 4, 1990 for $14.25 to $17.63 per share and sold 40,000 shares on Sept. 6, 1990 for $17 per share

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 570
#90290c0050 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at that trade in Georgia Power Company has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE ticker symbol GPE.A.

-30- 313
#90290c0051 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:55 that trade in CFS Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: CFSC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 6. The company is located in Fairfax, VA.

-30- 337
#90290c0052 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in B & H Ocean Carriers has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol BHO. Trading was resumed at 13:57.

-30- 353
#90290c0053 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in B & H Maritime Carriers has been resumed. The company is listed on the American

Stock Exchange, ticker symbol BHM. Trading was resumed at 14:58.

-30- 359

#90290c0055 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 30, 1990, Delta Petroleum Corp. entered an agreement with Apex Operating Co. whereby Delta acquired interests in eight wells previously owned by Apex.

Under the agreement, Delta paid Roger Parker, a director of Delta and sole owner of Apex, $100,000 and delivered a demand promissory note for $130,000.

On the same date, Delta's board of directors voted to extend the expiration date of all warrants to Dec. 31, 1990.

-30- 655

#90290c0056 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Gemini Marketing Inc. has entered into letters of intent with two principals for the purpose of joint ventures to expand Gemini's geograhpic area of retail computer shareware stores.

The details of the ventures are not fully developed at this time.

The company reports it has been authorized to change its corporate name to Gemini Shareware Inc.

On Sept. 10, 1990, the company elected two new directors, Ian Denning and Theodore Meyer.

The company's executive office is located at 10900 N.E. 4th Ave., No. 604, Bellevue, Washington 98004 and its telephone number is (206) 637-2804.

-30- 842

#90290c0057 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Rentech Inc. is seeking to offer 1.47 million shares of its common stock at an initial public offering price of $3 per share.

The company develops and markets processes for conversion of low-value carbon-bearing solids or gases into valuable liquid hydrocarbons, including high-grade diesel fuel, naphthas and wax.

R.B. Marich Inc. is managing the offering.

The company's offices are located at 1624 Market Street, Suite 300A, Denver,

CO 80202, and its telephone number is (303) 571-4158.

-30- 720

#90290c0058 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows shareholders of Pajaro Valley Bancorporation and Pacific Capital Bancorp approved the proposed merger of the two holding companies at respective meetings of shareholders on Oct. 3, 1990.

Pajaro is the holding company for Pajaro Valley Bank, while Pacific is the holding company for First National Bank of Monterey County(TICKER: MTCL).

Pursuant to terms of the merger agreement, each outstanding share of Pajaro common stock will be converted into the right to receive 0.045 shares of Pacific common stock.

Management of both companies anticipate the merger to be finalized by mid-November, 1990.

Pajaro's executive offices are located at Two Brennan Street, Watsonville, CA 95076, and its telephone number is (408) 728-2265.

-30- 978

#90290c0059 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Antennas America Inc. has extended the expiration date of its Class A common stock purchase warrants from Sept. 30, 1990 to Oct. 31, 1990.

There are 10.55 million Class A common stock purchase warrants outstanding.

These warrants cannot be exercised until the company's amendment to its registration statement concerning exercise of the warrants has become effective.

The company is engaged in the business of designing and developing a variety of antennas and antenna systems, many of which utilize phased array flat designs to receive signals from satellite and other sources of transmissions.

The company's executive offices are located at 14045 West 66th Avenue, Arvada, CO 80004, and its telephone number is (303) 421-4063.

-30- 984

#90290c0060 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Glacier Holdings Ltd. acquired on Sept. 28, 1990, all of the shares of the capital

stock of Salton Time Ltd. from Duquesne Financial Corp, Glacier's majority shareholder, for $250,000.

The purchase price was paid in the form of a 9% promissory note due Sept. 28, 1993.

Prior to the acquisition, Duquesne consolidated its interest in Salton Time as a result of a merger between Salton and Castleton China Ltd.

The company's offices are located at 550 Business Center Drive, Mount Prospect IL 60056, and its telephone number is (312) 803-1150.

-30- 763

#90290c0061 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Auto Depot Inc.(TICKER: AUTD) loaned Familia Mercado Inc. on Sept. 25, 1990, the amount of $850,000. Proceeds of the loan were used to repay a loan from A.G. Automotive Warehouses Inc.(TICKER: AGAW), an affiliate of Auto Depot and Familia.

Familia is a recently formed start-up company that has no revenues and is dependent on completion of its pending initial public offering to start operations.

On Oct. 1, 1990, Global America Inc., underwriter of Auto Depot's initial public offering, exercised the over-allotment option to purchase 270,900 additional units, resulting in net proceeds to Auto Depot of around $1.20 million.

-30- 854

#90290c0063 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Georgia Power Co. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol GPE.A. Trading was resumed at 14:32.

-30- 346

#90290c0064 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:46 that trade in Shaw Industries Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol SHX.

-30- 318

#90290c0065 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept.

29, 1990, United Fashions Inc. acquired 1.98 million shares of Americanino Capital Corp. from Oban. Corp.

United Fashions paid $11.85 million, or $6 per share.

On the same date, United Fashions acquired an additional 922,412 shares of Americanino from Galmic Corporate Finance S.A. for a consideration of $5.53 million, or $6 per share, pursuant to a private transaction.

The executive office of United Fashions is located at 156 West 56th Street, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10019 and its telephone number is (212) 582-3276.

-30- 782

#90290c0066 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 12, 1990 Wasatch Education Systems Corp.(TICKER: WESC) appointed Ernst & Young as its independent accountants, replacing Arthur Andersen & Co.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 874

#90290c0067 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Grayhound Electronics (TICKER: GRAY) lost $26,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.95 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $49,903, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $3.79 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 499

#90290c0068 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows QSR Inc. (TICKER: QSRI) lost $261,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $819,000 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $540,000, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $4.68 million for the 16-week period ended Sept. 17, 1989.

-30- 469
#90290c0069 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Selvac Corp.(TICKER: SLVC) lost $422,135, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.89 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $268,249 (including an extraordinary gain of $62,000), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $3.15 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 508
#90290c0071 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Algorex Corp.(TICKER: ALGO) lost $1.87 million, or $0.67 per share, on revenues of $4.62 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $675,099 (including an extraordinary gain of $251,000), or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $8.06 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 512
#90290c0072 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Security Environmental Systems Inc.(TICKER: SENV) earned $22,427, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $4.23 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $244,217 (including an extraordinary gain of $38,000), or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.18 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 548
#90290c0073 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Shaw Industries Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol SHX. Trading was resumed at 15:26.

-30- 351
#90290c0074 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Bouton Corp.(TICKER: BOTN) earned $171,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $3.20 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $15,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.97 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 474
#90290c0075 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Whitetail Inc.(TICKER: WHTT) earned $226,739 (including a gain of $296,514 from discontinued operations), or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $56,126 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $166,756, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $51,535 for the quarter ended July 31, 1989.

-30- 534
#90290c0076 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Quest Medical Inc.(TICKER: QMED) appointed Ernst & Young as its independent accountants effective Oct. 10, 1990, replacing KPMG Peat Marwick.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 888
#90290c0077 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 10, 1990, Consolidated Products Inc.(TICKER: COPI) announced it approved a plan of recapitalization for the company which will include a $7.25 per share special dividend payable to all shareholders.

The proposed special dividend, which is subject to financing and satisfaction of certain other conditions, consists of $4.25 in cash per share and subordinated convertible debentures of the company in the principal amount of $3.00 per share, bearing interest at an annual rate of 10 percent.

Under the plan, the company will raise approximately $24 million in new debt to be applied to the cash portion of the dividend, retirement of existing debt working capital and expenses of the plan.

-30- 942
#90290c0079 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows General Building Products Corp.(TICKER: GBLD) lost $1.76 million, or $0.44 per share, on revenues of $15.21 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $332,857 (including a loss of $90,291 from discontinued operations), or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $22.46 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 562

#90290c0080 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Triumph Oil and Gas Corp. lost $191,721, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.59 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $253,193, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $788,663 in fiscal 1989.

-30- 447

#90290c0081 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Sun Tech Enterprises earned $51,723, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.24 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $10,939, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $4.04 million for the same period in 1989.

The company's executive office is located at 15325 NE 21 Ave., North Miami Beach, Florida 33162 and its telephone number is (305) 945-1124.

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#90290c0082 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Mills-Jennings Co.(TICKER: JKPT) earned $94,076, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $822,852 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $15,745, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.23 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90290c0083 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ADAM ENTERPRIESE INC DBA CAMBRIDGE DEV OF 5 TRAID CENTER, SUITE 750, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84065, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PAN WORLD

MINERALS INTL INC. THROUGH KOBER FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 15, 1990.

(PAN WORLD MINERALS INTL INC. TEL: 801 261-3888)

-30- 479
#90290c0084 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G H 3 NATIONAL CORP OF P O BOX 7036, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84121, HAS FILED TO SELL 180,000 SHARES OF ABEX LTD. THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 9, 1990.

(ABEX LTD. TEL: 801 266-2272)

-30- 374
#90290c0085 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.O. MCGRATH OF 123 EAST 54TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 175,000 SHARES OF MEDIZONE INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: MZEI) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 10, 1990.

(MEDIZONE INTERNATIONAL INC TEL: 212 421-0303)

-30- 432
#90290c0087 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CWC SPORTS INC OF 261 REDLANDS, PLAYA DEL REY, CA 90293, HAS FILED TO SELL 264,000 SHARES OF CHARTWELL PUBLISHING CO.,INC. THROUGH DRAKE CAPITAL SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 10, 1990.

(CHARTWELL PUBLISHING CO.,INC. TEL: 213 628-2812)

-30- 434
#90290c0088 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L.K. MEYBERG OF 8017 SELMA #302, LOS ANGELES, CA 90046, HAS FILED TO SELL 500,000 SHARES OF NOUVEAUX CORP. THROUGH TOLUCA PACIFIC SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 11, 1990.

(NOUVEAUX CORP. TEL: 714 852-4401)

-30- 390
#90290c0089 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. OTOOLE OF 1565 E 775 S #24, ODGEN, UT 84404, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF SILVER EXPLORATION INC.(TICKER: SILE) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 12, 1990.

(SILVER EXPLORATION INC. TEL: 801 621-4100)

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~SOURCE:Comtex
~HL:AMERICAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS: FUTURES ADVISORY SVCS FILES TO SELL 70,000 SHARES
FORM 144

SEC - FUTURES ADVISORY SVCS LTD OF 107 GRAYS INN RD, LONDON, ENGLAND, OV, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: AMTT) THROUGH SWARTWOOD, HESSE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 15, 1990.

(AMERICAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 604 685-9177)

-30- 482
#90290c0092 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.K. HOLMES OF P.O. BOX 4157, DUBLIN, GA 31040, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DYCO) THROUGH ROBINSON- HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 15, 1990.

(DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 305 659-6301)

-30- 405
#90290c0093 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.W. MORTON OF 1145 ARDEN RD, PASADENA, CA 91106, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF TCW CONVERTIBLE SECS FUND INC. (TICKER: CVT) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 15, 1990.

(TCW CONVERTIBLE SECS FUND INC. TEL: 213 683-4000)

-30- 443
#90290c0094 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K.S. SMITH OF 455 EAST 5TH S #200, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84111, HAS FILED TO SELL 168,000 SHARES OF NEW WAVE ENERGY INC. THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 11, 1990.

(NEW WAVE ENERGY INC. TEL: 801 973-0177)

-30- 403
#90290c0095 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

PAN WORLD MINERALS INTL: D.L. ROBINSON FILES TO SELL 4,600 SHARES

FORM 144

SEC - D.L. ROBINSON OF 13659 SO 2780 WEST, P O BOX 388, RIVERTON, UT 84065, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,600 SHARES OF PAN WORLD MINERALS INTL INC. THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 9, 1990.

-30- 391
#90290c0097 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L.J. FREEMAN OF 2004 NW 26TH ST, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73107, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PHYSICIANS DISPENSING RX THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 15, 1990.

(PHYSICIANS DISPENSING RX TEL: 405 495-3545)

-30- 422
#90290c0098 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DALE J KREISMAN OF 222 GOLDSTEIN DR, HIGHLAND INDUSTRIAL PARK, WOONSOCKET, RI 02895, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,500 SHARES OF WILDEY INC. (TICKER: WILD) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10 1990.

(WILDEY INC. TEL: 203 355-9000)

-30- 424
#90290c0099 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES N JULIANA OF 11013 ROSEMONT DR, ROCKVILLE, MD 20852, HAS FILED TO SELL 47,500 SHARES OF TROUND INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: TROU) THROUGH FERRIS BAKER WATTS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(TROUND INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 212 734-7222)

-30- 433
#90290c0100 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK A CRICHTON OF #22 ROYAL WAY, DALLAS, TX 75229, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. (TICKER: ARSD) THROUGH CARL M HENNIG INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. TEL: 214 692-7872)

-30- 446
#90290c0101 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLINTON H HOWARD OF 1300 EAST ROCHELLE, IRVING, TX 75061, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,332 SHARES OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 214 541-2278)

-30- 437
#90290c0102 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAVIOR ORGANIZATION INC OF 60 EAST 42ND ST, 0, NEW YORK, NY 10165, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,000 SHARES OF POLYDEX PHARMACEUTICALS LTD. (TICKER: POLX) THROUGH MURIEL SIEBERT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(POLYDEX PHARMACEUTICALS LTD. TEL: 416 755-2231)

-30- 463
#90290c0103 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - IAN L PYKETT OF 23 LONGMEADOW RD, WESTON, MA 02193, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED NMR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ANMR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(ADVANCED NMR SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 617 275-1400)

-30- 424
#90290c0105 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DON MCKEOWN OF 72 ROCKLEDGE LOOP, TORRINGTON, CT 06790, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LASERTECHNICS INC. (TICKER: LASX) THROUGH EMANUEL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 12, 1990.

(LASERTECHNICS INC. TEL: 505 822-1123)

-30- 406
#90290c0106 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARGARET E TANZOSH OF 285 AVENUE C, NEW YORK, NY 10009, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,750 SHARES OF INGRES CORP. (TICKER: RELY) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(INGRES CORP. TEL: 415 769-1400)

-30- 395
#90290c0107 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT G PHILLIPS OF 1000 LOUISIANA ST, ALLIED BANK PLZ STE 6400, HOUSTON, TX 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF EASTEX ENERGY INC. (TICKER: ETEX) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(EASTEX ENERGY INC. TEL: 713 650-6255)

-30- 445
#90290c0108 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LORETTA KRAUS OF 10131 PEBBLE BCH DR, SANTEE, CA 92071, HAS FILED TO

SELL 3,500 SHARES OF SGI INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SGII) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(SGI INTERNATIONAL TEL: 619 452-0841)

-30- 397
#90290c0109 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARSON D SOFRO OF 13400 RIVERSIDE DR, SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91443, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,865 SHARES OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. TEL: 818 995-7000)

-30- 424
#90290c0110 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLINTON H HOWARD OF 1300 EAST ROCHELLE, IRVING, TX 75061, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) THROUGH J J B HILLIARD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 214 541-2278)

-30- 438
#90290c0111 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VICTOR A DEROSE OF 605 BISON RIDGE, 0, NAPPANEE, IN 46550, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF DE ROSE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DRI) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(DE ROSE INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 817 237-7205)

-30- 412
#90290c0113 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIDDER MEYER & MACELREE TTEES OF 200 LIBERTY ST, NEW YORK, NY 10281, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,533 SHARES OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(DOW JONES & CO. TEL: 212 416-2000)

-30- 431
#90290c0114 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COX JESSIE B 1934 TRUST OF 200 LIBERTY ST, NEW YORK, NY 10281, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(DOW JONES & CO. TEL: 212 416-2000)

-30- 419
#90290c0115 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COX JESSIE B CHARITABLE LEAD TR OF 200 LIBERTY ST, NEW YORK, NY 10281, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(DOW JONES & CO. TEL: 212 416-2000)

-30- 437
#90290c0116 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COX JESSIE B 1959 TRUST OF 200 LIBERTY ST, NEW YORK, NY 10281, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,000 SHARES OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(DOW JONES & CO. TEL: 212 416-2000)

-30- 421
#90290c0117 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CMNY CAPITAL LP OF 135 EAST 57TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF NEW LINE CINEMA CORP. (TICKER: NLN) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(NEW LINE CINEMA CORP. TEL: 212 239-8880)

-30- 423
#90290c0118 10/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - BARGAINED EMPL PLAN COLLECTIVELY OF 4949 HARRISON AVE, P O BOX 7003, ROCKFORD, IL 61125, HAS FILED TO SELL 56,200 SHARES OF SUNDSTRAND CORP. (TICKER: SNS) THROUGH NEUBERGER & BERMAN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(SUNDSTRAND CORP. TEL: 815 226-6000)

-30- 447
#90290c0119 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BARGAINED EMPL PLAN COLLECTIVELY OF 4949 HARRISON AVE, P O BOX 7003, ROCKFORD, IL 61125, HAS FILED TO SELL 431,500 SHARES OF SUNDSTRAND CORP. (TICKER: SNS) THROUGH NEUBERGER & BERMAN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(SUNDSTRAND CORP. TEL: 815 226-6000)

-30- 449
#90290c0121 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN L RUSSELL OF 4165 BIG CREEK OVERLOOK, ALPHARETTA, GA 30202, HAS FILED TO SELL 500,001 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH WEBER HALL SALE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 391
#90290c0122 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALFRED BREHMER OF 718-17TH STREET, SUITE #1335, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 249,999 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH R B MARICH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 386
#90290c0123 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A FISHMAN OF 3650 EAST SOUTH ST, SUITE 301, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 431
#90290c0124 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETRIE DONALD A TRUST OF 2002 PISGAH CHURCH RD, GREENSBORO, NC 27408, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,629 SHARES OF VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: VCEL) THROUGH SOUTHWEST SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15 1990.

(VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 919 282-3690)

-30- 471
#90290c0125 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD H RICE OF 3584 TUCKERS FARM, SIBLEY FORRES, MARIETTA, GA 30067, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. TEL: 212 399-8000)

-30- 446
#90290c0126 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRY L ANTHONY IV OF 402 NELDA DR, KINGSVILLE, TX 78363, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,000 SHARES OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX) THROUGH PETERS & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(URANIUM RESOURCES INC. TEL: 214 934-7777)

-30- 424
#90290c0127 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The Form 8 report filed at the NASD shows State Financial Services Corp.(TICKER: SFSW) lost $243,723, or $0.29 per share, for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $427,064, or $0.51 per share, for the same

period in 1989.

-30- 436
#90290c0129 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM G ALVIS OF 130 PINE TREE RD, RADVOR, PA 19087, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF INTELLIGENT ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: INEL) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(INTELLIGENT ELECTRONICS INC. TEL: 215 458-6635)

-30- 440
#90290c0130 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 28, 1990, Mid Am Inc. consummated its acquisition of 100 per cent of the outstanding common stock of Home Savings and Loan Association(TICKER: HSLD), F.A., a federally-chartered stock savings association headquartered in Defiance, Ohio.

Mid Am paid no consideration for acquisition of Home S&L Assn. but did, however, infuse $11 milllion of capital into Home S&L Assn as a result of the transaction.

-30- 630
#90290c0131 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DENNIS M OCONNOR OF 950 WINTER ST, SUITE 2300, WALTHAM, MA 02154, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,072 SHARES OF CANDELA LASER CORP. (TICKER: CLZR) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(CANDELA LASER CORP. TEL: 508 358-7637)

-30- 423
#90290c0132 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL KRAMER OF 727 BUTTERNUT DR, FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417, HAS FILED TO SELL 41,000 SHARES OF COMMAND CREDIT CORP. (TICKER: CDMD) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(COMMAND CREDIT CORP. TEL: 516 764-1117)

-30- 414
#90290c0133 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Harrier Inc.(TICKER: HARE) lost $5.27 million, or $1.03 per share, on revenues of $806,950 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $193,278, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $2.16 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 455
#90290c0134 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLOBAL CAPITAL GROUP INC OF 110 GREENE STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10012, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DIAGNOSTIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: DSIC) THROUGH GLOBEL CAPITAL SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(DIAGNOSTIC SCIENCES INC. TEL: 516 385-2340)

-30- 454
#90290c0135 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RUDOLPH NISI OF 144 VANECK DR, NEW ROCHELLE, NY 10804, HAS FILED TO SELL 148,398 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 12, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 411
#90290c0137 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLINTON H HOWARD OF 1300 EAST ROCHELLE, IRVING, TX 75061, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,580 SHARES OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) THROUGH MORGAN KEEGAN & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 214 541-2278)

-30- 443
#90290c0138 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 20-F report filed at the NASD shows

Petrolantic Ltd.(TICKER: PLAN) lost $6.21 million, or $0.58 per share, on revenues of $526,687 for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.37 million, or $0.14 per share, on revenues of $1 million in fiscal 1989.

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

-30- 505
#90290c0139 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID E WERTHEIMER OF 107 HILLCREST COURT, STUART, FL 33494, HAS FILED TO SELL 41,000 SHARES OF COMMAND CREDIT CORP. (TICKER: CDMD) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(COMMAND CREDIT CORP. TEL: 516 764-1237)

-30- 420
#90290c0140 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A STARKE TAYLOR OF 16800 DALLAS PKWY, SUITE 210, DALLAS, TX 75248, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BEAUTICONTROL COSMETICS INC. (TICKER: BUTI) THROUGH JOHNSON & RICE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(BEAUTICONTROL COSMETICS INC. TEL: 214 931-2300)

-30- 449
#90290c0141 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH F DOX OF 3928 WOODCREEK LANE, SAN JOSE, CA 95117, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,750 SHARES OF NOVELLUS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NVLS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(NOVELLUS SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 943-9700)

-30- 421
#90290c0142 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows The Fresh Juice Co. Inc.(TICKER: FRSH) earned $72,538, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.18 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $149,822 (including an extraordinary gain of $60,882), or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $1.29 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 517
#90290c0143 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED J FEIGL OF P O BOX 832809, 0, RICHARDSON, TX 75083, HAS FILED TO SELL 139,000 SHARES OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE (TICKER: SPCL) THROUGH KNIBBE FNCL GRP INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE TEL: 214 630-9825)

-30- 461
#90290c0145 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Adtec Inc.(TICKER: JAIL) earned $203,382, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $4.62 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $89,190, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $5.07 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 466
#90290c0146 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAURENCE M STRASSNER OF 2051 RICE RD, LANCASTER, PA 17603, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF NUCLEAR SUPPORT SERVICES INC. (TICKER: NSSI) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(NUCLEAR SUPPORT SERVICES INC. TEL: 717 838-8125)

-30- 438
#90290c0147 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 55,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 455
#90290c0148 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Networks Electronics Corp.(TICKER: NWRK) lost $609,547, or $0.42 per share, on revenues of $7.29 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $448,845, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $7.46 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 477
#90290c0149 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CECIL W CUPP JR OF P O BOX 5640, HOT SPRINGS, AR 71902, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF FIRST COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLR) THROUGH MORGAN KEEGAN & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(FIRST COMMERCIAL CORP. TEL: 501 371-6747)

-30- 422
#90290c0150 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HALLWOOD SECURITIES LTD OF 1601 ELM ST, PO BOX 50972, DALLAS, TX 75250, HAS FILED TO SELL 168,840 SHARES OF BANCTEXAS GROUP INC. (TICKER: BTX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(BANCTEXAS GROUP INC. TEL: 214 999-4213)

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#90290c0151 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows NDC Automation Inc.(TICKER: AGVS) lost $9,088, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.49 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $123,710, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.43 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90290c0153 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Checkrobot Inc.(TICKER: CKRB) lost $1.40 million, or $0.19 per share, on revenues of $959,400 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.47 million, or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $333,500 for the same period in 1989.

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#90290c0154 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DENNIS C MURPHY OF 9030 INDEPENDENCE CIRCLE, WESTMINSTER, CO 80221, HAS FILED TO SELL 44,308 SHARES OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(RYAN-MURPHY INC. TEL: 303 293-3835)

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#90290c0155 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Nuclear Corp.(TICKER: ANUC) lost $23,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $84,000 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $9,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $100,000 for the same period in 1989.

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#90290c0156 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARMIK OIL CO OF 200 N JEFFERSON, SUITE 500, EL DORADO, AR 71730, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF MURPHY OIL CORP. (TICKER: MUR) THROUGH MORGAN KEEGAN & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(MURPHY OIL CORP. TEL: 501 862-6411)

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#90290c0157 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROLANDO F SABLON OF 1200 BAY DRIVE, MIAMI, FL 33141, HAS FILED TO SELL 123,000 SHARES OF PRECISION STANDARD INC. (TICKER: PCSN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(PRECISION STANDARD INC. TEL: 303 572-6300)

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#90290c0158 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Cintas Corp.(TICKER: CTAS) earned $7.11 million, or $0.50 per share, on revenues of $76.36 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $5.93 million, or $0.42 per share, on revenues of $65.94 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90290c0159 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PABLO D VALENAUELA OF 455 UPPER TERRACE #3, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94117, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CHIRON CORP. (TICKER: CHIR) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(CHIRON CORP. TEL: 415 655-8734)

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#90290c0161 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROSE MCMURCHIE OF 3035 HAYES ST NE, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BIOPLASTY INC. (TICKER: BIOP) THROUGH R J STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(BIOPLASTY INC. TEL: 612 636-4112)

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#90290c0162 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID G KLING OF 610 SOMERSET DR, SLINGERLANDS, NY 12159, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(MEGA GROUP INC. TEL: 518 439-9950)

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#90290c0163 10/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL G ROIFF OF 143 NEWBURY ST, BOSTON, MA 02116, HAS FILED TO SELL

15,000 SHARES OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(CAPITOL BANCORPORATION TEL: 617 723-5300)

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#90290d0160 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 17) - The British Jaguar car manufacturer has recalled 65,300 XJS cars produced between 1978 and 1983 for changes to the petrol-feed system as a result of complaints about leaks, company sources said on Wednesday.

A Jaguar spokesman said that changes to the models, which had been sold throughout the world, and of which 18,300 had been sold in Britain, would be made without charge by Jaguar dealers.

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#90290d0170 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 17) - Leading French banks on Wednesday reduced the base rates from 10.50 percent to 10.35 percent from Thursday, in response to a reform of obligatory banking reserves which was published by the Bank of France on Tuesday.

The movement was led by the CCF bank, which was followed by the Societe Generale and by Credit Lyonnais.

But the Banque Nationale de Paris (BNP) bank said that it would not reduce its rates within the next few hours.

The move to cut rates, which had been expected, was a response to a decision by the finance ministry to reduce obligatory deposits by the banking system with the Bank of France by 26 billion francs (about 4.5 billion dollars) to 74 billion francs, thus easing charges borne by banks by 2.6 billion francs.

Some analysts had expected rates to fall by one quarter of a point, but the eventual reduction was 0.15 points.

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#90290d0180 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 17) - The British Cable and Wireless comunications group and Tokyo Information Systems (TIS) have agreed to form a joint telecommunications company capitalised at eight million dollars, Cable and Wireless said on Wednesday.

The equally-owned company will provide telefax services and will rent private networks.

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#90290d0310 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 17) - The Governor of Hong Kong, Sir David Wilson, on Wednesday urged French construction companies "to fight" to participate in projects for the port and new airport in Hong Kong.

Speaking at a meeting of the France-Hong Kong Business Association, he said: "It is up to you to fight to seize these opportunities."

He noted that the airport, with two runways, had to be built as fast as possible because the existing airport was already operating beyond forecast capacity".

The airport would be linked to the centre of Hong Kong by new road and rail bridges, he said.

The project was estimated to cost 16.3 billion dollars, and the financing would extend beyond 1997 when Hong Kong is due to become part of China.

Sir David had earlier met French External Trade Minister Jean-Marie Rausch. Ministry sources said that they discussed the problems of Hong Kong in general terms and that there was no significant point of disagreement.

In 1989 France was the 11th biggest supplier to Hong Kong, and was the fourth supplier in the European Economic Community (EEC) after West Germany, Britain and Italy.

In 1989 France had a trade surplus with Hong Kong of about two billion francs (about 394 million dollars).

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#90290d0550 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 17) - Japan's ship exports on a contract basis soared 65.2 percent from a year earlier to 115 vessels or 5.78 million gross tons in the six months to September, an industry group said Wednesday.

The contracted exports are expected to drop in the next six month period due to the Gulf crisis and the yen's appreciation, the Japan Ship Exporters' Association said.

The Middle East crisis caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2 cut Japan's contracted ship exports by 36.5 percent in August and by 5.5 percent in September, the association said without specifying the volumes.

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#90290d0700 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABU DHABI (OCT. 17) - The Gulf emirate of Abu Dhabi will no longer suffer from water shortages when a multi-billion-dollar desalination project comes on stream by the year 2000.

The project at Al-Tawila, 50 kilometers (30 miles) north of Abu Dhabi city, will produce about 110 million gallons of sweet water and 1,000 megawatts of electricity per day and serve nearly half the United Arab Emirates (UAE) population.

"It will meet the needs of the whole popultion of Abu Dhabi of more than 700,000," Abu Dhabi Water and Electricity Department Undersecretary Said Atiq told Agence France-Presse.

The project was launched in 1985 and is to cost around 14 billion dirhams (3.8 billion dollars), making it one of the biggest hydroelectric plants in the Middle East.

It will raise Abu Dhabi's output of desalinated water to 180 million gallons per day, equivalent to the total production of the UAE, which groups Abu Dhabi with six other emirates.

Like other desert Gulf states, the UAE has turned to the sea for potable water and used its immense oil wealth to build scores of desalination plants.

In contrast with their oil wealth, estimated at 500 billion barrels, Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) states are among the world's poorest in water, prompting Turkey in 1988 to propose an ambitious project to pipe water to them from its Seyhan and Cehyan rivers.

After conducting a two-million-dollar study at its expense, Turkey said the 21-billion-dolalr dual pipeline, which was also to supply Syria and Jordan, was feasible and awaited an Arab answer.

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#90290d0760 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JEDDAH (OCT. 17) - The new ruler of Dubai, Sheikh Maktum bin Rashid al-Maktum is to become vice-president and prime minister of the United Arab Emirates (Uae) in succession to his father, the Saudi Arabian daily a-Sharq al-Awsat said Wednesday.

Quoting well-informed sources, the paper said Uae president Sheikh Said bin Sultan al-Nahyan would announce the appointment during next Sunday's meeting of the Uae supreme council of rulers and ask Maktum to form a new government.

Maktum became the ruler of Dubai last week, following on from his father who

died on October 7. dpa dr jbp 171500 okt 90

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#90290d0830 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 17) - Speaker of the Ukrainian Supreme Soviet Leonid Krachuk announced on Wednesday that Ukrainian Prime Minister Vitali Massol is to resign, local journalists said.

"Last night, we had a talk between the two of us and we came to the conclusion that Vitali Massol will resign," Mr. Krachuk said.

The development follows two days of student demonstrations in the republic's capital, Kiev.

Mr. Massol's resignation was to be ratified by the Supreme Soviet later Wednesday.

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#90290d0850 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOI (OCT. 17) - The Vietnamese government has ordered street vendors, hotels, state stores and restaurants to stop selling foreign-made cigarettes or face trial and fines, the press reported Wednesday.

A ban on sales of smuggled overseas brand cigarettes, aimed at protecting the local industry, came in an August 3 directive that went into effect at the start of this month.

But makes such as Dunhill and 555 are still easy to come by under the counter here.

In a bid to enforce the ban, Prime Minister Do Muoi issued a new directive Monday, the official daily Nhan Dan reported.

The new directive said the government would continue to take steps to end the illegal imports and punish those responsible. Institutions and individuals who stepped forward and handed over their contraband would be exempted from fines or imprisonment, it added.

Those found violating the ban would be fined three times the value of their cigarettes and put on trial.

Civil servants found guilty of indulging in the illicit traffic would be "severely punished" and risked being sacked, Nhan Dan said.

Seized cigarettes would be handed over the trade ministry for reexport, it said, adding that informants would be rewarded with 30 per cent of the fine

levied on those convicted of selling or stocking overseas brands.

The sale of foreign-made cigarettes is a big business in Vietnam, with much of the trade coming from Thailand and Singapore across Vietnam's border with Cambodia.

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#90290d0880 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Vienna (OCT. 17) - Worldwide demand for oil from member countries in the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) will have increased to 23 million barrels per day (bd) in 1990 from 15.45 million bd in 1985, Opec secretary General Subroto predicted Wednesday.

In an address to an international oil conference in Jakarta, which was released to the press in Vienna, Subroto said if the Gulf crisis could be resolved and ''overhated prices'' would drop to normal levels it could be assumed that, after a period of hesitation, growth in world oil demand would pick up again.

Many Opec members had already raised their production in line with their promise to help offset the shortfall in supplies from Iraq and Kuwait.

If and when the oil supply situation returned to normal, it was expected that Opec's total sustainable production capacity would increase from about 28 million bd in 1990 to 34 and 35 million bd in the years 1995 and 2000 respectively.

Subroto pointed out that the current market situation had highlighted the need for trilateral cooperation among producers, oil companies and consuming countries to prevent steep price increases and damaging price fluctuations.

This could be done by incrasing production where this was possible, restraint on the part of oil companies in boosting stocks and a release of strategic stocks by consuming countries.

Opec found it incomprehensible that those responsible for energy policies in the consumer countries still saw ''no ground for trilateral cooperation,'' Subroto said.

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#90290d0920 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Hong Kong (OCT. 17) - The threefold rise in crude oil prices means that airlines need a ''very big fare increase'', Sir Colin Marshall, chief executive of British Airways, told a press conference here Wednesday.

Sir Colin said that the 7 per cent fare rise secured by airlines since the

beginning of the Gulf crisis was far too modest.

He maintained there was ''no justification for aviation fuel to be at the price it is today''. Fuel costs were equivalent to 12 per cent of British Airways revenue.

He predicted that higher prices would somewhat reduce the growth rate of passenger traffic next year but he was confident that there would be an annual 7 per cent growth in passenger traffic over the 1990's as a whole and that growth rates in the Asia-Pacific region would be in two-digit figures. dpa ba 171522 okt 90

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#90290d1150 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MEXICO CITY (OCT. 17) - Japanese investors paid 24 million dollars to buy golf courses in the Mexican seaside resorts of Cancun and Ixtapa, it was announced Wednesday.

The government National Tourism Promotion Fund said the Hazama Corporation bought one course in the Caribbean city of Cancun, Mexico's largest resort on the tip of the Yucatan peninsula.

The Reystar Corporation, a Hazama subsidiary, purchased the second golf course at Ixtapa, on the Pacific Ocean about 200 kilometers (120 miles) north of Acapulco.

The sales were part of a Mexican effort to attract more Japanese tourists to the country.

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#90290d1170 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Khartoum (OCT. 17) - Four men aged between 20 and 30 were executed at El Fashir in western Sudan Wednesday for murder, the Sudan News Agency Suna reported.

The men were sentenced to death four years ago by the regional court in El Fashir for shooting to death a camel owner and stealing his animal.

The execution was approved last June by the chairman of the ruling Revolution Command Council, General Omar Beshir.

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#90290d1200 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 17) - Russian leader Boris Yeltsin has proposed forming a coalition Soviet government and lambasted a compromise economic reform package

proposed by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

Mr. Yeltsin on Tuesday told the Russian parliament that the Gorbachev plan would "sabotage reforms in Russia", according to the full text of his speech, published on Wednesday by the Russian Communist Party newspaper Sovietskaya Rossia.

The Russian president suggested three possible responses to the economic crisis, including the formation of a new government to which he and Mr. Gorbachev would each appoint half of the ministers.

Mr. Yeltsin returned to form in his spectacular reaction to the Gorbachev plan to lead the country towards a market economy in his first major statement since he was injured in a car accident on September 1.

Just hours after Mr. Gorbachev's plan was distributed to members of the Soviet parliament, Mr. Yeltsin told Russian deputies that it "means catastrophe within the first few months of its application".

He said that what passed for a programme amounted to "an extra effort to maintain the administrative system outside the control of the people", and he strongly attacked the government of Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov.

He also said: "On questions of principle, the president (Mr. Gorbachev) and myself are going in the same direction, but we have a different pace for moving ahead, and different methods."

He said: "We are both open to dialogue ... but apparently this is not to everyone's taste. Our dialogue is not yet stabilised."

Mr. Yeltsin criticised Mr. Gorbachev for "yet again changing his views" although he had said when they met at the end of August "that he would support only the Shatalin programme".

This was a reference to the radical proposal for reform within 500 days which has been adopted by the Russian parliament.

Mr. Yeltsin said that the Gorbachev plan was inspired by the Ryzhkov plan, as were decrees adopted by Mr. Gorbachev since he was endowed with special powers by the Soviet parliament at the end of September.

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#90290d1260 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 17) - Japan's Federation of Electric Power Companies said Wednesday that it would participate in the U.S. Phase III project to develop a new atomic reactor.

A 600,000-kilowatt light water reactor is to be developed under the U.S. project, federation officials said, adding that research was launched last year by the California-based Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI).

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#90290d1370 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 17) - Congressional threats to repudiate the Philippines' foreign debt harmed attempts to obtain debt relief and new foreign assistance, two legislators who observed debt negotiations acknowledged Wednesday.

Senator Vicente Paterno and Congressman Gary Teves also said creditors were disappointed with Manila's growing budget deficit and the failure to undertake important economic reforms, particularly the delay in raising oil prices.

The government has been trying to slow growth of the budget deficit, which was 32 billion pesos (1.24 billion dollars) as of mid-September, far above the 21 billion peso (815 million dollar) deficit targetted for the whole of 1990.

"This mood of disappointment lessens the will of many friends of the Philippines to advocate our cause and to generate support for our requests," Mr. Paterno said.

He added that congressional threats to legislate a unilateral moratorium on the country's 27 billion dollar foreign debt "lost sympathy and interest for the Philippines."

President Corazon Aquino has long stood firm on honoring the country's foreign debt obligations but lawmakers, including Mr. Paterno, have repeatedly called for the repudiation of part of the debt.

"We had not expected the intensity and vehemence of the banks' reaction to the debt suspension resolution," Mr. Paterno said.

Mr. Teves called on the government to "continue to pursue maximum debt relief through negotiations," rather than through threats of a unilateral debt suspension.

He also called for the swift forging of an economic reform package by mid-November so that the country could get some 530 million dollars in assistance from the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank and the Japanese Export-Import Bank.

The two lawmakers acted as observers in the country's negotiations with official, multilateral and commercial foreign creditors in the United States last month.

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#90290d1410 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (OCT. 17) - The European Economic Community (EEC) agreed Wednesday to grant immediate aid of over seven million dollars for Romanian orphans, a European Commission spokesman said here.

The money, totalling 5.7 million European Currency Units (ECU's -- 7.4 million dollars), will be used to heat orphanages before the onset of winter, and to buy food and other supplies.

More than half the money will be spent on heating systems and fuel for the orphanages, particularly those for children aged under three.

The rest will go towards such supplies as milk products, vitamins and medicines for four orphanages caring for 6,000 children -- including 2,000 aged under three and 4,000 who are severely handicapped.

Last week, the European Parliament asked the EEC for emergency aid for Romanian orphans before the start of winter. A European Commission team of experts is currently in Romania to help with the distribution of aid.

The EEC is involved with the Romanian government in a programme to improve orphanages and to set up next year a training centre for para-medical staff.

Romanian orphanages care for between 100,000 and 130,000 children.

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#90290d1460 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRAGUE (OCT. 17) - Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel on Wednesday sacked his defense minister, former communist party member General Miroslav Vacek, the news agency CTK reported.

Prime Minister Marian Calfa was assigned by Mr. Havel to run the defense ministry on a provisional basis, according to CTK.

The agency said that Mr. Havel had expressed his gratitude for Gen. Vacek's "loyalty" and emphasized his contribution to the restructuring of the Czecloslovak army.

Informed sources said that the departure of Gen. Vacek, 55, was probably related to the results of an investigation carried out over the past several weeks by a committee named by Mr. Havel.

The committee examined the positions and activities of the Czechoslovak army at the time of the "Velvet Revolution" which overthrew the former communist regime last November.

At the time of the overthrow of the communist government, Gen. Vacek was chief of staff of the Czechoslovak army and a candidate member of the communist party Central Committee.

He resigned from the communist party in February, several weeks after being named defense minister.

A press conference on the results of the committee's investigation is scheduled here for Thursday.

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#90290d1590 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT 17) - The Export-Import Bank of Japan said Wednesday it would extend a loan of 7.12 billion yen (57 million dollars) to Kenya for a petroleum pipeline extension project.

The loan will be used to purchase Japanese goods and services to extend the existing Mombasa-Nairobi pipeline to Eldoret and Kisumu, the bank said.

The extension would facilitate the export of petroleum to Kenya's neighboring countries, it said.

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#90290d1750 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Lusaka (OCT. 17) - A court in southern Zambia Wednesday ordered the release on bail of Movement for Multiparty Democracy Vice Chairman Fredrick Chiluba and eight others arrested Tuesday for unlawful assembly.

The nine were released by the Choma magistrates court on a surety of 100 kwacha (3 dollars) each and ordered to appear in court agains on November 13.

They were detained, following a decision by President Kenneth Kaunda announced in September that pro-multiparty meetings were illegal.

The movement was earlier this month denied a permit to hold a national convention in Lusaka.

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#90290d1780 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAO PAULO (OCT 17) - Brazil's state oil company Petrobras is interested in prospecting and developing British oil fields in the North Sea, a British energy official said Wednesday.

Colin Moynihan, who was in Brazil to attend an energy industry forum, said Britain wanted to boost technology exchanges with Brazil, mainly in the area of

underwater drilling and production.

Petrobras is already working in the North Sea through its subsidiary Braspetro which is exploring a Norwegian oil site.

Mr. Moynihan, who was meeting with British businessmen working here in Sao Paulo, said Braspetro was well placed to win international bidding for concessions that would increase oil production in the North Sea.

He said the Gulf crisis and oil price hikes have prompted Britain to move to boost its oil production. Britain already invests some 7.8 billion dollars in the oil sector annually, he said.

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#90290d1790 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 17) - Seizures of heroin in France more than doubled over the first nine months of 1990, while cocaine seizures diminished considerably, French customs announced Wednesday.

The amount of heroin intercepted increased by more than 138 per cent in comparison with the same period in 1989, reaching 161.37 kilograms (355.01 pounds), whereas seizures of cocaine dropped by 10 percent, to 699.61 kilograms (1539.14 pounds), according to a statement from the customs bureau.

A total of 4.2 tons of drugs were seized by French customs officers during the nine-month period, with a value of 1.3 billion francs (250 million dollars).

13,078 kilograms (28,772 pounds) of hashish were also intercepted (+87 percent), along with 300 kilograms (660 pounds) of marijuana (-73 percent) and 5,489 doses of LSD (-22 percent).

-30- 1003

#90290d1950 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 17) - A powerful earthquake struck the Peru-Brazil border Wednesday, the U.S. Geological Survey reported.

Officials said the quake measuring 6.5 on the open-ended Richter scale, hit at about 1430 GMT and was centered some 700 kilometers (430 miles) east of Lima near the border with Brazil's Acre state.

There were no immediate reports on damage or casualties from the temblor.

A quake of 6.5 on the Richter scale is capable of causing severe damage.

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#90290d1990 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (OCT. 17) - East German firms virtually ceased all investment after German monetary union on July 1 and investment from west German firms remained limited, according to a survey published here Wednesday.

East Berlin's Institute for Applied Economic Research, in a study of 50 East German industrial firms, found that the introduction of the Deutsche mark caused three-quarters of them to suffer a haemorrhage of liquidity that was only halted by scrapping large investment projects.

The outlook for self-financing is likely to remain gloomy in the short term, as few East German firms will make any profits this year or in 1991, according to the survey, released by ADN news agency.

West German firms were also "very restrained" about investing in the German Democratic Republic before unification, which took place on October 3. Only 10 per cent of the East German companies questioned said they had found a western partner to provide fresh capital, the survey said.

Western investment chiefly centered on a handful of sectors likely to yield rapid profits, it found.

Heavy industries that used to benefit from large subsidies under the Communist regime, such as materials processing, machine tools and truck building, were largely ignored.

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#90290d2010 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT 17) - U.S. Secretary of States James Baker Wednesday said Iraq was politically, economically and militarly isolated, and he ruled out any concessions to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein over occupied Kuwait.

Baker told the senate's foreign policy committee that the unity of the international community in imposing U.N.-ordered Security Council sanctions against Iraq was the ''best hope'' for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis. These sanctions were biting, he added.

''The political and economic isolation of Iraq has been achieved, the costs and responsibilities for enforcing this isolation are beingfairly distributed,

economic leakage is minimal. The Iraqi economy will suffer badly, and the Iraqi war machine will be hurt.''

He said 54 countries were either directly involved in opposing Iraq in a military and economic way or had vowed to join hands in doing so.

''He (Saddam) lacks not only the political and economic option of holding

Kuwait but also the military option to succeed,'' Baker added. ''Every hope for peace in this conflict-ridden region depends on stopping Iraq's aggression and ultimately reversing his capacity for future agression.''

In Moscow, U.S. Defence Secretary Dick Cheney and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev discussed the Gulf crisis, Radio Moscow reported without giving details.

Cheney's four-day visit, which began Tuesday, comes against a backdrop of mounting tension in the Gulf and an Iraqi warning to Moscow not to disclose any military information about the country.

Iraq threatened last Friday to stop Soviet military advisers leaving for home if Moscow gave Cheney any information on Iraq's military facilities.

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#90290d2310 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 17) - The Banque National de Paris announced on Wednesday a 0.25 percent cut in its base interest rate to 10.25 percent to take effect on Friday.

The other leading French banks cut their base interest rates earlier in the day by 0.15 percent to 10.35 percent.

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#90290d2380 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 17) - The 12 mines in Gengold, the gold division of the General Mining Union Corporation (Gencor), posted a 9.5 percent hike in taxed profits for the third quarter here Wednesday.

Taxed profit came in at 117.9 million rands (46.4 million dollars) compared to 107.7 million rands (42.4 million dollars) in the June quarter.

But profits were hit by a 51.6 percent rise in capital expenditure from 39.9 million rands (15.7 million dollars) in the second quarter to 60.5 million rands (23.8 million dollars).

Profits after tax and capex were down 15.4 percent from 67.8 million rands (26.6 million dollars) to 57.4 million rands (22.5 million dollars).

A 15-16 percent annual wage hike, which is 1.4 to 2.4 percent above the current year-on-year inflation rate, and 11.8 million rands (4.6 million dollars) in redundancy pay-outs, pushed working costs up 4.7 percent, from 509.5 million rands (200.5 million dollars) in the June quarter to 533.3 million rands (210 million dollars).

Tonnage milled dropped from 3.9 million tons to 3.8 million tons, and average yield dropped from 5.3 grams of gold per ton of rock milled to 5.2 gt.

Gold production was down 2.7 percent, from 20,449 kilograms in the June quarter to 19,891 kg.

The star performer was the Unisel mine between Virginia and Welkom in the Orange Free State (OFS), which posted a 27.1 percent increase in taxed profit from 8.93 million rands (3.51 million dollars) to 11.36 million rands (4.47 million dollars).

Buffelsfontein mine near Klerksdorp, some 170 kilometres (102 miles) southwest of here, lost its position as the group's biggest producer, its 3,206 kg output down 10.8 percent on the June quarter, on the back of a 4.5 percent drop in tonnage milled and a decline in yield from 6.0 gt to 5.6 gt.

The OFS mine of Beatrix, between Virginia and Theunissen, took over top slot, producing 3,225 kg of gold, in itself a drop of 1.4 percent on the June quarter.

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#90290d2430 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PERTH, Australia (OCT. 17) - Western Australia's only metropolitan daily newspaper, The West Australian, is on the market, its owner Bell Group said Wednesday.

Bell Group, a subsidiary of the financially troubled Bond Corporation Holdings Ltd., told the Australian Stock Exchange it wished to sell a controlling interest in the paper, which is firmly established and profitable.

It would approach prospective buyers, including British media magnate Robert Maxwell, Bell Group said in a statement.

Mr. Maxwell already has a minority holding in the paper and earlier this year offered 250 million dollars (196 million U.S.) for the newspaper.

Australian Treasurer Paul Keating and the Australian Journalists' Association both rebuffed the offer.

Analysts here said Wednesday that the newspaper was worth about 200 million dollars (157 million U.S.) in the current depressed economic climate.

The West Australian is Perth's only daily newspaper since the closure six weeks ago of the Daily News, an evening paper.

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#90290d2490 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (OCT 17) - The five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council were discussing Wednesday a new U.S.-sponsored resolution concerning the resupply of food and water to foreign embassies in occupied Kuwait, diplomatic sources said.

The sources said the full Security Council could adopt the resolution by the end of the week. The Big Five -- Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the United States -- have been discussing the matter since Tuesday, they said.

Their meetings also took up a draft resolution proposed by Britain demanding compensation from Iraq once its troops withdraw from Kuwait, which Baghdad invaded August 2, the diplomats said.

The British draft resolution is only in its initial stages, they added.

A chief aim of the resolutions is to refocus international attention on the Gulf crisis following the uproar over the killing of 21 Palestinians by Israeli police while suppressing demonstrations on East Jerusalem's Temple Mount.

U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar Wednesday reaffirmed his support for "a peaceful solution (of the Gulf crisis) provided it is a just solution, in a framework of the Security Council resolutions which said that the Iraqis should withdraw from Kuwait without conditions."

Meanwhile, Iraq formally refused to allow a cargo plane loaded with medicine to fly to Kuwait as had been requested by Kuwait's U.N. Ambassador Mohammad Abulhasan, U.N. spokesman Francois Giuliani said Wednesday.

The Iraqi response was delivered to Mr. Perez de Cuellar, who relayed it to Mr. Abulhasan, Mr. Giuliani said.

Kuwait, which offered to pay the cost of the shipment, had suggested that the medicine be flown in by the International Committee of the Red Cross. Medicine is exempted from an international embargo against Iraq.

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#90290d2630 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT 17) - Three Britons have managed to escape from Iraq into Saudi Arabia, crossing the border "in the last 24 hours", the Foreign Office said Wednesday.

The three did not possess exit visas.

Two of the men who worked for a hospital in Baghdad run by a subsidiary of the Irish airline Aer Lingus were criticised by the company for their action, which it described as "very dangerous and irresponsible".

It was carried out "against the strong advice of both the British and the Irish ambassadors in Iraq", a company spokesman said.

Iraq has granted "special status" to some 200 Irish and 43 British nationals working at the Parc hospital, and the company hoped the incident would not put that in jeopardy.

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#90290d2840 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 17) - The United States and Vietnam have agreed to step up cooperation to resolve the fate of the nearly 2,300 Americans still missing as a result of the Vietnam War, General John Vessey said here Wednesday following talks with Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach.

"Mr. Thach and I have had a successful meeting ... He has agreed to all the proposals I have made and I have agreed to the proposals he has made," Gen. Vessey, who is President George Bush's special emissary on POW (Prisoners of War)MIA (Missing in Action) matters, told a press conference.

Gen. Vessey said the agreement centered on "specific technical proposals for joint investigation, information-seeking and return of remains."

During the meeting, which lasted nearly two hours and was followed by a luncheon, the two sides agreed to form a team to examine particular issues and a technical meeting would be held, perhaps in the next two weeks, Gen. Vessey said.

He added that a joint information-seeking team would then gather in Vietnam at the end of November.

Also attending the two-hour meeting were Vietnam's U.N. Ambassador Trinh Xuan Lang, his deputy Nguyen Can as well as Ann Griffiths, executive director of the National League of Families (NLF) of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Kenneth Quin and Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense Carl Ford.

On NLF reports that live U.S. prisoners were still being held in Vietnam, Mr. Thach, who is also a vice-premier, said: "I would like to say that there are not any living Americans under our control."

But he also pointed to recent reports that a former Japanese soldier had emerged from the Southeast Asian jungle 45 years after the end of World War II,

suggesting that Americans could be hiding in Vietnam without Hanoi's knowledge.

He also said that Laos, Vietnam and the United States had agreed to cooperate

on the POWMIA issue. There are 1,677 MIA's in Vietnam, 530 in Laos and 83 in Cambodia.

U.S. officials noted that Americans captured in Cambodia and Laos during the Indochina war were lost in areas then under Vietnamese control.

U.S. officials pointed out that it was the first time a cabinet-level Vietnamese official visited Washington for talks with U.S. Government representatives.

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#90290d3160 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (OCT 17) - Representatives of the Arab League met here Wednesday to deliberate on bloodshed in Jerusalem.

Because of a deep rift over the Gulf crisis, only eight of the league's 21 members were represented.

On hand were delegates from Algeria, Iraq, Jordan, Qatar, Mauritania, Sudan and Tunisia as well as the Palestinian Liberation Organisation (Plo), all of them pro-Iraq.

Anti-Iraq governments such as Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia were not represented at the urgent session called by the Plo in a bid to link the Palestinian issue with the Gulf crisis.

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#90290d3710 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 17) - Secretary of State James Baker Wednesday said a continuing arms embargo of Iraq -- even if it pulls its troops out of Kuwait -- should be considered to assure the region's security.

He told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that the United States was seeking a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

But if armed conflict proves inevitable, Mr. Baker said, legislators would be fully briefed by their leaders. He refused to say how extensive, or at what level, consultations would be between the White House and Congress.

A group of senators recommended establishing a group of legislators to consult with the White House but Mr. Baker said he had "a little bit of reservations about a formal mechanism."

Mr. Baker said even after the trade embargo is lifted against Iraq, an arms embargo should remain in place to deter future aggression.

"Some sort of continuing arms embargo -- going even to the conventional (weapons) -- would be something... that should be considered and thought through as a condition of releasing the sanctions," said Mr. Baker.

Mr. Baker made his comments in response to a question about what should be the U.S. response if Iraq pulls its troops out of Iraq. An arms embargo would still leave Baghdad with nuclear and chemcial weapons.

If Iraq withdraws from Kuwait, Mr. Baker recommended that lifting the trade sanctions against Baghdad be conditioned on Iraq reducing or destroying its stockpile of weapons.

Asked about U.S. actions in the crisis, Mr. Baker said, "The only truly effective action we can take now is to continue to heighten Iraq's political, economic, and military isolation."

Mr. Baker said that breaches of the United Nation's imposed military and trade embargo of Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait have been minimal.

He rejected accepting a reported compromise in which Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would give up Kuwait if he were allowed to keep crude oil fields near the Iraqi border, asw well as two strategic Kuwaiti islands in the Gulf.

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#90290d3890 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 15) - The United States and the Soviet Union have been sharing intelligence on terrorism and in some cases have succeeded in foiling terrorist attacks, the director of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) said Wednesday.

CIA Director William Webster told a U.S. news agency in an interview that the Soviets had been more careful about sharing information on Iraq because of concerns for the 5,000 Soviet citizens still there.

"Anything that they say that suggests they provide intelligence to us may diminish their chances" of negotiating the departure of those citizens, he was quoted as saying.

But he said the Soviet Union was "on our team" in its policy regarding Iraq and that the common stance had "opened up the opportunity to deal more frankly on terrorism" in the future, according to the report.

Without exposing its intelligence sources, Mr. Webster said, the United States had passed on warnings of terrorist threats to Soviet officials or diplomats.

In several cases, he said, "it was pivotal to their preventive action."

Mr. Webster said the Soviets also had relayed to the United States information about threats to its people. He did not elaborate.

On Iraq, the CIA director was reported to have said that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had isolated himself from his advisers and was forming his impression of events from news reports.

Any effort to overthrow Mr. Hussein would have to come from the top echelons of the military because the Iraqi president enjoys support among poor Iraqis and middle and lower level military ranks, Mr. Webster said.

On other issues, he said the United States had "pursued some important leads" arising from the files of the disbanded East German secret police, the STASI, and that the Soviets "must be wondering" how many of its spies have been compromised.

He also said Cuban President Fidel Castro does not appear in imminent danger but "he's got more pain on his hands and he's at greater risk" as a result of Moscow's cut in support for the Cuban regime.

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#90290d4050 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ENTEBBE, Uganda (OCT 17) - Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana agreed on Wednesday to open peace talks with rebels fighting his government's forces, provided they accept a cease-fire, Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni said after talks with the Rwandan leader.

Mr. Museveni, addressing a press conference after the talks in the western Tanzanian town of Mwanza, said Lt.-Col. Habyarimana had also agreed in principle to allow Rwandan refugees, from whose ranks the rebels are drawn, to return home.

Rwandan refugees based in Uganda invaded Rwanda more than two weeks ago, saying they had been forced into exile and shut out of their homeland for three decades.

Mr. Museveni said the Rwandan government had agreed to "open talks with opposition figures including Fred Rwigyema."

Mr. Rwigyema, who is a former deputy commander of the Ugandan armed forces, is the leader of the rebel force now inside Rwanda.

Mr. Museveni said the ceasefire demand was the Rwandan government's only precondition to peace talks.

Many of the rebels are deserters from the Ugandan army, who took arms and ammunition with them when they invaded north-west Rwanda from neighbouring

Uganda.

They are mostly members of the minority Tutsi tribe. Their parents fled Rwanda 30 years ago amid tribal massacres of the Tutsis by the majority Hutus.

The Hutus at that time ousted the Tutsis, Rwanda's traditional ruling class, from positions of power.

Earlier Wednesday Mr. Museveni had held talks in the Ugandan capital Kampala with Belgian Prime Minister Wlfried Martens.

Mr. Martens, whose country is Rwanda's former colonial ruler, is in east Africa for talks on trying to end the bloodshed there.

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#90290d4160 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (OCT 17) - The political impasse in the Cambodian peace process means the country's U.N. seat becomes vacant Thursday, the deadline for accrediting delegations.

The vacancy, which does not mean Cambodia is excluded from the world body, stems from an agreement reached by the tripartite resistance and the Vietnamese-backed government of Phnom Penh to form a Supreme National Council (SNC) as a provisional government.

The accord was reached last month in Jakarta as part of a U.N.-sponsored peace framework for Cambodia.

According to the accord, the SNC was to have served as repository for Cambodia's sovereignty, and would designate representatives to international bodies.

However, the SNC must delegate to the United Nations the administration of the country and the organizing of elections during a transition period, beginning with the declaration of a cease-fire and ending with the proclamation of the election results.

Cambodia's seat here has been held since 1982 by the resistance, formally called the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea. The resistance is formed by two non-communist factions -- one led by former monarch Prince Norodom Sihanouk, the other by former prime minister Son Sann -- and the Chinese-backed communist Khmer Rouge, militarily the strongest of the three factions.

Before the current General Assembly session began September 18, a decision was taken to leave the Cambodian seat vacant until the SNC designated its own representatives.

But the council has been unable to agree on a leadership and thus has named no U.N. delegation.

The Khmer Rouge and the Son Sann faction say they will accept Prince Sihanouk as chairman but refuse to let Cambodian Premier Hun Sen take the vice-chairman's post.

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#90290d4340 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (OCT 18) - An unknown scourge has cut the population of the yellow-eyed penguin, already the world's rarest penguin, by half this year according to a New Zealand scientist.

Otago Museum scientist John Darby, a world authority on the bird known to science as megadyptes antipodes, said late Wednesday that the alarming drop in numbers had been revealed by a new census.

The penguins, which average 76 centimetres (30 inches) in height, breed on parts of the New Zealand South Island coast and on sub-Antartic islands to the south.

In 1986, when only 650 pairs of adult birds returned to breed on the South Island, the yellow-eyed penguin was classified as endangered by the Conservation Department in line with internationally recognised codes.

Last year fewer than 320 breeding pairs survived and a mysterious condition in the food supply, thought to be related to the El Nino weather pattern, was blamed for the deaths of hundreds of penguins.

Mr. Darby said the population had plummeted by at least 50 per cent, with only 140 to 170 pairs of adult penguins breeding on the South Island this season.

The cause of the dramatic drop was unknown, but the birds have been hit in the past by food shortages, disease and -- on the South Island -- attacks from animals.

In an effort to save the bird, conservationists launched a fund Wednesday called the Yellow Eyed Penguin Trust.

"New Zealanders have shown the world how to save rare and endangered species," said Alan McConnon, managing director of the dairy firm Mainland Products Ltd., which pledged support.

"Without immediate and substantial community support over the next two or three years it will be too late. The yellow-eyed penguin will disappear from the mainland of New Zealand forever."

The trust will be used for a national education programme and to restore safe breeding grounds by purchasing land and fencing materials to protect penguins from predators such as ferrets, stoats and cats.

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#90290d4840 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 18) - Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. said Thursday it would triple its shipments of notebook-type computers to the United States to 15,000 units per month by April.

Matsushita officials said the increased exports are part of a plan to make the compact, lightweight notebook-type machines the centerpiece of the company's computer business in the United States, where demand for such devices is growing rapidly.

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#90290d5020 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 17) - The Japanese group Sumitomo Rubber Industries is to set up a Netherlands-based holding company to bring together its European activities at the end of the year, the company said Wednesday in a statement released here.

Sumitomo, which in 1985 bought the British-based tyre company Dunlop, said the new unit, Sumitomo Rubber Europe B.V, would have a fully paid-up capital of 11.1 billion yen (88 million dollars).

Total sales are expected to be 150 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars) per year.

The statement said that the group's main European tyre operations -- SP Tyres in Britain, SP Reifenwerke in Germany and Dunlop-France here -- would retain decision-making powers in their own local markets, as would the group's 11 European distribution companies.

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#90290d8600 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (OCT. 17) - Islanders on a remote Pacific atoll on Wednesday celebrated a record cash bonanza from their pearl harvest, Radio New Zealand (RNZ) reported here Wednesday.

Some 1,000 people on Manihiki, one of the Pacific's most beautiful atolls and part of the Cook Islands group 3,000 kilometres (1,860 miles) northeast of here, scored their biggest return ever from commercial pearl farming, RNZ said.

It said buyers from Asia and French Polynesia paid 1.3 million New Zealand

dollars (791,700 U.S) for 6,000 black pearls put up for auction, delighting the Cooks government as the farmers went on a buying spree.

Immediately after the auction, one pearl farmer bought a fully furnished house on the main island of Rarotonga and others bought cars, RNZ said.

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#90290d8650 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 17) - The Soviet Union has proposed a new payments method that is close to a prepayment system for imports of Japanese steel products in negotiations with Japanese traders and steelmakers, industry sources said Wednesday.

Under the proposed system, the Soviet Union is to deposit money in an account with a Japanese bank before the delivery of the Japanese steel products, mainly steel tubing to be used in developing the country's oil and gas reserves, they said.

They said such a payment system had previously been used only in small-scale trade contracts with local Japanese companies with low credit-ratings.

The new Soviet proposal is apparently aimed at securing a supply of steel urgently needed for energy developments as the Soviet Union was 500 million dollars behind in its payments to Japanese trading firms at one point this year, the sources said.

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#90290d8670 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 17) - A senior Bank of Japan official on Wednesday cautioned against the dollar's rapid fall against the yen and urged policy coordination among major industrial nations to prevent the U.S. currency going into a tailspin.

The official, who asked to remain anonymous - only the bank's governor can be quoted by name - spoke after the dollar fell to a 20-month low against the yen briefly in morning trading here Wednesday.

"It is troublesome for Japan to leave its currency excessively high to cushion inflationary pressures from higher oil prices when the U.S. is grappling with the Gulf crisis and an economic slowdown," he said.

"We must take into consideration policy coordination pledged by finance ministers and central bank governors of the Group of Seven nations," the source said.

The Group of Seven (G-7) comprises Britain, Canada, France, Germany, Italy,

the United States and Japan.

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#90290d9090 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAKARTA (OCT. 17) - The International Energy Agency (IEA), the oil watchdog of Western industrialised countries, on Wednesday rejected OPEC appeals for intervention to help stabilise world petroleum markets.

IEA countries were ready to act, however, if the current oil problem deteriorated, IEA Executive Director Helga Steeg said.

"The current world crude oil markets are still adequately supplied and no product shortfalls have been experienced by IEA member countries to date," Mrs. Steeg said in a speech read for her to an energy seminar here.

Oil markets were "very nervous" and the situation "manageable but not comfortable," she said.

The Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) has appealed to the Paris-based IEA to release its huge strategic reserves to ease market pressures.

Oil prices passed the 40 dollar-a-barrel barrier last week, rising from less than 20 dollars before the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

On Tuesday, OPEC ministers from Algeria, Nigeria, Venezuela and Indonesia criticised the IEA's failure to act and called for a dialogue with the IEA for cooperation in managing the oil markets.

The ministers, who were attending the seminar here, said the agency should release its strategic stocks so that prices would be brought under control before winter in the Northern Hemisphere brings increased demand.

The IEA, which comprises 21 of the 24 members of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development, holds more than one billion barrels in emergency stocks. The amount is in addition to stocks held by private oil companies in IEA member countries currently put at 67 days of consumption.

Mrs. Steeg said that following a meeting of the IEA governing board late last month, the member countries "have, so to say, their finger on the button and are ready to undertake stock draw andor demand restraint measures immediately if additional shortfalls develop."

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#90290d9140 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 17) - Motor vehicle exports by Toyota Motor Corp. and Nissan

Motor Co. Ltd. declined in the six months to September but domestic sales by Japan's two biggest carmakers boomed, according to figures released Wednesday.

Toyota also said that its overall production rose in the same period, both at home and abroad, while Nissan said its total output was unchanged with a modest increase in local production offset by a sharper decline overseas.

Exports by Toyota fell 6.1 percent from a year earlier to 836,170 vehicles in the first half while domestic registrations climbed 6.3 percent to a record 1.19 million units, a company spokesman said.

Production in Japan rose eight per cent to 2.09 million vehicles while output abroad soared 42 percent to 344,972 units.

Nissan said its exports fell 10.4 percent from a year earlier to 462,944 vehicles in the six months while domestic sales expanded three per cent to a record 684,058 million units.

Domestic output climbed 1.1 percent to 1.19 million units while overseas production fell 3.8 percent to 308,657 vehicles.

In September alone, exports by both companies also rose. But Toyota suffered its first decline in domestic sales in 18 months while Nissan posted its fifth consecutive increase. Toyota's overall production rose, however, while Nissan's output declined both in Japan and in overseas markets.

Toyota's exports fell 4.9 percent from a year earlier to 134,001 vehicles while domestic sales decreased 1.6 percent to 192,823 million units. Domestic output rose 1.5 percent to 334,373 vehicles while production overseas leapt 18.4 percent to 52,909 units.

Nissan's exports plunged 12.2 percent to 88,254 in September while domestic sales climbed 1.3 percent to 127,225 units. Production in Japan fell 2.1 percent to 203,025 while overseas output sank two per cent to 52,960 units.

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#90290d9150 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 17) - Japan's Nippon Telegraph and Telephone (NTT), France's public sector company France-Telecom and U.S. firm Southwestern Belle Corp. may form a consortium to bid for a slice of Telefonos de Mexico SA (Telemex), the Nihon Keizai Shimbun said Wednesday.

The consortium would bid 800 million dollars for some of the shares on offer for Telemex which is to be partially privatised, the economic daily said quoting sources in the United States.

"We do have an interest in this proposal, however, we haven't decided yet to

participate in the bid," an NTT spokesman said Wednesday without giving further details, although he conceded the size of the operation would require "the cooperation of several firms in some sort of consortium."

An NTT official is currently in Mexico and is due to take part Thursday and Friday in a meeting organised by the Mexican government to explain the terms of the privatisation.

Bidding for the 20.4 percent of Telemex on offer is due on November 15, although foreign firms will only be able to bid for less than half that amount, NTT said.

The newspaper said other NTT officials were also in Mexico finalising agreements with the French and U.S. firms and with other interested companies.

For NTT this initiative would the first step in internationalisation, previously blocked by the government, and could lead to markets in South America and Eastern Europe, the newspaper said.

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#90290d9170 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 17) - China's southern province of Guangdong has announced a five-year export development programme involving investments of 6.4 billion dollars, China Daily said Wednesday.

The plan also involves setting up two special zones for foreign companies and the development of a stock market, the English-language paper said.

Priority will be given to energy, communications and raw materials, three sectors which have slowed growth in the province which is tied to outside markets, exporting one fifth of its productio, mostly to Hong Kong, Macau, Japan, Taiwan and South Korea.

The programme will largely be financed by the province, with limited support from the government.

China's southern coastal provinces, like Guangdong, have seen major growth over the past decade due to Beijing's policy of opening up the country which has allowed them to offer favourable investment packages to foreign firms. They also benefit from a more relaxed control by the central government.

Guangdong's industrial growth last year was 15.9 per cent, twice the national average.

The province is currently hosting a bi-annual trade fair in its capital Guangzhou which has attracted some 5,000 foreign businessmen.

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#90290d9230 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 17) - Japanese audio manufacturer and record firm Nippon Columbia Co. Ltd. has bought 53 percent of its British sales agent Hayden Laboratories Ltd. for an undisclosed sum, a company spokesman said Wednesday.

The company said the acquisition, finalised earlier this month, aimed to improve its sales network in the Europrean Economic Community (EEC) ahead of market unification in 1993. Nippon Columbia, which markets audio equipment under the Denon brand name, already has subsidiaries in Germany and France.

The British company's sales amounted to 5.5 billion yen (44 million dollars) last year. That compares with Nippon Columbia's sales of 103 billion yen (824 million dollars), almost evenly divided between audio equipment and records.

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#90290d9270 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 17) - A five-day international motorbike fair opened here Wednesday featuring models from 80 companies including firms from China, Czechoslovakia, Hong Kong, Italy, South Korea and Taiwan.

The New China News Agency quoted Wang Lisan, the deputy director of the China automobile industry, as saying the fair would help boost Chinese exports as well as help improve production quality by reinforcing cooperation with foreign firms.

This year China hopes to produce one million motorbikes in 300 different models worth three billion yuan (630 million dollars), the official agency said, adding that motorbike exports to 24 countries are expected to be worth some 25 million dollars this year.

-30- 878
#90290d9280 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAKARTA (OCT. 17) - President Suharto Wednesday called on Indonesians to try to shed their dependence on rice as the staple diet, so the nation could continue to meet its own food needs.

"Our dependency on a single staple food should be gradually decreased...By reducing our dependency on one or two staple foods, our food need could be met

more easily, " Mr. Suharto said in a speech to commemorate World Food Day.

He urged this country of 185 million people, fifth largest in the world, to turn efforts to diversify food consumption into a long term national campaign.

Indonesia, the world's largest rice importer in the 1970s, turned self sufficient in 1984 after successive bumper harvests and rigorous policies to promote agriculture.

However output leveled off in the past few years, mainly due to land shortage. Population growth meanwhile is rapidly exceeding rice production growth.

Officials have said that total rice output was projected to fall by 0.52 percent from last year's 29.38 million tonnes to 28.9 million and tot planted with rice nationwide had shrunk this year by 2.18 percent to 229,863 hectares (568,000 acres).

Although both Mr. Suharto and Mr. Baharsyah did not name any alternative to rice in their speech, officials have in the past pointed to wheat-based food, sago, soya beans, corn (maize) and cassava as potential new components of the national diet.

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#90290d9330 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (OCT. 17) - The German central Bundesbank has injected net liquidity of 1.7 billion Deutschemarks (1.13 billion dollars) through two repurchase arrangements, the bank said on Wednesday.

The bank made available a total of 24.1 billion marks (16 billion dollars) through a 28-day repurchase arrangement of 15.9 billion marks at rates ranging from eight per cent to 8.15 percent, for tenders totalling 36.9 billion marks.

The bank accepted 44 percent of the offers at eight percent.

The second facility of 8.2 billion marks for 63 days was at rates between 8.10 percent and 8.20 percent for total tenders of 26.1 billion marks.

The facilities corresponded with the expiry of two previous arrangements totalling 22.4 billion marks.

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#90290d9460 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (OCT. 17) - Bucharest Wednesday announced a 40 percent devaluation of the Romanian leu in a bid to stabilise prices and reduce the country's foreign trade deficit.

The devaluation will take effect on November 1. Under the move, the currency will be devalued to 35 lei to the dollar from 21 lei to the dollar at present, the news agency Rompres said.

On the black market here, the U.S. currency is currently traded at a rate of up to 100 lei to the dollar.

The agency quoted National Economics Minister Eugen Dijmarescu as saying the devaluation was a step toward making the leu convertible. The government planned to achieve partial convertibility as early as January 1, 1991, Dijmarescu said.

Simultaneously, subsidies for some consumer goods will be abolished and price controls will be relaxed.

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#90290d9490 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (OCT. 17) - Taiwan's parliament handed the government a victory Wednesday when it voted to overturn legislation increasing pensions to employees of state-run firms.

The government-sponsored motion, seen as a test of confidence in the cabinet of Premier Hau Pei-tsun, passed by a vote of 168-25, overturning labor law revisions passed in July.

The ruling Kuomintang (KMT) had stalled promulgation of the legislation, which increased by an average 50 per cent the pensions of some 92,000 employees of state-run firms. Officials have said the increase would be too costly.

It was the first time the cabinet has asked parliament to reconsider a law since 1949, when KMT forces fled to Taiwan from mainland China after losing a civil war to the communists.

The vote in the KMT-dominated legislature was conducted through a secret ballot instead of by acclamation, the usual practice, apparently to protect legislators from a boycott by voters in the 1992 elections.

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#90290d9530 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH (OCT. 17) - Industrialist Armin A. Dassler, former board chairman of the German sports equipment manufacturer Puma Ag, died Sunday aged 61, the company based in Herzogenaurach announced Wednesday.

Puma became a household name in world sports by concluding advertising contracts with star figures including Brazilian football star Pele, tennis greats Boris Becker and Martina Navratilova, and footballers Diego Maradona,

Lothar Matthaeus and Rudi Voeller.

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#90290d9780 10/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DAMASCUS (OCT. 17) - Turkish President Turgut Ozal arrived Wednesday in Damascus on the last leg of a five-nation Gulf and Middle East tour focusing on the Gulf crisis, official sources said.

Mr. Ozal arrived here from Egypt, where he had talks with President Hosni Mubarak on Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

He has also been to Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Qatar.

Before leaving Ankara, Mr. Ozal had said his trip would be devoted to briefing Arab and Gulf leaders on Turkey's position in the Gulf crisis and the economic difficulties it is experiencing because of it.

Turkey is expected to lose as much as four to five billion dollars this year in lost trade and revenue because of its adherence to international sanctions against Baghdad.

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#90290e0007 10/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
San Sebastian (OCT. 17) EFE - Police bomb disposal experts early Wednesday defused a car bomb which had been parked outside a car showroom in northern Spain by suspected Basque separatists, government officials said.

A provincial government spokesman said the car, packed with 50 kg of explosives and 100 kg of shrapnel, had been parked outside a Peugeot car dealership in the Basque coastal city of San Sebastian, 390 km north of Madrid.

The car had been stolen late Monday in the city by assailants who identified themselves as members of the armed Basque separatist group ETA and tied up the vehicle's owner.

Around 2 a.m. (0100 GMT) the local traffic authority office received a telephone call from someone claiming to represent ETA warning of the car bomb.

Bomb disposal experts were rushed to the area where they located the device 20 minutes later.

The government spokesman said the bomb was defused around 9 a.m.

He said it was possible that ETA had decided to warn of the device after it failed to go off when intended.

ETA has killed more than 600 people since it took up arms 22 years ago to fight for the right to independence for the troubled Basque region.

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#90290e0011 10/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (OCT 17) EFE - Three bombs exploded in the Argentine capital early Wednesday morning, causing extensive damage but no injuries, police said.

The first bomb went off at a branch of the U.S.-based Citibank at 1:15 a.m. (0430 GMT), shattering windows and damaging the computer system. The branch is located in the Almagro district of Buenos Aires.

Fifteen minutes later a bomb destroyed the door of an office of the conservative Democratic Center Union, the third-biggest political party in the country.

The blast also broke windows and damaged facades of two buildings near the party office, located some 800 meters from the presidential palace.

A third bomb, hidden inside a cardboard box, exploded in a garbage truck after rubbish collectors picked the box up outside a state social security office.

The rubbish collectors were taken to hospital, but officials later said they had not been injured.

Police said no arrests have been made in the incidents.

-30- 1140

#90290e0033 10/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ROME (OCT. 17) EFE - Italian deputy Ilona Staller, alias "Cicciolina", has offered herself to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as a hostage and wants to visit him in Baghdad for some "love talk", according to a letter she handed over to the Iraqi embassy in Rome Wednesday.

The Radical Party deputy and porno actress said the embassy officials told her she would "in all probability" be given a visa to visit Baghdad.

But she did not say whether Iraq would take up her hostage offer.

Staller said that in her letter she reminded Saddam that the foreigners trapped in Iraq since it invaded Kuwait August 2 "are hostages forced against their will to act as barriers against a military attack" from the U.S.-led multinational force in Saudi Arabia.

The controversial deputy also criticized arms dealers "who have found in you, Saddam Hussein, a perfect patron".

"In the name of love I ask that you let me travel to Baghdad to become a hostage and a shield against the death merchants," Staller wrote.

She closed her letter to Saddam by asking the president to "renounce Kuwait and amaze all those who want to water the desert sand with blood".

-30- 1340

#90290e0034 10/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MANAGUA (OCT. 17) - Some 10,000 Nicaraguan bank workers went on strike Wednesday to protest government plans to cut back the state sector and push through huge redundancy programs, union officals said.

Most banks were effectively shut down by the strike action, although the Central Bank was open until noon.

The one-day strike action came as the government prepared to renew talks with business and trade union leaders aimed at forging a social pact for economic recovery.

Leading left-wing unions allied to the opposition Sandinista party have refused to take part in the talks and have condemned the government's plans to reduce the size of the state sector and introduce free market reforms.

Bank workers warned they may call a fresh strike for next Monday.

President Violeta Chamorro took office April 25 after beating the Sandinistas in February elections.

Since taking power, Chamorro's government has been hit by two Sandinista-backed general strikes which caused serious economic losses and brought violent clashes in which six people were killed.

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#90290e0035 10/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BRASILIA (OCT 17) EFE - A leading newspaper Wednesday quoted Brazilian Economy Minister Zelia Cardoso de Mello as saying that international banks were waging a campaign against her.

"Zelia Says That Creditors Want Her Out" was the front page banner headline of the Folha de Sao Paulo.

The widely-read Sao Paulo daily ran an exclusive interview with the minister whose alleged romance with former justice minister Bernardo Cabral has scandalized the Brazilian political scene.

Cabral, a married man of 58, resigned from his government post October four days ago after newspapers printed details of his affair with Cardoso, 37, who is single.

Cardoso told Folha de Sao Paulo that recent attacks against her coincided with Brazil's presentation of new proposals to resume interest payments on its massive foreign debt which were suspended in June 1989.

The proposals were given a cool reception in New York last week at a meeting of a Brazilian delegation, which did not include Cardoso, and a committee of 22 of Brazil's bank creditors, according to press reports.

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#90290e0058 10/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Buenos Aires (OCT. 18) EFE Argentine President Carlos Menem pledged Wednesday that a consortium headed by Spain's Iberia airlines will take over the running of Aerolineas Argentinas at the beginnning of November, an Iberia official said.

After a meeting Wednesday with Menem before he left on a 10-day tour of Europe the official, Miguel Aguilo, said the consortium was working towards a November 5 take-over of the state-owned airline company.

"Everything is ready. There are only a few small bureaucratic problems to be solved," Aguilo said.

The Argentine government has still to sign a decree authorizing the transfer of 85 percent of Aerolineas Argentinas' shares to Iberia and its partners in the consortium, the domestic carrier Cielos del Sur and the U.S. First Boston Corporation.

Under the privatization deal, the Iberia-led group has paid dlrs 130 million up front, to be followed by an similar cash payment over the next five years.

The group is also to buy more than dlrs two billion of Argentina's foreign debt on the secondary market.

The Menem government last month threatened to call off the sale following a wrangle over the payment of the first installment, which was later resolved.

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#90290f2025 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 17) UPI - The grain market shook off its early weakness and closed higher on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Corn and soybean futures rallied on short-covering and concern over a weather

system moving across the Upper Midwest. Forecasters called for strong winds and heavy rain in some areas which could damage corn and soybeans that are still in the field.

One analyst said the market was overdue for a technical rally, but also said gains could be limited until there is positive action in Washington regarding credit guarantees to the Soviet Union.

Short-covering supported wheat futures, along with news that China was in the market for 300,000 tons of export bonus wheat. There also were indications the market may have been oversold.

Commercials were on both sides of the wheat market.

Country movement generally was light.

Soybean basis levels were higher at the Gulf, while the corn basis was steady to firm.

At the close, corn was up 1 3/4 to 2 1/4, soybeans unchanged to up 4 1/4, wheat up 1 3/4 to 3 1/4 and oats up 4 1/4 to 4 1/2.

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#90290f2026 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 334.54 up 3.56.

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#90290h0042 10/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

YANGON (OCT. 17) XINHUA - MYANMAR MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE LT-GEN. CHIT SWE HAS CALLED FOR MAKING CONCERTED EFFORTS TO INCREASE FOOD PRODUCTION.

IN A SPEECH TUESDAY ON THE OCCASION OF THE 10TH WORLD FOOD DAY, CHIT SWE NOTED THAT "THE DEVELOPMENT OF AGRICULTURE IN MANY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES LED TO SPECTACULAR INCREASES IN LEVELS OF PRODUCTION. THE PREVAILING TRENDS IN POPULATION INCREASE, HOWEVER, CONTINUE TO OVERSHADOW THE MOMENTUMS."

THE TOTAL POPULATION OF MYANMAR STOOD AT 16 MILLION IN 1941, BUT HAS NOW GROWN TO OVER 40 MILLION AND IS EXPECTED TO REACH 50 MILLION BY 2000.

THE MINISTER ADDED THAT MYANMAR IS A COUNTRY GEOGRAPHICALLY ENDOWED WITH FAVORABLE CONDITIONS FOR EXPANDED AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT, AND PROMISED THE GOVERNMENT WILL BE INSTITUTING FURTHER NECESSARY MEASURES FOR MODERNIZING ITS AGRICULTURAL BASE, AND THE EXISTING ACCESS TO HIGH YIELDING VARIETIES,

IRRIGATION, CHEMICAL INPUTS AND INSTITUTIONAL CREDIT AND LOANS WILL BE ENLARGED.

ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL STATISTICS, THE VALUE OF NET OUTPUT OF MYANMAR AGRICULTURE SECTOR LAST YEAR WAS 20,544 MILLION KYAT (EQUIVALENT TO 3,260 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), AN INCREASE OF 13.3 PERCENT COMPARED TO THE YEAR BEFORE LAST.

THE MYANMAR GOVERNMENT GRANTED A TOTAL OF 1,341 MILLION KYAT (EQUIVALENT TO 212.8 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) OF AGRICULTURAL CREDITS LAST YEAR.

LAST YEAR'S PRODUCTION OF PADDY, WHEAT AND MAIZE AMOUNTED TO 13,515,000 TONS, 161,000 TONS AND 201,000 TONS RESPECTIVELY.

-30- 1661

#90290h0054 10/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 17) XINHUA - INDIA IS WITNESSING AN UNPRECEDENTED BOOM IN CABLE TELEVISION NETWORKS, WITH THEIR NUMBERS ALMOST DOUBLING OVER THE PAST ONE YEAR, ACCORDING TO A STUDY PUBLISHED HERE TODAY.

THE STUDY, CONDUCTED BY THE OPERATIONAL RESEARCH GROUP (ORG), SAID THE SUDDEN INCREASE IS DUE TO A STEEP RISE IN THE COST OF VIDEO CASSETTE RECORDER UNITS AND THE GROWING INTEREST OF ADVERTISERS IN THESE NETWORKS.

TILL 1985, ONLY 100 CABLE NETWORKS EXISTED IN INDIA. A GRADUAL INCREASE REGISTERED IN THE FOLLOWING YEARS HAS GIVEN WAY TO A SUDDEN SPURT DURING THE PAST YEAR. THE ORG STUDY ESTIMATES AT LEAST 3,450 NETWORKS ARE FUNCTIONING IN THE COUNTRY AT PRESENT, AS AGAINST 1,900 IN 1989.

THE STUDY CONDUCTED ON BEHALF OF DOORDARSHAN (INDIAN TV) SAYS AN AVERAGE CABLE TELEVISION NETWORK IN HOTELS SHOWS PROGRAMS FOR 20 HOURS THROUGH MULTI-CHANNELS, THOSE OPERATING IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS SHOW PROGRAMS FOR LITTLE OVER FOUR HOURS.

OF THE 3,450 NETWORKS, 590 ARE IN HOTELS, WHILE 2,860 FUNCTION IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS.

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#90290h0055 10/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM, OCTOBER 17 (XINHUA) -- THE GOVERNMENT OF ZANZIBAR HAS SIGNED TWO AGREEMENTS WITH THE AGA KHAN CULTURAL SERVICE TO REVIVE TOURISM IN THE INDIAN OCEAN ISLAND.

UNDER THE AGREEMENTS SIGNED IN ZANZIBAR ON TUESDAY, THE AGA KHAN SYNDICATE WILL LEASE TWO HISTORICAL BUILDINGS FOR CON- VERSION INTO A TOURIST HOTEL AND A CULTURAL CENTRE, TANZANIA NEWS AGENCY REPORTED TODAY.

THE TWO BUILDINGS ARE SITUATED IN THE FAMOUS STONE TOWN AT THE HEART OF ZANZIBAR CITY. THE BUILDINGS OF ARABIC STYLE WERE CONSTRUCTED MORE THAN 100 YEARS AGO.

THE AGA KHAN SYNDICATE WILL INVEST 2.5 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN REHABILITATING THE TWO OLD BUILDINGS UNDER THE 66-YEAR LEASE AGREEMENTS.

THE RESTORATION WORK ON THE TWO BUILDINGS IS EXPECTED TO START NEXT YEAR. THE ZANZIBAR GOVERNMENT WILL HAVE SHARES IN THE TOURIST HOTEL.

THIS IS THE SECOND TIME THAT THE ZANZIBAR GOVERNMENT HAS SIGNED AGREEMENTS WITH FOREIGN FIRMS TO PROMOTE THE ISLES TOURIST TRADE. LAST YEAR, AN ITALIAN COMPANY RENTED A SMALL ISLAND IN ZANZIBAR TO ESTABLISH TOURIST FACILITIES THERE.

THE ZANZIBAR GOVERNMENT HAS MOVED TO REVIVE TOURISM IN THE ISLES IN AN EFFORT TO DIVERSIFY ITS ECONOMIC STRUCTURE, WHICH DEPENDS HEAVILY ON CLOVE EXPORT.

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#90290h0057 10/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 17) XINHUA - OVER 1 MILLION PERSONS ARE IN THE GRIP OF FLOODS IN INDIA'S NORTHEASTERN STATES, ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING HERE TODAY.

IN MEGHALAYA STATE, 10 PERSONS HAVE BEEN KILLED AND ABOUT 6,000 OTHERS RENDERED HOMELESS FOLLOWING FLASH FLOODS IN THE GARO HILLS OF THE STATE.

OFFICIAL SOURCES SAY THAT COMMUNICATION LINKS HAD BEEN SNAPPED AND IMPORTANT HIGHWAYS SUBMERGED.

THE DAMAGE WAS ESTIMATED AT 20 MILLION RUPEES (1.17 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), THE SOURCES SAID.

IN THE NEIGHBORING STATE OF ASSAM, AT LEAST 1.5 MILLION PERSONS IN 2,670 VILLAGES ARE IN THE GRIP OF FLOODS ENGULFING THE STATE.

THE SITUATION WAS GRIM IN GOALPARA DISTRICT WITH 83,000 HECTARES OF LAND SUBMERGED, THE SOURCES SAID.

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#90290h0077 10/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NICOSIA (OCT. 17) XINHUA - THE CYPRUS ANTIQUITIES DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT AN EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY TEAM HAS UNEARTHED A BOY SKELETON DATING BACK TO 2,500 B.C. NEAR THE ISLAND'S SOUTHWESTERN COASTAL TOWN OF PAPHOS.

THE ARCHAEOLOGISTS HAVE JUST CONCLUDED THEIR EIGHTH SEASON OF EXCAVATIONS AT

MOSPHILIA, A PREHISTORIC SITE THAT LASTED FROM 4,500 TO 2,500 B.C.

THE ANTIQUITIES DEPARTMENT SAID THE ARCHAEOLOGISTS UNEARTHED THE BODY OF AN INFANT IN THE DEBRIS OF MOSPHILIA AND FOUND 40 STORAGE JARS.

IT SAID, THE FIND "PROVIDES CONSIDERABLE SUPPORT FOR THE IDEA THAT VIOLENCE AND LOSS OF LIFE OCCURRED IN THE MOMENTOUS CHANGES OF 2,500 BC IN THE EAST MEDITERRANEAN REGION.

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#90290h0090 10/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

STOCKHOLM (OCT. 17) XINHUA - THE NUMBER OF AIDS PATIENTS IN DENMARK HAS DECREASED FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE EARLY 1980'S, THE NATIONAL BOARD OF HEALTH (NBH) ANNOUNCED RECENTLY.

THE FIRST CASE OF THE DEADLY DISEASE WAS DISCOVERED IN DENMARK IN 1983. WITHIN THREE YEARS, THE RECORDED NUMBER OF OUTBREAKS WAS FEARED TO BE INCREASING AT A GEOMETRIC RATE. HOWEVER, AFTER THE MID-1980'S THE CASE RATE STARTED TO SLOW DOWN.

LAST YEAR, A TOTAL OF 171 AIDS CASES WERE FOUND IN THE COUNTRY, AND THE AIDS DEPARTMENT OF THE NBH PREDICTS THAT CASES FOR THIS YEAR WILL DECLINE TO ABOUT 164.

THE NBH SAID EFFORTS IN THREE AREAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE REDUCTION: THE POPULARIZATION OF AIDS PREVENTION KNOWLEDGE; THE SPREADING USE OF RETROVIR, A KIND OF ANTI-AIDS DRUG; AND IMPLEMENTING THE POLICY OF ALLOWING I-V DRUG-USERS TO EASILY PURCHASE NEW NEEDLES IN DRUGSTORES.

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#90290h0099 10/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 17) XINHUA - IN ONE OF THE BIGGEST SEIZURES IN THE BOMBAY ZONE, THE DIRECTORATE OF REVENUE INTELLIGENCE (DRI) SEIZED 11.2 TONS OF SILVER FROM A CONTAINER VESSEL LADEN WITH SCRAP TIRES AND TUBES FROM DUBAI.

ACCORDING TO A REPORT BY THE PRESS TRUST OF INDIA, THE METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE K.S. HOLAMBE PATIL TODAY REMANDED 11 PERSONS, INCLUDING SIX FOREIGNERS, TO POLICE CUSTODY TILL OCTOBER 22 ON CHARGES OF ATTEMPTING TO SMUGGLE SILVER VALUED AT 77.4 MILLION RUPEES (4.55 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

PRODUCING THE ACCUSED, DRI OFFICIALS TOLD THE COURT THAT THEY WERE ARRESTED FROM A SHIP WHICH ARRIVED IN BOMBAY ON MONDAY, CARRYING A CONTAINER HAVING 352 SILVER INGOTS.

ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL RELEASE, IN THE SECOND HALF OF SEPTEMBER ANTI-SMUGGLING AGENCIES IN THE COUNTRY SEIZED OVER EIGHT TONS OF SILVER VALUED

AT 55.2 MILLION RUPEES.

-30- 1033
#90290h0116 10/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 17) XINHUA - MUDANJIANG CITY IN HEILONGJIANG PROVINCE WILL START HANDLING SINO-SOVIET FRONTIER TRADE OCTOBER 20.

MUDANJIANG IS A DEVELOPING INDUSTRIAL CITY IN NORTHEAST CHINA, WITH A GREAT NUMBER OF EXPORT-ORIENTED ENTERPRISES AND A RAILWAY LINE LEADING TO VLADIVOSTOK IN THE SOVIET UNION.

SINCE 1982, WHEN THE CHINESE AND SOVIET GOVERNMENTS REACHED AN AGREEMENT TO DEVELOP FRONTIER TRADE, MUDANJIANG HAS QUICKLY DEVELOPED ITS FRONTIER TRADE WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

THE STATE COUNCIL APPROVED THE APPLICATION FOR SETTING UP THE MUDANJIANG CUSTOMS POST IN JANUARY THIS YEAR TO DEAL WITH THE INCREASING BUSINESS IN THE SINO-SOVIET BORDER AREA.

-30- 822
#90290h0130 10/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
SANTIAGO (OCT. 17) XINHUA - A HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL OF THE CHILEAN NUCLEAR ENERGY COMMISSION ON TUESDAY DENIED THE ALLEGATIONS THAT PRIVATE OR STATE-OWNED CHILEAN COMPANIES ARE BUILDING OR HAVE ALREADY MANUFACTURED SMALL-SCALE ATOMIC BOMBS.

FRANCISCO BRIEVA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COMMISSION, DENIED RECENT CHARGES THAT CHILE HAS ACCESS TO A "MINI-BOMB" WITH EFFECTS SIMILAR TO THAT OF AN ATOMIC EXPLOSION, SAYING NO ONE IN CHILE HAS THE TECHNICAL CAPABILITY TO BUILD ATOMIC BOMBS, EVEN SMALL-SCALE ONES.

BRIEVA SAID EXPERTS AT HIS COMMISSION WERE RESEARCHING NUCLEAR ENERGY, BUT ONLY FOR PEACEFUL, NON-BELLIGERENT APPLICATIONS.

THE DIRECTOR OF THE NUCLEAR STUDIES CENTER, MILLAN GALLARDO, SAID THAT THE ALLEGED ATOMIC BOMBS ARE COMPRISED OF CONVENTIONAL EXPLOSIVES AND LACK THE RAW MATERIAL NEEDED TO BE ATOMIC.

GALLARDO ALSO EMPHATICALLY DENIED THE EXISTENCE OF ATOMIC BOMBS AND EVEN THEIR TECHNOLOGIES OR RAW MATERIALS IN HIS COUNTRY.

-30- 1114
#90290h0131 10/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LIMA (OCT. 17) XINHUA - PERU AND CHILE WILL SIGN A BILATERAL AGREEMENT HERE ON THURSDAY TO COMBAT DRUG TRAFFICKING IN BOTH COUNTRIES, PERUVIAN FOREIGN

MINISTER LUIS MARCHAND STENS ANNOUNCED HERE TUESDAY.

MARCHAND STENS SAID THE SIGNING OF THE BILATERAL AGREEMENT WILL MARK THE BEGINNING OF A DECISIVE CAMPAIGN TO FIGHT DRUG TRAFFICKING BY THE COMBINED EFFORTS OF THE TWO NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES.

FOREIGN MINISTER MARCHAND STENS REITERATED WHAT PERUVIAN PRESIDENT ALBERTO FUJIMORI SAID ABOUT THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUGS, THAT DRUG TRAFFICKING CANNOT BE FOUGHT WITH ARMED FORCE ALONE, BUT BY OFFERING AGRICULTURAL ALTERNATIVES THAT WILL PROVIDE NEW SOURCES OF INCOME.

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#90290h0133 10/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LIMA (OCT. 17) XINHUA - PERU PLANS TO REOPEN ITS EMBASSIES IN KENYA AND ZIMBABWE AS SOON AS THE COUNTRY'S ACUTE ECONOMIC CRISIS HAS PASSED, PERUVIAN FOREIGN MINISTER LUIS MARCHAND STENS SAID TUESDAY.

MARCHAND STENS MADE THE REMARKS AT A SEMINAR ENTITLED "THE PROBLEM OF CONTEMPORARY AFRICA" WHICH WAS ORGANIZED BY THE PERUVIAN INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

THE GOVERNMENT OF PERU WAS FORCED TO CLOSE THE TWO AFRICAN EMBASSIES IN AUGUST BECAUSE OF AUSTERITY MEASURES NEEDED BY THE COUNTRY.

MARCHAND STENS SAID THAT PERU'S ECONOMY IS EXPECTED TO RECOVER WITHIN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

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#90290k0007 10/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 17) KYODO - NIPPON OIL CO., JAPAN'S LARGEST PETROLEUM PRODUCTS DISTRIBUTOR, WILL RAISE ITS WHOLESALE PRICE FROM SATURDAY, OFFICIALS SAID WEDNESDAY.

PRICES ON PETROLEUM PRODUCTS SUCH AS GASOLINE, KEROSENE, AND GAS OIL WILL BE RAISED BY 4.1 YEN PER LITER.

RETAIL PRICES OF THE PRODUCTS ARE ALSO EXPECTED TO RISE THE SAME DAY. TEN OTHER DOMESTIC DISTRIBUTORS HAD INCREASED WHOLESALE OIL PRODUCT PRICES BY BETWEEN 3.8-5.2 YEN BY TUESDAY.

THIS IS THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE MONTH DISTRIBUTORS WILL RAISE PRICES ON PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.

THE GULF CRISIS HAS DRIVEN UP OIL PRICES, WITH THE MIDDLE EAST DUBAI CRUDE OIL SURGING 3 DOLLARS PER BARREL THIS MONTH, COMPARED TO THE SEPTEMBER AVERAGE.

-30- 885
#90290k0016 10/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 17) KYODO - JAPANESE BANKS WILL REPORT A TOTAL OF 200 BILLION YEN IN WRITE-OFFS FOR A DEBT-RELIEF AGREEMENT WITH VENEZUELA IN THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING NEXT MARCH, INTERNATIONAL BANKING SOURCES SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE SOURCES SAID THE WRITE-OFFS HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY THEIR PURCHASES OF ABOUT 3.6 BILLION DOLLARS IN VENEZUELA'S MEDIUM AND LONG-TERM GOVERNMENT BONDS, CONVERTED FROM PART OF THE COUNTRY'S 39.7 BILLION DOLLAR DEBT. THE DEBT IS THE FOURTH LARGEST IN LATIN AMERICA.

THE WRITE-OFFS WILL HAVE LITTLE EFFECT ON THE BANKS' FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, SINCE THEY WILL BE COVERED BY RESERVES FOR POSSIBLE OVERSEAS LOAN LOSSES.

UNDER THE DEBT-RELIEF AGREEMENT BETWEEN VENEZUELA AND CREDITOR BANKS, THE BANKS MUST CHOOSE FROM A RANGE OF OPTIONS, INCLUDING PROVISION OF NEW MONEY, A 30 PERCENT CUT OF PRINCIPAL, AND AN EASIER INTEREST BURDEN.

EACH OPTION REQUIRES BANKS TO EXCHANGE THEIR CREDIT FOR NEW BONDS ISSUED BY THE VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT.

JAPANESE BANKS AGREED TO HELP VENEZUELA CURTAIL 1.4 BILLION DOLLARS IN DEBTS THROUGH INTEREST CUTS, 900 MILLION DOLLARS IN DEBT REPURCHASES, 800 MILLION DOLLARS THROUGH CUTTING PRINCIPAL, AND 500 MILLION DOLLARS BY GRADUAL INTEREST RATE REDUCTION.

THE BANKS AGREED NOT TO PROVIDE NEW MONEY, DUE TO CONCERN ABOUT THE VENEZUELAN ECONOMY.

-30- 1522
#90290k0020 10/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
SINGAPORE (OCT. 17) KYODO - NORINCHUKIN BANK, JAPAN'S CENTRAL BANK FOR PRIMARY SECTOR COOPERATIVES, HAS SET UP A REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN SINGAPORE, A MAJOR BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL DAILY REPORTED WEDNESDAY.

THE BUSINESS TIMES SAID THE MOVE STEMS PARTLY FROM THE BANK'S INTEREST IN CAPTURING FINANCING OPPORTUNITIES ARISING FROM THE INCREASING TRADE FLOW BETWEEN THE AGRICULTURAL MARKETS OF JAPAN AND THE REGION.

IT SAID THE BANK, WHICH IS MAINLY INVOLVED IN FINANCING THE COUNTRY'S AGRICULTURE, FISHERY, AND FORESTRY SECTORS, OPENED ITS FIRST REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN SOUTHEAST ASIA IN SINGAPORE ON TUESDAY.

THE SINGAPORE OFFICE WILL PROVIDE SERVICE SUPPORT TO ITS CLIENTS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA AND COLLECT INFORMATION ON THE REGIONAL ECONOMIES.

QUOTING UNNAMED SOURCES, THE DAILY SAID THE NORINCHUKIN BANKING GROUP IS NOW MOVING INTO INTERNATIONAL MARKETS BECAUSE MANY OF ITS CLIENTS HAVE EXPANDED THEIR ACTIVITIES OVERSEAS, INCLUDING INTO SOUTHEAST ASIA AND OCEANIA.

NORINCHUKIN, ONE OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST BANKS, ALSO SEEMS INTERESTED IN UPGRADING ITS SINGAPORE OFFICE TO AN OFFSHORE BRANCH WITHIN THREE YEARS, THE DAILY SAID.

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#90290k0057 10/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 17) KYODO - JAPAN'S NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. (NTT) AND THE AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CO. (AT AND T) HAVE AGREED AT A MEETING IN FLORIDA TO BEGIN OPERATING A FIFTH TRANSPACIFIC CABLE (TPC-5) IN 1996, OFFICIALS HERE SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE TPC-5 WILL HOLD MORE THAN 60,000 CIRCUITS, WHEREAS THE FOURTH TRANSPACIFIC CABLE, STARTING OPERATION TWO YEARS EARLIER, WILL HAVE A CAPACITY OF 15,000 CIRCUITS.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE BOOST IN CAPACITY REFLECTS THE RECENT INCREASE IN DEMAND IN TRANSPACIFIC COMMUNICATIONS.

THEY SAID A SIXTH TRANSPACIFIC CABLE IS UNDER CONSIDERATION, AND IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN OPERATING WITHIN THIS DECADE.

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#90290k0069 10/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 17) KYODO - A CIVILIAN HELICOPTER CRASHED IN THE SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES WEDNESDAY, KILLING ONE AND SERIOUSLY INJURING TWO OTHER PERSONS, AND ANOTHER LIGHT PLANE WAS REPORTED MISSING IN THE CENTRAL PHILIPPINES, AIRPORT OFFICIALS SAID.

MAJOR ANTONIO BABIJES, CHIEF OF THE MANILA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT RESCUE COORDINATING CENTER, SAID THE FOUR-SEATER HUGHES 500 HELICOPTER CRASHED IN ECHO LAND VILLAGE IN DAVAO CITY, ABOUT 950 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF MANILA AT NOON.

BABIJES ONLY IDENTIFIED THE INJURED PILOT, POBLETE COMRABE, AND SAID REPORTS FROM DAVAO DID NOT GIVE THE IDENTITIES OF THE LONE FATALITY AND THE OTHER INJURED PASSENGER.

IN A SEPARATE INCIDENT, HE SAID A BEECHCRAFT PLANE PILOTED BY ITS OWNER, DON SIERRA, LAST MADE CONTACT AT AROUND 5:13 P.M. TUESDAY. HE SAID THERE WAS ONE UNIDENTIFIED PASSENGER ON BOARD.

BABIJES SAID THE SINGLE-ENGINE LIGHT PLANE LEFT LAHUG ON CEBU ISLAND, ABOUT

550 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF MANILA, BOUND FOR NEARBY DUMAGUETE.

HE SAID THE PILOT RADIOED LAHUG AIRPORT AND NOTED THAT HE WAS EXPERIENCING BAD WEATHER CONDITIONS AND WOULD INSTEAD PROCEED TO MACTAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ALSO IN CEBU ISLAND.

AIRPORT OFFICIALS IN CEBU SAID THEY WERE CONTINUING THEIR SEARCH OPERATIONS.

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#90290k0072 10/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 17) KYODO - THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF JAPAN HAS AGREED TO LEND KENYA 7.12 BILLION YEN TO BUILD A PETROLEUM PIPELINE, BANK OFFICIALS SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE BANK SIGNED A BUYER-CREDIT LOAN AGREEMENT WITH THE GOVERNMENT-OWNED KENYA PIPELINE CO. TO EXTEND THE EXISTING PIPELINE BETWEEN NAIROBI AND MOMBASA FURTHER WEST.

THE MONEY WILL BE USED TO PURCHASE JAPANESE GOODS AND SERVICES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE PIPELINE SYSTEM WILL REACH SINEDET, ELDOLET, AND KISMU, MAKING IT OVER 440 KILOMETERS LONG.

THE EXTENSION OF THE PIPELINE WILL ENABLE KENYA TO EXPORT PETROLEUM TO ITS NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES, AS WELL AS SUPPLYING OIL PRODUCTS TO THE AREA, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90290k0074 10/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 17) KYODO - BRITAIN'S CABLE AND WIRELESS PLC. AGREED TO SET UP AN INTERNATIONAL VALUE-ADDED NETWORK (VAN) COMPANY WITH JAPAN'S TOYO INFORMATION SYSTEMS CO. (TIS), TIS OFFICIALS SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE NEW COMPANY, FAIR-WAY NETWORKS, WILL BE ESTABLISHED IN TOKYO BY THE END OF THIS YEAR WITH CAPITAL OF 1 BILLION YEN, EQUALLY INVESTED BY THE TWO FIRMS.

FAIR-WAY NETWORKS WILL LINK BRITAIN, JAPAN, AND THE UNITED STATES WITH MULTIPLE FAX CONNECTIONS.

THE SYSTEM ENABLES A SINGLE FAX TO TRANSMIT INFORMATION TO MULTIPLE FAXES IN THE THREE COUNTRIES THROUGH FAIR-WAY.

THE COMPANY IS ALSO PLANNING TO START EXTENSION PHONE SERVICES WITHIN PRIVATE FIRMS.

THE TOKYO-BASED TIS WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1971 TO PROVIDE NETWORKING SERVICES, SOFTWARE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES, SYSTEM INTEGRATION SERVICES, AND DATA PROCESSING SERVICES. ITS NET SALES LAST YEAR WERE SLIGHTLY OVER 359 MILLION DOLLARS.

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TOKYO (OCT. 17) KYODO - BOEING CO. DISCLOSED WEDNESDAY IT IS DEVELOPING AN 800-SEAT SUPER JUMBO JETLINER AS A SUCCESSOR OF THE B747 CURRENTLY IN SERVICE.

THIS WAS DISCLOSED BY JOSEPH SUTTER, ADVISER AND FORMER VICE PRESIDENT OF THE SEATTLE-BASED AIRCRAFT MAKER WHO SERVED AS CHIEF DESIGNER OF THE JUMBO JET, IN A LECTURE IN TOKYO WEDNESDAY.

SUTTER SAID A SERIES OF WIND TUNNEL TESTS HAVE BEEN UNDER WAY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW AIRCRAFT.

HE SAID THE SUPER JUMBO CAN CARRY 600 PASSENGERS ON INTERNATIONAL ROUTES AND ABOUT 800 ON ALL ECONOMY-CLASS DOMESTIC FLIGHTS.

MOST TECHNICAL PROBLEMS HAVE ALREADY BEEN CLEARED AND THE COMPANY NOW IS WAITING FOR DEMAND TO BE CREATED ON THE WORLD AVIATION MARKET, HE SAID.

JAPAN AIRLINES AND OTHER AIRLINES, INCLUDING BRITISH AIRWAYS AND QANTAS OF AUSTRALIA, HAVE BEEN SOUNDED OUT ON THEIR NEEDS FOR THE SUPER JUMBO, SUTTER SAID.

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TOKYO (OCT. 17) KYODO - THE WORLD'S SECOND-LARGEST DIAMOND, ON LOAN FROM THE UNITED STATES, ARRIVED IN TOKYO FOR A SHORT-TERM EXHIBITION.

WITH A TAG OF 3.2 BILLION YEN, THE SOUTH AFRICAN-TAPPED GEM WEIGHS IN AT 407.48 CARATS AND MEASURES SOME 5.4 CENTIMETERS IN LENGTH AND 3.5 CENTIMETERS IN DIAMETER. IT BOASTS A HIGH PURITY.

IT IS DUBBED THE COGNAC DIAMOND FOR ITS LIGHT BROWN COLOR SIMILAR TO THE LIQUOR.

TSURUKAME CORP., A NAGOYA-BASED JEWELER, BORROWED THE PRECIOUS STONE FROM THE U.S. OWNER TO PUT IT ON A TWO-WEEK EXHIBITION MARKING THE OPENING OF ITS BRANCH IN GINZA, ONE OF TOKYO'S BUSIEST SHOPPING AREAS.

THE DIAMOND IS TO BE RETURNED TO THE U.S. AFTER THE EXHIBITION, WHICH RUNS FROM OCTOBER 25.

THE DIAMOND, WRAPPED AND CONTAINED IN A GERALMINE BOX, WAS FLOWN INTO NARITA AIRPORT UNDER THE PROTECTION OF TWO AMERICAN SECURITY GUARDS.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 17) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that housing starts for September fell 0.6%. Analysts were expecting a much larger 2.5% decline from August's rate.

The Nikkei gains 253 points. ... Stocks are lower in London where the FTSE is off 15 points in the early afternoon. ... The dollar continues to fall. ... The yield on the long bond is at 8.87%. ... Brent North Sea crude is up 10 cents to $36.90. ... The HOUSE passes a deficit-reducing budget package that PRESIDENT BUSH vows to veto because it increases income taxes. The SENATE takes up its own plan today. Bush likes it better. ... CITICORP says third-quarter net income tumbled 38% from a year earlier because of problem loans. ... GENERAL ELECTRIC reports third-quarter net up 9%. ... SIR JAMES GOLDSMITH has agreed to swap control of CAVEHAM FOREST INDUSTRIES for HANSON PLC's 49% stake in NEWMONT MINING.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The FEDERAL RESERVE is scheduled to release September industrial production and capacity utilization figures at 9:15 a.m. EDT. Analysts estimate that industrial production will have declined 0.2% and capacity production will be down 0.3%. ... The House Banking Committee is scheduled today to hold hearings on the RESOLUTION TRUST CORP.

FROM THE BULLS:

STEPHEN LEEB, editor of "Indicator Digest" and "Personal Finance," insists that his bullish position is "not out of whack" because the market is only about three percent below where it was in mid-August. "I would still maintain -- in fact the statistics prove it -- that the market today is really no lower than it was a couple of months ago. It just seems as if it is lower. We've had this relentless barrage of nothing but bad news. But if you step back, you find most stocks are well above their lows of two months ago. ... When this market starts going up, it's not just going to go up 50 or 60 points. You are looking at a rally ... that is going to carry us back to at least 2700 and maybe further." He won't predict the bottom, however, "because panic is very tough to quantify." (CNBC's "Market Wrap-Up", 10/16)

OPPENHEIMER's MICHAEL METZ, a market strategist, believes the bear market might soon be over. He says investors would be wrong to watch for a cathartic final plunge in share prices that would give a clear signal that the end has arrived. Not enough stock is owned on margin to lead to a massive sell-off, Mr. Metz says, while mutual fund and institutional holdings have already been parred down. He expects the market to quietly develop a trading range with the bottom near current levels. (WSJ, 10/17)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The backdrop is negative and the knee-jerk reaction is to short this market," says TIM SCALA of SEQUOR GROUP. He says the market is being hurt by the confusion in government and that it may take Gramm- Rudman-Hollings sequestration to give the market any confidence. "What we really do need is a cut on the spending side and that doesn't look very likely." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/16)

KENNETH SPENCE, director of the technical analysis group at SALOMON BROTHERS, says the drop in commodity prices, and in gold particularly, is one of the most bearish indicators he currently sees for the stock market. People needing cash so badly that they are unloading tangible investments doesn't bode well for stocks, he says. Mr. Spence also sees other reasons to worry about the stock market. He was bothered last week because each day there were more than 1,000 declining NYSE issues. "When you have that kind of broad-based selling, that indicates you're not at the end of a decline. It means you are in the middle." He says, "I expect a further downside move with the 2350 support level in the Dow being broken." (WSJ and "Investor's Daily", 10/17)

STOCK MARKET:

"This shows you just how tough it is to [rebound] on a sustained basis," says HUGH JOHNSON of FIRST ALBANY CORP. "Any move up is labored because everyone's braced for shocks in the Middle East, budget talks or negative earnings reports." ("USA Today", 10/17)

Technical analyst JOHN McGINLEY of "Technical Trends Newsletter" says the market may bottom at about 2300 on the Dow. "The reason I say that is that it's kind of a range [or a round figure] and how much further can things go without some kind of a recovery." (CNBC's "Market Wrap-Up", 10/16)

There are signals of a market bottom, but it will likely take a while longer to complete, says RAY HINES of the "Wall Street Generalist." He looks for a recovery in stocks prices over the next 6-9 months which will be much stronger than most expect. Hines points to bonds and utilities as signs of a significant bottom, and says he expects global interest rates to start coming down this quarter. High energy prices are sustainable, says Hines. (CNBC "World Business", 10/17)

"This [market action] has nothing to do with fundamentals," says MARK MATHESON at CRUTTENDEN & CO. "Individual stocks are getting hammered due to panic and psychology that might not wash out for several weeks." ("USA Today", 10/17)

"The beating in financial stocks really hurt the market [yesterday]," says JON GROVEMAN, president of LADENBURG, THALMANN & CO. "The market will have a hard time staging a significant rebound unless financial stocks can benefit" from lower interest rates. ("USA Today", 10/17)

"There's a lot of nervousness right now -- a lack of confidence in the economy the government and the asset valuation of stocks," says MATTHEW KULKIN of ADVEST GROUP. ("USA Today", 10/17)

STOCK TIPS:

CITICORP did not cut its dividend even though earnings, excluding a one time gain, were only a couple of cents higher than the payout. CHEMICAL and CHASE have already cut their dividends, and JAMES HANBURY of WERHEIM SCHRODER says, "There's a lot of fear in the marketplace that more cuts are going to be happening." Hanbury says banks which are doing well like J.P. MORGAN and BANKERS TRUST have highly successful worldwide trading operations that account for 30%- 35% of revenues. Hanbury says these two companies represent the quality in the industry right now, although he is not currently recommending any banking stocks. (CNN "Business Morning", 10/17)

According to a front page article in "The Wall Street Journal," HASBRO INC., the troubled toy company, is trying to stage a comeback, but many analysts are unimpressed. "Hasbro's domestic business is sluggish," says GARY JACOBSON of KIDDER PEABODY. "The gains are clearly all on the international side, which is also benefitting from a favorable U.S. currency rate. At the end of the year Hasbro will still be stretching to post flat revenues, while profits will be down." One of the problems with Hasbro is that it hasn't created a "megahit" toy to replace the fading G.I. Joe. "My criticism isn't that the people at Hasbro haven't come up with a hit, because that's hard to do, but the amount of money they've spent not coming up with a hit," says SEAN McGOWAN a toy analyst at GERARD KLAUER MATTISON. (WSJ, 10/17)

On September 28, STEPHEN CHECK of the "Blue Chip Correlator" went 100% invested for the first time in seven months. "While everyone is extremely bearish, our numbers do not back up that view," says Check. "Uncertain times are when buying opportunities always occur." On his buy list: BROWNING FERRIS at 31 3/4, GE at 58 1/4, HEINZ at 29 5/8 and UPJOHN at 34. (CNBC "World Business", 10/17)

Even with APPLE CORP.'s new computer line, PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES analyst RICK MARTIN has downgraded the stock from a hold to a sell. He says the new

products will be "like sending an earthquake through [Apple's] product line." He says that given the current weak PC market, Apple's "transition will be painful" as it tries to grow on the back of this new line. "They've got to take their lumps and get on with the growing," concludes Martin. ("Investor's Daily", 10/17)

"Value Line Investment Survey" recommends stock in ABBOTT LABORATORIES. The newsletter says the health care product maker's earnings should average 15% to 20% annual growth in the next five years as it introduces new products and broadens its market base. ("USA Today", 10/17)

"There have been an important number of new product introductions from the pharmaceutical industry over the past couple of years that are only now beginning" to reap profits, says OPPENHEIMER's STEVEN GERBER. Companies such as ELI LILLY, MERCK, WARNER LAMBERT, AMERICAN HOME PRODUCTS and PFIZER all posted double digit earnings gains for the third quarter. But it is not all a bed of roses. "There are some concerns related to recent moves towards price controls" overseas, says Gerber. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/16)

"ITT at 40 right now is priced as if HARTFORD [its insurance unit] doesn't exist, as if it has no worth whatsoever," says newsletter editor STEPHEN LEEB. "You take a stock like ITT whose intrinsic value conservatively is $90 -- and you can make a case that it's worth $110-$120 -- trading at 40 [then] you can't reprove me for being bullish. Yes, it could go down to 37, but in six months if this stock is at 70 or 80, you're not going to believe the values that existed today." (CNBC's "Market Wrap-Up", 10/16)

Though burdened by heavy debt, some analysts believe the sell-off of BLACK & DECKER has gone too far. "I don't think Black & Decker is in extremis," says CLIFFORD RANSOM II, who advises institutional clients of FERRIS, BAKER WATTS. "This company is earning a lot of money." Mr. Ransom predicts the company will earn $1.20 a share this year and $1.80 in 1991 even with the debt. "You're paying five time [next year's] earnings for a world-class consumer and industrial brand name. This stock ought to be worth nine times earnings." (WSJ, 10/17)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"People [in the currency markets] are bearish about the U.S. budget deficit, bearish about the state of the [U.S.] economy and bearish about the congressional and presidential paralysis" on a budget deficit-reduction

agreement, says JEFFREY MONDSCHEIN, managing director in charge of foreign exchange at CONTINENTAL BANK in Chicago. (WSJ, 10/17)

"There's still some momentum here [for the dollar to fall]; but by and large, we think the medium course of the dollar is up, not down," says RICHARD WITTEN vice president in charge of foreign exchange at GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. "Most of the negative news for the dollar is out in the open," he says. "Thus, you would expect that once a budget accord is reached and U.S. interest rates drop the next move would presumably be up." (WSJ, 10/17)

HARRIS TRUST's TIM BARTON says the greenback "doesn't seem to have much of a bounce." No one is willing to step in and support the dollar and so it continues to test new lows, according to Barton. ("Investor's Daily", 10/17)

IAN SPENCE, chief dealer for MANUFACTURERS HANOVER TRUST CO., says that while "it looks like [the dollar] is going to continue to decline, I'm not convinced we're going to break substantially lower than these levels." In the short-run he sees the dollar stabilizing at 1.50 marks and 126 yen. (WSJ, 10.17)

"In the old days, people used to believe that the dollar and gold moved in opposite directions; gold was considered a good hedge against inflation," says LILIANA NEALON, a first vice president at UNION BANK OF SWITZERLAND in New York. "But today the dollar and gold don't trade" in opposite directions. (WSJ, 10/17)

"To suck in the [foreign] capital to support the deficit is going to require an incentive," says NICHOLAS HOWARD, director of European trading at JAMES CAPEL. "The incentive is not a lower dollar, the incentive would have to be higher rates." Overseas markets are viewing the U.S. as ungovernable, says Howard. "A country that can't put a budget together when its got a financing requirement as large as the United States is in one heck of a mess." (CNBC "World Business", 10/17)

When recessionary pressures arise, "the first temptation ... is to seek relief from those pressures in terms of monetary policy," says former Fed Chairman PAUL VOLCKER. He says any policy that allows for inflation "is more likely to aggravate the problem than improve it." ("Nightly Business Report", 10/16)

Bond investors have a fundamental reason to be bullish: The CRB commodity futures index has fallen sharply over the past two day to its pre-Kuwait invasion level -- even though oil, a major part of that index, remains substantially higher. "It raises the question of whether we should worry about inflation or deflation," says SCOTT WINNINGHAM, bond market analyst at STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. If prices generally are declining, bonds become more attractive investments for their guaranteed fixed income. (WSJ, 10/17)

DONALD DUERSON, who manages six municipal bond funds with $2.2 billion in

assets for FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC., says the city bonds are getting hit in a "self-fulfilling prophecy." He says that "when people are worried someone is in [financial] trouble, they won't lend him money. When they don't lend him money, he gets in trouble. But analysts say many are worth buying. SHEILA HORWITZ of WERTHEIM SCHRODER says they "are the only tax shelter in town right now." Duerson recommends buying the highest rates bonds from cities in areas feeling the least economic pinch -- such as the Pacific Northwest and the Carolinas. "A year from now, investors who bought bonds at these prices will be very happy they did," he says. ("USA Today", 10/17)

THE ECONOMY:

"I don't think we're in a recession. We have a slow economy," says MARTIN FELDSTEIN of the NATIONAL BUREAU OF ECONOMIC RESEARCH. "One month does not a recession make." ("Investor's Daily", 10/17)

"Recession or not, the economy is not growing at any rate that makes a difference," says former Fed Chairman PAUL VOLCKER. ("USA Today", 10/17)

"Everybody right now is concerned about the increased debt buildup during the 1980s," says NICHOLAS P. SARGEN, an international economist at SALOMON BROTHERS INC. "If you thought as in the 1970s that the U.S. would inflate its way out of the debt problem, you bought gold." But today, he says, "the value of real estate, stocks and junk-bond assets is declining. In that deflationary environment, gold is much less attractive." (WSJ, 10/17)

"It really is incredible [commodities] deflation," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "I mean, yesterday was the worst day since 1981. There is a threat of war in the Middle East, the price of oil is up today, and yet the price of precious metals has really taken a tremendous decline so that we really have a commodity deflation going on through here and there is only one conclusion I can reach: It is an extremely bearish signal for the economy because materials prices are leading indicator of economic activity. This decline in commodity prices can only be inferred as a very big danger signal for the economy as a whole." (CNBC's "Market Wrap-Up", 10/16)

"If we don't get into a serious deflationary trend, I think the price of gold will begin to bottom out around these levels and will stay confined between $360 and $400 [an ounce]," says PETER CARDILLO, director of commodities research at JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL INC. "Silver and platinum might work their way down just a little more, but not too much further from these levels." (CNBC's "Market Wrap-Up", 10/16)

There "was very good volume" on the precious metals market yesterday, according to FRED DEMLER, a metals economist at PAINEWEBBER. He says part of the volume was due to profit taking on the part of those who had bought gold

in the last two months, and "fresh waves of new speculative selling coming into the market." (CNN "Moneyline", 10/16)

IN WASHINGTON:

If PRESIDENT BUSH gives in here and raises the top income tax rate, "isn't it possible, in the future, that whenever one comes up short that we will just continue to raise tax rates?" asks MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. "Where does all that end?" (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/16)

In a 62 - 34 vote, the Senate passed civil rights legislation which PRESIDENT BUSH says he intends to veto on the grounds that it would spur employers to hire by quotas to protect themselves against lawsuits. "It isn't over until it's over," says SEN. EDWARD KENNEDY (D. - Mass.). "If he vetoes it, there's a good chance that the Congress will override the veto." (WSJ, 10/17)

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#90290p5764 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOUGLASSVILLE, Pa. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Kiwi Brands is introducing a comprehensive new line of products specifically formulated to care for all varieties of athletic shoes under the most demanding conditions.

The new line, under the "Kiwi Sport" brand, consists of 14 products designed to clean and protect all types of shoes used for sporting and recreational activities.

Kiwi Sport includes products for cleaning, polishing and protecting athletic shoes, in addition to a line of specialty products for the outdoor sports enthusiast that conditions and weatherproofs all outdoor leathers. Eight products in the line are designated as "NFL Locker Room Products" by the National Football League, and are being used by all 28 teams in the NFL during the 1990/91 season.

The Kiwi Sport line includes three cleaning products: two powerful Athletic Shoe Shampoos, an aerosol and a liquid; as well as Athletic Leather Soap.

There are three polishing products available: black, white and a shoe renew cream, all of which are formulated to withstand the heavy wear and flexing of athletic footwear.

Kiwi Sport also offers four products that protect and extend the life of athletic footwear and sporting equipment, including Rain and Stain Repellent, a treatment that works to repel water, dirt and oil, and Athletic Shoe and Boot Patch, a rubber-based formula for repairing rubber, leather, vinyl and canvas articles.

This line also includes Athletic Shoe Deodorant in both spray and powder forms.

For the general outdoor trade, Kiwi Sport has two Heavy Duty Water Repellents, a liquid and a spray, as well as Mink Oil for conditioning and waterproofing outdoor leather and Neatsfoot Oil for lubricating, softening and extending the life of new and used leather.

Kiwi Sport products are sold exclusively through distributors and shoe retailers who offer athletic shoes, and is not available in grocery and drug stores.

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#90290p5784 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - A new and significant transportation alliance has been formed between Airborne Express of the United States and John Nurminen Oy, the leading Finnish forwarder, to provide Airborne customers with air express and freight service to the Soviet Union, Airborne Express said today. It is an exclusive U.S. agreement.

Except for the period of the Second World War, John Nurminen Oy has had some operations in the USSR for more than 50 years. In 1969, the company entered into an agreement with Sovtransavto, the Soviet Department of Transportation, on regular truck service to Moscow and Leningrad, the first Soviet agreement of its kind with any western country and the model for future agreements. In 1988, the company established a branch office in Moscow in cooperation with Sovtransavto.

An unusual aspect of the relationship is Nurminen's ability to rely on the duplication of gauge in the railway systems in both Finland and USSR which permits Soviet railway waggons to come to Finland and accept Finnish export cargoes. Both Soviet and Finnish trucks are used in the European part of the Soviet Union. The ability to rely on these alternate modes of transportation is very important in avoiding delays currently being experienced in air service in and out of Moscow's Sheremetjavo airport.

Also important is Nurminen's cooperation with Sovtransavto which allows the company to have shipments from Finland paid to the Finnish-Soviet border with Sovtransavto collecting charges within the territory of the Soviet Union.

The relationship between Airborne and Nurminen is characteristic of Airborne's philosophy of seeking, wherever possible, strategic and often exclusive alliances with leading transportation companies in a given geographic area, who are equally eager for reciprocal access to Airborne's U.S. domestic airline and distribution systems. The U.S. company now provides service to 183 countries around the world.

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#90290p5785 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHATSWORTH, Calif. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Micropolis Corp. (NASDAQ: MLIS) today reported the following results for the third quarter 1990:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 28 1990	Sept. 29 1989	Sept. 28 1990	Sept. 29 1989
Net sales	$99,834,000	$66,502,000	$273,060,000	$226,408,000
Net income (loss)	$2,878,000	($23,657,000)	$4,180,000	($47,576,000)
Earnings (loss) per share	$.25	($2.04)	$.36	($4.12)
Common shares	11,651,000	11,578,000	11,616,000	11,543,000

Dale Bartos, chief financial officer, stated, "We are pleased to report record revenues of $99.8 million and net income of $2.9 million, or $.25 per share, for the third quarter of 1990 as compared to revenues of $66.5 million and a net loss of $23.7 million, or ($2.04) per share, for the third quarter of 1989."

Bartos continued, "Our gross margin improved to 17.8 percent as compared to 16.4 percent for the second quarter of the fiscal year. The improvement was due primarily to increased shipments of higher capacity products."

Bartos added, "Overall, bookings for the third quarter increased by 11 percent from that of the previous quarter. Orders were especially strong for the 760 megabyte and 1.2 gigabyte products. We are also encouraged by the interest in our 1.53 gigabyte product. Our backlog at the end of the third quarter has increased from that at the end of the second quarter of 1990."

Bartos concluded, "Yesterday the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California approved the settlement of the 1989 securities class action lawsuit. Pursuant to this settlement the company has paid $1 million. The company has consistently denied any wrongdoing with respect to the lawsuit. The company has, however, entered into the settlement to avoid any further expense and it is not an admission or concession on the part of the company of any fault or liability. The court's order is subject to appeal by any stockholder who objected to the settlement. The settlement has not had and will not have any material effect on the company's financial position or operating results."

Micropolis is a leading manufacturer of high-capacity, high- performance

Winchester Disk Drives used primarily in workstations and computer networks, and sold to computer systems manufacturers and distributors worldwide.

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#90290p5786 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pacific Stock Exchange (PSE) today announced that it has listed NIKE Inc. Class B Common Stock (symbol: NKE). The stock was listed simultaneously by the New York Stock Exchange.

Lee Korins, PSE chairman and CEO, stated, "NIKE's simultaneous listing is a great opportunity for the PSE to showcase its ability to compete, especially for a company that exemplifies the competitive spirit internationally. I'm confident that our two specialists will 'just do it' by making aggressive markets on our equity trading floors in Los Angeles and San Francisco."

Brian Kent of Ronald E. Melville Inc. (L.A.) and Paul A. Sweeney of D. A. Davidson & Co. Inc. (S.F.) were allocated NIKE; the PSE provides two specialists for all of its dually traded issues (issues traded on more than one exchange).

Korins added, "Combined with our extra half-hour of equity trading, the PSE furnishes investors an integrated market center by trading both NIKE stock and options here, a convenience that only exists on the floors of this Exchange."

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#90290p5789 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, Wash. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Red Lion Inns Limited Partnership (AMEX: RED) today declared a cash distribution for third quarter 1990 of 53.75

cents per unit payable Nov. 15 to unitholders of record on Oct. 31.

Red Lion Inns Limited Partnership is the owner of 10 Red Lion hotels acquired in April 1987. The 10 hotels are managed by Red Lion as part of its chain of 57 hotels in the western United States.

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#90290p5791 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

RED WING, MINN. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Pirelli Power Transmission Corporation, a company incorporated in the state of Delaware (USA), fully owned by Pirelli Trasmissioni Industriali SpA (Italy), a Pirelli Group company which is the European leader in the field of toothed and Vee power transmission belts, has acquired the assets of Durkee-Atwood, a U.S. company located in Red Wing, Minn.

Pirelli Trasmissioni Industriali SpA is charged with the management of Pirelli's power transmission manufacturing and marketing activities worldwide.

Pirelli's power transmission business employs approximately 1,100 employees, has manufacturing operations in Italy, Spain, Belgium, Brazil and Argentina and marketing companies in many other countries. The acquisition of the Durkee-Atwood business, in fact, fits in with a plan to globalize marketing and manufacturing activities. Pirelli Industrial Products Corp., the marketing company which is already active in the U.S. market in this field, will be merged into Pirelli Power Transmission Corporation.

The aims of Pirelli Power Transmission Corporation will be to supply toothed and Vee-belt power transmission systems for auxiliary drives and cam-shaft engine drives; increase penetration of distribution outlets for industrial products and of the aftermarket; and supply its power transmission systems to industrial OEM's.

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#90290p5792 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. (NYSE: BSC) today announced earnings for the company's first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 28 1990.

Net income for the first quarter was $18.0 million, or 17 cents per share, compared to $22.1 million, or 20 cents per share for the comparable

three-month period of the prior year.

Gross revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were $561.8 million as compared with $580.4 million for the same period last year.

The company said that strong performances in the mortgage and governmental bond trading areas and its correspondent clearing operations and the sale of an investment in a small company significantly contributed to the results for the quarter. The company also said that depressed retail sales levels and the uncertain market environment had negatively impacted commissions, net interest income and risk arbitrage revenues.

Alan C. Greenberg, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "The results for the first quarter reflect the earning ability of the company in a very, very difficult environment."

Annual Meeting The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. annual meeting will be held on Oct. 29, 1990, at 5 p.m., in the auditorium at the company's headquarters located at 245 Park Avenue in New York City. At the annual meeting, shareholders will be asked to vote on an amendment to the company's certificate of incorporation that would prohibit payment of greenmail and the adoption of golden parachutes and poison pills without shareholder approval.

The amendment is intended to permit shareholders to have a significant influence on these important issues affecting ownership and control of the company. Shareholders are also being asked to approve a new deferred compensation plan for the company's 152 senior managing directors. Under the new deferred compensation plan, top officials of its broker-dealer subsidiary will be able to acquire shares of the holding company's common stock by deferring a significant portion of their cash compensation for at least five years.

The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. is the holding company for Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., a leading investment banking and brokerage firm headquartered in New York City. The company is engaged in corporate finance and mergers and acquisitions, institutional equities and fixed income sales and trading, individual investor services, asset management and correspondent clearing. Through its subsidiary, Custodial Trust Company, it is engaged in securities lending and custody services. The company has approximately 5,600 employees in 13 offices worldwide. As of Sept. 28, 1990, total capital, including stockholders' equity and long-term debt, was approximately $1.40 billion. Book value per share of common stock as of Sept. 28, 1990, was $9.97 based on 96,777,465 shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Fabianne Gershon of Bear Stearns, 212-272-2400

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DALLAS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Mary Kay Corporation announced today that it had extended to midnight, Oct. 17, the period during which the holders of its 15 percent discount debentures could consent to certain proposed amendments to the terms of the debentures and receive a cash payment of $10 per $1,000 principal amount of debentures. The company also extended to midnight, Oct. 17, the period during which tendered bonds would be given priority for purchase in its previously commenced tender offer for up to 64 percent of the debentures. The tender offer remains scheduled to expire at midnight on Oct. 30.

CONTACT: Dwight Smith, 214-720-0607, for Mary Kay

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#90290p5795 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - DH Technology (NASDAQ: DHTK) today reported net income of $1,265,000, or $.25 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company reported net income of $1,559,000, or $.31 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Revenues for the quarter decreased to $9,333,000, compared to $10,798,000 for the same period last year.

Although revenue decreased, pre-tax income as a percent of revenue for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was 20.9 percent, up slightly compared to the same period in 1989. This was achieved primarily as a result of cost savings realized from vertical integration programs and the establishment of the company's own maquiladora operation at its printhead manufacturing facility in Mexico.

The company attributed the decrease in revenues to the overall slow- down in the economy which has caused the rescheduling of product deliveries and a decrease in order rates by certain customers. Assuming there is no further deterioration in the general economy, the company continues to have a positive long-term outlook. This confidence is based on planned new product introductions, existing contracts and the company's strong balance sheet.

DH Technology is a leading independent supplier of technologically advanced high-performance printheads, printer mechanisms and specialty printers. DH Technology's products are utilized by the lottery, labelling, ticketing, office automation, gasoline vending and specialty printing industries.

For additional information please contact M. Dean Gilliam, Chief Financial Officer, DH Technology Inc., 15070 Avenue of Science, San Diego, CA 92128, 619-451-3485.

CONTACT: M. Dean Gilliam, CFO of DH Technology, 619-451-3485

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#90290p5796 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW CANAAN, CONN. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Smith Corona Corporation (NYSE: SCO) announced today that for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $6.7 million, or $.22 per share. This compares with net income of $16.3 million, or $.54 per share, for the comparable quarter last year. Sales for the quarter were $118.7 million, compared to $152.2 million reported a year ago.

G. Lee Thompson, chairman and chief executive officer of Smith Corona stated, "We anticipated that the domestic consumer spending environment would continue to be soft during the first quarter; however, while revenues are down compared to last year's record first quarter, they have increased substantially from the previous quarter and have exceeded our plan. Revenues for the fourth quarter were $79.8 million. In addition, international revenues continued to grow during the quarter.

During the first quarter, Smith Corona introduced a new line of typewriters and personal word processors. These products incorporate innovative, applied leading edge technology and have been well received by the company's distribution channels and consumers.

In September, Smith Corona and Acer America Corporation announced a joint venture to develop and market a line of personal computers specifically designed for the consumer, home office and small business markets. The joint venture products, which will be available for delivery in the first quarter of calendar 1991, are a logical evolutionary line extension of Smith Corona's market-leading typewriters and personal word processors.

The company also recently announced that the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in Washington, D.C., had affirmed a trial court decision which finds that Japanese portable typewriters with text memories are covered by an existing antidumping order.

Smith Corona, based in New Canaan, Conn., is the world's largest manufacturer of portable electronic typewriters and personal word processors. The company also markets office supplies, forms and customized printed products. Smith Corona will market personal computers in early 1991.

CONTACT: Joan C. Toffolon of Smith Corona, 203-972-1471

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#90290p5798 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
DOWNINGTOWN, PA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Chester Valley Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: CVAL), parent company of First Financial Savings Bank PaSA, announced today that net income for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $344,000 compared to $360,000 for the same period in 1989 while income before taxes for

the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $579,000 compared to $560,000 for the same period during the previous fiscal year.

Ellen Ann Roberts, president and chief executive officer, stated: "We are very happy with these income results, particularly in light of the present economic and real estate conditions. Although the company experienced a slight decrease in net income from the 1989 quarter as the result of a tax refund received in the 1989 quarter, we are particularly pleased with the increase in income before taxes which was attributable to an increase in core earnings, represented by net interest income after provision for loan losses, from $1.32 million for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1989, to, $1.41 million for the same period in 1990."

The company also reported an increase in assets of 13.6 percent from $135.1 million at Sept. 30, 1989, to $153.5 million at Sept. 30, 1990. Savings deposits increased 17.2 percent from $113.37 million to $132.89 million at the respective dates.

Chester Valley's subsidiary, First Financial Savings Bank, is headquartered in Downingtown, with branch locations in Exton, Thorndale, Frazer and Westtown, Pa.

CONTACT: Bonnie Laserna or Anthony Biondi of First Financial Savings Bank, 215-269-9700.

-30- 1765

#90290p5802 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Robotic Vision Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROBV), a leading manufacturer of machine vision-based automated inspection and measurement products for improved manufacturing productivity and quality control, announced today two additional orders for its new semiconductor inspection product from Advanced Micro Devices, Inc., and VLSI Technology, Inc. The company noted that this is the second semiconductor inspection product order placed by VLSI, which purchased RVSI's initial unit earlier this month.

The three orders for RVSI's new semiconductor inspection product, along with contracts from the U.S. Air Force and Navy for work incorporating the company's 3-D Surface Mapping technology, raise RVSI's October 1990 bookings total to more than $7.5 million. RVSI posted $10.2 million in bookings in the previous 12-month period.

The company's new semiconductor inspection product is an extension of its HR-2000 system, which was originally introduced in 1989 for printed circuit board solder joint inspection. The new product uses RVSI's proprietary laser-based three-dimensional measuring technology to make significant improvements in quality control throughout the semiconductor industry.

Robotic Vision Systems, Inc., designs, develops, manufactures and markets advanced three-dimensional vision-based inspection and measurement products for industrial and military purposes.

CONTACT: Paul D. Baker of Robotic Vision Systems, 516-273-9700

-30- 1688

#90290p5805 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PERKASIE, PA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Independence Bancorp (NASDAQ: INBC) yesterday declared a quarterly cash dividend of 29 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on Nov. 9, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 30. The dividend, unchanged from the previous quarter, pays an annual rate of $1.16. Independence has approximately 11 million shares outstanding.

Independence Bancorp is a $2.6 billion bank holding company in eastern Pennsylvania.

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-30- 724

#90290p5809 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOWELL, MA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Wang Laboratories Inc. (AMEX: WAN) today introduced new client-server computing products and disclosed a number of business relationships that play an important role in the company's Innovation on Standards strategy. Wang today unveiled:

-- A set of software products that integrate the company's flagship VS mid-range systems with industry-standard PC software and local area networks (LANs) from Banyan Systems Inc., Novell Inc., Microsoft Corp., 3Com Corp., IBM Proteon Inc., and other leading developers.

-- An extension to an OEM agreement with Novell that allows Wang to resell, service, and support Novell's entire NetWare product line.

-- An OEM agreement with Proteon that allows Wang to market Proteon's ProNET-4/16 token ring twisted pair networking products.

-- Agreements with a number of third-party vendors including Netwise Inc., Graphic Software Systems (GSS), M/H Group, Easel Corporation, and Oracle Corp.

-- An extensive services program for PC LANs and third-party software. The new products support Wang's OPEN/server Architecture, and are an integral component of the company's OPEN/Architecture framework, which enables users to

choose desktop and server processing environments independent of the Wang application they desire. Within this framework, Wang is committed to providing information processing solutions on multiple platforms, using a client-server architecture, and integrating data processing, office automation imaging, voice, and networking capabilities.

The OPEN/server product family for VS systems consists of Level One and Level Two offerings. OPEN/server Level One products allow PC users on popular industry-standard LANs to access Wang applications. OPEN/server Level Two products enable users to construct enterprise-wide networks that support strategic applications built by using the client- server model. Level Two products also provide users with extensive Application Program Interfaces (APIs), tools, and training to develop mission-critical applications.

Wang's OPEN/server Level One products consist of the OPEN/server- LAN Connection family. OPEN/server -- LAN Connection is comprised of two software offerings -- PC LAN/VS ACCES and PC LAN/VS WINDOWS -- that provide industry-standard PC LAN users with VS connectivity and the ability to run a wide range of Wang data processingapplications.

PC LAN/VS ACCESS is priced from $1,250 to $10,250. PC LAN/VS WINDOWS is priced at $7,500. Both products are available immediately.

CONTACT: Linda Volpe Kincaid, 508-967-6425 or Hanne Herwick, 508-967-6405, both of Wang Laboratories, Inc.

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#90290p5812 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SACRAMENTO, CALIF. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Occupational-Urgent Care Health Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: OUCH) announced today that it had signed a letter of intent to provide workers' compensation medical cost management services in Michigan to General Motors Corp. (GM). OUCH and GM will proceed immediately to draft the definitive agreement. The letter of intent calls for OUCH to implement its comprehensive approach to medical cost containment by February, 1991, to help GM reduce its workers' compensation medical and administrative expenses. OUCH will also perform certain other administrative services which interface with existing GM systems.

"Our relationship with Electronic Data Systems Corp. (EDS), a subsidiary of GM gave us an excellent opportunity to discuss our programs with GM. After evaluating our approach, GM selected us to help them manage their workers' compensation medical and administrative costs," stated W. Robert Keen, president of OUCH. "The prospect of working with the largest industrial company in the world is generating a great deal of excitement here at OUCH. In addition to being our first Michigan customer, GM's goal is to apply technology toward making workers' compensation claim administration a smoother process for claimants and medical providers as well as for themselves. This

fits perfectly with OUCH's overall business philosophy.

"We have also contracted with 26 other new workers' compensation clients plus several new group health customers since we completed our systems conversion work in April, 1990," continued Keen. "These recent results give us confidence in our ability to continue adding and serving new clients."

OUCH is headquartered in Sacramento, and has regional headquarters in Los Angeles and Dallas. OUCH is also proceeding to open a regional headquarters in Michigan, serving the North Central States. OUCH provides medical cost management services designed to reduce workers' compensation and group medical costs. OUCH currently serves California, Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, and Oregon and will add Florida and Michigan during the first half of 1991. Additional states will be added based upon customer demand and state workers' compensation regulations, as part of a national expansion program.

CONTACT: W. Robert Keen of OUCH, 916-924-5200

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#90290p5813 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - National Quick Lube Ltd. (NASDAQ: NQLLF; Vancouver: NQL) announced that the 14th store in the chain opened in July 1990 at the corner of Bell Road and Interstate 24 in Nashville, Tenn.

The company also announced that it experienced strong car volumes during the busy summer travel season. On a weekly average basis, the peak daily average car counts ranged between 49 and 73 cars for the top (11) stores in the chain. The median count for these stores was 58 cars. Of the three remaining stores in the new chain, two averaged 40 and 41 cars respectively, with the third store just opened.

These car volumes compare favorably with the U.S. industry average of approximately 45 cars per day for a mature operation, i.e., a store in operation over four years.

NQL announced that in keeping with its tradition of delivering the highest service levels in the quick lube industry, the company has carried out a rigorous personnel training program during the past three months. This program has resulted in improved service levels and a 20 percent increase in net sales per car, up to the current level of $27.50 per car. This is $2.44 per car higher than the U.S. industry average of approximately $25.06 per car.

National Quick Lube Ltd. is the operating subsidiary of Mr. Lube International Inc. Mr. Lube International Inc. (through its wholly owned subsidiary, MLUS Inc.) is in a joint venture partnership with Humble Incorporated (a wholly owned subsidiary of the Exxon Corp.) to develop Mr. Lube quick oil change centers in the United States.

National Quick Lube Ltd. shares are traded in the O.T.C. NASDAQ System under the symbol: NQLLF and on the Vancouver Stock Exchange under the symbol: NQL. National Quick Lube Ltd. is listed in the Moody's International and Industrial Manuals.

CONTACT: Walter Stelmaschuk, president of National Quick Lube Ltd., 713-875-2934

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#90290p5814 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, CA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Frank Bluestein has been named to the new position of senior vice president, marketing, corporate for AME Inc., effective immediately, it was announced today by AME Chairman Dennis Stanfill. In his post, Bluestein will supervise marketing for all units of AME/TAV east and west coast, reporting directly to Stanfill.

Bluestein formerly held the position of senior vice president and co-general manager of TAV west coast. Dennis Imbler will now assume full responsibility for TAV, west coast.

AME is the largest full service post-production facility in the United States with offices in Burbank, Los Angeles, New York and New Jersey.

CONTACT: Murray Weissman of Weissman-Angellotti, 818-763-2975, for AME Inc.

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#90290p5815 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Cooker Restaurant Corporation (NASDAQ: COKR) today reported record sales and earnings for the third quarter of 1990. Net earnings for the quarter were $529,000, up 24 percent from $426,000 in 1989. Sales in 1990's third quarter rose 15 percent to $8,673,000 from $7,527,000 a year earlier. Earnings per share increased 25 percent to $.05 per share compared with $.04 in 1989's second quarter. Pre-tax earnings were $789,000, up 42 percent from $557,000 in the prior year's quarter.

For nine months, net earnings increased 35 percent to $1,461,000, up from $1,083,000 in 1989. Sales for the nine months rose 18 percent to $24,959,000 from $21,199,000 a year earlier. Earnings per share for the nine months were $.13 compared with $.12 in 1989. Pre-tax earnings for the nine months were $2,262,000, up 86 percent from $1,214,000 in 1989.

Weighted average shares outstanding for nine months of 1990 are 10,940,813 as compared with 8,800,302 in 1989.

Cooker owns and operates eleven full service restaurants in Tennessee, Indiana

Ohio and Michigan. Its twelfth restaurant is under construction in Cincinnati and will open in early December.

The company's common shares are traded on the NASDAQ-National Market System under the symbol "COKR."

COOKER RESTAURANT CORPORATION
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990		
	1990	1989	Percent Increase
Sales	$8,673,000	$7,527,000	15
Pre-tax earnings	789,000	557,000	42
Net earnings	529,000	426,000	24
E.P.S.	0.05	0.04	25
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	10,940,813	10,940,813	0

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990		
	1990 YTD	1989 YTD	Percent Increase
Sales	$24,959,000	$21,199,000	18
Pre-tax earnings	2,262,000	1,214,000	86
Net earnings	1,461,000	1,083,000	35
E.P.S.	0.13	0.12	9
Weighted average Shares Outstanding	10,940,813	8,800,302	24

CONTACT: William Z. Esch, vice president and chief financial officer of Cooker Restaurant Corporation, 614-457-8500

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#90290p5821 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Florida Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: FLFE) today announced that its board has selected two new directors: H. Earl Barber, attorney-at-law in Miami, and John R. Hanschmidt, senior executive vice president and chief administrative officer at Florida Federal.

Barber, 67, holds degrees in business administration and in law from the University of Miami in Florida; he also attended Columbia University School of Law in New York. For approximately 25 years, he represented the Peoples Group of National Banks in Dade County, Florida and was active in investment and operations decisions for the Peoples Credit Union. Between 1965 and 1985, he served as a director of various individual banks within the Peoples Group and, from 1985-1987, he was a director of Pan American Bank -- the institution that purchased a majority of the banks in the Peoples Group. Barber, who was elected to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of William F. Davenport Jr., is a member of the audit, asset quality review, nonperforming asset

review, and capital restoration committees.

Hanschmidt, 52, holds a bachelor's degree in marketing and industrial management and a master's degree in business administration from Ohio State University. His business experience includes an 18-year career at Huntington Bancshares, Inc. in Columbus, Ohio. From 1981 through 1984, Hanschmidt served as executive vice president of retail banking at Bancohio Corporation/Bancohio National Bank of Columbus. Prior to joining Florida Federal in December 1988, he was president of InfoSolv Corporation (a consulting firm with clients consisting principally of financial institutions) in Dublin, Ohio. Hanschmidt who was elected to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Richard L. Smith, is a member of the capital restoration committee. He also serves as corporate secretary of Florida Federal and as a director of Florida Federal Servicing, Inc., a subsidiary of the savings bank.

CONTACT: Nancy W. Basham, senior vice president-corporate communicaitons of Florida Federal Savings Bank, 813-893-1427

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#90290p5822 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Alcan Aluminium Limited (NYSE: AL) today announced the public offering in the United States of US$125 million of 9.7 percent debentures, due 1996. The debentures are priced at 99.82 percent of their principal amount to yield 9.74 percent. Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and The First Boston Corporation are co-underwriters of the offering.

Net proceeds to the company from the sale of the debentures will be used for general corporate purposes including capital spending and the reduction of short term debt.

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#90290p5823 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MATTHEWS, NC (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Family Dollar Stores, Inc. (NYSE: FDO), a discount store chain operating 1,686 stores in a 27-state area ranging as far north as Wisconsin, east to New York, south to Florida and west to Texas, reported that sales for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1990, and for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, were the highest in the Company's history, and that earnings for these periods also had increased substantially.

Sales for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1990, were $874,395,095, or 15.5 percent above sales of $756,886,681 for fiscal 1989. Net income for fiscal 1990 was $28,733,145, or 34 percent above net income of $21,517,237 a year ago and earnings per share increased to $1.04 for fiscal 1990 compared to $.78

for fiscal 1989. For the fourth quarter ended August 31, 1990, sales were $222,728,279, or 10 percent above sales of $201,979,298 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Net income was $5,689,397, or 57 percent above net income of $3,613,375 for the comparable quarter of the prior year, and earnings per share increased to $.21 from $.13.

The Company also reported the declaration by the Board of Directors of a regular quarterly cash dividend on the Common Stock of $.10 per share payable January 15, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on December 14, 1990.

In commenting on fiscal 1991, Mr. Levine stated that: "In view of growing concerns about the economy, Family Dollar is budgeting sales and expenses on a conservative basis. Our current expansion plans for fiscal 1991, which are subject to change based on developments in the economy and other factors, are to open approximately 120 new stores and close approximately 45 stores for a net addition of 75 stores. During the first quarter to date we have opened 12 stores and closed 6 stores. Sales during this same period are estimated to have increased approximately 9 percent, with an estimated 3 percent increase in sales in existing stores."

Mr. Levine concluded that: "Family Dollar is well positioned to meet the challenges of an uncertain economy. Our Company's financial strength, with no long-term indebtedness, will permit us to take advantage of opportunities, for example, in the real estate and merchandising areas. Of most importance, the good values in low priced, basic merchandise that Family Dollar offers in our no frills, low overhead, self-service discount stores are particularly attractive to a broader range of customers in this economic environment."

CONTACT: George R. Mahoney, Jr., Senior Vice President, Family Dollar Stores, Inc., 704-847-6961

-30- 2826

#90290p5824 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Forstmann & Company, Inc. has extended until 5 p.m., New York City time, on Wednesday, Oct. 17, 1990, the expiration date, withdrawal rights and proration period relating to its exchange offer for up to $60 million aggregate principal amount of the $100 million outstanding of its 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999 for an equal principal amount of its new split coupon (accrued interest) senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999.

As of Oct. 16, 1990, approximately $145,000 in outstanding principal amount of 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes had been tendered for exchange and not withdrawn.

CONTACT: Maureen Burgess of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655

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#90290p5827 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - SMS Engineering Inc., Barco Division has received a multimillion-dollar order for the first steel galvanizing line in Puerto Rico, as announced today by Jeremy C. T. Thomas, president and chief executive officer.

To be installed at Bayamon Steel Processors, the 48-inch-wide hot dip line will have a maximum capacity of 120,000 tons/year of galvanized material. Thickness will range from .02-inch to 1-inch, with coating weights of G40 to G112.

Bayamon Steel, of Bayamon, Puerto Rico, will use approximately 40 percent of the product for servicing the local market, using the company's existing tube mills, roll formers and service center operations. Excess capacity will be exported.

Scheduled for start-up commissioning in May 1991, the line will process both hot and cold rolled material. The installation will include closed-loop coating control, pickling capabilities, an induction galvanizing pot and a chromate section.

CONTACT: J.C.T. Thomas, president of SMS Engineering, 412-471-4496; or Russ Robinson of Cochran Service Group, 412-531-0464

-30- 1272

#90290p5828 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, IL (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Chemical Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: CHW) today reported record third quarter net income of $50,001,000 up 24 percent from $40,339,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share gained 20 percent to $.24 per share, compared with $.20 per share in the year-ago period. Revenue increased 23 percent to $298,612,000, compared with $242,885,000 in last year's July-September quarter.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, Chemical Waste Management earned a record $127,787,000, an increase of 23 percent over the $103,791,000 earned in the first nine months of last year. Earnings per share totaled $.62, up 22 percent from $.51 in the 9-month period one year earlier. Revenue increased to $801,809,000, a 23 percent increase over $654,515,000 achieved in the first nine months of 1989.

Earnings-per-share figures for all periods have been restated to reflect a two-for-one stock split in the form of a stock dividend distributed in October 1989.

"Results for the third quarter of 1990 added to Chemical Waste Management's strong performance during the first half of this year, in both the company's base business and remediation projects," said Dean L. Buntrock, chairman of the board of the company.

Jerry E. Dempsey, president and chief executive officer, stated that "the company's results demonstrated the importance of our national network of hazardous waste management facilities in support of the growing markets we serve. Chem Waste also benefited in the quarter from two acquisitions, UNC Geotech, Inc., and UNC Remediation, Inc."

Dempsey noted. "The two companies are engaged in providing environmental restoration and waste management services to the federal government, and were acquired by Chem-Nuclear Environmental Services, Inc., a Chemical Waste Management subsidiary."

On October 2, Chemical Waste Management announced that it would exercise its option to increase its ownership in The Brand Companies to 52.5 percent on a fully diluted basis.

Chem Waste will purchase 2,601,272 shares of Brand's common stock for approximately $21 million in cash, subject to the expiration or earlier termination of applicable regulatory waiting periods.

Under an option agreement, Chem Waste can acquire up to 55 percent of the outstanding stock of Brand, which is the nation's leading supplier of asbestos abatement, scaffolding, and related services.

Chemical Waste Management, Inc. is the largest comprehensive hazardous waste management company in the United States. It provides waste reduction, recycling and resource recovery, collection, treatment and disposal of hazardous waste, and also provides services for the management of low-level radioactive waste and mixed waste and for the remediation of environmentally impaired sites.

CONTACT: Jim Koenig of Chemical Waste Management, (708) 572-8822.

-30- 3108

#90290p5829 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEMINOLE, FLA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Superior Surgical Manufacturing Co., Inc. (AMEX: SGC), manufacturer of uniforms, career apparel and accessories, today announced that for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales increased 4 percent to $28,071,450 compared with 1989 third quarter sales of $26,927,796. Net income increased by 12 percent to $1,927,349, or $.89 per common share compared with net income of $1,723,379 or $.76 per common share in the 1989 third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales were up 6 percent to $90,674,448 compared with sales of $85,452,907 in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for the nine month period increased by 22 percent to $6,311,366 or $2.90 per common share compared to net income of $5,180,083 or $2.28 per common share in the same period of 1989.

Superior Surgical manufactures and sells a wide range of uniforms, career apparel and accessories for the hospital and healthcare fields; hotels; fast food and other restaurants; and public safety, industrial, transportation and commercial markets.

SUPERIOR SURGICAL MFG. CO., INC.

Comparative figures are as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
	Unaudited	
Net Sales	$28,071,450	$26,927,796
Earnings before Income Taxes	$ 3,062,349	$ 2,733,379
Provision for Income Taxes	$ 1,135,000	$ 1,010,000
Net Income	$ 1,927,349	$ 1,723,379
Net Income per Share	$ .89	$ .76
Average Shares Outstanding	2,161,228	2,274,386

	For the Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
	Unaudited	
Net Sales	$90,674,448	$85,452,907
Earnings before Income Taxes	$10,021,366	$ 8,220,083
Provision for Income Taxes	$ 3,710,000	$ 3,040,000
Net Income	$ 6,311,366	$ 5,180,083
Net Income Per Share	$ 2.90	$ 2.28
Average Shares Outstanding	2,177,127	2,271,963

CONTACT: Gerald M. Benstock, chairman and CEO of Superior Surgical Mfg. Co., Inc., 813-397-9611

-30- 2604

#90290p5831 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of The Columbia Gas System Inc. (NYSE: CG) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 55 cents per share, payable Nov. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 25.

Approximately 47.8 million shares of Columbia common stock are outstanding.

The Columbia Gas System Inc. is one of the nation's largest natural gas systems. Subsidiary companies are engaged in the exploration, production,

purchase, storage, transmission and distribution of natural gas. Columbia companies serve, directly or indirectly, more than 8 million customers in 14 states and the District of Columbia.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Kroger Co. (NYSE: KR) said today that continuing strong sales and reduced interest expense resulted in third quarter net earnings of $464,420, or one cent per share, compared to a loss of $5.3 million, or a loss of 7 cents per share, in the 1989 third quarter. Last year's results included an after-tax gain of $18.7 million from the sale of assets and an extraordinary loss of $1.3 million related to the early retirement of debt.

Third quarter 1990 operating cash flow from continuing operations (pre-tax earnings before interest, depreciation, and LIFO) totaled $260.8 million, a 7.2 percent increase over operating cash flow of $243.4 million in last year's third quarter.

Sales in the third quarter rose 8.0 percent to $5.974 billion from $5.534 billion. Supermarket sales continued their strong momentum, with identical store sales increasing 6.6 percent over the previous year, well ahead of the rate of food price inflation.

For the first three quarters of 1990, Kroger reported net earnings of $15.5 million, or 18 cents per share, versus a net loss of $26.8 million, or a loss of 36 cents per share. Last year's results include the gain from the sale of assets and an extra-ordinary loss of $5.2 million from the early retirement of debt. Operating cash flow improved 4.0 percent to $693.9 million, versus $667.1 million last year. Sales from continuing units totaled $15.275 billion a 7.7 percent increase over 1989 third quarter sales of $14.179 billion.

Kroger Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Joseph A. Pichler said third quarter results were in line with Company expectations.

He noted that the improvement in identical store sales in the third quarter and year-to-date is well ahead of the supermarket industry average, and also above food price inflation, which is running in the 3.5 percent to 4 percent range. "As we move into the fourth quarter -- the most important sales period for Kroger -- our identical store performance shows that we are protecting our market share and building our business for the long term," Pichler said.

Kroger President Richard L. Bere added that the third quarter performance demonstrates the Company's ability to produce strong results in an environment characterized by increased competition and growing economic concerns.

Kroger's interest expense declined 12.1 percent in the quarter to $168.5 million. Year to date, interest expense is down 12.3 percent from the previous year, the result of lower overall debt and reduced borrowing costs.

In addition, the Company achieved its second interest rate reduction of 1/4 of 1 percent allowed under Kroger's restated credit agreement with its major lending banks. The latest reduction becomes effective on December 20. The first 1/4 of 1 percent reduction became effective in June.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Pacific Bancorporation Northwest today reported net income of $28.6 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, and $76 million for the year-to-date, an increase of 28 and 16 percent, respectively, over the same 1989 periods.

In 1989, net operating income was $22.2 million for the quarter and $65.5 million for the year-to-date (excluding a non-recurring gain of $3.3 million during the first quarter of 1989).

The performance of Security Pacific Bank Oregon and Security Pacific Savings Bank contributed to the increase in third quarter net income. The 1990 results also include Security Pacific Bank Canada's activities, and some other changes between affiliates. Results for comparable periods have been adjusted to reflect these changes.

Security Pacific Bancorporation Northwest Chairman and Chief Executive Officer John Getzelman said, "Security Pacific is solidly positioned to continue to meet the financial needs of our customers in the months ahead."

At quarter end, the company's consolidated total assets were $10.8 billion, an increase of eight percent over the same period last year. The increase is attributed to expansion efforts, including the second quarter acquisition of Gibraltar Savings Bank, and growth in consumer and residential real estate lending. The company's non-performing assets decreased slightly, since year end, taking into account adjustments for expansion.

Getzelman said, "Security Pacific's financial strength and stability afford the company the flexibility to continue to pursue growth opportunities in order to make the bank more accessible to customers throughout the Northwest.

"Security Pacific's third quarter acquisition of Idaho-based Mountain West Savings Bank (now Security Pacific Bank Idaho, FSB) is an excellent example of our expansion strategy," he added. "This is the first time Security Pacific's

vast array of financial products and services has been available to the Idaho marketplace."

The Mountain West Savings Bank acquisition, completed on Aug. 27, provided the company with $343 million in assets and ten branches. In June, ground was broken for a Boise, Idaho, office.

Security Pacific Bancorporation Northwest is a Seattle-based, multi-bank holding company with assets of $10.8 billion and subsidiaries operating in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Alaska and Canada. The bancorporation is an affiliate of Security Pacific Corp. (NYSE: SPC), the nation's fifth-largest banking company.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Anadarko Petroleum Corporation (NYSE: APC) today announced a significant oil discovery made by its Canadian subsidiary, Anadarko Petroleum of Canada, Ltd.

The Anadarko 10-1-10-17-W4M well, located in southern Alberta about two miles northwest of the main Taber reservoir, penetrated 37 net feet of oil pay in the Lower Mannville sandstone. The well has been completed through perforations between 3,186 feet and 3,227 feet. The well swabbed on a short-term test at a calculated rate of over 400 barrels of oil per day (BOPD). Based on this test, Anadarko expects to make a top allowable producer at a rate of at least 125 BOPD.

Anadarko owns a 100 percent working interest in the well and controls 3,360 net acres in the immediate area, including the direct offset well locations where additional development drilling is planned.

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BUFFALO, N.Y. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - First Empire State ("First Empire") (AMEX: FES) announced today that its board of directors yesterday declared a quarterly cash dividend of 35 cents per share. This represents an increase of 17 percent, or 5 cents, from the former quarterly dividend payment. The divided will be paid Dec. 18, 1990 to stockholders of record on Nov. 27, 1990.

First Empire is a $7.3 billion bank holding company headquartered in Buffalo, N.Y. Its principal subsidiaries include Manufacturers and Traders Trust

Company (Buffalo, N.Y.), The East New York Savings Bank (New York City), and The First National Bank of Highland (Highland, N.Y.)

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) today reported third quarter revenue gains of 20 percent over the year ago quarter, and a net loss of $176 million, as expected, due to a one-time $550 million charge associated with the accelerated digitization of its worldwide network. Adjusting for this asset writedown and other non-recurring items, company earnings would have been $180 million, or 71 cents per common share.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, MCI reported revenue of $2 billion, reflecting benefit from its August 14 acquisition of Telecom USA, Inc. As a result of the one-time $550 million charge and other non-recurring items, the company reported a loss of $176 million, or a loss of 69 cents per common share. This compares with revenue of $1.67 billion, earnings of $158 million and earnings per common share of 62 cents for the same quarter a year ago.

"Without the writedown and other one-time events, MCI's profits would have been up 14 percent over the year-ago quarter," Bert C. Roberts, Jr., MCI president and chief operating officer, said.

"Despite the challenge of smoothly integrating Telecom USA, the company increased its share of the large account, international and residential markets, and rolled out a new service for small to mid-size businesses," Roberts said.

With the addition of Telecom USA's network facilities and a capacity exchange agreement with Williams Telecommunications Group, MCI is able to move up its network digitization plans from 1993 to 1991. As a result, MCI has written down and begun to retire analog equipment.

Among the quarter's highlights was the $1.25 billion acquisition of Telecom USA, formerly the nation's fourth largest long distance carrier, which had a dilutive effect on earnings.

Other accomplishments during the quarter were the introduction of a number of new services that will solidify MCI's position in the data and general business arenas.

For data users, the company unveiled a new family of products called Virtual Private Data Services which will eventually bring the power of supercomputers to the desktop. The first two members of the family, high-capacity Switched

T-1 and T-3 services, will be commercially available in 1991.

For the $18 billion small to mid-sized business market, the company began to sell MCI Vision, a long distance package that provides smaller businesses with the features and capabilities traditionally available only to the largest national firms.

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DURHAM, N.C. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of CCB Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CCBF) declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.38 per share payable January 2, 1991 to shareholders of record December 17, 1990, it was announced today by William L. Burns, Jr., president and CEO.

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#90290p5845 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
TAMPA, FLA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First Florida Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: FFBK) yesterday approved a quarterly dividend payment of $.24 per share on the company's common stock. The annual dividend rate is $.96 per share. The quarterly dividend is payable on Dec. 14, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 30, 1990.

First Florida Banks, Inc., a Tampa-based company with $5.7 billion in assets, operates 155 banking offices along Florida's West Coast from Pensacola to Naples/Marco Island and across the Central Florida corridor to the Atlantic Coast.

First Florida Banks' common stock is traded on the national over-the-counter market under NASDAQ symbol FFBK.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Bell Atlantic (NYSE: BEL) announced today that it will combine its two software companies, Bell Atlantic Knowledge Systems, and Technology Concepts Inc., on Jan. 1.

The company also said it has named William E. Miller, formerly of CRISP

Automation/Joy Technologies, to head up the new company, which will be called Bell Atlantic Software Systems. Miller recently joined Bell Atlantic to oversee the integration of the two companies.

The new company will be headquartered in Morgantown, W.Va., where Knowledge Systems was born three years ago in concert with West Virginia's emerging Software Valley movement. In three years that company has grown from four employees to 50 in Morgantown, principally software engineers, and 25 in Princeton, N.J.

"Adding value for our customers, in the movement and management of their information, is at the heart of Bell Atlantic's business systems strategy," said Jeffrey S. McDermott, president of Bell Atlantic Software and Systems Solutions.

"By combining and moving these companies forward as one, we have created a core competence in software that is vital to addressing the information management requirements of our customers. Miller, who will manage our growing software capabilities, has an impressive track record in managing progressive, largely entrepreneurial, technology companies. "We are also pleased to be able to demonstrate our continued commitment to Software Valley by locating our software headquarters there," McDermott said.

U.S. Sen. Robert C. Byrd (D-W.Va.), founder of the Software Valley movement in West Virginia, said: "Bell Atlantic is one of the linchpins of Software Valley and I am extremely pleased that the company is expanding its presence in West Virginia.

"The decision on the part of Bell Atlantic to consolidate its software activities and headquarter the new division in Morgantown is an excellent example of how high technology is becoming an increasingly important component of West Virginia's industrial base."

West Virginia Gov. Gaston Caperton said: "Information services is a vital strategic growth area for West Virginia in the 1990s. We are devoting considerable resources to attract partners in this important business segment.

"We are delighted with Bell Atlantic Knowledge Systems' development as a cornerstone of Software Valley," Caperton said. "We are particularly pleased that Bell Atlantic is expanding its business and making Morgantown the headquarters for this line of business."

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PARSIPPANY, NJ (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - General Public Utilities Corp. (NYSE:

GPU) today reported 2.2 percent increases in earnings per share for both the third quarter and the nine-month period.

The increases in earnings are largely attributable to growth in the number of residential and commercial customers and rising per-customer usage. These gains were partially offset by an increase in depreciation expense and by the capital costs associated with additions made to GPU's utility plant to enhance system reliability.

"Our sales growth reflects gains in population in some areas of GPU's service territory. We anticipate continued increases in sales and benefits from our initiatives to build an increasingly market-driven and customer-sensitive organization," said Standley H. Hoch, chairman, president and chief executive officer of GPU. "We also are pleased that our favorable 12-month earnings benefited from a decline in operation and maintenance expense," Hoch added.

Third quarter earnings per share rose to $1.84 per share, from $1.80 per share. Net income in the quarter increased to $101.9 million, from $101.0 million for the year-ago period.

For the nine months, earnings per share increased to $4.18 per share, from $4.09 per share. Net income decreased slightly to $231.7 million from $231.9 million for the year-ago period.

For the 12 months ending Sept. 30, 1990, earnings per share increased to $5.10 per share, from $4.71 per share. Net income increased to $282.3 million from $266.9 million for the period.

Results for both the nine- and 12-month periods benefited from earlier repurchases of common shares and tax credits resulting from the completion of the cleanup program at Three Mile Island Unit 2.

In addition, 12-month results showed improvement because of reduced operation and maintenance expense due both to the corporation's cost-containment initiatives and to higher year-ago comparable figures caused by an extended outage in 1989 at GPU's Oyster Creek nuclear plant.

GPU is a registered electric utility holding company with three operating subsidiaries - Jersey Central Power & Light Co., Pennsylvania Electric Co. and Metropolitan Edison Co. The GPU System provides approximately 39 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity for approximately 1.9 million customers.

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DEERFIELD BEACH, FLA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Devcon International Corp.

(NASDAQ: DEVC) announced today that its Florida operations have won approximately $20 million in new construction contracts including two separate contracts totaling approximately $13 million awarded by Walt Disney World.

The Disney projects involve constructing two new 18-hole golf courses and providing fill for a major parking lot addition. The work is scheduled to be completed within 12 months.

Donald L. Smith Jr., chairman and president of the heavy construction and concrete and related materials company, said, "We were bidding against a group of selected contractors and we are particularly pleased that the Disney organization chose Devcon because of our personnel, operating history and financial strength."

He added, "These contracts mark our successful expansion into the Orlando market where we have established a regional office and are actively bidding other construction work."

Smith said the company has also expanded into southwest Florida, winning three contracts and establishing a regional office in the Fort Myers area. He noted that the largest contract involves the infrastructure including collector roads, storm drains, utilities, paving and lake excavation for the first phase of a 1,000-acre residential development.

In Florida, where the company is headquartered, Devcon is in the heavy construction business, mainly preparing sites for shopping malls, residential developments, country clubs and industrial parks. Devcon also operates ready-mix concrete and aggregate plants and performs harbor-dredging and other heavy construction work on St. Thomas and St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands on the independent island of Antigua and on St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles.

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DARIEN, CONN. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Air Express International Corporation (AMEX: AEX) has authorized the purchase from time to time in the open market of up to one million shares of the company's common stock, it was announced today.

Currently, there are 4,728,876 shares of AEI common stock outstanding.

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#90290p5861 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
SPOKANE, WASH. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Inland Gold and Silver Corp. (NASDAQ: INGS) company founder and Chief Executive Officer James F. Etter announced today that Steven C. Potter has been appointed president of the company effective on Oct. 22. Etter said, "Mr. Potter will be responsible for overall corporate operations along with a near term goal of acquiring and placing into production a wholly owned Inland property. We are fortunate to be positioned to acquire an individual with Mr. Potter's experience and successful track record in the mining industry. His accomplishments combined with our producing Toiyabe Mine and its 50 square mile exploration potential, along with our existing joint ventures and strong financial condition have the company well positioned for future growth."

Potter has 25 years of successful and diversified experience in minerals exploration, mine development and operations in the United States and Latin America. He has worked with Homestake Mining Co., Ranchers Exploration and Development Corp., Kennecott Minerals Co. and was president of first Sierra Gold Corp. Prior to his appointment to Inland, he was president and chief executive officer of Norgold Resources Inc.

He has worked on more than 10 exploration or mine development projects which have been placed into production, and has been involved in both open pit and underground mining operations. Potter participated in, or managed, projects for Kennecott and First Sierra that will produce more than 2,600,000 ounces of gold.

Inland's Toiyabe Mine has produced 72,000 ounces of gold from September 1987. Inland is also engaged in three other significant projects -- The Blackfoot Project with N.A. Degerstrom Inc., near Lincoln, Mont., containing 100,000 ounces of mineable gold -- A major exploration joint venture project with N.A. Degerstrom and Pegasus Gold near Republic, Wash. -- A 2,160 acre Nevada property located 4-1/2 miles from FMC Gold Co.'s Paradise Peak Mine. Geophysical surveys have indicated favorable targets and drilling will commence in November.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Fleet/Norstar Financial Group (NYSE: FNG) today reported net income of $38 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Third quarter net income per fully diluted share equaled 33 cents, compared to 85 cents in the third quarter of 1989.

With profits in both the second and third quarters of this year, the corporation reported net income of $434,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30

1990.

Terrence Murray, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Although the economy continues to deteriorate, not only in New England but nationally, Fleet/Norstar now is profitable for the first nine months, and we are encouraged by that performance. We continue to believe that Fleet/Norstar's broad diversification positions the company to resume growing when the economy turns around."

Murray said the company's Financial Services Group performed well in the quarter, contributing $34.9 million to the corporation's net income, an increase of 14 percent compared to 1989's third quarter.

Fleet Finance, the corporation's Atlanta-based consumer finance subsidiary, generated $12.9 million, up 14 percent, while Fleet Mortgage Group earned $12 million for a 15 percent increase over its results a year ago.

The best income producers among Fleet/Norstar's banks were Norstar Bank of Upstate N.Y., Albany, which earned $13.7 million for the third quarter, and Norstar Bank, N.A., Buffalo, which contributed $13 million to earnings.

Murray said that, at Sept. 30, the corporation held approximately $3.4 billion in excess liquid assets, continuing the company's efforts to maintain an extremely strong and liquid balance sheet. Excluding these excess liquid assets, the corporation's equity-to-assets ratio of 7.06 percent continued very strong at Sept. 30.

The company also reported that nonperforming loans increased from $756 million at June 30, 1990, to $852 million as of Sept. 30, 1990. In addition, foreclosed real estate assets (including insubstance foreclosures) increased from $291 million at June 30, 1990, to $330 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

Assets in this category have been written down to market value. All interest payments received on total nonperforming assets of $1.18 billion were applied to principal rather than recorded as income. Loss reserves at Sept. 30, 1990 were $639 million, as compared to $618 million at June 30, 1990.

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HEBRON, KY. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - At a news conference held at the Greater Cincinnati International Airport today, Kentucky Governor Wallace G. Wilkinson Ronald W. Allen, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL), and Kenton County Airport Board Chairman Paul F. Michels

announced Delta's plan for a $315 million airport expansion project at the Greater Cincinnati International Airport.

Gov. Wilkinson, in discussing the airline's decision said: "This will result in Delta greatly expanding its services in the tri-state area. This new major Flight Center at the Greater Cincinnati International Airport will serve to perpetuate Delta's already considerable importance as a catalyst for economic development in this area. There is a strong partnership here with Delta that is mutually productive, and I am pleased that with today's announcement Delta will be providing more of its quality service and benefits to the community in the future."

Delta's Allen said: "With this expansion, Delta's Cincinnati International Airport facility will be a Flight Center second to none. The planned expansion will include a spectacular new 200,000 square foot terminal, which will replace the existing Terminal D, and a new concourse constructed south of and parallel to the existing concourse. It is anticipated that the new project will accommodate 19 additional domestic gates and six international gates and provide expansive passenger service and operational support areas as well as space for concessionaires. A federal inspection service facility for international flights will be an integral part of the new facilities. The proposed expansion will double the number of Delta gates. Presently, Delta operates 22 domestic gates and three international gates at Cincinnati."

The Delta plan calls for a high-speed, tracked people-mover system to transport passengers underground along a 2,000 linear foot tunnel connecting the new Terminal D with the existing Concourse D and the new Concourse E. The new concourse will also feature moving sidewalks.

The new terminal will provide additional ticket counters and larger baggage claim and Delta DASH facilities. It is anticipated that the proposed airport expansion will require modification of certain support facilities including a new mail sortation facility, a new and expanded cargo facility, a new aircraft service facility, an expanded fuel farm and fueling system, a new aircraft deicing facility and a new employee parking lot.

The proposed plans for the Delta expansion are subject to final modification, but the airline will begin work almost immediately on the project which will require more than four years to complete.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) (PE) announced today that electric sales remained steady in the third quarter of 1990 and for the first nine months of the year.

On a weather corrected basis, overall sales continued to show a gain. PE said that electric sales for the third quarter were 8.792 billion kilowatt-hours (kwh), essentially the same as third quarter sales of 8.784 billion kwh in 1989.

Sales through the first nine months of 1990 were 24.821 billion kwh, almost identical to the sales of 24.841 billion kwh for the first three quarters of 1989.

Adjusting for weather, sales for the first nine month were up 1 percent over 1989.

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ST. PAUL, MN (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Green Tree Acceptance, Inc. (NYSE, PSE: GNT) today reported net earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 of $10,395,000, or 70 cents per share, compared with net earnings of $10,320,000, or 70 cents per share, in the same quarter of 1989.

For the nine months, net earnings were $26,671,000, or $1.70 per share, compared with the first nine months of 1989, which had net earnings of $20,800,000, or $1.21 per share.

Income was $44,995,000 for the third quarter and $123,649,000 for the first nine months of 1990, compared with $40,639,000 for the third quarter and $102,112,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

In the third quarter, Green Tree originated $286 million in contracts compared with $257 million in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months, contract production was $724 million compared with $583 million for the first nine months of 1989.

Green Tree Acceptance purchases, pools, sells, and services conditional sales contracts for manufactured homes, home improvements through 42 regional offices. Green Tree's common stock is traded on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol "GNT".

GREEN TREE ACCEPTANCE, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
INCOME:				
Finance and Service	$24,497,000	$23,551,000	$68,433,000	$53,694,000
Interest, commissions and Other	20,498,000	17,088,000	55,216,000	48,418,000

Total	44,995,000	40,639,000	123,649,000	102,112,000
EXPENSES:				
Interest	13,060,000	11,367,000	38,052,000	32,277,000
General and administrative	15,032,000	12,487,000	42,229,000	36,010,000
Total	28,092,000	23,854,000	80,281,000	68,287,000
Earnings before income taxes	16,903,000	16,785,000	43,368,000	33,825,000
Income taxes	6,508,000	6,465,000	16,697,000	13,025,000
Net earnings	$10,395,000	$10,320,000	$26,671,000	$20,800,000
Earnings per share:	$.70	$.70	$1.70	$1.21
Weighted average common shares outstanding	11,599,918	11,494,622	11,597,319	11,450,509

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WEST CHESTER, PA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Weston Services Inc. (WSI), a wholly owned subsidiary of Roy F. Weston Inc. (NASDAQ: WSTNA) (WESTON) today announced that it has been awarded two three-year delivery order contracts, for a total potential value of $30 million, with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Huntsville, Ala., for cleanup activities at Picatinny Arsenal in Dover, N.J., and Aberdeen Proving Ground/Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland.

These contracts call for WSI to implement a full scope of services, from locating and investigating disposal sites at the arsenal; evaluating the disposed waste and assessing the risk; development of cleanup alternatives and performing the actual clean up. Wastes located at the sites could include traditional hazardous wastes or explosives.

WSI has also received a notice to proceed in the last week for a $8 million incineration project with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Kansas City, Missouri, for incineration of explosives containing wastes at the Savanna Army Ammunitions Depot.

"WSI is proud to support the Corps of Engineers on these contracts that clearly demonstrate the federal governments' commitment to protecting the environment," said George J. Anastos, Ph.D., P.E., chief operating officer of WSI.

Based at WESTON corporate headquarters in West Chester, WSI provides comprehensive remediation and environmental construction services including hazardous waste site remediation; facility decontamination and demolition; transportable thermal treatment; landfill and TSD facility construction;

storage tank management and renovation programs; municipal and industrial water/wastewater treatment facility construction and facility contract operations.

WESTON, the parent company, is a recognized leader in the environmental engineering, design and consulting industry. Its clients include many Fortune 500 companies and government, from the municipal to federal level. The company operates a nationwide network of 40 offices and four analytical laboratories.

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NEW BRITAIN, CT (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - "Economic weakness in markets and geographic areas important to us have resulted in flat sales and per share earnings in the third quarter," reported Richard H. Ayers, chairman and chief executive officer of The Stanley Works (NYSE: SWK).

Net sales for the third quarter were $492 million compared with $488 million for the quarter last year. Price increases and currency gains from international operations offset volume reductions.

Earnings per share for the quarter, on fewer shares outstanding, were $.65, the same as third quarter 1989. Net earnings were $27.7 million for the quarter, down from the $29 million reported a year ago.

Inventory levels continued to decline as planned efforts to reduce working capital were successfully accomplished despite the flat sales. The lower production activity did, however, contribute to a slight decline in gross profit margins when compared with third quarter of last year.

A LIFO inventory gain of $4 million ($.06 per share) is comparable with the gain reported in the third quarter of last year. Operating expenses as a percent of sales were 23.3 percent compared with 22.3 percent in last year's third quarter.

Interest-net expenses improved slightly and Other-net expenses were less than last year's third quarter which included charges for a plant closing and environmental related expense.

Net earnings as a percent of sales were 5.6 percent, down from the six percent reported last year. The effective tax rate for the quarter has been adjusted to reflect an expected tax rate of 39 percent for 1990, comparable with the 1989 rate.

Net sales for the nine months of 1990 were $1,475 million, up one percent from the $1,460 million reported for the same period last year. Net earnings for

the nine months were $80.8 million, $1.90 per share, compared with $84.4 million, $1.94 per share, reported last year.

Net sales in the United States for the third quarter were up slightly as price increases were partially offset by volume declines. Net sales in Europe were up eight percent as price increases and the positive currency effects of a weaker dollar more than offset volume declines. Sales in Other Areas were down six percent as operating units, primarily in Canada, continue to be plagued by extremely weak market conditions.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Eagle Interco, Inc. has elected Jonathan D. Klein and David Meltzer to fill two vacant seats on the board. At the same time, the board accepted the resignation of Thomas Keegan, Jr. as a director of the company. Keegan resigned for personal reasons.

Klein was also appointed by the board of directors to be president of Eagle Interco, Inc. Klein comes to Eagle with previous pharmaceutical company experience and will add needed management leadership to the company.

The company has commenced litigation against its former president seeking to recover approximately $300,000 in corporate funds withdrawn from the company without board approval.

The board of directors plans to arrange for the annual meeting of stockholders as soon as possible.

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Snyder Oil Corporation ("SOCO") (NYSE: SNY) announced today that its board of directors had approved a stock repurchase program. A total of up to $10 million has been authorized for purchases. It is expected that the shares will be acquired from time to time in the open market. The company may, in certain instances, also engage in block purchases.

In announcing the repurchase program, Thomas J. Edelman, the president of SOCO said, "We are currently enjoying exceptional profits and cash flow due to high crude oil and natural gas liquids prices. However, our shares are trading at levels well below what we believe to be appropriate to our assets or

earning capabilities. We assume this is due to the sharp decline in the equity markets over the past two months. Consequently, so long as the high oil and NGL price levels continue, we plan to expend at least half of the resulting profits in repurchasing our stock. The other half of the profits will be dedicated to accelerating our efforts to expand our reserve base through exploration and development."

SOCO is an independent oil corporation engaged in the acquisition, production, development and exploration of oil and gas properties and in natural gas processing and transportation.

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NEWARK, CA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - California-based Ross Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ROST) announced today that it will open 16 new stores throughout its markets coast-to-coast over the next few weeks. With these latest openings, the off-price retailer will have added a total of 29 stores during 1990 and will operate 185 stores in 18 states.

In commenting on this new store growth, Norman A. Ferber, president and chief executive officer, stated, "Each of these 16 new sites solidifies our presence in our most important markets. We believe that this more focused growth within key existing markets should contribute to improved store productivity and strengthen our competitive positioning during the nineties."

Ross Dress For Less is intensifying its already strong presence in the Los Angeles area, opening six new stores there this month. Ross will now have 40 stores in the country's second largest retail market and a total of 88 stores in California.

Two years ago, Ross targeted the South Florida area for growth. It will open three new stores there this month and will now have a total of ten locations in the Miami, Fort Lauderdale and West Palm Beach areas. This is an exciting growth market where the off-price retailer plans to open several additional stores over the next few years.

Ross is also adding three locations in the South New Jersey/Philadelphia area, its first major new market since 1986. The off-price retailer entered the area in July this year with its store near Princeton, New Jersey, and plans to strengthen its presence there by opening several additional stores in 1991. The remaining four stores opening over the next few weeks are in Washington, D.C., Phoenix, Dallas/Fort Worth, and Boise.

Ross Stores Inc. generated sales of $741 million in its 1989 fiscal year. The off-price retailer offers first quality, in-season, branded apparel and

footwear for the entire family at 20 to 60 percent less than department and specialty store prices, as well as complete departments for accessories and fragrances at similar savings.

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NEWARK, CA (OCT. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Ross Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ROST) announced today the grand opening of its store in Alexandria, Va., on Sunday, Nov. 4. The new Ross 'Dress For Less' is one of 16 stores grand opening during November throughout the off-price retailer's nationwide markets.

The 28,700-square-foot store is located in Landmark Plaza, at the intersection of Duke Street and Interstate 395, across from Landmark Mall. Cotenants at the center include Hecht's, Dart Drug, Marshalls and NBO Menswear.

In commenting on this latest addition to the chain, Norman A. Ferber, president and chief executive officer, stated, "We believe that Washington, D.C. will continue to be a growing marketplace during the 1990's. Landmark Plaza in Alexandria is a very desirable site for Ross in this key market. It will allow us to better serve the Washington, D.C. customer with a new total of nine stores in the area."

Another 15 Ross 'Dress For Less' stores are grand opening during November in the retailer's Philadelphia/South New Jersey, South Florida, Boise, Dallas/Fort Worth, Phoenix and Los Angeles markets. Ross will now operate a total of 185 stores in 18 states coast-to-coast.

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NEWARK, CA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - California-based Ross Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ROST) announced today that it will open six new stores over the next three weeks in the major Los Angeles metropolitan market.

The six new Ross Dress For Less stores will celebrate their grand opening on Nov. 4th and are located in Laguna Niguel, Whittier, Murietta, West Covina, Rancho Cucamonga, and La Habra.

In commenting on these latest additions to the off-price chain of stores, Norman A. Ferber, president and chief executive officer, stated, "We believe that Los Angeles will continue to be one of the country's most dynamic marketplaces during the 1990s.

"These six new stores will intensify our already strong presence in the nation's second largest retail market. Ross will now have a total of 40 stores in the Los Angeles area and 88 stores in California."

Some of the most rapid growth in the country is found in Riverside County, where Ross opened stores this year in Moreno Valley and Corona. This month, it is opening a new store in Murietta.

The 26,250 square foot Ross Dress For Less is conveniently situated in Murietta Town Center, at the northeast corner of Interstate 215 and Murietta Hot Springs Road. Cotenants at this center include Toys R Us, Home Club, Hughes Grocery and Payless Drug Store.

Two stores are opening in Orange County. The 26,183 square foot Laguna Niguel store is located in The Center at Rancho Niguel, a new development at the northeast corner of Greenfield Drive and Rancho Niguel, just off the Crown Valley Parkway and approximately one mile from Interstate 5. Cotenants will include Hughes, Loehmans and Strouds.

The 26,000 square foot La Habra store is opening in the dynamic Imperial Highway retail corridor at the northeast corner of Beach Boulevard and Imperial Highway. It is conveniently located in the newly renovated La Habra Market Place, where cotenants include Service Merchandise and Bullocks. There are now nine Ross Dress For Less locations in Orange County.

Ross is also opening two stores in the San Gabriel Valley. A 25,788 square foot store will be located in the Quad at Whittier. This newly refurbished and expanded center is situated on the southeast corner of Whittier Boulevard and Painter Avenue, and cotenants include Ralphs, Service Merchandise, Hinshaw's Department Store and T.J. Maxx.

The retailer's 24,175 square foot West Covina store is on the first level of Eastland Center, a two-level mall at the intersection of Interstate 10 and Barranca Street. Anchors include May Co., Mervyn's, Marshall's, Robert's Department Store and Sportmart.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - HomeFed Corp. (NYSE: HFD), the parent

company of HomeFed Bank, FSB, today reported third quarter net earnings of $1.9 million or $.09 per fully diluted share, compared with net earnings of $23.9 million or $1.01 per fully diluted share for the same quarter in 1989. Results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were a net loss of $71.8 million or $3.36 per fully diluted share, compared with net earnings of $82.5 million or $3.52 per fully diluted share for the first nine months of 1989.

Gross revenues for the third quarter were $492.4 million, compared with $485.6 million for the like period in 1989. Gross revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $1.4 billion, which was the same level reported for nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

"Despite increases in net interest income, net earnings for third quarter were down from 1989's third quarter due primarily to higher loan loss provisions and reduced income from real estate operations," said Robert F. Adelizzi, HomeFed president and chief executive officer.

Net interest income, before provisions for loan losses, for the quarter showed an 11.2 percent increase over 1989's third quarter from $93.6 million to $104.1 million. Service charges, fees and other operating income was $19.6 million for the third quarter 1990, compared with $19.1 million in 1989's third quarter.

At Sept. 30, 1990, HomeFed's non-performing assets, generally defined as non-accrual loans and foreclosed real estate, increased to $749 million or 3.92 percent of total assets, compared to $708 million or 3.73 percent of total assets at June 30, 1990 and $463 million or 2.60 percent of total assets at Dec. 31, 1989.

During the quarter, the company added $201 million in new non-performing assets, while $91 million in non-performing assets were sold. An additional $18 million in non-performing assets were brought current or paid off during the quarter.

Of the $201 million in new non-performing assets, $86 million were commercial and industrial real estate loans, $68 million were apartment loans, $19 million were land acquisition and development loans, $19 million were single-family mortgages and $9 million were other loans. Fifty-eight percent of new non-performing assets were located in California, while 15 percent, 9 percent and 8 percent were located in Florida, Arizona and Virginia, respectively.

Of the bank's total non-performing assets at Sept. 30, 1990, $370 million were apartments, $264 million were commercial and industrial real estate, $51 million were land acquisition and development loans, $54 million were single-family mortgages and $10 million were commercial business loans.

At Sept. 30, 1990, approximately 40 percent of the company's total

non-performing assets were located in California, 22 percent in Florida, 8 percent in Arizona and 30 percent in other states.

HomeFed Bank operates a network of 215 retail offices throughout California.

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GLENS FALLS, N.Y. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - IMCERA Group Inc. (NYSE: IMA) announced here today at its 81st annual meeting of shareholders first quarter earnings of 78 cents per share compared with 27 cents per share a year ago. Substantially better results by IMCERA's three operating companies brought the improvement.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales were $375.7 million compared with $315.2 million last year. This year's net earnings were $18.0 million versus $7.5 million a year ago.

"Operating earnings of our three businesses more than doubled from a year ago " said IMCERA President and Chief Operating Officer M. Blake Ingle. "The earnings momentum from new product introductions and capacity additions, improving operational performance, and higher operating margins are expected to continue.

"Mallinckrodt Medical operating earnings of $16.0 million were more than twice last year's first quarter results. Sales increased 36 percent, with Optiray, the company's new nonionic contrast agent, leading the way," Ingle said. "In addition to our radiology and cardiology businesses, nuclear medicine, anesthesia products and critical care contributed to the sales and earnings improvements.

Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals reported operating earnings of $10.1 million, an increase of 60 percent from a year earlier on a 16 percent increase in sales," Ingle said. "Solid improvements turned in by the flavors, drug and cosmetic chemicals, and lab chemicals businesses were the major factors in the year-to-year earnings gain.

"Pitman-Moore had an outstanding quarter with operating earnings of $16.9 million, up more than 40 percent on sales gains of 12 percent. The leverage from last year's consolidation of Coopers Animal Health continued to improve margins. Animal productivity, parasiticides, and veterinary specialties products showed strong sales gains, and both domestic and international sales were up."

"While the first quarter has typically been the weakest of the year, this year we ran ahead of budget and substantially ahead of last year's results," added

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer George D. Kennedy. "It's still unclear what effect this will have on the pattern of quarterly earnings for the full year, but we're off to a great start for 1991"

IMCERA's pretax equity of IMC Fertilizer's (IFL) earnings was $8.7 million, an increase of $1.1 million compared with last year. This year's tax rate was 35 percent compared with 12 percent in last year's first quarter. The increase in tax rate was largely attributable to a change made at the end of fiscal 1990 in computing taxes on IFL earnings.

Headquartered in Northbrook, Ill., IMCERA has three businesses -- Mallinckrodt Medical, Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals and Pitman-Moore. IMCERA also owns approximately 38 percent of the common stock of IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc.

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SENECA FALLS, N.Y. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Goulds Pumps, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: GULD), today reported records in sales, net earnings and earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990. These third quarter results were the best in Goulds' 142 year history, and according to Stephen V. Ardia, president and CEO in a letter to the shareholders, "Goulds remains on track toward a record year in 1990."

Third quarter sales were $144.2 million, up 6 percent from $136.2 million a year ago. Net income increased 21 percent to $9.3 million, up from $7.7 million for the same quarter a year ago. And earnings per share for the quarter were $.45, up from $.38 a year ago.

Net income from continuing operations increased 6 percent to $9.3 million, compared to $8.8 million in 1989. Earnings per share from continuing operations were $.45 in the third quarter, compared to $.43 in 1989.

Total orders received for the third quarter were $143.6 million, versus $139.3 million a year ago, and backlog remained constant at $114.5 million.

Gross margins for the quarter were 29.8 percent, up from 29.2 percent for the same quarter a year ago. Ardia noted that gross margin performance would have been even better at 30.3 percent had the company not established a reserve of approximately $1 million to cover a potential contract receivable loss in Kuwait. Said Ardia, "This reserve reflects our total potential exposure in Kuwait and Iraq and we are continuing to make every effort to collect this contract receivable."

For the first nine months of 1990, sales were a record $411.8 million, an

increase of 8 percent over $381.7 million for the nine month period a year ago. Net income rose 15 percent to $24.5 million, up from $21.3 million in 1989. Earnings per share were $1.19, up 13 percent from $1.05 in 1989. And earnings per share from continuing operations were $1.19, compared to $1.18 in 1989.

Ardia stated that, "Business remains solid for our Industrial Products Group and for our largest division, the Engineered Products Division. Here, our focus on core markets continues to pay dividends, both domestically and globally." He added, "The third quarter also saw the Engineered Products Division improve its customer service and on- time delivery performance by 26 percent."

Ardia continued, "Record sales, earnings and orders from our Lowara S.p.A. subsidiary, helped our Water Technologies Group show a strong sales increase for the quarter and for the first nine months. Lowara continues to excel in the European marketplace and should exceed $100 million in sales in 1990. This represents a 63 percent increase in sales volume since it was acquired in 1986."

Also in the Water Technologies Group, our Water Systems Division showed a slight sales increase over the same quarter a year ago. An extremely competitive marketplace related to a sluggish economy and poor housing starts has caused Water Systems Division contribution to be approximately 10 percent below 1989 levels. The contribution fall off would be even greater except we have been successful in entering the commercial marketplace as well as the fact that approximately 70 percent of our normal marketplace is replacement business versus business directly tied to new housing starts.

Ardia concluded, "We are extremely pleased with the company's results in the third quarter and for the first nine months of the year. We continue to make gains in margins, profits and sales supported by rapidly improving customer service levels. Our strategies are working, and we are on target for an all-time record year in both sales and earnings.

"We are particularly excited by these positive, short-term results as they are balanced by excellent progress in our long-term goals of Total Quality, new business system developments, participative management and teamwork."

GOULDS PUMPS, INCORPORATED

Condensed Statements of Consolidated Income (Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$144,198	$136,203	$411,754	$381,749
Cost of goods sold	101,180	96,481	290,448	269,497
Gross profit	43,018	39,722	121,306	112,252
S,G&A expenses	27,146	24,518	79,095	71,780

Income from operations	15,872	15,204	42,211	40,472
Interest expense	2,050	2,537	6,880	7,155
Interest income	925	688	2,789	1,972
Income from investments and affiliates	527	808	1,802	1,833
Other income (expense) - net	(504)	(500)	(1,093)	(13)
Inc. from cont. opers. before income taxes	14,770	13,663	38,829	37,109
Federal, state and foreign income taxes	5,463	4,887	14,368	13,070
Inc. fr. cont. opers.	9,307	8,776	24,461	24,039
Loss from discont. opers. net of inc. tax benefit of $543 and $1,385, respectively	--	(1,054)	--	(2,690)
Net income	$ 9,307	$ 7,722	$ 24,461	$ 21,349
Net income per share:				
Continuing operations	.45	.43	1.19	1.18
Discontinued operations	--	(.05)	--	(.13)
Net income per common share	.45	.38	1.19	1.05
Cash dividends per share	.19	.19	.57	.57
Weighted average shares outstanding (in '000s)	20,636	20,481	20,567	20,427

GOULD PUMPS, INCORPORATED

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(In thousands)

Period ended	9/30/90 (Unaudited)	12/31/89 (Audited)	
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 7,079	$ 8,299	
Marketable securities	23,270	20,008	
Trade receivables - net	110,602	94,831	
Inventories	103,215	86,968	
Deferred tax benefit	12,209	9,626	
Recoverable income taxes	--	9,010	
Other	11,886	7,826	
Total current assets	268,261	236,568	
Property, plant & equipment - net	124,206	117,381	
Investment in affiliates	25,715	25,818	
Other assets	15,348	14,691	
Total	$433,530	$394,458	
Liabilities			
Current maturities of debt	$ 34,698	$ 28,072	
Trade payables	41,917	33,865	
Net liabilities of discont. opers.	589	10,445	
Other	47,800	37,443	
Total current liabilities	125,004	109,825	
Long-term debt	67,680	70,234	
Pension	9,734	6,523	
Deferred taxes and other	27,705	26,180	
Stockholders' Equity	203,407	181,696	

Total	$433,530	$394,458

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HOUSTON (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Blue Dolphin Energy Company (NASDAQ: BDCO) today announced that it has reached agreement with the operator of Galveston Area "GA" Block 291 to provide contract operation, maintenance, and transportation services for newly discovered reserves in GA Block 291. A flow line is now being laid to the company's GA Block 296-B platform with a tie-in to the company's Blue Dolphin pipeline system. Production operations and transportation services are expected to commence on or about December 1, 1990.

Blue Dolphin Energy Company is engaged in the exploration, acquisition, development and operation of oil and gas properties, and in oil and gas transportation, processing and marketing.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Crompton & Knowles Corporation (NYSE: CNK) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 10-1/2 cents per share on the common stock of the corporation, payable Nov. 23, 1990, to holders of record at the close of business on Nov. 2.

Crompton & Knowles Corporation is a producer and marketer of specialty chemicals and equipment.

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RICHMOND, VA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - American Filtrona Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: AFIL) reported that results for the first nine months of 1990 compared to the same 1989 period were: net sales of $108.4 million, down 3 percent from $111.3 million; pretax income of $8.0 million, down 18 percent from $9.8 million; net income of $5.0 million, down 18 percent from $6.1 million; andearnings per share of $1.35, down 18 percent from $1.65.

For the third quarter this year compared with the corresponding 1989 period, net sales of $35.3 million were down 3 percent from $36.4 million; pretax income of $2.2 million was down 34 percent from $3.3 million; net income of

$1.4 million was down 33 percent from $2.0 million; and earnings per share of 37 cents was down 33 percent from 55 cents.

The weak operating performance in the third quarter reflected slowness in several key markets. The bonded fibers segment continued to have lower than expected sales of cigarette filters and writing instrument product sales were flat. A softening in sales to construction related customers had an adverse effect on earnings in the plastic extrusion operations. The plastic products and industrial filtration segments earnings were below the 1989 third quarter; however, on a year-to-date basis they remain ahead of last year.

The Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of 22.5 cents per share payable on November 24, 1990 to shareholders of record as of November 9, 1990.

Unaudited amounts (in thousands) for the three months and nine months ended September 30 follow:

	Three Months		Nine Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$35,348	$36,362	$108,359	$111,320
Investment and other income	344	486	1,185	1,583
Total revenues	35,692	36,848	109,544	112,903
Costs and expenses	33,493	33,499	101,505	103,100
Income before income taxes	2,199	3,349	8,039	9,803
Income taxes	825	1,300	3,025	3,700
Net income	$ 1,374	$ 2,049	$ 5,014	$ 6,103
Average shares outstanding	3,718	3,698	3,715	3,692
Earnings per share	$ 0.37	$ 0.55	$ 1.35	$ 1.65

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - William L. Adams, chairman of Union Pacific Resources Co. (UPRC) of Fort Worth, announced today major horizontal well completions in Wyoming and Texas, as well as new Gulf of Mexico production.

- In Laramie County, Wyo., initial test results were announced for UPRC's first horizontal well in the Silo field. The Antelope 9-11, located 18 miles northeast of Cheyenne, flowed 1,462 barrels of oil in a 21-hour test through a 44/64 inch choke, with a flowing tubing pressure of 225 pounds per square inch (psi).

The horizontal displacement of the well was 2,529 feet, of which 2,037 feet were within the prospective Niobrara zone. Resources has approximately 88,000 net acres on the Silo field.

- In Texas, two new horizontal wells in which Resources has a 100 percent interest were completed in Gonzales County. The Kenneth Brzozowski No. 1, in a 24-hour test, produced 1,053 barrels of oil and 900,000 cubic feet of gas per day (Mcf/d) through a 28/64 inch choke, with a flowing tubing pressure of 600 psi. The horizontal displacement of the well was 3,007 feet.

The second well, the Borchers-Borchers Unit No. 1, in a 24-hour test, produced 924 barrels of oil and 477 Mcf of gas per day through a 29/64 inch choke, with a flowing tubing pressure of 338 psi. The horizontal displacement of the well was 3,000 feet.

The company has 43 producing operated horizontal wells and has participated in seven producing nonoperated horizontal wells in the Austin Chalk Trend. These wells are currently producing 15,590 gross barrels of oil equivalent per day (BOED). UPRC said it expects to complete an additional 22 horizontal wells before year-end.

- In the Gulf of Mexico, UPRC has started up three operated platforms. The South Timbalier 198 platform, in which Resources has a 25 percent working interest, started in mid-August and is currently producing 51 million cubic feet of gas per day (MMcf/d) and 1,000 barrels of condensate from six wells.

High Island A200 platform, in which Resources has a 100 percent working interest, started in mid-September at a rate of 8 MMcf/d from two wells. The Brazos A-2 platform, in which Resources has a 100 percent working interest, started in early October at 32 MMcf and 506 barrels of condensate per day from three wells.

Since January 1990, UPRC has installed seven platforms, and is developing four additional fields. Offshore operated production is at a record level of 120 MMcf and 1,470 barrels of condensate per day net.

Union Pacific Resources, one of the largest U.S. independent exploration and production firms, is the oil, gas and minerals subsidiary of Union Pacific Corp. (NYSE: UNP) of Bethlehem, Pa.

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DENVER (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd. (AMEX: TPN) declared a quarterly dividend of $0.72 (Cdn)

per share on the company's outstanding $2.88 cumulative redeemable convertible preferred shares and $0.20 (U.S.) on the company's outstanding common shares. Both dividends are payable on Dec. 20, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 30 1990.

Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd. is a petroleum company with refining and marketing operations in the Central United States and exploration and production in Canada.

Its shares are listed on the American, Toronto, Montreal and Pacific stock exchanges. TOTAL Compagnie Francaise des Petroles owns approximately 52 percent of the voting shares of Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd.

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BETHLEHEM, PA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Pacific Corp. (NYSE: UNP) increased its third quarter earnings 17 percent, from $137 million to $161 million, while improving its operating income 10 percent to $345 million, it was announced today.

Earnings per share were $1.61, compared with $1.35 in the third quarter of 1989.

Union Pacific Railroad achieved an earnings gain of 4 percent to a record $148 million, despite a $17 million pre-tax increase in fuel prices. This was the railroad's 20th consecutive year-over-year quarterly improvement. Third quarter carloadings were the highest for any quarter in the company's history. With the exception of forest products, every commodity had higher carloads, generating an overall gain of 7 percent, with the strongest performances in coal (up 10 percent), autos (up 13 percent), food products (up 14 percent) and intermodal traffic (up 8 percent). The railroad's third quarter operating ratio rose from 78.7 to 79.6 percent as fuel prices rose 22 percent.

Union Pacific Resources raised its earnings 11 percent to $51 million on the strength of significantly higher crude oil prices and increased volumes of all hydrocarbons. Crude prices were up 31 percent as a result of the Persian Gulf conflict. Hydrocarbon production was up 21 percent, with natural gas leading the way with a 36 percent gain. UP Resources has brought seven platforms on-line in the Gulf of Mexico since January 1990, and has continued its successful gas infill drilling programs in Texas. At the same time, Resources has almost doubled its year-to-date exploration and production capital spending.

Overnite Transportation increased its third quarter earnings 13 percent before goodwill to $17 million. Tonnage was up 10 percent, and the June rate

increase authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission held firm throughout the quarter. The company maintained an 88 percent operating ratio despite a fuel cost increase.

USPCI recorded earnings before goodwill in the third quarter of $6 million, which almost equaled its earnings for all of 1989. Remediation and disposal revenues of both hazardous and industrial wastes more than doubled.

Union Pacific Realty earnings were $9 million, reflecting continuing progress in liquidating the company's real estate holdings.

In the first nine months, Union Pacific Corp.'s earnings per share were $4.41, compared with $3.98 last year. Net income was up 3 percent to $442 million. Union Pacific Railroad earned $416 million, up 3 percent; Union Pacific Resources achieved earnings of $157 million, up 5 percent; Overnite Transportation earned $43 million before goodwill, up 1 percent; USPCI had income before goodwill of $11 million, a gain of $8 million; and Union Pacific Realty earned $26 million, up $17 million.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Ogden Corporation (NYSE: OG) announced today that its subsidiary, OGDEN/ERC Government Systems Company, was awarded a one-year, $275,000 contract through its W.J. Schafer Associates (WJSA) business unit from the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Division of Advanced Utility Concepts.

Under the contract, WJSA's San Francisco Operation will conduct studies examining the feasibility of superconducting magnetic energy storage (SMES) using high temperature superconductors (HTS). Subcontractors will include General Atomics and Advanced CryoMagnetics, both of San Diego, and Argonne National Laboratory, in Argonne, Ill. The contract is being administered by DOE's Chicago Operations Office, also in Argonne.

SMES is a technology under development for improving electric load management and energy efficiency. The replacement of conventional superconductors with new HTS in SMES offers potentially greater energy savings. The WJSA study will focus on determining the range of application of SMES in utility and industrial facilities of up to 250 MWh; a preliminary HTS design and assessment; and defining specifications for HTS use in SMES. The range of the study includes small to mid-size industrial and utility applications.

WJSA has been involved in the design and analysis of SMES technology for government and industry since 1987 and currently serves as consultant to the Department of Defense on its SMES Engineering Test Model program, co-sponsored

by the Electric Power Research Institute. General Atomics, responsible for addressing HTS design issues under the study, built a 30 megajoule SMES unit for DOE in 1983 and recently announced that it is producing 20-meter lengths of flexible HTS wire.

OGDEN/ERC Government Systems, a Fairfax, Va.-based firm, serves government and commercial clients in the defense and space technologies, software-systems engineering and engineering and support services markets, worldwide.

CONTACT: Peggy Flynn of ERC Government Systems, 703-246-0778

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - ACC Corp. (NASDAQ: ACCC) today announced net income of $417,145, or $.12 per share, on revenues of $9,218,915 for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to net income of $379,100, or $.11 per share, on revenues of $9,217,712 for the same period in 1989. For the nine months of 1990, ACC Corp. had net income of $1,367,867, or $.40 per share, on revenues of $28.06 million. This compares with $977,812, or $.30 per share on revenues of $27.52 million for the nine-month period in 1989 after a downward adjustment of $1.98 million due to discontinued operations.

In commenting on ACC's performance, Richard T. Aab, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "We are pleased with both the revenue and net income levels for the third quarter. Net income increased 10 percent for the quarter over the third quarter of 1989 and 40 percent year-to-date. Revenues were a strong $9.2 million. During the summer, ACC Long Distance Corp. migrated customers to lower priced service offerings, which reduced revenues for the quarter. However, those revenues were more than offset from new business brought on in August and September. Billable minutes for the quarter were up 3.2 percent over the second quarter of 1990 and were 5.5 percent over the comparable third quarter in 1989.

"The start-up of our intra-Canada business has been slightly slowed due to contract and facility availability delays stemming in part from a construction union strike this summer. This is strictly a timing problem and will be resolved shortly. Our U.S./Canadian business remains strong. Network and S, G and A expenses are well under control. However, in spite of our diligence, we incurred $150,000 of legal expenses for our defense in two lawsuits brought against ACC earlier this year, which we believe have no merit." In looking ahead for the fourth quarter, Aab continued, "We remain optimistic that 1990 will be a superb year for ACC Corp."

ACC Corp. is a holding company for ACC Long Distance Corp., ACC Network Corp., ACC Long Distance Ltd., ACC Global Corp., ACC Local Fiber Corp. and Danbury Cellular Telephone Co., Inc. The company provides primarily long-distance

telephone service throughout northeastern United States and eastern Canada. The company's stock is listed on the National Market (OTC) under the NASDAQ symbol ACCC.

ACC CORP.
COMPARATIVE HIGHLIGHTS
(IN DOLLARS)
(UNAUDITED)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30	
	1990	1989
Revenue	$9,218,915	$9,217,712
Net Income	$ 417,145	$ 379,100
Earnings per Share	$ .12	$ .11
Common and Common Eqivalent Shares	3,473,876	3,331,241
	NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30	
	1990	1989
Revenue	$28,058,641	$29,494,143(A)
Net Income	$ 1,367,867	$ 977,812
Earnings per Share	$ .40	$ .30
Common and Common Eqivalent Shares	3,455,284	3,280,927

(A) First 9 months of 1989 revenue includes $1,975,873 from Danbury Cellular Telephone Company

CONTACT: Michael R. Daley of ACC Corp., 716-987-3175

-30- 3802
#90290p5911 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - CIM High Yield Securities (AMEX: CIM) today announced the payment of a $.07 per share dividend, payable on Nov. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Oct. 26, 1990.

CONTACT: Jay S. Neuman, 617-722-3807, or Kathleen O'Neil, 617-722-3863, both of CIM High Yield Securities

-30- 469
#90290p5913 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLUE ISLAND, ILL. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Heritage Financial Services, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HERS), late yesterday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 12.5 cents per share, payable Nov. 9, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 29, 1990.

The dividend is the same amount as paid in the preceding quarter and is consistent with Heritage Financial Services' annual dividend plan of 50 cents per share announced in January 1990.

Heritage Financial Services, Inc., is a multibank holding company with assets of $622 million. It is headquartered in southwest suburban Chicago and operates eight banking offices located in Blue Island, Crestwood, Oak Lawn, Tinley Park (2), Orland Park, Palos Heights and Mokena.

CONTACT: Richard T. Wojcik, chairman and CEO, 708-385-2900, or Paul A. Eckroth, senior vice president and treasurer, 708-614-0397, both of Heritage Financial Services

-30- 1112

#90290p5915 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREER, S.C. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Ryan's Family Steak Houses, Inc. (NASDAQ: RYAN) reported record revenues and earnings for the third quarter of 1990.

Third quarter revenues increased 13 percent to $71,458,000 from $62,960,000 for the comparable quarter of last year. Net earnings for the quarter increased to $6,029,000 from $5,844,000. Earnings per share increased to 12 cents, up 9 percent from 11 cents a year earlier. This is the 49th consecutive quarter in which revenues and earnings have set record highs over the same quarter of the prior year.

For the nine months ended October 3, 1990 revenues rose 16 percent to $207,865,000 from $178,550,000 for the comparable period a year earlier. Net earnings for the nine months amounted to $18,707,000 as compared to $16,125,000 for the same period a year earlier, an increase of 16 percent. Earnings per share increased to 36 cents, up 16 percent from 31 cents a year earlier.

At the end of the quarter the Company owned and operated 123 and was franchisor of 33 Ryan's Family Steak House restaurants. Five Company-owned restaurants opened during the third quarter of 1990. Three additional Company-owned restaurants are scheduled to open during the fourth quarter. A total of 16 new Company-owned and two new franchised restaurants are scheduled to open during 1990, bringing the total number of restaurants in operation to 159 by the end of the year: 126 Company-owned and 33 franchised.

RYAN'S FAMILY STEAK HOUSES, INC.
STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS
(Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Oct. 3, 1990	Sept. 27, 1989	Oct. 3, 1990	Sept. 27, 1989
Revenues:				
Sales by Company-owned restaurants	$70,491,000	62,059,000	205,318,000	176,193,000

Revenues from franchised restaurants	695,000	655,000	2,182,000	1,948,000
Interest and other income	272,000	246,000	365,000	409,000
Total Revenues	71,458,000	62,960,000	207,865,000	178,550,000
Costs and expenses:				
Company-owned restaurants:				
Food and beverage	30,155,000	27,005,000	87,639,000	77,285,000
Payroll and benefits	18,537,000	15,767,000	53,383,000	44,914,000
Depreciation and amorti-zation	2,749,000	2,315,000	7,893,000	6,618,000
Other operating expenses	7,546,000	6,235,000	20,584,000	17,531,000
	58,987,000	51,322,000	169,499,000	146,348,000
General and administrative expenses	2,889,000	2,301,000	8,442,000	6,443,000
Total costs and expenses	61,876,000	53,623,000	177,941,000	152,791,000
Earnings before income taxes	9,582,000	9,337,000	29,924,000	25,759,000
Income taxes	3,553,000	3,493,000	11,217,000	9,634,000
Net earnings	$ 6,029,000	$ 5,844,000	$ 18,707,000	$ 16,125,000
Net earnings per common and common equivalent share	$ .12	$ .11	$ .36	$ .31
Weighted average shares	52,153,000	53,024,000	52,601,000	52,804,000

CONTACT: Fred T. Grant, Jr., Vice President - Finance for Ryan's Family Steak Houses, Inc., 803-879-1000

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#90290p5916 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Stone & Webster, Incorporated (NYSE: SW) today reported consolidated net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $673,000, or $.05 per share, including a tax benefit of $75,000, or $.01 per share, from utilization of foreign subsidiaries tax loss carryforwards. This compares with consolidated net income for the three

months ended Sept. 30, 1989 of $6,245,000, or $.42 per share, of which $2,774,000, or $.18 per share, resulted from the sale of investment securities. Gross earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $62,857,000. This compares with gross earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989 of $74,721,000, including $4,155,000 of profits on investment securities.

Consolidated net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $6,910,000, or $.46 per share, including a tax benefit of $568,000, or $.04 per share, from utilization of foreign subsidiaries tax loss carryforwards and $2,853,000, or $.19 per share, resulting from the sale of investment securities. This compares with consolidated net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 of $19,218,000, or $1.27 per share, of which $2,774,000, or $.18 per share, resulted from the sale of investment securities. Gross earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $198,595,000, including $4,155,000 of profits on investment securities.

The decrease in consolidated gross earnings and net income for the three month and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with those for the similar periods last year, are primarily attributable to our domestic engineering and construction operations. These operations reflect reduced chargeable hours on projects. Although we are continuing our efforts to control overhead costs, we are holding staff to be available for projects expected after 1990. If the timing of these projects falls short of our expectations, we will take appropriate action to reduce overhead further.

The average number of shares outstanding for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and Sept. 30, 1989 was 15,122,000 and 15,142,000, respectively; and for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and Sept. 30, 1989 was 15,138,000 and 15,164,000, respectively.

CONTACT: W. M. Egan of Stone & Webster, 212-290-7490

-30- 2480

#90290p5919 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MI (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Lear Seating Corporation, a leading producer of automotive seating, disclosed record sales in the quarter ending Sept. 30, according to Kenneth L. Way, chairman and chief executive officer.

Way said Lear, a private company whose sales totaled $1,068 billion for the 1990 fiscal year (ending June 30), achieved sales of $261 million in the first fiscal 1991 quarter compared with $221 million in 1990, a gain of 18 percent.

"We are gratified by our strong sales performance amid declining overall sales in the automotive industry," Way said. "Lear's sales in the fourth quarter are continuing at a record pace. More customers are using Lear seats because of their comfort, quality, and cost advantages."

Lear is a leading global supplier of passenger car and light truck seating systems and components. It has 32 facilities in six countries and a worldwide employment of 10,500, including 7,500 outside of the United States.

CONTACT: Tony De Lorenzo, of Hill and Knowlton, Inc., (313) 644-9150, for Lear Seating Corporation.

-30- 1254

#90290p5920 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Sherwin-Williams Company (NYSE: SHW) declared a regular quarterly dividend of $0.19 per common share, payable on Nov. 30, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 16, 1990.

CONTACT: Conway G. Ivy of The Sherwin-Williams Company, 216-566-2102

-30- 477

#90290p5923 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - National Media Corporation (NYSE: NM) announced today that Donald J. McDonald, president, chief operating officer and a director resigned from the company for personal reasons. David E. Baxter, presently a director of National Media and formerly president, chief operating officer and a director of QVC, the second largest competitor in the television home shopping industry, was elected as acting president and chief operating officer of National Media, a spokesman said.

"With David Baxter as president and COO, National Media will strengthen its management team and further enhance its already dominant position in the direct marketing field," John J. Turchi, Jr., chairman, said.

Prior to joining QVC, Baxter had been executive vice president and chief financial officer of Fisher Group, Inc., manufacturer and distributor of automotive and recreational vehicle products. He also served as vice president finance and CFO of Franklin Mint, a division of Warner Communications, which markets proprietary products by direct mail.

"Mr. Baxter brings a strong mix of marketing, administrative and financial background to National Media which will be invaluable in advancing the company's strategic growth plans, and helping us evolve into a total marketing organization that can handle all phases of sales from television and print through to retail outlets," Turchi added.

National Media recently announced revenues for the first quarter (ended June 30) of $52.6 million compared to $17.3 million last year. Earnings were $3 million, or $.27 per share after taxes, compared to $476,000, or $.04 per

share untaxed due to a net operating loss carryforward, in the first quarter last year.

CONTACT: William B. Campbell, vice president of National Media, 215-482-9800

-30- 2002

#90290p5925 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBORO, MA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Data General (NYSE: DGN) has signed a five-year Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) agreement with Sprint International, the global telecommunications, private networks and value-added services arm of US Sprint.

Data General expects worldwide AViiON systems shipments to Sprint customers to exceed $45 million over the terms of the arrangement. The agreement also includes options for worldwide maintenance, software support, training and consulting services.

Under the agreement, Sprint International will resell Data General's UNIX-based AViiON servers and high-resolution color graphic workstations to enhance Sprint International's private network and messaging system offerings. The AViiON product line will complement existing Tandem and Prime Computer proprietary systems.

The AViiON servers and workstations will use Data General's DG/UX UNIX operating system and additional software, including Data General's X.25 networking software for wide-area communications.

Sprint International, headquartered in Reston, Va., offers a full range of global telecommunication services, including the supply of private corporate backbone networks, direct-dial voice services to 163 countries and packet-switched data access to over 94 international locations. US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications, Inc., (NYSE: UT) a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City.

Data General Corporation, a Fortune 300 company based in Westboro, Mass., is a leading supplier of general purpose computer and communications systems worldwide.

CONTACT: Dan Williams, 508-898-4083 or Jim Dunlap, 508-870-8162, both of Data General Corporation

-30- 1886

#90290p5929 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOWNSHIP OF UPPER PROVIDENCE, PA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Drug Inc. formally broke ground today on a state-of-the-art, $300 million pharmaceutical research and development facility. When completed, the new facility will

consolidate the U.S.-based research and development functions of the Sterling Research Group in the Philadelphia area.

The new facility will provide approximately 900,000 square feet of modern laboratories, offices and common areas such as auditoriums and cafeterias. By 1995, approximately 1,200 employees will work at the center.

Pennsylvania Commerce Secretary Raymond R. Christman joined other elected and community officials, and representatives of Sterling and the facility project team in the traditional groundbreaking ceremony.

"This is an important milestone for Sterling and its people," said Sterling Research Group President Eugene H. Cordes. "This new research center will help us to accomplish our mission to create distinctive solutions to the needs of mankind in pharmaceutical products."

"Sterling chose Upper Providence Township as the site for its research and development facility because of its proximity to outstanding universities, other pharmaceutical companies and major transportation links; its quality of life; and easy access to housing and schools for its employees.

"We are pleased and honored to be a part of the Upper Providence community and we are committed to helping maintain the quality of life and the environment of the area," Cordes continued.

The new research facility is planned as a campus-like cluster of low-rise buildings, none higher than four stories. The emphasis in developing the 160-acre site is on open, green spaces that maintain the character and landscape of the area.

Cordes was joined in the ceremonial groundbreaking by Christman, Montgomery County Commission Chairman Paul A. Bartle; the chairman of the Upper Providence Township supervisors, Robert Mauger; Leo J. Thomas, vice president, Eastman Kodak Company, and general manager, Kodak Health Group; Louis P. Mattis, Sterling chairman, president and CEO; Paul Baehr, Sterling vice president and general manager, pharmaceutical products, and Alastair R. Ross, vice president, administrative affairs, Sterling Research Group and Upper Providence project director.

Fred H. Lindquist, chairman and CEO of The Kling-Lindquist Partnership (TKLP), project architects and engineers, and Thomas F. Gilbane Jr., executive vice president of the Gilbane Building Company, which will manage construction, also participated.

CONTACT: Terry G. Kelley, (215) 983-5130, or Charles M. Mayr, (212) 907-3336, both of Sterling Drug.

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#90290p5931 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
CALHOUN, GA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Crown Crafts Inc. (AMEX: CRW) today announced unaudited financial results for its second fiscal quarter, which ended Sept. 30.

Net sales, net earnings and earnings per share all advanced to new quarterly record levels.

Net sales in the fiscal 1991 second quarter were $33,133,000, up 21 percent from $27,351,000 in the corresponding period a year ago. Net earnings in the second quarter were $2,124,000, or $0.31 per share, compared to $1,842,000, or $0.27 per share, in last year's second quarter. For the six-month period, net sales were $58,746,000 in fiscal 1991, an 18 percent increase from $49,712,000 in the corresponding period a year ago. Net income in the 1991 six-month period was $3,577,000, up from $3,272,000 last year. On a per-share basis, net income was $0.52 in the six-month period, compared to $0.47 past year.

"Crown Crafts continued to outpace the industry in sales and earnings, despite a difficult retail market," stated Michael H. Bernstein, Crown Crafts' president and chief executive officer. "Products introduced over the past year contributed approximately $5,000,000 to this year's second-quarter sales. The company's commitment to innovation and superior customer service are key elements of our continuing success."

CONTACT: Paul A. Criscillis Jr., vice president - chief financial officer of Crown Crafts, 404-629-7941

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#90290p5933 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI LAKES, FLA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Preferred Homecare of America (NASDAQ: PFRD), today announced that the sale of its Nursing Home Pharmaceutical Division to Americare Prescription Corporation was completed on Oct. 6, 1990. Americare purchased certain assets and assumed certain liabilities related to Preferred's Nursing Home Pharmaceutical Division. This division provides prescription drugs and over-the-counter pharmacy products to nursing homes, adult congregate living facilities, and psychiatric facilities. The company believes that the sale of its Institutional business will not result in a loss. The terms of this transaction were not disclosed.

Carlos M. Herrera, president and chief executive officer of Preferred Homecare stated, "The completion of this sale will allow Preferred Homecare to concentrate on the home infusion therapy business, our most profitable operation."

Preferred Homecare of America, Inc. is a high-tech home infusion therapy company offering an alternative to in-patient hospital care. The company has

offices servicing patients in the metropolitan areas of Miami, Fort Lauderdale West Palm Beach, Tampa Bay/Pasco County, and Fort Myers, Fla.; Baltimore/Washington, D.C.; and the New York/New Jersey metropolitan areas.

CONTACT: Suzan M. Sattler, vice president of Preferred Homecare of America, 305-362-5123; or Mark Starr, 212-661-8030, or 516-783-4391 (after 7 p.m.), or Kathy Waller, 312-266-7800, both of the Financial Relations Board for Preferred Homecare of America

-30- 1716

#90290p5934 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Ogden Corporation (NYSE: OG) announced today that its Fairfax, Va.-based subsidiary, OGDEN/ERC Government Systems, has been awarded an $800,000 contract from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) for systems integration of an enhanced health care delivery system.

Under the contract, ERC will produce a system of on-line data bases utilizing new information technology for the VA's national health care delivery system, operated by the VA Veterans Health Services and Research Administration (VHS&RA). This is the largest, centrally- administered health care delivery system in the nation, which includes 172 medical centers, about 220 outpatient facilities, and other activities serving the veterans population, including nursing homes and domiciliaries.

ERC will provide the VHS&RA with 91 prototype workstations capable of supporting intensive storing, accessing, and retrieval activities among VA and National Institutes of Health personnel. The system will feature newly-developed secured access and seamless environment capabilities through the use of Compact Disk-Read Only Memory (CD-ROM), smart card, and microprocessing technologies. ERC will direct hardware and software selection, installation, testing and training for the system over a period of one year.

OGDEN/ERC Government Systems serves government and industry in the defense and space technologies, software and systems engineering, and engineering and support services markets, worldwide. It is a nationally recognized leader in the design, development and implementation of social and health services systems -- including facilitation of policy evaluation/management studies to examine data and software requirements; modernization of existing software; development of new system solutions; and system maintenance.

CONTACT: Peggy Flynn of ERC Government Systems, 703-558-7900

-30- 2105

#90290p5935 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, IN (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Arvin Industries, Inc. (NYSE: ARV),

announced today that sales from continuing operations for the third quarter of 1990 of $429 million were up 14 percent from the year ago period, while earnings per share from continuing operations increased to $0.43 in 1990 from $0.12 in 1989 for the quarter. Net earnings for the quarter after taking into account discontinued operations increased to $11.3 million or $0.50 per share in 1990 from $4.5 million or $0.12 per share in 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, sales from continuing operations were $1,269 million compared to $1,143 million in 1989, while net earnings from continuing operations were $23.3 million, or $0.93 per share, compared to $14.6 million or $0.53 per share, for the comparable period last year. Net earnings after taking into account discontinued operations rose to $0.98 per share in 1990 from $0.53 per share in 1989.

Arvin Chairman and CEO James K. Baker said, "Third quarter sales and earnings benefited greatly from the improved performance of our automotive original equipment businesses in both the U.S. and Europe. New applications, new products and new business added to revenues.

"The replacement parts businesses continued to be strong beyond seasonal trend and also surpassed last year's third quarter. This is the first time that Arvin auto parts sales have reached one billion dollars in the first three quarters. We continue to benefit saleswise from focusing our resources on our core businesses, as evidenced by our 14 percent volume increase vs. 3Q of 1989.

"In Europe, the increases were primarily due to sales of emission control products to existing as well as new customers. In the U.S., key factors were new products, new product applications with existing customers and new business with Japanese customers. Margins continued to improve as a result of past restructuring programs and increased volume."

Baker said that margins are not yet at acceptable levels; "however in light of soft automotive build rates, and with the political and economic uncertainty which characterized the quarter, the level of earnings per share confirmed that the profit potential of Arvin has increased as a result of strategic acquisitions and internal restructuring.

"The outlook for the fourth quarter indicates increasing recessionary pressures in the U.S. which will affect the auto industry. In spite of this, there is a good likelihood that our results for 1990 can measure up to our earlier expectations."

CONTACT: Fred Meyer, 812-379-3741, or John Brown, 812-379-3389,
both of Arvin Industries, Inc.

-30- 2843
#90290p5936 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALATINE, IL (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Square D Company (NYSE: SQD) today reported increases in sales, net earnings and net earnings per share for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with the same 1989 periods.

Jerre L. Stead, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said 1990 third quarter sales increased 6.2 percent to $428.6 million. He said net earnings were $31.9 million, an increase of 3.9 percent over $30.7 million a year earlier, and that net earnings per share were $1.30 or 4.8 percent higher than $1.24 in 1989. On a fully diluted basis, net earnings per share increased 5.9 percent to $1.26 from the $1.19 of a year ago.

Earnings per share from continuing operations of $1.30 were up 4.0 percent from $1.25 a year earlier, and on a fully diluted basis, earnings of $1.26 increased 5.0 percent over the $1.20 of 1989. He said operating earnings in the third quarter were $50.8 million, compared with $54.5 million in the year-ago period.

"Overall, we are pleased with our third quarter performance," said Stead. "In spite of continued weaknesses in residential and non-residential construction markets, we recorded sales gains in our domestic electrical distribution sector, mostly as the result of increases in sales of assembled electrical products. Our operating income in that sector declined because last year we had a stronger mix of higher margin distribution equipment business in the third quarter."

Stead added that sales and operating earnings for international businesses also increased for the quarter, while sales in the domestic industrial control sector were relatively flat.

Stead said that for the first nine months of 1990, Square D sales were $1.22 billion, compared to $1.21 billion in 1989 and net earnings of $93.3 million increased 3.0 percent over the $90.5 million a year earlier. Net earnings per share were $3.80, up 5.3 percent from the $3.61 of 1989. Fully diluted net earnings per share were $3.65, up 2.8 percent over the $3.55 of 1989.

For the nine-month period, earnings from continuing operations were $89.2 million, compared to $90.2 million last year. Earnings per share from continuing operations were $3.62, up slightly from $3.60 in 1989. On a fully diluted basis, earnings per share from continuing operations were $3.49, compared to $3.54 last year.

Square D is a worldwide leader in industrial control and electrical distribution products, systems, and services and had 1989 sales from continuing operations of $1.60 billion.

CONTACT: E. J. Schenk of Square D, (708) 397-2600.

-30- 2798
#90290p5939 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (NYSE: BMY) reported record sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Third-quarter sales increased 13 percent to $2.6 billion. Net earnings increased 21 percent to a record of $496 million, or $.94 per share, compared to $.78 per share last year.

For the nine months, sales increased 11 percent to $7.6 billion. Net earnings increased 20 percent to $1,322 million, or $2.51 per share, compared to $2.10 per share last year.

Richard L. Gelb, chairman and chief executive officer, said that, for the quarter, domestic sales increased 9 percent while international sales increased 20 percent. He added that sales for the pharmaceutical business were particularly strong, increasing 23 percent for the quarter and 18 percent for the nine months. Exchange rate fluctuations had a favorable effect on sales of approximately 3 percent for the quarter and 1 percent for the nine months.

CONTACT: David L. Rosenstein of Bristol-Myers Squibb, 212-546-5764

-30- 1245
#90290p5940 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Martech USA, Inc. (NASDAQ: MUSA) today reported record revenue and earnings for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990. Revenue was $44,513,000 vs. $41,139,000 during the twelve-month period ended Aug. 31, 1989. Net income was $8,150,000, or 85 cents per share, as compared to $7,395,000, or 64 cents per share in the prior period.

"The results for fiscal 1990 reflect our entire organization's successful effort to diversify our customer base," stated Ben C. Tisdale, chairman and chief executive officer. Tisdale attributed the company's increase in revenue to an increased customer base in both the Alaska and California operations and the successful diversification into the environmental remediation business by the Gulf Coast operations headquartered in Louisiana. "During the 1990 fiscal year we performed 442 jobs for 183 customers. This compares to 365 jobs for 121 customers during the 1989 fiscal year."

During the fiscal year, Martech signed contracts with the governments of Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Poland to direct environmental remediation of abandoned Soviet bases. "We have built valuable, strong relationships with governments and industry in all three countries and have signed a number of individual contracts to perform remediation work at various industrial sites

in all three of these countries," said Tisdale. "The governments in these three countries consider the poor states of their environment their most pressing problem, and Martech is playing a vital role in providing solutions. However, it is important to note that during fiscal 1990 these three countries accounted only 4 percent of our total revenues," he added.

Looking ahead, Tisdale noted that Martech enters fiscal 1991 with the highest backlog in its history with signed contracts for more than 30 percent of its projected revenue. "Our company offers the combination of scientific expertise and remediation capabilities in conjunction with our marine expertise which makes Martech one of the leading providers of complete, one-stop environmental remediation services," Tisdale added.

Martech USA provides a comprehensive range of environmental remediation services as well as specialized marine and construction services.

MARTECH USA, INC.
(Unaudited; dollars in thousands, except per-share amounts)

Year ended Aug. 31	1990	1989
Revenue	$44,513,000	$41,139,000
Net income	8,150,000	7,395,000
Earnings per share	$.85	$.64

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HOUSTON (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Baker Hughes Incorporated (NYSE: BHI) today announced its intention to divest its Baker Hughes Tubular Services, Inc. subsidiary. This decision is consistent with the company's ongoing strategic evaluation of core products and services.

Baker Hughes Tubular Service, Inc. is a leading worldwide provider of inspection services, internal plastic coating and premium threaded connections for the oil and gas industry. For the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 Baker Hughes Tubular Services, Inc. had revenues of approximately $100 million.

Baker Hughes has retained the First Boston Corporation to assist the company in the sale of the division.

Baker Hughes is a leading provider of products and services for the oil, gas and process industries.

CONTACT: Ronald G. Turner of Baker Hughes, 713-439-8666

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#90290p5946 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - American Oil and Gas Corporation (AMEX: AOG) today announced that its wholly-owned gas pipeline subsidiary, American Pipeline Company ("APC"), has signed an agreement with Big Three Industrial Gas, Inc. ("Big Three") and Ladd Petroleum Corporation ("Ladd") pursuant to which APC will transfer to Big Three and third party gas supplier(s) all of its interest in a 17 mile pipeline system located in Harris County, Texas.

The system supplies gas to Big Three and others. Under the agreement, APC and Ladd will transfer and be relieved of all contractual obligations to supply or transport gas to Big Three, and Ladd will transfer to AOG 513,310 shares of outstanding AOG common stock currently owned by Ladd.

AOG intends to retire the stock, which represents approximately three percent of AOG's outstanding shares. Closing of the transaction is expected prior to Nov. 30, 1990.

American Oil and Gas Corporation is engaged primarily in the natural gas gathering, transportation and marketing business.

CONTACT: William P. Conner, chief financial officer of American Oil and Gas, (713) 739-2900.

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#90290p5947 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
TAMPA, FLA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Southnet Corp. announced today that it has entered into a contract with Global Marketing Ltd. of Dublin, Ireland, for distribution rights on Southnet's "World Card" international calling service.

Under the terms of the agreement, Global Marketing will distribute exclusively for Southnet in Ireland and the United Kingdom. Global Marketing will pay Southnet $500,000 per year for five years to retain their distribution rights.

The company expects to market 40,000 World Cards within the first year of the agreement, with an ultimate goal of over 100,000 cards in the Ireland/U.K. territory. The company estimates that the agreement will generate over $4 million of annual revenue for Southnet.

Global Marketing Ltd. will formally launch the World Card program in Ireland during the second week of November, and has placed an initial order to Southnet for 10,000 cards.

Southnet Corp.'s World Card product provides international travelers with global access to the company's digital telecommunications network. World Card holders can complete calls to any destination worldwide at rates 30 to 50 percent less than alternative methods. Southnet-Europe Ltd., a wholly owned

subsidiary of Southnet Corp., located in London, is currently negotiating similar agreements in nine other territories.

Southnet is a public corporation headquartered in Tampa, Fla. Their stock is traded on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange and the OTC market.

CONTACT: Robert J. Zradicka of Southnet, 813-287-2880

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#90290p5950 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corp. today announced reduced rates of up to 5.4 percent on selected services in Louisiana.

The rate reductions apply to in-state calls made with MCI's Dial 1, Calling Card, Operator Services and Prism Plus products.

MCI customers can save 3.7 percent on Dial 1, Card and Operator Services and 5.4 percent on Prism Plus, a volume-discount service for small and mid-size businesses.

"These rate reductions offer increased savings over AT&T," said Linda Zuccari, MCI Southeast director of consumer marketing. "The savings apply to day, evening, night and weekend calls."

MCI, headquartered in Washington, provides a full range of global telecommunications services to businesses, residences and governmental agencies. The company owns and operates the world's second-largest communications network, employing advanced fiber optics, digital microwave, satellite and digital switching technologies.

CONTACT: Leslie Geiger of MCI Southeast, 404-668-6334, or
Steve Fox of MCI, 404-668-6927

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#90290p5952 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Chattahoochee Bancorp Inc. reported net income of $1,141,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, according to Rodney Knowles III, chairman.

The earnings compare with $1,159,000 net income recorded during the same period one year earlier. Earnings per share on a fully diluted basis were $.26, compared with $.26 for the same period in 1989.

The company achieved net income of $408,000 for the three-month period ending Sept. 30, as compared with net income of $431,000 for the same period in 1989.

Chattahoochee Bancorp is a metropolitan Atlanta bank holding company with The Chattahoochee Bank as its principal subsidiary.

The company had total assets at Sept. 30 of $227,478,000, a 6 percent increase from total assets of $213,715,000 a year earlier. Deposits at Sept. 30 totaled $196,680,000, up 7 percent over total deposits of $183,479,000 at Sept. 30, 1989.

Outstanding loans for Chattahoochee Bancorp at Sept. 30 were $153,813,000, compared with $155,616,000 at Sept. 30, 1989.

At Sept. 30, the allowance for loan losses was $2,176,000, or 1.41 percent of total loans, compared with $1,792,000, or 1.15 percent of total loans, at Sept. 30, 1989.

The Chattahoochee Bank is the seventh-largest non-affiliated bank headquartered in Georgia with seven locations in Cobb, Fulton and DeKalb counties.

Additional financial information is available from Don Mongin, chief financial officer, Chattahoochee Bancorp Inc., 404-952-7750.

CONTACT: Mike Turnbull or Kent Bridges, 404-873-1711, both of Ketchum Public Relations for Chattahoochee Bancorp

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#90290p5955 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Dominion Textile (Montreal: DTX) today announced the restructuring of certain weaving operations in Canada which will result in the consolidation of its industrial fabrics production in Magog, Quebec, and the closing of a plant in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.

A $5.5 million investment in replacement equipment and plant modernization will increase the efficiency of the Magog facility while allowing it to manufacture fabrics currently produced in Yarmouth. More than 130 permanent jobs will be created in Magog.

The 100-year-old Yarmouth plant, operated by Dominion Textile since 1973, will cease production in phases commencing in July 1991 and will be totally shut down in December 1991. It employs 330 people. In addition to the nine- to 14-month notice, employees will receive a severance package based on years of service.

Dominion Textile said the competitive position of both the Magog and Yarmouth plants was negatively affected during the past 18 months by low manufacturing volumes. The inevitable decision to consolidate the two operations favored Magog because a significantly lower capital investment is required to effect

the consolidation of the industrial woven fabric business.

The 14-month notice given by the corporation will allow an orderly transfer of production to Magog, thus maintaining a high level of service to customers. The Dominion Industrial Fabrics Company manufactures fabrics designed and produced to customer specifications for industrial applications.

Dominion Textile also said that in conjunction with union representatives and appropriate government agencies, all available adjustment programs, including severance pay, retraining, relocation as well as a number of other services will be explored to assist affected employees.

CONTACT: Lise Charron, 514-989-6468, for Dominion Textile

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#90290p5959 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Texas Petroleum Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: UTH) has announced that a regular quarterly dividend of five cents per share has been declared on the company's outstanding common stock. The dividend is payable on Nov. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 31.

One of the nation's largest independent producers, Houston-based Union Texas Petroleum Holdings, Inc. explores for and produces oil and gas in the United States and overseas and has petrochemicals and natural gas processing interests.

Company: Union Texas Petroleum Holdings, Inc.
Record Date: Oct. 31, 1990
Payment Date: Nov. 15, 1990
Amount: Five cents per common share

CONTACT: Carol L. Cox of Union Texas Petroleum, (713) 968-3258.

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#90290p5960 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB Corp. (NYSE: NCB) today reported net income for the third quarter of 1990 of $57.0 million or 51 cents per common share. These results compared to net income of $143.6 million, or $1.45 per common share, in the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings in the current quarter reflected a provision for loan and lease losses of $146.4 million, a significant increase over the provision of $66.3 million in the year-earlier quarter. In addition, third-quarter 1989 results included a substantially larger contribution from gains on the sale of investment securities.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 reached $334.5 million, an eight percent increase over the same period of 1989. Earnings per common share in 1990 were $3.15, compared to $3.30 per common share for the first nine months of 1989.

Excluding the effect of investment securities gains, net income for the first nine months of 1990 rose 25 percent to $304.9 million, and earnings per common share rose 11 percent to $2.85. Dividends per common share have risen 31 percent to $1.05 for the first nine months of 1990, while return on common shareholders' equity was 15.02 percent during this time period.

"NCNB's earnings this quarter reflect the difficult operating environment facing banks today," said Hugh McColl, NCNB Chairman. "Continuing increases in problem loans and loan losses, combined with the continuing deterioration of the U.S. economy, dictate our cautious stance on credit quality issues. This caution was illustrated by our decision to strengthen our reserve for loan and lease losses by $67 million in the third quarter, to $593 million."

"However, we continue to benefit from our broad franchise in the Carolinas, Florida, and Texas, markets that are relatively stronger than the nation as a whole," continued McColl. "This is evidenced by our ability to achieve loan and fee-based income growth in the face of a weaker national economy. And our balance sheet has maintained a high degree of liquidity and a solid capital position".

Using 1990 transitional guidelines, Tier I risk-based capital was $3.3 billion on September 30, 1990, or 6.31 percent of risk-weighted assets. This placed NCNB's ratio above the regulatory minimum guideline of 3.625 percent.

Total capital stood at $5.1 billion, or 9.70 percent of risk-weighted assets, compared to the minimum guideline of 7.25 percent. NCNB's current risk-weighted capital ratios also exceeded required levels under the final 1992 guidelines.

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#90290p5965 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST LAFAYETTE, IND. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Great Lakes Chemical Corporation (NYSE: GLK) today reported record earnings and revenues for both the third quarter and for the first nine months of 1990.

Record earnings for the 1990 third quarter of $35,429,000, or $1.01 per share, were 12 percent higher than the $31,655,000, or $.90 per share, reported in the same period last year. Revenues for the quarter rose 14 percent to a new

high of $279,791,000 compared to the $244,805,000 posted in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of this year, net income gained 14 percent to an all-time high of $104,272,000, or $2.97 per share, versus the $91,461,000, or $2.62 per share, earned in the same period one year ago. Revenues of $811,831,000 also reached record levels, jumping 33 percent from the $610,169,000 registered for the first three quarters of 1989.

Emerson Kampen, chairman, president and CEO, commented, "The first nine months of 1990 have been extremely rewarding both from the standpoint of our record financial results, as well as showcasing Great Lakes' fundamental strengths. The company is well on the way to posting its best year ever during a period when the domestic economy has grown at a negligible rate and the chemical industry on average has shown year-to-year earnings drops in each quarter.

"Much of the growth," he continued, "has taken place in overseas markets. Sales outside the United States again reached new heights, reflecting the great strides we have made in augmenting the company's global presence. Flame retardant demand remained very strong, particularly in the Far East, and our wholly-owned subsidiary, Great Lakes Chemical (Europe) continued to show marked improvement from one year ago."

He added, "Our OSCA subsidiary and Octel Associates affiliate also contributed to the quarter's success. OSCA benefited from growing worldwide acceptance of its completion fluids technology, combined with a sharp increase in drilling activity. Octel demonstrated once again the steady, non-cyclical nature of its business."

He also pointed out that, despite the record levels achieved in the quarter, the company still felt the limiting effects of a soft economy. "Huntsman Chemical Corporation reported marginally lower earnings. A sluggish U.S. foundry industry held earnings from our furfural derivatives business to levels well below the second quarter and as compared to the third quarter 1989. However, I'm confident the furfural business is on the verge of returning to past growth levels based on our progress in improving production yields while reducing costs and developing new, value-added specialty chemicals."

Kampen concluded, "Our performance in the quarter and for the year to date clearly demonstrates the company's ability to register growth in the midst of a difficult business environment. Even though most economists don't agree as to what the future holds, I believe that our leadership positions in a diverse range of markets that span the globe, coupled with the introduction of new products in some key segments, will enable Great Lakes to make further progress in the months ahead."

Great Lakes Chemical Corporation, a Fortune 500 company, is the world's

leading producer of bromine, brominated chemicals and furfural derivatives for such applications as flame retardants, agriculture, oil and gas well completion fluids, water sanitizers and other specialty applications. The stock of the company is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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Great Lakes Chemical Corporation, 317-497-6100

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#90290p5967 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Valspar Corporation (ASE: VAL) announced today that it has been authorized to repurchase, over a period of 12 months, up to 1,000,000 shares, or about nine percent of its outstanding common stock.

The authorization gives management discretion in determining conditions under which shares may be purchased from time to time, either in market transactions or negotiated private purchases.

The repurchase authorization replaces a similar one authorized in October 1988 under which approximately 355,000 shares were repurchased. As of Oct. 16, 1990 there were 10,875,000 shares of common stock outstanding, and the closing price quoted on the American Stock Exchange was $29.375.

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#90290p5973 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) and the Arrowhead Water Corporation, a Perrier Group of America Company, today introduced the first mid-range heavy duty truck powered by methanol.

"What Ford learns about methanol as a heavy truck engine fuel could have important implications for future generations of heavy trucks, and for our nation's air quality," said Donald R. Buist, director of Ford's Automotive Emissions and Fuel Economy Office.

The joint project is sponsored by the California Energy Commission (CEC) and the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) as part of an Alternative-Fueled Truck Demonstration Program.

Charles Imbrecht, California Energy Commission chairman, is optimistic about the nation's first demonstration of methanol in heavy duty truck engines.

"California continues to lead the way in the development and testing of clean burning transportation fuels, and results from this demonstration program will

confirm that one of these fuels -- methanol -- can measurably improve the state's deteriorating air quality," he said.

The methanol-powered Arrowhead beverage truck will be used to deliver bottled drinking water to residential customers in southern California. It is on display as part of the California Clean Air and New Technology Conference which opened here Oct. 15 and concludes today at the Los Angeles Westin Bonaventure Hotel.

Ford redesigned a Ford New Holland 6.6-liter diesel engine into a spark-ignition engine for operation with M85 methanol fuel (85 percent methanol and 15 percent gasoline) for use in Arrowhead's Ford F800 beverage delivery truck.

The dedicated methanol engine has sequentially timed, electronically controlled port fuel injection and a distributorless ignition system. It has been designed to meet the 1991 heavy-duty truck gasoline-engine emission standards established by the California Air Resources Board.

The joint program with the Arrowhead truck is scheduled to run for one year. At the conclusion of the program, Ford will evaluate the methanol engine compared to the diesel engine it replaced on the basis of customer acceptance criteria such as performance, driveability and durability.

CONTACT: Linda Becker of Ford Environmental and Safety Communications, 313-594-4175

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DALLAS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Enserch Corporation (NYSE: ENS) and its 99.2 percent-owned oil and gas limited partnership, Enserch Exploration Partners (NYSE: EP) announced today that their third-quarter 1990 earnings will be negatively affected by a class-action lawsuit brought against them by royalty owners in the Tri-Cities field in Henderson County in East Texas.

Enserch and EP have established a $16 million reserve in anticipation of the settlement of the lawsuit. As a result of this reserve, a charge will be taken against third-quarter results, and a loss is expected in the third quarter by each entity. Before the charge, both entities were expected to be profitable for the third quarter. Each entity's third-quarter results are expected to be finalized and announced next week.

Enserch is a diversified energy, engineering and construction company. EP conducts most of the domestic oil and gas operations of Enserch.

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Enserch.

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#90290p5983 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - FMC Corporation (NYSE: FMC) today announced third quarter net income of $35 million, or $0.98 per share. This is a 2 percent improvement from 1989 third quarter earnings of $35 million, or $0.96 per share, before extraordinary items. Net income in the year-ago quarter after extraordinary items was $31 million or $0.86 per share. Sales rose 12 percent to $941 million for the quarter.

Strong performance by the defense systems segment offset weakness in industrial and performance chemicals. A favorable tax rate also improved the quarter's results.

Quarterly Review of Operations

Industrial chemicals sales rose 6 percent in the quarter to $248 million, but earnings declined. The margin reduction resulted from manufacturing problems at the phosphorus chemicals and lithium businesses during the quarter. Domestic demand is weakening across most of our chemical product lines.

Performance chemicals sales grew 5 percent in the quarter, but profits declined. Continuing difficulties in agricultural chemical markets, both domestic and international, hurt profitability for the segment.

Precious metals sales rose 5 percent in the quarter on higher gold and silver volumes. Volume increases were largely attributable to production from the relatively high-cost Royal Mountain King mine. Average realized prices for gold and silver in the quarter were comparable to the 1989 third quarter, including hedging gains. Higher-cost production offset the sales increase and resulted in lower profitability for this segment.

Machinery and equipment sales increased 9 percent in the quarter, and profits rose. The food machinery and petroleum equipment businesses led the sales increase. Backlog in petroleum equipment continued to strengthen during the quarter.

Defense systems sales jumped 27 percent, and profits rose substantially in the quarter because of the timing of deliveries of major orders to the U.S. Navy and M113 armored personnel carriers to international customers. During the quarter a $7.5 billion arms package for Saudi Arabia was submitted to the U.S. Congress. The proposal represents $150 million in sales for FMC and includes 200 Bradley Fighting Vehicles.

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312-861-6104, of FMC

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#90290p5986 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CT (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Linde Division of Union Carbide Industrial Gases Inc. began production of arsine this month at its new $16 million electronics gases center, located on a 188-acre site south of Kingman, Ariz.

Phosphine production is expected to being in November. Arsine and phosphine are two critical gases required for compound and silicon semiconductor fabrication.

When completed, this dedicated specialty process gases production facility will also mix and package a full line of ultrahigh-purity gases, including silane, dichlorosilane, etchant gases and inert carrier gases.

The facility is strategically located to serve the electronics industry in the United States. Some of its products will also be distributed overseas.

The Kingman Electronics Gases Center is designed to set new standards for quality, purity, and consistency to meet the ever-increasing demands of the semiconductor industry.

Using proprietary techniques and procedures developed by Linde, the facility's unique design and production capabilities distinguish it from all other specialty process gases facilities in the world. The facility also incorporates the best available safety and environmental technology to assure the safe processing, storage, and distribution of toxic gases.

Fill areas at the Kingman Electronics Gases Center will use the most advanced American and Japanese ultraclean components so that side-by-side comparisons can be made to determine which delivers the best performance.

To minimize particle contribution from the production environment, cylinders will be processed and filled in Class 10 enclosures within Class 100 cleanrooms. Electropolished piping systems using 316L stainless steel throughout will be used for all VLSI and ULSI gas production. Analytical equipment employed at Kingman will be capable of detecting many VLSI and ULSI gas contaminants to parts-per-billion levels.

A comprehensive Information Management System will facilitate statistical process control and statistical quality control data collection and analysis. The Kingman facility will also contain a separate development laboratory for continuous improvement of gas purity and consistency, analytical methods and contamination reduction.

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#90290p5988 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARTINSBURG, W.VA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Mountaineer Bankshares of W.Va. Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MTNR) today announced an increase in net income for the third quarter of 1990 and increased earnings for the first nine months compared to the same period last year.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 increased by 256 percent to $1,107,000 or $0.42 per share compared to $311,000 or $0.12 per share for the same period in 1989. Those profits boosted earnings for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, to $3,214,000, a 26 percent increase over the $2,556,000 earned the previous year.

Nine months' earnings per share were $1.22 in 1990 vs. $0.97 in 1989. Mountaineer's return on average assets through Sept. 30, 1990, was 0.81 percent compared to 0.63 percent last year.

"The large percentage increase in earnings results from comparing this year's earnings to 1989, which was a year of abnormally high credit losses and weak earnings," said Mountaineer Bankshares President Brent D. Robinson. "We have made some progress in the loan area, as charge-offs are down nearly a million dollars compared to last year, and our overhead expense has been reduced in excess of a half a million dollars year-to-date. However, our non-performing loans are high, which requires us to keep our allowance for loan losses at above 2 percent of outstanding loans, and we will probably not be able to further reduce our loan loss provision from its current levels for the next few quarters."

Mountaineer Bankshares is the holding company of five West Virginia banks, including Old National Bank, Martinsburg/Charles Town/ Berkeley Springs; The Empire National Bank of Clarksburg; City National Bank of Fairmont; The Bank of Wadestown, Fairview/Barrackville; and Mercantile Banking & Trust Co., Moundsville.

MOUNTAINEER BANKSHARES OF W.VA. INC.
Martinsburg, W.Va.
Summary Financial Data
In thousands of dollars (except per share amounts)
(unaudited)

Period ended	Third Quarter		Nine Months	
ended	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net income	$1,107	$311	$3,214	$2,556
Per share	$.42	$.12	$1.22	$.97
Net interest income	5,541	5,522	16,649	16,953
Noninterest income	520	561	1,635	1,611
Noninterest expense	4,096	4,285	12,337	12,915

Loss provision	538	1,679	1,748	2,778
Net chargeoffs	727	744	1,505	2,487

Balance sheet	9/30/90	9/30/89
Assets	$542,000	$539,636
Deposits	473,449	470,939
Loans, net of unearned interest	246,562	271,821
Shareholders' equity	48,741	47,928
Loan loss reserve	5,180	4,546
Loan loss reserve/loans (pct.)	2.10	1.67
Nonperforming loans	11,798	4,611
Nonperforming loans/loans (pct.)	4.79	1.70
Primary capital ratio (pct.)	9.95	9.72

Earnings per share have been computed based on the weighted average of 2,638,010 and 2,641,891 shares outstanding for the three-month and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, and 2,644,128 shares outstanding for the three-month and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1989.

CONTACT: Brent Robinson, president of Mountaineer Bankshares of W.Va., 304-263-0861, or home at 304-263-8525

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#90290p5991 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Family Circle, which has helped propel women's professional tennis to the prominence it enjoys today, has signed an multimillion-dollar contract with NBC-TV for a multiyear extension to broadcast the Family Circle Magazine Cup live from the Sea Pines Plantation Racquet Club, Hilton Head Island, S.C.

The Family Circle Magazine Cup enjoys the highest viewership of any all-women's tennis tourney. Ratings of the finals this year were up 35 percent, outpacing the women's finals of the French Open and comparable to the women's finals at Wimbledon.

When it premiered in 1973, the Family Circle Cup was the first all- women's pro tournament to be broadcast on network TV. The tournament over the years has served as the national television debut for many tennis careers. Jennifer Capriati was introduced to the tennis world as she took to the courts at last year's tournament, and Chris Evert started her new career in the broadcast booth.

"We have had a dedication and commitment to this tournament to make it the premier women's sports marketing event ever since we started it nearly 19 years ago," said Charles H. Townsend, president and chief operating officer of Family Circle. "A women's sports event of this scale creates a tremendous opportunity for corporate sponsors. The Family Circle Magazine Cup was the

prototype, and it has been developed to the point where it has become the most powerful sports marketing event of the year," he added.

The finals of the tournament this year had a 3.5 rating, or approximately 11 million viewers. "Research shows that the tournament is very attractive in garnering professionals and upper income groups as viewers," Townsend said. The tournament is held over five days and includes the network broadcast of the tennis semifinals and finals, golf, on-site brand marketing and product visibility, and guest packages for entertaining key customers or for incentive meetings. Each Family Circle Magazine Cup sponsor receives a custom-tailored multimedia/promotional package maximizing its tournament involvement.

Sponsors are given a package of advertisements in Family Circle and Tennis magazine and commercial time during the NBC live broadcast of the matches. Television includes two 30-second network spots per day (four total) plus exclusive identification for official cup sponsors via national TV billboards. Promotional packages and worldwide media coverage add additional reach.

Also included in the sponsorship package are on-site sampling/display booths for the more than 37,000 attendees, on-court signage, and tournament guest entertainment packages for business meetings or entertaining.

NBC will broadcast the semifinals of the tournament live from the Sea Pines Plantation Racquet Club from 4 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, April 6, and the finals from 1 to 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 7, 1991.

Family Circle magazine is the world's largest-selling women's magazine and is published every three weeks by The New York Times Company Magazine Group.

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#90290p5994 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CONN. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Society for Savings Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: SOCS) today reported a net loss of $3.6 million in the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 or 30 cents per share, down from $9.1 million or 76 cents per share in net income for the same period last year. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $2.4 million or 20 cents per share, a decrease of $23.8 million or $2 per share when excluding the effect of two material non-recurring items in 1989. These two items in the second quarter of 1989 were a gain from the sale of the credit card portfolio and an acceleration of goodwill amortization (expense), which increased earnings by $14.5 million on an after-tax basis.

Net interest income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $27.8 million compared to $27.0 million for the third quarter ended 1989. Shareholders' equity decreased $24.8 million from $270.6 million at Sept. 30,

1989 to $245.8 million one year later. This decrease represents for the most part a $25.8 million unrealized loss on its marketable equity securities portfolio at Sept. 30, 1990. The ratio of equity to assets was 5.77 percent at Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to 6.25 percent a year earlier. Total assets were $4.3 billion at Sept. 30, 1990 unchanged from Sept. 30, 1989. Total loans were $2.7 billion on Sept. 30, 1990 down from the $2.9 billion at Sept 30, 1989.

Non-performing assets were $164.8 million at Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of $74.1 million from Dec. 31, 1989 and an increase of $65.4 million since Sept. 30, 1989. Non-performing assets were 3.87 percent of total assets, consisting of $109.1 million of non- accrual loans, $37.0 million of repossessed assets, $4.7 million of performing loans restructured to lower interest rates and $14.0 million of loans delinquent more than 90 days but still accruing interest. Total allowance for loan losses was $49.5 million, an increase of $15.5 million since Dec. 31, 1989 and $12.6 million from Sept. 30, 1989. The ratio of the allowance for loan losses to total loans was 1.80 percent at Sept. 30, 1990.

Society attributes its current loss in the third quarter 1990 and lower year-to-date 1990 earnings to the increased level of commercial real estate non-performing assets. The rising level of non-performing assets has led to an increase of $2.7 million in the loan loss provision in the third quarter of 1990 over the same period in 1989. The total loan loss provision is $16.7 million for three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Overall, 1990 loan loss provision is $34.6 million at Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of $13.2 million, when compared to the prior year's provision for the same nine month period. Increased non- performing assets also reduced the net interest margin and operating expenses have grown because of an increase in problem loan workout costs and in the carrying costs of foreclosed property and repossessed assets.

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AUSTIN, Texas (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Continuum Company, Inc. (AMEX: CNU) announced that it has acquired through a wholly-owned subsidiary, ownership of 99.8 percent of the outstanding ordinary shares of Computations Holdings Limited of Sydney, Australia, pursuant to a share exchange offer dated Oct. 12 1990, and pursuant to a majority shareholders' agreement dated Oct. 17, 1990, between Continuum and the three largest shareholders of Computations. Computations' three largest shareholders were the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales, the State Authorities Superannuation Board and Computations Pty. Limited.

In consideration for the ordinary shares of Computations, Continuum issued

1,746,970 shares of its common stock. Approximately 3,030 Continuum common shares will be issued for the remainder of Computations' outstanding ordinary shares.

Computations is an international consulting and computer services firm providing computer software and services to the financial services industry, primarily life and property and casualty insurance companies. In addition to Computations' presence in the United States and in the United Kingdom, the acquisition of Computations represents an extension of Continuum's business due to Computations' presence in Australia and in Northern Europe. Assets acquired include the software products COGEN, COLOSSUS AND CLOAS. COGEN is a comprehensive software system for the property and casualty insurance industry. COLOSSUS is an expert system for the valuation of bodily injury claims. CLOAS is an administrative system for life insurance companies.

For the year ended June 30, 1990, Computations' revenues totaled $41,400,000 and net losses were $27,200,000. Losses included significant non-recurring expenses and included losses attributable to operations not being acquired by Continuum; in any event, Continuum believes the June 30, 1990 results are not indicative of future performance.

Immediately on closing, Continuum has begun a restructuring of the operations of Computations, with Continuum senior management installed in Sydney and in the United Kingdom and European operations of Computations. The restructuring will include a reduction in personnel and a combination of Computations' United Kingdom facilities into Continuum's United Kingdom facilities.

Continuum will account for its acquisition of Computations as a purchase. Costs associated with the restructuring will be provided for as of the date of acquisition.

The acquisition agreements provided that, among other things, Computations would dispose of its ownership in its U.S. and Canadian subsidiaries prior to closing. Computations would assume certain of the contractual obligations of such subsidiaries, however, Continuum and Computations would be indemnified against losses under the assumed contracts.

Cash balances at closing were approximately $12 million. The acquisition agreements provide for post-closing adjustment of cash amounts under certain conditions.

Additionally, the acquired businesses had no bank debt at closing, exclusive of obligations pursuant to a research and development syndication which are substantially offset by research and development syndication funds on deposit.

Continuum expects to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission today a Form 8-K report which will include the referenced agreements as well as audited financial statements of Computations.

The Continuum Company is an international consulting and computer services firm based in Austin, Texas, serving the needs of life insurance and other financial services companies for computer software and services.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - First Bank System, Inc. (NYSE: FBS) today reported third quarter 1990 net income of $35.3 million, an increase of $5.4 million, or 18.1 percent, from the second quarter of 1990. Earnings of $6.1 million were reported in the same period a year ago. On a per share basis, earnings were $.39 in the third quarter of 1990 compared with $.38 in the second quarter of 1990 and $.01 in the third quarter a year ago.

The improvement in net income from the prior quarter reflects a $3.8 million increase in net interest income on a taxable-equivalent basis and a $3.8 million reduction in noninterest expense offset partially by a $4.0 million increase in the provision for credit losses.

The Comptroller of the Currency recently completed its annual credit examination of the company's lead bank in Minneapolis without requiring any increase in the aggregate level of the allowance for credit losses. Provision for credit losses in the third quarter of 1990 was $35.0 million compared with $31.0 million in the second quarter and $35.5 million in the third quarter of 1989. Domestic net charge- offs were $46.3 million in the third quarter of 1990 compared with $42.5 million in the second quarter and $46.9 million in the same period a year ago. Domestic nonperforming assets were $356.7 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $364.1 million at June 30, 1990, and $328.6 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

Results in the third quarter of 1990 also reflect tax benefits related to the utilization of operating loss carryforwards of $.07 per share compared with $.03 per share in the second quarter.

First Bank System's Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, John F. Grundhofer said, "Our third quarter results reflect the steady progress we are making in rebuilding the company. Our restructuring program has now been underway for a year. As a result, First Bank System is well positioned to meet the challenge of today's difficult banking environment. Even so, we continue to believe that nonperforming asset levels may be volatile over the next several quarters."

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SEATTLE (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Washington Water Power Company (NYSE: WWP) today reported increased earnings from continuing operations for both the third quarter of 1990 and the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, primarily as a result of strong performance by its electric operations.

Total earnings for both reporting periods reflect a one-time gain from the third quarter sale of the company's coal mining assets. WWP's subsidiary, Widco, sold its 50 percent interest in the Centralia Coal Mine to the mine's co-owner, PacifiCorp, on July 31, 1990.

The resulting non-recurring after-tax gain of $13.5 million resulted in total consolidated earnings per share for the third quarter of $0.81, as compared with earnings of $0.20 per share for the same quarter in 1989. Earnings from the company's continuing operations during the third quarter amounted to $0.33 per share.

For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, total earnings per share, including the gain from the coal mine sale, were $3.54. Earnings from continuing operations for the 12-month period were $2.82, compared with earnings of $2.53 per share from continuing operations for the same 12-month period in 1989.

Net Income for the third quarter was $18.8 million on revenue of $119.1 million versus earnings of $4.4 million on revenue of $113.9 million in the third period 1989. For the 12-month period, earnings were $80.3 million on revenue of $549.1 million as compared with net income of $61 million on revenue of $506.4 million in the same period last year.

Paul A. Redmond, WWP chairman and chief executive officer, said the improvement the company achieved in its utility operations was the most significant development of the third quarter.

"Third quarter earnings from continuing operations increased a full 65 percent - from 20 cents per share a year ago, to 33 cents per share this year," Redmond said. "Strong performance by our utility operations, primarily in our retail electric sales, accounted for 29 cents of that 33-cent total for the quarter."

He said the retail electric revenue increase during the quarter resulted from increased air conditioning loads caused by warmer than normal temperatures in July and August.

Continued warm weather delayed the normal start of the heating season in late September, Redmond said, which reduced retail electric usage and revenues late in the quarter and caused a slight decline in gas consumption on a

per-customer basis for the entire period.

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TORONTO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Campeau Corporation today announced the appointment of Patrick J. Kelly, Q.C., P. Eng., to its board of directors. Kelly, a development consultant, succeeds Anthony F. Griffiths who resigned from the board on Oct. 15.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Cooper Rolls, an equally owned joint venture marketing company of Cooper Industries, Inc. (NYSE: CBE) and Rolls-Royce plc of London, England, has received orders valued at over $120 million over the past several months. It will begin shipping the equipment during the fourth quarter.

The orders are for 14 Coberra(R) gas turbines and a variety of Cooper-Bessemer(R) gas compression equipment. The equipment will be installed in natural gas transmission, gas lift, oil and gas production, and power generation applications. Cooper's share of the orders is more than $80 million.

BP Exploration has purchased five Coberra gas turbine packages for the Bruce offshore platform in the North Sea. Three units, which will be used for gas compression service, will drive Cooper-Bessemer gas compressors. The other two units will be used for power generation. The five, 200-ton turbine packages, which will be completed in the fourth quarter of 1991, will be shipped to onshore construction yards for installation in the major platform equipment modules.

Bariven Corporation, a purchasing division of Petroleos De Venezuela, has ordered for Maraven, also a division of Petroleos De Venezuela, two Coberra gas turbines, each driving Cooper-Bessemer compressors. One unit will be installed on the LAMA II platform offshore Lake Maracaibo. The other unit has been ordered for Maraven's LAGO I onshore site. Both units are scheduled for delivery in the first quarter of 1991.

For offshore Norway, on behalf of Elf Aquitaine Norge, Thermodyn/Framatone has ordered two Coberra gas turbines for its Frigg TCP2 offshore platform. These

units are scheduled for delivery to Elf Aquitaine Norge in the fourth quarter of this year.

For gas transmission, NOVA Corporation of Alberta, Canada, has ordered three Coberra gas turbines, each driving a Cooper-Bessemer pipeline centrifugal compressor. Scheduled for delivery in the second and third quarters of 1991, the units will be installed in three of NOVA's new compressor stations in the Alberta province. NOVA has now ordered a total of 17 Cooper Rolls gas turbines for installation in its gas transmission system.

Also for gas transmission, Northern Border Pipeline Company has ordered one Coberra gas turbine, driving a Cooper-Bessemer pipeline centrifugal compressor. The unit is scheduled for delivery in the second quarter of 1991 to Northern Border's site near Williston, N.D.

For onshore power generation service, Korea Petrochemical Industries Company, Ltd. has ordered a Coberra gas turbine. The unit will be used for both power generation and ethylene furnace pre-heat at Korea Petrochemical's Onsan site in the Republic of Korea. Delivery is scheduled for the fourth quarter of 1990.

Cooper Rolls is the exclusive marketer of Coberra gas turbine systems and related equipment worldwide. A Coberra turbine combines a Rolls-Royce industrial gas generator with a Cooper-Bessemer(R) power turbine.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Engineers and electronics experts from Logicon Inc. (NYSE: LGN) will modify, upgrade, and provide other technical support for specialized elements of the U.S. Navy's tactical data systems, the company said today.

Initial value of the five-year contract is $1.746 million. With its four one-year options, total contract value could be about $7.4 million.

Under the service and support contract, Logicon will develop, modify, and upgrade the Navy's MULTOTS/ISA (Multiple Unit Link Test and Operator Training System/Interface Simulator Analyzer). MULTOTS was first developed by Logicon in 1976 and the Navy currently is using advanced derivatives developed by the company in the late 1980's.

Logicon also will support Link Monitoring Systems equipment and provide engineering, technical analysis, and equipment maintenance. Those systems were developed by Logicon to monitor the operation of tactical data links in real time. They can be used to evaluate link effectiveness and to troubleshoot

problems in certain operational data links.

The systems help to provide effective interoperability and communications between the U.S. Navy and other U.S. and allied military services.

Logicon is a leader in providing advanced technology systems and services to support national security, civil and industrial needs.

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HARTSVILLE, S.C. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Sonoco Products Company (NASDAQ-NMS: SONO) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 23 cents per share. This 264th consecutive quarterly dividend will be payable December 10 to shareholders of record November 16.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Bank Corporation (NYSE: CBK) today reported third-quarter net income of $40 million, or $0.58 per common share, compared with $65 million, or $1.04 per common share, in the third quarter of 1989. Net income increased $30 million over the same period last year, excluding a gain of $55 million on the sale of a London office building recognized in the 1989 third quarter.

Continental's income from continuing operations was also $40 million in the 1990 third quarter, compared with $93 million, or $1.55 per common share, in the 1989 third quarter. Income from continuing operations increased $2 million over the same period last year, excluding the $55 million gain. On this basis the increase in income from continuing operations resulted primarily from higher combined trading profits and lower employee expense, partially offset by a higher provision for credit losses.

Income from continuing operations was $20 million higher than second quarter 1990, excluding the second-quarter establishment of a $46 million reserve to cover the cost of realigning product lines and a $21 million loss on the sale of long-held investment securities. The improvement primarily was due to higher revenues and lower operating expenses.

"We accomplished a great deal in the third quarter," said Continental Chairman Thomas C. Theobald. "When you factor out last year's real estate gain, we're performing on a better pace than we were a year ago. In fact, on a quarterly basis our core business results are the best we've recorded in the last five

quarters.

"Also encouraging is the fact that we reduced operating expenses from the 1989 third quarter," Theobald added. "Maintaining a tight rein on costs is absolutely crucial. We got a jump on many of our competitors by taking decisive action in the 1990 second quarter, and we will persist in our efforts to control expenses going forward."

For the first nine months of 1990, Continental reported net income of $40 million, or $0.24 per common share, compared with $205 million, or $3.28 per common share, a year ago. Income from continuing operations totaled $56 million, or $0.53 per common share, for the first nine months of 1990, down from $263 million, or $4.37 per common share, a year ago.

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GOLDEN VALLEY, MINN. (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Tara Corp. and Medisys, Inc., announced today that the terms of a proposed merger between them has been approved in principle by both corporations. Pursuant to a letter of intent, Medisys would be the surviving corporation. Tara stockholders would receive shares of common stock of Medisys in exchange for their Tara shares at the rate of one share of Medisys common stock for every seven shares of Tara Corp. common stock outstanding. Warrants to purchase Tara common stock will also be converted in the same ratio.

The proposed merger is subject to the execution of a definite agreement and approval thereof by the boards of directors and shareholders of Tara and Medisys and to the satisfaction of other customary conditions, including any approvals and consents that may be required for the transaction. Medisys will file a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission and will apply for listing of the shares of its common stock to be issued in the transaction on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System. It is expected that a special meeting of Tara stockholders will be called in January of 1991 to consider the merger proposal.

Tara, a Minnesota corporation, was formed for use as a vehicle to raise capital to acquire a business which it perceived to have long-term growth and profit potential. Medisys, Inc., a Delaware corporation headquartered in Edina, Minn., currently owns two operating subsidiaries: CareVan Medical Systems, Inc. and PharmCare, Inc. These companies provide a wide range of high-technology home health care services. These services include infusion therapy (the intravenous /IV/ administration of nutritional agents, antibiotics, anticoagulation agents, chemotherapeutic agents and pain management agents), treatment of infectious diseases and gastrointestinal

ailments, perinatal services and diagnostic testing.

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ST. PETERSBURG, FL (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Geonex Corporation (NASDAQ: GEOX) announced today a major purchase of advanced photogrammetry equipment from the Carl Zeiss company (Thornwood, N.Y.). This state of the art equipment was delivered to all Geonex U.S. locations as well as two company locations outside the continental United States.

Carl Zeiss is the industry leader in the manufacturing of high-tech photogrammetric equipment, including the well-known P-Series Analytical Stereoplotters.

The Geonex purchase included such instruments as the Planicomp P2 and P3 with superimposition and CADMAP Software, FMC Aerial Camera equipment, editing workstations and an Orthophoto system.

This advanced equipment will be an important asset in the completion of Geonex's extensive contracts for mapping and resource interpretation, directly benefiting the telephone, electric and gas utilities; local, state and municipal governments; and other commercial industries served by Geonex.

Geonex Corporation, based in St. Petersburg, Fla., is the United States' largest geo-information company. Using the most advanced technology, Geonex provides mapping, and resource interpretation services to telephone, electric and gas utilities, local, state and federal government agencies and a variety of commercial industries. Geonex now has overall competence in mapping for agriculture and forestry as well as oil, gas and mineral exploration. In the environmental and hazardous waste area, Geonex provides the following services through two units: Analysis and testing services; and environmental hazardous waste site investigation and database management services.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Illinois Tool Works Inc. (NYSE: ITW) today reported record third quarter and nine month operating revenues, operating income and net income.

Third quarter 1990 operating revenues were $647.3 million, an increase of 18 percent over 1989 third quarter operating revenues of $546.9 million. Operating income in the 1990 third quarter was $88.3 million, an increase of

16 percent over the 1989 third quarter.

Net income in the 1990 third quarter was $46.2 million or 84 cents per share, an increase of 13 percent over 1989 third quarter net income of $40.9 million or 76 cents per share. Translation gains accounted for 4.5 cents per share in the quarter, which were offset by 4.2 cents per share related to the assimilation of two recent acquisitions.

Nine month 1990 operating revenues were $1.9 billion, an increase of 16 percent over 1989 nine month operating revenues of $1.6 billion. Operating income in the 1990 nine months was $255.4 million, an increase of 12 percent over the 1989 nine months.

Net income in the 1990 first half was $136.7 million or $2.52 per share, an increase of 12 percent over 1989 nine month net income of $122.3 million or $2.29 per share.

Operating revenues and operating income were up in both domestic and international operations in the third quarter and nine months.

The company's two segments, engineered components and industrial systems and consumables, had increases in operating revenues in the 1990 third quarter and nine months. Operating income for engineered components was essentially flat in the third quarter and up in the nine months, while operating income for industrial systems and consumables was up in both the third quarter and nine months.

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LA JOLLA, CA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - National Health Laboratories Incorporated (NASDAQ: NHLI) announced today results of operations for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter increased from $100.9 million in 1989 to $126 million in 1990 and for the nine-month period increased from $294.7 million in 1989 to $375.5 million in 1990.

Net earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $20.2 million, or $.20 per share, as compared with $14.9 million, or $.15 per share, for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net earnings were $61.6 million, or $.62 per share, as compared with $47.8 million, or $.48 per share, for the corresponding period in 1989. Per-share information is based on a weighted average number of shares outstanding of 99,066,600 shares and 99,042,204 shares during the third- quarter and nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively. For both the third-quarter and nine-month period in

1989, per-share information is based on 99 million shares outstanding.

The company is one the leading clinical laboratory companies in the United States, providing testing services primarily to physicians as well as to hospitals, clinics, nursing homes and other clinical laboratories in 41 states.

NATIONAL HEALTH LABORATORIES INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES
Summarized Financial Information
(Dollars in millions, except per-share data)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$126.0	$100.9	$375.5	$294.7
Earnings before income taxes	32.9	24.8	102.9	79.6
Provision for income taxes	(12.7)	(9.9)	(41.3)	(31.8)
Net earnings	20.2	14.9	61.6	47.8
Earnings per common share(A)	$0.20	$0.15	$0.62	$0.48

(A) -- Based upon a weighted average number of shares outstanding of 99,066,600 shares and 99,042,204 shares during the quarter and nine- month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively. For both the third- quarter and nine-month period in 1989, per-share information is based on 99 million shares outstanding.

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WILKES-BARRE, PA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - First Eastern Corp. (NASDAQ: FEBC) today reported net income fell to $1.66 per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, down 31 percent from $2.42 a year earlier.

For the quarter, net income per share was $.46 compared to $.81 last year, a drop of 43 percent.

A primary reason for these results was a large increase in the provision for loan losses. This was due in part to a higher level of nonperforming assets and a building of the allowance for credit loss in a time of uncertainty. The year-to-date provision was increased to $15.4 million, as compared to $5.3 million a year earlier, while the provision for the quarter was increased to $6.5 million, as compared to $1.7 million.

"In this quarter, we continued to add substantially to our reserves against future loan losses," noted Richard M. Ross Jr., chairman and chief executive officer. "These increases protect the company against individual loans that have shown signs of weakness, as well as categories of loans which could develop problems in the future.

"We believe that these increases have allowed First Eastern to anticipate any

potential deterioration in its loan portfolio due to current and foreseeable adverse economic trends. In fact, we believe these writedowns are in many cases in excess of the losses that experience tells us we may eventually sustain," Ross said.

In general, northeastern Pennsylvania, First Eastern's primary marketplace, has not felt the erosion in real estate values to anywhere near the same degree as New Jersey and New England, Ross said, adding: "Commercial vacancy rates remain very low and there have been no unsuccessful multifamily housing units or retail shopping areas built."

However, Ross noted that while a slowdown in the growth of the Pocono area will affect customers, "we believe the size of our individual extensions plus the conservative loan to value standards we have used in our underwriting will minimize any possible loss."

Overall, year-to-date net earnings were $16.6 million, down 30 percent from $23.6 million last year for the nine months ended September 30, 1990. Quarterly earnings were $4.6 million, down 42 percent from $7.9 million a year earlier.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Crompton & Knowles Corporation, (NYSE: CNK) a producer and marketer of specialty chemicals and equipment, today announced that third quarter earnings per share increased 22 percent to 28 cents per share from 23 cents per share in 1989. Net earnings of $7 million increased 20 percent from $5.8 million in the third quarter of 1989. Sales for the latest quarter rose 10 percent to $96.3 million from $87.9 million. All per-share figures reflect the two-for-one stock split effective Aug. 24, 1990.

The company's nine-month results showed similar gains as net earnings and net earnings per share rose 23 percent to $22.7 million, or 92 cents per share, from $18.5 million, or 75 cents per share, in the prior year. Crompton & Knowles' sales for the nine months were up 7 percent to $289.1 million from $270.7 million in 1989.

Third quarter results from the company's two business segments were as follows:

Specialty Chemicals Sales of the company's specialty chemicals business increased 12 percent in the quarter, with particularly strong gains in the foreign dyes and the domestic industrial dyes businesses. In the textile dyes market, demand for dyes used on cotton and cotton knitwear blends remained high in the United States and in Europe. During the quarter the company

concluded the acquisition of Atlantic Industries, Inc., thereby broadening its existing textile and paper dyes business and increasing its production capacity. Sales of specialty ingredients remained virtually unchanged from the prior year primarily due to an ongoing program of rationalizing certain spice and seasoning business.

Specialty Process Equipment & Controls While overall industry demand in the plastics extruder market weakened, the company increased its sales 2 percent as it gained market share. The company's current order backlog is at $28 million, up $1 million from the second quarter. During the quarter Crompton & Knowles brought onstream a new extrusion technical center and introduced new specialized extruders for the growing plastics recycling and engineered plastics compounding markets.

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EAST BRUNSWICK, NJ (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Specialty Retail Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: SRSI), announced today that it and Pro Image, Inc. have been unable to negotiate a definitive purchase agreement for Specialty Retail Services, Inc. to acquire Pro Image. Specialty Retail Services, Inc. had previously announced on Sept. 7, 1990 the signing of a letter of intent with Pro Image, Inc. and that one of the conditions the acquisition of Pro Image, Inc. was subject to "the negotiation of a definitive purchase agreement."

Specialty Retail Services, Inc. will continue to seek further acquisitions. Specialty Retail Services, Inc. is a marketer of a broad range of professional beauty products, including hair care, nail care, cosmetics, skin care, and other beauty accessories to salons, independent and chain drug stores, supermarkets, mass merchandisers, warehouse clubs and other retail distributors. Specialty Retail Services, Inc. completed its initial public offering of common stock in August 1989.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - AMAX Inc. (NYSE: AMX) today reported third quarter net earnings of $59 million ($0.67 per primary common share) compared with $57 million ($0.66 per primary common share) a year ago. This is an increase over the previous four quarters. Third quarter sales were $904 million, compared with $928 million in the comparable period of 1989.

Born also emphasized that AMAX's coal, gold and oil and gas businesses, whose

earnings are up 49 percent, 10 percent and 27 percent, respectively, over the comparable nine-month periods last year, also are making significant contributions to earnings.

For the first nine months of 1990, AMAX had net earnings of $166 million ($1.89 per primary common share) compared with $302 million ($3.52 per primary common share) in the same period a year earlier. Nine-month sales were $2.82 billion versus $2.99 billion in the same 1989 period.

AMAX Inc. is a major producer of aluminum and manufactured aluminum products with substantial interests in domestic energy and gold production, along with other metals-related interests.

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TUCKER, GA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Video Display Corp. (VIDE) (NASDAQ: VIDE), today reported that 2nd quarter and six month financial results continued in the strong upward trend that began in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 reflecting the cost containment measures implemented at that time.

The company also indicated that its revenue growth reflected the growth of replacement parts business which tends to occur in any recessionary period in the U.S. economy.

The company achieved a new record level of gross revenues for any quarter in the company's history at $14,721,000, an increase of 5 percent over the comparable quarter of fiscal 1990 and 14 percent in excess of the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

Per share earnings of $0.17 were within $0.01 of the company's previous record quarter of $0.18 established in May 1989 and equaled the $0.17 reported for the second quarter of the previous fiscal year. Net earnings of $691,473 for the newly completed quarter compared to the $705,877 for the second quarter of the previous fiscal year.

The spokesperson for the company indicated that the six month revenue results reflected even more significant gains since the previous year's first half had included a non recurring sale of $3,923,000.

(All amounts in 000's except EPS)

3 mos. ended	8/31/90	8/31/89
Net sales	$14,721	$14,024
Operating profit	1,596	1,605
Pre-tax earnings	1,108	1,242
Net income (loss)	691	706

EPS	0.17	0.17
Avg. outstanding shares	4,120	4,108
6 mos. ended	8/31/90	8/31/89
Net sales	$27,658	$26,808
Operating profit	2,468	3,266
Pre-tax earnings	1,794	2,490
Net income (loss)	1,175	1,426
EPS	0.29	0.35
Avg. outstanding shares	4,126	4,108

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - MGI PHARMA, INC. (NASDAQ: MOGN) announced today that the FDA has designated its compound MGI 647 (pilocarpine HCl) as an orphan drug for the treatment of xerostomia (oral dryness) induced by radiation therapy. Ken Tempero, chairman and chief executive officer of MGI PHARMA, said, "We are very pleased with receiving orphan drug designation for MGI 647 and thus finally being able to identify it publicly as pilocarpine. Orphan designation will provide the drug with seven years of market exclusivity after product registration."

Radiation induced xerostomia, for which current treatment is inadequate, is a chronic condition that adversely affects the quality of life of more than 100,000 cancer patients at any one time. MGI 647, by stimulating saliva production, helps to alleviate the pain, difficulties in eating and sleeping, and possibly, the rapid tooth decay caused by this condition. In studies previously conducted by investigators at the National Institute of Dental Research and various universities, pilocarpine was shown to be an effective treatment for xerostomia. MGI PHARMA is currently conducting Phase III clinical studies in over 30 centers across the United States.

MGI PHARMA, INC. is in the business of acquiring, developing, and marketing pharmaceuticals prescribed by oncologists and other specialist physicians. The company has acquired a portfolio of compounds, several of which have significant therapeutic and commercial potential. The company has three compounds in human clinical trials and currently markets DIDRONEL(R) I.V. Infusion for the treatment of hypercalcemia in cancer patients.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. House of Representatives has approved legislation offered by U.S. Rep. Doug Walgren (D-Pa.) to protect

senior citizens who buy health insurance to fill in the gaps in current Medicare coverage, it was announced today.

The House approved the Walgren measure as part of the House Budget Reconciliation package adopted Tuesday night. The Senate is expected to include a similar proposal, offered by U.S. Sen. John Heinz (R-Pa.), in its Budget Bill.

"This bill ought to be called the Elderly Protection Act of 1990," said Walgren, who chairs the Consumer Protection Subcommittee, which has jurisdiction over health insurance.

"Senior citizens spend millions of dollars each year on overlapping and duplicative health insurance coverage," Walgren said.

"It should not require a Ph.D. in insurance to make sense out of all the competing insurance policies advertised to senior citizens," Walgren added. "But that is what it takes to sort out the current confusion over what Medicare and Medicaid covers and does not cover and what gaps in Medicare coverage that private 'medigap' insurance really fills.

"It is long past time that we tried to make things more understandable to the health insurance consumer," Walgren said.

In addition, Walgren said that the proposed bill also contains important protections for consumers on policy renewability, eligibility, duplication and state supervision.

"I am confident that this urgently needed legislation will help our seniors in selecting only those health care policies that are necessary."

CONTACT: Jon Delano of Rep. Doug Walgren's Office, in Pittsburgh, 412-391-4016

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STOUGHTON, MASS. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Franklin Sports Industries has signed a contract to sponsor boxing's hottest superstar -- Heavyweight World Champion James "Buster" Douglas -- who will defend his title against Evander Holyfield at The Mirage in Las Vegas, on Oct. 25, 1990. Douglas knocked out Mike Tyson in one of boxing's biggest upsets, in Tokyo, Japan, last February.

During the fight and pre-fight weigh in, Douglas and his party will wear clothing and trunks bearing the Franklin logo.

"We're thrilled about signing this World Heavyweight Champion and having him in our corner," said company President Larry Franklin. "Our relationship with Doulgas reinforces our commitment to showcase the Franklin name through

superstar athletes."

Based in Stoughton, Mass., Franklin Sports Industries is a leading national manufacturer of sporting goods equipment. Among the professional athletes that endorse Franklin products are: Sugar Ray Leonard, Don Mattingly, Bo Jackson, David Robinson, Dan Marino, Herschel Walker, Wade Boggs, Mike Greenwell, and Mike Schmidt.

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#90290p6055 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Lomas Information Systems, Inc., a subsidiary of Lomas Financial Corp (NYSE: LFC), today announced that it has entered into a strategic relationship with Andersen Consulting.

According to the terms of the agreement, Andersen Consulting will serve as Lomas' preferred consultant on all service bureau conversions and software sales installations of Lomas' new Excelis Mortgage Loan Servicing System (MLS) and will also have the right to market Lomas' software products throughout the U.S.

Floyd McGlothlin, Lomas senior vice president, also noted that Andersen Consulting has already played a key role in the development of the company's new Excelis MLS. He added that the new agreement builds upon this working relationship and expands it into areas that will benefit both organizations on a broader scale.

Excelis MLS is an IBM-based system that fully automates the loan servicing process through a series of hardware and software innovations, including real-time updating of transactions, automated event scheduling to assure that critical activities take place on time, integrated data bases, and on-line batch processing .

Andersen Consulting has helped organizations apply technology for competitive advantage since 1954 when it installed the first computer application for commercial use. The organization helps clients use information in all phases of their management activities -- strategic, industry, operations, and financial.

Andersen Consulting's worldwide client base has access to more than 20,000 highly trained professionals serving clients through 157 office in 45 countries. Andersen Consulting is a part of the Arthur Andersen Worldwide Organization.

Lomas Information Systems provides a full range of mortgage automation

services and software to Lomas Mortgage USA and more than 150 financial services firms nationwide. The company currently services more than $90 billion in mortgage loans in its service bureau operation.

CONTACT: Floyd McGlothlin, Sr. VP of Lomas Information Systems, 214-879-4460; or Steven Shane, 214-741-8689, or Jim Calabrese, 312-507-2058, of Andersen Consulting; or Jeff Lloyd of Sitrick And Company, 213-208-1108, for Lomas Information Systems

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#90290p6058 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - FMC Gold Company (NYSE: FGL) today reported third-quarter net income of $10.9 million compared with net income of $11.6 million in the third quarter of 1989.

During the quarter, gold production increased, and gold prices were higher. However, higher costs caused by lower grades and increased heap-leach production offset the revenue improvement. Earnings per share in the third quarter were $0.15 compared with $0.17 in 1989, reflecting the 8 million new shares issued to Burlington Resources in exchange for Meridian Gold Company.

Third Quarter Results

Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $42.2 million compared with $38.4 million last year. The average realized price of gold increased to $381 per ounce from $369 per ounce in the third quarter of 1989. The average realized price of silver declined to $4.88 per ounce from $5.19 per ounce in the year-ago period.

In the third quarter, FMC Gold produced 89,000 ounces of gold compared with 84,000 ounces in the same period last year. Gold production in the third quarter included 14,000 ounces from the Royal Mountain King, Calif., mine. At the Paradise Peak, Nev., mine, gold production declined reflecting an expected decrease in mill ore grades, partially offset by increased heap leach production. At the Jerritt Canyon, Nev., mine (30 percent owned by FMC Gold), gold production increased, reflecting higher mill throughput and improved performance of the ore-roasting circuit.

Cash production costs increased during the third quarter to $169 per gold equivalent ounce compared with $131 per gold equivalent ounce last year, due to higher-cost Royal Mountain King production and higher costs at Paradise Peak.

FMC Gold held $100 million in cash and cash equivalents at the end of the quarter and realized interest income of $2.2 million, compared with $1.1 million last year.

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312-861-5765, for FMC Gold

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#90290p6059 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
WALTHAM, MASS. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Waltham Corporation (NASDAQ: WLBK) the holding company for Waltham Savings Bank announced today that its board of directors have declared a dividend of 12 cents per share on its common stock.

John C. Warren, president of Waltham Savings Bank, said that the dividend will be payable on Nov. 2, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 24, 1990.

The Waltham Corporation, has assets in excess of $550 million and offers a comprehensive line of business and personal banking services at its five retail offices located in the Boston suburbs of Waltham, Wayland, Weston and Sudbury.

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#90290p6061 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. PAUL, MN (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines today matched competitors in offering discounted companion travel over the Thanksgiving holiday.

Under the pricing initiative, a passenger paying a specified low excursion fare can take along a companion for half price.

To qualify, the passenger and companion must begin their travel between Nov. 14 and Nov. 23 and return between Nov. 22 and Dec. 13. No travel is permitted on Nov. 16, 17, 21, 24, 25 and 26.

The passenger and companion must purchase their tickets at the same time for the same flights. These tickets, which carry no advance purchase requirements must be bought by Oct. 19. Tickets are nonrefundable, and seats are limited.

Northwest said the companion deal will be offered throughout most of its 41-state domestic system although some destinations may be excluded.

CONTACT: Doug Miller or Bob Gibbons, of Northwest Airlines, 612-726-2331

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#90290p6063 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
SPRINGFIELD, IL (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Firstbank of Illinois Co.

(NASDAQ-NMS: FBIC) today announced net income and net interest income reached record levels in the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the quarter, net income increased 10.1 percent to $3,067,000, or 56 cents per share, from $2,765,000, or 51 cents per share, in the comparable period a year ago. Net interest income for the quarter before loan loss provision increased 10.6 percent in the third quarter to $11,432,000 from $10,338,000 in the comparable period a year ago.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, rose 15.1 percent to $8,996,000, or $1.65 per share, from $7,814,000, or $1.45 per share, in the year-ago period. Net interest income for the nine months before loan loss provision was $32,756,000, a gain of 10.5 percent from last year's $29,652,000. For the nine months, the provision for possible loan losses increased to $1,641,000 from $1,261,000 in the 1989 nine months.

On a trailing 12 month basis, net interest income for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 11.3 percent to $43,377,000 from $38,956,000 in the comparable period a year ago. The provision for possible loan losses was $2,695,000, an increase of 44.0 percent from the previous period's $1,871,000. Net income rose 16.5 percent to $11,878,000, or $2.18 per share, from $10,196,000, or $1.89 per share, a year before.

Mark H. Ferguson, Firstbank's president and chief executive officer said, "These record results marked the eighth consecutive quarter in which earnings have exceeded the prior reporting period. The primary reason for this trend is the improvement in the composition of our earning asset base resulting in our net interest margin increasing to 4.54 percent from 4.49 percent in the 1989 period. Our strong earnings performance has allowed us to increase our provision for loan losses to cover loan portfolio growth as well as charge-offs, while continuing to report record earnings.

"The acquisition of City Bank of Bloomington-Normal, completed April 20th, has contributed to our improved results. Earnings from the date of the acquisition through the end of the third quarter represented an annualized return on average assets of 1.63 percent, while total assets grew from $14.5 million to $20.2 million in the period. The growth in earnings and assets at City Bank means that the transaction has had no dilutive effect to Firstbank in the first year."

Firstbank of Illinois Co. is one of the largest bank holding companies in downstate Illinois providing banking, trust, and other financial services through its subsidiary banks in 11 counties in Central, South, and Southwest Illinois.

CONTACT: Chris R. Zettek, vice president and CFO of Firstbank of Illinois, 217-753-7543, or Jack Queeney, 312-266-7800, or Nancy Eichorn, 212-661-8030, both of the Financial Relations Board for Firstbank

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#90290p6068 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Arthur E. Svendsen, chairman of the board of the managing general partner of Standard Pacific L.P. (NYSE: SPF) today announced third quarter results.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Standard Pacific earned $9,233,000 ($.34 per unit) on revenues of $90,136,000. This compares with earnings of $20,601,000 ($.75 per unit) on revenues of $102,139,000 a year ago.

For the nine months, net partnership income was $44,824,000 ($1.63 per unit) on revenues of $300,036,000. For the same period a year ago, the partnership earned $70,281,000 (2.56 per unit) on revenues of $315,076,000. The 1989 partnership income was positively impacted by a gain of approximately $1.5 million ($.06 per unit) from the sale of an industrial building located in Orange County, Calif.

Standard Pacific's earnings and new order trends continue to be impacted by both a softening of the California housing market as well as a change in its product mix. Market conditions have necessitated increases in certain sales and marketing costs versus the prior year.

Svendsen also announced that the board of directors has declared a $.20 per unit cash distribution payable Nov. 29, 1990, to unitholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990. Svendsen confirmed the 1990 general distribution policy of the partnership which is to pay approximately 60 percent of per unit earnings in the form of distributions.

In announcing the results, Svendsen also reported the estimated taxable income per unit for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of approximately $.30 per unit, based on the partnership's inside tax basis.

Standard Pacific L.P. operates primarily as a geographically diversified builder of medium-priced single family homes with a majority of its operations in California.

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#90290p6069 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORRVILLE, OHIO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Today the board of directors of The J.M. Smucker Company (NYSE: SJM) declared a 17 cents per share dividend on the common shares of the company, payable Dec. 3, 1990, to the shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 19, 1990.

CONTACT: Steven Ellcessor, secretary; or Richard K. Smucker, president, 216-682-3000, both of The J.M. Smucker Company

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#90290p6070 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - L. B. Foster Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: FSTR) announced today net income of $889,000 or $.09 per share for the third quarter of 1990.

This compares to net income of $745,000 or $.07 per share for the same period in 1989. Sales were $64.8 million in the quarter vs. $65.1 million in the same period of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income is $2.7 million or $0.28 per share compared to $2.2 million or $0.22 per share in the first nine months of 1989. Sales in 1990 are $183.6 million compared to $181.2 million in the previous year.

"Third quarter results continued to reflect market oversupply in all major markets creating downward pressure on margins, particularly in the tubular distribution segment. On a positive note, the current backlog of $55 million is up 17 percent from year ago levels.

"Management is dedicated to maintaining a strong balance sheet and effective cost controls while reallocating its resources into manufactured products which offer greater potential for growth," stated Lee B. Foster, president and chief executive officer.

L. B. Foster Co., located in Pittsburgh, is a manufacturer, fabricator and distributor of construction, rail and tubular products.

L. B. FOSTER CO. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(In thousands)

Sept. 30	1990	1989
Assets	(unaudited)	
Cash	$1,898	$1,734
Trade accounts receivable	43,412	41,272
Inventories	44,413	41,507
All other current assets	1,337	2,913
Total current assets	91,060	87,426
Other assets	22,609	19,855
	$113,669	$107,281
Liabilities and stockholders' equity		
Current liabilities	$ 61,042	$ 51,955
Long-term debt	2,386	5,733
Other long-term liabilities	236	1,588

Stockholders' equity	50,005	48,005
	$113,669	$107,281

L. B. FOSTER CO. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Condensed Statements of Consolidated Income
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

Period ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
	(unaudited)			
Net sales	$64,808	$65,070	$183,558	$181,198
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of goods sold	58,653	58,836	165,392	162,715
Selling and administrative expense	5,081	5,164	15,295	15,330
Interest expense	688	554	1,919	1,742
Other (income) expense	(521)	(261)	(1,832)	(876)
	63,901	64,293	180,774	178,911
Income before income taxes	907	777	2,784	2,287
Income taxes	18	32	56	92
Net income	889	745	2,728	2,195
Earnings per share	$0.09	$0.07	$0.28	$0.22

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Government officials, civic leaders, and industry executives joined Minnegasco, Inc. here today in ceremonies marking the opening of Minnegasco's South Lyndale natural gas vehicle fueling station.

The station, located at 501 W. 61st St., in Minneapolis, is the largest public natural gas vehicle fueling station in the United States. It is also the first facility of its kind open in the Upper Midwest.

Gary N. Petersen, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Minnegasco, said he expects the station to serve as a prototype for similar sites as natural gas begins to emerge as a viable alternative fuel for vehicles in the 1990s.

The state-of-the-art facility was designed and constructed by Minnegasco to serve the growing needs of its natural gas-powered fleet, as well as natural gas vehicles operated by the company's commercial fleet customers. Currently, more than 100 Minnegasco vehicles and over 100 customer vehicles in Minnesota operate on natural gas.

The station can fill four vehicles simultaneously using a quick-fill process that takes between two and five minutes. To use the station, drivers insert a computer-read credit card into a reader that keeps track of mileage between

fuelings and the volume of gas in each vehicle. A sophisticated computer converts the same information into gasoline equivalents.

The fueling station also features a 200-square-foot natural gas vehicle education center. The center houses an interactive display, video screens, brightly colored graphics, photographs, and customer testimonials which inform the public about the use of natural gas as a vehicle fuel.

The American Gas Association estimates that there are 30,000 cars, trucks and buses running on natural gas in the United States. Worldwide, some 700,000 vehicles are fueled by natural gas.

Minnegasco, Inc., the natural gas distribution company of Diversified Energies Inc. (DEI) (NYSE: DEI), serves more than 650,000 residential, commercial and industrial customers in 234 communities in Minnesota, Nebraska, and South Dakota.

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DEARBORN, MI (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statement may be attributed to John P. King, Parts and Service Engineering Office manager, Ford Parts and Service Division:

Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) is providing owners of about 407,000 1989-90 Thunderbird and Cougar vehicles with extended warranty coverage on front brake rotors and linings for 24 months or 24,000 miles, or until May 31, 1991, whichever provides the greater coverage.

In some cases, uneven front brake rotor wear could cause the vehicle to vibrate and the steering wheel to shake during braking. Less than one-third of the vehicles at 24,000 miles are expected to experience any of these symptoms.

To correct this condition, dealers will install revised front brake rotor and new disc brake linings, although Thunderbird SC and Cougar XR7 models will only get the new rotor. Due to a parts availability condition, letters informing customers to have the work performed by their dealer will be done on a staggered basis across the country.

The company will contact all owners by mail to notify them of the extended coverage and will cover all costs of parts and labor. Of the vehicles affected approximately 382,182 are located in the United States, 20,967 in Canada, and 4,373 in export locations.

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#90290p6079 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - General Dynamics Corporation (NYSE: GD) reported net earnings of $68.5 million, or $1.63 per share, for the third quarter of 1990 on sales of $2.5 billion, compared to $76.5 million, or $1.83 per share, on sales of $2.5 billion, in the year-ago period.

"The decline in net earnings is primarily due to the third-quarter reduction of the earnings rate on the F-16 aircraft program," said Stanley C. Pace, chairman and chief executive officer. "This reduction is partially attributable to costs associated with the activity returning the F-16 deliveries to contract schedule during the quarter, but also gives some recognition to the cost pressures as we transition to lower production rates. We hope that the F-16 earnings rate can return to higher levels once we have adjusted to the lower production rates."

Whereas net earnings for the first nine months in 1989 were $210.3 million, or $5.03 per share, on sales of $7.4 billion, for the same period in 1990 there was a net loss of $47.8 million, or $1.15 per share, on sales of $7.6 billion. This loss includes a special after-tax charge of $330 million, or $7.91 per share, against second-quarter earnings. This charge is attributable primarily to cost overruns on the A-12 aircraft program. Significant uncertainties continue to exist with regard to that aircraft program.

The company's backlog of funded U.S. government orders at the end of the third quarter was $17.3 billion and total backlog (funded and unfunded) was $24.8 billion, the latter amount representing approximately 2.4 years in sales. Comparable amounts at the same time in 1989 were $16.5 billion and $28.3 billion.

"Third-quarter results reflect a decrease in the company's interest expense by more than one-third from the year-ago period," Pace said, "adding 13 cents per share to this quarter's earnings over the previous year's. This primarily reflects favorable results in our cash flow management program."

Pace also noted these additional positive events: -- Deliveries of F-16 aircraft from Fort Worth division were returned to contract schedule by the end of September, two months ahead of projected recovery.

-- Prospects for international sales of the M1 Tank increased, particularly to U.S. allies in the Gulf region.

-- Another five consecutive successful tests of the sea-launched Tomahawk Cruise Missile were conducted, bringing the year's total to 16 successes out of 16 launches. Tests included the first coordinated mission of Tomahawk with tactical aircraft.

-- The Advanced Cruise Missile continued to receive high acclaim for exceptional performance in its flight testing program.

-- The first prototype of the Advanced Tactical Fighter being built by the Lockheed/Boeing/General Dynamics team successfully completed its first flight on Sept. 29. The second YF-22 prototype is scheduled to begin its flight test program in the near future. The two aircraft are expected to fly a combined total of about 100 sorties during the remainder of 1990.

-- The first launch in General Dynamics' Commercial Space business took place on July 25, when an Atlas I lifted a research satellite into orbit from Cape Canaveral. Since that launch, General Dynamics Commercial Launch Services has signed contracts for its 23rd and 24th commercial launches. Atlas is also scheduled to launch 10 military missions for the Air Force.

-- General Aviation sales were up 25 percent over 1989, principally due to the continuing momentum of Cessna's Citation V deliveries. Cessna also announced plans to build the Citation X, which will be the world's fastest business jet. The Citation X will cruise just under the speed of sound, enabling it to fly non-stop from New York to Los Angeles in barely four hours.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dallas-Fort Worth Airport Authority entered into the largest forward commitment interest rate swap ever executed on a tax exempt basis. The swap also represents the first interest rate swap ever transacted in the state of Texas for a municipal entity.

The purpose of this interest rate swap is to lower the interest payments which the airport currently makes on $243,650,000 of its outstanding bonds. These bonds which cannot be advanced refunded carry coupons of 10 percent or more.

The swap structure includes a forward commitment by the airport to refund the outstanding bonds at their first call dates (1992 and 1994), coupled with a delayed-start swap which generates savings immediately.

This structure is unique because, unlike other forward refunding products in the municipal marketplace, it allows all or a portion of the savings to be realized before the redemption of the outstanding bonds. The main savings benefits derived this structure include:

-- By entering into the swap, the airport realized savings (beginning Fiscal Year 1991) of approximately $36.5 million (gross basis) or in excess of $21 million (present value basis). These savings represent roughly 9 percent of

the par value of the bonds to be refunded.

-- The airport will use the average annual savings of approximately $2.6 million to reduce landing fees to the carriers serving Dallas-Fort Worth Airport by approximately 6 cents per thousand pounds of landed weight.

"Due to the recent tax reform and our inability to take advantage of advanced refunding techniques, we worked with our financial advisers on interest rate swaps and other forward delivery products. These efforts resulted in millions of dollars in savings that allows the board to immediately reduce its landing fees," director of finance Richard S. Williams said.

The First Southwest Company is financial advisor to the Dallas-Fort Worth Airport Authority.

Merrill Lynch is acting as principal is this swap transaction and will act as senior manager for the underwriting of the refunding bonds to be issued by the Airport in 1992 and 1994. Co-managers include the First Boston Corporation, APEX Securities and W.R. Lazard & Laidlaw Inc.

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#90290p6084 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Research, Inc. (NYSE: CYR) announced today that Tohoku University in Miyagi-ken, Japan, has ordered a CRAY Y-MP8 system to be installed in fourth quarter at the university's Institute of Fluid Science. The leased CRAY Y-MP8 system, including peripheral equipment, is valued at $20 million. Tohoku University is a new Cray Research customer.

This is also the first Cray Research system installed at a Japanese public university. The first Cray Research sale to the Japanese public sector was in 1988 to the Ministry of International Trade and Industry, located in Tsukuba, Japan.

"This sale to Tohoku University is a major milestone is Cray Research's further entry of the Japanese public sector market," said John Rollwagen, Cray Research chairman and chief executive officer. "We are extremely pleased that Tohoku University recognizes that Cray Research can provide it with the finest technology available to further develop computational fluid science and thus enhance its position in the academic community."

The Cray Y-MP8 is the most powerful supercomputer made by Cray Research. Tohoku University's system will be used for the academic research and

development of computational fluid science, which involves the use of computers to simulate and solve problems involving fluids, gases, and other substances. The CRAY Y-MP8 system will use Cray Research's powerful UNICOS operating system, based on AT&T's UNIX System V.

Currently, Cray Research has 258 systems installed worldwide, 20 of which are located in Japan. There are 37 Cray Research systems installed at 34 universities throughout the world.

Cray Research, Inc. designs, manufactures, markets, and supports large-scale, high-performance computers for scientific and engineering applications.

UNIX is a registered trademark of UNIX System Laboratories, Inc.

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SOUTHGATE, MICH. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Bancorp, Inc. (OTC: SECB) announced that consolidated net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 7.7 percent to $22,231,000 as compared to consolidated net income of $20,648,000 for the comparable nine months of 1989, establishing a new all-time corporate record.

Primary net income per common share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 7.4 percent to $1.89, compared to $1.76 for the same period of 1989. Fully diluted net income per common share increased 7.1 percent to $1.67 as compared to $1.56 for the comparable 1989 nine- month period. The company cited nine-month increases in its net interest margin and earning assets, as compared to the first nine months of 1989, as the primary reasons for the increase in net income.

Third-quarter consolidated net income increased 3.3 percent to $7,884,000 as compared to the comparable third quarter of 1989, a corporate record. Primary net income per common share for the third quarter increased 1.5 percent to $0.67, compared to $0.66 for the same period of 1989. Fully diluted net income per common share increased 3.5 percent to $0.59 as compared to $0.57 for the comparable 1989 third quarter.

Security Bancorp, Inc. is the parent company of Security Bank and Trust Company, Security Bank Northeast, Security Bank St. Clair Shores, Security Bank of Monroe, Security Bank of Commerce and SecureData Corporation.

SECURITY BANCORP, INC.

Nine-Month and Third-Quarter Highlights

	Nine Months	Third Quarter

	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net income	$22,231,000	$20,648,000	$7,884,000	$7,629,000
Primary net income per common share	1.89	1.76	.67	.66
Fully diluted net income per common share	1.67	1.56	.59	.57
Cash dividends declared on common stock	.69	.647	.23	.23

Primary net income per common share is based on net income less preferred stock dividends.

Fully diluted net income per common share is based on the shares that would be outstanding if all of the company's Series A convertible preferred stock was exchanged for common stock.

The current annualized indicated cash dividend on common stock is $0.92.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) announced today that it sold through competitive bidding $200 million of First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds, consisting of $100 million 10 percent Series due 2000 and $100 million 10-1/2 percent Series due 2020.

The $100 million of bonds due 2000 were purchased by Merrill Lynch Capital Markets. The price of 99.295 percent combined with an interest rate of 10 percent resulted in a net interest cost to the company of 10.114 percent. The bonds are being offered to the public at 99.745 percent for a yield of 10.041 percent.

The $100 million of bonds due 2020 were purchased by a group of underwriters consisting of Salomon Brothers Inc; Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corporation; Kidder, Peabody & Co. Incorporated; PaineWebber Incorporated; Prudential-Bache Securities Inc.; and Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. The price of 98.542 percent combined with an interest rate of 10.5 percent resulted in a net interest cost to the company of 10.663 percent. The bonds are being offered to the public at 99.000 percent for a yield of 10.611 percent.

Both issues of the bonds will be issued in fully registered form and are non-callable for five years. The company does not intend to apply for listing of either issue of the bonds on any stock exchange.

CONTACT: Neil McDermott of Philadelphia Electric, 215-841-4122

-30- 1590

#90290p6090 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Crawford & Co. (NYSE: CRDB), a diversified service firm providing claims services, risk management services, health care management and risk control services to insurance companies, corporations and self-insured entities, today reported financial results for the third quarter 1990, ended Sept. 30.

F.L. Minix, chairman and chief executive officer, stated that revenue from services provided totaled $114.3 million, an increase of nearly 16 percent over the third quarter 1989 revenue of $98.7 million. Pretax income was $13.9 million, an improvement of 15.7 percent over the comparable period of 1989, and net income was $8.7 million, a gain of 17.3 percent. Earnings per share were $0.25 for 1990 compared with $0.21 for 1989.

Revenue for the first nine months of 1990 was $334.7 million, up 23.6 percent over 1989 revenue of $270.7 million. Pretax income totaled $38.9 million, an improvement of 16.5 percent over the comparable period of 1989, and net income was $24.4 million, a gain of 17.2 percent. Earnings per share were $0.69 for the first nine months of 1990, compared with $0.59 for 1989.

"I am especially pleased with the third quarter 1990 results," Minix said, "because we were able to exceed the third quarter 1989 revenue which included a record $14 million in catastrophe-related services. While our catastrophe revenue during the third quarter of 1990 was $6.1 million, the real growth came from our health care management services and our non-catastrophe claims and risk management services provided to insurance companies and self-insured corporations. Health care management services revenue increased 29 percent over the third quarter of 1989 while revenue from claims and risk management services was up 25 percent.

"Another positive factor during the third quarter 1990," Minix stated, "was that our operating and administrative expenses, which had been outpacing our revenue gains during the first half of the year, came more in line with revenue growth, and this had a very favorable effect on our third quarter profit margin."

CONTACT: D.R. Chapman of Crawford & Co., 404-256-0830

-30- 2360

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LAS VEGAS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - First Western Financial Corp., (NASDAQ: FWES) a Nevada savings and loan holding company, announced today that it had set Nov. 28 as the date for its annual meeting of shareholders, but left open the possibility that the date may be changed.

"First Western is engaged in negotiations with a potential acquirer," reported Gen. R.G. Taylor, First Western's chairman. "The outcome of those negotiations may cause us to reschedule our annual meeting." General Taylor indicated that the negotiations were continuing and that the outcome could not be predicted.

CONTACT: H. Bruce Francis of First Western Financial Corp., 702-871-2000

-30- 830

#90290p6098 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Sealright Co. Inc., board of directors today voted to increase the company's regular quarterly dividend to 9 cents a share, up 2 cents. The dividend declared today is payable Nov. 14 to shareholders of record Oct. 31.

Sealright, based in Kansas City, designs and manufactures packages and packaging systems and materials for the food and dairy industries. Sealright is America's leading producer of packaging and packaging systems for frozen dairy desserts.

CONTACT: David Burket of Fleishman-Hillard, 816-474-9407, for Sealright

-30- 758

#90290p6099 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, S.C. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The results for Carolina First Corporation's (NASDAQ: CAFC) third quarter of 1990 were announced today by company president, Mack I. Whittle, Jr. He stated that net income for the first three quarters of 1990 had increased by over 22 percent from the earnings of the same period last year. For the nine months earnings were $898,000 or $.34 per share compared to $733,000 or $.28 per share in 1989. Assets at September 30, 1990, were $333,042,000 an increase of 12 percent from the 1989 level of $296,381,000. Stockholders' equity for the 1990 period end totaled $29,994,000 compared to $28,593,000 at the same time in 1990. Mr. Whittle pointed out that it is important to note that the results for both years reflect the operations of Carolina First Bank as well as First Federal of Georgetown, which was acquired by Carolina First Corporation on August 31, 1990. Per share data has also been restated to reflect our second 5 percent stock dividend paid October 1, 1990.

Mr. Whittle stated: "This has been an exciting quarter for Carolina First. At the end of August we completed the merger with First Federal Savings and Loan of Georgetown, adding $118 million in assets, $12 million in equity, four offices in Georgetown and fifteen thousand deposit accounts. This merger of a healthy thrift by a South Carolina Bank Holding Company was one of the first such transactions to occur in South Carolina. At the first of October we also announced reaching an agreement with American Federal Savings Bank of

Greenville to acquire their two offices in Anderson, South Carolina. This transaction allows us to purchase over $20 million in deposits representing the entire American Federal City of Anderson operation, a market they have been in since 1982. These advances would not be possible without the strong base we had in place with Carolina First Bank. These two acquisitions required only minimal upgrading of the Bank's data processing operation. This further confirms our initial decision to purchase data processing equipment that could drive a financial institution much larger than we were in our early months of operation. The continued strong performance of the Bank has given us the ability to make these moves that will provide benefits in the future."

President Whittle continued: "For the third quarter the earnings of Carolina First Bank were 22 percent higher than that of a year ago and were 15 percent higher in the first nine months of 1990 than the same period in 1989. Over the past twelve months the Bank's loans have grown 32 percent to be at $153,744,000 as of the end of September. At the same time the quality of these assets has continued excellent with non-accruing loans and loans greater than 30-days past due being .63 percent of total loans at the end of the quarter. We feel that in the 90's financial institutions will need strong capital, quality assets and to offer superior products and services to prosper and grow. We know that Carolina First has these qualities."

Carolina First Corporation is a $360 million asset financial company consisting of Carolina First Bank, a state-chartered bank headquartered in Greenville, and of First Federal Savings and Loan of Georgetown, a federally-chartered savings and loan. Both are full-service, community-oriented financial institutions offering a broad range of commercial and consumer banking services. The Company operates, through its subsidiares four offices in Greenville County and five in Georgetown County. The Company was organized in 1986 following an October initial public offering of stock. Through this offering, $15 million in capital was raised, earning Carolina First the distinction of being the largest bank holding company created in South Carolina. Its stock is traded on the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol CAFC. Market markers of Carolina First Corporation include J.C. Bradford, Interstate/Johnson Lane Securities and Robinson-Humphrey Company, Inc. It is a widely-traded stock with over two million shares and over 2,500 outstanding shareholders.

CONTACT: William S. Hummers, III, Carolina First Corporation, 803-255-7900

-30- 4465

#90290p6106 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, N.Y. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The MAC(R)/Metroteller(R) network said today it will consolidate some of its operations in Philadelphia over the next several months.

The electronic banking service said its financial institution customers will see little direct change, but ultimately the consolidations will permit a broadening of services.

The Buffalo-based unit of the multi-state MAC network has operated as a distinct subsidiary. MAC, owned by Philadelphia-based CoreStates Financial Corp (NASDAQ: CSFN), said it will keep a regional office in Buffalo for customer service.

The network said fewer than 35 positions will be affected by the time the conversion is completed next year. Employees have been notified and those leaving will receive transitional support. Others have been offered jobs in Philadelphia.

Craig McIntyre, who has been with the network since 1976, will assume responsibility for the MAC regional office housed in Buffalo.

Joseph Wolfson, whose position as president of Metroteller has been phased out will continue as a consultant to Philadelphia National Bank, the wholesale banking subsidiary of CoreStates Financial Corp, on a long-term agreement.

CONTACT: Gregg Feistman or Gary Brooten of CoreStates, 215-973-3546

-30- 1439

#90290p6107 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDEN, Colo. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Amax Gold Inc. (NYSE:AU; TORONTO: AXG) announced net earnings of $10.6 million, 18 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990. This compares with $10.1 million, 17 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989. Gross operating margin was slightly higher at $14.9 million compared to $14.5 million for the like period in 1989.

Sales for the quarter increased to $36.6 million compared to $30.9 million for the third quarter of 1989. Amax Gold realized an average price of $412 per ounce of gold sold, $29 higher than the average COMEX price per ounce of gold for the quarter.

Production increased to 91,446 ounces of gold for the third quarter compared to 84,557 ounces of gold for the like period in 1989. Cash production costs for the third quarter averaged $145 per ounce compared to $135 per ounce for the third quarter of 1989. Commenting on the increase in cash production costs Chief Executive Officer and President Timothy J. Haddon said, "The costs at the Sleeper Mine are higher than a year ago, but at $129 per ounce they remain one of the lowest in the industry. We have increased production from the higher cost Wind Mountain Mine, but these costs have declined from $257 per ounce a year ago to $177 per ounce. Amax Gold is still one of the lowest cost gold producers in the world."

Last year's earnings were affected by capitalization of a $5.2 million prior period exploration expense due to the decision to proceed with the Hayden Hill Project.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net earnings were $16.1 million, 27 cents per share, compared to $28.2 million, 47 cents per share for 1989. The nine month 1990 earnings were impacted by the $12.6 million write-down of the investment in Canamax Resources Inc. in the second quarter of 1990. Gross operating margin for this period was $46.4 million compared to $46.0 million for the like period last year.

Sales for the nine month period were $109.1 million compared to $88.4 million for the nine months of 1989. Amax Gold realized an average price of $410 per ounce of gold sold for the nine months, $25 higher than the COMEX average price for the period.

Production for the nine months of 1990 increased 21 percent to 267,894 ounces of gold compared to 221,973 ounces for the nine months in 1989. Cash production costs averaged $144 per ounce of gold versus $129 for the like period in 1989.

Amax Gold Inc. produces and explores for gold in the United States and New Zealand, is listed on the New York and Toronto stock exchanges and is 87 percent owned by AMAX Inc.

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-30- 2854

#90290p6108 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - American Health Properties Inc. (NYSE: AHE) today reported net income of $7,019,000, or $.47 per share, on gross revenues of $14,515,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to net income of $5,413,000, or $.41 per share, on gross revenues of $12,533,000 for the comparable period in 1989. Cash available for distribution was $9,418,000, or $.64 per share, as compared to $7,361,000, or $.56 per share, for the third quarter of 1989, representing a 13.5 percent increase.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $20,366,000, or $1.38 per share, on gross revenues of $41,839,000. Cash available for distribution was $27,326,000, or $1.86 per share. For the same period in 1989, the company reported net income and cash available for distribution of $14,965,000, or $1.26 per share, and $23,748,000, or $2.00 per share ($1.77 after exclusion of an extraordinary item), respectively on revenues of $34,155,000.

American Health Properties is a real estate investment trust (REIT)

specializing in the financing of quality healthcare facilities. The company's investments include 21 acute care, rehabilitation and psychiatric hospital properties located in 13 states.

CONTACT: Darlene Rose-Siegel of American Health Properties, 213-477-9399

-30- 1520

#90290p6109 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of American Health Properties Inc. (NYSE: AHE) today announced a one cent increase in the regular quarterly cash dividend and declared a dividend of $.61 per share of the company's common stock, payable Nov. 16 to shareholders of record Nov. 2, 1990.

"This is our eleventh consecutive quarterly dividend increase," said Robert L.B. Diener, president and chief operating officer of the company.

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#90290p6111 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - TRISM, Inc. announced today that it has been unsuccessful in repeated attempts to open a discussion with Builders Transport Incorporated's new management on the terms of TRISM's merger agreement or on the financing proposals which were in place in support of the TRISM offer to acquire Builders. Accordingly, TRISM is withdrawing that offer. TRISM reaffirmed its interest in acquiring Builders, but stated it would now reassess the method of acquisition, the pricing and other matters.

CONTACT: Edward A. Vrooman, Esq., of Olwine, Connelly, Chase O'Donnell & Weyher, 212-207-1824, for TRISM

-30- 780

#90290p6115 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert H. McLean, chairman of the board and president of Buffton Corp. (AMEX: BFX), announced today the environmental investigation of the company's real property in Vestal, N.Y., which has been underway for six years, is nearing conclusion. The final tests have recently been completed, and based on these favorable test results, the company has concluded that the costs of the remedial work to be performed

on the property will be immaterial.

In making the announcement, McLean stated, "As a result of these favorable test results and the remedial action recommended by our environmental experts, we are reversing the $1 million accrual for clean-up costs which was charged to operations in our fourth quarter ending Sept. 30, 1989."

McLean further stated, "We are delighted with the results of the investigation of our property. We are also pleased with the efforts of the United States Environmental Protection Agency in helping to bring about a cost effective, expeditious solution to this matter. As we have previously reported, Buffton's responsibility in this matter arose solely because of the fact the company purchased the real property at the Vestal facility, and not because Buffton contaminated the property. Our manufacturing process at the facility has not contaminated the environment."

McLean concluded that, "The reversal of the $1 million accrual will result in a positive impact of an estimated 16 cents per share, net of taxes, in our fourth quarter. More importantly, we believe that the resolution of this matter will remove the apparent concern in the investment community as to the nature and extent of this problem."

Buffton Corp. is a diversified group of companies engaged in the manufacture of avionic, electronic, and plastic products.

CONTACT: Robert Korman of Buffton Corp., 817-332-4761

-30- 2057

#90290p6116 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Fidelity Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: FSVA) Tuesday declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.06 per share on the bank's common stock.

The dividend is payable Nov. 9, 1990, to stockholders of record Oct. 31, 1990. This represents the ninth consecutive cash dividend paid by Fidelity Savings Bank.

Fidelity Savings Bank is a Pennsylvania-chartered, FDIC-insured savings association conducting business through six offices in Allegheny and Butler counties.

CONTACT: Richard G. Spencer, chief financial officer of Fidelity Savings Bank, 412-931-4300

-30- 792

#90290p6117 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARAMUS, N.J. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Medphone Corporation (NASDAQ: MPHO) announced today that Austin Smith, E. Bruce Fredrikson and Oscar D. Folger were elected to the company's board of directors, increasing it from two to five.

Smith was the former chairman and chief executive officer of Parke, Davis & Company, Inc.; vice chairman of the Warner-Lambert Company; and president of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association. He has had academic appointments at three different universities and was editor of the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Canadian-born and now a U.S. citizen, Smith earned his medical degrees from Queens' University of Canada and has been awarded six honorary degrees by various universities.

Associated with the Syracuse University School of Management since 1966, Fredrikson is presently the university's professor of finance and is a former chairman of the finance department.

From 1963 to 1966, he served as assistant professor of finance, Wharton School of Finance and Commerce, University of Pennsylvania.

The author of more than 35 published works, Fredrikson is also active as a consultant to industry. He earned a Ph.D. in finance (1963) and an M.B.A. in accounting (1961) from Columbia University. He is a graduate of Princeton University (1959), where he was awarded a B.A. in economics.

Folger, an attorney admitted to the bar and in private practice since 1972, has represented Medphone since its inception. He holds a J.D. degree from Columbia University. Editor of the Columbia Law Review (1970-1971), he is the author of a number of published works on business and the law. He is a member of professional committees that interact with the Securities and Exchange Commission and other governmental agencies.

"The three new members are ideal additions to Medphone's board," S. Eric Wachtel, president and CEO, said. "They combine decisive leadership and professionalism with mature judgment. Each will contribute much to our company's continuing growth."

Medphone Corporation, a leader in interactive transtelephonic medicine, developed the patented MDphone system, which permits immediate communications, diagnosis and treatment before conventional assistance can arrive.

CONTACT: S. Eric Wachtel, president of Medphone, 201-843-6644; or Tim Branton of the Cavior Organization, 212-687-6070, for Medphone

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#90290p6118 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Rochester Telephone Corp. (NYSE: RTC) announced today that it has completed the acquisition of three telephone companies and a cable television company from Mid-South Telecommunications, headquartered in Houston. The total purchase reprsents an additional 7,900 access lines for Rochester Tel in two new states.

The telephone companies are:

Fairmount Telephone, located in Fairmount, Ga., 40 miles northwest of Atlanta, serving approximately 1,600 access lines.

Lamar County Telephone, located in Millport, Ala., 80 miles west of Birgmingham, serving 1,800 access lines. Lamar is about 60 miles north of Southland Telephone, another Rochester Tel property.

Mid-South Telephone, located in Rienzi, Miss., in the northeast corner of Mississippi near the Tennessee border, about 80 miles east of Memphis. It serves 4,500 access lines.

One hundred percent of the three companies' access lines are equipped for digital switching.

With the acquisition of the three telephone companies, Rochester Tel now has five additional cellular interests in Rural Service Areas in Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi.

Rochester Tel also acquired Mid-South Cablevision Co., a cable television company serving 260 of Mid-South Telephone's customers.

The acquisitions were stock transactions, with Rochester Tel exchanging shares of its common stock for all four companies' outstanding stock. No purchase price was disclosed in the transaction, which was first announced last August.

With the three new telephone companies, Rochester Tel now operates 32 telephone companies in 13 states.

Three other acquisitions, two in Illinois and one in North Dakota, are pending. When these are completed, the corporation will be serving more than 680,000 access lines.

Rochester Tel's principal operating territory is a six-county area in Western-Central New York state. It also owns three unregulated subsidiaries: RCI Long Distance, a regional long distance carrier; Rotelcom Network Systems, which provides competitive telecommunications equipment and services; and Rochester Tel Mobile Communications, which manages its cellular operations.

CONTACT: Gary L. Sugarman, 716-777-7757 or Lucy Higley,

716-777-7317, both of Rochester Tel; or John W. Anderson, vice president of Mid-South Telecommunications, 713-626-2052

-30- 2567

#90290p6123 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The executive committee of the board of directors of National Media Corporation (NYSE: NM) a national marketing organization, today approved "open market purchases of up to 1,000,000 shares of its common stock in accordance with applicable SEC regulations and as price and market conditions permit," John J. Turchi, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, reported today.

National Media recently announced revenues for the first quarter (ended June 30) of $52.6 million compared to $17.3 million last year. Earnings were $3 million, or $.27 per share after taxes, compared to $476,000 or $.04 per share untaxed due to a net operating loss carryforward, in the first quarter last year.

CONTACT: William H. Campbell, vice president and secretary of National Media, 215-482-9800.

-30- 982

#90290p6125 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEBANON, PA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Keystone Heritage Group Inc. (NASDAQ: KHGI) today reported results.

On Aug. 21, 1990, a letter was mailed to stockholders advising them that a special $3.8 million provision would be added to the company's allowance for possible loan losses to cover potential losses arising from two related loans which were obtained on the basis of substantially incorrect financial information.

As a result of this special provision, a net loss of $889,000 or $.41 per share was incurred for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. In the three-month period ended September 1989, net income amounted to $1.33 million or $.61 per share.

Net income for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $2.44 million or $1.11 per share, compared to $4.62 million or $2.10 per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Return on average stockholders' equity for the nine-month period of 1990 was 8.03 percent, while the return on average assets was .63 percent.

Total assets of Keystone Heritage Group Inc. as of Sept. 30, 1990, totalled $528 million, up $45 million or 9.4 percent over Sept. 30, 1989. Primary capital at Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to 8.49 percent. Total non-performing

loans at Sept. 30, 1990, were $6.99 million or 1.32 percent of total assets. Total non-performing loans were $2.9 million or .55 percent of total assets and $4.19 million or .87 percent of total assets at June 30, 1990, and Sept. 30, 1989, respectively.

The board of directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.26 per share payable on Nov. 9, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Oct. 31. A quarterly dividend has been paid by the company for the past 158 years.

CONTACT: Kurt A. Phillips, vice president and chief financial officer of Keystone Heritage Group, 717-274-6800.

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#90290p6126 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - National City Bancorporation (NASDAQ: NCBM) reported net earnings of $1,135,000 for the third quarter of 1990, equalling $.25 per share, compared with $1,281,000 and $.28 per share for the third quarter last year. The loan loss provision in the third quarter was $1,325,000 compared with $700,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Net charge-offs were $1,195,000 in the third quarter compared with $166,000 in the same period of last year.

Net earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $3,423,000 equalling $.76 per share, compared with $6,785,000 and $1.50 per share for the first nine months of 1989. Included in net earnings for the 1989 period was an after-tax gain of $3,093,000 or $.68 per share from the sale of a former subsidiary bank. Excluding this gain, net earnings for the 1989 period were $3,692,000 or $.82 per share. Losses on the sale of investment securities were $235,000 in 1990 and $14,000 in 1989 on an after-tax basis. The loan loss provision in the first nine months of 1990 was $2,075,000 compared with $2,593,000 in the same period last year. Net loan charge-offs were $1,302,000 in the first nine months of 1990 compared with $2,978,000 in the same period last year.

The company's reserve for loan losses is $7,496,000 or 2.0 percent of total loans outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990.

The net interest margin, net interest income on a fully taxable equivalent basis divided by average earning assets, was 4.87 percent in 1990 compared with 4.66 percent in 1989.

National City Bancorporation is a bank holding company which owns National City Bank of Minneapolis, and Diversified Business Credit, Inc. The company's stock is traded on the over-the-counter market in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "NCBM."

CONTACT: David H. North of National City Bancorporation, 612-340-3185

-30- 2079

#90290p6128 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The executive committee of the board of directors of National Media Corporation (NYSE: NM) a national marketing organization, today approved "open market purchases of up to 1,000,000 shares of its common stock in accordance with applicable SEC regulations and as price and market conditions permit," John J. Turchi, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, reported today.

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CONTACT: William H. Campbell, vice president and secretary of National Media 215-482-9800

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#90290p6129 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Today Exten Ventures, Inc. (PHLX: EXV), announced the signing of a letter of intent to acquire all of the outstanding stock of ADC Industries Corporation from its shareholders.

The shareholders of ADC Industries Corporation would exchange their shares for common stock in Exten Ventures, Inc. and ADC Industries Corporation would become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Exten. It is anticipated that the present shareholders of ADC will become the majority shareholders of Exten. The board of directors of Exten will call for a shareholder vote to ratify this agreement.

ADC Industries Corporation is a California corporation located in the City of Industry, Calif. ADC markets its products under the name of Hydro Flight. Hydro Flight was established in 1961 as a precision product machining house, specializing in complicated parts which require a high order of precision machining. Hydro Flight's present product line consists mainly of precision fittings for storage tanks used by air, LPG, ammonia and underground storage tank manufacturers. Hydro Flight's line of fittings are especially needed as environmental concerns and rules mandating the use of multi-wall tanks require even more precision fittings. ADC employs 25 people and services over 162 customers worldwide. ADC Industries Corporation had approximately $1.7 million in revenue during its last fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Exten will continue its Merchant Banking activities but with special emphasis on acquiring operating subsidiaries for itself.

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#90290p6130 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, ARIZ. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Callahan Mining Corp. (NYSE: CMN) today reported a nine-month loss of $1,346,000, equivalent to $.18 per share, compared with a loss of $3,300,000, or $.43 per share, for the first three quarters of 1989. Comparative revenues were lower, $10,575,000, vs. $22,064,000, a year ago, because of the shutdown of the Ropes gold mine.

The loss for the third quarter was $345,000, or $.05 per share, compared with a loss of $763,000, or $.10 per share, for the same period in 1989. Third quarter revenues were $3,341,000 vs. $7,923,000 last year.

Consolidated silver revenues from the Galena and Coeur mines in Idaho were $442,000, vs. $493,000 for the first nine months of 1989. The average silver price realized by Callahan during the period declined to $4.85 per ounce from $5.25 per ounce in the prior year. Silver revenues included $63,000 in minimum royalties which are payable to Callahan when Galena has a cash deficit.

Another revenue source, the Flexaust Co., Callahan's wholly owned manufacturing division, reported a 9 percent decline in pretax income on a 3 percent drop in nine-month sales. A 9 percent fall-off in sales during the most recent quarter was attributable to the softening economy.

CONTACT: W.P. Lohden of Callahan Mining Corp., 602-953-5965

-30- 1489

#90290p6131 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Medstone International Inc. (NASDAQ: MSHK) today reported a net loss of $2,324,437, or $.50 per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, on revenues of $1,738,566. This compares with a net loss of $1,648,279 or $.34 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, on revenues of $1,177,402.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Medstone incurred a net loss of $3,688,701 or $.79 per share, compared to a net loss of $1,473,173, or $.30 per share, for the similar period in 1989.

The third quarter loss resulted from unsuccessful efforts to secure a shippable order for a lithotripsy system, operating expenses not in line with revenues and legal expenses associated with the shareholder class action suit. However, recurring revenue has increased by 55 percent contributing $1,535,414 in sales for the third quarter.

"The domestic market for the purchase of a renal lithotripter is very slow. We are aggressively pursuing the replacement market and lower volume users with our Fee-For-Service Program, and are beginning to make progress," stated Richard Ferrari, president and chief operating officer. "Medstone is in an enviable position with approximately $9,000,000 in cash, no debt, a product approved for kidney stone treatment, and a backlog -- all strong indicators," Ferrari continued. "We have taken the necessary actions to bring operating expenses in line with expected revenue. The challenge before us is to return the company to profitability, preserve our cash, capture a greater share of the renal lithotripsy market and find additional products for the company," he added.

"Medstone's backlog for equipment sales is $1,950,000, plus five Fee-For-Service contracts. I am optimistic that Medstone's backlog and continued recurring revenue growth generated through the Fee-For- Service Contracts currently in place will return Medstone to profitability," Ferrari concluded.

Medstone International Inc., the Irvine manufacturer of the Medstone STS was established in 1984 to develop and market medical systems and equipment for non-invasive shockwave lithotripsy. Medstone was granted approval by the FDA in April 1988 for general clinical use of the STS on kidney stones and is pursuing FDA approval for its use on gallstones.

CONTACT: David V. Radlinski, executive vice president, chief financial officer and corporate secretary of Medstone International, 714-587-0500, ext. 235.

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THOMASTON, GA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Thomaston Mills Inc. (NASDAQ: TMST) met today and authorized the purchase of 20,950 shares of Thomaston Mills Class B Common Stock to be used as treasury shares.

This purchase was deemed to be in the best interest of the corporation and the shareholders of Thomaston Mills Inc. The purchase of this block of stock is not to be construed as a general program by the company to repurchase its common stock.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Forstmann & Company, Inc. has extended until 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on Monday, Oct. 22, 1990, the expiration date,

withdrawal rights and proration period relating to its exchange offer for up to $60 million aggregate principal amount of the $100 million outstanding of its 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999 for an equal principal amount of its new split coupon (accrued interest) senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999.

The company also announced that it has entered into an agreement with Citibank N.A. and its other lenders providing for a further extension of its existing credit facility to 5:00 p.m. on Oct. 22, 1990.

As of Oct. 16, 1990, approximately $145,000 in outstanding principal amount of 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes had been tendered for exchange and not withdrawn.

CONTACT: Maureen Burgess of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Forstmann & Company

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YPSILANTI, MI (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Hydra-matic Division today presented Federal-Mogul Corporation's Romulus, Mich., plant with General Motors' "Mark of Excellence" award, William J. Boskey, General Director Materials Management announced. The award recognizes the Romulus plant's outstanding quality and management systems.

In presenting the award to Federal-Mogul employees, Boskey said, "Quality and continuous improvement are keys to success in this very competitive marketplace. Federal-Mogul's truly exemplary efforts help Hydra-matic produce world-class transmissions, and we're glad to have you on the team."

The Romulus plant produces powdered metal forgings for Hydra-matic automatic transmissions.

"Our goal is to be recognized as a world-class supplier producing powdered metal forgings," said William Fugate, general manager of the Romulus plant. "The presentation of this award signifies that General Motors is a partner with Federal-Mogul and has confidence that we are an industry leader."

The prestigious award is part of the GM "Targets for Excellence" supplier development process, which is widely respected both inside and outside of the supplier community.

Since its inception in 1987, 145 GM suppliers or 8 percent have received the "Mark of Excellence" award, which applies to GM suppliers of productive materials and service parts, including GM manufacturing locations. The assessments are conducted by GM teams from purchasing, product engineering, manufacturing and quality control activities. The teams assess suppliers in

five key areas: quality, cost, delivery, management and technology. The "Mark of Excellence" is the top award available in the process.

Five Federal-Mogul plants, including the Romulus facility, have received "Mark of Excellence" awards. Headquartered in Southfield, Mich., Federal-Mogul operates 37 plants, more than 70 distribution centers and four major research centers throughout the world. Its products range from a variety of precision parts for the transportation, farm equipment, construction and manufacturing industries to aerospace components.

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-30- 2420

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal International, Inc. (NASDAQ: UNIV) announced today that sales for its third quarter ended Sept, 30, 1990, increased by 55 percent to $11,095,161 from $7,174,821 during 1989. Sales for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased by 55 percent to $28,698,848 from $18,461,420 during 1989.

Net income after taxes increased in the third quarter from $107,500 in 1989 to $551,000 and for the nine month period from $456,000 in 1989 to $1,214,000 in 1990. Earnings per share for the third quarter were $.25 during 1990 up from $.05 per share during the third quarter of 1989. Earnings for the nine month period were $.55 per share up from $.24 per share during 1989.

Universal International is one of the nation's largest buyers and sellers of quality "close-out" merchandise at the wholesale level. Headquartered in Minneapolis, the company operates product showrooms in Philadelphia, Los Angeles and Chicago. The company's common stock trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "UNIV."

CONTACT: Mark H. Ravich of Universal International, 612-533-1169.

-30- 1316

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NEW YORK (OCT. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Pfizer Inc. (NYSE: PFE) today reported an increase in net income of 12 percent on a sales gain of 14 percent for the third quarter.

Worldwide sales for the quarter were $1,643.0 million, compared to $1,438.5 million in 1989. Net income for the quarter was $243.3 million, compared to $217.5 million the previous year.

Earnings per share for the quarter were $1.45, up 12 percent from $1.29 in 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, sales were $4,620.7 million, an 11 percent increase over the $4,177.5 million reported for 1989. Net income was $646.4 million, a 9 percent increase over the $594.0 million in 1989. Year to date earnings per share were $3.85, 9 percent increase over the $3.52 reported last year.

Sales gains for the quarter were recorded in four of Pfizer's business segments: health care, 21 percent; consumer products, 10 percent; animal health, 2 percent; and specialty chemicals, 13 percent. Specialty minerals sales declined 16 percent due to the sale of the pigments business in the first quarter 1990. On a continuing basis, sales for this segment increased 15 percent.

Within the health care segment, pharmaceutical sales increased 22 percent, and sales of hospital products rose 17 percent.

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#90290p6146 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Gannett Co., Inc., (NYSE: GCI) announced today that earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $79,403,000, or 50 cents per share. In the year-earlier quarter, net income was $83,135,000, or 52 cents per share.

Results in 1989 included a gain on the sale of a Spanish-language newspaper.

Revenues increased slightly in the quarter to $829,861,000, compared to $827,882,000 in 1989. Operating income fell 9 percent to $150,606,000 from $166,031,000.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income declined 4 percent to $259,671,000 from $270,140,000. Earnings per share were $1.62, compared to $1.68 in 1989. Revenues in 1990 totaled $2,537,056,000, down slightly from last year's $2,549,615,000. Operating income declined 9 percent to $481,201,000. For the first three quarters of 1989, operating income was $526,667,000.

In a letter to shareholders, Gannett said consolidation of the retail industry continues to impact advertising demand. The prospect of new taxes and higher energy prices has challenged consumer confidence, exaggerating the pressures on retailers, which are traditionally among the company's largest advertisers.

Newspaper advertising revenues declined 3 percent in the third quarter, reflecting a 5 percent decline in ROP advertising volume and reduced newspaper

advertising in Detroit, where a joint operating agency was implemented Nov. 27 1989. Retail linage was down at most newspapers, and classified volume reflected lower demand for auto, help wanted and real estate advertising.

At USA Today, paid advertising pages totaled 734 in the quarter, compared to 785 in the year-earlier period. Year-to-date, ad pages numbered 2,525, compared to 2,735 in 1989. Because of rate increases reflecting higher readership, advertising revenues advanced 5 percent in the quarter and 3 percent year-to-date.

Broadcasting revenues increased 4 percent in the quarter, while outdoor revenues advanced 3 percent.

Gannett is a nationwide news and information company that publishes 82 daily newspapers, including USA Today, and USA Weekend, a newspaper magazine. It also operates 10 television stations, 15 radio stations, and the largest outdoor advertising company in North America.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Waterhouse Investor Services, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: WHOO) today reported earnings per share for the fourth quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, of 28 cents vs. 18 cents the previous year -- a 55 percent increase. Fiscal-year earnings per share were 53 cents for the current year vs. 45 cents last year -- an 18 percent increase. Revenues increased to a record $23.5 million an increase of 20 percent over the previous year.

WATERHOUSE INVESTOR SERVICES, INC.

Quarter ended Aug. 31	1990	1989
Revenues	$6,962,100	$5,591,300
Net income (loss)	674,700	434,300
Share earnings (loss)	$.28	$.18
Average shares outstanding	2,394,895	2,440,560
Year ended Aug. 31	1990	1989
Revenues	$23,497,200	$19,642,768
Net income (loss)	1,280,700	1,106,321
Share earnings (loss)	$.53	$.45
Average shares outstanding	2,417,247	2,461,888

The company stated that the improvement in earnings during the fourth quarter was due primarily to increased commission income. Commission income during the fourth quarter increased 27 percent over the previous year's fourth quarter and 35 percent over this year's third quarter. Net income compared to the

previous year's fourth quarter increased 55 percent and 154 percent over this year's third quarter.

Earnings per share of 53 cents for fiscal 1990 (45 cents for fiscal year 1989) reflect a .15 cents a share write down, in the second quarter, of the company's entire investment in a bank.

Operating results for the year, excluding this one-time write-down, were .68 cents a share vs. .45 cents the previous year -- a 51 percent increase.

Waterhouse Investor Services, Inc. is a holding company engaged, through its principal subsidiary, Waterhouse Securities, Inc., in providing discount brokerage services primarily to retail customers throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Lawrence M. Waterhouse Jr., chairman of the board of Waterhouse Investor Services, (in New York) 212-344-7500 or 800-522-7500, or (nationwide) 800-327-7500

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CROMWELL, CONN. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The special meeting of shareholders of Ripley Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: RIPY) called to be held on Sept. 25, 1990, to vote upon the merger of Ripley Acquisition Corporation into Ripley Company, Inc. on terms whereby shareholders of Ripley other than Ripley Acquisition Corporation would receive $4.15 per share in cash, and adjourned to Oct. 16, 1990, has been further adjourned to Oct. 30, 1990 at 11 a.m. in the offices of Ripley Company, Inc., 46 Nooks Hill Road, Cromwell, Conn.

The purpose of the adjournment is to allow shareholders to review revised proxy material for such meeting. It is anticipated that the revised proxy statement with an amended 10-K Report for the fiscal year ended Feb. 28, 1990, and amended 10-Q Reports for the first quarter ended May 31, 1990, and second fiscal quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, will be mailed to shareholders not later than Oct. 19, 1990, which is more than ten days prior to the adjourned meeting date.

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ARLINGTON, VA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Bell Atlantic (NYSE: BEL) will use "spread spectrum" radio communications technology from Omnipoint Data Company, Inc., this fall in what is believed to be the first test of wireless telecommunications applications that does not require the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to re-allocate radio frequency spectrum from existing uses.

"The development of efficient wireless communications technologies marks an important step in the evolution of an information-age telecommunications network that will meet the needs of customers in the 21st century," said John Seazholtz, Bell Atlantic vice president of technology planning and information services.

"Bell Atlantic believes the value of wireless personal communications services will be further enhanced when these are deployed in a way that combines the best features of today's computer-controlled telephone network with radio communications technologies," said Seazholtz. "The day will come, for instance, when a telephone network computer can be programmed to recognize a person's location and then route calls accordingly as the person moves from place to place." Bell Atlantic is the first regional Bell company to announce such a wireless trial using spread spectrum technology in radio frequency bands usually reserved for industrial, scientific and medical equipment, known as the "ISM bands." The FCC generally allows unlicensed use of spread spectrum technology in the ISM bands provided the devices pass FCC certification and operate under the rules governing these bands. The company will begin its tests when Omnipoint gains approval from the FCC for experimental testing of its equipment in these frequencies.

Unlike most of the experimental license requests to the FCC for wireless personal communications services, Bell Atlantic's proposal does not require re-allocation of spectrum from existing uses. This means commercial products and services could be deployed quickly.

Bell Atlantic's objectives during its trial of the Omnipoint equipment are to gain information about desirable features for service offerings, as well as technical data on radio frequency propagation, resistance to interference, antennae location, the number of co-located users, and how best to interface the wireless technology with Bell Atlantic's network.

"This contract with Bell Atlantic represents a major step forward in Omnipoint's efforts with the local exchange industry to develop a nationwide public use application for spread spectrum technology," said Douglas G. Smith, president of Omnipoint.

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CLARENDON HILLS, ILL. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - MAF Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MAFB), the parent holding company of Mid America Federal Savings Bank, reported today that earnings for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 61 percent from the same period a year ago. Earnings for the first

quarter of fiscal 1991 totalled $1.65 million, or $.47 per share, compared with $1.03 million for the year earlier period. Earnings per share for the prior year period are not meaningful because the bank did not complete its conversion from mutual to stock form of ownership until January of 1990.

The substantial increase in first quarter earnings resulted primarily from an improvement in net interest income after provision for loan losses. This principal component of the bank's core earnings increased 13.4 percent to $7.1 million from $6.3 million in the year earlier period. This improvement resulted principally from earnings generated from the investment of stock conversion proceeds as well as from a decrease in the balance and the cost of interest-bearing liabilities, offset by an increase in the provision for loan losses. Although up slightly from June 30, 1990, the ratio of non-performing assets to total assets remains very good at .85 percent as of Sept. 30, 1990. Non-interest income remained stable at $2.3 million in the current year quarter compared with $2.4 million in the prior year quarter.

Increases in loan servicing fee income and other fee income from customer products and services were offset by declines in income from real estate operations and gains on loan and security sales. Loan servicing fee income improved to $844,000 in the current quarter from $688,000 one year ago while other non-interest income, which includes fee income on various products and services, increased to $1.3 million from $1.1 million a year ago. Income from real estate operations declined to $68,000 in the current quarter compared to $162,000 in the year earlier period while net gains from loan and security sales were $137,000 in the current period compared to $471,000 in the year earlier period.

The current quarter's results also showed a favorable decline in non- interest expense, which decreased to $6.9 million from $7.1 million last year. This decrease reflects positive results from the bank's cost reduction program which was implemented in early 1990. Compensation, occupancy and advertising expenses all declined in the current quarter compared to the prior year quarter while certain other expense categories showed only modest increases.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the company had total assets of $1.54 billion, down slightly from the $1.60 billion of assets at fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. Deposits decreased to $1.18 billion from $1.21 billion at June 30, 1990. Stockholders' equity, all of which is tangible capital, improved to $56.3 million from $54.4 million at year end 1990. The company's book value per share was $15.97 at Sept. 30, 1990 based on 3,525,000 shares outstanding.

Mid America Federal Savings Bank is a federally chartered stock savings bank. The bank operates a network of 13 retail banking offices primarily in the western suburbs of Chicago.

BANCORP, INC./MID AMERICA FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK (1)
Results of Operations

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)
unaudited

Three months ended	9/30/90	9/30/89
Interest income	$ 36,384	36,153
Interest expense	29,005	29,771
Net interest income	7,379	6,382
Provision for loan losses	250	95
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	7,129	6,287
Non-interest income	2,346	2,376
Non-interest expense	6,893	7,132
Income before income taxes and extraordinary item	2,582	1,531
Income taxes	931	671
Income before extraordinary item	1,651	860
Extraordinary item - Tax effect of utilization of loss carryforwards	0	165
Net income	1,651	1,025
Earnings per share	.47	N/A
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	3,525,000	N/A

BALANCE SHEET HIGHLIGHTS
(In thousands, except per share data)
unaudited

Period ended	9/30/90	6/30/90
Total assets	$ 1,544,345	1,597,044
Cash and investment securities	221,244	299,071
Mortgage-backed securities	249,036	243,565
Loans receivable, net	992,286	976,838
Deposits	1,184,359	1,208,027
Borrowed funds	285,285	310,286
Stockholders' equity	56,292	54,404
Book value per share	15.97	15.43

1 -- The results of operations for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1989 are for Mid America Federal Savings Bank only.

Shareholder data for this period is not applicable because MAF Bancorp did not become the holding company until Jan. 19, 1990.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Right Management Consultants Inc.

(NASDAQ: RMCI) today announced revenue and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the third quarter, net income increased 9 percent to $345,000 or $.13 per share, compared to $317,000 or $.12 per share, for the same quarter last year. Revenue (consisting of company-owned office revenue and affiliate royalties increased 32 percent in the quarter to $7,483,000 compared to $5,654,000 a year ago. The third quarter operating results were affected by normal seasonal patterns and were consistent with company projections.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $1,452,000 or $.55 per share, on a 40 percent increase in revenue to $23,090,000 compared to net income of $896,000 or $.34 per share on revenue of $16,530,000 for the same period in 1989.

Network revenue, comprised of company-owned office revenue and affiliate offices' revenue, aggregated $12,805,000 for the third quarter 1990, a gain of 17 percent over network revenue of $10,929,000 for the same quarter in 1989, and a 21 percent increase to $39,069,000 compared to $32,234,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, vs. 1989.

Right Management Consultants Inc., which does business under the name Right Associates(R), develops, markets and delivers human resource consulting services through more than 70 offices in the United States, Canada and western Europe, with primary emphasis in outplacement consulting. Outplacement consulting is designed to assist employers with employee termination issues and, after termination, to help separated employees develop skills and define career strategies to assist them in finding new employment.

RIGHT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS INC.
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenue	$7,483,000	$5,654,000	$23,090,000	$16,530,000
Income before income taxes	600,000	580,000	2,550,000	1,809,000
Provision for income taxes(A)	(255,000)	(263,000)	(1,098,000)	(913,000)
Net income	345,000	317,000	1,452,000	896,000
Earnings per share:				
Net income	$.13	$.12	$.55	$.34
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	2,661,774	2,670,468	2,661,073	2,657,530

(A) No tax benefit was recognized during the third quarter 1990 and 1989 for operating losses generated by the company's French subsidiary of $10,000 and $16,000 respectively. In addition, no tax benefit was recognized for an

operating loss generated by the company's French subsidiary during the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, of $307,000. As of Sept. 30, 1990, the company has approximately $682,000 of net operating loss carryforwards to offset against future income of its French subsidary.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Medical Association today announced it filed a complaint in U.S. District Court against Carme, Inc., which manufactures and markets "Allercreme," for a preliminary and permanent injunction to stop the company from using a non-existing AMA "Seal of Approval" on its products.

According to the complaint, filed in U.S. District Court's Northern District of Illinois -- Eastern Division, Carme has been marketing since June its products with an AMA "Seal of Approval." The defendant has used the seal in its consumer advertising campaign and on its product labels.

"As stated in our complaint, this representation is false. Not only does the AMA not endorse or approve Allercreme products, the AMA does not endorse any other consumer product. The AMA once had a 'Seal of Acceptance' program for consumer products, but it was discontinued in 1955 -- over 35 years ago," said Kirk B. Johnson, J.D., general counsel of the AMA.

According to Johnson, even within the scope of the pre-1955 Seal of Acceptance program, the defendant's promotional materials are false and misleading. The seal used for Allercreme is not a true representation of any AMA seal. In addition, Carme has not proven to the AMA that the particular products displaying the seal as currently manufactured were ever reviewed or accepted by the AMA. Carme began its current campaign without notifying or seeking permission from the AMA.

Prior to 1955, the Texas Pharmacal Co. was authorized to display the AMA Seal of Acceptance for Allercreme. That authorization ended with the discontinuation of the seal program in 1955 and Texas Pharmacal Co., as were other companies, was notified of the program's end. Carme was never part of the original agreement.

Under the original pre-1955 program, all products and product claims were reviewed individually, said Johnson. Therefore, acceptance of one product did not constitute acceptance of another product bearing the same name, he said.

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#90290p6164 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLENS FALLS, NY (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Imcera Group, Inc. (NYSE: IMA) is poised to increase net sales of $1.4 billion in 1990 to about $2.3 billion and more than double its return on invested capital to 15 percent by 1994, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer George D. Kennedy told shareholders attending the company's 81st annual meeting of shareholders here today.

Kennedy said Imcera's substantial increase in earnings in the first quarter of 1991 reported earlier today reflects the kind of performance step-up necessary to reach these 1994 targets.

"We've accomplished our transformation from commodity to technology businesses put investment and strong management into place and simplified our capital structure well enough to set our sights on these objectives," Kennedy said. To do so, he noted that Imcera's net sales would increase from 1990 to 1994 at a compound annual rate of 13 percent.

Kennedy said net sales for Imcera's three businesses - Mallinckrodt Medical, Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals and Pitman-Moore - are projected to increase from 1990 to 1994 at compound annual rates of 17 percent, 11 percent and 12 percent, respectively, with the companies' combined operating margins averaging about 15 percent in the period.

Raymond F. Bentele, Imcera executive vice president and president and chief executive officer of Mallinckrodt, Inc., reported on notable 1990 accomplishments in finances, new product introductions, manufacturing, safety, and community activity.

"We concluded 1990 with over $35 million more in cash than expected, primarily due to the dramatic improvement in inventory and receivables control by Pitman-Moore," Bentele said.

"The Coopers acquisition moved us further into international markets, and we managed investments worldwide through strong financial monitoring and control. Despite currency fluctuations in Latin America and Europe, we moved smoothly through the year."

Bentele said sales of Mallinckrodt Medical's non-ionic contrast medium, Optiray(R), are running "well ahead" of expectations and "we expect to introduce it in Europe in fiscal 1991. "We are currently awaiting approval in West Germany, Japan and Canada and seven other European countries."

Bentele cited "tremendous improvements in manufacturing capability" at several

plants, including start on a new Optiray facility and aromatic fluorine intermediates plant in St. Louis and continued improvements in operations in Erie, Pa., and Raleigh, N.C., and a new acetaminophen plant in Chesterfield, United Kingdom.

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-30- 2885

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HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The 200th launch of a McDonnell Douglas Delta expendable launch vehicle will carry the first of two satellites for the International Maritime Satellite Organization (Inmarsat) into geosynchronous transfer orbit.

Scheduled for Oct. 30 at 6:16 p.m. (EST), the launch will take place from pad 17-B at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla. The launch window will remain open until 6:24 p.m., providing a total of eight minutes available for launch.

An international consortium with a growing membership of about 60 countries, Inmarsat's members direct and influence its policies and contribute to its capital requirements. Inmarsat is responsible for the establishment, maintenance and operation of its satellite system.

The satellite, designated INMARSAT-2 (F1), will provide the next decade's telephone, fax and data services for ships at sea, aircraft in flight and land transport vehicles - travelers anywhere on the globe.

Designed and built by British Aerospace Ltd. the satellite weighs 3,020 pounds and measures about 12 feet high. When fully deployed it will span 55 feet from tip to tip.

The Delta flight path will be on a launch azimuth of 95.85 degrees. Orbit parameters include an apogee altitude of 19,753 nautical miles and perigee altitude of 100 nautical miles. The time from launch until the spacecraft separation will be approximately 43 minutes. INMARSAT-2 will be the sixth commercial satellite to be launched by McDonnell Douglas.

In addition, McDonnell Douglas Commercial Delta Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co. (NYSE: MD), has contracts to launch six more commercial satellites including another for Inmarsat; two for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO); two for GE American Communications Inc., to provide communications in Alaska and the continental United States.; and one for Contel ASC which will provide additional capacity for the growing two-way data communications market.

Over the past 14 years and 65 launches Delta rockets have maintained a 98.5

percent success record.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - TCF Financial Corporation (NYSE: TCB), parent company of TCF Bank Savings fsb (TCF Bank), today reported net income of $4.1 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $5.5 million for the 1989 third quarter and a net loss of $32.3 million for the 1990 second quarter.

The 1990 third quarter results included $669,000 in pre-tax gains from asset sales, compared with $3.5 million in the same 1989 period. Earnings per share were 57 cents for the 1990 third quarter, compared with 75 cents for the 1989 third quarter and a net loss per share of $4.47 for the 1990 second quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, TCF had a net loss of $25 million, compared with 1989 nine month earnings of $16.1 million. The nine month loss per share was $3.47, compared with earnings of $2.22 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

The 1990 third quarter results represent a return to profitability for TCF, which reported a 1990 second quarter net loss due to a balance sheet restructuring that included a $25 million provision for loan and real estate losses, the closing of its Texas thrift subsidiary and write-off of $13.1 million of goodwill, and a net gain of $224,000 from asset sales.

TCF Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William A. Cooper said TCF's third quarter results showed continued improvement in core operations. "In a very difficult period for financial institutions, TCF has managed to continue its progress of improving net interest margin, reducing interest rate risk, increasing fee income, controlling operating expenses, and reducing non-performing assets," said Cooper.

Net interest income for the third quarter was $24.5 million, up from $21.4 million for the 1989 third quarter, but down slightly from $24.7 million for the 1990 second quarter. TCF's net interest margin for the 1990 third quarter was 2.52 percent, up from 1.93 percent for the 1989 third quarter and 2.40 percent for the 1990 second quarter.

Year-to-date net interest income and net interest margin were $73.7 million and 2.43 percent, respectively, up from $69.4 million and 1.97 percent for the first nine months of 1989. TCF's operating results remain susceptible to changes in short-term interest rates.

TCF realized gains of $669,000 on sales of loans and investments in the third quarter, compared with $3.5 million in the 1989 third quarter. Year-to-date, TCF realized gains of $893,000 on sales of loans and investments and the sale of loan servicing, compared with 1989 nine month gains of $10.5 million on sales of loans and investments, the sale of loan servicing, and settlement of certain of its pension plan obligations.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) today reported third quarter earnings per share of $1.50 (fully diluted basis) an 18.1 percent increase over third quarter 1989 earnings per share of $1.27.

Net income was $72 million, a decrease of 17.2 percent vs. third quarter 1989 net income of $87 million. Third quarter 1990 revenue was $847 million, a 1.4 percent increase vs. third quarter 1989 revenue of $835 million.

James A. Hagen, Conrail's chairman, president and chief executive officer, said the net income decline was anticipated because of Conrail's financial restructuring earlier this year, which he described as "part of Conrail's continuing commitment to provide maximum value to shareholders."

The restructuring comprised a $1.1 billion first quarter Dutch auction tender offer followed by a $200 million open market stock purchase program (completed in the third quarter), and resulted in higher net interest costs. The number of common shares outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990, was 40.3 percent lower than at Sept. 30, 1989, because of the tender offer and open market stock purchase program.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $171 million ($3.23 per share, fully diluted basis) vs. nine-month 1989 net income of $229 million ($3.34 per share), a decrease of 25.3 percent in net income and a decrease of 3.3 percent in earnings per share. Revenue for the first nine months of 1990 was $2.53 billion, a decrease of 2.2 percent vs. the $2.59 billion in revenue for the first nine months of 1989.

"We are pleased with Conrail's performance during the third quarter, which was in line with our expectations. Although revenue was relatively stable, Conrail has continued to control costs and improve efficiency. One measure of this success is ton miles per employee, which increased 19 percent compared to the third quarter of 1989," said Hagen.

"As solid as the third quarter has been, the troublesome economic outlook for the remainder of the year and 1991 concerns us," said Hagen. "At the very

least, we expect to see a continuation of the unfavorable traffic mix we have experienced during the past year, with higher volumes of low-revenue freight, such as coal, and lower volumes of high-revenue freight, such as motor vehicles.

"Rising fuel prices will impact our performance in the fourth quarter. We also expect pricing pressure to continue to dampen revenue, despite a four percent increase effective October 1 for much of our non-contract traffic."

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COLUMBUS, OHIO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Huntington Bancshares Incorporated (NASDAQ: HBAN) today reported net income of $2.1 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared with $28.2 million earned in the same period one year ago. These results reflect the impact of management's decision to increase Huntington's allowance for loan and lease losses by an additional $31.6 million. At Sept. 30, the allowance totalled $113.9 million or 1.50 percent of total loans and leases and 136.9 percent of non-performing loans.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $57.8 million versus $81.4 million reported in 1989. Earnings per share were $.04 for the three months and $.99 for the nine months ended September 30, 1990. These figures compare with $.50 and $1.45 for the corresponding periods last year.

"We continually perform a comprehensive review of the loan portfolio, current economic conditions and other pertinent factors to determine the adequacy of the allowance for loan and lease losses. Faced with an anticipated period of declining economic activity, we determined the increase in the allowance to be prudent," stated Frank Wobst, chairman and chief executive officer of Huntington Bancshares Incorporated. "While this action significantly reduces earnings for the third quarter, it puts us in a strong position as we end 1990 and enter the new year. We expect our earnings for the fourth quarter to return to a level that is comparable with prior periods."

During the third quarter, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency conducted a rigorous examination of Huntington's principal subsidiary, The Huntington National Bank, which included a special review of its real estate loan portfolio. This exam did not have a material impact on Huntington's third quarter operating results.

"The Company's asset quality and capital ratios remain in the top quartile of the largest 50 banks in the country. In fact, we do not expect Huntington's charge-offs for the year to exceed .55 percent of average loans and leases - dramatically below current industry averages," Wobst commented. "Our decision to increase the allowance for loan and lease losses will not affect

Huntington's current dividend policy."

The third quarter had many strengths. Average total loans and leases increased 9.5 percent from the third quarter of 1989 to the same period this year. Commercial, consumer and mortgage loans were largely responsible for this increase. Average total deposits also showed good growth up 8.6 percent from the third quarter one year ago.

Net interest income, on a fully tax equivalent basis, increased 8.5 percent from the third quarter of last year. This was primarily due to loan growth and increases in lower cost deposits. The net interest margin improved to 4.17 percent in the third quarter of 1990 from 4.09 percent in the second quarter of this year, and was comparable with the margin of 4.19 percent in the third quarter of 1989.

Huntington's capital levels continue to be well above regulatory guidelines. Average equity to average assets increased to 6.67 percent for the third quarter of 1990 from 6.47 percent for the same period last year. Primary capital to total assets was 7.39 percent at Sept. 30, 1990 versus 7.02 percent one year ago.

Results reported for 1990 include the Sept. 28, 1990 acquisition of First Home Federal Savings and Loan Association, a $200 million company headquartered in Sebring, Florida.

Huntington Bancshares is a $12 billion regional bank holding company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. The Company's banking subsidiaries operate 261 offices in Ohio, Florida, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. In addition, Huntington's mortgage, trust, investment banking, and automobile finance subsidiaries manage 32 offices in the seven states mentioned as well as, Delaware, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Rhode Island, and Virginia.

Huntington's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System using the symbol "HBAN."

HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INCORPORATED
COMPARATIVE SUMMARY (CONSOLIDATED)
(in thousands of dollars)

Consolidated Results of Operations (fully tax equivalent basis)	Three Months Ended September 30 1990	1989	Pct.
Interest Income	$283,198	$268,359	5.5
Interest Expense	171,958	165,874	3.7
Net Interest Income	111,240	102,485	8.5
Provision for Loan & Lease Losses	42,810	7,686	457.0
Non-Interest Income	39,451	34,493	14.4

Non-Interest Expense	103,496	87,036	18.9
Income Taxes	(1,967)	9,419	(120.9)
FTE Adjustment	4,234	4,671	(9.4)
Net Income	$2,118	$28,166	(92.5)
Per Common Share Amounts			
Net Income	$0.04	$0.50	(92.0)
Cash Dividends Declared	$0.20	$0.17	17.6
Average Shares			
Outstanding (000's)	58,772	56,405	
Key Ratios	Pct.	Pct.	Return on:
Average total assets	0.07	1.04	
Average common stockholders' e	1.06	16.09	
Net Interest Margin	4.17	4.19	
Average equity/average assets	6.67	6.47	
Primary capital/total assets (period end)	7.39	7.02	
Total capital/total assets (period end)	8.55	8.33	
Allowance/total loans and leases (period end)	1.50	1.14	

Consolidated Statement of Condition Data	At September 30 1990	1989	Pct.
Loans and Leases	$ 7,578,239	$ 6,954,875	9.0
Total Deposits	$ 8,967,542	$ 8,165,876	9.8
Total Assets	$ 11,889,441	$ 11,098,963	7.1
Stockholders' Equity	$ 770,653	$ 703,182	9.6
Per Common Share	$13.14	$12.47	5.4
Asset Quality			
Non-performing loans	$ 83,213	$ 50,734	64.0
Total non-performing assets	$ 128,208	$ 62,345	105.6

	Nine Months Ended September 30 1990	1989	Pct.
Interest Income	$839,227	$769,958	9.0
Interest Expense	512,715	463,170	10.7
Net Interest Income	326,512	306,788	6.4
Provision for Loan & Lease Losses	61,833	27,695	123.3
Non-Interest Income	114,890	96,543	19.0
Non-Interest Expense	290,096	251,678	15.3
Income Taxes	18,223	26,954	(32.4)
FTE Adjustment	13,412	15,607	(14.1)
Net Income	$57,838	$81,397	(28.9)
Per Common Share Amounts			
Net Income	$0.99	$1.45	(31.7)
Cash Dividends Declared	$0.54	$0.46	17.4
Average Shares			
Outstanding (000's)	58,669	56,181	Key Ratios

Return on:	Pct.	Pct.
Average total assets	0.66	1.05
Average common stockholders' e	10.05	16.14
Net Interest Margin	4.10	4.40
Average equity/average assets	6.56	6.50
Primary capital/total assets (period end)	7.39	7.02
Total capital/total assets (period end)	8.55	8.33
Allowance/total loans and leases (period end)	1.50	1.14

Consolidated Statement of Condition Data	1990	3rd Quarter Avgs. 1989	Pct.
Loans and Leases	7,528,000	6,872,000	9.5
Total Deposits	8,958,000	8,248,000	8.6
Total Assets	11,828,000	10,744,000	10.1
Stockholders' Equity Per Common Share	789,000	695,000	13.5

Note: Per share amounts and average shares outstanding have been adjusted for the ten percent stock dividend declared in May 1990, and distributed on July 31, 1990. Also, 1989 results of operations have been restated for the mergers of First Macomb Bancorp, Inc. and First Banc Securities, Inc. Both mergers were accounted for as poolings-of-interests. The 1990 results include the acquistion of First Home Savings and Loan which was accounted for as a pooling-of-interests.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Integrated Device Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: IDTI) (IDT) today announced results of operations for the second quarter of fiscal year 1991. Revenues for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $49,503,000, down from revenues of $54,118,000 for the like period a year ago, and an increase over revenues of $49,080,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

Net income for the second quarter was $250,000 compared to $260,000 in the prior quarter. Earnings per share for the second quarter were $.01, compared to $.22 for the second quarter of fiscal year 1990. Shares used in calculating earnings per share for the quarter decreased to 25,592,000 from 25,644,000 for the second quarter of fiscal year 1990.

"The second fiscal quarter was disappointing. Orders booked during the quarter for shipment within the quarter did not meet with our expectations,"

said D. John Carey, chairman and executive officer. "Our problems were primarily centered in the TTL I/O SRAM area and continued to be related to two sources. The first was significant competition in the high-speed SRAM marketplace which resulted in lower selling prices. The second was delays in bringing to market very high-speed versions of some of our SRAMs. These delays meant that we were unable to offer for sale the highest-speed version of some of our products, and this further aggravated already severe pricing pressure.

"Considerable progress was made during the quarter on new high-speed versions of 16K x 4, 8K x 8, 32K x 8 and 64K x 4 SRAMs," continued Carey. "These new designs are in various stages of completion, and we expect to sample or ship limited quantities of most of these products during the December quarter. In addition, our new world-class, six-inch wafer fabrication area has achieved limited qualification, and we expect to achieve qualification on several significant products this quarter."

Integrated Device Technology Inc., designs, manufactures and markets high-speed CEMOS(TM) VLSI integrated circuits with sub-micron features sizes. The company's nine product lines are synergistic and are all targeted at high-performance systems.

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WILMOT, WIS. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Stronger sales coupled with control of operational expenses and improved inventory management enabled Gander Mountain Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: GNDR), the mail order and retailer of outdoor sporting goods, to today report record earnings for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net income was up 10.0 percent to $1.1 million when compared to the first quarter of last year.

Ralph L. Freitag, chairman and president, stated, "The record performance of the company was achieved despite economic uncertainty and consumer cautiousness which plagued most of the mail-order industry. We continue to devote attention to our basic plan of strengthening our core business, better management of our margins and building our infra- structure for the future."

RESULTS OF OPERTAIONS The company's net income for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 1 ?percent to $1.1 million from the $1.0 million reported in the same quarter last year. Earnings per share rose to $.40 per share from the $.36 per share reported in the first quarter of 1989.

Net sales increased to $34.5 million for the quarter, up from the $32.7 million reported in the same quarter last year and up from $29.2 million

without the effect of the two subsidiaries divested in fiscal 1990.

Gross margin as a percent of net sales from the core business of outdoor sporting goods remained flat at 34.9 percent compared to 35.0 percent in the same three months of last year.

Total operating expense increased 5.6 percent from the $9.4 million reported in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Without the effect of the two divested subsidiaries, operating expense increased $1.9 million to $9.9 million. Other expense declined $270,000 to $285,000 for the same period.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS Commenting on the financial performance, Freitag indicated "that our strategic focus which began last year and directed toward enhancing our core business of outdoor sporting goods, continued to show very positive results despite a generally unfavorable economic climate. Our sales have been tracking very close to our plan with our retail component performing extremely well.

"Our operating expense, without the effects of the two subsidiaries divested in 1990 and additional expenses related to our catalogs, has increased slightly when compared to the first quarter of last year. Our current quarter also reflects the costs of the additions to our management team and the costs to improve our operations," Freitag added.

"The attention to the operations and inventory management is evident in our lower borrowing costs. Enhanced inventory management has improved our cash flow and reduced our dependency on external bank borrowing," said Freitag.

MARKET INFORMATION Gander Mountain, Inc. is a customer-oriented specialty merchandiser primarily serving the outdoor recreation market through mail-order catalogs and retail outlets. The company's stock trades on NASDAQ National Market System; its symbol is GNDR.

GANDER MOUNTAIN, INC.
Statement of Operations
(In thousands, except per-share income)
Unaudited

	First Quarter Ended Sept. 30		
	1990	1989	
Net sales	$34,545	$32,651	Income (loss)
before income taxes	1,845	1,675	
Net income (loss)	1,107	1,005	Net income (loss)
per share	$.40	$.36	
Weighted average number			
of shares outstanding	2,760	2,760	

NOTE: 1989 operations include the results of two subsidiaries divested in fiscal 1990. Without the two subsidiaries, net sales would be $29.2 million,

net income $1,028,000, and earnings per share $.37.

GANDER MOUNTAIN, INC.
Consolidated Condensed Comparative Balance Sheet
(In thousands)
Unaudited

	First Quarter Ended Sept. 30 1990	1989
Assets		
Cash	$ 440	$ 616
Accounts receivable	3,206	1,652
Inventory	24,842	26,949
Other current assets	5,453	5,103
Total current assets	33,941	34,320
Fixed assets - net	8,560	8,966
Other assets	329	474
Total assets	$42,830	$43,760
Liabilities & Shareholders' Equity		
Accounts payable - trade	$ 8,905	$10,955
Notes payable	11,486	12,242
Other current liabilities	3,018	3,363
Total current liabilities	23,409	26,560
Long-term obligations	2,000	2,507
Other liabilities	846	528
Total liabilities	26,255	29,595
Total shareholders' equity	16,575	14,165
Total liabilities & shareholders' equity	$42,830	$43,760

NOTE: Total assets for Sept. 30, 1989, include $1.6 million of assets of a subsidiary divested in May 1990.

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ST. PAUL, MINN. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - ST. JUDE MEDICAL, INC., (NASDAQ-NMS: STJM) TODAY REPORTED THAT NET SALES AND NET EARNINGS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER 1990 SURPASSED ALL PREVIOUS THIRD QUARTER LEVELS.

NET SALES FOR THE QUARTER ENDED SEPT. 30, 1990, TOTALED $41.2 MILLION, AN INCREASE OF 16 PERCENT OVER NET SALES OF $35.4 MILLION FOR THE SAME PERIOD A YEAR AGO. FOR THE NINE MONTHS, ST. JUDE MEDICAL POSTED NET SALES OF $132.5 MILLION, AN 18 PERCENT INCREASE OVER NET SALES OF $112.1 MILLION A YEAR AGO.

NET EARNINGS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER WERE $15.7 MILLION, OR $.33 PER SHARE, A 30 PERCENT INCREASE OVER NET EARNINGS OF $12.1 MILLION, OR $.25 PER SHARE, FOR

THE SAME PERIOD A YEAR AGO. FOR THE NINE MONTHS, NET EARNINGS OF $48.8 MILLION OR $1.02 PER SHARE, INCREASED 28 PERCENT OVER NET EARNINGS OF $38.2 MILLION, OR $.80 PER SHARE, LAST YEAR.

OPERATING RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND YEAR-TO-DATE INCLUDED PROVISIONS FOR ANTICIPATED INVENTORY RETURNS FROM EUROPEAN DISTRIBUTORS AND INCREASED GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH ESTABLISHING THE INTERNATIONAL DIVISION.

"OPERATING RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER REFLECTED CONTINUED PENETRATION OF OUR PRINCIPAL MARKETS", STATED LAWRENCE A. LEHMKUHL, ST. JUDE MEDICAL'S PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. HE CONTINUED, "THE PROCESS OF ESTABLISHING OUR INTERNATIONAL DIVISION IN WESTERN EUROPE IS PROGRESSING VERY WELL. WE ARE EXCITED ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR CUSTOMERS DIRECTLY."

ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. DEVELOPS, MANUFACTURES AND MARKETS MEDICAL DEVICES FOR CARDIOVASCULAR AND VASCULAR APPLICATIONS.

ST. JUDE MEDICAL, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS
(IN THOUSANDS) (A)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30	
	1990	1989
NET SALES	$41,193	$35,447
COST OF PRODUCTS SOLD	14,354	13,001
GROSS PROFIT	26,839	22,446
OPERATING EXPENSES		
SELLING	3,106	3,520
ADMINISTRATIVE & GENERAL	3,687	2,540
RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT	1,787	1,885
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	8,580	7,945
EARNINGS FROM OPERATIONS	18,259	14,501
OTHER INCOME	2,670	1,812
EARNINGS BEFORE TAXES	20,929	16,313
INCOME TAXES	5,243	4,241
NET EARNINGS	$15,686	$12,072
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE	$.33	$.25
PRIMARY SHARES OUTSTANDING	47,911	47,604

	NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30	
	1990	1989
NET SALES	$132,512	$112,115
COST OF PRODUCTS SOLD	46,144	40,902
GROSS PROFIT	86,368	71,213
OPERATING EXPENSES		
SELLING	10,526	10,857
ADMINISTRATIVE & GENERAL	12,036	8,192

RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT	4,794	4,187
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	27,356	23,236
EARNINGS FROM OPERATIONS	59,012	47,977
OTHER INCOME	6,958	5,078
EARNINGS BEFORE TAXES	65,970	53,055
INCOME TAXES	17,179	14,897
NET EARNINGS	$48,791	$38,158
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE	$1.02	$.80
PRIMARY SHARES OUTSTANDING	47,829	47,464

(A) EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA

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HOUSTON (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Baker Hughes Inc. (NYSE: BHI) today announced the completion of the acquisition of ChemLink Inc., an oil-field and industrial specialty chemicals company. As previously announced, the acquisition was made by Baker Performance Chemicals, the Baker Hughes subsidiary operating in the oil-field performance chemical markets.

Baker Hughes is a leading provider of products and services for the oil, gas and process industries.

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PALO ALTO, CA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Lincoln N.C. Realty Fund Inc. (AMEX: LRF) announced today that it had entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with K&G Partners, a California limited partnership (K&G Partners), whose general partner is Silverstone Partners, a California corporation (Silverstone), relating to the sale by LNCRF of its Lincoln Rancho Bernardo investment.

The Purchase and Sale Agreement provides that LNCRF will sell the Lincoln Rancho Bernardo property in San Diego to K&G Partners for a stated purchase price of $17,000,000, consisting of $15,350,000 in cash and 191,531 shares of LNCRF's common stock. Based upon this stated purchase price, each share being delivered by K&G Partners would have a value of approximately $8.61. The closing sale price of LNCRF's common stock on the American Stock Exchange on Oct. 16, 1990 was $5.75. The 191,531 shares being delivered by K&G Partners constitute approximately 9.6 percent of LNCRF's outstanding common stock. If the proposed transaction is consummated, such shares will be canceled and LNCRF's outstanding shares of common stock will be reduced from

1,998,493 shares to 1,806,962 shares.

The consummation of the proposed sale to K&G Partners is subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, including the satisfaction by K&G Partners of its due diligence investigation, the receipt by LNCRF of a deed in lieu of foreclosure for the Lincoln Rancho Bernardo property, satisfaction of certain standard closing conditions in real estate transactions, the receipt of necessary approvals with regard to the Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds issued in connection with the financing of the property, approval by LNCRF's shareholders, LNCRF's receipt of a fairness opinion, and confirmation of financing by K&G Partners. LNCRF hopes to consummate the sale during the first quarter of 1991.

In August of 1990, LNCRF announced that it had entered into a Letter of Intent with Silverstone and Silverstone's sole shareholder, David A. Gaon, a Los Angeles businessman, with respect to the sale of the Lincoln Rancho Bernardo property.

LNCRF's board of directors intends to continue its discussions regarding future alternatives for LNCRF.

LNCRF is a real estate investment trust. LNCRF's securities are listed on the American and Pacific stock exchanges.

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ATHLONE, IRELAND (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Elan Corporation, plc (AMEX: ELN) announced today that the Securities and Exchange Commission declared effective the registration statement filed by Elan and Drug Research Corporation relating to a rights offering by Elan to its shareholders. Rights issued in the offering will be distributed commencing tomorrow to Elan shareholders of record on Oct. 16, 1990 and will trade on the American Stock Exchange commencing tomorrow through 4:00 p.m., New York City time, on Nov. 13, 1990. The rights will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on Nov. 14, 1990.

Four rights, together with $11, are required to subscribe for one unit, and each unit will consist of one callable ordinary share of DRC (represented by an American Depositary Share evidenced by an American Depositary Receipt (ADR) and one five-year warrant to acquire one ordinary share (evidenced by an ADR) of Elan. The exercise price of the warrant will be 30 percent above the average closing price of Elan's ADSs on the American Stock Exchange during the last five trading days immediately preceding the date of the expiration of the rights. The Elan warrants and DRC ADSs comprising the units will trade together for a period of two years from the closing date of the subscription offering, after which time they will separate and be traded individually. The warrants

will be exercisable for the three year period commencing on the date of the separation of the unit.

Elan and DRC are offering a total of approximately 3.9 million units and they expect to raise between $25 million and $43 million of gross proceeds in the subscription offering. In the event that all units are not subscribed for by holders of rights, subscribers will have the option to acquire additional units, subject to availability, of up to three times the number of units that the subscriber would be otherwise entitled to acquire on the basis of the number of rights submitted to acquire Units. In the event that less than $25 million in gross proceeds is raised, the subscription offering will be withdrawn and, in addition to payments for units and interest on such payments which will be returned to subscribers, an amount equal to 12-1/2 cents per unit will be paid to subscribers.

Holders who subscribe for units will have the right to designate qualified broker/dealers which have facilitated or assisted in the investment decision of such holders to receive (unless the subscription offering is withdrawn) $.25 per unit acquired.

All of the proceeds of the subscription offering will be paid to DRC, which will develop through Elan, pursuant to a development contract, certain products based on Elan's proprietary ETDAS (Electro Transport Drug Absorption System) and IPDAS (Intestinal Protective Drug Absorption System) technologies. Elan and DRC expect that substantially all of the funds raised in the subscription offering will be paid to Elan pursuant to the development contract.

Elan and DRC will each have certain licensing, manufacturing and marketing rights relating to the products to be developed under the development contract. In addition, Elan will have the option to acquire all (but not less than all) of DRC's shares at escalating predetermined prices per share through Dec. 31, 1995.

Copies of the Prospectus may be obtained from Corporate Investor Communications, Inc., the information agent for the subscription offering, or The Bank of New York or The Bank of Ireland, subscription agents for the Subscription Offering.

Elan is a leader in the specialized health care field of advanced reformulation and drug delivery, concentrating on improved drug absorption and utilization. Elan operates research and manufacturing facilities in Athlone, Ireland; Gainesville, Ga.; Enschede, Netherlands; Manila, Philippines; Brea, Calif. and Cambridge, Mass.

This communication does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy rights or units.

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BLUE BELL, PA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Unisys Corp. (NYSE: UIS) said today that its board of directors has elected J. Carl Masi a corporate vice president.

Masi, a 25-year computer industry veteran, joined Unisys in September as vice president of Corporate Marketing.

Masi, 49, was previously chairman and chief executive officer of International Data Corp., Framingham, Mass., and an executive vice president at Wang Laboratories Inc., Lowell, Mass. During his 12-year Wang tenure, Masi held a number of senior-level management positions in both U.S. and international sales, marketing and support operations. He holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Tufts University.

Reto Braun, Unisys executive vice president, said Masi will be responsible for guiding the refinement and implementation of the company's line-of-business strategies on a worldwide basis. "For Unisys to execute the company's strategy," Braun said, "it is critical that we effectively target and penetrate solution market segments that match our commitment to providing open information networks. Carl's global sales and marketing experience will help Unisys continue to improve its overall effectiveness in marketing."

Masi replaces Jack Holton, who concurrently was named vice president, Strategic Account Marketing for Unisys.

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MENOMONEE FALLS, WI (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - F&M Financial Services Corp. (NASDAQ: FMFS) today announced that net income for the third quarter of 1990 increased 10 percent to $1,108,000, or $0.37 per share, compared to $1,005,000 or $0.34 per share, for the same period in 1989.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $2,493,000, or $0.84 per share, compared to $2,694,000, or $0.98 per share, a year ago. The current nine-month figures reflect F&M's decision to add an extra $1,223,000 to the loan loss reserve -- in addition to the planned increases to the reserve -- primarily during the second quarter of 1990. Excluding this additional charge, year-to-date net income would have been $1.09 per share. At Sept. 30, 1990, the loan loss reserve was 1.27 percent of total loans outstanding, as compared

to 1.03 percent at Dec. 31, 1989.

"Our decision to increase the loan loss reserve in the second quarter strengthened F&M's balance sheet," said Richard P. Klug, chairman, president and chief executive officer of F&M. "Third- quarter earnings benefited from the general stability of the net interest margin, which was 4.69 percent (based on average earnings assets) for the quarter. We are pleased to report these improved earnings, particularly given the difficult economic and industry environments we currently face."

Total assets as of Sept. 30, 1990, were $689 million. Deposits rose to $602 million during the first nine months of the year, up 14 percent from Sept. 30, 1989. Net loans were $473 million at Sept. 30, 1990, up 15 percent from the same time last year. At Sept. 30, 1990, nonperforming loans were 1.45 percent of total loans.

"We continue to focus on the quality and diversity of our loan portfolio," Klug said. "Asset quality is a key priority at F&M -- so important that we have incorporated it as a measure in our employee performance and reward system."

F&M Financial Services Corp. is a diversified multibank holding company headquartered in Menomonee Falls, Wis., with 34 banking locations throughout the state. F&M also has four nonbank subsidiaries, which are: F&M Trust Co., Inc.; Leasenu, Inc., a full-line leasing company; F&M Insurance Services, Ltd.; and F&M Realty, Inc.

F&M FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP.
Financial Highlights

Periods ended Sept. 30	Three Months 1990(A)	1989	Percent Change
OPERATING RESULTS (B)			
Interest income	$16,830	$14,975	12.39
Interest expense	9,926	8,807	12.71
Net interest income	6,904	6,168	11.93
Provision for loan losses	545	454	20.04
Noninterest income	1,246	966	28.99
Noninterest expense	6,009	5,201	15.54
Net income	1,108	1,005	10.25
Net income per share	.37 (E)	.34 (E)	8.82
Dividends per share	$ .088 (E)	$.088 (E)	--

Periods ended Sept. 30	Six Months 1990 (A)	1989	Percent Change
OPERATING RESULTS (B)			
Interest income	$49,421	$42,074	17.46
Interest expense	29,091	24,307	19.68

Net interest income	20,330	17,767	14.43
Provision for loan losses	2,455	1,269	93.46
Noninterest income	3,339	2,389	39.77
Noninterest expense	17,727	15,059	17.72
Net income	2,493	2,694	(7.46)
Net income per share	.84 (E)	.98 (E)	(14.29)
Dividends per share	$ .2640 (E)	$.2640 (E)	--

FINANCIAL POSITION (B)

Periods ended Sept. 30	1990 (A)	1989	Percent Change
Assets	$689,338	$608,178	13.34
investment securities	111,746	94,228	18.59
Loans	479,504	414,894	15.57
Allowance for loan losses	6,108	4,452	37.20
Nonperforming loans (F)	6,968	4,915	41.77
Deposits	601,531	528,183	13.89
Shareholders' equity	43,020	39,727	8.29
Shareholders' equity per share	$ 14.40 (E)	$13.46 (E)	6.98

OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION

For the nine months ended (annualized)			Change
Return on average equity	7.91 pct	9.94 pct	(20.42)
Return on average assets	.50 pct	.63 pct	(20.63)
Weighted average shares at Sept. 30	2,970,168 (E)	2,773,224 (E)	7.10
Primary capital as a pct. of total assets	7.77 pct	7.93 pct	(2.02)
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of loans	1.27 pct	1.07 pct	18.69
Nonperforming loans as a pct. of loans (F)	1.45 pct	1.18 pct	22.88
Number of employees (FTE)	424	386	9.84
Number of banking offices	34	26	30.77

HISTORICAL QUARTERLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY (B)

QUARTER ENDED	ASSETS	SHARE-HOLDERS' EQUITY	YTD AVERAGE ASSETS	YTD ON AVERAGE ASSETS (ANNUALIZED)	NET/D INCOME
Sept. 30, 1990(A)	$689,338	$43,020	$667,811	.50	$1,108
June 30, 1990(A)	$666,984	$41,967	$661,021	.42	$ 383
March 31, 1990(A)	652,386	$41,746	$659,768	.62	$1,002
Dec. 31, 1989(A)	680,568	40,885	579,259	.70	1,340
Sept. 30, 1989	608,178	39,727	567,704	.63	1,005
June 30, 1989	581,554	35,897	552,499	.61	884
March 31, 1989	542,570	35,176	547,562	.59	805
Dec. 31, 1988	559,367	34,251	523,478	.55	904

STOCK PRICE

	PER SHARE			RANGE(C,E)	
	Net(D,E) Income	Dividends (D) (Historical)(E)	Book(E) Value	Low	High
Sept. 30, 1990(A)	$.37	$.088	$14.40	$ 9.13	$14.50
June 30, 1990(A)	$.13	$.088	$14.12	$13.40	$15.25
March 31, 1990(A)	.34	.088	14.08	13.40	15.20
Dec. 31, 1989(A)	.46	.088	13.83	13.40	15.80
Sept. 30, 1989	.34	.088	13.46	12.60	16.40
June 30, 1989	.33	.088	13.27	12.80	14.40
March 31, 1989	.30	.088	13.03	12.20	13.20

(A) Financial information includes the December 1989 acquisition of St. Francis State Bank.

(B) Amounts in thousands except per share data and percentage data.

(C) High and low sales prices in the NASDAQ National Market System as reported by NASDAQ (adjusted for stock split).

(D) Figures represent quarterly information.

(E) Current and historical per share figures have been adjusted for the 5-for-4 stock split payable May 2, 1990, to shareholders of record on April 16 1990.

(F) In this context, nonperforming loans are defined as nonaccrual loans and loans 90 days or more past due.

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EAST HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Barry Baskind, president of Motts Holdings, Inc. (AMEX: MSM), disclosed today that all litigation in connection with the three supermarkets held by its supermarket-related subsidiary, Mott's Super Markets, Inc. ("Mott's"), has been terminated by all parties.

Appropriate releases have been executed and exchanged, and Mott's has sold to ShopRite Supermarkets, Inc., a New Jersey corporation, and a subsidiary of Wakefern Food Corp., all the assets and the tenants' interests related to the three supermarkets under the leases.

The supermarkets involved are located in Waterbury, Bloomfield, and Brookfield Conn. It was also announced that Motts is withdrawing as a member of the Wakefern cooperative buying organization.

The consideration to Mott's for the sale of the stores is $2,125,000 plus the net value of the inventory and supplies, as determined in accordance with the terms of the contract, a portion of which will be paid to the landlords of the three stores. The closing has effectively terminated all the supermarket operations of Motts Holdings, Inc.

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THOUSAND OAKS, CA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Amgen Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: AMGN) announced today its financial results for its second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter were $78,844,000 compared with revenues of $39,577,000 for the same quarter a year ago, an increase of 99 percent. Net income was $14,314,000 or $0.33 per share compared with net income of $3,912,000 for the same period a year ago or $0.11 per share, adjusted for the company's recent two for one stock split.

For the first six months of Fiscal 1991, revenues were $150,494,000 compared with $68,067,000 for the same period last year. Net income for the first six months was $25,460,000 ($0.62 per share) compared with $4,747,000 ($0.13 per share) for the same period last year.

Amgen's chairman and chief executive officer, Gordon Binder, commented on the results saying, "The year-to-year growth in our revenues reflects the strong sales of Epogen(R). The number of dialysis patients on Epogen had grown to over 72,000 by the end of the quarter.

"Research and development expenses for the quarter include a one time charge of $4.7 million that the company incurred to acquire technology rights related to Neupogen(R), which will eliminate certain royalties on future sales of that product in the United States."

Amgen is a major biotechnology firm developing pharmaceutical products based on advances in recombinant DNA and molecular biology. The company, located in Thousand Oaks, was founded in April 1980. The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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SHELTON, CONN. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Data Switch Corporation (NASDAQ: DASW) today reported that sales growth continued in the third quarter, resulting in record quarterly revenues and cash flow from operations.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $31,499,000, a 30 percent increase over revenues of $24,164,000 in 1989s third quarter. Net income was $998,000, or 9 cents per share, versus $109,000, or 1 cent per share, a year ago. The current period's income included an extraordinary gain of $165,000, or 2 cents per share, representing an upward adjustment of the first quarter gain resulting from the company's debenture exchange.

For the nine months of 1990, revenues were $89,106,000, with net income of $4,559,000, or 40 cents per share, compared with 1989s nine month revenues of $75,959,000 and net loss of $2,245,000, or 20 cents per share. Included in the nine months results was an extraordinary gain of $2,378,000 or 21 cents per share, from the debenture exchange.

Commenting on third quarter results, Robert G. Gilbertson, president and chief executive officer, said, that revenue improvements resulted from steady growth in both domestic and international sales. "All product lines did well," he said, "and data communications product sales were strengthened by initial shipments of the Universe distributed communications matrix switch, announced early in 1990."

"However," Gilbertson said, "profits were adversely affected by a larger provision for obsolete materials than we normally have, other write-downs, and a slight variance in product mix. We experienced the impact of these adjustments in the third quarter and expect gross margins next quarter to improve."

Gilbertson also pointed out that both inventories and receivables wee reduced during the period. Inventories declined to $25 million by the quarter's end, 12 percent lower than the $29 million three months ago. Receivables dropped by 14 percent, from $37 million to $32 million.

"These improvements," he said "had a direct positive effect on our balance sheet, contributing to cash flow in excess of $10 million during the quarter. This, in turn, enabled us to further reduce our debt, as we continued to strengthen the company's financial position."

Looking ahead, Gilbertson said that sales activity in the final quarter "is expected to continue along current trends, given backlog and momentum. We are carefully watching for effects in the marketplace of IBM's recent product announcement, although indications are that customers view it as a strategic direction and do not plan to move rapidly to the new architecture. Because we had anticipated the IBM product changes, we are well positioned with our current products and products under development to meet present and future customer needs."

Data Switch Corporation is a leading manufacturer of management and control systems for data processing and data communications applications.

DATA SWITCH CORPORATION
(000s except per share data)

Periods ended:	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues, net	$31,499	$24,164	$89,106	$75,959
Pre-tax income (loss)	2,149	483	5,249	(2,300)
Benefit (prov.) for taxes	(1,316)	(374)	(3,068)	55
Income (loss) bef. extraord. gain	883	109	2,181	(2,245)
Extraordinary gain (A)	165	--	2,378	--
Net income (loss)	$998	$109	$4,559	$(2,245)
Net income (loss) per share	$.09	$.01	$.40	$(.20)
Average shares outstanding	11,580	11,171	11,516	11,139

(A) -- Net gain from debenture exchange.

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LATROBE, PA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Kennametal Inc. (NYSE: KMT) reported today that sales and earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased over the same period a year ago.

Sales for the September 1990 quarter were $152 million, up 12 percent from $136 million last year. Net income was $6.9 million, or $0.66 per share, up seven percent from $6.5 million, or $0.62 per share last year.

Quentin C. McKenna, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said that sales growth resulted primarily from the acquisition of J&L America Inc. (J&L) last January, continued strong demand for metalworking products in Europe and coal and construction tools in the United States and favorable foreign currency translation effects of a weaker U.S. dollar.

Sales in Kennametal's traditional, U.S. metalworking business remained flat for the second consecutive quarter. McKenna stated that the weak U.S. economy and fears of a possible recession limited sales growth in the U.S. market. The company increased prices of traditional metalworking products in the U.S. during the past week, the first such increase in over a year.

In reviewing the operating results, McKenna noted that the gross margin percentage increased from 41 percent to 42 percent primarily as a result of cost reductions and productivity improvements in the company's non-U.S.

manufacturing operations. Higher interest expense and amortization costs were directly related to the acquisition of J&L.

GIS Supply, an industrial supply company acquired in June 1989, again incurred an operating loss in the September 1990 quarter. The operating loss, coupled with interest expense and amortization of intangible assets acquired, lowered Kennametal's earnings per share by about ten cents in the September 1990 quarter.

While the operating loss was higher than a year ago, it was substantially lower than the operating loss sustained in the June 1990 quarter. While GIS Supply's sales have increased over the past year, operating expenses have also increased in order to support GIS Supply's long-term strategy of becoming a national distributor of industrial tools and supplies.

During the September 1990 quarter, the company reduced the operating losses in its United Kingdom operations as compared with a year ago. The improvement in the U.K. is the result of higher sales and improved margins arising from manufacturing rationalization programs implemented in the second quarter last year.

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HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Loctite Corporation (NYSE: LOC) today reported significant growth in sales worldwide, together with strong earnings growth for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the third quarter reached $138,890,000, registering a growth of 21 percent over the prior year's September quarter, while earnings improved 22 percent to $17,613,000. Earnings per share improved from 80 cents to 97 cents.

Loctite Corporation previously announced a change in its fiscal year to a calendar year. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales grew 17 percent to $412,011,000, while earnings grew 14 percent to $51,032,000. Earnings per share for the nine months grew from $2.48 in the prior year's nine months to $2.81.

Commenting on the strong quarter performance, Ken Butterworth, chairman and chief executive officer, said that the U.S. business, both industrial and the combined automotive aftermarket and consumer business, showed double digit growth.

The European region business showed strong growth in their domestic currencies considerably enhanced by the impact of rates of exchange with the U.S. dollar. The Pacific region growth was more modest, with negligible currency

effect. The Latin American business remained strong during the period.

Loctite Corporation, a worldwide, market-driven specialty chemical company, ranks among the leading suppliers of proprietary high-performance adhesives, sealants, coatings, specialized brand-name chemicals, and electroluminescent lamps and lighting systems. Principal markets include industrial, electronics, specialized medical, professional automotive, and consumer.

LOCTITE CORPORATION
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three months		Nine months	
Period ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$138,890	$114,914	$412,011	$352,202
Gross margin	86,394	71,417	252,818	217,929
Operating expenses	61,461	50,753	180,150	154,094
Earnings from operations	24,933	20,664	72,668	63,835
Pretax earnings	24,294	20,172	69,314	63,379
Net earnings	17,613	14,423	51,032	44,669
Earnings per share	.97	.80	2.81	2.48
Avg. shrs. outstg.	18,198,000	17,995,000	18,206,000	17,977,000

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TORRANCE, CA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) today reported net income of $1.1 million ($.04 per share) on net revenues of $60.4 million for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $19.3 million ($.74 per share) on net revenues of $53.9 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $12.5 million ($.47 per share) on net revenues of $165.5 million. The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, was $27.6 million ($1.05 per share) on net revenues of $203.2 million. The company stated that its 1990 third quarter profit was primarily attributable to increased worldwide revenues.

On July 31, 1990, Ashton-Tate shipped dBASE IV version 1.1 in three editions: the Standard Edition, Developers' Edition and LAN Pack. The company also simultaneously shipped anglicized English, French and German versions of the product.

"We are very pleased with the progress we've made on dBASE IV version 1.1," said Bill Lyons, Ashton-Tate's president. "We have shipped more than 350,000 units, including free upgrades, channel stock balancing and full-system sales; the product has been favorably reviewed in the industry press; and our customers are confirming that it is stable and reliable."

At the dBASE IV version 1.1 launch, Ashton-Tate unveiled plans to port dBASE IV across multiple hardware platforms and operating systems. According to the company, dBASE IV for VAX VMS, which will run on Digital Equipment Corp. Machines and dBASE IV for Sun Microsystems workstations, are scheduled to ship in the fourth quarter.

Other ports, including dBASE IV RunTime PLUS for Apple's Macintosh and several UNIX-compatible versions, and the dBASE IV Server Edition, are currently in beta test.

During the quarter, the company announced that its directors had authorized the repurchase of up to three million shares of its common stock. It has already repurchased approximately 1.7 million of such shares.

Headquartered in Torrance, Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software. The company's major product categories include database management systems, word processing, integrated decision support, spreadsheets, graphics and software utilities.

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TAYLOR, MI (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Heritage Bankcorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: HEBC) today reported that net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $917,000 as compared to $573,000 for the same period one year ago.

Earnings per share were $0.43 per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, earnings per share were $0.21 based upon historical earnings since the issuance of common stock (Aug. 10, 1989) and $0.32 per share based upon pro forma earnings as if the common shares were issued on July 1, 1989.

E.G. Wilkinson Jr., president and chief executive officer, stated that "the increase in quarterly income reflects the strong core earnings of our company." The company continues to report core earnings from operations at a time when market forces are challenging the performance of many financial institutions.

"During this period, our shareholders continue to own a company characterized by consistent earnings and strong capital. On Oct. 15, 1990, we paid a $0.13 per share cash dividend. That payment represents the fourth quarterly dividend since our stock offering."

During the quarter, the Office of Thrift Supervision ("OTS") completed a full

regulatory review of the company's subsidiary Heritage Federal Savings Bank. The OTS review resulted in $7.2 million of additional loans being classified as loans of concern.

The additions to the bank's loans of concern include $6.0 million of "performing - nonperforming" loans. "Performing - nonperforming" loans include loans which are paid-to-date and have not had a delinquent payment in the past 12 months.

Certain "performing - nonperforming" loans have been renegotiated and contain additional repayment arrangements not included in the original note. Additionally, the bank allocated $1.0 million of its general allowance for possible loan losses specifically against the "performing - nonperforming" loans.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, total nonaccruing loans, loans of concern and real estate owned were $21.4 million and the allowance for possible loan losses to nonaccruing loans, loans of concern and real estate owned was 22 percent.

Wilkinson also emphasized that the bank continues to exceed all fully phased-in regulatory capital requirements as of Sept. 30, 1990. The bank's capital ratios are: tangible 4.8 percent, core 5.8 percent, and risk based 13.0 percent.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Dutch Institutional Holding Co. (DIHC) has sold Grand Cypress resort in Orlando, Fla., to Grand Cypress Florida Inc., a subsidiary of Hawaii-based Kyo-ya Co. Ltd.

The sale of the luxury resort was completed today, said Charles W. Strawser Jr., president of Atlanta-based DIHC. Price was not disclosed.

Grand Cypress, which was developed and managed by DIHC, is a 1,500-acre, European-style, golf-and-tennis resort adjacent to Walt Disney World. It includes the 750-room Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress, 45 golf holes designed by Jack Nicklaus, luxury villas, a golf academy, a racquet club, an equestrian center, and other recreational facilities.

Kyo-ya Co. Ltd. is based in Honolulu, Hawaii, and currently owns seven hotels in Hawaii and California and one hotel in Australia. The Hawaii hotels include the Sheraton Waikiki, Moana Surfrider, Royal Hawaiian and Princess Kaiulani, located on the island of Oahu, and the Sheraton Maui, located on the island of Maui, all of which are managed by ITT Sheraton. The California

hotels include the Sheraton Palace in San Francisco, and the Sheraton Town House in Los Angeles. Kyo-ya's Australian hotel is the Ramada Renaissance, located in Sydney.

DIHC, headquartered in Atlanta, is the U.S. real estate investment arm of Pensioenfonds PGGM, the largest private pension fund in The Netherlands. The fund has assets of more than $18 billion, 20 percent of which is invested in real estate. DIHC's U.S. real estate portfolio, valued at $1.3 billion, includes properties in Atlanta, Charlotte, Chicago, Boston and Washington.

"Grand Cypress is being acquired by a very fine organization," Strawser said. "I am confident that Kyo-ya will continue the high standards that DIHC has set for Grand Cypress and that the resort will continue to be a world-class destination.

"Almost two years ago, we embarked upon a strategy to divest ourselves of operating businesses such as Grand Cypress resort and concentrate on our commercial real estate investments. Today we achieved that goal," said Strawser.

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BERKELEY, CALIF. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Paperback Software International confirmed today that they had reached a settlement with Lotus Development Corp. (NASDAQ: LOTS) in their landmark four-year old lawsuit over copyright infringement. Paperback Software has agreed to stop selling their VP-Planner spreadsheet products on Dec. 1, 1990. In June of this year, a federal court in Boston ruled that Paperback's spreadsheet program, VP-Planner, infringed Lotus' copyright on the user interface of their spreadsheet program, 1-2-3.

According to Paperback Software President, Steven Cook, "Reaching a settlement with Lotus allows us to concentrate on the marketplace instead of the courtroom. We plan to immediately solidify our position as the number one supplier of expert system development tools for personal computers." Cook contintued, "Walking away from the copyright issue is not what we wanted to do since we still strongly disagree with the judge's opinion. However, this settlement is simply our best business alternative. Since the lawsuit was filed nearly four years ago, our customers have been very supportive but we've had to bear the entire burden of the litigation. This is an industry battle that is best carried on by participants with greater resources."

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumer complaints about having long distance service switched among carriers have been exaggerated for competitive reasons, an MCI official told a congressional subcommittee today.

"Our records indicate that less than one-half of 1 percent of consumers have errors in carrier selection changes," said Eugene Eidenberg, MCI executive vice president. Testifying before the House Committee on Government Operations' Subcommittee on Government Information, Justice and Agriculture hearing, Eidenberg urged Congress, "Do not be taken in by AT&T's self-interest in preserving its market share, but focus on consumer concerns and interests.

"AT&T's motives are clear in stemming the loss of their customers who switch to other long distance companies for better value and quality service," said Eidenberg. "AT&T continues to lose more than 100,000 customers a week to its competitors and they are resorting to tactics that impair the telemarketing practices of these other long distance companies.

"The real goal of this subcommittee should be to ensure the absolute integrity and zero fault tolerance of the telemarketing practices of long distance companies," continued the MCI official. "MCI supports this ideal and last week submitted to the Federal Communications Commission a five-step plan to protect consumers against unauthorized switches."

MCI's plan submitted to the FCC would require that all long distance companies which engage in telemarketing implement measures that would have:

1. Mandatory and uniform disclosure language in all sales contacts.
2. Monitoring of telemarketing activities to ensure compliance of mandatory disclosure language.
3. Independent verification of sale, with mandatory language including the fact that the consumer's long distance company will be changed.
4. Outside independent auditing firm, to examine company's sales practices.
5. Free and convenient return to customer's original carrier when they claim they have been switched without their authorization.

"This package of consumer protections will accomplish two important goals," said Eidenberg. "It will protect consumers from unauthorized switches and, at the same time, permit AT&T competitors to market their services effectively. MCI has implemented many of these measures already, and is in the process of putting this entire package in place regardless of what actions the FCC may take.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - United Television Inc. (NASDAQ: UTVI) today announced third quarter net income of $3,377,000 or $.31 per share, compared to last year's third quarter net income of $59,076,000, or $5.39 per share. The 1989 third quarter results reflect a net gain of approximately $61,000,000 on the sale of a portion of the company's former Warner Communications Inc. holdings.

Net revenues for the 1990 third quarter were $27,343,000, an increase of 15 percent from last year's $23,763,000, and a third quarter record. The company's third quarter operating income increased to $2,286,000 from a loss of $343,000 in last year's third quarter.

Interest and other income in the quarter increased to $2,742,000 from last year's $1,616,000, primarily reflecting interest on cash balances resulting from the 1989 Warner sale, as well as dividends received on Time Warner Inc. (NYSE: TWX) convertible preferred stock acquired in January 1990 in exchange for the company's remaining Warner holdings. Interest expense declined to $201,000 from $1,314,000 in the prior year quarter reflecting the September 1989 redemption of the company's 14 1/2 percent subordinated debentures.

Net income for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $44,840,000, or $4.13 per share, compared to last year's net income of $59,928,000 or $5.47 per share. Approximately $35,900,000 of 1990 nine month net income and $61,000,000 of 1989 nine month net income is attributable to net gains on dispositions of the company's Warner holdings.

Nine month net income excluding the Warner gain was $8,905,000, or $.82 per share compared to last year's loss of $1,283,000 or $.12 per share. The increase is attributable to a 95 percent increase in operating income, to $4,463,000 from $2,294,000, together with increases in interest and dividend income as well as decreases in interest and debt retirement expense. Net revenues for the nine months were a record $85,326,000, a 13 percent gain over last year's $75,572,000.

UNITED TELEVISION INC.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
Third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989
(Unaudited - In thousands except per share data)

	Third quarter		Nine months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$27,343	$23,763	$85,326	$75,572
Operating income (loss)	$2,286	($343)	$4,463	$2,294

Other income (expense): Income associated with interest in Warner Communications Inc.	---	106,494	63,435	108,996
Interest and other income	2,742	1,616	8,516	1,835
Interest expense	(201)	(1,314)	(249)	(5,245)
Debt retirement expense	---	(2,752)	---	(2,752)
Total	2,541	104,044	71,702	102,834
Income before income taxes	4,827	103,701	76,165	105,128
Income tax provision	(1,450)	(44,625)	(31,325)	(45,200)
Net income	$3,377	$59,076	$44,840	$59,928
Net income per share	$.31	$5.39	$4.13	$5.47
Average common shares outstanding	10,889	10,962	10,861	10,952

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RALEIGH, N.C. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - RS Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: RFBK) announced the results of operation for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990. A net loss of $457,000 or $0.14 per share was incurred for the September quarter compared to net income of $852,000 or $0.25 per share in 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 was $966,000 or $0.28 per share compared to $2,890,000 or $0.84 per share in 1989.

President Wright stated that considering the current weakness in local real estate markets, as well as the overall economy, $2,300,000 was added during the September quarter as a general provision for loan losses; year to date additions of $3,240,000 have been made to general loan loss reserves. Classified assets totaled $37.8 million at September 30, 1990. Total general and specific reserves were $6.0 million. Based on the current composition of the loan and investment portfolios, management stated that reserves are adequate.

Total assets were $784.7 million at September 30, 1990 and total deposits were $669.7 million. Shareholders equity was $65.0 million or $19.84 per share. Raleigh Federal Savings Bank, RS Financial Corp.'s wholly owned subsidiary, continues to exceed all fully phased in regulatory capital requirements. Raleigh Federal Savings Bank is a full service financial institution with 32 locations throughout central and eastern North Carolina.

RS Financial Corp.'s common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market

System under the symbol RFBK.

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LONDON (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Maxwell Communications Corporation today issued the following:

Below is the text of a correction by Barclays de Zoete Wedd Research appearing in their circular "Morning Headlines" of today's date the contents of which are self explanatory.

"We wish to apologize for the incorrect statement published by us on 4th October that the proposed disposals by Maxwell Communications would 'weaken the group's earnings prospects.' Subsequent examination has indicated that taking into account the earnings downturn at Donohue Inc. and the earnings-enhancing nature of the P.F. Collier disposal, the transactions should increase attributable profits in the current year to March 1991."

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CHERRY HILL, N.J. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Commerce Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: COBA) today reported net income of $1,012,000 or 16 cents per share for the third quarter and net income of $4,307,000 or 81 cents per share for the first nine months of 1990.

These results compare to net income of $1,628,000 or 44 cents per share (fully diluted) for the third quarter of 1989 and net income of $4,753,000 of $1.27 per share (fully diluted) for the first nine months of 1989. Net income per share of common stock for the third quarter of 1990 and for the first nine months of 1990 was impacted by the issuance of 950,000 shares of common stock via a public offering in November 1989 and by the issuance of 417,000 shares of Series C ESOP Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock in January 1990.

Vernon W. Hill II, chairman of the multi-bank holding company based here, attributed the decline in net income to increased loan loss provisions prompted by an increase in non-performing assets resulting from the continued softness in the real estate market and a further slowing of the region's economy. The provision for loan losses for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 were $1,245,000 and $2,338,000, respectively, compared to $270,000 and $945,000, respectively, for the same 1989 periods. The increase

in the loan loss provision was a prudent measure in the face of the slowing regional economy and an increase in non-performing assets, Hill stated, and reflects Commerce's commitment to recognize and deal with credit problems as they arise. However, conditions in the company's primary lending areas have continued to decline during the third quarter and its quarterly loan portfolio review caused it to change its expectations.

Hill said Commerce's growth trend continues with total assets exceeding $884 million, up from $741 million a year ago, a 19 percent increase. Total deposits increased to $816 million, a $134 million increase, or 20 percent over 1989 deposits of $682 million.

Although the third quarter was marked by continued softness in the real estate market and a further slowing of the region's economy, Hill said loan and asset quality remains favorable by current industry standards. Non-performing loans (i.e., non-accrual loans and restructured loans) at Sept. 30, 1990, were $11,698,000 or 2.10 percent of total loans, compared to $3,842,000, or .74 percent at Dec. 31, 1989, and $4,412,000, or .90 percent at Sept. 30, 1989. Loans past due 90 days or more were $1,102,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, vs. $443,000 and $367,000 at Dec. 31, 1989, and Sept. 30, 1989, respectively. Non-performing assets (i.e., non-performing loans and assets acquired in foreclosure) at Sept. 30, 1990, were $14,551,000 compared to $4,164,000 at Dec. 31, 1989, and $4,597,000 at Sept. 30, 1989. Non-performing assets and loans past due 90 days or more represented 1.77 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, vs. 0.58 percent and 0.67 percent at Dec. 31, 1989, and Sept. 30, 1989, respectively.

Shareholders' equity as a percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, was 6.36 percent and primary capital as a percent of total assets was 6.86 percent. The company's risk-based capital ratios, Tier 1 and Tier 2, were 8.12 percent and 8.88 percent, respectively, both well above regulatory prescribed guidelines.

Hill also announced that the company's board of directors declared its regular quarterly cash dividend of $.225 per share of common stock, payable Nov. 9, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 30.

Hill further stated that Commerce continues to be financially sound and that its sound financial and organizational resources will continue to serve it well as it continues to expand its primary business by delivering highly personalized banking services to its markets.

Commerce Bancorp Inc. is a multi-bank holding company headquartered in Cherry Hill, with 26 banking offices. Its three bank subsidiaries are Commerce Bank, N.A., Cherry Hill; Commerce Bank/Pennsylvania, N.A., Philadelphia; and Commerce Bank/Shore, N.A., Forked River, N.J.

COMMERCE BANCORP INC.

Selected Consolidated Financial Data
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended Sept. 30	Three months 1989	1990	Pct. Change	Nine months 1989	1990	Pct. Change
Income statement data: Net interest income	$8,215	$9,107	11	$23,871	$26,784	12
Provision for loan losses	270	1,245	361	945	2,338	147
Net income	1,628	1,012	(38)	4,753	4,307	(9)
Per-share data: Net income -- primary	$.46	$.16	(65)	$1.35	$.81	(40)
Net income -- fully diluted(A)	.44	--	--	1.27	--	--
Book value -- fully diluted	--	--	--	$11.32	$11.00	(3)
Weighted average shares outstanding:						
Primary	--	--	--	2,959,710	3,904,309	32
Fully diluted(A)	--	--	--	3,741,107	--	--
Balance sheet data:						
Total assets	--	--	--	$741,356	$884,656	19
Loans (net)	--	--	--	487,059	551,202	13
Allowance for loan losses	--	--	--	3,732	4,737	27
Investments	--	--	--	140,494	187,464	33
Federal funds sold	--	--	--	12,700	37,800	198
Total deposits	--	--	--	681,899	816,121	20
Long-term debt	--	--	--	9,100	7,500	(18)
Shareholders' equity	--	--	--	42,355	56,297	33
Capital: Shareholders' equity to total assets (pct.)	--	--	--	5.71	6.36	--
Primary capital (pct.)	--	--	--	6.19	6.86	--
Risk-based capital ratios:						
Tier 1 (pct.)	--	--	--	9.65	8.12	--
Tier 2 (pct.)	--	--	--	10.40	8.88	--

(A) Fully diluted earnings per share for three months and nine months ended September 1990 are not shown because the results are anti-dilutive.

Credit (Asset Quality):

Non-performing assets
(Dollar amounts in thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	Sept. 30, 1989
Non-accrual loans	$11,388	$3,463	$3,581
Restructured loans	310	379	831
Total non-performing loans	11,698	3,842	4,412
Assets acquired in foreclosure	2,853	322	185
Total non-performing assets	14,551	4,164	4,597
Total non-performing loans as a percentage of total period-end loans (pct.)	2.10	0.74	0.90
Total non-performing assets as a percentage of total period-end loans and assets acquired in foreclosure (pct.)	2.60	0.81	0.94
Total non-performing assets as a percentage of total period-end assets (pct.)	1.64	0.53	0.62
Allowance for loan losses as a percentage of total non-performing loans (pct.)	40	99	85
Loans past due 90 days or more	$1,102	$443	$367
Total non-performing assets and loans past due as a percentage of total period-end loans and assets acquired in foreclosure (pct.)	2.80	0.89	1.01
Total non-performing assets and loans past due 90 days or more as a percentage of total period-end assets (pct.)	1.77	0.58	0.67

CONTACT: Vernon W. Hill II, chairman and president, or C. Edward Jordan Jr., executive vp, of Commerce Bancorp, 609-751-9000

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MIDLOTHIAN, TEXAS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Chaparral Steel Co. (NYSE: CSM) today declared a cash dividend of 5 cents per common share, payable Nov. 30, 1990 to holders of record Nov. 2, 1990.

Chaparral Steel is a manufacturer of steel products which are shipped throughout North America and to points in Europe and Asia.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Savin Corporation (NYSE: SVB) today announced that approximately 750,000 shares of its common stock will be issued as the dividend on Savin's $1.50 cumulative convertible Series A preferred stock. Record date for these dividends is Oct. 26, 1990; payment date is Nov. 1, 1990. The dividend shares to be issued were calculated using the average market price for the common stock during the ten consecutive trading days ending Oct. 10, 1990 ($.1328). Each recordholder will receive 2.82 dividend shares of common stock for each share of Series A preferred stock. Fractional shares will be rounded to the nearest whole share.

Savin Corporation, founded in 1959, distributes a full line of office copiers and facsimile products through a North American network of eleven company-owned branches and over 380 dealers at more than 500 selling and servicing locations. Savin is also a non-exclusive distributor of a full-color copier: the PrismTMI. Savin is the only distributor of copier products in North America offering the customer a choice of toner technologies.

CONTACT: Alexandra Raine of Savin, 203-967-5193 or 203-967-5500

-30- 1351

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NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - American Health Services Corp. (NASDAQ: AHTS), one of the nation's largest operators of fixed site magnetic resonance imaging centers "will open eight to 10 new centers in 1991, reducing somewhat the aggressive new center opening program which in the last 14 months resulted in the opening of 19 centers," E. Larry Atkins, recently elected president, told security analysts today. "The moderation of growth through the opening of fewer new centers will permit us to consolidate the impressive gains of the past year and to concentrate on further improving profit margins at our existing centers," he said.

"As a result of this decision," Atkins told analysts, "American Health Services in the third quarter ended Sept. 30 will take one-time write-downs related to severance arrangements and the termination of certain projects which no longer meet our strategic goals. These write- downs, estimated at about $2.5 million, will create a third-quarter loss, despite the fact that center operating profits will be at record levels. We do not expect these write-downs to have a material adverse effect on planned cash flow. With 37 centers in operation and three to open around year-end, this balanced growth program will enable us to focus on center profitability and to maintain a leadership position in what we believe is the most profitable segment of the imaging industry," he said.

Last year American Health earned $910,145, or $.10 per share, on $25.1 million in revenues. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, earnings rose 47 percent to $771,152, or $.06 per share, on a 30 percent increase in revenues to $15.5 million.

CONTACT: Clarke Underwood, vice president and CFO of American Health Services, 714-476-0733

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STURBRIDGE, MASS. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - SpecTran Corporation (NASDAQ: SPTR) today announced that the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit has dismissed all appeals of the District Court's judgment approving the settlement of the class action suit that had been filed against various defendants, including the company, in October 1986. The settlement is now final.

Raymond E. Jaeger, president and chief executive officer of the company, stated: "We are pleased that this meritless appeal has been dismissed. With this unwarranted litigation behind us, management can now focus all of its efforts on continued corporate growth."

CONTACT: Bruce Cannon of SpecTran, 508-347-2261

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MIAMI (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Capital Bancorp today reported third-quarter 1990 consolidated net income of $1.4 million, or $.32 per share, compared with $2.3 million, or $.51 per share, for the third quarter of 1989. Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $2.0 million, or $.44 per share, compared with $6.6 million or $1.46 per share, during the first nine months of 1989.

Consolidated figures include the results of Capital Bank, Capital Factors, Inc. and Capital Trading Group, Inc.

The holding company attributed the decline in earnings primarily to losses incurred by Capital Trading Group, Inc., continued pressures on the net interest margin and a decline in the level of letter of credit fee income at Capital Bank.

At Sept. 30, 1990, Capital Bancorp's total assets were $1.1 billion compared with $938 million a year ago, and deposits rose to $811 million from $718 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Net loans increased to $608 million from $574 million a year earlier. Stockholders' equity rose to $61.9 million from $61.2 million.

Effective September 1990, bank regulations were revised to require computation of a "leverage" ratio to replace the primary capital ratio. A minimum ratio of 3 percent is required for well-run financial institutions. At Sept. 30,

1990, Capital Bank's leverage ratio stood at 6.43 percent and Capital Bancorp's leverage ratio was 5.80 percent.

Capital Bancorp, a Florida bank holding company, is the parent of Capital Bank which has 26 South Florida offices and a factoring subsidiary, Capital Factors, Inc. Capital Bancorp is affiliated with $279 million-asset Capital Bank of California based in Los Angeles and $92 million-asset Capital Bank, N.A. based in Washington.

CONTACT: Tim Harris, senior vice president/controller of Capital Bancorp

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Provident Bankshares Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: PBKS) today announced third quarter net income of $1 million, or $.17 per share, which represents a 5 percent increase over the $956,000, or $.16 per share, earned for the same quarter last year.

Third quarter '90 earnings grew due to a 26 percent increase in non- interest income over third quarter '89.

Net interest income remained flat compared with last year while non- interest expenses increased by 3 percent. The third quarter's earnings reduced Provident's net loss for the nine months of 1990 to $4.9 million or $.82 per share.

Non-performing assets and past-due loans, principally real estate related, were $30.2 million or 3.58 percent of total outstanding loans as of Sept. 30, 1990, up from the amount reported a year ago but 9 percent below the amount reported at the end of the second quarter 1990. The reserve for loan losses was 1.63 percent of total loans as of Sept. 30, 1990, compared with 1.31 percent as of Sept. 30, 1989.

Total deposits at Sept. 30, 1990, were $1.12 billion, compared with $1.11 billion at Sept. 30 last year. Loans (net of unearned income) declined by 5 percent to $846 million at the end of the third quarter this year. Assets increased 17 percent to $1.5 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, up from the $1.3 billion reported a year ago.

Provident's total capital at the end of the third quarter of 1990 totaled $109 million, and the primary capital-to-assets ratio stood at 8.2 percent. The book value of the corporation was $18.19 per share of common stock outstanding as of Sept. 30, 1990.

In August, the board of directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.10 per share which was payable Sept. 30 to stockholders of record as of

Sept. 15, 1990.

Provident Bankshares Corp., established in 1987, is parent of the 104-year-old Provident Bank of Maryland, a full-service commercial bank which provides consumer and commercial banking services through a 38- branch network in the Baltimore metropolitan area.

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Mark Twain Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: MTWN) reported today third quarter earnings of $4.093 million, a 5.3 percent increase over third quarter 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share were 50 cents, a 6.4 percent increase from third quarter 1989. Return on average assets for the quarter was .81 percent. Return on common equity was 14.62 percent.

"The earnings stream at Mark Twain has accelerated each quarter of 1990, even though the number of uncertainties in the economy and in the banking industry has also increased," said John Dubinsky, Mark Twain president and chief executive officer.

Third quarter earnings of about $4.1 million followed second quarter earnings of $3.8 million and first quarter earnings of $3.1 million. "We are pleased with our solid performance and increasing momentum in light of the current turbulence," Dubinsky said.

Earnings for the first nine months were $11.025 million compared to $11.610 million in the first nine months of 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share were $1.34 compared to $1.41 in 1989.

"Mark Twain's earnings have been impacted this year by a lower net interest margin spurred by competition for deposits, but that trend has recently shown signs of easing," Dubinsky said.

Mark Twain reported an increase in net interest margin during each month of the third quarter concluding with a rate of 4.40 percent in September. This trend brought third quarter margin to 4.29 percent, up slightly from 4.27 percent in the second quarter.

Dubinsky said that other areas of income that are not affected by net interest margin have experienced excellent growth. Non-interest income surged 30.1 percent from third quarter 1989. Mark Twain's primary fee groups, led by the Bond Department, which ran 87.6 percent ahead of third quarter last year,

generated $4.67 million in revenues and were 41.1 percent ahead of third quarter last year.

"If margin continues to improve and non-interest income maintains its strength 1990 should be a good year for Mark Twain considering current business conditions," Dubinsky said.

Mark Twain's balance sheet categories continued strong growth trends in the third quarter. Total assets of $2.1 billion were up 10.4 percent from third quarter end 1989. Deposits of $1.8 billion increased 9.2 percent. Total loans of $1.5 billion grew 9.5 percent for a double-digit annualized growth rate.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Georgia-Pacific Corp. (NYSE: GP) today reported earnings per share of $1.11 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared with $2.03 per share in the 1989 third quarter. The company reported third quarter net income of $95 million vs. $178 million in 1989.

For the nine-month period, earnings per share were $3.54 in 1990 vs. $5.58 in 1989, and net income for the nine months was $303 million compared with $504 million a year ago.

The company's operating cash flow for the quarter was positively impacted by a reduction of working capital, which offset higher interest payments resulting from the acquisition of Great Northern Nekoosa Corp. Cash flow from operations was approximately $440 million in the 1990 third quarter compared with $381 million a year ago. Sales increased because of the acquisition to $3.4 billion, up from $2.6 billion in the 1989 period.

Pulp and paper operating profits for the quarter were $279 million compared with $236 million a year ago. "Prices are weaker in the market pulp and containerboard businesses, but demand and pricing for tissue and communication papers remain strong," said T. Marshall Hahn Jr., Georgia-Pacific chairman and chief executive officer.

Building products operating profits for the quarter were $111 million vs. a record $162 million last year. "The company's building products business experienced sharply lower prices, particularly in plywood, which decreased approximately 15 percent from third quarter 1989 prices. With housing starts at their lowest level since 1982, demand for wood products also is down. Although new housing remains a major market for our building products, the company's markets have changed during the 1980s. These changes have positively affected our ability to be competitive and profitable today. Our

continued profitability is due, in part, to increased demand over the past several years in the remodeling and repair market, our decreased dependence on new housing starts, capacity reductions in the Northwest because of a diminishing supply of public timber and continued progress in cost reduction," Hahn concluded.

CONTACT: Sheila Weidman, 404-521-4732, or Terry Hadaway, 404-521-4703, both of Georgia-Pacific

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PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Bond Brewing Holdings Limited (BBH) (in the process of changing its name to National Brewing Holdings Limited) today announced that the tender offer by BBH's wholly owned subsidiary, Dimola Pty. Ltd. (Dimola), for all 12-5/8 percent extendible subordinated debentures of BBH expired at 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Tuesday, Oct. 16, 1990.

Pursuant to the tender offer, Dimola accepted for purchase an aggregate of US$502,397,000 of the BBH debentures, constituting approximately 98.5 percent in principal amount outstanding of such debentures.

CONTACT: James Rawlings of Bond Brewing Holdings, (212) 223-4202.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - United Investors Management Company (NYSE: UTD) reported today that net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $46.7 million, or $1.23 per share, an increase of 16 percent over the $40.3 million, or $1.07 per share reported for the first nine months of 1989. On a year-to-date basis, realized investment gains and losses did not affect earnings per share.

R.K. Richey, Chairman, stated that net income for the third quarter of 1990 was relatively flat at $15.8 million, or $.42 per share, compared to $.41 for the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings for the quarter were affected by a decrease in assets under management resulting from the decline in the market and by a realized investment loss of $459,000 during the quarter compared to a realized investment gain of $269,000 during the third quarter of 1989. Excluding realized investment gains and losses, net income per share for the quarter was $.43, up 7 percent from $.40 in 1989.

Total revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $191.1 million, a nine percent increase over the comparable period of 1989. Financial services

revenue increased three percent to $84.0 million; premium income grew four percent to $41.8 million; net investment income increased 24 percent to $39.8 million; and revenue from energy operations increased 21 percent to $25.5 million.

At September 30, 1990, United Investors Management Company's total assets were $943 million and total shareholders' equity was $379 million. Return on equity increased to 17.5 percent. Life insurance in force totaled $14.1 billion, and assets under management decreased to $7.9 billion as a result of the market decline.

CONTACT: William T. Graves of United Investors Management Co., (205) 325-4251.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Fingerhut Companies, Inc. (NYSE: FHT) announced third quarter 1990 net earnings of $7.6 million or $.31 per share, a $1.4 million increase over third quarter 1989 earnings of $6.2 million. Net revenues for third quarter of 1990 were $279 million, compared with $258 million for the same for period in 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, total net revenues were $764 million, compared with net revenues of $721 million for the same period of 1989 and net earnings were $24.0 million or $.98 per share in 1990, compared with 1989 nine month period net earnings of $15.0 million, an increase of 60 percent.

Ted Deikel, Fingerhut's chairman and CEO, stated, "Our results for the third quarter of 1990 are in line with our expectations. The improved earnings in 1990 as compared to 1989 reflect stronger response from our customers, improved product margins, and operating efficiencies from changes implemented earlier this year."

During the balance of 1990 Fingerhut will continue to invest in systems, customer service programs and new customer acquisition strategies which will position the company for growth in 1991. "In spite of these investments and the relative weakness of the retail sector, we continue to be comfortable with analysts' year end forecasts of $1.85 to $1.95 per share," said Deikel.

The company also announced that it has declared a quarterly cash dividend in the amount of $.08 per share, payable on Nov. 19, 1990, to the shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 29, 1990.

Fingerhut is the fourth largest direct mail marketer of consumer products sold in the United States. The company markets general merchandise and specialty food gifts through catalogs and direct mail to its list of approximately nine million active customers. The company employs approximately 7,000 people in seven locations in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

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BIRMINGHAM, ALA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Torchmark Corp. (NYSE: TMK) reported today that net income per share, excluding realized investment gains, for the nine months ended Sept. 30 was $3.30, up 15 percent from $2.86 for the same period in 1989.

Realized investment gains for the first three quarters of 1990 and 1989 were $.09 and $.08 per share respectively. For the third quarter of 1990 net income per share, excluding realized investment gains, was $1.12, a 13 percent increase over the $.99 earned in the third quarter of last year. Realized investment gains for the third quarter were $.03 per share in 1990 and in 1989.

R.K. Richey, chairman and CEO, stated that net income for the nine month period increased 14 percent from $160 million in 1989 to $182 million in 1990. Net income for the third quarter grew 11 percent from $54.9 million in 1989 to $61.1 million in 1990.

Total revenues for the first nine months were $1.3 billion, a 9 percent increase over the same period last year. Individual health premium rose to $552 million, a 9 percent increase. Individual life premium and policy charges grew 12 percent to $361 million. Net investment income increased 13 percent to $257 million. Financial services revenue reached $83.5 million, a 4 percent increase over the first nine months of 1990.

Torchmark's assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $5.5 billion. Shareholders' equity was $930 million; common shareholders' equity was $16.31 per share. Return on average common equity was 28.2 percent for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

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MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Radisson Hotels International today announced that 16 hotel and tourism executives and senior management officials from existing hotels in the Soviet Union will visit Minneapolis/St. Paul for advanced training in Radisson's "Yes I Can" hospitality service program.

The training program taking place Oct. 16 to Oct. 30, is a result of Radisson's plans to open the first American-managed hotel in the Soviet Union early next year. Radisson signed a joint venture agreement with Intourist, the Soviet Ministry of Foreign Travel this past spring to develop and manage

this historic hotel and business center complex in Moscow.

The Soviet managers and tourism officials are employed at several different hotels in Moscow, Leningrad, Riga, and Vilnius. The executives will have a chance to observe and participate in day-to-day operations at the Radisson Hotel St. Paul in order to learn American hotel management methods.

The Soviet delegation will be guests at the Radisson Hotel St. Paul during their stay. They will also tour and study various other hospitality operations of Carlson Companies, Inc., including Country Lodging by Carlson(SM), T.G.I Friday's restaurants and Country Kitchen(R) restaurants in the Twin Cities.

"We are pleased to sponsor this important international business exchange because of our special relationship with the Soviet Union," said Juergen Bartels, president of the Carlson Hospitality Group, Inc. parent company of Radisson Hotels International, Colony Hotels & Resorts, Country Lodging By Carlson(SM), T.G.I. Friday's restaurants and Country Kitchen(R) restaurants.

"We will be exporting our "Yes I Can" training program to the Soviet Union and will implement our standards for excellent guest service within the Radisson Slavjanskaya Hotel which will open in Moscow in early 1991," said Bartels.

The Soviet hotel managers will participate in day-to-day activities at the Radisson Hotel St. Paul including: front office management, housekeeping activities, and food and beverage operations. The group will also tour the Minnesota Grocer's Association trade show and tour attractions throughout the Twin Cities.

Other training components will include an overview of engineering, security and safety issues; presentations on guest travel/hotel expectations; and programs on effective hotel marketing. A hotel simulation exercise will also be presented by members from the San Francisco State University U.S.-Soviet Business Institute.

Radisson Hotels International is one of America's leading upscale hotel companies with more than 250 locations worldwide. The chain is part of the $6.2 billion Carlson Companies, Inc., one of America's largest privately owned corporations. Other operations of Carlson Companies include the Carlson Travel Network and the Carlson Marketing Group. Worldwide headquarters are located in Minneapolis.

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-30- 3209

#90290p6301 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - At their annual meeting here today,

stockholders of Duff & Phelps Selected Utilities Inc., a closed end investment company that trades on the NYSE (DNP), approved an amendment to the fund's charter to change the name to Duff & Phelps Utilities Income Inc. The ticker symbol remains unchanged.

Management had found that many stockholders and members of the financial community mistakenly thought that the fund invested principally in utility equity securities, rather than in a diversified portfolio of equity and fixed income securities of companies in the public utilities industry.

The name change was proposed to more accurately reflect the fund's investment strategy and its principal investment objective of current income and long-term growth of income.

Stockholders also re-elected three directors -- Wallace B. Behnke, aged 64, a consulting engineer; Gordon B. Davidson, 64, CEO of a Louisville, Kentucky, law firm; and chairman Claire V. Hansen, 65, senior adviser to the board of Duff & Phelps Inc. -- and ratified the selection of Arthur Andersen & Co. as the fund's independent public accountants.

Common stock dividends of six cents per share, payable Nov. 12 and Dec. 10 to shareholders of record Oct. 31 and Nov. 30 respectively, were declared.

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-30- 1537

#90290p6302 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - La Quinta Motor Inns Inc. (NYSE: LQM) reported improved operating profits for both the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 1990. The company reported earnings before property and investment transactions of $5,073,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, an improvement of $543,000 or 12 percent over last year's third quarter. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 earnings before property and investment transactions were $8,063,000, an improvement of $2,993,000 or 59 percent over last year's comparable nine month period. Revenues improved 7.3 percent and 11.4 percent in the three and nine month periods, respectively.

Chairman and President Sam Barshop stated, "We are pleased with the continued improvement in operating results which we believe has resulted from the long-term investments we have made in the company. We continue to take advantage of opportunities to enhance shareholder value. During the quarter, we announced a new franchise arrangement with an investor group to develop La Quinta Inns in two states in Mexico. We believe this program represents a natural growth opportunity for the company. Additionally, we continue to pursue acquisition opportunities within our new development venture, La Quinta Development Partners, L.P. The venture acquired two competitor properties during the third quarter and currently has eight properties (in excess of

1,000 rooms) under contract. We anticipate closing on up to four of the eight properties by the end of the year."

La Quinta Motor Inns Inc. develops, owns and operates or licenses limited services lodging facilities. At Sept. 30, 1990, La Quinta operated 208 inns in 29 states.

Selected Financial Data

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Earnings before property and investment transactions (000's)	$ 5,073	4,530	8,063	5,070
Revenues (000's)	63,118	58,835	175,606	157,615
Operating income (000's)	15,435	14,857	39,974	34,849
Net earnings (000's)	3,161	4,489	5,070	6,977
Earnings per share	.24	.34	.39	.53
Percentage of occupancy	71.2	72.0	68.4	67.5
Average room rate	42.05	39.67	41.03	38.79

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#90290p6311 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

JASPER, ALA. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Citizens Independent Bancorp (Huntsville Ala.) and First Commercial Bancshares Inc. (Jasper, Ala.) (NASDAQ: FSCB), jointly announced today that they have signed a definitive merger agreement dated as of Oct. 15 under the terms of which the shareholders of Citizens Independent Bancorp will receive .9 shares of First Commercial common stock for each Citizens Independent Bancorp share they own.

As of Sept. 30, Citizens Independent Bancorp and First Commercial Bancshares Inc. had 660,952 and 3,707,813 shares of common stock outstanding, respectively. The transaction is subject to the receipt of all necessary regulatory approvals and approval by Citizens Independent Bancorp shareholders.

At Sept. 30, First Commercial Bancshares Inc. had assets totaling $745.8 million. First Commercial Bancshares Inc. has four banking subsidiaries: First National Bank of Jasper (Jasper), First Commercial Bank (Birmingham), The Bank of Tuscaloosa (Tuscaloosa), and Sterling Bank (Montgomery). Citizens Independent Bancorp is a one bank holding company doing business primarily in Huntsville, Ala. with total assets of $56.7 million as of Sept. 30.

CONTACT: Robert M. Couch of First Commercial Bancshares, 205-868-4816

-30- 1446

#90290p6312 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - A record level of net interest income and continued improvement in pretax income and core operating results from banking and mortgage banking activities highlighted the financial results reported today by Metropolitan Financial Corporation (NYSE: MFC), Minneapolis.

Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $6,135,000, or $0.73 per share on a primary basis and $0.64 per share fully diluted, compared to $7,176,000, or $0.91 per share on a primary basis and $0.82 per share fully diluted, for the comparable period in 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $16,607,000, or $1.94 per share on a primary basis and $1.74 per share fully diluted, compared to $16,954,000, or $2.31 per share on a primary basis and $2.20 per share fully diluted, through the first three quarters of 1989.

Through the first nine months of this year, income before income taxes and the cumulative effect of an accounting change was $15,765,000, and 88 percent increase over the $8,385,000 reported through the first three quarters of 1989. For the quarter, income before income taxes was up by $1,066,000, or 21 percent, over the same quarter a year ago.

Norman M. Jones, chairman and chief executive officer of the regional financial services holding company, commented, "For the third consecutive quarter we have seen improvement in the core operations of the savings bank and the mortgage banking company compared to the results reported one year ago. Net interest income before the provision for credit losses was $17,956,000, a record for the third quarter, compared to $15,364,000 for the same period in 1989 and, year to date, net interest income totaled $53,342,000 compared to $50,046,000 for the first nine months of 1989."

Noninterest income for the quarter was $16,292,000, compared to $18,492,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Jones noted that the decline was attributable to two factors. The company recorded less gain on sale of assets in the most recent quarter than it did one year ago, $2,710,000 compared to $3,317,000, and real estate sales commissions were down $1,588,000 to $7,269,000, compared to the $8,857,000 reported for the third quarter of 1989. Year to date, real estate sales commissions were $20,286,000 compared to $21,611,000 in 1989.

Metropolitan Financial Corporation's other major subsidiaries are Metropolitan Financial Mortgage Corporation, St. Paul, Minn., the largest originator of residential mortgage loans in the Twin Cities, and Edina Realty, Minnesota's largest home seller. At Sept. 30, 1990, Metropolitan Financial Corporation's total assets were nearly $4.2 billion. The company's common and preferred stock trade on the New York Stock Exchange, the common under the symbol MFC.

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-30- 3113

#90290p6315 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Baltimore Bancorp (NYSE: BBB), the parent company of the Bank of Baltimore, today reported net income for the third quarter of 1990 of $5,021,000, slightly higher than the $5,019,000 net income for the third quarter of 1989.

For both the third quarter of 1990 and 1989, net income was $.39 per share.

For the first nine months, net income was $15,540,000 in 1990 ($1.21 per share) compared to $15,720,000 in 1989 ($1.21 per share), a slight decrease.

Harry L. Robinson, chief executive officer, commented that major contributors to 1990 earnings performance were gains in net interest margins, significant growth in other operating income from fees and mortgage banking operations and continued low levels of net credit losses. Lower amounts of investment gains in the quarter compared to the prior year were offset by gains recorded in extinguishment of debt.

Consolidated total loans increased 2.9 percent to $2,265,803,000 and core deposits 6.2 percent to $2,094,518,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to Sept. 30 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, non-performing loans were .81 percent of total loans compared to .65 at Sept. 30, 1989. Net charge offs on an annualized basis were .23 percent of average loans versus .19 percent in the third quarter of 1989. The allowance for loan losses was .86 percent of loans increased from .76 percent at the end of the third quarter of 1989.

The corporation's equity capital ended the period at $244,934,000 or 7.04 percent of total assets.

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#90290p6320 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Caesars World Inc. (NYSE: CAW) today announced it is extending its pending tender offer for any and all of the 2,175,945 shares of Caesars New Jersey Inc. (AMEX: CJN) it does not already own. Caesars World holds approximately 86.6 percent of Caesars New Jersey's 16,261,531 outstanding shares.

The $22-per-share tender offer, which was scheduled to expire on Oct. 17, 1990 will now expire at 12 midnight (New York time) on Nov. 19, 1990, unless further extended.

As previously announced, Caesars World has agreed to a settlement of the lawsuits brought by certain Caesars New Jersey shareholders in connection with the tender offer. The settlement continues to be subject to final court approval. Caesars World said it currently expects definitive papers regarding the settlement to be filled with the court next week. The final court approval of the settlement is not expected to occur until December 1990 or later.

Under terms of the settlement, Caesars World previously amended the tender offer to provide for the payment of interest on the $22- per-share offer price. For those shares tendered, interest began accruing on Sept. 22, 1990, and is being computed at the 26-week Treasury Bill rate of 7.45 percent (approximately $0.0045 per day) in effect on Aug. 20, 1990.

Also under terms of the previously announced settlement, the company has agreed to make an additional cash payment of 25 cents per share to shareholders of Caesars New Jersey whose shares are purchased in the tender offer, payable at the time of final court approval of the settlement.

The company said the offer continues to be subject to all terms and conditions in the offering materials previously distributed to shareholders. Caesars World also has reserved all of its previously specified rights, including the right to terminate the offer, as described in such offering materials.

As of the close of business on Oct. 17, 1990, approximately 1,888,048 shares had been tendered pursuant to the offer.

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#90290p6326 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Shareholders of DeAnza Holding Corp. (DeAnza) approved the proposed acquisition of DeAnza by Citicorp (NYSE: CCI) at DeAnza's annual meeting of shareholders held on Oct. 15, 1990. The transaction is expected to be completed as soon as practicable after the California Interstate (National) Banking Act of 1986 becomes operative, which is scheduled to be Jan. 1, 1991.

DeAnza Holding Corp. is the holding company for DeAnza Bank, a state-chartered bank with offices in Sunnyvale and Santa Clara, Calif.

The proposed merger is subject to approval by bank regulators and satisfaction of all conditions to Closing of the Agreement and Plan of Acquisition dated as

of June 27, 1990.

DeAnza's common stock is traded on the over-the-counter market. The market makers are Batemen, Eichler, Hill Richards Inc. and Hoefer & Arnett Inc.

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-30- 1123

#90290p6332 10/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, Calif. (OCT. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Gradco Systems Inc.'s (NASDAQ: GRCO) Keith B. Stewart, founder and chairman, announced today that he will formally step down as chairman and will not nominate himself for one of the two board seats available to him. He stated his reason for not wanting to serve on the company's board of directors was that he felt the company had to return to normal as quickly as possible and it does not serve anybody's interest to operate a board which has to show up at board meetings with their respective lawyers because of the continuing litigation between the two groups.

"I find myself in a very interesting position," he went on to say. "When you are the founder of what became a successful public company, you tend to look at things philosophically. Growing a company from $4.7 million in 1982 to its high of $115 million in 1989 gives you a great deal of satisfaction. The last seven years as chief executive officer of a public company was rewarding, though under the watchful eyes of the shareholders who constantly demanded explanations and asked me to work miracles. I think I am going to enjoy reversing roles for a while. After all, I am the largest shareholder and it could be interesting being the watchdog for a change and asking for explanations and miracles.

"My future plans are uncertain. I will step back from G.S.I. and observe for a while before deciding whether to seek to regain control or renew efforts to acquire the company.

"The most important thing now is my fiduciary duties as chairman of Gradco Japan. The Japanese shareholders have demonstrated their confidence and have made a significant investment in Gradco Japan with the clear understanding that we are committed to build value there over the next two years. This is the most valuable asset and for the benefit of all of the shareholders, we must do everything to protect it and fulfill our commitment to them.

"The future of G.S.I. is now in the hands of others, but it is going to take a dedicated and cooperative effort to save this company and get it back on track. Now I can focus on only one major task, and that is to concentrate on building back to the value of Gradco stock through Gradco Japan."

Stewart also stated he is particularly distressed at the rate of exodus from the company and hope that some sense will prevail by all concerned.

Gradco is the world's leading independent supplier of sorter sheet feeders and other paper handling devices to the office automation market.

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-30- 2830

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(OCT. 17) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

WORLD SERIES

Game 2 - Oakland (Welch) at Cincinnati (Jackson), 8:32 p.m.

HOCKEY

Hartford at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
Montreal at Buffalo, 7:35 p.m.
Winnipeg at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.
Washington at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.
Minnesota at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.
Boston at Vancouver, 10:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Filderstadt, Germany - $350,000 women's Porsche Grand Prix
Grand Prix de Lyon, France - $500,000 men's tournament
Vienna - $250,000 men's indoor tournament

YACHTING

Argentina - Lechner Class World Championships.

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#90290u0085 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

CINCINNATI (OCT. 17) UPI - When Cincinnati Manager Lou Piniella asked Eric Davis to consider moving to the leadoff spot in the batting order for the World Series, the outfielder refused.

Davis obviously knows what's best for him. And Tuesday night in Game 1, batting cleanup was best for him and the upstart Reds.

Awakening from a post-season slump, Davis belted a towering two-run home run off seemingly untouchable Dave Stewart in the first inning, then added an RBI

single in a three-run fifth as Cincinnati rolled to a 7-0 rout of the Oakland Athletics.

''To come this far and be hitting fourth for five years and then all of a sudden be switched in my first World Series ... it wasn't a tough decision,'' said Davis, who has been bothered by a sore shoulder.

Davis batted a paltry .174 with one RBI in the National League playoffs, but homered off the first Series pitch he saw in his career.

''Lou made him a little upset when he wanted him to bat leadoff,'' said Billy Hatcher, who contributed to the Reds' cause by going 3 for 3 with three runs scored. ''After he hit that home run he was just saying to Lou, 'Leave me at fourth'''

Said Piniella with a smile: ''He'll bat in the four-spot tomorrow.''

While Davis supplied the power, Jose Rijo supplied effective power- pitching. The hard-throwing right-hander, showing none of the inconsistency that marked his three-year career in the Oakland organization, scattered seven hits in a seven-inning performance that would have made his Hall of Fame father-in-law Juan Marichal proud.

''I knew I had good stuff warming up,'' said Rijo. ''I knew I would have to be tough tonight and make better pitches, and I did.''

The victory, accomplished with surprising ease before 55,380 red-clad fans at Riverfront Stadium, snapped a 10-game postseason winning streak for the defending champion A's, who stranded 11 baserunners and went 0 for 8 with runners in scoring position.

Stewart, who entered with a 7-1 record and 1.99 ERA for his postseason career, lasted only four innings and 64 pitches. He walked four - as many as he he did in 32 innings during the 1989 Series and 1990 AL playoffs - two of which eventually scored.

''It was probably my worst performance in a long time,'' Stewart said. ''I'm surprised at my wildness. We haven't been beaten in the postseason in a long time. This might kick us and get us going.''

Said teammate Rickey Henderson: ''(Stewart) told us he couldn't get his pitches down. He practically asked to come out.''

Oakland, seeking to establish a dynasty, instead might be facing a label as one of history's great underachievers. The A's Tuesday night looked more like the club that was stunned by the Dodgers in 1988 rather that the overpowering outfit that swept the Giants last year.

The Reds, making their first Series appearance since 1976, can take a 2-0 lead Wednesday night when they send left-hander Danny Jackson against 27-game winner Bob Welch.

With both bullpens expected to dominate, each club thirsted for the early lead. The Reds needed just four batters to get it.

With one out in the first, Hatcher - a career .349 hitter in the postseason - walked, and one out later Davis cracked the first pitch he saw well beyond the center-field wall.

The drive soared at least 425 feet and made Davis the 22nd player to homer in his first at-bat in the World Series.

Stewart, the MVP in his last two postseason series, escaped a jam in the second when he walked two more, but a leadoff pass to Barry Larkin got him in trouble in the third.

Hatcher followed the walk with a double into the left-field corner, and Larkin raced home when shortstop Mike Gallego's relay sailed over the head of catcher Terry Steinbach. The error allowed Hatcher to continue to third, and he scored to make it 4-0 when Paul O'Neill grounded out.

Meanwhile, the A's - who had five days off before the Series as they did in 1988 - were failing in the clutch. Gallego fanned with runners on first and third to end the second, and Willie McGee and Mark McGwire each bounced out after Henderson, who had three hits, doubled with one out in the third.

After Stewart departed for a pinch hitter in the fifth, the Reds blew it open with three runs in the bottom of the inning. Hatcher again doubled to left, and after O'Neill walked, Davis singled for a 5-0 lead.

Hal Morris' groundout moved the runners to second and third, and they scored when Chris Sabo grounded a single up the middle.

Lansford got to third in the sixth with one out, but Willie Randolph and Gallego meekly popped out.

Rob Dibble and Randy Myers eached pitched an inning for Cincinnati.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	4	2	0	8	25	16
Philadelphia	4	2	0	8	25	17
New Jersey	3	2	1	7	24	23
Pittsburgh	3	3	0	6	25	25
NY Islanders	2	3	0	4	15	17
Washington	2	4	0	4	18	24

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	4	1	1	9	24	16
Hartford	3	2	2	8	23	22
Montreal	3	2	1	7	19	20
Quebec	2	2	3	7	23	27
Buffalo	0	3	2	2	17	21

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	4	3	0	8	22	17
Detroit	3	2	2	8	25	28
St. Louis	3	3	0	6	15	20
Minnesota	1	4	1	3	15	23
Toronto	0	4	1	1	12	25

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	4	1	1	9	29	16
Calgary	4	2	0	8	22	18
Vancouver	3	2	0	6	19	16
Edmonton	1	2	2	4	17	20
Winnipeg	1	5	1	3	20	23

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(OCT. 17) UPI - WORLD SERIES BOX SCORE - GAME 1:

OAKLAND

	ab	r	h	bi
RHendrsn lf	5	0	3	0
McGee cf	5	0	1	0
Canseco rf	2	0	0	0
McGwire 1b	3	0	0	0
Lansford 3b	4	0	2	0
Steinbach c	4	0	1	0
Randolph 2b	4	0	1	0
Gallego ss	4	0	0	0
Stewart p	1	0	0	0

CINCINNATI

	ab	r	h	bi
Larkin ss	4	1	0	0
Hatcher cf	3	3	3	1
O'Neill rf	2	1	0	1
Davis lf	4	2	2	3
Morris 1b	4	0	1	0
Sabo 3b	3	0	1	2
Oliver c	4	0	1	0
Duncan 2b	3	0	1	0
Rijo p	3	0	1	0

Jennings ph	1	0	1	0	Dibble p	0	0	0	0
Burns p	0	0	0	0	Benzinger ph	1	0	0	0
Nelson p	0	0	0	0	Myers p	0	0	0	0
Hassey ph	1	0	0	0					
Sanderson p	0	0	0	0					
Eckersley p	0	0	0	0					
DHendrsn ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	35	0	9	0	Totals	31	7	10	7

Oakland	000	000	000--0
Cincinnati	202	030	00x--7

E-Gallego. DP-Oakland 2, Cincinnati 1. LOB-Oakland 11, Cincinnati 6. 2B-R. Henderson 2, Hatcher 2. HR-Davis (1). SB- McGee 1, Lansford 1. CS-Sabo.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Stewart (L 0-1)	4	3	4	4	4	3
Burns	2-3	4	3	3	1	0
Nelson	1 1-3	2	0	0	1	0
Sanderson	1	1	0	0	0	0
Eckersley	1	0	0	0	0	1
Cincinnati						
Rijo (W 1-0)	7	7	0	0	2	5
Dibble	1	1	0	0	1	0
Myers	1	1	0	0	0	2

Wp-Dibble.

Umpires: Home, Pulli; 1b, Roe; 2b, Quick; 3b, Hendry; Lf, Marsh; Rf, Barnett.

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#90290u0119 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - The Senate, defying threats of a presidential veto, passed civil rights legislation providing safeguards against discrimination in the workplace.

The Senate approved the Democratic-backed measure by a 62-34 vote Tuesday night after beating back a Republican effort to scuttle the plan.

Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas sought to send the bill back to Senate-House negotiators with orders to return a Republican alternative that Democrats argued would not have barred discrimination in employment.

The Senate defeated the motion.

''This is a bill that defines the kind of country we want America to be,'' Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., said. ''If we tolerate discrimination, we'll have a lesser country and America will not be America. Crying quotas is the last resort of opponents of civil rights and that charge won't stick because it isn't true. This is not a quota bill. It is an anti-discrimination bill.''

The legislation would reverse or modify six Supreme Court decisions handed down in 1988-89 and four other decisions that date to 1985 that involve awards and lawyer fees in job discrimination cases.

The measure also expands the historic 1964 Civil Rights Act by allowing victims of intentional discrimination to recover compensatory damages and in the most severe cases punitive damages.

In a letter to Dole, President Bush said he was convinced the bill passed by the Senate ''will have the effect of forcing businesses to adopt quotas in hiring and promotion.''

''It will also foster divisiveness and litigation rather than conciliation and do more to promote legal fees than civil rights,'' Bush said. ''If this bill is presented to me, I will be compelled to veto it.''

Bush said the more narrow Republican alternative ''represents a sound, practical compromise, and I will sign such a bill if it is presented to me.''

The White House and Attorney General Dick Thornburgh have said the bill would be vetoed despite intense negotiations and efforts by sponsors of the measure to meet administration and business fears that it would lead to quotas in hiring and promotions.

Several senators said Bush would like to sign the bill, but is being pressured by Thornburgh and top White House aides to veto the measure.

Kennedy, who said supporters have ''repeatedly modified this legislation in an attempt to meet the concerns of the administration,'' predicted there is ''a good chance'' Congress would override a Bush veto. The House is expected to consider the measure Wednesday.

''This legislation explicitly rules out quotas, explicitly instructs the courts that no quota-style employment action is required or condoned in law,'' Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine said. ''It is, therefore, difficult to understand the source of the president's concern about the bill.''

The original bills were passed by the Senate 65-34 and by the House 272-154, both short of the needed two-thirds majority to override a veto.

Since, Senate-House negotiators have made major changes in the bill in a futile effort to meet administration objections.

The compromise bill expressly provides that nothing in the legislation should be interpreted to even ''encourage'' adoption of quotas; declares that statistical imbalance in the workforce does not by itself constitute discrimination; and limits punitive damages to $150, 000 or the amount of compensatory damages, whichever is greater.

Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, another major supporter of the bill, said negotiators failed to reach a consensus because White House officials ''want to kill the bill. The president is being badly advised by some closest to him.''

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said he would have been willing to accept the compromise - despite personal misgivings - if the administration backed it.

''We failed. We couldn't put it together,'' Hatch said, adding that Bush has so much concern with the compromise that he will veto the bill.

Hatch charged that the bill would force business to ''make every employment decisions with an eye on the numbers'' and said the legislation is a ''significant and irresistible step toward quotas.''

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(OCT. 17) UPI - The House called the bluff of President Bush Tuesday and passed the largest deficit-reduction package in U-S history. The plan includes an amendment to raise the tax rate on higher incomes and to increase so-called ''sin'' taxes while easing cuts in Medicare. But President Bush specifically cites that amendment in saying he'll veto the package. He says he woN'T balance the budget- in his words- ''on the backs of working Americans.''

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Bush also faced opposition in the Senate, where Democrats passed a new civil-rights bill. That puts the president in a ticklish position with elections around the corner. Senator Edward Kennedy says the bill ''defines the kind of country we want America to be.'' The president counters by saying it will ''do more to promote legal fees than civil rights.''

Protestant paramilitary groups and the Irish Republican Army are in a spiraling series of tit-for-tat shootings. Two men were shot and killed in Belfast, Northern Ireland, Tuesday night, and three others were injured. Police believe the murders were in retaliation for an I-R-A attack on two police officers four days ago.

The Contra rebels are again going on the offensive in Nicaragua. The Contras have renewed attacks on Sandinista farm cooperatives and also have seized private property. The Contras blame the attack on UNfulfilled promises by the government, which promised to resettle the Contras. Says one rebel leader... ''Little of that has been carried out.''

A fire that burned out of control for about five hours aboard a Canadian freighter at a Lake Michigan port in Indiana, 40 miles east of Chicago, has now been put out. The crew of 27 escaped UNharmed, but at least four firefighters were treated for smoke inhalation. NO evacuations were necessary because the port is in an industrial area and the only danger- says a Coast Guard official- was ''a real bad smell.''

Lava from the Kilauea volcano devoured another home and threatened others today on the southeast coast of the island of Hawaii. Only four homes- all abandoned- remain in the opulent Kalapana Gardens area hit hardest by the eruption that began in 1983 and is the longest recorded in history. 178 buildings have been lost to the lava.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - After a few days of diplomacy, the Persian Gulf crisis heated up again Tuesday. Iraqi officials called President Bush a ''clown'' and said he was waging war at the behest of oil companies. Here at home, Bush answered hecklers on the campaign trail by saying- ''The fight isn't about oil. The fight is about naked aggression that will NOT stand.''

Harry Markowitz of City University of New York, Merton Miller of the University of Chicago and William Sharpe of Stanford were named co- winners Tuesday of the Nobel economics prize. 18 U-S economists have won the prize since it was first awarded in 1969, along with 11 Europeans and one Soviet. It was the first time three people shared it in the same year.

A federal appeals court overturned a stay of execution for 44-year- old convicted murderer Wilbert Lee Evans Tuesday... setting the stage for his death in Virginia's electric chair Wednesday night. Evans intervened to save guards and nurses during the largest death-row breakout in U-S history in 1984 and his lawyers are asking his sentence be commuted to life in prison. They'll take their arguments to the Supreme Court in the morning.

Survivors of last year's powerful earthquake in the San Francisco Bay area are preparing to mark the first anniversary of the quake. The temblor, which measured at seven-point-one on the Richter scale, was blamed for 62 deaths. Some of the events marking the anniversary are somber, while some display a healthy- if morbid- sense of humor. At one party, guests are being asked to bring Shake 'n Bake, upside-down cake, tossed salad and quivering Jell-O.

Two music greats were remembered Tuesday. Leonard Bernstein was buried alongside his wife in the family plot in Brooklyn following a private ceremony. The composer and conductor died Sunday at 72 from cardiac arrest brought on by emphysema. He is best known as the long- time conductor of the New York Philharmonic. .

Jazz great Art Blakey died yesterday in New York City at age 71 following a battle with lung cancer. The drummer was one of the early musicians to draw directly on African polyrhythms to enrich Western musical forms. His ''Jazz Messengers,'' formed in 1955, was one of the most influential groups in modern jazz.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - President Bush promised to veto a budget package like the one narrowly approved by the House that proposes, in part, to reduce the soaring federal deficit by raising income taxes on the rich.

The bill, crafted by Democrats and approved Tuesday along partisan lines, 227-203, meets the deficit reduction targets of $40 billion in fiscal 1991 and $500 billion through 1995 that were set in a budget resolution approved by Congress last week.

The focus shifts to the Senate where another defict-reduction plan, which proposes no change in income tax rates and is preferred by Bush and top GOP congressional leaders, is scheduled for debate on Wednesday.

If the Senate plan is approved, conferees from both houses will try to negotiate a compromise bill.

Congress is under pressure to produce a budget agreement by midnight Friday when a temporary spending bill that is funding the federal government is due to expire. Bush has said that he will not sign a new funding measure if Congress fails to reach a budget agreement by the deadline.

Following a day of campaigning for GOP candidates in the Midwest Tuesday, Bush restated his veto threat if the measure reached his desk with the Democratic-sponsored tax package.

''Tonight the Democrats in Congress have turned back the clock. By a partisan vote in the House of Representatives, the Democrts pushed through a tax increase on working men and women,'' said Bush in a statement.

''I am determined that the budget deficit reduction package be fair. I am determined that the budget not be balanced on the backs of working Americans '' said the president. ''That's why I will veto the Democratic plan passed by the House should it reach my desk.''

But Democrats said their plan is fair to the middle class.

''Approval of our alternative will be a proud moment for this House,'' said Ways and Means Chairman Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill. ''Our alternative is bold, but it is fair enough to win broad public acceptance.''

The Democratic plan raises income tax rates on the wealthy from 28 percent to 33 percent.

It would freeze for one year the annual inflation adjustment of income tax rates and personal exemptions, which would raise taxes by about $313 on a family of four with a taxable income of $34,000 next year, according to Treasury Department figures.

The bill also proposes to:

-Impose a 10 percent luxury tax on expensive cars, jewlery, yachts and furs and add a 10 percent surtax on those with annual taxable incomes above $1 million.

-Reduce Medicare cuts by $17 billion over five years, from the $60 billion proposed in the ill-fated budget summit agreement negotiated by congressional leaders and the White House.

-Eliminate a provision that would have doubled to two weeks the waiting period for unemployment benefits.

-Exempt home heating oil from a new petroleum tax.

-Increase cigarette taxes by 4 cents in 1991 and 4 cents more in 1993.

-Increase taxes for a six-pack of beer by 32 cents. Increase wine and liquor taxes.

-Eliminate proposed increases in gasoline taxes and tax breaks for small business investments.

House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois said the Democratic plan sounds ''the savage cry of class warfare'' with increased taxes on the rich.

''This is a major tax increase that's going to put this country into a deep, bottomless recession,'' Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., said of the one-year freeze. ''They (Democrats) are going to tax and tax and tax us all to death.''

Early Tuesday, the House Rules Committee, an arm of the Democratic leadership, voted along party lines to prevent consideration of an alternative deficit reduction plan drafted by Republicans. It was barred from floor debate because

it failed to meet deficit-reduction targets.

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SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (OCT. 17) UPI - The prime ministers of the divided Koreas met Wednesday in the North Korean capital for unprecedented talks in which the North sought political rapprochement and the South focused on cross-border citizen exchanges and cooperation.

The positions were put forth when South Korean Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon and his Northern counterpart Yon Hyong-muk met at 10 a.m. local time at the People's Cultural Palace in Pyongyang, dispatches from South Korean reporters said.

They met in the first of two sessions scheduled for the Pyongyang round of the inter-Korea talks which began in Seoul in September. The current talks are the first of their kind since Korea was divided at the end of World War II in August 1945.

North Korea Wednesday presented a seven-point draft text of a joint non-aggression declaration.

Yon said, ''We propose to give top priority to ending political and military confrontation while seeking to push many-sided cooperation and exchanges at the same time, but your side puts priority on cooperation and exchanges...''

He also said North Korea believes withdrawal of U.S. forces and nuclear weapons from Korea as essential in ending South-North confrontation but the South does not perceive any moves in this regard.

Kang, speaking for the South, said the two Koreas must accept each other as real political entities and restore and develop a single national community ensuring coexistence and co-prosperity. He called on the North to show a positive attitude to three propositions.

''First, a new era of improved South-North relations, rapport and cooperation must be forged if we are to move ahead toward peace and peaceful unification of our homeland. To that end, your side must discard the policy of revolutionizing the South - a policy that repudiates and is hostile to our system,'' Kang said.

''Second, the suffering that national division has caused our people must be eased as quickly as possible. To that end, your side ought to cooperate in expeditiously realizing home visits by dispersed family members.

''Third, even before peaceful unification is achieved, efforts must be made to promote the coexistence and co-prosperity of the South and the North. ... For

that purpose, your side should positively respond to the need for vigorous economic exchanges and economic cooperation based ... on a principle of complementarity.''

Yon's said his draft of a seven-point South-North Korea non- aggression declaration accommodates the contents of the Seoul-proposed basic agreement.

The draft said ''the North and the South as one nation shall not use arms against the other party in any case or infringe upon the other party by force of arms'' and ''shall settle possible differences and disputes peacefully through dialogue and negotiation.''

He renewed his ''urgent'' demands made at the Seoul round that both sides do not seek U.N. membership without agreement at the prime ministers talks, the South stop annual Team Spirit joint military exercises with the United States, and those jailed by Seoul for unauthorized visits to the North be freed.

The session ended in two hours. Another meeting will be held Thursday behind closed doors, following which Kang will pay a call on North Korean President Kim Il-sung.

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CAIRO, Egypt (OCT. 17) UPI - The Soviet Union joined Iraq in denying that a compromise to the Persian Gulf crisis had been reached, and the exiled premier of Kuwait said he would not deal out a morsel of the emirate's territory.

''The people of Kuwait have already taken an unequivocal resolution not to make any concessions on Kuwaiti sovereignty, and this people will not surrender even a single inch of land,'' Crown Prince Sheikh Saad al- Abdullah al-Sabah said Tuesday.

His remarks to journalists in Saudi Arabia followed a weekend report of a deal between Iraq and oil-rich Kuwait. The Soviet report indicated President Saddam Hussein was considering withdrawing from the occupied emirate in exchange for two strategic islands and an oilfield.

The Novosti press agency of the Soviet Union based its report on sources close to Soviet envoy Yevgenvy Primakov, who met with Saddam in Baghdad two weeks ago.

Iraq denied the report Sunday. Moscow denied Tuesday that a compromise had been worked out, but refused to give details of the Soviet diplomat's effort.

Saddam earlier sought to link an Iraqi pullout from Kuwait to an Israeli withdrawal from the occupied territories.

Secretary of State James Baker, however, reiterated that the United States would accept nothing less than Iraq's compliance with a U.N. Security Council resolution demanding its complete withdrawal from Kuwait, conquered Aug. 2. The Soviets agree with this stance, he said.

Also ruling out compromise was Syrian Information Minister Mohammed Salman, who told an Abu Dhabi newspaper ''any comprehensive solution to the gulf crisis could only be reached through the withdrawal of Iraqi troops and the restoration of Kuwait's legitimate government.''

Syria has deployed troops to the gulf to help counter further Iraqi aggression.

Despite denials of the reported compromise deal, diplomatic efforts moved forward. Soviet envoy Primakov traveled to Rome on the first stop of a mission to try to find a possible solution to the crisis.

Italian officials said that in his one-hour meeting with Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, Primakov said that during his visit to Iraq he gained the impression that Saddam would be prepared to negotiate provided there was no ultimatum from the West and no threat of a military operation.

At a brief news conference after the meeting, Primakov said he was not carrying any message from Mikhail Gorbachev.

Italian officials said Andreotti and Primakov agreed on the need to exert ''special'' pressure on Saddam to persuade him to release the foreign hostages held in Iraq.

A spokesman for Andreotti's office said some Arab countries were working in the same direction, including Libyan Foreign Minister Ibrahim Ibshary who told Andreotti that Libyan leader Col. Moammar Gadhafi had made a personal approach to the Iraqi leader in favor of freeing the hostages.

In other developments Tuesday:

-Iraq blasted President Bush, calling him a ''clown'' waging war at the behest of oil companies, the official Iraqi news agency reported. The comments were in response to a speech Monday by Bush, who likened Saddam to Adolf Hitler.

-Bush was heckled by a few people at a rally in Iowa, but told them the U.S. deployment of troops in Saudi Arabia was not to protect oil interests but to counter ''naked aggression.''

-The government in Amman stopped a Jordanian charity from sending 16 trucks packed with milk, food and medicine to Iraq pending approval from the U.N. Security Council sanctions committee. Jordan's Prime Minister Mudar Badran denied that trucks moving between Iraq and Jordan were carrying goods in violation of the U.N. trade embargo, saying they were loaded with furniture of

Jordanians returning from Kuwait.

-Honduras said it would send 150 troops to the gulf to join the U.S.- led multinational force against Iraqi aggression.

-Libya's Gadhafi said if fighting erupted he would be forced to mobilize 1 million Libyan troops.

-Turkish President Turgut Ozal conferred with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak on coordinating their efforts over the gulf crisis in a bid to offset the impact to their economies.

Egypt and Turkey have joined other countries in applying sanctions against Iraq for invading Kuwait Aug. 2. Turkey closed down an oil pipeline and like Egypt is suffering economically because of the crisis.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

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The Soviet Union denies reports that a compromise has been reached with Iraq on solving the Persian Gulf crisis. Soviet diplomatic efforts are continuing, but Moscow refuses to give details. A Soviet diplomat who met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein two weeks ago is in Rome. He says Soviet officials are optimistic.

The House has passed a Democratic plan to reduce the deficit. But President Bush says it raises taxes on the working class and threatens to veto it. The package raises income taxes for the wealthy and increases luxury taxes and taxes on cigarettes and alcoholic beverages.

The Senate has passed a civil rights bill that would modify Supreme Court limits on awards in job discrimination cases. President Bush opposes it because he says it requires quotas in hiring and promotion. Democratic Senator Edward Kennedy says there is a good chance Congress can override a veto.

Wilbert Lee Evans, a convicted killer who saved guards' and nurses' lives when other prisoners escaped, is scheduled to die tonight in Virginia's electric chair. A federal appeals court rejected an appeal yesterday. Lawyers for Evans will turn to Governor Douglas Wilder and the Supreme Court today.

Jacksonville, Florida, authorities have charged a 35-year-old man with starting a house fire that killed his wife and five other people. The suspect, Gerald Wayne Lewis, was arrested twice previously for wife abuse. His wife had

won a court order for him to stay away from her.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - Pro-Syrian Lebanese troops surrounded the French Embassy in Lebanon yesterday and French guards put mines around the building. A rebel general, Michel Aoun, took refuge in the building after advising his followers to surrender. French President Francois Mitterrand says France will NOT surrender Aoun to Lebanon.

Drummer Art Blakey, founder of the ''Jazz Messengers,'' died of lung cancer in Manhattan yesterday. He was 71. Blakey played in the 1950s and 1960s with trumpeter Miles Davis and saxophonist Dexter Gordon. He formed the ''Jazz Messengers'' in 1955.

A California newspaper, the Sacramento Union, says it will NOT accept display advertising for movies with the new rating, N-C-17. That means people under 17 are NOT admitted. The Union called the new rating ''Nothing more than X-rated films with a polite new name.'' The Birmingham News of Alabama also has banned ads for N-C-17 films.

New York City's snake alert has ended. The Health Department had feared that a pet store chain was selling poisonous snakes. A watersnake expert has found the variety actually is a harmless type called a buff- striped keelback- a close relative, but NOT toxic.

In what is believed to be a first in the United States, a Jewish hospital and a Roman Catholic hospital are merging. Mount Sinai Hospital and St. Francis Hospital in Hartford, Connecticut, will become one hospital with nearly 11-hundred beds. Mount Sinai has been in financial trouble.

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#90290u0268 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 17) UPI - Detroit Red Wings forward Shawn Burr is becoming a thorn in the side of opponents with his offense as well as his defense.

''I don't think I've scored a goal in my first 10 games for the last four years,'' said Burr, who broke a tie with 5:49 remaining in the third period Tuesday night to give the Red Wings a 3-2 victory over the Chicago Blackhawks.

Detroit, which has three victories and a tie in its last four games, moved into a first-place tie with Chicago in the Norris Division.

''I get a kick out of all my goals, but it feels a little better when it means something,'' said Burr, who established a reputation as a defensive specialist during his first four years in the NHL.

Burr snapped a 2-2 deadlock in the third period of Detroit's 4-2 victory over Hartford last Friday and he scored the tying goal with 58 seconds left in the third period on Oct. 10 when the Red Wings beat Calgary 6-5 in overtime.

''I feel more confident that I can score goals,'' Burr said. ''It helped me to go overseas (for the World Cup) last spring. I realized there wasn't that much difference between me and a 40-goal scorer ... maybe just a little more hard work.''

Burr scored a career-high 24 goals last season and has three in seven games this year.

Burr's winning goal came on a pass from linemate Jimmy Carson. He skated in alone on goalie Ed Belfour and beat him with a wrist shot from close range.

Detroit tied the score at 8:33 of the third period when defenseman Lee Norwood beat Belfour with a low slap shot from just inside the blue line.

''We came from behjnd to beat two real good clubs, Calgary and Chicago,'' saig Detroit Coach Bryan Murray. ''That says a lot for what's happening here, but I don't want to get too high yet.''

Chicago jumped ahead 2-0 on first period goals by Steve Larmer at 2:48 and Mike Peluso at 5:48. Larmer scored after taking a pass on a give-and-go from Michel Goulet during a power play.

Peluso's goal, his first in ine NHL games, came when he swatted in :Troy Murray's rebound while falling to the ice.

Joe Kocur deflected Steve Chiasson's slap shot past Belfour to cut the Blgckhawks' lead to 2-1 at 6:25 of the firut period.

''Detroit took the play to us and some of our key people didn't hlay well,'' saidChicago Coach Mike +eenan. ''Detroit has a few more skilled players this year and they Qdded two experienced defensemen, but everythinghinges on xhe goaltender.''

Red Wings goalie Tim Cheveldae made only 18 stops, but two of them were critical ones on Mike Hudson and Jocelyn Lemieux less than a minute after Norwood scored the tying goal.

The victory put the ed Wings above the .500 mark for the first time since March 31, 1989.

Elsewhere in the NHL, St. Louis overcame Edmonton 5-2, Quebec and Hartford played to a tie 1-1, the New York Islanders grounded Winnipeg 4-1 and Philadelphia plucked Pittsburgh 5-1.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Blues 5, Oilers 2

At Edmonton, Alberta, Brett Hull scored a goal and had two assists and Geoff Courtnall added a goal and an to lead St. Louis. Te Oilers played most of the game withoutMark Messier, who sprained his left knee midway through the first period and will be out four to six weeks.

Nordiques 1, Whalers 1

At Quebec, Todd Krygier scored in the second period to lift the Whalers to a tie. Michel Petit scored the Nordiques lone goal. Hartford goaltender Peter Sihorkiewicz stopped 30 shots and Quebec's,Ron Tugnutt deflecwed 34.

Islanders 4, Jets 1

At Uniondale, N.Y., Brent Sutter scored two goals and assisted on another to lead the Islanders and send Winnipeg to its fifth straight difeat. Islander goaltende first NHL shutout with only,3940 remaining when Thomas Steen scored ln a backhand rebomnd of a Scott Arneil phot.

Flyers 5, Penguins 1

At Pittsburgh, Scott Mellanby scored two goals and Derrick Smith scored one and assisted on another to lead the Flyers. Ken Wregget turned aside 30 shots for the Flyers, improving his record to 4-0. His bid for a shutout was foiled at 14:09 of the third period when Mark Recchi scored his fourth goal of the season.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Chicago	2	0	0	--2
Detroit	1	0	2	--3

First period-1, Chicago, Larmer 6 (Goulet, Yawney), pp, 2:48. 2, Chicago, Peluso 1 (Murray), 5:48. 3, Detroit, Kocur 1 (Chiasson, Fedorov), 6:25.

Penalties-McCrimmon, Det, 2:05; Noonan, Chi, 10:52; McKay, Det, 13:28; Peluso, Chi, 15:06.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Brown, Chi, 8:17; Presley, Chi, 14:58; Brown, Chi, 15:30; Burr, Det,

15:30; Norwood, Det, 17:54; Goulet, Chi, double minor, 18:21; Hudson, Chi, 19:29.

Third period-4, Detroit, Norwood 2 (Burr, Carson), 8:33. 5, Detroit, Burr 3 (Carson, Djoos), 14:11.

Penalty-Carson, Det, 0:58

Shots on goal-Chicago 7-5-8-20. Detroit 12- 9-7-28.

Power-play conversions-Chicago 4-1. Detroit 7-0.

Goaltenders-Chicago, Belfour. Detroit, Cheveldae. A-19,207.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

Philadelphia	1	3	1	-5
Pittsburgh	0	0	1	-1

First period-1, Philadelphia, Hostak 1 (Smith, Lacombe), 7:51.

Penalties-Hostak, Phi, 2:10; Stevens, Pit, 4:19.

Second period-2, Philadelphia, Smith 1 (Latal, Sutter), 5:15. 3, Philadelphia, Mellanby 1 (unassisted), 8:58. 4, Philadelphia, Tocchet 5, (Howe), 17:20.

Penalties-Howe, Phi, 0:24; Coffey, Pit, 6:41; Tocchet, Phi, 10:25.

Third period-5, Pittsburgh, Recchi 4 (Pederson, Stevens), 14:09. 6, Philadelphia, Mellanby 2 (Murray, Craven), 17:46.

Penalties-Brown, Pit, 0:30; Lacombe, Phi, 3:36; Cullen, Pit, 4:06; Wregget, Phi, served by Eklund, 4:32; Samuelsson, Phi, 8:53; Tocchet, Phi, 10:15; Cullen, Pit, double- minor, 10:15; Murphy, Phi, 12:09; Zalapski, Pit, 15:45.

Shots on goal-Philadelphia 10-10-13-33. Pittsburgh 10-9-12-31.

Power-play conversions-Philadelphia 7-0. Pittsburgh 6-0.

Goaltenders-Philadelphia, Wregget. Pittsburgh, Barrasso. A-16,164.

Referee-Andy vanHellemond.

Winnipeg	0	0	1	-1
NY Islanders	3	0	1	-4

First period-1, NY Islanders, King 2 (Sutter), 8:11. 2, NY Islanders, Sutter 2 (Wood, Maloney), 15:02. 3, NY Islanders, Parks 1 (Volek, Wood), 16:07.

Penalties-Parks, NYI, 4:29; Crossman, NYI, 5:57.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Berg, NYI, 2:04; Numminen, Wpg, 5:45; Paslawski, Wpg, 13:01.

Third period-4, NY Islanders, Sutter 3 (King), 0:21. 5, Winnipeg, Steen 2 (Arneil, Mantha), 16:20.

Penalties-McDermid, Wpg, 16:41; Pilon, NYI, 16:41.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 12-11-19-42, NY Islanders 10-11-9-30.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 3-0, NY Islanders 2-0.

Goaltenders-Winnipeg, Essensa, Tabaracci (0:00 of the third). NY Islanders, Hackett. A-9,805.

Referee-Rich Trottier.

Hartford	0	1	0	0-1
Quebec	0	1	0	0-1

First period-No scoring.

Penalties-Wolanin, Que, 1:47; Ladouceur, Har, 10:34; Andersson, Har, 13:16; McRae, Que, 20:00.

Second period-1, Quebec, Petit 3 (Sakic), pp, 11:00. 2, Hartford, Krygier 3 (Verbeek, Young), pp, 16:11.

Penalties-Samuelsson, Har, 10:10; Finn, Que, 11:30; McKegney, Que, 14:55.

Third period-No Scoring.

Penalties-No Penalties.

Overtime-No Scoring. Penalties-No Penalties.

Shots on goal-Hartford 11-9-12-3-35. Quebec 7-12-12-0-31.

Power-play conversions-Hartford 5-1. Quebec 3-1.

Goalies-Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. Quebec, Tugnutt. A-13,940.

Referee-Denis Morel.

St. Louis 1-1-3-5
Edmonton 0-1-1-2

First Period-1, St. Louis, P. Cavallini 1 (Oates, Hull) 19:39.

Penalties-Lowe, Edm, 8:01; Featherstone, StL, 10:36; Anderson, Edm, 11:03; Simpson, Edm, 11:42; Ronning, StL, 15:54.

Second Period-2, Edmonton, Klima 1 (MacTavish, Murphy) 0:38. 3, St. Louis, Lowry 1 (Stevens), 4:53.

Penalties-Tikkanen, Edm, 1:18; Featherstone, StL, 5:41; Bassen, StL, 14:43; Featherstone, StL, 18:49.

Third Period-4, St. Louis, Courtnall 5 (Hull), 1:47. 5, Edmonton, Gelinas 2 (Murphy, S.Smith), 2:56. 6, St. Louis, Hull 5 (Courtnall, Oates), pp, 6:00. 7, St. Louis, Stevens 1 (Oates, Brown), pp, 15:58.

Penalties-Linesman, Edm, 4:25; Bench- minor, Edm, 15:00.

Shots on goal-St. Louis 17-7-13-37. Edmonton 10-6-4-20.

Power-plays conversions-St. Louis 6-2. Edmonton 5-0.

Goaltenders, Edmonton, Ranford. St. Louis, Riendeau. A-15,908.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

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TOKYO (OCT. 17) UPI - A U.S. Marine who died at Yokosuka Air Base Hospital Sunday following a fight against another Marine has been identified as Cpl. Robert B. Hitchcock, 23, of Spokane, Washington, U.S. Forces Japan announced Wednesday.

Hitchcock, attached to Sub-Unit 1, 1st Armored Assault Battalion, Third Marine Division, Camp Fuji, west of Tokyo, was taken to Yokosuka Air Base Sunday following a fight with a Marine from the same unit, the U.S. military earlier reported.

It said the other Marine, whose name was withheld, was in the custody of military authorities.

The incident occurred while the Marine unit, based on Okinawa in the Pacific, was undergoing training at Camp Fuji, it said.

The announcement Sunday said an autopsy conducted by the U.S. Navy at Yokosuka

indicated that Hitchcock died from a blunt-force injury to the head.

Hitchcock is survived by his wife Kimberly, the announcement said.

It said the investigation was being conducted by the Naval Investigative Service at Atsugi and the Air Force Office of Special Investigation at Yokota Air Base, both in the suburbs of Tokyo.

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BEIJING (OCT. 17) UPI - A former executive at China's state radio who was jailed for more than a year on charges linked to the crackdown on pro-democracy demonstrators has been released to the custody of his father, a vice-premier, Chinese sources said Wednesday.

Wu Xiaoyong, 37, the son of Vice Premier Wu Xueqian, was quietly freed from Qincheng Prison north of Beijing in mid-September in part because of continuing health problems, according to sources familiar with his case who declined to be identified further.

Wu had served as a senior executive for the English-language service of Radio Beijing, the government-run radio network, until he was arrested dtreng the summer of 1989 to be held accountable for an unauthorized broadcast made on the station on June 4, 1989.

The night before, Chinese troops had stormed into Beijing and opened fire on pro-democracy protesters, crushing six weeks of demonstrations for greater freedom and ousting student-led protesters from central Tiananmen Square.

A Radio Beijing announcer went on the air on the morning of June 4 and told listeners that troops had killed hundreds of people in the assault, calling it a ''gross violation of human rights,'' until the broadcast was abruptly cut off.

At least four Radio Beijing employees were cited as responsible, with Wu taking the blame although he was not directly involved. He had been held at the secretive Qincheng Prison, where some intellectuals and students arrested after June 4 remain.

The sources said persistent pleas from Vice Premier Wu, a former foreign minister, and a chronic stomach ailment had contributed to the decision to free the younger Wu, who was released into his father's custody.

They said he remained at a family home but could not communicate with friends or colleagues.

Meanwhile, the sources said, another one of the four implicated in the

incident has been confined for at least six months to a government political re-education academy, following his ouster from his post two months ago.

Li Dan, the English service's program director, was sent to the institution north of Beijing after his removal in August in a move the sources linked to last year's incident, despite the time lapse involved.

Communist Party hard-liners have continued to press a campaign to tighten control over propaganda and the media.

Chinese officials have said 355 people arrested after last year's crackdown remain in prison and nearly 900 have been freed. But Western diplomats estimate the number still held is considerably higher.

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#90290u0296 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (OCT. 17) UPI - A bomb exploded in the Burmese Embassy compound in Thailand early Wednesday morning, shattering windows but causing no injuries, police said.

''A TNT bomb exploded inside the embassy at 3 a.m. this morning,'' said Lt. Col Vanich Surapholchai, the district police chief.

''We don't know who is behind the incident,'' he said, adding embassy officials believed that the bombing was carried out by either Burmese ethnic insurgents or student dissidents.

''They (embassy officials) are not willing to cooperate with the police but we think that it is likely that the incident is involved with their internal affairs,'' Vanich said.

He said the bomb exploded just 49 feet from the embassy building, causing no casualities but breaking four windows.

Burmese student dissidents and ethnic minorities have frequently carried out demonstrations in front of their embassy in Bangkok to protest their military government that refuses to hand over the power to an elected parliament.

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#90290u0326 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 17) UPI - Japan's justice minister sent a letter Wednesday to the congressional Black Caucus apologizing for comparing American blacks to prostitutes after a raid on a red light district, his ministry said.

Details of the letter from Justice Minister Seiroku Kajiyama would not be released until Thursday, a ministry spokesman said.

Later in the day, Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu told Parliament that although he deplored Kajiyama's remark, he would not dismiss him.

After less than a week in office, Kajiyama set off a storm of criticism by telling reporters on Sept. 21 that the influx of foreign prostitutes into Tokyo was just ''like in America when blacks move in and whites are forced out.''

''Prostitutes ruin the neighborhood the same way,'' he said, commenting on a raid the night before on a red-light district in Tokyo.

Four days later, following an uproar in the United States culminating in a protest from the U.S. State Department, Kajiyama called a press conference where he apologized and retracted the remark.

Kaifu admonished him and warned against such misconduct in the future.

Black Americans in Japan and the United States have continued to protest Kajiyama's remarks, which they view as reflecting widespread prejudice against blacks among Japanese politicians.

Members of the congressional Black Congress have pressed for Kajiyama's resignation.

Kajiyama's remark was the latest in a series of racist comments about American blacks made by leading Japanese politicians.

In 1986, the Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone said that America's average intelligence was lowered by the presence of blacks and Hispanics. He later apologized and said he was referring to the lower educational levels of minorities.

In 1986, Michio Watanabe, who now heads Nakasone's faction in the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, said that American blacks were fiscally irresponsible people who had no compunctions about going bankrupt.

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#90290u0429 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

GENEVA (OCT. 17) UPI - Delegates from the United States and other nations Wednesday expressed concern for the success of ongoing global world trade talks after the European Community's failure to present proposals on reducing agricultural subsidies.

''We are extremely disappointed,'' a U.S. delegation official said. ''The possible EC proposal they were discussing was already unacceptable and it seems they now want to make it even weaker.''

The official reiterated the U.S. stance that agriculture must be part of any trade liberalization package at the Uruguay Round talks - begun in 1986 with the aim of cutting trade barriers by 33 percent.

The discussions among 105 nations are scheduled to end at a meeting of trade ministers in Brussels, Belgium, Dec. 3-7, but officials increasingly expect either a failure to reach an agreement or that negotiations would continue into 1991.

Officials at the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, which is the framework for the Uruguay Round, said they were ''deeply concerned'' EC farm ministers failed to present a common position Tuesday night.

''Things are not good, not good at all,'' a GATT official said.

The United States, Canada, and the Cairns Group of other major farming nations that includes Australia and Argentina presented their agricultural proposals Monday, which was the GATT deadline for proposals in the sector.

The proposals called for cuts of ''no less than'' 75 percent in domestic farm supports - prevalent in the United States - and of 90 percent in export subsidies as enjoyed by EC farmers.

EC ministers were unable to agree, however, on a suggested proposal to cut export supports just 30 percent - rejected by other Uruguay Round participants in advance as totally unacceptable.

The EC ministers meet again Friday but even if there is a European proposal, sentiment among delegates is that a compromise in unlikely to be reached before the Brussels meeting.

''If EC ministers can't agree among themselves now it is also difficult to see how they could take the big political decisions needed to compromise in December,'' a GATT official said.

American negotiators have ruled out a compromise and said the U.S. would not consider a reduction below the 75 percent and 90 percent levels, respectively, for farm supports and export subsidies.

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#90290u0487 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 17) UPI - President Bush plans to be in Washington today to try to move along the budget process. He's threatening to veto the House-passed version of the budget. Bush prefers a version that's up before the Senate. The president had planned to go to Cincinnati for the second World Series game between the Reds and the Oakland A's... but he canceled out. Mrs. Bush will throw out the

first pitch today.

Senate-passed civil rights legislation is likely to be debated in the House today. The Senate approved the measure last night... despite President Bush threatening to veto it because he says it contains quotas in hiring and promotions. The Democrats deny the legislation contains quotas. And several senators say Bush would like to sign the bill but is being pressured by his aides.

A child-care package providing tax credits for poor families and grants to states has emerged from White House and Senate negotiations. The House was NOT involved in the negotiations. Key senators say representatives have virtually agreed to the plan. However, NOT all House members are as optimistic. The child-care measure would cover five years and cost 15-BILLION dollars.

Oil officials in Alaska say production from America's largest oil fields is the highest it's been in nearly two years. Crude oil flowing through the trans-Alaska pipeline rose this week to about one-Million 950-thousand barrels a day. Officials are NOT saying production in Alaska increased because of the crisis in the Persian Gulf... but they do say security along the 800-mile trans-Alaska oil pipeline has been increased.

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#90290u0493 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 17) UPI - Political action committees set up by labor groups have given more than 23-Million dollars to this year's congressional campaigns. Federal Election Commission records show seven individual union PACs contributed at least one-Million dollars. The Teamsters Union gave the most... one- Million 656-thousand 142 dollars. The top 15 recipients in both the Senate and the House are Democrats.

A reputed member of a white supremacist group is in custody in San Diego, charged with mailing threatening letters before and after a bombing of the federal courthouse. Officials say a group Mark Somes belongs to... the Holy Church of the White Fighting Machine of the Cross... claimed responsibility for the bombing. NO one was hurt in the explosion.

New York Governor Mario Cuomo says he's being slandered. A Republican asked for an investigation into charges Democrat Cuomo illegally registered to vote in Queens and improperly voted by absentee ballot. Cuomo says the governor's residence in Albany is only temporary and he pays taxes in New York City. Plus he says, he didn't know where he'd be election day when he obtained an absentee ballot.

The graveyard where former President James Buchanan is buried has been ignored for years. But NOT for much longer. A preservation group in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, says it will restore the once-prominent Woodward Hill Cemetery.

Buchanan's grave has NOT been defaced but many headstones are broken or defaced with graffiti. Buchanan, the nation's 15th president, died in 1868.

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#90290u0496 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 17) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed higher for the third consecutive session Wednesday as sentiment grew concerning the continued strength of the Japanese yen and bond market.

The market's key barometer, the Nikkei Average of 225 selective issues which climbed 496.90 points Tuesday, added another 253.26 points to 23,859.36.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares, which rose 25.36 points Tuesday, gained 21.65 points to 1, 753.34.

Volume continued to grow as an estimated 600 million shares changed hands, up from 522 million shares Tuesday.

Advances outpaced declines 628 to 356, while 129 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks closed slightly higher in moderate trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in a session marked by increasing confidence from investors.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which climbed 33.19 points Tuesday, added another 8.97 points to 2,958.54.

In Bangkok, stocks eased slightly on the Thailand Stock Exchange, reflecting the increase in oil prices.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which added 1.05 points Tuesday, slipped 6.81 points to 646.99.

Volume amounted to about 1.2 billion shares, compared with 2.2 billion shares changing hands Tuesday.

Declines outpaced advances 108 to 23.

In Seoul, stock prices on the Korean Stock Exchange rose sharply after heavy late buying by individual investors.

The Korean Composite Stock Index, which slipped 8.10 points Tuesday, rebounded 15.67 points to 653.96.

In Australia, stocks on the Sydney Sharemarket closed mixed in moderate trading as enthusiasm was hammered by the sharp drop in the value of gold bullion on global markets.

The All Ordinaries Index, which gained 15.6 points Tuesday, added another 4.9 points to 1,341.7 but the closely watched Gold Index, which fell 25.8 points Tuesday, tumbled another 14.4 points to 1,289.7.

Volume amounted to about 73 million shares, compared with 82.3 million shares Tuesday.

In Wellington, stocks posted their third consecutive gain on the New Zealand Stock Exchange.

The Barclays Share Index gained 17.44 points to 1,272.36.

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#90290u0500 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

AUBURN HILLS, MICH. (OCT. 17) UPI - Two top Soviet skaters are seeking political asylum in the United States, saying they fear rising ethnic intimidation in their homeland.

Andrei Torossian, 23, and his wife, Irina Kortchach, 27, defected Saturday night after the final performance of the Moscow on Ice show at The Palace of Auburn Hills, north of Detroit.

Speaking through an interpretor, the couple went public with the story of their defection at a news conference Tuesday.

Kortchach, a Soviet Jew, said she and her mother were beaten twice during a two-year period because they look Jewish. She said she had to have surgery after her nose was broken during the second beating, in a market next to her Moscow apartment.

''In view of the rising feeling against ethnic minorities in the Soviet Union, Irina felt she was in danger of her life,'' said Luba Berton of Dearborn, who interpreted for the couple.

Although he is not Jewish, Torossian said he was not allowed to compete internationally with Soviet skating teams because he is Armenian.

Oakland County Prosecutor Richard Thompson said the couple told an unidentified contact in the Detroit area of their wish to defect after the three-day run of their ice show. That person, who contacted Auburn Hills police, sought legal advice from Thompson on Friday.

''They have no money, no family, no friends in the United States, no job, no place to stay,'' Thompson said. ''In fact, the only things these people brought with them were three small bags, which they had at a motel room.''

Torossian and Kortchach, who were married in Moscow on March 31, are the second set of defecting Soviet skaters to end up in the Detroit area this year. In February, four ice dancers and their manager defected in New York but subsequently moved to the Detroit area to teach skating. The former manager works at a Detroit restaurant.

In July, Soviet hockey player Sergei Federov left the Soviet national team at the Goodwill Games in Seattle to play with the Detroit Red Wings.

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#90290u0538 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - The housing industry suffered through another miserable month in September as new construction plummeted 0.6 percent for a record eighth consecutive monthly decline, the government said Wednesday.

Applications for building permits dropped 4.2 percent.

The grim picture of an industry in deep recession was generally in line with forecasts by private economists. In August, housing starts were off 1 percent and building permits tumbled 3 percent.

A Commerce Department spokesman said September's approximately 1.14 million housing starts, adjusted for seasonal factors and calculated at an annual rate was the worst showing since the recession of 1982.

Last month's total of 1 million applications for building permits were also the worst since the last nationwide economic malaise eight years ago.

''During the first nine months of this year, 963,100 housing units were started compared with 1,074,500 units during the same period in 1989,'' the Commerce Department said. ''This is a decrease of 10 percent.''

Building permits, meanwhile, were down by about 12 percent over the same period last year, the department said.

Construction of new apartment buildings of five or more units tumbled 17.8 percent in September, dragging down a 4.3 percent gain in construction of single-family homes and a 16.1 percent surge in apartment buildings containing two, three and four units.

In August, construction of single-family dwellings fell 3.9 percent, while construction of apartments containing two, three and four units advanced 6.9 percent, and construction of larger apartment complexes increased 8.4 percent, the government said.

By region, housing starts fell 11 percent in the Northeast in September after increasing 4.4 percent in August, advanced 3.3 percent in the Midwest after

jumping 7.7 percent, gained 3 percent in the South after plunging 10.8 percent and dropped 4.4 percent in the West after increasing 6.5 percent.

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#90290u0571 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 17) UPI - Stock prices were slightly lower in moderate trading at midday Wednesday on the London International Stock Exchange amid some early weakness in the index futures market.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 18.3 points Tuesday, was down 14.8 points to 2,068.8. The narrower top 30 industrial average was down 12.6 points to 1,600.7.

Volume amounted to about 370 million shares compared with 198 million shares traded during the same period Tuesday.

Analysts explained the volume was inflated by a 137.7 million-share block of Premier Consolidated Oilfields sold by merchant bankers Kleinworth Benson.

Kleinworth Benson slipped 11 cents to $5.34 after the transaction amid speculation the bank lost an estimated $59 million on the sale.

Analysts said stocks slipped as the December Financial Times Stock Exchange 100 Index contract fell to 2,106.0 from 2,123.0 pushing the cash markets lower.

Analysts also noted investors were adopting a more cautious stance and searching out high-dividend, low-priced selective blue chip stocks.

Among some of the day's other most widely traded stocks, Thames Water gained 4 cents to $4.37, Allied Lyons added 2 cents to $8.91, North West Water gained 2 cents to $4.33 and B.A.T Industries slipped 9 cents to $10.02.

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#90290u0593 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 17) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker says Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is offering what he calls a ''siren song of a partial solution.'' Baker says only an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait will be accepted.

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A Soviet diplomat says he believes Saddam will be prepared to negotiate, but only if there is NO ultimatum or threat of a military operation. He says he is optimistic. But the Soviet Union says NO deal has been struck with Iraq.

The Senate today considers a deficit-reduction plan favored by top Republicans. Congress is under pressure to have a budget by Friday. President

Bush is staying close to the situation and cancelled a trip to the World Series tonight.

The Senate has passed a bill strengthening workers' rights against job discrimination. President Bush threatens a veto because he fears it will requiring hiring and promotion quotas.

A cold front in the northern Midwest has brought rain and hail. Thunderstorms covered the thumb of Michigan. Winds hit 80 miles an hour along the Colorado-Wyoming border.

Wilbert Evans is scheduled to die tonight in the Virginia electric chair. Appeals will be made to Governor Douglas Wilder and the Supreme Court. Evans killed a police officer, but saved guards during a prison breakout.

Jury selection begins today in the Dallas trial of Don Dixon, charged with illegally using funds from a savings and loan that later failed. A key witness will be a convicted madam who says Dixon used her call-girl ring.

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#90290u0612 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 17) UPI - A federal court yesterday listened to an appeal of hotel executive Leona Helmsley's conviction for income tax evasion. Her lawyer argued the federal case was tainted because it was based on her testimony to a state grand jury.

Authorities say they have broken up a nationwide narcotics ring that operated out of Los Angeles. Seven suspects were arrested. Cocaine worth 80-Million dollars was seized.

Two men were shot and killed in Belfast, Northern Ireland, last night. Police said a Protestant group carried out the killings in retaliation for an attack by the Irish Republican Army.

The government of the Sudan threatens to shoot down planes carrying UNauthorized food to southern Sudan. Sudan complained that U-N agencies have sent relief supplies only to areas held by rebels.

Composer-conductor Leonard Bernstein was buried yesterday in Brooklyn. Only his three children and other relatives and close friends attended. Bernstein died Sunday at age 72.

One house on the southeast coast of the island of Hawaii has been destroyed by molten rock from the Kilauea volcano. Others are threatened.

People in the San Francisco Bay Area are observing a nervous anniversary. A year ago today the earthquake that killed 62 people struck. It was the area's

worst quake since 1906.

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#90290u0653 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (OCT. 17) UPI - The army began Wednesday distributing gas masks to Arab residents of East Jerusalem in case of a chemical weapons attack by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, an Arab leader most Palestinians strongly support.

About 140,000 Arabs, who live in Jerusalem and are considered Israeli residents by the government, were eligible to pick up the chemical warfare kits at 21 distribution centers.

Last week, the army began its program to distribute gas mask kits to every citizen and resident of Israel. Israel has said the distribution program is a precaution and does not indicate that officials believe hostilities are about to erupt in the Middle East.

Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip will receive the protective gear at a later date and will have to pay for it, because unlike Israelis and Jerusalem Arabs, they have not made national insurance payments to cover the cost, the army said.

Arabs have been warned not to use the masks as protection against tear gas fired by security forces. It is illegal to open the kits unless directed to do so by the army.

At a school in the Arab neighborhood of Beit Hanina, Palestinians picking up the equipment were ambivalent about their position as supporters of Saddam and possible victims if hostilities erupted between Israel and Iraq.

''I think he is a good man because he is thinking about all the people here,'' said Mohammed Abed, 25. ''Fifty percent of the people here would like there to be a war because they want to end the occupation here.''

Saddam has sought to link a resolution of the Israeli-Arab conflict to the Iraqi takeover of Kuwait. Palestinians see the Iraqi president as a strong Arab leader capable of challenging Israel and its Western supporters.

Abed, a resident of Issawiya village which lies within the Jerusalem municipal boundries, however, said he would use his gas mask if there was an attack.

''I will use it if I can. It's my life. Nobody dies for nothing,'' he said. ''But war I think is good for us. Maybe it will finish the occupation.''

Arab men and women registered at tables in the school yard and then went into the school to pick up the equipment. Women in long traditional Palestinian dresses carried out big white plastic bags full of boxed gas masks.

Incubator-like cribs were available for families with infants.

Only a handful of Arabs attended a class on using the kits, held in a kindergarten classroom, located in the school's basement bomb shelter. Videotaped instructions in Hebrew were followed by a demonstration in Arabic given by a soldier.

Last week, in the coastal plain town of Kefar Yona, one of the first Jewish communities to receive gas masks, a much larger percentage of people picking up their kits attended the instruction classes than in Beit Hanina.

At the Beit Hanina school, the atmosphere was unusually calm despite the large number of Palestinians and soldiers mixing. Many of the soldiers were friendly and helpful.

''I never saw soldiers like I did today. I don't believe it,'' Abed said. ''(They are) doing a very nice job. But when I go outside to my village, (the soldier) doesn't know anything. He just knows he is a soldier and I am an Arab person, and he starts to shoot.''

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#90290u0689 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - U.S. industrial production increased 0.2 percent in September mainly on a jump in the output of motor vehicles and parts, the Federal Reserve reported Wednesday.

In August, industrial production increased by a revised 0.1 percent after an initial report of a 0.2 percent decline.

''In September, the output of motor vehicles and parts rose 7.5 percent, boosting the indexes for both consumer goods and business equipment,'' the Fed's monthly report said.

But ''with production of motor vehicles and parts excluded, industrial production edged down in September,'' the Fed said. ''Output of consumer non-durable goods and energy materials rose sharply, but production in most other major market categories declined.''

During the last 12 months, U.S. industrial production has increased 2.2 percent to 110.7 percent of its 1987 annual average.

''On a quarterly average basis, industrial production in the third quarter grew at nearly the same pace as in the second quarter,'' the Fed said. ''However, the average monthly gain during the summer was about one-half of that posted during the preceding quarter.''

Manufacturing production scored its second consecutive 0.2 percent increase in

September, on identical gains for both durable and non- durable goods industries, the report said.

Mining production edged up 0.4 percent last month after falling 1.7 percent in August, while the production of the nation's utilities was up 0.9 percent following a 1.3 percent August gain.

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#90290u0696 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - Capacity utilization - the percentage of America's industrial muscle being used - remained unchanged from August at 83.6 percent, the Fed said.

Private economists had anticipated a 0.2 percent decline in the output of the nation's factories, utilities and mines for September and had predicted a capacity utilization rate of 82.9 percent.

The capacity utilization of factories, meanwhile, stood at 82.8 percent in September, while the rate for mines was 89 percent and the rate for utilities was 88.1 percent, the Fed said.

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#90290u0710 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 17) UPI - Two Americans and one Canadian share this year's Nobel Prize in physics. Jerome Friedman and Henry Kendall of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Richard Taylor, a Canadian who is at Stanford University are the winners of the prize. Sweden's Royal Academy of Science says the three were key in research that help understand the inner-most structure of matter.

President Bush says he will be available in Washington today for budget negotiations. The president is taking time off from campaigning for Republican candidates to try to push Congress toward a budget he will accept. Bush opposes a House-passed version that he says contains a tax increase on working men and women.

Congress is getting flak because of the farm bill put together by House and Senate negotiators. The American Farm Bureau and the National Association of Wheat Growers say the farm bill makes farmers carry too much of the burden of federal budget cuts. Environmentalists are disgruntled that pesiticides barred for use in the U-S will be exported legally.

The League of Conservation Voters gives Democrats better grades than Republicans for their environmental voting records in this congressional session. The league says New Englanders were ''greener'' than lawmakers from other regions. However, the league says Congress passed little environmental legislation this year.

Japan's justice minister sent a letter of apology to the United States today. The letter was mailed to the congressional Black Caucus... apologizing for his comparison of American blacks to prostitutes. The Japanese official made the comment after a raid on a red light district in Tokyo.

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#90290u0712 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 17) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	78	51	....
Anchorage sy	29	15	....
Asheville pc	71	50	....
Atlanta pc	80	61	....
Baltimore sy	71	46	....
Billings pc	48	31	.15
Birmingham pc	87	67	....
Bismarck sn	57	31	.22
Boston sy	66	45	....
Brownsville pc	88	77	....
Buffalo pc	60	47	....
Burlington Vt. pc	60	36	....
Charleston S.C. sy	80	71	....
Charlotte pc	78	55	....
Chicago w	67	62	....
Cincinnati pc	71	59	....
Cleveland pc	63	53	....
Columbus Ohio pc	68	53	....
Dallas pc	87	70	....
Denver w	82	41	.01
Des Moines w	73	64	....
Detroit w	63	54	....
Duluth r	56	43	.81
El Paso sy	83	60	....
Evansville pc	77	59	....
Fargo sn	60	40	.74
Hartford sy	64	36	....
Honolulu sy	90	75	.03
Houston pc	85	72	....
Indianapolis w	68	54	....
Jackson Miss. cy	89	60	....
Jacksonville pc	86	63	....
Kansas City w	83	67	....
Las Vegas sy	86	63	....
Little Rock w	81	59	....
Los Angeles hz	77	65	....

Louisville pc	76	59	....
Memphis cy	84	61	....
Miami Beach pc	85	80	....
Milwaukee w	66	59	....
Minneapolis r	57	53	....
Nashville pc	83	63	....
New Orleans pc	84	66	....
New York sy	69	52	....
Oklahoma City w	83	66	....
Omaha w	79	65	....
Orlando pc	89	73	....
Philadelphia sy	71	49	....
Phoenix sy	93	71	....
Pittsburgh sy	64	47	....
Portland Me. sy	65	34	....
Portland Ore. cy	60	39	.05
Providence sy	66	39	....
Richmond sy	74	46	....
St. Louis w	82	65	....
Salt Lake City sy	68	30	.01
San Antonio pc	87	72	.02
San Diego pc	73	66	....
San Francisco sy	73	53	....
San Juan cy	87	73	.14
Seattle cy	56	43	.04
Spokane pc	52	31	....
Tampa pc	91	72	....
Washington sy	72	51	....
Wichita w	86	67	....

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cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

-30- 2678
#90290u0715 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 17) UPI - Government researchers report an alarming increase in the number of deadly brain tumors that are striking elderly people. Researchers at the National Institutes of Health say brain tumors apparently jumped five-fold in people over 85 between 1973 and 1985. The reseachers say the reason is a mystery.

The Los Angeles City Council adopted an AIDS policy that contains the most comprehensive guidelines dealing with the AIDS crisis ever to be approved by a legislative body in the United States. It's designed to protect L-A employees afflicted with AIDS and to create programs in the hardest-hit communities.

Poland and the Russian Federation have signed an agreement on friendship and cooperation. It's the first such accord between the Soviet Union's dominant republic and a foreign country. Poland and Russia say in the pact that they do NOT lay any territorial claims on each other and WON'T in the future.

A Salt Lake City hospital might send home Mormon Church President Ezra Taft Benson today. Benson has undergone two brain operations in the past month. One of Benson's aides says he is much better. Benson was agriculture secretary under President Eisenhower.

Former Atlanta mayor, civil rights leader, United Nations ambassador and Congregationalist minister Andrew Young is taking on a new job. He will be the top executive of Law Companies International Group, an international engineering firm with 14-hundred engineers in 30 countries.

A paramedic in Houston had an easy time persuading firefighters to pose shirtless for a calendar he hopes will raise money for burn victims. But he is having a hard time finding retailers who will sell the beefcake pin-ups. Manuel Chavez will donate the profits to Shriners hospitals.

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#90290u0739 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 16: Purchases of 330,059 shares and sales of 591,003 shares including 44,569 shares sold short.

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#90290u0793 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 17) UPI - The government reports September was the eighth straight month of decline in the housing industry. New construction fell six-tenths of one percent. A Commerce Department spokesman says last month was the worst showing for new housing starts since 1982, a recession year. Applications for

building permits last month fell more than four percent... and were down by 12 percent from September of a month ago.

The Soviet Union is denying that a compromise has been reached to the Persian Gulf crisis. The Soviet news agency Novosti had that report quoting sources close to Soviet envoy Yevgenvy Primakov Yehv-GEHN'-ee PREEM'-ah-kawf who met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein two weeks ago. Iraq also has denied the report. Primakov was in Rome yesterday and said he is optimistic. He said he believes Saddam is prepared to negotiate... but only without threats from the West.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney met today with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev at the Kremlin. The official Tass news agency says Cheney opened the talks by congratulating Gorbachev on winning the Nobel peace price. Gorbachev's spokesman said they were to discuss negotiations on reducing conventional forces in Europe and a treaty limiting strategic nuclear weapons.

Election records show political action committees set up by labor groups have given more than 23-Million dollars to candidates running for Congress in next month's elections. The only other interest group that has given more is businessMillion dollars. Democrats are the major recipients of labor money. Senator Paul Simon of Illinois has received the most of any individual candidatethousand dollars.

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#90290u0803 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 17) UPI - Hundreds of black South African coal miners belonging to the Xhosa tribal group have quit their jobs in Natal province. 10 Xhosas were killed Monday in an attack by rival Zulu miners and 52 were wounded. A mine spokesman said 400 Xhosa miners quit yesterday and the 100 or so still remaining will leave by the end of the week. Police say they sent in riot units during the night to prevent another similar fight.

Western diplomats say the sanctions the West and Japan imposed on Japan last year are falling by the wayside. One says Europe and Japan have resumed making loans to China. The diplomats say the sanctions may be totally dismantled soon. They were imposed after China took violent action against Chinese protesters demanding democracy.

A bankers' groups says banks are becoming more conservative in writing home equity loans because property values are falling. The American Bankers Association reports 20 percent have tightened their underwriting requirements. Last year, the average customer at a big bank was approved for a home equity loan of 38-thousand dollars... but actually borrowed only 52 percent of that. Customers of community banks borrowed about 67 percent of their available amount.

A demanding special program in math and science is getting good results from poor students, most of them from minority groups, with only average abilities. More than three-thousand students took part in the high school programs sponsored by the Josiah Macy Foundation. A study of Macy students shows 90 percent go on to college and about 40 percent pursue college studies in math and sciences.

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#90290u0804 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $365.20 silver base of $4.23 and platinum price of $395.50:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$395.50	375.70
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	195.20	192.90
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	100.30	99.10
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	41.50	41.00
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	395.50	375.70
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	195.20	192.90
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	100.80	99.60
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	41.50	41.00
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	386.40	381.70
China Panda .50 troy oz.	199.10	196.70
China Panda .25 troy oz.	103.20	102.00
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	44.60	44.00
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	26.60	26.30
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	380.60	375.90
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	194.40	192.00
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	98.30	97.10
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	42.40	41.90
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	378.30	374.30
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	196.00	194.00
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	100.60	99.60
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	42.90	42.50
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	377.70	374.00
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	194.20	192.30
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	82.50	81.70
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	43.20	42.80
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	22.20	22.00
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.63	$5.61
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		

U.S. coinage:	$3,140	$3,130
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,350	$1,325
Platinum		
Australian Koala	415.00	419.00
Isle of Man Noble	404.00	408.00
Canada Maple Leaf	415.00	419.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - The housing industry suffered through another miserable month in September as new construction plummeted 0.6 percent for a record eighth consecutive monthly decline, the government said Wednesday.

Applications for building permits dropped 4.2 percent.

The grim picture of an industry in deep recession was generally in line with forecasts by private economists, who expect more bad news through the first part of 1991. In August, housing starts were off 1 percent and building permits tumbled 3 percent.

A Commerce Department spokesman said September's approximately 1.14 million housing starts, adjusted for seasonal factors and calculated at an annual rate was the worst showing since the recession of 1982.

Last month's 1 million applications for building permits were also the worst since the last nationwide economic malaise eight years ago.

''During the first nine months of this year, 963,100 housing units were started compared with 1,074,500 units during the same period in 1989,'' the Commerce Department said. ''This is a decrease of 10 percent.''

Building permits, meanwhile, were down by about 12 percent over the same period last year, the department said.

''I think the bottom is pretty near,'' said David Seiders, chief economist at the National Association of Home Builders. ''We are looking for some further gradual decline into the first quarter of next year.''

But Seiders said his forecast assumes a ''sensible decision'' by Congress and the White House on slashing the federal budget deficit, a gradual easing of interest rates and a stalmate in the military confrontation with Iraq.

Construction of new apartment buildings of five or more units tumbled 17.8 percent in September, dragging down a 4.3 percent gain in construction of single-family homes and a 16.1 percent surge in apartment buildings containing two, three and four units.

Richard Peach, an economist with the Mortgage Bankers Association, attributed the decline in apartment construction in part on developers ''trying to beat the deadline'' on federal regulations requiring expenive modifications to make buildings more accessible to physically disabled people.

The apartment numbers were stronger earlier in the year, Peach noted.

In August, construction of single-family dwellings fell 3.9 percent, while construction of apartments containing two, three and four units advanced 6.9 percent, and construction of larger apartment complexes increased 8.4 percent, the government said.

By region, housing starts fell 11 percent in the Northeast in September after increasing 4.4 percent in August, advanced 3.3 percent in the Midwest after jumping 7.7 percent, gained 3 percent in the South after plunging 10.8 percent dropped 4.4 percent in the West after increasing 6.5 percent.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 17) UPI - A former church secretary wants $11 million from the Roman Catholic Church because a priest allegedly seduced her during counseling sessions and fathered her child.

Debbie McCorvey, 34, claims the Rev. Fernando Noe Guzman, formerly a priest at Our Lady of Fatima Church in Galena Park, engaged in professional malpractice and deceit by inducing her to have sex.

Jury selection in the case began Tuesday and continued Wednesday. Prospective jurors were asked to fill out questionnaires on their views on sexual harassment and other topics.

McCorvey is seeking $1 million in actual damages and $10 million in punitive damages from the Roman Catholic Church, Bishops Joseph A. Fiorenza and John E. McCarthy, retired Bishop John L. Morkovsky and the Revs. Daniel Scheel and Bruce Nieli.

The lawsuit claims diocese officials knew of a pattern of sexual misconduct by Guzman but allowed him to continue as a practicing priest without providing counseling or therapy for him.

The suit also claims church officials knew Guzman had sexual relations with a

minor when he was assigned to a church in Navasota, and that he fathered two illegitimate children while working as a priest in Mexico.

Church officials deny the allegations in the suit and claim McCorvey knowingly consented to her relationship with Guzman.

But McCorvey claims Guzman fostered her dependence on him after she began seeing him in 1985 for psychological counseling for marital problems and other troubles. She continued seeing him after he assured her their sexual relationship made them ''one with God,'' the suit claims.

McCorvey was fired from her church job in 1987 and Guzman also left the church that year. Guzman, who was not legally served in the case, has not denied he fathered McCorvey's child.

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#90290u0845 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (OCT. 17) UPI - Two American physicists and a Canadian who first detected the universe's tiniest known particles - ''quarks'' - and an American chemist who recreates natural substances in the lab were honored Wednesday with 1990's final Nobel prizes.

Jerome I. Friedman and Henry W. Kendall of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Canadian Richard E. Taylor of Stanford University will share the$700,000 Nobel Prize in Physics.

''I'm totally overwhelmed, surprised and very honored - all those types of things,'' Friedman, 60, said by telephone from Fort Worth, Texas, where he was attending a symposium. ''I never really thought of that as a real possibility.''

''It's starting to sink in. ... I was sort of in a semi-haze. It's very exciting,'' he said.

The $700,000 Nobel in chemistry went to Elias James Corey, 62, of Harvard University for his work advancing the theory and methodology of organic synthesis.

Corey in the 1960s developed ''retrosynthetic analysis,'' a method of breaking down a natural molecule into its component parts to determine how it can be reassembled in the lab.

''In this way, less complicated building blocks were obtained which could later be assembled in the process of synthesis,'' the Royal Swedish Academy of Science said in its award citation.

In particular, the academy said, Corey's achievement was to show how his

method lent itself easily to computer programing, starting a process of computer synthetic planning ''which is developing rapidly.''

Friedman, Kendall and Corey were the sixth, seventh and eighth Americans to win 1990 Nobel prizes.

The two MIT researchers were the 54th and 55th Americans to win the physics prize, which has gone to 137 laureates since it was first awarded in 1901. Taylor was the first Canadian. The Nobel to Corey was the 37th of the 115 chemistry awards to go to an American.

The 1990 awards, now all announced, will be presented to the laureates on Dec. 10, the anniversary of the death of Alfred Nobel, the Swedish inventor of dynamite who created the prizes in his 1895 will.

The three physicists were cited for research more than 20 years ago that led to an explosion of understanding of the most fundamental nature of matter.

Their work confirmed the existence of quarks, the building blocks used to form neutrons and protons. Those particles, in turn, comprise the bulk of the atom, the building block of the molecule, the basis of all matter.

''Their discoveries are a breakthrough in our understanding of the structure of matter,'' the academy said in its award citation.

Kendall, 64, said in a telephone interview from Cambridge, Mass., that he was ''overwhelmed'' and had not expected to win.

''I don't think one can ever really expect this sort of thing for sure,'' he said. ''It comes as a surprise. I haven't got my feet on the ground yet.''

''Numb, I guess, is the the closest word,'' said Taylor, 60, in a telephone interview from his home on the Stanford campus in Palo Alto, Calif. ''I certainly didn't expect it. It will probably hit me in a day or two.''

The award was for a series of experiments conducted at Stanford beginning in the late 1960s that provided the first physical evidence of the existence of fundamental particles called quarks. Previously, such particles had only been theorized to exist.

''A model had been proposed, but nobody took it seriously until one got physical evidence for it. We did the experiments that provided the first physical evidence. From that, people took the quark model seriously,'' Taylor said.

''You take electrons and scatter them and observe how they scatter from the proton. Looking at the scattered particles, we saw very tiny nuggets,'' he said.

Quarks are subatomic particles that make up the protons and neutrons that, with electrons, form all matter. The original quark theory postulated there were three types of quarks. There are now believed to be at least six, known as the down quark, the up quark, the strange quark, the charm quark, the bottom quark and the top quark.

''These are the most fundamental particles we have found so far and it would be very logical if there are no smaller particles,'' said Ingvar Lindgren, a member of the Nobel committee.

Lindgren said the research was not just a ''flash of lightning,'' but that the three men had a ''nose for what was interesting and the patience to work on many thought was boring.''

He said there were initially three groups working on the research that led to the quark, ''but the others quit.''

In making the chemistry award to Corey, the Swedish academy said the development of the art of organic synthesis in the past century has led to efficient methods of manufacturing products such as plastics, artifical fibers paints and dyes, biocides and pharmaceutical products.

''All of these products have contributed to the high standard of living and health, and the longevity enjoyed at least in the Western world,'' the academy said.

''Corey ... has produced some hundred important natural products, for example the active substance in an extract from the gingko tree, used in folk medicine in China,'' the academy said in its citation.

Americans Harry Markowitz of City University of New York, Merton Miller of the University of Chicago and William Sharpe of Stanford University received the Nobel economics prize Tuesday. The 1990 medicine prize was awarded Oct. 8 to two Americans, Joseph E. Murray and E. Donnall Thomas.

The Nobel Peace Prize was awarded Monday to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. The literature prize went to Mexican writer and poet Octavio Paz on Oct 11.

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BOSTON (OCT. 17) UPI - The co-manager of the New Kids on the Block has been barred from using his share of the profits from the highly successful singing group, other than what he needs for living and business expenses, because of a bankruptcy case.

Lawyers for Maurice Starr of Boston and Jeffrey Furst, a Brookline entrepreneur, agreed Tuesday to freeze Starr's profits pending a Nov. 15 hearing.

Furst has filed for bankruptcy and is suing Starr, claiming they are two of four equal partners in the New Kids. As such, Furst is trying to claim part of the millions reaped by Starr from the success of the Boston-based singing and dancing group.

The agreement was entered into Tuesday before U.S. Bankruptcy Chief Judge James Gabriel.

Until the hearing, all profits Starr gets from the New Kids or related businesses will go into a bank account controlled by his lawyers. Starr will only have access for what he needs for business and living expenses, the agreement stipulates.

Furst's estate is seeking to prove he is entitled to a share of the profits, and seeks at least $5 million to pay Furst's debts.

Furst said Starr refused to honor an oral agreement after the group soared to success.

Starr denied there was such a deal.

Starr's lawyer said there ''never was any agreement, oral or written, with Mr. Furst concerning the New Kids on the Block.''

Furst's lawyers, however, insisted there was a spoken agreement.

Furst claims he and a reputed mobster, James Martorano, loaned Starr $137,000 in exchange for a share in the New Kids.

Martorano has previously served prison time for convictions on loansharking and racketeering. Law enforcement officials say he is linked to organized crime.

Martorano's son, James A. Green, is a director of a corporation bearing Starr's and Furst's names.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen r	1pm	49	09

Amstrdm r	1pm	56	13
Ankara c	3pm	68	20
Athens c	2pm	74	23
Auckland r	12m	58	14
Beijing c	8pm	60	16
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin pc	1pm	65	18
Bonn cy	1pm	62	17
Brussels r	1pm	60	15
Cairo d	2pm	82	28
Casblnc cy	12n	69	21
Copnhgn cy	1pm	53	12
Dakar d	12n	87	31
Dublin r	1pm	55	13
Geneva cy	1pm	62	17
Helsinki fy	2pm	51	11
Hong Kng c	8pm	78	25
Jerusalm c	2pm	83	29
Karachi c	5pm	95	35
Lisbon pc	1pm	63	17
London cy	1pm	63	17
Madrid pc	1pm	61	16
Malta pc	1pm	81	27
Manila cy	8pm	80	27
Moscow c	3pm	58	15
Nairobi cy	3pm	80	27
Nassau c	7am	79	26
New Dlh cy	6pm	89	31
Nice cy	1pm	69	21
Oslo pc	1pm	59	15
Paris pc	1pm	70	21
Pretoria pc	2pm	72	22
Riyadh m	3pm	95	35
Rome pc	1pm	70	21
Seoul c	9pm	50	10
Sofia c	2pm	59	15
Stockhlm c	1pm	57	14
Sydney c	10pm	63	17
Taipei c	8pm	74	23
Tokyo cy	9pm	69	21
Tunis pc	1pm	82	28
Vienna c	1pm	63	17
Warsaw c	1pm	65	19

Latin America

Buens Ars cy	9am	62	17
Caracas m	8am	mm	mm
Havana c	7am	74	23

Lima cy	7am	61	16
Mexic Cty hz	6am	54	12
Rio de Jnr cy	9am	70	21
Santiago fy	8am	47	09

Canada

Calgary m	--	-
Edmonton m	--	-
Montreal m	--	-
Ottawa m	--	-
Regina m	--	-
Toronto m	--	-
Vancouver m	--	-
Winnipeg m	--	-

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-86.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 128.50-130.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 42.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 48.00-55.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $235.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per

pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $391.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $400.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$114.17 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 301.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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PARIS (OCT. 17) UPI - UNESCO's Executive Council voted Wednesday to demand that Israel immediately reopen all schools in the occupied territories.

The resolution, passed by acclamation, expressed ''serious concern given the continuing disturbances in the occupied Palestinian territories.''

The resolution ''condemns once again all the violations of academic liberty in all its forms.''

The resolution, which must still be approved by the full United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, urged the ''immediate re-opening of teaching establishments at all levels in the occupied territories.''

Most of the elementary and secondary schools in the occupied territories have been reopened. Four universities remained closed by military order.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 17) UPI - Department heads at Harvard College have been asked to cut their budgets by up to 6 percent to stave off what may be the largest budget deficit ever to hit the nation's most prestigious school, the Boston Globe reported Wednesday.

Harvard's Acting Dean Henry Rosovsky asked for the cuts in an Oct. 5 letter to members of Harvard College's Faculty of Arts and Sciences, the paper reported.

He said the department cuts, regular monitoring of spending and certain actions to increase ''unrestricted income'' could trim $2.8 million from a projected $13.4 million deficit.

The deficit exceeded $11 million in fiscal 1990 and the projected rise to $13.4 million in 1991 is considered ''unprecedented,'' Rosovsky said.

He wrote that while the cutbacks may affect services to students and faculty in such areas as the school's Science Center and Media Services, the salaries of instructors will not be affected.

Rosovsky became acting dean in June, replacing A. Michael Spence, and wrote the letter as an annual financial report to the faculty.

In his letter, Rosovsky blamed part of the deficit on some of Spence's policy decisions. He said $3.5 million of the deficit resulted from Spence's decision to finance campus building renovations by drawing from the university's estimated $5 billion endowment.

''He believed it was sufficiently important to make progress toward the faculty's academic progress toward the faculty's academic goals that he was willing to borrow, so to speak, against future campaign receipts, '' Rosovsky said.

Another $2 million of the deficit came from investments in housing programs and new research programs Spence initiated to try to recruit faculty, he said.

The deficit comes at a time when many of the nation's colleges and universities are grappling with financial problems. Stanford University is cutting staff and administration to try to trim 13 percent from its budget and keep tuition down.

Dartmouth College and Columbia University plan to cut staff and Brown University has instituted a hiring freeze.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 17) UPI - The Coca-Cola Co. said Wednesday its earnings rose 9.1 percent to $394.2 million, or 58 cents a share, in the third quarter, compared with $361.7 million, or 51 cents a share, in the same period last year.

Revenues increased to $2.8 billion from $2.2 billion.

For the nine months, earnings climbed 12.5 percent to $1 billion, or $1.60 a share, compared with $967 million, or $1.36 a share last year. Revenues rose to $7.7 billion from $6.4 billion.

Third-quarter results were not as dramatic as the second quarter's, when earnings climbed 19.2 percent to $405.1 million, or 61 cents a share, compared with $339.8 million, or 49 cents a share, on revenues of $2.33 billion.

Net income available to common shareholders rose 9.4 percent to $389.4 million from $356 million in the third quarter, due mainly to a two-for-one stock split announced in May.

Nine-month income available to common shareholders climbed 12.9 percent to $1 billion, excluding non-recurring gains and charges.

During the third quarter, Coca-Cola reported non-recurring gains of about 5 cents a share on its investment in BCI Holdings and 5 cents on the accelerated amortization of software costs and adjustments to the carrying value of fountain equipment.

Coca-Cola, which made nearly 80 percent of its earnings abroad last year, said its international business continued to grow during the third quarter.

Worldwide retail case sales increased 9 percent in the third quarter. Revenues from per-case sales rose more than 10 percent and domestic case sales grew more than 5 percent.

Coke's operating income grew 22 percent in the third quarter, excluding non-recurring charges.

The company said its earnings growth was fueled by higher soft drink gallon sales, significant profit expansion at Coca-Cola Foods and the translation benefits of a 10 percent weaker U.S. dollar against hard foreign currencies.

The Pacific region led Coke's international sectors with a 23 percent growth in per-gallon sales of concentrates and syrups and a 16 percent rise in retail case sales.

Gallon sales grew 17 percent in Japan, led by the continuing momentum of Coca-Cola light, successful marketing and promotional activities for Sprite and the introduction of Sprite lite.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - U.S. industrial production increased a stronger than expected 0.2 percent in September, mainly on a jump in the output of motor vehicles and parts, the Federal Reserve reported Wednesday.

Excluding cars, trucks and vans, production fell 0.1 percent.

Capacity utilization - the percentage of America's industrial muscle being used - remained unchanged from August at 83.6 percent.

Economists anticipated a 0.2 percent decline in the output of the nation's factories, utilities and mines for September and predicted a capacity utilization rate of 82.9 percent.

In August, industrial production increased a revised 0.1 percent after an initial report of a 0.2 percent decline. July's figure was also revised up to 0.2 percent.

''Output has been up for the five past months that is not a recession,'' said Jean Sundrla, an economist at Evans Economics in Washington. ''We are seeing an economy that is plodding along, but not screeching to a halt here.''

As a result of the revisions, Robert Dederick, chief economist at Northern Trust in Chicago, and other analysts questioned whether the recession actually started in the third quarter.

''The earlier signs of deterioration here have been obliterated,'' Dederick said. ''There's been more strength in the industrial sector than we realized.''

But Sundrla cautioned, ''The pace is slow compared to what we've seen for the last eight years, but still no recession.'' She also said if no one buys the cars produced by Detroit, excess inventories could add to an economic downturn as more auto workers are laid off.

The Fed said September's output of motor vehicles and parts leaped 7.5 percent ''boosting the indexes for both consumer goods and business equipment.''

But ''with production of motor vehicles and parts excluded, industrial production edged down in September,'' the Fed said. ''Output of consumer non-durable goods and energy materials rose sharply, but production in most other major market categories declined.''

During the last 12 months, U.S. industrial production has increased 2.2 percent to 110.7 percent of its 1987 annual average.

''On a quarterly average basis, industrial production in the third quarter grew at nearly the same pace as in the second quarter,'' the Fed said. ''However, the average monthly gain during the summer was about one-half of that posted during the preceding quarter.''

Manufacturing production scored its second consecutive 0.2 percent increase in September, on identical gains for both durable and non- durable goods

industries.

Mining production edged up 0.4 percent last month after falling 1.7 percent in August, while the production of the nation's utilities was up 0.9 percent following a 1.3 percent August gain.

The capacity utilization of factories, meanwhile, stood at 82.8 percent in September, while the rate for mines was 89 percent and the rate for utilities was 88.1 percent.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 17) UPI - When the Procrastinators' Club gathers to select its Procrastinator of the Year, it's usually difficult to make a choice. But this year, the club president said, there was no contest.

The 1990 Procrastinators of the Year are President Bush and Congress for their inaction on the federal budget, said Les Waas, president of the Philadelphia group.

He said Bush and lawmakers were honored for ''outstanding procrastination in making the current budget decisions.''

The federal government has been tied in knots for most of the past month as lawmakers attempt to cut the deficit. Federal agencies have already been shut down once, and a Friday deadline looms for another shutdown if a budget agreement is not finalized.

The club usually puts off making the award until well after each year ends, but Waas said this year there was really no question of who the honoree would be.

''It was one of these situations where it just came to us, rather than having to look for a procrastinator of the year,'' Waas said. ''Usually the committee is lax in getting to the selection, but it was made for us this year.''

Waas said the committee also got around to dispensing a piece of budget advice for Bush and Congress:

''Spend the money first and then determine a budget later - procrastinate until the money has been spent, because then the budget will always balance,'' Waas said.

The group has in the past honored Jack Benny for putting off his 40th birthday the Illinois Central Railroad for a train that left its station in 1903 and never arrived, and the Arizona Republic newspaper for publishing an issue with a Nov. 31 date.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - Work on trying to find the tiniest sub-atomic particles known has led to awarding of the 1990 Nobel Prize for Physics to two researchers from the United States and a third from Canada. The research goes back 20 years on what are called ''quarks.'' And it led to major increases in the understanding of the fundamental structures of matter. Sharing the award are Jerome Friedman and Henry Kendall of M-I-T and Canadian Richard Taylor of Stanford University.

And another American has picked up the 1990 Nobel Prize in Chemistry. The award goes to Elias Corey of Harvard University for what are called his ''important contributions to synthetic organic chemistry.'' The awards are worth about 700-thousand dollars to the winners, and the chemistry prize today wrapped up the cycle of 1990 honors.

The Federal Reserve reports a small, two-tenths of one percent increase for industrial production last month, mostly because of increased automobile production. But that was because more auto plants came on line following the traditional summer shutdown ahead of the new model year. The Fed report shows capacity utilization remained unchanged in September from August at 83-point-six percent. It is the figure that shows what part of overall capacity is actually being used.

The home construction industry continues a pullback that has now gone on for a record eight months. The Commerce Department reports a six- tenths of one percent drop in new construction in September following a one percent drop in August. That means fewer new homes will be on the market several months from now when present construction efforts are over. And applications for building permits dropped four-point-one percent last month. They are the first step taken toward eventual construction in the months still to come.

Official Radio Hanoi says long-time Vietnamese Communist leader Le Duc Tho was buried with honors today in a state memorial service and funeral. Tho negotiated a Vietnam peace agreement with then- Secretary of State Henry Kissinger in 1973. He rejected a shared Nobel Peace Prize for his work. Tho died on Saturday at the age of 79.

Convicted killer Wilbert Lee Evans and his attorneys are turning to Virginia Governor L. Douglas Wilder and the U-S Supreme Court in a last- ditch attempt to stop his execution tonight. Evans is to die in the electric chair at the Virginia State Penitentiary in Richmond for the 1981 shooting death of a deputy sheriff. Attorneys for Evans argued unsuccessfully in an appeals court that his life should be spared because he protected prison employees during a 1984 death row break-out.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Amer Business Prod (3rd Q)	
$95,023,000	$94,543,000
$3,174,000 (.44)	$3,043,000 (.43)
AST Research Inc (1st Q 9-28)	
$136,286,000	$114,496,000
$11,408,000 (.74)	$2,854,000 (.24)
Aztar Corp (3rd Q)	
$130,596,000	$148,197,000
$2,364,000 (.06)	$4,953,000 (.12)
Bancorp Hawaii (3rd Q)	
....	....
$24,895,000 (1.38)	$21,054,000 (1.29)
Bear Stearns Cos (1st Q 9-28)	
$561,833,000	$580,439,000
$18,015,000 (.17)	$22,062,000 (.20)
Brand Cos (3rd Q)	
$91,246,000	$87,431,000
$3,797,000 (.19)	$3,453,000 (.18)
Chemical Waste Mgmt (3rd Q)	
$298,612,000	$242,885,000
$50,001,000 (.24)	$40,339,000 (.20)
Cincinnati Bell (3rd Q)	
$263,238,000	$223,271,000
a-$23,495,000 (.37)	$22,996,000 (.37)

a-Incloudes a gain of $2,300,000 (.04) from the sale of stake in a joint venture.

Coca-Cola Co (3rd Q 9-30)	
$2,792,754,000	$2,206,550,000
$394,172,000 (.58)	$361,268,000 (.51)
Dun & Bradstreet (1st Q 9-30)	
$1,159,582,000	$1,042,416,000

$139,729,000 (.77) $155,258,000 (.83)

Family Dollar Stores (4th Q 8-31)
$222,728,000 $201,979,000
$5,689,000 (.21) $3,613,000 (.13)

First Alabama Bancshares (3rd Q)
....
$18,227,000 (.56) $15,889,000 (.48)

First Interstate Bancorp (3rdQ)
....
$1555,423,000 (2.39) d-$15,563,000
d-Deficit.

Fleet-Norstar Fncl (3rd Q)
....
$38,458,000 (.33) $96,392,000 (.86)

Genl Public Utils (3rd Q)
$817,103,000 $773,259,000
$101,943,000 (1.84) $101,024,000 (1.80)

Great Western Fncl (3rd Q)
....
$37,000,000 (.29) $68,000,000 (.52)

Hawaiian Electric (3rd Q)
$243,549,000 $240,039,000
$16,597,000 (.77) $18,598,000 (.88)

Kroger Co (3rd Q 10-6)
$5,974,326,000 $5,533,949,000
$464,000 (.01) d-$4,024,000
d-Deficit.

Leslie Fay (3rd Q 9-29)
$268,655,000 $256,169,000
$15,427,000 (.81) $13,487,000 (.71)

Manufacturers Natl (3rd Q)
....
$29,137,000 (1.91) $27,368,000 (1.80)

MCI Communications (3rd Q 9-30)
$2,003,000,000 $1,677,000,000
d-$168,000,000 $165,000,000 (.62)
d-Deficit, After one-time charge of $550,000, 000 for accelerated

digitization of the company's network. Adjusting for the charge and other non-recurring items, MCI said net earnings would have been $180,000, 000 (.71).

Parker Hannifin (1st Q 9-30)
$615,591,000 a-$572,421,000
$23,902,000 (.49) $23,361,000 (.48)
a-Restated to reflect discontinued operations.

Philip Morris (3rd Q 9-30)
$12,818,000,000 $11,086,000,000
$937,000,000 (1.01) $748,000,000 (.81)

Precision Castparts (2nd Q 9-30)
$130,000,000 $110,900,000
$8,000,000 (.46) $7,200,000 (.43)

Publ Serv Enterpr Group (3rd Q)
$1,190,032,000 $1,155,033,000
$181,898,000 (.86) $174,723,000 (.85)

Sealed Air (3rd Q)
$100,662,000 $92,490,000
$2,430,000 (.28) $1,039,000 (.12)

Snap-On Tools (3rd Q 9-29)
$227,889,000 $212,577,000
$25,210,000 (.61) $23,351,000 (.57)

Society Corp (3rd Q)
.... a-....
$39,948,000 (1.21) $37,271,000 (1.03)
a-Restated to reflect the Jan. 5 merger of Trustcorp Inc. into Society Corp. which was accounted for as a pooling-of-interests.

Square D (3rd Q)
$428,575,000 $403,533,000
$31,914,000 (1.30) $30,729,000 (1.24)

Stanley Works (3rd Q 9-29)
$492,300,000 $487,700,000
a-$27,700,000 (.65) b-$29,000,000 (.65)
a-Includes a gain of $4,000,000 (.06) due to reduction in LIFO inventories.
b-After a charge of $3,200,000 (.04) of expenses for environmental cleanup and plant consolidation activities.

Sumitomo Bank of Calif (3rd Q)
....
$11,700,000 (1.42) $8,960,000 (1.09)

Sundstrand (3rd Q)
$384,200,000 $366,600,000
a-$33,000,000 (.90) $26,300,000 (.71)
a-Income from continuing operations. Includes $6,600,000 pre-tax fromn insurance proceeds in connection with the pending settlement of shareholder lawsuits; and after a charge of $1,900,000 (after taxes) related to the closure of the company's signatron operation.

Union Pacific (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,853,000,000 $1,579,000,000
$161,000,000 (1.61) $137,000,000 (1.35)

United Technologies (3rd Q)
$5,346,300,000 $4,750,300,000
a-$239,800,000 (1.90) $196,700,000 (1.46)
a-Reflects a pre-tax gain of $46,500,000 from the sale of the company's interest in Diavia Spa and Aura SRL.

Valmont Indus (3rd Q 9-29)
$210,622,000 $186,388,000
$2,476,000 (.21) $4,146,000 (.36)

Washington Fedl S & L (4th Q 9-30)
....
$16,130,000 (.74) $16,273,000 (.74)

Washington Mutual Svgs Bk (3rd Q)
....
$13,152,000 (.78) $7,329,000 (.45)

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#90290u0959 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 17) UPI - Union Pacific Corp. of Bethlehem, Pa., one of the nation's major railroad companies, said Wednesday higher freight traffic helped boost third-quarter earnings 17.5 percent, despite rising fuel costs.

Earnings for the quarter reached $161 million, or $1.61 a share, compared with $137 million, or $1.35 a share, for the like 1989 period. Operating revenues rose 17 percent, to $1.85 billion from $1.58 billion a year ago.

Profits at the company's Union Pacific Railroad rose 4 percent to $148 million on the strength of record carloadings, the company said. Profits rose despite a $17 million pre-tax increase in fuel prices, Union Pacific said.

Carloadings rose for all commodities, except forest products.

Higher crude oil prices helped to boost earnings at Union Pacific Resources by 11 percent to $51 million, the company said.

Union Pacific said overall hydrocarbon production rose 21 percent, paced by natural gas production, which rose 36 percent.

Profits at the company's Overnite Transportation unit rose 13 percent before goodwill to $17 million, Union Pacific said.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, company-wide earnings rose 3 percent to $442 million, or $4.41 a share, compared with $428 million, or $3.98 a share, for the same period last year.

Operating revenues rose 13 percent to $5.36 billion from $4.75 billion.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 17) UPI - Russian Deputy Prime Minister Grigory Yavlinsky, co-author of the 500-day plan for a transition to a market economy, resigned in protest Wednesday because the central government is intent on implementing a more conservative plan.

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#90290u1003 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - Lawmakers, in order to keep an eye on the situation in the Middle East, may authorize its leaders to call Congress back into session later this year if needed, House Speaker Thomas Foley said Wednesday.

Under normal procedure, when Congress finishes its work and adjourns only the president can call the lawmakers back into session. This year, however, some members have expressed concern about possible developments in the Middle East where U.S. troops are deployed because of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Several members have called on President Bush to fully consult with Congress before making any further moves, particularly military action.

Foley was asked about a suggestion from Rep. Dante Fascell, D-Fla., chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, that Congress reserve the authority to reconvene if the situation warrants. He indicated support for the plan.

In previous years, Congress occasionally has passed resolutions providing for the recall of Congress ''by consultation of the speaker and the majority

leader of the Senate with the Republican leadership of the House and the Senate,'' Foley said.

Foley said he would tell Fascell that he is ''favorably inclined to the inclusion of such language'' in this year's adjournment resolution.

Congress is trying to finish its work and adjourn some time next week.

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PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. (OCT. 17) UPI - An 80-year-old retired railroad machinist appears to be the second person to die in Florida's encephalitis epidemic, authorities said.

Michael Martin Mulready of Port St. Lucie died at HCA Medical Center Sept. 21.

His widow, Lucy Mulready, said his death certificate lists the cause of death as encephalitis and pneumonia, which he developed after being hospitalized Aug. 30.

Results from an initial encephalitis test were positive, said David Adams with the state Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services in Tallahassee.

A sample of spinal fluid was sent to the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta for a second test. The results were expected back in about two weeks, he said.

On Monday, HRS reported the state's first death from the recent encephalitis outbreak - Alvena Patton, 58, of West Melbourne, who died in a Melbourne hospital Oct. 13, two months after lapsing into a coma.

There have been 35 confirmed cases of encephalitis and 27 presumed cases reported in 15 central and south Florida counties in the recent outbreak, Adams said.

Lucy Mulready said her husband became ill in late August.

''He just complained of a headache, and he says, 'It's something unusual for me to have a headache two days in a row,' so he says, 'I think I'll go to the doctor.'''

He collapsed at home a few days later, was taken to the hospital with a fever, lapsed into and out of consciousness and died on Sept. 21, she said.

Encephalitis is a mosquito-bourne virus that generally causes headache and fever, but it can be fatal to the very young, the very old or the weak.

Health officials have asked residents to stay indoors after dusk, when mosquitoes are most active, or if that is not possible to wear long sleeves and long pants and treat all exposed skin with repellent.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - In their attempts to ward off evil spirits, practitioners of voodoo and similar religions apparently invite into their homes an insidious danger - mercury, a researcher said Wednesday.

A survey of 115 stores that sell ''magical medicines'' and other supplies for practitioners of Latin American and Caribbean religions like Santeria and voodoo found that 99 of the so-called botanicas sold mercury in various forms.

In addition, a ''brief survey'' of botanticas in Mexico, Colombia and the Dominican Republic ''revealed that they too dipense mercury,'' according to a letter published in the British journal Nature.

''Of 28 botanicas visited in New York City, 13 prescribed that mercury be sprinkled on the floor or mixed with soap and water used to mop the floor, to rid the house of evil influences or for other purposes,'' wrote Arnold Wendroff of New York, who conducted the survey.

''Several shopkeepers recommended that mercury should be carried on the person kept in containers in the house, placed in bath water, or mixed with perfume, soap solutions or ammonia and camphor. Others prescribed placing mercury in devotional candles,'' he said.

The use of mercury in those ways could easily release mercury fumes into the air. Mercury can cause a variety of health problems, including brain damage, especially in children and developing fetuses.

''The most likely victims of these practices are young children, exposed to the highest levels of vapor as they sleep, crawl and play on contaminated floors,'' he said.

Wendroff said he contacted New York City health officials, who were investigating the problem.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 73-76.

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#90290u1066 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

JAKARTA (OCT. 17) UPI - The industrialized nations have enough oil in commercial storage to weather the winter if the Middle East crisis remains stalemated, an official of the International Energy Agency said Wednesday.

Paul Vlaanderen said that if the present situation did not change, it was anticipated that oil companies would draw about 1.3 and 1.5 million barrels a day of their stocks during the next two quarters to make up for oil lost from the U.N. embargo of Iraq and Kuwait.

The head of the IEA's non-member countries division told an International Energy Conference here that by the end of winter, the oil companies would still have 65 days of consumption in their stocks, a relatively low level.

The IEA is made up of the world's 21 largest oil-consuming, industrialized nations of the Organization for Economic Development and Cooperation and monitors world consumption and production.

Saudi Arabia and other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, which pumps more than a third of the world's oil, have largely made up for the 4.3 million barrels lost daily through the U.N. embargo.

Vlaanderen estimated at a news conference that the oil-producing countries could add up to 1 million barrels more daily by the end of the year.

His comments were seen as a reply to the call Tuesday by four oil OPEC oil ministers for the industrialized nations to dampen spiraling world prices by releasing crude from their strategic reserves, held in addition to the commercial stocks of oil companies.

The IEA shows that ''world crude oil markets are still adequately supplied, and no product shortfalls have been experienced to date,'' the official said.

He said the present situation was manageable, but not comfortable with prices fluctuating ''based upon fears of war or hopes for peace in the Middle East.''

The IEA and its members have refused several times since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait to tap the strategic reserves on the grounds that serious shortages did not exist.

There were concerns that the world might be confronted by additional supply interruptions, perhaps from a war in the Middle East, Vlaanderen said, and IEA nations stand ready to meet this contingency.

''The countries of the IEA have - so to say - their fingers on the button - and are ready to undertake stock draws and/or demand-restraint measures immediately if additional shortfalls develop,'' he said.

Asked by reporters at a news conference later in the day about possible cooperation between OPEC and IEA to solve the current market situation, Vlaanderen said ''We think that the cooperation should be done by basically the buyers and sellers. And that kind of cooperation is most fruitful to help us in the future.''

OPEC Secretary General Subroto said the situation highlighted the need for ''trilateral'' cooperation involving producers, oil companies and consuming countries to prevent steep price increases and damaging price fluctuations.

Subroto noted that only the United States so far has announced that it will release a 5 million-barrel trickle in a test of its Strategic Petroleum Reserve, which holds around 590 million barrels.

This is a great pity, and a clear indication that despite OPEC appeals ''the concept of real co-ooperation between producers and consumers for oil market stability still seems to fall on the deaf (ears) of the majority.''

There has been considerable criticism that the doubling of crude oil prices in the last 10 weeks on the oil-trading exchanges has resulted from speculation of a Middle East war rather than actual oil shortages.

Vlaanderen said that there should be a properly functioning market, with producers selling oil at fair prices.

''The dialogue should be between the producers and those who buy their oil. We should all be mindful of our common interest in a functioning market operating without distortions,'' Vlaanderen said.

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#90290u1084 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
SAN CLEMENTE ISLAND, Calif. (OCT. 17) UPI - A Marine F/A-18 Hornet fighter-bomber apparently crashed into the sea off San Clemente Island during night carrier-landing training, Marine Corps officials said Wednesday.

Voice and radar contact with the jet was lost around 9:30 p.m. PDT Tuesday, said Lt. Gene Browne, a spokesman for El Toro Marine Air Station in Orange County.

No wreckage from the single-seat jet was spotted and there was no sign of the pilot, Lt. Mark J. Gelgean.

''Ground control approach lost radar contact ... during field carrier-landing practices,'' Browne said.

The Coast Guard dispatched a Falcon jet and two helicopters from San Diego along with the 82-foot cutter Point Stewart to an area four miles northeast of San Clemente Island, about 60 miles northwest of San Diego, said Coast Guard spokeswoman Brenda Toledo. Two Navy vessels and two helicopters were also involved in the search.

The aircraft was assigned to a training squadron at El Toro.

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#90290u1093 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 17) UPI - Harvard Professor Elias Corey has won this year's Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work in synthetic organic chemistry that allowed for production of a number of natural products. The announcement by the Royal Swedish Academy ends the 1990 Nobel awards cycle.

The 1990 Physics prize went to two Americans and a Canadian for their pioneering work on ''quarks''- the smallest known sub-atomic particles. The 700-thousand-dollar prize will be shared by Jerome Friedman and Henry Kendall of M-I-T and Canadian Richard Taylor of Stanford University.

The Senate debates a deficit-reduction plan of its own today. But it is different from one narrowly approved in the House yesterday. That means a conference committee will have to iron out any differences. The House bill has already drawn the promise of a veto from President Bush.

There will be remembrances throughout the San Francisco Bay area and across northern California today for something residents might just want to forget, the earthquake that hit at 8:04 P-M, E-D-T, one year ago. 62 people died in the quake and its aftermath.

The government has good and bad economic news today. The good is that U-S

industrial production increased two-tenths of one percent last month as auto plants turned out more cars and parts. The bad news is that housing starts dropped for the eighth straight month, down six-tenths of one percent in September.

Israel today began handing out gas masks to Arab residents of East Jerusalem, one week after the army began giving masks to Israeli citizens and residents. About 140-thousand Jerusalem Arabs are considered Israeli residents. Officials say they can pick up their masks at 21 distribution centers.

The army says Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip will receive chemical warfare kits later. But the Arabs in the occupied territories will have to pay for them because they don't make national insurance payments. Israel is distributing the gas masks in case Iraq launches a chemical attack.

U-N Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar says military action to oust Iraq from Kuwait would be legitimate if sanctions fail. The U-N chief told a German magazine that the Security Council must wait to see whether the blockade of Iraq will show some effect.

The Washington-based Institute for a Drug-Free Workplace says 24 percent of workers nation-wide say they know of illicit drug use by co- workers on the job. Workers interviewed for the Institute's survey say they strongly support measures to eliminate drug use at work, including testing of job applicants.

Considerable tension is reported in talks between the prime ministers of both Koreas as they meet in North Korea's capital today. The session lasted for two hours with both sides outlining their ideas for reuniting the country. Another meeting is set for tomorrow.

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#90290u1095 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (OCT. 17) UPI - America West Airlines Inc. has won U.S. Department of Transportation approval to operate flights from Nagoya, Japan, to Las Vegas with one stop in Honolulu, county officials announced Tuesday.

Clark County Commission chairman Bruce Woodbury said the service, the first regularly scheduled foreign flight into McCarran International Airport, would make Las Vegas more accessible to a sizeable number of Japanese tourists.

American West plans to inaugurate the flights in early 1991 with 381-passenger, B747-200 aircraft, officials said.

Woodbury said some figures indicate one daily non-stop, wide-body flight to a U.S. city from Japan can generate more than $700 million in economic impact on a community.

Flights from Nagoya to Las Vegas will stop in Honolulu, but return flights will require a connection in Phoenix, Ariz., before returning to Nagoya by way of Hawaii.

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#90290u1096 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - Senate and House negotiators agreed Wednesday on a $288.3 billion military authorization bill that limits the B-2 stealth bombers to a fleet of 15 previously approved by Congress.

The compromise, worked out during lengthy negotiations, denied funds for any additional planes in fiscal 1991 or the future but includes $1.8 billion for research and development.

The compromise Pentagon authorization bill must pass the Senate and the House before it can be sent to President Bush for his approval.

The negotiators also agreed on $2.9 billion for ''Star Wars'' - the strategic defense initiative - that is about $900 million less than approved last year. It marks the first time since 1986 that the authorization for SDI has dipped below $3 billion a year.

The stealth bomber is a futuristic plane that can penetrate enemy radar and take a nuclear payload to its target. The Pentagon has envisioned a fleet of 75 planes.

Strong opposition to the B-2 bomber has increased with the end of the Cold War and the economic breakdown in the Soviet Union. The projected cost of 75 planes has been put at $65 billion.

The compromise agreement not to build more planes but to continue research and development means that Congress will have to fight over the fate of the bomber again next year.

Chairman Les Aspin, D-Wis., of the House Armed Services Committee, said the bill ''overall is still dominated by the fading Soviet threat but it takes the first steps toward providing a new defense for the new, post-Cold War era.

''One thing that means is less emphasis on strategic weapons and more on handling crises like the one we have now in the Persian Gulf,'' Aspin said.

The bill eliminates authorization for new planes or advance procurement for new planes in fiscal 1991, although it contains $2.3 billion for procurement.

Nearly all of the $2.3 billion will be absorbed by cost overruns identified by the Air Force. Further overruns for the 15 planes are expected to consume the rest.

The House voted to provide no procurement money for the B-2 and to terminate the program after production of 15 planes. The Senate authorized two new planes and provided $2.7 billion in fiscal 1991 toward a full fleet of the stealth bomber.

''The Senate got most of its dollars,'' Aspin said. ''We kept the program at 15 planes.''

The negotiators also rejected the administration's request to kill the V-22 Osprey, a horizontal-vertical warplane for the Marine Corps, designed to move more toops farther and faster than the largest troop- carryingg helicopters.

The Senate-House conferees approved $365 million for advance procurement of long-lead items for prototypes used in operational tests and $238 million for research and development.

In addition, the negotiators settled on a $680 million pool for research and development on competing inter-continental ballistic missile systems - the rail-based MX and the Midgetman. The conferees agreed that no more than one mobile ICBM should be deployed.

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#90290u1117 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, Kenya (OCT. 17) UPI - The giant central African state of Zaire, in a surprise move Wednesday, withdrew troops it deployed to Rwanda two weeks ago to help its smaller neighbor fend off invading rebels, the official Zairean news agency reported.

On the diplomatic front, Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens traveled to Uganda and met with President Yoweri Museveni to pressure him into helping stop the 17-day-old civil war in neighboring Rwanda. Museveni later flew to Tanzania to meet with Rwandese President Juvenal Habyarimana.

Official Radio Rwanda, monitored in Nairobi, said the shooting war continued in the northeast part of Rwanda between rebels mostly of the minority Tutsi tribe against government forces, primarily of the majority Hutu tribe. The radio said rebels had begun infiltrating the capital Kigali.

Zaire's 500 troops had been fighting alongside Rwandese soldiers for about two weeks - since shortly after some 2,000 Rwandese rebels invaded from neighboring Uganda on Sept. 30 in a bid to overthrow President Juvenal Habyarimana.

The Zaire news agency AZAP said Zaire's troops were taking part in a military operation against rebels within about a mile of the Ugandan border when they were ordered to return to Goma in western Zaire to await developments.

While Zaire gave no immediate explanation for the withdrawal, it appeared to mark irritation at the Belgian initiative and attempts to involve the U.N. Security Council.

''It is believed that the Zairean authorities took this action in the political and diplomatic climate that has developed .. including what some observers call 'scheming','' AZAP said, adding previous regional problems had been solved without outside interference.

Zaire and Rwanda's southern neighbor Burundi declined to attend talks initiated by Belgium, the former colonial power in all three countries.

Martens began a peace-seeking mission to the region Sunday on behalf of Rwanda a former Belgian protectorate. He was accompanied on the trip to Uganda by foreign minister Mark Eyskens and defense minister Guy Coeme.

The Belgian premier met an hour with Museveni, but would not comment later on the talks, saying only ''an initiative will be taken to calm the insurgency in Rwanda.''

Museveni flew immediately after the talks to Tanzania to meet Habyarimana and Tanzanian President Ali Hassan Mwinyi at Mwanza, on Lake Victoria, 530 miles northwest of Dar Es Salaam. His foreign minister Paul Semogerere told journalists Museveni assured the Belgians of his commitment to settling the problem and pledged assistance to Habyarimana.

Habyarimana meanwhile planned to fly Thursday to Paris to meet President Francois Mitterrand, who along with Belgium sent troops two weeks ago to protect Europeans in Rwanda.

According to Rwandese ambassador to Kenya, Cyprien Habimana, the rebels in his country now number as many as 20,000, despite a Ugandan pledge to seal its southern border and Museveni's assertions he was ignorant of rebel plans.

''If he (Museveni) wants to, he can stop the war the same day,'' Habimana said. ''He holds the key. They can't fight a war if they have no food. They can't fight a war if they have no weapons. It's a question of recruitment, weapons, training and logistics.''

''If he keeps his promise to seal the border, the fighting can stop,'' he said.

There are 80,000 Rwandese refugees in Uganda alone, and about 300,000 scattered across other countries in the area. They are mostly long-term fugitives from tribal massacres in the 1960s.

The rebel Rwandese Patriotic Front has said its war is partly motivated by Rwandese intransigence about accomodating returning refugees.

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#90290u1119 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT 17) UPI - U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar said in an interview published Wednesday that military intervention against Iraq would be legitimate if sanctions failed to budge Iraqi troops from occupied Kuwait.

Iraq reiterated its uncompromising stance even though Saddam Hussein earlier had sought to link an Iraqi pullout from Kuwait to an Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territories.

''There is no change in Iraq's stand on current national and pan-Arab issues '' an Iraqi information ministry spokesman told Baghdad Radio.

''Kuwait became an eternal part of Iraq on August 8 ... no Iraqi official has ever said that the whole of Kuwait is not Iraqi,'' the spokesman added.

Perez de Cuellar said in remarks published Wednesday in the German weekly magazine Stern that ''the members of the U.N. Security Council will have to wait a little and see whether sanctions will after all show some effect.''

He said if the economic sanctions do not work, military action against Iraq ''would be perfectly legitimate'' should the Security Council decide to sanction such a move.

Perez de Cuellar added if the U.N. managed to resolve the crisis, ''we will then have to immediately make efforts concerning the Palestinian problem.''

The Soviet Union hinted earlier this week that Saddam might be willing to soften his position if he received pledges the United States would not attack him but Moscow on Tuesday denied any compromise formula had been worked out.

Kremlin diplomatic trouble-shooter Yevgeny Primakov had given the first indication of a possible weakening in Iraq's resolve after meeting Saddam in Baghdad.

And King Hussein of Jordan told Amman Radio Wednesday that Iraq had considered pulling out of Kuwait 48 hours after his Aug. 2 invasion provided the Arab League gave him full backing. But the Arab League failed to do so and Saddam incorporated Kuwait into Iraq a few days later, the radio quoted Hussein as saying.

During talks with Italian Premier Giulio Andreotti in Rome Tuesday Primakov said his country still remained optimistic that a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis could be worked out. The Soviet envoy was scheduled to meet French President Francois Mitterrand in Paris later on Wednesday.

In advance of President Bush's scheduled meeting with Primakov, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the administration had already heard some of what the Soviet envoy had to report but looked forward to a first-hand account.

Asked if Bush was encouraged by what he heard, Fitzwater said, ''no,'' adding that the conversations between Saddam and Primakov had evidently produced ''no real change'' in the standoff.

At the same time, Fitzwater said the administration had ''no reason'' to believe that the Soviets were more willing than the United States to accept a partial solution to the crisis.

Recent talk of a possible compromise prompted exiled Kuwaiti leaders in Saudi Arabia to vow Tuesday that they would not surrender ''even an inch'' of their country's territory to Saddam in any settlement. Syria, which together with Egypt and Morocco has sent troops to Saudi Arabia, said Iraq must withdraw from the emirate and restore its legitimate government.

In other developments Wednesday:

-Defense Secretary Dick Cheney arrived in Moscow for talks with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and other Soviet officials. Cheney's talks with Gorbachev were expected to touch on the Persian Gulf crisis but a Soviet official denied the Soviet leader intended to share information about Iraq, a close ally of Moscow before its invasion of Kuwait.

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OMAHA (OCT. 17) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves 700; trading on light mid- week run of slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, prices fully steady with Tuesday; slaughter cows 1.00-2.00 lower; steers scattered loads and lots choice 2-4 1100-1300 lb 77.50-78.00, near 3 1/2 loads 78.75- 79.00, mixed select and choice 75.50-77.50; heifers scattered loads and lots choice 2-4 950-1150 lb 77.50-78.50, near 2 loads 79.00, select and choice 2-3 950-1150 lb 75.50-77.00; cows breaking 50.75-53.25, boning 47.00-54.50, low to average cutter 47.00-49.25.

Hogs 1,200; butchers steady with Tuesday's close; No 1-3 220-260 lb mainly 58.00, range 57.50-58.50; No 2-3 260-280 lb 56.50-57.50, extremes No 1-3 260-270 lb 58.00; sows steady to 1.00 lower; No 1-3 350-500 lb 48.25-48.50, No2-3 500-650 lb 51.00-52.00.

Sheep None.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - Senate and House negotiators agreed Wednesday on a $288.3 billion military authorization bill that limits the B-2 stealth bombers to a fleet of 15 previously approved by Congress.

The compromise, worked out during lengthy negotiations, denied funds for any additional planes in fiscal 1991 or the future but includes $1.8 billion for research and development.

The compromise Pentagon authorization bill must pass the Senate and the House before it can be sent to President Bush for his approval.

The negotiators also agreed on $2.9 billion for ''Star Wars'' - the strategic defense initiative - that is about $900 million less than approved last year. It marks the first time since 1986 that the authorization for SDI has dipped below $3 billion a year.

The stealth bomber is a futuristic plane that can penetrate enemy radar and take a nuclear payload to its target. The Pentagon has envisioned a fleet of 75 planes.

Strong opposition to the B-2 bomber has increased with the end of the Cold War and the economic breakdown in the Soviet Union. The projected cost of 75 planes has been put at $65 billion.

The compromise agreement not to build more planes but to continue research and development means that Congress will have to fight over the fate of the bomber again next year.

Chairman Les Aspin, D-Wis., of the House Armed Services Committee, said the bill ''overall is still dominated by the fading Soviet threat but it takes the first steps toward providing a new defense for the new, post-Cold War era.

''One thing that means is less emphasis on strategic weapons and more on handling crises like the one we have now in the Persian Gulf,'' Aspin said.

The bill eliminates authorization for new planes or advance procurement for new planes in fiscal 1991, although it contains $2.3 billion for procurement.

Nearly all of the $2.3 billion will be absorbed by cost overruns identified by the Air Force. Further overruns for the 15 planes are expected to consume the rest.

The House voted to provide no procurement money for the B-2 and to terminate the program after production of 15 planes. The Senate authorized two new planes and provided $2.7 billion in fiscal 1991 toward a full fleet of the

stealth bomber.

''The Senate got most of its dollars,'' Aspin said. ''We kept the program at 15 planes.''

The negotiators also rejected the administration's request to kill the V-22 Osprey, a horizontal-vertical warplane for the Marine Corps, designed to move more troops farther and faster than the largest troop- carrying helicopters.

The Senate-House conferees approved $365 million for advance procurement of long-lead items for prototypes used in operational tests and $238 million for research and development.

In addition, the negotiators settled on a $680 million pool for research and development on competing inter-continental ballistic missile systems - the rail-based MX and the Midgetman. The conferees agreed no more than one mobile ICBM should be deployed.

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PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (OCT. 17) UPI - President Vaclav Havel fired Defense Minister Miroslav Vacek on Wednesday and gave temporary control of the armed forces to Prime Minister Marian Calfa.

Havel's office's declined comment on the reasons for the dismisal. Vacek, who served as army chief of staff under Czechoslovakia's former communist government, recently had been criticized for delays in carrying out reforms of the armed services.

Vacek also had come under fire for the army's alleged reluctance to surrender documents to a presidential commission investigating an alleged military plot to take over radio and television stations and suppress the anti-communist uprising in November.

''Havel appreciated the fact that in his function Vacek prevented any misuse of the army against the people, that he fulfilled all orders in a very loyal way and that he began the process of rebuilding the Czechoslovak army,'' Havel's office said in a statement announcing the sacking.

Vacek was quoted by local news media as having offered to resign in a Oct. 3 speech to the Federal Assembly. But the next day, a defense ministry spokesman said Vacek had been misquoted.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - AMR Corp., parent of American Airlines, posted significantly

lower third-quarter profits Wednesday and warned that rising fuel costs could result in a record loss for the fourth quarter and red ink for the whole year.

''Unless we see a dramatic decrease in fuel prices, we will almost surely suffer a record loss for the fourth quarter, which could possibly be large enough to create a loss for the entire year,'' said AMR chairman Robert L. Crandall.

AMR, based in Fort Worth, Texas, said its profit for the quarter fell by 52 percent to $65.6 million, or $1.05 a share, compared with $137 million, or $2.16 a share, for the same period a year ago.

Operating revenues rose 12 percent to $3.1 billion from $2.73 billion.

The company said a 53 percent rise in average fuel costs during the quarter drove down earnings. The average price of jet fuel rose from 59 cents a gallon in July to 90 cents in September, the carrier said.

Each penny increase adds $2 million to the company's monthly expenses.

Julius Maldutis, an airline analyst with Salomon Brothers, said he expects American to outperform the nation's other major airlines, which have yet to report third-quarter results.

The nation's major airlines have imposed two across-the-board fare increases since August totaling about 10 percent, but spokesman have said those higher fares have failed to fully offset the steeper cost of fuel.

Northwest Airlines and Continental Airlines said Tuesday they would raise fares this month by 5.8 percent and 8 percent respectively. Other carriers were expected to follow suit.

American's earnings for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30 fell 58 percent to $175.5 million, or $2.80 a share, compared with $415.9 million, or $6.59 a share, for the same period last year.

Operating revenues rose 10 percent to $8.7 billion from $7.9 billion.

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LAHORE, Pakistan (OCT. 17) UPI - President Ghulam Ishaq Khan filed two new corruption charges against ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto Wednesday.

The president charged Bhutto used intelligence bureau funds amounting to more than $3 million to buy the votes of members of the National Assembly in a crucial no-confidence vote last year, and that she used a Pakistani air force plane to transport the legislators.

Bhutto narrowly survived the Nov. 1 vote, but charges of horse- trading were leveled by both sides in parliament.

Ishaq Khan filed the charges in the special disqualification court in the northeastern city of Lahore, which will decide Oct. 20 whether to admit the cases.

Bhutto is already facing four other corruption charges before the special courts, which were set up by Ishaq Khan in an attempt to bar her and members of her administration from Oct. 24 elections.

Bhutto, 37, has denied the charges, but if found guilty she could be barred from politics for seven years.

Ishaq Khan dismissed Bhutto's 20-month-old government on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to control law and order. He appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi as head of an interim government until the elections.

Bhutto's husband, businessman Asif Ali Zardari, was arrested last week on charges of kidnapping and extortion and remanded into custody until Oct. 24.

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LONDON (OCT. 17) UPI - A.S. Byatt, a 54-year-old teacher of English literature, has won Britain's prestigious 1990 Booker award with her fifth novel, ''Possession,'' an intrigue set in the academic world.

The book was praised for its blend of intellectual fireworks and readability by the panel of judges. The award was made at a London dinner late Tuesday.

''Possession,'' published by British publishers Chatto and Windus, concerns two academics who set out in pursuit of the truth about two Victorian poets who may have been romantically involved.

Included in the book are the imaginary poems written by the poets, adding to its appeal, according to reviewers.

Byatt was educated at Cambridge University and Bryn Mawr University in Pennsylvania. She has written four previous novels and teaches English literature in London.

The prize carries an award of $38,000.

Other books shortlisted for the award were ''The Gate of Angels'' by Penelope Fitzgerald, ''An Awfully Big Adventure'' by Beryl Bainbridge, ''Amongst

Women'' by John McGahern, ''Lies of Silence'' by Brian Moore, and ''Solomon Gursky Was Here'' by Mordechai Richler.

More than 100 novels were originally nominated for this year's award, officials said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - It was another one of those ''read our lips, read our minds'' kind of days at the White House Wednesday, this time over President Bush's resolve to shut down the government in the absence of a deal on the deficit.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater was peppered with questions about what the president said and what the president meant after the emergence of more mixed - or at least hazy - signals of White House budget strategy.

In a round of Congress-bashing Monday and Tuesday, Bush told GOP campaign audiences in five states that Friday night, the current deadline for action on the deficit, would be a final make-or-break point in the budget showdown.

Over the last 10 years, he noted, Congress has managed to slip by such deadlines 37 times by passing stopgap money bills - known as ''continuing resolutions'' - to keep the federal government operating until agreement could be reached on contentious budget matters.

But after reluctantly signing a two-week spending bill Oct. 5 to give the budget process more time, Bush indicated a 38th continuing resolution to keep the government in business past midnight Friday was out of the question.

''Twice now this year, I've signed emergency legislation to add more time to the clock,'' he told one such audience in Dallas. ''Well, this Friday, time's up. The American people deserve more than this stopgap government.''

The tune, if not the words, were the same at campaign stops in Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois and Michigan. ''Enough is enough!'' Bush declared, his patience seemingly gone. ''We can't afford business as usual.''

The threat to veto another stopgap bill seemed firm, which was all the more reason for curiosity Wednesday after White House chief of staff John Sununu hinted Bush might indeed be willing to give Congress more time to complete a budget agreement.

If Congress passed a continuing resolution with ''a really significant reduction in the deficit'' built into it, he said, ''I'm sure the president would, you know, consider that as a good faith extension.''

Bush had said nothing about proof of ''good faith'' Monday or Tuesday, in his demands for passage of a budget agreement on time. Did Sununu's comments, made on the NBC ''Today'' program, signal a certain, limited degree of flexibility?

At the White House, where moves in the budget game have been cloaked in ambiguity and at times confusion, press secretary Marlin Fitzwater would not say. Sununu, he said, ''was simply saying we have to wait and see what we get.''

It was, for the most part, a classic example of ''inside the beltway'' Washington politics, the kind Bush had on one hand deplored and on the other practiced over the previous two days.

The intent: to keep Congress wondering whether failure to produce a $500 billion deficit-reduction plan would plunge the government into chaos, an outcome Bush for which Bush would try to blame the Democrats in the remainder of the fall campaign.

''We've done it once,'' Fitzwater said. ''We're not afraid to do it again.''

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RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (OCT. 17) UPI - A senator and candidate for governor in the northwest state of Rondonia was shot to death in front of his office by two unknown assassins, police said Wednesday.

Olavo Pires, 52, who was the favorite for Nov. 25 runoff elections in the remote jungle state, was killed Tuesday evening in a hail of machine gunfire in Porto Velho, 2,250 miles northwest of Rio de Janeiro.

Police said Pires was shot about 60 times as he got out of his car and that a woman, one of several teachers Pires was scheduled to meet with at his office, was shot and wounded in the legs.

The assassins escaped and Police Chief Jose Elias dos Santos said there were no suspects.

Pires was the second and highest-ranking politician to be assassinated during Brazil's nationwide election campaign for congressional, state and municipal offices.

Francisco da Silva, a candidate for the state assembly in Sao Paulo, was shot to death Sept. 30, three days before the general elections, outside a dance hall he owned in the city of Sao Paulo. Another gun attack at a political rally in Campinas, 60 miles west of Sao Paulo, left a street vendor dead and his 12-year-old son wounded.

Pires, a senator for the Brazilian Labor Party, gained the most votes in the Oct. 3 gubernatorial contest, but because he did not win an absolute majority he was forced into a runoff election with the second- place candidate, Valdir Raupp of the National Reconstruction Party, the party of President Fernando Collor de Mello.

The president of the Superior Election Tribunal, Sidnei Sanches, said he would await word on the results of the police investigation before deciding whether to call another election. According to Brazilian elections rules, he said, a new election would be called if it were determined the crime was politically motivated.

Dos Santos said police were looking into possible political motives for the attack but were not ruling out other motives. He said Pires was the subject of a police investigation in 1988 into possible links to Colombia's notorious Medellin drug cartel.

Rondonia, which borders Bolivia and the Brazilian state of Amazonas, is one of 16 of Brazil's 27 states that will stage runoff elections Nov. 25.

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FREETOWN, Sierra Leone (OCT. 17) UPI - France will send substantial food aid to war-ravaged Liberia, a French Embassy spokesman said Wednesday.

The spokesman said a recent French fact-finding mission found food shortages in Liberia had reached a critical stage.

''The food situation in Monrovia is so serious that the French government has decided to do something. The condition of the people is very sad and they are virtually starving. It is now time to send some food aid,'' he said.

An estimated 2,300 tons of rice destined for Liberia is sitting on a Freetown dock while ship crews refuse to sail to Liberia, a neighboring country on the West African coast. The crews apparently fear for their safety in Liberia, where a civil war has raged since December.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - Three Americans and a Canadian won the final Nobel Prizes of the year today. Jerome Friedman and Henry Kendall of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Richard Taylor of Stanford University will share the physics prize for their work in detecting ''quarks''- the tiniest particles known in the universe. Their work confirmed the existence of quarks, the building blocks used to form neutrons and protons that compose atoms. The reseachers will divide a 700-thousand-dollar award.

Harvard University professor Elias Corey was awarded the Nobel Chemistry prize for his work over two decades advancing the theory and methodology of organic synthesis. In the 1960's, Corey developed a method of breaking down a natural molecule into component parts to determine how it can be reassembled in the laboratory. The 1990 Nobel Prizes will be presented to the laureates in Stockholm on December 10th, the anniversary of the death of Alfred Nobel, the Swedish inventor of dynamite.

U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar has left open the door to the possibility of military action against Iraq. The U-N chief talked with the German weekly magazine Stern. He said military action might be- in his words- ''perfectly legitimate,'' if the Security Council decides that current economic sanctions against Iraq are NOT having the desired effect.

Housing starts for September are down to their worst showing since the 1982 recession, when adjusted for seasonal factors. The Commerce Department figures indicate that new construction dropped six-tenths of one percent last month for the eighth month of decline. New construction was down 11 percent in the Northeast and four-point-four percent in the West. New construction was up three-point-three percent in the Midwest and three percent in the South.

Israeli Arabs are picking up gas masks kits today at 21 distribution centers around the country. The army says about 140-thousand Arabs are eligible to receive the chemical warfare kits. Troops began giving them out to all Israeli citizens and residents last week. Jerusalem Arabs are considered residents. However, the government has warned Arabs NOT to open the kits unless directed to do so by the army, which doesn't want its gas masks used as protection against tear gas fired by security forces.

Lawyers say a national precedent may have been set in Brockton, Massachusetts, where a judge has thrown out an indictment charging a 24- year-old woman with giving cocaine to her unborn child. The 16-page ruling issued yesterday said the charge against Josephine Pellegrini was an invasion of her constitutional right to privacy. Prosecutors say tests found traces of cocaine in her newborn son, Nathan.

The Procrastinators' Club got around to selecting its procrastinator of the year early. Philadelphia group president Les Waas says the choice was easy. The winners are President Bush and Congress. Waas says Bush and the lawmakers were cited for ''outstanding procrastination in making the current budget decisions,'' which have tied the federal government in knots and shut down NON-essential services once. The Procrastinators' Club usually puts off its award until well after the year ends, but this year there was NO contest.

Hurricane-force winds blew a snowstorm into the Colorado Rockies today sending temperatures in Denver skidding more than 20 degrees from yesterday's record 82 degrees. Weather forecaster says winds in the Fort Collins area gusted to

94 miles an hour, ripping apart trees and downing power and utility lines. 10 inches of snow fell overnight in the Winter Park ski resort area.

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(OCT 17) UPI - Astronomers have discovered a tiny, rapidly rotating neutron star that appears to be murdering a companion sun in a case of celestial fratricide that promises to shed light on stellar evolution and death, scientists reported Thursday.

The ''eclipsing millisecond pulsar,'' the massive remnant of an exploded sun, and its companion white dwarf star are located in Terzan 5, a globular star cluster near the center of the Milky Way galaxy at a distance of some 24,000 light years.

A light year is the distance light, traveling at 186,000 miles per second, travels in one year. Terzan 5 is so far away that light, or radio energy, takes 24,000 years to reach Earth.

The newly discovered pulsar, known as PSR 1744-24, and its white dwarf companion whirl about each other every 109 minutes at a distance of just 18,600 miles - about one-thirteenth the distance from the Earth to the moon, according to a letter in the British science journal Nature.

The pulsar, about 6 miles wide, has 1 1/2 times the mass of Earth's sun. The white dwarf, a small star in the final stages of its life, is about the size of the Earth. The two stars are so close to each other that the pulsar's intense radiation is blowing away the atmosphere of the white dwarf.

The pulsar is ''irradiating it with a very hard, energetic radiation, '' said Miller Goss of the Very Large Array telescopes at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory in New Mexico. ''It's just boiling it away.

''It's going to cause this poor little star, the one that's being murdered, to disappear someday, it's just going to evaporate,'' he said in a telephone interview.

Working with radio telescopes in Australia, Britain and the United States, Goss and other astronomers were able to determine the nature of the strange binary star system by studying intermittent radio signals from the pulsar.

Because of the periodic nature of the signals, scientists concluded the pulsar and another star were in orbit around each other and that the companion star periodically blocked the radio signals from the pulsar as seen from Earth.

How fast two objects orbit each other is a function of their mass and the distance between them. Repeated observations allowed astronomers to compute

the orbital parameters of the Terzan 5 pulsar.

But the eclipses of PSR 1744-24 are extremely variable and ''there is no doubt that the eclipses are due to a wind emanating from the companion,'' the scientists wrote.

PSR 1744-24 is the second such eclipsing pulsar ever discovered. But the stars in the first such duo are much more widely separated.

''In that case, the orbit is about eight or nine hours and the eclipse is only occurring for say 40 or 50 minutes,'' Goss said. ''In this new one, the orbit is a little bit less than two hours and the eclipse is occurring about half the time. And the eclipse is very variable.''

PSR1744-24 is unique ''in the sense that the two stars are much closer, by a very large factor,'' he said. ''That's why this very severe eclipsing occurs.

''It's as if this pulsar is existing in kind of the weather of the debris of the other star that it's evaporating. This poor little star here is being murdered by the pulsar.''

Studying such a star system will shed insights into how the tightly packed suns in massive globular clusters interact and evolve.

''We're learning a lot about stellar evolution and the whole way that stars interact,'' Goss said.

During a supernova explosion, the core of the doomed star can collapse on itself with such force that positively charged protons and negatively charged electrons are crushed together, creating a sphere of uncharged neutrons.

Despite their small size, they retain enormous mass and thus tremendous gravity.

Spinning neutron stars are known as pulsars because they emit bursts of radiation as they rotate. In the case of PSR 1744-24, radiation bursts occur 100 times per second.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 17) UPI - Ukrainian Premier Vitaly Masol agreed to resign Wednesday, meeting one of the demands of students who have been staging a hunger strike and daily demonstrations in Kiev, Soviet news reports said.

Ukrainian President Leonid Kravchuk told the republic's Parliament that Masol had agreed in a conversation with him to resign, but the resignation had not yet been submitted, the official Tass news agency said.

Students are in the 16th day of a rotating hunger strike in the main square of Kiev and thousands of demonstrators marched through the city Tuesday.

On Monday students seized the main building of Kiev University to begin a sit-in strike, the independent Interfax agency said.

The protesters are demanding that the republic not sign a new union treaty with the Soviet Union in addition to calling for Masol's resignation and new elections for Parliament.

Interfax said the Central Committee of the Ukranian Young Communist League had passed a special resolution supporting the demands of the hunger strikers, saying Masol ''does not enjoy public support.''

Students at the state university in Kharkov, the Ukraine's second- largest city, began a boycott of classes Wednesday to support the demonstrators in Kiev, Interfax said.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 17) UPI - A non-profit coalition of scientists and engineers announced plans Wednesday for a lunar mapping satellite that would be launched atop a Soviet rocket in 1992 and become an outer space billboard for a major corporate sponsor.

The Lunar Prospector Project created by Lunar Exploration Inc. would represent America's return to the moon after a 20 year absence, and would be the first lunar mission not funded by the American or Soviet governments.

"What we're trying to do here is use existing technology, off-the-shelf equipment and tried-and-true techniques that have been done in the past," said Alan Binder, a Lockheed Engineering & Sciences Co. scientist serving as project manager for the project.

"We are using a very small spacecraft. We want to demonstrate the utility of such a small spacecraft, the low cost and that it can be done in a very short period of time. This is the first non-government mission. We are representing the first attempt at the commercialization of space."

LEI is a group of scientists, engineers, marketing specialists, attorneys, even housewives, who have volunteered their time - working primarily at night and on weekends - to create the lunar prospector. Most of the people involved in the project are NASA workers or employees of NASA subcontractors in the Houston area.

LEI has secured a "firm commitment" from the Soviet space agency to launch the

satellite in 1992, although no contract has been signed, said project engineer Preston Carter.

The project cost, excluding launch, is about $11.7 million, although most of that has come in the form of donated equipment. With donated time added, the cost would increase to about $30 million, Binder said. LEI has raised $2 million so far.

"I am extremely confident that in two years we will have a spacecraft in orbit " Binder said. The satellite will carry out at least a one-year mission mapping the lunar surface, searching for deposits of ice, and measuring the moon's magnetic field at both the surface and orbital altitudes.

The probe's three instruments also will determine the frequency and locations of gas releases from the moon and produce the first complete map of the lunar gravity field, Binder said. The instruments will gather infomation vital to the establishment of a lunar base, he said.

"The data we get back will directly impact the location of a lunar base," he said. "We will impact on how we go back to the moon. It will make following missions more economical."

Instruments for the satellite, which has not yet been built, largely have been donated. NASA has provided an Apollo-era gamma-ray spectrometer that will map the chemical properties of the moon's surface.

The Soviet space agency has pledged to provide a rocket, free of charge, although LEI will pay some costs associated with the launch, Carter said. He declined to specify what services the company will pay for or how much it will cost.

To support those costs, LEI is turning to corporate America, seeking one or more major sponsors that will be allowed to use the lunar prospector as a space-going billboard. Organizers are touting their plan of bringing non-aerospace corporations into the space industry for the first time.

"We are looking for participation from one, or several, corporations to allow them to expose their product through this launch," said John Reed of Space Marketing Concepts of Atlanta. That exposure could include plastering the company's logo on the side of the lunar prospector.

"It's very well received," Reed said of LEI's contacts with possible sponsors. "Space is the place we haven't been commercially. Corporations are very interested."

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BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (OCT. 17) UPI - A new dispute between the rival Serbian and Croatian republics delayed the presentation Wednesday to Parliament by President Borisav Jovic of recommendations on the nation's future political structure.

The wrangling involved a Croatian demand that Jovic's speech await the confirmation by the bicamercal legislature of former Croatian prime minister Stipe Mesic, a senior leader of the nationalist Croatian Democratic Union, as the republic's new representative on the eight-man federal presidency.

Communist-ruled Serbia objected to the demand, contending that Mesic's nomination could not be considered until Friday, the end of a 10-day period required by parliamentary procedure between the listing of an issue on the agenda and the actual vote.

Parliamentary officials said legislative and government leaders had met all day behind closed doors in an attempt to resolve the issue. But they apparently failed as the debate resumed when the Federal Chamber, one of Parliament's two houses, convened in the evening, 40 minutes later than scheduled.

It was not known if Jovic would deliver his speech. Croatian delegates urged that it be delayed until Friday afternoon, after the vote on Mesic.

Meanwhile, the Croatian delegation stormed out of the Chamber of Republics and Provinces after it was announced Jovic was about to speak to the federal house without a vote on Mesic being taken.

The Serbian use of procedural rules to obstruct the Croatian demand follow months of tensions between the two republics fanned by politicians seeking to exploit long-standing frictions between Yugoslavia's 8.5 million-strong Orthodox Serbian majority and the 4.6 million Roman Catholic Croats.

Tensions rose sharply after clashes late last month in Croatia between Serbs and Croatian police. Croatian-Serbian emnity is regarded as the most serious of several ethnic problems that threaten civil war in the Balkan nation of 23 million.

The parliamentary session was further overshadowed by the failure of the Yugoslav federal presidency to resolve differences over whether Jovic should recommend constitutional reforms that would maintain Yugoslavia as a federation or make it a confederation of independent states.

Officials said Janez Drnovsek, the Slovenian member of the presidency, walked out of a meeting of the collective head of state Tuesday because of Jovic's preference for the federation plan, despite the lack of the traditional consensus among the representatives of the six republics and two provinces.

They said Drnovsek planned to boycott the speech by Jovic, Serbia's representative on presidency and the current holder of the body's annually rotating chairmanship. The boycott would be unprecedented.

Jovic's recommendations are to be used as the basis for a new constitution that would embody Western-style political and economic reforms and replace a Marxist document enacted in 1974. It would be implemented after multi-party parliamentary elections due before the end of the year.

Serbia, the last major bastion of communist power, its province of Vojvodina and the allied Republic of Montenegro favor a plan that calls for strengthening the federal system and giving more power to the central government, which currently has no real authority.

Croatia and Slovenia, fearing domination of a federation by majority Serbs, co-authored a plan for a confederation of independent states with separate militaries, currencies and foreign policies, but linked by a common market.

The Slovenian and Croatian governments, elected in April in Yugoslavia's first multi-party assembly polls since the end of World War II in 1945, have threatened to secede if the federation plan is eventually adopted.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 17) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	78.87	79.07	78.72	79.02	78.87
Dec	75.35	75.95	75.35	75.92	75.47
Feb	73.25	73.67	73.25	73.50	73.27
Apr	74.55	74.90	74.55	74.75	74.65
Jun	72.25	72.55	72.25	72.35	72.25
Aug	70.55	70.90	70.35	70.60	70.55
Oct	70.90	70.90	70.80	70.80	70.70

Est. sales 13,425 contracts; Tuesday 15,556; open interest 68,017 up 280.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	86.95	87.25	86.57	86.80	87.10
Nov	85.20	85.60	84.90	85.32	85.30
Jan	83.60	84.00	83.55	84.00	83.75
Mar	82.05	82.50	82.05	82.40	82.35
Apr	81.85	82.10	81.75	81.95	81.97
May	81.20	81.22	81.05	81.15	81.15
Aug	80.50	80.50	80.50	80.50	80.60

Est. sales 2,068 contracts; Tuesday 1,920; open interest 11,470 up 2.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct 57.15 57.35 56.65 57.10 57.12
Dec 53.55 54.20 53.37 54.05 53.62
Feb 51.00 51.70 51.05 51.40 51.15
Apr 47.80 48.25 47.67 47.97 47.80
Jun 51.20 51.70 51.20 51.55 51.30
Jly 51.50 51.95 51.50 51.95 51.80
Aug 50.30 50.60 50.20 50.60 50.50
Oct 45.65 45.65 45.50 45.55 45.70 Est. sales 5,557 contracts; Tuesday 9,590; open interest 25,320 off 1,061.
Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 64.70 66.70 64.70 66.70 64.70
Mar 64.65 66.42 64.65 66.42 64.42
May 65.00 66.70 64.90 66.70 64.70
Jly 64.90 65.85 64.80 65.85 63.85
Aug 62.50 63.30 62.00 63.30 61.55 Est. sales 4,722 contracts; Tuesday 3,854; open interest 8,028 up 204.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 123.42 up 17 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 122.77 up 30 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 115.81 up 29 cents, 700-850 lbs. 114.55 up 19 cents.

Pork carlot trading moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins steady in light test; Boston butts were not fully established; skinned hams steady to weak; seedless bellies steady in light test; pork loins 14-18 lbs.119.00-123.50; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 86.00- 87.50; hams 17-20 lbs. 105.00, 20-26 lbs. 101.00- 103.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 58.00, 14-16 lbs. 60.00, 16-18 lbs. 60.00.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (OCT. 17) UPI - Jurors in the obscenity trial of 2 Live Crew furrowed their brows and strained to make out the words Wednesday on a scratchy, unintelligible recording of the rap band's controversial concert.

Earlier, defense attorneys twice demanded that Broward County Judge June Johnson declare a mistrial after the prosecution's first witness made references to inadmissible evidence.

Johnson said she would rule on the motions later.

Luther Campbell, leader of the Miami group, and band members Christopher Wongwon and Mark Ross were charged with giving an obscene performance following the June 10 concert, which was held two days after a federal judge

declared the group's album, ''As Nasty As They Wanna Be, '' obscene.

If convicted, each defendant would face a maximum sentence of a year in prison and a $1,000 fine.

The tape recording was constantly stopped and restarted while prosecution witness Eugene McCloud, the undercover sheriff's detective who made the recording on a hidden mini-cassette recorder, described what he saw on stage and gave his interpretation of the lyrics.

Hoots and shouts as well as bits and pieces of sexually explicit lyrics could be heard in the largely unintelligible tape that jurors visibly strained to decipher.

In one song, McCloud said, ''What Mr. Campbell is saying at that point is, 'Drop your drawers. Drop, drop your drawers.'''

During McCloud's testimony, Campbell could be heard telling his attorney, Bruce Rogow, ''I didn't say that,'' as Wongwon and Ross shook their heads and exchanged incredulous glances.

McCloud, a portly 38-year-old black who was born and reared in the Fort Lauderdale area, stammered and halted as he described the movements of three young women dancers who wore body stockings and accompanied the band on the stage of Club Futura in Hollywood.

''They were dancing - uh - they were throwing their little - uh - I'm very embarrassed,'' McCloud said.

Assistant State Attorney Leslie Robson responded, ''Eugene, we're all grown-up adults here.''

''They were dancing as though they were screwing, having sex,'' McCloud said.

Rogow asked for a mistrial when McCloud made reference to a concert for minors that was given before the adults-only performance. Johnson had ruled Tuesday that the earlier concert was not to be mentioned because it was not related to the obscenity charge.

Prosecutors had argued that the so-called ''clean version'' showed that the group planned to give an obscene performance later that evening.

Rogow asked for a mistrial again when McCloud referred to a government-prepared transcript of the controversial concert that Johnson ruled Tuesday was inadmissible.

Johnson had ruled the transcript would distort the jury's perception of the performance because it contained added information, including descriptions of

what was happening on the stage, and cautioned that graphic language would follow.

Earlier in the day jurors, who have been sequestered since testimony began Tuesday, complained of their boredom during their first night in a local hotel.

One juror said he read the entire Holiday Inn directory, while another, David Garsow, 24, of Miramar, told Johnson, ''I felt like a prisoner.''

The judge said she would consider providing jurors with videotapes and books.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Mayor David Dinkins Wednesday was meeting separately with officials from Moody's Investor Service and Standard & Poor's Corp., two major investment rating firms that last week warned the city to get its financial house in order.

The mayor called them to City Hall to try to reassure them he has things under control and was working on a comprehensive plan to rein in the widening budget gap.

He told city agencies Tuesday to prepare for massive cuts to slash more than $1.1 billion in city program spending in the next 20 months. Last week he told agencies to plan to slash $2.3 billion from construction and repair project budgets over the next 3 1/2 years.

Officers from S&P's and Moody's, meanwhile, were to explain to the mayor the reasoning behind their actions of last week, which came amid signs of increasing nervousness among investors in city bonds.

S&P's put the city on a negative "credit watch" Oct. 9 and said it might lower the city's A-minus rating on its bonds if the administration failed to develop a program to deal with rising costs and declining revenues.

S&P's said it made its move in the wake of what it called conflicting signals from City Hall the first week of October - a 5.5 percent contract settlement with teachers, a proposed $1.8 billion anti-crime plan and announcement of the possible need to lay off 15,000 city workers because of a drop in revenue. Moody's also expressed strong concern about the city's financial outlook.

Dinkins recently met with members of the state Financial Control Board, who were worried by the city's economic picture. Board members later said they were supportive of the mayor's efforts.

The city budget office's cost-cutting plan calls for a combination of major service reductions, attrition, increased productivity and "a lot" of layoffs.

If carried out it could lead to the closing of firehouses, rundown parks and garbage-strewn streets.

The Dinkins administration two weeks ago ordered a hiring and promotion freeze to cut $115 million in costs for the current fiscal year. The cost-cutting plan would slash city spending by another $330 million in the current fiscal year.

It also would cut $840 million in city spending for the next fiscal year, which begins July 1, to move toward closing a projected deficit of some $1.4 billion. It also calls for a contingency plan to make another $195 million in cuts.

Most agencies were asked to identify ways of cutting costs by four percent now ten percent next year, plus another 2 1/2 percent for the contingency plan.

The Board of Education, the Health and Hospitals Corporation, the City University system and the Fire Department were asked to cut spending by two percent now, five percent next year and 1 1/4 percent under the contingency plan. Criminal justice programs will be spared cuts but must achieve major savings through increased productivity. None of the figures were final, however.

Budget Director Philip Michael said the agencies have to come up with a plan but not all of the cuts will be carried out depending on their impact on city life.

Michael refused to spell out how specific agencies could be affected. But he said, "there will be massive cutbacks in agency services. You will see that across the board."

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DALLAS (OCT. 17) UPI - Thrift king Don Dixon said Wednesday he hopes for a fair trial on federal charges that he spent savings and loan funds on cruises, hunting trips, political contributions, and prostitutes.

Dixon, dressed in a tan suit, was stopped by reporters as he entered the federal courthouse. Asked if he thought he would get a fair trial, he responded, "I hope so; I don't have any choice."

U.S. District Judge Joe Fish began qualifying the prospective jurors at 11:13 a.m. CDT. Reporters were to be removed from the courtroom when lawyers began questioning the panel later Wednesday.

Federal authorities claim the collapse of Vernon Savings and Loan Association under King's ownership cost the government $1.2 billion. "We're talking about

a man with a golden appetite," said an investigator close to the case. "He may not have been the biggest thrift (owner), but he was certainly the most flamboyant."

A convicted madam has agreed to testify to that point, flying in Saturday at the behest of prosecutors to appear at Dixon's trial, which was to begin Wednesday with jury selection. Karen Wilkening, serving a 44-month sentence for prostitution, said in affidavits Dixon often engaged the services of her San Diego call-girl ring.

Judge Fish, who has placed prosecutors under a gag order, authorized officials at the California Rehabilitation Center in Norco to release Wilkening to the custody of the FBI so she could be flown to Dallas.

Dixon is charged with misapplying funds of the Vernon S&L, leading to the thrift's collapse in 1987. The now-defunct Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corp. estimated the loss from the collapse at $1.2 billion.

"He used the (call girls) to entertain clients and encourage them to invest," said the investigator, who asked to remain anonymous. "Pretty women became an ornament at his parties."

There were other ornaments. According to industry regulators, Dixon was a Dallas developer who purchased a small, well-run S&L in Vernon, Texas, and rapidly built a thrift empire with branches and assets in Texas, Florida, and California.

In the process Dixon amassed a collection of six aircraft including three baby-blue jets - the largest, a Falcon 50 jet, looks like a replica of a Boeing 727. He kept six pilots and several flight attendants on the thrift's payroll.

In addition, Dixon owned through Vernon a helicopter and a 112-foot yacht - the High Spirits - berthed on the Potomac to entertain influential Washington politicians.

The government has accused Dixon of using several California "holiday" homes - written off as business expenses - to reward clients and high-yield employees with liquor and sex. One contractor who did work at one of Dixon's homes said it was "wall-to-wall hookers" during the party season.

Dixon was well-known in other parts. Because of large contributions to the Roman Catholic diocese of San Diego, Dixon was given an audience with Pope John Paul II in 1985. At that audience, he presented the pontiff with a $40,000 impressionist painting paid for by Vernon's depositors. "I felt I was in the presence of someone very special," Dixon was quoted as saying later.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 17) UPI - The perceived problem of Americans not saving enough may be solved as people age and need less money for their daily needs, a Federal Reserve Bank study said Wednesday.

A report released Wednesday by economist Michael Bryan and researcher Susan Byrne points out that younger wage earners typically borrow money in anticipation of making more money in the future but tend to save more as they become older and the prospect of increased earnings decreases.

''Because of these different patterns of incomes and spending over the course of a life cycle, younger workers tend to have high levels of spending and debt relative to their current income, while middle-aged workers are inclined toward relatively low levels of spending and indebtedness.''

Personal savings as a percent of national income fell from 8 percent in 1975 to 3 percent in 1987, triggering many comments that Americans need to learn to save more. But during the same time, the age of the work force became younger.

Personal income typically levels off at about age 40 and by 1986 the oldest members of the baby-boom generation celebrated their 40th birthdays.

''Since then, the lifetime earnings potential of the labor force has fallen abruptly relative to current income,'' their report said. ''This reflects a labor force near the peak of its age-earnings profile, with an average age that has been rising.

''Consistent with these trends, the rate of personal savings has escalated and we have begun to reduce our dependence on foreign capital.''

The report points out that since 1987 the personal savings rate has increased from 3 percent to 5 percent of national income.

The Census Bureau is projecting the 20- to 34-year-old age group will fall from 43 percent of the working-age population to about 35 percent within 10 years.

''This trend will likely exert upward pressure on personal savings rates and downward pressure on real U.S. interest rates, discouraging foreign capital inflows in the process,'' the report said.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 17) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.61 1/2	2.65	2.61 1/4	2.63 1/2	2.60 3/4
Mar	2.75	2.79 1/4	2.75	2.78	2.74 3/4
May	2.83	2.86	2.82 1/2	2.84 1/2	2.82 1/2
Jly	2.87	2.90 1/2	2.86	2.88	2.86 1/4
Sep	2.94	2.95	2.93 1/2	2.93 1/2	2.91
Dec	....	....	....	3.05	3.02
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.27	2.29 1/2	2.26 1/2	2.28 3/4	2.26 3/4
Mar	2.36	2.38 1/4	2.35 1/2	2.37 3/4	2.35 3/4
May	2.41 1/4	2.44	2.41 1/4	2.43 3/4	2.41 1/2
Jly	2.45 1/2	2.47 3/4	2.45 1/4	2.47 1/2	2.45 1/4
Sep	2.44 1/2	2.46 1/2	2.44 1/2	2.46 1/4	2.44 1/4
Dec	2.46 3/4	2.48 1/2	2.46 1/4	2.48 1/2	2.46 3/4
Mar	....	....	....	2.54 1/2	2.53 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.19	1.23 1/2	1.19	1.23 1/4	1.19
Mar	1.30 1/2	1.33 3/4	1.30 1/2	1.33 1/2	1.29 1/4
May	1.36 1/2	1.40 1/2	1.36 1/2	1.40 1/2	1.36 1/4
Jly	1.41 3/4	1.46 1/2	1.41 3/4	1.46	1.41 3/4
Sep	....	....	....	1.52	1.47 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	6.10 1/2	6.17	6.09 1/2	6.14 1/2	6.10 1/4
Jan	6.25 1/2	6.31 3/4	6.24 1/2	6.29 1/4	6.25 1/2
Mar	6.39	6.44 1/2	6.37 1/2	6.42 1/4	6.38 1/4
May	6.49	6.55	6.48	6.52 3/4	6.48 3/4
Jly	6.57	6.63 1/2	6.56 1/2	6.60 3/4	6.56 3/4
Aug	6.52	6.58	6.52	6.55	6.52 1/2
Sep	6.28	6.32 1/4	6.28	6.28	6.26
Nov	6.19 1/2	6.22	6.18 1/2	6.19 1/2	6.19
Jan	6.29	6.29	6.29	6.29	6.29
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Oct	22.05	22.25	21.95	22.18	21.88
Dec	22.24	22.59	22.23	22.52	22.20
Jan	22.60	22.86	22.51	22.80	22.51
Mar	23.08	23.32	23.00	23.21	23.00
May	23.45	23.60	23.36	23.51	23.32
Jul	23.65	23.75	23.60	23.70	23.50
Aug	23.60	23.65	23.55	23.55	23.45
Sep	23.40	23.45	23.35	23.40	23.35
Oct	23.10	23.20	23.10	23.20	23.07
Dec	22.90	22.90	22.80	22.85	23.05

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	179.00	180.30	178.50	180.20	179.30
Dec	183.60	185.30	182.80	184.80	183.60
Jan	185.50	187.50	185.20	187.10	186.10
Mar	189.00	190.70	188.40	190.30	189.00
May	190.50	192.00	190.20	191.40	191.10
Jul	191.30	193.50	191.20	193.00	191.80
Aug	192.50	193.00	192.00	192.50	191.00
Sep	189.50	190.00	189.00	189.20	188.50
Oct	185.50	186.00	185.00	185.00	184.70
Dec	185.00	186.00	184.50	184.50	184.70

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(OCT. 17) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for Latest Period vs. Year Earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
AMAX Inc (3rd Q)	
$903,800,000	$928,400,000
$58,900,000 (.67)	a-$56,800,000 (.66)

a-After share repurchase expense of $41,700, 000.

Ameriana Bancorp (3rd Q)	
....	....
$637,000 (.34)	$572,000 (.30)
BellSouth Corp (3rd Q)	
$3,551,100,000	$3,545,000,000
$402,900,000 (.84)	a-$404,400,000 (.84)

a-After an extraordinary loss of $22,300,000 from early extinguishment of debt, net of tax.

Central Jersey Bancorp (3rd Q)	
....	....
$2,386,000 (.28)	$4,870,000 (.55)
Clorox Co (1st Q 9-30)	
$403,005,000	$366,935,000
$39,371,000 (.73)	$45,911,000 (.83)
First Eastern Corp (3rd Q)	
....	....
$4,648,000 (.46)	$7,964,000 (.81)
Gannett Co (3rd Q)	
$829,861,000	$827,882,000

$79,403,000 (.50) $83,135,000 (.52)

General Dynamics (3rd Q)
$2,459,500,000 $2,517,300,000
$68,500,000 (1.63) $76,500,000 (1.83)

Intl Rectifier (1st Q 9-30)
$58,413,000 $49,645,000
$1,138,000 (.10) d-$658,000
d-Deficit.

Iroquois Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
$478,000 (.41) $368,000 (.26)

Kaman Corp (3rd Q)
$203,347,000 $190,163,000
$4,906,000 (.27) d-$10,501,000
d-Deficit, after a $22,000,000 pre-tax writedown of inventory.

National Health Labs (3rd Q)
$126,000,000 $100,900,000
$20,200,000 (.20) $14,900,000 (.15)

Pacific Telesis Group (3rd Q)
$2,468,000,000 $2,368,000,000
$285,000,000 (.72) $278,000,000 (.68)

Policy Mgmt Systems (3rd Q)
$87,503,000 $66,155,000
$9,489,000 (.49) $6,893,000 (.41)

Worthen Banking (3rd Q)
....
$5,329,000 (.49) $2,805,000 (.26)

Zero Corp (2nd Q)
$50,284,000 $49,047,000
$3,572,000 (.23) $4,251,000 (.27)

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(OCT. 17) UPI - House Speaker Thomas Foley says Congress may authorize its leaders to call lawmakers back into session if the situation in the Middle East heats up after adjournment. Usually only the president can re-convene Congress after it has completed its work and left town. But some members worried about the tense Persian Gulf are calling on President Bush to fully

consult with Congress before he makes any further moves, particularly military action.

U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar told a German news magazine that military action against Iraq would be legitimate if United Nations sanctions don't work. The U-N chief says that if sanctions managed to resolve the Kuwait crisis the U-N ''will then have to immediately make efforts concerning the Palestinian problem.''

A German newspaper says an alleged spy now under arrest may have provided Iraq with details of secret NATO consultations and analyses of the gulf situation that may have influenced Saddam Hussein's decision to invade Kuwait. The German news agency says intelligence sources in Bonn believe the spy gave Iraq a complete American assessment of the gulf before the U-S military build-up in Saudi Arabia.

Plans to radically change the Soviet economy have run into problems over what course to take. The deputy Russian prime minister who co- authored the 500-day transitional plan has resigned in a dispute with the Kremlin. Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev endorsed the original plan but the one he sent to Parliament committees yesterday was different in its tone. The compromise keeps many of the tight central controls that have been in place for years in the Soviet Union and that led to the resignation.

Research done more than 20 years ago into the tiniest known particles in the universe has led three scientists to share in the 700-thousand- dollar Nobel Prize in Physics. This year's honor goes to physicists Jerome Friedman and Henry Kendall of M-I-T and Canadian Richard Taylor of Stanford University. The two M-I-T researchers are the 54th and 55th Americans to win the physics prize. Taylor is the first Canadian. Their work confirmed the existence of sub-atomic ''quarks,'' the building blocks of neutrons and protons.

Harvard's Elias Corey won the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work in the 1960's in tearing a natural molecule down to its components to find out how it can be reassembled in the lab. The Nobel citation calls his pioneering work the beginning of a process of computer synthetic planning that is still developing.

The budget crunch facing many Americans has now expanded to include Harvard College in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Department heads of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences have been told to cut budgets by up to six percent or face what could be a 13-point-four-Million-dollar budget deficit. Cutbacks may involve services to students and faculty but salaries of Harvard instructors will NOT be touched.

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BEIRUT, Lebanon (OCT. 17) UPI - Lebanese President Elias Hrawi, the winner in a power struggle with Christian Gen. Michel Aoun, pledged Wednesday to disband militia groups within six months.

''We have a period of six months to disband all militias completely and if things go normally we will speed up the implementation of this process,'' Hrawi told United Press International.

''The next stage will be very critical and we will move from a state of war and disintegration to a state of peace and unity,'' he said.

A combined force of Syrian and Lebanese troops loyal to Hrawi ousted Aoun in a blitz last Saturday that left more than 600 people dead. Since then, Aoun has taken up refuge at the French Embassy on the eastern outskirts of Beirut.

Aoun had refused to relinquish his authority and to recognize the leadership of Hrawi, who was elected president following a peace accord approved by the Lebanese parliament in Taif, Saudi Arabia, last October.

In line with the Taif agreement, the Lebanese parliament approved last month constitutional reforms that gave Moslems a greater share of power. Militias were to be dissolved within six months after the ratification of the reforms, according to the accord.

''In order to achieve peace and unity, we should start implementing the Taif accord regarding the reunification of the army that has been divided under Aoun and dissolving armed militias,'' Hrawi said.

Some 15,000 troops loyal to Aoun surrendered at his urging lat week and joined the command of the pro-Syrian army commander, Gen. Emile Lahoud. That increased the size of a unified Lebanese regular force to at least 35,000 but thousands of Moslem and Christian militiamen still control sectors of Beirut.

Many gunmen of the Syrian Social National Party and the breakaway Christian Lebanese Forces militia of Elie Hobeika have sneaked into east Beirut and opened offices.

The militia movements were widely condemned by Christian political and religious leaders, including George Saadeh, minister of telecommunication and head of the Phalange Party, as well as Lebanese Forces commander Samir Geagea.

Geagea and Saadeh called on Hrawi to stop the spreading of pro-Syrian militiamen into the Christians' heartland.

Hrawi's statement apparently was intended to give assurances that the recent militia deployment will be suppressed soon.

''We have dealt with all parties in a very realistic way,'' Hrawi said.

''Those who approved the Taif accord will play a political role after abandoning military (militia) activities.''

The president emphasized that his government would be a democracy, allowing all parties to engage in political activities, particularly the groups that opposed the Taif accord.

''For those who oppose the Taif agreement, the door will be opened for opposition through political means because we are holding on to our democratic system,'' Hrawi said.

Geagea, whose Christian hardline followers control a ghetto in east Beirut and regions northeast of the capital, had expressed support for the Taif agreement.

The pro-Iranian Moslem fundamentalist Hezbollah group that patrols Beirut's teeming southern suburbs had rebuffed the pact. But Hezbollah clerics hinted that they would not obstruct a security plan to establish a free-militia zone in unified Beirut.

Hrawi said that he was seeking to rehabilitate and rebuild the fractured Lebanese army to enable it ''expand government authority on all Lebanese territories.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 28 to 36 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.25	9.52	9.25	9.49	9.21
May	9.27	9.52	9.27	9.51	9.21
Jly	9.31	9.58	9.33	9.57	9.24
Oct	9.33	9.58	9.33	9.57	9.37
Mar	9.33	....	....	9.73	9.37

Estimated sales: 20,425 contracts
Open interest: 113,493 off 955
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.54

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 9 points higher to 1 point lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.28	23.36	23.28	23.35	23.28
Mar	23.24	23.32	23.24	23.32	23.23
May	23.33	23.38	23.33	23.39	23.33

Jly	23.33	23.39	23.33	23.39	23.33
Sep	23.28	23.30	23.28	23.30	23.27
Nov	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
Jan	23.00	....	....	22.98	22.99

Estimated sales: 769 contracts
Open interest: 10,541 up 114

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - Middle-class taxpayers would be hit with about $300 a year in higher income taxes in the unlikely event that the House-passed deficit reduction plan becomes law over a certain veto by President Bush.

The new middle class income tax increase - not included in a separate deficit cutting plan the Senate began debating on Wednesday - would come from a one-year delay in the annual adjustment ensuring that income tax rates and personal exemptions keep pace with inflation.

A one-year freeze of that inflation adjustment would raise $4.1 billion in fiscal year 1991, which began Oct. 1, and $36 billion over five years - money that would help shrink the deficit.

Freezing the inflation adjustment could cost middle class taxpayers about $300 a year, according to Republicans who oppose the provision that was crafted by Democratic members of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee and adopted by the House on a mostly party-line vote on Tuesday.

A family of four with a combined income of $46,000 a year would have a taxable income of $32,200, after taking the standard deduction of $5,400 and four personal exemptions which, after being indexed for inflation next year, would be worth $8,400. That $32,200 in taxable income would be taxed at 15 percent, for a total tax bill of $4,830.

Under current law, the point at which the 15 percent tax rate rises to 28 percent would be adjusted for inflation and moved from the current $30,950 a year to $32,500 a year.

But under the House-passed plan, that inflation adjustment would not take place. And the four personal exemptions also would not be adjusted for inflation, making them worth $8,000 instead of $8,400.

So the same family of four would have a taxable income of $32,600 under the Democratic plan - $46,000 income less the $5,400 standard deduction and the $8,000 in non-adjusted personal exemptions.

Of that $32,600 in taxable income, $30,950 would be taxed at 15 percent with the difference between $30,950 and $32,600 taxed at 28 percent, for a total

income tax hit of $5,104.50 - an increase of $275 due solely to a the one-year freeze in the inflation adjustment.

In another example, using Treasury Department figures, a single taxpayer with no dependents who has $21,000 in taxable income this year would pay an extra $151.50 in income taxes under the Democratic plan passed by the House. And a family of four with a taxable income of $34,000 in 1991 would pay $313.50 more in income taxes next year under the House-passed plan.

Bush on Tuesday vowed to veto the measure because, he said, he was "determined that the budget of the United States not be balanced on the back of working Americans." The Senate deficit reduction plan would not raise income tax rates or freeze the annual inflation adjustment for rates and exemptions.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	350.09	210.19	137.34	19.46	298.92
Opening	350.57	211.79	137.53	19.41	299.27
11 a.m.	349.53	210.93	137.34	19.35	298.45
Noon	351.59	212.31	138.20	19.50	300.26
1 p.m.	352.46	211.50	138.34	19.56	300.93
2 p.m.	351.94	211.55	138.20	19.46	300.44
3 p.m.	351.08	211.09	137.92	19.35	299.67

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#90290u1442 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

DUMFRIES, Scotland (OCT. 17) UPI - Two passengers on a Pan Am jet that was destroyed by a terrorist bomb may have survived their 6-mile fall to earth if they had received immediate medical treatment, a doctor said at an inquiry Wednesday.

Dr. Anthony Busuttil, head of the pathology team that did postmortem examinations on the 270 people who died in the disaster 21 months ago, said the two passengers would have been unconscious during the short time they lived after the blast.

''The chances are that even if they survived they would have been deeply unconscious after sustaining their injuries,'' Busuttil said.

''There is a possibility, and indeed if resuscitation was available

immediately with access to medical facilities, there could have been survival.''

The names of the two passengers were withheld by the request of relatives.

Busuttil, who holds the chairmanship of forensic medicine at Edinburgh University, also said some of the 243 passengers on the jumbo could have been conscious for at least part of their freefall.

Another member of the pathology team gave a chilling description of what it would have been like for those passengers who were conscious while falling.

Oxygen would have been lost within five seconds of the explosion, he said.

''I think everything will go misty from condensation. Everything will be blown about. There will be noise, confusion, darkness, perhaps rather like a nightmare ... a weird sensation.''

The temperature would have been about minus 58.

Busuttil said 201 of the passengers were instantly killed by multiple injuries. Another 19 were less severely injured but would also have died outright or very quickly.

In a third category were the two whose injuries were less severe and who could have lived for a short time.

Asked by the Scottish lord advocate, Lord Fraser of Carmyllie, if they would have been conscious, Busuttil said, ''It is a possibility but I cannot put it in a definite category.''

He said that all three members of the flight-deck crew and 13 members of the cabin crew had sustained unsurvivable injuries.

Those aboard would have fallen to the ground at about 120 miles an hour - faster if attached to a heavy piece of the plane and slower if attached to a part that fluttered like a leaf, Busuttil said.

A fall of 31,000 feet would take 2 1/2 minutes, he said.

The inquiry is considering the circumstances of the Dec. 21, 1988 bombing and is not seeking those who committed the crime. Police in Scotland and elsewhere are conducting a criminal investigation.

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#90290u1444 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 17) UPI - Carrier Corp. said Wednesday it will lay off 320

workers at its Indianapolis furnace plant, or 38 percent of its hourly employees there,next week.

A spokesman said the cutback was seasonal.

The plant, on the west side of Indianapolis, makes home heating furnaces and usually ends a five-month peak production period during October.

Furloughed workers normally are recalled in April.

Carrier, with corporate headquarters in Syracuse, N.Y., is a subsidiary of United Technologies Corp. of Hartford, Conn.

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#90290u1445 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 17) UPI - Iraq has denied Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar's request that it allow a charter plane to fly to occupied Kuwait with medicines for hospitals, a U.N. spokesman said Wednesday.

The request was transmitted to the Iraqi government last Friday on behalf of Kuwait's U.N. ambassador, Mohammad Abulhassan, who said Kuwaiti as well as foreign patients were dying for lack of medicines in hospitals that are now occupied by Iraqi troops.

U.N. spokesman Francois Giuliani said the government in Baghdad - which claims to have annexed Kuwait - replied Tuesday ''in the negative'' and gave no reasons for the refusal.

''I believe they only gave a negative answer,'' he said. ''I think the answer was quite clear: The government of Iraq will not allow that plane to go to Kuwait for reasons that don't need to be explained. Their position is very clear on this issue.''

Abulhassan told reporters last week that the needed medicines would be distributed by the International Committee of the Red Cross and would be paid for by his government-in-exile.

Abulhassan said Kuwait had a reserve of medical supplies for at least six months at the time Iraqi troops invaded that country on Aug. 2. He said the supplies were taken by the Iraqis and information received by his government showed that sick Kuwaitis and foreign nationals were dying because of a lack of medicines like plasma, insulin and some antibiotics.

The U.N. Security Council has exempted medicines and food for humanitarian circumstances from the trade embargo imposed to punish Iraq for invading and annexing Kuwait.

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#90290u1453 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Gold futures closed Wednesday 460 to 480 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	364.00	366.70	364.00	366.70	362.00
Nov	366.80	....	....	368.00	363.30
Dec	368.70	370.50	366.30	369.80	365.10
Feb	372.50	374.50	370.60	373.80	369.00
Apr	377.00	378.30	374.20	377.50	372.70
Jun	381.00	381.40	378.50	381.40	376.70
Aug	383.00	385.30	383.00	385.30	380.60
Oct	388.10	....	....	389.30	384.60
Dec	393.50	394.50	391.50	393.40	388.70
Feb	396.70	....	....	397.90	392.20
Apr	401.00	402.10	401.00	402.10	396.50
Jun	404.80	406.80	404.80	406.80	402.20
Aug	410.50	....	....	411.60	407.00

Open interest: 119,326 up 2,670.

Estimated sales: 45,000 contracts.

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#90290u1454 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (OCT. 17) UPI - Automaker Regie Nationale des Usines Renault said Wednesday it had temporarily laid off 22,000 workers because a strike by Spanish truck drivers that has closed the French-Spanish border led to a shortage of necessary equipment.

It was also learned Wednesday that automaker Peugeot SA closed its factory in Villaverde, Spain, because it has not received parts made in France necessary for the construction of the 205 and 309 models.

Renault said it had used boats between Portugal and France and leased 10 airplanes and helicopters to transport automobile parts between France, Spain and Belgium.

''These measures have not been sufficient to make up for the loss of the truck traffic,'' a Renault spokesman said.

More than 1,000 trucks are blocked on both sides of the border because of a protest by Spanish drivers, who are demanding higher social benefits to make up for the higher price of gasoline because of the Gulf crisis.

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#90290u1465 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
HALIFAX (OCT. 17) UPI - A tanker ran aground Wednesday off Quebec's Ile d'Anticosti in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, but officials said its 21 crew members remained on board and were trying to refloat the vessel.

Canadian Armed Forces Capt. Robert Curran, at the Coast Guard's Rescue Coordination Center, said the asphalt-filled tanker - Rio Orinoco - had developed engine problems two days ago.

Curran said the tanker was anchored to allow the crew to work on the engines, but strong currents dragged the anchor to shallower water. At that point, the engine room flooded and the tanker settled on the bottom.

Curran said double-hulled tanker was not leaking any of its cargo.

Ile d'Anticosti lies off the coast of the Quebec mainland near the mouth of the St. Lawrence River in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, which is formed by Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland.

The Coast Guard has three pollution and safety ships in the area and inspectors boarded the tanker to help the crew determine how to refloat it, Curran said.

Curran said the tanker was believed to be registered in the Cayman Islands and was en route from the Dutch Antilles to Montreal when the trouble occurred.

''We are keeping our eye on it,'' Curran said, adding he expected it to be several days before the ship could be refloated. He said the engine room would have to be pumped, the engines restarted and the cargo reheated and perhaps transferred to another vessel.

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#90290u1500 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 17) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Slightly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1 3/4 to 2 1/4, soybeans unchanged to up 4 1/4, wheat up 1 3/4 to 3 1/4 and oats up 4 1/4 to 4 1/2.

Cattle trade - Steady to $2 lower; top $79.00.

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(fixing net changes on Handy Harman & Engelhard gold to up NOT off)

NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold			
London			
Previous close fix	362.50	off	16.75
Morning fixing	365.75	up	3.20
Afternoon fixing	366.00	up	3.55
Close	366.75	up	4.25
Paris	369.79	up	1.95
Zurich	367.50	up	3.50
Hong Kong	365.55	off	10.00
New York			
Comex spot close	366.70	up	4.70
Republic cash	367.70	up	4.50
Handy and Harman	366.00	up	1.25

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 367.27 up 1.25 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 385.63 up 1.31 per troy ounce.

Silver			
Comex spot close	4.198	up	0.056
Republic cash	4.225	up	0.055

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.23 per fine ounce up 0.035

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.225 up 0.04 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.521 up 0.043

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 398.00 off 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 498.00 off 2.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 89.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 104.00 up 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90290u1521 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 17) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $23 to $27 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.85 cent to 1.25 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.43 to 2.35 cents a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - unchanged to 0.23 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $4.60 to $4.80 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $4.00 to $5.50 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 5.00 cents to 5.85 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 4.8 to 5.6 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.028 to 0.036 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90290u1524 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 17) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.48 1/2-2.53 1/2 up 2 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.06 1/2- 6.14 1/2 up 4 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.16 3/4-2.28 3/4 up 2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.28 3/4-2.32 3/4 up 2.

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#90290u1527 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 17) UPI - House and Senate negotiators today worked out a compromise on a 288- BILLION-dollar defense authorization bill. The measure includes one-point-eight-BILLION for research and development of the stealth bomber, but limits the B-2 fleet to the 15 already approved by Congress.

The compromise military authorization must pass both the Senate and House before it can go to President Bush. Negotiators also agreed to spend nearly three-BILLION-dollars for the Strategic Defense Initiative, the so-called ''Star Wars'' missile defense program.

The Royal Swedish Academy today announced the winners of the final two Nobel Prizes for 1990. Two American physicists and a Canadian who first detected ''quarks'' won the Nobel Prize in physics. The Nobel Prize in chemistry went to an American scientist who re-creates natural substances in the laboratory.

A German magazine carried an interview today with Javier Perez de Cuellar in which the U-N chief said military action against Iraq is a legitimate option. Perez de Cuellar suggested that the Security Council could decide to go with a military option if sanctions fail to get Iraq out of Kuwait.

Authorities in Florida report a second death believed connected to an encephalitis epidemic gripping the state. 80-year-old Michael Mulready of Port St. Lucie died on September 21st. His widow says officials listed the cause of death as encephalitis and pneumonia.

San Francisco residents will pause at 5:40, P-D-T, this afternoon to remember last year's seven-point-one Richter Scale earthquake that rocked the city and northern California. San Francisco Mayor Art Agnos said the city has ''bounced back'' in terms of tourism and physical rehabilitation.

The government says it was another miserable month for the housing industry in September. New construction plummeted sixth-tenths of one percent last month... for a record eighth straight monthly decline. Private economists had expected the bad news and predict the housing picture will remain gloomy.

The Executive Council of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, or UNESCO, voted today to demand that Israel immediately reopen all schools in the occupied territories. Most elementary and secondary schools in the region have been reopened, but four universities remain closed by military order.

The Coast Guard is searching in the Pacific Ocean off San Clemente Island, California, for the pilot of a Marine F-A bomber that apparently crashed during carrier landing training last night. NO wreckage from the jet has been

spotted.

The National Hurricane Center is using satellites, ships and planes to track the newest storm in the Atlantic. Tropical Storm Nana formed this morning near Puerto Rico from the 16th tropical depression of the Atlantic-Carribean hurricane season. It's 40-mile-an-hour top winds are expected to intensify.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.98

60 to 89 days 7.90

90 to 119 days 7.92

120 to 149 days 7.84

150 to 179 days 7.78

180 to 270 days 7.73

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.02 - 7.80

Issuers 30 days 8.04

Issuers 90 days 7.92

Issuers 270 days 7.48

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.12

60 to 89 days 8.12

90 to 119 days 8.15

120 to 149 days 8.13

150 to 179 days 8.13

180 days 8.13

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

1 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

3 month 8.125 - 8.25

6 month 8.125 - 8.25

Year 8.125 - 8.25

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.20 - 7.18

6 months 7.22 - 7.20

Year 7.12 - 7.10

Federal Funds: High 8, Low 6, Close 6.

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7.852 unchanged.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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(OCT. 17) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record

Suspended

UnionFed Financial				
Distribution				
Red Lion Inns LP	..	.5375	11-15	10-31
Standard Pacific LP	..	.20	11-29	11-15

Increased

Amer Hlth Properties	Q	.61	11-16	11-2
First Empire State	Q	.35	12-18	11-27
First Source Corp	Q	.13	11-15	11-5
First Tenn Natl Corp	Q	.42	1-1	12-14
Hawaiian Electric	Q	.55	12-10	11-13
Kaydon Corp	Q	.12 1/2	1-2	12-17
Sealright Co	Q	.09	11-14	10-31

Reduced

Cdn Pacific Forest	Q	c-.10	1-3	12-7

Special

Caldwell Prtnrs Intl	..	c-.09	11-15	11-5

Usual

Barnett Banks Inc	Q	.33	1-2	12-10
CCB Financial Corp	Q	.38	1-2	12-17
CIM High Yld Secur	..	.07	11-30	10-26
Clorox Company	Q	.36	11-15	10-26
Columbia Gas System	Q	.55	11-15	10-25
Crompton & Knowles	Q	.10 1/2	11-23	11-2
Dow Jones & Co	Q	.19	11-30	11-1
Dow Jones & Co cl-B	Q	.19	11-30	11-1
Dreyfus Corp	Q	.13	11-14	11-5
Dun & Bradstreet	Q	.53	12-10	11-20
Fidelity Svgs Bank	Q	.06	11-9	10-31
First Florida Banks	Q	.24	12-14	11-30
Independence Bancorp	Q	.29	11-9	10-30
Mid Maine Svgs Bk	Q	.10	11-15	10-31
Modine Mfg Co	Q	.17	12-7	11-27
Republic New York	Q	.33	1-1	12-15
Smucker JM Co	Q	.17	12-3	11-19
SouthTrust Corp	Q	.26	1-1	11-30
Total Petroleum NA	Q	.20	12-20	11-30
Union Texas Pet Hldg	Q	.05	11-5	10-31
Waltham Corp	Q	.12	11-2	10-24

c-Canadian rate

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	63 1-2	up 1-4
AT&T Company	30 7-8	off 3-4
BCE Inc	30 1-2	off 1-4
Bell Atlantic	49 1-4	up 1-8
BellSouth Corp	52	unch
Exxon Corp	48 3-8	off 1-4
Ford Motor Co	30 5-8	off 1-4
Genl Electric	52 3-4	up 1 1-4
General Motors	35 5-8	off 3-8
GTE Corp	27 3-8	up 1-4
IBM Corp	100 3-4	up 1 3-8
Mobil Oil Corp	57	up 3-8
Nynex Corp	71 3-8	off 1 1-2
Pac Gas & Elec	23 1-8	unch
Pacific Telesis	44	up 1-4
Phila Electric	16 3-8	up 5-8
Sears Roebuck	23 5-8	off 1-4
Southern Co	25 5-8	up 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	53 5-8	off 5-8
US West Inc	36 1-8	up 1-4

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2387.87	up	6.68	821.93	off	1.48	207.49	up	0.94
Tuesday	2381.19	off	35.15	823.41	off	8.88	206.55	off	0.44
Week ago	2407.92	off	37.62	835.43	off	5.92	203.60	off	1.07
Month ago	2571.29	up	3.96	901.44	up	13.50	200.52	up	0.63
Year ago	2638.73	off	18.65	1254.27	off	49.96	214.54	off	0.19
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90290u1642 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Consumer demand for gasoline at the pump apparently slackened last month as a result of the rise in prices triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait, the oil industry reported Wednesday.

''We believe that some demand response to higher prices may be apparent for gasoline,'' as a result of the rise in retail prices of 25 cents, or 20 percent, since July, the American Petroleum Institute said.

Some of September's 1.5 percent decline in refinery deliveries from a year ago could be explained by normal variations in monthly data, the API said in its monthly statistical report. September daily deliveries averaged 7.1 million barrels, or 294.2 million gallons, it said.

There is no direct method of measuring consumption precisely since unknown quantities of deliveries wind up in the storage tanks of refiners, wholesale distributors and station owners.

But based on historical data, ''we estimate that the increase in retail prices over the past two months would have led to a short-term response in consumption amounting to a 0.5 to 1 percent decline,'' the report said.

September's 1.5 percent drop in deliveries also exceeded the 0.9 percent year-to-year average monthly 1990 decline through July, it noted.

In addition, September gasoline deliveries were 8 percent less than August compared to the normal 5-6 percent seasonal monthly decline at the end of the summer driving season, the API reported.

The consumer's response to higher prices probably also involved the buying of cheaper grades of gasoline, the institute said.

''Premium unleaded, which had accounted for 22 percent of gasoline sales in July, has likely lost a point or two of market share to other grades,'' it said.

Some oil companies have said the shift involves more than a few percentage points, Ron Planting, API editor of the monthly report, told United Press International.

Airlines have been complaining that spiraling prices of jet fuel are sending them into the financial doldrums and have forced them to raise passenger fares.

The API monthly survey found that September deliveries of kerosine jet fuel rose 4 percent over a year ago to 1.369 million barrels a day. Each barrel equals 42 gallons.

It said nearly two-thirds of the increase in deliveries was accounted for by ''above normal military deliveries apparently used to replenish stocks drawn

down during the August airlift (of U.S. troops and equipment) to the Persian Gulf.''

Despite the fare increases, many airlines offered ''an assortment of discounts for immediate travel '' ... and ''preliminary industry data on miles flown show growth at about 7 percent to 8 percent in September,'' API said.

There has been anecdotal evidence cited by oil traders that U.S. refiners have been exporting gasoline and other products to take advantage of the higher retail prices in Europe and elsewhere.

API reported that September exports jumped 14.4 percent from 655,000 barrels daily a year ago to 749,000 barrels daily this year.

Despite the rise in deliveries of gasoline and jet fuel, total September oil deliveries climbed a scant 0.2 percent over a year ago to 17.486 million barrels a day, the report said.

Industry statistics also indicated that wholesale distributors continued to stock up on home heating oil in September, which is usually one of the lowest months for deliveries of distillates - heating oil and diesel fuel, API said.

September distillate deliveries of 2.958 million barrels daily were 2.7 percent higher than September 1989 compared with a 0.8 percent rise for the year to date.

''This suggests that the additions to storage by distributors and end users indicated in August's data may have continued in September,'' the institute said.

September imports of crude oil rose 0.9 percent to an average of 6 million barrels daily from a year ago, it found, despite the the decline in Middle East oil that began to be felt around the middle of the month.

U.S. refineries processed 14.15 million barrels of crude daily, 2.6 percent more than in September 1989, the industry survey found.

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#90290u1645 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30	Indus	2387.87	up	6.68
20	Trans	821.93	off	1.48
15	Utils	207.49	up	0.94
65	Stocks	847.23	up	1.65

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PARIS (OCT. 17) UPI - Soviet emissary Yevgeny Primakov, who met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein earlier this month, said Wednesday he believed that a softening of the Iraqi position on the Persian Gulf crisis was still possible.

''I can tell you that in a diplomatic manner I do not dismiss the possiblity that the Iraqi position could be more flexible,'' Primakov said following a 45-minute meeting with President Francois Mitterrand at the Elysee Palace.

Declaring himself a ''prudent optimist,'' he said President Mikhail Gorbachev had given him the mission to ''utilize all the political possibilities possible as long as the situation has not degenerated towards a military route.''

''It is not a matter of a pacifist action or of the acceptance by the international community of the annexation of Kuwait or of any other actions that would be in contradiction with the principles on which we should build a new world,'' he said.

''I think politicians should play their role as long there exist possibilities of a negotiated settlement,'' Primakov added.

The emissary, a member of Gorbachev's presidential council who met Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein in Baghdad Oct. 5, arrived in Paris from Rome Wednesday.

Italian officials said that in a one-hour meeting Tuesday Primakov told Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti that during his visit to Iraq he gained the impression that Saddam would be prepared to negotiate provided there was no ultimatum from the West and no threat of a military operation.

At a brief news conference after the meeting, Primakov said he was not carrying any message from Gorbachev. But he said the Soviet leader attributes great importance to the Gulf situation and is very concerned about it.

''We are optimistic, despite everything, otherwise I would not be here'' Primakov said.

He said the Soviet Union is committed to finding a political and peaceful solution to the gulf crisis and in principle ''this approach coincides with the Italian position.''

Before Primakov left Moscow for Rome, Gorbachev's spokesman Vitaly Ignatenko denied a report by the Soviet Novosti press agency that Saddam had softened his position during his meeting with Primakov and may have offered a compromise.

Also Wednesday, Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement said after a Cabinet meeting that France will make ''a slight increase'' in its contingent in the

gulf.

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#90290u1661 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 17) UPI - The first anniversary of the Northern California earthquake that toppled buildings and roadways and claimed 62 lives was marked Wednesday with songs celebrating life and silence commemorating the dead.

Some civic leaders praised the region's efforts to repair the physical, emotional and economic damage. Others soberly pointed to the inevitability of another major quake in the not-so-distant future.

The most recent data put together in the aftermath of the Loma Prieta quake showed there are almost two out of three chances - or a 63 percent probability - of another major quake hitting the region within the next 30 years.

In some quarters Wednesday, the song ''San Francisco'' - the earthquake anthem for the city - rang out. Elsewhere, gospel music and prayer marked the passing of 62 people who died when the 7.1 temblor struck at 5:04 p.m. on Oct. 17, 1989, and jarred the earth from Santa Cruz to San Francisco.

The day represented the most dramatic anniversary in the lives of many San Francisco Bay Area residents, but conversation around town was dominated by the Oakland Athletics' 7-0 loss to the Cincinnati Reds in the first game of the World Series.

Newspapers assigned bigger headlines to their front-page game stories than to their quake retrospectives, although they tended to take advantage of handy quake metaphors.

''Bay Area rocked by a 7-0,'' trumpeted the San Francisco Examiner over its World Series story.

Artists unveiled sculpture made out of quake rubble at a streetside arts fair. Flags were raised on previously toppled poles. The San Francisco Opera chorus sang at a special ceremony and the Chamber of Commerce honored quake heroes. Some restaurants turned off their lights and served dinner by candlelight.

A handful of people left town.

But survivors mostly talked about their ''where-were-you-when-it-hit'' earthquake experiences, despite the growing number of T-shirts reading ''Thank you for not sharing your quake story.''

San Francisco Mayor Art Agnos declared that the city had recovered.

''Our city has bounced back in terms of physical rehabilitation very quickly '' Agnos said in an interview on NBC's ''Today'' show.

''First of all, there are only ... certain places that were badly damaged. The Marina was one ... but the visitor places weren't damaged because of our seismic upgrading of modern buildings.''

Agnos said that tourists - vital to the city's economy - have returned.

''As a matter of fact, tourism statistics, the latest ones we have for June and July, which are our peak months, show that it was better than it was before the earthquake,'' he said.

Assemblyman Rusty Areias, interviewed on ''Today'' from Santa Cruz, warned against heeding the lessons of the Loma Prieta quake.

''If you live in California, you live in peril. You live in one of the most seismically active of the 50 states and I think there is a thickening curtain of apathy, which is prevailing,'' he said.

Democratic gubernatorial candidate Dianne Feinstein took the opportunity to pose at Candlestick Park and issue a 3 1/2-page broadside on what she would do to improve earthquake preparedness statewide.

Her opponent, U.S. Sen. Pete Wilson, was in Washington.

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BOSTON (OCT. 17) UPI - Massachusetts researchers dominated the Nobel Prize list this year, with winners of medicine, physics and chemistry awards from the state's top two universities in scientific research.

Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology each garnered two Nobel Prizes, adding to their long lists of previous winners.

Harvard boasts 33 Nobel laureates on its faculty dating back to 1914, including 18 current faculty members. MIT's Nobelists include nine current or emeritus faculty members, an MIT physician and 10 alumni.

Wednesday's announcement of the final Nobels - for physics and chemistry - named three Massachusetts researchers as winners.

At MIT in Cambridge, Jerome I. Friedman and Henry W. Kendall shared the $700,000 Nobel Prize in Physics with Canadian Richard E. Taylor of Stanford University.

They were cited for research more than 20 years ago that confirmed the

existence of quarks, building blocks used to form the neutrons and protons that comprise the bulk of the atom.

One mile down the road, the nation's oldest university also enlarged its collection of Nobel Prizes.

Harvard professor Elias James Corey, 62, received the Nobel in chemistry Wednesday for his method of breaking down a natural molecule into its component parts to determine how it can be reassembled in the lab.

''Harvard is delighted to have our 33rd Nobelist,'' Harvard spokesman Peter Costa said. ''As professor Corey said, to him teaching is as important as research. We are gratified by that remark - that his brilliance and accomplishments are also displayed in the classroom.''

Last week, former Harvard professor Joseph E. Murray split the Nobel Prize in Medicine with E. Donnall Thomas, of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle.

Murray, a researcher and physician at Boston's Brigham and Women's Hospital, won the prize for his discovery that rejection following organ transplantation to humans could be overcome.

Even this year's winner of the Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Science had ties to the Ivy League school.

University of Chicago business professor Merton Miller - who earned his bachelor's degree from Harvard in 1944 - shared the prize with Harry Markowitz of City University of New York and William Sharpe of Stanford University.

''Having fostered so many outstanding scientists and people who have won the Nobel Prize is a great source of pride and honor for the university,'' MIT's chief science writer, Dr. Gene Mallove said.

The 1990 awards will be presented to the laureates on Dec. 10, the anniversary of the death of Alfred Nobel, the Swedish inventor of dynamite who created the prizes in his 1895 will.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	163.59	off	0.05
ASE Market Value Index	289.13	off	1.19
Dow-Jones Industrial	2387.87	up	6.68

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:
Stocks - 10,000,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,773,463,770
Bonds - $4,550,000
1990 to date - $580,106,000

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#90290u1688 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:
Stocks - 161,260,252 shares
1990 to date - 31,817,822,000
Warrants - 1,211,700
1990 to date - 201,640,700

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#90290u1689 10/17/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Wednesday - $38,060,000
1990 to date - $8,854,625,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 290.34, low 288.86, close 289.13, off 1.19.

There was a loss of 4 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,000,000 shares, compared with 11, 150,000 Tuesday.
What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	1
New Lows	80
Advances	221
Declines	297
Unchanged	253
Total Issues	771

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CHICAGO (OCT. 17) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Wednesday - 9,791,000
1990 to date - 2,007,859,000

The market closed mixed.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1053.7
Tuesday	1052.3
Week ago	1082.3
Month ago	1085.0
Year ago	1103.5
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1052.3

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday unchanged to 23 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	73.85	73.93	73.55	73.57	73.76
Mar	74.15	74.29	73.85	73.88	74.08
May	74.50	74.60	74.15	74.18	74.35
Jly	74.50	74.60	74.25	74.25	74.35
Oct	69.25	69.25	69.25	68.95	69.15
Dec	67.65	67.70	67.50	67.52	67.75
Mar	67.90	67.90	67.90	68.25	68.25

Estimated sales: 4,000 contracts
Open interest: 39,754 up 507
The World spot average: 70.55

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DALLAS (OCT. 17) UPI - A government attorney said Wednesday that prosecutors were not trying to make thrift king Don Dixon a scapegoat but hold him responsible for his own conduct in the $1.2 billion failure of his savings and loan.

Earlier, speaking to reporters before entering the federal courthouse, Dixon said he hoped for a fair trial on charges he spent thrift funds on cruises, hunting trips, political contributions, and prostitutes.

During jury selection, Assistant U.S. Attorney David Jarvis said the government's case was not designed to find ''a scapegoat for the S&L crisis'' nor to explain why Vernon Savings and Loan failed.

''We're simply trying to hold Don Dixon responsible for his conduct,'' Jarvis said.

Jarvis compared the case to that of a rape.

''When you feel outraged about a particular crime as a juror you are asked to set aside your feelings and give the defendant a fair trial,'' he said. ''This is the same as a rape case in the sense I'm asking for your objective opinion based on evidence.

Jarvis estimated the trial would last about four weeks. He also said a portion of the trial would deal with political contributions and asked the juror candidates if any of them objected to federal campaign laws which make it illegal for companies to directly contribute to candidates.

''Our indictment does not allege direct contributions. It alleges indirect contributions - officers of Vernon who contributed to candidates and then were reimbursed,'' he said.

Dixon, dressed in a tan suit, was stopped by reporters as he entered the federal courthouse. Asked if he thought he would get a fair trial, he responded, ''I hope so; I don't have any choice.''

U.S. District Judge Joe Fish began qualifying the prospective jurors at 11:13 a.m. Reporters were to be removed from the courtroom when lawyers began questioning the panel later Wednesday.

Federal authorities claimed that the collapse of Vernon Savings and Loan Assn. under Dixon's ownership cost the government $1.2 billion.

''We're talking about a man with a golden appetite,'' said an investigator close to the case. ''He may not have been the biggest thrift (owner), but he was certainly the most flamboyant.''

A convicted madam has agreed to testify to that point, flying in Saturday at the behest of prosecutors to appear at Dixon's trial, which was to begin Wednesday with jury selection. Karen Wilkening, serving a 44-month sentence for prostitution, said in affidavits that Dixon often engaged the services of her San Diego call-girl ring.

Judge Fish, who has placed prosecutors under a gag order, authorized officials at the California Rehabilitation Center in Norco to release Wilkening to the custody of the FBI so she could be flown to Dallas.

Dixon was charged with misapplying funds of the Vernon S&L, leading to the thrift's collapse in 1987. The now-defunct Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corp. estimated the loss from the collapse at $1.2 billion.

''He used the (call girls) to entertain clients and encourage them to invest '' said the investigator, who asked to remain anonymous. ''Pretty women became an ornament at his parties.''

There were other ornaments. According to industry regulators, Dixon was a Dallas developer who purchased a small, well-run S&L in Vernon, Texas, and rapidly built a thrift empire with branches and assets in Texas, Florida and California.

In the process Dixon amassed a collection of six aircraft including three baby-blue jets - the largest, a Falcon 50 jet, looks like a replica of a Boeing 727. He kept six pilots and several flight attendants on the thrift's payroll.

In addition, Dixon owned through Vernon a helicopter and a 112-foot yacht - the High Spirits - berthed on the Potomac to entertain influential Washington politicians.

The government has accused Dixon of using several California ''holiday'' homes - written off as business expenses - to reward clients and high-yield employees with liquor and sex.

One contractor who did work at one of Dixon's homes said it was ''wall-to-wall hookers'' during the party season.

Dixon was well-known in other parts. Because of large contributions to the Roman Catholic diocese of San Diego, Dixon was given an audience with Pope John Paul II in 1985. At that audience, he presented the pontiff with a $40,000 impressionist painting paid for by Vernon's depositors.

''I felt I was in the presence of someone very special,'' Dixon was quoted as saying later.

If convicted on all 38 counts, Dixon could face a maximum sentence of 190 years in prison and be fined as much as $9.5 million.

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (OCT. 17) UPI - Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu called Wednesday for an urgent summit of black leaders that would include an unprecedented meeting of rivals Nelson Mandela and Mangosuthu Buthelezi and warned those who refuse to accept face branding as ''enemies of liberation.''

Many observers believe such a meeting is crucial before their respective supporters end bloody fighting that first exploded in 1987 in the Indian Ocean province of Natal and spread two months ago to black townships surrounding Johannesburg. In six weeks of fighting that largely ended in mid-September in the Johannesburg area, nearly 800 blacks died.

Since Mandela's release from 27 years imprisonment in February, all attempts to arrange a meeting between the African National Congress leader and Buthelezi, who heads the chiefly Zulu movement Inkatha, have failed.

In a major address to a synod of the Anglican diocese of Cape Town, the 1984 Nobel peace laureate unveiled what appeared to be a failsafe plan to bring Mandela and Buthelezi together for the first time.

The summit would include talks on black unity in advance of power- sharing negotiations with the government of President Frederik de Klerk, Tutu told the synod, which meets once every three years.

Tutu also called on de Klerk to sack Defense Minister Magnus Malan over the existence of a secretive military unit that assassinated anti- apartheid activists in the 1980s and urged him to accept demands for a constituent assembly to write a post-apartheid charter.

He called for a purge of right-wing forces from the military and insisted the government disarm the neo-Nazi Afrikaner Resistance Movement (AWB) and enforce the law that ''forbids inciting racial animosity.''

Referring to de Klerk's rapidly unfolding racial reform program, Tutu said, ''We have experienced a euphoria at the speed of events, but we have also touched the nadir of despair at the mindless violence that has taken place in Natal and the Transvaal.''

''The political leaders of blacks need to meet urgently to plan a joint strategy on negotiations, to adopt a code of conduct in political dealings and to decide on how to handle the factional violence and to promote unity and peace,'' he added.

Tutu said the church had a ''special responsibility'' and he proposed to use his office of political neutrality to call for a summit ''soon'' to be held at Bishopscourt, the official residence in Cape Town of the Anglican Archbishop. He said leaders of ''all substantial black political movements'' would be invited.

''The aim would be for a black political summit, the importance of which would be undisputed, so that our people would judge leaders who refused to attend as enemies of unity, peace and liberation,'' Tutu said.

The church leader never once mentioned Mandela or Buthelezi in his prepared

text in connection with the proposed summit, but his intention was clear. There are only a handful of blacks regarded as leading substantial political movements.

Buthelezi has long demanded a meeting with Mandela, but the ANC has previously warned such a summit would accord the Zulu chief and his Inkatha organization undeserved status of equality with the ANC, the country's largest anti-apartheid movement.

Mandela's senior aides this year prevented him from meeting Buthelezi in Natal province.

This month, ANC officials invited Buthelezi to a meeting at Mandela's house that included leaders of several of South Africa's black homelands. Buthelezi, chief minister of the self-governing Zulu territories of Natal, refused to attend largely because he had demanded a private meeting with Mandela and recognition as leader of Inkatha.

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BOGOTA, Colombia (OCT. 17) UPI - The army raided a huge cocaine production complex under control of commnunist guerrillas, one of the biggest laboratory busts since a famous 1984 raid.

The secret police also were investigating the possible infiltration by the Medellin cartel of cocaine traffickers in the agency.

Members of the army's Special Command raided the complex Tuesday on the southern border of Colombia and Ecuador in the jungle of the Amazon River basin, the Defense Ministry said.

The complex had been under control of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia guerrilla group, the ministry said. It was capable of producing from 6 to 8 tons of cocaine per month, according to officials.

The action was one of the biggest raids since a 1884 operation against a jungle cocaine complex known as Tranquilandia, where 18 metric tons of cocaine was found.

The new complex discovered in the Putumayo region of Colombia's southern border had housing for 200 people, the Defense Ministry said. It had its own electrical plant, swimming pool and dining facilities.

The secret police, known as the Administrative Security Department, arrested Guillermo Gomez, accused of heading the team that carried out the Dec. 6, 1989 bombing of the agency's headquarters, killing more than 50 people.

Gomez was arrested along with his companion, Diana Fonseca, a former employee of the secret police. She was under investigation for possibly passing on information to the Medellin cartel, the agency said.

The newspaper La Prensa reported at least five other secret police officials were under investigation for possible links to the cartel. The agency has denied the report.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.74	off 0.08
10 Public Utils	91.05	up 0.20
10 Industrials	86.43	off 0.36

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2376.73	2418.56	2358.17	2387.87	up 6.68
20 Trans	821.38	837.46	812.50	821.93	off 1.48
15 Utils	206.36	209.32	205.42	207.49	up 0.94
65 Stock	844.02	858.78	837.30	847.23	up 1.65

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	18,254,200	17,261,000
Trans	3,286,100	2,155,600
Utils	3,836,000	2,843,200
65 Stock	25,376,300	22,259,800

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.74	off 0.08
10 Public Utils	91.05	up 0.20
10 Industrials	86.43	off 0.36

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 127.13 up 0.60.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	32.50-32.60	34.30-34.35
North Sea Brent	36.65-36.75	38.90-38.95
West Texas Intermed	36.70-36.75	38.85-38.90
Light Louisiana Sweet	37.05-37.15	39.40-39.50
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	96.65-96.90	100.85-101.10
No. 2 Heating oil	96.65-96.85	103.00-103.25
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	91.90-92.15	96.25-96.50
No. 2 Heating oil	95.10-95.25	101.00-101.20

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(OCT. 17) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	212.60	215.90	212.00	213.30	213.10
Mar	....	....	....	215.70	215.30
Jun	....	....	....	218.70	218.30

Previous day volume: 28 contracts.

Open interest: 1,187 off 4

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	300.60	304.20	299.50	300.60	301.25
Mar	303.25	306.60	302.15	303.15	303.75
Jun	306.00	309.00	305.00	305.60	306.55
Sep	....	311.50	307.70	308.50	309.25

Today's estimated volume: 55,679 contracts.

Open interest: 154,172 up 32

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	164.45	166.35	163.80	164.35	164.85
Mar	166.00	167.35	165.30	165.65	166.15
Jun	....	....	....	166.95	167.45

Open interest: 5,373 off 28
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	497.50	503.10	496.20	498.85	498.75
Nov	496.75	503.00	496.25	498.60	498.50
Dec	199.00	504.00	498.50	500.60	500.50

Estimated volume 4,660 contracts.
Open interest: 9,621 up 72

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Citicorp	11,268,800	12 3/4	off 1/4
Student Loan	4,003,300	35 3/4	off 3/4
PepsiCo Inc	2,755,300	22 3/4	off 7/8
Philip Morris	2,362,300	45	off 1/4
Wal-Mart Strs	2,282,200	25	off 1/2
Waste Mangment	1,941,900	29 3/4	up 1/4
Shaw Indus	1,923,300	16 1/8	up 1/2
Genl Electric	1,836,700	52 5/8	up 1 1/8
Amer Express	1,760,200	17 1/2	off 1 1/8
Beverly Enterp	1,513,100	6 7/8	up 1/2
AT&T Company	1,394,800	30 7/8	off 3/4
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,387,400	27 7/8	up 7/8
IBM Corp	1,330,300	100 3/4	up 1 3/8
Dresser Inds	1,278,300	17 7/8	up 1/2
Lilly Eli	1,129,700	75 1/2	up 3/4

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Hillhaven Corp	450,500	1 1/2	unch
Eksportfinan wt	441,700	8 3/4	off 3/4
Contl Air Hldgs	439,100	4 7/8	up 1/4
Painw W Grp wtB	349,000	8 3/4	off 3/4
Western Digital	338,500	5 1/4	unch
Pegasus Gold	300,300	10 7/8	unch
Salomon wt93 Jan	288,900	18	off 3/8
First Aust Prm	208,900	8 7/8	off 1-16
Energy Service	205,500	3 1/8	up 1/8

Echo Bay Mines 202,800 10 3/4 up 1/8

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DETROIT (OCT. 17) UPI - Sen. Donald Riegle Jr., D-Mich., continued to meet with now-jailed savings and loan executive Charles Keating in 1987 and 1988 - even though he knew that federal officials were seeking a criminal investigation of Keating, published reports said Wednesday.

The Detroit Free Press and the Detroit News said the meetings, which had not been previously disclosed, are shown in appointment books that Keating kept of his lobbying effort involving some of the highest officials of Congress and the federal government.

Excerpts from Keating's appointment logs were first published Monday in the National Mortgage News, a trade publication. The Free Press said a person involved with Keating investigations who has a copy of the logs confirmed the accuracy of the excerpts.

Riegle, chairman of the Senate Banking Committee, was scheduled to appear Wednesday before the Senate Ethics Committee in a closed-door session in Washington.

The panel could vote as early as this week on how to proceed on its investigation into whether Riegle and four other senators acted improperly by meeting with regulators on Keating's behalf.

Keating arranged $1.3 million in political donations to the lawmakers, dubbed the Keating Five. The other four lawmakers were Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio; Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif.; Sen. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz.; and Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz.

Riegle, who has consistently denied any wrongdoing in his dealings with Keating, had no comment Tuesday, citing the committee's confidentiality rules.

The Keating logs, under court seal, indicate that Keating met with Riegle several times before the April 9, 1987, meeting in which the senator and four colleagues discussed Keating's concerns with thrift regulators.

Keating was alleging that regulators were harassing and trying to drive his Lincoln Savings & Loan Association of Irvine, Calif., out of business. The regulators were maintaining that Keating was looting Lincoln, possibly criminally.

After that meeting, the logs show Keating scheduled meetings with Riegle on Sept. 24, 1987, and Jan. 26 and Feb. 4, 1988.

Keating is in jail in California awaiting trial for alleged bond fraud stemming from the $2-billion Lincoln S&L failure. Riegle has returned $78,250 in campaign contributions that Keating arranged.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	326.78	up	1.34	333.25	463.28
Industrial	347.86	up	3.75	352.93	450.35
Finance	329.30	off	1.75	333.01	541.99
Insurance	379.36	off	1.84	388.77	529.32
Utility	442.34	off	5.39	467.57	743.27
Bank	240.92	off	1.81	247.44	454.55
Transport	362.04	up	1.70	370.53	478.15

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 143.16 up 0.67

Industrial Index 137.55 up 1.62

NASDAQ-100 Index 334.54 up 3.56

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JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (OCT. 17) UPI - The Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing by the parent company of P-I-E Nationwide Inc., one of the nation's top trucking companies, will likely result in employee layoffs, a P-I-E spokesman said Wednesday.

The trucking company, which employs 7,800 workers nationwide including 600 in Jacksonville, Fla., notified employees of the bankruptcy filing late Tuesday, P-I-E spokesman Russ Dixon said.

''I can anticipate there would be a change in the work force, but it would be too early to determine how many would be affected,'' Dixon said. The majority of the company's workers are represented by the International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

Olympia Holding Corp., which acquired P-I-E in April for an undisclosed amount filed for Chapter 11 reorganization Tuesday, Dixon said.

The trucking company, which ranks as one of the nation's top 10 less-

than-truckload carriers, has experienced financial troubles for a number of years, Dixon said.

''In the last five years, there have been four ownership changes, and there have been operating losses,'' he said.

The privately held concern does not disclose its earnings. However, Dixon said P-I-E has annual revenues of about $500 million.

The company owns about 12,000 trucks and trailers, and operates 230 freight terminals throughout the nation. Some consolidation of those terminals is expected in the wake of the filing, Dixon said.

As part of the reorganization, P-I-E also will change its name to P- I-E International.

''P-I-E International has been created from P-I-E Natiowide. We go forward from today as an new ongoing concern,'' he said. ''From a marketing point of view, it is certainly a good idea to identify P-I-E as something new.''

The company said it is currently operating at better than a break- even level.

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AUSTIN, Texas (OCT. 17) UPI - The nation's growing demand for electricity will soon force it to decide between new coal-fired or nuclear power plants, an expert on nuclear energy said Wednesday.

Dale Klein, associate dean for research at the University of Texas's College of Engineering, said the problems with nuclear power in the United States are more political than technical.

''The world will go nuclear - it's just a matter of whether the U.S. will follow,'' he said.

Klein said the growth in electrical needs means the United States must choose between five existing and technically feasible sources - oil, natural gas, coal, hydroelectric or nuclear.

Since the nation is in the grip of an oil crisis and because hydroelectric generation is not possible in all parts of the country, Klein said the choice is actually only between nuclear and coal-fired plants.

''The problem is that no one wants a coal plant or a nuke in their back yard '' he said. ''But they all want electricity and they want it cheaply.''

Klein said economic factors rule out solar and wind power, although they could

be future sources of large-scale electrical generation.

''The disadvantages of coal are greenhouse gases, acid rain, other pollution, stip mining and ash disposal,'' he said. ''Nuclear power compares very favorably to coal from an environmental standpoint.''

But Klein said if he headed a utility company he would not order construction of a nuclear plant until the federal government develops ''a one-step licensing process and a standardized plant.''

Klein said the government's licensing process is largely responsible for delays and cost overruns in the construction of nuclear power plants in Texas and other areas.

''With the one-step licensing process, if you started a plant in 1990, you'd have it ready by 1996,'' he said.

The standardization of plant design would also boost the nuclear power industry, said Klein.

''It should be like building airplanes - you don't license each airplane as if it were the only one of its type,'' he said. ''You certify many airplanes of identical design under a uniform procedure.''

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(OCT. 17) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5700	up 75
TRW pfD	120 1/8	off 14 7/8
Fst Cit Tx pfB	19 1/2	off 14
Household pfD	57 1/2	off 3 1/2
Zurn Indus	29 5/8	off 3
NII pf	30 1/4	off 2 3/4
Fsty Cit B Tx	5 7/8	off 2 3/4
Kyocera Ltd	102 1/2	up 2 3/4
Banc One	20 7/8	off 2 1/2
Matsushita El	148	up 2 1/2

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SEATTLE (OCT. 17) UPI - The state's Labor and Industries Department said Wednesday it will consider further legal action against Nordstrom Inc. because the retailer refused to negotiate an agreement that would settle charges that

Nordstrom violated wage and labor laws.

However, Nordstrom quickly questioned the press release sent to news media by the state, with company spokesman Tim Doke saying the state of Washington was ''posturing on behalf of the union'' representing about 2,000 Puget Sound area Nordstrom employees.

The United Food and Commercial Workers union began a negative publicity campaign in the summer of 1989 after its contract with Nordstrom expired. One of the union's many claims has been that Nordstrom pressured employees to perform duties ''off the clock'' without proper compensation.

At the request of the union, the Labor and Industries Department investigated Nordstrom and last Feb. 15 issued a finding stating Nordstrom had violated state law in areas involving time keeping methods and payment of overtime.

The state had been working with Nordstrom attorneys on a consent decree that would have settled the finding, but talks broke down in August when Nordstrom questioned the legality and status of the state's finding. The retailer also contended that it was never given the proper opportunity to respond to the state charges.

During an Oct. 5 hearing in King County Superior Court Nordstrom lawyers implied they would consider filing a lawsuit against the state agency for damages done to the retail chain because of the negative publicity generated by the state's February finding.

''We believe Nordstrom broke the law, and now it appears the company wants the taxpayers of Washington to pay for it. That's absurd,'' Labor and Industries Director Joe Dear said.

He said the department had been willing to work as much as possible to reach a satisfactory settlement with Nordstrom, ''but what pushed our buttons was when they threatened us with a lawsuit.''

He also said Labor and Industries was tired of waiting to hear from Nordstrom after talks broke down in August.

Dear did not outline what actions the state would take to force Nordstrom to comply with its findings, which demanded that the retailer compensate current and former employees for back wages and change its timekeeping practices.

However, he said the state would consider a complete refusal to negotiate any more with Nordstrom, and said his agency might take action through the courts.

Nordstrom spokesman Doke said Nordstrom was confused over the reasons behind the state agency's latest action.

''What really baffles us is why the state would do this, unless it is under incredible pressure from the United Food and Commercial Workers,'' Doke said. ''Their release says nothing, except to further the union's objectives of embarrassing the company.''

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#90290u1815 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Tough words on Iraq from Secretary of State James Baker gave the dollar a modest lift in New York dealings Wednesday, providing added momentum to what dealers described as a slight technical rebound.

Currency traders said Baker's comments in a Senate hearing raised the specter of a full-scale conflict in the Gulf, prompting some buying of the dollar to cover short positions, or earlier commitments to sell the unit.

Baker said the quest for peace in the Mideast depended on ''reversing (Iraq's) capacity for future aggression.'' His words seemed tougher than the established U.S. position of demanding Iraq's total withdrawal from Kuwait.

The secretary's remarks ''were a reason to buy some dollars,'' said Bayerische Hypotheken-und Wechsel Bank vice president Carl Amendola. The spate of buying mainly gave the dollar a lift against the German mark.

In late New York dealings, the dollar was quoted at 1.5120 marks, ahead from 1.5110 marks Tuesday, and 125.40 Japanese yen, down from 126.65.

Baker's hawkish comments followed better-than-expected economic figures from Washington that helped the dollar stabilize. Industrial production rose 0.2 percent in September, against 0.1 percent in August.

But few players thought the dollar had hit the floor and Amendola said it could settle around 1.45-1.50 marks and 115-120 yen. What concerned most participants was when the U.S., German and Japanese authorities would intervene.

''We are on the alert for intervention by the central banks, especially if the dollar consolidates,'' wrote Carl Weinberg, chief economist of High Frequency Economics, a New York firm that publishes a daily advisory.

Central bankers might wait for the dollar to pause, then purchase it in a bid to reverse its decline. ''The banks and governments have learned better than to buck a strong market's direction,'' Weinberg said.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2712 Swiss francs, off from 1.2755; 5.0665 French francs, up from 5.0600; and 1,132.50 Italian lire, off from 1,131.50.

The pound slipped to $1.9620 from $1.9650.

In Europe, the dollar moved down against the main units as players followed through on comments from U.S. economic authorities saying the U.S. currency should drop even lower against the mark and yen.

Martin Feldstein, president of the U.S. National Bureau of Economic Research, said Tuesday the U.S. unit should fall 10 percent to 15 percent against the major currencies and even more against the German and Japanese units.

The dollar slipped in Frankfurt to 1.5095 German marks vs. 1.5140 Tuesday. It also eased in Zurich to 1.2710 Swiss francs vs. 1.2815.

In London, the pound gained slightly against the U.S. unit, ending at $1.9650 against $1.9570.

The dollar also closed lower in Paris and Brussels, at 5.0465 French francs vs. 5.1153, 31.08 Belgian francs against 31.26. In Milan it hit 1,128.20 Italian lire vs. 1,143.90 - its lowest point since May 1981.

In Tokyo, the dollar hit a 20-month low against the yen after U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady made remarks tolerant of the dollar's weakness. The unit ended at 125.80 yen, off 2.25 yen from 128.05 Tuesday.

Foreign exchange dealers said Brady's comments led institutional investors to sell dollars heavily.

In Zurich, gold closed higher at $367.50 vs. $364 per ounce. It was also off in London, at $366.75 an ounce vs. $362.50.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $367.25 an ounce, up from $362.75 Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $366.70 an ounce, ahead from $362.

Silver was unchanged in Zurich at $4.20 an ounce, and was also unchanged in London at $4.21 an ounce.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.225 an ounce, up from $4.17. Comex silver finished at $4.198 an ounce, up from $4.142.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 17) UPI - U.S. Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney and President Mikhail Gorbachev marveled Wednesday at the improvement in U.S.-Soviet relations, but Cheney later sparred with Soviet lawmakers over remaining differences.

Cheney discussed the fundamental reorientation of the two superpowers'

relationship in meetings with Gorbachev and Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

''We value the understanding by U.S. President George Bush and other Americans of the importance of what the Soviet Union is going through,'' Gorbachev told Cheney. ''We are optimists, and we believe we will succeed.''

Cheney responded that the United States is interested in a stable, prosperous and democratic Soviet Union.

Cheney informed Shevardnadze that the United States expects to cut its military budget by $180 billion over the next five years and reduce its troop strength by 20-25 percent as part of a basic redirection of American defense policy, the official Tass news agency said.

The two men also discussed the Persian Gulf crisis, agreeing that it is important for their governments to proceed from common positions at the United Nations.

Gorbachev said that the Middle East crisis spawned by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait has tested the growing strength of U.S.-Soviet relations.

In a packed schedule on his first full day in Moscow, Cheney brought personal congratulations to Gorbachev for receiving the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize.

Cheney, who arrived in Moscow Tuesday, addressed two parliamentary committees after separate meetings with Gorbachev and Shevardnadze. He hosted a dinner in the evening at the U.S. Embassy for Defense Minister Dmitri Yazov.

Before beginning their formal talks, Cheney congratulated Gorbachev on his being awarded the Nobel Peace Prize Monday, the official Tass news agency said.

Gorbachev thanked Cheney then joked that it was ''unusual'' for the recipient of such a peace prize to be congratulated by ''the leader of a military department,'' Tass said.

''I am really glad to hear the congratulations, especially from the secretary for military affairs,'' Gorbachev said with a laugh.

''It is really amazing that over the last few years, we have made a norm of such visits by our defense ministers'' and other military officials, Gorbachev added. ''This has really become something in our dialogue.''

Cheney later expressed similar sentiments in an address to the Soviet Parliament's committees on national security and foreign affairs.

''Our old strategy was based on fighting a global conflict with the Soviet Union on short notice,'' Cheney told the deputies.

But the lawmakers, in a lively question-and-answer session after the speech, showed that differences remain between the two erstwhile enemies.

Cheney told the legislators that the United States welcomes new ''Soviet intentions'' evidenced in arms control talks and troop withdrawals from Eastern Europe and Afghanistan.

He added, however, ''We are still concerned with Soviet capabilities, '' and claimed that Moscow last year bought or produced significantly more tanks and ballistic missiles than Washington.

Deputies asked Cheney why the United States is continuing to aid Afghan rebels despite the Soviet pullout and why it has resisted Moscow's calls for a ban on nuclear weapons testing.

Cheney responded that the Soviet Union is still supplying arms to Afghan President Najibullah, and that Washington believes that nuclear tests maintain the security of existing stockpiles.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	13	11	6
New lows	257	272	285

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	475	29,635,000
Declines	1,073	105,844,400
Unchanged	431	14,090,600
Total	1,979	149,570,000

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What The AMEX Composite Market Did
By United Press International

New highs	1
New lows	81

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	193	3,777,900
Declines	366	5,564,300
Unchanged	224	1,807,800
Total	783	11,150,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	164.60	163.37	163.59	off 0.05
Industrial	203.44	201.92	202.15	off 0.01
Transport	129.29	128.49	128.70	up 0.33
Utility	87.26	86.72	86.90	up 0.12
Finance	105.37	104.49	104.50	off 0.55

Equivalent to a loss of 1 cent in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 161,260,000 shares.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - World crude prices tumbled $2 a barrel in hectic selling Wednesday with markets positioned for further declines as traders refocused on the possibility of peace negotiations in the Middle East.

The U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery plunged $2.17 to $36.72 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange as prices plummeted through a key $37.15 support level in the last 10 minutes of trading.

The Merc decline appeared to help the price of stocks on the New York Stock Exchange where the Dow Industrials average of blue chip companies climbed 6.68 points to 2387.87.

''We broke through $37.15 around 3:00 (p.m. EDT) and then dropped nearly $1 in the final 10 minutes of trading to a low of $36.25 before the exchange settled its books for the day at $36.72 a barrel,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading at New York's United Energy Inc.

Breaking through the key support level indicated prices ''are going down further. I'm going with my $34 a barrel level (the lowest price in recent weeks),'' Bentz said.

''There's a feeling in the market that peace negotiations are being given a chance to work,'' the trader said.

''The market's down because of the possibility of negotiations with Iraq,'' said Ann-Louise Hittle, senior oil analyst with Shearson Lehman Brothers in

New York. ''This kind of talk has taken the edge off the market.''

WTI had dropped $1.74 Monday after weekend reports that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was in ''a conciliatory mood'' and was willing to talk about a partial withdrawal from Kuwait, occupied since his Aug. 2 invasion.

Kremlin diplomatic trouble-shooter Yevgeny Primakov had given the first indication of a possible weakening in Iraq's resolve after meeting Saddam in Baghdad.

During talks with Italian Premier Giulio Andreotti in Rome Tuesday Primakov said his country still remained optimistic that a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis could be worked out. The Soviet envoy was scheduled to meet French President Francois Mitterrand in Paris later on Wednesday.

In advance of President Bush's scheduled meeting with Primakov, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the administration had already heard some of what the Soviet envoy had to report but looked forward to a first-hand account.

Secretary of State James Baker, who rejected the idea of a partial Iraqi pullout Tuesday, was reported as telling a congressional that the U.N. embargo against Iraq was ''very effective'' and he did not believe any immediate military action would be required.

Both Republican and Democratic members of Senate Foreign Relations Committee expressed concern that President Bush could order an attack on Iraq without a formal declaration of war after Congress adjourns, in the next few weeks, until early next year.

Baker said the administration ''would expect to consult with Congress, but we don't know what's going to happen.'' He added, ''We should not rule out the use of force.''

Prices might have been expected to rise in response to a weekly report by the American Petroleum Institute late Tuesday after the Merc closed that U.S. crude supplies dropped 6.2 million barrels last week bringing the five-week loss to 30.2 million barrels.

The cushion of extra supplies, which totaled 56.2 million barrels over last year prior to the Iraqi invasion, has been virtually eliminated as a result of the drop in Middle East imports starting in mid-September.

The report was apparently largely discounted Tuesday before it was made public.

''A lot of (the API report) was built into the market yesterday. A lot of yesterday's rise was in anticipation of the API report,'' said Bob Jonke, a trader with Cargill Investor Services in New York.

Jonke said, ''The weakness in the products is carrying us down.''

On the Merc, home heating oil for November delivery tumbled 5.75 cents from Tuesday's close to 98.25 cents a gallon, while November unleaded gasoline plummeted 4.88 cents to 93.4 cents a gallon.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent lost $2.25 from Tuesday to $36.65 a barrel.

United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - declined $1.80 to $32.50 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt delivery WTI crude fell $2.15 to $36.70 a barrel.

Sun Co., Radnor, Pa. and Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp. reduced the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead by $2.25 a barrel to $35.50 a barrel for WTI.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Stocks closed mixed Wednesday as a drop in oil prices bolstered the Dow industrials, but the gains in the blue chips faded late in the day on persistent concerns about the economy and corporate earnings.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which sank 35.15 Tuesday, rose 6.68 to close at 2387.87.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index dipped 0.05 to 163.59 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 0.16 to 298.76. The price of an average share lost 1 cent.

Declines led advances 832-661 among the 1,967 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 161,260,000 shares, up from 149,570, 000 traded Tuesday.

Losing issues led gainers for most of the day with advances pulling ahead just slightly for brief spurts of time. But the Dow industrials attracted some buying, peaking with a gain of almost 25 points in the early afternoon.

Analysts said an unexpected rise in oil prices and comments from Secretary of State James Baker, who spoke before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, sparked a blue-chip rally after midday.

Oil prices were expected to rise Wednesday after the American Petroleum Institute reported late Tuesday that inventories of crude fell for the fifth straight week, which would be bullish for oil prices. Prices fell, though, and closed down $2.17 to $36.72 a barrel.

Some analysts said the remarks by Baker before a Senate panel helped push oil down and the Dow up around midday.

Baker said he did not think any immediate military action would be required in the Persian Gulf and added that the economic sanctions on Iraqi exports were very effective.

But the gains failed to hold for the most part and the Dow closed slightly higher as persistent concerns about the economy and corporate earnings prompted selling late in the day.

''Lower oil prices and Baker's comments helped the market at about midday,'' said Ricky Harrington, director of investment policy and asset management at Marion Bass Securities in Charlotte, N.C.

''But there's still so much concern about earnings, the Treasury refunding next month, and talk of a recession that they won out in the end and the positive influence of oil and Baker was offset by these other concerns,'' he said.

Overall, said Harrington, the market's performance Wednesday was not very good and he predicted more weakness before the end of the week.

He also noted that Friday will see the monthly ''double-witching hour'' expirations of stock-index futures and options, and pointed out that there was weakness leading into the expirations in August and September.

''Also, with only the Dow stocks higher and the rest of the market down, I'd say it probably means more weakness Thursday and Friday,'' he said.

On the trading floor, Citicorp was the most active issue, down 1/4 to 12 3/4 after Tuesday reporting a sharp drop in third-quarter earnings.

Elsewhere in the banking sector, First City Bancorp plunged 2 3/4 to 5 7/8 after reporting a large third-quarter loss Tuesday. It is said to be eyeing a dividend cut.

Sallie Mae followed, down 3/4 to 35 3/4, extending Tuesday's plunge, which came on concerns about a suit filed by two former managers charging that the purchaser of student loans engaged in loan fraud and a cover-up.

Reports said federal officials have begun investigating the agency's office in Lawrence, Kan., but Sallie Mae late Tuesday denied the allegations.

PepsiCo was third, falling 7/8 to 22 3/4. Salomon Brothers was said to have downgraded its rating on the stock.

Among the blue chips, AT&T fell 3/4 to 30 7/8, IBM added 1 3/8 to 100 3/4, General Electric gained 1 1/8 to 52 5/8 and Merck rose 1/2 to 78 3/8 after reporting a sharp rise in earnings Tuesday. American Express tumbled 1 1/8 to 17 1/2, swept up by the weakness in financial stocks.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 199,591,530 shares, compared with 182,418,430 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices closed lower in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index skidded 1.19 to close at 289.13. Declines led advances 296-227 among the 775 issues traded. The price of an average share lost 1 cent. Composite volume totaled 11,987,510 shares vs. 12,903,150 traded Tuesday.

Hillhaven led the Amex issues, unchanged at 1 1/2.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 1.34 to close at 326.78.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 412.59 up 0.10 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Affliated Fund 8.74 9.37

Anchor Fund Inv	13.80	14.64
Delaware Mutual	16.04	17.20
Fidelity Fund	15.45	15.45
Investors Mutual	10.31	10.85
Investors Stocks	17.17	18.08
Investors Select	8.24	8.67
IDS Equity Plus	8.26	8.70
Mass Inv Growth	7.29	7.86
Nicholas Fund	3.12	3.12

United Accumulated	5.84	6.38
United Income	15.31	16.73
Vanguard Wellington	15.27	15.27

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#90290u1983 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (OCT. 17) UPI - Parliament forced President Borisav Jovic to postpone a speech Wednesday on Yugoslavia's worst post-war constitutional crisis, but Communist-ruled Serbia circumvented the decision and had the speech read on state-controlled television.

The raw display of defiance by the largest Yugoslav republic came only minutes after the Federal Chamber of Parliament passed a Croatian motion to reschedule the speech to Friday and was certain to exacerbate already high political tensions.

Serbia opposed the delay, which was approved by a 125-46 vote, with deputies from Slovenia, Bosnia-Hercegovina and Macedonia agreeing with Croatian colleagues that the speech should follow consideration of the nomination of former Croatian Prime Minister Stipe Mesic as a member of the eight-man Yugoslav presidency.

The nomination, which has lingered for almost two months, could not be considered Wednesday because of a procedural rule.

Apparently hoping to reverse its serious loss of face, the Serbian government had state-run Television One devote almost its entire evening news program to reading Jovic's 45-minute speech as his pictures were flashed on the screen.

In it, Jovic, Serbia's representative on the federal presidency, claimed that the collective head of state backed a Serbian-favored plan to maintain Yugoslavia as a multi-ethnic federation of six republics of 23 million people.

The federation concept, however, had been strenously opposed by Croatia and Slovenia, which fear domination by the 8.5 million-strong Serbian majority, and the two republics co-authored a plan for a confederation of independent states with separate foreign policies, currencies and militaries, but linked by a common market.

The presidency, composed of representatives of the republics and two provinces Tuesday failed to reach a consensus on which plan would be recommended to Parliament by Jovic, the current holder of its annually rotating chairmanship.

''The Yugoslav federation should be safeguarded. It is impossible without serious conflicts to divide the Yugoslav people by borders,'' Television One quoted Jovic's address as saying. ''National conflicts would lead to civil war.''

Jovic's recommendations are to be used as the basis for a new constitution that would embody Western-style political and economic reforms and replace a Marxist document enacted in 1974. It would be implemented after multi-party parliamentary elections due before the end of the year.

The Slovenian and Croatian governments, comprising nationalist parties that trounced Communists in April in Yugoslavia's first multi- party assembly elections since the end of World War II in 1945, have threatened to secede if the federation plan is adopted. Serbians vote in December in their first multi-party assembly elections since the war.

Serbia, the last remaining major bastion of Communist power in Yugoslavia, has refused to opt for confederation unless its borders are expanded to include Serbian-inhabited areas of other republics, a demand that could ignite civil strife.

The Communists' position is apparently designed to attract Serbian nationalist votes in the December elections.

Legislative and government leaders failed to resolve the dispute over Jovic's speech in daylong closed doors meetings, and the debate resumed when the Federal Chamber, one of Parliament's two houses, convened in the evening 40 minutes later than scheduled.

Serbian opposition to the Croatian demand follows deteriorating relations between the two republics fanned by politicians seeking to exploit long-standing frictions between Orthodox Serbs and Yugoslavia's 4.6 million Roman Catholic Croats.

The Serbian-Croatian tensions are the most serious of several ethnic disputes that many Yugoslavs fear could ignite civil war.

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#90290u2002 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 17) UPI - The House today ignored administration veto threats and sent a compromise civil rights bill to President Bush. The bill overturns Supreme Court decisions that narrowed victims' rights in job discrimination cases.

Republicans opposed to the House-passed Democratic deficit-reduction plan say it would hit middle-class taxpayers with about 300 dollars in higher income taxes a year. But that's only in the unlikely event it becomes law over President Bush's veto.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney met with Soviet President Gorbachev and the Soviet foreign minister today in Moscow. The official Tass news agency says the men discussed long-term changes in U-S-Soviet relations.

Secretary of State Baker suggested during a Senate hearing today that war could break out in the Persian Gulf. Baker insisted that resolving the Persian Gulf crisis must include eliminating Iraq's ''capacity for future aggression.''

Jurors in the Fort Lauderdale, Florida, obscenity trial of the 2 Live Crew visibly strained to make out words on a scratchy, unintelligible recording of the rap group's concert. Three members of the group are charged with giving an obscene performance.

Palestinians canceled a meeting with visiting British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd in Jerusalem today after Israeli media reported that Hurd is opposed to a Palestinian state. Hurd says he was misquoted and British support for an independent Palestinian state has NOT changed.

The Food and Drug Administration has given a San Diego-area company approval to begin clinicial trials of a new skin replacement product for burn victims. Marrow-Tech Incorporated says the lab-grown skin will be tested on burn patients at up to eight burn centers.

Attorney General Thornburgh says the federal prison system will soon require that inmates who test below the level of a high school education take classes to improve their basic skills. Thornburgh told a conference in Ottawa, Canada, that about 20 percent of the nation's 58-thousand federal prisoners are illiterate.

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#90290u2022 10/17/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT 17) UPI - Ashton-Tate Corp., buoyed by the July upgrade of its flagship software product, reported a third-quarter profit of $1.1 million, or 4 cents a share Wednesday, compared with a loss of $19.3 million during the same period last year.

Sales for the quarter, which were boosted by the July 31 shipment of its database program dBASE IV version 1.1, increased 12 percent to $60.4 million, up from $53.9 million during the third quarter of 1989.

However, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, the Torrance, Calif., company reported a loss of $12.5 million on sales of $165.5 million. That compared with a loss of $27.6 million on revenues of $203.2 million during the first nine months of last year.

''We are very pleased with the progress we've made on dBASE IV version 1.1,'' said company President Bill Lyons. ''We have shipped more than 350,000 units, including free upgrades, channel stock balancing and full-system sales. The product has been favorably reviewed in the industry press, and our customers are confirming that it is stable and reliable.''

Ashton-Tate management has been harshly criticized by industry analysts for bungling its once-clear lead in providing a database program for personal computer users. Its market share has been eroded by bug-filled upgrades of dBASE and aggressive marketing by competitors.

Trouble with upgrades also has plagued Lotus Development Corp., the Cambridge, Mass.-based manufacturer of 1-2-3, the leading PC spreadsheet program.

Lotus reported third quarter earnings Tuesday of $8.6 million, or 20 cents a share, on sales of $157.3 million. That was well down from earnings of $22.9 million, or 54 cents a share, on revenues of $153.9 million in the same period last year.

On a brighter note, Lotus reported Wednesday it would receive $500, 000 in an out-of-court agreement stemming from a copyright infringement lawsuit the company brought against Paperback Software International of Berkeley, Calif.

Paperback had been found to be violating copyright protection Lotus had on its best-selling 1-2-3 spreadsheet software.

The Ashton-Tate and Lotus earnings stood in sharp contrast to those reported Tuesday by Microsoft Corp. of Redmond, Wash., which said its fiscal first-quarter income jumped more than 76 percent to $87.6 million, or 71 cents a share. Microsoft's sales for the quarter were $369.4 million, up 57 percent from $235.2 million during the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - Senate leaders began fighting several proposed amendments Wednesday that could undercut a bipartisan deficit reduction plan and the Bush administration threatened to veto the measure unless several provisions were removed.

Among the expected early test votes on the plan was an amendment to remove a 9.5 cents-a-gallon gasoline tax increase from the package, which would eliminate $42.6 billion in deficit reduction over five years. Also facing a test was an amendment raising income taxes on the rich, scaling back the gas tax hike, and easing proposed cuts in farm programs and Medicare.

Senate debate on the deficit-cutting measure began a day after the House approved, mostly along party lines, a plan crafted by Democrats. The House-passed bill includes tax rate increases on the rich and the middle class that the Senate's bipartisan measure lacked.

Without agreement on a deficit-cutting budget plan, the government faces the possibility of another shutdown at midnight Friday, since President Bush has

said he would not sign another stopgap spending measure without a budget accord in place.

Bush said Tuesday he would veto the House bill and expressed support for the Senate version. But on Wednesday, the administration released a statement saying Bush's advisers would recommend a veto of the Senate bill unless two provisions were removed.

Those provisions reauthorized the Federal Aviation Administration with language dealing with labor protection, aviation noise reduction and landing rights that Bush opposed. It also increased fines federal health and safety agencies could impose for violations.

The administration also expressed ''serious concerns'' about 10 other minor provisions of the Senate bill.

Sens. Kent Conrad, D-N.D., and Max Baucus, D-Mont., offered an amendment to raise income tax rates for the rich to 33 percent from the current 28 percent, impose a 10 percent surtax on annual income over $1 million, hold the gas tax increase to 5 cents a gallon, and limit the increase in the Medicare deductible to $100, up from the current $75 but less than several other plans.

It would also reduce the bipartisan bill's proposed cuts in farm programs by ''something over 40 percent,'' said Conrad, who said his amendment shifted priorities without changing the bill's level of deficit reduction.

''It is more fair to middle income (Americans), more fair to elderly sick and more fair to the farmers,'' he said.

Sen. Steve Symms, R-Idaho, proposed stripping from the bill the 9.5 cent gas tax increase, arguing that ''raising the gas tax on working Americans is not the solution'' to the deficit problem.

''The price of gasoline has already gone up 30 or 40 cents and now we have the temerity to raise it another 9 cents,'' said Sen. Gordon Humphrey, R-N.H., a gas tax opponent.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine and Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas joined in fighting the Symms amendment, saying its adoption could devastate efforts to cut the deficit this year.

Eliminating the gasoline tax would strip $42.6 billion in new revenue from the deficit reduction bill over five years and cut the total savings below the $500 billion level demanded by Bush.

''It's a test of the individual members of the Senate and it's a test of the Senate as an institution,'' Mitchell said. ''Do we have that minimum level of courage that is necessary to do something that is necessary, unpleasant and

unpopular?''

''Do we want to be responsible for destroying the first serious deficit reduction effort in these United States in 10 years? We cannot in the name of our nation's future permit that to happen,'' he said.

Dole called the gasoline tax vote ''the moment of truth'' for deficit reduction and said if the Symms amendment passed ''we should wrap it up'' and forget about passing a deficit cutting bill.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 17) UPI - Average yields for money-market mutual funds were lower in the latest reporting week, while rates at competing savings and loan institutions were unchanged or lower, organizations that track the information said Wednesday.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.44 percent, down from 7.48 the previous week, and 30-day simple yields also were down at 7.46 percent vs. 7.47.

The average maturity of fund portfolios held steady at 45 days.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.86 percent, unchanged; Super-Now accounts, 4.94 percent, down from 4.95; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.47 percent, off from 7.48; 1-year CDs, 7.57 percent, down from 7.58; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.65 percent, down from 7.66; and five-year CDs, unchanged at 7.80 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.25 percent, unchanged from the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage rose in the latest week to 9.80 percent, up from 9.67 percent, while the average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage rose to 10.12 percent from 9.97.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan fell to 12.13 percent from 12.18 percent last week.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - The Soviet Union, in its first purchase of U.S. corn since last May 15, bought 350,000 metric tons of corn from U.S. exporters the Agriculture Department reported Wednesday.

The corn was worth about $31.5 million, based on Chicago prices. It will be delivered later this marketing year.

Soviet officials virtually cut off grain purchases last summer in anticipation of a huge domestic crop. The Agriculture Department estimated the Soviet crop will be 235 million tons, only 2 million tons short of the record.

As a result, Soviet imports were projected at 30 million tons for the current marketing year, leaning heavily on wheat, which is selling at low prices. The Kremlin bought 20.3 million tons of U.S. corn and wheat in fiscal 1990.

The Soviets purchased 350,000 tons of soybean meal in the past two weeks.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - Despite some misgivings, President Bush said Wednesday he will allow a landmark bill limiting advertising on children's television shows to become law without his signature.

The bill, which will become law automatically Thursday, is designed to increase the amount and quality of children's television as a condition of license renewal.

President Reagan vetoed a similar measure in his final year in office, November 1988.

''I have decided to withhold my approval from the Children's Television Act of 1990, which will result in its becoming law without my signature,'' Bush said in a statement. ''In an effort to improve children's television, this legislation imposes content-based restrictions on programming.''

Bush said he ''wholeheartedly'' supports the goals of the legislation, but he took issue with the ''inappropriate means'' chosen by Congress to enforce them.

''The advertising limits imposed by this legislation cannot reasonably be expected to advance their intended purpose,'' he said. ''To the extent that children's programming is financed by the revenue from advertising ... restrictions on the amount of advertising will tend to diminish, rather than enhance, the quantity and quality of children's programming.''

The legislation, nearly a decade in the making, directs the Federal Communications Commission to require television broadcasters to limit commerical advertising during children's programming to no more than 10.5 minutes per hour on weekends and 12 minutes per hour on weekdays.

Commenting shortly before the president's decision was announced, Peggy Charren of the Action for Children's Television, a longtime champion of the

legislation, praised it as a ''nifty gift to America's families.''

But, Charren added, ''It's too bad that this bipartisan bill had to become law without George Bush's signature.

''One would have though that the 'education president' would embrace a measure that gives the TV industry an incentive to become a partner in the education of this nation's young people.''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - Senate and House negotiators agreed Wednesday on a $288.3 billion military budget for 1991, but the chief bargainers for each chamber disagreed on what the deal means for the immediate future of the B-2 stealth bomber.

Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, said the authorization bill stops short of terminating the B- 2 program, but insisted it precludes production of the aircraft beyond the fleet of 15 previously approved by Congress.

However, Sens. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., and John Warner, R-Va., the chairman and ranking Republican of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said any money left over from production of the first 15 bombers could go toward buying additional planes.

The Bush administration has sought approval to build two planes beyond the 15 already authorized.

The futuristic bomber is designed to evade enemy radar and carry a nuclear payload to its target. The Pentagon has envisioned eventually building a fleet of 75 planes at a projected cost of $65 billion.

Aspin, acknowledging the difference of interpretation over the compromise, said, ''We understood that they (Senate negotiators) would describe it differently than we would describe it.''

But Aspin said he was willing to accept some ambiguity for now in the belief that ''my bargaining position will improve'' when lawmakers are forced to wrestle with the fate of the plane again next year.

''Time is on our side,'' Aspin said, noting waning support in Congress for large strategic weapons programs since the Cold War ended and the threat of a superpower confrontation virtually disappeared.

''As far as we're concerned, the B-2 is dead,'' said Rep. Ron Dellums, D-Calif., predicting that he and other staunch opponents of the bomber would

ultimately prevail in ending the program.

The bill authorizes $4.1 billion for the B-2 program in the fiscal year that began Oct. 1 - $2.83 billion for procurement and $1.8 billion for research and development. Aspin said cost overruns would absorb most of the total, with none left for additional bombers even if the bill allowed it.

''They're going to need more than $4.1 billion just to build the 15,'' he said.

The original House bill would have allowed $1.5 billion in continued research and development and terminated the program after production of 15 planes. The Senate had voted to authorize a total of $4.5 billion, including the procurement of two new planes in fiscal 1991.

The negotiators also agreed on $2.9 billion for the Strategic Defense Initiative, the space-based missile defense system popularly known as ''Star Wars.'' That is about $900 million less than approved last year and marks the first time since 1986 the authorization for SDI has dipped below $3 billion a year.

Aspin said he expected the SDI accord to draw strong objections from the Pentagon.

The authorizing legislation, which must clear the House and Senate before it can be sent to President Bush for his signature, sets upper limits on the amount of money that can be allocated for particular defense programs. But exact spending levels will be determined by a companion appropriations bill now working its way through Congress.

Overall the authorizing bill ''begins the process of implementing a new military strategy to meet our national security challenges in an era of constrained resources,'' Nunn said.

''One thing that means is less emphasis on strategic weapons and more on handling crises like the one we have now in the Persian Gulf,'' Aspin said.

The negotiators rejected the administration's request to kill the V- 22 Osprey a tilt-rotor warplane for the Marine Corps, designed to move more toops farther and faster than the largest troop-carrying helicopters.

The Senate-House conferees approved $165 million for advance procurement of prototypes used in operational tests and $238 million for research and development.

In addition, the negotiators settled on a $680 million pool for research and development on competing inter-continental ballistic missile systems - the rail-based version of the 10-warhead MX and the mobile single-warhead Midgetman. The conferees agreed that no more than one mobile ICBM should be

deployed.

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DALLAS (OCT. 17) UPI - A federal district judge Wednesday denied a motion by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. to dismiss a $1.3 billion lawsuit brought against it by creditors of First RepublicBank Corp.

The lawsuit charged that in 1988, the federal bank regulatory agency unlawfully forced the closure and the subsequent sale of 41 solvent banks owned by First Republic and its subsidiary, IFRB Corp., to offset the FDIC's insurance costs to deal with the insovency of two other First Republic banks in Houston and Dallas.

The complaint claimed the seizure of the banks led the bankruptcy filing of the two holding companies.

The FDIC's motion to dismiss the suit was denied by U.S. District Court Sydney Fitzwater, which in effect allowed the creditors' lawsuit to proceed in his court.

Fitzwater's decision followed another ruling in June in favor of First Republic.

In June, a decision by U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Steven Felsenthal prevented the FDIC from voting its counter-claim of $1 billion against First Republic in the company's plan of reorganization. The claim arose from the $1 billion loan made by the FDIC to First Republic's Houston and Dallas banks to stem a run on their deposits.

Felsenthal's ruling, which has been appealed by the FDIC to Judge Fitzwater, was based on his opinion that First Republic's creditors were likely to defeat the $1 billion claim. Fitzwater had yet to act on that appeal.

After seizing the 41 banks, the regulators sold them to other buyers including NCNB Corp. of Charoltte, N.C.

In the bankruptcy filings, First Republic listed assets of $384 million. Its creditors, mostly bondholders, were owed more than $1 billion.

Wednesday's ruling was termed another victory by First Republic's officials.

''Today's ruling strongly supports our efforts to confirm reorganziation plans for these companies,'' said Susan Brown, chief executive officer of First Republic.

A reorganization plan could go against FDIC because the plan would also allow

the creditors' lawsuit against the FDIC to go forward.

''The court's decision today represents a major step in our efforts to recover for the many First Republic creditors their fair share of the monies wrongfully taken away from them over two years ago,'' said Jeffrey Martin, attorney for the creditors.

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BOSTON (OCT. 17) UPI - Nearly half the high school students in a national survey released Wednesday have either joined in a racial or religious attack against peers or believed the victims got what they deserved.

The survey of a cross-section of 1,865 high school students in the 10th, 11th and 12th grades also found that one in four students have suffered racial or religious bias.

Four in 10 who saw someone of another race doing something they did not like said they were tempted to ask, ''What else can you expect from those types of people?''

But the survey, conducted by Louis Harris and Associates for the Reebok Foundation and Northeastern University's Center for the Study of Sport in Society, also found that 30 percent of the students were prepared to stop or condemn a racial or religious attack.

And three in four believed human rights extend far beyond what is guaranteed by law and half the students said they would like to help those less fortunate themselves.

The survey, taken between Aug. 31 through Sept. 18, prompted a national human rights initiative for youth launched Wednesday by Northeastern and Reebok International Ltd, the Massachusetts-based athletic shoe company.

Project TEAMWORK will begin in Boston, where a group of former celebrity athletes will visit high schools to educate teens on racism and religious discrimination, and form student Human Rights Squads of student athletes to put that education into practice.

''What we want is for students to become a core of activists, to lobby for whatever changes they want in their school and community,'' said Richard Lapchick, director of the Northeastern center.

The celebrity team consists of former Boston Red Sox pitcher Luis Tiant, former Chicago Bulls guard Norm Van Lier; Olympic rowing gold medalist Holly Metcalf; former New England Patriots running back Robert Weathers; and Bob McCabe, a member of the Olivais Basketball Club in Portugal.

The team will travel to New York, Los Angeles and Washington high schools this year, 10 more schools next year and 13 in the following year, Lapchick said.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 17) UPI - Fifty-one people, including the alleged leaders of two of the largest automobile insurance fraud rings in Southern California, have been charged following the biggest roundup of its kind in the nation's history, authorities said Wednesday.

District Attorney Ira Reiner said the charges, stemming from four separate cases pieced together by an auto insurance fraud task force, represent a loss of more than $45 million to car insurance policyholders in Southern California.

He called Los Angeles ''the auto insurance fraud capital of the United States'' and said more than 100 other suspects in about 30 other auto insurance fraud rings remain under investigation, with more charges and arrests expected in coming months.

''Automobile insurance fraud is a billion-dollar underground industry,'' Reiner said at a news conference. ''It is dominated by cappers and ringleaders who stage phony accidents, organize and train people to fabricate non-existent injuries and enlist new recruits into their organizations.''

Reiner said 20 of 24 defendants accused of participating in the so- called Crenshaw Cafe Ring, believed to be the oldest of its type in Los Angeles, were arrested Tuesday.

Arrested Wednesday were 18 of 20 people charged in connection with the so-called Eighth Street Gang Ring, which ran an insurance fraud operation believed to have caused losses to policyholders of more than $15 million, Reiner said.

Among those arrested in that case was Dr. Francisco Recalde, 46, who operated one of two medical clinics set up by the defendants to help them push phony insurance claims through.

The third case involves Century City physician Gershon Hepner, 52, who Reiner said is believed responsible for losses to policyholders of up to $8 million in connection with submission of fraudulent insurance claims. Hepner and two associates were indicted earlier this month.

The fourth case involves a former attorney, Jack Zaret, 40, who gave up his membership in the California State Bar during the course of the investigation. Reiner said that the Zaret fraudulent claim operation was run on a smaller scale than the others, but still is believed responsible for hundreds of

thousands of dollars in losses to policyholders.

Zaret and three of his associates surrendered Tuesday in Municipal Court.

Reiner said all four rings staged traffic accidents and even more sophisticated ''paper accidents'' in which no automobiles were involved.

The key behind the success of the rings, Reiner said, was that they were able to recruit a steady stream of phony claimants, usually from the neighborhoods where they operated.

The leaders of the rings also recruited crooked doctors, medical technicians, lawyers and others who would assist in filing the fraudulent claims with insurance companies, Reiner said.

''Without crooked doctors and crooked lawyers, these rings cannot operate,'' he said.

Reiner said the rings were able to get away with hundreds of fraudulent claims because they all involved relatively small amounts of money - less than $50,000 - and were quickly settled by insurance companies for equally small amounts, up to $25,000, to avoid lengthy and costly litigation.

The key to breaking the rings was the use of undercover agents from the various agencies who were able to infiltrate the operations, Reiner said.

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DETROIT (OCT. 18) UPI - Audi of America Inc. put its defenses into high gear Wednesday, charging that crash tests done under the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration on the Audi 80 sedan under its New Car Assessment Program were improperly conducted and are misleading.

Audi, whose sales were decimated several years ago by reports of unintended acceleration that were never substantiated, issued a tersely worded statement from its Troy, Mich., headquarters, saying a 1989-model Audi 80 was tested instead of a 1990 model, which has a driver-side air bag as standard equipment.

NHTSA findings, highlighted at a press conference Wednesday by three consumer safety groups in Washington, showed that in 35 mph crash tests, the driver dummy in the 1989-model Audi 80 - equipped with three-point automatic shoulder belts only - struck its head on the steering wheel rim upon impact.

''The implication, of course, was that such an event automatically carried dire consequences for the hypothetical driver,'' Audi said. ''What these safety groups failed to mention, in this attack on cars without air bags, is that the Audi ... should not even have been included in the non-air bag

category.

Audi spokesman Joseph Bennett said the company ''has no intention of sitting back and quietly listening to this.

''We have had more than our fair share of this, and frankly, we're fed up,'' Bennett said.

NHTSA's findings were empahsized in connection with a news conference by three safety activist groups - Motor Voters, the Center for Auto Safety, and the U.S. Public Interest Research Group - which charged Japanese automakers with lagging behind other manufacturers in installing air bags as standard equipment.

The groups asked Japanese carmakers to install the balloon-like safety devices on all models by 1992.

Consumer advocate Ralph Nader charged that 7,500 Americans will die and another 125,000 will suffer needless injury because Japanese automakers have lagged behind other manufacturers in offering air bags, which are effective only in a front-end collisions.

Out of 42 1990 models crash tested at 35 mph using available seat belt systems only and no air bags, 92 percent, or 39 vehicles had driver dummies which struck their heads against the steering wheel rim, the safety groups said in issuing NHTSA's findings.

An additional 13 cars were tested using manual seat belts and air bags combined. Among those cars, 100 percent of the driver dummies' heads contacted air bags and did not strike the steering wheel.

But Audi's Bennett noted that 16 of the 42 cars in the first group were in fact 1989 models instead of 1990 versions.

Automakers that currently equip all of their models with airbags include European companies Audi, BMW, Mercedes-Benz, Porsche, Saab and Volvo, with Isuzu the only Japanese company to do so.

Chrysler Corp. leads American automakers by offering air bags in 93 percent of its models, including all its cars made in North America. Ford Motor Co. has air bags in 45 percent of its cars, while about one third of General Motors Corp.'s cars have the devices.

Under federal rules, all cars sold in the United States after Sept. 1, 1993 must have either air bags or automatic safety belts in both the driver and front passenger positions.

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BANGOR, Maine (OCT. 17) UPI - A deer hunter who shot and killed a mother in her backyard after mistaking her white mittens for a deer's tail was found innocent Wednesday of manslaughter by a Superior Court jury.

Donald Rogerson, 47, of Bangor, was charged with manslaughter in the Nov. 15, 1988, shooting of Karen Wood, 37, a mother of infant twin girls from Hermon.

After nine hours of deliberations over Tuesday and Wednesday morning, the Penobscot County jury reached the innocent verdict shortly before 11 a.m.

Members of the Rogerson family jumped out of their seats in the courtroom when the verdict was announced.

Rogerson, a local Boy Scout leader, said he was ''overwhelmed'' and that his heart went out to the Wood family. He said he hoped God would give strength to the victim's family.

Karen Wood's husband, Kevin, hung his head and walked out of the courtroom after hearing the verdict. He later said he was shocked by the verdict and felt sorry for the Bangor community, which he said the jury represented.

Rogerson claimed he mistook Wood's white mittens for a deer's tail and shot her while she stood in her back yard, barely 100 feet from her house.

The issue in the trial was whether Rogerson was criminally negligent and the shooting opened a bitter dispute over Maine's traditional support of hunting.

Rogerson, a supermarket produce manager, told a packed courtroom Tuesday he did not realize how close he was to Wood's home in Hermon. He said he saw a deer and fired two shots. The second shot struck Wood in the chest.

Game wardens said they found no evidence of deer in the area where Rogerson was aiming.

The prosecution had argued Rogerson was criminally negligent because he did not verify what he was shooting at.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - Farmers are likely to make only modest changes in their mixture of crops if Congress goes ahead with a plan to reduce sharply the amount of land eligible for subsidies, studies indicated Wednesday.

The reduction would be a result of the so-called triple-base plan, a key money-saving component in the new farm policy bill. It would make 15 percent

of the wheat, feed grains, cotton and rice land ineligible for support payments, but give farmers great freedom to decide what to grow on the land.

Because triple base never has been tested, there is concern on Capitol Hill and among farm organizations about its impact. Some worry it will mean abrupt changes in crop production, as well as meaning a smaller government safety net.

Agriculture Department analyses foresee relatively small changes in acreage. Economist Keith Collins said over the five-year life of the farm bill, soybean acreage was projected to rise 2-4 percent, corn acreage to drop 2-3 percent, wheat acreage to be relatively unchanged and cotton to go up 4-8 percent.

The figures were similar to the conclusions made in a mid-May analysis by the department.

''Those are fairly modest shifts,'' Collins said, considering that 20 million to 25 million acres might be eligible for shifting under the triple base.

Wheat, corn, sorghum, barley, oats, cotton and rice are the major crops covered by the farm program. Farmers planted 196 million acres of those crops this year, plus 57.7 million acres of soybeans, which are not part of the farm program.

Private analysts have said soybean acreage was most likely to increase in the Midwest and to drop in the South, where yields are lower, under the triple base.

A consultant familiar with the so-called minor oilseed crops, such as canola, sunflowers and safflowers, said triple base should mean an opportunity for those crops to expand acreage. The farm bill includes marketing loans for soybeans and other oilseeds.

The rate is too low to ''provide anyone a profit but it will provide insurance against a large loss,'' he said, which could spur farmers to look at alternate crops. He named wheat farmers as one segment that might show new interest in oilseeds.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 17) UPI - The pork industry, which has seen chicken and seafood blossom in popularity with health-conscious Americans, unveiled a study Tuesday showing pork contains less fat than several years ago.

The reductions were due to efforts to produce leaner hogs and steps by packing plants and grocers to trim fat from the cuts that are being sold.

Chicken and fish still showed generally lower figures for fat and cholesterol

but pork officials celebrated the improvements notched by their products.

The University of Wisconsin study, based on cuts of pork purchased at stores in 15 cities, showed 31 percent less fat, 17 percent fewer calories and 10 percent less cholesterol than officially attributed to pork in government handbooks issued in 1983.

The Agriculture Department is expected to publish a new handbook for pork next spring. It will take into account recent research on nutrient content in pork, including the University of Wisconsin study.

''This study confirms lean pork cuts can be part of healthy eating habits,'' said Johanna Dwyer, a Tufts University professor who reviewed the study.

Results were announced jointly in Washington and Denver, where the author of the study, D.R. Buege, Dwyer and Indiana farmer John Hardin sat in front to posters showing the portly porkers of the 1940s and the svelte hog of today.

Buege said most of the reduction in fat was due to leaner meat, rather than just more diligent trimming of fat. However, grocers are selling cuts that are much more closely trimmed with one-eighth of an inch of fat on average, compared to one-quarter inch a decade ago.

Per capita pork consumption has held steady in recent years while chicken has soared and seafood turned in solid gains in popularity. Americans were forecast to consume an average of 67.4 pounds of beef, 60.5 pounds of pork and 69.7 pounds of chicken this year.

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TAIPEI, Taiwan (UPI) - Microsoft Corp. said Wednesday that along with Taiwanese authorities, it has taken action against a counterfeit operation that may have been responsible for introducing more than 30, 000 counterfeit copies of the Microsoft MS-DOS operating system into the Taiwan, North American and European markets.

The Redmond, Wash.-based software company said it was working with the Taiwanese national police and the anti-counterfeit agency of the Ministry of Economic Affairs on the anti-piracy campaign.

A surprise police search of Data State Corporation, a trading company based in Taipei, revealed a significant number of unauthorized copies of Microsoft MS-DOS operating system versions 3.3 and 4.01 software and documentation. Microsoft is seeking criminal prosecution in the case.

Based on a preliminary estimate, the counterfeits involved in the recent seizure, and those revealed in business records obtained during the seizure,

could have displaced legitimate sales to end users with a value of more than $4.5 million, based on the average retail price. As part of an ongoing effort against software piracy, the seizure was the largest against a single company counterfeiting Microsoft software in Taiwan. Last summer, Taiwanese newspapers reported that after Business Software Alliance raids, sales of legitimate software rose dramatically. Microsoft expects a similar situation with MS-DOS software in Taiwan.

Seizure orders were issued in connection with a criminal complaint filed by Microsoft. On Oct. 16, the orders were executed at five separate locations - an office, warehouses, a printing house and book bindery associated with Data State. In the search, approximately 5,500 complete counterfeit copies of MS-DOS versions 3.3 and 4.01 were found. In addition more than 18,000 bound manuals, numerous duplication machines and thousands of components to be used in assembling counterfeit copies of MS-DOS software packages were also seized by the police.

Data State is believed to have sold counterfeit copies of the MS-DOS operating system to small OEMs, or original equipment manufacturers, distributors and resellers in Taiwan, North America and Europe. The bogus MS-DOS packaged product appears at first glance to be identical to legitimate copies of the MS-DOS operating system bearing only the Microsoft logo. Legitimate products bearing the Microsoft logo are manufactured exclusively by Microsoft.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - A Soviet official who met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein earlier this month says he still believes it's possible Iraq will soften its position on the Persian Gulf crisis. Soviet emissary Yevgeny Primakov made his comment today following a meeting in Paris with Frech President Francois Mitterand.

South Africa's Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu is calling for a meeting between rival black leaders Nelson Mandela and Mangosuthu Buthelezi. Tutu says anyone who refuses to accept the call could possibly be branded as an enemy ''of liberation.'' The session would focus on black unity in advance of power-sharing talks with the white minority government.

The Environmental Protection Agency warns that radon is a major problem in indoor air in a number of American homes. E-P-A studies conducted in nine states during this past winter reveal that one in five American homes contain health-threatening levels of radon. The odorless and colorless, cancer-causing gas is released from uranium deposits in rock and soil.

There were songs celebrating life today in the San Francisco Bay Area to mark the first anniversary of last year's huge earthquake that claimed 62 lives. Some civic leaders praised the region's efforts to repair the physical,

emotional and economic damage. But others warned of the inevitability of another major quake in the NOT-so-distant future.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - Czechoslovakian President Vaclav Havel swept a leading communist holdover out of his cabinet today. Havel fired Defense Minister Miroslav Vacek. Vacek served as army chief of staff under Czechoslovakia's now-deposed communist government, and he's been accused of dragging his feet on reforms. Havel gave Prime Minister Marian Calfa temporary control over the armed forces.

The government crisis deepened today in Yugoslavia. Parliament prevented President Borisav Jovic from delivering a speech on the crisis. Croatian deputies were joined by members of parliament from three other republics in demanding that Jovic delay his address until after tomorrow. That's when former Croatian Prime Minister Stipe Mesic is to be considered for a seat on Yugoslavia's eight-person presidency.

A NON-profit group of scientists wants to return to the moon- without the financial support of the U-S or Soviet governments. The scientists plan to launch a lunar mapping satellite in 1992, funding the operation in part by using the satellite as a billboard for a major corporate sponsor. One scientist says the project represents ''the first attempt at the commercialization of space.''

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(OCT. 17) UPI - Iraqi officials today repeated Baghdad's UNcompromising stance on withdrawing from Kuwait. That word coincides with the release of an interview with Javier Perez de Cuellar in a German magazine. The U-N secretary-general suggests the world body could take a tougher approach against Iraq. Perez de Cuellar says military action is a legitimate option if economic sanctions fail. .

The price of crude oil took a tumble today as traders were encouraged by the possibility of peace negotiations in the Middle East. The U-S benchmark West Texas Intermediate fell two-dollars 17-cents... to 36- dollars 72-cents a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The markets were positioned for further decline because of the possibility of negotiations with Iraq.

Defense lawyers for convicted killer Wilbert Evans say they have new evidence that stregthens his case for clemency. Evans is scheduled to die tonight in Virginia's electric chair. The lawyers introduced documents telling how Evans saved the lives of guards and nurses who were held hostage during the largest death-row breakout in U- S history. The uprising took place in 1984 at the

Mecklenburg Correctional Center.

African killer bees- feared in the United States since the '70's- have finally moved across the Rio Grande. The first U-S killer bee swarm was discovered Sunday in Hidalgo, Texas. But the swarm was destroyed by the U-S Agriculture Department. African killer bees are more aggressive than the average honey bee. U-S and Mexican officials have been trying to weaken the strain through hybridization as they gradually move north.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

BASEBALL

Mets third baseman Howard Johnson and pitcher Ron Darling will both undergo surgery Saturday in New York. Johnson will have arthroscopic surgery on his left shoulder to repair a slight cartilage tear. Darling will have a procedure to remove chips, spurs and cartilage from his right elbow. Dr. James Parkes, the Mets' team physician, will perform both operations.

EQUESTRIAN

The Dutch parliament will discuss possible banishment of certain equestrian sports such as cross country and military, following recent accidents. The decision to discuss a ban came after last weekend's Military meet at Boekelo where a horse broke its neck and several other horses received severe injuries.

FOOTBALL

Joe Montana and Jerry Rice of the San Francisco 49ers were named NFC Offensive Players of the Week for their record-setting performances in Week 6. Montana passed for career highs with 476 yards and six touchdowns - five to Rice - in the 49ers victory over Atlanta. Rice caught a club record 13 passes for 225 yards. Montana's performance was the 11th best single game passing total in NFL history. ... New York Giants cornerback Greg Jackson, who intercepted two passes and made six tackles in the Giants win at Washington, was honored as the conference's Defensive Player of the Week. ... Warren Moon of the Houston Oilers and Bill Maas of the Kansas City Chiefs are the AFC's Offensive and Defensive Players of the Week. Moon threw for 369 yards and a career- high five TDS in a win over Cincinnati and Maas had two sacks, including a safety in the Chiefs victory over Detroit.

GOLF

Nick Faldo, this year's Masters and British Open champion, was selected as the 1990 PGA Player of the Year. Faldo is the first non- American in history to

win the award.

SOCCER

The U.S. National Team lost to a Croatian All-Star team 2-1 in Zagreb, Yugoslavia. ... Feyenoord, of Holland's first division, agreed to pay a transfer fee of $1.2 million to Dinamo Bucharest for the rights to Ioan Sabau, who starred for Romania in last summer's World Cup.

SKIING

Pavel Stastny resigned as head of the Czechoslovakian national downhill ski team after agreeing to direct the Stratton Mountain Ski School in Stratton, Vt.

TENNIS

A Frankfurt, Germany prosecutor formally charged a model and a boxing promoter with blackmailing Peter Graf, father of world No. 1 tennis player, Steffi Graf. Nicole Meissner, 22, and 42-year-old Eberhard Thust, both of Frankfurt, are said to have received $530,000 from Peter Graf after they threatened to go public with the information that Graf is the father of Meissner's child. German press reports in this summer claimed Graf paid the money, although he has denied the paternity allegation. Meissner later withdrew her statement that Peter Graf is the father.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - Hopes for a deficit-reduction agreement between the White House and Congress are in the hands of the Senate. Senators tonight are debating a number of amendments to a bipartisan budget agreement- some of which would jeopardize the supoort of President Bush. He's already promised to veto any deficit-reduction plan that resembles the one passed last night by the House.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney met with Mikhail Gorbachev in Moscow today and congratulated the Soviet president on winning the Nobel Peace Prize. Gorbachev joked that it was ''unusual'' for the cause of peace to be praised by ''the leader of a military department.'' Cheney later had a more-pointed exchange with Soviet lawmakers, who questioned him on continued U-S support for Afghan rebels and nuclear testing.

The pilot of a Marine warplane that went down last night over the ocean off San Clemente, California, is still missing. Military officials say Lieutenant Mark Gelgean's F-Abomber apparently crashed during night training for aircraft-carrier landing. A Coast Guard helicopter today spotted an empty life raft and a dye marker, but saw NO sign of Gelgean.

Attorneys for Mark and Crispina Calvert accused Anna Johnson of being a gold-digger today in closing arguments of the surrogate-mother, child- custody case in Santa Ana, California. Johnson began arguing for a role in the child's upbringing in August, when she was seven months pregnant. The couple's attorney says she sued for parental rights mainly in hopes of getting book and movie deals.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Seattle - Fired bullpen coach Bob Didier.

BASKETBALL

Houston - Waived center Jim Rowinski.

La Crosse (CBA) - Signed center Brett Vroman and forward Pat Reynolds to 1-year contracts.

Pensacola (CBA) - Signed forward Tony Kimbro and center Greg Williams.

COLLEGE

Arizona State - Announced wide receiver Mickey Reeves has left the football team due to personal problems.

Atlantic 10 - Named Robert Steitz assistant commissioner.

Clarion - Announced resignation of Athletic Director Frank Lignelli; named Robert Carlson acting athletic director.

Hobart - Announced resignation of football coach Richard Taylor, effective after the season.

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Re-signed quarterback Hugh Millen; placed safety Elbert Shelley on injured reserve.

Cleveland - Placed receiver Reggie Langhorne on injured reserve; activated receiver Eugene Rowell.

Indianapolis - Agreed to contract terms with quarterback Joe Ferguson; waived running back Ken Clark.

NY Giants - Placed linebacker Carl Banks on injured reserve; signed free agent linebacker Lawrence McGrew.

Ottawa (CFL) - Transferred defensive lineman John Kropke to the injury list.

Phoenix - Signed linebacker David Braxton; re-signed wide receiver John Jackson and assigned him to practice roster.

Washington - Placed defensive back Johnny Thomas on injured reserve; signed defensive back Sidney Johnson.

HOCKEY

Detroit - Sent goaltender Glen Hanlon to San Diego of the International Hockey League.

Phoenix (IHL) - Traded left wing Scott Harlow to New Haven (AHL) for left wing Jerome Bechard.

New Jersey - Recalled goaltender Roland Melanson from Utica of the American Hockey League.

SOCCER

Dallas (MSL) - Signed midfielder Bruno Ferretti.

Milwaukee (NPSL) - Signed defender Arturo Velazco to 1-year contract.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - Northern California is marking a somber anniversary- the earthquake one year ago that claimed 62 lives. Bells tolled at 5:04 p-m, the time when the 15-second quake struck, toppling buildings and collapsing bridges and roadways.

A deer hunter who shot and killed a woman in her backyard was found innocent of manslaughter today in Bangor, Maine. Donald Rogerson told a jury he shot Karen Wood in 1988 after mistaking her white mittens for a deer's tail.

A Texas woman pleaded guilty today to failing to protect her two- year-old son from a fatal beating by his stepfather. Robbi Boutwell is expected to testify against her ex-spouse, whose trial begins Monday in Austin.

A Mormon Church spokesman in Salt Lake City says Ezra Taft Benson is back at home after 29 days in a hospital. The spiritual leader for the world's seven-and-a-half-Million Mormons was treated for blood clots on his brain.

Voodoo practitioners may bring a different form of danger to places they're trying to rid of evil spirits. The British journal Nature says mercury- which can cause a variety of health problems- is used by many voodoo practitioners.

New York's Bard College may hear some one-liners in the future from its board of trustees. The liberal arts college's board members today elected comedian Chevy Chase as a trustee of his alma mater during a meeting in New York City.

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(OCT. 17) UPI - Three former South American presidents are plagued by scandals involving questionable use of public funds. In Chile, General Augusto Pinochet is being asked about three large army checks allegedly cashed by his oldest son. Venezuela's Jaime Lusinchi is accused of using government money to buy jeeps he gave to his associates. And, Alan Garcia of Peru is fighting charges stemming from real estate dealings.

Congress' armed services committee chiefs are squaring off on the future of the B-2 stealth bomber as it relates to a military budget. A 288-point-three-BILLION dollar authorization bill approved today by Senate and House negotiators does NOT give any money for new stealth bombers in fiscal 1991. But the Senate Armed Services leader insists any money left over from production of earlier approved planes can go towards buying additional ones.

Lawmakers are closer to an agreement on a clean air bill... following a tentative accord reached today between House and Senate negotiators. The negotiators came to terms on requirements for businesses to cut toxic and cancer-causing chemical pollution. That leaves only one major issue to tackle... acid rain. The lawmakers are expected to meet again tomorrow.

President Bush had misgivings, but he did NOT veto a bill limiting advertisements during children's televison shows. The measure becomes law tomorrow. Under the law, ads during children's programing are limited to 10-and-a-half minutes an hour on weekends and 12 minutes an hour on weekdays. President Reagan vetoed a similar bill in 1988.

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BEAVERTON, OR (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Sequent Computer Systems Inc. Thursday reported revenues of $66.5 million for the third quarter, which ended Sept. 29, 1990.

This represents a 65 percent increase over the $40.4 million in revenues in the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter was $6.0 million ($.25 per share), compared to $5.2 million ($.25 per share) for the corresponding 1989 quarter.

Net income for the third quarter of 1989 included an extraordinary credit of $1,040,000 ($.05 per share) from the utilization of net operating loss carry-forwards. Excluding this credit, third quarter 1990 income increased 44 percent and earnings per share increased 25 percent on a year-to-year basis.

Revenues through the first three quarters of 1990 totaled $175.5 million, up 80 percent from $97.7 for the corresponding period in 1989. Net income for the same period in 1990 was $16.3 million ($.71 per share), compared to $11.0 million ($.58 per share) in 1989.

Scott Gibson, Sequent's president, attributed the company's solid third quarter performance to strong customer demand for open computing solutions. ''Throughout the world and across virtually all industry segments, leading companies are embracing UNIX and open systems to improve productivity, enhance their competitive positions and escape their dependence on proprietary vendors.''

Sequent has pioneered the development of open systems solutions for mainstream applications since the company was founded in 1983. ''As a result, we are leading a movement that is bringing affordable computing to a wide range of companies and changing the way they automate their business,'' said Gibson.

Sequent's acknowledged leadership in UNIX-based open systems came into sharp focus during this quarter. AT&T's UNIX System Laboratories chose the company as its primary development partner for the symmetric multiprocessing version of UNIX System V, Release 4 to be released in 1992.

Based on Sequent's DYNIX/ptx operating system, UNIX System V, Release 4 will also incorporate technology from a number of other UNIX vendors. ''We believe the result will be a UNIX system product of very high performance and quality, and one which the industry will acknowledge as the premier commercial computing standard,'' Gibson said.

Sequent Computer Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:SQNT) is a leading provider of open systems computing solutions for the commercial OLTP market. The company, which employs more than 1,600 people, reported 1989 revenues of $145.6 million

and second quarter 1990 revenues of $58.2 million.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - PENWEST (NASDAQ: PENW) reported record sales and earnings for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Aug. 31.

Tod R. Hamachek, chief executive officer, said demand for the company's specialty chemical starch products was strong throughout the year and the fourth quarter despite generally soft paper sales.

From continuing operations, PENWEST earned $1.97 million, a fourth-quarter record, or 26 cents per share, up from $1.87 million and 25 cents per share. Sales were $24.8 million, also a record, up from $19.7 million.

For the year, record earnings from continuing operations were $7.95 million, or $1.06 per share, up from $5.56 million and 68 cents per share. Sales for the year were $91.99 million, up from $79.83 million.

Net earnings, which include a non-recurring gain of 3 cents per share, were $2.2 million, or 29 cents per share, for the quarter and $8.2 million, or $1.09 per share, for the year.

PENWEST develops, manufactures and markets specialty carbohydrate and synthetic polymer chemicals for papermaking. The company also produces and markets specialty food ingredients and agricultural nutrition supplements.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Federal Savings and Loan Association of Cleveland Thursday reported net income rose 10 percent in the second quarter and 7 percent for the first six months ended Sept. 30, compared to the same period in 1989.

Net income increased to $601,000, or 71 cents per share, for the second quarter. This compares with the net income of $544,000, or 64 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

For the first six months, net income increased to $1,156,000, or $1.36 per share in 1990, compared to $1,085,000, or $1.29 per share for the same period in 1989.

Net yield on Security Federal's interest-earning assets in the second quarter of 1990 was 3.31 percent, compared with 3.08 percent in 1989, and 3.25 percent for the first half of 1990, compared to 3.06 percent last year.

Shareholders' equity (capital) increased by $3.1 million, or 20 percent, to $18.4 million as of Sept. 30, from $15.3 million a year earlier. The Association's regulatory capital ratios continue to exceed the minimum capital requirements specified by federal regulations.

Security Federal operates nine offices in a five-county area in Northeast Ohio. As of Sept. 30, the Association had assets of $349 million, compared to $330 million a year earlier. Security Federal is traded in the national over-the-counter market and is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''SFSL.''

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MUNCIE, IND. (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Ball Corp. (NYSE:BLL) Thursday reported record third quarter sales of $351.8 million, 9.5 percent above last year's $321.2 million.

Net earnings available to common shareholders, after preferred dividends, rose 51.3 percent to $18 million against $11.9 million in 1989, and earnings per share, also a third quarter record, grew 59.6 percent to 83 cents from 52 cents a year ago.

Sales for the first nine months of the year were $1,055.2 million, 15.2 percent above last year's $915.7 million; net income rose 32 percent to $47.4 million vs. $35.9 million last year; earnings available to common shareholders increased 25.4 percent to $43.4 million, compared with $34.6 million in 1989; and earnings per share of $1.99 were 33.6 percent above 1989's $1.49.

Shipments of metal beverage containers, which exceeded 1989 year to date totals by almost 20 percent, combined with greater efficiencies, raised profits in that business well above the depressed levels of the past two years although margins remain below acceptable levels.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Oct. 1, 1989
Net sales	$ 351.8	$ 321.2
Costs and other deductions	328.1	306.2
Income from consolidated operations before taxes	23.7	15.0
Taxes on income	(7.6)	(4.9)
Income from consolidated operations	16.1	10.1
Equity in earnings of joint ventures	3.3	3.1
Net income	19.4	13.2
Preferred dividends	(1.4)	(1.3)
Net earnings available to common shareholders	$ 18.0	$ 11.9
Net earnings per common share	$ .83	$ .52
Weighted average shares outstanding	21,888,249	22,807,277

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OMAHA, NE (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Data Transmission Network Corp. (NASDAQ:DTLN) announced Thursday record earnings and revenues for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The third quarter was also the 13th consecutive quarter of improved operating cash flow results.

The company's net income increased 346 percent in the third quarter and 116 percent in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to the same periods in 1989. Net income was $460,000, or 14 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1990 compared to $103,000, or 3 cents per share, in 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $937,000, or 28 cents per share, compared to $435,000, or 13 cents per share, in the same period in 1989.

For the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 23 percent to $4,562,000 and 28 percent to $13,092,000 respectively, compared to the same periods in 1989. The growth in revenues was the result of an increase in the company's total subscribers, from 42,700 at Sept. 30, 1989 to 51,600 at Sept. 30, 1990, as well as from higher advertising and additional services revenues.

Net income before depreciation expense increased 72 percent in the third quarter and 59 percent during the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to the corresponding periods in 1989. Operating cash flow margin (income before depreciation and interest expense as a percentage of total revenue) improved to 40 percent in the third quarter of 1990, up from 31 percent during the third quarter of 1989.

The improvement in operating results during the first nine months of 1990 was due to wider margins between operating revenues (subscriptions, advertising and additional services) and marketing, general and administrative expenses measured on a per susbscriber per month basis. During the first nine months of 1990, margins per subscriber widened 38 percent to $9.99, compared to $7.23 in 1989, and revenues per subscriber per month increased 7 percent to $26.02 while operating expenses per subscriber decreased 6 percent to $16.03.

Data Transmission Network Corp. is a leading provider of electronic agricultural and financial market quotes, news and information.

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PORTLAND, ORE. (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Portland General Corp. (NYSE:PGN) reports earnings of $32 million, or 69 cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, on revenues of $188 million.

Included in third quarter earnings is a one-time gain of $16 million, or 35 cents per share, from a regulatory settlement reached in July with the Oregon Public Utility Commission (PUC).

Without the one-time gain, earnings would have been $16 million or 34 cents per share. This compares with earnings of $4 million, or 9 cents per share, on revenues of $181 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Third quarter 1990 operating revenues increased more than $7 million, or 4 percent, over the prior year. Revenues from sales of electricity to PGE's

retail customers rose $7 million on a 5 percent increase in kilowatt-hours sold. PGE added 3,600 new residential customers during the period and currently serves 579,000 retail customers.

Portland General's operating expenses decreased $11 million before taxes, primarily due to reduced purchased power costs at PGE. The utility bought 13 percent less power during the 1990 quarter. Power production from PGE's own plants, particularly the Trojan Nuclear Plant, increased 40 percent.

Trojan provided 31 percent of PGE's retail customers' electricity needs during the third quarter of 1990, compared with 15 percent in the comparable 1989 period. PGE's Boardman Coal and Beaver Combustion Turbine plants, brought back on line in 1990 after PGE secured more economic fuel and fuel transportation contracts for them, also contributed to the increased internal power production.

In the regulatory settlement reached in July, PGE agreed to dismiss its appeal of two PUC decisions - one regarding a refund of interim revenues received in 1986 and 1987, and one in which the PUC denied PGE's plan to amortize over five years certain investment tax credits (ITC). PGE is continuing to appeal the PUC's treatment of gains from the sale of a portion of the Boardman Coal Plant.

Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $71 million, or $1.53 per share, on revenues of $613 million compared with $42 million, or 91 cents per share, on revenues of $574 million in the 1989 period.

Portland General is an energy company with businesses offering regulated and commercial energy products and services.

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BENTONVILLE, AR (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Wal-Mart Stores Inc. (NYSE,PSE:WMT) has announced details of a new battery recovery incentive program as part of Wal-Mart's commitment to the environment.

This program is offered to customers across the company's 33-state trade territory.

Wal-Mart customers and associates will now be given the opportunity to bring used automotive batteries to their local Wal-Mart store for proper disposal. Wal-Mart vendor-partners, Johnson Controls and GNB, will recycle the lead and plastic from the recovered batteries.

The program offers customers a place to properly dispose of used batteries and receive a cash back refund at the same time. Customers will receive $2 cash back on any automotive or marine battery and $1 cash back on any used lawn and garden or motorcycle battery. In addition to the cash back to customers, Wal-Mart will contribute 50 cents for every battery returned through the incentive program to an environmental effort in each community.

This program was initiated on Sept. 1, 1990, and is in effect at all 1,485 discount stores. The battery recovery incentive program is in addition to the $5 auto battery exchange program, whereby a customer can take a used battery to the store and when making a new battery purchase, the used battery goes toward the $5 exchange fee. Wal-Mart customers exchanged 440,000 used batteries during the first three months of the battery exchange program.

The 28-year old Wal-Mart chain currently operates 1,485 discount stores, 139 Sam' Wholesale clubs and four Wal-Mart's HYPERMART USA stores. The company, headquartered in Bentonville, also operates 17 major distribution centers across the country.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - In its largest international sale of 486-based systems, AST Research Inc. will supply the Tokyo Grain Exchange with more than 70 Premium 486/33 personal computers.

The purchase, totaling close to $1 million, follows recent legislation in the Japanese Parliament permitting the introduction of options trading for commodities in Japan. The Tokyo Grain Exchange is the largest agricultural commodities exchange in Japan.

The AST systems will be used as workstations for the Japanese exchange's traders based in Tokyo. The International Commodities Clearing House (ICCH) in London developed special software for the Japanese exchange and assisted in the selection of the computers.

ICCH recommended AST's systems after examining several personal computer manufacturers.

''AST's Premium 486 line provides the high performance required by the Tokyo Exchange,'' said Jim Ashbrook, senior vice president of marketing.

''AST's policies regarding quality and worldwide support also were key factors in the selection of the Premium 486/33 systems.''

The contract will be supported by Mitsui Trading Group's London office.

Founded in 1980, AST reported record sales of $533 million for fiscal year 1990, ended June 28, 1990. AST rated third in sales of 486-based computers, according to a recent InfoCorp market survey. The industry research firm also has ranked AST third in U.S. dealer channel sales of 386-based systems.

AST Research Inc. is a leading manufacturer of high-performance personal computers, enhancement and data communication products. AST's personal computer line features the Premium and Bravo families, allowing users to choose from a full range of price and performance options.

AST is represented in 89 countries and operates 27 subsidiaries and sales offices worldwide. AST was the first manufacturer to offer an upgrade capability for a complete family of personal computers.

AST Research corporate headquarters are located at 16215 Alton Parkway, P.O. Box 19658, Irvine, Calif., 92713-9658. Telephone: 714/727-4141. FAX: 714/727-9355.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - U S WEST (NYSE:USW) Thursday reported earnings per share of 77 cents on net income of $302.6 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 -- an increase of 11.6 percent and 17.2 percent, respectively, over the third quarter last year when the company earned 69 cents per share on net income of $258.1 million.

The per share amounts reflect a two-for-one stock split distributed by the company on May 2, 1990 and the issuance of 16.1 million additional shares during the second quarter of 1990.

Third-quarter revenues totaled $2.48 billion, a 6.9 percent increase over third-quarter revenues last year. Return on equity was 13.4 percent, compared to 13.2 percent in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, U S WEST reported earnings per share of $2.22 on net income of $850.9 million, compared to earnings per share of $2.08 on net income of $766.3 million during the first nine months of 1989.

Access lines have increased 2.9 percent since last year, with business lines up 3.2 percent over a year ago. Increases in demand for telecommunication services continue to be largely offset by rate reductions in local and interstate jurisdictions.

U S WEST owns U S WEST Communications and other companies involved in communications, data solutions, marketing services and financial services.

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MUSKEGON, MI (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - SPX Corp. (NYSE:SPW) Thursday reported sales and earnings for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

Sales for the July - September third quarter rose 14 percent to $177 million, as compared to sales of $154.7 million in the same quarter one year ago.

Net income in the third quarter was $4.5 million, or 33 cents per share. This compared with $6.3 million from continuing operations, or 41 cents per share, in the third quarter of the prior year when these results included a pretax gain of $4.3 million ($2.7 million aftertax or 18 cents per share) from the sale of a small non-core business.

Third quarter sales to the Service Product Sector increased 19 percent to $151.6 million and accounted for 86 percent of Company revenues. In this sector, sales of specialty repair tools and equipment rose 26 percent to $109.8 million, and revenues from sales 3/8f aftermarket repair parts grew modestly to $41.8 million. Sales of products for the Industrial Products Sector grew to $25.4 million, and accounted for the remaining 14 percent of the quarter's revenues.

For the first nine months of 1990, sales were $545.9 million, an increase of 13 percent over first nine months 1989 sales of $482.6 million. Earnings for the January - September period were $18.6 million, or $1.35 per share, This compared to first nine months 1989 earnings of $21.6 million from continuing operations, or $1.53 per share, when results included a pretax gain of $6.2 million ($3.8 million aftertax or $.27 per share) from the sale of four small non-core businesses.

Commenting on the company's performance, Dale A. Johnson, president and chief executive officer of SPX, said ''The increase in third quarter revenues was largely due to sales of new environmental products and strong performance by our program tooland equipment businesses. These positive contributions were partially offset by soft conditions in the markets for vehicle performance test and wheel service equipment, window and door hardware and industrial hydraulic products. Those conditions further softened during September.''

Johnson also said that ''As we look toward the fourth quarter and into 1991,

our environmental products and program specialty tools and equipment products should continue their important contribution to revenues and earnings. The Company will also benefit from the start up of new globally based dealer equipment programs. Short term, our businesses are aggressively responding to softness in key markets with programs of targeted marketing and cost containment.''

SPX Corp., a Fortune 500 company, is a world leader in the production and distribution of specialty repair tools and equipment and repair parts to the motor vehicle service industry.

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BUFFALO, NY (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Niagara Share Corp. Thursday reported that its net assets on Sept. 30 were $209,441,315, equal to $15.73 per share.

On Sept. 30, 1989 net assets were $231,091,880, equal to $18.07 per share.

Adjusted for reinvestment of distributions from capital gains, net asset value per share decreased 7.7 percent for the nine months ended Dec. 31, 1989 compared with a decrease of 13.4 percent in the Standard & Poor's 500 Stock Price Index. For the twelve months ended Sept. 30 net asset value per share, similarly adjusted, decreased 6.1 percent compared with a decrease of 12.3 percent in the Standard & Poor's 500 Stock Price Index.

Niagara Share Corp. is a publicly traded investment fund whose shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Its domestic and foreign securities portfolio is committed to investments which, in the opinion of management, have prospects of superior long-term appreciation.

NIAGARA SHARE CORP.
Financial Highlights

	Sept. 30, 1990 (unaudited)	Dec. 31, 1989	Sept. 30, 1989 (unaudited)
Net assets	$209,441,315 (a)	$229,762,615 (b)	$231,091,880
Asset value per share	$ 15.73 (a)	$ 17.15 (b)	$ 18.07
Shares outstanding	13,314,076	13,399,276	12,787,026

(a) After distributions from capital gains of $1.007 per share paid Dec. 27, 1989 and 9 cents per share paid March 12, 1990. (b) After distribution from capital gains of $1.007 per share paid Dec. 27, 1989.

Nine Months Twelve Months

	12/31/89-9/30/90	9/30/89-9/30/90
Niagara share	- 7.7 pct. (a)	- 6.1 pct. (b)
Standard & Poor's 500	-13.4 pct.	-12.3 pct.
Dow Jones Industrials	-10.9 pct.	- 8.9 pct.

(a) Adjusted for reinvestment of distribution from capital gains of 9 cents per share paid March 12, 1990. (b) Adjusted for reinvestment of distributions from capital gains of $1.007 per share paid Dec. 27, 1989 and 9 cents per share paid March 12, 1990.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - DATAPHAZ Inc.(NASDAQ:DPHZ), the Phoenix-based ComputerLand franchisee and reseller of microcomputer hardware, software, service and support in Phoenix, Tucson and Denver, Thursday announced its marketing direction for the 1990s.

In addition to the Solution Centers, the company has established a Local Area Network (LAN) Training Center in Phoenix which features state-of-the-art LAN training. This training center will be duplicated in Denver and Tucson by year end.

The Advanced Systems Group (ASG), formed in July 1989, as a multi-vendor systems integration organization, provides systems analysis, design, installation, training and support of LANs and wide area networks (WANs) and is the cornerstone of this new marketing focus.

ASG's expertise is in integrating multi-vendor platforms, such as IBM, Compaq, Apple, and Sun Microsystems, with most network operating systems software such as Novell, IBM OS/2 LAN Server, 3COM, SCO Xenix/Unix and Banyan Vines.

The March issue of LAN Magazine rated DATAPHAZ 9th in the nation for most LAN installations, 10th in the nation for IBM OS/2 LAN installations and 15th in the nation for total revenues generated by LAN installations. Competition in these rankings included all national resellers.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Datatronix Financial Services (OTC) Thursday announced third-quarter 1990 earnings of $38,000, or 11 cents per

share, compared with earnings of $70,000, or 19 cents per share, in the third quarter of last year.

Total revenues for the quarter were $2.24 million compared with $1.68 million reported in the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $218,000, or 61 cents per share, compared with earnings of $237,000, or 66 cents per share, for the first nine months of 1989.

Year-to-date revenues were $6.10 million compared with revenues of $4.80 million in the first nine months of 1989.

Michael Trefero, president of Datatronix, said: ''We are investing a portion of our current earnings to achieve maximum growth. Our third-quarter revenue increase of 34 percent and our nine-month revenue increase of 27 percent demonstrate that the rapid expansion of our business base is going according to plan.''

Trefero said the company will continue to make investments that fulfill Datatronix's growth strategy.

''At the same time,'' Trefero said, ''we expect to remain profitable and will continue to do so. Earnings in the quarter were somewhat lower than last year due to expenses associated with bringing on-line the new business we acquired from Data Line Service Co. as well as the preliminary expenses required to open our Northern California office.

''These expenses were necessary to bring our revenues and eventually our profitability to a much higher level.''

Trefero said the company's three centers in San Diego, Costa Mesa and Glendale are now processing more than 10 million items every month.

Datatronix Financial Services is an item-processing company serving financial institutions throughout Southern California. With headquarters in San Diego, Datatronix operates check-processing facilities in San Diego, Costa Mesa and Glendale.

The company's Northern California office in San Leandro will open Dec. 1. Initially, that office will provide check-clearing services to 80 credit unions that are currently being served by San Francisco- based Bank of the West. The multiyear Bank of the West contract was awarded to Datatronix in September.

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OREM, UTAH (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Henry G. Kohlman has been named to the post of vice president and chief counsel at Sanyo Icon. The announcement was made in Orem Thursday by John R. Bonne, the company's president.

''Mr. Kohlman has had a distinguished career in many high-technology legal areas including corporate, intellectual property and international law,'' Bonne said. ''He will report directly to me and will be based in our Irvine, Calif. office.''

Prior to joining Sanyo Icon in September, Kohlman spent four years as a corporate vice president and general counsel at Cipher Data Products Inc., in San Diego. He was also a director of Optimen, a Cipher subsidiary.

From 1977 to 1986, he was associated with McDonnell Douglas Corp. working as a patent counsel for two years until, in 1979, he became chief counsel for their subsidiary, Microdata Corp. Kohlman was later named to the post of chief counsel of the McDonnell Douglas Information Systems Group, which included the Computer Systems Co., Tymnet and other subsidiaries.

Kohlman was also in private practice for three years, operating his own law firm in San Mateo, Calif. In addition to law, he is a graduate electrical engineer and worked in the Research and Development department of Lockheed Missile & Space Co. and as a computer consultant at Lockheed and Varian Associates, where he was engaged in training and development cost analysis.

Sanyo Icon is an acknowledged leader in the development and manufacture of LAN server products and multi-function, multi-user networkable computer systems with a microprocessor design that enables simultaneous use of PICK, UNIX and MS DOS operating systems. The company is a subsidiary of Sanyo Electric Co. which has annual revenues of more than $10 billion.

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DENVER (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - United Banks of Colorado Inc. (NASDAQ:UBKS) Thursday reported net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $13.6 million, or 83 cents per share.

Those earnings reduced the company's net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30 to $71.5 million, or $4.76 per share.

N. Berne Hart, chairman and chief executive officer of United Banks, said, ''Our performance in the third quarter is a direct benefit of the actions

taken in the second quarter. As we indicated then, the special provision and OREO write-downs we took would strengthen our balance sheet and allow a return to a more normal provision and greater profitability from ongoing operations.

''However, the fragile Colorado economy, particularly in the real estate industry, remains our primary concern. The impact on our business was a slight reduction in assets, loans and deposits from the second quarter of this year; assets and deposits, however, were higher than a year ago.

''The Persian Gulf crisis and resultant higher energy costs do not bode well for the economic growth outlook in Colorado in the months to come.''

''An area of continuing concern,'' Hart added, ''is our non-performing assets. They were $156.4 million as of Sept. 30, down considerably from the level of a year ago but up almost $12 million from June 30, 1990.

At the end of the third quarter, United Banks' capital ratios remained strong. The ratio of primary capital to assets was 7.64 percent and the ratio of total capital to assets was 8.27 percent.

United Banks' total assets on Sept. 30, 1990, were $6.1 billion with total loans of $3.1 billion and total deposits of $5.1 billion. In 1989, United Banks reported net income of $5.3 million, or 31 cents a share, for the third quarter and $13.8 million, or 79 cents per share, for the nine months.

A year ago, the company had assets of $5.7 billion, loans of $3.2 billion and deposits of $4.6 billion.

United Banks of Colorado Inc. serves more than 500,000 customers across the state through its 40 banks and other affiliates engaged in data processing, finance, insurance, mortgage banking, trust and securities brokerage.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Santa Anita Realty Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:SAR) announced Thursday that it has purchased, for a total consideration of $7.05 million, a 70 percent ownership interest in four industrial projects in the greater Seattle area, adding to the company's real estate holdings in this expanding market.

The interest in the properties was purchased from Liberty Sammis Seattle, the general managing partner of which is The Sammis Co., a real estate development company with headquarters in Irvine, Calif.

Liberty Sammis Seattle retains a 30 percent interest in the property income, after certain return requirements are met and will provide day-to-day property management. The properties comprise a total of 10.32 acres. Three are located near the Seattle-Tacoma Airport and one is in the South Park area.

Royce B. McKinley, chairman and chief executive officer of Santa Anita Realty, stated: ''The Seattle area is a prime real estate market with significant opportunities for economic growth. These industrial properties offer easy access to the Seattle-Tacoma Airport and the Port of Seattle and have remained at 90 percent occupancy levels for the past several years.''

The Santa Anita Cos. comprise Santa Anita Realty Enterprises Inc. and Santa Anita Operating Co. The shares of the two Santa Anita companies trade on a ''paired'' basis on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ''SAR.''

Santa Anita Realty Enterprises, one of the nation's leading real estate investment trusts, owns the Santa Anita race track property, a 50 percent interest in the operation of Santa Anita Fashion Park and a 32.5 percent interest in Towson Town Center (major regional shopping centers), a number of neighborhood shopping centers and interests in an industrial park, three apartment projects and three office buildings.

Santa Anita Operating Co. conducts thoroughbred horse racing at Santa Anita Park through its subsidiary, the Los Angeles Turf Club Inc.

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DAYTON, OH (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Super Food Services Inc. (NYSE) one of the country's largest publicly owned voluntary food wholesalers, today reported an increase in sales and earnings for the fiscal year ended Aug. 25, 1990.

The company's fiscal 1990 sales reached a new record high of $1,776,740,000, a 5 percent increase over the $1,691,577,000 record performance last year.

Net income for fiscal 1990 was $17,182,000, or $1.60 per common share, an 8 percent increase over net earnings of $15,935,000, or $1.47 per common share, in fiscal 1989. Net income as a percentage to sales increased to .97 percent in fiscal 1990 from .94 percent in fiscal 1989.

Dividend action on the common shares outstanding was taken by the board of directors on Oct. 18, 1990, who declared a quarterly dividend of 8.5 cents per share, or 34 cents per share annually, payable Dec. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on November 15, 1990. This will increase the dividend rate by approximately 6.3 percent and the 10th consecutive year in which the dividend increased.

Super Foods Wholesales a complete line of food and non-food products to over 900 supermarkets in Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Michigan and Florida.

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL SUMMARY
Super Food Services Inc. and Subsidiaries
For the Fiscal Years Ended
Aug. 25, 1990, Aug. 26, 1989, and Aug. 27, 1988
(Amounts in thousands except per share amounts)

	1990	1989	1988
Sales and other income	1,776,740	1,691,577	1,573,142
Income before income taxes	28,108	25,785	23,616
Net income	17,182	15,935	14,533
Cost of sales excluding LIFO provision	1,703,867	1,622,524	1,508,700
LIFO provision	2,025	2,330	1,942
Total cost of sales	1,705,892	1,624,854	1,510,642
Dividends on preferred sales	39	43	50
Net income applicable to common shares	17,143	15,892	14,483
Weighted average no. of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	10,741	10,794	10,744
Earnings per common share	1.60	1.47	1.35
Cash dividends per common share	32 cents	29 cents	25 cents

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PALO ALTO, CA (JULY 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Varian Associates, Inc., today announced that Vice Chairman Thomas D. Sege, 64, and Senior Vice President John J. Cooper, 65, have resigned their positions and entered the company's retirement transition program.

Both executives will continue to maintain offices at Varian's corporate headquarters here and will provide counsel to Chairman and Chief Executive J. Tracy O'Rourke in their respective areas of expertise. Sege and Cooper remain active members of Varian's board of directors.

Sege was the company's chief executive from 1981 to last February when that

title passed to O'Rourke, who joined Varian from Rockwell International. Cooper served as Varian's general counsel from 1968 until early this year, when that role was assumed by Associate General Counsel Joseph B. Phair.

Varian is a diversified, international, high technology company with sales in excess of $1 billion annually. Headquartered in Palo Alto, it produces components for medical, communications, scientific, industrial, and defense markets worldwide.

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WOBURN, MA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Alpha Industries Inc. (AMEX:AHA) Thursday reported improved results for the second quarter of FY'91.

Alpha earned $0.06 per share on earnings of $428 thousand for the second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company earned $211 thousand or $0.03 per share for the comparable period of the prior year; however, a fourth quarter restructuring provision resulted in a FY'90 loss.

The microwave technology and manufacturing company reported sales for the quarter totaled $14.9 million while sales of $16.7 million were recorded for the comparable period last year. $19.4 million of new orders were received during the quarter and backlogs stood at $37.1 million, essentially unchanged from a year ago.

Commenting on the results, Alpha President M. J. Reid said, ''Defense business was below year ago levels although the decrease was offset in part by the continued growth in commercial volume which now represents a majority of company sales.

''Regarding commercial business, the ever growing markets for cellular telephone and personal telephone networks (PCN) fit very nicely with Alpha's microwave ceramic, microwave integrated circuit, and discrete device product businesses and I see continuing opportunities for Alpha in this sector, both domestic and international.''

Reid noted that,''The decisive actions to restructure the company's cost base together with productivity improvements in the semiconductor and ceramics businesses were the reasons for the improved profitability.

''I expect that cost performance and sales advances will push continued earnings advances in the third quarter and for the full year.''

Alpha is a leading supplier of microwave semiconductor, ceramic, and ferrite

devices, microwave and millimeter wave components, and multifunction subsystems that are sold to manufacturers of sophisticated electronic systems.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Oglebay Norton's third-quarter net income was $3,755,000 or $1.47 per share on sales and revenues of $59,347,000 as compared to net income of $1,459,000 or 55 cents per share on sales and revenues of $52,210,000 for the like period in 1989.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $3,431,000 or $1.34 per share on sales and revenues of $134,051,000 as compared to net income of $2,917,000 or $1.13 per share on sales and revenues of $126,209,000 for the like period in 1989.

The comparative unaudited results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, and for the year to date are set forth on the attachment hereto.

Demand for our products and services has strengthened over 1989 levels. All operating segments, with the exception of iron ore, have achieved an increase in profit for the first nine months of 1990 as compared to the like period of 1989.

Although pricing remains very competitive, demand for the Company's Great Lakes vessel transportation services has increased over 1989 levels and remains strong. As previously reported, the Company has agreed, subject to obtaining satisfactory financing, to purchase two Great Lakes self-unloading vessels from Bethlehem Steel Corp.

The purchase of these vessels, expected to be completed before year-end, will make Oglebay Norton's combined Columbia Transportation Division and Pringle Transit Co. operations the largest U.S.-flag bulk carrier on the Great Lakes.

The Company's coal and industrial minerals segments continue to perform at levels above 1989. Acquisition of the operating assets of a Texas silica producer earlier this year expanded fracsand sales and provided entry into the foundry sand market.

Profit from the Company's manufacturing segment increased significantly over the prior year as a result of improved product mix and cost-reduction efforts.

The Company continues to pursue iron ore sales but does not expect to equal 1989 levels. In its other business segments, the Company anticipates that the improved demand in the third quarter of 1990 will continue through the balance

of the year.

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PLEASANTON, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Mission-Valley Bancorp (NASDAQ/NMS:MVBC), holding company for Commercial Bank of Fremont, The Bank of Pleasanton, The Bank of San Ramon Valley, Lamorinda National Bank, The Bank of Milpitas, N.A. and Concord Commercial Bank, Thursday announced its third quarter financial results.

Mission-Valley Bancorp had net income of $1,206,000, or 34 cents per share, for the third quarter, compared to $1,143,000, or 32 cents per share, for the like period last year. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $3,566,000, or $1.00 per share, an increase of 11 percent over the first nine months of 1989 net income of $3,266,000, or 95 cents per share.

Total assets reached $402 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $336 million at Sept. 30, 1989, net increase of 20 percent. Total loans at Sept. 30, 1990 were $300 million and total deposits were $362 million.

The quality of the loan portfolio continues to be excellent with only .27 percent of total loans rated as non-performing at Sept. 30, 1990.

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - URCARCO Inc. (NASDAQ:CARS) announced Thursday record earnings for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the first quarter was $6.7 million, an increase of 172 percent over last year's first quarter net income of $2.5 million, according to Clifton H. Morris Jr., chairman and chief executive officer. Earnings per share were 21 cents, as compared with 15 cents, for the same period last year. This was an increase of 40 percent.

Sales for the quarter, as reported recently, were $52.8 million, up 111 percent from last year's first quarter sales of $25 million.

''We were particularly pleased with record results for the quarter, as well as the opening of our first retail lot in the San Antonio market,'' said Morris. Also during the quarter the company signed lease agreements for two additional

lots, both of which opened on October 15, 1990. This brings to 20 the number of URCARCO retail lots now in operation.

Morris also noted that at the end of the quarter, URCARCO's cash balances exceeded $45 million, and the company had $45 million of unused borrowing capacity under its bank line of credit.

URCARCO Inc. operates a chain of 20 used car retail lots in Fort Worth, Dallas, Austin, Houston and San Antonio, Texas, selling quality used passenger cars and light trucks and typically financing customer purchases.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Peter Baram, chairman and chief executive officer of Xytronyx Inc. (ASE:XYX), a San Diego-based biotechnology company, Thursday announced that the PerioGard Periodontal Tissue Monitor Kit was shown at the 1990 Federation Dentaire Internationale meeting by Colgate-Palmolive Co.

This meeting, which was held during September in Singapore, is one of the largest annual international dental products shows.

As announced earlier, Colgate-Palmolive Co. has paid $2 million under the option agreement for the worldwide marketing and distribution rights for the kit.

Also, during the fourth meeting of the International Academy of Periodontology held in Istanbul during September, a Colgate-Palmolive- sponsored symposium was given on a clinical study and a multicenter clinical study supporting the kit during the symposium ''Recent Advances in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Periodontal Diseases.''

Date were presented by Dr. Roy Page, professor and director of Research Center in Oral Biology, University of Washington School of Dentistry, and Dr. N. Ingvar Magnusson, associate professor, department of oral biology at the University of Florida College of Dentistry. The data supported the efficacy of the kit's use as an adjunct in the diagnosis of periodontal disease and in the monitoring of treatment efficacy.

Xytronyx Inc. is engaged in the development and commercialization of products based on biotechnological research primarily in the areas of medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - La Petite Academy Inc. announced Thursday that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase by the company of up to 1 million shares of its common stock in the open market over the next 12-month period.

The company currently has approximately 15.9 million shares of common stock outstanding.

Robert F. Brozman, chairman of the board and chief executive officer stated, ''The decision to authorize repurchases of La Petite common stock arises from the company's belief that, at the current market prices, La Petite common stock is a sound financial investment for the company.''

Common stock repurchased under the program will be held in the company's treasury and will be available for use in connection with business acquisitions by the company, in connection with the company's employee benefit programs or for other general purposes.

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DALLAS (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Central and South West Corp. (NYSE: CSR) declared Thursday a regular quarterly dividend of 69 cents per share on the corporation's common stock.

The dividend is payable Nov. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 8, 1990.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Mesa Royalty Trust (NYSE:MTR) announced the trust income distribution for the month of Oct. 1990.

Unitholders of record on Oct. 31, 1990 will receive a distribution amounting to $342,437.61 or $.183752 per unit payable on Jan. 31, 1990.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Mesa Offshore Turst (NYSE:MOS) announced the trust income distribution for the month of October 1990.

Unitholders of record on Oct. 31, 1990, will receive a distribution amounting to $427,906.46 or $.005945 per unit payable on Jan. 31, 1991.

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REDWOOD SHORES, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Oracle Corporation, the world's largest supplier of database software and services, today announced a new version of ORACLE for Wang VS, the first family of SQL database products to bring client-server computing to users of Wang VS systems and personal computers on Banyan VINES local area networks (LANs).

ORACLE for Wang VS is being demonstrated today in Boston at Technetron '90, the largest gathering of Wang users in the world.

ORACLE for Wang VS is an open, integrated family of software for Wang VS systems based on the ORACLE relational database management system (RBDMS). This release of ORACLE for Wang VS features an open server version of the ORACLE RDBMS that transforms Wang networks from simple file and print workgroups to true client- server and multi-server computing environments.

ORACLE for Wang VS also provides client-server computing through support for Wang's OPEN/server computing environment. Now with Oracle's SQL Net7/8 VINES, users running client applications on PCs in a Banyan LAN can directly access the ORACLE database on a Wang computer through Wang's OPEN/server. As a result, the Wang system can now serve as a multi-function server, providing an integrated, departmental hub for both terminal and PC-based computing.

Oracle Corporation, headquartered in Redwood Shores, is the largest supplier of RDBMS software and the third largest software and services company in the world.

Oracle develops and markets an integrated line of software products for database management, applications development, decision support and office automation, as well as a complete family of financial application packages.

All Oracle products are available on PCs, minicomputers and mainframes, and ORACLE is the first and only database to run on supercomputers.

The company offers its products, along with related consulting, education and support services in 92 countries around the world. Oracle is a publicly held corporation whose shares are traded on NASDAQ/NMS with the ticker symbol ORCL.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Litton has been selected by Westinghouse Electric to provide inertial measurement units for a radar application on the U.S. Navy's new A-12 Advanced Tactical Aircraft program.

Under the multimillion-dollar contract, Litton's Guidance & Control Systems division, Woodland Hills, Calif., will modify its current LR-85 production unit to provide motion compensation and precise angle references for an aircraft radar. The Litton unit will be reduced 30 percent in size and weight for the A-12 application.

Litton also is developing an integrated inertial navigation system and an electronic surveillance measures set for the A-12 Avenger program under earlier awards from prime contractors McDonnell Douglas and General Dynamics.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - KLA Instruments Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:KLAC) reported financial results for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reported sales of $37,716,000, net income of $371,000, and earnings per share of 2 cents for the current perod compared to sales of $43,166,000, net income of $2,554,000, and earnings per share of 14 cents for the comparable prior year's first fiscal quarter.

As the company announced in a press release on Oct. 2, 1990, the most recent quarter's results were adversely impacted by capital investment delays on the part of U.S. semiconductor manufacturers which, in turn, are largely due to escalating fears of a slow down in the domestic economy.

In the first fiscal quarter, the company continued to spend in excess of 20 percent on research and development. The company expects this spending to result in several new major products this fiscal year. On Oct. 10, 1990, the company announced the KLA 2110 series, its second generation wafer inspection system. Earlier in 1990 the company announced the KLA 1200 series, its second generation of automatic prober systems.

The company also announed that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 2,000,000 shares of KLA common stock from time-to-time. The company intends to repurchase up to 400,000 shares for employee stock programs.

KLA Instruments Corp. is a leading innovator of industrial image automation systems.

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DENVER (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - On Sept. 14, 1990, COM-TEK Resources Inc. and Crescent Oil & Gas entered into a merger agreement whereby, subject to shareholder approval, Crescent shall be merged with a wholly owned subsidiary of COM-TEK.

Upon execution of the merger agreement, COM-TEK and Crescent effected a share exchange whereby COM-TEK received 58,749,092 shares of Crescent common stock (51 percent of Crescent's issued and outstanding common stock) in exchange for 5,600,000 shares of COM-TEK common stock (13 percent of COM-TEK's issued and outstanding common stock).

The acquisition of a controlling interest in Crescent is the initial step in the acquisition of Crescent by COM-TEK pursuant to the proposed merger.

Under the terms of the proposed merger, each issued and outstanding share of Crescent common stock, other than shares of Crescent common stock held by

COM-TEK, will be converted into 0.19 shares of COM-TEK common stock, resulting upon completion of the proposed merger, in the issuance of a total of approximately 10,687,672 shares of COM-TEK common stock which will represent 23 percent of COM-TEK's issued and outstanding common stock.

The proposed merger will be submitted to a vote of Crescent's shareholders and is expected to be completed in January 1991.

The merger, when completed, will result in an enlarged company with positive cash flow from its current operations, virtually no debt, and substantial economies of scale at an administrative level.

Two Crescent directors will join the merged company: Alan R. Ramer, president of Crescent, who is a geologist with 23 years of oil and gas industry experience, will continue as president of Crescent after its acquisition by COM-TEK. Ronald L. Grooms, who is a financial services industry executive with 20 years of accounting and financial management experience, will become a director of COM-TEK. Grooms is a senior executive with Financial Programs Inc. a subsidiary of INVESCO MIM PLC.

Crescent's major asset consists of proved reserves of approximately 5 billion cubic feet (BCF) of gas, and over 8,000 undeveloped net acres of land holdings in Montana. It is anticipated that these will provide the company with the opportunity to participate in numerous development wells.

Significant shut-in reserves, owned by Crescent and waiting on pipeline, together with the development wells mentioned above add an additional two BCF of probable reserves to those of Crescent.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - McClatchy Newspapers Inc. (NYSE:MNI) Thursday reported third-quarter earnings of $7.5 million, or 26 cents per share, compared with $8.8 million, or 31 cents per share, in the 1989 quarter.

Earnings for the nine months were $17.7 million, or 62 cents per share, vs. $23.6 million, or 83 cents, last year.

The downturn in earnings for 1990 had been anticipated by the company as it began recognizing costs related to recent newspaper acquisitions and start-up losses from a newsprint mill partnership. Excluding these items, earnings for the quarter were slightly above the comparable quarter in 1989 at 32 cents and were 81 cents for the nine months.

Led by the Sacramento and Modesto Bee newspapers, total revenues grew 12.8 percent in the third quarter to $107 million. Advertising revenues were up 13.2 percent and circulation revenues 12 percent over the prior year. Excluding the newly acquired newspapers, total revenues were $102.8 million, an 8.3 percent gain over the 1989 quarter.

Total revenues for the nine months were $309.7 million, up 11 percent. Advertising revenues were $246.1 million and circulation revenues were $52.6 million. Excluding the new newspapers, total revenues increased 6.5 percent to $297.4 million.

Operating income grew 9.6 percent to $15.1 million for the three months. Operating income for the nine months was up 1.4 percent and cash flow generated from operations continued to outpace the previous year.

Commenting on third-quarter earnings, Erwin Potts, chief executive officer said: ''While earnings have been reduced by a generally poor retail advertising environment and costs of strategic investments, we are pleased with the growth in operating income.

''Even with higher depreciation and amortization because of the new newspapers operating income improved substantially in the quarter and

was up for the nine months.

''Retail advertising continues to be soft but August and September showed strong gains in classified linage. Excluding our new operations, classified linage grew 6.6 percent over the 1989 quarter, offsetting the retail decline.''

With headquarters in Sacramento, McClatchy Newspapers Inc. publishes 11 daily newspapers and eight non-daily newspapers located principally in Western coastal states and South Carolina. It also publishes a group of senior citizen tabloids in the West.

Six newspapers located in South Carolina were acquired on Jan. 1, 1990, and include The Herald in Rock Hill, The Island Packet on Hilton Head Island and The Beaufort Gazette in Beaufort. McClatchy is also one of six partners in a newsprint mill in Usk, Wash., which began operating in December 1989 and is expected to incur losses in the first of several years of operation.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Firstar Corp. Thursday announced third quarter earnings of $25.2 million, or $1.04 per common share, up from $22.2

million, or 95 cents per common share a year earlier.

This represented a 9 percent increase in earnings per share. For the quarter, return on equity was 16.34 percent and return on assets was 1.15 percent.

Total earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $72.8 million, or $3.08 per share, up 12 percent from $2.76 per share last year. For the first nine months, return on equity was 16.61 percent and return on assets was 1.15 percent.

''Firstar continues to benefit from a Midwest economy that is more stable than many other regions of the country, and from steps taken by our banks over the past two years to improve credit quality and operating efficiency,'' said Firstar Chairman John H. Hendee, Jr.

Growth in commercial and consumer loans contributed to a total asset level of $8.9 billion at the end of the third quarter. Total assets were up 4 percent for the quarter and 11 percent over a year earlier. Commercial loans were 5 percent higher than a year ago and consumer loans were up 17 percent.

Nonperforming assets increased slightly during the third quarter from $97.3 million to $98.6 million. However, because of loan growth, nonperforming assets as a percent of loans and ORE declined from 1.77 percent on June 30 to 1.72 percent on Sept. 30. Reserves for loan losses were strengthened from 1.84 percent of outstanding loans on June 30 to 1.88 percent on Sept. 30. This improved the coverage of nonperforming assets from 103 percent on June 30 to 108 percent on Sept. 30.

Total deposits were $7.1 billion for the quarter, up 9 percent from a year earlier. Shareholders' equity was up 14 percent from third quarter 1989 and stood at $645 million. Capital ratios remained strong with primary capital, expressed as a percentage of total assets, at 8.40 percent.

The board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 33 cents per common share and $2.06875 per preferred share. The dividends are payable November 15 to shareholders of record Oct. 29.

Firstar Corp. is headquartered in Milwaukee. It has 41 banks with 135 offices in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, Florida and Arizona. Subsidiaries include companies providing trust, insurance, securities, brokerage and other financial services.

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TULSA, OK (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - ONEOK Inc. (NYSE/MSE:OKE), a Tulsa-based energy company, today reported earnings of $1.21 per share of common stock for the 1990 fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990. This compared with $1.29 per share for the previous year.

Consolidated net income for ONEOK Inc. was $33.0 million in 1990, vs. $36.6 million in 1989. Total operating revenues were $668.0 million and $618.3 million, respectively, for the same periods.

J. D. Scott, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said the Oklahoma Natural Gas utility division net income was $35.8 million for 1990, compared with $37.4 million in 1989. The decrease was due to warmer weather and increased operating expenses.

Weather in the utility service territory was 3.7 percent warmer than last year and 6.8 percent warmer than normal.

Scott said net utility division revenues (revenues less gas purchase costs) increased during 1990 to $219 million, compared with $214 million in 1989, reflecting more than 13,500 additional customers. Total utility volumes of gas sold or delivered under the company's various special marketing plans in 1990 increased to 240.1 billion cubic feet from 227.8 billion cubic feet in the previous year.

The non-utility Energy Companies of ONEOK division incurred a loss of $1.4 million in 1990 compared with net income of $400,000 in 1989. Increased gas liquids product prices were offset by continued depressed prices for oil and gas and increased costs in oil and gas exploration activities.

Scott said during 1990 the company embarked upon a more aggressive exploration strategy requiring the pursuit of higher risk prospects with greater reserve potential.

He also said that reserve additions were 131 percent of production with proved reserves of 46.8 billion cubic feet of natural gas and 1.1 million barrels of oil at year end. The 1990 exploration activities have provided development opportunities for 1991.

Scott also said that take-or-pay problems continue to be manageable and the amount of pending and potential claims continues to decrease.

ONEOK Inc. is a diversified energy company engaged in natural gas transmission and distribution, oil and gas exploration and production, contract well drilling, and natural gas processing.

The company's stock is traded on the New York and Midwest Stock Exchanges under the trading symbol of OKE. ONEOK has outstanding 26.6 million shares of common stock, which reflects a 2-for-1 stock split that was effective this

fiscal year. All applicable 1989 per share amounts have been restated to reflect the split.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Eaton Corp. (NYSE:ETN) Thursday announced that for the third quarter of 1990, net income was $35.8 million, or $1.01 per share, on sales of $869 million. This compares with 1989 third quarter earnings of $40.0 million, or $1.04 per share, on sales of $864 million.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $143.1 million, or $3.99 per share, on sales of $2.764 billion. This compares with 1989 nine month earnings of $170.6 million, or $4.54 per share, on sales of $2.791 billion.

James R. Stover, Eaton Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, said, ''With weaker markets, our respectable performance during the quarter resulted directly from steadfast control of costs and inventories at every Eaton facility.

Continuing an effort to improve plant productivity and to bring productive capacity in line with requirements, Eaton provided $24 million, before income tax credits of $9 million, for the estimated costs of closing several manufacturing plants. The provision, before income taxes, reduced operating profit of the Vehicle Components segment by $10 million and reduced operating profit of the Electrical and Electronic Controls segment by $14 million. The company estimates that by 1992, the plant closings will result in cost savings of approximately $15 million annually.

Also during the quarter, Eaton's pension fund purchased annuities from New York Life Insurance for several groups of retirees from facilities which are no longer in operation, thus settling the pension obligations for those retirees.

This settlement allowed Eaton to recognize a gain of $26 million, before income taxes of $9 million. The gain represents a portion of the appreciation in asset value experienced by Eaton's pension funds. No cash was recovered by Eaton from the pension fund. The gain nonetheless increased operating profit of the Vehicle Components segment by $11 million, the Electrical and Electronic Controls segment by $10 million, and decreased general corporate expenses by $5 million.

The company purchased approximately a million common shares in the open market during the third quarter as part of a $500 million share repurchase program

begun in 1987. As of the end of the quarter, the company had 34.7 million shares outstanding.

With 42,000 employees in 20 countries, Eaton Corporation is a manufacturer of highly engineered products serving automotive, industrial, commercial and defense markets. Principal products include truck transmissions and axles, engine components, electrical equipment and controls.

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DALLAS (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Central and South West Corp. (NYSE:CSR) said Thursday that attorney Frederic L. Frawley has been named corporate secretary.

Frawley, 48, succeeds Philip I. McConnell, who took early retirement at age 55 in September. Ferd. C. Meyer, CSW senior vice president and general counsel, acted as corporate secretary in the interim. Frawley will also serve as secretary to Central and South West Services Inc. and CSW's four other Dallas-based subsidiaries.

Frawley joined Central and South West legal staff in 1979. Previously, he was executive assistant and attorney at Arkansas-Missouri Power Co. in Blytheville Ark. He also has been assistant attorney general for the state of Arkansas and was an attorney at the interstate Commerce Commission in Washington D.C. He is a member of the State Bar of Texas and the Dallas Bar Association.

He holds a bachelor of arts degree in premedical science from Holy Cross College in Worcester, Mass., and a law degree from Suffolk University Law School in Boston.

Central and South West Corp., a Dallas-based public utility holding company, owns four electric operating subsidiaries that serve customers in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas.

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DAYTON, OHIO (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The Standard Register Co. Thursday announced results for the third quarter 1990.

In his letter to shareholders, John K. Darragh, president and chief executive officer, reported third quarter total revenue of $174,898,000 compared with

$174,111,000 for the like period of 1989. Net income for third quarter 1990 was $5,582,000 or 19 cents per share compared to $7,489,000 or 25 cents per share in 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, total revenue was $527,826,000 compared with $521,761,000 for the like period of 1989. Net income for the nine months of 1990 was $23,937,000 or 81 cents per share; for the like period in 1989, net income was $25,528,000 or 86 cents per share.

Darragh provided an update on management actions announced in two separate previous press releases:

First, a Sept. 5, news release announced that Standard Register may purchase up to $10 million dollars of the company's common stock on the open market or in previously negotiated transactions. According to Darragh, to date the company has purchased, in the open market, 586,500 common shares of the company.

In a separate news release of Sept. 17, Darragh announced several actions to be taken in response to continued weakness in demand and pricing in Standard Register markets. The announced actions include a major cost reduction program which would entail a reduction in employment and the closing of several manufacturing facilities. Darragh also said Standard Register's net income for the third quarter and the year would be below results reported in 1989.

Darragh said as of this reporting date, ''No improvement in the general economy nor the competitive environment within our industry is visible in the short term.'' Therefore, management is undertaking the implementation of the program and anticipates disclosure of the program in summary form by December 1990.

The board of directors, on Oct. 18, declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of fourteen cents per share to be paid Nov. 30, to shareholders of record Nov. 16, and also increased the authority to purchase the company's common stock up to $20 million dollars.

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DENVER (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Public Service Co. of Colorado Thursday reported net income of $34.3 million, or 58 cents per share, on revenues of $347.3 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the same period in 1989 was $23.5 million, or 39 cents per

share, on revenues of $383 million.

''The increase in 1990 third quarter earnings, compared to the same period last year, is primarily attributable to a tax adjustment associated with the early cessation of operations at the Fort St. Vrain Nuclear Power Plant, which negatively impacted 1989 third quarter earnings by approximately 14 cents per share,'' said Richard C. Kelly, Public Service Co. senior vice president of finance and chief financial officer.

''In addition, current period earnings were positively impacted by a rate adjustment effective May 1990,'' Kelly said. The company has committed to file a rate cast by Jan. 31, 1991.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Public Service Co. reported net income of $106.7 million, or $1.82 per share, on revenues of $1.2 billion. For the same period in 1989, net income also was $106.7 million, or $1.85 per share, on revenues of $1.3 billion.

Net income for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $148.9 million, or $2.56 per share, on revenues of $1.6 billion. This compares to net income of $157.1 million, or $2.75 per share, on revenues of $1.7 billion for the same 12-month period a year ago. Earnings for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989, included a one-time revision in the company's deferred tax liability resulting in a positive 32 cents per share adjustment.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Inc. (NASDAQ:SUNW) Thursday announced that A. Michael Spence has been appointed to its board of directors.

Spence is the dean of the Graduate School of Business at Stanford University.

Prior to joining Stanford in July 1990, Spence served as dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences at Harvard, where he was chartered with overseeing Havard College, the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences and the Division of Continuing Education.

He served as professor of economics and business administration at Havard from 1977 to 1990, and served as chairman of the Economics Deparment and George Gund Professor of Economics and Business Administration from 1983 to 1984. Spence was awarded the John Kenneth Galbraith Prize for excellence in teaching and the John Bates Clark medal for a ''significant contribution to economic thought and knowledge'' while at Stanford.

Spence also serves as a member of the board of Polaroid Corp., BankAmerica Corp. and Bank of America NT and SA. In additon, he was a member of the board of trustees of the Joint Council on Economic Education and a member of the American Economic Association.

In addition to Spence, Sun's board of directors includes: Scott G. McNealy -- chairman of the board, president and chief

executive officer, Sun Microsystems Inc. L. John Doerr -- general partner, Kleiner, Perkins, Caufield & Byers William Randolph Hearst III -- editor and publisher, San Francisco

Examiner Robert L. Long -- senior vice president and director, corporate

planning, Eastman Kodak Co. M. Kenneth Oshman -- president and chief executive officer, Echelon
Systems Corp.

Sun Microsystems Inc., with headquarters in Mountain View, is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of San Francisco Co. (ASE:BOF) reported record net income of $2,358,000, or 96 cents per share, for the first nine months of 1990 versus $1,830,000 or 77 cents per share, for the first nine months of 1989.

This represents a 29 percent and 25 percent increase in net income and income per share, respectively. Net interest income for the first nine months of 1990 was $14,244,000, an increase of 26 percent over the $11,279,000 for the first nine months of 1989. Non interest income for the first nine months of 1990 increased 5 percent to $3,945,000.

For the third quarter of 1990, net income was $760,000, or 29 cents per share, versus $751,000, or 32 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989, representing a 1 percent increase in net income and a 9 percent decline in income per share, respectively.

The decline in income per share is the result of the successful offering in

July of 427,221 additional shares of common stock. Net interest income for the quarter was $4,605,000, an increase of 11 percent over the $4,164,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Non interest income declined 9 percent to $1,284,000 from $1,407,000 reported in the third quarter of 1989 due primarily to gains on the sale of real estate realized during the third quarter of 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the company's total assets were $353,526,000, up 14 percent from the $311,221,000 reported at Sept 30, 1989. Total deposits were $321,840,000, an increase of 12 percent from a year earlier. Net loans increased 14 percent over the prior year to $257,285,000.

At the end of the third quarter, the allowance for possible loan losses was $4,882,000 representing 1.86 percent of total loans compared to 1.63 percent at the end of the third quarter of 1989.

Stockholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990 was $25,592,000 or $9.47 per share. The company has significantly strengthened its primary capital, which consists of stockholders' equity and the allowance for possible loan losses, resulting in a primary capital ratio of 8.5 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, versus 7.5 percent at the end of the third quarter 1989.

''Our successful common stock offering and our continued strong earnings have strengthened our overall capital base,'' commented Donald R. Stephens, chairman of the board of chief executive officer.

''Our strong capital position has enabled us to move ahead with our plans for a Sacramento regional office. We are extremely pleased to announce the hiring of Thayer T. Prentice, vice chairman, and William J. Martin, executive vice president, to begin our efforts in Sacramento.''

Bank of San Francisco Co. is the parent company of Bank of San Francisco. The eleven year old financial services company provides a broad array of credit and investment services to professionals, successful business people, and affluent individuals and to their enterprizes throughout the San Francisco Bay Area.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - California Microwave Inc. (OTC:CMIC) reported a 7 percent increase in net income to $1.5 million, or 18 cents a share, on a 14 percent increase in sales to $35.7 million for the first quarter of its fiscal year 1991, ended Sept. 30, 1990.

New orders booked were up 42 percent to $53.5 million, and backlog was $129.4

million, compared with the record $131.8 million reported at the end of last year's first quarter. Approximately 95 percent of the company's current backlog is expected to be delivered within the next 12 months, up from 90 percent at this time last year.

Orders for satellite communications earth stations and equipment accounted for approximately three-fourths of the company's total first-quarter bookings amount. A majority of the orders in the satellite area were for export.

Significant orders reported during the quarter included a $12.6 million satellite communications network for Thailand; a $4.4 million satellite earth station for Spain for television coverage of the 1992 World's Fair; and a $2.9 million satellite earth station for Romania, one of the first Eastern Bloc countries to be admitted to the European regional satellite consortium, EUTELSAT.

A $17.8 million Army contract awarded to Califoria Microwave in August 1990 for the Grisly Hunter system is not included in California Microwave's bookings and backlog amounts. The contract is contingent upon reprogramming of funds, and will be included in the company's bookings and backlog only if the contract is funded.

Last year, California Microwave reported first-quarter net income of $1.4 million, or 17 cents a share, on sales of $31.3 million. New orders booked in last year's first quarter totaled $37.7 million.

California Microwave is a leading supplier of satellite communications earth stations and equipment.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Amoco Corp. (AN) Thursday reported estimated consolidated earnings of $381 million for the third quarter of 1990, excluding a gain of $149 million from the sale of refining and marketing operations in the United Kingdom.

In the third quarter of 1989, Amoco earned $436 million before special charges of $100 million for environmental and work force reduction programs.

When special factors are included, 1990 third quarter earnings were $530 million or $1.04 per share, compared with $336 million or $.65 per share for the 1989 period. Revenues for this period were $7.9 billion, an increase of 20 percent over the $6.6 billion reported for the comparable 1989 period.

For the first nine months of 1990, earnings were $1,375 million, up 7 percent compared with $1,291 million for the first nine months of 1989. Year-to-year comparisons are affected by various special factors including the U.K. sale, and the previously reported Iran settlement and environmental accruals. Without special factors, year-to-date earnings were 17 percent below the 1989 level.

On a per share basis, earnings amounted to $2.70 in 1990 versus $2.50 for the first nine months of 1989. Year-to-date revenues were $22.4 billion, 13 percent higher than the 1989 level of $19.9 billion.

For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, return on average shareholders' equity was 12.2 percent while return on average capital employed was 10.3 percent. For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989, return on average shareholders' equity was 12.4 percent and return on average capital employed was 10.5 percent.

Worldwide capital and exploration expenditures in the first nine months of 1990 totaled approximately $2.4 billion. For the first nine months of 1989, spending totaled $2.2 billion.

Worldwide refining, marketing, and transportation activities earned $113 million for the third quarter of 1990, excluding a gain of $133 million from the sale of refining and marketing operations in the United Kingdom. In the third quarter of 1989, refining, marketing, and transportation activities earned $214 million before a special charge of $80 million for environmental programs. The decline reflected lower refined product margins, resulting from underrecovery of higher crude oil costs.

Chemical operations reported third quarter net income of $33 million, down from last year's level of $120 million. The decline reflected lower margins for commodity chemicals, due to both lower prices and higher feedstock costs.

Domestic exploration and production operations earned $194 million in the third quarter of 1990, up from the $104 million earned in the corresponding 1989 period. The increase primarily reflected higher crude oil prices and lower exploration expenses. Partly offsetting were reduced natural gas prices and lower crude oil production.

Foreign exploration and production earnings in the current quarter amounted to $76 million, compared with the $12 million earned in the third quarter of 1989. Higher crude oil prices and a $16 million gain associated with the sale of operations in the United Kingdom more than offset higher exploration expenses and unfavorable currency effects. Also, 1989 results included a special charge for work force reduction programs.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Health Care Property Investors Inc. (NYSE:HCP) Thursday reported that its board of directors increased the company's quarterly cash dividend by $0.0125 to $0.7775 per share.

The dividend will be paid on Nov. 20, 1990, to the shareholders of record as of the close of business on Nov. 2, 1990. As a result of the increase, the annualized rate of distribution is $3.11 per share. This is the 20th consecutive quarterly increase in the payment of dividends since the company's inception in 1985.

Kenneth B. Roath, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, reported that cash flows from operating activities amounted to $10,009,000, or 87 cents per share, of common stock. The per-share amount represents a new record high cash flow for the company. Total dividends paid for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to 83.7 percent of cash flows.

Health Care Property Investors is a self-administered equity-oriented real estate investment trust which invests in health care-related facilities, including long-term care facilities, acute care, rehabilitation and psychiatric hospitals, substance-abuse recovery centers, congregate care and assisted-living facilities and medical office buildings.

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POULSBO, WASH. (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Pope Resources, a Delaware limited partnership, Thursday reported net income of $1,298,000, or $1.10 per ownership unit, on revenues of $7,128,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 1990.

This compares to a net loss of $710,000, or 60 cents per ownership unit, for the same period in 1989 on revenues of $3,468,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net income totaled $4,048,000, or $3.44 per ownership unit, on revenues of $20,953,000. Revenues from the corresponding period for 1989 were $15,290,000 with net income of $3,175,000, or $2.70 per ownership unit.

''Our third quarter results reflect the coupling of increased logging activity at slightly higher sales prices with positive market response to our Port Ludlow residential development effort,'' said George Folquet, president and

chief executive officer. ''These two segments outperformed the standard they set in the prior year and therefore account for the company's improved quarter-to-quarter results.''

Pope Resources is a master limited partnership and owns 72,000 acres of timberland and development property in the Puget Sound area of Washington.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. (SFR) reported a third quarter net income of $5 million, or 8 cents per share, compared with net income of $8.7 million, or 16 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

While operating income for the quarter was $17.1 million, $3.7 million higher than the period last year, pre-tax and net income were both adversely impacted by a $7.6 million increase in interest expense.

The third quarter of 1990 included the widest swing in oil prices of any calendar quarter in recent times. Actual prices received by SFR for its crude oil mix ranged from an average of $11.55 per barrel in July to $26.06 in September.

To guard against the adverse economics associated with prices like those received in July, SFR took steps in August to ensure minimum acceptable cash flows by initiating a hedging program. As a result, the average price realized by SFR for its crude oil during the quarter, after the effect of hedging, was $17.46 per barrel, compared with $14.14 per barrel in the third quarter of last year.

Natural gas prices, however, decreased during the period, averaging $1.42 per thousand cubic feet, compared with $1.61 in the third quarter of 1989.

Total revenues for the quarter (net of $3.2 million in hedging costs) were $98.3 million, $20 million higher than during the same period last year.

Third quarter oil and gas production were both higher in 1990 averaging 51,800 barrels of oil and 102.1 million cubic feet of gas per day, compared with 51,100 barrels of oil and 71.1 million cubic feet of gas per day last year.

Operating expenses during the quarter were $81.2 million, compared with $64.9 million in the third quarter of 1989, due to higher costs associated with increased production, higher fuel costs, increased exploration activities and the higher DD&A costs associated with greater gas production. A $7.6 million

increase in interest expense for the quarter is attributable to financing under the senior notes which were placed in April 1990.

Cash provided by operating activities during the quarter was $37.5 million compared with $52.6 in the 1989 period which included $17 million of favorable working capital changes attributable to the timing of receipts and payments. A cash dividend of 4 cents per share was paid on July 16, 1990.

Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. is a large independent oil and gas exploration and production company with headquarters in Houston. Its stock is traded on the NYSE under the symbol SFR.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Pinnacle West Capital Corp. (NASDAQ:PNW) income from continuing operations for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $55.5 million, or 64 cents per share of common stock, compared to $67.3 million, or 78 cents per share, for the same period in 1989, Chairman Richard Snell said Thursday.

Snell said net income for the quarter declined because of a $26 million increase in interest on long-term debt between 1989 and 1990. Approximately half of the interest expense stems from the $450 million capital infusion into MeraBank last March while most of the balance is for interest on real estate construction projects which had been capitalized in 1989, but charged to operating expenses in 1990.

APS earnings for the quarter were approximately $76 million compared with $86.3 million during the same period in 1989. SunCor Development Co. recorded a loss in the quarter of approximately $2.5 million and El Dorado lost approximately $300,000. During he third quarter of 1989, SunCor lost $13.8 million and El Dorado lost $6.8 million.

Snell said APS third quarter earnings were impacted by a $13 million pre-tax expense for severance benefits and other costs resulting from the company's cost-containment and workforce reduction program.

Higher property taxes as well as the loss of revenues from the expired sales agreement between APS and Southern California Edison also affected earnings, but were offset by the performance of the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, he said.

''Although our interest expenses have increased, our operating income has remained stable,'' Snell said. ''Our third quarter 1990 operating income was

nearly identical to the third quarter in 1989 and that's a positive sign.''

He said that because of the cost of APS reorganization, its contribution to 1990 operating income was $12 million less than in 1989. However, that was offset by an improvement in the results at SunCor, Pinnacle West's real estate subsidiary.

''Our goal is to improve operating results and other indicators of financial health over time, with a view to increasing shareholder value,'' Snell said. ''As we continue making progress with the seven steps of my recovery plan, we expect to see improvement in our bottom-line numbers.''

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, Pinnacle West income from continuing operations was approximately $70.7 million, or 81 cents per share, compared to $146.4 million, or $1.69 per share in 1989. Snell said that income for the nine-month period was impacted because Palo Verde was not in full operation until July.

For the 12-month period ended Sept. 30, Pinnacle West income from continuing operations was $48.8 million, or 56 cents per share, compared to $145.3 million, or $1.68 per share for the same period in 1989.

Pinnacle West is a Phoenix-based holding company with more than $7 billion in consolidated assets.

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MILPITAS, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Cirrus Logic Inc. (NASDAQ:CRUS) Thursday announced that net revenues for the second quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $34.6 million, up from $18 million for the corresponding quarter a year ago and up from the last quarter's revenues of $31 million.

Income before income taxes for the quarter was $7 million as compared to $3.9 million for the like quarter last year and $6.5 million for the previous quarter this year.

Income after income taxes for the quarter was $4.4 million, or 28 cents per share, as compared to $3.4 million, or 22 cents per share, for the like quarter last year, and $4.2 million, or 27 cents per share, for the previous quarter this year.

The provision for income taxes was 37 percent of pretax income for the quarter as compared to 15 percent for the like quarter last year because of the

complete use of operating loss carryforwards in the previous fiscal year.

''Revenues in both mass storage and graphics products were at record levels,'' stated Michael L. Hackworth, president and chief executive officer. ''Graphics revenue growth was driven by volume shipments of our liquid crystal display (LCD) VGA controller to suppliers of laptop and notebook computers.

''Mass storage revenue growth was a result of strength in our PC AT products and increased demand for our SCSI products. I'm particularly pleased with the increase in sales of our graphics products and the continued strength in our balance sheet.

''We continue to invest in our R&D efforts to develop next-generation products. During the quarter, we introduced the CL-CD24O1, a multi-protocol controller with modem control lines specifically intended for the international market.''

Cirrus Logic provides innovative VLSI products that perform complex peripheral control functions in high-performance personal computers, workstations and other office automation products. The Milpitas-based company develops advanced standard and semi-standard VLSI controllers for mass storage, graphics and data communications.

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LOUISVILLE, CO (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Storage Technology Corp. (NYSE:STK) Thursday reported a 14 percent increase in revenue and a 46 percent increase in net income excluding an extraordinary gain for its third quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, compared with the third quarter of 1989.

Revenue for the quarter totaled $265.2 million compared with $232.6 million for the same period last year.

Net income for the quarter, excluding a $3.9 million extraordinary gain resulting from the purchase of $14.3 million of convertible debentures, was $12.1 million, or 36 cents per share, compared with net income of $8.3 million or 32 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 28, 1990 the company reported revenue of $801.4 million, a 17 percent increase over revenue of $682.7 million for the comparable period last year. Net income for the nine months, including extraordinary gains and charges, totaled $35.9 million, or $1.15 per share in 1990.

This compares with net income for the first nine months of 1989, including an extraordinary gain, of $25.5 million, or 98 cents per share.

Storage Technology Corp. manufactures, markets and services, worldwide, information storage and retrieval subsystems for high-performance computers.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Kansas City Southern Industries Inc. reported a significantly higher third quarter 1990 earnings of $13.8 million, equivalent to $1.32 per share, an increase of 45 percent over the $9.6 million and 91 cents per share earned in third quarter 1989.

KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN INDUSTRIES INC.
and subsidiary companies
Consolidated condensed statements of income
(dollars in millions, except per share data)
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89 (a)	9/30/90	9/30/89 (a)
Revenues:				
Transportation	$ 85.8	$ 87.1	$ 246.8	$ 244.6
Financial Services	44.3	35.9	130.9	107.5
Real Estate	3.2	3.2	9.8	10.2
Corporate and other	2.9	2.5	8.3	15.1 (b)
Total	136.2	128.7	395.8	377.4
Costs and expenses:				
Transportation	67.0	62.5	201.2	189.6
Financial Services	35.1	32.2	103.5	90.4
Real estate	2.5	2.9	8.7	9.2
Corporate and other	3.7	7.4	9.8	14.2
Total	108.3	105.0	323.2	303.4
Operating Income:				
Transportation	18.8	24.6	45.6	55.0
Financial services	9.2	3.7	27.4	17.1
Real estate	.7	.3	1.1	1.0
Corporate and other	(.8)	(4.9)	(1.5)	.9 (b)
Total	27.9	23.7	72.6	74.0
Other interest on debt	(8.1)	(6.4)	(23.6)	(23.5)
Pretax income	19.8	17.3	49.0	50.5
Income taxes provision	(5.7)	(6.0)	(15.2)	(18.2)
After tax income	14.1	11.3	33.8	32.3
Minority intrest in consolidated earnings	(.3)	(.2)	(1.8)	(1.1)

Continuing operations income	13.8	11.1	32.0	31.2
Discontinued operations loss, net of taxes	--	(1.5)	--	(4.8)
Earnings net income	$ 13.8	$ 9.6	$ 32.0	$ 26.4
Common shares: Weighted average common shares outstanding (in thousands)	10,438	10,393	10,427	10,388
Earnings per common share:				
Continuing operations	$ 1.32	$ 1.05	$ 3.05	$ 2.98
Discontinued operations	--	(.14)	--	(.46)
Total	$ 1.32	$ .91	$ 3.05	$ 2.52

(a) Comparable 1989 periods have been restated to reflect discontinued operations

(b) Includes $6.9 million gain on partial sale of Trailer Train Investment in 1989.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Westmark International Inc. reported Thursday net income of $4.2 million or 42 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $5.9 million or 56 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989.

The results for the third quarter benefitted from a 6 percent increase in revenues and a lower effective tax rate due to the realization of a $1.1 million benefit from tax loss carryforwards in the company's foreign operations, but were adversely affected by higher R&D spending of $3.8 million and higher operating expenses.

The company's patient monitoring and ultrasound revenues in the third quarter rose by 12 percent and 1 percent, respectively. Third quarter revenues continue to be affected by lower domestic bookings than anticipated which have been restrained by a lengthening order cycle reflecting a variety of factors, including recessionary economic forces.

For the first nine months, Westmark's net income was $15.0 million, or $1.44 per share, compared with $13.4 million, or $1.30 per share in the prior year. Revenues for the first nine months totaled $362.9 million or 12 percent higher than the prior year. Patient monitoring and ultrasound revenues for the first nine months each grew by 12 percent.

In the third quarter, bookings grew at a rate greater than revenues. For the first nine months, however, bookings, while growing at a greater rate than in 1989, did not grow at the same rate as revenues, with a subsequent decline in backlog compared to a year ago. Manufacturing efficiencies enable the company to operate on a more flexible basis than in previous years, offsetting to some extent such a decline. Year to date bookings in our international businesses and for our two major product lines -- SpaceLabs' PCMS system and ATL's Ultramark 9 system -- are well ahead of 1989 levels.

Earnings for the fourth quarter are estimated in the range of 40 cents to 50 cents per share.

Westmark, with headquarters in Seattle, is a worldwide developer, manufacturer and distributor of diagnostic ultrasound systems and electronic patient monitoring and clinical information systems through its subsidiaries: Advanced Technology Laboratories Inc., in Bothell, Wash., and SpaceLabs Inc., in Redmond, Wash.

Westmark's common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol WMRK.

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DALLAS (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Sterling Software Inc. (NYSE:SSW) said it commenced Thursday its previously announced exchange offer of additional shares of its $7.20 exchangeable preferred stock and cash for up to 1,500,000 shares of the company's common stock.

Sterling said that for each share of common stock it has offered to exchange 1/8 of a share of preferred stock plus $2 cash. The closing prices of the preferred stock and common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on Oct. 17 were $44.25 and $6.75 per share, respectively. The preferred stock has cumulative annual dividends of $7.20 per share and a liquidation preference of $48 per share. Sterling has the option to exchange a 15-year 15 percent subordinated note for the preferred stock. The exchange offer will expire Nov. 15, subject to extension.

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CUPERTINO, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer Inc. reported Thursday

revenues and operating profits for the fiscal year which ended Sept. 28, 1990.

For fiscal 1990, Apple's net revenues were $5.558 billion, a 5 percent increase over the $5.284 billion recorded in fiscal 1989. Net income for the full year was $474.9 million, a 5 percent increase from the prior year. A year ago, Apple reported net income of $454.0 million, which included $48.0 million from the sale of Apple's common stock holdings of Adobe Systems Incorporated.

Earnings in fiscal 1990 were $3.77 per share. In fiscal 1989 earnings were $3.53 per share, which included $.37 per share from the sale of Adobe common stock.

Net revenues for the fourth fiscal quarter were $1.354 billion, a 2 percent decrease from the $1.384 billion reported in the fourth quarter of the prior year. Net income for the fourth quarter was $98.5 million, a 39 percent decrease from the prior year's fourth quarter. A year ago, net income was $161.1 million, which included $48.0 million from the sale of Adobe common stock.

Earnings in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were $.81 per share, a decrease of 35 percent from the $1.24 per share earned in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. In the year-ago period, earnings included $.37 per share from the sale of Adobe common stock.

International sales were 42 percent of net sales for the full year compared to 36 percent a year ago. In the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 international sales were 41 percent of net sales compared to 32 percent a year ago.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Rudolph H. Nisi M.D., chairman of the board of Medco Research Inc. (the ''company'')(NASDAQ/BoSE:MEDR/MRE.B) Thursday announced that Dr. Archie W. Prestayko, the company's executive vice president, was appointed a director to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ronald A. Fischman M.D.

In submitting his resignation Thursday, Fischman gave no reason for his decision to cease serving as an officer and director of the company.

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READING, Mass. (OCT 18) BUSINESS WIRE - MASSBANK Corp., the holding company for MASSBANK for Savings, Thursday reported consolidated net income of $65,000 or 4 cents per share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to consolidated net income of $362,000, or 13 cents per share for the like period in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported consolidated net income of $1,246,000, or 55 cents per share compared to consolidated net income of $2,393,000, or 87 cents per share for the comparable period in 1989.

The third quarter results were adversely affected by a further write-down in the valuation of the First Woburn Bancorp stock owned by the bank. The stock was written down to its book value of $4.21 per share for a total write-off of $685,000 in the third quarter. In addition the bank wrote down the valuation of a major property included in the ''Real estate acquired through foreclosure'' category by $270,000.

During the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 the company continued the repurchase of its common stock by acquiring an additional 25,000 shares, thereby increasing its Treasury stock to 1,333,449 shares. This program has helped to improve the book value of the remaining shares outstanding from $29.76 on Sept. 30, 1989 to $32.45 at Sept. 30, 1990.

As previously announced, MASSBANK Corp.,s wholly owned subsidiary, MASSBANK for Savings, extended its retail franchise during the third quarter by acquiring a branch located in Medford, which is contiguous to its market area, and approximately $23.8 million in deposits from First Mutual of Boston.

This addition has helped to increase MASSBANK for Savings' total deposits to $262.5 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, up $36.5 million from the $226 million of a year ago.

On Sept. 30, 1990 MASSBANK Corp. had total assets of $333.8 million compared to $307.5 million a year earlier.

MASSBANK also announced today that its board of directors declared its seventeenth consecutive quarterly dividend. Shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 31, 1990 will be paid 11 cents per share on Nov. 15, 1990.

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Northern Inc. (NYSE:BNI) has reported third-quarter 1990 net income of $58 million, or 75 cents per share, on 76.9 million shares.

For the like quarter in 1989, the company reported net income of $73 million, or 95 cents per share, on 76.1 million shares.

BNI operating income for the quarter was $156 million on revenues of $1.155 billion compared with $184 million on revenues of $1.15 billion in the like quarter in 1989. The ICC now requires that fees for transportation services paid to short-line railroads be offset against related revenues beginning in 1990.

Thus, third-quarter 1990 revenues have been reduced by $37 million. Revenues for 1989 have not been restated. Operating and net income are not affected by this change. Traffic volume, as measured in revenue ton miles, increased 5 percent over the prior year.

Average coal yields were lower, reflecting disproportionate volumes shipped to the company's largest customers and over longer distances. Higher fuel prices as well as additional accruals for personal injury claims increased expenses in the third quarter of 1990. Last year's third-quarter results included the benefit of a $14 million adjustment to depreciation.

For the first nine months of 1990, BNI reported net income of $192 million, or $2.49 per share, including the effect of a first- quarter extraordinary item, relating to an extinguishment of debt, with an after-tax benefit of $8 million or 10 cents per share. 1989 net income for the like period was $162 million, or $2.13 per share.

Operating income for the first nine months of 1990 was $489 million on revenues of $3.51 billion compared with $453 million on $3.43 billion for the like period in 1989. The effect of the ICC decision to offset short-line railroad payments against freight revenue was to reduce current year reported revenue by $106 million, with no impact on income.

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WHITEVILLE, NC (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - United Carolina Bancshares Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:UCAR) Thursday reported that net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 amounted to $2,001,000 compared to $6,133,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

On a per share basis, net income amounted to 14 cents during the third quarter

of 1990, compared to 44 cents in 1989, a decrease of 68.2 percent.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income totaled $13,931,000, compared to $18,337,000 in 1989. On a per share basis, net income amounted to $1 in 1990 compared to $1.32 in 1989, a decrease of 24.2 percent.

The primary cause of the decline in earnings was a large increase in the provision for credit losses, which amounted to $10.2 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and $14.4 million for the nine months then ended.

This compares to credit loss provisions of $1.5 million recorded in the third quarter of 1989 and $5.15 million for the nine-month period. Net loans and lease receivables charged-off totaled $11.77 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared to $.81 million in 1989.

For the nine months period, net charge-offs amounted to $13.40 million in 1990 vs. $2.27 million in 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, non-accrual loans and foreclosed assets amounted to 1.30 percent of loans and lease receivables, practically unchanged from the 1.28 percent at Sept. 30, 1989, but down from the 1.55 percent at the end of the second quarter of 1990.

UCB's reserve for possible credit losses amounted to $22.94 million, or 1.36 percent of loans and lease receivables outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990, vs. $21.35 million, or 1.38 percent of loans and lease receivables outstanding at Sept. 30, 1989.

Rhone Sasser, chief executive officer, emphasized that a majority of the loan losses recognized by UCB during the third quarter were attributable to previously reported non-performing loans to a real estate developer who has been engaged in a non-judicial reorganization for more than a year.

Sasser said that until very recently it appeared that a scheduled sale of several of that borrower's properties would be consummated at prices that would have resulted in losses to UCB well within the amount of specific reserves previously set aside for that purpose.

''However,'' Sasser said, ''the continuing negative trends in the real estate market and certain other factors have resulted in the borrower being unable to complete the sale.'' Sasser said UCB has significantly reduced its assessment of the realizable value of the collateral securing loans to the borrower considering current conditions, and has written the loans down to the amount it expects to collect.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA. (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The directors of Guy F. Atkinson Company of California (NASDAQ:ATKN) Thursday declared a regular cash dividend of 12 cents per share to shareholders of record on Oct. 31, 1990 payable on Nov. 19, 1990.

Guy F. Atkinson Company of California is a diversified corporation with operations that include construction, manufacturing, distribution of industrial pipe, and oil and gas exploration and development.

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SAN JOSE, Calif. (OCT 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Radius Inc. (NASDAQ, NMS:RDUS) Thursday announced record revenue of $110,601,000 and net income of $6,242,000 or 53 cents per share for its 1990 fiscal year ended Sept. 30.

For its fourth quarter, net income rose 17 percent to $2,043,000, or 16 cents per share, from $1,752,000, or 15 cents per share, a year earlier. Revenue rose 36 percent to $31,391,000 from $23,054,000. For its full fiscal year net income rose 2 percent to $6,242,000, or 53 cents per share from $6,119,000, or 56 cents per share.

Revenue rose 35 percent to $110,601,000 from $81,953,000. In August, Radius Inc. completed its initial public offering of 2 million shares of common stock.

Radius Inc. designs, manufactures and markets high performance visual computing systems that enable personal computers to perform graphics intensive applications. Radius pioneered the development of high performance visual computing systems for the Apple Macintosh and is today the leading independent supplier of high resolution display systems for the Macintosh.

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HONOLULU (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - R.J. Pfeiffer, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Alexander & Baldwin Inc. (''A&B'') (NASDAQ:ALEX) announced Thursday that A&B's net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $22,195,000, or 48 cents a share.

These results compare with $29,045,000, or 64 cents a share, for the same period a year ago. This year's third-quarter results declined because of lower property sales, higher interest expense and a higher effective tax rate.

Revenue for the quarter totaled $192,194,000, up from $185,811,000 a year ago.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $91,766,000, or $1.99 a share, on revenue of $566,353,000. These results compare with net income of $185,884,000, or $4.01 a share, on revenue of $675,024,000 during the same period last year. The 1989 nine-month results included the sale of assets of the Wailea Development Company Inc. and the sale of A&B's equity holdings in Pacific Resources Inc.

Pfeiffer said: ''The 1990 results will follow five years of consecutive earnings records and eight years of consecutive annual increases in net income. We view the interruption in our long period of sustained earnings growth as the result of non-recurring transactions. We believe that the basic strengths in our core businesses, plus benefits from current capital investments, will return us to growth in earnings.''

With headquarters in Honolulu, A&B's principal operations are in ocean transportation, agribusiness and property development and management.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The Jefferies Group Inc. (NASDAQ:JEFR) Thursday announced revenues and earnings for the third quarter of 1990.

Total revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $41,552,000, compared with $36,015,000 for the same period a year ago. Net earnings were $900,000, compared with $2,216,000 for the 1989 period. On a fully diluted basis, earnings per share were 15 cents on 6,083,000 shares vs. 34 cents on 8,088,000 shares in 1989.

Year to date, Jefferies reported total revenues $120,478,000, compared with $105,236,000 for the same period a year ago. Net earnings were $4,427,000, compared with $6,820,000 for the 1989 period. On a fully diluted basis, earnings per share were 72 cents on 6,120,000 shares vs. $1.01 on 8,224,000 shares in 1989.

Quarterly results from the firm's core business generally lagged last year. Two exceptions were the high-yield area, which was expanded in March, 1990, and POSIT, the firm's automated crossing network.

The Jefferies Group is a holding company which, through its principal subsidiary, Jefferies & Co. Inc., is one of the leading national firms in the distribution and trading of blocks of equity securities and conducts such activities primarily in the third market.

It also trades convertible bonds, high-yield bonds, corporate bonds, options, futures, international securities and conducts mergers, acquisitions and corporate finance services.

Jefferies maintains offices in Los Angeles, New York, Chicago, Dallas, Boston, Atlanta and London.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - NetLabs Inc. Wednesday announced the availability of DualManager, a SNMP/CMIP open platform software package that operates in various operating system environments. AT&T Computer Systems adopts platform

AT&T Computer Systems has adopted DualManager for its Systems Manager product operating on AT&T hardware running AT&T UNIX System V. Net labs will market DualManager on SUN, PS/2, IBM AIX, and other operating systems. DualManager supports industry standards

DualManager supports industry standards such as SNMP, CMOT and CMIP, enabling it to be used effectively in a multi-vendor network. Several vendors including AT&T have announced support for this integrated platform and have agreed to develop device-specific applications. NetLabs recently announced an agrement with NKK Corp. to resell DualManager in Japan.

NetLabs and AT&T are members of the OSI/NM Forum, an industry consortium that is facilitating the adoption of OSI standards for network management.

''This implementation offers customers considerable flexibility,'' said Carl Cirillo, director, Systems Management and Services, AT&T Computer Systems. ''The customer can manage the imbedded base of SNMP devices while evolving toward an OSI implementation with CMIP.'' Operates in various UNIX environments

The DualManager operates under several popular versions of UNIX, including UNIX System V, SunOS, and Santa Cruz Operations UNIX in its Open Desktop, and IBM's AIX. It has a graphical interface based on X Windows and supports both OPEN Look and Motif. Users can click on a network icon and then point and

click on any device in the network to review its status.

From a menu on the screen, a user can retrieve or change parameters such as routing table entries on a bridge.

While standards-based network management works well for new devices that incorporate a SNMP, CMOT or CMIP agent, older devices may not be able to support an agent. NetLabs offers generic SNMP and CMOT agents that can be tailored to specific devices, or can be used as ''proxy'' agents to manage these devices. Pricing and Availability

Single copies of the DualManager are priced at $10,000 and are available in 30 days.

NetLabs Inc., which specializes in network management, supports numerous networking industry standards including SNMP, CMOT and CMIP. Its products run under several popular versions of UNIX, including UNIX System V, SunOS, and Santa Cruz Operations UNIX in its open desktop, and IBM's AIX.

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COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Louis A. Delmonico, president and chief executive officer of PDA Engineering (NASDAQ:PDAS), announced Thursday that the board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 400,000 shares, or approximately 9 percent of the company's outstanding common stock from time to time and depending on market conditions.

According to Delmonico, ''The repurchase of PDA's shares is an appropriate step for us to take in view of the disparity between the company's performance and its current share price.''

PDA Engineering, based in Costa Mesa, specializes in analysis software, engineering services, materials engineering and training for mechanical engineers engaged in product design, analysis and manufacturing. PDA's leading MCAE software products, sold under the PATRAN brand name, provide specialty analysis capabilities for aerospace, automotive, commercial and government markets.

The company distributes its products through sales offices in 11 U.S. cities, five company-owned subsidiaries in Europe and independent distributors elsewhere.

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VENTURA, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Benton Oil & Gas Co. (OTC:BNTN) Thursday announced that it has signed a letter of intent with a major institutional lender for a $16 million credit facility in the form of senior secured notes.

The proceeds will be used to acquire producing properties and to fund capital expenditures on certain of the company's existing properties. The notes will be secured in part by a portion of the company's existing oil and gas reserves and in part by reserves acquired with funding from the facility.

Terms of the financing agreement, which are expected to be finalized within the next 30 days, generally call for the notes to be repaid over a five-year period and for interest to begin at prime plus 2.5 percent and increase over the life of the notes.

''This agreement will enable Benton to more aggressively develop its oil and gas reserves at the West Cote Blanche Bay and Pershing fields. It is our objective to bring more reserves into production quickly and take advantage of the recent price increases,'' said Alex Benton, president and chairman of the board.

''In addition, the company will be able to negotiate certain producing property acquisitions which have been under consideration. Benton has grown significantly during 1990 by means of property acquisitions, and this credit facility will permit us to continue that momentum into 1991.''

Benton also stated that: ''With the financing arrangement, Benton's current capital requirements are somewhat satisfied. With respect to funding future acquisition and development growth, the company intends to continue to evaluate and pursue all financing options open to it, including equity, debt or internally generated capital, as appropriate.

''Under current market conditions, however, the company does not consider equity financing to be an attractive alternative.''

Benton Oil and Gas, based in Ventura, is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with operations in California, Colorado, Oklahoma, Texas, Mississippi and Louisiana. Its common stock is traded OTC.

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FAIRPORT, N.Y. (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Detection Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:DETC) Thursday reported unaudited results for the second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30; and that its board of directors has authorized the company to repurchase, from time to time, up to 200,000 shares of its common stock.

Net sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30 were $7,542,000, compared to the $5,392,000 of the second quarter a year ago. Net income was $544,000 or 21 cents per share as compared to $473,000 or 17 cents per share a year ago. In the six month period ended Sept. 30, sales were $14,022,000 as compared to $10,411,000 a year ago. Net income was $997,000 or 38 cents per share as compared to $910,000 or 33 cents per share in the same period last year.

The stock authorization is separate and in addition to the 200,000 shares which the company repurchased in the past year.

Detection Systems Inc.
Financial Results

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Six Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 7,542,000	$ 5,392,000	$ 14,022,000	$ 10,411,000
Income before taxes	864,000	686,000	1,577,000	1,380,000
Provision for taxes	320,000	213,000	580,000	470,000
Net income	$ 544,000	$ 473,000	$ 997,000	$ 910,000
Earnings per share	$ 0.21	$ 0.17	$ .38	$ .33
Shares outstanding	2,359,040	2,524,057	2,359,040	2,524,057

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BELLEVUE, WASH. (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Summit Savings Association (NASDAQ:SMMT), Thursday reported that increased market penetration and strong mortgage banking operations helped push earnings higher in the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income in the first quarter increased to $262,000, or $.13 per share, compared to $60,000, or $.09 per share, for the like quarter a year ago. Per share comparisons, which are reported on a weighted average basis, are affected by the association's offering of an additional 1,380,000 shares of stock, which was completed in January 1990.

''Earnings for the quarter were positively influenced by our continuing successful mortgage banking operation as well as a higher net interest margin and resultant higher net interest income,'' said James F. Grabicki, president. Summit's net interest margin was 2.3% for the quarter compared to 1.5% one year earlier. Net interest income was $659,000 in the first quarter compared to $383,000 in the first quarter a year ago.

''We are capturing a larger share of the market for residential mortgage loans. This larger market share, together with the expected production from our recently opened Bellingham loan production office, should enable us to continue to exceed our objectives despite the anticipated moderation in the housing market," Grabicki added. Summit's loan production in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 nearly doubled to $32.1 million compared to $18.7 million in the like quarter a year ago.

Real estate owned as a result of foreclosure totaled only $191,000 at Sept. 30 1990, compared to $1,605,267 one year earlier. Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $121.2 million compared to $106.8 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

The association's net worth was $9.1 million and book value was $4.54 per share at Sept. 30, 1990.

Summit Savings Association is a Bellevue-based thrift institution emphasizing residential lending of all types and offering a wide range of financial services including money market accounts and certificates, annuities, and other investment products.

The association serves the greater Seattle metropolitan area, through its full service Bellevue office and also Whatcom County with its Bellingham loan production office.

Summit Savings Association
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(unaudited)

	First Quarter Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Net income	$ 262,000	$ 60,000
Earnings per share	$ .13	$ .09
Average fully diluted shares outstanding	2,011,324	625,974

	September 30, 1989	June 30, 1990
Total assets	$121,239,000	$113,339,000
Shareholders' equity	$ 9,128,000	$ 8,859,000
Book value per share	$ 4.54	$ 4.41
Equity capital as a percentage of assets	7.53%	7.82%

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COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Emulex Corp. (NASDAQ:EMLX), a leading supplier of system- and network-enhancement products for the computer industry, announced Thursday that net earnings for its first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Sept. 30, were $1.4 million, or 14 cents per share, a sevenfold increase from the $0.2 million, or 2 cents per share, in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

The earnings were based on net revenues of $34.1 million, a 19 percent improvement over net revenues of $28.8 million in the previous year's first quarter.

Emulex Chairman Richard B. Cox said: ''We were pleased with the increase over last year's results. Both net revenues and net earnings were dramatically better than those of the first quarter of last fiscal year and were also significantly higher than those posted in the previous quarter. The areas of our business that were particularly strong were custom contracts and micro devices.

''The higher net earnings compared with last year's first quarter were possible because of increased revenues, lower operating expenses as a percentage of sales and a lower effective tax rate.

''The cost of goods as a percentage of net revenues was relatively flat compared with last year. Higher production volume improved overhead absorption and reduced manufacturing variances by greater utilization of manufacturing capacity; however, margin gains from increased volume were offset by a less favorable product mix and more competitive pricing in several of our markets.

''The lower operating expenses as a percentage of net revenues resulted from the cost-containment measures instituted in the previous quarter. We continue to invest aggressively in new-product development, but overall are watching expenditures carefully.''

Cox discussed the outlook for the second quarter and the balance of the fiscal year. ''We do have some concern about the general business outlook for our industry, and it is hard to determine to what extent Emulex may be affected by the weak economy and what many analysts believe is a recession for the computer industry.

''On the positive side, our new products have gained market acceptance, and we will be introducing other major new products as the year progresses. In addition, total backlog, particularly in the custom and micro-devices businesses, is much higher than last year, and we have reason for some optimism that results will continue to show improvement throughout the fiscal year.

''However, in this business climate, we think it prudent to be cautious in our outlook, and that is the way we are running the business. Emulex remains in a strong financial position, and we have no concerns over being able to ride out a weak economy if that is to be the situation.

''Earlier in the week we announced that Robert N. Stephens, recently senior vice president of Western Digital Corp., has agreed to join Emulex. I am pleased to now report that before the end of this month he will assume his new duties as president and chief executive officer. We believe that Emulex will benefit from Bob's broad industry experience and leadership capabilities.''

Emulex designs, manufactures and markets high-performance storage and networking products for the digital equipment, IBM personal computer, small computer system interface and UNIX markets. Emulex's worldwide operations in nearly 100 countries serve end-user customers, dealers, distributors, OEMs, systems integrators and value-added resellers.

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WAYNESBORO, VA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - GENICOM Corp. (NASDAQ:GECM) Thursday reported revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 of $58.9 million and net income of $0.8 million, or 8 cents per share.

This compares with revenues of $60.7 million and a net loss of $2.7 million, or 25 cents per share, for the year-ago quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, revenues were $193.6 million and net income was $1.1 million, or 10 cents per share, compared to revenues of $197.7 million and a net loss of $3.6 million, or 34 cents per share, reported for the same period in 1989.

The $1.8 million decline in revenues in the current quarter, compared to the same period a year ago, was due to lower domestic revenues partially offset by higher revenues in the company's international markets where GENICOM continues to experience strong demand for its products.

As anticipated, 1990 third quarter revenues were down $8.9 million from the $67.8 million recorded in the second quarter of the year due to the financial impact of summer holidays in Europe and the annual closing of the company's Waynesboro operations for a two-week vacation period in July. These factors traditionally cause third quarter revenues to be the lowest of the year.

GENICOM's order backlog was $51.7 million at Sept. 30, compared to $52.9 million at July 1, and $64.4 million a year ago. This reduction reflects continuing improvement in meeting customer demand on a more timely basis, as well as a decline in the incoming order rate from prior year levels. Orders in the 1990 third quarter, however, were up approximately four percent from those received in the prior quarter ended July 1.

In September, the company entered into a new financing arrangement for credit facilities to replace its former revolving credit agreement. The new financing will provide funds for working capital needs on a long-term basis, flexibility to pursue growth and, as cash flow and strategic opportunities exist, periodic repurchase of the company's outstanding $76 million Senior Subordinated Notes.

In addition, the company received $1.7 million plus accrued interest, pursuant to an agreement with Ekco Group Inc. (formerly Centronics) and a customer, relating to the successful resolution of litigation brought by GENICOM to collect certain disputed receivables.

GENICOM, through its worldwide operations, designs, manufactures, markets and services a wide range of computer printers for general purpose applications as well as a line of hermetically sealed relays.

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CUPERTINO, CALIF. (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer Inc. Thursday announced that its interactive multimedia title, The Visual Almanac, will for the first time be available to the general public.

Apple has selected Optical Data Corp. of Warren, N.J., as the exclusive distributor.

Published a year ago by Apples Multimedia Lab, The Visual Almanac had been available as an award from Apple. Because of the demand from educators, developers and others, Apple is making it possible for the general public to obtain a copy for $100 to cover the costs of handling and distribution. Apple is absorbing the expense of two years of research and development to create this project.

The Visual Almanac features three segments: a collection of 7,500 moving and still images and sounds; a composition workspace for manipulating text, images and sounds, and 14 student activities in science, the arts, social studies and mathematics.

The Visual Almanac package includes a two-sided videodisc, a CD-ROM with 25 megabytes of HyperCard-based software and a guide book, called the Companion, which includes both specific information about the Almanac and more general information about interactive multimedia capabilities and uses. The Visual Almanac operates with Macintosh personal computers.

''We have already seen teachers' excitement when they start to use The Visual Almanac and discover for themselves how multimedia provides them with new flexibility in the classroom,'' said Kristina Hooper Woolsey, Ph.D., director of the Apple Multimedia Lab.

''With The Visual Almanac, teachers and students can easily browse through data, organize it to create meaningful information and communicate their discoveries in different forms, whether it's a graph, moving picture or speech by a famous person.''

To order The Visual Almanac, call Optical Datas customer support line at 800/524-2481.

Optical Data is the leading publisher, producer and distributor of educational videodiscs. The company has sold more than 200,000 education and consumer titles in the United States and Japan.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Management Technologies Corp. (''IMTECH'') 1/8NASDAQ:IMTKA (common), IMTKU (units), IMTKW (warrants)3/8 Thursday announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, IMTECH Optical Systems

has signed distribution agreements with Kaplan Associates, Inc./Computer Products Resources of Woodbridge, Connecticut and Mississippi Filing Systems of Jackson, Miss.

Pierce Lowrey, chief executive officer of IMTECH commented, ''We are pleased to announce that Kaplan Associates, Inc. and Mississippi Filing Systems have joined the growing list of dealer/distributors that offer IMTECH Optical Systems' PC-based optical data storage product, 'COINS' (Computer Output INformation System). COINS allows computer output to be stored, retrieved and viewed or printed, eliminating the need for paper copies, computer output microfilm or expensive magnetic storage. We expect these agreements to begin generating revenues in the current quarter ending December 31, 1990.''

Jack Kaplan, president of Kaplan Associates, Inc./Computer Product Resources, commented, ''We chose to become a COINS dealer because COINS offers the most advanced technology available for applications of importance to our customers. In particular, COINS indexes data on the PC hard drive, making on-line access extremely efficient and consistent. COINS also allows users to store twice the data that other optical systems can. IMTECH is a solid company, fully committed to the continuing development of optical disk technology and we feel strongly that IMTECH's COINS will emerge as a leader in this industry.''

Herman Shumaker, Sales Manager of Mississippi Filing Systems noted, ''We're convinced that COINS offers optical data storage technology far superior to any other system on the marketplace today. COINS storage/retrieval software is extremely well configured for our customers needs and offers the fastest retrieval we've seen. We are also very impressed with IMTECH's direct software support which provides on-going post-installation support to our customers.''

IMTECH provides on-site and off-site ''outsourcing'' of a wide range of back office services to companies in the services sector. These services include an optical data storage system -- Computer Output INformation System (''COINS''), electronic publishing, fulfillment, printing, reproduction and general mail room operations. IMTECH's information facilities management (''IFM'') capabilities provide companies with the ability to contract out ancillary services to reduce operating costs and improve productivity, thereby allowing management to focus on its primary corporate objectives.

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PHOENIX, AZ (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Frontier Adjusters of America Inc. (NASDAQ:FRON), one of the largest and fastest growing insurance adjusting networks in the United States, Thursday announced record results for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income advanced 41 percent to a record $268,000, or 6 cents per share, compared to net income of $190,000, or 5 cents per share, in the comparable quarter last year.

Revenue for the quarter increased 33 percent to a record $1,191,000 compared to revenue of $899,000 in the like quarter a year ago.

Gross billings, which are billings by all Frontier offices, grew 21 percent to $8.8 million for the quarter from $7.3 million in the comparable quarter last year. In addition, during the quarter Frontier added 18 new locations to its nationwide network, bringing to 420 the total number of Frontier offices in 48 states plus Canada.

Frontier Adjusters derives its revenue primarily from continuing franchise/license fees and adjusting fees from company owned locations. During the quarter continuing franchise/license fees increased 20 percent to $872,000 from $727,000.

Adjusting fees from company owned offices increased 111 percent to $287,000 from $136,000. A significant portion of this increase resulted from an unusually high incidence of storm-related insurance claims in areas where Frontier owns offices.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - SynOptics Communications Inc. (NASDAQ:SNPX), a manufacturer of integrated local area networking (LAN) products, Thursday reported revenue of $48,355,000 and net income of $8,165,000, or 41 cents per share, for its third quarter ended Sept. 28.

This quarter's results compare with revenue of $20,912,000 and net income of $2,296,000, or 15 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Revenue increased by 131 percent over the like period last year, while earnings per share increased by 173 percent. Earnings per share amounts stated above reflect a two-for-one stock split which was paid on July 20.

''During the past quarter, market demand remained strong for implementation of large, complex local area networks,'' said Andrew K. Ludwick, SynOptics' president and chief executive officer. ''With the introduction of new Token Ring, network management, internetworking, and 10BASE-T products in the quarter, we continued to broaden our LattisNet product family in keeping with our Network Utility Architecture strategy for intelligent hubs.''

SynOptics Communications Inc. designs, manufactures and markets local area networking products based on its Network Utility Architecture, a value-added systems strategy which integrates network connectivity, internetworking and network management solutions into a single networking system.

The company is headquartered at 501 E. Middlefield Road, Mountain View, Calif. 94043-4015.

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DALLAS (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Mary Kay Corp. announced Thursday that it had extended to midnight, Oct. 18 the period during which the holders of its 15 percent Discount Debentures could consent to certain proposed amendments to the terms of the Debentures and receive a cash payment of $10 per $1,000 principal amount of Debentures.

The company also extended to midnight, Oct. 18 the period during which tendered bonds would be given priority for purchase in its previously commenced tender offer for up to 64 percent of the Debentures. The tender offer remains scheduled to expire at midnight on Oct. 30.

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MONTGOMERY, ALA. (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Durr-Fillauer Medical Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:DUFM) Thursday announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 increased 14 percent to $196,576,000 from third quarter 1989 revenues of $171,985,000. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $4,372,000, an increase of 14 percent over net income of $3,846,000 earned in the year-earlier period. The per share earnings comparison for the third quarter was 43 cents vs. 38 cents, an increase of 13 percent.

For the first nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $602,342,000, up 16 percent over revenues of $517,206,000 for the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $12,071,000, an increase of 20 percent over net income of $10,080,000 earned in the similar period last year. The fully diluted earnings per share comparison was $1.19 vs. $1.04.

Commenting on the results, W.A. Williamson Jr., chairman, said: ''Figures for the third quarter were on target with our budget for the year. The Wholesale Drug Division continued to produce the strongest gains with a 17 percent increase in sales for the quarter and 23 percent. higher pre-tax income.

''The Medical-Surgical Division reported an 8 percent sales increase, but planned expense increases related to our expanding sales and marketing programs to alternate sites produced a 3 percent increase in pre-tax income. The Orthopedic Division completed the picture with a 6 percent sales increase and a 26 percent gain in income before income taxes.''

Williamson added that he expects all three divisions to continue to show progress during the fourth quarter.

Durr-Fillauer Medical Inc. distributes pharmaceuticals, drugstore sundries, medical products, veterinary supplies and orthopedic devices.
Durr-Fillauer's shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System with the Symbol DUFM.

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ASHEVILLE, NC (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Ingles Markets Inc. (NASDAQ:IMKTA) Thursday announced that its board of directors has declared a cash dividend of 5-1/2 cents per share on all its Class A common stock and 5 cents per share on all its Class B common stock.

Dividends on both the Class A and Class B common stock are payable Nov. 9, 1990, to all shareholders of record on Oct. 29, 1990.

Ingles Markets Inc. is a leading supermarket chain with operations in five southeastern states. Headquartered in Asheville, the company operates 167 supermarkets. In conjunction with its supermarket operations, the company also operates 65 neighborhood shopping centers, each of which contains an Ingles supermarket.

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GREENBELT, MD (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - COMNET CORPORATION (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: CNET) announced Thursday that its Board of Directors has elected Charles A. Crew as a Director. Mr. Crew is Executive Vice President - Chief Financial Officer of COMNET.

He was also elected by the Board of Directors of GROUP 1 SOFTWARE, an 83 percent owned COMNET subsidiary, as a Director of that Company.

Before joining COMNET CORPORATION one year ago, Mr. Crew was Executive Vice President of Penta Systems International of Baltimore, Maryland, a turnkey (software/hardware) computer system supplier, where he had both operations and financial responsibilities. He also served as a Director of that company. His business experience includes senior management positions with Alcolac, Inc., Sherman-Williams and General Instrument Corporations.

Mr. Crew has a B.S. degree in Accounting from the University of Baltimore and an MBA from Loyola College. He is also a Certified Public Accountant.

COMNET CORPORATION has three operating units in the computer software and services field:

o GROUP 1 SOFTWARE, INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: GSOF) is the leading provider of mainframe, midrange and microcomputer (PC) software to the direct marketing industry, to other volume mailers and to a broad range of organizations for general marketing application. GROUP 1 offers a broad range of list management, postal discount, mail personalization and demographic database software products. The Company has offices throughout the United States and in Canada, and is represented in the United Kingdom, Australia ad New Zealand.

o COM-MED Systems serves the nursing home industry and other areas of the long-term health care market with computerized management and operations support systems.

o AIM Division provides computer services for direct marketing clients, plus customized graphics, forms design, laser and LED printing, PARM predictive modeling and On-Demand Printing.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - BankAmerica Corporation Thursday reported third-quarter 1990 earnings of $283 million, an 11 percent increase from $254 million for the same period in 1989. Earnings per common share were $1.26 in the third quarter of 1990, up 9 percent from earnings per common share of $1.16 reported in the same period a year ago.

The recently announced acquisitions related to Merabank Federal Savings Bank in Arizona and The Benj. Franklin Federal Savings and Loan Association in Oregon, together with earlier acquisitions in Arizona, Nevada, and Washington, give BankAmerica a significant market presence in the western states.

BankAmerica, through its subsidiaries, now operates more than 1,200 branches in seven states. ''This expansion of the franchise is consistent with BankAmerica's strategic objective of becoming the dominant provider of financial services in the western United States,'' Rosenberg added.

The results for the quarter brought year-to-date earnings to $828 million, compared with $833 million for the first nine months of 1989. During the first nine months of 1989, the corporation received $105 million of Brazilian cash interest payments on medium- and long-term obligations on nonaccrual status, which contributed $85 million to net income last year. No such payments were received on these obligations in 1990.

Earnings per common share were $3.66 in the first nine months of 1990, compared with earnings per common share of $4.07 reported in the same period last year. Earnings per common share in the first nine months of 1990 were affected by a 9 percent increase in average common shares outstanding from the first nine months of 1989. Brazilian cash interest payments contributed $0.44 to the earnings per common share for the first nine months of 1989.

Taxable-equivalent net interest income was $1,055 million in the third quarter of 1990, up from $1,001 million for the same period in 1989. This increase in net interest income from the corresponding period in 1989 was primarily the result of an increase in average earning assets, partially offset by a decrease in the net interest margin. The net interest margin was 4.28 percent for the third quarter of 1990, compared with 4.52 percent for the same period a year ago.

The provision for credit losses was $260 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared with $170 million for the same period a year ago. The increase in the provision primarily related to assets attributable to restructuring countries.

Noninterest income in the third quarter of 1990 was $504 million, up $42 million from the same period in 1989, primarily due to higher foreign exchange trading profits. Fees and commissions also increased during this period, with

increased revenues from both service charges on deposit accounts and credit card fee revenue, partially offset by lower financial management fees.

Noninterest expense, which consists of personnel, occupancy, equipment, and other expense, was $963 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $921 million in the same period a year ago. Noninterest expense in the third quarter of 1990 included approximately $24 million related to the corporation's acquisitions during the past year.

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OAKLAND, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Civic BanCorp and its subsidiary, CivicBank of Commerce, reported higher growth in earnings, capital and assets for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, reflecting both increases in earnings and savings from the Meridian National Bank merger, effective Jan. 1, and the growth of the bank's market share in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

Net interest income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $4,774,000, up 74 percent from pre-merger net interest income of $2,745,000, for the like period in 1989.

Net interest income for the first nine months of 1990 was $13,434,000, up 67 percent from $8,024,000 for the like period in 1989. Net income rose 135 percent to $919,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $391,000 for the like period a year earlier.

Earnings for the third quarter 1990 were affected by stable interest rates and the Jan. 1, 1990 merger, while 1989 earnings were affected by a prime rate drop. For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income rose 82 percent to $2,312,000 over the $1,273,000 net income posted for the like period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Civic BanCorp reported earnings per share of 39 cents, an increase of 95 percent from pre-merger earnings of 20 cents for the like period in 1989.

Earnings per share were $1 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, up 49 percent compared with 67 cents a year earlier. All per-share amounts have been adjusted to reflect 5 percent stock dividends paid in 1989 and 1990.

The capital accounts of the company rose 49 percent to $28,453,000 from pre-merger capital accounts of $19,059,000, reflecting both increased earnings and the successful stock sale in the first quarter of 1990.

Total assets as of Sept. 30, 1990, increased 53 percent to $357,011,000, compared to pre-merger assets of $233,797,000 as of Sept. 30, 1989.

Total deposits as of Sept. 30, 1990 increased 56 percent to $324,768,000 from pre-merger deposits of $208,403,000 as of Sept. 30, 1989. Non-interest bearing demand deposits were $56,248,000 as of Sept. 30, 1990, up 23 percent from $45,886,000 in 1989.

Loans increased 98 percent from a pre-merger total of $135,216,000 as of Sept. 30, 1989, to $268,163,000 as of Sept. 30, 1990.

The allowance for loan losses as of Sept. 30 totaled $2,992,000 and represented 1.1 percent of loans outstanding.

CivicBank of Commerce is an independent regional bank that serves businesses with annual sales from $500,000 to $30 million, their management and professional practices from its offices in downtown Oakland, the Oakland airport area and the central business districts of Concord, Walnut Creek and San Leandro.

The bank recently received approval and is planning to open its sixth location in central Fremont by year-end.

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MOORPARK, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Tandon Corp. (NASDAQ:TCOR) Thursday reported its financial results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the quarter, revenues of the multinational personal computer company were $92,701,000, up about 11 percent from sales and other income of $83,829,000 a year ago.

Europe continued as the company's principal market, accounting for about 94 percent of quarterly revenues. S.L. Tandon, chairman, president and chief executive officer, noted that despite the traditionally slow summer period, European revenues increased by about 18 percent over last year's third quarter.

Marking its fifth consecutive quarter of sustained profitability, the company reported a 50 percent increase in quarterly net income to $3,308,000, or 5 cents per share, from $2,210,000, or 4 cents per share, last year.

''During the quarter, despite start-up costs associated with our new marketing and sales program to achieve a better position in the $30 billion United

States and Canadian PC markets, profits were up from a year ago,'' Tandon said. ''And in addition, cash and cash equivalents remained a healthy $42 million.''

Gross margins improved to approximately 32 percent of sales vs. 23 percent last year. Tandon attributed the improvement in margins to a combination of reduced materials costs and increased sales of the company's higher-end computers based on the Intel 80386 and 80486 microprocessors.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $294,606,000, a 7 percent increase over sales and other income of $274,214,000 last year.

Net income for the nine months was $16,632,000, or 25 cents per share, compared with a loss of $9,643,000, or 15 cents per share in the 1989 period.

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SANGER, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Riverbend International Corp. Thursday announced that Peter E. Weber has been elected as its chief executive officer.

Weber will replace Larry Harris, who will remain as chairman of the board of directors of the company.

''Peter Weber's broad managerial experience has been invaluable to us since he joined Riverbend in August of 1989 as president and chief operating officer and we are very pleased to now have him assume the role of chief executive officer,'' Harris said.

Prior to joining Riverbend, Weber was president and chief executive officer of Teknowledge Inc., a Palo Alto application software firm for approximately two years.

Before this, Weber spent 22 years with FMC Corp. where he had extensive experience in the food processing industry as the director of corporate research and development, Machinery and Defense Operations; the division manager, Citrus Machinery Division; and the division vice president and operations manager, Food Machinery International.

Headquartered near Fresno, Riverbend is a vertically integrated food products company that produces, handles and markets fresh fruit, processed fruit products and processed tomatoes. Riverbend markets its products directly to national and larger regional supermarket chains, distributors and bulk users through a worldwide network consisting of its own sales personnel as well as independent agents and distributors.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Automobile Protection Corporation., (NASDAQ: APCOU (Units), APCOW (Warrants), APCO (Common)) today announced that it expects to report record sales for both the fourth quarter and full year which ended August 31, 1990, and increased profitability over the comparable quarter and year ended August 31, 1989.

Larry I. Dorfman, President of APCO, estimated that revenues for the the fourth quarter of 1990 will be approximately $5,900,000, exceeding record revenues of $3,300,000 set in the same quarter of the prior year by approximately 79 percent.

Net income is expected to reach $230,000 or $.04 per share for the quarter ended August 31, 1990, as compared to a loss of $49,798 or $.01 per share in the prior year's fourth quarter.

For the year as a whole, 1990 results are projected to surpass the prior year's records by approximately 50 percent and reach $16,300,000. Net income for the year is estimated at $200,000 or $.04 per share compared to net income of $189,300 or $.04 per share in fiscal 1989.

Mr. Dorfman cautioned that these are preliminary estimates, subject to customary year-end adjustment, if any. Audited figures will be released by the end of November.

Mr. Dorfman noted, ''APCO has achieved record sales each year since inception and we are pleased to have maintained this enviable track record in fiscal 1990. The return in the fourth quarter to a higher level of profitability reflects the return on the investment the Company made over the prior twelve months in facilities, personnel, and the acquisition of subsidiaries to enhance and support our growth.

''We believe revenue and profitability growth will proceed on record pace over the coming year and beyond, as we continue to gain market share in the extended vehicle service agreement industry.''

Automobile Protection Corporation is a leading administrator and marketer of products and services to automobile dealers, distributors and leasing companies which are designed to enhance customer satisfaction, revenues and profitability.

APCO's core business is the marketing and management of extended vehicle

service agreements. APCO also develops and markets sales management software; provides on-site aftermarket consulting; and offers integrated computer information systems for overall dealership management.

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or
The Equity Group Inc., New York
Tamara Ehlin, 212/836-9607
or
Robert Goldstein, 212/371-8660

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Hasbro Inc. (ASE:HAS) announced that its board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per common share.

The dividend will be payable on Nov. 16 to shareholders of record on Nov. 2.

CONTACT: Hasbro Inc., Pawtucket, R.I.
John T. O'Neill, 401/431-8697.

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#90291b0670 10/18/1990 ~Business Wire

SANDWICH, MA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - At its October meeting, the board of directors of The Sandwich Co-operative Bank (NASDAQ:SWCB) voted to suspend the bank's quarterly cash dividend.

The cash dividend was suspended in response to the bank's reduced income levels. ''As announced previously, the board believes that given the existing real estate market and economic forecast, it is prudent to conserve capital,'' stated Frederic D. Legate, president of Sandwich Co-operative Bank.

At July 31, 1990, end of its most recent reporting period, the bank's total assets were $237.4 million and its stockholders' equity was $30.7 million, which results in a capital to assets ratio of 12.95 percent. There are 1.823 million shares of common stock outstanding.

Sandwich Co-operative Bank, with eight banking offices in Southeastern Massachusetts, has its deposits insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) and the Share Insurance Fund (SIF).

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Dana S. Briggs, 508/888-0026

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EAST HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - First Federal Savings and Loan Association of East Hartford, (NASDAQ:FFES) recorded net earnings of $400,000, or 17 cents per share, for the third qaurter ended Sept. 30.

For the same quarter in 1989, the Association reported comparable income of $395,000, or 17 cents per share. Net earnings for the nine month period ended Sept. 30 were $1,640,000, or 69 cents per share, a 45 percent increase over the $1,130,000, 48 cents per share, reported for the first nine months of 1989.

James D. Shelton, president and chief executive officer, also announced that the board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of 7 cents per share to be paid to stockholders of record as of Nov. 1, and to be distributed on Nov. 9.

Shelton stated, ''We are operating in a most fragile environment and witnessing a downturn which is affecting a great cross section of our market. Not surprisingly, we have seen an increase in non-performing loans which, as of September 30, totalled $2,631,000, or 1.07 percent of total loans. During the third quarter just ended, First Federal added $250,000 to its general loan loss reserves, bringing the total provision to $756,000.''

In a further announcement, Shelton noted that Bear Stearns & Co., retained in July as financial advisor to First Federal, is actively working with the Board seeking to enhance shareholder value through various means, including the possible sale of the institution.

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James D. Shelton, 203/289-6401

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HOUSTON (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Tuboscope Corp. (NASDAQ:TUBO) Thursday announced financial results for the three months ended Sept. 30.

The company reported net income of approximately $1.8 million, or 15 cents a share, for the third quarter of 1990, compared to a net loss of approximately $1.3 million, or 34 cents a share (after preferred stock dividends), for the third quarter of 1989. The increase in net income was primarily due to an approximate $9 million, or 36 percent, increase in revenue and a decrease in interest expense of approximately $1.3 million.

In addition, the third quarter of 1989 included preferred stock dividends of $530,000, while there were no such dividends in the third quarter of 1990.

During the third quarter of 1990, revenue increased to approximately $34.1 million, up from approximately $25.1 million in 1989. This increase in revenue was significant in each of the company's main product lines: Oilfield Services, Pipeline, and Mill Sales and Services. Oilfield Services revenue increased approximately $6.2 million, or 32 percent, due to an increase in domestic oil and gas drilling and workover activity, as the company's inspection and coating services both reflected strong increases.

Pipeline Service revenue was up approximately $1 million, or 23 percent, due primarily to an increase in foreign pipeline inspection work. Mill Sales and Services increased $1.7 million due mainly to the sale of a mill inspection unit in September.

The decrease in interest expense was a result of the retirement of the company's bank debt on March 20, with proceeds from its initial public offering. Simultaneous with this offering, all outstanding preferred stock was exchanged for common stock.

Headquartered in Houston, Tuboscope provides specialized services and products to the oil and gas industry worldwide. The company provides inspection and coating services for oil country tubular goods (drill pipe, casing, and tubing), sells tubular connections, provides in-place inspection of oil and gas pipelines, and sells and leases inspection equipment to manufacturers of tubulars. The company designs and manufactures its proprietary inspection and coating equipment and formulates and manufactures its own internal coatings.

CONTACT: Tuboscope Corp., Houston
Gilbert Y. Marchand, 713/799-5100.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - John Nuveen & Co. Inc. announced that it has filed registration statements with the Securities and Exchange Commission, for the initial public offering of common stock of the Nuveen California Investment Quality Municipal Fund Inc. and the Nuveen New York Investment Quality Municipal Fund Inc. Both funds are tax-free, closed-end investment companies.

The common stock offerings are expected to take place in November, both at a price of $15 per share. Each registration statement is for an offering of $5 million shares, plus additional shares to cover underwriters' overallotments.

Nuveen anticipates that the common stock of both funds will be listed on the New York Stock Exchange. All bonds in the New York fund's portfolio will have the timely payment of their principal and interest guaranteed by AAA rated insurers.

Alex. Brown & Sons Inc. will be the lead manager of both underwritings.

Co-managers for the California offering will include Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. John Nuveen & Co. Inc., Lehman Brothers, PaineWebber Inc., Prudential-Bache Capital Funding, Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc., Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards and Crowell, Weedon & Co.

Co-managers of the New York offering will include Prudential-Bache Capital Funding, John Nuveen & Co. Inc., Lehman Brothers, PaineWebber Inc., Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc., Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. and Gruntal & Co. Inc.

The funds will be managed by Nuveen Advisory Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Nuveen. Nuveen has sponsored more than $40 billion of tax-free trusts and funds nationwide. Founded in 1898 and headquartered in Chicago, Nuveen is the nation's oldest and largest investment banking firm specializing in the underwriting, trading and marketing of municipal bonds, and of tax-free unit trusts, mutual funds and closed-end funds.

For more complete information, including charges and expenses, investors should contact their securities representatives or John Nuveen & Co. Inc., 333 W. Wacker Dr., Chicago, Ill. 60606 for a prospectus and read it carefully before investing.

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Jeff Kratz, 312/917-7749.

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MONTGOMERY, AL (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The Enstar Group Inc. (OTC NASDAQ:ENST) Thursday announced that it has accepted the resignation for personal reasons of its Chairman, Richard J. Grassgreen, from all positions with the company and its subsidiaries, including American Savings & Loan Association of Florida.

The company named Nimrod T. Frazer, 60, the Chairman of the Frazer Lanier Co., investment bankers in Montgomery, as its chairman.

Frazer stated that the board regrets the loss of Grassgreen's leadership, but expressed confidence in the ability of the board, officers and employees of the company to manage the company effectively. In a series of moves intended to continue to trim expenses and focus the company's attention on its core retail business activities, Frazer said that the company intends to consolidate its Montgomery office in its retail division's facilities. Frazer also announced that the company would as soon as practicable close its aviation department and dispose of its airplanes, and seek to sell its Buckmaster hunting magazine operation.

The company does not expect to make further open market or negotiated purchases of its common stock in the forseeable future.

The company is aware of recent press accounts regarding the company's 1985 investments in Storer Communications and officers' investments in MacPherson Investment Partners. The company has long known of these transactions both of which were profitable to the company. The proceeds of the MacPherson investment were received by the company some time ago.

CONTACT: The Enstar Group Inc., Montgomery
Dee Russell, 205/270-7100.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Arthur Andersen & Co. S.C., Thursday announced record financial results of the Arthur Andersen Worldwide Organization.

For the year ended Aug. 31, revenues rose 23 percent to $4.16 billion from the $3.38 billion of last year.

The announcement was made at the organization's annual worldwide partners' meeting being held in San Francisco with more than 2,000 partners in attendance. In announcing the results, Lawrence A. Weinbach, managing partner-chief executive, said, ''These superior results are testimony that our global strategies are working and our clients are being well served.''

Diverse, rapidly changing business needs of its clients throughout the world are being met by Andersen's two business units, Arthur Andersen and Andersen Consulting.

Arthur Andersen, the business unit which provides audit and business advisory services, tax services and corporate specialty services, increased worldwide revenues to $2.28 billion, an 18 percent increase over last year.

''Our fully integrated global organization has a clear competitive advantage in delivering quality client service worldwide which has had a positive impact on our growth,'' said Richard L. Measelle, managing partner.

Andersen Consulting, the business unit that engages in strategic services, integration services (systems integration and systems management), information technology consulting and change management services, reported revenues of $1.88 billion, a 30 percent increase over last year.

As of August 31, there were 298 locations in 66 countries. Total worldwide personnel increased to 56,800 from 51,400 and the number of worldwide partners

increased to 2,292 from 2,134.

The Arthur Andersen Worldwide Organization has taken a number of steps to enhance global client service. During the past year the organization merged with well established firms in Sweden, Malaysia and Kuwait and combined the South Korean practice with the top firm in that country.

The Arthur Andersen Worldwide Organization is a leading global provider of professional services through its two distinct business units, Arthur Andersen and Andersen Consulting. Arthur Andersen & Co. S.C., is the coordinating entity of the Worldwide Organization.

CONTACT: Arthur Andersen & Co. S.C., Chicago
John A. Ruane, Karen E. Waters, 312/507-2195.

-30- 2572

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - William E. Maya, president and chief executive officer of The Birtcher Corp., Thursday announced substantially higher sales and earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

Net sales for the quarter, reflecting the contribution of Birtcher Electro Medical Systems Inc. (EMS) acquired from C.R. Bard Inc. in November 1989, increased 226 percent to $7,169,000 compared with sales of $2,201,000 for the like period in fiscal 1990.

Net pre-tax income advanced 69 percent to $488,000 compared with $289,000 in last year's first quarter. Reflecting the substantial reduction in net operating loss carryforward, after-tax earnings increased 18 percent to $327,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 compared with $277,000 in 1990.

Earnings per share for each quarter were 6 cents using weighted average shares outstanding of 5,220,000 for fiscal 1991 compared with 4,832,000 shares for 1990.

Maya commented: ''The strong operating results for the quarter reflect a continuation of the upward sales trend established since the acquisition of EMS in the second quarter of fiscal 1990. Birtcher benefited from continued strong demand for its hospital operating room electrosurgery equipment as well as certain other doctor's office product lines.''

These gains were achieved during the initial phases of the move to the new Irvine facility. Maya noted that the consolidation of EMS into the Irvine facility will be completed early in the first calendar quarter of 1991.

Maya continued: ''We believe that fiscal 1991 will be a year of continued growth as we capitalize on our proprietary Argon Beam technology and expand

our direct sales force.''

The Birtcher Corp., which will change its name to Birtcher Medical Systems Inc. at its shareholders' meeting on Nov. 15, designs, manufactures and markets a variety of electronic medical instruments and their related disposable supplies to the health care industry worldwide.

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or
Financial Relations Board, Sherman Oaks
William F. Coffin, 818/783-2400

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ANDOVER, MA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Vicor Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS:VICR) Thursday announced its financial results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Pretax income for the quarter increased 227 percent to $2,335,000 compared with $714,000 for the corresponding period a year ago. Earnings per share for the quarter were 15 cents compared with 6 cents last year. Revenues for the quarter increased 46 percent to $9,737,000 compared with $6,662,000 for the same period last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 pretax earnings increased by 92 percent to $5,220,000 compared to $2,719,000 in the 1989 period. Earnings per share were 35 cents compared to 20 cents per share for the same period in 1989. Revenues increased by 18 percent to $25,820,000, compared to 1989 revenues of $21,806,000.

The increase in income in the current quarter resulted primarily from improved margins on increased revenues. Higher gross margins offset spending increases associated with on-going expansion in sales and marketing, and expenses incurred in preparation for the ceased public offering of the company's common stock.

Vicor Corp. designs, manufactures and markets modular power system components and complete power systems. Headquartered in Andover, Mass., Vicor sells its products primarily to the telecommunications, EDP, industrial control and military electronics markets.

VICOR CORPORATION
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(All amounts in $000's except per share data)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989

Net Revenue	$9,737	$6,662	$25,820	$21,806
Income Before Taxes	2,335	714	5,220	2,719
Provision for Income Taxes	911	156	1,910	816
Net Income	1,424	558	3,310	1,903
Net Income Per Share	$.15	$.06	$.35	$.20
Average Shares & Equivalents	9,541	9,527	9,434	9,519

CONTACT: Vicor, Andover
Thomas A. St. Germain, 508/470-2900

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#90291b0727 10/18/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Siemens has been awarded a contract to install three new steam generators at the Doel Unit 3 nuclear power plant near Antwerp, Belgium, the company announced Thursday.

The Erlangen, Germany-based power generation group of Siemens AG in December 1989 had secured the order to supply the new stream generators. The value of the supply and installation contracts is more than DM 100 million, according to a Siemens spokesman.

Siemens expects the replacement operation to take about 56 days, beginning in mid-1993. Siemens will install the units in cooperation with Tractabel Energy Engineering S.A. and Fabricom, S.A., both of Brussels, Belgium.

The 900-megawatt power plant, owned by the Belgian utility Electrabel S.A., began operating in 1982. Corrosion of the tubing in the original steam generators prompted the utility to order new units. The new units will boost the plant's rating by nearly 10 percent.

Nuclear energy is a major source of power for Belgium, supplying nearly 61 percent of its electricity needs.

Siemens KWU is a world leader in nuclear and fossil-fueled power plant maintenance and upgrading. It is part of Siemens AG, a global electrical/electronics firm with sales of nearly $40 billion and approximately 360,000 employees.

Siemens KWU supplies power generation equipment and services through its U.S. units Siemens Power Corp., Bradenton, Fla. and Advanced Nuclear Fuels, Bellevue, Wash.

CONTACT: Siemens Corp., New York
Guy B. Pierce, 212/258-4351

-30- 1725

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WAYNE, NJ (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Camp Corp. Thursday announced earnings of 75 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990, a 32 percent decline from $1.11 per share earned in the same period last year.

Net income was $51,588,000, compared to $76,045,000 reported for the third quarter of 1989. Quarterly sales were $707,774,000, an increase of six percent over last year's $667,320,000.

For the first nine months of the year, the company earned $2.58 per share, compared to $3.45 per share in the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the first nine months was $177,425,000, compared to $237,192,000 last year. Sales for the nine months were $2,124,321,000 vs. $2,085,320,000 in the same period last year.

Union Camp Corp. (NYSE:UCC) is a leading manufacturer of paper, packaging and wood-based chemicals.

UNION CAMP CORP.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Third Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989	Percent Change
Net sales	$707,774,000	$667,320,000	6.1 pct.
Income from operations	81,423,000	123,832,000	(34.2)
Income before provision for taxes	82,879,000	118,704,000	(30.2)
Net income	51,588,000	76,045,000	(32.2)
Per share	$ .75	$ 1.11	(32.4)
Average shares outstanding	68,769,566	68,842,839	

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989	Percent Change
Net sales	$2,124,321,000	$2,085,320,000	1.9 pct.
Income from operations	283,153,000	393,793,000	(28.1)
Income before provision for taxes	284,811,000	372,593,000	(23.6)
Net income	177,425,000	237,192,000	(25.2)
Per share	$ 2.58	$ 3.45	(25.2)
Average shares outstanding	68,869,051	68,826,125	

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Timothy McKenna, 201/628-2273, 201/335-2889 (nights)
by
G.A. Kraut Co., New York
Gerard Coffey, 212/696-5600

-30- 2485

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Omnicare Inc. (NYSE: OCR) Thursday announced that for the quarter ended Sept. 30, earnings per share from continuing operations were up 33 percent, net income from continuing operations increased 13 percent, operating income was up 51 percent and sales rose 34 percent.

Earnings per share from continuing operations for the three months ended Sept. 30, were eight cents as compared with six cents earned in the like period of 1989. Net income from continuing operations totalled $657,000 vs. the $579,000 earned in the prior-year quarter.

The average number of shares outstanding for the third quarter of 1990 of 8,721,000 was four percent lower than in the prior year quarter owing to the company's stock repurchase program.

Operating income for the quarter totalled $812,000 vs. the $538,000 earned in the third quarter of 1989. Sales for the third quarter of 1990 reached $25,921,000 as compared with the $19,349,000 recorded in the like period of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, earnings per share from continuing operations of 26 cents were 37 percent higher than the 19 cents earned in the like period of 1989. Net income from continuing operations increased 23 percent to $2,240,000 from the $1,827,000 eanred in the 1989 period. The average number of shares outstanding declined by seven percent to 8,758,000.

Operating income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, reached $2,978,000 which was 23 percent higher than the $2,417,000 earned in the like period of 1989. Sales for the first nine months of 1990 grew 29 percent to $76,645,000 from the $59,427,000 recorded in the like period of 1989.

In total, including discontinued operations, net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $657,000, or eight cents per share, as compared with the total net income of $1,711,000, or 18 cents per share, earned in the comparable prior year period.

For the year-to-date, an aftertax loss of $546,000, or six cents per share, for the 1990 period compares with net income of $3,677,000, or 39 cents per share, earned in the nine months of 1989.

Omnicare Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, is a health care company with leading positions in medical and dental supplies for the private practice and alternate care markets and pharmacy management services for the long-term care market.

CONTACT: Omnicare Inc., Cincinnati, Cheryl D. Hodges, (513) 762-6967.

-30- 2625

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PASADENA, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Beverly Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:BEV), Thursday announced operating results for the third quarter of 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $540,366,000 compared to $533,722,000 reported for the third quarter of 1989. The increase in revenues was primarily due to significant Medicaid rate increases which were partially offset by the sale of the company's homes in Michigan in Dec. 1989.

Income before income taxes for the third quarter of 1990 was $8,845,000 compared to income before income taxes of $1,161,000 in the same period last year. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $5,660,000 or 8 cents per share compared to a net income of $929,000 or 1 cent per share in the same period last year. This was the company's most profitable quarter since the first quarter of 1987.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Beverly recorded revenue of $1,563,060,000 compared to $1,568,407,000 recorded in the same period last year. Income before income taxes was $15,060,000 for the first nine months of 1990, compared to a loss before income taxes of $132,964,000 for the first nine months of 1989. Included in the operating reults for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, were pre-tax restructuring charges of approximately $128,104,000. Net income was $9,638,000 or 14 cents per share for the first nine months of 1990, compared to a net loss of $106,371,000 or $2.00 per share for the first nine months 1989.

Beverly Enterprises Inc., is a long-term health care company, operating nursing facilities, pharmacies, retirement living centers, and home health centers. Its mission is to be the provider of choice in the communities where it operates, by delivering high quality health care services that meet the unique needs of each of these communities.

CONTACT: Beverly Enterprises Inc. Virginia Beach, Va.
William McBride III, 804/431-7635
or Schuyler Hollingsworth, 818/577-2912 (in Pasadena)

-30- 2189

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DE PERE, WI (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Richard C. Smits, president of De Pere Federal Savings, Thursday announced higher earnings for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income increased from $86,000 for 1989 to $586,000 for 1990 increasing book value per share to $23.86 at Sept. 30, 1990. De Pere Federal's capital to total assets ratio was 9.41 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, significantly in excess of all current regulatory capital requirements. During the period, net interest income increased 24.88 percent during 1990, from $2,166,000 in 1989 to $2,705,000 in 1990, while at the same time, other operating expenses increased only 5.63 percent from $2,184,000 to $2,307,000.

Loan loss provisions decreased from $225,000 in 1989 to $29,000 in 1990 as a result of an improvement in asset quality during 1990 as compared to 1989. Smits stated that during the 1990 period, the association's total assets increased 11.9 percent with a net increase of $6.7 million in deposits, or 8.3 percent, and a $7.2 million increase in loans receivable, or 9.39 percent.

For the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, the association has originated mortgage and consumer loans totalling $22.8 million compared to $13.5 million for the same period last year.

For the fourth quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, De Pere Federal's net income was $215,000 or Earnings Per Share of 52 cents.

De Pere Federal Savings converted to a capital stock institution on April 12, 1990 issuing 417,015 shares of common stock at $10.00 per share. The association operates from four offices in the Green Bay metropolitan area. De Pere Federal's common stock is traded over-the-counter on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System under the symbol of ''DPFS.''

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Richard C. Smits or Ronald Gloe, 414/337-2400

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TOLEDO, OH (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Dana Corp. reported that sales for the three months ending Sept. 30, 1990, were $1.2 billion, which is a 7 percent increase over the $1.1 billion reported for the same period in 1989.

Year-to-date sales of $3.8 billion outpaced the $3.7 billion for the same nine-month period in 1989.

Third quarter 1990 earnings were improved after adjusting for non-recurring items. Net income for the three months ending Sept. 30, 1990, was $16.8 million (after being reduced by $10 million, or $.24 per share, due to an increase in reserves at Diamond Financial Holdings), compared to $29.6 million in 1989 (which included a $5.6 million gain from debt restructuring at an affiliate that increased earnings by $.14 per share).

Earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 were $.41 compared to $.72 in 1989. During the third quarter, gross margins once again increased.

Dana's strong international sales, especially in the company's distribution markets, caused all target markets, except highway vehicle component sales, to exceed year-ago levels. Dana's highway vehicle sales through nine months were 5 percent below year-ago levels.

Distribution sales to the domestic mobile off-highway/industrial market for nine months were strong, while domestic sales to original equipment manufacturers were down 6 percent in mobile off-highway and 10 percent in industrial compared to the same period in 1989.

However, international sales to these same markets were up 24 and 36 percent year to date, respectively, making for positive consolidated sales gains.

CONTACT: Dana Corp., Toledo
Don Decker, 419/535-4601

-30- 1844
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TOTOWA, NJ (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - John L. Soldoveri, chairman of Great Falls Bancorp announced profits for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the 1990 quarter was $116,000 or 20 cents per share compared with $169,000 or 29 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 1990 the company earned $431,000 or 73 cents per share.

During the same period of 1989 earnings were $503,000 or 86 cents per share.

He stated, ''We are feeling the impact of the economic downturn in our market and as a result must deal with an increased amount of non-performing loans.''

George E. Irwin, president of Great Falls Bank the company's sole subsidiary, noted that the bank charged $167,000 to the allowance for loan losses during the quarter.

Of that amount, one loan represented $165,000. He indicated that while management believes that the allowance for loan losses is adequate, the bank will make substantial additional provisions during the final quarter of the year.

Total assets of the company at Sept. 30, 1990 were $55,600,000 compared with $51,962,000 on Sept. 30, 1989 an increase of 7.00 percent. Deposits grew 7.19

percent to $49,274,000 in 1990 from $45,968,000 in 1989.

CONTACT: Great Falls Bancorp, Totowa; George E. Irwin, 201/942-1111

-30- 1512
#90291b0756 10/18/1990 ~Business Wire
ATLANTA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of The Coca-Cola Company today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.20 per common share.

The dividend is payable December 15, 1990 to shareholders of record on December 1, 1990.

CONTACT: The Coca-Cola Company, Atlanta
Juan Johnson, 404/676-7675

-30- 485
#90291b0784 10/18/1990 ~Business Wire
AKRON, OHIO (OCT. 18) BUSINES WIRE - Resource America Inc. (NASDAQ:REXI) (the ''Company'') announced that its board of directors has authorized the payment on Dec. 10, of a dividend in the amount of $.025 per share to all common stockholders of the company at the close of business on Nov. 19.

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Michael L. Staines, 216/644-6626 or 215/557-8454

-30- 549
#90291b0785 10/18/1990 ~Business Wire
WORCESTER, MA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Wyman Gordon Co. Wednesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share payable Dec. 10, 1990 to stockholders of record as of the close of business Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Wyman-Gordon Co., Worcester
F. James Walnista, 508/756-5111 (business) or
203/923-2033 (home)

-30- 528
#90291b0789 10/18/1990 ~Business Wire
AUSTIN, TX (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The Continuum Co. Inc. (AMEX:CNU) announced that for the quarter ended Sept. 30 net income was $1,966,000 or 22 cents per share compared to net income of $634,000 or 7 cents per share for the same quarter last year.

Per share amounts reflect the 2-for-1 stock split which was declared on May 17.

For the six months ended Sept. 30 revenues were $45,021,000 compared to $36,648,000 for the comparable period last year. Net income for the six months was $3,451,000 or 39 cents per share compared to $337,000 or 4 cents per share.

Revenues for the most recent quarter increased 21 percent from $19,339,000 to $23,447,000 compared to last year, due to increased service revenues of $3,314,000 and increased license revenues of $794,000 which included license revenues from three parties to a law suit which has now been settled.

While service revenues grew compared to last year, service expenses other than marketing and administration grew approximately $2,509,000 resulting in an increased contribution of $805,000 or 24 percent of the revenue increase.

Marketing and administration expense decreased approximately $775,000 primarily due to the absence of legal expenses which were significant during the first half of last year.

For the most recent quarter compared with the quarter ended June 30 net income increased approximately $500,000 resulting from increased license revenues. Service revenues increased approximately $700,000, which was offset by increased expenses.

Continuum increased its computer capacity with an upgrade to an IBM 3090-500J in late May 1990. Compensation expense increased with total personnel increasing from 836 to 861 during the quarter.

On Oct. 17 Continuum acquired Computations Holdings Ltd. of Sydney, Australia, for approximately 1,750,000 common shares of Continuum. The acquisition has been accounted for as a purchase, and accordingly, the operating results of Computations will be reflected in the consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition.

The Continuum Co. is an international consulting and computer services firm based in Austin, Texas, serving the needs of life insurance and other financial services companies for computer software and services.

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MURRAY HILL, NJ (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - C.R. Bard, Inc. (NYSE-BCR) reported that a Food and Drug Administration advisory panel Thursday recommended that Contigen(TM) Bard(R) Collagen Implant, a new treatment for urinary incontinence, be cleared for marketing.

The treatment, which consists of an injection of a bovine collagen material, can be done in an outpatient setting after appropriate diagnostic evaluation.

The Contigen material is used to add bulk in the area of the sphincter muscle to assist in bladder control problems which can result from childbirth, prostate surgery or aging.

Bard's clinical investigators believe its implant offers advantages over other approaches.

The data reviewed today indicated that over 90 percent of incontinent patients followed for one year after receiving Contigen treatments showed improvement. A significant percentage of them gained total control.

The Contigen Implant is manufactured by Collagen Corporation and marketed exclusively by C. R. Bard, Inc. It will be marketed in the U.S. by the Bard Urological Division based in Covington, Ga. Final FDA clearance is still needed before this product can be marketed in the U.S.

Collagen Corporation, based in Palo Alto, Calif., develops, manufactures and markets biomedical implants for the augmentation and repair of aged or damaged tissues, and specialized catheter systems for the treatment of neurovascular disorders.

C. R. Bard, Inc., headquartered in Murray Hill, N.J., is a leading multinational developer, manufacturer and marketer of health care products.

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WALTHAM, MA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - MediTrust (NYSE:MT) announced Thursday a 27 percent increase in cash flow from operating activities, a 21 percent increase in revenues and a 35 percent increase in net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to the third quarter of 1989.

Cash flow from operating activities, the basis on which dividends are determined, was $11,206,000, or 60 cents per share (based on 18,721,859 shares) for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 vs. $8,810,000, or 56 cents per share (based on 15,720,859 shares) for the comparable period in 1989.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $23,566,000, up from $19,401,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $7,350,000, or 39 cents per share vs. $5,435,000, or 35 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989. These increases were primarily the

result of construction and development projects which have been successfully converted to permanent mortgages and leases. Also contributing to the increases was additional rent and interest income derived from the growth in facility revenues.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company's cash flow from operating activities was $33,123,000 vs. $25,397,000 for the same period a year earlier, an increase of over 30 percent. Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $65,060,000 versus $51,869,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income increased to $21,293,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 versus $15,935,000 for the same period in 1989.

Meditrust, with headquarters in Waltham, Mass., is the nation's largest Health Care Real Estate Investment Trust, holding investments in 108 health care facilities with 18 different operators in 25 states totaling over $750 million of investments. The company specializes in the sub-acute sector of the Health Care industry, including investments in rehabilitation hospitals, long-term care facilities, alcohol and substance abuse treatment centers, psychiatric hospitals and retirement living communities. A.M.A. Advisory Corp., a Delaware Corporation is engaged as the Advisor to Meditrust.

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ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - American Speedy Printing Centers (ASPC) has announced the introduction of Design Express, an automated desktop publishing system, according to William J. Culp, president of Anaheim-based Kaiser International, master franchisor for ASPC.

Developed by Image Express of Orange, Design Express includes one of the largest electronic illustration libraries in the world. The illustrations serve as templates for customers' layouts, which are then altered to fit their design criteria.

''This is an intelligent, interactive, computerized design system which drastically changes the way American Speedy Printing Center customers design printed materials,'' said Glen Cruzen of Image Express. ''With this system, we generate finished artwork for stationery, business forms, flyers, brochures and newsletters in a matter of minutes,'' he said.

With Design Express, customers select designs and layouts from a catalog, then modify those designs to their individual specifications. Photos, text, illustrations and borders can be positioned, added or moved according to the customers' needs and the camera-ready artwork is then printed out on a laser printer or electronic typesetter.

In designing business cards, newsletters, brochures and other promotional materials, graphic designers use fairly consistent layouts. About 20 percent of the work involves customizing basic layouts to meet the individual needs of each customer. This is known as the 80/20 rule in graphic design.

However, much of the expense in design work is in re-creating the 80 percent of the layout as original artwork for each customer.

With Image Express, the 80 percent of the design work is already in the computer and the 20 percent is created by the graphic artist with the customers' input. In a relatively short period of time, the customer receives a printout of the finished artwork for approval.

Under terms of an agreement signed with Image Express, American Speedy Printing Centers throughout the United States have begun introducing this service in centers which are equipped with desktop publishing systems.

The agreement also gives Kaiser International exclusive distribution rights for Design Express in the Pacific Rim countries, where Kaiser has begun establishing American Speedy Printing Centers in Japan, Korea, Taiwan, India, Hong Kong and Singapore.

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WALTHAM, MA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Edsun Laboratories Inc., Thursday announced details of a second round of financing totaling $5.8 million.

The funds will be used to launch graphics enhancement ICs for IBM-compatible personal computers, and to continue development of follow-on products. These Visual Performance semiconductor products are the first to use Edsun's patented Continuous Edge Graphics technology, which is gaining rapid, wide-spread acceptance in the computer industry.

Several blue-chip venture companies have joined the Edsun investment group, as well as a leading multinational corporation. Investors include ABS Ventures, Baltimore, Md.; Asset Management 1989, L.P., Palo Alto, Calif.; Ssangyong Cement (Singapore), Ltd.; and private investor Jack Carsten, a former vice president of Intel Corp.

First round investors, Aegis Venture Fund, Lexington, Mass., and Hambro

International Venture Fund, New York City have augmented their support and reinvested in Edsun. Weitek Corp., Sunnyvale, Calif., a leading manufacturer of ICs for mathematically-intensive operations, purchased an option to license Continuous Edge Graphics (CEG) technology for use in vertical market product development. A lease line for capital equipment acquisition has been extended to Edsun by Western Technology, San Jose, Calif.

Edsun has applied CEG technology in a family of video RAM/DAC ICs, called CEG/DACs, that are used in VGA graphics boards and IBM-compatible personal computers to improve overall screen display. First announced in August, 1990, Edsun's CEG/DACs enable board and system producers to offer significantly enhanced resolution and color display capabilities to users at low cost.

Production quantities of CEG/DACs are slated for delivery in early 1991. Several OEM customers are planning to join Edsun at the COMDEX trade show in November to announce their affiliations with Edsun and support of CEG.

Edsun Laboratories Inc. is a privately-held company headquartered in Waltham, Mass., that specializes in the development of graphics enhancement integrated circuits for IBM-compatible personal computers. Edsun products are used by OEMs and system manufacturers, worldwide.

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LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - First Fidelity Bancorporation (NYSE:FFB) Thursday reported third quarter 1990 earnings of $70.1 million, or $1.11 per share, on a fully diluted basis, its best quarterly earnings in two years.

For the third quarter of 1989, earnings were $54.4 million, or 86 cents per share.

First Fidelity's 1990 third quarter was characterized by strong core earnings, resulting from stable net interest income and significantly reduced operating expenses, as well as special gains, including the settlement of pension obligations. These special gains were offset in part by the level of the credit loss provision.

The third quarter results take into account the substantial completion of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency's asset quality examination. In addition and at its discretion, First Fidelity decided to add approximately

$60 million of exposure to the performing non-performing category. Non-performing loans totaled $724.2 million in the quarter, essentially flat compared to the second quarter's total of $731.9 million. Non-performing assets rose $64.9 million in the quarter to $904.7 million.

Tony Terracciano, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''We believe third quarter earnings represent the anticipated start of a return by First Fidelity to a more normal level of profitability. We remain very concerned about the weakening economy and what its impact could be on asset quality, but the quarter's performance clearly indicates that our productivity programs, initiated in the first quarter, are working. Our quarterly operating expenses declined year over year by $30.2 million or 12.7 percent.''

In the third quarter, First Fidelity completed a series of important transactions.

First Fidelity entered into an agreement with EDS, a leading information technology company, to integrate and manage First Fidelity's data center operations. Under the agreement, EDS, within the next 18 months, will convert First Fidelity's numerous applications systems into a unified company-wide platform that will support common products across the bank.

The banking company purchased from the Resolution Trust Corp. nine branch offices of City Savings Bank, FSB, formerly City Federal Savings Bank, in Camden, Burlington and Gloucester counties with $468 million in deposits. The offices strategically enhance First Fidelity's market presence in Philadelphia's South Jersey suburbs, particularly in heavily-populated Camden County.

First Fidelity completed the sale of Latimer & Buck Inc., a commercial mortgage banking subsidiary. Negotiations are continuing for the sale of Fidelcor Business Credit Corp., an asset-based lending subsidiary headquartered in New York. Net Interest Income

In the third quarter, tax equivalent net interest income increased $4 million to $264.3 million over last year's third quarter. Higher levels of earning assets and wider spreads between the prime rate and the average cost of deposits were partially offset by higher levels of non-performing assets and a runoff in municipal bonds.

Average earning assets in the third quarter were $27.3 billion, up $1.6 billion from the prior year's third quarter. Increases in the securities portfolio and steady growth in consumer loans were partially offset by a decline in the level of commercial lending, reflecting a pattern of continuing soft commercial loan demand.

Core deposits (i.e. demand and consumer deposits) grew approximately 11.4 percent, in part because of a successful systemwide promotion campaign and the

recent purchase of the City Savings Bank branches and deposits. For the quarter, core deposits represented more than 111.2 percent of average loans and more than 76.6 percent of average earning assets, compared to 100.7 percent and 73.1 percent respectively, in the third quarter of 1989.

Non-Interest Income

Non-interest income in the third quarter was $118.7 million, up from $113.9 million earned in the third quarter of 1989. Included in both quarters were gains from the settlement of certain pension obligations of $28.9 million in 1990 and $29.8 million in 1989.

Higher revenue from the personal trust business resulted in a 16.4 percent increase in trust income to $21.6 million. Service charges,

commissions and fees were flat. Other income totaled $13.3 million and included gains from the sales of lease residuals and of Latimer & Buck Inc. The trading account recorded a small loss.

Non-Interest Expense

For the third quarter, non-interest expense declined $30.2 million or 12.7 percent to $207.9 million from the 1989 period, despite an increase in other real estate owned (OREO) related expenses of $5.6 million.

All other expense categories reflected significant declines except occupancy expense which was slightly higher. Salaries and benefits expense dropped 18.7 percent to $100 million. Equipment expense was $13.5 million, down 17 percent. Other expenses, excluding OREO expenses, declined 14.9 percent.

Third quarter core non-interest expenses, excluding OREO expenses, of $201 million compared to the fourth quarter 1989 core expense rate of $236.5 million, which indicates the company remains slightly ahead of its schedule to reduce core operating expenses in 1990 by $95 million, or approximately $115 million on an annualized basis. Asset Quality Non-performing loans totaled $724.2 million at the end of the quarter, compared to $731.9 million at June 30, 1990. Additions to non-performing status during the quarter included one credit in which the borrower filed for bankruptcy in September and approximately $60 million of exposure which was fully performing on Sept. 30, 1990, but was reclassified by management.

These were offset by approximately $50 million in commercial charge-offs, the improvement and return of several performing non-performing loans to full accrual status, and the transfer of one large credit to the OREO account after its reclassification as an ''in-substance foreclosure.'' The provision to the reserve for possible credit losses was $70 million for the quarter raising the reserve to $548.5 million on Sept. 30, 1990. As a result, the ratio of reserves to non-performing loans rose from 73.1 percent at June 30, 1990 to 75.7 percent at Sept. 30, 1990.

Other real estate owned (OREO) totaled $195.5 million at Sept. 30, 1990

compared to $123 million at June 30, 1990, primarily due to the transfer of the one loan from non-performing to OREO status. The $195.5 million OREO total consisted of $50.9 million in actually foreclosed properties and $144.6 million in in-substance foreclosures. After a $2.2 million provision to the OREO reserve, its level stood at $15 million at Sept. 30, 1990, unchanged from the end of the second quarter. Capital

At Sept. 30, First Fidelity's primary and total capital ratios were 7.4 percent and 8.9 percent respectively, substantially exceeding the current regulatory minimums of 5.5 percent and 6 percent. The company's risk-adjusted capital ratios also were well above the current and prospective 1992 regulatory guidelines. Calculated on the 1992 basis, the estimated Tier I ratio was 5.6 percent and the estimated Total Risk-Adjusted Capital ratio was 9.5 percent. The Tier I Leverage ratio was 4.2 percent. Balance Sheet Highlights

At Sept. 30, 1990, First Fidelity had total assets of $29.3 billion compared with $29.5 billion a year earlier; total deposits of $23 billion, compared with $21.8 billion a year earlier, and loans of $18.6 billion compared with $19 billion a year earlier.

First Fidelity, a leader in providing financial services to the New Jersey-Pennsylvania region, operates through more than 500 offices and is among the nation's 25 largest banking organizations.

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SPARTANBURG, SC (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Synalloy Corp (ASE:SYO), a producer of specialty chemicals, dyestuffs, stainless steel pipe, vessels and process equipment, announced that sales in the third quarter increased 15 percent to $25,377,000 while net income of $1,467,000 or 41 cents per share improved 24 percent on a per share basis.

This is the first quarter that fully reflects the purchase from the shareholders of 525,000 shares at $9.50 per share under a self-tender offer completed in May.

Sales of $75,289,000 for the nine months were up 12 percent, but net income per share was down 16 percent because of special factors affecting first quarter profits which were fully described in the report for that quarter.

In the Metals Division, the third quarter produced record sales of $17,652,000

up 11 percent from last year. This increase was accomplished in spite of a decline in selling prices triggered by a 14 percent decline in the price of stainless steel, the principal raw material.

Operating income in the third quarter increased 10 percent to $2,248,000. The excellent profit margins are the result of the company's strategic focus on being the low cost domestic producer of stainless steel pipe.

Third quarter sales of $7,725,000 in the Chemical Division were up 23 percent over last year and operating profit of $682,000 showed a 51 percent improvement. The specialty chemical product group produced an even better sales increase of 57 percent.

This is significant since these products are targeted by the strategic plan to provide the principal future growth. Based on current conditions, the company expects a good fourth quarter and the third consecutive year of outstanding results. Like everyone else, Management is concerned about the unstable conditions in the Persian Gulf and their possible effect on the world economy.

However, the balance sheet is strong and Management is confident that Synalloy is well positioned to compete effectively and continue producing an above average return on equity.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Based on unaudited results, Harris Teeter Inc. announced Thursday that sales for the fiscal year 1990 were $1.16 billion, up 10.5 percent over 1989 sales of $1.05 billion.

Same store sales for the year were ahead 5.5 percent. At the end of the year, 130 stores were in operation compared to 128 at the end of fiscal 1989.

Sales for the fourth quarter (July 4 - Oct. 2) were $294.8 million, up 8.8 percent over sales for the like quarter a year ago of $270.9 million.

Harris Teeter operates a group of 130 supermarkets in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee. Harris Teeter is a subsidiary of Charlotte-based Ruddick Corp., a diverse group of North Carolina companies, including American & Efird Inc., Jordan Graphics Inc., and Ruddick Investment Co.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - NYNEX Corporation Thursday reported a 2.8 percent increase in net income for the third quarter of 1990 to $296.7 million, or $1.50 per share, compared with $288.7 million, or $1.47 per share, for the same period in 1989.

Total operating revenues for the third quarter were $3.40 billion, compared with $3.31 billion in the third quarter last year.

''The downturn in the Northeast economy is reflected in this quarter's flat revenues in the Telecommunications Sector,'' said NYNEX Chairman William C. Ferguson. ''However, we are pleased with our continued progress in controlling operating costs.''

Results for 1989's third quarter included the impact of the work stoppages at the NYNEX telephone companies which began in August 1989 and ended in December 1989.

Reflecting continued internal growth as well as acquisitions, revenues from non-telephone business segments rose for the quarter to $628.9 million, an increase of 18.0 percent. The number of mobile communications customers rose to 250,000, an increase of approximately 67,000 since last year's third quarter.

Expenses for the telephone sector, including New England Telephone and New York Telephone, rose 0.1 percent for the quarter. Total expenses for the corporation rose 3.5 percent over last year's third quarter.

Access lines served increased to 15.3 million during the quarter, or 2.0 percent, from 15.0 million in the prior year.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $888.7 million, equal to $4.47 per share, compared with net income of $851.3 million, or $4.32 per share, for the same period in 1989. Total operating revenues for the first nine months were $10.16 billion, compared with $9.84 billion for the first nine months of last year.

Return on equity for the third quarter was 12.87 percent and for the first nine months was 12.78 percent. Assets grew 3.0 percent over last year's third quarter to $26.35 billion.

Third quarter results reflect a Consent Decree reached with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), terminating a proceeding into alleged violations of affiliate transaction rules and policies by the NYNEX telephone companies from 1984 to 1988.

As part of the decree, the NYNEX telephone companies paid $1.4 million to the U.S Treasury and made a one-time reduction in interstate rates by $35.5 million. The telephone companies also agreed to reduce their capital accounts by $32.6 million, a write-down taken last December, to remove alleged excess profits on plant and equipment purchased from NYNEX Materiel Enterprises Company.

Under the agreement, the FCC closed its proceeding without any finding of violation or liability, and without any finding that forfeitures are necessary.

In New York, there is an important rate case pending. New York Telephone is asking for $831.7 million in new rates to take effect Jan. 1, 1991. Earlier this week, the administrative law judges presiding over the case recommended a rate increase of $23.6 million. NYNEX believes this proposal does not fairly or accurately reflect the record in the rate case proceeding. We hope that these factors will receive full consideration by the New York Public Service Commission when it makes its final decision in December.

NYNEX is a world leader in helping people communicate using information networks and services. It provides mobile and network communications to the Northeastern United States, and also offers these services globally, in addition to computers, software, directory publishing and other applied information solutions.

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BOSTON (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T said Thursday it will reduce by more than $18 million the prices its Massachusetts customers pay for a wide range of in-state, long distance communications services.

The rate reduction, proposed on October 9 and approved today by the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities, will go into effect at 12:01 a.m. Friday, October 19. The action reduces AT&T residential and business long-distance service rates an average of 26 percent.

''This is another in our continuing efforts to pass savings on to AT&T customers in Massachusetts and throughout the country,'' said Marc Rosen, AT&T government affairs vice president. ''Recent reductions in our costs of connecting to customers through the local telephone company -- as well as improvements and increased efficiencies in our network -- have made this price cut possible.''

Under the new rates, a 10-minute call from Boston to Springfield placed at 11 a.m. now costs $2.20, compared to the old charges of $3.37. A similar call

between those two cities at 9 p.m. now costs $1.71, compared to $2.26.

The reductions apply only to in-state Massachusetts calls and do not affect interstate rates.

This is the third time in 1990 that AT&T has reduced prices for its Bay State customers, saving them a total of more than $22 million.

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LONDON (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Oct. 18, British Gas (NYSE:BRG) announced Thursday that in the face of much higher than expected inflation and major increases in oil prices it was introducing only modest prices increases.

Tariff gas prices will still be more than 10 percent cheaper, when adjustment is made for inflation, than they were in 1986 when the company was privatized. They are also substantially lower than in most other European countries.

''We regret it has been necessary to announce an increase at that start of the winter period,'' said a British Gas spokesman, ''but gas will still remain the best value-for-money fuel in the energy market.''

The tariff price increases are not related to the current Middle Eastern situation which has led to major increases in oil prices.

Tariff prices - for domestic customers, and for industrial and commercial customers using less than 25,000 therms a year - will go up by between 3.3 percent and 3.7 percent from November 1, 1990.

The increase will add less than 4 pence a day to the cost of running gas central heating in an average three bedroom semi- detached house. Standing charges remain unchanged.

The last price increase took effect on March 1, 1990. The November increase is introduced because rates of inflation have exceeded those forecast at that time. The higher rate of inflation has led to higher costs for the gas business but the combined increases in March and November amount to less than the rate of inflation over the year and are within the limits required under the regulatory tariff formula.

British Gas points out that pensioners now have to spend a smaller proportion

of their pensions on gas cooking and heating than they have in the past. Twenty years ago some 14 percent of an average single pension went on buying gas for a cooker and living room fire. Today the same amount of gas can be bought for a little over 7 percent of the pension.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Dexx Energy Corp. wishes to announce that it shall bid for all the issued and outstanding common stock of Shogun Oil Inc., a Texas based petroleum company with assets in Texas and Utah on the basis of one common share of Dexx for every ten common shares of Shogun.

The company also wishes to announce that it has entered into an agreement with Excel Transcontinental Corp. by which it will vend it's remaining 33 1/3 percent working interest in certain of the oil and gas assets held by the company in the Bigoray ''U'' Field located near Drayton Valley, Alberta to Excel.

Excel will issue 886,000 common shares to complete the transaction at a value of 50 cents per share. This acquisition is subject to the approval of the various regulatory bodies involved in a transaction of this type.

The company also wishes to announce that it has moved it's head office to: 510, 900 - 6 Avenue S.W. Calgary, Alberta, T2P 3K2 Telephone - 403/299-0910; Fax - 403/299-0920

The company also wishes to announce the granting of Directors and Employees Stock Option entitling the holders thereof the right to acquire 600,000 common shares of capital stock of the Company at an exercise price of 15 cents per share. The options are exercisable for a term of two years commencing Aug. 12, 1990, subject to regulatory authority and shareholder approval.

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VANCOUVER, BC (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated Ramrod Gold Corp. (VSE: CYN) announces that, as of this date, the company is listed in the National Daily Quotation Service's ''PINK SHEETS''. Richardson Greenshields Securities Inc., 7 World Trade Centre, New York, N.Y., has agreed to be the market maker for the stock.

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WALTHAM, MA. (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Helix Technology Corp. (OTC NASDAQ:HELX) Thursday announced that net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, was $375,000, or 15 cents per share, compared with 1989's third quarter net income of $496,000, or 20 cents per share.

Sales for the quarter were $14.1 million vs. $12.4 million for the comparable period last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $704,000, or 28 cents per share, compared with net income of $2.4 million, or 97 cents per share for the first nine months of 1989. Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $37.5 million compared with $40.5 million a year ago.

The company also announced that the board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of 19 cents per common share. The dividend is payable on Nov. 21, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Oct. 31, 1990.

Commenting on third quarter results, Helix President, Robert J. Lepofsky, said ''Although product mix limited gross margin gains, the impact of internal cost containment programs improved sequential quarterly performance. Looking forward, we remain cautious about the near-term outlook for the semiconductor capital equipment market.''

Helix Technology Corp. is a worldwide leader in the development and application of cryogenic and vacuum technology. Helix is recognized for providing innovative solutions to customer requirements in select government and commercial markets.

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PIKEVILLE, KY (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Pikeville National Corp.'s (NASDAQ:PKVL) earnings for the third quarter increased 3.49 percent from $1,923,089 to $1,990,230.

Earnings per share were 68 cents vs. 67 cents for the previous year. Nine months earnings increased 5.58 percent from $5,609,293 to $5,922,505. Earnings per share were $2.06 vs. $1.96 for the previous year.

Assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $975,218,256 vs. $744,142,996, a year earlier.

All amounts reflect restatement after pooling of interests with F. Deposit Corp. effective July 31, 1990.

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK. (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Grey Advertising, headquartered in New York, and the 10th largest advertising and communication company in the world, has been selected as the new agency for the approximately 1,900 TCBY franchise and corporate stores worldwide.

The announcement was made Thursday at TCBY headquarters in Little Rock, by Frank D. Hickingbotham, chairman and founder of TCBY.

''After an extensive agency search, that involved representation of our franchise system, we selected Grey due to its ability to work closely with TCBY and our franchisees. Grey also demonstrated an understanding of retail marketing, and an exciting creative approach to our business,'' stated Hickingbotham.

''TCBY stores are a phenomenal success in the frozen yogurt business and we're thrilled to be working with them,'' comments Edward Meyer, chairman and chief executive officer of Grey.

TCBY is the largest franchisor and operator of retail stores specializing in soft-serve frozen yogurt products and is publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ''TBY.''

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LOUISVILLE, KY. (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Thomas Industries Inc. (NYSE:TII) Thursday declared its regular quarterly cash dividend of 19 cents per share, payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 7, 1990.

This will be the 142nd consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid by the company spanning a period of over 35 years.

Thomas Industries Inc. designs, manufactures and markets a broad array of commercial, industrial and residential lighting products, fractional horsepower compressors and vacuum pumps, as well as specialty products for commercial, industrial and consumer markets. Thomas, with worldwide sales last year in excess of $436 million, has operations in the U.S., Canada, Europe and Asia.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - October 18, 1990 -- The Lamson & Sessions Co. (NYSE:LMS) had net sales of $83.9 million for the third quarter which ended September 30, 1990 and net earnings of $1.5 million, or 11 cents a share John B. Schulze, chairman and chief executive officer, announced today.

Sales for the year-ago third quarter were $82.1 million and net earnings were $1.2 million, or 9 cents a share. The company attributes the improved earnings to the performance of its Transportation Equipment Products segment.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company had net sales of $243.8 million and net earnings of $3.6 million, or 27 cents a share. In the year-ago nine months, sales were $261.6 million and net earnings were $8.1 million, or 62 cents a share.

Looking forward, the Company said markets for Carlon, its major operating unit will continue to be affected by the turbulent financial conditions generally impacting the U.S. building industry. In addition, its Midland Steel Products unit, a producer of truck frames and components, will be impacted by the downturn in demand for medium and heavy-duty trucks.

Lamson & Sessions is the leading domestic producer of thermoplastic electrical conduit and related fittings and accessories for the construction, power and communications industries, and a producer of thermoplastic sewer pipe. It is also a manufacturer of products for the transportation equipment industry.

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WEST BEND, WIS. (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Sales gains and margin improvements drove record third quarter results for Gehl Co., a leading manufacturer of agricultural and light industrial/construction equipment.

Third quarter net income increased 58 percent to a record $1.9 million from $1.2 million in the same period a year ago, according to President and Chief Executive Officer Bernard L. Nielsen. The niche capital goods manufacturer posted a 13 percent growth in sales to $42.5 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 29, compared to $37.7 million in 1989.

Earnings per share were 32 cents, up 7 percent over the 30 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989, reflecting a 50 percent increase in the number of outstanding shares. Outstanding shares increased to 5.9 million from 3.9 million a year ago following the company's initial public offering in November of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 29, Gehl Co.'s net income increased 52 percent to $6 million from $4 million during the same period in 1989. Sales rose 11 percent to $128.4 million compared to $115.5 in 1989. Earnings per share were $1 compared to the 97 cents a year earlier.

''Gehl Co. has a continuing goal of improving margins through upgraded product design, new product introductions and increased operating efficiencies,'' said Nielsen. ''While we continue to invest to build our returns long term, our third quarter results demonstrate that these programs are already generating margin gains.''

Nielsen also noted that sales of Gehl agricultural equipment such as feed making and forage harvesting products to the stable dairy and livestock sectors were strong both here and overseas.

Gehl Co. (NASDAQ: GEHL) produces a broad line of niche capital goods equipment used worldwide in the agricultural and light industrial and construction industries. Founded in 1859, the company is headquartered in West Bend, Wis. with manufacturing facilities in West Bend, Wis.; Yankton and Madison, S.D. and Myerstown, Pa.

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SAN MATEO, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Universal Trust (NYSE:FT), a closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers Inc., Thursday released the following information regarding the fund's portfolio:

Portfolio breakdown as of 9/30/90

Corporate Bonds	65.6 percent
Utilities	23.0 percent
Precious Metals/Natural Resource Stocks	3.7 percent
Preferred Stock & Misc. Equities	4.7 percent
Cash & Equivalents	3.0 percent

At the commencement of the fiscal year, the fund had undistributed net investment income of $5.48 million; net investment income for the 12 months ended Aug. 31, 1990 was $27.65 million.

Distributions to shareholders from net investment income totaled $30.65 million during the fiscal year. Undistributed net investment income at August 31, 1990 was $2.48 million.

As of Oct. 17, 1990, as a precautionary measure to ensure that the fund maintains the required 300 percent asset coverage to its outstanding notes, Franklin Universal Trust had repurchased for cancellation $13.4 million of its outstanding $90 million 9-1/2 percent senior fixed-rate notes.

Franklin Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $43-billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.7 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, Calif. 94404.

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SAN MATEO, CA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Principal Maturity Trust (NYSE:FPT), a closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers Inc., Thursday released the following information regarding the fund's portfolio:

Portfolio breakdown as of 9/30/90

Zero Coupon Bonds	37.4 percent
Corporate Bonds	29.5 percent
Mortgage-Backed Securities	33.1 percent

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(NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $43-billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.7 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, Calif. 94404.

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POMONA, NY (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Barr Laboratories Inc. (AMEX:BRL) received approval from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to commence manufacture and sale of Erythromycin Estolate Oral Suspension.

Erythromycin Estolate is a broad spectrum antibiotic primarily prescribed for upper and lower respiratory tract, skin and soft-tissue infections of mild to moderate severity.

This is Barr's first product approval of a liquid dose form after many years of development work and FDA review. This approval will allow the company to commence production in its extensive liquid facility that has been constructed over the past several years in anticipation of FDA approval of our liquid applications. The company currently has 12 liquid applications pending approval at the FDA.

Erythromycin Estolate liquid will be an important extension to our broad tablet and capsule antibiotic product line.

Barr Laboratories Inc. is a prime manufacturer of a broad range of multi-source pharmaceutical products commonly known as generic drugs.

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BILLERICA, MA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Davox Corp. (OTC/NMS--DAVX) Thursday reported increases in both revenue and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenue for the period was $9.3 million and net income was $69,000. By comparison, revenue was $9.0 million for the second quarter of 1990 and $8.8 million for the comparable period of 1989. Net income for the period compares to net losses of $640,000 and $332,000, respectively, in the preceding and year-earlier quarters. Net income per share was one cent for the 1990 third quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, revenue was $28.3 million, 10 percent higher than the $25.7 million reported for the same period last year. Net loss for the nine months of 1990 was $522,000 compared to a net loss of $2,221,000 for the first nine months of 1989. Net loss per share was 10 cents vs. a net loss per share of 43 cents for the first nine months of last year.

Davox develops, produces and markets Computer Aided Communications systems, which include predictive dialing, interactive voice response and multifunction workstation systems. These products automate and integrate telephone and data communications functions to increase productivity in applications such as collections, telemarketing and customer service.

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CANTON, MA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Corporate Software Inc. (NASDAQ:CSOF), the value-added marketer of microcomputer software and hardware add-ins, Thursday announced net sales of $47,398,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This represents a 50 percent increase over net sales of $31,658,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income for the quarter rose 46 percent to $495,000, or 10 cents per share, over net income of $339,000, or 7 cents per share, for the same period one year ago.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales rose 52 percent to $142,698,000, compared to $93,690,000 in the same period in 1989. Net income for the first nine months increased 22 percent to $2,805,000, or 54 cents per share, compared to $2,298,000, or 45 cents per share, for the same period one year ago.

The company stated that earnings for the quarter were hampered by lower than expected revenues worldwide as a result of the current economic environment. In North America, after a strong start in July, sales slowed, especially in the Northeast, and revenues came in short of the company's expectations for the quarter.

Revenues in Europe, which represent 37 percent of the total, were also shy of expectations in local currency. Due to the weak dollar, the value of European revenues, when translated into dollars, was inflated.

Corporate Software sells and supports more than 1,500 software products and hardware add-ins for IBM, IBM compatible and Apple Macintosh personal computers, and is the leading reseller of upgrades from the major applications vendors. The company provides a comprehensive array of service to assist

large organizations in the evaluation, acquisition, support and maintenance of personal computer products and in the management of end user computing resources.

Founded in 1983, Corporate Software has offices in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Germany and France.

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SPARTANBURG, SC (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - TW Services Inc., a subsidiary of TW Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ:TWFS), Thursday announced plans to complete the centralization of this $3.5 billion food service company's operating management and support groups at its home office in Spartanburg, as well as the promotion of five of its senior officers to new positions.

In keeping with its centralization program, TW Services announced that most of the senior operating officers and all support staffs (i.e., legal, product development, human resources, real estate and construction, and finance) will be headquartered in Spartanburg.

The chief operating officers of each of the five divisions (Canteen, Denny's, El Pollo Loco, Hardee's and Quincy's) and the five senior staff officers will report directly to Richardson.

Ted A. Arts, 62, was named senior vice president and chief operating officer of the Canteen contract food service, recreational services and vending company. A 28-year veteran of Canteen, Arts was formerly president of its central division. In his new position, he will be responsible for operations, which had revenues of $1.4 billion in 1989.

Bernard Scott, 57, has been appointed senior vice president and chief operating officer of Denny's, the nations largest family restaurant chain, with 1989 revenues of $1.3 billion. Scott, who has been with Denny's for 16 years, had been vice president operations -- East Coast.

Samuel H. Maw, 57, formerly president and chief executive officer of Denny's, has been named senior vice president -- product development of TW Services. Maw, who has been with TW Services for 21 years, will have company-wide responsibility for new product development, purchasing and facilities.

The El Pollo Loco, Hardee's and Quincy's divisions of TW Services will continue to be headed by James C. Verney, H. Stephen McManus and William P. Phillips, respectively.

In addition to these appointments, two support staff officers were promoted: Jerry A. Houck, to senior vice president -- real estate and construction, and Donald H. Turner, to senior vice president -- human resources. Two other officers will remain in their present positions: Walter M. Brice III, senior vice president and chief financial officer, and Louis P. Howell, senior vice president and general counsel.

TW Services, which became a wholly owned subsidiary of TW Holdings Inc. on Dec. 6, 1989, is the fourth-largest food service company in the United States based on 1989 revenues of $3.5 billion.

The company is engaged in contract food and vending services, recreational services and restaurant operations through its Canteen, Hardee's, Quincy's, Denny's and El Pollo Loco business units.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Thursday, Oct. 18, 1990, The board of directors of Dreyfus Strategic Governments Income Inc. (NYSE, Symbol, DSI) declared from net investment income its monthly cash dividend of $0.09 per share of common stock, payable on November 15, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on November 1, 1990. The previous cash dividend declared in September was also $0.09 per share.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Oct. 18, 1990, Cellular Information Systems, Inc. (CALLA/NASDAQ) knows of no reason for today's fall in the price of its common stock.

Cellular Information Systems is a cellular telecommunications company that owns controlling interests in and operates cellular telephone systems.

The Company owns controlling interests in cellular systems serving or licensed to serve nineteen markets, has under contract the right to acquire four more and an option to acquire an additional system. The Company's cellular

interests represent approximately 2,500,000 effective pops.

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WINDSOR, CT (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - ADVO-System Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ADVO) announced Thursday that Kay Knight Clarke has joined the company as Senior Vice President of Business Development.

Clarke joins ADVO after a distinguished career in senior level positions in marketing, financial management and strategic planning, most recently with McGraw-Hill Inc.

She has also held management positions with CIGNA Securities, Shawmut Corp., Citicorp, Polaroid, and Arthur D. Little. She has also held significant corporate and non-profit organization directorships.

At ADVO, Clarke will be responsible for the identification and pursuit of strategic business expansion opportunities, as part of ADVO's further developing its capabilities in the provision to its clients of an extensive variety of micromarketing services. At ADVO, Clarke will report to Robert ''Kam'' Kamerschen, chairman and CEO.

In response to Clarke's joining ADVO, Kamerschen said, ''We are delighted that an experienced executive of Kay Clarke's talent and expertise has decided to become part of our senior management team. With people like Kay helping us, ADVO is moving quickly to position itself as the premier source for micromarketing solutions and associated advertising services in the 1990's.''

ADVO specializes in direct mail. The company's brand of shared mail, Marriage Mail and Mailbox Values, are distributed nationally to over 52 million households weekly. ADVO also processes Solo mailings and offers limited printing and transportation services. It has 20 production facilities and 69 sales offices nationwide. ADVO's Corporate headquarters are located at One Univac Lane, Windsor, Conn., 06095

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Olin Corp., Stamford, and Ciba-Geigy A.G., Basel, Switzerland, said Thursday they are discussing the establishment of a strategic alliance in the microelectronics field.

Talks have progressed to the point where the companies have made filings required under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act.

Olin and Ciba-Geigy would combine businesses involved in the development, production and marketing of photoresist and polyimide products, both of which are basic materials for manufacturing semiconductors.

Any arrangement between the parties would be subject to negotiation of definitive agreements, receipt of various approvals and other conditions, a spokesman said.

Proceeds that Olin would receive from the formation of the alliance are expected to be used for general corporate purposes, including reduction of debt.

The parties have agreed that it is premature to comment further on the proposed transaction at this stage of discussions.

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BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The Pioneer Group, Inc. (NASDAQ:PIOG), advisor to the Pioneer Mutual Funds and other accounts, reported earnings for the third quarter of 1990 of 38 cents per share, 22 cents per share below third quarter 1989 earnings of 60 cents. Earnings per share of $1.72 for the nine months ended September 30, 1990, were 1 cent higher than earnings of $1.71 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

On October 17, 1990, the Company's Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share, payable on December 14, 1990, to stockholders of record on December 3, 1990. This is the 47th consecutive quarter that the Company will have paid a dividend. Dividends will total 80 cents for 1990 as compared to 77 cents for 1989.

Revenues of $14.7 million for the third quarter were $0.7 million (5%) lower than the third quarter of 1989, primarily reflecting decreased investment management fees. The lower revenues reduced the Company's earnings per share

by 7 cents in the third quarter. Revenues of $46 million for the nine months ended September 30, 1990, were $0.8 million higher (2%) than the comparable 1989 period, primarily reflecting increased shareholder services fees.

Expenses of $10.4 million and $30.5 million for the third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990, were $1.4 million (15%) and $3.3 million (12%) higher than the comparable 1989 periods primarily reflecting: significant increases in personnel costs for both periods resulting from continued expansion of the Company's marketing and investment research departments, higher distribution costs related to the Company's intensified marketing efforts, and costs associated with the introduction of new mutual funds by the Company in 1990. The higher expenses reduced the Company's earnings by 14 cents per share in the third quarter.

Net income was $2.4 million for the third quarter and $10.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 1990, versus $3.7 million and $10.4 million, respectively, for the comparable 1989 periods.

Realized gains and an increase in the valuation of the Company's venture capital investment portfolio contributed 25 cents per share to the Company's earnings for the nine months ended September 30, 1990, all occurring in the first two quarters. For the first nine months of 1989, the change in the Company's venture capital investment portfolio valuation resulted in reduced earnings of 5 cents per share, 3 cents per share occurring in the third quarter.

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ELIZABETHTOWN, KY (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - First Federal Financial Corp. of Kentucky (NASDAQ/NMS:FFKY) held its Annual Stockholders Meeting on Oct. 17, 1990.

Directors Van Earl Allen, Wreno M. Hall and Walter D. Huddleston were re-elected to serve on the board for three-year terms. The accounting firm of Whelan, Johnson, Doerr & Pike was appointed to serve as the corporation's auditing firm for the current fiscal year.

At the organizational meetings of the board of directors of First Federal Financial Corp. and its wholly owned subsidiary, First Federal Savings Bank, both boards approved the following change in management positions: Wayne G. Overall Jr., current president was named chairman of the board of both

entities. Larry W. Logsdon, current executive vice president was named president and chief executive officer of both entities.

M. Dennis Young was assigned the duties of assistant to the president for both corporations.

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ALBANY, NY (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Albany International Corp. (NYSE/PSE:AIN) announced third quarter net income of $1.3 million, down from $10.0 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings per share were 5 cents in 1990 as compared to 40 cents in the corresponding quarter last year. Net sales increased 12.5% to $136.2 million from $121.0 million.

Net sales for the nine months increased 8.6% to $401.2 million from $369.5 million. Net income decreased 76.8% to $7.5 million from $32.3 million. Earnings per share declined to 30 cents from $1.29. Nine months results in 1989 included a non-recurring gain of 10 cents per share.

J. Spencer Standish, chairman, commented that more than half of the third quarter sales gain resulted from the strengthening of non-U.S. currencies against the dollar. Operating costs rose faster than sales due principally to inefficiencies caused by plant start-ups, additional depreciation, and personnel previously added to support anticipated sales increases.

After-tax earnings were further reduced by an increase in the effective tax rate reflecting current earnings mix and the anticipated tax rate for the year. Interest costs declined over the prior period due to capitalization of interest related to facilities under construction.

With the decrease in profits, management is taking steps to reduce costs, including layoffs and an early retirement window which combined will reduce salaried personnel by about 10 percent resulting in a one-time fourth quarter charge of approximately $8 million before taxes and is likely to result in a small fourth quarter loss.

During the third quarter, new plants in Holland, Sweden, and Finland began production. This nearly completes a three-year, $250 million capital expenditure program, which has resulted in new or modernized plants and expanded capacity around the world. Compared to 1990 capital expenditures of $110 million, expenditures in 1991, which include the completion of the press fabric plant in Sweden, will be about $45 million. Depreciation in 1991

should approximate $42 million.

Our new plants and equipment, combined with an agressive cost reduction program and accelerated product development, should result in improved profitability next year.

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QUINCY, MA (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The Hibernia Savings Bank (NASDAQ:HSBK) announced Thursday that for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 the bank had net income of $50,955, or $0.06 per share compared to net income of $100,332, or $0.13 per share for the same period a year ago.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 the bank had net loss of $1,898,728, or $2.37 per share, compared to net income of $615,195, or $0.77 per share for the same period a year ago.

Total assets of the bank increased by 7.7 percent to $204,536,224 at Sept. 30, 1990 from $189,801,318 at Sept. 30, 1989. Total loans over the same period increased by 1.62 percent to $153,140,449 at Sept. 30, 1990 from $150,697,031 at Sept. 30, 1989. Total deposits increased by 11.0 percent at Sept. 30, 1990 to $173,710,881 from $156,463,482 at Sept. 30, 1989.

Stockholders' equity totaled $12,698,715 at Sept. 30, 1990. Based on 800,000 shares outstanding the bank's book value was $15.87 per share. The bank exceeds all regulatory capital requirements and as of Sept. 30, 1990 the bank's regulatory capital ratio was 7.2 percent of assets.

The bank's total loan loss provision for the first nine months amounted to $3,979,000, compared to a total of $342,000 for the first nine months of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, $914,207 was charged, net of recoveries, to the allowance for loan losses, compared to $160,136 for the first nine months of 1989. The bank's loan loss reserve totaled $4,408,019 at Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $535,861 at Sept. 30, 1989, for a net increase of $3,872,158.

The bank at Sept. 30, 1990 had 68 loans in non-performing status totaling $8,550,967 which represents 4.18 percent of total assets compared to non-performing loans totaling $7,615,111 representing 3.67 percent of total assets at June 30, 1990. In addition at Sept. 30, 1990 the bank had acquired 42 parcels of real estate through foreclosure totaling $5,421,385, or 2.65 percent of total assets compared to 32 parcels totaling $3,158,555, or 1.52 percent of total assets at June 30, 1990.

Real estate owned is carried on the bank's books at the lower of the

preforeclosure loan balance or the projected market value. In total the bank's non-performing assets totaled $13,972,350 at Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $10,773,666 at June 30, 1990.

The Hibernia Savings Bank, founded in 1912, is a state chartered, FDIC insured stock institution which offers a wide range of deposit and loan products. The Hibernia Savings Bank also features money market deposit accounts commercial and residential mortgages and consumer loans. The main office of the bank is located at 731 Hancock Street, Quincy, Mass. The bank also has retail banking facilities located at 101 Federal Street, Boston, 51 Commercial Street, Braintree, Mass., and at 1150 Washington Street, Weymouth, Mass.

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MEMPHIS, TN (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Planters Corp. (NYSE:UPC) Thursday reported third quarter net earnings of $5.1 million, or 26 cents per common share.

This compares with net earnings of $5.7 million, or 30 cents per common share in the first quarter of 1990 and $6 million, or 31 cents per common share in the second quarter of 1990.

In the third quarter of 1989, the corporation reported a net loss of $14.8 million, or 79 cents per common share. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net earnings were $16.9 million, or 87 cents per common share, compared to a net loss of $4.3 million, or 23 cents per common share for the same period in 1989.

During the quarter, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) completed a joint examination of the corporation's largest subsidiary, Union Planters National Bank (UPNB). In conjunction with the examination of UPNB, the Federal Reserve completed its annual examination of the corporation.

Results for the third quarter were down from the first two quarters of 1990 primarily due to an additional provision for losses on loans of $2.5 million as a result of the regulatory examinations.

Non performing assets (including loans 90 days or more past due) increased $1.2 million to $39.4 million at Sept. 30, 1990, from $38.2 million at June 30 1990. The allowance for losses on loans was $49.5 million, or 196 percent of nonperforming loans as of Sept. 30, compared to $48.7 million, or 161 percent of nonperforming loans as of June 30, 1990.

As a percentage of loans plus foreclosed properties, nonperforming assets were 1.80 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to 1.69 percent at June 30, 1990.

Net interest income for the third quarter of 1990 was $35.3 million, compared to $29.7 million for the same period in 1989 and $32.4 million for the second quarter of 1990. The improvement over the third quarter of 1989 is primarily the result of the purchase of two banks and a bank holding company while the improvement over the second quarter of 1990 was due to growth in net interest income and the purchase of a bank holding company in June 1990.

Noninterest income excluding broker/dealer profits and commissions, for the third quarter of 1990 increased 26 percent, compared to the same periods in 1989 and increased 17 percent, compared to the second quarter of 1990.

Noninterest expenses, excluding broker/dealer commissions paid and noninterest expenses of purchased banks, for the third quarter of 1990 decreased 22 percent, compared to the same period in 1989 and decreased 1 percent, compared to the second quarter of 1990.

Results for the third quarter of 1989 included a charge of $2.2 million in anticipation of future legal costs and expenses associated with litigation and a $7.5 million write-off of certain intangible assets (primarily goodwill).

Noninterest expenses of purchased banks were $3.7 million and $115,000, respectively, for the third quarter of 1990 and 1989 and $1.8 million for the second quarter of 1990. The broker/dealer operations reported an after-tax loss of $399,000 for the third quarter of 1990, compared to an after-tax loss of $6.9 million in 1989.

The corporation's capital ratios remain strong. At Sept. 30, 1990, the primary and total capital ratios were 7.6 percent and 9.2 percent, respectively. On a pro forma basis after the purchase of 2 million UPC common shares from Santa Cruz Resources Inc., these ratios were 7.2 percent and 8.8 percent, respectively.

The corporation ended the quarter with $3.9 billion in assets, $2.2 billion in loans, $3.3 billion in deposits and total shareholders' equity of $251 million.

The board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of 12 cents per share, payable Nov. 16, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 2, 1990.

Union Planters Corp. is a multi-bank holding company with 19 banks in Tennessee, Missisippi, Arkansas and Alabama. The corporation's lead bank is the $2.2 billion Union Planters National Bank in Memphis.

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WAYNE, NJ (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Worldwide Computer Services Inc. (NASDAQ:WCSI) announced Thursday that revenues for the three month period ended Sept. 30, were $4,331,115 vs. the $4,384,114 a year ago.

Net income was $90,713 or 5 cents per share compared to $31,339 or 2 cents per share for the third quarter in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net sales were $13,165,796 compared to $13,481,076 for the similar period last year. Net income for the nine months was $287,744 or 15 cents per share compared to $217,463 or 12 cents per share.

Thomas E. Miller, president, noted that ''Net income for the third quarter and the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was a major improvement over the corresponding periods in 1989.'' Miller concluded ''1990 is expected to end on a healthy note as management continues to contain costs, strengthen operations and improve profits.''

Worldwide Computer Services Inc., specializes in supplying clients, primarily Fortune 500 companies, with temporary and on-site, computer software and communications professionals.

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JACKSON, MI (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Deposit Guaranty Corp. (NASDAQ:DEPS) reports third quarter results.

DEPOSIT GUARANTY CORP.
Financial Results

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net income	$8,374,000	$8,238,000	$17,030,000	$24,672,000
Net income per share:				
Primary	$ 1.06	$ 1.04	$ 2.16	$ 3.10
Fully diluted	$ 1.00	98 cents	$ 2.07	$ 2.93

Deposit Guaranty's total assets were $4.758 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, up from $3.598 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. Stockholders' equity was $261 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $250 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

The decline in earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was a result of the special $10 million addition to the reserve for possible loan losses made in the seocnd quarter of 1990 prior to the scheduled examination. This provision strengthened Deposit Guaranty National Bank's reserve for possible loan losses primarily to cover credit risk in the real estate lending portfolio.

Commercial National Corp. in Shreveport, La., a subsidiary of Deposit Guaranty Corp., continued to show net income well ahead of expectations. The Shreveport economy showed favorable signs of stabilization as reflected by a 4 percent increase in retail deposits since January 1990.

CONTACT: Deposit Guaranty Corp., Jackson
Pam Kloha, 601/968-4759

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#90291b0960 10/18/1990 ~Business Wire
BOSTON (OCT. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Affiliated Publications Inc. Thursday announced that revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $130,404,000 compared to $126,964,000 for the same period a year ago.

Income from continuing operations and net income were both $4,036,000 or 6 cents per share vs. $8,481,000 or 12 cents per share in 1989.

For the first nine months, revenues were $396,196,000 compared to $396,313,000 for the same period in 1989. Income from continuing operations for the nine months was $17,910,000 or 26 cents per share vs.
$29,763,000 or 43 cents per share in 1989.

Net income for the for the first nine months of 1990 was $17,910,000 compared to $2,879,000 in the preceding year. In 1989, net income included charges related to Affiliated's share of losses from its former investment in McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. of Kirkland, Wash., as well as costs relating to the restructuring of that investment. There was no such charge in the third quarter of 1989.

Lower advertising volume at The Boston Globe resulting from the sluggish economy continued to affect Affiliated's earinings adversely in the third quarter. In addition, the operating income of its subsidiary, BPI Communications Inc. (BPI), was negatively impacted, as expected, by start-up losses of its broadcast monitoring service, together with additional amortization costs related to the acquisition in July of A/S/M Communications Inc.

Affiliated Publications Inc. is the parent company of Globe Newspaper Co. (publisher of The Boston Globe) and BPI, a leading publisher of specialty magazines, books and electronic data bases for the entertainment, arts and

design markets.

CONTACT: Affiliated Publications, Boston
  William Huff, 617/929-2663

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     #90291c0004 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 44

GROUP LED BY HERITAGE MEDIA CORP OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 3,275,225 SHARES (83.30%) OF POP RADIO CORP (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Giving effect to the issuance of the total shares subject to outstanding options, warrants or convertible securities based on the 561,534 shares which Heritage believes are subject to outstanding options, warrants or convertible securities Heritage would beneficially own 3,338,974 shares, including an aggregate of 494,232 shares owned by the shareholders and the 3,500 plaintiff proxy shares, or 79.1 percent of the outstanding shares.

PURPOSE:

Amended settlement agreement.

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     #90291c0005 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

E.& M. SHEA REAL PROPERTY TRUST OWNS 1,218,000 SHARES (6.35%) OF MIZLOU COMMUNICATIONS (TICKER: MZLU) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The purpose of this amendment is to correct any error contained in the schedule 13D with respect to the beneficial ownership of common stock by the Trust and to report transaction made during the period of Oct. 5 to Oct. 12, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 5 through Oct. 11, 1990, the Trust sold 13,000 Units at a price of

$4.06 to $4.25 per unit and 10,525 shares at a price of $0.47 to $0.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Correction amendment.

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#90291c0006 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY NORTH AMERICAN INVESTMENT CORP OF E. HARTFORD, CT 3,225,877 SHARES (11.90%) OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC (TICKER: NAVI) OF MONTVALE, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 19, 1990, the independent administrative committee of North American Ventures Inc. approved the granting of incentive stock options to Mr. Kopko totalling 500,000 shares at the current market value of $.735 per share exercisable over ten years. The committee also approved a loan of $600,000 to Mr. Kopko pursuant to the 1990 employee stock purchase plan which would enable Mr. Kopko to purchase 816,327 shares of stock at the current market value of $.735.

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#90291c0008 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FIDENAS INVESTMENT LTD OWNS 828,500 SHARES (8.20%) OF DATAPOINT CORP (TICKER: DPT) OF SAN ANTONIO, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Fidenas and Martin S. Ackerman reached an informal oral understanding on March 28, 1990 that they would act together in exploring a possible acquisition of or other transaction involving the company. That informal understanding has terminated.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 15, 1990, Fidenas acquired 250,000 shares in a private transaction from Martin S. Ackerman at a price per share of $4.17.

PURPOSE:

Termination of informal understanding.

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#90291c0009 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

M.S. ACKERMAN OWNS 100 SHARES (.10%) OF DATAPOINT CORP (TICKER: DPT) OF SAN ANTONIO, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Fidenas and Martin S. Ackerman reached an informal oral understanding on March 28, 1990 that they would act together in exploring a possible acquisition of or other transaction involving the company. That informal understanding has terminated.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 15, 1990, Martin S. Ackerman transferred 250,000 shares to Fidenas at a price of $4.17 per share.

PURPOSE:

Termination of informal understanding.

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#90291c0010 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY HEILBRONER & ASSOCIATES OWNS 1,753,000 SHARES (.03%) OF CORPORATE CAPITAL RESOURCES INC (TICKER: CCRS) OF WESTLAKE VILLAGE CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

There have been no warrants issued.

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#90291c0011 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

W.D. BALTHROPE OWNS 105,000 SHARES (6.48%) OF JOHNSON ELECTRONICS INC (TICKER: JHSN) OF ORLANDO, FL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Jan. 16, 1990 through Oct. 11, 1990, Balthrope purchased 40,000 shares at a price of $1 to $1.61 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 473
#90291c0012 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

M.D. CARLSON OWNS 302,545 SHARES (9.20%) OF TELEPHONE & DATA SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: TDS) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This statement reports the transfer of 52,700 series A common shares and 47,300 common shares by M.D. Carlson to the Wellesley Trust.

PURPOSE:

Transfer of shares.

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#90291c0013 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

M.D. CARLSON OWNS 302,545 SHARES (8.80%) OF TELEPHONE & DATA SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: TDS) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT: M.D. Carlson owns less than five percent of the securities described in item 1 due to the increase in common shares outstanding of Telephone & Data Systems Inc. which was caused by a public offering since the

date of the last schedule 13D.

PURPOSE:

Transfer of shares.

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#90291c0014 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY PATRICIA INVESTMENTS INC OWNS 399,000 SHARES (13.60%) OF ENERGY SERVICE INC (TICKER: ESV) OF HOUSTON, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 12, 1990, Patricia Investments Inc. purchased 5,000 and 19,000 shares at a price of $20 and $20.47, respectively.

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#90291c0016 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY FAI TRADERS INSURANCE CO LTD OWNS 900,000 SHARES (7.50%) OF FOREMOST CORP OF AMERICA (TICKER: FCOA) OF GRAND RAPIDS, MI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Feb. 26, 1990, FAI entered into a letter agreement with the company that provided for confidential information about properties and operations of the company to FAI. FAI agreed to limit purchases of shares without permission of the company.

PURPOSE:

Confidentiality agreement.

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#90291c0017 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ALLIED-SIGNAL INC OF MORRISTOWN, NJ OWNS 308,700 SHARES (8.20%) OF COPLEY PROPERTIES INC (TICKER: COP) OF BOSTON, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Allied-Signal Inc. purchased 39,200 shares from June 14 to Oct. 9, 1990 for $11.13 to $11.75 per share.

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#90291c0018 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GOLDEN OIL CO DEL OF HOUSTON, TX OWNS 2,208,359 SHARES (32.80%) OF COBB RESOURCES CORP (TICKER: COBB) OF ALBUQUERQUE, NM.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 15, 1990, Cobb agreed to be merged with a subsidiary of Golden Oil Co. Del. Each of Cobb Resources Corp.'s shareholders will receive Golden shares based on the relative adjusted balance sheet net worth of Golden. The agreement also provided that the court action commenced on Oct. 9, 1990 by Golden be postponed indefinitely and a second seat on the board will be provided to a representative of Golden. Golden agreed to refrain from further proxy activities.

PURPOSE:

Merger agreement.

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#90291c0019 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

R.B. NEWMAN II OWNS 166,544 SHARES (12.11%) OF RAND CAPITAL CORP (TICKER: RAND) OF BUFFALO, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Newman became a member of Rand Capital Corp.'s board of directors in 1987.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 28 through Oct. 4, 1990, R.B. Newman II purchased 25,000 shares at a price of $2.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

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#90291c0020 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC OWNS 3,005,307 SHARES (5.38%) OF ECHLIN INC (TICKER: ECH) OF BRANFORD, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 15 through Oct. 15, 1990, Gabelli Funds Inc. purchased 494,000 shares at a price of $9.38 to $11.25 per share, and sold 112,000 shares at a price of $9.38 to $11.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90291c0021 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY BCL INVESTMENT PARTNERS LP OWNS 6,914,289 SHARES (33.40%) OF READING & BATES CORP (TICKER: RB) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 12, 1990, BCL entered into a sale and assignment agreement with American Investment Bank NA pursuant to which BCL has purchased certain

restructured debt obligations of Reading & Bates Corp. owned by AIB and 235,980 class B shares associated with such debt. On Oct. 15, 1990, BCL sold a 50 percent interest in each of the AIB debt and class B shares to R&B Investment Partnership LP pursuant to a participation agreement. BCL Investment Partners LP believe that the company continues to be in a precarious financial position and are participating actively in negotiations concerning a possible plan of recapitalization of Reading & Bates Corp.

PURPOSE:

Possible plan of recapitalization of Reading & Bates Corp.

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#90291c0022 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows General Genetics (TICKER: GENG) entered an agreement on Oct. 22, 1984, to merge into Geotround Corp., a subsidiary of Tround International Inc.(TICKER: TROU).

The merger agreement was subsequently cancelled, and in September, 1987, General Genetics and Tround agreed to a plan of reorganization and have Tround reacquire ownership of Geothermalin consideration of 1.36 million shares of Tround common stock to be distributed to shareholders, other than Tround shareholders.

On Oct. 1, 1990, General Genetics' board of directors resolved to proceed with finalizing the transaction.

They fixed the close of business on Oct. 15, 1990, EST, as the record date for determining the shareholders of General Genetics who entitled to receive the distribution shares.

The company's offices are located at Alpha Industrial Park, Industrial Drive, Rd. No. 1, Box 13T, Phillipsburg, NJ 08865, and its telephone number is (201) 859-6295.

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#90291c0024 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Amre Inc. (TICKER: AMM) announced it has signed a letter of intent to acquire the business of Spray-Tech Inc. for $3.5 million in cash and stock.

An additional $2.5 million may be paid in the future, depending on the occurrence of certain events.

Spray-Tech is a Sears licensee engaged in the sale and installation of siding and textured coating.

Amre also announced the appointment of Robert Levin as president of the Exterior Home Improvements Division.

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#90291c0025 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Hall Financial Group (TICKER: HALL) announced Oct. 12, 1990, that it has filed suit against Balcor Co. in response to a suit filed against it by Balcor.

Balcor is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Shearson Lehman Hutton Inc., a subsidiary of American Express Co. Inc.

The companies are involved in a dispute about a joint venture relationship between the firms and $108.45 million in loans.

Hall states that because the company believes Balcor breached the parties' agreements, it ceased making payments on certain loans.

Balcor subsequently filed a lawsuit against Hall.

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#90291c0026 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Bancfirst Corp. announced that effective Oct. 1, 1990, Gordon C. Wagner was appointed president and chief executive officer of Bancfirst Corp. and its wholly-owned subsidiary, the First National Bank of Zanesville.

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#90291c0027 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Suncoast Savings and Loan Association (TICKER: SCSL) announced it will make a late filing of its annual report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

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#90291c0028 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows POP Radio Corp.(TICKER: POPX) announced Oct. 15, 1990 that the settlement agreement it entered in connection with pending class action litigation and relating to the proposed merger of POP with a subsidiary of Heritage Media Corp., was approved by a trial level court.

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#90291c0029 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (^{OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Above Technologies Inc.(TICKER: ABVE) changed the terms of its proposed private placement of common stock and common stock purchase warrants.

The company now will attempt to raise $1.0 million in operating capital by selling 100 units at a price of $10,000 per unit.

Each unit consists of 20,000 shares of common stock and 20,000 three-year common stock purchase warrants, exercisable at $0.50 per share.

The company states it plans to register the shares of common stock underlying these warrants.

Additionally, the board of directors accepted the resignation of Robert F. Rafferty and appointed Larry Beck as a director of Above Technologies.

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#90291c0030 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Cadema Corp.(TICKER: CDMA) agreed, on Aug. 9 and Sept. 28, 1990, along with its wholly-owned subsidiary, Cadema Medical Products Inc., to sell to CISUS Inc., the Cadema AeroTech product line, including inventory, goodwill, intellectual property, customer lists, manufacturing know-how, regulatory approvals, manufacturing and quality control tooling and equipment.

The purchase price was approximately $550,000, plus other considerations.

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#90291c0032 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Information Resources Inc.(TICKER: IRIC) on Sept. 28, 1990, purchased rights to certain customer contracts from SAMI Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Control Data Corp.(TICKER: CDA).

Information Resources paid for the rights by issuance to SAMI of a $7.0 million four-year debenture.

The purchase was made in connection with Control Data's planned shut-down of SAMI's product tracking operations.

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#90291c0033 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows

Pressure Piping Components Inc.(TICKER: PPCI) earned $37,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $7,000), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $46,000 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $31,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $11,000), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $50,000 for the same period in 1989.

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#90291c0034 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Gold Express Corp.(TICKER: GDEX) lost $345,383, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $23,089 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $616,976, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $101,511 for fiscal 1989.

The company reports that it is a development stage enterprise and has not commenced commercial production of its properties or sold any product.

The company's executive offices are located at P.O. Box 2822, Spokane, WA 99220, and its telephone number is (509) 838-4403.

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#90291c0035 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Lodgistix Inc.(TICKER: LDGX) reported a fiscal year loss of $1.64 million, or $0.27 per share, on revenues of $17.62 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $4.26 million (including a gain of $182,058 on discontinued operations), or $0.71 per share, on revenues of $16.51 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90291c0036 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Top-Air Manufacturing Inc.(TICKER: TOPM) lost $174,329, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $310,430 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $166,691, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $220,242 for the same period in 1989.

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#90291c0037 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Coastland Corp.(TICKER: CLFL) lost $272,000 (including an extraordinary loss of $109,000), or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $71,000 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $41,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $9,000), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $58,000 for the same period in 1989.

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#90291c0038 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:49 that trade in Collagen Corp.(NASDAQ: CGEN) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 20 3/4. The company is located in Palo Alto, CA.

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#90291c0040 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Sonotek Corp.(TICKER: SOTK) lost $181,956, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $446,557 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $145,048 (including an extraordinary gain of $58,100), or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $745,442 for the same period in 1989.

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#90291c0042 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Met-Coil Systems (TICKER: METS) lost $184,000, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $12.27 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $67,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $12.72 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90291c0043 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows West Oil Co. earned $105,419, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $815,635 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $189,562, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $502,729 for the same period in 1989.

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#90291c0044 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Daka International Inc.(TICKER: DKAI) lost $840,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $408,000), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $172.71 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $4.40 million, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $162.98 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90291c0045 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Prime Cellular Inc.(TICKER: PCEL) lost $146,998, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $45,954 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

The company reports this to be the first quarter of its operations.

It is in the development stage, having been organized in May, 1990 to provide management services to rural service area cellular telephone licensees.

Prime Cellular's executive offices are located at 375 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10152, and its telephone number is (212) 644-8200.

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#90291c0046 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Continental Homes Holding Corp.(TICKER: CONH) earned $709,000, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $33.77 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.37 million, or $0.39 per share, on revenues of $36.26 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90291c0047 10/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Polestar Exploration Inc.(TICKER: PSEA) lost $426,703, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $40,362 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $631,766, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $18,269 for fiscal 1989.

All figures are expressed in Canadian dollars.

The company, a development stage enterprise, and states that from its inception, it has not generated any revenues from its mining operations.

Polestar's executive offices are located at #701-675 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, and its telephone number is (604) 684-6287.

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#90291c0049 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Consolidated American Industries (TICKER: COAM) lost $34,151, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.06 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $273,292, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $1.23 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90291c0050 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Alpha Solarco(TICKER: ASCO) lost $200,952, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $469 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $233,236, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $11,008 for the same period in 1989.

The company, a development stage enterprise, reports it has never generated sufficient operating revenues to be viable in the absence of outside sources of capital and has a continuing need to generate working capital from some source, whether sales revenues, the issuance of additional securities, or loans.

The company's executive offices are located at 11534 Gondola Drive, Cincinnati OH 45241, and its telephone number is (513) 771-1690.

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#90291c0051 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:10 that trade in Courier Dispatch Group Inc. (NASDAQ: CDGI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 1/2. The company is located in Atlanta, GA.

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#90291c0052 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:36 that trade in

Freddie Mack has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol FRE.

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#90291c0053 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:43 that trade in Bryn Mawr Bank Corp.(NASDAQ: BMTC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 21 1/2. The company is located in Bryn Mawr, PA.

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#90291c0054 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - Congress was told today the U.S. can expect continued trade friction with Japan in the 1990s but it should still continue to pressure Asia's economic giant to open its markets.

"By and large, there is no alternative but to continue to try to get the Japanese to change and move in a direction that makes Japan more open to the rest of the world," said Edward Lincoln, a foreign policy expert at the Brookings Institution.

"With respect to the Japanese economy, there's no good alternative than to keep pressure on getting them to open their economy," added Alan Wolff, a former general counsel to the U.S. trade representative.

The comments were made in testimony before the congressional Joint Economic Committee, which held a hearing examining the outlook for economic relations between the U.S. and Japan.

In May, 1989, the U.S. initiated the Structural Impediments Initiative (SII) with Japan in an effort to address some of the root causes of the bilateral trade deficit, which stood at $49 billion at the end of the year.

In the SII, the U.S. identified a number of Japanese structural barriers, including the government's tolerance of anticompetitive business and pricing practices, the high Japanese savings rate, and land-use policies which have led to high land prices in Japan. Japan, in turn, cited the low U.S. savings rate, inadequate business investment and short-term corporate strategies which have contributed to the trade imbalance. In June, 1990, the two nations issued a report on the SII in which they outlined measures they would undertake to address the structural impediments in their respective economies.

Asked if trade negotiations will continue to cause friction between the two nations in the 1990s, Lincoln said, "It could get worse. I'd be surprised if it got better."

"SII is a usefull contribution but it's not enough," added Wolff. "I'm afraid the lessons we've learned from Japan has to be based on reciprocity."

Wolff cautioned a reduction of the bilateral trade deficit may be misleading if it results from Japan buying from its Japanese subsidiaries in the U.S. rather than from U.S. producers.

"Trade balance is becoming less and less of a good indicator of the integration of Japan into world markets," he said.

Rep. James Scheur (D-N.Y.) suggested the U.S. should act unilaterally to improve its competitiveness instead of waiting for Japan to open its markets.

"Maybe the fault lies with ourselves," Scheur said. "Should we concentrate on getting Japan to be more like us or look at its success -- the ability to save to invest in research and development, the emphasis on quality? We should have the U.S. learn how management can take a long-term view on capital and quality education."

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#90291c0055 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the National Association of Securities Dealers Inc. reports on Oct. 9, 1990, Comtex Scientific Corp. (TICKER: CMTX) received a written notification from the NASD.

The notice indicated that the annual report Comtex recently filed with the NASD showed the company's capital and surplus was below $375,000, the minimum required for a company to be listed on NASDAQ.

The NASD has informed Comtex it has 15 business days to raise its capital and surplus to $375,000 or else it will be delisted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 23, 1990.

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#90291c0057 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Solectric Corp.(TICKER: SOLE) lost $52,504, at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $88,066, at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

The company, a development stage enterprise, reports it has not generated minimum revenue levels necessary to produce profit, and is still developing its product line.

Solectric's executive offices are located at 11534 Gondola Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45241, and its telephone number is (513) 771-1690.

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#90291c0058 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Freddie Mack has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol FRE. Trading was resumed at 15:42.

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#90291c0059 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows VTN Corp.(TICKER: VTNC) earned $12,548, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $2.07 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $560,027, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $2.92 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90291c0060 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Princeton Electronic Products Inc.(TICKER: PELT) lost $15,091, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $27,638 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $21,810, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $66,640 for the same period in 1989.

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#90291c0061 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows JRM Holdings Inc.(TICKER: JRMX) earned $747,061 (including an extraordinary gain of $410,000 and a gain of $217,576 from discontinued operations), or $0.43 per share, on revenues of $2.31 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.67 million (including a loss of $1.54 million from discontinued operations), or $1.00 per share, on revenues of $2.10 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90291c0062 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 28, 1990, Orthopedic Services Inc.(TICKER: OSII) acquired all of the issued

and outstanding stock of Custom Prosthetics of Arizona Inc. from Joseph and Sally Leal.

The purchase price was $500,000 in cash and a $250,000, 7% subordinated promissory note.

Custom Prosthetics provies prosthetic and orthopedic rehabilitation services in Tucson, Arizona.

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#90291c0063 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows International Design Group Inc.(TICKER: IDGI) earned $79,312 (including a gain of $98,565 from discontinued operations), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $41,049 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.06 million (including a loss of $1 million from discontinued operations), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $57,807 for the same period in 1989.

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#90291c0065 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Ameralia Inc.(TICKER: AALA) lost $664,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $102,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $698,000, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $321,000 in fiscal 1989.

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

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#90291c0066 10/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows DEKALB Genetics Corp.(TICKER: SEED) earned $15.4 million, or $2.72 per share, on revenues of $274 million for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $12.1 million, or $2.14 per share, on revenues of $255.3 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90291d0090 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (OCT 18) - Following Mercedes by two days, Porsche is starting a trading company in Hungary.

Porsche Hungaria, which is to open Friday, will be a subsidiary of Porsche Austria and plans to market not only the luxurious sportscar, but Volkswagen, Audi and SEAT models as well, the daily Vilaggazdasag reported on Thursday.

Mercedes Benz Auto Hungary Ltd. was introduced Wednesday by Formula-1 driver Niki Lauda, testing his own Mercedes 500 SL at the Hungaroring, the site of the Hungarian Formula-1 Grand Prix.

Porsche Hungaria hopes to sell 2,500 cars next year in Hungary, and Mercedes expects in the near future to reach the level of 1,000 cars sold annually.

The Hungarian car market is facing rapid changes with the switch-over in 1991 from ruble to hard currency accounting for trade with East European countries, from where 80 per cent of Hungarian car imports come.

The "traditional" partners are still unable to offer prices valid for next year, but they will no doubt be drastically raised, narrowing the gap between the prices of eastern and western cars.

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#90291d0220 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (OCT 18) - The United Nations World Food Program (WFP) on Thursday signed an agreement to give nearly 30 million dollars in emergency food aid to Liberian refugees in four West African countries, official sources said.

Under the accord, the WFP is to supply 40,500 tons of rice, 3,600 tons of corn soya blend, 2,970 tons of oil, 1,350 tons of canned fish and 360 tons of sugar for the more than 700,000 displaced people, refugees and returning nationals in Liberia, Sierra Leone, Guinea and Ivory Coast.

In August, the WFP signed a similar letter of understanding with Sierra Leone for emergency food assistance worth some 16.4 million dollars for Liberian refugees in the country.

The agreement was signed by Sierra Leone's acting Foreign Minister Bu-Juakei Jabbi, chairman of the National Refugee Committee and local WFP representative, Bai Bojang.

At least 10,000 people have died in Liberia's civil war launched last December in northeast Liberia by Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front (NPFL) rebels.

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#90291d0300 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (OCT 18) - A deeply divided Arab League managed to issue a unanimous

call here Thursday for sanctions against Israel for the Temple Mount killings in Jerusalem.

The final vote was unanimous, despite bitter debate which at one point saw the delegates from Iraq, the Palestine Liberation Organization and Yemen walk out of deliberations.

Afterward, interim Secretary General Assaad Lasaad said the unanimous vote said ''that the Palestinian cause is a matter for the entire Arab nation.''

The walkout was staged in protest against reluctance by other delegates to support a clause attacking the United States for supporting ''Israeli policies of terrorism and suppression.''

The full text of the resolution was not immediately made public.

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#90291d0640 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 18) - The U.S. Congress grilled Secretary of State James Baker for a second day Thursday on whether he would consult the body before an attack on Iraq, and on why he sponsored a U.N. resolution against Israel.

Baker refused to be pinned down to a commitment to consult with Congress prior to taking up arms, and repeated numerous times that Washington had sponsored the U.N. resolution because Israeli soldiers had used ''excessive force''.

Members of the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee questioned the secretary of State for over two hours, urging him to show more ''sensitivity'' to constitutional obligations.

The U.S. constitution stipulates that only Congress has the power to declare war, a law that some lawmakers feel was violated by former president Ronald Reagan when Grenada was invaded in 1983.

Baker said the U.N. resolution condemning Israel for the October 8 killings of 21 Palestinians was something that was not done to maintain cohesion within the anti-Iraq alliance in the Gulf.

''I want you to know that we would have voted for that resolution even if there hadn't been an Iraq-Kuwait crisis,'' he said. ''We simply had to condemn that violence.''

Asked whether the administration was softening its stance on Syria, Baker said Syrian leaders had told him for the first time in Damascus last month that they would take action against terrorism if Baker could provide evidence of Syrian-linked activities.

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#90291d5080 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT. 18) - Britain's VSEL shipbuilding consortium is putting its Cammell Laird military shipyard at Birkenhead in the north of England up for sale, and will close the facility in 1992 if no buyer is found, the company said on Wednesday.

Cammell Laird, which built 97 surface warships and 57 submarines between 1914 and 1945, was founded in 1824 and has specialized since 1985 in military ships.

The shipyard will close in 1992 when three conventional submarines are completed if no one wants to buy it.

Closure of the Merseyside yard would put 2,100 people out of work in a region which is already suffering heavy unemployment.

Britain's Trade and Industry Department has refused to give subsidies to the yard, saying such funds are reserved for builders of civilian vessels.

Among Cammell Laird's past glories was the Ark Royal, Britain's first aircraft carrier.

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#90291d5720 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT. 18) - A Brition, five Irish nationals and two Scandanavians who were allowed out of Iraq flew into London's Heathrow airport late Wednesday.

The eight men had all been working in Baghdad at a hospital run by PARC, a subsidiary of the Irish airlines Aer Lingus.

The Briton, Doctor John Barker, said their contracts had expired and Iraqi authorities allowed them to leave.

Three other Britons, including two who worked for the same hospital, fled to Saudi Arabia Monday after secretly leaving Iraq without exit visas.

Aer Lingus had criticized their flight as "very dangerous and irresponsible",

saying it hoped their action would not jeopardize the "special status" of the other employees at the hosptal, which includes some 200 Irish nationals and 42 Britons.

An Aer Lingus spokesman said the three had escaped "against the strong advice of both the British and Irish ambassadors in Iraq".

The three who escaped on Monday were the second group of Westerners to flee

Iraq for Saudi Arabia this month.

Three Britons and two Frenchmen held by Iraq arrived in Saudi Arabia on October 4 after fleeing the southern Iraqi town of Basra by boat.

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#90291d5730 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROTTERDAM, The Netherlands (OCT. 18) - Oil may be expensive these days, but there is no shortage of it here in the world's biggest oil port.

"1990 will beat all the records," said Hendrik-Jan Greeven, director general of Maasvlakte Olie Terminal, the biggest storage company in Western Europe with a capacity of four million square metres.

The flow of oil arriving here is such that Rotterdam's storage capacity is full. "We have seen no shortage in production, in quantity or in quality," he said.

His company stored 33 million tons of oil in 1989, 35 percent of it from Iraq and Kuwait - and the figure is expected to reach a record 36 million tons this year, he said.

A spokesman for Matex, another storage company with a capacity of two million square metres in Rotterdam, said that if anything, the Gulf crisis had increased demand for oil storage.

"Investors are storing as much as possible while they wait to see what happens " the spokesman, Leidus Fokma, said.

"Our tanks were already full" when Iraq invaded Kuwait, "and demand has grown since then," he said.

But Mr. Fokma said the current speculative buying would fall once oil reached a certain price, which he put at 60 dollars a barrel, when investors would begin unloading their stocks.

"The price increases we've seen since the invasion had no real cause," he said. "If investors have already panicked, one wonders what they will do if there's a war."

Meanwhile, storage firms have increased their prices by a third.

"In fact, we've gone back to the price levels of 10 years ago," said Mr. Fokma. "Overcapacity in Europe had pushed the prices down to unacceptable levels."

The Dutch Economy Minister, Koos Andriessen, told the lower house of

parliament a few days ago that he had found "no trace of penury in crude or petroleum products".

He said stocks of the industrialised nations were virtually at the same level as those of July 1.

But the minister warned that an early winter, a fall in production or refining capacity could soon bring a shortfall.

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#90291d5770 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO, Oct 18 (AFP) - Nichimen Corp., a leading Japanese trading company, said Thursday it has set up a lumber joint venture with the Soviet Far Eastern Forestry Corp. in the Soviet Siberian region.

The joint venture, named Somon after a small river in the region, is capitalized at 240 million yen (1.9 million dollars), 20 percent owned by Nichimen and the rest by the Soviet partner, Nichimen officials said.

A lumber plant to be built near the port of DeKastri for completion in 1991 will produce 27,000 cubic meters (945,000 cubic feet) of lumber annually to be exported to Japan.

It will double production in three years, bringing six million dollars in foreign currency to the Soviet Union, the officials said.

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#90291d5820 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (OCT. 18) - New Zealand's biggest public company, Fletcher Challenge Ltd. (FCL) announced here Thursday it had acquired the gas and condensate interests held by British Petroleum (BP) in the off-shore Maui field

It had also purchased BP's interests in the onshore Kapuni gascondensate field which it will sell to Shell New Zealand and Todd Petroleum Mining Company Ltd.

Both fields are in Taranaki, 400 kilometres (248 miles) south of here.

In a statement FCL chief executive Hugh Fletcher said the move extended FCL's interests in Maui to 68.75 percent. BP (Oil Exploration) owned 18.75 per cent of Maui and 37.5 percent of Kapuni.

The Maui acquisition will add 26 percent, or around 93 million barrels of oil equivalent, to FCL's total reserves of 45 million barrels of oil equivalent.

He said the cost of the purchase from BP was 290 million dollars (174 million

U.S). It will onsell the Kapuni interests to Shell and Todd for 70 million dollars (42 million dollars).

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#90291d5830 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONIARA (OCT. 18) - The Solomon Islands' besieged Prime Minister Solomon Mamaloni Thursday rejected calls for his resignation because he said he had overwhelming support in parliament to rule the country.

In a speech broadcast on radio Mr. Mamaloni dismissed the crisis triggered last Friday when he defected from the ruling People's Alliance Party (PAP) and formed a government with five opposition members as "a small political hiccup."

He rejected a petition signed by 19 PAP members including eight current ministers, saying he would stay prime minister because the post had been bestowed on him by the constitution, "and there has been no reason to disqualify me."

Mr. Mamaloni's decision to quit as PAP leader came a week before a party convention was tipped to pass a no-confidence motion in him.

The motion arose from the reported involvement of Mr. Mamaloni and others in efforts to obtain a 250 million U.S. dollar loan from a little known Italian company called ESCA.

Mr. Mamaloni said he was surprised to see that eight ministers had signed the petition, but added, "this will be sorted out when the new cabinet holds its first meeting next Tuesday."

He claimed he had the support of 15 cabinet ministers and 12 backbenchers which gave him 27 backers in the 38 member parliament.

Three of five opposition members who joined Mr. Mamaloni last Friday have been sworn in and the last two would be sworn in next week, he said.

"I did not sack five of my ministers as claimed by the media but they were laid off because they could not be accommodated under the new formula used to form my new government," he said.

Mr. Mamaloni became prime minister of the Solomon Islands -- a former British colony of about 300,000 people in the South Pacific -- for the second time last year. He previously served from 1981 to 1984.

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#90291d5840 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CHITTAGONG, Bangladesh (OCT. 18) - Bangladesh is expected to cut its oil

imports by 30 per cent during the current fiscal year because of price rises in the international market triggered by the Gulf crisis, official sources said here Thursday.

A Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation (BPC) source said the Gulf crisis could cost Bangladesh about 400 million dollars in excess to procure its targetted 1.5 million metric tons of petroleum products annually.

"If the oil price further jumps in the world market the cost may go up and force us to cut imports," the source added.

Golam Mohammad Quader, a top BPC official, said it would be very difficult to meet the overcost in purchasing oil due to fund constraints, and the cut maybe necessary even with the current prices.

He said 325 million dollars were budgeted for oil imports this year but because of price rises the bill could exceed 700 million dollars, which was beyond what the company could handle.

The last consignment procured included 100,000 tonnes of crude from Saudi Arabia at 36 dollars per barrel instead of the previous 15 dollars and 20,000 tonnes of finished products from Singapore for 50 dollars per barrel instead of the earlier price of 22 dollars.

Bangladesh obtains most of its requirements from the United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Singapore and, before Iraq's August 2 invasion of the emirate, Kuwait.

BPC sources said they were looking for alternatives if war broke out in the Gulf and have received positive responses from Malaysia and Australia.

Meanwhile, a senior BPC official said the authorities here have undertaken steps to ensure a large scale switch-over to the use of indigenous natural gas in a bid to reduce fuel consumption in the country.

The official, Mr. Satipati (eds: one name) said indigenous natural gas meets 60 percent of Bangladesh's total energy requirement.

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#90291d5960 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (OCT. 18) - Italian unions said on Thursday that they have called on workers throughout industry to strike for two hours on November 9 in support of engineering workers who are set to begin a week-long strike the same day.

The three leading union federations, and unions in various sectors of Italian industry, said the strike was intended to support the engineering workers in their demands for a new employment contract following the breakdown of

negotiations nine months ago.

Engineering workers went on strike on October 5. Subsequently negotiations between unions and employers were resumed, but these have since broken down.

The 1.5 million engineering workers plan to repeat the demonstrations in major towns, including Rome, which marked their last strike.

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#90291d5990 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GOTHENBURG, Sweden (OCT. 18) - The Volvo-Penta company, the marine and industrial-engine subsidiary of the A.B. Volvo company, has won an order worth (85 million krone) 18 million dollars to supply Iran with diesel engines, Volvo announced on Thursday.

The company said that the engines would be delivered as parts for assembly by the Iranian Bonyan Diesel company of Tabriz.

The engines would be used for water-supply systems in the context of the reconstruction of damage caused by the war with Iraq, the company said.

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#90291d6090 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (OCT. 18) - Iraq on Thursday offered to sell its crude oil at 21 dollars per barrel and said prospective clients could pay after a settlement to the Gulf crisis was found.

Iraqi Oil Minister Issam al-Shalabi, in a statement carried by the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) received in Nicosia, said his country was also willing to sell crude oil to the United States.

"Iraq is willing to sell its oil to all firms and buyers, including the United States, at the 21-dollar-mark set by OPEC," Mr. Shalabi said in reference to the price endorsed by the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries at its July conference.

Baghdad, he added, "would accept that money from the sales be paid ... after a settlement to the (Gulf) crisis."

Iraq and Kuwait have been facing a U.N.-imposed trade embargo since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and its subsequent annexation.

The Gulf crisis has forced up the price of oil, with crude selling for more than 40-dollars-a-barrel last week, or more than double its cost before the invasion.

Production increases by Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and other OPEC countries are currently compensating for the loss of around 4.5 million barrels of oil a day from Iraq and Kuwait.

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#90291d6130 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 18) - The volume of cargo to be hauled by the Japanese merchant fleet in the year 2000 will reach 635 million tons, up seven per- cent from 1989, a government advisory group forecast Thursday.

The Council for Transport Policy, an advisory body to the Transport Ministry, made the forecast based on a projection that Japan's seaborne trade volume will increase by 10 percent to 826 million tons by the year 2000.

If the transport operation ratio (volume divided by fleet tonnage) remains unchanged from 1989, the Japanese shipping industry will have to increase its fleet by 6.3 percent from 87.94 million deadweight tons in mid-1989 to 93.45 million deadweight tons, it said.

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#90291d6340 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (OCT. 18) - The first trade fair in South Africa involving an Eastern Bloc country is to be held here next month when a 100-strong Polish trade delegation arrives to display their wares, the Polish Chamber of Commerce said Thursday.

Chamber spokesman Tadeusz Kaminski said in a statement that the fair "emphasises the commitment of our country to open trade with South Africa, which was not possible previously."

He said Poland had realised the "tremendous two-way trade potential between Poland and South Africa ... which is playing a vital part in the economy of other countries in southern Africa".

The trade fair, to be held between November 3 and 18, is being organised in conjunction with the Northern Transvaal Chamber of Industries (NTCI), Mr. Kaminski said.

In a separate statement, NTCI executive director John Toerien said President Frederik de Klerk's political reforms had "facilitated a more relaxed international trade environment" and had made the trade fair possible.

He said more than 45 of the largest import and export organisations in Poland, with combined trade turnover of about 15 billion dollars, will be participating in the fair.

Thursday's announcement follows a 15-day tour of South Africa by two senior Polish officials, including an advisor to Solidarity leader Lech Walesa, which ended on Monday.

Tour organiser Stefan Mathews, director of the independent South African-Polish Chamber of Commerce here, hailed the success of the visit by Wojciech Tomaszweski of the ministry of trade, and Maciej Zalewski, an economic advisor to Mr. Walesa and deputy editor of Solidarity's newspaper.

Not only had he given them the names of 45 chamber members interested in trade but also a firm order for motors for petrol pumps which could be worth three million dollars a year to Poland.

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#90291d6390 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 18) - A spacewalk by two Soviet cosmonauts planned for Friday has been postponed until October 30 because one of them has a snuffle, the Soviet news agency Tass reported Thursday.

Gennady Strekalov, flight engineer of the orbiting space station Mir, caught cold from the air coming out of the ventilating system while running on an exerciser, Tass said. He was getting no special treatment but was taking Vitamin C.

As soon as he was well, he and fellow crew member Gennady Makarov would carry out repair work on the escape hatch of the Quant-2 module, whose failure led to dramatic events during the flight of the previous Mir crew.

Because of the damage, those cosmonauts were forced to spend seven hours working outside their spacecraft, an hour longer than normally permitted.

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#90291d6530 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 18) - The number of people unemployed in Britain rose by 13,300 in September compared with August, and the rate of unemployment was unchanged at 5.8 percent of the workforce, provisional seasonally-adjusted official figures showed on Thursday.

The increase was far lower than had been expected by analaysts who had forecast 25,000.

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#90291d6780 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (OCT. 18) - Retail turnover in East Berlin and the five former states of East Germany slumped an average of 46 percent in September compared with

September 1989, the Berlin statistical office reported Thursday.

It blamed the change on price increases caused by German monetary union on July 1 and the freedom of East Germans, after November 9 1989, to shop in the West, where there was a greater variety of goods, more price competition and a better presentation.

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#90291d6840 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (OCT. 18) - After sending three warships to the Gulf, the Australian government has advised sailors to wear civilian clothes in Sydney for security reasons, Defence Minister Robert Ray said Thursday.

Mr. Ray told parliament in Canberra the decision was not based on domestic considerations but on other "information that I and the navy have available that would be of concern."

Defence officials said the order was based on fears that naval personnel on the Gulf force or their families could be threatened.

When the three Australian ships left for the Gulf in August following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait the navy adopted a policy of not identifying those on board because threats -- unspecified -- existed.

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#90291d6910 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (OCT. 18) - Australia's Commonwealth Bank announced Thursday a five per cent fall in net annual profit to 528.8 million Australian dollars (409 million U.S.) for the year to June 30 after a sharp rise in bad and doubtful debts.

These debts jumped 55 percent to 461.7 million dollars (357 million U.S.) - including write-offs of 363.2 million dollars (281 million U.S.) - as Australia's economic growth slowed.

Gross profit fell 13 percent to 818.3 billion dollars (633 million U.S) in the period.

This is expected to the Commonwealth Bank's last report as a fully-government owned bank, as Canberra intends to float 30 percent of it.

Despite the net profit slide from 555.4 million dollars (429 million U.S.) previously, analysts said the bank held up strongly against the country's economic woes.

But return on average equity, a key indicator of profitability, fell below

expectations to 13.2 percent from 14.6 percent.

Managing Director Don Sanders said that bank had also been hampered by a decline in interest margins.

"I suppose we can say we fell short of aspirations but we believe we achieved a reasonably good result in a difficult year," he said.

Mr. Sanders said there was no timetable for the partial privatisation of the bank, but he hoped the current market weakness would not hamper the proposal.

Group net income increased 11.9 percent in to 3.3 billion dollars (2.6 billion U.S.) as assets expanded by 10.5 percent to 67.03 billion dollars (52 billion U.S.).

The bank's overall provisions for bad and doubtful debts totalled 674.6 million dollars (521 million U.S.) at June 30, compared with 575.8 million dollars (445 million U.S.) a year earlier.

Due to a large extraordinary loss large year, net profit after abnormals rose 11 percent to 531.4 million dollars (411 million U.S.).

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#90291d6930 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (OCT. 18) - President Frederik de Klerk Thursday announced the lifting of the state of emergency in the province of Natal with immediate effect.

Addressing a press conference here, he said that "conditions in Natal had become stabilised to such an extent that the ordinary laws of the land are again sufficient to ... maintain public order, despite continuing sporadic public violence."

The state of emergency, which was imposed on June 12, 1986, was lifted in South Africa's other three provinces in June.

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#90291d7040 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 18) - Malaysia, riding an economic boom spearheaded by its manufacturing sector, is unlikely to drastically change its economic policies no matter who wins this weekend's election, analysts said.

The robust economy is underpinning the bid by Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad's 10-party National Front coalition for a third term in office, with the Front pledging to continue current policies.

Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah, the former trade and finance minister who is heading the five-party Gagasan Rakyat (People's Might) opposition alliance, has not promised any major changes either.

The campaign has featured little debate on the economy of this multiracial country. Projected double-digit growth and a surge of investment could push Malaysia into the ranks of newly industrialised countries.

"There are not going to be drastic changes," said Chandra Muzzafar, chairman of Aliran, a social reform movement.

"The Gagasan Rakyat has a stronger orientation towards social justice and greater concern with distribution of wealth than the National Front, but both are committed to a free market economy."

Neither side's election platform presents voters with stark choices on economic issues, which include the New Economic Policy (NEP) aimed at giving indigenous Malaysians a 30 per cent share of corporate wealth.

The National Front manifesto pledges to "continue its liberal growth policy into the next decade."

This had included relaxing equity requirments on foreign investors in the mid-1980s when the country was in a recession.

Foreign investors had been required to limit their equity holdings to 30 per-cent under the NEP, framed after the 1969 racial riots in which hundreds of people died.

If Malaysia's political stability has often been cited as a major asset for investors, the NEP has been seen as a discouraging factor. The policy expires this year.

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#90291d7130 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 18) - The mysterious disappearance of nearly half a billion dollars from the coffers of a private bank here has led foreign financiers to greater caution in their dealings in Indonesia despite the country's fine economic performance, overseas investors said.

The scandal involving Bank Duta means that Indonesia is now considered a country where operations are seen to be riskier than previously believed, foreign bankers said in interviews over the past week.

"There is no doubt that this incident will lead Indonesia to raise capital at higher rates and that credits to private banks will be fewer and farther between," said the chief executive here of a major European bank.

His comment came less than two weeks after Duta, Indonesia's second biggest private bank, officially announced surprise losses of some 420 million dollars.

The official explanation from Duta, which is known for its close links to the government, is that 18 months of speculation on the currency market resulted in losses of nearly three times its capital, of which 73 per cent is held by non-profit associations led by President Suharto.

The remaining 27 percent are publicly owned.

Foreign bankers are skeptical, but believe the declared losses to be close to the truth and say they are stupefied that Duta can continue to exist.

Indonesian newspapers have reported that three anonymous donors have been beefing up the coffers of Bank Duta, which has been run since October 4 by a temporary executive board headed by Radius Prawiro, coordinating minister for economic, financial and industrial affairs.

All members of the previous board - including Cooperatives Minister Bustanil Arifin, a close confidant of Mr. Suharto - have been forced to resign and Duta's number two, Dicky Iskandar Di Nata, has been arrested.

Many shareholders are threatening legal action and the country's leadership has ordered judicial proceedings into the bank's activities.

"Exchange rates alone cannot account for such a loss," said one European banker. "It is far too huge."

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#90291d7190 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 18) - The dynamic economic development now under way in some Asian countries will further expose the region's heavy dependence on imported energy, oil experts here have warned.

Asian energy demand, in particular for petroleum, would grow fastest in the world in the 1990s, but the region's own oil resources would not be able to keep pace and may in fact decline, oil officials and traders said at a three-day international seminar on energy that ended here Thursday.

The rapid growth in energy demand would not only come from Japan, but from the four newly industrialised countries (NIC) - South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Singapore - and the three aspiring "Asian Tigers" in Southeast Asia: Thailand, Malaysia and Indonesia, the experts said.

Asia's dependence on Gulf oil production, which fell to its lowest in 1985, has started to rise and could reach over 60 percent of consumption by the turn

of the century, exposing the region to the volatility of the Middle East political situation, the officials and traders said.

"The latest development in the Middle East has convinced many in the region that it may be in the best interest of the region to reduce this dependency," Indonesian Mines and Energy Ginanjar Kartasasmita said.

Mr. Ginanjar told the seminar on the Asia-Pacific energy outlook that the answer could come from the vast non-oil resources available in the region, citing coal and natural gas as the two alternatives with the best potential.

He also suggested cooperation among countries in the region on energy matters, particularly on conservation and on exploiting indigenous resources.

A recent study by the Hawaii-based East-West Center showed that about 60 percent of the increase in oil demand between 1990 and 1995 would be absorbed by Asia-Pacific.

"In other words, Asian demand will support rising world oil prices," Fereidun Fesharaki, a member of the centre, told the seminar.

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#90291d7530 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (OCT. 18) - The Bank of Sweden Riksbanken on Thursday increased its discount rate by three points to 17 percent, taking the increase since Friday to five points.

Riksbanken director Bengt Dennis said that "there is great uncertainty on the currency markets" and that he had decided to increase rates to attract foreign currency.

On Friday the bank increased the rate from 12 percent to 14 percent to "brake" the flight of currency abroad.

Figures published on Tuesday showed that 12 billion Swedish krone (2.5 billion dollars) had been transferred abroad within a week, the biggest outflow ever experienced by the bank.

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#90291d7740 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUENSTER, GERMANY (OCT. 18) - The grave of the Egyptian pharaoh Tutankhamen was not originally intended for his burial, a scientist of Muenster university said Thursday.

Egyptologist Marianne Eaton-Krauss made her discovery when she studied inscriptions on the king's sarcophagus in the Valley of the Kings.

On discovering traces of earlier inscriptions that had seemingly been removed to make space for the ones referring to Tutankhamen, she concluded that the sarcophagus had originally been intended for his predecessor and half-brother Semenkhare.

The scientist reckons that Tutankhamen's death at the age of 18 came so unexpectedly that there was not enough time to prepare a royal burial in keeping with tradition.

Instead, it was decided to lay Tutankhamen to rest in a readily available sarcophagus, unused because it had not been finished in time for the burial of Semenkhare. Only the inscriptions needed to be altered in a hurry - but not meticulously enough, it seems.

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#90291d7750 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 18) - Japan announced up to 500 million yen (four million dollars) in aid to China on Thursday to help increase the country's grain output.

The grant will be used to buy fertiliser, chemicals and machinery to boost production of rice and wheat in the central provinces of Hubei and Hunan, the foreign ministry said in a statement.

It was not clear if the grant was part of an 810 billion yen (6.5 billion dollar) aid program to China.

The Japanese government suspended the aid package last year following a bloody crackdown on pro-democracy protestors in Beijing but announced in July that it planned to resume the program.

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#90291d7770 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 18) - Police flew the body of a student activist to his family home in southern Thailand only hours after he died here Thursday to avert possible unrest, police officials said.

The student, 20-year-old Thanawut Klingchua, died in Bangkok's police hospital where he had been rushed Sunday after immolating himself during a rally organized to press demands for the resignation of Prime Minister Chatichai's government.

Police officials had earlier said they had reports that other radical students from Mr. Thanawut's Ramkhamhaeng University, on the outskirts of Bangkok, intended to display his body to stir up further unrest against the government

which has been shaken over the past few months by infighting among ministers.

To avoid trouble, the officials said, the remains of the business administration major were flown in a police aircraft to his family home in Nakhon Si Thammarat province, 770 kilometers (460 miles) south of here.

As this happened, students held what police officials described as a "small rally" at Ramkhamhaeng University, which has been since early this month a hotbed of unrest with repeated demonstrations calling for Mr. Chatichai's resignation and the introduction of "true democracy" in Thailand.

No violence was reported during Thursday's demonstration.

The student protest movement reached a climax with demonstrations Sunday, first at the university and later at Government House, which houses the prime minister's offices.

It was during the demonstration at the university that Mr. Thanawut doused himself with petrol and set himself ablaze.

Shortly after Mr. Thanawut's self-immolation, police broke up another demonstration at Government House during which another student had also threatened to burn himself to death.

The protestors were calling for the resignation of Mr. Chatichai and his seven-party coalition government after months of infighting between members of the cabinet, which has also been tarnished with allegations of corruption and negligence.

Mr. Chatichai said on Monday before departing for a visit to Britain and Switzerland that he did not anticipate trouble for his slightly more than two-year-old administration following the student unrest.

He has repeatedly said that he would neither dissolve Parliament nor resign from his post as leader of Thailand's first democratically elected government in 12 years.

But six Ramkhamhaeng University students, who had been forcibly taken to the Police Hospital on Sunday for psychiatric examination after the demonstration at Government House, have pledged to continue their protests until "genuine democracy" was achieved.

According to police, the student group has been instigated by a shadowy organization identified as the Revolutionary Council.

The Revolutionary Council, headed by Prasert Supsunthorn, former leader of the outlawed Communist Party of Thailand's pro-Beijing wing, made its first appearance on the Thai political scene in 1987.

It wants to turn Thailand into a one-party socialist state.

The powerful Students Federation of Thailand's secretary general Saowanee Jitruen, earlier this week condemned Mr. Thanawut's suicide, describing it as "pathetic".

She also called for prompt police action against those behind the demonstrations.

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#90291d7920 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 18) - A Burmese pro-democracy student group has denied involvement in the Burmese embassy bombing here Wednesday.

The attack prompted a senior Burmese diplomat to urge the Thai government to expel all Burmese dissidents.

The All Burma Students' Democratic Front (ABSDF), based here, said Thursday that the bombing had nothing to do with it.

"The ABSDF respects international laws and the existing law of Thailand, and it is against any kind of terrorist acts," said a spokesman.

The bomb was thrown into the embassy grounds early on Wednesday morning, causing light damage and no injuries. It was the second bomb attack this year on the embassy.

Following the incident, the embassy's First Secretary Tin Htoon called on Thailand to get rid of all Burmese illegal immigrants here, some of whom belong to pro-democracy groups.

The ABSDF claimed the Burmese military government could have been behind the bombing as part of a plot to stop support for dissident groups.

Thousands of Burmese students fled to Thailand after the September 1988 coup in Burma for fear of persecution.

Some have taken refuge in areas along the border which were controlled by minority insurgents fighting Rangoon government forces, but others have come to Bangkok where they have staged a number of demonstrations outside the embassy.

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#90291d7940 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 18) - Japan's Nissan Diesel Motor Co. said here Thursday that it has started production of trucks in China in technological cooperation with

Cummins Engine Co. of the United States.

With engines supplied from the Indiana-based Cummins, Nissan, an affiliate of Japan's second largest carmaker, Nissan Motor Co., is to produce 300 units eight-ton trucks this year in Hubei, company officials said.

Production will increase to 30,000 units a year eventually, the Nissan Diesel officials said.

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#90291d8120 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (OCT. 18) - Afghan guerrillas kept up heavy attacks on security posts in a strategic provincial capital Thursday, forcing the air force to rush reinforcements to defend the city, officials said here.

Troops backed by helicopter gunships and jet fighters were resisting the mujahedeen guerrilla advance in Kalat, the capital of the southeastern province of Zabul bordering Pakistan, a foreign ministry spokesman said.

He said air force helicopters Thursday completed ferrying troop reinforcements arms, ammunition and food to the besieged garrison in Balahissar fort on a mountain peak in Kalat.

"The armed opposition is firing heavy and medium machine guns at security posts around Kalat, but our brave soldiers are resisting," the foreign ministry spokesman said, adding that the fighting continued throughout Thursday.

He did not disclose the strength of the reinforcements or the number of aircraft involved in the operations. It was also not known if any helicopter had been attacked by the guerrillas known to possess anti-aircraft missiles.

Diplomatic sources here said helicopters were operating out of a sprawling U.S.-built airbase in Kanadahar city, about one hour's journey to the battle zone in Kalat.

Residents here in the capital saw intensified helicopter activity. Dozens of Soviet-built MI-8 transport helicopters escorted by MI-35 attack helicopters were seen flying over the city, but it was not immediately clear if they were involved in the operations.

"It is likely that the government sent some aircraft from here, but they would first head for Kandahar and operate under the local command," a military expert here said.

He said aircraft being hit by mujahedeen guerrillas could not be ruled out. The government had to resort to a massive supply by air because convoys sent

by road had been ambushed.

The mujahedeen guerrillas had claimed in Pakistan that they attacked and captured three tanks and seven trucks loaded with weapons and food on their way to Kalat from Kandahar, about 140 kilometres (88 miles) by road.

The foreign ministry spokesman could neither confirm nor deny the guerrilla claim.

Afghanistan's main highway linking at least eight provinces in the west and southwestern part of the country runs throughy Kalat and a fall of the city into mujahedeenh hands could cut off the main supply line to those provinces.

"The government cannot afford to lose Kalat. They will have to defend it at any cost. Otherwise they will have a bigger problem keeping the entire southern region supplied," a diplomat here said.

The foreign ministry spokesman said the troops had inflicted heavy losses on the rebels, but could not give figures

In four days of fighting up to Wednesday, the government had claimed killing at least 120 guerrillas and seriously wounding over 100. The government has not mentioned any of its losses while the guerrillas admit losing only eight men.

The guerrilla onslaught on Kalat, 370 kilometres (230 miles) from Kabul, came after their October 3 success in capturing Tarin Kot, the capital of neighbouring Oruzgan province.

Tarin Kot, which is regarded here as a small town with little strategic importance, fell when the governor there defected to the mujahedeen after three weeks of secret negotiations.

The Kabul regime has blamed the current upsurge of guerrilla activity on the Pakistan military intelligence.

Foreign Minister Abdul Wakil has complained against Pakistan to the United Nations security council and asked for its intervention to stop Pakistan's alleged interference in Afghanistan's internal affairs.

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#90291d8130 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (OCT. 18) - Underground Palestinian leaders Thursday urged Arabs in east Jerusalem to refuse gas masks unless residents of the occupied territories also received them free of charge.

Israel started earlier this month to distribute gas masks and launched the

operation Wednesday in Arab east Jerusalem ahead of supplying the occupied territories, as part of moves to prepare for a possible Iraqi chemical attack.

The safety kits are to be given free of charge except in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, where residents have to pay 40 shekels (20 dollars).

"According to the 4th Geneva Convention, Israel owes protection to all residents of the occupied territories," said the Unified Leadership of the almost three-year-old Palestinian uprising in the territories.

Israeli authorities have said residents of annexed east Jerusalem would receive the masks without charge because they paid taxes like Israeli citizens.

The underground leadership also urged residents of the territories to begin compiling "proof and information" of Israel's repressive measures against Palestinians ahead of the possible arrival of a U.N. fact-finding mission.

The United Nations Security Council last week urged Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to dispatch a team to the territories to investigate the killings of 21 Palestinians in east Jerusalem on October 8.

Israel has refused to meet the mission.

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#90291d8450 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 18) - Japan's non-life insurance firms suffered paper losses amounting to five trillion yen (40 billion dollars) on stock transactions in the six months to September, an industry leader said Thursday.

Marine and Fire Insurance Association of Japan chairman Shunji Kono told a news conference that cumulative gains on stock investments had fallen from 15 trillion yen (120 billion dollars) to 10 trillion yen (80 billion dollars).

The association groups 23 companies.

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#90291d8490 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 18) - The world's largest gold mine, Freegold, returned a substantial increase in profit of 80.2 million rands (31.7 million dollars) in the third quarter from a massive second quarter profit loss of nearly six million dollars, the Anglo American Corporation (AAC) said Thursday.

The increase was largely the result of a 16.7percent rise in revenue from gold sales to 967.8 million rands (382.52 million dollars) which arose from higher gold production and a slightly higher randgold price, AAC Director Lionel Hewitt told a media conference here on Thursday.

Gold production increased by 12.5percent to 29,616 kilogrammes and the rand gold price increased by 3.9percent per to 32,717 rands (12,931 dollars) per kilogram, for the quarter ended September 30 1990.

Working costs were up by 6.6percent in the third quarter to 828.6 million rands (327.5 million dollars) from 777.1 million rands (296.3 million dollars) in the second quarter.

Unit costs decreased by 5.3percent to 27,976 rands (11,057 dollars) per kilogram. This reflected only an 11percent increase over the same period in 1989, the AAC said in a statement.

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#90291d8520 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO (OCT. 18) - Norske Skog, Norway's biggest wood-processing company, on Thursday reported a 731-million-crown (124-million-dollar) profit for the first eight months of 1990, down from 799 million crowns for the same period last year.

Norske Skog director Arnfinn Hofstad said paper production for newspapers is the backbone of the company, accounting for most of the profit. Norske Skog is building a paper plant in France to be operational by the end of 1991.

By far Norway's biggest company in the wood-processing industry, Norske Skog employs 6,600 people. Turnover for the eight months was 6.6 billion crowns (1.1 billion dollars).

Presenting the figures, Hofstad said prospects for paper production are promising and that demand would increase more than production capacity over the next few years.

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#90291d8640 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) - China has purchased 299,750 tons of subsidized U.S. wheat, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced Thursday.

The sale of soft red winter wheat benefited from a 41.38 dollar-per-ton subsidy from the U.S. government's Export Enhancement Program (EEP), the USDA said.

The wheat will be provided by three dealers: Bunge Corp. (150,000 tons), Louis Dreyfus Corp. (100,000) and Tradigrain Inc. (49,750).

Beijing last purchased U.S. wheat in August, involving 247,900 tons, came with an average subsidy of 20.40 dollars per ton.

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#90291d8700 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 18) - China's northeastern Heilongjiang province is to swap 28 cranes for 2,000 tons of cotton from the republic of Uzbekistan in the Soviet Union from November 28, the Workers Daily said Thursday.

The newspaper said the barter agreement, worth some 6.2 million dollars, was signed on October 12 by the Heilongjiang Machine Import-Export Co., the China National Machinery Import-Export Co. and the Equipment Company for the Irrigation of Uzbekistan.

Heilongjiang has already exported 56 cranes to the Soviet Union and agreements between the Harbin crane manufacturer and the Soviet Union almost tripled to 8.2 million dollars this year, against 1989, the paper said.

Border trade between China and the Soviet Union has ballooned since the May 1989 rapprochement between Beijing and Moscow after a 30-year estrangement.

Trade between China and the Soviet Union reached 3.9 billion dollars in 1989.

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#90291d8740 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (OCT 18) - Iraqi First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan arrived here Thursday on a previously unannounced visit to Jordan, official sources said.

The sources said Ramadan was expected to hold talks with Jordanian officials ''on the latest developments in the region.''

Diplomatic sources said he may deliver a message from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to Jordan's King Hussein.

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#90291d8750 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUCHAREST (OCT. 18) - Prime Minister Petre Roman announced "exceptional emergency measures" Thursday to deal with what he called the "disastrous" state of the economy.

The measures include devaluation and convertibility of the currency, privatisation and removal of price controls, he said in a speech to senators, deputies and ministers.

Mr. Roman asked members of parliament to give the government "increased powers" to apply the reforms, and said that the six coming winter months would

amount to "an hour of truth".

The leu would be devalued against the dollar on November 1 and prices would be liberalised "in the short term", he said. Conditions would be appropriate to make lei convertible from January 1.

But the government planned to maintain the prices of energy, fuel and rents at current levels until 1992, the prime minister said.

The state would bear the cost of the difference between the price and cost, which he estimated at 25 billion lei (about 714 million dollars).

He also announced a "slight increase" in the price of basic foodstuffs, but said that the new levels would be maintained for a year.

During this period each Romanian would receive from the state "a fixed, non-taxable compensation". Pay and pensions would be indexed on the rise in prices.

Mr. Roman stressed that there had been a fall off in productivity and said that the government would take legislative steps to motivate workers.

It was planned to remove controls from pay "with a minimum level depending on function, sector and profession".

In Romania unemployment was disguised but there were "officially" 120,000 people unemployed. In 1991 300,000 people with higher education would be unemployed, he said.

To cope with this, the government planned to re-orientate the workforce towards agriculture, contruction and re-training.

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#90291d8800 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 18) - Foreign oprations of Kuwait Petroleum Company (KPC) continue to operate as normally as possible desipte the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq, Kuwaiti Oil Minister Ahida Al-Ameeri said here on Thursday.

He told the annual Oil and Money conference that the KPC was supplying 450,000 barrels per day of oil products refined in European refineries, and obtained from Saudi Arabia and from other Gulf countries.

At the time of the invasion, Kuwait the equivalent of three months' supplies of crude oil in stock or aboard tankers which had allowed time to re-organise supplies, he said.

The minister said that KPC had re-established contact with all of its

customers. Most of the Kuwaiti oil fleet of 60 tankers, with the exception of two tankers, was outside Kuwait at the time of the attack.

The day after the invasion, on the evening of August 3, the London bureau of the KPC had re-established radio contact with all of these vessels.

The fleet was now carrying most of the oil coming from the Gulf and destined for KPC installations.

Regarding the freezing of Kuwaiti assets abroad, he said that "we are still working to un-freeze the last few small accounts and obtain the final licences needed".

Once Kuwait had re-gained its sovereignty "we may face widespread damage and destruction to our Kuwaiti facilities", he said.

"We intend fully to restore all of our crude production refining facilities and crude exporting facilities to at least the level of efficiency and capacity that had been achieved prior to the invasion."

Questioned about excess Kuwaiti output before the invasion, he said that Kuwait had done its best to respect its quota and that "if over-production was a good excuse for invasion, then Iraq would have had to invade 10 more (OPEC) member countries".

Recalling that Kuwait had always favoured a policy of moderate prices and output, the minister said that "the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) was an essential mechanism for the attainment of a consensus with other countries."

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#90291d8810 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 18) - China has offered to sell Pakistan a nuclear reactor, despite Islamabad's refusal to open its nuclear programme to international safeguards, officials said Thursday.

Dr. Hans Blix, Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency (Iaea), said Pakistan had been seeking nuclear technology from a number of sources, but only China had offered to provide it.

Countries that do not sign the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (Npt), he said are restricted from purchasing nuclear technology that could contribute to the development of nuclear weapons.

The Iaea's U.S. envoy said Washington was aware of China's offer but was unaware of any transaction coming out of the offer.

He said the United States had told Pakistan that it would provide it with a U.S. nuclear reactor if it would agree to sign the Npt, which would require regular Iaea inspections of its facilities.

Islamabad apparently refused. The country has said for years that it would not sign the Npt until neighboring India, which exploded a nuclear device in 1974, signs it as well.

Kennedy declined to say how Washington reacted to the news of the Chinese offer, except to say it has consistently urged all nations to try and halt the spread of nuclear arms to the Third World.

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#90291d8860 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 18) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev is to make an official visit to France on October 28-29 and sign a cooperation agreement, an authoritative source said here Thursday.

The source said that during the visit, announced earlier by the government here, Mr. Gorbachev will sign a broad agreement on cooperation in economic, scientific and technical fields, but added that details had yet to be finalised.

Mr. Gorbachev, will arrive in France after an official visit to Spain.

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#90291d8920 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (OCT. 18) - The Japanese government has provided over 3 million rand (1.14 million dollars) to alleviate food shortages in Namibia, the South African news agency SAPA said Thursday.

The money, according to SAPA, will be used to buy maize from Zimbabwe.

This first bilateral agreement between the two countries was signed here Thursday by Japan's charge d'affaires, Yukio Rokujo, and the director-general of Namibia's National Planning Commission, Zed Ngavirue.

Mr. Tokujo said Namibia's independence six months ago had stimulated in the international community "a growing hope for and belief in the future of the whole southern African region".

"The government and the people of Japan share this optimism," he said.

Namibia will "become an integral and positive factor in the new era of peace and understanding, economic progress and social development that is dawning for the region," Mr. Rokujo said.

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#90291d8950 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
London (OCT. 18) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1.351,00 (1.319,10) 1.333,50 (1.306,50)
Lead 380,50 (379,00) 385,50 (382,50)
Zinc Sh 1.364,00 (1.333,50) 1.361,00 (1.338.00)
Tin 6.160,00 (6.205,00) 6.175,00 (6.215,00)
Aluminium 2.020,00 (1.965,50) 1.843,50 (1.832,00)
Nickel 8.675,00 (8.875,00) 8.449,50 (8.662,50)
(Last three in Super Highgrade)

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#90291d9020 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (OCT 18) - Kuwait Airways took to the skies again Thursday with its first regular flight since the Iraqi invasion of the emirate, the company said at its provisional headquarters in the Egyptian capital.

A Boeing 727 in the company's blue-and-white colours took off with 35 passengers on board bound for Jeddah in Saudi Arabia, from where it was to fly on to Bahrain and finally Dubai in the United Arab Emirates.

Another Kuwaiti plane was to leave Cairo later Friday for Bahrain.

Iraq seized 15 of the company's 23 aircraft in the August 2 invasion and has since incorporated them into its own national carrier, Iraqi Airways.

Company officials have said Kuwait Airways aims to restore its network of regular flights gradually and is seeking 692 million dollars from insurers for the loss of the bulk of its fleet.

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#90291d9080 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT 18) - North Korea is refusing to open its nuclear facilities to International Atomic Energy Agency (Iaea) safeguards because of a dispute with the United States, senior officials disclosed Thursday.

The agency's chief official, Dr. Hans Blix, said Pyongyang had been unable to reach a consensus over Iaea safeguards because of ''technical'' disagreements with Washington.

Blix said the North Korean government, which signed the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty in 1985, has insisted that it be provided with ''guarantees'' that it could not become the target of a U.S. nuclear attack.

South Korea, a close U.S. ally which has hosted thousands of American troops since the close of the Korean War, has one of the largest nuclear power programmes in the developing world.

Ambassador Richard Kennedy, the State Department's special adviser on nuclear affairs, said Washington has made it clear to Pyongyang that it will neither confirm nor deny the presence of U.S. nuclear weapons in South Korea.

Last April, Pentagon official Henry Rowen told reporters that Washington had reason to believe North Korea was working on a facility to enrich plutonium in preparation for the production of nuclear arms.

He said the development was troubling as it could fuel a nuclear arms race on the Korean peninsula.

According to official U.S. sources, North Korea has had a nuclear reactor since 1984 in Yongbyong, north of the capital of Pyongyong, but has so far refused to allow Iaea inspections there.

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#90291d9580 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) - A united Nations expert said Thursday that Jordan needs the help of other nations to survive economically the Gulf crisis, ignited by the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Jean Ripert, who was in Jordan to assess the situation there, said the Hashemite kingdom was suffering the most from the U.N.-imposed blockade of Iraq.

The government in Amman was doing everything possible to abide by U.N. embargo and other nations must see that Jordan receives financial aid, he added. Promises were made but nothing has reached Jordan yet.

Ripert said the country would lose one billion dollars by the end of this year because of the Gulf crisis and four billion dollars in 1991. As an example, the U.N. expert pointed out to the tourism sector which had almost come to a standstill since August 2.

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#90291d9600 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT 18) - The compromise economic reform worked out by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev was approved by the committees of the Supreme

Soviet on Thursday.

Then plan, which maps out the country's transformation from a state-run to a market economy, is thus virtually assured of adoption by the Soviet parliament on Friday despite massive criticism by radical reformers.

Abel Aganbegyan, Gorbachev's economic advisor, defended the programme, saying it would allow the country's constituent republics individual paths toward a market economy.

The four-stage plan, called ''Main Guidelines for the Stabilisation of the National Economy and for the Transition to a Market Economy, is a compromise between a radical ''500-day'' programme authored by economist Stanislav Shatalin and a more moderate plan backed by Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov.

Boris Yelzin, president of the Russian Republic, has rejected the programme. Russia has already approved the more radical plan.

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#90291d9900 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGDAD (OCT 18) - Iraq decided Thursday to impose restrictions on access to medicines because of the international trade embargo imposed after the invasion of Kuwait.

The health ministry said 15 "vital" medicines would now be available only at state-run hospitals and pharmacies on presentation of a card certified by medical authorities.

The ministry said the medicines would no longer be available at private pharmacies, but he did not name the products in question.

Health Minister Abdessalem Mohammad Saeed, in a recent interview with U.S. television, said he held the United States responsible for what he called the shortage of medicine in Iraq.

Iraq started in early September to ration nine basic foodstuffs.

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#90291d9970 10/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (OCT 18) - South Africa's white supremacist Conservative Party (CP), which can partake fully in democracy, was now "grabbing the weapons of anarchy", President Frederik de Klerk said here Thursday.

Opening the Transvaal congress of the ruling National Party (NP), where a small group of rightwingers were escorted out by police, Mr. De Klerk described

the radicalising of "certain elements" in white politics as a problem that needed immediate attention.

"It is almost tragic that while the ANC is busy to slowly move away from radicalism the CP and other rightwing splinter groups are becoming more radical," he said.

"Boycotts, civil disobedience, disruption and even violence at meetings" was until recently been the political weapons of radical black organisations and movements, Mr. De Klerk said, but "now we find the leader of the CP is becoming a planner of such actions".

"I want to say that the complicity of the CP leadership in the planning of unlawful strategies is absolutely unacceptable."

Support from the CP, the official opposition, for boycotts, civil disobedience and disruption of order at public meetings, "militates against all the values which all reasonable people would like to preserve in the new South Africa," Mr. De Klerk said.

While accusing CP supporters of creating bitterness, he commended the white liberal Democratic Party for standing down in a forthcoming by-election in the Randburg constituency near Johannesburg, and making an "important contribution towards future discussions on the subject of closer co-operation". He said that in little more than a year "great strides" had been taken towards the NP's goal of a new and just South Africa.

"All reasonable observers are now convinced of our party's sincerity and dedication of the irreversibility of our commitment... and the irreversibility of a process towards fundamental change," he said.

"We stand on the threshold of real negotiations. Support for reconciliation through negotiation is growing by the day and the violent ones are standing naked before the eyes of the public and the international community."

There was still, however, "much too much war talk" from certain extra-parliamentary movements, he said, and a still unacceptably high level of violence, intimidation, boycotts and unnecessary demonstrations which "bedevil the atmosphere for peaceful negotiations".

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#90291f1850 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Thursday 344.76 up 10.22.

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#90291f1851 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (OCT. 18) UPI - Wheat futures were higher but prices on the rest of the floor were mostly lower at the close Thursday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

China was in the market for another 450,000 tons of wheat after buying 300,000 tons late Wednesday. Commercials and professionals were featured buyers of wheat, although the volume was relatively light.

Corn and soybean prices were at or near session lows at the final bell, pressured by profit-taking and liquidation. The early rally in corn and soybeans was based on weather-related harvest delays, but the market turned lower as buying interest faded.

A storm system that moved across the Midwest interrupted the corn and soybean harvest, but farmers were expected to resume the corn harvest by Friday or at least the weekend.

Forecasters predicted warmer weather during the weekend with the chance of more rain Saturday night and Sunday.

In addition to the export sales to China, the Soviet Union bought 350,000 tons of corn and Taiwan bought small amounts of corn and soybeans.

At the close, corn was off 3/4 to 1 3/4, soybeans down 1 to 4 1/4, wheat unchanged to up 1 1/2 and oats unchanged to off 1/4.

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#90291h0027 10/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
ISLAMABAD (OCT. 18) XINHUA - A MULTI-NATIONAL OBSERVERS TEAM IS ARRIVING HERE TODAY TO WITNESS THE FORTHCOMING GENERAL ELECTIONS IN PAKISTAN.

LOCAL PRESS REPORTS SAID TODAY THAT THE TEAM COMPRISES 40 MEMBERS, 20 FROM THE UNITED STATES AND THE REST FROM ABOUT A DOZEN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD.

THIS MULTI-NATIONAL TEAM IS PARTIALLY PAID AND ORGANIZED BY THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTE OF THE UNITED STATES, THE REPORTS SAID.

THE REPORTS SAID THAT THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN AND THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WILL BE HANDLING THE TEAM AND WILL PROVIDE NECESSARY FACILITIES REQUIRED FOR THE PURPOSE.

TWO MORE SUCH MISSIONS ARE ALSO EXPECTED TO VISIT PAKISTAN TO WATCH THE POLLING PROCESS. ONE TEAM IS EXPECTED FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM AND ANOTHER FROM THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY.

DURING THEIR STAY IN PAKISTAN, THESE TEAMS WILL OBSERVE THE ELECTIONS AND FORM AN OPINION ABOUT THE PROCESS AND IDENTIFY THAT NO MAJOR POLITICAL LEADER IS DENIED PARTICIPATION IN THE ELECTIONS AND NO POLITICAL PARTY IS COMPELLED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO REMAIN OUT OF THE ARENA, THE REPORTS SAID.

PAKISTAN PRESIDENT ISHAQ KHAN DISSOLVED THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND DISMISSED PRIME MINISTER BENAZIR BHUTTO ON AUGUST 6 ON CHARGES OF CORRUPTION, INCOMPETENCE AND NEPOTISM. AND HE PROMISED THAT GENERAL ELECTIONS WOULD BE HELD ON OCTOBER 24.

THE SUDDEN MOVE OF THE PAKISTAN PRESIDENT HAS DRAWN GREAT ATTENTION OF THE WORLD ESPECIALLY THE UNITED STATES WHO HAS BEEN SUPPORTING PAKISTAN ECONOMICALLY, MILITARILY AND DIPLOMATICALLY FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS OVER THE ISSUE OF AFGHANISTAN.

THE UNITED STATES HAS STOPPED ITS AID TO PAKISTAN APPARENTLY PRESSURIZING FOR A SO-CALLED FAIR AND FREE ELECTIONS IN WHICH FORMER PRIME MINISTER BENAZIR BHUTTO SHOULD NOT BE DISQUALIFIED ON CHARGES OF MISUSE OF POWER DURING HER 20-MONTH RULE.

THE U.S. MOVE HAS INVITED STRONG CRITICISM FROM PAKISTANI POLITICIANS, WHO DESCRIBED IT AS BLATANT INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THEIR COUNTRY.

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#90291h0054 10/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CHANGCHUN (OCT. 18) XINHUA - THE NEW SI-HUN HIGHWAY, WHICH LINKS SIPING TO HUNJIANG CITY, IN NORTHEAST CHINA'S JILIN PROVINCE BECAME OPERATIONAL RECENTLY.

THE NEW 330 KM HIGHWAY IS ONE OF THE STATE'S 27 KEY HIGHWAY PROJECTS. THE OLD ROUTE FROM THE PROVINCIAL CITY OF CHANGCHUN TO SIPING REQUIRED TEN HOURS, HOWEVER, THE NEW HIGHWAY HAS SHORTENED THE TIME TO SIX HOURS.

LOCAL OFFICIALS TOLD XINHUA THAT THE NEW HIGHWAY WILL BE HELPFUL FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF THE REGION'S MINERAL AND FORESTRY RESOURCES. IN ADDITION, THE HIGHWAY WILL HELP TO PROMOTE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LOCAL ECONOMY AND CULTURE.

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#90291h0068 10/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 18) XINHUA - INDIA EXPECTS TO REACH A NEW HIGH IN EXPORTING RAW COTTON DURING THE CURRENT YEAR, WITH EARNINGS FROM THE EXPORT PROJECTED TO NET ABOUT 10 BILLION RUPEES (588 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) AS AGAINST 7 BILLION RUPEES (411 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) EARNED LAST YEAR.

THIS IS POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF THE BETTER COTTON CROP. ACCORDING TO SOURCES FROM THE NORTHERN INDIA COTTON GROWERS' ASSOCIATION, THE TOTAL PRODUCTION OF COTTON

THIS YEAR IS LIKELY TO BE BETWEEN 15 AND 15.3 MILLION BALES. THE DOMESTIC REQUIREMENT IS NOT GOING TO BE HIGHER THAN 11.2 MILLION BALES.

IN FACT, THE THREE STATES OF PUNJAB, HARYANA AND RAJASTHAN ALONE ARE IN A POSITION TO CONTRIBUTE 5.5 MILLION BALES TO THE NATIONAL POOL FOR DOMESTIC USE AND EXPORT. AMONG THEM PUNJAB IS LIKELY TO PRODUCE AROUND 2.8 MILLION BALES.

NEARLY 96 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL COTTON PRODUCED BY PUNJAB AND HARYANA COVERED BY THE WORLD BANK-AIDED INTENSIVE COTTON DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IS LONG AND MEDIUM STAPLE, POPULARLY KNOWN AS AMERICAN COTTON. THIS COTTON IS LIKELY TO FIND BETTER ACCEPTABILITY ON THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET, ESPECIALLY IN EAST EUROPE.

MOREOVER, THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT'S DECISION TO START EXPORT OF COTTON FROM OCTOBER HAS GONE DOWN WITH THE FARMERS. THE DECISION REGARDING COTTON EXPORTS USED TO BE TAKEN TOWARDS THE CLOSE OF THE PICKING SEASON. BY THEN, ALMOST THE ENTIRE COTTON WOULD BE PURCHASED FROM THE FARMERS AND STOCKED BY THE TRADERS FOR RESALE AT HIGHER RATES.

THE NEW DECISION OF ORDERING THE EXPORT OF COTTON IN THE BEGINNING OF THE PICKING SEASON SO THAT THE BENEFIT OF HIGHER PRICES GOES DIRECTLY TO THE GROWERS WILL ENSURE THE PRICES OF COTTON MORE COMPETITIVE IN THE WORLD MARKET.

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#90291h0092 10/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TIANJIN (OCT. 18) XINHUA - THE CHINA PATENT OFFICE HAS GRANTED 44,000 PATENTS TO DOMESTIC INVENTORS IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS, ACCORDING TO A NATIONAL MEETING HERE.

OFFICIALS OF THE CHINA ASSOCIATION OF INVENTIONS SAID THAT THE ASSOCIATION, FOUNDED IN OCTOBER 1985, HAS ORGANIZED FIVE NATIONAL INVENTION EXHIBITIONS IN BEIJING, CHANGCHUN, WUHAN AND CHENGDU; THE FIFTH IS NOW IN SESSION IN TIANJIN.

THE PREVIOUS EXHIBITIONS PRESENTED 3,613 INVENTIONS. AT THE CURRENT EXHIBITION 1,139 INVENTIONS SELECTED FROM 40 PROVINCES, AUTONOMOUS REGIONS AND KEY CITIES ARE ON SHOW.

IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS CHINA HAS ALSO ATTENDED 12 INTERNATIONAL INVENTIONS FAIRS IN SWITZERLAND, FRANCE, YUGOSLAVIA, CANADA, MALAYSIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES AND WON 170 MEDALS AND PRIZES.

AT THE SAME TIME, A GROWING NUMBER OF INVENTIONS HAVE BEEN APPLIED TO PRODUCTION. FOR EXAMPLE, AT THE FOURTH NATIONAL INVENTIONS EXHIBITION, CONTRACTS WORTH 230 MILLION YUAN WERE CONCLUDED ON TECHNOLOGICAL TRADE, COMPARED TO EIGHT MILLION YUAN-WORTH AT THE FIRST EXHIBITION. AT THE CURRENT EXHIBITION, WHICH OPENED OCTOBER 11, TECHNOLOGICAL TRADING IS SAID TO HAVE REACHED 370 MILLION YUAN.

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#90291h0136 10/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
ATHENS (OCT. 18) XINHUA - GREECE'S FRIGATE "LIMNOS" WHICH JOINED THE MULTINATIONAL NAVAL FORCE IN THE GULF TWO MONTHS AGO WILL BE REPLACED BY THE FRIGATE "ELLI", THE GREEK NATIONAL DEFENSE MINISTRY ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID THE FRIGATE "LIMNOS" WOULD RETURN TO GREECE IN EARLY NOVEMBER.

THE LIMNOS WAS CONTINUING TO PATROL THE AREA OF THE RED SEA WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL DECISIONS, THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID.

SO FAR, THE LIMNOS HAD CARRIED OUT INSPECTIONS OF 17 VESSELS, THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID.

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#90291h0145 10/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
CAIRO (OCT. 18) XINHUA - QATAR HAS DECIDED TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH HUNGARY AT THE AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL, REPORTS FROM DOHA SAID TODAY.

THE DECISION WAS ANNOUNCE TODAY IN DOHA, CAPITAL OF QATAR. IT WAS THE LATEST IN A FLURRY OF DIPLOMATIC EXCHANGES BETWEEN GARICH GULF COUNTRIES AND EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES SINCE THE GULF CRISIS WAS TRIGGERED BY IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

IN RECENT DAYS, QATAR HAS ALSO ESTABLISHED RELATIONS WITH CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND BULGARIA, AND OMAN AND BAHRAIN DID SO WITH CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

LAST MONTH, S PBIA RESTORED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION. BAHRAIN FOLLOWED SUIT IN A FEW DAYS.

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#90291k0014 10/18/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
SINGAPORE, (OCT. 18) KYODO - NIPPON MINING CO.'S SINGAPORE SUBSIDIARY WILL COMMISSION LOCAL OIL FIRMS TO REFINE CRUDE OIL FOR ITS PARENT COMPANY, A MAJOR FINANCIAL DAILY SAID THURSDAY.

NIPPON MINING, A LEADING JAPANESE NONFERROUS METAL MINING COMPANY AND PETROLEUM REFINER, SET UP A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY IN SINGAPORE LATE SEPTEMBER TO BUY CRUDE OIL AND OIL PRODUCTS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, THE BUSINESS TIMES SAID.

ACCORDING TO A SPOKESMAN FOR NIPPON MINING, THE MOVE WAS PROMPTED BY AN

EXPECTED SHORTAGE OF OIL PRODUCTS IN JAPAN CAUSED BY THE GULF CRISIS, THE DAILY SAID.

THE COMPANY ALSO SAID THE EXPANSION OF ITS PETROCHEMICAL DEPARTMENT HAS INCREASED DEMAND FOR NAPTHA AND OTHER OIL PRODUCTS.

THE DAILY REPORTED THAT THE NIPPON MINING SUBSIDIARY, CAPITALIZED AT 1 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS, HAS APPLIED FOR MEMBERSHIP TO THE SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY EXCHANGE (SIMEX) TO PARTICIPATE IN OIL FUTURES TRADING.

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#90291k0026 10/18/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 18) KYODO - THE AVERAGE PRICE OF KEROSENE DELIVERED TO HOMES IN SEPTEMBER ROSE 21.5 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 49.94 YEN PER LITER, THE LARGEST YEAR-ON-YEAR UPSWING SINCE NOVEMBER 1980, THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) SAID THURSDAY.

THE SEPTEMBER PRICE WAS THE HIGHEST SINCE NOVEMBER 1986, WHEN DELIVERED KEROSENE COST AN AVERAGE 50.78 YEN PER LITER, MITI OFFICIALS SAID.

THURSDAY'S ANNOUNCEMENT WAS BASED ON A SURVEY BEGUN BEFORE SEPTEMBER 17, WHEN MAJOR OIL WHOLESALERS ANNOUNCED PRICE HIKES, SO IT DOES NOT REFLECT THE WHOLE EFFECT OF THOSE INCREASES, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

MAJOR WHOLESALERS RAISED THE PRICES OF OIL PRODUCTS BY 8.0 YEN TO 9.2 YEN PER LITER FOLLOWING THE ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE SEPTEMBER AVERAGE PRICE REPRESENTS A 10.7 PERCENT CLIMB FROM MARCH, THE LAST MONTH OF THE 1989-1990 WINTER SEASON, THE SURVEY SAID.

THE PRICE OF LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS (LPG) IN SEPTEMBER WAS 478.2 YEN PER CUBIC METER, UP 5.5 PERCENT FROM THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR, AND 0.6 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH.

LPG PRICE HIKES ON OCTOBER 1 ARE NOT REFLECTED IN THIS FIGURE, THE OFFICIALS NOTED.

ANOTHER MITI OFFICIAL SAID, ''THE KEROSENE PRICE WILL POST ANOTHER SHARP YEAR-ON-YEAR RISE IN OCOTOBER, AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO IN THE FOLLOWING MONTHS.''

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#90291k0070 10/18/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (OCT. 18) KYODO - OMRON CORP., A MAJOR MANUFACTURER OF CONTROL COMPONENTS, SAID THURSDAY IT HAS SET UP A MARKETING SUBSIDIARY ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA.

THE SUBSIDIARY, NAMED OMRON BUSINESS SYSTEMS, WILL BEGIN DISTRIBUTION OF COMPUTER TERMINALS ON FRIDAY, WITH ANNUAL SALES TARGETED AT 1.8 MILLION MALAYSIAN DOLLARS IN THE FIRST YEAR.

SO FAR, THE KYOTO-BASED COMPANY HAS DEPENDED ON A LOCAL AGENCY FOR ALL THE SALES OF ITS PRODUCTS.

THE 1 MILLION MALAYSIAN DOLLAR COMPANY WILL BE FINANCED BY OMRON BUSINESS SYSTEMS SINGAPORE, IN CHARGE OF SALES OF SUCH TERMINALS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA.

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#90291k0074 10/18/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 18) KYODO - KYOWA HAKKO KOGYO CO. SAID THURSDAY IT WILL SELL AN EXCLUSIVE RIGHT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND SALE IN EUROPE OF BENIGIPINE, A MEDICINE FOR HYPERTENSION AND ANGINA, TO KALI CHEMIE AG, A GERMAN PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY.

BENIGIPINE, DEVELOPED BY KYOWA HAKKO, IS NOW UNDER EXAMINATION BY THE HEALTH AND WELFARE MINISTRY, AND IS EXPECTED TO BE PUT ON THE MARKET IN 1992, WITH ANNUAL SALES ESTIMATED AT 20 BILLION YEN.

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#90291k0109 10/18/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

DHAKA (OCT 18.) KYODO - BANGLADESH WILL REOPEN ITS DIRECT AIR LINK WITH JAPAN WITHIN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AFTER A LAPSE OF NEARLY A DECADE, THE NATIONAL CARRIER BIMAN ANNOUNCED THURSDAY.

BIMAN WILL START OPERATING FLIGHTS TO JAPAN FROM NOVEMBER 1, WITH TOKYO BEING THE COMPANY'S 26TH INTERNATIONAL DESTINATION.

TO THE INITIAL WEEKLY FLIGHT TO NARITA AIRPORT, BIMAN EXPECTS TO ADD ANOTHER FLIGHT TO NAGOYA, VIA BANGKOK, BY JANUARY.

THE AIRLINE'S PREVIOUS WEEKLY FLIGHT TO JAPAN WAS SUSPENDED IN 1981 DUE "MAINLY TO POOR ECONOMIC RETURNS," BUT BIMAN IS HOPEFUL THAT WITH A POWERFUL YEN AND A GROWING TRAVEL TREND AMONG THE JAPANESE THE RENEWED FLIGHT WILL BE ECONOMICALLY SUCCESSFUL.

A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE RESUMPTION OF FLIGHTS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, SIGNED IN APRIL, ALSO PROVIDED FOR AN INCREASE IN FLIGHT FREQUENCY FROM ONE TO TWO PER WEEK AND FOR OPERATION OF WIDE-BODIED AIRCRAFT IN PLACE OF THE BOEING 707S USED EARLIER.

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#90291k0110 10/18/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (OCT. 18) KYODO - MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO. ANNOUNCED THURSDAY THAT IT HAS DEVELOPED TWO 64-BIT DESKTOP WORKSTATIONS -- THE WORLD'S FIRST OF THEIR KIND -- JOINTLY WITH ITS U.S. SUBSIDIARY, SOLBOURNE COMPUTER INC. OF LONGMONT, COLORADO.

EFFICIENT COST PERFORMANCE IS THE PRIMARY FEATURE OF THE TWO MODELS, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

BOTH THE SOLBOURNE SPARC S3000 WORKSTATION AND SOLBOURNE SPARC S4000 WORKSTATION, USE THE SAME ''REVOLUTIONARY'' NEW MICROPROCESSOR, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE MICROPROCESSOR (MN10501) -- A 64-BIT TYPE -- WAS DEVELOPED AND DESIGNED JOINTLY BY MATSUSHITA AND SOLBOURNE, BASED ON SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC.'S SPARC (SCARABLE PROCESSOR ARCHITECTURE) SPECIFICATIONS. THE MN10501, OF THE REDUCED INSTRUCTIONS SET COMPUTER (RISC) TYPE, FEATURES RAPID SPEED PROCESSING.

OFFICIALS SAID THE NEW SMALL CENTRAL PROCESSING UNIT PERFORMS A NUMBER OF FUNCTIONS, RESULTING IN THE USE OF FEWER PARTS AND INCREASED RELIABILITY AND SERVICEABILITY. THIS HAS MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR THE WORKSTATIONS TO BE MADE ALMOST AS COMPACT AS A PERSONAL COMPUTER AS WELL AS CUT COSTS, THEY SAID.

SOLBOURNE S3000 IS A COMPACT DESKTOP MODEL WITH A PLASMA DISPLAY. IT IS INTENDED FOR USE BY SOFTWARE ENGINEERS IN JAPAN AND WILL BE MANUFACTURED IN THE UNITED STATES. THIS MODEL WILL GO ON SALE NEXT FEBRUARY UNDER THE SOLBOURNE BRAND FOR 1.98 MILLION YEN.

SOLBOURNE S4000 IS A HIGHER-SPEED, HIGHER-FUNCTION MODEL, SUITED FOR ENGINEERING AND SIMULATION. IT WILL BE MANUFACTURED IN THE U.S.

THIS MODEL COMES IN BOTH BLACK AND WHITE AND OTHER COLORS AND WILL GO ON SALE IN THE U.S. IN DECEMBER, AND IN JAPAN NEXT FEBRUARY UNDER THE SOLBOURNE BRAND. IT WILL BE PRICED AT 1.86-2.29 MILLION YEN.

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#90291k0118 10/18/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) KYODO - THE CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS PLANS TO SEND TO A U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE A RESOLUTION SEEKING THE RESIGNATION OF JAPANESE JUSTICE MINISTER SEIROKU KAJIYAMA, A SPOKESWOMAN SAID THURSDAY.

BLACK CAUCUS SPOKESWOMAN AMELIA PARKER SAID THE GROUP HAS NOT WITHDRAWN THE RESOLUTION DESPITE A REQUEST FROM JAPANESE AMBASSADOR RYOHEI MURATA TO DO SO.

THE RESOLUTION URGES PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH TO REQUEST THAT KAJIYAMA RESIGN OVER HIS DEROGATORY REMARKS ABOUT BLACK AMERICANS.

"IT'S ON TRACK," PARKER SAID, ADDING THE HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ON ASIAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS WILL ACT ON THE RESOLUTION WITHIN THIS WEEK AND SEND IT TO THE HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

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#90291k0147 10/18/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 18) KYODO - JAPAN AND MEXICO ENDED AVIATION TALKS IN MEXICO CITY ON WEDNESDAY WITH TOKYO AGREEING TO ALLOW A MEXICAN AIRLINE TO RUN REGULAR FLIGHTS TO SAPPORO, HOKKAIDO, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SAID THURSDAY.

THE NEW ROUTE WAS GRANTED TO PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL AIRWAYS, BUT THE MEXICAN AIRLINE REPORTEDLY HAS NO PLANS TO LAUNCH SUCH FLIGHTS AT PRESENT, THEY SAID.

JAPAN AIRLINES CURRENTLY OPERATES TWO RETURN FLIGHTS BETWEEN TOKYO AND MEXICO EACH WEEK.

NO MEXICAN AIRLINES OPERATE FLIGHTS TO TOKYO DUE TO CONGESTION AT THE TOKYO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN NARITA, CHIBA PREFECTURE, ALTHOUGH THEY ARE AUTHORIZED TO OPEN SUCH A SERVICE.

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#90291m0001 10/18/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 18) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The LABOR DEPARTMENT reports that the September consumer price index 0.8%. A sharp, energy related rise of 0.9% was anticipated. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT report on the August merchandise trade data shows that exports rose 1.6% and imports rose 1.8%. The overall trade deficit for August was $9.34 billion. Analysts expected the trade deficit to remain unchanged at $9.3 billion. ... Bonds firm and the dollar holds steady following the release of this data. Stocks are expected to open mixed this morning.

The Nikkei is up 508 points. ... The London FTSE is little changed at midday. ... The dollar continues to fall against the yen. ... Bond prices are little changed with the long Treasury yielding 8.88%. ... North Sea crude is off another 95 cents. ... White House Chief of Staff JOHN SUNUNU says that PRESIDENT BUSH might be willing to keep the government funded beyond an October 19 midnight deadline if a little more time was needed to reach a budget agreement. ... The CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE directors voted to double the number of grain and soybean futures contracts speculators can hold. Critics say the move will cause greater price volatility. ... MCI posts a $176 million third-quarter loss after taking a $550 million charge tied to upgrading its

phone network. ... COCA-COLA's profit increased 9.1% in the third quarter driven by strong volume in international markets.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The LABOR DEPARTMENT is scheduled to release the September real earnings at 10 a.m. EDT. ... The Senate continues to debate the budget bill today. ... FED GOVERNOR JOHN LAWARE addresses the CONSUMER BANKERS ASSOCIATION on community reinvestment. ... The House Joint Economic Committee holds hearings on Japan's economic challenge to the U.S. ... SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER testifies before the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee on the Gulf crisis. ... AT&T and a Japanese company announce plans to lay a Pacific Ocean cable that could carry up to 600,000 telephone calls simultaneously -- eight times the capacity of the most advanced cable now in use.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I think the market is poised to rally significantly," says RALPH BLAIR, partner on the institutional trading desk at MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. He cites the huge short interest in many stocks. (WSJ, 10/18)

"The market's trying to make a low," says PETER CANELO, investment strategist for BEAR, STEARNS & COMPANY. "It's testing the lows of late September. But having just made a new low last week, it's not going to run away. Fundamentally, there's good reason to think the market will test that low successfully -- and head higher over the next several weeks." Also on a positive note, Mr. Canelo says "bond yields are coming down" which implies that investors will be less likely to move money out of stocks and into bonds. (NYT, 10/18)

FROM THE BEARS:

"Stocks are still in a bear market," says JOSEPH GRANVILLE, editor of "The Granville Market Letter." "I don't expect a tradeable bottom until the Dow gets to 2100." Granville says this is "a serious bear market, and we are about halfway through it." ("Investor's Daily", 10/18)

ROBERT RITTER, technical analyst at LADENBURG THALMANN, says the stock market isn't likely to mount a strong advance without lower interest rates. "The market needs the Fed and the Fed simply can't come in here." Noting that the stock market virtually ignored the plunge of more than $2 in the price of a barrel of oil, Mr. Ritter warns against entertaining false hopes of a recovery soon. "Things seem to be getting more complicated." (WSJ, 10/18)

With the transports and industrials falling, "the Dow theory is currently in a sell mode," according to ROBERT STOVALL of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. (CNN "Moneyline", 10/17)

STOCK MARKET:

"There is a fire sale going on in the U.S. equity market," says GLENN CUTLER at "Market Mania." Despite the most negative atmosphere since 1973-74, stocks remain in a massive liquidation which should take the Dow down to at least 2250, according to Cutler. "All indications are that we must be nearing the end." But Cutler says stocks will still require a lengthy base building process. (CNBC "World Business", 10/17)

"We're seeing extreme volatility because of a lack of depth to the stock market," says BARRY SCHRAGER, a money manager with WHETHER PARTNERS in Eaton, N.J. "The rallies we've seen recently are more the result of sellers stepping back. It's not buyers going in." (WSJ, 10/18)

"I think people still want to see a resolution on the budget. They still need to see some kind of long term stability in terms of the price and availability of oil," says RONALD HILL of BROWN BROTHERS HARRIMAN. "Until you have that, people will have these little rallies, but it remains a difficult environment for extending stock market gains." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/17)

RICKY HARRINGTON, investment policy director at MARION BASS SECURITIES in Charlotte, N.C. says the rally attempt in stocks "wasn't any different from any other since July 16 and 17 when we hit the top." "It's in the handful of blue chip stocks that a handful of institutions continue to buy. The broad market continues to remain under pressure." (WSJ, 10/18)

"What we had was a rally in a handful of Dow stocks," says HILDEGARD ZAGORSKI of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. Despite a decline in oil prices, "the market was unable to make any headway because of the budget problem, weakness in financial stocks and some poor earnings." ("Investor's Daily", 10/18)

"The market took some notice [of lower oil prices], but not as much as you might expect," says BRIAN FABBRI of MIDLAND MONTAGU. If no budget agreement is reached and PRESIDENT BUSH shuts down the government, "it will probably boost yields and reduce stock prices again, and indeed, drop the value of the dollar." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/17)

"All you see and hear is bickering at the top, and the media talking about lack of leadership," says TRUDE LATIMER, market strategist at JESUP JOSEPHTHAL. Ms. Latimer says she has seen improvement in investor psychology that could turn into buying if the market starts moving higher. "Any good news might be greeted very enthusiastically." (WSJ, 10/18)

STOCK TIPS:

WARREN SHAW, managing director in charge of $5.2 billion in stock investments

at CHANCELLOR CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC., says that investors should look for companies that are less dependent on the financial system as a source of credit and capital. He suggests investors examine stocks such as GENERAL MILLS, PROCTER & GAMBLE, RALSTON PURINA, COCA-COLA, PEPSICO, PHILIP MORRIS and UST. (WSJ, 10/18)

Surges in overseas sales boosted earnings at PHILIP MORRIS and COCA- COLA. "This is not a curve. This is a straight line going up and we're right at the bottom," says KIDDER PEABODY's ROY BURRY about overseas demand for U.S. consumer products. Burry also says consumer products companies are in a good position to weather tough economic times. "These are economically sensitive items -- a bottle of catsup, cigarettes, a soft drink -- people do not give these things up because they're concerned about economic conditions," says Burry. (FNN "World Market Update". 10/18)

JOSEPH McALINDEN, director of research at DILLON, READ & CO., is predicting a "reflation rally" in the stock market as the Federal Reserve pumps up money growth to get the economy growing again. He recommends that investors take a look at shares of some cyclical companies whose fortunes rise and fall with the economy, such as AMAX, an aluminum and gold producer; FLUOR, a heavy construction concern; and MOTOROLA, a diversified technology company. (WSJ, 10/18)

"Airline stocks, in general, have gotten killed," says PAUL KAROS of FIRST BOSTON. "It's been not only oil, but a softening in earnings." (CNN "Moneyline", 10/17)

"Most stocks have been hit very, very hard and it's going to take a long, long time to repair that damage," says technical analyst WALTER MURPHY of MERRILL LYNCH. "So I think what [investors should] start to look at is either stocks that deal with yields, such as utilities, or stocks that have good relative strength ... or go into the shorter to intermediate-term bond situation. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/17)

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#90291p6347 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ERIE, PA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Zurn Industries Inc. (NYSE: ZRN), a leading designer and manufacturer of waste-to-energy and water control products and systems, today announced second quarter net income of $6,413,000 ($.51 per share) compared to $7,098,000 ($.57 per share) last year while sales for the quarter rose to $174,647,000 from $164,139,000.

As the company had previously indicated, a strike in the waste-to-energy business impacted the quarter's results (approximately $.08 per share). Also, consistent with the company's practice of recognizing costs, but not revenues, until contested construction contract change orders have been accepted by its customers, $.15 per share was expensed in the quarter for incurred and

anticipated amounts to address disputed performance and fuel specification issues at a waste-to-energy plant.

For the first six months, net income was $13,138,000 ($1.05 per share) compared to $13,110,000 ($1.06 per share) a year ago. Sales increased 17 percent to $344,955,000 from $294,766,000 for last year's first half.

Orders backlog on Sept. 30 stood at $444,000,000, up 10 percent from one year ago.

ZURN INDUSTRIES INC.
Condensed Statement of Consolidated Income
(Thousands Except Per Share Amounts)

Period ended	Three Months		Six Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales Environmental technologies				
Waste-to-energy	$ 77,728	$ 80,295	$165,278	$134,531
Water control	67,435	56,381	127,524	106,793
Other technologies				
Lynx Golf	11,931	10,532	22,213	21,090
Others	17,553	16,931	29,940	32,352
	174,647	164,139	344,955	294,766
Inc. bef. inc. taxes	10,513	11,738	21,538	21,840
Prov. for inc. taxes	4,100	4,640	8,400	8,730
Net income	6,413	7,098	13,138	13,110
Earnings per share	$.51	$.57	$1.05	$1.06
Average shares outstanding	12,538	12,455	12,532	12,402

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LAS VEGAS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Sahara Casino Partners L.P. (NYSE: SAH) today declared its 13th consecutive full cash distribution of 28 cents per unit, payable Nov. 14, 1990, to holders of publicly traded units of record on Nov. 1, 1990.

Sahara Casino Partners L.P. is the gaming master limited partnership which owns and operates the Sahara Hotel and Casino and the Hacienda Resort Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, and the Pioneer Hotel and Gambling Hall in Laughlin, Nev.

The partnership is currently building the Santa Fe Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, a full facility property which will cater to the local Las Vegas market. The Santa Fe will include a state-of-the- art, 60-lane bowling center

which will be one of the few bowling facilities to feature the new Brunswick "BowlerVision" capabilities. The new property will also feature Southern Nevada's only public ice skating arena, a National Hockey League regulation size rink with seating for approximately 2,500 spectators.

In addition to the new construction at the Santa Fe, the partnership is expanding the Sahara to add nearly 600 new guest rooms and a six-story parking garage. At the Hacienda, nearly 400 new guest rooms are being built as part of a new tower, the ground floor of which will double the size of the existing casino; and existing rooms and facilities are being completely remodeled.

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OGDEN, UTAH (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Thiokol Corp. (NYSE: TKC) today reported a 29 percent increase in net income for the first quarter ended Sept. 30. Net income totaled $11.5 million compared to $8.9 million for the like period last year. Earnings per share for the quarter were 60 cents versus 46 cents for the prior year.

Net sales for the three month period were $292.5 million, a 9 percent increase over $267.8 million last year.

"Thiokol's strong first quarter results were paced by a greater level of activity on the Space Shuttle program and better performance on our major Strategic program's," commented U. Edwin Garrison, president and chief executive officer.

"We continue to be confident about the future and expect positive earnings growth for the fiscal year 1991," Garrison said.

Space sales of $143 million increased 25 percent for the quarter while operating income of $12 million reflects a 62 percent rise over last year. The increases resulted primarily from continuing growth in Space Shuttle activity at higher profit margins. These increases offset lower Castor IV motor deliveries and profits for the quarter.

Strategic sales increased 25 percent to $62 million while operating income was up 53 percent to $5.8 million. Peacekeeper sales and profits increased while higher incentive fees and better cost performance increased profitability on the Trident program.

Tactical sales of $40.1 million declined 23 percent and operating income fell 34 percent to $4.2 million. Standard Missile sales and profits declined substantially due to decreased motor deliveries at lower unit prices. This was partially offset by higher sales and profits on HARM and several smaller

tactical programs.

Ordnance sales declined 9 percent to $47.4 million and operating income decreased 37 percent to $1.3 million for the quarer. Lower operating levels at the government-owned, contractor-operated ammunition plants and a reduced mix of higher margin third-party shipments accounted for the decreased sales and income.

Thiokol manufactures and markets high technology solid propulsion systems, ordnance and composite products for space and defense.

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CONCORD, CALIF. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Fibreboard Corp. (AMEX: FBD) today reported a net loss of $522,000, or 13 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, on sales of $62.3 million. This compares with earnings of $3.2 million, or 82 cents per share, on sales of $57.9 million in the third quarter of 1989. The third quarter of 1989 included several unusual items, the net effect of which was to increase after tax income by approximately $3.5 million or 91 cents per share. Comparing the third quarter of 1990 to the same period in 1989, a decline in wood products operating income contrasted a sharp improvement in insulation products performance.

Fibreboard Chairman and President Lawrence C. Hart said, "The disappointing results of the wood products group, while showing a marked improvement from the second quarter, directly reflect the continuing residential housing recession. During the second and third quarters, prices of our lumber and millwork products have declined 20-30 percent. Some prices have stabilized over the last few weeks, while others have continued to fall. We cannot predict when wood products markets will show higher demand and resultant price increases."

The first nine months of 1990 resulted in a loss from continuing operations of $329,000 or 8 cents per share, on sales of $191.5 million. This compares with earnings from continuing operations of $6.8 million or $1.74 per share, on sales of $170.1 million in the first nine months of 1989.

In asbestos related developments, juries in the second phase of a previously announced asbestos personal injury trial in Beaumont, Texas, have rendered compensatory damage verdicts in 148 cases which the court intends to treat as "representative" of approximately 2,400 cases in the consolidated action. Compensatory damage awards in the 148 cases approximate $123 million. Under Texas law, settlements by other defendants will substantially reduce Fibreboard's share of these awards. Final determination of pre-judgment interest and punitive damages has not been made and it remains to be seen how

the court intends to extrapolate the results of the 148 cases to the remaining cases in the consolidated action. Further proceedings addressing these issues are expected to begin during the fourth quarter.

Fibreboard Corp., headquartered in Concord, manufactures lumber, hardwood plywood, molding and millwork, agricultural container components, composite structural lumber, precision molded industrial insulation and fireproofing materials. It also owns and operates Northstar-at-Tahoe, a ski resort and year-round vacation and conference center in California.

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BOISE, IDAHO (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - West One Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: WEST) reported earnings of $12.1 million or 95 cents per share for third quarter 1990. This represents a 40 percent increase over third quarter 1989 earnings of $8.6 million or 68 cents per share. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $31.3 million, a 24 percent increase over the $25.2 million reported for the first nine months of 1989. On a per share basis, net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $2.46 compared to $1.99 a year ago.

"The continuing favorable economic conditions in our four-state market area have resulted in increased loan and deposit volumes and a higher net interest margin," said Dan Nelson, chairman and chief executive officer.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $4.5 billion, a 10 percent increase over $4.1 billion one year ago. Loans grew 17 percent to $2.9 billion over the same period. Deposits increased 10 percent to $3.5 billion at Sept. 30, 1990. Shareholders' equity was $301 million at Sept. 30, 1990, an 11 percent increase over $270 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

Net interest income and margin (adjusted to a tax-equivalent basis) increased in third quarter 1990 compared to third quarter 1989 due to the volume and composition of earning assets. Net interest income increased $5.7 million or 15 percent to $44.7 million in third quarter 1990. Net interest margin increased to 4.50 percent, an increase of 32 basis points from 4.18 percent for the same quarter last year. Average earning assets increased $242.2 million or 7 percent during this period due to loan growth. Loans, the highest yielding component, represented 73 percent of earning assets in the current quarter compared to 66 percent in third quarter 1989.

The provision for credit losses was $2.3 million in third quarter 1990 compared to $2.1 million in third quarter 1989. Nonperforming assets at the end of third quarter 1990 decreased to $35 million, a 17 percent improvement from $42.1 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

Noninterest income increased $1.8 million or 13 percent from third quarter 1989 to 1990 due to service charges from account growth, incentive-based sales programs and pricing adjustments. Noninterest income for the first nine months of 1990 increased $6.1 million or 17 percent from the same period in 1989.

Noninterest expense increased $1.2 million or 3 percent from third quarter 1989 to third quarter 1990 due to higher deposit insurance assessments and expenses associated with a successful loan promotion. Noninterest expense for the first nine months of 1990 exceeded the prior year by $6.8 million or 6 percent.

WEST ONE BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(In thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989	Dec. 31, 1989
Assets			
Cash and due from banks	$ 340,261	$ 323,997	$ 408,660
Due from banks-interest bearing	121,706	153,364	191,709
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	52,000	2,675	5,575
Other short-term investments	114	835	531
Investment securities: United States Treasury securities	218,645	294,691	265,292
Securities of other United States Government agencies	404,374	369,273	430,005
State and municipal bonds	184,252	190,336	180,964
Other	108,329	121,390	127,528
Total investment securities	915,600	975,690	1,003,789
Loans:			
Commercial	951,064	806,508	897,485
Agricultural	315,969	288,904	268,898
Real estate	764,131	631,213	667,258
Consumer	785,110	686,511	710,792
Leases	109,147	87,357	95,173
Total loans	2,925,421	2,500,493	2,639,606
Allowance for credit losses	47,382	50,348	48,601
Net loans	2,878,039	2,450,145	2,591,005
Premises and equipment	77,638	78,373	80,608
Interest receivable	52,093	53,704	51,626
Other real estate owned	6,887	4,774	3,908
Other assets	78,601	70,998	73,370
Total assets	$4,522,939	$4,114,555	$4,410,781
Liabilities			
Deposits:			
Noninterest bearing	$ 661,006	$ 592,929	$ 667,358

Interest bearing demand	352,807	338,982	356,699
Regular and money market savings	849,248	814,773	835,815
Time certificates under $100,000	1,218,919	1,081,462	1,092,466
Time certificates $100,000 and over	380,146	312,339	345,645
Total deposits	3,462,126	3,140,485	3,297,983
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	419,566	425,081	454,247
Commercial paper	5,856	31,763	20,401
Other short-term borrowings	214,553	133,089	244,054
Long-term notes payable	62,237	60,689	62,363
Other liabilities	57,940	53,549	55,339
Total liabilities	4,222,278	3,844,656	4,134,387
Shareholders' equity			
Common stock, $1.00 par value: Authorized 24,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding 12,765,596; 12,698,149; and 12,714,106 shares, respectively	12,766	12,698	12,714
Capital surplus	158,920	156,589	156,970
Retained earnings	128,975	100,612	106,710
Total shareholders' equity	300,661	269,899	276,394
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	$4,522,939	$4,114,555	$4,410,781

WEST ONE BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS
(Dollars in thousands, except per share)

	Quarter		Nine Months	
Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest income:				
Loans	$81,986	$71,681	$233,773	$207,049
Short-term investments	2,872	6,942	10,358	30,621
Interest and dividends on investments: United States Treasury securities	4,727	6,077	14,938	18,554
Securities of other United States Government agencies	8,546	7,863	26,573	19,350
State and municipal bonds	3,015	2,824	9,267	6,971
Other	2,256	2,439	7,220	6,346
Total interest income	103,402	97,826	302,129	288,891
Interest expense:				
Deposits	48,497	46,638	141,632	137,489
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	8,504	10,158	26,802	28,732
Other short-term borrowings	2,923	3,376	8,624	9,593
Long-term notes payable	1,518	1,514	4,530	4,576
Total interest expense	61,442	61,686	181,588	180,390
Net interest income	41,960	36,140	120,541	108,501

Provision for credit losses	2,329	2,121	6,055	4,805
Net interest income after provision for credit losses	39,631	34,019	114,486	103,696
Noninterest income:				
Trust fees and commissions	2,464	2,121	7,413	6,254
Service charges on deposit accounts	6,099	4,754	16,364	13,425
Other service charges, fees, and commissions	5,097	4,692	15,088	13,910
Other income	1,241	1,439	3,334	2,864
Securities gains (losses)	(24)	121	(29)	(376)
Total noninterest income	14,877	13,127	42,170	36,077
Noninterest expense: Employee compensation and benefits	18,910	18,486	56,896	54,276
Net occupancy expense	2,579	2,640	7,538	7,352
Equipment expense	3,087	2,491	8,852	7,708
Supplies and services	5,053	5,798	15,979	16,159
Marketing	1,219	1,227	5,261	4,509
Other operating expense	6,255	5,217	18,182	15,929
Total noninterest expense	37,103	35,859	112,708	105,933
Income before taxes	17,405	11,287	43,948	33,840
Provision for income taxes	5,314	2,657	12,621	8,631
Net income	$12,091	$ 8,630	$ 31,327	$ 25,209
Per share:				
Net income	$ 0.95	$ 0.68	$ 2.46	$ 1.99
Dividends declared	0.22	0.20	0.66	0.60
Weighted average shares	12,763,689	12,687,236	12,749,233	12,651,581

WEST ONE BANCORP

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	Sept. 30,		Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net income	$12,091	$8,630	$31,327	$25,209
Earnings per share	0.95	0.68	2.46	1.99
Cash dividend	0.22	0.20	0.66	0.60

Statistical Data

	Quarter		Nine Months	
Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Rate of return on: Average total assets (percents)	1.09	0.83	0.97	0.83
Average common stockholders' equity	16.30	12.94	14.66	13.07
Net interest margin (taxable-equivalent basis)	4.50	4.18	4.44	4.27
Net charge-offs/				

average loans outstanding	0.38	0.54	0.35	0.42
Shareholders' equity to assets - average	6.71	6.43	6.60	6.38
Allowance for credit losses/loans - average	1.65	2.08	1.73	2.21

	Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Primary capital ratio (percents)	7.63	7.75
Total capital ratio (percents)	8.93	9.14
Book value per common share	$23.55	$21.25
Closing stock price per common share	18.75	26.17
Period-end number of common shares outstanding	12,765,596	12,698,149

WEST ONE BANCORP

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Selected Average Balance Sheet Components

(Dollars in thousands)

	Quarter		Nine months	
Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Loans	$2,888,896	$2,446,695	$2,766,706	$2,338,483
Earning assets	3,937,129	3,694,899	3,884,793	3,632,884
Total assets	4,383,911	4,114,266	4,327,773	4,043,380
Deposits	3,380,020	3,110,764	3,318,184	3,095,371

Selected Balance Sheet Components

(Dollars in Thousands)

Sept. 30:	1990	1989
Loans (net of unearned income)	$2,925,421	$2,500,493
Allowance for credit losses	47,382	50,348
Total assets	4,522,939	4,114,555
Deposits	3,462,126	3,140,485
Shareholders' equity	300,661	269,899

Loans Outstanding

(Dollars in Thousands)

Sept. 30:	1990	1989
Loans:		
Commercial	$ 951,064	$ 806,508
Agricultural	315,969	288,904
Real estate	764,131	631,213
Consumer	785,110	686,511
Leases	109,147	87,357
Total loans	$2,925,421	$2,500,493

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - SFFed Corp. (NASDAQ: SFFD), holding company for San Francisco Federal Savings and Loan Association, today announced net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $1.6 million, or 21 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $15.7 million, or $2.03 per share, for the comparable year-earlier quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income totaled $10.9 million, or $1.41 per share, versus a net loss of $12.6 million, or $1.63 per share, for the year-earlier period.

The quarter's net interest income of $21 million was 21 percent higher than the $17.3 million in the 1989 third quarter. For the first nine months of 1990, net interest income was $63.1 million, an increase of 26 percent over the $50 million in the year-earlier period.

Roger L. Gordon, president and chief executive officer, said, "I am pleased with the continuing improvement in the quality of the company's earnings compared with the previous year, as reflected in higher net interest income and substantial improvement in the company's net interest margin." The company's net interest margin (spread) for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 was 2.51 percent and 2.46 percent, respectively, compared with 1.79 percent and 1.51 percent for the year-earlier periods.

During the third quarter of 1990 the Association charged $3.1 million to operations for provisions for losses on loans, foreclosed properties and real estate compared with $0.5 million in the year-earlier period. "With the California real estate market sluggish, although performing better than the rest of the country, and in view of general economic conditions, we believe it prudent to increase the provisions for losses at this time," Gordon said. The Association's general loss reserves increased to $5.5 million (0.16 percent of total assets) at Sept. 30, 1990, from $3.8 million (0.11 percent) one year earlier.

At Sept. 30, 1990, stockholders' equity of $172.8 million ($22.33 per share) represented 5.01 percent of total assets, compared with $157.8 million ($20.43 per share) and 4.50 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1989. The Association exceeds all current regulatory capital requirements.

SFFed Corp., with total assets of $3.4 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, is the holding company for San Francisco Federal Savings and Loan Association, which operates 44 branch offices and 13 loan centers throughout Northern and Central California.

SFFED CORP. AND SUBSIDIARY
Sept. 30, 1990
Financial Highlights
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	1990	1989

For the quarter ended Sept. 30:		
Net income (loss)	$1,645	(15,694)
Earnings (loss) per share	0.21	(2.03)
Net interest income	20,953	17,327
Interest rate margin on total assets (percent)	2.51	1.79
Ratio of operating expense to average assets (percent)	2.06	1.70
Profitability ratios (annualized):		
Return on average assets (percent)	0.19	N/M
Return on average equity (percent)	3.78	N/M
For the nine months ended Sept. 30:		
Net income (loss)	$10,936	(12,592)
Earnings (loss) per share	1.41	(1.63)
Net interest income	63,091	50,042
Interest rate margin on total assets (percent)	2.46	1.51
Ratio of operating expense to average assets (percent)	2.05	1.53
Profitability ratios (annualized):		
Return on average assets (percent)	0.43	N/M
Return on average equity (percent)	8.66	N/M
At Sept. 30:		
Assets	$3,449,366	3,504,276
Loans	2,891,039	2,809,825
Deposits	2,477,254	2,698,425
Stockholders' equity (net worth)	172,852	157,842
Shares outstanding (actual number)	7,741,038	7,727,537
Book value per share	$22.33	20.43
Interest rate margin on total assets (percent)	2.26	2.01
Nonperforming assets:		
Amount	$47,090	23,012
Ratio to total assets (percent)	1.37	0.66
Net worth to total assets (percent)	5.01	4.50
Tangible net worth to total assets (percent)	4.66	4.14
Risk-based capital ratio (percent)	6.73	N/A

N/M -- Not meaningful N/A -- Not applicable at Sept. 30, 1989

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

(Unaudited)

	Three months ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
(In thousands, except per share amounts)	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest income on loans and investments	$85,365	99,832	258,268	314,058
Interest expense on deposits and borrowings	64,412	82,505	195,177	264,016

Net interest income	20,953	17,327	63,091	50,042
Provision for loan losses	1,479	498	3,242	1,128
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	19,474	16,829	59,849	48,914
Other income (loss)				
Loan servicing fees and charges	2,381	2,012	6,442	6,411
Gain on sale of loans, mortgage-backed securities and other assets, net	545	1,387	3,136	1,440
Loss on sale of assets due to restructure	--	(28,111)	--	(28,111)
Gain on sale of credit card portfolio	--	--	1,943	--
Other	(618)	644	1,262	2,589
	2,308	(24,068)	12,783	(17,671)
Other expense				
Amortization of excess of cost over value of net assets acquired	178	178	532	532
Operating expenses	17,773	16,957	51,915	49,522
	17,951	17,135	52,447	50,054
Income (loss) before income taxes	3,831	(24,374)	20,185	(18,811)
Income tax expense (benefit)	2,186	(8,680)	9,249	(6,219)
Net income (loss)	$1,645	(15,694)	10,936	(12,592)
Earnings (loss) per share	$0.21	(2.03)	1.41	(1.63)

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition
(Unaudited)

(In thousands)	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	Sept. 30, 1989
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	$162,597	158,189	239,519
Mortgage-backed securities, net	245,093	252,890	266,896
Loans receivable, net	2,891,039	2,821,711	2,809,825
Real estate acquired by foreclosure	13,281	8,848	8,704
Excess of cost over value of net assets acquired	11,980	12,512	12,689
Other assets	125,376	131,761	166,643
Total Assets	$3,449,366	3,385,911	3,504,276
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			

Customer deposits	$2,477,254	2,603,975	2,698,425
Borrowings	737,397	547,198	545,036
Other liabilities and accrued expenses	61,863	72,859	102,973
Total liabilities	3,276,514	3,224,032	3,346,434
Stockholders' equity	172,852	161,879	157,842
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	$3,449,366	3,385,911	3,504,276

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - SFFed Corp. (NASDAQ: SFFD), holding company for San Francisco Federal Savings and Loan Association, today announced net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $1.6 million, or 21 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $15.7 million, or $2.03 per share, for the comparable year-earlier quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income totaled $10.9 million, or $1.41 per share, versus a net loss of $12.6 million, or $1.63 per share, for the year-earlier period.

The quarter's net interest income of $21 million was 21 percent higher than the $17.3 million in the 1989 third quarter. For the first nine months of 1990, net interest income was $63.1 million, an increase of 26 percent over the $50 million in the year-earlier period.

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During the third quarter of 1990 the Association charged $3.1 million to operations for provisions for losses on loans, foreclosed properties and real estate compared with $0.5 million in the year-earlier period. "With the California real estate market sluggish, although performing better than the rest of the country, and in view of general economic conditions, we believe it prudent to increase the provisions for losses at this time," Gordon said. The Association's general loss reserves increased to $5.5 million (0.16 percent of total assets) at Sept. 30, 1990, from $3.8 million (0.11 percent) one year earlier.

At Sept. 30, 1990, stockholders' equity of $172.8 million ($22.33 per share) represented 5.01 percent of total assets, compared with $157.8 million ($20.43 per share) and 4.50 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1989. The Association exceeds all current regulatory capital requirements.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - CalFed Inc. (NYSE: CAL) today reported a net loss for the third quarter of 1990 of $92.3 million, or $3.65 per fully diluted share, compared to net earnings for the third quarter of 1989 of $22.2 million, or $.83 per fully diluted share.

The loss for the third quarter of 1990 is due to a $96.0 million addition to the company's allowance for losses on real estate held for investment in its real estate development subsidiaries and a $42.8 million loss on the previously announced sale of Beneficial Standard Life Insurance Co., CalFed's annuity and life insurance subsidiary. The increased reserve for losses on real estate held for investment reflects both a decline in value of the residential and commercial properties owned by CalFed's real estate development subsidiaries and management's decision to accelerate the sale of those assets in order to conclude CalFed's real estate development activities more rapidly.

The company reported a net loss of $126.4 million, or $5.01 per fully diluted share, for the first nine months of 1990, compared to net earnings of $58.8 million, or $2.23 per fully diluted share, for the same period in 1989.

"While we do not minimize the impact of the company's third quarter loss, it is important to note that the losses resulted from businesses from which CalFed is withdrawing as part of the restructuring we began in mid-1989," said Jerry St. Dennis, chairman and chief executive officer of CalFed Inc. "CalFed's continuing operations have performed well throughout 1990, demonstrating significantly improved cost efficiencies and consistent core profitability."

The company also announced that its board of directors reduced the quarterly dividend to $.03 per share from the $.35 per share paid on Sept. 14, 1990. The dividend will be paid on Dec. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 15, 1990.

"The board's decision to reduce the dividend reflects the increased importance of retaining capital during this period of economic uncertainty and in light of new and potentially more stringent regulatory requirements ahead," said St. Dennis. "California Federal Bank meets the current federal capital requirements, but the dividend reduction will enable the company to accumulate additional capital more quickly, providing greater flexibility to address overall capital needs for various corporate purposes."

CalFed also announced that it intends to repurchase from time to time some of its 6 1/2 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2001 on the open market and in privately negotiated transactions. The debentures were issued in Europe in February 1986 and are convertible into CalFed Inc. common stock at $35.25.

CalFed Inc. is a financial services holding company whose principal subsidiary California Federal Bank, FSB, operates more than 200 offices in California, Florida, Nevada, Georgia and Arizona.

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CALABASAS, CALIF. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Tekelec (NASDAQ: TKLC), a telecommunications test systems company, today reported net income of $1,280,000, or $0.31 per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 74 percent over the $735,000, or $0.18 per share reported for the third quarter of 1989. Revenues increased by 26 percent to $10,376,000 from $8,217,000 reported for the third quarter last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $3,654,000, or $0.89 per share, compared with $2,541,000 or $0.63 per share for the comparable prior year period. Revenues were $29,752,000 for the nine months compared with $25,585,000, reported for the comparable period of 1989.

Product orders for the quarter were approximately $10,900,000. The company's product backlog was approximately $3,900,000 at Sept. 30, 1990.

Tekelec's President and Chief Executive Officer Peter N. Vicars, said "We are very pleased with the order trend in the third quarter which improved by 28 percent over the prior year quarter. Notably, we received significant orders for MGTS SS7 deployment in both the United States and Japan. As a result, we were able to ship record revenues for the quarter and maintain more our strong backlog. Tekelec continues the expansion of the test products it offers for the emerging intelligent network with the acquisition of Hard Engineering, a leading supplier of ISDN field service test systems, and the recent announcement of its entry into the high speed LAN network (FDDI) testing with

the ChameLAN 100. We now believe that Tekelec offers the broadest line of intelligent digital network test systems worldwide."

Separately, Tekelec announced that Mark Tyson, vice president of sales and marketing, has left the company, and his responsibilities have been assumed by Vicars on an interim basis.

Tekelec designs, manufactures and markets test systems worldwide for data communications, telecommunications and integrated voice/data communications devices and networks. The company's customers include telephone operating companies, equipment manufacturers and government agencies that use test systems to design, test, install, maintain and repair telecommunications and computer equipment. Tekelec's domestic direct sales force and representatives international distributors and Japanese subsidiary market Tekelec products throughout North America, Europe and the Far East.

TEKELEC
Summary Income Statement Data
(In thousands except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended Sept. 30		Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$10,376	$8,217	$29,752	$25,585
Net income	1,280	735	3,654	2,541
Net income per share	$0.31	$0.18	$0.89	$0.63
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,166	4,018	4,118	4,034

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LONDON (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Manville Forest Products Corporation announced the formation of a new business in Europe, Manville Multiple Packaging-Europe, to provide multiple packaging services, initially to the beverage, dairy and food markets and related sectors. Manville recently acquired three paperboard and packaging companies in Europe and Australia.

The announcement, made today by Dick Searle, European managing director for MFP, indicated that Manville Multiple Packaging-Europe will combine company resources which include renewable forests and a recycling mill to produce quality paperboard for packaging. It will have its own design, production and marketing facilities for the multiple packaging markets of Europe.

The business has been formed with the basic philosophy that any primary container can benefit from and be marketed more effectively in secondary multiple packaging. The business will work with customers to devise and develop systems ranging from fully enclosed packs to conventional wraps, boosting sales via multiple packaging.

In establishing the new European business, three key management appointments also were announced. Jon Donaldson was named managing director for the U.K. and Ireland, with Phil Weaver as sales director. Knut Kramer was named as managing director for Northern Mainland Europe operating out of Cologne, the closest German city to service France and the Benelux countries. All three are established figures in the European Multiple Packaging market.

Manville Forest Products, headquartered in Atlanta, has three new businesses acquired since last April -- Visypack Corporation, a leading Australian packaging company, DRG Cartons of Bristol, one of Britain's leading packaging concerns, and Fiskeby Board AB of Norrkoping, near Stockholm, Sweden, a leading paperboard and recycling mill and forest operations. MFP employs 8,200 people in the USA, Brazil, Europe and Australia. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of Manville Corporation (NYSE: MVL).

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Repligen Corporation (NASDAQ: RGEN) today announced the appointment of Dominick J. Nicastro to the new position of director, marketing and sales. Nicastro's responsibilities will include coordinating sales and marketing programs for existing products and for the introduction of new products currently under development. The company presently has on the market a line of recombinant protein A products and a variety of retroviral reagents.

Prior to joining Repligen, Nicastro was director of international marketing for Baxter Healthcare Corporation. He has 31 years of experience in sales and marketing, and formerly held positions at Computers in Medicine, Inc., Advanced Mechanical Technology, Inc., Amicon Corporation and Beckman Instruments.

"Nicastro brings to Repligen experience in national and international marketing that will significantly strengthen the company's marketing and sales approach," said Sandford D. Smith, president and CEO. "The company will benefit from his expertise in the bioprocess area in both the short- and long-term as revenues increase and new products are introduced to extend our

commitment to protein purification."

In addition to successfully filling a number of marketing and sales positions, Nicastro has been a marketing instructor in the Continuing Education Department at Merrimack College for the past 14 years. He holds a B.S. in chemistry and an M.B.A. in marketing from St. John's University. Nicastro is a member of the American Marketing Association and has appeared as a guest speaker at their national meetings.

Repligen develops and manufactures biochemical products for the healthcare market, primarily in the areas of retrovirology and cancer. The company's headquarters and research and production facilities are in Cambridge, Mass.

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MILPITAS, CALIF. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Komag Inc. (NASDAQ: KMAG),the leading independent supplier of sputtered thin-film metallic disks for data storage applications, today announced 1990 third quarter financial results.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales totaled a record $40.4 million, a 66 percent increase over the $24.3 million for the comparable quarter of 1989. Net sales in the quarter just ended were 14 percent higher than the $35.5 million recorded in the second quarter of 1990.

Income before extraordinary credits for the third quarter of 1990 was $4.2 million, or 27 cents per share. In comparison, income before extraordinary credits in the third quarter of 1989 was $0.9 million, or 7 cents a share. The 1990 third quarter results include $0.6 million, or 4 cents a share, derived from Asahi Komag Co. Ltd., the company's Japanese joint venture. The current quarter's income before extraordinary credits was 48 percent higher than the $2.8 million, or 18 cents a share, reported in the second quarter of 1990.

"Improvements in manufacturing productivity, strong customer demand, stable pricing, and the recognition of profits from our Japanese joint venture contributed to Komag's strong third quarter performance," stated Stephen C. Johnson, Komag Inc.'s president. "The third quarter results reflect the ongoing efforts to improve the productivity of our manufacturing processes. During the quarter just ended, the company attained greater factory throughput due to more efficient use of its process equipment, especially the eighth sputtering line which became operational late in the second quarter. As a result, our gross margin expanded to 26.8 percent from 23.7 percent in the prior quarter," explained Johnson.

Komag Inc. develops, manufacturers and markets sputtered thin-film metallic

disks for use in high-capacity, high-performance Winchester disk drives. Komag is the largest independent supplier of these disks to independent disk drive manufacturers and computer system manufacturers which build their own disk drives. Komag applies a recording layer only microinches thin onto a polished aluminum substrate using a sputtered or vacuum deposition technique similar to the way the semiconductor industry coats wafers with thin metallic films. Founded in 1983, the company maintains 360,000 square feet of manufacturing and administrative space in California. The company also manufactures and sells products through a joint venture, Asahi Komag Co. Ltd., which is among the top three media producers in Japan. Komag employs nearly 1,500 people. The company is traded on the NASDAQ over-the-counter market under the symbol KMAG.

KOMAG INC.
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(in thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months ended	
	Sept. 30 1990	Oct. 1 1989	Sept. 30 1990	Oct. 1 1989
Net Sales	$40,387	$24,308	$106,009	$56,770
Cost of Sales	29,566	20,926	80,625	57,244
Gross Profit (loss)	10,821	3,382	25,384	(474)
Research & Development Expense	2,608	1,172	7,263	3,125
Selling, General & Administrative	2,786	1,560	6,874	6,182
Operating Profit (Loss)	5,427	650	11,247	(9,781)
Other Income (Expense)	(269)	225	(420)	688
Income (Loss) before Income Taxes, Minority Interest and Extra-ordinary Credit	5,158	875	10,827	(9.093)
Provision for (Benefit of) Income Taxes	1,978	281	3,976	(1,424)
Minority Interest in Net Income (Loss) of Consolidated Subsidiary	(346)	(321)	(941)	(526)
Equity in Net Income of Unconsolidated Joint Venture	626	--	626	--
Income (Loss) Before Extraordinary Credit	4,152	915	8,418	(7,143)
Extraordinary Credit Resulting from Util-ization of Net Oper-				

ating Loss Carryforward	23	--	371	--
Net Income (Loss)	$4,175	$915	$8,789	($7,143)
Income (Loss) Per Share: Income (Loss) Before Extraordinary Credit	$0.27	$0.07	$0.56	($0.55)
Extraordinary Credit	0.00	--	0.02	--
Net Income (Loss)	$0.27	$0.07	$0.58	($0.55)
Shares Used in Calculating Per Share Amounts	15,525	14,043	15,098	13,019

KOMAG INC.

Consolidated Balance Sheet

(in thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990 (Unaudited)	Dec. 31 1989 (Audited)
ASSETS		
Cash and Short-Term Investments	$46,198	$37,824
Net Accounts Receivable Trade	20,357	12,838
Inventories	9,797	7,868
Deposits and Other Current Assets	6,536	5,137
Total Current Assets	82,888	63,667
Investment in Unconsolidated Joint Venture	1,057	--
Net Equipment and Leasehold Improvements	72,244	56,583
Deposits and Other Assets	1,120	1,308
TOTAL ASSETS	$157,309	$121,558
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Accounts Payable Trade	$8,181	$9,310
Accrued Liabilities	7,107	2,651
Long-term Debt. -- Current Portion	7,922	7,351
Total Current Liabilities	23,210	19,312
Long-Term Debt	21,946	21,763
Other Liabilities	2,291	2,147
Minority Interest in Consolidated Subsidiary	1,085	1,085
Common Stock	98,864	76,751
Retained Earnings	9,289	500
Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments	624	--
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	108,777	77,251
TOTAL LIABILITIES & STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$157,309	$121,558

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Jones Intercable Inc., the general partner of Jones Intercable Investors L.P. (AMEX: JTV), a publicly-traded master limited partnership, today announced it is evaluating a number of potential courses of action regarding future distributions. The general partner is aware of concern about the level of future cash distributions and increased activity in Class A units of the partnership on the American Stock Exchange, following the issue of an analyst's report yesterday. Jones Intercable Inc. believes that the partnership will have sufficient sources of capital to meet its anticipated operating needs. Furthermore, the general partner believes that long-term investors can realize capital appreciation upon the ultimate sale of the partnership systems.

To address the current level of cash distributions, Jones Intercable is investigating a number of potential courses of action for the partnership, including: 1) raising additional equity, 2) reducing distributions, 3) selling one or both of the two cable television systems owned by the partnership which serve Alexandria, Va. and Independence, Mo. At this time, management is actively investigating these options, and no decision has been made. The decision awaits the outcome of the general partner's review of expected cash flow, potential capital expenditures in 1991, and the new, independent appraisal of the partnership. The new appraisal figure, which may affect the available levels of borrowing by the partnership, will be available with the third quarter results during the week of Nov. 19, 1990.

Jones Intercable Investors L.P., was formed for the purpose of acquiring, owning and operating cable television systems in the United States. One of the principle investment objectives of this limited partnership is to generate long-term capital appreciation through the operation and ultimate sale of the cable television systems. Upon sale of the systems, the economics of liquidation are: 1) payment of outstanding debt, 2) payment to Class A unitholders a preferred return of $1.60 per year, cumulative and non-compounded, less all prior distributions from cash flow, 3) payment to Class A unitholders $16.00 per unit, 4) distribution of the remaining proceeds, 60 percent to Class A unitholders and 40 percent to the general partner. Jones Intercable Inc. currently owns 20 percent of the units.

Jones Intercable is one of the largest cable television operators in the United States, serving over 1 million subscribers. It is also the world's largest cable television management company with cable operations in 20 states.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Georgia Gulf Corp. (NYSE: GGC) today reported that third quarter revenues and operating income were comparable to the second quarter indicating a continued healthy demand for most of its chemical products.

On a 1990 to 1989 third quarter comparison, revenues were $232.7 million with earnings of $23.2 million vs. $251.2 million and $46.1 million for the prior period. Earnings per share for the same periods were $.69 and $1.85, respectively.

Sales for the first nine months of this year were $703.1 million, down from $861.3 million last year. Net income of $76.3 million decreased from $150.7 million reported a year earlier. Earnings per share were $2.55 vs. $5.89 for the same period last year.

The 1990 to 1989 third quarter and nine-month comparisons were significantly impacted by the recapitalization which took place in late April of 1990 resulting in an increased number of shares outstanding, additional interest expense and a charge for the expenses of the recapitalization. The comparisons were also impacted by the sale of Freeman Chemical Corp.

On a third quarter to second quarter comparison, revenues were up to $232.7 million from $218.7 million, operating income declined slightly to $59.9 million from $61.2 million and net income was $23.2 million compared to $15.7 million. For the net income comparison, the company noted that the second quarter was negatively impacted by the various items related to the recapitalization.

Georgia Gulf, headquartered in Atlanta and listed on the New York Stock Exchange, is a major manufacturer of several highly integrated lines of commodity chemicals and polymers including aromatic, natural gas and electrochemical products.

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MAYNARD, MASS. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Equipment Corporation (NYSE: DEC), the world's leading supplier of networked computer systems and services, today reported earnings for its first quarter, which ended Sept. 29, 1990.

For the quarter, the company reported total operating revenues of $3,093,370,000, compared with the $3,131,190,000 of the comparable quarter a year ago. Net income for the quarter was $26,177,000, compared with last

year's first quarter net income of $150,783,000. Quarterly earnings per share were 21 cents versus $1.20 last year.

"We are encouraged by some improvement in our U.S. business in the quarter and the continued success of our worldwide systems integration efforts," said John F. Smith, senior vice president of operations. "Our new VAX 9000 mainframe computer is shipping and our workstation business is accelerating. In addition, many new products that serve a wide variety of customer needs will be announced over the next several weeks."

"While the pace of business in Europe and other parts of the world has slowed, we continue to be encouraged by positive customer reaction to both existing and upcoming hardware, software and service products," he said. "Despite uncertain economic conditions, our worldwide services business grew 8 percent this quarter, maintaining a trend of many years."

"Although operating results for our first quarter were not satisfactory, the company is making progress in identifying and eliminating expense items not critical to its success," noted Smith. "In addition, every function in the company has established productivity programs designed to help us return to a more profitable status."

During the first quarter the company repurchased 3.7 million shares of its stock for $241 million, which completes the 5 million share stock repurchase program authorized in April by its board of directors.

Digital Equipment Corporation, headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

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PRINCETON, NJ (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - UJB Financial Corp. (NYSE: UJB) today announced a quarterly loss of $19.8 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. The loss is attributable to a significant increase in the quarterly loan loss provision to $124.0 million, up from $40.0 million in the second quarter, and $11.0 million a year ago. For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $11.3 million.

For the third quarter of 1990, the net loss was $19.8 million or $.46 per share, compared with net income of $31.4 million, or $.69 per share, for the same period a year ago. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $11.3 million, or $.22 per share, compared to $94.1 million, or $2.08 per

share, the prior year.

At the end of the third quarter, non-performing assets amounted to $460.5 million or 5.30 percent of total loans and other real estate. This compares to $154.5 million or 1.91 percent a year ago, and $288.7 million or 3.34 percent at the end of the second quarter this year. The increase in non-performing loans during the quarter was $171.8 million, with $139.4 million real estate and real estate related, and $32.4 million in commercial loans.

The provision for loan losses for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $124.0 million compared to $11.0 million for the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990 the provision was $184.0 million, up from $32.6 million for the same period of 1989. At Sept. 30, 1990, the allowance for loan losses was $233.8 million, or 2.71 percent of total loans.

Total loans at Sept. 30, 1990, were $8.6 billion, up 6.8 percent from $8.1 billion the prior year. Total commercial loans at the end of the third quarter were $4.9 billion, up 8.2 percent over Sept. 30, 1989. Total deposits were $10.4 billion, up 14.8 percent at Sept. 30, 1990. Total assets increased 16.9 percent to $13.6 billion at the end of the third quarter, compared to $11.6 billion at the end of the third quarter of 1989. Current year assets and deposits include the acquisition of Horizon Financial, F.A., in May 1990.

Net interest income was $123.1 million for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, up 6.6 percent over the $115.5 million for the same period last year. Net interest margin was 4.22 percent compared with 4.68 percent in the same quarter a year ago. Both net interest income and margin continue to be negatively impacted by the increase in non- performing assets and a more expensive deposit mix.

As was announced in September, UJB Financial's third quarter earnings includes nonrecurring pretax income of $50.0 million generated from the sale of its credit card portfolio. This sale was part of a long-range strategic plan to concentrate business efforts within the markets served by UJB Financial's banking offices.

UJB Financial Corp. has more than 270 offices in New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania. The company now has nine member banks and 11 active non-bank subsidiaries providing financial services to individuals, businesses, not-for-profit organizations, government, and other financial institutions.

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MEMPHIS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Promus Companies Incorporated (NYSE: PRI)

today reported record third quarter operating income before property transactions.

Record third quarter operating income at Harrah's Laughlin and the Holiday Casino/Holiday Inn in Las Vegas and a tripling of operating income to $7 million in the company's hotel division offset declines in Atlantic City. Operating income before property transactions rose to $67.2 million, 3.3 percent higher than the $65.0 million in 1989, despite no July 4th weekend this year.

Revenues for the quarter rose 6.0 percent to $278.0 million. Operating income after property transactions for the quarter was $66.8 million compared to $78.7 million for the same period last year. 1989 results included a $12.9 million gain from the sale of a wholly-owned Embassy Suites hotel.

The company adjusted its 1990 tax accrual to reflect a greater proportion of its earnings being generated in states with higher income tax rates. The cumulative impact of the increase is approximately 6 cents per share during the quarter. Net income for the quarter was $15.7 million, or 61 cents per share. Revenues from the company's gaming business rose 1.5 percent to $241.4 million, with operating income of $60.8 million, essentially even with last year's record amount.

All of the gaming properties were negatively affected by the important 4th of July holiday which fell in the middle of the week this year. In addition, results were lowered by a four weekend July in 1990 compared to five weekends during the month last year.

Corporate expense for the quarter declined 16 percent. Interest expense for the quarter was $32.3 million compared to $4.6 million last year. The increase is the result of borrowings to pay a $30 special dividend in February of this year. Interest expense in the prior year does not reflect any of Promus' current corporate-level borrowings. The 1989 results also do not include a provision for income taxes since Holiday Corporation (from which Promus was spun off on February 7, 1990) had no formal intercompany tax sharing policy or agreement. Therefore, there is no reported comparison of net income or earnings per share.

Promus is the parent company of these leading hospitality brands: Harrah's casino/hotels, and Embassy Suites, Hampton Inn and Homewood Suites hotels.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) today reported third-quarter profits of $712 million, or 65 cents per share, compared with the $699 million

or 65 cents a share, reported in the same period a year ago. Revenues were $9.355 billion compared with $8.896 billion in the year-ago quarter. Net income and revenues were records.

For the nine months ending Sept. 30, net income was $2.037 billion, or $1.87 per share, on $27.272 billion in revenue. In the year-ago period, profits were $1.992 billion, or $1.85 per share, on revenues of $26.811 billion.

Operating income was $1.253 billion, a 10.9 percent increase, and rose 7.9 percent to $3.595 billion for the nine months.

Quarterly results reflected continued strength in AT&T's long distance business and higher product sales, particularly in international markets.

Earnings would have been higher, the company noted, if not for startup costs to meet the strong demand for the AT&T Universal Card, a combination credit and calling card, as well as higher income taxes resulting from reduced tax credits.

Overall service revenues (which include those from long distance, installation maintenance, and financial services) increased 3.0 percent this quarter to a record $5.724 billion.

The long distance portion of the service revenues grew 1.5 percent to $4.987 billion on calling volume growth of 7 percent for the quarter. For the nine months, long distance revenues increased to $14.707 billion.

Long distance volume growth for the quarter was led by business and international services, while residential services posted a modest increase. Revenues grew at a lower rate than calling volumes because customers are choosing new, lower-priced services made possible by AT&T's network modernization program and other cost reductions.

Product sales of $3.083 billion increased 12.7 percent over the year-ago quarter. For the nine months, product sales were $8.713 billion, a 3.8 percent increase. Rental revenues were down 8.7 percent to $548 million, a slower rate of decline than in previous periods.

Third quarter product gains were due to increased sales of network telecommunications products, computer systems, microelectronic components, consumer products and special design products for the federal government. International sales of computer systems and microelectronic components rose.

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ST. PAUL, MINN. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Genetic Laboratories Wound Care, Inc. (GLWC) has announced revenues for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, were $541,671 compared to $357,596 for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1989, a 51 percent increase. Fourteen percent of the quarterly sales was due to the establishment of new stocking distributors outside of the United States.

Net income was $64,934 of the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, compared to $28,963 for the same period last year.

GLWC has a fiscal year ending May 31. GLWC strengthened its market position with the receipt of three additional patents for medical devices in the first quarter.

U.S. Patent 4,950,699 - Wound Dressing Incorporating Collagen in Adhesive Layer

U.S. Patent 4,950,282 - Wound Closure Strips U.S. Design Pat. D310,721 - Nose Tube Anchoring Strip GLWC is engaged in the business of manufacturing and marketing wound care products. GLWC is traded on the local over-the-counter market.

GENETIC LABORATORIES WOUND CARE, INC. -- SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

First Quarter	Three Months Ended	
	8/31/90	8/31/89
Net revenues	$541,671	$357,596
Percent change	51	--
Expenses	475,484	326,917
Income from operations	66,187	30,679
Other income (expense)	(1,253)	(1,716)
Net income	$64,934	$28,963
Per common share	$.03	$.01

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - CNS, Inc. (NASDAQ: CNXS) of Minneapolis, today reported record sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $5,239,155 up from $4,251,612 for the same period in 1989. Net earnings were $136,995 or $.03 per share versus a net loss of $632,593 or $.20 per share for the comparable nine month period of 1989.

The company reported sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $1,905,495 compared to $1,275,199 for the same period of 1989. Earnings for the quarter were $57,057 or $.01 per share versus a loss of $257,526 or $.08 in the third quarter of 1989.

Daniel E. Cohen, M.D., chief executive officer, said that the newly introduced "Poly G" portable apnea recorder is having a positive effect on sales and earnings.

CNS designs, manufactures, and markets computer-based systems for recording and analysis in the sleep laboratory and operating room.

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BOISE, ID (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Boise Cascade Corp. (NYSE: BCC) announced today that it has reached an agreement in principle to sell its corrugated container plants in LaPorte, Ind., and Milford, Conn., to Jefferson Smurfit Corp. The sale is expected to be completed by year-end.

Earlier this year, Boise Cascade announced five strategic objectives aimed at building shareholder value. In support of those objectives, the company has stated its intent to focus on corrugated container plants that provide the greatest integrative benefit. Neither of the two facilities being sold offers such a level of integrative value.

Boise Cascade Corp. is an integrated forest products company headquartered in Boise, Idaho, with operations located primarily in the United States and Canada. The company manufactures and distributes paper and paper products, office products, and building products and owns and manages timberland to support these operations.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - BHC Communications, Inc. (AMEX: BHC) today reported third quarter net income of $32,586,000, or $1.12 per share. Last year's third quarter net income, which included a net gain of approximately $787 million on the sale of 63 percent of BHC's former interest in Warner Communications Inc., totaled $800,305,000, or $26.68 per share. Excluding the Warner gain from last year's results, this year's net income rose 141 percent from last year's $13,548,000, or $.45 per share, reflecting income earned on BHC's cash and marketable securities, as well as significantly increased television station earnings.

Interest and other income increased to $38,299,000 from last year's $18,310,000, reflecting interest earned on BHC cash and dividends recorded on Time Warner Inc. convertible preferred stock held by BHC. BHC's cash balances

were substantially augmented in August 1989, upon the sale of 63 percent of its interest in Warner. In January 1990, BHC exchanged its remaining Warner shares, primarily for Time Warner convertible preferred stock, pursuant to the Time/Warner merger.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $451,564,000, or $15.42 per share, compared to net income of $799,431,000, or $26.65 per share, in last year's corresponding period. Approximately $358 million of 1990 net income reflects BHC's gain, after income taxes and minority interest, on the exchange of BHC's remaining Warner interest, and approximately $787 million of 1989 income reflects a similar gain on BHC's August 1989, sale of Warner shares.

Excluding Warner gain amounts, nine month net income increased to $93,307,000, or $3.19 per share, from last year's $12,674,000, or $.42 per share. A 13 percent increase in operating revenues more than offset a 9 percent increase in programming expenses, increasing television station earnings by 51 percent. Accordingly, operating income rose to $18,764,000 from last year's $863,000, after the 1989 charge of $10,000,000 for a retroactive management fee payment. Interest and other income increased to $114,720,000 from last year's $19,207,000, reflecting larger average cash balances and dividends recorded on Time Warner convertible preferred stock.

BHC operates seven television stations, two wholly owned and five owned by its 50.8 percent owned subsidiary, United Television, Inc. With four stations in the nation's top 20 markets and all but two in the top 30, BHC's broadcast signals reach over 10 percent of the country's population.

Chris-Craft Industries, Inc. owns all of BHC's Class B common shares, which at Sept. 30, 1990, represented 62.4 percent of BHC's outstanding equity and 94.4 percent of BHC's voting power. BHC's Class A common shares, which represent the balance of BHC's outstanding equity and voting power, trade on the American Stock Exchange.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Chris-Craft Industries, Inc. (NYSE: CCN) today reported third quarter net income of $17,991,000, or $.70 per share. Last year's third quarter net income, which included a net gain of approximately $454 million on the sale of 63 percent of Chris-Craft's former interest in Warner Communications Inc., totaled $462,877,000, or $17.85 per share. Excluding the Warner gain from last year's results, this year's net income rose 109 percent from last year's $8,603,000, or $.33 per share, reflecting income earned on cash and marketable securities held by Chris-Craft's television broadcasting subsidiary, BHC Communications, Inc., as

well as significantly increased television station earnings.

Herbert J. Siegel, Chris-Craft chairman and president, stated, "While demand for television advertising continued to vary significantly among our markets, the surprisingly strong revenue growth achieved during the first half of 1990 continued through the third quarter. The resulting 13 percent increase in television division operating revenues, coupled with flat programming costs, produced a 173 percent increase in the division's operating income, and raised consolidated third quarter operating income to $7,440,000 from last year's $2,332,000."

Interest and other income increased to $37,283,000 from $19,869,000 in last year's third quarter, reflecting interest earned on BHC cash and dividends recorded on Time Warner Inc. convertible preferred stock held by BHC. BHC's cash balances were substantially augmented in August 1989, upon the sale of 63 percent of its interest in Warner. In January 1990, BHC exchanged its remaining Warner shares, primarily for Time Warner convertible preferred stock pursuant to the Time/Warner merger.

Interest expense declined substantially from last year's third quarter, reflecting payment in 1989 of all but $19 million of long-term debt.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $273,990,000, or $10.63 per share, compared to net income of $467,599,000, or $18.16 per share, in last year's corresponding period. Approximately $220 million of 1990 net income reflects Chris-Craft's gain, after income taxes and minority interest, on the exchange of BHC's remaining Warner interest, and approximately $454 million of 1989 net income reflects a similar gain on BHC's August 1989, sale of Warner shares.

Excluding Warner gain amounts, nine month net income increased to $54,020,000, or $2.08 per share, from last year's $13,325,000, or $.50 per share. Operating income nearly doubled, to $14,990,000 from last year's $7,500,000, primarily reflecting a 58 percent increase in television division operating income. Interest and other income increased to $116,234,000 from last year's $23,374,000, reflecting larger average cash balances and dividends recorded on Time Warner convertible preferred stock.

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PORTLAND, ORE. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Oregon Steel Mills Inc. (NYSE: OS) reported net income of $7.1 million (44 cents per share on 16 million common shares) for the third quarter of 1990 on record sales and shipments of $89.7 million and 148,700 tons, respectively.

This compares to net income of $5 million (32 cents per share on 15.8 million common shares), on sales of $55.2 million from shipments of 90,900 tons in the third quarter of 1989.

Common shares outstanding and per-share amounts reflect the two for one stock split that was paid on Oct. 11.

Third-quarter operating income increased 55 percent to $11.7 million in 1990 from $7.6 million in 1989 as sales increased 62.6 percent to $89.7 million from $55.2 million on the 63.6 percent increase in tonnage shipped.

The operating profit margin for the third quarter of 1990 was 13.1 percent as compared to 13.7 percent in the third quarter of 1989 and 16.3 percent in the second quarter of 1990. Margins in the third quarter of 1990 were negatively impacted by lower price realizations in the company's steel plate business. This weakness was partially offset by record sales of steel plate and continued demand for the company's large diameter line pipe products.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income increased 42.6 percent to $22.2 million ($1.39 per share on 16 million common shares) from $15.6 million (99 cents per share on 15.7 million common shares) for the similar period in 1989. Sales for the nine month period increased 40.1 percent to $242.8 million from $173.2 million in 1989 as shipments of the company's steel products increased to 394,700 tons from 299,900 tons. Net income, sales and shipments for the first nine months of 1990 were the highest in the company's history.

Increased shipments for the first nine months of 1990 were the result of the company's start up in December 1989 of the newly acquired Fontana plate mill. Prior to the Fontana plate mill start up, the company's steel plate finishing capacity was limited to the output from the company's Portland steel mill.

Oregon Steel Mills Inc. owns and operates a steel minimill in Portland, Ore., and a steel plate rolling mill in Fontana, Calif., which produce hot-rolled carbon, high-strength low alloy, heat treated and alloy steel plate, and a steel pipe mill in Napa, Calif., that produces large diameter oil and natural gas transmission line pipe.

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ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Odetics (AMEX: OA, OB) announces the addition of three new image-processing products for the security industry to the product offering of its Gyyr division. Representing the most sophisticated and widest range of image-processing products marketed by one company to the security industry, Odetics' new SurveillanceWare product family advances the current state of image enhancement, surveillance and image storage/retrieval

for security applications.

The core technology for these and future Odetics image-processing products was developed by Pixie Intelligent Computer Systems, the Norway-based, world leader in image-processing technology. Odetics recently entered into a business agreement with Pixie that gives Odetics exclusive North American rights to Pixie's technology and products for security applications.

Odetics' new SurveillanceWare SW1000 Digital Video Enhancer is a professional image-processing package that improves photos and video images. Advanced features include sharpening, intelligent resizing and full control of each pixel within an image. A pixel refers to the smallest unit of video information on a computer screen.

The SW1000 supports a scanner or video camera input, providing system flexibility. Image frames are captured in 1/50th of a second, making the system the fastest available image enhancement device.

Enhanced images can be either viewed on a monitor or as a hard copy. SW1000 print outs are user-selectable to standard laser printers, film recorders or high-resolution, half-tone printers.

Using the SW2000, pictures can be transmitted over a standard telephone line using a modem. Special applications that draw upon the speed and accuracy of this feature include swapping images from different databases such as those created by banks and casinos.

False Alarms a Thing of the Past with Digital Zone Analyzer: The new SurveillanceWare SW3000 Digital Zone Analyzer represents a new generation of surveillance and safety control systems. Combining intelligent scene analysis, image storage/retrieval and transmission to any location in seconds, the SW3000 allows the user to define the ultimate flexibility in alarm zone definition. The ability to be very specific regarding the size and sensitivity of an alarm zone is very important to the security industry. With the SW3000, each pixel can be defined as an individual alarm zone.

Odetics, headquartered in Anaheim, is a leading manufacturer of intelligent machines, including information systems, for collecting digital and analog data, as well as robotic and artificial intelligence systems.

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ST. PAUL, MINN. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Ecolab Inc. (NYSE: ECL) announced record earnings of $0.91 per share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 36 percent increase over earnings of $0.67 per share for the same period one

year ago.

Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $1.30 per share, a 59 percent increase over earnings of $0.82 per share last year. Ecolab's earnings for the first nine months of 1990 on a pro forma basis, excluding the preferred stock issuance and stock repurchase program, would have been $1.33 per share. The preferred stock issuance and stock repurchase program are expected to have a neutral effect on earnings per share for the full year.

Third quarter revenues increased 5 percent to $388 million from $370 million last year. For the nine-month period, revenues increased 7 percent to $1.03 billion from $965 million last year.

Ecolab Services Group revenues of $175 million for the quarter increased 12 percent from $156 million last year. For the nine-month period, revenues increased 11 percent to $499 million from $448 million last year. All divisions contributed to the strong quarter and year-to-date revenue growth. Third-quarter operating income of $30 million was up 24 percent from $24 million for the same period last year. Year-to-date operating income of $79 million also increased 24 percent from $64 million last year. The increases were due primarily to revenue growth, favorable changes in the product mix, improved profitability of the Pest Elimination and Textile Care businesses, and improved margins. Henkel's North American cleaning and sanitizing business, acquired in April this year, has been successfully integrated into the Group's Klenzade operations and is exceeding expectations.

ChemLawn third-quarter revenues were $129 million compared with $139 million in 1989. ChemLawn's higher 1989 third-quarter revenues resulted in part from a larger residential customer base and the impact of bringing production back on schedule after significant delays that spring. For the nine-month period, revenues were $288 million compared with $295 million last year. The lower revenues reflected a reduced residential customer base, offset partially by commercial account growth. Third-quarter operating income of $13 million was approximately $1 million less than third quarter 1989 operating income. ChemLawn's operating loss for the nine-month period of $(7) million is an improvement over 1989's $(10) million operating loss. ChemLawn's improved performance in 1990 is due to cost reductions, increased productivity and strong commercial sales growth, partially offset by the reduced residential customer base.

Ecolab is a leading worldwide developer and marketer of premium cleaning, sanitizing and maintenance services for the hospitality, institutional and residential markets. For the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, Ecolab reported sales of $1.3 billion and earnings of $34.2 million, after preferred dividends, or $1.25 per share, excluding a one-time charge of $(31.5) million, or $(1.15) per share. Ecolab shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange under the symbol ECL.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Network Systems Corporation (NASDAQ: NSCO) today announced unaudited results for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues for the period were $40,034,000, up 18 percent from revenues of $33,856,000 for the 1989 third quarter. Net income for the period was $5,322,000, or $.18 per share, up 21 percent from $4,392,000, or $.15 per share, earned in the comparable 1989 period.

Revenues for the nine months were $116,172,000, up 17 percent from $99,019,000 for the equivalent 1989 period. Net income for the period was $14,561,000, or $.49 per share, a 51 percent increase over the $9,669,000, or $.33 per share, earned for the 1989 nine-month period.

Product sales for the third quarter were $28.2 million, up 18 percent from $23.8 million last year, and included approximately $17 million of HYPERchannel-DX units. Product gross margin was 67 percent, compared with 66 percent last year. Service revenues for the quarter, principally maintenance contracts on installed equipment, were $11.8 million, an 18 percent increase over $10.0 million for the 1989 quarter. The gross margin on service revenues increased about one percentage point to 28 percent.

Lyle D. Altman, president and chairman, said that international sales of products and services accounted for 53 percent of the quarter's revenues. Significant revenue gains over last year's quarter were achieved in Europe, Canada, and Japan, excluding a revenue increase realized from the translation of strong foreign currencies into U.S. dollars. U.S. business, however, was lower than year-ago levels.

Commenting further, Altman said that quarter's results included revenue of approximately $272,000 from a development contract that resulted from a competitive selection by Carnegie Mellon University for the development of high-performance networks. This work is expected to continue for about two years and is part of Nectar, a project partially funded by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA). This federal agency has engaged Carnegie Mellon to research parallel computing, network-based multicomputers and very large scale operating systems.

Network Systems Corporation, based in Minneapolis, makes high-performance data communications systems. The company's stock in traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

NETWORK SYSTEMS CORPORATION
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Unaudited) (In thousands, except per-share amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Total revenues	$40,034	$33,856	$116,172	$99,019
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of revenues	17,852	15,590	51,511	46,500
Marketing, general and administrative	12,637	10,350	38,291	32,404
Research and development	4,270	3,532	12,132	12,083
Total costs and expenses	34,759	29,472	101,934	90,987
Income from operations	5,275	4,384	14,238	8,032
Interest:				
Income	3,212	2,770	9,131	7,698
Expense	(215)	(202)	(608)	(426)
Net interest income	2,997	2,568	8,523	7,272
Income before income taxes	8,272	6,952	22,761	15,304
Income taxes	2,950	2,560	8,200	5,635
Net income	$5,322	$4,392	$14,561	$9,669
Net income per common and common equivalent share	$.18	$.15	$.49	$.33
Average common and common equivalent shares	29,785	29,514	29,751	29,527

NETWORK SYSTEMS CORPORATION

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands)

	9/30/90	12/31/89 (a)
Assets:	(Unaudited)	
Cash and short-term investments, and marketable securities	$77,918	$96,708
Trade receivables, net	49,956	48,929
Other receivables	5,660	5,260
Inventories	17,880	13,732
Other current assets	8,553	7,221
Total current assets	159,967	171,850
Net property, plant, and equipment	26,557	24,170
Marketable securities	77,456	50,967
Other assets	16,686	16,513
Total	$280,666	$263,500
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity:		
Current liabilities	$25,205	$25,799
Deferred revenue	6,000	7,500
Long-term debt	2,871	2,893
Deferred compensation	5,664	4,433
Deferred income taxes	2,730	2,730
Total stockholders' equity	238,196	220,145
Total	$280,666	$263,500

(a) The balance sheet at Dec. 31, 1989, has been condensed from the audited

financial statements.

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DETROIT (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - FirstFed Michigan Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: FFOM), the holding company of First Federal of Michigan, today reported net earnings of $10.3 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, double its $5.1 million in earnings for the comparable period last year. On a per share basis, net earnings this quarter were $.93 ($.87 fully diluted), versus $.46 ($.44 fully diluted) in 1989.

Net earnings for the year to date totaled $22.5 million, up 51 percent from $14.9 million for the first nine months of 1989. Net earnings per share were $2.02 ($1.91 fully diluted) for the first three quarters of 1990, compared with $1.34 ($1.29 fully diluted) for the corresponding period a year ago.

Year-to-date net earnings brought FirstFed's stockholders' equity to a new high of $455.1 million, up from $437.4 million at the end of 1989. Book value per share increased $1.41 in the period to $40.95.

"We continue to feel very positive about our operating performance so far this year," FirstFed Chairman C. Gene Harling said. "Our third- quarter earnings were the best we've achieved since mid-1988. The continued improvement in net yield and tight control of operating costs have resulted in increased core earnings."

He also stated that First Federal of Michigan, the company's thrift subsidiary meets the regulatory capital requirements in effect at Sept. 30, with a tangible ratio of 3.19 percent, a leverage ratio of 3.72 percent, and a risk-based ratio of 10.83 percent.

Net yield on FirstFed's interest-earning assets increased to 1.12 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, from .75 percent at the end of 1989. Interest-earning assets exceeded interest-bearing liabilities by $516 million at Sept. 30, up from $438 million at Dec. 31, 1989.

Net interest income for the third quarter of 1990 was $26.2 million, up 174 percent over the same period in 1989. General and administrative expenses were $22.6 million, giving the company a coverage ratio of 116 percent. FirstFed's third-quarter expenses, annualized, were only .80 percent of average assets for the third quarter.

FirstFed recognized $6.0 million on standby mortgage-backed security commitments in the third quarter of 1990 and $15.4 million in the year to date versus $3.0 million and $9.0 million in 1989. Other operating income for the

current quarter included a $2.9 million final installment from the sale of mortgage servicing rights earlier this year. Gains on the sale of assets for the third quarter of 1990 declined to $1.9 million from $13.6 million for the year-ago period.

Extraordinary items in this year's third quarter consisted of an after-tax charge of $260,000 from the early retirement of debt. In the comparable 1989 quarter, FirstFed had an extraordinary charge of $934,000 from redemption of its subordinated capital note issue.

Nonperforming assets at the end of the third quarter were only $30.6 million, or .27 percent of total assets. The loan loss reserve was $23.2 million, primarily in general reserves.

The company originated mortgage loans totaling $158 million during the third quarter of 1990, compared with $191 million in the same period last year. FirstFed's portfolio of loans and mortgage-backed securities totaled $8.3 billion at Sept. 30, versus $9.0 billion at the end of 1989. The overall portfolio remains primarily single-family residential, with 90 percent in one-to-four family lending. Commercial real estate represents $635 million, or 8 percent of the portfolio. Other loans, primarily on mobile homes, are 2 percent of the portfolio.

FirstFed Michigan Corporation will pay a third-quarter dividend of $.15 per share on Nov. 15 to common stockholders of record on Oct. 10. It has paid consecutive quarterly dividends since the first quarter of 1986.

The company's First Federal of Michigan subsidiary is a Detroit- based savings and loan association with 74 offices in the Lower Peninsula of Michigan. First Federal's Bay Savings Bank subsidiary, based in Newport News, Va., operates nine offices in Virginia, and its Omni Savings Bank subsidiary has four offices in Columbia, S. C.

FIRSTFED MICHIGAN CORPORATION
Consolidated Statements of Operations

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
(in thousands, except per-share data)	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest income:				
Loans and mortgage-backed securities	$208,831	230,809	642,141	689,973
Investments	50,978	40,632	137,011	129,065
Total interest income	259,809	271,441	779,152	819,038
Interest expense:				
Deposits	82,407	96,883	261,810	294,134
Borrowings	151,214	164,994	439,790	495,267
Total interest				

expense	233,621	261,877	701,600	789,401
Net interest income	26,188	9,564	77,552	29,637
Provision for losses	1,899	496	4,646	3,216
Net interest income after provision for losses	24,289	9,068	72,906	26,421
Other income:				
Loan fees and service charges	6,694	3,802	17,393	11,295
Other operating income	4,888	3,140	11,778	6,330
Gains on sales of investment securities, net	-	1,727	-	14,486
Gains on sales of loans and mortgage-backed securities, net	1,947	11,907	5,260	13,779
Real estate operations	918	984	1,664	1,444
Total other income	14,447	21,560	36,095	47,334
Earnings before general and administrative expenses	38,736	30,628	109,001	73,755
General and administrative expenses:				
Compensation and employee benefits	11,554	10,834	35,331	35,477
Office occupancy	2,339	2,318	6,856	6,589
Federal deposit insurance	2,199	2,174	6,531	6,801
Other	5,623	5,420	18,722	16,356
Amortization of goodwill	920	916	4,723	2,749
Total general and administrative expenses	22,635	21,662	72,163	67,972
Earnings before federal income taxes and extraordinary items	16,101	8,966	36,838	5,783
Federal income taxes	5,495	2,960	12,980	2,930
Earnings before extraordinary items	10,606	6,006	23,858	2,853
Extraordinary items, net of federal income tax	(260)	(934)	(1,397)	12,016
Net earnings	$ 10,346	5,072	22,461	14,869
Net earnings per share:				
Primary:				
Earnings before				

extraordinary items	$.95	.54	2.15	.26
Net earnings	.93	.46	2.02	1.34
Fully diluted:				
Earnings before extraordinary items	.89	.52	2.02	.32
Net earnings	.87	.44	1.91	1.29

FIRSTFED MICHIGAN CORPORATION

Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition

(in thousands)	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Assets		
Cash	$ 64,965	81,049
Federal funds sold	298,000	390,000
Investment securities (market value $2,084,000-1990, $1,498,000-1989):		
U.S. government and agency securities	1,199,040	1,203,102
Collateralized mortgage obligations	714,164	181,784
Corporate notes and commercial paper	193,778	115,814
Certificates of deposit	26,138	30,822
Total investment securities	2,133,120	1,531,522
Mortgage-backed securities (market value $4,374,000-1990, $4,890,000-1989)	4,381,388	4,876,555
Loans receivable:		
Real estate loans	3,682,322	3,903,642
Other loans	205,100	224,985
Total loans receivable	3,887,422	4,128,627
Accrued interest receivable	85,853	100,511
Real estate	13,198	15,470
Premises and equipment	61,286	65,432
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	114,204	156,914
Goodwill	57,369	62,092
Other assets	66,919	82,222
	$11,163,724	11,490,394
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Deposits:		
Checking accounts	$ 205,711	222,304
Money market accounts	312,761	378,913
Regular accounts	471,872	492,077
Certificate accounts	2,942,413	3,253,886
Total deposits	3,932,757	4,347,180
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank	2,044,033	2,250,533
Reverse repurchase agreements	4,080,676	3,812,899
Other borrowings	258,796	268,905

Accrued interest payable	218,633	185,698
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	63,369	30,169
Liability for checks and money orders issued	21,655	76,134
Federal income taxes payable, principallthorized 100,000,000 shares; issued 11,113,027 shares-1990, 11,062,610 shares-1989	112	111
Paid-in capital	82,422	81,726
Retained earnings	372,525	355,553
Total stockholders' equity	455,059	437,390
	$11,163,724	11,490,394

FIRSTFED MICHIGAN CORPORATION

Statistical Data

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Book value per share	$40.95	39.54
Shares outstanding	11,113,027	11,062,610
Weighted average yield on:		
Loans receivable	10.37%	10.30%
Mortgage-backed securities	9.59	9.52
Investments	8.04	7.59
All interest-earning assets	9.50	9.45
Weighted average cost of:		
Deposits	7.89%	8.32%
Borrowings	9.37	9.55
All interest-bearing liabilities	8.81	9.05
Net yield on interest-earning assets	1.12%	.75%
Repricing gap as a percent of interest-earning assets:		
One year	(11.00)%	(19.00)%
Five year	(3.00)	11.00
Ratio of nonperforming assets to total assets	.27%	.21%

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Return on average assets (annualized)	.36%	.17%	.26%	.16%
Return on average equity (annualized)	9.17	4.73	6.72	4.63
Average equity to average assets	3.98	3.59	3.91	3.55
Weighted average yield on:				
Loans receivable	10.38%	10.07%	10.29%	10.08%

Mortgage-backed securities	9.50	9.46	9.52	9.43
Investments	7.86	7.65	7.62	7.70
All interest-earning assets	9.43	9.36	9.39	9.35
Weighted average cost of:				
Deposits	8.06%	8.56%	8.16%	8.43%
Borrowings	9.47	10.01	9.32	10.02
All interest-bearing liabilities	8.92	9.42	8.85	9.36
Net yield on interest-earning assets	.95%	.33%	.93%	.34%
Average interest-earning assets (in millions)	$11,019	11,599	11,062	11,679

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HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Northeast Federal Corp. (NYSE: NSB), the holding company for Northeast Savings, F.A., today reported net income of $2.7 million for the second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, resulting in primary and fully diluted net income of ten cents per common share after preferred stock dividend requirements.

This is the first time since the quarter ended June 30, 1988 that Northeast has generated net income per common share. The significantly improved second quarter results compare with net income of $311,000 or a primary and fully diluted net loss per common share of 32 cents after preferred stock dividend requirements reported for the same quarter last year by Northeast Savings.

At the same time, Northeast announced that with risk-based capital at 7.76 percent of risk weighted assets at Sept. 30, 1990, it is in compliance not only with the current risk-based capital requirement of 6.4 percent, but also with the more stringent risk-based capital ratio of 7.2 percent required effective Dec. 31, 1990.

In addition, at Sept. 30, 1990 Northeast is also in compliance with all other capital requirements, with tangible capital of 1.77 percent and core capital at 3.27 percent compared with regulatory requirements of 1.50 percent and 3.00 percent, respectively.

George P. Rutland, Chairman, stated, "In the fall of 1988, shortly after I joined Northeast as its Chief Executive Officer, we implemented a strategy designed to return Northeast to the basic strengths of a traditional thrift, namely retail deposit gathering and residential mortgage lending.

"This strategy is now paying off for us, resulting in the compliance in July with current capital requirements mandated by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA), the early compliance with the Dec. 31, 1990 risk-based capital standard established by the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), and finally in our generating net income per common share this quarter for the first time in over two years."

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $5.0 billion, unchanged from March 31, 1990 and down from $6.3 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. Current asset size is consistent with the company's plan to comply with the thrift capital requirements mandated by FIRREA, and was primarily achieved through reductions in the company's portfolios of high-yield corporate bonds, mortgage-backed securities, and consumer loans.

Northeast's divestiture of high yield corporate bonds has resulted in a decrease in this portfolio from $77.7 million at Sept. 30, 1989 to $4.8 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: George P. Rutland, chairman of the board, president and CEO, (203) 280-1100; or Kirk W. Walters, senior executive vice president and CFO, (203) 280-1183, both of Northeast Savings.

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ROCKAWAY, NJ (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Two internationally prominent companies - Kvaerner A/S Group and Asea Brown Boveri (ABB) - have agreed to participate in the financing and managing of the Mt. Hope Waterpower Project.

Kvaerner, through its Stamford, Connecticut-based Kvaerner Hydro Power Inc., and ABB, through its Delaware subsidiary, ABB Rockaway Inc., bring to the development of the planned pumped storage hydroelectric facility what Mt. Hope Hydro Inc. (MHHI) Chairman Paul Rodzianko termed "an additional infusion of financing and world-class Scandinavian know-how."

The companies have entered into an agreement with MHHI, the license applicant's subsidiary that manages the project on behalf of the Halecrest Company of Edison, N.J. Halecrest has applied to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for a license to build and operate the project. The Mt. Hope Waterpower Project will have the capacity to supply 2,000 megawatts of electric power to meet peak demand for the Northeast.

MHHI has been named the project's general partner under the terms of the new agreement. In return for a commitment to finance project activities, Kvaerner and ABB have become limited partners, along with others, including Hydropower Development HPD KB of Sweden.

In connection with the agreement, Frank S. Fisher has been elected president and project manager of MHHI. He previously served as managing director of Boving Newton Chambers Limited, one of Kvaerner's British companies, which manufactures large hydraulic valves and water control gates for hydroelectric and other applications.

"Kvaerner and ABB are delighted to be participating in this project," said Fisher. "It presents an opportunity to develop a world- class hydroelectric facility in a part of the United States that has a tremendous need for additional peak power." He also stated that the project will increase the efficiency of already-existing resources, while reducing American dependence on foreign oil.

Kvaerner A/S Group is one of Norway's largest engineering and manufacturing concerns, with about 16,000 employees worldwide and annual sales of approximately $2 billion in 1989. Its subsidiary, Kvaerner Hydro Power, is one of the world's leading water turbine suppliers with more than 80,000 megawatts of installed capacity in operation.

Its U.S. affiliate, Kvaerner Hydro Power, Inc., provides engineering, supplies project management, and other services for the U.S. market from its West Coast facility in San Francisco, California.

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BOCA RATON, FL (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Products, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CPRD) an electronics manufacturer based in Boca Raton, Fla., today reported third quarter net income of $1.5 million, or seven cents per share, on sales of $26.1 million. For the same period in 1989, the company reported $1.9 million, or nine cents per share, on sales of $29.7 million.

For the nine-month period ending Sept. 28, 1990 the company reported net income of $4.4 million, or 22 cents per share, on sales of $83.1 million, compared to net income of $4.9 million, or 24 cents per share, on sales of $91.2 million reported during the same period last year.

Despite a fall-off in revenues, the company reported third quarter gross margins of 38.2 percent, identical to the second quarter of 1990 and only one-half percentage point lower than the figure reported during the third quarter of 1989.

Expenses declined by $1 million compared to the same period last year, but increased slightly as a percentage of sales, primarily the result of continued product and sales development programs.

Orders during the third quarter decreased to $17.8 million due both to seasonal factors and further softening in the company's power supply business. As a result, the company expects a fourth quarter revenue decline but also expects to remain profitable. Based on scheduled backlog, first quarter 1991 revenues are expected to show improvement over fourth quarter 1990 revenues.

The company reported an increase in cash and short-term investments to $36.7 million. Inventories and receivables also improved, compared to the previous quarter and the third quarter of 1989. Overall, the balance sheet continues to improve, with current ratio now at 3.8.

"We are combating the economic downturn in our industries through adjustments in our workforce and other effective cost-control measures aimed at sustaining profitability.

"At the same time, we are committing resources to research and development and sales development programs that will improve our competitiveness and long-term revenue growth," said John N. Lemasters, chairman, president, and chief executive officer of Computer Products, Inc. "We believe we are gaining market share in most of our product lines, despite a decline in revenues," he added.

Lemasters also said Computer Products' excellent cash structure puts the company in a position to expand its R & D programs and look for acquisitions or other alliances that will improve the value of the company. "Our organizational structure, management team and cash position are now stronger than ever. We believe these strengths will become apparent as economic conditions improve," he said.

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#90291p6413 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Lew R. Wasserman, chairman of the board of MCA Inc. (NYSE: MCA), today announced that for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, the company reported record third quarter and first nine month revenues.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was higher than in the comparable period of 1989 and set a record for the nine months.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $1,061,297,000 compared to $894,422,000 for 1989. Net income was $61,416,000 or $.71 per share compared to $50,824,000 or $.69 per share for 1989, while operating income was $122,359,000 compared to $125,411,000 and income from continuing operations

was $61,416,000 compared to $62,677,000. Net income increased 21 percent for 1990, while operating income and income from continuing operations decreased 2 percent. The weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares used in the determination of earnings per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, was 91,999,828 and 73,298,561, respectively. The 1990 calculation of earnings per share include the equivalent common shares for the company's Series B convertible preferred shares issued during the second quarter of 1990 in connection with the acquisition of The David Geffen Company and for the company's $500 million of convertible subordinated debentures.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $2,924,185,000 compared to $2,426,024,000 for 1989. Net income was $137,775,000 or $1.70 per share compared to $120,137,000 or $1.64 per share for 1989, while operating income was $285,438,000 compared to $288,536,000 and income from continuing operations was $137,775,000 compared to $133,136,000. Net income increased 15 percent for 1990, while operating income decreased 1 percent compared to the prior year and income from continuing operations increased 3 percent. The weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares used in the determination of earnings per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, was 81,210,911 and 73,194,740, respectively. The 1990 calculation of earnings per share includes the weighted average number of equivalent common shares for the company's above mentioned convertible preferred shares.

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#90291p6414 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOHEMIA, NY (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Symbol Technolnologies, Inc. (NYSE: SBL), the leading manufacturer of portable bar code date capture systems, today reported results for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30 1990.

Revenues for the quarter were $62,302,000 compared to $61,058,000 in the corresponding year-earlier period. Net income was $3,382,000 ($.15 per share) compared with $6,716,000 ($.31 per share) for the quarter ended September 30, 1989. Weighted average shares outstanding, fully-diluted, for the quarter were 22,600,000 in 1990 and 21,809,000 in 1989.

Revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 were $168,592,000 compared with $175,294,000 in the corresponding year-earlier nine-month epriod. Nine-month net income was $5,003,000 ($.22 per share), compared with net income of $18,128,000 ($.89 per share) in the year-earlier nine-month period. Weighted average shares outstanding, fully-diluted, for the nine-month period were 22,741,000 in 1990 and 20,311,000 in 1989.

"The third quarter earnings were up substantially from the second quarter due

to continued growth of worldwide scanner sales," said Dr. Jerome Swartz, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer. "Revenues increased significantly over the second quarter as a results of strong scanner shipments to both retail and non-retail markets despite a decline in protable terminal shipments.

"However, for the fourth quarter, terminal sales are exepcted to accelerate due to new product shipments. We expect scanner revenues for the fourth quarter to be up significantly over last year, but below this quarter because of the slowdown in scanner pruchases by retailers during the Christmas qaurter " said Ray Martino, President and Chief Operating Officer.

Symbol Technologies, Inc. is the world leader in bar code-based date capture systems with over one million scanners and terminals installed. The Company designs, manufactures and markets bar code reading equipment, portable data terminals and radio frequency data communications products which are used as strategic building blocks in data collection systems for retail, manufacturing distribution, military, health care and many other applications.

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#90291p6417 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ZEELAND, MICH. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Gentex Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: GNTX) today announced financial results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales in the third quarter of $5.2 million decreased by 8.8 percent over the $5.7 million reported for the same period last year. Net income decreased 26.2 percent to $305,000, or 4 cents per share, compared with the $413,000, or 6 cents per share, recorded for the 1989 third quarter.

Year-to-date sales totaled $15.9 million, a decrease of 9.1 percent over the $17.5 million reported for the first nine months of last year. Net income decreased 39.6 percent to $888,000, or 12 cents per share, compared to the $1.47 million, or 23 cents per share reported for the same period last year.

Gentex Executive Vice President Kenneth LaGrand said he was somewhat disappointed in the third-quarter results and attributes the lesser sales to the soft automotive industry. However, he was pleased that the third-quarter results showed an increase in sales and net income over the second quarter of 1990. Gentex reported sales of $4.9 million with net income of $153,000, or 2 cents per share, for the second quarter of 1990.

"The increase from second to third quarter in sales and net income is largely due to the changeover to the 1991 model year," LaGrand said. "Although we lost volume with some of our customers because of declining automotive sales and the decreased option rate on some vehicles, we gained some of that back with

the model-year changeover.

"As automotive vehicle production rates continue to recover, we hope to recoup some of the unit sales we have lost year to date because of the slump in the automotive industry."

LaGrand said that as of the start of the fourth quarter, automotive release schedules for automatic mirrors showed an increase of about 12 percent over the same period last year. The company shipped 107,000 automatic mirrors in the fourth quarter of 1989.

However, LaGrand cautioned that the unsettled conditions in the Middle East and the state of the U.S. economy could still cause further disruptions in automotive industry production schedules.

Gentex Corporation develops, manufactures and markets proprietary electro-optical products: interior/exterior electrochromic and motorized automatic mirrors for the automotive industry and an extensive line of fire protection products for commercial applications. Shares of Gentex common stock are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol GNTX.

GENTEX CORPORATION
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$5,204,593	$5,708,658	$15,932,575	$17,530,264
Cost of goods sold	3,538,790	3,950,035	10,784,973	11,950,201
Income before taxes	375,518	596,230	1,094,554	2,208,168
Provision for income taxes	71,000	183,000	207,000	735,000
Net income	304,518	413,230	887,554	1,473,168
Earnings per share	$.04	$.06	$.12	$.23
Weighted average shares outstdg.	7,640,653	6,656,162	7,646,625	6,303,977

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited)

	Sept. 30 1990	Dec. 31 1989
Assets		
Cash and short-term investments	$12,977,420	$14,137,834
Other current assets	5,829,809	5,978,943
Total current assets	18,807,229	20,116,777
Plant and equipment-net	9,066,390	8,002,675
Unexpended bond proceeds and		

other assets	6,126,078	4,409,971
Total assets	$33,999,697	$32,529,423
Liabilities and shareholders' investment		
Current liabilities	$2,095,014	$1,854,077
Long-term debt	6,104,952	6,114,017
Deferred income taxes	282,854	312,232
Shareholders' investment	25,516,877	24,249,097
Total liabilities and shareholders' investment	$33,999,697	$32,529,423

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#90291p6418 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUDSON, MASS. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Artel Communications Corporation today signed a Master Purchase Agreement with Teleport Communications Group, Inc. This agreement specifies Teleport Communications purchases for Artel's fiber optic SL3000 video transmission products: the modular chassis, video transmitters/ receivers, audio modulators/demodulators and alarm control units.

The Teleport Communications Group installs, maintains, and upgrades network systems that run over its private fiber optic lines to provide multi-service video, voice and data networking services to its customers. Teleport already uses the Artel Communications SL3000 system to transmit high-quality video signals from major television networks and international news services to uplink satellites located on Staten Island.

This new two-year Master Purchase Agreement expands the Artel/Teleport business relationship and helps Teleport continue to support video services customers in New York and Boston with the Artel SL3000 system. Teleport also anticipates expanding to provide services in the Chicago, Houston, San Francisco, and Los Angeles metropolitian areas to capitalize on the burgeoning demand for video transmission services for video conferencing, remote surveillance networks, studio to satellite links, and imaging applications.

Artel Communications Corporation is a manufacturer of high-speed fiber optic communications systems. Artel's video/graphics products provide high-quality signal transmission for broadcasting, computer graphics, and teleport applications. The FiberWay(R) LAN networking product provides multi-service networking capabilities for more than 1,500 systems worldwide.

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#90291p6424 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA BARBARA, CALIF. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard A. Auhll, president and chairman, today announced that the first nine months of 1990 set new all time Circon (NASDAQ-NMS: CCON) records for sales and gross profit. Moreover, nine month 1990 net income and earnings per share are up over 700 percent over the same 1989 period.

Sales for the third quarter 1990 were a record setting $12.8 million. Gross profit increased to $6.4 million, an all time high. Gross profit as a percentage of sales reached 50.2 percent, a post- acquisition record.

Third quarter 1990 operating income grew 30 percent to $669,000 and net income rose to $249,000. Earnings per share grew to 5 cents.

The rapidly developing minimally invasive surgical markets, coupled with Circon's solid franchise in the United States urology market, should provide excellent opportunities for future operating income growth.

Circon has introduced a complete new line of medical instrumentation specifically designed to allow the general surgeon to remove the gall bladder endoscopically using a new procedure called Video Laparascopic Cholecystectomy.

The surgeon performs the procedure through the navel and three small puncture wounds in the abdomen, while viewing the operation through a miniature video camera attached to a laparoscope.

This minimally invasive procedure results in significantly reduced patient trauma, better healing, much faster recovery, often no hospital stay and at half the cost of traditional procedures. This is due to much smaller incisions and reduced tissue damage.

Circon develops, manufactures and markets endoscope systems and ultraminiature video systems for medical and industrial applications and is the largest United States producer of medical endoscopes and video systems.

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#90291p6427 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DARIEN, CT (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Bowater Incorporated (NYSE: BOW) today reported that its 1990 third quarter sale and income were slightly improved over those of the 1990 second quarter, although still below those of the comparable period of 1989.

Income for the three months ended Sept. 29, 1990 of $23.7 million ($0.63 per share) on sales of $346.6 million compared to net income of $35.5 million ($0.95 per share) on sales of $360.1 million in the third quarter of 1989, and

to $23.2 million ($0.61 per share) on sales of $342.3 million in the second quarter of 1990.

Second quarter income is stated before an extraordinary charge of $9.0 million ($0.25 per share) taken to cover premium and related costs incurred to retire the outstanding 12-3/8 percent Sinking Fund Debentures due 2015.

For the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990, income (before the extraordinary charge) of $69.1 million ($1.82 per share) on sales of $1,027.2 million compares to net income of $112.4 million ($3.00 per share) on sales of $1,082.3 million in the first nine months of 1989.

The effective tax rate for the year 1990 to date is 37.0 percent compared to 36.0 percent for 1989. With a strengthening balance sheet, total debt as a percentage of total capitalization at Sept. 29, 1990 was 24.1 percent compared to 28.2 percent one year earlier and 25.9 percent at the end of December, 1989.

"Price realizations for newsprint improved during the third quarter following the June first price increase," said A. P. Gammie, chairman and chief executive officer, "but not enough to offset the operating problems at the Calhoun, Tenn., Kraft mill and those arising from the modifications to the Nova Scotia paper machines to maximize the benefits of their all-thermomechanical-pulp furnish."

Pulp prices continued to weaken on the world markets although company volumes were improved by a slowly increasing stream of salable product from the Tennessee mill. Coated paper sales were almost unchanged from a year earlier as shipments made a marginal improvement. Meanwhile, the effects of a slowing economy and higher paper costs have reversed recent profitability gains in the communications papers segment.

"As usual, how the economy performs will affect our businesses significantly in the coming months. Increased energy costs do not have much effect on our mill operations but do impact on wood costs and distribution expenses," said Gammie. "On the plus side, continuing strikes in Canada are reducing the newsprint surplus; and the decline in the U.S. dollar will encourage increased exports at good levels of profitability."

Bowater Incorporated is a major manufacturer of newsprint, coated publication papers, bleached kraft market pulp, and a converter of communications papers for business.

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#90291p6428 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, NC (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - William E. Graham Jr., vice chairman of Carolina Power & Light (NYSE: CPL) has become chairman of the American Bar Association's Section of Public Utility, Communications and Transportation Law.

The section is the third oldest section of the Bar Association, and has a high tradition of quality service to its members, courts, commission, and the general Bar.

As vice chairman of CP&L, Graham has overall responsibility for legal, regulatory and information services; communications and public affairs; and customer and operating services groups. Headquartered in Raleigh, CP&L provides electricity to approximatley 970,000 customers in the Carolinas.

Graham is a 1952 graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, with an A.B. in Economics, and a 1956 graduate of the UNC Law School, where he received a J.D. with Honors.

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BARRIE, Ontario (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - InterTAN Inc. reported today that consolidated net sales increased 11.6 percent from $139,112,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990 to $155,187,000 during the first quarter of fiscal 1991. The company experienced a net loss for the current quarter of $1,263,000 compared to a net profit of $3,699,000 during the first quarter of the prior year. Based on 8,914,000 average outstanding common shares during the first quarter of fiscal 1991, the loss per share was $0.14 compared to a net income of $0.42 per share for the first quarter of fiscal 1990 using 8,815,000 average outstanding shares.

INTERTAN INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,			Twelve Months Ended Sept. 30,		
	1990	1989	PCT. CHNG.	1990	1989	PCT. CHNG.
	(Unaudited)			(Unaudited)		
Net sales	$155,187	$139,112	11.6	$699,910	$650,395	7.6
Other income	2,392	2,859		10,263	12,469	
	157,579	141,971		710,173	662,864	
Costs and expenses:						
Cost of products sold	81,732	71,033		357,258	312,175	
Selling, general and						

administrative expenses	76,198	62,857		304,526	274,870	
Depreciation and amortization	3,372	2,799		12,766	11,184	
Foreign currency transaction (gains)	(1,636)	(1,622)		(2,118)	(2,177)	
Interest expense, net	1,367	30		5,483	205	
	161,033	135,097		677,915	596,257	
Income (loss) before income taxes and extraordinary item	(3,454)	6,874	(150.2)	32,258	66,607	(51.6)
Net income (loss) per average common share	$ (0.14)	$ .42	(133.3)	$ 2.69	$ 4.62	(41.8)
Average common shares outstanding	8,914	8,815		8,899	8,812	

CONTACT: Garland P. Asher, vice president and treasurer of InterTAN Inc., 3226-607-050 (Brussels, Belgium).

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#90291p6430 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRENTWOOD, Tenn. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - United Cities Gas Co., (NASDAQ: UCIT), the Nashville area-based natural and propane gas distributor, announced today it has purchased the assets of Tri-City Gas Company in Chetopa, Kansas for approximately $800,000. The purchase comes less than a year after United Cities' acquisition of another Kansas utility, 65,000-customer Union Gas System, Inc.

"The Tri-City operation is adjacent to United Cities' present service area in southeastern Kansas and adds approximately 1,000 new customers," said Gene C. Koonce, president and chief executive officer. "We have been very pleased with the Union Gas properties we acquired last December and believe Kansas offers many opportunities for long-term growth."

Koonce pointed out that the company would continue to operate a branch office in Chetopa but will benefit from consolidating similar functions between the Tri-City operation and its Coffeyville, Kansas operation.

United Cities Gas Company has had a multi-state service area since its inception in the late 1920's and presently serves approximately 290,000

customers in parts of eleven states. The company is also engaged in other energy-related businesses.

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#90291p6431 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - National Westminster Bancorp (NatWest Bancorp) today reported a consolidated net loss of $36.3 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared with a net loss of $106.3 million in the previous quarter. For the nine months to Sept. 30, the cumulative net loss was $126.5 million.

In the third quarter of 1989, a net loss of $113.5 million was reported, along with a cumulative net loss of $55.5 million for the nine months to Sept. 30, 1989.

The 1990 third quarter and nine months included provisions for loan losses of $101.6 million and $305.1 million, respectively. Commenting on the results, William T. Knowles, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Although the third quarter figures were an improvement on those reported for the second quarter, our business continues to be affected by the recessionary pressures in the economy. In particular, the poor condition of the real estate market and a continuing decline in the quality of our project finance portfolio led us to believe that a further strengthening of our reserve position was prudent. We will continue to ensure that its level appropriately reflects market conditions."

Net interest income was $185.8 million in the third quarter of 1990 compared with $175.5 million in 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net interest income was $549.6 million, up 6 percent from $519.4 million a year ago. The increase in both periods was due to the inclusion of First National Bank of Central Jersey (Central Jersey), which was acquired on Aug. 18, 1989, as well as growth in domestic commercial and consumer loans and core deposits. Domestic loans grew by $1.5 billion from Sept. 30, 1989, to Sept. 30, 1990. Core deposits grew by $1.4 billion during the same period, with the passbook money market account, which was introduced in the fourth quarter of 1989, adding approximately $950 million. These gains were offset by an increase in domestic non-performing assets and a narrowing of interest rate spreads.

Net interest income on a tax equivalent basis as a percentage of average earning assets (net interest margin) was 3.93 percent in the third quarter and 3.95 percent for the first nine months of 1990 compared with 3.99 percent and 4.17 percent for the respective 1989 periods.

Non-interest income totalled $61.8 million in the third quarter of 1990, down from $75.8 million in 1989. For the nine months, non- interest income was

$192.7 million compared with $206.0 million a year ago. Income from deposit services increased, and there was also a benefit from the addition of Central Jersey. However, these were partially offset by declines in loan fee income and a lower level of gains from investment portfolio securities sales. In addition, there was a reduction in financial services fees following the sale of NatWest NJ's mutual fund processing business in the third quarter of 1989.

Operating expenses were $177.5 million in the third quarter of 1990 compared with $171.0 million in 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, operating expenses were $577.0 million in 1990 and $505.4 million in 1989. The 1990 results include a $30 million addition to the reserve for other real estate owned in the second quarter, the impact of Central Jersey and an early retirement program at NatWest USA. Excluding these items, operating expenses increased less than 1 percent in both the third quarter and nine month periods. This reflects the benefits derived from various cost containment programs such as the rationalization of the New Jersey banks, the consolidation of certain key functions in the holding company and the sale of the mutual fund processing business.

The allowance for loan losses was $432.4 million or 2.74 percent of total loans outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $536.5 million or 3.61 percent of total loans outstanding at Sept. 30, 1989. In the third quarter of 1989, there was a special provision of $155 million for loans to certain countries with severe debt servicing problems (LDC's).

During the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, NatWest Bancorp completed sales of $384.1 million of LDC loans resulting in charge-offs of $267.2 million. This reduced total LDC outstandings to $35.0 million at Sept. 30, 1990, from $591.0 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

Non-performing assets, which consist of non-accrual loans, renegotiated loans and other real estate owned (net of the reserve) totalled $998.5 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $699.9 million at Sept. 30, 1989. The $298.7 million increase reflects a significantly higher level of domestic non-accrual loans brought about by a deterioration in the economy, especially with respect to the real estate market in the Northeast, and the addition of several project finance credits. This increase was partially offset by a reduced level of foreign non-accruals as a result of the LDC sales.

The provision for income taxes was $2.8 million in the third quarter compared with a credit for income taxes of $7.5 million in 1989. For the nine months the provision was $6.7 million in 1990 compared with $23.6 million in 1989. The 1990 year-to-date results reflect the recognition as extraordinary items of previously unrecorded tax benefits of $20.0 million on the LDC loan loss provisions in earlier years. The comparative figures for 1989 have been restated to include similar benefits received in that year (which related to the 1989 LDC provisions) as a reduction of income tax expense.

Equity capital at Sept. 30, 1990, was $1.8 billion, an $87.1 million increase from Sept. 30, 1989. During the third quarter of 1990 and the fourth quarter of 1989, National Westminster Bank PLC made capital contributions to NatWest Bancorp of $200 million and $110 million, respectively. These amounts were substantially reinvested in NatWest USA to maintain its capital ratios at appropriate levels following the LDC sales.

NatWest Bancorp is a wholly owned subsidiary of National Westminster Bank PLC, the London-based international banking and financial services organization.

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NEW BRITAIN, CONN. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Burritt InterFinancial Bancorporation (NASDAQ: BANQ) today reported a loss for the third quarter of 1990 of $4,404,000 (a loss of $1.31 per share), compared to net income of $1,538,000 ($0.44 per share) for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Burritt lost $1,667,000 (a loss of $0.49 per share), against net income of $4,016,000 ($1.15 per share) for the comparable period a year ago.

The loss for the quarter is attributable to a $6.4 million addition to the allowance for possible loan losses. This addition increased the provision for loan losses to $11.45 million at the end of September. As of Sept. 30, nonperforming assets totaled $42.2 million, or 6 percent of assets, as earlier projected.

According to John C. Jaynes, president and chief executive officer: "This quarter's loss follows 21 consecutive quarters of record earnings performances. With such a strong history and a solid capital position, we believe we're well prepared to cope effectively with the difficult environment in which we're operating."

Burritt InterFinancial Bancorporation currently serves central Connecticut with 11 offices in New Britain and in suburban Hartford communities.

BURRITT INTERFINANCIAL BANCORPORATION

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net income	$(4,404,000)	$1,538,000	$(1,667,000)	$4,016,000
Earnings per share	$(1.31)	$0.44	$(0.49)	$1.15
Total assets			$700,731,000	$693,450,000
Total loans			581,644,000	580,832,000
Total deposits			615,290,000	575,049,000

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NUTLEY, NJ (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Christiane Nsslein-Volhard, a top scientist at Germany's renowned Max Planck Institute for Developmental Biology received the 1990 V.D. Mattia Award from Hoffmann-La Roche for her outstanding contributions to biomedical research.

Among her most important discoveries was physical proof that genes provided by the mother (called maternal- effect genes) in the fruit fly egg determine the formation of the insect's body and its organs. By examining the embryonic development of the fruit fly in detail, Dr. Nsslein-Volhard has illuminated principles of genetics that may be applicable to development processes in other creatures.

Eight of the V. D. Mattia award winners have gone on to receive the Nobel prize. The V. D. Mattia Award, first presented in 1972, was established by the Roche Institute of Molecular Biology in 1971 in memory of V. D. Mattia, M.D. (1923-71), who, as president and chief executive officer of Hoffmann-La Roche Inc., played a key role in the Roche Institute's founding and development.

As part of its basic research mission, the Roche Institute in Nutley, which is supported entirely by funding from Roche, trains postdoctoral researchers from around the world, combining academic freedom with the scientific resources of a large research-intensive health care company.

Headquartered in Nutley, Hoffmann-La Roche is widely known for original research and development in the health care field. The company has produced numerous important prescription drugs and is a leader in biotechnology.

Roche also provides a wide range of diagnostic products and clinical laboratory services and is a major producer of pure bulk vitamins and medicinal products used in the food, pharmaceutical, cosmetic, and animal health fields. In addition, the company recently launched a new business that provides infusion therapy for patients who can be treated outside of the hospital.

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#90291p6439 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Primerica Corporation (NYSE: PA) today announced that earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $94.0 million, or $0.82 per share, vs. $78.3 million, or $0.80 per share, for the

1989 period. Revenues were $1.503 billion compared with $1.470 billion for the quarter last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $274.1 million, up from $193.1 million for the 1989 period, and earnings per share were $2.38, up 20 percent from $1.98 in the prior year period. Revenues were $4.499 billion versus $4.110 billion. Earnings per share are based on 116.9 million and 117.3 million average common and equivalent shares in the 1990 third quarter and nine months and 98.8 million and 99.1 million shares in the 1989 periods.

Sanford I. Weill, Primerica's chairman and chief executive officer, said, "For the past 21 months, we have devoted our attention to developing a stable and recurring earnings base, building our balance sheet strength and improving the quality of our assets, efforts which resulted this year in an upgrade by Standard & Poor's and Moody's in our long-term debt and commercial paper ratings. We expect our Consumer Finance and A.L. Williams operations to continue delivering sizable and growing earnings contributions, which cushion the impact on Primerica's earnings of the cyclical results in Smith Barney's businesses. We intend to continue evaluating all our businesses in the difficult environment ahead, and will make whatever adjustments become necessary to sustain profitability and adapt to the economic realities of the marketplace for our products."

Consumer Services Consumer Finance earnings rose 29 percent to $42.6 million in the 1990 third quarter on revenues of $253.3 million. This compares with earnings and revenues of $32.9 million and $181.9 million, respectively, for the 1989 quarter.

This earnings gain reflects a substantial increase in receivables, attributable to internal growth as well as the March 1, 1990 acquisition of BarclaysAmerican/Financial's consumer lending operation and its approximately $1 billion portfolio. At Sept. 30, 1990, net receivables reached $5.004 billion, up from $3.410 billion at the end of the 1989 third quarter.

The portfolio's average yield in the 1990 quarter was 16.88 percent compared with 17.26 percent in last year's period, while the average net interest margin was 8.62 percent vs. 9.09 percent. The charge-off rate was 2.40 percent and 2.46 percent in the 1990 and 1989 third quarters, respectively. The declines in average yield, net interest margin and charge-off rate are predominantly a result of the change in receivables mix brought about by the addition of the Barclays portfolio, which was weighted toward real estate-secured loans.

Commented Weill, "We are pleased with the smooth integration and on-going performance of the Barclays business. Our earnings base has increased, our geographic distribution is broader, and we have a better balance between personal loans and loans secured by residential real estate."

Primerica's 71 percent-owned Fingerhut direct marketing subsidiary earned $7.6 million for the quarter, before minority interest of $2.2 million, on revenues of $279.4 million. This compares to net earnings of $6.2 million on revenues of $258.5 million for the 1989 period. These higher earnings resulted from improved operating efficiencies, good customer response and improved product margins.

Primerica Corporation is a diversified financial services company principally engaged in life, credit, accident & health, and property & casualty insurance, investment banking and securities brokerage, mortgage banking, mutual funds, asset management, consumer lending and direct marketing. As of Sept. 30, 1990 Primerica had assets of approximately $21 billion and book value of approximately $25.46 per share.

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#90291p6442 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Tiempo Equities, Inc. and Atrix, Inc. today announced the merger of Atrix into Tiempo and a change of name of Tiempo to Atrix International, Inc.

In connection with the merger, Tiempo has reversed stock split its common shares in a ratio of one share for every two shares. The capital structure of the new company consists of approximately 3.6 million shares of common stock and 625,000 warrants exercisable at $3/share.

In addition, the following persons have been elected as members of the board of directors: Clifford B. Meacham; Steven A. McMichael; Gordon H. Ritz, Sr.; William E. Bennett; Bruce G. Allbright; Richard W. Perkins; and W. William Bednarczyk.

"This merger gives Atrix the cash and equity resources to grow more rapidly than we have in the past, to expand our manufacturing capabilities, to increase our presence in international markets, and to seek potential acquisitions," said Cliff Meacham, former president and CEO of Atrix, Inc. and newly elected president, chairman, and CEO of the merged company.

Atrix International, Inc., is a Burnsville-based, privately financed company organized in June 1981 and is presently engaged in the business of assembling and marketing hand tools and customized hand tool kits, as well as the manufacture and marketing of vacuums, printed circuit board cases, and electrostatic discharge and static-control components and accessories to customers involved in the electronics and computer industry.

Sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, were over $4.3 million, and the

company is currently profitable. The principal customers of Atrix include Xerox, IBM, Unisys, Control Data, Hewlett-Packard, Digital, Square D., Allen-Bradley, Savin, and Fujitsu.

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DENVER (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Apache Corp. (NYSE: APA) today announced the completion of two oil wells in the Powder River basin in northeastern Wyoming's Campbell County.

The Apache-operated Lone Cedar Unit No. 8, in which the company holds a 25.8 percent working interest, was completed pumping 480 barrels of oil per day. The well produces from perforations in the Minnelusa formation between 7,868 and 7,890 feet.

Approximately 30 miles to the southwest, the L.A. No. 1 on the Cheetah prospect pumped 435 barrels of oil per day on completion in the Minnelusa formation perforated between 10,676 and 10,726 feet.

Denver-based Raymond T. Duncan operates the well. Duncan and Apache each hold a 50 percent working interest in the new producer. The two companies plan to begin drilling an offset well to the L.A. No. 1 by the end of this month.

Apache is an independent energy company engaged in exploration, development, production and marketing of natural gas and crude oil. The company's securities are traded on the New York and Midwest Stock Exchanges (symbol APA).

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Bell Atlantic Corp. (NYSE: BEL) today reported third-quarter earnings of $.91 per share, a 5.8 percent increase over the $.86 per share for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, earnings per share were $2.73, compared with $2.57 for the same period last year, a 6.2 percent increase. All per-share amounts reflect a two-for-one stock split effective April 10.

Net income for the quarter was $358.4 million, a 4.2 percent increase over the $344.1 million recorded for the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $1,076.5 million, a 5.9 percent increase over the $1,016.6 million for the corresponding period last year.

"Volumes in our telephone companies continued to grow in the quarter, despite spotty weaknesses in our regional economy, demonstrating the overall strength of the services-based businesses in the mid-Atlantic region," said Bell Atlantic Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Raymond W. Smith.

"Revenues also reflected continued growth in volumes in our non-telephone businesses, as well as the impact of acquisitions by our Bell Atlantic Business Systems Services and Bell Atlanticom units."

Total operating revenues for the quarter were up 6.5 percent to $3.10 billion from $2.91 billion for the corresponding quarter a year ago. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, total operating revenues were $9.19 billion, an increase of 7.4 percent over the $8.56 billion reported for the same period in 1989.

Business access lines increased 5.1 percent for the quarter over the third quarter of 1989, while total access lines grew 3.2 percent, reaching nearly 17.3 million. Interstate minutes of use increased 5.4 percent over the same quarter last year.

Total operating expenses for the third quarter were $2.42 billion, compared with $2.30 billion for the corresponding quarter in 1989, an increase of 5.2 percent. Expense levels reflect modest increases at the network telephone companies, expanded business activity in other subsidiaries, and the acquisitions of Control Data Corp.'s third-party maintenance business on Jan. 3, the mid-Atlantic regional operations of Northern Telecom's Meridian Business Systems Group on June 4, and Simborg Systems Corp. on July 18.

Interest expense increased due, in part, to debt incurred to finance the acquisition of Telecom Corp. of New Zealand by Bell Atlantic and its partner Ameritech (NYSE: AIT) on Sept. 12. "We don't anticipate any material impact on earnings during this first year of our acquisition of New Zealand Telecom," said Smith. "We are very pleased with this investment, and we expect that this ownership interest will significantly enhance shareowner value going forward."

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PROVIDENCE, RI (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Textron, Inc. (NYSE: TXT) reported higher third quarter net income of $66.6 million, or 75 cents per share, compared with $59.5 million, or 66 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989, B.F. Dolan, chairman and chief executive officer, announced today. Revenues in the third quarter increased to $1.9 billion from $1.7 billion in 1989.

Dolan said, "Operating income increased about 17 percent as a result of

improved performance on contracts in the Aerospace Technology sector." He said "Despite the weakening economy, results of the Commercial Products segment benefitted from improved margins and the Financial Services sector reflected continued strength in the finance and related insurance businesses."

He added, "Textron looks forward to good results for the full year, despite uncertainties stemming from world events and the slowdown in our domestic economy."

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $5.8 billion, up from $5.4 billion in 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $204.9 million, or $2.28 per share, up from $182.1 million, or $2.06 per share, in 1989 after an extraordinary loss of $9.5 million, or 11 cents per share.

This increase was achieved despite unfavorable foreign exchange included in corporate expenses, higher interest expense reflecting increased borrowings and a higher income tax rate.

As a result of the previously reported Federal Trade Commission preliminary injunction relative to Textron's acquisition of Avdel in early 1989, Textron is precluded from consolidating Avdel's earnings with Textron's results of operations.

Operating income of the Commercial Products sector for the first nine months of 1990 included dividends of $6.7 million received from Avdel. Interest expense on the borrowings related to the purchase of Avdel was $15.8 million in the first nine months of 1990, compared with $16.4 million in 1989.

Textron is a multi-industry company with operations focused in three business sectors - Aerospace Technology, Commercial Products, and Financial Services.

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#90291p6448 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - ITT Corporation (NYSE: ITT) announced today that net income for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 increased over 1989 levels.

Net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 rose to $224 million, or $1.63 per share on a fully diluted basis, over the $221 million, or $1.46 per share, in the 1989 third quarter. Per share earnings increased 12 percent, aided by the company's share repurchase program.

On a primary basis, net income per share for the quarter was $1.73 compared to the $1.55 in the 1989 quarter.

Net income for the 1990 third quarter included a charge of $26 million after-tax, or 19 cents per fully diluted share for the write-off of ITT Sheraton loans to a hotel property. Excluding this one-time item, income per share rose 25 percent in a fully diluted basis.

Consolidated sales and revenues for the third quarter totalled $5.0 billion, up from the $4.9 billion in the 1989 quarter.

"Despite softness in certain segments, our overall business continues to perform well in a recessionary economic environment," Rand V. Araskog, ITT chairman and chief executive said.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $874 million, or $6.20 on a fully diluted basis, a 37 percent increase over the $665 million, or $4.51 reported for the comparable 1989 period.

On a primary basis, net income per share was $6.61 for the first nine months of 1990, or 42 percent higher than the $4.65 per share in the same period for 1989.

In addition to the previously mentioned write-off in the third quarter, the 1990 nine month period included a gain of $139 million, or 99 cents per share on the company's sale of 7 percent of Alcatel in the second quarter and a gain of $47 million, or 33 cents per share, on the sale of ITT's investment in Compagnie Generale d'Electricite in the first quarter of 1990.

The 1989 nine month period included a gain of $18 million, or 12 cents per share on the sale of ITT's European Headquarters facility and a write-off of $28 million, or 19 cents per share for ITT Hartford's investment in Thomson McKinnon Inc.

Consolidated sales and revenues for the nine months totalled $15.2 billion as compared to $15.0 billion in the year-ago period.

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#90291p6455 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD, IL (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Baxter International Inc. (NYSE: BAX) today reported third quarter sales of $2.0 billion, a 12 percent increase over the 1989 third quarter. Operating income increased 30 percent to $254 million.

Net income increased 32 percent to $135 million and earnings per common share increased 35 percent to 46 cents. Net income and earnings per common share for the third quarter of 1989 were $102 million and 34 cents.

''These results are excellent, consistent with the program we laid out earlier this year to improve operating income,'' said Vernon R. Loucks Jr., chairman and chief executive officer. ''They also reflect continuing strength in our overseas markets and in our alternate-site businesses.''

Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $5.9 billion. The company reported a net loss for this period of $138 million or 74 cents per common share. This loss resulted from a pre-tax provision of $566 million to cover the cost of the company's previously announced restructuring program. Sales, net income and earnings per common share for the first nine months of 1989 were $5.4 billion, $307 million and $1.03.

Domestic sales for the third quarter were approximately $1.5 billion; sales from international markets were $492 million. For the first nine months, domestic sales were approximately $4.5 billion and international sales were $1.4 billion. International sales growth in local currency was approximately 12 percent for the quarter and 13 percent for the first nine months, reflecting particular strength in the renal therapy business.

Baxter International Inc. is the leading worldwide manufacturer and marketer of health-care products, systems and services. It offers 120,000 products to health-care providers in 100 countries.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlanfed Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: AFED) announced net income of $239,008 or 28 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to earnings for the same quarter in the preceding year of $183,795 or 21 cents per share.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, net income was $497,048 or 58 cents per share as compared to $267,554 or 31 cents per share for the same period of the preceding fiscal year. Total stockholders' equity of Atlanfed Bancorp, Inc., increased to $17.2 million or $20.05 book value per share as compared to $16.5 million or $19.25 per share at Sept. 30, 1989.

The bank was well in excess of capital requirements at Sept. 30, 1990, with tangible, core and risk-based capital of 7 percent, 7.3 percent and 13.6 percent respectively.

		Sept., 30 1990	Sept. 30 1989	Increase
Net Income (3 months)	$	239,008	183,795	30 pct.
Net Income Per Share (3 months)	$	.28	.21	30 pct.

Net Income (6 months)	$ 497,048	267,554	86 pct.
Net Income per Share (6 months)	$ .58	.31	86 pct.
Stockholders' Equity	$ 17,187,602	16,493,770	4.2 pct
Book Value Per Share	$ 20.05	19.25	4.2 pct.
Savings Deposits	$170,237,640	169,389,799	.5 pct.
Total Assets	$227,744,803	226,618,777	.5 pct

Commenting on the announcement, Richard E. Funke, chairman and president stated, "We are pleased to report this continued profitability of Atlanfed Bancorp, Inc., and particularly because the increase in earnings for 1991 relates primarily to increased core earnings from operations of the bank."

The board of directors of Atlantic Federal Savings Bank announced that they have authorized the purchase of Atlanfed Bancorp, Inc. stock as one of the investments for the Atlantic Federal Savings Bank Pension Plan. The board considers the stock of Atlanfed Bancorp, Inc. to be an attractive investment for the pension plan.

Atlanfed Bancorp's primary subsidiary, Atlantic Federal Savings Bank, was founded in 1897 and currently operates 10 branch offices throughout the state of Maryland. Atlantic Home Mortgage Corporation, the bank's mortgage banking subsidiary, operates loan production offices in Towson, Columbia and Pasadena, Md., and in Newark, Del.

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#90291p6460 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Infertility specialists at Mount Sinai Medical Center of Greater Miami have discovered what could become a revolutionary treatment for endometriosis, a disease of the female reproductive system that is a leading cause of infertility. Millions of women worldwide suffer from the condition.

Mount Sinai researchers believe that, based on animal studies, women with endometriosis can become pregnant using Pentoxifylline, a drug commonly used to treat circulatory disorders.

Dr. Alex Steinleitner, a specialist in reproductive endocrinology in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Mount Sinai, presented his findings here today at the annual meeting of the American Fertility Society. Dr. Steinleitner's work received the top prize of the prestigious assembly of infertility experts.

Endometriosis, also known as "career women's," occurs when normal endometrial tissue grows in abnormal locations in the ovaries, fallopian tubes and abdominal cavity. The condition is especially prevalent in women who have delayed pregnancy until their 30s.

"My research is a radical departure for the treatment of endometriosis," said Dr. Steinleitner. "Currently, women have two options: Either surgery or medication taken over a six-month period which produces uncomfortable side effects. Neither treatment addresses the cause of the problem, and neither guarantees fertility."

Dr. Steinleitner conducted the research with the assistance of his colleagues at Mount Sinai, Dr. Bernard Cantor, chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology; and Drs. Juergen Eisermann and Hovey Lambert.

Researchers devised animal models for endometriosis and found that, similar to women with the disease, they were unable to get pregnant. Steinleitner discovered that by treating the animals for four days each month with Pentoxifylline, they became fertile.

In devising this new treatment, Steinleitner focused on the activity of small, white blood cells called macrophages, which act within the female reproductive system each month to prevent infection and clean up menstrual tissue and debris. Researchers believe that in women with endometriosis, macrophages become hyperactive, interfering with fertility and the growth of a healthy embryo.

Steinleitner theorized that by altering the immune system with medication, he could deactivate macrophage activity during ovulation and, as a result, prevent macrophages from interfering with fertility.

Mount Sinai plans to begin a double-blind study by January of the effects of Pentoxifylline on women with endometriosis who are trying to get pregnant. For six months, the women will be given either a placebo or the drug which they will take for four days during ovulation. During the study, the women will be artificially inseminated to maximize their chances of achieving pregnancy.

For more information about the Mount Sinai endometriosis study, call 305-531-1480.

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BERKSHIRE, ENGLAND (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of the Albert Fisher

Group PLC today announced the preliminary unaudited results for the year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

-- Pre-tax profits up 65 percent - 74.42 million pounds sterling (1989: 44.97 million pounds)

-- Turnover up 25 percent - 1,037.1 million pounds (1989: 830.6 million pounds)

-- Earnings per share up 21 percent - 9.81p (1989: 8.14p (as adjusted))
-- Dividend up 22 percent - 3.35p (1989: 2.75p)
-- Underlying organic growth of 21 percent

The board reported another year of record results with excellent progress throughout the Group. Unaudited results for the year ended Aug. 31, 1990, show pre-tax profits at 74.42 million pounds (1989: 44.97 million pounds). Overall operating margins improved to 6.2 percent (1989: pro forma 5.4 percent) with each division contributing to the increase.

The pre-tax operating profits of 63.94 million pounds compare with pro forma operating profits of 52.92 million pounds for the previous year, based upon the Group as constituted at Aug. 31, 1990 and applying the same average exchange rates. The results reflect underlying organic growth of 21 percent.

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#90291p6463 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOSTON (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Colonial Group, Inc. (NASAQ: COGRA) announced today earnings and revenues for the third quarter of 1990.

Third Quarter Results Earnings. For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, earnings totalled $2.9 million. This represents a decrease of $0.2 million or 6 percent compared to $3.1 million earned for the same period last year.

Revenues. Revenues were $19.9 million for the third quarter of 1990. This represents an increase of $1.3 million or 7 percent compared to revenues of $18.6 million for the same period last year.

Earnings per share. Earnings per share were 37 cents for the third quarter this year vs. 39 cents last year.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, John A. McNeice, Jr. made these comments:

Revenues this year were adversely affected by an 8 percent decline in assets

under management, largely caused by the decline in the securities markets. Sales promotion expenses increased this year because of increased competitive conditions.

Mutual fund sales in the first nine months of 1990 were $824 million. Last year, sales were $1,144 million, including $558 million in sales from three closed-end funds. Redemptions exceeded sales by $41 million this year; sales exceeded redemptions by $60 million in the same period last year.

Total assets under management were $7.6 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $8.2 billion at Dec. 31, 1989.

Three quarterly dividends of 10 cents per share have been paid to shareholders in 1990.

Our balance sheet continues to be very strong. Stockholder equity was $52.9 million at Sept. 30, 1990, including cash and investments of $36.8 million. Bank debt was $3 million.

Our goal of a moderate gain in profits this year over last year will not be achieved without a sharp recovery in the securities markets in the fourth quarter.

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#90291p6464 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

LINCOLNSHIRE, ILL. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Morgan Products Ltd. (NYSE: MGN) today announced earnings of $466,000 or $.06 per share for the three months ended Sept. 29, 1990 compared to $171,000 or $.02 per share for the same period last year. These higher earnings were reported on a 1 percent decrease in net sales to $110,591,000. For the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990, the company reported a 3 percent decline in net sales, with a slight increase in net income to $2,088,000, from $2,065,000, or $.25 per share for both periods.

The company's third quarter profits were influenced favorably by an improvement in gross margin of Morgan manufactured products and an increase in the percent of products shipped from the company's distribution centers, which produce a higher margin than products shipped directly from the manufacturer to its customers. Operating expenses during the third quarter increased over the same period last year, principally due to increases in sales employment costs and promotion-related expenditures. Partially offsetting these increases in operating expenses was both a continued reduction in interest expense due to reductions in average borrowings and the interest rates on these borrowings.

Company management was generally pleased with the improvement in the third quarter results compared with the same period in 1989. However, management remains concerned about the increasing weakness in housing starts, which has caused significant competitive pressures and softening of the general economy, exacerbated by the U.S. involvement in the Mideast. Housing starts during the first eight months of 1990 were reported to have decreased by 16.1 percent on a seasonally adjusted annual rate in comparison with the same period last year, adversely impacting sales of both products distributed by the company and manufactured products shipped from the company's Oshkosh, Wis., facility. This adverse situation has been partially offset by the company's successful sales thrust into the growing home center sector of the repair and remodeling market.

Morgan Products Ltd., a leading manufacturer and distributor of specialty building products, operates three business units. The business units are: Morgan Distribution, a regional wholesale distributor of specialty building products, primarily millwork, including windows and doors; Morgan Manufacturing, a national manufacturer which makes and sells premium exterior and interior doors and entrance systems under the brand names Morgan and Nicolai; and Morgan Technologies, a developer of software systems for use by specialty building products dealers.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - A CRSS Inc. (NYSE: CRX) subsidiary, CRSS International, Inc., today announced it has formed a cooperative relationship with the Chiba Institute of Regional Sciences (CIRS) for development projects in the Chiba Prefecture of Japan. Adjacent to Tokyo and encompassing Narita International Airport, Chiba is one of the fastest growing prefectures in Japan.

CIRS is providing specialized research and planning functions to help guide the development of Chiba Prefecture. The non-profit organization consists of 450 private members, including the minister of public works along with ten other Diet members; the governor of Chiba Prefecture, and city and town mayors.

There are also 70 corporate members including some of the largest construction companies in Japan along with 20 major companies which deal with planning, engineering, and construction in the power, infrastructure, oil and petroleum, and iron and steel industries.

Additionally, CRSS International, Inc., announced that it has been selected by the CIRS to provide strategic planning services for a new International Market

Mall to be built in Chiba Prefecture Japan.

The purpose of the mall will be to promote the exhibition and international sales of automobiles and cultural, high technology and food products. Although planning is yet to be completed, the project has an estimated construction value in excess of $300 million.

Houston-based CRSS Inc., though its subsidiaries, is one of the most diversified and largest design and construction services companies in the nation. CRSS has also expanded, though its interest in NaTec Resources, Inc., into the acid rain pollution control market.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Colgate-Palmolive achieved strong sales and earnings growth for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 and the year to date.

Third Quarter

Sales were up 16 percent to $1.46 billion. Earnings before interest & taxes (EBIT) were up 19 percent to $145.3 million. Net income was up 10 percent to $84.4 million. Earnings per common share were up 13 percent to $1.20 versus $1.06.

First Nine Months

Sales were up 12 percent to $ 4.21 billion. Earnings before interest & taxes (EBIT) were up 21 percent to $434.6 million. Net income was up 14 percent to $247.6 million. Earnings per common share were up 14 percent to $3.53 versus $3.09.

"We're delighted with the strong worldwide sales growth. Unit volume rose 6 percent in the third quarter, as we intensify our strategic programs to expand new products globally, enter new geographic markets, particularly Eastern Europe, and add incremental business through acquisitions," said Reuben Mark, Colgate chairman, president and chief executive officer.

"The healthy sales growth achieved, combined with our ongoing focus on profitability, led to the 19 percent increase in earnings before interest and taxes for the third quarter."

Colgate continues to raise the profitability of its worldwide operations, as indicated by the upward trend in gross profit margin, to 44.8 percent of sales from 44.4 percent in the third quarter of 1989. The combined benefits of margin expansion and currency appreciation in Europe were partially offset by higher interest expense, mainly resulting from recent acquisitions. The total

dilution related to acquisitions was approximately $.09 per share for the third quarter and $.19 per share for the first nine months. The current quarter was also favorably impacted by a lower effective tax rate.

Colgate's worldwide household and personal care operations generated broad-based growth for the quarter, with notable earnings advances from Colgate-Europe and Colgate-U.S. Growing momentum in Europe reflects heightened new products activity and increased sales to Eastern Europe, including the former East Germany. Successful new products include Colgate Gum Protection Formula toothpaste and Ajax microemulsion floor cleaner. Currency appreciation versus the U.S. dollar benefited sales and profits for the quarter. Strong volume growth continued in the Western Hemisphere, where increases in Mexico and Colombia and the addition of the Javex Companies in Canada more than offset the anticipated decline in Brazil.

Colgate-Palmolive Company (NYSE: CL) is a leading global consumer products company focusing on the core businesses of oral care, body care, household surface care, fabric care and animal dietary care. Colgate is expanding these core businesses through product development, geographic expansion and selective acquisitions.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Some 30 years after the movie industry changed to widescreen images, a leading participant in the television receiver industry announced plans today to introduce TV sets with a new 16X9 widescreen aspect ratio.

Bernard Isautier, chairman and chief executive officer of Thomson Consumer Electronics, said the first consumer widescreen receivers will be offered in France early next year. The new 34-inch (diagonal) sets will be capable of displaying either movie-like 16X9 format or conventional 4X3 images which have been used by the worldwide television industry since 1946.

Speaking at a dinner Wednesday night celebrating the production of the 50 millionth RCA brand color TV set at the company's Bloomington, Ind., plant, Isautier said the transition to widescreen television will provide "a more natural viewing dimension for programs such as movies and sporting events that require a full screen."

Thomson, the fourth-largest consumer electronics company in the world, is the first producer to offer 16X9 widescreen models within a reasonable price range Isautier noted. "The company's progress in HDTV development work, along with that of other European companies participating in the Eureka technology

program, will allow an orderly transition to the ultimate goal of higher resolution HDTV receivers, also in the same 16X9 widescreen format."

HDTV developments in the United States are moving toward the testing stage with the Federal Communications Commission expected to select a terrestrial system in 1993. Six systems are currently scheduled for testing -- five simulcast systems and one EDTV system similar in performance to that being offered in Europe early next year.

Thomson Consumer Electronics, with its worldwide television business headquartered in Indianapolis, is the successor company to the RCA and GE consumer electronics businesses. The company's Bloomington plant is the largest television receiver plant in the world.

Anticipating the transition to the 16X9 widescreen size in the United States, Thomson has invested over $150 million in expanding its Marion, Ind., picture tube plant and its Circleville, Ohio, glass plant for the manufacture of larger picture tubes.

The first 16X9 receivers for the European market will sell for some $6,000, which includes a value-added tax. The price also includes a built-in satellite tuner, satellite decoder and 13-inch receiving dish, cables and in-home delivery and installation.

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#90291p6480 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Tandycrafts, Inc. (NYSE: TAC) announced today that in the September quarter consolidated sales increased slightly, but earnings per share for the quarter were substantially less than during the same period a year ago.

TANDYCRAFTS, INC.

Three months ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
Net income per average common share	$ .02	$ .12
Net sales	$26,197,000	$25,576,000
Income before income taxes	93,000	552,000
Provision for income taxes	(35,000)	(210,000)
Net income	58,000	342,000
Average shares outstanding	2,603,000	2,767,000

"Although consolidated sales were up for the quarter, changes in sales mix and operating margin adversely affected net income in the September quarter. The upcoming stronger selling season should deliver improved operating results," said Kenneth L. Gregson, chairman.

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#90291p6481 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - PaineWebber Group Inc. (NYSE: PWJ) reported today that earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990, after deducting preferred stock dividends, were $0.15 compared to $0.41 per share for the same quarter last year.

Net earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $9,566,000, compared to $16,832,000 for the third quarter last year. Revenues, including net interest, were $432,954,000, a 3 percent decrease from revenues of $444,878,000 for the comparable period a year ago. Total expenses for the 1990 third quarter, excluding interest expense, increased 1 percent from the 1989 third quarter to $423,750,000.

For the first nine months of 1990, PaineWebber's earnings per share were $0.70 versus $0.85 in the comparable period a year ago. PaineWebber's net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $34,995,000 versus net earnings of $41,098,000 reported in the first nine months of 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, shareholders' equity was $1.00 billion and PaineWebber's total capital was $1.64 billion.

Donald B. Marron, chairman and chief executive officer of PaineWebber, said, "We continue to be pleased with our progress in retail sales, asset management and fixed income, with these units showing improved earnings over the 1989 third quarter. However, this year's third quarter earnings were adversely impacted by convertible preferred, high yield and risk arbitrage trading results versus the comparable period in 1989, as well as the industrywide softness in investment banking. The 1990 quarter's results were positively affected by a year-to-date tax adjustment."

The firm's asset gathering strategy continues to be successful, with total retail customer assets in PaineWebber accounts at $69.0 billion as of Sept. 30 1990, versus $62.9 billion as of Sept. 30, 1989.

PaineWebber Group Inc., together with its subsidiaries, PaineWebber Incorporated and PaineWebber International, serves the investment and capital needs of a worldwide client base. The firm employs approximately 13,100 people in 273 offices worldwide.

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#90291p6485 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Schlumberger Limited (NYSE: SLB) today reported third quarter net income of $147 million compared to $114 million earned in the same quarter of the previous year, an increase of 29 percent. Earnings per share were $0.62 vs. $0.48 in the previous year and also grew at 29 percent. Operating revenue in the third quarter was $1.32 billion compared with $1.11 billion in the prior year, an increase of 20 percent.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $421 million, $1.77 per share, compared to $288 million, $1.22 per share, reported in the previous year, excluding $35 million of extraordinary and unusual gains in 1989.

Euan Baird, chairman, stated, "The momentum established during the first half of 1990 continued to push oilfield activity ahead worldwide. Total revenue in the oilfield was up 21 percent while active drilling rig count was up 8 percent. Introduction of new services continues to have a favorable impact on revenues."

With regard to the Middle East, he further cited, "The invasion of Kuwait by Iraq on Aug. 2 has created many political and economic uncertainties whose short-term effects on our business are impossible to predict. In the longer term, however, the chronic political instability of the Middle East should spur increased exploration and development for oil elsewhere."

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HARRINGTON PARK, NJ (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - United Water Resources (NYSE: UWR) today reported net income of $5.7 million for the third quarter of 1990, an increase of 16 percent from the comparable period in 1989. Net income per share for the quarter was 34 cents, up from 30 cents a year ago. Operating revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $40.4 million, versus $37.1 million for the third quarter of 1989.

United Water's earnings for the nine months ending September 30, 1990 were $9.9 million, a one percent increase from the same period a year ago. Net income per common share for the nine months ending September 30 was 60 cents, compared to 59 cents for the same period a year earlier.

Robert A. Gerber, United Water's chairman and chief executive officer, attributed year to date financial performance to fairly consistent demand by water utility customers as well as to a contract allowing its principal subsidiary, Hackensack Water Company, to convey rights permitting a 32-acre tract of its property to be used as a golf course.

"Water revenues perked up during the third quarter of this year compared to last year as a result of seasonal demand coupled with the effects of a rate adjustment received by Hackensack Water Company in December 1989," said Gerber.

"Frequent summer showers tempered water usage throughout our service area and we enter the fourth quarter with reservoirs well stocked to meet anticipated customer demands." Gerber noted that last year's above average rainfall drenched the watershed during the lawn sprinkling season and depressed customer demand for water, thus lowering utility revenues in 1989.

United Water Resources is a holding company engaged in water-related businesses and real estate. Its utility subsidiaries, Hackensack and Spring Valley water companies, serve over one million people in New Jersey and New York.

United Water's real estate subsidiary, Rivervale Realty Company, operates in northern New Jersey and southeastern New York. Rivervale owns approximately 1,300 acres of land which is in various stages of the subdivision and approval process. United Water has paid continuous cash dividends on common stock since 1886.

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#90291p6495 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - UST Inc. (NYSE: UST) today announced that primary earnings per share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 increased 18 percent to 52 cents per share, compared with 44 cents per share for the similar 1989 period. Primary earnings per share for the first nine months of 1990 also rose 18 percent to $1.48 per share, vs. $1.25 per share for the corresponding 1989 period.

Third quarter net earnings were $59 million, a 15 percent gain over $51.5 million for the similar 1989 period. For the first nine months of 1990, net earnings rose 16 percent to $168.6 million, compared with $145.5 million for the corresponding 1989 period.

Net sales for the third quarter increased 13 percent to $196.9 million, vs. $173.7 million for the similar 1989 period. For the first nine months of 1990 net sales were $563.2 million, a 12 percent increase compared with $504.4 million for the corresponding 1989 period.

The Tobacco and Wine segments posted sales gains for both the third- quarter and nine-month periods, while revenues for the other segment declined. Moist smokeless tobacco sales were primarily responsible for the increase in the

Tobacco segment.

Domestic unit volume for moist smokeless tobacco products increased 4.8 percent in the third quarter to 140.5 million cans., compared with the similar period in 1989. Unit volume for the first nine months of 1990, which includes the effect of one less shipping day, increased 5.1 percent to 408.7 million cans. On an equivalent shipping day basis unit volume would have increased by 6.1 percent.

Earnings for the nine-month period of 1990 include a pretax gain of $3 million amounting to 2 cents per share, resulting from the early termination of a licensing agreement for the distribution of certain imported pipe tobaccos. These pipe tobaccos represented less than 1 percent of the company's annual consolidated net sales.

Through its subsidiaries, UST is a leading producer and marketer of moist smokeless tobacco products, including Copenhagen, Skoal, Skoal Long Cut, and Skoal Bandits. Other consumer products marketed by its subsidiaries include premium wines sold nationally under the Chateau Ste. Michelle, Columbia Crest, Conn Creek and Villa Mt. Eden labels. UST subsidiaries also manufacture or market quality pipes and imported pipe tobacco, imported cigars, and other tobacco-related products.

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HARRISBURG, PA. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Keystone Financial, Inc. (NASDAQ: KSTN), a Pennsylvania multi-bank holding company with branches from the New York to Maryland borders, today reported record results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

"We believe that these results are primarily attributable to the execution of well-conceived plans and strategies that are built on a foundation of conservative financial management and outstanding asset quality," Carl L. Campbell, president and chief executive officer, said. "We enter the final quarter of 1990 pleased by what we have accomplished to date and optimistic about our future prospects."

Third quarter net income rose 12 percent to $8,256,000 or 57 cents per share from $7,400,000 or 51 cents per share for the same period last year.

For the nine months, net income increased to $23,998,000 or $1.65 from $21,820,000 or $1.48 for the comparable 1989 period, an 11 percent gain in earnings per share.

Assets at Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $2,673,996,000 versus $2,582,590,000 at the

same date last year. Deposits climbed to $2,334,882,000 from $2,256,150,000 at Sept. 30, 1989, while loans rose to $1,823,998,000 from $1,709,383,000 during the same period. For the first nine months of 1990, return on average assets was 1.23 percent and return on average equity was 15.33 percent.

Keystone Financial has three member banks -- Pennsylvania National Bank, Pottsville; Northern Central Bank, Williamsport; and Mid-State Bank, Altoona -- which operate 93 community offices in 20 Pennsylvania counties.

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HIGH POINT, NC (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert G. Culp, III, chief executive officer of Culp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CULP), today announced the decision to implement an expansion which will effectively double the company's manufacturing capacity for damask ticking.

Funds for the project constitute the major portion of an increase of $4.5 million, or approximately 50 percent, in the company's capital spending plans for fiscal 1991.

The incremental spending has been approved by the company's Board of Directors and will raise Culp's capital expenditures for the year to a projected $14.0 million. That amount would be second in size only to the $16.3 million in capital spent in fiscal 1988.

Culp commented, "As one of our two core businesses, mattress ticking serves as a key focus of our overall strategic planning. We are confident about the substantial opportunities for further growth in this area.

"Committing these additional resources will significantly increase our manufacturing capacity, thereby enhancing Culp's comptetitive ability to serve major mattress producers. The company plans to finance the expansion from internally available funds without any borrowings.

"This strong financial support, combined with our proven manufacturing expertise with jacquard and damask goods, encourages us about the momentum the additional manufacturing capacity will provide."

Culp noted that this move was based on the company's long range plans to increase its capacity for manufacturing ticking. He said, "Our fundamental growth path over the past decade has been importantly based on the concept of establishing a vertically integrated organization.

"Controlling our own production is essential to the goal of becoming a 'value-added' supplier. We fully anticipate that realizing this objective will

require continuing investments in manufacturing capacity and support systems."

Culp, Inc. is a leading manufacturer and marketer of fabrics for the furniture bedding, recreational vehicle and institutional furnishings markets. The company's common shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CULP.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Graco Inc. (NYSE: GGG) today announced operating results for the third quarter (13 weeks) ended Sept. 28, 1990. Consolidated net sales amounted to $78,801,000, an increase of 11.1 percent from last year's third quarter sales of $70,922,000. Net earnings for the period were $4,631,000 or 64 cents per share compared with $3,352,000 or 47 cents per share last year, an increase in net earnings of 38.2 percent.

Sales to customers in the U.S. increased 5.1 percent to $42,844,000 principally due to the inclusion of sales from the company's Pyles business unit which was acquired at the beginning of the year. International sales were up 19.2 percent and amounted to $35,957,000. Excellent sales gains were achieved in Europe and the Far East reflecting volume increases as well as more favorable foreign currency translation rates for the period.

Consolidated backlog increased by $7 million during the period. The consolidated backlog at Sept. 28, 1990 was approximately $43 million compared with $36 million at the beginning of the quarter and $30 million at the end of the third quarter last year. Included in the backlog is $7.9 million associated with Graco's recently announced contract from Chrysler. The company's wholly owned subsidiary, Graco Robotics, Inc. will supply 21 EDX-1 electric painting robot systems for two finishing lines which will apply base coat and clear coat to new sports vehicles assembled at Chrysler's Jefferson North Assembly Plant in Detroit. Graco's Circulating Systems business unit will provide paint circulating equipment for the project which is expected to be completed by the end of 1991.

Operating profit increased 18.2 percent to $8,340,000 from $7,056,000 last year. Gross profit margin as a percent of net sales for the quarter was 49.3 percent compared with 48.4 percent for the same period last year. Operating expenses increased 11.8 percent and totaled $30,470,000.

For the nine months, consolidated net sales were $225,854,000, up 3.8 percent from $217,610,000 last year. Sales to customers in the U.S. were $129,339,000 compared with $123,349,000, a gain of 4.9 percent. International sales were $96,515,000, up 2.4 percent from $94,261,000 last year and represented 42.7

percent of consolidated net sales. Net earnings for the nine months were $11,698,000 or $1.61 per share compared with $9,501,000 or $1.33 per share last year, an increase in net earnings of 23.1 percent.

Graco Inc. supplies technology and expertise for the management of fluids in both industrial and commercial settings. It manufactures and markets systems and equipment to move, measure, control, dispense and apply fluid materials. A recognized leader in its specialties, Minneapolis-based Graco serves customers around the world in the manufacturing, processing, construction and maintenance industries.

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DES MOINES, IOWA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Oliver H. Hagen, president and chief executive officer, announced today that First Interstate of Iowa Inc. (NASDAQ: FIIA), a multi-bank holding company, recorded net income of $1,063,000, or 9 cents per share fully diluted, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. The 1990 third quarter earnings decreased 66 percent from the $3,137,000, or 21 cents per share fully diluted, reported for the corresponding quarter in 1989. The decrease in net income in the 1990 third quarter was attributable to expenses associated with $2.1 million of net charged off loans and to a higher effective income tax rate.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $6,279,000, or 43 cents per share fully diluted, compared to $9,544,000, or 63 cents per share fully diluted, for the like period in 1989. The company's annualized return on average assets and return on average equity for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was .71 percent and 11.06 percent, respectively.

Hagen commented, "We are pleased to report nearly $1.1 million of third quarter earnings despite the previously announced charged off loans and the increase in nonperforming assets. Such assets are belived to be appropriately identified and related losses were recorded in the third quarter. Ongoing credit quality evaluations by the management of our subsidiary banks and our internal loan review team indicate the current level of nonperforming assets belies the underlying quality of the company's remaining assets."

First Interstate of Iowa owns the controlling interest in 13 Iowa banks, a computer services company and an insurance agency. The banks operate 33 locations in numerous Iowa cities including Algona, Cresco, Des Moines, Estherville, Fort Dodge, Greenfield, Kalona, Marengo, Mason City, Sigourney, Sioux City, Spencer and Urbandale.

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#90291p6512 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEWATER, N.J. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas & Betts Corporation (NYSE: TNB) today reported increased sales and lower earnings for the third quarter of 1990.

Sales rose 13 percent to $148,576,000 from $131,318,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Earnings declined 58 percent to $5,096,000, or $.30 per share, from $12,084,000, or $.71 per share. The drop in earnings was due to the special charge announced Sept. 10 and the resulting increased tax rate. Without the special charge, pretax earnings would have been up 12 percent.

For the first nine months of 1990, sales were up 12 percent to $453,385,000. Earnings decreased 14 percent to $35,602,000, or $2.09 per share, including the special charge.

The previously announced pretax charge of $9 million is for actions being taken to consolidate manufacturing operations and reduce operating expenses.

"Although earnings excluding the special charge were higher than a year ago, we continue to experience weakening economic conditions in North America," said T. Kevin Dunnigan, president and chief executive officer. "The actions covered by the charge will improve our operating efficiency and make us better able to withstand a declining North American economy.

"Domestic construction and industrial sales of Thomas & Betts were down 4 percent from the third quarter of 1989. Domestic electronic sales rose 38 percent, largely due to sales of Holmberg Electronics, which was acquired in November 1989.

"International sales were up 17 percent, reflecting better performance in Europe and the Far East as well as the favorable effects of stronger foreign currencies. Vitramon's worldwide sales increased 32 percent.

"Despite the continuing weak economic environment in North America, we anticipate some increase in worldwide sales and pretax earnings in the fourth quarter. Pressure on profit margins will be partially offset by reduced costs as savings from our cost-cutting actions start to be realized."

Thomas & Betts Corporation, based in Bridgewater, is a leading producer of connectors, components, accessories and systems for worldwide electrical and electronic markets.

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#90291p6513 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BELLEVUE, WASH. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - U S WEST NewVector Group Inc. (NASDAQ: USWNA) today reported revenues of $72.6 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 47 percent increase from 1989 third quarter revenues of $49.3 million. Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $201.3 million, a 53 percent increase over revenues of $131.4 million for the same period last year.

The company generated net income of $0.2 million for the quarter compared to a $2.5 million loss for the third quarter 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, NewVector incurred a $6.8 million loss. Last year, the company's nine-month loss was $8.2 million. A change in accounting for income taxes favorably affected the first nine months of 1989 by $3.0 million.

Operating cash flow for the 1990 third quarter increased to $14.9 million. In 1989, NewVector generated third quarter operating cash flow of $6.0 million. For the first nine months of 1990, the company had positive operating cash flow of $31.3 million. During the same period last year, NewVector had $10.1 million in positive operating cash flow. (Operating cash flow is defined as operating income before depreciation and amortization.)

NewVector's cellular and paging operations continue to produce strong subscriber growth. On Sept. 30, 1990, U S WEST Cellular served 192,400 customers, a 67 percent increase from Sept. 30, 1989.

U S WEST Paging reported 155,700 pagers in service, a 34 percent increase from Sept. 30, 1989.

"We're pleased to have recorded our first quarter of operating income," said Reynie U. Ortiz, U S WEST NewVector president and chief operating officer. "This is indicative of our continuous emphasis on improving operating efficiencies."

"Our accomplishment is especially gratifying since NewVector maintained one of the best annual growth rates in cellular subscribers in the industry during this time," said John E. DeFeo, U S WEST NewVector chairman and chief executive officer. "Further, the average monthly revenue per cellular customer has remained stable over the last six months."

U S WEST NewVector Group Inc., headquartered in Bellevue, Wash., has operations in 16 Midwestern, Western and Southwestern states. The company operates 28 Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) and 10 Rural Service Areas (RSA) cellular systems under the brand name of U S WEST Cellular. NewVector offers U S WEST Paging service in 58 markets. NewVector is a majority-owned subsidiary of U S WEST Inc., a diversified corporation based in Englewood, Colo.

U S WEST NEWVECTOR GROUP INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited, dollars in thousands, except par value)

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ __	$ --
Accounts receivable, net:		
Trade	41,766	28,882
Other	33,559	16,312
Inventories	7,019	5,707
Other current assets	1,463	1,516
Total current assets	83,807	52,417
Property, plant and equipment	342,263	248,260
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization	(104,319)	(81,661)
Property, plant and equipment, net	237,944	166,599
Other assets: Operating licenses, net of accumulated amortization	57,809	51,977
Receivable from U S WEST, Inc.	44,617	40,172
Investments and other assets	49,158	48,251
Total other assets	151,584	140,400
Total assets	$ 473,335	$ 359,416
LIABILITIES AND SHAREOWNERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	$ 23,928	$ 30,537
Accrued and other liabilities	32,963	27,807
Total current liabilities	56,891	58,344
Note payable to bank	__	40,000
Notes payable to affiliate	227,821	84,707
Other long-term liabilities	6,926	4,611
Deferrred income taxes	5,776	3,791
Minority interests in consolidated partnerships	27,222	13,110
Shareowners' equity: Preferred stock, $1.00 par, 20,000 shares authorized, none issued	__	__
Class A common stock, no par, 100,000 shares authorized, 9,762 issued and outstanding	183,168	183,168
Class B common stock, no par, 100,000 shares authorized, 41,150 issued and outstanding	707	707
Additional paid-in capital	47,776	47,776
Accumulated deficit	(81,804)	(75,001)
Deferred compensation	(1,148)	(1,797)
Total shareowners' equity	148,699	154,853
Total liabilities and shareowners' equity	$ 473,335	$ 359,416

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Unaudited, dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months		Nine Months	
Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Cellular service	$ 53,614	$ 33,250	$ 141,707	$ 89,926
Cellular equipment	11,262	10,374	37,773	25,896
Paging sales and service	7,765	5,641	21,774	15,574
Total revenues	72,641	49,265	201,254	131,396
Operating expenses:				
Cellular service	6,134	4,086	16,250	12,212
Cellular equipment	11,049	9,120	35,446	23,331
Paging sales and service	1,978	1,348	5,579	3,897
Selling, general and administrative	38,610	28,717	112,716	81,818
Depreciation and amortization	10,737	8,236	31,599	24,483
Total operating expenses	68,508	51,507	201,590	145,741
Operating income (loss)	4,133	(2,242)	(336)	(14,345)
Other income (expense):				
Interest expense	(4,244)	(2,253)	(10,991)	(6,513)
Interest and other income	1,403	650	3,314	2,215
Minority interests in (income) losses of consolidated partnerships	(217)	729	1,212	3,454
Equity in losses of unconsolidated partnerships	(1,151)	(140)	(2,230)	(437)
Total other income (expense)	(4,209)	(1,014)	(8,695)	(1,281)
(Loss) before income taxes and cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(76)	(3,256)	(9,031)	(15,626)
Income tax benefit, net	257	725	2,228	4,394
Income (loss) before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	181	(2,531)	(6,803)	(11,232)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	--	--	--	3,007
Net income (loss)	$ 181	$ (2,531)	$ (6,803)	$ (8,225)
Per share amounts: Income (loss) before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	$ --	$ (0.05)	$ (0.13)	$ (0.22)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	--	--	--	0.06
Net income (loss)	$ --	$ (0.05)	$ (0.13)	$ (0.16)

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-30- 8091
#90291p6514 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Research, Inc. (NYSE: CYR) announced today that NASA Langley has ordered its second Cray Research supercomputer, a CRAY Y-MP8 system. This used system, valued at approximately $15 million, is scheduled to be installed at the NASA Langley Research Center in Hampton, Va., in the fourth quarter.

In addition, this order includes Cray Research's recently announced file server, the UNICOS Storage System, which will be used to manage more than one trillion bytes of storage. NASA will run the file server capability on its CRAY Y-MP system.

The system will be used primarily for general aerospace applications, including structural analysis and design and computational fluid support for research in atmospheric modeling and computational chemistry.

The CRAY Y-MP system will use the UNICOS operating system, based on AT&T's UNIX System V.

Cray Research, Inc., designs, manufacturers, markets, and supports large-scale high-speed computers for scientific and engineering applications.

CONTACT: Kate Neessen, 612-683-7132 (media); or Laura Merriam, 612-334-6448 (financial); both of Cray Research, Inc.

-30- 1316
#90291p6519 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOHEMIA, N.Y. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - American Therapeutics, Inc. (ATI), a manufacturer and distributor of generic pharmaceuticals in Bohemia, announced that with the guilty plea entered today in U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland the government's 16-month inquiry into ATI's operations under its former president, Raju Vegesna, has concluded.

The company pleaded guilty to a three-count criminal information which charged the company in connection with (1) "failing to comply with current good manufacturing practices" as to Erythromycin, a product developed but never marketed by the company, (2) causing a false statement to be made to the FDA in connection with Sulindac tablets, again a product never marketed by ATI, and (3) obstruction of an FDA inspection during 1988.

The charges arose as the result of an agreement in principle reached by ATI and the government over 10 months ago pursuant to which ATI has thoroughly cooperated with the Department of Justice and the Food and Drug Administration.

"We are grateful that the Vegesna chapter in ATI's history finally has been

concluded," said Dr. John Meloy, a director of ATI. "ATI has been committed from the outset to fully cooperate with the government and to ensure that there are no safety and effectiveness concerns about any ATI product."

"ATI appreciates that due to ATI's cooperation and the fact that the intense scrutiny given to our 52 approved products did not implicate the safety of those products, the government elected to permit ATI to be the first of the generic companies caught up in this investigation to reach a final disposition " said Meloy.

Early in this investigation, ATI took the firm steps to assure the delivery of safe, effective and high-quality pharmaceuticals, including:

-- The company removed Vegesna as president, CEO and director.
-- ATI's quality control program, in keeping with good manufacturing practice requirements of the FDA, was reviewed and upgraded by former FDA officials to ensure the high quality of all ATI products.

-- ATI developed an internal corporate ethics program, and
-- ATI has subjected its employees to rigorous training and supervision.

"The resolution of this investigation hopefully will allow us to put the mistakes of former management behind us," explained Meloy. "Our current mission is to show that the company itself remains dedicated to upholding FDA standards in manufacturing the highest-quality generic pharmaceutical products."

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#90291p6520 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
KINSTON, N.C. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - First Fincorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: FIFC), the parent of First Financial Savings Bank, Inc., Kinston, North Carolina, reported a 10 percent increase in net income for the third quarter of 1990 as compared to the third quarter of 1989. Net income was $495,090, $.20 per share for the three months ended September 30, 1990 versus $450,394, $.18 per share for the three months ended September 30, 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 was $1,585,369, $.65 per share, a 17 percent increase over the $1,349,483, $.55 per share, earned in the nine months ended September 30, 1989.

C. Allen Summerlin, President and Chief Executive Officer, stated that First Fincorp's core operating income for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 had actually increased by 52 percent over the same period for 1989. He pointed out that 1989 results included an "extraordinary gain" of $309,000, $.13 per share. This extraordinary gain was the result of a partial recovery

by First Financial of its deposit with the Financial Institutions Assurance Corporation which was written off in its entirety in 1985.

The Company reported a 5 percent increase in assets from $322,624,000 at September 30, 1989 to $338,265,000 at September 30, 1990. Deposits increased from $275,601,000 to $292,104,000, a 6 percent increase, during the same period.

CONTACT: C. Allen Summerlin of First Fincorp, Inc., 919-527-0191

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#90291p6521 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Bausch & Lomb Incorporated (NYSE: BOL) announced today that revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990 increased 12 percent to $357.0 million compared to $319.5 million a year ago. Net earnings for the quarter rose 15 percent to $38.2 million compared to $33.3 million, while earnings per share also advanced 15 percent to $1.27 from the prior year's $1.10. For the first nine months of 1990 revenues totaled $1,024.2 million, 12 percent above the prior year's $913.9 million. Net earnings of $92.2 million for the nine-month period increased 15 percent over the $79.9 million earned in 1989, and earnings per share also rose 15 percent to $3.06 compared to $2.65.

Revenues for the company's healthcare segment amounted to $221.3 million for the third quarter, a gain of 10 percent over the year-ago amount of $201.5 million. Healthcare segment sales for the first nine months of 1990 rose 9 percent to $622.6 million compared to $572.0 million.

-- In Bausch & Lomb's personal health sector, foreign sales of contact lens care products, oral care products, and over-the-counter medications were substantially above the year-ago third quarter, and more than offset the effects of customer inventory reductions and slow market growth in the United States.

-- In the company's medical sector, worldwide sales of contact lenses rose at a very good rate, as revenues outside the U.S. increased sharply for the quarter. Sales trends in the domestic contact lens business continued to show major improvement versus comparisons reported earlier in 1990. This progress was attributable to significantly higher shipments for the SeeQuence(R) line of disposable lenses. Growth in total medical sector revenues also reflected higher worldwide shipments of ophthalmic pharmaceuticals.

-- Revenues in the biomedical sector increased at an excellent pace as a result of increased demand for monoclonal antibody production services, and higher research animal sales in foreign markets.

The company's optics segment attained a 15 percent increase in sales for the 1990 third quarter, as revenues amounted to $135.7 million compared to $118.0 million in 1989. Brisk demand for sunglasses, especially in foreign markets, was reflected in a substantial worldwide sales increase for these products. Those gains more than offset a weak sales performances by the sports optics and thin film coating businesses which continue to be impacted by adverse market conditions. For the first nine months of 1990 optics segment revenues amounted to $401.6 million, an increase of 17 percent over the 1989 amount of $341.8 million.

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#90291p6522 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT SMITH, ARK. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Baldor Electric Co. (NYSE: BEZ), Fort Smith, Ark.-based manufacturer and marketer of industrial electric motors today announced record sales and record earnings for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

BALDOR ELECTRIC CO.

3rd quarter period ended 9/29	1990	1989	Pct. chg.
Sales	$ 70,709,000	$ 70,087,000	+1
Earnings before income taxes	5,559,000	5,228,000	+6
Income taxes	2,175,000	1,991,000	+9
Net earnings	3,384,000	3,237,000	+5
Earnings per share	.35	.33	+6
Dividends per share	.12	.11	+9
Average shares outstanding	9,796,511	9,759,439	--
9 month period ended 9/29	1990	1989	Pct. chg.
Sales	$218,006,000	$210,360,000	+4
Earnings before income taxes	17,506,000	15,851,000	+10
Income taxes	6,845,000	6,198,000	+10
Net earnings	10,661,000	9,653,000	+10
Earnings per common share	1.09	1.00	+9
Dividends per share	.36	.31	+16
Average shares outstanding	9,807,931	9,693,151	+1

Roland S. Boreham Jr., chairman and CEO of Baldor, commented that: "We are pleased to report these record operating results in a tough market environment. During the third quarter, both our profit margins and market share improved over the comparative period a year ago."

Boreham added, "Baldor has now achieved, in quarterly comparisons, 17 consecutive quarters of record sales and 12 consecutive quarters of record earnings."

CONTACT: R.S. Boreham Jr., chairman & CEO, or R.L. Qualls, president, both of

Baldor Electric, 501-646-4711

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#90291p6524 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
NORTHBROOK, ILL. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc. (NYSE: IFL) today declared a regular dividend of 27 cents per share of common stock for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990.

The dividend is payable Dec. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 14.

IMC Fertilizer Group Inc. is the world's leading private enterprise producer and marketer of phosphate rock and potash, and a manufacturer of phosphate chemicals and nitrogen crop nutrients. The company also recovers uranium oxide for sale to electric utilities for upgrading as fuel for nuclear power plants.

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#90291p6527 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
TROY, Mich. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Inacomp Computer Centers, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: INAC), one of the nation's fastest-growing companies, announced today that Joan Brancheau, treasurer, and Kim Penton, director of marketing, have been promoted. Brancheau becomes vice president and treasurer, while Penton assumes the title of vice president - marketing services for the Troy-based company.

Brancheau came to Inacomp from Coopers & Lybrand in 1985. She was promoted from corporate controller to treasurer in May of 1990.

Penton joined Inacomp in August 1985 with the company's Illinois region. She was promoted to corporate director of marketing in June 1987.

"Joan and Kim have proven themselves to be invaluable over the years," said Rick Inatome, chairman, president and chief executive officer. "Inacomp is proud to promote two exceptional women to our executive staff. Their significant contributions have been instrumental to the success of our company."

Inacomp Computer Centers, Inc. markets microcomputer systems and related products and services through more than 230 company-owned, franchised, and dealer locations across the country. The company provides system consultation installation, classroom training, system maintenance and repair to its customers. Inacomp also provides short- term rental and long-term leasing of microcomputer systems. Corporate offices are in Troy.

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-30- 1675
#90291p6530 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEMPHIS, TN (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Holiday Inn Worldwide today announced approval of the company's first franchised Holiday Inn Express hotel in Stony Brook, L.I., N.Y.

Tsunis Hotel Partners of Hauppauge, L.I., N.Y., will open their Holiday Inn Express property in January 1991 at 3131 Nesconset Highway in the Setauket-Stony Brook area. Holiday Inn Express is an upper economy hotel product offering guests clean, comfortable rooms, efficient check-in and check-out, and a breakfast offering.

"I am delighted that Stony Brook will be the first Holiday Inn Express franchise property to open, making it an important addition to the Holiday Inn family," says Bryan D. Langton, chairman and CEO of Holiday Inn Worldwide.

"Holiday Inn Express offers customers great value for their money in the upper economy market. Prospects for the development of Holiday Inn Express are very exciting, and the introduction of a Holiday Inn product into this sector is long overdue."

The Stony Brook Holiday Inn Express hotel is a six-story, 100-room property with an indoor pool. Andrew R. Seelin of Stony Brook has been named general manager for the hotel.

"We are pleased to have received the first Holiday Inn Express franchise, and are proud to be opening the only major hotel chain property on the north shore of Suffolk County, Long Island," says John Tsunis of Tsunis Hotel Partners.

Holiday Inn Worldwide introduced its new upper economy hotel product earlier this month during its annual meeting to franchisees. According to Langton, the company has received in excess of 100 development-related inquiries since the announcement of Holiday Inn Express.

Three company-managed properties, all conversions, opened this month in Nashville, Tenn.; Abilene, Texas; and Poughkeepsie, N.Y. Compared to a full-service Holiday Inn hotel, Holiday Inn Express hotels do not have a restaurant, lounge, or room service, and offer limited meeting facilities.

The Holiday Inn Express hotel is the newest extension to the Holiday Inn brand portfolio, which also includes Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza and Holiday Inn Garden Court hotels. Each product within the Holiday Inn brand portfolio is designed to meet the unique needs of individual consumer segments, all within the

middle market.

Holiday Inn Worldwide, the international hotel business of Bass PLC, is the world's leading hotel chain with nearly 1,600 hotels and 316,000 rooms in 51 countries or territories.

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-30- 2781

#90291p6534 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Kinark Corporation (AMEX, PSE: KIN) announced today that it will take a one-time charge of $8.6 million, or $2.43 per share, against third-quarter earnings for the company's Camelot Hotel discontinued operations.

Kinark Co-Chief Executive Officer Paul Chastain said, "The third- quarter charge will come form the write-down of assets and certain non- recurring and ongoing charges related to the disposal of hotels held for sale." The write-down will result in a third-quarter net loss of $2.22 per share and a net loss of $1.87 per share for the first nine months of 1990 despite record earnings of continuing operations.

Chastain said, "The company decided to take the write-down after a contract to sell the hotels for $12 million was terminated in the third quarter. The buyer was not able to close the transaction and forfeited a $50,000 deposit to the company. We are going forward to sell these properties," Chastain continued, "and have decided that a sale by public auction will allow us to achieve our goal within the next few months."

Kinark's continuing operations achieved record sales and earnings for the third quarter. Earnings of continuing operations increased 38 percent to $763,000 or $.21 per share from $554,000, $.16 per share in 1989. Sales improved 12 percent to $9,313,000 from $8,336,000 last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, record earnings from continuing operations were $1,995,000, or $.56 per share, compared to $1,405,000, or $.40 per share, a year ago. Sales for the nine months increased 7.6 percent to $25,394,000, also a record, from $23,608,000 a year earlier.

All dividends of the company reported strong operating profits in the third quarter, with sales increases coming from chemicals packaging and storage.

Lake River Terminals sales increased 24 percent in the third quarter over 1989 due to continuing strong demand from chemical customers. A new three-year contract was negotiated with a major customer which will run trough 1993. Kinpak achieved excellent results in the third quarter on an increase of 34

percent in sales. The Middle East crisis greatly increased early demand for antifreeze as customer anticipated potential shortages and price increases.

Kinark Corporation, with corporate headquarters in Tulsa, operates chemical facilities in Chicago and Montgomery, Ala., and supports industrial/commercial construction and metals corrosion protection with galvanizing plants in Denver Louisville, Ky., Nashville, Tenn., St. Louis, Houston and Hurst, Texas.

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#90291p6535 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, NC (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Golden Corral Realty Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: GCRA) declared a quarterly dividend on October 18, 1990 of $.26.

The dividend is payable November 15, 1990 to stockholders of record on October 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Edward Clark, Golden Corral Realty Corporation, (919) 781-9310.

-30- 513

#90291p6536 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Trans World Airlines on Oct. 17, 1990, declared the payment of a quarterly dividend on its $2.25 Cumulative Preferred Stock, which is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

The regular quarterly dividend will be 56.25 cents per share, payable on Nov. 30, 1990, to holders of record on Nov. 15.

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#90291p6540 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Shopping Network, Inc. (HSN) and Family Circle magazine today announced a strategic multimedia alliance to build audiences/circulations and merchandise products.

HSN, with annual sales of $1 billion, is the country's leading electronic retailer. Family Circle is the world's largest-selling women's magazine, with an audience of 21 million readers.

Task forces representing the two organizations have been meeting for more than nine months to develop extensive cross-promotional and merchandising programs.

Under the agreement, Family Circle editors and consulting editors will provide regularly scheduled editorial segments in HSN programming.

Initially, Kerry Whitaker, national beauty spokesperson and style consultant for Family Circle, will appear on videotape, bringing viewers a variety of helpful tips. Special segments will be aired during the Christmas shopping season. Whitaker has also been signed to a contract to act as a spokesperson for HSN. Christmas spots have been shot and will air shortly.

To add to its four million membership base, HSN has forged an extensive advertising and advertorial alliance with Family Circle. HSN in turn will sell Family Circle subscriptions on-air and provide opportunities for direct response solicitations. Other joint ventures are being explored.

"This is a strategic alliance of two businesses," said Roy M. Speer, chairman and chief executive officer of Home Shopping Network. "We have married two powerful media, two fiercely loyal customer bases, and two extremely effective and open-minded marketers and merchandisers," he added.

"We have created an entrepreneurial approach that transcends the traditional notions of value-added partnerships," said Charles H. Townsend, president and chief operating officer of Family Circle.

"First and foremost this is a business deal. There is complete dedication to merchandising - the commitment is so deep in fact that we have given over use of our franchises to each other in ways that seemed inconceivable to many."

Speer and Townsend said they were struck by the similarity of the demographics of both audiences. HSN owns and operates 11 TV stations that broadcast Home Shopping Club along with more than 90 broadcast and 1,750 cable system affiliates to a potential audience of approximately 65 percent of all U.S. households.

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#90291p6542 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

EMMAUS, PA. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Buckeye Management Co., general partner of Buckeye Partners L.P. (NYSE: BPL), today reported that the Partnership's 1990 third quarter net income was $10.9 million, an increase of 16.5 percent over net income for the 1989 third quarter of $9.3 million.

Net earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $.90 per unit, compared with $.77 per unit for the third quarter of 1989. Revenue and operating income for the third quarter of 1990 were $42.7 million and $18.3 million, respectively, compared with $41.1 million and $17.1 million, respectively, for the third quarter of 1989. Increased revenue was primarily due to a rate

increase which became effective June 19, 1990, and an increase in the proportion of long haul movements. Volume transported in the third quarter of 1990 averaged 970,800 barrels per day compared with an average of 974,300 barrels per day transported in the third quarter last year.

The Partnership's net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $24.6 million, or $2.03 per unit, compared with 1989 net income for the same period of $25.4 million, or $2.09 per unit. The Partnership's 1990 and 1989 results include revenues being collected subject to refund depending on the outcome of Federal Energy Regulatory Commission tariff rate proceedings.

Buckeye Partners L.P., through its subsidiary entitites, is one of the nation's largest independent pipeline common carriers of refined petroleum products with nearly 4,000 miles of pipeline operating in 11 states.

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#90291p6544 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

WELLESLEY, MA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - EG&G, Inc. (NYSE: EGG) reported that for the third quarter of 1990 earnings per share rose 14 percent to 65 cents per share compared to 57 cents per share last year (which included a capital gain of 5 cents per share). Net income was $18.4 million compared to $16.5 million in 1989. Third quarter sales rose 61 percent to $687 million from $426 million last year. The net income for nine months totaled $52.9 million or $1.85 per share compared to $50.7 million or $1.73 per share in 1989.

"The strong third quarter was particularly encouraging in light of the current global economic uncertainty," noted Chairman John M. Kucharski. "Operations do continue to show improvement and the third quarter performance leads me to expect that 1990 EPS will show growth in excess of 10 percent over 1989 results."

Improved manufacturing efficiencies were important elements in both the Components and Defense segments. This resulted in higher income from operations over the prior year. Higher volume of industrial seals was also a significant contributor to the Components segment; and in the Defense segment, the power supply and engineering, scientific and technical support services businesses provided significantly improved results over last year.

The DOE Support segment continues to remain strong due to the addition of profit this year from the contract at Rocky Flats. The growth in contract work for NASA, contributions from the contract at the Super Collider, and the addition this year of a contract for the Customs Service all participated in the increase in the Technical Services segment. The automotive testing businesses are beginning to show improvement.

Anticipated operations improvement in both Instruments and Aerospace in the fourth quarter will correct third quarter weaknesses.

EG&G, Inc., an international Fortune 300 company, manufactures scientific instruments and electronic and optical components. The company also offers security engineering services, airport security screening systems, and automotive testing services. EG&G also provides systems engineering, precision manufacturing and product testing, and test-site management and operating support, including waste management and environmental safety matters to many agencies and laboratories of government. The company's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol EGG.

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#90291p6546 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARTINSVILLE, VA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Tultex Corporation (NYSE: TTX), a leading producer of fleeced knit activewear, today reported increased sales and earnings for the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 29, 1990, net income was $11,578,000, or 42 cents per share, on sales of $109,892,000. This compares with income of $4,013,000, or 15 cents per share, on sales of $107,262,000 the previous year.

For the first nine months, net income was $12,757,000 or 46 cents per share, on sales of $247,347,000. For the same period of 1989, net earnings were $2,991,000, or 11 cents per share, on sales of $211,026,000.

Tultex, a vertically integrated producer of fleeced knit activewear and leisure time apparel, operates yarn and apparel manufacturing plants in Virginia and North Carolina.

TULTEX CORPORATION
Consolidated Statement of Income
(000's omitted except per share data)

Periods ended:	Three months		Nine months	
	9/29/90	9/30/89	9/29/90	9/30/89
Net sales & other income	$109,892	$107,262	$247,347	$211,026
Income before taxes	18,091	6,265	19,933	4,673
Income taxes	6,513	2,252	7,176	1,682
Net income	11,578	4,013	12,757	2,991
Earnings per share	$.42	$.15	$.46	$.11
Wtd. avg. common shares outstanding	27,651	27,621	27,642	27,615

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-30- 1841
#90291p6548 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Family Circle magazine and Home Shopping Network, Inc. (HSN) today announced creation of a joint marketing venture to exchange promotions and merchandise sales within each other's medium -- the nation's largest-selling women's service magazine and leading electronic retailer, respectively. Among the wide range of cross-promotions:

-- Family Circle will provide special television programming based on segments of the magazine, to be broadcast exclusively on HSN;

-- HSN has committed to an extensive advertising and advertorial program in Family Circle to build member in its Home Shopping Club;

-- HSN will sell Family Circle subscriptions on the air and provide opportunities for direct-response solicitations;

-- Family Circle will offer selected consumer products from HSN's catalog subsidiary.

Charles H. Townsend, president and chief operating officer of Family Circle, Inc., said the two companies are continuing to explore various ways to leverage the respective strengths of their franchises.

Family Circle, part of The New York Times Company Magazine Group, is published every three weeks and has a circulation of 5.25 million copies. The group also publishes McCall's, Decorating Remodeling, the Family Circle Great Ideas and Family Circle Now! series, Child, Golf Digest, Golf Shop Operations, Tennis, Tennis Buyer's Guide, Cruising World, Sailing World, Snow Country, Golf World, Golf World (U.K.), Golf World Industry News (U.K.), Golf Illustrated Weekly (U.K.) and Golf Digest Sverige (Sweden).

CONTACT: June Golden of Family Circle, 212-463-1063

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#90291p6553 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
TOWSON, MD (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Black & Decker Corp. (NYSE:BDK) today announced net earnings of $18 million or 30 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990, compared to a loss of $29 million or 49 cents per share in the same period last year.

Revenues for the three-month period rose 21 percent to $1.3 billion. Results for the quarter include revenues of approximately $200 million for PRC (formerly called Information & Electronic Systems) and Dynapert, which the corporation fully consolidated into its financial statements in the second

quarter of 1990. Prior periods are not restated.

The corporation also announced that a regular quarterly dividend of 10 cent per share will be paid on Dec. 28, 1990, to stockkholders of record on Dec. 14 1990.

Black & Decker is the world's leading marketer and manufacturer of power tools and other quality products used in and around the home and for commercial applications.

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-30- 1257

#90291p6555 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The New York Times Company (NYSE: NYT) today reported 1990 third-quarter income from continuing operations of $9.2 million, or $.12 per share. This compared with $16.4 million, or $.21 per share, for the third quarter of 1989. Consolidated revenues for the 1990 quarter were $420.7 million compared with $415.3 million for the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months in 1990, income from continuing operations was $52.6 million, or $.69 per share, compared with $87.2 million, or $1.11 per share, last year.

Consolidated revenues for the 1990 nine-month period were $1.32 billion, up 2 percent from $1.30 billion for the first nine months of 1989.

Results for the 1989 third quarter and nine-month periods exclude $2.47 and $2.52 per share respectively for the gain on the sale and results of operations of NYT Cable TV, which was sold in August 1989. Cable is reported under discontinued operations in the attached financial exhibits.

Exclusive of increased depreciation and interest, 1990 third-quarter earnings from continuing operations would have equaled the $.21 per share for the 1989 quarter.

The same factors that affected the quarter also pertained to the results for the nine months. In addition, the nine-month results were affected by costs associated with the July 1989 McCall's acquisition, which was structured to maximize cash flow. These structuring costs lowered earnings by $.17 per share in comparison with $.06 per share for the 1989 nine-month period, which was not affected until the July acquisition date. Exclusive of increased depreciation and interest in 1990, and the effects of the McCall's acquisition structuring in both years, earnings for the first nine months of 1990 would have been $1.11 per share, compared with $1.17 per share in 1989.

A summary of the Company's business segments follows: Newspaper Group: Third-quarter operating profit for the group that consists of the New York Times, 35 regional newspapers and a one-third interest in the International Herald Tribune declined to $19.6 million from $34.9 million in the third quarter of 1989 on revenues of $320.6 million and $316.2 million respectively. For the first nine months of 1990, operating profit of $108.2 million declined from $157.8 million in the comparable 1989 period on revenues of $1,008.2 million and $1,023.3 million respectively.

The principal reasons for the decline were lower advertising linage at The New York Times due to the continuing weakness in the New York region's economy and the increased depreciation.

Advertising volume at The New York Times for the third quarter of 1990 declined 10.7 percent to 21.1 million lines compared with the same quarter last year, which had one less Sunday. For the nine months, linage was off 12.0 percent to 68.8 million lines. Approximately 71 percent of the loss in advertising linage for nine months was in the help wanted and real estate classifications.

Circulation for The Times as reported to the Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC) reached record highs for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990: 1,108,400 copies on weekdays, up 40,400 copies over the same 1989 period, and 1,687,000 copies on Sundays, up 58,900 copies. The Sunday Times continues to have the highest circulation of any newspaper in the United States.

Advertising volume for the 35 regional newspapers increased 4.0 percent to 9.1 million inches for the third quarter of 1990 and 1.4 percent to 27.0 million inches for the first nine months of 1990. The regional newspapers have been adversely impacted by a decline in retail, help wanted, real estate and automotive advertising. The increases over 1989 for the quarter and nine months were due to a higher volume of advertising inserts.

Circulation for the regional newspapers for the April-to-September period as reported to ABC also reached record highs: 845,500 copies on Sundays, up 12,000 copies, and 870,100 copies on weekdays, up 16,500 copies.

Circulation was 75,600 for the non-dailies, up 500 copies. Magazine Group: The group's third-quarter operating loss was $2.3 million compared with a loss of $4.5 million in 1989 on revenues of $81.1 million and $81.4 million respectively. For the first nine months of 1990, the group had an operating loss of $5.6 million, compared with an operating profit of $.4 million in 1989 on revenues of $254.8 million and $220.7 million respectively.

The anticipated losses for the 1990 and 1989 quarters and 1990 nine months resulted from costs associated with the July 1989 acquisition structuring of McCall's.

Excluding the McCall's acquisition, the Group's 1990 third quarter and nine-month results were higher than the respective 1989 periods. Higher revenues for the 1990 nine-month period are due to the acquisition.

Broadcasting/Information Services Group: The group's third-quarter operating profit was $3.3 million in 1990, compared with $2.6 million in 1989 on revenues of $19.1 million and $17.8 million respectively. For the nine months operating profit was $10.5 million compared with $9.8 million in the comparable 1989 period on revenues of $57.9 million and $54.8 million respectively.

Forest Products Group: Equity in earnings (an after-tax amount) declined to $2.4 million in the 1990 third quarter, compared with $2.6 million in 1989. For the nine months, equity in earnings was $3.9 million in 1990, compared with $9.2 million in the 1989 period. The declines resulted primarily from price discounting due to continued softness in the newsprint market as well as an unfavorable Canadian currency exchange rate, which more than offset a newsprint price increase of $35 per metric ton which took effect June 1, 1990. On Sept. 10, the Canadian Paperworkers Union struck several Abitibi-Price mills including the Gaspesia mill in Chandler, Quebec, in which the Times Company holds a 49 percent interest. The dispute was settled and the mill was back in operation on Oct. 11.

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MIDLAND, MICH. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Prices of all products sold by Dow Corning will be increased 5 to 8 percent, effective Nov. 15, 1990, the company announced today.

The increase is due to rising costs which cannot be completely offset by productivity improvements, according to Jere D. Marciniak, vice president and director of sales and marketing operations.

Marciniak said existing price agreements with customers and distributors will be modified as terms permit.

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#90291p6563 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

PERKASIE, PA. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Independence Bancorp (NASDAQ: INBC) today reported net income of $5.5 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $4.4 million a year ago.

Primary earnings per share were $.50 compared with $.40 a year ago, while fully diluted earnings per share were $.49 vs. $.40 for the same period.

Net income for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $17.8 million, compared with $11.2 million a year ago. Primary and fully diluted earnings per share were $1.62 and $1.58 compared with $1.04 a year ago.

John D. Harding, president and chief executive officer, commented: "While our performance indicates that we are faring better than many of our peers in the current recessionary climate, we are aware of the economic softening and decline in real estate values that are expected to hinder loan growth and put pressure on bank earnings and loan quality into 1991. Therefore, we continue to monitor our asset quality, improve operating efficiency, control expenses and focus on increasing non- interest income."

The board of directors of Independence Bancorp on Oct. 16, 1990, declared a quarterly cash dividend of 29 cents per share, unchanged from the previous quarter. The dividend, payable on Nov. 9 to shareholders of record on Oct. 30 pays an annual rate of $1.16. Independence has approximately 11 million shares outstanding.

"In declaring our 33rd consecutive dividend, the Independence board of directors noted the company's strong capital position and improved earnings," said Monroe W. Long, chairman.

At Sept. 30, 1990, Independence's capital ratios continued to be well above regulatory minimums. Primary capital was 8.34 percent and total capital was 10.85 percent.

Total earning assets were $2.46 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $2.49 billion a year ago. Net interest income was $24.6 million for the Sept. 30 quarter compared with $24.4 million a year ago. Total loans were $1.64 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $1.68 billion a year ago.

Non-accrual loans and other real estate owned were $14.5 million at Sept. 30, 1990, or 0.88 percent of loans and other real estate owned, compared with $12.1 million or 0.72 percent in the third quarter of 1989 and $12.2 million and 0.74 percent at June 30, 1990.

Net charge-offs were $1.2 million for the quarter, compared with $1.0 million a year ago. The allowance for possible loan losses was $22.3 million at Sept. 30, 1990, representing 1.36 percent of total loans, compared with 1.36 percent a year ago.

Total deposits were $2.20 billion for the quarter compared with $2.21 billion, while core deposits grew 3.4 percent to $1.96 billion.

The net interest margin improved to 4.12 percent for the third quarter from

4.01 percent a year ago. Return on average assets was 0.83 percent for the quarter compared with 0.64 percent in 1989, and return on average equity for the third quarter of 1990 was 11.03 percent compared with 9.18 percent a year ago.

Non-interest income was $5.1 million for the Sept. 30 quarter, compared with $3.0 million a year ago, when securities losses of $2.3 million were taken.

Non-interest expense increased 2.2 percent to $21.5 million for the third quarter, compared with $21.0 million a year ago.

Independence Bancorp is a $2.6 billion bank holding company for four community banks in eastern Pennsylvania: Bucks County Bank and Trust Co., Cheltenham Bank, Lehigh Valley Bank and Third National Bank and Trust Company of Scranton.

INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC.
Financial Highlights
(Dollars in thousands)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Income:				
Net income	$5,479	$4,359	$17,836	$11,192
Per share:				
Primary	$.50	$.40	$1.62	$1.04
Fully diluted	.49	.40	1.58	1.04
Cash dividends paid	.29	.29	.87	.87
Book value	18.22	17.40	18.22	17.40
Net interest income	24,636	24,405	74,863	73,884
Tax-equivalent net interest income	25,350	25,319	77,136	77,254
Non-interest income	5,087	2,967	15,708	7,332
Extraordinary gain, net of tax	--	14	--	354
Non-interest expense	21,453	20,984	63,261	64,213
Income taxes	1,477	805	5,014	2,164
Loan loss provision	1,314	1,238	4,460	4,001
Net charge-offs	1,246	975	4,385	3,216
Financial Condition:				
Total assets	2,645,434	2,693,984	2,645,434	2,693,984
Total earning assets	2,457,132	2,488,593	2,457,132	2,488,593
Total investments	592,043	655,171	592,043	665,171
Total loans	1,641,982	1,675,938	1,641,982	1,675,938
Allowance for loan losses	22,331	22,818	22,331	22,818
Total deposits	2,195,569	2,213,669	2,195,569	2,213,669
Total short-term borrowings	127,438	170,496	127,438	170,496

Shareholders' equity	200,095	191,426	200,095	191,426
Shares Outstanding (millions): Total shares outstanding	10.982	11.000	10.982	11.000
Average primary shares	11.016	10.985	11.036	10.757
Average fully diluted shares	12.179	12.274	12.199	12.091
Selected Ratios (pct):				
Net interest margin	4.12	4.01	4.20	4.07
Allowance/loans	1.36	1.36	1.36	1.36
Average equity/average assets	7.55	6.98	7.41	6.74
Net charge-offs to average loans	0.30	0.23	0.35	0.26
Nonaccrual loans and other real estate owned to loans and other real estate owned	0.88	0.72	0.88	0.72
Allowance for possible loan losses to nonaccrual loans and other real estate owned	153.54	188.67	153.54	188.67

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#90291p6565 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEXINGTON, Ky. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Howard Spurr, vice president of Haben Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: HABN) today completed the acquisitions of Gyron Compounds, Inc., Good Development Polymers, Inc., and Master Cart, Inc., three privately held California corporations.

Terms of these acquisitions relate to an agreement in principal to acquire the aforementioned companies through the issuance of 8,500,000 restricted common shares of Haben Industries valued at $4,250,000.

Gyron Compounds, Inc. is a pioneer in the utilization of cross- linkable polyethylene containers for the automated refuse collection industry. The company's unique process upgrades commodity-grade resin to an "engineering grade" polyethylene for use by the rotationally molded automated refuse container segment of the plastic resin market.

Good Development Polymers, Inc. is the exclusive supplier of Gyron Compounds, supplying the chemicals and formulas which constitute the additives that when introduced to raw materials produce cross-linkable polyethylene compounds.

Master Cart, Inc. is engaged in the manufacturing and marketing of polyethylene refuse containers for the automated and semi-automated refuse collection industry.

Spurr stated that "These acquisitions demonstrate a text book example of vertical integration, from processing raw materials to manufacturing and marketing of the finished product, Haben has focused in a direction to maximize the value for its shareholders. Each of these companies is well positioned in attractive markets with quality products and offer a well-defined mission for growth."

The 250 million tons of trash ("solid waste") that U.S. households and companies routinely toss out each year currently represents a $20 billion industry in the United States.

Haben Industries, Inc. is a diversified company with interests in gas producing, drilling and equipment and fluid transmission systems.

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#90291p6566 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

READING, PA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Carpenter Technology Corp. (NYSE: CRS) today reported its sales and earnings for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

First quarter sales were $125.4 million, a 6 percent decline from $133.6 million in the same period last year. Net income was $6.5 million, compared to $7.8 million for the previous year. Earnings per share were $.76 compared to $.86 last year.

The lower sales were primarily the result of the elimination of surcharges and selling price reductions due to lower raw material costs. In addition, unit volume was lower by 2 percent due primarily to continued weakness in consumer-related markets. Partially offsetting the above factors was a continued shift in the product mix toward higher-valued products.

The decrease in net income resulted from the lower unit volume of shipments and increases in most costs other than raw materials. A more profitable product mix helped to partially offset these cost increases. The company implemented a 3.5-4 percent price increase on most of its products effective with shipments beginning on Oct. 1, 1990.

Paul R. Roedel, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, "The

first quarter results demonstrate that our strategy to upgrade our mix is working. In this uncertain economic environment, both the sales and earnings are in line with our expectations. We are continuing to seek market opportunities for higher-valued, less cyclical products."

Roedel further stated that the capital spending markets such as aerospace and energy remain strong, while the consumer durable markets such as automotive and appliances continue to be below last year's levels.

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#90291p6569 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Elios Pascual, the secretary-general of Renault Vehicules Industriels (RVI), has today been nominated to be chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Mack Trucks Inc., replacing Ralph Reins.

Pascual has spent his entire 20-year professional career in the heavy truck business at RVI where he is currently secretary-general with responsibility for long-term strategic planning and administration. In addition, he has had overall responsibility for relations between RVI and Mack where he has served as a member of the board of directors and its Executive and Finance Committee since 1983. Jean-Pierre Capron, chief executive officer of RVI, stated, "Elios Pascual was the logical choice to replace Ralph Reins. He knows the Mack organization inside and out. He was one of the principal officers of RVI during its turnaround. His knowledge and experience will be critical to our taking all necessary steps to return Mack to profitability while maintaining and increasing Mack's market share."

Pascual is expected to be elected at a Mack board meeting later this month and will assume office at the end of the month.

Mack Trucks Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of RVI, is one of North America's largest producers of heavy-duty diesel trucks, in addition to major product components. Mack also markets a line of medium-duty diesel trucks throughout North America, parts of Central America, Australia, and New Zealand. Mack vehicles are sold and serviced in more than 65 countries around the world.

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#90291p6571 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) (PE) said today that almost two-thirds of the electricity the company produced in the first nine months of 1990 was generated by nuclear power.

Of the 27.5 billion kilowatt-hours (kwh) of electricity generated by PE during the first three quarters of the year, 17.9 billion kwh, or 65.3 percent, was produced through nuclear power.

Joseph F. Paquette Jr., PE chairman and chief executive officer, said the fuel cost to generate the electricity produced by nuclear power during the first nine months of the year was approximately $490 million less than the fuel cost to produce the same amount of electricity with oil-fired generation.

He added that as the price of oil continues to rise due to the crisis in the Middle East, PE's commitment to nuclear generation will mean even more fuel savings for its customers for the remainder of the year.

Through September, just 5 percent of PE's power was produced by oil. Paquette said the Company's high nuclear output was due to the continued good performance of the four nuclear reactors operated by PE.

The units, two at the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station in York County and two at the Limerick Generating Station in Montgomery County, combined to operate at 77 percent of full capacity for the first nine months of the year.

In 1989, the average capacity factor for comparable nuclear reactors in the United States was 57.6 percent.

Including two generating units partially owned by PE and operated by Public Service Electric and Gas Co. at the Salem Generating Station in New Jersey, PE's six nuclear units combined to operate at 70 percent of full capacity for the first three quarters of the year.

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#90291p6573 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - W.R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA) today announced that one of its subsidiaries has signed a letter of intent with Henkel KGaA of Germany to negotiate the sale of Grace's worldwide Teroson business. Teroson a unit of Grace Specialty Chemicals Co. with operations throughout Europe, the United States, Canada and Japan, produces a wide range of adhesives, coatings, sealants and sound- deadening materials for use by the automobile industry and other manufacturers.

J.P. Bolduc, president and chief operating officer of Grace, said: "The expected sale of Teroson is a continuation of Grace's plan to concentrate our resources on businesses that fit the company's long-term strategy and is consistent with our restructuring announcements made earlier this year."

The transaction is subject to various conditions including completion of due diligence, the negotiation of a definitive agreement, approval by the boards of directors of both companies, and approval of regulatory authorities.

Grace Specialty Chemicals Co., a unit of W.R. Grace & Co., is the world's largest specialty chemical company, with sales of $3.3 billion. Grace's other selected interests include energy, health care and niche manufacturing and service businesses. Its total sales exceed $6 billion.

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#90291p6576 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MICH. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Great Lakes Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: GLBC) reported third-quarter net income of $3.4 million, up from $3.0 million earned in the same period a year ago. In the nine months ended Sept. 30, Great Lakes earned $9.9 million, compared with $9.6 million in the period a year ago.

Third-quarter primary earnings per share totaled 69 cents compared with 76 cents in the quarter a year ago. Fully diluted earnings per share totaled 63 cents compared with 68 cents a year ago. For the nine-month periods, primary earnings per share totaled $2.32 compared with $2.44; fully diluted earnings per share totaled $2.11 compared with $2.15. Reported earnings per share were lower, despite higher net income, because of the accounting for dividends paid on Great Lakes' new preferred shares, which were issued at the end of the second quarter.

"Great Lakes' net interest income, income from service fees and net interest margin have all improved," said Roy E. Weber, Great Lakes Bancorp's chairman and chief executive officer. "This, combined with a sharp reduction in income from nonrecurring gains, means that core income, the fundamental earnings capacity of a bank, continues to strengthen."

Net interest income totaled $18.8 million for the quarter just ended, compared with $17.0 million a year ago. For the nine-month periods, net interest income totaled $54.3 million and $49.8 million, respectively.

Great Lakes made a $2.0 million provision for possible loan losses for the third quarter, bringing the total provision made in 1990 to $4.1 million. The provisions in the quarter and nine-month periods a year ago were $0.8 million and $2.1 million. "Given the regulatory and current economic environments, we think it's wise to continue building the bank's cushion against possible loan losses," Weber said.

Great Lakes has a low level of nonperforming assets by industry standards, with nonperformers amounting to just 0.55 percent of total assets. The bank's

reserve for possible loan losses, which has grown 52 percent in 1990 to $10.8 million, equals 53 percent of nonperforming assets.

Exclusive of its acquisition of Dollar Federal Savings Bank in Hamilton, Ohio, Great Lakes' general and administrative expenses showed no increase from a year ago, and declined from the prior quarter. "We've always believed it was important to hold the line on expenses," Weber commented, "but it has become crucial to operate more efficiently without sacrificing service quality." Great Lakes' ratio of expenses to average total assets is 1.58 percent.

Great Lakes had total loan originations in the third quarter of $108 million, composed of: $66.6 million of residential mortgages, net of refinancings; $19.9 million of income property loans, net of refinancings; and $21.6 million of consumer loans. The commercial loan portfolio declined $10.5 million, with repayments exceeding new loans. At Sept. 30, Great Lakes had total loans receivable of $3.4 billion.

Stockholders' equity in Great Lakes increased 26 percent from a year ago to $181 million, due in part to the success of Great Lakes' public offering in the second quarter of 1990 of preferred units, which raised $25 million of capital for the bank. Great Lakes' tangible capital ratio at Sept. 30 was 2.65 percent and its core capital ratio was 4.23 percent, both in excess of the current regulatory requirements of 1.5 percent and 3.0 percent, respectively. The tangible book value per share of common stock increased 39 percent from a year ago to $17.89.

Great Lakes Bancorp has 52 branches in Michigan and operates Dollar Federal Savings Bank, a subsidiary with five branches in the north- Cincinnati area. Great Lakes also operates Great Lakes Mortgage Co., a mortgage banking subsidiary. With $3.7 billion in assets, Great Lakes Bancorp is Michigan's second-largest savings bank.

GREAT LAKES BANCORP, A Federal Savings Bank
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	THREE MONTHS ENDED	
	09/30/90	09/30/89
	(Dollars in Millions, Except Per Share Data)	
EARNINGS DATA		
Net Interest Income	$18.8	$17.0
Gain on Sale of Mortgages and Securities, Net	1.9	1.8
Provision for Possible Loan Losses	2.0	0.8
Amortization of Intangibles	1.4	1.4
Net Income	3.4	3.0
PER SHARE DATA		
Primary Earnings Per Share	$0.69	$0.76
Fully Diluted Earnings Per Share	0.63	0.68
Dividends Declared	0.20	0.20

Book Value per Common Share at Period End	39.61	36.84
Tangible Book Value per Common Share at Period End	17.89	12.84
OTHER DATA		
Total Assets	$3,683	$3,574
Loans Receivable	3,352	3,218
Deposits	2,012	1,886
Stockholders' Equity	181	144
Tangible Capital	95	50
Annualized Return on Average Assets	0.37%	0.33%
Annualized Return on Average Common Equity	7.01%	8.37%
Net Interest Income to General and Administrative Expenses	128.50%	121.23%
Nonperforming Assets to Total Assets (1)	0.55%	0.34%
Yield on Average Earning Assets	10.28%	10.66%
Cost of Funds	8.05%	8.54%
Interest Rate Spread	2.23%	2.12%

(1) Nonaccruing loans, restructured loans yielding less than the Bank's cost of funds, and real estate acquired as a result of foreclosure or deed in lieu thereof.

GREAT LAKES BANCORP, A Federal Savings Bank
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	NINE MONTHS ENDED	
	09/30/90	09/30/89
	(Dollars in Millions, Except Per Share Data)	
EARNINGS DATA		
Net Interest Income	$54.3	49.8
Gain on Sale of Mortgages and Securities, Net	7.0	11.6
Provision for Possible Loan Losses	4.1	2.1
Amortization of Intangibles	4.2	6.5
Net Income	9.9	9.6
PER SHARE DATA		
Primary Earnings Per Share	$2.32	2.44
Fully Diluted Earnings Per Share	$2.11	2.15
Dividends Declared	0.60	0.60
Book Value per Common Share at Period End	39.61	36.84
Tangible Book Value per Common Share at Period End	17.89	12.84
OTHER DATA		
Total Assets	$3,683	3,574
Loans Receivable	3,352	3,218
Deposits	2,012	1,886
Stockholders' Equity	181	144
Tangible Capital	95	50
Annualized Return on Average Assets	0.36%	0.35%

Annualized Return on Average Common Equity	8.06%	9.11%
Net Interest Income to General and Administrative Expenses	122.31%	119.60%
Nonperforming Assets to Total Assets (1)	0.55%	0.34%
Yield on Average Earning Assets	10.30%	10.52%
Cost of Funds	8.17%	8.54%
Interest Rate Spread	2.13%	1.98%

(1) Nonaccruing loans, restructured loans yielding less than the Bank's cost of funds, and real estate acquired as a result of foreclosure or deed in lieu thereof.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Los Angeles police successfully thwarted auto thieves Tuesday night by tracking down another LoJack-equipped stolen vehicle.

This is the fifth stolen vehicle recovered by law enforcement since the LoJack Stolen Vehicle Recovery Network became operational countywide in late July. Over the ten-week period, the system has proven 100 percent successful in Los Angeles County, contributing to a 95 percent recovery rate nationwide.

The most recent track occurred when an owner of a new Honda Prelude reported his car stolen late Tuesday afternoon in El Segundo. The LoJack network was activated and officers from the Los Angeles Police Department picked up the signal at 10:50 p.m.

Just ten minutes later, at 11:00 p.m., the stolen vehicle was located in a locked garage in South Central Los Angeles. The car had sustained minimal damage. Police are following up with an investigation of a possible auto "chop shop" in operation.

LoJack is the system that allows police to track, locate and recover stolen vehicles. Once the LoJack transponder or homing device has been activated, police are able to pick up a silent radio frequency signal and track the vehicle using police tracking computers.

The LoJack system has not only led to recoveries of stolen vehicle makes such as Jeep, Honda, BMW and Volvo before they were significantly damaged, but has assisted police in making arrests.

"Our company hopes to impact the countywide incidence of auto-related crimes through the use of LoJack," said John Raber, director of marketing and sales for LoJack. "The LoJack system has demonstrated itself to be a viable means of

protection for Los Angeles auto owners."

Raber reports strong sales of LoJack in Los Angeles as consumer awareness grows along with acceptance of the new technology. According to Raber, his division was the most successful new operation in the corporation's history because the product addresses consumer needs in the No. 1 ranked auto theft capital in the United States.

LoJack retails for $595 installed, with no additional fees or charges. The LoJack Recovery System can be purchased by calling 1-800-LA LOJACK (1-800-525-6522), or by visiting one of over 300 authorized new car dealerships.

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#90291p6582 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Arby's Inc., a leading international fast-food chain, has purchased the assets, trademarks and franchising rights for Daddy-O's Express Drive-Thru restaurants.

Arby's acquired the Columbus, Ohio-based Daddy-O's from G.D. Ritzy's Inc., a public company also based in Columbus. Arby's plans to offer the concept as an alternative franchising opportunity to the traditional Arby's restaurants.

Daddy-O's, a double drive-thru restaurant concept, has five operating restaurants in the Midwest. The buildings are rectangular in shape, between 550-650 square feet, with drive-thrus on both sides.

Daddy-O's inexpensive menu (prices for a complete meal range between $2 to $3) features flame-broiled hamburgers and cheeseburgers, hot dogs and chili dogs, chicken breast sandwiches, burritos, a garden salad, Better Batter(TM) fries, Hershey(TM) chocolate milkshakes, soft drinks, coffee, and even milkbones for dogs. Depending on the location, hours for Daddy-O's range from 10 a.m. to after midnight.

Arby's management believes that Daddy-O's double drive thru concept has tremendous franchising potential for new and existing franchisees.

"We are exploring alternate restaurant concepts in which our franchisees can invest," said Frank Belatti, Arby's president and chief operating officer.

"Arby's has always looked upon its franchisees as business partners and investors, and Daddy-O's will give them an opportunity to expand their business in trading areas where they've fully developed their Arby's restaurants. Daddy-O's is a concept that is easy to operate and an inexpensive

investment compared to more traditional quick-service restaurants." Construction and equipment costs for a Daddy-O's are expected to range between $200,000 to $300,000, excluding land costs.

"I'm very excited that we have found Daddy-O's," said Kam Nassar, Arby's executive vice president of finance and business development. "It is the concept of the '90s - the service is super fast, the price value is excellent, the food tastes great, and the menu is simple and very popular. This is what we've been looking for since the beginning of the year," Nassar said.

"Because of Arby's franchising expertise, especially in the areas of marketing training and operational guidance, we feel we can grow Daddy-O's into a significantly larger chain in the next five years," said Thomas Whitley, Arby's senior vice president of marketing and strategic development.

CONTACT: Norma Stanley of Arby's, (404) 262-2729, or Ellen Hartman or Lynn Sokler of Manning, Selvage & Lee, (404) 875-1444, for Arby's.

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#90291p6584 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - ICE Communications has been selected to develop and implement a local store marketing program for the Endicott Johnson Retail Corporation, ICE President Fran Cosentino announced today. The program will consist of three components: advertising, sales promotion, and public relations.

ICE will be responsible for creating and executing national in-store promotions at the local store marketing level for all of Endicott Johnson's Father & Son and Family shoe stores, which include 448 outlets in 29 states.

The ICE team will also produce localized programs tailored to the needs of individual outlets, and support materials for these in-store promotions will include print advertising and point-of-sale pieces.

In addition, the agency will provide: special events coordination; local store marketing workshops; and an evaluation tracking system to measure the project's performance.

"ICE Communications was chosen for this assignment because of their skill as retail marketers," said Mary Donnett, vice president of advertising and display for Endicott Johnson. "We believe their strength and breadth of experience in the area of integrated marketing communications will help us take advantage of opportunities to increase sales."

"We're pleased to gain Endicott Johnson as a client. This communications program is an important endeavor at this particular point in its 101-year history. I'm confident that the ICE team will form a strong partnership with

the Endicott Johnson Retail Corporation to achieve its sales and marketing objectives," said Cosentino.

ICE Communications, located at 2290 East Ave., is Rochester's largest independent full-service marketing, advertising, and public relations agency. In addition to clients in the health care industry, ICE serves clients in the consumer, industrial, and public service sectors.

CONTACT: Barbara Laughton of ICE Communications, (716) 244-5400.

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#90291p6587 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SIOUX CITY, IA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - On Oct. 17, 1990 the board of directors of Midwest Energy Co. (NYSE: MWE) took no action on declaring the dividend on its common stock payable Dec. 1, 1990.

The terms of the merger agreement between Midwest Energy and Iowa Resources Inc. (NYSE: IOR) call for an adjustment dividend to be paid to shareholders at the time the merger occurs. The adjustment dividend will cover the period from the last dividend payment to the effective date of the merger and will be based on the normal quarterly dividend rate.

If the merger has not occurred before the second half of November, the board of directors of Midwest Energy expect to declare the regular dividend to be paid on Dec. 1, 1990.

On Oct. 17, 1990 the directors of Iowa Public Service Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of Midwest Energy, declared the regular quarterly dividend on the 3.90 percent, 3.75 percent, 4.20 percent, 8.08 percent and 7.64 percent Cumulative Preferred Stocks and the $8.32, $8.52, and $7.35 Class A Preferred Stocks, payable Dec. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 9, 1990.

Midwest Energy is a holding company with major interests in electric and natural gas utility operations and additional investments in diversified businesses.

Midwest Energy's utility operations provide electricity to 156,000 customers in 228 Iowa and 5 South Dakota communities and natural gas to 347,000 customers in 208 Iowa, 38 Minnesota, eight South Dakota, and three Nebraska communities.

Midwest Energy's common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and the Midwest Stock Exchange under the symbol "MWE".

CONTACT: Peter R. Langlois of Midwest Energy Co., (712) 277-7810.

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#90291p6588 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Electromagnetic Sciences Inc. (NASDAQ: ELMG) today reported financial results for the third quarter of 1990 which were consistent with the company's expectations announced publicly on Oct. 3.

The third quarter included a previously announced $3,400,000 pre-tax charge to operating income for strategic restructuring of the company's microwave operations. As a result, the company reported a loss of $(1,959,000) or $(.28) per share in the third quarter of 1990 and $(1,658,000) or $(.23) per share in the first nine months. These results compare with earnings one year earlier of $381,000 or $.05 per share for the third quarter and $1,502,000 or $.21 per share for the first nine months.

The company's restructuring program will involve consolidation of facilities, elimination of excess capacity, and streamlining of the organizational structure. This program is expected to improve profitability in 1991 and beyond. Before the restructuring charge, the company would have earned approximately $150,000 or $.02 per share in the third quarter.

Sales in 1990 have increased over 1989 for both microwave electronics products and LXE data communications systems. As a result, the company's net sales for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 increased to $17.3 million and $49.5 million, respectively, from $13.8 million and $39.9 million for the same interim periods in 1989.

The company continued to have success with its strategy of market diversification, gathering well over 50 percent of its third-quarter orders from commercial and international markets. The $18.5 million of orders received in the third quarter increased the backlog at Sept. 30 to a record $53.1 million, compared with $49.5 million at the beginning of the year.

Electromagnetic Sciences Inc. designs and produces a wide range of microwave equipment and radio-linked communications equipment. The company's microwave components, subsystems, and systems are used in space mainly for communications and scientific research; these products are also used for surface and airborne applications in a variety of electronic systems such as radar and electronic countermeasures. The company's radio-linked data communications systems are produced by its subsidiary, LXE Inc., for materials handling markets.

ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC.
Summary of Consolidated Financial Data
(In thousands, except earnings per share)

	Qtr. ended		9 mos. ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$ 17,307	$ 13,752	$ 49,475	$ 39,853
Operating expenses	17,118	13,287	48,870	38,012

Restructuring charge	3,400	0	3,400	0
Operating income (loss)	(3,211)	465	(2,795)	1,840
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(3,163)	614	(2,675)	2,422
Net earnings (loss)	(1,959)	381	(1,658)	1,502
Earnings (loss) per shr.	$ (.28)	$ .05	$ (.23)	$ .21

Condensed Balance Sheet

at Sept. 30, 1990			
Current and marketable securities	$ 11,202	Current liabilities	$ 8,596
Receivables	16,876	Long-term debt	8,323
Inventories	5,764	Other liabilities	5,386
Net plant and equip.	28,941		
Other assets	3,130	Stockholders' equity	43,608
Total	$ 65,913		$ 65,913

CONTACT: Don T. Scartz, vice president - Finance, for Electromagnetic Sciences, 404-263-9200

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#90291p6589 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines said this morning it has returned to service all 12 McDonnell Douglas DC-9s that were removed from flying Wednesday to check for possible contamination of hydraulic fluid.

No further flight cancellations are required, and customers should expect flights to operate on time.

The airline said Wednesday it suspected that hand soap may have inadvertently been added to the hydraulic lines of the aircraft. The planes were removed from service for testing, which caused the airline to cancel 50 flights Wednesday.

Of the 12 planes, 10 were found to have no contamination. Two aircraft were found to have liquid soap mixed with hydraulic fluid. The systems were flushed and replenished with new hydraulic fluid. All 12 planes were returned to service this morning.

The aircraft were not damaged, and at no time was safety jeopardized, the airline said.

Northwest said it continues to look into how the mistake was made.

CONTACT: Kevin Whalen or Robert Gibbons of Northwest Airlines, 612-726-2331

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#90291p6595 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MICH. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company's 1990 natural gas purchase plans have been found reasonable by the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC). Consumers Power is Michigan's lowest cost, major gas utility.

"We are pleased that the Commission has determined that our strategy of purchasing gas under long-term, fixed-price contracts is reasonable and beneficial for the 3.4 million Michigan residents we serve," said the utility's executive vice president for Natural Gas and Marketing, Michael G. Morris.

Consumers Power has the right to secure 100 percent of its anticipated gas requirements for its firm customers through contracts with interstate pipeline suppliers, as well as U.S. and Canadian producers. These contracts also provide for firm prices while allowing flexibility to purchase gas in the spot market when those prices are advantageous.

The MPSC's ruling on Consumers Power's 1990 gas costs marks the first time in which the regulatory body has ruled on estimated costs in the same year those costs are incurred. "This timely action by the Commission is appreciated and significantly assists the management of our gas operations," noted Morris.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties. It is the nation's sixth-largest gas distribution utility serving 215 cities and villages, including suburban Detroit, Bay City, Flint, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Lansing, Pontiac and Saginaw, in 40 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of Consumers Power Company, 517-788-2396

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#90291p6601 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Mary Kay Corporation announced today that it had extended to midnight, Oct. 18, the period during which the holders of its 15 percent discount debentures could consent to certain proposed amendments to the terms of the debentures and receive a cash payment of $10 per $1,000 principal amount of debentures. The company also extended to midnight, Oct. 18, the period during which tendered bonds would be given priority for purchase in its previously commenced tender offer for up to 64 percent of the debentures. The tender offer remains scheduled to expire at midnight on Oct. 30.

CONTACT: Dwight Smith, 214-720-0607, for Mary Kay

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#90291p6602 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
DECATUR, ILL. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Archer Daniels Midland Company (NYSE: ADM) today declared a dividend of two-and-one- half cents a share on the company's stock payable Dec. 3, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 9, 1990.

This is ADM's 256th cash dividend and 236th consecutive quarterly payment, a record of 59 years of uninterrupted dividends. There are 300,390,726 shares of ADM stock outstanding.

CONTACT: R.E. Burket of Archer Daniels Midland, 217-424-5413

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#90291p6607 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Promising a new era in pharmaceutical research, Glaxo Inc. today formally opened its 1.5-million-square-foot research and development center in Research Triangle Park, N.C.

"This facility is a symbol of what we have achieved, as well as a symbol of what we will become," Charles A. Sanders, M.D., chief executive of the pharmaceutical giant, said at a morning dedication ceremony. "Our capability in discovery research and drug development has never been greater. Our commitment to R&D has never been stronger."

Since its creation in 1977, Glaxo Inc. has become one of the nation's leading pharmaceutical companies, with annual sales of about $2 billion.

Sanders said the 10-building, $350 million complex, believed to be the largest pharmaceutical research and development facility in the United States, puts the company in a good position to build on its success with a new emphasis on discovery research and development.

The facility will be called The Sir Paul Girolami Research Center in honor of the chairman of Glaxo Holdings p.l.c. (NYSE: GLX), the U.S. company's London-based parent. At the dedication ceremony, Sir Paul said he was pleased by the honor, but more pleased at the opportunity the center represents.

"Ours is a growth business, a very challenging business, with science as its cornerstone," he said. "The work carried on here, and in our research facilities around the world, will determine the future of our company. And we think it's a very bright future indeed."

Ernest Mario, Glaxo Holdings chief executive and former CEO of Glaxo Inc., said the center would be a key element in the global approach to business

championed by Sir Paul.

"Sir Paul had the foresight to realize that the successful companies of the 21st century will be those that compete on a global scale. He also recognized that a multinational company that depends on innovation must search out creativity on a global scale, too," he said.

"This strategy and this facility will keep us successful. But the real winners will be patients who are helped by the Glaxo medicines of the future."

The dedication marked the opening of three of the 10 buildings planned for the complex, along with two parking garages. The entire facility will be complete in late 1991.

Glaxo Inc. researches, develops, manufactures and markets prescription medicines including those for the treatment of gastrointestinal disorders, respiratory ailments, cardiovascular diseases, infectious diseases and diseases of the skin.

CONTACT: Rick Sluder, Public Affairs, Glaxo Inc., 919-248-2112

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#90291p6611 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

LITTLE ROCK, ARK. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir will inaugurate service to Little Rock on Jan. 8, 1991, with three daily flights to its primary connecting hub at Charlotte, N.C.

Flights will be scheduled to make the maximum number of connections to and from the 310 daily USAir jet flights and 159 USAir Express flights at Charlotte, the largest of USAir's connecting hub complexes.

Operated with 68 passenger F-28 jets, the new flights will depart Little Rock at 8:50 a.m., 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. and arrive Charlotte respectively, at 11:25 a.m., 3:35 p.m. and 6:35 p.m.

Return flights will depart Charlotte at 10:15 a.m., 1:25 p.m. and 9 p.m., and arrive in Little Rock at 11:35 a.m., 2:44 p.m. and 10:15 p.m.

At the Charlotte hub, Little Rock travelers will be able to connect to USAir and USAir Express flights linking Charlotte with nearly 100 other cities throughout the United States and abroad, including London, Nassau and San Juan.

Little Rock will become the 133rd airport and Arkansas the 37th state to receive jet service by USAir. USAir's 445 jets operate nearly 3,000 daily flight departures, more than any other airline outside of the Soviet Union.

In 1989 USAir carried nearly 62 million passengers, ranking third among U.S.

airlines and fourth in the world. In addition to Great Britain and Nassau, international destinations include three Canadian cities, Bermuda and Frankfurt, Germany.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, 703-418-5100, or 213-417-1294 (western region)

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#90291p6612 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, Al (Oct. 18) PR Newswire - Moore-Handley Inc. (NASDAQ: MHCO) reported income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 of $157,000 or $.07 per share compared to a loss of $.01 per share in the third quarter of 1989. Sales for the quarter were $29,546,000, highest in the company's history and up 14 percent from last year.

For the nine months, sales were up 24 percent over 1989 and net income was $.22 per share vs. a loss of $.21 per share for the same period in 1989.

The company noted that this was the fifth consecutive quarter to show improved results over the corresponding period of the previous year. Summary results of operations follow:

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS (in thousands, except per share data)

Quarter ended	9/30/90	9/30/89
Sales	$29,546	$26,024
Total gross margin	5,527	4,715
Warehouse & delivery expense	1,790	1,607
Gross profit	3,737	3,108
Selling & admin. expense	3,302	2,958
Operating income (loss)	435	150
Interest expense	174	189
Income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income tax	261	(39)
Income tax (benefit)	104	(15)
Net income (loss)	$ 157	$ (24)
Per share data:		
Net income (loss)	$ .07	$ (.01)
Weighted average number of outstanding shares	2,257,000	2,282,000

Nine months ended	9/30/90	9/30/89
Sales	$87,649	$70,880
Total gross margin	16,362	13,467
Warehouse & delivery expense	5,288	4,773
Gross profit	11,074	8,694
Selling & admin. expense	9,702	8,882
Operating income (loss)	1,372	(188)

Interest expense	549	579
Income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income tax	823	(767)
Income tax (benefit)	329	(291)
Net income (loss)	$ 494	$ (476)
Per share data:		
Net income (loss)	$ .22	$ (.21)
Weighted average number of outstanding shares	2,267,000	2,276,000

CONTACT: L. Ward Edwards of Moore-Handley Inc., (404) 577-5532.

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#90291p6614 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHBROOK, IL (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Raymond F. Bentele, executive vice president and president and chief executive officer of Mallinckrodt, Inc., has been elected vice chairman of IMCERA Group Inc. (NYSE: IMA). He also was elected to the company's board of directors at yesterday's annual meeting of stockholders.

Bentele, 53, IMCERA executive vice president and a member of the office of the chief executive since 1989, has been president of Mallinckrodt since 1981.

The presidents and chief executive officers of IMCERA's three operating companies -- C. R. Holman of Mallinckrodt Medical, Mack G. Nichols of Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals, and Boyd D. Wainscott of Pitman-Moore -- also were elected corporate officers and vice presidents, effective immediately.

Holman, 48, was named president and CEO of Mallinckrodt Medical in January 1989. He joined Mallinckrodt in 1976 and held positions of increasing responsibility, including appointment as group vice president, medical products, in 1985. He received a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Missouri in 1964.

Nichols, 52, was promoted to president and CEO of Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals in January 1989. He joined Mallinckrodt in 1979 and became group vice president, chemical group in 1982. Prior to joining Mallinckrodt, Nichols spent 18 years with Monsanto. He earned a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Auburn University in 1961.

Wainscott, 46, was elected president and CEO of Pitman-Moore in August 1990. He joined Pitman-Moore in 1987 as senior vice president, marketing, and was promoted to executive vice president in 1989. Wainscott received a bachelor's degree in agronomy from the University of Kentucky in 1966.

Mallinckrodt Medical, headquartered in St. Louis, had net sales and operating

earnings of $399.8 million and $50.3 million, respectively, for fiscal 1990 ended June 30. Also headquartered in St. Louis, Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals reported net sales and operating earnings of $444.4 million and $48.6 million, respectively, in fiscal 1990. A leading animal health and nutrition company headquartered in Lake Forest, Ill., Pitman-Moore recorded net sales and operating earnings of $580.4 million and $55.6 million, respectively, in fiscal 1990.

IMCERA, formerly International Minerals & Chemical Corporation, also owns approximately 38 percent of the common stock of IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc.

CONTACT: (Media) Dave Prichard, 708-205-2270, or
(Investors) Elizabeth Higashi, 708-205-2189, both of IMCERA

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#90291p6617 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Denver-based American Securities Transfer Inc. (AST) has announced the acquisition of all of the business operations and accounts of (FAST) of Phoenix and Scotsdale, Ariz.

Philip M. Young, former president of FAST, will remain with the company as a marketing representative in the Phoenix area.

AST chairman Charles R. Harrison said that with this acquisition, AST will have a total issue base of 1,300 publicly traded accounts and will be the second largest independent stock transfer company in the U.S.

AST acquired Mountain States Stock Transfer and Colorado Stock Transfer companies in 1989. AST opened its New York office in January 1990.

CONTACT: Charles R. Harrison of American Securities Transfer Inc., 303-298-5370

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#90291p6618 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of RAC Mortgage Investment Corporation (NYSE: RMR) today reported net income of $3.4 million, or $.24 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company previously declared a third quarter dividend of $.20 per share, compared to $.03 per share for the same period last year. Year-to-date earnings were $9.3 million, or $.65 per share.

The volume of mortgage loans purchased through RAC Mortgage's mortgage loan purchase program was $138 million, slightly above the volume in the second quarter, but substantially below the $393 million peak during the fourth quarter of 1989. In a continuing effort to improve the volume, the company

introduced two adjustable-rate loan programs in the third quarter.

The company continues to reduce the portfolio's yield sensitivity to the level of short-term interest rates by reinvesting principal in fixed-rate investments. During the quarter, RAC Mortgage added $2.6 million of fixed-rate mortgage securities to its investment portfolio.

RAC Mortgage Investment Corporation is a publicly held real estate investment trust which invests in mortgage loans, mortgage securities, mortgage residuals interests and mortgage derivative securities. The company is managed by Ryland Acceptance Corporation, an indirect subsidiary of The Ryland Group, Inc.

CONTACT: Sheryl P. Kurland of RAC Mortgage Investment, 301-730-6851

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#90291p6621 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARK RIDGE, IL. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Brand Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: BRAN) announced today that its board of directors has elected Victor J. Barnhart president and chief operating officer, and a member of the board of directors, effective Nov. 1, 1990.

Barnhart has served as president of Chem-Nuclear Systems, Inc., located in Columbia, S.C., since 1986, and has over 20 years of experience in the nuclear industry. Chem-Nuclear is a subsidiary of Chemical Waste Management, Inc., of Oak Brook, Ill.

As president and chief operating officer, Barnhart will have day-to-day responsibility for all of Brand's operational activities. He replaces Alvin K. Eaton, one of the company's founders, who will continue to be associated with Brand as a consultant.

Barnhart is a registered professional engineer and holds several equipment and process patents. He was graduated from Johns Hopkins University with a B.S.E. degree in engineering and is a member of Tau Beta Pi, the national engineering honor society.

Barnhart will relocate to the Chicago area with his wife and family from South Carolina. Brand is the nation's leading firm offering asbestos abatement, industrial scaffolding and related services.

CONTACT: Harold W. Ingalls of Brand Companies, 708-298-1200

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#90291p6622 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Lucas Western Inc., Flight Structures Division (FSD), Jamestown, N.D., has been selected by McDonnell Douglas as the

source to supply lightweight cargo handling systems for the MD-11 series aircraft.

This contract is valued at $60 million, excluding additional business from spare parts and retrofits. Work will be done at the company's manufacturing facility in Jamestown. Delivery of the first cargo handling systems is scheduled for September 1991.

FSD will utilize the same just-in-time concept on the MD-11 as it currently utilizes to supply Boeing Aircraft Company. Cargo systems are delivered directly to the Boeing assembly line, eliminating additional costs associated with inventory carrying charges, storage and receiving inspection.

FSD has carried its just-in-time concept a step further by committing to "Quality on Time." This commitment has resulted in a record of delivering to Boeing 100 percent of all systems on time and defect free.

This McDonnell Douglas contract places FSD as the industry's leading supplier of commercial air cargo systems. The company has been designing and manufacturing air cargo systems for more than 20 years.

A subsidiary of Lucas Aerospace, Lucas Western Inc., Flight Structures Division manufactures cargo handling systems, aircraft structures and weapons launching systems.

With operations in the United Kingdom, North America, and France, and an extensive network of customer support and marketing facilities worldwide, Lucas Aerospace employs 12,000 people and generates annual revenues of $1 billion. Primary business units include: Engine Systems, Flight Control and Actuation Systems, Power Generation Systems, Aerospace Systems and Customer Support.

CONTACT: Renate H. Zelko of Lucas Aerospace, (703) 264-2387; or, Bob Moulton or Liz Underhill of RLP-Moulton International, (703) 620-0141, for Lucas Aerospace.

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#90291p6625 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CENTURY CITY, CALIF. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - First Regional Bancorp (NASDAQ: FRGB) reported increased net income and growth in its third quarter, Jack A. Sweeney, chairman and chief executive officer, announced today.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income rose to $320,000, or 15 cents per share, from $291,000, or 14 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months, net income was $663,000, or 31 cents per share, compared to $771,000, or 36 cents per share, in the like period last year.

Sweeney commented: "First Regional Bank continued to experience increased levels of business in the third quarter. We are pleased that total assets, total deposits, and net loans all rose compared to prior year levels and to the previous quarter. This growth in turn contributed to our improved earnings in the period."

Sweeney concluded: "Although we have achieved significant growth so far this year, First Regional has continued to strengthen its capital and reserve positions during this expansion. While there is considerable uncertainty about the future direction of the economy of California and the nation, we remain optimistic about the outlook for First Regional. We will continue to follow an operating strategy which focuses on a strong capital position and prudent reserves. Such a strategy gives us the flexibility to succeed regardless of the course of the economy."

First Regional Bancorp is a bank holding company headquartered in Century City. First Regional Bank, its subsidiary, specializes in providing businesses and professionals with the management expertise of a major bank and the personalized service of an independent.

CONTACT: Jack A. Sweeney, chairman of First Regional Bancorp, 213-552-1776

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#90291p6627 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

POUGHKEEPSIE, NY (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Sono-Tek Corporation (NASDAQ: SOTK) today announced that it has been granted a worldwide license by AT&T, under AT&T patents, to manufacture and sell environmentally safe no-clean solder fluxing systems.

This application developed by AT&T using Sono-Tek's proprietary ultrasonic liquid atomization technology, is important in the electronics manufacturing industry because it makes possible the fabrication of printed circuit board assemblies without the use of chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) cleaning solvents, which have been linked to the depletion of the atmospheric ozone layer. In 1986, the global printed circuit board manufacturing industry used some 40,000 tons of CFC's, representing nearly 10 percent of all CFC's produced.

Sono-Tek, which manufactures ultrasonic nozzles systems that are used in many environmental improvement related applications in the semi- conductor, electronics, medical devices, chemical processing and other industries, has launched a major campaign to sell its fluxing systems to this multi-billion dollar industry.

CONTACT: Harvey L. Berger, president of Sono-Tek, 800-227-9747 or 914-471-6090

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#90291p6629 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Tuboscope Corporation (NASDAQ: TUBO) today announced financial results for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reported net income of approximately $1.8 million, or 15 cents a share, for the third quarter of 1990, compared to a net loss of approximately $1.3 million, or 34 cents a share (after preferred stock dividends), for the third quarter of 1989. The increase in net income was primarily due to an approximate $9 million, or 36 percent, increase in revenue and a decrease in interest expense of approximately $1.3 million. In addition, the third quarter of 1989 included preferred stock dividends of $530,000, while there were no such dividends in the third quarter of 1990.

During the third quarter of 1990, revenue increased to approximately $34.1 million, up from approximately $25.1 million in 1989. This increase in revenue was significant in each of the company's main product lines: oilfield services, pipeline, and mill sales and services. Oilfield services revenue increased approximately $6.2 million, or 32 percent, due to an increase in domestic oil and gas drilling and workover activity, as the company's inspection and coating services both reflected strong increases. Pipeline Service revenue was up approximately $1 million, or 23 percent, due primarily to an increase in foreign pipeline inspection work. Mill sales and services increased $1.7 million due mainly to the sale of a mill inspection unit in September.

The decrease in interest expense was a result of the retirement of the company's bank debt on March 20, 1990, with proceeds from its initial public offering. Simultaneous with this offering, all outstanding preferred stock was exchanged for common stock.

Headquartered in Houston, Tuboscope provides specialized services and products to the oil and gas industry worldwide. The company provides inspection and coating services for oil country tubular goods (drill pipe, casing, and tubing), sells tubular connections, provides in-place inspection of oil and gas pipelines, and sells and leases inspection equipment to manufacturers of tubulars. The company designs and manufactures its proprietary inspection and coating equipment and formulates and manufactures its own internal coatings.

CONTACT: Gilbert Y. Marchand of Tuboscope, 713-799-5100

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#90291p6631 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
CALHOUN, GA. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Crown Crafts Inc. (AMEX: CRW) announced today that it had repurchased 16,700 shares of its common stock at $11.00 per share.

All of the shares involved were sold by one seller. The company also announced that, if current stock market conditions persist, it intends to purchase approximately 100,000 additional shares of its common stock under its previously announced repurchase program.

Crown Crafts Inc., located in Calhoun, Ga., manufactures and distributes bed covering products and related fashion accessories.

CONTACT: Paul A. Criscillis Jr., vice president and chief financial officer of Crown Crafts, 404-629-7941

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LISLE, IL. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Citing continuing strong sales performance Tellabs Inc. (NASDAQ: TLAB) today reported higher sales and earnings for the third quarter of 1990.

Sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 28 were $49,982,000, up 25.4 percent compared with sales of $39,860,000 for the same period in 1989. Sales for the first nine months of the year were $150,855,000, a 20.2 percent increase over sales of $125,502,000 a year earlier.

Net income for the third quarter was $942,000, a 76.7 percent increase from $533,000 a year earlier. For the first nine months, net income decreased 4.7 percent to $5,615,000 from $5,889,000 a year earlier. Earnings per share of common stock were seven cents, compared to four cents for the third quarter of 1989.

"Sales were strong across all of our product lines," said Tellabs President Michael J. Birck. "This continued sales strength was offset by high operating expenses, which continue to run well ahead of expenses through the same periods last year. This accelerated spending was planned as we allocate resources toward bringing to market new products that support the company's strategic direction."

During the third quarter, Tellabs' SONET-based Titan(TM) digital cross-connect systems at three field-trial sites across the United States received planned software updates. These updates have allowed the field-trial customers to test many of the features that will be available with the initial production release of the system.

"The Titan field trials, while lengthy, are progressing pretty much as planned " said Birck. "We expect to begin shipping production-level systems to our customers by the end of the year."

Tellabs designs, manufactures, markets and services voice and data equipment.

The company's products are used internationally by telephone companies, interexchange carriers, governments and businesses.

TELLABS INC. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS
(Dollars in thousands, except per-share data)

	Three months		Nine months	
Period ended	9-28-90	9-29-89	9-28-90	9-29-89
Sales	$ 49,982	$ 39,860	$150,855	$125,502
Cost of goods sold	27,655	22,489	83,183	70,159
Gross profit	22,327	17,371	67,672	55,343
Operating expense				
Mktg. & G.A.	13,241	11,500	39,021	33,128
Research & devel.	8,447	5,818	22,792	16,451
Total oper. exp.	21,688	17,318	61,813	49,579
Operating profit	639	53	5,859	5,764
Interest/other-net	608	652	1,578	2,036
Profit before tax	1,247	705	7,437	7,800
Taxes	305	172	1,822	1,911
Net profit	$ 942	$ 533	$ 5,615	$ 5,889
Earnings per share (1)	$.07	$.04	$.44	$.47

(1) The per-share calculations are based on the average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the respective periods. At Sept. 28, 1990 and Sept. 29, 1989, these averages were 12,632,000 and 12,603,000 respectively.

TELLABS INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

Quarter ended	Year end 1989	Second 1990	Third 1990
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and investments	$ 42,358	36,095	38,255
Accounts receivable, less allowance	35,166	33,279	30,069
Inventories	26,055	29,255	30,164
Other current assets	2,323	3,759	3,917
Total current assets	$105,902	$102,388	$102,405
Property, plant and equipment	73,613	80,241	83,280
Less accumulated depreciation	(28,744)	(32,111)	(34,015)
Total	$ 44,869	$ 48,130	$ 49,265
Other assets	7,068	9,865	9,894
Total assets	$157,839	$160,383	$161,564
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Current maturities of long term debt	524	524	524
Accounts payable	10,635	9,620	8,270
Accrued liabilities	14,067	14,650	16,366

Income taxes	1,910	0	0
Total current liabilities	27,136	24,794	25,160
Long term debt, less current maturities	4,361	4,256	4,196
Deferred income taxes	6,151	6,305	6,078
Total liabilities	37,648	35,355	35,434
Shareholders' Equity			
Common stock, withot par value	63	63	63
Additional paid in capital	18,244	18,364	18,400
Cumulative translation adjustment	633	677	801
Retained earnings	101,251	105,924	106,866
Total shareholders' equity	120,191	125,028	126,130
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	$157,839	$160,383	$161,564

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DETROIT (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. vehicle production for this week is estimated at 207,259 cars and trucks, down 8.1 percent from last week's actual output of 225,434, Ward's Automotive Reports said. This week's scheduled production is also down 3.5 percent from the 1989 same-week build of 212,637.

The downturn in weekly production reflects several temporary plant closings that took effect this week, including one new shutdown each at General Motors Corp. and Chrysler Corp. and three new idlings at Ford Motor Co. facilities. All are due to a lack of dealer orders.

This week's planned U.S. car production is 131,154 units, bringing the 1990 year-to-date estimate through the end of this week to 5,053,049, 89.76 percent of like-1989's output of 5,629,401, Ward's reported.

U.S. truck output for this week is estimated at 76,105, down from the prior week's total of 82,284, Ward's said. Estimated year-to-date truck output through the end of this week is 3,170,794, 95.03 percent of year-ago's 3,336,761.

Of this week's estimated U.S. car output, General Motors Corp.'s share was 47.4 percent; Ford Motor Co., 15.4 percent; Chrysler Corp., 13.1 percent; Honda of America Mfg. Inc., 7.2 percent; Toyota Motor Mfg. USA Inc., 3.5 percent; New United Motor Mfg. Inc., 3.2 percent; Mazda Motor Mfg. (USA) Corp. 4.4 percent; Diamond-Star Motors Corp., 3.1 percent; Nissan Motor Mfg. Corp., 1.9 percent; and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc., 0.8 percent.

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WESTFIELD, NJ (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - E'town Corporation (NASDAQ: EWAT) today reported net income available for common stock of $2,119,033 or $.89 per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. In the comparable 1989 period net income was $1,310,775 or $.62 per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income available for common stock was $5,073,617 or $2.15 per share. In the comparable 1989 period, net income was $3,144,240 or $1.50 per share.

Net income available for common stock for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $7,092,144 or $3.08 per share. In the comparable 1989 period, net income was $4,439,929 or $2.12 per share.

Operating revenues for the three months, nine months and 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $20,224,131, $58,163,815 and $77,576,874, respectively, compared to $18,172,191, $51,824,242 and $68,928,801 for the same periods in 1989.

E'town Corporation is the parent company of Elizabethtown Water Company and E'town Properties, Inc. Elizabethtown Water Company and its subsidiary, The Mount Holly Water Company, provide water service to 54 municipalities in eight New Jersey counties.

E'TOWN CORPORATION

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$20,224,131	$18,172,191
Net income available for common stock	$ 2,119,033	$ 1,310,775
Earnings per share of common stock	$.89	$.62
Average number of shares outstanding for the calculation of earns. per share	2,372,191	2,109,772

Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$58,163,815	$51,824,242
Net income available for common stock	$ 5,073,617	$ 3,144,240
Earnings per share of common stock	$2.15	$1.50
Average number of shares outstanding for the calculation of earns. per share	2,358,420	2,101,646

12 months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$77,576,874	$68,928,801
Net income available for common stock	$ 7,092,144	$ 4,439,929
Earnings per share of common stock	$3.08	$2.12
Average number of shares outstanding		

for the calculation of earns. per share	2,305,992	2,094,559

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WILMINGTON, DEL. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Wilmington Trust Co. (NASDAQ: WILM) today reported that net income for the third quarter increased 12 percent to a record $17.4 million, or $1 a share, compared to $15.5 million, or $.87 a share, last year.

For the first nine months, net income was up 14 percent to a record $48 million, or $2.76 a share, vs. $42.1 million, or $2.37 a share, a year ago.

Both major components of the company's business contributed to the third quarter improvement. Net interest income grew 10 percent to a record $31.2 million, while revenues from noninterest sources increased 11 percent to a new quarterly high of $23 million.

Most of the improvement in net interest income was related to an 11 percent increase in the average level of loans outstanding, which totaled a record $2.5 billion. However, this gain was partially offset by a narrower net interest margin, which declined to 4.28 percent from 4.42 percent a year ago.

The three major operating components of noninterest income contributed to the gain: trust and investment management fees rose 13 percent to $16.3 million, service charges on deposit accounts increased 23 percent to $2.5 million and other operating income grew 5 percent to $3.5 million. Securities gains totaled $752,000 compared to $860,000 last year.

Operating expenses for the quarter increased 7 percent to $30 million over the same period a year ago. Employment costs, the largest component, grew 6 percent, while all other expenses rose 9 percent.

The company continued to strengthen its reserve for loan losses by providing $2.5 million from third quarter earnings vs. $2.25 million for the same period last year. Net charge-offs totaled $1.5 million, down from $2.2 million quarter-to-quarter. This brought the loan loss reserve to a record $37.9 million, or 1.52 percent of loans outstanding, as of Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $34.2 million, or 1.53 percent of loans, on the same date a year ago.

The Wilmington Trust board of directors declared the regular quarterly dividend of $.36 a share, payable Nov. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 1.

CONTACT: Charles W. King of Wilmington Trust, 302-651-8069

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The reserve was equal to 4.5 times total nonaccruing loans, which totaled $8.4 million, or 22 percent of the loan loss reserve, on Sept. 30. This compares with 4.4 times a total of $7.8 million, or 23 percent of the reserve, a year ago.

Return on assets on an annualized basis was 1.84 percent vs. 1.86 percent for the same period last year. Return on equity reached 24.27 percent, up from 23.39 percent last year.

On Sept. 30, 1990, assets totaled $3.7 billion, an increase of 12 percent over

the year before, total loans rose 12 percent to $2.5 billion and deposits were up 13 percent to $2.8 billion.

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WILMINGTON TRUST CO.
(In thousands, except per share)

Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Dlrs. Change	Pct. Change
Net income	$48,028	$42,072	$5,956	14.2
Net income per share	$2.76	$2.37	$.39	16.5
Average shares outstanding	17,433	17,733	--	--
Return on assets	1.84	1.86	--	--
Return on equity	24.27	23.39	--	--
Quarter ended Sept. 30				
Net income	17,383	15,544	1,839	11.8
Net income per share	1.00	.87	.13	14.9
Average shares outstanding	17,435	17,715	--	--
As of Sept. 30				
Total assets	$3,729,577	$3,322,423	$407,154	12.3
Total deposits	2,776,528	2,467,152	309,376	12.5
Total loans	2,499,923	2,239,500	260,423	11.6
Reserve for loan losses	37,946	34,242	3,704	10.8
Net loans	2,461,977	2,205,258	256,719	11.6
Investment securities	861,633	778,046	83,587	10.7
Short-term investments	81,269	47,344	33,925	71.7
Stockholders' equity	279,533	253,324	26,209	10.3

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SOMERS POINT, N.J. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Action Savings Bank SLA (NASDAQ: ANSL) announced today that in its ongoing efforts to reduce non-earning assets the bank held auctions on the Legacy Inn in Ocean City, N.J., and the Ocean 21 and Beach Haven Condominiums in Brigantine, N.J. on Saturday, Oct. 13, and Sunday, Oct. 14.

A spokesperson for the bank observed that although the Legacy Inn auction was unsuccessful, the Ocean 21 and Beach Haven were sold out entirely. In excess of 300 people attended the auction, which was held in Brigantine, and although 34 units were sold, the results indicate clearly the continuing severe softness in the real estate market in Southern New Jersey. However, the

auctions accomplished two objectives for the bank: the first being the elimination of ongoing monthly expenses to maintain the properties, and secondly, the return of invested dollars to the bank which will be converted to earning assets. It is believed efforts of this type are steps that are necessary in the current economic environment.

In a further announcement, the bank stated that it continued to suffer losses during the fourth quarter of its fiscal year which ended Sept. 30, 1990. An announcement of the amount of the losses for the fourth quarter and the fiscal year will not be made until the completion of the bank's annual financial statements by its certified public accountants. The bank's spokesperson commented, however, that these losses primarily result from the continuing adverse affect of non- performing assets on its net interest income, and the bolstering of loss reserves to reflect the persistent decline in the real estate market. To mitigate these factors, the bank is concentrating its efforts on achieving a significant reduction in operating costs and expediting the disposition of its problem assets. Through efficiencies, the bank said it intends to maintain the same level of service to its depositors and borrowers.

The bank said it did not meet the minimum regulatory capital ratios at Sept. 30, 1990. On Aug. 29, 1990, pursuant to Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) regulations, the bank filed a capital plan with the OTS designed to demonstrate the means by which the bank will achieve capital compliance. As a result of its not meeting minimum capital ratios, the bank is prohibited from paying dividends and its lending and investment activities are restricted.

Action Savings Bank SLA is headquartered in Somers Point and operates eight offices in Atlantic, Cape May and Ocean counties, N.J.

CONTACT: Frank J. Gleeson, executive vp and COO of Action Savings Bank, 609-927-8111

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BOISE (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Morrison Knudsen Corp. (MK) (NYSE: MRN) today reported 1990 third quarter net income of $8.2 million (70 cents per share) on revenue of $405 million. This compares with net income of $7.9 million (69 cents per share) on revenue of $589 million for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine-month period ending Sept. 30, Morrison Knudsen reported net income of $22.9 million on revenue of $1.2 billion. This compares with net income of $21.5 million on revenue of $1.6 billion for the corresponding period in 1989.

William J. Agee, chairman and chief executive officer of MK, said new contract awards during the quarter raised the backlog to $3.9 billion, a record level.

"Major contract awards in our engineering and construction segment have added to our expanding backlog of work," said Agee. "This backlog will serve as a strong earnings foundation for the next several years."

Highlighting new work bookings for the quarter were a $300-million contract for lignite mining in Texas; an estimated $160-million contract to construct a hydroelectric project in Georgia; a $140-million design-and-build contract for Boeing; and a contract for MK and a joint-venture partner to manage construction of an $800-million pharmaceutical research park in England for Glaxo Group Research Ltd.

Additionally, MK won a contract worth $91 million to manufacture 39 new commuter rail cars for Metro North Commuter Railroad in New York State.

During the quarter, the company purchased CF Systems Inc., an environmental firm with proven technologies in the reduction and remediation of hazardous wastes. Agee said this acquisition enhances MK's already substantial presence in the growing environmental-cleanup market.

Agee said, "While our Rail Systems Group lost money in the quarter, we improved the operations considerably from the second quarter. Significant improvements are expected in the quarters ahead."

CONTACT: Jess Hawley of Morrisn Knudsen Corp., 208-386-8000

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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Valero Energy Corporation (NYSE: VLO) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.07 per share on the company's common stock. The dividend is payable Dec. 11, 1990 to holders of record at the close of business Nov. 2, 1990.

The board also declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.86 per share for its depositary preferred shares, 1983 Series. Each depositary preferred share represents one-twentieth share of the company's $68.80 Series B Cumulative Preferred Stock. The dividend is payable Dec. 1, 1990 to holders of record at the close of business Nov. 9, 1990.

Valero Energy is involved primarily in specialized refining of high- sulfur atmospheric residual oil into premium products, such as unleaded gasoline, through its specialized refinery in Corpus Christi, Texas and in the marketing of those products. In addition, a wholly owned subsidiary of Valero is general partner of and has an approximate 49 percent interest in Valero Natural Gas Partners, L.P., which owns a 7,100-mile network of natural gas transmission and gathering lines throughout Texas, purchases and sells natural gas to markets throughout Texas and the U.S., provides third party gas transportation

services, owns 10 natural gas processing facilities and markets natural gas liquids.

CONTACT: Greg Wright of Valero Energy, 512-246-2444

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Springs Industries, Inc. (NYSE: SMI) have declared a fourth quarter dividend of 30 cents per share on Class A common stock, and 27 cents per share on Class B common stock, payable January 2, 1991 to shareholders of record December 17, 1990. The dividend is unchanged from that paid the previous quarter.

CONTACT: Robert E. Slough, Director-Public Relations, Springs Industries, Inc., 803-547-3738

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DANBURY, CT (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Saudi Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC) has chosen Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company, Inc.'s UNIPOL(TM) PP process for a planned grassroots polypropylene plant to be located at Al-Jubail in Saudi Arabia.

The new facility, the kingdom's first PP unit, will be owned and operated by Saudi European Petrochemical Co., a 70 percent SABIC-owned joint venture company. The new UNIPOL PP plant has a design capacity of 200,000 tons-per-year and will be capable of producing a full product range -- homopolymers and random and impact copolymers. Construction is scheduled to begin later this year with startup anticipated for early 1993.

Propylene feedstock for the UNIPOL PP plant will be supplied by Arabian Petrochemical Company, a wholly owned SABIC affiliate. Completion of the new plant will enable SABIC to produce for the first time all of the five major thermoplastics: high- and low-density polyethylenes, polystyrene, polyvinyl chloride and polypropylene.

According to SABIC, UNIPOL PP technology was selected because it offers low investment and operating costs, outstanding product versatility and quality, and excellent environmental and safety features. In addition, as a licensee with three major polyethylene plants in the kingdom employing six UNIPOL PE reactors, SABIC is very familiar with the features and advantages of UNIPOL technology.

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CALABASAS, CALIF. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Lockheed Corp. (NYSE: LK) today reported third-quarter earnings of $86 million, or $1.36 per share, on sales of $2.3 billion. Third-quarter earnings were up sharply from 1989, when the corporation incurred substantial charges related to certain fixed-price development contracts and recorded a third-quarter loss of $31 million, or 49 cents per share, on sales of $2.2 billion.

For the first nine months of 1990, net earnings were $236 million, or $3.73 per share, on sales of $7 billion, compared to $111 million, or $1.78 per share, on sales of $6.9 billion in 1989.

In the first three quarters of 1990, 75 percent of Lockheed sales was for U.S defense work, while 14 percent was for nondefense work for the U.S. government. Sales to foreign governments accounted for 3 percent of the total, and sales to commercial customers, 8 percent.

Funded sign-ups of new and follow-on orders during the first nine months of 1990 totaled $6.8 billion, compared with $6.9 billion during the same period in 1989.

Funded backlog was $7 billion on Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $7.1 billion at year-end 1989. Not included in the 1990 backlog were unfunded programs under contract with U.S. and foreign governments valued at $6.5 billion. At year-end 1989, unfunded backlog was $5.9 billion.

Lockheed's total debt fell to $1.7 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $1.9 billion at year-end 1989.

Shareholders' equity rose to $2.2 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, from $2.1 billion at year-end 1989.

Employment at the end of the third quarter of 1990 was 75,300, down 7,200 from year-end 1989.

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818-712-2477, of Lockheed Corp.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Courier Dispatch Group Inc. (NASDAQ: CDGI) announced today that John H. Harland Co. (NYSE: JH) has proposed to acquire the company through an all-cash merger at a price of $3.75 per share.

The company is currently reviewing this proposal and has retained The Robinson-Humphrey Co. Inc. to advise it. In light of the proposal, the

company has determined to temporarily postpone holding its annual meeting.

According to a recent filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission, John H. Harland Co. currently owns 603,750 shares of Courier Dispatch common stock. In addition, on Oct. 2, John H. Harland Co. entered into a stock purchase agreement with certain shareholders of the company, comprised primarily of the chairman of Courier Dispatch and his family, to acquire 675,986 additional shares of Courier Dispatch common stock for $4.00 per share (subject to upward adjustment under certain circumstances) in cash. Such acquisition would raise John H. Harland Co.'s ownership level to a total of 1,279,736 shares or approximately 51 percent of the presently outstanding stock of the company. Harland also reported that, in connection with the execution of such agreement the selling shareholders appointed Harland as their proxy with respect to such shares of common stock. On Oct. 16, the closing bid and ask prices for the company's common stock were $3.50 and $4.00, respectively.

John H. Harland Co., headquartered in Decatur, Ga., is a major national participant in the fields of finance and education whose principal products include M.I.C.R. encoded checks, deposit slips and related forms for financial institutions and their customers.

Courier Dispatch Group Inc. is a full-service courier organization providing both scheduled and on-call ground and air courier services for transporting time-sensitive documents for its customers. The company conducts air courier service to approximately 65 cities, while operating ground courier facilities in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Hampshire, North Carolina, North and South Dakota, and Rhode Island.

CONTACT: Paul R. Dean, president and chief executive officer of Courier Dispatch, 404-955-8646, or Janice J. Kuntz of Cameron Towey & Associates, 404-392-4239, for Courier Dispatch

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BLUE BELL, PA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Healthcare (NASDAQ: USHC), a recognized leader in the managed care industry, enters a new era today when it officially opens its Customer Service Center -- an innovative facility designed to provide quality service for years to come.

Located at 1425 Union Meeting Road in Blue Bell, the new building will house 1,000 employees and has the capacity to ultimately accommodate a staff of more than 2,000. Today's grand opening ceremony will be attended by dozens of corporate leaders as well as state and local officials.

Conceived and built to accommodate major corporate expansion as well as innovative methods of providing quality service, the center will enhance service by combining computerized technology and automated systems, innovative

design and forward-thinking employee training programs. As an operator of health maintenance organizations, U.S. Healthcare currently serves more than 1.1 million members in six Northeastern states.

"Quality and customer service is the name of the game in an industry like ours and the new Customer Service Center will no doubt help us better serve our members," said Marcy Abramson, vice president- operations, at U.S. Healthcare.

Highlights of today's ceremony include participation of tennis legend Arthur Ashe who will receive the first U.S. Healthcare Humanitarian Award for his outstanding philanthropic efforts. Ron Zemke, a well-known author, consultant and leader in the field of quality service and productivity improvement will officially dedicate the center.

In addition, state Rep. George E. Saurman will join with U.S. Healthcare officials in sealing a package of supplies to be sent to the U.S. troops in the Middle-East, and discuss corporate responsibility during turbulent times. And, to top off the day's events, attendees will be invited to tour the center and view the advanced customer service technology incorporated in the building.

In order to realize the dream of superior customer service in the new center, innovative technology and progressive management techniques were merged to create an atmosphere where quality service and efficiency are synonymous.

Founded in 1976, U.S. Healthcare is the largest independent health maintenance organization (HMO) in the country, serving 1.1 million members in Pennsylvania New Jersey, Delaware, Connecticut, Massachusetts and New York.

CONTACT: Steve Rosen or Judy Horwitz of Weightman Public Relations, 215-561-6100, or evenings, 215-248-3938, for U.S. Healthcare

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NEWTOWN SQUARE, PA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of ARCO Chemical Co. (NYSE: RCM) declared a quarterly dividend on the common stock of ARCO Chemical Co.

A dividend of $.625 per share was declared on common stock payable on Dec. 7, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 2.

CONTACT: Robert W. Clark, manager, investor relations of ARCO Chemical, 215-359-3382

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HOUSTON (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesa Royalty Trust (NYSE: MTR) announced the trust income distribution for the month of October, 1990. Unitholders of record on Oct. 31, 1990 will receive a distribution amounting to $342,437.61 or $.183752 per unit payable on Jan. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Terry Sciba of Texas Commerce Bank - Houston, 713-236-6369, for Mesa Royalty Trust

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CHICAGO (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Harris Bankcorp today announced net income of $28,264,000 for its third quarter compared with a net loss of $21,187,000 for the same period last year when the corporation recorded a special $50 million addition to its allowance for possible credit losses related to loans made to lesser developed countries (LDC's). Excluding the effect of this special provision from 1989 results, earnings would have increased approximately 68 percent on a quarter-to- quarter basis. B. Kenneth West, chairman and chief executive officer, attributed this increase primarily to higher levels of both noninterest income and net interest income compared to the 1989 third quarter.

Third quarter net interest income on a fully taxable equivalent basis was $103.5 million, up 6 percent from $97.2 million in 1989's third quarter. Average earning assets increased 6.5 percent from $9.89 billion a year ago to $10.53 billion, accounting for the growth in net interest income. Net interest margin declined slightly during the current quarter to 3.91 percent from 3.94 percent in the same quarter last year, reflecting some reduction in the level of noninterest-bearing funds.

Noninterest income advanced 18 percent over the same quarter last year to $68.0 million. Trust and investment management fees, service charges on deposits, charge card fees, foreign exchange income and profits from bond and financial instrument trading activities all increased from the prior year. During the year-ago quarter, the corporation realized a net gain of $604,000 from the elective sale of certain investment portfolio securities compared to virtually no net gains or losses for the 1990 third quarter.

Noninterest expenses rose only 1 percent in the quarter reflecting, in part, lower growth in employment-related expenses and a favorable adjustment of prior period real estate tax reserves. Income tax expense increased by $16.9 million during the current quarter primarily because of the impact of substantially higher pretax income.

The third quarter 1990 provision for credit losses of $13.6 million was down substantially from the prior year's provision of $64.4 million, which included the $50 million special addition. Net loan charge-offs during the current quarter were $9.4 million compared to $16.2 million one year ago.

On Sept. 30, 1990, the allowance for possible credit losses was $125.2 million equal to 1.72 percent of total loans outstanding, compared with $217.9 million or 3.20 percent of loans at the end of the 1989 third quarter. The reduction in both the gross reserve and the ratio of reserve to loans essentially resulted from 1990 LDC charges of approximately $104 million taken during the first and second quarters to recognize losses from outright portfolio sales, writedowns to market value for expected sales, and estimated adjustments for uncollectible outstandings.

Nonperforming assets on Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $159.5 million, or 2.2 percent of total loans, up from $152.2 million or 2.2 percent of loans one year earlier and $105.3 million or 1.5 percent, at June 30, 1990. Although the total of nonperforming assets has not changed significantly since Sept. 30, 1989, the mix of these assets reflects the reduction of nonaccrual loans to lesser developed countries and an increase in domestic commercial loans.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Western Company of North America (NYSE: WSN) today reported net income of $.7 million for the 1990 third quarter, or $.05 per share on revenues of $77.9 million; in the same 1989 quarter the company recorded a net loss of $4.9 million, or $.39 per share, on revenues of $64.8 million. Net income of $94,000, or $.01 per share, on revenues of $226.9 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 represents a significant improvement over the corresponding nine months of 1989. In the latter period, Western reported a net loss of $12.0 million or $.96 per share, on revenues of $163.0 million. As previously reported, the company recognized a $1.6 million extraordinary gain in the first half of 1990 from retirement of indebtedness.

The average domestic rig count was 1,022 in the 1990 third quarter, 57 above the second quarter and 136 rigs higher than the 1989 third quarter. For the first nine months of 1990 and 1989 the average rig count was 981 and 817, respectively. Beginning the fourth quarter the domestic rig count stood at 1,047; seven percent above last year at this time.

During the quarter a new full-service South Houston district and four Texas Gulf Coast service points were opened by the Western Petroleum Services division (WPS).

This expansion was undertaken to facilitate growth of the pressure pumping business in the offshore Texas market. Also, a WPS district office in Rock Springs, Wyo. was reactivated to provide pressure pumping services for the gas-driven expansion occurring in the Rocky Mountain region. The company's

wholly-owned subsidiary, Western Petroleum Services International Company, signed a contract for the construction in Singapore of a vessel to perform offshore well stimulation services in the North Sea. The total vessel contract price is $30 million. Well stimulation equipment for the vessel will cost approximately $13 million.

Further, the company purchased from Exxon Corporation its 50 percent interest in a partnership which owned the Alaskan Star semisubmersible rig for $12.5 million. Western now owns 100 percent of this rig.

List prices in the pressure pumping business were increased approximately three percent on Aug. 1. This increase, coupled with a continued reduction in discounts contributed to the year-to-year improvement in pressure pumping revenues.

On Sept. 27, 1990, a registration statement was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Western Oceanic, Inc., a newly formed company to which Western intends to transfer its offshore contract drilling business, for an initial public offering of its shares, including shares owned by Western. Upon completion of this offer Western would own approximately 66 percent of Western Oceanic, Inc. The timing and completion of this offer, which will only be made by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, is subject to market conditions for new equities, among other factors.

Western also announced that it has been notified that on or about October 10, 1990, the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States filed a Schedule 13-G with the SEC reporting that its subsidiary, Alliance Capital Management, L.P., beneficially owns 11.8 percent of Western's common stock.

The Western Company of North America is an oilfield service company providing pressure pumping services through Western Petroleum Services and Western Petroleum Services International Company and contract drilling services worldwide through Western Oceanic, Inc. Pressure pumping principally involves the acidizing, fracturing and cementing of oil and gas wells. Offshore contract drilling services are provided with a fleet of 13 mobile rigs. Western's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange (Symbol WSN).

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BEAVER, PA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael Baker Corp. (AMEX: BKR) today reported its 26th consecutive profitable quarter, with new record quarterly highs for total contract revenues, net income and backlog.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Baker recorded net earnings of $807,128, or 28 cents per share, on total contract revenues of $35,854,564. This compares with net earnings of $727,596, or 29 cents per share, on total contract revenues of $25,596,390 for the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share are calculated on the basis of 2,913,214 average shares outstanding, compared with 2,532,994 average shares outstanding for the corresponding quarter a year earlier.

For the first nine months of 1990, net earnings were $1,849,599, or 65 cents per share, on total contract revenues of $91,312,657. This compares with net earnings of $1,442,824, or 71 cents per share, on total contract revenues of $75,760,566 for the first nine months of 1989. For the 1990 nine month period net income climbed 28 percent on a 21 percent increase in total contract revenues. Average shares outstanding were 2,846,547 for the period, compared with 2,039,808 a year earlier.

Backlog of work to be performed, backed by signed and fully-funded contracts, reached a new all-time high of $130.2 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $88.1 million a year ago and $76.5 million on July 1, 1990. Total backlog, including as-yet unfunded contracts and the company's share of joint venture projects, climbed to $217.3 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $165.3 million at the same time one year ago.

MICHAEL BAKER CORP.
Summary of Operations

Third Quarter	1990	1989	1988
Total contract revenues	$35,854,564	$25,596,390	$22,300,108
Income from operations	1,361,295	1,244,685	992,965
Net income	807,128	727,596	452,019
Earnings per share	$0.28	$0.29	$0.25
Average shares outstanding	2,913,214	2,532,994	1,793,214
Nine Months			
Total contract revenues	$91,312,657	$75,760,566	$64,382,959
Income from operations	3,148,718	2,919,128	2,341,044
Net income	1,849,599	1,442,824	1,024,608
Earnings per share	$0.65	$0.71	$0.57
Average shares outstanding	2,846,547	2,039,808	1,793,214
Backlog			
Funded	$130,200,000	$88,100,000	$81,200,000
Total, including joint ventures	217,300,000	165,300,000	120,100,000

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NEW CUMBERLAND, Pa. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Ronald H. Smith, chairman of the

board, president, and chief executive officer of CCNB Corp. (NASDAQ: CCNC) announced today that CCNB has strengthened its allowance for loan losses as a precautionary measure.

Third quarter results will reflect a $2.76 million addition to its loan losses reserves.

This increase in the allowance for loan losses reflects the normal quarterly provision of $763,000 plus an additional provision of $1,900,000. The additional provision resulted from internal discussion and analysis and was not the result of any examination or comments by CCNB's regulators. CCNB decided it would be prudent to strengthen its allowance for loan losses as a precautionary measure in light of the weakening economy, specifically in commercial and residential real estate markets. After giving effect to the planned increases in its allowance for loan losses at Sept. 30, 1990, the ratio of the allowance for loan losses to net loans will increase to 1.15 percent and the ratio of allowance for loan losses to non-performing assets will be 87 percent.

CCNB does not anticipate that the reported increase in its loan loss reserves will have an adverse effect on its normal quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share.

CCNB expects to report net earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of approximately 41 cents per share, as compared to 65 cents per share for the same period in 1989, and net earnings for the nine month period ended Sept. 30 1990, of $1.61 per share, as compared to $1.77 for that same period in 1989. CCNB also estimates that its annualized return on assets for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, will be approximately 1.00 percent.

CCNB Corp. is the parent company of CCNB Bank, N.A., the Gettysburg National Bank, and Parent Federal Savings Bank, which collectively operate 41 offices in southcentral Pennsylvania.

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DALLAS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Baruch-Foster Corporation (AMEX: BFO) announced today that it has signed a letter of intent to sell 100 percent of its outstanding shares of common stock to Hadson Energy Resources Corporation headquartered in Oklahoma City, Okla. The terms of the offer provide for a cash payment to the company's stockholders of $6.70 per share, subject to certain adjustments. The transaction is conditioned upon successful completion of a definitive agreement and approval of the company's stockholders.

Hadson Energy Resources Corporation is an independent energy company engaged internationally in crude oil and natural gas exploration, development and production.

The company is engaged in oil and gas exploration and production principally in the states of Oklahoma, New Mexico, Texas and Louisiana.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Photo Control Corporation (NASDAQ: PHOC), 4800 Quebec Ave. N., Minneapolis, today reported earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

PHOTO CONTROL CORPORATION SUMMARY OF EARNINGS

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Sales	$3,667,721	$4,170,011	$10,032,058	$10,888,739
Profit before income tax	212,432	386,079	167,487	767,202
Net income	$116,432	$212,079	$91,487	$440,202
Earnings per share	$.08	$.15	$.06	$.31

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DETROIT (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. auto production is scheduled at 131,229 units this week, which is 8.55 percent below this week last year and 8.38 percent below last week's 143,225, Automotive News reports today.

Year-to-date U.S. auto production is 5,062,267, which is 10.24 percent below the 5,639,840 units produced at this time last year.

Domestic truck production is scheduled at 77,842 this week, which is 9.56 percent above this week last year but 7.35 percent below last week's production of 84,019 units.

Year-to-date truck production is 3,241,549, which is 4.20 percent below last year's pace of 3,383,808.

U.S. estimated car production for this week is shared as follows: General Motors, 47.37 percent; Ford Motor Co., 15.40 percent; Chrysler Motors, 13.11

percent; Honda of America Manufacturing Inc., 7.19 percent; Toyota Motor Manufacturing, 3.46 percent; New United Motor Manufacturing Inc., 3.20 percent; Mazda Motor Manufacturing (USA) Corp., 4.40 percent; Diamond-Star Motors, 3.14 percent; Nissan Motor Manufacturing Corp., U.S.A., 1.94 percent; and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc., 0.80 percent.

NORTH AMERICAN FACTORY PRODUCTION

	10/20/90 Est.	10/21/89 Actual	10/13/90 Actual	Y-T-D 1990	Y-T-D 1989
U.S.					
Car	131,229	143,495	143,225	5,062,267	5,639,840
Truck	77,842	71,050	84,019	3,241,549	3,383,808
Total	209,071	214,545	227,244	8,303,816	9,023,648
Canada					
Car	20,712	23,436	21,282	841,765	782,208
Truck	18,236	20,613	13,690	673,285	767,889
Total	38,948	44,049	34,972	1,515,050	1,550,097

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IRVINE, CALIF. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - C-TECH Electronics Inc., manufacturer of the ProWriter series of dot matrix printers, announced today it has joined The ASCII Group, a national chain that offers independent computer resellers more than 50 different financial and value-added benefits.

According to Alan Weinberger, founder, president and chief executive officer of The ASCII Group, the organization is the largest of its kind in the world with 440 members generating nearly $2 billion in revenues worldwide.

"We carefully align ourselves with key manufacturers who fill specific needs of our member resellers," he said. "C-TECH has some interesting new technology (flatbed straight-through paperpath printing that minimizes paper jams in dot matrix printers) to bring to our product mix that will be seen as valuable to our independent resellers."

C-Tech's full product line, including the new C-645 and C-610+ printers with the unique flatbed technology, will be distributed and serviced through Promark Distribution Inc. in New York.

"C-Tech printers, in addition to providing good margins for our customers, offer a unique package of features that other printer manufacturers don't have " said Joel Blank, sales manager for Promark.

"The flatbed technology, ideal for printing multiple part forms, labels and envelopes, together with C-TECH's other features including high-speed,

letter-quality printing, full buffer, color capability and exceptional pricing make the products a perfect solution for small businesses, value-added dealers and resellers, the exploding home office markets and networking environments. Laser printers can't do everything and they cost thousands of dollars more," he said.

According to Marc Liebesman, vice president, sales and marketing for C-TECH, the alliance with The ASCII Group will be promoted via a full marketing program including advertising in key trade publications, trade show support, direct mail campaigns and other promotional activity.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Royal Oak Resources' previously announced $16 million international equity issue led by ScotiaMcLeod is scheduled to close on or about Oct. 24, 1990. The proceeds of this issue, together with the debt financing arranged with Westpac Banking Corp. and Bank of New Zealand will be sufficient to complete the purchase of control of the Pamour group of companies.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Roto-Rooter, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROTO) today reported revenues of $18,734,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 13 percent increase over revenues of $16,564,000 reported in the comparable 1989 quarter. On a year-to-date basis, revenues for the first nine months of 1990 reached $55,394,000, a 13 percent increase over the $48,987,000 reported in the first nine months of 1989.

Net income of $1,466,000 for the third quarter of 1990 was marginally above net income of $1,464,000 earned in the comparable 1989 quarter. On a year-to-date basis, net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $4,198,000 as compared with $4,291,000 earned in the first nine months of 1989.

Earnings per share of 30 cents for the third quarter of 1990 were even with results for the third quarter of 1989. On a year-to-date basis, earnings per share for the first nine months of 1990 were 85 cents as compared with 87 cents reported for the first nine months of 1989.

Plumbing revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $4,651,000, a 20 percent increase over the prior year's third quarter revenues of $3,861,000. On a

year-to-date basis, plumbing revenues for the first nine months of 1990 reached $13,637,000, a 30 percent increase over the $10,525,000 reported in the comparable 1989 period. Revenues from sewer and drain cleaning and industrial/municipal services for the third quarter of 1990 increased by 9 percent and 13 percent, respectively, and, on a year-to-date basis, by 8 percent and 11 percent, respectively, over the comparable prior-year periods.

The company's pretax profit margin during the first nine months of 1990 was 1.9 percentage points lower than that achieved in the comparable prior-year period. The company's pretax profit margin of 12.7 percent for the third quarter of 1990 is, however, an improvement over its pretax profit margin of 12.0 percent for the first half of 1990. Further, the company expects additional improvement during the balance of this year.

Commenting on Roto-Rooter's results, William R. Griffin, president of Roto-Rooter, stated, "We are very pleased with the continued expansion of our plumbing repair business. In addition, we have continued to make good progress in several other areas. For example, we continue to invest in the development of our direct sales force in order to increase sales of our services to the commercial market, including industrial customers. To assist our direct sales force, we are continuing to develop special programs for ongoing emergency and preventive maintenance services to commercial customers.

"In our report for the first six months of the year, we stated that we were gradually beginning to divide some of our large, company-owned operations in major metropolitan areas into smaller, more efficient units in the belief that such a change would enable local management to concentrate their efforts within more manageable territories and to devote more of their time to areas that are vital to the growth of our business. One such change was effected on Jan. 1, 1990, and we are pleased to report that for the first nine months of this year, the results are quite favorable. As a result, various of our other large, company-owned operations will be similarly divided. These changes should better meet the needs of our customers and employees and are expected to result in faster rates of growth for sales and profits in our large, metropolitan markets."

Commenting further, Griffin stated: "Daily we read about the worsening state of the national economy. While very few businesses completely escape the effects of recession, we believe our Roto-Rooter businesses are recession-resistant. Importantly, Roto-Rooter's balance sheet remains strong with cash of $12,651,000, a current ratio of 2.9:1, and long-term debt as a percent of stockholders' equity of less than 2 percent. This solid financial base will allow Roto-Rooter to grow internally and to continue to make acquisitions of additional businesses. Our business is fundamentally strong and we are optimistic that Roto-Rooter will report higher earnings during the remainder of 1990."

Roto-Rooter, Inc., through its 64 company-owned operations and approximately

650 independent franchises, is the largest provider of sewer and drain cleaning services in the United States. The company, headquartered in Cincinnati, also offers plumbing repair services, industrial and municipal pipe cleaning services and consumer products.

Roto-Rooter, Inc. and Subsidiary Companies
Comparative Results (Unaudited)
(in thousands except amounts per share)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating Revenues	$18,734	$16,564	$55,394	$48,987
Net Income	$ 1,466	$ 1,464	$ 4,198	$ 4,291
Earnings Per Common Share	$ .30	$ .30	$ .85	$ .87
Average Number of Shares Outstanding	4,959	4,960	4,959	4,950

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Tennant (NASDAQ: TANT) CEO Roger L. Hale today reported a decline in profit from operations due to economic slowdown, and an increase in after-tax earnings due to several unusual events that occurred earlier this year.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, net earnings were $4.2 million or 85 cents per share versus $3.9 million or 78 cents per share last year. The earnings increase was due primarily to a $700,000 reduction in income tax expense resulting from the June 1990 merger of the company with its subsidiary Tennant Trend. Net sales of $52.9 million were up 6 percent from the $49.8 million reported for last year. Average shares outstanding declined to 4,920,400 from 5,001,400 last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net earnings were $12.3 million or $2.50 per share versus $9.6 million or $1.84 per share for last year. Included in 1990 net earnings is $3.1 million or 63 cents per share related to unusual and extraordinary events that occurred and were reported on in the first and second quarters. Net sales of $154.2 million were up 9 percent from last year's $141.6 million. Average shares outstanding declined to 4,921,500 from 5,202,200 last year.

Sales year-to-date were up 4 percent in North America with the gain coming from industrial and commercial equipment markets which offset a decline in floor coatings. Overseas sales increased 24 percent in dollars (18 percent in local currencies) with most of the improvement coming from exports to Japan.

The weaker U.S. dollar increased total sales by $2.3 million.

Profit from operations was down for the third quarter and year-to-date periods due mainly to a significant sales decline in the contracting part of the floor coatings business. While actions were taken earlier in the year to down size operations, the sales shortfall was greater than expected. Third quarter profit from operations was also affected by a sales slowdown in North American and European industrial equipment markets.

Other income declined by $554,000 from the same nine-month period last year due mainly to expenses related to the newly formed ESOP and the effects of company stock repurchases in 1989 and 1990.

Regarding the full year outlook, Hale commented, "Our incoming order rates continue ahead of last year but we are experiencing a slowdown. With the consensus economic view calling for a mild recession, we are studying belt-tightening actions.

Tennant is the world's leading manufacturer of floor maintenance equipment.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was released today by Boeing Aerospace & Electronics:

Enabling ground-based lasers to track and destroy incoming enemy ballistic missiles is the challenge facing Boeing scientists involved with a number of free-electron laser (FEL) projects.

A recent contract awarded to Boeing Defense & Space Group by the U.S. Air Force calls for developing a missile-defense concept that is adaptable to new free-electron laser technology currently evolving.

Boeing Aerospace & Electronics, a division of the Defense & Space Group, last month was awarded a 16-month, $2.5-million Ground-Based Laser Concept Formulation and Technology Development Planning contract by the Air Force's Space Systems Division in Los Angeles. The contract also contains three one-year options.

"Our mission is to further develop the concept that uses a ground-based laser for ballistic missile defense," said Mike Weisbach, Boeing laser technology manager and program manager for the effort. "This work will serve as the interface between the people who define the missions at SDIO (Strategic Defense Initiative Organization) and people doing the technology."

Lockheed Missiles and Space Corp. also was awarded a contract by the Air Force to undertake ground-based laser concept formulation studies. The Aerospace & Electronics Research & Engineering organization and its Aerospace Systems Technologies group was awarded the contract for two major reasons, Weisbach believes:

- Boeing is widely recognized as a worldwide expert in ground-based free-electron laser technology, which is based on converting the energy of electrons into laser light, and;
- The group's proposal highlighted the use of a new computer software application called RDD-100.

The innovative software program will enable engineers to bring a well-documented, traceable system engineering approach to the project, according to Weisbach. "The systems and software engineering group at Aerospace & Electronics is working hard at getting the software out into the workplace," he added.

Implementation of RDD-100 into the proposal effort was overseen by Dennis Vickery, database deployment manager in the Systems & Software Engineering organization.

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CHICAGO, ILL. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Santa Fe Pacific Corporation (NYSE: SFX) (SFP) today reported third quarter net income of $5.5 million or $.04 per share, down from $33.8 million or $.21 per share for the same quarter last year but an improvement from the net loss of $1.3 million or $.01 a share in the second quarter this year. Robert D. Krebs, chairman, president and chief executive officer, pointed out that the 1990 third quarter results include an extraordinary charge of $13.1 million attributable to an exchange of common stock for a portion of the company's 16 percent senior subordinated debentures. Net income before the extraordinary charge was $18.6 million, or $.12 per share. "Our rail and energy operations had excellent quarters, and our other businesses did as we expected," said Krebs.

Operating income of $127.7 million was $16.9 million or 12 percent below third quarter 1989 operating income of $144.6 million, but 77 percent better than the $72.3 million reported in the second quarter this year. The decline from 1989 consists principally of lower operating income from real estate activities, which was expected since the company has changed its real estate strategy to deemphasize sales of vacant land and emphasizes creation of value through long-term development and operation. Despite significantly increased fuel prices in August and September, Santa Fe Railway reported strong operating results, due to cost containment measures implemented over the past year.

Higher oil prices benefited the company's petroleum production and marketing operations.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company reported a net loss of $57.2 million or $.36 per share, compared with net income of $224.0 million or $1.40 per share for the comparable 1989 period. Net income for the 1990 period was significantly affected by the settlement of two lawsuits that resulted in a net after-tax charge of $115.0 million or $.73 per share. Included in 1989 net income is $210.0 million or $1.32 per share, representing the one-time effect of adopting new rules for accounting for income taxes as prescribed by the Financial Accounting Standards Board. The nine-month loss before extraordinary items and accounting changes was $44.1 million or $.28 per share compared with income of $14.0 million or $.08 per share in the prior year.

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ENGLEWOOD, COLO. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Equitex Inc. (NASDAQ: EQTX) said today that Williams Controls Inc., an Equitex investee company, made the following release earlier this morning:

"PORTLAND, Ore. -- Williams Controls Inc. (NASDAQ: WMCO) said today it is continuing to provide information to Chicago Capital Partners ("CCP") regarding its unsolicited buyout proposal previously announced. The company also stated that it has scheduled a meeting for the week of Oct. 22, 1990 to further discuss with CCP the information previously furnished and to consider any additional requests.

Williams Controls Inc. manufactures and sells a wide range of pneumatic, electronic and hydraulic controls for the truck, bus, mining, construction and refuse collection markets. Its product lines include approximately 250 different pneumatic products as well as specialized electronic and hydraulic products which are sold nationwide and in foreign countries."

Equitex is a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

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GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Knape & Vogt Manufacturing Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: KNAP) today announced that earnings for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 33.2 percent to $1,507,044 from $1,131,134 a year ago. Earnings per share rose 34.6 percent to 35 cents in the current first

quarter from 26 cents a share in the same period last year. The year-ago per-share figure has been restated to reflect the 10-percent stock dividend recently paid to shareholders.

Sales for the quarter declined 1.6 percent to $28,653,989 from $29,127,616 a year ago, the highest for any first quarter in the company's history.

Raymond E. Knape, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said, "The increase in net income is the direct result of our cost containment programs and reductions in debt and overhead expenses. These factors were anticipated to increase margins and the results confirm the benefits of the actions taken.

"We are pleased that Knape & Vogt was able to achieve higher earnings, even with the impact of a one-time charge of $213,000 related to the sale of our corporate airplane and the termination of our airplane department. The proceeds from this sale further reduce our debt expense level," Mr. Knape said.

Looking ahead to the balance of the year, Mr. Knape said "Our business plan is to strive to increase sales by opening new channels of distribution for our products, improve service levels to customers and, acquire and develop new products, while reducing costs and expenses. How well we work to achieve our goals will determine the levels of sales and profits for the year."

Knape & Vogt manufacturers wall-attached shelving and a wide variety of home furnishing items, and also derives about one-third of its sales from drawer slides for kitchen and utility cabinet manufacturers.

CONTACT: Robert Bowman of Knape & Vogt, 616-459-3311; or Jack Queeney, 312-266-7800, or Kathleen Phelan, 212-661-8030, both of The Financial Relations Board, for Knape & Vogt

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Concourse Corporation, an Eden Prairie, Minn.-based training company reported net income of $6,318 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of $123,253 from the net loss for the third quarter of 1989. Revenues of $289,991 for the period were up 57.2 percent from the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $51,796, up $83,383 from the net loss for the first nine months of 1989. Revenues of $870,929 for the period were up 7.4 percent from the first nine months of 1989.

The increase in revenues were the result of increased sales of the company's training products and increases in professional services and custom development revenues. The net income increase was the result of the higher revenues and lower product development expenses.

CONCOURSE CORPORATION

	Third Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenue	$289,991	$184,439	$870,929	$810,634
Percent change	57.2	--	7.4	--
Net	$6,318	$(116,935)	$51,796	$(31,587)
Net/share	$.00	$(.05)	$.02	$(.01)

CONTACT: Roland Barrett or Bill Hultgren of Concourse Corporation, (612) 935-9282.

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HOWELL, NJ (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Valley Corp. (AMEX: UVC), a major regional real estate development firm, has announced the formation of Union Valley Asset Management Group (AMG).

Union Valley AMG is expressly designed to serve banks, developers and institutional investors with their real property management needs. From sales brokerage and marketing to construction management and land planning, Union Valley AMG offers development expertise based on 27 years of homebuilding experience in New Jersey, Delaware and Pennsylvania. The company has delivered more than 12,000 homes and is currently developing 17 projects.

The Asset Management Group is a division of Union Valley Corporation, a public home building company listed on the American Stock Exchange. In the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, Union Valley Corp. reported revenues of $87 million on the sale of 578 units in the tri-state region.

Richard Anderson, executive vice president of Union Valley Corp., said the company organized AMG to serve the needs of banks and developers in troubled times. "During the current downturn in the real estate market, Union Valley's expertise and twenty-seven years of experience can help to solve various residential problems. The company has operated through several business cycles and we have the knowledge and skills to assist banks and other developers with their asset management needs."

Union Valley has an extensive background in leasing, brokerage, and marketing residential properties. The company said it has an excellent reputation in successfully negotiating governmental approvals with sensitive land use programs that add substantial economical value. Recently, Union Valley has executed several auctions of residential inventory providing cash flow to service debt and sustain operation.

Union Valley Corp. designs, builds and markets retirement and pre-retirement communities, non-age restricted housing, and commercial real estate in New

Jersey, Delaware and Pennsylvania.

CONTACT: Richard Anderson, executive vp, or Gene Kolber, 201-905-9000, both for Union Valley Corp.

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#90291p6717 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - GATX Corporation (NYSE: GMT) today announced that net income was $20.8 million, or $0.91 per common share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the comparable quarter of 1989, net income was $17.8 million, or $0.83 per common share.

GATX earned a record nine-month net income of $58.6 million in 1990 compared to $50.5 million in 1989. Earnings per common share were $2.52 for the first nine months of 1990 compared to $2.56 for the comparable 1989 period.

James J. Glasser, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer stated, "The continuing strength of our operations, as demonstrated in our third quarter earnings, reflects GATX's ability to perform strongly in the current business environment.

"Of particular significance are the strong utilization rates in our railcar leasing and management subsidiary; the on-going disposition gains which reflect the ability of our asset base to hold long-term value; the record level of throughput and improving utilization at GATX Terminals; and the continued high demand for the services of our Great Lakes fleet."

General American Transportation Corporation, GATX's railcar leasing and management subsidiary, reported record quarterly earnings of $14.8 million for the third quarter compared to $13.7 million for the third quarter of 1989.

Improved earnings reflect primarily an increased number of railcars on lease as well as pricing improvements. Fleet utilization at Sept. 30, 1990, was 94 percent compared to 95 percent a year ago.

GATX Capital Corporation, the company's financial services and capital equipment financing subsidiary, had earnings of $7.0 million for the 1990 third quarter compared to $6.3 million in 1989. The growth in earnings reflects an increase in lease income as a result of the expansion of the lease portfolio.

Participation income on the sale of real estate investments was $1.6 million in the quarter; activity in the quarter reduced the investment in real estate to $165 million. Pre-tax gains from equipment disposition were $5.4 million in the 1990 third quarter compared to $7.1 million in 1989, reflecting the continuing income provided by the disposition of equipment which includes aircraft and rolling stock.

GATX Terminals Corporation, the bulk liquid storage and pipeline subsidiary, reported earnings of $4.1 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared to $7.5 million in the third quarter of 1989. Last year's third quarter earnings included a $1.7 million gain from the disposition of GATX's interest in a joint venture.

Although GATX Terminals' operations continue to operate at record levels, earnings are being constrained by increasing maintenance expense, claim experience, financing costs related to acquisitions, and start-up of newly acquired facilities.

CONTACT: George S. Lowman of GATX, (312) 621-6599.

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#90291p6720 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTOWN SQUARE, PA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Arco Chemical Co. (NYSE: RCM) today reported third quarter 1990 earnings per share of $0.58 on $56 million of net income as compared to $0.98 per share on $94 million of net income in the same quarter last year.

Year-to-date earnings per share were $2.95 compared to $3.44 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Third quarter 1990 operating revenues were $681 million vs. $632 million in the third quarter 1989. Year-to-date operating revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and the same period in 1989 respectively, were $2,071 million and $2,057 million.

Harold A. Sorgenti, president and chief executive officer, said: "The third quarter 1990 results have been significantly affected by the July 5 fire and explosion, and subsequent shut-down at our Channelview, Texas plant. The MTBE and butanediol units have been restarted. The polyols unit is expected to be restarted in November and the propylene oxide/styrene monomer unit in December.

"Gross profit was $226 million in the third quarter 1990 compared to $196 million last year. The third quarter 1990 gross profit includes $50 million representing that portion of our business interruption insurance claim related to the Channelview incident accrued during the quarter.

"Margin gains in propylene oxide and derivatives and in methyl tertiary butyl ether were offset by lower styrene margins and lower domestic volumes in all major product lines as a result of the Channelview plant shutdown and subsequent product allocations."

Propylene oxide margins benefitted from lower propylene feedstock costs. Margins for methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) were boosted by higher gasoline prices, partially offset by increased feedstock costs.

Lower domestic propylene oxide, styrene and MTBE volumes relate to the Channelview plant being shut down for a majority of the quarter. Lower styrene margins in the third quarter 1990 reflect the impact of styrene purchases to partially meet the needs of customers during the Channelview shutdown.

Included in the third quarter 1990 earnings is a net before-tax charge of $28 million relating to the Channelview incident. This includes a $68 million charge related to the incident and the $50 million business interruption insurance accrual. Additional business interruption claims will be accrued as appropriate in future periods.

Interest expense of $10 million for third quarter 1990 represents an increase of $6 million from 1989 as a result of higher long-term debt outstanding this year. The company said it expects its 1990 effective tax rate to be 36.2 percent.

CONTACT: Gerald T. Davis (media), (215) 359-3198, or Robert W. Clark (investors), (215) 359-3382, both of Arco Chemical.

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#90291p6722 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Central and South West Corp. (NYSE: CSR) declared today a regular quarterly dividend of 69 cents per share on the corporation's common stock.

The dividend is payable November 30, 1990, to shareholders of record on November 8, 1990.

CONTACT: Wendy Hargus,of Central and South West Corp., (214) 754-1277.

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#90291p6723 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - MAPCO Inc. (NYSE: MDA) today reported net income of $24.8 million, or $.81 per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $22.4 million or $.58 per share, for the comparable 1989 quarter. Operating profit for the third quarter was $61.3 million in 1990, and $44.5 million in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $102.9 million, or $3.23 per share, compared to $86.2 million, or $2.20 per share, for the comparable 1989 period.

Average shares outstanding for the three months were 30.6 million in 1990 and 38.5 million in 1989. For the nine month periods, average shares outstanding were 31.9 million in 1990, and 39.1 million in 1989.

James E. Barnes, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of MAPCO, noted that adjustments to reserves associated with a re- evaluation of several liabilities including employee benefit plans, various on-going litigation matters and environmental clean-up costs, combined with several positive financial adjustments, had the net effect of reducing reported earnings by approximately $.20 per share. Barnes said, "Without these adjustments, reported earnings for the quarter would have been in excess of $1.00 per share."

In reviewing results for the quarter, Barnes said, "While each of our four businesses did well, the petroleum and gas products segments had particularly strong results."

MAPCO Petroleum had operating profit for the quarter of $33.1 million. Petroleum refining margins were strong early in the quarter but declined at the end of September. MAPCO's Memphis and North Pole refineries operated at near capacity during the quarter.

MAPCO gas products had operating profits for the quarter of $4.6 million. Natural gas liquids production averaged over 7,000 barrels per day for the quarter and netbacks reached a high of over $16 per barrel in September. Propane sales were well above normal for the period reflecting an acceleration of winter fill-ups by customers.

MAPCO Transportation had operating profit of $14.2 million for the quarter. Continued strength of NGL demand on the Texas Gulf Coast increased shipments from the Rocky Mountain area on MAPCO's Mid-America Pipeline System.

MAPCO Coal had operating profit of $9.4 million for the quarter. Coal sales for the quarter were 3.5 million tons. Production from the company's new "D" mine at the Mettiki complex in Maryland, utilizing a revised and enlarged long wall miner, is expected to begin by early November.

Commenting on prospects for the refining business, Barnes noted that the outlook remains good. "Although there may be some reduction in demand as a result of higher product prices, we may also see a reduction in the supply of gasoline due to new, more environmentally acceptable gasoline specifications," he said. Overall, the company believes that the future of the refining business is good.

Barnes observed that he was optimistic about MAPCO's business prospects for the remainder of the year. "Cash generation is strong, and we are paying down debt incurred in connection with the recent stock repurchase program faster than originally anticipated. Capital investments being made this year, and a 12,000 barrel per day expansion of the Memphis refinery in 1991, should have an ongoing positive impact on MAPCO's earnings," he said.

MAPCO is a diverse energy company whose business is conducted by four

operating subsidiaries: MAPCO Coal produces and markets bituminous steam and metallurgical coal; MAPCO Gas Products produces and markets natural gas liquids and fertilizers; MAPCO Petroleum operates refineries and retail marketing networks through the Mid-South and Alaska systems; and MAPCO Transportation operates natural gas liquids and ammonia pipelines, and fractionation and storage facilities.

CONTACT: Davi S. Leslie, 918-599-3655, or (home) 918-747-0500, or Terri A. Willson, 918-599-3608, or (home) 918-742-3535, both of MAPCO

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#90291p6726 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Genus Inc. (NASDAQ: GGNS) today introduced its new integrated system, the 6000, at ceremonies held at corporate headquarter in Mountain View, Calif. The system will be displayed at Semicon Japan, a semiconductor equipment tradeshow to be held in Tokyo next week. The 6000 system integrates blanket tungsten chemical vapor deposition (CVD) and etch processes for volume production of tungsten plugs. It sets a new standard for etch- back plugs in advanced semiconductors in high throughput environments. Genus guarantees the 6000 system to provide void-free tungsten plugs with a recess specification of less then 0.2 microns across the entire wafer.

Much interest has been shown in the 6000 by semiconductor manufacturers around the world. Seven systems have been shipped to major manufacturers in the United States and Japan in pre-announcement sales and six more are in backlog.

The 6000 system is totally automatic with wafers handled in vacuum from load to unload. The system features two independent load-locks, a six-wafer batch deposition chamber, up to two single-wafer etch chambers and a central handler. It provides throughputs of 28-32 wafers per hour.

"The 6000 system is the next step in tungsten CVD multiprocessing," said Kenneth L. Schroeder, Genus president and chief operating officer. "Two processes, as well as two pieces of equipment have been totally integrated in this product. It is now being acknowledged by our customers as the best solution to increasing volume production yields in submicron applications. This is evidenced by the orders we have won to date."

"Genus has been in the business of providing tungsten CVD equipment and processes to semiconductor manufacturers around the world for nearly a decade. No one in the industry can match our experience," stated William W. R. Elder. "That experience has served us well in the two- year development of the 6000. We have worked closely with our customers to ensure that the system meets their requirements for present and next generation semiconductor manufacturing."

Tungsten plugs provide vertical interconnection of the electrical circuitry in a device. At the present time sputtered aluminum is being used for this purpose in many manufacturing lines, but its poor step coverage characteristics will prohibit its use in devices with line widths below 0.8 micron. Tungsten is rapidly taking the place of aluminum as the material of choice for interconnects and plugs.

Genus is a leading supplier of tungsten CVD and high energy ion implantation systems for advanced semiconductor manufacturers around the world.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statement was issued today by Jack Moseley, chairman, president and chief executive officer of United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, in response to a report released Monday, Oct. 15, by Public Citizen, a consumer group:

First of all, it is important to recognize that Public Citizen is a Ralph Nader organization whose primary goal is to undermine the McCarran Ferguson Act and state regulation of insurance. By establishing doubt as to the effectiveness of state regulators to prevent insolvencies, Public Citizen hopes to create greater support for federal regulation of our industry.

In using Monday's fear tactics, Public Citizen hopes to unit insurance consumers behind it. They missed their mark. Through gross misrepresentation of data and inappropriate conclusions, the response has caused much confusion at a time when our economy can least afford it.

This report is a flagrant misuse of information. USF&G is a financially strong organization as evidenced by our high ratings with A.M. Best and other rating agencies. A.M. Best uses 86 tests to evaluate financial strength compared with six tests in the Public Citizen report.

Our opinion of the Public Citizen report is shared industry-wide. The Insurance Information Institute, the communications arm of the property/casualty industry, called it "inadequate, irresponsible and embarrassing to Public Citizen. No qualified actuaries or accountants were involved in developing the report. Public Citizen is inconsistent in raising insolvency alarms now, when they have spent the past few years castigating the industry for alleged bloated profits and excessive reserves."

Baltimore-based United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company is the principal subsidiary of USF&G Corporation (NYSE: FG). USF&G Corporation is composed of subsidiaries engaged in writing property/casualty and life insurance and in the sale of financial services.

CONTACT: Kerrie Burch-DeLuca of USF&G, 301-547-3573

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#90291p6734 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Freddie Mac (NYSE: FRE) today released information about the third quarter 1990 performance of its multifamily mortgage portfolio in light of several recent programmatic changes which the corporation initiated to stem continued multifamily losses. Additional details about the portfolio's performance will be provided at the end of this month as part of the corporation's regular third quarter 1990 earnings disclosure.

Multifamily mortgage purchases represent 2.2 percent of Freddie Mac's total 1990 mortgage purchases and make up 3.4 percent of the corporation's total $322 billion single- and multifamily mortgage portfolios as of Sept. 30, 1990. Losses to be charged to reserves on both portfolios for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, total $124 million. Of that amount, $81 million is due to losses on Freddie Mac's multifamily mortgage portfolio and $43 million to the single-family portfolio. For the six months ended June 30, 1990, multifamily losses were $42 million and single-family losses were $63 million. Most of the increase in multifamily losses is the result of a recently completed property-by-property re-evaluation of the multifamily real estate-owned (REO) portfolio in order to reflect declining market conditions.

Of Freddie Mac's total $11 billion multifamily portfolio as of Aug. 31, 1990, approximately $400 million was at least 60 days delinquent or in foreclosure. In addition, some mortgages which are currently performing will become delinquent over time. If the entire $400 million of presently non-performing loans were to become REO over the next several quarters -- a scenario which the corporation does not anticipate -- applying Freddie Mac's loss experience in the Southwest of 60 percent loss per multifamily property would result in total additional losses of $240 million over the next several quarters. As of the end of the third quarter of 1990, $35 million of this $240 million had been charged against reserves. Of the remaining $205 million, Freddie Mac believes that a significant portion will be recognized in the fourth quarter of 1990 as a result of accelerated foreclosure policies.

Brendsel said existing loan loss reserves, which were $552 million as of June 30, 1990, are more than adequate to absorb third quarter chargeoffs, and third quarter earnings will not be affected. "The corporation continuously evaluates the adequacy of its loan loss reserves, and it is possible that this normal review process will result in a special loan loss provision and/or an increase in the normal rate of loan loss provision in the fourth quarter if market conditions warrant," he said.

The largest concentration of the corporation's multifamily exposure, Brendsel

explained, is in New York City and Atlanta -- two metropolitan areas which have experienced significantly deteriorating housing market conditions. New York represents 20.9 percent and Atlanta 6.2 percent of Freddie Mac's multifamily mortgage portfolio. Credit statistics for these two areas as of Aug. 31, 1990, are as follows:

CONTACT: Audra Capas, 703-759-8505; Nancy Condon, 703-759-8506; or Janice Conway, 703-759-8524, all of Freddie Mac

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#90291p6736 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI LAKES, FL. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Loan America Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: LAFCB) has reported net earnings of $165,988 ($.07 per share) on total revenues of $5,563,740 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net earnings of $159,426 ($.07 per share) on total revenues of $4,634,291 for the comparable quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Loan America reported net earnings of $489,309 ($.21 per share) on total revenues of $16,110,329, compared to net earnings of $940,825 ($.43 per share) on total revenues of $15,914,117 for the comparable period a year ago.

Total loan production for the third quarter of 1990 rose to $413 million, compared to $254 million for the same quarter last year. For the nine months, total loan production rose to $868 million, compared to $725 million a year ago.

In announcing the results, John S. Kuczwanski, president of Loan America, stated, "We have had three consecutive quarters of higher mortgage volume. At this time, we anticipate that our mortgage volume will remain strong during the fourth quarter and into next year."

Loan America is a publicly owned company traded on the NASDAQ national market system under the symbol LAFCB.

CONTACT: John S. Kuczwanski, president of Loan America Financial Corporation, 305-557-9282; or John K. Schulte of Schulte, Ross & Aguilar, Inc., 305-371-6702, for Loan America Financial Corporation

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#90291p6738 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Carlton E. Turner, president and chief executive officer of Princeton Diagnostic Laboratories of America, Inc. (AMEX: PDA) announced today that the company earnings for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 increased $112,000 compared to a loss for the same period in 1989, with an increase in sales of 25 percent in this period

compared to the same period last year. Earnings for the third quarter were $15,000 on revenues of $2.1 million compared to a loss of $97,000 on revenues of $1.7 million for the comparable period last year. Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $172,000 on sales of $6.2 million compared with a loss of $12,000 on sales of $5.3 million for the comparable period last year.

Net income per share for the third quarter of 1990 was nil compared with a loss of $(.03) per share for the same three month period in 1989. Net income per share for the nine months ended September 1990 was $.06 as compared to nil for the same nine months last year.

Revenues generated by the newly formed PDLA subsidiary, NCDFW, totalled $176,000 for the third quarter 1990, and $463,000 for the nine months ended September 1990.

Carlton Turner said "The company's cash position still continues to be strong at $1.9 million with an acid quick ratio of 3.69 and a debt to equity ratio of .31."

CONTACT: Pat Pikus or Frank Thiry of Princeton Diagnostic Laboratories, 201-769-8500

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#90291p6741 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of ONEOK Inc. (NYSE: OKE) today declared a quarterly dividend of 19 cents per share on common stock payable Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 31.

The board also declared a quarterly dividend of 59.375 cents per share for preferred stock, series A, also payable Nov. 15 to shareholders of record Oct. 31.

Both dividends are unchanged from the previous quarter. In other action, the board selected Tulsa as the site of the company's annual meeting of shareholders. The meeting will be held at ONEOK Plaza, 100 West Fifth Street on Jan. 17, 1991, at 10 a.m. The board fixed the close of business Nov. 19 for a determination of shareholders entitled to vote at the annual meeting.

CONTACT: Weldon Watson, Walt Radmilovich, or Perry Wimpey, all of ONEOK Inc. 918-588-7000

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#90291p6743 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Giant Food Inc.

(AMEX: GFS.A) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on all classes of common stock payable to shareholders of record on Nov. 2, 1990.

This dividend will be paid Dec. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: David B. Sykes of Giant Food, 301-341-8480

-30- 488

#90291p6744 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Legg Mason, Inc. (NYSE: LM) announced today operating results for its second fiscal quarter and the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the quarter, revenues were $61,929,000 compared to $62,001,000 in the corresponding quarter of 1989. Net earnings rose 1 percent to $3,475,000 from $3,429,000. Earnings per share rose to $.41 from $.40.

For the six months, net earnings were $6,655,000 compared to $6,483,000 in the corresponding period of the prior year. Revenues rose 1 percent to $122,067,000 from $121,404,000. Earnings per common share rose to $.78 from $.75.

Net earnings for the quarter and six months include $1.8 million ($.21 per share) attributable to gains on the company's previously reported sale of 240,616 shares of Environmental Elements Corporation common stock, offset in part by an increase in various litigation reserves and charges for sublease differentials on excess space in one of the company's subsidiaries. These charges reduced after-tax earnings by $700,000 ($.08 per share). The company retains 445,384 shares of Environmental Elements common stock, which are carried on its balance sheet at cost (cost: $67,500; market as of Oct. 17, 1990: $5,846,000).

Legg Mason, Inc., headquartered in Baltimore, is a holding company which provides securities brokerage, investment advisory and other financial services through its wholly owned subsidiaries.

CONTACT: John F. Curley Jr. or F. Barry Bilson of Legg Mason, 301-539-3400

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#90291p6748 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - American Airlines said today that it will inaugurate daily nonstop service between its Miami hub and Madrid on May 1, 1991.

The route, which will be operated with 177-seat Boeing 767-200ER aircraft,

will be American's second to Spain and the airline's second European service from its Miami hub. American has operated a Dallas/Fort Worth-Madrid service since May 1988 and began Miami-London service last July.

American is building its Miami hub into a major Latin American gateway providing easy connections for passengers and cargo shipments moving between Madrid and a number of major points in the western Caribbean and Central and South America.

These will include such destinations as Rio de Janeiro, Buenos Aires, Lima, La Paz, Bogata, Panama City, Caracas, Santo Domingo, Puerto Plata, and Port au Prince.

"This is another important step in the continuing development of the Miami hub " said Peter J. Dolara, the airline's senior vice president for Florida, the Caribbean and Latin America. "As we add domestic destinations to the hub and expand the range of services to Central and South America, we also want to build our services to Europe."

American announced on Oct. 4 that it will begin new service this fall between Miami and Managua, Nicaragua; St. Thomas and St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Islip, N.Y., near New York City.

The Madrid flight will leave Miami at 7:10 p.m. each day and arrive in Spain at 10:22 a.m. (local time) the next day. The westbound flight will leave Madrid at 12:40 p.m. and arrive in Miami at 4:02 p.m.

The 767-200ER is arranged in three passenger cabins that offer 14 sleeper seats in first class, 30 seats in business class, and 133 seats in economy class.

American's Miami-Madrid air fares will include a one-way first class fare of $2,264, a one-way business class fare of $1,376, a one-way economy fare of $893, and a roundtrip excursion fare (with certain restrictions) of $768.

CONTACT: Al Becker of American Airlines, 817-967-1577

-30- 2256

#90291p6752 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROSEMEAD, CA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern California Edison's board of directors today declared the regular quarterly dividend of $2.24 per share on the 8.96 percent series of $100 cumulative preferred stock.

The board also declared dividends on four series of cumulative preferred stock: 0.255 cents on the 4.08 percent series, 0.265 cents on the 4.24 percent series, 0.29875 cents on the 4.78 percent series and 0.3625 cents on the 5.80 percent series.

Each of the dividends is payable November 30, 1990 to shareholders of record on November 5, 1990.

CONTACT: Melanie Savage of Southern California Edison, (818) 302-2255.

-30- 812

#90291p6756 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors (NYSE: GM) announced today it is voluntarily recalling approximately 64,000 model year 1990 cars due to a potential safety defect with the shift selector operation.

Affected owners are being notified directly by mail. GM dealers will perform all necessary inspections and repairs at no charge to owners.

Vehicles included in the safety recall are certain 1990 Buick Riviera and Reatta, Oldsmobile Toronado and Trofeo, and Cadillac Eldorado and Seville models with floor console shift selectors. Vehicles with shift selectors on the steering wheel column are not affected by this campaign.

The shift control cable on the subject vehicles may disconnect from the console shift selector. If this happens, the transmission would remain in the gear position last selected, and the driver would experience a loss of gear indicator reference and shift selector operation. Depending on if and when the cable disconnection occurs, normal starting, driving and/or parking operations could be impaired.

GM is unaware of any accidents or injuries resulting from the above condition.

GM dealers will install a retaining clip on the shift control cable to ensure its connection to the console shift selector.

Customers with questions on the above condition should contact their GM dealer or call their respective divisional customer assistance center at the following toll-free numbers: Buick (1-800-521-7300), Oldsmobile (1-800-442-OLDS) or Cadillac (1-800-458-8006).

CONTACT: Thomas J. Pyden of General Motors, 313-556-2099.

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#90291p6759 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Aril Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: ARIL) announced that it has offered to acquire Alpha Microsystems (NASDAQ: ALMI) for approximately $10 million plus approximately 10,500,000 shares of Aril common stock (2,100,000 shares after Aril'S pending 1:5 reverse stock split). If the offer were accepted and the transaction completed, each outstanding share

of Alpha Microsystems would be converted to $3.25 plus 3-3/4 shares of Aril common stock (3/4 share after the 1:5 reverse split). Alfred Shoenberg, president of Aril, said that the offer is conditioned on, among other things, negotiation of a formal merger agreement. On Oct. 16, 1990 Aril was reported to have traded in the NASDAQ system at $1/16 per share ($5/16 after the reverse split) and Alpha Microsystems at $1-3/8. Aril, Shoenberg said, is not currently contemplating a tender offer for Alpha Micro because given the substantial premium being offered for a negotiated transaction, more than 235 percent of Alpha Microsystems' current market value in cash alone, he would anticipate a favorable response from Alpha Microsystems' board. Shoenberg also said that Aril has retained Ventana International, Ltd. as its financial advisor and to assist Aril in obtaining financing for the proposed transaction. In addition, Shoenberg said Aril, Ventana and Alpha Microsystems had begun an exchange of confidential information and strategic plans pursuant to signed confidentiality agreements.

Aril has requested a response from Alpha Microsystems by Oct. 18, 1990. If no response, or a negative response, is received by that date, Aril and Ventana will consider alternative courses of action, Shoenberg said.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal Corp.'s (NYSE: UCL) SCRAP project to rid the Los Angeles basin of the worst polluting automobiles removed 10.7 million pounds of pollution from the air - 53 percent more per car than expected.

In a press conference today to review the results of the five-month program, Richard J. Stegemeier, Unocal chairman, president and chief executive officer, said the company scrapped 8,376 pre-1971 cars.

"Based on extensive testing, SCRAP vehicles emitted as much as 60 times more pollution per mile than 1990 model cars," he said. "Prior to the program, environmental experts believed the worst polluting vehicles in Los Angeles were 15 to 30 times more polluting than new cars."

Stegemeier said the vehicles scrapped under the program were driven an average of 5,500 miles per year and emitted 10.7 million pounds of hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxides annually. By comparison, a similar-size fleet of 1990 model cars would be expected to travel an average of 15,000 miles per year and emit only 700,000 pounds of pollutants annually.

"The South Coast Recycled Auto Project (SCRAP) demonstrated the immediate and cost-effective impact we can make on air pollution by removing pre-1971 vehicles from the roads," Stegemeier said. "It is certain; it is measurable;

and it is happening now, not in 1996, or 2000, or 2007.

"SCRAP is an outstanding example of industry-government cooperation. We had the enthusiastic cooperation of every agency we approached, and the result has been tremendous efficiency, cooperative analysis, the promise of a greater data base than has existed before and the outlook for improved regulations and regulatory policy based on better information than was previously available."

Air quality officials strongly supported Unocal's innovative SCRAP project from the beginning. Norton Younglove, chairman of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD), said, "Unocal's contribution not only meets the challenge, but also illustrates the commitment and leadership we all must exert to make clean air a reality in Southern California.

Unocal's SCRAP project set out to remove 7,000 pre-1971 vehicles from Los Angeles basin roads by purchasing them from owners for $700 each. The project was expected to rid the air of 5.9 million pounds of pollutants.

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ATLANTIC CITY, NJ (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Trump Taj Mahal Funding, Inc. and Trump Taj Mahal Associates Limited Partnership announced today that they have filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to certain proposed amendments to their $675 million aggregate principal amount of publicly traded 14 percent bonds due 1998.

The primary purpose of the amendments, which are subject to various conditions including approval of the New Jersey Casino Control Commission, is to enable the Taj Mahal to reduce its annual debt service requirements.

The amendments would, among other things, permit the Nov. 15, 1990 interest payment on the bonds to be made in additional bonds, reduce the rate of interest on the bonds to 9 percent, permit the partial payment of future interest in additional bonds, and extend the maturity of the bonds to Sept. 15 2000.

In connection with the amendments, holders of bonds would also receive 100 percent of the common stock of a newly formed company that will hold a partnership interest representing 19.9 percent of the equity of Trump Taj Mahal Associates Limited Partnership, the owner of the Trump Taj Mahal Casino Resort.

As previously reported, the Steering Committee representing certain holders of the bonds has not endorsed the amendments, although the company is continuing

to work with the Steering Committee to restructure its debt.

CONTACT: (Press) Stephen F. Bollenbach, chief financial officer of The Trump Organization, 212-832-2000; or (Other inquiries) William Jacobs, vice president of the First Boston Corporation, 212-909-3290.

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#90291p6763 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNT CLEMENS, MICH. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - First National Bank Corp. (NASDAQ: MTCL) today reported earnings climbed 10 percent in the third quarter 1990, to $756,000 from $688,000 for the same period in 1989.

Primary earnings per share for the quarter rose to $0.63 as compared to $0.57 a year earlier. Fully diluted earnings per share for the quarter were $0.56 as compared to $0.53 a year earlier.

Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, rose 8 percent to $2,221,000 from $2,054,000. Primary earnings per share increased to $1.84 compared to $1.70 for the first nine months of 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share totaled $1.65 as compared to $1.66 for the first nine months of 1989 reflecting the corporation's 9.5-percent convertible subordinated debentures issued in July 1989.

Corporate assets reached an all-time high, totaling $416,314,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, up 15 percent from Sept. 30, 1989.

Net interest income, after the provision for loan and lease losses, rose 12 percent to $10.7 million in the first nine months of 1990, largely as a result of the increase in the volume of loans and leases.

In addition, to keep pace with the continued loan growth and the potential for increases in loan loss due to the current economy, the corporation increased the provision for loan and lease losses to $750,000 from $405,000 in the year-earlier period.

Non-interest income rose 23 percent in the first nine months of 1990 to $2.1 million. A 32-percent increase in service charge income from deposit accounts to $1.4 million, was primarily responsible for this increase. It was offset by a 14-percent increase in non-interest expense, to $10.2 million. These increases were largely the result of the corporation's continued growth.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the corporation's loan portfolio totaled $271 million, up 15 percent from $235 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Total deposits increased 15 percent, to $372 million at Sept. 30, 1990, from $323 million a year earlier. Stockholders' equity rose 8 percent, to $26 million from $24 million. During the third quarter, the corporation also purchased 10,000 shares of its common stock under its stock repurchase plan.

First National Bank Corp. is the parent of First National Bank in Macomb County and Bankers Fund Life Insurance Co. All are headquartered in Mount Clemens. The corporation has 1,208,786 shares of common stock issued and 1,198,786 shares outstanding.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK CORP.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(In thousands, except per-share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net income	$756	$688	$2,221	$2,054
Average total assets	$414,219	$360,682	$393,337	$354,217
Average loans and leases	$268,751	$234,662	$260,722	$224,359
Average deposits	$371,050	$323,152	$351,495	$317,765
Average common stockholders' equity	$25,958	$24,080	$25,502	$23,631
Primary earnings per share	$0.63	$0.57	$1.84	$1.70
Fully diluted earnings per share	$0.56	$0.53	$1.65	$1.66
Dividends per share	$0.20	$0.19	$0.59	$0.56
Book value per share	---	---	$21.71	$19.97
Primary average shares	1,205,416	1,208,786	1,207,650	1,208,786
Fully diluted average shares	1,527,394	1,422,744	1,529,628	1,280,768
Return on average common equity	11.65 pct.	11.42 pct.	11.61 pct.	11.59 pct.
Return on average assets	0.73 pct.	0.76 pct.	0.75 pct.	0.77 pct.
Tier I capital to risk-based assets at period end	---	---	8.74 pct.	9.20 pct.
Total capital to risk-based assets at period end	---	---	13.13 pct.	14.10 pct.
Non-performing loans as a percent of loans and leases	---	---	1.75 pct.	0.62 pct.

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BRYN MAWR, PA. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Bryn Mawr Bank Corp. (NASDAQ: BMTC) today reported a net income of $16,000 for the third quarter of 1990, down from $1,001,000 reported for the third quarter of 1989.

Third quarter earnings per share were 1 cent compared to 92 cents in 1989.

For the first nine months, net income decreased 50 percent, from $3,161,000 in 1989 to $1,583,000 in 1990. Primary earnings per share for the nine-month period were $1.46 in 1990 vs. $2.91 in 1989.

A major factor responsible for the decreased third quarter earnings was a one-time cost of $405,000 for severance and outplacement expenses associated with the previously announced 9 percent staffing cutback in August at The Bryn Mawr Trust Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of the corporation.

The bank's total loan portfolio increased by 3 percent to $222.8 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, up from $216 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Offsetting this, non-performing loans -- those loans on which interest and/or principal payments have not been made for 90 days or more -- grew from $3.6 million at Sept. 30, 1989, to $11.4 million in 1990. The increase was primarily in real estate-related loans, including $2.2 million in other real estate owned. This increase in non-performing assets, which do not accrue interest income, along with declining interest rates are primarily responsible for a decrease in interest and fees on loans during the third quarter of 1990 to $6.2 million from $6.7 million in 1989.

In order to maintain adequate reserves for an expanded non- performing loan portfolio, third quarter net income was further reduced by an increase in the provision for loan losses from $310,000 for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1989, to $525,000 for the third quarter of 1990.

Although total deposits increased only 1 percent to $251.7 million at Sept. 30 1990, from $248.7 million in 1989, interest expense on deposits has increased 4 percent from $2.8 million to $2.9 million in 1990 because of a shift in the bank's deposit base. Demand deposits decreased from $66.8 million in 1989, to $59.8 million in 1990, while interest-bearing deposits grew from $181.9 million to $191.9 million.

For the third quarter, non-interest income grew from $1.2 million in 1989 to $1.3 million in 1990. Fees for trust services were up 14 percent. Other operating income showed a 22 percent increase.

Total other expenses -- all expenses except for interest expense, loan loss provision and income taxes -- increased 21 percent, including the non-recurring cost of $405,000 necessary to accomplish the 9 percent staffing cutback in August. One of the major reasons for this growth in expenses is related to the increased non-performing loan portfolio, such as increased legal fees and related appraisal fees. The cost of maintaining the bank's

FDIC insurance has also increased by 46 percent for the quarter, from $50,000 in 1989 to $73,000 in 1990 and 49 percent for the nine-month period, from $148,000 in 1989 to $220,000 in 1990.

According to Robert L. Stevens, corporation president, "The bank's regular salary costs were down 7 percent in September compared to the month of July, the month prior to the August staffing reduction.

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#90291p6768 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Drilling Co.(NYSE: PKD) announced today net income for its fiscal year 1990 (ended Aug. 31) of $7,032,000 which includes a gain on disposal of selected gas transportation and treating assets of $16,645,000. This compares to a net loss for the prior year of $42,104,000. Revenue of $108,541,000 increased from 1989 revenue of $103,676,000.

Per share results reflect an income of 14 cents compared to per share loss of 98 cents reported for the prior year. The company's fiscal 1990 year-end total asset position of $265,384,000 shows an increase from $236,151,000 at fiscal 1989 year end.

For the fourth quarter, the company earned $6.56 million (13 cents per share) on revenues of $27.93 million as compared to losses of $18.33 million (42 cents per share) on revenues of $27.25 million for the same quarter last year.

"We are extremely pleased to release these year-end figures which reflect our best balance sheet in several years," said Robert L. Parker, Jr., president and chief operating officer. "With our large cash position, little debt and excellent outlook for improved markets, fiscal 1991 should be a very good year for Parker Drilling," he added.

In a letter released to shareholders, the company said that increased trading volume in shares over the past several weeks is largely attributable to a single institutional shareholder who has been divesting shares.

Parker indicated that from Securities and Exchange Commission filings, the company has learned that the institutional holder has sold six million shares over the last three months and as of October 5th, still owned 500,000 shares.

"There are no development within the company to precipitate such action," Parker reiterated. "In fact, we are more enthusiastic about Parker Drilling's financial outlook than we have been for a long time," he said.

"With happenings in the Persian Gulf and an anticipated increase in drilling

activity, we believe that our stock will return to a market value which is more representative of current energy prices," said Parker. Parker Drilling is a world wide oil and gas contract drilling company with operations in 14 countries.

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#90291p6772 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - CyberOptics Corporation (NASDAQ: CYBE) reported third quarter net income of $40,000 ($.02 per share) on total revenues of $1,032,000. These results compared to net income of $96,000 ($.04 per share) on revenues of $1,013,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, CyberOptics' revenues increased 10 percent to $3.2 million, compared to $2.9 million in 1989. Net income for the period was $191,000 ($.08 per share), compared to $321,000 ($.13 per share) last year.

"CyberOptics' real progress is not fully reflected in the third quarter financial statements," said CyberOptics President Steven K. Case. "In the quarter, we booked over $1.5 million of new business, our best quarter ever. In addition, the fourth quarter is off to an excellent start with an additional $650,000 of new orders since Oct. 1. This increase in bookings is a direct result of the investments we have been making to focus and strengthen our sales, marketing and development efforts."

CyberOptics has now received two orders totaling over $540,000 for its next generation process control system, the Model 2001. Two divisions of a major computer manufacturer will use these fully automated systems in producing surface mount electronic circuit boards. CyberOptics will deliver the first Model 2001 in the fourth quarter of 1990 and the second system in the second quarter of 1991.

CyberOptics is a technological leader in the design and manufacture of laser systems for non-contact measurement and process control.

CYBEROPTICS CORPORATION CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Total operating revenue	$1,032,100	$1,013,200
Percentage change	2	--
Net income	$40,200	$96,100
Percentage change	(58)	--
Earnings per share	$.02	$.04

	Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Total operating revenue	$3,217,200	$2,914,000
Percentage change	10	--
Net income	$191,300	$321,400
Percentage change	(41)	--
Earnings per share	$.08	$.13

Backlog as of Sept. 30, 1990 -- $765,000.

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#90291p6778 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, IDAHO (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The cost of living in the Boise area rose 0.5 percent in September, the fourth consecutive month of higher overall costs, according to First Security Bank's monthly Boise area Cost of Living Report.

First Security chief economist Dr. Kelly K. Matthews said the Boise area cost-of-living hike compared with a non-seasonally adjusted increase of 0.8 percent reported nationally today by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Local increases were measured for transportation, groceries, clothing and health care, while utilities, housing and restaurant prices remained stable during September, according to the report.

Transportation costs in the Boise area rose for the fourth consecutive month due to higher gasoline prices. The rate of increase in September was 2.1 percent, compared with a 2.0 percent increase nationwide. A 17.2 percent hike in local transportation costs has been recorded during the past six months, according to the report.

Grocery prices in the Boise area also jumped during September, by 0.4 percent, compared with a 0.2 percent increase on a national basis.

Decreases measured for produce were offset by increases for meat, shelf items and alcoholic beverages. During the past six months, a 0.1 percent increase has been seen for local grocery prices.

Following one month of stability, Boise area clothing prices rose by 0.4 percent, according to First Security. Higher price tags were recorded across the board for children's clothing, men's wear and women's apparel. A 2.4 percent increase has been recorded for local clothing costs during the past six months, compared with a 1.3 percent national increase.

A gain of 0.2 percent was computed for Boise area health care in September. Higher prices were seen for non-prescription medicines, reversing their August

trend. During the past six months, an increase of 0.7 percent was noted for local health care costs, compared with a 4.4 percent rise nationally.

Stable prices locally were reported for utilities, housing and restaurant prices during September.

For the 11th month in a row, Bosie area utility costs were the same, compared with a 1.2 percent increase nationally. Local electric rates have been stable for the past 20 months, while both gas and water costs have remained the same for the last 11 months.

Bosie area housing costs were unchanged for the fourth month in a row, compared with a 0.2 percent national increase. During the past six months, however, a 0.5 percent increase has been seen for local housing expenses, according to First Security.

The cost of dining out in the Boise area also remained stable in September, the third consecutive month that costs have computed the same. During the last six months, however, a 2.2 percent increase was registered for local restaurant costs, compared with a 2.1 percent increase nationwide.

The local Boise area price data are produced for First Security by an independent research firm.

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#90291p6782 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, AL (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Today AmSouth Bancorporation (NYSE: ASO) announced third quarter 1990 unaudited net income of $19.4 million or $.83 per common share. This represents a 3.3 percent increase in net income and a 3.8 percent increase in earnings per common share compared to the prior quarter.

"Our third quarter earnings appear relatively strong considering these uncertain economic times, and we continue to be pleased with our key measures of soundness and strength," AmSouth chairman and chief executive officer, John W. Woods said.

"Our capital, or shareholders' equity, increased $11.7 million during third quarter and totaled $578.8 million at Sept. 30, while our allowance for loan losses remained at $82 million. Both of these key measures of strength are the largest totals of any bank headquartered in Alabama," Woods added.

Third quarter 1990 earnings per common share increased 1.2 percent compared to the third quarter of 1989, while net income decreased 2.6 percent. The increase in earnings per common share reflected the impact of the purchase of

1 million shares of AmSouth stock into treasury during the last quarter of 1989 and early 1990.

The earnings for the third quarter of 1990 represented an annualized return on average equity of 13.46 percent and an annualized return on average assets of 0.91 percent. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, earnings totaled $58.7 million or $2.49 per common share vs. $62.0 million and $2.55 for the first nine months of 1989.

AmSouth's gross interest margin improved $4.3 million or 6.5 percent compared to the third quarter of 1989. The gross interest spread for the third quarter of 1990 was 3.94 percent compared to 3.81 percent for the prior year's third quarter.

The provision for loan losses increased $1.3 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared to the same period in 1989 reflecting AmSouth's continuing conservative approach to the weakening economy.

At Sept. 30, AmSouth's allowance for loan losses was $82.7 million or 1.49 percent of loans net of unearned income compared to $71.8 million and 1.32 percent at Sept. 30, 1989. Net charge offs for the third quarter 1990 were $6.4 million.

This figure annualized as a percentage of third quarter 1990 average loans net of unearned income is 0.46 percent. In the last 12 months, AmSouth has reported net charge-offs of $38.8 million while providing $49.7 million. Nonperforming assets have increased $34.0 million during the same period.

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#90291p6786 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROSEMEAD, CA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - SCEcorp (NYSE: SCE), parent company of Southern California Edison Co., today reported that earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $1.31 per share. This is $.53 per share below the third quarter of 1989, but when adjusted to provide a valid comparison with prior year earnings, third quarter earnings are unchanged from the same period last year.

Earnings per share were $3.31 for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, a decrease of $.20 when compared to the same period last year. However, when similarly adjusted, earnings increased $.07 per share over the same period last year.

These adjustments are necessary to provide a valid comparison of earnings because a January 1990 California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) decision shifted some of Edison's 1990 earnings from the third quarter to the other

quarters, with no impact on total annual earnings.

SCEcorp's nonutility businesses contributed $.22 per share for the third quarter of 1990, unchanged from the third quarter of last year. They contributed $.42 per share for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, an increase of $.01 per share over the same period last year.

Mission Energy and Mission First Financial continued their strong performances with a combined 15 percent earnings increase for the third quarter 1990. Mission Land's third quarter 1990 earnings were slightly lower than for the third quarter last year because of a slowdown in real estate transactions. However, it continues to be well positioned for future growth. SCEcorp has discontinued operations at Mission Power Engineering, and third quarter results reflect these costs.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - California Biotechnology Inc. (NASDAQ: CBIO) today reported a net loss of $1.1 million (9 cents per share) for the company's third quarter, ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $2.9 million (26 cents per share) in the same quarter last year. For the first nine months, the net loss was $3.9 million (34 cents per share) compared to a $7.4 million net loss (64 cents per share) for the first nine months last year.

Revenues for the third quarter were $3.7 million, compared to $2.5 million last year. The increase is attributed to a higher level of revenues for contract research and development and to revenues earned for the achievement of certain development milestones during the quarter. Costs and expenses of $5.6 million for the third quarter were slightly higher than the $5.3 million last year due to increased patent costs.

The net loss of $1.1 million for the third quarter was $1.8 million less than the net loss in the same quarter of 1989 as a result of increased revenues and the elimination of equity losses of a foreign affiliate. The company's investment in the affiliate was reduced to zero in 1989. At quarter-end, Cal Bio had more than $33 million in cash and marketable securities.

California Biotechnology Inc. is a biopharmaceutical company engaged in the development of a number of novel human therapeutics on its own behalf and through collaborative arrangements with other pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies.

Consolidated statements of operations and balance sheets follow.

CALIFORNIA BIOTECHNOLOGY INC.

AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Operations

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three months ended Sept. 30,		Nine months ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	
Revenues:				
R&D contracts				
Related parties	$ --	$ --	$ --	$ --
Other	2,933	2,498	7,908	7,356
License income				
Related parties	--	--	--	426
Other	800	--	1,550	280
	3,733	2,498	9,458	8,062
Cost and expenses:				
Research and development	3,950	4,122	11,367	11,336
General and administrative	1,638	1,188	4,431	4,132
	5,588	5,310	15,798	15,468
Loss from operations	(1,855)	(2,812)	(6,340)	(7,406)
Other income (expense):				
Investment income	707	844	2,093	2,640
Other income	82	--	335	(19)
(expense) - net	789	844	2,428	2,621
Equity in the net losses of affiliate	--	(950)	--	(2,500)
Minority interests	5	(27)	(11)	(71)
Net loss	$ (1,061)	$ (2,945)	$ (3,923)	$ (7,356)
Net loss per share	$ (0.09)	$ (0.26)	$ (0.34)	$ (0.64)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	11,658,821	11,368,466	11,555,501	11,492,607

CALIFORNIA BIOTECHNOLOGY INC.

AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Balance Sheets

(In thousands, except share data)

ASSETS

	Sept. 30, 1990 (Unaudited)	Dec. 31, 1989
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 7,428	$ 8,505
Marketable securities	10,000	9,001
Contract revenues receivable	356	177
Other receivables	832	830
Prepaid expenses	422	423
Total current assets	19,038	18,936

Non-current marketable securities	16,019	17,026
Property and equipment, net	28,795	30,433
Other assets	400	556
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 64,252	$ 66,951
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	$ 591	$ 841
Accrued payroll	806	704
Deferred contract revenue	697	943
Other current liabilities	834	723
Total current liabilities	2,928	3,211
Minority interests	188	177
Stockholders' equity:		
Common Stock, $.01 par value; issued and outstanding: 11,687,353 and 11,482,054 respectively	117	115
Additional paid-in capital	109,080	107,608
Notes receivable from stockholders	--	(22)
Accumulated deficit	(48,061)	(44,138)
Total stockholders' equity	61,136	63,563
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$ 64,252	$ 66,951

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#90291p6793 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald T. Marshall, chief executive officer of Sun Distributors L.P. (NYSE: SDP), announced today that a cash distribution of $.091666 has been declared for each Class A limited partnership interest to holders of record Nov. 1, 1990. The distribution will be payable Nov. 30.

CONTACT: Louis J. Cissone of Sun Distributors, (215) 665-3650.

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#90291p6798 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael Fischer, executive director of the Sierra Club, today announced the appointment of Carl Pope as Associate Executive Director. He succeeds Douglas Scott who resigned effective December 31, after 17 years with the Club to become the Executive Director of the San Juan Community Theater and Art Center, located in Friday Harbor, Wash.

Pope has been with Sierra Club for more than 17 years, having served as Political Director and Conservation Director for the largest grassroots environmental organization with 625,000 members throughout the United States

and Canada.

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#90291p6799 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - City of Torrance and Mobil Oil Corp. jointly announced today the resolution of the civil lawsuit filed early in 1989 by the City. Representatives of both parties indicated that the settlement required a great deal of hard work and was entered into in the spirit of cooperation between the parties.

The suit was filed in April of 1989 and was scheduled for trial in November 1990. The lawsuit sought assurances that the Mobil Refinery met community safety standards and addressed the specific community concerns regarding the storage and use of hydrofluoric acid.

Prior to the trial date, Judge Harry V. Peetris conducted settlement discussions with Mobil and the City in a final effort to resolve the suit. The judge was able to develop with the parties a settlement agreement, encompassed in a consent decree, which provides for the assurances which will establish safeguards for the ongoing review and enhancement of the refinery with respect to many safety, health and environmental issues. By terms of the settlement, Mobil has also agreed to the phase out of the use of hydrofluoric acid by December 1997. Mobil has the option prior to 1995 to commit to a alkylation catalyst process if it eliminates the formation of a vapor cloud.

The consent decree also calls for the appointment of a qualified, independent safety adviser who will study specific safety and environmental elements at the refinery and develop recommendations. In addition, the adviser will approve in advance and verify the safety of any modified hydrofluoric acid alkylation catalyst. The consent decree provides the assurances the City originally sought in its lawsuit.

The agreement also calls for the study of a number of other measures, including: an off-site monitoring and alarm system for hazardous and explosive materials; a TV monitoring system tied to the Torrance Fire Department; traffic control systems on sensitive streets; and refinery perimeter programs.

The safety adviser, as well as all aspects of the agreement, would be under the supervision of the court, and Judge Peetris would act as judge pro tem. The fees of the court and in certain cases, the fees of the City, will be paid for by Mobil. The fees of the safety adviser, although initially advanced by the City, will also be fully reimbursed by Mobil. The safety adviser has yet

to be identified but will be jointly selected by the parties.

Both parties are very pleased with the continuing role of Judge Peetris in the supervision of this consent decree. The judge has a long and distinguished judicial career serving as a municipal court judge from 1962 to 1964 and as a Superior Court judge from 1964 until his retirement in December 1984. He has served as a special master or judge on major civil litigation cases such as the federal environmental lawsuit involving the Stringfellow hazardous waste site (United States vs. Stringfellow). He also served as judge pro tem in the state Superior Court case involving the environmental lawsuit against the Casmalia hazardous waste dump (Adams vs. Hunter).

Both the Mobil Corp. and the City of Torrance see this agreement and the consent decree as a bold new initiative to assure the safety of the Torrance Refinery and to guarantee that any and all necessary measures related to safety standards will be implemented and maintained.

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SHELTON, CT (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Forschner Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: FSNR) today announced sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, reporting increased sales and a decline in earnings in both time periods.

Sales for the quarter were $13.4 million compared to $12.6 million in 1989, an increase of 7 percent, and were $34.3 million for the nine months compared to $30.6 million a year ago, a 12 percent gain. Net earnings of $1.1 million for the quarter were down 15 percent from last year's $1.3 million. For the nine months, earnings were $1.9 million against $2.0 million, a drop of 3 percent.

Earnings per share for the quarter were $.27 compared to $.32 in 1989, and $.48, down $.01 for the year to date.

Forschner imports most of its products from Switzerland and pays for them in Swiss francs. In an August announcement, the company expressed concern about the effect of the weakening dollar on earnings. Although Forschner's hedging program was able to limit the impact of dollar/Swiss franc relationship on the gross margin in the third quarter, the company expects a further decline in the gross margin in the fourth quarter and subsequent periods.

During August, Forschner's majority shareholder, The Prospect Group, Inc., distributed its holdings in the company to Prospect shareholders, increasing

the number of Forschner shareholders from approximately 350 to approximately 6,000.

Forschner is the exclusive United States marketer of Victorinox Original Swiss Army Knives and Victorinox cutlery, other high-quality, Swiss-made products bearing the Swiss Army Brands label, and other imported cutlery for professional and consumer use.

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MARTINSVILLE, VA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Tultex Corporation (NYSE: TTX), meeting today, elected Walter J. Caruba as vice president-distribution and James M. Baker as secretary- treasurer.

Vice president-distribution is a newly created position with the responsibilities of physical distribution, central distribution, center implementation, customer service, production planning, and the Tultex quick-response program. Caruba will assume his new duties immediately, reporting to C.W. Davies Jr., executive vice president, who will become president and chief operating officer effective Jan. 1, 1991. Caruba has been with the company since 1978 and has held various posts in information services customer service and production control. His most recent position was general manager-planning. He holds a B.S. degree in computer management from Northern Arizona University. He and his wife, the former Norma Lou Greene, live in Stanleytown, Va., with their three children. They are members of Forest Hills Presbyterian Church of Martinsville, Va.

Baker will become secretary-treasurer on Jan. 1, 1991, assuming the responsibilities of M.B. Lopez, who is retiring as secretary, and V.M. Galbo, who is retiring as treasurer. Baker has been with the company since 1972, and has held various positions in the company's financial department. Baker will report to Don. P. Shook, vice president-finance and administration. He graduated from the University of North Carolina with a B.S. degree in business and is a certified public accountant. He lives in Martinsville, Va., with his wife, the former Nancy Leonard. They are members of First Presbyterian Church of Martinsville.

Tultex is a Martinsville-based producer of fleeced knit activewear and leisure time apparel, operating yarn and apparel manufacturing plants in Virginia and North Carolina.

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#90291p6802 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

WATERTOWN, MASS. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Lifeline Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: LIFE) announced today that third quarter results set new highs for both quarterly and year-to-date performance. Revenues for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 were $8,178,000, a 34 percent increase over the same period a year ago. Net income for the quarter was $705,000, or 19 cents per share, compared to $110,000, or 3 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 38 percent to $23,250,000 from $16,817,000 for the same period of 1989. Year-to-date earnings were $1,922,000, or 53 cents per share, compared to a loss of $351,000, or 11 cents per share, for the first nine months of 1989.

"Business is strong across the board," said Arthur R. Phipps, president and chief executive officer of Lifeline. "Third quarter revenue levels continue to reflect strong volume growth across our network of affiliated health care providers. Even with the current national economic environment, and the particular problems faced by many New England businesses, Lifeline's market opportunities are expanding nationwide and product recognition is at a new high."

LIFELINE SYSTEMS, INC.
OPERATING STATMENTS
For the periods ending September 30, 1990 and 1989

	Quarter		Year-to-date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$8,178,000	$6,119,000	$23,250,000	$16,817,000
Net income (loss)	$705,000	$110,000	$1,922,000	$(351,000)
Net income (loss) per share	19 cents	3 cents	53 cents	(11 cents)
Average shares outstanding	3,685,000	3,311,000	3,610,000	3,311,000

CONTACT: Deborah Cutter of Lifeline Systems, Inc., 617-923-4141 ext. 120

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#90291p6804 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Shopping Network, Inc. (NYSE: HSN) the nation's largest electronic retailer, is pleased to announce record sales and earnings for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990. Net sales for fiscal year 1990 increased $233.9 million, or 30.2 percent to a record $1.008 billion, from the $774.3 million reported in fiscal 1989. For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, net sales reached $244.6 million, an increase of 30.5 percent, or $57.1 million, over the $187.5 million reported in the comparable period last year.

Earnings before extraordinary item for fiscal year 1990 reached $32.5 million, or $.35 per share, compared with a loss of $(22.1) million, or $(.25) per share in fiscal 1989. Net earnings for fiscal year 1990 were $38.8 million, or $.42 per share, compared with a net loss of $(14.9) million, or $(.17) per share in fiscal 1989. The extraordinary after tax gain from the repurchase of long-term obligations in fiscal 1990 totaled $6.3 million, or $.07 per share, compared with $7.1 million, or $.08 per share in fiscal 1989.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, earnings before extraordinary item were $1.4 million, or $.02 per share, compared with a loss of $(26.2) million, or $(.29) per share in the comparable period last year. Net earnings for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, were $1.7 million, or $.02 per share, compared with a net loss of $(26.1) million, or $(.29) per share in the comparable period last year. In the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, HSN recognized an extraordinary after tax gain from the repurchase of long-term obligations of $.3 million, compared with $.1 million in the comparable period last year.

Roy M. Speer, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "I believe these financial results indicate that despite the weak economy, and a sluggish retail environment, the electronic retailing industry will continue to thrive." Speer continued, "Fiscal 1990 was a milestone year for HSN. We reached the $1 billion mark in net sales, moved our listing to the New York Stock Exchange, and generated the highest earnings in our company's history. We remain optimistic that HSN will continue to grow as more American consumers realize that the store of tomorrow is conveniently located in their home, today."

CONTACT: Home Shopping Network, Inc. corporate communications, 800-284-0469

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#90291p6806 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

OCALA, FL (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Mid-State Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: MSSB) announced today that its shareholders have approved the revised terms of the proposed acquisition of Mid-State Federal by First Florida Banks, Inc.

The proposed combination with First Florida was approved by the necessary vote of the shareholders of Mid-State Federal at a special meeting of shareholders held in Ocala, Fla. earlier today. Under the terms of the new acquisition agreement, which was approved by Mid-State Federal and First Florida effective July 2, 1990, First Florida has agreed to pay $48 million, or approximately $22.43 per share, in cash for the outstanding shares and stock options of Mid-State Federal in the acquisition.

At the shareholders' meeting, Charles E. Harris, chairman of the board of Mid-State Federal, stated that the Office of Thrift Supervision has approved First Florida's application to acquire Mid-State Federal but that the acquisition was still subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions,

including the receipt of approvals from the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Harris further stated that he continues to hope that all approvals will be received and all conditions satisfied in time for the transaction to be consummated by year-end 1990, but delays could occur and no assurances could be given that all such approvals or conditions will be received or satisfied.

Mid-State Federal is a publicly held, federally insured and federally chartered stock savings bank with its common stock traded over-the-counter and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "MSSB". With its home office in Ocala, Fla., the thrift has assets of just under $1 billion and operates 26 branch offices within a five county area in west central Florida.

CONTACT: James L. Goehler, executive vice president and CFO of Mid-State Federal Savings Bank, 904-854-4100.

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#90291p6809 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Corroon & Black Corporation (NYSE: CBL) today announced that Wayne Brown has been appointed director of the Pacific region of the corporation's Brokerage Services Group.

Brown, a graduate of Texas A&M University, has 24 years' experience in the commercial insurance business. He began his insurance career with a large commercial casualty insurance agency in Texas, and has spent the last 16 years with Corroon & Black's offices in Fairbanks and Anchorage, Alaska. Since 1985 he has been chief executive officer of the Anchorage office. Under his leadership, Corroon & Black, Inc.'s Anchorage office received the corporation's 1989 Chairman's Award and the 1989 Robert F. Corroon Award.

Richard A. Riley, director of the Brokerage Services Group's Western Division, commented in making the announcement: "Wayne is a skilled corporate administrator and account manager with a strong commitment to customer service. In addition to his managerial responsibilities, he has coordinated and serviced many of Corroon & Black's major accounts, and his appointment reflects his ongoing service, as well as Corroon & Black's dedication to our clients and to the Pacific region."

Corroon & Black Corporation, now a unit of Willis Corroon plc (ADR - NYSE, PSE: WCG), is headquartered in New York City. Corroon & Black is one of the world's largest full-service insurance intermediaries, providing insurance brokerage, risk management services, reinsurance brokerage, and employee benefits, compensation, and actuarial consulting to individuals, local governments, professions, business, and industry. It has offices across the United States and affiliated offices throughout the world. Willis Corroon traces its origins to 1828, with the establishment in London of Henry Willis & Company. Its Corroon & Black unit was founded in 1905 in New York City.

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#90291p6811 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - ITT Hartford Insurance Group said today that Public Citizen made serious factual errors in its report on the financial solvency of The Hartford and asked the organization to issue a retraction.

The report, which supposedly examines the nation's top 20 property-casualty insurance companies, alleges that The Hartford, along with four other major insurers, is potentially at risk in a severe economic downturn.

Executives of The Hartford met in Washington today with representatives of Public Citizen, challenging the validity of the report and specifically charging that Public Citizen made an egregious error in concluding that The Hartford's 1988 surplus - the available backup funds used in case of catastrophic or unexpectedly severe losses - was 33 percent below its 1972 surplus (in constant 1967 dollars).

In fact, The Hartford's 1988 surplus, compared with its 1972 surplus, grew six percent. The Hartford's surplus has not deteriorated, and the company should not have been listed as one of the five companies that were found to have failed this test, said Donald R. Frahm, chairman, president and chief executive officer of The Hartford.

This calculation has been confirmed by The Hartford's independent auditors, Arthur Andersen & Co. Moreover, independent analysts have publicly disagreed with the findings in the Public Citizen study and have charged that the methods used in the report are flawed.

"Public Citizen, in fact, has flunked the test," said Frahm. "Not only are Public Citizen's tests inconclusive and without credibility, but the organization's researchers applied their own data incorrectly," said Frahm.

Frahm noted that reputable and experienced rating organizations continue to evaluate The Hartford as one of the strongest and most responsible companies in the industry. "Public Citizen's study and the tests it used are so far off the mark it makes the whole thing ludicrous.

"Since the beginning, we have seriously questioned the validity of the study and we are skeptical of Public Citizen's capability of analyzing the insurance industry," said Frahm. "We believe the only purpose of the study is to further Public Citizen's legislative agenda."

ITT Hartford Insurance Group, a subsidiary of ITT Corp. (NYSE: ITT), is one of

the nation's oldest and largest international insurance and financial services operations. Member companies offer commercial property and casualty insurance, automobile and homeowners coverages, and a variety of life insurance, employee benefit and asset management plans.

CONTACT: Ken Ferraro, (203) 547-3724 (office) or (203) 645-0468 (home); or Joyce Willis, (203) 547-4951 (office) or (203) 286-0202 (home), both of ITT Hartford Insurance Group.

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#90291p6814 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHAMOKIN, PA. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Central Pennsylvania Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: CPSA) today reported earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $902,000 or $.44 a share.

In addition to the earnings report it was also announced that the company received regulatory approval to complete the purchase of four branch offices.

John M. O'Brien, president, said net income for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, declined when compared to the same period in the prior year. Net interest income, however, increased when compared to the prior period.

Although net income declined in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the prior year included a one-time gain of $380,000 generated through the sale of an asset. During the current period the provision for taxes was increased by $23,000 because Pennsylvania's Mutual Thrift Taxes increased to 20 percent. Also, the provision for general loan loss reserves was increased by $90,000 in order to be best prepared for future eventualities in light of a deteriorating real estate market.

The acquisition of four offices in the York-Lancaster markets of southcentral Pennsylvania will be completed on Nov. 1, 1990. These four offices will allow the company to enter one of the fastest-growing economies in the state and nation.

Since the company announced a buy-back of up to 5 percent of its common stock some 39,880 shares have been repurchased. The board of directors approved the repurchase program in August because of depressed market prices on the company stock.

Central Pennsylvania Financial Corp. is the parent company of Central Pennsylvania Savings Association. The association is the 18th largest federally insured savings institution in Pennsylvania. Originally chartered in 1873, Central Pennsylvania conducts business from offices in Williamsport, Danville, Lewisburg, Shamokin Dam, Sunbury, Camp Hill, Mount Carmel, Shamokin and Hershey. Its Hamilton- Reliance division conducts business from offices in Norristown, Wayne, Warminster, West Point and Philadelphia.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA FINANCIAL CORP.
Selected Financial Data

Three months ended Sept. 30	1989	1990
Total assets	$464,386,000	$465,853,000
Stockholders equity	38,306,000	40,583,000
Net interest income	3,082,000	3,227,000
Net income	1,228,000	902,000
Earnings per share	$.60	$.44

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#90291p6817 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Virginia Electric and Power Company will redeem 11,834 shares of its $8.60 Dividend Preferred Stock, or 3 percent of the shares originally issued, on December 20. There are currently 252,432 shares of the series outstanding.

The redemption will be part of the series' annual sinking fund requirement. The redemption price will be $100.00 per share. Shares to be redeemed will be drawn by lot.

The record date for determining shares to be redeemed is November 1. The Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A., P.O. Box 396, Bowling Green Station, New York, N.Y. 10274, will act as redemption agent.

Virginia Electric and Power Company, which operates in Virginia as Virginia Power and in North Carolina as North Carolina Power, is the principal subsidiary of Dominion Resources, Inc. (NYSE: D).

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#90291p6818 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Corroon & Black Corporation announced today the promotion of two executives at Corroon & Black of Massachusetts, Inc., a subsidiary located in Boston.

David A. Jollin, president and chief executive officer of Corroon & Black of Massachusetts, Inc., has been appointed chairman, and will retain the title of chief executive officer. Brian C. Miller, executive vice president and chief operating officer, has been promoted to president, retaining the chief operating officer designation. The promotions were announced by James M. Corroon, director of the Northeast Region of Corroon & Black's Brokerage Services Group.

Jollin, who has more than 16 years of insurance industry experience, has been president and chief executive of Corroon & Black of Massachusetts since 1986. Previously senior vice president and director of sales, he has also served as a vice president and account executive on major accounts with another international insurance brokerage firm. He is a graduate of Brown University and holds a bachelor's degree in sociology and English. Jollin is on the board of trustees of the Beaver Country Day School and is active in the Boston Chamber of Commerce.

Miller has served as executive vice president and chief operating officer since joining Corroon & Black of Massachusetts in 1986. Before joining Corroon & Black, Miller was first vice president with a subsidiary of another insurance broker, where he managed the firm's large accounts technical service and marketing operations and new business development for multinational accounts. He began his insurance career in 1972 with a major insurance company in Hartford, Conn. He is a graduate of Eisenhower College with a bachelor's degree in economics and political science and has completed a management program at the College of Insurance.

Corroon & Black Corporation, now a unit of Willis Corroon plc (NYSE: WCG), is headquartered in New York City. Corroon & Black is one of the world's largest full-service insurance intermediaries, providing insurance brokerage, risk management services, reinsurance brokerage, and employee benefits, compensation, and actuarial consulting to individuals, local governments, professions, business, and industry. It has offices across the United States and affiliated offices throughout the world. Willis Corroon traces its origins to 1828, with the establishment in London of Henry Willis & Company. Its Corroon & Black unit was founded in 1905 in New York City.

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#90291p6819 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHBROOK, IL (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc. (NYSE: IFL) shareholders reelected three directors for three-year terms at today's annual meeting held at the company's general office in Mundelein, Ill.

Reelected were Billie B. Turner, IMC Fertilizer's chairman and chief executive officer since its incorporation as a publicly traded corporate entity in 1987, Dr. M. Blakeman Ingle, president and chief operating officer of IMCERA Group, Inc., and George D. Kennedy, chairman and chief executive officer of IMCERA Group, Inc. (NYSE: IMA).

Immediately following today's formal proceedings, the company's board increased its size with the appointment of Raymond F. Bentele, executive vice

president of IMCERA Group, Inc. as its eighth director. Bentele, whose term is for two years, also serves as president of Mallinckrodt Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of IMCERA Group Inc.

The expansion of the company's board and appointment of Bentele was accomplished to more accurately reflect the fact that IMCERA Group, Inc., formerly known as International Minerals & Chemical Corporation, currently holds a 38 percent interest in IMC Fertilizer, a spokesman explained.

IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc. is the world's leading producer and supplier of phosphate rock and potash, two basic fertilizer materials, and a manufacturer of phosphate chemicals and nitrogen crop nutrients. The company also recovers uranium oxide for upgrading by electric utilities as fuel for nuclear power plants.

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#90291p6820 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Florida Progress Corporation (NYSE: FPC) released its 1990 third quarter unaudited report of earnings today it was announced by Richard Korpan, executive vice president and chief financial officer.

For the quarter, the company's earnings were $58.1 million ($1.13 per share) on revenues of $591.8 million as compared to earnings of $75.2 million ($1.47 per share) on revenues of $551.5 million in 1989.

This decrease in earnings is principally due to a reserve being taken in anticipation of a loss resulting from the divestiture of the building products companies. (Previously announced on Oct. 8, 1990).

Talquin Corporation, the development subsidiary of Florida Progress Corporation, announced last week that it plans to sell the companies comprising its building products operations.

While expecting some gains and losses from the sale of individual companies, the company established a reserve in the third quarter of $.28 per share primarily for the disposition costs and potential losses associated with the sale of its window manufacturing unit. The company will report this provision, as well as the operating results of building products, as "discontinued operations."

Third quarter earnings per share for Florida Progress' continuing diversified operations were $.06 for 1990 as compared to $.14 in 1989. The third quarter results for 1989 included an after tax gain of $.09 per share for the disposition of a business forms manufacturing subsidiary and a $.03 per share

benefit from the use of a capital loss carry forward.

The utility had quarterly earnings of $1.35 per share compared to $1.29 in 1989. Florida Power Corporation's quarterly results were boosted by residential and commercial sales growth that averaged about four percent primarily due to continued customer growth.

In 1990, customer and usage growth partially offset the impact of higher depreciation rates and the rate reduction from an extension of customer billing credits by the Florida Public Service Commission. During the prior year, third quarter earnings were reduced by $.10 per share due to an August 1989 decision by the Commission to disallow certain fuel costs.

Florida Progress is a holding company that combines its primary electric utility business with diversified operations in energy and transportation, development and financial services.

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#90291p6823 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, FLA. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - DBA Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: DBAS) announces the delivery of its first turn-key High Resolution Digital Imaging System to the Defense Intelligence Community. The system is focused around a 4-12 micron, variable-resolution digitizer which uses a DBA proprietary CCD array abutment technique to produce a composite array of 20,000 uniformly compensated pixels. A single pass digitization provides 20K pixels by 20K lines over a field of view of 9.5 inches by 9.5 inches. The digitizer supports both flat-sheet and roll film and is equipped with an automatic roll film handling system. A SUN 4/390-based image processing work station provides the capability to enhance image contrast and brightness, provide roam and zoom over the entire image, and transfer or retrieve the digital imagery to and from a Very Large Data Store (VLDS) device. The Digital Imaging System will be utilized by the Defense Commununity to satisfy its ever increasing digital image analysts, exploitation and archiving requirements.

CONTACT: John L. Slack, chairman of the board, president and CEO of DBA Systems, Inc., 407-727-0660, ext. 2535

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#90291p6824 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Walter E. Meadley, Jr., president and chief operating officer of National City Bank of Minneapolis, has been named to National City Bancorporation's (NASDAQ: NCBM) board of directors according to David L. Andreas, chairman of the board and chief executive officer. Meadley replaces D. Inez Andreas who resigned from the board in July.

Meadley has been with National City Bank since 1970 and its president and chief operating officer since 1985.

National City Bancorporation (NCBC) is a publicly held bank holding company headquartered in Minneapolis. With assets over $500 million, NCBC owns National City Bank of Minneapolis, a full service bank and Diversified Business Credit, Inc., a commercial finance company.

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#90291p6825 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOHEMIA, N.Y. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Symbol Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: SBL) announced today that the declaratory judgment action recently filed in Oregon by Spectra-Physics is without merit and that Symbol will seek dismissal.

In 1986, as a result of a patent lawsuit brought against it, Spectra-Physics was enjoined from infringing Symbol's hand-held laser scanner patents by a federal court in California but was granted a limited patent license by Symbol. In May 1990 Symbol won a patent lawsuit against Opticon, Inc. and its Japanese parent Opto Electronics Co., Ltd. A New York federal court ruled that Symbol's basic patents on hand-held laser scanners for reading bar codes, which were licensed to Spectra-Physics, were valid enforceable and infringed by Opticon.

Earlier this month, Spectra-Physics, now a subsidiary of Pharos AB of Sweden, announced that it "has acquired a license...from Opticon for their hand-held laser bar code reader." In a collateral release Spectra-Physics announced that it intends to manufacture and sell a hand-held laser scanner (Model SP300) under the limited license it obtained from Symbol.

Dr. Jerome Swartz, chairman and chief executive officer of Symbol Technologies said, "In spite of their announcement concerning the applicability of the Symbol license, Spectra-Physics is apparently concerned that its Opticon-designed scanner is not covered by its limited license with Symbol, and their action appears to seek a declaration that it is covered. Symbol believes that Spectra-Physics will be unsuccessful and that the action will be dismissed."

Symbol Technologies, Inc. is the world leader in bar code-based data capture systems with over one million scanners and terminals installed. The company designs, manufactures and markets bar code reading equipment, portable data terminals and radio frequency data communications products which are used as strategic building blocks in data collection systems for retail, manufacturing distribution, military, health care and many other applications.

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#90291p6828 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHBROOK, IL (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc. (NYSE: IFL) shareholders at today's annual meeting heard Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Billie B. Turner cited a number of positives that offer "reason for optimism that demand for the company's products could continue strong during coming months."

Speaking to about 200 shareholders and guests at the company's third annual meeting, held at IMCF's general office complex in Mundelein, Ill., Turner cautioned that the recently announced first quarter results of $23 million or 87 cents per share, a 15 percent improvement over the same period a year ago, "marked a good start for the current year, but really just that ... a start."

That earnings gain, announced Oct. 11, was credited to improved prices for several of the company's major products, phosphate chemicals and ammonia. Prices for potash and phosphate rock were reported as holding steady during the quarter.

Turner warned against attempting to make a full-year earnings projection based on the first quarter results.

Reasons cited for caution against unlimited optimism include the "vagaries of the marketplace, unknowns surrounding current tensions in the Middle East, uncertainties involving the U.S. budget and tax issues as well as any potential impact of new farm legislation."

Positives Cited

Having made that proviso, Turner listed some welcome positives that could help IMCF recover from recent problems caused by a variety of external conditions.

"For one thing, we see continued demand growth in both the large U.S. fertilizer market as well as continued improvements in overseas activity," he explained.

"For example, the fundamentals appear positive at this point," the IMCF chairman added. "Record net farm income, comfortable grain stocks and low fertilizer inventories held by producers and dealers must be viewed as positive factors concerning the domestic market outlook.

"Overseas, it is welcome news that major customers such as China and India have remained in the international market after periods of inactivity and uncertainty.

"Within the IMCF organization, continued excellent financial performances, including aggressive programs to control costs, deserve recognition as important contributors to our company's first quarter performance," Turner told shareholders.

Turner also assured shareholders the long-range growth potential for fertilizers remains bright.

Formal Business
During today's meeting, shareholders elected three directors, authorized an amendment to the company's 1988 stock option and award plan, and ratified the appointment of Ernst & Young as the company's independent auditors.

IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc., is the world's leading private enterprise producer of phosphate rock and potash, two basic fertilizer materials, and a manufacturer of phosphate chemicals and nitrogen crop nutrients. The company also recovers uranium oxide for upgrading as fuel for nuclear power plants.

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-30- 3282
#90291p6832 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
MOUNT CLEMENS, MICH. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Central Holding Company (NASDAQ: CHOL) reported net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $503,000 or $0.14 per share as compared to a net loss of $275,000 or $0.08 per share for the corresponding quarter one year earlier.

Total assets of Central Holding Company were $527 million and stockholders' equity totaled $19.0 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Maureen Haller of Kolon, Bittker & Desmond, 313-524-2500, for Central Holding Company

-30- 665
#90291p6833 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
(OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - H.B. Fuller Company (NASDAQ: FULL) voted at a board meeting today to approve the regular quarterly dividend of $0.15 per share of common stock. The dividend is payable Nov. 9, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 29, 1990, for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

H.B. Fuller Company is a worldwide manufacturer and marketer of specialty chemical products, including adhesives, sealants, coatings, paints and sanitation chemicals.

CONTACT: Richard Edwards of H.B. Fuller, 612-647-3650

-30- 676
#90291p6834 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEARWATER, FL (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Fortune Financial Group, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FORF) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 7-1/2 cents per common share. The dividend is payable Nov. 29 to shareholders of record Nov. 9.

The common stock of Fortune Financial Group is traded on the NASDAQ National Market system under the symbol "FORF."

CONTACT: Tom Myers of Fortune Financial Group, Inc. 813-538-1114.

-30- 619
#90291p6840 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Silicon Graphics Inc. (NYSE: SGI) today reported revenues totaling $115.8 million for the first quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, a 34 percent increase over the comparable quarter a year earlier. Net income was $9.6 million for the quarter compared with net income of $5.2 million in the like period for the prior fiscal year, an increase of 84 percent. Earnings per share increased to $.44 per share from $.28 per share (fully diluted), a 57 percent increase.

Edward R. McCracken, Silicon Graphics' president and CEO commented, "We are pleased with our first quarter's results, particularly in light of the normal seasonal slowdown in the summer quarter and the unsettled state of the economy. The Company's sustained emphasis on financial execution resulted in a reduction in operating expenses from fourth quarter's levels and in positive cash flow for the quarter," McCracken added.

During the quarter, Silicon Graphics announced the availability of several software products intended to extend the application of its systems in the corporate environment. The Company introduced NetVisualyzer(TM), a set of visual network monitoring and diagnostic tools for multivendor computing environments. The Company also jointly announced several software packages including database, spreadsheet and desktop productivity packages, developed by third party software developers. "Leadership in the visual processing market not only requires that we have the best graphics technology and the broadest product line, but also a complete set of productivity tools. We believe that this market is one of the fastest growing computer industry segments," McCracken concluded.

Silicon Graphics, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of high- performance graphics systems, servers and software for three-dimensional distributed visual processing applications. The Company's products, which range from advanced project supercomputers to low-end desktop models, are used by engineers, scientists and creative professionals in design, analysis,

manufacturing and simulation. The Company's stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SGI.

Silicon Graphics is a registered trademark and NetVisualyzer is a trademark of Silicon Graphics Inc.

CONTACT: Tom Oswold, 415-335-7072; or Jill Grossman, 415-335-1516, both of Silicon Graphics

-30- 2585

#90291p6841 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - KnowledgeWare Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: KNOW), a leading developer of Computer-Aided Software Engineering (CASE) products, today announced financial results for its first fiscal quarter which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reported that in the quarter it attained both total revenues and product license revenues that exceeded any prior quarter in the company's history.

The company reported net income for the quarter of $2,532,000 or $.20 per share. Total revenues for the quarter were $23,517,000, up 84 percent from revenues of $12,754,000 for the corresponding period of 1989. Product license revenues for the quarter were $19,262,000, up 136 percent from $8,171,000 for the same period last year.

Historically, the company has experienced a decline in revenues between its fourth quarter and first quarter due to the cyclical nature of market buying patterns. This year, for the first time, both total revenue and product license revenue increased during the first quarter over fourth quarter totals.

Total revenue for the September 1990 quarter was up five percent from $22,323,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990. Product license revenue was up 15 percent from $16,723,000 in the fourth quarter.

"The revenues we are reporting today are the highest of any quarter in KnowledgeWare's history," said Fran Tarkenton, KnowledgeWare's chairman and chief executive officer.

"As we attended several prominent investment community forums during September we addressed numerous concerns about the potential for a slow down in our revenue growth based upon a general economic slow down.

"We responded by stating that CASE products, such as ours, are increasingly being viewed by businesses as competitive necessities, not discretionary purchases. This quarter's record revenues lend support to that assessment. Further, we saw no reluctance by businesses to commit to expenditures for

these products in record volumes as evidenced by the vast majority of contracts and resulting receivables falling within payment terms of 30 days."

"Year to year first quarter comparisons of our earnings per share yield a 300 percent rate of growth on a recurring revenue basis," said Terry McGowan, president and chief operating officer.

"During the quarter ended September 30, 1989, the company realized the final $2,400,000 in revenue from a $5 million technology license agreement with IBM. That revenue accounted for $.15 of the $.20 per share we earned during the September 1989 quarter."

CONTACT: Herb Achey of KnowledgeWare, (404) 231-8575.

-30- 2811

#90291p6843 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - American Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ: ASLA) ("American Savings") and Fortune Savings Bank ("Fortune") jointly announced today a proposed exchange of branch offices that will strengthen both institutions.

The transaction, which is subject to regulatory approval, involves the sale of all American Savings offices in Pinellas and Pasco counties, Fla. to Fortune, and the sale of Fortune's six Broward and Palm Beach branches to American.

"This exchange will strengthen the competitive positions of both institutions in their key marketing areas," said Harris Friedman, chairman and chief executive officer of Miami-based American Savings, and Rausey W. Mason, president and chief executive officer of Fortune, which is headquartered in Clearwater, Fla.

The agreement calls for American Savings to sell 13 branches in Pinellas County and two in Pasco County, along with their deposits, to Fortune. The aggregate deposits of these 15 branches are approximately $515 million. In turn, Fortune will sell its six Southeast Florida branches and their deposits, which total about $210 million, to American Savings.

"The extra deposits Fortune receives will be used directly to reduce other higher cost funds, thus maintaining our balance sheet at the current level," Mason said.

The transaction does not include the purchase of loans or investments by either party. In each case, the institutions will eliminate operations that are distant from their home bases and will enhance their marketing positions in areas where they are major competitive factors.

"The transaction will eliminate our West Coast presence and give American a total of 43 branches in Dade, Broward and Palm Beach counties, thereby enhancing our position in Southeast Florida, where we already have a strong market position. Also, this transaction will strengthen our capital position even further," Friedman said.

"Fortune, which already has about 10 percent of all Pinellas bank deposits, will increase its Pinellas presence to 36 branches from 23 at present," Mason said. "We're especially pleased at the way the transaction will enhance our South Pinellas coverage. It also will increase our market presence from four to six branches in rapidly growing Pasco County.

"The move will give Fortune a total of 55 branches and will solidify our dominant position on the West Coast of Florida, while eliminating our presence on the East Coast," Mason said.

Fortune, with more than $3 billion in assets, is a subsidiary of Fortune Financial Group, Inc., (NASDAQ-NMS: FORF) whose common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "FORF."

American Savings has assets of $4.9 billion and its common shares are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol "ASLA." Both American Savings and Fortune currently exceed all capital requirements.

CONTACT: Harris C. Friedman of American Savings and Loan Association, 305-770-2097; or Tom Myers of Fortune Savings Bank, 813-538-1114

-30- 3232

#90291p6845 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Cellular Communications, Inc. ("CCI") (NASDAQ: COMM) announced today that it had set a record date of Nov. 5, 1990 for a special meeting of stockholders that was tentatively scheduled for Friday, Dec. 28, 1990. At such meeting, stockholders would be asked to consider and act upon the amended and restated agreement and plan of merger and joint venture organization, dated as of Oct. 5, 1990 between CCI and Pacific Telesis Group ("PacTel") (NYSE: PAC). CCI said proxy materials would be distributed as soon as available (currently anticipated to be mid-November) following their review in normal course by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

CCI also announced that it expected to report favorable revenues for the third quarter of 1990, and favorable operating income (before interest, depreciation taxes and expenses relating to the transaction with PacTel). In the third quarter, CCI's Ohio Systems had a record number of gross new customers activated, although a higher deactivation rate in the third quarter of 1990 led to lower than expected net customer additions. CCI said that it believed its deactivation rate in the third quarter remained lower than the average

rate reported by industry sources for other cellular operators in the United States. Full third quarter results are expected to be released in the second week of November in accordance with CCI's normal practice.

CONTACT: J. Barclay Knapp, executive vice president and chief operating officer, of Richard J. Lubasch, vice president and general counsel, both of CCI, 212-319-7014

-30- 1784

#90291p6850 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Jostens Inc. (NYSE: JOS) today reported record sales and earnings for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

Net sales for the three months ended Sept. 30 were $141.3 million, a 9 percent increase over last year's volume of $129.5 million. Net income for the first quarter was $2.8 million, an 11 percent increase over the $2.5 million reported a year ago. Earnings per share rose 17 percent to 7 cents, compared with 6 cents per share reported for the same period last year.

H. William Lurton, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, "I am pleased with our results for the first three months and am confident that fiscal 1991 will be another excellent year for Jostens."

He added, "All of our businesses reported sales increases over the prior year quarter. For the full year, I expect our sales increase to be in the 12 to 14 percent range."

Jostens Inc. is a leading provider of products and services for the youth, education, sports award and recognition markets. The Fortune 500 company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "JOS" and last year reported sales of $788 million.

CONTACT: Robb Prince of Jostens Inc., 612-830-3262

-30- 1408

#90291p6851 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Chips and Technologies Inc., (Chips) (NASDAQ: CHPS), today reported net sales of $59.5 million and net income of $0.7 million, or 5 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 (First Quarter 1991). This compares to net sales of $70.9 million and net income of $9.1 million, or 58 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989 (First Quarter 1990).

Gordon A. Campbell, president and CEO of Chips, said that the decline in net sales and net income for First Quarter 1991 compared to First Quarter 1990 was principally attributable to lower average selling prices (ASPs) on some of the

company's more mature solutions for machines compatible with AT(TM) personal computers; a shift in product mix to CHIPSets with comparatively lower margins; and lower unit shipments due to a softening in overall PC market demand over the past several months. "Over the past year, Chips has been executing a product transition towards CHIPSet solutions offering significantly higher levels of integration and performance. During this period competition for our more mature CHIPSets -- which currently comprise the bulk of our shipments -- has intensified resulting in price declines and commensurately lower margins. Gross margin for First Quarter 1991 was 42 percent of net sales, compared to a 47 percent rate for First Quarter 1990."

Campbell continued, "We have made good progress on the development and introduction of new generation products, including two families of system solutions based on Chips' Single Chip AT (SCAT) and PEAKset(TM) product architectures. The SCAT architecture addresses the volume markets for low-cost, non-cache machines using 286 and 386sx microprocessors, while our PEAKset family of products offers tightly integrated high-performance solutions for 32-bit PC applications. Several of these products have begun to ship in volume and customer acceptance has been encouraging."

During First Quarter 1991 Chips purchased $10.9 million of its outstanding common stock under an existing stock repurchase program. The Board of Directors recently approved the repurchase of up to an additional $10 million of Chips' outstanding common stock, The Board has previously approved an amount up to $30 million for the repurchase of the company's common stock $24.7 million of which had been utilized as of Sept. 30, 1990. Treasury stock which remains unissued at any period-end is treated as retired, and therefore has the long-term benefit of restricting growth in the number of common shares used in calcualting earnings per share. Accordingly, the company believes that this program benefits its stockholders and is a strategic use of cash.

Cash and cash equivalent balances remain strong at $54.9 million. Inventories increased to $29.2 million, but still represent less than three months' product shipments.

Chips has continued to invest in product research and development, committing $12 million or 20 percent of First Quarter 1991 net sales, to projects important to its future growth. At the same time Chips has controlled overall expense growth; First Quarter 1991 operating expenses were $24.6 million, a decline of $2 million compared to the preceding quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Chips and Technologies Inc. is the world's leading supplier of VLSI proprietary CHIPSets and software solutions for high performance microcomputer systems based on evolving industry standards. The company's common stock is traded over the counter under the symbol CHPS and is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System.

CONTACT: Lisa C. Herbst of Chips and Technologies, 408-434-0600

-30- 3868
#90291p6852 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
TROY, MICH. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas R. Ricketts, chairman and chief executive officer of Standard Federal Bank (NYSE: SFB), announced that the board of directors of the bank has declared a regular quarterly dividend of $0.10 per share to stockholders of record on Nov. 16, 1990, payable Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Joseph Krul of Standard Federal Bank, 313-643-9600, or in Michigan, 800-482-3930, or in Indiana, 800-874-3716

-30- 604
#90291p6858 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEWPORT NEWS, VA. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSIWRE - The Flight International Group, Inc., a leading provider of military readiness training, today reported consolidated operating results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

For the three months ended July 31, 1990, Flight International reported a net loss of ($1,968,300), or ($0.54) per share, on revenues of $11,484,500, versus a net loss a year earlier of ($887,200), or ($0.27) per share, on revenues of $13,825,800. "While we were able to reduce operating costs during the period, which should lead to greater profit margins in the future, first-quarter profitability suffered as a result of unusual charges for legal and professional fees associated with the company's operational and debt restructuring," said J. Nelson Happy, chairman and chief executive officer. "But once the restructuring is complete, these costs will cease to be a continuing burden on earnings."

"Fluctuations in demand on some of our government contracts resulted in a reduction in flight operations revenue, but we fully expect to make up the difference in later periods," Happy said. "The contraction in revenue had nothing to do with the transfer of U.S. forces to the Persian Gulf. In fact, training missions have been increasing during the current quarter," he added.

He also pointed out that comparative figures for 1989 included revenue from the now sold Fixed Base Operations (FBO) in Carlsbad, Calif., and Atlanta. "We sold the FBOs to improve profitability and allow us to focus on our core flight operations business," Happy said. "Ultimately we intend to replace these revenues from other operations."

With today's SEC filing of Form 10Q for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, Flight International is completely up to date in terms of its SEC filing requirements. "Now that we have dealt with the financial reporting issues that prompted Flight International's delisting in 1989, the company will immediately apply for relisting on NASDAQ," Happy said.

Flight International also announced that Wednesday, Oct. 24, 1990 has been selected as the record date for the company's annual meeting of shareholders, which is scheduled for Nov. 30, 1990. The 9 a.m. meeting will be held at the Halloran House, 525 Lexington Ave. in New York City.

The Flight International Group, Inc. is a leader in aviation services with interests in government and military contracts as well as commercial flight operations.

CONTACT: Steven Rogers of Flight International, 804-886-5577, or Art Gormley of Hill and Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for Flight International

-30- 2790

#90291p6864 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLEN ROCK, NJ (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Rodney T. Verblaauw, president of Citizens First National Bank of New Jersey, announced today that the board of directors of the bank has consented to a regulatory order issued by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency to undertake measures which the regulators expect the bank to implement in the next few months.

The main purpose of these measures, and the procedures outlined, is to strengthen internal procedures, improve asset quality, and achieve stated capital levels by March 31, 1991 and Dec. 31, 1991.

Verblaauw stated that included among the items outlined by the comptroller were an ongoing review of the bank's loan portfolio, a program for monitoring and taking corrective action regarding problem loans and other criticized assets, and the development of short and long term capital plans.

The comptroller directed that the bank shall achieve certain capital levels including Tier 1 capital level of at least six percent of adjusted total assets by March 31, 1991 and seven percent by Dec. 31, 1991. As of Sept. 30, 1990, the Tier 1 ratio of the bank was 4.62 percent.

He further reported that because of the recent increase in the bank's provision for loan losses and the general economic conditions in the marketplace, the board has already implemented a number of the steps outlined by the comptroller and that the bank will aggressively pursue implementation of the remaining items.

"Throughout this period," said Verblaauw, "our major objective will be to continue to provide our well known high level of service to depositors, borrowers and other financial service customers in our market area."

Citizens First National Bank of New Jersey, which has 51 offices serving five counties in New Jersey, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Citizens First Bancorp

Inc. (AMEX: CFB).

CONTACT: Jack M. Blackin of Citizens, (201) 670-2455.

-30- 2108

#90291p6865 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAWRENCE, MASS. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - First Essex Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: FESX) announced today that its 1990 annual meeting of stockholders will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1990 at 10 a.m. at the Sheraton Inn and Conference Center, 311 Lowell St., Andover, Mass. 01810. Matters to be considered at the annual meeting include election of directors and such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

CONTACT: C. Frederick Rossbach, executive vice president and treasurer, 508-681-7500

-30- 664

#90291p6869 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHPAGE, N.Y. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Grumman Corporation (NYSE: GQ) today declared a dividend of 70 cents per share on the company's $2.80 preferred stock payable Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 5.

The directors also declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on common stock payable Nov. 20, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 9.

CONTACT: Miriam Reid of Grumman, 516-575-3999

-30- 628

#90291p6871 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MICH. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Charles Gelman, chairman and chief executive officer of Gelman Sciences Inc. (AMEX: GSC), has announced that William C. Emhiser, president and chief operating officer, and member of the board of directors, has resigned as of Oct. 19, 1990, for personal reasons. Emhiser had been president for two years. A replacement has not been named.

CONTACT: Edward J. Levitt of Gelman Sciences Inc., 313-665-0651

-30- 627

#90291p6872 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLEN ROCK, NJ (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Citizens First Bancorp, Inc. (AMEX: CFB) today reported a loss for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, due to an increase in the provision for loan losses.

For the third quarter, Citizens reported a loss of $10,109,000, or $.48 per share, compared with net income of $9,226,000 or $.41 per share on a fully diluted basis for the comparable 1989 period. Citizens has made a provision of $17.2 million to its loan loss reserve in the third quarter and $92.2 million for the first nine months of 1990.

Citizens First Bancorp offers a full range of consumer and corporate banking services. Currently, Citizens operates 51 offices serving five counties in New Jersey.

CITIZENS FIRST BANCORP, INC. DIGEST OF EARNINGS

Period ended Sept. 30	Third Quarter	
	1990	1989
Net income	$(10,109,000)	$ 9,226,000
Per Common Share:		
Net income:		
Primary	$ (.48)	$ .43
Fully diluted	$ (.48)(A)	$ .41

Period ended Sept. 30	Nine Months	
	1990	1989
Net income	$(38,067,000)	$27,731,000
Per Common Share:		
Net income:		
Primary	$ (1.79)	$ 1.29
Fully diluted	$ (1.79)(A)	$ 1.22

	Total Assets	Total Deposits
Sept. 30, 1990	$2,970,547,000	$2,743,587,000
Sept. 30, 1989	$2,841,195,000	$2,531,279,000

(A) - Convertible subordinated debentures have no dilutive effect for the period.

CONTACT: Jack M. Blackin, treasurer of Citizen First Bancorp, (201) 670-2455.

-30- 1982

#90291p6873 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Stoneridge Resources, Inc. (NYSE: SRE) announced today that it would not proceed with its previously filed underwritten public offering of convertible senior subordinated debentures under current market conditions.

CONTACT: Douglas M. Kilbourne of Stoneridge Resources, Inc., 313-540-9040

-30- 501

#90291p6875 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DULUTH, MN (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Chromaline Corporation, a Duluth-based manufacturer of photochemical imaging systems for the screen printing industry reported continuing improvement in sales and profits.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales were $999,098, a 47 percent increase over the same period of 1989. For the quarter, earnings were $99,392 or $.11 per share. This compares with $.05 per share for the same quarter of last year.

According to the company's president, Tom Erickson, sales were led by continuing growth in demand for the company's new Magna/Cure line of products which were introduced one year ago. Erickson said that he expects this growth to continue.

Erickson also said that the company has yet to feel any clear effect of the recession. Although some segments of the domestic market are recession prone, said Erickson, the weak dollar will help our export business.

CHROMALINE CORPORATION - STATEMENT OF INCOME

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Sales	$999,098	$677,482	$2,883,698	$2,144,405
Costs, expenses, and other (income):				
Cost of goods sold	428,766	307,189	1,287,529	996,470
Operating expenses	416,605	310,828	1,235,879	985,642
Interest expense (income)	1,835	331	5,728	(2,393)
Rental (income)	(1,500)	(3,650)	(6,145)	(11,400)
Total	845,706	614,698	2,522,991	1,968,319
Income before income taxes	153,392	62,784	360,707	176,086
Federal and state income taxes	54,000	18,300	118,000	52,800
Net income	$99,392	$44,484	$242,707	$123,286
Earnings per share	$.11	$.05	$.27	$.14
Number of shares outstanding	883,676	883,676	883,676	883,676

CONTACT: Thomas L. Erickson of The Chromaline Corporation, (218) 628-2217.

-30- 2297

#90291p6880 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Ryland Group, Inc. (NYSE: RYL) today amended the company's stockholder rights plan.

This plan was initially adopted by the company in December 1986.

The amended stockholder rights plan includes several new provisions designed to give additional protection against abusive takeover tactics and to further insure that all Ryland stockholders receive fair and equal treatment if an attempt is made to gain control of Ryland.

One of the amendments reduces the trigger for the stockholder rights plan to go into effect from 40 percent to 20 percent of the outstanding common stock. The amendment also makes a number of other changes that should enable Ryland's board of directors to administer the stockholder rights plan on a more flexible basis.

"The rights are intended to enable all Ryland stockholders to realize the long-term value of their investment in Ryland," said C.E. Peck, chairman and CEO of The Ryland Group. "The rights are designed to encourage anyone seeking to acquire Ryland to negotiate with the board of directors before making a takeover attempt."

The amended plan is not being adopted in response to any specific effort to gain control of Ryland, and the board of directors is not aware of any such effort. The Ryland Group, Inc., one of the nation's largest homebuilders, has built more than 90,000 homes since it was founded in 1967.

CONTACT: Nancy L. Smith of The Ryland Group, (301) 730-4176.

-30- 1685
#90291p6884 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Norwest Corporation today reported record net income of $71.5 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 37.3 percent increase over the $52.1 million earned in the third quarter of 1989. Net income per common share was 70 cents, compared with 50 cents in the third quarter of 1989, an increase of 40.0 percent. Return on common equity was 19.5 percent and return on assets was 1.08 percent for the third quarter of 1990, compared with 15.5 percent and 0.84 percent, respectively, in the third quarter of 1989.

Norwest's results for prior periods include the results of First Interstate Corporation of Wisconsin (FIWI), which merged with Norwest effective May 1, 1990 and has been accounted for as a pooling of interests. Earnings for the third quarter of 1989 include $13.5 million of one-time FIWI charges.

Lloyd P. Johnson, Norwest's chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Record earnings were achieved due to strong performance from practically all units of the Community Banking Groups, Norwest Financial, the Mortgage company which earned $6.8 million in the quarter, fee based revenue units of the Corporate Bank, credit card, insurance, investment services, and trust. The

Corporate Bank lending units and venture capital were below plan for the quarter, but both are expected to show stronger results in the fourth quarter.

"Many economists feel the nation is heading into a recession or already in the initial stages of one. However, we feel Norwest is especially well positioned to withstand a downturn in the economy. During the third quarter, our non-performing assets increased 6.9 percent to $245.4 million or 1.5 percent of total loans and leases and includes $15 million of loans on which all principle and interest payments are current. Our allowance of $327.1 million, which is 133.3 percent of non-performing assets, and 1.97 percent of loans and leases outstanding, continues to be among the strongest in the industry.

"Nationwide, many other banks have been significantly impacted by commercial real estate losses and loans meeting the regulatory definition of highly leveraged transactions (HLTs). Our exposure in both of these areas is low, even as compared with our peers. At Sept. 30, 1990, Norwest's commercial real estate portfolio of loans to investors, developers or builders (development loans) was $1,195 million, or 7.2 percent of total loans, with over 90 percent located in our eleven-state Midwest banking region. Total non- performing development loans were $86 million, or 7.2 percent of total development loans. HLTs have decreased $116 million, or 33.0 percent, from Dec. 31, 1989 to $235 million at Sept. 30, 1990 and are less than 1.5 percent of total loans," said Johnson.

Norwest Corporation is a $26.7 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking related and specialized financial services through a total of more than 1,290 offices in 47 states and internationally.

CONTACT: (Media) Larry Haeg, 612-667-7043, or (Investor) Robert S. Strickland, 612-667-7919, both of Norwest

-30- 3345

#90291p6888 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Today Standard Federal Bank (NYSE: SFB) reported net income of $9.9 million, or $0.32 per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $9.3 million, or $0.30 per share, for the comparable period in 1989, an increase of six percent.

The third-quarter results brought earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, to $29.5 million, or $0.96 per share, compared to $35.6 million, or $1.15 per share, for the comparable period in 1989.

Pre-tax operating income, which excludes gains and fees recognized from sales of earning assets, totaled $14.6 million and $44.5 million for the three- and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively, compared to only $8.8 million and $42.2 million for the same periods in 1989.

The bank's net interest margin increased 48 basis points to 1.91 percent during the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to the 1.43 percent achieved during the comparable quarter in 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the bank's net interest margin increased 20 basis points to 1.84 percent, compared to 1.64 percent for the same period in 1989.

The improvement in earnings for three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was accomplished despite lower levels of average earning assets and higher costs associated with FIRREA, while the reduction in net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was primarily attributable to the lower level of gains and fees recognized from sales of the bank's originated loans.

Costs associated with FIRREA, which include lower dividends on FHLB stock, higher examination and supervisory fees and higher deposit insurance premiums, reduced the bank's after-tax earnings by $1.1 million and $3.3 million, or approximately ten percent, during the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively.

Single-family loan originations for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $272.9 million, bringing total originations for 1990 to $810.5 million. The volume originated during the first nine months of 1990 represents an increase of approximately 18 percent, when compared to the $688.4 million of single-family mortgage loans originated by Standard during the comparable period in 1989.

Nonperforming assets continued at low levels, representing only 0.38 percent of assets at Sept. 30, 1990. This level of nonperforming assets remained unchanged from Dec. 31, 1989, despite a reduction in assets of $153.3 million.

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NEW MILFORD, NJ (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Polifly Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: PFLY), the holding company for Polifly Savings and Loan Association, today announced a net loss of $699,000 or $.32 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The loss is primarily due to high levels of non-performing assets caused by a continuing deterioration in the New Jersey real estate market. Polifly recorded income of $802,000 or $.37 per share in the comparable period last year.

Polifly has submitted a capital restoration plan to the Office of Thrift Supervision as required by federal regulations and is awaiting response from said office.

Polifly had total assets of $574,076,000, net loans of $389,900,000 and deposits of $410,437,000 at Sept. 30, 1990. Stockholders' equity totalled $24,634,000 or $11.27 per share; tangible equity, net of goodwill and investments in non-includable subsidiaries represented $12,309,000 or $5.63 per share.

CONTACT: Henry S. Becker, vice president and CFO of Polifly Savings, (201) 261-6900.

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DALLAS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Software Inc. (NYSE: SSW) said it commenced today its previously announced exchange offer of additional shares of its $7.20 exchangeable preferred stock and cash for up to 1,500,000 shares of the company's common stock.

Sterling said that for each share of common stock it has offered to exchange 1/8 of a share of preferred stock plus $2.00 cash. The closing prices of the preferred stock and common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on Oct. 17, 1990 were $44.25 and $6.75 per share, respectively.

The preferred stock has cumulative annual dividends of $7.20 per share and a liquidation preference of $48.00 per share. Sterling has the option to exchange a 15-year 15 percent subordinated note for the preferred stock. The exchange offer will expire Nov. 15, 1990, subject to extension.

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TORONTO, ONTARIO (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Bell Canada has signed a two-year contract with Rockwell International (NYSE: ROK) of Canada for new SONET-based intelligent digital cross-connect equipment.

Under the newly executed contract, Bell Canada has initially purchased six units of Rockwell's digital cross-connect equipment. The contract can be extended for a further three year period.

"We believe this will be the first SONET-based cross-connect to be implemented in any multi-node communications network in the world," said David E. Orr, vice president of Rockwell's network Transmission Systems located in Richardson, Texas.

"The equipment will be used in Bell Canada's fiber optic communications network," Orr said. "The Rockwell digital cross-connect will allow Bell Canada

to reroute traffic (DS-3) over alternate facilities when faced with an emergency situation, such as a fiber optic cable cut."

SONET is an acronym for synchronous optical network, a new operating standard recently adopted by the worldwide communications industry for fiber optic telecommunications.

The sale was the result of a team effort involving Rockwell personnel in Richardson, and at Rockwell's Canadian Telecommunications Division headquartered in Georgetown, Ontario, Canada.

Lou Mitrovich, Canadian telecommunications vice president, said all six units or nodes of Rockwell cross-connect equipment have been shipped to Bell Canada.

Rockwell's RDX-33 Digital Cross-Connect system and DXC-2000 Multi-Node Cross-Connect controller enable a telephone company to restore communication links by implementing pre-programmed stored connection maps and thereby dynamically rerouting high bandwidth traffic through alternate facilities.

Mitrovich said, "This can be done in the event of any catastrophic transmission failure, unexpected high demand or calling rate, or in the event of the loss of an entire switching node or cable facility."

Bell Canada will be able to implement network protection in the form of route diversity, a counter rotating ring, and dynamic route restoration-all provided through the inherent capabilities of the Rockwell equipment.

Major features of Rockwell's digital cross-connect system are its high level of software intelligence, high-speed network restoration ability, and its evolving 2,048 port size and SONET capability.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Marriott Hotels, Resorts and Suites today officially opened two resorts in Mexico -- the 450-room Marriott CasaMagna Resort in Cancun and the 433-room Marriott CasaMagna Resort in Puerto Vallarta.

Both properties are the results of a joint partnership between Marriott Corporation (NYSE: MHS) and CEMEX, the fourth-largest cement company in the world and one of Mexico's largest family enterprises. The co-development of the luxury resorts typifies the joint ventures now possible under the liberalized trade and investment policies of Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari.

J.W. Marriott Jr., chairman of the board and president of Marriott Corporation

and Lorenzo Zambrano, chief executive officer of CEMEX, cut ribbons opening each resort in a special "sunrise/sunset" ceremony that began in Cancun and ended with a gala reception in Puerto Vallarta. For the same-day ceremonies, more than 225 invited VIPs were flown from Cancun to Puerto Vallarta via private jet including Pedro Joaquin Coldwell, Mexico's secretary of tourism.

On Wednesday, prior to the grand opening festivities, Marriott and Zambrano met with Salinas in Mexico City to discuss future investment opportunities in Mexico.

Both resorts feature beachfront locations and offer a full range of recreational facilities, dining and entertainment, meeting space and easy access to local attractions.

Set against the lush green mountains of Mexico's west coast, Marriott's CasaMagna Resort in Puerto Vallarta welcomes its guests with a spacious open-air lobby overlooking a large ceramic tiled swimming pool and the Pacific Ocean. Visitors to Marriott's CasaMagna Resort in Cancun will enjoy breathtaking views of the Caribbean Sea and raised pool area showcased from the grand lobby featuring marble-tiled floors, 44-foot-high ceilings and handmade wrought-iron chandeliers.

Guest rooms in Puerto Vallarta and Cancun are appointed with tile floors, ceiling fans, balconies, servi-bars, TVs with cable stations, hair dryers and in-room safety-deposit boxes. In addition, sophisticated engineering systems for water purification and advanced refrigeration equipment ensure the highest health standards.

The "CasaMagna" brand (Grand House) will be carried only by those properties developed by Marriott and CEMEX.

Marriott Corporation currently operates 622 hotels worldwide with more than 149,000 guest rooms. The company's Marriott Hotels, Resorts and Suites division includes 222 full-service properties in the United States, Canada, Central America, the Caribbean, Mexico, Western and Eastern Europe, Far East and the Middle East.

CEMEX, founded in 1906, is the largest producer of cement in the Western Hemisphere.

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Owens & Minor, Inc. (NYSE: OMI)

announced today its third quarter and nine month results. For the third quarter ended September 30, 1990, sales were a record $310.0 million, up 18.7 percent from $261.3 million during the third quarter of 1989. Earnings for the three-month period were $2.5 million as compared to $1.3 million for 1989, an increase of 85.7 percent. Net income per share for the third quarter was $.29 as compared to $.16 for the same period in 1989, an increase of 81.3 percent.

Sales for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 were a record $903.3 million, an increase of 33.7 percent from the $675.8 million level for the same period in 1989. Earnings for the nine-month period were $6.0 million as compared to $2.2 million for the same period in 1989, an increase of 167.5 percent. Net income per share for the nine-month period was $.70 as compared to $.27 for the same nine months in 1989, an increase of 159.3 percent. The 1989 nine-month results included a $2.5 million pretax, or a $.17 per share loss from the devaluation of foreign gloves which was recorded in the first half of the year.

According to G. Gilmer Minor, III, President and CEO: "Our third quarter results are a continuation of the steady earnings improvement we have experienced throughout the year. We are working hard to balance the relationship between sales growth, margin management, expense control and asset management. This is being accomplished through the fundamental emphasis on better internal controls and disciplines, and the teamwork of all of our employees. This direction should allow us to continue to build value in our future.

The recently announced sale of our Harbor Medical subsidiary to Sterile Concepts, Inc. is timely. We will convert an investment that has not been profitable into a positive distribution agreement with the second largest sterile tray packager, thereby allowing us to solidify our position in this important growing segment of the health-care industry. The transaction should be completed by the end of the year."

Owens & Minor, Inc. is a wholesale distributor of medical and surgical supplies, pharmaceuticals and other related products. Through its Vanguard Labs subsidiary, the Company also packages generic and brand name pharmaceuticals.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Silicon Graphics Inc. (NYSE: SGI) today reported revenues totaling $115.8 million for the first quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, a 34 percent increase over the comparable quarter a year

earlier.

Net income was $9.6 million for the quarter compared with net income of $5.2 million in the like period for the prior fiscal year, an increase of 84 percent. Earnings per share increased to $.44 per share from $.28 per share (fully diluted), a 57 percent increase.

Edward R. McCracken, Silicon Graphics' president and CEO commented, "We are pleased with our first quarter's results, particularly in light of the normal seasonal slowdown in the summer quarter and the unsettled state of the economy. The company's sustained emphasis on financial execution resulted in a reduction in operating expenses from fourth quarter's levels and in positive cash flow for the quarter," McCracken added.

During the quarter, Silicon Graphics announced the availability of several software products intended to extend the application of its systems in the corporate environment. The company introduced NetVisualyzer(TM), a set of visual network monitoring and diagnostic tools for multivendor computing environments.

The company also jointly announced several software packages including database, spreadsheet and desktop productivity packages, developed by third party software developers.

"Leadership in the visual processing market not only requires that we have the best graphics technology and the broadest product line, but also a complete set of productivity tools. We believe that this market is one of the fastest growing computer industry segments," McCracken concluded.

Silicon Graphics, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of high-performance graphics systems, servers and software for three-dimensional distributed visual processing applications.

The company's products, which range from advanced project supercomputers to low-end desktop models, are used by engineers, scientists and creative professionals in design, analysis, manufacturing and simulation. The company's stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SGI. Silicon Graphics is a registered trademark and NetVisualyzer is a trademark of Silicon Graphics Inc.

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WEST BEND, WI (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Ziegler Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: ZEGL) a financial services holding company, announced today a decrease in

earnings for the third quarter of 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 total revenues were $7,353,000 compared with $7,825,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter was $59,000 compared with net income of $437,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share in the third quarter were 3 cents compared to 16 cents in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, total revenue and net income were $24,101,000 and $1,237,000, respectively, compared to $24,177,000 and $1,717,000 in 1989. Earnings per share in the first nine months of 1990 were 47 cents versus 64 cents in the same period last year. As pointed out in the second quarter shareholders report, the comparable period in 1989 was favorably impacted by a non-recurring insurance settlement of $500,000 recorded in the second quarter of 1989.

Peter D. Ziegler, president and chief executive officer, said, "The third quarter was not a good quarter for the company's largest subsidiary, B.C. Ziegler and Company. The fixed income markets were negatively impacted by the Middle East conflict in August. While this made efficient distribution of underwritten product difficult, the primary reason for the small operating loss at B.C. Ziegler and Company was the shortage of new underwritings. This will change in the fourth quarter with more underwritings coming to market."

The four other operating subsidiaries of The Ziegler Company, Inc. were profitable in the third quarter. Operating results in the fourth quarter should be much improved over the third quarter said Ziegler.

CONTACT: P.D. Ziegler, president and chief executive officer
of The Ziegler Company, Inc., 414-334-5521

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OKLAHOMA CITY (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Palo Duro Production Co., an Oklahoma City-based independent, today announced that its two year fight to foreclose various oil and gas properties in Oklahoma culminated Wednesday in a judgment of foreclosure against Unit Petroleum Co., Unit Drilling and Exploration Co., the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., Senco Development Co. Inc. and Rambler Oil Co. Both Unit companies are subsidiaries of Tulsa-based, Unit Corp., a publicly-held company listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol UNT.

The total value of Palo Duro's judgments, including pre and post judgment interest and accounting for proceeds could well exceed five million dollars. The judgments affected over 150 producing wells in Oklahoma, Texas and Arkansas. The Oklahoma action encompassed notes and mortgages exceeding 3.4 million dollars in value. Pre-judgment interest awarded on the notes

exceeded half a million dollars.

Unit Petroleum Co., Unit Drilling and Exploration Co., Rambler Oil Co. and other parties were also ordered to account to Palo Duro for past production on certain wells and mortgaged property going back to 1979. Unit had about 50 wells involved in the lawsuit, and has been ordered to account for production received from the wells since 1985.

Joe Vaughan, Palo Duro president, excited by the outcome, stated, "This was a highly contested lawsuit involving millions of dollars against some real heavyweights. For that reason, it was a major victory for Palo Duro. This was a tremendous victory and will enable us to maximize our potential in the changing oil and gas environment of the 1990s. We are ecstatic!"

CONTACT: H. Blanton Brown, Palo Duro Counsel, 405-232-8523; or Bradley D. Brickell, Esq., Mahaffey & Gore, P.C., Attorney for Palo Duro Company, 405-236-0478; or Kenneth Jones, Esq., Jones, Blaney & Williams, Attorney for FDIC, 405-235-8445; or Richard H. Foster, Esq., Doerner, Stuart, Saunders, Daniels, Anderson, Attorney for Unit, 918-582-1211; or Mark Schell, Esq., General Counsel for Unit, 918-493-7700

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#90291p6909 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Genesee Corporation (NASDAQ: GENBB) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 30 cents per share, payable Jan. 2, 1991, to class A and class B shareholders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

The board of directors also elected the following officers for Genesee Corporation and its subsidiary, the Genesee Brewing Company, Inc.: John L. Wehle, chairman of the board; John L. Wehle, Jr., president and chief executive officer; Robert N. Latella, executive vice president and chief operating officer; William A. Neilson, vice president-human resources; William J. Herbert, vice president and controller; Mark W. Leunig, secretary; and Edward J. Rompala, treasurer.

The board also announced the election of the following additional officers for the Genesee Brewing Company, Inc.: Charles S. Wehle, executive vice president-sales and marketing; John D. Reifenrath, senior vice president-marketing; Hugh T. Crossin, vice president- advertising; J. Matt Dennee, vice president-materials; Gary C. Geminn, vice president-production; Donald A. York, vice president-sales; David A. Binsack, assistant vice president-field sales; Todd M. Brady, assistant vice president-merchandising; Charles B. Carson, assistant vice president-marketing administration; John L. Genier, assistant vice president-sales administration; Mark W. Holdren, assistant vice president-marketing promotions; and H. Donald Miller, assistant

vice president-sales.

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#90291p6910 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALPARAISO, IN (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Indiana Federal Corp. (NASDAQ: IFSL) today authorized the repurchase of up to five percent, or approximately 130,000 shares, of Indiana Federal's common stock, from time to time, in the open market, as market conditions permit.

President Peter R. Candela said the board approved the repurchase program because, "It still believes that the true value of Indiana Federal's stock is not reflected in the stock price due to negative publicity concerning the thrift industry, therefore making the repurchase of stock a prudent investment by Indiana Federal." On Oct. 11, 1990, the corporation completed the repurchase of five percent of its shares which it announced back in April of this year.

The board also declared a quarterly dividend of ten cents per share to be paid Nov. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 15, 1990. The dividend amount is unchanged from the previous quarter.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, Indiana Federal had 2,671,200 shares outstanding. Indiana Federal, a wholly owned subsidiary of Indiana Federal Corp., is the fourth-largest thrift headquartered in Indiana and has branches in Valparaiso, Portage, Crown Point, Merrillville, Chesterton, Rensselaer and Knox and loan production offices in Highland, Fort Wayne and South Bend.

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DALLAS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - American Petrofina Inc.'s (AMEX: APIA) third quarter net earnings were significantly lower than anticipated due to the turmoil in international crude oil markets caused by hostilities in the Middle East, according to FINA President and Chief Executive Officer Ron W. Haddock.

Net earnings for the quarter that ended Sept. 30 were $26.5 million, a 50.8 percent decrease from the record earnings reported in this years's second quarter, but a 75.7 percent increase compared with the same period last year when earnings were weak due to a refinery unit maintenance shutdown.

Net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $106.5 million, essentially flat with the same period last year when a nonrecurring profit of $23 million was recorded in the first quarter of 1989 from the adjustment to

deferred taxes associated with the Financial Accounting Standard Board's Statement 96.

Haddock said, "FINA's third quarter earnings were strong during the month of July, but began to deteriorate after the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent, precipitous rise in crude oil prices.

"Upstream results in the third quarter were up compared with the corresponding period last year due to the substantial increase in crude oil prices and a small increase in oil production volumes, which were only partially offset by higher operating expenses.

"Downstream results were up substantially due to an increase in refining throughput and higher refining margins compared with a year ago, when profitability was low because a refinery unit was down for maintenance. However, after a very strong July, crude oil prices rose much more than product prices, and substantial profits in Refining and Marketing in July turned into losses during August and September.

"In Chemicals, third quarter results were up compared with the same period last year due to higher volumes and improved margins."

Sales and other operating revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $1.1 billion, a 48.2 percent increase compared with the same period last year. The increase was due mainly to higher crude oil and product prices during August and September.

Sales and other operating revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $2.8 billion, a 22.2 percent increase compared with the same period last year.

American Petrofina, Incorporated (AMEX: APIA), through its main operating subsidiary, Fina Oil and Chemical Co., engages in crude oil and natural gas exploration, production, and marketing; petroleum products refining, transportation, and marketing; and chemicals manufacturing and marketing. Organized in 1956, it is part of an international group of companies affiliated with Petrofina S.A., which is headquartered in Brussels, Belgium.

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#90291p6917 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEMPHIS, TN (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Express Corporation (NYSE: FDX) announced today that average daily volume of express packages and documents for September 1990 increased 10 percent over September 1989.

FEDERAL EXPRESS CORPORATION

Fiscal Year-to-Date

	September		(Three months)	
	1990	1989	1991	1990
Total volume (000)	25,509	24,428	109,696	99,139
Operating weekdays	19	29	84	85
Daily volume	1,342,579	1,221,400	1,305,905	1,166,341
Percent change	9.9		12.0	

The company also announced that heavyweight shipments for the month totaled 69.2 million pounds.

CONTACT: Armand Schneider, 901-395-3464, or Ed Clark, 901-395-3468, both of Federal Express

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#90291p6919 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

OGDEN, UTAH (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Thiokol Corp. (NYSE: TKC) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend 7 1/2 cents per common share. This dividend is payable Dec. 10, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business Nov. 30, 1990.

Thiokol is a $1.2 billion Utah-based corporation with approximately 11,500 employees at 11 major facilities nationwide. Thiokol is a leader in a broad range of research, high technology, manufacturing and support services. The company is active in areas of solid propulsion systems, ordnance and composite products for the space and defense industries.

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STURBRIDGE, MA. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - SpecTran Corporation (NASDAQ: SPTR) today reported a continuation of profitable results for its third quarter and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 increased 47.4 percent to $2,950,238 compared with revenues of $2,002,006 for the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the 1990 third quarter of $304,969, or $.07 per share, compared with a net loss of $58,942 ($.01 per share) for the same period in 1989.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 increased 30.8 percent to $7,199,826 compared with revenues of $5,503,300 for the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the 1990 nine month period of $459,599, or $.10 per share, compared with a net loss of $439,246 ($.10 per share) for the same period last year.

Commenting on the results, SpecTran's President and Chief Executive Officer,

Raymond E. Jaeger said, "The company has now sustained profitable results for four consecutive quarters. The net income of $304,969 earned during the 1990 third quarter was the highest of the four quarters, and enabled the company to return to positive cash flow from operations for the first nine months of 1990 despite the payment during that period of approximately $456,000 for settlement costs and legal expenses incurred in connection with the company's class action litigation. The recently announced conclusion to the class action litigation and the million dollar order, approximately half of which will be shipped in this year's fourth quarter, strongly position the company to achieve its stated goals of positive cash flow from operations for the entire year, increasing revenues over the prior year and a return to annual profitability."

SpecTran Corporation develops, manufactures and markets glass optical fibers.

SPECTRAN CORPORATION

Periods Ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$2,950,238	$2,002,006	$7,199,826	$5,503,300
Net income (loss)	304,969	(58,942)	459,599	(439,246)
Average shares outstanding	4,647,656	4,595,026	4,646,253	4,594,109
Net income (loss) per share	$.07	$(.01)	$.10	$(.10)

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#90291p6928 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SYRACUSE, NY (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Community Bank System, Inc. (CBSI), a Dewitt-based multi-bank holding company with assets in excess of $635 million, has announced that net income for third quarter 1990 was $669,000, off 45.3 percent from the comparable period last year; earnings per share was $.25, down 44.4 percent from a year earlier. For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $1.973 million and earnings per share was $.73; these results are off 42.8 percent and 41.1 percent, respectively, from the first three quarters of last year.

Edwin J. Lyons, president and chief executive officer, stated that the principal reasons for the depressed earnings were the continued building of the company's loan loss reserves to an all-time high and operating income falling slightly without a commensurate reduction in overhead. Loan loss reserves were increased by more than $260,000 during the quarter to .93 percent of total loans, net of unearned discount; for the nine months, the loan loss provision exceeded net charge-offs by 151 percent.

Lyons went on to say that a change in organizational structure has recently

been initiated which will significantly reduce overhead expense and improve management control. The first step of this major structural change, in which the company's five independent banking affiliates will be consolidated into a single bank, was taken in September when the company incurred a $169,000 pre-tax charge to close its four-year-old mortgage banking affiliate, Community Financial Services, Inc. The operation had consistently been only marginally profitable, experiencing further deterioration this year due to industry-wide overcapacity and a slowdown in mortgage originations.

Company-wide loan loss reserves presently cover 88 percent of non- performing loans, defined as credits which are non-accruing or delinquent 90 days or more. With the exception of the Exchange National Bank affiliate, non-performing loans have been trending downward to a level now 33 percent below a year ago. This improvement has been more than offset by a weakening of several commercial loan credits at Exchange, where non-performers rose by $2.0 million during the third quarter. Management continues to carefully monitor the viability of these borrowers, and will set aside additional reserves as necessary.

Earning assets reached $581 million on average for the quarter, up a strong 4.2 percent from the preceding quarter. The greatest portion of this increase was fueled by time deposit growth in the Exchange and St. Lawrence affiliate bank markets. With the exception of expanded borrowing under home equity lines of credit, loan demand continues to soften owing to a lackluster economy throughout our service area. As a result, core deposit growth is being placed at attractive taxable yields in the affiliate investment portfolios.

A primary focus of CBSI during the remainder of the year is to develop a detailed implementation plan for converting, both legally and operationally, to a single bank organizational structure, a process to be completed in phases over the next 12-15 months. Non-recurring expenses necessary to accomplish this restructuring, in addition to those incurred during the third quarter, will be determined within the next 90 days; no modification in dividend policy is planned.

CBSI presently has five commercial banking affiliates and a data processing subsidiary. The five banking affiliates are: Community National Bank, headquartered in Addison, with four branches in Steuben County: The Exchange National Bank, located in Olean, with two branches in Cattaraugus County; Horizon Bank, N.A., having its principal office in Waterloo, with five branches in the Finger Lakes region; The Nichols National Bank, located in Nichols; and The St. Lawrence National Bank, headquartered in Canton, which operates 17 branches throughout northern New York and a representative office in Ottawa, Canada. Based in Syracuse, the data processing subsidiary, Northeastern Computer Services, Inc., provides services to the affiliate banks and to other financial institutions in upstate and central New York.

COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEM, INC.

Summary of Operations
(Dollars in thousands)

Three months ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	Change Amount	Change Percent
Net interest income	$6,902	$6,557	$345	5.3
Loan loss provision	565	399	166	41.6
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	6,337	6,158	179	2.9
Other income	988	1,345	(357)	(26.5)
Other expense	6,345	5,960	385	6.5
Income before income tax	980	1,543	(563)	(36.5)
Income tax	311	321	(10)	(3.1)
Net income	669	1,222	(553)	(45.3)
Return on assets	0.42 pct.	0.83 pct.	(0.41)pct. pts.	--
Return on equity	5.70 pct.	10.63 pct.	(4.93)pct. pts.	--
Wtd. avg. com. shares	2,703,385	2,721,371	(17,986)	(0.7)
Earnings per share	$0.25	$0.45	$(0.20)	(44.4)
Cash dividends declared per common share	0.19	0.19	--	--
Book value: Total	17.32	16.94	0.38	2.2
Tangible	16.70	16.59	0.11	0.7

Nine months ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	Change Amount	Change Percent
Net interest income	$20,274	$19,363	$911	4.7
Loan loss provision	1,870	959	911	95.0
Net interest income after prov. for loan losses	18,404	18,404	--	--
Other income	2,942	3,465	(523)	(15.1)
Other expense	18,651	17,350	1,301	7.5
Income before income tax	2,695	4,519	(1,824)	(40.4)
Income tax	722	1,069	(347)	(32.5)
Net income	1,973	3,450	(1,477)	(42.8)
Return on assets	0.44 pct.	0.81 pct.	(0.37)pct. pts.	--
Return on equity	5.67 pct.	10.02 pct.	(4.35)pct. pts.	--
Wtd. avg. com. shares	2,706,711	2,783,699	(76,988)	(2.8)
Earnings per share	$0.73	$1.24	$(0.51)	(41.1)
Cash dividends declared per common share	0.57	0.57	--	--
Book value: Total	17.32	16.94	0.38	2.2
Tangible	16.70	16.59	0.11	0.7

		Change to Sept. 30, 1990 Amount	Change to Sept. 30, 1990 Percent
Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990	$637,085	--	--
Total assets at Dec. 31, 1989	586,085	51,000	8.7
Total assets at Sept. 30, 1989	590,278	46,807	7.9

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Cypress Fund Inc. (AMEX: WJR) today declared a special distribution to shareholders, consisting of the 816,000 shares of Frisch's Restaurants, Inc. currently held in Cypress Fund's portfolio. The shares of Frisch's will be distributed, at the rate of 0.1313 shares of Frisch's for each share of Cypress Fund, on a payment date of Oct. 30, 1990, to fund shareholders of record as of the close of business on Oct. 26, 1990.

Fractional shares of Frisch's will not be paid in the special distribution and shareholders will receive cash in lieu of fractional shares, based on the closing price of Frisch's over the American Stock Exchange on the record date. It is expected that a substantial portion of the special distribution will represent a return of capital to Cypress Fund's shareholders.

Joyce N. Fensterstock, chairman and president of Cypress Fund, said: "The Frisch's holding represents the fund's most concentrated securities position and represents approximately 15 percent of the Frisch's shares outstanding. Making this special distribution to our shareholders will provide greater diversification of the fund and will preserve its status as a pass-through tax entity, thereby giving the board more flexibility in determining future actions to realize net asset value for the fund's shareholders."

Cypress Fund had net assets before declaration of the special distribution of approximately $45.8 million; the Frisch's shares to be distributed have a current market value of approximately $14.3 million.

As previously announced, on Sept. 18, 1990, the fund's board of directors requested the fund's investment adviser, Mitchell Hutchins Asset Management Inc., to consider all available options to allow shareholders to realize the net asset value of fund shares, and to report its recommendations to the board at its next meeting. The board intends to consider the available options, including or converting the fund into or merging it with an open-end fund or liquidating (with or without distributions in kind to fund shareholders), and to present a proposal as necessary to the fund's shareholders for consideration at the fund's next annual meeting in spring of 1991 or an earlier special meeting.

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DEDHAM, MA. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Multibank Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: MLTF) reported a net operating loss for the three month period ended Sept. 30, of $3,480,000, or 38 cents per share, compared to earnings of $3,276,000, or 35 cents per share, during the same period last year. As forecast in the company's news release of Sept. 25, third quarter performance showed improvement over second quarter results, when a net operating loss of $11,912,000 was recorded.

Results for the first nine months of 1990 showed a net operating loss of $12,636,000, or $1.38 per share, compared to earnings of $17,334,000, or $1.86 per share, realized in the first nine months of 1989.

The loss resulted primarily from additions to the provision for possible credit losses made necessary by the continuing softness in the regional economy. During the quarter, Multibank added $12,657,000 to its provision, bringing the total provision to $50,791,000 for the first nine months of the year.

At quarter-end, the company's non-performing assets totalled $155,037,000, or 6.99 percent of total loans and leases, compared to $111,460,000, or 4.89 percent at June 30. The allowance for possible credit losses was $50,967,000 at Sept. 30, or 33 percent of non- performing assets.

The third quarter 1990 results also include a write down of $2,494,000 to the company's investment portfolio reflecting the devaluation of marketable equity securities.

During the second and third quarters, five of the company's six banks and the holding company were examined by various regulatory authorities. Although not finalized, it is believed that each of these examinations may result in some form of understanding or agreement.

Commenting on the company's performance, Chairman David B. Lynch said, "We continue to operate in extremely difficult economic conditions. While we incurred a loss for the quarter, as we had projected earlier, results showed an improvement over the second quarter of the year. Going forward, we hope to see a return to profitability during the fourth quarter."

Multibank Financial Corporation is a registered bank holding company with six Massachusetts banks and several related financial service companies. The companies stock is traded on the over-the- counter market and is listed and quoted through the NASDAQ National Market System (NMS) under the symbol of MLTF. Trading activity for the company's stock is reported in the NASDAQ National Market stock table appearing in leading newspapers. The newspaper listed abbreviation is Multbk.

MULTIBANK FINANCIAL CORPORATION

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended Setpember 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net income	$(3,480,000)	$3,276,000	$(12,636,000)	$17,334,000
Per share earnings	(38 cents)	35 cents	$(1.38)	$1.86
Average number of shares outstanding	9,167,006	9,350,591	9,166,064	9,323,664

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DALLAS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Enserch Exploration Partners Ltd. (NYSE: EP) announced today a regular quarterly cash distribution to unitholders of $.075 per unit, payable on Jan.7, 1991, to unitholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

Enserch Exploration Partners, Ltd. a Texas limited partnership, conducts substantially all of the domestic oil and gas operations of ENSERCH Corp. (NYSE - ENS).

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ATLANTA, (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank South (NYSE: BKS) today reported a third quarter loss of $13.9 million, or 41 cents per share, compared to earnings of $12.2 million, or 36 cents per share during the third quarter of 1989.

Third quarter performance reflects a $46.7 million provision to the loan loss reserve, compared to $34.3 million in the second quarter of 1990 and $3.8 million during the third quarter of 1989. The third quarter 1990 provision increases the reserve for loan losses to $90.3 million, or 2.65 percent of total loans, compared to $57.7 million or 1.66 percent at the end of the second quarter.

"For the consecutive quarter our performance has been impacted by a large provision to the loan loss reserve," said Robert P. Guyton, chairman and chief executive officer. "This is disappointing as we are accustomed to much better results. However, in this regulatory and economic environment we are taking a very conservative approach to the rating of our credits, and earnings inevitably are being affected. We want to take our medicine now, and move forward."

During the second quarter Bank South provided $34.3 million to its loan loss reserve after an intensive internal and regulatory review of the bank's commercial real estate portfolio. During the third quarter, the bank's internal analysis of its other commercial loans resulted in the $46.7 million provision.

"We have reviewed carefully both our commercial real estate and commercial loan portfolios in detail, and believe that we have taken the appropriate action," Guyton said. "The economy continues to weaken, however, and prudence will require that our provisions continue to reflect economic conditions."

Guyton noted that, while earnings have been affected by large loan loss reserve provisions, core earnings power has continued to grow. Pre-tax income before provisions for loan losses and writedowns and reserves on foreclosed properties rose 15 percent to $17.4 million during the quarter. Year-to-date, this figure has increased 19 percent compared to the first nine months of 1989. Also, primary and tangible primary capital ratios remained strong at 8.04 percent and 7.39 percent, respectively.

Third quarter results reflect a more vigorous approach for evaluating credits and establishing loan loss provisions. This method is consistent with the cautious approach of federal regulators in the weakening economy. Consequently, earnings were impacted during the quarter as loans were downgraded and the reserve was increased.

Including the effects of additional provisions to the loan loss reserve, the net loss for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $10. 8 million, or 32 cents per share, compared to net income of $33.5 million, or 99 cents per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Among other third quarter results, non-performing assets increased $47 million, to $168 million. Non-performing assets at the end of the third quarter represented 4.87 percent of total loans and other real estate owned, compared to 3.45 percent for the second quarter of 1990 and 1.42 percent for the third quarter of 1989.

Non-accural and renegotiated loans totaled $117.5 million at the end of the third quarter, compared to $75.6 million at the end of the second quarter. Loans current in both principal and interest included in non-accrual loans totaled $19.1 million at the end of the third quarter. Other real estate owned (OREO) increased to $50. 6 million at the end of the third quarter from $45.9 million at the end of the second quarter.

Charge-offs for the quarter totaled $14 million, or .41 percent of total average loans, compared with $17.8 million, or .51 percent of total average loans for the second quarter of 1990 and $4 million, or .12 percent during the third quarter of 1989.

Also affecting earnings were several non-recurring expenses totaling $7.2 million, consisting primarily of the write-off of capitalized system development costs. Additionally, in a conservative step recognizing the weak real estate market, additional reserves were provided against potential losses related to foreclosed properties. As a result, the properties are being carried at a net book value of 90 percent of current appraised value. These non-recurring charges were partially offset by a $4 million gain from the retirement of subordinated debt.

Efforts at controlling expenses through the company's ongoing restructuring effort have been successful. In fact, non- interest expenses during the first nine months of 1990 have decreased by 2 percent, excluding non-recurring charges. The restructuring program, begun during 1989, has resulted in a smaller workforce, consolidation of operations, and innovative new ways of doing business such as the outsourcing of operations and systems software. These are in addition to a number of smaller expense control programs thorughout the company, including a voluntary salary freeze by the corporation's executive officers.

"We are having success in our efforts to control expenses, and realize these efforts must be ongoing and a part of our corporate culture," Guyton said. "As we continue this program we are also focusing on sales and marketing to develop good new business, and on quality service to take care of our customers.

"In this economic environment, we also recognize that nothing is more important than credit quality," Guyton said, adding that a number of actions are being taken to enhance credit quality safeguards in light of the weakening economy.

Among those actions, the bank has agreed informally with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) to assess and improve credit procedures. A committee of the board of directors and a consultant are working with management on this program, and a restructuring of the bank's credit organization is expected to result.

These actions are in addition to programs initiated previously, including an intensive review of the bank's commercial loans, and conservative reserving based on those reviews. Also, a group of experienced lending officers have been designated to focus on large problem loans, allowing other lending officers to focus their time on servicing customers and developing new business.

In addition to today's other announcements, Bank South said that its board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 13 cents per share, payable Jan. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 14.

Bank South Corp. is a $5.3 billion, multi-bank holding company with 140

offices through Georgia and the Florida panhandle.

BANK SOUTH CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Selected Financial Information (Unaudited)

	3 mos. ended 9/30/90	9/30/89	Pct. chg.	Year-to-date 9/30/90	9/30/89	Pct. chg.
Income Statement Summary (in thousands):						
Int. income	$124,618	$122,300	2	$372,275	$359,369	4
Int. expense	80,005	77,390	3	232,238	226,108	3
Net int. inc.	44,613	44,910	(1)	140,037	133,261	5
Net Int. inc.	48,930	49,197	(1)	152,936	146,207	5
Prov. for loan losses	46,723	3,821	1,123	87,238	12,323	608
Other income	24,034	20,450	18	63,690	58,174	9
Other expense	53,088	46,425	14	143,868	138,944	4
(Loss) inc. bef. inc. taxes	(31,164)	15,114	(306)	(27,379)	40,168	(168)
Inc. tax (benefit) expense	(17,290)	2,874	(702)	(16,591)	6,713	(347)
Net (loss) inc.	$(13,874)	$12,240	(213)	$(10,788)	$33,455	(132)
(Loss) Earnings Per Share of Common Stock						
Net (loss) inc.	$(0.41)	$0.36	(214)	$(0.32)	$0.99	(132)
Selected Statistical Information: Ret. on avg. assets	(1.02)pct.	0.98 pct.		(0.27)pct.	0.92 pct.	
Ret. on avg. equity	(17.60)pct.	15.84 pct.		(4.47)pct.	14.99 pct.	
Net interest margin	4.01 pct.	4.42 pct.		4.30 pct.	4.51 pct.	
Loan loss reserve/total loans	2.65 pct.	1.16 pct		2.65 pct.	1.18 pct.	
Book value per share	$8.77	$9.18		$8.77	$9.16	
Cash divs. declared per shr.	$0.13	$0.12		$0.38	$0.35	
Weighted avg. shares outstanding	34,118,391	33,960,395		34,126,758	33,880,805	
Common shares oustanding	34,154,337	33,977,894		34,154,337	33,977,894	

	Year-to-date at 9/30 1990	1989	Pct. chg.	Balance at 9/30 1990	1989	Pct. chg.
Balance Sheet Summary (in millions): Cash and due from banks	$ 349.9	$ 356.8	(2)	$ 301.2	$ 406.5	(26)
Federal funds sold, SPUAR and other						

short-term investments	49.4	32.0	54	51.9	30.0	73
Total invstmt. and trading account securities	1,272.0	964.2	32	1,363.0	1,080.4	26
Loans, net of unearned inc.	3,426.1	3,316.5	3	3,401.2	3,347.9	2
Allow. for loan & lease losses	(49.1)	(38.4)	28	(90.3)	(38.7)	133
Other assets	251.6	223.7	12	263.0	237.5	11
Total assets	$5,299.9	$4,854.8	9	$5,290.0	$5,063.6	4
Noninterest bearing dep.	$ 785.9	$ 805.7	(2)	$ 797.3	$ 834.0	(4)
Interest bearing deposits	3,007.9	2,855.2	5	2,982.5	2,871.6	4
Total deposits	3,793.8	3,660.9	4	3,779.8	3,705.6	2
Short-term borrowings	1,018.2	738.7	38	1,087.4	880.4	24
Long-term borrowings	77.0	81.7	(6)	63.8	82.0	(22)
Other liabilities	88.4	75.2	18	59.6	84.4	(29)
Stockholders' equity	322.5	298.3	8	299.4	311.2	(4)
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$5,299.9	$4,854.8	9	$5,290.0	$5,063.6	4

BANK SOUTH CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Allowance for Loan Losses
(Dollars in thousands)

1989	1st qtr.	2nd qtr.	3rd qtr.	4th qtr.	YTD 12/31/89
Beginning balance	$37,385	$37,334	$38,877	$38,679	$37,385
Reduction due to sale of bank subsidiary	0	0	0	(283)	(283)
Provision for loan losses	4,181	4,321	3,821	8,048	20,389
Net loan charge offs	(4,232)	(2,778)	(4,019)	(7,418)	(18,447)
Ending balance	$37,334	$38,877	$38,679	$39,024	$39,024
Non-accrual loans	$38,959	$38,259	$24,678	$34,794	
Renegotiated loans	3,263	3,251	5,671	10,586	
Other real estate	9,388	14,069	17,319	17,292	
Total non-performing assets	$51,610	$55,579	$47,668	$62,672	
Loans 90 days or more past due	$15,683	$13,566	$29,363	$17,533	
Allowance for loan					

losses as a percent of total loans at end of period	1.12 pct.	1.16 pct.	1.16 pct.	1.18 pct.	
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of non-performing loans at end of period	88.42 pct.	93.66 pct.	127.45 pct.	85.99 pct.	
Net loan charge-offs as a percent of avg. loans outstanding during period	0.13 pct.	0.08 pct.	0.12 pct.	0.22 pct.	0.55 pct.
Non-performing assets as a percent of total loans and other real estate at end of period	1.55 pct.	1.55 pct.	1.42 pct.	1.88 pct.	
Loans 90 days or more past due as a percent of total loans at end of period	0.47 pct.	0.40 pct.	0.88 pct.	0.53 pct.	

1990	1st qtr.	2nd qtr.	3rd qtr.	YTD 9/30/90
Beginning balance	$39,024	$41,198	$57,700	$39,024
Reduction due to sale of bank subsidiary	0	0	0	0
Provision for loan losses	6,228	34,289	46,723	87,238
Net loan charge offs	(4,052)	(17,787)	(14,158)	(35,997)
Ending balance	$41,198	$57,700	$90,265	$90,265
Non-accrual loans	$48,781	$70,683	$112,577	
Renegotiated loans	10,352	4,916	4,892	
Other real estate	19,406	45,852	50,630	
Total non-performing assets	$78,539	$121,451	$168,099	
Loans 90 days or more past due	$15,171	$18,470	$18,208	
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of total loans at end of period	1.19 pct.	1.66 pct.	2.65 pct.	
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of non-performing loans at end of period	69.67 pct.	76.32 pct.	76.84 pct.	

Net loan charge-offs as a percent of avg. loans outstanding during period	0.12 pct.	0.51 pct.	0.42 pct.	1.05 pct.
Non-performing assets as a percent of total loans and other real estate at end of period	2.26 pct.	3.45 pct.	4.87 pct.	
Loans 90 days or more past due as a percent of total loans at end of period	0.44 pct.	0.53 pct.	0.54 pct.	

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Consistent with the previous press release James Madison Limited today reported a third quarter 1990 net loss of $16 million, or $1.61 per share.

This figure represents a decrease from net income of $786,000, or 7 cents per share, reported in the prior quarter and $951,000, or 9 cents per share, recorded in the corresponding quarter of 1989. Events adversely affecting current quarter earnings included a continued rise in non-performing assets, an increase in the loan loss provision, a loss on other real estate owned, and certain write-offs resulting from a restructuring of the company's subsidiaries.

K. Donald Menefee, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: "JML owns community banks that both accept deposits from the community and invest back into the community. Therefore, as the community has suffered due to the weakened real estate market, so has JML. We continue to manage our assets aggressively based on the most current and prudent assessments of our loan portfolios. JML is fortunate to be well capitalized with a primary capital ratio in excess of 8 percent and, under the more stringent 1992 standards, risk-based primary capital of 9.8 percent."

The accompanying table sets forth information with regard to credit quality. JML has experienced an increase in non-performing assets from $25 million to $37 million, paralleling the weakening economy and commercial real estate market. In the current quarter, non-accrual loans also increased from $10 million to $27 million, while restructured loans decreased from $10 million to $5 million, and other real estate owned was unchanged at $5 million.

Consistent with prior disclosures and the continued uncertainty as to the

future performance of the commercial real estate market, the company increased the provision for loan losses. The provision for loan losses in the third quarter was $18 million, compared to a provision for loan losses of $2.5 million in the prior quarter and $655,000 in the same quarter a year ago.

James Madison Limited is a $900 million holding company located in Washington.

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IRVINE, CA. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Gradco Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: GRCO) announced today that the results of the shareholder vote have now been certified by Corporation Trust Company and that the following five directors have been elected: Martin E. Tash, Harland L. Mischler, Bernard Bressler, Thomas J. O'Keefe and John E. Rehfeld. The directors will be formally installed at a board meeting to be held at the company offices in Irvine on Friday, Oct. 19, 1990.

Gradco is the world's leading independent supplier of sorters, sheet feeders and other paper handling devices to the office automation market.

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MIAMI (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - NVF Company (PSE) announced today that its Annual Meeting of Stockholders has been scheduled to be held on Dec. 28, 1990 and that Nov. 23, 1990 has been fixed as the record date for such meeting.

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MIAMI (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Salem Corporation (AMEX: SBS) announced today that its Annual Meeting of Stockholders has been scheduled to be held on Dec. 21, 1990 and that Nov. 16, 1990 has been fixed as the record date for such meeting.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - UAL Corporation (NYSE: UAL) announced today a long-term resolution of issues with respect to its largest shareholder that involves active support for the company's highly successful strategic plan. Keith R. Gollust and Paul E. Tierney Jr. of Coniston Partners will join the 13 current members on UAL Corporation's board of directors. For the next two and a half years, Coniston and its affiliates will not acquire additional UAL shares to any material extent nor sell shares in any major block, and will direct their efforts at assisting UAL and its shareholders through their director designees. The company also announced contemplated repurchases of up to two million shares of UAL stock in the open market, as the board deems appropriate, to improve shareholder value. The company's previously announced enhanced employee stock programs are not affected by this announcement.

Stephen M. Wolf, chairman and president of UAL Corporation, said: ''By putting the uncertainty over ownership behind us, we can move forward to focus our full attention on United's long-term strategic plan and industry opportunities as they arise. We welcome Messrs. Gollust and Tierney to our board and look forward to working with them in fulfilling our promise to increase shareholder value, to protect employee job security and to meet the needs of our customers. In today's industry environment, a relationship such as that cemented today, will go a long way in enabling United Airlines to meet these objectives.''

Paul E. Tierney Jr., a member of Coniston Partners, said: ''In consideration of worldwide economic conditions, including the price of oil, working with management and the board will produce the greatest value for shareholders. Also, with United employees now able to work in an environment of stable ownership and corporate governance and with the parties working together toward a common goal, the ultimate result will benefit all.''

Tierney added, ''We are hopeful that our decision to participate on the board will help to build an even stronger United Airlines.''

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OKLAHOMA CITY (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - LSB Industries Inc. (AMEX: LSB) announced today that the previously announced agreement between Equity Bank for Savings, F.A, a wholly owned subsidiary of LSB, and The Globe Savings Bank F.S.B. El Reno, Okla., in which Equity Bank was to acquire four branch offices from The Globe Savings Bank, has expired and has not been extended by mutual agreement of the parties.

LSB is a company engaged in a variety of manufacturing, engineering, marketing and financial service activities on a worldwide basis. LSB's principal business activities consist of the manufacture and sale of chemical products, commercial air conditioning products, automotive and industrial products and the financial service business. LSB's common stock, debentures and preferred stock are listed for trading on the American Stock Exchange.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesa Offshore Trust (the trust) today announced that it has been advised by Mesa Limited Partnership (Mesa) that Mesa has signed a letter of intent to sell certain producing oil and gas properties and undeveloped leasehold acreage to Seagull Energy Corp. (Seagull) of Houston. Mesa has advised the trust that the properites to be sold to Seagull include Mesa's 10 percent interest in the royalty properties of the trust and Mesa's 0.01 percent interest in the Mesa Offshore Royalty Partnership (the partnership). The transaction is expected to close in December 1990 and is subject to Seagull obtaining financing, the negotiation and execution of a definitive agreement, and to customary regulatory clearances.

Mesa has further advised the trust that, in connection with the acquisition, Seagull is expected to replace Mesa as the operator of the royalty properties and the managing general partner of the partnership and to assume Mesa's obligations under the instrument conveying the royalty properties to the trust. Following the Seagull acquisition, the royalty properties will continue to be subject to the trust royalty and it is expected that the trust and the partnership will, in general, continue to operate without change.

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BOISE, ID (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of West One Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: WEST) today declared a cash dividend of 22 cents per common share payable on Jan. 17, 1991 to shareholders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

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AMARILLO, Texas (Oct. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwestern Public Service Co.

(NYSE: SPS) today reported fiscal 1990 earnings of $2.73 per common share, up 28 cents from earnings of $2.45 for fiscal 1989.

W.R. Esler, SPS chairman of the board and chief executive officer, attributed the increased earnings to recognition of $13.4 million in investment tax credits related to a previously disclosed Federal Energy Regulatory Commission order, as well as to $1.6 million in related revenues and interest. Together these factors contributed 35 cents per share to earnings.

The electric utility reported operating revenues for the year ended Aug. 31, 1990, of $769.5 million, a decrease of $29.3 million, or 3.7 percent, compared with the previous year. Esler said the decline in operating revenues reflects lower fuel-related collections due primarily to decreased purchased-power costs in 1990.

Operating income of $145.5 million was down 3.2 percent. Lower operating income resulted from higher operation and scheduled maintenance expenses at the company's major generating stations -- excluding fuel, purchased power and taxes. Kilowatt-hour sales, excluding non-firm sales, were up 4.2 percent. Kwh sales rose primarily due to periods of unseasonably hot, dry weather. Additionally, slightly improving economic conditions in the service area resulted in modest improvements in kwh sales.

Consolidated construction expenditures of $50.3 million in fiscal 1990 were up $4.3 million, or 9.4 percent, from the previous year. Fiscal 1991 consolidated construction is budgeted at $80.2 million.

SPS is a regional electric utility that provides electric service to a population of about 1 million people in a 52,000-square-mile area of the South plains and Panhandle of Texas, eastern and southeastern New Mexico, the Panhandle of Oklahoma, and southwestern Kansas. Corporate headquarters is in Amarillo, Texas.

Southwestern Public Service Company reports the following consolidated financial information for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990, with comparable information for fiscal 1989:

CONTACT: Jim Steinhilper of Southwestern Public Service Co., 806-378-2843

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#90291p6971 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Navistar International Corp. (NYSE: NAV) today announced that Neil A. Springer, president and chief operating officer, will retire on Oct. 31, 1990, the close of the company's fiscal year. He will continue as a consultant to the company during his retirement.

"After more than 30 years with Navistar, I have accomplished many of the

objectives I set for myself and for the company," Springer said. "I have an enormous amount of confidence in the strong management team that is in place now to lead Navistar through the challenges of the next decade."

James C. Cotting, chairman and chief executive officer, said that "through his leadership and commitment to excellence, Neil Springer has contributed greatly to Navistar's leading position in North American truck manufacturing.

"During his tenure as president and chief operating officer, Neil has helped to successfully steer Navistar through some of the most challenging times in the company's history," Cotting said. "We are very fortunate that he has agreed to be available as a consultant so that Navistar can continue to benefit from his vast knowledge of the company and the industry."

Springer started his career with Navistar in 1960, progressing through a number of manufacturing positions with the company's facilities in Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Springfield, Ohio; and Bridgeport, Conn. In 1970, he moved to the Navistar's Chicago headquarters, where he held progressively more responsible positions in the company's agricultural equipment, finance and truck organizations. He was named head of the truck group in 1979 and president and chief operating officer of Navistar in 1984.

Navistar is the leading producer of medium and heavy trucks in North America and the worldwide leader in the production of mid-range diesel engines.

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-30- 2154

#90291p6975 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Alvin C. Copeland, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Al Copeland Enterprises Inc., announced today that on Oct. 11, 1990 the company's board of directors declared a dividend on its 17.5 percent Cumulative Exchangeable Preferred Stock, payable in additional shares of Preferred Stock. The dividend is payable at the ratio of one share for approximately each 22.857 shares outstanding. The dividend is payable on Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record on Oct. 31, 1990.

Only whole shares of Preferred Stock in payment of dividends will be issued. Each holder of Preferred Stock who would otherwise be entitled to receive a fractional share in payment of dividends will be entitled to receive a cash payment equal to such holder's proportionate interest in the net proceeds from the sale by an agent selected by the company of the aggregate fractional shares of Preferred Stock otherwise issuable.

Al Copeland Enterprises, Inc. operates and franchises quick-service fried chicken restaurants under various trade names, including "Popeyes Famous Fried

Chicken and Biscuits" and "Church's Chicken." Preferred Stock of Al Copeland Enterprises Inc. is traded in the over-the-counter market.

CONTACT: Lewis B. Kilbourne of Al Copeland Enterprises Inc., 504-733-4300

-30- 1507

#90291p6977 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPOKANE, WA (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Key Tronic Corp. (NASDAQ: KTCC) has unveiled its Universal Expansion Station, a peripheral product that enhances the performance of portable computers.

Key Tronic's Universal Expansion Station (UXS) expands the capabilities of laptop and notebook computers by offering add-on functions such as network connectivity, floppy disk access, hard disk storage, video upgrades, and fax and modem capabilities.

"The primary problem portable computer users face is their inability to achieve the full functionality that exists with a desktop computer system," explained Mike Snyder, Product Manager for Key Tronic's Universal Expansion Station. "With the UXS, they can add the functions they need at their desk, yet benefit from the portability of the laptop or notebook when they're away from the office."

The new product, which Key Tronic anticipates will be available for sale in late 1990, will list for $895 and carry a one-year limited warranty. It will be manufactured in Key Tronic's facilities in Spokane, Snyder said. The expansion station will be marketed through Key Tronic's network of retail distributors and dealers throughout North America with eventual sales in Europe.

Key Tronic, the leading manufacturer of keyboards and other computer products, is a publicly held corporation traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol KTCC.

CONTACT: Steve Edison of Key Tronic Corp., 509-927-5242

-30- 1624

#90291p6984 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. today announced a decrease in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The decrease of $1.75/bbl was effective today at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$36.00 for West Texas Intermediate $34.00 for West Texas Sour $36.50 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from

California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E59. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Bonnie Chaikind, 415-894-1200; or Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440; both of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

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#90291p6992 10/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Lewis Galoob Toys Inc. (NYSE: GAL) a South San Francisco-based toy company, today announced that the United States District Court for the Northern District of California has ordered Nintendo of America to post a $5 million bond to cover any costs or damages Galoob Toys may incur if it is found that the company was wrongfully enjoined from selling its new Game Genie (tm) video game enhancer.

U.S. District Court Judge Fern Smith granted Galoob Toys' motion for additional bond following yesterday's hearing. Judge Smith is expected to preside over Nintendo's copyright infringement suit, which is scheduled for trial early next year.

"We are pleased with the court's decision to require Nintendo to increase its bond to $5 million in order to cover the damages we may incur if we are found to have been wrongfully enjoined from selling the Game Genie," said Steven M. Klein, executive vice president and general counsel of Galoob Toys. "We maintain that Galoob Toys has in no way infringed on any Nintendo copyright and that we will prevail at the final trial of this case."

In June, Judge Robert H. Schnacke issued a preliminary injunction enjoining Galoob from distributing the Game Genie, pending the formal trial of Nintendo's suit. Galoob's expedited appeal was heard in September by the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and a decision is expected shortly.

The Game Genie is the world's first and only video-game enhancer. It offers a new dimension to video-game play by allowing players to modify game play to explore all "levels" of an individual game by giving players infinite lives, enhanced "fire" power or increased jumping abilities.

Lewis Galoob Toys Inc. designs, develops, markets and distributes a variety of toy products sold worldwide.

CONTACT: Steven M. Klein of Lewis Galoob Toys Inc., 415-952-1678

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#90291t3811 10/18/1990 ~ts

OSLO (OCT. 18) TASS - A GREENPEACE SHIP WAS FINED BY POLICE AT THE NORWEGIAN PORT OF TROMSO, WHERE IT ARRIVED AFTER BEING EXPELLED FROM SOVIET TERRITORIAL WATERS.

THE NORWEGIAN NTB NEWS AGENCY SAID THE CAPTAIN OF THE SHIP, WHICH FLIES THE DUTCH FLAG, WAS PUNISHED FOR VIOLATING ENTRY REGULATIONS FOR FOREIGN VESSELS.

UNDER THE RULES, A FOREIGN SHIP MUST BE PILOTED BY A LOCAL SHIP IN THE PORT'S AREA.

THE CAPTAIN DID NOT WAIT FOR ONE AND ENTERED THE PORT INDEPENDENTLY.

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#90291t3813 10/18/1990 ~ts

VIENNA (OCT. 18) TASS - SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV WILL VISIT FRANCE ON OCTOBER 28-29, FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE TOLD JOURNALISTS TODAY DURING A BREAK IN THE TALKS HERE WITH HIS FRENCH COUNTERPART ROLAND DUMAS.

SHEVARDNADZE STRESSED THAT THE MAIN ITEMS OF A SOVIET-FRENCH TREATY ON ACCORD AND COOPERATION WERE COORDINATED DURING THE CURRENT TALKS.

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#90291t3814 10/18/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (OCT. 18) TASS - SOVIET-AMERICAN CONSULTATIONS WERE HELD IN WASHINGTON ON LATIN AMERICAN ISSUES, THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY.

HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES' FOREIGN MINISTRIES EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT IN EL SALVADOR BASED ON UNDERSTANDINGS REACHED IN GENEVA AND CARACAS BETWEEN THE SALVADORIAN GOVERNMENT AND THE FARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT.

PARTICIPANTS IN CONSULTATIONS BELIEVE IT DESIRABLE FOR THE WARRING PARTIES TO STEP UP THE TALKS TO ACHIEVE A POLITICAL AGREEMENT AND A CEASEFIRE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

THEY ALSO BELIEVE THAT THE TWO PARTIES PARTICIPATING IN THE DIALOGUE SHOULD REFRAIN FROM HOSTILITIES WHICH MAY BE HARMFUL TO THE CAUSE OF PEACE IN EL SALVADOR.

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#90291t3818 10/18/1990 ~ts

BEIJING (OCT. 18) TASS - CHINA HAS ALWAYS REGARDED THE SENKAKU ARCHIPELAGO AS ITS OWN TERRITORY. THEREFORE, THE INSTALLATION OF A SEA-MARK ON ONE OF THE ARCHIPELAGO'S ISLANDS BY AN ULTRA RIGHT-WING JAPANESE ORGANISATION IS A VIOLATION OF CHINA'S SOVEREIGNTY.

THIS STATEMENT WAS MADE BY CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESWOMAN LI JINHUA AT A BRIEFING HERE TODAY.

"THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT DEMANDS THAT THE JAPANESE SIDE TAKE IMMEDIATE AND EFFICIENT MEASURES TO STOP THIS ACTION AND PREVENT SIMILAR INCIDENTS IN FUTURE " SHE STRESSED.

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#90291u0025 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 18) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	4	1	0	.800	130	99
Miami	4	1	0	.800	108	73
Indianapolis	2	3	0	.400	81	108
NY Jets	2	4	0	.333	107	148
New England	1	4	0	.200	80	152

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	4	2	0	.667	154	153
Houston	3	3	0	.500	146	125
Pittsburgh	3	3	0	.500	102	101
Cleveland	2	4	0	.333	98	139

WEST

LA Raiders	5	1	0	.833	123	93
Kansas City	4	2	0	.667	160	95
Denver	2	4	0	.333	141	161
Seattle	2	4	0	.333	125	128
San Diego	2	4	0	.333	114	108

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
NY Giants	5	0	0	1.000	130	67
Washington	3	2	0	.600	121	75
Phoenix	2	3	0	.400	60	121
Philadelphia	2	3	0	.400	123	119
Dallas	2	4	0	.333	73	122

CENTRAL

Chicago	5	1	0	.833	142	75

Tampa Bay	4	2	0	.667	134	124
Detroit	2	4	0	.333	141	169
Green Bay	2	4	0	.333	103	146
Minnesota	1	5	0	.167	140	135
WEST						
San Francisco	5	0	0	1.000	127	94
Atlanta	2	3	0	.400	137	139
New Orleans	2	3	0	.400	95	100
LA Rams	1	4	0	.200	120	149

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#90291u0063 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

AREQUIPA, PERU (OCT. 17) UPI - A moderate earthquake rocked Peru's second largest city Wednesday, causing jitters among its 1 million inhabitants but no damage or injury, officials said.

The quake struck at 6:25 p.m.

A seismologist at the Peruvian Geophysics Institute in Lima said the temblor felt in the southeastern city of Arequipa and surrounding areas was not related to a quake Wednesday morning in the Amazon region near the Brazilian border. That quake registered 6 on the open-ended Richter scale.

The first quake caused minor damage, such as cracked walls, in Rio Branco, a city of 200,000 about 350 miles northeast of the Peruvian capital Lima.

A number of people ran out of their homes, but no one was reported injured by the quake, which lasted about 20 seconds.

The seismologist did not give the strength or epicenter of the second quake.

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#90291u0102 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 18) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

WORLD SERIES

No game scheduled.

HOCKEY

Quebec at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Montreal at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.

St. Louis at Calgary, 9:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Filderstadt, Germany - $350,000 women's Porsche Grand Prix
Grand Prix de Lyon, France - $500,000 men's tournament
Vienna - $250,000 men's indoor tournament
San Juan, Puerto Rico -$100,000 women's Puerto Rico Open

YACHTING

Argentina - Lechner Class World Championships.

GOLF

Lake Buena Vista, Fla. - $1 million PGA Walt Disney Classic

BOXING

Paris - IBF middleweight championship, Michael Nunn vs. Donald Curry

-30- 816
#90291u0124 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 18) UPI - A convicted killer died Wednesday night in Virginia's electric chair... hours after the U-S Supreme Court declined to issue a stay of execution. Governor Douglas Wilder ignored a plea that Wilbert Evans' sentence be commuted from death to life in prison. Evans is the 141st American executed since the death penalty was reinstated in 1976.

A bi-partisan deficit reduction plan survived its first test vote in the Senate. Senators voted 67-32 in rejecting an amendment Wednesday night that would have raised income taxes for the rich and would have scaled back a proposed gasoline tax. Democratic leader George Mitchell says he personally favored portions of the proposal, but opposed it because it would have led to a presidential veto.

Three Americans are among the four people honored Wednesday with 1990's final Nobel prizes, giving Americans close to a sweep of this year's awards. While eight of the 11 Nobel laureates for 1990 are U-S citizens... the top honor- the Nobel Peace Prize- went to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

Suspended Navajo Tribal Chairman Peter MacDonald and his son were convicted Wednesday in a scheme to collect kickbacks from firms doing business on the nation's biggest Indian reservation. A tribal court jury deliberated about 15 hours before issuing the verdict in Window Rock, Arizona.

A citywide search ended Wednesday in New York. Police say a body found off a

Bronx highway has been identified as that of a 10-year-old girl who disappeared last week. Officials say Jessica Guzman had NOT been bound or gagged and it was NOT immediately clear what caused her death.

A small Southern California company will NO longer claim its ''Bunnies'' diapers are biodegradable in landfills. American Enviro Products says it reached the settlement after nine months of negotiations with a task force of attorneys general from 10 states.

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#90291u0144 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, LEBANON (OCT. 18) UPI - The government of President Elias Hrawi froze $30 million allegedly embezzled by Gen. Michel Aoun, the former rebel army leader now holed up in the French Embassy.

Official sources said the government instructed several local banks Wednesday to freeze money deposited in Aoun's accounts during the two years in which he claimed to be the legitimate Lebanese prime minister.

Aoun's mutiny ended Saturday when he was routed by Lebanese and Syrian troops that moved into Christian east Beirut and captured the presidential palace in Baabda, 5 miles southeast of the Lebanese capital.

Aoun and the forces under his command had refused to recognize the authority of the Hrawi government, installed as the result of an Arab- brokered accord last year designed to settle Lebanon's 15-year civil war between Christians and Moslems.

He fought the presence of Syrian forces in Lebanon and also this year battled the forces of a rival Christian militia leader.

Sources said Wednesday that Hrawi's government was also attempting to freeze a reported amount $60 million deposited in banks abroad, notably French banks.

''The government has taken a decision to freeze a large amount of money Aoun had collected from taxes and sales of wheat and gasoline,'' Agriculture Minister Mohsen Dalloul told United Press International.

Dalloul said a large amount of the missing money had been located at 13 local banks.

The pro-Syrian As-Safir daily newspaper reported that $98 million was in bank accounts in the name of a number of political and military figures close to Aoun, including Brig. Gens. Edgard Maalouf and Issam Abu Jamra.

Abu Jamara was believed to have $9 million in local banks alone, As- Safir said.

As-Safir quoted government sources as saying that Aoun and his aides had collected the money from taxes and from funds sent by Lebanese emigrants who supported their military campaign against Syrian forces in Lebanon last year.

Aoun and a number of his associates have taken up refuge at the French Embassy in the district of Hazmiyeh on the eastern outskirts of Beirut.

Hrawi's government rebuffed a French offer to grant Aoun political asylum and has insisted on putting him on trial for embezzlement.

Red Cross and hospital sources said at least 600 people were killed and more than 700 were wounded during Saturday's battles. The sources said that among the dead were some 300 Syrian soldiers.

Aoun has remained holed up as France, through its ambassador to Beirut, Rene Ala, tried to settle his fate.

Ala, emerging from a meeting with Prime Minister Selim Hoss, said efforts continued with the Lebanese government to end Aoun's ordeal through diplomacy.

Asked about reports that Aoun had suffered heart problems while at the embassy Ala said: ''Nobody is ill at the embassy.''

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#90291u0145 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 18) UPI - WORLD SERIES BOX SCORE - GAME 2:

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
RHendrsn lf	4	1	1	0	Larkin ss	5	1	3	0
Lansford 3b	4	0	1	0	Hatcher cf	4	2	4	1
Canseco rf	5	1	1	2	O'Neill rf	4	0	0	0
McGwire 1b	4	1	2	0	Davis lf	5	0	0	1
DHendrsn cf	4	1	2	0	Morris 1b	3	0	0	0
Steinbach c	0	0	0	0	Braggs ph	1	0	0	1
Randolph 2b	4	0	0	0	Dibble p	0	0	0	0
Hassey c	4	0	2	1	Bates ph	1	1	1	0
Bordick ss	0	0	0	0	Sabo 3b	5	0	3	0
Gallego ss	4	0	1	1	Oliver c	5	1	2	1
Baines ph	1	0	0	0	Duncan 2b	3	0	0	0
Eckersley p	0	0	0	0	Jackson p	1	0	0	0
Welch p	3	0	0	0	Scudder p	0	0	0	0
Honeycutt p	0	0	0	0	Oester ph	1	0	1	1
McGee cf	0	0	0	0	Armstrong p	0	0	0	0
					Wnnnghm ph	1	0	0	0
					Charlton p	0	0	0	0

					Benzinger 1b	1	0	0	0
Totals	37	4	10	4	Totals	40	5	14	5

(One out when winning run scored)

Oakland	103	000	000	0-4
Cincinnati	200	100	010	1-5

E-Jackson, Oliver, Hassey, McGwire. DP-Cincinnati 1. LOB-Oakland 10, Cincinnati 10. 2B-Larkin, Hatcher 2, Oliver. 3B-Hatcher. HR-Canseco (1). SB-R. Henderson 1. S- Lansford, Welch. SF-Hassey.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Welch	7 1-3	9	4	4	2	2
Honeycutt	1 2-3	2	0	0	1	0
Eckersley (L 0-1)	1-3	3	1	1	0	0
Cincinnati						
Jackson	2 2-3	6	4	3	2	0
Scudder	1 1-3	0	0	0	2	2
Armstrong	3	1	0	0	0	3
Charlton	1	1	0	0	0	0
Dibble (W 1-0)	2	2	0	0	0	2

Umpires: Home, Roe; 1b, Quick; 2b, Hendry; 3b, Marsh; Lf, Barnett; Rf, Pulli.

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#90291u0168 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - The Senate's bipartisan deficit reduction package faces a second day of assault Thursday after weathering two threats during a heated opening day of debate.

In a Wednesday session that lasted until midnight, the Senate fought off amendments to the deficit reduction that could have scuttled the plan, the major elements of which are favored by President Bush.

The Senate defeated an amendment offered by Sens. Kent Conrad, D- N.D., and Max Baucus, D-Mont., to raise income tax rates for the rich to 33 percent from the current 28 percent and impose a 10 percent surtax on Americans whose annual taxable income exceeds $1 million. The defeated measure also proposed to hold the gas tax increase to 5 cents a gallon, down from the 9.5-cent hike contained in the bipartisan plan.

Later, Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine and Senate Republican

leader Robert Dole of Kansas combined in a parliamentary maneuver to avoid a floor vote on an amendment offered by Sen. Steve Symms, R-Idaho, to remove the gas tax hike from the package.

The Senate bill would cut the deficit by $28.4 billion in fiscal year 1991, which began Oct. 1, and by $252.5 billion over five years. It is the cornerstone of the Senate's broader effort to cut the deficit by $40 billion in 1991 and by $500 billion over five years.

Senate debate on the deficit-cutting measure began a day after the House narrowly approved a plan crafted by Democrats.

Without agreement on a deficit-cutting plan, the government faces the possibility of another shutdown at 12:01 a.m. EDT Saturday. Bush has said he will not sign another emergency spending measure to fund the government without a budget accord in place.

Bush said Tuesday he would veto any measure like the one passed by the House, expressing support for the Senate version. But on Wednesday, the administration released a statement saying Bush's advisers would recommend a veto of the Senate bill unless two provisions were removed.

Those provisions reauthorized the Federal Aviation Administration with language dealing with labor protection, aviation noise reduction and landing rights that Bush opposed. It also increased fines federal health and safety agencies could impose for violations.

The administration also expressed ''serious concerns'' about 10 other minor provisions of the Senate bill.

Crafted by the tax-writing Finance Committee, the Senate bill does not change the nation's income tax rate structure. However, it contains the gas tax hike along with increases in cigarette, alcohol and luxury taxes and proposes $48.9 billion in Medicare cuts over five years.

The House bill extends the top tax rate to 33 percent for the wealthiest Americans from the current 28 percent - a move that would raise $50 billion over five years. It also would impose a 10 percent surtax on millionaires and a 10 percent luxury tax on expensive cars, boats, airplanes, jewelry and furs.

The House legislation proposed a $43 billion cut in Medicare over five years.

Mitchell and Dole repeatedly urged their colleagues to refrain from amending the Senate package, warning of a possible White House backlash.

Among amendments that could be considered Thursday is one to be offered by Sens. Albert Gore, D-Tenn., and Barbara Mikulski, D-Md., that also would create a 33 percent income tax rate for the wealthiest taxpayers.

Mitchell said he personally favored many portions of the Conrad- Baucus plan, particularly the 33 percent top rate, but said its inclusion in the deficit reduction plan would lead to a certain Bush veto.

''As is so often the case in life generally, and certainly in the political process, we must play with the cards that are dealt for us. We must deal with the situation as it exists,'' Mitchell said.

Mitchell called the Symms measure, which would have eliminated $42.6 billion in deficit reduction over five years, ''a killer amendment'' that ''would destroy this deficit reduction effort.'' Symms, an opponent of the bipartisan plan, argued that ''raising the gas tax on working Americans is not the solution'' to the deficit problem.

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#90291u0174 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

CINCINNATI (UPI) - The Cincinnati Reds have taken a stunning 2-0 lead over the Oakland Athletics in the World Series by beating two of baseball's best in Dave Stewart and Dennis Eckersley.

Very few thought the Reds could win this thing before it started. Now everybody knows they can.

Joe Oliver grounded a single off Eckersley with one out in the 10th inning Wednesday night to score Billy Bates from second base and give the Reds a thrilling 5-4 victory over the heavily favored American League champions.

''We didn't come here just to be an opponent,'' said Cincinnati Manager Lou Piniella. ''We came to win the World Series.''

Oliver, a catcher in the lineup primarily for his defensive skills, tagged baseball's premier reliever with his first postseason loss since the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the A's with Kirk Gibson's dramatic ninth- inning homer in the 1988 Series.

Eckersley started the 10th and got Eric Davis to ground out, but Bates reached on a chopper to third - his first hit with Cincinnati - and went to second on Chris Sabo's single. Oliver then singled just inside the third-base bag and Bates coasted home.

''When it was called fair I felt a lot of excitement,'' said Oliver, who hit just .143 in the National League playoffs but is 3 for 9 in the Series. ''This is a real big thing. This should give us a lot of momentum.''

Speaking of momentum: Billy Hatcher of the Reds went 4 for 4 to set a Series record with seven straight hits. The mark of six was set in 1924 by

Washington's Leon ''Goose'' Goslin and equaled in 1976 by Thurman Munson of the Yankees.

Hatcher has not been retired in his first Series, collecting four doubles, a triple, two singles and two walks.

''I'm just getting a big part of the bat on the ball right now,'' said Hatcher a career .404 hitter in the postseason. ''I'm getting good pitches, and getting a chance to play regularly is another reason.''

For the A's, this Series is beginning to resemble 1988 when Oakland entered as big favorites against Los Angeles but lost the first two games on the road en route to losing in five games.

Asked if he sees any comparisons to the Series two years ago, third baseman Carney Lansford said. ''Not at all. We played a lot better than we did last night (a 7-0 loss in Game 1). We just didn't add on with the big hit.''

Rob Dibble pitched two scoreless innings for the victory. The Cincinnati bullpen hurled 7 1-3 innings without surrendering a run after starter Danny Jackson faltered.

''The bullpen did the job tonight,'' said Reds shortstop Barry Larkin, refering to Scott Scudder, Jack Armstrong, Norm Charlton and Dibble.

The best-of-seven series continues Friday night at the Oakland Coliseum. The A's are scheduled to start Mike Moore against left-hander Tom Browning.

Just before Oliver's dramatic hit, Browning left Riverfront Stadium after learning his wife, Debbie, had gone into labor.

The game came on the one-year anniversary of the Bay Area earthquake that delayed the Series between the A's and San Francisco Giants for 11 days.

With the Reds trailing 4-3 in the eighth, Hatcher produced his fourth hit, a leadoff triple that glanced off the glove of right fielder Jose Canseco. Starter Bob Welch followed by walking Paul O'Neill on four pitches, but got Davis on a short fly to right. Hatcher did not dare test Canseco's arm but admitted later he had made a mistake.

Welch was replaced by left-hander Rick Honeycutt, and that brought on Glenn Braggs to bat for Hal Morris. Braggs, celebrating his 28th birthday, then hit a chopper up the middle. Shortstop Mike Gallego tagged O'Neill near second but threw too late to first to complete the double play as Hatcher scored to tie it.

Left fielder Rickey Henderson threw out Sabo trying for a double in the sixth, and helped send the game into extra innings in the ninth with a leaping stab

of Todd Benzinger's liner.

Honeycutt got O'Neill to fly out with runners at first and second in the ninth forcing the first extra-inning Series game since Game 6 in 1986.

With Oakland trailing 2-1, Canseco gave the A's their first postseason homer this year when he drilled a 2-0 pitch from Jackson into the second deck in right field. It was only his fourth homer since Aug. 2 and first since Sept. 16.

Mark McGwire followed with a single, and walks to Dave Henderson and Willie Randolph loaded the bases. Ron Hassey's sacrifice fly pushed Oakland ahead, and Gallego's two-out single up the middle made it 4-2 and drove Jackson from the game.

Jackson, a Series star with Kansas City in 1985, entered with a 3-1 record and 1.43 ERA in the postseason but lasted just 2 2-3 innings and was tagged for six hits.

Gallego's hit was the A's first in 15 tries with a runner in scoring position.

Larkin opened the Cincinnati third with a single and Hatcher hit his fourth Series double, but Welch escaped the jam. He got O'Neill on a short fly to left, Davis on a comebacker and Morris on a groundout.

But a two-out pinch-hit by Ron Oester - the Red with the most tenure with the club at 13 seasons - brought Cincinnati to within 4-3 in the fourth. Oliver, who had doubled, scored when catcher Hassey was unable to handle Dave Henderson's throw from center for an error.

In the first, Rickey Henderson singled, stole second without a throw, moved to third on Carney Lansford's sacrifice and scored on Canseco's groundout.

The Reds, though, countered with two runs in their half of the first. After Larkin doubled, Hatcher followed with another to tie it. Hatcher then came home on O'Neill's flyout and Davis' bouncer.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - White supremacist Tom Metzger cross-examined himself on the witness stand in a 10-Million-dollar wrongful death case being heard in Oregon. The Fallbrook, California, T-V repairman says he canNOT afford an attorney for the lawsuit brought by two civil rights groups. The suit stems from the 1988 fatal beating of an Ethiopian student by three so- called ''skinheads'' allegedly sent to Portland by Metzger.

Motorists paying more at the gasoline pumps are NOT the only ones suffering

economically from the Persian Gulf crisis. A spokesman for one Paris fashion house says his and other firms are suffering cancellations of hand-made, costly, high-fashion clothes from oil-rich clients in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. Despite the lost sales, Paris fashion houses opened their spring shows Wednesday with an emphasis on the short and the bare.

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#90291u0207 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (OCT. 18) UPI - Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon and his North Korean counterpart Yon Hyong-muk ended two days of talks in the North Korean capital of Pyongyang Thursday after agreeing to meet in Seoul in December.

Though that was the only agreement reached at their meeting held for two hours behind closed doors at the People's Cultural Palace in Pyongyang, the prime ministers had solid discussions on how to achieve rapprochement and end 45 years of national division.

The coming round of the inter-Korea prime ministerial talks, which started in Seoul in September, will be held Dec. 11-14, reported journalists accompanying the Southern delegation.

At the first session in Pyongyang Wednesday, Kang renewed a call that an eight-point basic agreement for improved relations be signed and exchanges of people and goods be promoted to build mutual trust.

Yon, insisting priority should be on ending political and military confrontation, offered a draft seven-point non-aggression declaration.

At the meeting Thursday, the two prime ministers elaborated on their respective proposals. In the process Kang proposed an eight-point ''joint declaration for South-North reconciliation and cooperation,'' Seoul officials said.

Kang did not want to use the word ''non-aggression declaration'' which, under South Korean law, will require parliamentary consent before signing, the officials said.

Kang's draft declaration provided that the South and the North, reconfirming the three principles for unification of independence, peace and national unity spelled out in the July 4, 1972, South- North joint communique, shall recognize and respect each other's system and shall not interfere in each other's internal affairs.

It said the South and the North shall promote economic exchanges and cooperation and realize exchanges and cooperation of people in various fields.

The two sides shall not use force of arms or stage any form of aggression and subversive activity against each other, it further said, and shall peacefully solve differences and disputes through dialogue and negotiation between their authorities.

Kang's draft accommodated some of North Korean demands including the three principles for unification that the North insisted on at the Seoul round and in Pyongyang.

Kang's version was similar in key aspects to the North Korea- proposed non-aggression declaration which said ''the North and the South as one nation shall not use arms against the other party in any case'' and ''shall settle possible differences and disputes peacefully through dialogue and negotiation.''

Seoul officials said they were hopeful that the two sides will be able to sign an agreement through further discussions at the Seoul round of talks in December.

Kang and his party were scheduled to pay a call on North Korean President Kim Il-sung later in the day. Kang will relay a verbal message from President Roh Tae-woo to Kim, officials said.

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#90291u0232 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (OCT. 18) UPI - Controversy flared Thursday over orders that Australian sailors should not wear their uniforms in public in Australia to avoid harassment from Moslems angered by a video made on a Persian Gulf warship.

The ban on uniforms came into force Friday but was not made public in Australia until this week, prompting complaints from veterans and other groups.

Defense Minister Robert Ray, caught in a backlash over the no- uniforms rule, said Thursday he would review the order for off-duty sailors not to wear their uniforms in public.

Military officials said the no-uniform rule went into effect Friday, the same day as a video shot on board the HMAS Success, on duty in the gulf, was released, drawing strong protests from Australia's Arab community.

In the video, Australian sailors wrapped in sheets and towels bowed toward Mecca from the deck of the supply ship HMAS Success during a training exercise with sister ships HMAS Darwin and HMAS Adelaide.

Acting Defense Minister Gordon Bilney Friday apologized to the Arab community on behalf of the Australian government.

Since the video was screened, a number of sailors have complained they have been harassed by Moslems in Sydney.

Australian-Arab Welfare Society head Hassan Moussa said the 300,000- strong Arab community in Australia felt insulted but said he and his organization were unaware of any incidents involving Arabs and sailors.

The president of the Australian Navy League, retired Cmdr. Geoffrey Evans, said the no-uniforms order will only increase feelings of a division within the nation.

''I feel it was very regrettable to instruct sailors not to go to shore in their uniforms in their own country,'' Evans said. ''It indicates there are groups within the country who are carrying their old national feelings into our country and I think this is a matter of great regret.''

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#90291u0248 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

THUNDER BAY, ONTARIO (OCT. 18) UPI - Convicted murderer and former Playboy model Lawrencia ''Bambi'' Bembenek ignored the T-shirts that extolled her to ''Run, Bambi, Run'' and stayed put during her three months on the lam.

She was captured Wednesday on a tip from a viewer of ''America's Most Wanted'' who was vacationing in Thunder Bay, where Bembenek worked as a waitress since her prison break and lived with her fiance, Dominic Gugliatto. He also was arrested.

Bembenek, 32, squeezed through a window in a Wisconsin prison on July 15, possibly with the help of Gugliatto, 34, and quickly became a cause celebre whose plight was described in a pop song that helped make her famous throughout the United States and across the Atlantic Ocean.

The two were being held in Thunder Bay and will be expelled from Canada for violating immigration laws, Fond du Lac County Sheriff Jim Gilmore said. He said the earliest a hearing could be held would be next Tuesday or Wednesday.

Bembenek's flight sparked widespread interest, and many people perceived her as an innocent victim of the system who was convicted on circumstantial evidence.

The escape, Bembenek's beauty and the controversy surrounding her conviction led to headlines and reports of possible sightings of her around the globe - including reports that she may have fled to Great Britain.

Bembenek was convicted of first-degree murder in the 1981 slaying of Christine Schultz, the ex-wife of Bembenek's then-husband, Elfred Schultz. Schultz was

bound, gagged and shot in a scheme, prosecutors said, to improve the couple's financial situation by reducing his alimony and child support payments.

Bembenek has maintained her innocence and has drawn many admirers who believe she was set up to take the blame for the killing. Prosecutors and police have characterized her as cold and calculating, and said she manipulated Gugliatto into helping her escape.

Ira Robbins, a private investigator who has been looking into her case and believes she is innocent, has fought without success for a new trial. ''I was relieved nothing happened to her,'' Robbins said. ''I think it's about time now we can get this back in court again.''

But Milwaukee County District Attorney E. Michael McCann said again he feels justice was done when Bembenek was convicted and said he doubts she will get a new trial.

Bembenek was once a Playboy model, and flattering pictures of her often were printed with newspaper and magazine stories on her.

The couple, both from Milwaukee, were arrested about 3 p.m. in Thunder Bay, about 40 miles northeast of Grand Portage, Minn., in the extreme northeastern point of the state, and about 400 miles north- northwest of Milwaukee, Royal Canadian Mounted Police Constable Andy Rozdolsky said.

John Dobyns, a sheriff's investigator in Fond du Lac, said Gugliatto and Bembenek were arrested at the couple's apartment. Bembenek was using the pseudonym Jennifer Lee Gazzana and Gugliatto was using the name Anthony Gazzana, he said.

Dobyns said the two at the time of the arrest appeared to be packing a car in an effort to flee the area. The RCMP officers ''looked at (Gugliatto) and looked at our fax ... and said, 'You're the guy.' And (the couple) said, 'You've got us' and admitted who they were,'' he said.

Rozdolsky said Bembenek was charged with violating Canadian immigration laws for working illegally in Thunder Bay.

Bembenek and Gugliatto apparently had been in Thunder Bay since July 16, the day after Bembenek fled a dormitory at the medium-security Taycheedah Correctional Institution near Fond du Lac by climbing a chain-link, barbed-wire fence. She had been serving a life sentence.

Bembenek also was being charged in Wisconsin with felony escape, and Gugliatto is charged with aiding and abetting a felony escape, Gilmore said.

Rozdolsky, the RCMP officer, said Bembenek ''was arrested as the result of someone who had watched the Fox Network television show ''America's Most

Wanted.'' Bembenek's story was broadcast Friday.

Fox spokesman Jack Breslin told Milwaukee television station WTMJ the network got a call from a ''California viewer vacationing in Thunder Bay'' who had seen the Bembenek broadcast. He said the viewer was visiting a restaurant in Thunder Bay where Bembenek was working as a waitress, saw her and informed authorities in Canada and the United States.

Elfred Schultz, whose ex-wife Bembenek was convicted of killing, told WTMJ-TV in Milwaukee that he and his family were relieved at the fugitives' capture, but expressed concern for Gugliatto's family, which he said had been ''destroyed'' by Bembenek.

Commenting further on the arrests, Schultz quipped, ''It's kind of reminiscent of the Packers winning the Super Bowl.''

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(OCT. 18) UPI - The head of the United Nations said military intervention against Iraq would be legitimate if its troops fail to leave Kuwait, while U.S. Secretary of State James Baker insisted that resolving the Persian Gulf crisis must include eliminating Iraq's ''capacity for future aggression.''

Iraq, for its part, reiterated its uncompromising stance.

''There is no change in Iraq's stand on current national and pan-Arab issues '' an Information Ministry spokesman told Baghdad Radio Wednesday. ''Kuwait became an eternal part of Iraq ... no Iraqi official has ever said that the whole of Kuwait is not Iraqi.''

Iraq also denied allegations of mistreatment of Kuwaiti citizens by Iraqi soldiers in the occupied emirate, and accused the United States of presenting ''obstacles to a comprehensive settlement of all outstanding issues in the Middle East.''

In statements issued by the Iraqi Embassy in Washington, the Iraqi government reiterated its ''resolve to seek peaceful means to effect a comprehensive solution'' to all regional disputes and echoed support for French President Francois Mitterrand and ''other peace-seeking arbiters.''

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said in remarks published Wednesday in the German weekly magazine Stern that ''the members of the U.N. Security Council will have to wait a little and see whether sanctions will after all show some effect.''

The diplomat said if the economic sanctions do not work, military action against Iraq ''would be perfectly legitimate'' should the Security Council

sanction such a move.

Perez de Cuellar, however, added if the United Nations managed to resolve the crisis, ''we will then have to immediately make efforts concerning the Palestinian problem.''

Saddam Hussein sought earlier in the crisis to link an Iraqi pullout from the oil-rich emirate to an Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territories.

Jordan's King Hussein told Amman Radio that Iraq had considered pulling out of Kuwait 48 hours after the Aug. 2 invasion provided the Arab League gave Saddam full backing. But the Arab League failed to do so and Saddam incorporated Kuwait into Iraq a few days later, the radio quoted Hussein as saying.

Kremlin diplomatic troubleshooter Yevgeny Primakov indicated a possible weakening in Iraq's resolve after meeting Saddam in Baghdad. After talks in Paris with Mitterrand Wednesday, Primakov said his country believes a peaceful solution is possible.

President Bush is scheduled to meet with Primakov. White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater, however, said the conversations between Saddam and Primakov evidently produced ''no real change'' in the standoff.

The specter of full-scale war hung over a Senate hearing Wednesday as Secretary of State James Baker insisted that resolving the Persian Gulf crisis must include eliminating Iraq's ''capacity for future aggression.''

Both Republican and Democratic members of the Foreign Relations Committee expressed concern Bush could order an attack on Iraq without a formal declaration of war after Congress adjourns, expected later this month, until early next year.

Baker said the administration ''would expect to consult with Congress, but we don't know what's going to happen.''

A plan aimed at sending Japanese troops to the Middle East is stirring fears throughout the nation and other parts of Asia that Japan's pacifist Constitution is in peril.

Takako Doi, forceful leader of the largest opposition party, the Japan Socialists, denounced the bill as a ruse to send troops overseas. She said it would provoke a constitutional crisis.

Until now, Japan has always excused itself from military commitments to peacekeeping efforts since World War II, saying its constitution forbids involvement in collective defense.

In other developments Wednesday:

-Three British men who worked in Baghdad escaped Iraq Tuesday in a four-wheel-drive vehicle, crossing safely to the Saudi Arabian border 300 miles away, officials said.

-The United Nations said Perez de Cuellar's request that Iraq allow a charter plane to fly to occupied Kuwait with medicines for hospitals was rejected by Iraq.

-Iraq refuted reports of mistreatment by Iraqi soldiers in Kuwait.

''We were taken aback by the widely reported stories of flagrant and rampant disregard for human rights which these reports asserted were committed by our servicement,'' an Iraqi government statement said.

''While we acknowledge that in any conflict which involves the use of force there are likely to be isolated incidents in which individuals misinterpret their mission and display inhumanity, we categorically deny that such incidents, if they occurred, represent any official policy of any level of our government.''

-Saudi Arabia's defense minister suggested in a rare interview that Iraqi troops should rise up against the rule of Saddam Hussein and ''correct'' the crisis in the gulf themselves.'' Prince Sultan Ibn Abdul Aziz, a brother of King Fahd's, told Egypt's Al Akhbar newspaper that Arab states such as Jordan and Tunisia, along with the PLO, which sided with Saddam, had made a grave error.

-Defense Secretary Dick Cheney arrived in Moscow for talks with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev. Cheney discussed the gulf crisis with Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, but no details were released.

-Iraq's official news agency quoted the captain of the Iraqi tanker Tedmur interdicted by allied vessels in the gulf last week as saying the Australian Navy ''stole the crew's food, which was not more than a few kilograms of rice, wheat and sugar.''

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TOCCOA, GA (OCT. 18) UPI - A Stephens County High School sophomore is trying to force school administrators to change a rule that prohibits him from holding hands with his girlfriend in school.

The student, Ricky Hollifield, asked the Stephens County school board Tuesday to overturn a rule that defines holding hands as ''inappropriate bodily

contact.''

Hollifield noted that while school rules prohibit hand-holding, another rule requires the homecoming queen and her court to hold hands with their escorts during a homecoming ceremony.

Hollifield and his 15-year-old girlfriend, Toni Standridge, presented the board with a letter and a petition signed by 170 students, parents and local residents who support hand-holding.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	5	2	0	10	30	19
New Jersey	4	2	1	9	27	25
Philadelphia	4	2	0	8	25	17
Pittsburgh	3	3	0	6	25	25
NY Islanders	2	3	0	4	15	17
Washington	2	4	0	4	18	24

ADAMS DIVISION

Hartford	4	2	2	10	26	23
Boston	4	2	1	9	25	19
Montreal	4	2	1	9	23	23
Quebec	2	2	3	7	23	27
Buffalo	0	4	2	2	20	25

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	4	3	0	8	22	17
Detroit	3	2	2	8	25	28
St. Louis	3	3	0	6	15	20
Minnesota	1	5	1	3	17	28
Toronto	0	5	1	1	13	28

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	5	1	1	11	34	18
Vancouver	4	2	0	8	22	17
Calgary	4	2	0	8	22	18
Edmonton	1	2	2	4	17	20

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(OCT. 18) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

10 prison guards are among the mourners for a convicted cop-killer who was executed in Virginia Wednesday night. Wilbert Lee Evans died in the electric chair in Richmond... even though he saved the lives of prison guards during a break-out by other convicts on death row six years ago. 10 guards had asked that he be spared. .

Blood dripped profusely from beneath the brown leather mask covering the condemned killer's face as corrections officials gave him two 55- second bursts of electricity. Prison officials say nothing went wrong. A doctor says Evans had a nose-bleed. A prison spokeswoman says the pressure of the mask against the condemned man's nose caused the bleeding.

Attorney General Thornburgh reports a new push for education behind bars. Thornburgh says the federal prison system will start requiring new inmates who DON'T have the equivalent of a high school education will have to take classes. The program goes into effect January 1st.

Another day of Senate debate on the budget is coming up. The Senate fought off amendments to its deficit-reduction package in a session that lasted until midnight. Senate debate began Wednesday, one day after the House approved its own version. Senators fought off two amendments that would have scuttled the plan.

A civil rights bill is on its way to the White House. The House gave final congressional approval to the Civil Rights Act of 1990 Wednesday. If President Bush signs it, the measure will overturn or modify up to 10 Supreme Court decisions in the past five years that narrowed victims' rights in job bias cases.

The United Nations says Iraq has refused to let a charter plane fly into Kuwait with medicines for hospitals. Iraq denied reports its soldiers are mistreating people in the occupied country... saying if any such incidents have occurred, they are NOT official policy.

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#90291u0317 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 18) UPI - A convicted murderer and former Playboy bunny called ''Bambi'' is back in custody... three months after she escaped from a Wisconsin prison and became the subject of a popular song. Lawrencia Bembenek

was captured in Thunder Bay, Canada, where she had been working as a waitress. She will be extradited.

The prime minister of the Ukraine says he will resign. The Soviet news agency Tass made the announcement. Prime Minister Vitaly Masol's resignation is in response to students who have been staging a hunger strike and demonstrations in Kiev. The Ukranian parliament also agreed to several other student demands.

Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel fired his defense minister. NO reason was given but the defense official had been accused of failing to cooperate in a probe of an alleged army plot to take over the government a year ago. Havel gave temporary control of the armed forces to Prime Minister Marian Calfa.

Christie's auction house in New York City reports a record price for a single photograph. A bidder paid 126-thousand dollars for a unique gelatin silver print of a photograph by the late surrealist Man Ray. The photo, taken sometime during the 1920s, depicts a bow-tie shaped pair of brushes magically floating above a lit candle.

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MANILA, PHILIIPPINES (OCT. 18) UPI - A U.S. Navy ship on routine duty rescued 50 Vietnamese refugees aboard a crippled wooden boat in the South China Sea, a navy spokesman said Thursday.

Lt. Lee Saunders of the 7th Fleet said the guided missile frigate USS Curts took in the refugees Tuesday, 350 miles off the Philippine coast, after determining their wooden boat was ''unseaworthy, overcrowded and unable to navigate.''

Saunders said by telephone from Subic Bay Naval Base north of Manila crewmen of the Curts were attracted by a small fire the refugees lit.

The refugees - 34 men and 16 women - told the servicemen they had been at sea for 10 days, Saunders said. They received initial medical treatment by Navy doctors dispatched from the command destroyer, Saunders added.

He said the refugees will be turned over ''to the appropriate authorities.'' He declined to say where the ship was going.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Winnipeg	1	2	0-3
NY Rangers	2	1	2-5

First period-1, NY Rangers, Mullen 2 (Mallette, Nicholls), 9:45. 2, NY Rangers Gartner 6 (Turcotte, Hardy), 12:00. 3, Winnipeg, Evans 2 (Elynuik, Housley), pp 16:41.

Penalties-Moller, NYR, 0:49; Vial, NYR, 6:19; Vial, NYR, 12:48; Vanbiesbrouck, NYR, 15:49; Ellett, Win, 16:52.

Second period-4, Winnipeg, Ellett 4 (Paslawski), sh, 6:41. 5, NY Rangers, Mullen 3 (Patrick, Gartner), pp, 10:06. 6, Winnipeg, Olausson 2 (Ellett, McLlwain), 13:10.

Penalties-Paslawski, Win, 2:38; Mullen, NYR, 4:37; Elyniuk, Win, 5:24; Elyniuk Win, 10:01; Shaw, NYR, 10:51.

Third period-7, NY Rangers, Turcotte 5 (Sheppard, Leetch), pp, 2:47.8, NY Rangers, Gartner 7 (Turcotte, Patrick), 13:50.

Penalties-Sykes, Win, 1:12; Carlyle, Win, 2:30; Vial, NYR, 9:06; Beauregard, Win, 16:30; Evans, Win, misconduct 20:00.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 9-15-4-28. NY Rangers 11-12-11-34.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 7-1. NY Rangers 7-2.

Goaltenders-Winnipeg, Beauregard. NY Rangers, Vanbiesbrouck. A-14,947.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

Washington	1	1	0-2
New Jersey	0	2	1-3

First period-1, Washington, Bondra 1 (unassisted), 3:52.

Penalties-Maley, NJ, 9:13; Driver, NJ, 9:33; Kasatonov, NJ, 10:26; Sundstrom, NJ, major (misconduct), 10:26; Hunter, Was, 12:37.

Second period-2, New Jersey, Stastny 3 (MacLean, Muller), 9:57. 3, New Jersey, Ysebaert 2 (Kasatonov, Poddubny), 13:47. 4. Washington, Ridley 3 (Ciccarelli), 16:24.

Penalties-None.

Third period-5, New Jersey, Muller 3 (Stastny, Ysebaert), 14:06.

Penalties- Hatcher, Was, 14:06.

Shots on goal-Washington 9-7-4-20. New Jersey 8-9-15-32.

Power-play conversions-Washington 3-0. New Jersey 2-0.

Goalies-Washington, Beaupre. New Jersey, Terreri. A-9,171.

Referee-Andy van Hellemond.

Hartford	2	0	1-3
Toronto	0	0	1-1

First Period-1, Hartford, Ferraro 1 (Dineen, Babych), pp, 0:45. 2, Hartford, Young 2 (Dineen, Babych), pp, 15:31.

Penalties-Leeman, Tor, 0:39; Ramage, Tor, 8:08; Samuelsson, Hfd, 11:47; Berehowsky, Tor, 13:54; Iafrate, Tor, 15:44; Ladouceur, Hfd, 18:45; Evason, Hfd, major (fighting), 18:45; Cote, Hfd, major (fighting), 18:45; Clark, Tor, 18:45; Berehowsky, Tor, major (fighting), 18:45; Maguire, Tor, minor, major (fighting), game misconduct, 18:45.

Second Period-No Scoring.

Penalties-Samuelsson, Hfd, double minor, major (fighting), misconduct, game misconduct, 7:41; Iafrate, Tor, major (fighting), misconduct, 7:41; Richardson Tor, 12:53; Baca, Hfd, 13:10; Ladouceur, Hfd, 16:58.

Third Period-3, Toronto, Damphousse 3 (Thibaudeau, Iafrate), 8:04. 4, Hartford Cyr 2 (Francis, Sidorkiewicz), en, 19:18.

Penalties-Kastelic, Hfd, 2:11; Sidorkiewicz, Hfd (served by Ferraro), 8:27; Ferraro, Hfd, 13:15; Verbeek, Hfd, 15:17; Leeman, Tor, 15:17; Iafrate, Tor, 16:29.

Shots on goal-Hartford 17-7-6-30. Toronto 6-14-11-31.

Power-play conversions-Hartford 7-2. Toronto 7-0.

Goaltenders-Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. Toronto, Reese. A-15,887.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

Montreal	3	1	0-4
Buffalo	1	1	1-3

First period-1, Montreal, Skrudland 5 (Courtnall, Diduck), 0:34. 2, Montreal, Keane 1 (Desjardins, Savard), pp, 7:49. 3, Buffalo, Andreychuk 4 (Vaive, Turgeon), pp, 11:36. 4, Montreal, Savard 3 (Lefebvre), 18:01.

Penalties-Hartman, Buf, 6:01; Bodger, Buf, 7:19; McPhee, Mon, 9:06; Lefebvre,

Mon, 10:49; Vaive, Buf, 13:17.

Second period-5, Montreal, Keane 2 (Corson, Savard), 1:32. 6, Buffalo, Turgeon 3 (penalty shot), 11:39.

Penalties-Ewen, Mtl, major (fighting), 5:07; Kennedy, Buf, major (fighting), 5:07; Mtl, bench (too many players), 13:37; Loewen, Buf, 15:30.

Third period-7, Buffalo, Turgeon 3 (Vaive, Krupp), 15:49.

Penalties-Skrudland, Mtl, 6:37; Carbonneau, Mtl, 7:57; Vaive, Buf, 7:57; Vaive Buf, 18:40.

Shots on Goal-Montreal, 11-14-8-33. Buffalo, 6-15-9-30.

Power-play conversions-Montreal, 5-1. Buffalo, 4-1.

Goaltenders-Montreal, Roy. Buffalo, Puppa. A-16,135.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

Minnesota	0	1	1	-2
Los Angeles	2	2	1	-5

First period-1, Los Angeles, Robitaille 5 (Sandstrom, Gretzky), 7:51. 2, Los Angeles, Benning l (Gretzky, Robitaille), pp, 14:57.

Penalties-Craig, Min, 1:30; Krushelnyski, LA, 4:49; Bellows, Min, 5:17; Taglianetti, Min, 7:51; Sandstrom, LA, 7:51; Granato, LA, 9:40; Churla, Min, 12:58; Craig, Min, 18:09.

Second period-3, Los Angeles, Elik 3 (Robitaille, Taylor), 5:58. 4, Los Angeles, Krushelnyski 1 (Robinson, Blake), pp, 11:00. 5, Minnesota, Craig 2 (Propp, B. Smith), pp, 15:04.

Penalties-Modano, Min, 2:26; Bjugstad, LA, 2:26; Sandstrom, LA, 8:42; Min bench (served by Modano), 10:12; Wilkinson, Min, major (fighting), 11:48; Miller, LA, major (fighting), 11:48; Kudelski, LA, 14:26; Buskas, LA, 17:03.

Third period-6, Minnesota, Bellows 3 (N.Broten, Gagner), 0:20. 7, Los Angeles, Gretzky 6 (unassisted), en, 19:46.

Penalties-Granato, LA, 8:04; Murphy, Min, minor, 10-minute misconduct, game misconduct, 19:46.

Shots on goal-Minnesota 8-19-16-43. Los Angeles 10-9-8-27.

Power-play conversions-Minnesota 6-1. Los Angeles 6-2.

Goaltenders-Minnesota, Casey. Los Angeles, Berthiaume. A-12,281.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

Boston	0-1-0-1
Vancouver	1-0-2-3

First period-1, Vancouver, Sandlak 2, (Smyl), 0:22.

Penalties-Bourque, Bos, 2:40; Guy, Van, 6:59; Lidster, Van, 8:19; Sandlak, Van 15:16.

Second period-2, Boston, Byce 1, (Bourque), 6:34.

Penalties-Neely, Bos, minor, major (fighting), 4:29; Lidster, Van, major (fighting), 4:29; Stern, Van, double minor, 9:53; Petersen, Bos, 16:35.

Third period-3, Vancouver, Bradley 3, (Guy), 15:45. 4, Vancouver, Bradley 4, (Lidster), 16:57.

Penalties-Smyl, Van, 4:23; Douris, Bos, 7:16; Kron, Van, 7:16; D.Sweeney, Bos, 7:31; Boston bench, minor (too many men), 11:17; Capuano, Van, 13:12.

Shots on goal-Boston 12-7-5-24. Vancouver 5-5-9-19.

Power-play conversions-Boston 7-0. Vancouver 5-0.

Goalies-Boston, Moog. Vancouver, McLean. A-16,123.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

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TOKYO (OCT. 18) UPI - Three Japanese hostages were released Thursday by Iraq, and a fourth was expected to follow, Japan's Foreign Ministry said.

At least two of the four men were ill, a Foreign Ministry official said. He said he did not know why the other two were being released.

Yoshitomo Takeuchi, Kikuo Tomioka and Misao Kobori, all employees of Japanese companies, flew out of the Iraqi capital of Baghdad Thursday morning aboard an Iraqi airliner, officials said.

The flight was headed for Amman, Jordan, she said. The other hostage was being brought from somewhere outside Baghdad and was expected to fly out in the afternoon, a Foreign Ministry official said earlier.

The men ranged in age from 36 to 53, according to Japanese television reports.

Before this move, Iraq had been holding 141 Japanese as part of its ''human shield'' against attack, according to the ministry. Approximately 200 other Japanese are trapped inside Iraq and Kuwait but are not under detention, the ministry has said.

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GENEVA (OCT. 18) UPI - The Swiss National Bank said Thursday that restrictive monetary policy will be maintained and interest rates may even temporarily rise further to keep a cap on inflation.

National Bank President Markus Lusser said inflation had been falling because of tight money policies and high rates but began climbing again because of the jump in petroleum prices due to the Gulf crisis.

''We have to fight with determination against this tenacious inflation,'' Lusser said. ''Such a fight of necessity implies a temporary rise in interest rates.''

Switzerland ''has no other choice'' than to maintain a restrictive monetary policy, he told reporters at the National Bank's regular fall meeting with the press.

Inflation in Switzerland currently is increasing at an annual rate of 6.1 percent and pressure on prices remains high because of rising mortgage rates, rents, salary increases and petroleum product costs.

National Bank Vice President Hans Meyer said medium- and long-term Swiss monetary policy depends to a great extent on inflation and interest rates in the European Community.

''But interest rates will undoubtedly remain high on capital markets in coming months, and with credit demand remaining strong, the National Bank sees no reason at this time to modify its restrictive policies,'' Meyer said.

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BONN, GERMANY (OCT. 18) UPI - A former West German diplomat authorities say spied for East Germany out of conviction appeared in court Thursday to face charges of espionage and corruption.

The court case started amid a wave of arrests of East German spies that reportedly caused serious concern within the Soviet KGB.

Hagen Blau is accused of passing on to the East German Ministry for State Security - known as Stasi - details of West Germany's eastern policy and of western consultations on disarmament.

The state prosecutor said Blau refused payment for most of his 25 years as an agent but that he recently accepted $12,000 because his control insisted on it.

The prosecutor told a Duesseldorf court that Blau turned to ''socialist ideas'' during his studies and became a Stasi agent in 1960.

From 1965 until his arrest in April he worked in the West German embassies in Tokyo, London, Vienna and in the Sri Lankan capital of Colombo.

''His extraordinary knowledge, his excellent memory and his analytical capabilites gave the Stasi a good insight in German foreign policy,'' the state prosecutor said.

Blau is one of dozens of agents uncovered since East Germany's hardline communist leader Erich Honecker was ousted last Oct. 18. The arrests have continued since East Germany formally ceased to exist upon Oct. 3 German unification.

The latest wave of arrests reportedly caused serious concern within the KGB, which had worked in close cooperation with the Stasi.

The German Quick weekly said in its latest edition the KGB was planning to increase its activities in Germany to counteract its recent loses.

It quoted a former KGB top official, Maj. Gen. Oleg Kalugin, as saying that the KGB was moving away from military espionage and increasingly concentrating on ''industry, technology, economics and politics.''

Kalugin, who was recently stripped of his honors and pension after speaking out against the KGB, said the arrests caused ''a serious headache'' for the Soviet agency.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - Sharp increases in energy costs due to the Persian Gulf crisis pushed consumer prices up 0.8 percent in September, the same gain as the month before, the Labor Department reported Thursday.

Private economists had expected prices to gain as much as 0.9 percent because of the lingering impact of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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stemmed from higher petroleum-based energy prices. The index for gasoline prices gained a steep 9.5 percent and fuel oil prices soared a staggering 15.9 percent.

Excluding the often volatile energy prices, inflation at the consumer level increased 0.4 percent during the month, the same as in August.

Consumer prices rose at an annualized rate of 7.9 percent in the third quarter after gaining 8.5 percent in the first quarter and 6.6 percent in the second quarter.

The annual inflation rate stood at 6.6 percent at the end of September, compared to a gain of 4.9 percent during the same period last year.

In other areas, shelter costs moderated substantially during September while apparel prices rose more rapidly than in August and food prices gained 0.2 percent.

But it was the runup in energy prices that had the greatest effect on the economy, the department said. The index for energy commodities has advanced at an annual rate of 36.9 percent so far this year compared to a gain of 7.9 percent last year.

Food prices have moderated after a strong weather-related surge in the first quarter but shelter costs have advanced at a sharper pace than during the first nine months of last year.

During September, the index for food and beverage prices gained 0.3 percent, the same as the month before. Food on grocery shelves cost 0.2 percent more during the month, led by higher prices for fruits and vegetables.

Dairy products cost less during the month, with the index gaining only 0.2 percent after rising 1.3 percent in August. Prices for meats, poultry and fish rose while pork and egg prices declined.

Restaurant dining was more expensive during September, with meal prices rising 0.2 percent and alcoholic beverage prices up 0.5 percent.

Housing costs gained 0.4 percent after rising 0.7 percent in August. A small gain in shelter costs helped offset larger increases in household fuels and utilities.

The index for household fuels and utilities rose 1.3 percent for the second consecutive monthly gain. Fuel oil prices have risen 33.7 percent since the invasion of Kuwait.

Charges for natural gas and electricity advanced 1.5 percent and 0.6 percent, respectively, during the month.

Transportation costs rose 2.3 percent during September, with more than four-fifths of the increase attributed to skyrocketing gasoline prices.

Gasoline prices gained 9.5 percent during the month for a 17.9 percent two-month rise. Gasoline prices have gained 27.2 percent during the first nine months of the year.

Apparel and upkeep costs gained 0.7 percent in September and reamined 9.3 percent more expensive than a year ago.

Overall prices for medical goods and services continued to be more expensive, rising 0.7 percent in September to a level 9.3 percent above year-ago prices. Prescription drugs, non-prescription drugs and medical supplies rose 0.9 percent while medical services cost 0.6 percent more in September.

Consumers found little relief from higher prices by turning to entertainment, where costs gained 0.8 percent in September, the largest increase this year. Ticket prices rose for movies, concerts, plays and sporting events.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - Senators are backing up President Bush in his opposition to a tax hike for the wealthy. The Senate yesterday defeated an amendment to raise income tax rates for the rich from 28 percent to 33 percent... plus a 10 percent surtax. The defeated measure also would have held the proposed gas tax hike to five cents a gallon... instead of nine-and-a- half cents. The Senate will resume debate on the budget this morning.

House and Senate negotiators have agreed on a 288-BILLION dollar military budget for 1991. There is some dispute over what the deal means for the B-2 stealth bomber. Democratic Representative Lee Aspin says the proposal includes only enough money for 15 of the planes. The Pentagon once hoped for 75. The legislation must clear both chambers before it can go to President Bush for his consideration.

The secretary general of the U-N says that military action against Iraq ''would be perfectly legitimate'' should the Security Council sanction such a move. But Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar added that if the United Nations manages to resolve the crisis... it ''will then have to immediately make efforts concerning the Palestinian problem.'' The remarks were published yesterday in the German weekly magazine Stern.

Attorney General Dick Thornburgh says the federal prison system will begin requiring new inmates who do NOT have a high school degree to take classes to raise their literacy and educational levels. In Ottawa yesterday, Thornburgh announced the program with the goal that ''every inmate can leave prison a better person than when he or she entered.'' A recent government study shows that almost 75 percent of prisoners did NOT have a high school education.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled a seasonally adjusted 395,000 for the week ending Oct. 6, a decrease of 2,000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - The trade deficit edged up 2.4 percent to $9.34 billion in August on record imports and a surge in petroleum prices in the aftermath of Iraq's invasion of oil-rich Kuwait, the government said Thursday.

Private analysts expected a deficit of $9 billion.

August imports totaled $41.97 billion vs. $41.24 billion in July, while August exports - a source of economic strength this year - totaled $32.63 billion vs. $32.13 billion in July, the Commerce Department said.

In July, the nation's merchandise trade deficit stood at a revised $9.12 billion, adjusted for seasonal factors, according to the department's Census Bureau. In June, the shortfall fell to $5.34 billion.

The United States has been importing record levels of foreign oil to feed the nation's huge appetite for gasoline and other petroleum products.

But the number of barrels of oil entering the country actually dropped in August, even though the embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti allowed imports already in transit to enter U.S. ports.

But government data said the cost of August imports of petroleum products, not adjusted for seasonal factors, hit $4.81 billion compared with $3.98 billion in July - a jump of nearly 21 percent.

The price of crude oil imports alone shot up to $3.5 billion in August from $2.98 billion in July - an increase of about 17 percent.

The trade deficit with the Organization of Petroleum Countries, OPEC, hit $2.16 billion in August compared with $1.55 billion in July. The United States also ran deeper deficits with the oil producing countries of Saudi Arabia, Mexico, Venezuela and Nigeria.

The deficit with non-oil trading partner Japan also worsened in August, widening to $3.78 billion from $2.97 billion in July. But the deficit with Western Europe shrank, apparently reflecting the still healthy export sector.

''The July to August change in exports reflected increases in industrial supplies and materials, foods feeds and beverages, and automotive vehicles parts and engines,'' the Commerce Department said.

In addition to petroleum products, the August increase in imports reflected increases in industrial products and motor vehicles, the department also reported.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - A report from Germany says four former collaborators with the East German secret police are in the new German parliament. A daily German newspaper yesterday reported that the now-defunct East German parliament discovered the collaborators but let them remain lawmakers. In another

development... a German counter-intelligence official says the Soviet K-G-B is concentrating on stealing knowledge of industry, technology, and politics.

Senate Ethics Committee documents reportedly show three senators made extra efforts to help Charles Keating protect his failing savings and loan. Today's report says the papers detail the involvement of Democratic Senators Donald Riegle of Michigan, Alan Cranston of California and Dennis DeConcini of Arizona. The Ethics Committee's counsel recommends that the panel drop its investigation of Senators John McCain and John Glenn.

The E-P-A says one in every five American homes has health- threatening levels of radon in indoor air. The Environmental Protection Agency yesterday released new studies done in nine states last winter. The survey found the highest radon risks were in Nebraska... where more than half the homes have radon levels at which the E-P-A recommends protective action.

A new study finds nearly half of high school students have either joined in a racial or religious attack or believed the victims got what they deserved. But the survey released yesterday also found that 30 percent of the students were prepared to stop or condemn a racial or religious attack. The survey has prompted a national educational program by Northeastern University and Reebok International.

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NASHVILLE, TENN. (OCT. 18) UPI - The award-winning mother-daughter country music team the Judds is breaking up because of mother Naomi's chronic hepatitis but daughter Wynonna Judd will continue as a solo act.

''Today is pretty much the most difficult day of my life,'' Naomi Judd said Wednesday. ''It's the day I hoped would never come. I have to resign. I have to retire from the music industry that I love so much.''

The Judds have won six Grammy Awards and sold 6 million records since 1983. The duo was named the Country Music Association's vocal duo of the year for the third straight time Oct. 8.

''There's no way to tell you what these seven years have meant for me. It's been the adventure of a lifetime,'' Naomi Judd said.

Naomi, 44, was diagnosed with hepatitis in early January. The Judds took three months off but the layoff did not improve her condition, officials said.

In the spring, tests at the Mayo clinic in Minnesota showed that her condition was much more serious than she thought. She also discovered that she had been sick for four years.

''I will try to do a farewell tour. It will give me a chance to say goodbye to the fans who have meant so much to me,'' Naomi said.

Wynonna Judd, 26, said although her mother will not be a part of the team, she will remain a 50 percent partner in her solo career.

No date has been set for a finale performance.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - America's merchandise trade deficits and surpluses, in millions of dollars not adjusted for seasonal factors, by selected countries and country groups, as reported Thursday by the Commerce Department:

Country	Aug.	July
Canada	-509.9	-991.8
W. Europe	-374.0	-1,330.0
European Community	-235.6	-996.6
Britain	162.2	197.4
West Germany	-1,143.6	-998.9
France	146.9	-240.7
Japan	-3,780.2	-2,966.3
Aust., NZ., S.Afr.	374.3	404.9
Mexico	-38.0	-5.3
Brazil	-178.1	-335.0
Hong Kong	-396.9	-439.0
Taiwan	-1,211.2	-1,138.3
South Korea	-518.4	-622.9
OPEC	-2,157.3	-1,551.6
Venezuela	-466.4	-305.8
Saudi Arabia	-456.5	-259.3
Nigeria	-357.2	-355.8
Eastern Europe	N/A	69.5
USSR	-37.6	117.3
China	-1,143.9	-1,129.8

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JERUSALEM (OCT. 18) UPI - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said Thursday British and Israeli views on the Persian Gulf crisis were similar and he considered Israel's position a ''very shrewd one.''

Hurd ended his four-day visit to Israel with talks with Defense Minister Moshe Arens. Arens told Hurd he believed Palestinian support for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had harmed progress to an Israeli- Palestinian dialogue, Army

Radio reported.

During their discussion, Arens also told Hurd that Saddam had threatened to destroy Israel with chemical weapons before Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, but no one took the threat seriously.

Hurd told reporters after the meeting the two men primarily discussed the security situation in the region, the Persian Gulf crisis, and Saddam's possible next move. Hurd, the first British foreign secretary to visit Israel since 1984, said, ''Our views about the gulf crisis were very similar.''

''I think the Israeli position on the gulf crisis has been a very shrewd one and I quite understand the anxieties which (Iraq's invasion) caused,'' Hurd said, before departing for Athens.

Before the Oct. 8 Palestinian riots in Jerusalem's Old City, Israel had maintained a low profile regarding the Persian Gulf crisis, while consistenting repeating the country was prepared to defend itself if necessary.

Hurd did not make a departing statement at the airport.

During his earlier meetings with Israeli officials, Hurd also discussed Israel's refusal to cooperate with a U.N. inquiry into the Oct. 8 slayings of Palestinians on the Temple Mount. Arens told Hurd he wondered whether the violence had been instigated by Moslem radicals rather than politically motivated, Army Radio reported.

In an earlier interview with Israel Radio, Arens said Thursday the U.N. Security Council resolution on the Temple Mount slayings had condemned Israel before the inquiry began and there was no room for accepting such a delegation.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - Senate Ethics Committee documents show three senators made extra efforts to help Charles Keating protect his sinking thrift and had more frequent contact with the powerful businessman over a longer period than previously thought, The New York Times reported Thursday.

The newspaper said the confidential documents detailed the relationship between Keating and Sens. Donald Riegle of Michigan, Alan Cranston of California and Dennis DeConcini of Arizona, all Democrats.

They are among five senators under investigation by the Ethics Committee for their ties to Keating, who has been held on $5 million bail in Los Angeles since his indictment last month on charges of misleading investors about deals at his failed thirft, Lincoln Savings and Loan of Irvine, Calif.

The other two under investigation are Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz., and John Glenn, D-Ohio. The Ethics Committee's special counsel, Robert Bennett, has recommended that the panel drop their investigation of McCain and Glenn.

After interrogating the senators individually over the past two weeks, the the committee announced it would begin its deliberations Thursday but did not expect to disclose its decisions before the end of the day.

The committee can order public hearings as the next step in the investigation or dismiss the allegations against any or all of the five senators.

The five senators deny their involvement with Keating, an important political contributor, resulted in impropriety. The Ethics Committee is trying to decide whether to proceed with a formal investigation. A decision could be made this week, the Times reported.

Aides to some of the senators under scrutiny said it was unfair to draw conclusions based on documents that they contend were leaked to discredit their employers for political purposes.

The Times reported that people familiar with the investigation said there is no single document or event that constitutes a ''smoking gun.''

The documents show that Cranston and DeConcini used their elected positions to perform favors for Keating, including early-morning and late-night telephone calls to federal regulators on the businessman's behalf and urging the White House to name an associate of Keating to a federal banking agency.

Riegle was portrayed in the documents as the chief arranger of meetings between Keating and the senators.

The documents obtained by the committee showed examples of how DeConcini, Riegle and Cranston or their aides kept in close and frequent contact with Keating through letters, memos and meetings. The documents showed that the senators were informed of Keating's fund raising for them and they were told what help Keating expected from them.

The documents showed many links between Keating and the three senators long before and as long as two years after the much-publicized 1987 meetings between the senators and regulators on Keating's behalf at a time when the government was threatening to seize the California thrift.

Roger Martin, then a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, said in an affidavit Cranston called him at home late one night in March or April of 1989 concerned that an investor group led by former Rep. John Rousselot, R-Calif., that wanted to take over Lincoln before it failed, was not getting a fair hearing from federal regulators.

Martin, who said he received a similar call several hours later from DeConcini termed the contact unusual, saying he had never received a telephone call at home from a member of Congress regarding a board member.

The board eventually rejected the acquisition and the government seized Lincoln.

While it had been known Keating championed the appointment of Lee Henkel, a business associate, for an opening on the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, the documents show DeConcini encouraged the White House to make the appointment in June 1986. Henkel was later appointed.

The documents are among materials subpoenaed by the commitee investigating whether the senators broke Senate rules that forbid lawmakers to exceed the bounds of appropriate conduct in helping their supporters.

The nine-month investigation has been difficult for the committee because the rules are murky on what constitutes proper behavior for senators working on behalf of their constituents.

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BONN, GERMANY (OCT. 18) UPI - The Soviet KGB, alarmed by a wave of arrests of former East German spies, plans on increasing its activities in Germany, a top aide to German Chancellor Helmut Kohl said.

Since the beginning of the month, more than a dozen agents from the now-disbanded East German ministry for State Security, known as Stasi, have been arrested by the German authorities.

The weekly Quick magazine Wednesday quoted a top Soviet KGB official, Col. Kalugin, as saying the arrests caused ''a serious headache'' for the Soviet intelligence agency.

With the unification of East and West Germany on Oct. 3, the Bonn authorities have been able to gain insight on the extensive activities of the Stasi and Soviet intelligence services in Germany.

Lutz Stavenhagen, a German junior minister in charge of counter- intelligence, said the KGB is interested in Germany's financial and political future.

''The Soviet Union is particularly interested in high technology,'' Stavenhagen told the weekly. ''We're anticipating an increase of espionage activities in Germany.''

He said the KGB is moving away from military espionage and increasingly concentrating ''above all on industry, technology, economics and politics.''

Kalugin said East Germany had several top-ranking spies, particularly Markus Wolf, who headed the country's foreign intelligence agency.

Wolf, reputed to have been the most successful East-bloc spy, is on the wanted list in Germany. But when spycatchers knocked at his door just after unification, they found he had left - probably for the Soviet Union.

Several ex-Stasi agents joined the KGB after the East German agency was officially disbanded in February, Kalugin said. He said he did not know how many joined the Soviet agency.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - More hostages left Iraq this morning. Japan says Iraq released three Japanese hostages and probably will free a fourth. The Foreign Ministry in Tokyo says at least two of the four men are ill. The three businessmen flew out of Baghdad this morning. Iraq still holds 137 other Japanese hostages.

South Korean dissidents packed into a van tried to storm the U-S Embassy in Seoul today. But police arrested the group of 11. Police say one student suffered a head injury in being arrested. An embassy spokesman says a firebomb fell on the compound but did NOT explode.

French police stormed the Lebanese Embassy in Paris at dawn this morning. Police routed 20 supporters of the Christian general who lost his power struggle last week. Lebanon's government has frozen 30-Million dollars it says General Michel Aoun embezzled while he claimed to be the prime minister.

Killer bees have flown into the United States for the first time. The government says a swarm was detected in the Rio Grande Valley in Texas. The bees were wiped out soon after they were found. The killer bees sting with less provocation and in greater numbers than other varieties of bee.

Fighting broke out in the capital of El Salvador this morning. Leftist rebels attacked the air force base in San Salvador. The government says one mechanic was wounded. Streets around the base have been barricaded to try to cut off the rebels.

The former chairman of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange was sentenced to four years in prison today. He was convicted on corruption charges that stem from irregularities in stock share listings.

San Francisco Mayor Art Agnos says his city has bounced back quickly from the earthquake that struck a year ago. He says the most lucrative industry- tourism- is doing even better than before the quake.

South Americans felt two moderate earthquakes yesterday. One quake caused minor damage in the second-largest city in Peru. The other quake shook the Amazon region near the Brazilian border... but NO damage is reported.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 17: Purchases of 388,213 shares and sales of 516,253 shares including 26,899 shares sold short.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - Microsoft says it seeks prosecution of a counterfeit operation that may have introduced more than 30-thousand counterfeit copies of the M-S- DOS system. The software company is working on the case along with officials in Taiwan.

The Data General Corporation says it expects to start work within a month on a 127-Million-dollar government computer contract. Data General says it will go ahead with the work despite a congressional probe into the bidding.

A-T-and-T is being sued for 90-Million dollars. A Venezuelan computer firm filed suit in Miami, accusing A-T-and-T of racketeering and anti- trust violations in trying to monopolize telecommunications in Venezuela.

Officials in Colombia say the army raided the largest cocaine lab found in six years. The lab was capable of producing up to eight tons of cocaine a month. It was in a complex that has housing for 200 people.

Mormon leader Ezra Taft Benson is home from the hospital. The 91- year-old church leader spent 29 days hospitalized and underwent brain surgery twice. A church spokesman says doctors will monitor Benson in his Salt Lake City condo.

A U-S Navy ship is sheltering 50 Vietnamese refugees in the South China Sea. Sailors spotted the refugees in a crippled wooden boat two days ago. The Navy WON'T say where the refugees are being taken.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (OCT. 18) UPI - Egyptian police have arrested hundreds of men who resemble composite sketches of five suspected pro-Iraqi terrorists sought for last week's assassination of Egypt's parliament speaker, Interior Ministry sources said Thursday.

Authorities also have received almost 2,000 tips from Egyptians reporting that tenants, neighbors and strangers resemble the widely published drawings of the men who killed Rifaat El Mahgoub and five others Friday, in a machine-gun attack on the speaker's car in Cairo.

The interior minister received a detailed report on the assassination Thursday morning and officials said it would be released on Saturday.

Egyptian newspapers and security sources have said the gunmen were non-Egyptian, well-trained assassins working for Iraq, a bitter enemy of Egypt's in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Iraq, which triggered the crisis by invading Kuwait on Aug. 2, has denied the reports, alleging Mahgoub was killed by Egyptians unhappy with President Hosni Mubarak's pro-U.S. policy in the gulf.

Only a week prior to the assassination, Egypt had publicly accused Iraq of sending Palestinian terrorists into the country with a hit list of government officials and orders to destabilize the Egyptian government.

Investigators released composite sketches of the five suspects over the weekend and they have been prominently published on the front pages of Egyptian newspapers and in magazines.

Interior Ministry sources said hundreds of people have been arrested at airports and at the border as they attempted to leave the country. Most have been questioned and released.

Newspapers reported Thursday that the Interior Ministry had received 1,800 reports from suspicious tipsters who believed they recognized one or more of the suspects.

Egypt's state of emergency, imposed almost a decade ago following the assassination of President Anwar Sadat, gives police broad powers to arrest and question suspects.

The Al Gomhouria newspaper also reported that the Interior Ministry was providing special training for the guards of government officials. The newspaper said a special center was being established to better train guards how to ward off attack.

Security in general has been tightened in the country and the interior minister reportedly has ordered officials to carry weapons with them at all times.

Cairo was thrown into a panic Tuesday when a fake explosive device was discovered in a trash can at a crowded downtown Metro station. Officials said

the device was an empty can of insect repellent attached by wires to small batteries.

The initial reports a bomb had been discovered prompted a street demonstration by hundreds of Egyptians, who chanted anti-Iraq slogans.

Egypt has sent crack troops to Saudi Arabia to serve with a U.S.-led multinational force to counter further Iraqi aggression in the wake of the invasion of Kuwait.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - The Treasury Department postponed Thursday's scheduled auction of 52-week T-bills because Congress failed to complete action on increasing the debt limit in time for the offering.

But the department announced it would hold an auction of $12.5 billion in 69-day cash management bills Friday to meet the short term borrowing needs of the federal government.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $367.90 silver base of $4.22 and platinum price of $398.50:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$383.10	395.50
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	196.70	195.92
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	101.00	100.30
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	41.70	41.50
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	383.10	395.50
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	196.70	195.20
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	101.50	100.80
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	41.70	41.50
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	389.30	386.40
China Panda .50 troy oz.	200.60	199.10
China Panda .25 troy oz.	104.00	103.20
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	44.90	44.60
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	26.80	26.60
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	383.30	380.60
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	195.80	194.40
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	99.00	98.30
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	42.70	42.40

Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	381.40	378.30
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	197.60	196.00
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	101.40	100.60
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	43.20	42.90
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	381.20	377.70
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	196.00	194.20
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	83.30	82.50
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	43.60	43.20
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	22.40	22.20
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.63	$5.33
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,190	$3,140
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,375	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	413.00	415.00
Isle of Man Noble	410.00	404.00
Canada Maple Leaf	421.00	415.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - Japan says three Japanese hostages were released this morning by Iraq... and a fourth is expected to follow. Japan's Foreign Ministry says at least two of the four men are ill. Iraq is still holding 141 Japanese as part of its ''human shield'' against attack... plus another 300 Japanese trapped in Iraq and Kuwait.

French Police today threw out supporters of defeated Lebanese Christian General Michel Aoun from the Lebanese Embassy in Paris. The students had occupied the embassy since Saturday to support political asylum for Aoun in France. Political experts say the French public is deeply concerned about the fate of Maronite Christians in Beirut.

A convicted cop killer was sent to Virginia's electric chair last night... despite claims by his lawyers of new evidence that he saved the lives of prison guards during a 1984 uprising. An appellate court Tuesday rejected a delay of the execution... saying it would open new appeals to any death row inmate with a good prison record.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze flew to Vienna today to meet with his French counterpart, Roland Dumas. Analysts say the Soviet Union and France have similar approaches to seek a peacful resolution to the Gulf crisis.

The judge in the obscenity trial of 2 Live Crew yesterday told jurors they could laugh at recordings of the group's June rap concert played in court. If convicted... each band member could be sentenced up to one year on prison and fined one-thousand dollars.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - New York City Schools Chancellor Joseph Fernandez is reportedly considering creating several schools open only to young black teens. A published report today said the move would be modeled on a Milwaukee program meant to decrease the alarming proportions of young black failing students.

A new poll shows Democrat Dianne Feinstein and Republican Pete Wilson are running virtually neck-and-neck in their race for governor of California. A report says Feinstein plans to hammer away at what she describes as Wilson's ''absenteeism'' as a senator... while Wilson will push for a limit on the terms of elected state officials.

A non-profit coalition of scientists and engineers is planning a lunar mapping satellite that would become an outer space billboard for a major corporate sponsor logo. The Lunar Prospector Project in Houston would be the first lunar mission NOT funded by the U-S or Soviet governments.

U-S Customs agents in New York City yesterday arrested two South African men who allegedly tried to smuggle two-point-five-Million dollars worth of sophisticated computer equipment to the Soviet Union. The attempted deal allegedly involved an instrument that's vital for computerized weaponry.

The country music mother-daughter team of Naomi and Wynonna Judd is breaking up. Naomi Judd's chronic liver disease forced the breakup. Daughter Wynonna Judd will continue as a solo act. The Judds won the Country Music Association's Duo of the Year honor for the third year in a row last week.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (OCT. 18) UPI - A new international agency including the West and the Soviet Union may be needed to control the spread of new military technologies to countries like Iraq, NATO's top official said on Thursday.

''We must ensure that the global arms trade does not use the declining demand in our countries to pursue a ruthless export policy,'' said NATO Secretary

General Manfred Woerner.

He said the new agency would resemble the Coordinating Committee for Multilateral Export Controls, or COCOM, the Paris-based Cold War agency that strictly limited Western technology exports to Warsaw Pact countries.

''We should consider the creation of a new, but now global and enlightened 'COCOM,' based on the cooperative participation of all technologically advanced countries, including the Soviet Union,'' Woerner said in a speech at the University of Istanbul, where he received an honorary doctorate.

Copies of the speech were made available in Brussels.

Woerner said the Persian Gulf crisis, triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, shows that new dangers exist to replace four decades of Cold War tensions.

''The indiscriminate proliferation of new military technologies, and in particular, of weapons of mass destruction, would destabilize our globe at a moment when we are just overcoming the former East-West rivalry which has often nourished regional conflicts in the past,'' he said.

Woerner has called for re-examination of the NATO charter's restriction on ''out-of-area'' military involvement, but said there are limits on the alliance's role.

''Let me state clearly that I am not advocating an alliance which would claim responsibility for every global problem and attempt to police every regional dispute,'' he said. ''This would not only over- stretch our physical capacities, but also undermine our solidarity to no one's ultimate benefit.''

Woerner praised Turkey, which has NATO's second-largest army, for its unwavering opposition to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

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#90291u0803 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - Mayor Marion Barry is threatening to invoke curfews in some neighborhoods and request help from the National Guard if violence in the nation's capital does not subside.

Barry, who was convicted on a misdemeanor drug charge in August, cited the ''hideousness'' of nine slayings that occurred in the city last weekend and said the dramatic rise of violence calls for ''something drastically different.''

Barry, who is not seeking a fourth term as mayor, is one of seven candidates competing for two at-large seats on the City Council. He made the comments at

a political forum Wednesday night.

While Barry has rejected past suggestions to summon the National Guard, even as the city set a homicide record last year, he said the recent violence has gotten ''out of hand.''

''Now there are people getting killed and they're found with tape wrapped around their mouths,'' Barry said. ''We've got to find new, creative ways to stop it.''

Police described three of the nine killings last weekend as ''execution-style'' and two of the victims were found handcuffed in a Volkswagen with their faces bound with duct tape. The three murders were apparently drug-related, police said.

The spate of violence has pushed the district's murders for 1990 to 373, 21 more than this time last year.

In response to the crime wave, Police Chief Isaac Fulwood has established a special unit of 100 officers to help curb the violence. The unit has a 90-day mandate to achieve some results, Fulwood said.

But Barry said that if there is no sign that the unit has slowed the violence after a month, he would establish a nightly curfew in neighborhoods where crime and violence are high.

If that doesn't work, the National Guard will be summoned to set up nightly roadblocks in high-crime areas around the city, Barry said.

''That would aid us greatly at night,'' Barry said. ''We could have 40 roadblocks. We could check for illegal licenses, for guns, drugs, any other illegal contraband being brought in here from Maryland and Virginia.''

Barry said he has spoken to Fulwood about his plans and also has asked city attorneys to research the legality of imposing an emergency curfew in parts of the district.

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#90291u0806 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 18) UPI - Iraq offered to sell its oil at half price to all comers Thursday but it appeared few countries would take up the offer to crack the economic embargo against the besieged country.

''Iraq is ready to sell oil to all companies and powers, including the United States, with a price of $21 a barrel,'' Oil Minister Issam Abdul Raheem told the official Iraqi news agency INA.

Oil prices on the world market had hovered at $40 a barrel because of the Persian Gulf crisis, although they have dropped recently due to optimistic Soviet reports the 8-week-old crisis may be settled peacefully.

Iraq last month offered its embargoed oil free to Third World countries but none were known to have accepted the crude.

''This is just another example of Iraq trying to grab the spotlight but like the other offer it's just an empty gesture,'' said a Cairo- based Western diplomat.

In Vienna, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and his French counterpart Roland Dumas arrived for discussions expected to include the gulf crisis.

Shevardnadze reiterated the Soviet view that no compromise is acceptable short of Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait and that there is ''no direct connection'' between the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait and the conflict in the Israeli-occupied territories.

The crisis triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2 remained a divisive issue at an Arab League meeting in Tunis called to discuss a united Arab response to the massacre last week of Palestinians in Jerusalem by Israeli security forces.

Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency said Yemeni delegates walked out of the meeting early Thursday morning, followed by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

MENA said the meeting was beset by disputes, including a vocal one between the Saudis and the Yemenis over the recent expulsion of thousands of Yemeni workers from Saudi Arabia.

Yemen, one of the few Arab countries sympathetic to Iraq during the cris, has criticized the multinational force deployed in Saudi Arabia to counter Iraqi aggression.

The Yemenis and the Iraqis eventually left the meeting, MENA said. The news agency reported Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat spoke for an hour on the Palestinian stand in the gulf, which has been favorable toward Iraq.

Middle East news reports said Arafat held an unusual meeting Wednesday with Saudi Foreign Minister Saud al-Faisal in Rabat, where the two attended a meeting of the Jerusalem Committee, an Arab group that determines Arab-Israeli policy.

Details of the meeting were not disclosed.

In other developments Thursday, Iraq released three Japanese hostages and the Voice of America reported Iraqi soldiers were deserting from occupied Kuwait.

Officials in Tokyo said the three Japanese men, who were ill, flew from Baghdad to Amman and that a fourth man was expected to follow.

Japan has pledged billions of dollars to help fund the multinational force assembled against Iraq but has not sent troops because it is prohibited by its constitution.

Iraq, holding thousands of foreign men hostage as insurance against Western attack, has released a few each day as gestures of good will.

MENA said the VOA quoted a high ranking Washington official as saying Iraqi soldiers were deserting, but provided no details.

Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov left Thursday for Washington from Paris, where he met with President Francois Mitterrand. The Soviet trouble-shooter, who met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad two weeks ago, has repeatedly indicated Iraq's resolve may be weaking.

''I can tell you that in a diplomatic manner I do not dismiss the possibility that the Iraqi position could be more flexible,'' Primakov told reporters Wednesday.

But publicly, there seemed few indications of peace by the major players in the gulf. Iraq reiterated Wednesday it would never pull out of Kuwait and U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar said military intervention against Baghdad would be legitimate if sanctions do not budge Iraqi troops from the occupied emirate.

Iraqi first deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan arrived unexpectedly in Amman Thursday. His tour of North Africa has put him in contact with Tunisian President Zain Al Abedeen Ben Ali, Morocco's King Hassan II and Chadian officials. He delivered messages from Saddam

Sources in Amman said that Ramadan may meet with Jordan's King Hussein to brief him on the results of the tour.

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NAIROBI, KENYA (OCT. 18) UPI - Rwanda has asked that a European Community peace-keeping force be sent to guarantee a proposed ceasefire in its 19- day civil war, the east African country's Kenyan ambassador said Thursday.

Kenyan Ambassador to Rwanda, Cyprien Habimana, told United Press International

that Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana, in talks Wednesday with Uganda's Yoweri Museveni, had proposed the idea to prevent more rebels crossing from Uganda into his country, and that the Ugandan president had accepted it.

He also said Rwanda had agreed to accelerate moves to convert its military government into a multi-party democracy, originally planned to come into force in 1992.

''This will happen very soon,'' Habimana said, but could not give a date. ''If the opposition wants democracy we will let them form parties, '' he said.

A Belgian Embassy spokesman confirmed the EC monitoring force proposal and said the idea would be mooted at an EC ministerial meeting in Luxemburg Monday.

''If it were agreed, this would be an EC first,'' he noted, however. ''There may be countries among the 12 who would be opposed.''

He said he was not in a position to comment on the possibility of a joint Franco-Belgian peace-keeping force. French and Belgian troops are already in Rwanda, sent two weeks ago to protect Europeans living in the former Belgian protectorate.

Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens, together with his foreign and defense ministers, flew Thursday to Rwanda's southern neighbor Burundi for talks with the government on the crisis.

About 2,000 exiled refugee Rwandans stormed into the north of the country Sept. 30 demanding the removal of President Habyarimana and causing a political storm across east Africa as regional governments accused Uganda of stirring up trouble.

Uganda's Museveni has sworn he knew nothing of invasion plans and agreed Wednesday to propose a ceasefire to the rebels.

Habyarimana for his part agreed to talk to them if a ceasefire was put in place.

''There are no other conditionalities,'' Museveni said Thursday in Kampala. ''President Habyarimana said that he would have talks with the rebels if they accept a ceasefire.''

A spokesman for the rebel Rwandese Patriotic Front told reporters in Brussels Wednesday, however, that his group was not prepared to talk to Habyarimana and continued to demand his resignation.

The rebel force, mainly composed of long-term refugees from tribal persecution in the 1960s, has accused Habyarimana's government of being corrupt, cliquish and regionalist.

Habyarimana, who flew to Paris Thursday to meet President Francois Mitterand, is a member of Rwanda's majority Hutu tribe. The Hutu overturned centuries of domination by the minority Tutsi in brutal massacres between 1959 and 1963, a year after independence of Belgian rule.

Museveni said Rwanda had agreed in principle that all Rwandese refugees should be allowed to return to their country but that how this was to be achieved was not yet clear.

There are close to half a million Rwandese scattered over assorted east African countries, with 80,000 in Uganda alone.

Habyarimana said this year that Rwanda - the most densely populated country in Africa - had no room for returning exiles, a statement which the rebels havelisted among their grievances against him.

He and Museveni agreed Wednesday to contact the United Nations High Commission for Refugees and the Organizationof African Unity to sponsor a regional conference on the refugee problem.

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#90291u0813 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, the Philippines (OCT. 18) UPI - Communist guerrillas raided a northern military communications relay station Thursday and set it ablaze, killing two army soldiers and wounding four others, the armed forces chief said.

Gen. Renato de Villa said the guerrillas of the communist New People's Army struck at 1:20 a.m. at the relay station in San Jose, 85 miles north of Manila.

De Villa said the rebels killed two troopers and wounded four others, including a captain. After setting the station on fire the guerrillas fled with seven assault rifles and a walkie-talkie.

The 19,000-member NPA has been waging a 19-year-old war to set up a Marxist state.

In Cotabato city, 500 miles south of Manila, troops killed six Moslem separatist guerrillas Thursday.

National Police Capt. Gani Asera said the soldiers were tracking down a suspect in the recent killing of Norodin Matalam, 14, son of the Cotabato province governor, when they clashed with about 40 Moslem guerrillas.

Asera also reported unidentified gunmen shot and killed Mama Pandala, son of a provincial official, as he was riding a tricycle in Cotabato city.

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#90291u0828 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

KARACHI, PAKISTAN (OCT. 18) UPI - A second high court Thursday upheld the constitutionality of President Ghulam Ishaq Khan's decision to sack Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto last summer and dissolve the National Assembly.

The ruling by the high court of southern Sind Province ended the last legal challenge to the president's order and was seen as a blow to Bhutto's chances of returning to power.

The five-member bench of the high court dismissed petitions filed by the ousted prime minister and members of her Pakistan People's Party challenging the president's decree as unconstitutional.

The high court in the northeastern city of Lahore issued a similar ruling Sunday.

Ishaq Khan dismissed Bhutto's 20-month-old government on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to keep law and order, and dissolved the National Assembly.

He appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi as caretaker prime minister until elections he set for Oct. 24.

Bhutto, 37, is facing charges of corruption while in office before Special Disqualification Courts that Ishaq Khan established in what many believe was an attempt to bar her and members of her administration from the elections.

She has denied the charges but if convicted could be barred from politics for seven years.

Bhutto's husband, businessman Asif Ali Zardari, was charged last week with kidnapping and extortion and remanded to custody until Oct. 23.

However, some analysts say the attempts to malign Bhutto and her administration and keep her from power have been counter-productive and have evoked a wave of sympathy for her.

Bhutto Thursday addressed more than 50,000 cheering supporters in the city of Mardan, about 70 miles west of Islamabad, and later traveled in a massive and colorful procession to Peshawar, capital of Northwest Frontier Province, to tour the city and attend an evening rally.

She reiterated her contention she i being victimized by the president and the caretaker government.

''The president's action was illegal and unconstitutional,'' she told the crowd in Mardan. ''Our party stand for fair play and justice.''

Bhutto is a candidate for a National Assembly seat in Peshawar and from her hometown in Larkana, in Sind Province.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 18) UPI - Economist Abel Aganbegyan Thursday defended Mikhail Gorbachev's abandonment of a dash to a market economy and said new government guidelines will allow the republics to chose whatever reform formula they want.

In a political shock Wednesday night, the co-author of the radical 500-day plan, Grigory Yavlinksy, 36, resigned his post as deputy prime minister of the Russian Republic because of Gorbachev's rejection of the formula.

Thursday, Aganbegyan, one of Gorbachev's earliest economic advisers, all but buried the radical formula, telling Parliament the 500-day blueprint was too detailed, unrealistic and could lead to hyperinflation.

But Aganbegyan stressed Gorbachev's new outline, a 70-page document of guidelines to stablize the economy, allows the 15 Soviet republics to chose any formula they want and then implement it.

''For instance, the Russian Republic can select the 500-day plan and Kirghizia (a Central Asian republic) may be leaning to the moderate radical government program,'' Aganbegyan told the Supreme Soviet, or parliament.

But Aganbegyan's detailing of the guidelines almost page by page seemed to rule out the 500-day plan's abandonment of subsidies, closing of unprofitable factories, privatization of property and enteprises, and eventual disbandonment of most industrial branch ministries.

He said flatly the central command of the economy was still needed for a while and mocked the radical formula's promise to balance the budget within a year. He said even the current goal of reducing the 1989 deficit of $204 billion to $102 billion this year might not be met.

Aganbegyan said the new Gorbachev formula would seek to cut the deficit to $40 billion or $51 billion ''and even to get down to that will need super-tough measures that will produce super hostility in some quarters.''

But in stressing that prices might indeed go up but gradually, Aganbegyan was assuaging the fears of deputies and their constituents who are mortified by the idea of a market economy after 70 years of cradle-to-grave socialism.

Likewise, his assuring the deputies that on Jan. 1, ''we will not close down

all unprofitable collective farms and enterprises'' also soothed fears about unemployment in the nation that guarantees each person a job in a constitutional clause.

The debate on how to extricate the nation from its economic crisis began last spring with the touting of a regulated economic plan. It then dragged on through the summer with the appearance of a 500-day plan initiated by Boris Yeltsin, the Russian Federation's president, and is now raging into its seventh week this fall in Parliament.

Observers were forecasting that a formal vote might be likely Saturday in part because of the feeling that some step must be taken and that Gorbachev would institute the new guidelines anyhow by decree.

Oleg Bogomolov, the head of the Institute of World Economy and a radical economist, noted Gorbachev had already issued two economic decrees on wholesale prices and contracts.

''He has already been implementing the program,'' Bogomolov said. ''It is a fact.''

Stanislav Shatalin, 56, the co-author of the plan alongside Yavlinsky who resigned Wednesday, was in the United States while his plan was in effect buried. He is a member of the Presidential Council.

Aganbegyan, a stout Armenian who fell out of favor in 1988, re- emerged suddenly in late summer as Gorbachev waffled between the moderate plan of Nikolai Ryzhkov and the Shatalin plan. He was given the task of looking at alternatives.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - Government figures show inflation grew last month. Consumer prices rose eight-tenths of one percent. The Labor Department says sharp increases in energy costs due to the Persian Gulf crisis caused higher prices for Americans. The September increase is the same as the month before. More than one-third of the gain in the Consumer Price Index stems from higher petroleum-based energy prices.

Another unfavorable economic report also came out this morning. The government says the merchandise trade deficit increased by two and four- tenths percent in August. Again, the part of the reason was higher petroleum prices. August imports totaled 41-BILLION 970-Million dollars... while exports totaled 32-BILLION 63-Million dollars.

Northwest Airlines said today it has grounded 12 planes and canceled up to 50 flights because liquid soap was pumped into the hydraulic systems of some of

its McDonnell Douglas D-C-9 jets. An airline spokesman says the soap looks like hydraulic fluid. Northwest says a mechanic in Atlanta made the mistake several days ago. Northwest discovered the problem yesterday and immediately grounded the planes involved. The airline says it would take a few weeks for the soap to cause hydraulic systems to fail.

The only clean air issue left for Congress to tackle this year is acid rain. House and Senate negotiators reached a tentative agreement yesterday on requirements for industry to reduce pollution caused by toxic and cancer-causing chemicals. They are expected to meet today to ratify the accord. Cuts in smog and ozone-depleting emissions were agreed on previously.

A tribal court jury on the nation's largest Indian reservation has convicted the suspended Navajo tribal chairman, Peter MacDonald, of bribery, conspiracy and violating tribal ethics standards. MacDonald's son also was convicted by the jury in Window Rock, Arizona. They were accused of collecting about a quarter-Million dollars in kickbacks from companies doing business on the reservation.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-86.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 128.00-130.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 42.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 48.00-55.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $235.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $391.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $400.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$114.17 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 298.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Calif Water Svc	Q	.43 1/2	11-15	11-1
Charter One Bncp	Q	.15	11-2	10-26
Cincinnati G&E	Q	.60	11-15	10-29
Fincl Trust Corp	Q	.36	11-9	10-29
Fort Wayne Natl	Q	.25	1-1	12-14
NCR Corp	Q	.35	2-8	1-11
Norcen Energy Res	Q	.15	12-1	11-13
Pacific Gas & Elect	Q	.38	1-15	12-17
Sherwin-Williams	Q	.19	11-30	11-16
Sonoco Products	Q	.23	12-10	11-16
St Paul Bancorp	Q	.10	11-13	10-31
Texas Industries	Q	.05	11-30	11-2
Versa Technologies	Q	.06	11-12	10-31

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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(OCT. 18) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Ameritrust Corp (3rd Q)	
....	....

$14,000,000 (.33) $30,000,000 (.78)

Amgen Inc (2nd Q 9-30)
$78,844,000 $39,577,000
$14,314,000 (.33) $3,912,000 (.11)

Ashton-Tate (3rd Q)
$60,400,000 $53,916,000
$1,052,000 (.04) d-$19,369,000
d-Deficit.

AT&T Company (3rd Q)
$9,355,000,000 $8,896,000,000
$712,000,000 (.65) $699,000,000 (.65)

BankAmerica Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
....
$283,000,000 (1.26) $254,000,000 (1.16)

Baxter Intl (3rd Q)
$2,020,000,000 $1,808,000,000
$135,000,000 (.46) $102,000,000 (.34)

Bell Atlantic (3rd Q)
$3,098,700,000 $2,909,400,000
$358,400,000 (.91) $344,100,000 (.86)

BHC Communications (3rd Q)
$65,869,000 $58,212,000
$32,586,000 (1.12) a-$800,305,000 (26.68)
a-Includes net of about $787,000,000 on the sale of 63 percent of BHC's former interest in Warner Communications Inc.

Black & Decker (3rd Q)
$1,274,100,000 a-$1,048,700,000
$18,200,000 (.30) d-$29,000,000
a-Excludes revenues from Dynapert and PRC, whose results were reconsolidated.
d-Deficit, after a one-time charge of $21,400, 000 (.36), for termination of interest-rate swaps.

Bowater Inc (3rd Q 9-29)
$346,558,000 $360,067,000
$23,659,000 (.63) $35,458,000 (.95)

Calfed Inc (3rd Q)
....
d-$51,200,000 $26,700,000 (1.01)
d-Deficit.

Caterpillar Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$2,715,000,000 $2,578,000,000
$54,000,000 (.54) $108,000,000 (1.07)

Colgate-Palmolive (3rd Q)
$1,457,879,000 $1,259,935,000
$84,436,000 (1.20) $76,724,000 (1.06)

Dana Corp (3rd Q)
$1,201,300,000 $1,120,300,000
$16,800,000 (.41) $29,600,000 (.72)

Digital Equipment (1st Q 9-30)
$3,093,370,000 $3,131,190,000
$26,177,000 (.21) $150,783,000 (1.20)

Dow Chemical (3rd Q)
$4,919,000,000 $4,250,000,000
$284,000,000 (1.04) $589,000,000 (2.19)

Ecolab Inc (3rd Q)
$388,498,000 $369,765,000
$23,440,000 (.91) $18,355,000 (.67)

First Bancorp of Ohio (3rd Q)
....
$7,781,000 (.62) $9,302,000 (.74)

First Security (3rd Q)
....
$11,363,000 (.83) $11,804,000 (.87)

GATX Corp (3rd Q)
$224,800,000 a-$181,400,000
$20,800,000 (.91) $17,800,000 (.88)
a-Restated.

Inland Steel Indus (3rd Q 9-30)
$959,638,000 $981,204,000
d-$2,208,000 $18,272,000 (.43)
d-Deficit

ITT Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$5,032,000,000 $4,922,000,000
$224,000,000 (1.73) $221,000,000 (1.55)

Kennametal Inc (1st Q 9-30)

$152,138,000 $135,669,000
$6,920,000 (.66) $6,478,000 (.62)

Loctite Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$138,890,000 $114,914,000
$17,613,000 (.97) $14,423,000 (.80)

MCA Inc (3rd Q)
$1,061,297,000 $894,442,000
a-$61,416,000 (.71) $62,677,000 (.85)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Michigan Natl (3rd Q)
....
$8,373,000 (.56) a-$116,607,000 (7.54)
a-Includes a $225,000,000 pre-tax gain on the sale of the corporation's credit card portfolio.

Northrop Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,277,400,000 $1,245,600,000
$42,400,000 (.90) $21,500,000 (.46)

Owens-Corning (3rd Q)
$823,000,000 $743,000,000
$35,000,000 (.84) $38,000,000 (.89)

Pacific Gas & Elec (3rd Q 9-30)
$2,597,650,000 $2,245,948,000
$394,181,000 (.88) $317,022,000 (.69)

Painewebber Group (3rd Q)
$720,651,000 $719,392,000
$9,566,000 (.15) $16,832,000 (.41)

Primerica Corp (3rd Q)
$1,502,500,000 $1,470,000,000
$94,000,000 (.82) $78,300,000 (.80)

Provident Bankshares (3rd Q)
....
$1,007,000 (.17) $956,000 (.16)

Republic Capital Group (3rd Q)
....
$1,051,000 (.61) $562,000 (.34)

St Jude Medical (3rd Q)
$41,193,000 $35,447,000

$15,686,000 (.33) $12,072,000 (.25)

Schlumberger Ltd (3rd Q)
$1,323,755,000 $1,106,352,000
$147,419,000 (.62) $114,219,000 (.48)

TCF FInancial (3rd Q)
$115,434,000 $132,803,000
$4,093,000 (.57) $3,218,000 (.44)

Textron (3rd Q 9-29)
$1,899,300,000 $1,741,200,000
$66,600,000 (.75) $59,500,000 (.66)

Torchmark Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$461,165,000 $410,333,000
$61,151,000 (1.15) $54,922,000 (1.02)

Total Petroleum No Amer (3rd Q)
$746,300,000 $584,300,000
$36,800,000 (1.07) $10,400,000 (.30)

Trinova Corp (3rd Q)
$472,572,000 $456,221,000
a-$8,720,000 (.30) d-$29,679,000
a-Income from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

UJB Financial (3rd Q)
....
d-$19,800,000 $31,400,000 (.69)
d-Deficit.

Union Camp (3rd Q)
$707,774,000 $667,320,000
$51,588,000 (.75) $76,045,000 (1.11)

U S West Inc (3rd Q)
$2,482,600,000 $2,323,000,000
$302,600,000 (.77) $258,100,000 (.69)

Westcorp Inc (3rd Q
....
$2,798,000 (.17) $1,319,000 (.08)

Waste Management (3rd Q)
$1,585,343,000 $1,186,729,000
$190,776,000 (.40) $151,779,000 (.33)

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(OCT. 18) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Oct. 18:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	53	12
Amsterdam r	1pm	60	15
Ankara pc	3pm	73	23
Athens c	2pm	75	24
Auckland r	12m	58	14
Beijing c	8pm	62	17
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	67	19
Bonn cy	1pm	62	16
Brussels cy	1pm	61	16
Cairo c	2pm	84	29
Casablanca cy	12n	76	25
Copenhagen cy	1pm	55	13
Dakar pc	12n	88	31
Dublin r	1pm	52	11
Geneva c	1pm	64	18
Helsinki cy	2pm	46	08
Hong Kong pc	8pm	77	25
Jerusalem pc	2pm	82	28
Karachi c	5pm	93	34
Lisbon pc	1pm	64	18
London cy	1pm	59	15
Madrid cy	1pm	61	16
Malta c	1pm	79	26
Manila hz	8pm	81	27
Moscow c	3pm	63	17
Nairobi cy	3pm	77	25
Nassau c	7am	78	26
New Delhi c	6pm	86	30
Nice r	1pm	63	17
Oslo cy	1pm	50	10
Paris r	1pm	58	15
Pretoria c	2pm	80	27
Riyadh	3pm	93	34
Rome pc	1pm	73	23
Seoul c	9pm	56	14
Sofia pc	2pm	64	18
Stockholm cy	1pm	51	11
Sydney c	10pm	68	20

Taipei pc	8pm	73	23
Tokyo cy	9pm	69	21
Tunis pc	1pm	78	26
Vienna pc	1pm	62	17
Warsaw c	1pm	64	18
Latin America			
Buenos Aires pc	9am	69	21
Caracas	8am	-	-
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	60	16
Mexico City hz	6am	56	13
Rio de Janeiro pc	9am	73	23
Santiago c	8am	51	10
Canada			
Calgary pc		39	03
Edmonton cy		45	07
Montreal cy		54	12
Ottawa cy		62	16
Regina pc		40	04
Toronto r		75	24
Vancouver cy		51	10
Winnipeg cy		38	03

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Constantine Nicandros, the president of Conoco Inc., said Thursday there would be a significant increase in the oil industry's third-quarter profits due to spiraling crude prices from the Persian Gulf crisis.

The earnings increase would vary depending on whether particular companies are focused more on pumping crude oil than on refining and marketing, but ''on average there is going to be a significant increase in earnings over last year's third quarter,'' Nicandros told a meeting of energy reporters.

He said Houston-based Conoco, a subsidiary of E.I. Du Pont de Nemours & Co. of Wilmington, Del., had planned before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait to raise its total capital investment spending in 1991 to more than $2 billion compared to this year's $1.5 billion to $1.6 billion.

The $2 billion could be increased about 10 percent as a result of the greater cash income from higher prices, he said.

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BERLIN (OCT. 18) UPI - Berlin authorities Thursday were investigating a massive scandal in which former East German state security agents allegedly defrauded Berlin's Foreign Trade Bank of as much as $2 billion.

Police said they arrested four men in Berlin and Leipzig earlier this week. The suspects allegedly ran a complicated racket making use of regulations in treaties covering the July 1 economic union of East and West Germany and the Oct. 3 reunification of the two countries.

Three of the four men arrested were officers of the state security agency, known as Stasi, assigned to ''special operations.'' The fourth is a West German with a police record. Police said they were searching for a fifth suspect.

The four men apparently created several companies on paper and forged documents showing exports of non-existent goods to eastern European countries in order to obtain huge sums of money from the bank - estimates run at between $335 million to $2 billion.

Formerly, the then-East German Foreign Trade Bank paid exporters in East German marks for deals conducted in ''convertible'' units for transactions within the East Bloc. Since the July 1 German economic and monetary union, the firms have been paid in German marks.

''This kind of thing could not have been set up by individuals,'' said Wolfgang Schomberg,'' Berlin's state secretary for justice. ''It is '' justice. ''It is

Stasi, the state security police of the communist leadership ousted one year ago, was officially disbanded early this year, but recent reports indicate former agents have organized themselves in groups which one German daily compared to the mafia.

''In any case, the amount involved is over one billion marks, and probably three billion,'' Schomberg said.

But Berlin justice senator Jutta Limbach denied the sum was that high and said

the fraud involved at most $335 million, of which the bank recovered $171 million.

The formally state-owned East German Foreign Trade Bank is now 51 percent owned by the Staatsbank of Berlin and 24 percent by the federal government.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 18) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Thursday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 66-72.

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OTTAWA (OCT. 18) UPI - Canada's trade surplus fell $205.8 million to $797 million in August after shipments of automobiles, trucks and aircraft dropped significantly, Statistics Canada reported Thursday.

The federal government's information agency said merchandise exports, which fell for the third consecutive month in August, totaled $9.9 billion, off $438.2 million from the previous month. At the same time, imports fell $207 million to $9.2 billion.

Specifically, machinery and equipment imports fell $255.6 million, while imports of motor vehicle parts decreased $283 million. Car imports rose in August, resulting in an overall drop of $43 million in the automotive products sector.

According to agency figures, the merchandise trade surplus of $797 million posted in August was $231 million lower than the surplus registered in July. However, the decline was smaller than the $530 million decrease noted between June and July.

The merchandise trade surplus for the first eight months of the year totaled $5.9 billion compared to $4.3 billion for the same period in 1989.

Canada also posted a trade surplus with the United States of $1.2 billion, down from the $1.4 billion surplus recorded in July.

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WASHNGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - Social Security and Supplemental Security Income beneficiaries will receive a 5.4 percent cost-of-living increase starting next year, the government said Thursday.

The automatic cost-of living adjustments for the nation's retirees are made annually based on the rise in the Consumer Price Index. Beneficiaries will receive these increases regardless of the federal deficit reduction package that may eventually emerge.

The 40 million Social Security recipients will see a 5.4 percent increase in their Jan. 3, 1991, check. The average monthly Social Security benefit amount for all retired workers will rise from $571 to $602.

The 4.5 million Supplemental Security Income beneficiaries, who are low-income Americans, will receive their increase in their Dec. 31, 1990, check. The maximum SSI monthly payment will go up from $386 to $407 for an individual and from $579 to $610 for a couple.

Here is how the average monthly Social Security check will look after the 5.4 percent increase:

-For all retired workers, from $571 to $602. -For an elderly couple, both receiving benefits, from $970 to $1,022. -For a widowed mother and two children, from $1,141 to $1,203. -For a elderly widow or widower living alone, from $528 to $557. -For a disabled worker, spouse and one or more children, from $970 to $1,022. -For all disabled workers, from $557 to $587.

Also, the maximum Social Security benefit a worker can receive retiring at age 65 will be $1,022 a month, up from last year's $975.

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MEXICO CITY (OCT. 18) UPI - Rotting garbage, industrial waste and vehicle fumes have fouled the atmosphere in the Mexican capital and other major Latin American cities, but a once aesthetic concern is only beginning to be treated as a serious health problem and major threat to future generations.

After years of paying lip service to the growing haze over their big cities, the governments have awakened to the fact that the pollution levels are not just unacceptable by international standards, but dangerous and ''terrifying '' in the words of Chilean Health Minister Jorge Jimenez.

Mexico has initiated a number of programs in the past two years, and this week announced an ambitious cleanup program that will cost $2.5 billion, 40 percent

of that in soft loans from Britain, Japan, the United States, France and Germany.

''Without the program, pollution levels in Mexico City would double by the year 2000,'' said Mexico City Mayor Manuel Camacho Solis.

The government has pledged to stop major new water or oil-consuming industries from setting up in the capital, and says it will seek ways to relocate others.

Vehicle emissions tests that forced motorists to tune up their cars, and a ''day-without-a-car'' program under which drivers must leave their automobiles at home one day a week have had limited effects on reducing pollution in the past year, particularly in lead levels that continue to exceed international standards.

The government oil company Petroleos Mexicanos - singled out by environmentalists as a major culprit - has put oxygenating additives in its leaded gasoline and begun selling a new unleaded gasoline for 1991 model cars that are fitted with catalytic converters.

Industry has been mentioned in the past, but the new plan is the first time the government has made a commitment to relocate factories or ban new construction.

Opinions vary on the effects of general levels of pollution on health.

Gonzalo Juarez of the Mexican Health Ministry acknowledged the pollution aggravates respiratory conditions, particularly in the very young and the old, and is a major cause of conjuntivitis.

''The pollution doesn't actually cause respiratory diseases, but it aggravates them, particularly in small children and old people,'' he said. ''Health clinics generally advise people to stay indoors when the pollution is bad.''

Juarez said there are no exact statistics on the percentage of people suffering from respiratory disorders caused by pollution.

But doctors have expressed concerns about the effect of high lead concentrations on children's mental and physical development, and some have even advised people with youngsters to leave the capital.

Other plans in Mexico City include further expansion of the subway system, and the use of more electrically driven means of public transport - namely tramcars and trolleybuses - in order to reduce demand for polluting buses.

Extensive drainage and sewage works are also under way in parts of the city where open sewers and flooding in the rainy season pose an additional threat to health.

The state of Mexico, which borders the Federal District on three sides and houses most of the industry in the Metropolitan area, has plans to plant 100 million trees in the next five years.

Trees are badly needed in Lima, Peru, where 6.2 million inhabitants suffer from ''smog,'' a deadly combination of fog that shrouds the capital nine months a year and the emissions from half a million mostly outdated vehicles.

There are only about 200,000 trees, and authorities have said at least one tree should be planted for each vehicle.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 18) UPI - Beware the love-crazed male deer. Amorous young bucks have are wreaking havoc throughout the Chicago area and have done nearly $50,000 in damage to a newly landscaped park.

Lt. James Christopherson of the Lake County sheriff's office said Thursday more motorists are encountering rutting males on roads in Cook and Lake counties.

''The roadkill is starting to build up right now,'' Christopherson said. ''Sometimes we see two or three accidents a day at this time of the year. It's hard to avoid them. Sometimes they'll run right into the sides of cars.''

Accidents are not the only problem. Primping bucks rub their antlers on rough surfaces to clean away ''velvet'' and leave their scent to attract does. Their favorite method of sprucing up is to rub against young saplings.

A Lake Villa landscaper reported 275 of 450 ash and maple trees his company planted in a Libertyville Township park have been stripped of bark. The landscaper estimates the damage, the cost of removing the dead trees and replanting and protecting will total $50,000.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - Iraq is trying to raise some cash and crack the U-N embargo strangling its economy. Iraqi Oil Minister Issam Abdul Raheem today told the official news agency that Baghdad is ready to sell its oil at half price to all comers. That's 21 dollars a barrel. Radeem says the offer includes the United States, but so far it appears few countries are interested. Iraq offered free oil to Third World nations last month and NONE accepted.

The government says the sharp increases in energy prices helped fuel another eight-tenths of one percent surge in consumer prices in September... the same

gain as the month before. The Labor Department says more than one-third of the jump in the Consumer Price Index came from higher petroleum-based energy prices. The index for gasoline prices soared nine-point-five, and fuel oil prices were up a staggering 15- point-nine percent. Excluding energy, consumer prices were up four- tenths of one percent, also the same as in August.

The government also says soaring petroleum costs contributed to a two-point-four percent climb in the nation's trade deficit, which reachd nine-BILLION 340-Million dollars in August. The total was about 300- Million dollars higher than private analysts had expected. The Commerce Department says the cost of crude-oil imports alone soared to three and one-half-BILLION dollars in August... a jump of 17 percent from the July figure.

The Labor Department, meanwhile, reported that initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled a seasonally adjusted 395- thousand for the week ended October 6th. The department says the total was down two-thousand from the previous week.

Facing the prospect of another government shutdown, the Senate is continuing debate on its own bi-partisan deficit-reduction plan. Last night, lawmakers rejected raising taxes for the weathly from the current 28 percent, to 33 percent. The Senate budget package would hike taxes for gasoline, alcohol, cigarettes and luxury items... but would cut Medicare by 49-BILLION dollars over five years. Congress must send President Bush a budget plan acceptable to him by midnight Friday or the government runs out of money again.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Alexander & Baldwin (3rd Q)	
$192,194,000	$185,811,000
$22,195,000 (.48)	$29,045,000 (.64)
Ball Corp (3rd Q)	
$351,800,000	$321,200,000
$19,400,000 (.83)	$13,200,000 (.52)
Baltimore Bancorp (3rd Q)	
....	....
$3,896,000 (.30)	$4,949,000 (.39)
Banks of Iowa (3rd Q)	
....	....

$6,021,000 (1.97) $6,155,000 (1.58)

Bausch & Lomb (3rd Q)
$357,021,000 $319,472,000
$38,233,000 (1.27) $33,306,000 (1.10)

Beverly Enterprises (3rd Q)
$540,366,000 $533,722,000
$5,660,000 (.08) $929,000 (.01)

Cardinal Distribution (2nd Q 9-30)
$285,300,000 $210,211,000
$3,700,000 (.28) $2,792,000 (.22)

Carpenter Technology (1st Q)
$125,409,000 $133,612,000
$6,489,000 (.76) $7,848,000 (.86)

Chriss-Craft Indus (3rd Q)
$70,548,000 $62,974,000
$17,991,000 (.70) a-$462,877,000 (17.85)
a-Includes net gain of about $454,000,000 on the sale of 63 percent of Chris-Craft's former interest in Warner Communications Inc.

Computer Products (3rd Q)
$26,077,000 $29,737,000
$1,026,000 (.05) $1,712,000 (.08)

DeSoto Inc (3rd Q)
$107,734,000 $103,259,000
$902,000 (.23) d-$10,169,000
d-Deficit, after a restructuring charge of $12, 500,000.

Eastland Fncl (3rd Q)
....
d-$383,000 d-$15,697,000
d-Deficit.

EG&E Inc (3rd Q)
$687,038,000 $426,056,000
$18,388,000 (.65) $16,490,000 (.57)

Fibreboard Corp (3rd Q)
$62,250,000 $57,859,000
d-$522,000 $3,228,000 (.83)
d-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.

Firstfed Michigan (3rd Q)

....
$10,606,000 (.95) $6,006,000 (.54)

First Hawaiian (3rd Q)
....
$18,483,000 (.60) $14,746,000 (.55)

First Intersate (Iowa) (3rd Q)
....
$1,063,000 (.09) $3,137,000 (.26)

Fort Wayne Natl (3rd Q)
....
$3,995,000 (.52) $4,741,000 (.62)

Fruit of the Loom (3rd Q)
$355,600,000 $333,300,000
$23,600,000 (.38) $19,400,000 (.32)

Georgia Gulf (3rd Q)
$232,739,000 $251,239,000
$23,179,000 (.69) $46,065,000 (1.85)

Independence Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
$5,479,000 (.50) $4,359,000 (.40)

Intertan Inc (4th Q 9-30)
$157,579,000 $141,971,000
d-$387,000 $3,919,000 (.44)
d-Deficit.

Jefferies Group (3rd Q)
$41,552,000 $36,015,000
$900,000 (.15) $2,216,000 (.35)

Keystone Financial (3rd Q)
....
$8,256,000 (.57) $7,400,000 (.51)

Mid Atlantic Medcl (3rd Q)
$56,223,000 $29,505,000
$1,913,000 (.14) $1,018,000 (.08)

Morgan Products Ltd (3rd Q)
$110,591,000 $111,495,000
$466,000 (.06) $171,000 (.02)

N Y State El & Gas (3rd Q)
$330,344,000 $319,985,000
$22,237,000 (.33) $26,430,000 (.41)

Republic New York (3rd Q)
....
$54,700,000 (1.43) d-$155,400,000
d-Deficit.

St Paul Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
$6,263,000 (.52) $5,149,000 (.42)

Santa Fe Pacific (3rd Q)
$713,600,000 $733,800,000
$18,600,000 (.12) $33,800,000 (.21)

SFFED Corp (3rd Q)
....
$1,645,000 d-$15,694,000
d-Deficit.

Southtrust Corp (3rd Q)
....
$18,751,000 (.59) $18,373,000 (.69)

SPX Corp (3rd Q)
$176,951,000 $154,707,000
$4,500,000 (.33) a-$6,300,000 (.41)
a-Includes pre-tax gain of $4,300,000 from the sale of a business.

Standard Pacific LP (3rd Q)
$90,136,000 $132,139,000
$9,233,000 (.34) $20,601,000 (.75)

Standex Intl (1st Q 9-30)
$120,440,000 $106,537,000
$5,368,000 (.56) $5,085,000 (.49)

Symbol Technologies (3rd Q)
$62,302,000 $61,058,000
$3,382,000 (.15) $6,716,000 (.31)

Synoptics Commun (3rd Q)
$48,355,000 $20,912,000
$8,165,000 (.41) $2,296,000 (.15)

Tandon Corp (3rd Q)

$92,701,000 $83,829,000
$3,303,000 (.05) $2,210,000 (.04)

TCC Beverages (3rd Q)
$293,616,000 $265,495,000
$6,940,000 (.14) $7,236,000 (.18)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Tellabs Inc (3rd Q)
$49,982,000 $39,860,000
$942,000 (.07) $533,000 (.04)

Thiokol Corp (1st Q)
$292,546,000 a-$267,820,000
$11,543,000 (.60) $8,936,000 (.46)
a-Some figures are resated.

Thomas & Betts (3rd Q)
$148,576,000 $131,318,000
a-$5,096,000 (.30) $12,084,000 (.71)
a-After $9,000,000 pre-tax charges for restructuring operations.

Tidewater Inc (2nd Q)
$60,300,000 $51,600,000
$7,400,000 (.26) d-$2,100,000
d-Deficit.

Tultex Corp (3rd Q)
$109,892,000 $107,262,000
$11,578,000 (.42) $4,013,000 (.15)

United Water Resour (3rd Q)
$40,422,000 $37,057,000
$5,685,000 (.34) $4,917,000 (.30)

UST Inc (3rd Q)
$196,916,000 $173,717,000
$59,045,000 (.52) $51,583,000 (.44)

Valley Natl (Ariz) (3rd Q)
....
$2,902,000 d-$72,187,000
d-Deficit.

Western Digital (1st Q 9-29)
$255,819,000 $225,282,000
$1,654,000 (.06) d-$2,690,000
d-Deficit.

West One Bancorp (3rd Q)

....	....
$12,091,000 (.95)	$8,630,000 (.68)

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LONDON (OCT. 18) UPI - Amnesty International called Thursday for the immediate release of 12 government opponents who have been held for more than a year without a charge or trial in the Central African Republic.

The men were forcibly repatriated from Benin in West Africa in August 1989, the international human rights watchdog said.

Amnesty said they were being held in military custody without access to lawyers or family and some have reportedly been beaten and ill- treated.

''The 12 should be immediately released if they are not to be charged with recognizable criminal offenses and given a fair trial,'' an Amnesty report said.

Amnesty said it was concerned that they may be prisoners of conscience, detained because of their membership in nonviolent opposition groups.

There was no comment from the government.

Six prisoners were believed to be members of the opposition Oubangui Patriotic Front-Labor Party and six may have been arrested because of their links with the clandestine People's Movement for Reconstruction of the Central African Republic, an opposition organization led by Francois Bozize.

The 12 opponents, including Bozize, formerly minister of information, have been in military custody in Bangui, the capital of the Central African Republic, since Sept. 1, 1989, Amnesty said. The republic, with a population of 2.9 million, is bordered by Cameroon to the west, Sudan to the north and Zaire to the south.

The Benin authorities arrested and handed the men over to the Central African authorities in July 1989 on allegations they were involved in a 1982 coup attempt.

''The repatriation appears to have been agreed between the two governments outside any legal framework,'' Amnesty said.

Bozize and his followers are not known to have organized any acts of opposition against President Andre Kolinbga's government, nor have any of its members been detained in the past, Amnesty said.

The country became independent from France in 1960, and was set up as a parliamentary democracy called the Central African Empire. Emperor Bokassa I was overthrown in 1979 and the empire was abolished. A bloodless military coup staged in 1981 ousted President David Dacko and Kolingba took power.

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OMAHA (OCT. 18) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and calves None.

Hogs 1,200; butchers 50 cents to 1.00 higher; No 1-3 217-270 lb 59.00-59.25, No 2-3 260-280 lb 58.00-59.00, mostly 58.50; sows firm to 1.00 higher; No 1-3 350-500 lb 48.50-49.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 52.00-53.00.

Sheep None.

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(OCT 18) - Intriguing geysers on Neptune's frigid moon Triton appear to be powered by sunlight that passes through transparent nitrogen ice on the surface, melting subsurface material and generating towering 5-mile-high gas plumes, it was reported Thursday.

NASA's Voyager 2 probe sailed past Neptune and its largest moon in August 1989 and an analysis of data collected in the close encounter shows Triton to be one of the most bizarre bodies in the solar system, researchers reported in 10 papers published in the journal Science.

Perhaps the strangest features found to date are active geysers that spew ice and other particles high into Triton's tenuous nitrogen atmosphere.

Figuring out where the energy comes from to drive these plumes has been a major challenge given that Triton's surface temperature never rises beyond about 37 degrees above absolute zero - minus 393 degrees Fahrenheit.

''The problem all along was trying to understand how you could drive such phenomenon, where do you find the energy?'' said Laurence Soderblom, who wrote two of the papers. ''What's interesting is that now we have numerous mechanisms that have come up as possibilities.''

At least four active plumes were discovered in pictures of Triton that were radioed back to Earth by Voyager 2, including two plumes that show up in more than one image.

Photographs of the plumes show what appear to be very narrow, dark columns that rise vertically upward and then trail off to one side as if blown by a high-altitude wind.

''They consist of particulate material embedded in narrow columns of nitrogen gas, which rise to an altitude of roughly (5 miles), where the material then trails westward,'' wrote Jonathan Lunine in an introduction to the papers.

All of the observed plumes were found in areas of constant sunlight, indicating ''the mechanism by which they are generated is associated with absorption of solar visible radiation,'' wrote Lunine, a professor with the University of Arizona's Lunar and Planetary Laboratory.

R.H. Brown and Torrance Johnson of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., and R.L. Kirk and Soderblom of the U.S. Geological Survey in Flagstaff Ariz., argue that sunlight passing through transparent nitrogen ice can create a sort of ''solid-state greenhouse effect.''

''The most favored one is still solar greenhousing in which you have a solid state greenhouse made up of a layer of ice that either overlies or has embedded in it these dark particles,'' Soderblom said in a telephone interview. ''Solar radiation is trapped in this subsurface solid greenhouse environment.''

In much the same way that sunlight passing through a car's windows can heat up the interior on a cold day, sunlight passing through nitrogen ice on Triton may raise temperatures below the surface, melting the ice and producing reservoirs of gas under pressure.

''It turns out you only have to raise the temperature a few degrees, we suspect, to drive these almost explosive geysers that issue gas at perhaps 100 meters per second (224 mph),'' Soderblom said.

But calculations indicate not enough gas would be generated in areas as small as the diameter of a plume to power the geysers as long as the ones on Triton are believed to be active - several Earth years.

Solar heating could drive nitrogen vapor sideways through a fractured subsurface layer over a much larger area, giving rise to long-lived plumes, Soderblom, Brown and Kirk wrote in a second paper.

This strange greenhouse effect, Soderblom said, ''pressurizes the gas in a sub-surface porous reservoir, which then feeds inward radially to a vent where it's concentrated, picks up the dark particles (and) launches at a velocity of about 100 meters per second.''

The scientists conclude that ''lateral transport of energy by gas flow in a porous (nitrogen) layer with a block size on the order of (three feet) can

supply the required amount of gas. The decline of gas output ... may occur over a period comparable with the inferred active geyser lifetime of five Earth years.''

Subsurface pathways for the solar-heated nitrogen gas could be maintained by temperature stresses that cause repeated fractures in the ice.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - ABC News will close its Chicago, Boston and Dallas bureaus, the network announced Thursday.

The network will, however, continue to maintain a reportorial presence in each city.

In Chicago, correspondent Chris Bury and three other newsmen will work out of station WLS-TV, owned and operated by ABC.

In Dallas, correspendent Charles Murphy will work out of his home.

In Boston, Dr. Timothy Johnson and a small staff will continue to cover medical news out of their old ABC News office, but general news coverage will be handled out of network headquarters in New York.

A spokesman for ABC News said 12 people in the three bureaus will either be reassigned, offered other positions or fired.

The changes take effect Dec. 31.

ABC News, which had been expected to earn a $75 million profit, is now reportedly projecting profits of just $50 million. The network's ''World News Tonight'' program with Peter Jennings has been the top- rated evening news program for 40 consecutive weeks.

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PARIS (OCT. 18) UPI - Wine has won a round against Coca-Cola in the great French health battle of 1990.

In a rebuke to the Socialist government, the French Senate rejected late Wednesday a proposed law banning most advertising for alcoholic beverages.

The vote came after hours of sharp debate in which senators from wine growing regions passionately and at times poetically argued that alcoholism was not caused by the consumption of wine but by hard liquor.

The government bill to ban all cigarette advertising and most publicity for alcoholic beverages within three years must now go back to the National Assembly, which passed the measure last Spring. If the body approves the bill again, it will become law under the French constitution despite Wednesday's Senate vote.

Social Affairs Minister Claude Evin said he was ''unfortunately not surprised'' by the Senate action, adding that the same arguments were made at the turn of the century when absinthe, a potentially lethal liquor made from plants, was banned.

''I refuse to consider the death of 110,000 persons each year because of tobacco and alcohol abuse as inevitable,'' Evin said.

''The suppression of all direct or indirect advertising for tobacco and the strict control of advertising for alcoholic drinks are still my objectives,'' the minister added.

But in this consummate wine producing country, where sharing a bottle of ''rouge'' at dinner is a sacred rite, wine growers and their representatives in the conservative Senate won the day.

More than an matter of public health, the proposed law issue was seen as an attack on tradition and on French values that put special emphasis on sensual pleasures such as eating and drinking.

''We will no longer have the choice between a glass of Medoc and Coca-Cola,'' Marc Boeuf, a Socialist senator exclaimed. ''Only Coca-Cola will be proposed, with the dangers it represents to the health of young people.''

Although wine consumption has been dropping rapidly in recent years, each French person over the age of 15 still drank 252 gallons of wine in 1987, down from 372 gallons in 1970. Total wine sales amounted to $16.8 billion last year.

The arguments presented during the Senate debate ranged from the political - ''next week a young person will be rewarded by the government for having exported a lot of wine, where is the logic?'' - to the poetic - ''Sir (Alexander) Fleming said: if penicillin cures, wine makes one a bit more joyful.''

Many senators insisted that the rate of alcoholism was low in heavy wine consuming regions.

''Allow people to drink wine or beer and you will fight against alcoholism,'' Sen. Louis Jung argued. ''It was with that goal in mind that Polish authorities asked French companies to build breweries, to fight against alcoholism.''

While the Senate approved the government's proposed ban on tobacco advertising its adopted an amendment exempting ''agricultural products'' from the ban on publicity.

The loophole allowed not only wine but also liqueurs such as Calvados, which is extracted from apples, to be included in the agricultural products definition.

''The Senate has once again shown that it no longer represents the general good but that it defends individual interests,'' Socialist Senator Julien Dray complained.

But the last word belonged to Claude Barate of the neo-Gaullist Rally for the Republic Party, who lamented: ''If we cannot value our products our young people are going to drink Coca-Cola. How sad''

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BUCHAREST, Romania (OCT. 18) UPI - Prime Minister Petre Roman vowed Thursday to speed up Romania's economic reform program, but he warned unemployment may increase tenfold as unprofitable state-run businesses are liquidated.

In a state-of-the-nation address to a combined session of the bicameral parliament, Roman announced a series of measures designed to accelerate the transition to a market economy, including a further devaluation of the Romanian currency.

''We have reached a level where we have no alternative and no compromise is possible,'' he said. ''The state is determined to get rid of the relics of the past, and the old system.''

Roman blamed insufficient investment over the past two decades and communist-style central planning for the problems faced by Romania's industry, much of which operates with antiquated equipment and outmoded practices.

Warning that difficult times lie ahead, he urged Romanians to work harder: ''Working harder now will reduce the time taken to reach our targets,'' he said.

With the speech, Roman released statistics showing that overall production is down 20 percent from already low levels at this time last year, in the final days of communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu's government.

Roman said unemployment was expected to worsen even more dramatically, soaring from the present level of 120,000 jobless to more than 1 million next year.

Of the 120,000 currently unemployed, more than half are high school graduates,

he said.

Saying government must not shrink from painful reforms, Roman announced a series of economic measures, including the further devaluation of the lei. Effective Nov. 1, the value of the lei will be pegged at 35 lei to the dollar, from the current rate of 21 to a dollar. The black market rate is about 100 lei to a dollar.

The measure will help bring Romania closer to a convertible currency, which economic officials hope to achieve early next year, Roman said.

He said the government will also impose both a minimum and a maximum wage to help combat inflation and will eventually introduce income and sales taxes, although no date was set.

Reforms also will be made to the banking system in a country where few citizens have ever seen a check book, Roman said.

To protect the economically vulnerable, prices for fuel and rent will remain unchanged through early 1992, while food costs will be allowed to rise slightly, he said.

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OAK BROOK, Ill. (OCT. 18) UPI - Seven of 10 adults responding to a nationwide survey released Thursday say their vehicle bumpers are too weak and they want carmakers to include information on bumper strength on window stickers in dealer showrooms.

The Roper Organization interviewed 1,496 adults in June for a poll sponsored by the Insurance Research Council, a nonprofit agency that conducts public policy studies for U.S. property-casualty insurance industry.

The survey said 70 percent of adults surveyed said bumpers should be stronger than currently required by the government. U.S. standards require bumpers to withstand crashes up to 2.5 mph, down from 5 mph in 1983.

Only 16 percent of those surveyed said the standard should remain as it is.

In addition to the 72 percent of those surveyed who said they wanted bumper information on vehicle window stickers, 18 percent said such information should be available on request only and 10 percent had no opinion.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - The closer Congress gets to enacting a mandatory

seafood inspection program - a step that could be its major consumer act of the year - the more it fuels a nasty fight over the right way to do it.

Only a fraction of the nearly 4 billion pounds of fish and shellfish consumed each year by Americans is inspected under the voluntary federal program now in place. Americans ate an average of 15.9 pounds of seafood last year, up 24 percent from 1980.

The seafood industry is supporting creation of a mandatory inspection program and the Senate, after a fight of its own, has passed an inspection bill.

But a welter of disputes is clouding action in the House. Just this week, consumer groups split on which of two versions to support in the House, partly out of distrust over who should regulate the industry.

The dispute also involves a struggle between some powerful committee chairmen for jurisdiction over the new program. There are estimates seafood inspection could cost $100 million a year.

House debate on the issue was expected Friday, with representatives having two choices: The Senate-passed plan to split duties among three federal agencies, and a plan drafted by two House committees to establish shellfish rules now and to keep the current fish inspection program in place while improvements are studied.

''I believe that all members who really are concerned about protecting consumers will support (the Senate bill) so we may begin a mandatory seafood inspection program as soon as possible, not at some far-distant date,'' said Chairman Kika de la Garza, D-Texas, of the House Agriculture Committee.

The Senate bill would put the Agriculture Department in charge of inspections while the Food and Drug Administration would set limits on residues and the Commerce Department would monitor harvesting grounds for pollutants.

Supporters like the consumer group Public Voice for Food and Health Policy say the approach draws ''on the strength of the three relevant federal agencies.''

However, labor unions, the Consumer Federation of America, Consumers Union, the National Consumer League and two avowed public interest groups prefer the alternative plan.

They say they trust FDA more than the Agriculture Department in protecting public health, and the alternate plan includes ''whistle- blower'' protection for workers who report health violations. That safeguard was deleted from the Senate bill, but the House Rules Committee attached a whistle-blower provision to the Senate bill before releasing it for debate.

''The fishing industry is demanding a $100 million taxpayer- subsidized

advertising program, not a public health shield,'' said Tom Devine of the group Public Citizen, which has battled the Agriculture Department over the adequacy of meat and poultry inspections.

Backers of the three-agency plan say the FDA has its own shortcomings. It inspects only a quarter of seafood plants annually now and has no experience in large-scale food inspection programs, they say.

Some meat industry groups have thrown their weight behind the Senate bill, partly to make sure inspection is government-funded and partly to make sure any government seal given to seafood was based on the same standards meat has to meet.

In July, the administration announced it is planning to expand the government's voluntary seafood inspection program with user fees supplying the money for the expansion.

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MIDLAND, Mich (OCT. 18) UPI - Dow Chemical Co., citing soaring oil costs and a faltering economy, Thursday posted third-quarter earnings $282 million, down 52 percent from $589 milion in the same period of last year, despite a 16 percent increase in sales.

Earnings per share plunged 53 percent to $1.04 from $2.19 last year. The earnings included an increase in the provision for income taxes based on a projected effective rate for the year of 38.5 per cent from 36.5 percent.

Revenues rose to $4.91 billion from $4.25 billion in the third quarter of last year, mostly because the company increased its prices by about 5 percent from the second quarter. A lower dollar also helped inflate the value of higher foreign sales.

Operating income in the third quarter was down 29 percent to $664 million from $939 milion.

The diversified chemical company said manufacturing costs rose as a result of higher feedstock and energy costs. It said the operating rate increased slightly to 90 percent with sales volume declining about 3 percent from the second quarter.

John Henry, analyst at Merrill Lynch in New York, said third quarter earnings were actually better than expected.

''Most analysts were looking for 80 cents to 85 cents a share but they came in at $1.04,'' Henry said. ''The company hasn't felt the full effects of the cost jump in energy and hydrocarbon costs which will happen in the fourth quarter

and next year.''

He said he expected fourth quarter earnings to be considerably lower, estimating them at about 75 cents a share. He forecast Dow to close the year with about $4.75 a share and only about $3.25 a share for the whole of 1991.

Enrique Fall, Dow's financial vice president, said by the end of the third quarter pricing initiatives were in place to offset much of the increases in feedstock. However, he said, soft industry fundamentals may deny total recovery.

''Dow's global purchasing capability, distribution infrastructure and feedstock flexibility have allowed us to delay most of the cost impact until the fourth quarter when price increases have been implemented,'' fall said.

Merrill Lynch's Henry also welcomed the company's decision to postpone several capital projects and intensify its expense control program.

Henry said the company may cut between $200 and $300 million from such projects as thermoplastics and other chemicals.

''Thank god for that decision. The industry is going to be awash in capacity in the next two to three years,'' he said.

For the nine months, Dow earned $1.11 billiion, or $4.09 a share, down sharply from $2.06 billion, or $7.61 a share, in the same period of last year. Revenues were $9.47 billion, compared with $7.77 billion last year.

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LONDON (OCT. 18) UPI - Stocks prices closed higher in light trading Thursday on the London International Stock Exchange, bolstered by the strong performance on Wall Street and lower global oil prices.

Stock prices also ended higher in Frankfurt and Paris.

The London blue chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 15.6 points Wednesday, rebounded 14.6 points to 2,082.6. The narrower top 30 industrial average gained 17.3 points to 1,618.1.

Volume amounted to around 253 million shares, well below the 546 million shares changing hands on Wednesday.

Uncertainty over the situation in the Persian Gulf left many professional market-makers on the sidelines, analysts noted.

Stocks rebounded from midday lows boosted by the bullish Wall Street session

and the better-than-expected report on the U.S. trade picture for August, analysts explained.

The Commerce Department reported the U.S. trade deficit edged up 2.4 percent to $9.34 billion in August from a revised $9.12 billion in July.

Market forecasters expected a deficit of around $9 billion.

Stocks were also boosted, analysts said, as the price of oil fell sharply on global markets after Iraq offered to sell its oil at $21 a barrel to any buyer.

Meanwhile market watchers said local investors all but ignored several key reports on Britain's economy.

The Bank of England reported Britain's narrow money supply M-0 rose a provisionally estimated 4.6 percent in September from a year earlier.

M-4 lending, a measure of bank and building society sterling lending to Britain's private sector, rose a seasonally adjusted $14.2 billion - or 1.4 percent - in September from August and was up 14.6 percent from September 1989.

The figures compare with market forecasts for a 4.7 percent rise in M-0 and the government's target range of 1 percent to 5 percent growth in the fiscal year ended March 31.

M-4 lending was forecast to rise about $12.2 billion, analysts said.

Meanwhile, the Deaprtment of Employment reported unemployment in Britain's was a seasonally adjusted 5.8 percent of the workforce in September, unchnaged from August.

Market frorecasters were expecting the report to show a 28,000 rise in unemployment.

In a seperate report, the Department of Employment reported the underlying rate of increase in average earnings in Britain was 10 1/4 percent in August, unchnaged from an upwardly revised July figure.

Average earnings as a whole rose a seasonally adjusted 0.8 percent in August from July and were up 10.9 percent from August 1989.

The market discounted the marginal increase in Britain's unemployment figures, and ignored the other reprts analysts said.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Albert Fisher, a foods distributor, gained 4 cents to $2.13 after reporting its latest earnings surged 65 percent for the year and issued a positive outlook for its international fresh food markets.

Eurotunnel, the consortium building the Channel Tunnel between France and Britain, gained 29 cents to $8.42 on a positive progress report and recently acquired fresh financing from creditors.

Oil and related issues were generally lower as the price for crude on the spot market eased. British Petroleum ended unchanged at $6.42 but London Scottish & marine Oil eased 8 cents to $8.26.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices closed higher in thin trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The closely watched German Stock Index of 30 selected blue chip stocks, which lost 19.43 points Wednesday, rebounded 29.28 points or 2 percent to 1,470.07.

Traders said lower oil prices on global market helped to boost investor enthusiam.

On the local economic front, the Deutsche Bundesbank reported the broad M-3 measure of money supply in West Germany gew 4.3 percent in August on an annualized basis, more steeply than the 3.8 percent rate of increase in July.

The latest growth rate figure was a revision of the originally published August rate of 4.5 percent reported last month and it remains at the lower end of the 4 to 6 percent targeted M-3 growth range for 1990.

The data exclude money supply growth in the area that formerly was East Germany.

In Paris, stocks prices ended broadly higher in active trading on the Paris Bourse as local investors shrugged off news the French government would boost the capital gains tax to 25 percent from the current 19 percent.

The French CAC 40 Index, which slipped 10.95 points Wednesday, surged 31.67 points to 1,647.67.

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PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (OCT. 18) UPI - Defense Minister Miroslav Vacek ordered the army to prepare to put down the peaceful revolution last November that toppled the Communist Party from power, a report released Thursday by a blue-ribbon commission said.

Vacek was fired Wednesday by President Vaclav Havel.

The report said Vacek, who was army chief of staff at the time under the Defense Ministry, organized ''Operation Wave,'' a plan to take control of all

radio and television stations.

But the Communist Party Central Committee failed to approve a military move against the protests, and the plan was abandoned.

The report said it is unclear whether the army was to act to support the fading power of the Communist Party, sapped by a week of massive pro-democracy demonstrations, or whether it was acting on behalf of renegade Communist Party officials.

The Czechoslovak news agency CTK said Lubos Dobrovsky, the current deputy foreign minister, has been tapped as the new defense minister.

Dubrovsky, who has held his present position since last July and before that was Foreign Ministry spokesman, is a signatory of the Charter 77 human rights document and a journalist.

The day after the Central Committee meeting, hard-line party leader Milos Jakes and his associates were dropped from the Politburo.

On Dec. 3, the communists formally yielded power to a government with a majority of non-communist ministers and on Dec. 29, Parliament elected Havel president.

''The whole structure was in place for an emergency decree, but what is peculiar is that no state of emergency was declared,'' said Vojtech Deyl, chairman of the special presidential commission investigating the November events.

Havel's spokesman, Michal Zantovsky, said the president decided to sack the minister Tuesday night after receiving the commission's report.

According to the report and Zantovsky, Vacek carried out with equal diligence the orders of the communist regime when he was army chief of staff and Havel's orders when he was defense minister after the communists lost power.

''The results of the commission's report do not cast doubt on Vacek as minister of defense, but they do show that in 1989 he followed certain orders and instructions leading to the possibility that the army could be used against the Czechoslovak people,'' Zantovsky said.

''All this year the army has acted as a state-forming element. That is to the credit of Vacek,'' he added.

When Havel announced he had fired Vacek Wednesday, Havel praised Vacek for never having allowed the army to be misused against the people, for having loyally observed all orders, and for having started ''

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BRUSSELS (OCT. 18) UPI - The European Community executive Commission objected to a proposed compromise in the EC proposal to cut farm subsidies in world trade talks, a top official said Thursday.

The Commission objected to a plan that would toughen new tariffs aimed at two large U.S. exports to the EC - oilseeds, such as soybeans, and protein animal feeds.

''It has to be clear that the Commission made a proposal and it has made a balanced proposal,'' said Frans Andriessen, the EC trade Commissioner.

The Commission's proposal for talks on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade would cut farm supports by 30 percent from the 1986 level to 1996, but add would new tariffs to ''rebalance'' the proposal. The tariffs would be based on import quotas at 8 percent above average 1986-88 levels.

The 8 percent provision would be deleted under a new compromise proposal to be considered Friday by EC agriculture ministers in Luxembourg. The compromise was unveiled after the ministers failed to reach agreement in a 13-hour meeting Tuesday.

Andriessen, who has taken a relatively conciliatory approach toward the United States, said such an amendment was unacceptable.

The United States has considered any new tariffs unacceptable, and also said the EC's proposed 30 percent cuts were insufficient.

The U.S. proposal, submitted Monday to the GATT talks in Geneva, called for cuts of 75 percent in internal farm supports and 90 percent in export subsidies by the year 2000.

The meeting of EC agriculture ministers will be followed Monday by a meeting of the Community's foreign ministers, also in Luxembourg. If the stalemate is not broken, the issue could be decided at the Oct. 27-28 EC summit in Rome.

The current round of GATT talks, the Uruguay Round, began at a Uruguayan resort in 1986 and was slated to end in Brussels in December.

The United States said large cuts in farm supports were needed to convince developing countries to agree on new trade rules for services, investment and intellectual property.

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DETROIT (OCT. 18) UPI - The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said Thursday it has reopened and upgraded a probe into possible front brake problems on virtually all Ford Taurus and Mercury Sable cars, more than 2.2 million vehicles in total.

A spokeswoman for Ford Motor Co. said the No. 2 automaker is cooperating fully with the investigation, which the government agency closed in June but reopened and upgraded to an engineering analysis Sept. 28 after receiving additional owner complaints.

''The problem concerns alleged separation of the rotor braking surface from the center hub in vehicles that use a composite front brake hub and rotor assembly,'' Ford spokeswoman Joy Stinson said.

Stinson said Ford is aware of seven reports of rotor separations among U.S. owners and several more in Canada, but she said most complaints came from high-salt regions. NHTSA spokesman Tim Hurd said the two-piece hubs could be suceptible to corrosion and cause loss of braking ability.

But the condition could affect more than just the Taurus and Sable cars, first introduced in late 1985.

Ford's 1988-91 Lincoln Continental and 1989-90 Ford Thunderbird and Mercury Cougar use the same composite rotor design. Combined with the Taurus and Sable about 2.7 million cars could be involved, Stinson said.

On Wednesday, Ford announced it would double the warranty on the front brake rotors and linings on about 407,000 1989-90 Thunderbirds and Cougars to two years or 24,000 miles, or until May 31, 1991, whichever provides the greater coverage.

But Ford said less than a third of the cars are expected to have that condition at 24,000 miles.

Ford will replace rotors and linings for free with revised components on all affected Thunderbird and Cougar cars except the Thunderbird SC and Cougar XR7 cars, which get new rotors only.

The upgraded investigation into the Taurus and Sable does not necessarily mean there will be a product recall, although NHTSA has the authority to order a recall if it feels one is warranted.

NHTSA also opened preliminary evaluations into a wide range of 1985- 90 cars produced by General Motors Corp., Ford, Chrysler Corp. and Honda Motor Co., according to its latest report.

Included are:

-1986-model Ford Bronco, Bronco II, for possible fuel tank corrosion from the skid plate. About 170,000 vehicles could be affected.

-1989-90 Jeep Cherokee, Wagoneer, Comanche, for possible front brake hose chafing. About 328,000 vehicles potentially affected.

-1989 Buick Reatta, for severe front brake steering pull. 6,300 vehicles possibly affected.

-1988-89 Chrysler Eagle Medallion, for electrical overload. 33,130 vehicles possibly affected.

-1990 Honda Accord, for door lock failure on front passenger door. Number of units not known.

The agency also opened an investigation into possible buckle breakage on Fisher Price child seat Model 9100, made in 1985.

Several other investigations were terminated because no defect trend or unreasonable risk was found, the NHTSA report showed.

Those included a probe into 1989-90 Ford Festiva subcompact cars for possible seat separation, 1985 Toyota Vans and Cargo Vans for possible steering wheel failure, and 1984-88 Dodge Caravan and Plymouth Voyager minivans for possible spare tire carrier failures.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - The House, seeking to punish China for its continued poor human rights record, voted Thursday to end that country's privileged status for trade with the United States.

The disapproval measure was passed on a 247-174 vote despite warnings it would curb U.S. influence on the Chinese government and harm American firms that sell goods to China.

The bill, which now goes to the Senate, likely will be vetoed if it reaches the White House. President Bush has strongly supported most- favored-trade status for China despite objections from Congress.

Most-favored-nation status means that a country's imports to the United States are charged the lowest tariffs available to any nation. China currently enjoys a $6 billion surplus in its trade with the United States.

Bush and President Ronald Reagan granted favored status for China by issuing annual waivers to a 1974 law covering trade with communist nations that have restrictive emigration policies.

The last waiver was granted in May despite protests from lawmakers that China has done little to improve human rights there since suppression of the democracy movement in Tiananmen Square in June 1989.

Rep. Gerald Solomon, R-N.Y., sponsor of the disapproval measure, said it would ''send a necessary message to the angry old men who are hiding out in the so-called Great Hall of the People.''

He said the Chinese government continues to jail and execute political dissidents, restrict emigration and rule by martial law.

Solomon said Bush is trying to change Chinese government policies ''by extending to it the carrot of continued American trade privileges.'' But, ''while the president offers this carrot ... someone has to show that there is a stick out there.''

Solomon's measure would discontinue the favored trade status in effect for the current year fiscal year ending next June. The House also was expected to pass a second bill that would impose several conditions on the president in granting the status for the following year.

The disapproval measure was opposed by Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, although he acknowledged ''the desire of members to send a strong message to the leadership of China that we condemn their actions.''

''However, I do not believe that cutting off China's most-favored- nation status hurts the leaders of China. They do not rely on trade with the United States for their livelihood,'' Rostenkowski said.

''We have a much greater chance of pushing for change if we remain engaged with China,'' he said.

House Republican leader Robert Michel, of Illinois, said China's actions ''are indeed reprehenible,'' but said the trade curb would be ineffective. ''When the United States does something unilaterally like this it very seldom works. ... It makes us feel good, but does not change the other country's policy.''

Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., arguing for the trade curb, said, ''Nothing has changed since (Tiananmen Square) in terms of human rights. The release of one or two people for public opinion and some other hundreds ... is small in terms of the maybe 10,000 who may be imprisoned because they spoke up (for democracy)''.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - The Senate rejected Thursday an amendment to a deficit cutting bill to raise taxes on the rich and use the money to lower a proposed gasoline tax increase to 6 cents a gallon and scrap new costs for Medicare beneficiaires.

In a procedural vote, the Senate voted 55-45 against allowing consideration of the amendment sponsored by Sens. Albert Gore, D-Tenn., and Barbara Mikulski, D-Md.. The amendment fell far short of the ''super majority'' of 60 votes needed to clear that procedural hurdle.

The showdown came as the Senate moved toward a final vote later Thursday on the huge deficit reduction bill and a day before an earlier temporary funding bill to keep the government running expires at midnight Friday.

President Bush has repeatedly threatened to veto another stop-gap spending bill to keep the government open unless Congress presents him with a deficit reduction package he can sign by midnight Friday.

However, the White House has indicated that Bush may approve another short-term funding bill if it has some spending cuts in it to lower the deficit, and if Congress is near completion of the deficit bill.

The House on Tuesday passed its version of the deficit reduction bill that Bush vowed to veto because it did increase tax rates to 33 percent. A final version will be worked out between House and Senate negotiators once the Senate acts on its bill.

Gore said the key decision his amendment raise is ''do we want to have the senior citizens in our hospitals pay more (in Medicare costs) so the wealthiest can pay less?''

Mikulski said she was speaking for the middle class because ''they have no more to give'' to cut the deficit while the rich do.

''The poor have nothing to give, so let's go and get it from those who've got it,'' Mikulski said.

In rejecting the amendment, senators heeded the warnings of Senate leaders of both parties that the provision would scuttle a delicately crafted bipartisan deficit reduction plan that Bush has indicated he could support if a few relatively minor provisions he dislikes are removed.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine, who helped draft the bipartisan deficit bill that Gore would have amended, opposed the amendment even though he supports raising income tax rates on the rich.

''The reality is ... that this amendment cannot and will not become law,'' said Mitchell, who with other Senate leaders successfully fought off two

amendments Wednesday night that would have undermined the bipartisan bill, which he said makes the tax code more progressive than a deficit plan drafted by the bipartisan budget summit but rejected by the House.

''The president has said he will veto any legislation that inclues a 33 percent rate on the highest (income) individuals,'' Mitchell said.

If the Gore amendment were adopted, Mitchell said, ''the certain result is that we end up with a current law that is significantly less progressive than what we are trying to do with the (bipartisan) Senate bill.''

The amendment would have raised individual tax rates for the richest Americans from the current 28 percent to 33 percent, bursting the so- called tax bubble that now sees upper-middle class taxpayers taxed at a higher rate than the rich.

It also would have raised the alternative minimum tax on individuals, who might otherwise escape taxation through various deductions and exemptions, from 21 percent to 25 percent. And it would have imposed a 10 percent surtax on those with taxable incomes of more than $1 million

Under the amendment, the extra money raised from the higher tax rates and surtaxes would have been used to delete from a bipartisan deficit reduction bill before the Senate all of the extra costs that bill imposed on Medicare recipients - higher annual premiums, a higher Part B deductible and higher clinical laboratory service co-payment requirements.

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 18) UPI - The U.N. Security Council's five permanent members are discussing a resolution demanding that food be sent to trapped Western diplomats and foreigners in Kuwait, diplomats said Thursday.

But the diplomats said some non-aligned nations preferred the 15- nation council deal immediately with the killing of 21 Palestinians by Israeli forces because of Israel's opposition to a U.N. inquiry into the deaths.

The new resolution from the permanent members - the United States, the Soviet Union, France, China and Britain - was seen as an effort by Washington to keep diplomatic pressure on Iraq and maintain the unity of the Arab coalition against the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Arab states were drawn together to condemn the Oct. 8 riots at the Temple Mount in Jerusalem and they preferred to keep the momentum on a resolution of the Israeli-Arab conflict despite their deep division on the Iraqi invasion, the diplomats said.

Diplomats said the five permanent members agreed on main points in the new resolution, which would demand that food be sent to the few remaining Western diplomats and foreigners in Kuwait. They said only the American, British and French embassies remained open in Kuwait City in defiance of an order by Iraq, after annexting Kuwait, that all foreign embassies be closed and their personnel be transferred to Baghdad.

They said the United States and Britain do not agree on whether to press in the same resolution for an inquiry into atrocities by Iraqi troops in Kuwait and to require Iraq to pay for damage caused its military occupation, which was mainly a British demand.

One Western diplomat said the resolution was being ''kicked around'' among the five countries and more discussions will be needed. A draft of the new document was sent Wednesday night to capitals of the five countries for discussions by their governments.

Secretary of State James Baker told a news conference in Washington Tuesday that priority should be given to a ''humanitarian resolution'' dealing with supplying the embassies with fresh food, drinking water and other necessities.

Iraq denied this week a request by Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to send a charter plane with medicines for hospitals in Kuwait. Kuwaiti officials said patients in Kuwaiti hospitals were dying for lack of medicines because Iraqi troops confiscated all medical supplies.

Representatives from non-aligned countries were to meet with Perez de Cuellar Thursday afternoon to press for the U.N. mission to Israel and discuss further action by the council on the issue, the diplomats said.

Perez de Cuellar told reporters Thursday he is still awaiting assurances from the Israeli government that it would cooperate with his mission. He said he would send the U.N. team as soon as the assurances were received.

The Security Council last Saturday condemned the killing of 21 Palestinians by Jerusalem police and asked Perez de Cuellar to report on ''findings and conclusions'' on the incidents before Oct. 31.

The government of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir strongly protested the council resolution and criticized the United States for voting to censure Israel. It rejected any official U.N. probe on the incidents.

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CAIRO, Egypt (OCT. 18) UPI - President Hosni Mubarak reiterated Thursday that Iraq's invasion of Kuwait is different from Israel's occupation of Palestinian territories and appealed to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw from

the oil-rich emirate.

''Seizing land by force is a serious violation of principle that could lead us to lose all our (Arab) issues,'' Mubarak told reporters at Cairo International Airport after brief talks with Rwanda's President Juvenal Habyarimana.

Mubarak remains a staunch supporter of U.S.-led efforts to force Saddam out of Kuwait. Cairo's relations with Baghdad reached their lowest ebb in more than a decade after Egypt sent troops to Saudi Arabia to help defend the kingdom against Iraqi aggression.

The Egyptian president rejected any linkage between the Palestinian question and the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

Saddam has tried to link the issues to muster greater Arab and Moslem support for his lonely cause in the Persian Gulf. But Western governments and the Soviet Union insist he must withdraw from Kuwait before the world can turn its attention back to the Palestinian issue.

''Palestine will never be liberated by the occupation of Kuwait,'' Mubarak said. ''The Kuwait issue is an Arab issue but the Palestine issue is an Arab-Israeli problem. We should not fool ourselves about this because the whole world is aware of the problem and understands it in a positive way'' to the Arab cause.

Mubarak expressed hope the gulf crisis would end without war and urged Saddam to respond to the will of the world and pull out of Kuwait.

''I have asked President Saddam Hussein more than once and I am still asking him to respond to the peace appeal to avert evils, but (the Iraqis) are saying they do not want to respond when they come with daily statements saying Kuwait is their land,'' Mubark said.

The Egyptian leader refused comment on a U.S. newspaper report Tuesday in which Jordan's King Hussein expressed disappointment at Mubarak's stance on the gulf crisis.

''I read King Hussein's statement in the New York Times and I don't want to comment on it because we do not seek revenge from anyone,'' Mubarak said without elaborating.

Commenting on the assasination Friday in Cairo of Egypt's Parliament Speaker Rifaat El Mahgoub, Mubark said if the terrorists succeeded ''in killing one individual, they cannot succeed in killing 55 million Egyptians,'' a reference to Egypt's entire population.

The Egyptian leader said Mahgoub's killing would not force Egypt to alter its policy toward the gulf crisis and other issues.

''Egypt will remain Egypt ... it will not alter its principles under whatever circumstances,'' Mubarak said.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for Latest Period vs. Year Earlier.

LATEST PERIOD	YEAR EARLIER
Amoco Corp (3rd Q)	
$7,927,000,000	$6,608,000,000
a-$530,000,000 (1.04)	b-$336,000,000 (.65)

a-Includes $149,000,000 net gain on sale of refining and marketing operations in the U.K.
b-After $100,000,000 charge for environmental and work force reductions.

Arkansas Freightways (3rd Q)	
$38,297,000	$25,719,000
$2,512,000 (.45)	$1,858,000 (.33)
Baker Michael (3rd Q)	
$35,855,000	$25,596,000
$807,000 (.28)	$728,000 (.29)
Baldor Electric (3rd Q)	
$70,709,000	$70,087,000
$3,384,000 (.35)	$3,237,000 (.38)
Barnes Group (3rd Q)	
$133,967,000	$122,239,000
$3,908,000 (.64)	$3,319,000 (.53)
Central & South West (3rd Q)	
$866,000,000	$764,000,000
$145,000,000 (1.46)	$133,000,000 (1.34)
Durr-Fillauer Medical (3rd Q)	
$196,576,000	$171,985,000
$4,372,000 (.43)	$3,846,000 (.38)
Engraph Inc (3rd Q)	
$50,684,000	$50,849,000
$1,636,000 (.10)	$2,003,000 (.12)
Gillette Co (3rd Q)	

$1,026,300,000 $921,600,000
$92,200,000 (.80) $65,200,000 (.57)

Graco Inc (3rd Q)
$78,801,000 $70,922,000
$4,631,000 (.64) $3,352,000 (.47)

Great Lakes Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
$3,400,000 (.69) $3,000,000 (.76)

Jason Inc (3rd Q)
$32,354,000 $27,346,000
$1,167,000 (.21) $551,000 (.10)

LaFarge Corp (3rd Q)
$538,724,000 $501,107,000
$54,338,000 (1.06) $61,289,000 (1.22)

Lockheed Corp (3rd Q)
$2,319,000,000 $2,208,000,000
$86,000,000 (1.36) d-$31,000,000
d-Deficit.
d-Deficit, reflects about $165,000,000 in
charges related to certain fixed-price development contracts.

Mapco Inc (3rd Q)
$701,600,000 $530,300,000
$24,800,000 (.81) $22,400,000 (.58)

Marion Merrell Dow Inc (3rd Q)
$625,000,000 a-$566,000,000
$134,000,000 (.47) a-$120,000,000 (.43)
a-On a pro forma basis.

Mattel Inc (3rd Q)
$490,373,000 $410,049,000
$47,815,000 (.95) $38,037,000 (.76)

McClatchy Newspapers (3rd Q)
$107,031,000 $94,876,000
$7,511,000 (.26) $8,759,000 (.31)

Morrison Knudsen (3rd Q)
$404,560,000 $589,000,000
$8,177,000 (.70) $7,897,000 (.69)

Newhall Land & Farms (3rd Q)

$48,719,000 $73,816,000
$8,571,000 (.23) a-$28,433,000 (.72)
a-Includes gain of about $22,000,000 (.55) a
unit resulting from the sale for $43,000,000 of 238 single-family lots.

New York Times (3rd Q)
$420,734,000 $415,340,000
a-$9,173,000 (.12) $16,426,000 (.21)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Nynex (3rd Q)
$3,395,100,000 $3,308,900,000
$296,700,000 (1.50) $288,700,000 (1.47)

Oregon Steel Mills (3rd Q)
$89,704,000 $55,172,000
$7,053,000 (.44) $5,014,000 (.32)

Portland General (3rd Q)
$188,002,000 $181,154,000
a-$31,900,000 (.69) $4,902,000 (.11)
a-Incomef rom continuing operations.

Schering-Plough (3rd Q)
$793,800,000 $743,700,000
$140,000,000 (.62) $114,000,000 (.51)

Sequent Computer Sys (3rd Q)
$66,548,000 $40,409,000
$5,951,000 (.25) $4,144,000 (.20)

Super Food Services (Year 8-25)
$1,776,740,000 $1,691,577,000
$17,182,000 (1.60) $15,935,000 (1.47)

RAC Mortgage Investment (3rd Q)
$34,122,000 $31,772,000
$3,374,000 (.24) $896,000 (.06)

United Bank of Colorado (3rd Q)
....
$13,600,000 (.83) $5,300,000 (.31)

United Investors Mgmt (3rd Q)
$61,991,000 $60,794,000
$15,834,000 (.42) $15,503,000 (.41)

Van Dorn Co (3rd Q)

$74,299,000 $78,087,000
a-$138,000 (.02) $2,314,000 (.28)
a-Includes an unspecified gain on the sale of
the company's 48.5 percent interest in the Asian Pacific Can Co.

Western Co (3rd Q)
$57,722,000 $49,758,000
$669,000 (.05) d-$4,877,000
d-Deficit.

Zurn Indus (2nd Q 9-30)
$174,647,000 $164,139,000
$6,413,000 (.51) $7,098,000 (.57)

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OTTAWA (OCT. 18) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis and accompanying high oil prices could trigger a new round of inflation and higher interest rates, the governor of the Bank of Canada warned Thursday.

John Crow, who has been under severe pressure for his tight money policy, made the statement before a Parliamentary finance committee while the Canadian dollar was being battered in a selloff by foreign investors.

The dollar opened Thursday at 85.38 cents U.S., down from Wednesday's close of $85.43 cents U.S., then dropped even further by noon to 85.11 cents U.S. The dollar was worth 86.48 cents U.S. when markets closed Wednesday.

The sell off was apparently triggered by foreign investors who are worried about Canada's recession-bound economy, although two other international currencies, the Australian dollar and the British pound, also took a beating Thursday.

In response to the weakened dollar, the Bank of Canada raised its trend-setting bank rate Thursday to 12.66 percent, up from last week's level of 12.59 percent.

Crow warned that even though interest rates have declined a little in recent months, they could be pushed higher because of escalating oil prices.

Achieving a non-inflationary environment, Crow said, would produce ''durably low interest rates.''

Inflationary pressures have subsided somewhat since the Bank of Canada began raising its trend-setting bank rate, the levy charged by the central bank on loans to financial institutions. The central bank has allowed interest rates to fall an average of 10 basis points in each of the last 13 weeks.

However, Crow warned that rapid oil price increases could set off a new round of inflationary pressures.

''It is imperative that we achieve gradual but progressive reductions in inflation if confidence in the value of our money is to be preserved, '' Crow said.

Finance Minister Michael Wilson caused the Canadian dollar to tumble Thursday beside its U.S. counterpart after he told an Ottawa conference that economic agencies had accurately stated that the economy was in a recession.

Wilson said weak economic activity, higher oil prices and strikes among some of the largest unions had made a second consecutive quarter of negative growth - the standard definition of a recession - a probability.

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SMYRNA, Tenn. (OCT. 18) UPI - Options have been taken on sites in Tennessee and Alabama for a components plant for Nissan Motor Manufacturing Corp. U.S.A. company executives said Thursday.

The Tennessee plant site is in Franklin County near Decherd in the south-central part of the state, and the northern Alabama site is near Athens, in Limestone County, executives said.

Nissan Vice President and general counsel Gail Neuman, who is heading up the search, said the Japanese auto manufacturer is still examining the two locations, and no recommendation has been made to the board of directors.

The company has taken an option on an 800-900-acre tract in Franklin County, executives said.

Nissan said plans call for the plant to produce major components such as engines. The company said there is not enough room at its existing Smyrna, Tenn. assembly plant for such a major expansion.

Nissan's Smyrna plant, which produces Sentras and light trucks, is undergoing a $500 million expansion which will add 1.7 million square feet and a third car line by 1992.

Neuman said the company would like to build the components plant in the United States, and a decision on that is expected by the end of the year. The actual site location would be decided on by next June.

State officials had little comment on Nissan's plans.

''Whatever role we have is a customary role of being helpful, but it's not something we can talk about until the company makes a decision, '' said Bill Boozer, a spokesman for the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker, rejecting any partial settlement of the Persian Gulf crisis as ''self-defeating appeasement '' said Thursday that Middle East peace depends on removing Saddam Hussein's capacity to make war.

Just before his Capitol Hill appearance, Baker met with Soviet Dpeuty Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primaklov, who met last week with Iraqi officials in Baghdad, reportedly bringing back an offer from Saddam of partial Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, under certain conditions.

Baker, in testimony prepared for the House Foreign Affairs Committee, reiterated themes he stressed Wednesday to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, where he encounter the first signs domestic support for President Bush's gulf policy is splintering.

Senate Democrats and Republicans both expressed apprehension and concern that the administration might send U.S. forces now based in Saudi Arabia into battle against Iraq without a formal declaration of war by Congress.

Baker said the administration would consult Congress but, in practical terms, the president would lose needed flexibility to respond to Iraqi threats if he had to seek consent before acting.

In his review of the Persian Gulf situation for the House panel, Baker insisted there could be no partial solution, such as allowing Iraq to retain some strategically unimportant islands that once were part of Iraq.

''The only truly effective action we can take now is to continue to heighten Iraq's political, economic and military isolation,'' he said.

He warned, ''Action that moves toward a partial solution would be self-defeating appeasement.''

He also suggested the administration's line is hardening and would no longer be satisfied with a total withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait and the restoration of the Kuwaiti government now in exile in Saudi Arabia.

Baker said, ''Every hope for peace in this conflict-ridden region depends on stopping Iraq's aggression and ultimately reversing its capacity for future aggression.''

On Wednesday, several senators suggested that would require removing Saddam from power after a military clash, since it is not likely the Iraqi president would voluntarily step down and dismantle the largest military machine in the Middle East, including the largest arsenal of chemical weapons.

As a side effect of the crisis and the administration's failure to predict or deter the attack on Kuwait, the first public call for Baker's resignation appeared Thursday.

Nationally syndicated columnist Michael Kinsley said the honorable thing for Baker to do would be step down since he was responsible for the ineffectual policy at the time of the Iraqi invasion.

At the same time, there were new signs of growing friction between Washington and the Israeli government of Yitzhak Shamir.

Shamir has angrily denounced the U.S.-led action by the United Nations Security Council condemning Israel for excessive use of force against a Palestinian demonstrators last week in which at least 21 died.

The Israeli government also has announced its intention to continue constructing civilian settlements in East Jerusalem, which Baker's aides consider a violation of an Oct. 1 letter to Baker from Foreign Minister David Levy.

In the letter, which was negotiated between Levy and U.S. officials, Israel agreed not to use U.S. funds for the construction of new settlements in territory that had not been under Israeli control before the Six Day War of 1967.

The Americans say that clearly means East Jerusalem, as well as the West Bank and Gaza. The Israelis, who have annexed East Jersualem, says it does not.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 18) UPI - Hyatt Hotels Corp. Thursday announced a new service that will allow members of its frequent guest program to check into their rooms before they get to the hotel.

The new service, called 1-800-CHECK-IN, starts Nov. 5 and will be available to members of Hyatt's Gold Passport frequent traveler program at 107 Hyatt hotels in the United States, Canada and the Caribbean.

By calling 1-800-CHECK-IN, members can get a room assignment - including room number - by telephone prior to their arrival at the hotel. Once they arrive at the hotel, they will proceed to a special check-in area, present a credit card

sign the registration card and pick up their room key.

Hyatt said the service - the first of its kind - is designed to reduce the stress and aggravation associated with business travel.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 18) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	79.15	79.35	79.05	79.30	79.02
Dec	76.00	76.50	75.97	76.47	75.92
Feb	73.65	73.97	73.35	73.92	73.50
Apr	74.85	75.07	74.57	75.02	74.75
Jun	72.45	72.60	72.20	72.57	72.35
Aug	70.75	71.00	70.75	71.00	70.60
Oct	71.00	71.25	70.95	71.25	70.80

Est. sales 13,758 contracts; Wednesday 12,876; open interest 66,925 off 1,092.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	86.95	86.95	86.50	86.92	86.80
Nov	85.45	85.85	85.20	85.80	85.32
Jan	84.17	84.40	83.85	84.35	84.00
Mar	82.45	82.80	82.40	82.65	82.40
Apr	82.05	82.20	82.00	82.15	81.95
May	81.20	81.42	81.20	81.42	81.15
Aug	80.35	80.35	80.20	80.35	80.50

Est. sales 1,451 contracts; Wednesday 1,765; open interest 11,434 off 36.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	57.50	57.60	57.10	57.22	57.10
Dec	54.05	54.37	53.70	53.95	54.05
Feb	51.65	51.82	51.10	51.27	51.40
Apr	48.20	48.40	47.95	48.12	47.97
Jun	51.80	51.90	51.50	51.62	51.55
Jly	52.00	52.10	51.85	51.95	51.95
Aug	50.40	50.75	50.40	50.50	50.60
Oct	45.35	45.50	45.35	45.37	45.55

Est. sales 5,685 contracts; Wednesday 6,786; open interest 24,889 off 431.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	67.00	67.15	65.25	66.00	66.70
Mar	66.60	66.87	65.10	65.70	66.42
May	66.70	66.90	65.15	66.10	66.70
Jly	65.90	66.00	64.02	64.70	65.85
Aug	62.30	62.30	61.30	61.60	63.30

Est. sales 4,851 contracts; Wednesday 4,373; open interest 8,117 up 89.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 123.33 up 14 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 123.04 up 28 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 115.84 down 9 cents, 700-850 lbs. 114.39 down 21 cents.

Pork carlot trading light to moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were not fully established; skinned hams steady; seedless bellies were not established; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 116.00- 116.50; hams 20-26 lbs. 98.00-101.50; bellies 16-18 lbs. 60.00.

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WESLACO, Texas (OCT. 18) UPI - The dreaded ''killer bees'' from South America have finally landed on U.S. soil, but other than a quarantine slapped on beekepers in eight Texas counties Thursday, the arrival of the bees came with little fanfare.

''We've been expecting it for the past four or five years,'' said Glenn Mace of Edinburg, president of the Texas Beekeepers Association.

''At first we got a lot of adverse publicity scaring people to death. They were looking at clouds of bees coming in. It's calmed down now,'' Mace said.

Federal officials Wednesday confirmed a swarm of about 3,000 of the so-called ''killer bees'' was found in a bee monitoring trap outside Hidalgo at the southernmost tip of Texas. The bees are a hybrid of South American honey bees and bees introduced from Africa.

The bees earned their ominious nickname because they are easily provoked to sting, especially when traveling in swarms. Hundreds of people have reportedly been killed through the years as the bees made their way up through South America and Latin America after being brought to Brazil in 1956 for research and interbreeding with local honey bees.

The 3,000 bees were destroyed, and Texas authorities do not expect to see many more of them for at least another year.

''I would be surprised if we find more than 10 swarms in the next 18 months,'' said John Thomas, an entomologist with the Texas A&M University agricultural extension service assigned to an A&M monitoring station in Weslaco.

''These are pioneer swarms that are way out in front of the major population density,'' Thomas said. ''There are very few of them for 200 miles south of here.''

Texas officials still imposed a quarantine on beekeepers in Hidalgo, Willacy, Cameron, Starr, Zapata, Webb, Jim Hogg and Brooks counties, prohibiting beekeepers from taking their bees outside the eight-county area.

All beekeepers within a two-mile radius of the monitoring trap were placed under a stricter quarantine, prohibited from traveling outside the two-mile area until all their bees could be inspected.

The Africanized bees were found in one of 500 monitoring traps set up along the Texas-Mexico border. Thomas said the number of traps likely will be doubled, and that monitoring will increase.

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower Thursday called on Gov. Bill Clements to release emergency funds for use in stepped up monitoring and quarantine enforcement.

''The Africanized bees are not a major health threat. But, unfortunately, it may create serious problems for honey production and pollination services in Texas,'' Hightower said. ''The yearly value of hive products, including honey, is estimated at $9 million to $11.5 million, and crop pollination is worth $480 million annually.''

Mace said the quarantine likely will force business costs up 10 percent to 20 percent.

''The beekeepers have been anticipating the problem, and they're pretty much ready,'' Mace said.

Thomas, who labeled the Africanized bees ''a honey bee with a personality problem,'' said the general public probably won't notice the arrival of the bees for at least another year.

''In 12 months to 18 months we should have enough in the Rio Grande Valley where people will see a lot more swarms of bees. There will be several stinging incidents,'' Thomas said. ''These bees will behave like yellow jackets.''

Swarms of killer bees initially were expected to arrive in Texas in 1987 or 1988.

Since that time, beekeeper groups, researchers and area officials have spearheaded a far-reaching public education program, telling their audiences at civic clubs, schools and other meeting places not to panic.

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VIENNA (OCT. 18) UPI - French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas, in Austria for talks on the Persian Gulf crisis with Soviet counterpart Eduard Shevardnadze, expressed hope Thursday that Iraq would ''change its attitude'' and allow a peaceful resolution of the conflict.

Dumas made the comment following a hastily arranged meeting in Vienna at which the two officials also set a date for Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev's trip to Paris. Dumas said the visit would take place Oct. 28-29.

The Soviet Union and France have taken leading roles in seeking a peaceful solution to the crisis sparked by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. Two weeks ago Gorbachev's troubleshooter, Yevgeni Primakov, held what were described as exploratory talks in Baghdad with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

Primakov has since repeatedly indicated Iraq's resolve may be weakening but publicly there seemed few indications of peace by the major players in the gulf.

While acknowledging that no magic solution was at hand, Dumas told reporters he still believed war could be avoided.

''We have hope Iraq will change its attitude ... and allow a peaceful and political solution to the gulf crisis,'' Dumas said.

Shevardnadze, speaking to reporters upon his arrival in Vienna, said he brought with him ''no ready concept'' for solving the crisis but reiterated the Soviet position that no compromise is acceptable short of Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

The Soviet official also said Moscow sees ''no direct connection'' between the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait and the conflict in the Israeli- occupied territories. Saddam Hussein last month proposed that a solution to the gulf crisis be linked to a parallel settlement of the Arab- Israeli disupte.

The private talks in the Soviet Embassy were announced late Wednesday by the two governments. Both foreign ministers also met separately with Austrian Foreign Minister Alois Mock before returning to their capitals.

The bilateral discussions also included the year-end meeting in Paris of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

The Soviet news agency Tass, commenting on the meeting between Shevardnadze and Dumas, said, ''Analysts here draw attention to the similarity of approaches by the Soviet Union and France to the possibility of a peaceful resolution of the Gulf crisis and the need to convene an international Middle East peace conference.''

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CHICAGO (OCT. 18) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.63 1/2	2.65 1/2	2.62	2.63 3/4	2.63 1/2
Mar	2.78	2.80	2.76 1/4	2.78 1/4	2.78
May	2.85 1/2	2.86 3/4	2.83 3/4	2.85 1/2	2.84 1/2
Jly	2.89	2.91 1/4	2.87 3/4	2.89 1/2	2.88
Sep	....	....	....	2.94 1/2	2.93 1/2
Dec	3.05	3.05	3.05	3.05	3.05
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.29 1/2	2.29 3/4	2.27 3/4	2.28	2.28 3/4
Mar	2.38 1/2	2.38 1/2	2.36 1/2	2.37	2.37 3/4
May	2.44	2.44 1/2	2.42 1/4	2.42 1/2	2.43 3/4
Jly	2.48	2.48 1/4	2.46	2.46 1/4	2.47 1/2
Sep	2.46 3/4	2.46 3/4	2.45	2.45	2.46 1/4
Dec	2.49	2.49	2.46 1/2	2.46 3/4	2.48 1/2
Mar	....	....	....	2.53	2.54 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.24 1/4	1.24 1/4	1.22	1.23	1.23 1/4
Mar	1.34	1.34	1.32 1/2	1.33 1/2	1.33 1/2
May	1.41	1.41	1.39 1/2	1.40 1/2	1.40 1/2
Jly	1.47	1.47	1.45 1/2	1.46	1.46
Sep	....	....	....	1.52	1.52
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	6.15 1/2	6.16 1/2	6.10	6.10 1/4	6.14 1/2
Jan	6.31 1/2	6.31 1/2	6.25	6.25 1/4	6.29 1/4
Mar	6.43	6.43 1/2	6.38 1/4	6.38 1/2	6.42 1/4
May	6.53 1/2	6.54	6.49	6.49	6.52 3/4
Jly	6.62 1/2	6.63	6.57 1/2	6.57 3/4	6.60 3/4
Aug	6.55	6.56	6.52 1/2	6.52 1/2	6.55
Sep	6.32	6.33 1/2	6.27	6.27	6.28
Nov	6.21	6.21	6.17 1/2	6.18 3/4	6.19 1/2
Jan	....	....	....	6.27 1/2	6.29
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Oct	22.35	22.38	22.04	22.08	22.18
Dec	22.62	22.72	22.33	22.35	22.52
Jan	22.92	22.96	22.61	22.66	22.80
Mar	23.30	23.41	23.10	23.10	23.21
May	23.68	23.72	23.43	23.47	23.51

Jul	23.82	23.92	23.65	23.66	23.70
Aug	23.75	23.80	23.60	23.67	23.55
Sep	23.50	23.60	23.45	23.57	23.40
Oct	23.10	23.15	23.00	23.07	23.20
Dec	23.15	23.15	22.80	23.00	22.85

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	181.00	181.00	178.70	179.20	180.20
Dec	185.50	185.50	183.30	183.70	184.80
Jan	187.80	187.80	185.60	186.00	187.10
Mar	190.50	190.70	189.20	189.40	190.30
May	192.00	192.00	190.40	190.60	191.40
Jul	193.50	193.50	191.80	191.80	193.00
Aug	192.00	193.00	192.00	192.00	192.50
Sep	191.00	191.00	187.80	187.80	189.20
Oct	185.00	185.00	184.00	184.20	185.00
Dec	185.00	185.00	184.00	184.70	184.50

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(OCT. 18) UPI - The government says inflation at the consumer level was up to six- point-six percent on an annual rate at the end of September, largely because of soaring fuel prices resulting from the Persian Gulf crisis. That's up from four-point-nine percent last September. The increase comes with a sharp eight-tenths of one percent jump in consumer prices last month, most of it energy related. Economists say the upward spiral will continue to the end of the year.

Iraq says it will sell oil for 21 dollars a barrels. There's one catch... getting the oil out of the country. The bargain-basement price... a little more than one-half of current world levels... comes because of the U-N embargo that has stopped shipments of any oil from Iraq and Kuwait. Analysts say the offer shows the embargo is hurting. Western diplomats in Cairo say the offer is as hollow as an earlier one Iraq made of free oil to Third World countries... only to have NO takers.

What a difference a day makes. Residents of the Midwest had to get out the heavy coats and gloves this morning less than 24 hours after basking in summer-like sunshine and temperatures. A cold front moved in from the West, dumping up to a foot of snow in central and northeastern Minnesota. 40-mile-an-hour winds sent the chill factor down to zero. The first snow of the season greeted Chicagoans, in stark contrast to yesterday's 78-degree weather.

In Fort Lauderdale, Florida, today the defense questioned a police detective at the obscenity trial of three members of the rap group 2 Live Crew. Vice officer Eugene McCloud testified that nude dance shows and adult bookstores

are scattered throughout Broward County. The defense is trying to show that the group's sexually explicit concert at Club Futura in Hollywood, Florida, last June did NOT violate community standards of decency.

Ousted Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto has lost a second legal challenge against the constitutionality of her being turned out of office by Pakistan's president. Bhutto's 20- month-old government was dismantled on August 6th on charges of corruption and nepotism and the National Assembly was dissolved.

Communist guerrillas today attacked a military communications station 85 miles north of Manila. Philippine armed forces chief General Renato de Villa says the rebels killed two soldiers and wounded four others... then set the relay station ablaze fleeing with seven rifles and a walkie-talkie. The 19-thousand-member New People's Army has been fighting the government for 19 years.

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#90291u1320 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Gold futures closed Thursday 280 to 340 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	366.20	370.10	366.20	370.10	366.70
Nov	368.20	....	....	370.80	368.00
Dec	370.00	373.60	367.80	373.00	369.80
Feb	374.20	377.00	372.30	377.00	373.80
Apr	378.50	381.00	376.50	380.70	377.50
Jun	380.50	384.60	380.50	384.60	381.40
Aug	385.50	....	....	388.60	385.40
Oct	389.50	....	....	392.60	389.30
Dec	394.70	396.70	394.70	396.70	393.40
Feb	398.10	....	....	401.20	397.90
Apr	401.40	405.40	401.40	405.40	402.10
Jun	406.60	410.00	406.60	410.00	406.80
Aug	411.80	....	....	414.80	411.60

Open interest: 114,632 off 4,694.

Estimated sales: 40,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	366.75	up 4.25
Morning fixing	370.00	up 3.25
Afternoon fixing	367.85	up 1.10
Close	366.75	unchanged
Paris	371.15	up 1.36
Zurich	368.50	up 1.00
Hong Kong	368.87	up 3.32
New York		
Comex spot close	370.10	up 3.40
Republic cash	370.25	up 3.00
Handy and Harman	367.85	up 1.85

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 369.13 up 1.86 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 387.59 up 1.96 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.198	unchanged
Republic cash	4.225	unchanged

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.19 per fine ounce off 0.04

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.195 off 0.03 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.489 off 0.032

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 400.00 up 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 500.00 up 2.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 92.50 up 3.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 107.50 up 3.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90291u1341 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 7 to 14 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.80	10.00	9.58	9.63	9.49
May	9.82	10.00	9.61	9.62	9.51
Jly	9.90	10.05	9.65	9.65	9.56
Oct	9.92	10.02	9.65	9.67	9.57
Mar	10.05	....	....	9.80	9.73

Estimated sales: 24,762 contracts

Open interest: 112,437 off 1,056
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.73

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday unchanged to 1 point higher.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.37	23.37	23.35	23.35	23.35
Mar	23.33	23.35	23.33	23.33	23.32
May	23.40	23.41	23.40	23.40	23.39
Jly	23.40	23.41	23.40	23.40	23.39
Sep	23.31	23.32	23.31	23.31	23.30
Nov	23.05	23.05	23.01	23.01	23.00
Jan	23.00	....	....	22.99	22.98

Estimated sales: 305 contracts
Open interest: 10,561 up 20

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	349.88	210.51	137.62	19.28	298.76
Opening	352.14	212.88	138.06	19.46	300.56
11 a.m.	355.57	215.24	138.50	19.62	303.19
Noon	355.89	215.53	138.57	19.62	303.43
1 p.m.	357.26	217.29	138.82	19.74	304.59
2 p.m.	356.01	215.76	138.45	19.65	303.51
3 p.m.	354.75	215.00	138.14	19.52	302.44

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#90291u1395 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (OCT. 18) UPI - Israeli soldiers shot and wounded at least 26 Palestinians who attacked a new Israeli army observation post in a Gaza Strip refugee camp in an incident Thursday that turned the U.S. crude market upward.

Hundreds of residents in the Rafah refugee camp's Shabura neighborhood threw stones and bottles at the soldiers who had just set up the observation post on the roof of a three-story building, Palestinian sources said.

The residents were enraged that the army had put a post in the center of the neighborhood for the first time since the start of the 34-month- old uprising

against Israeli occupation, the sources said.

The posts, a common site in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, usually are manned by several soldiers and fly an Israeli flag.

The soldiers used ''a variety of means'' to disperse the stone- throwing crowd ''including plastic bullets fired in a very controlled manner,'' the army spokesman said.

Palestinian sources said 35 people with gunshot wounds were brought to the hospital, including five in serious condition, but the army said 26 Arabs, most lightly wounded in the incident.

The area was reported quiet by nightfall.

The news of the shooting helped U.S. crude prices rebound in afternoon trading after they fell more than $2 a barrel as the market's downward bias gained strength from Iraq's offer to sell oil at lower prices.

The U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery was down only 2 cents from Wednesday's close at $36.70 a barrel in afternoon trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange after trading as low as $34.40 a barrel.

Analysts were looking for WTI to drop to around $34 a barrel, the Oct. 2 low price of recent weeks, once selling drove prices through the Merc's key $37.15 support level late Wednesday.

But the story of the shooting turned the market upward in late afternoon trading, said Tom Bentz, director of trading at New York's United Energy Inc.

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#90291u1404 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

RICHMOND, Va. (OCT. 18) UPI - A designer of execution equipment said Thursday excessive bleeding from the nose of convicted cop killer Wilbert Evans during his electrocution may indicate his death was inhumane.

One media witness reported seeing ''blood bubbling ... down his belly and his shirt'' as Evans was executed Wednesday night for murdering an Alexandria deputy sheriff during an attempted jail escape.

Evans was put to death with two 55-second bursts of electricity just hours after the U.S. Supreme Court declined to stay his execution. Also, Gov. L. Douglas Wilder refused to commute his sentence to life in prison.

Deborah Groome, acting operations officer at the State Penitentiary, said the attending physician who examined the body found a nose bleed ''and that was

it.''

Groome said Evans jerked against the mask with the first jolt to cause the nose bleed, and the death mask made the blood spread to make ''it look like more than it was.''

The state medical examiner's office, however, issued a report Thursday morning saying the nosebleed was caused by a temporary increase in blood pressure from the electrocution and that there was ''no evidence of trauma.''

Fred Leuchter, whose Boston company has helped numerous states design and maintain execution equipment, said if the mask caused the bleeding, ''something is wrong with the design. It's not particularly humane. ... If that's the case, the equipment would have to be examined.''

Groome also suggested the death mask may have been too small for Evans' nose, considering he weighed 258 pounds.

''If they put something on his face that was too small for his physical features, that would be inhumane, medieval,'' Leuchter said.

Leuchter said in theory the the 2,400 volts used in an electrocution shoulddestroy the nervous system in 1/240th of a second - 24 times as fast it takes the system to record pain. ''That should guarantee there's no pain,'' he said.

Laura Dillard, the press aide for Gov. L. Douglas Wilder, said no review of execution procedures is in the works because the Corrections Department had offered ''an acceptable explanation of what occurred.''

Leuchter, noting he was an engineer and not a doctor, said he couldn't comment on blood pressure, but said in any electrocution, ''bleeding is extremely unusual. It should probably be examined and probably should be investigated... I don't know of any (execution) that included bleeding.''

Although Leuchter has worked with dozens of states on executions, his professional credentials are under assault. He faces arraignment next week in Middlesex County, Mass., on charge of practicing engineering without a license.

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#90291u1405 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (OCT. 18) UPI - Engineers geared up Thursday for a final series of rocket firings to complete a subtle course adjustment that will give the Ulysses probe an extra week of science observations over the polar regions of the sun.

Engineers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., ordered

Ulysses to fire its small thrusters in pulses over a 26-hour period Monday and Tuesday to slightly alter the probe's trajectory toward a 1992 course-changing flyby of Jupiter, which will fling the craft back toward the sun.

Ten hours of rocket firings were planned late Thursday to boost the craft's velocity by about 220 mph. As a result, Ulysses will sail past Jupiter on Feb. 8, 1992, three days earlier than originally planned, which translates into more time for observing the sun in 1994 and 1995.

''The bottom-line end-result is, it buys us an extra week of scientific observing time in the polar regions of the sun,'' said JPL spokesman Frank O'Donnell.

Built by the European Space Agency, Ulysses was launched Oct. 6 from the space shuttle Discovery. Engineers planned to begin activating and checking out the probe's nine science instruments Friday.

The shuttle's five-man crew - commander Richard ''Dick'' Richards, 44, co-pilot Robert Cabana, 41, flight engineer William Shepherd, 41, Bruce Melnick, 40, and Thomas Akers, 39 - held a news conference Thursday at the Johnson Space Center in Houston to discuss the results of the flight.

Richards told reporters the flawless launch of Ulysses was the clear highlight of the four-day mission, NASA's first in nearly six months because of a series of hydrogen fuel leaks and other problems that grounded the shuttles Columbia and Atlantis.

''People were absolutely ecstatic about it,'' Richards said. ''I would characterize it as a big shot in the arm. We needed a flight like this given the long summer that we had. We knew we could fly a flight like this, but we hadn't had an opportunity to do that in a long while.''

Ulysses was built to fly over the never-before-seen poles of the sun to give scientists their first three-dimensional view of Earth's star, its magnetic field and the solar wind, a supersonic stream of electrically charged particles blasted away from the sun.

The problem for NASA and the European Space Agency was that no existing rocket was powerful enough to overcome Earth's orbital velocity of nearly 50 miles per second in the direction of the planet's orbit around the sun's equator.

To achieve an orbit around the sun at right angles to Earth's orbit, Ulysses was fired to Jupiter for a 1992 flyby in which the probe will utilize the giant planet's gravity for a boost down, out of the plane of the solar system and back toward the south pole of the sun.

This week's rocket firings marked the first of two such course corrections planned for this year. The next is scheduled to begin Nov. 2.

''The burns Monday and Tuesday were to steer the spacecraft, to adjust our targeting and the aim point we want to hit at Jupiter,'' O'Donnell said. ''The burn (Thursday) was a speed-up burn that will increase the craft's speed by 220 mph. Taken together, these basically get us to Jupiter sooner.''

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NYSE SEAT SOLD FOR $295,000

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange Thursday said a seat was sold on the exchange for $295,000, down $6,000 from the last sale Sept. 4.

The exchange said the current bid for an exchange seat is $285,000, while the offering price is $300,000.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $12 to $21 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.05 cent to 0.40 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.85 to 1.90 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.11 cent to 0.65 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.80 to $3.40 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.70 an ounce higher across the board for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 3.35 cents to 4.75 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex unchanged to 0.2 cent an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.007 to 0.014 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Higher.

American Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn was off 3/4 to 1 3/4, soybeans down 1 to 4 1/4, wheat unchanged to up 1 1/2 and oats unchanged to off 1/4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 18) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.48 3/4-2.53 3/4 up 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.02 1/4- 6.11 1/4 off 4 1/4 to 3 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.14-2.28 off 2 3/4 to 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.28-2.32 off 3/4 to 1/4.

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#90291u1488 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (OCT. 18) UPI - General Motors Corp. said Thursday it is recalling about 64,000 1990-model Buick Riviera and Reatta, Oldsmobile Toronado and Trofeo, and Cadillac Seville and Eldorado luxury cars with console- mounted gearshifts.

GM said the shift control cables may disconnect from the selector, causing the transaxle to remain in the last gear selected and render the vehicle inoperable.

GM spokesman Tom Pyden said the automaker knows of no accidents or injuries related to the condition. GM will install a retaining clip on the shift control cable free of charge at authorized dealers.

Models with steering column-mounted gear shift levers are not affected by the recall, GM said.

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JERUSALEM (OCT. 18) UPI - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir reaffirmed Israeli sovereignty over Jerusalem Thursday, saying it was a ''grave mistake'' for the U.N. Security Council to humiliate Israel in an effort to maintain unity in the U.S.-led coalition against Iraq.

Despite the veiled criticism of the United States in his comments, Shamir also attempted to play down tensions between Israel and its No. 1 ally that have increased since Israeli police killed 20 Palestinians on the Temple Mount nearly two weeks ago.

Last week, the U.N. Security Council, including the U.S. representative, condemned the Israeli action and ordered a delegation to Israel to investigate the violence.

Israel's Cabinet rejected cooperating with the U.N. delegation, and Israeli leaders have characterized the resolution as one-sided with its condemnation of Israel but no denouncement of stones thrown by Palestinians onto Jewish worshippers at the nearby Western Wall.

Without referring directly to the United States, Shamir denounced the condemnation of Israel, urging Israel's supporters to turn away from attacks against his country and concentrate on confronting Iraq.

''The main factor in the camp fighting evil in the Middle East made a grave mistake when it tried to buy the unity of its camp in return for humiliating and endangering the state of Israel,'' Shamir told a convention of Israel's Union of Farmers Thursday.

The prime minister repeated his opposition to the U.N. delegation, which right-wing Israelis view as an encroachment on Israel's control over Jerusalem.

In letters to President Bush and Secretary of State James Baker this week, Shamir and Foreign Minister David Levy also said Israel would continue construction in all parts of Jerusalem, Israel Radio reported.

At the same time, Israeli officials have said Israel would cooperate with the monitoring of how U.S. funds and bank guarantees for housing construction were used. Washington opposes use of its funds for projects outside Israel's pre-1967 borders, which includes East Jerusalem.

''We do not want a conflict with the United States. We do not want any political confrontations at all,'' Shamir told the convention. ''But Israel can in no way sign with its own hands on a verdict of resigning its sovereignty over Jerusalem.

''We call on our friends to turn the unfortunate leaf, to erase it and to concentrate again on the main mission of destroying the terrible danger and (concentrating on) peace and stability in this important part of the world.''

Israel annexed Arab East Jerusalem and the Old City after its troops captured the territory from Jordan during the 1967 Israeli- Arab war and declared Jerusalem the nation's capital. But most nations, including the United States, consider East Jerusalem occupied territory.

Levy said Thursday he believed tension between Israel and the United States had been reduced after Baker on Wednesday reaffirmed the need for a unified Jerusalem. Levy also indicated Israel might consider cooperating with a U.N. delegation on the Temple Mount violence if it was not connected to the Security Council resolution.

Shamir has appointed a three-member committee, led by a former chief of Israel's Mossad, to investigate the violence. On Thursday, the Israeli investigation team interviewed Border Police involved in the rioting.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - Last week, Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., with an eye focused on protecting Israel's southern flank, proposed slowing the rapidly escalating U.S. arms sales to besieged Saudi Arabia.

In the past, such a resolution would likely have brought widespread support from senators concerned with Israel's defense. This time, it didn't.

Earlier this week, Secretary of State James Baker sat before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, which in normal times would have taken him to the woodshed for drafting a United Nations resolution condemning Israel. This time it didn't.

In fact, not one senator even mentioned the U.N. resolution condemning Israel for the deaths last week of 21 rock-throwing Palestinians at Jerusalem's Al Aksa Mosque.

Senate aides say members are reluctant to criticize the administration's support of the resolution for fear that such remarks could unravel the fragile Arab unity President Bush believes is necessary to keep the pressure on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

But the members are equally reluctant to openly rebuke Israel, whose American supporters could harm their re-election efforts.

''There is a message in the silence,'' said one Senate aide. ''In this case, people may be a little slower to defend Israel but not so quick to criticize the Israelis.''

''Jewish groups are very politically attuned and they maximize their potential '' said Larry Sabato, a University of Virgina political scientist who has written several books on political action committees.

The top 26 Pro-Israel PACs, which generally act in unison by supporting and opposing the same candidates, contributed $2.2 million to congressional races, from Jan. 1, 1989, through September, according to a United Press International review of Federal Election Commission records. The amount represents more than any other ideological groups, including abortion activists, gun-control organizations, conservative or liberal PACs.

''I would put them at the top,'' Sabato said. ''I think they are at least as well organized as the abortion lobby and better financed.''

Sabato added that pro-Israel PACs are only part of the equation. ''Some people might say it's anti-Semitic, but it's just a fact of life (that) a substantial amount of money (for campaigns) is coming from (individual) Jewish citizens,'' he said.

Six years ago, Jewish groups and Jewish voters helped defeat incumbent Sen. Charles Percy, R-Ill., chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, who showed support for PLO Chairman Yasir Arafat and criticized Israel.

Pro-Israel PACs and supporters began contributing money to Democratic challenger Paul Simon.

Today, Sen. Simon is seeking a second term in a tough campaign against moderate Rep. Lynn Martin, R-Ill.

Despite Martin's favorable voting record toward Israel, the congresswoman received only $1,000 from pro-Israel PACs, from Jan. 1, 1989, through September. Simon netted $172,600, nearly 20 percent of his total PAC account. Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., topped the list, with $172, 800.

Many strong supporters of Israel who face tough re-election bids next month

also have received large donations from pro-Israel groups. What's more, their opponents, some of whom like Martin are lawmakers with strong pro-Israel voting records, have received only token donations.

Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, engaged in a bitter contest against Rep. Tom Tauke, R-Iowa, ranks third in overall receipts, with $166,500 from pro- Israel PACs. Tauke, though supporting Israel, has received nothing.

Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, received $111,300 and faces a stiff challenge from Rep. Claudine Schneider, a moderate Republican who received only $1,000.

Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., who also faces a competitive contest, was the fifth top recipient, collecting $101,600. Democratic opponent, Harvey Sloane, received nothing.

Meanwhile, top House recipients of pro-Israel money are among the powerful lawmakers who face little or no opposition next month.

Rep. David Obey, D-Wis., topped the list, netting $34,000. He was followed by Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., chairman of the Armed Services Committee, who received $25,000, Rep. Sidney Yates, D-Ill., who collected $24,500, and Rep. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., who got $20,000. Reps. Vin Weber, R-Minn. and Eliot Engel, D-N.Y. each received $19,950.

Predictably, Arab groups contend unequivocal support for Israel comes at a price.

''Those who are recipients of funds from pro-Israel PACs are punished if they do not toe the line,'' said Khalil Jahshan, associate executive director of the National Association of Arab Americans.

Sen. Robert Dole, R-Kan., the Republican leader, a consistent supporter of Israel, knows that even a benign foreign policy initiative can be construed as ''anti-Israeli.''

Last January, American Jewish groups led the charge to scuttle a proposal by Dole to cut ''across the board'' U.S. foreign aid and transfer the savings to developing democracies like Czechoslovakia and Hungary.

''Unfortunately because of the politics surrounding the issue it became a Senate vs. Israel issue,'' recalled Dole's spokesman, Walt Riker. ''We got a lot of heat.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate

Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.99

60 to 89 days 7.91

90 to 119 days 7.92

120 to 149 days 7.83

150 to 179 days 7.78

180 to 270 days 7.72

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.00 - 7.80

Issuers 30 days 8.03

Issuers 90 days 7.94

Issuers 270 days 7.52

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.16

60 to 89 days 8.14

90 to 119 days 8.19

120 to 149 days 8.19

150 to 179 days 8.19

180 days 8.19

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.00 - 8.125

1 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

3 month 8.125 - 8.25

6 month 8.125 - 8.25

Year 8.125 - 8.25

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.26 - 7.24

6 months 7.20 - 7.18

Year 7.10 - 7.08

Federal Funds: High 8, Low 7 15-16, Close 7 15-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7.864 up 0.012.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90291u1519 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 18) UPI - Higher energy costs sent consumer prices up a sharp eight-tenths of one percent last month. Economists say almost all of the big September price jump was energy related due to the continuing crisis in the Persian Gulf. Gasoline prices rose nine and one-half percent, and fuel oil was up a staggering 15-point-nine percent. And the upward spiral may NOT be over. Georgia State University economist Don Ratajczak predicts rising prices through the rest of year because of uncertainty in the Middle East.

They apparently have gone to ''Game Plan B'' in the Soviet Union with burial of an earlier 500-day plan to turn the centralized economy into a market-driven one. The new outline from President Mikhail Gorbachev lets the 15 republics choose whatever plan they think will work and then go ahead with it. His earlier program was called too detailed, too unrealistic and capable of producing hyper- inflation.

There were NO great celebrations in what had been East Germany today to mark the one-year ouster of former Stanlinist leader Eric Honecker . Parliamentarians from the former East Germany met in a now-united Berlin to deliver speeches marking the occasion. Honecker ruled the East for 18 years before the infamous wall came down. He now reportedly lives with his wife in a simple two-room apartment at a Soviet military hospital outside Berlin, drawing an old-age pension of 337 dollars a month.

It's now Hurricane Nana. Forecasters at the National Hurricane Center in Florida say Nana's maximum sustained winds intensified to near 75 miles an hour today, making it a minimal hurricane. At noon, E-D-T, Nana was centered about 45 miles south of Bermuda, moving north-northwest at close to 10 miles an hour. The hurricane is expected to pick up steam during the next 24 hours.

Four years of emergency rule is over for the troubled South African province of Natal. President Frederik de Klerk lifted the state of emergency on the Indian Ocean province today, citing improved security in the area. Natal has been torn by bloody clases between rival black groups that has claimed more than three-thousand lives since 1987. Lifting of the emergency does NOT mean there are any immediate plans to reduce army or police forces in the area.

Washington Mayor Marion Barry is threatening to get help from the National Guard if violence in the nation's capital does NOT subside. The threat also includes placing curfews on residents of some areas of the city. There were nine violent deaths recorded in Washington just last weekend alone, pushing the total to 373 so far this year. Police Chief Isaac Fulwood has set up a special unit of 100 officers to help curb the violence.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1054.0
Wednesday	1053.7
Week ago	1077.3
Month ago	1088.5
Year ago	1105.4
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1052.3

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2452.72	up 64.85
20 Trans	856.88	up 34.95
15 Utils	208.31	up 0.82

65 Stocks 869.84 up 22.61

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#90291u1547 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Thursday	2452.72	up	64.85	856.88	up	34.95	208.31	up	0.82
Wednesday	2387.87	up	6.68	821.93	off	1.48	207.49	up	0.94
Week ago	2365.10	off	42.82	823.96	off	11.47	201.96	off	1.64
Month ago	2518.32	off	39.11	879.99	off	8.32	200.33	off	1.19
Year ago	2683.20	up	39.55	1263.51	up	15.64	215.42	up	1.45
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	63 7-8	up 3-8
AT&T Company	32	up 1 1-8
BCE Inc	30 7-8	up 3-8
Bell Atlantic	50 1-2	up 1 1-4
BellSouth Corp	51 1-2	off 1-2
Exxon Corp	48 1-2	unch
Ford Motor Co	30 1-2	off 1-8
Genl Electric	54 5-8	up 2
General Motors	36 3-8	up 7-8
GTE Corp	27 7-8	up 1-2
IBM Corp	105 1-8	up 4 3-8
Mobil Oil Corp	56 3-4	off 3-8
Nynex Corp	70 3-4	off 3-8
Pac Gas & Elec	23 3-8	up 1-4
Pacific Telesis	45	up 1
Phila Electric	16 3-4	up 3-8
Sears Roebuck	23 7-8	up 1-4
Southern Co	25 5-8	unch
Sthwestern Bell	53 1-4	off 3-8
US West Inc	37 3-8	up 1 3-8

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday 11 to 65 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	72.90	73.75	72.90	73.21	73.57
Mar	73.38	74.15	73.38	73.55	73.88
May	74.10	74.45	73.90	74.07	74.18
Jly	74.03	74.60	74.03	74.10	74.25
Oct	68.85	68.85	68.70	68.30	68.95
Dec	67.50	67.55	66.80	66.90	67.52
Mar	68.00	....	....	68.00	68.25

Estimated sales: 4,000 contracts
Open interest: 39,736 off 18
The World spot average: 70.22

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PORTLAND, Ore. (OCT. 18) UPI - Attorneys for a dead black man's family suing white supremacist Tom Metzger for $10 million dropped one count of their civil lawsuit Thursday and indicated they might later drop a second.

However, the attorneys claimed their move midway through the closely watched trial was not a result of constitutional free-speech questions raised about the allegations, only that the other two counts of their suit were adequate.

The American Civil Liberties Union had filed a friend of the court brief in the case, claiming it would be a violation of the First Amendment for a jury to find that Metzger, 52, Fallbrook, Calif., and son John, 22, had unintentionally incited the November 1988 slaying of Mulugeta Seraw, 27, by things they said or published.

However, the ACLU said the White Aryan Resistance leaders should be held liable if it was proved they intentionally tried to inflame skinheads to racial violence, leading to the baseball-bat beating death of the Ethiopian student outside his Portland apartment.

But before the ACLU could present its arguments orally Thursday, attorneys for the Southern Poverty Law Center and Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith amended their wrongful-death suit against the Metzgers and two of the convicted skinheads, based on evidence presented so far in the 2-week-old trial.

Attorney Richard Cohen withdrew count three of the lawsuit, accusing the

Metzgers of gross negligence. He also moved to drop count four, alleged under Oregon's racial intimidation law.

But when Circuit Judge Ancer Haggerty raised questions about whether the gross negligence count alone could result in punitive damages, Cohen withdrew his request to drop count four, asking to return to the motion after the Metzgers present their case. Haggerty later said he believed there had been enough evidence to submit the conspiracy claim in count four to the jury.

Cohen said the one and possibly two counts were being dropped because they were covered in count one of the lawsuit, alleging intentional misconduct, and count two, alleging ''reckless selection of agents,'' namely Dave Mazzella and two other WAR members who met with Portland skinheads before the killing.

The plaintiffs' attorney said the racial intimdation claim was ''part and parcel'' of the wrongful death allegation.

''We're not trying to water down our debate,'' Cohen told the judge.

''This whole complaint is water,'' Tom Metzger interjected.

Due to the late moves, ACLU attorney Michael Simon said the plaintiffs had ''stricken from this case many of the portions we find to be most offensive.'' However, he called for dismissal of the ''reckless selection of agents'' claim.

''The ACLU does not represent the Metzgers or come here on behalf of the Metzgers,'' Simon said, calling it a ''struggle'' to take a stand that conceivably could help the white supremacists.

''We find many of the Metzgers' views to be repugnant and socially and morally abhorrent,'' Simon said. ''But the law protects all.''

Haggerty also rejected the Metzgers' motions to dismiss the case or other counts of the lawsuit. But he said he was not sure punitive damages could be awarded solely on the basis of alleged recklessness by the Metzgers. Haggerty, one of Oregon's two black circuit judges, said he would review a prior ruling om a similar case.

The lawsuit seeks $10 million in compensatory damages, based on the loss of income to Seraw's estate and the pain and suffering to his family. It also seeks unspecified punitive damages to punish Metzger and the other defendants for their actions - to ''put them out of business,'' in Dees' words.

The plaintiffs rested their case Wednesday. The Metzgers, who are defending themselves, said they would call Mazzella, the plaintiffs' key witness, back to the stand. Mazzella testified earlier that the Metzgers taught him to commit acts of violence against minorities.

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#90291u1569 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 12,380,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,785,843,770
Bonds - $5,110,000
1990 to date - $585,216,000

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#90291u1570 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 204,120,000 shares
1990 to date - 32,021,942,252
Warrants - 1,398,200
1990 to date - 203,038,900

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(OCT. 18) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	167.13	up	3.54
ASE Market Value Index	291.84	up	2.71
Dow-Jones Industrial	2452.72	up	64.85

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#90291u1580 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	291.84	yp	2.71
High Technology	288.70	up	4.97
Capital Goods	308.45	up	1.16
Consumer Goods	358.86	up	3.86
Service	633.30	up	10.52
Retail	879.18	up	33.12
Financial	342.51	off	3.02
Natural Resources	225.56	up	0.72
Housing-Const-Land	260.88	up	8.23

There was a gain of 8 cents in the price of an Amex share.
REGIONALS

New England	373.64	up	3.84
Mid Atlantic	379.21	up	1.80
No Central	371.75	up	11.32
So Atlantic	788.88	up	2.71
So Central	295.05	up	0.91
Mountain	104.54	up	1.57

Pacific	330.34	up	5.28
Foreign	222.32	up	1.33

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#90291u1586 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Thursday - $44,500,000

1990 to date - $8,899,125,000

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#90291u1588 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - An advisory panel has criticized the Energy Department for rushing restart of the Rocky Flats nuclear weapons plant and failing to face up to ''root'' safety problems at the troubled Colorado facility, documents showed Thursday.

In a Sept. 11 letter to Energy Secretary James Watkins, the department's Advisory Committee on Nuclear Facility Safety said it appeared top department officials were more interested in meeting restart schedules than assuring safety improvements at the aging plutonium-processing plant.

The panel urged the department to ''put aside a schedule'' and focus on the fundamental cause of safety problems at the plant - ''management failure to implement previously defined commitments.''

Responding to the letter, Watkins told the committee the department would not restart Rocky Flats until it complied with ''applicable (safety) standards.'' He added that the department would ''assure that exceptions to full compliance will pose no threat to the health or safety of the public or on-site workers.''

Watkins also said Rocky Flats officials were evaluating safety issues through risk assessment analyses that ''provide a logical process for deciding whether the issue has short-term urgency or can be factored into long-range planning.'' The document did not specify which issues might be deferred.

Watkins' response drew criticism from officials at Greenpeace, the international environmental group, which obtained and released the Energy Department documents.

''Why bother to set safety standards if you are simply going to disregard the ones you can't meet,'' said Stephen Scwartz, legislative coordinator for Greenpeace USA.

Department officials had no immediate comment.

Since taking office in 1989, Watkins has repeatedly pledged that the

department would make safety its first priority at its 1950s-vintage nuclear weapons production facilities, many of which - including Rocky Flats - are badly contaminated and deteriorating.

Rocky Flats was shut down in December 1989 due to concerns over deteriorating equipment and poor safety and waste disposal practices.

Watkins says restart of Rocky Flats is essential to maintain the government's nuclear weapons program because it fashions the plutonium ''triggers'' needed for atomic weapons. Department officials said earlier this year they hoped to restart plutonium processing by the end of 1990.

However, the advisory panel told Watkins the department appeared to be putting too much emphasis on its restart schedule, to the detriment of the safety improvement program at Rocky Flats.

''There are clear signs of a management perception (at Rocky Flats) that the Energy Department is pushing a specific restart schedule, rather than letting the restart schedule follow from the progress on necessary improvements,'' wrote John Ahearne, chairman of the advisory panel. ''That has affected everything that has been done at Rocky Flats.''

Ahearne said EG&G Inc., the private contractor that operates Rocky Flats for the government, as well as department officials had ''significantly overestimated'' their ability to correct safety problems at Rocky Flats within the tight schedule laid out by top agency officials.

''The committee is concerned that the Energy Department and its contractor may be attacking symptoms with reassignments of responsibilities and changes in Rocky Flats' policies, rather than truly facing up to the root cause, management failure to implement previously defined commitments,'' said Ahearne former chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

He told Watkins that over the last few months the advisory panel had seen ''less progress than we had hoped for'' in resolving problems at Rocky Flats.

''Many of the problems are so serious that the committee sees a need for the department to put aside a schedule and concentrate on identifying the problems developing a plan for their solution, and devoting sufficient resources to complete the plan,'' Ahearne wrote.

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#90291u1591 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 18) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Thursday - 11,049,000

1990 to date - 2,018,908,000

The market closed higher.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - Weekly injections of the hormone testosterone can be highly effective as a male contraceptive and may lead to the first easily reversible, reliable form of birth control for men, researchers reported Thursday.

In the first study of its kind, the hormone injections worked better for some men than birth control pills used by women and were much more reliable than such methods as the condom and IUD.

''We are very excited about this,'' said Timothy Farley of the World Health Organization in Geneva, Switzerland, which coordinated the international study. ''It's an important step on the road to developing a reliable, reversible male contraceptive.''

While weekly injections are not considered practical, the study suggests variations of the approach, such as shots given every three or four months or testosterone implants or patches, could be effective, he said.

The only forms of contraception currently available to men are condoms, which protect against sexually transmitted diseases like AIDS but are not highly effective in preventing pregnancy, and the surgical sterilization procedure called vasectomy, which is not usually reversible.

''There is a great need for a reversible contraceptive method for men,'' Farley said by telephone.

Family planning experts, however, were cautious, saying it is difficult to evaluate the results because the study eliminated a significant number of men whose sperm production was only reduced, not stopped, by the injections. ''There may be something to come out of it, but from this test one can not say it looks promising as a contraceptive or whether it doesn't look promising as a contraceptive,'' said Dr. C. Wayne Bardin of the Population Council in New York.

The study should, however, stimulate research to improve the approach, said Gabriel Bialy, chief of the contraceptive development branch of the government's National Institute on Child Health and Human Development.

''This tells us that if we can find the right combination of drugs ... we may have something that one could offer for family planning,'' Bialy said.

Testosterone is produced by the testes and stimulates sperm production. Previous studies have shown high doses of the hormone trick the testes into

believing testosterone production can be reduced, which halts sperm production.

The new study, published in the British medical journal The Lancet, is the first to examine whether the approach is an effective contraceptive by testing whether men whose sperm production has been stopped that way avoid pregnancy in their female partners.

The study involved 271 healthy men in China, Australia, England, France, Finland, Sweden and the United States. The U.S. part of the study led by Dr. C. Alvin Paulsen at the University of Washington in Seattle.

After an average of four months, 157 of the men had stopped producing any sperm. The remainder either dropped out, mostly because they did not like the weekly injections or it was impractical to continue them, or had only reduced sperm production. Researchers are studying whether that would be enough to prevent pregnancy.

Of the 25 men in the U.S. part of the study, one dropped out and 16 of the remaining 24 men experienced a complete halt to sperm production.

The men who achieved a halt to sperm production went on to the second part of the study, in which they continued normal sexual habits with their partner but stopped using any other type of birth control method.

After an average of 12 months of followup, only one pregnancy had occurred, which works out to a failure rate of less than one per 100 person-years, the researchers reported.

That compares to a failure rate of three per 100 person-years for oral contraceptives used by women, six per 100 for the IUD and 12 per 100 for condoms.

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 18) UPI - A group of earthquake experts who studied a New Mexico climatologist's prediction of an increased chance for a major quake along the New Madrid Fault in December said Thursday the theory has no scientific basis.

The 12 scientists who prepared their report on the prediction for the National Earthquake Prediction Evaluation Council gave their views on the projections by Iben Browning of Sandia Park, N.M., which have gained nationwide publicity in recent months.

Browning said there is a 50-50 chance for an earthquake measuring at least 7.0 on the Richter scale somewhere along the New Madrid Fault, which runs through southeastern Missouri, on or about Dec. 2 or Dec. 3.

However, the scientists from the council, the U.S. Geological Survey, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Central United States Earthquake Consortium said they disagreed with Browning's prediction.

''Based on a detailed scientific evaluation of Dr. Browning's methodology, there is no scientific basis for concluding that there is a higher probability of a large earthquake on or about December 2nd or 3rd, or any other day in the next several years,'' said Robert Wesson, chief of the Office of Earthquakes, Volcanoes and Engineering for the Geological Survey.

Duncan Agnew, a professor at the University of California at San Diego and a member of the working group that drafted the report, said Browning's method of correlating tides and earthquake occurrence is nothing new or different. Agnew said previous studies have employed the method, but very few have shown any correlation.

Wesson said Browning based some of his conclusions on the moon's gravitational pull on the Earth when the moon is at its northernmost point in the sky and close to Earth.

However, Jerome Hauer, director of the Central United States Earthquake Consortium, admitted there is a chance of an earthquake happening in the New Madrid Fault zone at some time. The Central United States Earthquake Consortium is made up of seven states - Missouri, Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee and Mississippi - in the region of the fault zone.

''There is in fact a risk of an earthquake in the central United States, and I don't think anyone would dispute (Browning),'' Hauer said. ''I think what they are telling us today is that the risk of an earthquake is as great today, tomorrow or the day after as is it is on December 3rd. There is nothing magical about the date December 3rd.''

Browning's prediction has been publicized heavily throughout the Midwest, and concern grew following an earthquake Sept. 26 measuring 4.6 on the Richter scale that had an epicenter about 10 miles southwest of Cape Girardeau in southeastern Missouri.

Several school districts in sections of Missouri, Arkansas, Kentucky and Illinois that surround the fault have canceled classes on Dec. 3 and 4 as a precaution. The Carrier Mills Unit 2 School District in Saline County, Ill., Thursday became the latest district to call off school on those dates.

City employees in Carbondale, Ill., have been told they may not take vacations that week, and state agencies in Missouri plan to hold earthquake preparedness drills in early December.

Hauer said the public, authorities and scientists should continue to promote

earthquake awareness in the Midwest even if the Dec. 3 prediction fails to come true.

''We need to continue and not become complacent,'' he said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2402.72	2461.63	2391.83	2452.72	up 64.85
20 Trans	826.00	864.28	823.41	856.88	up 34.95
15 Utils	207.75	210.14	206.61	208.31	up 0.82
65 Stock	851.42	874.95	847.72	869.84	up 22.61

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	25,756,400	18,244,200
Trans	5,177,300	3,286,100
Utils	5,279,700	3,836,000
65 Stock	36,213,400	25,366,300

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.13	up 0.39
10 Public Utils	91.45	up 0.40
10 Industrials	86.81	up 0.38

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 127.46 up 0.33.

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#90291u1620 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

WESTBORO, Mass. (OCT. 18) UPI - The U.S. Interior Department stuck to its guns Thursday on its choice of troubled Data General Corp. for a crucial $127 million contract, despite a congressional investigation into the agency's decision.

The department released a letter in which it responded to questions raised about the award and said it believes ''this matter is now closed.''

The contract, to set up a nationwide data communications network for Interior's U.S. Geological Survey, is important to Data General's efforts to end more than five year's of losses because it would amount to an endorsement of a new product line by a major customer.

The contract could also pave the way for more government work.

The department's letter and an accompanying memo, sent to Rep. Peter H. Kostmayer, D-Pa., head of a House subcommitee that reviews the agency's operations, defended its selection of Data General over SMS Data Products Group Inc. of Reston, Va., and a subsidiary of Lockheed Corp. of Burbank, Calif.

However, a spokesman for the department, Robert K. Walker, said: ''I guess we'll give the congressman a few days to respond to us. The action is back in his court.''

Among his objections to the choice of the big Massachusetts computer maker, Kostmayer had charged in an earlier letter to Interior that there was ''the appearance of bias'' in Data General's receiving the contract.

Also, he said, SMS had been low bidder, but was excluded late in the bidding process on technical grounds.

Interior first awarded the contract to Data General last December. However, the unsuccessful bidders got the contract award overturned in U.S. District Court in Washington. But just last week, the court decision was overturned by the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Washington and the Data General award was reinstated.

In a detailed memo accompanying its letter to Kostmayer, Interior cited the appeals court ruling as proof of the correctness of its choice. Moreover, it said SMS had changed its bid late in the bidding process to a form that did not meet specifications.

A staff member of the House Interior Committee, John O'Donnell, said the subcommittee is still evaluating the department's response.

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ANKARA, Turkey (OCT. 18) UPI - Turkish Defense Minister Safa Giray said Thursday he had resigned from the Cabinet of Prime Minister Yildirim Akbulut.

Giray, 59, was the second senior minister to resign from the Cabinet in six days. Last week Foreign Minister Ali Bozer resigned his job saying he was being ignored in important decisions of foreign policy.

In a similar complaint, Giray told Akbulut in his letter of resignation: ''I have come to the conclusion that mutual trust between yourself and me no longer exists.'' Akbulut told reporters he had not yet received Giray's letter.

Giray has held several positions in Cabinets of the ruling Motherland Party

since 1983, when Turgut Ozal was prime minister.

Akbulut, who took over as premier after Ozal was elected president last year, has faced internal dissent within the party. In February, Mesut Yilmaz resigned as foreign minister citing policy differences with Ozal.

Political commentators said the Akbulut government was on shaky ground because of problems arising from a high rate of inflation which the Motherland Party has been unable to control, and because Ozal, rather than Akbulut, appeared to be running the government.

Ozal was on a Middle East swing to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis with regional leaders after a meeting with President Bush last month.

Opposition leaders and several senior military officers have expressed dismay that Ozal seemed to be taking Turkey into war because of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, a development which they believed was of no direct concern to Turkey.

Turkey appeared to be drawn into the conflict because of its geographical location and its position as a member of NATO. There was no hint in Giray's letter of resignation that he opposed Turkey's role in the gulf crisis.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	32.75-32.85	32.50-32.60
North Sea Brent	35.60-35.65	36.65-36.75
West Texas Intermed	36.75-36.85	36.70-36.75
Light Louisiana Sweet	37.00-37.15	37.05-37.15
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	96.45-96.70	96.65-96.90
No. 2 Heating oil	95.10-95.25	96.65-96.85
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	91.45-91.70	91.90-92.15
No. 2 Heating oil	93.50-93.65	95.10-95.25

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the

National Market System Thursday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	142,863,040	27 7/8	off 1 3/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	88,587,264	61 1/8	up 4 5/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	83,694,056	44 5/8	up 1 1/8
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	73,482,592	28 1/2	up 2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	68,751,360	34	up 2
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	37,318,572	41 3/8	up 1 3/8
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	32,674,894	22 7/8	up 1 3/8
Borland Intl	(BORL)	31,752,724	23	up 2
Conner Prphrl	(CNNR)	31,121,160	19 3/8	up 2 1/4
St Jude Medcl	(STJM)	26,272,572	28 3/4	up 5/8

Composite Index 146.44 up 3.28

NMS volume 109189600 shares.

Advances	960
Declines	546
Unchanged	1,289
Total	2,795

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(OCT. 18) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	214.10	219.00	214.10	218.95	213.30
Mar	....	....	....	221.15	215.70
Jun	....	....	....	224.15	218.70

Previous day volume: 64 contracts.

Open interest: 1,168 off 19

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	302.10	308.50	301.55	308.15	300.60
Mar	304.55	311.00	304.30	310.75	303.15
Jun	....	313.30	309.80	313.60	305.60
Sep	....	316.00	310.00	316.50	308.50

Today's estimated volume: 60,972 contracts.

Open interest: 154,302 up 130

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.

Dec	165.00	168.70	164.95	168.55	164.35
Mar	166.50	169.40	166.50	169.85	165.65
Jun	168.30	168.30	168.30	171.15	166.95

Open interest: 5,626 up 253

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	501.50	513.00	500.50	512.30	498.85
Nov	502.00	513.00	500.75	512.20	498.60
Dec	503.10	514.75	502.75	514.20	500.60

Estimated volume 6,121 contracts.

Open interest: 9,670 up 49

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Foreign exchange dealers abandoned the sinking dollar in New York trading Thursday, driving the beleagured U.S. currency down through the psychologically important barrier of 1.50 German marks.

Currency traders said confidence in the dollar had ebbed to a new low after a spate of comments from U.S., Japanese and German monetary officials indicated central banks were not concerned enough to rally to its defense.

Coming on top of Washington's disarray in attempting to cobble together some compromise on the budget deficit and taxes, and the parlous state of the U.S. economy, that pulled the rug out from under the dollar.

''I think the short-term issues are so overwhelmingly bearish for the dollar '' said John McCarthy, chief foreign exchange dealer for the Amsterdam Rotterdam Bank in New York, ''it undermines confidence in the dollar.''

''There's every reason to sell,'' McCarthy added. ''Breaking 1.50 (marks to the dollar) was just a matter of time.

In late New York dealings, the dollar was quoted at 1.4970 German marks, down from 1.5120 Wednesday, and 124.40 Japanese yen, off from 125.40.

That German mark exchange rate set yet another in the long series of historic postwar lows for the dollar seen since mid-August. Until then, the record low mark rate had stood at 1.5715 since late December 1987.

Against the yen, the dollar seemed well on its way to shattering the existing record low price of 121.40, also set in late 1987.

''It's getting to be a depressing story,'' remarked international economist Jim Merrill of the McCarthy, Crisanti & Maffei investment bank.

''All the problems in Washington smell pretty bad, and the continued weakness

in the economy doesn't offer any support,'' he said. ''Traders sometimes look at the dollar and say it's a garbage currency - let's dump it.''

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2585 Swiss francs, down from 1.2712; 5.0440 French francs, off from 5.0665; and 1,121.50 Italian lire, off from 1,132.50.

The pound moved up to $1.9710 compared with $1.9620.

In Europe, the dollar closed higher on the back of relatively favorable U.S. trade and price figures, but analysts expected it to decline.

The U.S. trade deficit edged up 2.4 percent to $9.34 billion in August, but the energy-driven increase was not unexpected.

U.S. consumer prices were up 0.8 percent in September, the same as in August, but economists had expected prices to rise as much as 0.9 percent.

''The trade and consumer price figures have pushed the dollar a little higher. But it could go a lot further down before the Group of Seven steps into the market,'' said David Simmonds, Midland Bank's chief treasurer.

''Japan and Germany welcome the stronger currencies and the U.S. seems willing to accept the dollar's weakness,'' he added.

The dollar closed marginally higher in Frankfurt at 1.5105 German marks against 1.5095 at Wednesday's close, and was also slightly higher in Zurich, at 1.2745 Swiss francs against 1.2710.

In London the pound skidded to $1.9540 against $1.9650.

The dollar closed unchanged in Paris at 5.0465 French francs, but was higher in Brussels and Milan at 31.10 Belgian francs against 31.08, and 1,131.75 Italian lire vs. 1,128.20.

Earlier, the perception of a recessionary U.S. economy pushed the dollar down against the yen. It ended at 124.40 yen, down 1.40 from 125.80 yen Wednesday.

The dollar dropped 2.25 yen Wednesday and has fallen more than 35 yen since April. Thursday's close was the lowest since January 1989.

''The main reason for the fall is weakening confidence in the dollar, '' said Soichi Enkyo, senior economist at the Bank of Tokyo.

In Zurich, gold closed higher at $368.50 an ounce against $367.50, but closed unchanged in London at $366.75 an ounce.

Silver closed higher in Zurich at $4.25 an ounce from $4.20, and was higher in London at $4.23 an ounce vs. $4.21.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $370.25 an ounce, up from $367.25 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $370.10 an ounce, ahead from $366.70.

Silver was unchanged in Zurich at $4.20 an ounce, and was also unchanged in London at $4.21 an ounce.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.225 an ounce, unchanged. Comex silver ended at $4.198 an ounce, also unchanged.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Fruit of Loom	632,900	7 5/8	up 3/8
Contl Air Hldgs	419,900	5 1/2	up 5/8
Paine W Grp wtB	391,700	8 1/8	off 5/8
Denmark K wt	275,800	17 1/2	off 1
Amdahl Corp	275,700	11 7/8	up 3/8
Hillhaven Corp	274,500	1 1/2	unch
Rhone Poulenc	260,900	11	off 1/8
Salomon wt93Feb	222,200	17 3/4	off 7/8
BAT Industries	212,900	10 1/2	up 5-16
Eksportfinan wt	206,400	8 3/8	off 3/8

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(OCT. 18) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6000	up 300
Heinz pf	285	off 29 1/2
McKesson pf	96	off 9
Wash Natl pf	29	off 8
Coastal pfB	125	off 7
Ralston Purina	107 3/8	up 6
Detroit Ed pf	161	up 5 3/4
UAL Inc	94 3/4	up 5
Lilly Eli wt	80 1/4	up 5
IBM Corp	105 3/8	up 4 5/8

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	334.03	up	7.25	325.61	470.80
Industrial	358.36	up	10.50	344.84	458.52
Finance	333.68	up	4.38	325.79	545.96
Insurance	383.08	up	3.72	383.58	537.91
Utility	442.37	up	0.03	450.71	761.38
Bank	243.67	up	2.75	245.10	456.52
Transport	370.07	up	8.03	366.67	486.74

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 146.44 up 3.28

Industrial Index 141.85 up 4.30

NASDAQ-100 Index 344.76 up 10.22

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	349.88	210.51	137.62	19.28	298.76
Opening	352.14	212.88	138.06	19.46	300.56
11 a.m.	355.57	215.24	138.50	19.62	303.19
Noon	355.89	215.53	138.57	19.62	303.43
1 p.m.	357.26	217.29	138.82	19.74	304.59
2 p.m.	356.01	215.76	138.45	19.65	303.51
3 p.m.	354.75	215.00	138.14	19.52	302.44
Close	358.86	218.00	138.75	19.83	305.74
Change	up 8.88	up 7.49	up 1.13	up 0.55	up 6.98

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#90291u1676 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (OCT. 18) UPI - After months of lawsuits and personal problems, the heaviest issue Buster Douglas deals with these days is how much he will weigh for his fight Thursday night against Evander Holyfield.

Douglas said that is not as heavy an issue as people think. But it is a constant one as he prepares to defend his heavyweight championship.

Not since Ray Leonard's surgically repaired eye before the Marvin Hagler bout in 1987 has one subject lingered so long before a major fight.

Leonard reacted to questions about his eye by declaring it a ''non- issue.'' Douglas tackles weight questions head on.

''That's basically been the top issue,'' Douglas said Thursday of his weight. ''It's just something people choose to focus on.''

Douglas realizes the importance of the issue. He is expected to handle Holyfield unless he is so fat he cannot stand up for 12 rounds. The champion promises that will not be the case.

''I should be close, if not below, what I was when I fought for the title,'' he said, referring to the 231 1-2 mark he weighed against Mike Tyson last February. ''I'm in the high 230s now.

''The lighter I come in, the better I am. Putting on weight slows you down, it makes you work a little harder during the fight.''

Douglas ballooned to around 260 in the months following the Tyson bout. He blamed distractions for keeping him from the gym. After that fight, he sued Don King, reconciled with his wife Bertha and restructured his management team.

He has worked hard since arriving in Las Vegas six weeks ago but still appears chubby despite sparring from six to 10 rounds a night as part of three-hour workouts. His weight was enough of a concern in recent weeks that Mirage owner Steve Wynn - who has a two-fight contract with Douglas - would drop by to check on his investment.

''Steve Wynn was pulling his hair out three or four weeks ago about the weight '' Douglas's trainer J.D. McCauley said. ''It's been harder this time because we had more to work with.''

Douglas will appear fat on fight night in comparison to the finely sculptured challenger but the champion has the kind of body that will never look like Holyfield's.

''If he got down to 200 pounds, he wouldn't look like that,'' Johnson said of the champion.

There is little chance of him ever getting that low.

''He walks into a restaurant, looks at the menu and puts on five pounds,'' McCauley says.

Douglas's mental condition seems fine. Unlike Tyson, who used to snarl his way through training camps for title fights, Douglas remains loose and keeps his sense of humor. He closed workouts and shut off interviews for two weeks until this week but he had invited reporters to his Columbus, Ohio, home before leaving for Las Vegas and did interviews for his first several weeks at The Mirage.

Tyson, by comparison, usually limited his training camp accessibility to one group session several days before his fight.

''I was just getting back acclimated in the gym,'' Douglas said of the past few weeks. ''It was a matter of being intense day in and day out.

''I came out here early, I just basically wanted to get away. I didn't want no distractions. Time (by myself) was required.

''There were a lot of outside distractions but I think I kind of got a hold on it.''

Tyson took some shots at Douglas this week in a story that appeared in Thursday's New York Post. Tyson called Douglas ''a fluke champion, like a guy who won lotto.'' He also accused Douglas of quitting in a 1987 title fight against Tony Tucker.

''Once a quitter,'' Tyson said, ''Always a quitter.''

''He's being a lot more flamboyant with his mouth than with his hands lately '' Douglas said of Tyson.

Then, noting Holyfield made the same charge about the Tucker fight, Douglas said, ''It seems like they're trying to team up on me. It's like a WWF tag team. I'm getting a big kick out of it.''

Douglas also gets a kick out of reports that Holyfield has a body builder and ballet teacher helping him train up in Reno.

''I felt slighted,'' Douglas said. ''If the challenger has ballet dancers and body builders, I should have them, too. I told my manager to get (Mikhail) Baryshnikov but he was busy.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Assets of the nation's 519 money market mutual funds rose by $3.76 billion to $415.11 billion in the week ended Wednesday, the Investment Company Institute reported Thursday.

The Washington-based institute said broker-dealer fund assets increased $652.8 million to $166.01 billion, assets of general purpose funds increased $625.4 million to $146.78 billion and institutional fund assets rose $2.48 billion to $102.33 billion.

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.44 percent, down from 7.48 the previous week, and 30-day simple yields also were down at 7.46 percent vs. 7.47.

The average maturity of fund portfolios held steady at 45 days.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.86 percent, unchanged; Super-Now accounts, 4.94 percent, down from 4.95; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.47 percent, off from 7.48; 1-year CDs, 7.57 percent, down from 7.58; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.65 percent, down from 7.66; and five-year CDs, unchanged at 7.80 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.25 percent, unchanged from the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage rose in the latest week to 9.80 percent, up from 9.67 percent, while the average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage rose to 10.12 percent from 9.97.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan fell to 12.13 percent from 12.18 percent last week.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	139,291,800
Advances	1,177
Declines	682
Unchanged	2,376
Total	4,235

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	334.11	326.74	334.03	up 7.25
Industrial	358.36	348.94	358.36	up 10.50
Finance	333.75	329.37	333.68	up 4.38
Insurance	383.08	379.36	383.08	up 3.72
Utility	448.12	440.96	442.37	up 0.03
Bank	244.05	239.83	243.67	up 2.75
Transport	370.25	362.57	370.07	up 8.03

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	146.44	up 3.28
Industrial Index	141.85	up 4.30
NASDAQ-100 Index	344.76	up 10.22
(largest non-fin'cl)		
Average price per share	7.57	up 0.14
Volume	109,189,600	shares
Advances	960	
Declines	546	
Unchanged	1,289	
Total	2,795	

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(OCT. 18) UPI - Consumer prices are up again... mostly because of energy price hikes stemming from the Persian Gulf crisis. The Labor Department says the Consumer Price Index rose a sharp eight-tenths of one percent in September. Economists predict another couple of months of the same because of the Mideast crisis.

The rising consumer prices mean greater benefits for Social Security beneficiaries. The government says retirees will receive a five-point- four percent cost-of-living increase in their Social Security checks starting next year. The automatic increases are tied to the Consumer Price Index.

Iraq is offering to sell its oil at the bargain price of 21 dollars a barrel, about half the current level on world markets. It's seen as another effort by Baghdad to crack the economic embargo barring trade with Iraq. A Cairo-based Western diplomat calls the offer ''just an empty gesture.''

More violence in the Israeli-occupied territories. The Israeli army set up an observation post in a Gaza Strip refugee camp today, and residents responded by throwing stones and bottles at the soldiers who set up the post. Palestinian sources say Israeli troops shot and wounded at least 26 Arabs.

Northwest Airlines says it doesn't know how it happened. A company spokesman says a mechanic in Atlanta made a mistake and pumped hand soap into the hydraulic systems of some of its planes a few days ago. Northwest discovered the problem yesterday and has grounded 12 D-C-9's, canceling about 50 flights.

The federal government is giving eight cities 60-Million dollars for drug treatment programs for teen-agers, prisoners, public housing residents and parolees. Assistant Health Secretary James Mason says the goal is to improve delivery of existing drug abuse treatment nation- wide. Congress approved the money last year.

A-B-C News says it will close its bureaus in Chicago, Boston and Dallas, effective December 31st. A spokesman says the closings will affect 12 people, who will either be reassigned or fired. A-B-C News had expected to earn 75-Million dollars this year but reportedly is projecting a smaller profit.

A survey says the majority of Americans want information about vehicle bumpers posted on window stickers in dealer showrooms. Seven out of 10 people polled said vehicle bumpers should be stronger than the minimum standard now required under current federal law.

A homeless man in Houston found himself a home... in a closet at the offices of the city housing authority. Authorities say the man spent at least five nights in the utility closet. He was seen in the coffee lounge... and once asked where he could apply for a job. Police were called to remove the man from the closet, which is filled with circuit breakers and wiring.

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#90291u1734 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - The Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Thursday it will charge against its reserves losses of $124 million from its mortgage portfolio during the third quarter.

Leland Brendsel, Freddie Mac's chairman and chief executive officer, said existing loan loss reserves totalled $552 million at the end of June and are adequate to absorb the third-quarter chargeoffs.

He said the quarter's earnings, which will be released later this month, will not be affected.

Multifamily mortgage purchases represent 2.2 percent of Freddie Mac's total mortgage purchases this year and make up 3.4 percent of the quasi- public federally-chartered company's total $322 billion single- and multifamily-mortgage portfolios.

Freddie Mac said $81 million of the charge stems from losses in its

multifamily mortgage portfolio, while the remaining $43 million is due to losses on its single-family portfolio.

The company said most the increase in multifamily losses resulted from a recently complted re-evaluation of its multifamily real estate- owned portfolio prompted by declining market conditions.

''Real estate values in certain of our multifamily markets continue to worsen. We are continuously assessing the impact of these market conditions on the corporation,'' Brendsel said.

He said the majority of Freddie Mac's exposure is concentrated in New York and Atlanta, which have both experienced deteriorating real estate markets.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - The American Stock Exchange has secured the exclusive right to use in the United States the European Community's new stock index, the Euro Top-100 Index or E100, officials said Thursday.

The E100 index, developed by the European Options Exchange or EOE, is composed of the 100 most highly-capitalized stocks in nine European countries - seven European Community members, plus Switzerland and Sweden.

''The E100 will be to Europe what the Nikkei-225 is to Japan,'' a spokeswoman for the venture said.

Under the agreement, the Amex has the exclusive right to use the E100 Index in the United States as the basis for trading options and warrants. The agreement does not include futures.

It was not immediately known when U.S. trading in options of the new European index will actually start. The agreement is still pending approval by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the spokeswoman said.

''The E100 measures the collective performance of leading stocks on the major European stock exchanges in Belgium, Britain, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland,'' the Amex said.

The E100 index includes stocks from huge European companies such as Britain's B.A.T and British Aerospace, Nestle and Ciba-Geigy in Switzerland, LVMH, Peugeot and Saint-Gobain in France, or Fiat in Italy and Ericsson in Sweden.

Countries represented in the E100 Index are weighted according to their market capitalization which must be more than 50 billion ECUs - the currency denomination for the European Community.

Stocks are included in the E100 according to their countries' representative share inside the EC, with Britain, Germany and France controlling more than 50 percent of the index.

The Amex already has one agreement with the EOE which began trading options in the Amex's Major Market Index or XMI in Europe three years ago. That agreement was the first international options trading between the United States and foreign exchanges.

''With this new agreement, we will be forging even stronger alliances with the markets of Western Europe and broadening investment opportunities between the United States and an economically united European Community,'' said James Jones, chairman of the Amex.

The Amex also said it had agreed with Societe des Bourses Francaises to trade in France XMI warrants and trade in the United States warrants of France's key CAC-40 Index, the broad indicator of leading French stocks.

The exchange pointed out that Japan's Nikkei put and call warrants have been very popular with investors, and accounted for a significant share of Amex trading volume this year.

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 18) UPI - Jordan continues to import oil from Iraq, but is otherwise doing its best to comply with the U.N. embargo on Iraq despite severe economic losses, a U.N. mission reported Thursday.

Non-oil trade between the two countries has stopped, said Jean Ripert, a French diplomat who led the recent mission to Jordan. Ripert said Jordan consequently faces losses equal up to about 35 percent of the size of its economy and he called on members of the United Nations to help Jordan.

Ripert said Jordan had no alternative but to continue importing oil from Iraq, and that about 40,000 barrels a day are arriving by truck. Saudi Arabia has cut off supplies because it is not happy with Jordan's fence-straddling position on the Persian Gulf crisis, and Jordan's only port, Aqaba, is not equipped to receive large oil imports.

Iraq and Kuwait have worked out a deal whereby Iraq deducts the cost of the oil from debts incurred to Jordan during the Iran-Iraq war. The write-offs are calculated at the pre-crisis price of $16 a barrel, which is very favorable to Jordan.

The price of oil has shot up to just under $40 a barrel because of shortages caused by the embargo on trade with Iraq and Kuwait, and because of fears of a war in the Middle East. The U.N. embargo was triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2

invasion of Kuwait, and several countries, led by the United States, have sent armed forces to defend Saudi Arabia.

Ripert said some non-oil trade continues between the countries because of smugglers, but that Jordanian customs officials are controlling the main road from Amman to Baghdad to prevent any violation of the embargo.

There have been news reports of continued truck traffic on the road, but Ripert said he was satisfied with Jordanian explanations that the trucks were leaving Amman empty and were heading to the border to pick up the furniture of refugees fleeing Iraq and Kuwait. About 120,000 Jordanians who were living in the gulf countries have returned home, Ripert said.

He said Jordanian officials were sealing the trucks as they left Amman. ''This has been checked,'' he said, adding that ''the authorities in Jordan are doing their best.''

The U.N. trade embargo will cost Jordan more than $1 billion before the end of this year, Ripert said, and could cost $3 billion to $4 billion next year. Calculating the size of Jordan's economy is difficult because of a recent 40-percent drop in the value of its currency, U.N. officials said. But Ripert said the embargo could contract its economy by 35 percent next year.

Ripert said that already Aqaba stands idle, the country's tourist attactions are empty, and many farmers are not planting because they have lost one of their major clients. Jordan's unemployment rate of 20 percent could double, he said.

''The impact is dramatic,'' he said, adding that if the Jordanians ''do their part, the international community should do theirs'' and meet these losses.

Meanwhile, the Palestine Liberation Organization mission to the United Nations has estimated that the crisis could cause losses of $750 million a year for Palestinians living in the Israeli-occupied West Bank of the Jordan river.

The estimates, detailed in a letter to the U.N. secretary-general, include only direct losses resulting from a cut-off in remittances, aid and exports. The total impact of the crisis could be much heavier because of the cost of resettling Palestinians returning from the gulf, and because of its effect on the already fragile economies of Jordan and the West Bank.

About 650,000 Palestinians worked in the gulf countries prior to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and sent $808 million home to the occupied territories in 1987, the report said. Those remittances are expected to fall by about $567 million a year if the crisis continues.

In addition, trade between the West Bank and Jordan had dwindled, and aid from Kuwait to the Palestinians on the West Bank, which ran at about $70 million a

year, has stopped, the report said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	20	13	8
New lows	144	255	375

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	1,118	155,920,300
Declines	452	30,854,100
Unchanged	407	17,345,600
Total	1,977	204,120,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Stocks rallied in heavy trading Thursday, shrugging off a late rebound in oil prices tied to news of unrest in the Gaza Strip and extending their gains into the close.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 6.68 Wednesday, rang up its second-biggest gain of the year, surging 64.85 to close at 2452.72. The largest jump of 1990 came Aug. 27, when the Dow soared 78 points.

The blue chip average was first up more than 50 points in early afternoon trading, triggering the exchange's rule curbing program buying.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index jumped 3.46 to 167.05. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 6.98 to 305.74. The price of an average share surged 60 cents.

Advances thumped declines, 1,119 to 441, among the 1,978 issues crossing the Big Board tape. Volume totaled 204,120,000 shares, up from 161,260,000 shares traded Wednesday.

Analysts called the rally psychological rather than based on any one piece of news.

''I just think it was that the 3 or 4 major variables in the market - the budget, the Mideast, earnings - haven't gotten any worse. I'd call it a psychological rally,'' said Jeff Kaminsky, head of institutional sales trading at Mabon, Nugent & Co.

Indeed, one of those variables, the Mideast, got stocks off to a strong start

Thursday. Oil prices plunged more than $2 a barrel after Iraq offered to sell its oil at lower prices to any takers. Traders also saw significance in the offer in that it referred by implication to the end of the crisis.

But oil wiped out its losses in afternoon trading on news that Israeli soldiers shot and wounded at least 26 Arabs who attacked a newly established army observation post in a Gaza Strip refugee camp, Palestinian sources said.

In late trading, prices closed up 8 cents at $36.80 a barrel after trading as low as $34.40 a barrel.

But Kaminsky said the stock market focused on the suggestion that there might be a peaceful resolution in the Persian Gulf, and actually extended its gains into the close.

''There also appears to have been some progress on the budget, that was positive,'' he said.

The Senate moved toward a final vote later Thursday on the huge deficit reduction bill as the expiration at midnight Friday of an earlier temporary funding bill to keep the government running approached.

However, the White House has indicated that Bush may approve another short-term funding bill if it has some spending cuts in it to lower the deficit, and if Congress is near completion of the deficit bill.

Lower interest rates in the bond market also bolstered stocks, Kaminsky said. The long bond was up 26/32 in afternoon trading with its yield down to 8.81 percent.

''There's a ton of cash on the sidelines, it needs a place to go, and it appears stocks have found some fans,'' he said. ''All the bad news we've been waiting for has not yet come to pass. It may still, but it hasn't yet. People have spent so much time waiting for the other shoe to fall that they finally said 'things look cheap' and bought.''

On the trading floor, Citicorp was the most active issue, up 3/8 to 13 1/8, rebounding from the 52-week low it set Wednesday.

Philip Morris followed, up 1 7/8 to 46 7/8. Puget Sound Power & Light was third, up 3/8 to 20 5/8.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T added 1 1/8 to 32 after reporting flat quarterly earnings. Analysts, however, were encouraged by the results in the context of a faltering economy and the sharp rise in oil prices during the quarter. IBM rallied 4 5/8 to 105 3/8, General Electric surged 1 7/8 to 54 1/2 Coca-Cola climbed 1 3/4 to 43 3/8, Merck jumped 1 3/4 to 80 1/8 and Woolworth surged 1 7/8 to 26.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 243,283,960 shares, compared with 199,591,530 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices gained in active trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index rose 2.71 to close at 291.84. Advances led declines, 315 to 232, among the 776 issues traded. The price of an average share rose 8 cents. Composite volume totaled 14,279,700 shares, vs. 11,987,510 traded Wednesday.

Fruit of the Loom led the Amex issues, up 3/8 to 7 5/8 after reporting higher third-quarter earnings.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index soared 7.25 to 334.03.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.59	7.69	8.71
91-day Treasury bills	7.49	7.43	7.58
182-day Treasury bills	7.58	7.59	7.67
1-year Treasury bills	7.59	7.61	7.38
3-year Treasury notes	8.04	8.09	7.94
7-year Treasury notes	8.55	8.62	7.96
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.83	8.89	7.97
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.22	9.30	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.92	9.98	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.31	9.31	9.01
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.53	9.55	9.02
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.59	9.58	9.19
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.57	9.56	9.17

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	167.05	164.47	167.05	up 3.46
Industrial	206.97	203.26	206.97	up 4.82
Transport	133.07	130.08	133.07	up 4.37
Utility	87.65	87.17	87.54	up 0.64
Finance	106.71	105.20	106.71	up 2.21

Equivalent to a gain of 60 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 204,120,000 shares.

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#90291u1803 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 18) UPI - Crude oil prices rebounded late Thursday on news of an Israeli shooting of Palestinians after falling more than $2 a barrel when an Iraqi offer to sell oil at lower prices added to the market's downward bias.

The U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery ended the day up 8 cents over Wednesday's close to $36.80 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange after trading as low as $34.40 a barrel.

Analysts had been looking for WTI to drop soon to around $34 a barrel, the Oct. 2 low price of recent weeks, once selling drove prices through the Merc's key $37.15 support level late Wednesday.

The Iraqi offer to sell oil at $21 a barrel and place the revenue in a special account until after settlement of the Persian Gulf crisis reinforced the market's downward momentum of recent days.

The market had already started to drift above $35 a barrel when the story of the shooting hit around 1:30 p.m. EDT and drove bidding upward, said Tom Bentz director of trading at New York's United Energy Inc.

The stock market, however, stayed focused on the early drop in oil prices and shrugged off the shooting incident. Stocks rallied on the New York Stock Exchange where the Dow Industrials average of blue-chip stocks ended the day up 64.85 points to 2452.72, a 2.72 percent rise.

''In effect, we had two trading sessions today,'' said Peter Beutel of the Pegasus Econometrics Group in Hoboken, N.J. Oil traders abandoned ''short''

positions placed in anticipation of prices going lower.

''The second, upward session was triggered by the Israeli-Palestinian clash and the short covering that accompanied it,'' Beutel said.

''It was a fun day of whipsawing,'' said Ed Kevelson of Dean Witter Reynolds' International Energy Futures Group in New York.

Israeli soldiers shot and wounded at least 26 Arabs who attacked a newly established army observation post in a Gaza Strip refugee camp, Palestinian sources said.

Hundreds of residents in the camp threw stones and bottles at the soldiers who had just set up the post on the roof of a three-story building, the sources said. Some reports placed the number of those hurt as high as 65.

Israeli-Palestinian clashes in the Gaza are standard fare, but today's clash took ''on added meaning because people believe it has given Iraqi President Saddam Hussein an excuse for an Iraqi retaliation.''

''It raised fears of an Israeli dimension to the crisis,'' Beutel said.

Such fears have been heightened since Israeli police killed 21 Arabs in Jerusalem Oct. 8 for throwing rocks at Israeli worshippers at a disputed religious site.

When news of the shooting hit, the market may have already been in a mood to rebound after dropping more than $5 a barrel since setting the Merc's all-time closing high of $40.42 a barrel a week ago.

Bentz warned that traders ''have to careful down here at these (earlier $34) prices with buying starting to look attractive again and people looking for bargains.''

Traders still look for prices eventually to move downward if the Middle East situation stays quiet for awhile. ''If it stays quiet over there, the market would like to go lower - as low as $32 a barrel,'' Beutel said.

Oil markets have been in a downward price bias since weekend reports that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was in ''a conciliatory mood'' and was willing to talk about a partial withdrawal from occupied Kuwait.

On the Merc, home heating oil for November delivery lost 1.74 cents on the day from Wednesday's close to 96.51 cents a gallon, while November unleaded gasoline was down 0.44 cent to 92.96 cents a gallon.

Prices ended mixed on the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was quoted at $35.60 a barrel, down $1.05 from Wednesday.

United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - gained 25 cents over Wednesday to $32.75 a barrel after being down $1.95.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt delivery WTI crude edged up 5 cents to $36.75 a barrel.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - The cost of a first-class stamp, already expected to jump a nickel early next year, could rise another 2 cents by 1995 as a result of congressional deficit reduction plans, the U.S. Postal Service said Thursday.

The Postal Service, the quasi-governmental agency that handles U.S. mail, would be forced to save $5.8 billion over the next five years in the $500 billion deficit trimming package passed Tuesday by the House. That bill carried instructions that consumers supply the missing revenue.

The budget plan being debated in the Senate would require that the Postal Service save about $4.8 billion over five years.

The Postal Rate Commission is currently considering the Postal Service's March request for a price increase for first-class stamps from 25 cents to 30 cents, with a recommendation due before the Postal Service's board of governors in January.

The 30-cent first class stamp could be in use by about Feb. 1 if the increase is approved, as expected.

Postal Service spokesman Bob Hoobing said the congressional deficit packages ''could mean as much as two additional cents on a first-class stamp by 1995. As far as any definitive statement, we would have to wait until all the figures (in the congressional deficit reduction plans) are finalized.''

Other postal rates would also rise proportionally, he said.

Hoobing said he did not know when the Postal Service would request any rate increase spurred by the deficit plans.

The congressional plans would shift responsibility for a number of health care and retirement costs from general federal revenues to the Postal Service.

The possible stamp price increase is among several measures in the House and Senate deficit reduction bills that would raise consumer costs. Excise taxes in both the House and Senate versions would push up prices on cigarettes, alcoholic beverages and luxury items such as furs, cars and boats; the Senate version also includes a 9.5 cent a gallon gasoline tax increase.

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SACRAMENTO (OCT. 19) UPI - California's homebuilding slump deepened in August to a seven-year low, as requests for residential building permits dropped 4.6 percent in one month, a statewide builders group said Thursday.

During the first eight months of the year, homebuilders have pulled permits for 127,370 units, down more than 21 percent from the 161,628 permits drawn during the same period last year.

The slide prompted industry analysts to cut their housing production estimates for 1990 and 1991. The Construction Industry Research Board now projects 176,000 housing units will be built in California this year and 168,000 units will be constructed next year. The Burbank group initially estimated more than 200,000 new housing units would be built both years.

The downturn in construction is centered in Los Angeles and Riverside counties which account for nearly half of the statewide decline in building permit requests this year, said Robert Rivinius, executive officer of the California Building Industry Association.

Rivinius blamed the homebuilding slump on higher interest rates, the crisis in the Middle East, consumer fears of a recession and a stubbornly sluggish market for used homes.

''The Mideast situation must be solved, along with a decline in interest rates to allow the economy to grow and stimulate increased sales and purchases in the overall marketplace,'' Rivinius said.

''Many builders are re-evaluating and redesigning their product line in an effort to make housing affordable to more of the home-buying public,'' he said.

Residential building permits issued in August indicated an annual rate of 144,900 - the lowest annual rate for any month since the March 1983 total of 106,400 housing units. Activity in August included permits issued for 91,400 single-family units and 53,500 multi-family units.

The August annual rate total was 32.6 percent below the August 1989 mark of 214,900 housing units and 4.6 percent under the July total of 151,900.

Some areas of the state are experiencing increased production activity this

year. The Yuba City area posted a 133 percent jump in the number of building permits pulled during the first eight months of the year; Bakersfield, 29 percent; Redding, 59 percent; the Visalia-Tulare- Porterville area, 9 percent; Sacramento, 6 percent; and the Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc area, 5 percent.

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WINDSOR, Ontario (OCT. 18) UPI - Kelsey-Hayes Canada said Thursday it will close its steel wheel manufacturing plant by Nov. 2, cutting 450 jobs.

The company said the plant was being closed because of ''grave operational problems and mounting losses due to significant over- capacity in the steel wheels manufacturing industry.''

Kelsey-Hayes Canada said it authorized the sale of all its production machinery and equipment at the plant and outstanding customer purchase orders to Kelsey-Hayes Company of Romulus, Mich..

Kelsey-Hayes Canada also said it would seek to sell the remaining assets of its Windsor division.

Kelsey-Hayes Canada will continue to operate its divisions in Woodstock and St. Catharines, both in Ontario, which manufacture brake components.

Kelsey-Hayes Co. was purchased last November by Varity Corp. of Toronto.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austral	.000186	.000184	5380.00	5429.00
Australia dlr	.7700	.7754	1.2987	1.2897
Austria schill	.0942	.0943	10.62	10.61
Belgium franc-c	.0317	.0321	31.55	31.11
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0110	.0111	91.18	90.31
Britain pound	1.9705	1.9608	.5075	.5100
Britain 1-mo	1.9605	1.9511	.5101	.5125
Britain 3-mo	1.9438	1.9333	.5145	.5173
Britain 6-mo	1.9211	1.9118	.5205	.5231

Canada dollar	.8551	.8587	1.1695	1.1645
Canada 1-mo	.8520	.8557	1.1737	1.1687
Canada 3-mo	.8462	.8501	1.1818	1.1764
Canada 6-mo	.8388	.8427	1.1922	1.1867
Chile peso-f	.003431	.003423	291.50	292.15
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001910	.001913	523.58	522.84
Denmark krne	.1733	.1738	5.7690	5.7535
Ecudr sucre-z	.001204	.001204	830.70	830.70
Egypt pound	.3706	.3686	2.6983	2.7130
Finlnd mrkka	.2795	.2800	3.5780	3.5710
France franc	.1993	.1972	5.0170	5.0705
France 1-mo	.1990	.1968	5.0240	5.0815
France 3-mo	.1985	.1964	5.0385	5.0927
France 6-mo	.1975	.1955	5.0630	5.1160
Greece drach	.006658	.006656	150.20	150.25
Hollnd guildr	.5927	.5865	1.6871	1.7050
HongKong dlr	.1286	.1287	7.7760	7.7728
India rupee	.0558	.0559	17.91	17.89
Indo'sa rupia	.000541	.000541	1848.00	1848.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7730	1.7710	0.5640	0.5647
Israel shekel	.5089	.5066	1.9650	1.9740
Italy lira	.000891	.000883	1122.25	1133.00
Japan yen	.008034	.007973	124.47	125.42
Japan 1-mo	.008060	.008005	124.07	124.92
Japan 3-mo	.008053	.008019	124.17	124.70
Japan 6-mo	.008047	.007986	124.27	125.22
Jordan dinar	1.5699	1.5699	.6370	.6370
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000346	.000346	2892.00	2892.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6018	.5945	1.6617	1.6821
Norway krne	.1705	.1709	5.8650	5.8500
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.54	21.54
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	433,400	433,400
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007573	.007559	132.04	132.29
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5853	.5831	1.7085	1.7150
S.Africa rand	.3965	.3967	2.5221	2.5211
S.Korea won	.001412	.001412	708.35	708.35
Spain peseta	.010563	.010560	94.67	94.70
Sweden krona	.1786	.1783	5.6000	5.6100
Switzrl franc	.7855	.7874	1.2730	1.2700
Switzrl 1-mo	.7852	.7870	1.2735	1.2706
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7852	.7870	1.2736	1.2707

Switzrl 6-mo	.7855	.7874	1.2731	1.2700
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.79	26.79
Turkey lira	.000370	.000369	2703.00	2709.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000774	.000774	1291.49	1291.49
Venez bolivr-z	.0207	.0207	48.38	48.27
W.Ger Mark	.6678	.6625	1.4975	1.5095
W.Ger 1-mo	.6677	.6624	1.4977	1.5097
W.Ger 3-mo	.6672	.6619	1.4989	1.5108
W.Ger 6-mo	.6659	.6606	1.5018	1.5138
Yugosl dinar	.0967	.0967	10.34	10.34

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday that the basic U.S. money supply, known as M1, fell $6.9 billion in the latest reporting week. The broader monetary aggregate M2 increased by $3.3 billion, and the broadest measure of all, M3, increased by $6.3 billion.

M1, including cash, checking accounts and NOW accounts - money available for immediate spending - slipped to a seasonally adjusted average of $821.9 billion in the week ended Oct. 8, from a revised $828.8 billion the week before.

Over the past 13 weeks, M1 averaged $816.9 billion, up 4.5 percent from where it stood over the previous 13-week period, the central bank said.

The more broadly defined M2 averaged an estimated $3,325.5 billion in the latest week, up from a revised $3,322.2 billion. M2 includes M1 plus passbook savings, small time deposits such as money market deposit accounts, consumer money market mutual funds and other short-term assets.

M3, defined as M2 plus large time deposits, securities repurchase agreements longer than one day at banks and thrifts, and institutional money market funds averaged $4,092.0 billion in the latest week, ahead from a revised $4,085.7 billion, the Fed said.

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#90291u1887 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 18) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 421.67, up 2.22 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90291u1891 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (OCT. 18) UPI - A federal judge cut businessman Charles H. Keating Jr.'s $5 million bail to $300,000 Thursday, ruling that a lower court had acted ''arbitrarily'' in setting the high bail.

Keating has been in jail since he was indicted last month on state securities fraud charges.

In his order, U.S. District Judge John G. Davies said, ''What the trial court did is rationally unsupportable. It seems to me that the trial court acted arbitrarily.''

The decision came after a hearing at which prosecutors were asked to explain why Keating should have remained jailed on the $5 million bail. They argued he is a flight risk.

Keating won his bail reduction after going through the state appellate system. A state Court of Appeals panel had refused to lower the bail and the state Supreme Court refused to hear the case.

Keating, 66, is the former chairman of American Continental Corp. of Phoenix, Ariz., which owned Lincoln Savings and Loan in Irvine, Calif. The company filed for bankruptcy in April 1989, and regulators seized Lincoln the next day.

The company sold nearly $200 million in debt securities through Lincoln's 29 Southern California branches, and the small investors who bought the bonds say they were misled into believing that the bonds were safe and insured.

A 42-count indictment accuses Keating and three others of providing investors with false and misleading information and violating other state laws in selling the bonds.

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#90291u1896 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT 18) UPI - Heavy snow and howling winds whipped up near-blizzard conditions in Michigan's Upper Peninsula Thursday and thunderstorms along the East Coast spawned a tornado that tore through downtown Remington, Va., ripping roofs off stores, but causing no injuries.

The National Weather Service posted a heavy snow warning for much of the Upper Peninsula with as much as a foot of snow forecast in northwest sections. About

8 inches of snow fell by midday at Calumet where strong winds pushed wind chills to zero and created near-blizzard conditions.

Snow also fell over other Great Lakes states and the Cascade Mountains of Oregon and Washington. Chicago recorded its first snow of the season, but it was very light and melted quickly.

Store roofs and broken glass littered Main Street in Remington, where thetornado hit at about 1:40 p.m.

''We were lucky,'' Councilman Leo McCarthy said. ''I think we got off real lucky. Nobody got hurt, nobody got killed. Most of the roofs are laying in Main Street,'' he said. ''They're clearing it out now.''

Leilani Triplett said she watched as the twister churned past the Remington Video store where she worked.

''You should have seen it. It was awful. Everything went flying,'' Triplett said.

''It was loud. I was saying, 'Look at the wind,' and then it really picked up and then there were all these black bags twirling round. I heard things crash and the next thing I knew the Remington Video sign was flying down the street. It looked like Mary Poppins.''

Triplett said when the wind ''started getting really strong'' she backed into a corner because she was afraid the glass might shatter.

A tornado watch was posted until 9 pm for parts of Virgnina, Maryland, New Jersey and Washington, D.C.

The winter-like storm that hit Michigan pounded Minnesota Wednesday, dumping as much as a foot of snow and dropping wind chills to near zero.

The storm also brought winds gusting to 60 mph that downed power and telephone lines in parts of the Midwest Wednesday. A boater on Lake Michigan in Chicago was missing after his 35-foot power boat was capsized by 50-mph winds and 4-foot waves.

Advisories for frost and freezing temperatures Thursday night were in effect for Illinois, Indiana, north central Kentucky, western Ohio and northern Arkansas.

A flood watch was posted for east central and southeast New York State. The ground was soaked by rain of last week and additional heavy rain was expected to push rivers and streams out of their banks.

Rainshowers and thunderstorms stretched across parts of New York, Pennsylvania

West Virginia, Maryland, Virginia, the Carolinas, Georgia and northern Florida. Showers also were scattered over parts of Indiana, lower Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin.

Warm weather continued across the South. A reading of 89 degrees tied a record for the day in Daytona Beach, Fla.

Tampa, Fla., Wednesday, endured its 137th day of temperatures in excess of 90 degrees. The seemingly endless summer toppled the previous record set in 1975, when 133 days had temperatures of 90 or above.

The summer heat and drought, coupled with development, also has taken its toll on nature, said Richard Paul, manager of the National Audubon Society's Tampa Bay Sanctuaries program.

''We've had some dismally dry conditions these last few springs, and I think it's been reflected in the ibis breeding population,'' he said.

The white ibis has had a tough go at finding small fish, invertebrates on which to feed.

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#90291u1909 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - President Bush reversed himself again Thursday and lifted a threat to shut down the government unless Congress placed a new budget on his desk by 12:01 a.m. Saturday.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters Bush would be willing to sign another stop-gap funding measure provided the House and Senate were near agreement on an acceptable spending package.

Fitzwater said once House and Senate negotiators sit down to work out a compromise on their respective budgets, the president would extend government funding for at least another few days to allow the deal to be sealed.

Shortly after Fitzwater's announcement, the House passed a ''continuing resolution'' to keep the government operating until next Wednesday, Oct. 24, and sent it to the Senate, which was debating its own budget plan.

''We believe that the conference committee (Friday) night can do its business and we can get a budget,'' Fitzwater said as negotiations on Capitol Hill struggled for a solution.

''On that basis, the president agreed to sign a continuing resolution if satisfactory progress has been made in conference with significant savings comparable to the amount for the first year, or $40 billion,'' Fitzwater said.

Bush has voiced support for the Senate bill, which mirrored a bipartisan plan rejected by the House earlier this month. He has vowed to veto the new House version, which would raise the income tax rates of the wealthiest Americans as well as the taxes on middle-income citizens.

The president, under prodding by Congress, signed a stop-gap measure on Oct. 8 ending a three-day government shutdown. But he vowed not to sign another such bill.

''If by Oct. 19 the Congress has failed to pass a budget ... I will again have to withhold my signature from any continuing resolution,'' the president said.

Members of Congress, maintaining they were making progress on a new budget, have insisted nothing would be gained by closing the government again and urged Bush to relent.

Fitzwater said the president is now willing to sign a ''short-term agreement covering two or three days'' to allow the Congress to finish work.

''If you've got a budget agreement, there is no reason to shut down the government,'' Fitzwater said.

The budget debacle has become a political nightmare for the president. This summer, in an effort to reach an agreement on a new deficit-cutting plan, he dropped his ''no new taxes pledge.''

And last week, the president initially told a news conference that he would be willing to negotiate an increase in the tax rate for the rich, provided there was a reduction in the capital gains taxes.

But he later dropped such a possible deal as unachievable.

Earlier Thursday, Bush lashed out at those who have accused him of siding with the rich and scoffed at provisions in the House bill that would alter the tax indexing program, used to adjust tax rates for inflation.

''I'm not going to let the politicians who speak so passionately about 'soaking the rich' to get away with killing the indexing, the very indexing which preserves incentives and protects the family budget,'' Bush said.

''So, I will hold everyone's feet to the fire and make them up there, to the best of my ability, do the right thing,'' the president said. ''I'm going to fight the taxers and the spenders because it is right.''

He said, ''The opposition is trying to say (I'm) favoring the rich and I'm saying I'm favoring jobs, incentive, investment.''

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#90291u1912 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
BOSTON (OCT. 19) UPI - The Gillette Co., riding the dazzling success of its new Sensor razor in the U.S. and overseas, reported a 41 percent increase in earnings in the latest quarter from a year earlier.

Profits were $92.2 million or 80 cents a share in the third quarter ended Sept. 30, compared with $65.2 million or 57 cents a share in the same period last year.

The increase in per-share earnings was 40 percent because the company had more shares outstanding this year than last.

Gillette said sales and profits in North America and Europe ''contributed significantly'' to the performance.

The giant shaving and personal care products company is still operating two plants in Boston and Berlin, Germany, 24 hours a day, six days a week to keep pace with demand for the Sensor that is 30 percent greater than had been anticipated, said spokesman David A. Fausch.

Gillette's chairman and chief executive officer, Colman M. Mockler Jr., said more than 21 million Sensor razors were shipped in the nine months since they were introduced in January. That's more than the company had expected for the entire year, Mockler said.

Sales for the quarter climbed 11.3 percent to $1.03 billion from $922 million a year earlier.

Wall Streeet, already aware of the Sensor's success, was still pleased with Gillette's results. Gillette stock shot up $3.75 a share on the news to $59.75 in New York Stock Exchange trading.

For the year thus far, Gillette reported earnings of $261.3 million, up 27 percent from $205.3 million for the first three quarters last year. Earnings per share climbed 11 percent to $2.25 from $2.02 in the first nine months of 1989.

Sales for the first three quarters climbed 12 percent to $3.1 billion from $2.77 billion in the equivalent period a year before.

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#90291u1937 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
MIAMI (OCT. 18) UPI - Nana was upgraded from a tropical storm to a hurricane Thursday with winds near 75 mph, but a turn to the northwest left it moving parallel to the U.S. coastline in the general direction of Bermuda.

At 6 p.m. EDT, Nana was centered near latitude 26.9 north, longitude 65.5 west or about 380 miles south of Bermuda, the National Hurricane Center said. It was moving northwest at near 13 mph, and forecasters predicted it would turn toward the north over the next day.

''Nana is now a hurricane with maximum sustained winds near 75 mph,'' said forecaster Bob Case. ''Some increase in strength is possible during the next 24 hours.''

Computer models at the hurricane center indicated that there was a 23 percent chance that Nana's center would pass within 65 miles of Bermuda by 2 p.m. Sunday.

Hurricane-force winds extended as far as 25 miles from the center, and tropical force winds extended as far as 85 miles.

Nana became the 14th named storm of the 1990 Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season Wednesday.

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#90291u1977 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

TAIPEI, Taiwan (OCT. 19) UPI - A subsidiary of U.S. computer maker Atari Corp. has been indicted in Taiwan for allegedly using pirated copies of common software programs, a coalition of U.S. software companies said Thursday.

A criminal indictment for copyright infringement was handed down against Atari Taiwan Manufacturing Corp. and two employees earlier this month, the Business Software Alliance said.

The indictment followed a court-ordered search of the company in April that turned up several suspected unauthorized copies of Ashton Tate's dBase III Plus software and Lotus Development Corp.'s Lotus 1-2-3 spreadsheet program, the BSA said.

Atari said the unauthorized programs were used by two employees without the company's knowledge and against its policy. The company accused the BSA of blowing the case, which involved less than a dozen pirate copies, far out of proportion.

''Being a computer company, we are very sensitive to the software community,'' said August Liguori, vice president of finance. ''We fight this kind of (piracy) all the time. It would be foolish for us to cheat our own peers over a few hundred dollars.''

The case is part of a high-profile campaign by the BSA, a watchdog coalition of U.S. software developers, to crack down on software pirates who illegally copy programs for sale or for their own use. Software piracy, which is

particularly bad overseas, has been estimated to cost developers $16 billion a year in lost revenue, according to Brian McEachron, vice president of the Business Software Alliance.

''That certainly was disturbing to us, that someone in the information industry apparently was not taking the care they ought to,'' McEachron said.

In addition to Atari Taiwan, the indictment named Kuo Mao Hsing, chief of Atari Taiwan's computer center, and Chen Jian Chung, an employee in the quality control department. Infringing copies of the software programs were found on Hsing's personal computer, and Chung admitted to bringing an unauthorized copy of the Lotus program to work, the BSA said.

The charges are punishable by up to three years of jail time, and fines of about $600,000, McEachron said.

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#90291u2004 10/18/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 18) UPI - Israel agreed Thursday to cooperate with the U.N. secretary-general in preparing a report on the death of 21 Palestinians during the shootings last week on Jerusalem's Temple Mount.

The proposal indicated a softening of Israel's opposition to a U.N. investigation on the Oct. 8 incidents at the Temple Mount, but stopped short of fully receiving a U.N. mission to Israel.

Israel's deputy U.N. permanent representative, Johanan Bein, told reporters he conveyed ''some messages'' from his government to Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar in answer to his demand that Israel receive a U.N. mission to investigate the death of the Palestinians.

''We agreed that we will cooperate to try to find ways and means to facilitate the secretary-general to write his report and present it'' to the 15-nation council, Bein said.

Bein refused to say how Israel will assist Perez de Cuellar and whether it will receive the mission.

Perez de Cuellar had asked Israel to receive the mission, but the Israeli government rejected the demand. Israel strongly protested the Security Council resolution that condemned the deaths and ordered the inquiry.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - In the latest of a series of daring operations, California surgeons saved the life of one of two fetuses with a deformed lung

by performing surgery in the womb, it was reported Thursday.

Although doctors previously performed successful operations on fetuses for other ailments, the new cases are the first in which surgery was done for a condition called congenital cystic adenomatoid malformation or CCAM, the researchers said.

''Open fetal surgery has been successful in treatment of otherwise fatal anatomical abnormalities, and we now add appropriately selected cases of CCAM to those congenital lesions that are amenable to fetal surgical therapy,'' the University of California San Francisco surgeons wrote in the British medical journal The Lancet.

CCAM is a rare disorder in which damaging cysts grow in part of the lungs of developing fetuses. In mild cases, babies can undergo surgery after they are born to have the malformed lung section removed. In severe cases, however, the malformation can kill the developing fetus and endanger the life of the mother.

In the successful case, a 25-year-old pregnant woman was discovered to be carrying a female fetus stricken with CCAM and agreed to undergo the surgery in the 23rd week of the baby's development last spring.

The 72-minute procedure involved making an incision in the mother's uterus and pulling the left arm and chest of the fetus was out through the opening. Surgeons then cut open the chest of the fetus, surgically removed the malformed lung lobe, put the fetus back in the womb and closed the incision.

The baby was delivered through Caesarean section seven weeks later and was doing well five months later, the doctors reported.

A similar procedure was earlier attempted on a fetus 27 weeks into development being carried by a 24-year-old women, the doctors reported. But the child died about a week later after the mother's condition deteriorated and the child had to be delivered by Caesarean.

Dr. Michael Harrison, a professor of surgery who led the team, attributed the failure in that case to the fetus being sicker by the time the case was diagnosed.

The same team previously has successfully performed similar surgery to save the lives of fetuses stricken with a blocked urinary tract and a condition known as congenital diaphragmatic hernias.

But Harrison cautioned in a telephone interview that such procedures are far routine and are only performed when there are no alternatives.

''We're still very early in our experience. We're still feeling our way along.I don't think people should think this is routine,'' he said.

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ANCHORAGE, AK (OCT. 18) UPI - Searchers scanning the arctic ice for a missing federal wildlife research team have spotted polar bears on the ice but no sign of the men on a mission to track the animals, the Coast Guard said Thursday, one week after the search began.

''The searchers can see polar bears and walruses on the ice, but just no sign of (the missing biologists) at all,'' Coast Guard spokesman Ed Moreth said from Juneau. ''And you know that if they can see polar bears from the air, the weather must be good.''

But good searching weather has not been enough to turn up even a single clue to the disappearance of the researchers' twin-engine plane, which vanished over the polar ice last week carrying two U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service biologists and their pilot.

Thursday was the seventh day of the search, begun when the wildlife plane failed to return as scheduled to the Deadhorse airport at Prudhoe Bay Oct. 11.

Night searches also were conducted this week in hopes that the sound of search planes would prompt the missing men to light signal flares and reveal their location.

The plane carried two weeks' worth of food, plenty of survival gear and two emergency locator transmitters - but no signal has been picked up.

A crash landing on the ice would have set off the ELTs, but if the plane crashed into a stretch of open water between the arctic coast and the polar pack ice, no signal would be transmitted from under water, Moreth said.

Searchers have covered 86,000 square miles north of Point Barrow, the northernmost point of land in the United States. Six planes, three Coast Guard C-130s and three civilian planes, were continuing the search, Moreth said. He said the search area was expanded to the east and searchers had not given up hope.

''We take each day as it comes,'' Moreth said. ''We don't decide one week later that we'll shut down the case.''

Searchers have flown as far as 250 miles north of the Alaska coast in their flights over the polar ice pack. Some search planes have had to return at times because of icing on their wings, Moreth said.

Two the federal wildlife agency's five polar bear biologists, John Bevins, 35, and George Menkens, 33, were on the plane. The pilot, with an estimated 20

years experience in arctic flying, was Clifford Minch.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Suspended				
Action Savings Bank				
Eastland Financial Corp				
Sandwich Co-operative Bank				
Increased				
Health Care Prop Inv	Q	.77 3/4	11-20	11-2
Super Food Svcs	Q	.08 1/2	12-15	11-15
Reduced				
CalFed Inc	Q	.03	12-14	11-15
Hingham Inst for Svgs	Q	.04	11-15	11-1
Distribution				
Mesa Offshore Trust	..	.0059	1-31	10-31
Mesa Royalty Trust	..	.1837	1-31	10-31
Sahara Casino Ptrs LP	..	.28	11-14	11-1
Sun Distributors LP A	..	.0916	11-30	11-1
Usual				
Archer-Daniels-Midld	Q	.02 1/2	12-3	11-9
ARCO Chemical Co	Q	.62 1/2	12-7	11-2
Central SoWest Corp	Q	.69	11-30	11-8
CIM Hi Yld Scrts	..	.07	11-5	10-26
Coca-Cola Co	Q	.20	12-15	12-1
Ellsworth Cvtble G&IF	Q	.15	11-28	11-9
First Fedl Svgs Bk	Q	.15	11-13	10-31
Fst Fedl S&L Assoc EH	Q	.07	11-9	11-1
General Signal Corp	Q	.45	1-2	12-10
Giant Food Inc	Q	.15	12-7	11-2
Golden Corral Rlty	Q	.26	11-15	10-31
Hasbro Inc	Q	.05	11-16	11-2
IMC Fertilizer Group	Q	.27	12-28	12-14
ONEOK Inc	Q	.19	11-15	10-31
Resource America Inc	..	.02 1/2	12-10	11-19
Springs Indus Inc A	Q	.30	1-2	12-17
Springs Indus Inc B	Q	.27	1-2	12-17
Thomas Industries	Q	.19	1-1	12-7
Valero Energy Corp	Q	.07	12-11	11-2

Wyman Gordon Co	Q	.20	12-10	11-30

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 18) UPI - The Angolan ambassador to the United Nations Thursday welcomed a vote in the U.S. House of Representatives that restricted aid to rebels seeking to overthrow the Angolan government.

But Manuel Pacavira lashed out at the Bush administration for its support of the rebels, saying the Angolan government has abandoned Marxist-Leninism and wants improved business relations with the United States.

The House voted Wednesday to restrict future CIA aid to the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola, or UNITA.

The measure was an amendment added to a $30 billion bill authorizing spending for U.S. intelligence activities. It was sponsored by Rep. Stephen Solarz, D-N.Y., and would stop military assistance to UNITA for three months once Angola's government has agreed to a cease-fire, a settlement with UNITA that would include elections within two years, and an end to Soviet military aid.

The ambassador said his government was holding talks with UNITA aimed at ending the 15-year war but that the talks were being held up by rebel demands that the government recognize it officially. He said his government was moving toward a multiparty system and had not precluded recognizing UNITA, but that to do so before a cease-fire would legitimize ''armed insurrection.''

The CIA gives UNITA about $60 million a year. Pacavira criticized the Bush administration for wanting to continue the support, saying it was leading to death and destruction in his country. ''We do not want confrontation with the United States.'' he said, ''We want to do business with the it.''

He noted the excellent relations his government has with U.S., French and Italian oil companies operating in Angola as evidence of its good intentions.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 18) UPI - A federal judge cut businessman Charles H. Keating Jr.'s $5 million bail to $300,000 Thursday, ruling that a lower court had acted ''arbitrarily'' in setting the higher bail.

''The bail level is a violation of Mr. Keating's ... Constitutional rights,'' U.S. District Judge John G. Davies said in slashing the bail. ''It seems to me that the trial court acted arbitrarily.''

Keating, the former owner of failed Lincoln Savings, has been held in a 6-by-8-foot County Jail cell since Sept. 18 after being indicted on state securities and fraud charges.

With his bail lowered, he could be released as early as Thursday evening, his attorneys indicated following the one-hour federal court hearing.

Bradley Boland, one of Keating's five son-in-laws, said, ''We'll see'' in response to questions on how soon Keating, whose home is in Phoenix, would be out of jail.

To obtain his freedom, Keating, along with posting $300,000 bail, would also have to surrender his passport, agree not to travel outside the continental United States and agree to make a weekly report of his whereabouts to the District Attorney's office.

If the bail is not met in cash, Keating or his family would be required to post property or some other type of collateral with a value of about $420,000.

Keating, 66, who made a fortune in Arizona real estate and had accumulated assets of nearly $40 million three years ago but claims he is now a pauper, did not attend the hearing.

He and three co-defendants are scheduled to go to trial Nov. 26, although attorneys for both sides say that the start of the trial may be delayed.

Superior Court Judge Gary Klausner had set the $5 million bail after Keating surrendered upon being indicted by the county grand jury on 42 counts in connection with the sale of $250 million of now-worthless American Continental Corp. bonds through branches of Lincoln Savings.

Klausner refused to lower Keating's bail, saying he represented a flight risk. The judge, defending the $5 million figure late last month, explained that it represented a traditional 2 percent of the loss suffered by those allegedly victimized by Keating's actions.

Many of the victims were elderly and lost their life savings after American Continental filed for bankruptcy in April 1989 and Lincoln was seized the following day by federal regulators.

Keating's attorneys have claimed he is more than $5 million in debt and said that his family of six children could raise enough funds to make $500,000 bail and then only through pledging their houses as collateral.

In arguing for the lower bail, Keating's attorneys portrayed him as a strongly religious family man who has been persecuted by the media and wants to vindicate himself.

''He is probably the most vilified man since Richard Nixon,'' attorney Jack Quinn told the judge. ''The prospect of his children losing the places where they live would never allow Charlie Keating to leave'' the country.

But prosecutors told Davies that Keating's contention that he is broke has never been supported through an independent auditing of his finances, only by evidence presented through his personal accountant.

Davies said in his ruling that the only issue on which he could rule was whether the lower court had acted in an arbitrary manner is setting the bail at $5 million.

''What the trial court did is rationally unsupportable,'' Davies said. ''There is no rational reason why 2 percent of $250 million should be the amount of the bail.''

Davies also said that Klausner had acted arbitrarily by setting significantly lower bails for Keating's co-defendants - former American Continental President July Wischer, 42; former Lincoln chief executive officer Robin Symes 37; and fomer Lincoln president Ray Fidel, 32.

Klausner had originally set bails for the trio at $1 million each, but lowered them to $200,000 for Wischer and $100,000 for Symes and Fidel. All bailed out of jail shortly thereafter.

Davies, noting that all four defendants are named in each count, said, ''I can see no rational reason for this disparate treatment.''

Keating won his bail reduction after going through the state appellate system. A state Court of Appeal panel had refused to lower the bail and the state Supreme Court refused to hear the case.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 18) UPI - A man on trial for allegedly raping comedian Sam Kinison's girlfriend while the comic was asleep in a drunken stupor testified Thursday that the woman had sex with him willingly.

Unway Carter, 22, testified he met Kinison June 21 at a Sunset Strip rock club and that the comic paid him $100 to be his bodyguard for the night. After a night of heavy drinking by the comedian, Kinison and Carter took a taxi back to the entertainer's Hollywood Hills home, where Kinison passed out, Carter said.

The 6-foot-5, 300-pound Carter said he then heard Kinison's girlfriend yelling at the comic, accusing him of ''two-timing her, boozing it up.''

After the argument, Carter said, he went to the girlfriend's bedroom to see if she was alright and found her crying.

''I put my arm around her,'' he said. ''I was trying to make her feel better. Next thing I know, we was embraced in a kiss. We rolled around on the bed for awhile. She started to take her leotards off. I was wondering what was going on.''

Carter and the woman then had sex, he said. She didn't resist in any manner and he believed she wanted to have sex, Carter testified.

Afterwards, Carter said, the woman told him: '''We can't let Sam know what happened.' She'd be cut off (finacially).''

Carter said the woman then got up to go the bathroom and a short time later, he heard shots fired.

''My first thought was that she had shot him or he was shooting her,'' Carter said.

Carter said he dialed the 911 emergency line and waited for police to come to Kinison's home. When they did, he was arrested for allegedly raping the woman.

Kinison may be called as a prosecution rebuttal witness at the Superior Court trial.

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GOLDEN, Colo. (OCT. 19) UPI - Adolph Coors Co. shareholders approved a plan Thursday to restructure the brewmaker into a holding company.

Coors execurtives said the reorganization will be accomplished by transferring most of the assets related to the company's brewing business to a wholly owned subsidiary.

The subsidiary will operate as ''Coors Brewing Co.,'' the company's current trade name for its beer business. The transfer of assets is scheduled to be effective Dec. 31.

The company said the restructuring will ''enhance management focus in each of the businesses'' and will ''provide other advantages, such as increased financial flexibility and lower financing costs and taxes.''

Other measures approved by Class A and Class B stockholders included an increase in the number of authorized shares of the company's Class B common stock from 46.2 million shares to 100 million shares, and authorization of a

new class of 25 million shares of non-voting preferred stock.

The share increases are primarily designed to give the company increased financial flexibility, company executives said.

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(OCT 18 -Digital Equipment Corp. and Apple Computer Inc., two of the nation's largest computer manufacturers, posted sharply lower earnings Thursday, but their stocks rose in a bull market.

Digital, suffering from a slowdown in the minicomputer market, reported an 82.6 percent decline in first-quarter earnings. Apple posted a 38.9 percent decline in fourth-quarter profits.

Digital, the nation's second-largest computer manufacturer, posted net income of $26.2 million, or 21 cents a share, down from $150.8 million, or $1.20 a share, in the first quarter last year.

Revenue for the quarter, ended Sept. 29, slid to $3.09 billion from $3.13 billion in the year-earlier quarter, reflecting a 6.5 percent drop in product sales. Service revenue rose 8 percent in the quarter.

Wall Street reacted favorably to Digital's report, pushing Digital's stock up $4.25 to close at $51 a share on the New York Stock Exchange.

Digital, of Maynard, Mass., said it was cutting expenses by trimming its work force, consolidating facilities, reducing discretionary spending and increasing automation. Last year, Digital reduced its work force by 1,800 workers through voluntary buyouts, and it said it plans to cut another 5,000 employees this year.

The company's U.S. business showed ''some improvement'' in the first quarter, said John Smith, senior vice president of operations.

''While the pace of business in Europe and other parts of the world has slowed we continue to be encouraged by positive customer reaction to both existing and upcoming hardware, software and service products,'' Smith said.

Apple, the nation's sixth largest computer company, posted net income for the quarter ended Sept. 28 of $98.5 million, or 81 cents a share, down from $161.1 million, or $1.24 a share, in the fourth quarter of the prior year.

Apple's sales for the quarter slid to $1.35 billion from $1.38 billion in the year-earlier period.

Last year's fourth-quarter earnings included a $48 million gain from the sale

of Apple's stock in software maker Adobe Systems Inc.

The Cupertino, Calif., manufacturer of personal computers said it expected sales to improve in the current fiscal year because of the introduction Monday of three new Macintosh personal computers, including an entry-level model priced at $999.

Apple released its earnings after the close of the stock market. Its stock closed up $2 at $28.50 a share.

For the fiscal year, Apple said its net income grew 4.6 percent to $474.9 million, or $3.77 a share, from $454 million, or $3.53 a share, in the prior year. Sales grew to $5.56 billion from $5.28 billion in the previous year.

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OAKLAND, Calif. (OCT. 18) UPI - Tom Browning was nervous enough watching Game 2 of the World Series from the Cincinnati dugout Wednesday night. And then it happened.

''A clubhouse boy came over and told me my wife wanted to talk to me when we were up to bat in the seventh inning,'' said Browning, the Reds starter in Game 3. ''I knew then what it was.''

What Browning knew is that his wife was about to give birth to the couple's third child.

Browning told the clubhouse boy to tell the coaching staff he was heading to the hospital with his wife, Debbie, and would not be back.

''That was first mistake,'' said Browning during batting practice Thursday in the Oakland Coliseum. ''I should have told them myself.''

Somehow, word never got back to the Reds coaching staff, and when manager Lou Pinella saw how many pitchers he was using, he told coach Stan Williams not to let Browning go anywhere.

''I was down to three pitchers, so I thought just maybe I'd have to use Tom if the game went into extra innings,'' Pinella said. ''Williams said no problem, Tom would be ready.''

By the eighth, it looked like Browning may just get the nod as the Reds tied the contest 4-4.

''I was shocked (when he couldn't find Browning on the bench),'' said Williams. ''Lou said 'What the hell is going on?' I said I didn't know. I didn't think a guy would just up and leave the World Series.''

Williams was soon informed of Browning's plight and sent word to the clubhouse to start calling all the hospitals in the Cincinnati area. In the meantime, the local radio announcer Marty Brennamen issued the all point bulletin over the airways.

''I really didn't hear about it (the call for his return to the stadium) until Tim McCarver said something about it over the television, '' said Browning, who has an impressive 7-1 record with a 2.71 ERA on the road this season. ''I had my own situation to worry about. I wasn't going to be able to get back to the stadium.''

While the Reds were searching the countryside for Browning, the Cincinnati pitcher was pacing in the delivery room in full uniform.

''I had to do what I had to do,'' Browning said. ''I didn't even have time to change. Thank goodness I had my turf shoes on.

When Joe Oliver's double bought Bill Bates home with the winning run in the 10th, no one was more thankful than Browning.

''The baby (Tucker Thomas Browning) was born about a half an hour later,'' Browning said. ''Two thrills in a row - a two-game lead in the Series and a new son.''

Williams said there was no hard feelings over Browning going AWOL.

''It's perfectly understandable what he did,'' Williams said. ''In a situation like that a man has to do what's best for his family.''

The last pitcher whose wife gave birth during a World Series was Kansas City's Bret Saberhagen, who tossed a 5-hit shutout in Game 7 of the 1985 Series a day after the birth of his son.

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DALLAS (OCT. 18) UPI - The agency that oversees the state's interest in the superconducting super collider Thursday voted to accelerate the state's appropriations by $60 million in anticipation of federal budget cuts.

The Texas National Research Laboratory Commission already had planned to commit $89 million to the project, bringing the state's fiscal 1991 contribution to $149 million.

Joseph Cipriano, the manager of the Department of Energy's SSC project office, asked for the accelerated funding, saying it was essential to keep the giant atom-smasher program on schedule.

The House and Senate appropriations conference committee last Friday removed approximately $50 million in federal funding for the SSC project as part of deficit-reduction measures included in the 1991 energy and water development spending bills.

Cipriano told panel members that 1991 funding is particularly important because of several crucial programs, including demonstrating that the massive magnets that are central to the project's success will function properly.

''If we can proceed in 1991 on schedule, we will have a very firm and strong technical basis'' for continuing the high-energy physics project, he said.

Commission Chairman Morton H. Meyerson said without the state increase, the project would have been delayed ''six months or one year'' and would ultimately cost more.

''If you extend the time to build it, it obviously is going to cost more because of inflation,'' he said.

The state has committed at least $1 billion to the project's total cost, which the DOE put at $5.9 billion earlier this year. The SSC is now expected to cost $8 billion, although sources in government and industry say the figure could go much higher. Four audits conducted this summer estimated the collider would cost between $7.8 billionand $11.7 billion.

The state in May sold the first $250 million in general obligation bonds to fund the project.

Only about $4 million of the $250 million has been spent, with the rest earning interest in short- to medium-term U.S. Treasury notes. With state funding projections for fiscal year 1992 ranging from $101 million to $200 million, the entire $250 million could be spent by the end of fiscal 1992.

''Before too long, at this rate of expenditure, we'll have to go back to the market again to raise more money,'' Commissioner Peter O'Donnell Jr., who is in charge of finance and budget matters, told the panel.

In other action Thursday, the commission voted to provide up to $5 million for the magnet development laboratory and agreed to a ''Memorandum of Understanding'' clarifying the state and DOE roles in the joint effort.

The commission also agreed in principal to develop a plan for a state-owned office building of up to 200,000 square feet at a cost of up to $16 million to be located near the main SSC campus in Ellis County.

The office project, which would require DOE approval, would combine state and federal offices in a central location. The state would own the building and

collect rent on the office space, Meyerson told panel members.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - Senators heeded the warnings of their leaders and today rejected an amendment that might have doomed a deficit-cutting budget bill. The amendment called for higher taxes for the rich and a lower increase in the federal gasoline tax.

It also would have eliminated higher costs for Medicare beneficiaries, including a proposal for higher annual premiums. Senate leaders warned earlier that President Bush threatened to veto tax hikes for the wealthy.

A fast-moving tornado touched down without warning in Remington, Virginia, today, ripping roofs off several downtown stores. NO one was killed or injured. A town official says- ''We were lucky. I think we got off real lucky.''

A day after the anniversary of last year's big quake, a mild earthquake measuring four on the Richter Scale shattered windows in southern California. NO damage or deaths are reported. The Caltech Seismology Lab says the quake described as a ''big jerk'' was centered one mile north of Costa Mesa.

Secretary of State Baker says any partial settlement of the Middle East crisis would be ''self-defeating appeasement.'' He spoke on Capitol Hill today, saying Mideast peace depends on removing Saddam Hussein's capacity to make war.

The Persian Gulf crisis is taking its toll on the U-S economy. The Labor Department says consumer prices rose eight-tenths of one percent in September, marking the second such monthly hike in a row. Higher oil prices are blamed.

U-S crude oil prices rebounded this afternoon, after falling more than two dollars a barrel earlier today. Prices in New York stood near yesterday's close of 36-70 a barrel, on reports of Israeli soldiers shooting Palestinians.

Israeli police wounded at least 26 Palestinians today at a refugee camp in the Gaza Strip. Bullets began flying when hundreds of stone- and bottle-throwing Arabs attacked a new army observation post erected in the center of the neighborhood.

The dreaded killer bees have finally reached American soil. Federal officials say a swarm of about three-thousand Africanized honey bees was found in a monitoring trap and destroyed yesterday at the southernmost tip of Texas. Texas beekeepers say they have expected the migration for the past four or five years.

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#90291u2231 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
SAN DIEGO (OCT. 18) UPI - British Airways announced suspension of its daily direct flight from San Diego to London Wednesday, citing changes in the world economic situation that made the route unprofitable.

Robert Falkner, British Airways' executive vice president for North America, said in a release that flights would stop Nov. 30, but the airline was negotiating a shuttle arrangement between San Diego and Los Angeles with United Airlines.

''Faced with the reality that, under present circumstances, it was no longer economically viable to operate and make a reasonable return, we had no choice '' Falkner said.

He later told the San Diego Daily Transcript that the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq had caused the price of fuel to skyrocket.

''Frankly,'' Falkner told the newspaper, ''We have been forced into this situation.''

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#90291u2273 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 18) UPI - President Bush warmly welcomed Prime Minister Jozef Antall to the White Hosue Thursday, declaring ''Hungary is a democracy'' and promising to urge world financial institutions to complement U.S. aid with more loans.

''Hungary is no longer an emerging democracy,'' said Bush. ''Hungary is a democracy.''

The Bush administration has sought to back democratic reforms in Hungary and the rest of Eastern Europe with economic assistance, food and energy as well as trade.

In his remarks the president noted that he has asked Congress for $300 million in assistance for Hungary and $47.5 million in credits for feed grain purchases.

In addition, he said that American companies are committed to over $500 million in investments in the former communist country.

Bush said that Hungary, like other new democracies in Eastern Europe, is ''paying a price a high price for resolutely supporting the United Nations resolutions'' against the Iraqi takeover of Kuwait.

The president said the United States is asking the International Monetary Fund

to increase its lending to Hungary by as much as $5 billion and also will ask the World Bank to accelerate its assistance in the energy field because of a recent unexpected cutback in Soviet oil deliveries.

The cut has forced Hungary to delve into its meager hard-currency reserves to buy additional petroleum at world market prices.

The government has been criticized for its cautious approach to economic reform and privatizing state-owned property. The government has failed to implement a comprehensive economic program or to take effective measures to curb inflation, now running at an annual rate of nearly 30 percent.

Antall said that ''economic change is far more difficult than political change'' as his country is attempting to transform its government centrally controlled economy to a free market.

''Hungary today is a parliamentary republic and we have laid the groundwork for a free market economy,'' said Antall, 58, a former library and museum director.

Antall's center-right Hungarian Democratic Forum won parliamentary elections in March and April - the country's first free balloting in 43 years - and now heads the three-party governing coalition.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 19) UPI - The stocks of MGM/UA Communications and Pathe Communications jumped Thursday on rumors that Pathe is on the verge of completing its $1.3 billion deal for MGM/UA ahead of next week's deadline.

MGM/UA rose $1.50 to $15.75 a share on the New York Stock Exchange, while Pathe was up 62.5 cents to $4.375 a share on the Big Board.

Pathe, which is controlled by Italian financier Giancarlo Parretti, has until Oct. 23 to close the deal for MGM/UA, where production has slowed to a trickle during the past two years while the studio has been on the block.

Despite widespread skepticism in the entertainment industry that Parretti could finance the deal, Pathe has made a total of $353 million in non-refundable down payments to MGM/UA and all but $100 million of that has been distributed to its shareholders.

Pathe has indicated in filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission that it would obtain the additional financing through a complex series of deals involving Parretti's European assets.

''I have heard the rumors about the deal closing soon, but I am still not sure

that Pathe will be able to complete the deal,'' entertainment analyst Steven Hill of Sutro & Co. in San Francisco said Thursday.

Pathe originally announced the deal in March and subsequently obtained an agreement from Time Warner Inc. to provide a $650 million loan in exchange for distribution rights to Pathe and MGM/UA films and the valuable United Artists film library.

The library, with more than 1,000 titles, includes ''One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest'' and the James Bond and ''Pink Panther'' films. It is viewed as the key MGM/UA asset.

That agreement fell through in June and both companies subsequently sued each other, alleging breach of contract. However, reports have emerged this week that Time Warner may again be involved with financing the deal.

Time Warner stock rose $1.375 to $68.50 a share Thursday on the New York Stock Exchange.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - The clock is ticking toward tomorrow night's budget agreement deadline, but word from the White House indicates that there might be some flexibility. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says President Bush will NOT close down the government at midnight tomorrow... as long as Congress is close to a deficit-reduction agreement. Fitzwater says Bush would be willing to sign a stop-gap funding measure ''covering two or three days'' to allow Congress to finish work on the pact.

The U-N Security Council's five permanent members are discussing a resolution demanding that food be sent to trapped Western diplomats and foreigners in Kuwait. It's seen as an effort by Washington to keep diplomatic pressure on Iraq... and maintain the unity of the Arab coalition against Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The dreaded ''killer bees'' from South America landed on U-S soil this week, but their arrival brought little fanfare. Federal officials say a swarm of about three-thousand bees was found near Hidalgo at the southernmost tip of Texas. The bees were destroyed. Texas authorities don't expect to see many more ''killer bees'' for at least a year. The bees are a hybrid of South American and African bees that are easily provoked to sting.

In El Salvador, government troops beefed up security in the capital today... following a rebel attack last night on San Salvador's major air force base. Five people, including two civilians, were injured in an attack that lasted several hours.

American adults who have NOT been vaccinated are being urged to be immunized against flu, measles and other diseases. The federal Centers for Disease Control says immunization programs have cut disease in children. It says adults who were NOT infected or immunized as children may be at increased risk for the diseases.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - President Bush appears to be softening his demand that Congress have a budget package completed by midnight tomorrow. Bush backed off his threat to let the government shut down if he didN'T have a budget agreement in hand. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the president is willing to a sign a temporary stop-gap spending bill if congressional negotiators are near a final agreement on slashing the budget deficit.

Secretary of State Baker says he is NOT interested in comproming the U-S stance in the Persian Gulf crisis. In testimony today before the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Baker said peace in the Middle East depends on removing Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's capacity to make war. Baker made similar statements yesterday before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Israeli soldiers shot and wounded at least 26 Palestinians who attacked a new army observation post in a Gaza Strip refugee camp today. Arab sources say hundreds of residents threw stones and bottles at the soldiers who had just set up the post... a common site in the occupied territories. An army spokesman says the soldiers used ''a variety of means'' to disperse the crowd, including plastic bullets. The area was reported quiet by nightfall.

Infighting among Iran's ruling clergy reportedly has intensified in the past few days. Tehran residents reached by telephone from Athens, Greece, say some hard-liners are said to be questioning Ayatollah Khamenei's authority as spiritual leader of the Islamic Republic. The dispute erupted after hard-liners were disqualified from taking part in elections to a senior clerical assembly.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - France today asked the U-N secretary-general to prevent more Syrian executions of defeated followers of renegade Lebanese General Michel Aoun. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar issued a statement today from Paris saying he had received reports of the executions. France's ruling Socialist Party expressed ''disgust, indignation and revulsion'' at the killings.

A U-N mission to Jordan says the country continues to import oil from Iraq despite U-N sanctions against Baghdad. But it says NON-oil trade between the

two countries has stopped... resulting in severe economic losses for Jordan. The French diplomat who led the mission says Jordan has NO alternative but to import oil from Iraq. Saudi Arabia cut off supplies because it is NOT happy with Jordan's fence-straddling position on the Persian Gulf crisis.

The budget plan now being debated by the Senate could hike the cost of a first-class stamp even more than the nickel increase expected early next year. Postal Service officials say the agency would be forced to save nearly six-BILLION dollars in the next five years... under the deficit-cutting package passed by the House Tuesday. They say by 1995, that could mean an additional two-cent rise in the cost of mailing a letter.

The police chief of Rochester, New York, was arrested by the F-B-I today on charges of embezzlement and misappropriation of public funds from the department's property office. Authorities say five other members of the police department... including a deputy chief and a captain... were suspended with pay as part of the ongoing investigation.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - World Health Organization researchers say the hormone testosterone may lead to the first easily reversible, reliable form of birth control for men. The scientists say in a report published today that weekly injections of testosterone can be highly effective as a male contraceptive. A study of the hormone shows the injections work better for some men than birth control pills do for women. The shots also are much more reliable than condoms or I-U-D's.

The Coast Guard says a week-long search has NOT turned up any sign of a federal wildlife team missing in Alaska. The researchers' twin-engine plane vanished over the Arctic ice carrying two U-S Fish and Wildlife Service biologists and their pilot. The Coast Guard says it has NOT given up hope of finding the men, dispite NOT finding a single clue to their disappearance.

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#90291u2916 10/18/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 18) UPI - President Bush is softening his stance on whether he'll sign another stop-gap spending bill... as the Senate heads toward a final vote on a deficit reduction plan. The White House says Bush would keep the government funded... if Congress is close to an agreement on an acceptable budget plan.

France is calling for U-N intervention to stop reported executions of soldiers loyal to a defeated military leader in Lebanon. Paris also registered its-quote- ''revulsion'' at reports of Syrian-approved brutality.

Charles Keating was portrayed as a persecuted man today in court arguments in

Los Angeles. A lawyer called Keating ''probably the most vilified man since Richard Nixon.'' The hearing ended with a judge lowering the indicted businessman's bail.

Amnesty International cites the killing of homeless children... in urging Guatemala to stop a cycle of increasing violence. The London- based human rights group says in one case, a 13-year-old boy was fatally beaten by police.

A police detective says nude dance shows and adult bookstores are scattered throughout the Florida county where a rap group gave a controversial performance in June. The testimony came in the obscenity trial of members of 2-Live Crew.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - The Senate is continuing work toward a final vote on a deficit cutting bill, with pressure from the White House diminishing somewhat. President Bush has repeatedly threatened to veto another stop-gap spending bill to replace the one that expires tomorrow at midnight But spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says Bush would be willing to sign another measure to keep the government funded... if Congress is close to agreement on a spending plan.

The Middle Atlantic Coast was lashed today by violent thunderstorms that whipped up tornadoes and powerful winds. Officials say as many as five tornadoes were reported within a 50-mile radius of Washington, D- C... knocking out power to thousands of homes in Virginia, Maryland and the nation's capital. The twisters left cars overturned and trees toppled... and caused several boats to sink in the Potomac River.

A hush fell over a Capitol Hill hearing room today when one lawmaker asked Secretary of State Baker if he could rule out U-S military action against Iraq. Baker replied with a flat ''NO.'' The comment came as the secretary of state explained the administration's Persian Gulf policy to the House Foreign Affairs Committee. He said the administration would consult Congress if it came down to a military attack. But he conceded, in practical terms, that President Bush would lose needed flexibility if he had to seek consent before acting.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir leveled criticism at the United Nations today. Shamir says it was a ''grave mistake'' for the U-N Security Council to humiliate Israel in an effort to maintain unity in the U-S-led coalition against Iraq. But the Israeli leader attempted to play down tensions between his country and its number-one ally, the United States.

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Last week, the Council- including the U-S representative- condemned the

killing of 20 Palestinians by Israeli police in a Jerusalem uprising.

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(OCT. 18) UPI - Workers in Alvin, Texas, have UNearthed 33 bodies from two fields officials say were used as illegal dumpsites for as many as 80 bodies donated to a chiropractic college. The digging began yesterday following the indictment of Richard Herrin. For more than three years, Herrin had been paid by the Pasadena school to cremate the remains of cadavers donated to the school. Instead, officials say Herrin buried the bodies on private land southeast of Houston.

Martin Luther DIDN'T get much credit in the 16th century when he challenged the Roman Catholic Church. Now in the 20th century, the German religious reformer has a chance at a six-thousand-dollar line of credit from a Maryland bank. The letter offering a Chevy Chase Federal Savings Bank gold card to Luther was mailed to Washington, D-C's Luther Place Memorial Church. The pastor... John Steinbruck... says he wrote back, saying Luther already had UNlimited credit, in the form of grace, and already enjoyed a ''preferred status.''

Actress Jane Fonda was in Moscow today to celebrate physical fitness. She led about 500 cheering Soviet women in a one-point-six-mile run around the red brick walls of the Kremlin. A Soviet military band played ''Stars and Stripes Forever'' as runners headed off from Red Square. Fonda's aerobic exercise videotapes have made her an international symbol of good health.

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SUNNYVALE, Calif. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Trimble Navigation (NASDAQ:TRMB), a leading manufacturer of GPS products, announced financial results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Third quarter revenue of $16.1 million increased 137 percent over the like quarter of 1989, while nine months revenue of $39.2 million increased 87 percent over the similar period a year ago. Product sales, representing revenue other than technology licenses and research, were $39.1 million for the 1990 nine-month period, a 112 percent increase over the 1989 nine-month period.

Operating income and net income for the 1990 third quarter and nine months also improved substantially over the corresponding 1989 periods. Net income of $626,000 and $786,000 for the 1990 quarter and nine months, respectively (4 cents per share and 5 cents per share for the periods) compares to losses in the 1989 periods.

The increase in Trimble revenue is broadly distributed across all of its product lines. Customer demand for product remains strong, especially in the government systems group which was recently awarded contracts totalling over $7 million for hand-held GPS receivers.

The majority of the receivers under these contracts will be delivered during the company's fourth quarter which ends Dec. 31, 1990. Sales of GPS receivers for survey, mapping and marine applications continue at historically high levels. The company also commenced shipments of products targeted to aviation markets during the third quarter.

Trimble Navigation completed its initial public offering of 3 million shares of common stock on July 20, 1990. The company sold 2.5 million shares in the offering and 500,000 shares were sold by certain selling shareholders. The offering was managed by Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Company Inc. and Needham & Company Inc.

Trimble is the world leader in the emerging commercial market for satellite-based navigation and position data products using the U.S. Government-funded Global Positioning System (GPS). Trimble designs, manufactures, and markets electronic instruments and systems for determining precise geographic location.

These products are sold in a variety of markets including survey and mapping, Geographic Information Systems (GIS), marine, aviation, vehicle tracking, military applications, and differential GPS systems. The company, founded in 1978 and located in the heart of Silicon Valley, Calif., has been selling GPS to the world market since 1984.

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Trimble Navigation Ltd.
Consolidated Statement of Income
(In thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenue:				
Product sales	$ 16,064	$ 6,812	$39,073	$18,420
Technology licenses and research	52	0	98	2,493
Net revenue	16,116	6,812	39,171	20,913
Operating expenses:				
Cost of product sales	7,320	2,833	18,117	8,225
Research and development	3,583	2,149	8,803	6,285
Sales and marketing	2,730	1,372	7,145	4,285
General and administrative	1,539	536	3,527	2,129
Total operating expenses	15,172	6,890	37,592	20,924
Operating income (loss)	944	(78)	1,579	(11)
Interest expense (income), net	(57)	202	354	577
Income (loss) before income taxes				

1,001 (280) 1,225 (588) Provision for (benefit from) income taxes 375 (112) 439 (235) Net income (loss) $ 626 ($168) $ 786 ($353) Net income (loss) per share 4 cents (1 cent) 5 cents (3 cents) Weighted average common and common equivalent shares 15,939 11,777 13,900 10,881

Trimble Navigation Ltd.
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet
(In thousands)

Sept. 30, 1990 Dec. 31, 1989
(Unaudited) Assets Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments $12,626 $ 515 Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of $315 and $245, respectively 13,390 8,225 Inventories 10,653 5,182 Prepaid income taxes 391 153 Other current assets 612 299 Total current assets 37,672 14,374 Net property and equipment 5,598 3,736 Other assets 377 497

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$43,647 $18,607 Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity Current liabilities: Note payable to bank $ -- $ 3,400 Accounts payable 3,204 3,255 Accrued compensation and related liabilities 1,290 911 Other accrued liabilities 2,131 394 Income taxes payable -- 167 Capitalized lease obligations -- current portion 737 454 Total current liabilities 7,362 8,581 Convertible subordinated note, including accrued interest of $324 at Dec. 31, 1989 -- 3,324 Capitalized lease obligations -- non-current portion 1,295 1,095 Deferred royalty revenue 907 -- Shareholders' equity: Common stock, no par value, 40,000 shares authorized; issued and outstanding: 14,735 and 11,048, respectively 33,447 6,667 Notes receivable from shareholders (653) (1,179) Retained earnings 905 119 Foreign currency translation adjustment 384 -- Total shareholders' equity 34,083 5,607

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INDUSTRY KEYWORD: AEROSPACE/DEFENSE COMPUTERS/ELECTRONICS Z

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SEATTLE (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Alaska Air Group, Inc. (NYSE, PSE) Friday reported consolidated third quarter net profit of $19.7 million.

This compares with last year's third quarter profit of $23.5 million. Fully diluted per share earnings for the quarter were $1.08 versus $1.26 last year.

Operating revenues for the third quarter of 1990 rose ten percent to $295.7 million, up from $268.9 million last year. Correspondingly, passenger traffic grew by nine percent. Operating expenses increased 14 percent to $264.0 million from $231.5 million last year. Available seat mile capacity increased by 13 percent. Aircraft fuel expense increased 43 percent, or $14.1 million, due primarily to sharply higher fuel prices attributed to the Kuwait invasion. The operating expense per available seat mile was 10.8 cents, up from 10.7 cents in the 1989 third quarter.

''It was frustrating to watch the price of fuel go up almost daily while it remained in ample supply worldwide,'' said Bruce R. Kennedy, chairman and chief executive officer. ''During the quarter, the average fuel price was 80 cents per gallon. However, it rose from 65 cents in July to $1.20 by the end of September. The higher fuel price added $10 million to our third quarter costs. The cumulative 9.5 percent fare increase should provide some relief, but the impact of fuel costs will be even more severe in the fourth quarter,'' noted Kennedy.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, the company reported consolidated net profit of $27.3 million, or $1.53 per share. This is down from 1989's net profit of $40.5 million, or $2.36 per share. Operating revenues for the 1990 period were $789.8 million, 14 percent greater than the $693.2 million posted a year ago. Operating expenses were $743.8 million, a 19 percent increase from $626.3 million for the 1989 nine-month period.

Alaska Air Group is the parent company of Alaska Airlines and Horizon Air Industries.

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RICHARDSON, TX (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Rockwell International Corp.'s Command and Control Systems Division (CCSD) has received a $2 million contract from the U.S. Customs Service for the production and delivery of P-3 Airborne Early Warning and Control (AEW&C) communications suite equipment.

Under terms of the contract, issued by the Department of the Treasury, U.S. Customs Service, Washington, D.C., Office of Procurement, CCSD will provide P-3 AEW&C communications suite equipment for Aircraft 3 and the communications suite equipment for the ugrade of Aircraft 1 and 2.

CCSD will also provide production and delivery of the high-frequency antenna interfaces to include Radio Frequency Interference enclosures for the existing long-wire and boom antenna.

The communications suite and upgrade equipment consists of MIL-STD-1553B data bus integrated control; AN/ARC-207 high-frequency, AN/ARC-182 multiband and AN/ARC-171 UHF radios; and a bus system interface unit for flight deck radio control.

The P-3 AEW aircraft is deployed by the U.S. Customs Service in surveillance of potential traffickers operating from surface or airborne platforms. There are currently two aircraft operating with CCSD communications systems.

Work on the program will be performed at the CCSD facility in Richardson and at Rockwell's Collins Avionics and Communications Division facility in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Rockwell International is a $12 billion, multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses.

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LONGMONT, COLO. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - PrairieTek Corp., developer and manufacturer of the industry's first 2.5-inch hard disk drives, announces the newest additions to its family of small drives.

Within the next year, PrairieTek will unveil five 2.5-inch models including low profile, dual disk 40 MB and 80 MB drives which will be available in evaluation quantities in the second half of 1991 and in production by the end of the year.

A single disk 40MB for even smaller system applications will become available in late 1991. Also slated for production are SCSI versions of these products. All of these drives will incorporate PrairieTek's patented ramp head loading mechanism and have a mean time between failure (MTBF) rating of 100,000 power on hours (POH), the highest in the industry.

The first of these new drives, the Prairie 242, a 42.8 megabyte (MB) hard drive, will be previewed at Fall COMDEX in Las Vegas. The 242 consumes an average of 0.7 watts in power savings mode and only 0.06 watts in standby mode and weighs just 7.9 ounces (225 grams). With

overall dimensions of 0.75 x 2.75 x 4.0 inches, including the integrated AT/XT controller, the Prairie 242 provides manufacturers of notebook and laptop computer systems with a rugged, high performance drive that requires minimal space and power.

''This drive is based on the Prairie 120 technology to take advantage of component availability and to yield a quick production ramp,'' said Leon Malmed, senior vice president of sales and marketing for PrairieTek.

An added design feature of the 242 is a single source power supply which requires only +5 volts for operation. With this feature, smaller power supplies and fewer batteries can be used, which reduces overall computer system weight and cost.

PrairieTek Corp., a privately held company, provides original equipment manufacturers with rugged, high performance, low-power disk drives. PrairieTek manufacturers 2.5-inch hard disk drives for laptop and portable computers and has its headquarters and manufacturing facilities located at 1830 Lefthand Cir. in Longmont. In addition, PrairieTek drives are manufactured in Japan by its manufacturing partner, ALPS Electric.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Gemstar Development Corp., Friday announced that it is making its unique VCR Plus+ (TM) technology available for inclusion in all future VCR designs, according to Paul Newman, Gemstar vice president.

VCR Plus+, which will be available first as a separate remote device starting this November at a suggested retail price of $59.95, utilizes the patent-pending PlusCode (TM) technology to make taping an easy one-step process.

Consumers simply punch in the short PlusCode number which will be printed in the television listing guides of many major newspapers and TV publications. Then, the remote VCR Plus+ device activates the taping mechanism of the VCR, ensuring that the desired show will be taped at the right time, on the right channel and for the proper duration.

Gemstar's licensing program is designed to bring the benefits of the PlusCode system -- quick and accurate taping -- inside future VCRs, requiring no significant design modifications by VCR manufacturers.

According to Newman, VCR Plus+ has generated strong positive response from a number of the world's leading VCR manufacturers. Several companies, to be named shortly, have signed agreements with Gemstar to incorporate the technology into their VCR products in 1991.

''The PlusCode technology offers the only true one-step way to tape TV shows '' said Newman. ''Unlike some other proposed VCR taping systems, VCR Plus+ is the only product that has been developed with the consumer in mind.

Gemstar Development Corp. is a privately held company formed to develop and market technological products which simplify life for consumers. Headquarters are located at 135 North Los Robles, Suite 870, Pasadena, Calif. 91101; 818/588-0100.

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DENVER (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Forest Oil Corp. declared a dividend of $3.9375 per share on the company's $15.75 cumulative preferred stock payable on Dec. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

The board also declared a dividend of $.53125 per share on the company's $2.125 convertible preferred stock payable on Jan. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

The board also declared a stock dividend of 2.5 percent of its outstanding common and Class B stock payable Dec. 10, 1990 to recordholders of Nov. 19, 1990. The stock dividend is payable in common stock and is in lieu of the payment of the fourth quarter cash dividend.

Forest Oil Corp. is engaged in the exploration for and acquisition, development and production of oil and natural gas. The company's principal reserves and producing properties are located offshore Louisiana, and in Texas

Wyoming, Oklahoma and Canada.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Metrobank (ASE:MBN), a Southern California regional business bank, recorded net income of $919,000, or 19 cents per share, for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, as compared with $1,608,000, or 38 cents per share, for the same period during 1989.

For the nine-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, the Bank posted net income of $3,624,000, or 76 cents per share, as compared with $4,105,000, or 97 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

Return on average assets for the third quarter of 1990 was .49 percent, as compared with .80 percent for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, return on assets was .64 percent, as compared with .70 percent for that same period in 1989.

Return on average equity for the third quarter of 1990 was 6.71 percent as compared with 15.00 percent for the same period of 1989. Return on average equity for the nine-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, was 9.08 percent, as compared with 13.30 percent for the same period of 1989.

Founded in 1979, Metrobank has headquarters in Westwood and operates regional head offices in Newport Beach, San Diego, San Fernando Valley and Torrance. At Dec. 31, 1989, Metrobank was ranked 20th in asset size among all California banks.

For further information, please contact David P. Malone, executive vice president and chief financial officer, at 213/824-5700.

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AKRON, OH (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Terry L. Haines has been elected President and Chief Operating Officer of A. Schulman, Inc., a leading international supplier of high performance plastic compounds and resins.

Mr. Haines, age 44, also has been elected to the Company's Board of Directors. This increases the size of the Board to 12 members.

Haines succeeds William C. Zekan, who has held the combined posts of Chairman

and President. Mr. Zekan will continue as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the Company.

Prior to his new post, Haines served A. Schulman as Vice President - North American Sales. Earlier he was General Manager of the Company's major Canadian operations.

A native of Akron, Haines joined A. Schulman in 1965 and has been with the Company his entire business career. He moved to Chicago in 1973 and became sales manager of that office in 1979. He transferred to Toronto in 1983 and was named head of A. Schulman's Canadian operations in 1986. He returned to the Company's Akron headquarters in 1989.

Mr. Haines and his wife, the former Jeannie B. Conner of Akron, have two children.

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WALNUT CREEK, CALIF. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Longs Drug Stores announced Friday that it will continue to provide pharmacy records and professional assistance to the more than 300,000 Foundation Health Plan members in California after Longs' exclusive provider contract with FHP terminates at the close of business tonight (Oct. 19).

Longs' Executive Vice President Steve Roath said, ''In spite of our business differences with Foundation, Longs will live up to its 52-year tradition of caring for the customer first by pledging to fulfill the pharmacy needs of the FHP members right up until our last store closes tonight. After today, we will then make our records available to Foundation customers so they can transfer the information to their new provider of covered benefits.

Roath added, ''Although as of tonight, Longs stores will no longer be providers of prescriptions under the FHP Drug Plan program, we don't intend to abandon our customers. Health needs not covered by FHP will continue to be provided at Longs. ''We did everything in our power to avoid this day, but now that it has come we will try to minimize the inconvenience and confusion for FHP members.''

Longs established a network of 182 chain and independent pharmacies to service the FHP contract, which went into effect in April 1988.

Roath emphasized, ''Since 1988, Longs stores and its affiliated pharmacies filled more than 2 million prescriptions without any significant complaints from Foundation or its more than 300,000 members. I'm proud of Longs'

people. Their performance has helped to build on our reputation of providing quality products and courteous service.''

''Testimony to our quality service is that Foundation has chosen to renew its contract with some of the pharmacies which were our partners in the statewide network. We urge Foundation members to check with these pharmacies to see if they are continuing as providers.''

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ST. JOSEPH, MO (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - St. Joseph Light & Power Co. Friday reported third quarter earnings of $1.09 cents per share of common stock.

This is 15 cents higher than the 94 cents per share the company reported in that quarter in 1989, Terry F. Steinbecker, president said.

The company had third quarter net income of $4.5 million on revenues of $22.7 million, compared to third quartrer 1989 net income of $4.1 million on revenues of $21.5 million.

Third quarter unit sales of electricity increased 7.2 percent from a year earlier, primarily the result of a warmer air conditioning season in 1990 than during 1989. This affected residential and commercial sales which increased 15.5 and 3.6 percent, respectively. Sales to industrial customers were stable.

Net income increased 9.8 percent, primarily as a result of the increase in revenues. Operating expenses, excluding taxes, increased from $14.3 million for the third quarter in 1989 to $14.9 million in 1990. This resulted primarily from increased fuel expenses caused by the higher sales.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company reported earnings of $1.95 per share, compared to 1989 earnings of $2 for the same period. Nine month revenues for 1990 totaled $60.5 million, compared to $59.7 million in 1989. Net income for the nine months was $8.1 million compared to $8.8 million in 1989.

The 1990 earnings per share amounts also were impacted by the compnay's stock repurchase program. The repurchase of 600,000 shares of common stock, authorized in January 1988, was completed in September 1990.

Light & Power has about 4.1 million shares of common stock outstanding.

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SAN FERNANDO, CA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Trio-Tech International (NASDAQ:TRTC) reported the following financial results for the year ended June 29, 1990:

Trio-Tech International
Summary of Earnings
(In thousands of dollars except per-share data)
(Audited)

	12 Months Ended June 29, 1990	12 Months Ended June 30, 1989
Net sales	$14,899	$16,005
Net loss	($ 2,428)	($ 2,510)
Loss per share	(89 cents)	(92 cents)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	2,728,350	2,728,350

Trio-Tech International
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(In thousands of dollars)
(Audited)

	June 29, 1990	June 30, 1989
Assets		
Cash	$ 1,917	$ 2,122
Receivables	2,899	3,211
Inventory	1,707	2,576
Prepaid expenses	217	179
Total current assets	6,740	8,088
Property, plant & equipment (net)	4,630	5,000
Other assets	954	1,504
Total assets	$12,324	$14,592
Liabilities and stockholders' equity		
Current liabilities	$ 8,187	$ 7,868
Long-term debt	449	1,005
Other liabilities	2,001	1,994
Stockholders' equity	1,687	3,725
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$12,324	$14,592

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - ORS Corp. (NASDAQ:ORSC), Friday announced that a shareholders' meeting of Electromagnetic Oil Recovery International, Inc. (EORI) was held on Sept. 19, 1990 for the purpose of electing its board of directors as well as forming a management committee.

EORI is a 55 percent owned subsidiary of ORS Corp. that manages the marketing, development and administration of the company's Electromagnetic enhanced oil recovery technology on behalf of joint ventures between ORS and EOR, Ltd.

The following persons were elected to serve as directors of EORI:

Robert B. Case, president -- ORS
E. R. Albert Jr. -- Albert Investment Co.
J. Khan, senior vice president -- finance and administration -- Canada Northwest Energy Limited
S.D. McGregor, president -- NUMAC Oil and Gas

The management committee was formed to direct the activities of the Canadian and U.S. joint ventures. In addition to the four individuals listed above, the seven-person committee is composed of:

Homer L. Spencer Jr., president -- EORI
Fred Wellhauser, president -- Canada Northwest Energy Limited
Ron Allen, vice president -- finance -- ORS

The committee will officially act as the directing board of the joint ventures. It will report directly to the directors of both ORS and EOR Ltd.

ORS also announced that on Oct. 15, 1990, Ron Allen submitted his resignation as financial vice president of ORS effective Dec. 1, 1990, and as senior vice president -- finance and administration of EORI effective Oct. 15, 1990. Allen plans to join a newly formed Canadian oil and gas exploration company.

Dale Booth, who is presently controller of EORI and ORS, will assume full responsibility as the financial officer of both companies.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxwell Laboratories Inc. (OTC:MXWL), of San Diego, has announced that it has been awarded a cost plus fixed fee contract valued at approximately $3 million by the Naval Sea Systems Command.

The contract was won competitively and is for the design and development of a mobile rechargeable Pulse Forming Network (PFN), which is capable of providing a wide range of repetitive electrical pulses to an electrothermal (ET) gun.

The PFN will be integrated with a moble turbine generator set (not part of this contract) and a government-developed control and data acquisition system prior to the integration of the PFN into the ET Gun System for demonstration of the ET gun.

The PFN will use high-energy density capacitors, also to be supplied by Maxwell, as the energy storage component. It is planned that the entire gun system will be used in a demonstration firing to be conducted at the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Dahlgren, Va., in December 1992.

San Diego-based Maxwell Laboratories Inc. designs, develops and manufactures pulse power equipment and performs research and computer- based analysis for defense, energy, industrial and environmental markets.

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PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Northwest Natural Gas Co. (OTC:NWNG) Friday reported that conversions of customers from oil to natural gas for space heating continue at a record level, contributing to substantial growth in the customer base and to third quarter operating results which kept pace with last year.

''Our strong residential and commercial sales reflect a rapid growth in customers from both new homes and conversions from heating oil and electricity '' said Robert L. Ridgley, president and chief executive officer. ''Northwest Natural Gas had more than 306,000 customers as of Sept. 30, 1990, up by 15,200 customers or 5.2 percent from last year. Our competitive position in these markets is enhanced because rates in these markets as we enter the 1990-91 heating season are lower than rates in place four years ago.''

The company reported a loss of 26 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990, the same as last year's third quarter results. A third quarter loss is customary for the company, reflecting low summertime use of natural gas.

Natural gas deliveries to residential and commercial customers for the year through September were 253 million therms, down only 2 percent from last

year's pace in spite of weather that has been 11 percent warmer than last year and 12 percent warmer than average.

Gas deliveries (sales and transportation) to industrial customers were 448 million therms for the first nine months, up from last year's 433 million therms.

''The company's deliveries to its industrial markets, which are not as sensitive to weather, reflect the continuing strength of the economy of the Pacific Northwest and the success of our special contracts in maintaining and building this load,'' Ridgley explained. Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $1.30 per share on net income available for common stock of $14,919,000. This result was down from $1.54 per share and $16,500,000 of net income available for common stock reported for the first nine months of 1989, a period highlighted by exceptionally cold weather and all-time record earnings in the first quarter.

Northwest Natural Gas has increased its quarterly common stock dividend to 42 cents per share from 41 cents per share effective with dividends to be paid on Nov. 15 to shareholders of record on Oct. 31, 1990.

Northwest Natural Gas Co.
Comparative Income Statement
(Consolidated - Unaudited)
(In Thousands)

	Three Months Ended		Increase
	9/30/90	9/30/89	(Decrease)
1.Total Operating Revenues (sales and deliveries of natural gas)	$37,285	$34,613	$ 2,672
2.Net Operating Revenues - Margin (operating revenues less cost of gas)	$25,765	$22,893	$2,872
3.Net Income	($2,316)	($2,020)	($296)
4.Earnings Applicable to Common Stock/a	($2,983)	($2,716)	($267)
5.Average Shares of Common Stock Outstanding	11,544	10,777	767
6.Earnings Per Share of Common Stock/a	($0.26)	($0.26)	$0.00
Note: Fully-Diluted	($0.23)	($0.22)	$0.00

	Nine Months Ended		Increase
	9/30/90	9/30/89	(Decrease)
1.Total Operating Revenues (sales and deliveries of natural gas)	$191,976	$181,221	$10,755
2.Net Operating Revenues - Margin (operating revenues less cost of gas)	$119,767	$110,652	$9,115
3.Net Income	$16,991	$18,615	($1,624)
4.Earnings Applicable			

to Common Stock/a	$14,919	$16,500	($1,581)
5.Average Shares of Common Stock Outstanding	11,500	10,726	774
6.Earnings Per Share of Common Stock/a	$1.30	$1.54	($0.24)
Note: Fully-Diluted	$1.28	$1.51	($0.23)

	Twelve Months Ended 9/30/90	9/30/89	Increase (Decrease)
1.Total Operating Revenues (sales and deliveries of natural gas)	$271,679	$259,050	$12,629
2.Net Operating Revenues - Margin (operating revenues less cost of gas)	$166,733	$151,632	$15,101
3.Net Income	$26,796	$27,003	($207)
4.Earnings Applicable to Common Stock/a	$24,025	$24,148	($123)
5.Average Shares of Common Stock Outstanding	11,379	10,700	679
6.Earnings Per Share of Common Stock/a	$2.11	$2.26	($0.15)

(a) After allowance for preferred and preference stock dividend requirements.

Note: Fully-Diluted	$2.07	$2.20	($0.1)

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PORTLAND, ORE. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Ernst G. Stoeckl, chairman and chief executive officer of Freightliner Corp., has been appointed chairman of the board of AEG, the second largest of DailmerBenz' subsidiaries.

Stoeckl's appointment was approved at the AEG board meeting today and will become effective Jan. 1, 1991. Stoeckl will succeed Heinz Duerr, present AEG chairman of the board, who has been requested to take over chairmanship of the German Railroad System at this exciting time of reunification. It is expected that Stoeckl will also be appointed to the worldwide board of management for DaimlerBenz shortly.

As AEG chairman, Stoeckl will be responsible for the overall management of AEG. AEG is a diversified company with a broad technological base in the areas of office and communication systems, microelectronics, automation and transportation systems. The company has annual sales in excess of $8 billion and has 77,000 employees worldwide with representation in 111 countries.

In the United States, AEG sales have increased considerably over the last five years since DaimlerBenz purchased AEG in 1985. AEG companies in the United States include a joint venture with Westinghouse to produce airport People Movers; ownership of AEG Olympia Office GmbH, which produces office equipment and communication systems; a partnership with Electrocom, one of the largest manufacturers of letter-sorting equipment for post offices; and other automation companies such as Modicon and Modcomp.

Stoeckl joined Freightliner in April 1988 as president and chief executive officer, and became chairman in 1990. Since then, the company's market share increased from 16.3 percent in 1988 to 19.4 percent year-to-date 1990. During that time, an unprecedented number of new products were developed and introduced, including a major breakthrough with the military for trucks for the U.S. Army.

Stoeckl led the development of a master plan for Freightliner comprising a product strategy and manufacturing strategy for the 1990s. The product strategy takes Freightliner from a heavy-duty manufacturer-only status to the design and manufacturing of a product range covering the entire medium-duty and heavy-duty segments. The new line of medium-duty products will be introduced in 1991.

Part of the master plan also comprises a manufacturing concept in the United States and Canada which included massive investments in its manufacturing facilities and parts distribution centers.

Freightliner Corp. produces and markets heavy-duty Freightliner trucks and Mercedes-Benz medium-duty trucks for North America. The company is a member of the Mercedes-Benz AG group.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Indoor Air Diagnostics Inc. is pleased to announce it is the exclusive distributor for Young Environmental Services (Y.E.S.) in Northern California.

Indoor Air Diagnostics (IAD) specializes in the indoor environment and is dedicated to maintaining clean, healthful air in office buildings and residences.

''The Y.E.S. products are a perfect fit with our high standards for the indoor environment,'' said Rick Hendrick, IAD Vice President of Operations. ''IAD plans to introduce the complete Y.E.S. line at the Northern California Energy

Exposition, October 23-25, at the Santa Clara County Exposition Hall. At this time the extensive array of Y.E.S. sensory devices which measure temperature, humidity, air pressure, and carbon dioxide can be viewed first hand.''

The innovative YES-201 will be showcased with the rest of the Y.E.S. line at the Expo. Compact and portable, this revolutionary microprocessor-based datalogger indicates the levels of carbon dioxide, temperature, and humidity within a building. The YES-201 detects air quality problems and downloads the information into a personal computer, making it possible to chart important air quality information over a period of time.

IAD, backed by its knowledge of environmental regulations and detection methods, is joined by the EPA, OSHA, and ASHRAE (American Society of Heating, Refrigeration, and Air Conditioning Engineers) in its concern with the indoor environment.

Indoor Air Diagnostics Inc. is located at 2245-C Fortune Drive, San Jose 95131. The telephone number is 408/954-9088 and the FAX number is 408/432-8992. Contact is Rick Hendrick, Vice President of Operations.

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SANTA ROSA, CA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - At the recent California Association of Realtors convention, American Home Shield (AHS) introduces a new, low-cost home warranty plan...Protection Plus II.

"In today's competitive real estate market, California's Real Estate Professionals can arrange for this 'marketing edge' to make their sellers' homes more attractive to buyers. Our new Protection Plus II Home Warranty Plan provides that important edge economically," according to AHS President and Chief Operating Officer Daniel J. Brinker.

According to Brinker, the new plan is priced at $225 for annual coverage, and protects more than twenty home systems and appliances. The Protection Plus II plan will repair or replace a home's water heater, its plumbing and electrical systems, and major built-in appliances, while pool/spa, ducted electrical air conditioning and heating systems are each protected up to $1,000 annually.

"When a covered item breaks down due to normal wear and tear," Brinker said, "the homeowner calls AHS toll-free, 24-hours a day, 7-days-a-week. AHS then contacts a licensed, insured Service Contractor from the caller's area who calls the homeowner to arrange a convenient time to repair or replace the covered item."

As the nation's oldest and largest provider of home warranty coverage, AHS continually offers new, enhanced products in response to the needs of its customers.

"At AHS, we're proud of the fact we listen and respond to the needs of Real Estate Professionals and homeowners. Because we listen, AHS is able to offer products and services that truly reflect their needs," Brinker said.

"This is one reason," Brinker concluded, "why AHS is the choice of Real Estate Professionals and homeowners by a two to one margin over the nation's next largest home warranty company." American Home Shield is a Partner in the ServiceMaster Quality Service Network.

ServiceMaster, with headquarters located near Chicago, in Downers Grove, Ill., is a leader in providing the services of professional cleaning, termite and pest control, maid service and lawn care to residential and commercial customers through its Consumer Services and Products segment.

These services are offered through a worldwide network of over 4,800 ServiceMaster, Terminix and Merry Maids company-owned and franchised branches - all Partners in the ServiceMaster Quality Service Network with AHS.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Fries Entertainment Inc. (ASE:FE) Friday announced operating results for the first quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

For the first quarter, revenues decreased to $5.05 million from $9,325,000 in the same period of the prior year. For the quarter, the company reported an operating loss of $2,636,000 plus income tax of $182,000, for a net loss of $2,818,000, or 58 cents per share. This can be compared with a net loss of $1,371,000, or 29 cents per share, in the first quarter of the prior year.

The domestic syndication sales and the two television movies to be delivered in the second quarter represent portions of a $17,972,000 backlog of unrecorded revenue as of Aug. 31, 1990. During the first fiscal quarter the backlog increased by $6,496,000.

For the second quarter the company anticipates revenues in excess of $11 million and a substantial reduction in net operating loss. In addition, the company is in pre-production on ''Mission of the Shark,'' a CBS television movie.

In the theatrical area the company will launch ''Under Surveillance'' and

''Covert Justice'' and has acquired all foreign and domestic television rights to ''Criminal Mind,'' and, in November, the domestic home video release of ''Night Angel'' is expected to set a record in video cassette sales for any Fries Home Video release.

During the first quarter the company completed the Spectrum II Facility in the amount of $15 million through which is financed the production and acquisition of home video, theatrical and television product and extended the payment date on the CLBN revolving credit facility to March 31, 1992.

Fries Entertainment develops, produces and distributes made-for-television movies, series and mini-series, as well as theatrical feature films and products for the home video market.

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DALLAS (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Capstead Mortgage Corp. (NYSE: CMO) announced Friday earnings of $7,201,000, or 58 cents per share (53 cents per fully diluted share), for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to $4,739,000, or 55 cents per share, for the same quarter in 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $21,818,000, or $1.75 per share ($1.60 per fully diluted share), as compared to $13,710,000, or $1.58 per share, for the same period in 1989.

On Sept. 28, 1990, a dividend of 57 cents per common share and 40 cents per share on the $1.60 cumulative preferred stock, Series A was distributed by the company to its stockholders. The company has qualified as a real estate investment trust by distributing at least 95 percent of its net income in the form of dividends to its stockholders.

The company also announced today the adoption of a Dividend Reinvestment Plan for all stockholders of the company. Enrollment cards for participation in the plan will be provided with the third quarter report to stockholders.

Capstead Mortgage Corp. invests in long-term, single-family residential mortgages for the purpose of offering investors the opportunity to participate in the income generated from the management of a portfolio of mortgage loans utilizing pooling and the issuance of collateralized mortgage obligations and other portfolio management strategies. It is managed by Capstead Advisers, a subsidiary of Lomas Mortgage USA.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Guy F. Atkinson Company of California (NASDAQ:ATKN) Friday announced the election of Jack J. Agresti as a director of the corporation.

With Agresti's election, the board now has eight members.

Agresti, 53, who was appointed executive vice president in April of 1990, has been with Atkinson for 31 years. In his capacity as executive vice president, Agresti has been sharing the duties of the office of the chief executive officer with Thomas J. Henderson, to which all of Atkinson's construction and diversified operations report. He will continue in this capacity.

Prior to his appointment as executive vice president, Agresti had for the prior five years been a Group Vice President -- Construction responsible for management of Atkinson's three industrial construction operating units and its industrial pipe distribution operation.

He began his career with Atkinson upon his graduation from San Jose State University in 1959 with a degree in Industrial Management. Agresti then worked in various positions within Atkinson's construction operations, culminating in 1978 when he was elected a vice president and later chief administrative officer.

Agresti is an executive committee member for the Construction Industry Institute and is on the board of directors of the Independent Colleges of Northern California. He and his wife, Colette, live in Portola Valley, Calif.

Guy F. Atkinson Company of California is a diversified corporation whose operations include construction, manufacturing, distribution of industrial pipe, and oil and gas exploration and development.

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JOPLIN, MO (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The Empire District Electric Co. announced Friday that it has filed a shelf registration statement on Form S-3 with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 415 registering

an additional 550,000 shares of the company's common stock.

The additional common stock will be sold in one or more offerings and the proceeds from any such sales will be used to repay short-term indebtedness incurred in connection with the company's construction program.

Empire supplies electric service to a 10,000 square-mile area in southwest Missouri, southeast Kansas, northeast Oklahoma and northwest Arkansas. The company also provides water service in three incorporated communities in Missouri.

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DALLAS (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Lomas & Nettleton Mortgage Investors (NYSE:LOM) Friday announced operations for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, resulted in a net loss of $275,467, or 2 cents per share, as compared to net income of $4,717,168, or 40 cents per share, reported for the same quarter last year.

Lomas & Nettleton Mortgage Investors is a real estate investment trust engaged in short-term real estate lending for the construction and development of projects throughout the United States. It is managed by Lomas Management.

The following is a summary of results of operations for the quarters ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively:

	Quarter Ended September 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$13,574,752	$29,066,087
Net income (loss)	$ (275,467)	$ 4,717,168
Earnings (loss) per share	(2 cents)	40 cents
Average shares outstanding	11,704,208	11,704,208

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EMERYVILLE, CA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Cetus Corp. (NASDAQ:CTUS) reported a net loss of $15,651,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $13,175,000 for the like quarter one year earlier.

Total revenues have increased by $4,886,000 from the year-earlier quarter, mainly on the strength of improving Proleukin interleukin-2 sales in Europe and increasing profitability of the company's joint venture. Included in the total increase of $5,951,000 in costs and expenses from period to period is approximately $2,350,000 in certain one-time costs relating to a reduction in workforce which was implemented late in the current quarter.

Hollings C. Renton, president and chief operating officer, said: ''We have implemented several significant cost cutting measures to reduce our operating losses while we work with FDA officials to move the Proleukin review forward in the United States. The most notable of these was a 13 percent reduction in our workforce completed this quarter.

''Our objectives are to control spending without compromising the fundamental capabilities of the company, seek strategic alliances with other companies and to increase revenues. We are pleased with the increasing sales of Proleukin in Europe, the increasing net revenue contribution from our joint ventures, and the expansion of our forensics, licensing and other retained commercial activities in our GeneAmp polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technology business.''

Improvement in all revenue categories led to the increased total revenues from the fiscal 1990 quarter. Revenues from product sales and royalties increased substantially based principally on sales of Proleukin in Europe.

The higher equity in unconsolidated joint ventures is the result of increasing sales of the DNA Thermal Cycler instrument and related PCR reagents by PECI, the company's joint venture with The Perkin-Elmer Corp., and sales of doxorubicin by CBVT, the company's generic chemotherapeutics joint venture with Ben Venue Laboratories Inc.

In addition, the absence of operating losses resulting from the company's interest in Agracetus, an agricultural joint venture which was sold in the second quarter of fiscal 1990, has also contributed to the net equity from joint ventures.

Costs and expenses (excluding the costs associated with the reduction in force) increased from the year-earlier quarter principally in marketing, general and administrative expenses and cost of goods sold, as a result of general inflationary trends, increasing Proleukin product sales in Europe and the introductions of additional PCR products in the United States.

The company anticipates that, as a result of the reduction in its workforce, operating costs and expenses in the next few quarters (excluding demand related impacts on costs of goods sold) should decline from the levels reported for the current quarter.

The increase in the weighted average number of shares outstanding is due

principally to the public sale of 2,990,000 shares of common stock in March 1990 and the purchase of common stock by employees pursuant to certain stock option and stock purchase plans.

Cetus Corp. applies the tools of biotechnology and the science of immunology to the development of novel pharmaceutical products. The company is also developing several commercial applications of its GeneAmp polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technology. Business collaborations with other firms are an important part of the company's strategy both in pharmaceuticals and in PCR.

Founded in 1971, Cetus is based in Emeryville, and also operates EuroCetus in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

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SAN GABRIEL, CA. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Clary Corp. (PSE) announces sales and other revenues of $3,954,000, for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $4,272,000, for the same period in 1989.

A net loss of $156,000, or 9 cents per share, is being reported for the quarter in 1990, compared with a net loss of $44,000, or 2 cents per share, in 1989.

Clary Corp.
Financial Highlights

	Three months ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Sales and other revenues	$3,954,000	$4,272,000
Net (loss)	$ (156,000)	$ (44,000)
Net (loss) per common share	(9 cents)	(2 cents)
Average number of shares	1,784,198	1,784,198

	Nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Sales and other revenues	$11,719,000	$12,439,000
Net (loss)	$ (291,000)	$ (32,000)
Net (loss) per common share	(16 cents)	(2 cents)
Average number of shares	1,784,198	1,784,198

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HOUSTON (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - American Exploration Co. (ASE:AX) Friday announced that 8,884,070 common shares have been approved for listing by the American Stock Exchange and are being delivered to former shareholders of Hershey Oil Corp.

On Aug. 29, the shareholders of American Exploration and Hershey Oil approved the acquisition of Hershey Oil by American. The shares delivered Friday and an aggregate cash payment of $8,053,000 constitute the merger consideration paid by American Exploration to Hershey Oil shareholders. With the issuance of these shares, American Exploration will have 38,146,463 common shares outstanding.

American Exploration also announced the appointment of Harry W. Colmery Jr., a former director of Hershey Oil, as a director of American. Mark Andrews, chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''Harry is an outstanding addition to our board. He has strong knowledge of the oil industry and has extensive experience and contacts in the financial community.'' Colmery is vice president of Capital Guardian Trust in Los Angeles.

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COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Duplication Technology of Boulder, Colo., has introduced the first DAT (Digital Audio Tape) data duplication system, the ECHO-4000 Tower, which uses Archive Python 5 1/4-inch DAT drives to duplicate up to eight 4mm tape cassettes simultaneously.

Used to provide a fast and cost-effective method of distributing data, the ECHO-4000 is just one example of the growing use of DAT technology in the computer industry.

Tape cartridges have historically been used for data backup, operating-system distribution and software updates by computer manufacturers.

However, according to Kenneth C. Campbell, president of Archive Corp.'s ARDAT subsidiary: ''The interest in data duplication utilizing DAT tapes indicates that DAT drives are gaining widespread market acceptance. We expect to see this trend continue to grow rapidly as more companies become familiar with the benefits of DAT.''

The benefits of DAT technology include a capacity of up to 2.0 gigabytes per tape, fast data-transfer rates, high-speed access to any file on tape, low

per-megabyte media cost and high reliability.

''We perceive the importance of the DAT technology for the future of software production and distribution to be very significant,'' stated Art Plitt, vice president of sales and marketing for Duplication Technology.

''The large storage capacity of DAT, along with its small size and low media cost, is creating a rapid movement in the 4mm direction. The light weight of the cassette is also important in reducing the shipping costs associated with data distribution.''

Since the Archive Python DAT drive was designed specifically for the computer environment, Duplication Technology has found it to be the only drive reliable enough to be used in its DDS duplication systems. ''The Archive Python drive will be very important in this movement because it was designed specifically as a computer-grade product,'' continued Plitt.

''The heavy use that a tape drive receives in this application precludes the reliable use of a converted audio-type mechanism. In addition, the Archive Python drive adheres to the standard DDS (Digital Data Storage) format, and makes it easy for our customers to interchange tapes between various DAT manufacturers' drives.''

The ECHO-4000 is packaged in a ''tower'' cabinet which allows simultaneous duplication of from two to eight DAT cassettes; additional cabinets allow up to 12 copies to be made at one time. A separate keyboard, monitor and easy-to-use menu-driven software simplifies the duplication process.

A disk drive and a master storage option are also available so the user can copy from disk to tape or from tape to tape. Pricing for the ECHO-4000 ranges from $24,200 for the two-drive configuration to $60,800 for the eight-drive configuration.

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REDONDO BEACH, CA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - TRW's Space & Defense Sector has named 19 of its top scientists and engineers to be Technical Fellows in a new program designed to foster, recognize and reward technical innovation and achievement, E. D. Dunford, executive vice president of TRW Inc. and general manager of the Space & Defense Sector, said Friday.

''These individuals represent the company's highest calibre of scientific, technical and systems engineering talent,'' said Dunford.

As Technical Fellows, he noted, they will be given resources and encouraged to focus on technical pursuits of mutual interest to TRW and to themselves; they will also serve as technical advisors to TRW in such diverse areas as strategic planning, proposal development, independent research activities, and principal investigator responsibilities.

The Technical Fellows were selected on the basis of demonstrated technical and professional leadership in their fields and potential for continued innovative contribution.

The 19 Technical Fellows and their main contributions are:

John E. Anderson, Ph.D. in aerospace engineering and applied mathematics from Iowa State University, for his contributions to real-time processing algorithms.

Frank C. Belz, M.S. in computer science from Purdue University, who has been a leader in the implementation of the Ada programming language, now the Department of Defense standard for computer software.

John J. Berenz, Ph.D. in electrical engineering from Cornell University, who is the acknowledged technical leader of TRW's gallium arsenide technology effort. He was also instrumental in the development of High Electron Mobility Transistors (HEMT).

Dan Botez, Ph.D. in electrical engineering from the University of California at Berkeley, who led the team that developed coherent-power diode-laser arrays opening the way for space laser communications.

Donald L. Bullock, Ph.D. in physics from UCLA, who developed a new theory of coupled optical resonators and other developments that have been key to the company's SDI-related programs.

C.C. Chen, Ph.D. in electrical engineering from the University of Michigan, who is widely known for his pioneering work in multi-beam antenna design.

Joseph M. Denney, Ph.D. in engineering science and physics, magna cum laude, from California Institute of Technology, for a wide range of work in solid-state physics, radiation effects and signal processing.

Ray Franks, B.S. in electrical engineering from Rice University, who is widely recognized for his work in radio frequency direction finding systems.

George L. Hedin, Ph.D. in electrical engineering from the University of Minnesota, who is responsible for innovations in space communications systems.

Lee O. Heflinger, Ph.D. in mathematics from the University of California, who was a member of a three-person team that made the original discovery of holographic interferometry. He was also recognized for his earlier contributions solving critical technical problems on the Mars Viking Biology Lander.

Laura B. Hull, B.S. in education from Arizona State College, for her work as architect, designer and developer of large, complex computer-based systems.

Richard M. Kurland, M.S. in engineering from UCLA, who is a leader in advanced solar array development and an expert in spacecraft subsystem survivability.

George W. Mc Iver, M.S. in physics from Rutgers University, who is recognized as a technical leader and inventor in microelectronics digital design and a wide range of related advanced electronics technologies.

Timothy M. Rynne, Ph.D. in physics from the Illinois Institute of Technology, who is known as a national expert in high currents, intense magnetic fields and pulse power.

Larry R. Tittle, M.S. in electrical engineering from the University of Southern California, who specializes in radio frequency system design for satellite communications.

R. Brooks Van Horn, Jr., Ph.D. in mathematics from Louisiana Tech University, who is a leader in command, control and communications for battle management and designer of the allocation and assessment model for the Department of Defense Worldwide Military Command and Control System.

Jane J. Yang, Ph.D. in electrical engineering from UCLA, who has been responsible for overall diode laser development at TRW.

Kwang-I Yu, Ph.D. in computer science from the California Institute of Technology, who is the inventor of the Fast Data Finder system, a world-class text search system, and who served as the founder and first manager of the TRW Coyote Works, a center for multidisciplinary innovation.

Henry C. Yuen, Ph.D. in applied mathematics form the California Institute of Technology, for his internationally recognized work in ocean waves and his contributions in TRW to non-acoustic anti-submarine warfare programs.

The Space & Defense Sector of TRW provides advanced technology products and services in space, electronics, and software and computer-based systems for Department of Defense, other government agencies, prime contractors and international customers. Of its 27,000 employees, more than 11,000 are scientists and engineers. TRW is a diversified company based in Cleveland.

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IRVINE, Calif. (OCT 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Lasarray Corp., known throughout the electronics industry for the first quick-turnaround, transportable ASIC design and fabrication system, Friday announced negotiations with a consortium of investors led by Vice President of Marketing Jon Hopper have ended.

As a result, Hopper has resigned.

According to Lasarray Board Chairman Ernst Uhlmann: ''We believe the dramatic increase in Lasarray's profits last year as well as the significant inroads we've made into both the commercial and military markets is due to our current marketing strategy.

''We currently accommodate companies just moving into the ASIC market as well as larger companies already involved in ASIC production. We believe a radical shift in direction at this time would be detrimental to the company's future success. Consequently, Jon Hopper's offer was unacceptable.''

The Lasarray System includes ASICcad software and the ASICfab, a 750-square-foot IC factory housed in three transportable modules, which may be purchased by electronics designers for internal use. The company also maintains a quick-turnaround facility in Irvine that offers ASIC designers an opportunity to utilize Lasarray's design assistance and the ASICfab for rapid production of ASIC chips.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA - (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Computer Systems (NASDAQ:ASKI) Friday announced that the Delaware Chancery Court confirmed its prior decision not to block ASK's proposed stock sale to EDS Corp., and Hewlett-Packard Co.

Proceeds from this transaction are necessary to complete ASK's proposed acquisition of Ingres Corp. (NASDAQ:RELY).

Plaintiff's actions to appeal the decision have also been denied.

ASK stated that it is continuing negotiation of a definitive agreement for bank financing, completion of which is a condition to closing its offer to purchase the outstanding shares of Ingres at $9.25.

As of late afternoon, Oct. 19, 1990, a total of 10,754,255 Ingres shares, or approximately 93 percent of the outstanding shares, had been tendered. This number exceeds the minimum tender condition of the offer.

ASK stated that it will make an announcement prior to the opening of the stock market on Monday, Oct. 22, 1990, whether it will extend the offer or accept for payment all Ingres shares tendered for purchase prior to the expiration date. The tender is scheduled to expire today at midnight, New York City time.

ASK Computer Systems is a leader in enterprise-wide information systems. There are 3,200 ASK customer sites worldwide. ASK completed its fiscal year in June with revenue of $207 million.

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RENO, NV (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - International Game Technology (OTC:IGAM) reported that the anticipated losses announced Friday at 45-percent-owned Electronic Data Technology will have an adverse effect on IGT's fourth quarter results.

While the exact size of EDT's losses is not presently known, IGT nonetheless currently anticipates that its fourth quarter and full year results will be within the range of most analysts' current estimates.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Radius Inc. (NASDAQ, NMS:RDUS) Thursday announced record revenue of $110,601,000 and net income of $6,242,000 or 53 cents per share for its 1990 fiscal year ended Sept. 30.

For its fourth quarter, net income rose 17 percent to $2,043,000, or 16 cents per share, from $1,752,000, or 15 cents per share, a year earlier. Revenue rose 36 percent to $31,391,000 from $23,054,000. For its full fiscal year net income rose 2 percent to $6,242,000, or 53 cents per share from $6,119,000, or 56 cents per share.

Revenue rose 35 percent to $110,601,000 from $81,953,000. In August, Radius Inc. completed its initial public offering of 2 million shares of common stock.

Radius Inc. designs, manufactures and markets high performance visual computing systems that enable personal computers to perform graphics intensive applications. Radius pioneered the development of high performance visual computing systems for the Apple Macintosh and is today the leading independent supplier of high resolution display systems for the Macintosh.

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MONROVIA, CA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Vision Sciences Inc. (NASDAQ:LENZ) announced Friday that its common stock, units and Class A warrants will continue to be included for quotation in the National Association of Securities Dealer's Automated Quotations System (NASDAQ) via an exception from the capital and surplus requirements.

While the company failed to meet this requirement as of June 30, 1990, the NASD has granted a temporary exception from this standard subject to the company meeting certain conditions. While the company believes that it can meet these conditions through its proposed rights offering and its debenture financing with venture capital funds, there can be no assurance that it will do so.

If at some future date the company's securities should cease to be quoted on the NASDAQ System, they shall continue to be quoted in the over-the-counter market, however, will be subject to a Securities and Exchange Commission (the ''Commission'') rule that imposes additional sales practice requirements on broker-dealers. For the duration of the exception the company's NASDAQ symbol will be LENZC.

The company also announced that Oct. 29, 1990, has been set as the record date for the company's common stockholders and holders of outstanding Class A and Class B warrants to participate in the company's rights offering. The company will provide further information concerning the rights offering upon the effectiveness of the registration statement with the Commission.

Vision Sciences is the recognized leader in the manufacture of office-based spectacle lens casting equipment. In-office lens casting provides eyecare professionals with the latest technology available in the production of quality yet inexpensive spectacle lenses.

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REDMOND, WA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Providing the perfect prescription for fun, Nintendo of America Inc. has launched a ''cure for the holiday blues'' in the form of the vitamin-tossing, foot-tapping ''Dr. Mario.''

Diagnosed as fast-paced and infectiously competitive, this latest two-player software title will be available nationwide for both the Nintendo Entertainment System and Game Boy on Nov. 5.

'''Dr. Mario' combines all the qualities our players look for in a great game '' said Howard Phillips, Nintendo's official 'Fun Master.' ''Not only is it imaginative and highly challenging, but it has that universally appealing element of fun that makes it irresistible to both adults and children.''

As the central character of the ''Super Mario Bros.'' game series, Mario already has a place in 31 million U.S. households. In his new role as doctor, the ever-popular Mario will be making ''house calls,'' supplying flying vitamins for players to use as an antidote against a swarm of pulsating viruses.

In ''Dr. Mario,'' players of the NES version have two options: competition against the computer or the two-player mode in which players compete head-to-head, with split screen action.

The triumphs of one player can be the downfall of the other, as excess vitamins contaminate the opponent's screen. The speed and difficulty of the game can also be varied, with players selecting levels appropriate to their skill. And, for portable patient-to-patient play, the Game Boy version allows for two-player medical battles via Game Link.

Nintendo predicts ''Dr. Mario'' will be one of the hottest games for the holiday season, with sales projections of 2.5 million units by year end, with less than two months on retail shelves.

''Since over one third of our players are 18 years of age and older, we expect this game to be on the Christmas wish lists of young and old alike,'' commented Phillips. '''Dr. Mario' virtually guarantees fun and that will earn it a permanent place in homes, offices and briefcases nationwide.''

Nintendo of America sells personal, home and arcade video games in the United States. The Redmond-based company is the headquarters for the company's marketing operations in North America and is a subsidiary of the world's largest manufacturer and marketer of video games, Nintendo Co. Ltd.

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MENLO PARK, Calif. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Cisco Systems Inc., a manufacturer of internetworking computer systems, Friday stated that its first fiscal quarter results for the period ended Oct. 28 would be higher than analysts' expectations.

Net revenue, income and earnings per share are expected to exceed $30 million, $7 million and 44 cents respectively. This compares to revenues of $14,082,000, net income of $2,519,000, or 20 cents per share, in the prior year's like quarter and to revenues of $21,783,000, net income of $4,630,000, or 30 cents per share, in the immediately preceding quarter ended July 29.

''The company's first quarter revenue growth has been fueled by growing demand for the company's internetworking products. Our factory has been able to increase production through overtime and a recently added second shift. While operating expenses have grown during the quarter, they have been outpaced by revenue growth and operating margins have expanded. We remain optimistic about the internetworking industry's growth prospects,'' said John Morgridge, cisco's president and chief executive officer.

cisco Systems Inc. is a leading supplier of high-performance, multi-media and multi-protocol routers, bridges and terminal servers.

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VANCOUVER, British Columbia (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - CLEARLY CANADIAN BEVERAGE CORPORATION (NASDAQ Symbol: CLCF; VSE Symbol: CLV) Friday announced results for the fourth quarter and year ended June 30, 1990.

The Company also stated that it anticipates a substantial net profit for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended September 30, 1990. Sales for the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990 increased 116% to US $6,824,725 (Cdn. $8,016,707) compared to US $3,152,935 (Cdn. $3,780,765) reported in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, the Company reported net income of US $21,957 (Cdn. $24,228), or US $0.00 (Cdn. $0.00) per share. For the comparable quarter of fiscal 1989, the Company reported a net loss of US $1,058,041 (Cdn. $1,266,095), or US $0.17 (Cdn. $0.21) per share.

Per share results for the fourth quarters ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 have been adjusted to reflect a 1 for 3.5 reverse stock split effected in May 1990.

For the year ended June 30, 1990, sales increased 150% to US $17,372,812 (Cdn. $20,373,885) compared to US $6,947,335 (Cdn. $8,315,182) reported in fiscal 1989.

The Company reported a net loss of US $1,208,243 (Cdn. $1,416,962) or US $0.13 (Cdn. $0.16) per share, for fiscal 1990. In fiscal 1989, the Company reported a net loss of US $917,791 (Cdn. $1,098,493), or US $0.15 (Cdn. $0.18) per share, which includes a US $1.4 million (Cdn. $1.6 million) extraordinary gain from the sale of distribution rights. Per share results for the fiscal years ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 have been adjusted to reflect a 1 for 3.5 reverse stock split effected in May 1990.

The Company stated that in prior years it capitalized deferred acquisition and development costs and excess of cost over book equity of subsidiaries at date of acquisition and amortized these costs over a three to twenty year period. During fiscal 1990, the Company changed its accounting policies to expense these costs against income as they are incurred.

Comparative results for fiscal 1989 have been restated to reflect these changes, causing the net loss for fiscal 1989 to increase by US $500,166 (Cdn. $ 586,587).

Douglas L. Mason, President of CLEARLY CANADIAN BEVERAGE CORPORATION, stated, ''Fiscal 1990 was a year of significant achievement for the Company. Our record revenues for the year are due to significantly increased brand awareness and expanded distribution into 17 additional states, as well as Japan. Although the costs for this expansion were considerable, we firmly believe that these expenditures have provided CLEARLY CANADIAN with a strong foundation from which we can achieve our fiscal 1991 goals of complete U.S. distribution as well as European market penetration.''

Commenting on the outlook for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, Mason added, ''During the first three months of fiscal 1991, demand for our product remained strong, attributable to increased consumer acceptance of the product in both established and new territories. As a result, we expect to report a net profit for the quarter ended September 30, 1990.''

CLEARLY CANADIAN BEVERAGE CORPORATION produces and markets ''Clearly CanadianTM'', a line of natural and flavored sparkling mineral waters. Through distribution agreements, ''Clearly CanadianTM'' is sold in 30 states, all of Canada, Japan and England.

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MENLO PARK, CALIF. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Zycad Corp. (OTC:ZCAD) Friday reported a profit of $174,000, or 1 cent per share, on revenues of $7,964,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the comparable period ended Sept. 30, 1989, the net loss was $430,000, or 3 cents per share, on revenues of $7,551,000.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the net loss amounted to $18,498,000, or $1.22 per share, on revenues of $22,167,000, compared with net income of $74,000, or 3 cents per share, on revenues of $23,713,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

The accumulative 1990 loss includes restructuring charges of $10,528,000 or 70 cents per share accounted for in the second quarter.

The $174,000 net income for the 1990 third quarter included operating income of $208,000, a $942,000 improvement over the comparable period in 1989. Operating income was reduced by certain foreign currency exchange losses.

Phillips W. Smith, president and chief executive officer who joined Zycad in June 1990, stated: ''The return to profitability is a result of the restructuring and spending reduction actions taken in the second quarter. Expenditures are now better aligned to match revenue expectations.

''We are very pleased with the company's progress over the past three months, and remain optimistic about the prospects for the future. The marketplace has shown a great deal of interest in our recently introduced XP family of accelerators. Production units of the XP product line became available in September, and shipments will begin in the fourth quarter,'' continued Smith.

In addition, Zycad formalized a new division, Protocol, to focus efforts on the federal government and the complex 'high-end' system design market. ''The company has completed the management team and made the necessary organizational changes to position the company for success and sustained profitability,'' added Smith.

Sale of System VHDL to Synopsys

Zycad announced that the sale of the company's System VHDL simulation business to Synopsys Inc. of Mountain View has been completed in escrow, pending the transfer of the assets. The terms of the agreement included $5 million in cash, an undisclosed amount in Synopsys securities, and royalties on future System VHDL sales.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Materials Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:AMAT) announced that because of two separate customer shipment delays identified this week, current quarter revenue and earnings would fall short of expectations for the period which ends Oct. 28, 1990. In one case, a Japanese customer's facility is behind schedule and hence shipment of a multiple system order will not occur in time to recognize revenue for the quarter. In the other case, customization of a European customer's systems could not be completed in time for quarter-end shipment. As a result of these delays, revenue for the quarter is expected to be between $133 million and $137 million with earnings per share of between 13 cents and 17 cents.

''We are disappointed that these events occurred so late in the fiscal quarter that we were unable to respond with actions that would have permitted us to achieve our goals,'' said James C. Morgan, chairman and chief executive officer. ''However, we remain committed to being responsive to our customers' requirements.''

The company also stated that orders should be approximately $150 million for the quarter, slightly below prior expectations. Applied Materials has noted recent signs of softening in order activity as some customers are delaying investment decisions due to economic uncertainties.

Applied Materials Inc. is a global growth company and the leading independent producer of wafer fabrication systems for the worldwide semiconductor industry. It is a market leader in chemical vapor deposition (CVD), dry plasma etching and silicon deposition. The company is also a leading manufacturer of ion implantation and physical vapor deposition market (PVD) systems. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''AMAT.''

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PORTLAND, MAINE (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The One Bancorp (NASDAQ-TONE), announced Friday the successful completion of its offer to purchase any and all of its $36.8 million outstanding principal balance of 7 1/2 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2011.

As of Oct. 18, $26.8 million, representing 72.8 percent of the outstanding principal amount had been tendered and accepted for payment.

The payment in exchange for the convertible subordinated debentures will be promptly transmitted to the former debentureholders who participated in the offer.

The One Bancorp is a $2.2-billion, Maine-based bank holding company with FDIC-insured banking subsidiaries in Maine, Connecticut and Massachusetts.

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COSTA MESA, CALIF. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Archive Corp. (NASDAQ:ACHV), a leading manufacturer of tape drive products, Friday said it expects record revenue based on preliminary unaudited financial results for its 1990 fiscal year ended Sept. 28, 1990.

Final audited results are subject to year-end audit and will be reported in mid-November.

Revenue for fiscal 1990 is estimated to rise more than 60 percent to approximately $295 million as compared to $181.4 million in fiscal 1989.

Net income for the year is estimated to be between $11.3 and $11.9 million, or 84 cents and 88 cents per share, compared to $15.3 million, or $1.15 per share earned during the 1989 fiscal year.

Archive's financial results include the acquisition of Cipher Data Products in April 1990. Revenue and earnings are within expectations of estimates made during fiscal 1990 by several research analysts who follow the company.

''We attribute the anticipated record revenue for fiscal 1990 to the acquisition of Cipher Data Products, the continuing demand for 1/4-inch streaming cartridge tape drives and controllers in the OEM markets, and the company's growth in the reseller market,'' said D. Howard Lewis, Archive chairman, president and CEO.

The acquisition this past April of Cipher Data Products, which includes Irwin Magnetic Systems and Optimem, accounted for approximately 30 percent of the company's fiscal 1990 revenue and positions the company as the world's largest independent supplier of tape backup products to original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) and to the reseller marketplace.

Founded in 1980, Archive Corp. today is a leading manufacturer and supplier of data storage products to original equipment manufacturers and resellers. Archive and its companies offer a complete selection of drives and subsystems for economical computer data storage for minicomputers, workstations, multi-user sytesms and personal computers.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Hallwood Industries Incorporated (NASDAQ:HWDI) operator of automotive parts distributor Steel City Products, Friday announced the signing by its subsidiary A & B Acquisition Corp. of a letter of intent with A & B Auto Supply, Inc. (''A & B'') for the acquisition of the assets and assumption of most liabilities of A & B, which is based in Albany, N.Y.

Definitive agreements reflecting the acquisition are expected to be completed shortly, with a contemplated effective date before October 31, 1990.

The letter of intent provides for an acquisition price equal to the book value of the net assets being acquired, which are principally inventory and accounts receivable, less the assumed liabilities to suppliers and a small bank loan. The price, which is subject to reduction to reflect the collectibility of certain receivables, is to be paid in three annual installments, the first of which in the amount of approximately $100,000, will be payable upon closing.

Bernard Frank, chairman of the Steel City Division, noted that A & B, founded in 1948, has a long and respected reputation in the automotive parts distribution business. ''In recent years,'' Frank said, ''cash constraints have adversely affected A & B's performance. With Steel City's financial resources, A & B's business can once again grow, and this acquisition will enable Steel City to pursue new opportunities in the New York and New England markets.''

Revenues of A & B are currently running at an annual level of about $5 million. Steel City will continue to operate the Albany warehouse currently occupied by A & B, and Mark Herskowitz, President of A & B, will be retained under a long-term contract as President of Steel City's Albany-based operations.

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PLUMSTEADVILLE, PA. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Global Environmental Corp. (NASDAQ:GLEN), a full service environmental control and bulk solids handling company, announced Friday that it has been awarded two contracts totaling $1.6 million.

Global's Rage subsidiary received an order to engineer, manufacture, and install a totally automated bulk solids conveying system handling plastic pellets for a major plastic manufacturer located in Houston, Texas. The value of the contract is approximately $1 million and is expected to be completed within the next 9 months.

Global's Danzer subsidiary reported a new contract totaling approximately $600,000 to engineer, manufacture, and install an air pollution control system for a major aluminum company located in Virginia. The project is expected to be completed within 6 months.

Global Environmental Corp., headquartered in Plumsteadville, Pa., provides engineering, manufacturing, installation and testing of environmental systems, including conveying systems for industrial plants. The company has three wholly owned subsidiaries: Danzer Metal Works, Hagerstown, Md., Texcon, Inc., an engineering firm located in Greenville, S.C.; and Rage Inc., a pneumatic conveying company located in Plumsteadville, Pa.

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KENOSHA, WI (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - In a move designed to provide its U.S. dealer network with ''better support in a tough competitive marketplace,'' Snap-on Tools Corp. Friday announced plans to convert to a franchise operation beginning in 1991.

Marion F. Gregory, chairman and chief executive officer, said Snap-on's dealers and the company would gain significant advantages by adopting a franchise system, noting that Snap-on will be the first tool company to convert to a franchise operation.

Gregory added that an increasing number of manufacturers have adopted franchise systems.

The planned franchise status will allow Snap-on to offer new programs and services requested by dealers, and will also permit the company to institute and maintain proven and successful marketing programs aimed at supporting dealer sales efforts, Gregory said.

''We'll have more flexibility in helping our dealers meet the demands of a competitive marketplace,'' he added.

''Quite simply, we believe a franchise operation will benefit both our dealers and the company,'' he said. ''And, since dealers are the lifeblood of this company, we think they will quickly recognize the benefits of such an arrangement.''

Current plans call for all new Snap-on dealers signed after Jan. 1, 1991 to become franchisees. Existing Snap-on dealers will be given the choice of converting sometime later in 1991.

''The establishment and operation of the franchise operation is not expected to have a material impact on the company's costs of doing business,'' Gregory said. He also pointed out that future franchise license and fee income are not expected to have a material effect on Snap-on revenues and profits.

Snap-on said it will file documents in those states requiring franchise operations to register. The registrations are expected to be completed on or about Jan. 1, 1991, when Snap-on will begin enrolling new dealers as franchisees.

Snap-on Tools Corp. (NYSE:SNA) is a leading producer and distributor of quality hand and power tools, diagnostic equipment, and storage units for professional mechanics and industry. Dealers outside of the United States are not affected by the franchise conversion, nor are Snap-on industrial sales and technical representatives, who will remain employees.

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VAN NUYS, CALIF (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Martin S. Blinder, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Martin Lawrence Limited Editions Inc. (NYSE:MLE), Friday announced the company's revenues and earnings for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Total revenues for the third quarter were $12,420,000, compared with $12,396,000, for the same period a year earlier.

Net income was $863,000, or 12 cents per share, on 7,346,000 weighted average shares outstanding, compared with net income of $1,987,000, or 23 cents per share, on 8,628,000 weighted average shares outstanding for the comparable period last year.

Total revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $37,385,000, compared with $35,594,000, a year earlier.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30 was $3,374,000, or 42 cents per share, on 8,109,000 weighted average shares outstanding, compared with net income of $5,547,000, or 69 cents per share, on 8,089,000 weighted average shares outstanding, for the comparable period last year.

Retail sales accounted for 51 percent of the company's net sales during the third quarter, compared with 56 percent in the same period last year.

Retail sales on a same-store basis (26 stores) during the third quarter decreased 37 percent, compared with the same period in 1989. Third Quarter 1990 Results vs. Second Quarter 1990

Total revenues for the third quarter were $12,420,000, compared with revenues of $11,326,000, in the second quarter.

Net income was $863,000, or 12 cents per share, on 7,346,000 weighted average shares outstanding, in the third quarter, compared with net income of $506,000 or 6 cents per share, on 8,488,000 weighted average shares outstanding in the second quarter.

Martin Lawrence Limited Editions is an integrated publisher, retailer and wholesaler of limited-edition serigraphs, lithographs, sculpture and other works of fine art created by internationally renowned and emerging artists.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The Foothill Group Inc. (NYSE:FGI) Friday reported net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $1,824,000, or 19 cents per share, compared with net income of $1,823,000, or 17 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Total revenues for the third quarter were $22,808,000, compared with

$23,283,000 for the same quarter last year.

For the nine-month period, Foothill reported a net loss of $47,000, while net income for the same period in 1989 was $8,474,000.

''Our core earnings, particularly at our Football Capital subsidiary, remain strong, and we've seen continued strong loan demand during 1990,'' sid Don L. Gevirtz, chairman and chief executive officer.

On Oct. 17, Foothill announced that its Foothill Partners L.P. had successfully raised $100 million in commitments to invest in bank debt of distressed companies.

The new Foothill fund will target investments in performing and non-performing senior loans of distressed and bankrupt companies, while avoiding subordinated debt or high-yield junk bonds.

Through its bank debt purchases, Foothill will attempt to influence reorganizational outcomes of the targeted companies. The Foothill Group Inc. will serve as the corporate general partner for the Fund. It will receive a management fee equal to 2 percent per annum of total commitments and has the potential to earn additional profits if certain hurdle rates of return are met.

The Foothill Group Inc. specializes in providing innovative financial services through its three highly specialized, yet complementary, operating units.

Foothill Capital offers asset-based financing tailored to businesses whose credit needs require more unique, sophisticated types of loan programs. Foothill Thrift and Loan specializes in secured commercial and industrial lending in California. The Capital Markets Division focuses on asset-management activities, arbitrage trading and investing in companies in reorganization.

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MARLBOROUGH, Mass. (OCT. 19) BUSINESSWIRE - Sequoia Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: SEQS), a producer of fault-tolerant computers used in the high-performance on line transaction processing market, today reported record sales and earnings for the first quarter ended October 1, 1990.

Revenues for the three month period reached $13,038,000 million, a level

equivalent to total annual sales in the Company's full 1988 fiscal year and a 55 percent increase from the $8,407,000 recorded in the comparable fiscal 1990 period.

The Company said that net income more than doubled to $1,030,000, or $0.11 per share, from $342,000, or $0.05 per share, in the last year's first quarter when 46 percent less shares were outstanding.

Sequoia, founded in 1981, completed its initial public offering on March 13, 1990.

Gabriel P. Fusco, chairman, chief executive officer and president, pointed out that first quarter gains over the prior year were in line with Sequoia's expectations. ''Market enthusiasm for the Company's systems continues despite the troubled economic climate,'' he reported.

''While economists and other observers may worry about continued demand for big ticket, capital goods in this environment, the productivity enhancement and expandability associated with our computer systems are particularly appealing in uncertain times,'' Fusco said.

He acknowledged that ''prospective customers are negotiating aggressively,'' but emphasized that the competitive features of Sequoia products result in ''compelling price/performance.''

''The ability to both meet today's processing needs and to expand are key business objectives for companies in a variety of industries,'' Fusco pointed out.

''Although we have not yet seen any direct impact on sales from a slow down in the economy, we continue to control expenses to ensure that they don't run ahead of our revenues,'' he added. ''In the recent quarter, Sequoia replaced a competitor's system after very careful benchmarking by the customer of the two systems' respective performance,'' he reported. It was a Pick-based Sequoia system that supplanted the competitive system. Actual production work was achieved ten days after installation.

Fusco said this installation was made by Sequoia's direct sales force, rather than by one of the Company's strategic partners.

This contributed to increased gross margins in the period. However, he pointed out that increased direct sales may or may not be a consistent trend.

In addition to its own direct sales force, Sequoia has strategic partnerships with Hewlett-Packard, Raytheon, The Ultimate Corp. and Samsung Electronics, each of which has the right to market Sequoia's systems to specified customer groups. Sales by these partners accounted for approximately 56 percent of the total in the first quarter. Fusco also noted that UNIX-based Sequoia product

accounted for a higher percentage of sales than in the past.

To enhance the attractiveness and utility of its systems, Sequoia has been developing marketing alliances with leading third-party relational database management systems vendors. During the first quarter, the Company demonstrated Oracle software on the Sequoia system at the recent annual Oracle Users Meeting in Anaheim.

Sequoia Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: SEQS) designs, manufactures and markets fault-tolerant computer systems to serve on line transaction processing (OLTP) needs. Sequoia's system have an open architecture adhering to industry standards and a UNIX-based operating system.

The Company also offers the Pick Open Architecture operating system and provides on-line services and maintenance support to its worldwide customer base. Major customers include manufacturers, distributors, banks and financial institutions, insurance companies, telecommunications operations, and federal agencies. Sequoia has shipped over 130 systems to 100 customers in the U.S. and nine other countries.

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NASHUA, N.H. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Ekco Group Inc. (NYSE:EKO) Friday announced that the Trust of the company's Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) which owns approximately 1.8 million shares of Ekco Group preferred stock, will purchase up to one million shares of the company's common stock either in the open market, in negotiated transactions, or from the company's treasury.

Purchases will be financed by a 20-year installment loan from the company or a loan guaranteed by the company.

Ekco Group President Robert Stein said, ''Our Employee Stock Ownership Plan makes the company a more competitive employer. For most of our employees, the ESOP is the primary retirement plan to which the company contributes, and this expansion will enable our employees to have more of a vested interest in the success of their company.''

Ekco Group Inc. manufactures and markets a variety of consumer products which it broadly markets through leading retail outlets, including a range of household and recreational products carrying the ''Ekco,'' ''Baker's Secret,'' ''Best Results,'' ''Victor,'' ''Woodstream'' and ''Havahart'' brand names.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Olin Corp. Friday reported third quarter primary earnings of 65 cents per share, compared with $1.15 in the third quarter of 1989.

Net income was $15 million, compared with $24 million a year ago. Sales for the quarter just ended were $656 million, up 13 percent from last year.

For the nine months of 1990, primary earnings were $3.66 a share, compared with $4.52 for the same period last year.

Chemicals net income of $7 million was off sharply from $19 million for the prior year period as a result of performance declines in the electrochemicals, urethanes, pool chemicals and electronic materials businesses.

These conditions are expected to continue in the fourth quarter. Furthermore, increased selling prices are not expected to offset increased costs.

Metals net income at $5 million was up 66 percent from last year's $3 million level, due to the strong contribution of the Indiana brass mill, which helped offset some softness in the remainder of the business. Earnings in the third quarter were lower last year due to a strike, which curtailed production, at that facility.

Defense net income for the quarter was $10 million, compared with $8 million last year, due to improved performance in ordnance and aerospace.

Increased profitability from defense ammunition sales offset increased raw material costs for lead and copper in the Winchester sporting ammunition segment.

Shipments of large caliber military ammunition are expected to boost earnings in this segment for the remainder of the year, well above third quarter levels.

As announced yesterday, Olin and Ciba-Geigy A.G. are discussing the establishment of a strategic alliance in the microelectronics field and have made the appropriate filings required under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act.

Proceeds that Olin would receive from the formation of the alliance are expected to be used for general corporate purposes, including reduction of debt.

During the quarter, the company purchased 101,300 shares of its common stock as part of a previously announced program to repurchase about 2 percent of its common stock. At the end of the third quarter there were approximately 19 million shares of Olin common stock outstanding.

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NEEDHAM, Mass. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Cognex Corp. (NASDAQ:CGNX) Friday announced net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $1,765,104 or $0.40 per share, a 41 percent increase from last year's results of $1,255,043, or $0.32 per share.

Revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 44 percent to $6,255,387, from $4,347,269 for the same quarter a year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Cognex reported net income of $4,658,842, or $1.08 per share (on a fully diluted basis), an 80 percent increase from $2,581,967, or $0.68 per share, for the equivalent nine-month period in 1989. Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $17,129,736, up 52 percent from $11,281,614 for the comparable period a year ago.

''Cognex continued to exhibit outstanding performance in the third quarter. Our gross margins remain strong, and our operating profit reached a new high of 39 percent, reflecting the overall health of our business,'' said Robert J. Shillman, chairman, president and chief executive officer. ''We are encouraged by the increasing interest in our products in both Europe and Japan as well as the recent signing, domestically, of a $1 million OEM agreement with Hughes Aircraft Company of Carlsbad, California.''

Cognex Corp. designs, develops, manufactures and markets a family of machine-vision systems - computers that can ''see'' - which are used to replace human vision in a wide range of manufacturing processes in the semiconductor, electronics, pharmaceutical and aerospace industries.

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LAGUNA HILLS, CA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Newport Pharmaceuticals

International Inc. (NASDAQ:NWPH) Friday announced results for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, which included both a profit for the quarter as well as the company's fourth conscutive quarter of revenue increases.

The company reported continued strong increases in revenue to $15,759,000 for the third quarter as well as net income of $17,000, compared with revenue of $8,771,000 and a net loss of $793,000 for the same qurter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had revenues of $43,609,000 and a net loss of $2,577,000, compared with revenues of $27,759,000 and a net loss of $511,000 for the same period of last year.

Revenues of the company's subsidiary, America's Pharmacy Inc. (API) continued to increase, up 92 percent in the third quarter and 81 percent for the nine months vs. the same periods of 1989. These increases reflect continued growth at API as a result of the addition of new customers and increased utilization by existing customers.

A significant factor in the growth was the acquisition of Delivered Pharmacy Services from Lincoln National Life Insurance Corp. in September 1989. Revenues from API now represent approximately 86 percent of the company's total revenues.

Revenues from the production of fine chemicals at the company's manufacturing facility in Ireland, although a relatively small part of total revenues, continue to post significant increases, up $230,000, or 63 percent, and $482,000, or 58 percent, respectively, for the third quarter and nine months as compared with the same periods of last year.

Other revenues, consisting primarily of sales of Isoprinosine, increased $344,000, or 24 percent, and declined $1,406,000, or 22 percent, for the third quarter and nine months of 1990, respectively, as compared with the same periods of 1989.

The increase for the third quarter primarily reflects a comparison with the low revenues experienced in the same quarter of the prior year, while the overall decline for the nine months continues to reflect decreased demand for Isoprinosine.

The company reported an operating profit of $304,000 for the third quarter of 1990, compared with an operating loss of $634,000 for the same period of last year, reflecting both the sales volume increases at API and continued control of selling expenses and general and administrative costs. The company reported an operating loss of $526,000 for the first nine months of 1990 vs. $337,000 in 1989.

A substantial portion of the 1990 year-to-date operating loss has been caused by the legal expenses related to the class action lawsuit as well as certain

non-recurring relocation costs and consulting fees recorded in the second quarter.

A significant portion of the 1990 year-to-date net loss consists of a $1,264,000 non-cash, non-operating charge relating to the successful completion of the exchange of 25 percent of the company's outstanding 10 percent notes for common stock in April 1990.

In commenting on the third-quarter results, J. Roberts Fosberg, president and chief executive officer of the company, stated: ''We are very pleased to have profitable operations for the third quarter. We believe that the third-quarter results reflect our continued efforts to generate increasing sales volume to cover our base operating costs. This will continue to be our focus in the coming quarters.''

Newport Pharmaceuticals International is a diversified health-care company with headquarters in Laguna Hills. Newport is the parent company of America's Pharmacy, a mail-service prescription-drug company located in Des Moines, Iowa.

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LAGUNA HILLS, CA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - WILLIAM & CLARISSA, Inc. Friday announced that its common stock is being deleted from the NASDAQ automated quotation system, effective October 19, 1990.

The company shares will now trade on the over-the-counter markets. NASDAQ's action occured because the Company's net worth reflected in its June 30, 1990 financial statement is below NASDAQ's minimum capital requirements. As previously announced, First Boston Corporation is currently assisting the Company in seeking additional financing which, if obtained, would re-qualify it for NASDAQ.

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MENTOR, OHIO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - RB&W Corp. (AMEX:RBW) announced sales for the third quarter were $43.4 million, the same level as last year, which included sales of the Powdered Metal Products Division (PMP) sold on Aug. 21,

1989.

Sales from ongoing operations increased 2.3 percent. Net income for the current year period was $129,000, or 3 cents per share, compared to $1,014,000 or 20 cents per share last year. Excluding results of PMP and the gain on its sale, net income increased slightly from last year.

Net sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $133.0 million, down 8.9 percent from the $146.1 million in 1989. The decrease was primarily due to weaker transportation markets, as well as to the PMP sale (discussed above). Net loss for the nine-month period was $3.2 million, or 63 cents per share this year, compared to net income of $4.3 million, or 85 cents per share last year. The 1990 year-to-date loss is due to a $4.5 million charge recorded in the first quarter for the closing of the company's Cleveland plant.

John J. Lohrman, chairman and chief executive officer, said distribution segment sales are up from last year, both for the quarter and year-to-date. Customer interest in RB&W's Total Fastening Service (TFS) programs remains high. The manufacturing plants, however, have been impacted by the lower auto and truck production levels.

RB&W Corp. is a leading industrial company engaged in the manufacture and distribution of cold formed parts. With 145 years of experience, it is one of the oldest and largest companies in the metal forming industry.

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RICHARDSON, TEXAS (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Convex Computer Corp. (NYSE: CNX) Friday announced record revenues and profits for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reported revenue of $53.3 million, an increase of 29 percent from the third quarter of 1989. Net income was a record $5 million for the quarter generating earnings of 23 cents per share. This represents a 44 percent increase over the third quarter 1989 results of 16 cents per share.

The third quarter results mark the company's 24th quarter, or 6 full years, of uninterrupted growth in revenues and the 20th consecutive quarter of profitability. Demand for the Convex C2 Series supercomputer reached record levels, comprising 47 of the 53 systems shipped in the quarter.

Some 750 Convex systems, with more than 1,000 CPUs, are now installed worldwide, representing the largest installed base of any supercomputer vendor. Cumulative revenues generated by these systems now exceed one half billion dollars.

''This quarter's results highlight the importance and success of Convex's strategy to compete in diverse geographic markets,'' said Robert J. Paluck, Convex chairman, president, and chief executive officer. ''While revenues in the United States and Europe were not as strong this quarter as in previous ones, we did see record demand in our Far East Operations.''

During the quarter, Convex also increased its worldwide market presence by delivering a system to Canadair, Canada's largest aircraft builder, a subsidiary of Bombardier; shipping two systems into what was formerly East Germany; and opening a direct sales and service office in Stockholm, Sweden. Convex now has systems installed in 34 countries.

Convex Computer Corp., a leading supplier of supercomputers worldwide, was founded in 1982 to design, manufacture, market, and service high performance systems.

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EUREKA, CA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - A unique agreement to program a new cable television channel in Eureka with the highest rated shows in syndication was announced Friday by Cox Cable Communications and King World Productions Inc.

Beginning Oct. 29, the Cox Cable owned and operated cable television system in Eureka will create KCBL, Channel 4, an 18-hour a day, Monday through Friday, programming service initially consisting of ''WHEEL OF FORTUNE'' and JEOPARDY!'' -- an hour of game shows; ''THE OPRAH WINFREY SHOW'' -- an hour talk show; and ''INSIDE EDITION'' and ''INSTANT RECALL'' -- an hour of newsmagazines, repeated throughout the day. KCBL will be available exclusively on Cox Cable Humboldt Inc. in the Humboldt Bay area, serving some 30,000 customers in the environs of Eureka, Arcata, Fortuna, and Humboldt County.

''WHEEL OF FORTUNE'' and ''JEOPARDY!'' are not currently available, and ''THE OPRAH WINFREY SHOW'' has never been available in the local marketplace. What we are doing is ensuring the carriage of these immensely popular shows in this marketplace under a unique partnership arrangement,'' sad Dorothy Lovfald, vice president and general manager of Cox Cable Humboldt Inc.

Roger King, chairman of the board of King World Productions Inc., stated, ''Eureka, the 187th DMA, is one of the only markets where an experiment of this type is possible, since ''WHEEL OF FORTUNE'' and ''JEOPARDY!'' are already under contract in 94% of the country through 1992 and ''THE OPRAH

WINFREY SHOW'' is under contract in 86% of the country through 1993.

''Our blockbuster programming includes four of the top 10 shows in national syndication as well as our recently debuted newsmagazine ''Instant Recall.'' Because of the lack of broadcast licenses in the market -- only two VHF signals and one UHF signal -- Eureka's television audience has historically been underserved relative to many larger markets with four, five, or more available broadcast signals. Cable service is therefore, relatively more important in a market like Eureka. We are now making available to the Eureka TV audience some of the most popular shows in the history of television,'' he added.

David Kantor, vice president of Advertising Sales for Cox Cable said, ''Under the terms of the agreement, Cox's CableRep advertising sale subsidiary will handle advertising sales for, and the operation of, the new channel. We already have a strong advertising sales operation in Eureka, selling spots on six basic cable channels including ESPN, USA, and CNN. This new service gives us a seventh powerhouse channel to dramatically expand the value of our advertising presence in the local market.''

Cox Cable Communications is a division of Atlanta-based Cox Enterprises Inc. As owner and operator of 23 cable television systems, including Humboldt, Cox serves nearly 1.6 million customers nationwide.

King World is the leading distributor of first run programming, including WHEEL OF FORTUNE, JEOPARDY! and THE OPRAH WINFREY SHOW, the three highest rated series in first run syndication, INSIDE EDITION, the sixth highest rated syndicated strip and INSTANT RECALL, both produced by the company.

King World also distributes its own library of 68 feature films and 210 television programs, and through its barter subsidiary, Camelot Entertainment Sales Inc., sells national advertising for King World and The Disney Company television programming. In addition, King World is the owner of WIVB-TV, the CBS affiliate in Buffalo, New York.

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ALBANY, NY (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of KeyCorp declared a regular quarterly dividend of 34 cents per share on its common stock at the directors' meeting held in Albany, on Oct. 18, 1990.

The dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991 to shareholders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

The board also declared a quarterly dividend of $1.02 per share on KeyCorp's Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A. That dividend is payable on Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 17, 1990.

KeyCorp (NYSE: KEY) with assets in excess of $20 billion is a multi-regional bank holding company headquartered in Albany. It has focused its banking expansion activities in the Northeast and Northwest. Pursuing a middle market target, KeyCorp has concentrated its resources in cities and smaller communities of the northern tier of states, thus avoiding overcrowded marketplaces and single industry loan exposure.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - UniBridge Inc. Friday introduced an innovative, new audiotext investment service designed to allow the investing public to access valuable financial information simply by calling 1-900-820-STOCK (1-900-820-7862).

This unique service instantly delivers real-time market data, stock performance ratings, trading alerts and multiple opinions about individual stocks and industry groups to anyone with access to a telephone, on a pay-per-call basis, 24-hours a day.

It is the first single resource for consumers and professional investors who are looking for fresh, action-oriented information including multiple opinions from top research firms at low cost.

Kenda C. James, president of the Indianapolis-based UniBridge explained in a morning press briefing in New York, "There are over one million individual investors in the U.S. today, who collectively make more than ten million calls per day to brokers or investment houses.

"We decided to deliver data directly to the consumer, giving them a fast and efficient alternative. Plus, we are providing value-added information that, through traditional channels, would be very expensive, if available at all, to the general public. We believe brokers, too, will gain advantage from our real-time data, stock scoring and multiple opinions."

Beginning Nov. 1, the UniBridge 1-900 service will provide instant access to the following information: Real-time Stock Quotes - No 15-minute delay. Callers input a stock symbol and get instant, up-to-the-second quotes.

Stock Performance Ratings - Based on a scoring system for 3,500 stock, previously used by the No.1 newsletter (ranked by Hulbert's Financial Digest) that since May 1976 has outperformed the S&P by 2400 percent. Callers can get an overall stock summary, a stock risk summary, a stock valuation summary, a stock earnings summary and individual stock ratings.

Stock Alerts - Intra-day statistics about price swings and volatility, dividend and earnings surprises (up and down), stock splits and trading activity by insiders.

Stock and Industry Opinions - Including buy/sell recommendations, market timing tips and sophisticated analyses of individual stocks or industry performace from top research firms.

Market Commentary - An instant market update before the opening, midday, at close and after. Comprehensive analyses are provided by objective financial institutions and professionals who have joined the UniBridge 1-900 service with a common objective: to provide a clearing house of valuable investment information and advice that can be easily, and inexpensively, accessed by investors.

UniBridge Inc., a subsidiary of Unified Corp. in Indianapolis, is dedicated to providing a clearinghouse of information for investors. Unified Corp. is a financial services provider involved mainly in mutual funds and institutional investment services.

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LOUISVILLE, KY. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Capucino's Inc. (NASDAQ:CINO) announced that it has elected to extend the redemption date for all of its outstanding Redeemable Class A Common Stock Purchase Warrants (the ''Class A Warrants'') from Oct. 19 to Nov. 30.

Each Class A Warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase one share of the company's Common Stock and one Redeemable Class B Common Stock Purchase Warrant (the ''Class B Warrants'') at a price of $1.875 at any time through Feb. 27, 1995.

However, if the Warrants are not exercised by 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time on Nov. 30, the right to acquire shares of the company's Common Stock and Class B Warrants will terminate whereupon holders of Class A Warrants will thereafter be entitled only to receive the redemption price of 5 cents per Class A Warrant.

On Oct. 18, the closing bid price of the company's Common Stock was $2.47 as reported by NASDAQ.

Capucino's Inc., based in Louisville, Ky., owns and operates a chain of Italian dinner house restaurants under the name Capucino's. The company has two restaurants in operation, plans to open three additional restaurants during the balance of calendar 1990 and is seeking additional sites.

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OSHKOSH, WIS. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - C.F. Hyde, chairman and CEO of Oshkosh B'Gosh Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:GOSHA), Friday announced that consolidated net sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, were $91.3 million, a 15.4 percent decrease from the $107.9 million in net sales for the comparable period in 1989.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, net sales were $244.7 million, a decrease of $7.0 million (2.8 percent) from the like nine months in 1989. The reduction in sales for both periods was due primarily to lower unit volume resulting from a sluggish retail climate.

Net income for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, was $8.4 million and $22.0 million, respectively, compared to $14.0 million and $29.3 million for the comparable periods in 1989.

Hyde stated that the company expects consolidated net sales to show a moderate increase during the fourth quarter when compared to the like period in 1989. He also stated that while they remain cautious they are encouraged that consumer demand for Oshkosh B'Gosh products remains strong and that initial Spring orders are running well ahead of a year ago.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(In thousands except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$91,297	$107,884	$244,743	$251,759
Cost of products sold	62,003	72,424	168,314	169,588
Gross profit	29,294	35,460	76,429	82,171
Selling, general and administrative exp.	15,772	11,721	41,393	32,694
Operating income	13,522	23,729	35,036	49,477
Net other Inc./(Exp.)	(86)	(943)	682	(1,949)

Income before taxes	13,436	22,796	35,718	47,528
Income taxes	5,078	8,810	13,680	18,267
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Net income	$ 8,358	$13,986	$22,038	$29,261
Average number of shares outstanding	14,586	14,586	14,586	14,586
Net income per common share	$ .57	$ .96	$ 1.51	$ 2.01
Cash dividends per common share				
Class A	$ .1025	$ .08	$ .3075	$ .22
Class B	$ .09	$ .07	$ .27	$ .19 T

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - National Sanitary Supply Co. (NASDAQ:NSSX) Friday reported that net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $1,398,000, a 9 percent reduction from net income of $1,542,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 were 23 cents, 2 cents below earnings per share of 25 cents for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, National's net income was $3,033,000, a 13 percent reduction from net income of $3,476,000 for the comparable nine-month period of 1989. Earnings per share for the first nine months of 1990 were 50 cents, 7 cents below earnings per share of 57 cents for the first nine months of 1989.

Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $69,106,000, which compare with sales of $69,168,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, reached $199,029,000, a 1 percent increase over the comparable sales figure of $198,085,000 in the prior year.

National Sanitary Supply Co., headquartered in Cincinnati, is the largest distributor of sanitary maintenance supplies in the United States. Through nearly 650 sales representatives in 57 branch sales and distribution facilities located in 14 western, southwestern and midwestern states, National distributes chemical cleaning compounds, paper and packaging products and other maintenance supplies and equipment to a wide variety of customers.

NATIONAL SANITARY SUPPLY CO.
Comparative Results of Operations
(Unaudited)
(in thousands except per share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$69,106	$69,168	$199,029	$198,085
Net income	$ 1,398	$ 1,542	$ 3,033	$ 3,476
Earnings per share	23 cents	25 cents	50 cents	57 cents
Average number of shares outstanding	6,077	6,121	6,109	6,117

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MAPLEWOOD, N.J. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - First World Cheese Inc., (NASDAQ:FWCH) announced sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

Net sales for the quarter were $34,245,216, a 14.6 percent increase over net sales of $29,887,651, reported in the same quarter of 1989. Net earnings for the quarter were $50,765, or 1 cent per share compared with $99,440, or 2 cents per share reported in the 1989 third quarter.

Net sales for the nine months reached a record $108,680,476, a 34.6 percent over net sales of $80,720,703, for the nine months of 1989. Net earnings for the nine month period reached $1,746,459, or 35 cents per share, compared with nine month net earnings of $1,729,801, or 34 cents per share in 1989.

Carl T. Wolf, president of First World Cheese said, ''We are pleased with the continued sales growth and acceptance of our PreMonde Alpine Lace brand cheese products. The introduction in June of Alpine Lace Free N' Lean fat free cheese will further add to our growth.

''Earnings for the third quarter were impacted by higher cheese costs and expense involved in the development of our fat free cheese product,'' he added.

''The outlook for the company continues strong, with the introduction of new nutritional cheese products for the supermarket deli and dairy cases, as well as marketing and sales programs directed at the food service and institutional markets.''

First World Cheese Inc. is a developer and marketer of a growing line of low cholesterol cheeses sold under the PreMonde Alpine Lace label. The company's primary product lines are designed to meet consumer taste expectations while providing the dietary benefits of lower fat cholesterol. Through its Mountain Farms Inc., and Marolf Dakota Farms Cheese Inc. subsidiaries, the company also

packages and converts bulk cheeses into consumer retail packages and manufacturers a small portion of the cheeses sold under the company's brand names.

In addition, the company engages in the cheese commodity trading business.

First World Cheese Inc.
Financial highlights

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$34,245,216	$29,887,651	$108,680,476	$80,720,703
Net earnings	$ 50,765	$ 99,440	$ 1,746,459	$ 1,729,801
Net earnings per share of common stock				
Primary	$ .01	$ .02	$ .35	$ .34
Fully diluted	$ .01	$ .02	$ .35	$ .34
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding				
Primary	5,038,671	5,061,895	5,042,525	5,043,622
Fully diluted	5,038,671	5,061,895	5,042,737	5,053,812

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Al Wiman, health reporter at KMOV-TV/St. Louis, has joined Wang Associates Health Communications as director of broadcast services, announced Julie Wang, the company's president.

Wang Associates Health Communications is the largest independent public relations agency specializing in health and high technology.

Wiman brings to Wang more than 20 years of experience in the field of broadcast journalism. Wiman will continue to work part time as the medical and science editor at CBS-affiliated KMOV-TV, where he has been since 1974.

During that time, he received three Emmys from the St. Louis chapter of the National Academy of TV Arts and Sciences.

''Al's experience will enable Wang Associates Health Communications to achieve our goal of producing the best videos in the business,'' said Wang.

Wiman recently produced b-roll for Wang Associates Health Communications that was aired on all three major networks, CNN, and many local stations, reaching an audience of over 100 million. ''Our client is thrilled and we were told by several network reporters that this was the best video material they had ever received from a public relations agency,'' noted Wang.

Before joining KMOV, Wiman worked as news director at WCTV-TV in Florida. Earlier, he worked as an investigative reporter for KABC-TV and KCBS-TV, two television stations in Los Angeles, where he won three Golden Mikes from the Southern California Radio-TV News Association.

Wiman has received a number of awards from health and science organizations, such as the National Kidney Foundation and the American Cancer Society.

In the summer of 1990 he received an award from the Sigma Tau Foundation for his reporting on Alzheimer's disease.

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BOSTON (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Westwood Equities Corp. (formerly known as Ticor) announced Friday that the Letter of Intent for an acquisition transaction with EDS Capital Corp. and New Century Enterprises Inc., previously announced, has been terminated.

Alternative transactions are being explored by Westwood Equities and its parent, New TC Holding Corp.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - At the annual meetingof Bruno's Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:BRNO) held here Friday, shareholders re-elected nine directors and added two new directors to the board.

The new directors are J. Mason Davis Jr., an attorney and senior partner with the law firm Sirote & Permutt, P.C., and Bart Starr, chairman of the board of Starr-Sanders Properties, a real estate development company.

Davis is also an adjunct professor with the University of Alabama School of Law and a past president of the Birmingham Bar Association. He graduated from Talladega College and received his law degree from State University of New York, School of Law.

Starr is a graduate of the University of Alabama. He played professional football for 17 years with the Green Bay Packers. Following his retirement in 1972, he was a game analyst for CBS-TV and then returned to football to serve as Green Bay's head coach from 1974 until 1983. Since that time, he has been involved in commercial real estate development, and currently resides in Birmingham.

Directors re-elected to the board at the annual meeting included Angelo J. Bruno, Joseph S. Bruno, Lee J. Bruno, Ronald G. Bruno, Paul F. Garrison, Glenn J. Griffin, Benny M. LaRussa Jr., Judy M. Merritt, and Richard Cohn.

Bruno's Inc. is a leading regional food retailer, operating a total of 235 supermarkets in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, Florida and Tennessee. The company's shares trade on the National Market System under the NASDAQ Symbol BRNO.

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PORTLAND, ME (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The One Bancorp (NASDAQ:TONE) announced Friday a net loss of $23.7 million, or $2.89 per common share (primary and fully diluted), for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

This loss is within the $20 million to $25 million estimated range announced on Oct. 11. Results for the quarter reflect continued high levels of loan loss provisions, reduced interest income due to a high level of non-performing assets, and operating expenses associated with the workout of problem assets.

The loss announced for the third quarter of 1990 was $24.8 million less than the $48.5 million loss ($5.92 per share) (primary and fully diluted), reported for the like quarter in 1989. The 1989 quarter was negatively impacted by significantly higher levels of provisions for loan losses than reported in 1990.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30 the company reported a net loss of $36.1 million, or $4.40 per share (primary and fully diluted), including an extraordinary gain of $29.7 million recorded in January 1990 when the company repurchased its capital notes.

The loss recorded for the like period in 1989 was $74.5 million, or $9.12 per share (primary and fully diluted), including an $801,000 extraordinary item.

The One Bancorp noted that as of Oct. 18, 1990, the expiration date of the offer to purchase its outstanding convertible subordinated debentures, $26.8

million or 72.8 percent of the $36.8 million outstanding principal amount of such debentures had been tendered and accepted for payment. The 72.8 percent principal amount tendered was less than the 75 percent anticipated in the company's Capital Recovery Plan.

The company anticipates an extraordinary gain of approximately $22 million in the fourth quarter of 1990 in connection with the completion of the offer.

During the quarter, non-performing assets of the company increased by $12.9 million to $310.2 million at Sept. 30. Reserves for loan losses totaled $57.4 million, or 27.55 percent and 3.72 percent of non-performing loans and total loans, respectively.

Total assets decreased by $28.3 million during the quarter, which is a result of the company's plan to reduce its size to improve regulatory capital ratios and deposits decreased by $10.6 million as a result of a decrease in brokered deposits.

The One Bancorp is a $2.2 billion Maine-based bank holding company with FDlC-insured bank subsidiaries in Maine, Connecticut and Massachusetts.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Microbiology Inc., announced Friday that it has reached an agreement in principle to market its veterinary product in Europe.

Applied's strategic partner in this endeavor is a vertically integrated chemical company based in Paris. Plans call for the introduction of an AMBICIN-based animal hygiene product for the prevention of bovine mastitis, a disease in dairy cows responsible for losses of $35 billion worldwide. The product will be introduced in 1991 and be marketed in eight EEC countries.

The product has been developed with Applied's joint venture partner, Babson Bros. a major distributor to the dairy industry based in Illinois. Babson will introduce a teat dip product domestically in 1991.

''This agreement signifies the next step in our marketing strategy,'' explained W. Peters, vice chairman of Applied, and president of the company's international operations. ''Now that our domestic marketing alliances are in place, we are aggressively pursuing large overseas markets.''

Peters also announced that Applied is in advanced negotiations with a major

Swiss pharmaceutical company to license its bovine mastitis therapeutic for international markets.

Applied's teat dip product is a rapidly acting, non-toxic alternative to chemical germicidals. It has been developed for use both before and after milking as a dip or spray. It is estimated that the market potential for mastitis teat dips and sprays worldwide exceeds $100 million. In the next five years, the market is expected to grow by 30 percent.

Applied Microbiology Inc. has targeted the AMBICIN formulations for application in human dermatological, oral healthcare, and veterinary markets. The company has already established strategic partnerships with leading domestic and international companies including Pfizer Inc., Calgon Vestal Laboratories, a subsidiary of Merck & Co., and Burns, Philp and Co. Ltd. of Australia, a major supplier of products to the food industry.

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EAST PROVIDENCE, R.I. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Orbis Inc.'s common stock will continue to be included for quotation in the National Association of Securities Dealer's Automated Quotation System (NASDAQ) via an exception from the deficiency in total asset requirement.

While Orbis, Inc. failed to meet this requirement as of June 30, the NASD has granted a temporary exception from this standard subject to Orbis Inc. meeting certain conditions.

While the company believes that it can meet these conditions, there can be no assurance that it will do so.

If at some future date the company's securities should cease to be quoted on the NASDAQ System, they should continue to be quoted in the over-the-counter market.

For the duration of the exception the company's NASDAQ symbol will be ORBSC.

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DALLAS (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - BancTec Inc. (NASDAQ:BTEC) reported revenues of $47.8 million for the second fiscal quarter ended September 30, 1990 up 11

percent from $43.2 million for the same period last year. Net income increased 34 percent to $2.7 million or 41 cents per share for the quarter vs. $2.0 million or 31 cents per share for last year's comparable quarter.

For the six months ended September 30, 1990 revenues totaled $93.9 million, up 10 percent from $85.6 million for the same period last year. Net income for the first half of fiscal 1991 was $5.1 million or 76 cents per share vs. $3.9 million or 60 cents per share for the same period last year.

The profit improvement was due to increased gross profit from high-speed ImageFIRST systems and reduced interest expense offset in part by increased income taxes.

Grahame N. Clark Jr., chairman and chief executive officer commented, ''While we are very pleased with the financial performance reported for the first half the softening economy in the U.S. is of growing concern to companies such as BancTec that depend heavily on the general level of capital spending. In fact we have experienced some lengthening in the end-user business order cycle and a slowdown in orders received from our OEM customers.

''However, the company's products have all been recently introduced or enhanced, and provide cost savings and productivity improvements to customers in a variety of industries throughout the world. As a result, we believe BancTec is well positioned to achieve good financial performance over the remainder of this year and for the longer term.''

BancTec provides computerized systems for processing financial transactions, including checks, remittance advices, sales drafts and giro documents. BancTec designs, manufactures, markets and services products that employ optical character recognition, magnetic ink character recognition and image processing technologies to read, digitize, encode, sort and process financial documents.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - S.E. Nichols Inc., (OTC) operating as debtor-in-possession since its filing for reorganization under Chapter 11 on Aug. 2, 1990, recently reported that its net loss for the three months ended Aug. 4, 1990, including a provision of $15.5 million for reorganization costs in connection with its Chapter 11 filing was $21,543,000.

For the same quarter of the preceding year ended July 29, 1989, the company reported a net gain of $1,810,000 which included a gain of $4,281,000 relating to the sale and discontinuance of the operations of the company's F.R.

Schrieber wholesale division.

For the six month period ended Aug. 4, 1990, the net loss amounted to $25,031,000, which loss included the $15.5 million reorganization reserve. For the same period of the preceding year ended July 29, 1989, the net loss was $5,687,000 after a provision of $3.8 million recorded in the first quarter of the preceding year for the previously announced 11 store closing program.

Sales for the three months ended Aug. 4, 1990, amounted to $11,492,000 and represented solely sales related to the operation of the company's Pharmhouse deep discount super drug stores which have been reopened at various times since mid-April 1990.

At present, a total of 19 stores are in operation. Sales for the same period of the preceding year were $51,452,000 and related solely to the operation of the company's 34 discount department stores which are no longer in operation. Due to the change in the number of stores and the company's retail format, the results of operations for these respective three month periods are not comparable.

Sales for the six months ended Aug. 4, 1990 amounted to $38,012,000 which included sales of the company's discount department stores until each store began its respective inventory liquidation sale plus sales relating to the Pharmhouse retail operations as each store reopened during the period mid-April through Aug. 4, 1990.

Sales for the same six month period of the preceding year amounted to $105,398,000 and related to the operations of 34 discount department stores. The results of operations for these respective six month periods are not comparable.

S.E. Nichols Inc. operates a chain of 19 Pharmhouse deep discount super drug and general merchandise stores in the mid-Atlantic states.

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WILLIAMSPORT, PA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Commonwealth Bancshares Corp. (NASDAQ: CBKS) Friday announced third quarter 1990 net income of $3,592,000, up from $3,553,000 for the same quarter last year.

Year-to-date net income amounted to $10,001,000, up 10.5 percent from $9,053,000 reported in 1989.

The third quarter earnings of $3,592,000 were 1.1 percent higher than the

record-setting 1989 third quarter of $3,553,000 and 12 percent greater than the 1990 second quarter performance of $3,208,000. Earnings per share for the third quarter amounted to 57 cents, the same as the third quarter 1989, but up from 52 cents per share for this year's second quarter.

Year-to-date earnings per share amounted to $1.60, as compared to $1.45 for the same period last year.

Our return on assets for the third quarter was .98 percent, down slightly from 1.06 percent for the same quarter 1989, but up from .92 percent in the second quarter of 1990. Year-to-date, return on assests amounted to .95 percent compared to .92 percent in 1989.

Our return on equity was 12.93 percent compared 13.95 percent for the third quarter of 1989 and 11.92 percent for the second quarter 1990. Year-to-date, return on equity has improved to 12.37 percent versus 12.11 percent in 1989.

''With the financial industry currently showing generally lower earnings, we are pleased to report that Commonwealth Bancshares Corp. remains an exception to the rule,'' said William D. Davis, chairman and chief executive officer. ''This was accomplished by following our long-range strategy of offering quality services traditionally identified with a locally oriented, full-service regional bank.''

''We continue to be optimistic relative to earnings performance for the remainder of 1990 and throughout 1991,'' said William E. Snell Jr., president and chief operating officer. ''Our gains in productivity, strong capital position and sound loan portfolio reflecting a diversifed local economy will support our efforts to reach our budgeted goals.''

Regarding credit quality, the fundamentals of our loan portfolio continue to be sound and our lending practices remain conservative. The institution does not have a concentration in commercial real estate and, as we generally stay within our market area, we avoid the intense competition for this segment of the market that has been experienced elsewhere.

The multi-bank holding company serves 12 counties with 55 offices throughout northcentral Pennsylvania. Upon completion of The First Bank of Greater Pittston merger in November, assets will total $1.6 billion and the corporation will serve 14 counties with 60 community offices throughout northcentral and northeastern Pennsylvania.

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RIVERHEAD, NY (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Suffolk Bancorp (NASDAQ: SUBK) Friday released the results of its operations during the third quarter of 1990.

Net income was $1,502,000, up 1.6 percent compared with $1,479,000 posted during the same period last year. Earnings-per-share were 45 cents vs. 45 cents for the quarter. Net income for the first nine months was $4,310,000, up 4 percent from $4,144,000 during the first nine months of 1989. Earnings per share for the three quarters were $1.30 vs. $1.25 for 1990 and 1989 respectively. A financial summary follows text.

Suffolk Bancorp is a one-bank holding company engaged in the commercial banking business through The Suffolk County National Bank, a full service commercial bank headquartered in Riverhead.

''SCNB'' is Suffolk Bancorp's wholly owned subsidiary. Organized in 1890, The Suffolk County National Bank is the second largest independent bank headquarted on Long Island, with offices in Center Moriches, Cutchogue, Hampton Bays, Mattituck, Medford, Port Jefferson, Riverhead, Wading River, and Westhampton Beach, N.Y. Suffolk Bancorp also owns Island Computer Corp. of New York, a bank data-service company located in Bohemia, N.Y.

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WOBURN, MA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - First Woburn Bancorp Inc., (NASDAQ:WOBS) Friday announced the results of its Annual Meeting of Shareholders, held on Oct. 18, 1990.

Frank J. Porcaro, president and chief executive officer of the company, said that shareholders voted to elect John T. Martin Jr., Arthur A. Veno Jr., M.D., and Rose L. Blake to serve as directors of the company until 1993.

A total of 3,203,540 shares of the company's common stock was outstanding and entitled to vote as of the record date for the meeting, Aug. 21, 1990. A quorum of 78.21 percent, or 2,505,549 shares, was represented at the meeting. Votes cast were as follows:

	For	Withhold Authority
Mr. Martin	2,406,793	98,756
Dr. Veno	2,407,561	97,988
Mrs. Blake	2,410,161	95,388

Martin has served as a director of the company since 1972. He is president of Woburn Machine Co. and John Fowle Co. of Woburn.

Veno has served as a director of the company since 1972. He is a surgeon in practice in Woburn.

Blake is a communication consultant in Woburn. Prior to 1988, she was a Professor of Communication and Psychology at Fisher College in Boston. She has served as a director of the company since 1989.

First Woburn Bancorp is the holding company for Woburn Five Cents Savings Bank. Established in 1854, Woburn Five conducts operations through five full-service banking offices located in Middlesex County, Massachusetts.

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NEW HAVEN, CT (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - First Constitution Financial Corp., the holding company that owns First Constitution Bank, reported a net loss of $12.9 million or $1.18 a share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, compared with a loss of $10.9 million or $1.00 a share for the same period a year ago.

This year's third-quarter loss, when added to first- and second-quarter losses of $39.4 million and $19.0 million, results in a net loss for the nine months of $71.3 million or $6.51 a share. This compares with a loss of $1.3 million or 11 cents a share for the first nine months of 1989, according to John J. Crawford, president and chief executive officer.

The 1990 third-quarter results reflect an addition to reserves for losses of $12.0 million, bringing total reserves for loan losses and real estate investments to $93.6 million. Non-performing assets were $273.4 million at Sept. 30, an increase of $36.5 million in the quarter -- consisting principally of $22.6 million in commercial real estate loans and $11.3 million in residential real estate loans.

The ratio of reserves to non-performing assets was 34 percent at Sept. 30.

''Our business continues to be affected by the widespread deterioration of the Connecticut ecnomomy and, in particular, the persistant decline in our state's real estate markets,'' Crawford said. ''That is why a priority of ours is working out problem loans.''

Shareholders' equity at Sept. 30 was $144.1 million. Total assets were $2.2 billion. The consolidated equity-to-asset ratio was 6.6 percent, and book value per share was $13.16.

Primary and total capital ratios for First Constitution Bank, computed according to FDIC requirements, were both 8.7 percent at Sept. 30. ''Similar

to actions taken at other banking institutions recently, First Constitution Bank, computed according to FDIC requirements, were both 8.7 percent at Sept. 30. ''Similar to actions taken at other banking institutions recently, First Constitution Bank directors have entered into a memorandum of understanding with federal and state regulators -- following the completion of an examination of the bank. The memorandum calls principally for development of a plan to maintain a primary capital ratio of at least 8 percent, while continuing to maintain adequate loan loss reserves and working to reduce adversely classified assets,'' Crawford said.

Net interest income before the provision for loan losses was $8.9 million for this year's third quarter, compared with $12.6 million a year ago. For the nine months, net interest income was $31.0 million, compared with $40.1 million last year.

Third-quarter non-interest income was $1.2 million this year, compared with $4.0 million last year, when there was an early settlement of a large loan and income from investments. This year's nine-month non-interest income was $1.0 million, compared with $12.2 million for the same period last year. This difference is attributable primarily to gains on investment securities in 1989 and losses recognized in 1990.

Non-interest expense for the 1990 third quarter was $11.2 million, compared with $9.7 million for the same period last year. For the nine months of 1990, it was $34.5 million, compared with $26.7 million for last year's first nine months.

Because of the adverse effect of non-accruing loans, the average interest rate spread for the third quarter was 1.47 percent. The net interest margin was 1.74 percent.

First Constitution Bank is a state-chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank with 22 offices in New Haven and Fairfield counties.

The common shares of the holding company, First Constitution Financial Corp., are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System. At Sept. 30, there were 10,950,333 shares outstanding.

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - SCI Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:SCIS) announced Friday consolidated operating results for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for first quarter of fiscal year 1991 were $289,355,000 compared with $288,897,000 for like period of the prior year. Net income for first quarter of fiscal year 1991 was $3,562,000 compared with a loss of $9,214,000 for the like quarter in 1990. Earnings per share for first quarter of fiscal year 1991 were 17 cents compared to a loss per share of 44 cents for the like period in the previous year.

Order backlog at Sept. 30, 1990 was $806 million compared with $777 million at June 30, 1990, and $746 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

SCI Systems Inc. is a vertically integrated electronics manufacturer whose products and systems are supplied to a variety of aerospace, industrial and commercial customers.

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TINTON FALLS, NJ (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation today announced that it has entered into an agreement whereby its bank group will not take any action, except on ten days prior notice, to enforce the payment of debt owed by Concurrent. Denis R. Brown, Concurrent's president and CEO, said, ''We are pleased with this arrangement. This extends the existing informal grace period indefinitely and is intended to give the company sufficient time to complete a revised business plan and capital restructuring proposal expected by early December 1990.''

''The bank group recognizes the inappropriateness of our highly leveraged capital structure and the need to restructure it in a way consistent with our revised business plan,'' Brown added. As part of the agreement, Concurrent paid $1.6 million in interest which was due to the banks in September.

Brown recently returned from an extensive tour throughout the U.S. and Europe to keep his commitment to deal directly with concerns of customers, suppliers and employees; he plans to visit other locations later this month. He commented, ''I am impressed with the level of commitment our customers have to Concurrent.''

Concurrent Computer Corporation is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through the Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems Groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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BROOKLYN, N.Y. (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - On Oct. 17, after five years without a rate increase, The New York State Public Service Commission issued an order authorizing Brooklyn Union a permanent increase in base rates of approximately $20 million, or 2 percent.

In addition, the company will include in 1991 earnings approximately $12 million of tax credits, largely related to previously negotiated reductions in property and federal income taxes. (The company has approximately $24 million of tax credits remaining to offset rate relief in the future). The total increase of $32 million reflects an allowed rate of return of 11.9 percent on utility common equity.

Other components of the order included recovery of approximately $2 million more in sales promotion expenses than previously provided; denial of a proposal to adjust the company's capital structure to include debt of the subsidiaries, which would have lowered the company's allowed rate of return and impeded future diversification efforts; and allocation of the rate increase consistent with the company's objective to maintain its competitive position in certain commercial market segments.

The Brooklyn Union Gas Co. Thursday arranged with Shell Gas Trading Co. for long-term delivery of up to 80 million cubic feet of gas per day. The agreement is the largest ever, both in terms of gas volumes and monetary value between a U.S. producer and a local distribution company such as Brooklyn Union. The gas is attractively priced and will meet the growing local demand for clean-burning natural gas. Brooklyn Union currently serves 1.1. million customers in New York City.

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NEWPORT, KY (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - NS Group Inc. (NYSE:NSS) announced Friday the following organizational changes. The changes are the result of NS Group's recently acquired Koppel Steel Works and Ambridge Rolling Mills in Koppel, Pa., and Ambridge, Pa.

Paul C. Borland Jr. has been promoted to president and chief operating officer of Koppel Steel Corp. Paul's most recent position was vice president and general manager of Kentucky Electric Steel Corp. (KES).

In addition to KES, Paul brings 33 years of steel making experience and knowledge with Latrobe Steel Co., Cyclops Corp. and Ohio Steel Tube, a division of Copperweld Corp. Paul holds a Metallurgical Engineering degree from Carnegie Mellon University.

Bart F. Niemeyer has been promoted to vice president -- sales and marketing of Koppel Steel Corp. Bart's most recent position was general manager -- sales and marketing of Kentucky Electric Steel Corp. His 28 years of sales experience includes Green River Steel Corp., Copperweld Corp. and Jessop Steel Co. Bart holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Grove City College.

Hugh F. Madden has been hired as vice president -- operations of Koppel Steel Corp. (KSC) and includes operating and quality control responsibility at the Koppel Steel Works and Ambridge Rolling Mills. Hugh brings to KSC 23 years of steel making experience and knowledge with Babcock & Wilcox Co. and most recently as general manager of Tubular Products Division.

Hugh holds a Metallurgical Engineering degree from Youngstown University.

NS Group Inc. is a holding company that owns, in additon to Koppel Steel Corp. four operating subsidiaries: Newport Steel Corp., a tubular steel producer; Kentucky Electric Steel Corp., a producer of steel bars; Erlanger Tubular Corp., a processor of tubular products; and Imperial Adhesives Inc., an adhesives manufacturer. NS Group Inc.'s common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Lilly Industrial Coatings Inc. (NASDAQ:LICIA) at their quarterly meeting held Friday declared a quarterly cash dividend of 13 cents per share payable Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 12, 1990.

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Liant Software Corp. Friday

announced that four of its compiler products are included in the Federal Aviation Administration's "Office Automation Technology and Services" (OATS) contract awarded to AT&T in December 1989.

The FAA was the procurement agency for the Department of Transportation (DOT). Products from Liant's operating subsidiary, Language Processors Inc. (LPI), have been shipping since July 1990. The total amount of the contract awarded to AT&T is approximately $853 million. The potential revenue to Liant from this subcontract award was not disclosed.

Under the terms of the agreement, Liant, through its LPI subsidiary, will provide the DOT and the FAA with compilers that will be used to build some of the office automation applications on AT&T information systems. The LPI languages to be supplied include: LPI True BASIC-87 and LPI-FORTRAN for the UNIX operating system, and LPI True BASIC-87 and LPI-PASCAL for the DOS environment.

Robert Lapides, vice president of sales for Liant Software Corp., said, "The OATS contract is another example of Liant's unmatched success in serving the federal marketplace. Products from Liant companies are included by more than 30 prime contractors and systems integrators in more than 80 percent of all major procurement bids of UNIX-based PCs and workstations for the federal government.

"Often, several integrators for the same government procurements will simultaneously bid Liant products. We dominate this market because we understand and satisfy the needs of the federal government and its prime contractors."

Liant was previously a subcontractor to AT&T in October 1988 when it won the largest federal procurement contract to date based on the UNIX operating system - the Air Force's "AFCAC 251" procurement.

Other major federal subcontracts for Liant have included "Desktop III" (Department of Defense), awarded in November 1989, and "DIS II" (Department of the Interior).

Liant Software Corp., through its family of systems software companies, provides integrated programming tools for constructing and maintaining portable applic Liant is the parent company of three operating subsidiaries: Framingham-based Language Processors Inc. (LPI), specializing in scientific and engineering programming systems; Austin, Texas-based Ryan McFarland Corp. (RM), specializing in commercial programming systems; and Template Graphics Software, Inc. (TGS), based in San Diego, Calif., which specializes in program development systems for graphics applications.

Liant Software Ltd., based in London, England, is Liant's European sales headquarters, and an affiliate, Nippon LPI, is based in Tokyo, Japan.

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NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - DeVlieg-Bullard Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:DVLG) Friday announced that Richard W. Sappenfield has joined the company as a vice president.

Sappenfield's responsibilities will include managing the Services Group, one of the company's three major divisions. The Services Group provides aftermarket products and services nationwide to the users of machine tools.

Sappenfield is joining DeVlieg-Bullard from Nasco Holdings Inc. where he has served as president and chief operating officer since 1987. Nasco Holdings, based in Springfield, Tenn., is a privately held diversified company with annual revenues exceeding $100 million.

From 1985-1987, Sappenfield was president and chief executive officer of the Murray Ohio Manufacturing Co., which manufactures and markets bicycles and lawn mowers. Prior to joining Murray Ohio, he held managerial positions with Avco Aerostructures, including serving as the president and general manager of this major subsidiary of the Avco Corp.

Sappenfield's work experience also includes a number of managerial positions with Rockwell International, the last being vice president and general manager of the plastics division.

Sappenfield is a director of Smith, Seckman & Reid and the Bayly Corp. He serves on the board of the Easter Seals Society and is a member of the board of the Middle Tennessee Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He received his education in engineering and business management from UCLA and Santa Monica City College.

DeVlieg-Bullard is a diversified industrial concern specializing in servicing, upgrading, automating and remanufacturing precision engineered machine tools. The company also manufactures sophisticated original and replacement tooling products used in industrial machine tools.

The Services Group, which Sappenfield will manage, was effectively formed through acquisitions in March 1990 which gave DeVlieg-Bullard control of the engineering and technical drawings covering parts for an installed base of approximately 65,000 machine tools nationwide. Subsequent acquisitions of other trade names have expanded the company's market coverage to nearly 100,000 machine tools.

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GREENWICH, CT (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The Fund American Cos. Inc. has set the close of business Oct. 29 as the record date for determining the shareholders entitled to notice of and to vote at a special meeting to be held in connection with the previously announced sale of Fireman's Fund Insurance Co. to Allianz A.G. of Germany.

The special meeting will consider a single proposal to approve: the acquisition by Fund American of certain investment assets of Fireman's Fund, Fund American's principal subsidiary, followed by the acquisition by Allianz of 100 percent of the stock of Fireman's Fund; the repurchase by Fund American of all 300,000 shares of convertible preferred stock of Fund American currently owned by IFINT S.A.; and a plan to liquidate Fund American's remaining assets over a period of approximately three to five years.

The meeting is presently scheduled to take place on Dec. 11.

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or
Fireman's Fund Insurance Company
Carole Kelleher, 415/899-2102

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FITCHBURG, MA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Anthony Cetrone, president of Micron Products Inc., (ASE:PMR) reported that Micron had incurred a net loss of $2,757,138 for the year ended June 30.

Cetrone stated that while the Micron Medical Products subsidiary was profitable, the consolidated company incurred a loss from continuing operations of $331,233 due to a non-cash charge of approximately $400,000 related to litigation with former owners of the Numedco subsidiary.

As previously reported, the company discontinued operations at Numedco during June 1990. The $2,424,905 loss from discontinued operations includes all costs to close down the Philadelphia based business.

Cetrone added that the company expects to report a quarterly profit for the fiscal period ended Sept. 30. This will be the first profit achieved after eight consecutive quarters of losses.

Cetrone also announced that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders had been set for 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday Nov. 27, at the offices of Micron Medical Products - 25 Sawyer Passway, Fitchburg. Stockholders of record on Oct. 19, will entitled to vote. Definitive proxy statements are expected to be distributed during the week of Oct. 29th.

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Anthony A. Cetrone, 508/345-5000

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TOLEDO, OH (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The directors of Health Care REIT Inc. (AMEX:HCN) voted to continue the quarterly cash dividend at the rate of 43 cents per share.

The dividend will be payable Nov. 20 to shareholders of record on Oct. 31. This will be the REIT's 78th consecutive dividend distribution.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income per share of 47 cents was up 3 cents or 6.8 percent over the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, net income per share was $1.43 compared to $1.34 for the first nine months of 1989, an increase of 6.7 percent.

Gross income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was up 1.4 percent from the third quarter of 1989. Total assets of $186.3 million at Sept. 30, 1990, reflect a 1.2 percent decrease from a year ago.

Funds provided from operations for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $3.4 million (55 cents per share) compared with $2.5 million (41 cents per share) for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, funds provided from operations were $10.3 million ($1.68 per share) compared to $7.5 million ($1.25 per share) for the first nine months of 1989.

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Erin Ibele, 419/247-2800
Robert Pruger, 419/247-2800

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DALLAS (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Texas Instruments Inc. (NYSE:TXN) Friday reported its third quarter 1990 financial results. FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Revenues for the quarter were $1680 million, compared with $1571 million in last year's third quarter. Net loss was $7 million, compared with net income of $65 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Loss per share was 19 cents, compared with earnings per share of 67 cents in the same period of 1989. Losses in TI's semiconductor business, caused by sharply lower prices for semiconductor memories and substantially higher investments in new products and capacity, were primarily responsible for the unfavorable change from last year's third quarter.

Third-quarter financial results were also impacted by the temporary disruption of business at our semiconductor assembly-and-test operation in the Philippines following the earthquake in July. There was major damage in the area, with disruption of water, electrical power and transportation for an extended period.

Our facilities in Baguio sustained some structural damage, but through the extraordinary efforts of our people, full production was reestablished in less than four weeks with minimal impact on our customers' business activities.

TI develops, manufactures and markets semiconductors, defense electronics systems, software productivity tools, computer systems and peripheral products industrial automation and control systems, electrical controls, metallurgical materials, and consumer electronic products.

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BELLEVILLE, IL (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - William S. Badgley, chairman of the board of Magna Group Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:MAGI), reported third quarter earnings of $5.0 million or 39 cents per share compared to $4.9 million or 40 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989.

Year-to-date 1990 earnings totaled $13.2 million or $1.04 per share compared to $14.7 million or $1.21 per share for the first nine months of 1989. Although net interest income in 1990 increased 4.9% over 1989 net interest income, the net interest margin declined 18 basis points from 4.63% in 1989 to 4.45%. The increase in 1990 net interest income was more than offset by the increase in the provision for loan losses and the costs associated with the Enhanced Retirement Incentive Program, the acquisition of two thrifts from the Resolution Trust Corp. and the increase in FDIC assessments. The Enhanced Retirement Incentive Program was completed in Feb. 1990.

Total assets as of Sept. 30, 1990 were $2.36 billion, an increase of 7.2% from $2.20 billion a year earlier. Total deposits increased 7.4% to $2.05 billion from $1.90 billion. Loans net of unearned income were $1.46 billion up 6.0% from $1.38 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. Stockholders' equity rose 9.6% to $183 million from $167 million. Primary capital as a percent of total assets was 9.25% at Sept. 30, 1990 making Magna a strongly capitalized banking company.

The allowance for loan losses totaled $17.2 million or 1.18% of loans compared to 1.08% at Dec. 31, 1989. Non-performing loans (loans 90 days or more past due and accruing, non-accrual loans and restructured loans) totaled $34.7 million as of Sept. 30, 1990 a decrease of $1.3 million from June 30, 1990. Net loans charged off during the first nine months of 1990 totaled $6.3 million or .59% of average net loans.

Badgley announced the board's declaration of the fourth quarter dividend of 17 cents per share. Such dividend will be paid to all stockholders of record Nov. 15, 1990 and is payable on Dec. 10, 1990.

Magna Group Inc., a multi-bank holding company headquartered in Belleville, owns eight banks with 50 locations throughout central and southern Illinois, a trust company and a data processing company.

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Gary D. Hemmer, 618/236-9339

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - A new 13D disclosing a 16.8 percent ownership of common stock of Weldotron Corp. (ASE-WLD), a Piscataway, N.J., based company, has been filed Friday by a group of Weldotron shareholders, most of whom had previously filed separate 13Ds.

Says Walter J. Schloss, a principal of the group's largest shareholders, ''For the time being, we are seeking a dialogue with management in order to exert influence with the ultimate goal of protecting our investment and enhancing the value of the stock. We hope that our efforts will result in other Weldotron shareholders joining with us.''

For further information, contact Bernard Stebel, Esq., at 516/496-8117

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MT. LAUREL, NJ (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Tyco Toys Inc. (NASDAQ:TTOY) Friday announced that, despite record sales, it is now projecting lower net income and earnings per share for the year, compared to last year.

Richard E. Grey, president and chief executive officer, said, ''We are aggressively responding to sluggish retail toy sales by increasing our advertising expenditures by $4 million for the fourth quarter. At the same time, our 1990 net income will be reduced by losses at our Nasta subsidiary.

''Net losses of Nasta International Inc. are now projected to exceed $5 million this year, compared to net income of $1.4 million last year,'' Grey added. ''However, we expect that our acquisition of Playtime will be completed in about two weeks, and that the combined Playtime/Nasta business will be profitable in 1991.''

Grey further added that Tyco now expects 1990 results to range between $1.60 and $1.80 per share, fully diluted, including a projected 40 cent per share loss from Nasta. Tyco reported $2.25 per fully diluted share last year, including 10 cents per share income from Nasta.

Tyco, which markets a broad line of toy products, expects to report third quarter results by month end.

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Harry J. Pearce, 609/234-7400

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LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas Industries Inc. (NYSE:TII) announced Friday that its Board of Directors adopted at its Oct. 18, 1990 meeting certain amendments to the existing preferred stock purchase rights which are attached to each outstanding share of the company's common stock.

The purpose of the amendments is to update the rights in light of current business practices so as to appropriately protect the interests of the company's shareholders.

Under the amendments, the rights will separate from the common stock in the event of an announcement or commencement of a tender offer for at least 20 percent of the company's outstanding common stock. Formerly, the threshold had been 30 percent. The amendments also reduce to 20 percent the threshold of ownership by a shareholder at which the rights will separate.

The amendments revise the shareholder rights plan so that the provisions which allow a shareholder to purchase company stock at a 50 percent discount will be operative solely on the basis of a shareholder crossing the 20 percent ownership threshold.

Among the amendments are provisions to also: add an exchange feature; allow the Board of Directors to delay the separation date in the event of a tender offer which would trigger the rights; delete the provision for a 10 day redemption period after the stock acquisition date; and extend to 45 trading days from 10 trading days the period for determining the current market price. The amendments do not require redemption of the rights or issuance of new rights.

Thomas Industries Inc. designs, manufactures and markets a broad array of commercial, industrial and residential lighting products, fractional horsepower compressors and vacuum pumps, as well as specialty products for commercial, industrial and consumer markets. Thomas, with worldwide sales last year in excess of $436 million, has operations in the U.S., Canada, Europe and Asia.

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LARGO, FL (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Sunstyle Corp. (OTC:SCCO), homebuilder and real estate developer, reported an unaudited net loss of $84,269 or 8 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

This compares to losses of $61,678 or 6 cents a share for the previous quarter and $101,650 or 9 cents a share for the comparable 1989 quarter.

Total revenues for the three month period ended Sept. 30 were $2,587,000 compared to the quarter ended June 30 when revenues were $2,722,000. For the Sept. 30, 1989 quarter, revenues were $3,455,000.

''New sales contracts in the Sept. 30 quarter totaled $1.6 million compared to $2.5 million for the previous quarter and $3.0 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989,'' said Ralph W. Quartetti, president of Sunstyle Corp. He noted that during 1989 the company was operating in five locations instead of the present four.

Sunstyle Corp.'s principal subsidiary is Sunstyle Homes Corp., a 13 year-old real estate developer involved in six building and land development projects in Pinellas and Manatee Counties, Fla. Sunstyle Corp. stock is traded over the counter.

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BOSTON (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Lifetime Corp. (NYSE: LFT) announced Friday that on Oct. 16, 1990, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania dismissed all claims in the March 1988 action brought against Lifetime, Michael J. Sinclair, Anthony H. Reeves and others by Capital Care Corp.

Judge John P. Fullam dismissed all federal law claims and upheld the validity of an October 1986 Asset Purchase Agreement pursuant to which Capital Care released Lifetime, its affiliates and principals from all claims which it may have had against such persons. The state law claims were dismissed with prejudice to their being asserted in a state forum.

Capital Care has 30 days to appeal Judge Fullam's decision. The company has no indication of the course of action Capital Care intends to take.

Capital Care was seeking damages of $9 million for fraud and breach of contract as well as damages for federal securities law violations and treble damages for violations of federal racketeering laws. The claims were based on among other things, the acquisition of stock of Capital Care in 1984 by a subsidiary of Lifetime and the purchase by Lifetime of two subsidiaries of Capital Care in 1987.

Lifetime Corp., through its Kimberly Quality Care and National Mentor divisions, is one of the nation's largest providers of home health care personnel and services, psychiatric home care, and supplemental staffing for institutions. Through its ASB Meditest and Office Angels divisions, Lifetime is a leading provider of paramedical examinations to insurance companies, schools, and businesses, and is a provider of temporary and permanent office personnel.

CONTACT: Lifetime Corp., Boston
Pamela J. Laughlin, 617/330-5080

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NEW MILFORD, CT (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Colonial Data Technologies Corp. (NASDAQ:CDTX) the leading supplier of Caller ID Display Units, Friday reported third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 sales of $1,917,000 and net income of $24,000 compared to sales of $1,683,000 and a net profit of $1,000 in the prior year period.

For the first nine months, sales and net income were $9,534,000 and $496,000 respectively, compared to sales of $4,583,000 and a net loss of $19,000 in 1989.

According to R.J. Schock, president, the opportunities in the Caller ID market continue to expand as telephone companies in numerous states have announced their intention of offering this popular service to their customers during 1991.

Protests from special interest groups that favor anonymous phone calls have been effective in slowing down the regulatory approval process; however, many phone companies plan to offer per-call blocking to facilitate the

implementation. Caller ID subscribers will be alerted on their Display Units when the Caller uses per-call blocking thereby providing a mechanism for screening incoming calls. He noted that a portion of the Caller ID Display Unit sales during 1990 were attributable to early stocking of inventory into areas where approval of the service is pending.

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Robert F. Wasco, 203/355-3178

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HUNTINGDON VALLEY, PA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - FPA Corp. (ASE:FPO), a residential builder with operations in the Philadelphia metropolitan area and in Florida, Friday reported a loss from continuing operations of $10,251,000, or $2.56 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, compared to a loss from continuing operations of $8,630,000, or $2.15 per share, during the prior fiscal year.

In addition, the company incurred an extraordinary loss of $9,110,000, or $2.27 per share, resulting from an April 1990 exchange transaction in which the company exchanged the majority of its Florida real estate and other assets for approximately $43 million of its outstanding public debt and related accrued interest.

Net losses were $19,679,000, or $4.91 per share, and $9,635,000, or $2.40 per share, for the fiscal years ended June 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively. Net losses included losses from discontinued operations amounting to $318,000 and $1,005,000 during the fiscal years 1990 and 1989, respectively.

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, the company reported a net loss from continuing operations of $4,235,000, or $1.06 per share, compared with a net loss from continuing operations of $6,903,000, or $1.72 per share, during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

The fiscal 1990 fourth quarter included an after-tax charge of $1,225,000, resulting from an adjustment to the carrying values of certain land and residential properties, compared to a similar charge of $3,945,000 during the prior year.

The loss from continuing operations for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, increased $1,621,000 over the prior year due to a comparable reduction in income tax benefit of approximately $3.5 million since the company has utilized all available tax benefits for financial reporting purposes and to a reduction in gross profit from residential sales.

Offsetting these items was a reduction in selling, general and administrative expenses of approximately $3.3 million and increased profits from land sales

of approximately $2 million.

In order to improve its financial condition, and provide sufficient working capital to meet current and future operating needs, the company has developed and is endeavoring to implement a plan to modify its current operating and debt structures.

The plan seeks modifications to existing debt service requirements on its senior and subordinated debt obligations and on certain mortgage obligations, additional overhead reductions and equity financing from certain principal shareholders.

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RACINE, WI (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Twin Disc, Incorporated reported slightly higher earnings on level sales for the first fiscal quarter ended September 30, 1990, Michael E. Batten, chairman, president-chief executive officer, told shareholders Friday at the company's annual meeting.

Consolidated net earnings for the fiscal 1990 first quarter were $228,000, or $.08 per share, compared with $148,000, or $.05 per share, a year ago. Net sales for the quarter were $37,896,000 compared with the $37,917,000 reported last year.

	Three Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$37,896	$37,917
Net earnings	$ 228	$ 148
Earnings per share	$ .08	$ .05
Average shares outstanding (thousands)	2,829	2,917

In thousands of dollars except per share statistics and average shares outstanding. Per share figures are based on average shares outstanding.

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212/953-5555

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RALEIGH, NC (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - For the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, Carolina Power & Light Co. (NYSE: CPL) reported earnings of $1.82 per

share of common stock compared with $1.62 per share for the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the quarter was $153.9 million compared to $138.3 million for the like period last year. Operating revenues for the third quarter were $762.7 million compared to $712.4 million for the like period last year.

Earnings for the 12-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990 were $4.54 per share compared to $4.06 per share for the like period of 1989. Net income for the current 12 month period was $414.6 million compared to $358.7 million for the like period last year.

Operating revenues for the most recent 12-month period were $2.6 billion compared to $2.4 billion for the like period last year.

For the third quarter, customer growth and an extended period of warm weather contributed to the increased earnings. Energy sales for the quarter were up 4.5 percent over the like period last year. The number of customers increased by over 18,000 compared to the third quarter last year.

During the third quarter, the company adopted a change in accounting which provides for the accrual of estimated unbilled revenues. Unbilled revenues are the amounts customers will be charged for services rendered, but not billed, at the end of an accounting period. The cumulative effect of this accouting change on the current 12-month period was to increase earnings by $99.9 million, or $1.18 per share.

The current and previous 12-month periods were impacted by write-offs related to regulatory treatment of the Harris plant. During the current 12-month period, the write-off totaled $81.6 million, or 97 cents per share. In the previous 12-month period, the write-off totaled $18.6 million, or 23 cents per share.

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Wayne Ennis or Kyle Hampton, 919/546-6189
(Direct line 23 hours)

-30- 2186

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RACINE, WI (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Twin Disc, Incorporated voted to pay a quarterly dividend of $.225 per share.

The dividend is payable December 3, 1990 to shareholders of record on November 9, 1990.

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212/953-5555

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#90292b0848 10/19/1990 ~Business Wire
MAYAGUEZ, PUERTO RICO (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Miguel A. Garcia-Mendez Esq., president of Western Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ:WFPR), Friday reported an increase of 16 percent in the bank's year to date net operational income, through the third quarter of 1990, totalling $3,303,414.00 as compared to $2,849,598.00 for the same period last year, excluding non-recurring gains on sale of securities, which totalled $1,528,273.00.

Third quarter earnings increased to $890,923.00, or 59 cents per share, as compared to $859,071.00, or 55 cents per share for the same period last year. Reserve for possible loan losses was increased to 1.90 percent of all consumer commercial and credit card loans, increasing the total reserve 24.94 percent to $2,804,437.00 from $2,247,661.00 reported in the same period last year.

Garcia-Mendez indicated that the increase in third quarter earnings was the result of adequate control over the bank's cost of funds, and an increment in yield over the bank's total assets (reduced to $536,992,330.00 as compared to $591,652,728.00 for the same period last year) to accommodate an intended joint acquisition of what used to be Caguas Central Federal Savings Bank. The acquisition did not materialize when the bid presented by the acquiring group did not meet the cost test established by the Resolution Trust Corp.

Western Federal is Puerto Rico's strongest regional bank and the fourth largest savings bank on the island, with 23 full service branches mainly located on the Western, Southern and Northeastern regions of Puerto Rico.

Western Federal expects to inauguarate its 24th full service branch - on the Western region of the island - during the first quarter of 1991.

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Frank C. Stipes or Victor Rivera Almodovar, 809/834-8000
by
Albert Frank-Guenther Law Inc., New York
Darrell T. Oliver, 212/612-1433

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LAKEWOOD, CO (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - A series of significant new drill hole intercepts have been encountered at the London gold mine near Fairplay, Colo. during the past month of exploration.

The Alma London Venture is in the process of defining a much higher grade ore body at the property than in the past, prior to the expected resumption of mining operations in February 1991.

''We are very encouraged. The latest exploration indicates we have a significant new resource averaging about 0.68 ounces of gold per ton in place, which should be mineable at grades in excess of 0.5 ounces per ton,'' Alistair Turner, executive vice president of American Boulder, said.

''Our reinterpretation of the structural controls on mineralization and subsequent drilling show that continuos, high-grade mineralization is localized along vertical rather than in subhorizontal structures that we mined in the past,'' he added.

The Alma London Venture is comprised of 50 percent operator Alma American Mining Corp., Cobb Resources Corp. (25 percent) and American Boulder (25 percent). American Boulder N.L., an Australian public company is 61 percent owned by Boulder Gold (AASE: BGN).

Boulder Gold's American Depositary Receipts also trade on the Over-The-Counter Market. Boulder Gold is engaged in the exploration and development of strategic and other precious mineral resources through its platinum group metals and chromite ore projects in Stillwater, Mont.

The London mine has historically been Colorado's largest gold producer, yielding 2.6 million ounces between 1890 and 1940. From May 1988 - June 1989 the mine was operated by American Boulder (AASE: ABD) and Cobb Resources (NASDAQ: COBB) and produced some 36,000 ounces.

''Our costs per ounce should be dramatically lower now that we have the benefits of a venture-owned mill, flotation and gravity plant at site, combined with the new structural interpretation that permits prediction of high-grade gold veins,'' Turner noted. ''Annual output by the Alma London Venture could reach 60,000 ounces,'' he concluded.

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Alistair Turner, 303/969-8903

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BRAINTREE, MA (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ:GROS) Friday reported third quarter sales of $229.0 million, 1.0 percent behind sales of $231.2 million from ongoing operations in 1989.

Sales from ongoing operations for the nine-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $628.8 million, 1.7 percent ahead of sales of $618.2 million in the prior year.

Net income for the third quarter totaled $6.8 million or 26 cents per share, compared to $11.2 million or 43 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the third quarter of 1989 included a $4.1 million gain from sales of the Moore's and Northwest Divisions and a $1.9 million extraordinary charge, representing premiums on the prepayment and repurchase of long-term debt.

Tom Schwarz, chairman and chief executive officer, stated ''the economic downturn in the Northeast, particularly in housing, continues to adversely impact our operating results. Sales in the product lines where our merchandise expansion program has been most broadly implemented are up significantly, while sales in our other product lines have fallen with the economy. The company continues to develop strategies to build stockholder values in a changing economy and competitive climate.''

Schwarz also expressed his gratitude to shareholders for their overwhelming support of the company's management and board of directors in the recent attempt by real estate financiers to take control of the company's board.

Grossman's, a major retailer of lumber and building materials, operates 156 stores in nine Northeastern states and in California.

Grossman's Inc.
Selected Financial Data
(in thousands, except per share data)

	Three months ended Sept. 30,		Nine months ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$ 228,996	$ 306,169	$ 628,763	$ 869,601
Cost of Sales	163,822	222,355	452,757	626,056
Gross profit	65,174	83,814	176,006	243,545
Operating expenses				
Selling and administrative	53,734	66,185	156,653	210,300
Depreciation and amortization	2,917	3,467	8,262	10,583
Store preopening expense	599	74	1,993	765
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	57,250	69,726	166,908	221,648
Operating income	7,924	14,088	9,098	21,897
Other Expenses (Income)				
Interest expense	2,769	5,480	8,653	16,180
Interest and other income	(2,678)	(1,608)	(6,046)	(7,995)
Net gain on sales of divisions	-	(4,065)	-	(4,065)
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	91	(193)	2,607	4,120
Income before income taxes	7,833	14,281	6,491	17,777

Provision for income taxes	1,070	1,171	902	1,458
Income before extraordinary item	6,763	13,110	5,589	16,319
Extraordinary item				
Loss on the retirement of long-term debt, net of income taxes of $168	-	(1,884)	-	(1,884)
Net income	$6,763	$ 11,226	$ 5,589	$ 14,435
Per common share (primary fully diluted)				
Income before extraordinary item	26 cents	50 cents	21 cents	62 cents
Extraordinary item	-	(7 cents)	--	7 cents
Net income	26 cents	43 cents	21 cents	55 cents
Weighted average shares and equivalent shares outstanding	26,127	26,433	26,133	26,485

NOTE: The 1989 results include the results of divisions sold, through the dates of sale.

CONTACT: Grossman's Inc., Braintree
Sydney L. Katz, 617/848-0100, ext. 2348

-30- 4417
#90292b0857 10/19/1990 ~Business Wire

ATLANTIC CITY, NJ (OCT. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Trump Air will begin offering charter and junket air service Monday through Thursday, beginning Monday, Oct. 22.

The charter and junket trips will replace Trump Air's regularly scheduled morning and afternoon weekday flights, which are expected to resume again in the Spring of 1991.

Trump Air will continue to provide evening and weekend commercial air service between Atlantic City and New York with regularly scheduled flights.

''Trump Air has always been responsive to the Atlantic City market as well as our customers needs,'' said Michael Burke, Trump Air general manager. ''At this time, however, the demand for commercial helicopter service has shifted from weekdays to weekends.''

CONTACT: MediaWorks, Atlantic City
Pam Sinderbrand, 609/348-9009

-30- 978
#90292c0002 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, P.W. WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF BANK CORP OF GEORGIA SOLD 200 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 843.

-30- 304
#90292c0003 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, S.P. MARSH, VP OF COMMUNITY BANCORP INC (TICKER: CBPA) BOUGHT 9,045 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90292c0004 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, S.P. MARSH, VP OF COMMUNITY BANCORP. INC (TICKER: CBPA) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,006.

-30- 307
#90292c0005 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, T.N. SAWYER, DIR. OF MBC CORP. BOUGHT 443 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,959.

-30- 271
#90292c0006 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, J.N. DOWDLE, DIR. OF NBC CAPITAL CORP. BOUGHT 991 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,498.

-30- 299
#90292c0007 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 14, 1990, E.A. GILMOUR, DIR. OF NBT BANCORP INC (TICKER: NBTB) BOUGHT 256 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,237.

-30- 302
#90292c0009 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 2, 1988, R.E. BALDWIN, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,945.

-30- 306
#90292c0010 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 17, 1988, R.E. BALDWIN, DIR. OF FALCON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: FLCP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,945.

-30- 307
#90292c0011 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY M.L. PIERCE HUGHES REVOCABLE TRUST OWNS 465,857 SHARES (6.56%) OF FLEXSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: FLXS) OF DUBUQUE, IA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The shares held in the trust are an inheritance due to the death of Herbert L. Hughes.

-30- 451
#90292c0012 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 2, 1990, Michael D. Coit transferred by way of gift 69,000 shares of DeCorp Inc. common stock to the Foundation of the Jewish Federation of Dallas.

PURPOSE:

Merger agreement approval.

-30- 428
#90292c0013 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

THE A. COURT TRUST OWNS 1,035,304 SHARES (8.31%) OF KAY JEWELERS INC (TICKER: KJI) OF ALEXANDRIA, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. van Ekris transferred to the Trust on March 20 and Oct. 11, 1990, 750,000 and 285,304 common shares, respectively.

PURPOSE:

Disposition of shares.

-30- 479
#90292c0014 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 545,050 SHARES (10.28%) OF KASLER CORP (TICKER: KASL) OF HIGHLAND, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 4 through Oct. 8, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 60,000 shares at a price of $12.38 to $12.75 per share.

-30- 421
#90292c0015 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 545,050 SHARES (10.28%) OF KASLER CORP (TICKER: KASL) OF HIGHLAND, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 363
#90292c0019 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

S.H. BEDNARSKI OF SCHENECTADY, NY OWNS 662,500 SHARES (4.90%) OF CONVERTIBLE HOLDINGS INC (TICKER: CNV) OF PRINCETON, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

During the past 60 days S.H. Bednarski purchased 24,700 shares at $4.63 to $4.75 per share and sold 101,400 shares at $4.25 to $4.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 532
#90292c0020 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.P. UPHAM OWNS 225,707 SHARES (5.21%) OF UNITED MOBILE HOMES (TICKER: UMHI) OF EATONTOWN, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 398
#90292c0021 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY TWEEDY BROWN CO LP OWNS 120,825 SHARES (9.88%) OF FRAWLEY CORP

(TICKER: FRI).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 5 and Oct. 4, 1990 Tweedy Brown Co. LP sold 1,700 shares at $2.30 to $3 per share and transferred 500 shares valued at $4.53 per share out of a client account.

-30- 491
#90292c0022 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY M.L. CAIN TRUST OWNS 860,000 SHARES (9.90%) OF COMPUTER FACTORY INC (TICKER: CFA) OF ELMSFORD, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M.L. Cain Trust and the company have been unable to reach an agreement regarding a confidentiality agreement. M.L. Cain Trust believe that the primary impediment is the company's insistence on a one year standstill provision. M.L. Cain Trust believe a one month standstill period would be appropriate.

-30- 644
#90292c0023 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY TAE IL MEDIA CO LTD OWNS 10,500,000 SHARES (51.00%) OF NATIONAL MICRONETICS INC (TICKER: NMIC) OF KINGSTON, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 10, 1990, Media executed and delivered a written memorandum dated as of Oct. 4, 1990 under which it obtained the right to purchase or to designate Newmax Co. Ltd. to purchase 10.5 million common shares of the issuer at 40 cents per share.

PURPOSE:

To provide working capital and to double the number of issued and outstanding shares of common stock of National Micronetics Inc.

-30- 754
#90292c0024 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WISCONSIN OWNS 476,500 SHARES (8.80%) OF TRC COS INC (TICKER: TRR) OF E.HARTFORD, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 398
#90292c0025 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 295,000 SHARES (5.20%) OF GERAGHTY & MILLER INC (TICKER: GMGW).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 401
#90292c0027 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 772,600 SHARES (7.90%) OF CORE INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: CRI).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 393
#90292c0028 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 690,800 SHARES (6.40%) OF SUPER FOOD SERVICES (TICKER: SFS) OF BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 408
#90292c0029 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 505,000 SHARES (8.10%) OF WTD INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: WTDI) OF PORTLAND, OR.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 408
#90292c0030 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVT BOARD OF MADISON, WI OWNS 1,635,400 SHARES (5.10%) OF HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: HPH) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 420
#90292c0031 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, MAURICE SANDERS NELSON, VP OF ALUMINUM CO. OF AMERICA (TICKER: AA), SOLD 1,564 SHARES AT $66.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90292c0032 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, VERN J CHRISTENSEN, DIR. OF AMERICAN BANCORP. OF NEVADA (TICKER: ABCN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,445.

-30- 345
#90292c0033 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DANIEL P AMOS, OFFICER OF AMERICAN FAMILY CORP. (TICKER: AFL), BOUGHT 84,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 186,424.

-30- 336
#90292c0035 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ROBERT FEUCHTER, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 173,716.

-30- 349
#90292c0036 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, EDWARD E MAHONEY, DIR. OF ANALYSTS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ANLY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,987.

-30- 322
#90292c0037 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DUANE L FEMRITE, PRES. OF ATHANOR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATHR), BOUGHT 7,200 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 129,200.

-30- 318
#90292c0038 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JAMES W STEWART, PRES. OF BJ SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: BJS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

11,384.

-30- 301
#90292c0039 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ROBERT S KAPITO, AFFILIATED PERSON OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 350
#90292c0040 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES P ONEIL, OFFICER OF BOWNE & CO. (TICKER: BNE), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 296
#90292c0041 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MARTIN R ANASTASIO, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,049.

-30- 323
#90292c0043 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, VICTOR B HALLBERG, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 7,666 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,000.

-30- 322
#90292c0044 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CARL M PORTO, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,720.

-30- 311

#90292c0045 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, WAYMAN F SMITH III, VP OF ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. (TICKER: BUD), SOLD 2,012 SHARES AT $39.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,618.

-30- 313
#90292c0046 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ALBERT P LOSPINOSO, DIR. OF BAYOU STEEL CORP. LA PLACE (TICKER: BYX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 335
#90292c0047 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DONALD G REED, OFFICER OF CAMBRIDGE BIOTECH CORP. (TICKER: CBCX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 324
#90292c0048 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, SAMUEL B COCO, PRES. OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,227.

-30- 295
#90292c0049 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, MAUREEN S DEWALD, VP OF CEDAR INCOME FUND LTD. (TICKER: CEDR), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 315
#90292c0051 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF COMMONWEALTH

ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90292c0052 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90292c0053 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90292c0054 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90292c0055 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90292c0056 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90292c0057 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF COMMONWEALTH

ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90292c0059 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $29.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90292c0060 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $29.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90292c0061 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90292c0062 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,916,903.

-30- 373
#90292c0063 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 65,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800,000.

-30- 348
#90292c0064 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90292c0065 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90292c0067 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 530,000.

-30- 348
#90292c0068 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CLAIRE L CHASE, VP OF PILGRIMS PRIDE CORP. (TICKER: CHX), SOLD 1,829 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90292c0069 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DAVID L FRIEDLAND, DIR. OF CONSERVATIVE SAVINGS CORP. (TICKER: CONS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 334
#90292c0070 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, BRIAN R MULLANY, VP OF CONSUMERS WATER CO. (TICKER: CONW), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 786.

-30- 305

#90292c0071 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, BRIAN R MULLANY, VP OF CONSUMERS WATER CO. (TICKER: CONW), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 107.

-30- 307
#90292c0072 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, EGBERT RATERING, VP OF CORDIS CORP. (TICKER: CORD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90292c0073 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, EGBERT RATERING, VP OF CORDIS CORP. (TICKER: CORD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90292c0075 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JOSEPH AIRD, VP OF CULBRO CORP. (TICKER: CUC), SOLD 233 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 146.

-30- 279
#90292c0076 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, TED WESTMEYER, VP OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $76.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 437.

-30- 329
#90292c0077 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, PAUL G KALMAN, VP OF DONNELLY CORP. (TICKER: DON), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,910.

-30- 291
#90292c0078 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, FRANK MANDELBAUM, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DOSE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90292c0079 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, FRANK MANDELBAUM, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DOSE), SOLD 6,900 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90292c0080 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, FRANK MANDELBAUM, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DOSE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,000.

-30- 376
#90292c0081 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, EMPLOYERS MUTUAL CASUALTY CO, BEN. OWNER OF EMC INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: EMCI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90292c0083 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, MICHAEL CONNOY, PRES. OF EMPI INC. (TICKER: EMPI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 291
#90292c0084 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JACK H DERLOSHON, VP OF FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FAMR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,514.

-30- 333
#90292c0085 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 17, 1990, RICHARD L HARDGROVE, VP OF FIRST BANCORP. OF OHIO (TICKER: FBOH), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90292c0086 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 07, 1990, LYLE E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF FIRST BANK SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FBS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 319
#90292c0087 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, TED R LENNON, DIR. OF FIRSTFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FED), BOUGHT 9,350 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,712.

-30- 324
#90292c0088 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, BARRY CRAWFORD, PRES. OF FIDELITY FEDERAL SVGS BANK RICH (VA) (TICKER: FFRV), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90292c0089 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, BARRY CRAWFORD, PRES. OF FIDELITY FEDERAL SVGS BANK RICH (VA) (TICKER: FFRV), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,728.

-30- 349
#90292c0091 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 07, 1990, WESLEY W MASTERS, SHAREHOLDER OF FALCON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: FLOG), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90292c0092 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, WESLEY W MASTERS, SHAREHOLDER OF FALCON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: FLOG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90292c0093 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, WESLEY W MASTERS, SHAREHOLDER OF FALCON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: FLOG), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,668.

-30- 335
#90292c0094 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JACK H MILLER, DIR. OF FIRST MICHIGAN BANK CORP. (TICKER: FMBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,660.

-30- 326
#90292c0095 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, EDWIN C BRUNING, DIR. OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 609 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90292c0096 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, THOMAS H HACKETT, VP OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 167 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 266

#90292c0097 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, LANE B HOFFMAN, DIR. OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 431 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90292c0099 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, EDWARD L BAKER, CHAIRMAN OF FLORIDA ROCK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FRK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,296,044.

-30- 332
#90292c0100 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, R WAYNE BOOTH, VP OF FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FRTH), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 850.

-30- 305
#90292c0101 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, K GORDON GREER, PRES. OF FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FRTH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 225.

-30- 312
#90292c0102 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, GEORGE M CHESTER, DIR. OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 151,000.

-30- 304
#90292c0103 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:01 that trade in Applied Materials Inc.(NASDAQ: AMAT) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 23.

-30- 328

#90292c0104 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:45 that trade in Safety-Kleen Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol SK.

-30- 312
#90292c0105 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:51 that trade in Applied Materials Inc.(NASDAQ: AMAT) has been resumed. The first sale was 18 1/2; down 4 1/2 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 359
#90292c0107 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:58 that trade in Home&City Savings Bank (NASDAQ: HCSB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 21 3/4.

-30- 310
#90292c0108 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:01 that trade in Courier Dispatch Group Inc.(NASDAQ: CDGI) has been resumed. The first sale was 4; up 1/2 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 360
#90292c0109 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:07 that trade in Athey Products Corp.(NASDAQ: ATPC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 4 3/4. The company is located in Raleigh, NC.

-30- 342
#90292c0110 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 17:

VideoCart Inc. - WI (VCRTV)

The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 16:

Kaiser Steel Resources Inc. (KSRI)
Rathbone, King & Seeley Inc. - WI (RATHV)
Valco Communications Inc. (VALK), Uts. 10/15/93 (VALKU), Wts. 10/15/93 (VALKW)

The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 15:

Great Lakes Bancorp, A Federal Savings Bank - Wts. 7/1/95 (GLBCW)

-30- 643

#90292c0111 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 18 due to an insufficient number of active market makers:

Advanced Manufacturing Systems Inc. (AVMS)

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 17:

Ballad Medical Products (BMEDV); Insufficient number of regular market makers - security never quoted (stk. div.)

CIMM Inc. (CMODE), Cl. A Wts. 4/27/91 (CMOWE); Not current in required filings

Nike Inc. - Cl. B (NIKE); Company request - listed on NYSE
Nona Morelli's II Inc. (NONA); Insufficient number of active market makers
Radon Testing Corp. of America Inc. (RDONC); Capital and surplus below minimum

ShareData Inc. (SHRDC); Capital and surplus below minimum
Zytec Systems Inc. (ZSIFC); Capital and surplus below minimum

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 16:

General Genetics Corp. (GENG); Not current in required filings
Neozyme Corp. (NEOZZ); Issue postponed - security never quoted
Tomy Lama Co. Inc. (TLAM); Acquired by Justin Industries Inc. (JSTN)

-30- 1235

#90292c0112 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 18:

Crestek Inc. (CRST) to (CRSTE)
Financial News Network Inc. (FNNI) to (FNNIE)
HOH Water Technology Corp. (HOHIC) to (HOHI), Ut. 6/24/92 (HOHUC) to (HOHIU), Wt. A 6/24/92 (HOHWC) to (HOHIW)

Phoenix Advanced Technology Inc. (PATIV) to (PATI)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 17:

Atlantic Express Inc. (ATEX) to (ATEXE)
Q-Med Inc. (QEKGC) to (QEKG)
Tele-Art Inc. (TLARF) to (TLAFE)

-30- 667

#90292c0113 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Triumph Oil and Gas Corp. lost $191,721, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.59 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $253,193, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $788,663 for fiscal 1989.

-30- 459

#90292c0115 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows the Learning Annex Inc. lost $617,164 (including an extraordinary gain of $85,349) or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $5.57 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $1.90 million, or $0.39 per share, on revenues of $7.57 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 509

#90292c0116 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:22 that trade in Osh Kosh B'Gosh Inc.(NASDAQ: GOSHA) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 20. The company is located in Osh Kosh, WI.

-30- 340

#90292c0117 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in USAir Group has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol U. Trading was resumed at 10:16.

-30- 333

#90292c0118 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Safety-Kleen Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol SK. Trading was resumed at 10:26.

-30- 347
#90292c0119 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - Bonso Electronics International Inc. (TICKER: BNSO) filed a Form 20-F with the NASD stating it lost $359,013, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $6.53 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $559,810, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $7.90 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 496
#90292c0120 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Super Rite Foods Holdings Corp.(TICKER: SRFI) earned $1.38 million, or $0.32 per share, on revenues of $231.94 million for the quarter ended Sept. 1, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.72 million, or $0.34 per share, on revenues of $211.61 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 515
#90292c0121 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows LoJack Corp. lost $1.80 million, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $3.63 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $575,930, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $1.62 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 456
#90292c0123 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows First United Savings Bank (TICKER: FUSB) lost $228,047, or $0.42 per share, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $367,912, or $0.68 per share, in fiscal 1989.

-30- 419
#90292c0124 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - Newmont Rotshchild Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1 million shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is $5.00 per share.

Upon completion of the offering, Newmont intends to acquire two Florida

corporations, D & O Management Inc. and INFICO Inc. through an exchange of common stock.

D & O Management shall own certain Kansas improved real property which shall be partially leased to Midway Cinemas Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Newmont.

Newmont shall use the net proceeds of this offering to operate the real property and the cinema business, through its subsidiaries.

Newmont's executive office is located at 2222 Ponce de Leon Blvd., Suite 350, Coral Gables, Florida 33134 and its telephone number is (305) 442-0744.

-30- 1015

#90292c0125 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:30 that trade in Osh Kosh B'Gosh Inc.(NASDAQ: GOSHA) has been resumed. The first sale was 17 3/4; down 2 1/4 points from the halt, and down 2 1/2 points from the previous close.

-30- 373

#90292c0126 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows BioAnalogics Inc.(TICKER: BION) on Oct. 10, 1990, transferred substantially all its assets, including company inventory, accounts receivable, general intangibles and intellectual property to One Plus Inc.

The transaction was undertaken to satisfy the credit agreement between BioAnalogics and a shareholder and outside director, Howard L. Evers.

-30- 560

#90292c0127 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Panworld Minerals International Inc. failed to comply with its agreement with Tanner and Co., made in March, 1990, regarding the exclusive use of a particular securities attorney.

Tanner's engagement as Panworld's auditors is now ended.

The company hired Tanner and Co. to audit its financial statements for the year ending Dec. 31, 1989.

In Tanner and Co.'s engagement letter, Tanner had specified that certain conditions had to be met regarding its engagement as Panworld's auditors.

Panworld reports it used other securities attorneys during Tanner's engagement.

The company states no new accountant has been appointed.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

Panworld's executive office is located at 5505 South 900 East, Suite 210, Salt Lake City, Utah 84117 and its telephone number is (801) 261-3888.

-30- 1230

#90292c0128 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Unitel Video Inc.(TICKER: UNV) dismissed its former accountants, Ernst & Young, and appointed the firm of Grant Thornton in that capacity, on Sept. 26, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 603

#90292c0129 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 15, 1990, William Brattain advised that he was canceling Brattain and Associates' letter of intent to purchase major assets of Yellow Gold of Cripple Creek Inc.(TICKER: YGCC), entered on June 15, 1990.

On Oct. 2, 1990, Yellow Gold filed a civil action regarding the matter in the District Court for the County of Teller, state of Colorado.

Yellow Gold's executive office is located at 106 South Third Street, P.O. Box 85, Victor, Colorado 80860. Its telephone number is (719) 630-3749.

-30- 739

#90292c0131 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Control Resource Systems Inc.(TICKER: CRIX), a subsidiary of Control Resource Industries Inc., acquired all the outstanding and issued stock of COMATCO Corp., a California corporation doing business as Continental Industrial Supply.

The stock was acquired directly from Robert G. Dudleston, Philip T. Fishella and H. Carl Duckworth, the three stockholders of COMATCO.

The sellers each received $251,345, payable in cash at closing.

-30- 671
#90292c0132 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Edward J. Roy, on Oct. 8, 1990, tendered his resignation as chairman of the board of directors and chief executive officer of Highlander International Corp., (TICKER: HGHR) citing personal reasons.

The board filled the vacancy by electing Walter L. Jacob as director, chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

-30- 558
#90292c0133 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Kleinert's Inc.(TICKER: KLRT) on Oct. 11, 1990, dismissed its former accountants, Laventhol & Horwath, to audit the company's financial statements for the fiscal year ending Dec. 1, 1990.

On Oct. 12, 1990, Kleinert's engaged the firm of Price, Waterhouse to audit their financial statements for the fiscal year ended Dec. 1, 1990.

-30- 529
#90292c0134 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:02 that trade in Bioplasty Inc.(NASDAQ: BIOP) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 7 1/2, 7 5/8. The company is located in St. Paul, MN.

-30- 342
#90292c0135 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:13 that trade in Home & City Savings Bank (NASDAQ: HCSB) has been resumed. The first sale was 20; down 1 3/4 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 363
#90292c0136 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - Network Real Estate of California Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC relating to 54.76 million shares underlying 27.38 million Class A warrants and 27.38 million Class B warrants of the company.

The warrants were previously sold in a public offering of an aggregate of 27.38 million units.

Each Class A warrant is exerciseable to purchase one common share at an exercise price of $0.05 per share and each Class B warrant is exerciseable to purchase one common share at $0.10.

In addition, pursuant to the registration rights granted to certain persons, the company is registering an aggregate of 29 million common shares.

The company's common shares are traded in the over-the-counter market.

On Sept. 28, 1990, the closing bid price, as reported by the National Quotation Bureau Inc, was $0.01 per share.

Network Real Estate of California is engaged in the retail brokerage of residential real estate.

The company's executive office is located at Suite 16, 2425 Porter Street, Soquel, CA 95073 and its telephone number is (408) 462-6200.

-30- 1290

#90292c0141 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - Professional Care Inc.(TICKER: PCE) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one Class A warrant.

Prior to this offering, there has been no public offering for the units or warrants.

The common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol PCE and is also listed with NASDAQ under the symbol PCRE.

Application will be made to include the units and warrants on the NASDAQ system.

The offering price of the units is still to be determined.

D.H. Blair & Co. is underwriting the offering.

The company provides the services of registered nurses, licensed practical nurses and nurses' aides to hospitals and nursing homes to supplement their permanent staffs and for private care duty.

The company's executive office is located at 125 East Bethpage Road, Plainview NY 11803 and its telephone number is (516) 694-8700.

-30- 1157
#90292c0145 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:29 that trade in Family Bancorp (NASDAQ: FMLY) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 1/8. The company is located in Haverhill, MA.

-30- 335
#90292c0146 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Jegeroil Corp.(TICKER: JEGR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$61,908	63,692
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(135,469)	(72,885)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,983,770	8,558,187

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$804,514	836,215
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$462,892	572,580

-30- 1018
#90292c0147 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Solv-Ex Corp.(TICKER: SOLV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$50,117	52,412
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,384,785)	(1,035,074)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	14,669,217	14,098,167

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,852,204	$1,588,428
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,195,382	$1,366,793

-30- 993

#90292c0148 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Software Services of America Inc. (TICKER: SSOA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$895,806	$785,814
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$14,000	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$46,224	$(216,659)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.10)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,226,437	2,226,437

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,621,956	$2,510,235
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$603,284	$557,060

-30- 1051

#90292c0149 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by World Container Corp.(TICKER: WRLZ).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$124,365	$171,397
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(201,660)	$(96,011)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,099,737	9,126,503

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,107,978	$493,547
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$ 218,043	$ 20,663

-30- 1003

#90292c0150 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Dense-Pac Microsystems Inc.(TICKER: DPAC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,750,089	$1,777,463
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(119,774)	$(387,911)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.09)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,658,737	4,658,737

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,711,757	$6,228,133
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,811,388	$1,782,697

-30- 1038

#90292c0151 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Langer Biomechanics Group Inc.(TICKER: GAIT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,462,904	$3,386,783
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$365,249	$51,596
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.14	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,580,536	2,552,954

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,057,374	$6,717,949
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$4,536,396	$3,986,639

-30- 1043

#90292c0153 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Staodyn Inc.(TICKER: SDYN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept.1,

	1990 and	Aug. 26, 1989
REVENUES	$2,054,299	$2,503,513
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(296,821)	$100,147
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,301,985	2,223,217

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 1, 1990	March 3, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,839,405	$6,291,359
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$3,826,332	$4,195,914

-30- 995

#90292c0154 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Epolin Inc.(TICKER: EPLN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$215,521	$78,013
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(40,427)	$(176,630)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,304,000	10,304,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,044,148	$1,204,305
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$852,290	$1,078,369

-30- 1009
#90292c0155 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Phoenix Network Inc.(TICKER: PHNX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year ended April 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,143,519	$3,797,901
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(658,495)	$132,946
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$0.02

BALANCE SHEET

	April 30, 1990	April 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,901,452	$2,223,766
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$313,808	$972,303

-30- 958
#90292c0156 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sunrise Technologies Inc.(TICKER: SNRS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1.842,853	$516,162
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$133,345	$(19,971)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,343,791	6,831,704

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,473,469	$2,157,584
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,433,251	$1,847,037

-30- 1060
#90292c0157 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by NRP Inc.(TICKER: ZIPP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$27,210,810	$30,271,220
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,867,462)	$148,773
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.19)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,673,940	8,411,597

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$10,822,803	$12,516,719
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,227,427	$4,208,639

-30- 1016

#90292c0158 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 16, 1990, Metropolitan Federal S&L Assn.(TICKER: MFTN) announced it entered into an agreement with the Office of Thrift Supervision.

As a result of previously announced negotiations with the OTS, Metropolitan has consented to an order to cease and desist which compels it to observe in the future certain lending restrictions.

In addition, Metropolitan announced because of continuing deterioration in the real estate markets, it estimates it could lose as much as $13 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

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#90292c0159 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Switchco Inc.(TICKER: SXCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$19,310,000	$11,230,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$111,000	$(5,304,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.40)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	14,999,000	14,871,000

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,589,000	$13,118,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$(2,203,,000)	$(1,750,000)

-30- 1026

#90292c0161 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:38 that trade in

Builders Transport Inc.(NASDAQ: MXTR) has been resumed. The first sale was 4 1/2; down 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90292c0162 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:06 that trade in Artel Communications Corp. (NASDAQ: AXXX) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 2.

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#90292c0163 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:10 that trade in Andover Bancorp (NASDAQ: ANDB) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 3 1/4.

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#90292c0164 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:12 that trade in Tyco Toys Inc.(NASDAQ: TTOY) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 10. The company is located in Mt. Laurel, NJ.

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#90292c0165 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:14 that trade in Metro Bank Financial Group Inc.(NASDAQ: MFGR) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3/4. The company is located in Palisades Park, NJ.

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#90292c0166 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Apogee Robotics Inc.(TICKER: APGE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,521,220	$5,051,362
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$24,506	$296.228
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.08

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,703,353	3,439,646

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,076,950	$3,138,621
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,325,205	$1,446,875

-30- 1034

#90292c0167 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by OCG Technology Inc.(TICKER: OCGT)

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$51,719	$101,242
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(772,802)	$(1,125,967)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$923,557	$1,321,594
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$542,924	$708,656

-30- 981

#90292c0169 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Standard Microsystems Corp.(TICKER: SMSC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$20,768,000	$16,579,000

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$413,000	$1,613,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$0.14
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,627,000	11,433,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$111,656,000	$113,212,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$86,467,000	$84,986,000

-30- 1053

#90292c0170 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Walker International Industries Inc. (TICKER: WINT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$304,861	$286,721
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$205,348	$3,761
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$189,845	$(38,661)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.49	$(0.10)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	391,075	401,081

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Nov. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,886,874	$2,629,334
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,596,799	$2,377,478

-30- 1098

#90292c0171 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Meridian National Corp.(TICKER: MRCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,213,929	$11,886,466
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(54,323)	$(256,749)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,717,224	4,107,290

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$19,778,374	$21,195,186
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$7,673,905	$7,653,923

-30- 1046

#90292c0172 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Life Sciences Inc.(TICKER: LFSC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$184,950	$220,088
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(52,700)	$(41,582)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,231,203	2,231,203

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$867,738	$938,488
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$52,395	$105,095

-30- 1020

#90292c0173 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by UniComp Inc.(TICKER: UCMP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Six Months Ended June 30, 1990	Year Ended Feb. 28, 1989
REVENUES	$1,329,009	$4,304,019
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(51,616)	$1,277,903)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	24,408,441	10,672,530

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,086,256	$1,071,112
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$390,138	$394,801

-30- 1068

#90292c0174 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:27 that trade in Artel Communications Corp.(NASDAQ: AXXX) has been resumed. The first sale was 2; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 356

#90292c0175 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:31 that trade in Maxtor Corp.(NASDAQ: MXTR) has been resumed. The first sale was 4 1/2; down 5/8 point from the halt, and down 1 point from the previous close.

-30- 350

#90292c0177 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:46 that trade in Andover Bancorp (NASDAQ: ANDB) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 7/8; down 3/8 point from the halt, and down 1/8 point from the previous close.

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#90292c0178 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Grist Mill Co.(TICKER: GRST)

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,263,000	$12,503,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$485,000	$562,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$0.12

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$41,685,000	$39,347,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$18,579,000	$18,092,000

-30- 957

#90292c0179 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Biomerica Inc.(TICKER: BMRA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,605,711	$309,340
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(121,184)	$(106,412)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,098,776	6,110,495

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,739,908	$8,983,129
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,688,713	$2,809,897

-30- 1023

#90292c0180 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Art's-Way Manufacturing Co. Inc. (TICKER: ARTW).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 26,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,319,081	$4,963,118
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$297,367	$281,068
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.30	$0.21
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	988,605	1,332,355

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 26, 1990	May 26, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,493,394	$10,838,832
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$5,398,803	$5,200,296

-30- 1071
#90292c0181 10/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ambassador Food Services Corp.(TICKER: AMBF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,001,607	$5,002,169
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(25,711)	$(53,737)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.06)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,380,944	$7,957,222
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,281,610	$2,305,862

-30- 981
#90292c0182 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Drivefone Inc.(TICKER: DFON).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,303,000	$13,0222,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$233,000	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(682,000)	$(822,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.11)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,248,348	7,230,557

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,954,000	$3,169,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$156,000	$223,000

-30- 1023
#90292c0183 10/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Brush Creek Mining & Development Co. Inc. (TICKER: BCMD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,685	$21,901
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$98,625	DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS
$ NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(768,436)	$(5,203,426)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.28)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	19,018,000	18,401,000

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS $4,058,091 $3,046,600 TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT) $2,295,579 $1,058,663

-30- 1063

#90292d1750 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 19) - South Korea and China will exchange "non-governmental" trade missions with consular duties this week, Foreign Ministry Choi Ho-Joong said Friday.

The agreement will be signed Saturday in Beijing by Lee Sun-Ki, president of the state-run Korea Trade Promotion Corporation (KOTRA) and Zheng Hongye, the chairman of the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade (CCPIT), Mr. Choi said.

The trade mission will carry out the "functions of liaison between the government of Beijing and Seoul," Mr. Choi said.

Press reports quoted ministry officials as saying that five government officials and 15 KOTRA officials would be sent to the China office.

Seoul has long sought to establish diplomatic relations with China, but Beijing has resisted in order not to anger its ally communist North Korea.

China's trade with South Korea amounted to three billion dollars last year, and an increasing number of South Korean industrial firms are trying to invest in China.

-30- 1176

#90292d1790 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 19) - Venezuela, whose current oil production of 2.3 million barrels per day has outstripped its OPEC quota, will be producing over 2.5 million bd by the end of the year, the president of the Venezuela Petroleum Company (PDVSA) said here on Thursday.

Andres Sosa Pietri, speaking on the first day of a two-day conference sponsored by the International Herald Tribune and the Oil Daily in London, sharply criticized the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries' quota system, saying it had been "very damaging" to Venezuelan industry.

He told Agence France-Presse that he doubted that the quota system, limiting OPEC members to a fixed daily output, would survive the Gulf crisis.

During the conference, Mr. Sosa Pietri said that Venezuela had crude oil reserves of 59 billion barrels.

He termed "ridiculous" Venezuela's quota of 1.9 million bd, set by OPEC last summer shortly before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Venezuela was planning to invest eight billion dollars to boost production to 4 million bd by the end of the century, he said.

"The current crisis underlines the need to the keep to our investment program " he said, adding that investments would be financed by PDVSA from its current earnings.

A six-million-dollar investment project to develop the petrochemical industry and a three-billion-dollar plan to build facilities for the export of natural gas would be financed in joint venture with foreign firms, he said.

Mr. Sosa Pietri sketched three scenarios for the Gulf crisis and its effect on oil prices.

Under a first scenario, the crisis would drag on for six months and end with a negotiated settlement, with oil prices ranging from 25 to 30 dollars per barrel, then dropping sharply.

In the event of a brief war terminating with the collapse of the Saddam Hussein regime, he predicted oil prices would shoot up before falling back to previous levels.

In the case of prolonged war, he said oil prices would rise sharply and then drop, but more slowly than under the second scenario.

But he said that under all three possible situations, oil prices would fall after the crisis.

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#90292d1840 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 19) - The Indonesian state oil and gas company Pertamina announced Friday the discovery of natural gas in three separate areas.

Occidental Berau of Indonesia Inc., a subsidiary of Occidental Petroleum Corp. struck gas at the Berau offshore field in the easternmost Indonesian province of Irian Jaya, a Pertamina press release said.

The Roabida-1 well, the third exploratory well in the Berau block, yielded a maximum sustained flow rate of 23.6 million cubic feet of natural gas per day.

Occidental Berau is the operator of the Berau block and holds a 40 percent interest while the rest are equally shared by Nippon Oil Exploration Ltd and Sun Oil Berau Indonesia Ltd.

Asamera Ltd, a subsidiary of Gulf Canada Resources Ltd, discovered gas in the Corridor block of South Sumatra.

The Gelam-1 wildcat well has a cummulative flow rate of 26.3 million cubic feet of gas per day. Additional drillings were planned to determine the extend of the discovery.

Asamera operates and holds a 54 percent interest on the Corridor Block. Bow Valley Industries and Pertamina respectively holds 36 and 10 percent.

A Pertamina exploration and production unit also found gas at the Bunyu Sei Paya-1 wildcat well near the Nibung field in East Kalimantan.

The well, less than two kilometres (miles) from a methanol Refinery, flowed 19.06 million cubic feet of gas per day.

-30- 1579

#90292d1870 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 19) - The government Friday announced an upward revision of Japan's gross national product (GNP) in fiscal 1988 that ended March last year, following a regular change in the base year to 1985 from 1980.

The Economic Planning Agency makes a change in the base year every five years to minimize errors in calculating GNP data.

The revised data showed that the GNP totaled an unadjusted 379.02 trillion yen (three trillion dollars) in fiscal 1988, the latest year for which revised economic statistics are available.

The figure represented an upward revision of 6.51 trillion yen (52.5 billion dollars), or 1.7 percent from the previous figure.

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#90292d1880 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 19) - Japanese securities firms are expected to change their accounting methods to avoid sharp drops in pre-tax profits in their mid-year financial statements for the six months to September, finance ministry officials said.

The recent sharp fall in stock prices led the Japanese firms to adopt new accounting procedures which allow unrealized dealings losses to be listed as extraordinary losses if they are large enough to reduce pre-tax profits by more than five per cent, the officials said.

It also allows statements to exclude erratic market fluctuations, they said.

Kosei Securities Co., Ltd. became the first firm Thurday to release its mid-year statement under the new accounting method.

Other brokerage houses, including Nomura Securities Co., are expected to follow suit in their mid-year earnings reports to be released on October 23, industry sources said.

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#90292d2080 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 19) - Japan's broad measure of money supply grew at an annual rate of 12 percent in September, up from 11.9 percent in August, the Bank of Japan said Friday.

"Despite a slowdown in lending, a shift from non-monetary financial assets helped to push money supply up," the central bank said, referring to inflows of funds from investment trusts and postal-savings accounts into bank deposits.

But money supply growth - comprising cash in circulation, bank deposits and cerificates of deposit - fell on a quarterly basis from 13 percent in the three months to June to 12 percent in the latest quarter, the bank said.

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#90292d2240 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Tokyo (OCT. 19) - The value of stocks held by Japanese ''big four'' brokerage houses has fallen sharply during the past six months due to the sagging stock market prices.

The stock holdings had lost approximately 825 billion yen (6.6 billion dollars) in value by the end of September, compared with the level six months earlier, securities industry sources said.

Among the big four - Nomura, Daiwa, Nikko and Yamaichi - Nomura, the biggest, was hard hit by stock market sell-offs, with its stock holding value dipping 340 billion yen, the sources added.

The Nikkei Index of 225 leading issues, the Tokyo stock market price indicator also lost ground during the period, plunging to 20,983 points at the end of September from the 29,980 points registered at the end of March.

-30- 961

#90292d2720 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 19) - State-run Philippine Airlines (PAL) Friday declared a record net profit of 584 million pesos (22.7 million dollars) in 1989 and said it would have been higher were it not for last December's bloody coup attempt.

PAL president Dante Santos said in a report to stockholders that the profit, a 91.6 percent annual increase, was the highest in the airline's history and its best financial performance ever in terms of return on revenues.

He said the airline, which adheres to a fiscal year beginning in March unlike most Philippine companies, enjoyed gross revenues totalling 19.97 billion pesos (776 million dollars) in 1989, up six percent over 1988.

Mr. Santos said the December 1989 coup attempt that nearly toppled President Corazon Aquino cost PAL more than 300 million pesos in lost revenues (11.65 million dollars).

A total of 798 domestic and 38 international flights of PAL were cancelled during the two-week military uprising in Manila and Cebu, where the country's other international airport is located, he said.

PAL has a near monopoly of domestic destinations and flies to 26 cities in 19 countries.

-30- 1337

#90292d2750 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 19) - Oil prices are likely to drop below 30 U.S. dollars a barrel unless a major war breaks out in the Gulf and knocks out more production capacity, British Petroleum chairman Robert Horton said here Friday.

"In the long term ... there is an upper limit beyond which oil prices will not be sustained for more than a few months," Mr. Horton told a business luncheon here during a four-day visit.

He said he expected that limit to be below 30 dollars a barrel. But he added that crude prices would probably average between 20 and 25 dollars in the long term after taking into account the world oil surplus and after the "war premium" on oil prices wears off.

Several oil-producing countries, including Saudi Arabia and Venezuela, have boosted production to make up for lost supplies from Iraq and Kuwait following the U.N. embargo imposed on Baghdad after its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Following the invasion, oil prices doubled to 40 dollars before settling back at their current level of nearly 37 dollars.

Mr. Horton said that if war broke out, prices would go much higher, but once stability returned crude prices would rapidly drop below 30 dollars.

-30- 1395

#90292d2760 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (OCT. 19) - John Elliott's Harlin Holdings on Friday announced its renegotiated sale of a large stake in Elders IXL to Japan's Asahi Breweries.

Japan's second largest brewer had renegotiated the original deal to buy a 19.9 per cent stake in the Australian brewing and industrial giant after Elders' share price recently collapsed.

Harlin said in a statement that Asahi now planned to buy 17 per cent of Elders at 2.00 dollars a share instead of the original deal to buy all the stock at 2.15 dollars a share.

Asahi has agreed to pay five cents more for each share if the Elders share price exceeds 1.85 dollars for 20 straight days.

Asahi will buy the remaining 2.99 percent of Elders shares on market.

Elders stock closed 11 cents higher today at 1.35 each but has traded as low as 99 cents in recent weeks.

Harlin, which acquired just better than half the shares of Elders at 2.50 dollars last year and is estimated to have debts of about 2.8 billion dollars (2.1 billion U.S.), said the deal "will stabilise the company's financial position."

It said the renegotiated deal followed the failure of Elders to pay a final dividend for the 1989-90 year and weakness in the Elders share price.

"It is expected that settlement of the transaction will be completed shortly after the necessary approvals have been granted and final documentation has been completed," Harlin said.

Harlin is reliant on dividends from Elders to finance its debt, but Elders failed to declare any dividend when it reported a then Australian record loss of 1.3 billion dollars (one billion U.S.) for the year to June 30.

-30- 1830

#90292d2810 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 19) - Iranian Oil Minister Gholamreza Aghazadeh on Friday repeated his call for the holding of a conference between OPEC and the International Energy Agency (IEA) to establish a dialogue between oil producers and consumers.

He said: "I strongly believe that the IEA instead of taking anti-OPEC stands, should now hold a joint session with OPEC to discuss oil demand and supply situations and even ways of coping with the current or future crisis."

He made his remarks in a speech to the Oil and Money conference here, which

was read by the director general of the National Iranian Oil Co. (NIOC) Javad Yarjani.

Mr. Aghazadeh had made this proposal at the end of August at a meeting of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) in August.

"Market stability is so serious that a number of countries, or even OPEC as the biggest group of oil producers, cannot materialise it on their own in the absence of other players," he said.

"Producer-consumer dialogue has to be launched now. It cannot be avoided or the future will force the dialogue on us.

"Unnecessary oil price fluctuations would be avoided and producers, too, would be capable of assuring consumers that no oil supply disruptions occur even in emergencies.

"A logical and fair basis has to be speculated for oil prices, adjusted also with the impacts of inflation and exchange rates, either on a yearly basis or even shorter intervals, while also allowing for a gradual annual absolute increase for the price."

The minister said that the Gulf crisis and its repercussions on oil supplies were "mainly the result of political developments that erupted in the region in the past decade, as well as the low oil prices of the past several years which confronted the oil producing countries with a serious economic problem".

-30- 2020

#90292d2980 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA TRENGGANU, MALAYSIA (OCT. 19) - Four Molotov cocktails were hurled at the residence of an opposition candidate contesting Sunday's general election in this northeastern state, causing slight damage but no injuries, police said.

They said that the candidate, Tengku Ibrahim Ismail, reported being awakened by the explosions just before dawn in the first known violence ahead of Malaysia's election campaign.

"Only three Molotov cocktails exploded while we have taken the fourth for analysis," said Mohamad Ali Nathu Khan, chief of criminal investigations in Trengganu.

Tengku Ismail, the younger brother of the sultan of Trengganu, is running for the Tanggol seat in the state legislature on the opposition Semangat '46 (Spirit of 46) ticket.

Semangat '46, headed by former trade and industry minister Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah, is giving Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad's nine-year-old government

its biggest electoral challenge.

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#90292d2990 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HONG KONG (OCT. 19) - The British colony's two note-issuing banks Friday announced a 0.5 percent cut in their prime rate, a move analysts said might worsen local inflation currently running in the near double digits.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corp. and Standard Chartered Bank said their lending rate to their most credit-worthy business clients would be cut to 10 percent from Monday.

The Hong Kong Association of Banks, the local interest rate cartel, Friday also announced a half point deduction across the board on local currency savings and time deposit rates, also effective Monday.

An association spokesman described the cuts as "fine-tuning" in response to current interbank market trends, and expressed hope that the move would not create too much inflationary pressure.

A weak economic showing further dampened by the Gulf crisis has led the Hong Kong government to forecast this year's inflation at 9.5 percent, although economists have warned the figure could go higher.

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#90292d3000 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (OCT. 19) - President Corazon Aquino on Friday ordered Philippine oil companies to cut sales and deliveries to consumers by 10 percent in a bid to stretch the country's dwindling fuel supplies, an aide said.

"The measure is intended to stretch by six to seven days the country's petroleum fuel inventory, which is estimated to decline to a critical level of 59 days by year-end if the measure is not put in place," executive secretary Catalino Macaraig said.

Mr. Macaraig, concurrently chairman of government's Energy Operations Board, said in a statement that with the 10 percent slash, the inventory would be stretched to 70 days' worth of consumption at the end of the year.

He said the rise in world crude prices triggered by the Gulf crisis "is putting severe strain on our foreign exchange reserves," noting that costs had passed the 25 dollar per barrel limit set by Manila for implementing the cut.

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#90292d3380 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PALMA DE MALLORCA, SPAIN (OCT. 19) - The Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe agreed here Friday on the need to intensify cooperation on enviromental protection between all Mediterranean countries.

''A deterioration of the environment would pose a further risk for the political, social and economic balance of this region'', according to a communique issued at the end of the conference.

Experts of the 34 Csce member states and seven Arab lateral Mediterranean countries - Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Egypt, Lebanon, and Syria - and Israel, took part in the four-week conference.

In view of the damage already done to the region's ecological system, the Csce has drawn up a programme of relief measures ranging from a more rational use of water supplies to fighting forest fires.

Closer cooperation was also sought in trade and economic matters, with the Csce holding out to states on the southern an eastern shores of the Mediterranean the prospects of ''equal market access'' and ''improved financial, technical and economic cooperation''.

The conference appealed to its members to help spread the load of tourists from their countries crowding the beaches of the Mediterranean.

The influx each summer some 100 million tourists posed a serious burden on the evironment. The conference therefore urged efforts to attract out-of-season tourists and to encourage holidays inland, away from the coast.

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#90292d3530 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 19) - Shares in the French Michelin tyre company, which had lost eight percent of their value on Thursday, were suspended briefly under heavy selling pressure on Friday, and later traded down a further 11.8 percent to 60 French francs.

The stock-market regulatory authority, the COB, said that it had begun an investigation into the release of bad company reults on Thursday, and into trading in the shares.

Michelin forecast a loss of 2.3 billion francs (about 460 million dollars) for the whole of 1990.

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#90292d3620 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manila (OCT. 19) - Philippines President Corazon Aquino Friday told the major oil companies operating in the country to reduce the sale and distribution of

petrol by ten per cent.

The demand, which applies to all other oil-based products as well, is meant to soften the blow of the oil crisis the Philippines have suffered since the beginning of the Gulf conflict.

The new energy saving programme will extend the Philippine oil and petrol reserves by six or seven days, officials say.

The government aims to maintain the reserves achieved on September 30 - 70 days' consumption - until the end of the year. dpa dr wo 191336 okt 90

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#90292d3890 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 19) - Growing numbers of Africans are being used as couriers in an international heroin trade dominated by ethnic Chinese crime syndicates, top Asian narcotics agents said here Friday.

Driven to trafficking by unemployment at home, the Africans - mostly from Nigeria - are using bogus travel documents to shuttle between Asian cities, collecting heroin consignments bound for Europe and North America, the agents said.

The agents were speaking at the end of a five-day meeting of heads of national drug-law enforcement agencies in Asia and the Pacific, organized by the United Nations' Division of Narcotic Drugs.

"Nigerian (couriers) in particular are coming in big numbers to a few countries in the Asian region, primarily India, Thailand, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and Malaysia," said Dalbir Singh of India's Narcotics Control Bureau.

"It has also been found that these people are now spreading into Singapore and Laos," he said.

Travelling direct to Paris or Amsterdam, or via the Nigerian capital Lagos to the United States, the couriers mesh with Chinese underworld gangs, or "triads " with roots in Hong Kong.

"At this moment in the world, the illicit traffic in heroin is controlled to a very large extent by ethnic Chinese mafia," said Francisco Ramos-Galino, director of the U.N. Division of Narcotic Drugs.

While triads have been moving "in greater numbers" from Hong Kong to Thailand and Taiwan, "they are also in Amsterdam, Canada and the United States," previously preoccupied with Italian mobs, he said.

Much of the world's opium and heroin comes from the notorious "Golden Triangle

" a rugged area straddling Burma, Laos and Thailand. The region yielded an estimated 2,000 tonnes of opium last year.

Most of that output goes through long-established smuggling routes through Southeast Asia, though China - which borders Burma and Laos - has emerged as an important new conduit since the late 1980's.

Some 773 kilograms (1,700 pounds) of heroin were seized in China from January through June this year, compared to 559 kilograms (1,230 pounds) in all of last year, said Liu Wen, director of the Ministry of Public Security's criminal investigation department.

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#90292d4060 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Jonnasburg (OCT. 19) - An earthquake in South Africa has killed at least eight workers in the world's deepest gold mine, the Anglo-American mining company said Friday.

The bodies of the eight workers were found in the Western Deep Levels mine, a 4,000-metre-deep pit about 60 kilometres southwest of Johannesburg, while two others were still missing since the minor quake occured on Thursday.

Three workers were killed in the same mine on Wednesday during a similar small quake. An average of 800 mine workers die each year in mine accidents or disasters in South Africa.

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#90292d4070 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 19) - German politicians and security officials are at odds over the type of measures which should be taken to protect candidates during the electoral campaign leading up to December 2 general elections.

Following two attempted assassinations of political figures over the past six months, security officials are proposing a wide range of security tactics, including bullet-proof vests for candidates and a variety of American-style procedures.

But Chancellor Helmut Kohl and opposition Social Democratic (SDP) leader Hans-Jochen Vogel have both opposed excessive measures which would isolate voters from their political representatives.

A cabinet meeting on Thursday was devoted to the question of security procedures for the upcoming campaign, and the question remains under discussion, according to government spokesman Hans Klein. Following Thursday's meeting, Kohl asked security officials not to reveal their plans in public, but measures are expected to be unprecedented.

Vogel has warned that "a serious distortion" of democracy would result if politicians were obliged to wear bullet-proof vests or to be kept at too great a distance from voters at election meetings.

But federal police chief Hans-Ludwig Zachert, speaking several days after the October 12 shooting of Interior Minister Wolfgang Schaeuble, expressed admiration for the "dictatorial" methods used by U.S. security services, and emphasized that German leaders have refused to employ such procedures.

He proposed that airport-style metal detectors be installed at entrances to political rallies, that police presence be strengthened and that the public be kept at a greater distance from political figures.

Two days before the attack on Schauble, the police had unsuccessfully requested an incease in their budget of seven million Deutschemarks (4.6 million dollars) to buy 22 additional armored cars and to increase its number of body guards to 220.

But many politicians from the government and the opposition regard assassination attempts as an occupational hazard, and point out that certain types of attacks, such as those carried out by mentally disturbed individuals, cannot be prevented short of enclosing politicians in plexiglass bubbles.

"Anyone wishing to take up politics should be aware of the risks," said Vogel, who has accepted protection from bodyguards for the past 16 years only "because the state can be blackmailed through kidnapping".

SDP candidate for chancellor Oskar Lafontaine was stabbed in April by a deranged woman at an election meeting.

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#90292d4140 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 19) - Japan has decided to give Egypt a grant-in-aid of 500 million yen (about four million dollars) to help develop its agriculture, the foreign ministry said Friday.

Egypt intends to use the aid to buy agricultural chemicals and machinery to try to increase food production, mainly of rice, the ministry said.

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#90292d4310 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (OCT. 19) - The Tanzanian government has foiled a plot to burn down the education ministry headquarters building here in an attempt to destroy incriminating evidence, the ministry's principal secretary Wilfred Mwabulambo said.

A total of 125 ministry employees were sacked recently for alleged theft.

Mr. Mwabulambo told newsmen here that 86 of the sacked workers would soon appear in court on charges of stealing 40.3 million Tanzanian shillings (212,000 U.S. dollars) from the ministry.

The suspects included the chief accountant, senior finance officer, six teachers and 73 accounts and store clerks, as well as secretaries, file clerks and typists.

Mr. Mwabulambo said the arson attempt was futile since incriminating documents had been removed for use in an impending trial.

The scandal has unearthed after investigations into misuse of ministry funds after many school-teachers went unpaid for months.

"Instead of paying salaries and leave allowances to teachers, people in the ministry had been pocketing the money", Mr. Mwabulambo alleged.

He added: "This is what has been happening in my ministry since 1989 and I am sure it is also happening in other ministries..."

Two years ago, the Tanzanian Central Bank, interior ministry headquarters buildings and the Central Government Stores, were gutted by fire. The fires were believed to have been started to destroy evidence of thefts. But no one was ever convicted.

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#90292d4320 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 19) - The Supreme Soviet adopted a guideline plan on Friday aimed at reforming the Soviet economy along market principles, an AFP correspondent observed in the Kremlin.

Some 333 deputies voted in favor of a resolution approving the plan, prepared as a compromise by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, laying down the "main orientations" of the economic reform program.

Only 12 deputies voted against, 34 abstained, and five deputies did not take part in the vote.

The resolution asks the Soviet president, the presidium of the Supreme Soviet (parliament) and the government to "prepare laws implementing the reform guidelines".

Deputies had approved the plan earlier in the day "as a basis for discussion", and final passage had been anticipated.

Mr. Gorbachev said that central management was in its "death throes", and repeated that while socialism was not being rejected, a market economy is vital to release individual initiative.

The 60-page program, couched in notably vague terms, was distributed to deputies on Tuesday.

In a 45-minute speech defending his compromise between a conservative plan advanced by the government and a radical plan written by one of his own advisors, culminating in deadlock in September, President Gorbachev said that "We could have prolonged the agony of the administrative command system, but we would have come to a historic dead-end".

He hoped that the guidelines would overcome "centrifugal and negative tendencies", but added that the center had to retain control of some areas, and particularly of finances and the currency.

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#90292d4350 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 19) - Five peasants have reportedly been summarily executed by the army in Senegal's southern province of Casamance, where a secessionist movement has been active this year, Amnesty International said here Friday.

It urged the government in Dakar to mount a "full, independent and impartial investigation".

It said the five victims, suspected of being pro-secession, were apparently held during a swoop on Kanaw village on September 21. Their bodies were found in nearby fields.

Torture and executions without any trial of supposed accomplices of the secessionists have been reported over the past few months from Casamance, Amnesty said.

It called on the Senegalese government to "issue clear instructions to the security forces indicating that the killing of prisoners is forbidden by both Senegalese and international law".

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#90292d4390 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRAZZAVlLLE, Oct 19 (AFP) - Troops and police took up positions at the main markets and crossroads in the Congolese capital on Friday to prevent a general strike.

An unknown Workers' Forum had called for the strike in leaflets distributed in

the past few weeks, but there appeared to be no support either here or in the economic capital Pointe Noire, with public and private sectors operating at almost full strength.

The head of the central labour body, Jean-Michel Bokamba Yangouma, said such a strike would have been illegal because negotiations were under way with the government to settle workers' claims.

Earlier in the month there were strikes by oil company, river transport, municipal, railways and seaport workers.

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#90292d4410 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 19) - The environmentalist group Greenpeace and the animal protection group World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) launched a petition drive here on Friday calling for the protection of Antarctica's ecological system.

The organizations are demanding that Antarctica be declared a natural park, and are asking the British government not to support an international agreement which would allow mining and oil drilling on the continent.

"If the British government sides with conservationist countries, then the seals, penguins and whales could look forward to an oil-free future," a Greenpeace activist said.

The protection of Antarctica will be the subject of an international environmentalist congress to be held in Chile on November 19.

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#90292d4460 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENNA (OCT. 19) - Austrian Airlines (AUA) on Friday ordered 26 A-320 and A-321 Airbus aircraft, the company said.

The order concerned firm arrangements for 13 aircraft, and options on 13 others in a contract worth 23 billion schillings (2.3 billion dollars).

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#90292d4470 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FLENSBURG, GERMANY (OCT. 19) - East Germans bought 320,000 new and used cars

in July and August, after German monetary union on July 1 enabled them to swap their soft-currency savings for Deutsche marks, the Federal Automobile Office reported here Friday.

Among the purchasers were about 350 people who bought Porsche sports cars, the report said, pointing to areas of hidden wealth in the former German Democratic Republic.

The post-July 1 rush has caused the price of second-hand cars in west Germany to soar and clogged east German streets that previously were noted for their ease of driving.

Roughly two-thirds of the cars on former East German territory are Trabants and Wartburgs, small two-stroke cars with a reputation for pollution and poor reliability.

Favoured purchases this summer were German-made: VWs, Audis, Opels and then Fords.

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#90292d4590 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (OCT. 19) - An initial shipment of 15,000 tons of U.S. rice has arrived here as part of a loan and re-sale program to finance rural development in the Ivory Coast, a U.S. Embassy communique said here Friday.

The communique said the rice shipment, which arrived Monday, was the first of four expected by the end of November totalling 57,000 tons valued at 15 million dollars.

Under the U.S. aid program, the rice was bought on credit and will be re-sold in the West African country for 35 million dollars. The proceeds will be used for agriculture and rural development projects.

The Ivory Coast government is to pay back the loan over 30 years starting in five years, at an interest rate of two to three per cent, an embassy official said.

The credit re-sale program comprises part of 24 million dollars promised to the Ivory Coast by Washington for 1990. The pledge was made during an October 1989 donor meeting in Paris of the "Friends of Ivory Coast".

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#90292d4720 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 19) - President George Bush met here Friday with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbechev's special envoy for the Gulf crisis and pledged that there would be no compromise with Iraq over the issue of Baghdad's

withdrawl from Kuwait.

"I'm determined ... that (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein's aggression not be rewarded by some compromise," Mr. Bush said prior to his meeting with Yevgeny Primakov. "The bottom line is he can't prevail," Mr. Bush said.

Mr. Primakov, who travelled to Baghdad earlier this month then visited European capitals before coming to Washington, denied suggestions that he was carrying a possible offer of compromise from the Iraqi president.

"I'm not a messenger," he said.

After meeting Thursday with Secretary of State James Baker, Mr. Primakov ruled out any deal with Mr. Hussein that would reward Iraq for pulling out of Kuwait.

"We should look for some possibilities to avoid, from my point of view, the military clashes, but not reward Iraq, of course, with its actions," Mr. Primakov said in English.

Asked if he carried a proposal from the Iraqi leader for negotiations based on something other than a complete Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, he answered, "Let me not comment on your very wise question."

Mr. Primakov's trip to Iraq led to Soviet press reports, later denied officially in Baghdad, that Iraq might consider withdrawing from Kuwait if Baghdad could retain two strategic islands in the Gulf and a disputed oil field.

Mr. Baker Tuesday flatly rejected such a partial solution, likening it to appeasement, and restated that position Thursday in congressional testimony after meeting with Mr. Primakov.

Mr. Baker told the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives "there are some indications" Mr. Hussein "might be receptive to some sort of partial solution approach" to the crisis.

But, he added, "we don't think a partial solution is acceptable. It would be an extradordinarily bad principle to set there."

Mr. Baker also said not all the European countries complying with sanctions against Iraq would be willing to take part in a military strike operation against Baghdad.

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#90292d4790 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 19) - A four-day Daijosai Imperial ceremony is scheduled here for November 22-25 after Japanese Emperor Akihito's enthronement ceremony is held

on November 12, the Imperial Household Agency said Friday.

Daijosai is a traditional ceremony to mark a succession to the throne and it consists of three rituals - Yukiden Kyosen No Gi (rite of rice offering at the Yuki hall), Sukiden Kyosen No Gi (rite of rice offering at the Sukiden hall) and Daikyo No Gi (banquet).

A group of scholars and religious representatives recently asked the government not to finance the Daijosai, which they consider to be a Shinto ceremony.

They argued that expenditures of public money for the Daijosai violate Japan's constitution, which prohibits the government from supporting specific religions.

The rituals will be held at Daijokyu halls specially built in the garden of the Imperial Palace in central Tokyo, the Imperial Household Agency said. About 1,000 Japanese are expected to attend each Daijosai ritual and foreign representatives will not be invited, it said.

The Japanese government has sent invitations to 167 countries and two international organizations for the enthronement ceremony, officials said. But recently it revoked the invitation to Iraq for Baghdad's invasion and annexation of Kuwait in early August, they said. Emperor Akihito succeeded his father, Emperor Hirohito, who died January 7 last year.

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#90292d4800 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) - The United States is preparing rotation plans to replace weary soldiers in the Gulf, possibly with forces now stationed in Europe, The Washington Post reported Friday quoting Pentagon officials. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney is to decide on a rotation policy over the next two weeks, the officials were quoted as saying.

The plan may come up against North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) policies which in the past barred sending U.S. troops in Europe, currently numbering about 300,000, to other hot spots around the globe.

The officials said there have been no NATO objections so far, although they pointed out that Congress and certain provisions in U.S.-Soviet arms control agreements could also pose snags to any rotation scheme involving U.S. troops in Europe. If the rotation plan goes through, it would be the first time since World War II that U.S. military units in Europe were deployed elsewhere.

The sources said the U.S. military buildup in Saudi Arabia codenamed Operation Desert Shield should be complete within the next two or three weeks, while full logistical support taking another month in arriving. Defense Department

spokesman Bob Hall said that more than 200,000 U.S. troops are facing Iraqi forces in the Gulf region.

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#90292d4830 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 19) - Natural rubber prices recovered from a weak start and ended little changed on Friday compared with the previous week on the London physical market, traders said.

The price for Ribbed Smoked Sheet No. 1 (RSS 1) for November delivery closed at 515 pounds per tonne against 512.5 the previous Friday.

Persistent lack of demand against a background of peak production was responsible for early losses, traders said. But a technical recovery on the Tokyo futures market later provided some support.

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#90292d4840 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 19) - French President Francois Mitterrand Friday instructed his defence minister to come up with "concrete proposals" in the next two months on the future of French nuclear deterrence, an official statement said Friday.

Defence Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement was asked to prepare his proposals by the end of the year "in order to safeguard the future of French nuclear defence and maintain its credibility, with the next century in sight," the statement said.

A decision from Mr. Mitterrand on the future of France's independent nuclear strike force had been expected since Monday, when he told a news conference that he would make a statement before the end of the week.

France is currently faced with the choice of whether to go ahead with the planned modernisation of France's land-based strategic nuclear missiles, or to phase them out in order to develop an air-to-surface weapon which would be carried by the new Rafale fighter.

Britain is to decide in the next few weeks whether to contribute to the air-to-ground missile known as the ASLP (air-sol longue portee) which would have a range of 1,500 kilometres (937 miles).

The military hierarchy is reported to be split on the options.

A decision to phase out the 18 ground-to-ground missiles at the southern Albion plateau base would be a major shift in France's cherished nuclear strike force, as it would involve the elimination of an entire branch of France's nuclear defence which enjoys widespread public support.

The strike force has three components: the surface-to-surface missiles with a range of 3,500 kilometres (2,200 miles), medium-range weapons carried by 18 Mirage-4 aircraft, and strategic and short-range missiles on board France's five nuclear submarines.

Mr. Chevenement on Wednesday said however it was "too early" to talk of eliminating the Albion plateau.

Parliament is to debate France's nuclear forces when deputies consider updating the military programme for four years from 1992.

The nuclear programme in 1991 is to cost some 33 billion francs (6.5 billion dollars).

Military experts say that the need to overhaul the nuclear force is dictated both by strategic and budgetary motives at a time when disarmament in Europe is gaining pace.

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#90292d4850 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSTRAVA, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (OCT 19) - At least 31 miners were killed by an underground explosion at a coal mine in Karvina, near here, mining authorities said Friday.

Eight miners were still missing and ten men were injured late Thursday by the methane gas blast, which started an extensive fire in the coal mine ''May 1''.

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#90292d4880 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (OCT. 19) - British rock star Eric Clapton made a surprise return to Buenos Aires Friday in hopes of marrying a young Argentine waitress who stole his heart when he was in town earlier this month to give a concert.

The 45-year-old musician told reporters on his arrival that he met his hopeful bride-to-be, Ana Maria Roques, 24, at a posh Buenos Aires restaurant where he and his band dined when they were in town for the concert at River Plate soccer stadium.

The convent-educated Miss Roques still lives with her parents, who friends said were not too keen on her marrying a world-travelling musician two decades her senior.

Mr. Clapton did not say if Miss Roques had accepted his marriage proposal, but said he plans to wed her in March, after he completes the current world tour to promote "Journeyman," the guitar virtuoso's latest album.

Aside from parental disapproval, Miss Roque and Mr. Clapton have a slight communication problem: she speaks no English and his Spanish is limited to "Buenos Dias."

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#90292d5030 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 19) - Aluminium lost ground Friday on the London Metal Exchange (LME), on news of a big jump in LME stocks, traders said.

Aluminium was quoted at 1,820 dollars per ton on the kerb (three months delivery), against 1,818 dollars at the close of the afternoon ring and 1,845 Thursday.

The latest LME statistics showed a 17,500-ton rise in LME stocks to 161,000 tonnes, their highest level since July.

Copper continued Thursday's rally. It finished at 1,354 pounds per tonne on the kerb, unchanged from the ring but up 20 pounds from Thursday.

Nickel recovered following Thursday's liquidations: it ended at 8,400 dollarston on the kerb against 8,350 and 8,450 dollars.

Tin also improved: it closed at 6,240 dollarston on the kerb against 6,210 on the ring and 6,180 Thursday.

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#90292d5050 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (OCT 19) - Yugoslavian President Borisav Jovic called in parliament Friday for the country to "avoid catastrophe" from ethnic conflict.

Mr. Jovic was speaking to the parliament after a three-day session by the legislature failed to resolve a confrontation over the future form of the government.

Ethnic Serbs advocate a centralized federation while Croats and Slovenes seek a looser confederation.

The Croats and Slovenes managed to have postponed a report by Mr. Jovic calling for a vote for the federal model. Instead Mr. Jovic, who is a Serb, called Friday for Yugoslavians to resolve their differences in a spirit of tolerance.

The debate is expected to be put off until elections are held in Yugoslavia's six republics. Only two of them, Slovenia and Croatia have so far held ballots throwing the communists out of power.

The Serbs are the largest of Yugoslavia's over 20 ethnic groups.

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#90292d5110 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT 19) - United States Secretary of Defence Dick Cheney arrived in Paris Friday from Moscow where he said the U.S. would remould its defence strategy because there was no longer a risk of attack by the Soviet Union.

''I began as a sceptic, but I have been persuaded by the events of the last 18 months that we are entering a new era of Soviet-American relations,'' he said at a joint news conference with the Soviet defence minister, Marshal Dmitri Yazov.

''The United States is undertaking a fundamental revision of its military strategy'' in the face of ''overwhelming evidence'' of changes in Soviet military capabilities reflecting the Kremlin's stated good intentions, Cheney said.

In the next four to five years, the U.S. would reduce its forces by 25 per cent and cut its defence budget by 25 per cent, he added. The Pentagon would maintain 12 to 14 ready-to-deploy army divisions instead of 18 and would cut warship strength from 600 to about 450.

Yazov said the Soviet Union would reduce construction of new intercontinental nuclear weapons by half as soon as agreement was reached with Washington to halve existing stocks.

Cheney and Yazov confirmed they had discussed the Gulf crisis. Yazov reiterated the Soviet view that a political settlement must have priority over military action, while Cheney said there were ''obviously other options'' and Washington had not ruled them out.

In Paris, Cheney is expected to discuss the Gulf crisis with his French counterpart Jean-Pierre Chevenement on Saturday and with President Francois Mitterrand on Monday.

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#90292d5280 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
London (OCT. 19) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

Cash forward
Copper 1.384,00 (1.351,00) 1.353,50 (1.333,50)
Lead 384,50 (380,50) 387,75 (385,50)

Zinc Sh 1.377,50 (1.364,00) 1.367,00 (1.361.00)
Tin 6.195,00 (6.160,00) 6.207,50 (6.175,00)
Aluminium 1.967,50 (2.020,00) 1.816,50 (1.843,50)
Nickel 8.525,00 (8.675,00) 8.337,50 (8.449,50)

(last three in dollars per ton)

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#90292d5290 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (OCT. 19) - The European Economic Community will grant emergency aid of 350,000 ECU (455,000 dollars) to help flood victims in the Chinese provinces of Fujian and Zhejian, an EEC Commission spokesman announced on Friday.

The aid, to be used particularly by the Belgian chapter of the Medecins sans Frontieres medical aid agency, will make it possible to supply 280,000 homeless people with medicines and basic necessities, the spokesman said.

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#90292d5370 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIRUT (OCT 19) - The family of ousted Christian military chief General Michel Aoun was set to leave for Paris after an agreement Friday between the French and Lebanese governments.

A diplomatic convoy left from the French Embassy, where relatives and close associates have sought refuge together with the rebel general, under Lebanese military escort and arrived at the airport, correspondents said.

Two French government planes, which arrived here earlier Thursday, were waiting at Beirut International Airport to fly to Paris with the group, believed to number 16 people.

Diplomatic sources said an accord had been reached to evacuate Gen. Aoun's wife, Nadia, their three daughters as well as army officers and relatives.

Gen. Aoun himself remained holed up in the embassy. France has given him diplomatic asylum, but the Lebanese government has refused to allow him to leave Lebanon.

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#90292d5550 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (OCT. 19) - Japan is to grant Uganda 2.7 million U.S. dollars to help finance an increased food production programme in the East African nation, the Japan Information and Culture Centre here announced in a statement Friday.

Under the agreement, the grant would be for provision of fertilizers, agricultural chemicals and equipment and agricultural machinery to the Ugandan government for distribution to and use by farmers in Uganda.

The agreement was signed here between Uganda's acting high commissioner to Kenya, Jotham Atwoki Kamanyire, and the Japanese charge d'affaires to Uganda, based in Nairobi, Shisei Kaku.

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#90292d5740 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 19) - President George Bush ended talks with Soviet presidential aide Yevgeny Primakov Friday confident Moscow would continue to adhere to the Gulf crisis stance adopted at the Helsinki superpower summit, a White House spokesman said.

Moscow would not press for linking the Gulf crisis and the Iraeli-Arab conflict, said the spokesman, Marlin Fitzwater.

Bush met for an hour with Primakov, who briefed the president on his recent meeting in Baghdad with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Primakov emerged from the talks with Bush saying he had not proposed any new, more detailed ideas for resolving the crisis. But Primakov added, ''I cannot say that I have become less moderately optimististic than I used to be before.''

Fitzwater said Bush ''emphasized that the international focus is on the use of sanctions and diplomacy to accomplish the peaceful withdrawl of Iraq from Kuwait, but that the international community is prepared to consider alternative options.''

He added that Bush valued the new-found close ties between Moscow and Washington as ''an important signal to Saddam that he is truly isolated''.

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#90292d5900 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 19) - General Colin Powell, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, will head for Saudi Arabia Sunday for talks with the top U.S. field commander there as well as with U.S. and Saudi officials in Jeddah and Riyadh, the Defense Department said Friday.

It will be Gen. Powell's second trip to the Saudi Arabia since President George Bush ordered a massive deployment of U.S. forces to the oil-rich desert kingdom August 7 to deter any Iraqi attack in the wake of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The Pentagon gave no further details on Gen. Powell's trip but he was expected to discuss the complex issue of establishing a command structure for the U.S.-led multinational forces deployed in and around Saudi Arabia.

At the State Department, spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said six individuals -- U.S. citizens and their foreign-born family members --, were authorized to leave Iraq this week and were in Amman, Jordan, Friday.

Another American was turned over to the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad and was to leave Iraq via Amman in the next few days, she added.

"To the best of our knowledge, only one American is being held in the Mansou-Melia (hotel in Baghdad) at this time," Miss Tutwiler said.

She added that "the Iraqis still have not provided us with a list of the Americans that they have detained."

Several hundred Americans and other Westerners are believed to have been moved to key Iraqi military and industrial installations to be used as human shields to deter a U.S. attack.

"We still have not received a response from the Iraqis concerning our request for the immediate evacuation of all American citizens with serious medical conditions," Miss Tutwiler said.

Earlier Friday, The Washington Post quoted Pentagon officials as saying Washington was preparing rotation plans to replace weary soldiers in the Gulf, possibly with forces now stationed in Europe.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney is to decide on a rotation policy over the next two weeks, the officials were quoted as saying.

The plan may come up against North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) policies which in the past barred sending U.S. troops in Europe, currently numbering about 300,000, to other hot spots around the globe.

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#90292d5950 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 19) - Israel has withdrawn its assurances not to settle Soviet Jews in occupied East Jerusalem, but pledged not to use U.S. funds in building new housing there, sources said Friday.

The State Department acknowledged receipt of a letter Thursday from Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy, but said it considered the assurances still in place.

According to an account of the letter in the New York Times, Levy said Israel

was under ''no obligation - directly or indirectly - not to build in Jerusalem or to limit building in Jerusalem, or in any other place.''

It said the letter noted however that Israel would not use 400 million dollars in U.S. loan guarantees to build immigrant housing on ''geographic regions'' which Israel did not rule before June 5, 1967.

The Times interpreted the letter, and the fact that it was leaked to the Israeli press, as an effort by Levy to show himself tough with Washington and uncompromising on the question of East Jerusalem's annexation.

On October 2, Levy said in a letter addressed to Baker that Israel would not settle immigrants in occupied areas in exchange for the 400 million dollar housing loan guarantees.

Baker had made it clear that Israel would not receive the loan guarantees until it pledged not to settle Jews in occupied territories.

''The United States has assurances concerning the 400 million dollar housing loan guarantee,'' State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said Friday.

''We do not believe that the letter received yesterday changes those assurances,'' she said.

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#90292d5980 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PANAMA CITY (OCT. 19) - A large quantity of weapons, including mines, was stolen from Rodman U.S. Naval Base on the Pacific side of the Panama Canal, the U.S. Southern Command announced Friday. The U.S. military mounted an extensive search for the robbers and the weapons, a spokesman from the U.S. Southern Command said.

It was unclear whether the theft was linked to a foiled plot by a group of Panamanian military officers, former military men, and civilians to overthrow the government of President Guillermo Endara.

Attorney General Rogelio Cruz told a press conference Thursday the coup leader was Colonel Eduardo Herrera, a former security chief now living in Miami, Florida.

One of the plotters allegedly confessed that several dynamite explosions in Chiriqui province and bombs recently set off in the homes of the comptroller and the treasury minister were intended to have a destabilizing effect.

The pro-government Diario Independiente reported Thursday that the conspirators had planned to provoke disturbances and to stir public discontent in Panama.

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#90292d6070 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LUXEMBOURG (OCT 19) - European Community (E.C) agriculture ministers failed here Friday to draft a proposal on reducing worldwide farm subsidies and have now left it to the community's foreign ministers to seek a way out of the deadlock.

Only three of the E.C.'s 12 members - Britain, the Netherlands and Denmark - were prepared to accept the European Commission's proposal to cut supports by 30 per cent by 1996, diplomats here said.

Endorsement of the commission's plan is needed to present to the Uruguay Round of world trade liberalisation talks. The E.C. position should have been presented to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) negotiations by October 15.

More than 100 nations are involved in the Uruguay Round talks which began in 1986 and hopes to reach agreement by December on a liberalised world trade system.

It was the third meeting of E.C. agriculture ministers in less than two weeks to try to find agreement on the subsidies issue. Diplomats spoke of hardening of viewpoints between the nine members who reject the plan and the three who support it.

E.C. foreign ministers will continue the search for a solution on Monday. Italian Agriculture Minister Vito Saccomandi, current head of the E.C. Council of Ministers, said he had ''great doubts'' that foreign ministers would be able to achieve a different result.

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#90292d6350 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUDAPEST (OCT 19) - Hungarian government officials and sources from the oil industry predicted Friday that petrol prices would jump by 50 to 70 per- cent as a consequence of the Gulf crisis and a shortage of Soviet oil supplies.

Raising prices cannot be delayed for long, as present prices were calculated on the basis of 16 dollars per barrel, finance ministry senior official Jozsef Lukacs said, as quoted Friday by Nepszava.

The new price of petrol can reach 62 forintslitre (one dollar), the trade unions daily was informed by another official, Barna Szeman, who is responsible for oil prices at the government's Price Office .

Experts believe the government will keep petrol prices as low as possible to

avoid boosting inflation, now 30 per cent a year.

If government officials decide to raise petrol prices, it could easily turn out to be a mere beginning. The next phase is to come in 1991, when Hungary will have to pay a market price for Soviet oil, three time as much, due to the switch-over to hard currency in Eastern Eropean trade.

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#90292d6910 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 19) - The State Department Friday said international observers should be allowed to monitor elections in Yugoslavia and voiced concern about mounting ethnic and political tensions in that country.

Free elections have so far been organized only in the Yugoslav republics of Slovenia and Croatia, where communists were ousted from power. An election is scheduled to be held in Montenegro December 9.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler expressed concern about the potential impact of the current tensions in Yugoslavia "on the transition to democracy and free markets which we have encouraged throughout Central and Eastern Europe."

"We believe that democracy is the enduring basis for a united, prosperous, and voluntary Yugoslav union," she said. "Free and fair elections, both at the republic and federal level, are essential to establishing democracy throughout Yugoslavia.

"As in other elections in Central and Eastern Europe this year, the upcoming elections in all Yugoslavian republics should be open to international observers. We should strongly oppose any use of force that would block democratic change in Yugoslavia," she said.

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#90292d6990 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (OCT 19) - The family of ousted Christian military chief General Michel Aoun left here for Paris after an accord Friday between France and the Lebanese government.

The general's wife, Nadia Aoun, their three daughters and eight other civilians left on board a French government plane following a five-hour delay at Beirut International Airport where they were searched by Syrian troops.

Also on board, according to reliable sources at the airport, were the wives and children of Gen. Aoun's close aides, General Issam Abu Jamra and Lieutenant-Colonel Adel Sassin.

A Lebanese Defence Ministry spokesman said 150,000 dollars were confiscated from the wife of Gen. Abu Jamra during the search.

The government decided Wednesday to freeze the assets in Lebanon of Gen. Aoun and of his closest aides, Gen. Abu Jamra and Gen. Edgard Maalouf. The three officers have taken refuge in the French Embassy.

French ambassador Rene Ala unsuccessfully argued that the luggage of the departing group was covered by diplomatic immunity and should not be searched.

French diplomatic sources said earlier an accord had been reached to evacuate 16 people, including three officers, but government sources said only women and children were being allowed to leave.

The group of evacuees was brought to the airport in a French diplomatic convoy under tight Lebanese military security.

France has given Gen. Aoun diplomatic asylum, although the Lebanese government has refused to allow him to leave Lebanon and said he should stand trial on charges of embezzling public funds.

He was ousted on October 13 from his headquarters northeast of Beirut in a Syrian-led offensive.

(In Paris the French Foreign Ministry confirmed the departure of the plane carrying 12 people including the Aoun family and said talks were continuing to obtain permission for Gen. Aoun and his aides to leave Beirut).

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#90292d7110 10/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (OCT 19) - President George Bush met Friday with a special Soviet envoy, reaffirming bluntly that he would not accept any compromise solution to the Gulf crisis nor exclude the use of military force to push Iraq out of Kuwait.

"I'm determined ... that (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein's aggression not be rewarded by some compromise," Mr. Bush said prior to his meeting with Yevgeny Primakov. "The bottom line is he can't prevail."

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater reported after the hour-long meeting that "the president's resolve was firm and firmly expressed."

"President Bush made it quite clear that we have a military presence in the Gulf ... Certainly everyone has to be aware that those forces are available should their use be necessary," he said.

Mr. Primakov, sent round the world by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to

assess options in the crisis, briefed Mr. Bush about his talks in Baghdad with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and his subsequent conversations with government leaders in Rome and Paris.

The Soviet envoy's tour raised speculations worldwide over a possible compromise solution.

But, asked whether he brought any message from Iraq, Mr. Primakov said there was "no message from Saddam Hussein because I'm not a messenger."

Mr. Fitzwater said flatly, "he didn't bring any proposal."

Mr. Primakov said he had not brought any "convoluted" or "detailed" ideas, but said the Soviet Union was trying to do its utmost -- through peaceful means -- to obtain the results envisioned by various U.N. Security Council resolutions.

"I cannot say that I have become less moderately optimistic than I used to be before," he said. "I believe that we should not rule out all the possibilities of a peaceful solution until we have exhausted all options."

After Mr. Primakov's visit to Baghdad, reports published in Moscow -- but denied in Baghdad -- said Mr. Hussein had told the Soviet envoy he might pull his troops out of mainland Kuwait in exchange for continued control over two strategic Kuwaiti islands and compensation for losses suffered by Iraq from Kuwaiti overproduction of oil.

Mr. Fitzwater said that Mr. Bush had also insisted that the Gulf crisis not be linked to other problems such as the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

"We are quite firm in that there should be no linkage and I think the Soviets understand that," Mr. Fitzwater said.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker meanwhile proposed after his talks with Mr. Primakov that U.S.-Soviet cooperation be extended to near daily exchanges on a variety of economic and military affairs, including the Gulf crisis.

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#90292e0008 10/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (OCT. 19) EFE - Spanish truckers denied Friday they have agreed to end a bitter 10-day strike that has severely curtailed the delivery of food and other goods throughout the country.

Spokesmen for the six independent truckers' federations that backed the strike said their executive committees have not had time to study what they described as a provisional accord drafted by government negotiators.

Until the union officials meet at 9 a.m. (0800 GMT) Friday and decide whether

or not to accept the government's offer, the strike is still on, the truckers said.

A Ministry of Transport source said earlier Friday that an agreement had been reached after all-day talks and that the strike had been called off.

Business sector leaders estimate that the stoppage has caused an estimated dlrs 500 million in losses.

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#90292e0012 10/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (OCT 19) EFE - Striking Spanish truckers met Friday to discuss whether to accept a provisional accord to put an end to a costly 11-day-old strike which has hit food and industry supplies throughout the country.

Union officials opened an assembly meeting in the Transport Ministry headquarters shortly after 9 a.m. (0800 GMT) to debate calling off the strike which has already cost some dlrs 500 million in lost work days and undelivered goods.

Union leaders Thursday held marathon talks with government representatives and came up with a provisional agreement which would bring recognition of the independent truckers' federations and open up detailed talks on their grievances.

Since beginning their strike action 11 days ago, the truckers have pushed for a hike in haulage rates to compensate for a 24 per cent rise in the price of diesel fuel since the Gulf crisis began two months ago.

They are also demanding pension guarantees for those who take early retirement at age 60.

The provisional accord reached Thursday would give the independent truckers representation in future meetings between central and local government officials and unions which are already officially recognized.

But Jesus Ontoria, a strike leader in the northern province of Navarre, said he doubted Friday's union assembly would call off the strike.

"We very much doubt an agreement can be reached," he said, adding that, "We are going to continue, for better or for worse."

The strike, which has brought sporadic violence, has hit the supply of foodstuffs -- especially fish, vegetables and milk -- raw materials and spare parts.

The Spanish Confederation of Business Organizations (CEOE) said Thursday that

assembly lines in the automobile and home appliance industries had been reduced to a third of their normal activity.

In the northeastern province of Zaragoza, the U.S. car manufacturer General Motors and the household appliance company Balay, which combined employ more than 10,000 workers, have stopped operations due to a lack of spare parts.

The CSOE has estimated the costs of the strike at dlrs 500 million.

A breakthrough in the strike came Wednesday when the truckers lifted their pickets on major highways around the country and the government said it was ready to open talks.

But French truckers, angry at the delays caused by the strike, have continued to block road and rail traffic along the French side of the border with Spain.

Dozens of Spanish truckers have been arrested on picket lines for blocking traffic or for acts of violence, such as stoning trucks whose drivers ignored requests to halt deliveries.

Nine strikers in the Navarre region were taken to court Friday to face charges for an attack on two farmers.

The accused on Thursday allegedly threw stones at two brothers who had delivered milk from their family farm near the town of Lecumberri, prompting one of the brothers to fire warning shots into the air, police said.

The regions of Galicia, the Basque country, Catalonia, Asturias and Andalucia have been hardest hit by food shortages.

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#90292e0022 10/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LONDON (OCT 19) EFE - The British shipping company P&O Ferries and seven of its employees were cleared Friday of manslaughter charges arising from the capsizing of the Herald of Free Enterprise ferry in March 1987, in which 192 people died.

The ship overturned shortly after leaving the Belgian port of Zeebrugge en route for England, when waves flooded an open cargo door.

The judge called for a verdict after 27 days of the trial during which only 66 of the 138 witnesses were called.

The jury decided that the prosecution could not prove its case of manslaughter and that none of the accused - including five senior employees of the company -- were aware of the dangers of leaving port with the doors open.

David Lewry, the captain of the ship on the day of the accident, said on leaving court that he was satisfied with the verdict, although he would never forget the tragedy.

But the president of an association of relatives of the victims, Maurice de Rohan, said he was +saddened+ by the decision.

De Rohan's daughter, Alison Gaillard, was selected as representing all those who died in the tragedy for the court action.

He said the association intended to form a new group with survivors and families of victims in other accidents to force companies to adopt stricter security measures.

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#90292f1854 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 19) UPI - Grain futures were mixed and soybeans mostly higher at the close Friday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Soybeans and soybean meal were supported by an increase in the weekly soybean export figure. After some early weakness, prices turned higher on short-covering and technical buying.

Corn prices were higher, although gains were tempered by liquidation. Commercials were on both sides of the corn market.

Gains in both corn and soybeans were limited by the prospect of harvest activity continuing during the weekend. There was a slight increase in farmer selling of soybeans, but movement of corn was relatively light.

Wheat prices were narrowly mixed, despite the sale of 450,000 tons of export bonus wheat to China.

Basis levels were mixed.

At the close, corn was up 1/4 to 1, soybeans up 1/2 to 4, wheat unchanged to up 3/4 and oats unchanged to off 1/4.

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#90292h0048 10/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WINDHOEK (OCT. 19) XINHUA - ANTI-APARTHEID CAMPAIGNER, BRITISH ARCHBISHOP TREVOR HUDDLESTON ARRIVED HERE THIS MORNING FOR A FIVE-DAY VISIT TO NAMIBIA AS A GUEST OF NAMIBIAN PRESIDENT SAM NUJOMA.

ARCHBISHOP HUDDLESTON HAS BEEN PRESIDENT OF THE BRITISH ANTI- APARTHEID MOVEMENT SINCE 1981 AND HAD CONSISTENTLY BEEN CAMPAIGNING FOR NAMIBIA'S

INDEPENDENCE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN RULE.

HE WAS A PATRON OF THE SECOND BRUSSELS CONFERENCE ON NAMIBIA AND PARTICIPATED IN THE 1985 UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON NAMIBIA IN VIENNA. IN 1987, HE INITIATED A MAJOR FUND-RAISING PROJECT IN BRITAIN FOR THE SOUTH WEST AFRICAN PEOPLE'S ORGANIZATION (SWAPO), WHICH BECAME THE RULING PARTY OF NAMIBIA IN MARCH THIS YEAR WHEN THE TERRITORY GAINED INDEPENDENCE.

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#90292j0002 10/19/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

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South Africa Now (PBS) October 17, 1990 (Transcript #32)

The Afrikaaner Resisitance Movement (AWB) claims it will launch a rebellion against government reforms; Mandela wins the realease of 35 people in Soweto, as demands for the release of political prisoners lead to more violence; Gregory Rockman, former South African police Lieutenant, discusses the force; black South African businessmen and African-American businessmen meet to discuss new black businesses in South Africa; an in-depth interview with Joe Slovo, General Secretary of the South African Communist Party; South African film depicting black miners' music, as well as the music of the women they've left behind.

Nightline (ABC) October 17, 1990 (Transcript #2453)

The Price of Oil - Who Profits?: Third quarter profits will be embarrassingly enormous, but the oil industry says it's not price-gouging. Senator Joseph Lieberman (D-CT), William O'Keefe of the American Petroleum Institute and oil analyst Bernard Picchi discuss Sen. Lieberman's proposal of a pricing authority similar to the Federal Reserve to replace the speculative market now setting prices.

Crossfire (CNN) October 17, 1990 (Transcript #163)

Gray Power: The Senior Lobby: Paul Hewitt of the National Taxpayers Union and Theresa McKenna of the National Council of Senior Citizens discuss the power of the senior lobby and its role in killing the budget summit plan.

Larry King Live (CNN) October 17, 1990 (Transcript #152)

''Wyley Gates: Guilty or Not Guilty?'' (a discussion concerning Wyley Gates' guilt or innocence in the murder of his family members with attorney Charles Wilcox, and Maime and Pete Brahm, relatives of one of the murder victims); ''John List: A Murderer Captured'' (Ed Illiano, a confidant of one of List's victims, and Joe Sharkey, author of Death Sentence, discuss the case of List, who was captured and convicted 18 years after he murdered his family).

Good Morning America (ABC) October 17, 1990 (Transcript #1133)

Administration's budget view; San Francisco quake, a year later; anti-terrorist ads; Teddy Kollek interview (Mayor of Jerusalem); workaholism; AIDS: a prognosis for America; Steve Martin in Saudi Arabia; plunder of Kuwait's art; Bess Armstrong interview.

Oprah Winfrey Show October 17, 1990 (Transcript #1068)

Staying Together for the Children: Couples debate whether it is better for children to have parents remain together or split up with Dr. Judith Coche and Vicki Lansky, author of Divorce Book for Parents - Helping Your Children Cope With Divorce and Its Aftermath.

Sally Jessy Raphael October 17, 1990 (Transcript #553)

Girls Obsessed With Their Bodies: Thin and attractive teenage girls who believe they are fat and ugly share their reasons for their obsession with their looks. An overweight woman tells them it's more important to cultivate inner beauty than outer beauty; while an image consultant explains that its normal for today's teenagers to feel self-concious.

Geraldo October 17, 1990 (Transcript #805)

Teen Extremes: A debutante, an athlete, a junkie, the class president, a cheerleader, a community service worker, the National Honor Society president, an activist, a punk, a college student, a new waver, a lesbian and an uptown girl discuss their lifestyles and why they enjoy being what they are.

Donahue October 17, 1990 (Transcript #3057)

Asexuality: People who've largely lost the desire for sex try to explore the reasons for their lack of interest and the effect it has on their spouses.

Thursday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Outrage Over Playboy's Campus Centerfolds Sally Jessy Raphael: When Adults Can't Read Geraldo: Hollywood First Wives... Ex-Wives (R) Oprah Winfrey:

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#90292k0006 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

HONG KONG (OCT. 19) KYODO - THE SINO-FRENCH AUTOMOBILE-MAKING JOINT VENTURE PEUGEOT GUANGZHOU HAS BEEN ALLOWED BY THE CHINESE AUTHORITIES TO RAISE ITS ANNUAL PRODUCTION QUOTA, ACCORDING TO A BUSINESS REPORT IN THE SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST ON FRIDAY.

THE INCREASE, FROM 4,700 TO 8,000 VEHICLES PER YEAR, IS THE ONLY SUCH PRODUCTION QUOTA RISE GRANTED TO AN AUTOMOTIVE JOINT VENTURE IN CHINA THIS YEAR.

PEUGEOT GUANGZHOU, BASED IN THE SOUTHERN CHINESE CITY AFTER WHICH IT IS NAMED, HAS ALSO SECURED A 12 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR LOAN FOR FUTURE EXPANSION, THE POST SAID.

THE LOAN, FROM PEUGEOT SHAREHOLDER, BANQUE NATIONALE DE PARIS, IS GUARANTEED BY THE BANK OF CHINA, AND WILL BE SIGNED IN GUANGZHOU ON MONDAY.

PEUGEOT GUANGZHOU WAS FORCED TO CLOSE DOWN FOR TWO MONTHS FROM NOVEMBER 4 LAST YEAR AFTER FULFILLING THE 1989 PRODUCTION QUOTA AND BEING REFUSED ADDITIONAL IMPORT LICENSES FOR FRENCH-MADE PARTS.

PRODUCTION RESUMED IN JANUARY THIS YEAR, BUT NO VEHICLES WERE SOLD UNTIL MAY, WHEN THE CHINESE AUTHORITIES AGREED TO A PRICE RISE TO COVER INCREASED IMPORT COSTS FOLLOWING THE DEVALUATION OF THE CHINESE YUAN IN DECEMBER 1989.

THE POST REPORTED SPECULATION THAT THE PEUGEOT DEAL IS LINKED TO A PROPOSED 300,000-VEHICLE-PER-YEAR SINO-FRENCH JOINT VENTURE WITH CITROEN IN WUHAN, CENTRAL CHINA.

BY GIVING PEUGEOT SUCH A LARGE INCREASE IN ITS PRODUCTION QUOTA, THE CHINESE AUTHORITIES ARE DEMONSTRATING TO CITROEN AND THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT THEIR COMMITMENT TO THE SUCCESS OF AUTOMOTIVE JOINT VENTURES, THE NEWSPAPER SAID.

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#90292k0008 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
HONG KONG (OCT. 19) KYODO - CHINA HAS CUT THE PRICE OF ITS SILK EXPORTS BY 10 PERCENT IN A MOVE TO STIMULATE A SLUGGISH INTERNATIONAL MARKET, A HONG KONG NEWSPAPER SAID FRIDAY.

CHINA IS THE WORLD'S LARGEST SILK PRODUCER, AND IT EARNED 1.4 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS FROM ITS SILK EXPORTS IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF THIS YEAR.

"THE PRICE OF SILK HAD RISEN TOO RAPIDLY OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS AND THE MARKET WAS BECOMING VERY SOFT SO WE HAD NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO REDUCE THE PRICE " THE DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER OF THE CHINA NATIONAL SILK IMPORT-EXPORT CORP, MA DEMING, WAS QUOTED AS SAYING IN THE SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST REPORT.

MA IS CONFIDENT THE PRICE CUT WILL CREATE ENOUGH NEW MARKETS FOR CHINESE EXPORTS TO EXCEED LAST YEAR'S TOTAL OF 1.84 BILLION DOLLARS, THE NEWSPAPER SAID.

THE DECISION TO REDUCE PRICES WAS TAKEN AFTER NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE MAJOR EUROPEAN SILK HOUSES, MA SAID.

THE EUROPEAN HOUSES HAD WANTED TO KEEP THE PRICE OF RAW SILK, 90 PERCENT OF WHICH COMES FROM CHINA, HIGH SO THAT OTHER MANUFACTURERS, PARTICULARLY THE JAPANESE, WOULD BE UNABLE TO UNDERCUT THEM, THE NEWSPAPER SAID.

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#90292k0009 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 19) KYODO - JAPAN'S BROADLY DEFINED MONEY SUPPLY GREW 12.0 PERCENT IN SEPTEMBER FROM A YEAR BEFORE, SLIGHTLY UP FROM AUGUST'S 11.9 PERCENT GROWTH, THE BANK OF JAPAN SAID FRIDAY.

IT WAS THE FIRST ACCELERATION IN FIVE MONTHS IN THE GROWTH OF MONEY SUPPLY -- M2 (CASH AND DEMAND AND TIME DEPOSITS) PLUS CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT (CDS).

CENTRAL BANK OFFICIALS ATTRIBUTED IT TO THE INFLOW OF FUNDS INTO BANK ACCOUNTS AND CDS FROM THE THEN SLUMPING STOCK MARKET.

BUT THIS WAS PARTIALLY OFFSET BY A SLOWDOWN IN THE GROWTH OF BANK LENDING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CENTRAL BANK'S TIGHTENING OF CREDIT, INCLUDING A HIKE OF 0.75 PERCENTAGE POINT IN THE OFFICIAL DISCOUNT RATE TO 6 PERCENT AUGUST 30.

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#90292k0023 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 19) KYODO - JAPAN'S HOUSEHOLD SPENDING IN AUGUST ROSE AN INFLATION-ADJUSTED 1.6 PERCENT FROM THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR, REFLECTING CONTINUING FIRM GROWTH IN DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION, THE MANAGEMENT AND

COORDINATION AGENCY SAID FRIDAY.

"THE CONSUMPTION PICTURE WAS A BIT SOFTER COMPARED WITH THE 2 TO 3 PERCENT UPSWING DURING THE SECOND QUARTER, BUT THE LATEST FIGURE SHOWS NO SIGNAL OF A MAJOR DOWNTURN," SAID NOBUYUKI URATA, DIRECTOR OF THE AGENCY'S STATISTICAL SURVEY DEPARTMENT.

HOUSEHOLD SPENDING ROSE 3.4 PERCENT IN MAY, AND 2.0 PERCENT IN JUNE, BEFORE THE ADVANCE SLOWED TO 1.3 PERCENT IN JULY.

AVERAGE JAPANESE HOUSEHOLD CONSUMPTION IN AUGUST AMOUNTED TO 303,953 YEN, DOWN SLIGHTLY FROM 322,760 YEN IN JULY.

WAGE EARNERS' HOUSEHOLDS SPENT AN AVERAGE 322,946 YEN, UP 1.5 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER, WHILE CONSUMPTION BY NONWAGE EARNER HOUSEHOLDS, SUCH AS THE SELF-EMPLOYED AND FARMERS, GREW 3.1 PERCENT, POSTING AN OVER 3 PERCENT YEAR-ON-YEAR RISE FOR THE THIRD CONSECUTIVE MONTH.

THE INCOME OF WAGE EARNER HOUSEHOLDS CLIMBED 0.8 PERCENT IN REAL TERMS FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 455,300 YEN, FOLLOWING A 2.3 PERCENT LIFT IN JULY.

THEIR AVERAGE DISPOSABLE INCOME INCHED UP 0.2 PERCENT TO 384,387 YEN. SPENDING ON GOODS EDGED UP 1.3 PERCENT, AND ON SERVICES IT SURGED 4.1 PERCENT.

CONSUMPTION WAS STRONG IN FURNITURE AND OTHER HOUSEHOLD GOODS, POSTING AN 11.4 PERCENT YEAR-ON-YEAR UPSWING.

MEDICAL AND HEALTH-CARE SPENDING WAS ALSO BRISK WITH A 5.4 PERCENT RISE, PROPELLED MAINLY BY ROBUST DEMAND FOR STOMACH MEDICINE.

ON THE OTHER HAND, SPENDING ON HOUSING AS WELL AS ON TRANSPORTATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS SLIPPED.

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TOKYO (OCT. 19) KYODO - THE BANK OF JAPAN FRIDAY PREDICTED THAT THE BROAD MEASURE OF MONEY SUPPLY, M2 PLUS CDS, WILL EXPAND BY ABOUT 11 PERCENT IN THE OCTOBER-DECEMBER QUARTER.

THE MEASURE EXPANDED BY 12 PERCENT IN THE JULY-SEPTEMBER QUARTER OF THIS YEAR, DOWN FROM 13 PERCENT IN THE PRECEDING QUARTER.

THE 12 PERCENT FIGURE FELL WITHIN THE BANK'S PROJECTIONS FOR THE TERM. A BOJ OFFICIAL ATTRIBUTED THE PROJECTED DECLINE TO PROSPECTS OF A SLOWDOWN IN YEN LENDING.

AN 11 PERCENT GROWTH IN MONEY SUPPLY IS STILL VERY HIGH RELATIVE TO THE

NATION'S REAL ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE.

THE IMPACT OF FISCAL FUNDS WILL BE NEUTRAL IN THE COMING THREE MONTHS, HE SAID.

ANALYSTS SAID GROWTH WILL ALSO DEPEND ON HOW HIGHER INTEREST RATES WILL AFFECT CORPORATE DEMAND NEEDED FOR CAPITAL INVESTMENT.

THE CENTRAL BANK RAISED THE OFFICIAL DISCOUNT BY 0.75 PERCENTAGE POINT TO 6 PERCENT FLAT ON AUGUST 30 TO COMBAT INFLATIONARY PRESSURES SPRINGING FROM EXPECTATIONS OF EXPLODING CRUDE OIL PRICES FOLLOWING THE AUGUST 2 IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT.

MONEY SUPPLY EXPANSION WILL ALSO HINGE ON WHERE INDIVIDUALS DECIDE TO PUT THEIR MONEY AMID TUMBLING TOKYO STOCK PRICES PROMPTED BY UNCERTAINTY OVER THE FUTURE OF FINANCIAL MARKETS, THEY SAID.

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BANGKOK (OCT. 19) KYODO - THAILAND WILL NO LONGER REQUIRE CITIZENS OF EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES TO HAVE VISAS TO VISIT THE COUNTRY, FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAKTIP KRAIRUEK SAID FRIDAY.

EAST EUROPEANS, WHO WERE FORMERLY SUBJECT TO STRICT REGULATIONS COVERING THEIR ENTRY TO THAILAND AS CITIZENS OF COMMUNIST COUNTRIES, MAY NOW GET 90-DAY VISAS ON REQUEST AT THE THAI EMBASSY IN THEIR COUNTRIES. THAI EMBASSIES HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED TO USE THEIR OWN JUDGMENT IN ASSESSING SUCH VISA APPLICATIONS INSTEAD OF REFERRING THEM BACK TO THE MINISTRY FOR SECURITY CHECKS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

CITIZENS OF ALBANIA, BULGARIA AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA WHICH DO NOT HAVE A THAI EMBASSY, ARE TO BE ALLOWED 15-DAY TOURIST VISAS ON ARRIVAL AT AIRPORTS IN THAILAND, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE NEW REGULATIONS WERE INTRODUCED IN JUNE THIS YEAR, FOLLOWING THE POLITICAL CHANGES IN EAST EUROPE.

THE THAI GOVERNMENT, MEANWHILE, HAD ADOPTED A NEW POLICY TOWARD ALL EAST EUROPEAN BLOC COUNTRIES TO MATCH THE CHANGES, THE SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED.

HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAD LAST WEEK AGREED TO ACCEPT A NEW SIX-POINT POLICY TOWARD EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

THE EMPHASIS OF THE NEW POLICY WAS AWAY FROM SECURITY-ORIENTED CONSIDERATIONS TO PROMOTION OF CLOSER RELATIONS AND ECONOMIC, TRADE, CULTURAL AND MILITARY COOPERATION AT ALL LEVELS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID. THAILAND WAS PARTICULARLY EN TO OPEN MORE TRADE EXCHANS WITH EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES SINCE THE CHANGES THERE LT YEAR, HE SAID.

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#90292k0067 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 19) KYODO - BANK OF JAPAN (BOJ) GOVERNOR YASUSHI MIENO WILL VISIT SOUTH KOREA ON OCTOBER 28, CENTRAL BANK SOURCES SAID FRIDAY.

HE WILL ATTEND A SYMPOSIUM MARKING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SOUTH KOREAN CENTRAL BANK, THE BANK OF KOREA, AND DISCUSS FINANCIAL MATTERS WITH HIS SOUTH KOREAN COUNTERPART, THE SOURCES SAID.

MIENO WILL RETURN HOME OCTOBER 31.

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#90292k0068 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 19) KYODO - JAPAN HAS REVOKED ITS INVITATION TO IRAQ TO SEND A HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIAL TO EMPEROR AKIHITO'S ENTHRONEMENT CEREMONY ON NOVEMBER 12, A FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID FRIDAY.

"IN LIGHT OF IRAQ'S INVASION AND ANNEXATION OF KUWAIT, AS WELL AS OTHER ACTIONS, THE INVITATION TO IRAQ HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN," SAID SPOKESMAN TAIZO WATANABE IN A MEETING WITH FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS.

WATANABE SAID JAPAN'S DECISION WAS FORMALLY CONVEYED TO IRAQI AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN RASHID AL-RIFAI ON THURSDAY BY MAKOTO WATANABE, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE MINISTRY'S MIDDLE EASTERN AND AFRICAN AFFAIRS BUREAU.

HE SAID THE IRAQI ENVOY EXPRESSED REGRET AND PROMISED TO CONVEY THE DECISION TO HIS GOVERNMENT.

PRIOR TO ITS INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2, IRAQ HAD INDICATED IT WOULD DISPATCH VICE PRESIDENT TAHA MUHIEDDIN MAROUF TO ATTEND THE IMPERIAL CEREMONY NEXT MONTH.

THE SPOKESMAN HAD EARLIER INDICATED THAT THE INVITATION WAS BEING RECONSIDERED IN LIGHT OF IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT AND ITS HOLDING OF 139 JAPANESE NATIONALS AT KEY INSTALLATIONS AS "HUMAN SHIELDS" TO WARD OFF ANY MILITARY MOVES AGAINST IT BY MULTINATIONAL FORCES.

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#90292k0072 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
JAKARTA (OCT. 19) KYODO - OCCIDENTAL BERAU OF INDONESIA INC. AND ITS PARTNERS NIPPON OIL EXPLORATION LTD. AND SUN OIL BERAU INDONESIA LTD. HAVE STRUCK NATURAL GAS AT BERAU BAY, IRIAN JAYA, THE INDONESIAN STATE OIL AND GAS COMPANY PERTAMINA SAID FRIDAY.

THE ROABIBA-1 WELL IN BERAU BAY, 3,000 KILOMETERS FROM JAKARTA, PRODUCES A MAXIMUM SUSTAINED FLOW RATE OF 23.6 MILLION CUBIC FEET OF NATURAL GAS PER DAY.

OCCIDENTAL BERAU OF INDONESIA INC., A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM, HOLDS A 40 PERCENT INTEREST, WHILE NIPPON OIL EXPLORATION AND SUN OIL BERAU INDONESIA OWN 30 PERCENT EACH.

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#90292k0074 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 19) KYODO - ASAHI BREWERIES LTD. SAID FRIDAY IT HAS RENEGOTIATED A LOWER PURCHASE PRICE FOR A STAKE IN THE AUSTRALIAN BREWERY, ELDERS IXL LTD., AS THE MARKET PRICE OF ITS SHARES HAS DECLINED SHARPLY RECENTLY.

ASAHI HAD ORIGINALLY PLANNED TO BUY A 19.99 PERCENT STAKE FROM THE AUSTRALIAN BREWER'S MAJOR INVESTOR, HARLIN HOLDINGS PTY. LTD., AT A PRICE OF 2.15 AUSTRALIAN DOLLARS PER SHARE.

HOWEVER, THE MARKET PRICE OF THE SHARES DECLINED SHARPLY AFTER THE AGREEMENT WAS MADE, ASAHI OFFICIALS SAID.

UNDER THE NEW AGREEMENT WITH HARLIN, ASAHI WILL BUY A 17 PERCENT STAKE FROM HARLIN AT A PRICE OF 2 TO 2.15 AUSTRALIAN DOLLARS PER SHARE, AND WILL BUY ANOTHER 2.99 PERCENT IN THE AUSTRALIAN STOCK MARKET, WHERE ELDERS SHARES ARE CURRENTLY TRADING LOWER THAN THE AGREED PRICE WITH HARLIN.

THE VICTORIA-BASED ELDERS IS AUSTRALIA'S LEADING BREWER, AND WITH ITS GROUP FIRMS AROUND THE WORLD, IS THE FOURTH LARGEST BEER PRODUCER IN THE WORLD, ACCORDING TO ASAHI OFFICIALS.

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#90292k0077 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 19) KYODO - THE U.S. HOUSEHOLD SAVINGS RATE WILL TOP JAPAN'S BY THE YEAR 2010, A COMPLETE TURNAROUND FROM THE LONG-PREVAILING TREND, ACCORDING TO PROJECTIONS RELEASED FRIDAY BY ASAHI MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.

THE NATION'S HOUSEHOLD SAVINGS RATE WILL FALL TO 6.5 PERCENT IN THE NEXT 20 YEARS, BELOW THE 7.5 PERCENT PROJECTED FOR THE U.S., ASAHI SAID.

THE HOUSEHOLD SAVINGS RATE IS THE RATIO OF TOTAL SAVINGS, INCLUDING LOAN PAYMENTS, TO DISPOSAL INCOME.

ALTHOUGH JAPAN'S SAVINGS RATE REACHED 14.8 PERCENT IN FISCAL 1988, ITS HIGH LEVEL OF SAVINGS WILL BE PARED DOWN QUICKLY AFTER THE YEAR 2000 BY THE RAPIDLY AGING POPULATION AND ESPECIALLY BY THE BABY BOOM GENERATION BORN BETWEEN 1947-1949.

THE NATION'S LONGSTANDING HIGH LEVEL OF SAVINGS WILL BE LOWERED BY THE LARGE NUMBERS OF THOSE OVER THE AGE OF 60, MANY OF WHOM LIVE OFF THEIR SAVINGS.

THE SAVINGS RATE IS EXPECTED TO FALL TO 12.1 PERCENT IN 10 YEARS AND TO 6.5 NET BY THE YEAR 2010, ASAHAID.

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#90292k0082 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 19) KYODO - KDD FRIDAY APPLIED TO THE POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY FOR APPROVAL OF ITS RATE CUT PLAN, KDD OFFICIALS SAID.

THE OFFICIALS SAID POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS MINISTER TAKASHI FUKAYA WILL PROBABLY APPROVE THE RATE CUT PLAN TO BE INTRODUCED NOVEMBER 1. THE CUT WILL COVER CALLS TO PARTS OF OCEANIA, INCLUDING NEW ZEALAND, AND IN 46 REGIONS IN EASTERN AND NORTHERN EUROPE.

THE NEW RATE WILL BE 28.8 PERCENT LOWER ON AVERAGE THAN THE CURRENT CHARGE WHILE INTERNATIONAL SUBSCRIBER DIALING (ISD) WILL BE REDUCED BY 1.7 PERCENT, COSTING THE COMPANY SOME 2.45 BILLION YEN, THEY SAID.

A THREE-MINUTE CALL TO NEW ZEALAND WILL COST 860 YEN INSTEAD OF 1,300 YEN AND A CALL TO NORTHERN EUROPE WILL COST 1,070 YEN INSTEAD OF 1,450 YEN.

RATES TO PARTS OF GERMANY FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC WILL BE THE SAME AS THOSE TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

A THREE-MINUTE KDD WILL COST 10 YEN MORE TO THE UNITED STATES, 20 YEN MORE TO SOUTH KOREA AND 30 YEN MORE TO WESTERN EUROPE THAN ITS RIVALS INTERNATINAL TELECOM JAPAN INC. (ITJ) AND INTERNATIONAL DIGITAL COMMUNICATION INC. (IDC), WHICH ENTERED THE FIELD IN 1989 AND REDUCED THEIR RATES IN SEPTEMBER.

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#90292k0091 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 19) KYODO - ELEVEN MEMBERS OF A 17-PERSON JAPANESE MEDICAL TEAM RETURNED HOME ON FRIDAY EVENING AFTER INSPECTING HOSPITALS IN SAUDI ARABIA TO EXPLORE THE BEST WAY FOR JAPANESE DOCTORS AND NURSES TO HELP REFUGEES FLEEING IRAQ AND IRAQI-OCCUPIED KUWAIT.

THE TEAM LEFT TOKYO ON SEPTEMBER 18 AS AN ADVANCE PARTY FOR SOME 100 DOCTORS, NURSES AND ASSISTANTS JAPAN HAS PLEDGED TO SEND TO THE PERSIAN GULF REGION AS PART OF ITS CONTRIBUTION TO SOLVING THE GULF CRISIS.

THEY VISITED THE HOSPITALS IN RIYADH AND OTHER MAJOR CITIES IN SAUDI ARABIA AND ALSO VISITED REFUGEE CAMPS IN JORDAN.

THEY WILL DRAW UP A CONCRETE PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE JAPANESE MEDICAL PERSONNEL WHO WILL FOLLOW THEM, AND THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HOPES TO SEND A FULL-FLEDGED MEDICAL TEAM TO THE REGION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE SIX REMAINING MEMBERS ARE PREPARING TO SET UP A BASE IN SAUDI ARABIA FOR THE JAPANESE MEDICAL TEAM, THEY SAID.

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#90292k0093 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 19) KYODO - INTERNATIONAL DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS INC. (IDC) ON FRIDAY APPLIED TO THE MINISTRY OF POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS FOR APPROVAL OF ITS PLAN TO START AN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE FOR MOBILE PHONE USERS.

IDC, BASED IN TOKYO, HOPES TO START THE PROJECTED INTERNATIONAL CAR AND PORTABLE PHONE SERVICE ON NOVEMBER 1.

COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID THE PROPOSED SERVICE WILL BE LIMITED TO SUBSCRIBERS COVERED BY CAR OR PORTABLE PHONE SERVICE CONTRACTS WITH NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. (NTT).

SUCH SUBSCRIBERS CAN MAKE OR RECEIVE INTERNATIONAL CALLS FROM THEIR CAR OR PORTABLE PHONES.

SUBSCRIBERS, IN MAKING INTERNATIONAL CALLS FROM CARS, WILL BE ABLE TO CHOOSE EITHER KDD OR JAPAN'S INTERNATIONAL TELECOM GIANT OR IDC UNDER THE PLAN.

THE CHARGE FOR SUCH CALLS TO THE UNITED STATES WILL BE 710 YEN FOR THE FIRST THREE MINUTES IN THE DAYTIME, TO HONG KONG AND TAIWAN 770 YEN, AND TO BRITAIN 1,080 YEN, OR 10-30 YEN LOWER THAN KDD'S CHARGES.

THE COUNTRIES TO AND FROM WHICH INTERNATIONAL CALLS MAY BE MADE WILL BE LIMITED TO THOSE IN IDC SERVICE AREAS, WHICH COVER 35 COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES.

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#90292k0099 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 19) KYODO - CHINA ON FRIDAY CRITICIZED THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR APPROVING A BILL URGING PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH TO REVERSE A DECISION TO GIVE CHINA MOST-FAVORED-NATION (MFN) TRADE STATUS FOR ANOTHER YEAR.

THE FOREIGN MINISTRY SAID IN A STATEMENT THE BILL WOULD WIELD A SERIOUS BLOW TO SINO-U.S. RELATIONS.

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#90292k0101 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 19) KYODO - PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU REJECTED AN OPPOSITION DEMAND FRIDAY TO REPLACE HIS JUSTICE MINISTER BEFORE A VISIT BY SOUTH AFRICAN ANTIAPARTHEID FIGHTER NELSON MANDELA SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 27-NOVEMBER 1.

KAIFU TOLD THE DIET THAT JUSTICE MINISTER SEIROKU KAJIYAMA SHOULD INSTEAD TAKE THE LEAD IN RAISING THE PUBLIC'S AWARENESS ON MINORITY ISSUES.

THE PRIME MINISTER WAS RESPONDING TO JAPAN SOCIALIST PARTY SECRETARY GENERAL TSURUO YAMAGUCHI AT A SESSION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES BUDGET COMMITTEE.

KAJIYAMA HAS BEEN EMBROILED IN A GROWING CONTROVERSY SINCE HE MADE REMARKS CONNECTING AMERICAN BLACKS WITH TOKYO PROSTITUTES OF FOREIGN ORIGIN A MONTH AGO.

KAJIYAMA HIMSELF APOLOGIZED BEFORE THE COMMITTEE BUT SHOWED DOGGED RESOLVE TO STAY IN OFFICE.

"MY COMMENT WAS NOT AT ALL INTENDED TO EXPRESS RACIAL PREJUDICE BUT IT RESULTED IN HURTING THE FEELINGS OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS AND OTHER PEOPLE CONCERNED," KAJIYAMA SAID.

"MY REMARK WAS INCORRECT AND EXTREMELY INAPPROPRIATE...I DEEPLY APOLOGIZE," KAJIYAMA SAID IN HIS FIRST EXPRESSION OF REMORSE BEFORE THE NATION'S HIGHEST LEGISLATIVE BODY.

HE WAS REFERRING TO AN OBSERVATION HE MADE TO REPORTERS A MONTH AGO THAT PROSTITUTES AND BLACKS ARE SIMILAR BECAUSE THEY BOTH RUIN THE ATMOSPHERE IN RESPECTABLE NEIGHBORHOODS.

KAJIYAMA PLEDGED TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE STATEMENT BY WORKING TO IMPROVE PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING OF RACE ISSUES, THEREBY SUGGESTING THAT HE WOULD NOT RESIGN AS JUSTICE MINISTER.

"IT IS UNFORTUNATE THAT AT SUCH A TIME (MANDELA'S VISIT) THE JUSTICE MINISTER, WHO PLAYS A CRUCIAL ROLE IN PROTECTING HUMAN RIGHTS, SHOULD MAKE SUCH A COMMENT," YAMAGUCHI SAID.

THE GOVERNMENT HAS INVITED MANDELA TO PAY AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO JAPAN AS A DEMONSTRATION THAT RACIAL PREJUDICE IS IMPERMISSABLE AND MUST BE ERADICATED.

EARLIER IN THE DAY, LEADERS OF MAJOR OPPOSITION PARTIES SAID THEY WILL PURSUE KAJIYAMA'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR HIS REMARKS COMPARING BLACK AMERICANS TO FOREIGN PROSTITUTES IN JAPAN.

SHUN OIDE, CHAIRMAN OF THE JSP DIET AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, TOLD REPORTERS THAT HIS PARTY WILL FOLLOW THIS POLICY REGARDLESS OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THE U.S.

THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE ON THURSDAY PASSED

A RESOLUTION SAYING KAJIYAMA SHOULD BE REPRIMANDED FOR HIS DEROGATORY REMARKS, DROPPING AN EARLIER VERSION OF THE RESOLUTION WHICH WOULD HAVE ASKED PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH TO REQUEST KAJIYAMA'S RESIGNATION.

"AS ONE OF THE WORLD'S LEADING DEMOCRACIES THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN SHOULD DEMAND OF ITS OFFICIALS THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF RESPECT FOR THE DIVERSE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD," THE RESOLUTION SAID.

CABINET SPOKESMAN MISOJI SAKAMOTO SAID JAPAN REGRETS THE PASSAGE OF THE RESOLUTION AND SAID, "THE GOVERNMENT MUST TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO REFLECT DEEPLY."

THE RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP) HAS PUT OFF SENDING A MISSION TO THE UNITED STATES TO APOLOGIZE FOR KAJIYAMA'S REMARKS, LDP SOURCES SAID.

THE MISSION LED BY YOSHIRO MORI, FORMER EDUCATION MINISTER WHO SERVES AS ACTING CHAIRMAN OF THE PARTY'S COMMITTEE ON MINORITY ISSUES, WAS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED TO LEAVE TOKYO ON SUNDAY FOR WASHINGTON.

LDP SECRETARY GENERAL ICHIRO OZAWA HASAJIYAMA'S REMARK WAS "INSENSITIVE" BUT FOR AMERICANS TO CRITICIZE THE ENTIRE JAPANESE PEOPLE ON THAT COUNT BORDER ON "RACISM."

"IT IS WRONG TO ASSUME THAT ALL THE JAPANESE ARE SHARING THE VIEW REPRESENTED IN THE STATEMENT MADE BY MR. KAJIYAMA," WATANABE SAID.

THE JUSTICE MINISTRY SAID IT HAS ISSUED A NOTICE URGING THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO DEEPEN UNDERSTANDING ABOUT AMERICAN MINORITIES.

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TOKYO (OCT. 19) KYODO - DESPITE THE YEN'S APPRECIABLE FALL, JAPAN'S FOODSTUFF IMPORTS IN THE FIRST HALF OF 1990 REMAINED AT A RELATIVELY HIGH 15.6 BILLION DOLLARS, DOWN A SLIGHT 1.1 PERCENT FROM THE YEAR BEFORE, THE SEMIOFFICIAL JAPAN EXTERNAL TRADE ORGANIZATION (JETRO) SAID FRIDAY.

THE UNITED STATES, IN PARTICULAR, HAS STEADILY EXPANDED ITS SHARE IN THE JAPANESE MARKET FOR FOODSTUFFS -- FROM 28.9 PERCENT IN 1986 TO 32.5 PERCENT IN THE FIRST HALF OF 1990.

IMPORTS FROM THE U.S. IN THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD TOTALED 5.13 BILLION DOLLARS, DOWN 0.4 PERCENT FROM THE YEAR BEFORE. THE DECLINE WAS DUE MAINLY TO FOREIGN EXCHANGE FACTORS AND OVERSUPPLY OF FISHERIES PRODUCTS IN JAPAN.

JETRO ATTRIBUTED THE STEADY EXPANSION IN THE U.S. SHARE OF THE JAPANESE FOODSTUFF MARKET MAINLY TO A SWITCH IN EMPHASIS IN EXPORTS TO JAPAN TO HIGHER VALUE-ADDED PRODUCTS.

THE OFFICIALS SAID U.S. EXPORTS TO JAPAN OF GRAINS, FRUITS, VEGETABLES, AND FISH AND SHELLFISH ALL SUFFERED A SETBACK, WHILE EXPORTS OF BEEF, FRUIT JUICE, WHISKY AND ICE CREAM BUILT UP, THANKS TO TARIFF CUTBACKS AND OTHER FACTORS.

WHILE THE U.S. USED TO SHIP WHOLE CARCASSES TO JAPAN, IT IS NOW EXPORTING PARTIALLY-CUT BEEF TO THIS COUNTRY. THE U.S. IS ALSO EXPORTING FROZEN VEGETABLES FOR SNACK STORE USE AND HIGHLY PROCESSED MEAT TO JAPAN.

RELATIVELY LOW VALUE-ADDED PRODUCTS, SUCH AS GRAINS, ACCOUNTED FOR 54 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL U.S. FOOD EXPORTS TO JAPAN IN 1988, DOWN FROM 67 PERCENT IN 1982.

ON THE OTHER HAND, COMPARATIVELY HIGH VALUE-ADDED PRODUCTS, SUCH AS FROZEN VEGETABLES AND PROCESSED MEAT AND DAIRY PRODUCTS, REPRESENTED 46 PERCENT IN 1988, UP FROM 33 PERCENT IN 1982, JETRO SAID.

MILLION DOLLARS, TOPPING THE 50 BILLION-DOLLAR MARK FOR THE FIRST TIME. JETRO SAID THE CREDIT SHOULD GO TO A STEEP 20.1 PERCENT INCREASE IN IMPORTS OF LUMBER PRODUCTS, CENTERED ON HOUSING MATERIALS, AMID A HOUSING CONSTRUCTION BOOM.

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#90292k0104 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 19) KYODO - MITSUI AND CO. SAID FRIDAY IT HAS AGREED WITH U.S. FOOD PRODUCER BORDEN INC. TO BECOME A GENERAL SALES AGENT FOR BORDEN'S MARGARINE.

ACCORDING TO THE CONTRACT MADE WITH BORDEN'S JAPANESE SUBSIDIARY, BORDEN JAPAN MITSUI WILL HANDLE BILLING AND EXPAND THE SALES NETWORK FOR BORDEN MARGARINE, WHILE THE JAPANESE SUBSIDIARY CARRIES ON SALES OPERATIONS, MITSUI OFFICIALS SAID.

BORDEN IS CURRENTLY CANCELING ITS BUSINESS TIES WITH MEIJI MILK PRODUCTS CO. DUE TO DIFFERENCES IN MANAGEMENT POLICIES AND HAS BEEN SEARCHING FOR NEW PARTNERS.

THE CONTRACT WITH MEIJI COVERING MARGARINE WAS DISSOLVED EARLIER THIS MONTH. THE CONTRACT ON ICE CREAM WILL EXPIRE NEXT AUGUST AND THAT ON CHEESE IN APRIL 1992, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS.

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#90292k0108 10/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

YOKOHAMA (OCT. 19) KYODO - JEURO CONTAINER TRANSPORT HAS CREATED A JOINT OIL DRILLING AND LUMBERING COMPANY IN THE WESTERN SIBERIAN CITY OF NIJNEVARTOVSK, THE YOKOHAMA-BASED INTERNATIONAL FREIGHT FORWARDER SAID FRIDAY.

THE JOINT FIRM, NAMED JEVART, IS THE TYUMEN OILFIELD'S SECOND JOINT DRILLING FIRM WITH A FOREIGN ENTERPRISE, FOLLOWING A SIMILAR VENTURE WITH A CANADIAN COMPANY, JEURO OFFICIALS SAID.

JEVART IS CAPITALIZED AT 6.5 MILLION RUBLES, OF WHICH 59.5 PERCENT IS PROVIDED BY THE NIJNEVARTOVSK OIL GAS PRODUCTION TRUST, 30.5 PERCENT BY JEURO, AND 10 PERCENT BY THE SOVIET RAILWAY MINISTRY ASSOCIATION.

THE JOINT FIRM WILL ENGAGE MAINLY IN THE LUMBERING BUSINESS IN THE INITIAL PHASE.

JEURO OFFICIALS SAID THAT TWO TO THREE OF THE 23 UNDEVELOPED OIL SITES IN TYUMEN PROVINCE WILL BE CHOSEN FOR DRILLING. THE TIME TO START OIL DRILLING HAS YET TO BE DETERMINED.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE EXPECTED INITIAL OUTPUT WOULD BE 400,000 TO 1 MILLION TONS OF CRUDE PER YEAR.

JEURO IS A PIONEER IN THE TRANSPORTATION OF GOODS TO EUROPE AND IRAN VIA THE TRANS-SIBERIAN RAILWAY FROM THE FAR EAST, MAINLY JAPAN.

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#90292m0002 10/19/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 19) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"There is a temerity in the marketplace," says JEFFREY MONDSCHEIN, manager of foreign exchange at CONTINENTAL BANK in Chicago. "There is little reason to hold on to the dollar." (NYT, 10/19)

"The cheaper your currency gets, it's like giving your country away to foreigners," says ROBERT BRUSCA of NIKKO SECURITIES. "Unfortunately, the first impact of a low currency is that nobody wants to buy anything in your country." (CNN "Moneyline", 10/18)

"The administration is willing to see a weaker dollar because they believe it will make U.S. exports more competitive," says EARL JOHNSON, a vice president at HARRIS TRUST & SAVINGS BANK in Chicago. "But it also has a negative side: It is inflationary, it will push interest rates up and it is going to destabilize financial market." He predicts a further fall in the dollar. (WSJ, 10/19)

"The dollar is weakening," says WILLIAM STERLING of MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MARKETS. "Foreigners are increasingly coming to believe that the U.S.

government

is incapable of delivering a competent fiscal policy." ("Investor's Daily", 10/19)

The Fed "still can't lower rates," says WILLIAM MACREYNOLDS of the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. He says "there's a certain fear of runaway inflation, and these inflation numbers are high enough to instill that fear." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/18)

The moderate CPI figures should be "a welcome sign" for the Fed, says LYNN REASER of FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP. While they may not warrant an easing, she says these figures show that "wages are not keeping up with prices" meaning that "consumer buying power in the near term is going to be squeezed." ("Investor's Daily", 10/19)

A study prepared by GARY and ALDONA ROBBINS for the NATIONAL CENTER OF POLICY ANALYSIS and the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE cautions investors not to expect any prospective budget agreement to lead to interest rate relief. According to the study, "there is little convincing evidence that budget deficits affect market rates of interest and even less evidence that low interest rates prevent recessions or high interest rates cause them." ("Investor's Daily", 10/19)

THE ECONOMY:

A 2.4% increase in the August merchandise trade deficit reported yesterday "was due to oil, and, in fact, we were looking for even more deterioration," says ROBERT BRUSCA of NIKKO SECURITIES. "There's more pressure on oil prices ... there'll be bigger deficits in the months ahead." Brusca says that while we're in for weak GNP numbers, the export "engines will begin firing" next year, which will help boost the economy. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/18)

"There is better news in the export [figure] than you can see," says JOHN MARCHESE of PEGASUS ECONOMETRICS GROUP. He says yesterday's trade figures suffered because the Mideast military buildup hampered shipment of some jetliner orders. "Down [the road] a little bit, with the recession, we will be seeing less imports and more exports with the lower dollar." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/18)

"I hate to put too much emphasis on one figure, but the core inflation number was a positive one," says NORMAN ROBERTSON, chief economist at the MELLON NATIONAL BANK in Pittsburgh. (NYT, 10/19)

"Over the past year, exports have risen about eight percent," says STEPHEN ROACH of MORGAN STANLEY. "That's a pretty solid source of support for an economy that's only growing about one percent." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/18)

"We're not out of the woods yet in factoring in the oil shock" on the economy, says STEPHEN ROACH, senior economist at MORGAN STANLEY. (NYT, 10/19)

"The big issue is whether that huge jump [in energy prices] is going to work its way through the other prices in the economy," says AUBREY LANGSTON & CO. chief economist DAVID JONES. He says that scenario is unlikely, given the relative weakness of the economy. ("Nightly Business Report", 10/18)

"In the near-term, it is hard to remain optimistic on the inflation picture," says MICHAEL NIEMIRA of MITSUBISHI BANK. He points out that not all the increased costs of oil have reached the market, and he believes companies will pass along those costs to consumers until decreased demand forces prices back down. ("Investor's Daily", 10/19)

Much of the economy has been weak "for a long time," according to LEA TYLER of WHARTON ECONOMETRICS. She says even without any further conflict in the Middle East, we're due for a few months of mild recession. ("Christian Science Monitor", 10/19)

"Many commercial banks and life insurance companies, including many large ones are seriously undercapitalized, raising the risk of insolvencies as large loan losses continue," says JAMES O'LEARY, economic consultant to UNITED STATES TRUST COMPANY of New York. (NYT, 10/19)

IN WASHINGTON:

"There can be no dispute that if the Senate bill became law, it would make the tax code more progressive than it is now," says SENATE MAJORITY LEADER GEORGE MITCHELL (D. - Maine). (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/18)

"Not one bit of pork, waste, fraud and unnecessary spending will be cut out of the budget," predicts HERITAGE FOUNDATION budget analyst SCOTT HODGE. He says for every dollar of increased revenue, there will be $1.90 in new spending. MARC WHEAT of CITIZENS FOR A SOUND ECONOMY says, "They're not decreasing spending. They're just increasing the fees and calling them 'spending cuts.'" ("Investor's Daily", 10/19)

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Larson-Davis Inc. (NASDAQ: LDII) announced today that one of its operating subsidiaries, LD Info Inc., has completed the sale of a 36 percent equity interest to Commerce Clearing House Inc. ("CCH"), a major publisher of legal and accounting reference works and other publications. Larson-Davis will continue to hold the remaining 64 percent equity interest in LD Info. The stock was issued in exchange for an undisclosed payment of cash to LD Info, a substantial portion of which was used to repay prior advances to LD Info by Larson-Davis.

LD Info had previously licensed its proprietary data storage, indexing, and retrieval software to CCH for use in connection with existing CCH bound publications. LD Info and CCH are currently negotiating a license agreement that would permit use of the proprietary technology by CCH for additional specified applications. The purchase of the equity interest by CCH provides LD Info with additional working capital and permits CCH to participate as a minority owner in the broader potential market applications of LD Info's computer technology.

The equity infusion corresponds with the initiation of a marketing effort to commercialize the application of LD Info's technology. Dan J. Johnson, an officer and director of Larson-Davis, has been appointed as chief executive officer of LD Info. James McNeill, vice-president of CCH, has been appointed to the board of directors of LD Info.

The common stock of Larson-Davis is listed on NASDAQ under the symbol "LDII" and on the Boston Stock Exchange where it is traded under the symbol "LDI".

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#90292p7021 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Geodynamics Corp. (NASDAQ: GDYN) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the additional repurchase of up to 200,000 shares of geodynamics common stock at a meeting held on Oct. 17, 1990.

Robert Paulson, president and chief executive officer, announced that the board of directors had approved the relocation of the company's headquarters to Los Angeles to be in closer proximity to customers and the financial community. Certain administrative functions will still be located in the company's offices in Santa Barbara. Paulson also announced that the company would shortly commence installing a new state-of-the-art, company-wide management information system.

At the annual shareholders meeting, the entire slate of directors was elected and Arthur Andersen & Co. was confirmed as the company's independent certified public accountants.

The company provides sophisticated systems engineering and custom applications software in support of United States government intelligence and military programs. On Oct. 16, 1990, Geodynamics announced a current fiscal year revenue increase for the first quarter of 20.6 percent over the last fiscal year revenues reported during the same period.

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DALLAS (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Mary Kay Corporation announced today that it had extended to midnight, October 19 the period during which the holders of its 15 percent discount debentures could consent to certain proposed amendments to the terms of the debentures and receive a cash payment of $10 per $1,000 principal amount of debentures.

The company also extended to midnight, October 19 the period during which tendered bonds would be given priority for purchase in its previously commenced tender offer for up to 64 percent of the debentures. The tender offer remains scheduled to expire at midnight on October 30.

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#90292p7026 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARSIPPANY, N.J. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Nutritional Services Inc. (OTC: HNSI) today announced preliminary results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Revenues for the quarter are expected to be approximately $21 million compared to $17 million for the third quarter of 1989. Earnings are expected to be level with the $0.18 earned in last year's third quarter on 18 percent more shares outstanding for the current period.

While the quarterly growth in revenues is strong, it was impacted by lower patient census than anticipated at a few of HNS' larger centers in September and generally slower than expected growth at recently opened centers. These factors were not caused by increased pricing pressures or reimbursement-related issues. HNS is in the process of addressing center performance by the recent addition of Nick Grabko, as chief operating officer, whose focus is on field operations.

HNS expects to report an improvement in its days-sales-outstanding (DSOs) in accounts receivable in the third quarter of 1990 to 150 days, compared to 168 days in the first quarter of 1990 and 159 days in the second quarter of 1990. HNS believes this is the direct result of its focus on reimbursement, which began in the first half of 1990, and the increase in personnel in the reimbursement department.

HNS expects to release its final earnings within 10 days. HNS, a 66 percent-owned subsidiary of Healthdyne (NASDAQ: HDYN), is a national provider of home infusion therapies and related services. Founded in 1980, HNS is one of the oldest and largest providers of home infusion care, with operations in

26 states that are conducted through 29 regional centers, 18 satellite facilities and 25 additional sites of service. HNS is recognized as a leader in quality care and clinical sophistication.

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LIVERMORE, CA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Triad Systems Corp. (NASDAQ: TRSC) today reported operating income of $19.9 million for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 204 percent over fiscal 1989's $6.5 million.

Triad President and Chief Executive Officer James R. Porter said the company closed fiscal 1990 with a strong cash position of more than $10 million. Triad's 1990 operating income includes a $2 million credit due to a reduction in bonus accruals associated with stock options, compared to a $2 million charge for the same purpose last year. Noting this variance in income, Porter said Triad is considering alternatives to minimize such shifts in the future.

Triad's fiscal 1990 revenues of $144.7 million were down 2.2 percent from a record $148 million of 1989. An 8.6 percent increase in service revenues to $73.4 million partially offset a systems revenues decline of $7 million.

"Our operating results came in about where we expected them to be," Porter said. "Our service operations continued their steady growth, partially offsetting declines in retail hardgoods and automotive retail and warehouse system revenues. Domestic automotive system revenues were virtually even with fiscal 1989."

Porter said Triad's Information Services revenues increased 29 percent to a record $12.9 million from $10 million in fiscal 1989, contributing a "steadily growing stream of recurring revenues. Our Electronic Catalog now serves more than 16,000 automotive counter positions nationally, 24 percent more than at year-end 1989."

Customer Services revenues rose 5.1 percent to $60.5 million from $57.6 million a year ago. Porter added that Triad's TSC Leasing subsidiary continued to provide a source of potential liquidity by building its lease portfolio to $26.8 million after financing more than 57 percent of Triad's system sales in fiscal 1990.

Triad ended the year with net income of $3.6 million, or 31 cents per share, compared to $5.7 million, or 63 cents per share, in fiscal 1989. Fiscal 1990 was Triad's first full year of operations following its August 1989 recapitalization.

The company had operating income of $7.6 million for the fourth quarter of

fiscal 1990 compared to $3.9 million last year. Revenues of $41.1 million were down slightly from 1989's $42.4 million. The just- completed quarter's total includes a $1.7 million credit due to a reduction in bonus accruals due to stock options, compared to a $1.3 million charge for the same activity in the fourth quarter of 1989.

Triad's fourth quarter 1990 net income was $2.5 million, or 20 cents per share compared to $1.3 million, or 12 cents per share, in the final quarter of fiscal 1989.

Porter noted that the purchaser of an 8.1-acre parcel next to the Marriott Residence Inn at the entrance to Triad Park has begun construction of a gasoline station, auto lubrication and service shop, car wash and mini-market. Completion is scheduled for early 1991.

Triad designs, develops, manufactures and supports computer systems serving the automotive parts aftermarket, retail hardgoods dealers and dental practices. It also provides lease financing to a substantial portion of its customers through its TSC Leasing subsidiary.

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#90292p7029 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Silicon Graphics Inc. (NYSE: SGI) today announced the 4D/35 upgrade to the Personal IRIS(TM) workstation family. The 4D/35 upgrade extends Silicon Graphics' leadership position in entry-level deskside workstations with an increase of 100 percent in MIPS and 275 percent in MFLOPS over previous Personal IRIS systems. The 4D/35 upgrade continues the Silicon Graphics' tradition of full binary compatibility with the company's entire line of workstations and servers. Current software on the new upgrade runs without modification.

The 4D/35 upgrade is an innovative CPU design based on the 35MHz R3000A processor from MIPS Computer Systems, and highly-integrated Silicon Graphics VLSI components. It delivers 33 MIPS, 6 MFLOPS and a 23 SPECmark rating. The design of the 4D/35 upgrade reflects Silicon Graphics' focus on balanced CPU, I/O and memory performance. In addition to the faster clock speed, the 4D/35 upgrade features many significant performance enhancements including: Ten times the memory throughput, three times the system bus bandwidth and industry-leading SCSI performance.

The 4D/35 upgrade is available for $5,000 when purchased with a new 4D/25 system for a total price of $21,000. Upgrade prices for existing 4D/20 and 4D/25 customers are $9,000 and $11,000 respectively depending on existing configurations. The upgrade will ship in the first quarter of 1991. The Personal IRIS product line begins at $10,000.

Silicon Graphics Inc. is the leading manufacturer of high performance graphics systems, servers and software for three dimensional distributed visual processing applications. The company's products, which range from advanced project supercomputers to low-end desktop models, are used by engineers, scientists and creative professionals in design, analysis, manufacturing and simulation.

IRIS is a registered trademark and Personal IRIS is a trademark of Silicon Graphics Inc.

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#90292p7033 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, ILL. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Spiegel, Inc. (NASDAQ: SPGLA), today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a third quarter dividend of 7 cents per share on the company's common stock versus 5 cents per share for the same period last year. The dividend is payable on Nov. 6, 1990, to stockholders of record on Oct. 30, 1990.

Spiegel, Inc., is the nation's largest catalog direct marketer and a leading specialty retailer. The company markets wearing apparel, household furnishings and other merchandise through semi-annual and specialty catalogs distributed to more than 30 million U.S. households. Wholly-owned specialty retail subsidiaries of Spiegel include Eddie Bauer, Inc., and Honeybee, Inc. Spiegel's Class A non-voting common stock trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the ticker symbol "SPGLA."

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#90292p7034 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

POMPANO BEACH, FL (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Oriole Homes Corp. (AMEX: OHCA, OHCB), a major South Florida builder, today reported the unaudited results of its operations for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

A net operating profit of $1,098,310 or $.29 per share was reported for the 1990 third quarter, compared to $1,224,033 or $.32 per share for the 1989 corresponding quarter. Operating revenues amounted to $21,188,165, compared to $22,542,630 for the same period of 1989.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues amounted to $67,397,172, compared to $72,249,163 in the same period of 1989. A net operating profit of $3,586,381 or $.95 per share was reported, compared to a net operating profit of $4,587,473 or $1.20 per share for the 1989 nine

months. Net profit for the 1989 nine-month period included $936,810 or $.24 per share for the sale of a parcel of land in Broward County, Fla.

Oriole's backlog of undelivered housing at the end of the 1990 third quarter totaled 320 units valued at $39,192,475, compared to 459 units valued at $53,070,013 at the end of the third quarter of 1989.

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#90292p7037 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Ryder System, Inc. (NYSE: R) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.15 per share of common stock, it was announced by Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer M. Anthony Burns. The dividend will be paid on Dec. 20, 1990 to stockholders of record on Nov. 23, 1990.

Ryder System, Inc. is the parent of a group of companies which provide high-quality highway transportation and aviation services. Revenue for the 12 months ended June 30, 1990 was $5.1 billion, and assets totaled $5.9 billion at June 30, 1990.

Ryder System is a component of the Dow Jones Transportation Average and the Standard & Poor's 500 Index.

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#90292p7039 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WARRINGTON, PA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - American Travellers Corp. (NASDAQ: ATVC) today announced the admission of its subsidiary, American Travellers Life Insurance Co., in the state of Illinois, which is one of the three remaining "key" states the company has currently pending.

California and New Jersey are the remaining two "key" states which the company anticipates admission by year end.

The company specializes in the long-term care and Medicare Supplement insurance markets for senior citizens. Illinois ranks as the sixth largest state in terms of total senior citizen population with more than 1,445,000 senior citizens. Chairman of the Board John A. Powell said he is very excited to announce this admission and said, "Illinois offers an outstanding marketing opportunity for our company."

American Travellers Life is currently licensed in 36 states plus the District

of Columbia and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Presently, the company has licenses pending in eight additional states.

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#90292p7040 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

READING, PA. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Meridian Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: MRDN) today reported a net loss of $38,483,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, or $.95 per common share, compared to net income of $22,552,000, or $.56 per common share, for the same quarter of last year.

The loss was previously estimated in September, when Meridian announced a comprehensive plan to address the effects of the weakening economy on its loan portfolio and to improve its capital position, strengthen its balance sheet and focus on its core banking and financial services businesses. The plan includes a special $75 million pre-tax addition to the reserve for possible loan losses, the intended sale of Meridian's title insurance operations, the planned sale of its $300 million credit card portfolio and the securitization and planned sale of approximately $300 million of indirect auto loans.

"The loss for the third quarter is within the range we projected last month," said Samuel A. McCullough, Meridian chairman and chief executive officer.

"Our capital position at September 30 is strong, our loan loss reserve is adequate and our non-performing loan coverage compares favorably within the industry. We expect to return to normal levels of profitability in the fourth quarter, to be profitable for all of 1990, and to continue the payment of dividends at current levels. If the economy continues to deteriorate, however and if non-performing assets continue to increase, additional provisions for loan loss reserves beyond normal levels may be required."

In connection with the sale of Meridian's title insurance operations, $17.5 million after tax, or $.43 per share, was charged against earnings for the third quarter and is reflected as loss from discontinued operations in Meridian's financial statements. This sum includes $9,076,000 of third quarter title insurance operating losses and $8,424,000 of both estimated operating losses through the anticipated sale date and projected costs related to the sale of the title businesses. Historical results from Meridian's title insurance operations have been restated to conform to reporting for a discontinued operation. Future title results will also be reported as such.

In the third quarter, Meridian reported a loss of $20,983,000, or $.52 per share, from continuing operations, which includes all activities other than title insurance. This compares to net income of $27,631,000, or $.68 per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

The major factor impacting current quarter results was the provision for possible loan losses, which was $84,665,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $6,974,000 for the same period of the prior year. Included in the provision was the special $75 million pre-tax addition to reserves. During the third quarter, Meridian undertook a re-evaluation of its loan portfolios in response to the continued weakening of the economy and the real estate sector in particular, and in response to the changing banking climate. The special addition was the result of a continued weakening of a number of significant credits in the commercial and real estate loan portfolios which in part resulted in an increase of $27,528,000 in non-performing assets and an increase in potential problem loans since June 30, 1990. Net loans charged off for the third quarter of 1990 and 1989 were $21,001,000 and $5,259,000, respectively.

Non-performing assets were $135,183,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, or 1.59 percent of loans and assets acquired in foreclosure, compared to $67.5 million at Sept. 30, 1989, or .94 percent of loans and assets acquired in foreclosure, and $107,655,000 at June 30, 1990, or 1.29 percent of loans and assets acquired in foreclosure. The reserve for possible loan losses was strengthened from $98,712,000 at June 30, 1990, to $162,376,000 at Sept. 30, 1990. This represents 1.92 percent of loans outstanding, up from 1.18 percent at June 30, and the coverage ratio of loan loss reserve to total non-performing loans at Sept. 30, 1990, was 141 percent, compared to 99 percent at June 30, 1990.

For the third quarter, net interest income increased 17 percent to $105,086,000 compared to $89,961,000 for the same period of 1989. The increase is primarily attributable to growth in commercial and mortgage loans and to the acquisition of mortgage loans from the former Hill Financial Savings Association, which Meridian acquired from the Resolution Trust Corporation in October 1989.

Net interest yield from continuing operations for the third quarter of 1990 was 4.21 percent, unchanged from the second quarter of 1990 and down from 4.30 percent in the third quarter of 1989. The decline from year-to-year was primarily due to a reduction in the benefits from interest-free funding sources.

Meridian Bancorp's earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $3,903,000 compared to $68,385,000 for the same period of 1989. On a fully diluted per share basis, earnings were $.10 and $1.70, respectively.

Earnings from continuing operations for the first nine months of 1990 were $28,736,000, compared to $74,370,000 in 1989. On a per common share basis, Meridian's net income for the year-to-date period was $.71 compared to $1.84 in 1989. The decrease in earnings for the nine-month period was primarily due to the special addition to the reserve for possible loan losses taken in the third quarter of 1990.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $11,780,569,000, an increase of 15 percent from assets of $10,236,570,000 at Sept. 30, 1989. Total loans increased 18 percent to $8,474,133,000 and total deposits were up 24 percent to $9,337,353,000. The increase in deposits is primarily attributable to the assumption of approximately $2,000,000,000 of deposits of the former Hill Financial Savings Association. Total primary capital increased 6 percent to $918,957,000 or 7.69 percent of total assets at the end of the third quarter of 1990. Meridian's capital position remains strong, exceeding the more stringent 1992 risk- based capital regulatory guidelines.

MERIDIAN BANCORP
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Dollars in Thousands, Except Per Share Data)

For the three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Pct. change
Net Income (Loss) From Continuing Operations	($20,983)	$27,631	
Net Income (Loss)	($38,483)	$22,552	
Earnings Per Share From Continuing Operations:			
Primary	($.52)	$.70	
Fully Diluted	(.52)	.68	
Earnings Per Share:			
Primary	($.95)	$.57	
Fully Diluted	(.95)	.56	
Net Interest Income	$105,086	$89,961	17
Return on Average Assets (pct.)	(.71)	1.10	
Return on Average Common Stockholders Equity (pct.)	(11.29)	15.77	
Nine months ended Sept. 30 Net Income From Continuing Operations	$28,736	$74,370	
Net Income	$3,903	$68,385	
Earnings Per Share From Continuing Operations:			
Primary	$.71	$1.96	
Fully Diluted	$.71	$1.84	
Earnings Per Share:			
Primary	.10	$1.75	
Fully Diluted	.10	$1.70	
Net Interest Income	$306,661	$266,288	15
Return on Average Assets (pct.)	.33	1.03	
Return on Average Common Stockholders Equity (pct.)	5.27	14.83	
AT SEPT. 30			
Assets	$11,780,569	$10,236,570	15

Deposits	$9,337,353	$7,503,234	24
Loans	$8,474,133	$7,178,374	18
Stockholders Equity	$681,581	$702,224	(3)

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NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Pacific Scientific Co. (NYSE: PSX) announced the appointment of Robert F. Aldrich as president of the company's Fisher Pierce division located in Weymouth, Mass. He succeeds Charles L. Perry who recently resigned.

Aldrich, 54, has been vice president of the company's HTL/Kin- Tech division. Previously he was the president of Frayer Corp., a management consulting firm specializing in government and financial management, and prior to that he held management positions in manufacturing of electro instruments and industrial/commercial lighting equipment at Chadwick-Helmuth Co. Aldrich is a graduate of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute with a degree in electrical engineering and a master of business administration graduate from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

As president of the Fisher Pierce division, he will head an organization which manufactures proprietary electrical and electronic controls for the world-wide electric utility industry. Fisher Pierce is the leading supplier of outdoor lighting controls.

Pacific Scientific's core business is designing, manufacturing and marketing technology based proprietary products for niche markets. The principal products are electric motors and controls; aircraft equipment, including fire suppression systems, electric generators and alternators; and electric instruments for industry and electric utilities.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Gustavo G. Godoy, four-time Emmy Award winner and veteran broadcast journalist has been named to the newly created post of vice president of news for Telemundo Group, Inc. Godoy will oversee the Spanish-language television network's news operations, including local newscasts produced by Telemundo's seven owned-and-operated stations in New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco/San Jose, Miami, Houston, San Antonio and Puerto Rico.

Godoy's extensive career spans close to 30 years, with numerous assignments in

general market and Spanish-language television news to his credit. He has held various senior positions at the Univision network, where he served as news director of national newscasts, and created domestic and international bureaus, among other accomplishments. He was a co-founder and president of Hispanic-American Broadcasting Corporation (HBC), an international Spanish-language news service whose production and distribution facility in Hialeah, Fla. was acquired as Telemundo's network operations center in 1988. HBC produced nightly news and public affairs programming for Telemundo under Godoy's direction.

Prior to joining Telemundo, Godoy was executive news director of WXTV/Channel 41, a Univision owned-and-operated station serving the New York metropolitan area.

"Noticiero Telemundo-CNN, produced for Telemundo by CNN, as well as local newscasts, will benefit greatly from Gustavo's vast knowledge of all facets of television news," commented Donald G. Raider, Telemundo executive vice president and chief operating officer.

Telemundo Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: TLMD), based in New York City, is a Spanish-language television network operating in the U.S. through its owned-and-operated stations and affiliates, reaching 80 percent of Hispanic households in 37 markets. The company also owns and operates WKAQ-TV, the dominant station in Puerto Rico.

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#90292p7050 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Oak Industries (NYSE: OAK) today announced operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reported net income of $7.9 million, or ten cents per share, for the September 1990 quarter compared to a net loss of $0.7 million, or one cent per share, for the same 1989 period.

Net income for the September 1990 quarter included gains of $7.7 million from the sale of the communications and English electric component controls businesses as well as $0.4 million of operating losses from these discontinued operations. Sales from continuing operations of $33.1 million were up slightly from last year.

The third quarter income from continuing operations improved to $0.6 million from a net loss from continuing operations of $0.9 million last year. This $1.5 million improvement reflects the effects of product line pruning, employee reductions, and lower debt.

William S. Antle III, president and chief executive officer, stated, "The third quarter was a good one for Oak. Our balance sheet and operations were strengthened by the successful sales of the communications and electric component controls businesses."

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $10.2 million, or 12 cents per share, which includes the previously discussed gains, income from discontinued operations of $0.3 million, as well as nonrecurring income of $1.0 million primarily from the settlement of patent litigation.

This compares very favorably to the first nine months of 1989 when Oak had a net loss of $8.3 million, or ten cents per share, which included $5.3 million of net nonrecurring expenses and the results of discontinued operations.

Exclusive of nonrecurring items and discontinued operations, operating income was $1.2 million for the first nine months of 1990 representing an improvement of $4.2 million compared to the same period in 1989. Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $108.9 million, up $1.1 million over the 1989 period.

Oak Industries is a 58-year-old manufacturer of components and controls for the electronics and electrical industries with seven operating divisions. Oak Industries' common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "OAK".

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NASHUA, N.H. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - NFS Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: NFSF) today reported a net profit for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $56,000 or two cents per share. The profit compares with earnings of $496,000, or 18 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had a loss of $920,000, or 33 cents per share, compared with earnings of $1,450,000, or 51 cents per share, for the same period last year.

James H. Adams, president and chief executive officer of NFS, said the results reflect provisions for possible losses on loans and costs related to foreclosed real estate.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total nonperforming assets as NFS were $21.5 million, or 4.2 percent of total assets, compared with $19.4 million or 3.7 percent of total assets at mid-year.

NFS's allowance for loan losses at Sept. 30, 1990, was $3,660,000 or 28.4

percent of nonperforming loans, which totaled $12.9 million. The company's allowance for loan losses at June 30, 1990, was $3,344,000, or 28.8 percent of nonperforming loans, which totaled $11.6 million.

Stockholder's equity at NFS Financial Corp. at Sept. 30, 1990, was $52.4 million, or 10.3 percent of total assets. NFS said its capital ratios continue to exceed all regulatory requirements.

NFS FINANCIAL CORPORATION
Selected Financial Data

FINANCIAL CONDITION:	9/30/90	12/31/89	9/30/89
	(Dollars in Thousands)		
Total assets	$509,290	$511,098	$517,073
Total loans	379,812	386,333	399,095
Mortgage-backed securities	29,024	27,248	29,640
Cash and investments	82,786	84,265	77,143
Deposits	395,822	390,689	392,060
Notes Payable	56,092	62,029	65,268
Stockholders' equity	52,453	53,847	53,561
Loan originations & purchases (YTD)	51,457	70,607	50,427
Nonperforming loans	12,889	9,384	11,657
Allowance for possible loan losses	3,660	1,676	2,215
Foreclosed Real Estate	8,587	3,485	1,321
Total Nonperforming Assets	21,476	12,869	12,978
OPERATING RESULTS:			
Year To Date Ended:	9/30/90	12/31/89	9/30/89
Net interest income	$9,943	$13,040	$9,771
Provision for possible loan losses	2,833	1,450	1,075
Loan Servicing Fees	415	467	350
Gain (loss) on Investments	(49)	76	91
Gain (loss) on MBS's & loans	(256)	(88)	(73)
Other non-interest income	742	1,084	880
Non-interest expenses	7,950	9,834	7,319
Income (loss) before taxes	12	3,295	2,625
Income taxes	932	1,391	1,175
Net income (loss)	$(920)	$1,904	$1,450
OPERATING AND PERFORMANCE RATIOS:	9/30/90	12/31/89	9/30/89
Return on average assets (YTD)	NA	0.37 pct.	0.38 pct.
Return on avg. equity (YTD)	NA	3.55 pct.	3.61 pct.
Yield on earning assets (YTD)	10.15 pct.	10.20 pct.	10.19 pct.
Cost of deposits and			

borrowings (YTD)	7.45 pct.	7.57 pct.	7.56 pct.
Net interest margin (YTD)	2.70 pct.	2.63 pct.	2.63 pct.
Stockholders' equity/total assets	10.30 pct.	10.54 pct.	10.36 pct.
Nonperforming loans/ total loans	3.39 pct.	2.43 pct.	2.92 pct.
Allowance for loan losses/ nonperforming loans	28.40 pct.	17.86 pct.	19.00 pct.
Net charge-offs/ total loans	0.22 pct.	0.26 pct.	0.01 pct.
Nonperforming assets/ total assets	4.22 pct.	2.52 pct.	2.51 pct.
Average earning assets/ average interest bearing liabilities	108.16 pct.	109.27 pct.	109.07 pct.

STOCK PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:	9/30/90	12/31/89	9/30/89
Common shares outstanding	2,761,367	2,761,367	2,761,367
Closing price	$2.88	$6.25	$7.25
Book value	$19.00	$19.50	$19.40
Price/book value	15.13 pct.	32.05 pct.	37.37 pct.
Earnings (loss) per share (YTD)	(33 cents)	67 cents	51 cents
Dividends per share (YTD)	21 cents	28 cents	21 cents
Dividend payout ratio (YTD)	NA	41.79 pct.	41.18 pct.
Price/Earnings (Annualized)	NA	9.33	10.66

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MONZA, ITALY (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola, Inc. announced today that it will become the new sponsor of the 7-Eleven Cycling Team in January, 1991. In an announcement at a press conference in Monza, Motorola said it will launch the Motorola Cycling Team at the start of the 1991 racing season and plans to compete in all 13 World Cup competitions and other international events.

The Motorola Cycling Team will feature many key members from the previous 7-Eleven team, including Steve Bauer, Andy Hampsten, Norm Alvis, Frankie Andreu, Andy Bishop, Nathan Dahlberg, Ron Kiefel, Dag Otto Lauritzen, Scott McKinley, John Tomac, Sean Yates, Brian Walton, and more. Two of the team's founders, Jim Ochowicz and Eric Heiden, will remain as general manager and captain, respectively, of the Motorola Cycling Team.

The 1991 cycling season for the Motorola Cycling Team begins with spring training in January in Santa Rosa, Calif., with the team's first competition

scheduled for February. The 13 World Cup races start in Italy in March and extend through October. During the season, the team will aim for top positions in both team and individual World Cup point standings.

"We are delighted to become involved in a sport that has such strong international appeal," said Christopher B. Galvin, Motorola's senior executive vice president and assistant chief operating officer.

"Cycling encompasses many of the ideals of our company. Success in the sport depends on teamwork, endurance, quality and integrity - all components needed to be a best-in-class organization, whether a cycling team or a global corporation. We look forward to a successful partnership."

Team Manager Ochowicz added, "Motorola's support will allow us to remain competitive and gives us an excellent base for future growth through association with a leading global company."

Motorola is one of the world's leading providers of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets. Products include two-way radios, pagers, cellular telephones and systems, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronics, computers, data communications and information processing and handling equipment.

Motorola was a winner of the first annual Malcolm Baldridge National Quality Award in the U.S., in recognition of its superior company-wide management and quality processes.

CONTACT: Patrick Trancu of Trancu & Assoc., in Milan: 011-392-749-0187, or Jack Modzelewski of Fleishman-Hillard, (312) 751-8878, for the Motorola Cycling Team.

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HUNTINGTON, WV (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashland Coal Inc. (NYSE: ACI) reported today that it had net income of $6.5 million, or $.40 a share on a primary basis, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares to net income of $4.8 million, or $.28 a share, for the same quarter last year. Revenues for the third quarter were $98.6 million, as compared to $73.5 million in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Ashland Coal had net income of $21.2 million or $1.30 a share. For the same period last year, the company had net income of $15.9 million or $.95 a share. Revenues were $300.9 million in the first nine months of 1990 compared to $230.4 million a year ago.

"For the quarter, Hobet Mining Inc.'s operating results showed a dramatic improvement over 1989's third quarter, which was adversely affected by the UMWA work stoppage in West Virginia," said William C. Payne, president and chief executive officer. "In addition, Mingo Logan Coal Co., which we acquired in January of this year, again made a significant contribution," Payne continued. "These positives, however, were largely offset by the higher interest expense resulting from the financing for the Mingo Logan acquisition and lower operating income at Coal-Mac Inc. Coal-Mac's income was adversely affected by reduced shipments to an important contract customer and higher costs for both mined and purchased coal.

"Looking ahead to the fourth quarter, we expect that we will experience lower selling prices reflecting the current soft spot market, and upward pressure on costs because of the situation in the Middle East and changes in supply mix required to meet customer specifications," Payne added. "Although fourth quarter margins are likely to be squeezed, increased volumes should counter some of this impact.

"Even though we don't expect to match the strong performance in last year's fourth quarter, we believe 1990 results will show a meaningful improvement over 1989", Payne concluded.

Ashland Coal Inc. is engaged in the mining, processing and sale of low-sulfur steam coal principally to electric utilities in the United States and into the export markets.

Hobet Mining Inc., Mingo Logan Coal Co. and Coal-Mac Inc. are independent operating subsidiaries of Ashland Coal Inc.

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DAYTONA BEACH, FL (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated-Tomoka Land Co. (NASDAQ: CTLC) announced that it has increased its holdings in The Charles Wayne Group Ltd.

Consolidated acquired 100 percent ownership of the homebuilding, shopping center and real estate development firm from four area real estate developers, J. Wayne Beighle, Charles S. Lichtigman, David F. Neubauer and Leon G. van Wert.

CWG Ltd. was formed in 1987 by C-TLC, one of Volusia County's largest landowners, and the four developers, who contributed several residential communities and income properties to the venture. "The Charles Wayne Group Ltd. was envisioned as having a life span of three to seven years initially," said Bob D. Allen, president of C-TLC. "Since formation, it has accomplished

many of our goals in realizing our properties' potential, in helping to bring the LPGA to Daytona Beach, and in several other respects."

Beighle, Lichtigman, Neubauer and van Wert felt that "the present sale fits the needs of all parties to pursue their individual goals," according to Lichtigman. Lichtigman and Neubauer will continue in business in real estate investments, shopping center development and in operating Charles Wayne Properties Inc., a large commercial real estate brokerage firm with offices in Daytona Beach and Orlando. The firm will continue to represent Charles Wayne Group Ltd. as its agent for the sale of numerous industrial, commercial, office and residential properties.

Wayne Beighle, the former general contractor for CWG Ltd., will continue his interest in solar power technology, having been responsible for Powerhouse I and II in Palm Coast and Lake Placid, Fla. -- houses designed with no connection to any outside power source, other than solar power.

The Charles Wayne Group Ltd. will stay intact under C-TLC ownership, continuing residential building and development in several central Florida projects.

Although it is the intention of The Charles Wayne Group Ltd. to remain active in all projects presently in progress, evaluation of individual assets and projects necessitated by the ownership change and the current generally unfavorable real estate environment may result in changes in both operating strategies and recorded asset values. Any such modifications would not materially limit the partnership's ability to conduct ongoing activities.

CONTACT: Bob D. Allen, president of Consolidated-Tomoka, 904-255-7558, or Charles S. Lichtigman, chairman of Charles Wayne Properties, 904-238-3600

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JASPER, IND. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Kimball International (NASDAQ: KBALB) reported today that net income in the fiscal first quarter ended Sept. 30 was $9,325,000, or 44 cents per share of Class B common stock, a decrease of 8 percent from $10,147,000, or 48 cents per Class B share, in the same period last year.

Sales in the quarter were $144,752,000, down 6 percent from the year earlier $154,294,000.

Douglas A. Habig, president and chief executive officer, attributed the decline in part to softness in most of the company's markets caused by the weakening of the U.S. economy. However, net income in the quarter was aided by increased income from cash investments.

Office Furniture sales declined slightly while larger decreases were experienced by the Electronics and Keyboard divisions. Sales increases were posted by the Cabinet & Furniture and International divisions. Within the Cabinet & Furniture Division, hospitality furniture sales were up and TV cabinet sales were down, resulting in a moderate increase in the divison.

The International Division's income rose sharply over last year's first quarter as a result of improved sales along with increased currency gains caused by the weaker U.S. dollar. Income was lower in all other operating divisions.

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RONKONKOMA, N.Y. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Metcom, Inc. (NASDAQ: DMET) today announced increased sales and profitable operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Sales for the nine months were $11,045,662, an increase of 35 percent from the prior year's level of $8,205,803, with net income for the nine months of $595,486, or $.03 per share, compared to net income of $522,581 or $.03 per share for the same period last year.

Sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $3,564,432, a substantial increase over the corresponding quarter in 1989 of $2,850,124. Net income was $236,472 in the current period, compared to net income of $102,789 for the third quarter in 1989.

Robert Dorskind, president and CEO, stated, "The strength of our sales and marketing efforts in addition to the solid operating efficiencies achieved by our company this year is reflected in our improved third quarter results exemplified by a 300 percent increase in income before taxes over the same time period last year. Our goal is to build on the momentum we have established during the last several quarters."

The company also announced a substantial increase in its contracted backlog which totaled $3,598,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $2,754,000 for the same period last year. The company anticipates fulfillment of this contracted backlog to be completed within the next 12 months.

Digital Metcom, Inc. provides proprietary data network monitoring and control products and value added support services to companies that own, or are in the process of building, their own private local area or wide area, data or voice telecommunications networks.

DIGITAL METCOM, INC.

STATEMENT OF INCOME

NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30,

	1990	1989	
SALES	$ 11,045,662	$ 8,205,803	
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	$ 980,107	$ 551,279	
NET INCOME	$ 595,486	$ 522,581	EARNINGS
PER SHARE	$ .03	$ .03	
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF SHARES OUTSTANDING	20,418,503	19,240,538	

THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30,

	1990	1989	
SALES	$ 3,564,432	$ 2,850,124	
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	$ 455,459	$ 106,399	
NET INCOME	$ 236,472	$ 102,789	EARNINGS
PER SHARE	$ .01	$ .01	
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF SHARES OUTSTANDING	21,143,483	19,832,205	

CONTACT: Robert Dorskind, president and CEO of Digital Metcom, Inc., 516-981-7100

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GLENVIEW, ILL. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Zenith Electronics Corporation (NYSE: ZE) today reported a third-quarter 1990 loss from continuing operations of $11.6 million, or 44 cents per share, compared with a 1989 third-quarter loss from continuing operations of $9.1 million, or 34 cents per share. Results for third-quarter 1990 include a pre-tax gain of $2.4 million relating to the termination of a defined-benefit pension plan.

Third-quarter sales from continuing operations were $342 million in 1990, compared with $377 million in 1989.

Third-Quarter Results CONSUMER ELECTRONICS. Sales in the third quarter were $294 million, down 9 percent from $324 million a year ago. The slowdown in the economy resulted in reduced sales of picture tubes to other television manufacturers and of video cassette recorder products. Color television pricing also was adversely affected by industry conditions.

The combination of lower average prices and the adverse inflationary impact on costs was only partially offset by savings from increased efficiencies and reduced fixed overhead expenses.

Third-quarter sales of cable products increased significantly over 1989's third quarter.

COMPONENTS. Sales of $48 million in the third quarter were down 8 percent from $53 million in 1989, principally due to reduced shipments of monochome

displays to the computer industry.

HIGH-DEFINITION SYSTEMS. Expenditures for Zenith's two major high definition systems development programs were about $3 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared to less than $1 million last year. Both programs -- new, larger "flat tension mask" high-resolution color displays and the high-definition TV broadcast transmission system -- continue to progress satisfactorily.

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#90292p7072 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CALIF. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - FileNet Corp. (NASDAQ: FILE), today reported revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $22.3 million, a 20 percent increase over the $18.6 million for the third quarter of 1989 and a net loss of $506,000, or a loss of 5 cents per share compared with a net loss of $1.8 million or a loss of 17 cents per share for the same quarter last year.

Revenues for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $73.3 million, an increase of 30 percent from $56.5 million for the same period in 1989. Net income and net income per share were $2.9 million and 28 cents compared to $205,000 and 2 cents for the same period last year.

"These final results are essentially the same as the estimated results we reported on Oct. 8, 1990," stated Ted Smith, president and CEO. "As I reported then, in addition to the usual types of delays in customer purchasing cycles, we also began to experience order delays due to the increasingly negative economic environment. A number of financial, commercial and governmental organizations changed their acquisition plans due to increasing signs of a recession and increased tensions in the Middle East. We anticipate that this economic environment will continue for some time. Therefore, we are reviewing our revenue expectations and expense plans for the balance of the year and 1991."

FileNet's financial position remains strong with cash and marketable securities of $16.5 million. The company is well-positioned financially with $43.8 million in working capital, a current ratio of 3.1 to 1, and minimal long-term debt. At Sept. 30, 1990, shareholders' equity was $66.7 million.

FileNet Corp. is the worldwide leader in manufacturing and marketing image processing systems used in paper-intensive business applications. A pioneer in its field, FileNet today has more than 360 systems installed in 29 countries. The company which is headquartered in Costa Mesa, Calif., has sales offices in the United States, Canada, France, Germany and Switzerland. FileNet systems are sold in 25 other countries by Ing. C. Olivetti & C., S.p.A., and other

distributors.

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#90292p7076 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES MOINES, IOWA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Oliver H. Hagen, president and chief executive officer, announced today the board of directors of First Interstate of Iowa Inc. (NASDAQ: FIIA), a multi-bank holding company, declared a fourth quarter dividend of 5 cents per share to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 31, 1990. The dividend will be paid on Nov. 30, 1990. The board previously declared a 5 cent dividend in each of the first three quarters of 1990. The 1990 dividends declared and paid of 20 cents per share represent a 33 percent increase over the 15 cents per share declared and paid in 1989.

The company recently reported third quarter 1990 net income of $1,063,000, or 9 cents per share fully diluted, compared to $3,137,000, or 21 cents per share fully diluted, for the 1989 corresponding quarter. The decrease in net income was attributable to expenses associated with $2.1 million of net loans charged off in the current quarter and to a higher effective income tax rate. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $6,279,000, or 43 cents per share fully diluted, and was $9,544,000, or 63 cents per share fully diluted, for the like period in 1989.

Hagen noted, "We are pleased to announce the declaration of another 5 cent quarterly dividend. Despite the decrease in third quarter 1990 net income, the continuation of dividend payments is appropriate in view of the company's capital position, cash flow, future earnings potential and overall asset quality."

The market price of the common stock of First Interstate of Iowa closed at $4.13 on Oct. 18, 1990.

First Interstate of Iowa owns the controlling interest in 13 Iowa banks, a computer services company and an insurance agency. The banks operate 33 locations in numerous Iowa cities including Algona, Cresco, Des Moines, Estherville, Fort Dodge, Greenfield, Kalona, Marengo, Mason City, Sigourney, Sioux City, Spencer and Urbandale.

CONTACT: Howard R. Harris II of First Interstate of Iowa Inc., 515-245-7134

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DES MOINES, IA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Oliver H. Hagen, president and chief executive officer, announced today that the board of directors of First Interstate of Iowa Inc. (NASDAQ: FIIA), a multi-bank holding company, declared a fourth quarter dividend of five cents per share to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 31, 1990. The dividend will be paid on Nov. 30, 1990.

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#90292p7080 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Student Loan Marketing Association (Sallie Mae) (NYSE: SLM) today said that a purported class action shareholder lawsuit has been filed against it and two of its executives in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. The corporation views the suit as meritless and intends to defend vigorously against it.

The allegations are similar to those made several days ago by two former

Sallie Mae employees in a lawsuit filed in Kansas. The former employees previously had sought a large cash settlement from the company, which was rejected. Sallie Mae stated earlier this week that the former employees' claims were "totally without merit."

Sallie Mae, a federally chartered, stockholder-owned (NYSE) corporation, is the major financial intermediary serving the education finance market. By buying insured student loans and providing other financial services to financial and educational institutions, Sallie Mae replenishes local supplies of student credit. The corporation owns nearly 30 percent of all guaranteed student loans outstanding today.

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#90292p7082 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILFORD, OHIO (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Structural Dynamics Research Corporation (NASDAQ: SDRC) today announced the establishment of the SOLID Alliance(TM) program. SOLID Alliance allows value-added resellers, complementary software suppliers and computer system manufacturers to participate in cooperative sales, marketing and technical collaboration programs with SDRC.

"The SOLID Alliance program is designed to help us more broadly penetrate the mechanical design automation marketplace beyond our current direct sales and OEM channels," said Ronald J. Friedsam, SDRC chairman and chief executive officer. "Through innovative marketing alliances and new distribution channels, SDRC will provide a more comprehensive range of solutions to our customers and increase our leadership position as the preeminent supplier of MCAE software."

Membership in the SOLID Alliance program will include value-added resellers, software vendors and hardware vendors. Through this marketing program, SDRC will offer each member a selection of cooperative activities, ranging from sales and advertising programs to promotional events and technical collaboration, in order to jointly develop a unique marketing plan for each program member.

The addition of a new reseller channel for the distribution of SDRC products is an important element in the program. SDRC approved resellers will distribute I-DEAS SOLID Concept(TM), a software product that includes capabilities in solid modeling for part design and drawing layout, for $11,500. For those customers who require 3D assembly design, I-DEAS SOLID Assembly(TM) is available for $20,500. Both of these products include an interface to AutoCAD(R) software, an SDRC interface called I-DEAS SOLID Link, that was also announced today. In addition, I-DEAS SOLID Link(TM) can be

purchased separately for $2,500.

Both I-DEAS SOLID Concept and SOLID Assembly are package offerings based upon standard I-DEAS(TM) software, and are available on hardware platforms from Apollo, Digital, Hewlett-Packard, Silicon Graphics and Sun Microsystems. The I-DEAS SOLID Link interface to AutoCAD, which provides transparent data exchange between I-DEAS SOLID Concept/SOLID Assembly and AutoCAD software, can be installed with AutoCAD release 11 on Intel 80386-based systems. I-DEAS SOLID Link will also be available on the Sun SPARCstation in conjunction with the Sun version of AutoCAD release 11.

SDRC is a leading supplier of mechanical computer-aided engineering software and engineering services used by automotive, aerospace, and industrial manufacturers for the design, analysis and testing of mechanical products. The company's products and services significantly reduce product development time and cost and result in superior quality products by enabling customers to optimize product designs prior to production. SDRC employs more than 900 people in 36 offices in 12 countries throughout North America, Europe and the Far East.

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THOMASVILLE, GA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Flowers Industries Inc. (NYSE: FLO) reported a modest decline in both sales and earnings during the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

At the regular quarterly board of directors meeting held today, members voted to increase the quarterly dividend and to authorize the repurchase of additional common shares for the company.

Sales for the first quarter ending Sept. 22 were $188,908,000, a decrease of 2.2 percent from $193,103,000 reported last year. Pre-tax income before the extraordinary charge resulting from the Federal Trade Commission's order for the company to divest two of its operating facilities was $7,622,000, a decline of ten percent from the $8,471,000 reported for the same period last year.

Net income before the extraordinary charge was $4,406,000 vs. $5,193,000 last year. Net income after the extraordinary charge was $4,406,000 vs. $238,000 reported last year. Fully diluted net income per share before the extraordinary charge was $.13, a decline of 7.1 percent from the $.14 reported a year ago, and was $.13 compared to $.01 after the extraordinary charge last year.

In other business, the board of directors voted to increase the quarterly

dividend to $.1625 from $.16. The dividend is payable on Nov. 16 to shareholders of record on Nov. 2. The new annual rate is $.65, compared to the $.64 annual rate in effect last quarter. It represents a ten percent increase over the $.58 annual rate in effect a year ago. The new dividend is the 45th consecutive quarterly increase.

Flowers' board of directors announced that the company has repurchased 751,600 shares of its common stock pursuant to the stock repurchase program it announced on Oct. 20, 1989.

The board expanded the program by authorizing the company to repurchase up to 15 percent of the total shares of its outstanding common stock. Stock will be repurchased at times when securities are available at prices the company considers attractive.

The board also authorized the purchase for retirement of Flowers' 8.25 percent convertible subordinated debentures due March 1, 2005. The purchases will be made at times when the debentures are available at prices the company considers attractive. The debentures, as well as the shares, will be purchased in the open market or through negotiated private transactions at prevailing market prices.

CONTACT: C.M. Wood, III, senior vice president and chief financial officer, or Mary Krier, both of Flowers, (912) 226-9110.

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MILFORD, OHIO (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Structural Dynamics Research Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SDRC) and Autodesk, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ACAD), today announced an agreement in principle whereby both companies will jointly develop and provide two interfaces between I-DEAS(TM) software from SDRC and AutoCAD(R) software from Autodesk. SDRC and Autodesk will now jointly market an integrated set of industry leading products, giving users the ability to exchange design data without worrying about compatibility and integration issues -- two of the most difficult challenges currently faced by manufacturing companies.

The first interface, I-DEAS SOLID Link(TM), a new SDRC software product, will allow I-DEAS customers to transfer solid modeling information to AutoCAD at the end of the design cycle for final drafting. The second interface, AME Link(TM), a new Autodesk software product, will give AutoCAD users the ability to pass AutoCAD/AME solid modeling information to I-DEAS. The software interfaces between I-DEAS and AutoCAD will be distributed through those AutoCAD dealers who are approved members of the SDRC SOLID Alliance(TM) program which was also announced today by SDRC.

"In mechanical design automation, there has been extremely rapid growth in the

use of 3D solid modeling as customers recognize the power of 'solids-based' design," said Ronald J. Friedsam, SDRC chairman and chief executive officer. "Through our newly-established reseller channel, we now offer an expansion path for those AutoCAD customers who want to add solids-based design to their engineering organizations, while still preserving their investment in AutoCAD software, training, and associated drawing databases. Autodesk is a highly regarded company, and we are delighted to be working with a company of their stature as we jointly serve this reseller channel."

"I-DEAS has long been recognized as the highest-performance MCAE software in the industry," said Malcolm Davies, Autodesk senior vice president of marketing and sales. "The I-DEAS SOLID Link interface between I-DEAS and AutoCAD will provide our users with an extraordinary new level of functionality with little change to their current design processes. And, as we add more functionality to our product offering, we will provide our customers with a second interface to transfer data from our AutoCAD/AME system to the I-DEAS software."

The I-DEAS SOLID Link interface allows transparent data exchange between I-DEAS and AutoCAD, and is priced at $2,500. I-DEAS SOLID Link can be installed with AutoCAD release 11 on Intel 80386-based machines. I-DEAS SOLID Link will also be available on the Sun SPARCstation in conjunction with the Sun version of AutoCAD release 11. The interface is automatically included when resellers market the I-DEAS SOLID Concept(TM) or I-DEAS SOLID Assembly(TM) products for solid modeling and drawing layout.

The AME Link interface will be available from AutoCAD authorized dealers in 1991, and will allow the transfer of AutoCAD/AME solid models to an I-DEAS environment. Those models can then be merged into the larger I-DEAS assemblies for more complex design and analysis.

Autodesk develops, markets and supports a family of computer-aided design, engineering and animation software products for desktop computers and workstations. Autodesk shares are traded in the United States on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ACAD.

SDRC is a leading supplier of mechanical computer-aided engineering software and engineering services used by automotive, aerospace, and industrial manufacturers for the design, analysis and testing of mechanical products. The company's products and services significantly reduce product development time and cost and result in superior quality products by enabling customers to optimize product designs prior to production. SDRC employs more than 900 people in 36 offices in 12 countries throughout North America, Europe and the Far East.

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CONTACT: Jere Brooks Hunter of SDRC, 513-576-2469; or Andrew Zarrillo of Autodesk, 415-491-8704

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#90292p7091 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bank South (NASDAQ: BKSO) declared a quarterly dividend of 13 cents per share, payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 14.

CONTACT: Bo Spalding of Bank South, 404-529-4238

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#90292p7095 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Freeport-McMoRan Oil and Gas Royalty Trust (NYSE: FMR) announced today that the October distribution amount, to which unit holders of record on Oct. 31, 1990, will be entitled, will be $1,042,934 or approximately $.06964 per unit. This amount will be paid to unit holders on Jan. 10, 1991, the regular quarterly payment date.

This monthly distribution is not necessarily indicative of future monthly distribution amounts, which will depend on future costs incurred and revenues received.

CONTACT: Roark Ashie of First City, Texas-Houston, as trustee, 713-658-7639, for Freeport-McMoRan Oil and Gas Royalty Trust

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#90292p7096 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Credit Suisse has acquired a majority shareholding in the Chiasso, Switzerland-based company, Finorafa SA. At the same time, it was announced that the equity capital of the firm was being raised to SFR 4 million. The new chairman of the board of directors is Rudolf Schriber, a senior vice president of Credit Suisse.

Finorafa SA is active on the Italian precious metal markets and has a staff of ten. In addition to physical dealing in precious metals such as gold and silver, the firm also deals in the associated funding instruments.

With the acquisition of the majority shareholding in Finorafa SA, Credit Suisse has underlined the importance it attaches to the Italian financial center and its intention of remaining one of the leading banks operating in the precious metal markets.

CONTACT: Edgar K. Mitchell of Credit Suisse, 212-612-8220

-30- 1056

#90292p7097 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - CF Income Partners L.P. (NYSE: CFI), a Los Angeles-based master limited partnership, announced today that a quarterly distribution of 25 cents per unit will be paid on Nov. 14, 1990, to unitholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 31, 1990.

The partnership's total available cash flow for the third quarter of 1990 equaled $3,795,000. The general partner's performance incentive fee of $435,000 will be paid in cash from the total available cash flow.

CF Income Partners L.P., formerly Cal Fed Income Partners L.P., is a publicly traded master limited partership that invests in income producing multi-family residential, commercial and industrial properties.

CONTACT: Barbara J. Pape, 213-444-3968, or Leeann Morein, 213-444-3969, both of CF Income Partners L.P.

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#90292p7098 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert H. Trewhella, president and chief executive officer of First Harrisburg Bancor (NASDAQ-NMS: FFHP) announced today that the board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per share payable on Nov. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 5.

This represents a 25 percent dividend increase. First Harrisburg Bancor is a Pennsylvania-chartered stock company trading on the NASDAQ National Market System, under the symbol "FFHP."

CONTACT: Michael S. Leonzo of First Harrisburg Bancor, 717-232-6661

-30- 759

#90292p7100 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Teleroute - the leading transaction databank for the transport world - was launched in Italy on Oct. 18, 1990 at the Transpotec '90 fair in Verona.

Wolters Kluwer has marketed Teleroute in a large number of countries in Europe. In 1986 Teleroute started in France, after which Belgium, the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Germany, and Switzerland followed. In Italy Teleroute will be represented by Transpobank in Milano.

Every day Teleroute now offers approximately 8,000 freight offers from all European countries through its more than 20,000 users. This year Teleroute

will be consulted approximately 2.5 million hours.

The Teleroute transaction system anticipates the need of the transport market - for economic as well as environmental reasons - for optimal use of load capacity.

In Italy Teleroute co-operates with Transpobank, the national Italian freight exchange system that, at this moment, already has 1,600 users. Every day an average of approximately 1,100 freights, to and from Italy, are already being offered in Teleroute.

With the expansion into Italy, Teleroute expects the freight offers and the demand for transport to increase considerably as the Italian transporters will from today, have access via Teleroute to the entire European market. Teleroute takes a new step ahead in the direction of Europe 1992.

CONTACT: Wolters Kluwer/Teleroute, Netherlands (0)20-56-45-450, or Debra Wasser of Dewe Rogerson, (212) 688-6840, for Wolters Kluwer.

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#90292p7102 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) announced today that its board of directors elected William E. Kelvie senior vice president and chief information officer.

In the new position, Kelvie will be responsible for the management of Fannie Mae's information technology systems. Kelvie will lead a major effort in the company to use advanced technology to make it easier for customers to do business with the company, and for Fannie Mae to provide faster, more dependable service to mortgage lenders.

Kelvie previously was a senior partner with Nolan, Norton & Co. As managing principal of their New York Office, which he opened in 1986, he developed information technology strategies for leading investment and money center banks in the United States and Europe.

Prior to joining Nolan, Norton & Co., Kelvie designed and implemented large application systems for The Dexter Corporation and The Travelers.

Kelvie earned a bachelor of arts degree from Tufts University, Medford, Mass., and a master of arts degree from Trinity College, Hartford, Conn.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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#90292p7104 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Midway Airlines (NYSE: MDW) today announced that it has reached a decision to reduce significantly its level of service at the Philadelphia International Airport.

This conclusion was reached as a result of the sharp increases in aviation fuel prices since the beginning of the Persian Gulf crisis in August 1990.

As a result, the company has entered into an agreement to sell to USAir its leasehold assets at Philadelphia International Airport and its Canadian route authorities to Toronto and Montreal for $64.5 million in cash and USAir's assumption of certain liabilities valued at approximately $3 million.

The transaction is subject to the negotiation and execution of definitive agreements and to approvals by the United States Departments of Justice and Transportation. The parties anticipate closing the transaction as early as December 1990, assuming all conditions to closing have been satisfied.

The sale of the Philadelphia assets is the linchpin of the company's overall business plan to refocus operations at its Midway Airport hub, stabilize the company's financial condition and return it to profitability. "We believe we have a good plan which addresses our needs in these difficult times," said Hinson. "We must close this USAir transaction to obtain the cash resources we require."

Effective Jan. 8, 1991, all non-stop service will be discontinued between Philadelphia and Albany, Buffalo and Rochester, N.Y.; Boston; Hartford, Conn.; Columbus, Ohio; Las Vegas; New Orleans; Providence, R.I., and Montreal in Canada.

Midway's remaining Philadelphia hub services to Chicago, Toronto and points in Florida, a total of 20 daily flights, will continue through April 30.

Midway opened its hub at Philadelphia International Airport on Nov. 15, 1989. At present it oeprates 61 daily flights to 17 destinations from that location accounting for one-sixth of Midway Airlines' operations.

CONTACT: Sandra Allen, 312-838-4813, of Midway Airlines

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#90292p7105 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
STATE COLLEGE, PA. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - United Federal Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: UFBK) today reported a 30.7 percent increase in third quarter earnings.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $1,760,000 or $0.34 per share vs. net income of $1,347,000 or $0.26 per share in the same period last year. Net interest income before provision for loan losses rose 12.5 percent to $4,952,000 compared with $4,401,000 a year ago.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income rose 23.3 percent to $5,306,000 vs. $4,304,000 in 1989. Net income per common share was $1.03. Net interest income before provision for loan losses rose 10.3 percent to $14,293,000 compared with $12,960,000 last year. At Sept. 30, 1990, United Federal had total assets of $505,960,000 and stockholders' equity of $95,360,000 or $18.39 per share.

In discussing the results for the period, Charles C. Pearson Jr., president and chief executive officer, stated, "We are extremely pleased with our third quarter results. Our already favorable operating ratios continue to improve and are attributable to our changing loan mix and a lower cost of funds." Pearson continued, "Noninterest expenses are under close control and we are beginning to capitalize on the investments the company has made in computer and operating systems. Asset quality continues to be a top priority, and our ratios in this area are among the best in the industry."

Additionally, United Federal announced today that it has received approval from the regulatory agencies to proceed with the conversion/merger with Founders Federal Savings and Loan Association of Williamsport, Pa. The transaction is scheduled for completion on Nov. 9, 1990.

United Federal Bancorp is a federally chartered savings bank. The bank conducts its operations from its home office in State College, Pa., and 11 full-service offices located in Bellefonte, Centre Hall, Clearfield, Philipsburg and Huntingdon, Pa.

CONTACT: Charles C. Pearson Jr., chief executive officer, or Donald L. Gross chief operating officer, of United Federal Bancorp, 814-231-1600

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#90292p7106 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Recently, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced its plans to ban the use of mercury in interior latex paints and require warning labels for exterior latex paints containing mercury.

Due to the numerous inquiries concerning the use of mercury compounds in paints, The Sherwin-Williams Company (NYSE: SHW) is pleased to report that it does not add mercury compounds to its manufactured paints and that it voluntarily eliminated the use of mercury compounds in its paints in 1973. When Sherwin-Williams has acquired other paint companies, it has removed mercurial compounds from the acquired company's manufactured paint.

Mercury has been used in paints as a mildewcide and/or fungicide and as an in-can preservative. However, The Sherwin-Williams Company was able to obtain these same product benefits by replacing mercury with other ingredients while maintaining the other high quality aspects of the Sherwin-Williams products. Since this replacement was completed in 1973, Sherwin-Williams paints have proven effective in these areas through many years of practical use.

According to John Gerulis, director of Regulatory Information Services for Sherwin-Williams, the company began using other biocides as a preservative in its latex paint products in the 1960s.

"While EPA estimates some 30 percent of the water-based latex paint products currently on the market reportedly contain mercury, none of those products are Sherwin-Williams manufactured paints," Gerulis said.

CONTACT: Conway G. Ivy, vice president and treasurer of Sherwin-Williams, (216) 566-2102.

-30- 1823

#90292p7107 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, N.C. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The following is a letter to the shareholders of Athey Products Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ATPC) from company President and Chief Executive Officer James D. Cloonan:

To the shareholders: The business climate that has developed because of the current soft economic conditions and the uncertainties on the international scene, has affected the sales of the corporation in the third quarter of 1990, as noted below.

Municipal and federal government agencies, while dealing with this, have put on hold many of their equipment buying projects.

The Company has continued its equipment development efforts. We have received broad acceptance with our new line of sweepers, and remain optimistic about our sales potential when the market returns to normal.

	1990		1989	
	Third Qtr.	Nine Months	Third Qtr.	Nine Months
Net Sales	$5,729,355	$24,499,277	$10,042,403	$31,568,095
Earnings (Loss) Before Income Taxes	(422,617)	1,120,087	1,218,693	4,126,171
Provision For Income Taxes	(156,300)	411,000	452,000	1,522,000
Net Earnings (Loss)	$(266,317)	$709,087	$766,693	$2,604,171
Per Share (a)	$ (.07)	$ .19	$ .20	$ .68

(a) based on 3,831,503 shares. ATHEY PRODUCTS CORPORATION (Sig) James D. Cloonan President and Chief Executive Officer

CONTACT: James D. Cloonan, President and Chief Executive Officer, Athey Products Corporation, 919-556-5171

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#90292p7109 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Rada Electronic Industries Limited (NASDAQ: RADIF) announced the formation of a new subsidiary which is jointly owned by a wholly owned subsidiary of the company and a European defense contractor. The new company will market the products of the company's industry sector in Europe, initially focusing on the sale of automated test equipment and data transfer equipment.

The company also announced that in the third quarter of the fiscal year its industry sector obtained orders in excess of $5 million for field level and lab level automated test equipment to support F-15 fighter planes. Tasco, which is based in Anaheim, Calif., obtained orders for a multiprocessing computer which will be embedded in a simulator and for 27 mil-spec computers which will be supplied to the Israeli Ministry of Defense.

The Rada group of companies is engaged in the design, development and manufacture of computers, avionic equipment, and automated test equipment and in the distribution and sale of electronic components.

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#90292p7112 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTSDALE, N.Y. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Stratford Financial Group, Ltd. (Stratford) today announced that the board of directors at a meeting held on Oct. 18, 1990 approved a One for Hundred reverse stock split.

Stratford believes the capitalization restructure will ultimately help attract new investors in the company.

The record date for the reverse will be the close of business on Oct. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Martin Goldstein, chairman of the board of Stratford Financial Group, 914-682-1818

-30- 672

#90292p7114 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CALIF. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Marrow-Tech Inc. (NASDAQ: MAROA, MAROZ) announced today that the U.S. Patent Office has issued the company's patent on its core technology, U.S. Patent No. 4,963,489. This product patent covers three-dimensional living stromal tissue, or stroma, cultured outside the body on a biocompatible framework. Stroma is composed of special support cells; in the body these cells secrete a variety of growth factors and structural proteins that support organ formation and growth. The company uses its three- dimensional cultured stroma to grow skin, bone marrow and liver tissue and has been investigating its use in the growth of other organ tissues.

Applicants for this patent, which is owned by Marrow-Tech, are Gail K. Naughton, Ph.D., and Brian A. Naughton, Ph.D. Dr. Gail Naughton is senior vice president and chief scientific officer of Marrow-Tech; Dr. Brian Naughton is a research hematologist and associate professor of hematology at the Hunter College School of Health Sciences in New York City. The company already holds U.S. Patent No. 4,721,096 covering a process that includes in vitro growth of bone marrow for transplantation, and intends to file applications covering other products and uses of the core technology. Foreign patent applications have also been filed.

Marrow-Tech has already applied this technology to the production of Skin2(TM) ("skin squared"), a line of toxicity screening kits containing three-dimensional cultures of actively growing human skin tissue. In another use of the technology, the company is growing a three-dimensional in vitro dermal replacement, DermaGraft(TM). Marrow-Tech has received FDA approval of an Investigational Device Exemption to begin clinical trials of DermaGraft(TM) in burn patients.

CONTACT: Gail K, Naughton, Ph.D., senior VP and chief scientific officer of Marrow-Tech Inc., 619-450-5731

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#90292p7116 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH PLAINFIELD, N.J. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Enzon, Inc. (NASDAQ: ENZN) today announced it has begun marketing of the company's first drug, Adagen(TM) (PEG-ADA), which treats a form of Severe Combined Immunodeficiency Disease (SCID), a fatal disease if left untreated. Enzon has been distributing the drug free, on a compassionate basis, since it received Food and Drug Administration (FDA) marketing approval for Adagen in March 1990 under the Orphan Drug Act.

Adagen works by replacing an enzyme called adenosine deaminase (ADA) whose absence inhibits development of the immune system. Seventeen children in the United States and Europe are currently being treated with Adagen.

Adagen has received widespread attention as an integral part of the first gene

therapy research on SCID patients recently initiated at the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

"Until gene therapy for ADA deficiency is perfected, the weekly injections of Enzon's drug provide the only way to keep these patients alive," according to Abbey S. Meyers, executive director of the National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD). Meyers is a member of the NIH Human Gene Therapy Subcommittee that recently approved the gene therapy experiment.

The technological breakthrough that made Adagen a successful treatment, and an essential component of the gene therapy experiments, is a process developed by Enzon called Pegnology(SM). By coating enzymes and other protein-based drugs with polyethylene glycol (PEG), Enzon is able to mask a drug from the body's immune system, protecting it from being rejected as a foreign substance. As a result, administration of Adagen allows the critical enzyme to remain in the body long enough to improve the patient's immune function.

Adagen's U.S. price is $2,200 per vial; the non-U.S. price is $3,000 per vial. The price is based on the cost of the raw materials used to manufacture the drug, monitoring patients, and meeting quality control regulatory standards that require manufacturing more of the drug than is actually administered.

Noting that some so-called orphan drugs that cost up to $30,000 a year have been attacked in the press recently, NORD's Meyers defended Enzon's pricing of Adagen.

"Unlike the blockbuster drugs masquerading as 'orphans' to keep out competition and making hundreds of millions of dollars, Adagen is a true orphan drug," Meyers said.

No profit or recovery of research, development, and administrative costs are included in the price. Enzon will work with all patients to obtain reimbursement for the drug.

Enzon is a leading biopharmaceutical company developing improved therapies for life-threatening diseases through the application of Pegnology to enhance the delivery of protein-based drugs.

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#90292p7117 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHEELING, W.VA. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income for Wesbanco Inc. (NASDAQ: WSBC) was $6,814,000 or $2.84 per share, compared to $6,538,000 or $2.73 per share for the same period in 1989, it was announced today.

Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $2,258,000 or $.94 per share, compared to $2,105,000 or $.88 per share for the same period in 1989.

Assets of Wesbanco Inc. on Sept. 30, 1990, were $702,329,000, deposits were $573,521,000, and shareholders' equity was $74,573,000. Return on average assets was 1.3 percent for the nine-month period, compared to 1.4 percent for the same period in 1989. Return on average equity for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, was 12.5 percent, compared to 13.0 percent for the same period in 1989.

Wesbanco Inc. is the parent company of Wheeling Dollar Bank and First National Bank of Wheeling, Wheeling, W.Va.; Mountain State Bank, Parkersburg, W.Va.; Brooke National Bank, Wellsburg, W.Va.; South Hills Bank, Charleston, W.Va.; Bank of Sissonville, Sissonville, W.Va.; New Martinsville Bank, New Martinsville, W.Va.; First-Tyler Bank & Trust Co., Sistersville, W.Va.; and the Wirt County Bank, Elizabeth, W.Va.

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#90292p7118 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - PaineWebber Group Inc. (NYSE: PWJ) announced today that it has commenced marketing 2.5 million CAC 40 Stock Index put warrants and two million CAC 40 Stock Index call warrants.

The warrants are being offered concurrently under supplemental prospectuses to the company's shelf registration with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The CAC 40 Stock Index is a market capital-weighted index which measures the composite price performance of 40 French stocks, from a broad spectrum of industries, trading on the Paris Bourse (the Paris Stock Exchange).

The CAC 40 Stock Index is compiled and published by Societe des Bourses Francaises. The CAC 40 Stock Index put and call warrants are expected to be listed on the American Stock Exchange.

The underwriters for the proposed offering will be PaineWebber Incorporated (books), Deutsche Bank Capital Corporation, Lazard Freres & Co., and Nomura Securities International, Inc. The underwriters have been granted the option to purchase up to an additional 375,000 put warrants and 300,000 call warrants to cover over-allotments.

The warrants will entitle the holder to receive from PaineWebber Group Inc., upon exercise, an amount in U.S. dollars computed by reference to decreases in the CAC 40 Stock Index in the case of the call warrants. The warrants are

American style warrants which can be exercised at any point up to the end of the three-year expiration.

The put warrants will have a fixed exchange rate set at the time of pricing and the call warrants will have a floating exchange rate. A substantial portion of the net proceeds will be used by the company or one or more of its subsidiaries in connection with hedging the company's obligations under the warrants.

PaineWebber Group Inc. is a holding company which, together with its operating subsidiaries, forms one of the largest full-service securities firms in the industry. Founded in 1879, the company has offices throughout the United States and in many major foreign countries.

The company's main line of business is to serve the investment and capital needs of individual, corporate, institutional and public agency clients through its broker-dealer subsidiary, PaineWebber Incorporated, and other specialized subsidiaries.

The company is comprised of four major business groups - retail sales, capital transactions, asset management and investment banking. The prospectus and the related prospectus supplements relating to these offerings may be obtained from PaineWebber Incorporated, 1000 Harbor Blvd., Weehawken, N.J., 07087.

CONTACT: Eileen Ruvane of PaineWebber, (201) 902-6768; or Jeffrey Z. Taufield of Kekst and Company, (212) 593-2655, for PaineWebber.

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#90292p7119 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOOSTER, OHIO (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Rubbermaid Incorporated (NYSE: RBD) has received the President's "E" Award in recognition of outstanding contributions to the increase of U.S. exports, according to Robert A. Mosbacher, secretary of commerce for the U.S. Department of Commerce.

The award was presented today by Toby T. Zettler, director with the Cleveland district office of the U.S. Department of Commerce. Ron Best, senior vice president, business & international development, accepted the award for Rubbermaid Incorporated.

"We're honored with this recognition," said Best. "Our international staff and other employees throughout the company have made substantial progress in increasing our export business and can certainly take pride in this award. Their efforts have not only significantly benefited Rubbermaid but have helped strengthen the position of the U.S. in world trade."

Zettler commented, "To qualify for this award, manufacturers must show evidence of a substantial increase in volume of exports over a four-year

period. Companies also are judged on their ability to demonstrate breakthroughs in especially competitive markets, new product introductions, opening new markets and other factors."

The President's "E" Award Committee, chaired by the Commerce Department, has representatives from the Departments of Agriculture, the Interior, Labor, the Small Business Administration and Export-Import Bank.

Rubbermaid's international business in Canada and around the world has greatly expanded in recent years with a number of acquisitions, joint ventures and licensing agreements. In January of 1990, Rubbermaid formed a joint venture with the Curver Group of the Dutch chemical company, DSM. This venture positions Curver-Rubbermaid as the leading manufacturer and marketer of plastic and rubber housewares in the European, Middle East and North African markets.

This past summer, the company acquired EWU AG, a privately held Swiss company with manufacturing and distribution facilities in Switzerland and the U.S. This acquisition served to increase the distribution of commercial sanitary maintenance products in the growing European market.

The President's "E" Award was created by executive order of the president in 1961 to afford suitable recognition to persons, firms or organizations that contribute significantly in the effort to increase U.S. exports.

CONTACT: Richard D. Gates of Rubbermaid Incorporated, 216-264-6464

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#90292p7120 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (OCT. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Genus Inc. (NASDAQ: GGNS) today introduced its new integrated system, the 6000, at ceremonies held at corporate headquarter in Mountain View, Calif. The system will be displayed at Semicon Japan, a semiconductor equipment tradeshow to be held in Tokyo next week. The 6000 system integrates blanket tungsten chemical vapor deposition (CVD) and etch processes for volume production of tungsten plugs. It sets a new standard for etch- back plugs in advanced semiconductors in high throughput environments. Genus guarantees the 6000 system to provide void-free tungsten plugs with a recess specification of less then 0.2 microns across the entire wafer.

Much interest has been shown in the 6000 by semiconductor manufacturers around the world. Seven systems have been shipped to major manufacturers in the United States and Japan in pre-announcement sales and six more are in backlog.

The 6000 system is totally automatic with wafers handled in vacuum from load to unload. The system features two independent load-locks, a six-wafer batch deposition chamber, up to two single-wafer etch chambers and a central handler. It provides throughputs of 28-32 wafers per hour.

"The 6000 system is the next step in tungsten CVD multiprocessing," said Kenneth L. Schroeder, Genus president and chief operating officer. "Two processes, as well as two pieces of equipment have been totally integrated in this product. It is now being acknowledged by our customers as the best solution to increasing volume production yields in submicron applications. This is evidenced by the orders we have won to date."

"Genus has been in the business of providing tungsten CVD equipment and processes to semiconductor manufacturers around the world for nearly a decade. No one in the industry can match our experience," stated William W. R. Elder. "That experience has served us well in the two- year development of the 6000. We have worked closely with our customers to ensure that the system meets their requirements for present and next generation semiconductor manufacturing."

Tungsten plugs provide vertical interconnection of the electrical circuitry in a device. At the present time sputtered aluminum is being used for this purpose in many manufacturing lines, but its poor step coverage characteristics will prohibit its use in devices with line widths below 0.8 micron. Tungsten is rapidly taking the place of aluminum as the material of choice for interconnects and plugs.

Competitive products currently on the market leave several issues unresolved. 1) hole fills are incomplete, leaving voids that interrupt the flow of electricity, 2) plugs are etched too deep for advanced device requirements, and 3) throughput is not compatible with volume production. The Genus 6000 addresses and solves each of these problems.

In volume production of tungsten plugs, the Genus 6000 deposits tungsten on vertically oriented wafers in its six-wafer batch chamber. The tungsten deposition has excellent step coverage characteristics to ensure that the holes, which will become plugs, are completely filled without gaps or voids. A patented argon purge and a positive perimeter seal for each wafer eliminates edge and backside deposition. Backside etch is not required. The system is compatible with 100, 125, 150 and 200mm wafers.

Genus is a leading supplier of tungsten CVD and high energy ion implantation systems for advanced semiconductor manufacturers around the world.

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#90292p7122 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, N.J. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Rhone-Poulenc today officially opened a new paracetamol production unit in Bangpoo, Thailand.

Paracetamol is the second largest analgesic in volume after aspirin. This unit has a capacity of 900 tons per year and is located on the same site as the aspirin unit taken over from Monsanto in 1989. It belongs to Rhone-Poulenc Thai Industries, a 74/26 joint venture between Rhone-Poulenc and Osothsapha Co. Ltd.

Rhone-Poulenc is a leading producer of aspirin and paracetamol worldwide. The new unit completes Rhone-Poulenc industrial network, with facilities producing paracetamol in France, the United States and Thailand; and aspirin in France, the United States, the United Kingdom and Thailand.

"This investment is part of Rhone-Poulenc's dual strategic policy of strengthening in sectors where the Group already had leading world positions and of development in Asia," said Jean-Marc Bruel, group executive vice president. In 1990, Rhone-Poulenc's sales in Asia have reached 5.3 billion francs.

The group employs 300 people in Thailand and has a turnover of 300 million francs, where it sells chemicals, plant protection products, pharmaceuticals and fibers.

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-30- 1459

#90292p7127 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - United Press International (UPI) and Reuters announced today they had settled all litigation between them over news pictures services.

Under the settlement, Reuters agreed to drop its lawsuit claiming unspecified damages from UPI for allegedly allowing its photo service to decline in quality. At the same time, UPI agreed to withdraw its claims that Reuters had negotiated in bad faith with UPI in the 1984 acquisition of UPI's international photo business. UPI also agreed to withdraw its demand for arbitration before the International Chamber of Commerce on the grounds Reuters allegedly attempted to steal UPI subscribers.

No compensation or monetary damages will be paid by either organization. Under the settlement, UPI has the option of ending the exchange agreement by providing 30 days' notice to Reuters of UPI intent to do so.

Also, Reuters will supply UPI with foreign news pictures until June 1995 for sale to UPI's U.S. subscribers. Through September 1992, UPI will receive the service for free, as provided for in the 1984 agreement. Subsequently, UPI would have the option of subscribing to the Reuter service.

Reuters will cover the United States with its own resources and will not use

UPI pictures. Effectively, UPI will sell its news pictures service worldwide outside the United States, without Reuter content.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - PPG Industries (NYSE: PPG) today reported increased third-quarter results, with net earnings of $107.1 million, or $1 per share, including a charge equivalent to four cents per share related to the restructuring of PPG's inks business.

Sales were $1.47 billion. This compares with net earnings in the 1989 quarter of $106.7 million, or 97 cents per share, which included a gain of 13 cents per share from business divestitures and realignments. Sales were $1.36 billion.

Nine-month net earnings were $373.4 million, or $3.47 a share, on sales of $4.52 billion, compared with $363.8 million, or $3.25 per share, on $4.31 billion in sales a year ago.

PPG's board of directors also declared a regular quarterly dividend of 42 cents per share, payable Dec. 12 to shareholders of record Nov. 9.

Average shares outstanding for the quarter and nine months were 106.5 million and 107.5 million, respectively, compared with 110.1 million and 111.9 million in 1989, reflecting a recently completed 10 million shares repurchase program.

Board Chairman and CEO Vincent A. Sarni said PPG "remains optimistic that the year's results will exceed those of 1989, despite recent international political developments and a sluggish second half. Improved operating efficiencies experienced by each of our major businesses are expected to contribute significantly to the company's 1990 earnings improvement.

"Higher sales from acquisitions, foreign currency translation gains, modest improvements in North American auto production and increased European volumes

were factors contributing to the sales and earnings gains for our glass and coatings businesses," he said.

Higher volumes produced significantly increased North American and European sales of original and replacement auto glass. Lower worldwide flat glass sales resulted from decreased volumes and prices attributed to diminished construction activity and industry overcapacity. Sales volumes from the recent acquisition of the Dutch fiber glass producer Silenka B.V. and modest gains for reinforcements were partially offset by reduced textile volumes.

Trade paint sales increased substantially as a result of the late-1989 acquisitions of Olympic and Lucite brands as well as sales gains for Pittsburgh Paints. European sales for new vehicle coatings and auto refinishes grew as PPG continued to expand those businesses globally.

Chemicals sales were essentially unchanged. Chlor-alkali volume gained slightly while unit pricing was about equal to 1989 levels. Prices were softer for chlorine derivatives. However, performance chemicals benefited generally from higher sales volumes and price improvement.

CONTACT: John S. Ruch of PPG Industries, 412-434-2445

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#90292p7131 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - By order of the board of directors, notice is hereby given that a dividend of 13 cents per share on each issued and outstanding common share and each issued and outstanding Class A non-voting share of Cara Operations Limited has been declared, payable on Dec. 20, 1990 to the shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 3, 1990.

CONTACT: Ian C. Wilkie, vice president & general counsel of Cara Operations, 416-962-4571

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#90292p7133 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - William F. Moody Jr., president and chief executive officer of American Aircraft Corp. (NASDAQ: AARC), Long Beach, announced to the company's shareholders the mutual signing of a confidential memorandum of agreement (MOA) on Oct. 9, 1990, with McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Corp. of Mesa, Ariz. Terms of this agreement could not be disclosed.

CONTACT: John J. Carney of American Aircraft Corp., 213-595-0701

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#90292p7136 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE) will be distributing 40,000 pounds of dry ice at noon today to customers still without electric service following yesterday afternoon's storm.

The free distribution will take place at two locations: in the parking lot of the Reisterstown Shopping Center, located at 11909 Reisterstown Road, at the intersection of Franklin Boulevard; and the Rouhl Armory, York Road and the Beltway in Towson.

The dry ice will be bagged in 10-14 pound blocks and should be placed in the freezer section of refrigerators only. It will keep food preserved for approximately 24 hours. Do not place dry ice in the cool section of the refrigerator because it may cause freezing.

The dry ice distribution is limited to residential customers only. Customers are limited to one bag per refrigeration unit. For more information on the dry ice distribution, customers may call (301) 685-0123.

- Always handle dry ice with gloves. Due to the very low temperature of this material, direct contact with the bare skin may cause painful burns.

- During the emergency when dry ice is in use to avoid loss of "coldness" do not open the freezer door unnecessarily.

- Do not use any type of closed container or pan to hold the dry ice in the freezer, as this will reduce the cooling effect.

- Do not break or cut dry ice unless proper precaution is taken to prevent flying chips. Under no circumstances should it be crushed as this would allow it to evaporate so fast as to destroy its usefulness.

- After electric service is restored, any left over dry ice should be disposed of in a safe manner. Place in a garbage or trash can and well out of the reach of children or animals.

CONTACT: Charles J. Franklin Jr. of Baltimore Gas and Electric, (301) 234-7433.

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#90292p7139 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The following are the revenues and net income of Ivey Properties, Inc. for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990, and 1989. (Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 584,862	$ 570,351	$1,430,972	$1,247,715

Net Income	$ 491,049	$ 465,594	$1,140,191	$ 980,087
Net Income Per Share	$.20	$.19	$.47	$.41

CONTACT: Ervin Jackson, Jr., Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, Ivey Properties, Inc., 704-334-1123

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#90292p7142 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUBURN (N.Y. OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Iroquois Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: IROQ), at its Oct. 18, 1990 meeting, approved payment of a $.125 per share dividend, according to Robert J. Steigerwald, president and chief executive officer.

Holders of the company's common stock as of the record date of Oct. 31, 1990, will receive the dividend, which will be paid on Nov. 30.

It is the 17th consecutive quarterly dividend declared, based on the earnings of Cayuga Savings Bank, the sole banking subsidiary of Iroquois Bancorp, Inc.

"Our continued strong earnings trend, as evidenced by our third quarter results, enable us to continue providing our shareholders with a return on their investments," stated Steigerwald.

CONTACT: Robert J. Steigerwald, president and CEO of Iroquois Bancorp, 315-252-9521

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#90292p7145 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SMITHFIELD, VA. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Smithfield Foods, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SFDS) today announced that the company's board of directors has authorized the repurchase by the company of up to 500,000 shares of its common stock from time to time in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions.

CONTACT: Aaron D. Trub of Smithfield Foods, 202-223-4224

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#90292p7148 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLENVIEW, ILL. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Illinois Tool Works Inc. (NYSE: ITW), at its meeting today, declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 18 cents per share or 72 cents per share on an annual basis. This dividend will be payable Dec. 1, 1990 to stockholders of record Nov. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: Stephen Kaye or Tim Johnson of Illinois Tool Works, 708-657-4094

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#90292p7150 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Research (NYSE: CYR) announced today that Shell Oil Co. has installed a CRAY Y-MP system at its information center in Houston, Texas.

"Shell has been a valued Cray Research customer for the past five years," said John Rollwagen, chairman and chief executive officer for Cray Research. "We look forward to continuing our relationship with b2Z- the future."

The new CRAY Y-MP system will use the UNICOS operating system, based on AT&T UNIX System V.

Cray Research, Inc. designs, manufactures, markets, and supports large-scale, high-speed computers for scientific and engineering applications.

CONTACT: Kate Neessen, 612-683-7132 (media), or Laura Merriam, 612-334-6448 (financial), both of Cray Research, Inc.

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#90292p7152 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
FREEPORT, IL (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Newell Co. (NYSE: NWL) today reported that net income and earnings per share reached record highs for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Third quarter earnings per share increased ten percent over last year as had been projected earlier by the company.

For the third quarter, net income increased 11.7 percent to $27.4 million from $24.5 million last year and fully diluted earnings per share were 45 cents, up 9.8 percent over the 41 cents achieved in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income increased 32.0 percent to $73.6 million from $55.7 million last year and fully diluted earnings per share were $1.21, up 31.5 percent from $0.92 in the comparable 1989 period.

Net sales for the quarter were $281.1 million, down 5.3 percent from $296.8 million in 1989. For the nine months, net sales were $801.0 million, down 5.1 percent from $844.4 million in the comparable 1989 period.

Sales were lower in 1990 because of the divestitures of the Wm. E. Wright and Carr-Lowrey business in late 1989. Excluding the divested businesses, total sales were up approximately one percent for the first nine months; consumer domestic sales were up 4.3 percent.

Record levels of net income and earnings per share resulted from operating

margin improvements in several of Newell's businesses and a substantial reduction in interest expense. Also, the nine-month results include a non-recurring gain from the sale of securities which was recorded in the first quarter.

This first quarter gain was partially offset by the write-down of certain intangible and other noncurrent assets. Taken together, these gains and charges increased fully diluted earnings per share by nine cents for the nine months ended September 1990. Excluding these gains and charges, fully diluted earnings per share were $1.12 for the first nine months, up 21.7 percent.

Third quarter earnings were consistent with the company's earlier announcement that earnings per share would be up about ten percent over the year ago quarter despite the negative impact from the settled strike at Phoenix Glass and softening of incoming orders in late September.

Newell manufactures and markets high-volume hardware/housewares and industrial products. Hardware/housewares products are sold principally through discount, variety, chain and hardware stores, hardware and housewares distributors, and home improvement centers. Industrial products are sold directly and through distributors to volume purchasers.

CONTACT: William T. Alldredge, VP-Fianance of Newell Co., (815) 235-4171.

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#90292p7153 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

OLD GREENWICH, CT (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - American Brands, Inc. (NYSE: AMB), the global consumer products holding company, today announced that net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 rose 39 percent to a record $231 million, or $1.16 per common share, compared with $166 million, or $ .86 per share, last year. All per share amounts reflect the two-for-one stock split effective Oct. 9.

Revenues reached a record $3.9 billion, up 26 percent from $3.1 billion in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income rose 27 percent to a record $585 million, or $2.97 per share, compared with $459 million, or $2.38 per share, in 1989. Revenues for the nine months reached a record $10 billion, up 11 percent from $9 billion last year.

The sale in July of Theodorus Niemeyer, a Netherlands-based tobacco company, resulted in a gain of $56 million in international tobacco operating income and a net income gain of $31 million, or 16 cents per share.

Fluctuations in exchange rates for foreign currencies, principally the British pound, favorably affected revenues and E.P.S. by $442 million and 10 cents,

respectively, in the quarter and $386 million, and 8 cents, respectively, for the nine months. The average number of shares outstanding was up 3 percent in both periods.

Interest expense for the quarter increased as a result of acquisitions but declined for the nine months on lower average borrowings resulting from strong cash flow.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William J. Alley said: "Our company continues to perform very well, with record results for both the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990, and we have continued to build strategically.

American Brands is a global consumer products holding company with core businesses in tobacco, distilled spirits, hardware and home improvement products, office products and life insurance. Each has brand name leaders in its industry.

In tobacco, major cigarette brands include American Tobacco's Carlton, Lucky Strike, Pall Mall, Tareyton and Malibu and, in the U.K., Gallaher Limited's Benson & Hedges, Silk Cut and Berkeley. In distilled spirits, leading brands include Jim Beam bourbon, DeKuyper liqueurs, Windsor Canadian Supreme Whisky, Gilbey's gin and vodka, Kamchatka and Vladivar vodkas along with The Dalmore, The Claymore and Whyte & Mackay Special scotches. The MasterBrand Industries hardware and home improvement business includes Master Lock, Moen Incorporated, Aristokraft and Twentieth Century. The ACCO World office products group includes Swingline, Wilson Jones, Day-Timers and substantial international operations, including Rexel and Twinlock. Life insurance is sold by The Franklin group of companies.

Specialty products include Titleist, Pinnacle and Foot-Joy golf products and, in the U.K., Gallaher's Prestige housewares line, Dollond & Aitchison optics, and Forbuoys retailing.

CONTACT: Roger W. W. Baker, 203-698-5148, or Daniel A. Conforti, 203-698-5132
both of American Brands

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#90292p7163 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (Conrail) (NYSE: CRR) today completed transactions giving it 100 percent ownership of the Monongahela Railway Co.

Conrail, which previously owned one-third of the shares of the Monongahela, purchased the one-third interest of CSX Transportation (CSXT), a business unit of CSX Corporation, and the one-third interest of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad Co.

"Acquisition of the Monongahela will give Conrail customers in the Northeast and Midwest improved rail access to mines containing large amounts of mid-sulfur coal," said James A. Hagen, Conrail's chairman, president and chief executive officer. "This is high BTU coal that will assist these customers, primarily utilities, in conforming with environmental requirements."

Plans for the purchases were announced in November 1989 with the P&LE and March 1990 with CSXT. Terms of the transactions were filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission, which approved the transactions in an order which became effective Sept. 17.

The Monongahela Railway Co. includes rail lines between Millsboro, Pa., and Waynesburg, Pa., and between Brownsville, Pa., and Fairmont, W.Va.

Conrail operates a rail freight network in 14 Northeast and Midwest states, the District of Columbia and the Province of Quebec.

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EDISON, NJ (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - As was previously projected disclosed on Sept. 21, 1990, Midlantic Corporation (NASDAQ: MIDL) today announced that, as a result of the company's decision to bolster its reserves for possible loan losses in response to weakening market conditions, it reported a loss for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the loss totaled $159 million, or $4.20 per share on a fully diluted basis. In the same period last year, consolidated net income was $66.1 million and fully diluted earnings per share were $1.68.

For the year-to-date 1990, Midlantic reported a loss amounting to $182.4 million and a fully diluted loss per share of $4.86. In the first nine months of last year, Midlantic's net income was $187.2 million, or $4.78 on a fully diluted per-share basis.

In the third quarter 1990, Midlantic strengthened its reserves substantially through a loan loss provision amounting to $285 million. This action was taken as a result of continuing declines in real estate values and in view of national economic uncertainties.

Commenting on the quarterly and year-to-date financial results, Midlantic Corporation Chairman Robert Van Buren stated, "This is a time of extraordinary conditions in the U.S. financial services industry, and banks - including

Midlantic - are currently facing some of the most difficult challenges to confront the industry in decades.

Midlantic's capital ratios exceed federal regulatory requirements for banking organizations. At Sept. 30, 1990, common shareholders' equity was $1.24 billion and primary capital totaled $2.2 billion, or 8.9 percent of total assets. Book value per common share was $32.45 at the end of the third quarter.

The reserve for possible loan losses at Sept. 30, 1990, was $706 million, or 76 percent of non-performing loans. In the previous quarter, the reserve amounted to $550 million, or 76 percent of non-performing loans. Non-performing loans at the end of the third quarter were $932 million, or 5.4 percent of total loans, compared to $725 million, or 4.1 percent of total loans, at June 30, 1990.

Total assets of the corporation at Sept. 30, 1990, were $23.9 billion; total deposits were $20 billion; and total loans, net of unearned income, amounted to $17.1 billion. This compares to $23.2 billion, $18 billion, $18.2 billion, respectively, at Sept. 30, 1989.

Midlantic Corporation is an interstate bank holding company headquartered in Edison. The corporation operates 512 offices primarily in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and New York.

CONTACT: Donald W. Ebbert Jr. (investors), 201-321-8138, or James O. Lacey, 201-321-8289, both of Midlantic/

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DAYTON, OHIO (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Record third quarter and nine months operating results were announced by The Duriron Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: DURI) at its board of directors meeting held today in Dayton, Ohio. These results along with continued strong incoming business and an all-time high backlog level have positioned Duriron for its third consecutive record year according to company management.

Third quarter sales of $72.2 million yielded net earnings of $5.2 million, or $0.42 per share. In 1989's third quarter, Duriron posted sales of $67.2 million with net earnings of $4.4 million, or $0.35 per share.

For the nine months, sales were $219.0 million with net earnings of $15.0 million and earnings per share of $1.20. In the first nine months of 1989, Duriron's sales were $211.0 million while net earnings were $14.8 million, or $1.18 per share.

Incoming business remained strong during the third quarter as the company booked orders totalling $73.9 million. At Sept. 30, 1990, backlog stood at an all-time record high of $73.3 million. This represents an increase of approximately $700,000 during the period.

Management was particularly pleased with these results as the third quarter is historically the company's weakest. This is largely due to extended vacation-related plant shutdowns at its European operations and to a combination of a routine annual foundry maintenance shutdown and heavy vacation schedules throughout all North American operations. According to John S. Haddick, Duriron's chairman and chief executive officer, the company's quarterly financial performance was "on target" with projections. He attributed an improvement in gross margins for the quarter to the effect of plant efficiency improvements, aggressive pricing policies and a more profitable order mix resulting from fewer competitively priced large construction projects as a percentage of total shipments.

In other news, the company announced it has reached a labor agreement with Dayton Pump and Foundry Division employees represented by United Steelworkers of America Local 3320. The new three-year contract is effective through Oct. 16, 1993.

During the third quarter, Raymond D. "Pete" Gillaugh, senior vice president and chief administrative officer, retired after 27 years of distinguished service.

Also, at its meeting today, the board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of 12-1/2 cents per share payable Dec. 7, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 2, 1990. With this payment, the company will have completed 55 years of consecutive quarterly dividends.

The Duriron Company, Inc.
Consolidated Financial Summary
(Dollars in Thousands Except Per Share Data)

	September 30,		3rd Quarter Inc. (Decrease)	
Fin. Condition	1990	1989(B)	1990	1989(B)
Cur. Assets(A)	$130,997	$124,278	$ 1,734	$ 1,549
Cur. Liab.	48,694	42,285	758	(995)
Work. Capital	$ 82,303	$ 81,993	$ 976	$ 2,544
Net Property & Other Assets	73,891	63,548	2,338	187
Long Term Liab. & Deferrals	37,303	42,219	(1,160)	(515)
Shareholders' Equity	$118,891	$103,322	$ 4,474	$ 3,246
Book Value per				

Share Outs.	$9.55	$8.32	$0.35	$0.26
	Quarter Ended		9 Mos. Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
Operations	1990	1989(B)	1990	1989(B)
Net Sales	$72,181	$67,157	$218,952	$211,004
Gr. Pft. Margin	$27,330	$24,905	$ 82,503	$ 78,121
Selling & Adm. Exp.	$15,516	$13,883	$ 46,245	$ 43,470
Res., Engr. & Dev. Exp.	$ 2,311	$ 2,077	$ 7,252	$ 5,817
Other Deductions, Net	$ 1,242	$ 1,625	$ 4,735	$ 4,535
Earnings Before Inc. Taxes	$ 8,261	$ 7,320	$24,271	$ 24,299
Income Taxes	$ 3,080	$ 2,890	$ 9,250	$ 9,521
Net Earnings	$ 5,181	$ 4,430	$15,021	$ 14,778
Avg. Com. Shares & Com. Equiv. Outstanding	12,544,490	12,503,790	12,544,490	12,503,790
Net Earnings per Common Share	$0.42	$0.35	$1.20	$1.18
Dividends Pd. (on shares outstanding)	$0.125	$0.115	$0.375	$0.345
Performance Ratios (as a Percent of Net Sales)				
Gr. Pft. Margin	37.9	37.1	37.7	37.0
Selling & Adm.	21.5	20.7	21.1	20.6
Research, Engr. & Development	3.2	3.1	3.3	2.8
Earnings Before Income Taxes	11.4	10.9	11.1	11.5
Net Earnings	7.2	6.6	6.9	7.0

(A) Domestic inventories included in current assets as of Sept. 30, 1990 and Sept. 30, 1989, were valued using LIFO. Based on current cost, these inventories would be $26,828,000 and $28,517,000 higher, respectively.

(B) On Nov. 29, 1989, the company acquired all outstanding stock of Automax, Inc. in exchange for 552,000 shares of common stock. The acquisition was accounted for by the pooling-of-interest method and, although not material, all financial data for 1989 periods prior to the acquisition have been restated to include the results of the acquired company.

Interim reports are prepared from company records and are subject to year-end audit by independent certified public accountants.

CONTACT: The Duriron Company, Inc. Public Relations Department, 513-226-4450

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CHARLOTTE, MICH. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Spartan Motors, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SPAR) today announced that its board of directors has authorized management to

repurchase, in the open market, up to 50,000 shares of its common stock, contingent upon market conditions. The initial repurchase of 10,000 shares is being made today.

George W. Sztykiel, chairman and president, said that the board authorized the repurchase program because the company's stock is favorably priced and because it has full confidence in the company's short- and long-term growth and profitability. The board did not set a time limit for completion of the repurchase program.

Spartan Motors, Inc. is the leading manufacturer of custom-designed fire truck chassis, motorhome chassis and other specialty and emergency vehicle chassis.

CONTACT: Peter W. McCarty or Anthony G. Sommer of Spartan Motors, Inc., 517-543-6400; or Edda Brown or Harley R. Gleckman of The Wall Street Financial Corporation, 213-552-1555, for Spartan Motors, Inc.

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#90292p7174 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, CA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Mortgage and Realty Trust (NYSE: MRT) announced that a joint plan of reorganization was filed with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Los Angeles.

The filing of the plan followed an announcement made on Oct. 3 that an agreement in principle had been reached with the Trust's Creditors and Shareholders Committees on the terms of a reorganization plan. It is anticipated that a bankruptcy court hearing concerning confirmation of the joint plan should take place by January 1991.

CONTACT: Robert Wolcott of Mortgage and Realty Trust, (818) 953-7722.

-30- 764

#90292p7175 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELGIN, IL (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Safety-Kleen Corp. (NYSE: SK) announced today it has commenced a public offering of three million shares of its common stock at $33.50 per share.

Safety-Kleen Corp. has granted the underwriters an option to purchase up to 450,000 additional shares to cover overallotments. All shares are being sold by the company. The U.S. and international underwriter groups are each being led by William Blair & Company and Solomon Brothers Inc.

Net proceeds from the offering will be used to repay bank borrowings, finance acquisitions and for general corporate purposes, including capital expenditures.

Safety-Kleen Corp. is the world's largest provider of parts cleaner services and related solvent recycling. The company also collects a variety of hazardous and quasi-hazardous liquid wastes from automotive repair outlets, industrial plants, dry cleaners and other waste generators. The fluids are recycled or re-defined for reuse or blended into fuels for use in industrial furnaces or cement kilns.

CONTACT: Robert Willmschen, vice president-finance of Safety Kleen, (708) 697-8460.

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#90292p7178 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOCA RATON, FL (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Products, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CPRD) today announced the promotion of two of its executives to the level of corporate vice president. Donald Jackson has been promoted to corporate vice president-information systems, from his previous position as director of systems/chief information officer. David Swant has been promoted to corporate vice president-human resources from his previous position as director of human resources.

Jackson, 47, manages all of the company's information systems and supporting information technologies, such as data processing, computer operations, telecommunications, data communications and other business applications.

Prior to joining Computer Products in 1989, Jackson spent 18 years with Unisys Corporation, where he held increasingly important executive positions. Most recently with Unisys, Jackson served as director of manufacturing systems.

As corporate vice president-human resources, David Swant manages company-wide human resources policies and programs, including employee relations, training, benefits and compensation.

Swant, 40, joined Computer Products in 1982. He previously served as director of human resources for Modular Computer Systems from 1973-82.

Computer Products was founded in 1968 and now employs more than 1,700 persons worldwide. The company is organized into three businesses: Power Conversion, Measurement & Control and Government Electronics.

Computer Products recorded 1989 sales of $120 million. The company is headquartered in Boca Raton, Fla., and has manufacturing facilities in Pompano Beach, Fla.; Boston; Fremont, Calif.; Boulder, Colo.; Hong Kong; and the Republic of Ireland. Its products are sold through a worldwide network of distributors and independent sales representatives, as well as directly to original equipment manufacturers.

CONTACT: Eugene L. Zuch of Computer Products, Inc., 407-451-1012;

or Stan Schneider of Redgate Communications Corp., 305-435-3310, for Computer Products, Inc.

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#90292p7184 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDLAND, TEXAS (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - P&P Equity Co. Ltd., the general partners of Parker & Parsley Development Partners L.P. (AMEX: PDP), today declared the thirteenth consecutive quarterly distribution since inception of 45 cents per Unit. The distribution is payable on Dec. 15, 1990 to unitholders of record as of Oct. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Herbert C. Williamson III or Lon C. Kile of Parker & Parsley Development Partners L.P., 915-686-4480

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#90292p7185 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Al Wiman, health reporter at KMOV-TV/St. Louis, has joined Wang Associates Health Communications as director of broadcast services, announced Julie Wang, the company's president. Wang Associates Health Communications is the largest independent public relations agency specializing in health and high technology.

Wiman brings to Wang more than 20 years of experience in the field of broadcast journalism. Wiman will continue to work part-time as the medical and science editor at CBS-affiliated KMOV-TV, where he has been since 1974. During that time, he received three Emmys from the St. Louis chapter of the National Academy of TV Arts and Sciences.

"Al's experience will enable Wang Associates Health Communications to achieve our goal of producing the best videos in the business," said Wang.

Wiman recently produced B-roll for Wang Associates Health Communications that was aired on all three major networks, CNN, and many local stations, reaching an audience of over 100 million. "Our client is thrilled and we were told by several network reporters that this was the best video material they had ever received from a public relations agency," noted Wang.

Before joining KMOV, Wiman worked as news director at WCTV-TV in Florida. Earlier, he worked as an investigative reporter for KABC-TV and KCBS-TV, two television stations in Los Angeles, where he won three Golden Mikes from the Southern California Radio-TV News Association.

Wiman has received a number of awards from health and science organizations, such as the National Kidney Foundation and the American Cancer Society. In the summer of 1990 he received an award from the Sigma Tau Foundation for his reporting on Alzheimer's disease.

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FRANKENMUTH, MICH. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Randall E. Heine has agreed to acquire all of the stock of Frankenmuth Brewery, Inc., Michigan's oldest operating brewery. Heine, president and owner of Total Foods Corporation of West Bloomfield, Mich., is a native of Frankenmuth.

"The brewery is an excellent facility and brews some fine beers," said Heine. "The Frankenmuth and Old Detroit brands have shown great popularity and encouraging growth during the past two years. It is important for Michigan that these fine beers continue to be available and brewed in Michigan."

Ferdinand M. (Fred) Schumacher is continuing as chief operating officer of Frankenmuth Brewery, Inc. and Fred Scheer as brewmaster.

Said Schumacher, "We congratulate Mr. Heine and welcome him back to his native Frankenmuth. Frankenmuth Brewery thus remains Michigan-owned and operated."

The company's sales volume has been running 90 percent above last year's sales. The brewery will continue to supply the market with its award-winning beers and does not expect any interruption in availability of Old Detroit Amber Ale or Frankenmuth Old German Style Beers.

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MIDDLEBURY, CT (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - General DataComm Industries, Inc. (NYSE: GDC) today reported that revenues for its fourth fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $51.6 million, up 5 percent from revenues of $49.3 million for the same period a year ago and up 4 percent from the preceding fiscal 1990 third quarter.

Operating income for the fourth quarter, before restructuring charges, was $1.7 million, against operating income of $18,000 for the September quarter last year and $1.2 million from the preceding fiscal 1990 third quarter. Restructuring costs in both periods, $3.2 million for the current fourth quarter and $5.3 million in the 1989 fourth quarter, were attributable to reserves set aside to carry vacant industrial facilities.

The net loss for the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter was $1.2 million or $(.08) per share, against a net loss of $6.2 million or $(.42) per share for the

comparable period a year ago.

Excluding restructuring charges, net income for the fourth quarter would have been $2.0 million or $.13 per share against a net loss of $894,000 or $(.06) per share for the year ago period, and income of $435,000 or $.03 per share for the preceding fiscal 1990 third quarter.

Revenues for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $201.5 million, compared to revenues of $201.2 million for fiscal year 1989. Operating income for the full year, before restructuring costs, was $6.4 million against an operating loss of $1.4 million for fiscal 1989. Net income with restructuring charges was $159,000 or $.01 per share. This compares with a net loss last year of $9 million or $(.61) per share. Excluding restructuring charges, net income for fiscal 1990 totaled $3.4 million or $.22 per share, compared to a net loss of $3.7 million or $(.25) per share a year ago.

"GDC's results for the fourth quarter and full year are indicative of positive changes that have occurred at all levels of the company's operations," said Charles P. Johnson, chairman and chief executive officer. "Notwithstanding uncertain U.S. economic conditions, revenues for fiscal 1990 held steady, enabling GDC to report four consecutive quarters of operating income, before restructuring provisions. This is a significant improvement after two years of losses.

"We have seen an improving trend in the last half of fiscal 1990, which we expect will carry forward into this year. However, events such as the present state of the U.S. economy, the current impasse on government spending, and the tensions in the Middle East do leave us concerned. Nevertheless, we have aggressively positioned GDC to be a leader in its markets by understanding, participating and interfacing with the profound telecommunications and networking changes that are now occurring worldwide, and will continue to occur over the decade."

General DataComm is a leading provider of systems, solutions, equipment and services for information networks worldwide.

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Team Bank, as Trustee of the San Juan Basin Royalty Trust (NYSE: SJT), today declared there would be no cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of record on Oct. 31, 1990.

Royalty income was approximately $594,000 for the month of October. However,

production expenses in May, June, July, August and September exceeded revenues by approximately $2,590,700 due to increased capital costs, decreased natural gas production and the low sales price of natural gas. The Trust's portion of this excess was approximately $1,943,000 before applying October's income. In accordance with the Royalty Conveyance, the excess of expenses over income must be recovered from subsequent months' royalty income. Additionally, in order for the Trust to pay administrative expenses for September and October, the Trustee borrowed funds totaling $40,832. The deferred charge created by this borrowing must also be repaid before further distributions can be made to Unit Holders. Therefore, the total to be recovered from future income is approximately $1,389,800.

Capital costs totaled approximately $477,000 for the month. Production for the properties from which the royalty was carved totaled approximately 1,491,400 Mcf. The average gas price was $1.33 per Mcf.

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BATTLE CREEK, MI (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Boosted by a strong performance in its international operations, Kellogg Company (NYSE: K) today reported increased third-quarter sales and earnings.

"During the quarter, we continued to achieve substantial volume gains in our international division," said William E. LaMothe, chairman of the board and chief executive officer. "Our strong international performance, aided by favorable currency exchange rates, contributed significantly to our overall sales and earnings results."

LaMothe continued: "In the United States, our ready-to-eat cereal business continues to be soft. Intense competition and slower growth of the category have made it more difficult to regain market share. However, we remain fully committed to meeting that challenge and we are very optimistic about worldwide growth prospects."

Kellogg's net sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $1.35 billion, up 13.1 percent over the third quarter of 1989. Net earnings were $162.3 million, up 31.8 percent, resulting in earnings per share rising from $1.02 to $1.34.

For the first nine months of 1990, sales were $3.82 billion, up 7.1 percent over 1989. Net earnings were $394.3 million, up 8.3 percent without the effect of a 1989 accounting change. With the change, which inflated nine-months profits in 1989, the 1990 earnings were down 4.4 percent. Earnings per share were $3.26, compared to $2.99 in 1989 without the accounting change and $3.38 with the change.

The company's cost containment programs aided third-quarter and nine-months results in 1990. Last year's third-quarter earnings were impacted negatively by a one-time pretax charge of $14.8 million ($.08 a share) in connection with the disposition of certain operations and related assets.

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WAYNE, PA. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - SEI Corp. (NASDAQ: SEIC) today reported results of operations for the third quarter ending Sept. 30.

Revenue for the third quarter was $41.7 million, vs. $38.2 million reported for the same period last year, while pre-tax income for third quarter 1990 was $4.7 million, compared to $5 million for the corresponding quarter last year. Net income for the third period of 1990 was $3 million, compared to $3.1 million reported in 1989.

Earnings per share for the third quarter this year were 27 cents, the same as that reported for the third quarter in 1989. Shares used to compute earnings per share for the current period was 11,333,000 compared to 11,535,000 in the same quarter last year.

Revenue for the first nine months of 1990 was $126.3 million, vs. $107.2 million registered in the first three quarters last year. Income before income taxes for the first three periods of 1990 was $14.5 million, compared to $14.9 million for the corresponding three quarters last year. Net income for the first three quarters this year was $9 million, vs. $9.3 million in 1989.

Earnings per share for the first three quarters of 1990 were 81 cents, compared to 80 cents in the same period in 1989. Shares used to compute earnings per share for these periods were 11,063,000 in 1990 and 11,631,000 in 1989.

Information Services has performed above previous expectations, the company said. Operating profit in third quarter 1990 was $3.6 million, while operating profit for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to $10.3 million; profit margins were 21 percent for the first nine months of 1990 compared with 15 percent for the same period in 1989.

During the third quarter, the division concluded agreements with Key Trust, First Fidelity and Chase Lincoln, three top 100 banks. These new signings, when added to other business in 1990, produce a high degree of assurance that margins will continue to improve in the future.

The Financial Services segment achieved an operating profit of $3.7 million

for the three months ending Sept. 30, 1990, which is less than that generated in the preceding quarter. The major cause of this decline was the unpredictability of the transfer of funds from clients to SEI mutual funds. In addition, fee revenues, as a percentage of assets under management ($13 billion at Sept. 30, 1990), continue to decline as the product mix shifts from high-fee to low-fee products. The outlook for this business remains optimistic as the division positions itself as a major provider of services for bank proprietary mutual funds.

In the Evaluation Services Division revenue for third quarter 1990 was $12.8 million, with an operating profit of $2.2 million. Both revenues and earnings have been flat for some time during the period in which restructuring has gone forward. During this difficult transition, results would have been reduced, were it not for the strong support of SEI's client base and the efforts of the division's employees.

Benefit Services and New Ventures combined produced an operating loss in the third quarter of $1.9 million. In spite of this loss, the company said it believes that these ventures are necessary to construct new businesses and aimed at markets with significant potential.

SEI CORP.
(In thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$41,726	$38,157	$126,281	$107,238
Income before income taxes	4,726	4,960	14,537	14,917
Net income	3,028	3,100	9,013	9,323
Earnings per common and common equivalent share	$.27	$.27	$.81	$.80
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	11,333	11,535	11,063	11,631

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NEW HAVEN, CT (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - First Constitution Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: FCON), the holding company that owns First Constitution Bank, reported a net loss of $12.9 million or $1.18 per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, compared with a loss of $10.9 million or $1.00 a share for the same period a year ago.

This year's third-quarter loss, when added to first- and second-quarter losses of $39.4 million and $19.0 million, results in a net loss for the nine months of $71.3 million or $6.51 a share. This compares with a loss of $1.3 million

or 11 cents a share for the first nine months of 1989, according to John J. Crawford, president and chief executive officer.

The 1990 third-quarter results reflect an addition to reserves for losses of $12.0 million, bringing total reserves for loan losses and real estate investments to $93.6 million. Non-performing assets were $273.4 million at Sept. 30, an increase of $36.5 million in the quarter -- consisting principally of $22.6 million in commercial real estate loans and $11.3 million in residential real estate loans. The ratio of reserves to non-performing assets was 34 percent at Sept. 30.

"Our business continues to be affected by the widespread deterioration of the Connecticut economy and, in particular, the persistent decline in our state's real estate markets," Crawford said. "That is why a priority of ours is working out problem loans."

Shareholders' equity at Sept. 30 was $144.1 million. Total assets were $2.2 billion. The consolidated equity-to-asset ratio was 6.6 percent, and book value per share was $13.16.

Primary and total capital ratios for First Constitution Bank, computed according to FDIC requirements, were both 8.7 percent at Sept. 30. "Similar to actions taken at other banking institutions recently, First Constitution Bank directors have entered into a memorandum of understanding with federal and state regulators -- following the completion of an examination of the bank. The memorandum calls principally for development of a plan to maintain a primary capital ratio of at least 8 percent, while continuing to maintain adequate loan loss reserves and working to reduce adversely classified assets " Crawford said.

Net interest income before the provision for loan losses was $8.9 million for this year's third quarter, compared with $12.6 million a year ago. For the nine months, net interest income was $31 million, compared with $40.1 million last year.

Third quarter non-interest income was $1.2 million this year, compared with $4 million last year, when there was an early settlement of a large loan and income from investments. This year's nine-month non-interest income was $1 million, compared with $12.2 million for the same period last year. This difference is attributable primarily to gains on investment securities in 1989 and losses recognized in 1990.

Non-interest expense for the 1990 third quarter was $11.2 million, compared with $9.7 million for the same period last year. For the nine months of 1990, it was $34.5 million, compared with $26.7 million for last year's first nine months.

Because of the adverse effect of non-accruing loans, the average interest rate

spread for the third quarter was 1.47 percent. The net interest margin was 1.74 percent.

First Constitution Bank is a state-chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank with 22 offices in New Haven and Fairfield counties.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Unilever announced today that it is to expand its interests in Venezuela with the acquisition of the Facegra and Jainsa edible oils and detergents businesses. It has agreed to purchase the entire share capital of the family owned businesses, for an undisclosed sum.

Facegra and Jainsa, based in Valencia, employ some 900 people and manufacture a range of table oils and soaps. Their combined sales will total about US$50 million (approximately 25 million pounds sterling) in 1990.

The purchase of the businesses is in line with Unilever's strategy for further expansion in Latin America and will provide a significant entry into the Venezuelan edible oils and fats market.

Unilever's existing interest are centered on the Lever-Pond's company. Caracas, which manufactures and sells a range of detergents, including toilet soaps and fabric conditioner; personal products including toothpaste, skin cream and fragrances; and soups and teas. Sales in 1989 totaled some US$30 million (approximately 15 million pounds).

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#90292p7227 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBOROUGH, MA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - New England Electric System (NYSE: NES) (NEES) today reported earnings for the nine months and 12 months ended September 1990 of $3.60 and $4.33 per average share, respectively. This compares to $1.65 and $2.00, respectively, earned in the corresponding periods last year on fewer average shares. NEES earnings for the nine months and 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were increased by $1.81 and $1.83 per share due to adjustments recorded in the third quarter of 1990 related to the investment in the Seabrook I nuclear unit by NEES' wholesale generating subsidiary, New England Power Company (NEP).

As previously reported, these adjustments reflect the terms of a 1988 NEP rate settlement approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Under the

settlement, in 1988 NEP took a $179 million after-tax write-down of its Seabrook I investment, assuming that the unit would be cancelled. In fact, Seabrook I has successfully entered commercial service. Accordingly, NEP has reversed a portion of the write-down taken in 1988, which increased net income by $115 million after tax, or $1.81 per share.

Many decisions made during the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's licensing of Seabrook I are being appealed and investigated. The Seabrook plant and nuclear power remain controversial, and challenges to both continue. NEP does not believe that pending appeals will result in the permanent withdrawal from service or cancellation of Seabrook I. However, if this should occur, NEP could be required to cease collecting and/or refund part of the revenue permitted by its 1988 rate settlement, and a write-down could be required at that time. Those revenues are already included in NEP's current rates.

Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were also increased by 10 cents per share due to a seasonal rate design implemented by NEP. This seasonal rate design involves higher rates during peak months and lower rates during off-peak months. It was designed to have no significant impact on earnings during a full year.

NEW ENGLAND ELECTRIC SYSTEM AND SUBSIDIARIES (CONSOLIDATED)

	Periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 (a)		
	Quarter	Nine Months	12 Months
Operating revenue	$476,250,000	$1,383,608,000	$1,812,743,000
Net income	$162,687,000	$ 229,364,000	$ 272,047,000
Average common shares	63,985,710	63,641,220	62,836,995
Net income per average share	$ 2.55	$ 3.60	$ 4.33
	Periods ended Sept. 30, 1989		
	Quarter	Nine Months	12 Months
Operating revenue	$414,607,000	$1,214,064,000	$1,584,830,000
Net income	$ 33,043,000	$ 95,967,000	$ 116,029,000
Average common shares	58,643,980	58,306,888	58,122,437
Net income per average share	57 cents	$ 1.65	$ 2.00

NOTE (a): Include an increase to income of $115 million after-tax recorded in the third quarter of 1990, due to previously mentioned adjustments related to NEP's investment in Seabrook I.

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BOTHELL, WA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - ICOS Corporation today announced the appointment of Janice M. LeCocq as executive vice president, chief financial and administrative officer, and a member of the board of directors. LeCocq becomes the fourth ICOS officer, joining a management team comprised of individuals who previously founded three of the largest and most successful biotechnology companies.

Formerly, LeCocq was the general partner in charge of health care corporate finance activities at Montgomery Securities in San Francisco. Since 1986 she generated approximately $400 million in public and private financings for corporate clients. Prior to 1986 she was employed at Montgomery Securities as a securities analyst and an associate in corporate finance specializing in biomedical technology and biotechnology companies. LeCocq holds a Ph.D. from Stanford University.

"The depth of Jan LeCocq's expertise in corporate finance and management makes her a uniquely qualified addition to our team. She adds a powerful new dimension not typically found within management groups of biotechnology companies," said Robert C. Nowinski, ICOS's chief executive officer and president. Dr. Nowinski was formally founder, president, CEO and chairman of Genetic Systems Corporation. Other prominent founders of the ICOS team include: Dr. George B. Rathmann (chairman of the board of directors), formerly founder, president, CEO and chairman of Amgen Corporation; and Dr. Christopher S. Henney (executive vice president and scientific director), formerly co- founder, executive vice president and scientific director of Immunex.

ICOS Corporation, a newly founded biopharmaceutical firm specializing in the development of new treatments for chronic inflammatory diseases, recently raised $33 million in initial financing -- the largest start-up financing of any biotech company to date. This sizable financial base has allowed ICOS to begin operations this month with a new 30,000-square-foot laboratory facility, and 65 employees, including 22 with Ph.D. or M.D. degrees.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesabi Trust (NYSE: MSB) announced today that the trustees of Mesabi Trust have declared a distribution of $.05 per unit of Beneficial Interest in Mesabi Trust, payable in cash on Tuesday, Nov. 20, 1990, to unitholders of record at the close of business Tuesday, Oct. 30.

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#90292p7231 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
YORK, PA. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - York Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: YFED), parent company of York Federal Savings and Loan Association, today announced net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $1,510,000 or $.49 per share.

This in an increase in net income for the same period in the prior year of $1,455,000 and no change in the related earnings per share of $.49 per share.

A condensed income statement for the periods follows:

YORK FINANCIAL CORP.
(In thousands)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net interest income	$5,437	$5,043
Other income	1,638	1,553
Other expenses	4,383	4,071
Income before income taxes	2,692	2,525
Provision for income taxes	1,182	1,070
Net income	1,510	1,455

In addition, the company announced the declaration of a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.17 per share payable Nov. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 3.

York Financial Corp. has assets in excess of $830 million and is the largest independent financial institution headquartered in York County, Pa.

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NEWTOWN, PA. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - SPS Technologies (NYSE: ST) today announced that it expects to report a net loss for the third quarter in the range of $2.5 million to $3.5 million, or $.50 to $.70 per share.

The principal reasons for the expected third quarter results are a provision for estimated loss on a note received in connection with the sale of a business in a prior year; a large loss by the company's Brazilian affiliate in which SPS owns a 46 percent share; and weak domestic automotive, machine tool and industrial machinery markets yielding poor operating results for the company's fastener and materials operations serving those markets.

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#90292p7234 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRESTON, MD. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Preston Corporation (NASDAQ: PTRK) announced today operating results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues were $171.5 million for the quarter compared to $155.0 million in the third quarter of 1989. The company recorded a net loss for the quarter of $19,455,000 or $3.38 per share versus income of $161,000 or $0.03 a share for the same quarter last year.

On Oct. 9, 1990, the company announced that it was closing Pioneer Transportation Systems of Hurlock, Md., and Reeves Transportation Company of Calhoun, Ga. As a result of these closings, the company established a $17.8 million after-tax loss reserve or $3.08 per share which was charged to earnings during the third quarter, and estimated that the third quarter loss would be $3.37.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company recorded a net loss of $18,433,000 or $3.20 per share compared to net income of $3,371,000 or $0.58 per share earned during the first nine months of 1989. Revenues for the nine months were $500.0 million versus $464.0 million for the same period last year.

Looking to the future, William B. Potter, president and chief executive officer, noted, "Preston Corporation will now devote its resources to its other subsidiaries which are doing very well in the short-haul, less-than-truckload segment of the trucking industry." As a group, revenues for the remaining companies increased 14 percent and operating income rose 42 percent over the third quarter of 1989.

Potter said, "Our recent actions mean that future results will not be affected by the losses associated with Pioneer and Reeves. This, in turn, enables us to pay down debt, reduce interest payments, and strengthen the corporation's cash flow while providing sufficient capital to meet the needs of Saia, Preston Trucking Company, and Smalley. We are anticipating a profitable fourth quarter that, in an uncertain economy, should be a positive indicator of the earnings improvement that is possible in the coming year."

Preston Corporation is a holding company which, through its subsidiaries, transports freight by truck for a wide range of manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers. The subsidiaries include Preston Trucking Company, Inc. of Preston Md.; Saia Motor Freight Line, Inc. of Houma, La.; and Smalley Transportation Company of Tampa, Fla.

PRESTON CORPORATION
Consolidated Revenues and Net Income
For the Quarter and Nine Months Ended Sept. 30
(Unaudited -- in thousands except share amounts)

	Third Quarter	Year to Date

	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	171,517	155,170	499,916	464,177
Net income (loss)	(19,455)	161	(18,433)	3,371
Earnings (loss) per share (primary)	($3.38)	$0.03	($3.20)	$0.58
Average shares outstanding (primary)	5,758,701	5,798,554	5,758,701	5,807,191

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CHICAGO (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Itel Corporation's (NYSE: ITL) revenue was $567 million, up 5 percent from the $543 million in last year's third quarter. Income after cash taxes was $15.8 million, or $0.30 per share, versus $16.7 million, or $0.30 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

Federal income tax is not accruable or payable by Itel because of the utilization of substantial tax-loss carryforwards. The cash taxes paid by Itel are primarily state and foreign.

Revenue for the first nine months of 1990 rose 9 percent to $1.7 billion from $1.6 billion a year earlier. Income after cash taxes was $41.1 million, or $0.76 per share, compared to $41.9 million, or $0.73 per share, in the first nine months of 1990.

The container business had higher income in the third quarter versus last year because of improved lease rental rates and lower depreciation charges offsetting the expenses related to the development of the instant space and environmental container programs. Revenue was $70 million in the 1990 third quarter, up from $66 million a year earlier. Operating income rose slightly to $34 million from $33 million in the third quarter of 1989.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)
(in millions, except per share amounts)

	THREE MONTH PERIODS ENDED SEPT. 30,		NINE MONTH PERIODS ENDED SEPT. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$566.7	$543.0	$1,706.1	$1,571.0
Cost of operations	(474.6)	(450.3)	(1,444.1)	(1,304.3)
Operating income before other expenses	92.1	92.7	262.0	266.7
OTHER EXPENSES:				
Interest expense and other, net	(73.5)	(69.9)	(210.0)	(208.1)
Amortization of				

intangible assets	(2.8)	(2.5)	(8.3)	(7.1)
Income before income taxes	15.8	20.3	43.7	51.5
INCOME TAX EXPENSE: Provision in lieu of federal tax which is not accruable or payable	(8.4)	(6.1)	(20.9)	(18.4)
Other, principally foreign and state taxes	0.0	(3.6)	(2.6)	(9.6)
Net income	7.4	10.6	20.2	23.5
Preferred stock dividends and amortization	(1.5)	(1.5)	(4.6)	(4.6)
Income applicable to common stock	$ 5.9	$ 9.1	$15.6	$18.9
Income per common and common equivalent share	$0.12	$0.18	$0.32	$0.37
Weighted average common & common equivalent shares	47.5	51.2	48.3	50.5

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JERSEY CITY, N.J. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The B. Manischewitz Company announced today that it has entered into a definitive acquisition agreement with a company organized by the merchant banking firm Kohlberg & Co. Certain members of the Manischewitz senior management, including CEO Robert M. Starr, will own equity in the new company. Under the agreement, MANO Holdings Corporation will acquire all of the outstanding Manischewitz shares for $42.5 million, or $800 per share. The acquisition will be accomplished by means of a cash tender offer followed by a merger.

The terms of the acquisition have been approved by the company's board of directors. Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc., the company's financial advisor, has rendered an opinion that the consideration offered pursuant to the offer and the merger is fair to the company's shareholders from a financial point of view. Members of the board of directors holding an aggregate of 29.3 percent of the company's outstanding shares have agreed to tender and/or vote their shares in favor of the transaction.

MANO Holdings has received the commitment of Citicorp North America, Inc. to provide debt financing, and the commitment of a Kohlberg & Co. affiliate to provide up to $17 million of equity in connection with the acquisition. The commitments, as well as the tender offer, are subject to customary conditions, including a condition that Citicorp North America, Inc. provide the funds referred to in the commitment later. In addition, the tender offer will be conditioned on two-thirds of the company's shares accepting the tender offer.

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#90292p7249 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMPBELLTOWN, PA. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Nuclear Support Services Inc. (NASDAQ: NSSI) today reported the resignation of Laurence M. Strassner as employee and director of the company.

Joe C. Quick, chairman, president and chief executive officer, stated, "I received Mr. Strassner's letter of resignation late yesterday. The letter indicates Mr. Strassner's resignation is to be effective September 28, 1990, and states no reason for the resignation." Quick declined to comment or speculate on the reasons for Strassner's resignation, but added, "It is my firmly held opinion that Mr. Strassner's resignation will not have any material effect on company operations."

Nuclear Support Services Inc. and its subsidiary, HENZE-MOVATS Inc. are leaders in providing support and maintenance to the nuclear power, fossil and processing industries.

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PEORIA, ILL. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - In its third quarter report released today, Caterpillar Financial Services Corp. announced record revenues, profit, and new business volume for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

Revenues for the quarter reached $70.6 million, a $14.9 million, or 27 percent increase over the same period last year. The increase in revenues reflected higher volume which resulted from an increase in new business financed and a higher level of dealer retail receivable purchases.

Profit after tax rose to $6.8 million, an 8 percent increase over the third quarter of 1989. The increase in profit reflected higher business volume, higher portfolio earnings, and a lower cost of debt compared with one year ago. Partially offsetting these positive factors was higher income tax expense during the quarter, which reflected increased state tax liability.

New business financed reached $938.3 million, a 27 percent increase compared with the first nine months of 1989.

"The company achieved a milestone by reaching $2 billion in assets during the third quarter," said James S. Beard, vice president of Caterpillar Inc. and president of Caterpillar Financial Services. "We financed a greater share of the available business and purchased a number of dealer retail receivables. Our performance reflects dealer and customer recognition of the high level of service offered by the company."

Caterpillar Financial Services Corp. provides a wide range of financing alternatives for Caterpillar earthmoving and construction equipment, lift trucks, engines, turbines, and related products sold through Caterpillar dealers in the United States, Canada, and Australia. Caterpillar Financial is headquartered in Peoria, Ill., and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Caterpillar Inc. (NYSE: CAT).

CONTACT: Richard Stober of Caterpillar, 309-675-5548

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Hadson Power Systems, a subsidiary of Hadson Corp. (NYSE: HAD), and Westmoreland Energy Inc., a subsidiary of Westmoreland Coal Co. (NASDAQ:WMOR), announced today that their jointly owned partnership commenced funding in September of a $100 million non-recourse construction loan for the third in a series of four cogeneration projects in Virginia, after receiving required environmental permits. These funds, as previously announced, are being provided by a syndicate of banks, led by Credit Suisse, Barclays Bank PLC and Banque de la Societe Financiere Europeanne ("BSFE") under a $400 million construction and term debt project financing. Construction of the remaining project will commence upon the receipt of required environmental permits.

The projects will each be 70 MW gross coal cogeneration units supplying reliable electrical power to Virginia Electric and Power Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of Dominion Resources Corp., and steam to existing industrial hosts. Hadson Power Systems will engineer, construct and operate the plants. Westmoreland will provide a portion of the coal supply required by the projects.

Hadson Corp. is an independent producer and supplier of energy products as well as an electric power services firm. Hadson has operations in natural gas and gas liquids; international oil and gas exploration, and is a leader in the development, construction, operation and ownership of electric power generation facilities.

Westmoreland Energy, a developer and owner of cogeneration and unregulated power plants, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Westmoreland Coal Co., a major low sulfur coal producer and marketer headquartered in Philadelphia, and serving customers worldwide with coal for electric power generation, steel

making and other industrial applications. In 1989 the company sold 19.6 million tons of coal and had total revenues of $600 million.

CONTACT: James P. Kelly of Hadson Power Systems, 714-863-7000; or Stephen N. Anderson of Westmoreland Coal Co., 215-545-2500

-30- 2259

#90292p7252 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PEORIA, ILL. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Japanese Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) has awarded Caterpillar's (NYSE: CAT) Challenger 65 tractor the 1990 Good Design Award in the industrial products category.

This is the first time in the 34-year history of the ministry program that the honor has been given to an agricultural or construction equipment product.

MITI holds primary responsibility for international trade policy in Japan, coordinating trade issues for the government.

Achievement of the honor allows the product to be marketed with the "G-Mark," which signifies the highest level of design superiority in the Japanese marketplace.

"We're honored that a key Japanese institution such as MITI has underscored our standing as a high-quality designer and provider of products," said Ked Murray, a managing director at Shin Caterpillar Mitsubishi Ltd. (SCM). SCM is Caterpillar's affiliated joint venture in Japan.

The Caterpillar 910E Wheel Loader and iT14B Integrated Toolcarrier received honorable mentions -- and also will be entitled to carry the "G-Mark."

CONTACT: Keith Butterfield of Caterpillar, 309-675-1307

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BETHPAGE, N.Y. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Grumman Corporation (NYSE: GQ) announced today that Grumman Data Systems Division will relocate its Washington, D.C., operations from McLean, Va., to Herndon, Va.

Grumman Data Systems has leased 100,000 square feet of office space near Dulles Airport from Dulles Corner Properties II, Limited Partnership, at 2411 Dulles Corner Park. Terms of the lease will not be disclosed.

The April 1991 move to larger quarters will allow Grumman to improve services to customers, most of whom are headquartered in metropolitan Washington.

Grumman Data Systems is an operating division of the $3.56 billion Grumman

Corporation. Grumman Data Systems provides design, development, integration, installation, maintenance and support capabilities for large-scale information systems used by the U.S. Department of Defense, NASA, other federal and state agencies, private industry, and Grumman Corporation.

CONTACT: Susan Vassallo of Grumman, 516-575-4938

-30- 1158

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FLINT, MICH. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Citizens Banking Corporation's (NASDAQ: CBCF) board of directors today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.30 per share of common stock to shareholders of record on Oct. 29, 1990, with a payment date of Nov. 14, 1990. As previously reported, net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $14,771,000, an increase of $889,000 or 6.4 percent over the $13,882,000 earned during the same period last year. On a per-share basis, net income was $2.21 per share in 1990 compared with $2.07 per share for 1989, an increase of 6.8 percent.

Citizens Banking Corporation in the eighth-largest bank holding company headquartered in Michigan and is the parent of Citizens Commercial & Savings Bank of Flint, Second National Bank of Saginaw, Second National Bank of Bay City, State Bank of Standish, Grayling State Bank, Century Life Insurance Company of Michigan, a credit life reinsurance company; Citizens Commercial Leasing Corporation, Grand Rapids, Mich.; and Commercial National Bank of Berwyn, Berwyn, Ill. The corporation's common stock is traded in the over-the-counter market (NASDAQ trading symbol: CBCF).

CONTACT: Wayne G. Schaeffer of Citizens Banking Corporation, 313-766-7978

-30- 1423

#90292p7272 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Contel Corp. (NYSE: CTC) today announced that it has signed a definitive agreement to sell its Contel Office Communications subsidiary to OPUS Telecom Corp.

Terms were not disclosed. Contel previously announced that it had engaged Atlanta-based Focus Associates Inc. to seek a buyer for Contel Office Communications, a subsidiary that serves more than 1,100 customers with more than 50,000 lines in 14 major metropolitan areas. Contel Office Communications is one of the leading providers of shared telecommunications services to tenants of high-rise office buildings and is a leading manager of customer-owned telecommunications systems.

OPUS Telecom Corp. is a privately held Atlanta-based firm that provides facilities management of telecommunications products and systems for medium and large business customers located primarily in the southeast United States.

The proposed sale is subject to review by state regulatory agencies and is expected to close by year-end 1990. No material effect on Contel's consolidated financial results is expected.

Contel, a company with more than $3 billion in annual revenues and sales, provides a broad range of telecommunications products and services.

CONTACT: Brian Farley of Contel, 404-391-8217, or Charles McNamee of OPUS Telecom, 404-859-9020

-30- 1494

#90292p7273 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Eaton Vance Corp. (NASAQ: EAVN), a Boston-based investment management firm, announced that its board of directors has authorized the purchase by the company of up to 300,000 shares of the company's non-voting common stock. This decision replaces an earlier authorization by buy 200,000 shares of which 130,000 have been purchased. The purchases may be privately negotiated or made in the open market, and the stock may be used for any corporate purpose, the company said.

The directors also declared a quarterly dividend of 14 cents per share on its common stock. The dividend, payable Nov. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 31, 1990, represents an increase over the dividend of 11 cents per share paid in each of the preceding four quarters.

Eaton Vance currently manages 28 investment companies and other accounts with total assets of approximately $7 billion. Eaton Vance stock is quoted on NASDAQ and is traded in the over-the-counter market. The stock is also listed on the Boston Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Curtis H. Jones of Eaton Vance, 617-482-8260

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FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - QSR Inc. (NASDAQ: QSRI), a Florida-based fast-service restaurant company, today reported that total sales for the three-month period ended Aug. 31, 1990, were $8,787,000 compared to $7,734,503 reported in the 16-week period ended Sept. 17, 1989.

The increase in sales was the result of new restaurant openings at substantially higher volume. A majority of these were conversions of the previous Taco Viva restaurants. The net loss for the period was $261,000, or 2 cents per share, compared to a loss of $540,000, or 10 cents per share, reported in the 16-week period ended Sept. 17, 1989.

Since joining the company as president and chief executive officer on Sept. 5, 1990, C. Ronald Petty has set in place a new organization which reflects the growth potential of the Miami Subs restaurant concept. Last month, QSR, Inc. announced that it would be merged with a subsidiary of Miami Subs Corporation, which controls the national franchising rights to the Miami Subs concept. The Miami Subs restaurant concept is now positioned to launch a national franchise program. Petty and his management team are very bullish on the growth potential of Miami Subs as it has a unique niche in the restaurant industry.

Petty attributed the first-quarter loss to start-up costs associated in setting up the new organization. During the first quarter, seven new restaurants were opened and it is expected that this rate of expansion will be accelerated throughout the balance of the fiscal year.

Petty also announced the signing of franchise agreements outside of Florida, which will begin the national expansion. The first of these restaurants are expected to open by the first quarter of calendar year 1991.

It was also announced that the company would now be reporting under a 12-month fiscal year as opposed to the 52/53-week schedule it had been reporting under in prior fiscal years.

QSR, INC.

Periods ended:	Three months 8/31/90	16 weeks 9/17/89
Systemwide sales	$8,787,000	$7,734,503
Sales from company-operated restaurants	441,000	4,592,000
Franchise revenues	97,000	10,000
Gain on sales of restaurant businesses	153,000	55,000
Other revenues - net	128,000	25,000
Total revenues	819,000	4,682,000
Net loss	(261,000)	(540,000)
Net loss per share	$(0.02)	$(0.10)
Weighted average shares	10,773,642	4,874,077

Additional Information:

-- The company recently changed its fiscal year such that it now reports on a 12-month fiscal year ending May 31, 1991. The company previously reported on a fiscal year consisting of 13 four-week periods. The first quarter of last fiscal year had four four-week periods for a total of 16 weeks.

-- Total system restaurant sales during the first quarter were $8,787,000 as compared to $7,734,503 for the first quarter last fiscal year. Total company restaurant sales during the first quarter amounted to $441,000, as compared to $4,592,000 in the first quarter of fiscal year 1990. The difference in sales was the result of selling 30 Taco Viva restaurants and the sale of company

restaurants to franchisees.

The increase in revenue from franchised restaurants and gain on sales of restaurant businesses reflect the changing nature of the company's business focus from a total company operation to one of being a franchiser.

CONTACT: C. Ronald Petty, president of QSR, 305-772-4224, or Mark Starr, 212-661-8030, or after 7 p.m., 516-783-4391, or Stephanie Rohlin- Mishra, 312-266-7800, both of the Financial Relations Board, for QSR

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - SFFed Corp. (NASDAQ: SFFD) today released the following financial highlights:

SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1990
(Unaudited)
(000s omitted)

	RATE (Percent)	TOTAL
INTEREST EARNING ASSETS:		
Investments	6.98	$136,128
Real estate loans receivable	10.50	2,732,237
Mortgage-backed securities	9.30	245,093
Consumer and other loans	12.06	158,802
Total	10.34	$3,272,260
INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES: Customer deposits:		
Regular passbooks	5.27	42,848
Money market passbooks	6.75	188,225
Demand deposits	6.05	398,248
Jumbo C.D.'s	8.32	363,523
Other C.D.'s	8.22	1,384,722
Wall Street C.D.'s	9.71	99,688
Total Deposits	7.78	2,477,254
Other	9.15	738,690
Impact of hedging activities	0	0
Total	8.09	$3,215,944
Interest bearing liabilities over (under) interest earning assets		$(56,316)

	Maturity/Rate Sensitivity			
	0-6 Months	7-12 Months	1-3 Years	Over 3 Years
INTEREST EARNING ASSETS:				
Investments	136,123	5	0	0
Real estate loans receivable	2,232,136	133,619	97,488	268,994
Mortgage-backed				

securities	227,750	772	2,818	13,753
Consumer and other loans	94,582	2,791	8,694	52,735
Total	2,690,591	137,187	109,000	335,482
INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES: Customer deposits:				
Regular passbooks	2,142	2,035	7,347	31,324
Money market passbooks	9,411	8,941	32,276	137,597
Demand deposits	398,248	0	0	0
Jumbo C.D.'s	214,644	127,451	14,406	7,022
Other C.D.'s	768,171	512,530	81,658	22,363
Wall Street C.D.'s	0	99,688	0	0
Total deposits	1,392,616	750,645	135,687	198,306
Other	417,887	143,874	42,642	134,287
Impact of hedging activities	100,000	0	0	(100,000)
Total	1,910,503	894,519	178,329	232,593
Interest bearing liabilities over (under) interest earning assets	(780,088)	757,332	69,329	(102,889)
Cumulative difference (gap)	(780,088)	(22,756)	46,573	(56,316)
Cumulative gap as a percentage of interest earning assets	(23.84)	(0.70)	1.42	(1.72)

	RATE (Percent)
Earning asset yield less interest bearing liability rate	2.25
Interest rate margin on earning assets	2.39
Interest rate margin on total assets	2.26

	Over 3 years
OTHER SELECTED DATA:	
Total assets	$3,449,366
Ratio of classified assets to total assets (percent)	1.71
Ratio of nonperforming assets to total assets (percent)	1.37

	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE
Loans originated	$ 59,720	702,838
Loans purchased	55	364
Loans sold	14,648	274,434
Mortgage-backed securities purchased	0	64
Mortgage-backed securities sold	0	19,089
Customer deposits, net increase (decrease)	(4,156)	(126,721)

CONTACT: Marilu Rumolo-Boucher of SFFed Corp., 415-955-3083

-30- 4623

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CHARLOTTE, NC (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - First Union Corporation has (NYSE: FTU) elected Dr. Ruth G. Shaw to its board of directors. Dr. Shaw is president of Charlotte's Central Piedmont Community College, the largest community college in North Carolina.

Shaw has served on the board of directors for First Union National Bank of North Carolina since January.

Shaw became president of CPCC in 1986, after serving as president of El Centro College in Dallas, Texas. She also served the Dallas County Community College District as associate vice chancellor of educational affairs, assistant to the chancellor and as vice president of instruction at Cedar Valley College. She was previously a faculty member at East Carolina University and Martin Community College in North Carolina.

Shaw earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from East Carolina University. She studied adult education in North Carolina State University's graduate program and earned a doctorate in higher education administration/community college leadership from the University of Texas at Austin, where she was a University Fellow. She is a Distinguished Graduate of the Texas program and was named one of the nation's top 50 community college leaders in 1988.

She is married to Colin Stuart Shaw, Dean of Planning at Rowan-Cabarrus Community College. She is the mother of Henry Fleming, a senior at the University of Texas-Austin, and John Shaw, age 8. The Shaws reside in Charlotte, North Carolina.

First Union Corporation had assets of $39.1 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990, and operated 764 banking offices in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, one banking office in Tennessee and 277 nonbanking offices in 36 states.

CONTACT: Sandy Deem of First Union Corporation, 704-374-2710, work, or 704-567-1176, home

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#90292p7280 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MI. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Comshare, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSRE), an international software company, reported record first-quarter revenue of $28.6 million, an increase of $6.5 million from the same period last year.

Net income per share for the quarter which ended Sept. 30, 1990, was 21 cents. Net income per share for the same period last year, adjusted to reflect a 2-for-1 stock split effective May 31, 1990, was 20 cents. Six cents of last year's 20 cents, however, reflect the expense recovery from the settlement of a property tax dispute.

"Software license and maintenance revenue for our decision support and executive information system products grew 49 percent in North America," said T. Wallace Wrathall, senior vice president and chief financial officer. "Internationally, Europe performed strongly, our international sales agents held steady and currency exchange rates were favorable, resulting in a 41-percent increase in our decision support and executive information system revenue."

Expenses were essentially unchanged from the fourth quarter when the sales, product development and customer support staffs were increased. The number of employees has risen by 139 from the first quarter of last year to a total of 1,003. "Even though we have not seen any recessionary effects on our business we will be cautious about future spending," said Wrathall. "We will continue to follow our practice of balancing short-term and long-term profitability goals."

During the quarter, Comshare acquired the sales agency agreement and hired the employees of 54 North, Ltd., a Wilmington, Del., company. The financial terms of the agreement were not disclosed. Since 1988, 54 North has been the North American sales agent for Comshare in the retailing vertical market. Among its products, Comshare develops retail industry specific software applications which are marketed under the trademark ARTHUR. ARTHUR applications, along with Comshare's cross industry System W Decision Support and Commander Executive Information System products, are marketed internationally to major retailers. "By integrating the 54 North staff into Comshare, we can apply their broad retail expertise to the development of products that retailers need in today's fast-paced, competitive world," said Wrathall.

Comshare develops and markets business management software and is a publicly traded company (NASDAQ: CSRE).

CONTACT: T. Wallace Wrathall, 313-994-4800, ext. 236, or Ricia Hughes, 313-994-4800, ext. 250, both of Comshare, Inc.

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#90292p7284 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUDSON, MA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Artel Communications Corporation (NASDAQ: AXXX) announced today its operating results for the third quarter ending Sept. 29, 1990. Sales for that quarter were $647,000 compared to $2,834,000 in the same period of the previous year. Net loss for the quarter was $969,000 or 26 cents per share compared to a $324,000 profit or 8 cents per share during the same period last year. The lower revenues during the quarter were due to continued market confusion over emerging standards, delays in major programs and longer sales cycles for new customers, particularly with some Operating Telephone companies. The company continues to invest in the development of its new product family.

Robert L. Bowman, Artel's President and CEO stated, "The company has spent the last two and one-half years designing and developing a revolutionary new product family addressing the local, metropolitan and wide area network markets. The first of the new products is scheduled for announcement before the end of the year. This new product family will be compliant with all existing standards and is so flexible as to be able to accommodate pending standards with the simple addition of a new board. Many existing and potential customers have indicated enthusiastic support for the new Artel products which are characterized by having ultra-high performance, flexibility and very low cost."

Bowman also said, "In the past, Artel has successfully demonstrated its ability to establish key strategic partnerships. The company has been on an aggressive program to launch its new product family with a variety of new strategic partners. Such potential partners include manufacturers, systems integrators, and distributors. At present, the company is in serious discussions with several potential partners."

Bowman added, "The company has a strong balance sheet with very little debt and a substantial cash position."

Total sales for the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990 were $4,717,000. During the first nine months of 1989, marketing and license revenues amounted to $2,800,000 with product sales of $6,060,000, or total revenues of $8,860,000. Net loss for the current nine month period was $1,121,000 or 30 cents per share compared to income of $1,154,000 or 29 cents per share for the same period of the previous year.

Artel Communications Corporation is a manufacturer of high-speed fiber optic communications systems. The 100 Mbps FiberWay(R) flagship networking product provides multi-service networking capabilities and has more than 1,500 systems installed worldwide. Artel's video/graphics products provide high quality signal transmission for video braodcasting conferencing, and imaging applications. The third quarter 1990 results are summarized below:

CONTACT: Robert L. Bowman, president and CEO of Artel Communications, 508-562-2100

-30- 3075

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - A. Drue Jennings, president and chief executive officer of Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCPL) (NYSE: KLT), today sent the following letter to the members of the board of directors of Kansas Gas and Electric Company (KG&E) (NYSE: KGE):

"On September 11, 1990, Wilson Cadman wrote to advise me that you were negotiating with a third party to sell KG&E. He said you had authorized

management to provide KCPL with non-public information about KG&E which 'would be that provided by KG&E to other third parties who have expressed an interest in exploring certain combinations with KG&E or a purchase of KG&E assets.'

"The purpose of giving KCPL this information was supposed to be to encourage us to raise our $27 bid. Since September 11, we have been afforded only one meeting with KG&E personnel. That meeting on October 9 lasted for barely an hour. Your management refused to answer a great number of our questions and limited severely the information provided to us. In short, the meeting was a charade.

"Since that meeting we have been trying to get the information we need to recommend a higher bid to our board. We have been completely stonewalled by your management.

"This week, we were advised by your investment banker that we would shortly be asked to put our "best bid" on the table. We told your banker, once again, that we can hardly be expected to recommend a higher bid to our board when our requests for due diligence are being stonewalled.

"While your banker agreed our requests were reasonable, he had been unable to assure us that a meeting would be arranged until today. We still have no assurance we will be given all the information we need. The format that has been suggested for the meeting appears to promise nothing more than a repetition of the charade of the October 9 meeting.

"There can be no question that we have been treated as a disfavored bidder and every effort has been made by your management to discourage us from being able to raise our bid.

"When this kind of egregious misconduct has happened in other situations, courts have not hesitated to hold directors liable for breaches of their fiduciary duties. In the Revlon case, the Delaware Supreme Court held that directors breached their duties because:

"'After the directors authorized management to negotiate with other parties, Forstmann was given every negotiating advantage that Pantry Pride had been denied: cooperation from management, access to financial data, and the exclusive opportunity to present merger proposals directly to the board of directors...Market forces must be allowed to operate freely to bring the target's shareholders the best price available for their equity.'"

CONTACT: J. Turner White of Kansas City Power & Light, (816) 556-2997, or Joele Frank of Adams & Rinehart, (212) 557-0100, for Kansas City Power & Light.

-30- 3134

#90292p7289 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Occidental Berau of Indonesia, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Occidental Petroleum Corporation, (NYSE: OXY) and its partners, Nippon Oil Exploration (Berau) Ltd. and Sun Oil Berau Indonesia, Ltd., announced today that exploratory well Roabibe-1 was successfully tested at a maximum sustained flow rate of 23.6 million cubic feet of natural gas per day on a 5/8 inch choke.

The discovery well, located in the shallow waters of Berau Bay, Irian Jaya, is approximately 1,800 miles east of Jakarta.

Occidental acquired the Berau Block, covering 4.2 million acres, in 1987 and prior to the discovery, drilled two exploratory wells and acquired 7,900 miles of new seismic data.

Occidental, with a 40 percent interest, is the operator for the joint venture, Nippon and Sun each have a 30 percent interest.

CONTACT: Frank Ashley of Occidental Petroleum, 213-443-6592

-30- 1091

#90292p7290 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Comcast International L.P., an affiliate of Comcast Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: CMCSA), announced today that it has postponed the offering of its units of limited partnership interest as a result of current market conditions.

Comcast International was formed to acquire interest in, develop, manage and operate, through an acquisition partnership, cable television systems, telecommunications systems, programming ventures and related businesses located primarily outside of the United States.

Comcast Corp. is principally engaged in the development and operation of cable communications sytems. The company's consolidated and affiliated operations served more than 2.4 million subscribers at June 30, 1990. This included 784,000 subscribers associated with systems owned by Storer Communications Inc. for which Comcast provides consulting services. In addition, the company provides cellular telephone communications and sound communications services. The Class A and Class A Special common stock are traded in the over-the-counter market and are reported in the National Market List under the NASDAQ symbols CMCSA and CMCSK respectively.

CONTACT: John R. Alchin, 215-981-7503 or Marolyn L. Bailey, 215-981-7550, both of Comcast

-30- 1448

#90292p7291 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Mattel Inc. (NYSE: MAT) today announced that Robert Sansone has chosen to relinquish his position as president of Mattel USA in order to become a senior advisor to John W. Amerman, Mattel's chairman and chief executive officer. Sansone, who joined Mattel in 1987 after 24 years with General Foods, will be succeeded by two executives who will report to Amerman.

Jill Elikann Barad has been promoted to president-Mattel USA, responsible for Barbie and other fashion dolls, large dolls and activity toys, Barbie Lifestyle and licensed product, plush toys, and for marketing services and entertainment. Under Barad's direction, U.S. Barbie doll sales have increased at an annual compounded growth rate in excess of 30 percent for the past three years. In addition, she directed the launch of Mattel's highly successful Li'l Miss and P.J. Sparkles dolls, as well as Magic Nursery, which retailers are citing as the best-selling new toy line of the 1990 season.

David M. Mauer will join Mattel as president-Mattel USA, responsible for Mattel's Disney Infant and Preschool toys, the Hot Wheels line of vehicles and playsets, male action toys, and games, as well as systems and planning. Formerly president of the U.S. Toy Group of Tonka Corp., Mauer was involved in the success of products such as the Ghostbusters, Batman and M.A.S.K. action figure lines, as well as core Play-Doh, Easy Bake, Spirograph and Tonka truck products.

Mattel Inc., which reported revenues of $1.2 billion in 1989, is a worldwide leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of children's toys. With headquarters in Hawthorne, Calif., Mattel has offices and facilities in more than 20 foreign countries and sells its products in more than 100 nations throughout the world.

CONTACT: Glenn Bozarth of Mattel Inc., 213-978-6386

-30- 2050

#90292p7296 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

RAHWAY, N.J. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Merck & Co., Inc. (NYSE: MRK), the world's largest pharmaceutical firm, received top honors for its commitment to the environment during statewide award ceremonies recognizing 20 companies for corporate philanthropy.

The 1990 Corporate Philanthropy Awards, a program administered by the Community Foundation of New Jersey, recognized companies for their philanthropic roles in protecting the environment, in education, in the arts, and in health and social welfare.

Merck, which recently adopted a policy that places environmental protection among its highest business priorities, received top honors in the environment category. The company's concern for preserving the natural environment is

evident in the construction of its new corporate headquarters in Whitehouse Station in Readington Township in N.J.

Preserving the natural beauty of the 459-acre site was among Merck's top priorities in constructing its 900,000-square-foot office facility. "We decided to construct our headquarters in Whitehouse Station in Readington Township using a scalpel rather than a bulldozer," said Patrick J. Colletti, director of the Readington Project, who accepted the award on behalf of the company.

Trees and shrubs that were in the path of construction were transplanted, and roads were rerouted to save trees and plant and animal life. All construction workers on the site are required to view a video on Merck's mandatory environmental procedures.

In addition, Merck has donated $50,000 to the Hunterdon Heritage Conservancy toward the purchase of a landmark Hunterdon County farm. Plans for the farm include the creation of an environmental education center and a farmer's market to serve as an outlet for local agricultural products.

Merck will donate the $4,000 top prize to the Trust for Public Land (TPL), a national nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving urban and rural land for public use. TPL recently opened a New Jersey Field Office in the Morristown area to expand the national park and wildlife refuge system within the state.

Merck & Co., Inc., is a worldwide, research-intensive health products company that discovers, develops, produces and markets human and animal health products and specialty chemicals. The company has more than 34,500 employees 17 research centers, manufacturing facilities in 18 countries, and a 1990 research and development budget of $855 million.

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ANDOVER, MASS. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Andover Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: ANDB) announced that it voted to eliminate the quarterly cash dividend.

Robert H. Henderson, chairman of the board and CEO, stated that "Although Andover Bancorp and its subsidiary Andover Bank continue to have capital ratios that are well in excess of all current and proposed regulatory requirements, it was decided to eliminate the dividend so as to preserve our capital base during these economically troubled times."

The Bancorp also expects to report a loss for the third quarter as well as for year-to-date 1990. Henderson further stated, "Without question, the New England banking industry is experiencing difficult times and this is requiring us to take special actions. After careful consideration in balancing the impact on our shareholders, and the need to preserve capital, the elimination of the dividend was deemed to be appropriate at this time. We believe we are taking the right steps to move forward and to meet the economic challenges facing us."

Andover Bancorp, Inc. is the parent bank holding company of Andover Bank. Andover Bank is a Massachusetts chartered savings bank organized in 1834 and headquartered in Andover, Massachusetts, approximately 25 miles north of downtown Boston. The bank operates branch banking offices in West Andover, Lawrence, Methuen, North Andover and Tewksbury, Mass.

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#90292p7299 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHEELING, WV (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp. (NYSE: QWHX) reported third quarter 1990 net income of $24,496,000 on shipments of steel products totaling 572,461 tons, the company said today.

Third quarter 1989 net income totaled $46,538,000 on shipments of steel products totaling 592,550 tons. The 1990 third quarter results reflect higher labor costs related to the new collective bargaining agreement ratified by the United Steelworkers of America (USW) on Sept. 11, including $22,254,000 attributable to a $3,000 signing bonus per employee and $12,280,000 applicable to new wage rates retroactive to July 1, 1990, and certain employee benefit improvements (see Note 3 to the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income). In addition, the 1990 third quarter results were favorably affected by $10,874,000 due to a reduction in the corporation's estimated annual effective income tax rate. Excluding the effect of the signing bonus and the other non-recurring labor costs, 1990 third quarter operating income would have been $26,444,000 vs. $36,265,000 as reported for the comparable period of the prior year.

Third quarter 1990 net sales decreased 3.7 percent to $286,585,000 compared to net sales of $297,651,000 in the third quarter of the prior year. The decrease reflects a 3.4 percent decrease in tons shipped and a 2.5 percent decrease in prices for steel products, partially offset by a higher-priced product mix.

Operating costs increased 9.9 percent over the third quarter of the prior year due to the signing bonus and increased labor costs partially offset by the lower volume of shipments. Raw steel production decreased 2.6 percent compared to the 1989 third quarter.

Third quarter 1990 and 1989 results include other income, primarily interest income on short term investments, totaling $15,419,000 and $14,767,000, repectively.

Nine months 1990 net income totaled $98,587,000 on shipments of steel products of 1,656,587 tons. This compares to nine months 1989 net income of $149,845,000 on shipments of steel products of 1,765,874 tons. The $51,258,000 decrease in net income reflects the signing bonus, higher labor costs, lower shipping volume and reduced selling prices.

Nine months 1990 net sales decreased 6.3 percent to $830,506,000 from $886,293,000 in the prior period due to the decrease in tons shipped and reduced selling prices partially offset by a higher-priced product mix.

In reviewing these financial results, it should be noted that under bankruptcy law protection the corporation is not required to pay interest on most of its debt (see Note 1 to the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income) and it is not bearing the entire cost of its terminated pension plans. Also the corporation's results have benefited from large extraordinary tax credits and interest income on investment of a substantial cash balance, most of which is expected to be distributed after a reorganization plan becomes effective.

The order book remained strong as of the end of the third quarter indicating similar production and shipping levels for the final quarter of the year.

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#90292p7306 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON, (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank of New England Corporation (NYSE: NEB) today reported a third quarter loss of $123.2 million, or $1.78 per share, due largely to a decision to take a $100 million provision for possible credit losses -- which includes a one-time $70 million supplemental provision -- in the face of continued uncertainty in the New England economy.

Despite the loss, BNEC Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Lawrence K. Fish said, "there were a number of positive events in the quarter which reflect the continued progress we are making in our strategic recovery."

Fish said: -- Nonperforming loans decreased $93 million for the quarter, the second straight quarter they have decreased.

-- Costs continued to come down from the $90 million-a-month operating level in January to $71 million a month at the end of September. By Sept. 30, the company's work force had been reduced to 12,500 from over 17,500 in January.

It is expected that already- scheduled business sales and reorganizations, coupled with attrition, will allow the company to achieve its goal of reducing staff levels by 6,000 employees by the first quarter of 1991.

-- The company continued to lend approximately $1 billion daily to the Fed funds system during the quarter.

-- In the fourth quarter, BNEC expects to complete the sale of BNE-Old Colony, the company's Rhode Island subsidiary, and expects to complete the merger of BNE-West and BNE, N.A. into one Massachusetts entity. The company's downsizing is now largely complete.

-- In the first two weeks since it unveiled SNAPP -- its "Simple New APProach to banking" -- aimed at stretching its consumer position in Connecticut and Massachusetts, 14,000 SNAPP accounts have been opened, representing a significant increase in core deposit account activity.

-- The company completed steps aimed at strengthening its credit policies and administration.

Bank of New England Corporation is a Boston-based interstate bank holding company with assets of $23 billion and banking offices in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Its common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and is traded under the symbol NEB.

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#90292p7309 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAKHURST, CA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Sierra On-Line (NASDAQ: SIER) announced today that a review of preliminary financial data for the quarter ending Sept. 30 supports Sierra's estimate that earnings per share for the quarter will likely approximate earnings posted for the same quarter in 1989 in spite of a delay in releasing three adventure game products which had been scheduled to ship in September.

Sierra's vice president of finance and chief financial officer, Bruce Grant, cautioned that the preliminary data must still be reviewed by Sierra's auditors.

In a press release issued earlier this month, the company announced its intent to repurchase up to 300,000 shares of its common stock subject to market conditions. Based on the preliminary financial review just completed, the company may continue to repurchase its stock under the terms previously announced.

Sierra On-Line develops and publishes premium-priced interactive animated adventure software for the high-end of the consumer market. The company's products feature high-quality graphics, music and sound effects and are designed primarily for IBM PCs, IBM PC compatibles and computers manufactured by Apple Computer Inc.

CONTACT: Bruce Grant, VP-Finance and CFO of Sierra, 209-683-4468

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ST. PETERSBURG, FL. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Global Governments Income Trust (NYSE: TGG) today announced a monthly dividend from net investment income of $0.075 per share payable Nov. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 31, 1990.

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#90292p7315 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Oppenheimer Capital, L.P. (NYSE: OCC), today declared a distribution of $.425 per unit payable Nov. 30, 1990 to holders of units of limited partnership interest at the close of business Oct. 31, 1990. This distribution represents available cash flow of the partnership for the period from Aug. 1, 1990 through and including Oct. 31, 1990.

Oppenheimer Capital, L.P. owns a 32.8 percent general partnership interest in Oppenheimer Capital (the "operating partnership"), one of the leading independent investment management firms in the United States with total assets under management at Sept. 30, 1990 of $19.1 billion.

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#90292p7317 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PINEHURST, NC (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - NASCAR driver Darrell Waltrip and Western Auto Supply Company have signed a three-year agreement for the sponsorship of Waltrip's racing team and car. The associate sponsor will be the AC Delco Division of General Motors.

The racing team will feature Waltrip at the wheel of the Western Auto/AC Delco Lumina No. 17. Joining Waltrip will be his entire racing team and Jeff Hammond crew chief for the past nine years.

"With the help of Western Auto and AC Delco, we'll be on the inside track heading for the Winston Cup championship next year," Waltrip told a crowd of several hundred attending the Western Auto national marketing and operations meeting here. Also present at the announcement were officials of AC Delco and NASCAR. The announcement preceded the start of this year's AC Delco 500 race in nearby Rockingham on Sunday, Oct. 21.

In announcing the partnership, Western Auto President John Barlow told the audience, "It's a great pleasure to have you (Waltrip) and this exceptionally talented race team as part of the Western Auto organization. Together, we will make this the most successful racing and marketing program in history."

Following the announcement, the new Western Auto/AC Delco Lumina was unveiled to the audience and news media. The car features a trademarked design incorporating several unique design elements.

Waltrip, who has won 79 races and three Winston Cup championships in his career said, "I never thought we could top the Tide ride for uniqueness in a car design, but this car does it. This will be the most spectacular car on the track!

"I have said before that I would like to win 100 races in my career, and with Western Auto and AC Delco behind us, I know we can make it happen," Waltrip said.

Western Auto, the "official auto parts and service store of NASCAR," is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S). The retailer provides automotive products and services for auto enthusiasts and do-it-yourselfers nationwide through more than 1,400 Western Auto stores.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Canal Capital Corporation (NYSE: COW) announced today that as a result of a strong performance by its arts operations in the current fiscal quarter, the company anticipates that its results for the fiscal year ending Oct. 31, 1990, will be significantly improved over the results reported through the quarter ended July 31, 1990, for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Raymond French, chairman of the board and CEO of Canal, said he was encouraged by the fourth quarter results from its arts operations and looks forward to continued growth in this area.

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#90292p7320 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

STURBRIDGE, MA. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - SpecTran Corporation (NASDAQ: SPTR) today reported a continuation of profitable results for its third quarter and nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990. It also announced that the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit has dismissed all appeals of the District Court's judgment approving the settlement of the class action suit that had been filed against various defendants, including the company in October 1986. The settlement is now final.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 increased 47.4 percent to $2,950,238 compared with revenues of $2,002,006 for the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the 1990 third quarter of $304,969, or $.07 per share, compared with a net loss of $58,942 ($.01 per share) for the same period in 1989.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 increased 30.8 percent to $7,199,826 compared with revenues of $5,503,300 for the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the 1990 nine month period of $459,599, or $.10 per share, compared with a net loss of $439,246 ($.10 per share) for the same period last year.

Commenting on the results, SpecTran's president and chief executive officer, Raymond E. Jaeger said, "The company has now sustained profitable results for four consecutive quarters. The net income of $304,969 earned during the 1990 third quarter was the highest of the four quarters, and enabled the company to return to positive cash flow from operations for the first nine months of 1990 despite the payment during that period of approximately $456,000 for settlement costs and legal expenses incurred in connection with company's class action litigation. The recently announced conclusion to the class action litigation and the million dollar order, approximately half of which will be shipped in this year's fourth quarter, strongly position the company to achieve its stated goals of positive cash flow from operations for the entire year, increasing revenues over the prior year and a return to annual profitability."

SpecTran Corporation develops, manufactures and markets glass optical fibers.

SPECTRAN CORPORATION

Period ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$2,950,238	$2,002,006	$7,199,826	$5,503,300
Net income (loss)	304,969	(58,942)	459,599	(439,246)
Avg. shrs. outstg.	4,647,656	4,595,026	4,646,253	4,594,109
Net income (loss) per share	.07	(.01)	.10	(.10)

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BRISTOL, VA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Charter Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: CHFD) today announced a net loss for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended September 30, 1990 of $955,000 or $.26 per share on 3,656,297 average shares outstanding as compared with a net loss of $1.2 million or $.33 per share on 3,656,297 average shares outstanding for the quarter ended June 30, 1990. The net loss for the first quarter ending September 30, 1989 was $2.0 million or $.53 per share on 3,656,297 average shares outstanding.

The loss for the September 30, 1990 quarter was attributed to (1) an approximately $230,000 loss incurred in the marking to market of certain investment assets on the books of the Savings Bank, as required by generally accepted accounting principles, and (2) other operational losses. "We are most gratified to report, however, that our continuing efforts to reduce expenses under our cost containment program have caused our operating losses to be less in the most recent quarter than in prior quarters, and we anticipate additional improvements in future quarters," said E.L. Byington, Jr., Chairman and CEO.

Assets at September 30, 1990 totaled approximately $903 million, a $15 million decline from June 30, 1990, pursuant to provisions of the Savings Bank's Business Plan. Stockholders' equity was at September 30, 1990 $28.6 million, down from $31.3 million at June 30, 1990. The decline in stockholders' equity was due to the loss for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 and to the additional approximately $900,000 loss from the embezzlement scheme originally reported in a July 10, 1990 release, which was subsequently updated on October 2, 1990. Financial statements for prior years during which the embezzlement scheme took place are re-stated in keeping with the requirements of generally accepted accounting principles. Only approximately $24,000 of the $900,000 was attributed to the quarter ending September 30, 1990. "Our investigation of the scheme is complete, and no significant additional losses therefrom are expected," said Byington. "The Board of Directors and management continue to believe that fidelity bond insurance maintained by Charter Federal should rightly compensate it for the loss, and we are pursuing all avenues to full recovery."

Charter Federal is continuing to follow the Business Plan filed with the Office of Thrift Supervision in March 1990, although the Plan has not yet been acted on by the regulators. The Savings Bank does not presently meet the three new capital standards established by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act which became law in August 1989. The Business Plan provides for full compliance with all capital standards by December 31, 1992.

Charter Federal which began operation in 1920, is a federally-chartered stock Savings Bank headquartered in Bristol, Virginia with 34 branch offices throughout Southwest and Southside Virginia and East Tennessee.

CHARTER FEEDERAL SAVINGS BANK
AND SUBSIDIARIES
SELECTED QUARTERLY DATA (UNAUDITED)
Dollars in Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts

	Three Months Ended September 30, 1990	
	1990	1989
Net Interest Income	$2,951	$2,602
Net Gain (Loss) on sale of GNMA, GHLMC, and other loans		306
Other Income	856	1,208
Other expense	4,762	6,069
Net Income (Loss)	$(955)	$(1,953)
Net Income (Loss) Per Share	$(0.26)	$(0.53)
Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding	3,656,297	3,656,297

CHARTER FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK
AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
(Dollars in Thousands)
(UNAUDITED)

	September 30, 1990	September 30, 1989
ASSETS		
Cash:		
Interest bearing	$10,103	$13,521
Noninterest bearing	13,063	10,494
Federal funds sold	9,850	18,655
Investment securities	103,551	105,341
Investment in joint venture	2,975	2,397
Loans receivable, net and mortgage-backed certificates	665,857	807,678
Direct finance leases	23,255	--
Office properties and equipment, net	7,174	8,186
Real estate owned, net	5,352	8,899
Cost in excess of fair value of net assets acquired	47,595	50,217
Prepaid and other assets	14,364	11,134
Total Assets	$ 903,139	$1,036,522

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Liabilities:		
Savings deposits	$ 648,510	$ 784,532
Short-term borrowings	98,027	116,777
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	2,009	3,000
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	5,634	5,633
Checks outstanding on disbursement account	3,372	6,467
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank and other borrowings	117,000	85,000
Total liabilities	$ 874,552	$1,001,409
Stockholders Equity:		
Preferred stock	$ --	$ --
Commmon stock	37	37
Additional paid-in capital	9,475	9,475
Retained earnings	24,578	30,318
Net unrealized loss on marketable equity securities	(5,453)	(4,667)
	$ 28,637	$ 35,163
Less cost of treasury stock	50	50
Total Stockholders' Equity	$ 28,587	$ 35,113
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	$ 903,139	$1,036,522

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Equitable Resources Inc. (NYSE: EQT) voted today to increase the cash dividend on the company's common stock 5.97 percent to a quarterly rate of 35.5 cents a share from the former rate of 33.5 cents a share, it was announced.

The first payment at the new higher rate will be made on Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 9, 1990.

Equitable Resources is a Pittsburgh-based diversified energy company. Its energy resource segment is a major energy producer in the Appalachian area and also develops and produces oil in the Rocky Mountain region. The utility service segment operates transmission, gas storage and distribution facilities in parts of Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Kentucky.

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#90292p7338 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - An estimated 1,920 Louisiana families with low-to-moderate incomes, most buying homes for the first time, will have access to affordable, reduced-rate mortgages through a cooperative housing finance initiative between the state of Louisiana and the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM).

The program involves Fannie Mae's purchase of $96 million in single-family home mortgage revenue bonds issued by the Louisiana Housing Finance Agency (LHFA). The purchase will provide home buyers with 8.45 percent mortgage rates on fixed-rate FHA/VA home loans.

Fannie Mae's negotiated purchase of the bonds enables LHFA to lower its borrowing costs, and pass the savings on to low- and moderate-income home buyers in the form of lower-rate mortgage funds.

The initiative includes $10 million reserved for the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) to help finance the sale of RTC-owned homes to low-and moderate-income families.

Allison Kendrick, LHFA president, said: "The state of Louisiana is very pleased to continue its relationship with Fannie Mae. The 1990 single family mortgage revenue bond program will provide a great opportunity to many first-time home buyers, as well as help strengthen the real estate market through the financing program created for the RTC."

Judy Dedmon, senior vice president in charge of Fannie Mae's Dallas-based ten-state southwestern region, said: "We are pleased to announce a program that will facilitate the sale of RTC-owned homes across the state. This is our second initiative in Louisiana in the last year, and will provide almost $200 million in lower interest rate mortgages to help finance homes for nearly 4,000 modest-income families."

Home buyers' eligibility for participation in the home finance program will depend upon home prices and family incomes; limits on both will vary by location. Interested home buyers should contact the LHFA to determine specific eligibility requirements and participating mortgage lenders throughout the state.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company, and is the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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PALISADES PARK, NJ (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Metrobank Financial Group Inc. (NASDAQ: MFGR), the parent company of Metrobank For Savings, FSB (the "bank"), today announced a net loss of $5,662,000, or $3.06 per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $7,370,000, or $3.98 per share.

The loss for the third quarter of 1990 was primarily due to a provision for losses of $4.6 million, before taxes, in the bank's loan portfolio, real estate acquired in settlement of loans and real estate join ventures. Of the $4.6 million, Metrobank provided $3.9 million for general and specific loan losses. The provision for losses reflects the results of a recently completed regular field examination by the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS).

At Sept. 30, 1990, non-performing assets, including those classified as real estate acquired in settlement of loans and before loss allowances, increased to $85.7 million. The bank had established $27.2 million in allowances for losses on loans and foreclosed real estate at Sept. 30, 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, applicable regulations of the OTS require the bank to have tangible capital, core capital and risk-based capital of 1.5 percent, 3.0 percent and 6.4 percent of assets, respectively. At Sept. 30, 1990, Metrobank's tangible capital, core capital and risk- based capital were 1.52 percent, 1.52 percent and 3.09 percent of assets, respectively.

As a result of the bank not meeting its core and risk-based capital requirements, it may be subject to supervisory and enforcement action that may have an adverse impact on the bank and the company's stockholders.

In accordance with OTS regulations, the bank filed a regulatory capital restoration plan with the OTS in July 1990, setting forth the bank's anticipated plans for achieving full regulatory capital compliance. As a result of the increases in the loan loss reserves noted above and the losses from operations, however, the bank withdrew the capital plan and anticipates submitting an amended capital plan, which will be subject to approval or rejection at the discretion of the OTS.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $503.3 million. The book value of Metrobank Financial Group, Inc. common stock was $3.96 per share, based upon 1.85 million shares outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990.

Metrobank For Savings, FSB is an FDIC-insured institution headquartered in Palisades Park and maintains branch offices in Fort Lee, Cliffside Park and Bayonne, N.J.

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BEAVERTON, OR (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Mentor Graphics Corp. (NASDAQ: MENT) announced today that Hewlett-Packard Co. (HP) has signed a multi-year, multi-million dollar contract to purchase electronic design automation (EDA) software and services. According to Mentor Graphics, the agreement sets an EDA record for a single contract.

The contract includes the purchase of a broad range of products such as the Falcon Framework for Concurrent Design, schematic capture, simulation, integrated circuit layout, printed circuit board layout, and thermal analysis. Services to be provided by Mentor Graphics may include design process consulting, OpenDoor Program services, training, support and database translators. A number of Mentor Graphics products are currently being delivered under the agreement.

HP will use the Mentor Graphics products in its engineering organizations for new product development in many areas including workstations, personal computers, printers, plotters, disk drives, integrated circuit technology and medical products. HP will use the Falcon Framework to integrate the Mentor Graphics software with a wide variety of internally developed and third-party tools within HP.

"One of the primary reasons we chose Mentor Graphics is their strong support for standards efforts such as the Open Software Foundation (OSF) and the CAD Framework Initiative (CFI)," stated Dean O. Morton, HP executive vice president and chief operating officer.

"Mentor Graphics' new Falcon Framework provides an open architecture which supports its full set of EDA applications and allows integration of other EDA tools in use within HP. We expect the Falcon Framework capabilities to add momentum to HP's continuing efforts to streamline our internal design and manufacturing processes," concluded Morton.

Mentor Graphics and HP have stated their support for the OSF goal of defining an industry-standard computing environment. Mentor Graphics' Software Release 8.0 features an OSF/Motif-based user interface and distributed computing functionality. Both are among the standards supported by HP's workstation products. The shared philosophy of open systems computing and open design environments was a contributing factor in the sale, according to both companies.

"We have developed a very strong relationship with HP," stated Thomas Bruggere chairman and chief executive officer of Mentor Graphics. "This order not only reflects the quality of our EDA tools, but also a strong commitment by both companies to industry standards development such as OSF and CFI. We have

always had confidence that HP will continue providing industry-leading products with excellent reliability. We look forward to the contribution our open framework and EDA tools will make to the development of new products from HP."

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 contries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

Mentor Graphics Corp., Beaverton, Ore. was established in 1981 to design, manufacture, market and service EDA systems. The company is the leader in worldwide EDA sales, with revenues of $433,781,000 over the last 12 months. The company currently employs more than 2,600 people. In addition to its corporate offices in Beaverton, Mentor Graphics has sales and support offices in 66 locations worldwide. The company's headquarters are located at 8500 SW Creekside Place, Beaverton, Ore., 97005.

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Both are among the standards supported by HP's workstation products. The shared philosophy of open systems computing and open design environments was a contributing factor in the sale, according to both companies.

"We have developed a very strong relationship with HP," stated Thomas Bruggere chairman and chief executive officer of Mentor Graphics. "This order not only reflects the quality of our EDA tools, but also a strong commitment by both companies to industry standards development such as OSF and CFI.

We have always had confidence that HP will continue providing industry-leading products with excellent reliability. We look forward to the contribution our open framework and EDA tools will make to the development of new products from HP."

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MINNETONKA, MN (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Tonka Corporation (NYSE: TKA) announced today that Bruce Stein, vice president of marketing and design at the company's Kenner Division, has been named president of Kenner and a vice president of the corporation.

"Since joining our company in 1987, Bruce has been a major contributor to the numerous product successes that have been vital to Kenner's growth, and he is well suited to lead the future growth of the Kenner business," stated Stephen G. Shank, Tonka's chairman and CEO.

Stein's election to the corporate post and the Kenner presidency took place at the September meeting of the company's board of directors. The company also announced that all division presidents will report to Shank following the resignation of David M. Mauer as executive vice president and president of the U.S. Toy Group.

Tonka Corporation, headquartered in Minnetonka, Minn., is the nation's third largest toy company. The company's operating divisions include Kenner Products based in Cincinnati, Ohio; Parker Brothers, based in Beverly, Mass.; and Tonka Products and Tonka International, based in Minnetonka.

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SUNNYVALE, Calif. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Nanometrics Inc. (NASDAQ: NANO) today reported revenues and operating results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter were $5.5 million, an increase of 2 percent compared with $5.4 million for the like quarter of 1989. The company reported an operating loss of $111,000 and net income of $91,000 or $.01 per share. This compares with an operating income of $135,000 and net income of $130,000, or $.02 per share in the third quarter a year ago.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $14.1 million representing a 14 percent decrease from $16.4 million for the comparable prior year period. An operating loss of $1,087,000 and net losses of $638,000 or $.09 per share for the current nine month period compared with an operating income of $55,000 and net income of $620,000 or $.08 per share for the like period last year.

The company's order backlog on Sept. 30, 1990 was approximately $3.1 million.

Nanometrics' principal products are optical and scanning electron microscope-based measurement and inspection stations utilized in the manufacture of semiconductor circuits.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE) today reported common stock earnings of $98,653,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, equivalent to $1.19 per common share.

This compares with earnings of $109,409,000, equivalent to $1.37 per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30 1990, earnings on common stock were $153,512,000, equivalent to $1.87 per share. This compares with $208,649,000, or $2.61 per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, earnings on common stock were $188,773,000, equivalent to $2.31 per share. This compares with $245,013,000, or $3.07 per share, for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

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SALISBURY, MD (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Second National Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: SNFS), which added $16.6 million to specific and general loan reserves in mid-September, reported a resulting quarterly loss of $11.2 million or $1.57 per share, compared with net income of $2.5 million, or 34 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Second National reported a loss of $6.8 million, or $1.07 per share, on an unaudited basis, compared with earnings of $7.1 million, or 97 cents per share, a year earlier. Without the one-time addition to reserves, the company earned $6.4 million, or 73 cents per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and $2 million, or 22 cents per share, for the third quarter.

The company meets all current regulatory requirements for tangible, core and risk-based capital. After accounting for the additions to reserves, the book value of Second National's common stock is $5.74 per share.

"We were aware that the one-time increase to loan loss reserves announced on Sept. 21, 1990, would have a dramatic impact on this year's earnings, but it was a step which had to be taken in light of the deteriorating real estate economy in this region," stated Henry A. Berliner Jr., president and chief executive officer.

"The company's capital position remains strong, currently meeting the core and risk-based requirements, and exceeding the regulatory requirement of tangible capital by over $25 million. The meeting of all three capital requirements demonstrates the long-term viability of Second National. We will continue to fund our profitable residential mortgage portfolio, which has traditionally been, and will continue to be, the core of our business."

A significant portion of Second National's residential lending has been represented by the resort markets on the Maryland and Delaware coastlines, and it was recently reported that Second National's share of the Ocean City, Md., market had increased to 30 percent, making Second National the dominant lender

in that market.

"In 1985, the state-chartered insurance system failed, creating a crisis within Maryland state-insured thrifts. Our company not only survived the crisis, but benefited from the sharp reduction in the number of banking competitors. We anticipate a similar reduction in competition in our market area during the first part of this decade, and as occurred five years ago, we expect to remain one of the strong survivors," said Berliner.

Second National is a $1.8 billion financial institution with 40 branch offices in Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 52.5 cents per share on the common stock and quarterly dividends at the specified rates for all outstanding preferred and preference stocks.

All are payable Jan. 2, 1991, to holders of record at the close of business on Dec. 10, 1990.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - An estimated 832 Florida families with low-to-moderate incomes, most buying homes for the first time, will have access to affordable, reduced-rate mortgages through a cooperative housing finance initiative between the state of Florida and the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM).

The program involves Fannie Mae's purchase of $41.6 million in single-family home mortgage revenue bonds issued by the Florida Housing Finance Agency (FHFA). The purchase will provide home buyers with 8.50 percent mortgage rates on fixed-rate FHA/VA home loans.

Fannie Mae's negotiated purchase of the bonds enables FHFA to lower its borrowing costs, and pass the savings on to low- and moderate-income home buyers in the form of lower-rate mortgage funds.

The initiative includes $7 million reserved for the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) to help finance the sale of RTC-owned homes to low- and moderate-income families.

Glenn Austin, senior vice president in charge of Fannie Mae's Atlanta-based 12-state southeastern region, said: "We are pleased to announce a program that will facilitate the sale of RTC-owned homes throughout Florida. Working together, the state of Florida and Fannie Mae will help hundreds of moderate-income families attain homeownership."

Mark Hendrickson, executive director of FHFA, said: "The Florida HFA is again pleased to work in cooperation with Fannie Mae. By arranging for the private placement of bonds, significant bond underwriting costs are avoided. This allows the loans to be more affordable to low-income borrowers."

Home buyers' eligibility for participation in the home finance program will depend upon home prices and family incomes; limits on both will vary by location. Interested home buyers should contact the FHFA to determine specific eligibility requirements and participating mortgage lenders throughout the state.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company, and is the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - ExecuFirst Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: FXBC) parent company of First Executive Bank, today reported a third quarter operating loss of $1,399,187 or $1.14 per share, compared to a loss of $87,118 or $.07 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, ExecuFirst reported a net loss of $1,373,563 or $1.12 per share. The company attributed the loss in 1990 to a substantial increase of $1,426,669 in its provision for possible loan losses. The company said that without the special provision it would have shown a profit both for the quarter and for the year's first nine months.

Zvi H. Muscal, ExecuFirst chairman and First Executive Bank president and chief executive officer, said, "Our third quarter provision of $1,454,761 for possible loan losses (which includes the $1,426,669 referred to above) was established after a thorough and comprehensive internal review of our loan portfolio.

"It reflects our desire to provide a strong reserve for loans to individuals

whose assets and businesses are concentrated in real estate and real estate development as well as provide for the negative impact of general economic conditions and the banking regulatory environment." This provision brings the total reserve to $1.9 million, or more than two and one-half times the non-performing loans.

ExecuFirst reported that the third quarter's significantly higher loan loss provision more than offset strong growth in interest and non-interest income. Net interest income before the provision and non-interest income totaled $592,051 up 25 percent from levels a year ago. During that same period, loans rose 51 percent to $45.4 million and deposits increased 29 percent to $47 million, the company noted.

"A significant increase in our banking relationship with medical and legal professionals contributed to our strong growth in loans and deposits," Muscal said. "This important customer segment now accounts for more than ten percent of our business and it continues to grow."

The company reported that assets at Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $56.3 million, up 17 percent from the third quarter of 1989. At Sept. 30, 1990, ExecuFirst Bancorp had a book value of $6.91 per share, compared to a book value of $8.16 per share a year ago.

First Executive Bank opened for business in November of 1988. Located at 1513 Walnut St. in Center City Philadelphia, it is a state-chartered bank and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Its deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC).

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Chesapeake Corporation (NYSE: CSK) today announced net income of $3.0 million for the third quarter of 1990, a 76 percent decline from the $12.4 million earned in the same period last year. Earnings per share were $.15, compared to $.60 for the third quarter of 1989. Sales for the quarter ended September 30, 1990 were $215.9 million, up 5 percent from $205.7 million a year ago.

For the first nine months, Chesapeake's net income was $14.9 million, or $.73 a share, down 60 percent from $37.3 million, or $1.81 a share, in 1989. Year to date 1990 sales of $642.3 million were 6 percent higher than the $607.1 million last year.

Commenting on the results, J. Carter Fox, president and chief executive officer, said, "The third quarter operating profit from our businesses other than kraft products declined less than $1.5 million from results in the third

quarter of 1989. Kraft products' third quarter operating profit was significantly lower than a year ago, primarily due to reduced prices (12 percent) and production (7 percent). The production decline was largely because of planned maintenance downtime at the West Point mill which was deferred from the second quarter. By the end of the quarter, the West Point mill had returned to normal operating levels. Compared to a year ago, third quarter earnings declined about $.16 a share because of lower kraft production. Demand for kraft products, especially our kraft paper and white paperboard products, has been generally good all year in spite of price pressures. Price declines in market pulp and corrugating medium have been especially severe."

Mr. Fox also said, "Our new tissue machine that started up in late June has performed ahead of our expectations. In the third quarter our tissue business achieved record sales and improved operating earnings. Packaging shipments were also strong, increasing almost 11 percent over the third quarter of 1989, but margins were slightly tighter."

Mr. Fox concluded, "We expect net income for the fourth quarter of 1990 to improve considerably over the third quarter of 1990, although net income for the second half of 1990 will probably be lower than the first half of 1990. Our kraft, packaging, tissue, and consumer products businesses historically have their peak shipments during the fourth quarter. Demand and operating rates remain healthy in these businesses. In spite of this short term optimism I am concerned about the general economic slowdown, and we are closely reviewing our operating costs and capital expenditures for 1991. I expect our 1991 capital expenditures will be reduced by at least 15 percent from this year's estimated $130 million. Because of our focus on niche products and products utilizing recycled fiber, I believe Chesapeake is better prepared to withstand cyclical downturns than we were in the past."

Chesapeake Corporation is an integrated paper and forest products company that produces and sells kraft, tissue, packaging, and wood products.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Academy Insurance Group Inc. (NASDAQ: ACIG) announced today that on Oct. 16, certain large shareholders and members of management, owning in the aggregate approximately 50 percent of the outstanding common shares of the company ("Investor Group"), delivered an offer to acquire the company ("Offer") to a Special Committee of the Board of Directors, formed for that purpose.

The Offer proposes a "cash out" merger in which all of the shares of the

remaining shareholders, plus a small portion of the shares of the Investor Group, will be "cashed out" at a price of $1.30 per share. The Offer is conditioned upon the approval of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of the company, other than the Investor Group, who vote on the merger proposal. The Offer further provides that during the period prior to consummation of the merger, the Special Committee is free to solicit and entertain better offers.

If the Special Committee accepts the offer and later receives an all cash offer to buy all of the outstanding common shares of the company on terms more favorable to all shareholders than those contained in the Offer, the Investor Group will sell its shares to he person making the better offer, provided the transaction is approved by holders of a majority of the shares of the company, other than the Investor Group, voting on that proposal.

The Offer is currently under consideration by the Special Committee, together with its investment advisors and counsel. If not accepted beforehand, the Offer will expire at 2 p.m., New York time, on Oct. 25.

If the Offer is recommended to the shareholders by the Special Committee, the company will schedule a shareholders' meeting for the purpose of voting on the Offer and will distribute proxy materials to the shareholders prior to the meeting.

The company also announced that a Memorandum of Understanding has been entered into among representatives of the parties in two pending and one discontinued actions commenced by certain shareholders against the company and its directors objecting to the proposed transaction. Prior to the making of the Offer, representatives of the Investor Group met with representatives of the plaintiffs to discuss information relating to the value of the company and relating to the nature and structure of the Offer.

Academy Insurance Group Inc. is an insurance and financial services company that provides life, health and property/casualty products to specialty or "niche" markets.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Crown Central Petroleum Corp. (AMEX: CNP) announced today that the company earned $2.4 million ($.24 per share) in net income for the third quarter of 1990 on revenues of $501 million.

This compares to net income of $8.8 million ($.88 per share) on revenues of $319 million for the third quarter of 1989, and to net income of $15.2 million ($1.54 per share) on revenues of $492 million in the second quarter of 1990.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $18.7 million ($1.90 per share) on revenues of $1,452 million compared to net income of $17.9 million ($1.78 per share) on revenues of $907 million for the same period in 1989. The increase in revenues was principally due to operations of the La Gloria Oil and Gas Co. acquired effective Oct. 1, 1989, and to higher refined product sales prices.

Henry A. Rosenberg Jr., chairman, said: "The decreases in net income of approximately 84 percent in the third quarter compared to the second quarter of 1990 and approximately 73 percent compared to the third quarter of 1989 were due largely to the fact that the rapidly escalating costs to the company for crude oil and other refinery feedstocks have been only partially reflected in the prices received by the company for finished products."

Rosenberg noted that operating costs in the third quarter included $2.5 million related to environmental matters and to retail outlet closings. Operations were curtailed and production was lowered during the quarter at Crown's Houston refinery while repairs were made to the crude unit, which was damaged in a fire on July 3, and to the FCC unit, the main gasoline producer. Crown's Tyler, Texas refinery operated near capacity throughout the quarter.

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HADDON TOWNSHIP, N.J. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - First Peoples Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: FPNJ), parent company of First Peoples Bank of New Jersey, today reported net income of $1.3 million or $.51 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, and net income of $6.5 million or $2.43 per share for the first nine months of 1990.

These results compared to net income of $3.3 million or $1.16 per share for the third quarter of 1989 and $8.5 million or $2.85 per share for the first nine months of 1989. The 1989 results were further increased by extraordinary credits in the third quarter of 1989 of $700,000, and $2.3 million for the first nine months, related to the benefit of prior years' tax loss carryforwards. The extraordinary credits in the quarter and nine-month periods of 1989 increased the results of those periods to $1.41 and $3.64 per share respectively. Average shares outstanding decreased from 2.9 million at Sept. 30, 1989, to 2.6 million at Sept. 30, 1990, as a result of treasury stock repurchases.

Jerome S. Goodman, chairman and chief executive officer of the bank holding company, stated that the decrease in net income was due to an increase in the loan loss provision in the third quarter and in the previous two quarters. He cited the continuing slowdown in the Southern New Jersey economy and the problems in commercial real estate throughout the region resulting in an increase in non-performing assets as the cause of the increase in the loan loss provision. The increase in the provision for loan losses in the third quarter was $1.5 million and for the first nine months of 1990 was $2.2 million as compared to no increase in the provision in the year-earlier periods. Goodman noted that increasing the loan loss reserve through higher provisions is the prudent thing to do given the level of non-performing assets the uncertainties surrounding the economy and the commercial real estate market in the region. He stated that management will continue its normal intensive review of the loan portfolio and will provide additional reserves if needed.

Total assets were $1 billion as of Sept. 30, an increase of $56.1 million, or 5.9 percent, over total assets of one year earlier. This improvement is attributable to continued loan growth. Gross loans, excluding term federal funds sold, were $719.8 million as of Sept. 30, an increase of $110.9 million or 18.2 percent, over $608.9 million at Sept. 30, 1989. The increase in gross loans outstanding was primarily attributable to growth related to Small Business Administration loans fully guaranteed by the U.S. government.

At the end of the third quarter, non-performing assets (non-accruing loans plus real estate owned) totaled $23.9 million as compared to $15.8 million at the end of the prior year's third quarter. The allowance for possible loan losses was $6.8 million, or 1.41 percent of gross loans excluding term federal funds sold and Small Business Administration loans fully guaranteed by the U.S. government. This compares to $6 million, or 1.26 percent of gross non-guaranteed loans, excluding term federal funds sold, as of Sept. 30, 1989.

Total deposits were $883.5 million at Sept. 30, an increase of $68.9 million or 8.5 percent, over deposits at Sept. 30, 1989. The corporation's capital base continued to grow with shareholders' equity reaching $67.7 million, an increase of $1.6 million, or 2.3 percent, over shareholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1989. Primary capital as a percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, was 7.30 percent, and risk- based capital ratios were 11.26 percent for Tier 1 and 12.39 percent for Tier 2, substantially in excess of regulatory guidelines which will become mandatory in 1991.

First Peoples Financial Corp., parent company of First Peoples Bank of New Jersey, is the largest bank holding company headquartered in southern New Jersey. The bank's 31 offices serve Burlington, Camden, Cumberland and Gloucester counties.

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FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition
(Unaudited; in thousands)

At Sept. 30	1990	1989
Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents:		
Cash and due from banks	$48,473	$48,893
Federal funds sold	--	41,000
Total cash and cash equivalents	48,473	89,893
Investment securities	149,048	142,124
Loans:		
Loans	719,828	608,862
Term federal funds	53,000	88,100
Less: allowance for possible loan losses	(6,814)	(5,982)
Net loans	766,014	690,980
Premises and equipment	21,845	19,361
Other real estate	10,102	720
Accrued income	12,274	11,130
Other assets	6,571	4,018
Total assets	$1,014,327	$958,226
Liabilities and shareholders' equity:		
Deposits:		
Noninterest-bearing	$137,487	$130,082
Interest-bearing	746,047	684,582
Total deposits	883,534	814,664
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under repurchase agreements	49,337	28,536
Other short-term borrowings	1,125	33,384

Long-term borrowings	--	4,003
Accrued interest on deposits	6,612	7,190
Other liabilities	5,002	2,284
Limited-life preferred stock	1,000	2,000
Total liabilities	946,610	892,061
Shareholders' equity:		
Common stock	20,208	20,204
Surplus	19,133	19,120
Undivided profits	54,775	46,548
Treasury stock	(26,399)	(19,326)
Valuation allowance for securities	--	(381)
Total shareholders' equity	67,717	66,165
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	$1,014,327	$958,226

Certain prior-year amounts have been reclassified to conform with the 1990 presentation.

Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited; in thousands except per-share data)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest income:				
Loans, including fees	$19,704	$19,463	$59,502	$56,062
Investment securities				
Taxable	1,850	2,062	5,329	7,051
Tax-exempt	877	1,143	3,099	3,358
Federal funds sold	183	509	579	1,121
Total interest income	22,614	23,177	68,509	67,592
Interest expense:				
Deposits	12,555	12,133	36,614	34,914
Short-term borrowings	578	746	2,272	2,541
Long-term borrowings	67	125	312	375
Total interest expense	13,200	13,004	39,198	37,830
Net interest income	9,414	10,173	29,311	29,762
Provision for possible loan losses	1,500	0	2,200	0
Net interest income after provision for possible loan losses	7,914	10,173	27,111	29,762
Other income: Service charges on deposit accounts	770	696	2,265	2,011
Security transactions	66	217	154	218
Other	1,318	837	3,118	2,555
Total other income	2,154	1,750	5,537	4,784
Total	10,068	11,923	32,648	34,548
Operating expense:				
Salaries and employee				

benefits	4,112	3,958	12,098	11,409
Net occupancy	775	757	2,263	2,153
Equipment and processing	854	632	2,459	2,167
Loss (gain) on sale of other real estate, net	532	(6)	633	(99)
Marketing and public relations	202	219	614	832
Legal fees and loan collection services	236	240	651	699
Other operating expenses	1,871	1,806	5,951	5,362
Total operating expense	8,582	7,606	24,669	22,523
Income before income taxes and extraordinary credit	1,486	4,317	7,979	12,023
Income taxes	159	1,003	1,509	3,545
Income before extraordinary credit	1,327	3,314	6,470	8,478
Extraordinary credit -- benefit attributable to prior years' tax loss carryforwards	0	693	0	2,340
Net income	$1,327	$4,007	$6,470	$10,818
Weighted average shares outstanding:				
Primary	2,526	2,818	2,619	2,931
Fully diluted	2,526	2,818	2,619	2,931
Income per common share:				
Income before extraordinary items:				
Primary	$0.51	$1.16	$2.43	$2.85
Fully diluted	$0.51	$1.16	$2.43	$2.85
Net income:				
Primary	$0.51	$1.41	$2.43	$3.64
Fully diluted	$0.51	$1.41	$2.43	$3.64

Certain prior-year amounts have been reclassified to conform with the 1990 presentation. Such reclassifications had no effect on income.

CONTACT: Joanne Rosen of First Peoples Financial, 609-858-7673

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Crown Central Petroleum Corp. (AMEX: CNP) at today's meeting declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.10 per share on the Class A and Class B common stock.

Both dividends are payable Nov. 23, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 5, 1990.

CONTACT: William R. Snyder, vp of Crown Central Petroleum, (301) 539-7400.

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BINGHAMTON, NY (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - James R. Allen, president of CAE-Link, today announced the Tactical Simulation Operation will maintain its engineering, design, test and integration functions at the current location in Silver Spring, Md., and will consolidate manufacturing and some support functions at CAE-Link headquarters in Binghamton.

"After careful study, we determined our customers would be best served by keeping our first-rate engineering team at the same, suburban Washington facility it has occupied for more than 25 years," Allen said. "At the same time, consolidating other operations will enable the company to be more competitive in both the domestic and international marketplace."

"We appreciate the confidence the United States Navy has placed in us and we believe keeping the facility where it is makes the most sense for us, our employees, our customers and the community."

CAE-Link is the largest military simulation and training company in the United States. The company provides simulators and other training devices and services to all branches of the U.S. military, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and allied governments.

The Silver Spring facility is the major supplier of anti-submarine warfare training devices and a major supplier of shipboard and land-based training systems.

Since 1988, CAE-Link has been a subsidiary of CAE Industries Ltd. which is headquartered in Toronto, Canada. CAE-Link has facilities in Texas and California in addition to Silver Spring and Binghamton.

"Like all defense contractors we have been examining our operations with an eye toward improving productivity and profitability," Allen said. "We are pre-eminent in the simulation field and want to remain in the number one position. Our objective is to keep CAE-Link at the forefront of simulation technology while providing challenging opportunities for our employees and the highest quality products and cost-effective services for our customers."

CONTACT: Ann Wrobleski of The Jefferson Group, (202) 638-3535 or (202) 966-7208, for CAE-Link; or Ken McNamara of CAE-Link Tactical Simulation Operation, (301) 622-4400.

-30- 2384

#90292p7393 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DURHAM, N.C. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Financial Holding Company (NASDAQ: SECF), the parent of Security Federal Savings Bank, Durham, North Carolina, announced today that its Board of Directors has declared its first dividend. The cash dividend, of $0.125 per share payble to stockholders of record as of October 29, 1990 will be paid on November 9, 1990. The Company also announced that its Board of Directors has approved a stock repurchase program to acquire up to 60,450 shares of the Company's common stock over the next six months, which represents approximately 5 percent of the outstanding common stock. The program will be dependent upon market conditions, and there is no guarantee as to the exact number of shares to be repurchased by the Company.

Larry D. Brock, President of the Company, stated that the Board of Directors determined that the payment of a dividend was appropriate in light on the Company's capital position and recent operating results. He noted that any further dividends will depend upon the Company's financial condition, earnings equity structure, capital needs, regulatory requirements and economic conditions.

Addressing the repurchase program, Mr. Brock explained that the Board of Directors considers the Company's stock to be an attractive investment, at its current price. In addition, the repurchase program is designed to limit the future dilution incurred in connection with the company's stock option plan.

Security Financial Holding Company is the holding company for Security Federal Savings Bank, which conducts business through its main office in Durham, North Carolina and eight other offices in Durham, Orange, and Granville counties. Security Financial Holding Company recently completed its initial public offering, selling $12.1 million worth of stock to depositors of Security Federal Savings Bank which is the largest savings bank in Durham.

CONTACT: Larry D. Brock, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer or Robert F. Stockwell, Chief Financial Officer of Security Financial Holding Company, 919-687-7200

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#90292p7399 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BATTLE CREEK, MICH. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Kellogg Company (NYSE: K) today announced the promotions of Holger U. Birkigt, John J. Feeney, and Jeanene M. Mallmann to the position of vice president, Kellogg Company.

Mr. Birkigt, Mr. Feeney and Ms. Mallmann will retain their current operational responsibilities.

Birkigt, of Bremen, Germany, has been director, continental European operations, Kellogg International, since July of 1990. He joined Kellogg

(Deutschland) GmbH as financial controller in 1977. He was promoted to director of finance and administration in 1978 and to managing director in 1984.

Feeney, of Pottstown, Pa., has been president and chief executive officer of Mrs. Smith's Frozen Foods Co., a Kellogg Company subsidiary, since January of 1989. He joined Mrs. Smith's as controller in 1970. He was promoted to senior vice president-finance and administration in 1981 and to executive vice president-administration in 1984. In 1985, he was named president and chief operating officer.

Mallmann, of Battle Creek, has been president, McCamly Square Division since December of 1988. She joined Kellogg Company in 1973 as a secretary in the controller's office. She was promoted to administrative assistant in 1978; to manager, corporate contributions and executive services in 1983; and to director of contributions, corporate and executive services in January of 1988.

CONTACT: Neil G. Nyberg of Kellogg Company, 616-961-3799

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#90292p7401 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALEM, OR (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Commercial Bancorp (NASDAQ: CBOR) today reported net income for the third quarter of 1990 of $551,000 or, 49 cents per common share, up 21 percent from the $455,000, or, 42 cents per common share for the second quarter of 1990 and 24 percent higher than the third quarter 1989 net income of $443,000, or 39 cents per common share.

"This represents the second-best quarter in the company's history," President R.B. Tibbatts announced today, "and was equivalent to an annualized 1.08 percent return on average assets."

Net interest income on a non-taxable equivalent basis was $2,741,000 for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $2,527,000 during the second quarter of 1990 and $2,473,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The increase is due primarily to improved pricing of both loans and deposits, as reflected in the tax equivalent net interest margins of 6.09 percent in the third quarter of 1989, 6.05 percent in the second quarter of 1990, and 6.47 percent in the third quarter of 1990.

"While year-to-date net income of $1,436,000 was slightly below the prior year " Tibbatts said, "we remain on budget for another outstanding year."

Commercial Bancorp is the holding company for The Commercial Bank, the largest locally owned bank in the mid-Willamette Valley. The bank employs 200 people in 10 offices in Salem, Keizer, Silverton, Monmouth, Molalla and Newberg, Ore.

COMMERCIAL BANCORP

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL SUMMARY, SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA
(Unaudited, in thousands)

Three Months Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	Percent Change
Net income	$ 551	$ 443	24.38
Return on average assets (pct)	1.08	0.94	14.96
Return on average equity (pct)	13.42	11.89	12.89
Net interest margin (tax equivalent) (pct)	6.47	6.09	6.24
Per share:			
Earnings	$ 0.49	$ 0.39	26.29
Book value	$14.54	$14.03	3.59
Primary Capital-to-assets (pct)	8.09	7.91	2.31
Reserve to total loans (pct)	1.14	1.00	14.03
Non-accruing loans to total loans (pct)	0.86	0.86	0.00

BALANCE SHEET SUMMARY

As of Sept. 30:	1990	1989	Percent Change
Loans, net of unearned income	$127,824	$119,644	6.84
Investment securities	50,597	46,536	8.73
Total assets	204,359	192,224	6.31
Deposits	186,402	174,791	6.64
Shareholders' equity	16,531	15,198	8.77

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	Percent Change
Net income	$ 1,436	$ 1,535	(6.45)
Return on average assets (pct)	0.97	1.11	(12.14)
Return on average equity (pct)	12.02	14.09	(14.70)
Net interest margin (tax equivalent) (pct)	6.22	6.24	(0.35)

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME
(Unaudited, in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Nine Months		Three Months	
Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest income:				
Loans	$11,723	$11,216	$ 4,020	$ 3,824
Taxable investments	1,848	2,072	681	693
Nontaxable investments	640	569	233	190
Other	375	144	158	75
Total interest income	14,586	14,001	5,092	4,782
Interest expense: Interest on deposits				
Interest bearing demand	1,611	1,584	557	530
Savings	870	797	311	261
Time	4,390	4,174	1,483	1,518
Total interest expense	6,871	6,555	2,351	2,309
Net interest income	7,715	7,446	2,741	2,473
Provision for loan losses	410	600	150	300
Net interest income after provision for				

loan losses	7,305	6,846	2,591	2,173
Other income: Service charges on deposit accounts	819	840	259	273
Trust department	395	401	134	155
Other fees and income	405	449	152	123
Securities gains (losses)	(6)	0	(6)	0
Total other income	1,613	1,690	539	551
Other expense: Salaries and employee benefits	3,748	3,444	1,285	1,175
Occupancy	534	471	178	149
Furniture and equipment	537	461	183	129
Communications	241	230	78	74
Data processing	460	446	176	158
Examination and reporting	232	206	64	53
Loan origination and collection	135	211	39	92
Supplies	223	207	77	70
Other	842	683	290	209
Total operating expense	6,952	6,359	2,370	2,109
Income before income taxes	1,966	2,177	760	615
Provision for income taxes	530	642	209	172
Net income	$1,436	$1,535	$ 551	$ 443
Per share:				
Net income	$ 1.31	$ 1.40	$ 0.49	$ 0.39
Cash dividends	$ 0.40	$0.36	$ 0.10	$ 0.10
Average shares outstanding	1,092	1,095	1,111	1,120

CONTACT: R.B. Tibbatts, 503-399-2946, or Don Judson, 503-399-2930, both of Commercial Bancorp

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ATLANTA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - RPC Energy Services Inc. (NYSE: RES) announced its unaudited results for the nine months and three months ended Sept. 30.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, revenue increased 8 percent from $79,146,000 last year to $85,688,000. Net income after income taxes increased 18 percent for the same period from $6,941,000 or 48 cents per share a year ago to $8,215,000 or 57 cents per share.

Revenue for the three months ended Sept. 30 increased 10 percent from $22,422,000 last year to $24,698,000. Net income after income taxes increased 18 percent for the three months ended Sept. 30 from $2,458,000 or 17 cents per

share last year to $2,899,000 or 20 cents per share.

RPC operates in two major segments. RPC provides rental of specialized oil field equipment, and well control and transportation services to the oil and gas industry. In addition, RPC owns Chaparral Boats, a leading national manufacturer of powerboats. For the three months ended Sept. 30, revenue for the boat manufacturing segment increased 21 percent from $7,290,000 last year to $8,844,000 this year. The oil and gas services segment revenue increased 5 percent for the three months ended Sept. 30 from $15,132,000 last year to $15,854,000 this year.

Cash flow for the three months ended Sept. 30 improved $646,000 or 19 percent to $4,030,000 from $3,384,000 for the same period a year ago.

As of Sept. 30, the active rig count increased 8 percent to 1,047 rigs from 967 at Sept. 30, 1989. The uncertainty in the oil supply from the Middle East has not produced a significant increase in oil and gas services segment revenue as domestic drillers have been slow to respond to this problem. The boat manufacturing segment anticipates flat or declining sales as the industry-wide recession continues.

CONTACT: Debra G. Herron of RPC Energy Services, 404-888-2952

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#90292p7404 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - BMC Industries, Inc. (NYSE: BMC) today announced a third quarter 1990 loss of $1,465,000 or 27 cents per share, compared to earnings of $1,544,000 or 27 cents for the same period last year. Net sales for the quarter were $39.2 million, compared to $37.1 million for the third quarter last year.

Net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $1,117,000 or 20 cents per share, compared to earnings of $3,195,000 or 56 cents per share for the same period last year. Net sales for the first nine months were $128.9 million, compared to $123.3 million for the same period last year.

Robert J. Carlson, BMC's CEO, stated "Third quarter results came in as we anticipated and disclosed in our release of mid-September."

CONTACT: Merle D. Kerr of BMC Industries, Inc., 612-851-6020

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#90292p7411 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Primerica Corporation (NYSE: PA) announced today it had, during the five trading days ending at the close of business today, repurchased a total of 383,100 shares of its common stock, pursuant to

the company's announcement on Sept. 21, 1990, that it had authorized the repurchase of up to three million shares of its common stock, subject to market conditions.

The purchases were made in the open market on the New York Stock Exchange at currently prevailing prices.

CONTACT: Mary McDermott of Primerica, (212) 891-8870.

-30- 744

#90292p7416 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANTON, MA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Identics Corporation (NASDAQ: CIDN) reported its unaudited results today for the third quarter of 1990 and the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues from sales of products and services increased to $13,319,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared with $11,854,000 for the same period in 1989, a 12 percent increase. Total revenue for the first nine months of 1989 was $13,415,000 and included the non-recurring sale of a manufacturing license and related assets for $1,561,000. Third quarter sales were $4,216,000 as compared with $4,582,000 for the third quarter 1989, a decrease of eight percent.

The company reported pre-tax losses of $97,000 for the third quarter of 1990 as compared with pre-tax income of $261,000 for the same period in 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 the pre-tax income was $77,000 as compared with $803,000 for 1989.

Without the gain on the sale of the manufacturing license, there would have been a loss of $19,000 for the first nine months of 1989. The provision for income taxes for the 1990 periods arose as a result of income generated at our European subsidiaries. The 1989 provision for income taxes was primarily the result of state income taxes incurred in the United States.

Frank Wezniak, president and chief executive officer, said "The third quarter results were disappointing, as domestic orders and revenues were weaker than expected, especially in July and August, with some recovery in September. Export activity continues to show excellent results and now represents half of our consolidated revenue.

"For the quarter, pre-tax income is lower than last year's because of the lower revenues and increased investment in product develoment, marketing and sales. Our product development effort has produced several key new products, one of which, a new series of Starnode data collection terminals, was introduced in October at Scan-Tech, our most important trade show each year.

These new terminals are fully compatible with our previous products, enabling

them to be sold as additions to our significant installed base. Utilizing advanced low-cost surface mount technology, they feature advanced data capture processing, and communication capability through the use of several micro processors operating in parallel. Initial customer response has been excellent and this family of products should have a significant business impact.

CONTACT: Frank J. Wezniak, president, or Stephen D. Prendergast, vice president, finance and administration, both of Computer Identics, (617) 821-0830.

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#90292p7420 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines today said it flew 1.04 billion revenue passenger miles and had a 50.75 percent load factor in September. Capacity was 2.05 billion available seat miles; passenger boardings were 1.41 million.

Eastern said that although September traffic reflected the normal seasonal decrease, its yield per revenue passenger mile showed a 20 percent improvement over September, 1989 levels due to an increased number of business travelers flying Eastern.

In September 1989 Eastern also flew 1.04 billion revenue passenger miles, with capacity of 1.61 billion available seat miles and a 64.8 percent load factor. Passenger boardings were 1.4 million. Eastern currently operates about 800 daily flights to more than 70 cities.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, (305) 873-3773, or (305) 873-6360.

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#90292p7421 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DULUTH, MN (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Minnesota Power (NYSE: MPL) today reported third quarter 1990 earnings of 74 cents per share of common stock, compared with $1.31 for the third quarter of 1989.

"Our electric sales continue to reflect the good health of the region's mining and wood products industries, resulting in steady earnings from ongoing operations; company subsidiaries also continue to operate profitably," said Arend Sandbulte, chairman and president of the Duluth, Minn.-based power supplier.

Direct comparison of the company's 1990 financial results with results a year earlier is complicated by two separate gains and two write-offs that occurred during the years' third quarters, Sandbulte said.

The company completed the sale of a 20 percent share of Clay Boswell Unit 4 to Wisconsin Public Power, Inc. (WPPI) in September. The previously announced $84 million transaction added 40 cents a share in this year's third quarter. A year ago, the sale of a telecommunications subsidiary added $1.10 a share to Minnesota Power's third quarter earnings.

Gains reflected in earnings for the comparable quarters were partially offset by write-offs - 21 cents per share in 1989 and eight cents per share in 1990 - related to income not realized because a planned capacity sale to Northern States Power Company was cancelled.

Revenues in the third quarter were $114 million, compared with $115 million a year ago. Net income for the quarter was $22.6 million, versus $39.2 million in 1989's third quarter.

For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, earnings per share were $2.43, compared with $3.07 for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Revenues were $475 million, compared with $465 million a year earlier. Net income was $75.4 million, compared with $93.5 million for the comparable 12-month period a year earlier.

Minnesota Power is publicly held and traded on the New York Stock Exchange. The company provides electric service in northern Minnesota and has diversified business interests that include paper making, coal mining and water and wastewater treatment operations.

CONTACT: Walter Kramer of Minnesota Power, (218) 723-3948.

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#90292p7426 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boston Five Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: BFCS) anounced today that all branch offices of the former 1st American Bank for Savings will open on Monday, Oct. 22, 1990, as offices of The Boston Five Cents Savings Bank FSB.

Peter J. Blampied, president and CEO of The Boston Five, said, "We have assumed responsibility for all of 1st American's deposit accounts. We welcome our new depositors and we intend to provide them with the best possible service."

"The combination of a loyal customer base and an established branch network makes this acquisition ideal in the context of our strategic plan," Blampied commented. "In fact, several 1st American braches particularly enhance The Boston Five's network of neighborhood offices," he added.

The Boston Five acquired this deposit franchise in a transaction involving the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Deposits of 1st American Bank

were fully insured by the FDIC and the Deposit Insurance Fund of Massachusetts. All balances are being transferred to The Boston Five by the FDIC.

With total assets of approximately $2.5 billion, The Boston Five is the largest savings bank headquartered in Massachusetts. It currently services about $1.9 billion in mortgage loans for investors. The Boston Five Bancorp, Inc. is the holding company of The Boston Five Cents Savings Bank FSB. It operates 15 loan offices in New England and 32 full-service offices in eastern Massachusetts, following this acquisition. Under the name Pope Mortgage Company it also operates two residential mortgage offices in the Carolinas.

CONTACT: Vernon L. Blodgett, Jr., senior vice president,
The Boston Five, 617-742-0823

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#90292p7428 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Knape & Vogt Manufacturing Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: KNAP) announced today that shareholders re-elected three directors for a three-year term and one director to hold a one-year term. The re-elected three-year directors include Robert J. Bowman, vice chairman and secretary of the company; Mary Rita Cuddohy, private investor; and Richard S. Knape, manager, product engineering and development of the company. Allan E. Perry, vice president, manufacturing, of the company, was re-elected for a one-year term.

Raymond E. Knape, chairman and president, told shareholders that Knape & Vogt achieved a 33-percent increase in earnings during the first quarter, ended Sept. 30, to $1,507,044 on sales of $28.7 million.

He said he anticipates the 1991 fiscal year results will be even stronger than fiscal 1990. This is due to an expected decline in manufacturing costs and in selling and administrative expenses as a percentage of sales; along with the reduction of interest resulting from the substantial decrease of debt achieved in the last nine months. This debt reduction was accomplished by selling under-utilized assets and consolidating manufacturing facilities.

During the 1990 fiscal year, net income rose to $9.7 million, or $2.49 per share, as compared to net income of $5.3 million, or $1.31 a share, in 1989. The 1990 net income figure is deceiving because it includes an after-tax gain of $4 million, or $1.03 per share, from the sale of the company's La Mirada facility. Strictly on an operational basis, the company's earnings for fiscal 1990 were $5.7 million, or $1.46 per share.

Knape & Vogt manufactures wall-attached shelving, a wide variety of home furnishing items and also derives about one-third of its sales from drawer slides for kitchen and utility cabinet manufacturers.

CONTACT: Robert Bowman of Knape & Vogt, 616-459-3311; or Jack Queeney, 312-266-7800, or Kathleen Phelan, 212-661-8030, both of The Financial Relations Board for Knape & Vogt

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#90292p7437 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to fine Texaco U.S.A. Inc $10,000 for a one-time discharge of oil-based drilling fluids from its Platform Habitat offshore oil production facility into the Santa Barbara Channel off the Southern California coast.

"Texaco discharged oil-based fluids in violation of Clean Water Act requirements, and it must be held financially accountable for violating the law and endangering the environment," said Harry Seraydarian, EPA's Water Management Division director.

Texaco notified EPA of the May 7, 1990, incident, in which over 6,000 gallons of oil-based drilling fluids were accidentally discharged into the ocean. These fluids are normally reused until they are no longer useful. The fluids are then transported in barrels off the oil platform and disposed of at a land-based facility.

Texaco has 30 days to appeal this order and request a hearing.

CONTACT: Lois Grunwald of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 415-744-1588

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#90292p7438 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOLLAND, MICH. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Donnelly Corporation (AMEX: DON) announced today that its board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 7 cents per share on its Class A common stock. The dividend will be paid on Jan. 1, 1991, to holders of record at the close of business on Dec. 17, 1990.

Donnelly Corporation is an international company dedicated to serving customers around the world with high-quality fabricated, molded and coated glass products for the transportation and electronics markets.

The company has been based in Holland since 1905 and today operates from 12 separate facilities in western Michigan.

In addition, Donnelly has a major manufacturing facility in Naas, Ireland; a marketing liaison office in Tokyo and in Detroit; an Advanced Technology Center in Tucson, Ariz.; and a manufacturing facility (in conjunction with

Asahi Glass of Japan) in Mount Pleasant, Tenn.

Donnelly is also recognized as a leader in the application of participative management practices.

CONTACT: Maryam Komejan of Donnelly Corporation, 616-394-2437

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#90292p7442 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Knape & Vogt Manufacturing Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: KNAP) said its board of directors today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 14 cents per share of common stock and 12-1/2 cents a share on Class B common stock. Both dividends are payable Dec. 7, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 23, 1990.

Knape & Vogt manufactures well-attached shelving, a wide variety of home furnishing items and also derives about one-third of its sales from drawer slides for kitchen and utility cabinet manufacturers.

CONTACT: Robert Bowman of Knape & Vogt, 616-459-3311; or Jack Queeney, 312-266-7800, or Kathleen Phelan, 212-661-8030, both of The Financial Relations Board for Knape & Vogt

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#90292p7448 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEVELAND (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Dutch Boy is issuing statements to all its retailers that the company does not use mercury in its manufactured paint.

The reason for the statements is due to the publicity generated by a recently released study from the Center for Disease Control which said latex paint may cause mercury poisoning.

"We have voluntarily eliminated the use of mercury compounds in our manufactured paint since 1985," said Scott King, vice president of sales and marketing.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency banned the use of mercury in all interior latex paints and requires warning labels on exterior latex paints containing mercury. The ban took effect on Aug. 20, 1990.

"With all the attention the media has devoted to this subject, we want to reassure our customers that we do not use mercury in any of our manufactured paint and have not for quite some time. Dutch Boy has a long standing commitment to consumer safety and the environment," King said.

According to John Gerulis, director of Regulatory Information Services for

Dutch Boy, the company began using other biocides as a preservative in its latex paint products in the 1960s. "While EPA estimates some 30 percent of the water-based latex paint products currently on the market reportedly contain mercury, none of those products are Dutch Boy brand paints," Gerulis said.

Mercury has been used in paints as a mildewcide and/or fungicide and as an in-can preservative. Dutch Boy has maintained the same product quality and benefits by replacing mercury with other environmentally safe ingredients.

CONTACT: Scott King of Dutch Boy Paints, (216) 566-3216 or Rob Falls of Franco-Griswold Public Relations, (216) 696-0229, for Dutch Boy Paints.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - CCAIR, Inc. doing business as USAir Express (NASDAQ-NMS: CCAR) through its board of directors announced that action has been taken by the board to remove Roy Hagerty from his position as president and chief executive officer of the company, effective Nov. 1, 1990.

The board will ask Hagerty to remain with the company as a consultant. The company has filed a motion with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court asking for authority to hire an individual to replace Hagerty as president of the company.

CONTACT: Alex Coffin of Coffin Associates, (704) 333-2348, for CCAIR, Inc.

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PALATINE, IL (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Suburban Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: SUBB) today reported third quarter 1990 net income of $953 thousand or $0.26 per share, compared to third quarter 1989 net income of $2.1 million or $0.55 per share.

Assets increased 11.7 percent from $870.8 million to $972.7 million, and deposits grew 12 percent from $783.9 million to $879.1 million from the third quarter 1989 to the third quarter 1990.

Third quarter results were attributable in part to a one-time write down on the carrying value of real estate held for future expansion and a higher effective federal income tax rate.

President Gerald F. Fitzgerald, Jr. stated that Suburban also continued to increase its reserves for loan losses during the quarter. The 13-bank holding company has increased its reserves 53 percent during the past year from $4.6 million on Sept. 30, 1989 to $7.1 million on Sept. 30, 1990.

Fitzgerald said Suburban was well positioned for any downturn in the economy

by reason of its strong reserves. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income stood at $2.1 million or $0.56, compared to $6.2 million or $1.58 per share the year earlier.

SUBURBAN BANCORP
Operating Highlights
(in millions except per share data)

	Quarter Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net interest income	$8.995	$9.033
Provision for loan losses	$0.680	$0.651
Net income	$0.953	$2.139
Earnings per share	$0.26	$0.55
	Operating Highlights	
	Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/90
Net interest income	$26.768	$26.800
Provision for loan losses	$4.813	$2.076
Net income	$2.088	$6.202
Earnings per share	$0.56	$1.58
	Balance Sheet Highlights	
	As of	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Total assets	$972.688	$870.813
Loans, less allowance for loan losses	$420.311	$387.162
Total deposits	$879.134	$783.984
Total stockholders equity	$72.571	$75.569

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - At 5 p.m. EDT today, Dean S. Marriott, senior deputy comptroller for bank supervision, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), declared Metropolitan National Bank, McAllen, Texas, insolvent. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) was appointed as receiver.

The bank became a matter of concern to the OCC in 1984. Unsatisfactory supervision of the bank by the board of directors and officers resulted in an excessive amount of losses. The weak supervision was magnified by poor economic conditions attributable to the peso devaluation and winter freezes.

The OCC obtained commitments from the board of directors and new ownership to inject capital and to undertake measures to correct the bank's problems. However, these efforts were unsuccessful and losses finally exhausted the

bank's capital funds, resulting in its insolvency.

Metropolitan National Bank received a national bank charter on Nov. 16, 1972. On Sept. 30, 1990, it had total assets of approximately $17 million.

CONTACT: Frank Vance of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 202-447-1800

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WAKEFIELD, MASS. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - DAKA International Inc. (NASDAQ: DKAI) (the "company") reported a net loss of $840,000 or 2 cents per share on revenues of $172 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $4.4 million or 12 cents per share on revenues of $162 million for the fiscal year ended July 1, 1989.

This overall improvement in operating results was the result of increased profits in the contract foodservice and restaurant segments, together with a $300,000 cumulative net effect of a change in accounting method for certain inventory items. The hotel segment continues to incur substantial losses. The company is actively pursuing the sale of its hotel properties; and accordingly, has charged operations for fiscal 1990 an additional $2.6 million to write down the carrying value of such properties and to accrue estimated losses to be incurred through the projected date of disposition. In fiscal 1989 the company had charges aggregating $5.9 million from its business combination and certain non-recurring items.

The company, through its DAKA subsidiary operates and manages approximately 500 contract foodservice facilities and owns, operates and manages six hotels. The company, through its Fuddruckers subsidiary owns, operates, franchises and manages Fuddruckers restaurants throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, South America, and Western Europe. There are currently 126 Fuddruckers restaurants in operation.

The company is publicly traded in the over the counter market and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "DKAI."

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Spinnaker Software Corporation (NASDAQ: SPKR) has begun shipping Spinnaker PLUS 2.0 for Microsoft(R) Windows(R) 3.0. Released on Sept. 28, PLUS is the first object-oriented hyperprogramming environment for developing and running custom information

management applications across PC compatible and Macintosh computers.

PLUS 2.0 provides corporate software developers, value-added resellers, independent software vendors, and systems integrators with a common tool for creating custom software solutions for the specialized needs of business users. PLUS will also enable power users within corporations to create department-wide or personal information management applications.

"PLUS will dramatically reduce corporate software development and maintenance costs because it combines object-oriented programming with cross-platform compatibility. It also provides the most direct method of moving HyperCard stacks to the PC," said C. David Seuss, Spinnaker's CEO and president. "PLUS uses the same graphic interface across PCs and Macs, so corporate training costs are also minimized."

The release of the Windows 3.0 version of PLUS was preceeded by the Macintosh version in April 1990. The OS/2 Presentation Manager version of PLUS is currently under development. Software applications created with any version of Spinnaker PLUS will look and run the same under all three operating systems without modification.

Spinnaker Software Corporation has been developing and marketing software applications for over eight years. The companmy became publicly traded in July 1989 after a reverse merger with Springboard Software.

CONTACT: Karin Waldman of Spinnaker Software, 617-494-1200

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CAMBRIDGE, MA. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Spinnaker Software Corporation (NASDAQ: SPKR) has begun shipping Spinnaker PLUS 2.0 for Microsoft(R) Windows(R) 3.0. Released on Sept. 28, PLUS is the first object-oriented hyperprogramming environment for developing and running custom information management applications across PC compatible and Macintosh computers.

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Tredegar Industries Inc. (NYSE: TG) reported today its sales and operating results for the third quarter ending September 30, 1990.

Tredegar became an independent company following a spin-off from Ethyl Corporation at the end of the second quarter of 1989. While 1990 results reflect actual performance, nine-months figures for 1989 were reported on a pro forma basis in order to illustrate how Tredegar might have performed as an independent company.

The pro forma figures assume that Tredegar would have incurred expenses of approximately $3 million per quarter on an after-tax basis prior to the spin-off. These expenses relate primarily to interest on Tredegar's debt and incremental administrative expenses.

Third-quarter sales for 1990 were $131,762,000, down from $163,072,000 in 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, sales decreased to $428,193,000 from $486,352,000 in 1989.

The net loss for the third quarter was $5,061,000, or 44 cents per share, compared to net income of $4,421,000, or 37 cents per share, a year earlier. For the first nine months of 1990, the net loss was $6,755,000, or 59 cents per share, down from pro forma net income of $10,264,000, or 85 cents per share, in 1989.

Tredegar has formalized its plan to divest and reorganize certain operations in its aluminum and plastics segments. In addition, the company has completed various phases of environmental review and cleanup and has evaluated the costs related to certain legal proceedings. Accordingly, the company recorded a $9,450,000 provision ($6,237,000 after-tax) during the quarter for costs associated with these matters. Any additional provisions for these items cannot be reasonably estimated at this time.

Third-quarter sales from ongoing operations (i.e., excluding revenues from plants to be closed or businesses held for sale) were $124,398,000, compared to $131,384,000 in 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, sales from ongoing operations were $373,194,000, compared to $388,244,000 in the prior year.

Third-quarter net income from ongoing operations (i.e., excluding unusual items and operating results and accruals relating to plants to be closed and businesses held for sale) was $1,623,000, or 15 cents per share. This compares to net income from ongoing operations of $4,287,000 or 36 cents per share, in 1989. On a year-to-date basis, net income from ongoing operations was $6,951,000, or 61 cents per share, compared to pro forma net income from ongoing operations of $9,018,000, or 75 cents per share, in 1989.

Tredegar Industries is a Fortune 500 manufacturer of plastics and aluminum products and has interests in coal, oil and gas.

CONTACT: Edward A. Cunningham, 804-330-1598 or Thomas E.B. Phillips, 804-330-1043, both of Tredegar Industries Inc.

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#90292p7474 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Gordon Thomson, Exxon Co., U.S.A. (NYSE: XON) marketing vice president, announced today the terms of the final settlement of the lawsuit filed by the North Carolina Department of Justice alleging "deceptive trade practice" by Exxon. According to Thomson, "The State has agreed to voluntarily dismiss the lawsuit against Exxon without prejudice. In return, Exxon agreed to provide restitution to any wholesale purchasers of Exxon products that were affected by the invoicing problems of Aug. 3, and that have not already been compensated. Exxon was already in the process of correcting the invoicing problem and reimbursing affected wholesale customers; the settlement is not unreasonable."

Thomson went on to say, "The State alleged that Exxon imposed retroactive price increases on products purchased by wholesale purchasers without providing adequate notice to those customers. We contend that, while invoicing mistakes did occur on Aug. 3 at proprietary terminals in North Carolina as a result of a computer systems error, Exxon was already in the process of correcting the problem when we were notified of the lawsuit."

In addition to the restitution to customers, Exxon agreed with the State that it would provide advance indication to wholesale customers when non-standard price notifications may take place. The company also agreed to pay the North Carolina Department of Justice reasonable investigative costs and attorneys fees in the amount of $8,000.

Thomson added that, "According to our records, all affected customers have been reimbursed. However, if any others can show that they were not properly invoiced, then they also will be reimbursed."

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#90292p7476 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CONN. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Ralph Nader-founded Public Citizen organization has admitted that it erred when it cited ITT Hartford Insurance Group as one of five insurance companies that could be financially vulnerable in the event of a severe economic downturn.

The retraction came in a letter to Donald R. Frahm, The Hartford's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Noting that Public Citizen's original report misstated The Hartford's surplus position, Joan Claybrook, president of Public Citizen, said: "As a result, The Hartford should not have been included ... We regret this error and will take steps to correct it."

When Public Citizen issued its study Oct. 15, it said that The Hartford's surplus -- the available backup funds used in case of catastrophic or unexpectedly severe losses -- had significantly deteriorated below 1972 levels. In fact, The Hartford's surplus grew between 1972 and 1988, and the company should not have failed any financial test based on the soundness of its surplus.

The correct surplus calculations were made by The Hartford and confirmed by Arthur Andersen & Co., an independent accounting firm.

"I'm pleased that Public Citizen admitted its blatant error, but this entire episode could have been easily avoided if the organization had contacted us, as well as appropriate state regulators, prior to compiling its report," said Frahm.

"Reputable and experienced rating organizations have always evaluated The Hartford as one of the finest and most responsible organizations in the industry. Public Citizen's 'tests,' on the other hand, have no proven ability to predict much of anything," he added.

"We regret that customers who depend on us for their financial security and peace-of-mind were needlessly alarmed by these irresponsible allegations," Frahm said.

ITT Hartford Insurance Group, a subsidiary of ITT Corp. (NYSE: ITT), is one of the nation's oldest and largest international insurance and financial services

operations. Member companies offer commercial property and casualty insurance, automobile and homeowners coverages, and a variety of life insurance, employee benefit and asset management plans.

CONTACT: Ken Ferraro, 203-547-3724 (office) or 203-645-0468 (home); or Joyce Willis, 203-547-4951 (office) or 203-286-0202 (home), both of ITT Hartford Insurance Group

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WICHITA, KAN. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The following letter was sent this afternoon, by Wilson K. Cadman, chairman of the board and president of Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE), in response to an earlier letter from A. Drue Jennings, president of Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE: KLT):

The intemperate tone of your letter to KG&E directors this afternoon astounded us. We can only conclude that you or your advisors totally misunderstood the events of recent days.

As you acknowledged, plans already are underway to arrange another meeting with you. Your statement that you were "stonewalled" earlier comes as a total surprise. In that meeting, we provided eight of our staff of whom your team asked 40 questions. According to our records, all were answered. Your representatives were then asked if they had additional queries and they said they did not. We took that to mean they were satisfied. In fact, we sent a full contingent to the meeting prepared to answer any reasonable question about KG&E's operations, financial statements, and business plan. Yet, after only one hour, your team declared it had no further questions.

You also indicated that KG&E is engaged in an "auction." It should not take a non-attorney like me to explain to a lawyer like you that such is not the case. We continue to respond to your hostile takeover bid and to our board's mandate that we fully explore all the available alternatives on behalf of our shareholders. That we have done and will continue to do.

If you need specific information, we intend to provide it. In the meantime, having contemporaneously received KCP&L's news release quoting your letter at length, we wonder if your letter of today may have been inspired by a need to be heard as another of your tender deadlines approaches. That, of course, we fully understand.

CONTACT: Lyle Koerper of Kansas Gas and Electric Company, 316-261-6207

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#90292p7482 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PASADENA, CALIF. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - William L. MacDonald, chairman and president of Compensation Resource Group Inc., announced that Keith A. Tobias has been promoted to executive vice president and chief operating officer from chief financial officer, and that Joseph W. Kiley III has been named senior vice president and chief financial officer.

MacDonald said, "Mr. Tobias' five years with CRG have been a key factor in bringing our organization to its present position as an industry leader in executive compensation." He said the appointment of Kiley is "another step in adding to the depth of CRG's senior management."

Tobias also serves on the board of directors of the company. He was formerly a senior vice president with Clark/Bardes Inc. and an executive compensation specialist with Merrill Lynch. He earned his CPA certificate at Ernst Young & Co. in Los Angeles.

Prior to joining CRG, Kiley was a vice president in the finance departments of First Interstate Bank, Gibraltar Savings, and Management Compensation Group. He received his CPA certificate while at Peat Marwick, where he spent over seven years, reaching the position of audit manager in the Los Angeles office.

Compensation Resource Group is a national financial services company specializing in the design, funding and administration of executive compensation and benefit plans. The company provides fee- based consulting services to a number of Fortune 1000 companies.

CONTACT: William L. MacDonald, president, or Keith A. Tobias, executive VP of Compensation Resource Group, 818-405-0911

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HOUSTON (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Permian Partners, L.P. (Permian) (NYSE: PPA) today announced that it estimates its losses for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 to be approximately $8.9 million, excluding gains that are attributable to increases in the value of its inventory. Margins from the base gathering business remained relatively flat through the quarter. Permian also expects to realize a gain attributable to increases in the value of its inventory of approximately $29.8 million, bringing its total estimated earnings for the quarter to approximately $20.9 million. Due to the nature of its business, Permian maintains approximatley 1.5 to 2.2 million barrels of inventory, which is susceptible to fluctuations in crude oil prices, such as the sharp increases in crude oil prices caused by the Middle East situation. Final results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 are not yet available.

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#90292p7501 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
SPOKANE, WASH. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Key Tronic Corp. (NASDAQ: KTCC), the Spokane-based manufacturer of computer input devices, today announced the resignation of Lewis G. Zirkle, its founder.

Zirkle announced his decision to resign his chief executive officer position and to step down from his position as chairman of the board of directors of Key Tronic Corp.

Zirkle will remain a member of the board of directors and will continue to provide consulting services to the corporation.

Zirkle said, "I appreciate the support and loyalty the employees of Key Tronic have given me during the past 21 years."

The board of directors also announced today that Alfred T. Zirkle, president of the corporation, will assume the responsibilities of the chairmanship of the board of directors.

Fred Zirkle said, "I look forward to the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead for Key Tronic Corp. The outstanding employees at Key Tronic will ensure that we will both meet the challenges ahead and capitalize on our many opportunities."

Founded in 1969 by Lewis G. Zirkle, Key Tronic Corp. operates manufacturing facilities in Spokane and Cheney, Wash.; Dundalk, Ireland; and Hsinchu, Taiwan. It is a publicly held corporation, traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol KTCC.

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#90292p7512 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
TORRANCE, Calif. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: CCMM) President Raymond E. High today announced that, pending completion of its long-term financing arrangements, the company and its investment banker, R.G. Dickinson & Co., has finalized a $1.2 million bridge financing with several private investors. These funds will be used to continue the development and launch of the InterOp/7000 product line without interruption until long-term financing is in place.

High stated that the company intends to continue its efforts in arranging its long-term financial plans either through the completion of the planned private placement of securities totaling $2,500,000 to $3,500,000 or a long-term loan of equivalent value. High stated that the company has temporarily furloughed approximately 20 percent of its employees pending consummation of its

financing plans which are expected to be completed within the next two months.

High also announced that the company had restructured its board of directors. Timothy Martin of Plain City, Ohio, has been elected to the board bringing the current membership to nine. Henry David Epstein who had served as chairman and chief executive officer has relinquished those positions due to other business demands, but will continue to serve on the CCMM board.

The company, in its 24th year, is a leading independent producer of equipment and systems which are an integral part of high-speed data communications network serving a broad spectrum of users.

CONTACT: L. Ronald Trepp, V.P. finance of Computer Communications Inc., 213-320-9101

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#90292p7515 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal Corporation today said that Fred L. Hartley, chairman emeritus of the board and retired chairman, president and chief executive officer of the company, died this afternoon at his home in Palos Verdes Estates, Calif., after a long illness.

During his 50-year career with Unocal, Hartley, 73, became one of the petroleum industry's most dynamic and respected leaders. He retired as an employee of the company in 1988, but remained chairman of the board until 1989 when he was named chairman emeritus. Hartley continued to serve as a director until his death.

"Mr. Hartley was a creative engineer, an executive of vision and a man of great integrity who led Unocal for a quarter century and transformed it from a small, regional oil company to its present position as a worldwide earth resources company," said Richard J. Stegemeier, Unocal chairman, president and chief executive officer. "The dedication, ingenuity and strength of character that Mr. Hartley brought to Unocal Corporation made him an effective and forceful chief executive to lead the company through the better part of three tumultuous and challenging decades. He was a close friend who will be sorely missed by all of us who knew and worked with him."

Hartley, a native of British Columbia, Canada, joined Unocal in 1939 shortly after his graduation from the University of British Columbia with a degree in chemical engineering. He soon was promoted to research engineer at the company's Los Angeles Refinery, where he helped design, patent, and operate various petroleum processing plants.

In 1953, Hartley launched a highly successful program to sell and license Unocal's technology to other companies in the industry.

Hartley was promoted to vice president for research in 1956, and to senior vice president in 1960. He became president and chief executive officer in 1964 and chairman of the board 10 years later.

Throughout his career, Hartley pushed technological innovation. One of his early successes came from the worldwide licensing of the company's patented hydrocracking technology, known as Unicracking, which converts heavy, sulfur-laden crude oil components into clean high-grade transportation fuels.

Hartley also put the company in a position of world preeminence in the development of two alternative energy resources -- oil shale and geothermal power.

For more than 25 years, Unocal has been at the forefront of geothermal energy development. Today, the company is the world's largest producer of geothermal power, harnessing enough steam or hot water from the beneath the earth's surface to generate 24 million kilowatt-hours of electricity a day.

As for shale, Hartley led the effort to build Unocal's shale oil project at Parachute, Colorado, in the early 1980s--the first commercial-scale oil shale facility in the nation. Since 1986, the company has been shipping high-quality synthetic crude oil from its shale plant in western Colorado.

Hartley was well-known for his tenacity and dedication to building America's domestic energy security. Through recurring energy crises in the 1970s and a destructive wave of corporate raids, Hartley repeatedly warned about the dangers of short-term thinking on America's energy security and economic stability.

Hartley was an honorary director and former chairman of the American Petroleum Institute. He was also a director and former president of the California Chamber of Commerce and a director of the Alliance to Save Energy. He was a senior trustee of the California Institute of Technology and trustee of the Committee for Economic Development, and a member of the National Academy of Engineering, the Conference Board, and the British-North American Committee. In addition, Hartley held the rank of ambassador during his service as commissioner general of the United States Exhibition at the 1986 World Exposition (EXPO 86), held in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Hartley was active in cultural affairs, serving as vice president and trustee of both the Southwest Museum and the California Museum of Science and Industry a director of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association, a Life Trustee of the board of governors of The Music Center of Los Angeles, and a member of the board of overseers of the Huntington Library. During his career, Hartley was the recipient of many awards and honors.

Hartley is survived by his wife, Peggy; his daughter, Marnie, and son-in-law, Dan Gruen; and his son, Fred L. Hartley, Jr.

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of Unocal

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ELMHURST, IL. (OCT. 19) - Elm Financial Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: ELMF), the holding company of Elmhurst Federal Savings Bank and its subsidiaries, today reported earnings for the third quarter of the 1990 fiscal year.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the second full quarter of operations following the conversion of Elmhurst Federal Savings Bank to a stock company and its acquisition by Elm Financial Services, Inc., net interest income after provision for losses on loans increased to $2,795,509, compared to $2,240,818 for the same period in 1989, an increase of 24.5 percent. This increase in net interest income was directly attributable to the bank's investment of conversion proceeds in interest-bearing assets. Total net income was $708,151 compared to $1,661,767 for the same period in 1989; the third quarter results for last year included non recurring net gains of $1,720,263 on the sale of securities in connection with the restructuring of the bank's investment portfolio to facilitate interest rate risk management. Earnings per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 equaled $.31 (thirty-one cents) and, as this is the first year of operations as a stock company, prior year earnings per share calculations are not available.

Charles H. Walsh, chairman, Elm Financial Services, Inc. and Elmhurst Federal Savings Bank, stated, ''The net operating results for the third quarter of 1990, excluding comparison to the non recurring gains recorded by the bank in the third quarter of 1989, were within our expectations.''

He added, "The bank's high quality assets, its net interest margin of 2.4 percent, and a tangible capital ratio of 13.0 percent provide a strong basis to expect continued good results."

Net interest income after provisions for loan losses for the first nine months of 1990 was $7,618,367 as compared to $6,201,624 for the same period in 1989, an increase of $1,416,743. As stated, this increase was due to the benefit of the continued investment of conversion proceeds in interest earning assets during 1990. Net income was $2,003,623 compared to $2,858,476 for the same nine months in 1989; last year's results included non recurring-gains on the sale of securities of $1,972,523 versus a net loss of $97,271 on the sale of trading securities in 1990. No loan loss provisions have been deemed necessary in 1990, while a reserve of $259,000 was established in 1989.

On Oct. 1, 1990, Elm Financial Services, Inc., announced its first cash dividend in the amount of $.125 (twelve and one half cents) per share payable Oct. 25, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 15, 1990.

Elmhurst Federal Savings Bank, the principal operating entity of Elm Financial Services, Inc. has its executive offices in Elmhurst, Ill.; and operates through eight facilities, six of which are in DuPage County and two of which are in Chicago. The bank's deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

ELM FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.
OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	09/30/90	09/30/89	09/30/90	09/30/89
Interest income	$8,105,052	$7,305,236	$23,518,108	$20,708,146
Interest expense	5,309,543	5,064,418	15,899,741	14,247,522
Net interest income	2,795,509	2,240,818	7,618,367	6,460,624
Provision for loan losses	--	--	--	259,000
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	2,795,509	2,240,818	7,618,367	6,201,624
Other income: Loan servicing and other fees	49,023	43,793	138,985	179,974
Commission on sales of insurance	24,260	51,666	102,742	335,014
Net (loss) gain on sale of investment securities	(122,740)	1,720,263	(97,271)	1,972,523
Equity in earnings of joint venture	--	60,990	33,939	166,003
Other	118,636	140,031	328,146	134,247
General and administrative expenses	1,816,648	1,481,927	5,162,586	4,343,380
Income before income taxes	1,048,040	2,775,634	2,962,322	4,646,005
Provision for income taxes	339,889	1,113,867	958,699	1,787,529
Net income	$ 708,151	$1,661,767	$ 2,003,623	$2,858,476
Average shares outstanding (1)	2,279,099		2,289,932	
Earnings per common share (1)	$ 0.31		$ 0.67	

BALANCE SHEET HIGHLIGHTS
(unaudited)
AS OF

	09/30/90	12/31/89
Total assets	$341,467,889	$315,126,290

Loans receivable and mortgage-backed securities	276,410,452	244,754,694
Cash and investment securities	55,911,168	60,646,101
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	2,148,200	1,852,000
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	--	2,000,000
Other borrowings	1,620,574	14,057
Stockholder's equity	43,254,741	22,688,374
Book value per share	$ 19.37	$ N/A

(1) First quarter earnings have been excluded from the Nine Months Ended calculation as the stock conversion was completed March 23, 1990 and the information is not meaningful for earlier periods.

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IRVINE, CA. (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Gradco Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: GRCO) announced today that its recently elected board of directors convened and elected the following individuals as the new officers of the company, effective immediately: chief executive officer - Martin E. Tash; chief financial officer - Harland L. Mischler; corporate secretary - Bernard Bressler; president and chief operating officer - Joseph C. Sanchez; treasurer - James Owens; and assistant secretary and general counsel - David J. Harshman.

Gradco is the world's leading independent supplier of sorters, sheet feeders and other paper handling devices to the office automation market.

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#90292p7524 10/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO, (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Magma Power Co. (NASDAQ: MGMA), today announced record third quarter 1990 earnings. For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $11,704,000 or $.50 per share on revenues of $26,660,000, compared to net income of $7,892,000 or $.36 per share on revenues of $19,822,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The 48.3 percent increase in net income and the 34.5 percent increase in revenues for the quarter represents the twelfth consecutive quarter for which Magma reported year-to-year increases in both earnings and revenues.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Magma Power recorded net income of $21,913,000, compared to $15,302,000 for the same period in 1989 -- an increase of 43.2 percent. On a per share basis, earnings for the first nine months increased to $.93 from $.70, up 32.8 percent compared to last year. Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were up 34.5 percent to $63,581,000

from $47,257,000 in the first nine months of 1989.

Profits during the third quarter benefitted from additional revenues from the new Leathers plant and lower general and administrative expenses compared to the third quarter of 1989. Depreciation expense was up 42.6 percent over the third quarter of 1989, reflecting the depreciation from the Leathers plant. Magma's 20-year depreciation rate strengthens the company's cash flow and builds quality and strength into its balance sheet and income statement.

Magma Power holds geothermal leaseholds in California and Nevada, and manages the operation of geothermal power plants in which it owns a significant interest. Magma also receives royalties, management service fees, interest and rental income from the plants and properties.

MAGMA POWER CO. FINANCIAL SUMMARY
Third Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1990
(In thousands except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	1990	1989	Percent Change
Revenues	$26,660	$19,822	34.5
Net income	11,704	7,892	48.3
Earnings per share	$.50	$.36	
Average shares outstanding	23,576	22,004	

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990
(In thousands except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	1990	1989	Percent Change
Revenues	$63,581	$47,257	34.5
Net income	21,913	15,302	43.2
Earnings per share	$.93	$.70	
Average shares outstanding	23,571	21,985	

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#90292t3882 10/19/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (OCT. 19) TASS - PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV TODAY MET U.S. MEDIA MOGUL TED TURNER AND TOP ACTRESS JANE FONDA IN THE KREMLIN TODAY.

THEIR TALK FOCUSED ON THE ROLE OF PUBLIC ORGANISATIONS AND THEIR MEMBERS IN THE EFFORT TO CONSOLIDATE PEACE AND PROMOTE FRIENDLY RELATIONS AMONG NATIONS.

TURNER AND FONDA CONGRATULATED GORBACHEV ON BEING AWARDED THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE.

DESCRIBING THE RECENT GOODWILL GAMES IN SEATTLE, TURNER HELPED ORGANISE, AS AN IMPORTANT EVENT, GORBACHEV SUPPORTED THE IDEA OF HOLDING INTERNATIONAL FUNCTIONS TO PROMOTE COOPERATION BETWEEN STATES AND PEOPLES.

THE AMERICAN GUESTS SHOWED GREAT INTEREST IN THE EVENTS IN THE SOVIET UNION. THE AMERICANS WERE PLEASED BY GORBACHEV'S ANALYSIS OF PERESTROIKA'S CURRENT CRUCIAL PHASE. THEY NOTED THE SOVIET PRESIDENT'S OPTIMISM AND GOODWILL, HIS READINESS FOR BROAD DIALOGUE AND COOPERATION WITH THE U.S. PEOPLE AND ADMINISTRATION.

DURING THE TALK, WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES CHINGHIZ AITMATOV AND GEORGI ARBATOV, THE SIDES EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS WOULD EXPAND IN CULTURE, INFORMATION, SPORT, PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND OTHER AREAS.

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#90292u0012 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

OAKLAND, Calif. (OCT. 18) UPI - The Oakland Athletics tried Thursday to lay to rest a smoldering controversy sparked by comments concerning the play of rightfielder Jose Canseco in the club's 5-4 10-inning loss to the Cincinnati Reds in Game 2 of the World Series.

Following the game, Canseco was criticized by manager Tony La Russa for misplaying a ball in right field. Then pitcher Dave Stewart took a few verbal volleys at Canseco's unpredictability at the plate.

Canseco, who signed a $23.5 million contract this season, homered, grounded out twice, struck out twice and hit into a double play in the ninth. In the field, he had trouble cleanly fielding one hit, made a poor throw home and had a ball careen of his glove for a triple that allowed the Reds to tie the game in the eighth.

It was the latter that drew fire from La Russa.

''I think that's a play you've got to make if you're going to win the game,'' La Russa said Wednesday night. ''I don't think he (Canseco) got a very good jump. The question is why. I thought Canseco was in real good physical shape going into the game.''

Stewart, who never criticizes a teammate, said Canseco's unpredictability makes it tough for the team to rally around him.

''To me, with Jose it's gotten to wait and see,'' Stewart said. ''Like he hit the home run. For me, it becomes a so what? Now what are you going to do next?

With Carney (Lansford) you say yeah, he's on today. With Dave Henderson, yeah, he's on.

''With Rickey (Henderson), yeah, he's on. But with Jose, it's wait and see.''

To keep the controversy from exploding into a full blown distraction, La Russa held a team meeting before Thursday's practice. The A's emerge seemingly with the outbursts behind them.

''It's not a major incident,'' said Canseco. ''We don't want it to get blown out of proportion. We don't need that kind of distraction right now.''

The A's slugger, who is 1-for-7 in the Series, said he still felt he could help his ball club rebound from its 2-0 deficit.

''I'm still pretty confident (at the plate),'' Canseco said. ''I'm not 100 percent, but I still think I can help this team.''

La Russa said he felt the team was ready to go on and leave the incident behind.

''I think it was important to talk this out (in today's meeting),'' La Russa said. ''He had soem things he had to say and I felt I had some things to say.''

Canseco also got support from Rickey Henderson and Cincinnati's Eric Davis, two players who know something about being criticized.

''Jose is playing with a lot of nagging injuries (sore back and injured finger),'' Rickey Henderson said. ''When you have nagging injuries, they prevent you from preforming the way you can.''

Davis said Canseco's star status makes him an easy target.

''Superstars like Jose Canseco will always be the subject for criticism,'' Davis said. ''The criticism comes from media expectations. The superstar is always expected to do great things when this game can be very humbling.''

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#90292u0124 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 19) UPI - A resolution worked out by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council asks Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to seek the release of Western diplomats and foreigners trapped in Kuwait and to provide food aid for those who cannot leave, diplomats said.

A draft of the resolution being circulated Thursday among U.N. diplomats accused Iraq of carrying out ''unlawful and wanton'' destruction in Kuwait and of confiscating medical supplies in the emirate's hospitals.

The resolution was being discussed by governments in the United States, the Soviet Union, China, France and Britain. Diplomats said those governments have not reached agreement on all the provisions in the document and more discussions were needed.

The resolution seeks the immediate departure of the foreigners, including diplomats, wishing to leave and ensure shipments of food, water and basic needs to third-country nationals. It also asks the Iraqi government to rescind its order closing embassies in Kuwait.

The resolution asks Perez de Cuellar to help achieve those objectives, particularly the provision of food and other services to diplomatic and consular missions in Kuwait and the evacuation of third- country nationals.

But diplomats said that some non-aligned nations preferred the 15- nation council deal immediately with the killing of 21 Palestinians by Israeli forces because of Israel's opposition to a U.N. inquiry into the deaths.

The new resolution was seen as an effort by Washington to keep diplomatic pressure on Iraq and maintain the unity of the Arab coalition against the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Arab states were drawn together to condemn the Oct. 8 riots at the Temple Mount in Jerusalem and they preferred to keep the momentum on a resolution of the Israeli-Arab conflict despite their deep division on the Iraqi invasion, the diplomats said.

Diplomats said the five permanent members agreed on main points in the new resolution, which would demand that food be sent to the few remaining Western diplomats and foreigners in Kuwait.

They said only the American, British and French embassies remained open in Kuwait City in defiance of an order by Iraq, after annexing Kuwait, that all foreign embassies be closed and their personnel be transferred to Baghdad.

They said the United States and Britain do not agree on whether to press in the same resolution for an inquiry into atrocities by Iraqi troops in Kuwait and to require Iraq to pay for damage caused its military occupation, which was mainly a British demand.

One Western diplomat said the resolution was being ''kicked around'' among the five countries and more discussions will be needed. A draft of the new document was sent Wednesday night to capitals of the five countries for discussions by their governments.

Secretary of State James Baker told a news conference in Washington Tuesday that priority should be given to a ''humanitarian resolution'' dealing with

supplying the embassies with fresh food, drinking water and other necessities.

Iraq this week denied a request by de Cuellar to send a charter plane with medicine for hospitals in Kuwait. Kuwaiti officials said patients in Kuwaiti hospitals were dying because Iraqi troops confiscated all medical supplies.

Representatives from non-aligned countries were to meet with Perez de Cuellar Thursday afternoon to press for the U.N. mission to Israel and discuss further action by the council on the issue, the diplomats said.

Perez de Cuellar told reporters Thursday he is still awaiting assurances from the Israeli government that it would cooperate with his mission. He said he would send the U.N. team as soon as the assurances were received.

The Security Council last Saturday condemned the killing of 21 Palestinians by Jerusalem police and asked Perez de Cuellar to report on ''findings and conclusions'' on the incidents before Oct. 31.

The government of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir strongly protested the council resolution and criticized the United States for voting to censure Israel. It rejected any official U.N. probe on the incidents.

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#90292u0126 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (OCT. 19) UPI - Israeli soldiers shot and wounded at least 26 Palestinians who attacked a new Israeli army observation post in a Gaza Strip refugee camp in an incident that turned the U.S. crude market upward.

Hundreds of residents in the Rafah refugee camp's Shabura neighborhood threw stones and bottles Thursday at soldiers who had just set up the observation post on the roof of a three-story building, Palestinian sources said.

The residents were enraged that the army had put a post in the center of the neighborhood for the first time since the start of the 34-month- old uprising against Israeli occupation, the sources said.

The posts, a common site in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, usually are manned by several soldiers and fly an Israeli flag.

The soldiers used ''a variety of means'' to disperse the stone- throwing crowd ''including plastic bullets fired in a very controlled manner,'' the army spokesman said.

Palestinian sources said 35 people with gunshot wounds were brought to the hospital, including five in serious condition, but the army said 26 Arabs were injured in the incident.

The area was reported quiet by nightfall.

The news of the shooting helped U.S. crude prices rebound in afternoon trading after they fell more than $2 a barrel as the market's downward bias gained strength from Iraq's offer to sell oil at lower prices.

The U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery ended the day up 8 cents over Wednesday's close to $36.80 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange after trading as low as $34.40 a barrel.

Analysts had been looking for WTI to drop soon to around $34 a barrel, the Oct. 2 low price of recent weeks, once selling drove prices through the Merc's key $37.15 support level late Wednesday.

But the story of the shooting turned the market upward in late afternoon trading, said Tom Bentz, director of trading at New York's United Energy Inc.

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#90292u0128 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (OCT. 19) UPI - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir reaffirmed Israeli sovereignty over Jerusalem, saying it was a ''grave mistake'' for the U.N. Security Council to humiliate Israel in an effort to maintain unity in the U.S.-led coalition against Iraq.

Despite the veiled criticism of the United States in his comments Thursday, Shamir also attempted to play down tensions between Israel and its No. 1 ally that have increased since Israeli police killed at least 20 Palestinians on the Temple Mount nearly two weeks ago.

Last week, the U.N. Security Council, including the U.S. representative, condemned the Israeli action and ordered a delegation to Israel to investigate the violence.

Israel's Cabinet rejected cooperating with the U.N. delegation, and Israeli leaders have characterized the resolution as one-sided with its condemnation of Israel but no denouncement of stones thrown by Palestinians onto Jewish worshipers at the nearby Western Wall.

Without referring directly to the United States, Shamir denounced the condemnation of Israel, urging Israel's supporters to turn away from attacks against his country and concentrate on confronting Iraq.

''The main factor in the camp fighting evil in the Middle East made a grave mistake when it tried to buy the unity of its camp in return for humiliating and endangering the state of Israel,'' Shamir told a convention of Israel's Union of Farmers Thursday.

The prime minister repeated his opposition to the U.N. delegation, which right-wing Israelis view as an encroachment on Israel's control over Jerusalem.

In letters to President Bush and Secretary of State James Baker this week, Shamir and Foreign Minister David Levy also said Israel would continue construction in all parts of Jerusalem, Israel Radio reported.

At the same time, Israeli officials have said Israel would cooperate with the monitoring of how U.S. funds and bank guarantees for housing construction were used. Washington opposes use of its funds for projects outside Israel's pre-1967 borders, which includes East Jerusalem.

''We do not want a conflict with the United States. We do not want any political confrontations at all,'' Shamir told the convention. ''But Israel can in no way sign with its own hands on a verdict of resigning its sovereignty over Jerusalem.

''We call on our friends to turn the unfortunate leaf, to erase it and to concentrate again on the main mission of destroying the terrible danger and (concentrating on) peace and stability in this important part of the world.''

Israel annexed Arab East Jerusalem and the Old City after its troops captured the territory from Jordan during the 1967 Israeli- Arab war and declared Jerusalem the nation's capital. But most nations, including the United States, consider East Jerusalem occupied territory.

Levy said Thursday he believed tension between Israel and the United States had been reduced after Baker on Wednesday reaffirmed the need for a unified Jerusalem. Levy also indicated Israel might consider cooperating with a U.N. delegation on the Temple Mount violence if it was not connected to the Security Council resolution.

Israel agreed Thursday to cooperate with the U.N. secretary-general in preparing a report on the deaths on Jerusalem's Temple Mount. The proposal indicated a softening of Israel's opposition to a U.N. investigation on the Oct. 8 incident but stopped short of fully receiving a U.N. mission to Israel.

Shamir has appointed a three-member committee, led by a former chief of Israel's Mossad intelligence agency, to investigate the violence. On Thursday, the Israeli investigation team interviewed Border Police involved in the rioting.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	5	2	0	10	30	19
Philadelphia	5	2	0	10	30	21
New Jersey	4	2	1	9	27	25
Pittsburgh	3	3	0	6	25	25
NY Islanders	2	3	0	4	15	17
Washington	2	4	0	4	18	24

ADAMS DIVISION

Hartford	4	2	2	10	26	23
Boston	4	2	1	9	25	19
Montreal	4	3	1	9	25	28
Quebec	2	3	3	7	27	32
Buffalo	0	4	2	2	20	25

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	5	3	0	10	25	17
Detroit	4	2	2	10	30	30
St. Louis	4	3	0	8	19	23
Minnesota	1	5	1	3	17	28
Toronto	0	6	1	1	13	31

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#90292u0140 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (OCT. 19) UPI - A former intelligence officer who blew the whistle on alleged government spying on opposition groups pleaded innocent to a charge of violating state secrecy laws.

Retired Maj. Jozsef Vegvari caused a major scandal in January when he allowed a television crew to record evidence that the former communist government was still eavesdropping on dissidents and infiltrating legal opposition groups months after such practices were outlawed.

In tearful testimony Thursday on the opening day of his trial, Vegvari said he was personally involved in the surveillance but became ''disgusted'' with the work he was doing.

''What the 'company' (secret police) did was wrong and sinful'', he told a military court in Budapest after pleading innocent to charges of violating secrecy laws and neglecting his duty.

The charges were initially lodged against Vegvari in March, but a court

dismissed the case after admonishing the officer, ruling that Vegvari had served his country by revealing unconstitutional activity.

But the case was not put to rest. After parliamentary elections in April, newly elected chief prosecutor Kalman Gyorgyi decided to re-open the case, saying, ''it would constitute a dangerous precedent if a breach of the secrecy act were to go unpunished''.

If convicted, Vegvari would face of prison term of one to five years.

The 47-year-old father of two children retired from his job in April, saying he feared retaliation from his former colleagues.

For more than 20 years he was an officer of Department 3-3 of the Communist Party-controlled Secret Service, a division responsible for spying on dissident Hungarians.

Vegvari said he made the decision to expose his department's surveillance activity on Dec. 24, when he witnessed a rally by tens of thousands of Hungarians who gathered in central Budapest for a religious service commemorating victims of the anti-communist uprising in Romania.

The rally touched him so deeply he felt he could ''no longer bear my burdens '' he testified.

Through an intermediary, he contacted the then-underground television crew ''Black Box,'' which sought to collect evidence about the repressive activities of the communist regime. During the Christmas holiday, Vegvari allowed a Black Box crew to enter the secret chambers of the service and film evidence of government surveillance of opposition groups.

The crew recorded evidence of clandestine tapping of telephones and infiltration of political parties and other groups by Secret Service agents, some of which was aired on national television in January.

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#90292u0146 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 19) UPI - Iraq says it's prepared to sell oil to all companies and nations- including the United States- at 21 dollars a barrel. The offer would represent a half price deal, with oil prices on the world market hovering near 40-dollars a barrel. Baghdad's latest offer comes one month after it offered its embargoed oil free to Third World countries... but NONE are known to have accepted.

Main Street in Remington, Virginia, is littered with store roofs and broken glass following a tornado that lashed the town Thursday. Despite the damage, Remington City Councilman Leo McCarthy describes the city as ''lucky,'' saying

''NObody got hurt, NObody got killed.'' As many as five tornadoes were reported within a 50-mile radius of the nation's capital.

The Senate is working its way toward a final vote on a huge deficit reduction bill after rejecting an amendment to raise taxes on wealthy Americans. Senators voted 55-45 against considering the amendment, taking the advice of Senate leaders who warned such changes could doom the plan. A temporary funding bill to keep the government running expires at midnight tomorrow.

Charles Keating WON'T be spending the night in a jail cell, after a federal judge reduced his bail Thursday in Los Angeles. The savings and loan scandal figure was freed Thursday night after a judge ruled a lower court was wrong to set a five-Million-dollar bail for the former owner of the failed Licoln Savings. Keating... who faces trial next month on fraud and securities charges... saw his bail reduced to 300-thousand dollars, which his family posted Thursday night.

The mother of a third-grader in Phildelphia says her son's dream of becoming a doctor is suddenly more real... as well as the dreams of his classmates. A developer told third-graders at an elementary school in one of Philadelphia's poorer sections that he'll pay their college costs if they get through high school. In the words of Robert Toll- ''it's easy to give away money once you have it.''

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#90292u0158 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

DUMFRIES, SCOTLAND (OCT. 19) UPI - A small piece of printed circuit board was the first clue that Pan Am Flight 103 had been blown up by a bomb hidden in a radio-cassette player, an investigator told a disaster inquiry.

The fragment was found by aviation accident investigators as they reconstructed a shattered baggage container from the Boeing 747, which was destroyed Dec. 21, 1988, killing 270 people.

Michael Charles, the principal aviation investigator, told a Scottish inquiry Thursday that he said colleague Peter Claiden found a buckled piece of the container's metal skin as it was being rebuilt in Farnborough, England.

''As he gently pried it open, he found inside a piece of printed circuit board '' Charles said.

Forensic scientists examined the piece and ''related it to a particular type of radio-cassette player which had been fitted with an improvised explosive device,'' Charles said.

''Once we heard this we realized it could not be a huge bomb. It was of concern to us that such a relatively small device could cause such total

destruction. We knew we had a lot more work to do.''

The device blasted a 20-square-inch hole in the outer skin of the forward cargo hold of the aircraft.

The ''catastropic disintegration'' of the plane took just 46.5 seconds - from when the aircraft's black box recorded an explosion to when fallen wreckage caused shockwaves that registered on seismic equipment, Charles said.

The leader of the 15-member team of investigators said that on Christmas Day, four days after the crash, searchers found pieces of a suitcase and the base of a baggage container with pitting. Explosive and metallurgy experts were convinced this indicated a high-energy explosion.

Charles announced there was evidence of an explosion on Dec. 28, 1988.

He also said a Glasgow-bound shuttle was lucky to avoid a mid-air collision with wreckage from the Pan Am jumbo over Lockerbie.

The British Airways jet from Heathrow was descending when it passed near the scene of the crash. Radar pictures showed it passed just beneath the edge of the area of debris from Flight 103.

''That is fortuitous, Charles said. ''Had the shuttle been further to the west it might have been a different story. There could have been ''ent story. There could ha

The Scottish inquiry is considering the circumstances of the bombing, while police and intelligence agencies are seeking those who built and planted the device.

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#90292u0182 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - In the latest of a series of daring operations, California surgeons saved the life of one of two fetuses with a deformed lung by performing surgery in the womb, it was reported.

Although doctors previously performed successful operations on fetuses for other ailments, the new cases are the first in which surgery was done for a condition called congenital cystic adenomatoid malformation or CCAM, the researchers said Thursday.

''Open fetal surgery has been successful in treatment of otherwise fatal anatomical abnormalities, and we now add appropriately selected cases of CCAM to those congenital lesions that are amenable to fetal surgical therapy,'' the University of California San Francisco surgeons wrote in the British medical journal The Lancet.

CCAM is a rare disorder in which damaging cysts grow in part of the lungs of developing fetuses. In mild cases, babies can undergo surgery after they are born to have the malformed lung section removed. In severe cases, however, the malformation can kill the developing fetus and endanger the life of the mother.

In the successful case, a 25-year-old pregnant woman was discovered to be carrying a female fetus stricken with CCAM and agreed to undergo the surgery in the 23rd week of the baby's development last spring.

The 72-minute procedure involved making an incision in the mother's uterus and pulling the left arm and chest of the fetus was out through the opening. Surgeons then cut open the chest of the fetus, surgically removed the malformed lung lobe, put the fetus back in the womb and closed the incision.

The baby was delivered through Caesarean section seven weeks later and was doing well five months later, the doctors reported.

A similar procedure was earlier attempted on a fetus 27 weeks into development being carried by a 24-year-old women, the doctors reported. But the child died about a week later after the mother's condition deteriorated and the child had to be delivered by Caesarean.

Dr. Michael Harrison, a professor of surgery who led the team, attributed the failure in that case to the fetus being sicker by the time the case was diagnosed.

The same team previously has successfully performed similar surgery to save the lives of fetuses stricken with a blocked urinary tract and a condition known as congenital diaphragmatic hernias.

But Harrison cautioned in a telephone interview that such procedures are far routine and are only performed when there are no alternatives.

''We're still very early in our experience. We're still feeling our way along.I don't think people should think this is routine,'' he said.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASEBALL

WORLD SERIES
Game 3 - Cincinnati at Oakland, 8 p.m.

HOCKEY

Pittsburgh at Buffalo, 7:35 p.m.
NY Rangers at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.
NY Islanders at Washington, 8:05 p.m.
Vancouver at Winnipeg, 8:35 p.m.
Boston at Edmonton, 9:35 p.m.
Hartford at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Filderstadt, Germany - $350,000 women's Porsche Grand Prix
Grand Prix de Lyon, France - $500,000 men's tournament
Vienna - $250,000 men's indoor tournament
San Juan, Puerto Rico -$100,000 women's Puerto Rico Open

YACHTING

Argentina - Lechner Class World Championships.

GOLF

Lake Buena Vista, Fla. - $1 million PGA Walt Disney Classic
Napa, Calif. - $500,000 Transamerica Senior Golf Championship.

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#90292u0205 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (OCT. 19) UPI - The Miami Dolphins did it with defense in Thursday night's 17-10 victory over the New England Patriots, overcoming an offense that tried to give the game away.

''The way we played offensively was about as bad as you can play and still survive,'' Miami Coach Don Shula said.

The offense managed only one touchdown on Sammie Smith's 2-yard crash over the middle and Pete Stoyanovich's 47-yard field goal. The Miami special teams scored on Mark Higgs' blocked punt and 19-yard return.

While the Dolphin attack was managing only 50 yards on the ground and 279 in the air, the defense was holding the Pats (1-5) to even lower numbers. New England rushed for only 49 yards and quarterback Marc Wilson passed for 148.

''Our defense I thought really did a great job and and kept battling them,'' Shula said.

Miami (5-1) lost the ball in the first half on fumbles by tight end Ferrell Edmunds, and running backs Sammie Smith, Troy Stradford and Marc Logan. In addition, Dan Marino threw an interception.

But New England (1-5) netted only 34 yards in the first half. Wilson completed only three passes in 10 attempts for 20 yards in the first two quarters.

''Without a doubt, when the offense is struggling like that, especially turning the ball over, it's going to put pressure on the defense,'' cornerback Tim McKyer said. ''Our job is to keep people from scoroing regardless of what kind of circumstances you have to overcome and we managed to get it done tonight.''

The Patriots found their offense after intermission and closed to within a touchdown with 6:18 left when Wilson and George Adams hooked up for a touchdown on fourth-and-goal from the 4. It was the second fourth- down conversion of the 53-yard drive.

Earlier, the Patriots advanced on fourth-and-two at the Miami 21 when McKyer was called for pass interference on receiver Greg McMurtry.

Later, the Patriots tried again on fourth-and-one with 3:25 left in the game. But this time Wilson's quarterback sneak was stopped by linebacker David Griggs and end T.J. Turner.

''A quarterback sneak is hard to stop because they know it and only have to get a foot or two, and you're guessing sometimes,'' Miami linebacker John Offerdahl said. ''But the linemen did a great job. They're the ones that have to make that play and they just bottled them up.''

The Patriots only score in the first half came on Jason Staurovsky's 41-yard field goal. Stoyanovich kicked a 47-yarder for Miami in addition to Higgs' blocked punt and 19-yard return and Smith's score.

Staurovsky's field goal came at the end of a 45-yard drive that started when cornerback Ronnie Lippett's second fumble recovery in four plays.

In addition to Lippett's two recoveries, another former University of Miami defensive back, Fred Marion, recovered two and intercepted a pass.

''When we had chances, we couldn't take advantage of it,'' New England Coach Rod Rust said. ''When we ran the ball they beat us, and when we passed they covered us and when we were open we dropped it.''

Stoyanovich's field goal in the second quarter tied the score at 3-3. It came after the Dolphins drove 35 yards from their own 35 to the New England 30. Two minutes later, Higgs broke free up the middle and blocked Brian Hansen's punt, picked up the ball at the 19 and raced untouched into the end zone.

Smith's touchdown came with 2:03 left in the third quarter. It was set up when Marino zipped a pass past safety Brian Hutson into the hands of Mark Clayton

up the middle for 36 yards to the 2.

''They made some good plays, but we stopped ourselves,'' Patriot receiver Irving Fryar said.

Last week Fryar was charged with weapons violations during a brawl outside a Rhode Island bar. The Patriots problems started before then, when five players were accused of sexual harassment of a woman reporter in their locker room.

''The off-the-field problems have bothered us, but we still had a chance,'' Fryar said.

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#90292u0226 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 19) UPI - A final vote is expected early Friday morning in the Senate, where lawmakers are debating the Senate's version of the deficit-reduction bill. Senators Thursday rejected an amendment calling for higher taxes for the rich... and a lower gasoline tax increase of six cents a gallon. A temporary funding bill to keep the government running expires at midnight Friday.

France says it does NOT want to wait for the outcome of its investigation into the reported executions of soldiers who backed a now defeated general in Lebanon. The Paris government on Thursday formally asked the United Nations to prevent more Syrian-approved killings of troops loyal to Lebanese General Michel Aoun. Dozens of Aoun's soldiers were reportedly executed despite Aoun's agreeing to all the demands of Lebanon's Syrian-backed president.

Savings and loan scandal figure Charles Keating is out on bail after spending a month jailed on securities and fraud charges. A federal judge on Thursday reduced Keating's bail from five-Million dollars to 300- thousand, saying a lower court set the higher bail in an arbitrary fashion. The former owner of the failed Lincoln Savings is scheduled to go on trial next month.

Israeli troops fired on Palestinians once again Thursday, wounding at least 26 Arabs who attacked a new Israeli army observation post in the Gaza Strip. Palestinian sources say residents of a refugee camp were angry because the post is the first put up by the army in the neighborhood since the start of the 34-month-old uprising against Israeli occupation.

China is acknowledging its first AIDS deaths of mainland Chinese. The Beijing government reports two men died during the past few months of infections related to the H-I-V virus. But officials minimized the overall health threat of the fatal virus, saying they can- quoting here- ''easily control'' its spread. China had dismissed AIDS as a foreign problem through much of the 1980's.

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#90292u0277 10/19/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 19) UPI - The Philadelphia Flyers and Detroit Red Wings both missed the playoffs last season, but this season both clubs are off to fast starts, thanks in large part to home cooking.

Both teams remained undefeated at home Thursday night when Philadelphia took a 5-4 decision from the Quebec Nordiques and Detroit racked up a 5-2 victory over the Montreal Canadiens.

The Flyers were 17-19-4 at the Spectrum in 1989-90, when they missed the playoffs for the first time in 18 years.

''One of our goals was to re-establish our home ice advantage,'' said Scott Mellanby, who recorded a pair of assists against the Nordiques. ''We didn't have it last year and we had a losing record. We wanted to let teams know that when they come in here, they're going to have their work cut out for them.''

Norm Lacombe broke a 4-4 tie with his third goal of the season. He fired a wrist shot past Quebec goaltender John Tanner at 9:50 of the final period after the Nordiques gave the puck away in their own zone.

''The puck came loose and I went out toward the blue line,'' Lacombe said. ''I turned around, saw there was a screen and shot it past the goaltender's leg.''

Joe Sakic scored two goals and assisted on a third for Quebec, which lost for the first time in five games (2-1-2).

''We didn't play well in the first period but after that we got things going '' Sakic said. ''Last year, we wouldn't have kept on fighting until the end. This year, there's a different attitude on the team.''

At Detroit, The Red Wings won their fourth straight at home to move into a first-place tie with the Chicago Blackhawks in the Norris Division. Detroit's No. 1 line of Gallant, Steve Yzerman and Dave Barr figured in three of the goals. Yzerman had two goals and an assist and Barr had three assists.

''You can't play just .500 hockey at home because it's too hard to win at the other arenas,'' Barr said.

Last year the Red Wings finished 13th in the league in home winning percentage.

''If you can win at home you'll be a success in the league,'' said Detroit coach Bryan Murray. ''We have confidence at home now. I've had it the other way and it's tough when you can't win at home.''

Elsewhere in the NHL, it was Chicago 3, Toronto 0; and St. Louis 4, Calgary 3.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Blackhawks 3, Maple Leafs 0

At Chicago, Ed Belfour recorded his first NHL shutout and Keith Brown assisted on a pair of goals to guide Chicago over still winless Toronto.Belfour, 5-2 this season, faced just 20 shots, but 10 of them came in the first period when he was forced to make several good saves. The Blackhawks outshot their opponents 49-20 for the game, including 21- 4 in the final period.Chicago got its goals from Jocelyn Lemieux, Troy Murray and Jeremy Roenick, with Brown assisting on the first and last.

Blues 4, Flames 3

At Calgary, Brett Hull scored a pair of goals to lead the St. Louis Blues to their first victory in nine games against the Flames dating back to Jan. 2, 1988. Hull scored his 6th and 7th goals of the season to beat his former team for the first time since he was traded to St. Louis in the 1987-88 season.Trailing 4-0 with just over five minutes gone in the final period, the Flames mounted a comeback on goals by Sergei Makarov, Theoren Fleury and Paul Ranheim.scored 16 seconds apart midway through the period, cutting the margin to 4-3.Paul MacLean and Sergio Momesso also scored for St. Louis.

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#90292u0297 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 19) UPI - Japan seized a record 30.2 pounds of cocaine in 1989, a 64-fold increase over the preceding year, the Justice Ministry reported Friday.

The report said the largest single haul of 2.6 pounds smuggled from Colombia was made at the western port city of Kobe in August.

The annual report on crimes warned that there were indications that cocaine abuse will continue to grow in Japan.

The ministry said the 1989 figure compared with 3.6 pounds in 1987 and 4.6 pounds in 1988.

The report also said the seizure of heroin amounted to 60.9 pounds in 1989, up from 30.1 pounds in 1988, while that of marijuana more than doubled to 1,000 pounds from 436 pounds.

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#90292u0301 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 19) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

The Senate passed a bipartisan deficit-reduction bill early this morning. Now differences will have to be worked out between the Senate bill and a version the House passed earlier. Conferees plan to meet later today. The White House says President Bush will sign a new stop- gap funding bill that will keep the government running through October 24th.

Former savings-and-loan executive Charles Keating is out of jail. Keating walked out of a jail in Los Angeles last night, a few hours after a federal judge reduced his bail from five-Million to 300-thousand dollars. Keating is charged in the collapse of Lincoln Savings, which was seized by federal regulators last year.

Violence hit the Illinois campaign for governor last night. An aide to Democratic candidate Neil Hartigan says a shot was fired at Hartigan's office in Springfield. NO one was hurt and damage was minor. State police say someone called the Executive Mansion to say Republican candidate Jim Edgar should also expect trouble.

An Energy Department advisory panel is critical of the rush to re- start the Rocky Flats nuclear weapons plant in Colorado. Documents show the department's panel thinks top officials are more interested in resuming production than in assuring safety improvements at the plutonium-processing plant. Rocky Flats has been closed for 10 months.

China's poor record on human rights has caused the House to vote to end China's most-favored-trade status. The bill now goes to the Senate. But President Bush likely will veto it. He strongly supports giving China privileged trade status with the United States.

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#90292u0357 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

GOLDEN, COLO. (OCT. 19) UPI - A moderate earthquake measuring 4.7 on the Richter scale struck the Canadian province of Quebec early Friday and was felt in parts of the northeastern United States, officials said.

The quake hit at 3:02 a.m. EDT and the epicenter was located near the village of Mont-Laurier, about 70 miles north of Ottawa, and there were no reports of damage or injuries, the National Earthquake Information Center said.

''This is a moderate earthquake,'' said Pat Jorgenson, a spokeswoman for the Earthquake Center, which is run by the U.S. Geological Survey in Golden, Colo.

''It probably awakened a lot of people; 4.7, especially in that kind of country, is a pretty significant tremor,'' Jorgenson said, adding the type of rock in the eastern part of the continent tends to amplify shockwaves from quakes.

The quake was felt in Toronto, Quebec City and Montreal in Canada and Buffalo and Albany, N.Y., and Burlington, Vt., she said.

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#90292u0365 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - A 16-year-old boy was shot in the mouth while playing his flute in his Bronx bedroom, police said Friday.

Amari Foster, 16, was sitting in his bedroom at in Soundview when the bullet entered his room through his 18th floor window about 11 p.m. Thursday and struck him in the mouth, said Sgt. Ed Burns, a police spokesman.

Amari was listed in good condition at Jacobi Hospital, he said.

''He was sitting in bed in his bedroom playing his flute when he was struck by a bullet that came crashing through the window,'' Burns said.

The bullet shattered the glass, the sergeant said.

It was not known whether the shot was random or intended, he said.

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#90292u0378 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (OCT. 19) UPI - The government Friday acknowledged the first two deaths of mainland Chinese attributed to AIDS, one of them a drug user, and a senior health official warned the disease ''has become a reality in China.''

The Ministry of Public Health, in statements carried by the state-run China Daily and the official Xinhua news agency, reported the two AIDS carriers, both men, died this year of infections related to the HIV virus.

Although foreigners and overseas Chinese have been stricken by AIDS in China, it was the first time deaths of Chinese citizens on the mainland were directly attributed to acquired immune deficiency syndrome since Beijing began reporting the disease in the mid-1980s.

Dai Zhicheng, deputy director of the Public Health Ministry's Department of Preventive Medicine, said one death was an intravenous drug user who ''contracted the virus from a communal needle'' in southern Yunnan Province and died last February.

The second, a Beijing resident, contracted the virus ''via sexual contact'' and died in August, Dai said. He added there were three previous AIDS cases reported in China, all of them foreigners.

''AIDS has become a reality in China and it may develop into a serious problem

'' Dai said.

''Since there are no effective medical cures or preventive inoculations for AIDS at present, increased awareness and education are the only ways available to halt the spread of AIDS,'' he said.

But as in the past, officials also tried to minimize the overall risk despite a tiny number of detected carriers in a population of more than 1.1 billion people. Dai claimed Chinese health authorities had several ''advantages'' in combatting AIDS.

''The efficiency of China's public health system is such as to be able to easily control the spread of the disease,'' he said.

Since 1985, China has reported only 446 AIDS carriers, 68 of them foreigners. Of the 378 mainland Chinese carriers, 368 were found in Yunnan, the area of China worst affected by drug use because it borders the opium-producing ''Golden Triangle'' region.

Four Chinese hemophiliacs were known to have contracted the AIDS virus from blood products imported from the United States. Two later died, but their deaths were blamed on other health problems.

Dai also noted the disease appeared later in China than in other countries and that most of the detected carriers are concentrated in Yunnan and are ''therefore easily monitored.''

Western health officials, however, have in the past criticized a slow official awakening to the AIDS threat in China. The government dismissed AIDS as a foreign problem through much of the 1980s and only began to respond seriously in the past three years.

The delay was partly due to official reluctance to admit social problems China claimed to have eradicated after the 1949 communist revolution such as drug abuse and homosexuality, both high-risk and both practiced secretly in a repressive society.

China reported this week that drug cases have jumped dramatically this year over last year, and put the number of addicts nationwide at 70,000, the first time such a high figure has been acknowledged.

Drug abuse in the country, particularly in the south, has risen as smugglers from the Golden Triangle - the borders of Laos, Burma and Thailand to the south of Yunnan Province - have increasingly shipped opium and heroin through southern China to Hong Kong.

The China Daily said the government is planning to form a joint medical team with the World Health Organization next month to begin a special AIDS-control

effort in Yunnan.

At the same time, Dai said China recorded 270,000 cases of venereal disease in the first eight months of this year including 40,000 people who registered at hospitals for treatment of syphilis and gonorrhea.

He said the latter figure was at most only a fourth of the actual number of those infected.

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#90292u0428 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 19) UPI - The ruling National Party irrevocably ratified a decision to open its ranks to all races Friday after 76 years of exclusively white membership.

The fourth and last annual provincial congress of the party, in Pretoria, confirmed motions passed by the other congresses that the Nationalists accept all races - another step in President Frederik de Klerk's program of racial reforms.

''We can now say that all four congresses have finally prepared the National Party for the new South Africa,'' de Klerk said. ''The National Party and South Africa are now on the moral high ground.''

De Klerk first proposed the party open its ranks at the Aug. 31 Natal congress noting, ''Power-sharing of necessity implies joint decision- making on matters of common interest in joint constitutional structures.''

At the opening of the two-day Transvaal congress Thursday night, de Klerk warned the official opposition ultra-rightist Conservative Party against continuing its unspecified passive resistance campaign to his reforms.

He called such action ''absolutely unacceptable.''

Foreign Minister Roelof ''Pik'' Botha put the motion on opening membership to the congress Friday during debate on other issues. As at the other congresses, the motion was unanimously approved by the 1,500 delegates.

Party insiders speculate membership will officially be opened by early next year. The African National Congress and other anti-apartheid groups have said blacks will not join in large numbers but analysts have noted this would not diminish the significance of open membership.

The Nationalists came to power in 1948 on a platform of protecting white interests and ensuring exclusively white rule.

But de Klerk vowed to bring power sharing to the country when he launched his

racial reforms in February.

He has legalized the black opposition, released scores of political prisoners, scrapped a key discriminatory law and promised to abolish the rest and held two rounds of talks with the ANC that have cleared the way to fullpower-sharing negotiations.

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#90292u0481 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 19) UPI - The ruling Conservative Party suffered an upset defeat in an election to replace a member of Parliament who was killed by the Irish Republican Army, and polls Friday reflected the party's weakness in the run-up to the next general election.

David Bellotti, a Liberal Democrat, was the upset victor late Thursday in the election in Eastbourne, a Conservative stronghold for 84 years, over Conservative Richard Hickmett.

Turnout in the election, about 50 miles (80 km) south of London, was estimated at 60 percent.

Bellotti gathered 23,415 votes to Hickmett's 18,865. Other candidates, including Labor and Green party candidates, gathered 2,861 votes.

The parliamentary seat was opened when Conservative MP Ian Gow, a close friend of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, was killed by an IRA bomb in July.

The Conservatives had campaigned hard on a theme of law and order, emphasizing the fight against terrorism. Observers commenting in Friday's newspapers said the surprise victory for Bellotti indicated a backlash against the campaign tactics.

Also hurting the Conservatives was a downturn in the economy, with 10.9 percent inflation, the highest since 1982, and an increased number of business failures. Unemployment was 5.8 percent in September.

The failure of the ruling party to hold Eastbourne was reflected in polls showing the Conservatives had slipped 10 points behind the Labor Party in the run-up to a general election, which must be called by mid- 1992.

According to a British Broadcasting Corp. poll, Labor is supported by 47 percent of the public, while the Conservatives rate 37 percent. The Liberal Democrats, despite their win in Eastbourne, held only 10 percent of those polled, while the Green Party garnered 3 percent.

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#90292u0556 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 19) UPI - Stock prices on the newly buoyant Tokyo Stock Exchange recorded their fifth straight gain Friday in the heaviest trading of the year.

The blue chip Nikkei average of 225 selective issues, which climbed 507.72 points Thursday, capped the week of strong performances with a 114.41-point gain to 24,481.49.

The closely watched index catapulted 2,091.33 points, or 9.3 percent, for the week.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares forged ahead 32.76 points to 1,816.29, outdoing its 30.19 point performance Thursday.

Volume was the heaviest this year as an estimated 1.1 billion shares changed hands, up from Thursday's 740 million shares.

Advances outpaced declines 801 to 221, while 97 issues remained unchanged.

On the Tokyo Foreign Exchange, the U.S. dollar rebounded slightly against the Japanese yen on position adjustment buying ahead of the weekend.

The Bank of Japan reported the dollar closed at 125.25 yen, up 0.85 yen from 124.40 yen on Thursday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices surged on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as investors' confidence in the market continued to fuel higher volumes.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which slipped 8.02 points Thursday, climbed 41.43 points to 2,991.95. For the week the key index gained 76.69 points.

Among the narrower indexes, financials added 0.28 points, industrials rose 48.59, utilities gained 56.43 and properties surged 78.42 points.

An estimated 1.08 billion shares changed hands, well above the 797 million shares traded Thursday.

In Singapore, stock prices continued to move higher in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange, encouraged by the fifth straight gain in Tokyo.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which gained 9.76 points Thursday, climbed 28.32 points to 1,139.85. For the week, the closely watched index gained 45.48 points.

The broader-based All Singapore Index, which added 1.80 points Thursday, rose 7.15 points to 313.84 and gained 8.76 points for the week.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 48.2 million shares, well above the

28.1 million shares changing hands Thursday.

In Bangkok, prices close slightly higher on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

In Seoul, stock prices on the Korean Exchange rose sharply for the third straight session.

In Australia, prices closed higher in brisk trading on the Sydney Exchange.

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#90292u0601 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 19) UPI - The budget goes back to a congressional conference panel today. The Senate passed its deficit-reduction plan early today, three days after the House approved its own bill. The Senate plan contains a gasoline tax increase but NO income tax increase. The House plan does just the opposite. A conference committee meets later today to try to work out the differences. President Bush favors the Senate plan. .

The government will have the money to operate until Wednesday. The White House says President Bush will sign a new stop-gap spending bill that will kick in when the current temporary funding bill expires at midnight.

A moderate earthquake measuring four-point-seven on the Richter scale occurred in the Canadian province of Quebec early this morning. It also was felt in northeastern states. The National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colorado, says the center of the quake was about 70 miles north of Ottawa. There are NO reports of damage or injuries.

The Soviet Parliament received President Gorbachev's economic plan today. The long-awaited proposal replaces the 500- day plan Gorbachev rejected earlier this week. Gorbachev's plan calls for allowing the 15 Soviet republics to choose any formula they want, including the 500-day plan. Observers predict a formal vote on Gorbachev's proposal tomorrow.

European Community officials say the E-C has turned its sights away from quick financial aid to the Soviet Union... and toward helping other countries of Eastern Europe that are being hurt by the Persian Gulf crisis. A special E-C summit meeting in Rome next weekend is likely to focus on the former Soviet satellites.

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#90292u0652 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 18: Purchases of 343,738 shares and sales of 491,365 shares including 21,859 shares sold short.

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#90292u0661 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

BERLIN (OCT. 19) UPI - Volkswagen AG plans to invest $2.8 billion for an automotobile production plant in eastern Germany, the largest injection of private capital in what used to be communist East Germany, company officials said Friday.

Most of the $2.8 billion will be used to complete a plant at Mosel near the southeastern town of Chemnitz that should be in production by 1994, VW Chairman Carl Hahn said.

An agreement was signed late Thursday by Hahn and officials of the former East German auto cooperative IFA Pkw AG. The deal was also signed by the trust fund administration that supervises the privatization of about 8,000 former state-owned East German firms.

The investment will also be used to restructure IFA subsidiaries and renew production lines.

Hahn said the subsidiary at Mosel will begin production by 1994, eventually producting 250,000 Golf automobiles annually.

He said Volkswagen, the second largest European auto manufacturer after the Italian giant Fiat, plans to create 8,000 new production jobs and another 6,500 service positions.

Volkswagen was one of the first West German companies to invest in East Germany after the ouster of the Stalinist leadership last fall, while other firms hesitated to risk their money before German unification Oct. 3.

The government recently created financial incentives for companies to enter joint ventures, buy firms or seek partners in the new part of the Federal Republic to speed up economic recovery.

Volkswagen, for example, is eligible for 33 percent in government subsidies for $2.8 billion investment.

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#90292u0664 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

KAMPALA, Uganda (OCT. 19) UPI - Rebels fighting a 20-day war in the east African state of Rwanda have consolidated their grip on the north of the country, Ugandan newspapers reported Friday.

The rebels of the Rwandese Patriotic Front, led by a former Ugandan army commander, crashed across the Ugandan border Sept. 30 vowing to depose

Rwandese President Juvenal Habyarimana. Since then, Belgium, France, Zaire, the European Community, Uganda, Tanzania and Kenya have joined efforts to stop the war.

The northeastern town of Nyagatare, 50 miles north of the capital Kigali, fell to the rebels after two weeks of fierce fighting, Ugandan state-owned newspaper New Vision reported. It said hundreds had died in the fight for the isolated rural town, including civilians.

However, Rwandese ambassador to Kenya, Cyprien Habimana, told a news conference in Nairobi that his government believed there were no civilians left in the town and reports of government troops killing civilians were without foundation.

''I strongly deny that,'' he said. ''It didn't happen.''

The rebels also consolidated their hold on the town of Gabiro, 15 miles to the south, a rebel officer told journalists at the Ugandan border.

According to Rwandese government figures, the rebels now outnumber government forces by four to one. Habimana said there were 20,000 rebels in his country, mostly long-term refugees who had deserted from the Ugandan army.

Meanwhile, intensive diplomatic efforts to resolve the crisis continued, with President Habyarimana in Paris to press home a call for a European monitoring force to be sent to his country, and Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens still in east Africa after shuttling to Uganda and Rwanda's southern neighbor Burundi seeking a peace formula.

Rwanda has said it will talk to the rebels and liberalize its one- party political system if a ceasefire is agreed.

The root of Rwanda's problem, according to both Habyarimana and Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni, lies in the fact that up to half a million Rwandese are currently refugees outside their country - in Zaire, Uganda, Tanzania, Burundi, Kenya and even in Senegal in west Africa.

Rwanda, the most densely populated country in Africa, is likely to undergo a major famine this fall and has appealed for its neighbors to keep those refugees they have while repatriation deals are worked out under the auspices of the U.N. High Commission for Refugees.

Most of the refugees, from the minority Tutsi tribe, fled in the early 1960s from tribal massacres which now threaten to repeat themselves on a grand scale in Rwanda.

Apart from reports of government massacres in the past two weeks, there have also been widespread incidents of violence among the civilian population since

the rebel invasion.

Both Rwanda and Burundi have a history of tension between the majority Hutu tribe, now ruling in Rwanda, and the economically powerful Tutsi who still control Burundi.

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#90292u0672 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 19) UPI - The Senate today passed a budget plan that would raise the gasoline tax by nine-and-a-half cents a gallon, and increase costs for Medicare. Senators will try to reconcile their plan with a House budget when a conference committee meets later today.

The Soviet Parliament today gave landslide approval to the compromise economic reform plan of President Gorbachev. Gorbachev took the opportunity to rip opposition by Russian Republic President Boris Yeltsin.

Israel says its soldiers fired plastic bullets at a crowd of Palestinians who attacked a new observation post at a refugee camp in the Gaza Strip yesterday. The Israeli army said 26 Arabs were injured... but Palestinians said 35 people were hurt, five in serious condition.

France has asked the United Nations chief to prevent executions such as those reported in Beirut. Lebanese and Syrian forces have reportedly executed dozens of troops loyal to defeated Lebanese Christian General Michel Aoun.

Hurricane Nana has prompted a hurricane watch for Bermuda. Nana is heading north on a course that would put it close to Bermuda tomorrow morning. That may require a hurricane warning to be issued today.

Government doctors urge UNvaccinated American adults at risk of contracting flu, measles, hepatitis B and bacterial pneumonia to get vaccinations. Federal health officials recommend flu shots every year for anyone susceptible to the disease... especially the elderly.

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#90292u0673 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

JOLIET, ILL. (OCT. 19) UPI - A 25-year-old Mississippi man was charged with murder Friday after a gang-related shooting on Joliet's East Side that left two men dead and three other people injured, two critically.

Watch Commander Phil Ragusa said Michael Blackwell of Hattiesburg, Miss., was charged with two counts of murder after his arrest Thursday night.

The identities of the victims were not released but the injured included two men and a woman.

''There was a party going on at a residence,'' Ragusa said. ''Two rival gang members lived there, one upstairs, one downstairs. They had been on talking terms in the past but apparently something occured.''

Ragusa said gang members from the downstairs residence went upstairs to confront their rival when the shooting occurred.

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#90292u0678 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (OCT. 19) UPI - Opposition politicians called Friday for the U.N. Security Council to force Syrian troops out of Lebanon as the storm over reports of summary executions of soldiers of defeated Lebanese Christian Gen. Michel Aoun reached fever pitch in France.

Bernard Stasi, vice president of the Social Democratic Center party, said a decision Thursday by the Quai d'Orsay to call for U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to intervene to prevent further slayings by Syrian forces was ''a good initiative. But one must go further than that. That is not sufficient.''

''One must summon the U.N. Security Council to demand the immediate withdrawal of Syrian forces from the Christian enclave, but also to demand the retreat as rapidly as possible of all foreign troops, Syrian and Israeli, from all Lebanese territory,'' said Stasi in an interview on RTL radio.

Stasi accused the United States of giving Syria a free hand in Lebanon in return for Syrian support against Iraq and said he expected the United States to oppose U.N. efforts to curb Damascus.

There are reports up to 100 soldiers under Aoun's command, until he surrendered Saturday and took refuge in the French Embassy, were rounded up by Syrian troops and shot, many after being bound hand and foot.

President Francois Mitterrand gave an hour-long audience Friday to opposition Republican Party leader Francois Leotard, a self-styled standard bearer of the cause of the Maronite Christians in Lebanon who have traditionally been defended by France in the former French colony.

Leotard later accused Mitterrand of supporting Syrian-backed Lebanese President Elias Hrawi and challenged the ''legitimacy'' of the Hrawi government.

Leotard called for free elections in Lebanon as soon as possible and said France should use ''the considerable leverage'' at its disposal because of commercial ties to rein in Syrian President Hafez Assad, who he called a ''dictator.''

Le Figaro newspaper headlined its front-page report of the executions, ''The Crime of the Victors.''

''With the revelations on the massacres of Beirut, one has suddenly reached the limits of Realpolitik,'' said the conservative newspaper in an editorial.

''After having obtained the green light from the international community to put an end to the Christian stronghold, Syria has believed itself authorized to slaughter, after their surrender, the soldiers of General Aoun.

''The massacre of his faithful by Syrian soldiers has in any case demonstrated one thing,'' Le Figaro contended. ''Aoun was right.''

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(OCT. 19) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	pc	71	47	....
Anchorage	sn	36	28	....
Asheville	sy	65	30	.32
Atlanta	sy	69	44	....
Baltimore	sy	59	35	.56
Billings	sh	53	28	....
Birmingham	sy	70	41	....
Bismarck	cy	53	29	....
Boston	pc	60	37	1.21
Brownsville	pc	84	65	....
Buffalo	w	45	32	.91
Burlington Vt.	sh	49	30	1.50
Charleston S.C.	sy	71	45	.04
Charlotte	sy	68	37	1.05
Chicago	sy	53	40	.01
Cincinnati	sy	55	34	....
Cleveland	cy	49	34	.26
Columbus Ohio	pc	51	32	....
Dallas	sy	74	54	....
Denver	pc	72	38	....
Des Moines	pc	60	43	....
Detroit	sy	52	33	.01
Duluth	pc	47	35	....
El Paso	sy	81	56	....
Evansville	sy	62	37	....
Fargo	cy	48	29	....
Hartford	pc	60	33	.60
Honolulu	sy	88	69	....

Houston sy	78	53	....
Indianapolis sy	57	35	....
Jackson Miss. sy	74	42	....
Jacksonville f	78	55	....
Kansas City w	68	52	....
Las Vegas pc	77	55	....
Little Rock sy	70	45	....
Los Angeles pc	72	63	....
Louisville sy	60	36	....
Memphis sy	69	44	....
Miami Beach pc	87	74	....
Milwaukee sy	52	38	.01
Minneapolis pc	54	40	....
Nashville sy	65	36	....
New Orleans sy	75	56	....
New York pc	56	40	.86
Oklahoma City sy	74	53	....
Omaha w	70	40	....
Orlando pc	85	68	....
Philadelphia w	60	39	.68
Phoenix pc	88	65	....
Pittsburgh cy	49	31	.81
Portland Me. w	60	31	1.13
Portland Ore. cy	60	39	.31
Providence pc	60	35	.76
Richmond sy	62	35	1.30
St. Louis sy	64	48	....
Salt Lake City r	56	36	.45
San Antonio sy	79	54	....
San Diego pc	71	64	....
San Francisco pc	71	50	.03
San Juan ts	91	74	1.70
Seattle pc	56	41	.02
Spokane pc	46	29	.49
Tampa pc	85	67	....
Washington sy	60	41	1.67
Wichita w	75	53	....

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cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain

sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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(OCT. 19) UPI - In a further sign that U.N. economic sanctions are beginning to work, Iraq announced Friday it will start rationing gas next Tuesday, Baghdad Radio said.

Iraqi Oil Minister Issam Abdulrahim Chalabi did not say how long the rationing would last but said it would include affect private cars, trucks and taxis but not the military, the state-owned radio said.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein never resorted to gas rationing even during the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq War and the measure appeared to be another indication that economic sanctions imposed after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait were working.

Chalabi did not say why rationing was introduced and analysts speculated that lack of spare parts for the country's refineries may have necessitated the move.

In a separate development, Germany said Friday Baghdad will free eight German hostages but at the same time some 100 relatives of German hostages still left in Iraq demonstrated in Bonn to complain their government was not doing enough to help free the captives.

A German Foreign Ministry spokesman did not say when the eight Germans would be released but said they were on a list of ''urgent cases'' of elderly and sick people the German government presented to Iraq some time ago.

''It has been announced that a release will take place,'' the German government spokesman said. The spokesman said Iraq informed the German Embassy in Baghdad of the decision.

The oldest to be released is 77-year-old Hans-Gerd Sandsteet, the German spokesman said. An Iraqi diplomat in Bonn said the Germans were in good health and were being treated well.

Iraq is still holding about 300 German hostages, including 76 thought to have been taken to strategic locations in Iraq to serve as human shields against allied attack.

Cairo Radio said Iraq late Thursday allowed some 130 Soviet technicians to

leave for home and another Soviet plane was expected in Baghdad on Sunday to transport another batch of nationals home.

Iraq warned earlier this week it would be forced to detain some Soviet military advisers if Moscow passed on Iraqi military secrets to Washington. There are 5,000 Soviet nationals left in Iraq but neither country has officially classified them as hostages.

In London, former Conservative British Prime Minister Edward Heath left for Baghdad Friday via the Jordanian capital of Amman on a private visit to seek the release of sick and elderly British hostages, Amman Radio said.

Iraq asked Heath, a persistent critic of British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's domestic and foreign policiesy, to postpone his visit for a week to give Iraqi authorities time to prepare for his visit. Some British lawmakers described the trip as a propaganda coup for Saddam but Heath insisted it is his ''humanitarian duty.''

Also Friday, Iraq told all foreigners still in Kuwait to register by Nov. 5 and warned that ''anyone who does not get a valid residence visa will be fined or jailed,'' Baghdad Radio said.

It said Jordanians, Egyptians and Yemenis were excluded from the order.

Iraq has warned Kuwaitis that anyone caught harboring a foreigner faces possible execution.

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SALEM, MASS. (OCT. 19) UPI - A former Salem woman who allowed her three sons to be sexually molested during sex parties at her home could face up to life in prison when sentenced next month.

Terri Clements, 32, now of Seabrook, N.H., was convicted Thursday on charges of rape and abuse of a child and indecent assault. The 12-member Essex County Superior Court jury deliberated for less than three hours before returning the guilty verdict.

The children testified during the trial that their mother engaged in sexaul acts with them at parties in their Salem home between 1984 and 1986.

The three boys, now aged 9, 11 and 13, said they were lined up against a wall so that guests could pick which one they wanted for sex, prosecutors said. When two guests wanted the same child, they flipped a coin to decide who would go first, Assistant District Attorney Janice Howe said.

A tearful Clements testified Wednesday that she hit and sometimes neglected

her three sons and their younger sister, but insisted she never touched them in a sexual way.

The children have been living with a relative and Clements has not spoken to them in more than two years.

Clements is slated to be sentenced Nov. 9 by Judge Patrick Brady. She could receive life in prison, Howe said.

The children's father, William Clements, and seven other defendants are currently awaiting trial in the case.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $371.20 silver base of $4.28 and platinum price of $411.00:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$386.50	383.10
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	198.40	196.70
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	101.90	101.00
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.10	41.70
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	386.50	383.10
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	198.40	196.70
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	102.40	101.50
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.10	41.70
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	392.70	389.30
China Panda .50 troy oz.	202.40	200.60
China Panda .25 troy oz.	104.90	104.00
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	45.30	44.90
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.10	26.80
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	386.70	383.30
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	197.60	195.80
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	99.60	99.00
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.00	42.70
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	385.10	381.40
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	199.40	197.60
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	102.40	101.40
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	43.60	43.20
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	385.00	381.20
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	197.90	196.00
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	84.00	83.30
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.00	43.60
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	22.50	22.40

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.69	$5.63
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,230	$3,190
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,375	$1,375
Platinum		
Australian Koala	426.00	413.00
Isle of Man Noble	423.00	410.00
Canada Maple Leaf	434.00	421.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - U.S. ECONOMIC SCORECARD:

Gross National Product: Output of goods and services in the second quarter of 1990 rose just 0.4 percent vs. 1.7 percent in the first quarter. For 12 months through June the U.S. economic growth rate was 1.0 percent.

Unemployment rate: Joblessness rose in September to 5.7 percent nationally as a net 59,000 jobs were lost. Initial claims for state unemployment benefits in the week ended Oct. 6 were down 2,000, to 395, 000.

Consumer confidence: The Conference Board's consumer confidence index was 84.7 in September, unchanged from August but off sharply from 116.3 in September 1989.

Retail Inflation: The Consumer Price Index rose 0.8 percent in September - the same as in August. The annual inflation rate: 6.6 percent.

Wholesale Inflation: The Producer Price Index of costs further down the economic pipeline was up 1.6 percent in September, ahead 6 percent for the

past 12 months.

Retail Sales: Consumer purchases declined 0.6 percent percent in August after rising 0.4 percent in July.

Automobile Sales: Off 2.1 percent in Oct. 1-10 reporting period at an average 30,096 units vs. 30,734 units in year-ago period. New car sales down 0.6 percent in September at annual rate of 10 million units.

New Home Sales: Purchases of newly built residences slipped to an annual rate of 550,000 in August, off 1.4 percent from a year earlier.

Housing Starts: New home building in September off 0.6 percent vs. a year earlier. Annual rate: 1.14 million, vs. 1.13 million in August.

Interest rates: Average for 30-year, fixed-rate home mortgage: 10.12 percent. For a four-year new car loan: 12.13 percent.

Durable Goods Orders: Makers of long lasting goods saw orders fall 0.5 percent in August after a 2.7 percent gain in July.

Trade balance: The U.S. trade deficit widened to $9.34 billion in August from $9.3 billion in July. Total over the past 12 months: $100.4 billion.

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DALLAS (OCT. 19) UPI - A federal judge Thursday ordered reporters out of his courtroom during jury selection for the trial of former Vernon Savings and Loan owner Don Dixon on charges of misusing thrift funds.

U.S. District Judge A. Joe Fish said he was concerned prospective jurors would not be comfortable speaking in front of the media on such ''touchy subjects'' as charges of suing thrift funds to pay for prostitutes.

Don Dixon is accused in 38 counts of diverting thrift deposits for political and personal purposes including the extensive use of call girls. The failed Texas thrift cost taxpayers $1.3 billion, regulators say.

''This was clearly a case of weighing the public's right to know against making certain the defendant receives a fair trial,'' said Fish. ''The defendant's rights must be paramount.''

Attorneys for The Dallas Morning News and other organizations protested the action. Fish later said he would reconsider his decision and might reopen the proceedings Friday morning.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans late Thursday refused the Morning News' request to order Fish to open jury selection, but strongly disagreed with Fish's reasons for closing the proceedings.

The court of appeals panel disagreed with Fish's interpretation of the 1984 case backing his decision to close the courtroom.

The panel of three judges said it read the 1984 case, Press Enterprise vs. Superior Court of California, as requiring the court to instruct jurors to request private questioning in sensitive matters, rather than closing the trial on the expectation they would not be candid.

''We are confident the able judge Fish in this matter will consider our comments carefully.'' the panel said.

The indictment, returned in June, alleges Dixon falsified thrift records to conceal his use of the funds for hunting trips, political contributions, prostitutes, yachts, antique cars and a $2 million house in Solana Beach, Calif.

Dixon, who describes himself as an unemployed financial consultant, purchased a well-run hometown thrift and built it into a $1.7 billion institution with international assets and branches. He tied the pay of his top executives to the amount of money they could loan on commercial deals. Hundreds of millions were loaned on shaky enterprises from stud farms to gambling casinos, with taxpayers picking up the losses.

In earlier jury selection proceedings open to reporters, defense attorney Billy Ravkind said his client's ''wild ways'' did not cause Vernon to collapse.

''Be prepared,'' he told the panel. ''The government will present plenty of rock and roll - and no doubt, (Dixon) rocked and he rolled - plenty of sex and prostitutes. It's coming. It's coming. But the sex question has to be separated from the merits of the case.''

At one point, Ravkind surveyed potential jurors for their opinions on whether it was proper to purchase prostitutes if the prostitutes improved legitimate business for the company.

''Who here thinks (Dixon) intended to harm his corporation?'' Ravkind asked.

''The government is interjecting the sex issue, something that everybody has an opinion about,'' Ravkind said.

Prosecutors say they are not trying to create a scapegoat of Dixon or falsely interject the ''sex question.'' They say Dixon broke specific campaign and banking laws.

Assistant U.S. Attorney David Jarvis said the trial would focus on political contributions, although the first witness against Dixon is a brothel operator known as the ''Rolodex madam.'' Earlier in the week, Fish ordered Karen Wilkening, who ran a $150-an-hour prostitution service from her San Diego area home, flown to Dallas.

''I don't think what I would have to say would make a difference one way or another,'' she told the San Diego Tribune.

But investigators say she can confirm Dixon often purchased ''female escorts'' for business and political contacts. The money came from taxpayer-backed thrift funds, they say.,

Judge Fish said he would rule on a requested change of venue after the seating of the jury.

According to industry regulators, Dixon used thrift funds to fly around the world, collect fine art, wine and women. Through the S&L, Dixon owned a fleet of six jets and a palatial California home.

If convicted on all 38 counts, Dixon could face a maximum sentence of 190 years in prison and be fined as much as $9.5 million.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - The budget battleground is in a House-Senate conference committee today. The panel must reconcile differences between two measures. The Senate approved a plan to reduce the deficit this morning. The Senate and House bills differ on how to increase revenue. The Senate version raises income taxes. The House bill increases income taxes. President Bush says he WON'T O-K the House version.

The Soviet Parliament tentatively approved Mikhail Gorbachev's compromise plan for moving the nation to a market economy. Deputies intend to discuss the

proposal in detail before final passage, which is scheduled tomorrow. The Soviet leader rejected the Russian republic's proposed 500-day plan for the whole country, and said each republic should be able to choose its own program.

The Air Force says U-S jet fighters intercepted two Soviet bombers flying over the Bering Sea southwest of the Alaska mainland Wednesday evening. The U-S jets steered the Soviet planes back toward Siberia. It's the third time this year that Soviet bombers have been encountered on the periphery of Alaska.

South Africa's ruling party has irrevocably ratified a decision to open its ranks to all races. The 15-hundred delegates at a party congress approved the measure today. The move comes after 76 years of only white members in the National Party. President Frederik de Klerk says ''The National Party and South Africa are now on the moral high ground.''

Britain's ruling Conservative Party was upset in an election to replace a member of Parliament who was killed by the Irish Republican Army. Returns show a Liberal Democrat was the upset winner in what was a conservative stronghold for 84 years. Polls released today indicate the Conservatives are trailing the Labor Party nationally in the eyes of British voters.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - Newspapers in Uganda say rebels fighting a 20-day civil war in Rwanda have consolidated their grip on the north of the country. Rebels in Rwanda's Patriotic Front are being led by a former Ugandan army commander. Uganda's government-owned newspaper says hundreds died in a fight for one rural town.

Rwanda has asked that a European Community peace-keeping force be sent to guarantee a proposed cease-fire with the rebels. Rwanda also says it has agreed to speed up moves to convert its military government into a multi-party democracy, originally planned to come into force in 1992.

The two Koreas have wound up the second round of talks over peaceful reunification. South Korea's prime minister returned home from North Korea today. He expressed optimism that further talks will reunify the Koreas. The next talks are scheduled for Seoul in November.

A designer of execution equipment says the bleeding from the nose of convicted cop-killer Wilbert Evans during his electrocution may indicate his death was inhumane. Evans was executed Wednesday night in Virginia's electric chair. A doctor said the leather mask put on Evans caused his nose-bleed.

The Texas agency that oversees the state's interest in the superconducting super-collider voted to accelerate the state's appropriations by 60-Million dollars. The Texas commission anticipates federal budget cuts. It had already

planned to commit 89-Million dollars to the project this year.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - Having produced dramatically dissimilar answers to the question of how to chop $500 billion from the federal deficit over the next five years, the House and Senate are turning to the touchy task of ironing out the differences between their budget bills.

Early Friday, the Senate capped more than 30 hours of debate over two days by passing a bipartisan deficit reduction plan that would raise gasoline taxes 9.5 cents a gallon, hike cigarette and alcohol taxes and increase costs to Medicare beneficiaries.

The Senate package was approved on a 54-46 vote that came at about 1:25 a.m. only after Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine and Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas repeatedly joined forces to squelch several direct challenges to the bipartisan plan.

On Tuesday, the House engaged in heated partisan warfare before passing a Democratic-backed bill raising income tax rates on the wealthiest Americans from 28 percent to 33 percent, imposing a 10 percent surtax on those with taxable incomes of more than $1 million a year and eliminating any gasoline tax hike.

House and Senate negotiators were set to begin bargaining Friday on creating one compromise plan from the two different bills, with the agreement then facing votes in each chamber before going to President Bush for his signature.

Speaking to a group of Italian-Americans Friday, Bush said the Senate bill ''offers, I think, some real hope for getting this budget deficit matter under control.''

Though declining to give details on what he would like to see emerge from the conference, he lauded senators for warding off efforts to raise income tax rates, saying, ''I think I'm on the right track on that and I'm going to try to hold the line.''

Bush said there are ''big differences between the Senate and House legislation ... but I will say, I, for the first time, feel optimistic that we can get this job done for the American people and it needs to be done.''

Mitchell, who said he personally supported many of the amendments that he vigorously fought to defeat, told his colleagues that the Senate budget bill was crafted specifically to avoid a veto and that even ''attractive'' amendments would subvert any try at deficit reduction.

''Once again we face the same question we face so often in this body,'' Mitchell said in a floor speech. ''Do we want to make a statement or do we want to make a law? I choose to make a law.''

''It's going to be very tenuous as we work on now, but I think the American people are expecting to see the final result and I think we can give that to them,'' Sen. Alan Simpson, R-Wyo., said after the vote.

In opposing the House approach, Bush criticized the raised income tax rates on the highest income taxpayers from the current 28 percent to 33 percent - which would generate $50 billion over five years - and the hiked income taxes on middle class Americans caused by freezing for a year the inflation adjustment of tax brackets and personal exemptions.

The Senate bill did not raise income tax rates, but it does have the gasoline tax hike - absent from the House version - to be placed on top of the current 9 cents per gallon federal gas tax to raise $42.6 billion in five years.

The Senate bill would cut $48.9 billion from Medicare over five years, with most savings coming from lower payments to health care providers but with beneficiaires paying higher premiums and deductibles.

There are some similarities between the House and Senate versions. Both would raise taxes on cigarettes by four cents a pack in 1991 and by another four cents a pack in 1993 and raise taxes on beer by 16 cents a six-pack. Taxes on wine would rise about 22 cents a bottle and hard liquor taxes also would go up.

The Senate measure, which includes a new 10 percent tax on luxury items, such as expensive cars, boats, airplanes, jewelry and furs, would cut the deficit by $28.4 billion in fiscal year 1991, which began Oct. 1, and by $252.5 billion over five years. The bill is the cornerstone of the Senate's broader effort to cut the deficit by $40 billion in 1991 and by $500 billion over five years. The rest of the savings come from the lower spending on defense and domestic programs.

The duration of the debate left some participants weary. As the proceedings stretched past midnight, some senators slumped over with exhaustion at their desks on the Senate floor, while others rubbed their eyes and stifled yawns.

During debate on an amendment for budget process reform, Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, told his colleagues, ''We stand on the single spot in the nation where 'budget process' is an oxymoron,'' adding Congress had become ''the laughingstock of the nation.''

Among the failed Senate amendments were ones to hike the tax rate for the rich to 33 percent, to eliminate or reduce the gas tax increase and to add a 10 percent surtax on Americans with taxable incomes over $1 million.

Meanwhile, the White House announced President Bush, in a reversal, would sign a new stopgap funding bill through Oct. 24 to keep the government running when the current temporary funding bill expires at midnight Friday if the deficit reduction plan was in a House-Senate conference. The House passed the stopgap funding bill Thursday and the Senate was to take up the matter later Friday.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - The Treasury Department auctioned $12.5 billion in 69-day cash management bills Friday at an average discount rate of 7.37 percent, an average investment rate of 7.58 percent and an average price of $98.587.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - China bought more than $43 million worth of U.S. wheat Friday, its second major subsidized purchase in two days, while Beijing warned of dangers to relations between the two nations.

The Agriculture Department announced the sale of 449,370 metric tons of winter wheat to China through the U.S. export subsidy program. It came one day after China bought 299,750 tons of wheat, also at discount prices.

U.S. wheat growers have expressed concern about loss of the Chinese market if Congress succeeds in revoking most-favored-nation trade status for Beijing.

China is one of the top customers in the world for U.S. wheat, buying 5.5 million tons in the 1989-1990 marketing year - half of its import total - and 3.2 million tons so far this year, which opened June 1. There are 36.7 bushels of wheat in a metric ton.

In a statement, the Chinese Foreign Ministry said a House vote to revoke MFN status ''will exert destructive impact on the economic and trade relations between the two countries and will surely result in a serious slideback of the bilateral relations.'' The MFN bill now goes to the Senate.

The Chinese purchases this week, worth more than $72 million based on Chicago prices, marked a welcome week of activity for lagging export sales. The Soviet Union bought 350,000 tons of corn, its first corn purchase since last May 15, and several smaller grain sales also were reported.

In its latest purchase, China bought 284,760 tons of hard red winter wheat and 164,610 tons of soft red winter wheat. Eight exporters were given bonuses worth $43.87 a ton, or $1.19 a bushel, for lowering their prices to make the sale.

In addition, the government reported the subsidized sale of 24,000 tons of barley to Israel.

China is one of the major wheat producers of the world but it is forecast to remain an importer in coming years due to rising demand for wheat. Wheat imports during this marketing year are projected at 12.5 million tons.

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BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (OCT. 19) UPI - Communist-ruled Serbia Friday reluctantly abandoned a bid to prevent a Croatian nationalist from becoming Yugoslavia's new vice president, defusing fears of parliamentary paralysis and military intervention in the country's worst post-war political crisis.

Stipe Mesic, a former Croatian prime minister, was confirmed without a vote and sworn in as a member of the federal presidency during a joint session of the national legislature.

He assumed the role of vice president and will become president of Yugoslavia in May when Borisav Jovic of Serbia relinquishes the post that rotates yearly among the representatives of the six republics and two provinces on the collective head of state.

Mesic, 56, was ousted from the Communist Party and jailed for a year in a 1971-73 crackdown on Croatian nationalism by dictator Josip Broz Tito. He belongs to the Croatian Democratic Union, which rode to power on a wave of nationalist votes in assembly elections in April, Croatia's first multi-party elections since 1945.

His appointment, announced by the Croatian government in late August, was confirmed after Serbian delegate Milos Aleksic told the session that Yugoslavia's largest republic was abandoning its use of procedural rules to delay the matter.

''Serbia does not agree with his appointment. But Serbia will never blackmail this assembly, even in cases where we are not in agreement with a proposal,'' he said.

Serbia opposition to Mesic stems from worsening tensions with Croatia over the future shape of Yugoslavia. Croatia, joined by Slovenia, favors a confederation of independent states because it fears Serbian domination of the federation. Serbia advocates retaining the federal model.

The Croatian-Serbian tensions are the most serious of multiple problems contributing to the worst Yugoslav political crisis since the end of World War II.

Serbia apparently decided not to block Mesic's appointment after it became clear it would be approved, dealing the republic its second political embarassment in one week.

On Tuesday, Serbia was unable to defeat a Croatian motion for the appointment to be considered before Jovic addressed Parliament on constitutional reforms. Jovic was to have spoken Tuesday but under procedural rules Mesic's appointment could not be confirmed until Friday.

Many Yugoslavs had worried that Serbia would press its objections and when faced with approval of Mesic, order its delegates to walk out of Parliament, leaving Yugoslavia without a functioning federal legislature and pushing the multi-ethnic nation of 23 million to the brink of civil war.

It was feared a walkout would invite the intervention of the conservative military, which is anxious to prevent the nation's disintegration.

Jovic expressed relief at the resolution of the controversy that disrupted the joint session, the main task of which was to hear his speech on recommendations for constitutional reforms.

''This is the last chance to come to reason and avoid a catastrophe that includes civil war,'' he told Parliament.

Jovic declined to deliver his speech, which advocated preserving the federation, as it was read by Serbia's communist-controlled television Tuesday despite the vote delaying it until Friday.

After the session, Mesic sought to downplay fears about the military, telling reporters, ''The army leadership is not for intervention, for sure.

''It would be the end of the army and of the state,'' he said.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 19) UPI - Lawrencia Bembenek said she and her fiance were only about ten minutes from escaping before authorities arrested them Wednesday in Thunder Bay, Ontario.

In her first interview since her arrest, Bembenek, who escaped from prison July 15 while serving a life sentence for murder, told the television show ''Inside Edition'' that she and Dominic Gugliatto were packing and getting ready to flee because they thought authorities were after them.

''Minutes. Just 10 more minutes and we could have gotten away,'' she said in the interview which will be televised on the show Friday night.

Bembenek was convicted of the 1981 murder of Christine Schultz, the ex-wife of Bembenek's then-husband Elfred Schultz, who has since divorced Bembenek. Because of her alluring looks and concerns that she had been railroaded, Bembenek, a former policewoman, became an outlaw folk hero in Milwaukee.

Gugliatto has been charged with helping her escape from the Taycheedah Correctional Institution for women near Fond du Lac.

She said she and Gugliatto love each other and ''one of my biggest regrets is that we were never able to get legally married.''

While they were free the couple took the names of Anthony Gazzana and Jennifer Lee Gazzana. Authorities believe they got the names from tombstones of two dead children in Holy Cross Cemetery in Milwaukee.

The real Anthony Gazzana was born Feb. 23, 1954, and died at the age of 2. Officials also believe Bembenek may have gotten her name from a Jennifer Lee Voelkel who died at the age of 1 month in 1961.

Both children were buried at the cemetery, which is near Gugliatto's Milwaukee home.

Salvatore Gazzana, the father of the dead baby Anthony, said he felt sympathetic toward Bembenek but did not like use of his son's name.

''I think she's innocent, actually,'' he said. ''But the way they go about it, I didn't like it - using my son's name and his birth certificate plus his Social Security number. How they got that so easy is beyond me,'' he said.

''It hurts, bringing back memories like that. They shouldn't do things like that. I mean, isn't there anything private in this world, anymore? To bring up something like that, that's bad.''

Cornelia Voelkel, Jennifer's grandmother, was also upset.

''It's a sad thing to think that someone can use your name. Somebody who would do something like that would do just about anything,'' she said.

The pair were apprehended on a tip from someone who saw the show ''America's Most Wanted'' last week which featured Bembenek.

Lt. Edwin Sheppard of the Fond du Lac County Sheriff's Department said Thursday the man switched to the show when he got bored with a hockey game last Friday night.

''The guy's watching a hockey game, a boring hockey game, so he switched the TV to 'America's Most Wanted.' The only thing that he really saw was the last five minutes of the segment on Bembenek and he sees the picture of Bembenek

and he thinks to himself, 'Boy, that looks like the waitress up in Thunder Bay ''' said Sheppard.

He said shortly after that Gugliatto's picture was shown and he recognized him as the man who had been introduced as the waitress's husband and he contacted authorities.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT.

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	48	09
Amsterdam cy	1pm	60	16
Ankara c	3pm	70	21
Athens c	2pm	73	23
Auckland cy	12m	59	15
Beijing c	8pm	58	15
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	58	15
Bonn pc	1pm	65	19
Brussels pc	1pm	65	19
Cairo c	2pm	78	25
Casablanca cy	12n	69	21
Copenhagen cy	1pm	53	12
Dakar pc	12n	91	33
Dublin cy	1pm	53	12
Geneva pc	1pm	59	15
Helsinki r	2pm	43	06
Hong Kong pc	8pm	77	25
Jerusalem cy	2pm	75	24
Karachi c	5pm	89	32
Lisbon pc	1pm	62	16
London cy	1pm	61	16
Madrid c	1pm	61	16
Malta pc	1pm	78	26
Manila cy	8pm	81	27
Moscow pc	3pm	56	14
Nairobi pc	3pm	79	26
Nassau c	7am	75	24
New Delhi c	6pm	85	30
Nice cy	1pm	70	21
Oslo pc	1pm	49	10
Paris cy	1pm	60	16
Pretoria pc	2pm	68	20

Riyadh	3pm	94	34
Rome r	1pm	64	18
Seoul c	9pm	59	15
Sofia pc	2pm	68	20
Stockholm r	1pm	47	08
Sydney cy	10pm	59	15
Taipei pc	8pm	74	23
Tokyo cy	9pm	68	20
Tunis pc	1pm	84	29
Vienna cy	1pm	56	14
Warsaw pc	1pm	63	17

Latin America

Buenos Aires fy	9am	62	16
Caracas pc	8am	71	21
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	59	15
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro r	9am	72	22
Santiago cy	8am	54	12

Canada

Calgary c		53	11
Edmonton c		57	14
Montreal cy		73	22
Ottawa cy		69	20
Regina cy		55	12
Toronto c		69	20
Vancouver c		57	14
Winnipeg cy		39	04

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cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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(OCT. 19) UPI - Members of the Senate and the House face a choice between deficit reduction plans. A Senate plan passed early this morning and is backed by President Bush. It would jack up the tax on gasoline by nine and one- half cents a gallon. The House does NOT hike the gas tax... but would expand income

tax to 33 percent for the highest bracket. Both plans increase taxes on alcohol and cigarettes... and cut Medicare. A congressional conference committee plans to meet today to try to work out a compromise.

Germany reports Iraq says it freed eight German hostages. The Germans say the eight were on a list of ''urgent cases'' the German government gave Iraq some time ago of the elderly and the sick. An Iraqi diplomat told families of hostages the Germans being held in Iraq are... what he termed... ''guardians of peace.'' As the releases were announced, 100 relatives of hostages demonstrated in Bonn, claiming the government is NOT doing enough to free the hostages.

South Africa's ruling National Party voted today to open its membership to all races. The Nationalists came to power in 1948 on a platform of exclusively white rule. But President Frederik de Klerk proposed the change in August. He declared today that ''the National Party and South Africa are now on the high moral ground.'' Anti- apartheid groups say blacks will NOT join in large numbers... but analysts say this is still a significant step.

Savings and loan figure Charles Keating made bail and is out of jail today. A federal judge in Los Angeles last night cut Keating's bail from five-Million dollars to 300-thousand... saying the original bail violated Keating's rights because it was so out of line with bails for his co-defendants. Keating's attorneys portrayed him as a strongly religious family man who has been persecuted by the media and wants to vindicate himself.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-84.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 127.00-130.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 42.00-55.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 48.00-55.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $225.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $397.00-$459.00; dealer- approx., $398.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$114.17 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 296.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - A storm with winds of near-hurricane strength blew through parts of Connecticut and western Massachusetts during the night... knocking down trees and limbs and cutting electric power to thousands. A utility spokesman said 75-thousand customers in the two states lost their electricity in winds up to 70 miles an hour.

Federal election records show pro-Israel public action committees have contributed more than two-Million dollars to congressional races since the beginning of 1989. That's more than any other ideological group... including abortion activists, gun-control organizations, conservative and liberal PACs. Aides say senators are reluctant to criticize Arab allies during the Persian Gulf crisis... but also hesitate to rebuke Israel just before an election.

The man accused of raping the girlfriend of comedian Sam Kinison testified the woman had sex with him willingly. In a Los Angeles court yesterday, Unway Carter said he met Kinison in June at a nightclub and the comedian paid him 100 dollars to be his bodyguard for the night. Carter said after Kinison passed out at home after drinking... Carter had sex with the woman, but that she was a willing participant. The comedian may testify as a rebuttal witness.

An advisory panel has criticized the Energy Department for rushing to re-start the Rocky Flats nuclear weapons plant in Colorado. The department's Advisory Committee on Nuclear Facility Safety says department officials are more interested in resuming production of plutonium than safety at the aging plant.

Energy Secretary James Watkins sought to address the committee's concerns by promising the facility would meet safety standards.

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SOMERS, CONN. (OCT. 19) UPI - A guard at Connecticut's maximum-security prison in Somers has been arrested for being a fugitive from justice in Massachusetts, Connecticut State Police said Friday.

Rosemary Perez, 26, of Springfield, Mass., was arrested Thursday night at her job as a correction officer at the prison and held in lieu of $25,000 bond pending an appearance Friday in Rockville Superior Court, police said.

She was arrested on a warrant issued in Massachusetts on a charge of violation of probation in that state, police said. Connecticut authorities did not know what charge Perez had been convicted of in Massachusetts.

Connecticut correction officials said they were examining the procedures used to check on the background of Perez before hiring her as a prison guard.

The agency would not comment further because it was a personnel matter and spokesman William Wheeler could not say what Perez's job status was.

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ALVIN, TEXAS (OCT. 19) UPI - Forty-four bodies originally donated to a medical school have been unearthed from two fields where they were allegedly dumped by a man paid to cremate the cadavers.

Crews continued digging at the sites Friday. The grim work began Wednesday following the indictment of Richard Joseph Herrin Jr., 44, of Houston.

Texas Chiropractic College paid Herrin to cremate 80 cadavers over the past three years but prosecutors claim he instead illegally dumped them in mass graves.

Workers have had to dig through up to 15 feet of garbage to reach many of the bodies or body parts. The cadavers primarily were elderly men and women, officials said.

''It's conceivable that there could be 80 bodies here but I don't think there are 80,'' said Jean Spradling Hughes, Harris County assistant district attorney. ''We feel like there are more. We are going to keep on digging.''

Investigators believe some of the bodies may have been burned in two industrial paper incinerators at one 7-acre site in Brazoria County, southeast

of Houston.

Officials have said there is no evidence of wrongdoing by Texas Chiropractic College, which will store the cadavers until they can be properly cremated. The college, like other Texas medical facilities, receives cadavers from the Texas Anatomical Board.

People living near the fields were shocked by the discoveries.

''I think it's awful,'' said Candice Brown. ''I can't believe anything like this happened around here ... It's real scary.''

Under Texas law, bodies used by medical training facilities must be cremated or buried in a dedicated cemetery. Herrin's agreement with the chiropractic college specified that he cremate the bodies, officials said. He was paid $200 per body.

In 1987, Herrin gained widespread publicity when he searched for a cemetery to bury 80 containers of fetuses as part of a disposal contract with abortion clincs. He eventually was allowed to bury 200 fetuses in a Conroe cemetery.

He also apparently abandoned 37 mayonnaise and ice cream containers full of aborted fetal remains in a storage warehouse. Those remains later were buried by a Houston funeral home.

Also in 1987, Herrin received a one-year probation from the state Funeral Service Commission for disposing of three human bodies without a proper license.

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TOKYO (OCT. 19) UPI - The growth rate of Japan's gross national product may drop to 3.3 percent in fiscal 1991 if crude oil prices remain at about $35 a barrel, Mitsui Trust and Banking Co. predicted Friday.

The leading commercial bank said the projection is down by 1 percentage point from its original estimate forecast in July, when crude oil prices stood at about $17.40 a barrel.

World crude oil prices doubled in the weeks following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of neighboring Kuwait and the subsequent moves against Iraq by most other nations, including an embargo on all Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil.

The bank has projected Japan's GNP growth for the current year at 4.1 percent.

Analysts at the bank said Japan's domestic wholesale prices are expected to climb 5.2 percent in fiscal 1991, while growth of plant and equipment

investment by corporations is expected to fall to 5.9 percent from the July projection of 10.1 percent.

The bank said growth of personal consumption is likely to fall to 3.4 percent in fiscal 1991 from 4.4 percent for the current year.

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (OCT. 19) UPI - The European Community must move quickly to a common currency to prevent the sort of wild speculation that preceded Britain's entry into the European exchange-rate mechanism, the EC's top financial official said Friday.

The length of the EC's interim phase toward a three-stage monetary union is a matter of great debate among the 12 member governments. A single currency would come in Stage 3.

A lengthy Stage 2 would be ''a little dangerous,'' because it would cause ''speculation and anticipation'' in financial markets eager to know when EC exchange rates would be permanently locked into a common currency, said Henning Christophersen, the EC commissioner for financial and economic affairs.

He spoke at a news conference after releasing a 351-page report, ''One Market, One Money,'' which concludes that a single currency would help poor and rich countries alike, and save up to 19 billion European Currency Units, or $25 billion, annually in currency transaction costs.

Rapid completion of a common currency would prevent, he said, ''a repetition of what we have seen in the United Kingdom,'' where financial markets swung wildly for months on rumors of imminent British entry into the Exchange Rate Mechanism.

Britain finally entered the ERM on Oct. 8, 11 years after most EC countries joined.

The EC's three-stage plan for Economic and Monetary Union includes creation of a central bank - the ''Eurofed'' - during Stage 2.

The initial stage of EMU, which encompassed Britain's entry into the exchange system, began July 1.

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl gave a boost to monetary union this week by proposing Jan. 1, 1994, as the starting date of Stage 2. The president of the EC Commission, Jacques Delors, sought to begin Stage 2 a year earlier but welcomed Kohl's date as a ''reasonable compromise.''

Christophersen said it may take 12 to 18 months to complete creation of the

central bank once Stage 2 begins.

''Stage 2 should be only a short preparation stage'' before a common currency takes effect, he said.

Britain, which staunchly opposes a single currency as a threat to sovereignty, seeks a lengthy Stage 2.

Some poorer EC countries, such as Greece and Spain, have also expressed reservations about whether their economies are ready for rapid movement to a common currency.

The huge EC Commission report concluded, however, that EMU will ''close the gap between rich and poor member states,'' by helping poorer nations to ''attract more long-term investments from a well-organized capital market.''

Differences in inflation and other economic factors among EC nations have been cited as reasons to delay EMU, but Christophersen said ''the present state of convergence is not so bad.''

Seven countries - Denmark, France, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg, Germany and Ireland - could proceed now to EMU, the report says. Italy, Spain and Britain ''have some adjustments to make still, but these are surely feasible within a few years.'' Only Greece and Portugal have larger adjustments to make, but ''with political will'' they could also join in full EMU with the rest of the Community, the report says.

''If we have to wait until complete convergence comes we will wait a long time '' Christophersen said.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Special				
Iowa Natl Bkshrs	..	1.00	11-7	10-31
Increased				
Allied Bankshares	Q	.08	11-19	10-31
FranklinFirstFinl	Q	.16	12-1	11-15
Usual				
Black & Decker Corp	Q	.10	12-28	12-14

ColonialBncGrp Cl-A	Q	.15	11-13	11-6
Commerce Bncrp NJ	Q	.22 1/2	11-9	10-30
Dreyfus Strat Govt	M	.09	11-15	11-1
FB&T Corp	Q	.22	11-9	10-31
First Western Bncp	Q	.27 1/2	11-6	10-30
Firstar Corp	Q	.33	11-15	10-29
Fortune Fincl Grp	Q	.07 1/2	11-29	11-9
Fuller (HB) Co	Q	.15	11-9	10-29
Genesee Corp cl-B	Q	.30	1-2	12-14
Giant Food cl-A	Q	.15	12-7	11-2
Gillette Co	Q	.27	12-5	11-1
Grumman Corp	Q	.25	11-20	11-9
Guy F Atkinson Co	Q	.12	11-19	10-31
Hasbro Inc	Q	.05	11-16	11-2
Helix Technology	Q	.19	11-21	10-31
Indiana Fedl Corp	Q	.10	11-30	11-15
Ingles Markets cl-A	Q	.05 1/2	11-9	10-29
Interstate Power	Q	.50	12-20	11-20
Iowa Natl Bkshrs	Q	.35	11-7	10-31
Massbank Corp	Q	.11	11-15	10-31
Myers Industries	Q	.05	1-2	12-7
National Data Corp	Q	.11	11-30	11-16
People's Bk Conn	Q	.18	11-15	11-1
SJW Corp	Q	.46 1/2	12-1	11-1
Seaway Food Town	Q	.09	11-9	10-30
Standard Fedl Bk	Q	.10	11-30	11-16
Sturn Ruger & Co	Q	.30	12-15	12-1
Thiokol Corp	Q	.07 1/2	12-10	11-30
Tultex Corp	Q	.09	1-2	12-7
Untd Missouri Bcsh	Q	.20	1-2	12-14
West One Bancorp	Q	.22	1-17	12-31

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - President Bush said Friday Iraq President Saddam Hussein's aggression against Kuwait must ''not be rewarded by some compromise.''

The president's comment came shortly before Yergeni Primakov, a member of the Soviet Presidential Council, denied a published report that he was carrying a message from Saddam.

Primakov, who visited Baghdad last week and met with Secretary of State James Baker on Thursday, reportedly heard an offer from Saddam of partial Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, under certain conditions.

But Primakov, during his visit with Bush on Friday, told reporters he had ''no message from Saddam Hussein. I am not a messenger.''

After his meeting with Baker on Thursday, Primakov told reporters, ''We should look for some possibilities to avoid - to avoid the military collisions, but not to reward Iraq for its actions.''

National security adviser Brent Scowcroft, who met with Primakov Thursday, told reporters there was nothing new that would push the peace process forward.

Before meeting with Primakov, Bush told leaders of the National Italian American Foundation, ''I am determined Saddam Hussein's aggression will not be rewarded by some compromise, not be rewarded by failing to get him totally out of Kuwait and restore the legitimate rule.''

In that respect Bush was repeating the hardline message to Saddam that has highlighted Baker's recent testimony on Capitol Hill.

''Saddam Hussein is still trying to make people think that it is the Arab world against America and he couldn't be more wrong,'' Bush told the Italian-American group.

''We've got strong support both diplomatically and on the ground from Arab countries,'' Bush added. ''I think we've sent a very strong signal. The bottom line is he can't prevail and we're going to send a strong moral message and that is that one big country can't bully it's neighbor and take it over.

''And that's the principle we're fighting for,'' he said. ''We also have strong national security interests, which relate to the energy out there.''

Appearing for the second day on Capitol Hill to explain Bush's policy toward Saddam and the crisis in the Persian Gulf, Baker once again ruled out a partial or conditional Iraqi withdrawal from occupied Kuwait.

Such concessions to the Iraqi president, Baker said, would reward unprovoked aggression in a pattern that led to World War II 50 years ago. ''Action that moves toward a partial solution would be self- defeating appeasement,'' he warned Thursday.

A dozen House members asked Baker questions like Rep. Gerry Studds, D-Mass., inquiry: ''Can you assure us that the United States will not attack Iraq militarily?''

Baker answered with one word: ''No.''

Baker later expanded his one-word answer to Studds by explaining the president would find it necessary to act quickly if U.S. citizens being held by Iraq,

for example, were harmed.

Studds mulled that answer over for a few seconds and responded, ''If I were a soldier in Saudi Arabia, I'd put my helmet on.''

''They've already got their helmets on,'' Baker said, ''and they knew what they were getting into when they signed up.''

He then repeated the basic answer he has been giving for the past two days: ''We can't rule out the option of the use of force.''

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OMAHA (OCT. 19) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and calves None.

Hogs 1,600; butchers steady to 50 lower; No 1-3 220-260 lb 58.50-59.00, No 2-3260-290 lb 57.00-58.00; sows under 500 lb weak to 50 lower, over 500 lb 2.00 lower, some carryover; No 1-3 350-500 lb 48.50-48.75, No 2- 3 500-650 lb 51.00.

Sheep None.

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DETROIT (OCT. 19) UPI - General Motors Corp. and the United Auto Workers made it official Friday, formally signing the new three-year labor contract reached between the giant automaker and union Sept. 17.

UAW President Owen Bieber, during signing ceremonies that involved dozens of company and union bargainers around GM's massive bargaining table at its Detroit headquarters, called the agreement ''historic in many ways.

The GM-UAW pact was reached three days after the two sides agreed to extend the Sept. 14 deadline. It includes an unprecedented $4 billion income security package covering about 280,000 U.S. hourly workers at GM, vastly improved pension benefits, and higher company fines on excessive overtime to be paid into a joint skills and training fund.

It also includes a 3 percent base wage increase in the first year, and lump sum payments of 3 percent each in the second and third years.

At the end of the previous contract, a typical car assember at GM made $14.01, excluding cost of living adjustments. By the end of the new contract in late 1993, that assembler will be making $17.19 an hour, excluding COLA adjustments.

Meanwhile, about 100,000 hourly U.S. workers at second-ranked Ford Motor Co. were expected this weekend to complete ratification of their new three-year labor pact reached with the UAW Oct. 7.

The Ford-UAW contract, patterned after the GM accord, includes a $1.6 billion income security package and identical wage and pension increases and overtime penalties.

But Bieber declined to answer any questions about contract negotiations with No. 3 carmaker Chrysler Corp. Those talks are expected to go into high gear Monday covering about 60,000 U.S, workers.

Chrysler executives have openly called the pacts reached with GM and Ford ''unaffordable,'' saying the company is under financial pressure and needs to deviate from the pattern pacts to remain competitive, especially in the araes of pension costs since it has the oldest average workforce.

No deadline has been officially set for the Chrysler/UAW talks, although it is believed the union would like to have a tentative agreement by Oct. 31.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - House and Senate conferees will now wade into rival deficit-reduction plans to see if they can come up with something that everyone can live with and pay. The Senate passed its own bi-partisan version 54-46 early this morning. It raises costs to Medicare beneficiaries while hiking taxes on gasoline, cigarettes and alcohol. President Bush has already said he likes the Senate version and dislikes the House version so much he would veto it.

Iraq reportedly has promised to free eight of the more than 300 Germans it holds. The German Foreign Ministry revealed the promise. The eight are on a list of so-called ''urgent cases'' given to Iraq earlier this month. An Iraqi diplomat calls the Germans detained against their will are what he termed ''guardians of peace'' and says they are all in good health.

The American Friends Service Committee today announced its opposition to a proposed seven-BILLION-dollar arms sale to Saudi Arabia, saying it will only increase the likelihood of a war with Iraq. The Philadelphia- based Quaker organization expressed its opinion in a letter to Defense Secretary Cheney and congressmen who will deal with the sale. It says the United States should take the lead in efforts to halt all arms sales to the region.

Security is heavy in the Old City area of Jerusalem after Israeli police used a water cannon to disperse about 100 Moslem youths denied entry into the Islamic Mosque complex on the Temple Mount. About 35- hundred Moslem adults

were allowed to attend the Friday prayers. Israeli Radio reports that about 40 Arabs were detained in the latest disorders. There are NO reports of injuries.

The ruling National Party in South Africa irrevocably ratified a decision to open its ranks to all races after 76 years of exclusively white membership. The decision became final at the fourth and final provincial congress of the party in Pretoria. The congress confirmed resolutions adopted at the first three meetings. The move to accept all races as members is another step in moves by President Frederik de Klerk to end apartheid.

The Soviet parliament today gave tentative approval to President Gorbachev's compromise plan for moving to a market economy. Before the 356-12 vote, Gorbachev bitterly attacked his chief rival, Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin. The republic chief attacked Gorbachev on Tuesday and called for more radical economic steps. Gorbachev accused Yeltsin of playing politics with the economic question and cheating the Soviet people.

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(OCT.19) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Affiliated Publications (3rd Q 9-30)	
$130,404,000	$126,964,000
$4,036,000 (.06)	$8,481,000 (.12)
Amcore Financial Inc (3rd Q 9-30)	
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$2,305,000 (.35)	$2,793,000 (.42)
AmSouth Bancorp (3rd Q 9-30)	
....	....
$19,433,000 (.83)	$19,959,000 (.82)
Apple Computer (4th Q 9-28)	
$1,354,090,000	$1,383,747,000
$98,476,000 (.81)	a-$161,080,000 (1.24)

a-Includes $48,000,000 (.37) from the sale of Adobe common shares.

Arco Chemical (3rd Q 9-30)	
$681,000,000	$632,000,000
a-$56,000,000 (.58)	$94,000,000 (.98)

a-Includes a net pre-tax charge of $28 million from the incident at its Channel View Texas Plant.

Buckeye Partners LP (3rd Q 9-30)
$42,700,000 $41,100,000
$10,900,000 (.90) $9,300,000 (.77)

Burlington Northern (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,155,000,000 $1,150,000,000
$58,000,000 (.75) $73,000,000 (.95)

Citizens First Bancorp (3rd Q 9-30)
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d-$10,109,000 $9,226,000 (.43)
d-Deficit.

Constar International (3rd Q 9-30)
$126,658,000 $135,510,000
$1,609,000 (.22) $3,865,000 (.60)

Eaton Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$869,100,000 $864,100,000
$35,800,000 (1.01) $40,000,000 (1.04)

Florida Progress Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$591,800,000 $551,500,000
a-$58,100,000 (1.13) b-$75,200,000 (1.47)
a-Includes 28 cent charge representing a
reserve for the disposition costs and
potential losses associated with the sale of the firm's Talquin Corp.
b-Includes four cents per share from discontinued operations.

Gehl Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$42,486,000 $37,725,000
$1,931,000 (.32) $1,223,000 (.30)

Genicom Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$58,890,000 $60,698,000
$836,000 (.08) d-$2,706,000
d-Deficit.

Harsco Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$414,339,000 $300,900,000
$18,102,000 (.69) $14,566,000 (.55)

Home Shopping Ntwk (4th Q 8-31)
$244,586,000 $187,446,000
$1,670,000 (.02) d-$26,101,000
d-Deficit

Intergraph Corp (3rd Q 9-30)

$256,297,000 $211,543,000
$12,069,000 (.25) $16,387,000 (.31)

Interstate Power Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$66,654,000 $67,018,000
$7,277,000 (.69) $10,213,000 (1.01)

Jostens Inc (1st Q 9-30)
$141,347,000 $129,477,000
$2,795,000 (.07) $2,510,000 (.06)

Kansas City Southern Indus (3rd Q 9-30)
$136,200,000 $128,700,000
$13,800,000 (1.32) $9,600,000 (.91)

Komag Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$40,387,000 $24,308,000
$4,175,000 (.27) $915,000 (.07)

Lamson & Sessions (3rd Q 9-30)
$83,966,000 $82,294,000
$1,453,000 (.11) $1,225,000 (.09)

Legg Mason (2nd Q 9-30)
$61,929,000 $62,001,000
$3,475,000 (.41) $3,429,000 (.40)

Mid Am Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
....
$2,594,000 (.44) $2,564,000 (.55)

Moore-Handley Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$29,546,000 $26,024,000
$157,000 (.07) d-$24,000
d-Deficit.

Network Equip Tech (2nd Q 9-30)
$37,140,000 $46,936,000
d-$7,050,000 $4,780,000 (.33)
d-Deficit.

Network Systems Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$40,034,000 $33,856,000
$5,322,000 (.18) $4,392,000 (.15)

Oglebay Norton Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$59,347,000 $52,210,000
$3,755,000 (1.47) $1,459,000 (.55)

Olin Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$656,000,000 $580,000,000
$15,000,000 (.65) $24,000,000 (1.15)

Oneok Inc (Year 8-31)
$668,000,000 $618,300,000
$33,000,000 (1.21) $36,600,000 (1.29)

Owens & Minor (3rd Q 9-30)
$310,045,000 $261,298,000
$2,489,000 (.29) $1,340,000 (.16)

Pinnacle West Capital (3rd Q 9-30)
$474,591,000 $463,296,000
$56,948,000 (.66) $5,072,000 (.06)

Progressive Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$348,000,000 $354,800,000
$18,100,000 (.76) $23,700,000 (.90)

Santa Fe Energy Res (3rd Q 9-30)
$98,300,000 $78,300,000
$5,000,000 (.08) $8,700,000 (.16)

SCEcorp (3rd Q 9-30)
$2,257,585,000 $2,182,213,000
$285,976,000 (1.31) $400,903,000 (1.84)

Seaway Food Town Inc (4th Q 8-25)
$135,372,000 $131,738,000
$1,255,000 (.55) $388,000 (.17)

Southern N E Telecommun (3rd Q 9-30)
$407,900,000 $423,900,000
$15,200,000 (.26) $42,800,000 (.69)

Storage Technology (3rd Q 9-28)
$265,172,000 $232,599,000
$15,955,000 (.48) $8,263,000 (.32)

Teleflex Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$102,314,000 $78,356,000
$5,716,000 (.52) $5,253,000 (.48)

Tennant Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$52,944,000 $49,750,000
$4,187,000 (.85) $3,900,000 (.78)

Trinity Industries (2nd Q 9-30)
$317,800,000 $314,400,000
$9,300,000 (.44) $11,300,000 (.61)

Tuboscope Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$34,109,000 $25,082,000
$1,788,000 (.15) d-$1,312,000
d-Deficit.

Wyman-Gordon (3rd Q 9-29)
$95,140,000 $86,608,000
$246,000 (.01) d-$2,195,000
d-Deficit.

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LONDON (OCT. 19) UPI - Stock prices closed slightly higher Friday in moderate trading on the London International Stock Exchange, buoyed by Wall Street's rally despite a Conservative party electoral defeat that sent prices skidding in early trading.

Stocks also gained in Frankfurt and Zurich but eased slightly in Paris.

The London blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 14.6 points Thursday, gained 6.4 points to 2,089.0.

For the week, the key index, which measures the value of Britain's largest 100 companies in terms of market capitalization, posted a loss of 11.4 points.

The narrower top 30 industrial average added 3.4 points to 1,621.5 but eased 0.5 point for the week.

Volume amounted to around 465 million shares compared with 353 million shares changing hands on Thursday.

Stocks opened lower following the surprise defeat for the governing Conservative Party in an election to fill a vacant Parliamentary seat.

The election was held to replace a member of Parliament who was killed by the Irish Republican Army. Analysts said the Conservatives had campaigned hard on a theme of law and order, emphasizing the fight against terrorism.

But, observers said, the Conservatives were hurt by a downturn in Britain's economy, which is currently suffering from a 10.9 percent inflation rate, the highest since 1982, and an increased number of business failures.

Stocks turned higher around midday, market watchers explained as the price of oil continued to ease on world markets.

The strong rally on Wall Street, following the sharp rise in Tokyo, also boosted local enthusiam.

Analysts said the possibility of a U.S. budget compromise and anticipated interest rate cuts pushed prices higher in New York, and London mimicked the bullish lead with gains across the board in blue chips.

Lower oil prices as tensions were seen to ease in the Gulf also helped bullish sentiment, although analysts warned underlying economic fundamentals could produce bearish tendencies ahead for local investors.

Water company stocks lost ground following the Tory defeat in the Eastbourne by-elections that signaled the party may be vulnerable in a general election.

The private water companies fear a Labor government may re- nationalize the water industry, although they have pledged not to do so.

South West Water fell 14 cents to $4.18.

Among some of the international issues, Glaxo gained 18 cents to $14.60 and Reuters added 36 cents to $13.45.

P and O Transport, the international transport company, gained 26 cents to $9.82 after a judge's decision to absolve the company of the Zeebrugge ferry disaster in which 193 died.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices closed higher in subdued trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange as investors reacted to lower global oil prices.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 29.28 points Thursday, added another 12.02 points to 1,470.07. For the week, the key index which measures the value of 30 selective blue chips gained 10.37 points.

Analysts said stocks gained as lower oil prices indicated to investors a lower inflation rate for the local economy which in turn raised expectations of lower interest rates.

Stocks also gained in Zurich as local investors reacted to lower oil prices pushed the Swiss Market Index up 10.30 points to 955.60.

In Paris, stocks eased slightly on the Paris Bourse in light trading.

The French CAC 40 Index, which surged 31.67 points Thursday, slipped 3.51 points to 1,644.16.

Analysts said stocks eased slightly amid some profit taking following Thursday's advance and the government's decision to boost the capital gains tax to 25 percent from the current 19 percent level.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - Spurred by further signs Iraq would like a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis, crude oil prices plunged as much as $3 a barrel in early trading Friday.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery traded as low as $33.85 a barrel, $2.95 below Thursday's close, before moving back up at midday to $34.75 a barrel, a decline of $2.05.

Stocks continued to rise in response to the week-long drop in oil prices with the Dow Industrials up 27.48 points at midday to 2480.20.

Remarks late Thursday in Amman, Jordan, by Iraqi First Deputy Taha Yassin Ramadan were interpreted by the oil market as further evidence that Iraq is seeking a peaceful solution.

''That's what put further pressure on the market,'' said Thomas Blakeslee of Pegasus Econometrics Group, of Hoboken, N.J.

''On that news, we came off $2 a barrel,'' said Greg Dreis of Merrill Lynch Energy Futures in New York.

Before his departure to Baghdad, Ramadan told Radio Jordan he was more optimistic for a political and peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

The high-ranking Iraqi official had met with Jordanian Prime Minister Mudar Badran at the airport as part of a tour of North African nations, during which messages from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein were delivered.

In addition, Iraq Thursday had no objection to the presence of a Kuwaiti delegation at an Arab League meeting in Tunis to discuss the killing of 21 Arabs by Israeli police in Jerusalem Oct. 8.

Iraq officially annexed Kuwait shortly after its Aug. 2 invasion and has been insisting the nation no longer exists.

Also earlier this week after visiting Jordan's King Hussein, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz said, ''We are in a stage of reconsidering positions ... reevaluating positions.''

The oil markets have been under selling pressure since last weekend when

Kremlin diplomatic trouble-shooter Yevgeny Primakov gave the first indication of a weakening of Iraq's resolve after a Baghdad meeting with Saddam.

Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat, who met with Saddam Sunday, also said he thought Iraq was in ''a conciliatory mood.''

Primakov was scheduled to meet Friday with President Bush in the White House. He had briefed Italian Premier Giulio Andreotti and French President Francois Mitterrand earlier this week.

The downward bias was strong enough that the market shrugged off a rumor that an Iraqi jet had been fired on. The Pentagon said it knew nothing about such an incident.

Oil trader Blakeslee saw the $33.85 WTI low in early trading as a significant resistance level. Once WTI moves below this level, sell orders will be triggered, Blakeslee said, driving prices lower.

The $33.85 price is on the ''trend line'' projected from previous daily low prices, he said, one of the technical barometers traders follow other things being equal.

On the Merc, home heating oil for November delivery had lost 5.75 cents at midday from Thursday's close to 90.70 cents a gallon, while November unleaded gasoline was down 3.06 cents to 89.90 cents a gallon.

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was quoted at $33.45 a barrel, down $2.15 from Thursday.

United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - dropped $3 from Thursday to $28.55 a barrel.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, prompt delivery WTI crude had fallen $1.85 to $34.90 a barrel.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 19) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Friday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 68-74.

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BOGOTA, Colombia (OCT. 19) UPI - A drug suspect wanted in the United States has turned himself in to authorities to take advantage of a government offer of a reduced sentence and no extradition, news reports said Friday.

Gonzaga de Jesus Rincon Perez, wanted for conspiracy to distribute cocaine in the United States, surrendered to a judge in the city of Pereira, 125 miles west of Bogota, newspapers reported.

Rincon surrendered in order to take advantage of a decree issued by President Cesar Gaviria in September, becoming the first person subject to extradition to turn himself in, the reports said.

The decree offers drug traffickers and others who surrender reduced prison sentences and exemption from extradition. In return, those who participate must confess to their crimes and turn over property earned from illegal activities.

Rincon admitted to having sent cocaine to the United States, said the news reports that cited local authorities.

Under the decree, Rincon has to confess to a judge who will then decide on a sentence. He can receive a reduction of up to half of his sentence.

Top government officials said they believed mid-level and small-time traffickers would take advantage of the decree but not the top kingpins of the cocaine trade.

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BEIJING (OCT. 19) UPI - Officials attending a regional conference on drug enforcement that ended Friday said the latest drug menace in Asia - a stimulant called ''ice'' smuggled from Taiwan and South Korea - is spreading rapidly to North America.

But China reacted angrily to suggestions that Taiwan be allowed to participate in the annual meeting of heads of national drug law enforcement despite concern over the island nation's growing role in illicit drug trafficking.

Drug officials attending, which concluded Friday, said the latest regional drug menace is in the form of crystal methamphetamine smuggled from Taiwan and South Korea. Known also as ''ice'' and ''shabu,'' the stimulant is spreading rapidly from Asia to Canada and the United States, South Korean delegate Yoo Chang-jong said.

Yoo said officials made a deliberately vague recommendation for increased regional cooperation that was meant to include Taiwan, which was not represented at the conference.

But Chinese drug officials bristled at the notion that Taiwan take part in the annual meeting in order to help coordinate efforts to crack down on regional drug production and smuggling.

''Taiwan's representation is impossible,'' fumed Beijing delegate and Deputy Minister of Public Health Gu Yingqi.

''Taiwan is an inalienable part of China. We will notify them of this development,'' Gu said in reference to the reported rise in methamphetamine smuggling.

The communist mainland regards Taiwan as a renegade province and has been technically ''at war'' with the island's Nationalist, or Guomintang, government since its 1949 defeat.

Taiwan's participation in future such conferences, presided over by the U.N. Division of Narcotic Drugs, could pose technical difficulties. Taiwan lost the so-called ''China seat'' in the United Nations to its communist rival in 1971.

Neither Gu nor fellow delegate Liu Wen, a senior public security official and head of Interpol in China, would specify what concrete measures Beijing would take to cooperate with Taiwan.

''I will ask (Taiwan) officials to pay attention to methamphetamine production '' Liu said.

China also denied that significant numbers of mainland nationals are involved in the ethnic Chinese gangs controlling the majority of the world's heroin traffic.

The gangs operate principally out of Hong Kong, Taiwan, Canada, the Netherlands and the United States, but are increasingly turning to China as a convenient smuggling route, according to U.N. Division of Narcotic Drugs director Francisco Ramos-Gallino.

''China is a new route traffickers have started in the last few years in an attempt to use countries that had no traffic in drugs,'' Ramos- Gallino said, adding that authorities have seized heroin shipments in the Soviet Union as well as in China.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 19) UPI - Rating agency Standard & Poors Corp. said Friday that it has downgraded the debt rating of CalFed Inc., which has been hit by poor earnings for the second consecutive quarter.

S&P's said it was lowering the rating on CalFed's subordinated debt from double B plus to single B, affecting about $125 million of debt.

The agency also announced it has lowered ratings on CalFed's thrift unit, 200-branch California Federal Bank, affecting about $165 million of the thrift's debt. The ratings were lowered on the thrift's certificates of deposit, senior debt and commercial paper.

California Federal is the nation's third largest thrift after Home Savings of America and Great Western Bank.

''The cumulative losses over the past two quarters have significantly pressured CalFed's tangible capital position,'' the agency said. This, coupled with the company's moderately high exposure to softening commercial real estate markets, heightens the risks to holding company ''tens the risks to h

CalFed reported Thursday a third-quarter loss of $92.3 million, compared with earnings of $22.2 million, or 83 cents a share, for the year-ago quarter. It blamed the sluggish residential real estate market in Southern California for the loss.

It was the second quarter in a row that CalFed had posted a big loss stemming from real estate problems. Its second quarter loss was $53 million.

The loss left CalFed slightly short of the risk-based capital ratio that will be required by regulators as of Jan. 1. To increase capital, CalFed also announced that it was slashing its quarterly dividend from 35 cents a share to 3 cents a share.

CalFed said Thursday that the loss stems from a $96 million addition to its allowance for losses on real estate and a $42.8 million loss from its prevously announced sale of its annuity and life isnurance unit, Beneficial Standard Life.

The addition to the reserves leaves CalFed's reserves at about 25 percent of its nonperforming assets.

CalFed's stock was unchanged at $4.375 a share in early afternoon trading Friday on the New York Stock Exchange.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - The Senate passed its own version of a deficit-reduction plan

along partisan lines early this morning. It reportedly is veto- proof, unlike the rival plan approved earlier in the House. A conference committee will now try to fashion a unified version of the two bills.

Oil-rich Iraq begins rationing gasoline next Tuesday, something it never did in its bloody eight-year war with Iran. This is taken as another sign that the Western embargo against Iraq is working. Iraq refines its own gasoline but must use imported additives in the process and it's NOT getting any.

Defense Secretary Cheney says that a four-day visit to Moscow has made him a believer that the Soviets are committed to change. Cheney had been one of the administration's leading hawks but now says the visit helped him overcome his earlier skepticism.

South Africa's ruling National Party has ended 76 years of exclusive white membership by opening its ranks to all races in the country. The Nationalists came to power in 1948 on a platform of protecting white interests and ensuring the exclusive white rule in South Africa that is just now being dismantled.

South Korean Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon is back in Seoul after a historic visit to North Korea. Kang is the first South Korean prime minister to visit North Korea. He says he's cautiously optimistic that further talks with northern leaders could end 45 years of distrust and pave the way for peaceful reunification of Korea.

Opposition politicians in France are calling on the U-N Security Council to force Syrian troops out of Lebanon. All of this follows reports of summary executions of troops loyal to defeated Lebanese Christian General Michael Aoun. He's holed up in the French Embassy in Beirut, seeking political asylum.

Authorities in Joliet, Illinois, today charged a 25-year-old Mississippi man with murder after a gang-related shooting on the city's East Side that left two people dead and three others injured. Police charged Michael Blackwell of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, in the shooting that occurred last night at a home where rival gang members lived.

Freezing temperatures chilled the Midwest and Appalachians today... dropping the mercury into the 20's. The cold weather followed a strong front that lashed the Middle Atlantic states last evening... whipping up as many as five tornadoes near Washington, D-C. Residents today are working to repair damage from the powerful rains, winds and twisters.

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 19) UPI - Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. said Friday it would offer incentives for up to 1,600 managers who choose to retire or leave the company by Dec. 31.

The plan is being offered because of the company's changing management requirements, said Robert A. Dickemper, vice president of human resources.

Southwestern Bell employs about 17,000 managers out of a total workforce of 58,000 in Missouri, Kansas, Texas, Oklahoma, and Arkansas.

Incentives would vary by length of employment, with a maximum payout of one-year's salary to managers with more than 20 years of service. Pension benefits would be unaffected by the plan.

Dickemper said management requirements have been reduced by emerging technologies, greater operating efficiencies, and a transition to a management style that gives employees greater responsibility in meeting customer needs.

''Our goal with this plan is a fine-tuning, or tune-up of our management forces,'' he said, ''and this plan is one that's fair and equitable to both the company and its employees.''

The company said it would limit by state the number of managers eligible for the program.

Southwestern Bell Telephone is the largest subsidiary of Southwestern Bell Corp. Costs of the plan would be charged to the corporation's fourth-quarter operations.

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JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 19) UPI - South Africa raised the price of gasoline 25 percent Friday on top of an 8 percent rise last month as result of rising crude oil prices resulting from the Persian Gulf crisis.

Effective midnight, gasoline will cost 62 U.S. cents a liter, or $2.38 a gallon, the government said.

The state-run National Energy Council said the soaring cost of crude oil on the back of the Gulf crisis necessitated the price increase.

The independent Automobile Association immediately said the increase would ''seriously'' affect the inflation rate, now running at 14.1 percent, and the liberal opposition Democratic Party called on the government to draw on its strategic reserves to ease the burden.

South Africa has reportedly stockpiled enough oil to last up to five years if supplies are cut off.

It has been stockpiling oil as a result of a loosely enforced but potentially

devastating world oil embargo imposed to punish the country for its apartheid policies.

But Finance Minister Barend du Plessis said last month the government has no intention of drawing on its strategic reserves, noting South Africa is not the only country suffering rising oil costs.

The state airline, South African Airways, also announced Thursday that fares would rise 10 percent on Nov. 1, its second increase since the start of the Gulf crisis.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 19) UPI - The Soviet Parliament approved a cautious move toward a market economy Friday, giving Mikhail Gorbachev a major political victory but setting up potential conflicts with the huge Russian republic and others seeking radical reforms.

Gorbachev's ''guidelines for stabilizing the national economy and introducing a market system,'' were approved after only brief debate by a 333-12 vote with 34 abstentions at the afternoon session of the Supreme Soviet, or Parliament.

Parliament's green light means the Soviet Union, despite continuing differences over the pace and extent of change, will at long last move to some sort of mixed economic system after seven decades of centrally planned socialism.

The reform plan approved Friday is a Gorbachev-drafted compromise between a conservative government proposal of Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov that maintains much central control and the radical 500-day plan initiated by Russian leader Boris Yeltsin.

Gorbachev's compromise dropped the 500-day blueprint's call for abandoning all subsidies, closing unprofitable factories, rapid privatization of property and enterprises and eventual elimination of most industrial branch ministries. It also maintains state control of many prices.

In presenting his plan to Parliament Friday, Gorbachev lashed out at Yeltsin, his chief critic and rival, for speaking against the compromise and threatening Russia may ignore it.

''He is ignoring the interests of 150 million people, and he is cheating people,'' Gorbachev said of Yeltsin, who has used his new power base as head of the Russian Federation to press Gorbachev for more radical economic reforms. ''This is a political game.''

Yeltsin accused Gorbachev Tuesday of going back on his word by supporting the

more moderate economic plan over a bold 500-day program drafted by a joint commission set up by both leaders.

The Russian leader warned if the compromise plan was approved, the huge republic with half the country's population, three-quarters of its land and most of its natural resources might try to split its economy from the Soviet Union and implement its own plan.

Gorbachev's plan includes a vague provision to give republics control over their own resources, but many key raw materials like oil would remain under central control.

And with the central government still controlling most of the economy through its ministries, it would be almost impossible for Russia to independently implement the 500-day plan for privatization and elimination of central controls.

Ryzhkov, under fire for months for his hesitance in moving toward a market, said he ''will not get any laurels for carrying out the plan,'' an indication even the moderate transition to a market it envisions will bring inflation and unemployment by ending subsidies to failing firms.

Gorbachev promised, however, that ''while renouncing the protection of businesses, the state will protect people. Those who have to change jobs will have an opportunity to get assistance in finding another job.''

''During the transitional period, the state will do its utmost to curb the growth of retail prices of prime necessities,'' he said.

Gorbachev said the state will continue to set prices for the most important goods during a revision of prices, and that pensions, student grants and other benfits will be indexed as a cushion against inflation.

Gorbachev and Yeltsin worked together on an economic plan during the summer, but Gorbachev, under pressure from Ryzhkov, recently shifted toward more cautious reform.

The Soviet leader, responding publicly to Yeltsin's charges for the first time said the country cannot afford to delay implementing a concrete program to stem its economic crisis. He called on Yeltsin to stop issuing ''sharp words of a confrontational nature'' and back his plan for a phased transition.

''We are for consolidation, but not consolidation based on ultimatums,'' Gorbachev said in a blistering 50-minute address.

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OTTAWA (OCT. 19) UPI - Abortion rights advocate Henry Morgentaler was acquitted Friday of violating a Nova Scotia ban on abortions and planned to reopen his clinic.

Provincial Court Judge Joseph Kennedy said the province had no right to pass the law banning abortions and other medical procedures because it was aimed mainly at Morgentaler.

''I'm elated,'' Morgentaler said after he was cleared on 14 charges of performing an abortion. ''It's a great day for justice in Canada. It's a great day for women in Canada. It's a greater day for the Charter of Rights.''

Essentially, Kennedy said the law was unconstitutional because it was primarily designed to close Morgentaler's abortion clinic.

Morgentaler also told reporters no Canadian province can enact legislation that diminishes the rights of women to obtain a medical abortion.

Provincial officials did not immediately say if they would appeal the court's decision, but Cynthia Haghn, the executive director of Nova Scotia's Campaign Life Coalition, said her group would try to block access to Morgentaler's Halifax clinic.

The clinic was closed after Morgentaler was charged but had been operating on a referral basis.

In the meantime, Morgentaler is concentrating his crusade for unfettered access to abortions on a proposed federal law that would make abortions illegal unless a doctor determines the woman's physical, mental or physiological health would be endangered. Abortions could not be performed outside hospitals and any doctor who performed one without meeting the criteria would be subject to heavy penalties.

The proposed law is similar to one struck down in 1988 by the Supreme Court of Canada because it was unconstitutional. The old law required that a committee of three doctors determine if a woman's life or health would be endangered if her pregnancy continued.

Morgentaler said the proposed law was a ''slap in the face'' for Canadian women and that the government had no right to make ''important personal, intimate decisions.''

He said doctors would be afraid to perform abortions if the law was enacted.

Morgentaler opened his first abortion clinic in Montreal in 1970 and has spent two decades fighting to open similar clinics in other provinces.

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MIAMI (OCT. 19) UPI - Hurricane Nana turned its 75 mph winds north Friday toward the island of Bermuda, but forecasters said there was still a chance the storm would miss the vacation spot.

As of noon EDT, the hurricane center was located near latitude 29.1 north and longitude 66.7 west, and the system was traveling north at near 9 mph.

Nana, which was expected to turn toward the northeast by Saturday, was about 245 miles south-southwest of Bermuda.

A hurricane watch was in effect for the island, but forecasters said the advisory would probably be upgraded to a warning by Friday night.

Winds were clocked at 75 mph and not much strengthening was expected during the next 24 hours. Hurricane force winds extended outward up to 25 miles from the center, and tropical storm force winds extended outward up to 85 miles.

''It's still a definite threat to the island of Bermuda,'' said Max Mayfield, a forecaster at the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

''The hurricane is still just a Category 1 hurricane on our 1 to 5 scale and it's a very small system, in fact, extremely small. The hurricane force winds reported by our reconnaissance aircraft are right in the center.''

Mayfield said a cold front moving toward the hurricane from the northwest could cause the storm to pass west or southeast of Bermuda.

''If it moves out over or to the west of Bermuda, it'll get some very strong winds,'' Mayfield said. ''If it slides just southeast of them, they may not get much at all.''

Nana is the 14th named storm of the 1990 Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30, and the eighth hurricane.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages increased to 10.24 percent from 10.22 percent while adjustable-rate notes declined to 8.19 percent from 8.24 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close

Oct. 18, 1990

Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	421.67	off 13.20	up 2.92
Growth & Income	663.54	off 12.46	up 2.10
Balanced	437.00	off 11.86	up 1.32
Average Fund Performances:			
Capital Appreciation (144)		off 15.03	up 2.08
Growth (260)		off 13.19	up 2.55
Small Co. Growth (83)		off 20.18	up 1.83
Growth & Income (201)		off 11.67	up 2.16
Equity Income (66)		off 12.59	up 1.60
Average 754 Equity		off 13.88	up 2.19
Health/Biotech (9)		up 6.08	up 5.08
Natural Resources (19)		off 7.90	off 1.52
Environmental (5)		off 16.00	up 4.50
Science & Technology (23)		off 14.24	up 6.69
Specialty/Misc (31)		off 17.17	up 1.98
Utility (15)		off 6.24	up 2.19
Financial Services (10)		off 26.85	up 1.01
Real Estate (6)		off 20.68	up 0.43
Option Income (10)		off 11.10	up 1.96
Global (42)		off 10.07	up 2.75
International (56)		off 8.97	up 2.30
European Region (17)		off 1.44	up 1.67
Pacific Region (18)		off 14.73	up 5.48
Gold Oriented (35)		off 25.51	off 5.66
Average All Equity (1045)		off 13.58	up 2.03
Flexible Portfolio (46)		off 7.43	up 1.39
Global Flexible Port (11)		off 6.07	up 0.88
Balanced (60)		off 6.24	up 1.75
Convertible Security (29)		off 12.70	off 0.08
Mixed Income (13)		off 4.56	up 1.09
Income (4)		off 10.41	off 0.60
World Income (44)		up 10.48	up 0.23
Fixed Income (537)		up 0.48	up 0.21
Average 1794 Funds		off 8.21	up 1.37
Median 1794 Funds		off 8.50	up 1.20
Unmanaged Market Indicators:			
DJ Industrial	2,452.72	off 10.91	up 3.71
S&P 500	305.74	off 13.49	up 3.48
S&P 400	358.86	off 11.06	up 3.46

NYSE Composite	167.13	off 14.31	up	3.04
Amex	291.84	off 22.79	off	0.64

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)

Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker proposed Friday a series of new ideas for putting to rest the remnants of the Cold War and to help the Soviet Union avoid the danger of social and economic collpase.

In a speech to the American Committee on U.S.-Soviet Relations, Baker laid out a blueprint for making cooperation permanent and normal between the United States and the Soviets.

The ideas were based on his belief that a normal relationship between Washington and Moscow is now in sight - ''possibly even a genuine partnership may be in reach.''

He split up the ideas into several categories:

-Defense. He proposed setting up a working group that would give both sides a chance to compare their views on deterrence and stability. Another group would discuss ways of converting military equipment into tools that would be useful for the economies of both countries. Both countries would work to prevent regional conflicts.

In addition, the two countries would work together to prevent the further proliferation of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons.

-Transnational issues. He proposed that the United States explore taking part in an International Center for Ecological Research to be located at Lake Baikal, Siberia, the world's largest body of fresh water. He said the United States and the Soviet Union are already discussing ways of cooperating on combating terrorism and narcotics trafficking.

-Political. Warning that the present ''confusing, jumbled mosaic'' in the Soviet Union presents dangers, he proposed that the United States do what it can to help make the transition to democratic change. He announced that the Soviet Union is now included among the countries that can use the Citizens Democracy Corps, a group that helps explain to newly emerging democracies the workings of the democratic processes and free-market economics.

He warned that there is a continuing danger that the breakdown of the Stalinist system of central control in the Soviet Union will occur faster than a new system can be built up to replace it.

The speech was one in a series he has given in the last year, outlining U.S. policy in the era of the breakdown of communist control in Eastern Europe. For his work, the American Committee on U.S.-Soviet Relations jointly awarded its annual George Kennan award to Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 19) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	79.45	79.67	79.00	79.30	79.30
Dec	76.70	76.97	76.55	76.92	76.47
Feb	74.05	74.57	73.95	74.42	73.92
Apr	75.10	75.55	75.07	75.32	75.02
Jun	72.70	73.10	72.60	72.95	72.57
Aug	71.00	71.35	71.00	71.25	71.00
Oct	71.25	71.60	71.25	71.50	71.25

Est. sales 18,185 contracts; Thursday 13,626; open interest 65,365 off 1,560.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Sep	86.90	86.95	86.70	86.85	86.92
Oct	85.95	86.12	85.70	85.90	85.80
Nov	84.40	84.85	84.35	84.77	84.35
Jan	82.80	83.25	82.70	83.20	82.65
Mar	82.25	82.75	82.25	82.75	82.15
Apr	81.45	81.95	81.45	81.95	81.42
May	80.50	80.80	80.50	80.77	80.35

Est. sales 1,648 contracts; Thursday 1,583; open interest 11,120 off 314.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	57.35	57.62	57.00	57.17	57.22
Dec	53.90	54.50	53.75	53.95	53.95
Feb	51.30	51.70	51.00	51.07	51.27
Apr	48.15	48.35	47.95	48.05	48.12
Jun	51.70	51.80	51.45	51.65	51.62
Jly	51.90	51.90	51.70	51.80	51.95
Aug	50.50	50.50	50.20	50.40	50.50
Oct	45.50	45.50	45.50	45.50	45.37

Est. sales 5,463 contracts; Thursday 5,609; open interest 25,051 up 162.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	66.10	68.00	65.75	67.17	66.00
Mar	66.10	67.70	65.65	67.00	65.70

May 65.85 67.90 65.85 67.10 66.10
Jly 64.80 66.70 64.75 66.10 64.70
Aug 62.00 63.60 62.00 63.40 61.60 Est. sales 4,061 contracts; Thursday 3,286; open interest 8,128 up 11.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 123.50 down 10 cents, 700-850 lbs. 123.05 up 3 cents; select 1-3 550- 700 lbs. 115.76 down 28 cents, 700-850 lbs. 114.15 down 12 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light; fresh pork loins steady to firm; Boston butts were not established; skinned hams steady to firm; seedless bellies were not fully established; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 117.00- 119.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 106.00, 20-26 lbs. 101.00-102.00, 32 lbs. and up 98.50; bellies 16-18 lbs. 61.00.

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#90292u1316 10/19/1990 ~United Press International
ATHENS, Greece (OCT. 19) UPI - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said Friday that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would be forced out of Kuwait militarily if he did not leave peacefully and there would be no compromise leaving him in possession of Kuwaiti soil.

Speaking to reporters after meetings with Greek Prime Minister Constantine Mitsotakis and other members of his cabinet, Hurd said: ''If Saddam Hussein does not withdraw in peace he will be forced out.''

Hurd, who was in Athens on a two-day visit after a Middle East tour, said: ''We must try to produce a peaceful outcome to this crisis. This is what we're doing by piling up the peaceful pressures.''

But he said there is ''no future in a compromise that would leave Saddam Hussein in possession of part of Kuwait or in a privileged position vis-a-vis Kuwait.''

The foreign secretary said there is no timetable for how long peaceful efforts to solve the Persian Gulf crisis would continue.

Officials said the crisis, European Community affairs and British- Greek bilateral questions were among the subjects Hurd discussed with government leaders in Athens.

He met Mitsotakis Friday after discussions with Foreign Minister Antonis

Samaras on Thursday. He also met with Defense Minister Ioannis Varvitsiotis and Alternate Economy Minister Efthimios Christodolou.

Hurd told a press conference that Greek and British views on the European Community monetary union were converging. ''There has been a coming together of Greek and British views, particularly on Stage Two of the economic and monetary union,'' he said.

He was referring to the three-stage plan championed by E.C. President Jacques Delors for economic and monetary union in the community, leading up to a common currency.

Hurd said Britain met its obligations under Stage One by joining the Exchange Rate Mechanism early this month.

''Stage Two should in our view be the heart of the future discussions. We have put forward ideas about Stage Two, the hard ECU plan. The Spaniards, the Dutch and the European Commision have put forward their ideas,'' he said.

''The Greek government, like us, is keen that there should be flexibility about Stage Two, about timing, about content,'' the foreign secretary said.

''So there has been a converging, a coming together, of Greek and British views about what we regard as the heart of the inter- governmental conference, the heart of the matters connected with economic and monetary union,'' he said.

These ''will be discussed in coming weeks and months'' in meetings of European Community leaders, Hurd said.

Greece was prepared to sign up to the principle of a single bank and a single currency for the Community embodied in Stage Three of the Delors plan. But Britain did not believe that a single bank and a single currency should be imposed on E.C.-member states, he said.

The British minister said U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar was about to launch a new effort to get Turkey to withdraw its troops from northern Cyprus.

Greece has drawn parallels between the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait and the Turkish invasion of Cyprus in 1974, when it sought to establish a client Turkish-Cypriot state in the northern part of the island.

''Hope lies with the efforts of the secretary general,'' the British minister said. Britain, along with Greece and Turkey, became a guarantor state of Cyprus's independence after the British granted independence to the island in 1960.

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#90292u1321 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Gold futures closed Friday 270 to 280 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	372.00	372.80	372.00	372.80	370.10
Nov	372.30	....	....	373.50	370.80
Dec	374.50	377.60	371.80	375.70	373.00
Feb	379.00	381.40	376.00	379.80	377.00
Apr	380.00	384.80	380.00	383.50	380.70
Jun	384.60	387.50	384.60	387.40	384.60
Aug	390.10	391.40	390.10	391.40	388.60
Oct	394.10	395.40	394.10	395.40	392.60
Dec	398.80	400.00	398.80	399.50	396.70
Feb	402.70	404.00	420.70	404.00	401.20
Apr	405.20	408.20	405.20	408.20	405.40
Jun	409.80	412.70	409.80	412.70	410.00
Aug	416.30	417.50	416.30	417.50	414.80

Open interest: 112,287 off 2,345.

Estimated sales: 36,000 contracts.

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#90292u1331 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 19) UPI - Members of the Senate and House will now work in a conference committee to hammer out the differences in rival deficit-reduction bills. The idea is to come up with something that will get a presidential signature. Senators think their version meets that requirement while President Bush has already voiced displeasure with the House measure. It raises income tax rates on the wealthiest Americans. But it also raises middle-income rates with a one-year freeze of inflation adjustments for tax brackets and personal exemptions.

Iraq apparently is feeling the bite from U-N economic sanctions. Baghdad Radio announced today that the Iraqi government will start rationing gas next Tuesday. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has NEVER before resorted to gas rationing, even during the bitter eight-year Iran-Iraq War. Analysts speculate that the lack of spare parts for the country's refineries may have necessitated the move.

The 500-day blueprint to change the Soviet Union's economy is out and a new plan is in, passed by an overwhelming 333-12 vote of the Supreme Soviet. The original plan, bold in its concept, would have dismantled 70 years of tough central control by abandoning all subsidies and by closing unprofitable factories. The new plan is more moderate in its scope. The state will still set prices for most important goods while those prices are revised.

The latest question to come up in a newly unified Germany- what do you do with all of those Soviet war memorials that dot what had been communist East Germany until the people rose up and threw out the communists. The monuments went up at the end of World War Two to remind everyone of what happened. But now Germans are wondering if the monuments should be dismantled or left alone.

Britain's P-and-O Ferries line has been formally absolved in a London court of any responsibility for the 1987 disaster off the coast of Belgium when 193 people died as the ferry Herald of Free Enterprise capsized. The company said the case against it should never have been brought because human error was to blame. The stern loading doors were in an open position when the ferry left port. That allowed thousands of tons of water to flow inside, rolling over the ferry.

Rescue workers in Czechoslovakia are searching for eight coal miners missing in a deadly explosion in a coal mine yesterday. Authorities say 22 other miners were killed in the blast in northern Moravia in central Czechoslovakia. The explosion occurred when a blade of a tunneling machine struck a rock and the resulting sparks ignited a pocket of methane gas. Initial rescue efforts were hampered by an intense fire at the site of the explosion.

In Boise, Idaho, three white supremacists face up to 25 years in prison for plotting last spring to bomb a Seattle disco frequented by homosexuals. 35-year-old Stephen Nelson, 29-year-old Robert Winslow and 58-year-old Proctor Baker were convicted last night by a federal court jury. Nelson and Winslow each face up to 25 years in prison, while Baker faces a maximum of 15 years behind bars. The trio is scheduled for sentencing on January 11th.

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#90292u1344 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	366.75	unchanged
Morning fixing	371.75	up 5.00
Afternoon fixing	372.00	up 5.25
Close	372.50	up 5.75
Paris	373.74	up 2.59
Zurich	373.00	up 4.50
Hong Kong	372.65	up 3.78
New York		
Comex spot close	372.80	up 2.70
Republic cash	372.75	up 2.50
Handy and Harman	372.00	up 4.15

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 373.28 up 4.15 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 391.94 up 4.35 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.258 up	0.06
Republic cash	4.285 up	0.06

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.265 per fine ounce up 0.075

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.27 up 0.075 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.569 up 0.08.

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 411.00 up 11.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 511.00 up 11.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 94.00 up 1.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 109.00 up 1.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90292u1348 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 3 to 10 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.55	9.68	9.46	9.66	9.63
May	9.57	9.71	9.52	9.70	9.62
Jly	9.62	9.75	9.55	9.74	9.65
Oct	9.67	9.77	9.55	9.77	9.67
Mar	9.80	....	....	9.90	9.80

Estimated sales: 11,512 contracts

Open interest: 112,190 off 247

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.65

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday 1 point higher to 8 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.34	23.34	23.27	23.27	23.35
Mar	23.33	23.33	23.25	23.25	23.33
May	23.40	23.40	23.31	23.32	23.40
Jly	23.41	23.41	23.31	23.32	23.40

Sep	23.30	23.30	23.25	23.25	23.31
Nov	23.01	23.02	23.01	23.01	23.01
Jan	23.00	....	....	22.99	22.99

Estimated sales: 613 contracts
Open interest: 10,634 up 73

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#90292u1355 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	358.86	218.00	138.75	19.83	305.74
Opening	363.94	220.48	140.05	20.23	309.98
11 a.m.	363.31	221.03	139.79	20.10	309.36
Noon	363.40	220.52	139.85	20.07	309.39
1 p.m.	363.51	220.50	139.74	20.08	309.43
2 p.m.	363.18	220.27	139.78	20.06	309.20
3 p.m.	363.73	220.19	140.08	20.11	309.71

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#90292u1363 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - Major anti-crime legislation and campaign finance reform were all but written off Friday as Congress scheduled a rare weekend session to begin the annual adjournment drive. Other major bills could also fall.

House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Mass., and Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine would not pinpoint a target day for adjournment of the 101st Congress but appeared to be gunning for the end of next week at the latest.

The Senate and House planned to spend the weekend on the 13 appropriations bill to finance the government in fiscal 1991, none of which have been sent to the White House for President Bush's signature. The budget year began Oct. 1.

At the same time, Senate and House negotiators began meeting in an effort to find a compromise package to cut the deficit by $40 billion this year and $500 billion over five years.

The negotiators, expected to meet well into the weekend, must reconcile the Senate and House bills in a fashion acceptable to the administration. If they fail, the government faces the threat of a shutdown at midnight Wednesday.

Bush, speaking to a group of Italian-Americans at the White House, sounded the

end for the anti-crime bill - still in conference - that greatly expands the federal death penalty and short-cuts the appeals process for death row innmates.

''We're not getting the support I want on the crime bill,'' Bush said. ''We've had a different approach to it. Ours is hardline. Ours is tough and I think it's proper.''

''I regret very much they have not come through and given us a crime bill that I can sign,'' the president added. ''And I don't think that we're going to get it before the end of the session.''

Mitchell, asked if the crime bill has a chance to pass in the waning days of the session, replied, ''I hope so,'' but was much less optimistic about its chance that he was about other major bills waiting final action.

It was Mitchell who sounded the end for campaign finance reform bill, victim of an intractable impasse between Democrats and Republicans. Democrats insisted on candidate spending ceilings and Republicans refused despite a long series of negotiations.

''That doesn't seem to be coming together,'' Mitchell said of the bill, adding that despite a ''lot of accomplishments,'' the failure to pass campaign finance reform ''would be my greatest disappointment.''

Bush, Foley and Mitchell were much more optimistic about passage of a clean air bill, although it remains in Senate-House negotiations. Both Foley and Mitchell said Congress must finish that legislation.

Bush said he was ''dissapointed that we have't finalized a clean air bill'' and complained the legislation ''got caught up with a lot of extremists'' in the House.

''We're not home yet, but I'm hoping that we will be,'' Bush said.

A new farm bill that cuts farm spending by $13.6 billion for five years and a housing bill that overhauls several housing programs and puts them into grants to states and localities appear headed for passage.

Another major bill, to help working families pay for day care, is listed as a priority and was given new impetus this week when the White House and Senate, but not the House, agreed on a compromise legislation.

Putting added pressure on congressional leaders to adjourn is the little time incumbents have to campaign before the Nov. 6 elections.

Records show that closet adjournment dates to general elections since World War II was 17 days in 1966, a mark that was equaled in both 1986 and 1988. The

101st Congress is sure to set a new standard.

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#90292u1380 10/19/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 19) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in active trading.

Bonds - Higher.

American Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed slightly higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in active trading.

Dollar - Slightly higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1/4 to 1, soybeans up 1/2 to 4, wheat unchanged to up 3/4 and oats unchanged to off 1/4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90292u1388 10/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Americans piled up an additional 20 percent in debt on their principal credit cards through the end of 1989 despite high interest rates and a slowing U.S. economy, an industry compilation released Friday showed.

The nation's consumers had total receivables of $147.1 billion on their Visa, Mastercard, Discover and American Express Optima cards at the end of 1989, up 20 percent from $122.6 billion at year-end 1988.

The four credit card companies saw total charge activity rise 15 percent, to $269.9 billion compared with $258.7 billion in 1988.

The 1989 receivables total was more than double the $69.6 billion owed in 1985 said the Credit Card Management Card Industry Directory, published by Faulkner & Gray, a subsidiary of JPT Publishing Group, New York.

Americans using their charge cards as credit vehicles were undeterred by high interest rates, said director and editor Katherine Morrall.

''While the average (interest rate) among the 250 largest (bank and other financial company) issuers of credit cards is 17 percent, the average among the 25 largest is 19.5 percent, up from 19 percent a year earlier,'' she said.

Visa led with a 45.1 percent market share, vs. 44.6 in 1988. Mastercard eased to 28.1 percent from 29 percent. American Express fell back to a 21.9 percent share from 22.6 percent. Discover rose to 4.9 percent from 3.9 percent

The directory said aggressive growth by the credit card industry had produced higher consumer credit losses. Bad-debt losses for Mastercard and Visa totaled $4.2 billion in 1989, up from $1.6 billion five years before.

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#90292u1403 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - President Bush asked Congress Friday to revise the Civil Rights Act of 1990 or face a certain veto of the measure he maintains would lead to quotas in the workplace.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said if Bush does veto the legislation, he would promptly send to Capitol Hill his own bill that would ''protect our citizens but not create quotas.''

Fitzwater expressed a renewed willingness to compromise on the emotion-packed issue, however. He said Bush might consider delaying his veto or even signing the bill - but only if Congress first passed resolutions promising to make revisions in the bill that satisfy administration concerns.

''The president wants a civil rights bill,'' the press secretary said. ''(But) it is clear that this is a quota bill that would set back the course of civil rights.''

House and Senate backers of the bill, along with major civil rights and women's groups, sharply disagree. They maintain that the legislation would provide equality in the workplace without quotas.

The bill would reverse or modify several Supreme Court decisions in recent years that supporters say weakened civil rights laws and made it tougher for women and blacks to prove discrimination.

Despite extensive changes to state that the bill does not seek quotas, the administration contends that the measure would lead to a crush of litigation and prompt employers to impose quotas to protect themselves.

The House approved the measure by a 273-154 vote Wednesday. The day before,

the Senate it passed it, 62-34. The margins are short of the two-thirds needed to override a veto.

Fitzwater said the bill could reach Bush's desk later Friday. Once it does, the president will have 10 days to decide whether to sign or veto. ''Clearly, if it is not changed, it will be vetoed,'' the press secretary said.

Bush met Thursday with key Republicans backers of the bill, who afterward were quoted as saying that they think that a compromise is still possible.

But Rep. Augustus Hawkins, D-Calif., a chief sponsor of the measure, said in a floor speech Friday that no talks were under way with the White House and urged Bush to sign the bill.

Earlier this week, Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., another major sponsor, said further talks were possible, but said Congress was not willing to accept new language that ''would make discrimination more likely.''

Fitzwater said, ''We're willing to talk to anyone who is interested.''

At about noon Friday, dozens of demonstrators paraded out the White House chanting, ''We want civil rights now.''

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#90292u1425 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (OCT. 19) UPI - France's stock exchange watchdog body Friday ordered an inquiry into an unusual public earnings prediction by the normally highly secretive Michelin tire corporation after the pessimistic forecast sent the company's shares tumbling on the bourse.

The Commission des Operations de bourse, the French equivalent of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, said the probe would focus ''on the conditions of the diffusion of financial information concerning the Michelin company as well as on the movements that have affected its shares.''

The world market leader in tyre production Thursday announced a provisional loss for 1990 of $500 million, compared with a 1989 profit of $430 million. The prediction was made to 100 financial experts and journalists invited especially to the group's headquarters at the city of Clermont-Ferrand Thursday on condition they not break an embargo set for 5:30 p.m. after the bourse closed.

Almost inevitably some of the scribes broke the embargo and Michelin shares crashed fell 8 percent on the Paris stock exchange.

Group President Francois Michelin protested vehemently Thursday that his trust had been betrayed when he had sought to be open for a change about the

company's future.

But the stock exchange watchdog body takes the view such predictions should be published before the bourse opens for business or the previous evening to prevent possible insider trading.

Michelin justified its strategy on grounds it now is the world leader in the tyre business following its spring acquisition of former U.S. competitor Uniroyal-Goodrich.

Company officials attributed the predicted loss to the decline in the value of the dollar and sterling affecting earnings from U.S. and British subsidiaries as well as a depressed world automobile market and a price war caused by fierce competition.

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#90292u1447 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - Vice President and Mrs. Dan Quayle are scheduled to attend the enthronement ceremony of Emperor Akihito in Tokyo, Nov. 10-14, it was announced Friday.

While in Japan, the vice president will participate in bilateral meetings with representatives of a number of countries attending the ceremony.

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#90292u1455 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.98

60 to 89 days 7.90

90 to 119 days 7.90

120 to 149 days 7.82

150 to 179 days 7.77

180 to 270 days 7.70

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.10 - 7.86

Issuers 30 days 8.02

Issuers 90 days 7.92

Issuers 270 days 7.55

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.09

60 to 89 days 8.09

90 to 119 days 8.10

120 to 149 days 8.09

150 to 179 days 8.09

180 days 8.09

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.875 - 8.00

1 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

3 month 8.125 - 8.25

6 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

Year 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.25 - 7.23

6 months 7.19 - 7.17

Year 7.06 - 7.04

Federal Funds: High 8, Low 7 7/8, Close 7 7/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.852 off 0.012.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1059.7
Thursday	1054.0
Week ago	1068.5
Month ago	1093.4
Year ago	1100.8
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1052.3

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#90292u1476 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay (OCT. 19) UPI - Iran and Jordan joined 10 other nations Friday in approving a world resolution condemning Iraq for using ''torture and murder'' in enforcing its occupation of Kuwait.

The resolution is certain to be adopted by the majority of 800 delegates, with only minor modifications, in Saturday's final session of the six-day annual meeting of the World Interparliamentary Union, Frances Pierre Cournillon, the group's secretary general, told United Press International.

''There is a consensus by the majority that this will be approved tomorrow,'' he said. ''There may be some editing changes, but not the content.''

Delegates from Jordan, whose government has close ties to Iraq, and Iran, which in recent days re-established diplomatic ties to Iraq, joined 10 other nations in drafting the text of the resolution.

The other nations represented on the committee, which unanimously approved the text of the document after drafting it, include India, Cyprus, France, Morrocco, Senegal, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, Switzerland, Soviet Union and Uruguay.

The World Interparliamentary Union, representing legislative bodies in 113 countries, was founded in 1889 to further world peace. Its annual meetings adopt resolutions that are recommended for action by parliaments of the member nations.

The text of the resolution on Iraq's invasion of Kuwait denounced ''the systematic persecution, torture, and murder of the Kuwait people on the part of Iraqi troops, in an effort to intimidate and eliminate the legitimate populaiton.''

It called for a ''peaceful solution'' to the crisis and the ''re-establishment of the sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity of Kuwait.''

In debate Friday, Israeli delegate Joshua Matza prompted howls of protest from Arab representatives when he denounced Yasser Arafat, chief of the Palestinian Liberation Organization, as well as Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein as being ''professional criminals.''

''Hussein has threatened Israel with destruction even before the invasion of Kuwait, and Arafat joined him by announcing he would enter Jerusaleum with his Arab brother,'' Matza said.

Delegates from Jordan, Iraq and Iran interjected, protesting that the rules of the Interparliamentary Union forbid direct references to heads of state during debate.

PLO representative Ahmad Sobah said Palestininans wanted a ''peaceful solution'' to the Iraq-Kuwait crisis but ''within an Arab context.''

He asked Israel to immediately leave ''occupied Palestinian territory'' and said ''Israel lacks any moral merit to give anybody lessons.''

Delegates from Sweden, Italy and Algeria proposed a resolution condemning Israel for ''responsibility'' in the killing of 21 Palestinians on Oct. 18 in clashes at religious sites, but the proposal was referred to committee rather than the plenary session because of lack of time, according to sources in the world organization.

The text of the resolution on the invasion of Kuwait urged the Iraqi delegates to the world body to show the text of the document to officials of their government.

The resolution expressed support for U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq and asked that all the governments of the world support it.

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 19) UPI - The economic impact of the Persian Gulf crisis could impede Eastern Europe's transition to a market economy, thrust the world's poorest countries deeper into poverty and create a new group of debtor nations, a U.N. report said Friday.

By driving up oil prices and interest rates, the report said, the gulf problems are expected to heighten the external debt crisis that has crippled many developing countries for more than a decade.

These countries' external debt, accumulated primarily to pay for huge government deficits and development programs, has reached $1.2 trillion, according to one estimate cited in the report.

''The benefits that a few will reap from the increases in oil prices are greatly overshadowed by the interest rate cost to be born by all indebted countries,'' said former Italian Prime Minister Bettino Craxi, who was appointed by U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to assess the impact of the debt crisis on development.

Craxi said preliminary estimates indicate that the gulf crisis will cut the growth rate of industrialized countries by one-half percent in 1991. The impact on developing countries is expected to be ''much more severe.''

''The political and economic developments of recent months should heighten awareness of the frequency and seriousness of local conflicts and their expansion to the international arena,'' Craxi said.

The report said the tightening of the world money supply will have major ramifications in most regions, including: the stagnation of economic growth for many low-income countries, particularly in Africa; the creation of new debtor nations, especially in South Asia; a dropoff in the flow of funds to deeply indebted countries that export oil, such as Mexico and Nigeria; and balance-of-payment difficulties for the former East bloc.

The Persian Gulf crisis has erupted at a time when the strains on the international economic liquidity are increasing, in part because Eastern Europe's movement toward a market economy will require a major infusion of capital.

''A special effort must be made to provide financial backing to the countries of Eastern Europe during their transition to a market economy in order to avert serious social shocks,'' Craxi said.

Craxi's assessment was part of a report on the external debt crisis that includes recommendations ''to lessen that part of the international debt burden which breeds war, poverty and environmental degradation.''

Craxi, who will address the United Nations Tuesday, called for more debt rescheduling and debt-service forgiveness, reduced interest rates, more emphasis on debt-for-equity swaps, and a strengthening of the U.S. government's Brady Plan for debt relief.

The plan, worked out by U.S. Secretary of the Treasury Nicholas Brady, called for international banks to forgive at least 20 percent of external debts of some of the poorest countries.

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#90292u1483 10/19/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 19) UPI - President Bush met today with a top Kremlin analyst just back from a visit to Iraq. And Bush later said that Iraq's Saddam Hussein will NOT be rewarded by any compromise on the position that he unconditionally get out of Kuwait. The comments follow a meeting with Yevgeni Primakov, a member of the Soviet Presidential Council and one of that country's top Arab specialists. Primakov told reporters that he did NOT return from Iraq with any mesage or offer from Saddam.

President Bush says the Senate version of a 500-BILLION-dollar budget reduction plan offers real hope of getting the deficit under control. The measure passed on a 54D-T following 30 hours of debate spread over two days. It is different in tone and scope from a bill passed by the House, and a conference committee must now iron out those differences before a unified bill is sent to the White House.

A massive pile-up on a fog-shrouded German autobahn near Nueremberg has left 11 people dead and 73 others injured, 33 seriously. Police say about 200 vehicles were involved in the crash. Several of the cars caught fire. Officials say similar crashes have occurred in the past, particularly in the fall, when fog is often extremely dense.

The unification of Europe planned by 1992 must also include a unified currency if money speculators are to be discouraged. That's the opinion of Henning Christophersen, the European Community's commissioner for financial and economic affairs. A common currency is supposed to come in the last part of a three-stage unification effort in Europe, but Christophersen says he feels the process should be moved up higher in the chain of planned events.

An English professor from Duke University took the stand in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, today in the obscenity trial of the rap music group 2 Live Crew. Henry Gates Junior testified for the defense that the sexually explicit music of the group uses gross exaggeration to poke fun at black stereotypes. And he said the music does NOT encourage violence against women.

Crews are continuing to dig up two fields southeast of Houston where 44 bodies originally donated to a medical school have been unearthed. The grim work

began on Wednesday, following the indictment of 44-year- old Richard Herrin Junior. Herrin was paid by Texas Chiropractic College to cremate 80 cadavers but prosecutors claim he instead dumped some of them in mass graves and may have burned others in two industrial paper incinerators.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 19) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.48 3/4-2.53 3/4 unch.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.03 1/2- 6.12 1/2 up 1 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.16 1/4-2.28 1/4 up 1/4-2 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.28 1/4-2.32 3/4 up 1/4.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Alaska Air Group (3rd Q 9-30)	
$295,650,000	$268,920,000
$19,742,000 (1.35)	$23,505,000 (1.48)
American Brands (3rd Q 9-30)	
$3,866,900,000	$3,062,900,000
a-$230,800,000 (1.16)	$166,400,000 (.86)
a-Includes a gain of $31 million, or 16 cents a share, on sale of Theodorus Niemeyer.	
Share net reflects 2-for-1 stock split paid Oct.9.	
Bank of New England Corp (3rd Q 9-30)	
....	....
d-$123,158,000	$42,745,000 (.61)
d-Deficit.	
Bank South Corp (3rd Q 9-30)	
....	....
d-$13,874,000	$12,240,000 (.36)
d-Deficit.	

Centel Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$334,661,000 $302,212,000
$20,937,000 (.24) $203,052,000 (2.34)

Central Ill Public Service (3rd Q 9-30)
$171,701,000 $159,569,000
$38,178,000 (1.08) $36,212,000 (1.02)

Cincinnati Gas & Elec Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$342,621,000 $316,810,000
$62,394,000 (1.09) $63,589,000 (1.15)

Commonwealth Edison Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,724,107,000 $1,767,456,000
$333,966,000 (1.48) $361,129,000 (1.59)

Crown Cork & Seal Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$984,019,000 $509,764,000
$32,199,000 (1.12) $29,017,000 (1.10)

Kellogg Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,351,600,000 $1,195,400,000
$162,300,000 (1.34) $123,100,000 (1.02)

Kimball International (1st Q 9-30)
$144,752,000 $154,294,000
$9,325,000 (.44) $10,147,000 (.48)

Meredith Corp (1st Q 9-30)
$179,411,000 $173,095,000
$60,936,000 (3.62) $9,317,000 (.50)

Midlantic Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
....
d-$159,042,000 $66,100,000 (1.72)
d-Deficit.

Newell Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$281,104,000 $296,777,000
$27,408,000 (.45) $24,540,000 (.41)

New England Elec System (3rd Q 9-30)
$476,250,000 $414,607,000
$162,687,000 (2.55) $33,043,000 (.57)

PPG Industries (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,471,700,000 $1,360,100,000

a-$107,100,000 (1.00) b-$106,700,000 (.097)
a-Includes a charge equivalent to 4 cents a share related to the restructuring of PPG's ink business.

Schulman A Inc (4th Q 8-31)
$175,049,000 $142,605,000
$10,911,000 (.54) $8,668,000 (.43)

Southwestern Public Service (Year 8-31)
$769,451,000 $798,782,000
a-$119,045,000 (2.73) $107,842,000 (2.45)
a-Results include $12.4 million in investment tax credits and $1.6 million in related revenues and interest.

Zenith Electronics (3rd Q 9-29)
$342,300,000 $376,800,000
d-$11,600,000 d-$24,100,000
d-Deficit.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	64 7-8	up 1
AT&T Company	33 3-8	up 1 3-8
BCE Inc	31	up 1-8
Bell Atlantic	52 1-8	up 1 5-8
BellSouth Corp	52 1-8	up 5-8
Exxon Corp	49 3-4	up 1 1-4
Ford Motor Co	31	up 3-8
Genl Electric	55 5-8	up 1 1-8
General Motors	37 1-2	up 1 1-8
GTE Corp	28 1-4	up 3-8
IBM Corp	106 3-8	up 1
Mobil Oil Corp	59 1-8	up 2 3-8
Nynex Corp	70 3-4	unch
Pac Gas & Elec	23 1-4	off 1-8
Pacific Telesis	45 1-2	up 3-8
Phila Electric	16 3-8	off 3-8
Sears Roebuck	25 5-8	up 1 3-4
Southern Co	26 1-8	up 1-2
Sthwestern Bell	53 3-8	unch
US West Inc	37 5-8	up 1-8

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#90292u1504 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (OCT. 19) UPI - The trial of busted thrift owner Don Dixon took a bizarre twist Friday when a California newspaper reported that nude photographs have surfaced of a call girl killed after attending one of Dixon's beachhouse parties.

Dixon is not a suspect in the case, though investigators say he purchased the services of 20 call girls, including victim Donna Gentile, for a party at his Solana Beach, Calif., home, the San Diego Union reported. The nude body of Gentile - her mouth stuffed with rocks - was found the day after the two-day party concluded, sources told the newspaper.

According to the newspaper, the women were ordered to attend by Karen Wilkening, the convicted ''Rolodex madam'' now serving 44 months in prison on prostitution-related charges. Wilkening was released to the custody of the FBI to testify for the prosecution in the Dixon case.

''I don't think what I would have to say would make a difference one way or another,'' Wilkening told the Tribune.

The photographs, in the possession of police, were 35mm snapshots, and investigators are trying to determine who took them and when, the newspaper reported.

It is unclear the significance investigators are placing on the pictures. Investigators have hinted a police officer may have been involved in the photo taking.

Investigators are concentrating on allegations against unnamed police officers Assistant San Diego Police Chief Norm Stamper told the newspaper.

Dixon, a Texas builder who bought a small hometown thrift and expanded it into a $1.7 billion enterprise, is accused of falsifying records to conceal the source of money for political contributions, to pay prostitutes and to support his lavish lifestyle. The money, according to a 38-count indictment, came from Dixon's thrift, Vernon Savings & Loan, which collapsed in 1987, requiring a taxpayer bailout of $1.3 billion.

The newspaper said the California party was held for 20 financiers and included cocktails and an evening cruise. It began on June 21, 1985, and ended the following day.

Jury selection was expected to last through Friday with opening arguments late Monday. The trial is expected to last at least a month.

Dixon, who describes himself as an unemployed financial consultant, was able to expand his thrift assets quickly by urging his top executives to make

high-dollar commercial loans, all backed by government guarantees. Business deals included a horse farm and gambling casinos.

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#90292u1518 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.20	up 0.07
10 Public Utils	91.51	up 0.06
10 Industrials	86.89	up 0.08

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#90292u1523 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT 19) UPI - The Chinese government assailed Friday a House vote to withdraw preferential status for trade with the United States on human rights grounds, warning the move would cause a ''serious slideback'' in overall relations.

The State Department joined the Chinese criticism, for different reasons, saying that it would harm U.S. business interests and slow the opening of China to outside influences.

The swift response, in a statement by the Chinese Foreign Ministry, came just one day after the House, on a 247-174 vote, passed legislation to remove most-favored-nation trade status for China this year to pressure Beijing to ease domestic repression.

The preferential trade status guarantees the lowest possible tariffs on imports into the United States. Its withdrawal would impose huge duties on Chinese goods and make billions of dollars worth of Chinese exports too expensive for the U.S. market.

President Bush recertified China for most-favored-nation status despite concern over its human rights record in the wake of its violent crackdown in June 1989 on pro-democracy protesters at Beijing's Tiananmen Square.

In its statement, the Chinese Foreign Ministry said the House action ''will exert destructive impact on the economic and trade relations between the two countries and will surely result in a serious slideback of the bilateral relations between the two countries.''

The statement also criticized other pending legislation in the House that would force several conditions on the president's next recertification of China for most-favored-nation status next year.

The Foreign Ministry, however, appeared to take note of the likelihood that Bush would veto any such legislation if it also passes the Senate.

''We hope that the U.S. government will make a wise decision on this matter by proceeding from the overall and long-term interests of Sino- U.S. relations,'' the statement said. ''The Chinese will be following closely the development of this matter.''

At the State Department, spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said, ''The withdrawal of China's most-favored-nation status as mandated in House Resolution 647 would have severe consequences for United States business, those Chinese who are working for a modernizing China open to the West, and Hong Kong's capitalistic free market economy, which depends heavily on the continuation of U.S.-China trade and investment.''

She said, ''The most powerful means we have for promoting positive change in China are to maintain the broadest possible range of people- to-people contacts. Most-favored-nation status ... we believe helps us to do that. While the administration shares the human rights objectives of the House Resolution 4939, it believes this can be done best by keeping China's economy open to the outside world and maintaining the broadest possible range of people-to-people contacts.''

The Chinese statement was relatively mild. Previously, the Chinese government has punctuated its responses to such votes by Congress with angry condemnations of interference in China's internal affairs.

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#90292u1547 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 8 points higher to 35 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	72.93	73.58	72.93	73.23	73.21
Mar	73.21	73.90	73.21	73.63	73.55
May	73.85	74.20	73.85	73.97	74.07
Jly	73.95	74.25	73.95	74.00	74.10
Oct	68.00	....	....	68.10	68.30
Dec	66.70	66.73	66.50	66.70	66.90
Mar	67.70	67.75	67.70	67.65	68.00

Estimated sales: 4,500 contracts
Open interest: 39,891 up 155
The World spot average: 70.13

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#90292u1558 10/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Friday - $41,860,000
1990 to date - $8,940,985,000

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#90292u1562 10/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:
Stocks - 221,480,000 shares
1990 to date - 32,243,422,252
Warrants - 1,981,100
1990 to date - 205,020,000

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#90292u1563 10/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:
Stocks - 12,940,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,798,783,770
Bonds - $3,580,000
1990 to date - $588,796,000

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#90292u1564 10/19/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 19) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 170.40 up 3.27
ASE Market Value Index 293.71 up 1.87
Dow-Jones Industrial 2520.05 up 67.33

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#90292u1574 10/19/1990 ~United Press International
TORONTO (OCT. 19) UPI - The Canada-United States free trade agreement is a source of economic growth and talk of a continental free trade zone shows the value of the deal, Canada's finance minister said Friday.

Michael Wilson told several hundred people at a business luncheon that there were now 300,000 more jobs in Canada than existed before the bilateral deal was implemented in January, 1989.

''Yes, there are jobs we have lost to the U.S., just as there are jobs that Americans have lost to Canada,'' Wilson said. ''That's what happens when you have more open trade.''

But Wilson said the bilateral deal ''continues to represent a dramatic source

of economic growth and long-term strength to Canada.''

The Canada-United States free trade agreement is aimed at eliminating tariffs on most goods over next decade and the two sides are currently involved in a second round of talks to accelerate tariff reductions.

Last May, the two countries signed a deal to advance the cutting of duties on more than 400 items covering $5.1 billion in trade.

Wilson said the opportunities created by the free trade deal made it all the more important that Canada be involved in talks on a possible continental free trade zone. Wilson did not outline those opportunities.

In September, Canada asked to participate in talks over the next few months with Mexico and the United States to determine Canada's role in negotiations that could lead to a trilateral deal.

''For me, the very fact that Mexico has embraced such talks is real evidence of the value of our current agreement,'' Wilson said.

Wilson said of Mexico: ''Here is a nation with less economic muscle than we muster, recognizing that its growth and prosperity depends on direct and assured access to the world's largest market.''

Total U.S.-Canada trade in goods amounted to $167.5 billion in 1989, up 4 percent from 1988, Canadian trade figures indicated.

Besides tariffs, the Canada-U.S. deal also eases restrictions on government procurement, services, investment and border measures.

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#90292u1575 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 19) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Friday	-	9,834,000
1990 to date	-	2,028,842,000

The market closed higher.

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#90292u1589 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	293.71	up	1.87
High Technology	291.88	up	3.18
Capital Goods	310.81	up	2.36
Consumer Goods	362.14	up	3.28
Service	639.17	up	5.87

Retail	907.55	up	28.37
Financial	343.16	up	0.65
Natural Resources	255.31	off	0.25
Housing-Const-Land	263.71	up	2.83

There was a gain of 6 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS			
New England	373.38	off	0.26
Mid Atlantic	383.05	up	.84
No Central	381.25	up	9.50
So Atlantic	799.62	up	10.74
So Central	297.95	up	2.90
Mountain	105.23	up	0.69
Pacific	331.72	up	1.38
Foreign	222.01	off	0.31

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#90292u1599 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 19) UPI - (Dow Jones has revised the close)

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2520.79	up	68.07
20 Trans	868.16	up	11.28
15 Utils	209.88	up	1.57
65 Stocks	887.42	up	17.58

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#90292u1603 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(Dow Jones has revised the close)

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2520.79	up	68.07	868.16	up	11.28	209.88	up	1.57
Thursday	2452.72	up	64.85	856.88	up	34.95	208.31	up	0.82
Week ago	2398.02	up	32.92	829.70	up	5.74	205.86	up	3.90
Month ago	2512.38	off	5.94	876.66	off	3.33	201.71	up	1.38
Year ago	2689.14	up	5.94	1230.80	off	32.71	215.48	up	0.06
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90292u1604 10/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Friday.

Stock	Volume		Close	Chg.
Apple Comptr	(AAPL)	275,922,688	31 3/8	up 2 7/8
Microsoft	(MSFT)	129,993,808	62	up 7/8
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	120,797,936	28 1/8	up 1/4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	104,100,432	34 3/4	up 3/4
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	62,238,048	43 3/4	off 7/8
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	44,668,636	21 3/8	off 1 1/2
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	42,122,600	20	up 5/8
Reuter Hldgs	(RTRS)	29,066,324	41	off 3/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	22,858,672	24	up 1 3/8
Cisco Systems	(CSCO)	22,330,436	28 3/4	up 2 1/4

Composite Index 147.94 up 1.50

NMS volume 123,196,704 shares.

Advances	889
Declines	576
Unchanged	1,330
Total	2,795

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#90292u1606 10/19/1990 ~United Press International
MONTEVIDEO (OCT. 19) UPI - The Uruguayan economy, burdened by its highest inflation in 15 years, is suffering growing unemployment and a 13.7 percent drop in real wage earnings, an official report showed Friday.

The report from the General Direction of Statistics and Census said the unemployment rate in Uruguay for the June-August trimester rose to 9.16 percent, up from 8.5 percent the preceding trimester.

Real wage earnings dropped 13.7 percent between January and August, the report said, and fell 12.2 percent in the last 12 months.

Analysts said the worsening situation for Uruguayan workers was caused by the inability of the administration of President Luis Alberto Lacalle to so far contain rising prices.

Inflation between January and September rose 93.5 percent, the highest increase in the last 17 years. The cost of living rose 128.93 percent in the last 12 months, official figures showed.

The Uruguayan government raised gas prices 65 percent in less than two months

following the outbreak of the Persian Gulf crisis in early August, sparking prices of other products to increase as well, analysts said.

Uruguay, a country the size of Washington state on the southern coastal border of Brazil, imports all of its annual consumption of 9 million barrels of petroleum, and this year had to pay prices ''unanticipated for in the state budget,'' said Economy Minister Enrique Braga.

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#90292u1624 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	28.30-28.35	31.55-31.60
North Sea Brent	32.00-32.05	35.60-35.65
West Texas Intermed	33.75-33.85	36.75-36.85
Light Louisiana Sweet	34.10-34.25	37.00-37.15
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	92.40-92.90	96.45-96.70
No. 2 Heating oil	86.65-86.90	95.10-95.25
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	86.40-86.65	91.45-91.70
No. 2 Heating oil	85.65-85.75	93.50-93.65

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2489.85	2536.88	2453.47	2520.79	up 68.07
20 Trans	871.67	883.32	854.47	868.16	up 11.28
15 Utils	209.26	211.08	207.05	209.88	up 1.57
65 Stock	881.77	895.51	868.37	887.42	up 17.58

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	37,805,700	25,756,400
Trans	6,324,200	5,177,300
Utils	4,836,800	5,279,700
65 Stock	48,966,700	36,213,400

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.20	up 0.07
10 Public Utils	91.51	up 0.06
10 Industrials	86.89	up 0.08

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 127.59 up 0.13.

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#90292u1637 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	358.86	218.00	138.75	19.83	305.74
Opening	363.94	220.48	140.05	20.23	309.98
11 a.m.	363.31	221.03	139.79	20.10	309.36
Noon	363.40	220.52	139.85	20.07	309.39
1 p.m.	363.51	220.50	139.74	20.08	309.43
2 p.m.	363.18	220.27	139.78	20.06	309.20
3 p.m.	363.73	220.19	140.08	20.11	309.71
Close	367.42	221.71	140.42	20.27	312.48
Change	up 8.56	up 3.71	up 1.67	up 0.44	up 6.74

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#90292u1641 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - The Senate approved $85 million in U.S. military aid to El Salvador Friday, but only if the Central American nation meets five conditions, including investigation and prosecution of the killers who murdered six Jesuit priests almost a year ago.

The Senate voted 74-25 to cap the aid at $85 million and to impose conditions in an effort to put more pressure on the El Salvador government to negotiate a cease-fire and settlement with rebel forces, under the auspices of the United Nations.

The amendment was added to the $15.5 billion foreign aid appropriations bill but still faced a challenge from a competing plan sponsored by Republicans and backed by the administration.

''If anything is going to change in El Salvador, the United States must bring pressure on both sides,'' said Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt.

But Sen. Steve Symms, R-Idaho, said, ''What we're doing here is tying the hands of our allies so that they cannot get rid of and cleanse and purge themselves of these terrorists through military operations.''

The legislation would deny any military aid if President Bush tells Congress that El Salvador refuses to negotiate a peace settlement, rejects an active mediation role by the United Nations, refuses to comply with a U.N. plan for a settlement including a cease-fire, fails to investigate and prosecute those responsible for the Jesuit murders; or engages in violence against civilians.

If the money is withheld for any of these reasons, the assistance could only be resumed with the approval of Congress.

Under the amendment, El Salvador would get half of the $85 million and any money in the pipeline unless Bush determines the rebel FMLN are not meeting a set of similiar conditions.

These include a a refusal to negotiate a peace settlement, refusal of an active mediation role by the United Nations, refusal to comply with a U.N. plan for a settlement during a cease-fire, receive a significant amount of lethal equipment from abroad, launch an offensive to topple the government, and engages in acts of violence against civilians.

In the event both sides are moving toward a resolution of their conflict under U.N. supervision the 50 percent of military aid held back would be used to monitor a cease-fire, demobilize combatants and assists in the transition to peacetime activities.

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#90292u1644 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - The dollar gained some strength against most key currencies Friday in New York dealings on a mixture of pre-weekend protective buying of the U.S. currency and some sentiment it was going too cheap.

But currency traders said the dominant factor was the impending weekend, over which market participants saw the risk of Gulf hostilities and bought dollars to offset their short, or dollar-selling, positions.

Fighting in the Gulf would probably spark at least a short-term flight to the dollar, overriding U.S. economic drawbacks and expectations of lower interest rates when Congress and the administration strike a budget deal.

In late New York dealings, the dollar was quoted at 1.5010 German marks, up from 1.4970 marks Thursday, and 126.00 Japanese yen, up from 124.40.

''It's very difficult to separate out short-covering before a weekend and a sustainable correction'' of too-low dollar rates, said foreign exchange

manager Valerie Walker of the Harris Bank in New York.

Walker saw something of a correction against the yen, but added, ''Net, people feel as though the reasons why we sold the dollar so aggressively in past sessions have not dissipated.''

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2675 Swiss francs, up from 1.2585; 5.0300 French francs, down from 5.0440; and 1,125 Italian lire, up from 1,121.50.

The pound retreated to $1.9600 compared with $1.9710.

In Europe the dollar closed mostly lower against the major currencies. It was under pressure because of the lack of a concrete budget agreement and fears of stagflation - inflation and low growth - in the U.S. economy, dealers said.

''It's been quite an erratic day for the dollar,'' said Ifty Islam, a dealer at the Barclays de Zoete Wedd investment bank. ''But there is some feeling it has been oversold, especially against the yen.''

But dealers expected the dollar to keep falling over the long-term against a strong German mark and against the Japanese yen, based on anticipated cuts in the U.S. interest rate following a budget agreement.

In Frankfurt the dollar fell to 1.5088 German marks vs. 1.5105 Thursday, and also declined in Zurich, to 1.2670 Swiss francs against 1.2745.

In London, the pound gained to finish at $1.9635 against $1.9540.

The dollar slipped in Brussels and Milan, closing at 30.99 Belgian francs vs. 31.10, and 1,128.25 Italian lire vs. 1,131.755. But it moved up in Paris to end at 5.0515 French francs compared with 5.0465.

Earlier, the U.S. dollar rebounded slightly against the Japanese yen in Tokyo Friday on position-adjustment buying ahead of the weekend.

The dollar closed at 125.25 yen, up 0.85 yen over Thursday's closing rate of 124.40 yen, the Bank of Japan said.

Foreign exchange dealers said the dollar opened on a firm note on Mideast war rumors, but later was sold after comments by Japanese Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto saying the yen's rise ''is not so excessive.''

In Zurich, gold closed higher at $373 an ounce against $368.50, and was also higher in London at $372.50 an ounce vs. $366.71.

Silver closed unchanged in Zurich at $4.25 an ounce, but was higher in London at $4.28 an ounce vs. $4.23.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $372.75 an ounce, up from $370.25 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $372.80 an ounce, a gain from $370.10.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.285 an ounce, up from $4.225. Comex silver closed at $4.258 an ounce, up from $4.198.

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#90292u1645 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Citicorp	7,045,800	13 1/4	up 1/8
Philip Morris	4,292,600	48 3/8	up 1 1/2
Fedl Home Ln	3,604,400	32 7/8	off 5
Motorola Inc	3,111,900	51 3/8	off 4 1/2
Fedl Natl Mtge	2,873,700	27 7/8	off 3/8
Genl Electric	2,798,400	55 1/2	up 1
AT&T Co	2,760,800	33 1/2	up 1 1/2
IBM Corp	2,657,900	107 3/4	up 2 3/8
Exxon Corp	2,554,900	49 7/8	up 1 3/8
Lilly Eli	2,513,900	74	off 4
Wal-Mart Stores	2,463,700	27 3/4	up 1 3/8
American Express	2,389,100	18 7/8	up 1/2
PepsiCo	2,378,200	25	up 1 1/8
Coca-Cola	2,297,200	45 3/4	up 2 3/8
Baxter Intl	2,193,200	26 7/8	up 3/8

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#90292u1647 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

PORTLAND, Ore. (OCT. 19) UPI - A neo-Nazi acknowledged Friday that attacks on Oregon minorities increased with the arrival of racist skinheads tied to a group that allegedly incited the murder of a black man.

Testifying in a wrongful death lawsuit filed against California white supremacist Tom Metzger, neo-Nazi Rickey Cooper said he wrote of the increased attacks in the October 1988 issue of his Socialist Vanguard Report.

The paper was published the month before three skinheads fatally beat and kicked an Ethiopian student in Portland, allegedly as a result of Metzger's racist teachings.

The Southern Poverty Law Center and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith have sued Metzger, alleging he incited and should be held responsible for the beating death of Mulugeta Seraw, who was killed outside his Portland apartment

Nov. 12, 1988.

Metzger, 52, of Fallbrook, Calif., is the founder of a group called White Aryan Resistance and a former grand dragon of the California Ku Klux Klan. The suit also names his son John, 22, and two of the skinheads who killed Seraw.

Cooper, of The Dalles, Ore., spoke on the final day of testimony in the trial. Circuit Judge Ancer Haggerty said he hoped to hear closing arguments later in the day.

Cooper acknowledged that some of his information about increased skinhead violence came from Dave Mazzella, a former leader of Metzger's group who is now the star witness for the plaintiffs.

Much of the case hinges on whether the jury believes Mazzella's claims that he was acting out Metzger's wishes when he came to Portland before Seraw's death and encouraged skinhead violence.

Lawyer Morris Dees, who represents Seraw's family, charged that Cooper received information from Mazzella about skinhead violence in Portland in October 1988, and then passed on that information to Metzger.

Cooper acknowledged that he once referred to Mazzella as one of the ''WAR skin leaders,'' but he said he did not believe Mazzella was acting on Metzger's behalf before the Seraw killing.

''I think he was representing himself,'' Cooper said of Mazzella.

Under questioning from Metzger, who is serving as his own attorney, Cooper said he has never known the former KKK leader to advocate illegal violence.

Dees also quizzed Cooper about a taped conversation the neo-Nazi once had with Metzger in which, according to a summary prepared by Metzger, Cooper said that since more skinheads moved to Portland, ''the fights and attacks on the race mixers and the race traitors and the racial scum have been picking up.''

Cooper said he may have said that, but disapproved of the attacks anyway.

After calling all his other defense witnesses, Metzger failed in an effort to force testimony from Dees, famed for his battles against racist organizations and once targeted for assassination by a Northwest white supremacy group.

Metzger said he wanted to question Dees about allegations that he has bribed witnesses in other cases. Circuit Judge Ancer Haggerty said that would be inappropriate.

''If we don't get him here we're going to get him somewhere else,'' Metzger shouted after Haggerty refused to force Dees to testify.

When Elden Rosenthal, Dees' co-counsel, asked if Metzger's remark was a threat Metzger said, ''I'm talking about in court, Mr. Rosenthal.''

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#90292u1650 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

DECATUR, Ill. (OCT. 19) UPI - Illinois Power Friday announced a program to repurchase $275 million in high-interest debt instruments and prefered stock before the end of the year.

The buybacks will be made through open market purchases, privately negotiated transactions and optional redemptions.

Under the program, 400,000 shares of 11.75 percent Cumulative Prefered Stock will be redeemed Nov. 1, the utility said.

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#90292u1651 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	337.36	up	3.33	327.55	470.67
Industrial	361.97	up	3.61	347.72	457.94
Finance	335.34	up	1.66	328.64	546.60
Insurance	385.02	up	1.94	382.39	541.84
Utility	448.13	up	5.76	449.65	761.85
Bank	245.79	up	2.12	244.17	451.90
Transport	380.20	up	10.13	366.32	486.18

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 147.94 up 1.50

Industrial Index 143.27 up 1.42

NASDAQ-100 Index 349.24 up 4.48

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#90292u1652 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Hillhaven Corp	1,457,700	1 5/8	up 1/8

Contl Air Hldgs	1,134,300	5 7/8	up 3/8
Weatherford Inc	489,600	6	up 1/8
Carnival Cruise	359,100	14	up 1
Energy Service	346,600	3 1/8	up 1/8
Americus T2 sc	244,600	7	up 1/2
Global Nat Res	240,600	6 3/8	up 1/4
PW Group wtB	230,700	8 1/2	up 3/8
Echo Bay Mines	226,100	11 3/8	up 1/4
Western Digital	189,800	6	up 1/8

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#90292u1653 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Friday 349.24 up 4.48.

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#90292u1654 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending October 19:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	367.42	349.98	367.42	up 15.90
20 Trans	221.71	210.19	221.71	up 9.59
40 Utils	140.42	137.34	140.42	up 3.45
40 Fncl	20.27	19.28	20.27	up 0.59
500 Stock	312.48	298.76	312.48	up 12.45

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#90292u1655 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending October 19.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	89.03	89.20	88.74	89.20	up 0.34
10 Utils	91.00	91.51	90.85	91.51	up 0.60
10 Indus	87.06	87.06	86.43	86.89	up 0.08

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#90292u1656 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended October 19:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2413.86	2536.88	2354.95	2520.79	up 122.77
20 Trans	833.39	883.32	812.50	868.16	up 38.46
15 Utils	205.92	211.08	204.23	209.88	up 4.02
65 Stocks	854.15	895.51	836.66	887.42	up 37.41

20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

89.03 89.20 88.74 89.20 up 0.34

Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

127.62 127.62 126.53 127.59 off 1.19

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#90292u1664 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - All three major boxing organizations have ruled that the winner of the heavyweight title bout between champion James ''Buster'' Douglas and Evander Holyfield Thursday must next fight former titleholder Mike Tyson with no intervening defenses, the World Boxing Association confirmed.

WBA counsel Jimmy Binns confirmed that his organization decided at its executive meeting in Atlantic City, N.J. Friday to join the International Boxing Federation and the World Boxing Council in mandating Tyson gets the next shot at the title within 120 days of the Oct. 25 Douglas-Holyfield fight at Las Vegas, Nev.

Tyson is scheduled to fight Alex Stewart on Dec. 8 and the ruling of boxing's governing bodies is contingent on his not losing the ranking as the top challenger he would inherit after Holyfield either moves from the No. 1 spot. After fighting Douglas, Holyfield either will be champion or drop in ranking.

Douglas, who won the title from Tyson in February, would have had to fight a rematch against Tyson next anyway, under terms of the settlement of lawsuits between Douglas and promoter Don King.

So this decision chiefly affects Holyfield, whose management had been negotiating to fight George Foreman if Holyfield gets by Douglas. Under usual rules, a new champion would have the right to one bout before having to make a mandatory defense against the No. 1 challenger.

''What happened is that the executive committee voted to invoke an exception under rule 19,'' Binns said. ''The World Boxing Council had already moved the

same thing and so all three organizations have now ruled, I guess because that's the best thing for boxing.

''That's the match people want to see.''

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#90292u1666 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 19) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	220.00	222.20	219.70	220.80	218.95
Mar	223.50	223.50	22.305	223.50	221.15
Jun	....	....	....	226.00	224.15

Previous day volume: 123 contracts.

Open interest: 1,226 up 58

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	313.15	313.95	310.20	313.05	308.15
Mar	315.75	316.70	313.00	315.75	310.75
Jun	....	319.00	315.75	318.60	313.60
Sep	....	322.00	319.00	321.70	316.50

Today's estimated volume: 53,658 contracts.

Open interest: 154,165 off 137

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	171.00	171.50	169.40	170.85	168.55
Mar	172.45	172.45	171.05	172.15	169.85
Jun	172.40	173.10	172.40	173.45	171.15

Open interest: 5,725 up 99

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	517.30	529.25	515.50	528.54	512.30
Nov	517.50	526.00	515.25	523.25	512.20
Dec	520.60	527.75	517.75	525.50	514.20

Estimated volume 8,118 contracts.

Open interest: 10,311 up 641

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#90292u1667 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

SEATTLE (OCT. 19) UPI - Brian Peter Daniels, considered one of the world's major drug kingpins responsible for shipping vast amounts of Asian marijuana

to the United States over a 12-year period, was handed a 25- year prison sentence Friday and fined $6.2 million in federal court.

Daniels, 44, a wealthy New York native who lived for 15 years in Bangkok, was alleged to have built a smuggling empire that including extensive contacts with drug lords in the northeast provinces of Thailand and with Hong Kong's secretive banking system.

He was charged in San Diego, Seattle and Nevada with attempting to smuggle some 150 tons of high-grade Thai marijuana worth $550 million into the U.S. in 1988. Prosecutors have said that likely was only a fraction of the amount Daniels managed to get through.

''He admitted at the time he entered his plea that he was brokering and supplying 200,000 kilograms (2,200 tons) from 1984-88 alone,'' said assistant U.S. Attorney Mark Barlett after the sentencing. ''I am not aware of anyone ever being in excess of that.''

Daniels, who expressed remorse at the sentencing, was arrested on the Seattle charges in July 1988 when he traveled to Zurich, Switzerland, for medical treatment. He was eventually extradited to the United States, where he pleaded guilty last December to conducting a continuing criminal enterprise and two different narcotics conspiracy counts.

Daniels' drug empire began to unravel when 72 tons of marijuana were seized in June 1988 500 miles off the Washington coast aboard the Encounter Bay, a Panamanian-registered oil supply ship stopped by disabling shots from a Coast Guard cutter.

Aboard were 22 crewmembers of various nationalities, including two Philadelphia brothers, Robert and Samuel Colflesh, both former Green Berets in Vietnam, who admitted they had conducted marijuana shipments for 15 years without getting caught.

In their indictment, prosecutors contended the Thai marijuana was trucked across Vietnam to Da Nang and loaded onto a ship with the help of Vietnamese Army troops, perhaps anxious to receive cash for the money-starved government.

Federal authorities knew the Encounter Bay, as the ''mother ship'' of the operation, was planning to rendezvous with smaller boats off the Washington coast for offloading because two undercover agent had posed as buyers when they met Daniels at a Hong Kong hotel in May 1988.

Under tough new federal sentencing procedures for drug felons, Daniels will not be eligible for parole but can have 55 days cut from his sentence for every year of good behavior, Bartlett said.

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#90292u1669 10/19/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 19) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6100	up 100
Kubota Corp	118 1/2	up 11 1/2
Enron pf	207	up 10 7/8
Lilly Eli wt	74	off 6 1/4
Trn Gs&Pipe pfB	96	up 5 5/8
Fedl Home Ln	32 7/8	off 5
Motorola Inc	51 3/8	off 4 1/2
Captl Cities	440	up 4 1/4
Torchm pfA	70	off 4 1/4
Dillard DS	74	up 4 1/8
Honeywell Inc	82	up 4

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#90292u1674 10/19/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - The United States plans to transfer more than 500 of its most sophisticated operational tank, the M-1A1, from storage in Europe to U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia, defense officials said Friday.

The M-1A1, an improved version of the standard M-1 Abrams tank, is air-conditioned and can protect occupants from chemical or biological warfare agents. Its cannon also fires armor-piercing, high explosive 120mm shells.

A newer version of the Abrams, the M-1A2, is still in production and is not expected to become operational until at least 1992.

The Army considers the M-1 tank to be superior to the Soviet-built T- 72, the most sophisticated of Iraq's inventory of 5,500 tanks. Iraq has about 500 T-72s; the rest are older models.

With the transfer of these U.S. tanks from Europe, American troops will have more than 1,300 tanks in Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield, said defense officials who asked not to be identified.

The Pentagon said in a statement that ''several hundred'' M-1A1 tanks would be sent to Saudi Arabia from Europe, and officials publicly declined to be more specific. But a defense official who asked not to be identified said this amounted to more than 500.

The Pentagon said these U.S. tanks from Western Europe would be in ''excess'' of the limits set under the Conventional Forces in Europe treaty expected to be signed with the Soviet Union by the end of this year, and thus would have

to be removed or destroyed anyway.

''We are proposing to our NATO allies that these tanks continue to be counted under the CFE treaty, thus leaving NATO's tank-destruction requirement under the treaty unchanged,'' the Pentagon said.

Pentagon officials said there are about 3,500 Iraqi tanks in Kuwait and southern Iraq, along with 430,000 Iraqi troops, 2,500 armored personnel carriers and 1,700 artillery pieces.

The United States already has about 800 tanks in Saudi Arabia; about 700 with Army units and approximately 70 with the Marines.

Most of the Army's tanks are standard 60-ton M-1s, though the 67-ton M-1A1 was already there with the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment from Fort Bliss, Texas. The Marines have older M-60 tanks.

Neither the M-60s nor the M-1s are air-conditioned, making them extremely uncomfortable in the desert heat. They also offer no protection against the chemical or biological agents that Iraq may use if fighting breaks out.

''The M-1A1 Abrams added a 120mm smoothbore cannon and a Nuclear, Biological, Chemical (NBC) microclimatic cooling system to the already proven combination of thermal sight, laser rangefinder, and full stabilization to provide a combat vehicle capable of operating under all climate and light conditions, as well as in an active chemical environment,'' the Army said in its ''Weapon Systems 1990'' manual.

The 67-ton M-1A1 also is driven by a 1,500-horsepower turbine engine that enables it to reach a top speed of 41.5 mph.

In addition to the transfer of the M-1A1 tanks, the United States ''is in the final stages of approving the previously announced sale of 220 older M-60A3 tanks in War Reserve Stockpiles in Europe to Saudi Arabia, Oman and Bahrain, where they will also contribute to the security in the Persian Gulf area,'' the Pentagon said.

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#90292u1676 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (OCT. 19) UPI - Shares of Applied Materials Inc. dropped sharply Friday, after the maker of semiconductor manufacturing equipment said fourth-quarter earnings and revenue would fall below analysts' expectations.

Applied Materials' stock closed down $3.875 at $19.125 a share in over-the-counter trading.

The company warned analysts early Friday morning that delays in two customer

shipments would cause earnings and revenue to fall short of expectations for the quarter ending Oct. 28.

The company said it expected to report revenue of $133 million to $137 million and earnings per share of 13 cents to 17 cents for the quarter. Analysts had expected the company to earn about 55 cents a share on revenue of $150 million.

The company said orders had softened as customers delayed investment decisions because of concerns about the economy. Orders for the quarter should be about $150 million, slightly below analyst expectations of about $160 million, the company said.

''It would not take revenue to drop much more before you'd see losses,'' said technology analyst Carolyn Rogers of Hambrecht & Quist in San Francisco. ''I think people are worried about losses; that is what the stock is saying.''

Rogers lowered her earnings estimate for Applied's upcoming fiscal year to $2.10 a share from $2.60 a share. That would be up from $1.95 to $1.99 a share in the current fiscal year, but would be down from $2.43 a share in the fiscal year ended Oct. 29. 1989.

In the first three quarters of this year, Applied earned $31.1 million, or $1.82 a share, on revenue of $426.1 million.

Applied said it was forced to delay a shipment of equipment to a Japanese semiconductor manufacturer in the fourth quarter because the customer's facility was not ready in time. The company also had to delay a shipment to a European customer because it could not customize the systems in time to ship them before the end of the quarter.

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#90292u1679 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended October 19:

High	Low	Last	Net change
294.62	288.84	293.71	off 0.26

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#90292u1684 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended October 19, 1990.

Stock	Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Microsoft	(MSFT)	617,531,520	63 1/4	53 1/2	62	up 7/8
Apple Comp	(AAPL)	529,488,416	31 3/4	24 1/4	31 3/8	up 2 7/8
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	509,188,096	32 1/8	27 1/2	28 1/8	up 1/4

Intel Corp	(INTC)	331,909,536	35 3/4	29 3/4	34 3/4	up 3/4
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	221,142,784	45 1/2	40 3/4	43 3/4	off 7/8
Sun Micro Sys	(SUNW)	141,297,152	23 1/2	18 3/8	21 3/8	off 1 1/2
Reuter Hldg	(RTRS)	139,674,576	42 5/8	39 3/4	41	off 3/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	101,522,152	24 1/4	18 1/2	24	up 1 3/8
Conner Peri	(CNNR)	98,109,120	20 1/4	15 3/8	20	up 5/8
St Jude Med	(STJM)	83,780,680	29 1/2	26 1/8	28 5/8	off 1/8

NMS volume 606,308,300 shares.

Advances	1,090
Declines	951
Unchanged	753
Total	2,794

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#90292u1689 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended October 19, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Citicorp	31,293,500	14 1/4	12 1/4	13 1/4	off 3/8
Philip Morris	14,969,600	48 3/4	44 1/4	48 3/8	up 3 5/8
IBM Corp	10,667,500	109	96 1/4	107 5/8	up 7 3/8
Genl Elec	10,249,400	55 3/4	51	55 1/2	up 2 1/2
Waste Managemnt	9,810,900	33	29	32 1/8	up 1 7/8
PepsiCo	9,494,300	25	20	25	up 1 1/4
Wal-Mart Stores	9,395,200	28 1/8	24 7/8	27 3/4	up 1 3/4
Fedl Natl Mtge	9,075,200	29 1/8	26 1/2	27 7/8	off 3/8
Amer Express	8,546,900	19 3/4	17 1/2	18 7/8	off 1/2
Student Loan	8,403,200	44 1/4	33 1/2	36 1/2	off 6 3/4
AT&T Co	8,287,500	33 1/2	30 7/8	33 1/2	up 1 1/2
Eastmn Kodak	7,549,700	39 3/4	36 5/8	39 3/8	up 4 3/4
Baxter Intl	7,447,100	27 1/4	24 7/8	26 7/8	up 2 1/4
Exxon Corp	7,362,000	50 1/8	48 1/8	49 7/8	up 1 3/8
Boeing Co	7,056,300	49 3/8	44 3/4	48 1/2	up 4
Coca-Cola Co	6,762,300	45 3/4	40 1/4	45 3/4	up 4 1/8
Motorola Inc	6,095,400	57 1/2	50 5/8	51 3/8	off 3 3/8
Fedl Home Ln	5,919,600	43 5/8	30 1/4	32 7/8	off 10 3/8
Genl Motors	5,899,200	37 7/8	35 3/8	37 7/8	up 1 1/8
Archer Daniels	5,815,600	24 1/8	20 3/4	23 1/4	off 3/8

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#90292u1692 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Friday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	159,114,200

Advances	1,073
Declines	707
Unchanged	2,452
Total	4,232

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#90292u1695 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - The 10 most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended October 19, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Continental Air	3,070,300	6	4 1/4	5 7/8	up 1 5/8
Hillhaven Corp	2,306,900	1 5/8	1 3/8	1 5/8	up 1/8
Chambers Dev A	1,570,900	17 7/8	14 3/8	17	off 1/8
Echo Bay Mn	1,454,800	11 5/8	10 1/4	11 3/8	off 5/8
Paine Webber wtB	1,425,600	9 3/4	8	8 1/2	off 7/8
Fruit of Loom	1,094,200	7 7/8	7 1/8	7 7/8	up 3/4
Salomon wtJn	1,038,400	18 5/8	16 1/2	16 7/8	off 2
Eksport wt	1,034,000	9 5/8	7 7/8	8 3/8	off 1 1/4
Weathrford Intl	998,300	7 1/4	5 5/8	6	off 1
ENSCO	977,200	3 1/4	2 3/4	3 1/8	up 1/4

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#90292u1705 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Stock exchange sales for the week ended October 19.

New York Stock Exchange: Stocks - 901, 650,030 shares, compared with 780,919,910 a week earlier and with 1,170,216,180 the year before. Warrants - 6,723,500 compared with 6,778,100 a week earlier and with 6,495,000 the year before. Bonds - $206,085,000 compared with $210,053,000 a week earlier and with $268,667,000 the year before.

American Stock Exchange: Stocks - 56,890, 405 shares, compared with 56,459,070 a week earlier and with 85,011,500 the year before. Bonds - $19,667,000 compared with $17,749, 000 a week earlier and with $14,489,000 the year before.

Midwest Stock Exchange: Stocks - 47,250, 000 shares, compared with 45,618,000 a week earlier and with 66,460,000 the year before.

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#90292u1707 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended October 19 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	164,981,110	99,459,050	1,191,000	626, 000
Tuesday	149,582,530	145,590,460	941,500	839, 800
Wednesday	161,258,600	167,867,260	1,211,700	1, 119,500
Thursday	204,112,900	180,058,770	1,398,200	2, 955,900
Friday	221,714,890	187,944,300	1,981,100	1,236, 900
Total	901,650,030	780,919,910	6,723,500	6,778, 100

Bonds

	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 44,959,000	$ 23,776,000
Tuesday	$ 36,704,000	$ 38,636,000
Wednesday	$ 38,066,000	$ 47,079,000
Thursday	$ 44,503,000	$ 52,195,000
Friday	$ 41,853,000	$ 48,367,000
Total	$206,085,000	$210,000,000

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(OCT. 19) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.94	8.04	8.71
91-day Treasury bills	7.46	7.49	7.56
182-day Treasury bills	7.54	7.58	7.57
1-year Treasury bills	7.54	7.59	7.35
3-year Treasury notes	7.98	8.04	7.97
7-year Treasury notes	8.49	8.55	7.99
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.76	8.83	7.98
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.10	9.22	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.83	9.92	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.16	9.31	9.02
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.44	9.53	9.05
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.51	9.59	9.52
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.49	9.57	9.49

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended October 19:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	170.40	163.37	170.40	up 5.98
Industrial	211.64	209.37	211.64	up 4.60
Transportation	135.38	134.62	135.38	up 2.18
Utilities	88.53	88.19	88.53	up 0.89
Finance	108.40	107.71	108.40	up 1.67

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	25	20	8
New lows	98	144	238

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	1,104	127,302,000
Declines	507	45,378,300
Unchanged	382	48,799,700
Total	1,993	221,480,000

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(OCT. 19) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	2
New lows	50

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	362	8,379,300
Declines	204	2,364,700
Unchanged	225	2,196,000
Total	791	12,940,000

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 19) UPI - The cause of a five-alarm fire Friday in a building at the Anheuser-Busch brewery's main headquarters, which caused the brewery to shut down, was under investigation, fire officials said.

The fire broke out shortly after 8 a.m., in a building that is divided into a refrigeration plant where beer is cooled and a yeast plant, an Anheuser-Busch spokesman said.

Firefighters had the flames under control around 10 a.m., said Battalion Chief Dave Weman of the St. Louis Fire Department.

About 350 employees were evacuated from the building. Of the employees, 35 or 40 were in the yeast plant to renovate that half, while the other workers were in the refrigeration plant. None of the employees was injured. As a precaution employees from the nearby brew house also were evacuated.

The brewery shut down because of the fire, the Anheuser-Busch spokesman said. The brewery was to start up again in the late afternoon or early evening, he said.

However, three firefighters were injured. Eugene Hensley, 50, suffered a strained shoulder, while David Mannes, 50, was flown by helicopter to St. Louis University Medical Center after he collapsed from apparent exhaustion.

Doctors said Mannes would be kept overnight at the hospital for observation.

The third firefighter, whose name was not released, injured his back, Weman said.

Investigators said they were trying to determine where and how the fire started.

''There was a lot of heavy smoke,'' Weman said. ''You couldn't see your hand in front of your face. The damage was extensive.''

Firefighters had difficulty fighting the fire because there was some concern the flames might have reached ammonia lines, as well as chlorine tanks that are in the building.

A two-gallon propane tank exploded, as well as steam pipes throughout the third and fourth floors. Glue and foam packaging material that caught fire caused the thick, black smoke, Weman said.

Weman said the firefighters ran into some danger because of asbestos floating around from the updraft of the smoke.

''With asbestos, you always have that danger,'' Weman said. ''Asbestos was flying around everywhere. They had it all sealed off with plastic. Of course,

we had to go through that area and contain the fire.''

After the fire was extinguished, the 125 firefighters at the scene went through a decontamination process, washing off all firefighting clothes and equipment to remove any traces of asbestos.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	170.40	168.58	170.40	up 3.27
Industrial	211.64	209.37	211.64	up 4.60
Transport	135.38	134.62	135.38	up 2.18
Utility	88.53	88.19	88.53	up 0.89
Finance	108.40	107.71	108.40	up 1.67

Equivalent to a gain of 57 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 221,480,000 shares.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - House and Senate negotiators, sharply divided over how to spread the tax burden of deficit reduction, began work Friday to meld a budget package produced by House Democrats with a bipartisan Senate bill preferred by President Bush.

Meanwhile, the Senate passed and sent to the White House a stopgap spending bill to keep the government running through next Wednesday, giving Congress more time to fashion tax increases and spending cuts aimed at lowering the deficit by $500 billion in five years.

Bush visited Capitol Hill at mid-afternoon to encourage congressional leaders and thank all Republican senators who supported the bipartisan deficit-cutting package that cleared the Senate on a 54-46 vote hours earlier.

The president was expected to sign the temporary funding bill, passed by the House Thursday, thus avoiding a repeat of the government shutdown that occurred during the Columbus Day weekend.

The government's current spending authority was due to expire at midnight Friday.

''I want to thank the leaders for doing a masterly job,'' Bush told the lawmakers. ''I'm here just to say thank you and we need to finish the job.''

The Senate approved its deficit-reduction plan at about 1:25 a.m. Friday, capping more than 30 hours of debate over two days. Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine and Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas repeatedly joined forces to squelch several attempts to substantially alter the bipartisan bill.

The Senate package would increase the federal gasoline tax 9 1/2 cents a gallon by 1992, raise cigarette and alcohol taxes, impose new taxes on luxury items and boost costs to Medicare beneficiaries.

It contains no changes in federal income tax rates, but does limit tax deductions that can be claimed by those earning more than $100,000 a year.

On Tuesday, the House engaged in heated partisan warfare before passing a Democratic-backed bill that raises income tax rates on the wealthiest Americans from 28 percent to 33 percent and imposes a 10 percent surtax on those with taxable incomes of more than $1 million a year.

It also boosts the alternative minimum tax, applied to wealthy taxpayers with large numbers of deductions and exemptions, from 21 percent to 25 percent.

The House bill, while including alcohol, cigarette and luxury taxes similar to those the Senate adopted, eliminated any increase in gasoline taxes. Instead, the House voted to delay for one year inflation adjustments to income tax brackets and personal exemptions.

House and Senate negotiators opened talks later Friday seeking to reconcile the widely divergent bills and produce a compromise that must then clear votes in each chamber before going to Bush for his signature.

Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, urged fellow conferees to ''come up with a product that is bold enough to substantially reduce the budget deficit and also fair enough to be accepted by our colleagues and the American people.''

Speaking to a group of Italian-Americans Friday, Bush said the Senate bill ''offers, I think, some real hope for getting this budget deficit matter under control.''

Though declining to give details on what he would like to see emerge from the conference, he praised senators for warding off efforts to raise income tax rates, saying, ''I think I'm on the right track on that and I'm going to try to hold the line.''

Mitchell, who said he supported many of the amendments that he vigorously fought to defeat on the Senate floor, told his colleagues that the Senate budget bill was crafted specifically to avoid a veto and that even ''attractive'' amendments would subvert any try at deficit reduction.

In opposing the House approach, Bush criticized the raised income tax rates on the highest income taxpayers, which would generate $50 billion over five years and the increased income taxes on middle-class Americans caused by freezing for a year the inflation adjustment of tax brackets and personal exemptions.

The Senate's increase in gasoline taxes, a measure expected to raise $42.6 billion in five years, is seen by the Democrats as placing a disproportionate burden on lower- and middle-income individuals.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Stocks surged for the second straight day Friday in heavy trading in a rally driven by a plunge in oil prices and late buying tied to the expirations of stock-index futures and options.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which soared 64.85 Thursday, rallied 68.07 to close at 2520.79. It topped Thursday's gain as the second-largest of the year and marked the first time since late August that the Dow has rallied 50 points or more on consecutive days.

The market's best day of the year came Aug. 27, when the Dow soared more than 78 points.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index jumped 3.27 to 170.40 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index added 6.74 to 312.48. The price of an average share surged 57 cents.

Advances outpaced declines 1,128-488 among the 1,993 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 221,480,000 shares, up slightly from 204,120,000 traded Thursday.

The monthly expirations of stock-index futures and options, sometimes known as ''double-witching hour,'' not only inflated volume, they generated significant buy orders before the close which in turn sparked program buying.

The computerized buying allowed the market to extend its earlier gains, which were sparked by plunging oil prices and strong Treasury bonds.

Oil prices plunged $3.01 to $33.79 a barrel in New York as the market responded to a statement from Iraqi first deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan, who arrived unexpectedly in Amman Thursday to brief Jordanian officials on his tour of North Africa. He told Radio Jordan he was more

optimistic about a political solution to the Gulf crisis.

''You'd have to say the catalyst was oil,'' said Dale Tills, manager of institutional equity trading at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco. ''It was real positive for bonds (since lower oil prices mean lower inflation) and helped stocks out. We closed up even stronger with the buy programs because of options expirations.''

Treasury bonds rallied Friday, sending their yields lower. The long bond was up 25/32 to 100 1/32 to yield 8.74 percent. It was the first time the bond has settled above par since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

Tills said the budget remained a question for the market, however. The House and Senate Friday turned to the task of ironing out the differences between their budget bills, which were designed to chop $500 billion from the federal deficit over the next five years. Talks were expected to continue through the weekend.

''It looked like a decent rally but if the budget doesn't get worked out this weekend it could be a drag on the market,'' Tills said.

On the trading floor, Citicorp was the most active issue in dividend- related trading, up 1/8 to 13 1/4.

Philip Morris followed, up 1 1/2 to 48 3/8. It rallied Thursday after a strong earnings report Wednesday.

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. was third, sinking 5 to 32 7/8. Freddie Mac said Thursday it would charge against its reserves losses of $124 million from its mortgage portfolio during the third quarter. Analysts reportedly cut earnings estimates in the wake of the news.

Motorola was also active, plunging 4 1/2 to 51 3/8. Company officers were reportedly guiding analysts' earnings estimates toward the lower end of the range of expectations.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T rose 1 1/2 to 33 1/2, IBM rallied 2 3/8 to 107 3/4, General Electric jumped 1 to 55 1/2, Coca-Cola surged 2 3/8 to 45 3/4 and Eastman Kodak picked up 1 3/4 to 39 3/4.

Elsewhere, Eli Lilly plunged 4 to 74. Prescriptions for its depression drug, Prozac, are said to have fallen substantially in September.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 256,051,990 shares, compared with 243,283,960 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices gained in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index rose 1.87 to 293.71. Advances led declines 365-199 among the 792 issues traded. The price of an average share added 6 cents. Composite volume totaled 15,367,070 shares vs. 14, 279,700 traded Thursday.

Hillhaven led the Amex issues, up 1/8 to 1 5/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 3.34 to 337.37.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Oct 19, 1990	36	673	1141	801	233	2175
Oct 12, 1990	34	728	395	1543	216	2154
Oct 20, 1989	70	290	1051	851	244	2146
Oct 21, 1988	175	53	1140	698	321	2159

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(OCT. 19) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Oct 19, 1990	7	322	387	431	180	998
Oct 12, 1990	6	341	181	638	168	987
Oct 20, 1989	29	118	410	433	156	999

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Affliated Fund 9.06 9.72

Anchor Fund Inv	14.25	15.12
Delaware Mutual	16.38	17.57
Fidelity Fund	15.86	15.86
Investors Mutual	10.53	11.08
Investors Stocks	17.68	18.61
Investors Select	8.30	8.73
IDS Equity Plus	8.53	8.98
Mass Inv Growth	7.73	8.33

Nicholas Fund	x-3.03	3.03
United Accumulated	5.99	6.55
United Income	15.92	17.40
Vanguard Wellington	15.75	15.75

x-ex-dividend.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - The Senate rejected an amendment to $15.5 billion foreign aid bill Friday that criticized new Israeli settlements in East Jerusalem and required a study on future U.S. loan guarantees for Israel.

The amendment, sponsored by Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas and Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., came up as Congress worked to clear up appropriation bills in an effort to adjourn next week.

But with complaints there was not enough time to debate such a delicate foreign policy topic, the Senate voted 90-8 to table - or kill - the amendment.

The Byrd-Dole amendment - amounting to a rare congressional rebuff of the long-time U.S. ally - expressed congressional regret that Israel encouraged more settlement of Soviet refugees in East Jerusalem, contrary to assurances given the Bush administration in connection with $400 million in housing loan guarantees.

It would have required the president to send a report to Congress in 60 days assessing Israeli policy on new settlements and the guarantees for housing loans previously approved.

Dole said the amendment does not change long-standing U.S. policy that views Israeli incentives for new settlements in any of the occupied territories as being detrimental to Mideast peace.

''We have a very special relationship with Israel,'' Dole said. ''We do disagree on some matters and we disagree on settlements.''

''This amendment is not to challenge our special relationship. It just asks for some information that is very relative,'' he said.

While Byrd stressed the strains put on Israel by the massive influx of Soviet refugees and the resulting strain put on U.S.-Israeli relations, he also expressed distress over the killing of 21 people during demonstrations at the Temple Mount in East Jerusalem earlier this month and the Israeli response to the subsequent U.N. resolution.

''It distresses me that Israel has reacted to the efforts of the United States to soften the harsh tone of the early drafts of the U.N. resolution on the

Temple Mount incident by refusing to cooperaate with any U.N. mission to investigate the incident,'' Byrd said.

''I am saddened that Israel has rejected, instead of welcomed, the opportunity to present the facts as it sees them.''

The sudden introduction of the amendment surprised many in the Senate and brought a response from Sen. John Heinz, R-Pa., that while there might be some merit to the proposal, the Senate did not have the time to debate them.

Sen. Bob Kasten, R-Wis., said the amendment was ''inflamatory and could be counterproductive'' in the tense Middle East, where the United States in trying to hold together an Arab coalition against Iraqi aggression.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 19) UPI - The former chief regulator of the nation's thrifts predicted Friday that the cost of bailing out the savings and loan industry could go as high as $1 trillion, about double current estimates.

''This could well turn out to be a $1 trillion problem if we don't get some political will in Congress to stop these losses,'' said Edwin Gray, who headed the Federal Home Loan Bank Board from 1983 until he was replaced in 1987.

Gray's estimate of the bailout's ultimate cost was nearly twice prevailing forecasts, which include the costs of seizing ailing thrifts, paying off depositors, selling or closing the institutions and making interest payments on the program's debt over the next 30 years.

The government's estimate of the bailout costs last year was $167 billion, but its current estimate, which does not include interest costs, is about $330 billion.

Currently, the Resolution Trust Corp. - the agency handling the bailout - is nearly out of funds and there is an impasse between Congress and the Bush administration over the $40 billion requested by the White House to fund the bailout program for the next 12 months.

''Congress has still not faced up to its responsibilities and acted to provide the funds to stop the continuing losses,'' Gray said. ''And, each day, each week, each month that passes, given the continuing failure of Congress to meet its responsibilities to the taxpayers, the cost of the thrift debacle will grow inexorably.''

Gray said that a key step to solving the problem is to enact campaign reform laws. ''There is just too much money coming in to incumbents from the thrift industry,'' he said.

Gray, currently the president and chief executive officer of Miami- based Chase Federal Bank, was an early antagonist of former Lincoln Savings head Charles H. Keating Jr. The now-defunct FHLBB had warned before Gray left his post in 1987 that Lincoln's financial condition was deteriorating, but the thrift was not seized until two years later.

The bailout of Lincoln is expected to be the most expensive ever, with a price tag of more than $2 billion.

After a monthlong incarceration, Keating, indicted on securities fraud charges was released on $300,000 bail Thursday night.

''I don't have much of a reaction to his release,'' Gray said Friday.

Keating has blamed Lincoln's failure on the government, claiming that the sale of seized property in Arizona led to the bankruptcy of Lincoln's parent, American Continental Corp., and the subsequent seizure of Lincoln in April 1989.

Gray said Friday that Keating's contentions are ''malarky.''

''The government never made a bad loan and never made a bad investment,'' Gray said. ''I guess he (Keating) thinks he can explain the problems in this cynical manner.''

Lincoln's collapse has led to an investigation by the Senate Ethics Committee of five senators who received $1.3 million in campaign contributions from Keating. The quintet has been accused of intervening to stall the Lincoln seizure, thus adding significantly to the cost of the bailout.

Reports that surfaced this week said that three of the senators - Donald Riegle of Michigan, Alan Cranston of California and Dennis DeConcini of Arizona, all Democrats - had much more extensive fund- raising ties with Keating than had been previously disclosed and made a number of extra efforts were made on his behalf.

The other two under investigation are Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz., and John Glenn, D-Ohio. The Ethics Committee's special counsel, Robert Bennett, has recommended that the panel drop their investigation of McCain and Glenn.

Gray, saying that Bennett's report should be made public, indicated that he did not believe that McCain and Glenn should be dropped from the probe.

Gray has testified that the senators, during an hour-long meeting in DeConcini's office in April 1987, pressured him to back off on the Lincoln investigation. ''No one raised any objection to the suggestion that if I would withdraw on this, they would get their friend at Lincoln to make a lot more

home loans,'' he said Friday.

The five senators have denied that their involvement with Keating, an important political contributor, resulted in impropriety. The Ethics Committee is trying to decide whether to proceed with a formal investigation.

''Lest there be any misunderstanding, the thrift debacle is wholly and completely and unreservedly bi-partisan,'' Gray said. ''Mr. Keating and the many others who threw money at the politicians cared not a whit about the political affiliation of the congressional or senatorial recipient of their largesse.''

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MIAMI (OCT. 19) UPI - Hurricane Nana turned its 75 mph winds north Friday toward the island of Bermuda, but forecasters said there was still a chance the storm would miss the vacation spot.

As of 6 p.m. EDT, the hurricane center was located near latitude 29.2 north and longitude 66.6 west, and the system was traveling north at near 5 mph.

Nana, which was expected to turn toward the northeast by Saturday, was about 245 miles south-southwest of Bermuda.

A hurricane watch was in effect for the island, and forecasters said it likely would remain in effect through Saturday.

Winds were clocked at 75 mph and not much strengthening was expected during the next 24 hours. Hurricane force winds extended outward up to 25 miles from the center, and tropical storm force winds extended outward up to 85 miles.

''It's still a definite threat to the island of Bermuda,'' said Max Mayfield, a forecaster at the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

''The hurricane is still just a Category 1 hurricane on our 1 to 5 scale and it's a very small system, in fact, extremely small. The hurricane force winds reported by our reconnaissance aircraft are right in the center.''

Mayfield said a cold front moving toward the hurricane from the northwest could cause the storm to pass west or southeast of Bermuda.

''If it moves out over or to the west of Bermuda, it'll get some very strong winds,'' Mayfield said. ''If it slides just southeast of them, they may not get much at all.''

Nana is the 14th named storm of the 1990 Atlantic-Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30, and the eighth hurricane.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended Oct. 19, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
BerkshH	6100	up	365
Heinz pf	285	off	29 1/2
TRW pfD	120 1/8	off	21 7/8
FCitTx pfB	16	off	21
Kubota	118 1/2	up	11 1/2
AtlRch pfC	304 5/8	off	11 3/8
FedHLn	32 7/8	off	10 3/8
Hneywl	82	up	9 5/8
Enrn pf	207	up	9 1/2
McKesn pf	96	off	9
WaNat pf	29	off	8
WaPost	189	off	8
Ralston	107 1/4	up	7 3/4
IBM	107 5/8	up	7 3/8
Medtronic	83 1/4	up	7
Hsehld pfD	54	off	7
Nacco	30	off	7
Coastl pfB	125	off	7
StudLn	36 1/2	off	6 3/4
Nucor	67	up	6 3/4

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(OCT 19) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Suspended				
Andover Bancorp				
Family Bancorp				
Omitted				
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust				
Reverse Stock Split				
Stratford Fncl Group Ltd - 1-for-100				
Stock				
Forest Oil Corp	..	2.5PC	12-10	11-19

Increased				
Cara Operations	..	c-.13	12-20	12-13
Eaton Vace Corp	Q	.14	11-12	10-31
Equitable Resources	Q	.35 1/2	12-1	11-9
First Harrisburg	Q	.10	11-15	11-5
Flowers Industries	Q	.16 1/4	11-16	11-2
Distribution				
CF Income Ptrs LP	Q	.25	11-14	10-31
Enserch Exploration PL	Q	.07 1/2	1-7	12-14
Frport-McMoran O&GRT	..	.0696	1-10	10-31
Mesabi Trust	..	.05	11-20	10-30
Parker Parsley DP LP	Q	.45	12-15	10-31
Permian Basin Rlty Tr	..	.0529	11-15	10-31
Teppco Ptrs LP	Q	.55	11-19	10-31
Usual				
Athlone Industries	Q	.25	11-16	11-2
Bank South Corp	Q	.13	1-1	12-14
Cardinal Fncl Group	Q	.12 1/2	11-12	10-29
Citizens Banking	Q	.30	11-14	10-29
First Interstate Iowa	Q	.05	11-30	10-31
Illinois Tool Works	Q	.18	12-1	11-7
Indiana Federal	Q	.10	11-30	11-15
Iroquois Bancorp Inc	..	.12 1/2	11-30	10-31
KeyCorp	Q	.34	1-15	12-31
NBB Bancorp	Q	.23	11-9	10-30
Ryder System Inc	Q	.15	12-20	11-23
Spiegel Inc	Q	.07	11-6	10-30
York Financial Corp	Q	.17	11-15	11-3

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A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska (OCT. 19) UPI - A federal judge Friday upheld the government's indictment of Exxon and rejected a plea to throw out criminal charges stemming from last year's massive Exxon Valdez oil spill.

''I deny all motions to dismiss,'' U.S. District Court Judge H. Russel Holland said following a two-hour hearing in which Exxon Corp. and Exxon Shipping Co. sought to have the charges against them thrown out.

The ruling, to be followed by a written opinion later, was welcomed by Justice Department lawyers prosecuting the two Exxon companies for the nation's worst oil spill.

''The indictment is proper and fairly puts the defendants on notice of what they have to defend against,'' Holland said in a brief statement rejecting Exxon's arguments for dismissal.

A battery of Exxon lawyers at the hearing voiced disappointment over their defeat but said there would be no appeal.

Trial has been set for April 10, more than two years after the tanker Exxon Valdez rammed Bligh Reef in Prince William Sound and spewed 11 million gallons of oil into pristine waters, fouling rich fishing grounds and wildlife habitat.

Exxon faces fines of $700 million if convicted of violating the federal Clean Water Act, the Refuse Act, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, the Ports and Waterways Safety Act and the Dangerous Cargo Act. A federal grand jury indicted Exxon Corp. and Exxon Shipping Co. last February.

Exxon Corp. lawyer Patrick Lynch, in arguing for the dismissal, told the judge that the parent corporation was not liable for acts of Exxon Shipping Co., saying, ''The buck stops with the subsidiary corporation.''

Charges against the corporation represented ''a case of mistaken identity,'' Lynch said, because Exxon Corp. established a separate company to run its shipping business and so was not responsible under corporate law. He said the government made each allegation into two crimes by charging both Exxon companies.

But Assistant Attorney General George Van Cleve replied that when Exxon Corp. transformed its shipping division into a separate corporation to save tax money, nothing changed except the company letterhead.

As long as shipping remained a division of Exxon, the corporation remains liable, Van Cleve argued.

He said the government would, during the trial, expose the intimate relationship showing Exxon Corp. dominated the dependent shipping company, thus linking the two Exxon companies in responsibility for the spill.

Another Exxon lawyer, Edward Bruce, argued that, under the Clean Water Act, crude oil cannot technically be considered a pollutant; that a tanker is not a discharge source, and an accidental spill is not a crime. But Justice Department lawyer Eric Nagle replied that the circumstances of the spill fit the law and were caused by criminal negligence.

Exxon lawyers also lost their arguments that the accidental killing of thousands of seabirds by crude oil was not a violation of the Migratory Bird law.

Additionally, Exxon failed to distance itself from nearly a decade of alcohol

problems experienced by fired Exxon Valdez Capt. Joseph Hazelwood, saying actions by Exxon medical, legal and personnel departments regarding Hazelwood were too far removed from the March 1989 spill to be its cause.

Lynch said just because Exxon provided services to shipping employees does not mean the corporation caused the spill and killed birds.

In response, federal prosecutor Van Cleve said, ''The causes of the wreck are not simple, but one of the causes is that the captain was a man of impaired judgment.''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - Farmers are likely to post a record net cash income of $60 billion, the government said Friday in refining its estimates and warning of higher expenses in the coming months.

''Abundant crops, lackluster commodity prices, the oil shock and a weaker global economic outlook are putting downward pressure on farmers' receipts and boosting expenses for this quarter and into next year,'' the Agriculture Department said.

The estimate of $60 billion in net cash income was the department's most specific projection yet. One month ago, it forecast net cash farm income would fall in the range of $59 billion to 63 billion. The record is $58.4 billion in 1988.

Net farm income continues to be forecast for $47 billion to $52 billion. Last year's $49 billion was a record.

Estimates of farm income and expenses in 1991 will not be released for a few more weeks, although the Economic Research Service has cited factors likely to effect farmers in the new year.

In a report Thursday, it said farm energy costs would be 10 percent to 15 percent higher in 1991 if world oil prices are an average of $30 a barrel for the year. An average of $40 a barrel would mean an increase of about 25 percent.

Farmers are spending about $7.2 billion on diesel fuel, gasoline, LP gas and electricity this year, or about 6.2 percent of total cash production expenses.

The ERS said high income this year and the painful financial restructuring of the past few years has put farmers ''in a stronger position to withstand a drop in income'' than in the early 1980s which were marked by recession and oil shocks.

World grain production is at record levels, which will mean lower demand for U.S. grain in the coming year.

''Global grain stocks will rise for the first time in four years,'' the ERS said. ''Wheat will account for most of the gain while (feed grain) stocks are expected to drop again.''

U.S. wheat prices has slumped since mid-summer. Corn prices are projected to hold steady in coming months.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 19) UPI - U.S. Treasury bonds rallied strongly Friday on a decline in oil prices brought about by hints Iraq may be taking a conciliatory stance in its Persian Gulf standoff with the United States.

Bond investors' fear of oil-driven inflation eroding bond returns diminished as oil prices came back down. War apprehension was eased by remarks from Iraqi First Deputy Taha Yassin Ramadan hinting at compromise.

Outright fighting in the Gulf could cut into oil supplies and drive the price of oil through the roof. That would exacerbate U.S. inflation, now running at an annual level of 6.6 percent on the consumer's level.

Even before Ramadan's comments, bond investors had some reassuring inflation news as the government said consumer prices rose in September just 0.3 percent when volatile food and energy costs were excluded.

At the same time, nearly every governmental or other economic indicator seen in recent days spells recession or zero growth, which makes bonds attractive because of their guaranteed return through thick and thin.

''People have responded very favorably in the debt market,'' said Continental Bank government bond trading manager Michael Moore.

Developments have blunted the impact of the main factors driving the selloff the bond market has seen since August, Moore said. ''People are focusing more on the weakness in the real economy,'' he said.

The benchmark 30-year bond, the 8 3/4 of 2020, ended at 99 29/32 to yield 8.76 percent, compared with 97 25/32 and 8.96 percent a week earlier. That made for a gain of 2 1/8 points, or $21.25 on a $1,000 Treasury bond.

Analyst Douglas Schindewolf of Smith Barney wrote in a newsletter that, ''The first signs of cracks in the Iraqi stance blew some of the speculative froth off of oil prices and had a similar effect on bond yields.''

Bond yields - their market-set interest rates - move down as prices move up.

Salomon Brothers analyst Richard Berner said lower oil and commodity prices, a ''whiff of lower 'core' inflation'' and movement in the U.S. budgetary process ''all bolstered the market this week.'' Budget progress revived hopes that the Federal Reserve would lower short-term interest rates.

''However, the market's celebration seems hasty,'' he warned, ''and a 9 percent bond yield may reemerge before rates eventually drift lower.'' It may be early days yet to look for a solution to the Gulf crisis, he said.

Berner added that bond investors have ignored ''the utter lack of interest in U.S. securities by foreign investors and the concomitant sharp slide in the dollar,'' which could hurt Treasury auction results and bond prices.

But Moore said foreign investors could be replaced by domestic institutions shifting assets from the corporate market, which is downscaling in reflection of the slowing U.S. economy, into more competitive Treasuries.

''Given the unsettled state of the economy investors ... have realized that by many standards of measurement treasuries look pretty cheap,'' he said.

Ten-year Treasury notes ended at 100 27/32 to yield 8.62 percent, compared with 99 18/32 and 8.81 the week before. Five-year notes ended at 100 31/32 to yield 8.25 percent, vs. 100 09/32 to yield 8.42 percent.

Three-year Treasury notes closed at 100 01/32 to yield 7.98 percent, compared with 99 23/32 and 8.11 percent seven days before. Two-year notes were at 100 16/32 to yield 7.84 percent, vs. 100 12/32 to yield 7.91 percent.

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NEW HAVEN, CT (OCT. 19) UPI - The former president of a vacuum-cleaner sales company pleaded guilty Friday to a check-kiting scheme that defrauded a bank out of nearly $700,000, federal prosecutors said.

Bruce J. Benson, 31, of Wallingford, who entered his plea in U.S. District Court, faces up to 20 years in federal prison and a $1 million in fine when sentenced in December, officials said.

Benson operated Hydro Products Inc., a wholesale and retail vacuum cleaner business, from July 1986 to April 1990 and kept business and personal accounts in separate banks, said U.S. Attorney Stanley A. Twardy Jr.

Benson then switched uncovered checks between his business account in Glastonbury Bank and Trust Co. and personal account in the Cromwell branch of Farmers & Mechanics Savings Bank of Middletown.

Prosecutors charged Benson moved his office from Portland to two locations in Manchester and finally North Haven as he siphoned money to pay offices bills, employee salaries and personal expenses.

This year, Benson purchased a new home for $235,000 in Wallingford with a downpayment of $50,000, Twardy said.

Benson deposited three large checks in Glastonbury Bank and Trust in March, defrauding the bank of $690,000, Twardy said.

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TOLEDO, OH (OCT. 19) UPI - A group of demonstrators forced their way into an abortion clinic Friday and some shackled themselves outside the front door, requiring police to cut locks before making arrests and carrying the protesters into patrol wagons.

Police estimates on the number of protesters arrested at the Center for Choice varied widely, but one officer said as many as 25 people were taken into custody.

The protest was the latest in a series of demonstrations at the clinic in the past year.

The demonstrators said they wanted to prevent women from entering the clinic, where abortions are performed each Friday. Activists gather outside the clinic every Friday to offer counseling to women seeking abortions.

During the demonstration, patients were allowed to enter through a rear door and were escorted back to their cars, clinic director Pam O'Leary said .

Some of demonstrators used U-shape bicycle locks to chain themselves together at the door of the building, where they shouted to people inside.

''They'll kill your babies. They just want your money,'' several protesters shouted.

One elderly man chained himself to the underside of a compact car at the rear of the building.

About seven others entered the center and allegedly hit some employees, O'Leary said, but demonstrators disputed the claim, saying the protest was intended to be peaceful.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 19) UPI - President Bush signed a stop-gap spending bill Friday to keep the government running through Oct. 24 after deciding Congress had made ''satisfactory progress'' toward agreement on a new deficit-reduction accord.

The move came as House and Senate negotiators, sharply divided over how to spread the burden of deficit reduction, began work to meld a Democrat-crafted House budget package with a bipartisan Senate bill preferred by Bush.

Tax provisions in the two bills appeared to pose the toughest differences to overcome. The House plan relies heavily on higher taxes for wealthy Americans, while the Senate bill contains no income tax rate increases but doubles the current 9-cents-a-gallon gasoline tax to 18.5 cents a gallon.

Bush signed the emergency spending measure at 6 p.m. EDT, just six hours before the government was due to go broke for the second time in three weeks.

The temporary funding bill, which cleared the House Thursday and the Senate Friday, will extend the government's spending authority through next Wednesday.

Bush visited Capitol Hill at mid-afternoon Friday to encourage congressional leaders and thank all Republican senators who supported the bipartisan deficit-cutting package the Senate passed on a 54-46 vote hours earlier.

''I want to thank the leaders for doing a masterly job,'' Bush told the lawmakers. ''I'm here just to say thank you and we need to finish the job.''

The House and Senate negotiators laboring over tax hikes and spending cuts ''have already made satisfactory progress in their work,'' White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said in announcing Bush had signed the emergency money bill.

The Senate approved its deficit-reduction plan early Friday after two days of debate. Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine and Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas joined forces to stop attempts to alterthe bill.

The Senate package would increase the federal gasoline tax 9 1/2 cents a gallon by 1992, raise cigarette and alcohol taxes, impose new taxes on luxury items and boost costs to Medicare beneficiaries.

It contains no changes in federal income tax rates, but does limit tax deductions that can be claimed by those earning more than $100,000 a year.

On Tuesday, the House engaged in partisan warfare before passing a Democratic-backed bill that raises income tax rates on the wealthiest Americans from 28 percent to 33 percent and imposes a 10 percent surtax on

those with taxable incomes of more than $1 million a year.

It also boosts the alternative minimum tax, applied to wealthy taxpayers with large numbers of deductions and exemptions, from 21 percent to 25 percent.

The House bill, while including alcohol, cigarette and luxury taxes similar to those the Senate adopted, eliminated any increase in gasoline taxes. Instead, the House voted to delay for one year inflation adjustments to income tax brackets and personal exemptions.

House and Senate negotiators opened talks Friday seeking to reconcile the widely divergent bills and produce a compromise that must then clear votes in each chamber before going to Bush for his signature.

Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, urged fellow conferees to ''come up with a product that is bold enough to substantially reduce the budget deficit and also fair enough to be accepted by our colleagues and the American people.''

Speaking to a group of Italian-Americans Friday, Bush said the Senate bill ''offers, I think, some real hope for getting this budget deficit matter under control.''

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 19) UPI - Two major paint manufacturers Friday responded to environmental concerns about the use of mercury in paints by saying they have not been using mercury for some time.

Mercury can cause liver problems and, in response to studies showing mercury in interior paints can lead to health problems, the Environmental Protection Agency Aug. 20 banned the use of mercury on all interier latex paints.

The Sherwin-Williams Co., the country's largest manufacturer of paint, said it has not used mercury in paints since 1973. Dutch Boy, which is part of Sherwin-Williams, said there have been no mercury compounds in its paint since 1985.

The Glidden Co., also headquartered in Cleveland, said it started to eliminate mercury as a preservative and mildewcide in latex paint more than 10 years ago. The final reformulation occurred in a Glidden product called Glid-Tex in September 1989.

John Gerulis, director of Regulatory Information Services for Sherwin-Williams and Dutch Boy, said Sherwin-Williams began using other biocides as a preservative in its latex paint products in the 1960s.

''While EPA estimates some 30 percent of the water-based latex paint products currently on the market reportedly contain mercury, none of those products are Sherwin-Williams manufactured brand paints,'' Gerulis said.

Harry Finkbone, manager of product safety and toxicology for Glidden, said no Glidden paint with mercury should be on store shelves.

''The company has removed the small amount of Glid-Tex from store shelves,'' Finkbone said, ''and we are confident that no Glidden consumer latex paint containing mercury is available for sale.''

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#90292u2079 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 19) UPI - More tough talk from British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd today on the Persian Gulf crisis. Hurd says that Iraq will be forced out of Kuwait by military action if Baghdad does NOT leave peacefully.

The State Department says Baghdad has freed seven Americans who had earlier been taken off evacuation flights by Iraqi authorities. Spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler says the Americans were allowed to fly to Amman, Jordan, this week aboard regular commerical flights.

The Senate today passed a stop-gap spending bill to keep the government running through next Wednesday. Passage of the bill gives Congress more time to wrangle over tax increases and spending cuts aimed at cutting the deficit by 500-BILLION dollars in five years.

The White House has indicated that President Bush will sign the temporary funding bill... avoiding a repeat of the government shutdown that occurred during the Columbus Day weekend. The government's current spending authority expires at midnight.

China today blasted a House vote to withdraw preferential status for trade with the United States on human rights grounds. The Chinese foreign minister issued a statement saying the move would cause a ''serious slideback'' in overall U-S-Sino relations.

Secretary of State Baker revealed a blueprint for making U-S-Soviet co-operation permanent and normal during a speech today to the American Committee on U-S-Soviet Relations in Washington.

A magazine article says the crew of the shuttle Atlantis will launch a 22-thousand-pound satellite next month to help spy on the Persian Gulf. Neither NASA NOR the military will discuss the payload of the secret military flight.

A district court jury in Reno, Nevada, today sentenced two so-called

''skin-heads'' to serve consecutive life terms in prison for the December 1988 shooting death of a black man. But the men will be eligible for parole in 20 years.

Hundreds of thousands of people attended an emotionally charged election rally for ousted Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto in Pakistan today. The crowded chanted ''Benazir is innocent.''

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IRVINE, Calif. (OCT. 19) UPI - Denny's, a family-style restaurant chain, said Friday it will move its corporate headquarters from Southern California to South Carolina over the next two to three years.

The move, announced by Denny's parent, TW Services, could mean that as many as 400 of the 500 executives employed at the Denny's offices in Irvine will lose their jobs.

However, some executives could be transferred to the current TW Services headquarters in Spartanburg, S.C. The company said that about 100 executives will continue to work in Irvine.

TW Services, which also operates the Pollo Loco, Hardee's and Quincy's chains and the Canteen sporting events services company, said that the move is part of its plans to get its operations into a single location.

''These moves virtually complete our ongoing centralization program,'' said Jerome J. Richardson, president and chief executive officer. ''This consolidation will free our chief operating officers and their field people from as many administrative burdens as possible so they can concentrate on serving our customers.''

The relocation program is expected to begin early next year.

Denny's also said that Bernard Scott, 57, will become senior vice prsident and chief executive officer of Denny's. Scott, a 16-year Denny's veteran, has been vice president for East Coast operations for the chain.

Scott replaces Samuel Maw, who held the titles of president and CEO. Maw will become senior vice president for product development of TW Services.

The announcement of the move to South Carolina comes 14 months after Denny's moved its headquarters to Irvine from the Los Angeles suburb of La Mirada.

Denny's began as a doughnut shop in Lakewood, another Los Angeles suburb, in 1953 and became the leading player in the family restaurant field with widespread penetration in most of the nation's major markets. TW Services,

which has annual revenues of about $3.5 billion, purchased the 1,291-restaurant chain in 1987.

Under the new ownership, Denny's began a renovation program and cut about a quarter of its work force. Its chief competitors are Big Boy, Perkins, JBs, Stuckeys, Carrow's, Coco's and Marie Callender's.

Restaurant consultant Janet Lowder of Los Angeles said Denny's has been performing adequately in what she called ''a very tough market'' with an increased focus on younger families with children.

''The renovations were sorely needed and their marketing promotions seem to be working,'' Lowder said. ''They appear to have realized that they can't just focus on senior citizens.''

Lowder said Denny's has the advantage over its competitors of having established itself in most areas of the country. ''A lot of the other chains are strong in only a specific region,'' she said.

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#90292u2154 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

PANAMA CITY, PANAMA (OCT. 19) UPI - Panamanian President Guillermo Endara dismissed a plot by police officers to destabilize his government, saying Friday that Panamanians would not support a coup attempt.

''We, the Panamanians, are not willing to support another coup and the return of the military to rule over us,'' Endara told reporters. ''I represent the people who voted for me in elections and have the support of the people.''

Panamanian authorities said Thursday they had uncovered a plot to destabilize the government masterminded by former police chief Eduardo Herrera Hassan.

Four policemen were arrested Wednesday, including Capt. Francisco Herrera, Herrera Hassan's brother.

The plan called for setting off bombs in Panama City and other towns, and taking of police barracks in Chiriqui province, near the Costa Rican border. It was to begin during a huge anti-government rally Tuesday, but it was never put into effect, Attoney General Rogelio Cruz said.

Cruz said some of the plotters may have been tricked into believing they would receive U.S. backing. U.S. Ambassador Deane Winton denied any knowledge of the plot.

Union leaders in charge of Tuesday's march - the largest anti- government protest since the invasion - have also denied any connection with the plot.

''I don't think it (the plot) has any important repercussions,'' said Endara, who was installed during the U.S. invasion last December that ended 21 years of military rule.

''It is an infantile movement,'' he added.

Many Panamanians view the police force with suspicion because it was built from former military ruler Manuel Noriega's army.

Newspapers printed banner headlines about the plot Friday and condemned it in editorials.

Aside from Capt. Herrera, authorities have arrested Capt. Carlos Ivan Moreno, second-in-command in Chiriqui, a sergeant and a corporal.

Capt. Leslie Loaiza, chief of the investigative police, said Friday more arrests have been made and that some officials might be implicated in the plot.

Herrera Hassan, a former colonel in Noriega's army, became chief of the National Police after the invasion, but quit in August. Like many officers, Herrera had come under fire for his ties to Noriega and his role in a violent crackdown on anti-Noriega protesters in 1987.

Cruz said Panama is considering filing extradition papers for Herrera Hassan, who lives in Miami.

The uncovering of the plot this week caused a wave of coup fear for the second time in the past six months. On May 1, guards surrounded the presidential palace following rumours of a coup and accidentally shot and killed Endara's valet.

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AUBURN HILLS, MICH (OCT. 19) UPI - Vinnie Johnson and the Detroit Pistons agreed to contract terms Friday afternoon, team officials said.

Terms of the contract weren't announced.

Johnson dropped his demand for a three-year deal earlier this week, which opened the way for the agreement. Reportedly, the Piston's last offer was for $2.8 million over two years.

''It's a very good contract,'' Johnson said.

''When a rookie comes in and gets $2.5 million, I've got to look for the best deal. We thought about the offer for a while. I had better offers elsewhere and I was real close. I have a lot of loyalties to Detroit and I wanted to say

in Detroit.''

Team official said they expected Johnson to sign the pact Friday night.

Johnson didn't play in Friday's exhibition against the San Antonio Spurs at the Palace Friday night, but warmed up with the team before the game.

''We thought about the offer for a while,'' said Johnson.

''It was important for me to get back and get off to a good start,'' he said, noting the two-time NBA champion Pistons ''have a great chance to three-peat.''

Detroit Coach Chuck Daly was happy to have Johnson back.

''I had a dream last night, so I knew this morning he would sign,'' Daly said. ''He's one of us! He's one of only a handful of guys who have been here since I've been here.''

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EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, CA (OCT. 19) UPI - The second of the radar- eluding B-2 Stealth bombers, under attack for being too costly and obsolete in the face of warming superpower relations, made its inaugural flight Friday.

The B-2 took off from an Air Force airstrip in Palmdale at 8:35 a.m. and stayed aloft for two hours and 36 minutes before landing at the Edwards in the Mojave Desert. It soared to 10,000 feet and flew at a speed of 325 knots per hour.

Northrop Corp., the builder of the B-2, said that the flight ended before completing all of the planned tests because crosswind speeds at Edwards reached 15 knots per hour, with gusts of 19 knots per hour - near the upper limits for crosswind landings during flight tests.

Northrop also said that the instruments showed a drop in fuel pressure in the heat exchangers in one of the bomber's engines.

Earlier this week, U.S. Senate and House negotiators agreed on a $288 billion defense authorization bill that would continue production of the B-2, which would have a price tag of $800 million per plane if all 75 sought by the Air Force are built.

But opponents of the bat-winged aircraft have complained that the program has already cost too much money, is far behind schedule and is based on defending against a Soviet threat that no longer exists.

The first B-2 flew on July 17, 1989 and has flown 16 times since then for a

total of 67 hours in the air.

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#90292u2203 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

SANTA ANA, CA (OCT. 19) UPI - A diving equipment manufacturer announced Friday that it has voluntarily recalled all of its air regulators because they may allow too much air to flow into divers' lungs.

The company, U.S. Divers, said that a functional problem with the high pressure seats of the first stage of the regulators may allow an uncontrolled flow of air to its second stage.

''If this occurs during a dive, use of the product could be hazardous,'' the company said.

U.S. Divers said the recall affects all regulators that were purchased or serviced since Aug. 15. The potentially defective part will be replaced free of charge.

The company did not indicate whether any injuries have resulted because of the problem.

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(OCT. 19) UPI - House and Senate negotiators sat down today to bridge the tremendous gap separating their views on tackling the budget deficit. The lawmakers are trying to marry a budget package produced by House Democrats with a bi-partisan Senate plan preferred by President Bush. The Senate approved its plan early today and later passed and sent to Bush a stop-gap spending bill to keep the government running.

President Bush says Congress must revise the Civil Rights Act of 1990 or face a certain veto of the measure. Bush insists that the measure would lead to quotas in the work place. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says that if the president does veto the legislation... he will promptly send to Capitol Hill his own bill designed to protect citizens without creating quotas.

A number of major bills could be forgotten as Congress scheduled a rare weekend session to begin its annual adjournment drive. Major anti- crime legislation and campaign finance reform are expected to fall by the wayside as lawmakers spend the weekend working on the 13 appropriation bills to fund the government in fiscal 1991. They also will work on the compromise budget plan.

U-S State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler says seven Americans were permitted to fly from Iraq to Jordan this week aboard regular commercial flights. Tutwiler says the seven freed hostages had earlier been taken off

evacuation flights by Iraqi authorities. There was NO indication why they were allowed to leave... and NO other details immediately available.

The State Department says letters received this week from Israel did NOT alter assurances from Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy. Levy and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir sent letters, saying their government would continue construction in all parts of Jerusalem. Levy had assured Washington that Israel would NOT use U-S funds or loan guarantees to build homes in the occupied territories.

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KALAPANA SHORES, HAWAII (OCT. 19) UPI - Molten rock from the Kilauea volcano destroyed another home and threatened others in an embattled housing area on the southeast coast of the island of Hawaii, authorities said Friday.

A major breakout Thursday night and Friday morning sent a fresh river of molten rock streaming into the area of the Kaimu Junction, in the western section of Kalapana Shores housing area, authorities said.

One home was destroyed at about 2 a.m. PDT Friday, authorities confirmed after daybreak.

Officials said lava continued to ooze forward along the front - and behind that, the flow was increasing for another surge forward.

''We have several homes that are in danger with the inflation close by the homes,'' said George Ikeda, a county worker helping the civil defense agency.

Earlier this week, the flows slackened their march along the coastline past several housing areas, but new flows became active in the already-devastated Royal Gardens and Kalapana Gardens.

The flow destroyed one of the five remaining homes of Kalapana Gardens Monday night and threatened two others, while another major flow threatened the 15 remaining homes in Royal Gardens.

An evacuation order for Kalapana Shores and areas west of the junction remained in effect, and only residents were allowed into the housing area.

Residents of three other communities - Kalapana Havens, Ross Road, and Kaimu-Makena homestead - have been told to be ready to evacuate at any moment should the flow threaten their dwellings.

Other residents were placed on alert because of the danger from laze or lava haze, which forms when molten rock hits sea water. The laze can contain dangerous substances, such as hydrochloric acid.

All coastal recreational activity for areas west of Kalapana Shores has been banned bacuse of the lava and the laze, which has been blown out to sea by strong trade winds.

Despite the warnings and evacuations, visitors have been allowed to view the activity from a point farther up the coastline.

The flow was fed by molten rock that continued to pour from the vent five miles upslope at a steady rate, roughly estimated at 650,000 cubic yards per day.

The eruption that began Jan. 3, 1983, is the longest in recorded history and has destroyed 179 homes and other structures, as well as inundating many lots and paving over miles of roadways.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 19) UPI - Kelley Blue Book, publishers of a nationally-known guide to used car and truck prices, filed suit Friday against a company using its name in a 900-line telephone number that gives out auto prices.

In the federal court complaint, Kelley claimed that Car-Smarts Inc., a company based in Laguna Niguel, Calif., violated Kelley's registered trademark in advertising Car-Smarts' telephone information service, 1- 900-BLU-BOOK.

The telephone line, like the Kelley publications, gives information regarding suggested prices for used cars and trucks, depending on model, year and condition.

The suit said the publisher, based in Irvine, Calif., has used the name ''Kelley Blue Book'' since 1954 and registered it as a trademark in 1980.

The complaint alleged that Car-Smarts' use and promotion of a telephone number similar to the book's name is likely to cause confusion among consumers and to deceive them as to the true source of the pricing information on the telephone service, which is not provided directly by Kelley.

In addition, Kelley claimed, the 900 telephone line has unfairly cut into Kelley's profits and harmed the company's reputation.

Kelley Blue Book requested an injunction barring Car-Smarts from further use of the name and unspecified damages.

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#90292u2357 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 19) UPI - President Bush today reiterated his hard-line stance against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein... both in public, and in private. Bush gave a speech, saying Saddam would NOT be rewarded with a compromise for his aggression against Kuwait. The president later passed on the same message during a meeting with a Soviet envoy who visited Baghdad last week.

The United Nations is out with a new report on the economic effects of the Persian Gulf crisis. The U-N says high oil prices and interest rates threaten to create a new group of debtor nations... making poor nations even worse off and impeding the communist bloc's transition to a market economy. The report calls for international debts to be forgiven or rescheduled.

The race is on to piece together a compromise budget plan in Congress. House and Senate negotiators are trying to work out the differences between a deficit reduction package created by House Democrats and a bipartisan Senate bill preferred by President Bush. Bush visited Capitol Hill this afternoon to encourage congressional leaders and to thank Republicans who supported the Senate-passed measure.

Dozens of protesters marched outside the White House today as President Bush and Congress prepared to square off on the Civil Rights Act of 1990. The demonstrators chanted ''We want civil rights now.'' Bush has threatened to veto the measure if Congress does NOT revise it. The president maintains the bill will lead to UNacceptable job quotas. There was NO indication lawmakers were willing to make any changes.

The Senate and House will be hard at work tomorrow and Sunday in a rare weekend session that begins the annual adjournment drive. Lawmakers plan to work on the 13 appropriation bills to fund the government- none of which have been sent to the White House for the president's approval. Work on the funding measures and a critical budget plan is expected to leave little time for other major legislation... such as campaign reform and an anti-crime package.

Today was the last day of testimony in the Portland, Oregon, wrongful-death case against California white supremacist Tom Metzger. A neo-Nazi newspaper editor confirmed that attacks on minorities in Portland increased with the arrival of skinheads connected to Metzger's White Aryan Resistance group. Metzger is being cited in the case of a black man beaten and kicked to death in Portland in 1988.

The U-S military buildup in the Persian Gulf goes on. Pentagon officials announced plans today to transfer more than 500 MA-1 tanks from storage in Europe to Saudi Arabia. The MA-1's are the most sophisticated tanks in the U-S arsenal. They can protect occupants from chemical and biological weapons... and- maybe most important of all- they're air-conditioned.

International drug kingpin Brian Peter Daniels was sentenced today in Seattle to 25 years in prison and was fined six-point-two-Million dollars. He pleaded

guilty to charges stemming from the uncovering of his Thai drug-running operation. Federal officials say Daniels has admitted to transporting 22-hundred tons of marijuana to the United States from 1984 to 1988.

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#90292u2384 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA (OCT. 19) UPI - Federal officials extended their eight-day-old search for missing biologists on the polar ice and arranged to use a new sophisticated Canadian radar plane in the hunt.

''That may be the break we're looking for,'' Gov. Steve Cowper said of plans to send up a Canadian plane with radar capable of detecting metal on the ice, probably the last hope of finding the missing twin- engine aircraft that vanished Oct. 11 with two biologists and a pilot aboard.

''My heart goes out to the families of these two brave biologists and their pilot, but I remain hopeful that we can still find them safe,'' Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan said in a statement.

Lujan asked U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regional director Walter Stieglitz to continue a search that began Oct. 12 and has turned up nothing.

''I want to ensure that, as long as there is any hope for rescue, we devote all available resources to finding them,'' Lujan said.

The Coast Guard has coordinated the search, using three of its C-130s and four civilian planes to cover a 60,000-square-mile area, some of it several times, Coast Guard spokesman Ed Moreth said.

The search was to have ended Friday night, but the federal wildlife agency hired a Canadian firm to continue the search, using a sophisticated radar system sensitive to the difference between ice and metal, Coast Guard spokesman Ray Massey said.

If the plane is on the ice in the area earmarked for continued searching, then their plane should be able to locate the downed aircraft, the Canadians told the Coast Guard.

The twin-engine Aero Commander vanished 200 miles northwest of Point Barrow, the northernmost point of land in the United States, while on a polar bear tracking mission, part of a long-term project to study the population and survival of female bears and their cubs that inhabit the icy region north of Alaska.

Two of the wildlife service's five polar bear biologists, John Bevins, 35, and George Menkens, 33, were on the plane, piloted by Clifford Minch and equipped with survival gear and two weeks' worth of food.

Searchers have spotted whales, walruses and polar bears during flights as low as 500 feet over the ice, but have turned up no sign of the missing aircraft.

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#90292u2514 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 19) UPI - Congressional negotiators are at work on Capitol Hill, trying to come up with a compromise deficit-reduction package President Bush will sign. The Senate plans to trim the budget calls for a boost in Medicare costs, along with new sin and luxury taxes and a new tax on gasoline. The House plan also calls for sin and luxury taxes, but protects Medicare and replaces the gas tax with a higher tax rate for the wealthy. The Republican Bush prefers the Senate plan.

The price of crude oil dropped further today amid more signs that Iraq would like a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Today's three-dollar decline in the price for a barrel of crude oil on the New York Mercantile Exchange capped a 16-point-four-percent drop in crude prices during the last six trading sessions The U-S benchmark West Texas Intermediate ended the day at 33 dollars 79 cents a barrel.

A credit card industry survey released today shows Americans continued to pile on the plastic. The survey revealed consumers racked up an additional 20 percent in debt on their principal credit cards through the end of 1989. That was despite high interest rates and a slowing U-S economy. But aggressive growth by the credit card industry resulted in higher bad-debt losses for the companies.

The Senate today approved 85-Million dollars in military aid to El Salvador, but placed five specific conditions on the package. Foremost among them is that the Salvadoran government must investigate and prosecute those responsible for the deaths of six Jesuit priests almost a year ago. The restrictions are designed to force the government into a peaceful settlement with Salvadoran rebels.

A crowd of demonstrators estimated at up to two-thousand people marched through the nation's capital today... protesting the federal policy forbidding native Haitians and most native Africans to give blood. The protesters call the policy discriminatory and say it encourages people to blanket them as AIDS carriers.

St. Louis fire officials are investigating a five-alarm blaze this morning at the main headquarters of the Anheuser-Busch brewery. The fire forced the brewery to shut down. Three firefighters were injured. It took about two hours for the blaze to be brought under control, with firefighters taking extra care around ammonia lines and chlorine tanks, as well as asbestos.

A California newspaper today added a strange twist to the trial of busted Dallas thrift owner Don Dixon. The San Diego newspaper reports nude photographs have sufaced of a call girl who was killed after attending a party at Dixon's beachhouse in Solana Beach, California. Dixon is accused of falsifying records to conceal money used to pay for prostitutes and support his lavish lifestyle... but he's NOT a suspect in woman's death.

There was more mud slung today in the low-down and dirty race for governor in Texas. Democratic nominee Ann Richards charges the campaign of her Republican opponent, Clayton Williams, is behind a New Mexico newspaper story that she used cocaine at a Dallas tavern 13 years ago. Richards vehemently denied the accusations

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#90292u2700 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 19) UPI - President Bush has signed another stop-gap spending bill. Bush inked the emergency funding measure tonight at 6 o'clock... just six hours before the government was due to go broke for a second time in three weeks. .

The presidential move came as House and Senate negotiators began work on blending versions of a deficit-reduction plan. The work involves melding a Democrat-crafted House package with a bipartisan Senate bill backed by Bush.

Iraq says it will begin rationing gasoline next week in another indication U-N-ordered economic sanctions against Baghdad may be taking a toll. Analysts say the move may be due to a lack of spare parts for Iraqi refineries.

People in the Northeast and Middle Atlantic states are working to fix the damage from last night's rains, winds and tornadoes. The cleanup began as the storm system pushed into New England today... knocking down more trees and power lines.

The Justice Department is welcoming a ruling today in Anchorage, Alaska. A U-S District Court judge upheld the government's indictment of Exxon... rejecting a plea to throw out charges from last year's massive oil spill.

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#90292u2841 10/19/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 19) UPI - Congressional negotiators have some breathing room in trying to craft a new deficit-reduction budget plan. President Bush signed another stop- gap spending bill tonight... keeping government operations funded for five more days. Bush put pen to paper, saying he felt reassured that lawmakers are making ''satisfactory progress'' on an agreement to lessen the nation's red ink.

The United Nations will NOT be sending a mission to investigate the shooting deaths of at least 20 Palestinians at Jerusalem's Temple Mount. U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar says he decided NOT to send a mission because of Israel's refusal to co-operate. The U-N leader also rejected an Israeli proposal that he instead accept an Israeli government report on the violence.

Two French planes landed at Beirut International Airport today to fly the family of defeated General Michel Aoun and a number of his aides out of Lebanon. The planes made the trip following a reported accord between the Lebanese and French governments. Security sources say Aoun's wife and three daughters are among the ''political refugees'' traveling to France. Aoun, however, remains in the French Embassy in Beirut.

Both sides rested their cases today in the Fort Lauderdale, Florida, obscenity trial of the Miami rap group 2 Live Crew. The judge then scheduled closing arguments for tomorrow morning. Earlier in the day, two defense witnesses testified that the performance that landed the black group in court had serious artistic and political value. Both are among the yardsticks the jury must consider in determining whether a work is obscene.

A Canadian abortion rights activist was acquitted today of violating a Nova Scotia ban on abortions. Henry Morgentaler said he plans to reopen his clinic after a judge ruled today the province had NO right to pass the law banning abortions and other medical procedures because the measure was aimed mainly at Morgentaler. Provincial officials did NOT immediately say if they would appeal the ruling.

Owners of a Houston art gallery fear a recent theft of several drawings may have been an anti-Semitic act. Three of the six stolen drawings depicted scenes from the Holocaust... while more costly works in the gallery were ignored. The Hooks-Epstein Galleries owners say the show was their first in 20 years with any religious significance. The missing sketches are valued at about 58-hundred dollars.

A five-month-old male chimpanzee is recovering from a 90-minute operation at the St. Louis Zoo to amputate his right hand. The young chimp suffered a severe bite from another chimp earlier this week after he wandered away from his mother. Doctors amputated the hand after it was determined they could NOT save it or reattach it.

Believe it or NOT, women's breasts are different from men. That rather obvious observation was made yesterday by a human sexuality expert detailing the subject for a Houston City Council committee writing regulations for sexually oriented businesses. Sexuality expert Gayle Beck says exposing male's breast to American women does NOT arouse women, but bare female breasts do tend to excite men.

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#90293d0350 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RABAT, (OCT 20) - Morocco is at loggerheads with the United Nations about the future of Western Sahara, annexed by Morocco after Spanish colonial rule ended in 1975, indicates an official document released here Friday.

The document, a memorandum addressed to the United Nations, accuses it of seeking to undermine Morocco's "sovereign status" and introducing "new elements" into the dispute between the Moroccan government and the U.N.

The dispute dates back to July 30, three days after the U.N. Security Council passed a resolution backing efforts by U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to have a referendum held in the territory.

Moroccan troops have built defensive walls out across the desert to thwart the Polisario Front resistance movement, which is seeking self-determination for the Western Sahara.

The front has long been backed by Algeria and has founded a Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic (S.A.D.R.) which is recognized by many African countries but not by the United Nations.

The government's memo to Mr. Perez de Cuellar says Morocco finds it "difficult to understand" why Moroccan paramilitary units, "under the authority of the ministry of the interior and not the armed forces," should be "neutralized and disarmed" for a U.N.-monitored referendum on autonomy for the Western Sahara.

The Rabat government also reckoned, according to the memo, that a U.N. plan to allow a six-week-long campaign leading up to the referendum was "manifestly excessive", while the "means of expression envisaged are far beyond those necessary for democratic debate".

Moroccan opposition parties this summer accused the United Nations of wanting the country to "abandon" its full sovereignty on the referendum issue, as a U.N. technical team led by Issa Diallo went to Morocco, Mauritania and Algeria in July and to evaluate the costs to the U.N. of holding a referendum.

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#90293d0380 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VENICE, ITALY, (OCT 20) - Fiat boss Giovanni Agnelli admitted Saturday there was a "possibility" of a deal between the Italian vehicle group and Chrysler.

Speaking to journalists here, he said that "there is a possibility of an industrial and commercial agreement with Chrysler".

Mr. Agnelli said the American automaker "has a few products which interest us,

especially in the 'monovolume' cars sector", but declined to go into further details.

It was the first time the Fiat boss has not dismissed as "unfounded" the possibility of such an accord, which has been raised several times in vehicle industry circles and even by Chrysler top management.

Mr. Agnelli was speaking on the sidelines of a Trilateral Cooperation meeting of representatives from Europe, North America and Japan.

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#90293d0400 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG, (OCT 20) - An earthquake measuring 6.2 on the Richter scale hit China's western province of Gansu Saturday, the New China News Agency (NCNA) said in a report monitored here.

NCNA said the quake struck at 16:07 Beijing time (0807 GMT). Shortly afterwards, another quake measuring 5.1 on the Richter scale hit the same region, the agency said, adding that no casualties had been reported so far.

Strong aftershocks were felt in Tianzhu and Jingtai counties and in Baiyin, Lanzhou and Wuwei cities, the official news agency said. But it gave no further details.

A quake measuring 6.0 on the Richter scale can cause severe damage in a built-up area, while one measuring 7.0 is capable of causing widespread, heavy damage.

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#90293d0540 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS, (OCT. 20) - The United States has increasing evidence that U.N.-agreed sanctions against Iraq are beginning to hurt its economy, Defence Secretary Richard Cheney said here following talks with French counterpart Jean-Pierre Chevenement.

Cheney said he hoped the economic blockade would force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait but added that he could not rule out the use of military action against Baghdad.

Cheney said he thought the sanctions would help weaken Iraq's resolve to maintain its ''massive military machinery''.

Chevenement underlined the ''defensive nature'' of France's troops sent to the Gulf following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The ministers sidestepped questions on the military command structure in the

Gulf in the event of an armed intervention.

Neither was there any clarification from the French minister on whether French troops would take part in an attack on Iraq.

However he confirmed reports that an unstipulated number of French troops would be withdrawn from positions near the Iraqi border to more central regions of Saudi Arabia following a request from the Saudi government. Reports here said this was not thought to have any political significance.

Cheney, who arrived here from talks in Moscow, is scheduled to meet President Francois Mitterrand on Monday.

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#90293d0560 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS, (OCT 20) - The United States and France Saturday agreed to step up coordination of their air and ground forces in Saudi Arabia, French Defence Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement said here.

"We have provided for improving liaison and coordination ... between our forces," applying to "air and land", Mr. Chevenement told a joint news conference with his U.S. counterpart Dick Cheney, who arrived here from Moscow on Friday.

Mr. Chevenement stressed that the coordination would take place in the context of "the orientation set by the Saudis", referring to the host government.

Mr. Chevenement did not specify areas for coordination, but he did not rule out joint training of U.S. and French pilots, while the presence of French officers on board U.S. AWACS early warning planes also appears likely.

France and the United States already have "excellent coordination" as far as naval forces are concerned, Mr. Chevenement said, in operations enforcing international sanctions voted by the United Nations after the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

France has some 24 fighters in Saudi Arabia in addition to 5,000 ground troops while the United States has amassed some 170,000 troops in the Gulf since the Iraqi invasion.

Asked about possible joint military command, Mr. Chevenement stressed that Saudi Arabia, as a sovereign country, was responsible for establishing the "general orientation" of the foreign forces.

Mr. Cheney said that Washington "has an arrangement with the Saudi government that safeguards our needs in terms of command arrangements for U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia, and that satisfies Saudi needs on sovereignty".

"Each nation has negotiated arrangements with the Saudi host ... we believe the arrangements we have are working at present," he added.

Both ministers also stressed that they saw the U.N. embargo as the key to forcing Iraqi President Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait.

"We are very hopeful that we will be able to achieve our objectives peacefully " said Mr. Cheney.

He pointed to Iraq's decision Friday to ration oil and gas as part of the "growing evidence" that the sanctions were working.

Over time, the embargo is "bound to have a serious impact on the Iraqi economy but also on its ability to maintain this massive military machine," he said.

During their talks Saturday the two defence ministers "compared arrangements" in the Gulf and discussed "certain reinforcements under way", according to Mr. Chevenement, in addition to touching on disarmament negotiations affecting Europe.

Mr. Cheney is to meet French President Francois Mitterrand before leaving for home on Monday.

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#90293d0630 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG, (OCT 20) - China, recalling its losses at the hands of Japanese forces, called on Tokyo on Saturday to "act prudently" in considering sending troops abroad for the first time since World War II.

The official New China News Agency (NCNA), in a report monitored here, cited a leading foreign ministry official as saying the proposal had aroused "anxiety among neighbouring Asian countries" and dissatisfaction in Japan itself.

"The agressive war launched by Japanese militarists in the past inflicted disasters upon the Chinese people and other peoples in Asia and ... this is still fresh in the minds of people today," the official said.

The issue was "very sensitive", he said, adding that the strong reaction in the region over the plan was "well justified."

"The Chinese government has repeatedly expressed the hope that the Japanese government will take these factors into full consideration and act prudently.

"Otherwise, the feelings of the Asian people will be unavoidably hurt and it will eventually bring no good to Japan itself," the official said.

The Japanese government has introduced a bill in parliament proposing to send troops abroad on international peace keeping missions.

The bill was a result of pressure from Japan's Western allies, especially the United States which wants Tokyo to do more to help in the Gulf crisis.

Opponents of the plan say it would violate Japan's 1947 constitution, which was imposed by the United States after Japan's defeat in 1945.

The constitution calls on Japan to renounce war and "the threat or use of force in settling international conflicts."

Japan's military past and possible future role in Asia is a highly sensitive issue, where memories of its World War II conquests remain alive.

China is especially wary, remembering how Japanese troops carved out the puppet state of Manchukuo (Manchuria) in the early 1930s before overrunning much of the country.

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#90293d0870 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MBARARA, UGANDA, (OCT 20) - The Rwandan rebels are willing to take up the government's offer of ceasefire and peace talks, rebel sources in Uganda said Saturday.

"We welcome the proposals if they are sincere. We would rather talk than fight " one of the sources said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The sources said the Rwandan government had however not yet contacted the rebels' Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) to agree a forum for peace talks to end the three-week-old conflict in northern Rwanda.

Rwandan President Juvenal Habyramina has told his Ugandan and Tanzanian counterparts that he wanted to open neogitations, they said, "but so far there has been no official contact with us."

Asked about the rebels' pre-conditions for negotiations, the sources said they they preferred to state those directly to the government in Kigali, other governments in the region or the Organisation of African Unity (OAU).

"All questions of pre-conditions will be discussed with those we have to talk with," one of them said.

"We've been waiting 30 years for talks to settle the problem of the two million Rwandan refugees who are shut out of their country."

A first wave of Rwandan refugees fled to Uganda to escape tribal massacres in

1959 when the majority Hutu tribe ousted the dominant minority Tutsi.

Rwandan-origin troops invaded northeast Rwanda from Uganda three weeks ago.

On Wednesday, Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni said Major-General Habyarimana had agreed at a meeting with him and Tanzanian President Ali Hassan Mwinyi to open talks and allow the refugees to return to tiny, overpopulated Rwanda.

In Brussels meanwhile, Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens said he had met Friday with representatives of the rebels at their request. There had been progress and he hoped a ceasefire could begin "in the course of the next week".

The rebels have hitherto demanded that the Rwandan president resign and foreign troops leave the country before there could be negotiations.

Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens for his part said Saturday that Belgian troops would leave Rwanda if there was an effective ceasefire.

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#90293d0960 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS, (OCT 20) - Around 15,000 people demonstrated in the streets here Saturday against Western military intervention in the Gulf and the French role in the military build-up there.

The peaceful demonstration, employing the slogan "No war", was backed by communist, leftwing and ecologist parties and trade union organisations.

In the city of Lyons, some 500 people also demonstrated.

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#90293d1010 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD, (OCT 20) - Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath met here Saturday with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz in a bid to secure the release of sick and elderly Britons held in Iraq.

The Iraqi News Agency reported that Mr. Heath, who arrived here earlier in the day from Amman, and Mr. Aziz exchanged views on the current situation in the Gulf.

Stressing that his mission was to be purely humanitarian, Mr. Heath said before arrival that he did not plan to discuss the Gulf crisis in his meeting Sunday with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The former British premier arrived in Baghdad after a 24-hour stop-over in the Jordanian capital, where he held talks with King Hussein.

Mr. Heath, whose visit to Iraq has aroused fierce controversy in Britain, said he had been urged to intervene by relatives of the hostages. The visit was planned for a week ago but delayed at the request of the Iraqi authorities.

Of the estimated 5,000 people held in Iraq since the August 2 invasion of Kuwait, almost 1,500 are said to be British, including some 70 who are sick and elderly.

About 500 hostages are being detained at strategic sites in what Iraq says is a move to dissuade an attack by Western military forces that deployed in the Gulf region after the invasion.

Swedish Foreign Ministry official Peter Osvald arrived in Baghdad on Friday on a similar mission for the 90 Swedes held in Iraq.

Iraqi authorities have set a deadline of November 5 for foreigners living in Kuwait to sign up with immigration authorities or face punishment. Many foreigners are believed to be in hiding in the occupied emirate.

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#90293d1060 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, (OCT 20) - The need for united pressure against Iraq was stressed in talks between British premier Margaret Thatcher and her Italian counterpart, Giulio Andreotti, here Saturday, sources close to the talks said.

The two leaders said after the meeting that they agreed on the need for a strong statement from the EEC on its policies towards Iraq.

Mr. Andreotti stressed the need to find a peaceful solution to the crisis sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The two prime ministers also discussed European monetary union and international trade negotiations within the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), the sources said.

Italy currently holds the rotating presidency of the European Economic Community (EEC). Mrs. Thatcher and Mr. Andreotti met at Chequers, the official residence of British prime ministers north of London.

An Italian source said Mrs. Thatcher emphasised that "Europe must avoid confrontation with the United States at a time when they are defending our common interests in the Gulf".

This was a reference to trade talks within the framework of GATT, where the United States is insisting on much bigger cuts in agricultural subsidies than EEC countries are prepared to make.

Mr. Andreotti said at a press conference after the meeting that Britain and France were also at odds about EEC monetary union. Mrs. Thatcher is opposed to the replacement of national currencies by a common currency for EEC countries.

Later the Italian prime minister left for Rome.

The Italian president, Francesco Cossiga, is scheduled to make a state visit to London next month.

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#90293d1070 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN, (OCT 20) - Six German men who had been held hostage in Iraq arrived here Saturday aboard an Iraqi Airways flight, correspondents said.

Two other German nationals were also to have left Saturday but their departure was delayed because of last-minute visa problems, according to Horst Kampfhr, one of the six arriving Saturday.

He said the pair would probably leave Baghdad on Sunday, adding that other Germans might also be authorized to fly to the Jordan as well.

Mr. Kampfhr attributed their release to the intervention of "certain German parties," which he would not identify.

In Bonn, European MP Dieter Schinzel said the six had been on a list of urgent humanitarian cases established by the German Embassy in Baghdad.

The German foreign ministry estimated that more than 300 German nationals remained trapped in Iraq and Kuwait as part of an Iraqi move to deter a Western military attack.

Western nations strengthened their military presence in the Gulf region following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

Some 5,000 Western and Japanese nationals are currently believed held in Iraq and Kuwait against their will.

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#90293d1110 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VATICAN CITY, (OCT 20) - Pope John Paul II on Saturday called on Catholic priests to remember that their primary vocation was to spread the gospel.

He was delivering a message here on the eve of the 64th annual world evangelism day.

"The Church exists to evangelize," said the pope. "All priests must be deeply

convinced that their life has also been devoted to evangelism."

Some 50,000 Catholic priests currently work in missions and 19,000 seminary students are being trained for the pastoral vocation, according to Radio Vatican.

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#90293d8570 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA, (OCT 20) - Indonesian President Suharto gave Saturday 10 million U.S. dollars to visiting black South African leader Nelson Mandela to support the struggle of the black majority in South Africa.

Both men had two hours of talks at the presidential Merdeka Palace. Suharto also gave Mandela 250,000 dollars aid for the African frontline states in recognition of sacrifices they had made in rejecting apartheid, Indonesian State Secretary Moerdino said.

After the meeting, Mandela expressed the thanks of the African National Congress (Anc), of which he is deputy president, for Indonesian support.

''We deeply appreciate your friendship and solidarity and have confidence that victory is certain'', he said at a meeting with senior Indonesian officials including Foreign Minister Ali Alatas.

Mandela arrived here Friday and is due to leave for Australia Monday.

-30- 1062

#90293d8800 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH, (OCT 20) - Around 100 of the U.S. troops deployed in Saudi Arabia have converted to Islam, a Saudi preacher said in a newspaper interview published Saturday.

Mohammad al-Akkas, in charge of briefing U.S. troops on the customs of his country, told An-Nadwah daily that 35 of the soldiers had announced their conversion to Islam in the eastern region of Dhahran.

He did not identify the converts but said they were "of different ages, both white and black." The Moslem preacher added that he expected more U.S. soldiers to convert.

Around 200,000 U.S. troops have been deployed in Saudi Arabia and other parts of the Gulf to defend the kingdom against a possible Iraqi attack, following the August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

They have been instructed to respect the religious and social customs in Saudi Arabia, a strict Islam country where practise of any other religion is not

tolerated.

Iraq has accused Saudi Arabia of soiling Islam's holiest shrines of Mecca and Medina, in the west of the kingdom, by allowing the deployment of Western troops on its soil.

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#90293d9350 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOGADISHU, (OCT 20) - A group of Somali refugees from Kuwait have accused their government and international relief agencies of being indifferent to their plight in the wake of the Iraqi invasion of the emirate.

Speaking at a press conference here Saturday, a nine-man committee representing an estimated 4,000 Somali nationals trapped in Kuwait and other refugee camps scattered in Jordanian and Saudi Arabian deserts, described the conditions there as "appalling and inhumane".

There was no food, water or shelter, committee members said.

Asked how they escaped through Jordan and Saudi Arabia, one of them said that Iraqi soldiers at border check-points expropriated all their belongings and forcibly sent them back to Baghdad.

The Somali embassy in Baghdad had provided some of the refugees with "non-stop transit visas" via Saudi Arabia but on arrival there, they were handcuffed in two's and mercilessly thrown into cages, he added.

So far, about 500 out of the 4,000 Somalis in Kuwait have in one way or another managed to return to Somalia penniless, the committee said.

"We are calling on the the Somali government and other international organizations to ascertain and register the number of Somali nationals and their assets trapped in Kuwait and Iraq", committee member Ismail Abdi Herriye said.

Mr. Herriye said that the group had not yet lost hope, as they were still looking forward to meeting with Somali President Mohamed Siad Barre for a redress to their greviances.

-30- 1711
#90293d9930 10/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VATICAN CITY, (OCT 20) - The Pope called here Saturday for withdrawal of all foreign troops from Lebanon, and said the Lebanese people need help to overcome their rivalries and resentments.

The call came in a message to the leader of Lebanon's Maronite Christians,

Pierre Nasrallah Sfeir, patriarch of Antioch, who had turned down an invitation to a papal synod because of instability in his country.

In the message, Pope John Paul II said he hoped fervently that everything possible would be done quickly to achieve withdrawal of all foreign troops from Lebanon.

He said this was necessary if the Lebanese were to become "totally responsible for their own decisions" and restore confidence in their national institutions.

The pope called on everyone in a position to help "to help the Lebanese overcome the rivalries and resentments of the past".

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#90293p7538 10/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, (OCT. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced a decrease in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The decrease of $3.50/bbl was effective today (Saturday, Oct. 20) at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$32.50 for West Texas Intermediate $30.50 for West Texas Sour $33.00 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E60. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90293t3943 10/20/1990 ~ts

LONDON (OCT. 20) TASS - SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV'S ENVOY YEVGENY PRIMAKOV, A MEMBER OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL, TODAY MET BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY DOUGLAS HURD TO DISCUSS THE GULF CRISIS.

PRIMAKOV TOLD TASS THAT HE REAFFIRMED THE SOVIET UNION'S "UNCONDITIONAL COMMITMENT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS" DURING THE MEETING, BUT POINTED OUT THAT HIS COUNTRY WOULD SEEK TO PREVENT A MILITARY CONFLICT IN THE GULF.

A BRITISH FOREIGN OFFICE SPOKESMAN TOLD TASS THAT THE SIDES HAD A "VERY FULL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS" DURING THEIR ONE-HOUR MEETING AND THAT PRIMAKOV BRIEFED HURD ON HIS TALKS WITH IRAQI PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN AND SUBSEQUENT CONSULTATIONS IN ROME, PARIS AND WASHINGTON.

PRIMAKOV IS EXPECTED TO DISCUSS THE GULF CRISIS WITH PRIME MINISTER MARGARET THATCHER AT CHEQUERS, HER COUNTRY HOME, THIS AFTERNOON.

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#90293t3945 10/20/1990 ~ts
CAIRO (OCT. 20) TASS - IRAQ HAS NO MISSILES WITH CHEMICAL WARHEADS, ISRAELI DEFENCE MINISTER MOSHE ARENS TOLD THE TEL AVIV- BASED HA'ARETZ NEWSPAPER.

HE SAID THE PROCESS OF EQUIPPING LONGER-RANGE MISSILES WITH CHEMICAL WARHEADS "IS NOT SIMPLE AND REQUIRES TIME".

AN ARAB HUMAN RIGHTS ORGANISATION DENOUNCED THE LOOTING AND VIOLENCE BY THE IRAQI OCCUPATION ARMY IN KUWAIT.

IT DESCRIBED THE ARMY'S ACTIONS AS "RUNNING COUNTER TO ALL NORMS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND MORAL STANDARDS" AND AS A "CRIME AGAINST HUMANITY", SAUDI ARABIA'S AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT NEWSPAPER SAYS TODAY.

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#90293u0033 10/20/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 21) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

NY Islanders	0	2	1-3
Washington	1	2	1-4

First period-1, Washington, Druce 2 (Hatcher), pp, 8:37.

Penalties-Crossman, NYI, 7:48; Baumgartner, NYI, 9:26.

Second period-2, NY Islanders, Volek 4 (unassisted), 1:26; 3, NY Islanders, Wood 1 (Volek, McBean), pp, 3:41; 4, Washington, Druce 2 (Pivonka, Johansson), pp, 8:25; 5, Washington, Hatcher 1 (Pivonka, Johansson), pp, 18:57.

Penalties-Pivonka, Wash, 1:53; Crossman, NYI, 8:00; Hunter, Wash, 17:50; Sutter, NYI, 17:50; Nylund, NYI, 18:45.

Third period-6, NY Islanders, Volek 5 (Parks, Ludwig), 1:16. 7, Washington, Ridley 4 (Hatcher, Johansson), pp, 10:31.

Penalties-Hunter, Wash, 5:56, major (fighting), double-minor; Nylund, NYI, 5:56 double-major (high-sticking-fighting), game misconduct; Wood, NYI, 14:16; Druce, Wash, 14:16.

Shots on goal-NY Islanders 6-13-7-26. Washington 8-12-8-28.

Power-play conversions-NY Islanders 1-1. Washington 5-4.

Goaltenders-NY Islanders, Hackett. Washington, Liut. A-14,164.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

Vancouver	0-2-3--5
Winnipeg	2-1-4--7

First period-1. Winnipeg, Fenton 2 (Ashton, McDermid) 2:08. 2. Winnipeg, Numminen 2 (McLlwain, Pasalawski) 9:40.

Penalties-Cronin, Wpg, 6:14; Plavsic, Van, 10:25; Butcher, Van, 11:28; Mantha, Wpg, 11:28; Butcher, Van, 15:33.

Second period-3. Vancouver, Capuano 3 (Quinn, Lidster) 1:00. 4. Winnipeg, McLlwain 3 (Arniel, Paslawski), 12:57. 5. Vancouver, Capuano 4, (Quinn, Plasic), pp, 17:23.

Penalties-Smyl, Van (double minor), 5:40; Fenton, Wpg, (double minor), 5:40; Cronin, Wpg, 16:49.

Third period-6. Winnipeg, McDermid 2 (Ashton, Fenton), pp, 1:55. 7. Vancouver, Smyl 1 (Lumme, Bradley), 2:09. 8. Vancouver, Bozek 1 (Smyl, Bradley), 8:29. 9. Winnipeg, Arniel 1 (Carlyle, Paslawski), 8:48. 10. Winnipeg, Steen 3 (Cronin), 15:37. 11. Vancouver, Kron 2 (unassisted), sh, 17:23. 12. Winnipeg, McLlwain (unassisted), 19:40.

Penalties-Butcher, Van, 0:19; Steen, Wpg, 5:23; Skriko, Van, 16:15.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 5-13-5-23; Winnipeg 13-8-10-31.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 1-3. Winnipeg 1-4.

Goaltenders-McLean, Vancouver; Essensa, Winnipeg. A-12,900.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

Boston	0	1	0-1
Edmonton	4	4	0-8

First period-1, Edmonton, Simpson 3 (Lamb), 12:42. 2, Edmonton, Lamb 1 (Linseman, Semenov), 13:27. 3, Edmonton, Linseman 2 (Klima, Murphy), pp, 15:16. 4, Edmonton, Klima 2 (G. Smith, Anderson), 18:21.

Penalties-Lamb, Edm, 2:30; Sweeney, Bos, 7:08; Lowe, Edm, 9:14; Graves, Edm, major (fighting), 14:03; Quintal, Bos, major (fighting), 14:03; Buchberger, Edm, 14:27; Nilan, Bos, double-minor, 14:27; Simpson, Edm, 14:45; Galley, Bos,

14:45; Wiemer, Bos, double-minor.

Second period-5, Edmonton, Klima 3 (Murphy, MacTavish), pp, 3:08; 6, Edmonton, S. Smith 2 (unassisted), pp, 4:04. 7, Edmonton, Huddy 1 (Klima, Tikkanen), 13:47. 8, Edmonton, Lamb 2 (S. Smith, Tikkanen), 17:07. 9, Boston, Neely 4 (Janney, Galley), pp, 19:12.

Penalties- Klima, Edm, 0:44; Pedersen, Bos, 3:27; Nilan, Bos, major (fighting) 9:57; Buchberger, Edm, major (fighting), 9:57; Burridge, Bos, 14:47; Nilan, Bos, major (fighting), 17:53; Quintal, Bos, major (fighting), game misconduct, 17:53; S.Smith, Edm, major (fighting), 17:53; Buchberger, Edm, major (fighting), game misconduct, 17:53; Wiemer, Bos, major (fighting), 10-minute misconduct, 20:00; Neely, Bos, 20:00; G.Smith, Edm, major (fighting), 10-minute misconduct, 20:00; Simpson, Edm, 20:00.

Third period-No scoring.

Penalties-Walz, Bos, 4:31; Tikkanen, Edm, major (high sticking), game misconduct, 4:31; Wesley, Bos, 9:09; Nilan, Bos, 13:00; Simpson, Edm, 13:00; S.Smith, Edm, 14:29; Sweeney, Bos, 18:54; Gelinas, Edm, 18:54; Markwart, Bos, 19:14; S.Smith, Edm, 19:14; Ranford, Edm, 19:14.

Shots on goal-Boston 9-8-5-22. Edmonton 12-11-8-31.

Power-play conversions-Boston 6-1. Edmonton 7-3.

Goaltenders-Boston, Lemelin, Moog (start of third). Edmonton, Ranford. A-17,503.

Referee-Paul Steward.

Hartford	0	1	1-2
Los Angeles	0	2	3-5

First period-No scoring.

Penalties-Verbeek, Har, 12:49; Granato, LA, 14:40; Evason, Har, 17:56.

Second period-1, Los Angeles, Duchesne 2 (Kudelski, Jones), 4:44. 2, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 4 (Granato, Blake), 6:41. 3, Hartford, Young 2 (Babych, Dineen), pp, 7:36.

Penalties-Holik, Har, 1:04; Krushelnyski, LA, 7:13; Wilson, Har, 10:23.

Third period-4, Los Angeles, Elik 4 (McSorley, Robinson), pp, 4:45. 5, Hartford, Holik 3 (Verbeek, Francis), 5:08. 6, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 5 (Granato, Blake), pp, 9:25. 7, Los Angeles, Gretzky 7 (Duchesne), en, 18:48.

Penalties-Krygier, Har, :52; Granato, LA, :52; Andersson, Har, 2:59; Elik, LA, 5:46; Ladouceur, Har, 8:39; Elik, LA, 12:51; Elik, LA, 15:49.

Shots on goal-Hartford 10-8-11-29. Los Angeles 12-9-7-29.

Power-play conversions-Hartford 5-1. Los Angeles 6-2.

Goaltenders-Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. Los Angeles, Hrudey. A-14,499.

Referee-Rob Shick.

Detroit	1	2	0	-3
Quebec	2	3	0	-5

First period-1, Quebec, Sakic 6 (Finn, Sundin), 9:19. 2, Quebec, Hough 3 (Fogarty), 10:09. 3, Detroit, Burr 4 (Fedorov, Habsheid), pp, 15:52.

Penalties-Fedorov, Det, 1:54; Detroit bench, served by McClelland, 4:26; Velischek, Que, 14:11.

Second period-4, Detroit, Fedyk 2 (Garpenlov, Fedorov), 3:03. 5, Detroit, Barr 1 (Wilkie, Gallant), pp, 6:48. 6, Quebec, Petit 4 (Sakic, Fogarty), pp, 9:45. 7, Quebec, Deblois 1 (Broten, Fortier), 11:22. 8, Quebec, Sakic 7 (Sundin, Fogarty), 14:28.

Penalties-McClelland, Det, minor-major (fighting), 4:20; McRae, Que, major (fighting), 4:20; Fortier, Que, 6:08; McCrimmon, Det, 9:09; Deblois, Que, 18:19; Cirella, Que, 19:19.

Third period-No scoring.

Penalties- McCrimmon, Det, 3:29; Chiasson, Det, major (fighting), 5:30; Hough, Que, minor- major (fighting), 5:30.

Shots on goal-Detroit 11 12 17-40. Quebec 11 8 10-29.

Power-play conversions-Detroit 5-2. Quebec 5-1.

Goaltenders-Detroit, Chevrier, Cheveldae (14:28 second period). Quebec, Tanner. A- 13,406.

Referee-Mike McGeough.

Buffalo	1	2	0	--3
NY Islanders	1	0	0	--1

First period-1, NY Islanders, McBean 1 (King, Volek), 1:36 (pp). 2, Buffalo, Hogue 2 (Audette, Hawerchuk), 3:00.

Penalties-Ramsey, Buf, 0:11; Pilon, NYI, 5:59; Krupp, Buf, 9:07.

Second period-3, Buffalo, Vaive 5 (Turgeon, Andreychuk), 12:06 (pp). 4, Buffalo, Audette 1 (Ruuttu, Houlder), 12:37 (pp).

Penalties-Pilon, NYI, 6:33; NYI, bench minor served by Chyzowski, 10:46; Ludwig, NYI, 11:19; Brown, Buf, 13:36; Ramsay, Buf, 17:51.

Third period-none.

Penalties-Turgeon, Buf, 1:08; Houlder, Buf, 14:28. Shots on goal- Buffalo 7 6 6-19, NY Islanders 9 5 7-21.

Power-play conversions-Buffalo 4-2, NY Islanders 6-1.

Goaltenders-Buffalo, Malarchuk. NY Islanders, Hackett. A-11,275.

Referee-Paul Devorski.

NY Rangers	1	2	1-4
Pittsburgh	0	0	3-3

First period-1, NY Rangers, Gartner 8 (Mullen, Leetch), pp, 11:02.

Penalties-Rice, NYR, 4:39; Moller, NYR, 6:08; Gilhen, Pit, 10:27; Jagr, Pit, 14:40; Gartner, NYR, 16:14; Barrasso (served by Bourque), Pit, 16:14; Janssens NYR, major (fighting); Paek, Pit, minor-major (fighting) 18:10; Turcotte, NYR 19:50.

Second period-2, NY Rangers, Nicholls, 6 (Moller, Sheppard), 3:46. 3, NY Rangers, Janssens 2 (King, Shaw), 18:45.

Penalties-Vial, NYR, 5:14; Mallette, NYR, 9:57; Dahlquist, Pit, 13:14; Mallette, NYR, 15:08; Errey, Pit, 15:08; Vial, NYR, 16:29; Caufield, Pit, double minor, 16:29; Brown, Pit, misconduct, 16:29.

Third period-4, Pittsburgh, Mullen 6 (Coffey, Cullen), pp, 4:22. 5, Pittsburgh Cullen 7 (Coffey, Tanti) 4:43. 6, Coffey 3 (Cullen), 12:14. 7, NY Rangers, Mullen 4 (Turcotte, Leetch), 16:43.

Penalties-Nicholls, NYR, 2:27; Shaw, NYR, 5:30; Bourque, Pit, 5:30.

Shots on goal-NY Rangers 13-14-9-36. Pittsburgh 11-8-14-33.

Power-play conversions-NY Rangers 1-5. Pittsburgh 1-6.

Goaltenders-NY Rangers, Vanbiesbrouck. Pittsburgh, Barrasso. A-16,164.

Referee-Denis Morel.

Philadelphia	1	2	2	5
Montreal	1	2	0	3

First period-1, Montreal, Chorske 1 (Lebeau, Pederson), pp, 4:44. 2, Philadelphia, Eklund, 2 (Craven, Samuelsson), 16:31.

Penalties-Berube, Phi, 3:06; Chychrun, Phi, 5:42; Corson, Mtl, 6:52; Chorske, Mtl, 9:14; Berube, Phi, 19:01.

Second period-3, Philadelphia, Sutter 3 (Howe, Craven), pp, 1:53. 4, Montreal, Richer 5 (Skrudland, McPhee), 6:56. 5, Montreal, Courtnall 3 (Unassisted), 7:59. 6, Philadelphia, Lacombe 4 (Hostak, Smith), 18:35.

Penalties-Carbonneau, Mtl, 0:50; Carkner, Phi, 3:51; Berube, Phi, 11:18; Richer, Mtl, 11:18; Samuelsson, Phi, 11:48; Corson, Mtl, 11:48.

Third period-7, Philadelphia, Mellanby 3 (Howe, Carkner), pp, 7:46. 8, Philadelphia, Eklund 3 (Craven, Latal),13:25.

Penalties- Chychrun, Phi, 4:04; McPhee, Mtl, 5:55; Carkner, Phi, 14:18; Corson Mtl, 14:18.

Shots on goal-Philadelphia 11-9-7-27. Montreal 7-8-9-26

Power-play conversions-Philadelphia 4-2. Montreal 4-1.

Goaltenders-Philadelphia, Wregget. Montreal, Roy. A-17,453

Referee-Kerry Fraser

New Jersey	0	0	0-0
Washington	2	0	2-4

First period-1, Washington, Druce 4 (Bondra, Ridley), 3:08; 2, Washington, Hunter 3 (Johansson, Felix), 5:44.

Penalties-Daneyko, NJ, (double minor) 3:37; MacLean, NJ, 8:17; MacLean, NJ, 10:37; May, Wash, (fighting; instigating minor), 14:59; Stewart, NJ, (fighting), 14:59; Daneyko, NJ, 17:35; Maley, NJ, 17:35; Hunter, Wash, 17:35; Kypreos, Wash, 17:35; Langway, Wash, 18:36.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Ciccarelli, Wash, 12:40; Fetisov, NJ, 12:40; Ciccarelli, Wash, 17:51.

Third period-3, Washington, Johansson 2 (Felix, Ridley), 8:20; 4, Washington, Johansson 3 (Zezel, Leach), 17:30.

Penalties-Sundstrom, NJ, 6:52; Shanahan, NJ, 10:48; MacLean, NJ, (game misconduct), 6:41; Maley, NJ, (double minor), 6:26; Hunter, Wash, 6:26; Lemieux, NJ, (fighting), 17:55; Shanahan, NJ, (fighting, game misconduct), 17:55; Weinrich, NJ, (misconduct), 17:55; Langway, Wash, (fighting), 17:55; Hatcher, Wash, (fighting, game misconduct), 17:55; Leach, Wash, (misconduct), 17:55.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 15-7-5-27. Washington 17-4-15-36.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 3-0. Washington 7-2.

Goaltenders-New Jersey, Terreri. Washington, Beaupre.

A-15,521.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

Chicago	0	1	1	--2
Toronto	2	4	0	--6

First Period-1, Toronto, Leeman 1 (Thibadeau), 5:31. 2, Toronto, Ramage 2 (Iafrate, Damphousse), pp, 18:18.

Penalties-Grimson, Chi, 18:14.

Second Period-3, Toronto, Clark 4 (Leeman, Ramage), pp, 0:27, 4, Toronto, Thornton 1 (Ramage), 4:45, 5, Chicago, Gilbert 1 (Murray, Yawney), 10:01, 6, Toronto, Maguire 1 (McIntyre, Hannan), 11:11, 7, Damphousse 4 (Olczyk) 17:45.

Penalties-Gilbert, Chi, 0:08, Berehowsky, Tor, 6:09, Creighton, Chi, 7:22, Peluso, Chi, major (fighting) 13:34, Clark, Tor, major (fighting), 13:34, Franceschetti, Tor, 13:34, McIntyre, Tor, 15:15.

Third Period-8, Chicago, Murray 2, (Yawney, Chelios), pp, 8:37.

Penalties-Maguire, Tor, 2:57, Presley, Chi, 3:04, Berehowsky, Tor, 5:38, Thornton, Tor, double minor (holding, instigating), major (fighting), minor served by Maguire, 8:04, Peluso, Chi, major (fighting) 8:04, Creighton, Chi, game misconduct (third man in), 8:04, Grimson, Chi, 11:36, Franceschetti, Tor, 11:36, Murray, Chi, 14:15, Presley, Chi, 17:02, Grimson, Chi, 17:02, Ramage, Tor, 17:02, Maguire, Tor, 17:02, McIntyre, Tor, 17:02, Chelios, Chi, major (fighting), game misconduct, 17:02, Manson, Chi, 15-minute misconduct, match penalty, 20:00.

Shots on goal-Chicago 7-20-14-41. Toronto 9- 12-9-30.

Goaltenders-Chicago, Belfour, Cloutier (0:27, second period). Toronto, Ing.

Power-play conversions-Chicago 1-5. Toronto 2-6. A-16,382.

Referee-Andy Van Hellemond.

Minnesota	1	0	1	0-2
St. Louis	2	0	0	0-2

First period-1, Minnesota, Craig 3 (Gagner, Propp), 8:18. 2, St. Louis, Cavallini 1, (Marois, Ronning), pp, 16:36; 3, St. Louis, Ronning 1 (Marois, Momesso), pp, 17:07.

Penalties-Taglianetti, Min, 4:22; Maclean, Stl, 9:23; Churla, Min, 9:23; Zettler, Min, 9:52; Musil, Min, minor-major, 14:07; Kolstad, Min, 14:07); Cavallini, Stl, 14:07; Momesso, StL 14:07.

Second period-Scoring-none.

Penalties-Marois, Stl, 7:42; Wilson, Stl, 8:05; Barber, Min, 13:12; McRae, Min 19:49; Lowry, Stl, 19:49.

Third period-4, Minnesota, Gagner 4, (Duchesne) 10:08.

Penalties-Churla, Min, 3:13; Bassen, Stl, 3:13; Modano, Min, double-minor, 3:21; Brind'Amour, Stl, 3:21; Momesso, Stl, 5:33; Marois, Stl, 7:32; Zettler, Min, 13:56; Momesso, Stl, 13:56).

Shots on goal-Minnesota 7 7 10 3-27. St. Louis 15 5 5 0-25.

Power-play conversions-Minnesota 4-0. St. Louis 7-2.

Goaltenders-Minnesota, Jon Casey. St. Louis, Vincent Riendeau. A-17,177

Referee-Don Koharski

Boston	0	1	0	--1
Calgary	5	1	2	--8

First period-1, Calgary, Ranheim 5 (Suter, MacInnis), pp, 7:42. 2, Calgary, MacLellan 2 (M.Hunter), 7:50. 3, Calgary, M.Hunter 1 (unassisted), pp, 9:24. 4 Calgary, Matteau 2 (Reichel, Sweeney), 18:19. 5, Calgary, MacInnis 5 (Roberts Nieuwendyk), 19:30.

Penalties-Galley, Bos, 2:27; Neely, Bos, 5:13; Otto, Cgy, 5:13; Markwart, Bos, 7:15; Douris, Bos, 9:12; Reichel, Cgy, 10:06.

Second period-6, Calgary, Fleury 3 (unassisted), sh, 5:29. 7, Boston, Walz 3 (Neely, Janney), pp, 7:23.

Penalties-Suter, Cgy, 0:25; Calgary bench minor (served by Nieuwendyk), 3:46; MacLellan, Cgy, 7:08; Quintal, Bos, 11:13; Pedersen, Bos, 13:58.

Third period-8, Calgary, MacInnis 6 (Suter, Vernon), pp, 6:33. 9, Calgary, Reichel 1 (Murzyn, MacInnis), 7:42.

Penalties-Nilan, Bos, double minor, 5:23; Sabourin, Cgy, 5:23; Suter, Cgy, 8:23; Murzyn, Cgy 16:02.

Shots on goal-Boston 6 5 11-22. Calgary 13 13 8-34.

Power-play conversions-Boston 6-1. Calgary 7-3.

Goalies-Boston, Moog, Lemelin (second period). Calgary, Vernon.

A-20,132.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

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(OCT. 20) UPI - Congressional negotiators are still working on the nation's fiscal future, trying to merge two versions of a deficit-reducing budget plan. Bargainers are sharply divided over how to spread the burden, with President Bush pushing for a bipartisan Senate bill as opposed to a Democrat-crafted House package.

Closing arguments will be heard Saturday morning in the obscenity trial of the rap group 2 Live Crew in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Two defense witnesses testified Friday that the performance that landed the group in court had serious artistic and political value. If convicted, band members face possible one-year prison sentences.

Federal officials are extending their search for two biologists and their pilot, who disappeared more than a week ago tracking polar bear on the northernmost point of land in the United States. The Coast Guard has arranged to use a new sophisticated Canadian radar plane in the hunt for the three.

Lava from Hawaii's Kilauea volcano is oozing again- threatening what few homes remain in two hard-hit communities on the island's southeast coast. The eruption that began nearly eight years ago is the longest in recorded history and has destroyed 179 homes and other structures.

In Portland, Oregon... civil rights lawyer Morris Dees delivered his closing

arguments Friday in the 10-Million-dollar wrongful death lawsuit against California white supremacist Tom Metzger. Metzger... who's accused of inciting skinheads to kill a black man in 1988... is scheduled to give his own closing arguments Monday.

The King of Tonga arrived in Seattle Friday night on a mission. In the words of the state's tire recycling co-ordinator- ''He wants to buy tires and that's the only reason he's coming.'' But state officials say king or NO king, he'll have to wait in line to buy 30-thousand old tires the state of Washington is selling.

-30- 2057

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OAKLAND, CA (OCT. 20) UPI - While the Cincinnati Reds play like the Big Red Machine of old, Oakland is also performing like a team in the past - the 1988 Athletics, who stumbled in the World Series much like the current edition.

The Reds scored seven runs in the third inning Friday night and held on for an 8-3 triumph over the rattled A's to move within one victory of an improbable Series sweep.

Chris Sabo cracked two home runs and Cincinnati scored seven times in the third inning by striking with the offensive efficiency of the Reds in the era of Johnny Bench, Joe Morgan and Pete Rose.

Now the Reds lead the best-of-seven series 3-0, and no team in 87 years of postseason play has ever blown that advantage. In fact, only three of the 17 Series clubs trailing 3-0 have managed to win another game.

Still, the Reds aren't celebrating yet.

''We don't take anything for granted, we haven't all year,'' Reds Manager Lou Piniella said. ''We won't take them for granted. We'll go out and be aggressive.''

Winners of eight straight Series games since Game 7 in 1975, the Reds - seeking their first title since 1976 - can finish off the Bashed Brothers as early as Saturday night when Jose Rijo opposes Dave Stewart in a rematch of Game 1.

Sabo's second homer was a two-run shot in the third that gave the National League champions a 5-2 lead against a ragged Mike Moore. The third baseman also belted a solo shot in the second and flawlessly handled a Series-record 10 chances without an error.

''I'm just working on being more patient,'' Sabo said of his hitting attitude. ''I'm trying to lay off pitches out of the strike zone, I got a couple of

pitches I could handle. I hit 'em hard.''

The A's, after losing twice at Riverfront Stadium, came home to their grass field, their fans and the designated hitter - but it made no difference. Now they're on the brink of becoming the first to sweep the Series one year and get swept the next.

''(The Reds) have got a lot going and they've been roughing us up,'' Oakland Manager Tony La Russa said. ''I've been on the other side and it doesn't feel good. I'd rather be on their side.''

Oakland put up more of a fight in 1988, when it lost in five games to Los Angeles. Over the last three years, the A's have won three pennants and a big-league best 306 games, but have only one Series crown to show for it.

The Reds had 14 hits off six pitchers and have outscored Oakland 20-7 in the Series.

''Their offense has a lot of confidence,'' La Russa said. ''When that happens you find a way to stop them. We did it for six innings (Friday night) but it was one seven-run inning too late.''

Tom Browning, pitching less than two days after the birth of his third child, helped foster the rebirth of the Big Red Machine by hurling six strong innings. Rob Dibble went 1 2-3 innings and Randy Myers finished.

The Cincinnati bullpen has blanked the A's over 12 2-3 innings to lower its postseason ERA to 0.29.

Billy Hatcher of the Reds had his record-setting 7 for 7 streak come to an abrupt end in the first when he grounded into a 6-4-3 double play. He still went 2 for 5.

With Moore getting punished as much as any pitcher outside of batting practice the Reds collected seven hits - five with two out - and sent 11 batters to the plate in the third to erase a 2-1 deficit.

With one out, Hatcher resumed his rabid hit-making with a single and advanced to third when first baseman Mark McGwire failed to handle Paul O'Neill's grounder for an error.

Eric Davis then singled to tie it 2-2 and took second when center fielder Dave Henderson threw off-line trying to nab O'Neill at third. La Russa visited the mound, but elected to keep Moore in the game, and Hal Morris grounded out to put Cincinnati ahead.

Moore should have been yanked. Moments later, Sabo picked on a feeble 2-0 pitch and launched a drive over the left-center field wall for the two-run

blast that gave him his second career two-homer game.

Todd Benzinger followed with a single and Scott Sanderson relieved, threw a wild pitch and was tagged for a sharp double by Game 2 hero Joe Oliver that made it 6-2.

An RBI single by Mariano Duncan and a triple by Barry Larkin got the Reds two more runs before the carnage concluded with Hatcher grounding out to McGwire while attempting to check his swing.

Cincinnati's third-inning explosion was the largest in the Series since Minnesota scored seven times in the fourth inning of the 1987 opener.

Rickey Henderson's leadoff homer in the bottom of the third brought the A's to within 8-3. Oakland put runners on first and third with two out in the fifth, but Browning got Jose Canseco on a fly to right.

After collecting three singles in the first without scoring, the Reds took a 1-0 lead in the second when Sabo homered off a 3-2 pitch.

But the A's reaped the rewards of the DH to go ahead in their half. Dave Henderson doubled on the inning's first pitch and Harold Baines - a man without a position in the first two games - homered off the second, belting a towering drive that landed deep in the right-field bleachers.

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(OCT. 20) UPI - SATURDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR

(All times EDT)
Baseball
World Series
Game 4 - Cincinnati at Oakland, 8 p.m.

Golf
Lake Buena Vista, Fla. - $1 million PGA Walt Disney Classic
Napa, Calif. - $500,000 Transamerica Senior Championship

Hockey
Detroit at Quebec, 2:05 p.m.
Buffalo at NY Islanders, 7:35 p.m.
NY Rangers at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
New Jersey at Washington, 7:35 p.m.
Boston at Calgary, 8:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Montreal, 8:05 p.m.
Chicago at Toronto, 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.

Tennis
Filderstadt, Germany - $350,000 women's Porsche Grand Prix
Grand Prix de Lyon, France - $500,000 men's tournament
Vienna - $250,000 CA Trophy tournament

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#90293u0163 10/20/1990 ~United Press International
MACOMB, IL (OCT. 20) UPI - An 18-year-old Western Illinois University freshman died Friday from apparent alcohol poisoning, campus authorities said. The death came at the close of National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week.

Nicholas Haven, Oswego, was pronounced dead on the Macomb campus by McDonough County Coroner Larry Jameson.

Preliminary autopsy results indicated Haven had ingested large amounts of various types of alcohol, Jameson said.

''It does appear alcohol played a large part in his death,'' he said.

The Western Illinois University Department of Public Safety is investigating the circumstances surrounding the death and will turn the results over to the McDonough County State's Attorney for possible action, a spokeswoman said Friday night.

WIU President Ralph Wagoner called the death ''a tragedy we shall not lose sight of.''

''The fact that this tragedy took place during National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week is further illustration of the ongoing need to continue our educational effort toward college students and others about the responsible use of alcohol,'' Wagoner said.

WIU officials Friday night refused to confirm or deny reports Haven's death was the result of an initiation into a campus sports club.

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(OCT. 20) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Baseball

Kansas City - Announced resignation of trainer Mickey Cobb.

Milwaukee - Released pitchers Mike Birkbeck, Tom Filer and Juan Nieves; assigned pitcher Don August's contract to Denver of the American Association.

Basketball

Detroit - Agreed to terms with guard Vinnie Johnson on 2-year contract.

Houston - Waived guard Willie Bland.

LA Lakers - Released guard Steve Bucknall and forward Michael Young.

Portland - Extended contract of forward Buck Williams through 1993-94.

San Antonio - Waived guard David Rivers.

College

Arizona State - Announced fullback Jeff Simoneau quit football team.

Arkansas - Signed basketball coach Nolan Richardson to a 7-year contract.

Bentley - Named Valerie DePaolo part- time assitant women's basketball coach.

Grand Canyon - Announced guards David McDaniel and Anthony Steward, forward Andre Edwards and center Gijs Geerders have left basketball program.

Jacksonville St. - Named Nancy White women's golf coach.

New Mexico - Gave football coach Mike Sheppard a 3-year contract extension.

Football

Dallas - Agreed to terms with linebacker Jesse Solomon; placed guard Tony Slaton on injured reserve.

Denver - Activated end David Galloway; signed running back Blaze Ezor off practice squad; waived defensive end Jake McCullough.

Houston - Activated linebacker Lamar Lathon.

Indianapolis - Placed linebacker Quintus McDonald on non-football illness list; actived defensive end Ralph Jarvis.

Minnesota - Waived kicker Jim Gallery.

NFL - Named Rusty Hawley Director of Communications for NFL Properties.

Hockey

Calgary - Called up goalie Steve Guenette from Salt Lake of IHL.

Hartford - Named Willy Lindstrom scout for Sweden.

San Diego (IHL) - Acquired forward Dennis Holland on loan from Detroit; released defenseman Rob Schena.

Winnipeg - Assigned center Kris Draper to Moncton of AHL for conditioning.

Soccer

Detroit (NPSL) - Signed midfielder Chris Keenan to 1-year contract.

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BATTING
Oakland

	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	avg
Baines	5	1	1	0	0	1	2	.200
Blankenship	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Bordick	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Burns	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Canseco	11	1	1	0	0	1	2	.091
Eckerseley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Gallego	10	0	1	0	0	0	1	.100
Hassey	5	0	2	0	0	0	1	.400
DHnderson	9	2	3	1	0	0	0	.333
RHenderson	12	2	5	2	0	1	1	.417
Honeycutt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Jennings	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1.000
Klink	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Lansford	11	0	3	0	0	0	0	.273
McGee	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	.167
McGwire	11	1	3	0	0	0	0	.273
Moore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Nelson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Randolph	12	0	4	0	0	0	0	.333
Sanderson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Steinbach	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	.125
Stewart	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Welch	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Younng	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Totals	106	7	26	3	0	3	7	.245

Cincinnati

	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	.avg
Armstrong	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000

Bates	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1.000
Benzinger	7	1	2	0	0	0	0	.286
Braggs	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	.000
Browning	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Charlton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Davis	14	3	4	0	0	1	5	.286
Dibble	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Duncan	10	1	2	0	0	0	1	.200
Hatcher	12	6	9	4	1	0	2	.750
Jackson	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Larkin	14	2	5	1	1	0	1	.357
Morris	11	0	1	0	0	0	1	.091
Myers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
O'Neill	9	2	1	0	0	0	1	.111
Oester	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1.000
Oliver	14	2	5	2	0	0	2	.357
Rijo	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	.333
Sabo	12	2	6	0	0	2	5	.500
Scudder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Winningham	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Totals	111	20	38	7	2	3	20	.342

PITCHING

Oakland

	g	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	era
Burns	2	1.3	5	3	3	2	0	16.20
Eckersley	2	1.1	3	1	1	0	1	6.75
Honeycutt	1	1.2	2	0	0	1	0	0.00
Klink	1	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	X.XX
Moore	1	2.2	8	6	2	0	1	6.75
Nelson	2	5.0	3	0	0	2	0	0.00
Sanderson	2	1.2	4	2	2	1	0	10.80
Stewart	1	4.0	3	4	4	4	3	9.00
Welch	1	7.1	9	4	4	2	2	4.91
Young	1	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0.00
Totals	3	26.1	38	20	14	13	7	4.78

Won-lost-Eckersely 0-1; Stewart 0-1; Moore 0-1.
Save-none.

Cincinnati

	g	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	era
Armstrong	1	3.0	1	0	0	0	0	3.00
Browning	1	6.0	6	3	3	2	2	4.50
Charlton	1	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	.00
Dibble	3	4.2	3	0	0	1	4	.00
Jackson	1	2.2	6	4	3	2	0	10.13

Myers	2	2.1	2	0	0	0	3	.00
Rijo	1	7.0	7	0	0	2	5	.00
Scudder	1	.1	0	0	0	2	2	.00
Totals	3	28.0	26	7	6	9	19	1.33

Won-lost-Dibble 1-0; Rijo 1-0; Browning 1-0.
Saves-none.

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#90293u0179 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 20) UPI - President Bush signed a stop-gap spending bill to keep the government running through Oct. 24 after deciding Congress had made ''satisfactory progress'' toward agreement on a new deficit- reduction accord.

The move came as House and Senate negotiators, sharply divided over how to spread the burden of deficit reduction, began work to meld a Democrat-crafted House budget package with a bipartisan Senate bill preferred by Bush. They will work on a new spending plan Saturday.

Tax provisions in the two bills appeared to pose the toughest differences to overcome. The House plan relies heavily on higher taxes for wealthy Americans, while the Senate bill contains no income tax rate increases but doubles the current 9-cents-a-gallon gasoline tax to 18.5 cents a gallon.

Bush signed the emergency spending measure at 6 p.m. EDT Friday, just six hours before the government was due to go broke for the second time in three weeks.

The temporary funding bill, which cleared the House Thursday and the Senate Friday, will extend the government's spending authority through next Wednesday.

Bush visited Capitol Hill at mid-afternoon Friday to encourage congressional leaders and thank all Republican senators who supported the bipartisan deficit-cutting package the Senate passed on a 54-46 vote hours earlier.

''I want to thank the leaders for doing a masterly job,'' Bush told the lawmakers. ''I'm here just to say thank you and we need to finish the job.''

The House and Senate negotiators laboring over tax hikes and spending cuts ''have already made satisfactory progress in their work,'' White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said in announcing Bush had signed the emergency money bill.

The Senate approved its deficit-reduction plan early Friday after two days of debate. Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine and Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas joined forces to stop attempts to alterthe bill.

The Senate package would increase the federal gasoline tax 9 1/2 cents a gallon by 1992, raise cigarette and alcohol taxes, impose new taxes on luxury items and boost costs to Medicare beneficiaries.

It contains no changes in federal income tax rates, but does limit tax deductions that can be claimed by those earning more than $100,000 a year.

On Tuesday, the House engaged in partisan warfare before passing a Democratic-backed bill that raises income tax rates on the wealthiest Americans from 28 percent to 33 percent and imposes a 10 percent surtax on those with taxable incomes of more than $1 million a year.

It also boosts the alternative minimum tax, applied to wealthy taxpayers with large numbers of deductions and exemptions, from 21 percent to 25 percent.

The House bill, while including alcohol, cigarette and luxury taxes similar to those the Senate adopted, eliminated any increase in gasoline taxes. Instead, the House voted to delay for one year inflation adjustments to income tax brackets and personal exemptions.

House and Senate negotiators opened talks Friday seeking to reconcile the widely divergent bills and produce a compromise that must then clear votes in each chamber before going to Bush for his signature.

Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, urged fellow conferees to ''come up with a product that is bold enough to substantially reduce the budget deficit and also fair enough to be accepted by our colleagues and the American people.''

Speaking to a group of Italian-Americans Friday, Bush said the Senate bill ''offers, I think, some real hope for getting this budget deficit matter under control.''

Though declining to give details on what he would like to see emerge from the conference, he praised senators for warding off efforts to raise income tax rates, saying, ''I think I'm on the right track on that and I'm going to try to hold the line.''

Mitchell, who said he supported many of the amendments that he vigorously fought to defeat on the Senate floor, told his colleagues that the Senate budget bill was crafted specifically to avoid a veto and that even ''attractive'' amendments would subvert any try at deficit reduction.

In opposing the House approach, Bush criticized the raised income tax rates on the highest income taxpayers, which would generate $50 billion over five years and the increased income taxes on middle-class Americans caused by freezing for a year the inflation adjustment of tax brackets and personal exemptions.

The Senate's increase in gasoline taxes, a measure expected to raise $42.6 billion in five years, is seen by the Democrats as placing a disproportionate burden on lower- and middle-income individuals.

The Senate bill would cut $48.9 billion from Medicare over five years, with most savings coming from lower payments to health care providers but with beneficiaires paying higher premiums and deductibles.

The House bill would save $30.5 billion over five years through lower reimbursements to doctors and hospitals. It includes identical premium increases, but smaller increases in deductibles than the Senate approved.

There are some similarities between the House and Senate versions, both of which seek to reduce the deficit by $40 billion in the fiscal year that began Oct. 1 and by $500 billion over five years.

Both would raise taxes on cigarettes by 4 cents a pack in 1991 and by another 4 cents a pack in 1993 and raise taxes on beer by 16 cents a six-pack. Taxes on wine would rise about 22 cents a bottle and hard liquor taxes also would go up.

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(OCT. 20) UPI - NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS

Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
New Jersey	5	2	1	11	30	27
Philadelphia	5	2	0	10	30	21
NY Rangers	5	3	0	10	32	22
Pittsburgh	3	3	1	7	29	29
Washington	3	4	0	6	22	27
NY Islanders	2	4	0	4	18	21

Adams Division

Hartford	4	3	2	10	28	28
Boston	4	3	1	9	26	27
Montreal	4	3	1	9	25	28
Quebec	2	3	3	7	27	32
Buffalo	0	4	3	3	24	29

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	5	3	0	10	25	17

Detroit	4	2	2	10	30	30
St. Louis	4	3	0	8	19	23
Minnesota	1	5	1	3	17	28
Toronto	0	6	1	1	13	31
Smythe Division						
Los Angeles	6	1	1	13	39	20
Vancouver	4	3	0	8	27	24
Calgary	4	3	0	8	25	22
Edmonton	2	2	2	6	25	21
Winnipeg	2	6	1	5	30	33

-30- 1282

#90293u0220 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (OCT. 20) UPI - Hurricane Nana, which represented a potential danger to the island of Bermuda with 75 mph winds, has weakened to a tropical storm, the National Weather Service reported early Saturday.

Nana was located near latitude 29.6 north and longitude 66.2 west, and the system was traveling northeast at near 5 mph.

Nana was about 200 miles south-southwest of Bermuda.

Its winds were clocked at 75 mph Friday.

-30- 593

#90293u0258 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

The Buffalo Sabres are off to a record-setting start.

Unfortunately for Coach Ric Dudley and his players, they are setting records for futility, not victories or goals.

Mike Foligno scored with 6:50 remaining Friday night to give Buffalo a 4-4 tie with the Pittsburgh Penguins. By going winless for the seventh straight game, the 0-4-3 Sabres are off to the worst start in their 21- year history.

Foligno, teamed with Dale Hawerchuk on a new line, appeared to give the Sabres the lead 40 seconds after his game-tying effort when he put the puck past Pittsburgh's Wendell Young. But referee Kerry Fraser ruled offsides before the shot.

Having the goal nullified sums up the Buffalo season so far.

''We let the point men walk right by them,'' Dudley said. ''They don't pick up their own men in our own end. Either they're incapable of learning or we're not teaching them right. We're going over it (plays) an hour a day.

''We make a few fundamental mistakes and the puck seems to end up in our net. It's frustrating.''

Pittsburgh took a 4-3 lead at the 18:37 mark of the second period when defenseman Zarley Zalapski's shot went in over the shoulder of falling goaltender Daren Puppa. It was the third goal of the period for the Penguins, who also got goals from Joe Mullen, John Cullen and Jaromir Jagr.

Rick Vaive scored twice for the Sabres and John Tucker had the other Buffalo goal.

Although he was frustrated by the tie, Dudley's move to put Foligno and Hawerchuk on the same line paid off.

Foligno said the change ''got me going. Hawerchuk made some picture- perfect passes. Sometimes you get a feeling you're going to score and I said (to Hawerchuk) 'We're going to score right now.' He said 'Damn right.'''

Elsewhere in the NHL, Winnipeg defeated Vancouver 7-5; New Jersey edged the New York Rangers 3-2; Washington nipped the New York Islanders 4-3; Edmonton routed Boston 8-1 and Los Angeles defeated Hartford 5-2.

Jets 7, Canucks 5

At Winnipeg, Manitoba, Scott Arniel broke a 4-4 tie at 8:48 of the third as the Jets snapped a seven-game winless streak to notch their second victory of the season. Arniel's goal came 29 seconds after Vancouver's Steve Bozek had tied the score.

Devils 3, Rangers 2

At New Jersey, Patrick Sundstrom, Paul Ysebaert and Brendan Shanahan each scored goals to keep the Devils undefeated at home and stop a five- game Rangers' winning streak. Goaltender Chris Terreri stopped 25 shots as the Devils improved to 5-0-1 at home.

Capitals 4, Islanders 3

At Landover, Md., John Druce scored twice and Mike Ridley tipped in the tie-breaking goal midway through the third period as Washington snapped a three-game losing streak. All of Washington's scores came on power plays, with Kevin Hatcher scoring the other Capitals' goal. Ridley's game-winner came at 10:31 when he redirected Hatcher's shot. David Volek scored twice for the Islanders.

Oilers 8, Bruins 1

At Edmonton, Alberta, the Oilers snapped out of an early-season scoring slump behind two goals each from Petr Klima and Mark Lamb to rout Boston in a fight-filled game. Craig Simpson, Ken Linseman, Steve Smith and Charley Huddy also scored for the Oilers, who had just one victory and four points in the first five games of the year. More than 160 penalty minutes were dished out, including 10 majors.

Kings 5, Whalers 2

At Los Angeles, Tomas Sandstrom scored two goals and Steve Duchesne scored one and assisted on another. The victory kept the Kings, 6-1-1, in first place in the Smythe Division. Hartford, 4-3-2, remained atop the Adams Division.

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#90293u0260 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 20) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

Congress plans a rare weekend session as it begins the annual drive toward adjournment. Leading lawmakers have virtually written off major anti-crime legislation and campaign-finance reform as they try to end the session. 13 appropriations bills are still pending... plus the deficit-reduction package. Senate and House negotiators are trying to work out a compromise to trim the federal deficit.

The federal government has the money to continue running through Wednesday. President Bush signed a second stop-gap spending bill last night... just six hours before the government was due to go broke for the second time in three weeks.

The Senate has approved 85-Million dollars in U-S military aid to El Salvador. But the Senate wants to deliver the money only if El Salvador meets five conditions- including investigation and prosecution of the killers of six priests, and make more of an effort to negotiate a settlement with the rebels.

The Senate rejected an amendment to the foreign aid bill that criticized Israel for new settlements in East Jerusalem and required a study on future U-S loan guarantees for Israel. The amendment was rejected after complaints there is NOT enough time to debate such a delicate foreign policy topic.

The second of the radar-eluding B-2 Stealth bombers made its inaugural flight yesterday. The Stealth flew for two and one-half hours before landing at California's Edwards Air Force Base. The flight came just days after congressional negotiators agreed to continue production of the B-2.

National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week was NOT entirely successful. An 18-year-old Western Illinois University freshman died yesterday from apparent

alcohol poisoning. Nicholas Haven's death came at the close of National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week.

-30- 2054

#90293u0261 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 20) UPI - Voters are casting ballots today in Malaysia, where the ruling coalition faces an UNprecedented challenge. Prime Minister Mohamad has campaigned by telling Malaysians they have a strong economy because of his government. He seeks a third five-year term.

Guatemala's constitutional court has banned a former military ruler from running for government. Judicial sources say former ruler Efrain Rios Montt canNOT appeal the decision. Guatemala's constitution bans from office anyone who has led a military coup or revolution.

Hurricane Nana is NO more. Nana weakened to a tropical storm this morning. The National Weather Service said early this morning Nana still posed a threat to the island. At last report, Nana was about 200 miles south-southwest of Bermuda, moving north-northeast around five miles an hour.

Closing arguments are scheduled today in the obscenity trial of the rap group 2 Live Crew. The defense called two witnesses yesterday, and the state rested after recalling a witness that had testified Thursday. 2 Live Crew is on trial in Fort Lauderdale.

The publishers of a nationally known guide to used car and truck prices... the Kelley Blue Book... have sued a company that uses its name in a 900-line telephone number. The phone service, like the Kelley Blue Book, gives suggested prices for used cars and trucks. The suit was filed in Los Angeles.

-30- 1554

#90293u0292 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 20) UPI - Canada became the latest country to succumb to Iraqi pressure Saturday and pulled its diplomats out of Kuwait as a new poll indicated most Europeans favor military action to end the Persian Gulf crisis.

The poll of 500 people in Britain, France, Spain, Germany and Italy indicated that Britons viewed military action the most favorably and Italians least favorably.

The British Broadcasting Corp., which reported the results, said 87 percent of Britons favored military action while 59 percent of Italians did so. The results in the other three European countries ranged in between.

British Foreign Secretary Douglast Hurd, on a tour of the Middle East, warned Friday that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would face military action if he

did not withdraw voluntarily from Kuwait, which Iraqi troops occupied Aug. 2.

Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency quoted Canadian External Affairs Minister Joe Clarke as saying Canada would not officially close its embassy in Kuwait, but would withdraw all of its personnel.

Saddam ordered all embassies in Kuwait to close soon after the invasion but some, including that of the United States, remain open. Iraqi soldiers have surrounded the embassies and cut off their water and electricity.

Clark said the Canadian diplomats were leaving because they had run out of food.

MENA quoted informed sources Saturday as saying Kuwaiti resistance fighters freed 70 prisoners in Safwan on the Iraqi-Kuwaiti border during a fight last week.

The sources, who escaped to Amman, told the news agency that eight Kuwaiti fighters and 30 Iraqi soldiers were killed.

The Kuwaiti resistance has issued numerous reports about raids and attacks on Iraqi occupational forces that cannot be confirmed, but they have sometimes backed their claims with photographs of smoldering Iraqi vehicles and dead soldiers.

The news agency said exiled Kuwaiti emir Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al- Sabah would travel to Paris to meet with French President Francois Mitterrand, whose gulf peace proposal has been widely praised. The plan calls for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait followed by free elections, which the ruling al-Sabah family has opposed.

Sources told the news agency Mitterrand would try to assure al-Sabah the plan did not call for their ouster from power.

One member of the family, poet Saad al-Sabah, told reporters in Cairo that Iraqi authorities told some family members they would be richly rewarded if they remained in Kuwait and accepted the ouster of Sheikh Jaber.

Saad al-Sabah said the family members refused the offer.

Also Saturday, Australian newspapers reported that an order prohibiting sailors from wearing uniforms in public triggered fears that a terrorist group was planning to strike navy personnel.

The newspapers said the order was issued Wednesday after the government received classified reports indicating a security threat to sailors.

Australia has sent three Navy ships to serve in the U.S.-led multinational

military force deployed in the gulf to counter further Iraqi aggression.

Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath arrived in Baghdad Saturday on a self-styled mission to pursuade Iraq to free elderly and sick British hostages.

Some British lawmakers have criticized Heath, saying Saddam Hussein will use him for propoganda purposes. Iraqi authorities were quoted by MENA as saying Heath was a guest of Iraq, and not the British Embassy in Baghdad.

Iraq is holding hundreds of Western men hostage at key military and economic sites as insurance the Western forces in the Gulf will not attack. Western hostages from several countries have been released in recent days as so-called gestures of goodwill.

The Gulf News Agency, meanwhile, quoted the Saudi newspaper Al Nadwa as saying 100 American soldiers stationed in the kingdom had converted to Islam. It said they were of different races and ages.

Mohammed el-Akhass, a Saudi preacher who gave soldiers lectures on Islamic culture to help acclimate them to Saudi Arabia, was quoted as saying the soldiers had learned about Islam and decided to convert.

The report could not be immediately confirmed.

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#90293u0295 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (OCT. 20) UPI - China will join a global ban on ivory trading to protect the endangered African elephant, an official report said Saturday.

The China Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora Import and Export Administration issued a notice this week ordering a halt to ivory exports effective January 1991, the English-language China Daily reported.

China's decision to join a world ban on trade in elephant tusks brings Beijing into line with the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species, which in 1989 declared the African elephant an endangered species and voted to ban ivory trading.

But the CITES agreement permitted China to allow trading in tusks acquired before the ban was initiated providing import and export firms apply for a government permit, the report said.

China has imported an average of 50 tons of ivory a year since 1980. The tusks are carved into jewelry and decorative figurines and then exported.

In 1988, China's imported 57 tons of elephant tusks and exported $7.2 million worth of carved ivory products, the China Daily said.

Beijing passed its first wildlife protection law in late 1988. Among China's indigenous endangered species are golden-haired monkeys, Siberian tigers and bears, whose paws are considered a gourmet delicacy.

-30- 1472

#90293u0309 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

CHAMPAIGN, IL (OCT. 20) UPI - The NCAA has found the University of Illinois basketball program innocent of major recruiting violations that could have resulted in the death penalty, a published report said Saturday.

The Chicago Sun-Times, quoting sources, said the school has been cleared of offering illegal inducements, including money and cars, to lure Chicago high school basketball stars Deon Thomas and LaPhonso Ellis to sign with the Illini.

The newspaper said the school has been found guilty of less serious charges, including improper use of complimentary tickets and giving preferential treatment to former Illini players Kendall Gill and Stephen Bardo when they purchased used cars from a Decatur auto dealer.

University officials will be told of the results Oct. 29, the report said, because the NCAA Infractions Committee is still preparing a final report draft.

The newspaper said the validated charges against Illinois are not serious enough to warrant the so-called death penalty, or suspension, for the school's baseketball program. Other less serious sanctions are possible.

The possible punishments for the school could include a one-year probation period, which would prohibit the team from postseason play and television appearances.

The school may be forced to return $250,000 it received for competiting in the first-round of the NCAA tournament last spring and have the number of basketball scholarships it can grant next season reduced.

The final draft of the report is expected to dismiss charges against assistant coach Jimmy Collins, accused of offering money and cars to Thomas and Ellis. Thomas signed with the Illini and Ellis plays for Notre Dame.

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(OCT. 20) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE USA - SATURDAY

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque mc	78	47	.06
Anchorage sn	40	31	.13

Asheville sy	64	33	....
Atlanta sy	71	46	....
Baltimore sy	57	36	....
Billings pc	56	34	.22
Birmingham sy	71	39	....
Bismarck sy	55	36	....
Boston sy	61	42	....
Brownsville sy	85	65	....
Buffalo sy	50	31	....
Burlington Vt. sy	50	31	.02
Charleston S.C. sy	69	56	....
Charlotte sy	64	44	....
Chicago w	52	42	....
Cincinnati sy	55	37	....
Cleveland sy	49	33	....
Columbus Ohio sy	53	35	....
Dallas pc	75	56	....
Denver sn	77	32	.28
Des Moines sh	62	48	.02
Detroit sy	51	36	....
Duluth cy	39	35	....
El Paso f	84	64	....
Evansville sy	60	35	....
Fargo mc	49	32	.01
Hartford sy	55	38	.01
Honolulu sy	91	75	....
Houston sy	73	51	....
Indianapolis sy	53	36	....
Jackson Miss. sy	73	38	....
Jacksonville sy	79	58	....
Kansas City sh	69	52	....
Las Vegas sy	75	50	.17
Little Rock pc	64	48	....
Los Angeles f	74	60	....
Louisville sy	58	39	....
Memphis f	69	44	....
Miami Beach pc	86	76	....
Milwaukee pc	50	44	....
Minneapolis cy	54	41	....
Nashville f	64	38	....
New Orleans sy	71	45	....
New York sy	58	42	....
Oklahoma City pc	72	54	....
Omaha r	69	50	.03
Orlando pc	86	70	....
Philadelphia sy	59	42	....
Phoenix f	88	64	....
Pittsburgh sy	48	30	....

Portland Me. pc	64	33	....
Portland Ore. pc	60	44	....
Providence sy	58	38	....
Richmond sy	62	39	....
St. Louis pc	61	45	....
Salt Lake City pc	50	34	.23
San Antonio sy	78	57	....
San Diego pc	73	62	....
San Francisco sy	68	52	....
San Juan ts	89	75	.01
Seattle mc	55	40	....
Spokane f	48	30	....
Tampa pc	88	71	....
Washington sy	58	40	....
Wichita w	74	55	....

c-clear	cl-clearing	cy-cloudy	f-fair
fy-foggy	hz-haze	m-missing	pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy	r-rain	sh-showers	sm-smoke
sn-snow	sy-sunny	ts-thunderstorms	w-windy

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(OCT. 20) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE WORLD - SATURDAY

Temperature and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Oct. 20:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen r	1pm	51	10
Amsterdam cy	1pm	62	16
Ankara c	3pm	72	22
Athens c	2pm	73	23
Auckland cy	12m	58	15
Beijing cy	8pm	59	15
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	54	12
Bonn pc	1pm	62	17
Brussels pc	1pm	62	17
Cairo c	2pm	82	28
Casablanca cy	12n	72	22
Copenhagen cy	1pm	43	06
Dakar pc	12n	87	31
Dublin cy	1pm	57	14
Geneva cy	1pm	59	15
Helsinki pc	2pm	35	02
Hong Kong c	8pm	77	25

Jerusalem pc	2pm	81	27
Karachi c	5pm	88	31
Lisbon cy	1pm	61	16
London cy	1pm	61	16
Madrid cy	1pm	55	13
Malta c	1pm	78	25
Manila cy	8pm	81	27
Moscow cy	3pm	50	10
Nairobi pc	3pm	77	25
Nassau pc	7am	78	26
New Delhi	6pm	-	-
Nice pc	1pm	69	21
Oslo c	1pm	48	09
Paris c	1pm	64	18
Pretoria pc	2pm	70	21
Riyadh	3pm	91	33
Rome pc	1pm	71	22
Seoul c	9pm	59	15
Sofia c	2pm	71	22
Stockholm pc	1pm	43	06
Sydney c	10pm	56	13
Taipei c	8pm	74	24
Tokyo c	9pm	67	20
Tunis pc	1pm	75	24
Vienna cy	1pm	59	15
Warsaw pc	1pm	51	11

Latin America

Buenos Aires fg	9am	63	17
Caracas pc	8am	72	22
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	60	16
Mexico City cy	6am	54	12
Rio de Janeiro pc	9am	78	26
Santiago pc	8am	58	14

Canada

Calgary c		42	05
Edmonton cy		40	05
Montreal c		48	08
Ottawa c		46	07
Regina c		53	11
Toronto pc		48	09
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WASHINGTON (OCT. 20) UPI - The threat of a terrorist attack from supporters of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has increased as highly disciplined teams have moved into place preparing for attacks, a senior administration official said.

The official, speaking to United Press International on the basis of no further identification, also emphasized that President Bush and Secretary of State James Baker are deadly serious in warning that Saddam Hussein will be held responsible for any attack.

In testimony on Capitol Hill this past week, Baker said that the use of military force by the United States against Iraq is likely if Americans are harmed or exposed to extreme danger.

In an interview, the senior administration official expanded on that to say that the U.S. concern includes the safety of friendly Arab leaders who have taken the risk of opposing Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

The speaker of the Egyptian parliament, Rifat al-Majoub, was killed Oct. 12 by a team of assassins in Cairo. There has been no proven direct link to Iraq in that attack, although there has been suspicion. The administration official said that the killing was obviously the work of a well-trained, well-equipped and disciplined group of professionals, but that there is no absolute proof that they were operating in support of Saddam.

No group has publicly claimed responsibility for the attack.

Egypt has been the leader in the Arab world in opposing Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The State Department issued a general warning soon after the invasion of a heightened danger from terrorism in the Middle East, warning Americans not to travel to the area except when necessary.

Since then, the administration official said, the danger has increased because groups sponsored by Saddam, mainly Palestinian radicals, have been brought to Baghdad.

These include George Habash, leader of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine; representatives of the Abu Nidal Organization, which has been linked to airport killings; and Abu-Ibrahim, of the 15 May Group, a pioneer in the building of suitcase bombs.

The senior official said the threat of a terrorist attack ''has increased as the situation drags on.'' He said more and more threats have been made and there are signs that that trained teams have been moved into position for eventual attacks.

The official said the U.S. government - in assessing the threat - has to plan for dealing both with disciplined, planned operations and with fundamentalist Moslem groups who are less disciplined, but might attack Western targets if Iraqis were attacked.

''They might not be pros, but they are capable of such things as car- bomb attacks,'' the official said.

The difficulty, another official said, would be to prove an attack is linked to Saddam Hussein and then to justify to any military move against him to Congress.

Morris Busbie, director of the State Department's Office of Counterterrorism, said in a separate interview that a new program offering rewards for tips on terrorist attacks has been successful and will create a new problem for terrorists.

''We want these people to be looking over their shoulder,'' he said.

He believed that the rewards, from a fund that could total $4 million, increase the feeling of paranoia among terrorist groups, increase the number of tips, and increase awareness among innocent people that their own safety could depend on reporting suspicious activities.

So far, more than $500,000 has been paid out by the U.S. government in past cases. Because the program assures tipsters confidentialty, officials have not said even what cases were involved.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 20) UPI - Sen. Pete Wilson, R-Calif., adjourned his personal role in the 101st Congress in early August to run full-time for the governorship of California, only to be hounded back to Washington when his absence became a major campaign issue.

Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., ranking Republican on the Senate Appropriations Committee, cast a vote Oct. 9 on the budget agreement and was not seen again - except in the state of Oregon - until last Thursday.

Rep. Patricia Saiki, R-Hawaii, running for the Senate in an extremely close race, has been home twice since the summer recess, once to vote in the Republican primary and once when Barbara Bush was visiting the state.

Sen. Daniel Akaka, D-Hawaii, named to the Senate only a few months ago and battling for a full term against Saiki, has been in the Aloha state only once - to vote in the Democratic primary.

The inability of Congress to adjourn for the year, as election day Nov. 6 comes ever closer, is playing havoc with the plans of incumbents straining to get home for their re-election campaigns.

All of them are affected, but those from the most Western states - such as Wilson, Hatfield, Saiki and Akaka - suffer the most because, unlike their Eastern colleagues, they cannot rush home for a quick campaign appearance.

In most cases, their opponents are free to roam their states and districts unchallenged, forcing incumbents to devise new tactics and campaign from the nation's capital.

Some debates have been scrapped and other have been televised from Washington and beamed home. Television ads are taking the place of personal appearances. Surrogates are standing in for candidates.

''I'll tell you what it does: It gives you a nervous rash,'' Saiki said. ''You know you should be home campaigning, but there is this pull- and-tug to stay and fulfill your responsibilities. I've done the best I can.''

Although Saiki expresses great confidence in her campaign staff and points out the help she gets from her family, the Hawaii congresswoman acknowledges, ''I am very frustrated.''

''I look forward to appearing on panels and in forums and I look forward to debates,'' she says. ''My style is one-on-one. I go door-to- door. I go to coffees. I try to get to know people - all the good things you do that are fun - and I miss it.''

Most members of Congress, on the basis of a random check of roll call votes, have decided that staying in Washington is better politics than going home - a reality that became apparent to Wilson only in recent weeks.

Hollis Friedman, a spokeswoman for the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, said, ''At this point, the voters know there are unresolved problems'' and they want their congressman in Washington dealing with the budget impasse.

''In many cases, they are making news here in Washington,'' she said, adding it would be ''hard to make a case for being absent on the budget.''

Wilson apparently felt at first that staying in California gave him a better shot at beating former San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein, the Democratic candidate, in a tight battle for the governorship.

Wilson, whose Senate seat is not up this year, cast a vote Aug. 4 on the military authorization bill, left for the five-week summer recess and did not return for a vote until last Tuesday.

In the process, he missed key votes on a series of appropriations bills, the nomination of David Souter to the Supreme Court, a resolution backing action taken in the Persian Gulf, voter registration, family planning, fuel standards for cars, seafood inspection, protection for older workers and the budget resolution.

Wilson's return to Washington was not voluntary. Feinstein made an issue of his absenteeism, saying at one point, ''The people elected him. He's taking a paycheck. I've been in Washington more than he has.''

After trying to fend off the issue by saying he has represented California'sinterests by making calls to the White House and Republicans, he gave up and rushed East to vote on the military appropriations bill. He got back too late, but has stayed.

Hatfield stuck it out until Oct 9, casting his last vote on the congressional budget agreement. Then he went back to Oregon to deal with the unexpectedly strong challenge of Democrat Harry Lonsdale, a wealthy businessman, who has turned Hatfield from an unbeatable icon to a vulnerable incumbent.

By the time he returned to Washington, Hatfield had missed several appropriations bills - in committee and in the chamber - in which he would have played a key role as the top Republican on the appropriations panel, though his proxy was used on some votes, such as the B-2 bomber. He also was forced to skip two votes on the key bill implementing the five-year, $500 billion cut in the federal deficit.

To a remarkable degree, senators up for re-election - including some with very close races like Sens. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., Jesse Helms, R- N.C., and Tom Harkin, D-Iowa - have stayed on the job. They have missed a few votes, but so have senators not up for re-election.

In the House, the same has held true, although, on some votes on second-line amendments, the absentees have totaled more than 80 of the 434 members. All but 28 members are running for re-election, although many have no or token opposition.

Thirteen House members are running for another office, such as governor, senator or lieutenant governor. Those running against incumbents can afford to stay in Washington more readily because their opponents also have to stay in the nation's capital.

Recent roll call votes show that Reps. Bruce Morrison, D-Conn., and John Rowland, R-Conn., both running for governor in the Nutmeg state against former Sen. Lowell Weicker, an independent, have tended to skip votes. So has Rep. Bill Shuette, R-Mich., trying to unseat Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich.

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DOVER, NH (OCT. 20) UPI - Three small children died early Saturday when fire swept through their home, leaving another youngster severely burned and injuring four adults who jumped from the second floor to escape the flames, officials said.

All the victims were members of the same family, said state Fire Marshal William Toland.

''To my recollection, I don't know of anywhere we've had that many fatalities '' said Capt. Larry B. Masse, a 16-year veteran of the Dover Fire Department.

Firefighters were called at about 1:20 a.m. to the wooden, 2 1/2-story house at 71 Henry Law Ave., in a working-class section of the eastern New Hampshire

city. When firefighters arrived on the scene, half the first floor - including the stairwell - was engulfed in flames, Masse said.

''When I got off the truck, the mother was screaming that her kids were upstairs,'' Masse said.

Four children were trapped in their bedrooms on the second floor, he said.Firefighters rescued one child from the back of the building and then searched frantically for the other three children, all under 10 years old, Masse said.

''By the time we found the other three victims, it was too late,'' he said.

The rescued child suffered burns, some third-degree, over about 80 percent of her body, Masse said. She was taken to Shriner's Hospital in Boston.

Four adults were hurt when they jumped to the ground from the second floor to escape the flames. They were taken to Wentworth-Douglass Hospital in Dover, where their conditions were not immediately known.

A total of 10 people lived in the house, Masse said. The victims' names were being withheld until authorities were certain all family members had been notified.

Two firefighters, Terry McDonnell and Lt. Perry Plummer, were slightly injured. They were treated at the hospital and released. McDonnell suffered first- and second-degree burns to his face and Plummer cut his hand, officials said.

About 25 firefighters from six communities responded to the fire and managed to keep the flames confined to the house. The blaze was under control in about two hours, Masse said.

Masse said investigators were not sure what ignited the fire but did not believe it was deliberately set.

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HACKENSACK, N.J. - After a summer of random violence across the Hudson River, residents of northern New Jersey are less inclined to visit New York City because they fear becoming another crime statistic, a newspaper poll revealed Saturday.

A survey last week by The Record in Bergen and Passaic counties found that nearly half the 887 adults interviewed said they are visiting the Big Apple less often, except to go to work. Fear of crime was strongly linked with the decision to stay home, although many North Jerseyans also said they were fed

up with New York traffic and high prices.

The poll found that most North Jerseyans still enjoy an occasional outing in the city but those who go say they are more concerned about crime than they are at home. And they are more reluctant to use the subway, ride buses or stroll through Central Park because they are afraid of being mugged.

The responses followed a crime wave in New York that saw several children slain by stray gunfire in separate incidents and the murder of Brian Watkins, a Utah tennis buff who died on a Manhattan subway platform trying to defend his mother from muggers.

Older people were slightly more concerned about crime in New York and women were more concerned than men, but the fear of falling prey to violent crime worried North Jerseyans of practically all ages and backgrounds.

Subways topped the list of most dangerous places in New York, followed by Central Park, where a female jogger was raped in August 1989 by a gang of teenage boys in a ''night of wilding,'' and the Port Authority Bus Terminal, the hub for most of the region's bus links with New York.

Many residents said they would even worry about crime while visiting some of the city's well-known attractions: Lincoln Center, Macy's Herald Square store, a Broadway theater or Shea Stadium.

Most North Jerseyans, however, saw the Big Apple as a special place. Seventy-eight percent said there are things to do in New York that cannot be found in North Jersey and 69 percent said New York is still a great place to visit despite its problems.

About one in seven North Jerseyans said they had been victims of crime in New York through car theft or robbery in the past three years.

The poll found that people who visited the city often were less fearful than those who did so infrequently. The only people markedly less concerned were those from areas with crime problems of their own.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 20) UPI - Two of D'We Williams' five adopted children have severe physical handicaps, but the Oklahoma City black single mother thinks the children thrive in her home because of its middle-class black culture and attitude.

Medenna and Micheal Walton contend their adopted son, DeAllen, who is biracial and has cerebral palsy, is doing better with them than if he was placed in a white home, because they are an interracial couple.

For years, black social workers and child advocates have encouraged adoption officials to consider placing more children with special needs with minority families. But often their pleas have fallen on deaf ears because of a widespread assumption that high-income, highly educated families - usually white - could provide a better home.

Special-needs adoptee children include those who are older, members of minorities or biracial, physically or mentally handicapped, or members of sibling groups.

Now comes a study that appears to validate what the social workers and others have been saying.

The study, published in the November issue of Social Work, the journal of the National Association of Social Workers, found that of 800 families who have adopted special-needs children, minority and low- income families reported more positive situations than highly educated, upper-income families. The study looked at 330 families in Illinois, 285 in Oklahoma and 184 in Kansas.

Overall, 55 percent of parents in minority families, 57 percent of parents in racially mixed families and 43 percent of parents in white families reported very positive situations.

Upper-income and highly educated parents more often reported negative impacts of the adoptions on their family. These types of families reported more positive parent-child relationships with non-handicapped children.

''In sum, minority and low-income families make good families for special-needs children. Increased recruitment and utilization are recommended '' the study said.

''Black social workers for years have been saying that part of the problem is that minority families have been forgotten in terms of recruitment of adoptive parents. So they would not be surprised by this, '' said Ellen Wells, an attorney with the American Public Welfare Association.

''I think it's something that minorities in the adoption field have probably suspected all along,'' said Joyce Johnson, spokeswoman for the Child Welfare League.

One of the study's authors, James Rosenthal, assistant professor of social work at the University of Oklahoma, suggested minority families might do better since many of them have experience raising kids outside of the nuclear family. He cites the number of black children raised by grandparents.

''So if a child is adopted into a minority family, the child may be growing up in a community with other children from outside the nuclear family. So there's

less stigma attached,'' Rosenthal said.

Along those lines, Rosenthal found a parallel between the situation of an adopted child and a minority child.

''Both may be at risk for discrimination in the community. Adoption is viewed by many as a non-desirable family forum. By the same token, minority group members may encounter discrimination or prejudice,'' he said.

D'We Williams raises by herself a foster son and five adopted children, two of whom are handicapped. James, 12, has no arms or legs and uses a shoulder blade-controlled wheelchair. Jasmine, 12, has an inactive pituitary gland, producing no growth hormone.

The survey results did not surprise Williams, a ''creative dramatist'' whose programs are designed to enhance personal enrichment.

''My feeling is that the placement that works best for handicapped and minority kids has as much to do with culture as social economics. Your middle- and lower-income families, generally I feel, would do better with handicapped kids simply because of their attitudes, the way they deal with expectations,'' she said.

Williams explained that ''expectations are real basic'' in minority families. Families with the most difficulties, she feels, are the higher educated ones who have greater expectations, push the child and are more likely to think they can change the child.

Medenna Walton, of Ardmore, Okla., is white and married to Micheal, who is black. Their adopted son, DeAllen, 4, is biracial and has a mild form of cerebral palsy that limits his physical activities.

''I think he does better with us,'' Medenna said. ''We can give him both (racial) perspectives. He can be with my husband's family and get a black perspective and then be with my family and get a different one. I don't mean to sound prejudiced, but things are different, especially at family functions.''

She noted that her husband's annual family gathering includes friends as well as relatives, while her family's get-togethers are more intimate and ''much quieter.''

The biggest problem they have found with DeAllen's cerebral palsy is lack of medical insurance.

''But we love this child and wouldn't change a thing. At the very first moment we saw him, we knew he was one of us. He acted like he was a member of our family,'' she said.

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(OCT. 20) UPI - Anti-crime legislation and campaign finance reform bills look dead for this session of Congress... which appears ready to adjourn by the end of next week. Most of that time will likely be spent working on the budget. The anti-crime bill would expand the death penalty and limit appeals for death row innmates... but is stuck in conference. Campaign reform has stalled as Republicans refuse the Democratic demand for candidate spending limits.

President Bush is asking Congress to change the Civil Rights Act of 1990 or face a veto. The president maintains the bill would lead to UNacceptable job quotas. A White House spokesman says Bush will follow a veto with his own version of the bill... or that he might delay his veto if Congress resolves to make changes. But there is NO sign lawmakers will do so... and one source says ''the ball is in the White House's court.''

The head of the United Nations says the U-N will NOT send a mission to investigate last week's shooting deaths of at least 20 Palestinians in Jerusalem. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar blamed his decision on Israel's refusal to cooperate. He rejected a proposal for an Israeli report on the killings... adding that some countries are trying to ''influence'' Israel to receive the U-N.

A man considered one of the world's major drug kingpins was handed a 25-year prison sentence and fined six-Million dollars yesterday in Seattle. Prosecutors say Brian Daniels was a wealthy New York native who shipped vast amounts of Asian marijuana to the United States over a 12- year period. His operation allegedly involved the Hong Kong banking system and Vietnamese soldiers.

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#90293u0420 10/20/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 20) UPI - South Koreasn dissident leader Kim Dae Jung ended his 13-day hunger strike in Seoul today. He said his struggle forced the government and the ruling party to heed opposition political demands. Kim demanded that the government drop an attempt to shift to a parliamentary cabinet... implement local self-rule... and keep the military from politics.

Researchers say a new experiment testing the power of gravity has cast more doubt on the existence of the so-called ''fifth force'' in nature. Scientists at the Joint Institute for Laboratory Astrophysics in Boulder, Colorado, failed to find evidence of the force in what they called the most sensitive gravity experiment ever conducted. The findings are published in the October 15th issue of the scientific journal Physical Review Letters.

The king of Tonga arrived in Seattle last night on a mission to buy used tires... 30-Million of them. The king is offering 25-Million dollars for the tires to fuel planned electric plants in the South Pacific island country. A plant in California recently won clean air awards for using tire fuel. The king's offer will have to wait until February when the state of Washington auctions off the tires.

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FAIRFIELD, IL. (OCT. 20) UPI - An Army reservist who claims she is now a conscientious objector and refused to report when her unit was activated has been listed by the military as absent without leave, her father said Saturday.

Spec. Stephanie Atkinson did not report to the Fairfield Armory Wednesday when her postal unit mustered for active duty as part of Operation Desert Shield.

Steve Atkinson said he has not spoken with his 23-year-old daughter since the day after she received her notice to report. He said he believed she may have gone to an anti-war protest scheduled for Saturday in New York.

''She's my daughter. I love her. But I'm not in her corner on this,'' Atkinson said, who said Stephanie has been listed as AWOL. ''I do not support what she's doing.''

Atkinson's unit, the 331st Adjuntant General Postal Company based in Fairfield left Thursday for Fort Sheridan, near Chicago. Military officials at Fort Sheridan said Saturday they could not comment on the Atkinson case.

In an interview published in the Southern Illinoisan in Carbondale, Atkinson, a Murphysboro, Ill., resident, said that, since joining the military at age 17 she has changed her mind about war and has become a conscientious objector, opposed to violence of any type.

''The recruiter painted this as some sort of glamorous job,'' she told the newspaper. ''There was never any emphasis on the possibility that you'd go to war.''

Atkinson told the newspaper her motive for joining the military was to earn money for college and to gain job skills. She earned a degree in English at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, where she said she came in contact with various peace groups.

Atkinson could face arrest and prosecution for failing to report for duty. She said her enlistment was to have expired Sept. 24, but the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait intervened.

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#90293u0452 10/20/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 20) UPI - The Senate and House have an UNusual Saturday session coming up. They also plan to meet tomorrow in order to work on 13 appropriations bills that need to be passed before adjournment. Congressional leaders are NOT saying when they hope to adjourn the 101st Congress... but they are likely to want to finish work by the end of next week at the latest.

The federal government has the money to operate until Wednesday as Congress tries to finish work on the budget. A conference committee plans to meet again today to try to settle tax differences between the measures passed by the House and Senate.

The Civil Rights Act of 1990 is in limbo. President Bush has told Congress he WON'T sign the civil rights legislation it passed. Bush asked Congress to revise the measure to eliminate what he considers to be job quotas.

Iraq has told all foreigners who are still in Kuwait to register by November 5th or face being fined and jailed. Iraq warned Kuwaitis earlier that anyone caught harboring a foreigner could face execution.

Egypt says Iraq let about 130 Soviet technicians leave for home late this week and more are expected to fly home tomorrow. Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath is on his way to Iraq to seek the release of Britons.

Further signs Iraq wants to peacefully resolve the Persian Gulf crisis caused crude oil to drop three-dollars a barrel on world markets yesterday. Oil prices dropped 16 percent during the last six trading days.

China established trade relations with South Korea today. The long- expected agreement was signed in Beijing by trade officials of the two countries. The trade offices also will carry out limited diplomatic functions.

A government crisis in Yugoslavia has been averted. Serbia gave up trying to prevent a Croatian nationalist from becoming vice president... and a former Croatian prime minister was sworn into office in Belgrade yesterday.

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(OCT. 20) UPI - Panama's president says he is confident he will NOT be overthrown. President Guillermo Endara says he does NOT feel threatened by disgruntled police officers because the Panamian people WON'T support a coup attempt.

The French Embassy in Beirut still harbors the Christian general who lost his power struggle for control of the Lebanese capital... Michel Aoun. But France is flying Aoun's family and some of his aides out of Lebanon.

German police searched the Berlin offices of the former Communist Party and the offices of two Communist deputies yesterday. But officials say police failed to find any evidence linking the party to the mis-use of public funds.

A drug suspect wanted in the United States is the first person to turn himself in under a new offer in Colombia. The alleged cocaine trafficker is taking advantage of an offer of a reduced sentence and NO extradition.

The makers of Peanut Butter Graham Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle Cookies say yes... indeed... the cookies contain peanut butter. The labels on cookies sent to stores in 25 states fail to list peanut butter among the ingredients.

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(OCT. 20) UPI - Canada today is withdrawing its diplomats from Kuwait... because they're cut off from supplies by Iraqi soldiers. But Canada maintains it is NOT closing its embassy. A new poll of 500 Europeans finds most favor

military action to end the Persian Gulf crisis. The British are the most hawkish... while the Italians are most dovish.

Oil-rich Iraq plans to begin rationing gasoline next week. Iraq never resorted to gas rationing even during its war with Iran in the 1980's. The measure appears to be the result of the international embargo against Iraq. Analysts suspect Iraq may be low on spare parts for oil refineries.

The U-S government is operating under its second emergency spending measure in three weeks. President Bush signed the bill last night to keep the government from going broke. He had previously said he would NOT extend the spending authority... but changed his mind after saying Congress made progress toward a budget accord.

The Senate has rejected a measure to criticize new Israeli settlements in East Jerusalem and require a study on future U-S loans for Israel. The amendment would have been a rare congressional rebuff of the U-S ally. Senate Republican leader Bob Dole said U-S policy still views Israeli settlements in occupied territories as detrimental to Mideast peace.

The Reverend Jesse Jackson says a threat by President Bush to veto the Civil Rights Bill is ''race-conscious signal'' to ''appeal to the fears of whites.'' The two-time presidential candidate said in New York that the president's linking of the bill to quotas is a ''racist code signal'' to make whites think their jobs are in danger.

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(OCT. 20) UPI - The Senate approved 85-Million dollars in U-S military aid to El Salvador yesterday. The aid depends on five conditions, including El Salvador's investigation and prosecution of those who murdered six Jesuit priests last year. The conditions are an effort to pressure El Salvador to negotiate with rebels.

Demonstrators forced their way into an abortion clinic in Toledo, Ohio, yesterday. Some shackled themselves outside the front door, requiring police to cut locks before arresting and carrying the protesters into patrol wagons. One officer said as many as 25 people were taken into custody.

Malaysia's ruling party faces its biggest threat ever from an opposition coalition in elections this weekend. Some candidates say they were left off ballots... but a Commonwealth observer team says ''Malaysia has a good track record'' for fair elections. The challenger for prime minister is promising tax cuts and worker incentives.

China today established de facto trade relations with South Korea. With annual bilateral trade reaching three-BILLION dollars last year... Beijing and Seoul

badly need offices to handle the flow of goods. For China, the deal is a diplomatic snub to communist ally North Korea.

Americans piled up an additional 20 percent in debt on their principal credit cards last year over 1988. The users of Visa, Master Card, Discover and American Express cards more than doubled their debt from 1985... to 270-BILLION dollars. The increased usage comes despite high credit card interest rates... which rose to an average of more than 19 percent.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 20) UPI - On what would have been Jessica Guzman's 11th birthday, police Saturday examined ''an awful lot of similarities'' between her death and those of three other people, two of them children.

Detectives questioned several people, one of them a cabbie who knew the families of all the victims.

Jessica Guzman was the most recent child found dead within a 2-mile radius in the Bronx where the bodies of 13-year-old Nilda Cartagena and 15-year-old Heriberto Marrero also were found - both strangled or smothered, officials said.

The youngsters all disappeared from their homes and the medical examiner ruled they were victims of ''homicidal asphyxiation.''

''You can say there's an awful lot of similarities'' in all three cases, said police Sgt. William Kivlehan.

Guzman, who would have been 11 on Saturday, was found Wednesday in a clump of bushes along the Bronx River Parkway. Cartagena and Marrero, their bodies stuffed in garbage bags, were found off the Hutchinson River Parkway on June 21, 1989.

A fourth victim, 21-year-old Lisa Rodriguez, also may turn out to be linked, but the cause of her death has not been determined, Kivlehan said. Her body was found June 19 off the Hutchinson River Parkway.

Exactly how the children died remain unknown because their bodies were decomposed when found.

''The detective looking into the Guzman homicide is also looking into the deaths of those other children. We're putting it all into a computer to see what kind of links we get,'' said Kivlehan.

He said a computerized net has been spread ''as far back as 15 years'' to seek connections to past homicides.

At least one of the links is that of Alejandro Henriquez, 29, a gypsy cab driver who knew all the victims or their families.

''That person is being investigated along with a number of other people,'' said Kivlehan. ''He was a common link with the other two.

''He's not the chief suspect, nor a target. It's all being looked at. We're going out and following all kinds of leads.''

Marrero and Cartagena both lived in the same address and had been missing for two weeks when their bodies were discovered. They were last seen by their uncle when he dropped them off at school.

Guzman disappeared Oct. 10, setting off a massive search by the community.

Her wake was to be Saturday and Sunday at St. John Vianney Church in the Bronx.

Meanwhile, the Daily News reported Saturday that Lisa Rodriguez's mother visited the Guzman family the night Jessica's body was found and told them her daughter dated Henriquez once, but was uncomfortable with him.

Henriquez told the Guzman family and police last week he had been one of the last people to see the little girl when he took her father, aunt and uncle to a nearby home.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 20) UPI - Joel McCrea, a real-life cowboy who starred in such Western classics as ''Union Pacific'' and ''The Virginian,'' died early Saturday. He was 84.

McCrea, a tall, rawboned man with the look of the West about him, died of pulmonary complications at 4:50 a.m. at the Motion Picture and Television Fund Hospital in Woodland Hills after a short stay in the acute care ward, a hospital spokeswoman said.

His wife of 57 years, actress Frances Dee, was with him when he died.

McCrea always played the hero, whether in slick comedies or riding the range. Off-screen, he defied the old Hollywood mold of scandal and headlines and spent more time punching cattle on his own ranch in Thousand Oaks, Calif. - which he brought in 1930 on the advice of Will Rogers - than he did before the cameras.

In the ensuing years, while starring in such films as ''Wells Fargo,'' ''Cattle Drive,''''Wichita'' and ''Barbary Coast,'' McCrea developed his

100-acre parcel of land in Ventura County north of Los Angeles into a 2, 300-acre cattle ranch that made him a multi-millionaire.

One of his proudest achievements was his election - behind Rogers and Gary Cooper - to the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City.

''I love being a member of that Hall of Fame,'' he later said, ''because its purpose is to perpetuate the standards, ideals and culture of the Old West.''

Born Nov. 5, 1905, in South Pasadena, Calif., McCrea entered films in the 1920s as an extra while attending Pomona College. His early films were not limited to Westerns; his first real role came shortly after college graduation with a bit part in ''The Fair Co-ed,'' starring Marion Davies.

In the 1930s, he starred in ''The Lost Squadron,'' ''Bird of Paradise,'' ''Three Blind Mice'' and Alfred Hitchcock's ''Foreign Correspondent,'' among others.

But the burly 6-foot-5 actor soon settled into frontier roles. His first break was in 1930 as the lead in RKO's ''The Silver Horde,'' filmed in Alaska. It was while playing in Rogers' spoof Western ''Lightnin''' that same year that he first befriended the great humorist.

He made his television debut in 1959 in the ''Wichita Town'' series.

McCrea once said he entered acting only because it was the faster way for him to make money to buy his beloved ranch. Ambitious studio publicists soon discovered that both the actor's grandfathers had fought Indians in the Wild West.

''I don't want to do anything but Westerns,'' he said in a 1956 interview. ''Good films are mighty scarce these days and in Westerns there's always plenty of spectacular scenery to keep the audience happy when the plot begins to drag.''

Occasionally McCrea lamented the loss of realism in modern films.

''I've seen pictures where thousands of rounds of ammunition were pumped back and forth without hitting anybody,'' he complained once. ''It's stupid. Nobody could shoot and miss that much. A guy wouldn't live that long.''

McCrea is survived by his wife, and three sons, Joel, who worked as an actor under the name Jody; David and Peter, who are both ranchers in New Mexico.

Private funeral services were planned.

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(OCT. 20) UPI - Canadian diplomats have been pulled out of Kuwait. The reason... NO food is left in Canada's mission in the occupied country. Canada says even though the diplomats are leaving Kuwait, the mission WON'T be closed officially. The U-S Embassy is one of the few still staffed in defiance of Iraq's orders to shut down. Canada is only the latest of many missions and embassies to run out of food and be forced to close either officially or UNofficially.

A poll that was released today indicates most Europeans favor military action to end the crisis in the Persian Gulf. The poll found the British are the most in favor of military action. 87 percent of the British favor military action. The Italians are the least in favor of military action, 59 percent favoring it.

Members of Congress have a weekend of work coming up. The Senate and House plan to spend the weekend on the 13 appropriations bills to finance the government in fiscal 1991. NONE have been sent to President Bush for his signature even though the budget year began October 1st. A conference committee also plans to meet today to do further work in trying to reach a compromise on deficit-reduction.

The head of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration says he does NOT want to see his agency become a federal profit center. OSHA's Gerard Scannell says criminalizing violations will make it hard for inspectors to get through company doors without warrants. Scannell told an audience in Spokane, Washington... ''If we can't get in the door, we can't point out the problems and abate the hazards.''

The global ban on trading ivory has gained a new supporter. China says it will join the ban on ivory trading to protect the endangered African elephant. China has imported an average of 50 tons of ivory a year since 1980. The tusks are carved into jewelry and decorative figurines and then exported. Two years ago, China exported more than seven-Million dollars worth of carved ivory products.

The controversy over tuna will be discussed in San Diego today. Scientists from 27 nations will discuss the problem of whales, porpoises and dolphins dying in fishermen's gill nets. The scientists will look for ways to stop the killing during the six-day International Whaling Commission conference.

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#90293u0587 10/20/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 20) UPI - The obscenity trial of the 2 Live Crew is winding down. Closing arguments are scheduled today at the trial in Fort Lauderdale. Two witnesses for the rap group testified yesterday that the performance that landed members of the 2 Live Crew in court had serious artistic and political value. One witness compared the band's lyrics to the character of Archie

Bunker on ''All in the Family.''

Fire investigators say a blaze in a dormitory at San Jose State University in California was deliberately set. Investigators ruled out all accidental causes in the fire, which began in a couch. The blaze injured 22 students... three of them critically... in Andrew Moulder Hall yesterday.

The owners of an art gallery in Houston fear the theft of three drawings was an act of anti-Semitism. Three of the six drawings depicted scenes from the Holocaust. New York artist Jerome Witkin did them all. Gallery owners say more costly works were NOT stolen.

For the second time this year, a North Korean soldier has defected to South Korea. A sergeant walked across the border today. In September, a member of a North Korean special forces unit sailed a rubber boat to a South Korean outpost on an island in the Yellow Sea.

Orange juice may cost a little less in the coming months. Florida agriculture officials predict a bumper citrus crop this year. Officials say the harvest is early. Last year's citrus harvest was hurt by a Christmas freeze. For the coming Christmas, officials anticipate more than 215 Million gift boxes.

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#90293u0622 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 20) UPI - The baby race is on in Pittsburgh, where an FM radio station is giving new meaning to the ''Breeders' Cup.''

Radio station WDVE is doing its part to promote family growth with a contest promising four couples, selected by lottery, a weekend at the posh Vista International Hotel and a chance to score a grand prize.

The first couple to make a baby wins. They'll get a $1,000 savings bond, nursery, playpen, high chair, stroller, car seat, diapers, baby food - even a weekend of Lamaze classes.

The women will be tested by a nurse at the station every Monday until a couple conceives.

''We did get one call from a guy who said simply, 'Humans don't breed,' and hung up,'' said general manager Gene Romano. But most of the feedback has been positive.

The station's morning disc jockey team solicited listeners who wanted to have a baby and got two boxes of faxes and letters. DJs Scott Paulsen and Jimmy Krenn interviewed the finalists Friday.

For Todd and Tia Holdorf, who have wanted a baby ever since their second

wedding anniversary Oct. 8, the contest happened just at the right time.

''It was coincidental,'' Todd said. ''We'd been talking about it awhile and now's a good time to get started. We're just going to relax and let it happen.''

Larry and Ann Clark found the contest an incentive.

''If this is how we have our first child, it'll be a story to tell him one day '' Ann said.

Other couples in the running are Randy and Cherie Lowe and Jack and Sandy Kelly. The couples liked each other so much, they're hoping for a tie so that everyone can win.

It's not the first time WDVE has tried an offbeat promotional gimmick. In June 1988, the station offered a breast enlargement to any woman who came up with a creative reason for wanting one. The promotion offended some women, caused a grass-roots campaign and cost the station advertisers.

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#90293u0659 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (OCT. 20) UPI - Canada became the latest nation to succumb to Iraqi pressure and pull its diplomats out of Kuwait Saturday, while a new poll indicated the majority of Europeans favor military action to end the gulf crisis.

In Washington, a senior administration official warned pro-Iraqi terrorists were planning attacks, possibly on Arab leaders friendly to the United States.

The poll of 500 people in Britain, France, Spain, Germany and Italy indicated that Britons were the most favorably inclined to military action while Italians were least supportive of an armed strike.

The British Broadcasting Corp., which reported the results, said 87 percent of those polled in Britain favored military action while only 59 percent of Italians did so. The other three European countries involved in the survey ranged in between.

U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said during a visit to France that he believed economic sanctions, imposed by the United Nations following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, were beginning to have an effect as evidenced by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's decision Friday to ration gasoline.

''We also are hopeful that we will be able to achieve our objective peacefully '' he said in Paris.

Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency quoted Canadian External Affairs Minister Joe Clark as saying Canada would not officially close its embassy in Kuwait, but would withdraw all of its personnel.

The move leaves only a handful of foreign missions, including that of the United States, open in occupied Kuwait in defiance of Iraqi orders to relocate to Baghdad. Iraqi soldiers have surrounded the embassies and cut off their supplies of water and electricity.

Clark said the Canadian diplomats were leaving because they had run out of food.

MENA quoted informed sources Saturday as saying Kuwaiti resistance fighters freed 70 prisoners in Safwan on the Iraqi-Kuwaiti border during a fight last week.

The sources, who escaped to Amman, told the news agency that eight Kuwaiti fighters died in the clash and claimed 30 Iraqi soldiers were killed.

The Kuwaiti resistance has issued numerous reports about raids and attacks on Iraqi occupational forces that can not be confirmed, but they have sometimes backed their claims with photographs of smoldering Iraqi vehicles and dead soldiers.

The news agency said exiled Kuwaiti emir Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al- Sabah would travel to Paris to hold discussions with French President Francois Mitterrand, whose gulf peace proposal has been widely praised. The plan calls for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait followed by free elections, which the ruling al-Sabah family has opposed.

Sources told the news agency Mitterrand would seek to assure al-Sabah that the plan did not call for his ouster from power.

One member of the family, poet Saad al-Sabah, told reporters in Cairo that Iraqi authorities had told some family members they would be richly rewarded if they remained in Kuwait and accepted the ouster of Sheikh Jaber.

Saad al-Sabah said the family members refused the offer.

Former British Conservative Prime Minister Edward Heath arrived in Baghdad Saturday on a self-styled mission to persuade Iraq to free elderly and sick British hostages.

Some British lawmakers have criticized Heath, saying Saddam will use him for propaganda purposes. Iraqi authorities were quoted by MENA as saying Heath was a guest of Iraq, and not the British Embassy in Baghdad.

Saddam is holding hundreds of Western men hostage at key military and economic

sites as insurance the Western forces in the gulf will not attack. Western hostages from several countries have been released in recent days - including four Germans Saturday - as so-called gestures of good will.

Germany and Italy sent messages to their nationals in Iraq Saturday pledging they were doing what they could to win their release.

In Washington, a senior administration official who asked not to be identified said Palestinian radicals had been brought to Baghdad and there were signs trained teams had been moved into position for eventual terrorist attacks.

The official said the United States was particularly concerned about the safety of friendly Arab leaders.

Egypt's speaker of parliament was shot dead last week by assassins suspected to have been pro-Iraqi agents.

In other developments Saturday:

-The Gulf News Agency quoted the Saudi newspaper Al Nadwa as saying 100 American soldiers stationed in the kingdom had converted to Islam. The report, which could not be immediately confirmed by U.S. military officials, said the soldiers decided to convert after learning about Islam during lectures designed to acclimate them to Saudi Arabia.

-Australian newspapers reported that an order prohibiting sailors from wearing uniforms in public had triggered fears that a terrorist group was planning to strike Navy personnel in retaliation for three Australian warships deployed in the gulf.

-The Jordanian government banned two shipments of medicine destined for Iraq for the first time since the economic sanctions were imposed by the United Nations.

-The first dozen of more than 100 British Challenger tanks arrived in Saudi Arabia, the first time the tanks had been deployed outside of Europe.

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(OCT. 20) UPI - Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath is in Iraq on a self- styled mission to gain the release of elderly and sick British hostages. Some British lawmakers have criticized Heath for undertaking the mission, saying Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will use the trip for propaganda purposes. Iraq is holding hundreds of Westerners at key military and economic sites as insurance against attacks from the West.

Canada today became the latest nation to succumb to Iraqi pressure and remove

its diplomats from occupied Kuwait. A Canadian spokesman says the Embassy in Kuwait City has run out of food. Officials say they are NOT officially closing the Canadian Embassy in Kuwait but are withdrawing all the personnel still there.

Members of Congress are spending a rare working weekend on Capitol Hill today, beginning the annual drive for adjournment... this year, in advance of the off-year elections. Major anti-crime legislation and campaign finance reform bills have been all but written off, as legislators concentrate on enacting major funding bills for the fiscal year that began on October 1st.

President Bush signed another stop-gap funding bill to keep the government running through October 24th. The bill enables House and Senate negotiators to keep working on a compromise deficit-reduction package. They must reconcile two versions of the plan to cut 500-BILLION dollars from the deficit in the next five years.

Panamanian President Guillermo Endara is dismissing a plot by police officers to destabilize his government, saying the people of Panama would NOT support a coup attempt. Panamanian authorities reported uncovering the plot and the arrests of four policemen. Endara told reporters yesterday that Panamanians are NOT willing to support a coup that would restore military rule in the nation.

Black community leaders in Boston declared October 23rd a day of mourning for the injustices committed against blacks in Boston in the wake of the notorious slaying of Carol Stuart. The woman was shot to death and her husband wounded after a birthing class. The husband said a black man did the shooting, but later leaped from a bridge to his death as police closed in to arrest him for the crime.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 20) UPI - With the threat of closing down the government lifted, Democratic and Republican leaders met privately Saturday to try to figure out who will pay for the new budget package.

Negotiators trying to reconcile the two different packages passed by the House and Senate were to meet during the weekend to come up with an agreement that could be passed before the government again runs out of money Wednesday.

But in fact most of the early meetings were among the leaders of both parties.

White House chief of staff John Sununu and budget director Richard Darman came to Capitol Hill to confer with Senate Republican leader Bob Dole, while the chief Democratic figures in the Senate - Sens. George Mitchell, D-Maine, and Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas - and the House - Speaker Tom Foley of Washington and

Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill. - met on the House side.

When asked about the progress of the talks, Foley said, ''I've generally heard that they've been going well, but I don't have any details.''

While there are big differences in both major bills over Medicare, the issue of taxes was taking up much of the leaders' time.

The Senate package would increase the federal gasoline tax 9 1/2 cents a gallon by 1992. It contains no changes in federal income tax rates, but does limit tax deductions that can be claimed by those earning more than $100,000 a year.

The House version has no gasoline tax increase, but raises income tax rates on the wealthiest Americans from 28 percent to 33 percent and imposes a 10 percent surtax on those with taxable incomes of more than $1 million a year.

The White House supports an agreement similar to the Senate version and Senate leaders have indicated the final version cannot change too much or the fragile eight-vote margin of passage might not hold.

Still, many Democrats - including some who voted for the Senate version - like the thrust of the House bill.

''I don't imagine that we're going to come out of conference with the House version intact,'' Foley said.

He added, ''I think it may have, or it will have, features of both bills.''

Foley reiterated the hope expressed earlier by Dole and Mitchell that the negotiators could reach agreement by the end of Sunday so that the full Congress could start voting on it Monday.

President Bush, who two weeks earlier shut down the government rather than sign a resolution keeping it going temporarily, signed a stop-gap spending bill Friday to the government money flowing through Oct. 24.

He said he decided Congress had made ''satisfactory progress'' toward agreement on a new deficit-reduction accord.

Both bills being argued over seek to reduce the deficit by $40 billion in the fiscal year that began Oct. 1 and set up the means to cut the spending-revenue gap by $500 billion over five years.

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(OCT. 20) UPI - Congress plans to spend the weekend working on the 13

appropriations bill to finance the government in fiscal 1991. Anti-crime legislation, campaign finance reform and other major bills could fall by the wayside as lawmakers use the rare weekend session to begin their annual adjournment drive.

At the same time, Senate and House negotiators are meeting this weekend in an effort to find a compromise budget package to cut the deficit by 500-BILLION dollars over five years. The negotiators must reconcile the Senate and House bills in a fashion acceptable to the administration... or face the threat of another government shutdown at midnight Wednesday.

President Bush says he regrets that Congress has NOT given him an anti-crime bill he can sign. The legislation greatly expands the federal death penalty and short-cuts the appeals process for Death Row inmates. But Bush told a group of Italian-Americans at the White House- ''I don't think that we're going to get it before the end of the session.''

About two-thousand delegates opened a two-day congress in Moscow today hoping to anchor a national coalition opposing the Communist Party. The Democratic Russia movement emerged as a loose bloc of groups last year before elections to the Russian republic Parliament and local governments and its candidates won major victories in Moscow, Leningrad and several other regions.

The family of Lebanon's defeated Christian strongman Michel Aoun arrived in France today without him. The rebel general's wife, three daughters and eight other people close to him have been granted political asylum. The fate of Aoun however, remains uncertain. He's still holed up in the French Embassy in Beirut.

In Burma, the military leadership today clamped down harder on Buddhist monks staging a religious boycott against the military. Official Rangoon radio reports that the government ordered the dissolution of all Buddhist organizations engaging in what it called anti-government activity. Observers in Rangoon say armed troops have been stationed around many Buddhist pagodas.

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LIBREVILLE, Gabon (OCT. 21) UPI - Gabon goes to the polls Sunday in a first-round ballot to elect deputies in 62 constituencies where earlier legislative elections were annulled because of widespread fraud and ballot-rigging, marring the country's first multi-party contest.

The Ruling Gabonese Democratic Party expected to win enough seats to ensure it at least a relative majority in the West African nation's first democratically elected parliament, political experts say.

The Gabonese Democratic Party, created by President Omar Bongo, won 36 of the

58 seats for the 120-seat National Assembly in elections validated in the first elections, held Sept. 16.

Political pundits said the ruling party is unlikely to obtain much fewer than 60 seats overall after Sunday's vote and a runoff election a week later. This is because the opposition is deeply divided and so far has only 22 seats.

The ''Morena des Bucherons'' party headed by Paul Mba is the leading opposition grouping with 14 seats from the September election, the Gabonese Progress Party has three seats while the Association for Socialism in Gabon has three and the tiny Gabonese Socialist Union and Morena Originel groupings have one seat each.

The toughest areas for the Gabonese Democratic Party to make up the 24 seats it needs to control half the assembly will be in the north, west and south of the country, notably in the provinces of Woleu-Ntem, Ogooue-Maritime, Ngounie and Nyanga.

In those provinces the opposition is well entrenched, either having won seats outright in the September elections or prevented the Gabonese Democratic Party from winning a seat outright then.

Tension has been high in the western province of Ogooue-Maritime, where the oil capital of Port Gentil saw rioting by anti-government demonstrators in May.

Bongo has urged voters to set aside tribalism in the elections, the first multi-party test for the West African former French colony.

He has said he intends to finish his presidential term that runs until 1993. He has called for a broad-based coalition government of ''national unity'' to be formed after the polls whatever the outcome, with a Gabonese Democratic Party politician at its head as prime minister.

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ST. MARYS, GA (OCT. 21) UPI - The USS West Virginia, a weapon described as having ''awesome destructive capability,'' Saturday joined the Navy's Trident nuclear submarine fleet at Kings Bay Naval Submarine Base.

About 5,000 people attended the West Virginia's commissioning ceremonies in a drydock area at the base near St. Marys. The 560-foot, 18,750-ton West Virginia was the first Trident to be commissioned outside Groton, Conn., where the giant submarines are built by the Electic Boat Division of General Dynamics Corp.

The West Virginia is the third nuclear submarine armed with Trident II nuclear missiles to be based at Kings Bay, and is the third ship in Navy history to

bear the name West Virginia.

Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., and West Virginia Gov. Gaston Caperton joined Navy officials on a podium draped in red, white and blue bunting and set on the submarine's hull. A Navy band played ''The West Virginia Hills'' and ''Anchors Away,'' and a huge West Virginia flag flapped in a gentle breeze beside the Stars and Stripes.

The West Virginia, with 24 Trident II missile tubes, four torpedo tubes, almost silent propulsion and advanced sonar should be a powerful deterrent to any aggressor, said Rear Admiral John Claman of Naval Sea Systems Command.

''We can only hope that those countries who would intend to do us mischief will see the awesome destructive capability inherent in the West Virginia and refrain from adventurism,'' Claman said.

Byrd said the Trident fleet is a symbol of America's continuing role as a world leader.

''Our role in the world remains needed and this ship symbolizes it - an expression of power only to be used against those who challenge us and the values that we and our allies cherish,'' said Byrd, chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Byrd said the submarine also symbolizes the willingness of residents in its namesake state to fight in wartime.

''The USS West Virginia will carry with her the spirit, the deep courage, loyalty and sacrifice that has characterized generations of young West Virginians through two world wars, Korea and Vietnam,'' he said.

The West Virginia, with a crew of 157, was christened Oct. 14, 1989, by Byrd's wife, Erma. Prior to Saturday's commissioning, the submarine underwent a series of sea trials, during which it experienced the fewest problems of any Trident submarine, said James Turner, vice president and general manager of the Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics.

''This ship will be protecting our country when our grandchildren are adults. The West Virginia is designed for the long haul, to play a lasting role in our country's strategic defense force,'' Claman said.

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#90293u0928 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 21) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev said the Soviet Union has held a ban on nuclear weapons testing for the past year, the first time a Soviet leader has publicly acknowledged the moratorium, an international anti-nuclear group reported Saturday.

The Soviet president, who last week received the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize, expressed his ''alarm'' over continued nuclear testing and pledged to take up the issue with President Bush when the two next meet, said a spokesman for International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War.

The Cambridge-based group, which won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1985, said it received a telegram from Gorbachev stating the Soviet Union has not engaged in nuclear weapons testing during the past year.

''You know the position of the Soviet Union and you are right in saying that the principal strategy of the U.S.S.R in this matter has been actions that would lead to a complete end of nuclear testing,'' Gorbachev said in a message delivered through the Soviet Embassy in Washington.

''We have proved that those were indeed actions, and not words, by our unilateral moratorium on nuclear weapon tests, which, for reasons beyond our control, did not develop into a complete and definitive cessation of such tests, and by our practices over the past year when we have not conducted a single nuclear test,'' he said.

Although U.S. officials were aware that the Soviets had not tested nuclear weapons for the past year, this is the first public acknowledgment from Soviet officials, said Peter Zheutlin, director of public affairs for the group.

''Everyone has known it was the case. The important thing is that this is the first public acknowledgment that there is in fact a moratorium,'' Zheutlin said.

''The significance of this is that nuclear weapons testing is critical in order to modernize a nuclear arsenal. The fact that the Soviets haven't tested in a year means that their nuclear weapons (buildup) is virtually at a standstill,'' he said.

Zheutlin said Gorbachev had announced a moratorium on nuclear weapons testing in 1985 and invited the United States to reciprocate. The Soviet leader extended his ban through February 1987, but abandoned it when the United States failed to take similar action, Zheutlin said.

In his message to the IPPNW, Gorbachev expressed that his regret that the United States was not yet ready to accept a ''total prohibition of nuclear testing'' and said he would broach the issue when he next met with Bush.

''It goes without saying that the Soviet Union's pledge to completely ban all nuclear testing at any time and and for all times, if the U.S. does likewise, still stands,'' Gorbachev said.

''The key point is Gorbachev's reiteration that if the United States will stop

nuclear testing they will stop forever,'' Zheutlin said. ''Nuclear testing is quite easily linked to the problem of nuclear proliferation. They are putting increased emphasis on this. They would like the U.S. to move this issue back to center stage on the U.S.-Soviet arms control agenda. They understand better than the U.S. government how central this issue is.''

Zheutlin said he thought the Soviet moratorium was partly in response to a strong grass-roots opposition movement in the Soviet republic of Kazakhstan, that country's principal testing site.

''They don't want to inflame the passions of the local people,'' he said. ''Ordinary people are standing up to the Soviet military complex. We have not been able to put a crimp in the American nuclear buildup. Very ordinary Soviet folks have accomplished that in their country.''

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(OCT. 20) UPI - President Bush is considering submitting his own compromise proposal to major civil rights legislation to Capitol Hill. The president has demanded that Congress revise the Civil Right Act of 1990 or face a veto, saying the measure would allow unacceptable job quotas. Aides say Bush is considering proposing alternate language.

House Speaker Thomas Foley of Washington, however, said today that he rejects any action that would include what he called a ''recycling'' of previous positions already rejected by House and Senate negotiators. He told reporters- ''Those changes have been considered and rejected.'' Foley says he doubts negotiators will go back and open up the bill again.

In Paris, visiting U-S Defense Secretary Cheney said today there's growing evidence that Iraq is beginning to feel the sting from U-N economic sanctions. Cheney told reporters that a shortage of gasoline for automobiles and trucks would hurt Iraq's ''massive military machine,'' as well as the Iraqi economy.

Cheney also sought to reassure Arab allies in the Persian Gulf crisis that U-S forces won't out-stay their welcome in the region once the objective to make Iraq withdraw from Kuwait has been attained. In Cheney's words- ''We will stay as long as we are wanted. We will depart when they want us to depart.''

The father of an Illinois Army reservist who refused to report for active duty as part of Operation Desert Shield says his daughter has been listed by the military as absent without leave. Steve Atkinson says 23-year-old Specialist Stephanie Atkinson now claims she's a conscientious objector.

Outspoken South Korean dissident Moon Ik-hwan was freed today from serving a 10-year sentence for an unauthorized trip to North Korea. Moon's release comes in the wake of unprecedented talks between the two Koreas. The move was

swiftly welcomed by South Korean opposition parties and dissident circles.

In Los Angeles, film star Joel McCrea died early today at the age of 84. McCrea, a real-life cowboy who starred in such Western classics as ''Union Pacific'' and ''The Virginian,'' died of pulmonary complications at the Motion Picture and Television Fund Hospital in Woodland Hills. Private funeral services are planned.

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#90293u1088 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 21) UPI - A jury acquitted three members of rap group 2 Live Crew Saturday on obscenity charges for a live nightclub performance of songs from an album that a federal judge had declared obscene.

The jury of four women and two men deliberated about two hours before returning the innocent verdict, which brought cheers from family and fans of the Miami-based rap group when it was read in a packed Broward County courtroom.

''Let's go to Disney World,'' band leader Luther Campbell told reporters after the trial, which included a six-day jury selection process and five days of testimony.

If convicted of the misdemeanor obscenity charge, Campbell and band members Mark Ross and Christopher Wongwon each would have faced a maximum penalty of one year in jail and a $1,000 fine.

When he heard the verdict, Campbell turned to courtroom observers, raised his hand in victory and smiled.

The charges were the result of a June 10 performance of songs from the group's hit album, ''As Nasty as They Wanna Be,'' at Club Futura in Hollywood. The show occurred just two days after a federal judge in Fort Lauderdale deemed the album and its sexually explicit lyrics obscene in Dade, Broward and Palm Beach counties.

The group plans to resume touring and again perform concerts in Broward County said Campbell, who described the case as a political ploy by Broward Sheriff Nick Navarro to posture an anti-obscenity stance.

''You know Navarro. He likes these cameras,'' Campbell told reporters. ''But now these cameras are going to hurt him when he runs for re-election.''

Campbell said the verdict echoed the sentiment of most county residents.

''We did overcome. A lot of people used this situation to look at Broward in a bad way,'' Campbell said. ''The people I have met in Broward County don't feel

the same way as Nick Navarro.''

Defense attorney Bruce Rogow said the verdict ends the controversy surrounding the album.

''The jury has spoken and there is a lesson to be learned here,'' Rogow said. ''When you live in this country, no matter what color you are, you still have a right to speak, no matter if you challenge people or say things they don't like.''

Defense attorney Allen Jacobi, a music law specialast who represented Ross, said: ''Speaking as someone who is involved in the music industry on a daily basis, I know the music industry has been watching this, and it is great to know the First Admendment is still alive.''

Assistant State Attorney Pedro Dijols said he would have preferred a guilty verdict but was satisfied the jury heard the state's case, which included testimony of two undercover detectives who interpreted unintelligible tape recordings of the performance for jurors.

''The people of Broward County have spoken,'' Dijos said. ''Our main concern was that this actually got to a jury. Personally, you always want to win but the main thing here was to give the people a chance to decide.''

Among the yardsticks the jury considered was whether the group's performance had artistic or political value, and whether the performance would be morbid or shameful to the average person in the community.

The defense presented two expert witnesses, both of whom testified that rap music such as that performed by 2 Live Crew is an art that has as its basis black-American culture.

''The expert witnesses gave us a picture of the progress of music, but most of us felt that even if they hadn't been there ... we felt they were not guilty '' said juror Beverly Resnick, 65, whose son is a professional musician.

Athough 2 Live Crew's songs are peppered with profanity and sexually explicit lyrics, ''I've heard them before. The words are words. In this day and age, this is the venacular of our youth,'' Resnick said.

Another juror, David Garisow, a recent music graduate from University of Miami said jurors had little trouble agreeing on the verdict. ''Everybody said the minute the two sides rested, we knew what our decision was. It was only a matter of getting everyone to say it,'' he said.

Whether 2 Live Crew would face similar charges for a repeat performance in Broward was uncertain, Dijols said.

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#90293u1186 10/20/1990 ~United Press International
FREETOWN, Sierra Leone (OCT. 21) UPI - Hundreds of refugees fleeing strife-torn Liberia arrived Saturday in Sierra Leone aboard a Nigerian naval vessel, pouring into the capital and prompting fears by health officials that a cholera outbreak could be imminent.

Scores of refugees from Guinea, Sierra Leone and Liberia disembarked the ''River Oli'' after an arduous passage from Monrovia, the scene of months of civil war. The refugees said there were 25 deaths during the passage, including 10 soldiers from Guinea, and that six civilians who died during the journey were tossed into the sea.

Scores of arriving children were taken for immediate medical care, suffering from acute malnutrition and cholera. Seven babies are also said to have been born on the trip, but two died before they arrived in Freetown, passengers said.

Most of the refugees appeared malnourished and could be seen trading belongings such as tape recorders and radios for bread and other food.

With the large exodus of refugees and evacuees to Sierra Leone, Red Cross authorities in Freetown expressed concern about the possibility of a cholera outbreak in the capital.

One Red Cross official told United Press International that most of the dead refugees and sick people arriving in Sierra Leone suffered from cholera and there is no supply of vaccines if any outbreak occurs.

The vessel was scheduled to leave port for Guinea to continue transporting refugees and dead soldiers back to the East African nation.

Many Guineans and Nigerians were in Liberia as part of an East African peacekeeping force sent into Monrovia to halt battle between rival Liberian leaders who toppled the government of slain President Samuel Doe but then turned their guns on each other.

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#90293u1259 10/20/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 20) UPI - A demonstration to rally against U-S troops in the Persian Gulf drew nearly four-thousand protesters today to Manhattan's Columbus Circle. The crowd chanted anti-war slogans and carried anti-war signs and then marched behind seven young conscientious objectors down Broadway to Times Square. Police reported NO incidents or arrests.

Paris police say some eight-thousand people marched through the French capital

today to say ''NO to war'' in the Persian Gulf. Organizers claim 30-thousand turned out for the rally. The demonstration was called by Communists, Greens and other leftist groups.

In London, authorities say a huge demonstration against a controversial poll tax turned ugly today as protesters tossed gasoline bombs, stormed barricades and looted shops. Police say the violence left eight people injured and 91 arrested. The unrest broke out after 25- hundred protesters left the site of the rally to demonstrate outside a nearby prison.

Democratic and Republican leaders huddled privately today to decide nagging issues on two different new budget plans passed by the House and Senate. While there are big differences in both bills over Medicare, the issue of taxes is taking up much of the leaders' time. House Speaker Tom Foley says he's heard the talks are going well.

The Civil Rights Act of 1990, passed by the House and Senate this week, has arrived at the White House. President Bush has 10 days to sign or veto the bill. Bush has demanded that Congress revise the measure because of what he calls unacceptable job quotas. But aides say Bush now is considering proposing alternate language.

China's official news agency reports that a strong earthquake rocked a remote area of the country today, but there are NO immediate reports on casualties or damage. The quake measured six-point-two on the Richter scale. It was centered in an area that's hilly and sparsely populated. Efforts to contact local officials by telephone were unsuccessful.

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#90293u1306 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 21) UPI - President Bush, jockeying to avoid a politically damaging rejection of major civil rights legislation, dispatched his own plan to Capitol Hill Saturday night in hopes of resolving the contentious question of unacceptable job quotas.

Bush, who had demanded that Conrgess revise the Civil Rights Act of 1990 or face a veto proposed an alternate bill containing some significant concessions - the product of a flurry of last-minute White House and congressional negotiations aimed at salvaging the widely supported legislation.

Reiterating his contention that the landmark bill passed this week by both the House and Senate contained, ''critical defects'' that would lead to quota hiring, Bush declared, ''Congress has the opportunity to cure the defects that neccesitate my rejection of (the legislation). With the changes I am forwarding to the Congress, together we can produce legislation that will strike a blow against racial bias without institutionalizing quotas.

''I urge the Congress to enact my proposal before adjournment,'' he added in a statement announcing that he would veto the current bill Monday. In passing the bill, neither house had the margins necessary to override a veto.

Bush legal adviser C. Boyden Gray, who spent months working with Congress to craft compromise legislation, said the new plan contains several key changes in language aimed at easing the burden on employers, including the placement of a $150,000 total cap on punitive and compensatory damages sought by employees charging racial discrimination.

''That's more than we have ever acknowledged before,'' Gray told reporters.

The new plan, the first time Bush has formally embraced shifting the legal burden back on business, incorporated an agreement reached in July with Sen. Ted Kennedy, D-Mass., and chief of staff John Sununu that would at the same raise the standards needed for a defendant to prove racial discrimination. That would assuage Bush's concerns that employers would have to resort to quota hiring to protect themselves against a crush of litigation.

Gray and White House press secretatry Marlin Fitzwater acknowledged that it was not at all clear whether Congress would reopen the question, but the spokesman said, ''We hope this bill will pass.''

''We hope that once Congress sees our bill is very close to the current one and that it makes only those changes dealing with the quota problem that they will indeed turn to this bill as an appropriate correction,'' Fitzwater said. How Congress would react was indeed unclear.

In fact, no sooner had word surfaced Saturday that Bush would come forward with a compromise plan, House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., rejected any action that would include a ''recycling'' of previous positions already rejection by congressional negotiators.

''I doubt we would go back and open up the bill again,'' Foley said.

Both bills would reverse or modify six Supreme Court decisions last year that supporters say weakened civil rights laws and made it tougher for women and blacks to prove discrimination. The most contentious issue centers on one decision in which the court effectively set aside an 18- year-old standard that placed the burden of proof on businesses to show that their hiring and promotion practices were based not on discrimination but on business necessity.

With the election just weeks away, and already embattled Bush, who has watched his populatity fall in recent weeks said, ''I want to sign a civil rights bill ... The administration has tried to work with Congress in good faith on these issues, but I cannot accept legislation that is unfair.''

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(OCT. 20) UPI - Congressional leaders work to resolve budget issues... Canada pulls its diplomats out of Kuwait... and the rap group 2 Live Crew is acquitted of obscenity charges. Those and other top stories, next, from U-P-I.
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The issue of taxes is again consuming budget negotiators' attention on Capitol Hill.

Democratic and Republican leaders held private meetings today, trying to reconcile the differences between House and Senate deficit-cutting plans.

The grueling process brought White House chief of staff John Sununu and budget director Richard Darman to Capitol Hill to meet with Senate G-O-P leader Robert Dole. On the House side, Democratic leaders conferred.

The Senate package under consideration would increase the federal gasoline tax nine and a half cents a gallon by 1992. The White House supports an agreement similar to the Senate version.

The House version does NOT raise gas taxes, but it does raise income tax rates on the wealthiest Americans from 28 to 33 percent. It would also impose a 10 percent surtax on those with taxable incomes of more than one-Million-dollars a year.

Senate leaders have indicated the final version canNOT change much and still survive, considering that it passed by a fragile eight-vote margin.

And one key Republican in the House says he does NOT like either bill because both raise taxes. Georgia's Newt Gingrich says he intends to vote against the conference package based on the two versions being considered.

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#90293u1752 10/20/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 20) UPI - Firefighters from six New Hampshire communities were called to a blaze today in Dover, but the combined effort did NOT save the lives of three children.

Another youngster was severely burned and four adults injured in the house fire in a working-class section of the eastern New Hampshire city.

Officials say half of the wooden home's first floor- including the stairwell- was ablaze by the time firefighters arrived at the scene.

Four children were trapped by the flames on the second floor, with firefighters managing to save the life of one child. In the words of one

firefighter- ''by the time we found the other three victims, it was too late.''

A cigarette apparently caused the fire in the home that was NOT equipped with smoke detectors.

President Bush has 10 days to make what is possibly one of the most important decisions of his presidency.

He has 10 days to sign or veto the Civil Rights Act of 1990, which arrived at the White House today. The bill was passed by the House and Senate this week, and has the support of major civil rights and women's groups.

Bush threatens to veto it unless it's changed. Aides say he's considering proposing a compromise to avoid a politically damaging veto just weeks before the congressional elections.

The bill would reverse or modify several Supreme Court decisions that backers say weakened civil rights laws and made it tougher for women and blacks to prove discrimination.

The president's main concern is that the bill would prompt employers to impose job quotas to protect themselves against a crush of litigation.

Chances for a compromise appear dim. House Speaker Thomas Foley says the changes sought by the White House have already been considered and rejected. The Washington Democrat says he doubts lawmakers ''would go back and open up the bill again.''

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#90293u1756 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 20) UPI - The streets are quiet now in London's Brixton section... but police are patrolling in case of further trouble.

Earlier today, a huge demonstration against Britain's controversial poll tax turned ugly, with protesters throwing gasoline bombs and looting shops. Eight people were hurt, and 91 were arrested.

Police say the violence erupted when 25-hundred protesters left a peaceful demonstration against the tax... and demonstrated outside Brixton prison nearby.

The crowd threw bottles and other items at police, and stormed barricades. Police say a breakaway group moved into central Brixton and a running battle ensued... with demonstrators throwing gasoline bombs and looting shops. The protesters later left the area.

The poll tax, which went into effect in April, has drawn criticism because it

is a flat rate tax that does NOT discriminate according to wealth. The richest man in Britain pays the same amount as his servants.

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#90293u1817 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 20) UPI - A Fort Lauderdale, Florida, jury deliberated about two hours today before acquitting three members of the rap group 2 Live Crew of obscenity charges. In issuing the innocent verdict, the jury rejected prosecution charges that the Miami rap group was- quoting here- ''trying to make a buck'' off obscenity. The band members were charged following a June 10th nightclub performance of songs from an album that a federal judge declared obscene. .

2 Live Crew band leader Luther Campbell says his band plans to resume touring and again perform concerts in Broward County. Campbell says he does NOT harbor any ill will against the county, just against Broward Sheriff Nick Navarro who- Campbell says- enjoyed the publicity. But Campbell predicts the trial's publicity will wind up hurting Navarro when he runs for re-election.

Congressional and White House budget negotiators are back at the bargaining table. The president's chief of staff and budget director conferred with Senate Republican leaders today, while House Democratic leaders also met. House Speaker Tom Foley says the talks are ''going well,'' but added he could NOT provide any details. At issue are two different deficit reduction packages that must be reconciled before the government runs out of money on Wednesday.

In New York today, protesters rallied against the U-S military presence in the Persian Gulf, chanting ''We won't kill for Texaco'' and other anti-war slogans. Police say there were NO incidents or arrests among the crowd estimated at about five-thousand people. The crowd jammed Manhattan's Columbus Circle before marching down Broadway to Times Square.

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#90293u1825 10/20/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 20) UPI - A huge demonstration against a controversial poll tax turned ugly in London, with protesters hurling gasoline bombs and storming barricades. Police say five protesters and three police officers were taken to the hospital with head and chest injuries following today's violence... in which 91 people were arrested. The poll tax has met widespread opposition because it does NOT discriminate according to wealth.

It's beginning to look a lot like winter in parts of the nation. Frigid air pushed into the central United States today, with as much as nine inches of snow falling in the Rocky Mountains of Colorado. Elsewhere, somewhat less severe snowstorms socked New Mexico, Nebraska and Kansas... with three inches of snow reported in portions of all three states.

A Pittsburgh radio station says it did get one irate telephone call in response to its latest promotion. The F-M station says one man called to say- quote- ''Humans doN'T breed''... and then hung up. The station is holding a contest in which four couples will spend a weekend at a posh hotel, with the first couple to make a baby winning a grand prize.

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#90294b0405 10/21/1990 ~Business Wire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Turner Broadcasting System Inc. (ASE:TBS) and Pathe Communications (NYSE:PCC) announced Sunday a broad-ranging series of agreements under which TBS' two entertainment networks, TBS SuperStation and Turner Network Television (TNT), will license exclusive English-language television exhibition rights in the United States to nearly 1,000 films in the MGM/UA feature film library.

The TBS exhibition period for each film generally will be 10 years commencing upon availability.

The license agreements cover films released theatrically by MGM/UA through December 1988, as well as certain 1989 releases. Among the features licensed to TBS are: the first 16 James Bond movies; ''Rocky I'' through ''Rocky IV;'' the Pink Panther films; contemporary movies such as ''Rainman,'' ''A Fish Called Wanda,'' ''Wargames'' and ''Yentl;'' and classic titles like ''West Side Story,'' ''The Good, The Bad and The Ugly,'' ''Annie Hall,'' ''Fiddler on the Roof'' and ''Some Like It Hot,'' among others.

The agreements do not include any future MGM/UA productions.

TBS' rights pursuant to the license agreement are subject to consummation of the closing of the planned merger of MGM/UA Communications Co. with a subsidiary of Pathe Communications Corp. The first installation of the license fees will be funded on Monday, Oct. 22, 1990, in anticipation of the planned closing of the merger.

In making the announcement, TBS Board Chairman and President R.E. Turner stated: ''The MGM/UA film library is the finest collection of contemporary and classic movies available for license in the market today. We are extraordinarily pleased to be able to offer this programming to the viewers of our networks in the coming years.''

MGM/UA also will license to TBS SuperStation and TNT the exclusive U.S. television rights to the Pink Panther cartoons, ''The New Twilight Zone'' and the classic science fiction series ''Outer Limits.'' Each license period is approximately 10 years.

In another transaction, MGM/UA also will license 300 films from the MGM/UA

library for use on TBS' recently announced satellite-delivered, English-language TNT feed to Latin America. The service is scheduled to begin operation in 1991.

The exhibition period for each film is generally five years.

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#90294d3390 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 21) - Indian Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh has asked his party to brace itself for the worst after Hindus and Moslems rejected his suggested compromise over a disputed shrine, sources said Sunday.

Senior sources in the ruling Janata Dal (People's Party) said Mr. V.P. Singh had told his party colleagues to be "prepared for the worst-case scenario" -- taken to mean the possible fall of his 11-month-old government.

The 59-year-old premier sounded the warning after both Hindus and Moslems turned down his "three-point formula" to resolve rival claims over a disputed 16th century site where Hindus want to start building a temple on October 30.

Under the formula proposed Friday, the government would have taken over the site in the northern town of Ayodhya, arranged a quick Supreme Court verdict on the dispute and urged Hindus to build their temple on an adjacent site.

The powerful Hindu-revivalist Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP, Indian People's Party) and the fundamentalist Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP, World Hindu Council) rejected the compromise together with the Moslems.

The BJP is an ally of the minority government, which is dependent on the support of the party's 86 MPs for its survival. The BJP has threatened to withdraw its support in case the temple building plans are hampered.

BJP President Lal Krishan Advani, who is on a 10,000-kilometre (6,000-mile) road journey to reach Ayodhya by October 30 to supervise the temple's construction, was quoted by newspapers as saying the formula had been designed only to "buy time" for the government.

For its part, the VHP threatened to launch a "massive agitation" if the 3,200 square feet of disputed land, where it says the Hindu Lord Rama was born, is not handed over to Hindus.

"Anything coming in the way of the date, time, place and the model of the proposed temple will be rejected," VHP General Secretary Ashok Singhal said.

Moslem leaders called for a nationwide general strike on October 30 to protest the government's takeover of the Ayodhya site, where a mosque built by Moghul emperor Babar stands.

Salahuddin Owaisi, chairman of a panel spearheading the Moslem cause, said the takeover amounted to a "betrayal" of Moslem interests.

He said the move violated Moslems' religious freedom and he slammed Mr. V.P. Singh for not halting Mr. Advani's journey to Ayodhya.

Sunday's newspapers said the prime minister had intervened to stop Mr. Advani's planned arrest by the administration in the communally-sensitive eastern state of Bihar.

The Times of India said the arrest was prevented to give Mr. Advani time to "reconsider his stand" on the temple-construction and abandon his journey, which has sparked fears of a major Hindu-Moslem confrontation.

Janata Dal sources said Mr. Advani's arrest was still possible, adding that the government was making "frantic, last-ditch" efforts to persuade him to give up his confrontationist posture.

The five-party National Front coalition, of which the Janata Dal is the main partner, had been disheartened by the rejection of the compromise but was hoping the BJP would still come around, a senior party official said.

"Like the PM said, we are prepared for the worst," said the official, who spoke on grounds of anonymity. "But we are continuing our efforts in the hope that the BJP will still see sense."

He said the National Front and the BJP had at least one common cause left -- to prevent former prime minister Rajiv Gandhi from exploiting the situation and coming back to power.

The temple-mosque dispute is the latest in a series of crises to hit the V.P. Singh government, which in its brief duration has been battered by political infighting, continuing separatist violence in Punjab and Kashmir and student unrest over job quotas for backward castes.

Both the BJP and Mr. Gandhi's Congress (I) have predicted early general

elections.

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#90294d3410 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BELGRADE (OCT. 21) - Yugoslavia's biggest republic, Serbia, plans to abandon the country's federal legal system, press reports said Sunday. The republic of Slovenia has already done so.

The Serbian parliament Tuesday planned to pass a number of bills ''contravening federal regulations''. Among other things, the Serbian parliament would take control of the republic's energy and farm policy.

In a sharp comment on the disintegration of Yugoslavia's multi-nation structure, the Belgrade newspaper Politika pointed out that the federal government had last week enacted laws by emergency order ''of which it knew in advance that they would not be obeyed''.

Serbian Premier Stanko Radmilovic was quoted as saying that his state, a producer of electric power, had ''lost 120 million dollars'' to the hostile republics of Croatia and Slovenia because federally regulated energy prices were too low.

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#90294d3460 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (OCT. 21) - Many U.S. troops are finding that boredom is replacing the heat as their main enemy in the Saudi desert as their officers wage a battle to maintain morale.

One of the primary weapons in the fight to keep up the spirits of the more than 100,000 troops on the ground in Saudi Arabia is mail from home.

"If it wasn't for mail, a lot of people wouldn't be making it out here," said Private Frederick "Conan" Colon, 19, during a visit to a recreation center known as "Panther Paradise", which has been set up for M-1 tank crews of the 197th Mechanized Brigade.

The U.S. military has overcome initial distribution problems, and some of the units closest to the Saudi border with Kuwait are now receiving regular faxes and letters.

U.S. officers say they are well aware of the stress on their men of living in the desert for months on end and are doing their best to improve conditions and to provide recreation.

"You can't take soldiers and put them smack dab in the middle of the desert and not give them time off," said Colonel Ted Reid, 46, commander of the 197th

Mechanized Brigade.

His tank crews spend one day a week or two days every two weeks at "Panther Paradise," tents on the perimeter of their position.

The main facility at "Panther Paradise," or "Panther Penitentiary", as one soldier called it, is a tent made from a huge camouflage cargo parachute.

Inside are cots, a television set and a bookshelf stocked with a couple dozen paperbacks and magazines.

"We come over here to take our mind off things," said Private Robert Filbert.

The troops relax without any military duties, watch TV, take showers, play volleyball or touch football, and buy soft drinks and candy at the store.

"Most of the guys are tired and just want to go home," said Pvt. Filbert, 20, although he stressed: "We came here to do our jobs and we don't need anybody back home feeling sorry for us."

At a field artillery battalion of the 197th, soldiers pass the time and stay fit with a "sport of the month."

This month it's volleyball at 7:00 a.m., with flag football, soccer and softball lined up, provided the troops' worst fears are realized and they are forced to stay in Saudi Arabia that long.

The battalion also lifts weights made from sandbags or from the empty water bottles which have become a feature of the desert landscape.

"We got good morale," said Sergeant Steve Jackson of a 155mm howitzer battery.

"If we don't, we create it," he added as he sat under camouflage netting swatting flies and cleaning his M-16 rifle.

Among the diversions is a miniature ping pong table made from plywood with a red and black checkerboard drawn on top.

Killing flies can kill time too, although the body count per man has dropped off with the onset of cooler weather from an average of 300 of the pests a day.

Living conditions for U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia vary widely from unit to unit and from service to service.

Some troops the most forward eat only packaged rations, while those in the field, are yet to receive hot meals, take only sponge baths and live in cramped tents on the sand.

"Whoever said morale was high is lying," said Specialist H.B. Carlton Broughton of the 101st Airborne Division, one of the U.S. units closest to the Saudi border with Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

The 23-year-old soldier complained about the spartan living conditions and being made to fight for "cheaper oil."

Spec. Broughton may have reason to feel particularly bitter, though. He said his wife filed for divorce when he got his orders to leave for Saudi Arabia and he had not been allowed to go home.

He also said he had not received any help from the army, although U.S. officers stress the family support programs operated by each unit.

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#90294d3590 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (OCT. 21) - A U.S. navy spokesman confirmed Sunday that warning shots were fired to stop an Iraqi freighter in the Gulf but he said he had no knowledge that American and allied ships had been alerted after the incident.

He said shots had been fired in a ''routine measure'' across the bow of the freighter when it ignored a radio order to stop. The ship was searched. The outcome of the search was not immediately known.

U.S. and Kuwaiti diplomats expressed surprise about two newspaper reports Sunday alleging that Iraq had secretly been withdrawing occupation troops from southern Kuwait in the past two days.

The United Arab Emirates newspaper Al-Khaleej said hundreds of Iraqi tanks and personnel carriers had been pulled out of southern Kuwait during the past two nights towards Al-Mutlaa in the north. It spoke of an organised retreat which had taken place only at night.

The Bahraini daily Akhbar al-Khaleej quoted Kuwaiti refugees as claiming they had ''not seen a single Iraqi soldier'' in southern Kuwait. The southern border post Nuweiseeb had been unoccupied and no one had confiscated their passports.

In Baghdad, petrol stations were temporarily sold out after thousands of motorists filled up their tanks before a new measure to ration petrol goes into effect Tuesday.

In Kuwait, only the embassies of the United States, France and Britain continued to resist pressure from Iraqi occupation troops. Canadian diplomats suspended their work Saturday and were told to leave Kuwait City after they ran out of food.

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#90294d3850 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KABUL (OCT. 21) - Afghan security forces launched a push on Sunday to recapture "one or two" security posts overrun by mujahedeen guerrillas in a strategic provincial capital, a top military officer said here.

General Nabi Azimi, the first deputy defence minister, told reporters that troops were continuing a drive to wrest control of the posts in Kalat, the capital of Zabul province.

"Military operations (in Kalat) are continuing. One or two captured security posts are still in the hands of the opposition. We have already recaptured one post," Gen. Azmi said.

He said the captured posts were about four kilometers (2.5 miles) from the city centre and added that Kalat itself was under government control.

Government troops have beaten back a major resistance assault on the city with heavy artillery fire and aerial support, he said.

Kabul said it has killed over 200 guerrillas during the battle, which erupted eight days ago, but has not given its own losses.

Security forces were also moving to clear the highway between Kalat and Kandahar to the southwest in a bid to allow the free flow of traffic on the country's main highway linking western, southern and southeastern prvinces with the capital.

The militants have intensified their attacks in the past month, but their best efforts crumbled in the face of heavy rocket, artillery and air attacks by Afghan forces, Gen. Azimi said.

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#90294d3880 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (OCT. 21) - A total of 1,331 candidates, 722 of them independents, will run for 215 national assembly seats in the October 24 elections in Pakistan, the country's election commissioner said Sunday.

Chief election commissioner Naimuddin said results would be tabulated and sealed at each of the 33,736 polling stations nationwide in the presence of party candidates or their representatives before being sent to Islamabad for announcement.

As in the past, the elections constituency results would not be announced until complete, he said, adding that counting would begin as soon as polling was over.

Commission statistics showed 182 candidates running under the flag of the People's Democratic Alliance (PDA) headed by former prime minister Benazir Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party (PPP).

The elections were called as a result of Ms. Bhutto's ouster on August 6 on charges of mismanagement. She has since charged that top-level rigging could occur because the presidency planned to set up a special cell to "clear" the results before they were announced.

Denying the allegation, Mr. Naimuddin said Sunday there would be no deviation from normal procedure.

Ms. Bhutto's main opponent, the Islamic Democratic Alliance (IJI), has fielded 147 candidates but has enough candidates from allied smaller parties to match the Bhutto camp, commission figures show.

Observers said one of the main reasons that independents outnumbered party candidates was strict party selection rules which had led many former seat holders and candidates to try to run on their own.

Some 48.6 million people are eligible to vote in the polls, but many observers have predicted that turnout this year may be lower than the 1988 elections which brought Ms. Bhutto to power, when 43 per cent of the electorate cast their votes.

Queried on candidates who have exceeded their permitted campaign expenditure, a normal and traditionally unpunished practice here where candidates shell out million of rupees (dollars) for feasts, processions and rallies, Mr. Naimuddin repeated the usual assurances that if proof were provided, action would be taken.

Two candidates have already been returned unopposed.

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#90294d4700 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (OCT. 21) - Lebanese President Elias Hrawi left here Sunday after 10 hours of talks with Syrian counterpart Hafez al-Assad and a commitment by Damascus to help promote "national understanding" in Lebanon.

Lebanese sources said the dicussions over Saturday and Sunday dealt with plans to disband Lebanon's volatile militias and efforts by Mr. Hrawi to extend his authority after the fall of rebel Christian leader Michel Aoun.

A Syrian presidential spokesman on Saturday said President Assad had pledged that his country "will furnish all possible assistance to help Lebanon achieve national understanding."

Syrian forces, who control more than two-thirds of Lebanon, joined Lebanese Army regulars October 13 to end Gen. Aoun's rebellion.

But the Lebanese political scene was thrown into turmoil Sunday with the brutal assassination of Dany Chamoun, a prominent Christian figure and ally of Gen. Aoun.

President Hrawi denounced the killing of Mr. Chamoun, his wife and two children as an assault on "stability and peace in Lebanon."

Mr. Hrawi's government is heavily dependent on Syria, which has deployed some 35,000 troops in Lebanon, and Syrian assistance is seen as crucial to his efforts to bring the militias under state control.

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#90294d4710 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 21) - South African President Frederik de Klerk leaves here late Sunday on a diplomatic foray to the Netherlands and Luxembourg with a discreet stop-over in Morocco.

The trip comes one month after the president's sucessful visit to the United States.

Presidential spokesman Caspar Venter said Mr. De Klerk would have a day-long "unofficial working visit" in Morocco, the first visit there by a South African head of state, and was expected to meet King Hassan.

The trip to Morocco was kept secret until it was announced last week by Foreign Minister Pik Botha. No details of Mr. De Klerk's itinerary in Morocco would be disclosed, Mr. Venter said.

Morocco has reportedly bought weapons from South Africa in the past and the two countries have had trade links for some years, the pro-government Beeld newspaper said Friday.

According to diplomatic sources cited by Beeld, Mr. Botha has already made a secret visit to Morocco.

Mr. De Klerk was invited to the Arab country but not for an official visit, Mr. Venter added. He would not say who extended the invitation. The president will be accompanied by his wife Marike and by Mr. Botha.

The visit is the latest in a series to African states by Mr. De Klerk since he took over leadership of the National Party in February last year.

Observers believe Mr. De Klerk is likely to visit another as yet unnamed

African country before he returns to South Africa on Friday.

He was to leave South Africa at midnight Sunday, and to arrive in Morocco at noon Monday, Mr. Venter said, after a refuel stop-over at Abidjan in Ivory Coast.

On Tuesday, he leaves for a two-day official visit to the Netherlands.

This visit has special significance to Pretoria because European Economic Community heads of state are expected to make a definitive decision on economic sanctions against South Africa when they meet in Rome on December 15.

According to reports here, Mr. De Klerk's visit to the Netherlands is not expected to change the Dutch government's stance on economic sanctions but could, at best, pave the way for a hesitant resumption of cultural contacts.

Mr. De Klerk's trip to the Netherlands is the first official visit there by a South African government leader in over 40 years.

Although the South Africans expect to face anti-apartheid demonstrations, Mr. Botha has hailed the trip as a breakthrough in relations with the Netherlands.

The lifting of a state of emergency in violence-prone Natal province, announced last week, is expected to be a point in favour of Mr. De Klerk during his trip.

In the Netherlands, then in Luxembourg on Thursday, Mr. De Klerk is expected to discuss reform developments in South Africa, sanctions against Pretoria and the recent spate of violence in black townships.

South Africa's remaining discriminatory laws and the release of political prisoners are also expected to be discussed.

Families of South African political prisoners have said they will hand a letter for Prime Minister Ruud Lubbers to the Netherlands Embassy in Pretoria on Monday, asking him to intervene on their behalf and "get answers".

Mr. De Klerk will also meet with Dutch foreign minister Hans van der Broek and Queen Beatrix, and address the Dutch Senate.

Constitutional Development Minister Gerrit Viljoen will be acting president during Mr. De Klerk's absence.

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#90294d4760 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LA SPEZIA, Italy (OCT. 21) - The government of Argentina is considering

sending more military forces to the Gulf, the Argentine foreign affairs minister said Sunday.

Domingo Cavallo said his government was considering sending air and land forces, including doctors and nurses. He said the planes would serve as logistical support for the two Argentine ships on their way to enforce the U.N. embargo.

He said the planes could also evacuate, if necessary, Argentine and other Latin American citizens from the Gulf region.

Mr. Cavallo, who spoke aboard the corvette Spiro on a stop-over in this Italian port en route to the Gulf, said no political decision had yet been taken, however.

Argentina is the only Latin-American nation so far to send military forces to the Gulf to help enforce the embargo imposed on Iraq after it invaded Kuwait on August 2.

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#90294d4810 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 21) - Police in the northern state of Uttar Pradesh have detained 17,000 people and sealed the town where Hindus plan to build a temple at a site sacred also to Moslems, reports said Sunday.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) said the state administration on Sunday also banned sale of guns and explosives to prevent violence on October 30, when militant Hindus plan to start building the temple in Ayodhya.

It did not disclose when the 17,000 arrests were made, but said those detained were activists of militant Hindu groups and the rightist Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP, Indian People's Party), which is spearheading the temple building campaign.

"With the presence of 30,000 policemen and paramilitary troopers, the holy town gives the look of an inaccessible fort," PTI said in a dispatch from Ayodhya, 700 kilometres (420 miles) north of New Delhi.

The Uttar Pradesh administration has barricaded highways to New Delhi and Haryana state, halted more than half of its fleet of state buses and set up police checkpoints to prevent Hindus from reaching Ayodhya, PTI said.

Thirty-four trains passing near Ayodhya have been stopped and other trains entering Uttar Pradesh were also being searched for Hindu activists, PTI said.

Schools and colleges have been also shut until November 1 to prevent students from taking part in the campaign.

Security was stepped up after state Chief Minister Mulayam Singh Yadav's refusal to allow Hindu activists into Ayodhya, where the BJP and the fundamentalist Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP, World Hindu Council) want to build the temple.

The BJP has threatened to withdraw its support from Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh's coalition government over the issue, prompting the premier to warn his supporters Sunday to brace themselves for the worst.

BJP President Lal Krishan Advani is currently on a 10,000-kilometre (6,000-mile) trek aiming to reach Ayodhya by October 30 to supervise the temple's construction. He will try to enter Uttar Pradesh Wednesday.

A BJP leader said here meanwhile that the prime minister had again called on the BJP to take part in talks in a bid to find a compromise.

He said the BJP had agreed to the talks with the 59-year-old premier, adding that his party will again try to explain its views on the temple issue.

"The government has put the disputed site in jeopardy by taking over the shrine through a presidential ordinance on Friday," BJP General Secretary Murli Manohar Joshi said.

Mr. Joshi reiterated the BJP's warning that it will withdraw support from the government if Mr. Advani is hampered either by the Uttar Pradesh administration or by the federal government.

Mr. V.P. Singh, before the presidential ordinance was announced Friday, had proposed in a three-point formula a government take-over of the site, having the Supreme Court decide on the rival Hindu and Moslem claims, and he urged Hindus to build their temple on an adjacent site.

The formula was rejected outright by Moslems and Hindus.

The Moslem community, which makes up 12 per cent of India's 850 million people says the Babri Masjid (mosque) was built by Moghul emperor Babar in the 16th century.

Hindus claim the mosque was built after razing a Hindu temple of Lord Rama,

the legandary Hindu king-warrior revered as an incarnation of Vishnu, the preserver of life.

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#90294d4900 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (OCT. 21) - A two-day wave of politically-motivated violence claimed the

lives of at least 18 people, including a husband and wife who were beheaded by Maoist guerrillas, police said Sunday.

The most serious episode occurred Friday in the town of Pucara, 315 kilometers (195 miles) east of Lima in the department of Junin, where Maoist Shining Path rebels massacred eight people, police said.

The victims included Ricardina Romero, 47, and her husband Julio Sosa, 52, who the rebels beheaded, said police. Felix Laurente, 49, and his son Lenin Jesus Laurente, 20, were shot to death. A mechanic, two shopkeepers and an eighth unidentified man also were killed, police said.

Also Friday, about 50 rebels attacked a peasant self-defense group in Gran Shinungari, 200 kilometers (125 miles) east of the Andean city of Ayacucho, police said. Three peasants and five rebels were killed, they said.

Shining Path rebels also killed two policemen Saturday, firing on their squad car with automatic weapons as the police traveled through the Lima district of San Martin, police said. The policemen's car crashed into a mini-bus filled with passengers, injuring five people, police said.

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#90294d4910 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DEN HELDER, Netherlands (OCT. 21) - The Dutch frigate Witte de With, currently patrolling the Gulf to help enforce the United Nations embargo against Iraq, saved eight shipwrecked Iranians on Sunday, a Dutch navy spokesman said.

The frigate's crew was warned by a Panamanian vessel, the Glory Central, to look out for survivors after the Glory Central had found parts of a boat, the spokesman said.

The Iranians were aboard a 15-metre (45-foot) sailing boat which was on its way to Dubai with a cargo of fruit. The survivors said their boat was hit during the night by a ship, probably a tanker, which continued its route.

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#90294d4940 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CLEVELAND, Ohio (OCT. 21) - A house fire early Sunday killed five children who were trapped in their upstairs bedrooms and died of smoke inhalation, authorities said.

A woman and her son jumped from an upstairs bedroom to escape the blaze which began on the ground floor of the 2-12 storey frame house, Fire Investigator Albert Lugo said.

The house was engulfed in flames by the time firefighters arrived, thwarting efforts to rescue those inside, he said.

The woman was hospitalized in fair condition with burns. The victims were four boys and a girl, aged to two to 12, Cuyahoga County Coroner Elizabeth Balraj said.

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#90294d4970 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (OCT. 21) - An Iraqi cargo ship ignored warning shots from a U.S. destroyer in the Gulf on Sunday and was headed for Yemen followed by an Italian warship, U.S. military officials said here.

In Rome, the Italian Defence Ministry confirmed that the Italian frigate Libeccio had been trailing the Iraqi merchant vessel, the Al Bahar Al Arabi, since early Sunday.

An Italian Defence Ministry spokesman said the frigate would continue to follow the Iraqi vessel across the Strait of Hormuz and in the southern area of the Gulf of Oman, "in coordination with allied craft" in the area.

The Iraqi cargo boat was boarded by a U.S. naval team on Saturday and its captain agreed to return to Iraq or be taken into port, said Commander J.D. Van Sickle, a U.S. Navy spokesman.

After the boarding party left, however, the Iraqi ship continued towards the Yemen port of Aden, followed by the destroyer USS O'Brien and the Italian frigate, Cmdr. Van Sickle said.

When the 7,000-ton Iraqi ship refused to acknowledge repeated radio challenges on Sunday, the O'Brien fired two shots from its five-inch guns, 25 rounds from its .50 calibre machine guns and 15 25mm rounds across the bow of the Al Bahar Al Arabi.

Despite the warning shots, "the ship's master indicated he did not intend to adhere to O'Brien's directions to return to Iraq," the navy spokesman said.

He said the Iraqi vessel was currently in the southern Gulf headed for the Strait of Hormuz and was being followed by the Italian warship.

Cmdr. Van Sickle said he did not know if any cargo was found aboard the Iraqi vessel during Saturday's search.

An international armada led by U.S. warships is in the Gulf, Arabian Sea and Red Sea to enforce the trade embargo imposed against Iraq by the U.N. Security Council following its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The multi-national fleet has carried out more than 2,350 interceptions since August.

On October 8, an Iraqi-registered tanker, the Tadmur, was forced into port after it was found to be carrying rice and flour.

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#90294d5010 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (OCT. 21) - Iraq will fight ''until achieving victory'' if attacked by the United States and its allies in the Gulf, the country's first deputy prime minister, Taha Yassin Ramadan, said here Sunday.

Ramadan said the multinational force assembled in the Gulf ''would not be able to define the area and the end of the battle if it would break out'', the Iraqi News Agency Ina reported.

Ramadan, who is a member of Iraq's Revolutionary Command Council, the highest authority in the country, said Iraq rejected war as a means of solving international disputes.

However, it ''would fight until achieving victory if the United States and its allies insisted on fanning war in the region''.

Ramadan, speaking during a meeting with a visiting Finnish member of parliament, said the United States was facing for the first time ''an Arab force that rejects blackmail and subordination''.

He described U.N. Security Council resolutions against Iraq following its invasion of Kuwait as ''illegitimate''. The U.N.'s charters do not ''provide for banning food, medicine and milk'' from the Iraqi people, he said. dpa bw

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#90294d5170 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (OCT. 21) - A United Arab Emirates Hawk-class combat plane crashed on a training mission Sunday, killing the pilot, the official news agency WAM reported.

The accident occurred on the coast of the Umm Al Quwain emirate in the southern Gulf 24 minutes into a daily training flight, the agency said.

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#90294d5220 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 21) - Only Congress has the right to declare war and congressional leaders would return from their upcoming break if the Gulf crisis flared, Senate Majority leader George Mitchell said Sunday.

His statements underscored the tension between Congress and the Bush administration over whether the president, as commander-in-chief of the armed forces, can commit U.S. troops to war without a formal declaration by Congress.

"Only Congress can make that grave decision," said Mr. Mitchell, a Maine Democrat, in an interview on NBC television. "And in this respect, if the United States is to be committed to war, it requires action by Congress."

Congress is to adjourn, most likely next week after completing work on the budget, until mid-January. But Mr. Mitchell said congressional leaders were prepared to return if tension flared in the Gulf.

While the administration has said it would consult Congress if the president planned to declare war, members of Congress contend the Constitution requires the president to do more than consult lawmakers.

The 1973 War Powers Act obliges the president to consult with Congress before deploying troops into hostilities, or when hostilities are imminent, and withdraw forces from such situations within 60 to 90 days if Congress has not voted its approval.

The administration contends advance notification to Congress of any attack could ruin the element of military surprise.

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#90294d5240 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (OCT. 21) - Three German hostages released by Iraq arrived in Frankfurt Sunday via Jordan and Turkey. Three others are in Amman and are due to return home Monday, the German foreign ministry said.

Bonn government sources said there were indications that a seventh German hostage would be allowed to leave Iraq for Jordan Monday. One other German may be released in the course of the week.

The hostages had been held by Iraq for nearly three months along with thousands of other Westerners to deter an attack by U.S.-led forces in the Gulf.

Their release was facilitated by Dieter Schinzel and Gerhard Schmidt, German Social Democrats (Spd) and members of the European Parliament, who visited Baghdad two weeks ago.

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#90294d5270 10/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (OCT. 21) - The official death toll from an explosion Thursday at the

"1st May" coal mine at Karvina (northern Moravia) rose to 30 Sunday after salvage teams said there was no hope of finding nine missing miners.

The official Czechoslovakian news agency CTK said that the salvage teams continued to work under difficult conditions Sunday evening to find the bodies and bring them to the surface.

The explosion occurred at a depth of 750 metres (2,250 feet). Some 221 of 251 miners were evacuated. Three were hospitalized.

The accident was the most serious mining accident in Czechoslovakia since the September 1981 accident at the Pluto mine in Zaluzi (northern Bohemia) which killed 65 miners.

In May 1985 an accident at the Doubrava coal mine in the same mining basin as Karvina left 25 dead, 17 of whom were never found.

According to the first findings of a commission of enquiry, the fire-damp explosion at the "1st May" mine was probably set off by a spark from a coal breaker and mechanical loader.

Informed sources said work was suspended in the pit but could start again on Monday or Tuesday.

Before the accident, daily production of the Barbora pit was about 5,000 tonnes of coal -- 40 percent of the "1st May" mine's production. The mine has two other pits which were not affected by the disaster, the sources said.

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#90294e0011 10/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

OAXACA, Mexico (OCT. 21) EFE - Five Mexicans were rushed to hospital and 11 others were treated by doctors after a swarm of so-called African-strain bees attacked them in the southeastern city of Oaxaca, police said.

A police spokesman said a group of children had come across the bees Saturday on the wall of a house in the city, 507 km southeast of the capital.

After the children threw stones at the swarm, the bees attacked the group and other passers-by.

Five people were taken to hospital after they were badly stung, while the other 11 were given sedatives.

Firemen were called to the scene to drive the swarm away.

The African-strain bee is the result of an experimental cross between the European honeybee and its more aggressive African cousin.

Hundreds of cases of animals and humans being stung to death have been reported since the bees started migrating from Brazil in 1957.

Mexico was invaded by the insects four years ago and two children were killed last month after they came across the bees.

The African-strain, which can be found in swarms of up to 50,000, is very easily roused to attack.

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#90294e0027 10/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PEREIRA, Colombia (OCT. 21) EFE - Four men claiming to be dissident members of the M-19 leftist rebel group-turned-political party have taken 11 people hostage in western Colombia, police said Sunday.

Police said the four entered a bar in the city of Pereira, tied up 12 clients and began drilling holes in walls adjacent to a jewelry store.

One of the 12, an elderly man, was later freed.

The group professed to be members of the Jaime Bateman group, named after one of the founders of the M-19 rebel group which in March laid down its arms and, together with other political groups, formed the M-19 Democratic Alliance political party.

But party spokespersons denied that the four were dissident mebers of the former guerrilla group, while Pereira city mayor Cesar Castillo described the gang as "common criminals".

The police surrounded the bar and exchanged fire with the would-be thieves but it was not immediately known if there were casualties.

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#90294u0065 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (OCT. 21) UPI - Doctors, nurses, and paramedics at the Cotton Bowl treated between 50 and 75 people who collapsed from heat exhaustion while waiting in Dallas' Cotton Bowl for a rock concert by the group Z-Z Top Saturday night.

More than 70,000 people crammed into the stadium on the grounds of the State Fair of Texas, without food or water, for up to seven hours before the concert.

Security guards had to pull the victims of heat exhaustion and dehyration from the crowd to safety.

There was pain on Rebecca Guerrero's face as she vowed not to give up her place on the front row on the stadium floor .

''We came here to see Z-Z Top,'' Guerrero said. ''I'll perk up when they start playing.''

Fifteen minutes later, Guerrero gave up and came out of the crowd.

Organizers had no water to spray on the crowd as they do at many rock concerts. A public relations spokesman said that was because the weather forecast had indicated it would be cool.

The afternoon temperature was in the low 80s under brilliant Texas sunshine, attracting thousands of fun-seekers to the State Fair on its closing weekend.

About a dozen concert-goers were taken to area hospitals for treatment. Others were treated at four aid stations in the stadium.

Shortly before the show began about 9 p.m., security guards began stopping people from coming out of the crowd, and even pushed one man's limp body back into the crowd.

''We got told not to,'' said one concert guard.

One man landed at the foot of the stage and collapsed.

The concert was the highlight of the final weekend of the state fair's 24-day run. The fair closes Sunday.

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#90294u0077 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 21) UPI - Thousands of peace activists opposed to America's deployment of troops in the Middle East marched and chanted anti-war slogans Saturday in 19 cities around the country in demonstrations that harked back to the days of the Vietnam War.

New York was the site of the largest demonstration with an estimated 5,000 protesters taking to the streets.

The activists jammed Manhattan's Columbus Circle for a rally then marched down Broadway to Times Square behind seven young conscientious objectors.

The event was one of 19 similar protests held Saturday in various U.S. cities, including Los Angeles; San Francisco; Seattle; Atlanta; Tucson, Ariz.; and Madison, Wis.

The New York demonstrators, a peaceful if theatrical assortment of the young

and old, chanted anti-war slogans such as ''Hell No - We Won't Kill for Texaco '' and carried signs with acerbic slogans including, ''George Bush and Mag the Hag Will Put Your Kid In A Bag.''

A long line-up of speakers stepped up to a microphone on a flatbed truck to denounce the Bush Administration's commitment of troops to Saudi Arabia, rail against oil companies profitting from Gulf holdings, and decry diminishing federal funds for social works.

Several speakers invoked the non-violent legacy of the numerous anti- Vietnam War rallies held around the country in the late 1960s and early 1970s and some were veterans of that earlier movement.

''It's an honor to be here today representing the young people making up the country's newest anti-war movement,'' Manhattan civil libertarian lawyer Ronald Kuby thundered to the crowd ''No, they (the young people) won't kill for oil companies and no, they won't die for the bond market''

Kuby vowed that he and his law partner, attorney William Kunstler, would represent any reservists who wish to become conscientuous objectors.

Nearly 500 activists gathered in Los Angeles, carrying placards with slogans such as, ''No blood for oil'' and chanting ''Money for jobs, not for war.''

Among the more well-known speakers in Los Angeles was Ron Kovic, the Vietnam War veteran whose personal transformation from soldier to vehement anti-war protester inspired the 1989 film ''Born on the Fourth of July.''

''I want you to know you are part of a massive peace movement,'' Kovic told the crowd in one of the afternoon's more rousing speeches.

Kovic told reporters later it is his opinion that unless the military pulls out of the Middle East ''many people are going to be wounded and killed.''

''We are asking young men and women to die for big business (oil companies),'' he added.

''We don't want another Vietnam,'' he said. ''We don't want anymore body bags.''

Nancy Tuttle, the mother of a 19-year-old soldier stationed in Saudi Arabia, spoke publicly for the first time in her life before the crowd of about 500, reading excerpts from letters sent by her son, David.

'''We are the American hostages that no one talks about,''' Tuttle quoted from one of her son's letter.

About 500 banner-waving demonstrators marched through downtown Seattle. A

similar anti-war demonstration in Olympia attracted about 200 people.

In Seattle, protesters carried signs with slogans such as ''No blood for oil '' ''Bring the troops home,'' and ''Stop King George's War.'' Greg Castilla said he showed up because ''the lives of American servicemen are too precious to sacrifice on the alter of global capital.''

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#90294u0121 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

OAKLAND, CA (OCT. 21) UPI - Any effective machine continues to thrive with replacement parts. With that in mind, the Cincinnati Reds showed Saturday night they are worthy successor to the Big Red Machine.

Outfielders Eric Davis and Billy Hatcher left Game 4 of the World Series with first-inning injuries, and the Reds did sputter a bit. But Jose Rijo kept Cincinnati close, and a two-run rally in the eighth produced a 2-1 victory that culminated an astonishing sweep of the Oakland Athletics.

''We've overcome obstacles all year,'' third baseman Chris Sabo said. ''We have no MVP or Cy Young. We're a team. Everyone's done their job. We've won without guys all year.''

Herm Winningham and Glenn Braggs, the replacements for the injured outfielders played vital roles in the eighth as the Reds won their first Series title since the days of the original Big Red Machine in 1976.

Barry Larkin opened with a single off starter Dave Stewart and Winningham, trying to sacrifice, beat out a bunt. Paul O'Neill also bunted and was safe when first-base umpire Randy Marsh ruled Stewart's throw had pulled Willie Randolph off the bag at first. Replays seemed to indicate otherwise.

Braggs then bounced into a force play at second as Larkin scored to tie it. Hal Morris, who grounded into an inning-ending double play in the sixth with the bases loaded, then lifted a sacrifice fly to send home Winningham with the go-ahead run.

Rijo, who pitched seven shutout innings to win Game 1, was masterful after allowing a double to Willie McGee and an RBI single to Carney Lansford in the first. Those were the only hits he would allow.

The Series Most Valuable Player did not permit a baserunner after Rickey Henderson walked with two out in the second. He retired the final 20 batters he faced.

''My slider was really working, and I kept throwing sliders until they proved to me they could hit it,'' said Rijo, who struck out nine. ''They couldn't.''

After Rijo fanned Dave Henderson to open the ninth, Randy Myers relieved and got pinch-hitter Jose Canseco - who was benched before the game in a lineup shakeup - on a slow roller to third.

Lansford then fouled out to first baseman Todd Benzinger for the final out, triggering a Cincinnati celebration.

Davis suffered bruised ribs and possible kidney damage when he landed on his right side diving for McGee's double. Hatcher, who went 9 for 12 in the Series also left with a severe bruise after being hit in the left hand with a Stewart pitch in the top of the inning.

Both players remained in the game briefly after being hurt, but soon were taken to Merritt Hospital for X-rays and evaluation.

Cincinnati Manager Lou Piniella said Davis would not have been able to play again in the Series. Hatcher's X-rays were negative, but it was uncertain if he would have been able to suit up again.

Asked what he thought after seeing his two outfielders go down, Piniella said: ''I thought I was going to activate myself before the game was over.''

Stewart allowed just seven hits but lost to Rijo for the second time in the Series.

The sweep established Oakland as one of history's great underachievers. Over the last three seasons, the A's have won a big- league best 306 games and three pennants, yet have only one Series title to show for it.

Oakland, which lost to the Dodgers in five games in 1988 and dominated San Francisco last year, is the first team to sweep the Series one year and get swept the next.

History will show the A's deserve straight F's for their performance against Cincinnati. They scored just eight runs, none after the fourth inning in any game, and were 3 for 27 with runners in scoring position. Their four straight losses matched their longest losing streak all year.

The Reds, who have won their last nine Series games beginning with Game 7 in 1975, had the bases loaded in the sixth with one out, but Stewart got Morris to bounce into a 4-6-3 double play.

In the seventh, Sabo led off with a double off the left-center field wall - the ball struck inches short of clearing the fence - for his third straight hit of the game and eighth in his last 10 at-bats.

Sabo moved to third on Benzinger's groundout, but Stewart was sturdy once more fanning Joe Oliver and getting Mariano Duncan on a fly to center.

Oakland took a 1-0 lead in the first. After Davis failed to hold on to McGee's one-out double, Harold Baines was walked intentionally and Lansford followed with his two-out RBI single up the middle.

La Russa shuffled his lineup before the game, replacing slumping starters Canseco and Terry Steinbach with right fielder McGee and catcher Jamie Quirk. In the end, it didn't help.

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#90294u0150 10/21/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 21) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	6	3	0	12	36	25
Philadelphia	6	2	0	12	35	24
New Jersey	5	3	1	11	30	31
Washington	4	5	0	8	28	30
Pittsburgh	3	4	1	7	32	33
NY Islanders	2	5	0	4	19	24

Adams Division

Hartford	4	3	2	10	28	28
Quebec	3	3	3	9	32	35
Montreal	4	4	1	9	28	33
Boston	4	4	1	9	27	35
Buffalo	1	4	3	5	27	30

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	5	4	0	10	27	23
Detroit	4	3	2	10	33	35
St. Louis	4	3	1	9	21	25
Minnesota	1	5	2	4	19	30
Toronto	1	6	1	3	19	33

Smythe Division

Los Angeles	6	1	1	13	39	20
Calgary	5	3	0	10	33	23
Vancouver	4	3	0	8	27	24
Edmonton	2	2	2	6	25	21
Winnipeg	2	6	1	5	30	33

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#90294u0156 10/21/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 21) UPI - President Bush says he'll start the new week Monday by vetoing major civil rights legislation... unless Congress accepts his revisions. Bush sent his own plan to Capitol Hill Saturday night, saying it fixes what he calls ''critical defects'' in the congressional bill that Bush says would lead to hiring quotas.

House Speaker Thomas Foley says he does NOT think a House deficit- reduction bill will survive negotiations on Capitol Hill ''intact.'' The Washington lawmaker says he believes the final bill will incorporate both the House and Senate versions. A stop-gap measure keeping the government funded expires Wednesday.

Canada is the latest nation to succumb to Iraqi pressure in Kuwait. The Canadian government pulled its diplomats out of occupied Kuwait Saturday, saying the embassy has run out of food. The U-S embassy is one of a handful of foreign compounds that remain open in Kuwait in defiance of Iraqi orders to close.

Doctors, nurses and paramedics were busy Saturday night at the Dallas Cotton Bowl. Officials say between 50 and 75 people were treated after collapsing from heat exhaustion while waiting for a concert by the rock group Z-Z Top. More than 70-thousand people waited as long as seven hours without water.

Officials in Sierra Leone are worried that a cholera outbreak might be imminent in the capital of Freetown... with Saturday's arrival of hundreds of refugees from strife-torn Liberia. Those fleeing Liberia's civil war said 25 people died during the long boat ride from Monrovia.

Firefighters from six communities were sent to the scene of a fire in Dover, New Hampshire... but rescuers were NOT able to save three children who died in the flames. Officials suspect a cigarette left in the first-floor kitchen started the blaze that also injured four adults and another child.

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#90294u0165 10/21/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 21) UPI - Canada became the latest nation to succumb to Iraqi pressure and pull its diplomats out of Kuwait, and a senior U.S. official warned that pro-Iraqi terrorists were planning attacks.

In another development, The Washington Post reported Sunday Iraqi military forces are beginning to learn how to operate sophisticated U.S. Hawk anti-aircraft missiles and radars that were captured in Kuwait.

The Post said the Iraqis had captured about 150 of the highly accurate missiles and that they could pose a substantial threat to U.S. and allied military aircraft.

A Bush administration official, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said highly disciplined terrorist teams have been brought to Baghdad and are preparing for action, possibly on Arab leaders friendly to the United States.

The senior official emphasized that President Bush and Secretary of State James Baker will hold Iraq responsible for any attack. In testimony last week on Capitol Hill, Baker said the use of military force by the United States against Iraq is likely if Americans are harmed or exposed to extreme danger.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said during a visit to France that he believed economic sanctions imposed by the United Nations following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait were beginning to have an effect as evidenced by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's decision Friday to ration gasoline.

''We also are hopeful that we will be able to achieve our objective peacefully '' he said in Paris.

Thousands of people marched through Paris Saturday to protest the prospect of war in the gulf in a rally sponsored by leftist parties.

Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency quoted Canadian External Affairs Minister Joe Clark as saying Canada would not officially close its embassy in Kuwait, but would withdraw all of its personnel.

The move Saturday leaves only a handful of foreign missions, including that of the United States, open in occupied Kuwait in defiance of Iraqi orders to relocate to Baghdad. Iraqi soldiers have surrounded the embassies and cut off their supplies of water and electricity.

Clark said the Canadian diplomats were leaving because they had run out of food.

MENA quoted informed sources Saturday as saying Kuwaiti resistance fighters freed 70 prisoners in Safwan on the Iraqi-Kuwaiti border during a fight last week.

The sources, who escaped to Amman, told the news agency that eight Kuwaiti fighters died in the clash and claimed 30 Iraqi soldiers were killed.

The Kuwaiti resistance has issued numerous reports about raids and attacks on Iraqi occupational forces that can not be confirmed, but they have sometimes backed their claims with photographs of smoldering Iraqi vehicles and dead soldiers.

The news agency said exiled Kuwaiti emir Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al- Sabah would travel to Paris to hold discussions with French President Francois Mitterrand, whose gulf peace proposal has been widely praised. The plan calls for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait followed by free elections, which the ruling al-Sabah family has opposed.

Sources told the news agency Mitterrand would seek to assure al-Sabah that the plan did not call for his ouster from power.

One member of the family, poet Saad al-Sabah, told reporters in Cairo that Iraqi authorities had told some family members they would be richly rewarded if they remained in Kuwait and accepted the ouster of Sheikh Jaber.

Saad al-Sabah said the family members refused the offer.

Former British Conservative Prime Minister Edward Heath arrived in Baghdad Saturday on a self-styled mission to persuade Iraq to free elderly and sick British hostages.

Some British lawmakers have criticized Heath, saying Saddam will use him for propaganda purposes. Iraqi authorities were quoted by MENA as saying Heath was a guest of Iraq, and not the British Embassy in Baghdad.

Saddam is holding hundreds of Western men hostage at key military and economic sites as insurance the Western forces in the gulf will not attack. Western hostages from several countries have been released in recent days - including four Germans Saturday - as so-called gestures of good will.

Germany and Italy sent messages to their nationals in Iraq Saturday pledging they were doing what they could to win their release.

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#90294u0187 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 21) UPI - WORLD SERIES BOX SCORE:

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Larkin ss	3	1	1	0	RHendrsn lf	3	0	0	0
Hatcher cf	0	0	0	0	McGee rf	4	1	1	0
Wnnnghm cf	3	1	2	0	DHendrsn cf	4	0	0	0
O'Neill rf	3	0	0	0	Baines dh	2	0	0	0
Davis lf	0	0	0	0	Canseco ph	1	0	0	0
Braggs lf	3	0	0	1	Lansford 3b	4	0	1	1
Morris dh	3	0	0	1	Quirk c	3	0	0	0
Sabo 3b	4	0	3	0	McGwire 1b	3	0	0	0
Benzinger 1b	4	0	0	0	Randolph 2b	3	0	0	0
Oliver c	4	0	1	0	Gallego ss	1	0	0	0

Duncan 2b	4	0	0	0	Hassey ph	1	0	0	0
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Cincinnati						
Rijo (W 2-0)	8 1-3	2	1	1	3	9
Myers (S 1)	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Oakland						
Stewart (L 0-2)	9	7	2	1	2	2

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#90294u0207 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (OCT. 21) UPI - Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad joined voters throughout Malaysia Sunday casting ballots in the country's eighth general election, with Mahathir battling an opposition alliance for political supremacy.

After 10 days of campaigning, the 65-year-old Mahathir seeking a third, five-year term said he is hopeful of retaining a two-thirds majority in Parliament despite the unexpected defection of the major Christian party from his camp.

''We have made the assessment,'' Mahathir said. ''God willing, it will happen.''

Polling was confined Saturday to the remote eastern states of Sabah and Sarawak and spread to the rest of the nation Sunday, where an electorate of 8 million withstood light rain and long lines to vote for candidates vying over 180 parliamentary seats and 351 seats in 11 state assemblies.

Election commission officials expected the first results to be available at 8:30 p.m. as a result of a new system enabling the votes to be counted faster than in the past.

Mahathir, challenged by opposition candidate Sudin Wahab for the Kubang Pasu parliamentary seat, was considered a certain victor based on the country's bouyant economic growth and relatively low inflation. With Malaysia regarded as the latest newly industrialized country in Asia, analysts expected a Mahathir victory.

But the defection last week of the Parti Bersatu Sabah (PBS) from Mahathir's National Front coalition government to the opposition Spirit of '46 left him nervous over the possibility of losing his two-thirds parliamentary majin.

''There will be no problem if we are returned with a big majority,'' Mahathir said. ''If we win with a majority of one or two seats, surely it will be difficult.''

Mahathir's United Malays National Organization (UMNO), the dominant party in the Moslem country, is fielding 86 out of the 412 parliamentary candidates. Of the six opposition parties which have formed a pact against Mahathir, the Spirit of '46 has 61 members contenting parliamentary races.

Fifty percent of the electorate are Malays, 33 percent Chinese, 10 percent Indian and the remainder consist of other ethnic groups.

In rural areas, makeshift voting booths were constructed in schools, community halls coconut processing centers and sheds while helicopters and more than 1,000 boats ferried farmers, livestock breeders, housewives, hunters and fishermen without any other transportation.

The major parties in urban areas had extra cars available to transport voters to polling centers.

It was the first time since Malaysia gained independence from Britain in 1957 that an alliance of opposition parties has been formed to challenge the National Front.

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#90294u0241 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (OCT. 21) UPI - Aftershocks again rocked a remote area of western China Sunday, where at least one person died and large numbers of homes collapsed in a strong earthquake, officials and news reports said.

The quake measuring 6.2 on the Richter scale rumbled through the center of Gansu Province on Saturday afternoon, followed by a strong aftershock measuring 5.1 on the Richter and several moderate aftershocks.

The State Seismological Bureau in Beijing reported one person had been killed and at least two injured. But the toll was expected to rise as reports came in

from the hilly, sparsely populated region 75 miles north of the provincial capital, Lanzhou.

Officials said aftershocks continued, with a total of six measuring above a magnitude of 3 on the Richter scale recorded by Sunday morning in the worst affected area, a Tibetan ethnic region around the county towns of Tianzhu, Jingtai and Gulang.

The official Xinhua news agency reported 30 percent of the dwellings at the epicenter had collapsed.

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#90294u0246 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon (OCT. 21) UPI - Gunmen Sunday burst into the residence of a staunch supporter of ousted Christian Gen. Michel Aoun and fatally shot him along with his wife and one of his two sons, officials said.

''Gunmen broke into the house of Dany Chamoun at 6:30 a.m. and shot him dead along with his wife and son,'' Marwan Hamadeh, a former Druze Moslem Minister, told United Press International.

Witnesses, who requested anonymity, said the unidentified gunmen opened fire on Chamoun after they knocked on the door of his fifth floor apartment as he appeared in his pajamas.

Chamoun, son of former Christian Maronite President Camille Chamoun, supported Aoun in a ''war of liberation'' against the Syrians last year and recent military campaign against the Christian Lebanese Forces militia of Samir Geagea.

Police said Chamoun, 54, his wife Ingrid, in her late 40s, and 6- year-old son Tarek were instantly killed. His second son Jerome, 7, was badly injured and transported to Sacre Coeur Hospital in east Beirut.

Lebanese troops loyal to Syrian-backed army commander Gen. Emile Lahoud cordoned off Dany's residence in the Syrian-policed Christian district of Baabda, east of Beirut, witnesses said.

The witnesses said the soldiers barred journalists from approaching the multi-storey building where Chamoun's family lived.

''I think this incident is designed to stir trouble and inter- communal discords,'' Hamadeh said in a telephone interview.

The killing came amid reports that Syrian forces had executed scores of Aoun's soldiers after the Christian strongman gave up last week.

The Frensh newspaper Le Monde in a report published Saturday said Syrian troops killed 14 civilians in the Christian village of Bsouss, 7 miles east of Beirut. The report could not be confirmed independently.

Aoun's two-year rebellion against the government of President Elias Hrawi ended last week when Syrian troops joined Lebanese forces to oust him from the presidential palace at Baabda.

Aoun has been holed up since then in the French embassy awaiting a decision on whether he will be allowed to leave the country.

Chamoun's father, who was president in 1958, called for U.S. military intervention that year during a conflict with the Moslem camp that was backed by the late Egyptian President Jamal Abdul Nasser.

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#90294u0250 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (OCT. 21) UPI - Security forces seized control of a separatist Tamil rebel stronghold in northern Sri Lanka following an eight-hour battle that left 20 guerrillas and three soldiers dead, a senior government official said Sunday.

The official said the encounter occurred Saturday on the northern Jaffna peninsula at the town of Mavaddipuram, which had been a base for the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam in their war against the governemnt.

The Tigers used Mavaddipuram as a staging area for repeated attacks on the nearby Kankesanthurai military garrison, the official said.

The clash between security forces and Tiger rebels lasted for eight hours Saturday and 20 rebels died in the fighting, the official said.

''There was heavy enemy resistance,'' the official said. ''However, we were able to overcome it. Three soldiers were killed and 15 received minor injuries.''

Security forces also destroyed a fleet of rebel vehicles during the battle, the official said.

No further details were immediately available.

Security forces have been conducting operations to establish greater military influence in the peninsula, which is largely controlled by the Tigers.

Fighting between security forces and the Tamil Tigers erupted in mid- June after rebels staged four simultaneous attacks on military bases in eastern Sri Lanka.

Since then, more than 2,600 soldiers, rebels and civilians have been killed in the fighting.

Tiger rebels are fighting to establish an independent Tamil homeland in the northern and eastern provinces.

They believe that Sri Lanka's minority Tamils, who are mostly Hindu, need a separate nation because of years of alleged discrimination by the predominantly-Buddhist Sinhalese, who control the Colombo government.

Sri Lanka battled a number of Tamil militant groups from 1983 until 1987 when Colombo tried to end the violence by signing a peace accord with New Delhi.

Under the terms of the agreement, India sent thousands of peace- keeping troops to Sri Lanka to maintain law and order and to supervise the surrender of weapons by militant groups who agreed to lay down their arms in exchange for greater autonomy in Tamil areas.

Only the Tamil Tigers refused to participate in the process and the development led to war between the rebel group and the Indian army.

India failed to defeat the Tigers and earlier this year withdrew the last of its forces, leaving behind a fragile peace between the rebels and the Sri Lankan government.

Diplomatic observers said they believed the Tigers and the government would settle their differences without resorting to violence, but the peace was shattered in June when the rebels attacked the military camps.

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#90294u0251 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 21) UPI - A mental patient swinging a fruit knife assaulted and inflicted serious injuries to a former labor minister at a military base in western Japan Sunday, police said.

Hyosuke Niwa, 78, was attacked by a 47-year-old mental patient while attending a ceremony marking the founding of the Moriyama garrison base of the Ground Self-Defense Force in Nagoya, about 175 miles southwest of Tokyo, police said.

They said Niwa, a member of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, was stabbed in the neck and taken to a nearby hospital. He was reported to be in a coma.

''The 47-year-old assailant was arrested on the spot and is under questioning '' said a spokesman for the Aichi Prefectural (state) Police Headquarters in Nagoya, about 175 miles southwest of Tokyo.

''He (Niwa) suffered two wounds about 3 inches deep in the back side of his neck and below the right jaw. He remains in a coma,'' said Sadahiro Yamamoto, head of the Aichi University hospital.

Yamamoto said Niwa's heart stopped beating temporarily after he was taken to the hospital, and emergency operation to rejoin a severed artery was performed.

The assailant, who police said has been hospitalized for a mental disease, was arrested on the spot and detained on charges of attempted murder, police said.

The attacker's name was withheld on grounds he is a mental patient.

Niwa, a native of Aichi Prefecture (state), is a close associate of Prime Minister Kaifu. Both Niwa and Kaifu belong to the same intra-party faction and are elected to the lower house of parliament from Aichi Prefecture.

Niwa was first elected in 1955 and has since been returned to the chamber 12 times. He served as labor minister under former Prime Minister Noboru Takeshita in 1988.

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#90294u0254 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (OCT. 21) UPI - A West Bank Arab armed with a bayonet stabbed to death three Israelis in a quiet Jewish neighborhood Sunday in the worst attack on Jews in Jerusalem since the start of the nearly 3-year-old Palestinian uprising, police said.

A suspect was in custody. Army Radio reported he was a religious Moslem intent on revenging the killings of at least 20 Arabs during riots on the Temple Mount nearly two weeks ago. The suspect, whose name was not made public, was employed as a construction worker in the Baka area, police said.

Authorities called for restraint and immediately reinforced patrols in Jerusalem to prevent revenge attacks on Arabs. Police arrested an Israeli carrying a Molotov cocktail and dispersed crowds of Jewish youths who gathered on a main road used by Palestinians from the occupied West Bank.

The attack occurred nearly two weeks after aat least 20 Arabs were killed by police during riots on the Temple Mount, fueling speculation that the stabbings were motivated by revenge.

Witnesses said the Arab suspect, a 19-year-old from Ubeidiya village, carried a bayonet from a Kalashnikov rifle and shouted ''God is great'' and ''Kill the Jews'' in Arabic as he pursued his victims in the affluent, middle-class Baka neighborhood.

The assailant first stabbed an 18-year-old female soldier as she returned from

a neighborhood grocery store at about 6:45 a.m. He then ran to an adjoining street where he stabbed the 13-year-old and killed a 43-year-old civilian man, Jerusalem Police Chief Aryeh Bibi told a news conference.

''At about 7 o'clock an Arab come in front of my house. He knifed a girl. He shouted 'God is great, God is great' and then ran away,'' David Ben Shimon, a Baka resident, told Army Radio.

A 28-year-old cadet from a police anti-terrorism unit who lived in the area heard the cries, ran after the suspect and first tried to talk with him.

''The officer shot in the air several times while the Arab ran toward him shouting 'God is great,''' Bibi said. The suspect was shot in both legs, but managed to stab the cadet and kill him.

Ben Shimon told the radio he and others overpowered and disarmed the Arab. Police arrived a short time later.

Crowds of Jews, chanting ''death to Arabs,'' quickly gathered in the area and tried to set ablaze the car of an Arab they believed was trying to run them down, Israel Radio reported. They poured gasoline on the car, but police stopped them from lighting it.

Police immediately escorted Arab workers out of the area to prevent revenge attacks on them.

Bibi told Army Radio police patrols had been increased to prevent a repetition of attacks by Israelis on Arabs that occurred after two Israeli youths were found murdered in August.

''I call upon all citizens to behave with restraint and to let the police do their job,'' he said.

Politicians across the political spectrum condemned the attack, with several right-wing parties calling for tougher measures against Palestinians. The Tzomet Party called on the security forces to stop using ''a velvet glove'' against Arabs.

''We have to shoot in order to kill,'' the right-wing party said in a statement.

The right-wing National Religious Party charged the killings were a challenge to the existence of Israel.

''The murders in Jerusalem teach us that the struggle is not about this or that territory, but about the sovereignty of Israel as the state of the Jews '' NRP said.

Amnon Rubenstein of the center-left Shinui Party called on Israeli and Palestinian leaders to condemn the killings and prevent the circle of bloodshed from continuing.

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#90294u0258 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 21) UPI - About 23,000 leftists and pacifists demonstrated peacefully outside the U.S. Forces Japan headquarters near Tokyo Sunday, protesting the government's plan to dispatch Japanese troops to assist U.S.-led multinational forces in the Middle East, organizers said.

''We must oppose this effort to send the Self-Defense Force overseas under the attractive name of peace,'' Takako Doi, chairwoman of Japan's major opposition Socialist Party, told the protesters.

She urged the participants to join forces to ''crush the law'' up for debate in the Diet, Japan's parliament.

The demonstrators joined hands to form a human chain enclosing the U.S. military headquarters in Fussa on the western outskirts of Tokyo.

Police said the demonstration was peaceful and there were no arrests.

The organizers said similar demonstrations were held in Tokyo and other parts of the nation.

The demonstration outside the U.S. facility was part of a nationwide program organizated by opposition political parties and pacifist groups to oppose the bill introduced by the government of Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu.

''Bonds of trust with other nations cannot be forged if Japan simply stands idly,'' Kaifu told a parliamentary session. ''It is crucial that Japan be able to cooperate effectively ... in terms of personnel and material.''

Japan has pledged a total of $4 billion to assist U.S. peace-keeping efforts and help countries in the Middle East suffering from U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq.

In Tokyo, about 15,000 people attended a rally and adopted a resolution, denouncing Iraqi aggression and annexation of neighboring Kuwait, opposing the dispatch of Japanese troops overseas and calling for the abolition of the U.S.-Japan security treaty.

Kaifu's ruling Liberal Democratic Party holds a commanding majority in the powerful lower house of the Diet but opposition parties dominate the upper house.

The bill has to be cleared by both chambers for its enactment.

Recent newspaper polls showed that nearly half of the Japanese people are opposed to the government's bill.

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#90294u0261 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK (OCT. 21) UPI - Khmer Rouge guerrillas derailed a train with mines and attacked passengers with shotguns, killing 50 people, official Phnom Penh radio reported.

The radio, in a broadcast Saturday night, said the attack and similar guerrilla actions around the country showed that the Khmer Rouge were only pretending to seek peace.

''On Oct. 17 a group of Polpotists (followers of Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot) attacked a convoy of trains with land mines and shotguns in an area 15 kilometers (9 miles) east of Prey Nop district in Kompong Som, derailing the train and causing the death of 50 people,'' the radio said.

The attack occurred on the rail line between Kompong Som, the country's only deep water port, and Phnom Penh, about 100 miles south of the capital.

It was the second time that rail line - the main route for military and civilian supplies from the port - had been attacked in the past three months.

Resistance officers have said they are focusing on cutting off Soviet supplies of munitions to the Vietnamese-installed government and cutting transport routes to the outlying provinces.

''This is the cruel and barbarous nature of the gang stained with the people's blood, which has attempted to resolve the Cambodian problem via military means '' the radio said.

''This is also clear evidence that the traitorous Pol Pot gang has no goodwill to settle the Cambodian problem in the least,'' it said.

Both the resistance and the Phnom Penh government have said they accepted in principle the peace framework outlined by the United Nations but they have differed sharply over the details of implementing the peace plan.

The radio called on the United Nations and the five permanent members of the Security Council to take preventive measures against the Khmer Rouge, the most powerful of the three groups in the U.N.-recognized resistance coalition.

The Khmer Rouge government, blamed for the deaths of more than 1 million people during its 1975-1979 rule, was ousted by a Vietnamese invasion which

put the current government in power.

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#90294u0264 10/21/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 21) UPI - Around the world, around the clock, the latest news from U-P-I...

Taxes remain the troublesome issue as negotiators try to hammer out a deficit-cutting agreement in Washington. Congressional leaders and White House officials are trying to blend elements of House and Senate versions before the government once again runs out of money. A stop-gap measure expires Wednesday.

Thousands of peace activists rallied in 19 cities around the nation Saturday. Protesters marched and chanted anti-war slogans in cities that included New York, San Francisco, Atlanta and Madison Wisconsin. Ron Kovic- the man who inspired the movie ''Born on the Fourth of July'' spoke in Los Angeles.

New York City detectives are looking into what are described as ''an awful lot of similarities'' between the death of a 10-year-old girl and three other people, two of them children. Jessica Guzman is the most recent child found dead in the Bronx in an area where two other children were also found slain.

Hollywood has lost one of its classic Western stars. Actor Joel McCrea died Saturday in Los Angeles of pulmonary complications at 84. McCrea did NOT just play a cowboy on the screen, it was also one of his favorite real life roles. McCrea was elected to the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City.

Police in Tokyo say a former labor minister is hospitalized in serious condition after an attacked by a mental patient swinging a fruit knife. Officials say the patient assaulted the former government official during a ceremony at a military base in Western Japan.

A newspaper poll says people in northern New Jersey are less inclined these days to cross the Hudson River for a visit to New York City. Nearly half the adults who answered the survey said they fear becoming a crime statistic. The respondents also citied New York traffic and high prices as reasons to stay home.

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#90294u0330 10/21/1990 ~United Press International
SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 21) UPI - The Communist Party U.S.A., a Marxist stepchild whose parents moved without leaving a forwarding address, is becoming more like the dispossesed and homeless it claims to represent.

Increasingly alone as wayward uncles in Hungary, Romania, and finally Soviet Russia itself stray from the house of ideology built by Lenin and Marx, the

CPUSA finds itself struggling to identify goals for today's communist.

''We have grown. We're not a hidebound thing,'' spokesman Jim West said from CPUSA headquarters in New York City. ''We have evolved. We have matured. We believe in a democratic human socialism.''

But Richard Starr, editor of the Yearbook on International Communist Affairs, contended that the party is shrinking. U.S. communists are confused by the reform movement sweeping the Soviet Union toward a capitalist society. The overall collapse of communism in Eastern Europe and the recent bloody events in China and Romania leave them aghast.

''In the United States, it seems to me that what's going on is that they are shriveling, so to speak,'' said Starr, who edits the yearbook for the Hoover Institution, a Stanford University think-tank specializing in global politics.

The governmental collapses in Eastern Europe and the flagging economic outlook of communist Third World nations have some political experts singing the death song for the communist system of government.

But CPUSA members disagree.

''I think ... pronouncement of the death of communism is long before it's true '' said Kendra Alexander, chairperson of the Communist Party in northern California. ''My personal opinion is that this drama is far from over.''

''There's no question,'' Alexander adds, that events in Eastern Europe have had a ''tremendous imppcc yngwfxx. ynppfxx. ynxhfxx. ynpwfxx. m. to naa r abc-communists:1215ped sked 20-21

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(OCT. 21) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Auto Racing

Monterey, Calif. - CART Champion Spark Plug 300

Rockingham, N.C. - AC-Delco 500

Suzuka, Japan - Japanese Formula One Grand Prix

Football

Dallas at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.

Denver at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.

New Orleans at Houston, 1 p.m.

NY Jets at Buffalo, 1 p.m.

Philadelphia at Washington, 1 p.m.

Atlanta at LA Rams, 4 p.m.
Kansas City at Seattle, 4 p.m.
Phoenix at NY Giants, 4 p.m.
Pittsburgh at San Francisco, 4 p.m.
LA Raiders at San Diego, 4 p.m.

Golf
Napa, Calif. - $500,000 Transamerica Senior Championship

Hockey
Vancouver at Quebec, 2:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.
Calgary at Edmonton, 8:05 p.m.

Tennis
Filderstadt, Germany - $350,000 women's Porsche Grand Prix
Hong Kong - $640,000 Marlboro Championships
Vienna - $250,000 CA Trophy tournament

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#90294u0367 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

ALIQUIPPA, PA (OCT. 21) UPI - Five years ago, Wieland Mueller cried when he saw pictures his mother had recently taken of his boyhood home in Strehla-Elbe Germany.

''I cried because it's almost like I remember it,'' Mueller said, not having seen the home since the Russian army confiscated the mansion home in the 1940s when he was but 9 years old.

Mueller, 54, an engineer for National Cash Register in Hopewell Township, is hoping a program offered by a reunified Germany will somehow compensate him for his loss. He is asking for compensation under a program for former East Germans who lost real estate and ther personal property because of Nazi discrimination in 1933 and until the Communist takeover in 1949.

''It would be nice to be reimbursed,'' Mueller said recently, ''but I don't put too much hope in it.''

Mueller left West Germany in 1962 and hasn't been to Strehla-Elbe since 1947. His family lived in the mansion that had been handed down through the family of his mother.

But the family was forced to flee to Bavaria in May 1945 when the Russian army took over the home as its headquarters as it advanced into southern Germany. Mueller's father, the regional welfare secretary for the Nazi Party, was taken as a prisoner of war.

The family, minus the father, returned to Strehla-Elbe briefly in 1947 but soon went back to Bavaria, Mueller said.

''We were ostracized. My father was a high-ranking Nazi.''

Mueller eventually got a mechanic's apprenticeship with NCR in Augsburg at age 16, later earned an engineering degree and transferred to NCR's Dayton, Ohio, office in 1962.

Mueller says he is not planning his future around a windfall from his former homestead, which now is used as a kindergarten.

''If there is any claim, we will not displace anyone who is there now,'' he said. ''I thought until very recently (the home) was gone forever. It would be a bonus if we were reimbursed, an unexpected thing.''

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#90294u0368 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (OCT. 21) UPI - Imprisoned Panamanian Gen. Manuel Noriega is awaiting trial in a three-room ''dictator's suite'' furnished with a color TV, an exercise bike, a private shower, an IBM computer and a paper shredder.

A Sunday report in The Miami Herald said Noriega's suite at the Metropolitan Correctional Center also has a telephone, an executive's desk, a conference table, six chairs and two safes with alarm systems.

In the evening, while the other 1,232 prisoners are locked in their cells, guards accompany Noriega on a stroll of the prison grounds, walking among the ficus trees on a lakeside pathway. Sometimes hecklers peek out and shout, ''Sissy.''

''Tennis at 11, tea at 3,'' Noriega joked one day to defense attorney Jon May.

Noriega, awaiting a 1991 trial on cocaine charges, leads a comfortable but isolated life in the suburban prison 24 miles southwest of Miami, his lawyers said.

''The general doesn't complain about anything,'' said May.

Noriega, Inmate No. 41586, has a cell-bedroom, a conference room and an office. Defense attroney Richard Sharpstein, who represents a co- defendant, dubbed it the ''Dictator's Suite.''

Frank Rubino, another of Noriega's attorneys, said the office equipment is used by the lawyers to help prepare Noriega's defense.

''He's entitled to it because of his confinement. The general couldn't come to

my office,'' Rubino said.

But Noriega can't open the safes, which contain secret documents, because he doesn't have the combination, Rubino said.

Noriega is allowed to roam freely around the cell, but he is monitored by a closed-circuit camera and his phone calls are also monitored.

He has a window, but no view. The government erected a brick wall 3 inches in front of his window for security.

The United States government will not discuss the price tag for the deposed dictator's security. Nor will government officials discuss the price for his English-lesson tapes, his underwear, or his freeze-dried coffee, all of which the government supplies. Noriega buys his own Oreo cookies at the commissary, for $2.20 a package, the newspaper said.

U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler has declared Noriega a prisoner of war. As such, Army Col. James Burger, a lawyer from the Judge Advocate General's office in Washington, visited Noriega and gave him an ID card and a copy of the Geneva Convention in Spanish.

Noriega told the colonel he had no real complaints about his prison treatment, except that his family cannot visit him.

His POW status entitles him to a monthly salary of 75 Swiss francs, or $59, paid by the U.S. government.

Noriega passes his time shooting basketball with jailers, watching his favorite soap opera on TV and responding to letters.

His correspondents have included eighth-grade pen pals at Suzanne Middle School in Walnut, Calif., the Syracuse Republican Club, and convicted Medellin Cartel kingpin Carlos Ledher Rivas, who is imprisoned in Marion, Ill.

Noriega also spends time reading newspapers, history books and the Bible in Spanish.

''The public's idea of a prison comes from Jimmy Cagney movies - tin cups clanging against bars, mean officers and lousy food,'' said Warden Stephen F. Pontesso. ''It's not that way at all.''

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#90294u0382 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

BERLIN (OCT. 21) UPI - A senior conservative deputy Sunday called for an investigation of the leader of the renamed Communist Party of former East Germany in connection with a $65 million payment to Moscow.

When police searched the Berlin offices of the Party of Democratic Socialism, the new name of the Communist Party, they found two documents showing that the party had recently transferred $65 million to Moscow academies for the training of functionaries.

The money was allegedly transferred to pay for fees of East German students taking classes at the Moscow ''University for the Friendship of People.''

In an interview with the daily Bild Zeitung to be published Monday, parliamentary Deputy Eduard Lintner, a leading conservative in Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union, called for an investigation of PDS leader Gregor Gysi in connection with the money transfer.

''It is intolerable that Gregor Gysi plays the clean intellectual while obscure figures in his party are responsible for questionable illegal money transfers,'' Lintner said.

PDS officials said the money had been paid to clear old debts of the formerly Stalinist party and denied that the money had been transferred through ''devious channels.''

The Friday raid on the PDS headquarters, conducted by 150 police in bullet-proof vests without a search warrant, drew sharp criticism from the PDS and other political parties.

''The search was absolutely illegal,'' said Gysi, who claimed his parliamentary immunity and that of deputy and former East German Prime Minister Hans Modrow had been violated when police searched their offices.

Gysi and Modrow are among 24 PDS deputies in the German Parliament.

But Berlin's Interior Minister Erich Paetzold said the search was warranted and that Gysi and Modrow's immunity had not been violated because police did not search their offices although they had entered them.

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ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (OCT. 21) UPI - Washington's decision to suspend aid to Islamabad has awakened nationalistic passions in Pakistan that opponents of Benazir Bhutto are directing against the ousted prime minister prior to Wednesday's elections.

The Islamic Democratic Alliance, a disparate coalition of anti-Bhutto parties, has accused Bhutto and leaders of her Pakistan People's Party of pandering to the United States while in office and of lobbying Washington to suspend aid to put pressure on the caretaker government.

Analysts and diplomats say the IDA strategy appears to be working and may have reduced some of the strong support the PPP has built up since Bhutto's ouster by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan.

''The sudden emergence of the U.S. link and Benazir's alleged role appears to have struck a chord,'' said a Western diplomat. ''Nationalism is something that people respond to.''

Most predictions say the PPP will emerge as the single largest party from Wednesday's elections but without an overall majority, and that the IDA will be able to cobble together a coalition government with the help of minor parties and independents.

''It will be much more difficult for the PPP to put together a coalition,'' said the diplomat. ''There is a feeling that the military will keep a PPP plurality in the National Assembly from taking power this time.''

However, most commentators say an IDA coalition government, founded largely on opposition to Bhutto, may not survive long and that the country could again be voting within a year.

Ishaq Khan sacked Bhutto's 20-month-old administration on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to maintain law and order, and dissolved the National Assembly. He appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi as interim prime minister until elections he set for Oct. 24.

Many believe the president's actions were inspired by the military, which has run Pakistan for more than half of its 43-year history and which had been in conflict with Bhutto's democratic government.

The president also set up Special Disqualification Courts to try Bhutto and members of her administration on corruption charges in what observers believe was a bid to bar her from the elections.

But analysts say the attempts to malign Bhutto and keep her from returning to power have instead evoked a wave of sympathy for the 37- year-old daughter of hanged prime minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto.

Bhutto has drawn large and emotional crowds at rallies across the country in an outpouring of support many observers say exceeds that of the campaign for the November 1988 elections. The PPP won those elections, the first democratic polls in the country since 1977.

But on Oct. 1, U.S. aid to Pakistan was suspended because President Bush was unable to certify to Congress that Islamabad was not developing nuclear weapons. Fifty-three U.S. senators also wrote to Bush warning that U.S-Pakistan relations could be affected if the elections were held without

Bhutto.

Islamic Pakistan is the third largest recipient of U.S. aid, after Israel and Egypt, and was expecting a $578 million package from Washington for 1991. But its strategic value to the United States has diminished sharply following last year's withdrawal of Soviet troops from neighboring Afghanistan.

The U.S. action provoked impassioned speeches and newspaper articles in Pakistan alleging American interference in the country's internal affairs.

''No self-respecting nation that has any claim to call iteself sovereign can accept another country's right to dictate to it on issues that lie squarely within the purview of domestic politics,'' wrote one political commentator.

Washington's action is ''a God-given opportunity for Pakistan to rid iteself of the shackles of external dictation,'' said an editorial in the English-language newspaper The Muslim.

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#90294u0417 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (OCT. 21) UPI - President Frederik de Klerk leaves Sunday on the first trip to the Netherlands by a South African head of government in 42 years of apartheid rule - an important reward by the estranged Dutch fatherland for his racial reform initiatives.

The 54-year-old de Klerk was expected to leave South Africa around midnight at the start of his eighth foreign tour since becoming president in September last year. He travels to Morocco on a similary unprecedented one-day visit before flying to Holland.

The South African leader and veteran Foreign Minister R.F. Pik Botha are likely to hold talks with King Hassan in Morocco Monday in what state-run radio described as De Klerk's first major attempt to improve ties with Arab countries.

When he lands at the Dutch military base Valkenburg in the south of the country Tuesday with his second generation Dutch wife, Marike, de Klerk will receive an official welcome that his spokesman acknowledged Sunday would be a psychological boost to many Afrikaners.

''From a South African point of view it does have psychological significance '' said spokesman Caspar Venter, recalling blood ties began way back in 1592 when Dutchman Jan van Riebeeck became the first white settler in South Africa.

''Holland was one of the European countries that was most vociferous in their criticism of South Africa and their denouncement of South African policies, and consequently I suppose one could say relations were rather cool,'' Venter

said.

De Klerk will address the Dutch Parliament and hold talks in the Hague with Prime Minister Ruud Lubbers that may focus on restoring a formal cultural relationship severed in 1976 during the Soweto riots.

Venter said a resumption of some cultural links was a possibibility but insisted de Klerk was visiting at the government's invitation and had no ''shopping list.''

He will also meet Queen Beatrix at her residence, Paleis Noordeinde, and time permitting during the three-day trip, de Klerk is expected to briefly visit the birthplace of his wife's grandparents in the province of Zeeland. He also will travel to Luxembourg before returning to South Africa.

Following the killings of scores of youths in the black township of Soweto in 1976 during protests against the forced inclusion of Dutch- descended Afrikaans as a language of instruction, formal cultural links established in 1952 were severed.

The Netherlands then became the first European nation to campaign vigorously for the abolition of apartheid. Businesses that maintained links, including Shell, became the target of often violent activist attacks.

The government has aligned itself with the European Community on sanctions against Pretoria and could play a decisive role in selective lifting of punitive measures when it assumes leadership of the EC next year.

Substantial changes in Dutch trade policy as a result of this week's visit are unlikely.

Since assuming office, de Klerk has brought the country's minority whites to the brink of negotiating a power-sharing deal with the black majority in a program that took off in February with the unbanning of the African National Congress and the release of Nelson Mandela from 27 years imprisonment.

Last week, in another step to remove obstacles standing in the way of formal negotiations, de Klerk lifted a 54-month-old state of emergency in the strife-torn province of Natal.

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(OCT. 21) UPI - President Aquino warned Philippine residents the nation faces a ''serious economic crisis.'' Aquino used her weekly radio talk show in Manila to appeal to Filipinos to understand that the nation's economic woes stem from the Persian Gulf crisis. Tomorrow trade and government unions plan a general strike to demand higher pay because of an average jump in oil prices

of 29 percent last month.

Hundreds of refugees fleeing civil war in the African nation of Liberia arrived in Sierra Leone on a Nigerian naval vessel, raising fears of a cholera outbreak. Refugees say that during the trip from Liberia's capital, 25 people died. Red Cross officials told U-P-I that most of the dead refugees and sick people on the ship suffered from cholera. Health officials say there is NO supply of vaccines if an outbreak occurs in Sierra Leone.

A former Japanese labor minister is in a coma after being stabbed by a mental patient at a military base in western Japan. Police say the 78- year-old former official was stabbed in the neck by a mental patient armed with a fruit knife. Police immediately arrested a suspect. The official was stabbed at a ceremony marking the founding of the military base, about 175 miles southwest of Tokyo.

Security police took control of a Tamil rebel stronghold in northern Sri Lanka after an eight-hour battle. A government official says 20 rebels and three soldiers died in yesterday's fighting. Security forces have been conducting raids to establish greater military influence in the northern Jaffa peninsula.

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#90294u0482 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

BERLIN (OCT. 21) UPI - Former hard-line Communist party officials have obtained key positions on committees designed to help rebuild the legal system in what used to be East Germany, a Berlin newspaper said Sunday.

In the wake of the Oct. 3 unification, 15 committees in five new eastern German states were established to purge the legal system of former Communists and select new judges and prosecutors.

But judges who once served under the hard-line Communist government led by Erich Honecker toppled last fall apparently received positions on the committees, the daily Berliner Morgenpost quoted government sources as saying.

''It's like making Dracula the head of a blood bank,'' said Hans- Juergen Grasemann, spokesman for a crime registration office in Salzgitter set up by the former West German government to document crimes committed by East German authorities.

Judges named to the committees were supposed to be investigated for past involvement with the Communist party and the now-disfunct state security police.

But federal authorities told the newspaper that they were surprised that more thorough background checks on applicants had not been conducted.

Each of the 15 committees is comprised of six state Parliament deputies and four judges. The 10-member committee has to approve a candidate for judge or prosecutor with a seven-vote majority.

Grasemann said the old-guard Communists on the committees could endanger the establishment of an impartial justice system in the new eastern part of the country.

''With their ''no'' (vote), the old (Communist party) judges will be able to block the appointment of candidates who were critical of the Communists in earlier times,'' Grasemann said.

The East German Communists, then called the Socialist Unity Party, had run East Germany along Stalinist lines for 40 years until Honecker was ousted Oct. 18, 1989.

The Communists adopted a pro-reform stance after the collapse of the hard-line Communist system in East Germany, and became an all-German party upon unification, but their role in the future of a united Germany is under close scrutiny.

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CAIRO, Egypt (OCT. 21) UPI - The pro-Iraqi terrorists suspected of gunning down Egypt's speaker of Parliament last week may have been aided by Moslem fundamentalists trained at special terrorism camps in Sudan, Egyptian media reported Sunday.

The Rose el-Youssef magazine, which has close connections in Sudan, said the fundamentalist Moslem Brotherhood's international organization had established three camps in the Moslem African country, which borders Egypt.

It said the camps train Egyptians, Algerians and Yemenis - at a rate of 1,800 every six weeks - in assassination techniques, street fighting and how to make explosives.

Parliamentary Speaker Rifaat El Mahgoub was killed along with five others when six assassins opened fire with machine guns on his motorcade last week in the center of Cairo.

Sources within the Interior Ministry say the well-trained killers were probably non-Egyptians working with the Abu Nidal terrorist network at the behest of Iraq, which has become Egypt's bitter enemy over the Persian Gulf crisis.

A senior administration official in Washington said Saturday that Palestinian terrorist groups, including Abu Nidal's, had been gathering in Iraq and that

Washington feared they were planning terrorist strikes against Arab leaders friendly to the United States.

Abu Nidal, whose real name is Sabri el Banah, is the world's most wanted terrorist. He is leader of al Fatah revolutionary council, a splinter group of Yasser Arafat's Fatah group within the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Rose el-Youssef magazine and the Saudi newspaper Sharq al-Awsat, or Middle East, said the pro-Iraqi terrorists suspected of killing el Mahgoub may have been aided by fundamentalists in Egypt who hated the Parliamentary speaker for his tough stand against opposition groups.

The news publications mentioned, but did not directly implicate, Sheikh Omar Abdul Rahman, a blind Egyptian preacher who is believed to spend more time now in Sudan. Abdul Rahman spent several years in jail after his Islamic Jihad group was found guilty of the 1981 assassination of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat.

''Who can exclude the liklihood that a cooperation between this fundamentalist organization and other terrorist organizations was established to carry out this crime (against el Mahgoub),'' Rose el- Youssef said.

The six killers easily escaped from the scene of the assassination on motorcycles and on foot and, although Egyptian authorities have arrested hundreds of men who look like composite sketches of the suspects, they have yet to charge anyone with the killing.

Moslem fundamentalists have been mostly sympathetic toward Iraq and critical of the U.S.-led force deployed to the gulf following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

El Mahgoub would have been an attractive target for the brotherhood, the news publications said, because he used his position as speaker of Parliament to surpress fundamentalist activities.

Both Egypt and Syria have been bitter critics of Iraq and have deployed troops in Saudi Arabia to serve along side Western forces.

El Mahgoub was the No. 2 man in the country after Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak as stipulated by the country's constitution.

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#90294u0525 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (OCT. 21) UPI - In the year since his wife's murder, Charles Stuart's name has come to rank with that of the Boston Strangler in the eyes of Bostonians and grief, anger and mystery from his case abound.

Stuart was first thought to be the victim of a heart-breaking crime. Less than 2 1/2 months later, after Stuart had killed himself by jumping off a bridge, he was reviled throughout the city and his case had inflamed racial relations and buried police and the media under a heap of criticism for their handling of it.

The most compelling questions that remain involve not only what spurred Stuart to kill his wife, Carol DiMaiti Stuart, but the level of involvement of his brother, Matthew, in the crime.

The lingering questions add to the torment of the DiMaiti family.

''I think the fact that the case is not resolved and they know nothing further at this point than they did months ago makes it particularly difficult for them to mark this anniversary of Carol's death,'' said family spokeswoman Janey Bishoff.

Many blacks also still feel scarred the case and on Tuesday will mark the one-year anniversary with a protest of police and media reaction.

On Oct. 23, 1989, Carol Stuart, 30, an attorney who was seven months' pregnant was shot in the head. Charles, a Boston furrier, said a black gunman forced his way into the couple's car after they left a birthing class at an inner-city hospital. He said the gunman forced them to drive to the Mission Hill neighborhood, where he robbed and shot them both.

As Carol was dying, Stuart called police from his car telephone. Appearing to fade in and out of consciousness because of his abdominal wound, he gave vague directions but rescue workers were able to track the car.

The case came to symbolize the plague of urban crime and it made headlines across the nation because of the dramatic audio tapes of the police dispatcher's efforts to coax more information from Stuart, video footage obtained by a television crew that happened to be filming in the area and a graphic photo of Carol with her head lolling and mouth agape.

Sympathy for Stuart poured in from across the nation. The story became more painful when the baby Carol was carrying - a boy who was christened Christopher - died 17 days after his delivery by Caesarian section. His father still recovering from his own wounds, was brought by ambulance to be with the dying infant.

The Stuarts were depicted as the perfect couple, living comfortably and happily in suburban Reading until tragedy struck. Boston Mayor Raymond Flynn ordered an all-out search for their attacker and media reports named William Bennett, a black man who had spent 13 years in prison, as the prime suspect.

Everything changed Jan. 4 when Charles Stuart plunged from a bridge into the

Mystic River. As divers recovered his body from the icy water, police revealed that he had become their prime suspect.

Stuart instantly turned from victim to villain, the most heinous in town since the Boston Strangler. Speculation about his motive ranged from rumors of romance with a blond former co-worker, who steadfastly denied any romantic involvement, to reports that Stuart did not want a baby, and finally to the theory that he killed his wife to cash in on insurance policies, possibly to finance his dream of becoming a famous restaurateur.

The day before Stuart's suicide, his brother Matthew had gone to police with evidence implicating his brother in the shootings. Matthew said he became an unwitting accomplice in the crime when he and a friend, John McMahon, met Charles in the Mission Hill neighborhood on the night of the shootings and agreed to dispose of a gun, Carol's purse and several other items. Matthew reportedly told authorities he thought he was aiding in an insurance scam and knew nothing of a murder plot.

Investigators want to know more about Matthew's role but he has apparently refused to testify before a grand jury, although Massachusetts law prevents the prosecution of blood relatives as accessories after the fact of a crime.

Prosecutors are awaiting a decision by the state's highest court on whether they can break the attorney-client confidentiality privilege that prevents Charles Stuart's former lawyer from revealing what he knows about the crime. The attorney, John Dawley, met with Stuart for about two hours on the day before his suicide. Dawley resigned as Stuart's lawyer after the talk and recommended he hire a defense attorney, prosecutors said.

Boston's black community was enraged by the case even before Stuart's deception was revealed. Charges that police harassed black men in their search for a gunman and intimidated witnesses into giving evidence incriminating Bennett still are being investigated. Bennett, who was convicted this month of an unrelated armed robbery, claims he was framed in the Stuart case. Some blacks say that police readily accepted Stuart's story - and that it made national headlines - because he was white and blamed the killing on a black man.

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BONN, Germany (OCT. 21) UPI - Six German nationals, on their way home after being released by Iraq, sharply criticized the Bonn government for not doing enough to help the 400 other Germans remaining in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

Three of the six Germans who arrived in the Jordanian capital of Amman Saturday from Baghdad are expected to arrive in Frankfurt later in the day Sunday, while the other three will follow Monday, officials said.

Two other Germans were expected to leave Baghdad within the next days, German Foreign Ministry officials said.

The six nationals who arrived in Amman over the weekend said they strongly supported a letter the 400 German nationals held in Iraq and Kuwait had written to German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, urging him to do more for the release of all Germans.

The letter urged Kohl to make a ''significantly stronger effort'' to help them.

It noted that former U.S. presidential contender, the Rev. Jesse Jackson, and former British Prime Minister Edward Heath had visited their fellow citizens in Baghdad although they were not on official government missions.

The Germans said the only visitors they had seen so far were two German deputies from the European Parliament who traveled to Baghdad last week.

''We expect (Germany) to do what other countries do and that is visits, visits and again visits - no matter if the visitors are parliamentarians, business leaders, union officials, church leaders or public persons,'' the letter said.

Sources in Bonn said Sunday that former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt might travel to Baghdad soon. Brandt is scheduled to meet with Iraq's ambassador late Monday.

The freed Germans said in a joint statement in Amman, ''The mood among those who remained behind is depressing. Three months is enough, it is nerve-racking.''

The six had been among hundreds of foreigners held by Iraqi authorities since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

About 76 Germans have reportedly been taken to strategic military installations as ''human shields'' against a possible attack by western forces deployed in the Persian Gulf.

Kohl responded to the letter saying the government is making great efforts to help them.

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(OCT. 21) UPI - TODAY'S PEOPLE:

SPOUSES WON'T BE CO-STARS: Actress Kirstie Alley says she never wants to co-star with husband Parker Stevenson. ''We got married to make love with each other, not to star with each other,'' the ''Cheers'' star told the New York

Daily News. ''I'll work with Parker as producer to actor or as director to producer but not as actor to actor. We work horribly together. We have no respect for each other. We direct each other. All the considerations you'd give any other actor we don't give each other.'' Besides, Alley says if she and Stevenson made a movie together, it would deprive them of the side benefit of getting to kiss other people and stay within the bounds of marital fidelity. ''You can't be a secretary and smooch with the sales manager that comes to town,'' she said. ''If you told your husband, he probably wouldn't like it. When I'm smooching with someone in a scene, it's allowed.''

BROKAW WOULD LIKE TIME OFF: Tom Brokaw sounds like he might like to drop his anchor duties. ''What I'd like to do is always keep my hand in television but I would not like to be on every day,'' the NBC newsman told People magazine. ''It seems to most people to be a very glamorous job and many days it is. (But) it's very hard to even think about taking a day off in the course of a month because it's very competitive and the expectations are so high for all three (CBS's Dan Rather and ABC's Peter Jennings and himself).'' Brokaw says the pressure of the job makes him feel like a gerbil. ''We're in a cage running around and around,'' he says. ''After a while, no matter how much they pay you, you get to think you'd like a whole different life.''

LINE IS FOR BOOKS, NOT BORIS: Long lines of people outside Boris Yeltsin's Moscow home set off false rumors about the health of the Russian leader. The crowd had not come to mourn Yeltsin but to buy the first Russian translation of Mario Puzo's novel ''The Godfather'' at a bookstore in Yeltsin's building. Yeltsin's well-being has been a concern since a car accident a month ago and there has been much speculation about how seriously he was injured. A Soviet newspaper said Yeltsin had not deteriorated. ''We know for certain from circles close to the Russian president that his health is in a good state,'' one report said. ''Doctors simply recommended that he rest for a few more days.''

GLIMPSES: Merv Griffin is adding a Hollywood touch to his Resorts casino in Atlantic City, N.J. He's bringing in special slot machines that will feature scenes from famous movies instead of the standard spinning cherries and lemons ... Life behind bars isn't so bad for deposed Panamanian ruler Manuel Noriega. While Noriega awaits trial on drug charges, he is staying in what has become known as the ''dictator's suite'' at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in Miami. The cell has a bedroom, a conference room and an office and is furnished with a color television, a computer, an exercise bike and a paper shredder. There also are two safes containing documents but Noriega can't open them because he doesn't know the combinations.

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#90294u0567 10/21/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (OCT. 21) UPI - The largest statue of Vladimir Lenin in Moscow was spray painted this weekend in the first attack on a Lenin monument in the Soviet capital.

The Moskovskaya Pravda newspaper said Sunday that a fire extinguisher filled with paint was used to disfigure the back portion of the Lenin statue in October Square between Friday night and Saturday morning.

Although statues to the Soviet state's founder have been hauled down and then disfigured in other Soviet cities, no such atttacks on Lenin had been reported in Moscow.

The Lenin statue that was attacked towers over a series of statues of early Communists to honor the October 1917 revolution that brought Lenin to power.

In an attempt to stop the dismantling of Lenin's statues across the country, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev last week ordered increased protection of the monuments.

His decress also suspended the carrying out of orders by local city councils to dismantle the statues of Lenin in their cities.

The Moscow Communist Party expressed ''a strong protest against the immoral action (in October Square) and urged compliance with Gorbachev's decree.''

The statue of Lenin in October Square is the most prominent in Moscow and the square itself is one of the busiest interchanges in the Soviet capital with constant traffic.

The monuments to other Soviet figures have recently been attacked also in well-traveled major squares.

The statue of Yakov Sverdlov, first president of the Soviet Union, was spray painted last month despite its location in Revolutionary Square not far from the Kremlin.

Lenin was the most revered figure in Soviet history until the 28th Party Congress in July declared him to be just one in a series outstanding socialist thinkers.

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#90294u0638 10/21/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 21) UPI - President Bush has sent an alternative civil rights bill to

Capitol Hill. The legislation is a bid to avoid a politically damaging veto of the Civil Rights Act of 1990, which Bush says would create unacceptable job quotas. The president is asking Congress to revise its bill before adjourning or he will veto it. But House Speaker Thomas Foley says he doubts whether lawmakers will go back and open up the bill.

Israeli police have arrested a West Bank Arab following the fatal stabbings of three Israelis with a bayonet in Jerusalem. Today's attack is the worst in the city since Israeli security forces killed at least 20 Palestinians during the bloodbath on Temple Mount two weeks ago. The Army says the suspect is a 19-year-old religious Moslem who was seeking revenge.

In Lebanon, unidentified gunmen killed a supporter of ousted Christian General Michel Aoun along with his wife and two sons at their home in Syrian-policed southeast Beirut today. The Christian Voice of Lebanon Radio says the killers, armed with silencer- equipped guns, burst into the apartment of 54-year-old Dany Chamoun after knocking on the door. Witnesses say the bodies of Chamoun and his wife were riddled with bullets.

The Washington Post reports Iraqi military forces are learning how to use sophisticated American anti-aircraft missiles and radar captured during the August invasion of Kuwait. The newspaper quotes a Bush administration official who says Iraq captured about 150 of the highly accurate Hawk missiles. The sources say terrorist teams are learning how to use the weapons and could pose a substantial threat to American and allied aircraft.

Reports from China say damage from an earthquake and aftershocks that rumbled through Gansu Province is heavy. The six-point-two Richter Scale quake was followed by several strong aftershocks, including one measuring five-point-one. The State Seismological Bureau in Beijing says one person is known dead... but the casualty toll is expected to rise. China's official news agency says 30 percent of the buildings at the quake's epicenter were destroyed.

It looks like mid-winter in the Rockies this morning. A cold front pushed across the central United States yesterday leaving up to nine inches of snow on the ground in the mountains of Colorado. Denver got up to four inches of the white stuff. Snow also fell in New Mexico, Nebraska and Kansas.

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LONDON (OCT. 21) UPI - Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath announced in Baghdad Sunday he secured the unconditional release of an undisclosed number of sick and elderly British hostages being held in Iraq.

Those allowed to return home were reported to be released Tuesday.

Speaking at a news conference after a three-hour meeting at a secret location with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, Heath said the Iraqi authorities had agreed to release an unspecified number of British nationals detained in Iraq since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Details were not given on which hostages were to be released or how many, but Heath said he had reached a firm agreement on the categories involved.

Heath had arrived in Baghdad Saturday with an list of people he would like to see released, putting them into categories, including the sick and elderly, those under 21 years and those trapped in Iraq while on transit to other countries at the time of the invasion.

The final list of those to be released is being drawn up by Heath's advisors and the Iraqi authorities.

Most hostages are being held at military and other strategic installations.

Iraqi authorities had not imposed any conditions for the release of the hostages and had asked for nothing in return, Heath said during the news conference, monitored in London from the British Broadcasting Corp.

He said the Iraqi leader recognized the intense dangers of the current crisis and the disastrous effect that warfare could have on the region and on the world economy.

He said Hussein emphasized the desire for a diplomatic solution, but there was no indication that the Iraqis would consider a withdrawal or even a partial withdrawal from Kuwait.

Heath decided to go to Baghdad after receiving dozens of pleas from friends and relatives asking him help get the sick and elderly hostages out of Iraq. His trip was not sanctioned by the British government.

After his arrival in Baghdad Saturday, Heath met with the Iraqi Foriegn Minister, Tariq Aziz. The meeting lasted over two hours and the two politicians are understood to have discussed a wide range of subjects around the gulf crisis.

Following a visit by Austria's Kurt Waldheim, Edward Heath is the most senior Western politician to visit Iraq since the crisis began. Believing him to be against the hardline views of British Premier Margaret Thatcher, the Iraqis have reported Heath's comments on the Persian Gulf crisis in favorable terms.

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#90294u0702 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, Greece (OCT. 21) UPI - Iran reopened its embassy in Baghdad Sunday, a

week after the two countries resumed diplomatic relations, the official Iraqi News Agency said.

Iranian Charge d'Affaires Abuqassem Shashat, who arrived in Baghdad Wednesday, said ''the reopening of the embassies in Baghdad and Tehran came as a result of the process of normalization (of) bilateral relations.''

The Iraqi Embassy in Tehran, closed since the start of the Iran-Iraq war in September 1980, was reopened Oct. 14, the day the two sides resumed diplomatic relations.

An INA dispatch monitored in Athens said the Iranian Embassy in Baghdad ''reopened ... with the hoisting of the Iranian flag on its building.''

Regional diplomats said Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati was expected to visit Baghdad shortly, but there was no immediate confirmation from Tehran.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz visited Tehran early last month, days after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein began a hurried bid to make peace with Iran following his own invasion of Kuwait and the buildup of U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia.

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#90294u0705 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 21) UPI - Iraq today conceded that U-N economic sanctions imposed against Baghdad are having a noticeable effect. But the Iraqi defense ministry's newspaper indicates that Iraq is NOT yet willing to back down. It says the Iraqi army is on full alert and ready to confront U-S- led forces in the Persian Gulf.

In other Gulf developments, former British Prime Minister Edward Heath met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today. Heath is on a self-styled mission to free sick and elderly British hostages. Earlier, Heath met with several of the hostages in a downtown Baghdad hotel.

Anti-war groups took to the streets near Tokyo today to protest Japan's plan to send Japanese troops to the Persian Gulf. Organizers say about 23-thousand leftists and pacifists demonstrated peacefully outside the U-S Forces Japan headquarters. The protesters joined hands to form a human chain enclosing around the facility.

Thousands of peace activists demonstrated in 19 cities around the United States yesterday in opposition to America's deployment of troops in the Middle East. In the largest demonstration, some five-thousand protesters took to the streets of New York, chanting anti-war slogans. The protests were reminiscent of the numerous anti-Vietnam War rallies of the 60s and 70s.

President Bush is trying to avoid a politically damaging rejection of major civil rights legislation. The president last night dispatched his own alternate plan to Capitol Hill. Bush says the Civil Rights Act of 1990 passed this week by Congress contained ''critical defects'' that would lead to hiring quotas.

Jerusalem police have arrested a 19-year-old West Bank Arab who stabbed to death three Israelis with a bayonet in a quiet Jewish neighborhood today. Police say the suspect apparently sought to avenge the killing of 20 Arabs on the Temple Mount two weeks ago. It was the worst attack on Jews in Jerusalem since the start of the Palestinian uprising.

As many as 75 people were injured in Dallas last night while waiting for aconcert by the rock group Z-Z Top. Most of the victims collapsed from heat exhaustion after more than 70-thousand people crammed into the stadium and waited for up to seven hours without food or water before the concert.

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#90294u0719 10/21/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 21) UPI - President Bush's proposed compromise on the Civil Rights Act of 1990 was angrily rejected as an unacceptable political ploy Sunday by lawmakers and civil rights advocates.

But they conceded it would be difficult, if not impossible, to override Bush's veto of their bill. Bush on Monday plans to issue the veto, the 16th of his administration. He has yet to be overridden.

Bush, jockeying for position in a high-stakes civil rights battle, proposed the compromise late Saturday and challenged Congress to pass it by Monday.

In a statement, the president maintained that his bill would protect employees against discrimination without imposing unacceptable hiring quotas.

''The alternative is a cynical coverup for tomorrow's devastating veto,'' said Ralph Neas, executive director of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights. ''The so-called compromise is dead on arrival.''

''I don't understand why they sent (Bush's compromise) to us, other than political reasons,'' said Augustus Hawkins, D-Calif., a chief sponsor of the Civil Rights Act of 1990. ''It's a collection of ideas we earlier rejected.''

Backers of the Civil Rights Act of 1990 say their legislation would not lead to quotas, either. But despite numerous revisions, they have not been able to eliminate administration concerns to the contrary.

Neas charged that Bush's bill would ''gut the Civil Rights Act of 1990.'' But

Hawkins said, ''I don't think we have the time to override'' a veto. ''We'll just have to try again next year.''

The Civil Rights Act of 1990 has been one of the most thorny issues between the White House and Capitol Hill in this session of Congress, which is expected to end this week.

The measure would reverse several recent Supreme Court decisions that supporters say made it more difficult for women and minorities to prove discrimination in the workplace.

Last week, the House and Senate each passed the bill by wide margins, but not by the two-thirds vote needed to override a veto.

Rep. Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., appearing on ABC's ''This Week with David Brinkley,'' refused to concede defeat. ''I don't know'' if we have the votes. ''We'll try.''

Neas, in contact with congressional leaders much of the weekend, predicted that Bush's alternative would likely draw less than 30 percent of the vote in the House and the Senate.

Laura Melillo, a White House spokeswoman, said, ''The president feels that once Congress reviews his bill they will pass it. The president wants a civil rights bill.''

Said Hawkins, ''I don't even think we'll bring it up for a vote.''

In a statement Saturday, Bush said the Civil Rights Act of 1990 contains ''critical defects'' that would lead to quota hiring.

''With the changes I am forwarding to the Congress, together we can produce legislation that will strike a blow against racial bias without institutionalizing quotas,'' he said.

C. Boyden Gray, Bush's legal adviser, said the new plan contains several key changes in language aimed at easing the burden on employers, including the placement of a $150,000 cap on punitive and compensatory damages sought by employees charging racial discrimination.

Gray and White House press secretatry Marlin Fitzwater acknowledged Saturday that it was unclear whether Congress would reopen the question, but the spokesman said, ''We hope this bill will pass.''

A Bush veto of a civil rights bill would certainly hurt him in the black community. Recent polls show that while Bush initially had an approval rating of upwards of 70 percent among blacks, it has declined to about 45 percent.

Benjamin Hooks, chairman of the NAACP, said a veto of the legislation would mean, ''that the kinder, gentler nation that we have been looking forward to won't come to pass.''

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(OCT. 21) UPI - President Bush has sent his own compromise civil rights bill to Capitol Hill. But the executive director of The Leadership Conference on Civil Rigths says the president's new compromise plan is D-O-A... ''dead on arrival'' because it woN'T adequately guard against discrimination in the workplace. Ralph Neas predicts that Bush's compromise bill woN'T attract much more than 30 percent of the vote in the House or the Senate.

Despite a big slide in public opinion polls, President Bush still stands tall when compared to his immediate predecessors. Bush's latest public approval ratings dropped as much as 20 points from a month ago... to around 60 percent. But the figures indicate his approval rating remains significantly higher than the average scores posted by former presidents Reagan, Carter or Ford.

The Pentagon says a U-S warship fired warning shots at an Iraqi tanker in the Persian Gulf yesterday. Pentagon spokesman Lieutentant Colonel Steve Roy says the destroyer U-S-S O'Brien intercepted the Iraqi vessel, forcing it to stop by shooting over its bow. He says the ship was boarded... searched... then allowed to proceed on its way.

Iraq today conceded U-N economic sanctions against Baghdad are beginning to hurt, but Iraq indicated it's NOT yet willing to back down. Iraq announced Friday it would begin rationing gasoline this week for private cars, trucks and taxis. Western observers say the austerity measure is a sign that the economic blockade is taking its toll on Iraq.

In Japan, organizers report about 23-thousand leftists and pacifists staged a peaceful demonstration today outside the U-S Forces Japan headquarters near Tokyo. The crowd was protesting Japan's decision to send troops to assist U-S-led multi-national forces in the Middle East. The demonstrators joined hands to form a human chain enclosing the U-S military headquarters. Police say the anti-war demonstration was peaceful and there were NO arrests.

Philippine President Corazon Aquino is appealing for understanding of her nation's ''serious economic crisis,'' which she blames on the Persian Gulf conflict that has sent oil prices skyrocketing. In her taped weekly radio talk show, Aquino says there's a possibility prices could go higher. She indicated gasoline rationing might be ordered.

Aquino's statement comes on the eve of a week-long general strike called by government and trade unions demanding a raise after petroleum prices jumped an average of 29 percent. Defense and security officials have opposed any new

hike in petroleum prices, noting the last three of seven military uprisings against Aquino came after pump prices were adjusted and workers took to the streets.

The Miami-based rap group 2 Live Crew says it will resume touring and will perform concerts in Florida's Broward County, now that a jury has acquitted three band members of obscenity charges. A panel of four women and two men deliberated just two hours before finding the rappers innocent yesterday. The trial was based on a live nightclub performance of songs from an album that a federal judge had declared obscene.

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(OCT. 21) UPI - The head of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights says the civil rights bill proposed by President Bush is ''dead on arrival'' on Capitol Hill. Ralph Neas says congressional leaders give him the feeling the bill woN'T get much more than 30 percent of the vote in the House or the Senate.

President Bush is holding onto a higher approval rating than his immediate predecesors despite a recent 20-point slide. The two latest polls indicate the public gives Bush approval ratings of 56 and 60 percent... higher than Presidents Nixon, Ford, or Carter, and even Ronald Reagan.

Iraq today conceded the international embargo against it is having a ''conspicuous'' effect. But Iraq's official news agency also played up yesterday's peace protests in the United States. In Baghdad, former British Prime Minister Edward Heath met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in an effort to free sick and elderly hostages.

A Lebanese group calling itself the ''Islamic Jihad Movement'' is claiming responsibility for today's stabbing rampage that left three Israelis dead in a quiet Jewish neighborhood in Jerusalem. The group issued a statement in Beirut saying the attack was to avenge the Temple Mount killings of 20 Arabs.

Lebanese troops today searched buildings and stormed houses in the hunt for the assassins of a staunch supporter of ousted Christian General Michel Aoun. Officials say unidentified gunmen burst into the home of Dany Chamoun and shot him dead along with his wife and two young sons.

Diplomats say the U-S decision to suspend aid to Pakistan has led to a backlash against deposed Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto. The Islamic coalition which opposes Bhutto says the aid cut- off shows Bhutto is beholden to the United States. Elections on Wednesday are expected to prevent Bhutto's party from holding a majority in parliament.

Ousted Panamanian strongman General Manuel Noriega is awaiting his drug trial

in what one co-defendant's lawyer calls the ''dictator's suite.'' A report today says Noriega's suite near Miami has a conference table, color T-V, exercise bike, private shower, computer and a paper shredder.

South African President Frederik de Klerk departs for the Netherlands today... the first such trip by a South African head of state in 42 years. Pretoria's ties with the estranged Dutch fatherland go back to 1592 when Dutchman Jan van Riebeeck became the first white settler in South Africa.

Nick Navarro, the Florida sheriff who arrested three members of the rap group 2 Live Crew, says he'll arrest them again if they give another performance like the one in June at a Hollywood, Florida, nightclub. A Broward County jury yesterday acquitted the three rappers, ruling the performance was NOT obscene... ending a two-week trial.

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(OCT. 22) UPI - COLLEGE FOOTBALL STANDINGS:

INDEPENDENTS
Division 1-A

	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Notre Dame	5	1	0	202	137
Louisville	6	1	1	212	109
S. Mississippi	6	2	0	150	96
Florida St.	4	2	0	202	122
Miami (Fla.)	4	2	0	206	124
South Carolina	4	2	0	161	111
Penn St.	4	2	0	170	88
Northern Ill.	5	3	0	262	184
Louisiana Tech	4	3	0	202	111
Syracuse	3	2	2	190	127
Army	3	3	0	171	134
Boston College	3	3	0	125	151
Navy	3	3	0	106	159
Temple	3	3	0	125	151
West Virginia	3	3	0	139	117
Memphis St.	3	3	1	149	141
Pittsburgh	3	3	1	183	167
Akron	3	4	1	173	176
SW Louisiana	3	4	0	137	172
Virginia Tech	3	4	0	164	176
East Carolina	3	5	0	175	200
Rutgers	2	5	0	97	193
Tulane	2	6	0	149	206
Cincinnati	1	6	0	121	251
Tulsa	1	7	0	115	238

DIVISION 1-AA

	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Youngstown St.	8	0	0	245	109
William & Mary	5	2	0	253	194
Samford	4	2	1	154	136
Liberty	5	3	0	208	174
Central Fla.	4	3	0	201	134
James Madison	4	3	0	178	98
Ga. Southern	4	3	0	158	161
Arkansas St.	3	4	1	130	218
Nicholls St.	3	4	0	172	172
Western Ky.	2	4	0	98	114
Northeastern	1	6	0	91	220
Towson St.	0	7	0	98	247

IVY LEAGUE

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Harvard	2	1	0	49	46	4	2	0	108	94
Dartmouth	2	1	0	44	39	3	2	1	108	95
Cornell	2	1	0	43	42	3	3	0	126	159
Yale	2	1	0	75	55	3	3	0	107	146
Penn	2	1	0	54	35	2	4	0	86	94
Princeton	1	2	0	61	63	2	4	0	107	130
Brown	1	2	0	68	71	1	5	0	99	184
Columbia	0	3	0	19	61	0	6	0	78	185

YANKEE CONFERENCE

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Mass.	5	0	0	139	61	5	0	1	149	71
New Hamp.	4	0	0	102	43	6	0	1	220	93
Delaware	3	2	0	87	105	4	3	0	112	139
Boston U.	2	2	0	79	108	3	4	0	148	170
Conn.	2	2	0	94	101	3	4	0	166	180
Villanova	1	2	0	68	50	2	4	0	129	124
Richmond	1	3	0	38	100	1	5	0	55	157
Rhode Isl.	1	4	0	99	79	3	4	0	162	103
Maine	1	5	0	97	156	1	6	0	100	200

PATRIOT LEAGUE

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Holy Cross	1	0	0	34	22	5	1	1	179	83

Bucknell	1	0	0	24	14	5	2	0	222	173
Colgate	1	0	0	31	7	5	2	0	219	127
Lehigh	1	1	0	57	37	5	2	0	198	122
Lafayette	0	1	0	14	24	3	4	0	140	199
Fordham	0	2	0	10	66	1	5	0	88	171

SOUTHEASTERN

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Auburn	2	0	1	106	42	5	0	1	180	90
x-Florida	3	1	0	88	87	6	1	0	224	96
Miss.	2	1	0	73	65	6	1	0	190	127
Tennessee	2	1	1	117	45	4	1	2	259	83
LSU	2	2	0	77	91	4	2	0	129	109
Georgia	2	2	0	81	90	4	3	0	121	156
Alabama	2	2	0	97	68	3	3	0	136	101
Kentucky	1	2	0	66	80	2	5	0	131	182
Vanderbilt	1	3	0	86	175	1	5	0	107	268
Miss. St.	0	3	0	43	91	3	3	0	121	131

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ATLANTIC COAST

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Virginia	4	0	0	159	21	7	0	0	338	80
Ga. Tech	3	0	1	86	48	5	0	1	157	63
Clemson	3	2	0	94	82	6	2	0	235	85
Maryland	3	2	0	97	94	5	3	0	148	162
N.Carolina	1	1	1	53	49	4	2	1	156	110
N.C. St.	2	4	0	74	113	4	4	0	197	113
Duke	0	3	0	27	108	3	4	0	130	187
Wake For.	0	4	0	66	141	2	5	0	158	200

SOUTHERN

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Furman	3	1	0	126	60	5	2	0	216	101
TennChatt.	3	1	0	79	70	4	3	0	145	155
App. St.	3	1	0	95	72	3	4	0	107	199
Citadel	2	2	0	64	54	4	3	0	143	130
W.Carolina	2	2	0	68	92	3	5	0	125	255
Marshall	1	3	0	60	95	3	4	0	154	126
E.Tenn St.	1	3	0	82	94	2	5	0	146	181
VMI	0	2	0	42	79	3	4	0	220	234

PACIFIC 10

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Washington	4	0	0	163	47	6	1	0	217	98
California	3	1	0	130	121	5	2	0	217	219
Arizona	3	2	0	131	129	5	2	0	184	155
USC	2	2	0	93	105	5	2	0	190	152
UCLA	2	2	0	114	117	3	4	0	188	220
Wash. St.	2	2	0	133	115	3	4	0	203	202
Oregon	1	2	0	61	67	5	2	0	242	134
Oregon St.	1	2	0	62	113	1	6	0	116	249
Stanford	1	3	0	106	124	2	5	0	182	205
Arizona St	0	3	0	45	100	2	4	0	119	163

WESTERN ATHLETIC

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Wyoming	4	0	0	129	95	8	0	0	256	170
BYU	3	0	0	144	53	5	1	0	238	142
Colo. St.	4	1	0	151	125	5	3	0	232	192
Hawaii	1	2	0	32	46	3	3	0	134	98
S.Diego St	1	2	0	133	132	2	4	0	223	239
New Mexico	1	2	0	77	100	2	6	0	173	233
Air Force	1	3	0	90	110	3	4	0	151	181
Utah	1	3	0	67	92	3	4	0	128	152
UTEP	1	4	0	93	163	3	5	0	137	253

BIG WEST

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
San Jose	4	0	0	155	83	5	2	1	245	171
Fresno St.	3	0	1	132	46	6	1	1	246	153
UNLV	3	1	0	103	105	4	4	0	195	219
Long Beach	2	2	0	117	135	3	5	0	198	252
Utah St.	1	1	1	78	71	1	4	1	95	187
Pacific	2	3	0	178	154	3	4	0	226	242
Fullerton	0	3	0	50	134	1	7	0	156	316
N.Mex. St.	0	4	0	74	159	0	7	0	117	267

BIG SKY

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Nevada	5	0	0	163	83	7	0	0	230	104
Boise St.	3	1	0	103	53	5	2	0	171	105
Idaho	3	2	0	181	133	5	3	0	301	244
Montana	2	2	0	125	128	5	2	0	254	165
Weber St.	3	3	0	191	192	3	4	0	203	213

Mont. St.	2	3	0	150	136	3	4	0	193	193
E. Wash.	2	4	0	155	203	3	4	0	200	209
N. Arizona	2	4	0	151	257	3	4	0	188	260
Idaho St.	1	4	0	123	157	2	5	0	170	213

MID-EASTERN ATHLETIC

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Fla. A&M	3	0	0	97	70	4	3	0	207	186
N.C. A&T	2	1	0	97	29	6	1	0	205	76
Del. St.	2	1	0	122	92	5	2	0	234	189
Howard	2	1	0	58	60	5	2	0	171	107
S.C. St.	2	2	0	105	67	4	3	0	170	91
Beth-Cook	1	3	0	77	112	2	5	0	120	209
Morgan St.	0	4	0	14	140	0	8	0	51	332

BIG TEN

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Illinois	3	0	0	80	33	5	1	0	175	104
Iowa	3	0	0	66	40	5	1	0	195	133
Minnesota	3	0	0	66	32	4	2	0	115	139
Indiana	1	1	1	69	39	4	1	1	209	76
Ohio St.	1	1	1	89	60	3	2	1	163	115
Michigan	1	2	0	91	55	3	3	0	198	115
Mich. St.	1	2	0	48	54	2	3	1	124	107
Norwestern	1	2	0	69	111	2	4	0	131	176
Purdue	0	3	0	9	95	1	5	0	75	165
Wisconsin	0	3	0	47	115	1	5	0	101	174

BIG EIGHT

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Nebraska	3	0	0	145	32	7	0	0	305	53
Colorado	3	0	0	102	53	6	1	1	225	160
x-Oklahoma	2	1	0	93	67	5	2	0	244	115
Iowa St.	1	1	1	79	93	3	3	1	199	184
Kansas St.	1	2	0	41	93	4	3	0	193	154
Missouri	1	2	0	83	112	3	4	0	184	209
Kansas	0	2	1	61	106	1	5	1	125	239
x-Okla. St	0	3	0	37	85	2	5	0	108	192

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MID-AMERICAN

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP

C. Mich.	5	0	0	123	32	6	1	1	188	66
Toledo	5	1	0	143	99	6	1	0	166	113
W. Mich.	2	2	0	88	70	4	3	0	159	145
Miami (O)	2	2	0	85	79	3	4	0	108	160
E. Mich.	2	2	0	86	104	2	5	0	116	206
Ball St.	2	3	0	86	72	3	4	0	106	99
Bwg. Green	1	3	1	54	77	2	4	1	95	118
Kent	1	3	0	54	125	1	6	0	112	225
Ohio U.	0	4	1	81	142	1	5	1	126	209

OHIO VALLEY

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
E.Kentucky	3	0	0	107	24	7	0	0	253	82
Tenn. Tech	2	0	0	40	10	5	2	0	188	135
Mid. Tenn.	2	1	0	101	23	7	1	0	274	91
Morehd St.	1	1	0	41	31	3	5	0	172	193
Tenn. St.	1	2	0	56	100	3	4	0	133	202
Murray St.	0	2	0	3	58	1	6	0	31	282
AustinPeay	0	3	0	21	123	0	7	0	47	237

GATEWAY

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
SW Mo. St.	3	0	0	109	63	7	1	0	278	138
E. Ill.	3	1	0	79	70	4	4	0	136	149
N. Iowa	3	1	0	134	56	4	3	0	207	134
Ill. St.	2	2	0	85	96	3	5	0	150	135
W. Ill.	1	2	0	59	87	1	6	0	119	200
Ind. St.	1	4	0	108	135	3	5	0	210	192
S. Ill.	1	4	0	42	119	2	6	0	125	202

SOUTHWEST

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
x-Houston	5	0	0	186	120	6	0	0	223	129
TCU	3	0	0	134	75	5	1	0	188	136
Texas	2	0	0	75	27	4	1	0	128	82
Baylor	2	1	1	108	83	3	3	1	134	139
Texas A&M	1	1	1	79	80	4	2	1	218	132
Rice	1	3	0	102	109	3	4	0	176	161
Texas Tech	1	4	0	144	186	2	5	0	188	235
Arkansas	0	3	0	87	152	2	4	0	163	196
SMU	0	3	0	55	138	1	5	0	113	202

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SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC

	CONFERENCE	ALL GAMES

	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Jackson St	3	1	0	166	109	6	2	0	302	169
Alabama St	2	2	0	112	62	3	2	1	180	118
Texas Sou.	2	2	0	97	94	4	3	0	167	194
MissValley	2	2	0	118	140	3	4	0	151	216
Alcorn St.	2	2	0	71	123	2	5	0	85	206
Southern	2	3	0	93	130	3	4	0	140	168
Grambling	1	2	0	81	80	5	2	0	234	126

SOUTHLAND

	CONFERENCE					ALL GAMES				
	W	L	T	Pts	OP	W	L	T	Pts	OP
McNeese St	3	0	0	73	49	4	3	0	137	183
SW Texas	2	1	0	72	42	5	3	0	209	161
NE La.	2	1	0	71	56	4	3	0	147	139
Sam Hous.	1	1	0	33	30	2	5	0	95	108
N. Texas	1	2	0	63	68	4	3	0	143	128
NW La.	1	2	0	61	77	2	5	0	122	152
SF Austin	0	3	0	31	78	2	6	0	132	182

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 22) UPI - Retail gasoline prices rose more than 2 cents a gallon in the last two weeks, but the rate of increase slowed to about half the pace reported at the end of September, an industry analyst reported Sunday.

Trilby Lundberg, director of the Lundberg Survey, found on Friday that the average price for a gallon of gasoline was just over $1.47, including tax.

Lundberg's study of some 13,500 retail outlets across the nation indicated the average price was up 2.64 cents from the last survey on Oct. 5.

In the earlier survey, gas prices had risen 5.84 cents from the Sept. 21 price Lundberg said.

She said most retailers have upped their retail prices only as much as the wholesale costs have gone up.

''(The increase is) a simple pass-through of what retailers are paying in increased wholesale prices,'' as they have done since mid- July, she said.

''I see this as their putting on the brakes in order to compete for sales,'' Lundberg said. ''(But) if a station fails over a long enough time to recover its losses, it could be in danger.''

Overall, the average price per gallon has soared nearly 30 cents since July 20 in the wake of the Persian Gulf crisis and its effect on crude oil prices.

Lundberg said although recent figures on fuel consumption have not been compiled, sales have most likely declined since the end of August, the close of the traditional peak driving season.

But Lundberg said it is too soon to tell if higher prices have led drivers to take more short-term conservation measures such as carpooling.

Lundberg said while crude oil prices have slipped in the last few days, oil companies and retailers react as much to political and psychological factors that keep the prices buoyed as they do to the laws of supply and demand. She said even trade analysts have been alarmed with the rapid price fluctuations on the crude oil futures market since Iraq invaded Kuwait.

At the self-service pump on Friday, the average price for regular unleaded gasoline - the most popular grade - was $1.36 a gallon. Premium unleaded sold for $1.53 and regular leaded cost $1.33.

For full-service, regular unleaded cost $1.58 a gallon, premium unleaded $1.71 and regular leaded $1.54.

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(OCT. 22) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Miami	5	1	0	.833	125	83	4-0	W-3
Buffalo	5	1	0	.833	160	126	3-1	W-4
Indianapolis	2	4	0	.333	98	135	0-2	L-1
New York Jets	2	5	0	.286	133	178	1-3	L-3
New England	1	5	0	.167	90	169	1-3	L-4
CENTRAL								
Cincinnati	4	2	0	.667	154	153	0-1	L-1
Houston	4	3	0	.571	169	135	1-1	W-2
Pittsburgh	3	4	0	.429	109	128	1-1	L-1
Cleveland	2	4	0	.333	98	139	1-0	L-1
WEST								
LA Raiders	6	1	0	.857	147	99	4-0	W-2
Kansas City	4	3	0	.571	167	114	0-2	L-1
Seattle	3	4	0	.429	144	135	1-3	W-1
Denver	3	4	0	.429	168	178	2-1	W-1
San Diego	2	5	0	.286	123	132	0-1	L-1

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	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	6	0	0	1.000	150	86	5-0	W-6
Washington	4	2	0	.667	134	82	4-1	W-1
Dallas	3	4	0	.429	90	135	0-2	W-1
Philadelphia	2	4	0	.333	130	132	0-3	L-1
Phoenix	2	4	0	.333	79	141	2-3	L-1
CENTRAL								
Chicago	5	1	0	.833	142	75	3-0	W-2
Tampa Bay	4	3	0	.571	147	141	4-0	L-1
Green Bay	2	4	0	.333	103	146	1-3	L-2
Detroit	2	4	0	.333	141	169	1-3	L-1
Minnesota	1	5	0	.167	140	135	0-3	L-4
WEST								
San Francisco	6	0	0	1.000	154	101	3-0	W-6
Los Angeles Rams	2	4	0	.333	164	173	1-0	W-1
Atlanta	2	4	0	.333	161	183	1-3	L-2
New Orleans	2	4	0	.333	105	123	0-2	L-1

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(OCT. 21) UPI - Budget Director Richard Darman says President Bush is willing to raise the top income tax rate to help settle on a deficit reduction plan. Darman said today that Bush would agree to a 31 percent tax rate for the wealthy... if he got an elimination of the so-called ''bubble'' in the tax rate affecting people who earn 80-thousand to 200- thousand dollars. Some Democrats talked of a higher rate and a surtax on the rich.

Lawmakers reject the president's compromise proposal on civil rights legislation, calling it a political ploy. Senator Edward Kennedy today called the president's last-minute proposal- quote- ''a cynical attempt to appear to support civil rights... while actually satisfying the anti- civil rights forces in his own party.'' President Bush says he will veto the congressional version of the bill... which he says would create hiring quotas.

F-B-I statistics rleased today show violent crime is on the rise across the nation... especially in big cities. The F-B-I's Uniform Crime Report found a 10 percent increase in violent crime nation-wide in the first six months of the year. During that same period... murders in America's biggest cities jumped 20 percent. Lawmakers' efforts to put together a tough anti-crime bill have been stymied by the Persian Gulf crisis and budget problems.

Voters in Arizona will decide November 6th whether to honor Martin Luther King with a paid holiday. Polls indicate 51 percent of Arizona voters support a paid holiday for the slain civil rights leader... in a state where blacks account for less than three percent of the population. Business leaders complain the state is losing Millions of dollars in convention money because of the King controversy.

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(OCT. 21) UPI - Chicago police say a woman who shot and critically wounded her daughter in an argument over a pack of cigarettes is in police custody. Authorities say 47-year-old Essie Gill began arguing with her daughter, 32-year-old Patrice Gill, when the daughter refused to give her a pack of cigarettes. The mother then allegedly took her husband's .22-caliber revolver and shot her daughter in the head and chest. Police say the mother showed NO remorse.

Brazilian President Fernando Collor de Mello has slashed inflation in his country... but NOT without problems. He dropped barriers to imports, seized bank accounts, and did away with monthly wage increases tied to prices. Inflation dropped from 82 percent in March to 10 percent in June. But other results are massive lay-offs and low salaries. Some say it's almost impossible for average Brazilians to live on their wages.

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(OCT. 21) UPI - Congressional budget negotiators apparently have hit a roadblock, differing on what approach to use to raise taxes for the wealthiest Americans. Democrats favor a surcharge... while Republicans want to limit tax deductions for those with incomes above one-Million dollars. Democrats and Republicans apparently agree on raising the upper tax rate to 31 percent.

Lawmakers today rejected a challenge from President Bush to pass his version of the Civil Rights Act of 1990. The measure was rejected today by lawmakers and civil rights activists as an attempt to satisfy G-O-P extremists. Bush threatens to veto the congressional version of the civil rights bill.

Iraq concedes that the U-N trade embargo is hurting its people... but indicates it will NOT back down. Baghdad says its army is on full alert and ready to confront U-S-led forces in the Persian Gulf. Iraq also played up yesterday's protests in the United States against American forces in the Middle East.

Israeli Army Radio says an Arab man who stabbed to death three Israelis today was a religious Moslem intent on avenging the deaths of those killed in riots on the Temple Mount two weeks ago. Today's attack was the worst on Jews in

Jerusalem in the nearly three-year-old Palestinian uprising.

South African President Frederik de Klerk is headed to the Netherlands... on the first such trip to the minority white government's estranged Dutch homeland in 42 years of apartheid rule. Racial reforms in South Africa made the visit possible.

Egyptian officials today welcomed a decision by the U-S Senate to cancel Cairo's seven-point-one-BILLION-dollar military debt. They say it's a step in narrowing Egypt's 50-BILLION-dollar outstanding foreign debt.

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(OCT. 21) UPI - The chairman of the National Black United Front is calling on Nike Incorporated to open discount stores in black communities across the nation, and share the profits with black charities. Nike already has such a program in a predominantly black neighborhood in Portland, Oregon, where the shoe manufacturer is based.

Police in Montecatini, Italy, were able to return 44-thousand-dollars worth of stolen jewels to their owner after a thief with a guilty conscience mailed the loot to police. There was also a letter of apology for the theft.

The news alert from Paris for all fashion watchers is- the skin-tight look is out. Influential designer Christian Lacroix became the latest to deal a blow to the look that was just as popular with men as it was with women. Lacroix revived his old triangle shape at his latest fashion show.

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(OCT. 21) UPI - Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath says his meeting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad has cleared the way for the release of a number of British hostages. Also, six German hostages who were released from Iraq yesterday complain that their government is NOT doing enough to free remaining captives. The six called for repeated diplomatic visits to get the rest out.

An Egyptian magazine says Moslem fundamentalists in Sudan may have trained the pro-Iraqi terrorists who gunned down the speaker of Egypt's parliament in Cairo last week. The magazine says the Moslem Brotherhood runs three camps in Sudan, which borders Egypt. It says the camps train thousands of Egyptians, Algerians and Yemenis in assassination techniques, street fighting and making explosives.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Utah Medical Products Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:UTMD), a manufacturer and marketer of proprietary medical products for use primarily in the critical care areas of hospitals, announces the issuance of a letter of intent to purchase Multi-Technology Inc. (MTI).

MTI, a Salt Lake City-based manufacturer of high-tech disposable laboratory products, was incorporated in 1980. The company's products are used in the clinical laboratory and biotechnology research facilities. The products include pipette tips and micro centrifuge tubes.

The potential market for disposable laboratory products has increased at a consistent rate of 15 percent over the past five years with a continued increase expected at a comparable rate for the next five years.

MTI products are used in such major institutions as Salk Institute, Mayo Clinic, The National Institute of Health, and Dupont.

Said letter of intent expresses Utah Medical's desire to acquire Multi-Technology Inc. (MTI) for an undisclosed sum. Both companies anticipate conclusion of negotiations by Nov. 30.

According to Wm. Dean Wallace, chief executive officer, ''The proposed acquisition of MTI is further affirmation of Utah Medical Products' commitment to continued growth and increased value to the stockholders.''

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HILLSBORO, OR (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Washington Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: WFOR) announced earnings of $527,154, or 33 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990, an increase of 40.5 percent from earnings reported for the third quarter of 1989 of $375,292, or 24 cents per share.

Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $1,318,640, or 83 cents per share, an increase of 53.9 percent from $857,079, or 54 cents per share, for nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Washington Federal Savings Bank has been a Washington County-based financial institution since 1925 and serves the entire Portland metropolitan area with 17 retail branch locations in four Oregon counties: Multnomah, Clackamas, Columbia and Washington. The savings bank also operates three wholly owned subsidiaries, WF Service Corp., WF Insurance Corp. and Ward Cook Inc., Mortgage Banking.

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Lam Research Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:LRCX) announced Monday net income of $1.25 million, or 11 cents per share, for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, compared with net income of $2.3 million, or 20 cents per share, for the like period last year.

Revenues for the first fiscal quarter declined to $34.1 million, down from $38.2 million for the first quarter a year ago.

The decrease in revenue for the quarter compared with last year was attributable to a decline in revenues from the company's epitaxy product line and softness in the etch market. Lam announced a restructuring of its epi operations at the end of its June fiscal year, calling for a write-down of certain operations and a renewed emphasis on its profitable core etch business.

The decrease in net income was attributable to the slowdown in the etch business from the comparable quarter last year.

According to Roger Emerick, chairman and chief executive officer, ''Our results were slightly better than expectations and reflect the positive impact of our recent cost reductions. Although we are encouraged by a strong order rate this past quarter and a strengthened backlog position, we still maintain a cautious outlook with the economic uncertainties confronting us.''

Lam Research Corp. is a leading supplier of wafer processing equipment for the worldwide semiconductor industry. The company's broad product offerings are focused on etch and deposition technologies, two of the most vital areas in the fabrication of current and future integrated circuits.

Headquartered in Fremont, Lam maintains customer support centers strategically located throughout the United States, Europe and Pacific Rim to support its global customer base. The company was founded in 1980.

Lam Research Corp.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(In 000s, except per share data)(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	10/1/89
Net sales	$ 33,379	$ 37,397
Royalty income	746	781
	$ 34,125	$ 38,178

Costs and expenses:		
Cost of goods sold	19,276	20,953
Research and development	5,994	6,326
Selling, general and administrative	6,961	7,701
Other credits	--	--
Operating income	1,894	3,198
Other income (expense), net	(230)	94
Income before income taxes	1,664	3,292
Income taxes	416	988
Net income	$ 1,248	$ 2,304
Net income per share	11 cents	20 cents
Number of shares used in per share calculations	11,700	11,750

Lam Research Corp.
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(In 000s)

	9/30/90 (Unaudited)	6/30/90 (Note)
Assets -		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 10,383	$ 15,630
Accounts receivable, net	27,592	28,314
Inventories	39,841	36,747
Other current assets	7,120	6,802
Total current assets	84,936	87,493
Equipment/leasehold improvements, net	17,440	16,378
Other assets	2,163	2,309
Total assets	$104,539	$106,180
Liabilities and shareholders' equity -		
Total current liabilities	$ 28,299	$ 35,648
Long-term debt	20,536	16,097
Shareholders' equity	55,704	54,435
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	$104,539	$106,180

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TROY, MICH. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - A subsidiary of Ameritech Publishing Inc. Monday announced its acquisition of a German industrial directory publisher.

Ameritech Industrial Yellow Pages Inc. (AIYP) is the first known American firm to acquire an existing, independent company in Hamburg, Germany, with its

purchase of ''Wer Liefert Was?''

AIYP is the publisher of the Ameritech Industrial Purchasing Guide, 14 regional directories targeted for American purchasers and suppliers.

''Wer Liefert Was?'' was the family-owned and operated publisher of the European industrial directory, Wer Liefert Was? Freely translated, Wer Liefert Was? means ''Who supplies what?'' Wer Liefert Was? is the German market leader, with German and Austrian editions. Additionally, ''Wer Liefert Was?'' plans to introduce a directory in Switzerland.

''The relationship formed between AIYP and 'Wer Liefert Was?' is one based on respect and the understanding that together we can provide an outstanding product to our customers,'' said Tom Kaeding, president of AIYP. ''By entering into this agreement, we have created a strong and experienced team prepared to address the needs of the international industrial marketplace.''

Ameritech Industrial Yellow Pages Inc., is a subsidiary of Ameritech Publishing Inc., provider of Ameritech PagesPlus directories in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin, and directories in Tokyo and Osaka, Japan.

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ORLANDO, Fla. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - CBIS, Cincinnati Bell Information Systems Inc. announced Monday that it has entered into an agreement with Unisys which will enable the companies to jointly deliver check imaging solutions to the banking industry.

This agreement reflects CBIS's ongoing commitment to provide additional opportunities for bankers to affect the transition to check image processing and statement rendition with a proven, installed system that is designed for compatibility with long-term imaging strategies.

''Unisys InfoImage IIPS (Image Item Processing System) customers can now take advantage of ImageBanc, the first installed and proven imaged statement application for financial institutions,'' explained Dan Welbaum, director of sales and marketing for CBIS's Composed Applications business unit. ''And our ability to interface the ImageBanc/IIPS solution with an IBM host system makes it usable by those financial institutions with Unisys InfoImage IIPS check processing system and IBM host-based core accounting applications.''

The Unisys InfoImage IIPS is a high-speed payment processing platform system for the financial industry. Coupled with Image Check Processing system (ICPS) software, the IIPS system can process and store 1,800 double-sided document images per minute for check processing. IIPS will ''present'' check images to ImageBanc installed on the IBM host for imaged statement rendering.

''Unisys is excited about our relationship with CBIS, as it allows our check image customers the ability to quickly implement a proven statement print application. Additionally, it combines the resources of two leading vendors in check imaging, and brings an expanding suite of imaging solutions to the marketplace. This application is a prime example of Unisys' ability to co-exist in a multi-vendor environment and to deliver a total solution to our customers,'' stated Denny Farkas, vice president, Financial and Imaging Programs, Unisys Corp.

Imaged statement technology provides bankers both a strategic marketing advantage and significant operational cost saving opportunities. Instead of handling and returning cancelled checks each month, the ImageBanc/IIPS solution reduces banks' processing costs and provides customers with an easy-to-read, ''checkless'' imaged statement. By offering an imaged statement product, bankers can attract new customers, increase fee income, reduce postage and check-handling costs, and enhance customer loyalty.

CBIS, a subsidiary of Cincinnati Bell Inc., provides information management solutions to financial, telecommunications and government entities. Its Composed Applications group specializes in image and document management applications and is an industry leader in providing mainframe, open-ended image processing solutions.

Unisys Corp. is a $10 billion manufacturer of commercial information systems, defense systems and related services. It has more than 75,000 employees and 60,000 customers in over 100 countries.

NOTE: ImageBanc is a service mark of Cincinnati Bell Information Systems Inc. InfoImage is a trademark of Unisys Corp.

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DENVER (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Cohig & Associates Inc., Monday announced it has signed an investment banking agreement with Wasatch Fiber Group Inc., the Ogden, Utah-based maker of high performance golf shafts.

Under terms of the agreement, Cohig & Associates will provide Wasatch with counsel on a variety of issues relating to enhancing shareholder value. These

issues will include business and financial planning, capital formation and investor relations.

Cohig & Associates is a full-service investment banking firm specializing in capital formation for companies with revenue in the $3 to $50 million range. The firm's particular emphasis is on established public companies that have a need for working capital to fund promising business opportunities or late-stage product development.

Wasatch Fiber Group's principal product is the Carbon Fiber golf club shaft, which delivers longer and more accurate golf shots. More than 40 percent of the company's sales are made to Wilson and Dunlop, two of the world's leading providers of golf products.

Other customers include discount golf retailers and more than 1200 ''green grass'' pro shops across the country. Wasatch recently reported record net income of $428,000, or 5 cents per share, on record revenue of $3.2 million for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990. The company has $2 million in total assets, $600,000 in working capital and $1.2 million stockholders' equity.

''Wasatch is indicative of the type of company Cohig & Associates is looking for - well-managed, profitable, young companies with progressively developing business opportunities,'' said Eugene McColley, vice president of corporate finance for Cohig & Associates.

Wasatch joins Charter Golf Inc. and Square 2 Golf as Cohig & Associates third golf industry client company. San Diego-based Charter Golf manufactures and markets the ''Ashworth'' product line which, with more than 3,500 green grass accounts nationwide, is the fastest-growing golf apparel maker in the United States.

Square 2 Golf manufactures a full line of state-of-the-art golf clubs sold in pro shops throughout America. Both Charter Golf and Square 2 Golf have recently reported record sales and earnings.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Ducommun Inc. (ASE/PSE:DCO) reported net income of $727,000, or 20 cents per share, on sales of $19,132,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990.

This compares with net income of $422,000, or 13 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989 on revenue of $16.81 million.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $1,623,000, or 47 cents per share, compared with net income of $859,000, or 26 cents per share, for the first nine months of 1989. Sales were $57,031,000, compared with $51,129,000, an 11.5 percent gain from 1989.

The company recorded an extraordinary tax credit of $311,000, or 9 cents per share, in the third quarter and $703,000, or 21 cents per share, in the first nine months of 1990 for utilization of net operating loss carryforwards, substantially offsetting the provision for taxes.

These amounts are reflected in the net income reported for both periods. Approximately $57 million of federal net operating loss carryforwards remain unutilized subject to certain limitations.

Since July 1988, bank debt has been reduced by 67 percent from $22,996,000 to $7,575,000. Reflecting strong cash flow and improving financial performance, the company and its senior lender renegotiated their bank agreement.

The bank has agreed to lower the interest rate, extend the maturity and allow the company to begin to repurchase its 7-3/4 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2011.

The board of directors authorized the company to repurchase from time to time up to $2 million principal amount of debentures in the open market or through private transactions depending on market conditions.

Ducommun manufactures components and assemblies for the aerospace industry. The company's product mix during 1990 is expected to be 60 percent commercial, 30 percent military and 10 percent space oriented.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Autotrol Corp. (NASDAQ:AUTR) Monday reported continued gains in sales and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, compared to the like period in 1989.

This marks the seventh consecutive quarter in which sales and earnings improved over the prior year.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $484,421 as compared with $200,793 in the like 1989 period. Net income per share was 18 cents vs.

10 cents for the year-earlier quarter. Income per share results are not directly comparable due to the additional 780,000 shares issued on completion of the company's rights offering in May 1990. Sales of $9,208,982 were up 8 percent from $8,492,869 a year ago.

''Although consolidated third quarter and year-to-date results compare favorably with last year, our overall business is being negatively effected by the downturn in the economy,'' James W. Schwerdt, president said. ''The performance of our Controls Group was good but did not meet original expectations. However, operating profit at our Aquatrol subsidiary exceeded expectations. Additionally, by retiring all long-term debt in May with the proceeds from the rights offering, we substantially reduced interest expense.''

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income rose 50 percent to $2,284,869 as compared with $1,521,394 a year earlier. Net income per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was 96 cents vs. 78 cents in 1989. Sales were $28,899,777 for the nine months, up 9 percent from $26,439,474 in 1989.

Autotrol Corp. designs and manufactures process controls and systems used principally in the treatment of water and wastewater. The company serves residential, industrial, commercial and municipal markets and over one-quarter of its business is in international sales.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - SAFECO Corp. Monday reported income before gains from investments of $53.0 million, or $0.84 per share, for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $1.19 per share for third quarter 1989.

Net income per share, which includes gains from investments, was also $0.84 for the quarter, compared with $1.29 for the same period in 1989. Income before gains from investments was $2.80 per share for the first nine months of 1990, compared with $3.12 per share in 1989.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Bruce Maines said that the corporation's life and health insurance operations and non-insurance subsidiaries continue to produce strong earnings, but that underwriting losses in property and casualty insurance were higher than usual, due in part to a $16.5 million loss resulting from a severe hailstorm that hit Denver in July.

Third quarter underwriting losses in property and casualty insurance operations were $37.6 million, compared with a loss of $6.8 million a year ago. For the first nine months of 1990, underwriting losses totaled $88

million, compared with $36.9 million for the same period in 1989.

Maines said that losses in the voluntary personal auto line increased from $4.2 million for the first nine months of 1989 to $29.7 million for the first nine months of 1990, primarily due to significantly higher bodily injury claims costs. Non-voluntary personal auto (assigned risk) losses were $19.4 million for the first nine months of 1990, with $14.5 million attributable to California.

Property and casualty investment income for the first nine months of 1990 was $210.4 million, compared with $193.6 million for 1989.

All SAFECO life and health product lines again reported strong earnings. Operating income for the first nine months of 1990 was $84.3 million compared with $80.9 million for the same period in 1989.

SAFECO's non-insurance subsidiaries also produced positive results. SAFECO Properties Inc. reported a pre-tax profit of $2.3 million for the quarter, compared with $1.9 million for 1989.

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MILPITAS, Calif. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Plus Development Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Quantum Corp. (NASDAQ:QNTM), Monday announced the availability of its new 9 millisecond (ms) Hardcard II XL 50 and Hardcard II XL 105 hard disk drives, at retail outlets, value-added resellers and independent distributors.

Early demand has quickly moved Hardcard II XL into the top-selling position among all Plus products.

''We knew Hardcard II XL would be well-received,'' said Jeff Heimbuck, president, Plus Development. ''However, dealer demand thus far has exceeded our expectations.''

''Judging from early customer demand for Hardcard II XL, it will be our hottest selling hard disk drive this quarter,'' said Vicky Cotten, general manager, mass storage division, Ingram Micro D.

''Clearly, resellers are attracted to the excellent price/performance offered by XL for the 286- and 386-based personal computer upgrade market.''

The world's fastest 3.5-inch disk drive, Kardcard II XL provides users of vintage 286- and 386-based personal computers up to nine times the performance

at the same price, as conventional 28 ms ST-506 disk drives.

The Hardcard II XL combines a 3.5-inch Winchester disk drive with fully integrated drive and controller electronics on a single card. Its slim form factor (less than one inch) enables it to be installed in a single 16-bit slot of a 286- or 386-based industry standard PC.

No other 3.5-inch disk drive with up to 120 megabytes of capacity can match the speed and performance of Hardcard II XLs, according to Dataquest, a San Jose, Calif.-based computer industry market research firm.

''Hardcard II XL drives not only outperform all conventional disk drives, but also set a new standard for disk drive price/performance by breaking technological and pricing barriers for disk drives in the retail channel. It's a technological achievement at a great price,'' said Phil Devin, disk drive analyst at Dataquest.

Hardcard II XL 50 and Hardcard II XL 105 have suggested retail prices of $579 and $999, respectively. Dealers project street prices at or below $399 and $699, respectively.

Plus Development is one of the leading suppliers of mass storage solutions for a wide range of personal computer systems. The company's original Hardcard product line pioneered the hard-disk-on-a-card technology.

In addition to its original 8-bit Hardcard 20 and 40 and 16-bit Hardcard II 40 and 80 families, Plus offers the Plus Impulse, AT Series and SCSI Series, of fixed drives for high performance applications and the Plus Passport line of removable hard disk drives. The company's products are sold worldwide through retail outlets, value-added resellers and systems integrators.

Based in Milpitas, Plus Development is a wholly owned subsidiary of Quantum Corp., a leading manufacturer of hard disk drives for personal computers and workstations for the original equipment manufacturer marketplace.

Note to Editors: Harrdcard, Hardcard II, Hardcard II XL, Impulse and Passport are trademarks of Plus Development Corp.

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LOUISVILLE, Ky. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Skolniks Inc. (NASDAQ:SKNS -- Warrants:SKNWS) Monday announced that management had revised downward their

earning estimate for the fiscal year ended July 28, 1990.

Company officials said that accounting adjustments were anticipated in non-cash items such as depreciation, amortization, and deferred taxes which would reduce anticipated earnings. Write-offs of previously deferred pre-opening expenses relating to new restaurants are also expected to affect earnings.

''While we still are profitable for the year, these items will reduce our expected earnings,'' said Chairman, Joe R. Love. While no estimate was made on the actual year-end earnings, Love did say that the company expected to announce its year-end results in the next few days.

Skolniks operates and franchises 45 bakery restaurants under the name Skolniks Bagel Bakery Restaurants in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Illinois, New Jersey, Wisconsin, Maryland, Virginia, Kentucky, Iowa, Tennessee and Colorado.

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RENO, NEV. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - International Game Technology (NASDAQ:IGAM), announced that the board of directors has increased its stock repurchase authorization by an additional 1,500,000 shares to a total of 2,950,000 shares of its common stock.

To date, the company has purchased, pursuant to this program, 1,392,000 shares (approximately 300,000 of such repurchases being within the last two weeks).

The company also reported Oct. 19, 1990 that the anticipated losses announced Monday at 45 percent-owned Electronic Data Technologies will have an adverse effect on IGT's fourth quarter results. While the exact size of EDT's losses is not presently known, IGT nonetheless currently anticipates that its own fourth quarter and full year results will be within the range of most analysts' current estimates.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Tera Computer Co. announced Monday that Daniel J. Evans, former U.S. senator, has joined the board of directors of this emerging supercomputer firm.

Tera also announced it has been awarded a new contract for up to $1 million by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency to continue development of the company's general purpose supercomputer system. The new contract is in addition to a $1.8 million contract which funded initial development.

Evans served as U.S. senator from the state of Washington from 1983-1989. In 1988 he decided not to seek another term, and upon leaving the senate, formed a consulting firm, Daniel J. Evans Associates.

Evans was president of The Evergreen State College from 1977-1983 and was a three-term governor of the state of Washington, serving from 1965-1977. Prior to assuming elected office, Evans was a partner in the engineering firm of Gray and Evans. Evans received an M.S. degree in civil engineering from the University of Washington.

Besides his Tera directorship, Evans' current responsibilities include the positions of fellow at the Graduate School of Public Affairs at the University of Washington; chairman of the National Academy of Sciences Commission on Policy Options for Global Warming; and a director of Washington Mutual Savings Bank and McCaw Cellular Communications.

Tera Computer Co., headquartered in Seattle, is a supercomputer company with the charter to develop and deliver the most powerful general purpose supercomputer systems available. Currently in the development stage, Tera is designing a scalable shared memory system based on a proprietary parallel architecture that will allow the system to set new standards for computational performance and provide unsurpassed price/performance characteristics. Product availability is slated for late 1993.

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GOLETA, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Magnetics Corp. (NYSE:APM), the leading independent manufacturer of disk and tape heads for the computer industry, announced operating results for the fourth quarter and year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

William R. Anderson, president and chief executive officer, stated that the company's unaudited financial results reflect record sales of $105,514,000 for the quarter and $368,349,000 for the year. Sales for the fourth quarter are 30.6 percent above the fourth quarter last year.

Sales increased quarter by quarter throughout this year resulting in an overall 17.3 percent increase for the full year.

Net income for the fourth quarter was $1,452,000, or 9 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $6,158,000, or 39 cents per share, for the fourth quarter last year. Net loss for the year was $10.02 million, or 62 cents per share, compared with net income of $1,162,000, or 7 cents per share, in the prior year. This year-end figure includes a net provision of $15.5 million related to a customer involved in a bankruptcy filing.

A net reserve reduction of $300,000 is included in the fourth quarter income before tax, related to inventory recovery associated with this customer. Last year-end income figures included a provision of $7.5 million related to customers experiencing financial difficulties.

Backlog of open orders at Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $178,859,000 compared with $167.8 million at June 30, 1990, and $108.45 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Baker Hughes Inc. (NYSE, PSE, Zurich: BHI) President and Chief Executive Officer J.D. Woods Monday announced that the Baker Hughes board declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of $.115 per share of common stock payable Nov. 21, 1990, to holders of record Nov. 2, 1990.

Baker Hughes is a leading provider of products and services for the oil, gas and process industries.

Note: Not intended for distribution to beneficial holders.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - The ''Fall of The Wall,'' ''Oil Hostages'' and other topics covering the dramatic shifts in the global financial community will be discussed at the Third International Investing Seminar to be held Tuesday, Oct. 23, at 7:30 a.m. in the J.W. Marriott Hotel in Century City, and 12 noon in the Biltmore Hotel's Gold Room in downtown Los Angeles.

Sponsored by Northern Trust of California, the seminar will provide Southern California investors with timely insights into new international investing opportunities. Subjects to be discussed include:

o potential emerging markets as capital flows toward cheaper

labor and more stable political environments;

o the expansion of Asia and its key economic centers;

o the accelerated growth of Europe, with reduced market barriers

and the extension of capitalism to over 140 million new

consumers.

The media is invited to attend either seminar. For a copy of the invitation and a complete package of information, please contact John Lockhart at The Halsted Organization, 213/937-4000.

Northern Trust of California, a wholly-owned subsidiary, now manages over one billion dollars in assets for individuals, not-for-profit organizations and private businesses through its offices in Los Angeles, Newport Beach, San Diego, San Francisco and Santa Barbara.

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MENLO PARK, CA (OCT. 22) BIZWIRE - Objectivity Inc. Monday announced that it will market its engineering database management system, Objectivity/DB, for the IBM RISC System/6000 family.

Availability on the IBM RISC System/6000 extends Objectivity's unique support for distributed networks of heterogeneous workstations. Objectivity/DB provides automatic and transparent conversion of incompatible data formats between dissimilar systems.

Objectivity/DB currently supports Sun-3, Sun SPARCstation and DECstation families of computers and has announced support for VAX Ultrix and VAX VMS.

Objectivity's development efforts are in response to customer demand. ''The IBM RISC System/6000 is rapidly becoming a major platform for engineering computing and we are responding to customer requests with this port,'' said Bob Field, president of Objectivity.

''Bringing IBM RISC System/6000 users the advantages of Objectivity/DB is an important step towards Objectivity's goal of becoming the leader in engineering database management systems.''

''The performance of the RISC System/6000 and the functionality of Objectivity/DB combine to deliver a powerful platform for engineering applications,'' said Marilyn Miller, manager of electrical systems, industrial sector division, at IBM.

Beta testing of Objectivity/DB for the RISC System/6000 will take place during the fourth quarter of 1990 with production release planned for the first quarter of 1991.

Objectivity Inc., located at 800 El Camino Real, 4th Floor, Menlo Park, Calif. 94025, provides engineering database management software and support services worldwide. The marketing focus is on providing a foundation level DBMS with the specific functionality and performance demanded by the engineering and scientific markets.

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STOCKTON, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - California Financial Holding Co. (NASDAQ:CFHC), the parent company of Stockton Savings Bank, will pay a quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per share, payable on Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 1, 1990, it was announced by David K. Rea, chairman of the board and president.

Established in 1887, Stockton Savings Bank offers a full range of financial services at 24 branch locations throughout the Central San Joaquin Valley and the Sierra Foothills.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Materials Inc. Monday announced new aluminum etch capability with its single-wafer, multi-chamber Precision 5000 Etch system.

The addition of this aluminum etch process to the system's well-developed capabilities in single-crystal, polysilicon and silicon dioxide etching gives the Precision 5000 family of Etch systems the full range of etch technologies needed for the most advanced integrated circuits being designed today. At the time of introduction, orders have been received for six systems with metal

etch capability that had been shipped to beta site customers in the United States and Japan.

Applied Materials currently is a worldwide leader in metal etching with its Precision 8330 Etch system, which uses a ''hexode'' architecture for batch processing. Metal etch applications comprise about 30 percent of the estimated $600 million dry etch market in 1990, Wang stated. The Precision 5000 family of Etch and CVD systems currently has an installed base of well over 500 systems worldwide.

The new process uses a plasma etch technology that provides inherently anisotropic results and excellent uniformity across the wafer. The system first etches the wafer in an etch chamber, then automatically transfers the wafer under vacuum to a photoresist strip chamber, where the photoresist mask is removed. Chlorine presence in photoresist is a key contributor to corrosion in aluminum.

The photoresist strip chamber was jointly developed with GaSonics Inc., whose downstream microwave source technology provides the basis for the low-damage integrated stripping process.

The system's metal etch processes feature aluminum as well as barrier films, including TiN, Ti and TiW. Etch rate for aluminum is about 5000 A/minute.

With government restrictions on the use of chlorofluorocarbon-based (CFC) chemistries increasing worldwide, many etch system suppliers are faced with the problem of converting their processes to environmentally benign chemistries. Applied Materials uses no CFC-based gases in the new system's aluminum etch processes.

Applied Materials Inc. is a global growth company based in Santa Clara, Calif. and is the leading independent supplier of wafer fabrication systems to the worldwide semiconductor industry. It is a market leader in chemical vapor deposition (CVD), dry plasma etching and silicon deposition. The company is also a leading manufacturer of ion implantation and physical vapor deposition (PVD) systems.

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ENGLEWOOD, COLO. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - U S WEST (NYSE:USW) Monday announced a series of executive changes effective Nov. 1, 1990 in its headquarters unit and in its telephone subsidiary, U S WEST Communications.

A. Gary Ames, president and chief executive officer of U S WEST Communications said the moves will put in place most of his company's senior leadership team. He said the changes are the result of a major internal study of how to improve the company's responsiveness to customer needs.

The changes include:

- Charles M. Lamar, vice president-Strategic Marketing at U S WEST Inc., was named vice president-Strategy Development for U S WEST Communications, reporting to Ames. A replacement has not been named. - Winston J. Wade, vice president, U S WEST Inc., and president of the company's Information Technologies Group, was named vice president-Technical Services for U S WEST Communications.

- Jerry L. Johnson, vice president and general manager-Home and Personal Services, U S WEST Communications, was named the company's vice president-Network and Technologies, with responsibility for the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Utah and Montana.

Currently located in Phoenix, Johnson will relocate to Seattle. Linda Malloy, vice president-Sales for Home and Personal Services, will replace Johnson on an acting basis until a permanent successor is named.

- E. Reed Turnquist, currently vice president-Network Switching for U S WEST Communications, becomes vice president-Network and Technologies, with responsibility for Colorado, New Mexico, Wyoming and Arizona. Turnquist will remain in Denver.

Dennis J. Bock, vice president-Customer Services for U S WEST Communications, becomes vice president-Network and Technologies with responsibility for Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa and Nebraska. He will remain located in Minneapolis.

- Peggy R. Milford, vice president-Quality and Costs, U S WEST Communications, was named president-U S WEST Business Resources Inc., U S WEST's centralized purchasing and administrative support unit.

U S WEST owns U S WEST Communications and other companies involved in communications, data solutions, marketing services and financial services.

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OAKLAND, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Henry J. Salvo, 42, has been elected

vice president-controller, The Clorox Company (NYSE,PSE:CLX), effective Nov. 1.

The diversified manufacturer and marketer of household grocery products announced last August that Salvo would be elected to the post after completing responsibilities associated with the acquisition of the Pine-Sol cleaner and Combat insecticide brands. He succeeds Peter N. Louras, who was appointed vice president-international.

Salvo is an 18-year Clorox veteran. Prior to his most recent assignment as director of business development, he had served as controller for three of the company's operating units. Earlier, he had held management positions in the household products accounting function and in the corporate treasury department.

The Oakland native is a graduate of the University of California (Berkeley-BA, finance), and earned his MBA at California State University at Hayward. He and his family reside in Alamo.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Horizon Air announced Monday that it will increase its Sun Valley flights, expand its marketing agreement with Northwest Airlines to include Sun Valley, and offer reduced fares from Boise and Sun Valley to Salt Lake City starting Dec. 16.

Horizon will add a fifth Boise-Sun Valley flight, making more service available to those making connections in Boise to Sun Valley from other cities particularly in the Pacific Northwest and California. Moreover, Horizon will double its Seattle-Sun Valley weekend nonstop service from last year, with four nonstops on Saturday and three on Sunday during the ski season.

The added flights are due to a forecasted increase in demand as well as a significant improvement in winter operations. The latter is attributable to Horizon's unique, state-of-the-art Microwave Landing System (MLS) which has enabled Horizon to receive FAA approval for special ''landing minimums'' (the weather conditions required for landing) at the Sun Valley airport in Hailey.

Horizon is the only airline authorized to use the Sun Valley MLS and all of its 37-seat Boeing de Havilland Dash 8s are equipped for its use. The new approval is expected to increase reliability and on-time performance for Horizon's Sun Valley flights.

Passengers flying Northwest Airlines connecting to Horizon Air Sun Valley flights at Salt Lake City or Seattle will enjoy coordinated schedules,

money-saving fares, and one-stop check-in. They will receive their seat assignments and have their luggage checked to Sun Valley when they check-in at their origin city.

As an additional benefit, passengers can earn mileage in either the Alaska Airlines Mileage Plan or Northwest WORLDPERKS frequent flier program for the entire trip.

Horizon Air serves 34 cities throughout five Northwest states and British Columbia. Horizon and Alaska Airlines are wholly owned subsidiaries of Alaska Air Group Inc.

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SIGNAL HILL, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Ruth A. Martin, chairman of the board of Home Bank, Monday announced that the merger of The Torrance National Bank with and into Home Bank was consummated, effective Friday, Oct. 19, 6 p.m. PDT.

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Susan Monsoor, 213/988-9691

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CUPERTINO, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - The Opus Systems Technology Group announced Monday a manufacturing kit licensing program that allows manufacturers, system integrators and OEMs to manufacture their own Sun Microsystems SPARCstation-compatible workstations.

The Opus Systems Technology Group designed the fully compatible motherboard and ported the SunOS operating system and all other system software to the design.

In a related announcement Monday, Opus Systems Commercial Group announced a broad product line of SPARC-compatible Personal Mainframe products including turnkey desktop workstations and servers, PC add-in boards, and a system motherboard product.

Several major PC manufacturers and distributors that have already purchased manufacturing kits are expected to announce their SPARC-compatible workstations in the upcoming weeks, with mass distribution shortly thereafter.

The manufacturing kit, available from Opus Systems and authorized Opus Systems

resellers, consists of hardware and software components. The software binary distribution tape includes SunOS 4.1, SunView 1.8, C Compiler, NFS, TCP/IP and all SunOS utilities.

The hardware components of the kit include a fully functional motherboard, a bare PCB, film, schematics assembly drawing, FAB drawings, gerber tape and complete bill of materials. The motherboard includes the LSI Logic SparKIT processor chip set announced in March of this year. The one-time price for the manufacturing kit is $25,000.

Like the manufacturing kit, the new Opus Personal Mainframe workstation, server, add-in and motherboard products are 100 percent binary compatible with Sun Microsystems' SPARC family and support the SunOS operating system, SBus peripherals and more than 2,000 SPARCware software applications.

The products will be sold through existing PC/DOS sales channels, targeted primarily at commercial applications.

Opus Vice President of Marketing Tom Lacey stated: ''The availability of SPARCstation-compatible operating system software will facilitate the delivery of a large number of low-cost, high performance, SPARC-compatible workstations built upon the framework of personal computer systems.

Opus Systems, founded in 1983, is dedicated to providing leading edge technology with ease of use through the combination of workstation performance with PC packaging. The products are sold by OEM's, resellers, and a direct sales force both domestically and internationally. Opus Systems is headquartered at Cupertino. Telephone: 408/446-2110.

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SAN MATEO, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Principal Maturity Trust (NYSE:FPT), a closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers Inc., today announced a monthly dividend of 7.25 cents ($.0725) per share payable on Nov. 15 to shareholders of record Oct. 31.

Franklin Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $43 billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.7 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, Calif. 94404.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Meridian Software Systems Inc.'s newest product, AdaZ breaks down the price and functionality barriers to mainstream Ada use.

AdaZ is the first validated, non-restricted, fully featured Ada development system to be offered for under $500.

AdaZ is an Ada development system that provides a programming environment and tool set similar to many popular software programs today, such as Turbo Pascal and Microsoft C. Its ''DOS-like'' programming environment is designed for exceptional ease of use, via a menu-driven, multiwindowed interface, from which any tool or compiler operation may be invoked.

Ada was originally developed in the mid 1970s to help the government standardize on a common language and help control runaway maintenance costs. Since then its reputation for producing programs that are reliable, reusable and easy to maintain has generated interest beyond government usage. Focused Ada Research, a market research firm, estimated that the Ada market surpassed $1 billion in 1989.

AdaZ is a serious compilation system that offers a fast, efficient, complete, production-quality, validated Ada compiler/a. The package includes the following: the Ada Compiler Environment; a menu driven, multiwindow interface tightly integrated with the compliation system; the DOS environment library; a language sensitive editor; an online language reference manual; a complete set of development tools, including an automatic recompilation tool; a source level Ada specific debugger; library management tools; utility libraries; graphics interface; and friendly documentation.

As an introductory offer, AdaZ is now available directly from Meridian for $149. This introductory price will be offered for 60 days, thereafter AdaZ will list for $495. AdaZ will be demonstrated at the TRI-Ada show held in Baltimore, Dec. 4-6.

AdaZ requires an IBM PC, PS/2 or compatible using MS-DOS version 2.1 or higher. It requires 640K of RAM and a hard disk. The product is available in the 3.5-inch or 5.25-inch diskettes.

Meridian Software Systems, founded in 1981, is the leader in desktop development systems. Continuing its tradition of firsts, AdaZ joins other company product lines including Meridian Ada for the PC (DOS and 386IX), Macintosh (Finder and A/UX), DECstation (ULTRIX), VAX (ULTRIX and VMS), Sun (SUN OS) and Stardent Titan (UNIX) platforms.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - First Republic Bancorp Inc. (ASE/PSE:FRC) Monday reported its results for the third quarter of 1990.

Net income in the third quarter of 1990 was $1,192,000, an increase of 346 percent over net income of $267,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Quarterly earnings were 32 cents per share in 1990, up 300 percent compared with 8 cents per share for the like quarter in 1989. For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net interest income was $4,248,000, up 111 percent compared to $2,014,000 for third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, First Republic reported net income of $2,510,000, up 231 percent from $759,000 during the first nine months of 1989. For the nine-month period, earnings per share were 70 cents in 1990, up 218 percent compared to 22 cents per share a year ago.

Consolidated assets were $669,959,000 at Sept. 30, 1990. Substantially all of the company's $547,757,000 loan portfolio consists of adjustable rate, first trust deed, California and Nevada real estate secured loans.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, loans and investments over 90 days delinquent had declined to $2,135,000, or less than 1/3 of 1 percent of total assets. The company owned no foreclosed assets.

First Republic continues to maintain a strong capital base. At Sept. 30, 1990 total capital and reserves of $59,320,000 represented 8.9 percent of total assets.

First Republic originated $100 million of loans in the third quarter and has originated a total of $252 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

During 1989, loan originations in the third quarter were $88 million and were $224 million for the first nine months. Real estate loans serviced for third-party investors were $551 million at Sept. 30, 1990, up from $426 million at Dec. 31, 1989.

First Republic Bancorp Inc. functions as both a mortgage banker and direct lender through its two California-chartered FDIC-insured industrial banking subsidiaries, First Republic Thrift & Loan (San Francisco and Los Angeles) and

First Republic Thrift & Loan of San Diego, and a mortgage banking subsidiary in Las Vegas.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Hyundai is expanding its line of monitors with the introduction of two new VGA models: the HMM-202 12-inch monochrome, and the HCM-402B color VGA with .39mm dot pitch.

The HMM-202 is priced at $179, the HCM-402B at $499 (both prices are suggested retail). Both models are available immediately. The HMM-202 monochrome VGA

Hyundai's HMM-202 can be used as an economical, high quality monitor with any IBM PS/2 or PC compatible personal computer. Its competitive price makes it a feasible choice for any PC user, and its high resolution is ideal for graphics users not requiring a color display.

The HMM-202 features a 12-inch non-glare screen with paper white display, and an ergonomic tilt and swivel stand. It offers three resolution modes: 640 by 480, 720 by 400, or 720 by 350 pixels. And, it supports 64 grey scales. The HCM-402B color VGA

Hyundai's HCM-402B has a 14-inch screen with .39mm dot pitch, and offers three resolution modes: 640 by 480, 720 by 400, or 720 by 350 pixels. The HCM-402B is IBM PS/2 and PC compatible. It features a non-glare dark face screen, with ergonomic tilt and swivel stand.

In addition to the new HCM-402B and HMM-202, Hyundai's monitor family includes the HCM-402C 14-inch color VGA monitor with 0.31 dot pitch; the HMM-1900, a 19-inch one megapixel double-page monochrome monitor; and a selection of 12-inch and 14-inch TTL monochrome displays.

Hyundai Electronics America is a major supplier of a full line of quality, reliable monitors and personal computer products that are competitively priced.

Hyundai is located at 166 Baypointe Parkway, San Jose, CA 95134; phone 408/473-9200.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Hyundai is introducing a new model 16MHz 80386SX personal computer, the Super-386SE.

The new Super-386SE is 8/16MHz switchable, with 0 wait state. It comes with 2MB RAM installed, and can be expanded to 16MB with 1MB SIMM modules and an 8MB memory board. It features support for EMS LIM 3.2 and 4.0, five expansion slots (one 8-bit, four 16-bit), two serial and one parallel port, and includes MS-DOS 4.01. Models are available with hard disk drive options of 40, 100 and 200MB.

The Super-386SE is compatible with OS/2, Windows 3.0 and MS-DOS applications. It is a reliable, versatile system for users wanting to run 80386 applications without having to pay the higher price of a full 80386 machine. According to Dan Lott, Hyundai's director of Marketing, the Super-386SE is undergoing certification by Novell for use as a LAN workstation or file server.

The Super-386SE has 64KB ROM, expandable to 128K. An IDE hard disk drive interface, floppy drive controller and clock/calendar are built in. It includes a 135-watt power supply and a 101-key keyboard.

The Super-386SE has space for three drives: two half-height drives and one slim-line type. The basic system includes a 5.25-inch 1.2MB floppy drive. A 40, 100 or 200MB hard drive is optional. An 80387SX math coprocessor can be added.

Price -- The suggested retail price of the Super-386SE starts at $1,595 for the single floppy drive model; $2,195 with 40MB hard drive; $2,795 with 100MB hard drive; and $3,295 with 200BM hard drive. It is available immediately.

As are all Hyundai personal computer products, the Super-386SE is covered by Hyundai's 18-month warranty, one of the longest in the industry.

Hyundai Electronics America is a major supplier of a full line of quality, reliable personal computer products that are competitively priced.

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ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Inland Bancorp (NASDAQ:PIBC) Monday announced that Timothy McLoughlin has been appointed vice president, marketing, at its Pacific Inland Bank subsidiary.

In his capacity within the bank's financial services division, McLoughlin will assist in the continued development and implementation of marketing programs directed at the title and escrow industry. He has extensive sales and sales management experience in that industry and has held increasingly responsible sales and marketing positions for the past 17 years, primarily in Ventura County and throughout Southern California.

He most recently served as vice president/sales manager at North American Title Co. from 1986 to 1990. Prior to holding that position, McLoughlin was senior vice president/marketing director at Fidelity National Title Insurance Co.

Pacific Inland Bancorp is a financial services holding company with headquarters in Anaheim. The Bancorp is comprised of Pacific Inland Bank, a business and professional bank based in Anaheim; Trident Investment Management a registered investment advisor, also based in Anaheim; and PIB Mortgage Co., a wholesale mortgage banking operation with branch offices in San Jose and Anaheim.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Americus Funding Corp. (OTC Pink Sheets:AFC) announced Monday that it has filed a post-effective amendment to the company's registration statement in order to call all of its outstanding warrants.

The tentative date for the call of the warrants will be Dec. 31, 1990.

AFC has suspended the exercise of all its outstanding warrants until this post-effective amendment has been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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#90295b0178 10/22/1990 ~Business Wire
FREMONT, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Sigma Designs Inc. (NASDAQ:SIGM) Monday announced that it will integrate into each of its monochrome and grayscale display products the proprietary circuitry used to reduce electromagnetic field (EMF) radiation typical to all CRT-based monitors and display systems.

It is the first time in the personal computer industry that low-EMF technology has been offered as a standard feature on both Macintosh and IBM-compatible computer monitors.

In July, Sigma brought its low-radiation products developed for Swedish consumers to the American market and made them available through its U.S. dealers at $200 above suggested retail prices. Beginning Nov. 15, 1990, Sigma will offer its proprietary Low-Emissions technology at no additional cost in its entire line of monochrome and grayscale products for Macintosh and IBM-compatible computers.

The monitors will bear Sigma's Low-Emissions logo and are targeted at the desktop publishing, document imaging and standard office markets.

Over the last two decades, researchers have focused on the potential health hazards of EMFs from many electronic devices, including power lines, electric blankets, and computer monitors and video display terminals. Some have attempted to link the exposure of EMFs emitted by electrically powered systems to specific health problems, including cancer and miscarriage. (A bibliography of related studies is available from Sigma.)

Sigma also today announced the availability of PageView GS, a 15-inch monitor for Macintosh that offers all the basic capabilities of the Apple Portrait 15-inch monitor and is priced at $899. It is the first Macintosh monitor to offer Sigma's Low-Emissions technology as a standard feature.

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#90295b0183 10/22/1990 ~Business Wire
WEST ALLIS, WIS. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Sullivan Dental Products Inc. (NASDAQ:SULL), a Milwaukee based distributor of dental supplies and dental equipment, Monday reorted sales of $12,191,000 for its third quarter ended Sept. 30., 1990, compared to sales of $9,033,000 for its third quarter ended

Sept. 30, 1989, an increase of 35 percent.

Sales for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $33,887,000 compared to sales totaling $24,575,000 during the like period in 1989, an increase of 38 percent. Increased sales were due to internal growth and the addition of new sales representatives. Sales for the quarter include the results of Dentequip Inc., a Sacramento, Calif., based distributor of dental supplies and dental equipment acquried July 2.

The company reported net income of $557,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 36 percent increase over net income of $409,000 during the like period in 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,561,000, a 46 percent increase over net income of $1,066,000 during the like period in 1989.

For the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1989, based upon 2,475,000 average shares outstanding, earnings per share were 17 cents. For the corresponding three month period in 1990, based upon the like 2,475,000 average shares outstanding, earnings per share would have been 23 cents. Based upon 3,519,000 average shares outstanding, earnings per share were 16 cents.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989, based upon 2,475,000 avarage shares outstanding, earnings per share were 43 cents. For the corresponding nine month period in 1990, based upon the like 2,475,000 average shares outstanding, earnings per share would have been 63 cents. Based upon 3,090,000 average shares outstanding, earnings per share were 51 cents.

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SANTA ANA, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - California Commercial Bankshares (OTC), parent of National Bank of Southern California, Monday reported that its net income increased 20 percent to $800,641 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with income of $665,670 for the third quarter last year.

Earnings per share increased 9 percent from 32 cents per share in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, to 35 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Per-share information gives effect to the 3-for-2 stock split paid July 16, 1990, to shareholders of record June 29, 1990.

Income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 42 percent to $2,408,263 and earnings per share increased 32 percent for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Total assets increased 22 percent to $330,177,376 compared with assets of $270,287,918 one year ago. Shareholders' equity increased to $16.52 million from $13.18 million at the end of the third quarter last year.

William Jacoby, president and chief executive officer of California Commercial Bankshares, said: ''The amount of the solid third-quarter earnings was very similar to the results posted during the first two quarters of this year. The net income increase was again due to the substantial increase in earning assets in the company's primary subsidiary, National Bank of Southern California.''

California Commercial Bankshares is a publicly traded bank holding company which owns 100 percent of National Bank of Southern California. The Bank has regional offices in Santa Ana, El Toro and Orange and specializes in serving businesses, professionals and the real estate industry.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Monday announced the TPX400(sm), an X.400 messaging switch that will allow large organizations with multiple electronic messaging systems to exchange messages through a single communications processor.

Without the TPX400, organizations with several different messaging systems must use costly dedicated lines or a public electronic messaging service to communicate. The TPX400 allows those disparate systems to exchange X.400-formatted messages directly with one another through routing and delivery schemes they can control.

It complements existing messaging systems, including US Sprint's Telemail(R) systems, by offloading the processing of X.400 messages to a specialized system.

The TPX400 is based on the 1984 CCITT-recommended X.400 standard for universal message exchange. It is designed to work with all X.400-based electronic messaging systems in either local area network (LAN) or wide area network (WAN) environments. This includes interconnecting office automation systems and large distributed electronic mail networks such as US Sprint's Telemail(R) systems.

The TPX400 functions within a private electronic messaging network much like an X.25-based packet switch in a data communications network. The TPX400 allows disparate electronic mail systems to efficiently route traffic via

point-to-point leased circuits, LANs, WANs and dial-up telephone connections.

The TPX400 provides private network users a single communications concentrator through which multiple messaging networks can be interconnected and resources can be maximized.

It offers dynamic alternate routing capabilities, store-and-forward functions that take advantage of off-peak transmission times, and acts as a front-end processor to protect the data integrity of the host computers that are connected to it.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City.

UNIX is a registered trademark of AT&T.

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PICKERINGTON, OH (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - R.G. Barry Corp. (AMEX:RGB) Monday reported a loss of $1,280,000, or 35 cents for the third quarter ended Sept. 22.

Last year in the third quarter the company had earnings of $2,120,000, or 57 cents per share.

Third quarter sales totaled $27,483,000 vs. $38,731,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months Barry lost of $7,359,000 or $1.98 per share vs. earnings of $536,000 or 14 cents per share in 1989. Nine month sales were $47,906,000 against $73,252,000 for the comparable period last year.

R.G. Barry Corp. manufactures soft washable slippers and footwear for at and around the home. Its brand lines include Dearfoams, Madye's, Snug Treds and slipper products under the licensed Capezio, Cannon and Oscar de la Renta names.

R.G. Barry Corp.
Consolidated Quarterly Report
3rd Quarter and Nine Months 1990 & 1989
(In thousands, except Earnings Per Share)

	Third Quarter		Nine Months	
	13 Weeks	13 Weeks	38 Weeks	38 Weeks

	9/22/90	9/23/89	9/22/90	9/23/89
Net sales	$27,483	$38,731	$47,906	$73,252
Net earnings (loss) before income taxes	(1,831)	3,462	(11,910)	908
Income taxes (benefit)	(551)	1,342	(4,551)	372
Net earnings (loss)	(1,280)	2,120	(7,359)	536
Earnings (loss) per share	(35 cents)	57 cents	($1.98)	14 cents
Average number of shares outstanding	3,715	3,719	3,718	3,721

NOTE: These interim financial statements are unaudited. All adjustments have been made, which in the opinion of management, are necessary to fairly present the results of operations for the period.

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FREMONT, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Focus Information Systems Inc. announced Monday the 2theMax 486I motherboard for IBM 486 PCs and compatibles.

The 2theMax 486I represents Focus' initial entry into the IBM 486 motherboard marketplace. The product will be available in early December of 1990.

With a flexible burst secondary cache expandable from 64K to 128K to 256K, the 2theMax 486I uses the latest Intel CPU-486 technology to enhance board performance. Significant features include Weitek 4167 coprocessor support and up to 32MB of on-board memory.

''The 2theMax 486I provides manufacturers and users of 486-based PCs and compatibles with a superset of features not found in most competitor boards,'' said Jose Shen, Focus' vice-president of engineering.

''What we are seeing in the 486 PC market place is a need for maximum performance in many applications, such as computer-aided design, and UNIX or Novell file servers. The 2theMax 486I motherboard with attributes such as built in secondary cache memory will significantly contribute to that performance,'' added Shen.

The 2theMax 486I is accompanied by a one year guarantee and a seven-day turn-around service program. Focus also provides telephone support for the 2theMax 486I.

The 25MHz 2theMax 4861 with a 128K secondary cache retails for $2,800. The

33MHz with a 128K secondary cache retails for $2,950.

Located in Fremont, Focus Information Systems Inc. is a two-year-old manufacturer and designer of high-resolution Super VGA cards; and, ISA and EISA 486 motherboards. By using state-of-the-art surface mount technology, Focus delivers low-cost, high-performance products to the distributor, reseller and OEM markets.

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IRVINE, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Each time Mr. Fax customers order paper for their fax machines, the Irvine company is sending a tin of Famous Amos Homestyle Cookies to a soldier in the Persian Gulf.

Sent with the cookies is a personalized note from the Mr. Fax customer.

Companies wishing to send cookies to a soldier can call Mr. Fax toll-free at 800/262-8214 (in California call 714/830-9861).

Olive Kaplanis, a Mr. Fax customer in Sacramento, said, ''Our office has to order fax paper anyway and this is a great opportunity to do something nice for a G.I.''

California state Assemblyman Gil Ferguson, decorated combat veteran of three wars, said: ''Support on the home front by sending care packages does wonders for morale. The effort by Mr. Fax and other patriotic Americans is an example of the good that comes out of the people of this nation when faced with a crisis.''

Mr. Fax manufactures and sells fax paper to more than 60,000 American businesses.

''Mr. Fax customers are showing support for all American men and women assigned to the Persian Gulf region. We hope this will help brighten the spirits of the G.I.'s,'' said Mr. Fax Marketing Manager Kristie Schwab.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Monday announced two new enhancements to its SprintMail(sm) electronic messaging service: a SprintMail news clipping service and Mac SprintMail, a communications software package geared specifically for the Apple(R) Macintosh(R) family of personal computers.

The SprintMail news clipping service allows SprintMail users to custom-design a news clipping profile which will bring the latest newswire information right to their SprintMail mailboxes.

The service ''filters,'' from some 15 international news services, only those stories of interest to the user. The SprintMail news service scans approximately 6,000 daily newswire stories for domestic and international news market, weather and sports information, SEC filings and feature stories which match the user's profile.

The pre-selected stories are automatically delivered to the user's SprintMail mailbox, usually within minutes after the wire services post the news. Upon receipt, the SprintMail news clipping service formats and distributes high-priority stories.

There is no monthly charge for the SprintMail clipping service. Users will be billed only for normal character and access charges, the same as incurred when receiving any SprintMail electronic message.

Mac SprintMail lets Macintosh users access SprintMail through familiar commands, and offers word processing capabilities that allow them to reduce communications costs.

Mac SprintMail offers a single, user-friendly interface through which users can compose electronic messages off-line, reducing on-line service charges. Mac SprintMail, scheduled for release in January 1991, also will allow users to send fax, telex and hard copy messages right from their Macintosh PCs.

A unique Mac SprintMail feature allows users to combine ASCII and binary files within a single message. For example, an engineer working on a Macintosh in Chicago would be able to send a proposal containing both text and schematics to a colleague in New York, in one Mac SprintMail document.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City, Mo.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Cleveland-Cliffs Inc. today reported earnings, before special items, of $1.7 million, or 15 cents per common share, for the third quarter of 1990. Comparable earnings in the third quarter of 1989 were $16.9 million, or $1.46 a share.

For the first nine months of 1990, the Company recorded earnings, before special items, of $22.4 million, or $1.92 a share, versus comparable earnings of $40.4 million, or $3.49 a share in the first nine months of 1989.

The decline in third quarter operating results was mainly due to the strike on Aug. 1 by hourly employees of the Empire and Tilden mine partnerships which are managed by Cliffs in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. The continuing work stoppage resulted in idle costs, lower royalty and management fee income, and lower sales profit.

The decline in nine month operating results was caused by the third quarter strike, plus lower sales and production volumes and higher operating costs in the first half of 1990 due mainly to the Tilden magnetite pellet production plan and start-up problems. These factors were partly offset by lower net interest expense.

Including the special items, 1990 third quarter net income was $4.2 million or 36 cents per share, versus $16.5 million or $1.42 a share in 1989, and 1990 nine-month net income was $23.8 million or $2.04 cents a share, versus $47.3 million, or $4.08 a share in 1989.

Cliffs-managed mines in North America produced 25.1 million tons of pellets in the first nine months of 1990 versus 30.0 million tons in the first nine months of 1989. Third quarter production was 7.1 million tons in 1990 versus 9.7 million tons in 1989. Lower production for the first nine months was due to the strike at Empire and Tilden Mines, a programmed decrease in production at the Tilden Mine, and the closing of the Sherman and Adams Mines in Ontario, Canada on March 31, 1990. Lower production for the quarter was caused mainly by the strike.

Cliffs' total operating revenues from continuing operations were $89.6 million and $232.3 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990, respectively. These compare with revenues of $94.8 million and $262.4 million in the corresponding 1989 periods. Pellet sales in the first nine months of 1990 were 5.0 million tons compared with 5.6 million tons in 1989. Third quarter sales were 2.2 million tons in 1990 versus 2.0 million tons in 1989.

Subsidiaries of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc manage six iron ore mines in North America and Australia. The Company holds a major iron ore reserve position in the United States and is a substantial iron ore merchant.

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ST. GEORGE, UT (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - SkyWest (NASDAQ:SKYW), The Delta Connection, announced that September traffic reached 17.4 million revenue passenger miles, a 7.7 percent increase over the same period in 1989.

Available seat miles were up 18 percent to 45.8 million miles resulting in a 38 percent load factor for the month. SkyWest airline boarded 87,900 passengers during September.

Commenting on the statistics, Ron Reber, vice president of sales and market planning, said: ''Our September traffic was adversely affected by both the economic situation and the Middle East crisis. The recent fare increases are forcing our business customer to closely evaluate and possibly eliminate all nonessential travel.

''We are managing our seat inventory with guarded precision and in an attempt to provide the right mix of coach, discount and deeply discounted seats for our customers. Our October traffic appears to be stabilizing directly reflecting the mood of the business community.''

SkyWest Airlines is a Delta carrier providing scheduled air service to 43 cities in eight western states. The regional airline recently announced that it had signed an interim agreement to purchase 20 Saab 2000 regional jetprop aircraft. Delivery for the high-speed 50-passenger aircraft is scheduled to begin in 1994. The aircraft will supplement SkyWest's existing fleet of Fairchild Metros and Embraer EMB-120s.

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PALO ALTO, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Collagen Corp. Monday announced first quarter earnings of $479,000, or 5 cents per share, on total product revenues of $15,783,000.

This compares to earnings of $859,000, or 10 cents per share, on product revenues of $12,438,000 for the first quarter of FY 1990.

The decline in income is attributable principally to the decision by Bristol-Myers Squibb in July 1990 not to renew a joint development program with the company's Celtrix Laboratories subsidiary.

First quarter revenues at Collagen Biomedical were $13,223,000, while revenues at the Target Therapeutics subsidiary totaled $2,465,000. Compared to the like period last year, revenues at these two divisions increased by 27 percent.

In late September, the company announced that continued ownership of its Celtrix Laboratories subsidiary would reduce earnings during the first half of FY 1991 to approximately half of last year's income. Without Celtrix and excluding a one-time payment during the first quarter of FY 1990, the company's operating income would have shown a 34 percent increase over the prior year period.

Collagen Corp. develops, manufactures and markets biomedical implants for the augmentation and repair of aged or damaged tissues, and specialized catheter systems for the treatment of neurovascular disorders.

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SCOTTS VALLEY, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Seagate Technology Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SGAT) Monday reported net sales of $630,006,000 and net income of $13,930,000, or 22 cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, include the operations of Imprimis Technology (''Imprimis''). Imprimis, the former disc drive and related technologies subsidiary of Control Data Corp., was purchased by the company effective Oct. 2, 1989. The acquisition has been treated as a purchase for accounting purposes.

Seagate is the world's leading supplier of disc storage products to original equipment manufacturers and remarketers.

SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY INC.
Financial Highlights
(In thousands, except per share amounts and percent data)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$630,006	$378,892
Gross profit	113,369	69,549

As a percent of sales	18.0 pct	18.4 pct
Income before taxes	18,329	30,040
Income tax provision	4,399	6,608
Net income: Amount	$ 13,930	$ 23,432
As a percent of sales	2.2 pct	6.2 pct
Net income per share	22 cents	45 cents
Number of shares used in per share computation	64,475	51,783

The Financial Highlights for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, include the results of operations of Imprimis Technology which was acquired by Seagate Technology on Oct. 2, 1989.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - McGaw Inc., formerly known as Kendall-McGaw Laboratories Inc., begins operations Monday as an autonomous company for the first time in four decades, following the acquisition of this Irvine-based manufacturer of fluid, drug-delivery and nutritional products from Kendall Co. of Boston.

''McGaw returns to its roots today as an independently owned company,'' said James M. Sweeney, who headed the investor group that purchased the company and who will serve as chairman and chief executive officer. ''We are now completely responsible for our own destiny and success.''

McGaw Begins on Solid Footing

Financing for the transaction was secured with the assistance of Alex. Brown & Sons in Baltimore and Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities in New York, both highly respected investment bankers. Debt financing was provided by some of the nation's most prominent companies and their subsidiaries, including Wells Fargo Bank, General Electric, Equitable Life, General Motors and Security Pacific Bank.

Sweeney, Alex. Brown, Donaldson, Lukin & Jenrette, Equitable Life, General Motors, General Electric and Wells Fargo also provided equity funding, as did two venture-capital funds, Ventana Growth Funds and Enterprise Partners.

''The fact that this transaction has been successfully consummated with such favorable financing is an extremely positive reflection on the strength of the new management team and the company's capitalization,'' said Thompson Dean, senior vice president of Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette.

Added Rick Bryant, managing director of Alex. Brown: ''Jim Sweeney has a proven track record of success. We have great confidence that he will make McGaw a top player in the fluid, drug-delivery and nutritional support products business.'' Sweeney Returns ''Home''

Sweeney already possesses considerable familiarity with McGaw. He was the marketing director at American-McGaw in the 1970s. In 1979 he left to form Home Healthcare of America, the nation's first home infusion therapy company, whose name was later changed to Caremark Inc.

Caremark went public in 1983, and was subsequently sold in 1987 to Baxter International for $586 million. In 1988 Sweeney left Caremark to form Add Value Partners, a private investment firm.

''Our industry is ready for alternative ways of doing business, and McGaw is well positioned to provide a new direction and approach,'' said Sweeney. ''We will be a marketing-oriented, customer-driven company that will capitalize upon our size, agility and entrepreneurial spirit to respond quickly to changes in the marketplace to meet our customers' needs.''

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - International CMOS Technology Inc. (ICT) (OTC, Pink Sheets) Monday announced the immediate availability of two new speed enhanced PEEL (Programmable Electrically Erasable Logic) Arrays supporting system clock rates approaching 60 MHz.

PEEL Arrays, a family of ''multi-level'' PLDs (Programmable Logic Devices), offer a hybrid solution between FPGA (Field Programmable Gate Arrays) and traditional PLDs. PEEL Array architectures combine the logic cell flexibility of FPGAs, with the ''wide-gate'' speed performance of traditional PLDs, in a mid-range density and pin-count.

The new PEEL Arrays, the PA7024P-1 and PA7024J-1 in 24 pin DIP and 28 pin PLCC packages respectively, have 20 I/Os (with register/latch), 2 input/system-clocks, and 20 burried logic control cells. Each cell can be user configured to have D, T or JK registers with independent or global clocks presets and resets.

With two outputs per cell the PA7024 can implement up to 40 output logic functions, 20 of which can be burried for multi-level logic.

''The multi-level logic architecture of PEEL Arrays make them ideal for

integrating multiple low density PLDs plus random logic without the performance loss encountered with FPGAs,'' stated Robin Jigour, ICT's director of Marketing.

''Designs currently requiring 'PLD to PLD' interconnections can now be integrated into our new PEEL Arrays taking advantage of 13ns combinatorial delays and 58.8 MHz clock rates for wide binary counters and state machines.''

PEEL Arrays are one of a new breed of ''multi-level'' PLDs that have emerged over the last year. Others include Altera's MAX and AMD's MACH.

''We're often asked how PEEL Arrays compare,'' said Jigour, ''It's fairly simple, the MAX architecture sacrifices speed for flexibility, and MACH sacrifices flexibility for speed. PEEL Arrays provide both speed and flexibility eliminating design trade-offs.''

The PA7024P-1 and the PA7024J-1 are currently available in commercial versions and are priced at $16.67 and $17.42 respectively in 1,000-piece quantities. Development support is provided with ICT's PLACE Advanced Development Software, PDS-1 PEEL Development System as well as third party programmer manufacturers.

International CMOS Technology Inc. (ICT) designs, manufactures and markets user programmable integrated circuits. ICT's products include a variety of memory and logic devices, and the development tools for designing with user programmable products. ICT is publicly owned.

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CARPINTERIA, Calif. (OCT 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Sound Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DGSD) Monday announced that its board of directors has authorized the company to repurchase up to 2.85 million shares of common stock for cash in the open market, or in negotiated or block transactions, from time to time as market and business conditions warrant.

The company has approximately 17.7 million shares outstanding.

A portion of the repurchased shares may be used for the company's employee benefit plans, and the balance will be available for other general corporate purposes. No time limit was set for the completion of the program.

Bryan Grummon, the company's president, stated that the board decided to pursue this course of action after a review of the company's financial position. ''Under current market conditions, we may have an opportunity to

buy back our shares at what we believe are attractive levels.''

Digital Sound Corp. designs, manufactures and markets general purpose voice processing platforms for voice messaging, interactive voice response and other applications. For further information, contact Eugene F. Hovanec, vice president-finance and chief financial officer, Digital Sound Corp., 6307 Carpinteria Ave., Carpinteria, Calif. 93013, telephone 805/566-2000.

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SALISBURY, N.C. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Omni Capital Group Inc. (NASDAQ:OCGI) Monday announced financial results for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income rose 27.8 percent to $1,392,000, or 55 cents per share, compared with net income of $1,089,000, or 43 cents per share, in the same period last year.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $534,180,000, (an increase of 3.8 percent over 1989), net loans and mortgage-backed securities were $474,918,000, (an increase of 5.6 percent over 1989), and deposit accounts were $449,721,000, (an increase of 4.1 percent over 1989). Total stockholders' equity was $55,785,000, or 10.4 percent of total assets as of Sept. 30, 1990.

Commenting on the results, David B. Jordan, president and chief executive officer, said: ''In light of recent happenings in some financial institutions we are pleased with the strength and quality of Omni's results for the first quarter.

''Our continued earnings growth is attributable to an increased net interest income margin and operating efficiences resulting from our merger/conversion transactions.''

Omni's asset quality remained extremely high, with non-performing assets amounting to approximately 0.5 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1990.

Jordan also announced that on Oct. 18, 1990, the board of directors of Omni declared a quarterly cash dividend of 7 cents per share payable on Nov. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 29, 1990.

Omni Capital Group Inc., is a multi-thrift holding company headquartered in Salisbury, with three wholly owned subsidiaries: Home Federal Savings Bank of Salisbury, Citizens Savings, FSB of Concord, and Home Federal Savings Bank of Kings Mountain.

Home Federal-Salisbury serves Salisbury and the surrounding area through its home office and two full service branch locations, Citizens serves the Concord Kannapolis, and Harrisburg markets through its main office and four full service branch locations, and Home Federal-Kings Mountain serves Kings-Mountain, Gastonia and Bessemer City through its home office and two full service branch locations.

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FULLERTON, CALIF. (OTC. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Beckman Instruments Inc. (NYSE:BEC) reported Monday sales of $201 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 7.7 percent from the same period a year ago.

Sales for the first nine months of the year were $589.4 million, compared with $586.2 million in 1989.

Net earnings for the third quarter were $9.6 million, a 2 percent increase from 1989. Earnings per share remained constant at 33 cents. Earnings for the first nine months were $26.2 million, or 91 cents per share, compared with $31.5 million, or $1.11 per share in the year-ago period.

During the third quarter Beckman began taking orders for the Synchron CX7 clinical chemistry system, the largest member of the company's modular family of blood-chemistry analyzers, and for the Array 360 system, which performs sophisticated analyses of circulating proteins. Delivery of both will begin in 1991.

These and other new products are the result of Beckman's ongoing investment in research and development, which totaled $59.7 million during the first nine months of the year, a 17 percent increase year to year.

Sales revenues thus far in 1990 have been affected by budget limitations among publicly funded research laboratories and by a trend among clinical laboratories toward leasing rather than outright purchase of instrument systems.

Lou Rosso, president and chief executive officer, said: ''Among users of bioanalytical research instruments, the fact that there have been fewer research grants available in the United States has meant fewer purchases of new instruments.

Beckman Instruments develops, manufactures and markets automated systems and supplies used for biological analysis in laboratories for research, quality control and clinical diagnostics. The company has 7,100 employees in 36

facilities throughout the world and operates in more than 120 countries.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - The directors of Great Western Financial Corp. Monday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 21 cents per common share, or 84 cents per common share on an annualized basis.

The quarterly dividend will be paid Nov. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 5, 1990.

Great Western, with $40 billion in assets, operates 1,000 mortgage lending, retail banking and consumer finance offices nationwide.

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ALAMEDA, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Ithaca Software has appointed Glen D. Vondrick as vice president of sales and marketing.

Prior to joining Ithaca Software, Vondrick was vice president, sales of the Computer-Aided Design Group (CADG), a leading supplier to the Fortune 500 of facilities management software. Vondrick joined CADG as one of its first salesmen during its start-up phase. Four years later, he led a worldwide sales organization of professionals to record sales.

Vondrick's earlier experience over the last 12 years, includes senior sales and marketing management positions at Prime Computer Inc., Pyramid Technology Corp. and Honeywell Information Systems.

Vondrick received his bachelor of science in public management from the University of Arizona.

''Glen Vondrick is a very skilled and proven manager of software sales organizations that market complex products and services into sophisticated customer bases. His leadership and experience, coupled with the outstanding team already in place, puts Ithaca Software in position to fully capitalize on its technical achievements,'' said Stephen F. Mendel, Ithaca Software's president and chief executive officer.

In August of 1986, Ithaca Software introduced the HOOPS Graphics System at ACM Siggraph '86. Since 1987, HOOPS has been licensed to thousands of software developers at more than 500 commercial and 100 academic sites. HOOPS was the first 3-D graphics tool system available on X Windows, DOS, Macintosh and OS/2 machines.

It is the only system capable of producing advanced graphics applications across the entire spectrum of engineering workstations and personal computers. In 1988, HOOPS won a Digital Review Target Award Nomination. In 1989, HOOPS received BYTE magazine's Award of Distinction.

Ithaca Software develops, markets and supports graphics development systems for personal workstations. Ithaca Software incorporated in 1985, is a privately held company based in Alameda, Calif., with sales and support offices in Dallas, Tokyo and Basel, Switzerland.

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BAKERSFIELD, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Cal Rep Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:CRBI), the one-bank holding company for California Republic Bank, reported its net income for the first nine months of 1990.

Net income for this time period was $4,911,115, a decrease of 6.7 percent over the net income of $5,266,610, earned in the comparable period in 1989. On an earnings per share basis this reflects $1.77 per share for the first nine months vs. $1.90 earned in 1989.

For the third quarter of 1990, net income totaled $1,605,740, or 58 cents per share. This represents a decline of 13.6 percent from $1,857,758, or 67 cents per share, earned in the comparable quarter of 1989.

Net interest income for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $23,491,633, an increase of 7.1 percent over the same period in 1989. At Sept. 30, 1990, loans totaled $347,265,527, this represented a 6.2 percent increase over last year. Although loans have grown over last year's totals, during the third quarter of 1990, loan demand has softened.

At June 30, 1990, loans totaled $351,048,393. Deposits for the first nine months of 1990, totaled $511,593,909, an increase of 8.5 percent over the same period of 1989. The net interest margin for the total earning assets during the first nine months of 1990 was 6.85 percent, compared with 7.48 percent in 1989.

''The net interest margin declined because we were unable to invest the

increased deposits in the most profitable manner, for example, the lack of loan demand precludes investing in new loans yielding a market rate of approximately 12 percent vs. market investments yielding 8 to 9 percent,'' stated Leo J. Pierucci, president and chairman of California Republic Bank.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $559,205,160, an increase of 9.5 percent over the same time period in 1989.

California Republic Bank is an independent bank with corporate office headquarters in the Southern San Joaquin Region of California. The bank, founded in 1953, operates 16 branches; 12 in the Bakersfield metropolitan area two in the communities of Frazier Park and Tehachapi and four in Northern Los Angeles County; in the communities of Lancaster, Palmdale and Quartz Hill.

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LYNNWOOD, WA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - INTERMEC Corp. (NASDAQ:INTR), world leader in automated data collection for information management, Monday reported revenues and earnings for the second quarter and first half of fiscal 1991.

INTERMEC said revenues were $46.4 million in fiscal 1991's second quarter, higher than any previous quarter in the company's history. Second quarter revenues were up 15 percent from revenues of $40.4 million a year ago. The commercial business, which comprises about 90 percent of INTERMEC's revenues, has grown at 18 percent for the most recent three quarters compared to the like three quarters a year ago. Net income was $1,578,000 or $.20 per share for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $2,721,000 or $.37 per share in last year's second quarter. Revenues under the LOGMARS contract were $1.9 million as a result of increased spending by the Department of Defense at the government's fiscal year end.

For the first half of fiscal 1991, INTERMEC's revenues rose 13 percent to $88,282,000 compared to $78,230,000 in fiscal 1990's first six months. Net income for the first half ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,725,000 or $.21 per share compared to $4,771,000 or $.65 per share in the like period a year ago.

''INTERMEC's record second quarter revenues attest to the solid, world-wide customer base the company has developed in automated data collection systems '' said John W. Paxton, chairman, president and chief executive officer. ''In addition to record revenues, the company ended the quarter with a strong backlog of orders for future shipment.

''Our earnings last quarter were lower than we would like, but we hope that

the investments we are making will prove to be of long term benefit to our shareholders. INTERMEC has made significant investments in new product introductions, established a European headquarters and acquired a label products firm in The Netherlands. We have also made significant investments in our new state-of-the-art facility, in the acquisition of our domestic distribution channels and in our employees. These investments are beginning to pay off through greater manufacturing efficiencies and higher employee productivity,'' Paxton said.

The company also reduced inventory by $200,000 in the second quarter to $31.8 million from $32 million, and by over $2 million since the beginning of the fiscal year.

Earlier this month at SCAN-TECH '90 in Atlanta, INTERMEC announced that the Federal Communications Commission has granted the company the first and, so far, only license for the sale of spread spectrum Radio Frequency Data Collection systems. This new system eliminates the need for cables and hard-wiring of interconnected devices, requires no FCC site license and transmits data at a much faster rate and with less interference than conventional, narrow band, radio frequency technology.

During the quarter INTERMEC introduced Collect, a data collection software package which runs on Windowst 3.0 and enables users to quickly configure their own batch data collection system on a PC.

''With the tremendous popularity of Windows, Collect is an important addition to our software line,'' Paxton stated. INTERMEC also introduced DCM/2, a new data collection software package for OS/2-based systems, as well as added enhancements to ShopScan 3.0, the existing MS/DOS-based software systems. ''INTERMEC systems are designed to work with all major computer platforms. We will continue to create hardware, software, and services designed to respond to our customers' changing needs,'' he added.

On March 30, INTERMEC said management had been authorized by its board of directors to repurchase up to 1 million shares of its common stock. The company has now repurchased approximately 575,000 of its shares in the open market.

''Despite the cost of these repurchases, our cash position is healthy, because lower inventories and shorter receivable collection periods helped increase cash-flow from operations,'' Paxton noted.

INTERMEC Corp., a pioneer in bar code technology and world leader in automated data collection for information management, is a fully-integrated data collection systems company which designs, manufactures and markets the most comprehensive line of hardware, software, systems, service and supplies available world wide.

INTERMEC Corp.
Financial highlights - unaudited
(000's - except per share data)

	Second Quarter Ended Sept. 30,		First Half Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$46,430	$40,413	$88,282	$78,230
Income before taxes	$ 2,443	$ 4,167	$ 2,665	$ 7,321
Net income	$ 1,578	$ 2,721	$ 1,725	$ 4,771
Earnings per share	$ .20	$ .37	$ .21	$ .65
Weighted average shares outstanding	8,006	7,343	8,143	7,325

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BREMERTON, WA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - GNW Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:GNWF), the holding company for Great Northwest Federal Savings and Loan Association, Monday reported that net income increased 15.6% in the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to the same quarter a year ago.

''Continued economic strength in our primary markets of Bremerton and Washington's Olympic peninsula contributed to the 46% increase in loan production compared to last year's third quarter,'' stated Raymond L. Soule, chairman and chief executive officer.

GNW Financial's third quarter net income was $1,057,000, or $.52 per share, compared to $914,000, or $.45 per share, in the same quarter a year ago. For the first nine months of 1990, net income increased to $2.9 million, or $1.44 per share, from $2.7 million, or $1.32 per share, in the first nine months of 1990.

Net interest income, after loan loss provision, increased 16.5% to $4 million compared to $3.4 million in the third quarter a year ago. Non-interest expense, which has consistently been below net interest income for several years, totaled $3.4 million in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $3 million in the like quarter a year ago. Net interest margin this quarter was 2.78% compared to 2.54% in the third quarter last year. Non-interest income increased 28% to $1,037,000 compared to $808,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

''In the last nine months we have reduced our portfolio of foreclosed real estate by almost 60%, enabling us to put more than $1.5 million back into interest earning assets. Even though REO is lower than it has been in a decade, our goal is to further reduce this portfolio in the coming quarters,''

said Soule.

''Growth in non-interest income and our conservative lending practices have allowed us to buck the trends in our industry,'' noted Soule. ''Our annualized return on average tangible equity reached 11.1% for the third quarter,'' Soule added.

GNW Financial reported a 30% decrease in non-performing assets during the first nine months of 1990, while average interest earning assets increased 5.1%. Non-performing assets declined to $4.9 million or 0.76% of assets at Sept. 30, 1990, from $7.0 million or 1.14% of assets at the beginning of the year.

The corporation also announced that its board of directors declared GNW Financial's sixth consecutive regular quarterly cash dividend of $.05 per share payable on Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record Oct. 30, 1990.

Total assets were $647.5 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $617.4 million at Dec. 31, 1989. Deposits increased $19.1 million to $508.2 million since Dec. 31, 1989. The deposit growth resulted principally from successful marketing campaigns for longer-term certificate of deposit accounts during the second quarter.

Shareholders' equity increased to $47.7 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $44.9 million at the end of 1989. Stated book value at the end of the quarter was $24.32 per share and tangible book value, excluding goodwill, was $19.74 per share.

Great Northwest Federal Savings and Loan Association has applied to convert to a state-chartered savings bank. When this application is approved, GNW Financial Corp. plans to convert to a bank holding company. This conversion will provide the corporation with new growth and expansion opportunities.

Great Northwest Federal Savings and Loan Association was established in Bremerton in 1916 and operates 17 branches in the Puget Sound and Spokane areas.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(In thousands, except per share amounts)
(unaudited)

	Third Quarter Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest income	$15,608	$15,002	$ 45,741	$43,333
Interest expense	$11,401	$11,326	$ 33,653	$32,240
Net interest income before provision for loan losses	$ 4,207	$ 3,676	$ 12,088	$11,093
Provision for loan losses	$ 217	$ 252	$ 438	$ 589

Net interest income after provision for loan losses	$ 3,990	$ 3,424	$ 11,650	$10,504
Other income	$ 1,037	$ 808	$ 2,607	$ 2,172
Other expenses	$ 3,417	$ 2,991	$ 9,936	$ 9,079
Income before income taxes	$ 1,610	$ 1,241	$ 4,321	$ 3,597
Income tax expense	$ 553	$ 327	$ 1,401	$ 1,022
Cumulative effect - FAS No.96	$ - 0 -	$ - 0 -	$ - 0 -	$ 86
Net income	$ 1,057	$ 914	$ 2,920	$ 2,661
Net income per share before FAS No.96	$ .52	$ .45	$ 1.44	$ 1.28
Net income per share	$ .52	$ .45	$ 1.44	$ 1.32
Number of shares outstanding	1,962	1,955	1,962	1,955
Loan originations	$43,897	$29,981	$117,764	$90,841

	September 30, 1990	December 31, 1989
Total assets	$647,532	$617,412
Loans and mortgage backed securities	$585,422	$550,129
Deposits	$508,232	$489,114
Borrowings from Federal Home Loan Bank	$ 81,345	$ 73,345
Other borrowings	$ 3,329	$ 4,646
Stockholders' equity	$ 47,705	$ 44,856
Book value per share	$ 24.32	$ 22.94
Tangible book value per share	$ 19.74	$ 18.14
Non-performing assets	$ 4,890	$ 7,010

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BELLEVUE, WA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Charles M. Pigott, chairman and chief executive officer of PACCAR Inc, announced Monday the following results for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990:

(in thousands except per share amounts)

	3 months ended Sept. 30		9 months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Manufacturing net sales	$617,620	$833,611	$1,908,350	$2,518,402

Financial services interest income and other	47,262	48,733	142,657	142,741
Net income	$ 14,044	$ 48,263	$ 57,921	$ 143,049
Net income per share	40 cents	$ 1.38	$ 1.66	$ 4.07

Worldwide sales and backlogs in 1990 for the Class 8 truck industry continue at levels well below those of 1989. PACCAR's sales reflect this industry trend with third quarter 1990 truck sales comparable to second quarter sales, but industry overcapacity has impacted pricing. Consequently, third quarter 1990 net income was 25 percent lower than second quarter. While still below year-earlier levels, backlogs are up over the end of second quarter 1990 as both Kenworth and Peterbilt have seen a modest rise in orders.

Profitability of PACCAR's financial services companies in the third quarter was above second quarter but remains behind the third quarter and first nine months of 1989. The decline continues to be principally attributable to credit losses resulting from the difficult economic conditions for freight carriers impacted by higher fuel costs not compensated by higher freight rates.

PACCAR Inc.
Summary Earnings Statements
(in thousands of dollars/a)

	Three months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Manufacturing net sales	$ 617,620	$ 833,611
Financial services interest income and other	47,262	48,733
Income before income taxes	20,177	72,399
Income taxes	6,133	24,136
Net income	$ 14,044	$ 48,263
Net income per share	40 cents	$ 1.38

	Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Manufacturing net sales	$1,908,350	$2,518,402
Financial services interest income and other	142,657	142,741
Income before income taxes	84,408	214,755
Income taxes	26,487	71,706
Net income	57,921	143,049
Net income per share	$ 1.66	$ 4.07

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CUPERTINO, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Symantec Corp. (NASDAQ:SYMC) Monday announced financial results for its second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30.

Revenues increased 54 percent to $27.5 million as compared to $17.9 million in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

On Aug. 31, Symantec completed the merger of Peter Norton Computing Inc. into Symantec. The Peter Norton Computing merger has been accounted for as a pooling of interests. As a result, all financial information has been restated to reflect the combined financial results of both companies.

As disclosed in the prospectus/proxy statement of Aug. 8, completing the merger required a one time charge of $6.5 million for investment banking, legal fees and other costs associated with an acquisition.

Including these charges results in a loss of $933,000, or 10 cents per share, for the September quarter. Excluding these charges, net income for the quarter increased 39 percent to $3,291,000, or 33 cents per share. This compares to $2,366,000, or 25 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

''We're extremely pleased with this quarter's strong operating performance,'' said Gordon E. Eubanks Jr., president and chief executive officer. ''We continue to see robust demand for software, especially utility and productivity products.''

During the quarter, the company shipped enhanced versions of The Norton Utilities (version 5.0) and GrandView (version 2.0), delivered The Norton Utilities for the Macintosh, and announced The Norton AntiVirus.

Symantec is a leading international software company which provides award-winning application and system software products for IBM PC and Apple Macintosh computer users. Founded in 1982, Symantec is a public company traded on the NASDAQ National Market System (SYMC). The company is based in Cupertino. -0- NOTE TO EDITORS: Other brands and products are the trademarks of their respective holders and should be noted as such. -0- T

Symantec Corp.
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(in thousands, except per share data)
(unaudited)

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30,		6 Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues				

$ 27,528 $ 17,902 $ 50,409 $ 34,895 Cost of revenues
5,723 4,270 10,379 8,894 Gross margin $ 21,805 $
13,632 $ 40,030 $ 26,001 Operating expenses Research and development
3,452 2,190 6,867 4,146 Sales and marketing
11,476 6,709 21,877 12,805 General and administrative
2,132 1,921 4,170 3,664 Merger costs 6,500
0 6,500 0 Total operating expenses $ 23,560
$ 10,820 $ 39,414 $ 20,615 Operating income (loss)
(1,755) 2,812 616 5,386 Interest income 409
400 1,007 524 Interest expense (89) (283)
(286) (433) Income (loss) before income taxes (1,435)
2,929 1,337 5,477 Provision (benefit) for income taxes
(502) 563 521 1,113 Net income (loss) $ (933) $
2,366 $ 816 $ 4,364 Net income (loss) per share (10
cents) 25 cents 8 cents 48 cents Shares used to compute per share data
9,031 9,589 9,892 9,007 Shares used to compute net
income per share before merger costs 10,075

Symantec Corp.
Consolidated Balance Sheets
(in thousands)
Sept. 30, 1990 March 31, 1990
(unaudited) Assets Current assets: Cash and cash
equivalents $ 19,298 $ 25,078 Trade accounts receivable
11,033 8,815 Inventories 3,083
1,477 Deferred income taxes 2,400 1,350
Other 1,739 1,448 Total current
assets $ 37,553 $ 36,168 Equipment and leasehold
improvements 7,493 5,859 Purchased
intangibles 1,470 1,681 Other
1,225 1,678

$ 47,741 $ 47,386 Liabilities and
stockholders' equity Current liabilities: Accounts payable $
7,914 $ 4,602 Accrued compensation and benefits
3,330 2,243 Accrued other expenses 8,636
5,339 Income taxes payable 845
1,464 Current portion of long-term obligations 715
1,727 Total current liabilities $ 21,440 $ 15,375
Long-term obligations 2,499 7,437 Stockholders'
equity: Common stock 91 90 Capital
in excess of par value 31,528 30,587 Notes receivable from
stockholders (407) (207) Accumulated
deficit (7,410) (5,896) Total stockholders' equity
$ 23,802 $ 24,574

$ 47,741 $ 47,386 T

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VIENNA, VA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - LEGENT Corp. (NASDAQ: LGNT) Monday reported that, with new sales rising 38 percent to a record $31,413,000, its total revenues for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 grew to $46,526,000 from $35,022,000 in fiscal 1989's final period.

Due primarily to costs associated with expanding the company's sales organization by more than 20 percent during the last three months, and to seasonally lower recurring revenues, LEGENT said net income rose less sharply than new sales, to $8,883,000, or 42 cents per share, up 18 percent from $7,523,000, or 35 cents per share a year earlier.

The company noted that it also took charges totalling approximately $1.0 million, or 3 cents per share in the latest quarter, related primarily to severance costs, receivables, and special sales commissions resulting from a restructuring of its operations earlier in the year.

For the full year, the company's net income amounted to $32,897,000, or $1.52 per share, compared with $24,844,000, or $1.15 per share, in earnings for fiscal 1989. Revenues improved 25 percent to $169,531,000 from $135,115,000 in fiscal 1989.

These results include costs related to LEGENT's acquisition of Business Software Technology Inc. in last year's first quarter and to the formation of LEGENT the previous year, amounting to $975,000, or 4 cents per share last year and $5,874,000, or 21 cents per share, in fiscal 1989.

International sales and the strong performance of the company's Systems Productivity division both accounted for the rapid gains in new sales during the latest quarter, LEGENT said, noting that initial sales of its AutoMate, DASDMON and NetSpy products collectively jumped more than 90 percent from last year's final period.

While the Software Management division grew 40 percent in the fourth quarter, the cmpany said its newest business nonetheless registered more than 70 percent growth for the year.

LEGENT Corp. is a leading independent supplier of systems software and services for the management and operation of information services, or IS organizations. With more than 40 products designed for IS enterprises which support diverse networks managed by IBM mainframes, LEGENT today employes over 1,000 people and serves approximately 3,500 customers worldwide.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - American Co-operative Services Ltd., the only national purchasing agency devoted exclusively to family farmers and ranchers, Monday announced the endowment of a $5,000 agriculture scholarship.

''This money shall be made available to deserving students from farming and ranching families,'' said Anthony J. Ball Sr., executive vice president. ''The plight of the American family farmer or rancher is sad, and for most of them, it's not getting a whole lot better any time soon.

''However, by assisting them to obtain the lowest possible prices for their necessary supplies and equipment, we are helping some of these families to keep their places and stay in the business. But, if we can also help some of them by providing scholarships too, then we have a moral obligation to do so.

''Hopefully, this is only a small beginning from which a much greater fund will grow,'' he added. ''We invite and encourage all other organizations involved in the family farm and ranch market to join us in providing the funds necessary to assist many more of these deserving students obtain higher educations.

''Whether they be colleges, universities or trade schools is not important. What's important is that deserving students with the capability and the desire have the opportunity to pursue their education; to gain the vital specialized knowledge so necessary in our ever changing agriculture environment.''

The scholarship funds are held in trust by Guardian State Bank, Sandy, Utah, 84070. For details concerning the scholarship, please write Scholarship, c/o American Co-operative Services Ltd., P.O. Box 57766, Murray, Utah, 84157. The closing date is Aug. 1, 1991, and it is open to qualified citizens of the United States regardless of race, color or creed.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Irvine-based BoMed Medical Manufacturing Ltd. (NASDAQ:BOMD), developer and manufacturer of the CardioDynamic Data Processing (CDDP) system, a non-invasive hemodynamic patient-management system that evaluates cardiac output together with other important vital parameters, has opened a sales office in Prague, Czechoslovakia.

Establishment of the office follows the enactment of a new Czech foreign-relations law encouraging U.S. and other foreign businesses to operate in Czechoslovakia. BoMed is one of a growing number of medical device manufacturers in the United States expanding into Eastern Europe as trade restrictions ease and as Eastern bloc countries become more interested in attracting firms from other parts of the world.

''Czechoslovakia is our home country, and that gives us an important advantage with both the language and our understanding of the medical system there,'' says Hevka Sramek, BoMed president and a Czech native. ''Because it is the most sophisticated of the Eastern European bloc countries, we believe Czechoslovakia will be especially receptive to the technology we offer.''

Since opening the office in June, BoMed has already reported $100,000 in sales. Due to the severe shortage of funds to buy medical equipment in the Eastern European nation, BoMed has offered lease options of its equipment to select doctors and medical facilities.

''This is not only a tremendous opportunity for the company,'' Sramek said, ''but we hope to significantly improve the accuracy and efficiency of heart evaluation and treatment in Eastern Europe.''

BoMed is a leader in the field of non-invasive cardiodynamic monitoring. The company develops, manufactures and markets technically advanced instruments for a broad range of patient monitoring and therapeutic management applications.

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ATLANTA, GA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Telecommunications Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ATEL) Monday announced strong revenues and earnings for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the three-month period were $87.7 million compared with $83.4 million in the same period last year, an increase of over 5 percent. ATC recorded strong volume growth of 17.1 percent for the quarter offset by prices that were 10.3 percent lower than last year.

Earnings per share grew 17.9 percent to 33 cents from 28 cents in the same quarter last year. Net income also increased by 8.5 percent to $7.0 million from $6.5 million in the year-earlier period.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues grew to $169.0 million from $166.5 million in the same period last year. Earnings per share increased 17 percent to 63 cents compared with 54 cents for the first six months of fiscal 1990. Net income grew 6.6 percent from $12.5 million a year ago to $13.3 million.

During the quarter, ATC expanded its market share in the southwest region, winning three major contracts to provide service to the Texas Department of Highways, Cave & Associates, and all pay telephones for the State of Louisiana.

In the Southeast, several contracts were expanded, allowing us to gain additional revenues from existing customers.

Some of these include service for more than 340 branches of First Union National Bank of Florida, over 350 Publix Supermarkets, more than 50 branches of AmeriFirst Bank and a joint contract to provide interstate service on the SUNCOM network for the State of Florida.

Raville said, ''These contracts represent a potential revenue gain for the company of over $11.7 million annually.''

ATC, headquartered in Atlanta, is one of the largest publicly held long distance carriers in the United States. It provides domestic and international long distance telephone services to business and residential customers in the rapidly growing markets of the Southwest and Southeast.

The common stock of ATC is traded in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol ATEL.

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CHATSWORTH, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - NMB Technologies Inc., Monday introduced its new AAA1M300 series 1 Mbit DRAM, the world's fastest CMOS DRAM

at 53 ns.

The new high-speed 1 Mbit DRAM is offered in 1M x 1 and 256K x 4 versions and is now available in production quantities. First customer shipments occurred in July 1990.

The new high-speed devices are specified in each organization with maximum access times of 53, 60 and 70 ns. Read/Write cycle times are as low as 100 ns. The high-speed design allows for direct memory access with 16 MHz and 20 MHz microprocessors; eliminating the need for cache memory, and improving system performance.

''Our commitment to the full-scale production of these DRAMs enables us to serve in 1991 those customers who have already tested and specified our 60, 70 and 80 ns memories,'' said Myron Jones, senior vice president of NMB Technologies.

''Our customers can expect ongoing support for their systems and programs -- backed by the same high-quality support and service they've received with our previous DRAM product lines.''

The AAA1M300 is available in enhanced-page mode with page mode Read/Write cycle time of 40 ns. Operating voltages range from 4.5 to 5.5V and temperatures from 0 to 70 degrees Celsius. Power consumption for the new 53 ns 1 Mbit DRAM is 400 milliwatts with 5.0 volts vcc.

The new high-speed 1 Mbit DRAMs are manufactured using six-inch wafers with 1.2 micron line widths in fully automated Class 1 clean room facilities.

The device offers significant performance and cost advantages. The 100 ns Read/Write cycle time allows designers to create zero wait-state systems utilizing 20 MHz microprocessors, without resorting to complex interleaving or caching schemes.

NMB Technologies is the world's leading supplier of broad-based products for the computer market. NMB Technologies is the electronics marketing division of NMB (USA), Inc., the North American headquarters of the Minebea Group of companies. Minebea produces a wide variety of electronic components, including DRAMs, keyboards, step motors, sensors, axial fans and audio speakers.

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BELLEVUE, WA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - T. Ronald Morton, president of PACCAR Financial Corp., the wholly owned U.S. finance subsidiary of PACCAR Inc, Monday announced the financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Summary Earnings Statement
(Thousands of Dollars)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$31,770	$34,331	$97,706	$101,624
Interest expense	19,665	21,610	61,575	65,259
Finance margin	12,105	12,721	36,131	36,365
Operating expense	5,360	4,614	15,186	13,120
Loss provision	4,197	1,912	14,058	6,283
Income before taxes	2,548	6,195	6,887	16,962
Income taxes	982	2,207	2,676	5,979
Net income	$ 1,566	$ 3,988	$ 4,211	$ 10,983

Third quarter 1990 net income of $1.6 million was down 61 percent compared to 1989. The company's assets remained level at approximately $1.2 billion during the first three quarters of 1990. The company's finance margin in the first three quarters of 1990 was similar to 1989. Higher operating expenses in 1990 reflect efforts to strengthen credit controls and collection activities. The increase in the loss provision is due to continuing difficult economic conditions for freight carriers. PACCAR Financial's primary business is to provide wholesale, retail and lease financing to support the sale of Kenworth and Peterbilt heavy-duty trucks.

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CAMPBELL, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - DA Systems Inc. and Mercantile Telecommunications Ltd., based in Hong Kong, jointly announced the interconnection between Mercantile Telecommunications' MercanMail Service and DA Systems' DASnet Messaging Service.

The interconnection opens communications between MercanMail, with hosts based in Hong Kong and Tokyo, and an estimated 4 million people worldwide using electronic mail systems interconnected by the DASnet Inter-System Messaging Service.

In addition, Mercantile Telecommunications has chosen DASnet channels as the

means of integrating its various electronic-mail and value-added services. Among these are the following:

- MercanFax. Through MercanFax, messages can be sent from a customer's computer anywhere in the world through the DASnet Service directly to MercanFax nodes for local FAX delivery in Japan, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Korea, China, Macau, Thailand and the Philippines. Access to MercanFax is available to all DASnet customers as a standard feature.

- MercanMail Abroad. For the business traveler or executive-on-the-run, MercanMail offers a unique hand-held terminal which can be used for electronic mail and for FAX or hardcopy (postal) delivery of electronic mail messages from virtually any phone; e.g. a cellular telephone or a pay phone. DASnet interconnectivity and a personal Telex number are included as standard features.

Mercantile Telecommunications Ltd. is a member of the Mercantile Group, with offices in Hong Kong, Taipei, Seoul, Tokyo, Manila and Zurich. The host-computer operation of MercanMail is a joint venture with major European, Hong Kong, and Japanese telecommunications interests. Its mandate is to form one of Asia's largest private packet switching networks and electronic mail services, providing the largest and most cost-efficient telecommunications networks by satellite.

Mercantile Telecommunications' associates and supporting companies in this project are the Japanese firms Sumitomo, Intec, IDC, Tokyo Power, and Japan Airlines plus GTE Telenet of America.

DA Systems is a privately-held corporation located in Campbell, which delivers solutions for internetworking and networked applications. Its DASnet Service provides communications between otherwise-incompatible or unconnected systems. Offerings are available for electronic mail providers, for organizations which have installed their own internal electronic mail systems, and for individual subscribers to electronic mail services.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Computer Systems (ASKI) Monday announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Palette ACQ Corp., has accepted for payment at $9.25 per share in cash all shares of Ingres Corp. common stock tendered and not withdrawn.

Pursuant to its offer to purchase all outstanding Ingres shares, approximately 10,753,400 shares, representing 94 percent of the outstanding shares, were tendered and not withdrawn before the expiration of the tender offer at midnight on Friday, Oct. 19. Payment for the shares will be made promptly.

Palette will be merged as soon as practicable with Ingres, and Ingres wil become a wholly owned subsidiary for ASK. Ingres stockholders who did not tender their shares in the tneder offer will be entitled to receive $9.25 per share in cash in the merger.

Simultaneously, ASK announced that EDS Corp. and Hewlett-Packard Co. purchased approximately 5.6 million shares of ASK common stock for a total of $60 million in cash. As a result of this transaction, ASK will have approximately 18,840,000 shares outstanding, of which EDS will hold 19.7 percent and HP will hold 9.8 percent. All the proceeds from the sale of ASK stock to EDS and HP will be used to fund, in part, the purchase of Ingres shares.

ASK also announced that it has signed a definitive bank credit agreement with The Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A. under which ASK may borrow up to $50 million in order to fund, in part, the purchase of Ingres shares and to pay a portion of the costs of the acquisition. ASK will use approximately $15 million of its working capital to purchase tendered shares of Ingres.

ASK has requested the NASD to move trading in its common stock to the regular NASDAQ over-the-counter market effective Tuesday, Oct. 23, 1990.

ASK Computer Systems is a leader in enterprise-wide information systems. ASK has 930 employees worldwide and completed its 1990 fiscal year in June with revenues of $207 million.

Ingres Corp. is a world leader in informtion integration products, with approximately 1,200 employees worldwide. The company's advanced relational database management system is installed on 11,000 manufacturing and commercial computer systems worldwide, and is available on more than 40 types of computers. Ingres was founded in 1980 as Relational Technology Inc.

It completed its 1990 fiscal year in June with revenues of $157 million.

EDS, a wholly owned, independently operated subsidiary of General Motors based in Dallas, has operations in 27 countries and is the leader in providing information technology services to customers around the world.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - CEM Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:CEMX) Monday announced record net sales and earnings for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the quarter, net sales rose 29 percent to $4,991,000 versus $3,860,000 in the year-earlier period. Net income for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 totaled $626,000 compared with $541,000 a year ago; and earnings amounted to 14 cents per share versus 12 cents per share.

In announcing results, Michael J. Collins, president and chief executive officer, attributed the quarterly gains to higher shipments throughout CEM's line of microwave- based instruments. He remarked,

CEM produces microwave-based instrumentation for testing and analysis. The company's products are used in many manufacturing and processing industries, including chemical and food processing, and the general analytical laboratory market.

The company's shares are traded over-the-counter under the National Market System symbol CEMX.

CEM CORP.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)
Three Months Ended

	9/30/90	9/30/89	Percent Change
Net sales	$ 4,991,000	$ 3,860,000	29
Net income	$ 626,000	$ 541,000	16
Earnings per share	$ .14	$ .12	17
Average shares outstanding	4,599,000	4,683,000	(2)

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LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Monday, Multi Soft Inc. (NASDAQ:MSOF) announced that its Ferntree Computer Services distributorship in Australia has concluded an agreement with Honda Australia Pty. Ltd.

Under the terms of the contract, Multi Soft and Ferntree consultants are jointly developing, with Honda, the Honda Dealer Network System, a new generation of on-line order processing using Multi Soft's INFRONT/HPO (Host Processing Option) and INFRONT/SDF (Software Distribution Facility). The project, which began in September, is slated for rollout in early December.

According to Jon Rubin, Multi Soft's director of reseller/distribution operations, ''The tremendous productivity that INFRONT offers enhances our ability to deliver complex information systems in a fraction of the time it takes using traditional tools.

''Honda wanted a cooperative processing system, using PCs in dealerships connected to its SQL databases in the home office. INFRONT/HPO is the ideal tool for this project.''

Rubin added, ''Using INFRONT, Honda dealers will be able to access complex data using a mouse to point-and-choose information. The system, which includes extensive built-in help facilities, minimizes the dealers' learning curve, by providing a common user view to disparate computer programs at Honda. Best of all, INFRONT ensures that this system is on-line quickly so that its cost-saving benefits are realized early.''

Charles J. Lombardo, Multi Soft's chairman, commented, ''We are very proud of all our distributors. We foresee a period of dynamic growth in the worldwide use of INFRONT, because our technology makes its possible to use PCs as more than just dumb terminals.

''Also, the use of our INFRONT/SDF product ensures that each workstation has the proper files and programs that the user needs to be successful during the workday. Relationships with quality organizations like Honda will certainly lead to additional business for us,'' Lombardo concluded.

Multi Soft Inc. (NASDAQ:MSOF) is a subsidiary of Multi Solutions (NASDAQ:MULT) and has provided state-of-the-art cooperative processing software and solutions for production operating platforms and communications environments since 1985.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - PolyGram (NYSE:PLG) Monday announced its interest in acquiring certain compat disc manufacturing operations from Philips, subject to agreement being reached on terms.

The announcement follows news that Philips intends to acquire Du Pont's

interest in the consumer disc manufacturing operations of their joint venture Philips and Du Pont Optical Co. (PDO) by the end of this year.

Said David G. Fine, president and chief executive officer of the PolyGram Group; ''The compact disc is the fastest growing music carrier of all time and we anticipate that PolyGram's global requirements by 1991 will be in excess of 150 million compact discs. With a manufacturing demand of this scale there may now be economic advantages in controlling our own source of disc supply for a significant portion of our requirements.''

''The termination of the PDO joint venture may afford us an opportunity to acquire this source, subject to reaching a satisfactory agreement with Philips '' he continued.

Negotiations between PolyGram and Philips will commence in the near future.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Turner Broadcasting System Inc. (ASE:TBS) and Pathe Communications (NYSE:PCC) announced Sunday a broad-ranging series of agreements under which TBS' two entertainment networks, TBS SuperStation and Turner Network Television (TNT), will license exclusive English-language television exhibition rights in the United States to nearly 1,000 films in the MGM/UA feature film library.

The TBS exhibition period for each film generally will be 10 years commencing upon availability.

The license agreements cover films released theatrically by MGM/UA through December 1988, as well as certain 1989 releases. Among the features licensed to TBS are: the first 16 James Bond movies; ''Rocky I'' through ''Rocky IV;'' the Pink Panther films; contemporary movies such as ''Rainman,'' ''A Fish Called Wanda,'' ''Wargames'' and ''Yentl;'' and classic titles like ''West Side Story,''
''The Good, The Bad and The Ugly,'' ''Annie Hall,'' ''Fiddler on the Roof'' and ''Some Like It Hot,'' among others.

The agreements do not include any future MGM/UA productions.

TBS' rights pursuant to the license agreement are subject to consummation of the closing of the planned merger of MGM/UA Communications Co. with a subsidiary of Pathe Communications Corp. The first installation of the license fees will be funded on Monday, Oct. 22, 1990, in anticipation of the planned closing of the merger.

In making the announcement, TBS Board Chairman and President R.E. Turner stated: ''The MGM/UA film library is the finest collection of contemporary and classic movies available for license in the market today. We are extraordinarily pleased to be able to offer this programming to the viewers of our networks in the coming years.''

MGM/UA also will license to TBS SuperStation and TNT the exclusive U.S. television rights to the Pink Panther cartoons, ''The New Twilight Zone'' and the classic science fiction series ''Outer Limits.'' Each license period is approximately 10 years.

In another transaction, MGM/UA also will license 300 films from the MGM/UA library for use on TBS' recently announced satellite-delivered, English-language TNT feed to Latin America. The service is scheduled to begin operation in 1991.

The exhibition period for each film is generally five years.

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WESTBORO, MA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - In a move to bring the benefits of graphics to greater numbers of AViiON systems users, Data General Corp. Monday announced the AV 100 graphics workstation.

Priced at $3,995, the AV 100 offers the best price/performance ratio of any RISC-based desktop in the industry. The newest member of the AViiON family of workstations, servers and multi-user systems, the AV 100 provides a powerful alternative to X-terminals or personal computers as a graphics-based interface to UNIX applications.

Running at 17 MIPS (million instructions per second), the AV 100 is not only more powerful but also $1,000 less expensive than its closest RISC rival, Sun

Microsystem's SLC, which runs at 12.5 MIPS. The AViiON line offers a full range of cost-effective products with compatible architecture, starting at a $3,995 desktop and extending through 50 MIPS, high-performance systems.

The AV 100 is based on the 16MHz Motorola 88100 chip and includes 8MB of memory, a 20-inch monochrome monitor, SCSI interface, Ethernet interface, and two serial ports. The system can support a maximum of 16MB of memory and up to 4.0 GB of external hard disk.

Data General has also expanded the capabilities of its existing AV 200 and AV 300 models. The AV 200 Plus will support up to 28MB of memory and the AV 300 will support new 16MB memory modules, extending its maximum memory to well beyond the current 28MB. The new memory modules will be available in the first calendar quarter of 1991.

Data General is a worldwide manufacturer of computer and communications systems for business, industry, healthcare, education and government. The company reported revenues for fiscal year 1989 of $1.31 billion.

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MENLO PARK, Calif. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Informix Corp. (NASDAQ:IFMX) Monday announced revenues of $44,334,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, compared to revenues of $37,178,000 for the like period last year, a 19 percent increase.

The comparison of third quarter 1989 to third quarter 1990 is as follows:

	Q3 1989	Q3 1990
Revenues	$37,178,000	$44,344,000
Net income	$ 2,078,465	$ 2,044,000
Earnings per share	16 cents	16 cents

Year-to-date revenues and net income were $129,868,000 and $6,708,000, respectively. For the like period last year, revenues were $101,788,000 with net income of $3,672,000.

During the third quarter, Informix announced plans to make its high-performance database engine, Informix-OnLine, available as a NetWare Loadable Module for NetWare 386 in the fourth quarter of 1990. OnLine is expected to be the first database server for NetWare 386 to provide fault tolerant, on-line transaction processing performance for users on Novell local area networks.

Informix also announced that it is developing Informix-OnLine/Secure, a multi-level secure database expected to achieve the United States Department of Defense B1 security rating. Informix-OnLine/Secure will support all major secure versions of the UNIX operating system across a wide variety of UNIX-based platforms. It is expected to be available during the first half of 1991.

Informix's mobile demonstration center was launched during the third quarter. This 73-foot truck contains a theatre and a variety of personal computers, workstations and a multiprocessor system for demonstrating Informix's desktop through the database information management solutions.

Informix Software Inc., the operating subsidiary of Informix Corp., is a leading supplier of information management software providing solutions from the database through the desktop.

Informix products include powerful distributed database management systems, robust application development tools and graphical- and character-based productivity software for delivering information to every significant desktop platform.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - LASER PRECISION CORP. (NASDAQ:LASR) announced Monday that it has signed a letter of intent to sell its Irvine, California-based Analytical Division to AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (ASE:AWT) for approximately $5 million subject to adjustment.

The transaction is expected to close during the first quarter of 1991. The final purchase price will be paid in cash and notes due within three years, and is subject to due diligence, including confirmation of the value of certain assets. Laser Precision Analytical (LPA), headquartered in Irvine, California, also known as Analect Instruments, is the worldwide leader in on-line process FT-IR (Fourier Transform Infrared) analyzers. LPA also manufactures and markets FT-IR spectrometers for laboratory applications.

''Air & Water Technologies' strong position in the environmental market is expected to enhance Analect's environmental and ambient air product market penetration,'' said David M. Goodman, Laser Precision chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Air & Water Technologies Corp. provides a broad range of environmental services for air pollution control, water resources management, and the

disposal and re-use of waste by- products.

Laser Precision Corp. is a manufacturer of test and measurement instruments combining advanced optical designs with microprocessor technology. The company's products are used in fiber optic telecommunications, data communications and laser research.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Lyondell Petrochemical Co. (NYSE:LYO) Monday reported net income of $50 million, or 63 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990.

Bob G. Gower, president and chief executive officer of Lyondell Petrochemical Co., said, ''Margins for both petrochemical and refined petroleum products were significantly lower in the third quarter compared to the second quarter of 1990 due to product price increases lagging rapidly escalating raw material costs brought about by the Middle East crisis.

''This was the primary reason for the decline in third quarter earnings vs. the second quarter of 1990.'' Lyondell earned $155 million in the second quarter.

Lyondell's refining earnings were also affected by the unscheduled shutdown of the fluid catalytic cracking unit during the quarter. This reduced margins and resulted in lower sales volumes vs. the second quarter of 1990.

The effect of higher raw material costs on ethylene margins was partially offset by higher sales volumes and prices. Ethylene and propylene sales volumes in the third quarter of 1990 set a new company record.

Third quarter 1990 earnings declined 31 percent from the $73 million reported for the third quarter of 1989. The decline from the year ago period was due primarily to lower ethylene margins in this year's third quarter resulting from significantly higher raw material costs combined with lower ethylene prices.

This was partially offset by higher petrochemical sales volumes and lower maintenance expenses in the 1990 third quarter vs. the like period last year. Refining earnings were relatively flat in the third quarter compared with the like period last year.

''Due to the current market uncertainty,'' Gower said, ''we have increased our efforts to remain a low-cost producer and implemented programs to reduce working capital, minimize expenses and reduce capital spending.''

Strong year-to-date cash flows enabled Lyondell to reduce debt by $50 million in the third quarter. The company has also repaid an additional $38 million in the fourth quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $283 million, or $3.54 per share, compared with $310 million, or $3.87 per share, in the first nine months of 1989. Results in 1990 reflect lower margins for ethylene, methanol and aromatics caused by lower sales prices and higher raw material costs.

These lower petrochemical margins were partially offset by the substantial improvement in the refining business during the first half of 1990. Nine month 1990 results were increased by $4 million associated with anticipated LIFO inventory reductions vs. a $14 million LIFO benefit in the like period in 1989.

Lyondell Petrochemical Co., headquartered in Houston, manufactures and markets a wide variety of petrochemicals, including olefins (primarily ethylene, propylene, butadiene and butylenes), methanol, aromatics and specialty products, polyethylene and polypropylene and refined petroleum products, including gasoline, heating oil, jet fuel and lubricants.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 22) BIZWIRE - The board of directors of Lyondell Petrochemical Co. (NYSE:LYO) has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share of common stock, payable Dec. 14 to stockholders of record Nov. 16.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - NYCOM Information Services Inc. (NASDAQ:NYCM) Monday reported its second successive profitable quarter of operations, for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net profit was $1,036,653 vs. a loss of $2,711,037 for the same period for the

comparable 1989 quarter.

Revenues increased to $12,872,494 from $2,007,640 for the comparable 1989 quarter. During the nine month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, reveneus increased to $27,376,231 from $2,773,374 while losses were reduced to $233,082 from $7,192,770 in the like period in 1989.

The third quarter performance reflects the continuing expansion of the subscriber base and bottom line improvement of the AMNEX network operations subsidiary.

The company completed its acquisition of Communication Technologies Inc. (''COMTEC''), an interactive voice and information services company, and Eastern Pay Phones Inc. (''EASTERN''), an operator of private pay telephones in October. David A. Lyons, chief executive officer of NYCOM stated, ''These two acquisitions put in place the foundation for our long term strategy of offering a growing range of basic and enhanced services directly to the subscriber base.

''We expect the next few quarters to be characterized by the continued growth of AMNEX, along with the impact of the integration of Comtec and Eastern into NYCOM.

These events combine to further enhance NYCOM's long term performance.

NYCOM Information Services Inc. has established itself as one of the nation's fastest growing telecommunications network services providers.

Via its leading edge technology and national telecommunications network, NYCOM offers a broad spectrum of standard and enhanced calling features and information services to meet the needs of the transient telephone user within the payphone, hotel, hospital, interexchange carrier and business user marketplace.

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WALTHAM, Mass. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Parametric Technology Corp. (NASDAQ: PMTC) Monday announced that net income for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 252 percent to $5.6 million, or $0.65 per share, from 1989's income before extraordinary credit of $1.6 million, or $0.22 per share.

Revenues for 1990 rose 131 percent to $25.5 million, compared with fiscal 1989's level of $11.0 million.

For the fourth quarter ended September 30, 1990, net income increased 170 percent to $1.8 million, or $0.20 per share, compared with income before extraordinary credit of $652,000, or $0.09 per share, for the fourth quarter of 1989. Revenues for the fourth quarter of 1990 were $8.0 million, a 98 percent increase from $4.0 million for the same period a year ago.

''Fiscal 1990 was a year of tremendous growth and prosperity for the company '' said Steven C. Walske, president and chief executive officer. ''Our financial performance reflects the rapid acceptance of our technology by leading manufacturers. On a cumulative basis, we have sold approximately 2,750 seats of software representing 16,000 software modules, compared with last year's levels of 1,200 and 6,000, respectively.

Our customer base grew from 330 to 700 during the same period. Repeat business from existing customers, such as Whirlpool, General Electric, Northern Telecom Chrysler and Motorola represents 63 percent of total revenues. New customers include Matsushita, Aerospatiale and Hughes EDSG.

''We are especially pleased to have increased our pre-tax profitability to 34 percent in 1990, up from 21 percent in 1989.''

Concluded Walske, ''These results demonstrate that Parametric Technology can expand market penetration and maintain its technological advantage, while substantially increasing profitability. Given the increasing reliance of the marketplace on design-productivity tools, we are confident that Parametric Technology's strong momentum can continue through 1991.''

Parametric Technology Corp. is a leader in the mechanical design automation industry. Its new generation of CAD/CAM/CAE technology is revolutionizing the mechanical design automation process with a strategy that emphasizes technological leadership, aggressive price/performance, hardware independence, worldwide distribution and extensive customer support.

Condensed consolidated statements of operations for the fourth quarter and fiscal year are attached.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(In thousands, except per share data)	Three Months Ended September 30,		Year Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989 (Unaudited)	1990	1989
Revenue	$7,963	$4,020	$25,475	$11,028

Costs and expenses				
Sales and marketing	3,861	2,187	11,813	5,196
Research and development	1,145	611	3,959	2,388
General and administrative	612	319	2,234	1,241
Total costs and expenses	5,618	3,117	18,006	8,825
Operating income	2,345	903	7,469	2,203
Interest income, net	349	41	1,101	104
Income before taxes and extraordinary credit	2,694	944	8,570	2,307
Provision for income taxes	931	292	2,957	713
Income before extraordinary credit	1,763	652	5,613	1,594
Extraordinary credit (tax benefit of NOL carryforwards)	0	263	0	643
Net income	$1,763	$915	$5,613	$2,237
Income per share before extraordinary credit	$0.20	$0.09	$0.65	$0.22
Net income per share	$0.20	$0.12	$0.65	$0.31
Weighted average number of common and dilutive common equivalent shares outstanding	8,979	7,329	8,637	7,307

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SACRAMENTO, Calif. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Foundation Health Corp. (AMEX:FH) Monday announced that earnings for the first quarter ended Sept. 30

more than quadrupled to $3,359,000, or 28 cents per share, from $607,000, or 5 cents per share, during the comparable fiscal quarter a year ago.

Daniel D. Crowley, president and chief executive officer of Foundation Health Corp., noted that the company's performance in the quarter was even stronger than the net income figure implies.

''Our cash flows remain strong,'' he noted, ''in both absolute terms and relative to peer companies. These cash flows, along with proceeds from financing activities, have helped the company to reduce debt from $92.2 million at June 30 to $50 million at Sept. 30. The company receives the benefit of $1.3 million a quarter in free cash flow from the amortization of intangibles associated with its 1986 LBO.''

Operating income amounted to $6 million for the first quarter compared with $3.8 million a year ago. Pre-tax income increased more that 500 percent from $625,000 a year ago to $4 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

Total revenues for the first quarter increased 8.6 percent to $227.6 million from the $209.6 million recorded in last fiscal year's first quarter.

Crowley attributed the continued strong financial gains to general growth in both its CHAMPUS government contract and California HMO services, as well as successful control over healthcare and corporate costs.

''Foundation continues to be an industry leader in managing healthcare costs -- which is the key indicator of success for an HMO,'' Crowley said, noting that Foundations HMO healthcare expenses as a percentage of premiums were 81.6 percent for the first quarter, compared to 83.2 percent a year ago. ''Industry statistics indicate that most HMOs are in the 90 percent range.''

Crowley pointed out that Foundation's gross revenues in the current quarter will be boosted by an additional $6.2 million a month resulting from the burden Operation Desert Shield has placed on the capacity of military hospitals in California and Hawaii.

Foundation Health Corp. is the fifth largest IPA-model (''open-panel'') HMO in the United States and the largest in California, where it serves nearly 290,000 individuals. The company is also the country's 29th largest defense contractor as the result of administrating the Pentagon's CHAMPUS Reform Initiative program for 860,000 people in California and Hawaii.

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MANSFIELD, Mass. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Augat Inc. (NYSE: AUG), a leading manufacturer of interconnection products for the worldwide computer, automotive and communications markets, Monday announced that net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 12 percent to $4.6 million, or $0.25 per share, versus $4.1 million, or $0.23 per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Sales for the third quarter were $76.3 million, an increase of six percent, compared with $71.9 million for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Augat reported net income of $12.8 million, or $0.71 per share, on sales of $225.8 million. This compares with net income of $9.3 million, or $0.52 per share, on sales of $232.3 million in the comparable 1989 period.

''Augat's three-pronged strategy to improve manufacturing efficiencies, expand our overseas presence and introduce new products at an aggressive rate, contributed to the company's excellent performance this quarter,'' said Marcel P. Joseph, chairman and chief executive officer.

''Our programs to enhance quality and productivity were particularly noteworthy this quarter in our Automotive Division. During the quarter, one of our automotive manufacturing facilities secured 'Ford Motor Company's Q1 Preferred Supplier Award' status, recognizing Augat's commitment to quality, service and technological leadership. This was our fourth plant to receive this recognition from Ford.''

Management reported that international sales grew 32 percent through the first nine months of the year and contributed to Augat's profitability, reflecting the success of the company's strategy to build market share in Europe and the Far East.

Domestic sales reflected a slower economic climate. Compared with last year's third quarter, the Interconnection Products Division reported higher earnings, based on slightly lower sales, due to a downturn in the computer industry. The company said that growing acceptance of newer products, such as Augat's EII connector and Land Grid Array, positions the division for ongoing improved performance. The Communications Division recorded significantly higher U.S. sales and increased earnings versus the prior-year's third quarter, while order rates began to slow, compared with previous quarters.

Domestic sales in the Automotive Division were slightly lower than last year's third quarter. However, the quality of income improved as a direct result of Augat's aggressive productivity program initiated early in the year.

The company reported that incoming orders for the third quarter of 1990 were $67 million, compared with $79 million in the third quarter of 1989; and backlog, as of Sept. 30, 1990, was $56 million, the same as last year's third-quarter level.

Joseph concluded, ''We are pleased with Augat's ability to generate strong earnings in a difficult economic environment. As the domestic marketplace continues to slow, we are actively controlling costs, focusing on productivity improvements and maintaining a strong balance sheet. As a result, we believe that Augat is positioned to perform well in the uncertain economic climate.''

Augat Inc. is a leading supplier of interconnection products to the worldwide computer, automotive and communications markets.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Gensia Pharmaceuticals Inc. Monday announced it has signed a definitive agreement with The Kendall Company to acquire the business of Kendall McGaw Pharmaceuticals (KMP) for $15 million, contingent upon financing.

KMP, located in Irvine, Calif., manufactures small volume injectable pharmaceuticals for the acute-care hospital market.

''The acquisition of KMP represents a significant acceleration of Gensia's strategic plan to develop, manufacture and market pharmaceutical products for the acute-care hospital market,'' according to David F. Hale, president and chief executive office of Gensia.

''The products developed by KMP clearly fit our strategy to license-in and market hospital-based products that are compatible with the acute-care products we are developing at Gensia. We plan to begin building a small hospital sales organization to sell these products, which we believe will generate near term revenue for Gensia.

''Kendall McGaw Pharmaceuticals has a premier facility for the manufacture of injectable pharmaceuticals,'' Hale added. ''This facility will give Gensia the manufacturing capability to produce Arasine and arbutamine (the drug in Gensia's ESA system) for our Phase 3 clinical trials and for market introduction once these products are approved by the regulatory authorities in

the United States and Europe.''

Gensia is currently in Phase 2 clinical trials in the United States and Europe with Arasine, a drug which shows promise in reducing tissue damage from ischemia which is associated with coronary artery disease and with certain surgical procedures such as coronary artery bypass graft surgery.

The ESA System, which is also in Phase 2 clinical trials, combines a novel drug (arbutamine) and a computer controlled delivery system designed to aid in the diagnosis and evaluation of coronary artery disease.

KMP has operated as a business unit within Kendall McGaw Laboratories since 1987 and currently employs approximately 90 people in product development, manufacturing, quality assurance, quality control and regulatory affairs. Since 1988, KMP has filed 35 Abbreviated New Drug Applications (ANDAs) with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and has received FDA approval to manufacture three pharmaceutical products under five ANDAs.

KMP also currently performs product development and manufacturing under contract for other pharamaceutical companies, including Gensia.

As a result of a restructuring program, The Kendall Company is focusing on specialty institutional health care markets, including wound healing, vascular compression, critical care and urology.

Gensia is a San Diego-based biopharmaceutical company formed to discover, develop, manufacture and market novel pharmaceutical products for the treatment and diagnosis of human disease.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Monday announced plans to increase basic night/weekend long-distance prices 2.2 percent, or about 0.3 cents per minute, effective November 2.

The increase -- about $39.4 million -- will amount to approximately five cents on an average $16 monthly long- distance telephone bill.

AT&T said the change applies only to out-of-state direct-dialed long-distance calls made during night and weekend hours: after 11 p.m. Sunday through Friday and all weekend until 5 p.m. Sunday. It does not apply to AT&T's Reach Out(R) America calling plans.

AT&T reduced prices on out-of-state and international long-distance services

by more than $300 million in July. The company said its out-of-state direct-dialed long-distance prices have gone down about 42 percent overall since the breakup of the Bell System in 1984.

''The change is necessary to bring prices in line with costs,'' said Merrill Tutton, vice president, AT&T Consumer Services.

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NOVATO, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - WordStar International Inc. (NASDAQ:WDST) announced Monday the appointment of David E. Patrick as vice president of marketing, development and strategic planning.

The appointment is part of WordStar's management restructuring efforts, which include the recent announcement of Ronald Posner, former president of Peter Norton Computing, as chief executive officer.

Prior to joining WordStar, Patrick was vice president of worldwide sales and marketing at Sitka Corp., formerly TOPS, a wholly owned subsidiary of Sun Microsystems. While at Sitka, Patrick increased sales more than 50 percent, established a European operation and successfully launched the release of a number of software products.

''Bringing in David is the first step we are taking to initiate a more aggressive marketing program within the company,'' said Posner. ''David's extensive marketing background in the PC software industry will be a great asset to WordStar.''

Prior to Sitka, Patrick was president and chief operating officer of Migent International from September 1986 to September 1988. He was also the international sales and marketing director in London for Ashton-Tate, and was manager of sales operations at Lotus Development Corp.

WordStar International, founded in 1978 as MicroPro International, is a leading supplier of business productivity software products for IBM PC users. These products are among the largest-selling microcomputer software programs in the world, having been translated into 14 languages and having built a 3.5 million installed user base.

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CHATTANOOGA, TENN. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - First Chattanooga Financial Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:FCHT) Monday reported results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Commenting on the results, Spencer H. Wright, chairman of the board, said: ''Net income for the latest quarter exceed that of the same period last year by 16 percent, while earnings per share increased by 19 percent, as we continued with programs to strengthen our operations.

''Net income for the quarter was $1,003,000, as compared to $868,000 in the first quarter of last year. Earnings per share were 37 cents vs. the 31 cents per share reported in the same period of the previous year.

''In keeping with our conservative policy to maintain strong reserves, during this quarter we established a net increase of approximately $200,000 to the loan reserve and increased it to more than $5.2 million.

''The corporation has proceeded with the stock repurchase program and acquired more than 312,000 shares during this quarter. We continue to feel that this is the best investment opportunity available to our company.

''The weighted average number of shares outstanding for the most recent quarter was 2,741,494 in 1990 and 2,798,638 in 1989.

''As of Sept. 30, deposits were $551,070,000 and total assets were $635,644,000. Stockholders' equity was $73,791,000. With an equity to asset ratio in excess of 11.6 percent after reserves and write-downs, First Chattanooga continues to be one of the strongest financial institutions of its size in the United States, and far exceeds all regulatory capital requirements.

''The board of directors declared our fourteenth quarterly cash dividend of 8 cents per share. The dividend is payable Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 16, 1990.''

First Chattanooga Financial Corp. is the holding company and parent of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Chattanooga, a federally chartered, FDIC-insured savings and loan. It operates 11 offices in southeastern Tennessee.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Allied Research Corp. (NASDAQ:ARAI) has received a $24.3 million contract for 105mm armor piercing tungsten dart ammunition (APFSDS).

Allied Research said that the contract is the largest production contract it has ever received.

Allied reported that this round was developed and tested by Mecar S.A., Allied Research's Belgian unit. Allied Research said it expected additional interest from countries planning to upgrade their tanks firepower performance.

The ammunition is designed for a variety of main battle tanks and light armored vehicles, including the French AMX 30 tank and the U.S. M60 and M48 tanks. A 100mm variant of the Mecar round is available for the T50 series of Russian and Chinese tanks.

Additionally, the Mecar 105mm round is matched to all American, French and British 105mm guns.

The contract calls for delivery of all the rounds in 1991.

Allied Research Corp. is a leading developer and producer of ammunition systems, supplier of engineering services to defense departments worldwide and designer of advanced products and systems for industry.

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DALLAS (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - DSC Communications Corp. (OTC: DIGI) announced Monday net income of $5.2 million, or 12 cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $8.4 million, or 20 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989 on revenue of $127.4 million and $106.3 million, respectively.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenue and income before an extraordinary item were $364.7 million and $20.9 million, or 49 cents per share, respectively, compared to $300.4 million and $21.8 million, or 52 cents per share, respectively, for the first nine months of 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $13.2 million, or 31

cents per share, are net of an extraordinary charge of $7.7 million, or 18 cents per share.

Revenue grew 20 percent in the 1990 third quarter from the like period in 1989 while year to date revenue exceeded the prior year's level by 21 percent. In addition to continued higher volume of intelligent network equipment, such a signal transfer points and digital cross-connect systems, customer installation of the first MegaHub(R) 600E switching systems began in the 1990 third quarter.

Operating results for the third quarter of 1990 declined from the prior year period as the higher volume of revenue was offset by lower gross margin content and a higher level of operating expenses and financing costs.

Gross margins were impacted by the shift in product mix to newer products, including the MegaHub(R) 600E, which initially have lower gross margins. DSC's third quarter 1990 net income includes the operating results of Optilink Corporation which was acquired at the end of July 1990.

The higher operating and financing costs were due in part to the Optilink acquisition. The extraordinary item included in net income for the nine months ended Sept. 20, 1990, represents the estimated cost, net of income taxes, for the settlement of a shareholders' class action lawsuit originally filed in 1985.

DSC Communications Corp. is a leading designer, developer, manufacturer, and marketer of digital switching, transmission and private network system products for the worldwide telcommunications marketplace.

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BOGOTA, NJ (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Del-Val Financial Corp. (NYSE:DVL), a real estate investment trust, Monday announced the suspension of the company's monthly dividends beginning with the dividend payable Nov. 1.

At the same time, the company's management has entered into negotiations with the board to offer shareholders deferred payment debt instruments in exchange for their shares.

Del-Val invests primarily in mortgage loans to Kenbee Management Inc., its manager and largest obligor, and to Kenbee-sponsored partnerships, secured by income-producing commercial, office and industrial properties.

The board suspended the dividend upon being advised by management that Del-Val and Kenbee face a liquidity problem because of their inability to continue to obtain financing in the current credit and deteriorating real estate environment.

The board said it took this step now to preserve the underlying value of the company's assets to the greatest extent possible. Rent payments are being made on schedule for virtually all the properties on which Del-Val has made loans.

Del-Val has paid every monthly dividend since 1973, when it went public.

As of June 30, Del-Val had investments in about 175 mortgage loans totaling $139,764,000, secured by properties located in 36 states and leased, typically on a long-term basis, by tenants chosen for their financial stability and record of growth.

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SACRAMENTO, CALIF (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Foundation Health Corp. (AMEX:FH) Monday announced that earnings for the first quarter ended Sept. 30 more than quadrupled to $3,359,000, or 28 cents per share, from $607,000, or 5 cents per share, during the comparable fiscal quarter a year ago.

Daniel D. Crowley, president and chief executive officer of Foundation Health Corp., noted that the company's performance in the quarter was even stronger than the net income figure implies.

''Our cash flows remain strong,'' he noted, ''in both absolute terms and relative to peer companies. These cash flows, along with proceeds from financing activities, have helped the company to reduce debt from $92.2 million at June 30 to $50 million at Sept. 30. The company receives the benefit of $1.3 million a quarter in free cash flow from the amortization of intangibles associated with its 1986 LBO.''

Operating income amounted to $6 million for the first quarter compared with $3.8 million a year ago. Pre-tax income increased more that 500 percent from $625,000 a year ago to $4 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

Total revenues for the first quarter increased 8.6 percent to $227.6 million from the $209.6 million recorded in last fiscal year's first quarter.

Crowley attributed the continued strong financial gains to general growth in both its CHAMPUS government contract and California HMO services, as well as

successful control over healthcare and corporate costs.

''Foundation continues to be an industry leader in managing healthcare costs -- which is the key indicator of success for an HMO,'' Crowley said, noting that Foundations HMO healthcare expenses as a percentage of premiums were 81.6 percent for the first quarter, compared to 83.2 percent a year ago. ''Industry statistics indicate that most HMOs are in the 90 percent range.''

Crowley pointed out that Foundation's gross revenues in the current quarter will be boosted by an additional $6.2 million a month resulting from the burden Operation Desert Shield has placed on the capacity of military hospitals in California and Hawaii.

Foundation Health Corp. is the fifth largest IPA-model (''open-panel'') HMO in the United States and the largest in California, where it serves nearly 290,000 individuals. The company is also the country's 29th largest defense contractor as the result of administrating the Pentagon's CHAMPUS Reform Initiative program for 860,000 people in California and Hawaii.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Silicon Valley Group Inc. (NASDAQ:SVGI) Monday reported sales of $184,289,000 for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, an increase of 41 percent from sales of $131,080,000 in fiscal 1989.

Net income for the year was $4,449,000, a decrease of 54 percent from the net income of $9,612,000 in the prior fiscal year. Net income per share decreased to 42 cents from 94 cents in the prior fiscal year. The fiscal 1990 financial information included results of SVG Lithography Systems Inc. (formerly the Optical Lithography Operations of the Perkin-Elmer Corp.) which was acquired in May, and includes the entire year's results of the Thermco Division acquired in December of 1988.

In the fourth quarter, SVG reported sales of $62,715,000, an increase of 33 percent from the level of the third quarter of 1990, and an increase of 60 percent from sales of $39,264,000 in the fourth quarter of 1989. Excluding SVG Lithography, sales for the fourth quarter were approximately equal to the preceding quarter and were 15 percent less than the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Net income for the fourth quarter of $215,000, or 2 cents per share, declined from the amounts in the previous quarter and corresponding quarter of the previous fiscal year of 4 cents per share and 27 cents per share, respectively.

The current quarter was impacted by expenses associated with its recently announced reduction in force and expenses related to a cancelled secondary public offering, and reflects the continued high level of R&D spending in Track and Thermco Divisions for new product and process development, as well as the R&D spending in SVGL which is recorded net of funding provided by outside parties.

The company stated that it has witnessed indications of uncertainty in the semiconductor marketplace and that a few customers deferred or cancelled orders in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990.

Although backlog at Sept. 30 for the Track and Thermco Divisions was at the same approximate level as the third quarter, the company believes that the economic uncertainties may cause revenues to remain at current levels for the next several months.

Nevertheless, its expects to maintain its commitment to R&D and customer support. The company is encouraged by the orders received for its new 90 Series track system and its Vertical Thermal Reactor and is also pleased by the progress being made by its newly acquired SVG Lithography operation.

''We continue to be positive regarding SVG's prospects for the future with its new products and the SVG Lithography acquisition,'' said Papken S. Der Torossian, president and chief executive officer. ''However, we feel that we need to continue to monitor the business and economic climates and act accordingly.''

Silicon Valley Group Inc. is a leading supplier of automated wafer processing equipment for the worldwide semiconductor industry. The company's operations consist of the Track Systems Division, focused on photoresist processing equipment, the Thermco Systems Division, offering oxidation, diffusion and low pressure chemical vapor deposition processing systems, and SVG Lithography Systems Inc. which delivers photolithography exposure tools utilizing step-and-scan technology.

SVG is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol SVGI.

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HAWTHORNE, NY (OCT. 22) Business Wire - Peoples Westchester Savings Bank (NASDAQ: PWSB) Monday reported earnings of $1.16 million, or 22 cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, vs. earnings of $1.48 million, or 28 cents per share, for the same quarter in 1989.

Nine month earnings for the current year totalled $4.82 million, or 91 cents per share, vs. $7.01 million, or $1.32 per share, for the comparable year-ago period. Earnings per share calculations for the prior year have been adjusted to reflect a 5 percent common stock dividend declared on Oct. 17, 1989.

Third quarter earnings reflected an increase in other expenses from $10.14 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989 to $11.06 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, primarily due to $1.2 million in provisions for possible losses relating to the bank's real estate joint venture investments and other real estate owned. The provision for real estate losses for the third quarter of last year was $80,000.

Also impacting the current quarter's results were an increase in the provision for loan losses and a rise in taxes on income. The provision for loan losses rose from $400,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989 to $750,000 for the current quarter, while taxes on income grew from $1.31 million to $1.90 million.

The $593,000 increase in taxes on income was principally due to the combined effect of the increase in pre-tax income and the higher provisions for losses on loans and other real estate owned, for which tax benefits are not recorded.

These factors were partially offset by a notable improvement in net interest income from $12.31 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989 to $13.61 million for the current quarter, reflecting a continued reduction in the bank's interest expense. The bank's net interest margin was 3.36 percent for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to 3.04 percent for the third quarter of 1989.

Other income also rose, from $1.02 million to $1.12 million, primarily due to a gain on the sale of other real estate owned during the third quarter of the current year.

Discussing the bank's third quarter results, management pointed to ongoing weakness in the economy and the real estate market. ''We are taking a very conservative approach,'' stated Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer, William F. Olson. ''Given the current market, increasing our provisions for losses on loans and real estate investments was the most prudent action. Our focus today is on the origination of quality assets, not on the generation of short-term earnings growth.''

The decline in nine month earnings stemmed from increases in other expenses and in the provision for loan losses, at a time when other income decreased and net interest income remained relatively flat.

Other expenses increased $2.24 million, due to the provision for possible real estate losses. Excluding said provision, and in spite of a $421,000 increase

in the bank's FDIC deposit insurance premiums, other expenses declined $190,000. The decline in other income reflected a substantial gain on the sale of other real estate owned that took place in the first quarter of 1989.

The allowance for loan losses was $6.39 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $5.97 million at June 30, 1990 and $7.03 million at Dec. 31, 1989. Nonperforming assets totalled $19.38 million, or 1.16 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $16.66 million, or .99 percent of total assets, at June 30, 1990 and $17.17 million, or 1.02 percent of total assets, at year-end 1989.

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DALLAS (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors Monday announced American Realty Trust Inc. (NYSE: ARB) will hold its annual meeting of shareholders on Dec. 5, 1990, in Dallas.

Shareholders of record Nov. 1, 1990, are eligible to vote on issues including the election of directors and authorization of a one-for-three reverse split of the company's common stock.

American Realty Trust, Inc. is a real estate investment trust which primarily invests in mortgage loans, real estate and real estate-related entities.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - For the third quarter and first nine months of 1990, American Television and Communications Corp. (NASDAQ: ATCMA) once again produced record revenues, net income, operating cash flow and operating cash flow margins.

This performance is attributable to a larger basic-service customer base, higher per-subscriber revenues and improved performance by the company's cable equity affiliates.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30 were $278.0 million, a 13.8 percent increase compared with third quarter 1989 revenues of $244.2 million. Net income for this year's third quarter rose 34.5 percent to $32.1 million,

or 29 cents per share, compared with $23.8 million, or 22 cents per share, for the same period last year.

Operating cash flow (operating income before depreciation and amortization) for the third quarter was $128.4 million, 17.8 percent higher than the $108.9 million recorded for third quarter of 1989. Operating cash flow margin (operating cash flow as a percentage of revenues) reached 46.2 percent, up from 44.6 percent for last year's third quarter. Operating income of $76.7 million was 19.6 percent higher than the $64.2 million recorded a year ago.

Interest expense decreased in the third quarter of 1990 primarily because of lower rates.

Equity in losses of affiliates decreased to $2.3 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared with $5.3 million for the same period a year ago because of continued improved operating results for ATC's cable affiliates.

In announcing the third quarter financial results, ATC Chairman and CEO Joseph J. Collins said:

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $819.8 million, a 14.3 percent increase from $717.1 million for the same period in 1989. Net income for the nine-month period rose 26.9 percent to $87.3 million, or 80 cents per share, compared with $68.8 million, or 63 cents per share.

Operating cash flow for the first three quarters was $374.8 million, up 19.1 percent from $314.8 million recorded for the same period of 1989. Operating cash flow margin reached 45.7 percent, up from 43.9 percent for the same period last year. Operating income rose to $222.5 million, a 19.4 percent increase from $186.4 million for the comparable period last year.

Interest expense increased for the first nine months of 1990 because of higher average debt balances, partially offset by lower rates. Equity in losses of affiliates decreased to $14.3 million for the first three quarters of 1990 from $17.1 million a year ago. The reduced losses came principally from improved operating results at ATC's cable affiliates.

ATC, an 82 percent-owned subsidiary of Time Warner Inc., owns or manages cable television operations serving approximately 4.5 million basic cable customers with 3.22 million premium subscriptions in 33 states and is a unit of the Time Warner Cable Group.

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CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Signal Apparel Co. Inc. (NYSE:SIA) Monday reported net sales of $18,175,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $20,453,000 a year ago.

The company reported a net loss of $643,000 for the third quarter of 1990 compared with a net loss of $662,000 for the same quarter in 1989.

The net loss per common share (primary) was 23 cents for the third quarter of both 1990 and 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales were $64,554,000 compared with $70,246,000 in the year-earlier period. The net loss for the latest nine months was $867,000, or 34 cents per share (primary).

This compares to net earnings in the first nine months of 1989 of $124,000, or a loss of 2 cents per share (primary) after the provision for preferred dividends.

Net earnings for the 1989 period included a gain of $585,000, or 19 cents per common share, resulting from a reversion of assets from a terminated pension plan and an increase of $292,000, or 9 cents per common share, from a change in accounting method related to inventory valuation.

The loss for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, is attributable to lower sales volume resulting from soft market conditions, the discontinuance of underwear products, the closing of a textile manufacturing operation, markdown of obsolete inventory, and manufacturing variances which, although considerably improved from a year ago, were unfavorable.

Despite weak market conditions, Signal has made substantial progress in reducing inventories.

Signal has developed several new marketing programs, including the NFL license program and a Signal Sport Collection, which will favorably affect performance in 1991. Also, a servicing agreement with a new customer will add significant dozens to Signal's backlog of orders for 1991.

Signal Apparel Co. Inc. is engaged in the manufacture and marketing of apparel including knit sportswear, sweaters and knit shirts for men and boys, and women's apparel. The company's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SIA.

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UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Union Corp. and Wang Laboratories Inc. Monday announced the completion of joint testing and certification for connectivity between the Wang OFFICE/X.400 Gateway and Western Union 400 (SM) service.

This interoperability certification introduces an added level of enterprise mail interconnectivity to customers using Western Union and Wang electronic mail products. According to Donald P. Casey, Director of External Affairs for Western Union's Business Services unit and Product Manager for Western Union 400 service, ''This certification is a further step for Western Union in enhancing its position as a leading provider of X.400 messaging services and open interconnection.''

''Wang's certification with Western Union 400 service enhances our position as a leader in multivendor electronic mail messaging,'' said Stephen R. Levine, Wang's Director of Core Applications. ''It also furthers our goal of providing meaningful end-user applications and helping customers manage 100 percent of their business information.''

Western Union, with its EasyLink (R) service, is the nation's largest supplier of public electronic mail services for the business community. The company already has announced commercial X.400 interconnections with nine domestic and international X.400 public service providers, in addition to its certification of software vendors. The Wang OFFICE/X.400 Gateway allows mail and document exchange between Wang systems and other vendors' X.400-compliant services. The gateway runs on Wang VS mid-range systems and is fully compatible with the 1984 CCITT X.400 recommendations. It operates over X.25 data networks and 802.3 local area networks.

Wang Laboratories Inc. headquartered in Lowell, Mass., is a leading worldwide supplier of computer-based information processing systems, including data, text, image and voice processing, as well as telecommunications and networking products. Western Union provides a broad range of messaging, financial and other services, both domestically and internationally, to meet specific needs of business customers and individual consumers. The company's electronic mail services enable its business customers to reach more than seven million electronic mail, fax and telex users worldwide.

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SUGAR LAND, TX (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - BMC Software Inc. (NASDAQ: BMCS) Monday reported revenues of $31,503,000 for the second quarter of its 1991

fiscal year ending March 31, 1991, a 50 percent increase over revenues of $21,049,000 for the like period in fiscal 1990.

Net income increased 55 percent to $6,953,000 (28 cents per share) compared to $4,484,000 (18 cents per share) for the like quarter in fiscal 1990.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 50 percent to $58,505,000 from $39,084,000 for the like period last year. Net income for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, rose 54 percent to $12,902,000 (52 cents per share) compared to $8,351,000 (34 cents per share) for the comparable period last year.

North American license revenues for the second quarter increased to $11,181,000, up 44 percent over $7,777,000 for the second quarter of fiscal 1990. International license revenues were $9,508,000 for the second quarter, a 44 percent increase from the fiscal 1990 second quarter.

During the second quarter, BMC announced the general availability of RECOVERY PLUS and introduced a new version of 3270 SUPEROPTIMIZER(R)/VM.

BMC Software Inc., an international company headquartered in the Houston suburb of Sugar Land, develops, markets and supports systems software products to enhance IBM's data base management and data communication systems, principally IMS, DB2 and CICS.

BMC currently markets a total of 42 products to customers in 42 markets. The firm's international subsidiaries are located in Melbourne, Australia; Copenhagen, Denmark; Camberley, England; Paris, France; Milan, Italy; Tokyo, Japan; Madrid, Spain and Frankfurt, Germany. BMC is represented by independent agents in Brazil, South Korea and Yugoslavia.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - North American Philips Corp. Monday announced the appointment of Gary D. Clarke, 49, as president of Magnavox Industrial Electronics Co., a newly formed division.

Formerly, this division was a unit of Magnavox Government and Industrial Electronics Co. (MAGIEC), also a division of North American Philips Corp.

The announcement was made by Stephen C. Tumminello, president and chief executive officer, North American Philips Corp.

Headquartered in Auburn, Ind., Magnavox Industrial Electronics Co. designs,

develops and manufactures transportation electronic systems, modules and sensors. The division joins ranks with Airpax Co. and other Philips companies serving the U.S. automotive electronics and related OEM markets.

Clarke joined the engineering/technical staff of MAGIEC in 1967 and successively became program manager, senior product manager and business area manager, Sensors. In 1984, Clarke was appointed vice president and general manager of the MAGIEC Industrial Electronics Division.

A native of Long Beach, Calif., Clarke received an associate of arts degree from Long Beach City College, a bachelor of science degree in Physics from the University of Utah and a master of science degree in business administration from Indiana University.

He serves in the United States Navy, where he rose to the rank of lieutenant.

Clarke is a member of the board of directors of the Fort Wayne, Allen County Historical Society; the Society of Automotive Engineers and Leadership Fort Wayne. His other memberships include the Magnavox Management Club, Sycamore Hills Golf Club and Phi Delta Theta Fraternity.

He and his wife, the former Gail Hawthorne, have two children, Michael A. and David S. The Clarkes reside in Fort Wayne, Ind.

North American Philips Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of N.V. Philips of the Netherlands, is one of the 100 largest industrial companies in the United States with operations in consumer products, lighting products, electrical and electronic components, medical diagnostic imaging systems and other professional equipment marketed under many well known brands including Philips Magnavox, Norelco, Philco and Sylvania audio-video.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Patti Goodman, a Campbell's marketing exeuctive for the past 10 years, is leaving the company to become the new V.P. of marketing for Whitman's Chocolates, America's oldest maker of boxed chocolates, Jay G. Shoemaker, Whitman's president announced Monday.

Goodman, who is currently director of marketing for Swanson dinners and entrees, the largest volume contributor to the company's frozen foods business begins her new position on Oct. 29.

''I'm fortunate to have had numerous business challenges while at Campbell's '' said Goodman, who has excelled in re-positioning existing products and launching new ones. ''Whitman's is a household name in the candy industry,

and it's a wonderful opportunity to join the company in the midst of its ambitious restructuring program.''

Shoemaker, who recently announced plans to restructure the company by reducing its product line and concentrating on its core business, praised Goodman as ''an innovative marketing professional with unusually keen business sense.''

''Patti will be a great asset in helping us position the company as the dominant boxed candy manufacturer in the country,'' he said. ''She comes at an exciting time as we near our 150th anniversary in 1992, and she'll be an important part of the success story we're about to write.''

Goodman, a Philadelphia-area native, received her undergraduate degree from Georgetown University and an MBA from Rutgers.

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NASHUA, NH (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Ekco Group Inc. (NYSE:EKO) Monday announced that for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $2.3 million, or 14 cents per share, compared with net income of $1.2 million, or 6 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $3.1 million, or 21 cents per share, including a $3.6 million first-quarter restructuring charge. The company reported a loss of $1 million, or 6 cents per share, for the first nine months of 1989.

Revenues in the third quarter of 1990 were $42.7 million, compared with $44 million in the comparable 1989 period. Revenues for the first nine months were $113 million, compared with $116 million for the same period in 1989. Last year's nine-month revenues included $10 million from product lines which were sold or liquidated during 1989.

Ekco Group Inc. manufactures and markets a variety of consumer products which it broadly markets through leading retail outlets, including a range of household and recreational products carrying the ''EKCO,'' ''Baker's Secret,'' ''Best Results,'' ''Victor,'' ''Woodstream'' and ''Havahart'' brand names.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Borland International (NASDAQ:BORL) and Brilliant Image announced Monday that Quattro Pro 2.0 users now can obtain full color, boardroom-quality slides, overhead transparencies and prints directly form their spreadsheet software.

Quattro Pro 2.0, Borland's high-end spreadsheet package, includes a built-in graphics program suitable for designing professional presentations. Users simply export their Quattro Pro graphics in EPS-Slide format and send them to Brilliant Images's Computer Picture Service via disk or modem for conversion into visual aids in as few as four hours.

To design even more attractive and presuasive presentations, Quattro Pro users will want to use the tools available in Borland's new ProShow Power Pack, sold in conjunction with Quattro Pro 2.0.

''The ProShow Power Pack offers Quattro Pro 2.0 users additional graphic enhancements to augment those already found in Quattro Pro 2.0,'' said Stephen Kahn, vice president and general manager of the spreadsheet business unit at Borland.

''With the ProShow Power Pack, Quattro Pro users can create professional presentations rivaling those created by stand-alone graphics packages.''

Included in the ProShow Power Pack: the Pro Show Slide Show Guide, a full color guide for creating professional presentations; the Power Macro Library, marco to streamline the process of creating presentations; 100 full-color CGM clip art images from Marketing Graphics Inc. (MGI). Also included is a coupon for $100 worth of free slide services from Brilliant Image.

Borland International Inc. (Scotts Valley, Calif.) is a leading developer of object-oriented programming languages, tools and business software. Borland offers some of the world's most widely used PC software, including Paradox, QuattroPro, Sidekick, Turbo C++ and Turbo Pascal with Objects. Telephone 408/438-8400.

Brilliant Image Inc., (New York, N.Y.) is the nation's leading slide service bureau. Open 24 hours a day, it converts files from three dozen PC and Mac graphic software packages into color slides, overheads and handouts.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Old Stone Corp., a Providence-based $3.7 billion asset diversified financial services company, Monday announced a small third quarter loss in line with its previous projections.

For the period ending Sept. 30, 1990, the net loss was $1.4 million and includes an addition of $6.8 million to loan loss reserves. Year-to-date 1990 net income was $6.0 million.

In comparing the third quarter to the same period last year, consideration must be given to the variety of unusual events for that period. The third quarter 1989 loss of $51.3 million was a direct result of increased loan loss reserves to cover outstanding loans to lesser developed countries and the writedown of certain real estate related investments.

Net interest income of $19.7 million for the third quarter of 1990 compares to $29.6 million for the same period in 1989. The reduction is attributable to an approximate $800 million smaller asset base and higher level of non-performing assets in 1990. In conjunction with its restructuring plan announced in September, 1989, the corporation has reduced its assets to meet the risk-based capital requirements of its principal subsidiary, Old Stone Bank, FSB. In so doing, the corporation has divested several subsidiaries and/or divisions.

The corporation's recent reduction of the quarterly dividend on its common stock further reflects its desire to retain capital in anticipation of increased regulatory capital requirements. Old Stone Bank, FSB and the corporation's other thrift institutions meet all current regulatory capital requirements.

Non-interest income of $16.7 million for the third quarter of 1990 compares to $2.2 million for the same period last year.

However, 1989's third quarter included $16.8 million in net losses on investments in joint ventures compared to $1.6 million this year. On a year-to-date basis, net losses in joint ventures are $14.2 million this year and $17.8 million for 1989.

Non-interest expense (excluding provisions for loan losses) for the third quarter of 1990 was $31.0 million and $56.9 million for the same period last year. However, last year's results included a $21.6 million adjustment to net realizable value for its real estate owned. Operating expenses for 1990's third quarter are approximately $5 million lower than the same period last year, of which $3 million represents lower salaries and benefits expense.

Old Stone's provision for loan losses during the third quarter of 1990 was

$6.8 million. The total reserve for loan losses at Sept. 30, 1990 was $57.2 million, or 2.0 percent of total loans. Last year an additional $19.4 million provision for loans to lesser developed countries was made in the third quarter.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, non-performing, and restructured loans and other real estate owned remained relatively flat to June 30, 1990 levels at $375.3 million.

Old Stone Corp. operates 169 offices in 26 states. It engages in retail, mortgage banking, commercial lending as well as money management and trust services. Its stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System (OSTN).

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - The Communications Satellite Corp. (COMSAT) (NYSE:CQ) Monday announced that consolidated net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $12.3 million, or 65 cents per primary share a decrease of $7.8 million, or 43 cents per share, from the same period of 1989.

Revenues for the 1990 third quarter were $112.4 million, an increase of $1.6 million from the third quarter of 1989. Operating income was $21.2 million compared to $25.8 million for the same quarter of 1989.

International segment revenues were up $1.4 million third quarter to third quarter. This segment is made up of both the INTELSAT Satellite Services (ISS) business and the Mobile communications business. The increase was due to results from the Mobile communications business which more than offset the revenue decrease from ISS.

The ISS decrease resulted from the effects of promotional tariffs to customers offered beginning in July 1990. International segment operating income decreased overall by $2.4 million from the effect of promotional tariffs in the ISS business and increased depreciation from the launch of three INTELSAT satellites (since the end of the third quarter of 1989).

Systems segment revenues and operating income for the quarter were slightly lower than the same third quarter of 1989.

The Video Entertainment segment revenues were up $1.8 million over the third quarter of 1989. The operating loss of this business segment increased due to operating costs and promotional incentives offered as part of new program offerings and testing.

Other income decreased this quarter over the 1989 third quarter due to operations of the Denver Nuggets partnership as well as interest associated with a favorable tax settlement in 1989.

COMSAT also announced the declaration of a regular quarterly dividend of 33 cents per share, payable Dec. 10, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 9, 1990. This dividend is the 81st consecutive quarterly dividend declared by the corporation to its shareholders.

COMSAT is a publicly traded corporation which provides international, domestic and mobile communication and information and entertainment services and conducts research on advanced communications techniques.

COMSAT represents the U.S. in the International Telecommunications Satellite Organization (INTELSAT) and the International Maritime Satellite Organization (INMARSAT).

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PITTSBURGH, PA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Hallwood Industries Incorporated (NASDAQ:HWDI), operator of automotive parts distributor Steel City Products, today announced results of operations for the second quarter and six months ended September 1, 1990.

Revenues for the second quarter totaled $8.6 million, compared with $6.4 million in the quarter ended August 26, 1989, and there was a net profit from continuing operations of $104,000 ($0.04 per share) compared with $74,000 ($0.03 per share) in the second quarter last year.

For the six months ended September 1, 1990, revenues totaled $16.8 million, compared with $13.3 million last year, and there was a net profit from continuing operations of $305,000 ($0.11 per share) compared with $278,000 ($0.10 per share) in the first half last year. In the second quarter of the current year, there was income of $83,000 (after taxes of $55,000) from discontinued retail operations. Prior year results reflected a loss from operations of the discontinued retail division of $6.9 million, after taxes, for the quarter ended August 26, 1989, and $10.4 million, after taxes, for the six months ended on that date.

Profits for the six months ended September 1, 1990 reflect a deduction of $257,000 for income taxes. Such tax provision will be fully offset by the Company's substantial tax loss carryforwards, currently exceeding $120 million; however, accounting treatment requires that this offset be reported as an addition to paid-in capital in the Company's balance sheet, rather than as an extraordinary credit to the income statement.

Including this adjustment, stockholders' equity increased this year by $314,000 (equivalent to $0.11 per share) in the second quarter, and by $645,000 (equivalent to $0.23 per share) in the first half, from results of operations.

Commenting upon the revenue and profit performance reported for the second quarter, Maarten Hemsley, the Company's Chief Financial Officer, noted that the principal improvement came from an increase of $1.6 million in sales by Steel City to unaffiliated customers, representing a 24% improvement over last year's second quarter. In addition, sales by Steel City to the stores formerly operated by the Company's retail division, which aggregated $500,000 in the second quarter this year, are included in consolidated revenues; last year such sales, totalling $1.2 million, were treated as inter-company transactions and not included in revenues of continuing operations.

Although gross margins reported in the second quarter increased by about $120,000 due in part to the higher revenues, Hemsley said that the increase is also partly attributable to the inclusion of profits earned on sales to stores formerly operated by the retail division; margins on such sales were previously excluded as inter-company transactions. Gross margins were approximately 14% in the second quarter, compared with approximately 16% last year.

Steel City's operating and overhead expenses increased in line with the growth in revenues. Additionally, corporate overheads of approximately $100,000 in the second quarter were charged to continuing operations, whereas last year such expenses were absorbed by the discontinued retail division.

Hemsley said that management was encouraged by the strong second quarter sales performance, which he attributed to Steel City's continuing efforts to provide the products and services demanded by its customers. However, he cautioned that the weak retail climate could adversely affect certain of the Company's customers. The Company's recently-announced plans to acquire A & B Auto Supply of Albany, New York, reflect management's efforts to improve the geographic diversity of the Company's customer base to enable it to better react to any future retail weaknesses, Hemsley said.

HALLWOOD INDUSTRIES INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES
HIGHLIGHTS OF CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(dollar amounts in thousands)

(unaudited)

	Thirteen weeks ended		Twenty-six weeks ended	
	Sept. 1, 1990	Aug. 26, 1989	Sept. 1, 1990	Aug. 26, 1989
Sales	$8,356	$6,276	$16,482	$13,206
Other income	209	74	302	92
	$8,565	$6,350	$16,784	$13,298
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	176	140	507	480
Income taxes	72 (a)	66	202 (a)	202
Income from continuing operations	104	74	305	278
Income/(loss) from discontinued operations	83	(6,942)	83	(10,354)
Net income/(loss)	$187	$(6,868)	$388	$(10,076)
Per share amounts:		(pro forma)		(pro forma)
Cont. operations	$0.04	$0.03	$0.11	$0.10
Net income/(loss)	$0.07	$(2.73)	$0.14	$(4.00)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding used in computing per share amounts	2,824,554	2,841,672	2,820,344	2,841,672

(a) Offset by a credit to paid-in capital resulting from utilization of net operating loss carryforwards.

HALLWOOD INDUSTRIES INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET HIGHLIGHTS
(dollar amounts in thousands)

	September 1, 1990	March 3, 1990 (unaudited)
Current assets	$16,842	$15,428
Property and equipment, at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization	1,451	1,283
Other assets	232	238
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,525	$16,949
Current liabilities	9,113	8,409
Other long-term obligations	331	168
Stockholders' equity: Common stock - par value $1.00 per share; authorized 5,000,000 shares; issued 2,582,160 and 2,518,051 shares	2,582	2,518
Additional paid-in capital	36,662	36,405
Deficit (Reorganized August 26, 1989)	(30,163)	(30,551)
Total stockholders' equity	9,081	8,372

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,525	$16,949

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Dun & Bradstreet Software (D&B Software) rounded out its financial product line for Digital Equipment Corp. VAX computers Monday with the announcement of three new Millennium products; Purchase Order, Accounts Receivable and Capital Projects.

D&B Software DEC Business Unit Vice President John Koles said the addition of the new products, coupled with existing general ledger, fixed asset and accounts payable solutions, ''allows D&B Software to provide the most comprehensive line of integrated financial solutions in the Digital market.

Purchase Order, a purchasing management system, provides complete management capabilities, from initial requisition to purchase order printing, through subsequent receipt, inspection and debit memo processes. The Accounts Receivable system streamlines receivables and credit processing.

The system's credit management tools allow users to monitor customer performance, collect customer obligations and evaluate possible risks and reduce losses due to unresolved disputes or deductions. Capital Projects provides on-line capabilities to track project progress and immediate access to budget vs. actual totals to ensure company projects are completed within budget.

D&B Software also offers tools products for the VAX market, including PC Link, a micro-to-host link and the Systems Development Tool, a fourth generation application development tool for designing and executing on-line applications.

Purchase Order, Accounts Receivable and Capital Projects run under the VAX VMS operating system and are fully integrated with the General Ledger, Fixed Asset and Accounts Payable Millennium applications and tools. Available immediately Purchase Order is priced from $38,000. Accounts Receivable is priced from $47,000 and will be available in November. Capital Projects is priced from $20,000 and is available immediately.

Dun & Bradstreet Software, a division of The Dun & Bradstreet Corp., is the world's largest provider of financial, human resource, materials management, manufacturing and higher education software solutions, tools and services.

D&B Software was formed in 1990 by the merger of two industry giants, McCormack & Dodge Corp. and Management Science America Inc.

The company serves more than 10,000 customers worldwide, including 75 percent of the Fortune 500. D&B Software is also a member of Digital's Cooperative Marketing (CMP) and Rdb Solutions Vendor (RSVP) Programs.

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PERRY, FLA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - First Federal Savings Bank of Perry (NASDAQ:FPRY) announced Monday that the board of directors voted to pay an initial dividend of 20 cents per share from the earnings for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30.

The 20 cents per share dividend will be payable Nov. 30 to shareholders of record Nov. 15.

First Federal reported that net earnings for the 12-month period ended Sept. 30 were $543,720 or 85 cents per share, compard to $505,171, or 79 cents per share, for the like period one year ago.

First Federal is located in North and Central Florida with five offices serving Leon, Jefferson, Taylor, Madison and Suwannee Counties in North Florida; and two offices serving Pasco and Hernando Counties in Central Florida. The Bank's shares of common stock are quoted under the symbol ''FPRY'' in the NASDAQ National Market System.

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BIRINGHAM, ALA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Birmingham Steel Corp. (NYSE:BIR) Monday announced earnings of $5,308,000 and earnings per share of 44 cents for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Earnings for the same period last year were $7,810,000, or 63 cents per share. Net sales for the quarter were $114,531,000, compared with $116,812,000 reported a year ago. Steel shipments increased 2 percent to 339,000 tons from 332,000 tons in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

James A. Todd, Jr., president and chief executive officer commented:

''Consolidated steel shipments for the first quarter were up slightly despite varying performance levels on a regional basis. Steel shipments reflected a softening in the East Coast and West Coast markets with an offsetting increase from continued strong demand in the industrial Midwest.

''Widespread predictions of a general economic slowdown continue to influence competitive pressures with steel selling prices substantially below the levels for the prior-year period.''

Birmingham Steel operates steel mini-mills producing steel and steel products, primarily reinforcing bar, and is the largest U.S. manufacturer of steel roof support systems used in underground coal mining. The common stock of Birmingham Steel Corp. is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ''BIR.''

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PALO ALTO, CALIF (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - ALZA Corp. (AMEX:AZA) announced Monday net income of $6.5 million or 18 cents per common share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net income of $4.5 million or 13 cents per common share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $18.1 million or 51 cents per common share, compared to $13.3 million or 39 cents per common share for the first nine months of 1989. Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $29.2 million compared to $22.6 million for the same quarter of 1989.

The increases in net income and revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were due primarily to royalties received from Pfizer Inc. based upon sales of Procardia XL7/8 in the United States. Procardia XL was introduced by Pfizer in the United States in October 1989 for the treatment of angina and hypertension and has rapidly gained market share.

Internationally, where the product will be marketed by Bayer AG, of Leverkusen West Germany, requests for marketing approvals are now pending in a number of countries.

Earnings per share for the most recent quarter were reduced by approximately 2 cents per share ($1.3 million pre-tax income) due to the initial activation of ALZA's large-scale manufacturing facility in Vacaville, Calif.

The company previously stated that during the early stages of activation, pre-tax income could be reduced by up to $1 to $1.5 million per quarter.

ALZA Corp., headquartered in Palo Alto, Calif., is a leading drug delivery systems company focusing on the development, manufacture and marketing of a broad range of proprietary pharmaceutical products. ALZA's therapeutic systems provide rate-controlled programmed administration of medication for both human and veterinary applications.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Dun & Bradstreet Software (D&B Software) announced Monday Human Resources DB2 (HR DB2), integrated relational payroll and personnel packages that are specifically designed to provide application users with precise and easy access to all human resource information.

''This integrated payroll/personnel solution, combined with our financial and tools packages, offers our customers the premier DB2 product line available,'' said Jim Henderson, executive vice president of marketing and technology for D&B Software.

HR DB2 was completely redesigned to take full advantage of native DB2 capabilities, including set processing, concurrent processing and referential integrity.

Set processing allows users to process multiple records in a single transaction, with data automatically shared among functions, applications, departments and locations. Concurrent processing permits more than one user access to the system at a time, a significant savings of time and resources. Referential integrity ensures data accuracy across all fields and tables.

For example, with HR DB2, and HR professional can access critical data needed for an urgent report while simultaneously running payroll. VSAM products do not permit such access.

Available in December, HR DB2 runs on IBM 370 and 390 architecture machines and its Payroll/Personnel components are priced from $150,000.

D&B Software currently offers a DB2-based general ledger package and a complete tools set. The company is developing DB2-based integrated benefits management software as well as solutions for higher education and manufacturing.

Dun & Bradstreet Software, a division of The Dun & Bradstreet Corp., is the world's largest provider of financial, human resource, materials management, manufacturing and high education software solutions, tools and services. D&B Software was formed in 1990 by the merger of two software industry giants, Management Science America Inc. and McCormack & Dodge Corp. D&B Software

serves more than 10,000 customers worldwide, including 75 percent of the Fortune 500.

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MIAMI (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - American Bankers Insurance Group Inc. (NASDAQ:ABIG) is please to announce that Robert J. Stetson has been elected to join the company's board of directors.

Stetson will be filling a recent vacancy on the board.

Stetson is currently the President - Retail Division at Burger King Corp., in Miami. Stetson joined Burger King Corp. in February, 1989 as the Company's Chief Financial Officer.

A graduate of Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., Stetson earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics and a Master of Business Administration with a major in finance.

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HOPKINGTON, MA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - EMC Corp. (NYSE-EMC) Monday reported revenues of $41,080,000 for the third quarter of 1990, an increase of 23 percent over the $33,320,000 reported in the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings also improved dramatically, with profits of $2,511,000, or 10 cents per share reported vs. a loss of $3,631,000 a year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990 revenues increased 35 percent to $124,253,000 from the $92,046,000 reported in the same period last year. Earnings for the nine months period were $5,551,000 or 22 cents per share compared to a loss of $11,041,000 in 1989.

EMC Corp. supplies innovative, high-performance storage products and related services for midrange and mainframe computers worldwide.

EMC CORP.
Consolidated Statement of Earnings

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	For the quarter ended:		For the nine months ended:	
	Sept 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Revenue	$ 41,080	$33,320	$124,253	$92,046
Net income (loss)	2,511	(3,361)	5,551	(11,041)
Earnings per share	$ 0.10	$ (0.15)	$ 0.22	$ (0.47)

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Allegheny Power System Inc., Monday reported consolidated net income for the three, nine, and 12 months ended Sept. 1990 of $41.7 million, 79 cents per share, $144.4 million, $2.73 per share, and $190.5 million, $3.60 per share, respectively, compared ith $43.8 million, 83 cents per share, $148.8 million, $2.84 per share, and $200.1 million, $3.83 per share, for the corresponding 1989 periods.

Revenues from sales to regular customers exceeded those for the prior year for each of the three, nine, and twelve-month periods ended Sept. 30, reflecting higher kilowatthour sales and the elimination in early January of the previously reported temporary $20 million reduction in annual revenues in Pennsylvania.

The decrease in net income for each of the 1990 periods was due to higher expenses, other than in fuel and purchased power costs, and lower interest income on temporary investments, which more than offset the higher revenues from retail customers.

ALLEGHENY POWER SYSTEM INC.
Financial Highlights

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30, $000's		9 Months Ended Sept. 30, $000's	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total operating revenues	$ 559,054	$ 537,727	$1,738,041	$1,686,562
Consolidated net income	$ 41,707	$ 43,759	$ 144,389	$ 148,771
Average number of shares outstanding	53,127,634	52,478,902	52,960,949	52,309,603
Earnings per share on average number of shares outstanding	$ .79	$ .83	$ 2.73	$ 2.84

	12 Months Ended Sept. 30, $000's	
	1990	1989
Total operating revenues	$ 2,309,681	$ 2,211,502
Consolidated net income	$ 190,526	$ 200,148
Average number of shares outstanding	52,880,583	52,223,884
Earnings per share on average number of shares outstanding	$ 3.60	$ 3.83

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GREENSBORO, N.C. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Fieldcrest Cannon Inc. (NYSE: FLD) Monday announced sales and earnings for the third quarter of 1990.

A loss of $6.2 million, or 60 cents per share was incurred in the quarter. This compares to net income of $4.5 million, or 44 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989. The third quarter of 1990 includes severance costs of $2.2 million which decreased net income $1.4 million, or 13 cents per share.

Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $313.5 million compared to $342.3 million in the third quarter of 1989. Bed and bath division sales decreased 10 percent from the 1989 level. Carpet and rug division sales decreased 4 percent from the like period last year.

Bed and bath division operating results were significantly impacted by lower sales, reflecting a continued weak market environment. The lower sales levels and an inventory reduction program required curtailed mill operating schedules that resulted in substantial idle capacity costs.

Margins were also affected by the disposal of higher levels of off-good merchandise than during the like period last year. These lower margins were partially offset by cost savings initiated during the quarter.

The carpet and rug division recorded a small profit in the third quarter, compared to a loss last year. The market for carpets is also weak and price competition has not permitted margin improvement. The improved operating performance was the result of cost reductions.

For the first nine months of 1990, sales were $904.2 million compared to $985 million in the corresponding period a year ago. A loss of $11.9 million, or $1.15 per share, for the first nine months of 1990 compares to net income of $15.2 million, or $1.48 per share, for the first nine months of 1989.

Efforts to reduce operating costs and inventory levels are continuing. Cost containment measures include the inventory reduction program, staff reductions carpet operation consolidations and the towel modernization program.

The consolidation of tufted carpet operations at Georgia Rug Mill, Lyerly, Ga. has proceeded as scheduled resulting in improved efficiencies and increased carpet mill activity. The towel weaving modernization project at the Dumaine Plant, Fieldale, Va. is nearing completion. Significant cost savings are anticipated when the startup phase has past.

Fieldcrest Cannon Inc. manufactures and markets bed and bath products under the Fieldcrest, Cannon, St. Mary's, Royal Family, Monticello, and private brand labels. Carpet and rug division products include woven and and tufted carpets and rugs marketed under the Karastan, Bigelow, Sanford, Cannon and private brands labels.

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CORAL GABLES, Fla. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Ramsay-HMO Inc. (OTC:RHMO), Monday announced that it has successfully restructured its loan agreement with Citibank N.A. for a total of $8.5 million, and that it has reached an agreemnet in principle to settle all claims and counterclaims in its lawsuit against the previous owner of the HMO, which was purchased by The Ramsay Group in 1988.

Under the terms of the new loan agreement, the payment schedule has been extended from Dec. 31, 1990 to Dec. 31, 1992, and the interest rate has been reduced by 2 percent to the lender's base rate plus 1 1/2 percent.

The new agreemenet also includes an additional advance of $2.5 million which was used to redeem an aggregate of 214,224 shares of Series A Preferred stock, owned by Ramsay Health Care Ltd. and Ramsay Hospital Corp. of Texas.

This redemption is in accordance with the strategy that the company has been pursuing since its initial public offering in December of 1989.

The lawsuit involved Ramsay-HMO's liability under the purchase agreement for a $3.8 million note payable to the former owner. Under the settlement agreement Ramsay-HMO will pay the principal amount of the note in full.

Terms of the agreement include a $1.7 million initial payment in cash, with the balance to be paid over a two and a half year period. Prior to resolving the dispute, the company carried the full value of this note as a current liability on its balance sheet.

Gregory H. Browne, chief executive officer of Ramsay-HMO stated, ''Both of these events have a positive effect on the company's balance sheet because they reduce current liabilities significantly. Furthermore, the redemption of the preferred shares is anti-dilutive. By restructuring the loan agreement and settling the lawsuit we have strengthened our current financial position.''

Ramsay-HMO Inc., owns and operates a South Florida-based health maintenance organization (''HMO'') serving the Miami Hispanic community and others in the Miami/Fort Lauderdale area. Approximately 75 percent of the company's HMO members receive primary medical care throught the company's 11 staff model ambulatory medical centers.

Approximately 25 percent of the company's membership is enrolled in its Medicare Plus plan. The company's HMO is the oldest in Florida and is one of the largest HMOs in the Miami area.

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MANSFIELD, MA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Codex Corp. Monday announced its corporate data networking direction, emphasizing the use of frame relay as a standard high-speed access protocol.

Codex will implement frame relay interfaces worldwide across multiple elements of its product line. All Codex products containing frame relay interfaces will be managed by the Codex 9800 Series Network Management System. The 9800 is an OSI-based system that manages multiple elements of the wide area domain.

Codex announced today frame relay interfaces on two data networking systems products and introduced a new frame relay product. Codex announced frame relay interfaces on its 6290 Series T1 Multiplexer and its 6525 X.25 Packet Switch, and introduced the 6507 Multi-protocol Packet Assembler/ Disassembler (PAD), which also supports frame relay. Codex also announced international availability of the 6290 fast packet T1/E1 multiplexer.

Codex frame relay products will be standards based. The company chaired the ANSI T1S1.1 committee that developed frame relay service description and architecture, and today announced a long-term commitment to the ANSI-approved specifications.

Codex was a partner in developing the CEPT interface on the fast packet multiplexer with StrataCom Inc. While Codex will support the StrataCom/DEC/cisco/Northern Telecom preliminary specification with early releases, the company will focus long-term development efforts on standards agreed to by U.S. and international standards organizations.

Codex Corp. a subsidiary of Motorola Inc., is a leading supplier of network products and integrated network solutions. The company operates in 51 countries through its nine international subsidiaries and an established distributor organization. Offerings include network management systems, T1/E1 switches, X.25 networks, multiplexers, DSU/CSUs, modems, LAN internetworking devices, and professional services.

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AUSTIN, TX (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Dell Computer Corp. (NASDAQ:DELL) Monday significantly strengthened its European operations with the establishment of a European manufacturing center in Ireland and the launch of its sixth wholly owned international subsidiary in Italy.

Dell said its European manufacturing facility, located in Limerick, Ireland, will enable the company to more effectively serve its expanding European operations through improved product availability and strengthened product support. Currently, Dell's European subsidiaries receive product from the company's United States manufacturing facility in Austin, Texas.

By serving its European operations from the Ireland facility, the company also will realize tax and duty advantages and will be competitiv-Hr p/sitmoned to benefit from the unification of the European Common Market. Shipments from the facility are scheduled to begin in the company's first half of fiscal 1992 which begins Feb. 1, 1991.

With Monday's opening of Dell Italy, located in Milan, Dell becomes the first direct-marketing personal computer company to enter Europe's fourth largest market for PC systems.

The number of installed personal computers in Italy is expected to more than 1992, according to the independent market research firm Dataquest Inc. During the same period, more than 60 percent of new system sales are expected to be sales of systems based on Intel's 386 and i486 microprocessors. Dell currently has 10 386 and i486-based systems, which account for more than two-thirds of total worldwide revenues.

Dell Italy is headed by Enzo Urbani, a 17-year veteran of the computer

industry. Most recently, Urbani was area general manager for Olivetti, responsible for marketing subsidiaries in 11 European countries. He previously was responsible for worldwide post-sale service and support for Olivetti.

Dell Computer Corp. designs, develops, markets, services and supports a complete line of personal computers compatible with industry standards. The company is recognized in independent surveys as having the highest customer satisfaction level in the industry for its line of personal computers.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Dun & Bradstreet Software (D&B Software) announced Monday FrontLine ViewBuilder (FrontLine), a workstation development tool that allows customers to build stand-alone or cooperative processing applications.

FrontLine is part of D&B Software's ViewBuilder family of workstation development, link and reporting tools products. With FrontLine, customers have the flexibility to offload functionality to the workstation level to save processing resources and increase productivity.

FrontLine allows customers to develop applications that operate disconnected from the host computer, allowing them to fully exploit the power of the workstation. It also allows them to develop cooperative processing applications that are tightly integrated with their host-based systems. In this way, they can move specific functions, such as data entry, to the workstation level while retaining data integrity.

''The workstation products increase our customers' efficiency and productivity expand their ability to analyze their businesses, and provide a comprehensive base of integrated business applications while providing them with a path to the future,'' said D&B Software Executive Vice President Jim Henderson.

Available immediately, FrontLine runs on an IBM PS/2 or compatible and works with any host system utilizing the 3270 communications environment, including IBM 370, 390, 30XX, 43XX machines; and the DEC VAX. FrontLine is priced from $30,000.

Dun & Bradstreet Software, a division of The Dun & Bradsteet Corp. is the world's largest provider of financial, human resource, materials management, manufacturing and higher education software solutions, tools and services. D&B Software was formed in 1990 by the merger of two industry giants, McCormack & Dodge Corp. and Management Science America Inc. The company

serves more than 10,000 customers worldwide, including 75 percent of the Fortune 500.

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COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Archive Corp. (NASDAQ:ACHV), a leading supplier of computer backup products, Monday said that it has granted to Sankyo Seiki a patent royalty license under Archive's electronic and mechanical patents for DC 600 type cartridge tape drives.

At the same time, Sankyo cross-licensed to Archive patents covering tape-drive technology developed by Sankyo. Details of the license agreement are to be kept confidential.

Tag Merrick, vice president and general counsel for Archive, said that in addition to Archive patents, the license from Archive also includes patents obtained by Archive through its acquisition of Cipher Data Products earlier this year.

Founded in 1980, Archive today is a leading manufacturer and supplier of data-storage products to original equipment manufacturers and resellers. Archive and its companies offer a complete selection of drives and subsystems for economical computer-data storage for minicomputers, workstations, multi-user systems and personal computers.

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LAKE MARY, FLA. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Maynard, an Archive company, announced its relocation to a new 96,000 square foot corporate headquarters building located in Lake Mary, Fla., just northeast of Orlando, Fla.

The company had formerly been located in Casselberry, Fla., also in the Orlando area.

''The new location will incorporate advances in every area of doing business '' stated George Rea, Maynard's executive vice president. ''From robotic material handling and transit, to the latest MIS technology, to training and network labs, to the quality of life for our employees, Maynard is employing

the standard of excellence that is our hallmark.''

The site of the new facility is 18 acres in Lake Mary, Fla., on the northeast side of the Orlando metroplex. An environmentally conscious community, Lake Mary combines a progressive attitude with a commitment to a high quality of life.

Maynard's master plan for the site includes 260,000 square feet of office space. The current 96,000 square foot building is Phase I. The planning and design of Phase II has been completed, but no implementation date has been set.

A soaring arched atrium and second floor terraces provide architectural distinction to the two-story brick building. Called a flex-space design, the building is arranged in four modules, accommodating the diverse functions of each area.

The building's 14 foot ceilings will accommodate both industrial and office functions by the use of dropped acoustical ceiling grids. A Faraday cage protects the building from lightning damage.

The working areas are a combination of closed offices and modular work areas. The work areas are equipped with the most advanced high-tech workstations, designed to provide a comfortable and efficient working environment.

All areas are wired for telecommunications and computer networking, linking Maynard not only to its parent company in California, but also to the company's offices in Asia and Europe.

Special consideration has also been given to the technical support area. In addition to the conveniences afforded the other work areas, technical support has several rooms dedicated to computer lab environments, providing controlled network settings for product testing, training, and customer assistance.

Maynard Electronics Inc. is a subsidiary of Archive Corp. of Costa Mesa, Calif. (NASDAQ:ACHV).

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BLUE BELL, PA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. Monday introduced the IR 9210 Courtesy Amount Reader (CAR) module, a high-speed, hand-print and machine-print recognition system for financial documents processed using Unisys InfoImage IIPS (Image Item Processing System) platform.

The optional IR 9210 CAR module, developed with Computer Gesellschaft Konstanz mbH, recognizes the hand-written or machine-printed numeric amount on checks, commonly known as the courtesy amount or convenience amount.

The IR 9210 CAR module capabilities will be demonstrated at the American Bankers Association's Annual Convention in Orlando, Fla. from October 22-24 and at the Bank Administration Institute's National Conference for Image Technology in Banking in Dallas from October 29-31.

CAR Module for Unisys IIPS Delivers Additional Benefits Users of Unisys IIPS realize significant returns on their investment with the basic configuration, which does not require CAR. Using IIPS, per-item processing costs are reduced. For Unisys IIPS users, implementation of the optional CAR module is an evolutionary step, which will bring additional savings to institutions that process large volumes of unencoded work. CAR Module Reduces Manual Keying of Document Amounts

The IR 9210 CAR module, together with the Image Check Processing System (ICPS) application, will reduce the need for human operators to manually key amounts from financial documents. The labor expense saved will be directly proportional to the percentage of items successfully read by CAR, and of equal importance, the application's use of CAR data.

Further expense will be saved during the balancing process when CAR data is used to detect operator keying errors. Unisys Offers CAR Module as an Option with IIPS

The optional IR 9210 CAR module joins the following IIPS platform components (see attachment):

--V Series application host, executing Unisys ICPS software --DP 1800 Document Processor, housing the IC 1800 Image Camera Module --IR 9000 Storage and Retrieval Module --IW 800 Image Workstation --Power Encoder Module --CP 2000 Communications Processor

The IR 9210 Courtesy Amount Reader module, using program data from the DP 1800 document processor and gray-level images from the image camera module, reads the courtesy amounts on checks and other payment documents. Unisys Worked with CGK in Developing IR 9210 CAR Module

For development of the CAR module, Unisys teamed with Computer Gesellschaft Konstanz mbH (CGK), a wholly owned subsidiary of Siemens. CGK, founded in 1974, is chartered by Siemens to develop innovative products and

custom-tailored solutions for the data entry and financial marketplace. CGK has more than 1,000 users of its automated character recognition systems.

Availability and Pricing

The optional IR 9210 Courtesy Amount Reader (CAR) module is available for new and existing users of Unisys IIPS in the third quarter of 1991. The module is priced at approximately $250,000.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Dun & Bradstreet Software (D&B Software) announced Monday FrontLine ViewBuilder (FrontLine), a workstation development tool that allows customers to build stand-alone or cooperative processing applications.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Encore Computer Corp. Monday announced that it has substantially enhanced its relationship with Ingres Corp. through a strategic account relationship agreement.

Under the terms of the agreement, Ingres will now sell and support its products on Encore's Multimax parallel multiprocessor computer systems worldwide. Additionally, Ingres will continuously tune, port, enhance and update its products for the Encore platforms that offer both symmetric multiprocessing and true parallel processing in one cabinet.

Ted White, vice president of Encore's Information Systems Business Unit said, ''We are pleased to have augmented our relationship with Ingres. With Ingres as a strategic Encore partner, we have captured important commercial business with the INGRES products and look forward to an even more productive relationship through our new agreement.''

To facilitate Ingres' support of the Encore systems and the agreement, Encore has shipped a Multimax system to Ingres' world headquarters in Alameda, Calif. and to their European headquarters in London. These systems will be routinely upgraded with Encore's latest technology enhancements to provide for up-to-date capability demonstrations and high-quality support for Ingres customers.

Chris Kenber, Ingres executive vice president of Operations, commented, ''We are pleased to have reached this agreement with Encore. The combination of Encore computers with Ingres relational database products greatly extends the ability of both companies to increase their market share.

''Customers using both products will have available to them better applications development tools and uniform response time that keeps pace with growth for unbeatable price/performance. We look forward to implementing the agreement with Encore.''

Encore also announced that Ingres has certified INGRES Release 6 on the Encore Multimax systems. This certification involved extensive testing to validate the proper operation of the INGRES software in the Encore systems. INGRES Release 6 is a result of a two-year effort by Ingres Corp. to redesign their product to give it increased viability through the nineties.

The rearchitected product takes advantaged of the symmetric multiprocessing architecture that Encore offers for dramatic increase in performance over previous versions of INGRES.

Ingres Corp. is a world leader in information integration products. The company's advanced relational database management system is installed on

11,000 manufacturing and commercial systems worldwide, and is available on more than 40 types of computers. Ingres was founded in 1980 as Relational Technology Inc.

Encore Computer Corp., an international company headquartered in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., provides cost-effective computer systems solutions for time-critical applications. Encore manufactures three families of parallel and distributed computer systems: Encore 90, CONCEPT/32, and Multimax, and has a $1 billion installed base of over 8,000 systems worldwide.

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CANTON, MA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Corporate Software Monday announced that it has become an authorized IBM hardware reseller, and that it will also sell and support additional IBM communication software products.

The hardware authorization enables Corporate Software to extend its specialized support services to include IBM Token-Ring boards, 5250 products and 3270 products. These products are critical to micro-computer and IBM mainframe connectivity.

In addition, Corporate Software will sell and support IBM memory expansion boards and kits. This will be especially appealing for customers upgrading their system configurations and adding memory to run advanced applications.

Corporate Software previously sold and supported IBM network and application software products. The company will continue to sell these products, as well as software products and hardware add-ins for IBM, IBM-compatible and Apple Macintosh personal computers.

Corporate Software has also expanded its line of networking products to include IBM OS/2 LAN Server 1.2 and the IBM LAN Support Program. The combination of these IBM hardware and software products for LANs enhances connectivity to the IBM environment and enables users to gain access to crucial coporate data quickly and easily.

Corporate Software sells and supports more than 1,500 software products and hardware add-ins for IBM, IBM-compatible and Apple Macintosh personal computers. The company provides a comprehensive array of services to assist

large organizations in the evaluation, acquisition, support, and maintenance of personal computer products and in the management of end user computing resources. Founded in 1983, Corporate Software has operations in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Germany, and France.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Flying home and realize today is your daughter's birthday?

Sudden turbulence causes you to spill coffee on your white shirt just before the big board meeting? No problem thanks to an all new in-flight airplane catalog service.

SkyMall, Inc., based in Phoenix, Arizona Monday began the first in-flight catalog shopping service offering instant delivery of passengers' merchandise to their preferred destinations. SkyMall's catalog, comprised of merchandise from premier catalogers and merchants such as Spiegel, Hammacher Schlemmer and Chef's, allows passengers to recreate a shopping mall experience from their airplane's seatback pocket.

Using airplane telephones, or simply calling from a regular telephone when not in-flight, travelers can select catalog items, place orders toll-free on AT&T MEGACOM (R) 800 service, and pick up their purchases at a counter located in airport terminals.

Orders from in-flight passengers or those using ground-based phones will be processed by telemarketers in SkyMall's central processing center in Phoenix. The orders then will be transmitted automatically to the appropriate warehouse located near the passenger's destination airport.

At the warehouse, automated carousels will pick the order and warehousers will place it on a conveyer to be transported to a packing station. The orders then will be placed in a custom designed, sealed container for van transport to selected airport terminals.

Fully automated SkyMall warehouses can process an order within 7.5 minutes, facilitating a passenger's delivery within 30 minutes to 48 hours, depending upon his or her final destination. Passengers have traditionally experienced product delivery three to six weeks from the time an item is ordered.

Once in the terminal, SkyMall customer service representatives will unseal the container and prepare the goods and paperwork for the customer's approval. SkyMall products will feature an unconditional return policy whereby customers

may reject the merchandise at the time of pick-up with no questions asked.

SkyMall will utilize AT&T advanced 800 service and a state-of-the-art DEFINITY (R) communications system for this unique retail/catalog organization.

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LAKE MARY, FL (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Maynard, an Archive company, announces that it has increased the capacity of its MaynStream DAT drives to 2.0GB while reducing the size of the drive to a 3.5-inch half height form factor.

The extended capacity subsystems will begin shipping during the first quarter of 1991, at no increase in price.

MaynStream DAT drives are sold as complete data backup solutions, including controller cards and MaynStream 3.0 software. The extensive list of advanced software features includes unattended backup, remote network workstation data backup, tape cataloging, loadable device drivers, new memory management, password protection, built-in error correction, and foreign language support.

The system also provides flexible, DOS-like commands for the advanced user who utilizes batch files to execute commands. In addition, MaynStream software version 3.0 supports backup and restoration of Novell bindery files and is Novell 286 and 386 certified.

Maynard's DAT products are significantly different from consumer grade DAT backup devices, providing higher performance and greater reliability.

Based in Lake Mary, Fla., Maynard is the industry's leading supplier of tape backup systems and offers the most complete selection of 5 1/4-inch and 3 1/2-inch cartridge, cassett, 4mm, and 8mm tape drives available for the IBM-compatible PC and PS/2 computers, DEC VAX computers, and Apple Macintosh family of computers.

Maynard Electronics Inc. is a subsidiary of Archive Corp. of Costa Mesa, Calif. (NASDAQ:ACHV).

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WAYNE, PA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Soft-Switch Inc., Monday announced that it has entered into a strategic relationship with Data General Corp. to develop a version of Soft-Switch Central for Data General's UNIX-based AViiON platform.

The resulting product will be owned, marketed and supported by Soft-Switch Inc. Soft-Switch Central is the leading electronic mail switching system, providing gateways to systems implementing the X.400 protocol, IBM's SNADS and PROFS protocols, the TCP/IP SMTP protocol and several other protocols. Additionally, Soft-Switch Central provides directory services and other mail network management sevices, and numerous administrative services.

Soft-Switch Central presently executes in IBM MVS and VM environments, and is installed in over 300 large enterprises in the U.S. and other countries.

''With support from DG, Soft-Switch will be in a position to rapidly expand its staff in the UNIX development area,'' stated Michael D. Zisman, Soft-Switch president. ''Our X.400 Gateway is based on UNIX, and this new effort is a natural evolution of the X.400 work which began in 1987. In fact, much of the basic technology for Soft-Switch Central on Unix is already embodied in our existing X.400 Gateway.''

While no specific product announcements are being made at this time, Soft-Switch indicated that products resulting from this effort will likely be available before the end of 1991. The UNIX based version of Soft-Switch Central will be configurable to act as a pure X.400 MTA, as a pure SNADS switch, or as a multi-protocol switching system.

''We are no longer in a 'one size fits all' marketplace,'' continued Zisman. ''Many large enterprises plan to continue using their IBM hosts as the basis for their enterprise mail networks, and for these customers we will invest heavily in our IBM-based products. Other enterprises require open platforms based on UNIX, and we intend to respond to these requirements aggressively. Based on our discussions with large accounts, many enterprises desire a combination of IBM-based switches on their SNA backbone and UNIX switches in other parts of their networks.''

''Data General recognizes that Soft-Switch is the leader in providing enterprise mail network solutions. There are significant opportunities for these solutions on a Data General platform to meet demands from large organizations with distributed computing environments as well as small and medium sized companies, '' said Ron Skates, CEO of Data General. ''With both companies' strong commitment to open systems and architectures, the

partnership makes perfect sense,'' he continued.

Soft Switch Inc. provides standards-based connectivity, electronic mail network management and mail-enabled applications that add value to customers' expanding electronic mail networks.

A privately held corporation, it is the acknowledged leader in supplying high-performance, open-architecture mail networks to large corporations. The company also licenses its technology to major office systems vendors and public electronic mail network vendors.

In addition to its Wayne, headquarters and its new European operation, Soft Switch has regional headquartes in Chicago, Los Angeles and Washington D.C., and sales and service offices in several other cities. The company also maintains a network of international distributors.

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WAYNE, Pa. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Soft-Switch Inc., Monday announced that it has acquired substantially all of the assets of Sytems & Telecoms Ltd., a leading supplier of facsimile and telex gateways for IBM and UNIX computer systems.

Systems & Telecoms Ltd. is based in Reading, England, and has operating subsidiaries in Germany, Norway, and the United States. Over 1,000 customers worldwide are using the VM Messenger and S-Message products that were developed, marketed, and supported by Systems & Telecoms. These products enable users of electronic mail systems on IBM VM systems or a wide range of UNIX Systems to transparently send faxes and telexes to other parties. Financial details of the transaction were not disclosed.

''There were three distinct reasons why Soft-Switch pursued this opportunity '' stated Michael D. Zisman, Soft-Switch president. ''First, the products are of interest to us on a stand-alone basis as they presently exist, but more importantly they are a natural extension to the Soft-Switch product line. These products can be easily integrated into our enterprise mail network products, providing fax and telex capability to users connected to Soft-Switch networks. This will be complementary to the fax and telex capabilities of the public carriers accessed through the Soft-Switch X.400 Gateway.

''Second, we are rapidly accelerating our activities in Europe, and the Systems & Telecoms employees add significantly to our capabilities there. Third, the Systems & Telecoms UNIX product line and expertise is of obvious value to us as we expand our own UNIX offerings.''

The operations of Systems & Telecoms will be merged into the Soft-Switch organization; essentially all of the employees of Systems & Telecoms have joined Soft-Switch Inc. or its subsidiaries in the United Kingdom and Germany. The former Systems & Telecoms headquarters in Reading, England will become the headquarters of the Soft-Switch United Kingdom subsidiary, Soft-Switch, plc.

This organization will be responsible for sales and support of all Soft-Switch products in the U.K. and certain European countries. Also located in this facility will be the Soft-Switch Inc. European Support Center, which will act as a logical extension to the existing support center in Wayne.

Many Soft-Switch networks are now worldwide in scope, and a distributed support capability will enhance Soft-Switch's ability to support these networks. Sytems & Telecoms GmbH will be merged into Soft-Switch GmbH of Germany and will be responsible for sales and support of the entire Soft-Switch product line in Germany and Austria.

Soft-Switch will retain the product development facility in Reading and will expand this group over the next year. Besides continuing to support and enhance the existing Systems & Telecoms products, this group will assume responsibility for development of other components of the Soft-Switch product line.

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A privately held corporation, it is the acknowledged leader in supplying high-performance, open-architecture mail networks to large corporations. The company also licenses its technology to major office systems vendors and public electronic mail network vendors.

In addition to its Wayne, headquarters and its new European operation, Soft Switch has regional headquartes in Chicago, Los Angeles and Washington D.C., and sales and service offices in several other cities. The company also maintains a network of international distributors.

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LAKE MARY, FL (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Maynard, an Archive company, announces an OS/2 version of its award-winning MaynStream backup software.

MaynStream for OS/2 version 1.0, available in January 1991, will support Maynard's entire line of high performance tape drives, providing comprehensive OS/2 solutions in capacities ranging from 60MB to 2.2GB, including the MaynStream DAT and helical scan drives. The new software supports both OS/2 1.1 and 1.2 Standard and Extended Editions.

MaynStream for OS/2 software supports the OS/2 High Performance File System (HPFS) as well as DOS's File Allocation Table (FAT) file system and accurately transfers files between the two systems. The MaynStream system also automatically restores and redirects files between HPFS and FAT file systems.

Using HPFS's Last Access Date and extended attributes, MaynStream's backup system provides the ability to set up scripts for migrating and grooming hard disk volumes, freeing on-line storage of unused, static files. Long pathnames (up to 260 characters) are also fully supported.

MaynStream for OS/2 software, which fully supports LAN Manager 1.0, provides full backup and restore capabilities for directory Access Control Lists (ACL), file permissions, and locked OS/2 network files, such as OS2.INI, OS2SYS.INI, LANMAN.INI, and NET.ACC.

The flexibility of the system allows unattended backup procedures to be scheduled during the network's quiescent hours. If the network is active during the procedures, the retry options for busy or open files and the ability to capture files that are in use ensure a complete backup of all network files.

Consideration has also been given to locating and restoring files easily and efficiently. MaynStream for OS/2 software employs a sophisticated cataloging capability. Maynard's proprietary Fast File Restore capability integrates MaynStream software's cataloging and high speed access capabilities of its high performance tape drives.

Maintaining a full catalog of all tapes, the system can execute an immediate search for any file, informing the user of the exact tape on which the file is stored. When the tape is mounted, the system can locate the file and begin restoring it in record time.

MaynStream for OS/2 software will support all MaynStream tape drives which are available in a comprehensive range of configurations and capacities, including 20MB to 150MB cassette drives (retail priced from $895 to $1,995); 60MB to 250MB cartridge drives (retail priced from $1,595 to $2,295); 1.3GB 4mm DAT drives (retail priced at $5,495 and $6,195); and the 2.2GB helical scan 8mm

drives (retail priced from $7,200 to $7,595).

MaynStream for OS/2, like all MaynStream software, will be available in several international languages, including English, French, Spanish, Italian, German and Dutch.

Maynard sells its products through a worldwide network for dealers, distributors and value-added resellers.

Based in Lake Mary, Fla., Maynard is the industry's leading supplier of tape backup systems and offers the most complete selection of 5 1/4-inch and 3 1/2-inch cartridge, cassette, 4mm and 8mm tape drives available for the IBM-compatible PC and PS/2 computers, DEC VAX computers, and Apple Macintosh family of computers.

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WAYNE, Pa. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Soft-Switch Inc., Monday released a sweeping array of announcements that reinforces its leadership position in the electronic mail industry.

Announcements included:

-- The acquisition of Systems & Telecoms Ltd., which adds enterprise fax and telex capabilities to the extensive mail backbone and mail-enabled application offerings available from Soft-Switch.

-- The creation of a European Operation including development facilities in the U.K., and new direct sales/support offices in the U.K. and Europe that complement an existing worldwide distributor network.

-- A new UNIX initiative with Data General providing support for creation of the Soft-Switch Central enterprise mail backbone product to run on the AViiON family of UNIX-based systems; and

-- The Soft-Switch Network API (SNAPI) Partnership Program, which has already resulted in signed agreements with key vendors of mail gateway and information retrieval products.

Soft-Switch president and CEO, Michael D. Zisman commented, ''The acquisition of Systems & Telecoms and the series of strategic business relationships that we announced today represent new levels of growth opportunity for Soft-Switch.

We are building on the momentum that we established in the '80s to position ourselves solidly for growth into the next century.'' Zisman also noted, ''Each aspect of the set of announcements that we're making today fits into the framework of our long range plan to be a major contributor to the growth of the electronic mail industry in the next decade.''

Additional details on each of today's announcements is contained in a separate press release.

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A privately held corporation, it is the acknowledged leader in supplying high-performance, open-architecture mail networks to large corporations. The company also licenses its technology to major office systems vendors and public electronic mail network vendors.

In addition to its Wayne, headquarters and its new European operation, Soft Switch has regional headquartes in Chicago, Los Angeles and Washington D.C., and sales and service offices in several other cities. The company also maintains a network of international distributors.

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WAYNE, Pa. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Soft-Switch Inc., announced Monday that is has established a direct sales and support capability in certain European countries.

The company will continue to sell indirectly through distributors in other countries.

''Increasingly, we are seeing electronic mail used by global corporations as a tool for integrating their worldwide operations,'' said Soft-Switch president Michael D. Zisman, ''and the establishment of a major presence in Eurpoe will enable us to better support this rapidly expanding segment of our marketplace.''

Soft-Switch Inc. has established wholly owned subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, France and Germany to directly sell and support Soft-Switch products

in these countries as well as Austria and Switzerland. The European direct sales and support organization will be managed by Gerhard Romen, who joined Soft-Switch when it acquired Systems & Telecoms Ltd. George Lutz, Soft-Switch Vice President of International Operations, will continue to manage all distributor relationships. Both individuals will report to Zisman.

''Global companies are adopting electronic mail as their corporate nervous system,'' Zisman commented further. ''It is the practical method of communicating across time zones and of facilitating teamwork across national and functional lines.

''At the same time, establishing mail networks on a global basis represents a challenge to an enterprise due to the heterogeneous environment usually present across multiple countries and subsidiaries.
Soft Switch products provide a pragmatic solution and our increasing focus on the international aspects of the business reflect the very high value which our solutions offer in this setting.''

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WAYNE, Pa. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Soft Switch Monday announced the kick-off of the SNAPI Partnership Program targeted at major systems and independent software vendors.

Agreements have already been signed with Lotus Development Corp., NCR, Comtex and SITKA to use Soft Switch's SNAPI technology to integrate applications with electronic mail.

''The integrations of applications software with customers' enterprise mail systems is one of the most important dynamics in the industry today,'' stated Stephen Layne, Soft Switch Vice President of Business Development and co-founder of X.400 APIA. ''Robust, open APIs are critical to this development. We feel that we have achieved this with SNAPI and we are actively working with a variety of vendors to integrate their applications

with electronic mail using SNAPI.''

The Soft Switch Network Applications Programming Interface (SNAPI) technology provides a programmatic interface to the advanced distribution and directory facilities of Soft Switch Central. It includes the services defined by the X.400 APIA Gateway API Service as well as the X.400 APIA Application API Service. Client applications interact with the SNAPI Server using a transport-independent RPC (remote procedure call) interface.

SNAPI Partnership Program consists of a suite of licensing and support arrangements to facilitiate the integrations of existing applications systems with electronic mail. The first products from this program will be available by the end of the year.

SNAPI can be used for integrating a variety of applications. These include electronic mail gateways, information refineries, end-user application tools, mail backbone value-added services, and horizontal and vertical applications systems.

Lotus, NCR and SITKA are using SNAPI for electronic mail gateways. Comtex is using SNAPI as a delivery vechicle for their information refineries. All of these applications will be integrated with customers' enterprise mail networks through Soft Switch Central.

Soft Switch Central is the multi-protocol enterprise MTA (Message Transfer Agent) from Soft Switch Inc. Soft Switch Central provides connectivity to more than 40 electronic mail systems today. In addition, it provides advanced eletronic mail network management facilities, such as X.500 architected directories and network security, as well as a suite of mail-enabled applications and APIs.

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LAKE MARY, FL (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Maynard, an Archive company, has announced that the company's two 1.3GB DAT offerings are now supported by the Santa Cruz Operation (SCO) UNIX operating system.

SCO UNIX 3.2 v 2 operating system's embedded device drivers support the Archive Python and the MaynStream 1300DAT drives when used with Adaptec AHA-154X and Western Digital SCSI 7000 controller cards.

''According to a recently published study, Archive brand tape drives are the preference of the UNIX market,'' stated Bernie Wu, Maynard's director of marketing. ''We are pleased that we are now able to provide these high-performance SCSI DAT drives to our UNIX-compatible product line.''

The Python DAT drives, which are sold by Maynard through industrial distributors to small OEMs and systems integrators, are designed to be device driver compatible with the Archive Viper SCSI series.

Maynard's 1.3GB high performance drives, called the ''uncontested victor'' in a recent product comparison conducted by ''Digital Review,'' rated fastest in every category: initialization, mount, backup and restore. They are available as internal or external units.

Maynard sells its MaynStream and Archive branded products through a worldwide network of dealers, distributors and value-added resellers.

Based in Lake Mary, Fla., Maynard is the industry's leading supplier of tape backup systems and offers the most complete selection of 5 1/4-inch and 3 1/2-inch cartridge, cassette, and 4mm and 8mm tape drives available for the IBM compatible PC and PS/2 computers, DEC VAX computers, and Apple Macintosh familly of computers.

For additional information, call 800/821-8782 or 407/263-3500.

Maynard Electronics, Inc. is a subsidiary of Archive Corp. of Costa Mesa, Calif. (NASDAQ:ACHV).

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Bernard Chaus Inc. (NYSE:CHS) Monday announced that the company has completed the purchase of one million dollars

($1,000,000) of its common stock and may purchase, from time to time, an additional one million dollars ($1,000,000) of its common stock in the open market, depending on market conditions.

Bernard Chaus Inc., is one of the largest producers of updated, moderately priced women's sportswear, sold in major department and specialty stores throughout the United States.

Its common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CHS.

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BARTLESVILLE, OK (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Phillips Petroleum Co. Monday reported third-quarter net income of $178 million, or 72 cents a share, compared with $87 million, or 36 cents a share, for the same period last year.

Total revenues were $3.4 billion, vs. $3.1 billion a year ago.

According to C.J. Silas, chairman and chief executive officer, higher crude oil and natural gas liquids prices, plus foreign currency gains, accounted for the increase. Downstream results, however, were generally lower.

Foreign currency gains were $20 million for the quarter, compared with losses of $16 million for the same period a year ago.

For the quarter, income for exploration and production was up as a result of higher crude oil prices and higher foreign currency gains versus foreign currency losses for the same period a year ago. The company's worldwide average crude oil price was up about $6 a barrel versus last year. These factors were partly offset by higher exploration expenses, primarily a result of domestic dry holes.

Gas and gas liquids profit was up significantly on higher natural gas liquids prices partly offset by lower residue gas sales prices and higher natural gas purchase prices.

Petroleum products earnings would have been down except for an $8 million after-tax LIFO inventory gain, as motor fuel margins deteriorated sharply in September. Chemicals earnings, which include income from business-interruption insurance, declined due to depressed ethylene markets and higher feedstock costs for aromatics.

For the nine months, Phillips' net income was $542 million, or $2.21 a share, compared with $474 million, or $1.95 a share for the same period in 1989.

Revenues were $9.5 billion, the same as a year ago.

Nine-month earnings benefited from the first-quarter adoption of a new income-tax accounting standard ($137 million), as well as from a settlement with Iran over the 1979 seizure of assets ($101 million). These items were partly offset by an after-tax loss of $90 million related to the sale of an insurance company, also in the first quarter.

Without these items, earnings would have been $394 million, down 17 percent from net income for the same period last year.

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VELDHOVEN, THE NETHERLANDS (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - ASM Lithography BV Monday introduced the PAS 5000/70 deep UV wafer stepper, which provides the lens, alignment and light source features necessary to handle the overlay and resolution requirements associated with producing dense integrated circuits such as 64 megabyte DRAM memory chips.

The first two systems have already been delivered to customers in the United States and Europe. Advanced Micro Devices has installed a PAS 5000/70 at its new SDC high-tech fabrication line in Sunnyvale, Calif. The first European system was installed at IMEC, the Inter-University Micro Electronics Center located in Leuven, Belgium.

IMEC is a research center established by the government of Flanders to develop advanced resist processes for fabricating devices with resolutions from 0.5 microns down to 0.25 microns in size. The PAS 5000/70 incorporates a 248 nanometer excimer laser light source from Lambda Physik. It uses an all-quartz ASML/Zeiss 5X reduction lens, with a numerical aperture of 0.42 and it has a field size of 21.2 millimeters.

The new system solves many of the problems associated with other deep UV steppers that have already come to market, according to Willem Maris, ASML managing director.

In addition to the two units that have already been installed at AMD and IMEC, ASM Lithography has orders for additional PAS 5000/70 systems from Micron Technology, Leiti and NV Philips.

ASM Lithography's operations in the United States are based in Tempe, Ariz. The company employs more than 600 people worldwide.

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PINEVILLE, LA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Citing the effect of warmer-than-normal weather, Central Louisiana Electric Co., Inc. (NYSE: CNL) reported higher operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

For the quarter, operating revenues were $100,415,000, compared with operating revenues of $92,854,000 recorded in the similar 1989 period.

Net income, after preferred dividends, totaled $17,620,000, or $1.57 per share vs. net income, after preferred dividends, of $15,975,000, or $1.42 per share reported for the third quarter of 1989.

Scott Brame, president and chief executive officer, said the increase was attributable to higher kilowatt-hour sales, which were up 9 percent from the third quarter 1989, primarily due to warmer-than-normal weather.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $257,281,000, compared with $240,506,000 for the first nine months of 1989. Net income, after preferred dividends, was $34,470,000, or $3.07 per share, against $33,197,000, or $2.95 per share, for the same 1989 period.

Central Louisiana Electric Co. Inc. operates solely in Louisiana as an electric utility serving 199,000 customers in 23 of the state's parishes.

Central Louisiana Electric Co. Inc.
Financial Highlights
(In thousands except share and per share amounts)
(All figures unaudited)

Three Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$ 100,415	$ 92,854
Net income before preferred dividends	17,839	16,375
Preferred dividends	219	400
Net income applicable to common stock	$ 17,620	$ 15,975
Net income per average common share	$ 1.57	$ 1.42
Average common shares outstanding	11,248,311	11,237,550
Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$ 257,281	$ 240,506
Net income before preferred dividends	35,136	34,637
Preferred dividends	666	1,440
Net income applicable to common stock	$ 34,470	$ 33,197
Net income per average common share	$ 3.07	$ 2.95
Average common shares outstanding	11,246,022	11,234,317
Twelve Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989

Operating revenues	$ 333,246	$ 308,982
Net income before preferred dividends	42,047	40,805
Preferred dividends	890	2,150
Net income applicable to common stock	$ 41,157	$ 38,655
Net income per average common share	$ 3.66	$ 3.44
Average common shares outstanding	11,244,461	11,231,690

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Loral Corp. announced Monday that it has signed memoranda of understanding with three major European companies -- Aerospatiale Societe Nationale Industrielle, Alcatel N.V., and Selenia Spazio S.p.A. -- to form one of the world's largest commercial communications and weather satellite businesses.

The minority partners will pay an aggregate of $182 million for 49 percent of Space Systems/Loral, which is part of the space business Loral Aerospace Holdings Inc. is acquiring as part of Ford Aerospace Corp. The price to be paid for the minority participation is based on a valuation of the business of $372 million. Loral Aerospace Holdings Inc. will own 51 percent of Space Systems/Loral and have management responsibility for the enterprise.

The signators have also agreed to cooperate with Space Systems/Loral on commercial communication satellite projects throughout the world.

Space Systems/Loral (formerly Space Systems Division) builds telecommunications and weather satellites for the world's civilian marketplaces. Ford Aerospace's other space-related businesses, whose primary customers are NASA and the U.S. Department of Defense, are not included in this transaction.

''By virtue of this partnership, Space Systems/Loral will have equity owners whose commercial space businesses generate $1.3 billion in aggregate annual revenues and employ more than 5,000 people,'' said Bernard L. Schwartz, chairman and chief executive officer. ''These resources in research and development, marketing, production, and manpower, make Space Systems/Loral a significant force in this burgeoning marketplace,'' he added.

Consummation of the transaction is subject to the preparation of mutually acceptable definitive agreements and appropriate government and corporate approvals, which are expected by year-end.

Loral Corp. is a high technology business that concentrates in defense electronics and space communications.

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MADISON, GA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Wellington Leisure Products Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:WLPI) announced that its board of directors has approved an additional stock repurchase program to acquire up to $1 million of the company's common shares to be used as treasury stock.

The timing of the repurchases and the exact number of shares to be purchased will be dependent upon market conditions. Wellington has completed its previously announced plan to acquire up to $1 million of the company's common stock by repurchasing 118,000 shares.

Commenting on the announcement, William R. O'Dell chairman and president, said: ''The board of directors continues to believe that repurchasing our own stock is a good investment that will enhance the value of the remaining shares outstanding.''

Wellington Leisure Products Inc. is a leading U.S. manufacturer of leisure activity products, water recreational products and cordage.

The company's products include Maxwell handicrafts; Plantation Works hammocks, lawn, garden and patio accessories; Tink's Safariland Hunting Scents, York Sports and Ol' Timer's hunting and fishing equipment; Taperflex, Cut 'N Jump, Ski-Master and America's Cup water ski, floatation jackets and related accessories; boating and swimming pool accessories; Wellington Puritan rope and twine for retail consumers; and Rhino Ropes cordage products for industrial and commercial users.

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SAN MATEO, CA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Multi-Income Trust (NYSE:FMI), a closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers Inc., Monday announced a monthly dividend of 8.95 cents ($.0895) per share payable on Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record Oct. 31, 1990.

Franklin Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $43-billion Franklin Group of Funds

which has over 1.7 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, Calif. 94404.

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TULSA, OKLA. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Geodyne Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: GEOD) Monday announced it had entered into an agreement with Oryx Energy Company to purchase producing oil and natural gas properties and associated production facilities for $59 million, some of which are subject to preferential rights to purchase.

The agreement calls for an effective date of Oct. 1, 1990. Closing is scheduled for sometime in mid-December.

The properties include interests in 14 fields located in Texas, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Wyoming. Approximately 350 wells and related facilities are involved in the transaction. Geodyne estimates the properties have combined net reserves of 33.1 billion cubic feet of gas, 2.7 million barrels of oil and 3.5 million barrels of natural gas liquids.

Geodyne is acquiring the properties on behalf of partnerships it sponsors under the PaineWebber/Geodyne Energy Income Programs.

Dallas-based Oryx Energy Co. is the largest independent oil and gas company in the world, with assets in excess of $5 billion and proved reserves of more than one billion equivalent barrels. Oryx Energy conducts its domestic operations through Sun Energy Partners, L.P. and is its managing general partner and 98-percent owner. Oryx Energy trades on the New York Stock Exchange with the symbol ''ORX'' and the partnership with the symbol ''SLP.''

Headquartered in Tulsa, Geodyne Resources Inc. manages the PaineWebber/Geodyne Energy Income Programs I, II and III and PaineWebber/Geodyne Institutional/Pension Energy Income Programs I and II and evaluates, acquires, manages and develops oil and gas reserves for its limited partnerships. The company also has offices in Houston and San Antonio.

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BURLINGTON, MA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - M/A-COM Inc. (NYSE:MAI) Monday announced the recent appointment of Victoria B. Dillon as vice president, corporate communications.

Dillon was president of Dillon & Young Communications, a consulting firm specializing in public relations, marketing, and organizational communications. She also held senior management positions at Prime Computer and Computervision Corp.

Dillon holds a B.A. from the University of Massachusetts in Amherst and an M.S. from Boston University.

M/A-COM is a leading producer of radio frequency, microwave and millimeter wave semiconductors, components and subsystems for applications in telecommunications, radar, navigation, missile guidance, electronic warfare, surveillance and command-control-communications-intelligence (C3I) systems.

M/A-COM also supplies surveillance products used in intelligence collection applications. The company's products are used primarily in defense electronics systems, but also have numerous commercial applications.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Rodman & Renshaw Inc. Monday announced that it has executed a previously announced agreement with Creditanstalt-Bankverein to establish the first jointly owned U.S.-European company to conduct financial and commodities futures brokerage services in Austria, the USSR and other major eastern and central European nations.

Creditanstalt-Bankverein is a commercial and investment banking corporation, headquartered in Vienna, Austria ranking among the world's 100 largest banking organizations.

The new company will be known as CA Global Futures Terminkontrakte AG, and will be 30 percent owned by Rodman and 70 percent owned by the bank. Jerome de Bontin, a managing director of Rodman's financial futures department, has been appointed as one of the two co-managing directors of the joint venture firm.

In a related transaction, Creditanstalt-Bankverein has invested $5 million in Rodman through the purchase of 4.99 percent of the outstanding common stock of Rodman & Renshaw Capital Group Inc. and the purchase of subordinated debentures, of Rodman & Renshaw Inc.

Kurt B. Karmin, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Rodman & Renshaw, in Vienna for the signing of the definitive agreement and the closing of the transactions, said, ''We are proud that the management of Creditanstalt-Bankverein has selected Rodman & Renshaw for this exciting joint-venture project. With the network of the bank's offices throughout the area, CA Global futures AG will become a major factor in the eastern and central Europe financial markets.''

Rodman & Renshaw Inc. is a member of the New York Stock Exchange, the Chicago Board of Trade, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange and other national and regional securities and commodities exchanges.

The firm has commodities futures offices in Chicago, New York, Kansas City and London.

Rodman & Renshaw Inc. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Rodman & Renshaw Capital Group, Inc. whose stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol RR.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - ''Spurred by strong summer demand for electricity, our financial performance has shown steady improvement in recent months.

The Southern Company (NYSE:SO) is the parent firm of five electric utilities: Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power, and.

The Southern Company's common stock is one of the 20 most widely held corporate stocks in America.

Addison announced that net income for the first nine months of this year was $736 million, or $2.33 per share -- down $6 million, or 2 cents per share, from the corresponding period last year.

For the 12 months ending Sept. 30, earnings totaled $841 million or $2.66 per share -- off $49 million, or 16 cents per share, from the comparable 12 months a year ago. Earnings for the 12 months ending Aug. 31, were $2.64 per share.

Reporting on system operations, Addison said that electricity sales to retail customers in the four-state area rose 4.8 percent during the first nine months of 1990. In-home electricity needs were up 7.2 percent to 26.2 billion kilowatthours. Electricity sales to commercial customers -- offices, stores, and other nonmanufacturing firms -- gained 5.1 percent to 22.8 billion kilowatthours. Industrial energy use rose 2.9 percent to 34.6 billion kilowatthours.

Energy sales under long-term contracts with neighboring utilities totaled 15.9 billion kilowatthours during the first nine months of this year -- an increase of 6.2 percent.

The energy needs of wholesale customers -- municipalities and cooperatives in the service area -- were down one-half of one percent.

Overall, sales of electricity to customers of The Southern Company were up 4.6 percent in the first nine months of 1990 compared with the same period in 1989.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Patrick H. Thomas, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of First Financial Management Corp. (NYSE:FFM) Monday announced that net income for the third quarter of 1990 increased 20 percent to a record $18 million, up from $15 million earned in the third quarter of 1989.

Fully-diluted earnings per share were 61 cents, up 15 percent from 53 cents. Revenues for the third quarter were up 32 percent to $231.4 million compared with revenues of $175.1 million for the same period last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30 revenues increased 45 percent to $634.5 million compared with $438.1 million in the prior year. Net income for the period rose 26 percent to $46.1 million from $36.7 million in the first nine months of 1989.

Fully-diluted earnings per share were up 13 percent to $1.62 from $1.44. At Sept. 30, the company had total assets of $5.3 billion, equity capital of $577.3 million and cash on hand (excluding Georgia Federal) of $22.6 million.

Each of the operating business segments had favorable results in the quarter. Both Merchant Services and Data Services experienced good revenue growth of 62 percent and 15 percent, respectively, from the same period last year. Commercial Services margins were also up from the second quarter. Consumer

Services earnings were higher due to improved operating results at Georgia Federal.

Total operating revenues increased 33 percent and operating income was up 20 percent from the same period in 1989.

FFMC is an information services company which offers a broad range of data processing and related services to a large and diverse customer base. The company provides products and services to financial institutions, retail merchants, governments and other industries.

FFMC also owns Georgia Federal Bank FSB, the largest savings institution and one of the largest retail banks based in Georgia and its subsidiary, First Family Financial Services, a major regional consumer finance company. Its common stock is currently traded on the NYSE under the symbol FFM. Its debentures are quoted through NASDAQ under the symbol FFMCG.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - American Maize Products (AZE) announced Monday that it has substantially completed its previously announced stock repurchase program.

The company further announced its intention to purchase up to 200,000 shares of its Class A common stock (AZEA) or Class B Common stock (AZEB) or a combination thereof in open market purchases from time to time.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Joseph K. Gordon, former executive vice president and chief counsel of the Philadelphia National Bank and its parent, CoreStates Financial Corp., has joined the Philadelphia-based law firm of Montgomery, McCracken, Walker & Rhoads as counsel.

Gordon will head the firm's banking and finance section.

''Joe Gordon's arrival will consolidate and expand the activities of our banking and finance group, not only in our representation of banks, but also in our representation of corporate clients who regularly deal with banks,''

said Ralph W. Brenner, the firm's chairman. ''We are proud to be associated with a lawyer of Joe's stature.''

In his 31 years with the Philadelphia National Bank and CoreStates, Gordon witnessed the evolution of the Philadelphia banking industry from a close-knit community to an intensely competitive business besieged by takeovers and burgeoning regulations.

His qualifications provide him with a unique perspective in counseling financial institutions on regulatory matters, mergers and acquisitions, commercial lending, secured transactions, and a wide range of banking matters.

A Haverford resident, Gordon currently serves as chairman of the board of directors of Main Line Health Inc., and has served as chairman of the board of Lankenau Hospital. He is a founder and past chairman of the Philadelphia Bar Association's Section of Corporate Banking and Business Law.

Founded in 1912, Montgomery, McCracken, Walker & Rhoads is a full-service law firm of 150 attorneys located in center city Philadelphia, with branch offices in Cherry Hill, N.J.; Media, Pa.; and Washington, D.C.

The firm has represented numerous financial institutions, such as the Philadelphia National Bank, Wilmington Trust Co., Provident National Bank, Fidelity Bank, Meridian Bank, Midlantic Bank and Credit Lyonnais.

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WOBURN, Mass. (OCT 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Easel Corp. (NASDAQ:EASL) Monday reported net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $487,550, or $0.10 per share, before extraordinary item, compared with $521,609, or $0.12 per share, before extraordinary item, for the same quarter a year ago.

Revenues for the third quarter grew to $4,302,876 from $3,081,133 for the year-ago quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $1,362,327, or $0.30 per share, before extraordinary item, compared with $819,097, or $0.19 per share, before extraordinary item, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $12,066,808 compared with $7,395,052 for the same period last year.

''We are pleased with 1990's third-quarter earnings performance which exceeded our expectations by about 10 percent,'' said R. Douglas Kahn, president and chief executive officer.

Kahn continued, ''In last year's third quarter, we began receiving royalty, license and maintenance payments as a result of our newly formed relationship with IBM. However, at that time, we had not yet incurred the costs associated with IBM-related maintenance and support activities. Therefore, income from operations for the third quarter of 1989 was unusally high.

''Easel's 1990 third-quarter performance more accurately reflects our expense structure, and the growing demand for Easel's graphical application software development tools,'' said Kahn. ''During the period, sales to existing and new customers expanded, as more Fortune 1,000 companies such as Ford Motor Company, Ralston Purina Company and British Telecom continued to realize productivity improvements associated with our products.

''We also strengthened our foothold in the European marketplace by adding distributors in France and the Netherlands,'' continued Kahn. ''While international sales represented only two percent of our revenues in 1989 and four percent for the nine-month period ended September 30, 1990, the relatively untapped European market is an important element of our company's future growth.

''We expect that sales and earnings will continue to grow, despite a slower U.S. economy, because of EASEL's increased market acceptance in the industry for graphical applications development software,'' concluded Kahn.

Easel Corp. is a leader in the fast-growing market for graphical application software development tools. The company's technology allows programmers to create personal workstation-based applications, which feature graphical user interfaces and integrate with new and existing host-computer systems.

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BINGHAMTON, N.Y. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of BSB Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:BSBN), holding company for Binghamton Savings Bank, has declared a 3 cents per share increase in the quarterly cash dividend to 18 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 23, 1990.

William H. Rincker, president and chief executive officer of BSB Bancorp Inc., said, ''This increase in the quarterly cash dividend reflects the board of directors' confidence in BSB Bancorp's future financial performance.

The board of directors has also authorized the corporation to repurchase up to an additional 120,000 shares of its common stock, which represents approximately 4 percent of its currently issued and outstanding shares of common stock.

Shares will be repurchased from time to time during the next six months in open market and unsolicited, negotiated transactions. Repurchases will be subject to availability and prices which are acceptable to the corporation and which comply with all applicable law.

Rincker also announced that the stock repurchase program adopted by the corporation's board of directors on May 29, 1990, has been completed satisfactorily; pursuant to which 160,000 shares of BSB Bancorp common stock (approximately 5 percent) has been acquired within the specified time period established for that program.

Rincker stated, ''The board of directors adopted the new repurchase program because it continues to consider BSB Bancorp's stock to be an attractive investment.'' Rincker also noted that a principal effect of the repurchase program will be to increase the book value and earnings per share of those shares of BSB Bancorp stock that remain outstanding after the repurchases.

Assuming completion of this new stock repurchase program, the corporation will have acquired 280,000 shares, pursuant to stock repurchase programs. BSB Bancorp Inc., which currently has 2,973,462 shares of common stock outstanding is the holding company for Binghamton Savings Bank, a New York-chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank headquartered in Binghamton.

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LAKE WORTH, Fla. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Suburban Bankshares Inc. reported net income of $149,000 or 12 cents per share for its third quarter of 1990, which represents a 24 percent increase over the $120,000, or 9 cents per share reported for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $576,000 or 49 cents per share, an increase of 31 percent over the $438,000 or 36 cents per share reported for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

R.M. Brannan, president and chief executive officer of the company and its subsidiary, Suburban Bank, stated that the increase in net income in 1990 over the comparable periods in 1989 was due to growth of the company's assets and a significant reduction in the level of other real estate owned.

Other real estate owned amounted to $756,000 or .38 percent of the company's total assets. This compares to other real estate owned at Sept. 30, 1989, of $2,050,000, or 1.12 percent of the company's total assets at that date.

The company's earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 declined from the earnings per share reported in the second quarter (20 cents) due to higher provisions for loan and real estate losses as non-performing loans at Sept. 30 1990, increased to $2,401,000, or 1.84 percent of total loans, from $1,376,000, or 1.15 percent of total loans, at Sept. 30, 1989.

Brannan indicated that the company performed well in the third quarter notwithstanding the increase in problem loans in view of the deterioration in the real estate markets in the companay's service areas.

He pointed out that a reduction of approximately 25 percent in the non-performing loan accounts occurred after the end of the Sept. 30 quarter as a $619,000 commercial real estate loan was brought current and restructured.

Brannan also pointed out that total non-performing assets, i.e., other real estate owned and non-performing loans, reduced by the subsequent $619,000 adjustment, totaled $2,538,000, or 1.27 percent of total assets, which is a ratio lower than current peer group levels.

Total loans and deposits at Sept. 30, 1990, were $129,540,000 and $170,316,000 respectively. These amounts represent increases of 9.51 percent and 10.34 percent, respectively, over their Sept. 30, 1989, levels.

Suburban Bankshares Inc. is a $200 million one bank holding company with four banking offices located in West Palm Beach and Lake Worth, Fla.

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WORCESTER, MASS. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Test results just received by Wyman-Gordon Co. clearly show that there is no radioactive contamination of the groundwater at or near the company's Grafton Plant.

Recent news articles had raised questions regarding the environmental impact of the burial, many years ago, of some waste material that contained naturally occurring low level radioactivity in a magnesium alloy processed by Wyman-Gordon for the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC).

Recent tests of samples of ground water taken down gradient from the buried waste site, as well as samples taken by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MPH) from the taps of private wells in the immediate area, prove that

these samples are all well within safe drinking water standards established by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and MPH. Company officials earlier today turned over the test results received from Clean Harbors Analytical Services Inc. of Braintree, Mass., to Grafton Town Administrator, Daniel J. Morgado and Hazardous Waste Coordinator, Fred Haffty.

According to George L. Durfee, manager, manufacturing & industrial engineering at Wyman-Gordon and overseer of the tests, ''These test data show conclusively that there is no radioactive contamination of any water in this area as a result of magnesium -3% thorium waste material which was buried per Atomic Energy Commission guidelines at our Grafton Plant between 1958 and 1966.

''We fully anticipate similar test results from water samples currently being tested by other laboratories and we will also turn over these test results to the Town of Grafton.''

Wyman-Gordon commissioned the tests by Clean Harbors and by the MIT Nuclear Reactor Laboratory after a series of meetings had been held between company officials and Grafton Town officials including selectman Ray Mead, selectwoman Sheila Ide as well as Mssrs. Morgado and Haffty.

The Grafton town officials and their constituents, particularly residents with homes near the Wyman-Gordon Grafton plant, were concerned about a series of articles which appeared in the Worcester Telegram & Gazette, beginning on Sept. 23, 1990, which focused on questionable data obtained from water samples collected at Wyman-Gordon's North Grafton waste site in 1983. These test data were filed with the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA).

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ELIZABETHTOWN, KY. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - First Federal Financial Corp. of Kentucky (NASDAQ/NMS:FFKY) reported a profit of $730,930, or 69 cents per share for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares to a profit of $719,214, or 68 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

First Federal Financial Corp. of Kentucky held its annual stockholders meeting on Oct. 17, 1990. Directors Van Earl Allen, Wreno M. Hall and Walter D. Huddleston were re-elected to serve on the board for three year terms. The accounting firm of Whelan, Johnson, Doerr & Pike was appointed to serve as the corporation's auditing firm for the current fiscal year.

At the oganizational meeting of the board of directors of First Federal Financial Corp. and its wholly owned subsidiary, First Federal Savings Bank, both boards approved the following change in management position: Wayne G. Overall Jr., current president was named chairman of the board for both entities.

Larry W. Logsdon, current exective vice president, was named president and chief executive officer of both entities. M. Dennis Young, current treasurer was named vice president, treasurer, and assistant to the president for both corporations.

First Federal Financial Corp. of Kentucky is a holding company which through its wholly owned subsidiary, First Federal Savings Bank, offers banking services to the central Kentucky towns of Elizabethtown, Radcliff, Bardstown and Munfordville.

In addition to banking services, First Federal Savings Bank, through a subsidiary known as First Service Corp., offers life insurance and investment and securities brokerage services.

The common stock of First Federal Financial Corp. of Kentucky is traded in the national market system under the NASDAQ symbol FFKY. earket makers for the stock are J.J.B. Hilliard, W.L. Lyons and Robinson-Humphrey.

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NATCHEZ, MISS. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Callon Consolidated Partners L.P. (NASDAQ:CCLPZ) Monday announced that a quarterly cash distribution of $.075 per unit will be paid Nov. 30, 1990, to unitholders of record on Nov. 9, 1990.

This represents an annualized 16 percent return on investment based on the present price of CCP units.

The partnership's last distribution of 15 cents per unit was paid on Aug. 31, 1990. In September 1990 the partnership's unitholders approved an amendment providing for the reinvestment of a portion of partnership cash flow to replace production.

This payment represents the 15th consecutive quarterly distribution and will bring total cash distributions to $19.4 million since the formation of CCP.

The partnership produces oil and natural gas from domestic onshore properties located primarily in the Gulf Coast region. The partnership's 5.9 million

depositary receipts for units of limited partnership interest trade on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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WALTHAM, MASS. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - AICorp Inc. (NASDAQ:AICP) Monday reported revenues of $5,308,000 for its second quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 77 percent increase over $3,005,000 in revenues for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net income was $1,158,000 or $.13 per share for the second quarter, compared with a loss of ($165,000) or ($.02) a share for the same period a year ago.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, AICorp Inc. reported revenues of $10,323,000, a 79 percent increase over $5,762,000 in revenues for the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income was $1,674,000 or $.20 per share for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a loss of ($779,000) or ($.11) a share for the same period a year ago.

The company completed its initial public offering at the beginning of the quarter when it received the proceeds of over $13 million from the sale of 1,500,000 shares of its common stock. ''The public offering has given us the capital required to invest in our products, maximize our sales opportunities and appropriately support our growing installed base of customers,'' Goldman stated.

Second quarter highlights include the first commercial shipments of the Digital Equipment VAX VMS version of KBMS, AICorp's flagship product; AICorp's designation as a Digital Equipment Corp. Complementary Software House (CSH); and the announcement of AICorp's planned participation in the Initiative for Managing Knowledge Assets (IMKA).

AICorp Inc., founded in 1975, is a leading developer of multi-platform, integrated knowledge base/CASE software for corporate computing environments including IBM mainframes, Digital Equipment VAX VMS and IBM PCs. Its product line includes KBMS, the Knowledge Base Management System and INTELLECT, the first natural language system for database access. In March 1990, AICorp acquired the 1st-CLASS Expert Systems Inc. product, 1st-CLASS, an end-user expert system development software tool.

AICorp has 128 employees at its Waltham, Mass. headquarters and regional offices in major cities throughout the United States and Canada. AICorp Europe, the company's European distributor, with 23 employees, has offices in Belgium, France, Germany, Holland, and the United Kingdom. Other

international distributors are based in Australia, Denmark, Italy, Japan, Norway, Sweden and Switzerland.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - J.W. Gant Financial Inc. (Boston:JWGU), an investment banking and broker/dealer member of the Boston Stock Exchange, announced Monday it is withdrawing the listing of its units on the NASDAQ System.

The units will continue trading on the Boston Exchange under the symbol ''JWGU '' said Eric Russell, president of J.W. Gant Financial.

J.W. Gant Financial Inc. is a holding company for its wholly-owned securities brokerage, trading and investment banking subsidiary, J.W. Gant & Associates Inc., an operationally-integrated self-clearing firm with headquarters in Englewood, Colo., and its regional office in Boca Raton, Fla.

It is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD).

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Lilly Industrial Coatings Inc. (NASDAQ:LICIA), announced that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 500,000 shares of its outstanding common stock.

The purchases will be made in the open market.

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MEMPHIS, TN (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Insituform of North America, Inc. (''INA'') (NASDAQ:INSUA) announced that William C. Willis, Jr. has been named its Chief Executive Officer, effective Monday.

Willis succeeds James D. Krugman, who has served as acting Chief Executive Officer since April and remains as Chairman of the Board. Jack Massar,

President and Chief Operating Officer, continues in those duties.

Most recently, the 38 year old Willis was President of The Paper Art Company, Inc., the Indianapolis-based subsidiary of The Mennen Company. During Willis' four year tenure, Paper Arts' sales quadrupled while producing a commensurate increase in profits. In his role as President, Mr. Willis was also responsible for identifying, analyzing and integrating acquisitions.

In 1982, Willis was employed by Jeno's Frozen Pizza Company, initially as Executive Vice President. At that time, Jeno's was unprofitable. Eight months later, he was promoted to President and within a year's time, Jeno's turned the corner to profitability on a 21% sales increase. At the time of the eventual sale of Jeno's in 1985, annual revenues had grown approximately 43% and profits approximated 12% of revenues. Upon completion of the sale, he joined R.W. Consultants, Inc., the merger and acquisition firm that had been retained by Jeno's.

Willis earned his B.A. and M.B.A. degrees from Columbia University. His first job was with PepsiCo, Inc.'s Frito-Lay subsidiary. He later held executive positions with International Playtex and Keyes Fibre Corporation.

Willis and his wife Donna are relocating to Memphis. He is a member of the Young Presidents Organization, the Columbia Alumni Advisory Board and a member and director of several business and civic organizations in Indianapolis.

In announcing Willis' appointment, Krugman stated, ''Will Willis is an outstanding businessman with drive, proven leadership skills and entrepreneurial instincts. He has built a track record of substantial accomplishments, both in turning around unprofitable businesses and in successfully growing profitable ones. All of us at INA welcome Will to the team.''

Insituform of North America, Inc. provides state-of-the-art techniques for the reconstruction of deteriorated pipelines utilizing the InsituformR Process. In addition, INA furnishes its present network of thirteen United States licensees with the InsitutubeR, resins and other related products used by them in the rehabilitation of pipeline systems throughout the country, and is a center of research and development for trenchless pipeline rehabilitation processes.

Through a wholly-owned subsidiary, NU-PIPE, Inc., INA plans to introduce the NuPipeR Process later this year.

INA serves the needs of America's infrastructure.

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BURLINGTON, MA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Dynatech Corp. (NASDAQ:DYTC) Monday reported its operating results for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales of $126.1 million were up 24 percent from $102 million in the second quarter of the prior year. Net income of $4.6 million rose 16 percent from $4 million, and income per share of 49 cents was 26 percent higher than 39 cents per share reported in the same quarter a year ago.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, sales of $242.3 million were up 18 percent from the same period a year ago. First half net income of $9 million was up from $8 million of a year ago, and income per share of 94 cents increased 25 percent from 75 cents per share.

With reported fiscal 1990 sales of $433 million, Dynatech Corp. is a diversified supplier of high-technology products and systems used in the collection, processing, analysis, and display of information. Headquartered in Burlington, Dynatech sells its products worldwide through subsidiaries located throughout North America, Europe and Asia.

DYNATECH CORP.
Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income
(unaudited)
(In thousands except per share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Six Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$126,134	$102,042	$242,298	$204,861
Gross profit	66,148	53,468	128,112	105,736
Product development	13,629	10,333	26,072	20,306
Income before taxes	8,110	7,166	15,743	13,697
Net income	4,622	3,993	8,973	7,970
Income per share	$ 0.49	$ 0.39	$ 0.94	$ 0.75
Avg. number of shares outstanding	9,490	10,354	9,545	10,565

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LEE, MA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Capfilm Inc., an over-the-counter traded company, announced Monday that its Nov. 2, 1990 Annual Meeting of shareholders has been adjourned to Dec. 14, 1990, 11:00 a.m., Greylock Street, Lee.

The company has established Nov. 19, 1990 as the record date for shareholders to be entitled to vote at the above mentioned meeting. The company is in the process of responding to comments to its proxy statement from the Securities and Exchange Commission and will forward formal notices to shareholders of record.

Capfilm is engaged in marketing and production of polycarbonate dielectric film utilized as insulating materials in high performance precision electronic capcitors.

Precision film capcitors are utilized in equipment manufactured for the medical, telecommunication, military, and aircraft instrumentation industries as a result of such capacitators low loss electrical properties, lightweight, small size and high temperature capabilities.

Presently the company believes that Bayer A.G., a Western German company, is the only producer of polycarbonate dielectric film other than the company.

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Sue Ellen Anton, 201/542-7880

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MONTVALE, NJ (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. Inc. Monday said that it has finalized its acquisition of 69 supermarkets in Ontario from Canadian food retailer Steinberg Inc.

In the transaction, approved by the Investment Canada Agency, A&P acquires stores operating under both the Miracle Foodmart and Miracle Ultra-Mart banners, most of which are located in the greater Toronto Metropolitan area.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. Inc. is headquartered in Montvale and operates 1,211 supermarkets in 26 U.S. states and Canada including 159 A&P stores and 35 Dominion stores in the Province of Ontario.

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DUNCAN, SC (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - One Price Clothing Stores Inc. (NASDAQ:

ONPR) reported that for the third quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, sales increased 25 percent to $25,387,692 from $20,280,715 for the like quarter of last year.

Net income for the quarter however decreased to $154,085 from $491,981 last year.

Earnings per share were 2 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990 compared with 7 cents per share for the like quarter of 1989. Earnings per share decreased 71 percent.

For the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990 sales were $81,240,529 compared with $59,421,167 for the comparable period of last year, and increase of 37 percent. Net income for the nine months increased 17 percent to $2,912,696 from $2,486,804. For the first three quarters of 1990, earnings per share were 44 cents per share vs. 37 cents per share a year earlier, an increase of 19 percent.

Same store sales decreased 7 percent for the third quarter 1990 compared with the like quarter last year. For the first nine months of 1990, comparable sales were down .2 percent over the like nine months of the prior year.

The company considers stores that are 18 months or older as comparable for this purpose. There were 163 comparable stores at the end of the quarter.

Management feels that sales during the third quarter were adversely impacted by the general downturn in the economy which resulted in a slowdown in consumer spending, particularly during the month of September.

Earnings per share for the third quarter reflects the negative impact of additional expanses which totaled 5 cents per share. The additional expenses relate to transition costs for the company's merchandise price change to $7 and one time charges, including severance expenses related to the company's former president.

A net of 15 new stores were opened during the third quarter of 1990. During the first nine months of 1990, a net of 53 new stores were opened. A net of 54 new stores were opened during the like period in 1989.

At Sept. 29, 1990, the company operated a total of 279 stores in 12 states, compared with 209 stores in operation at the end of third quarter last year. This represents a 33 percent increase in stores.

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SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Westpac Banking Corp. (NYSE:WBK) Monday finalized the setting-up of the first joint banking venture between Australia and Indonesia.

Westpac's Managing Director, Stuart Fowler, said the Westpac Panin Bank with Pan Indonesia Bank Ltd. as a shareholder would open today with G. Jamieson Bryan as its president.

Westpac Panin will specialize in trade financing for Australian and Indonesian companies with business operations in both countries. It is likely to give a boost to the two-way trade between Australia and Indonesia, now running at more than $A1.6 billion a year.

The creation of Westpac Panin crowns more than 10 years of cooperation between the two banks in financing large corporations and export deals.

Fowler said Westpac Panin would provide new opportunities for involvement in Indonesia's transition to the status of newly-industrializing country (NIC). Each month, more Australian-Indonesian joint venture opportunities are being explored.

''The focus will be on trade-related financing, especially the export of Indonesian-made products or value-added goods and services,'' Fowler said.

Westpac's extensive international network would also give the new bank access to business in other countries, Fowler said. This would result in increased exports and overall economic improvement for Indonesia.

Westpac Banking Corp. is an international financial services group headquartered in Australia, with operations extending offshore to 29 countries. In its home markets of Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and the South West Pacific, Westpac offers a full range of banking and financial services. Specialized services are provided through Westpac offices in Asia, Europe and the United States.

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Elaine Svensson, 212/551-2775

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (OCT 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Bolt Beranek and Newman Inc. (BBN) Monday reported net income of $5,193,000, or 28 cents per share, on sales of $62,585,000 for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compared to a net loss of $3,143,000, or 17 cents per share, on sales of $64,149,000 for the same period a year ago. This year's first quarter results

include non-operating income of $5,096,000 relating to a previously announced sale of equipment to Delta Air Lines.

The company reported operating income of approximately $525,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. BBN Chairman and chief executive officer, Stephen R. Levy, said the company benefited from the cost reductions achieved during fiscal year 1990, and from substantially improved product margins when compared to the same period a year ago.

BBN also announced the signing of a contract with the U.S. Defense Communications Agency for network management operations, hardware and software maintenance, network installation, training, and network engineering services in support of the Defense Data Network (DDN). The contract is funded for $33 million in its first year and provides options for up to an additional four years of effort. The contract is in addition to an ''indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity'' (IDIQ) contract recently awarded BBN under which the company will also provide communications hardware for the DDN.

''We are extremely pleased that BBN will continue to serve the worldwide data communications needs of the Department of Defense under these two contracts. The Defense Data Network is one of the world's largest private data communications networks and is therefore one of the most important areas of activity for our Communications Division, which has been in the business of building global data network systems for government and industry for over 20 years.'' Levy said.

Levy also reported that BBN Advanced Computers' results were better than anticipated. During the quarter, it sold two of its TC2000 parallel computer systems to aerospace and defense companies for use in simulation applications on defense-related programs. ''The refocusing of BBN Advanced Computers business, the cost reductions made during fiscal 1990, and the high level of satisfaction of existing TC2000 customers, have had a favorable impact on the operating results for this subsidiary in the two most recent quarters.''

Headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., Bolt Beranek and Newman is a diversified high technology corporation. BBN undertakes contract research and development in computer, communications and acoustics technologies; builds medium-to-large-scale systems including data communication networks, distributed simulation and training systems, sensor and surveillance systems, and large-scale parallel processing computer systems; and develops and markets packaged data analysis software products. For its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, BBN had sales of $262 million. T

CONTACT: Bolt Beranek and Newman Inc., Cambridge Ralph A. Goldwasser, 617/873-2862

-30- 3302

#90295c0002 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:16 that trade in Unitog Co. (NASDAQ: UTOG) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 10 1/2. The company is located in Kansas City, MO.

-30- 327

#90295c0003 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:24 that trade in Geodyne Resources Inc.(NASDAQ: GEOD) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2. The company is located in Tulsa, OK.

-30- 340

#90295c0004 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:38 that trade in Tyco Toys Inc. (NASDAQ: TTOY) has been resumed. The first sale was 9 1/2; down 1/2 point from the halt, and down 3/4 point from the previous close.

-30- 354

#90295c0005 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:45 that trade in Oklahoma Gas & Electric Preferred A (NASDAQ: OGE) has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE.

-30- 332

#90295c0007 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:56 that trade in Boulevard Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: BLVD) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 13. The company is located in Chicago, IL.

-30- 343

#90295c0008 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Del-Val Financial has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol DVL. Trading was resumed at 10:20.

-30- 347

#90295c0009 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 17, 1990 CRI Insured Mortgage Assn. Inc. filed a complaint in New York against AIM Capital seeking preliminary and permanent injunctive relief to enjoin alleged violations of anti-fraud laws related to certain misleading information provided in American Insured Mortgage Investment (TICKER: AIMA)'s schedule 14D-9 and related press releases.

-30- 570
#90295c0014 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. KAYED OF 1224 VILLAGE WAY, SANTA ANA, CA 92705, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,980 SHARES OF SOUTHLAND COMMUNICATIONS INC.(TICKER: SCII) THROUGH BHC SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 15, 1990.

(SOUTHLAND COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 714 664-1600)

-30- 434
#90295c0015 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.C. RICHINS OF 1073 E SHERWOOD DR, KAYSVILLE, UT 84037, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC.(TICKER: WSFG) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 15, 1990.

(WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC. TEL: 801 621-7414)

-30- 426
#90295c0016 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. FIDIPAREX OF 6215 FERRIS SQUARE, SUITE 180, SAN DIEGO, CA 92121, HAS FILED TO SELL 83,500 SHARES OF AMERICA'S COFFEE CUP INC. THROUGH WILLIAM BARTON FINANCIAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 10, 1990.

(AMERICA'S COFFEE CUP INC. TEL: 619 558-2660)

-30- 438
#90295c0017 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - V.D. MAXWELL-COX OF 1209 NW HIGHWAY, SUITE 308, GARLAND, TX 75041, HAS

FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF MAXWELL-COX GROUP INC. THROUGH BRIGHTON SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 10, 1990.

(MAXWELL-COX GROUP INC. TEL: 214 606-3399)

-30- 425
#90295c0019 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.L. VARNER OF 8945 VALLEY HILL DR, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35206, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF BIONOMIC SCIENCES INTERNATIONAL THROUGH R G DICKINSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 9, 1990.

(BIONOMIC SCIENCES INTERNATIONAL TEL: 314 349-1208)

-30- 433
#90295c0020 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.H. BOATRIGHT OF 8945 VALLEY HILL DR, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35206, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF BIONOMIC SCIENCES INTERNATIONAL THROUGH R G DICKINSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 9, 1990.

(BIONOMIC SCIENCES INTERNATIONAL TEL: 314 349-1208)

-30- 440
#90295c0021 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - I.G. GLOVER OF 8945 VALLEY HILLS DR, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35206, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF BIONOMIC SCIENCES INTERNATIONAL THROUGH R G DICKINSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 9, 1990.

(BIONOMIC SCIENCES INTERNATIONAL TEL: 314 349-1208)

-30- 434
#90295c0022 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. BARSON OF P.O. BOX 85, CLARKSTON, UT 84305, HAS FILED TO SELL 255,000 SHARES OF INTERSTATE GOLD & GAS THROUGH WILSON DAVIS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 9, 1990.

(INTERSTATE GOLD & GAS TEL: 801 513-5818)

-30- 400
#90295c0023 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. GOWER OF 4 WINWOOD CT, DIX HILLS, NY 11746, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,167 SHARES OF FIRST PRIORITY GROUP INC.(TICKER: FPGP) THROUGH BAIRD PATRICK & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 11, 1990.

(FIRST PRIORITY GROUP INC. TEL: 516 334-5665)

-30- 422
#90295c0024 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. GREENE OF 15 MELVILLE LANE, GREAT NECK, NY 11023, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,693 SHARES OF ANGLO SWISS MINING CORP. (TICKER: ASMC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 12, 1990.

(ANGLO SWISS MNG CORP. TEL: 604 685-4368)

-30- 415
#90295c0025 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. ROSS OF 3785 SOUTH 300 EAST, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84115, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF NEW WAVE ENERGY INC. THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 11, 1990.

(NEW WAVE ENERGY INC. TEL: 801 973-0177)

-30- 394
#90295c0027 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.T. HINRICHSEN OF 624 N MOUNTAINVILLE CIRCLE, ALPINE, UT 84001, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MERLIN MINING CO. (TICKER: MMCO) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 10, 1990.

(MERLIN MINING CO. TEL: 801 521-6700)

-30- 421
#90295c0028 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - J.H. TOLMAN OF 343 SOUTH SCENIC, ALPINE, UT 84004, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF MERLIN MINING CO. (TICKER: MMCO) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 10, 1990.

(MERLIN MINING CO. TEL: 801 521-6700)

-30- 402
#90295c0029 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G.S. DOLLAR OF 79 SOUTH LONE PEAK DR, ALPINE, UT 84004, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF MERLIN MINING CO. (TICKER: MMCO) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 10, 1990.

(MERLIN MINING CO. TEL: 801 521-6700)

-30- 407
#90295c0030 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W. LEWARDAVSKI OF 3301 NEWTON, UNION LAKE, MI 48085, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SCS PRODUCTIONS CORP. THROUGH TOLUCA PACIFIC SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 15, 1990.

(SCS PRODUCTIONS CORP. TEL: 212 662-0048)

-30- 406
#90295c0031 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.J. OWEN OF 480 62ND ST, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL FOOD & BEVERAGE IN THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 15, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL FOOD & BEVERAGE IN TEL: 714 858-8800)

-30- 422
#90295c0032 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, R.H. PACK, DIR. OF ALLEGHENY BANKSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 534 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,896.

-30- 298
#90295c0033 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 5, 1990, REAM INTERESTS INC, DIR. OF ALLEGHENY BANKSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,831.

-30- 316
#90295c0035 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP. 24, 1990, CRAWFORD MIMS, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL FINL CORP. (MS) BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,828.

-30- 307
#90295c0036 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, A.E. MIRTI, CHAIRMAN OF PRECISION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: PRES) BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90295c0037 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, A.E. MIRTI, CHAIRMAN OF PRECISION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: PRES) BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $0.39 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90295c0038 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 20, 1990, A.E. MIRTI, CHAIRMAN OF PRECISION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: PRES) BOUGHT 24,547 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 251,087.

-30- 331
#90295c0039 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 15, 1990, D.J. BOURNE, DIR. OF POTASH CORP OF SASKATCHEWAN INC.

(TICKER: POT), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 324
#90295c0040 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1990, E.E. BEAVERS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHEROKEE FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK, CANTON (GA) BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,500.

-30- 349
#90295c0041 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, M.S. LAPERA, VP OF FCNB CORP BOUGHT 132 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 243
#90295c0043 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 17, 1990, Caesar's extended its tender offer from Oct. 17 to Nov. 19, 1990. The previously announced settlement of lawsuits brought by certain of Caesars New Jersey Inc.(TICKER: CJN)'s shareholders continues to be subject to final court approval, which is not expected until Dec. 1990 or later.

-30- 517
#90295c0045 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY HANROW CAPITAL FUND III OWNS 500,000 SHARES (6.00%) OF ANGEION CORP (TICKER: ANGN) OF PLYMOUTH, MN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 8, 1990, Hanrow Capital Fund III acquired 500,000 shares for $1,675,0000 pursuant to a stock purchase agreement dated Sept. 13, 1990 with

Angeion Corp., which includes stand-still provisions.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 575
#90295c0046 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY CENTRAL NATIONAL-GOTTESMAN INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 310,960 SHARES (8.65%) OF A.O. SMITH CORP (TICKER: SMCA) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Central National-Gottesman Inc. sold 62,500 class C preferred shares on Oct. 11, 1990 for $21.63 per share and purchased 500 class B common shares for $14.13 per share on Oct. 15, 1990.

-30- 560
#90295c0047 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

MERCURY ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC OWNS 147,000 SHARES (8.10%) OF AUTO DEPOT INC (TICKER: AUTD) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION: Mercury Asset Management PLC purchased 147,000 shares on Sept. 7, 1990 for $.5 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 461
#90295c0048 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY MARCO HOLDINGS LP OWNS 1,500,000 SHARES (19.40%) OF CHECKROBOT INC (TICKER: CKRB) OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 17, 1990, Holdings submitted a proposal to the company to provide $5 million in additional financing.

-30- 450
#90295c0049 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

D.A. ROCKER OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 429,400 SHARES (8.40%) OF DATASCOPE CORP (TICKER: DSCP) OF MONTVALE, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 4 through Oct. 9, 1990, D.A. Rocker purchased 54,000 shares at a price of $22.06 to $25.81 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 477
#90295c0050 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 22

GROUP LED BY CORONET INSURANCE CO OWNS 744,400 SHARES (39.97%) OF ALBA-WALDENSIAN INC (TICKER: AWS) OF VALDESE, NC.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 23, 1990 through Oct. 8, 1990, Alba-Waldensian Inc. purchased 28,800 shares of Alba common stock for an aggregate purchase price of $164,318.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 546
#90295c0052 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:29 that trade in Howard Savings Bank (NASDAQ: HWRD) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 1/16. The company is located in Newark, NJ.

-30- 342
#90295c0053 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY PHOENIX PARTNERS OWNS 28,200 SHARES (13.15%) OF KANEB SERVICES INC (TICKER: KAB) OF RICHARDSON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective on Sept. 21, 1990, Kaneb Services Inc. filed an amendment to its certificate of incorporation which effected a reclassification of the class A preferred stock and eliminated all dividends that had accrued on the class A preferred stock but that had not been paid through June 30, 1990. Consequently the right of the holders of the class A preferred stock to vote as a class for the election of two directors to the board has been eliminated since Kaneb Services Inc. will not be in arrears on the payment of the equivalent of six quarterly dividend payments on the shares.

PURPOSE:

Termination of class A filing obligations.

-30- 989
#90295c0054 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - Austin, Texas-based Continuum Co. Inc. (TICKER: CNU) has acquired Computations Holdings Ltd., an Australian computer-services and consulting firm, in a stock swap, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 18, 1990.

-30- 505
#90295c0055 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - Calabasas, Calif.-based Tekelec (TICKER: TKLC) has acquired the assets of the telecommunications test-equipment business of

Hard Engineering Inc. for $3 million and the assumption of $1 million in debt, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The deal also provided for Tekelec to pay Hard Engineering up to another $4 million over the next five years, based on the sales of products using Hard Engineering's technology.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 18, 1990.

-30- 724

#90295c0056 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - Tipperaray Petroleum Co.(TICKER: TIPR), a unit of Denver-based Tipperary Corp., has agreed to acquire a 50 percent interest in certain oil and gas leaseholds owned by Pennsylvania Castle Energy Corp. in Alabama for $3 million cash, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 18, 1990.

-30- 568

#90295c0057 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - Cleveland-based Victoria Financial Corp. (TICKER: VICF) has raised $4.25 million with a private placement of 10-year, 10 percent convertible subordinated notes.

Proceeds were used to reduce debt and provide capital for Victoria's subsidiary, Victoria Fire & Casualty Co., to support its growth in writing non-standard automobile insurance, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Victoria Financial also plans to offer $2 million in similar debt securities to its shareholders under a rights offering.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 18, 1990.

-30- 815

#90295c0058 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - Melville, N.Y.-based Aviation Education Systems Inc.(TICKER: AES) has acquired Barton ATC Inc., a Murfreesboro, Tenn., operator of 11 air-traffic control towers and three meteorological observatories, for $750,000 and 1.5 million of its common shares, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 18, 1990.

-30- 585
#90295c0060 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

J.M. DAVIS OWNS 2,356,927 CLASS A SHARES (7.70%) OF MEDICIS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP (TICKER: MDRX) OF WASHINGTON, DC.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 1 to Sept. 28, 1990, J.M. Davis purchased 1,145,495 and sold 1,270,504 class A shares for $.83 to $1.41 per share and purchased 546,557 and sold 677,941 warrants for $.32 to $.53 per warrant.

-30- 553
#90295c0061 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.K. FINN OF 224 BILTMORE BLVD, MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,500 SHARES OF AMERICAN LEISURE ENTERTAINMENT THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 16, 1990.

-30- 370
#90295c0062 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K.J. WIDDER OF P.O. BOX 3644, RANCHO SANTA FE, CA 92067, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF MOLECULAR BIOSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MB) THROUGH ESSEX CAPITAL MARKETS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 17, 1990.

(MOLECULAR BIOSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 619 452-0681)

-30- 437
#90295c0063 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, D.I. HIROTA, DIR. OF CPB INC. (TICKER: CPBI), BOUGHT

200 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600.

-30- 285
#90295c0064 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 20, 1990, G.J. MATSUMOTO, DIR. OF CPB INC. (TICKER: CPBI), BOUGHT 154 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,754.

-30- 291
#90295c0065 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 5, 1990, D.W. HAMBRICK, PRES. OF ALLEGHENY BANKSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,600.

-30- 308
#90295c0066 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 9, 1990, W. WALSH, DIR. OF WM BANCORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,010.

-30- 274
#90295c0068 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 31, 1989, FIRST PENN BANK TRUSTEE OF PLANS, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST PENNSYLVANIA CORP. BOUGHT 216,579 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,059,995.

-30- 367
#90295c0069 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 30, 1989, FIRST PENN BANK TRUSTEE OF PLANS, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST PENNSYLVANIA CORP. SOLD 26,893 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90295c0070 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, L.G. FARR, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP. BOUGHT 1,035 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,848.

-30- 311
#90295c0071 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, L.G. FARR, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 207 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,749.

-30- 307
#90295c0072 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, R.E. MALONEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 158 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,493.

-30- 329
#90295c0073 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, C. MCGANN, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 427 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,047.

-30- 296
#90295c0074 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, R.E. MELLON, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 530 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,739.

-30- 302
#90295c0076 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, M. NUNES, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 440 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,731.

-30- 296
#90295c0077 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, H.J. PAPARAZZO, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 260 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,289.

-30- 307
#90295c0078 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, S.L. POLLOCK, PRES. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 555 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,420.

-30- 307
#90295c0079 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, D.J. RINALDI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,931.

-30- 331
#90295c0080 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, T.E. WALSHE, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 104 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,928.

-30- 302
#90295c0081 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, J.R. NAYLOR, DIR. OF VOLUNTEER BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: VOLB) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0082 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, J.R. NAYLOR, DIR. OF VOLUNTEER BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: VOLB) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,529.

-30- 325

#90295c0084 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, J.K. AMSBAUGH, PRES. OF NOBEL INSURANCE LTD. (TICKER: NOBL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90295c0085 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, J.K. AMSBAUGH, PRES. OF NOBEL INSURANCE LTD. (TICKER: NOBL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90295c0086 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, J.K. AMSBAUGH, PRES. OF NOBEL INSURANCE LTD. (TICKER: NOBL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90295c0087 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, J.K. AMSBAUGH, PRES. OF NOBEL INSURANCE LTD. (TICKER: NOBL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,106.

-30- 321
#90295c0088 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J.H. DAVIS OWNS 158,200 SHARES (6.70%) OF METRO BANCSHARES INC (TICKER: MTBS) OF JERICHO, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 2, 1990 and Oct. 15, 1990 J.H. Davis purchased 33,100 shares at $4.94 to $8.38 and sold 9,900 shares at $4.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 506
#90295c0089 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.A. NOHRR AS TRUSTEE OWNS 331,389 SHARES (16.00%) OF DBA SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: DBAS) OF MELBOURNE, FL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 8, 1990 D.A. Nohrr as Trustee purchased 331,389 shares for $662,778.

PURPOSE:

To provide an asset along with other assets in the restated trust to fund annuity for Hebert with the remainder gain to the beneficiaries of the trust.

-30- 588
#90295c0090 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY T.M. TAYLOR OF FT WORTH, TX OWNS 1,357,650 SHARES (10.30%) OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC (TICKER: LQM) OF SAN ANTONIO, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 18, 1990 Taylor and Co. transmitted a letter to Sam Barshop, chairman and CEO of the registrant.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 2, 1990 and Oct. 4, 1990 the registrant purchased 19,000 shares at $12.19 to $12.91 per share.

-30- 602
#90295c0092 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Barden (TICKER: BARD) announced on Oct. 18, 1990 that it has extended its tender offer from Oct. 19 to Nov. 2, 1990.

-30- 307
#90295c0094 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

CHEYENNE SOFTWARE INC OF ROSLYN, NY OWNS 18,000,000 SHARES (48.70%) OF F A COMPUTER TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: FACO) OF GREENVILLE, SC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 11, 1990, F.A. Computer Technologies, Cheyanne and Dennis Gates, the chairman of F.A. Computer Technologies and a holder of more than 25 percent of F.A. Computer Technologies, terminated a Feb. 22, 1989 shareholder's agreement and entered into a new agreement. The new agreement provides that Cheyanne will use its best efforts to vote in favor of Gates and his nominees to serve on the board. Upon the issuance of 3,223,192 common shares to former shareholders of Gates on or about Oct. 19, 1990, Cheyenne's percentage ownership of outstanding shares will decrease from 53.4 percent to 48.7 percent.

-30- 986
#90295c0095 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.V. MURTON OWNS 988,400 SHARES (6.80%) OF STANSBURY HOLDINGS CORP (TICKER: STBY) OF SALT LAKE CITY, UT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 3, 1990, R.V. Murton entered into an agreement with the former CEO of Stansbury Holdings Corp. pursuant to which R.V. Murton's Commercial Surety and Insurance Corp. affiliate purchased 488,000 shares from the former CEO for $.50 per share and received an additional 250,000 shares.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 655
#90295c0096 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY AMERICAN SECURITIES CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 958,758 SHARES (20.56%) OF KETEMA INC (TICKER: KTM) OF BENSALEM, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Schedule A to the schedule 13D is amended hereby to delete Lance S. Gad who sold all Ketema securities he owned on Aug. 13, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 20, 1990, a trust purchased $10,000 aggregate principal amount of debentures for an aggregate consideration of $10,325 in an open market transaction. On Oct. 10 and 12, 1990, 14,600 and 3,700 shares of Ketema's common stock were purchased at a price of $9 and $8.88 per share, respectively.

-30- 809
#90295c0097 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GIRARD PARTNERS LP OWNS 2,324,671 SHARES (7.30%) OF PIC N SAVE CORP (TICKER: PICN) OF DOMINGUEZ, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Partnership, DHB Partners, G.P.C. Ltd., The All-American Chance Inc., D.W. Holdings Inc., and the Melissa Lynn Cain Trust have entered into an agreement and first amendment dated as of Oct. 15, 1990 to the limited partnership agreement of the Partnership. Pursuant to the amendment, effective Oct. 15, 1990, The All-American Chance withdrew as a limited partner from the Partnership for which it received 60,644 shares representing TAAC's sharing percentage as of the amendment date and assumed associated margin debt. As a result of the amendment, DHB Partners, GPC, DWH and the Trust shall continue the Partnership and the business of the Partnership. Pursuant to a stock purchase agreement dated Oct. 15, 1990, TAAC sold to Mr. Batchelder 20,215

shares for the consideration of $175,571 and assumed $59,988 in margin debt associated with such shares.

PURPOSE:

Agreement and first amendment.

-30- 1254
#90295c0098 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ROTTERDAM VENTURES INC OWNS 4,509,997 SHARES (21.50%) OF ADVANCED TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ATEL) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 9, 1990 Citibank NA exercised on behalf of Rotterdam Ventures Inc. a put option whereby Advanced Telecommunications repurchased 241,692 of its common shares for $4 million, or $16.55 per share.

-30- 552
#90295c0099 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 19

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC OWNS 327,016 SHARES (16.31%) OF HOPPER SOLIDAY INC (TICKER: HS) OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 31 and Oct. 17, 1990 Gabelli Funds Inc. purchased 15,700 shares at $1.63 to $2.38 per share and sold 70,900 shares at $1.13 to $2 per share.

-30- 498
#90295c0101 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY HECCO VENTURES I OWNS 1,144,822 SHARES (24.90%) OF CRAIG CORP (TICKER: CRG) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 15, 1990, each of the partners of the Craig Holdings transferred their partnership interests in Craig Corp. to Hecco Ventures I and then dissolved and liquidated Craig Holdings. Hecco now holds the 262,800 shares previously held by Holdings. Immediately prior to the liquidation, Craig Holdings, Hecco I and Cotter terminated a previous voting trust agreement.

PURPOSE:

Transfer of shares to enhance administrative convenience.

-30- 771
#90295c0102 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY CENITH PARTNERS LP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 377,900 SHARES (6.01%) OF INSTRON CORP (TICKER: ISN) OF CANTON, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 17, 1990, Instron Corp.'s chairman advised Cenith that it had received Cenith's demand letter of Aug. 13, 1990 regarding Instron Corp.'s shareholder rights agreement. On Aug. 27, 1990, Instron Corp.'s president advised Cenith that the board determined that the poison pill had not been triggered as claimed by Cenith and that no rights certificates would be issued. On Sept. 11 1990, Cenith filed a cast in Massachusetts Superior Court against Instron Corp. seeking enforcement of the poison pill and recovery from the management group of all amounts spend by Instron Corp. in defending against the action. On Oct. 1, 1990, Instron Corp. moved to dismiss the complaint.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Cenith Partners LP purchased 58,400 shares from Aug. 15 to Sept. 10, 1990 for $7.75 to $9.50 per share.

-30- 1157
#90295c0103 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY A.R. ABBOUD OF HOUSTON, TX OWNS 2,056,224 SHARES (11.16%) OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC (TICKER: FBT) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 16, 1990, Cihak resigned as a director, vice chairman and secretary of First City Bancorp of TX Inc., as well as director of various subsidiaries of First City Bancorp of TX Inc. and of Collecting Bank and its subsidiaries. Upon termination of his employment, Cihak entered into a consulting agreement with First City Bancorp of TX Inc. which expires on Apr. 30, 1993.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Since the filing of amendment no. 1, 109,593 warrant shares have vested, A.R. Abboud purchased 1,280 shares, and options for 90,000 shares became exercisable under the 1988 stock option plan.

-30- 966
#90295c0104 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY R.J. AVILA OWNS 165,500 SHARES (5.10%) OF LEISURE CONCEPTS INC (TICKER: LCIC) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

R.J. Avila purchased 10,500 shares from Oct. 9-11, 1990 for $1.83 to $2.83 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 457
#90295c0105 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

R.Q. ROTHE OWNS 46,614 SHARES (2.50%) OF REXWORKS INC (TICKER: REXW) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.Q. Roreports is no longer a trustee of Rexworks Inc.'s ESOP and no longer holds more than 5 percent of Rexworks Inc.'s common.

-30- 423
#90295c0106 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY SECURITIES HOLDING CORP OWNS 292,500 SHARES (9.60%) OF MC SHIPPING INC (TICKER: MCX) OF GUERNSEY, CHANNEL ISLANDS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Securities Holding Corp. acquired 91,000 shares from Sept. 18 to Oct. 11, 1990 for $4.50 to $7.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 501
#90295c0107 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ECUFIN INC OWNS 95,500 SHARES (5.80%) OF FARADYNE ELECTRONICS CORP (TICKER: FARA) OF BELLEVILLE, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 8 through Oct. 10, 1990, Ecuf Inc. purchased 67,500 shares at a price of $4 to $5.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 464
#90295c0109 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY TAT AERO EQUIPMENT INDUSTRIES LTD OWNS 7,289,754 SHARES (72.60%) OF GALAGRAPH LTD (TICKER: GALA) OF TEL AVIV, ISRAEL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 6, 1990, TAT sold 1,075,246 ordinary shares for an undisclosed price; on July 6, 1990, D. Zeelim purchased 588,525 ordinary shares of the company for an aggregate purchase price of $73,567 U.S. dollars, paid in cash. Also, on July 6, 1990, D. Zeelim sold 190,000 ordinary shares to Israel Ofen for an aggregate purchase price of $23,750 U.S. dollars.

PURPOSE:

Disposition of shares.

-30- 766
#90295c0110 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

P.O. RUSSELL OWNS 287,000 SHARES (4.27%) OF COBB RESOURCES CORP (TICKER: COBB) OF ALBUQUERQUE, NM.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Russell executed letter agreement dated Oct. 1, 1990 pursuant to which Russell granted to Golden an option, proxy, and rights of first offer and first refusal, in connection with the sale of shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 5, 1990 Russell sold 100,000 shares of his common stock of Resources to Golden Oil Co. for an undisclosed consideration.

-30- 677
#90295c0111 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GOLDMAN SACHS & CO OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 679,800 SHARES (7.80%) OF MSA REALTY

CORP (TICKER: SSS) OF INDIANAPOLIS, IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Goldman Sachs and GSAM have decreased their aggregate beneficial ownership of shares as a result of the sale by Goldman Sachs of 17,800 shares and the termination of client accounts containing 143,600 shares from the investment management of GSAM.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 16 through Sept. 7, 1990, Goldman Sachs & Co. purchased 41,400 shares at a price of $3.88 to $4.26 per share.

PURPOSE:

Decrease of beneficial shares.

-30- 789
#90295c0112 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

E.W. BAUMGARDNER OWNS 2,835,681 SHARES (34.58%) OF STANDARD LOGIC INC (TICKER: STDL) OF ANAHEIM, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 120,000 shares which are presently exercisable options to purchase shares of common stock owned by Baumgardner.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 506
#90295c0113 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

CORONA CORP OWNS 15,727,650 SHARES (79.60%) OF AVALON CORP (TICKER: AVAL) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Corona corp. and Avalon Corp. plan to sell their combined 49 percent interest in Poco Petroleums Ltd. in order to pay down debt and strengthen their respective balance sheets. Avalon Corp. also plans to include, as a part of the sale, its option to acquire 32 percent of voyager Energy Inc.

-30- 592
#90295c0114 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

CORONA CORP OWNS 5,251,372 SHARES (87.60%) OF AVALON CORP (TICKER: AVAL) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Corona Corp. and Avalon Corp. plan to sell their combined 49 percent interest in Poco Petroleums Ltd. in order to pay down debt and strengthen their respective balance sheets. Avalon Corp. also plans to include, as a part of the sale, its option to acquire 32 percent of voyager Energy Inc.

-30- 592
#90295c0115 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

CORONA CORP OWNS 1,261,877 SHARES (83.80%) OF AVALON CORP (TICKER: AVAL) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Corona Corp. and Avalon Corp. plan to sell their combined 49 percent interest in Poco Petroleums Ltd. in order to pay down debt and strengthen their respective balance sheets. Avalon Corp. also plans to include, as a part of the sale, its option to acquire 32 percent of voyager Energy Inc.

-30- 592
#90295c0117 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY REGAL-AIRCOA COMPANIES INC OWNS 1,130,903 SHARES (36.50%) OF

AIRCOA HOTEL PARTNERS L P (TICKER: AHT) OF DENVER, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 10, 1990 RHM acquired 531,085 units from RAC for $4.40 per unit.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 475
#90295c0118 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FERRIS INVESTMENTS LTD OWNS 935,107 SHARES (8.80%) OF GULF RESOURCES & CHEMICAL CORP (TICKER: GRE) OF BOSTON, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 9, 1990 Ferris Investments LTD and Gulf Resources & Chemical Corp. entered into a stock purchase agreement under which Ferris Investments LTD purchased 935,107 newly issued Gulf Resources & Chemical Corp. shares and received 5 million British pounds in cash in consideration of the transfer to Gulf Resources & Chemical Corp. of 44,543,750 common shares of Aviva Petroleum Inc. Ferris Investments LTD and Gulf Resources & Chemical Corp. have entered into a call option agreement whereby Gulf Resources & Chemical Corp. granted a call option to Ferris Investments LTD providing Ferris Investments LTD with the right to require Gulf Resources & Chemical Corp. to sell to Ferris Investments LTD up to one half of the Aviva shares at $.29 pounds per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 1159
#90295c0119 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 18, 1990 Condor Partners LP entered into a letter agreement with UAL Corp.(TICKER: UAL) under which UAL Corp. agreed that its board of directors

would elect Gollust and Tierney as directors of UAL Corp.

PURPOSE:

Letter agreement.

-30- 457
#90295c0120 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 19, 1990, the president and CEO of Kansas City Power & Light Co. (TICKER: KAN) sent a letter to the board members of Kansas Gas & Electric (TICKER: KSGE) outlining its position.

-30- 403
#90295c0122 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
By KAREN TIMMONS

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) UPI - Americans will spend $406 billion on insurance premiums this year, but few know exactly what they're getting for their money and many are spending too much or buying coverage they don't even need.

Customer ignorance about health, auto, life and home insurance is the hallmark of the industry, according to industry watchdog groups and consumer activist Ralph Nader, who has just co-authored a book on the subject.

It's a costly ignorance. According to the National Insurance Consumer Organization, 12 percent of the disposable income in the United States is spent on the direct and indirect costs of insurance..

Nader said consumers hold three big myths that typically cause them to make mistakes when buying insurance. The first myth, he said, is that insurance rates for the same coverage vary little.

''I don't think people are aware, because you never see comparative charts, that there are huge price differences between auto insurance companies, for example,'' Nader said. ''If people realized that, they could really shop around and find the cheaper one.''

Myth number two is that you can never have too much insurance.

''There's a lot of insurance that should never be bought under any

circumstances,'' Nader said. ''So you buy comprehensive health insurance. You don't then buy cancer insurance or other kinds of disease specific insurance which are very high-priced and not very well-written in terms of the coverage.''

J. Robert Hunter, president of the National Insurance Consumer Organization, agrees that ''buy comprehensively'' is a golden rule of insurance and adds that consumers should aim only for protection against ''catastrophic dollar losses.''

Hunter says many consumers ''tend to think backwards'' in purchasing insurance aiming for coverage of ''any little thing that goes wrong.''

''They should be thinking about what big thing can go wrong that I really need protection against,'' Hunter said. In part, that means smart consumers buy a policy that is as comprehensive as possible with the biggest deductible they can afford. Generally, the bigger the deductible, the smaller the premium.

Hunter says many Americans are purchasing ''coverages that shouldn't be bought'', such as rental car or, in some cases, life insurance, ''and even on the stuff that they should be buying they're overspending.''

Of the $406 billion Americans pay in annually in insurance premiums, Hunter said, ''somewhere on the order of $80 billion to $100 billion is excessive over-insurance or overpriced, inefficiently purchased insurance.''

Most people need only comprehensive health, life (but only if you have dependents), auto, homeowners, and disability insurance.

''The third myth'' about insurance held by many, according to Nader, ''is that there's not much that you can do if they (the insurance company) don't pay up. There's a lot that you can do.''

Nader, with lawyer turned consumer author Wesley Smith, wrote ''Winning the Insurance Game'' (Knightsbridge Publishing Co., $24.95), which includes not only tips on what to do if insurers don't pay, but a wealth of advice for buying insurance wisely and a heap of criticism against the insurance industry.

''This book is a kind of insurance policy for insurance customers against the insurance industry,'' said Nader, who currently heads the Center for the Study of Responsive Law, which researches consumer and environmental issues.

Nader points at auto and health insurance as the two ''biggest ripoffs in the industry,'' primarily because insurers have done little to keep costs down.

''The basic ideal is for the insurance industry to be the sentinel for health and safety in this country as the best way to keep down their claims by saving lives, injuries and preventing disease,'' Nader said. ''They should use their

political and economic muscle to lobby for safety. ... They can do this with a tiny portion of their financial resources.''

Nader said industry streamlining would also save consumers billions of dollars.

''The paperwork alone for health policies in our country, group and individual is $50 billion a year,'' Nader said. '' Ideally you would just have one policy that would cover the entire ball game.''

While knowledgable consumers can save both money and headaches under the current system, Nader and Smith say national health insurance and a major reform of the industry are the long-term solutions to both poor coverage and the escalating costs of insurance. With a total U.S. health care expenditure of $650 billion anticipated this year, Smith notes that 37 million Americans have no health insurance either because they can't afford it or are not healthy enough to qualify.

''Health insurance is a lot like (getting credit from) banks,'' Smith said. ''If you don't need health insurance you can get it. If you need it, you can't because they only want to insure the healthy people who won't make claims.''

Smith, who speaks on consumer issues around the country, said people increasingly view national health insurance as the answer to spiraling medical costs but are not yet motivated to push for that change.

''People are in despair,'' Smith said. ''They seem to feel impotent and powerless in the face of special interests and that's what has to change.''

-30- 5608
#90295c0123 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, D.I. HIROTA, DIR. OF CPB INC. (TICKER: CPBI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600.

-30- 284
#90295c0124 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 20, 1990, G.J. MATSUMOTO, DIR. OF CPB INC. (TICKER: CPBI), BOUGHT 154 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,754.

-30- 291
#90295c0126 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 9, 1990, W. WALSH, DIR. OF WM BANCORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,010.

-30- 274
#90295c0127 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, R.A. MALOCK, SHAREHOLDER OF AMALGAMATED AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRIES INC. SOLD 14,800 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90295c0128 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 31, 1989, FIRST PENN BANK TRUSTEE OF PLANS, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST PENNSYLVANIA CORP. BOUGHT 216,579 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,059,995.

-30- 367
#90295c0129 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 30, 1989, FIRST PENN BANK TRUSTEE OF PLANS, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST PENNSYLVANIA CORP SOLD 26,893 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90295c0130 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, L.G. FARR, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 1,035 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,848.

-30- 311
#90295c0131 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, L.G. FARR, CHAIRMAN OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 207 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,749.

-30- 307
#90295c0132 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, R.E. MALONEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 158 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,493.

-30- 329
#90295c0134 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, R.E. MELLON, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 530 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,739.

-30- 302
#90295c0135 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, I. MORRIS, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 530 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,587.

-30- 299
#90295c0136 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, M. NUNES, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 440 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,731.

-30- 296
#90295c0137 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, H.J. PAPARAZZO, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 260 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,289.

-30- 307
#90295c0138 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, S.L. POLLOCK, PRES. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 555 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,420.

-30- 307

#90295c0139 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, D.J. RINALDI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,931.

-30- 331
#90295c0140 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 12, 1990, T.E. WALSHE, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN BANCORP BOUGHT 104 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,928.

-30- 302
#90295c0142 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, J.R. NAYLOR, DIR. OF VOLUNTEER BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: VOLB) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,529.

-30- 325
#90295c0143 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 27, 1990, R.W. CUNNINGHAM, DIR. OF VOTRAX INC.(TICKER: VOTX) SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90295c0144 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, J.K. AMSBAUGH, PRES. OF NOBEL INSURANCE LTD. (TICKER: NOBL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90295c0145 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, J.K. AMSBAUGH, PRES. OF NOBEL INSURANCE LTD. (TICKER: NOBL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90295c0146 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, J.K. AMSBAUGH, PRES. OF NOBEL INSURANCE LTD. (TICKER: NOBL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90295c0147 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, J.K. AMSBAUGH, PRES. OF NOBEL INSURANCE LTD. (TICKER: NOBL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,106.

-30- 321
#90295c0148 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JANE B TR-B/O GRANDCHILDREN COO OF 200 LIBERTY ST, NEW YORK, NY 10281, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(DOW JONES & CO. TEL: 212 416-2000)

-30- 416
#90295c0150 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST OF 200 LIBERTY ST, NEW YORK, NY 10281, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(DOW JONES & CO. TEL: 212 416-2000)

-30- 419
#90295c0151 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MACELREE JANE C TRUST OF 200 LIBERTY ST, NEW YORK, NY 10281, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(DOW JONES & CO. TEL: 212 416-2000)

-30- 415
#90295c0152 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:45 that trade in Boulevard Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: BLVD) has been resumed. The first sale was 12 1/4; down 3/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 357
#90295c0153 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COX WILLIAM C JR TRUST OF 200 LIBERTY ST, NEW YORK, NY 10281, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(DOW JONES & CO. TEL: 212 416-2000)

-30- 417
#90295c0154 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Oklahoma Gas & Electric has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol OGE.A. Trading was resumed at 10:37.

-30- 359
#90295c0155 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R A JOHNSON & CO OF 573 EAST 3RD SOUTH, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84102, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,666 SHARES OF MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MSCX) THROUGH R A JOHNSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. TEL: 713 977-1312)

-30- 425
#90295c0156 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD BILL OF 2206 EAST PRAIRIE CREEK, RICHARDSON, TX 75080, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF ULTRAK INC (TICKER: ULTK) THROUGH WEBER HALL SALE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(ULTRAK INC TEL: 303 466-7333)

-30- 390
#90295c0158 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHRISTINE A BROWN OF 2324 NORTH BONFOY AVE, COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80909, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII) THROUGH BOETTCHER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(RYAN-MURPHY INC. TEL: 303 293-3835)

-30- 417
#90295c0159 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TAM NAGLESTAD OF 1880 MCKINNEY WAY, APT 20-H, SEAL BCH, CA 90740, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,187 SHARES OF PATTEN CORP. (TICKER: PAT) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(PATTEN CORP. TEL: 802 694-1581)

-30- 399
#90295c0160 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM D EARHART OF 122 ST ANDRE, WORTHINGTON, OH 43085, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,920 SHARES OF RAX RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: RAXR) THROUGH PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(RAX RESTAURANTS INC. TEL: 614 486-3669)

-30- 423
#90295c0161 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLAN J KAPLAN OF 3839 DIVISIDERO #306, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94123, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 408 441-2200)

-30- 454
#90295c0162 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - VICTOR A DEROSE OF 605 BISON RIDGE, 0, NAPPANEE, IN 46550, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,501 SHARES OF DE ROSE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DRI) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(DE ROSE INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 817 237-7205)

-30- 412
#90295c0163 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD I JACOBY OF 19583 CHARLESTON CIRCLE N, FT MYERS, FL 33917, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF DIAGNOSTIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: DSIC) THROUGH C & S SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(DIAGNOSTIC SCIENCES INC. TEL: 516 385-2340)

-30- 430
#90295c0164 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JULES LEE WURZEL OF 3100 S MONROE ST, DENVER, CO 80210, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF FOLIAGE PLUS INC. (TICKER: FOLI) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(FOLIAGE PLUS INC. TEL: 612 445-8600)

-30- 407
#90295c0166 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL SHANAHAN OF 7 CORWEN RD, WEST PEABODY, MA 01960, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 425
#90295c0167 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID G KLING OF 610 SOMERSET DR, SLINGERLANDS, NY 12159, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY.

THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 03, 1990.

(MEGA GROUP INC. TEL: 518 439-9950)

-30- 401
#90295c0168 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MYLES F WITTENSTEIN OF 87 CHERRY LANE, SYOSSET, NY 11791, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF WILDEY INC. (TICKER: WILD) THROUGH ROSENKRANTZ LYON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(WILDEY INC. TEL: 203 355-9000)

-30- 394
#90295c0169 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM G HUSSEY OF 3354 THORNWOOD RD, 0, SARASOTA, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF RYKA INC. (TICKER: RYKA) THROUGH R B MARICH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(RYKA INC. TEL: 617 331-8800)

-30- 383
#90295c0170 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIM M KIPPES OF 9553 EAST DUNCAN, MESA, AZ 85207, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF CIRCUIT RESEARCH LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: CRLI) THROUGH WEDBUSH MORGAN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(CIRCUIT RESEARCH LABORATORY INC. TEL: 602 438-0888)

-30- 447
#90295c0171 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID A SCHEINMAN OF 1855 ROXFORD DR, LAS VEGAS, NV 89119, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,200 SHARES OF UNITED GAMING INC. (TICKER: UGAM) THROUGH BLACK & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 09, 1990.

(UNITED GAMING INC. TEL: 702 732-2672)

-30- 408
#90295c0172 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID G KLING OF 610 SOMERSET DR, SLINGERLANDS, NY 12159, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(MEGA GROUP INC. TEL: 518 439-9950)

-30- 401
#90295c0174 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER A LEININGER OF 103 TOMAHAWK TRAIL, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78230, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN BIODYNAMICS INC. (TICKER: BDYN) THROUGH KNIBBE FNCL GRP INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 11, 1990.

(AMERICAN BIODYNAMICS INC. TEL: 604 683-0726)

-30- 446
#90295c0175 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALFRED V GRECO OF 666 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10103, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,874 SHARES OF AN-CON GENETICS INC. (TICKER: ANCN) THROUGH INVESTORS ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(AN-CON GENETICS INC. TEL: 516 694-8470)

-30- 410
#90295c0176 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID G KLING OF 610 SOMERSET DR, SLINGERLANDS, NY 12159, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(MEGA GROUP INC. TEL: 518 439-9950)

-30- 401
#90295c0177 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES A ROMBERG OF E 15 HIGH DRIVE, SPOKANE, WA 99203, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MONTANA PRECISION MINING LTD. (TICKER: MPML) THROUGH NATIONAL SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(MONTANA PRECISION MINING LTD. TEL: 406 295-3116)

-30- 445
#90295c0178 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM H CAMPBELL OF 1131 DYRE ST, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19124, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF NATIONAL MEDIA CORP. (TICKER: NM) THROUGH BUTCHER & SINGER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(NATIONAL MEDIA CORP. TEL: 215 482-9800)

-30- 416
#90295c0179 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL H EPSTEIN OF 5200 GREAT AMERICA PKY, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,334 SHARES OF MASSTOR SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: MSCO) THROUGH ALLEN & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(MASSTOR SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 408 988-1008)

-30- 427
#90295c0180 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LESLEY DECKER OF 231 BAIRD COURT, WOODBURY, NY 11797, HAS FILED TO SELL 231,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 415
#90295c0182 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L S SMITH OF 23161 VENTURE BLVD #202, WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91364, HAS FILED TO SELL 55,019 SHARES OF THE AMERICAN PACIFIC MINT INC. (TICKER: MINT)

THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(THE AMERICAN PACIFIC MINT INC. TEL: 818 884-3833)

-30- 456
#90295c0183 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID G KLING OF 610 SOMERSET DR, SLINGERLANDS, NY 12159, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(MEGA GROUP INC. TEL: 518 439-9950)

-30- 401
#90295c0184 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK H PAULSEN OF P O BOX 12, SEYMOUR, WI 54165, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,150 SHARES OF BRUSH CREEK MNG & DEV CO. (TICKER: BCMD) THROUGH J ALEXANDER SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 15, 1990.

(BRUSH CREEK MNG & DEV CO. TEL: 916 477-5961)

-30- 430
#90295c0185 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD M FRANK OF 4607 VALLEY RIDGE, 0, DALLAS, TX 75220, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 17, 1990.

(SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC TEL: 214 659-0889)

-30- 421
#90295c0186 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L LOWE OF 400 FIRST CITY BANK TWR, 201 MAIN ST, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,000 SHARES OF WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: WEXC) THROUGH JOHNSON & RICE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 17, 1990.

(WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. TEL: 817 335-4701)

-30- 451
#90295c0187 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 23, 1990, JAMES M LARGE, CHAIRMAN OF ANCHOR SAVINGS BANK. (TICKER: ABKR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90295c0188 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ROBERT D HARVEY, TTEE OF AMERICAN CAPITAL INCOME TRUST (TICKER: ACD), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90295c0190 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, TOM R GARRISON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARKANSAS FREIGHTWAYS CORP. (TICKER: AFWY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 349
#90295c0191 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROBERT DRAKE JUDSON, DIR. OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90295c0192 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, BOYD E CHRISTENBERRY, DIR. OF ALFA CORP. (TICKER: ALFA), BOUGHT 650 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 82,000.

-30- 302
#90295c0193 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PAUL S BRENTLINGER, DIR. OF ALLEGHENY LUDLUM CORP. (TICKER: ALS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 324
#90295c0194 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MARTIN LERNER, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 258,500.

-30- 321
#90295c0195 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JOHN A CRICHTON, DIR. OF ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. (TICKER: ARSD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 164,546.

-30- 342
#90295c0196 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, GARRY TRAMIEL, VP OF ATARI CORP. (TICKER: ATC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,331,094.

-30- 291
#90295c0198 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 24, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 2,250 SHARES AT $4.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0199 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 26, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 2,750 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 272

#90295c0200 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0201 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0202 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0203 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0204 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0206 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272

#90295c0207 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0208 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0209 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,500.

-30- 310
#90295c0210 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, RICHARD W FETZNER, DIR. OF BENTON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: BNTN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 317
#90295c0211 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RICHARD W FETZNER, DIR. OF BENTON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: BNTN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90295c0212 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RICHARD W FETZNER, DIR. OF BENTON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: BNTN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $14.99 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 314
#90295c0214 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOEL F SMITH, OFFICER OF BTR REALTY INC. (TICKER: BTRI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90295c0215 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:55 that trade in Unitog Co.(NASDAQ: UTOG) has been resumed. The first sale was 7; down 3 1/2 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 332
#90295c0216 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOEL F SMITH, OFFICER OF BTR REALTY INC. (TICKER: BTRI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 107,929.

-30- 307
#90295c0217 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90295c0218 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90295c0219 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,565.

-30- 316
#90295c0220 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MORTON A COHN, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90295c0222 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MORTON A COHN, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.91 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 261,398.

-30- 297
#90295c0223 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JEFFERSON J DAVIS, DIR. OF CASCADE CORP. (TICKER: CASC), BOUGHT 952 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 178,000.

-30- 299
#90295c0224 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, GEORGE M SCALISE, DIR. OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 327
#90295c0225 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0226 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0227 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0228 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0230 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0231 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,000.

-30- 317
#90295c0232 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DELBERT W MULLENS, DIR. OF MARGATE VENTURES INC. (TICKER: CGUL), BOUGHT 83,800 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,800.

-30- 325
#90295c0233 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JAMES G VETTER, DIR. OF PILGRIMS PRIDE CORP. (TICKER:

CHX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,350.

-30- 308
#90295c0234 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JACKSON H RANDOLPH, DIR. OF CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CINF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $73.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,210.

-30- 334
#90295c0235 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 29, 1990, EARL KRAMER, PRES. OF CONCORD FABRICS INC. (TICKER: CIS), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,200.

-30- 312
#90295c0236 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, LARRY M ADAMS, SHAREHOLDER OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 328
#90295c0238 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ROBERT A LAMP, OFFICER OF CONSUL RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: CNSL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 324
#90295c0239 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, THOMAS H CORSON, CHAIRMAN OF COACHMEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: COA), BOUGHT 18,400 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286

#90295c0240 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, THOMAS H CORSON, CHAIRMAN OF COACHMEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: COA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90295c0241 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, THOMAS H CORSON, CHAIRMAN OF COACHMEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: COA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90295c0242 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, THOMAS H CORSON, CHAIRMAN OF COACHMEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: COA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 382,170.

-30- 319
#90295c0243 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90295c0244 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,558,462.

-30- 315
#90295c0246 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1988, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90295c0247 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1988, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90295c0248 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 19, 1988, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90295c0249 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 17, 1989, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90295c0250 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1989, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90295c0251 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1989, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90295c0252 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1989, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), SOLD 425 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90295c0254 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), SOLD 785 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,510.

-30- 331
#90295c0255 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 24, 1990, PETER S STRAWBRIDGE, DIR. OF CORESTATES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSFN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 331
#90295c0256 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, TONY R DAVIS, SHAREHOLDER OF CENTURY TELEPHONE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CTL), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $31.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90295c0257 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, TONY R DAVIS, SHAREHOLDER OF CENTURY TELEPHONE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CTL), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $31.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,060.

-30- 347
#90295c0258 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, BERNARD P GALLAGHER, PRES. OF CENTURY COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: CTY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90295c0259 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BERNARD P GALLAGHER, PRES. OF CENTURY COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: CTY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,600.

-30- 336
#90295c0260 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JULIUS P PERR, VP OF CUMMINS ENGINE CO. (TICKER: CUM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,070.

-30- 300
#90295c0262 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ANDREW DALOIA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF DAWN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: DAWN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,542,000.

-30- 361
#90295c0263 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, GERALD F EGAN, OFFICER OF DUTY FREE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DFII), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 321
#90295c0264 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOHN H PINKERTON, CHAIRMAN OF DALLAS OIL & MINERALS INC. (TICKER: DOIL), SOLD 209 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c0265 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, CHAD L STEPHENS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DALLAS OIL & MINERALS INC. (TICKER: DOIL), SOLD 209 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 313

#90295c0266 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, HURLEY C TURNER JR, CHAIRMAN OF DOLLAR GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: DOLR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 339,683.

-30- 329
#90295c0267 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES S TURNER, DIR. OF DOLLAR GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: DOLR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,286,997.

-30- 317
#90295c0268 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, EDWARD W ROSE III, CHAIRMAN OF DREW INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DREW), BOUGHT 144,748 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0270 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, EDWARD W ROSE III, CHAIRMAN OF DREW INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DREW), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,664.

-30- 319
#90295c0271 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOSEPH J MONACO JR, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), SOLD 8,500 SHARES AT $9.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90295c0272 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOSEPH J MONACO JR, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90295c0273 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOSEPH J MONACO JR, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), SOLD 7,800 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90295c0274 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOSEPH J MONACO JR, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,100.

-30- 309
#90295c0275 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 413,750.

-30- 325
#90295c0276 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, WILLIAM R SMART, CHAIRMAN OF ELECTRONIC ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: EA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 335
#90295c0278 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HAROLD K WORK, VP OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 248
#90295c0279 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, HAROLD K WORK, VP OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,082.

-30- 284
#90295c0280 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90295c0281 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90295c0282 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90295c0283 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROGER A MOSER, VP OF ETHYL CORP. (TICKER: EY), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,402.

-30- 288
#90295c0284 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HURLEY C TURNER JR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 121 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,457.

-30- 325
#90295c0286 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOSEPH LAROCK, DIR. OF FIRST EASTERN CORP. (TICKER: FEBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,308.

-30- 321
#90295c0287 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90295c0288 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90295c0289 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,621,884.

-30- 355
#90295c0290 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, HARRY J SEIGLE, DIR. OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 1,896 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90295c0291 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PAUL S BRENTLINGER, DIR. OF FERRO CORP. (TICKER: FOE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 300
#90295c0292 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CHARLES L DALEY, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90295c0294 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOSEPH R GRIGGS III, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 327
#90295c0295 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, EDWARD P HENRY II, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,931.

-30- 336
#90295c0296 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, CHARLES J NUGENT, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 236 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 661.

-30- 328
#90295c0297 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, PAUL J OEFFLER, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 324
#90295c0298 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, PAUL J OEFFLER, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 327
#90295c0299 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0300 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0302 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $26.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90295c0303 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 151 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0304 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90295c0305 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0306 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90295c0307 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $25.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0308 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90295c0310 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 3,162 SHARES AT $25.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90295c0311 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 923 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,156,145.

-30- 328
#90295c0312 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, BERNARD L NIELSEN, PRES. OF GEHL CO. (TICKER: GEHL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90295c0313 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, PAUL E YOUNG, VP OF GEHL CO. (TICKER: GEHL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 278
#90295c0314 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ARNOLD M DAVIDSON, OFFICER OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 328
#90295c0315 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, THOMAS R SMITH, VP OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 308.

-30- 311
#90295c0316 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, THOMAS J KELLEY, DIR. OF GOAL SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GOAL), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,700.

-30- 327
#90295c0318 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WINTHROP C NEILSON, DIR. OF GUARDSMAN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: GPI), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,299.

-30- 317
#90295c0319 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ANTHONY J PRIESOL, VP OF GUNDLE ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: GUN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,350.

-30- 337
#90295c0320 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, T LOUIS AUSTIN JR, SHAREHOLDER OF HALLIBURTON CO. (TICKER: HAL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $50.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 323
#90295c0321 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DAVID A SCHOENHOLZ, VP OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 321
#90295c0322 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ORESTES LUGO, VP OF HOME INTENSIVE CARE INC. (TICKER: HICI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 314
#90295c0323 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, CHRISTOPHER A BARTLETT, DIR. OF HUFFY CORP. (TICKER: HUF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 299
#90295c0324 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JOHN C EATON, VP OF HAWKINS CHEMICAL INC. (TICKER: HWKN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,429.

-30- 307
#90295c0326 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, LAWRENCE G OLSON, DIR. OF INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: IMTX), SOLD 17,600 SHARES AT $1.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90295c0327 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LAWRENCE G OLSON, DIR. OF INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: IMTX), SOLD 17,400 SHARES AT $1.43 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90295c0328 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, LAWRENCE G OLSON, DIR. OF INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: IMTX), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90295c0329 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, LAWRENCE G OLSON, DIR. OF INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: IMTX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 641,600.

-30- 347
#90295c0330 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, RICHARD A KIRSTEIN, DIR. OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90295c0331 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, FRED T JONES JR, PRES. OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 4,025 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,579,785.

-30- 334
#90295c0332 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, FRED T JONES JR, PRES. OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,575,760.

-30- 334
#90295c0334 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, G WILLIAM FLEMING, DIR. OF LITTLEFIELD, ADAMS & CO. (TICKER: LFA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90295c0335 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, G WILLIAM FLEMING, DIR. OF LITTLEFIELD, ADAMS & CO. (TICKER: LFA), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 328
#90295c0336 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 116,370 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90295c0337 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 1,466 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90295c0338 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, GEORGE BUGLIARELLO, DIR. OF LONG ISLAND LIGHTING CO. (TICKER: LIL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 326
#90295c0339 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, MONTROSE L EMERSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0340 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, MONTROSE L EMERSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0342 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, MONTROSE L EMERSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0343 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MONTROSE L EMERSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0344 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, MONTROSE L EMERSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0345 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, MONTROSE L EMERSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 324
#90295c0346 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1988, ARTHUR J BENVENUTO, CHAIRMAN OF MARROW-TECH INC. (TICKER: MARO), BOUGHT 550,000 SHARES AT $1.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 550,000.

-30- 329
#90295c0347 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CHRISTOPHER L WHITE, PRES. OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90295c0348 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CHRISTOPHER L WHITE, PRES. OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 486,255.

-30- 339
#90295c0350 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MARK F EMERSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MAX & ERMA'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: MAXE), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 151,751.

-30- 356
#90295c0351 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, AUBREY S PRICE, DIR. OF MC SHIPPING INC. (TICKER: MCX), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 300
#90295c0352 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WARREN H HABER, CHAIRMAN OF THE MEADOW GROUP INC. (TICKER: MDOW), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 170,000.

-30- 325
#90295c0353 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, IAN M ROLLAND, DIR. OF NIPSCO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 909.

-30- 300
#90295c0354 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, BENJAMIN ZINKIN, DIR. OF NEW LINE CINEMA CORP. (TICKER: NLN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 312
#90295c0355 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES R SPICOLA, DIR. OF NORWEST CORP. (TICKER: NOB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90295c0356 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES R SPICOLA, DIR. OF NORWEST CORP. (TICKER: NOB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 262

#90295c0358 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0359 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0360 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0361 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0362 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0363 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 243,922.

-30- 344
#90295c0364 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, JESSE E HENDRICKS, DIR. OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,325.

-30- 321
#90295c0366 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, AIDO C ZUCARO, PRES. OF OLD REPUBLIC INTL CORP. (TICKER: ORI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90295c0367 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, AIDO C ZUCARO, PRES. OF OLD REPUBLIC INTL CORP. (TICKER: ORI), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $23.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,129.

-30- 318
#90295c0368 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0369 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0370 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 45,900.

-30- 325
#90295c0371 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JAMES D SHIFFER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 719 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90295c0372 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, L JEAN SHANNON, VP OF THE PRICE CO. (TICKER: PCLB), BOUGHT 160 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160.

-30- 289
#90295c0374 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, MERLE E GILLIAND, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,996.

-30- 318
#90295c0375 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, VINCENT A SARNI, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $22.49 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 305
#90295c0376 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: PNY), BOUGHT 13,500 SHARES AT $25.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,365,400.

-30- 363
#90295c0377 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JOSEPH C PILAND, DIR. OF PREMIER FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PREM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 855.

-30- 323
#90295c0378 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, RICHARD T HAZZARD, DIR. OF PROGRESSIVE BANK INC. (TICKER: PSBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,208.

-30- 322
#90295c0379 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, FRANK J ZUGEL, VP OF PACIFIC SCIENTIFIC CO. (TICKER: PSX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90295c0380 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM COMPONOVO, OFFICER OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 310
#90295c0382 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 16, 1990, EDWARD J GAFFEY, OFFICER OF REGIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: REGB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 325
#90295c0383 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ROBERT J GLICKMAN, PRES. OF RIVER FOREST BANCORP. (TICKER: RFBC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 925,490.

-30- 333
#90295c0384 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JAMES W ROBINSON, DIR. OF ROBINSON NUGENT INC. (TICKER: RNIC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 514,713.

-30- 324
#90295c0385 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ROSS D SIRAGUSA JR, DIR. OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), SOLD 1,571 SHARES AT $22.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90295c0386 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROSS D SIRAGUSA JR, DIR. OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 97,972.

-30- 330
#90295c0387 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, RUDY E SCHUPP, CHAIRMAN OF REPUBLIC SAVINGS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RSFC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,500.

-30- 343
#90295c0388 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JOSEPH J MCDOWELL, CHAIRMAN OF SOLITEC INC. (TICKER: SOLI), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $1.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 308
#90295c0390 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM B BENACK, DIR. OF STATE BANCORP INC.(N.Y.) (TICKER: STBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,788.

-30- 336
#90295c0391 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM B BENACK, DIR. OF STATE BANCORP INC.(N.Y.) (TICKER: STBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90295c0392 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLIAM B BENACK, DIR. OF STATE BANCORP INC.(N.Y.) (TICKER: STBC), BOUGHT 552 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90295c0393 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLIAM B BENACK, DIR. OF STATE BANCORP INC.(N.Y.) (TICKER: STBC), BOUGHT 552 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90295c0394 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JEFFRY F KOHLHOFF, OFFICER OF STOKELY USA INC. (TICKER: STKY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90295c0395 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JEFFRY F KOHLHOFF, OFFICER OF STOKELY USA INC. (TICKER: STKY), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 311
#90295c0396 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, THOMAS W MOUNT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STOKELY USA INC. (TICKER: STKY), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,800.

-30- 348
#90295c0398 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MORTY ROSENKRANZ, VP OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,143.

-30- 317
#90295c0399 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90295c0400 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $34.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90295c0401 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $34.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90295c0402 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323

#90295c0403 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90295c0404 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90295c0406 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90295c0407 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90295c0408 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90295c0409 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 328

#90295c0410 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90295c0411 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $35.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90295c0412 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90295c0414 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 2,424 SHARES AT $35.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,932,466.

-30- 369
#90295c0415 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JOHN H RAUSCHER JR, DIR. OF SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC SERVICE CO. (TICKER: SWEL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $39.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,675.

-30- 342
#90295c0416 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM F RILEY III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SWIFT TRANSPORTATION INC. (TICKER: SWFT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 350
#90295c0417 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JOSE A MARROQUIN, OFFICER OF SUAVE SHOE CORP. (TICKER: SWV), SOLD 2,209 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90295c0418 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JOEL NEWMAN, DIR. OF SUAVE SHOE CORP. (TICKER: SWV), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 297
#90295c0419 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JOEL NEWMAN, DIR. OF SUAVE SHOE CORP. (TICKER: SWV), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 297
#90295c0420 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOEL DIAMOND, SHAREHOLDER OF THREE D DEPARTMENTS INC. (TICKER: TDDB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 141,632.

-30- 337
#90295c0422 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0423 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES

INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0424 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0425 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0426 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $17.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0427 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 2,717 SHARES AT $17.84 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0428 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.84 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90295c0430 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES

INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90295c0431 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 9,594 SHARES AT $17.96 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,653,094.

-30- 348
#90295c0432 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JACK TSENG, PRES. OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0433 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JACK TSENG, PRES. OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90295c0434 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JACK TSENG, PRES. OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0435 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JACK TSENG, PRES. OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90295c0436 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JACK TSENG, PRES. OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG), SOLD 28,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,851,786.

-30- 322
#90295c0438 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GARY W JOHNSON, OFFICER OF TYSON FOODS INC. (TICKER: TYSN), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,630.

-30- 315
#90295c0439 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CHARLES H TENNEY II, CHAIRMAN OF UNITIL CORP. (TICKER: UTL), BOUGHT 157 SHARES AT $33.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,143.

-30- 309
#90295c0440 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, BARRY RESSLER, PRES. OF UNIVERSAL VOLTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: UVL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,470.

-30- 323
#90295c0441 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, LLOYD GREIF, DIR. OF VIDMARK INC. (TICKER: VDMK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 292
#90295c0442 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RONALD H HOENIG, DIR. OF VIATECH INC. (TICKER: VTK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90295c0443 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RONALD H HOENIG, DIR. OF VIATECH INC. (TICKER: VTK), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90295c0444 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, RONALD H HOENIG, DIR. OF VIATECH INC. (TICKER: VTK), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 295
#90295c0446 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,186.

-30- 324
#90295c0447 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, KENNETH I COCO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WATERHOUSE INVESTOR SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WHOO), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 349
#90295c0448 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, KENNETH I COCO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WATERHOUSE INVESTOR SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WHOO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $3.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,524.

-30- 353
#90295c0449 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, LAWRENCE M WATERHOUSE JR, CHAIRMAN OF WATERHOUSE

INVESTOR SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WHOO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 466,700.

-30- 353
#90295c0450 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, LAWRENCE M WATERHOUSE JR, CHAIRMAN OF WATERHOUSE INVESTOR SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WHOO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 329,543.

-30- 355
#90295c0451 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, MILTON E NESHEK, CHAIRMAN OF WPL HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: WPH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,886.

-30- 317
#90295c0452 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, BRIAN E MYERSCOUGH, OFFICER OF X-RITE INC. (TICKER: XRIT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 314
#90295c0454 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DAVID M PETROFF, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF ZEMEX CORP. (TICKER: ZMX), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 329
#90295c0455 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), BOUGHT 404 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90295c0456 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), BOUGHT 18,583 SHARES AT $27.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90295c0457 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), SOLD 2,101 SHARES AT $30.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90295c0458 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ALLIED SIGNAL CORP SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), SOLD 1,721 SHARES AT $30.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90295c0459 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, LYLE D JOYCE, DIR. OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 179,000.

-30- 298
#90295c0460 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90295c0462 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90295c0463 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90295c0464 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 133,645.

-30- 295
#90295c0465 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DAVID S LEWIS, DIR. OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90295c0466 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DAVID S LEWIS, DIR. OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,200.

-30- 292
#90295c0467 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, DAVID A DEUTSCH, DIR. OF BIOMECHANICS CORP OF AMERICA (TICKER: BCAM), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 333
#90295c0468 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, WILL K WEINSTEIN, DIR. OF BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: BEV), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,500.

-30- 322
#90295c0470 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, KENNETH A DEGHETTO, DIR. OF BRANDON SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: BRDN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 740.

-30- 317
#90295c0471 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, WILLIAM E BUSH, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 330,100.

-30- 313
#90295c0472 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, RICHARD A SHANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 170,500.

-30- 311
#90295c0473 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, RICHARD A SHANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,700.

-30- 314
#90295c0474 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 05, 1990, ALBERT ZESIGER, SHAREHOLDER OF CHILE FUND INC. (TICKER: CH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 331

#90295c0475 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DAVID M BOARDMAN, DIR. OF CHITTENDEN CORP. (TICKER: CNDN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,034.

-30- 313
#90295c0476 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, STEVEN A WEBSTER, DIR. OF CROWN RESOURCE CORP. (TICKER: CRRS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,157.

-30- 320
#90295c0478 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, SOLOMON S STEINER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90295c0479 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, SOLOMON S STEINER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 334
#90295c0480 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, SOLOMON S STEINER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI), SOLD 23,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 647,322.

-30- 378
#90295c0481 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, SOLOMON S STEINER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90295c0482 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, SOLOMON S STEINER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90295c0483 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, TONY R DAVIS, SHAREHOLDER OF CENTURY TELEPHONE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CTL), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,267.

-30- 351
#90295c0484 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90295c0486 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, EUGENE F MILLER, BEN. OWNER OF DELTA COMPUTEC INC. (TICKER: DCIS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $0.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90295c0487 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, EUGENE F MILLER, BEN. OWNER OF DELTA COMPUTEC INC. (TICKER: DCIS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90295c0488 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, EUGENE F MILLER, BEN. OWNER OF DELTA COMPUTEC INC.

(TICKER: DCIS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 233,000.

-30- 328
#90295c0489 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, EUGENE F MILLER, BEN. OWNER OF DELTA COMPUTEC INC. (TICKER: DCIS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90295c0490 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, BURT SQUIRES, VP OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $81.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0491 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, BURT SQUIRES, VP OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $81.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0492 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, BURT SQUIRES, VP OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $81.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,058.

-30- 323
#90295c0494 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, JASPER C DAVIS, CHAIRMAN OF DAVIS WATER & WASTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DWW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90295c0495 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JASPER C DAVIS, CHAIRMAN OF DAVIS WATER & WASTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DWW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 425,028.

-30- 342
#90295c0496 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, RICHARD A LEVASSEUR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ELSINORE CORP. (TICKER: ELS), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $0.27 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,000.

-30- 337
#90295c0497 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, EARNEST W DEAVENPORT JR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 119 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,738.

-30- 333
#90295c0498 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, FRANKLIN C CRESSMAN JR, PRES. OF FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES CO. (TICKER: FPU), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,040.

-30- 341
#90295c0499 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, FRANK T MCCOY JR, DIR. OF FIRST SECURITY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FSFC), BOUGHT 1,265 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,645.

-30- 337
#90295c0500 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, FRANK T MCCOY JR, DIR. OF FIRST SECURITY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FSFC), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 18,600.

-30- 335
#90295c0502 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, GILBERT R GIORDANO, DIR. OF FIRST VIRGINIA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FVB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90295c0503 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, GILBERT R GIORDANO, DIR. OF FIRST VIRGINIA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FVB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90295c0504 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, GILBERT R GIORDANO, DIR. OF FIRST VIRGINIA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FVB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 330
#90295c0505 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GILBERT R GIORDANO, DIR. OF FIRST VIRGINIA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FVB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 332
#90295c0506 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JAMES A RUTHERFORD, CHAIRMAN OF GOAL SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GOAL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90295c0507 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JAMES A RUTHERFORD, CHAIRMAN OF GOAL SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GOAL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,453,280.

-30- 352
#90295c0508 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, WILLIAM M SPENCER III, DIR. OF GENUINE PARTS CO. (TICKER: GPC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 163,270.

-30- 321
#90295c0510 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, WILFORD B FULTZ, DIR. OF ICO INC. (TICKER: ICOC), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,000.

-30- 291
#90295c0511 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, WILFORD B FULTZ, DIR. OF ICO INC. (TICKER: ICOC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90295c0512 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WILFORD B FULTZ, DIR. OF ICO INC. (TICKER: ICOC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 78,000.

-30- 290
#90295c0513 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, BRIAN J ROBERTS, VP OF INTERNATIONAL TOTALIZATOR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ITSI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

-30- 337
#90295c0514 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, RICHARD KRONHEIM, DIR. OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 320
#90295c0515 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, G CORSON ELLIS JR, CHAIRMAN OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90295c0516 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, G CORSON ELLIS JR, CHAIRMAN OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90295c0518 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, RICHARD K LAIRD, PRES. OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 245,500.

-30- 300
#90295c0519 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT E AIKMAN, DIR. OF LOMAK PETROLEUM INC. (TICKER: LOMK), BOUGHT 250,000 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,000.

-30- 323
#90295c0520 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MILWAUKEE MUTUAL INS CO, BEN. OWNER OF MILWAUKEE INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: MILW), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,010,000.

-30- 376
#90295c0521 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90295c0522 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90295c0523 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90295c0524 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 302,992.

-30- 309
#90295c0526 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, EXCHANGE INSURANCE CO, BEN. OWNER OF NIAGARA EXCHANGE CORP. (TICKER: NIEX), BOUGHT 3,420 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,420.

-30- 348
#90295c0527 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DONALD M GLEKLEN, DIR. OF NUTRAMAX PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NMPC), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $0.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,000.

-30- 318
#90295c0528 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, RONALD J BRICKNER, DIR. OF NATIONAL SANITARY SUPPLY CO. (TICKER: NSSX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90295c0529 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, RONALD J BRICKNER, DIR. OF NATIONAL SANITARY SUPPLY CO. (TICKER: NSSX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 333
#90295c0530 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, JOHN E MCDONALD, CHAIRMAN OF PDA ENGINEERING (TICKER: PDAS), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,113.

-30- 323
#90295c0531 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, NORMAN L SHARFMAN, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 342
#90295c0532 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, CONSTANTINE MACRICOSTAS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PHOTRONIC INC. (TICKER: PLAB), SOLD 41,466 SHARES AT $9.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 286,534.

-30- 368
#90295c0534 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DUKE A ROHLIFFS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PLAYERS INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: PLAY), SOLD 8,500 SHARES AT $3.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 131,500.

-30- 347
#90295c0535 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, KEVIN MACLEOD, DIR. OF PORTSMOUTH BANK SHARES INC. (TICKER: POBS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 322
#90295c0536 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 14, 1989, JOHN R DUNCAN, DIR. OF PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PSIX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90295c0537 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 15, 1989, JOHN R DUNCAN, DIR. OF PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PSIX), SOLD 11,500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90295c0538 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 16, 1989, JOHN R DUNCAN, DIR. OF PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PSIX), SOLD 16,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90295c0539 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WALLACE W BOOTH, DIR. OF ROHR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RHR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 303
#90295c0540 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ELIZABETH G HELM, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90295c0542 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 20,500 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c0543 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c0544 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c0545 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,331,780.

-30- 337
#90295c0546 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DONALD C HISCOTT, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90295c0547 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DONALD C HISCOTT, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,176.

-30- 326
#90295c0548 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, DALE A JOHNSON, PRES. OF SPX CORP. (TICKER: SPW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,344.

-30- 293
#90295c0550 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ROBERT M MURPHY, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST UNITED BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: UNTD), BOUGHT 1,550 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90295c0551 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ROBERT M MURPHY, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST UNITED BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: UNTD), BOUGHT 2,025 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,275.

-30- 349
#90295c0552 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, WESTVACO CORP SVGS&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WESTVACO CORP. (TICKER: W), BOUGHT 23,300 SHARES AT $22.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,284,701.

-30- 343
#90295c0553 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, THOMAS C JACOBS, CHAIRMAN OF WISCONSIN SOUTHERN GAS CO. (TICKER: WISC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c0554 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, THOMAS C JACOBS, CHAIRMAN OF WISCONSIN SOUTHERN GAS CO. (TICKER: WISC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,307.

-30- 335
#90295c0555 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, RAYMOND F OBRIEN, DIR. OF WATKINS-JOHNSON CO. (TICKER: WJ), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 310
#90295c0556 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN GALLAGHER OF 1625 SANTA ANITA DR, LAS VEGAS, NV 89119, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF ATI MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: ATI) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(ATI MEDICAL INC. TEL: 818 502-9965)

-30- 411
#90295c0558 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE BRISCOE OF 647 ATLANTIC HILLS AVE, EAGAN, MN 55123, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF GRIST MILL CO. (TICKER: GRST) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(GRIST MILL CO. TEL: 612 469-4981)

-30- 401
#90295c0559 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE A ZAZANIS OF 355 MADISON AVE, MORRISTOWN, NJ 07960, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF NMR OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: NMRR) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(NMR OF AMERICA INC. TEL: 201 539-1082)

-30- 415
#90295c0560 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID N LEVINE OF 12 OVERBROOK DR, MONSEY, NY 10952, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 431
#90295c0561 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN F SONDEREGGER OF 402 EAST MAUDE, ARLINGTON HTS, IL 60004, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,810 SHARES OF IMCERA GROUP INC. (TICKER: IMA) THROUGH DREHER & ASSOCIATES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(IMCERA GROUP INC. TEL: 708 205-2195)

-30- 419
#90295c0562 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES R NEWSON OF 4798 PRETWICK CROSSING, WESTLAKE, OH 44145, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,550 SHARES OF RISER FOODS INC. (TICKER: RSR) THROUGH RANDALL S KELLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(RISER FOODS INC. TEL: 216 292-7000)

-30- 409
#90295c0563 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAN E KLINGEN OF 202 EL MOLINO DR, CLAYTON, CA 94517, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN CONFECTIONARY CORP. (TICKER: CNDY) THROUGH FIRST INSTITUTIONAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(AMERICAN CONFECTIONARY CORP. TEL: 714 590-9777)

-30- 441
#90295c0564 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HUGH BENNETT OF 3725 TRUDY LANE, SAN DIEGO, CA 92106, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,960 SHARES OF LORAL CORP. (TICKER: LOR) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(LORAL CORP. TEL: 212 697-1105)

-30- 386
#90295c0566 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD WRIGHT OF 441 RAMONA AVE, SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH TOLUCA PACIFIC SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 428
#90295c0567 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOE TATE OF 6100 S YALE, SUITE 400, TULSA, OK 74136, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF ENTERRA CORP. (TICKER: EN) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(ENTERRA CORP. TEL: 713 864-8700)

-30- 388
#90295c0568 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G K SCOTT & CO INC OF ONE FAIRCHILD COURT, PLAINVIEW, NY 11803, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,668 SHARES OF LOGITEK INC (TICKER: LGTK) THROUGH G K SCOTT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 17, 1990.

(LOGITEK INC TEL: 516 467-4200)

-30- 396
#90295c0569 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK G ROSS OF 300 EAST 74TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH M RIMSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 17, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 417
#90295c0570 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A FISHMAN OF 200 N ROCKINGHAM AVE, 0, LOS ANGELES, CA 90049, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 17, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 426
#90295c0571 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KELLY L BIDDLE OF 901 SUNSET AVE #27, ALICE, TX 78332, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX) THROUGH PETERS & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 17, 1990.

(URANIUM RESOURCES INC. TEL: 214 934-7777)

-30- 420
#90295c0572 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SY TRADING CORP OF 717 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 77,750 SHARES OF BULL RUN GOLD MINES LTD. (TICKER: BULL) THROUGH ARBITRAGE SECS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 17, 1990.

(BULL RUN GOLD MINES LTD. TEL: 303 620-9300)

-30- 426

#90295c0574 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES J TANZELLA OF 7456 FORMAN AVE, FOUNTAIN, CO 80817, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,001 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH R B MARICH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 18, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 381
#90295c0575 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAROLD P ROSENFIELD JR OF 10119 EAST PEAKVIEW AVE, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES L (TICKER: CPRK) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 17 1990.

(CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES L TEL: 303 721-7200)

-30- 479
#90295c0576 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED J ATCHITY JR OF 4751 WILSHIRE BLVD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90010, HAS FILED TO SELL 205,000 SHARES OF STARS TO GO INC. (TICKER: STAR) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 18, 1990.

(STARS TO GO INC. TEL: 213 930-0310)

-30- 418
#90295c0577 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 18, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 455
#90295c0578 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD M FRANK OF 4607 VALLEY RIDGE, 0, DALLAS, TX 75220, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,500 SHARES OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 18, 1990.

(SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC TEL: 214 659-0889)

-30- 421
#90295c0579 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRAD R TUKEY OF 7900 ALDERBRIDGE WAY, STE 200, RICHMOND B C CANADA, X0 00000, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF HQ OFFICE INTL INC. (TICKER: HQOI) THROUGH GLOBAL AMERICA. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 18, 1990.

(HQ OFFICE INTL INC. TEL: 604 273-3133)

-30- 432
#90295c0580 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 455
#90295c0582 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ROBERT D HARVEY, TTEE OF AMERICAN CAPITAL INCOME TRUST (TICKER: ACD), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90295c0583 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DEBORAH A DOVE, OFFICER OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 264

#90295c0584 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, TOM R GARRISON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARKANSAS FREIGHTWAYS CORP. (TICKER: AFWY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 349
#90295c0585 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROBERT DRAKE JUDSON, DIR. OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90295c0586 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, BOYD E CHRISTENBERRY, DIR. OF ALFA CORP. (TICKER: ALFA), BOUGHT 650 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 82,000.

-30- 302
#90295c0587 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PAUL S BRENTLINGER, DIR. OF ALLEGHENY LUDLUM CORP. (TICKER: ALS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 324
#90295c0588 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MARTIN LERNER, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 258,500.

-30- 321
#90295c0590 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, GARRY TRAMIEL, VP OF ATARI CORP. (TICKER: ATC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,331,094.

-30- 291
#90295c0591 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 23, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0592 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 24, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 2,250 SHARES AT $4.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0593 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 26, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 2,750 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0594 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0595 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0596 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0598 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0599 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0600 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0601 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0602 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90295c0603 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JAMES R WEERING, DIR. OF THE BIRTCHER CORP. (TICKER: BIRT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

26,500.

-30- 310
#90295c0604 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, RICHARD W FETZNER, DIR. OF BENTON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: BNTN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 317
#90295c0606 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, RICHARD W FETZNER, DIR. OF BENTON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: BNTN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $14.99 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 314
#90295c0607 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOEL F SMITH, OFFICER OF BTR REALTY INC. (TICKER: BTRI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90295c0608 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOEL F SMITH, OFFICER OF BTR REALTY INC. (TICKER: BTRI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 107,929.

-30- 307
#90295c0609 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90295c0610 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90295c0611 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, LUKE E FICHTHORN III, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,565.

-30- 316
#90295c0612 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, MORTON A COHN, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90295c0614 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MORTON A COHN, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.91 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 261,398.

-30- 297
#90295c0615 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JEFFERSON J DAVIS, DIR. OF CASCADE CORP. (TICKER: CASC), BOUGHT 952 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 178,000.

-30- 299
#90295c0616 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, GEORGE M SCALISE, DIR. OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 327
#90295c0617 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0618 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0619 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0620 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0622 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0623 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,000.

-30- 317
#90295c0624 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DELBERT W MULLENS, DIR. OF MARGATE VENTURES INC. (TICKER: CGUL), BOUGHT 83,800 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,800.

-30- 325
#90295c0625 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JAMES G VETTER, DIR. OF PILGRIMS PRIDE CORP. (TICKER: CHX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,350.

-30- 308
#90295c0626 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JACKSON H RANDOLPH, DIR. OF CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CINF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $73.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,210.

-30- 334
#90295c0627 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 29, 1990, EARL KRAMER, PRES. OF CONCORD FABRICS INC. (TICKER: CIS), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,200.

-30- 312
#90295c0628 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, LARRY M ADAMS, SHAREHOLDER OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 328
#90295c0630 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ROBERT A LAMP, OFFICER OF CONSUL RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: CNSL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 324
#90295c0631 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, THOMAS H CORSON, CHAIRMAN OF COACHMEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: COA), BOUGHT 18,400 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90295c0632 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, THOMAS H CORSON, CHAIRMAN OF COACHMEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: COA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90295c0633 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, THOMAS H CORSON, CHAIRMAN OF COACHMEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: COA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90295c0634 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, THOMAS H CORSON, CHAIRMAN OF COACHMEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: COA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 382,170.

-30- 319
#90295c0635 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90295c0636 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,558,462.

-30- 315
#90295c0638 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1988, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90295c0639 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1988, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90295c0640 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 19, 1988, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90295c0641 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 17, 1989, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90295c0642 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1989, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90295c0643 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1989, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90295c0644 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1989, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), SOLD 425 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90295c0646 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, SCHOOLS CHARLES H, DIR. OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD), SOLD 785 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,510.

-30- 331
#90295c0647 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 24, 1990, PETER S STRAWBRIDGE, DIR. OF CORESTATES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSFN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 331
#90295c0648 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, TONY R DAVIS, SHAREHOLDER OF CENTURY TELEPHONE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CTL), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $31.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90295c0649 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, TONY R DAVIS, SHAREHOLDER OF CENTURY TELEPHONE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CTL), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $31.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,060.

-30- 347
#90295c0650 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, BERNARD P GALLAGHER, PRES. OF CENTURY COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: CTY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90295c0651 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BERNARD P GALLAGHER, PRES. OF CENTURY COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: CTY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,600.

-30- 336
#90295c0652 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JULIUS P PERR, VP OF CUMMINS ENGINE CO. (TICKER: CUM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,070.

-30- 300
#90295c0654 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ANDREW DALOIA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF DAWN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: DAWN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,542,000.

-30- 361
#90295c0655 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, GERALD F EGAN, OFFICER OF DUTY FREE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DFII), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 321
#90295c0656 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOHN H PINKERTON, CHAIRMAN OF DALLAS OIL & MINERALS INC.

(TICKER: DOIL), SOLD 209 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c0657 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, CHAD L STEPHENS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DALLAS OIL & MINERALS INC. (TICKER: DOIL), SOLD 209 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90295c0658 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, HURLEY C TURNER JR, CHAIRMAN OF DOLLAR GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: DOLR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 339,683.

-30- 329
#90295c0659 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES S TURNER, DIR. OF DOLLAR GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: DOLR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,286,997.

-30- 317
#90295c0660 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, EDWARD W ROSE III, CHAIRMAN OF DREW INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DREW), BOUGHT 144,748 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0662 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, EDWARD W ROSE III, CHAIRMAN OF DREW INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DREW), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,664.

-30- 319
#90295c0663 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOSEPH J MONACO JR, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), SOLD 8,500 SHARES AT $9.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90295c0664 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, JOSEPH J MONACO JR, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90295c0665 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, JOSEPH J MONACO JR, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), SOLD 7,800 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90295c0666 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, JOSEPH J MONACO JR, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,100.

-30- 309
#90295c0667 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, FRED KASSNER, SHAREHOLDER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 413,750.

-30- 325
#90295c0668 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, WILLIAM R SMART, CHAIRMAN OF ELECTRONIC ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: EA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 335
#90295c0670 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HAROLD K WORK, VP OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 248
#90295c0671 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, HAROLD K WORK, VP OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,082.

-30- 284
#90295c0672 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90295c0673 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90295c0674 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90295c0675 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROGER A MOSER, VP OF ETHYL CORP. (TICKER: EY), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,402.

-30- 288
#90295c0676 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HURLEY C TURNER JR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 121 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,457.

-30- 325
#90295c0678 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOSEPH LAROCK, DIR. OF FIRST EASTERN CORP. (TICKER: FEBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,308.

-30- 321
#90295c0679 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90295c0680 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90295c0681 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,621,884.

-30- 355
#90295c0682 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, HARRY J SEIGLE, DIR. OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 1,896 SHARES AT $11.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90295c0683 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PAUL S BRENTLINGER, DIR. OF FERRO CORP. (TICKER: FOE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 300
#90295c0684 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CHARLES L DALEY, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90295c0686 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOSEPH R GRIGGS III, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 327
#90295c0687 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, EDWARD P HENRY II, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,931.

-30- 336
#90295c0688 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, CHARLES J NUGENT, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 236 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 661.

-30- 328

#90295c0689 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, PAUL J OEFFLER, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 324
#90295c0690 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, PAUL J OEFFLER, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 327
#90295c0691 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0692 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0694 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The Mortgage Bankers Association has released a report predicting Iraq's August invasion of Kuwait and subsequent jump in oil prices will push the U.S. into a "mild recession" beginning in the fourth quarter and continuing into early 1991.

The Gross National Product grew at a scant 0.4 percent annualized rate during the second quarter and preliminary third quarter GNP figures to be released later this month are also expected to show very slow growth.

Basing its forecast on a peaceful resolution of the Mideast crisis and a successful budget accord, the MBA says the recession will be "mild in both

depth and duration."

"The faster rate of growth of GNP with our trading partners relative to ourselves should boost our exports while the slowdown in consumer spending should keep imports at lower levels, resulting in a drop in the nation's trade deficit," explained MBA economist Robert Rosenblatt. "Plus the relationship between inventories and sales are much more in balance than they have been in past recessions."

"Our forecast is for third quarter GNP at 1/2 (percent) growth, fourth quarter and first quarter at negative 1 1/2 to 2 percent at an annual rate, then picking up to positive 2 percent for the second half of 1991," Rosenblatt said.

The MBA's outlook differs somewhat from the Bush administration's projections. While both expect an upturn in the second half of 1991, the administration is predicting the economy will avoid recession, posting sluggish gains through mid-1991.

"Our best estimate is the economy will grow weakly in the fourth quarter and first quarter of next year," Michael Boskin, chairman of the president's Council of Economic Advisers, said last week.

Boskin added the administration expects GNP will be "a little below 1 percent in 1990 and a little above 1 percent in 1991."

-30- 2113
#90295c0695 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $26.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90295c0696 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 151 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0697 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90295c0698 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0699 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90295c0700 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $25.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0702 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0703 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 3,162 SHARES AT $25.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90295c0704 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 923 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 3,156,145.

-30- 328
#90295c0705 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, BERNARD L NIELSEN, PRES. OF GEHL CO. (TICKER: GEHL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90295c0706 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, PAUL E YOUNG, VP OF GEHL CO. (TICKER: GEHL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 278
#90295c0707 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:59 that trade in Howard Savings Bank (NASDAQ: HWRD) has been resumed. The first sale was 1 3/4; down 5/16 point from the halt, and down 3/8 point from the previous close.

-30- 368
#90295c0708 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ARNOLD M DAVIDSON, OFFICER OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 328
#90295c0710 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, THOMAS J KELLEY, DIR. OF GOAL SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GOAL), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,700.

-30- 327
#90295c0711 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, DAVID C WETMORE, PRES. OF GOAL SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GOAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,500.

-30- 336
#90295c0712 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WINTHROP C NEILSON, DIR. OF GUARDSMAN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: GPI), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,299.

-30- 317
#90295c0713 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ANTHONY J PRIESOL, VP OF GUNDLE ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: GUN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,350.

-30- 337
#90295c0714 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, T LOUIS AUSTIN JR, SHAREHOLDER OF HALLIBURTON CO. (TICKER: HAL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $50.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 323
#90295c0715 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DAVID A SCHOENHOLZ, VP OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 321
#90295c0716 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ORESTES LUGO, VP OF HOME INTENSIVE CARE INC. (TICKER: HICI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 314
#90295c0718 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JOHN C EATON, VP OF HAWKINS CHEMICAL INC. (TICKER: HWKN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,429.

-30- 307
#90295c0719 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, LAWRENCE G OLSON, DIR. OF INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: IMTX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90295c0720 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, LAWRENCE G OLSON, DIR. OF INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: IMTX), SOLD 17,600 SHARES AT $1.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90295c0721 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LAWRENCE G OLSON, DIR. OF INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: IMTX), SOLD 17,400 SHARES AT $1.43 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90295c0722 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, LAWRENCE G OLSON, DIR. OF INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: IMTX), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90295c0723 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, LAWRENCE G OLSON, DIR. OF INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: IMTX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 641,600.

-30- 347
#90295c0724 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, RICHARD A KIRSTEIN, DIR. OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90295c0726 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, FRED T JONES JR, PRES. OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,575,760.

-30- 334
#90295c0727 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, FRANCIS M HIPP, CHAIRMAN OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $46.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 369,734.

-30- 305
#90295c0728 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, G WILLIAM FLEMING, DIR. OF LITTLEFIELD, ADAMS & CO. (TICKER: LFA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90295c0729 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, G WILLIAM FLEMING, DIR. OF LITTLEFIELD, ADAMS & CO. (TICKER: LFA), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 328
#90295c0730 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 116,370 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90295c0731 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 1,466 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90295c0732 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, GEORGE BUGLIARELLO, DIR. OF LONG ISLAND LIGHTING CO. (TICKER: LIL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 326
#90295c0734 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, MONTROSE L EMERSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0735 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, MONTROSE L EMERSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0736 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, MONTROSE L EMERSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0737 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MONTROSE L EMERSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0738 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, MONTROSE L EMERSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0739 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, MONTROSE L EMERSON, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 324
#90295c0740 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1988, ARTHUR J BENVENUTO, CHAIRMAN OF MARROW-TECH INC. (TICKER: MARO), BOUGHT 550,000 SHARES AT $1.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 550,000.

-30- 329
#90295c0742 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CHRISTOPHER L WHITE, PRES. OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 486,255.

-30- 339
#90295c0743 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, MARK F EMERSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MAX & ERMA'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: MAXE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90295c0744 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MARK F EMERSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MAX & ERMA'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: MAXE), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 151,751.

-30- 356
#90295c0745 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, AUBREY S PRICE, DIR. OF MC SHIPPING INC. (TICKER: MCX), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 300
#90295c0746 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WARREN H HABER, CHAIRMAN OF THE MEADOW GROUP INC. (TICKER: MDOW), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 170,000.

-30- 325
#90295c0747 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, IAN M ROLLAND, DIR. OF NIPSCO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 909.

-30- 300
#90295c0748 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, BENJAMIN ZINKIN, DIR. OF NEW LINE CINEMA CORP. (TICKER: NLN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 312
#90295c0750 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES R SPICOLA, DIR. OF NORWEST CORP. (TICKER: NOB),

BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90295c0751 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JAMES R SPICOLA, DIR. OF NORWEST CORP. (TICKER: NOB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 297
#90295c0752 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0753 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0754 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0755 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0756 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JEROME I FELDMAN, PRES. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT

CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0758 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, JESSE E HENDRICKS, DIR. OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,325.

-30- 321
#90295c0759 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, JOHN W WESTMAN, OFFICER OF BANC ONE CORP. (TICKER: ONE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,297.

-30- 307
#90295c0760 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, AIDO C ZUCARO, PRES. OF OLD REPUBLIC INTL CORP. (TICKER: ORI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90295c0761 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, AIDO C ZUCARO, PRES. OF OLD REPUBLIC INTL CORP. (TICKER: ORI), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $23.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,129.

-30- 318
#90295c0762 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0763 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90295c0764 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,900.

-30- 325
#90295c0766 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, L JEAN SHANNON, VP OF THE PRICE CO. (TICKER: PCLB), BOUGHT 160 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160.

-30- 289
#90295c0767 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, FRANK C KIRTLEY, VP OF PIONEER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PION), SOLD 4,999 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,876.

-30- 315
#90295c0768 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, MERLE E GILLIAND, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,996.

-30- 318
#90295c0769 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, VINCENT A SARNI, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $22.49 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 305

#90295c0770 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: PNY), BOUGHT 13,500 SHARES AT $25.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,365,400.

-30- 363
#90295c0771 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JOSEPH C PILAND, DIR. OF PREMIER FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PREM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 855.

-30- 323
#90295c0772 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, RICHARD T HAZZARD, DIR. OF PROGRESSIVE BANK INC. (TICKER: PSBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,208.

-30- 322
#90295c0774 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM COMPONOVO, OFFICER OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 310
#90295c0775 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, EDWARD J GAFFEY, OFFICER OF REGIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: REGB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 327
#90295c0776 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 16, 1990, EDWARD J GAFFEY, OFFICER OF REGIONAL BANCORP INC.

(TICKER: REGB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 325
#90295c0777 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ROBERT J GLICKMAN, PRES. OF RIVER FOREST BANCORP. (TICKER: RFBC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 925,490.

-30- 333
#90295c0778 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JAMES W ROBINSON, DIR. OF ROBINSON NUGENT INC. (TICKER: RNIC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 514,713.

-30- 324
#90295c0779 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ROSS D SIRAGUSA JR, DIR. OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), SOLD 1,571 SHARES AT $22.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90295c0780 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ROSS D SIRAGUSA JR, DIR. OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 97,972.

-30- 330
#90295c0782 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JOSEPH J MCDOWELL, CHAIRMAN OF SOLITEC INC. (TICKER: SOLI), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $1.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 308

#90295c0783 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, RAYMOND M TORTOLANI, DIR. OF SPAN-AMERICA MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SPAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 350
#90295c0784 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM B BENACK, DIR. OF STATE BANCORP INC.(N.Y.) (TICKER: STBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,788.

-30- 336
#90295c0785 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM B BENACK, DIR. OF STATE BANCORP INC.(N.Y.) (TICKER: STBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90295c0786 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLIAM B BENACK, DIR. OF STATE BANCORP INC.(N.Y.) (TICKER: STBC), BOUGHT 552 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90295c0787 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLIAM B BENACK, DIR. OF STATE BANCORP INC.(N.Y.) (TICKER: STBC), BOUGHT 552 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90295c0788 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JEFFRY F KOHLHOFF, OFFICER OF STOKELY USA INC. (TICKER: STKY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90295c0790 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, THOMAS W MOUNT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STOKELY USA INC. (TICKER: STKY), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,800.

-30- 348
#90295c0791 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, MORTY ROSENKRANZ, VP OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90295c0792 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, MORTY ROSENKRANZ, VP OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,143.

-30- 317
#90295c0793 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90295c0794 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $34.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90295c0795 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE &

WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $34.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90295c0796 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90295c0798 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90295c0799 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90295c0800 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90295c0801 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90295c0802 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE &

WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90295c0803 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90295c0804 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90295c0806 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90295c0807 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90295c0808 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), BOUGHT 2,424 SHARES AT $35.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,932,466.

-30- 369
#90295c0809 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JOHN H RAUSCHER JR, DIR. OF SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC SERVICE CO. (TICKER: SWEL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $39.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,675.

-30- 342
#90295c0810 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM F RILEY III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SWIFT TRANSPORTATION INC. (TICKER: SWFT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 350
#90295c0811 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JOSE A MARROQUIN, OFFICER OF SUAVE SHOE CORP. (TICKER: SWV), SOLD 2,209 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90295c0812 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JOEL NEWMAN, DIR. OF SUAVE SHOE CORP. (TICKER: SWV), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 297
#90295c0814 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOEL DIAMOND, SHAREHOLDER OF THREE D DEPARTMENTS INC. (TICKER: TDDB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 141,632.

-30- 337
#90295c0815 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, RALPH D KETCHUM, DIR. OF THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TII), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 302

#90295c0816 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0817 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0818 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0819 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0820 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $17.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0822 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.84 PER SHARE.

-30- 301

#90295c0823 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 2,634 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90295c0824 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90295c0825 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 9,594 SHARES AT $17.96 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,653,094.

-30- 348
#90295c0826 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JACK TSENG, PRES. OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0827 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JACK TSENG, PRES. OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90295c0828 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JACK TSENG, PRES. OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90295c0830 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JACK TSENG, PRES. OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG), SOLD 28,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,851,786.

-30- 322
#90295c0831 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, TEXTRON INC ESSP, BEN. OWNER OF TEXTRON INC. (TICKER: TXT), BOUGHT 243,973 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90295c0832 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GARY W JOHNSON, OFFICER OF TYSON FOODS INC. (TICKER: TYSN), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,630.

-30- 315
#90295c0833 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CHARLES H TENNEY II, CHAIRMAN OF UNITIL CORP. (TICKER: UTL), BOUGHT 157 SHARES AT $33.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,143.

-30- 309
#90295c0834 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, BARRY RESSLER, PRES. OF UNIVERSAL VOLTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: UVL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,470.

-30- 323
#90295c0835 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 13, 1990, LLOYD GREIF, DIR. OF VIDMARK INC. (TICKER: VDMK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 292
#90295c0836 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RONALD H HOENIG, DIR. OF VIATECH INC. (TICKER: VTK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90295c0838 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, RONALD H HOENIG, DIR. OF VIATECH INC. (TICKER: VTK), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 295
#90295c0839 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90295c0840 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,186.

-30- 324
#90295c0841 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, KENNETH I COCO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WATERHOUSE INVESTOR SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WHOO), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 349
#90295c0842 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, KENNETH I COCO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WATERHOUSE INVESTOR SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WHOO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $3.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,524.

-30- 353
#90295c0843 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, LAWRENCE M WATERHOUSE JR, CHAIRMAN OF WATERHOUSE INVESTOR SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WHOO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 466,700.

-30- 353
#90295c0844 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, LAWRENCE M WATERHOUSE JR, CHAIRMAN OF WATERHOUSE INVESTOR SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WHOO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 329,543.

-30- 355
#90295c0846 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, BRIAN E MYERSCOUGH, OFFICER OF X-RITE INC. (TICKER: XRIT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 314
#90295c0847 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, JAMES E TINNELL, DIR. OF ZILA INC. (TICKER: ZILA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 791,381.

-30- 295
#90295c0848 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DAVID M PETROFF, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF ZEMEX CORP. (TICKER: ZMX), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 300.

-30- 329
#90295c0849 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:26 that trade in MetroBank Financial Group (NASDAQ: MFGR) has been resumed. The first sale was 3/4; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 357
#90295c0850 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 19, 1990, ASK announced that the Delaware Chancery Court confirmed its prior decision not to block ASK's proposed stock sale to EDS and Hewlett Packard. Plaintiff's actions to appeal the decision have been denied.

-30- 423
#90295c0852 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 16

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 19, 1990, the company issued a press release that included a letter it had sent to the chairman of KCPL in response to an earlier letter from the chairman. The letter refuted the claim that the company had "stonewalled" attempts of KCPL in attempting to meet with the company.

-30- 491
#90295c0853 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) COMTEX - Interpublic Group of Companies Inc.(TICKER: IPG) filed a registration statement with the SEC relating to up to 500,000 shares of the company's common stock to be offered to certain non-U.S. persons who are shareholders of Lowe Group plc.

The offering is to be made pursuant to an exchange offer by Interpublic for the whole of the share capital of Lowe Group not already owned by Interpublic

and its subsidiaries.

Upon the acquisition of a controlling interest in Lowe Group, Interpublic will have three advertising agency systems, McCann-Erickson Worldwide, Lintas: Worldwide and Lowe Worldwide.

Interpublic's executive office is located at 1271 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10020 and its telephone number is (212) 399-8000.

-30- 942

#90295c0855 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) Winston Financial Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC reporting the following financial results:

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	9 Months Ended June 30, 1990	Year ended Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$12,466	$8,427
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(348,262)	$(248,057
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

TOTAL ASSETS	$2,020,309	$882,738
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,113,872	$482,286

-30- 922

#90295c0856 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - TJ Systems Corp. has filed a Form 8-K with the SEC amending its six-month earnings as follows:

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Six Months Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,211,433	$5,128,808
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$613,494	$652,002
TOTAL ASSETS	$19,444,782	$15,960,898
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$17,937,727	$14,541,844

On Sept. 25, 1990, the company appointed James A. Favia as its fifth board member.

The company's executive office is located at 140 Adams Ave., Suite A-5, Hauppauge, NY 11788 and its telephone number is (516) 273-9130.

-30- 912

#90295c0857 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept 28, 1990, Victoria Financial Corp.(TICKER: VICF) completed a private placement pursuant to which it sold to two institutional investors an aggregate of $4.25 million principal amount of its 10% ten year convertible subordinated notes.

The notes are convertible into Victoria's common stock at any time at an option of the holder at a conversion price of $2.00 per share.

The proceeds of the private placement were used to reduce debt and private capital for Victoria's subsidiary, Victoria Fire & Casualty Co., to support its growth in the writing of nonstandard automobile insurance.

Victoria's executive office is located at 5915 Landerbrook Drive, Cleveland, Ohio 44124 and its telephone number is (216) 461-3461.

-30- 951

#90295c0858 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Daltex Medical Sciences Inc.(TICKER: DLTX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended July, 31

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$504,350	$306,106
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(622,172)	$(883,528)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.11)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,083,000	8,070,000

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$1,674,605	$2,298,586
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,232,070	$1,854,242

-30- 1030

#90295c0859 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Timberline Minerals Inc.(TICKER: TIMM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$106,458
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(157,564)	$1,898
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,224,439	$3,219,367
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,357,647	$2,515,211

-30- 981

#90295c0860 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Allico Corp.(TICKER: ALIC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

13 Weeks Ended	13 Weeks Ended	
	Sept. 1, 1990	Aug. 26, 1989
REVENUES	$3,831,000	$2,007,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(93,000)	$(426,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.11)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,154,000	4,042,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept.1, 1990	March 3, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,633,000	$6,005,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,361,000	$1,772,000

-30- 1050

#90295c0861 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Biodynamics Inc.(TICKER: BDYN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$702,096	$474,561
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$12,081	$(489,773)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,295,954	5,968,123

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Nov. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,152,340	$1,053,552
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$456,218	$169,773

-30- 1033

#90295c0863 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Cable Car Beverage Corp.(TICKER: DRNK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,469,088	$4,251,177
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	$46,400
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,155,745)	$87,280
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.23)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,050,064	2,940,777

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,525,764	$2,684,500
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,462,764	$1,340,191

-30- 1041

#90295c0864 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Filmstar Inc.(TICKER: FLTR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Year Ended June 30, 1990	Year Ended May 31, 1989
REVENUES	$6,885,000	$2,976,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(534,000)	$(961,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$(0.24)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,562,000	4,011,000

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	May 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,750,000	$6,801,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,015,000	$87,000

-30- 1049

#90295c0865 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - Bethlehem Resources Corp.(TICKER: BTHM) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it lost $357,885, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $300,058 for the six-month period ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $15,956, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $518,522 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 497
#90295c0866 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Delta Natural Gas.(TICKER: DGAS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$27,182,104	$25,684,018
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,195,512	$1,535,077
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.76	$1.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,563,588	1,430,608

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$44,243,819	$40,233,578
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$27,600,328	$28,703,067

-30- 1022
#90295c0867 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:57 that trade in Geodyne Resources Inc.(NASDAQ: GEOD) has been resumed. The first sale was 1 15/16; down 1/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 359
#90295c0868 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 16:01 that trade in Kinark Corp. has been halted pending news. The company ticker symbol is KIN.

-30- 281
#90295c0869 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN A STEPAN OF 777 ROSEWOOD, WINNETKA, IL 60093, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,000 SHARES OF STEPAN CO. (TICKER: SCL) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 18, 1990.

(STEPAN CO. TEL: 708 446-7500)

-30- 382
#90295c0871 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM HENRY PENSION PLAN OF 3013 DIXWELL AVE, HAMDEN, CT 06518, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,334 SHARES OF DATAIMAGE INC. (TICKER: DATA) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 18, 1990.

(DATAIMAGE INC. TEL: 203 659-3980)

-30- 423
#90295c0872 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAYWOOD SMITH OF 1215 CHERRY RD, MEMPHIS, TN 38117, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 18, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 416
#90295c0873 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN H WERT OF 929 SAN LUCIA SE, GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49506, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,333 SHARES OF SHAREDATA INC. (TICKER: SHRD) THROUGH MCDONALD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 18, 1990.

(SHAREDATA INC. TEL: 602 961-7519)

-30- 394
#90295c0874 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE P SUPP OF 1506 WAUKAZOO DRIVE, HOLLAND, MI 49424, HAS FILED TO SELL 31,667 SHARES OF SHAREDATA INC. (TICKER: SHRD) THROUGH MCDONALD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 18, 1990.

(SHAREDATA INC. TEL: 602 961-7519)

-30- 394
#90295c0875 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD J ELKUS JR OF 60 CLAY STREET, ATHERTON, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 18, 1990.

(INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 980-1500)

-30- 427
#90295c0876 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEE S OSBORNE OF 6800 TEXAS COMMERCE TOWER, HOUSTON, TX 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SEAGULL ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: SGO) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 18, 1990.

(SEAGULL ENERGY CORP. TEL: 713 455-0636)

-30- 419
#90295c0877 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 24, 1990, K.R. FOX, PRES. OF AMERICAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: AMTT), BOUGHT 78,000 SHARES AT $0.11 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 626,700.

-30- 338
#90295c0879 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, D.G. AVERY, DIR. OF WINTON FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 300
#90295c0880 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, R.E. HOEWELER, DIR. OF WINTON FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 7,125 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,925.

-30- 307
#90295c0881 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, W.J. PARCHMAN, DIR. OF WINTON FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,050.

-30- 307
#90295c0882 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, J. POSTON, DIR. OF WINTON FINANCIAL CORP. SOLD 14,500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90295c0883 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, H. SCHULHOFF, DIR. OF WINTON FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,020.

-30- 303
#90295c0884 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, W.B. COX, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (SC) BOUGHT 361 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,910.

-30- 293
#90295c0885 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 16, 1990, J.C. MCALHANY, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (SC) BOUGHT 189 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,556.

-30- 301
#90295c0887 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 17, 1990, F.J. FALGOUST JR, DIR. OF ONE AMERICAN CORP. SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 296
#90295c0888 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 9, 1990, C.E. FRENCH, PRES. OF SHENANDOAH TELECOMMUNICATIONS CO. BOUGHT 180 SHARES AT $93.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,215.

-30- 319
#90295c0889 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 16, 1990, K. TAYLOR, VP OF INTERNATIONAL LEASE FINANCE CORP. (TICKER: ILFC) BOUGHT 302 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 302.

-30- 332
#90295c0890 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, P.J. ROCCO, DIR. OF ORANGE BANCORP. BOUGHT 6,300 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 132,670.

-30- 289
#90295c0891 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, T.W. THOMPSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNIVERSAL MANUFACTURING CO. SOLD 500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,600.

-30- 339
#90295c0892 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, E.W. DABNEY, DIR. OF VOLUNTEER BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: VOLB) BOUGHT 586 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 606.

-30- 320
#90295c0893 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, E.L. BONTRAGER, OFFICER OF SCHULT HOMES CORP. (TICKER: SHC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 321
#90295c0895 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, G.F. DISTELHORST, DIR. OF L.C.B. BANCORP INC BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,126.

-30- 300
#90295c0896 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, G.F. DISTELHORST, DIR. OF L.C.B. BANCORP INC BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 561.

-30- 300
#90295c0897 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, N.L. KELLER, DIR. OF UNIVEST CORP.(PA) (TICKER: UVSP) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,899.

-30- 300
#90295c0898 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 30, 1990, J.W. MCNUTT, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED BANCSHARES INC. (AR) (TICKER: UNTD) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 335
#90295c0899 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JOHN H DANIELS, SHAREHOLDER OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90295c0900 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JOHN H DANIELS, SHAREHOLDER OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 436,456.

-30- 340
#90295c0901 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, PATRICK D GALLAGHER, VP OF ALPHA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AHA), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90295c0903 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, PATRICK D GALLAGHER, VP OF ALPHA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AHA), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 309
#90295c0904 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, M DAVID BRYANT JR, OFFICER OF AMTECH CORP. (TICKER: AMTC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 309
#90295c0905 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WATSON WHITESIDE, OFFICER OF AIR WISCONSIN SERVICES INC. (TICKER: ARWS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,166.

-30- 323
#90295c0906 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MICHAEL COLLINS, DIR. OF AVEMCO CORP. (TICKER: AVE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 293
#90295c0907 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, DONALD E SNOWBERGER, OFFICER OF BARNES GROUP INC. (TICKER: B), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150.

-30- 316
#90295c0908 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JERALD D BIDLACK, DIR. OF BUSH INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BSH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,250.

-30- 307
#90295c0909 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BRUNO DEGOL, DIR. OF BT FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BTFC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,564.

-30- 305
#90295c0911 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, GERALD W SWATSWORTH, CHAIRMAN OF BT FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BTFC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,399.

-30- 325
#90295c0912 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 7,300 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90295c0913 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90295c0914 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90295c0915 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90295c0916 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,800.

-30- 300
#90295c0917 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,000.

-30- 298
#90295c0919 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ROBERT J DILLMAN, DIR. OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90295c0920 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CTRLS INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHEMFIX TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CFIX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,618,740.

-30- 375
#90295c0921 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JAMES L REUTTER, DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,317.

-30- 311
#90295c0922 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, DORIS L JOHNSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA JOCKEY CLUB (TICKER: CJ), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90295c0923 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, DORIS L JOHNSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA JOCKEY CLUB (TICKER: CJ), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,500.

-30- 323
#90295c0924 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLIAM B DOCKSER, CHAIRMAN OF CRI INSURED MTG ASSN INC. (TICKER: CMM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 117,650.

-30- 337
#90295c0925 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, THOMAS F RUSSELL, DIR. OF CMS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CMS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 312
#90295c0927 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, GEORGE O NICHOLS, CHAIRMAN OF COURIER CORP. (TICKER: CRRC), SOLD 1,389 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90295c0928 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JAMES B BAKER, VP OF CONSTAR INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CTR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 306
#90295c0929 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, EDWARD A MONEY, DIR. OF DATUM INC. (TICKER: DATM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 294
#90295c0930 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DONALD F DAY, CHAIRMAN OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90295c0931 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DONALD F DAY, CHAIRMAN OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90295c0932 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DONALD F DAY, CHAIRMAN OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 145,684.

-30- 307
#90295c0933 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, FREDERICK E SMITHLINE, DIR. OF DEL-VAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DVL), SOLD 3,200 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 332
#90295c0935 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 26, 1986, PHILLIP S MYERS, DIR. OF ECHLIN INC. (TICKER: ECH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 292
#90295c0936 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOSEPH L MARCUM, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 333
#90295c0937 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, STANISLAW H BEDNARSKI, BEN. OWNER OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90295c0938 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, STANISLAW H BEDNARSKI, BEN. OWNER OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90295c0939 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, STANISLAW H BEDNARSKI, BEN. OWNER OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90295c0940 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, STANISLAW H BEDNARSKI, BEN. OWNER OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90295c0941 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, STANISLAW H BEDNARSKI, BEN. OWNER OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90295c0943 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, STANISLAW H BEDNARSKI, BEN. OWNER OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 133,500.

-30- 338
#90295c0944 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, DAVID MEISTER, SHAREHOLDER OF FINANCIAL NEWS NETWORK INC. (TICKER: FNNI), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90295c0945 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1990, DAVID MEISTER, SHAREHOLDER OF FINANCIAL NEWS NETWORK INC. (TICKER: FNNI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $8.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90295c0946 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, DAVID MEISTER, SHAREHOLDER OF FINANCIAL NEWS NETWORK INC. (TICKER: FNNI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90295c0947 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, DAVID MEISTER, SHAREHOLDER OF FINANCIAL NEWS NETWORK INC. (TICKER: FNNI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90295c0948 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, DAVID MEISTER, SHAREHOLDER OF FINANCIAL NEWS NETWORK INC. (TICKER: FNNI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $8.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90295c0949 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, DAVID MEISTER, SHAREHOLDER OF FINANCIAL NEWS NETWORK INC. (TICKER: FNNI), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $7.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90295c0951 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, GERBER PRODTS RET INVMT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF GERBER PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: GEB), BOUGHT 113 SHARES AT $56.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,990.

-30- 346
#90295c0952 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, JAMES A JONES, OFFICER OF GENICOM CORP. (TICKER: GECM), BOUGHT 963 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 963.

-30- 297
#90295c0953 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROBERT E MCNAIR, DIR. OF GEORGIA-PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: GP), SOLD 158 SHARES AT $33.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 308
#90295c0954 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, D STUART BLAKELY, DIR. OF GRANITE STATE BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: GSBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 337
#90295c0955 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JAMES S MARLEN, VP OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90295c0956 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JAMES S MARLEN, VP OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90295c0957 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JAMES S MARLEN, VP OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,500.

-30- 293
#90295c0959 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ROBERT E GOSMAN, DIR. OF HAMPTONS BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,325.

-30- 325
#90295c0960 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, RONALD M KRAWCZYK, VP OF HAMPTONS BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 327
#90295c0961 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DAVID L TALMAGE, DIR. OF HAMPTONS BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBSI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,771.

-30- 328
#90295c0962 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, DONALD RAY ARDEMAGNI, VP OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90295c0963 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DONALD RAY ARDEMAGNI, VP OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90295c0964 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DONALD RAY ARDEMAGNI, VP OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF), SOLD 4,700 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90295c0965 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DONALD RAY ARDEMAGNI, VP OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF), SOLD 9,373 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90295c0967 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, RICHARD H HEADLEE, AFFILIATED PERSON OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $27.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 550.

-30- 347
#90295c0968 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, FRANCIS G MIDDLETON, DIR. OF HEALTHSOURCE INC. (TICKER: HLTH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,100.

-30- 315
#90295c0969 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, DONALD R KEOUGH, DIR. OF HEINZ (H.J.) CO. (TICKER: HNZ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $32.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 303
#90295c0970 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, RICHARD H BROOKS, DIR. OF HOME PORT BANCORP INC. (TICKER: HPBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 316
#90295c0971 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF HIGH YIELD PLUS FUND INC. (TICKER: HYP), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90295c0972 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF HIGH YIELD PLUS FUND INC. (TICKER: HYP), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 343
#90295c0973 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF HIGH YIELD PLUS FUND INC. (TICKER: HYP), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90295c0975 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF HIGH YIELD PLUS FUND INC. (TICKER: HYP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,500.

-30- 381
#90295c0976 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, SAUL J PANNELL, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF HIGH YIELD PLUS FUND INC. (TICKER: HYP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 375
#90295c0977 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MICHAEL P STANSKY, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF HIGH YIELD PLUS FUND INC. (TICKER: HYP), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250.

-30- 372
#90295c0978 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 12, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c0979 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 13, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c0980 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 19, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 922,583.

-30- 337
#90295c0981 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $1.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90295c0983 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 920,083.

-30- 337
#90295c0984 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $2.45 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90295c0985 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c0986 10/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 07, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c0987 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 10, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c0988 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.11 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c0989 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.11 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 910,583.

-30- 337
#90295c0991 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c0992 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 298

#90295c0993 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.61 PER SHARE.

-30- 298

#90295c0994 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 29, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 903,083.

-30- 337

#90295c0995 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 22, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 2,250 SHARES AT $2.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 883,333.

-30- 337

#90295c0996 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 298

#90295c0997 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 298

#90295c0999 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 06, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c1000 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c1001 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c1002 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c1003 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c1004 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 13, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c1005 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.61 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90295c1007 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 20, 1989, BRUCE HAHN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CONSUMER BRANDS INC. (TICKER: ICBI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 885,583.

-30- 337
#90295c1008 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DON C LEIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOSTENS INC. (TICKER: JOS), SOLD 3,400 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,000.

-30- 318
#90295c1009 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM S BADGLEY, CHAIRMAN OF MAGNA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MAGI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90295c1010 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, WILLIAM S BADGLEY, CHAIRMAN OF MAGNA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MAGI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90295c1011 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOHN K BIRCHFIELD JR, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 299
#90295c1012 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MICHAEL T PATTON, VP OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC.

(TICKER: MAWS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,979.

-30- 325
#90295c1013 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DENNIS P WILBURN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90295c1015 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 04, 1990, HERBERT GOFFSTEIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MAIL BOXES COAST TO COAST INC. (TICKER: MBCC), SOLD 146,485 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,070,848.

-30- 372
#90295c1016 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 04, 1990, GARY M WILLIAMS, PRES. OF MAIL BOXES COAST TO COAST INC. (TICKER: MBCC), SOLD 146,485 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,120,848.

-30- 347
#90295c1017 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, LINCOLN DAVIS III, DIR. OF MID-COAST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MCBN), BOUGHT 317 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,317.

-30- 316
#90295c1018 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, ROY M WINCHENBACH, DIR. OF MID-COAST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MCBN), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,080.

-30- 324
#90295c1019 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, WILLIAM E NELSON, DIR. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 768 SHARES AT $9.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90295c1020 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, WILLIAM E NELSON, DIR. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 144 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,217.

-30- 325
#90295c1021 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, CHARLES R SCOTT, DIR. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 344 SHARES AT $9.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90295c1023 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, EUGENE L HUGHES, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90295c1024 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, EUGENE L HUGHES, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90295c1025 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, EUGENE L HUGHES, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF

NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,008,702.

-30- 380
#90295c1026 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, KRISTINE F HUGHES, CHAIRMAN OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90295c1027 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, KRISTINE F HUGHES, CHAIRMAN OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90295c1028 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, KRISTINE F HUGHES, CHAIRMAN OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,008,702.

-30- 342
#90295c1029 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOHN E LOBBIA, SHAREHOLDER OF NBD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBD), BOUGHT 180 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 730.

-30- 313
#90295c1031 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ROBERT C SNYDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUANEX CORP. (TICKER: NX), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90295c1032 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ROBERT C SNYDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QUANEX CORP. (TICKER: NX), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT $13.76 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,960.

-30- 323
#90295c1033 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ROGER V CARTER, DIR. OF OREGON METALLURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: OREM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 327
#90295c1034 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROBERT S AMES, DIR. OF PRECISION CASTPARTS CORP. (TICKER: PCP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $32.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90295c1035 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROBERT S AMES, DIR. OF PRECISION CASTPARTS CORP. (TICKER: PCP), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 316
#90295c1036 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, HARRY R HART, DIR. OF PORTSMOUTH BANK SHARES INC. (TICKER: POBS), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90295c1037 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, FRANK CASTELLANA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90295c1039 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, FRANK CASTELLANA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $4.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90295c1040 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, FRANK CASTELLANA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $4.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90295c1041 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, FRANK CASTELLANA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90295c1042 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, FRANK CASTELLANA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90295c1043 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, FRANK CASTELLANA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90295c1044 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, FRANK CASTELLANA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90295c1045 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, FRANK CASTELLANA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90295c1047 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, FRANK CASTELLANA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 365,710.

-30- 358
#90295c1048 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, F THOMAS BALZER, OFFICER OF SAGE ANALYTICS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: SAII), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,250.

-30- 340
#90295c1049 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1987, RUFUS C BARKLEY JR, DIR. OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 338
#90295c1050 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, LOWELL L PEACOCK, CHAIRMAN OF SECURITY BANCORP INC.(MI) (TICKER: SECB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90295c1051 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, LOWELL L PEACOCK, CHAIRMAN OF SECURITY BANCORP INC.(MI)

(TICKER: SECB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90295c1052 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, LOWELL L PEACOCK, CHAIRMAN OF SECURITY BANCORP INC.(MI) (TICKER: SECB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 340
#90295c1053 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM N GEIGER, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 176 SHARES AT $11.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,149.

-30- 326
#90295c1055 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1987, JAMES D MCLEAN JR, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90295c1056 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 20, 1988, JAMES D MCLEAN JR, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90295c1057 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 29, 1988, JAMES D MCLEAN JR, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90295c1058 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, JAMES D MCLEAN JR, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90295c1059 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1989, JAMES D MCLEAN JR, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90295c1060 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JERRY K MYERS, DIR. OF SOCIETY CORP. (TICKER: SOCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,486.

-30- 298
#90295c1061 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLIAM C HULSEY, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,843.

-30- 307
#90295c1063 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JUANITA A BORICK, BEN. OWNER OF SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTL INC. (TICKER: SUP), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 475,642.

-30- 337
#90295c1064 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES E UPFIELD, CHAIRMAN OF TEMTEX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TMTX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,159,100.

-30- 323
#90295c1065 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, RICHARD A GIANNOTTI, VP OF UNITED DOMINION REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: UDR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 346
#90295c1066 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, GORDON ROBINETT, DIR. OF UNIFORCE TEMPORARY PERSONNEL INC. (TICKER: UNFR), SOLD 780 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,430.

-30- 339
#90295c1067 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 19, 1990, GREGORY KEENAN, OFFICER OF UNO RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: UNO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,460.

-30- 316
#90295c1068 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, RUTH R MCMULLIN, DIR. OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 306
#90295c1069 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOHN M STACHOWIAK, VP OF US WEST NEWVECTOR GRP INC. (TICKER: USWN), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750.

-30- 328
#90295c1071 10/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, DANIEL C LYONS, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,200.

-30- 329

#90295d0020 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHARTOUM (OCT 22) - Thirty-seven rebels of the Sudan People's Liberation Army were killed in a clash with paramilitary forces at Melut in Upper Nile, the Sudan News Agency Suna reported Monday.

A military source quoted by the agency said a rebel officer holding the rank of captain was captured in the clash Saturday. None of the paramilitary forces were injured, the report said.

-30- 555

#90295d0350 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (OCT. 22) - Six South African members of parliament, including a white member of the right-wing Conservative party, were hosted Monday by the Zimbabwe government in the first meeting of its kind.

''It was an historic meeting,'' said South African Trade Commissioner Nico Nel Ater. ''In the past, I don't think the atmosphere was conducive to a meeting at such a level.''

Zimbabwe, one of the fiercest African critics of apartheid, has maintained a policy that allows it to trade with its powerful southern neighbour, but refuses political contact.

Observers saw Monday's meeting as a major breakthrough in President Frederik de Klerk's attempt to normalise relations with Africa and the rest of the world.

Nel said the meeting had been approved by the cabinet of President Robert Mugabe.

The South African delegation met for two hours with 12 black Zimbabwean Mps. It also met deputy parliament speaker Welshman Mabhena and deputy minister of labour Florence Chitauro.

The group has also visited Mozambique, Malawi, Lesotho and Swaziland, all of which have extensive backgrounds of relations with South Africa.

-30- 1345

#90295d0520 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 22) - United States Defense Secretary Dick Cheney Monday confirmed here Iraq had captured a ''certain number'' of U.S.-made Hawk anti-aircraft missiles when Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait on August 2.

He said following talks with President Francois Mitterrand that Washington did not know how many of these missiles had fallen into the hands of the Iraqis and whether they could operate them.

The daily Washington Post has reported that the Iraqis had captured about 150 Hawk missiles and radar equipment.

Each of the missiles is capable of striking a high-speed aircraft flying at low to medium altitude up to 40 kilometres away, it quoted officials and government analysts as saying.

Cheney, who was on the last day of a four-day visit to France, said on La Cinq television that there were no technical or political reasons for the United States to launch a military attack against Iraq in the next few months.

There was no timetable or artificial limits and Washington was relying on the United Nations-imposed embargo against Iraq, but there were other options, he said.

Talks with Baghdad would be possible once Iraq abides by U.N. Security Council resolutions calling for an Iraqi pullout from Kuwait, Cheney added.

The accent must remain on the ''agression of (Iraqi President) Sadam Hussein'' and he voiced his opposition to a Middle East peace conference dealing with all conflicts in the region.

-30- 1645

#90295d0530 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT. 22) - A court here on Monday freed on bail the assistant mufti of Jerusalem, arrested last week following a confrontation near the Temple Mount in which Israeli security forces killed 21 Palestinians.

Sheikh Mohammad al-Jamal, an assistant to the Moslem spiritual leader of Jerusalem, was released on bail of 20,000 shekels (10,000 dollars) and on condition that he refrain from "subversive activities," court sources said.

Sheikh Mohammad is suspected by police of having played an active part in clashes that erupted October 8 after Palestinians began hurling stones at Jewish worshippers at the Wailing Wall.

Police responded with tear gas but later opened fire with live ammunition,

killing 21 Palestinians, wounding 150 and prompting the unanimous condemnation

of their actions by the United Nations Security Council.

The release of Sheikh Mohammad came on a day of extreme tension in Israel following the stabbing deaths of three Israelis by a 19-year-old Palestinian on Sunday.

The attack, which police said appeared to be in retaliation for the deaths of the 21 Palestinians, led Jerusalem authorities to bar Arabs from the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip from entering the city.

Police also mounted roadblocks to carry out searches and identity checks of Palestinians in Israel.

On the West Bank, Israeli troops shot and fatally wounded a 14-year-old Palestinian boy in a confrontation that erupted in the community of Jenin, army and Palestinian sources said.

Mahmoud Lakhlouch was the 739th Palestinian to die from Israeli gunfire in the occupied territories, according to an unofficial toll compiled by AFP, since the start of an Arab uprising in December 1987.

-30- 1914

#90295d0540 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (OCT. 22) - Argentine Vice President Eduardo Duhalde Monday charged that a former army colonel who led a military uprising in 1988 was waging a "destabilization campaign" against the government.

Mr. Duhalde made the accusation in response to a letter sent by retired colonel Mohammed Seineldin to President Carlos Menem Saturday, warning that conditions in the military were ripe for another revolt.

Mr. Seineldin also complained that his followers in the military were being persecuted. The letter arrived while Mr. Menem was on a tour of Europe.

The newspaper Clarin said the colonel's missive was meant to evoke a letter General Francisco Franco wrote to Spain's Ministry of War in 1936 shortly before he rose up in revolt against the Republican government, launching the Spanish civil war.

Mr. Duhalde threatened Mr. Seineldin with a military court martial unless he disavowed the letter, which he said was part of "a campaign to destabilize the democratic process."

"There is no more unrest in the armed forces than in other sectors of the state," the news agency Noticias Argentinas quoted the vice president as saying.

-30- 1363
#90295d0650 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROME (OCT 22) - Italian auto group Fiat has decided to double its layoffs aimed at coping with a slowdown in auto sales, auto unions announced late Monday.

They said the one-week layoffs at Fiat auto factories would be hiked from about 35,000 to 70,000 workers.

-30- 448
#90295d0740 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VALLETTA (OCT. 22) - German President Richard von Weizsaecker at the start of a three-day trip to Malta Monday thanked the Mediterranean island state for its contribution to both the German and the European unification.

Weizsaecker, speaking at a dinner given in his honour by Maltese President Vincent Tabone, said he hoped that ''the good atmosphere'' that marked last December's U.S.-Soviet summit off the island's coast would continue to prevail.

Weizsaecker, accompanied by his wife Marianne and German Minister without portfolio Lothar de Maiziere, said he was happy that Malta had asked to become a full member of the European Community.

Weizsaeckers earlier had separate talks with Tabone and Prime Minister Edward Fenech Adami.

-30- 926
#90295d0810 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 22) - The Soviet autonomous republic of Mari Monday declared itself sovereign, Tass news agency reported.

The republic's Supreme Soviet (parliament) also voted to declare that the republic remains part of the Russian federation, the Soviet Union's largest republic. Legislators stated that Mari has the sole right to its land, natural reserves and water.

The Russian autonomous republics of Yakutia, Karelia, Tataria and Komi have also declared sovereignty.

-30- 654
#90295d1290 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JEDDAH (OCT 22) - Cairo President Hosny Mubarak told Egyptian troops in Saudi Arabia Monday he hoped the Gulf crisis would end without bloodshed, but he said Arab armies would have to confront Iraq if it attacked another Arab

country.

The Egyptian news agency Mena said Mubarak addressed the troops after a meeting behind closed doors with the commander of the Egyptian forces in Saudi Arabia, General Muhammad Ali Bilal, and Egyptian Defence Minister Yussif Sabri Abu Taleb.

Mena quoted Mubarak as saying he hoped that Iraq would think deeply, review its calculations and withdraw from Kuwait. ''If, God forbid, Iraq commits aggression against another Arab country and moves its armies against another country, then the Arabs must move their armies against Iraq,'' Mubarak said.

Asked about reports that Iraq had deployed missiles in Sudan, Mubarak said, ''I will strike whoever deploys missiles on my borders. This is no joking matter. This will not take 24 hours. We do not attack anyone but our dignity does not accept bargaining.''

Mubarak arrived for a surprise visit at the northeastern Saudi airport of Qaysumah earlier in the day.

Egypt has sent some 14,000 troops to join a multinational force deployed in the region to protect Saudi Arabia against a possible Iraqi attack.

-30- 1509

#90295d6260 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bangkok (OCT. 22) - Some of Burma's dissident monks, facing threats of arrest and imprisonment by the country's military-led regime, have agreed to end their boycott of religious services attended by military personnel, reports said Monday.

''The senior monks said that they accepted the appeal for an end to the boycott,'' said Radio Rangoon in a report on events in Mandalay City, the centre of religious opposition to the military government.

By Sunday afternoon some senior monks in Mandalay had ordered an end to the boycott. It ended all buddhist rites for members of the military and their families. Some monks in Rangoon also gave in to the military pressure, added the report.

Senior monks in Mandalay launched their ''religious boycott'' by refusing to minister military personnel and their families last month in protest at the alleged killing of monks and undemocractic trends in the country.

Burma, where almost 90 percent of the population is Buddhist, has been ruled under martial law by the State Law and Order Restoration Council (Slorc) since September, 1988, when a pro-democracy movement was silenced.

Last week, Slorc head, General Saw Maung gave the dissident monks until Saturday midnight to end their boycott and on Sunday the Slorc issued an order giving military officers the right to arrest monks taking part in political activities.

It was still unclear how many Burmese monks had refused to end the boycott, and what will happen to the offenders now that the deadline is passed.

-30- 1713

#90295d6270 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 22) - South Korea's economy is set to grow by 8.8 percent this year - 2 percent more than in 1989, the central Bank of Korea announced here Monday.

The Gulf crisis combined with a dip in economic performance in the industrialised countries had prompted bankers to revise downard their original prediction of 9 percent, said a statement.

Meanwhile, South Korea was on course for a current account deficit of 1.7 billion U.S. dollars this year, said the central bank report.

Seoul was able to report current account surpluses from 1986 to 1989 - the surplus on goods and services last year amounted to 5.1 million dollars.

Inflation, likely to reach 10 percent in 1990, was the biggest headache, said the bank report.

It urged the government to curb spending in the last quarter in order not to further increase the quantity of money in circulation. Credits should also be given sparingly, added banking experts.

-30- 1117

#90295d6290 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 22) - Eight students demanding the ouster of President Roh Tae-Woo's government firebombed the South Korean intelligence agency here Monday, local press reports said.

The students, arriving by private car and taxi at the front gate of the National Security Planning Agency (NSPA) in central Seoul, hurled more than 20 fire bombs at a building, the national Yonhap News Agency said.

They then set fire to the car they had brought and scattered anti-government leaflets, before being arrested by 10 NSPA guards and four policemen who chased them firing blank shots, Yonhap said.

The NSPA building received little damage from the attack, other press reports

said.

The leaflet accused Mr. Roh's government of spying on civilians through the NSPA, formerly known as the Korean CIA, and the controversial Defense Security Command (DSC).

-30- 1032

#90295d6470 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manila (OCT. 22) - An aide to former President Ferdinand Marcos was sentenced here Monday to 60 years in jail for misusing public funds.

The court said Luis Tabuena, a former manager of Manila Airport, had misused millions of pesos in 1986 and was guilty on three counts of malversation.

Another ranking airport official, Adolfo Peralta, was also held guilty on one count and was sentenced to 20 years imprisonment.

Tabuena, a close associate of then President Marcos, claimed he had disbursed 55 million pesos in accordance with a ''lawful order'' by the president.

The court said his defence was not credible and ordered Tabuena and Peralta to pay fines equivalent to the amount of money misused.

-30- 895

#90295d6800 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (OCT. 22) - Afghan forces have gone on the offensive after resisting intensified guerrilla attacks aimed at capturing the capital Kabul and several key cities, officials said here.

Offensive operations are under way in Kalat, the capital of the southeastern province of Zabul, to recapture "one or two" security posts overrun by mujahedeen guerrillas, General Nabi Azimi said late Sunday.

Gen. Azimi, who is the first deputy defence minister and commander of the main Kabul garrison, told reporters there had been an upsurge of guerrilla activity in at least six provinces, including Kabul.

Troops moved from village to village in the neighbouring province of Logar, clearing them of militants who then tried to reach Kabul but were halted by artillery and aerial attacks, he said.

Government forces also broke guerrilla defences around the eastern city of Jalalabad and have expanded their area of control, the general said, denying mujahedeen claims of capturing security posts in the area.

Security forces successfully fended off attacks against the town of Kohsan,

near the Iranian border, and Baglan in northern Afghanistan and humbled a three-pronged mujahedeen advance about 40 kilometres (25 miles) outside of Kabul.

General Azimi put guerrilla losses in the month-long fighting at at least 1,000 killed, wounded or captured. He said 21 guerrilla field commanders and 16 "foreign military advisors" were among the guerrilla casualties.

He did not give the nationality of the foreign advisors, but repeated allegations that Pakistan's military intelligence was behind the stepped-up guerrilla attacks.

Gen. Azimi declined to give the government's own losses in the latest fighting. But officials admitted privately that security forces too suffered heavy casualties.

Asian diplomats here said the Kabul regime seems to have got over a difficult period and the ongoing fighting should die down with the onset of winter by mid-November.

-30- 2183

#90295d6940 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUXEMBOURG (OCT. 22) - The foreign ministers of the twelve European Community (E.C.) member-states gathered here Monday for a one-day meeting aimed at preparing next week's Community summit in Rome and discussing the controversial matter of a sharp reduction in agricultural subsidies.

The E.C. agriculture ministers have already met three times in a vain attempt to reach agreement on the E.C. Commission recommendation that the subsidies be cut by 30 per cent.

Should the foreign ministers also fail to solve the problem, the heads of state and government will have to take it up at the summit. The issue is threatening seriously to hamper the current negotiations within the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt).

The foreign ministers will also discuss plans for a European economic and monetary union, and steps towards political unification.

-30- 1040

#90295d6970 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT. 22) - Israel and the Soviet Union have failed to reach agreement on a long-term contract for the purchase of Soviet crude oil, a senior Israeli official said here Monday.

Shimon Guilboa, who heads Israel's Petroleum Committee, told reporters on his

return from negotiations in Moscow that the Soviet Union wanted to sell crude oil to Israel along terms dictated by the free market rather than be limited by a long-term contract.

Israel, said Mr. Guilboa, was hoping to get Soviet crude oil in exchange for Israeli products but Moscow was not interested in such a deal.

"The Soviet Union wants foreign currency in exchange," the Israeli oil official said.

Israel's crude oil needs are currently met by purchases from Egypt, Mexico and Norway.

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#90295d7010 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (OCT. 22) - Australia's largest bank, Westpac Banking Corp., Monday opened a joint banking venture with Pan Indonesia Bank (Panin), Australia's first such operation with its neighbour.

Westpac said in a statement that Westpac Panin Bank, which was 85 per cent owned by Westpac and 15 per cent owned by Panin, had opened its first office in Jakarta.

Westpac Panin intended to exploit the estimated 1.6 billion Australian dollar (1.2 billion U.S.) two-way trade between the two nations, it said.

It is expected to specialise in trade finance for both Australia and Indonesian companies, which would have access to Westpac's international network.

"The combination of Panin's extensive Indonesian network of 63 branches and Westpac's presence in 29 countries will enable Westpac Panin to expand its trade-related business in Indonesia and internationally," Westpac said.

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#90295d7020 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 22) - Mounting oil bills and weak exports pushed the Philippines' trade deficit to 2.56 billion dollars in August, a 50 percent jump from the level a year ago, the Central Bank (CB) said here Monday.

Imports reached 7.87 billion dollars at the end of August, with crude oil accounting for 885 million dollars, or 11 percent, a CB statement said.

The import bill from January to August 1989 totalled 6.84 billion dollars while the trade deficit reached 1.71 billion dollars in the same period.

Exports, topped by semiconductors and garments, reached 5.31 billion dollars in August 1990, an annual increase of only 3.4 percent over the 5.13 billion dollars recorded in January to August 1989.

The mounting trade deficit is putting further pressure on the Philippine peso, which has shed 15 percent of its value since the year began and is now officially trading at 25.75 to the dollar.

Philippine banks have stopped giving letters of credit for non-essential imports to ease the drain on dwindling international reserves.

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#90295d7030 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (OCT. 22) - An Asian consortium has bought Australia's Webforge steel manufacturing group for 45 million Singapore dollars (26.3 million U.S.) press reports said Monday.

The Business Times said the takeover of Webforge, Australia's largest and Southeast Asia's only steel grating manufacturer, was led by K.K. Kuah, a Singapore businessman previously involved in shipbuilding.

The consortium included Prudential Asia, the local investment arm of the American Prudential Insurance Co, and the Singapore branch of the Hong Kong Bank.

Neither Mr. Kuah, who is now the Executive Chairman of Webforge, nor Prudential sources were available for comment.

Mr. Kuah was quoted as saying the 15-year old Webforge, which had previously focussed mainly on the Australian home market, would now extend its Asian operations significantly.

Webforge has three factories in Australia, one each in New Zealand and Singapore, and a 50-50 joint venture in Guangzhou, southern China. It was a division of Metro Industries group in Australia until 1987 when the latter was acquired by another Australian company, Parbury Henty Holdings.

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#90295d7140 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 22) - Japanese big businesses are cool toward employing the handicapped, with 81.2 percent of companies with over 1,000 employees failing to meet a government-set ratio of handicapped to able-bodied workers, a Labor Ministry survey report said Monday.

The report said the number of handicapped workers totaled 203,634 as of June 1 this year, accounting for 1.32 percent of the total employees in Japanese

businesses.

It said 47.8 percent of all companies failed to meet the government-set requirement that the handicapped should represent at least 1.6 percent of the total workforce, and 81.2 percent of firms employing more than 1,000 people.

Companies with more than 300 employees have to pay 40,000 yen (320 dollars) per person a month for failing to meet the requirements, it said.

But the report said all 148 government and public corporations cleared their own target of 1.96 percent for desk workers and 2.16 percent for workers on sites.

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#90295d7200 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 22) - A Philippine court Monday sentenced a former aide of Ferdinand Marcos to 20 years in prison for embezzling over two million dollars in public funds shortly before the late ruler was overthrown in 1986.

Luis Tabuena, a former manager of the Manila international airport, was also barred from ever holding public office again by a special anti-graft court, presiding justice Francis Garchitorena said in a radio broadcast.

Mr. Tabuena and his airport assistant Adolfo Peralta, sentenced to 20 years in prison and also banned from government service, were found to have illegally withdrawn 55 million pesos (2.14 million dollars) in airport funds weeks before Mr. Marcos was overthrown in a February 1986 revolt.

Mr. Tabuena was sentenced to a maximum of 20 years in jail on three counts, but under the law he will serve all terms simultaneously.

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#90295d7370 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT. 22) - The World Food Program (WFP) said Monday that it has positioned 19,000 tonnes of wheat at Port Sudan for rapid delivery to help people in areas hit by drought.

The food will be used by 800,000 residents in the Red Sea province of Eastern Sudan, in northern Kordofan and in the Darfur and El Butana regions of western and central Sudan.

This is part of a "preliminary emergency allocation" of 25,000 metric tons that will be supplied for immediate drought relief. The total food aid needs for the coming year is still unknown as full crop assessment will not be completed until the end of November, the WPF said in a press statement.

However, the Sudanese government has requested urgent delivery from abroad of 75,000 metric tons of cereals for relief distribution to some 2.4 million drought-affected people in northern Sudan.

In 1989, rains failed in many parts of Sudan and the U.N. programme supplied food to about one million drought-affected people in the country.

The continuing drought is causing early migration of farmers and herders from their lands in search of water, food, grazing areas and employment.

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#90295d7440 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 22) - The dry cargo market was boosted by further improvements in rates on the main grain, coal and ore routes over the past week, traders said.

The BIFFEX (Baltic International Freight Futures Exchange) index closed up 57 points on the week at 1,274 points.

The purchase of 350,000 tons of U.S. corn and 100,000 tons of sugar by the Soviet Union caused optimism on the market, with the USSR expected to buy an extra sizeable amount of sugar on the world market.

China's purchase of nearly 300,000 tons of U.S. wheat also boosted the tone.

Brokers raised their nominal rate on the U.S. Gulf to Japan grain route to 23.1 dollarston from 22.125 dollars at the end of the previous week. This followed the fixture on the physical market of a 52,000 ton vessel at 22.25 dollarston against 21 dollars the previous week, and unconfirmed rumours that another vessel had received a rate of 23.5 dollars.

The nominal rate on the U.S. North Pacific to Japan route rose to 12.5 dollarston from 10.667 dollars, after a 52,000 tonr received 12 dollarston against 10.5 the previous week on that route and after unconfirmed rumours said that a rate of 12.5 dollars had also been paid.

In the coal sector, the nominal rate for the U.S. East coast to Japan, via South Africa, rose to 14.25 dollarston from 14 dollars. Brokers also raised the nominal rate on the West Africa to Europe ore route, from 5.317 to 5.37 dollarston.

The timecharter sector also fared well, with the nominal rate for a transatlantic round voyage between Europe and the United States rising to 8,350 dollars per day from 7,741.667 dollars at the end of the previous week.

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#90295d7570 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VICTORIA (OCT. 22) - Five African nations have appealed to the United Nations sanctions committee to allow delivery of 120,000 tons of Kuwaiti oil blocked in Yemen under the U.N. embargo against Iraq, press reports in the Seychelles' capital said Monday.

The request was filed by the Seychelles, Mauritius, Comoros, Zimbabwe and Zambia, according to the reports which said the consignment was destined for all five countries.

The oil contract was negotiated before the U.N. Security Council resolution imposing the sanctions came into effect, the reports said .

The letter, made public Monday, also called on the United Nations to ensure that petroleum products were delivered at pre-crisis prices.

The government of Yemen had indicated it would be prepared to release the consignment provided the sanctions committee gave its approval, the reports said.

The United Nations embargo was voted against Iraq to protest its August 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

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#90295d7580 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manila (OCT. 22) - The Philippines and the United States have narrowed down their differences, meaning talks for possible basing rights for American forces could be concluded by January, Foreign Affairs Secretary Raul Manglapus said Monday.

Manglapus, chief Philippine negotiator for the bases, said agreement has been reached on issues that have to do with the U.S. facilities, including environment, trade, veterans, science and technology and health.

''We hope that by the time the second round is held, we will narrow the areas of disagreement,'' Manglapus said. ''We are in the process of putting together technical level talks on the various issues involved in it,'' he added.

U.S. Ambassador Nicholas Platt said over the weekend that talks between Filipino and American negotiators would resume in Manila sometime in November to decide the fate of U.S. military bases.

Manila has served notice it wants full control of Clark Air Force Base and four other smaller installations after the current bases pact expires next September. Continued U.S. access to Subic Naval Base may be allowed, pending the outcome of the talks.

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#90295d7610 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT. 22) - A traffic court on Monday suspended Princess Anne's driver's license for one month and sentenced her to pay a 150-pound (300-dollar) fine after she was stopped for speeding in August, judicial sources said.

The princess, the daughter of Queen Elizabeth, was stopped by police in August near Oxford after being clocked at 77 miles per hour (120 kilometers per hour) and again at 90 mph (140 kph) in a 60 mph (96 kph) zone.

Princess Anne, who was represented by her lawyer, was previously sentenced in 1977 on similar charges.

The members of the royal family do not benefit from any special exemption from traffic offenses.

Viscount Linley, the son of Princess Margaret and an amateur racing driver, has had his license suspended three times over the last several years, and other members of the royal family have been sentenced on numerous occasions for speeding.

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#90295d7630 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (OCT. 22) - U.S. and Soviet presidents George Bush and Mikhail Gorbachev will visit Germany in November, government sources said Monday.

Gorbachev is to arrive for a two-day stay beginning November 4, during which he will sign a treaty on good relations, partnership and cooperation with German Chancellor Helmut Kohl. He will also be Kohl's guest at the latter's home in Oggersheim.

Bush plans to pay a private visit just prior to a session of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe, scheduled for November 19-21 in Paris.

The sources said that Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki will travel to Germany on November 8 for talks with Kohl on a comprehensive friendship treaty. The pact, which is to finalise the current Polish-German border, is expected to be signed and ratified early next year.

The dates of the three visits have not yet been confirmed by the German government.

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#90295d7720 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 22) - Imperial Chemical Industries on Monday announced that it had bought the 50 percent of Tioxide paint pigments which it did not already own for 160 million pounds (312 million dollars).

Tioxide is the world's second biggest manufacturer of pigments for paint and one of the leading manufacturers of titanium dioxide which is used in plastics, paper fibre, ink, beauty products and paint.

The group, which employs 5,000 people, owns factories in Europe, Canada, Australia and South Africa.

ICI bought the stake from the Cookson group to which it will also pay a half-time dividend of 11 million pounds.

Cookson said on Monday that it would use the proceeds to reduce its debt which totalled 575 million pounds last year following several ambitious takeovers.

Cookson said that it would concentrate in future on core activities of ceramics, plastics and metals.

Cookson shares had fallen from 300p in January to 70p on Friday, and on the news lost another five pence to 65p.

ICI shares rose two pence to 825p.

In 1989 Tioxide made a profit of 200 million pounds on sales of 709 million pounds.

The deal must be approved by Cookson shareholders and by the the merger and takeover office of the European Economic Community (EEC).

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#90295d7730 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (OCT. 22) - Egyptian Premier Atef Sidki welcomed in a newspaper interview published Monday that steps are being taken by the U.S. administration towards forgiving Egypt's 7.1 billion dollar debt for military supplies from the United States.

This would allow foreign exchange to be used for investment projects, he told the Cairo daily Al Akhbar, encouraging the development of the Egyptian economy and the creation of new jobs.

U.S. President George Bush had stated in early September that he wanted to cut Egypt's military debt in recognition of its commitment in the Gulf crisis.

Only the U.S. Senate has so far endorsed Bush's initiative while the House of Representatives has yet to approve it.

Sidki also welcomed moves by other members of the international community to write off Egyptian debts, saying this could total about 30 per cent of its total foreign debt of 50 billion dollars.

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#90295d7750 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 22) - The Khmer Rouge has urged the United Nations to put pressure on Phnom Penh to accept Prince Norodom Sihanouk as chairman of the newly formed Supreme National Council (SNC) for Cambodia, Khmer Rouge radio said on Monday.

In a broadcast monitored here the radio quoted Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Samphan, in a personal letter to U.N. secretary general Javier Perez de Cuellar, accusing the Vietnam-backed Hun Sen government of trying to destroy the SNC.

He claimed that Vietnam and Hun Sen had done everything possible to undermine the agreement to end the 12-year war in Cambodia proposed by the five permanent members of the United Nations security council -- Britain, France, United States, Soviet Union and China.

He also alleged that Vietnam had sent 8,000 additional troops into Cambodia to support Phnom Penh soldiers who were stepping up their offensive against the Khmer Rouge and the two other factions.

The Khmer Rouge and other guerrilla forces fighting Phnom Penh have repeatedly disputed Vietnam's announcement that its troops had completely withdrawn from Cambodia in September last year.

Mr. Khieu Samphan warned that until Phnom Penh altered its stance it would be impossible to implement the United Nations-backed peace plan establishing the SNC.

The release of details of the letter, dated October 16, comes only two days after Prince Sihanouk launched an attack against the Phnom Penh government from his home in Beijing.

The prince, the head of one of two non-communist groups allied to the Marxist Khmer Rouge in a guerrilla coalition, accused Phnom Penh of attempting to sabotage the peace process.

Phnom Penh insists that if the prince is to become chairman of the SNC then Hun Sen must be appointed vice-chairman.

Under the U.N. peace plan the SNC would embody Cambodia's sovereignty during a U.N.-administered transition period leading to elections.

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#90295d7760 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PHNOM PENH (OCT. 22) - Cambodia's national ballet troupe returned here Monday from a U.S. tour minus five of its dancers, including star Yim Devi, all of whom defected during the tour, a foreign ministry official said.

The month-long tour started with 36 members and was the first cultural exchange between the United States and Cambodia since 1975. The two countries do not have diplomatic relations.

"We have encouraged travelling by the national ballet, but we regret that some American elements of Khmer origin had encouraged the defections," said Uch Kim An, director of the foreign ministry's political department.

Some of the dancers said Saturday during a stopover in Bangkok that they had been hounded coast-to-coast by Cambodian-Americans they suspected were supporters of guerrilla factions fighting the pro-Vietnam government here.

Four of the dancers decided to stay behind during a stop in Minnesota, while star Yim Devi said she would remain in hopes of furthering her studies.

The United States has a Cambodian refugee population of some 200,000.

Traditional Khmer dance disappeared under the radical Marxist regime of the Khmer Rouge between 1975 and 1979. Its return since then has been welcomed in Cambodia as a sign of a return to normalcy.

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#90295d7770 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT. 22) - The price of North Sea Brent oil fell sharply below the 30 dollars a barrel mark Monday on rising hopes of a peaceful settlement to the Gulf crisis.

It fell to 28.05 dollars for December delivery against 32.50 at Friday's close.

One dealer said "there is no reason to buy" in the current conditions and felt prices could fall to 25 dollars a barrel.

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#90295d7810 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD, Oct 22 (AFP) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has called on parliament here to examine the possibility of letting all French nationals trapped here since the invasion of Kuwait to return home, the official INA news agency reported.

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#90295d7830 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 22) - Soviet oil outpit will continue to fall in 1991, vice president of the Soviet Gosplan state planning committee Artem Troitski told the Communist party paper Pravda on Monday.

Soviet Vice Prime Minister Leonid Abalkin had said in September that the Soviet Union had produced about 610 million tonnes of crude oil last year, representing a reduction of 15 million tons on the figure for 1988.

Soviet economists, quoted by Moscow News, said that output in 1990 would be 585 million tons. In 1989 the Soviet Union exported 127 million tons, and in 1990 exports were expected to total only 100 million tons.

The experts said that exports in 1991 were likely to fall to between 20 million and 25 million tons.

They noted that the Soviet Union was due to receive about 10 million tons of oil from Iraq this year in payment of debts owed by Iraq. Part of this oil would have been supplied to countries in eastern Europe.

Mr. Troitski, who did not give any figures, said that "the situation continues to offer little comfort" for countries in eastern Europe. Moscow News said that they would not receive 70 million tons of oil as had been expected, but between 15 million and 20 million tons less.

Mr. Troitski said that output was falling because heavy investment was needed to boost extraction.

The oil field at Tenguiz in Kazakhstan had not yet been put into operation, and other fields had yielded less oil than expected, he said.

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#90295d7930 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LOURDES, FRANCE (OCT. 22) - Danuta Walesa, wife of the Polish Solidarity leader Lech Walesa, attended a mass celebrated by Polish priests at the grotto pilgrimage site in this southwestern town Monday.

Mrs. Walesa was accompanied by the brother of Father Jerzy Popieluszko, the pro-Solidarity priest murdered in 1984 by agents of the former communist regime.

She was to have made a pilgrimage to Lourdes in August with her husband, who is running for president in the elections in Poland next month, but cancelled the trip because of ill health.

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#90295d7940 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WARSAW (OCT. 22) - Argentine President Carlos Menem arrived here Monday for the first ever official visit to Poland by a Latin American head of state, the official news agency Pap said.

Mr. Menem was greeted at the airport by President Wojciech Jaruzelski and Foreign Minister Krzysztof Skubiszewski. He was to hold talks later with General Jaruzelski and Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki.

On Tuesday, the Argentine president is to meet Solidarity leader Lech Walesa, a candidate in Polish presidential elections next month.

Mr. Menem's two-day visit, part of a tour of European capitals, is aimed at developing ties with Poland, with which Argentina has had diplomatic relations for 68 years. He is travelling with a delegation of about 30 businessmen.

Poland especially wants to buy ferries from Argentina and win fishing rights in the southern Atlantic, according to the government newspaper Rzeczpospolita.

Agreements on protection of investments and scrapping visa requirements between the two countries are to be drawn up before Mr. Menem leaves for Moscow Wednesday, sources here said .

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#90295d8120 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KATHMANDU (OCT. 22) - Prime Minister Krishna Prasad Bhattarai has threatened to resign if the constitutional crisis in Nepal is not resolved soon, a highly placed source here said Monday.

Mr. Bhattarai's warning came in response to ammendments made by the royal palace to the country's new draft constitution and sent to the Council of Ministers -- the interim government led by Mr. Bhattarai -- for approval.

After receiving the latest draft, which would allow the king to retain "sovereign authority and emergency powers," Mr. Bhattarai sent a message to King Birendra saying he could not guarantee its approval by the council, the source said.

Mr. Bhattarai told the king's principal secretary Sunday that he would prefer to be relieved of his office than compromise his 50 years in politics by accepting the undemocratic constitution, the source said.

Mr. Bhattarai will not make any final decision until after a meeting Monday of the Council of Ministers to discuss the constitutional crisis, the source said.

The latest draft prepared by the royal palace attempts to retain all executive legislative and judicial power for the monarchy, as well certain emergency powers.

Under the original draft prepared by the Constitution Recommendation Commission (CRC), the king was made only the head of state to reign but not to rule. In every respect the king would have to follow the advice of the Council of Ministers.

The United Left Front (ULF), an important partner of the present coalition government, has criticised Mr. Bhattarai's threat, saying he could not resign as he was the representative of those who sacrificed their lives in the violent pro-democracy demonstrations between February and April.

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#90295d8290 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MONROVIA (OCT. 22) - Armed groups who turned the Liberian capital Monrovia into a battlefield over the summer engaged in a common endeavour, witnesses say. Between them they looted the place bare.

The worst of the looters have been the government armed forces. With the advantage of being there first they were able to snap up the choicest items, chiefly video and stereo sets.

A second "advantage" for the army was the numerous professional thieves it has in its ranks, many released from prison in the spring by the government, which was seeking to reinforce an army purged of soldiers not belonging to then president Samuel Doe's Krahn tribe.

They frequently burned down houses they ransacked.

Later they were chased out of most of the capital by rebels of Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL), who had to make do with their leavings, nevertheless finding attractive pickings in a few luxury villas.

Here they were able to liberate items of kitchen equipment and materials along with some radios overlooked by the soldiers.

NPFL rebels were mainly drawn to the capital's cars which they looted from parking lots and service stations. Having crossed the country on foot, they wanted to be driven to the presidential palace.

The NPFL fighters, many teenagers, took just a few weeks to wreck almost all the capital's cars and trucks which now litter the side of the roads, decoratedwith camouflage paint, windscreens broken, tyres burst and naturally

without their radios.

The NPFL has justified the looting as "contributions to the war effort" or "goods recovered from the enemy." The leadership made no effort to put a stop to the incidents and some have even set an example, as witnessed by Agence France-Presse journalists.

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#90295d8410 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (OCT. 22) - Indian Minister of External Affairs Inder Kumar Gujral is to make a three-day visit to Sri Lanka next month, officials said here Monday.

A foreign ministry statement said that Mr. Gujral would visit Colombo from November 11 to November 13th at the invitation of his Sri Lankan counterpart Harold Herat.

It said Mr. Gujral, who will be the first minister of the new Indian government of Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh to visit Colombo, will have wide ranging discussions "on all aspects of Indo-Sri Lanka relations."

The Indian minister will also call on President Ranasinghe Premadasa during the visit, the brief statement added.

The conflict in the Tamil-majority northeast between government troops and the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) is expected to be at the centre of his talks here.

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#90295d8420 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VICTORIA (OCT. 22) - Seychelles President France Albert Rene has lashed out at the church after an Anglican priest accused top government officials of embezzlement and called for a multi-party system in the Indian Ocean archipelago.

The president on Sunday challenged Reverend Wavel Ramkalawan to provide evidence after he had alleged in a sermon broadcast over the radio that top government officials were stuffing bank accounts abroad.

Mr. Ramkalawan also declared that there was no democracy in the Seychelles and urged the introduction of multi-party politics.

President Rene questioned the Rev. Ramkalawan's motives, wondering whether he spoke "in the name of God, former President James Mancham or a political party".

President Rene declared: "The day we feel that the people, through the

branches and opinions they express want a multi-party system, we'll have a referendum where the people themselves will decide".

The Roman Catholic and Anglican churches take turns to broadcast their Sunday mass on the national radio and during the past few months, priests of both churches have been critical of the government.

Recent issues of the Roman Catholic monthly magazine, L'Echo des Iles, have run unsigned letters from people complaining about government policies.

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#90295d8450 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 22) - The Asian Development Bank (ADB) and a group of managers led by Daiwa Securities Co., Ltd. will launch a special public bond issue in Tokyo worth 30 billion yen (231.3 million dollars), the bank said here Monday.

The bonds, with a coupon rate of 7.50 per cent per annum payable annually and an issue price at 100.50 per cent, will be offered for subscription from October 31, the regional bank said in a statement.

Proceeds of the bonds, which have a 10-year straight maturity, will be used in ordinary operations of the ADB.

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#90295d8550 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PHNOM PENH (OCT. 22) - Bangkok Airways will open a direct air-link between Bangkok and Phnom Penh this week, a company spokesman said Monday.

The privately owned company will operate flights twice a week on Mondays and Thursdays, using a Dash 8 aircraft with a capacity of 36 passengers.

Bangkok Airways has made several trial flights on the route over the past few months and has now decided to open it as a commercial service to compete with European airlines, industry experts said.

A Belgian charter company, Air Belgium, will begin bi-monthly flights Thursday between Brussels and Phnom Penh using a Boeing 757, the firm Air Kampuchea said.

And French charter firm Air Liberte, a subsidiary of the national flag carrier Air France, will begin weekly flights from Paris to Phnom Penh on October 30 using an Airbus 300600R.

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#90295d8560 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (OCT. 22) - More than 150 prisoners began protests in two Greek penitentiaries over the weekend, in solidarity with convicts in four other prisons who continued to demonstrate against poor living conditions, according to judiciary sources.

Justice Ministry Secretary General Filippos Spyropoulos was to meet Monday with a delegation of prisoners to attempt to find a solution to the problem, according to sources at the ministry.

Convicts at Halkis prison on the island of Euboea and Larissa prison in central Greece began their demonstrations over the weekend in support of prisoners who have been protesting since Thursday in the prisons of Korydallos Alikarnassos, Aghios Stephanos and Komotini.

No serious incidents were reported.

The prisoners' demands included improved food and the liberation and transfer to psychiatric hospitals of drug addicts.

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#90295d8570 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 22) - Twelve common law criminals were executed in Urumqi, the capital of China's northwest Xinjiang region, following a mass trial on October 13, the Xinjiang Daily reported.

Three others were handed life terms during the public court proceedings and four were sentenced to terms ranging from three to 15 years, the newspaper said in its October 16 issue received here Monday.

Three of the 12 executed were convicted of robbing a home and injuring four of its residents with stolen guns and daggers, while a fourth, already in jail, beat to death a fellow inmate, the daily said.

The executions came amid a nationwide crackdown on crime that was launched 15 months ago and has resulted in at least 1,000 executions.

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#90295d8590 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 22) - General Maurice Schmitt, chief of staff of the French armed forces, visited French troops in Saudi Arabia on Monday after holding talks with Saudi and U.S. military officials, French military sources said.

Gen. Schmitt was to tour an air base in north-eastern Saudi Arabia where French warplanes are based and then visit French troops deployed several dozen kilometers (miles) south of the Saudi border with Kuwait, the sources said.

The head of the French armed forces was in Saudi Arabia to assess the "morale and the physical state" of the French soldiers and their equipment, one source said, describing them as "excellent."

The sources said that Gen. Schmitt had held talks in Riyadh on Sunday with General Michel Roquejeoffre, the head of France's Rapid Action Force, and Saudi and U.S. military officials.

The sources declined to say who exactly Gen. Schmitt had met with but one source said "it would be normal to have contacts at the highest levels."

Among the subjects discussed was an "eventual realignment" of French ground forces by the Saudis, the sources said. No decision had been made on shifting the French troops from their current positions and that the move was still only under consideration.

According to French military sources in Paris, French troops could be moved back several kilometers from their present positions.

France has contributed nearly 5,000 troops to the U.S.-led multi-national force assembled in Saudi Arabia after the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Among French troops positioned alongside Saudi and Arab forces in the area around the north-east city of Hafr-al-Batin are more than 1,200 members of the Foreign Legion.

The French force includes some 50 Gazelle combat and Puma transport helicopters, some 210 armored personnel carriers and nearly 50 AMX-10RC tanks.

France has sent more than 500 air force personnel to the country and about 30 warplanes, including Mirage 2000s, Mirage F1-CRs and Jaguar fighter-bombers.

More than a half a dozen French warships have joined the international flotilla crusing the waters around the Arabian Peninsula to enforce the U.N.-imposed economic sanctions against Iraq.

Gen. Schmitt, who arrived on Saturday, is scheduled to leave directly for Paris after visiting French troops in the field, according to the French military sources. He is scheduled to hold talks with his U.S. counterpart, General Colin Powell, in Paris later this week.

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#90295d8610 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (OCT. 22) - The money supply in the area previously known as West Germany, by the M3 measure, rose by five percent in September at an annual rate corrected for seasonal variations, compared with 3.8 percent in August,

provisional figures published by the central Bundesbank on Monday showed.

The figure is within the range of four percent to six percent set by the Bundesbank in 1989 as the monetary target for this year.

But the figure does not take account of developments in the area that was formerly East Germany.

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#90295d8620 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 22) - The British Lucas Industries manufacturer of electrical parts for the aero and auto industries on Monday reported that 1990 profits were 2.2 percent up on the figure for 1989 at 191.2 million pounds (about 362 million dollars) compared with 187.1 million pounds.

Sales rose by 6.8 percent to 2.33 billion pounds from 2.18 billion pounds.

The final dividend was set at 4.9 pence making a total for the year of seven pence against 6.25 pence last time.

The results were in line with the figures forecast by analysts and Lucas shares gained three pence to 117p.

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#90295d8640 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 22) - Britain registered a balance of payments deficit of 845 million pounds (about 1.6 billion dollars) in September, down from 1.13 billion pounds in August, provisional seasonally-adjusted figures showed on Monday.

Analysts here had forecast a September deficit of 1.3 billion pounds.

It was the first time this year that the deficit had been less than one billion pounds.

A treasury official said that the figures showed that "domestic demand pressure is easing in response to tight policy".

He expressed satisfaction that the deficit for the three months to September was 3.8 billion pounds, down from 6.2 billion pounds for the same quarter of last year.

But a spokesman for the opposition Labour Party said that "Britain's trade figures, at 13.6 billion pounds for the first nine months of the year, remain the worst in Europe".

The figures showed that the level of imports fell for the sixth successive month to 9.618 billion pounds from 9.774 billion pounds on a revised basis in August.

Exports rose to 8.773 billion pounds from 8.575 billion pounds in August.

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#90295d8720 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Monte Carlo (OCT. 22) - Mercedes-Benz, the German automaker, announced here Monday it would be investing six billion marks (four billion dollars) in expanding its share of world truck sales.

Helmut Werner, deputy chairman of Mercedes-Benz, said the company, part of the biggest industrial conglomerate in Germany, had raised European sales of trucks over six tons' capacity by eight per cent this year, defying a weak market.

Werner, who is in charge of the Mercedes truck division, was addressing a conference of 300 truck operating companies here.

He said the European transport industry had major growth in prospect, especially because of the liberalisation of eastern Europe. Users would also be demanding greater efficiency, for example in the form of ''just-in-time'' deliveries to factories.

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#90295d8740 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (OCT. 22) - Unibank Denmark will take control of the Hong Kong branch and subsidiary of Den Norske Bank in spring 1991 for an undisclosed sum Unibank said Monday.

Unibank, Denmark's second largest bank, will take control of the Norwegian bank once approval for the deal has been given by Hong Kong, Norwegian and Finnish authorities.

Unibank Denmark is a partner of Scandinavian Banking Partners, a cooperative organization which also includes the Union Bank of Finland and the Swedish S-E Banken as well as Den Norske Bank, Norway's largest.

The Union Bank of Finland uses the Den Norske Bank services in Hong Kong and must endorse the deal. S-E Banken has its own activities in Hong Kong, Unibank said.

"Den Norske Bank's activities in Hong Kong have developed rapidly and profits have reached acceptable levels since the mid 1980s," Unibank said, adding that the bank's balance in September reached 358 million U.S. dollars.

Unibank Denmark will pursue and widen the Norwegian bank's activities in financial trade, stock exchange transactions and Nordic affairs, the communique said.

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#90295d8760 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RABAT (OCT. 22) - South African President Frederik de Klerk arrived here on Monday for his first visit to Morocco and to an Arab country and was due to hold talks with King Hassan.

Prime Minister Azeddine Laraki met him at the airport. A presidential spokesman said earlier the brief stay would be an "unofficial working visit" and the first by a South African head of state.

Mr. de Klerk is en route to an official 48-hour visit to the Netherlands and then Luxembourg. The trip to Holland is the first in more than 40 years by a South African government leader.

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#90295d8800 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT. 22) - The Kenyan government broke off diplomatic relations with Norway Monday in apparent reaction to Norwegian criticism of the human-rights situation in Kenya.

Kenyan Radio said Foreign Minister Wilson Ndolo Ayah announced diplomatic relations had been severed with immediate effect.

It was unclear how Monday's breaking of diplomatic ties might affect Norwegian aid to Kenya, which totaled 25 million dollars last year. Moi abruptly cancelled a tour of Scandinavia in 1989 over criticism of human rights in his country.

Ayah summoned the Norwegian ambassador to the Foreign Ministry Monday and told him to close his country's embassy in Nairobi and leave the country within seven days, Kenyan radio reported.

''The minister said it was regrettable that for some time now the government of Norway had adopted a hostile attitude towards Kenya. He said the Kenyan government had been alarmed to note the readiness with which Norway had given sanctuary to Kenyan criminal fugitives,'' the radio station reported.

''Ayah said recent events had demonstrated beyond any reasonable doubt that the government of Norway has been an accessory to illegal activities by those Kenyan fugitives bent on undermining the stability of the country and its constitutionally-elected government,'' it reported.

The move came after Norwegian protests against human-rights violations in the East African country.

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#90295d8830 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DAMASCUS (OCT. 22) - Syrian President Hafez al-Assad on Monday had talks with Lebanese Prime Minister Selim al-Hoss, following a two-day summit meeting with his Lebanese counterpart Elias Hrawi.

Official Damascus Radio said Mr. Hoss also met Foreign Minister Farouk al-Shara to review the "situation in Lebanon after the ouster (of Christian military leader General Michel Aoun) and future measures to reinforce the process of national unity and establish peace and security in Lebanon."

Mr. Hoss arrived in Damascus earlier in the day.

A spokesman at his Beirut office declined to comment on the reasons for the visit.

But sources in Beirut last week said Mr. Hrawi and Mr. Hoss would be visiting Syria to discuss the dissolution of Lebanese militias and the establishment of a national unity government.

Mr. Hrawi, who Saturday and Sunday had 10 hours of private talks with Mr. Assad, has thanked the Syrian leader for his assistance in ending the 11-month-old rebellion of General Aoun.

The general surrendered on October 13 after a joint Syrian-Lebanese offensive forced him out of his headquarters.

He fled to the nearby French embassy and was granted political asylum in France. But his departure has been delayed by Lebanese government demands that he first be tried here for his mutiny.

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#90295d8860 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 22) - South African Jews Monday slammed a weekend decision by the synod of the Anglican Diocese of Cape Town to support the Palestinians in their right to resist Israeli aggression.

The synod has been accused of taking a "one-sided" decision without "referring to the reality of the situation", South African Zionist Federation chairman Solly Sacks told Agence France-Presse.

South Africa's Chief Rabbi, Cyril Harris, could not be reached for comment,

but was likely to take issue with the synod over the matter, Mr. Sacks said.

Resolutions adopted by the synod Saturday also called on all Anglicans in the Province of the Church of Southern Africa not to go on or organise tours to Palestine before seeking guidance from the Middle East Council of Churches.

Proposer of the motion, the Reverend Terence Lester of Claremont, in the Cape, denied it was a "Jewish-bashing motion" saying it was "an expression of support for the people of Palestine".

Before the synod voted, Archbishop Desmond Tutu read to it a statement by an International Anglican Communion standing committee, which includes the Archbishop of Canterbury, condemning the recent shooting of Palestinians at Temple Mount and calling on Israel to restrain its security forces.

He also called for a moment of silence and said "there are a remarkable number of Jewish people who are in agony about what is happening to the Palestinian people".

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#90295d8900 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 22) - French Prime Minister Michel Rocard Monday called for cooperation between France and Britain on nuclear defense.

In a speech at the government defense institute, the Institut des Hautes Etudes de Defense Nationale, Mr. Rocard said: "Cooperation should be born in the nuclear field between France and Britain. The birth of such a link between our two countries would have a considerable impact."

He added that it would be "risky to allow a feeling to set in in Europe that nuclear arms are to be kept in the corner."

Mr. Rocard's statement came as Britain is on the point of deciding whether to contribute to a French project for a long-range air-to-surface missile which would update France's nuclear defenses, as opposed to a U.S cooperation project.

The missile, known as the ASLP (air-sol longue portee, or air-to-ground long range), would have a range of some 1,500 kilometres (937 miles) and would be carried by the new Rafale fighter-bomber, due to come into service in 1998.

French President Francois Mitterrand on Friday asked Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement to come up with concrete proposals by the end of the year on updating France's independent nuclear strike force, which Mr. Rocard stressed was "not being called into question".

Mr. Rocard noted that France had already begun modernising its submarine fleet

and expressed his preference for "the most flexible systems", such as long-range weapons "capable of striking the aggressor directly, rather than neighbours or allies".

France's short-range ground-to-ground Pluton missiles, to be replaced by new Hades weapons, have been criticised both here and in Germany as their range means that they could virtually only be used against France's eastern neighbour.

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#90295d8930 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MAPUTO (OCT. 22) - The Mozambican parliament, the people's assembly, on Monday voted a constitutional ban on capital punishment.

A total of 172 deputies voted in favour. Only one deputy did not take part in the vote but there were no votes against or formal abstentions.

The same article in the new constitution also outlaws torture and "cruel or inhuman treatment".

One deputy attempted to amend the article so that it would include a constitutional ban on abortion. But she withdrew the proposal after Jorge Rebelo, head of the ruling Frelimo party's ideology department, argued that abortion should be regulated through normal legislation and not through the constitution.

The Roman Catholic church has been pressing throughout the debate on the draft constitution for a ban on abortion. Under the Portuguese penal code that Mozambique inherited abortion is illegal, but the medical profession has been pressing for the law to be changed.

The death penalty was introduced in Mozambique in 1979 as a punishment for security offences. Those executed under security legislation were mainly members of the rebel Mozambique National Resistance (RENAMO).

However, the death penalty had fallen into disuse, and the last execution took place in 1986.

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#90295d8960 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DOHA (OCT. 22) - Qatar and Romania on Monday established diplomatic relations at ambassadorial level, the Qatari News Agency reported.

A communique from the foreign ministry here expressed the hope that "this decision will contribute to the development of international cooperation, world peace and the principles of non-alignment."

Qatar earlier this month established diplomatic ties with two other former East bloc countries, Bulgaria and Czechoslovakia.

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#90295d9120 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LUXEMBOURG (OCT. 22) - The foreign ministers of the European Economic Community (EEC) resolved on Monday to lift diplomatic sanctions against China and Iran, but will maintain them against Syria, French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas announced.

The decision authorizes EEC countries to renew high-level contacts with China and Iran.

The EEC also resolved to undertake "improved diplomatic and economic relations" with Vietnam, with which the Community currently has no ties, according to Mr. Dumas.

However, the body will maintain its sanctions against Syria, which provide for an embargo on arms sales to Damascus and surveillance of Syrian diplomats.

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#90295d9270 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUWAIT CITY (OCT. 22) - Iraqi authorities, anxious to counter Western reports of chaos in Kuwait, have taken a group of Baghdad-based correspondents on a tour of two hospitals in the emirate.

Accompanied by Dr. Abdel Abbas, health director for the Iraqi "province of Kuwait," journalists on Saturday visited a 500-bed maternity hospital where 12 of the facility's 80 incubators were occupied.

An Iraqi physician, Dr. Qais Abdel Satar, said his staff carries out 40 to 50 deliveries a day.

The exiled Kuwaiti government, overthrown by Iraqi troops August 2, has accused Iraqi forces of "systematically looting" Kuwait.

U.S. President George Bush a week ago said he had been informed of Iraqi abuses by Kuwaiti emir Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah -- including instances in which newborns were removed from their incubators and the devices shipped to Baghdad.

Dr. Abdel Abbas insisted that Kuwait's 14 hospitals and 35 clinics had not been affected by the mass exodus of Kuwaiti and foreign medical personnel following the invasion and that no equipment had been sent to Iraq.

The Iraqi government had in fact assigned 1,000 doctors and nurses to Kuwait but plans to withdraw them gradually as the number of patients declines, he added.

At the 295-bed Al Razi orthopedic hospital, only 26 people were treated over the weekend, most of them victims of road accidents.

Dr. Ali Abdel Rahman al-Hawil, one of the few Kuwaiti doctors encountered by correspondents, said he had decided to remain in Kuwait "to help those in need of medical care on the spot."

He said he had noticed "no shortage of medicines at the Al Razi hospital despite the international economic embargo against Iraq."

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#90295d9370 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHARTOUM (OCT. 22) - Sudanese leader Omar Beshir and his Libyan counterpart Moamer Gaddafi met here Monday to discuss cooperation and eventual integration of their countries.

A senior member of the Sudanese government, Salah Eddin Karrar, told the Sudan News Agency (Suna) that both Beshir and Gaddafi called on Sudanese and Libyans to ignore minor differences and go ahead with the steps leading to unity.

According to Karrar there is disagreement on some legislative issues. Another meeting to review the integration progress is scheduled for December in Tripoli.

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#90295d9400 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (OCT. 22) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is to allow several elderly and sick American male hostages to leave the country along with a number of Britons, official Iraqi sources said Monday.

In another development, the U.S. frigate Reasoner and the Australian frigate Adelaide stopped the Iraqi freighter al-Bahar al-Arabi in the Gulf of Oman, the same freighter which was halted by another U.S. warship in the Persian Gulf the day before.

A u.S. navy spokesman in Dahran, Saudi Arabia, said without elaborating that U.S. Navy personnel boarded the ship Monday. Observers suggested the freighter would be forced to return to Iraq.

On Sunday, the U.S. destroyer O'Brien fired warning shots across the bow of the freighter when it ignored a radio order to stop. The ship halted, was searched and found to be carrying steel pipes and wood.

The U.S. navy declared the freighter was contravening the United Nations-ordered boycott of Iraq.

Its captain promised to return to his home port, but continued his journey towards Yemen and was followed during the night by warships who stopped the ship in the Gulf of Oman. Radio Baghdad Monday described the searching of the freighter as a provocation.

Egypt's President Hosny Mubarak met King Fahd of Saudi Arabia Monday in Jeddah. Earlier Mubarak landed at the Saudi airport of Qaysumah in the northeastern part of the country Monday and inspected Egyptian troops on duty nearby.

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#90295d9600 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (OCT 22) - The chairman of Czechoslovakia's much-reduced Communist Party Monday lost his post as a speaker of the nation's parliament after suggesting communists should go on the offensive.

Vasil Mohorita was dismissed from the federal parliamentary praesidium, a panel that chairs parliamentary debates, by a vote of 86 to 31 in a secret ballot by the people's assembly.

Mohorita had earlier said the ''time of national reconciliation'' was over and communist cells should be set up in factories.

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#90295d9740 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT 22) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward Copper 1,387.00 (1,384.00) 1,364.50 (1,353.50) Lead 375.50 (384.50) 379.75 (387.75) Zinc Sh 1,347.50 (1,377.50) 1,343.50 (1,367.00) Tin 6,210.00 (6,195.00) 6,225.00 (6,207.50) Aluminium 1,880.50 (1,967.50) 1,769.00 (1,816.50) Nickel 8,925.00 (8,525.00) 8,562.50 (8,337.50) (Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90295d9830 10/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT 22) - Anarchy and organized crime are on the rise in the Soviet Union and the situation could get worse during the transition period to a market economy, senior Soviet officials warned Monday.

Vladimir Kryuchkov, head of the KGB -- state security -- Vadim Bakatin, minister of the interior, Veniamin Yakovlev, minister of justice, and Alexei Vassiliev, Soviet deputy prosecutor-general, said at a press conference that as Soviet society became more liberal and capitalism emerged faster than the laws could be changed, organized crime was prospering.

"The groups have huge funds, have crossed the borders of the Soviet Union and work hand-in-hand with organized crime in other countries," the KGB head said. "It's not yet a state within a state like the Mafia, but we must make a serious effort to improve the professionalism of our agents to fight this type of crime, whose cruelty and violence surprise us," he said.

The KGB was not adequately prepared to fight organized crime and its agents lacked "professionalism" Mr. Kryuchkov said.

The officials said courts were unable to defend violations of citizens' rights in some republics, notably in the area of unfair dismissals. "Individuals should have access to local courts, then to federal appeal courts, but we do not yet have a two-stage legal system," Mr. Yakovlev said.

Mr. Yakovlev said municipal assemblies in some republics had unfairly dismissed Communist teachers and other civil servants. Mr. Vassiliev said that under the current Soviet legal system these people could not challenge their dismissals or be compensated. He said the prosecutor general could only "signal" the cases to the Soviet Supreme (parliament) in Moscow.

Mr. Kryuchkov said that in some regions of the Ukraine, notably the cities of Ternopol and Lvov "attempts are currently being made to overthrow the regime." He admitted the situation was largely beyond the control of security forces.

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#90295e0007 10/22/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Buenos Aires (OCT. 22) EFE - A bomb exploded outside a British-run hospital in the Argentine capital Monday causing heavy damage but no victims, police said.

They said the bomb was planted on the sidewalk outside the morgue of the Hospital Britanico, and the early morning blast damaged the building, adjacent homes and cars parked nearby.

No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack on the hospital, located less than two km from the parliament building in the central Constitucion neighborhood.

The attack was the latest in a series bombings which began Wednesday with six explosions across the country.

Last week's attacks on two branches of the U.S.-based Citibank, a conservative labor union and a multinational company, were claimed by a group calling itself +Eva Peron+, which opposes the controversial privatization program launched by President Carlos Menem.

The bombs caused extensive damage but no injuries.

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#90295h0004 10/22/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 22) XINHUA) -- THE NATIONAL PETROCHEMICAL OUTPUT VALUE REACHED 32.87 BILLION YUAN (ABOUT SEVEN BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, 6.3 PERCENT MORE THAN IN THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR, ACCORDING TO TODAY'S "ECONOMIC DAILY".

THE INDUSTRY YIELDED 12.3 BILLION YUAN IN PROFITS AND TAX PAYMENT IN THE PERIOD, A 2.01-PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

STATISTICS SHOW THAT THE OUTPUT OF 14 OF THE COUNTRY'S 20 MAJOR PETROCHEMICAL PRODUCTS GREW THIS YEAR.

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#90295h0017 10/22/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

XINING (OCT. 22) XINHUA - CHINA HAS DOUBLED ITS ALUMINUM PRODUCTION, THANKS TO THE SETTING UP OF NEW ALUMINUM BASES IN NORTHWEST CHINA.

THE QINGHAI ALUMINUM WORKS, A KEY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT DURING THE PERIOD OF THE "SEVENTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN FROM 1986 TO 1990", IS NOW CAPABLE OF PRODUCING 100,000 TONS OF ALUMINUM PER YEAR. WHEN EXPANSION WORK IS COMPLETED, THE FACTORY IS EXPECTED TO DOUBLE ITS CAPACITY.

OTHER LARGE-SCALE SMELTERIES SUCH AS THE QINGTONGXIA ALUMINUM WORKS, THE GANSU ALUMINUM WORKS AND THE BAOTOU ALUMINUM WORKS HAVE BEEN SET UP IN GANSU AND INNER MONGOLIA,ON THE UPPER REACHES OF THE YELLOW RIVER.

THE TRADITIONAL ALUMINUM INDUSTRIAL BASES ARE SCATTERED IN NORTHEAST AND THE CENTRAL CHINA. HOWEVER, THE WEST'S RICH HYDROPOWER RESOURCES MAKE IT ECONOMICAL FOR THE INDUSTRY TO DEVELOP THERE.

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#90295h0024 10/22/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CANBERRA (OCT. 22) XINHUA - THE AUSTRALIAN STOCK EXCHANGE PROPOSES TO TIGHTEN ITS LISTING RULES BY REQUIRING THE PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, INCLUDING A CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET, AS PART OF LISTED COMPANIES' HALF-YEARLY FINANCIAL REPORTING.

IT ALSO PROPOSES THAT THE HALF-YEARLY REPORT SHOULD BE SUBJECT TO A LIMITED AUDIT AND THE INTRODUCTION OF CASH FLOW STATEMENTS IN THE HALF-YEARLY AND PRELIMINARY FINAL STATEMENTS, ACCORDING TO A STATEMENT BY THE AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS INFORMATION BUREAU TODAY.

IN ADDITION, IT HAS INVITED COMMENTS ON THE SUGGESTION THAT A REQUIREMENT FOR QUARTERLY REPORTS BE INTRODUCED. QUARTERLY REPORTS HAVE BEEN REQUIRED BY THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION SINCE THE EARLY 1970S.

THE STOCK EXCHANGE HAS RELEASED TWO DISCUSSION PAPERS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT BEFORE 3 DECEMBER 1990. THE FIRST, ENTITLED "THE ROLE OF THE AUSTRALIAN STOCK EXCHANGE AND ITS LISTING RULES," RAISES THE QUESTION OF WHAT SHOULD BE THE APPROPRIATE REGULATORY ROLE OF THE EXCHANGE, WHETHER IT SHOULD BE PRIMARILY CONCERNED WITH PROMOTING AN INFORMED MARKET OR WHETHER IT SHOULD HAVE THE WIDER ROLE OF PROVIDING PROTECTION FOR SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SECOND PAPER, ENTITLED "IMPROVED REPORTING BY LISTED COMPANIES," CONSIDERS THE CONTENT, FREQUENCY AND TIMELINESS OF REPORTING BY LISTED ENTITIES AND MAKES NUMEROUS PROPOSALS FOR CHANGE.

FOLLOWING A REVIEW OF THE COMMENTS ON THE PAPERS, DRAFT LISTING RULES INCORPORATING THE PROPOSED CHANGES WILL BE DRAWN UP AND CIRCULATED FOR FURTHER COMMENT WITH THE GOAL OF HAVING THEM SETTLED AND IN FORCE BY SEPTEMBER 199L, THE OVERSEAS INFORMATION BUREAU SAID.

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#90295h0027 10/22/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (OCT. 22) XINHUA - THE NIGERIAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS LIMITED (NITEL) PLANS TO INSTALL 510,000 NEW TELEPHONE LINES PRIOR TO NOVEMBER NEXT YEAR AS PART OF ITS EXPANSION PROGRAM TO BOOST THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS IN THE COUNTRY.

THE NEW TELEPHONE EXPANSION PROJECT WOULD BRING THIS COUNTRY'S TOTAL SUBSCRIBED TELEPHONE CAPACITY TO 895,000 LINES, NIGERIAN MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS OLAWALE IGE ANNOUNCED HERE FRIDAY.

UNDER THE PLAN, LAGOS ZONE WILL GET 210,000 NEW LINES, WITH NORTHWEST ZONE 60,000, NORTHEAST ZONE 65,000, SOUTHEAST ZONE 100,000 AND SOUTHWEST 75,000 NEW LINES, THE MINISTER SAID.

HE SAID THAT APART FROM THE PROPOSED NEW 510,000 LINES, NITEL IS ALSO PREPARING SPECIFICATIONS AND CONSIDERING BIDS FOR FOUR OTHER TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROJECTS.

IN ORDER TO SPEED UP THE EXPANSION AND IMPROVE THE FACILITIES FOR INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS IN NIGERIA, THE MINISTRY AND NITEL HAVE ALSO PLANNED TO INSTALL TWO FULLY DIGITALIZED A-STANDARD EARTH STATIONS AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF 60 DIRECT ACCESS INCOMING CIRCUITS FROM LONDON.

THE NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT HAS GAINED A FRESH 225 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS LOAN FROM THE WORLD BANK TO FINANCE THE EXPANSION PROJECTS.

BESIDES, NIGERIA, WHICH HAS WON FINANCIAL COMMITMENT FROM SOUTH KOREA, IS ALMOST CONCLUDING AGREEMENTS WITH TURKEY, JAPAN, BRAZIL AND GERMANY ON THE JOINT VENTURES AND LOAN AIDS TO ACCELERATE THE EXPANSION PROJECTS. ENDITEM
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#90295h0044 10/22/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
ISTANBUL (OCT. 22) XINHUA - TURKEY'S FIRST SATELLITE IS EXPECTED TO ENTER THE EARTH'S ORBIT IN 1993, THE "DAILY NEWS" REPORTED TODAY.

A CONTRACT FOR BUILDING TURKEY'S FIRST TWO COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITES WILL BE SIGNED BY THE STATE-OWNED POST, TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE COMPANY AND AEROSPATIALE OF FRANCE ON TUESDAY.

THE CONTRACT, WORTH 310 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, WILL COVER THE MANUFACTURING AND LAUNCHING OF TWO COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITES, AND CONSTRUCTION OF LAND-BASED SYSTEMS FOR SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS, SAID THE PAPER.

BUT THE PAPER DID NOT SAY WHEN THE SECOND SATELLITE WILL BE SENT IN TO THE SPACE.

THE FIRST SATELLITE, REGARDED AS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT TELECOMMUNICATION PROJECTS IN TURKEY, WILL BE USED TO BEAM TURKISH TELEVISION PROGRAMS ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

THE PROJECT WILL PROVIDE 16 CHANNELS FOR TELEVISION, RADIO AND DATA TRANSMISSION, TELEX, FAX, TELEPHONE AND OTHER COMMUNICATION AND BROADCASTING OPPORTUNITIES, SAID THE PAPER.

IT WILL IMPROVE COMMUNICATIONS IN EASTERN AND SOUTHEASTERN REGIONS OF THE COUNTRY, WHERE THE TERRAIN IS ROUGH.

THE PAPER ALSO SAID THAT BESIDES THE AEROSPATIALE, THE CONSORTIUM TO BUILD THE SATELLITE INCLUDES MBB OF GERMANY, ALCATEL ESPACE AND EXECORP OF FRANCE AND TURKEY'S TELETAS COMPANIES.

THE CONSORTIUM WILL SET UP A LAND COMMUNICATIONS CENTER FOR THE SATELLITE AS WELL AS MANUFACTURE THE SPACE VEHICLE.

THE SATELLITE WILL BE LAUNCHED BY THE EUROPEAN ARIANE ROCKET FROM A LAUNCHING PAD IN THE PACIFIC OCEAN, SAID THE PAPER.

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#90295h0097 10/22/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
GUANGZHOU (OCT. 22) XINHUA - THE GUANGZHOU PEUGEOT CORPORATION, A SINO-FRENCH CAR JOINT VENTURE IN GUANGZHOU, CAPITAL OF GUANGDONG PROVINCE, SIGNED AN AGREEMENT TODAY WITH BANQUE NATINALE DE PARIS ON A LOAN OF 15 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FROM THE FRENCH BANK.

WITH THE LOAN, THE CORPORATION INTENDS TO EXPAND ITS ANNUAL PRODUCTION CAPACITY TO 30,000 CARS A YEAR IN 1992 AND SPEED UP THE EFFORTS TO MAKE MORE CAR PARTS LOCALLY.

THE LOAN WILL BE USED TO IMPORT EQUIPMENT FOR TWO WORKSHOPS AND FOR OTHER EXPANSION PROJECTS.

A LOCAL OFFICIAL SAID THAT THE LOAN IS THE LARGEST FINANCIAL DEAL BETWEEN CHINA AND FRANCE THIS YEAR.

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#90295k0010 10/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 22) KYODO - OVERALL WHOLESALE PRICES EDGED DOWN 0.1 PERCENT IN THE FIRST 10 DAYS OF OCTOBER FROM THE PREVIOUS 10 DAYS, THE BANK OF JAPAN SAID IN A PRELIMINARY REPORT MONDAY.

AN OFFICIAL AT THE CENTRAL BANK ATTRIBUTED THE MODERATE FALL IN OVERALL WHOLESALE PRICES MAINLY TO THE YEN'S SHARP ADVANCE AGAINST THE U.S. DOLLAR IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKETS.

WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTS ROSE 1.0 PERCENT IN EARLY OCTOBER FROM LATE SEPTEMBER BUT DOMESTIC WHOLESALE PRICES WERE UNCHANGED.

WHOLESALE PRICES OF EXPORTS WERE DOWN 0.5 PERCENT.

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#90295k0019 10/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
BANGKOK (OCT. 22) KYODO - MORE THAN 200 SCHOLARS AND LAWYERS ARE OPPOSING A PRESS BILL THEY SAY WOULD INFRINGE ON THE PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO KNOW.

SOME 120 LECTURERS AND PROFESSORS OF JOURNALISM AND 112 LAWYERS SIGNED AN OPEN LETTER OPPOSING THE BILL PUBLISHED MONDAY, ADDING MOMENTUM TO A LONG CAMPAIGN BY THE REPORTERS ASSOCIATION OF THAILAND FOR FREEDOM OF THE PRESS.

THE CAMPAIGN WON A MAJOR VICTORY LAST WEEK WHEN THE GOVERNMENT REVOKED DECREE 42, GIVING THE GOVERNMENT THE AUTHORITY TO CLOSE NEWSPAPERS WITHOUT TRIAL, WHICH HAD BEEN IN FORCE SINCE 1976.

HOWEVER, THE NEW BILL CONTAINS A SIMILAR PROVISION. THE OPEN LETTER, PUBLISHED

IN SEVERAL DAILY NEWSPAPERS, IS ADDRESSED TO PRIME MINISTER CHATICHAI CHOONHAVAN, ALL CABINET MEMBERS, THE PARLIAMENTARY SPEAKER AND DEPUTY, AND OTHER CONCERNED PARLIAMENTARIANS.

THE LETTER SAID THE BILL SHOULD BE REVISED TO ALLOW NEWSPAPERS TO PUBLISH FREELY WITHOUT LICENSES, TO GIVE THE COURTS, RATHER THAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, THE POWER TO CLOSE DOWN NEWSPAPERS, AND TO STRIP GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS OF THE POWER TO ORDER NEWSPAPERS TO ''CORRECT'' ARTICLES ABOUT GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS. IT ALSO SAID THE SECTION OF THE BILL GIVING OFFICIALS THE AUTHORITY TO BAN FOREIGN PUBLICATIONS IS AMBIGUOUS AND GIVES THE OFFICIALS TOO MUCH POWER.

CHATICHAI HAS PROMISED TO WITHDRAW THE NEW PRESS BILL WHEN PARLIAMENT GOES BACK INTO SESSION BUT SEVERAL CABINET MEMBERS HAVE EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ABOUT ALLOWING FULL FREEDOM OF THE PRESS.

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HONG KONG (OCT. 22) KYODO - A GROUP OF ABOUT 30 CHINESE RESIDENTS OF HONG KONG STAGED A DEMONSTRATION MONDAY PROTESTING JAPANESE CLAIMS TO DISPUTED ISLANDS IN THE EAST CHINA SEA.

THEY LATER MARCHED TO THE JAPANESE CONSULATE GENERAL WHERE THEY HANDED OVER A LETTER CALLING FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE JAPANESE FLAG FROM THE ISLANDS.

THE PROTEST FOLLOWED AN INCIDENT SUNDAY WHEN JAPANESE PATROL BOATS PREVENTED TWO TAIWANESE FISHING BOATS FROM APPROACHING THE ISLANDS.

THE UNINHABITED GROUP OF FIVE ISLETS AND THREE REEFS, KNOWN IN JAPAN AS THE SENKAKU ISLANDS AND IN CHINA AS THE DIAOYUTAI ISLANDS, ARE CLAIMED BY JAPAN, TAIWAN, AND CHINA.

THE HONG KONG DEMONSTRATORS BEGAN MONDAY'S PROTEST WITH A SIT-IN AT A PARK IN THE TERRITORY'S BUSY CENTRAL DISTRICT, A BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL CENTER.

THEY HELD BANNERS CRITICIZING WHAT THEY SEE AS JAPANESE AGGRESSION AND REFERRING TO THE 1937 NANJING MASSACRE, WHICH OCCURRED DURING THE JAPANESE INVASION OF CHINA.

ON SUNDAY, THE SAME GROUP PASTED ANTI-JAPANESE POSTERS OUTSIDE JAPANESE DEPARTMENT STORES IN THE TERRITORY'S CAUSEWAY BAY AREA.

THEY ARE ASSOCIATED WITH 15 CIVIC GROUPS, INCLUDING EDUCATIONAL, RELIGIOUS, AND TRADE UNION ORGANIZATIONS, WHICH ISSUED A JOINT STATEMENT SUNDAY CONDEMNING THE JAPANESE ACTION AGAINST THE TAIWANESE FISHING BOATS.

REPORTS REACHING HONG KONG FROM TAIPEI ON SUNDAY SAID A GROUP OF TAIWANESE REPORTERS AND OFFICIALS ON ONE OF THE FISHING BOATS TRIED TO LAND ON ONE OF

THE ISLANDS, UOTSURISHIMA WHERE THEY INTENDED TO PLACE A TORCH TO SYMBOLIZE TAIWAN'S CLAIM TO SOVEREIGNTY.

A JAPANESE RIGHT-WING GROUP BUILT A BEACON ON UOTSURISHIMA IN 1978 AND JAPAN'S MARITIME SAFETY AGENCY IS STUDYING AUTHORIZING IT AS A NAVIGATION AID FOR SHIPPING.

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#90295k0025 10/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (OCT. 22) KYODO - SHARP CORP. SAID MONDAY IT HAS SET UP A NEW SALES FIRM IN MILAN IN A JOINT VENTURE WITH ITS LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE, MELCHIONI S.P.A., TO STRENGTHEN ITS SALES AND MARKETING CAPABILITY IN ITALY.

THE ITALIAN SALES CONCERN, SHARP ELECTRONICS (ITALIA) S.P.A., WILL BEGIN SALES OF CONSUMER ELECTRONICS PRODUCTS NOVEMBER 1, SHARP OFFICIALS SAID.

THE COMPANY, TO BE CAPITALIZED AT 2 BILLION LIRA, WILL BE 60 PERCENT OWNED BY SHARP, AND THE REMAINDER BY MELCHIONI, THE OFFICIALS SAID. IT WILL BE SHARP'S EIGHTH SALES BASE IN THE 12-NATION EUROPEAN COMMUNITY.

FIRST YEAR SALES ARE PROJECTED AT ABOUT 12 BILLION YEN, THEY ADDED.

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#90295k0054 10/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (OCT. 22) KYODO - YUASA BATTERY CO. SAID MONDAY IT WILL SET UP A LICENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT FIRM IN MONTREAL JOINTLY WITH LOCAL ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY HYDRO-QUEBEC.

THE PLANNED FIRM, ACEP INC., WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 2.94 MILLION CANADIAN DOLLARS (ABOUT 340 MILLION YEN) EQUALLY INVESTED BY THE TWO COMPANIES, ACCORDING TO YUASA OFFICIALS.

THE NEW FIRM WILL CONTROL TECHNOLOGY AND LICENSES FOR ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST ADVANCED BATTERIES. YUASA CURRENTLY LEADS ITS COMPETITORS IN THIS FIELD.

THE BATTERY, WHICH IS SHAPED IN THE FORM OF A FILM 0.1 MILLIMETER THICK, IS EXPECTED TO BE WIDELY USED IN THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY, THEY SAID.

THE TWO COMPANIES ALSO PLAN TO SET UP TWO JOINT PRODUCTION PLANTS. ONE SUCH PLANT WILL BE ESTABLISHED IN JAPAN BY THE END OF 1993 AND ANOTHER IS PLANNED LATER IN QUEBEC, THEY ADDED.

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TOKYO (OCT. 22) KYODO - THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE IS CONSIDERING PERMITTING

THREE U.S. SECURITIES COMPANIES TO DO BANKING BUSINESS IN JAPAN AS EARLY AS NOVEMBER, MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

THE THREE FIRMS ARE SALOMON BROTHERS, GOLDMAN SACHS, AND MORGAN STANLEY, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THEY HAVE ALREADY APPLIED TO THE MINISTRY FOR APPROVAL OF THEIR PLANS TO UPGRADE THE TOKYO REPRESENTATIVE OFFICES OF THEIR EUROPEAN BANKING SUBSIDIARIES TO BRANCHES.

AFTER OBTAINING APPROVAL, THEY PLAN TO ENGAGE INITIALLY IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE BUSINESS AS EARLY AS NEXT SPRING.

A DOMESTIC LAW CONCERNING FOREIGN SECURITIES COMPANIES REQUIRES THEM TO LIMIT THEIR CAPITAL PARTICIPATION IN SUBSIDIARIES TO 50 PERCENT OR LESS IN ESTABLISHING BANKING AND SECURITIES BRANCHES IN JAPAN.

HENCE, THE THREE U.S. SECURITIES GIANTS ARE CONSIDERING REDUCING THEIR STAKES IN THEIR EUROPEAN UNITS TO 50 PERCENT OR LESS BY SEEKING CAPITAL PARTICIPATION FROM AMERICAN BUSINESS CORPORATIONS.

IN ADDITION TO THE THREE, MERRILL LYNCH IS MAKING PREPARATIONS TO APPLY FOR MOF APPROVAL TO SET UP A BANKING BRANCH IN TOKYO.

INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE FOUR MAJOR U.S. BROKERAGES WILL LAUNCH BANKING BUSINESS IN JAPAN NEXT SPRING, ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY SOURCES.

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#90295k0066 10/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 22) KYODO - THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (ADB) HAS LAUNCHED IN THE SWISS CAPITAL MARKET A 100 MILLION SWISS FRANC (ABOUT 78.2 MILLION DOLLAR) PUBLIC BOND ISSUE THROUGH AN UNDERWRITING SYNDICATE LED BY THE SWISS BANK CORP., WITH CREDIT SUISSE AND UNION BANK OF SWITZERLAND AS CO-MANAGERS, THE BANK SAID MONDAY.

THE BANK SAID THE LAUNCHING OF THE 26TH PUBLIC BOND ISSUE IN SWITZERLAND ON OCTOBER 18 BRINGS THE TOTAL OF BANK BORROWINGS IN THE SWISS MARKET TO 2,618 MILLION SWISS FRANCS.

THE BANK SAID THE ISSUE HAS A 10-YEAR MATURITY CALLABLE AT THE END OF YEAR EIGHT AT 102 PERCENT AND AT THE END OF YEAR NINE AT 101 PERCENT.

THE ISSUE BEARS A COUPON OF 7.375 PERCENT PER YEAR, PAYABLE ANNUALLY, PRICED AT 102 PERCENT, THE BANK SAID.

THE BONDS WILL BE OFFERED FOR SUBSCRIPTION FROM OCTOBER 25 AND WILL BE LISTED ON THE ZURICH, BASEL, AND GENEVA STOCK EXCHANGES, THE BANK SAID.

THE PROCEEDS OF THE ISSUE WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE BANK'S ORDINARY CAPITAL RESOURCES AND USED IN ITS ORDINARY OPERATIONS.

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#90295k0067 10/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 22) KYODO - JAPAN AND THE PHILIPPINES SIGNED ON MONDAY AN AGREEMENT RESCHEDULING MANILA'S 781 MILLION DOLLARS IN LOANS DUE BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 1988 AND JUNE 30, 1991, PAVING THE WAY FOR THE COMPLETION OF A RESTRUCTURING AGREEMENT WITH ALL 14 OF THE PHILIPPINES' OFFICIAL CREDITOR COUNTRIES.

THE AMOUNT COVERED IN MONDAY'S AGREEMENT COMES TO 49.5 PERCENT OF TOTAL PHILIPPINE DEBTS TO OFFICIAL CREDITOR COUNTRIES, ALSO KNOWN AS THE PARIS CLUB. THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE PARIS CLUB STARTED IN SEPTEMBER 1988.

JAPANESE EMBASSY MINISTER NOBUYASU ABE AND PHILIPPINE FINANCE SECRETARY JESUS ESTANISLAO SIGNED THE BILATERAL RESCHEDULING PACT.

JAPAN, THE COUNTRY'S BIGGEST OFFICIAL CREDITOR, AGREED TO RESTRUCTURE LOANS FROM THE OVERSEAS ECONOMIC COOPERATION FUND (OECF) AT 3.2 PERCENT. RESTRUCTURED OECF DEBT AMOUNTED TO 49.675 BILLION YEN.

THE JAPAN EXPORT-IMPORT BANK LOANS TO THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT NOW CARRY 5.125 PERCENT YIELDS WHILE ITS LOANS TO THE DEVELOPMENT BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE NATIONAL POWER CORP. HAVE RATES OF 8 PERCENT. TOTAL RESTRUCTURED EX-IM BANK LOANS AMOUNT TO 20.791 BILLION YEN.

THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY OF JAPAN HAS RESTRUCTURED ITS EXPOSURE TO THE COUNTRY AT 7.7 PERCENT YIELDS.

MANILA'S OTHER OFFICIAL CREDITOR COUNTRIES ARE THE UNITED STATES, GERMANY, FRANCE, CANADA, BRITAIN, ITALY, SWITZERLAND, THE NETHERLANDS, DENMARK, FINLAND AUSTRIA, BELGIUM, AND SPAIN.

THE PHILIPPINE MULTIYEAR RESTRUCTURING AGREEMENT WITH THE PARIS CLUB STIPULATES THAT 100 PERCENT OF THE PRINCIPAL AND 75 PERCENT OF INTEREST WILL HAVE A REPAYMENT PERIOD OF 10 YEARS, INCLUDING 6.5 YEARS OF GRACE.

TEN PERCENT OF THE REMAINING 25 PERCENT OF THE LOAN INTEREST SHALL BE DUE ON JUNE 30, 1991, WITH THE REST PAYABLE JUNE 30, 1992.

OF THE 1.576 BILLION DOLLARS THE PARIS CLUB RESTRUCTURED, 422.65 MILLION DOLLARS REPRESENTS ARREARS WHILE 1.15 BILLION DOLLARS REPRESENTS CONSOLIDATED PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYMENTS.

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#90295k0068 10/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
SYDNEY (OCT. 22) KYODO - MORE THAN 10 AUSTRALIAN "GREENPEACE" ENVIRONMENTALISTS ON MONDAY DISTRIBUTED HANDBILLS CRITICIZING JAPAN FOR ITS INVESTMENT IN AUSTRALIAN REAL ESTATE, WHICH HAS GROWN RAPIDLY IN RECENT YEARS.

THE OCCASION WAS A JOINT MEETING OF THE JAPAN-AUSTRALIA AND AUSTRALIA-JAPAN BUSINESS COOPERATION COMMITTEES, WHICH GOT UNDER WAY IN ADELAIDE, THE CAPITAL OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA, THE SAME DAY.

THE ACTIVISTS CONTENDED THAT THE ACCEPTANCE OF JAPANESE INVESTMENTS AMOUNTS TO A BETRAYAL OF THEIR NATION. THEY VOICED STRONG OBJECTION TO THE MULTI FUNCTION POLIS, A SCHEME TO CONSTRUCT A FUTURISTIC CITY IN ADELAIDE AS A JOINT VENTURE BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS.

THE PRIVATE-LEVEL MEETING OF BUSINESS LEADERS WILL RUN UNTIL TUESDAY, WITH EISHIRO SAITO, CHAIRMAN OF THE FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS (KEIDANREN), AND 330 OTHER BUSINESSMEN TAKING PART FROM JAPAN.

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#90295k0074 10/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 22) KYODO - THE GOVERNMENT, FACED WITH A LINGERING SLUMP IN NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP.'S STOCK, IS NOW STRUGGLING TO FIND WAYS TO SELL NTT SHARES WITHOUT CAUSING A TURMOIL IN THE STOCK MARKET.

THE ISSUE REVOLVES AROUND THE FINANCE AND POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS MINISTRIES AND NTT ITSELF, WHICH REMAIN WIDELY APART ON HOW TO SELL GOVERNMENT-HELD SHARES IN NTT.

THE FINANCE MINISTRY HAS SOLD NTT SHARES THREE TIMES TO DATE UNDER THE GOVERNMENT'S PRIVATIZATION PROGRAM, OFFERING 1.95 MILLION SHARES IN BOTH FEBRUARY AND NOVEMBER 1987 AND 1.5 MILLION SHARES IN OCTOBER 1988.

BUT THE SAGGING STOCK PRICE FORCED THE MINISTRY TO SKIP ITS FOURTH SALE OF NTT SHARES IN FISCAL 1989 AND 1990, PROCEEDS FROM WHICH WERE TO BE SET ASIDE FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND REDEMPTIONS OF GOVERNMENT BONDS.

THE FINANCE MINISTRY, NOW DRAFTING A FISCAL 1991 BUDGET, WANTS TO SELL NTT SHARES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO HELP FINANCE THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR'S BUDGET. AT PRESENT, IT OWNS FIVE MILLION NTT SHARES.

AMONG MEASURES BEING DISCUSSED IN THE MINISTRY ARE THE MAPPING OUT OF A FORMULA UNDER WHICH IT CAN SELL NTT SHARES REGARDLESS OF MARKET CONDITIONS AND THE REVIEWING OF A BAN ON FOREIGN OWNERSHIP OF NTT SHARES.

NTT SUPPORTS FOREIGN OWNERSHIP, BUT THE POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY STRONGLY OPPOSES ALLOWING FOREIGN INVESTORS TO HOLD NTT SHARES, ARGUING THAT

IT WOULD ALLOW FOREIGN CONTROL OF THE FORMER GOVERNMENT COMMUNICATIONS MONOPOLY.

THE POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY, INSTEAD, HAS PRESSED ITS PLANS TO PERMIT NTT TO PURCHASE GOVERNMENT-HELD SHARES AT THE FACE VALUE OF 50,000 YEN PER SHARE SO THAT NTT CAN WRITE THEM OF AND REDUCE ITS CAPITAL.

BUT THE PLANS HAVE COME UNDER FIRE FROM THE FINANCE MINISTRY, WHICH HAS INSISTED THAT SUCH A FACE-VALUE SALE WILL REPRESENT A BARGAIN OF NATIONAL ASSETS.

THE MINISTRY SOLD NTT SHARES AT 1.19 MILLION YEN PER SHARE IN ITS FIRST OFFERING, AT 2.55 MILLION YEN IN ITS SECOND TRANCHE AND 1.9 MILLION YEN IN THE THIRD OFFERING.

WITH THE FINANCE MINISTRY IN THE PROCESS OF BUDGET-DRAFTING WORK, TO BE FINISHED BY EARLY DECEMBER, GOVERNMENT AND NTT OFFICIALS MUST REACH SOME CONCLUSION BY THE END OF NOVEMBER. BUT MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAY NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE ROUGH GOING.

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#90295k0076 10/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 22) KYODO - A JAPANESE GOVERNMENT RESEARCH TEAM HAS DEVELOPED AN ELECTRON MICROSCOPE WITH THE WORLD'S HIGHEST RESOLVING POWER, THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AGENCY ANNOUNCED MONDAY.

A NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN INORGANIC MATERIALS RESEARCH TEAM HAS SUCCEEDED IN OBTAINING IMAGES OF OXYGEN AND ZIRCONIUM ATOMS CONTAINED IN THIN CRYSTALS OF ZIRCONIA POWDER USING THE MICROSCOPE.

SENIOR RESEARCHERS SAID THAT CONVENTIONAL ELECTRON MICROSCOPES HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO PRODUCE AN IMAGE OF VERY LIGHT ATOMS LIKE THOSE OF OXYGEN.

THE NEWLY DEVELOPED MICROSCOPE HAS 1.5 MILLION (DIRECT NEGATIVE FILM) MAGNIFICATIONS AND AN ACCELERATING VOLTAGE OF 1,300 KILOVOLTS (AN IMPORTANT FACTOR THAT DETERMINES THE VELOCITY OF ELECTRON BEAMS), COMPARED WITH UP TO ABOUT ONE MILLION MAGNIFICATIONS AND 1,000 KILOVOLTS IN THE EXISTING HIGHEST RESOLUTION ELECTRON MICROSCOPES, DEVELOPED SEPARATELY IN THE EARLY 1980S BY TOKYO INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (TIT) AND UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA RESEARCH TEAMS.

THE RESEARCHERS SAID THERE WAS A DISTANCE OF 1.7 ANGSTROMS (ONE ANGSTROM BEING A 100-MILLIONTH OF A CENTIMETER) BETWEEN THE ZIRCONIUM AND OXYGEN ATOMS, WHOSE IMAGES WERE OBTAINED IN A RECENT OBSERVATION WITH THE NEW MICROSCOPE.

HE SAID IT WAS CONFIRMED BY COMPUTER ANALYSIS OF THE IMAGES THAT THE NEWLY DEVELOPED MICROSCOPE HAS A RESOLUTION OF ABOUT 1 ANGSTROM, COMPARED WITH A

RESOLUTION OF ABOUT 1.6 ANGSTROMS OF THE TIT AND UC MICROSCOPES.

THE RESEARCHERS SAID THEIR TEAM WOULD LIKE TO TRY TO TRACE THE HITHERTO UNKNOWN STRUCTURE OF SUPERCONDUCTORS, OF WHICH OXYGEN IS AN IMPORTANT CONSTITUENT, USING THE NEW MICROSCOPE.

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#90295k0077 10/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 22) KYODO - FOUR JAPANESE AND 45 FOREIGN AIRLINES APPLIED MONDAY FOR A 7 PERCENT ACROSS-THE-BOARD INCREASE IN AIR FARES AND CARGO RATES FROM JAPAN EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

JAPAN AIRLINES AND ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS WERE AMONG THE COMPANIES FILING APPLICATIONS WITH THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY.

THE MINISTRY IS EXPECTED TO HOLD THE INCREASE TO 2-4 PERCENT IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE AIRLINES, AND WILL ENCOURAGE THEM TO EXPAND DISCOUNTS FOR LARGE-LOT CUSTOMERS, THE SOURCES SAID.

THIS WOULD BE THE FIRST FARE INCREASE IN JAPAN SINCE AUGUST 1982, WHEN FARES AND RATES WERE RAISED BY 5 PERCENT FOR FLIGHTS TO ASIA AND EUROPE AND BY 9 PERCENT ON PACIFIC OCEAN ROUTES.

MONDAY'S INCREASE REQUEST WAS DECIDED UPON FOLLOWING AN AGREEMENT BY THE INTERNATIONAL AIR TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION (IATA) EARLIER THIS MONTH IN GENEVA.

IN THE WAKE OF SHARP RISES IN FUEL COSTS DUE TO THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS, IATA AGREED TO RAISE INTERNATIONAL AIRFARES AROUND THE WORLD BY 5-8 PERCENT. FARES IN SOME AREAS ROSE OCTOBER 1.

FARES FROM JAPAN HAVE NOT INCREASED SO FAR, AS JAPANESE AIRLINES WANTED TO WATCH THE MOVEMENT OF OIL PRICES BEFORE MAKING A DECISION.

THE INCREASE REQUEST WAS DECIDED UPON UNDER STRONG PRESSURE FROM THE FOREIGN AIRLINES AS WELL AS ON THE EXPECTATION THAT THE CRISIS WILL NOT BE SOLVED SOON ACCORDING TO THE SOURCES.

MEANWHILE, IATA HAS SLATED ANOTHER MEETING LATER THIS MONTH TO DISCUSS ANOTHER RAISE IN FARES, SAYING THAT RISING FUEL COSTS ARE STILL A HEAVY BURDEN ON AIRLINES, THE SOURCES ADDED.

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#90295k0080 10/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 22) KYODO - JAPAN'S SAISON GROUP, A MAJOR BUSINESS GROUP CENTERED ON DEPARTMENT AND SUPERMARKET ENTERPRISES, MONDAY ENTERED INTO A BUSINESS TIE-UP WITH BRITAIN'S THOMAS COOK GROUP, SAISON ANNOUNCED MONDAY.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID THE SAISON GROUP'S TRAVEL ARM, VIVRE INTERNATIONAL INC., SIGNED A BASIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE LARGEST BRITISH TRAVEL COMPANY IN LONDON THE SAME DAY.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT, THOMAS COOK WILL ACQUIRE 10 PERCENT OF VIVRE'S TOTAL ISSUED SHARES AND SET UP A JOINT VENTURE WITH VIVRE.

VIVRE WILL BECOME A MEMBER OF THOMAS COOK'S WORLDWIDE MEMBERSHIP NETWORK AND WILL BE ABLE TO UTILIZE THOMAS COOK'S UNITS AND SYSTEMS, ACCORDING TO SAISON.

FORMAL COOPERATION CONTRACTS WILL BE SIGNED EARLY IN 1991. ''WHILE THIS ALLIANCE WILL BE A GREAT STEP FOR SAISON IN FORMING A TOTAL TRAVEL INDUSTRY CONCEPT, IT WILL ALLOW THOMAS COOK TO REALIZE ONE OF ITS WISHES -- TO BUILD A STRONG BASIS FOR ITS BUSINESS ACTIVITIES IN EAST ASIA, ESPECIALLY JAPAN,'' SAISON SAID.

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#90295k0085 10/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KOBE (OCT. 22) KYODO - ABOUT 430 KOREAN RESIDENTS IN JAPAN HELD A RALLY ABOARD A FERRY EN ROUTE FROM KOBE TO PUSAN, SOUTH KOREA, ON MONDAY, CALLING FOR BETTER GUARANTEES OF THEIR LEGAL STATUS.

THE RALLY WAS HELD TO PRESS THEIR DEMANDS TO THE JAPANESE AND SOUTH KOREAN GOVERNMENTS BEFORE AN AGREEMENT ON THE LEGAL STATUS OF KOREAN RESIDENTS IN JAPAN IS REVIEWED NEXT JANUARY.

JAPAN AGREED WITH SOUTH KOREA IN APRIL TO GRANT PERMANENT RESIDENCE TO AND ABOLISH FINGERPRINTING FOR SO-CALLED "THIRD-GENERATION" KOREANS, THE CHILDREN OF SECOND-GENERATION KOREANS WHO THEMSELVES WERE BORN IN JAPAN ON JANUARY 17, 1971 OR LATER.

HOWEVER, THE AGREEMENT DOES NOT COVER FIRST AND SECOND-GENERATION KOREAN RESIDENTS IN JAPAN.

THE RALLY CALLED FOR THE RIGHT TO VOTE IN LOCAL ELECTIONS AND FOR FIRST AND SECOND-GENERATION KOREANS TO ALSO BE EXEMPTED FROM FINGERPRINTING, AMONG OTHER DEMANDS.

AFTER ARRIVING IN PUSAN, THEY WILL MEET THE PRESS AND PARLIAMENTARIANS TO PUT THEIR DEMANDS, THEY SAID.

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#90295k0093 10/22/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 22) KYODO - A CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN ON MONDAY DEMANDED JAPAN STOP VIOLATING BEIJING'S SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE DISPUTED SENKAKU

ISLANDS IN THE EAST CHINA SEA, ACCUSING TOKYO OF TRANSGRESSING CHINESE AUTHORITY WHEN JAPANESE PATROL BOATS FORCED AWAY TWO TAIWANESE FISHING BOATS ATTEMPTING TO LAND ON THE ISLANDS ON SUNDAY.

THE TAIWANESE BOATS, REPORTEDLY CARRYING A HOST OF TAIWANESE ATHLETES, OFFICIALS AND REPORTERS, TRIED TO LAND ON UOTSURISHIMA, ONE OF FIVE ISLANDS LOCATED 150 KILOMETERS NORTHEAST OF TAIWAN, AND PLANT AN OLYMPIC TORCH AS A SYMBOL OF TAIPEI'S SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE ISLANDS. THE ISLANDS ARE UNINHABITED, BUT ARE CLAIMED BY BOTH CHINA AND TAIWAN, AS WELL AS JAPAN.

THE SPOKESMAN CLAIMED "UNDISPUTED" TERRITORIAL RIGHTS OVER THE ISLAND, SAYING THAT THE ISLAND IS THE INHERENT TERRITORY OF CHINA.

THE SPOKESMAN THEN SAID THERE IS NO REASON FOR JAPAN TO DISPATCH PATROL BOATS AND PLANES TO THE SEA AROUND THE ISLAND TO PREVENT TAIWANESE FISHERMEN'S LANDING ATTEMPTS.

THE CHINESE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT STRONGLY DEMANDS THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT TO IMMEDIATELY STOP ALL ACTIONS VIOLATING CHINA'S SOVEREIGNTY OVER UOTSURISHIMA AND THE SEA AROUND THE ISLAND.

JAPAN CONTROLS THE GROUP OF FIVE ISLETS AND THREE REEFS KNOWN IN CHINA AS DAIOYUTAI. A JAPANESE RIGHTIST GROUP BUILT A BEACON IN 1978 ON UOTSURISHIMA AND FILED AN APPLICATION WITH THE MARITIME SAFETY AGENCY FOR APPROVAL TO USE THE BEACON AS AN OFFICIAL LIGHTHOUSE LAST SUMMER.

THE CHINESE SPOKESMAN ISSUED A STATEMENT TO REMOVE THE BEACON LAST THURSDAY AS THE MARITIME SAFETY AGENCY INDICATED IT WOULD APPROVE THE APPLICATION.

CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY MISOJI SAKAMOTO SAID MONDAY IT WAS "REGRETTABLE" THAT THE TWO TAIWANESE FISHING BOATS HAD TO BE FORCED AWAY BY THE JAPANESE PATROL BOATS.

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#90295m0001 10/22/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 22) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

Crude oil is sharply lower this morning with North Sea Brent off $3.25 to $28.00. ... The Nikkei is up 589 points. ... The FTSE is up marginally at midday. ... U.S. stocks in London are lower this morning -- the EXMI off a strong four points. ... GENERAL ELECTRIC is indicated down two points in overseas trading after a negative article in "Barron's." ... Bonds start to rally with the long yield dropping to 8.72% ... The dollar is mixed.

CHASE MANHATTAN is negotiating for SALOMON BROTHERS to buy up to $100 million

of one of its biggest loans as part of a plan to seek help with its $4.6 billion portfolio of leveraged-company loans. ... PATHE COMMUNICATIONS says it has agreed to sell to TURNER BROADCASTING exclusive rights to show some of Hollywood's most popular films. ... BANK OF NEW ENGLAND reports a third-quarter loss of $123.2 million, or $1.78 a share. ... TEXAS INSTRUMENTS says it lost 19 cents a share in the third quarter. ... PUBLIC CITIZEN admits it made a mistake in putting the ITT HARTFORD INSURANCE group on a list of five property and casualty insurers it said could fail.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

FED CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN addresses the AMERICAN BANKERS ASSOCIATION in Orlando, Fla., today. ... PRESIDENT BUSH makes a one-day political trip to New England tomorrow. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT issues its durable goods report on Wednesday. ... USAIR is buying MIDWAY AIRLINES' Philadelphia facilities for $68 million if the JUSTICE DEPARTMENT approves.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I think there's been far too much pessimism in this market -- too much attention to the deficit, to the situation in the Middle East and to oil," says GENE SEAGLE, technical analyst at GRUNTAL & CO. "The market has gotten into a psychological position where these things were measured in here." He says that outside of a shooting war, the Dow could reach about 2650 to 2700 by sometime in November. (CNC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/19)

"My view all along has been that this is simply a bull market correction," says WILLIAM LeFEVRE of THE ADVEST GROUP. He believes the Dow will go no lower than 2350 en route to new highs. This is a ripe time to make long-term stock buys, he says. ("USA Today", 10/22)

"I don't think the rally stops here but will get considerably better," says CHRISTINE CALLIES of COWEN & CO. of Boston. "I am looking for the Dow to get to 2650 to 2680 in about eight weeks. ... Although the stock market had been in the dumps, it has now achieved the technical preparation for a tradeable move." ("Investor's Daily", 10/22)

FROM THE BEARS:

ABBY COHEN says this morning that it is very tempting to say it's time to buy stocks again. "I'm afraid, though, when I look at the economic fundamentals, I can't reach that conclusion yet. "I think it's a real bear market." Consensus expectations are calling for a 15% increase in profits next year. "I don't see how," says Cohen, now a market strategist with GOLDMAN SACHS. (CNN "Business Day", 10/22)

"This is just a rally in a bear market," says MICHAEL HARRIS, chief investment officer at WILLOUGHBY HOLIN & RENTER of Plantation, Fla., "The problems are

still with us." ("Investor's Daily", 10/22)

"The market still seems vulnerable," says CARMINE GRIGOLI at FIRST BOSTON CORP. CHARLES CLOUGH at MERRILL LYNCH says the rally could "go a bit farther " but adds that "for a major bear market bottom you need clear signs that the Federal Reserve Bank is adding [significant] reserves to the banking system. Although bank liquidity is improving slightly, that isn't happening yet." JOHN BROOKS of DAVIS MENDEL REGENSTEIN in Atlanta says trying to time a bear market rally is "like trying to catch a falling knife." (WSJ, 10/22)

Don't underestimate the downside risk, the bear market could be less than one-half over, says JAMES STACK of "Investech." "Expectations of lower interest rates far exceed reality," says Stack. "Underlying inflation pressures remain intact." Stack is advising his clients to use rallies to increase their cash reserves. (CNBC "World Business", 10/22)

STOCK MARKET:

LEON COOPERMAN, market strategist at GOLDMAN SACHS and portfolio manager at GS CAPITAL GROWTH FUND, says it's probably too late to get bearish, but too early to be bullish. "We are likely to have stability for a while, and probably a rally, possibly an explosive one since everybody is learning how to short the market these days," he says. "But I don't think the final lows are at hand. And the Persian Gulf remains a dangerous wild card, capable of precipitating an extreme outcome" in either direction." ("Barron's", 10/22)

"I think the market is at last sensing some positive moves," says NEWTON ZINDER of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "Some of the negatives are lifting here." ("The Washington Post", 10/20)

JACK SOLOMON, technical analyst at BEAR STEARNS, sees the current rally as "simply a release from too much selling pressure." He says it is strictly a technical bounce that could carry the Dow to the 2600s, but will end in another slide to deeper lows. EUGENE PERONI of MONTGOMERY SCOTT sees the move as a chance to sell stocks before an expected drop to new lows next month. ("USA Today", 10/22)

"I'm generally suspicious of activity on an options expiration date because of the shufflings of arbitrage positions and a few other strategies," says technical analyst PHILLIP RETTEW of MERRILL LYNCH. "They tend to move some of the bigger stocks in ways that might not normally be expected." (CNC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/19)

"By the time the real bottom is reached, your average investors are going to be so battered and bruised that the last thing they will want to talk about is the stock market," says DAN SULLIVAN, editor of the "Chartist." "A whole generation of investors will walk away, vowing never to return." (WSJ, 10/22)

For the first time this year, Tokyo stocks have posted six straight up sessions. One reason is that oil prices have stopped rising, says NICHOLAS REITENBACH, global portfolio strategist for YAMAICHI INTERNATIONAL. "Another factor, which may be more important, is that Japanese interest rates aren't going up anymore," says Reitenbach, who believes Japanese rates will fall. "The runup in interest rates was not justified, considering what the underlying rate of inflation is." Reitenbach says the U.S. and Japanese markets do not lead or follow each other, but are simply responding to the same set of worldwide developments. (CNBC "World Business", 10/22)

STOCK TIPS:

"Unless you can outswim Jaws ... enjoy the view, not the swim," says a bearish PETER GRANDICH in "The Grandich Letter." For speculative investors, he recommends NORSAT INTERNATIONAL which he describes as "undervalued strictly due to its present unknown condition." (CNBC "World Business" 10/22)

GENERAL ELECTRIC is the subject of a major article in "Barron's" this week, written by DAVID TICE, publisher of "Behind the Numbers" research service. He cautions that while GE stock has held up well, the huge company is to a large degree a financial services company, with 24% of its total net income coming from GE FINANCIAL. And, he writes, "GE Financial, on close inspection, seems by no means immune to the woes that have befallen so many of its counterparts in banking and insurance." ("Barron's", 10/22)

"We dumped what little cash we had into the market last Wednesday and Thursday " says BILL BEGER, manager of the BERGER 100 and BERGER 101 funds in Denver. Among the issues his funds bought were BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT, MEDCO CONTAINMENT SERVICES, AUTODESK, BMC SOFTWARE and CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS. ("Investor's Daily", 10/22)

"Absent the Mideast problem, the auto industry was poised for a recovery in sales," says DAVID HEALY, director of BARCLAY'S de ZOETE WEDD. "I think there is a likelihood of a recovery beginning in car sales in 1991 ... and that could strengthen in 1992. That's still a possibility if the Mideast situation is resolved. So, I'm actually more optimistic about the auto stocks now than I was a year ago. ... I think you really have to look beyond the economy for the next six months if you're going to get interested in buying auto stocks. The stocks are off 30 percent from where they were a year ago ... and a lot of the bad news ... are already in the prices of the stocks. So we have an opportunity to make some money in auto stocks looking beyond the Mideast situation." He particularly likes GENERAL MOTORS and would avoid FORD for now. "I would actually buy CHRYSLER as a speculation. The stock is selling for near bankruptcy prices. ... It's not for the faint of heart, but it's an interesting speculation." Among foreign companies, he has "buy ratings" on TOYOTA and VOLVO. ("Wall Street Week", 10/19)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 22) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"This [currency trading] is volatile stuff and all indications are that this is going to continue for some time," says LLOYD ATKINSON, chief economist for the BANK OF MONTREAL. "Forex players remain skeptical of the dollar's upside potential at this point," says MICHAEL FAUST, currency analyst with MONEY MARKET SERVICES in Chicago. "We've had comments all week from Japanese, U.S. and German officials that they're either happy with the dollar right now or they welcome further gains in the yen or the mark at the expense of the dollar." ("Investor's Daily", 10/22)

"We can't quantify it, but we know that dollar-based capital continues to move offshore," says DAVID HALE, chief economist at KEMPER FINANCIAL SERVICES. "People have been aware that Treasury would be permissive of a fall in the dollar, but I think they are surprised by the extent of it. Given the banking crisis, there is no constituency in Washington to support the dollar through a rise in interest rates." (NYT, 10/22)

"The recent rally in the bond market seems to have priced in a lot of good news, both current and anticipated," says RICHARD BERNER of SALOMON BROTHERS. "The market's celebration seems hasty and a 9% Treasury

bond yield may reemerge before rates eventually drift lower." ("Investor's Daily", 10/22)

"People generally have to be beaten over the head before they believe that a recession" is in the making, says ROBERTA OLSON at BANC ONE ASSET MANAGEMENT CORP. She is bullish on bonds, believing rates will fall and that recession is a sure bet. But she says most money managers won't jump into the bond market "until they get definite evidence that a recession has begun." (WSJ, 10/22)

"The tenacity of the long bond rally, despite seemingly adverse economic reports and a declining dollar, underscores the market's recognition that there is no inflation threat," says PHILIP BRAVERMAN at DKB SECURITIES. "Portfolio buyers are shifting funds into Treasuries from equities and from debt instruments vulnerable to deep recession, suggesting that they see through the spurious strength of recent inflation reports." ("Investor's Daily", 10/22)

THE ECONOMY:

"The news on inflation is at the good end of the range," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist for "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "Supplies of most commodities continue to be abundant and we've had a relatively large drop in inflation. I relate that basically to the falls in interest rates that have happened in Europe and Japan and I think it may well be that, world-wide, interest rates have peaked. ... I'm not saying it's going to save the United States from a recession, but it sure makes life a lot easier for the Federal Reserve and does tend to make me less scared of a severe recession. ... I think this may [have been] the best week since Aug. 3 which is when Saddam [Hussein] invaded Kuwait." (CNC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/19)

"We see the economy turning around by the end of the year and accelerating into 1992," says MARK MILES, senior economist at H.C. WAINWRIGHT ECONOMICS in Boston. "We could have 3% growth next year and perhaps even 4% in 1992." (NYT, 10/21)

"The [oil] market correctly perceives this to be a spike in prices," says ARTHUR SMITH, of JOHN S. HEROLD INC. "Expectations of oil prices 12 months from now are about $25 a barrel. ... Until we get a resolution to the Kuwait situation, oil prices will bounce in the high numbers, but eventually resolution should bring prices down to the mid 20s." ("Wall Street Week", 10/19)

"This [oil] market has overvalued the war premium and people are beginning to consider that and understanding that there is a lot of oil out there," says THOMAS BLAKESLEE of PEGASUS ECONOMETRICS GROUP. "As long as there's not something to precipitate the war fears over the weekend, we believe this market will continue to move lower." TOM BENTZ, trading director at UNITED ENERGY TRADING, says: "We're in a bit of a free fall. There's a good chance this thing could go to $31" a barrel. ("The Washington Post", 10/20)

IN WASHINGTON:

"The deficit reduction package now working its tortuous way through Congress doesn't even begin to address the fiscal problems facing this nation," says MARK MELCHER, director of Washington research for PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. "The tilt toward excise taxes and user fees, without meaningful cuts in fiscal spending, does create an inflationary bias to this particular package," says EDWARD McKELVEY, senior economist at GOLDMAN SACHS. "All the routes that avoid stagflation lead to recession. There is no significant upside here. What you'd really like to do is live in the O.M.B.'s post- 1991 world, where inflation is low and growth is strong and you just melt the budget [deficit] out of existence." Unfortunately, he doesn't think that is a realistic world. (NYT, 10/21)

Senate backers of a bill to regulate cable TV prices say the compromise measure is dead for the year. On another issue, SEN. ALAN DIXON of Illinois is withholding his support for compromise legislation on stock-index futures

regulation, clouding prospects for a floor vote before Congress recesses this year. ("Investor's Daily", 10/22)

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OREM, UTAH. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Wicat Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: WCAT) announced today record earnings and revenue for its second quarter and six months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Robert W. Mendenhall, president and chief executive officer, announced net income for the quarter was $1.6 million, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $15.2 million. Net income for the same period last year was $1.4 million, or $.07 per share, on revenues of $13.3 million. The company's cash position increased to over $8.4 million.

Revenues of learning improvement products were up almost 30 percent for the first six months, with gross margins improving to 64 percent from 55 percent last year. Sales to schools increased sharply; growing over 60 percent in the first half. Hardware sales to industry and government decreased as the company continued to move toward standard platform solutions. The company announced during the quarter a new courseware development tool called Sage(tm) , which is MS-DOS compatible and runs under Microsoft Windows(tm) 3.0 Services revenue was also down slightly due to delays and cost overruns in custom courseware development for industry, which is also negatively impacted services gross margins.

The company continued its emphasis on growing market share by adding over $2.1 million in sales and marketing expense in the first half.

Sales recorded during the second quarter included a $6.2 million order from DeKalb County Schools, a $780,000 order from Muscogee County Schools, and two courseware development contracts with aircraft engine manufacturers Pratt & Whitney and CFM International. In addition, the company announced plans to open a sales office in Singapore to better serve customers along the Pacific Rim. The office is scheduled to open in February of 1991.

Wicat Systems Inc. is a world leader in technology-based training education solutions, providing products and services to help clients achieve 30 to 50 percent learning improvement in schools, industry, and government.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Pacific Scientific Company (NYSE: PSX), a manufacturer of products for industry and aerospace, today reported its quarterly revenue and profit for the third quarter ended Sept. 28 1990. The company reported third-quarter revenue of $46.2 million with net

income of $1.2 million or $0.20 per share, compared to last year's third-quarter revenue of $41.2 million with net income of $1.1 million or $0.18 per share.

For the nine months, revenue was $137.9 million with net income of $3.9 million or $0.65 per share, compared to last year's nine-month revenue of $125.5 million with net income of $2.8 million or $0.47 per share. The previous year's nine-month profit included an extraordinary gain of $989,000 or $0.18 per share from the repurchase, at a discount, of the company's outstanding convertible subordinated debentures.

Commenting on the earnings, Chairman, President and CEO Edgar S. Brower said that it is important to note that Pacific Scientific's pretax income for the quarter increased by 34 percent. Pretax income for the nine months increased by 164 percent.

During the third quarter, the company discontinued operations at its two subsidiaries in Puerto Rico. The expense of closing and moving these facilities was offset by the sale of assets and a refund based on price adjustment from a 1987 acquisition. The outdoor lighting control product line was moved from Puerto Rico to the Fisher Pierce plant in Massachusetts and start-up expense and initially lower manufacturing efficiency of this product line resulted in additional expense estimated to equal $0.05 per share during the just completed quarter.

Third-quarter orders totaled $43 million, resulting in a $95 million backlog. For the nine months, orders were relatively evenly split between industrial products ($65 million) and commercial/military aerospace ($70 million). Niche products with order increases included brushless motors and products for electric utilities. Niche products that recorded declines in orders included motors for data processing and consumer products. According to the company, current order rates and existing backlog strongly suggest excellent fourth-quarter sales.

Pacific Scientific's core business is designing, manufacturing and marketing technology based proprietary products for niche markets. The principal industrial products include electric motors and controls, and measurement and control instrumentation. Aerospace products include fire detection and suppression systems, aircraft equipment, and electric generators and alternators.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - MAXXAM Inc. (AMEX: MXM) today reported net

income of $128.9 million or $13.54 per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net income of $71.6 million or $8.11 per share for the same period of 1989. The nine-month 1990 figure for net income includes $11.2 million or $1.18 per share of after-tax extraordinary gain on the repurchase of debt.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, MAXXAM reported net income of $34.8 million or $3.65 per share, compared to net income of $37.9 million or $3.98 per share in the third quarter of 1989. The third quarter 1990 figure includes $4.5 million or 47 cents per share of after-tax extraordinary gain on the repurchase of debt.

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $1,783.5 million, compared to $1,796.4 million for the same period in 1989. Sales for the three months ended Sept. 30 were $601.2 million, compared to $647.7 million for the third quarter of 1989.

MAXXAM operates in three industry segments: aluminum operations, forest products operations and real estate management and development. It does so in aluminum through Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp., a fully integrated aluminum producer; in forest products through MAXXAM's wholly owned subsidiary, The Pacific Lumber Co.; and in real estate management and development through several wholly owned subsidiaries.

On a consolidated basis, MAXXAM results reflect a decrease in investment, interest and other income during the nine and three months ended Sept. 30 from the comparable 1989 periods primarily as a result of lower realized gains on sales of marketable securities, an increase in unrealized losses on marketable securities, and a decrease in interest income resulting from lower cash balances. Consolidated interest expense declined in both the nine months and three months ended Sept. 30 compared to the year earlier periods primarily as a result of a reduction in debt.

MAXXAM's common stock is traded on the American, Pacific, and Philadelphia Stock Exchanges under the ticker symbol MXM.

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WEST KINGSTON, RI (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - American Power Conversion Corporation (NASDAQ: APCC) today announced record sales and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $16.7 million, up 53 percent from $10.9 million for the third quarter of 1989. Earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $2.7 million (25 cents per share), up 55 percent from $1.7

million, (17 cents per share) in the third quarter of 1989.

The company effected a 3 for 1 stock split in the form of a stock dividend during the third quarter, and earnings-per-share results have been adjusted accordingly.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales were $42.5 million, an increase of 73 percent over the $24.5 million in sales from the corresponding nine month period in 1989. Earnings for the period were $6.1 million (55 cents per share), up 67 percent from $3.6 million (35 cents per share) in 1989.

Rodger B. Dowdell, Jr., president and chief executive officer, noted that the company "appears to be gaining share, although the market remains quite competitive."

In August, the company reduced prices on three of its products. "We saw an opportunity to gain more market share, and although the quarter's results reflect the short term impact of the price reduction, the long term effect should be favorable to our goal of increased market share," said Dowdell.

During the third quarter, the company introduced PowerDoctor, "Our customers are very solutions driven, and we believe PowerDoctor gives significant added value to our products," said Dowdell.

Dowdell credited lower manufacturing costs for keeping the company's margins consistent, and noted that the company continues to emphasize growth into international markets.

"Many computer manufacturers are reporting sluggish sales," said Dowdell. "Fortunately, our products are not tied directly to new computer shipments, with the majority of sales sold as retofits to an immense installed base. Analysts who follow the company often call us recession-proof, because despite changes in the economy, corporations will still look to Local Area Networks (LANs) as a way to increase productivity and cut costs. LANs continue to be our largest served market."

American Power Conversion is a leading manufacturer of uninterruptible power sources (UPS) which protect computers and similar power-sensitive electronic equipment from sags, spikes, blackouts and other power anormalies.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - American Exploration Company (AMEX: AX) today

announced the signing of a definitive merger agreement under which American Exploration will acquire Conquest Exploration Company (AMEX: CQX). The terms of the agreement call for American to pay $1.90 per share in cash for approximately 12 percent of Conquest's common stock and to exchange 0.44 shares of American Exploration's common stock for each remaining share of Conquest's common stock. Currently, Conquest has 44,468,814 shares outstanding.

In addition, American Exploration has agreed to purchase 5,000,000 shares of Conquest's voting preferred stock, held by the Dyson-Kissner- Moran Corporation (DKM), for $21 million. The Conquest preferred was issued in 1986 and has a liquidation preference of $23.75 million. DKM has also agreed to vote its approximately 10,317,400 shares of Conquest common stock, and its preferred stock, in favor of the acquisition. DKM's interests represent approximately 30 percent of Conquest's outstanding voting stock. As part of the transaction, American Exploration will also assume approximately $55 million of Conquest's debt.

Based on American Exploration's closing stock price of $4.25 per share on Friday, Oct. 19, 1990, the transaction has a value of approximately $160 million. The acquisition is subject to approval by the shareholders of both companies. The shareholder meetings will occur promptly after definitive proxy materials have been approved by the SEC. The transaction is also subject to certain regulatory approvals and the satisfaction of other customary conditions.

Mark Andrews, chairman and CEO of American Exploration, said, "The acquisition of Conquest will significantly increase our cash flow over the next few years and balance the very long life reserves added by our acquisition of Hershey Oil Corporation earlier this year. In addition, the Conquest acquisition will increase our proved reserves by over 60 percent and our market capitalization by some 45 percent to well over $200 million."

At year-end 1989, Conquest Exploration reported 6.4 million barrels of crude oil and 112 BCF of natural gas or approximately 151 BCF equivalents. Conquest also had 222,300 net undeveloped acres in North America and an aggregate of 3,666,000 net undeveloped acres in three international concessions.

American Exploration is an independent oil and gas company engaged in the acquisition and further development of oil and gas properties and in the production of oil and gas. When combined with the recent Hershey Oil acquisition, American Exploration's proved reserves at year-end 1989 were 9.9 million barrels of crude oil and 184 BCF of natural gas or approximately 244 BCF equivalents. In addition, American Exploration had 84,700 net undeveloped acres in North America.

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#90295p7602 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
PRINCETON, NJ (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Cytogen Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTO) has announced the issuance of a U.S. patent on anthracycline based compounds useful for cancer therapy.

The patent -- U.S. Patent No. 4,950,738 -- entitled "Amine Derivatives of Anthracycline Antibiotics and Antibody Conjugates Thereof" covers derivatives of anthracycline antibiotics which are particularly useful for preparing soluble therapeutic antibody conjugates for the treatment of cancer and other diseases.

Anthracyclines have shown therapeutic efficacy against a variety of solid tumors and acute leukemias. Adriamycin(TM), developed by Farmitalia Carlo Erba, S.r.l. and marketed in the United States by Adria Laboratories, is the best known anthracycline agent. As with other chemotherapeutic agents of this kind, treatment with anthracyclines has a number of toxic side-effects, including bone marrow depression, alopecia (hair loss) and congestive heart failure. Consequently, derivatives of anthracycline compounds which maintain therapeutic efficacy against abnormal cell growth, but diminish or eliminate toxicity of normal cells, are of significant interest.

Scientists at Cytogen Corp. use the derivatives to prepare site- specific antibody conjugates by the company's previously patented techniques. In pre-clinical studies, these antibody conjugates have demonstrated both the ability to target tumor sites and to exert a therapeutic effect when administered "in vivo." The patented antibody conjugates may prove to be useful for cancer therapy by delivering the cytotoxic anthracycline to a desired tumor target site, while alleviating toxic side-effects currently observed when these compounds are administered systemically. Cytogen is developing such antibody- targeted anthracyclines in conjugation with Farmitalia Carlo Erba.

Cytogen Corp. is a biopharmaceutical company which has developed proprietary systems for linking drugs and diagnostic agents to monoclonal antibodies in order to optimize the function of the antibody as a delivery vehicle. With major emphasis on human cancer, current product development efforts at Cytogen are focused on improved cancer diagnostic imaging agents and the targeted delivery of cancer therapeutic agents directly to tumor sites.

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#90295p7603 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - ImmunoGen, Inc. (NASDAQ: IMGN), announced today that it has entered into a cooperative drug development

program for Oncolysin(R) B (Anti-B4-bR) with the Division of Cancer Treatment of the National Cancer Institute (NCI) of the National Institutes of Health. Oncolysin B was reviewed at a recent meeting of the Decision Network Committee of the NCI. The committee and ImmunoGen have agreed to begin clinical trials, sponsored by NCI, in centers throughout the country in patients with various types of B-cell lymphomas and leukemias.

The NCI's decision to sponsor trials was based on the initial high response rate and low toxicity, which has been seen with Oncolysin B in Phase I clinical studies at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. Unlike current approaches to the therapy of lymphomas and leukemias, Immunogen's Oncolysin B does not suppress the bone marrow and thereby expose patients to potentially serious infections. The involvement of NCI will accelerate evaluation of this agent.

ImmunoGen, Inc., is a Cambridge-based biotechnology company specializing in the treatment of cancer. The company has developed proprietary toxins, drugs and biologicals conjugated to highly specific monoclonal antibodies that search out and destroy cancer cells.

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#90295p7606 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENLO PARK, CA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Freightways Inc. (NYSE: CNF) today reported that net income for common shareholders in the third quarter was $8.2 million, or 23 cents per share compared with the year earlier $7.4 million, or 22 cents per share. Fully diluted earnings per share were 21 cents, compared with 22 cents, a year ago.

Record revenues were achieved in the quarter and totaled $1.08 billion, a 7.2 percent increase over the $1.01 billion in the third quarter of 1989.

The CF companies had operating income in the quarter of $27.4 million compared with $25.2 million a year ago.

For the first nine months of the year, the company reported a net loss of $35.7 million, or $1.02 per share, after preferred dividends. In the comparative period a year ago, net income for common shareholders totaled $47.6 million, or $1.27 per share. On a fully diluted basis, the nine month loss per share was $1.02 compared to earnings of $1.24 the year earlier. Net income for the first nine months of 1989 was restated for adoption of Financial Accounting Standards Statement No. 96, Accounting for Income Taxes.

Revenues in the first nine months of 1990 increased to $3.12 billion from $2.77 billion a year ago.

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WAYNE, PA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - SunGard Data Systems Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SNDT) announced today that net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $4.8 million, compared to net income of $4.7 million for the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings per share for the quarter was $.33, the same as for the third quarter last year and somewhat below analyst expectations.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income totalled $14.5 million, an increase of 13 percent over 1989 nine-month net income of $12.9 million. Earnings per share for the nine-month period grew 10 percent to $1.01 in 1990 from $.92 in 1989.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $62.7 million, up 20 percent over 1989 third quarter revenues of $52.1 million. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues totalled $182.2 million, an increase of 23 percent over nine-month revenues of $147.9 million last year.

James L. Mann, SunGard's president, chairman and chief executive officer, said: "Our disaster recovery business continued growing in the third quarter, despite an uncertain economy and continuing competition from IBM. In our investment support systems business, processing revenues were up due to our February 1990 acquisition of Warrington Financial Systems. Software license sales, however, declined during the quarter. One reason for this is that sales of our derivative instrument systems, while they continued to penetrate new markets, did not reach the unusually high levels we achieved during the last half of 1989 preceding the opening of the new German options exchange in early 1990. Furthermore, our investment support systems revenues may have been affected by financial institutions and other investment managers evaluating software expenditures at greater length in light of their own financial situations and concerns about a possible recession. Although these factors may continue to affect our financial results, our solid and diversified customer base should continue to produce recurring revenues, reasonable profits and strong cash flows."

SunGard Data Systems Inc. is the pioneer and a leading provider of comprehensive computer disaster recovery services and is the only large specialized provider of proprietary investment support systems to the financial services industry. The company's common stock is reported on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol SNDT.

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#90295p7613 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Time Warner Inc.'s (NYSE: TWX) operating divisions posted third-quarter earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) of $546 million, on the strength of record results from the company's filmed entertainment, recorded music, cable TV and HBO programming units. EBITDA for the first nine months of 1990 was $1.618 billion.

Due primarily to interest expense and the accounting treatment associated with the amortization of the purchase cost related to the acquisition of Warner Communications Inc. (WCI), Time Warner reported a third-quarter net loss of $91 million on revenues of $2.9 billion. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $193 million on revenues of $8.226 billion.

In the financial results issued today, Time Warner presented comparative 1989 figures on a historical and a pro-forma basis. The following presentation assumes the pro-forma purchase of 100 percent of WCI as of Jan. 1, 1989.

Time Warner reported a loss of $4.05 per share after preferred dividends in the 1990 third quarter compared with a loss of $4.62 per share in the same quarter last year. For the nine months, the company's loss per common share after preferred dividends was $10.59 compared with $11.75 per share for the same period last year.

For the third quarter of 1990, total EBITDA from the company's business segments was $546 million compared with $525 million in the year-earlier period; however, in 1989, third quarter results included operating profits of $57 million from Scott, Foresman, a textbook publisher sold by Time Warner in December 1989. Absent Scott, Foresman's 1989 results, total Time Warner EBITDA for the 1990 third quarter was up 17 percent to $546 million from $468 million for the same period a year ago.

For the first nine months of 1990, total EBITDA was $1.618 billion compared with $1.505 billion a year ago. Excluding Scott, Foresman's 1989 results, total EBITDA for the first three quarters of 1990 rose 12 percent to $1.618 billion from $1.440 billion a year earlier.

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#90295p7614 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
TROY, MICH. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - A subsidiary of Ameritech Publishing, Inc. today announced its acquisition of a German industrial directory

publisher.

Ameritech Industrial Yellow Pages, Inc. (AIYP) is the first known American firm to acquire an existing, independent company in Hamburg, Germany with its purchase of "Wer Liefert Was?"

AIYP is the publisher of the Ameritech Industrial Purchasing Guide, 14 regional directories targeted for American purchasers and suppliers.

"Wer Liefert Was?" was the family-owned and operated publisher of the European industrial directory, "Wer Liefert Was?" Freely translated, Wer Liefert Was? means "Who supplies what?" "Wer Liefert Was?" is the German market leader, with German and Austrian editions. Additionally, "Wer Liefert Was?" plans to introduce a directory in Switzerland.

"The relationship formed between AIYP and 'Wer Liefert Was?' is one based on respect and the understanding that together we can provide an outstanding product to our customers," said Tom Kaeding, president of AIYP. "By entering into this agreement, we have created a strong and experienced team prepared to address the needs of the international industrial marketplace."

Ameritech Industrial Yellow Pages, Inc., is a subsidiary of Ameritech Publishing, Inc., provider of Ameritech PagesPlus(R) directories in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin, and directories in Tokyo and Osaka, Japan.

CONTACT: Mary Kay Mencotti, 313-524-7463; or Karen Stoychoff, 313-524-7452, both of Ameritech Publishing, Inc.

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#90295p7615 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

ASHLAND, KY (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashland Oil Inc. (NYSE: ASH) said today it had net income of $59 million, or $1.06 a share, for its fiscal fourth quarter ended Sept. 30.

In the quarter last year, Ashland had a net loss of $39 million, or 71 cents a share, including the adverse impact of $78 million, or $1.40 a share, in unusual items.

Sales and operating revenues were $2.5 billion for the quarter just ended and $2.3 billion in last year's quarter.

For the year ended Sept. 30, Ashland had net income of $182 million, equal to $3.27 a share. This compares to net income of $86 million, or $1.55 a share, for fiscal 1989, which was hurt by $72 million, or $1.31 a share in unusual items.

Sales and operating revenues were $9 billion in 1990 and $8.5 billion in 1989. Operating income was $331 million, compared to $181 million last year. Operating income for all periods has been restated to include general corporate expenses.

"Fiscal 1990 was one of our best years. Operating income was the second best ever and was exceeded only by that of 1986," said Ashland Chairman and Chief Executive Officer John R. Hall.

Ashland Petroleum recorded $206 million in operating income in 1990, a 45 percent improvement, despite upheaval in crude oil and petroleum product markets throughout much of fiscal 1990. APAC's operating income of $53 million increased 32 percent, reflecting improvements in the Arizona market and better weather conditions in many operating areas.

Ashland Exploration's $40 million in operating income was nearly double its 1989 total and was due to increased production and higher prices of natural gas and crude oil. Combined equity income from Arch Mineral and Ashland Coal totaled $42 million for the year, a 31 percent increase from 1989. Higher coal sales volumes by both companies were the primary contributors to the increase.

During the quarter, Ashland sold all of its shares in Riley Consolidated Inc., an engineering unit, to a subsidiary of Deutsche Babcock Aktiengesellschaft of Germany. At the same time, Ashland took a $15 million pre-tax charge as an addition to existing reserves to correct performance problems with certain Riley-built boilers for which Ashland will have continuing obligations.

CONTACT: Roger Schrum, 606-329-4061, or Bill Hartl, in New York, 212-421-1250 of Ashland Oil.

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ENCINO, CALIF. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Nu-Med Inc. (NASDAQ: NUMS) announced today that it has been granted a temporary exception to the minimum "capital and surplus" requirements of the National Association of Security Dealers (NASD). The exception requires the company to file an update on its restructuring and divestiture program with the NASD on or before Jan. 1, 1991. Provided that the filing is acceptable to the NASD, Nu-Med will have until July 31, 1991, to demonstrate its compliance with all requirements necessary for continued inclusion on the NASDAQ System.

Commencing Oct. 22, 1990, a fifth character (c) will be added to the Nu-Med symbol (NUMSC).

Nu-Med Inc. is a nationwide health care services company focusing its operations in the areas of acute and psychiatric care.

CONTACT: Kenneth E. Rappoport, vice chairman of Nu-Med Inc., 818-990-2000; or Melvyn S. Rifkind of Melvyn S. Rifkind Inc., 818-783-8323, for Nu-Med

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - James D. Roy, president of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, announced today that Bryn Mawr Trust Co., Bryn Mawr, Pa., has become a member/stockholder of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh.

Prior to the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA), Federal Home Loan Bank System membership was limited to traditional home finance lenders -- thrift institutions, as well as certain types of insurance companies. In FIRREA, membership eligibility was expanded to include commercial banks and credit unions that have a significant commitment to home mortgage finance.

To gain entry into the Federal Home Loan banks, qualifying financial institutions must have at least 10 percent of total assets in residential mortgage loans, satisfy safety-and-soundness criteria, and demonstrate management and lending policies consistent with economical home financing.

Bryn Mawr commenced operation as a state-chartered commercial bank in 1989. As of Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $278 million, with real estate loans amounting to $75 million, 27 percent of total assets. Total deposits were $252 million, and net income was $1,763,805 for the nine months.

Bryn Mawr's lending programs include residential, construction, commercial and consumer loans. Deposits are insured by FDIC. In addition to its main office in Bryn Mawr, Pa., a suburb of Philadelphia, Bryn Mawr operates four full-service branch offices in suburban Philadelphia.

Bryn Mawr joins nearly 200 other financial institutions that are stockholders of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh in the states of Delaware, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Also among the commercial banks to join the Pittsburgh bank since the passage of FIRREA are First National Bank of Keystone, Keystone, W.Va., and Iron and Glass Bank of Pittsburgh.

The Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, on Sept. 30, 1990, had assets of $6.3 billion. The bank's economical funding and operating services are available to all financial institutions engaged in residential mortgage financing, including thrifts, banks, credit unions and insurance companies. Owned by its financial institutions, the bank is one of 12 regional banks, which together with the Federal Housing Finance Board, compose the Federal Home Loan Bank System.

CONTACT: Rosemary A. Abendroth of Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, 412-288-2830.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - PLY GEM Industries, Inc. (AMEX: PGI) today announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues for the third quarter increased 9 percent to $154,334,000 from $141,295,000 a year ago. Earnings were $3,412,000 or $.32 per share fully diluted compared to $3,366,000 or $.29 per share fully diluted in the 1989 third quarter.

For the nine months of 1990, sales advanced to $428,294,000 from $399,486,000 for the comparable 1989 period on a pro forma basis had SNE Enterprises been acquired on Jan. 1, 1989. Net income for the nine months of 1990 was $5,217,000 or $.50 per share fully diluted compared to last year's pro forma net income of $5,367,000 or $.47 per share fully diluted.

"While the overall performance of our industry has suffered a drastic decline during 1990, PLY GEM has increased revenues and maintained profitability due to our dominant strength in the remodeling segment of the market. In fact, the $100-plus-billion home improvement market has now surpassed new construction spending and is expected to double in size during the 1990s," said Jeffrey S. Silverman, chairman.

During 1990, PLY GEM's board of directors authorized the repurchase of up to 500,000 shares of common stock. As of Sept. 30, 1990, PLY GEM had repurchased 196,000 shares of its common stock, of which 93,000 shares have been reserved for its employee retirement plans and 103,000 shares have been added to treasury stock.

"With our stock price currently at its lowest level in six years, we believe that buying back our stock is an excellent investment decision and demonstrates our commitment to improving stockholder value and our confidence in PLY GEM's future," said Silverman.

CONTACT: Diane M. Cady, director, investor relations of PLY GEM Industries, Inc., 212-832-1550

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#90295p7628 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEMPHIS, TENN. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Swipe your MOST card through an Exxon gas pump, enter your Personal Identification Number (PIN), pump the amount of gas you need, and away you go. That's how easy and convenient the agreement between Internet, Inc., Sovran Bank and Exxon Co., U.S.A. has made gas purchases in Memphis.

One of the most extensive point-of-sale debit programs available in the nation this agreement allows MOST cardholders from Delaware to Tennessee to use their MOST ATM cards at the point-of-sale (POS) to pay for gasoline and other services at more than 700 Exxon stations.

In Memphis, Exxon is conducting a market test of self service pumps with card readers built into the pump at 50 of its service stations. These Customer Activated Terminals (CATs) offer the ultimate in convenience by allowing gasoline purchases to be completed without the customer ever leaving the pump. Consumers need only swipe their MOST card through the reader, enter their familiar PIN, authorize the purchase amount of the gas pumped and get their receipt -- all without ever dealing with a station attendant.

The agreement with Exxon is the latest expansion of the MOST POS electronic purchase system offered to retail establishments by the more than 430 member financial institutions that belong to the Internet MOST network.

In Memphis, Internet member financial institutions include Sovran Bank, Union Planters National Bank, National Bank of Commerce, First Tennessee Bank, First American National Bank, Richards Employee Credit Union, Memphis Defense Federal Credit Union, FAA Credit Union and Federal Express Credit Association. ATM cards issued by these financial institutions and many other financial institutions throughout the region are also MOST cards and can be used at any MOST ATM or MOST POS location.

In the rest of Tennessee and in Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia, Exxon customers will use the more standard approach of taking their MOST card to the station attendant to complete their purchase. In this case, the cardholder presents the MOST card to the sales clerk or station attendant who swipes the card through a terminal. The cardholder then enters his or her PIN or security code. Once the purchase amount in authorized through the MOST network, the payment is transferred from the cardholders's account to Exxon.

Internet(R) owns and operates the MOST electronic banking network, the fourth largest regional network in the U.S. Internet has 434 financial institution members representing more than 14.5 million cardholders and over 5,200 MOST ATM and POS locations throughout the Mid-Atlantic and Mid-South regions.

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#90295p7635 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Systems & Computer Technology Corp. (SCT) (NASDAQ: SCTC), today announced its unaudited financial results for the fourth

quarter of fiscal 1990, which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The quarterly results include the operations of the Moore Companies, which SCT acquired on July 3.

Revenue for the quarter increased 24 percent to $14,161,000, compared with $11,424,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Net income forthe quarter decreased to $308,000, or $.03 per share, from $770,000 -- $.06 per share -- for the same period last year.

For all of fiscal 1990, revenue grew 9.9 percent to $48,869,000, vs. $44,480,000 for fiscal 1989. Excluding a one-time gain of $1.9 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1989 from the settlement of litigation, revenue increased 14.7 percent in 1990. Net income for 1990 was $848,000, or $.07 per share, compared with $3,009,000 (excluding the one-time gain), or $.24 per share, in 1989.

During the quarter, SCT signed more than $7 million in new business and contract renewals. Revenue from software licenses, commissions and installations nearly doubled in the fourth quarter to $5.8 million, compared with $3.1 million during the same period in 1989, because of increased business levels, the release of the financial aid system and the Moore acquisition. The company's backlog of business under contract decreased to $86 million at Sept. 30, from $92 million at June 30.

"SCT's fourth quarter results were adversely affected by our previously announced $700,000 write-down for delinquent accounts," said Michael J. Emmi, chairman and chief executive officer. "Without that write-down, it would have been a very satisfying quarter. In fact, our software sales reached a new record during the period, even without the addition of Moore.

"While we experienced a sales slowdown in software early in the year, we are pleased by the significant increase in software revenue in the second half of 1990," Emmi said. "It demonstrates the growing popularity of SCT's BANNER products, as well as the positive impact of the Moore acquisition. With the investments we have made in sales support, marketing and product development, plus our intensified efforts to develop our OnSite services business, we expect to continue this momentum in 1991."

SCT is a leading provider of computing management services and applications software for educational institutions and government jurisdictions nationwide. The company is headquartered at 4 Country View Road, Malvern.

SYSTEMS & COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share amounts)

Periods ended	Three months		12 months	
Sept 30	1990	1989(A)	1990	1989(A)

Revenues:				
OnSite Services	$7,827	$7,856	$32,675	$30,539
License Fees, Commissions and Software Installations	5,833	3,065	14,497	10,437
Interest and Other Revenue	501	503	1,697	1,646
Settlement				1,858
Total Revenues	14,161	11,424	48,869	44,480
Expenses:				
Salaries and Payroll Taxes	8,782	7,290	32,380	28,725
Other Operating Expenses	4,928	3,233	15,123	10,469
Interest Expense	58	131	286	419
Total Expenses	13,768	10,654	47,789	39,613
Income Before Income Taxes and Extraordinary Item	393	770	1,080	4,867
Provision for Income Taxes	157	308	432	1,947
Income Before Extraordinary Item	236	462	648	2,920
Extraordinary Item: Utilization of Net Operating Loss Carryforwards	72	308	200	1,947
Net Income	308	770	848	4,867
Earnings per Common Share Before Extraordinary Item	$0.02	$0.04	$0.05	$0.24
Earnings per Common Share	$0.03	$0.06	$0.07	$0.39
Average Equivalent Shares Outstanding	12,084	12,276	12,221	12,369

(A) Reclassified to conform to current year format

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	Sept. 30, 1990 (UNAUDITED)	Sept. 30, 1989
Cash & Marketable Securities	$11,607	$14,338
Receivables	19,714	16,028
Refundable Taxes	173	100
Prepaid Expenses	2,090	523
Property & Equipment	7,761	7,825
Capitalized Software	3,113	2,330
Long-Term Receivables	--	2,118
Costs in Excess of Fair Value of Net Assets Acquired	2,874	--
Other Assets & Deferred Charges	1,899	2,003
TOTAL ASSETS	49,231	45,265
Current Liabilities	4,342	3,739
Long-Term Debt	2,407	2,507
Shareholders' Equity	42,482	39,019
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	$49,231	$45,265

CONTACT: Eric Haskell, vice president-finance & administration of SCT, 215-640-5175

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RICHMOND, VA. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Dominion Resources, Inc. (NYSE: D) today announced consolidated earnings of $1.57 per share of common stock for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990, up 11 cents, or 7.5 percent, from the same period in 1989.

Virginia Power, DRI's largest subsidiary, in the third quarter of 1990 earned $1.46 per share, an increase of 7 cents, or 5 percent, over the same period last year.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, DRI's consolidated earnings totaled $3.68 per share, an increase of 74 cents, or 25 percent, over the same period in 1989. Virginia Power's earnings per share for the first nine months of 1990 were $3.20, an improvement of 49 cents, or 18 percent, over unusually low earnings for the same period of 1989.

Virginia Power's earnings for the first nine months of 1990 increased primarily because of higher base rates in effect subject to regulatory approval and as a result of major reductions in costs. However, earnings were held down by an absence of growth in the amount of electricity sold because of milder than normal weather and a weakening economy in the utility's service area. Virginia Power's earnings for the first nine months of 1989 had been severely depreseed by rate decisions in 1988 and the costs of maintenance and improvements at the Surry nuclear power station.

For the 12-month period ended September 30, 1990, Dominion Resources earned $4.88 per share, compared to $3.86 for the same period in 1989, a 26 percent increase. Earnings for the 12 months were strengthened by high revenues from the exceptionally cold December of 1989.

DOMINION RESOURCES, INC.

Report for 3 Months Ended September 30

	MILLIONS, EXCEPT EPS	
	1990	1989
Revenues and Other Income	$ 997.6	$ 983.5
Net Income	$ 160.0	$ 145.7
Common Shares Outstanding (Avg.)	102.0	$ 99.5
Earned Per Share	$ 1.57	$ 1.46

Report for 9 Months Ended September 30

	1990	1989
Revenues and Other Income	$2,716.0	$2,760.2
Net Income	$ 372.6	$ 290.3
Common Shares Outstanding (Avg.)	101.3	98.8
Earned Per Share	$ 3.68	$ 2.94

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#90295p7643 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEBSTER, N.Y. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Photographic Sciences Corporation (NASDAQ: PSCX) ("PSC") today reported that sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $3,941,000, a 53 percent increase over third quarter performance last year of $2,572,000.

Net income for the period also improved to $103,000 from $4,000 recorded during the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share advanced to $.02 from $.00 during last year's comparable quarter.

Year to date across all product lines, the company posted sales of $11,466,000 a 38 percent increase compared to last year's $8,294,000 in the first nine months. Net income climbed 78 percent from $211,000 to $376,000. Earnings per share moved up to $.07 from $.04 a year earlier.

L. Michael Hone, president and chief executive officer, reported that PSC's core bar code products continue their strong performance.

Photographic Sciences Corporation is a leading manufacturer of equipment serving the worldwide bar code industry from its operations center in Upstate New York. PSC products include hand-held laser bar code scanners, bar code verifiers, interface systems and bar code film masters.

CONTACT: L. Michael Hone, president and chief executive officer or David A. Kostizak, vice president, secretary and treasurer, 716-265-1600, both of Photographic Sciences Corporation

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#90295p7644 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, Conn. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - General Signal Corporation (NYSE: GSX) has reached and agreement principle with Knorr-Bremse A.G. of Munich, Germany for the sale of its Watertown, N.Y.-based New York Air Brake unit, and with SASIB S.p.A. of Bologna, Italy for the sale of its Rochester, N.Y.-based General Railway Signal unit, according to an announcement made today. While terms of the pending sales were not disclosed, proceeds will be used to repay debt.

General Railway Signal with 1989 sales of approximately $80 million is a leading manufacturer of sophisticated signaling equipment and safety systems to the mainline railroad and mass traffic markets.

New York Air Brake, with 1989 sales of approximately $100 million is a leading manufacturer of braking systems and related hardware for freight cars and rail transit cars.

General Signal Corporation, with 1989 sales of $1.74 billion, is a leading

manufacturer of equipment and systems for the process control, electrical, semiconductor, telecommunications, and transportation industries.

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#90295p7648 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

BASKING RIDGE, NJ (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - NYCOR, Inc. (NASDAQ: NYCO) today announced that the board of directors unanimously has adopted a proposal, subject to stockholder approval, to create a new class of stock that should further enhance the company's ability to make acquisitions.

NYCOR's principal objective is acquiring and operating one or more businesses. It is expected that the use of the new class of stock will facilitate larger acquisitions than are currently possible, given the company's current ownership structure. The new class of stock also will provide equity for financings and employee benefits, while preserving the current relative voting power of the holders of the company's common and Class B stock.

Upon approval by the stockholders, the proposal will create a new class of stock, Class A stock, which will have rights, including dividend rights, substantially identical to the common stock, except that the Class A stock will not be entitled to vote except to the extent provided under Delaware law. The Class A stock will automatically be converted into common stock whenever all of NYCOR Class B stock converts into common stock.

The proposal authorizes 100 million shares of Class A stock. The company expects the Class A stock will be eligible to trade in the NASDAQ National Market System.

NYCOR stockholders of record on Nov. 2, 1990 will be entitled to vote on the proposal at a special meeting that is expected to be held on Dec. 14, 1990. It is intended that proxy solicitation materials regarding the proposals will be mailed to stockholders on or about Nov. 9, 1990.

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#90295p7649 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHEAT RIDGE, CO (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesa Medical Inc. (NASDAQ: MSMD) today reported an increase of more than 200 percent in net income for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, net sales rose 39 percent to $1,591,000 from $1,141,000 for the like period last year. Net income for the first six months rose to $290,000 or seven cents per share from $94,000 or two

cents per share in the like period last year.

In the fiscal second quarter, net sales rose four percent to $758,000 from $729,000 for the like quarter last year. Net income for the fiscal second quarter rose to $145,000 or three cents per share from $78,000 or two cents per share in the prior year quarter.

Luke Schmieder, president, reported that customer testing of two new prototypes of the DataTrace(R) Micropack Tracer proceeded satisfactorily during the second quarter and is expected to carry on into the third quarter. If successful, orders for the new instruments are expected by the end of the fiscal year.

Schmieder also announced that effective Oct. 16, 1990, the common stock of Mesa Medical will appear in the Additional NASDAQ Quotes (Additional List), which appears daily in such publications as The Wall Street Journal and Investor's Daily.

Mesa Medical develops, acquires, manufactures, and markets medical products used in kidney dialysis and sensor products for industrial and transportation applications.

CONTACT: Luke R. Schmieder of Mesa Medical Inc., (303) 431-4474.

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#90295p7650 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN MATEO, CA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Electronic Arts (NASDAQ: ERTS) today announced its second quarter fiscal year 1991 operating results. Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $24,313,000 compared to $17,305,000 in the second quarter of fiscal 1990, an increase of 40 percent. Revenues for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $41,342,000 compared to $30,957,000 in the same period last year.

Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,705,000, up 55 percent from the $1,097,000 earned in the second quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $2,891,000 compared to $1,922,000 in the first six months of fiscal 1990, an increase of 50 percent. Earnings per share for the second quarter were 17 cents compared to 13 cents in the same quarter of the prior year, an increase of 30 percent. Earnings per share for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were 29 cents compared to 24 cents in the same period in fiscal 1990.

Growth in the September quarter was primarily due to the first full quarter of shipments of two Sega(R) Genesis(R) products introduced in June, and the shipments in September of a third Genesis title, Zany Golf(TM), and the first title for the Nintendo Entertainment System(R), Skate or Die(R) 2. EA's core computer software business showed year over year growth on the strength of new

16-bit titles and the bundling of PGA Tour(R) Golf(TM) on selected models of the IBM PS/2(R).

Trip Hawkins, president and CEO of Electronic Arts, said, "We are pleased with the strong initial results of Sega Genesis products and our first full quarter as a participant in the videogame market. These results, combined with renewed growth in the demand for recreation software on 16-bit computers, confirm our belief in our strategy to lead the 16-bit entertainment software market."

ELECTRONIC ARTS
EARNINGS ANNOUNCEMENT, Q2 FISCAL 1991
Condensed Statements of Income (Unaudited)
(In thousands except per share data)

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,		6 Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Revenues	$24,313	$17,305	$41,342	$30,957
Cost of sales	14,437	9,728	23,941	16,493
Gross profit	9,876	7,577	17,401	14,464
Operating expenses:				
Marketing & sales	3,339	2,546	6,202	4,847
General & administrative	1,990	1,647	3,619	3,154
Research & development	2,287	1,606	3,887	3,478
Total operating expenses	7,616	5,799	13,708	11,479
Operating income	2,260	1,778	3,693	2,985
Interest & other income (expense), net	383	(30)	794	(53)
Income before income taxes & extraordinary item	2,643	1,748	4,487	2,932
Provision for income taxes	938	683	1,596	1,130
Extraordinary item -- NOL carryforward	--	32	--	120
Net income	$1,705	$1,097	$2,891	$1,922
Earnings per share	$0.17	$0.13	$0.29	$0.24
Weighted average shares outstanding	10,030	8,191	10,080	8,117

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)
(In thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
ASSETS		
Cash & cash equivalents	$19,761	$22,023
Accounts receivable, net	17,620	10,506
Inventories	8,951	5,344
Prepaid royalties	1,541	1,170
Other current assets	1,078	750
Total current assets	48,951	39,793
Furniture & equipment, net	2,029	2,208

Prepaid royalties	1,294	1,234
Other assets	3,890	3,576
Total Assets	$56,164	$46,811
LIABILITIES & SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Accounts payable	$10,622	$5,804
Accrued liabilities	8,838	8,217
Total Current Liabilities	19,460	14,021
Other liabilities	120	206
Common stock	20,888	20,423
Retained earnings	15,354	12,463
Translation adjustment	342	(302)
Total Liabilities & Shareholders' Equity	$56,164	$46,811

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#90295p7657 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGH POINT, NC (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - LADD Furniture, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: LADF) today reported net sales of $123.0 million for the three months ended September 29, 1990, down from $132.2 million in the year-earlier third quarter. Net earnings for the quarter declined to $1.0 million, or $.06 per share, from $2.9 million, or $.15 per share, in the same period of fiscal 1989.

For the nine months ended September 29, 1990, net sales rose to $398.1 million from $322.4 million a year earlier. The nine-month sales increase reflected LADD's acquisition of the former Maytag Furniture Group on July 7, 1989. Net earnings for the first nine months totaled $7.1 million, or $.38 per share, down from $15.6 million, or $.83 per share, in the comparable year-earlier period.

LADD chairman and chief executive officer Don A. Hunziker attributed the lower third quarter results to a continuing decline in furniture industry order rates, combined with increased promotional activity and aggressive inventory reduction efforts by the various LADD operating companies. "Given the very cautious outlook apparently shared by a majority of American consumers and substantial current uncertainties with regard to the U.S. budget deficit and Middle East situations," Hunziker said, "we anticipate a continuation of very competitive industry conditions and reduced order rates during the final quarter of 1990 and into the first part of 1991. In this kind of environment " he added, "LADD management will continue to focus heavily on cost cutting and inventory reduction and on capital projects aimed at improving manufacturing efficiency."

Vice chairman Richard R. Allen said third quarter profit margins were pressured by sluggish sales. "Intense competitive price discounting and promotion reduced both net sales and operating margins during the quarter, as

the various LADD operating companies responded to prevailing industry conditions," he said. "As a result, earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT) represented 4.3 percent of this year's third quarter net sales and 5.8 percent of nine-month net sales, down from year-earlier levels of 6.7 percent and 9.2 percent, respectively."

Vice chairman O. William Fenn, Jr. said LADD's operating companies reduced inventories by almost $6 million during the third quarter, bringing total inventories down to $92.2 million at the end of the period from $97.9 million at mid-year. "Until such time as basic business conditions begin to show signs of improvement," he said, "we will continue to work on bringing inventories into line with current sales volumes and order rates." Fenn added that LADD has been aggressively consolidating its manufacturing operations during 1990 and should accordingly benefit from strong operating leverage during the industry's next upward cycle. "However," he said, "these efforts have so far been masked by declining sales volumes and continuing margin pressure."

LADD chief financial officer Frederick L. Schuermann said the corporation's total debt was reduced by $8.2 million during the third quarter as a result of operating cash flows, the sale of an idle manufacturing plant and inventory reductions. Commenting on the debt reduction, Schuermann said, "As of September 29, 1990, LADD's long-term debt of $131.5 million represented 48.2 percent of total capitalization -- down from $205.0 million, or 59.9 percent of total capitalization, at the end of 1989's third quarter." Schuermann added that this debt reduction will result in further decline interest expense in the final quarter of 1990.

Headquartered in High Point, N.C., LADD is one of the largest U.S. residential furniture manufacturers, marketing its broad range of wood, upholstered and metal furniture to both residential and contract customers under the major brand names American Drew, American of Martinsville, Barclay, Brown Jordan, Clayton-Marcus, Daystrom, Design Horizons, Lea Industries and Pennsylvania House. LADD also owns and operates two support companies, Lea Lumber & Plywood and LADD Transportation and its stock is traded on the over-the-counter National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol LADF.

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Dominion Resources, Inc. (DRI) (NYSE: D) today increased the quarterly common stock dividend by 3 cents per share, raising the dividend from 83 cents to 86 cents, or $3.44 on an annual basis.

Dividends are payable December 20 to holders of record at the close of

business November 30.

This represents the 10th consecutive year in which the dividend has been increased and is the 251st consecutive dividend to be paid by Dominion Resources and its predecessor company. DRI's last quarterly dividend increase was announced October 28, 1989.

Separately, Virginia Power's board of directors declared regular quarterly dividends on its 18 series of preferred stock, also payable December 20 to holders of record at the close of business November 30.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE: KLT) announced today that it is extending its all cash, fully financed tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE). The offer and withdrawal rights will now expire at 7 p.m., New York City time, on Nov. 30, 1990, unless the offer is further extended.

Kansas City Power & Light has been informed by the depositary that to date approximately 14,638,473 shares of Kansas and Gas and Electric Common Stock, 40,437 shares of Kansas Gas and Electric 4-1/2 percent Preferred Stock, 33,162 shares of Kansas Gas and Electric 4.32 percent Preferred Stock and 24,733 shares of Kansas Gas and Electric 4.28 percent Preferred Stock have been tendered to Kansas City Power & Light. The shares of common stock tendered represent approximately 47 percent of Kansas Gas and Electric's outstanding common shares.

On July 23, 1990, Kansas City Power & Light commenced an all cash, fully financed tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of Kansas Gas and Electric. The offer price of $27 per share for the common stock, approximately $857 million in the aggregate, represents a 37 percent premium over the market price of Kansas Gas and Electric common stock on July 20, 1990, the last trading day prior to the commencement of Kansas City Power & Light's offer.

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MERRIMACK, NH (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Termiflex Corporation (NASDAQ: TFLX)

today announced net sales were $2,241,238 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 an increase of 8 percent as compared to $2,082,861 a year ago. Profits increased sharplY to $177,690 or 13 cents per share, as compared to $13,303, or 1 cent per share, last year.

"The improvement in our profit performace this quarter is a direct result of our continued concentration on selling more of our core product to key customers and prospects while at the same time carefully containing costs in all of our activities," reported Bill Fletcher, president.

Termiflex Corporation designs, manufactures and markets rugged handheld terminals used for operator interface, data acquisition and service with microprocessor-based commercial, industrial and military equipment.

TERMIFLEX CORPORATION
Summary of Earnings
Three Months Ended

	9/30/90	9/30/89	
Net sales	$2,241,238	$2,082,861	
Net earnings	$ 177,690	$ 13,303	Net earnings
per share	13 cents	1 cent	Shares
outstanding	1,322,294	1,318,217	

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#90295p7667 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Unitog Company (NASDAQ: UTOG) announced today that based on new information received by the company in the third quarter from its workers' compensation insurance carrier, Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company, it has revised its estimates of workers' compensation expense, This change in estimates will result in a pre-tax charge to earnings of approximately $1.6 million in the third quarter ending Oct. 28, 1990.

The charge represents the amount by which current estimates of workers' compensation expenses for injuries sustained in fiscal 1989 and 1990 and the first two quarters of fiscal 1991 exceed the amounts expensed for such periods. Of the total charge, approximately $300,000 relates to fiscal 1989 injuries, $625,000 relates to fiscal 1990 injuries and $675,000 relates to injuries sustained in the first two quarters of the current fiscal year. The charge to be made in the third quarter and the accruals expected to be made for the third and fourth quarters will reduce third and fourth quarter earnings and will increase the company's reserves to the maximum amount currently payable under the company's workers' compensation policies for fiscal 1990 and 1991.

The company also said it expects its third quarter results to be adversely

affected by reductions in margins related to the recent softness in the economy and associated cost increases. A mid-October price increase was implemented in the rental division.

As a result of the charge and reduction in margins, the company said it expected to show a small loss for the third quarter. Actual results for the quarter will be released in the middle of November.

THe company said that it expected fourth quarter earnings for fiscal 1991 to exceed fourth quarter earnings in fiscal 1990.

Unitog also announced that it has recently completed the acquisition of Sexton Industrial Uniforms, located near Huntsville, Ala. This operation serves the northern portion of Alabama and is expected to generate annual revenues of approximately $2.5 million.

Unitog Company, based in Kansas City, provides uniforms and other rental services to a variety of industries and sells custom-designed uniforms. The company manufactures substantially all the uniforms it rents or sells.

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#90295p7673 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Early indications show the Mercury Tracer is on its way to becoming an outstanding success in both quality and sales, said a top Lincoln-Mercury executive.

"Tracer is more than holding its own against the competition in what is recognized as the most competitive segment in the automobile business today," said Ross Roberts, Ford vice president and general manager of Lincoln-Mercury Division.

"Our share of the subcompact car segment jumped 35 percent in September, which is a tremendous accomplishment considering sales in that segment were down 21 percent compared with 1989. And, we accomplished this despite the fact that production of the new Tracer was not up to full speed yet."

And although a swing toward smaller cars because of rising gasoline prices is not evident yet, Tracer sales and production figures indicate Lincoln-Mercury is perfectly positioned to meet consumer needs if demand does shift, Roberts told news media representatives here today.

In September, Lincoln-Mercury sold more Tracers than it did in the same period last year, the first time the all-new 1991 Tracer has surpassed the previous year's monthly sales mark since its June 1990 introduction. Coincidentally, last month's mark was the highest monthly showing for Tracer since September 1989.

In the Los Angeles area, Tracer sales in September were up 13 percent over heavily rebated, year-ago sales, Roberts noted. The Tracer registered its best retail sales month of 1990 in the Los Angeles area in September, he said.

Production is finally accelerating to the point where dealer inventory is sufficient to meet customer needs, he said.

"From all indications, October will be even better," Roberts said. "Our daily selling rate in September was nearly triple the rate in June."

Although a comprehensive study of Tracer quality will not be available until November, initial telephone surveys show the satisfaction levels among early buyers of the 1991 Tracer are equal to the preceding model, which had the highest quality of any Ford product built in North America, Roberts said.

Recently, Ford's Hermosillo (Mexico) Stamping and Assembly Plant, exclusive producer of the Tracer as well as some Ford Escort models, was accorded kudos by a team of professors from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

In the book "The Machine That Changed the World," a recently published five-year study of 80 automobile plants worldwide, Ford's Hermosillo plant was rated the best in quality.

"That's a high honor," Roberts said. "And when the quality results come in November, I'm confident Tracer will retain its high quality status, which is on a par with the best the world has to offer."

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FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Newport Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: NEWP) today announced that earnings in the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, will be below analysts' expectations and the level of the prior year's first three month performance.

Tom Galantowicz, Newport's president, said: "Uncertainties over the 1991 federal budget are resulting in customers delaying R&D- related equipment purchases until budget questions are resolved. Another factor influencing first quarter earnings is the sharp drop in equities markets which negatively impacts our marketable securities portfolio.

"We believe budget uncertainties will be resolved soon," Galantowicz concluded "with subsequent improvement in our domestic order rate. European sales in the first quarter are running at a strong pace over the comparable period of last year, helping make up for what we see as a temporary domestic market downturn."

Newport Corp. is the leading worldwide manufacturer and marketer of a comprehensive line of precision instruments, components and accessories for the laser and electro-optical and biomedical markets. Customers include Fortune 500 corporations, national research laboratories, government and educational institutions.

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ST. PAUL, MN (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - 3M (NYSE: MMM) today reported record sales and earnings for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30 increased 9.4 percent to $336 million, or $1.52 a share. That compared with $307 million, or $1.37 a share, in the same quarter last year. Per-share earnings rose 10.9 percent. Sales for the quarter rose 11.6 percent to $3.343 billion.

For the first nine months, net income increased 6.4 percent to $1.013 billion, or $4.57 a share, up from $952 million, or $4.29 a share, in the same period last year. Sales rose 7.8 percent to $9.741 billion.

Allen F. Jacobson, chairman and chief executive officer, said results for the quarter benefited from continued strong international growth, weakening of the U.S. dollar and a lower effective tax rate.

3M's international unit volume rose 13 percent from the same quarter last year. This marked the company's 11th consecutive quarter of double-digit volume gains abroad. International markets accounted for 48 percent of 3M sales during the quarter.

The company estimates that currency effects increased third-quarter earnings by about $13 million, or 6 cents a share. This offset negative currency effects of essentially the same amount in the first half of this year. A lower tax rate also contributed about 6 cents a share to third-quarter earnings.

Domestically, 3M's unit volume increased three percent, faster than the growth of the U.S. economy. Growth was led by the company's Electro Products, TelComm Products, Pharmaceutical, and Dental Products, and Traffic and Personal Safety Products groups. 3M said it expects higher full-year sales and profits, but indicated that fourth-quarter results will be influenced by the sluggish U.S. economy.

"Our U.S. business began to feel the effects of the slowing U.S. economy in September," Jacobson said. "Our international volume growth remains good, but probably won't match the third quarter's 13 percent gain." He noted that, in

the fourth quarter of last year, 3M's international unit volume rose 16 percent, so comparisons are difficult.

On the other hand, fourth-quarter results will benefit from continued weakness of the U.S. dollar, a slightly lower tax rate and ongoing productivity-improvement efforts, he said.

The company's finances remain strong. As of Sept. 30, total debt was 27 percent of stockholders' equity, well below the average for U.S. companies. 3M's debt is rated triple-A, the highest rating.

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MIAMI LAKES, FL (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Culminating a year-long relationship which included a joint venture agreement, Oak Tree Construction Computers, Inc. (NASDAQ: AOAK) today announced the signing of a letter of intent to acquire 100 percent of the stock of First Security Funding, Inc., Fort Worth, Texas, a major national processor/funder of medical insurance receivables, in a stock and note transaction which places the principals of First Security in a control position, according to a joint statement by Irwin B. Stack, chairman of Oak Tree and D.R. Smith, president of First Security Funding. The acquisition is subject to a definitive contract which is scheduled to be signed within three weeks.

"Current annual processing contracts in hand exceed $200,000,000 in medical receivables," stated Smith, "however, we anticipate substantially increasing that volume within the first quarter of 1991 which should reflect in a significant return to profitability by the new Oak Tree," he concluded.

"Both firms bring to the table a variety of business, finance and computer talents that are specifically required for the growth of this business," stated Stack. In addition, several of the more productive dealer representatives of Oak Tree have already been assimilated into the First Security network, presenting a most formidable front line rapport with the medical community," he concluded.

Oak Tree, founded in Nashua, N.H., originally marketed its own line of computer hardware and software to the construction industry, primarily in New England. The severe decline of that industry led the company to abandon that direction and seek new business avenues.

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MIAMI (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - In celebration of 35 years of service to the United States, Lufthansa has organized a six-month U.S.A. Tour for the "oldest" member of its fleet. The German flag carrier will provide a glimpse of what passenger air travel was like 50 years ago on board Luftansa's vintage Junkers Ju52 (Registration: D-AQUI), nicknamed "Iron Annie" while it was based in Florida before Lufthansa bought it. The Ju52 has embarked on a six-month, 27-city tour which began in July 1990 and ends in January 1991.

The 1936 vintage aircraft crossed the Atlantic onboard the Soviet cargo plane Antonov and arrived in Montreal, Quebec on June 25. It was reassembled, checked and test flown before crossing the border for participation and display at the 38th Annual International Convention and Sport Aviation Exhibition at Oshkosh, Wis. from July 27 to Aug. 2.

After her American debut at Oshkosh, the Ju52 continues her journey visiting all of Lufthansa's 12 U.S.A. gateways where she will be available for public viewing.

At 62 feet in length, a wing span of 96 feet, and a height of 20 feet, the first models of the three-engine Junkers Ju52 were built in 1932. The plane type was one of the most popular European aircraft of its time, comparable to the American DC3. Because of a reputation for durability and reliability, the Ju went on to form the backbone of Lufthansa's fleet, and by 1940, Lufthansa owned over 80 Ju52s.

Put into service by the old Luft Hansa on April 10, 1936, the Ju52 D-AQUI has endured a number of lifestyles -- from commercial and military service in Norway, to passenger and freight transport in the jungles of South America, where it was badly mistreated, poorly maintained and abandoned in 1962 at the edge of Quito airport in Ecuador.

In late 1984, Lufthansa purchased the Ju52, which was then called "Iron Annie " from an American aviation enthusiast in Florida who had acquired her in 1975. After a 16-day, 10,000 mile North Atlantic crossing in winter, without benefit of cabin heating or de-icing equipment, the Ju52 was meticulously restored at the airline's maintenance base in Hamburg, West Germany. The restoration work, completed in 1986, took 18 months, and on April 6, 1986, the Ju52 made its second maiden-voyage -- this time under the official name "Berlin-Tempelhof."

Celebration of Lufthansa's 60th Anniversary in 1986, led the airline to establish a foundation whose mandate calls for the maintenance and up-keep of this special aircraft, which represents an exceptional period in the history of aviation. The Junkers Ju52 U.S.A. Tour is an example of Lufthansa's commitment to keep aviation history alive, and serves to commemorate 35 years of service to the United States which began June 5, 1955.

No visit to the United States would be complete without a visit to the state of Florida -- the Ju52's home for many years. Lufthansa's Ju52 will spend three weeks in Florida, where it can be seen at airports in Jacksonville, Orlando, Palm Beach, Boca Raton, Fort Lauderdale, Opa Locka, Miami, Tamiami, Marco Island, Tampa and Tallahassee. The Ju52 will be on static display for the general public and will also be made available as a community relations tool, by offering seats for short scenic flights to non-profit, cultural or community groups for fundraising purposes.

Lufthansa's 16-seater Ju52, one of only a handful remaining today of the 5,000 built, has logged 1,100 hours of flight time in four years of new life as "the oldest" airplane in the fleet. In contrast, Lufthansa's modern fleet of over 150 aircraft, averages under seven years of age.

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DALLAS (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors today announced American Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: ARB) will hold its annual meeting of shareholders on Dec. 5, 1990, in Dallas.

Shareholders of record Nov. 1, 1990, are eligible to vote on issues including the election of directors and authorization of a one-for-three reverse split of the company's common stock.

American Realty Trust, Inc. is a real estate investment trust which primarily invests in mortgage loans, real estate and real estate-related entities.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Telesphere Communications Inc. (AMEX: TSP) expects revenues in 1990 to be more than $300 million, compared to 1989 revenues of $192 million, security analysts were told today.

Included in the 1990 projection is about $50 million additional revenue in the fourth quarter, which will result from Telesphere's recent acquisition of National Telephone Services (NTS).

Net income for the year is expected to be significantly above the $800,000 earned in 1989.

Harry Thompson, Telesphere's chairman, told analysts that the effects of the

NTS acquisition are already being felt. For example, NTS's long-distance traffic has been flowing over Telesphere's network for several months, which will significantly reduce costs. In addition, Telesphere has begun utilizing NTS's well-established operator centers, thus reducing the cost of operator-assisted calls. Both Telesphere and NTS have large shares of the operator services offered to the hospitality industry. Combined, they are expected to be the second- largest firm in this segment. Moreover, the combined companies should achieve increased profitability as corporate overhead is reduced.

"The company's continued growth in revenue and earnings over the last two years is a clear reflection of our strategy to sharply focus on three specific market segments," Thompson told analysts at a meeting held at the American Stock Exchange. "Telesphere is the market leader in providing programs through its interactive/900 system, is one of the two largest providers of long-distance services to the hospitality industry and has a growing share of the long-distance business for small companies."

About 48 percent of Telesphere's revenue comes from its interactive/900 services; 40 percent from serving the hospitality industry and about 12 percent from its network services.

Telesphere Communications Inc. operates a nationwide, state-of-the- art digital fiber optic network over which it provides long-distance, operator, interactive/900 and other enhanced telecommunications services.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Charter One Financial, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: COFI), holding company for The First Federal Savings Bank, today reported record net income for the third quarter of $5.43 million (77 cents per share), a 17 percent per share increase over last year, and a record $13.95 million ($1.96 per share) for the year-to-date.

Charles John Koch, president and chief executive officer, attributed the all-time high results to substantially improved core earnings that reflect the acquisition of Broadview Federal Savings Bank in the second quarter.

Earnings, net of gain on sales of securities, amounted to $0.67 per share for the quarter versus $0.39 per share a year ago, a 72 percent increase. In addition, after-tax gains on sale of securities decreased 60 percent and contributed $0.10 per share for the 1990 quarter compared with $0.27 per share in the comparable 1989 period.

Financial Highlights:
- 72 percent increase in core earnings over the 1989 quarter.
- 22 percent increase in net income to $5.4 million over the 1989 quarter.
- 55 percent increase in net interest income over the 1989 quarter.
- 58 percent increase in other income over the 1989 comparable period, including loan service, tax-deferred annuities and checking account fees.
- Seven percent increase in net yield on interest-earning assets to 2.67 percent from 2.50 percent in the second quarter of 1990.
- 15 percent increase in dividends in the last year.

"The consolidation of Broadview into The First Federal Savings Bank is essentially complete and we are pleased with the progress," Koch said. "With a full quarter behind us, we find that the high quality loan portfolio we acquired has yielded even better results than we originally expected."

He continued, "Although operating expenses are higher this year than in the 1989 third quarter, most of the increase is due to the acquisition of Broadview. The effects of consolidation should moderate operating expenses in the fourth quarter with further improvement appearing in the new year. Additionally, there were approximately $625,000 in nonrecurring costs in the third quarter associated with the acquisition." He added that First Federal's capital position exceeds all fully-phased in 1993 capital requirements.

Koch said, "Our loan portfolio remains strong, with over 80 percent of the total secured by residential mortgages. Unlike other geographic regions, consumer demand for loans in Ohio has not deteriorated.

The Ohio housing market continues to show steady appreciation because it is still valued at levels significantly below other regions." He added that assets classified as non-performing remained essentially unchanged during the third quarter, at a low 1.16 percent of the total.

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#90295p7693 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Restaurant Associates Corp., a major restaurant and foodservice company, is promoting three key executives, according to Max Pine, president and CEO.

Nick Valenti advances to executive vice president of Restaurant Associates Corp. and continues in his role as president of the RA Restaurant Group, consisting of 45 restaurants, and as a member of the executive committee.

Valenti will maintain his current management duties and will assume additional responsibility for Charlie Brown's and The Office restaurant chains. With 28 units, Charlie Brown's is New Jersey's dominant restaurant chain. Plans are also under way for the expansion of both Charlie Brown's and The Office, which currently has five units. Sales for the combined RA Restaurant Group and The Office and Charlie Brown's division will be in excess of $175 million.

Additionally, Pine announced that Phillip Ratner, president and CEO of RA's chain of Acapulco restaurants becomes executive vice president of Restaurant Associates Corp. and remains a member of the executive committee. Acapulco operates 50 Mexican dinner houses in California, including the recently acquired 10-unit El Paso Cantina chain which is being converted to the Acapulco concept. Sales for the two chains are approximately $85 million.

At the Restaurant Associates corporate office, the financial and accounting staff will report to Rich Stockinger, vice president-finance. Stockinger will assume additional responsibility for EDP and risk management and will become a member of the executive committee.

In other corporate developments, Jim Beltrame, executive vice president and chief financial officer of Restaurant Associates Corp., and Dan Andrus, president of Charlie Brown's and The Office, have resigned from the company to pursue other interests.

In accepting the resignations of Beltrame and Andrus, Pine noted the many contributions of both executives. Under Andrus' leadership since 1980, the Charlie Brown's chain grew from nine to 28 units. Beltrame had been the CFO for the past six years, playing a vital role in the growth of the company and its recent acquisition by Kyotaru Ltd.

"It has been my great pleasure to work with Jim and Dan over many years," said Pine. "Each has made an enormous contribution to Restaurant Associates and our future growth will reflect their achievements.

"Restaurant Associates presently operates 120 restaurants with nearly 40,000 seats in several key markets concentrated on the East and West coasts, with approximately $260 million in annual sales. In New York City, the company operates such prestigious and popular restaurants as The SeaGrill, American Festival Cafe, Mamma Leone's, Tropica, Trattoria and the round-the-clock Brasserie.

Through its Restaurant Services division, the company provides restaurant-quality dining in cultural institutions such as The American Museum of Natural History, The Metropolitan Museum of Art and Lincoln Center as well as for clients including the Chemical Bank World Headquarters, The United Nations and U.S. Trust.

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LONDON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Thomas Cook Group Limited and Vivre Travel Limited, a member company of The Saison Group of Japan, have signed an agreement in principle to operate a joint venture travel business in Japan covering both corporate and leisure travel. Vivre Travel is a major retailer of travel products with sales in excess of U.S.$350 million.

Saison Thomas Cook, the new joint venture company, is expected to begin operating next April after the signing of a definitive agreement scheduled for early 1991.

The Saison Group, established in 1940, has annual sales of more than U.S.$28 billion. Apart from travel, its diverse interests range from the retail industry -- including the Seibu department stores -- to real estate, credit, insurance, manufacturing, air transport and restaurants. The Group is the joint owner of the Inter-Continental Hotel chain with Scandinavian Airlines System (SAS), and the owner of Seiyo Continental Hotels.

The Thomas Cook Group, founded in 1841, is a global travel and financial services company based in the United Kingdom. A wholly owned subsidiary of Midland Bank plc, the Thomas Cook Group operates in 120 countries specializing in business and leisure travel, travelers cheques and foreign exchange. Annual sales exceed U.S.$20 billion.

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VALLEY FORGE, PA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - NovaCare, Inc. (NASDAQ: NVCR) today announced results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net revenues aggregated $31,557,000, an increase of 46 percent over net revenues for the same period a year ago. Gross profit for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased by 41 percent to $11,747,000 or a 37 percent gross profit margin. Income from operations for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 totaled $6,122,000 a 58 percent increase over income from operations for the same period a year ago. As a percent of net revenues, income from operations increased from 18 percent to 19 percent. Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was a record $.28 per share compared with $.17 per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

C. Arnold Renschler, president and chief operating officer stated that,

"Revenue growth and improved operating margins resulted from therapist recruiting performance and turnover reductions which continue to surpass company expectations, coupled with administrative cost controls. As expected, gross profit margins declined by 1 percent on a year-to-year basis because of somewhat lower productivity stemming from a very high influx of new hires." He further stated, "With the passing of our peak hiring period, productivity is returning to higher levels."

John H. Foster, chairman and CEO stated that, "The company is extremely well positioned for both the near and long-term. Proposed reductions in Medicare expenditures are expected to have minimal if any impact on our operations. After retiring our commercial debt, the company will have a very strong balance sheet with more than $35 million in cash items. The general economic slowdown is having a favorable impact on our ability to hire and retain therapists. And finally, demand for therapy services continues to grow as evidenced by increases in the number of open positions for which the company is seeking therapists."

NovaCare, Inc. is the largest provider of contract rehabilitation therapy services to the healthcare industry and the only provider of such services on a national basis.

NOVACARE, INC.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except share related data)

Three months ended	Sept. 30		June 30
	1990	1989	1990
Net revenues	$31,557	$21,684	$30,191
Cost of services	19,810	13,349	18,723
Gross profit	11,747	8,335	11,468
Selling, general & admin.	5,625	4,471	5,465
Income from operations	6,122	3,864	6,003
Other expense (net)	(170)	(189)	(161)
Income before taxes	5,952	3,675	5,842
Income taxes	1,943	1,304	1,927
Net income	4,009	2,371	3,915
Net income per share	$.26	$.17	$.27
Wtd. average no. of shares outstanding	14,566,246	14,053,504	14,468,017

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA) has issued civil complaints with assessed penalties totaling $566,000 against eight facilities in Arizona and California for alleged violations of the reporting requirements of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA).

The complaints allege failure to report on 1987 and 1988 emissions of a variety of toxic chemicals, and assess penalties ranging from $210,000 to $34,000.

"Companies should not confuse the requirement to report total chemical emissions with other provisions of EPCRA that focus on emergency planning," said David P. Howekamp, director of the air and toxics division of EPA's western regional office.

"Companies that violate the law will be severely penalized and must suffer the financial consequences. The proposed penalties have been assessed against these eight facilities because they failed to estimate and report releases of toxics to the air, land and water," Howekamp added.

Following are the facilities cited, the products they manufacture, the penalty proposed and the chemicals they failed to report:

VLSI Technology Inc., San Jose, Calif., which manufactures semiconductors; proposed penalty of $210,000, for not reporting emissions of acetone, ethylene glycol, hydrogen fluoride, nitric acid, phosphoric acid, sodium hydroxide, sodium sulfate, sulfuric acid, and glycol ethers.

Sun Land Beef Co., Tolleson, Ariz., which manufactures meat products; proposed penalty of $84,000, for not reporting emissions of ammonia and sodium hydroxide.

Novacap Inc., Burbank, Calif., which manufactures ceramic chips; proposed penalty, $68,000 for not reporting emissions of 1,1,1-trichloro-ethane and trichloroethylene.

Steris Laboratories, Glendale, Ariz., which manufactures pharmaceuticals; proposed penalty of $68,000 for not reporting emissions of sodium hydroxide and hydrochloric acid.

Steris Laboratories, Phoenix, Ariz., which manufactures pharmaceuticals; proposed penalty $34,000, for not reporting emissions of sodium hydroxide.
Silicon General, Garden Grove, Calif., which manufactures silicon wafers; proposed penalty of $34,000, for not reporting emissions of xylene.

Carnation Co., Phoenix, Ariz., which manufactures ice cream and juices; proposed penalty of $34,000, for not reporting emissions of ammonia.
Sundstrand Corp., Phoenix, Ariz., which manufactures aerospace and electronics equipment; proposed penalty of $34,000, for not reporting emissions of

1,1,2-trichloro-1,2,2-tri-fluoro-ethane.

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GREENVILLE, SC (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - First Federal Savings and Loan Association of South Carolina (The First) (NASDAQ-NMS: FTSC) today reported record first quarter earnings since becoming a public financial institution in 1983.

Net earnings for the first quarter were $1.7 million or $.36 per share, compared to a net loss of $356,000, or $.07 per share for the same period last year.

"Improved net interest income and lower general and administrative expenses were the primary factors which contributed to improved earnings," stated H. Ray Davis, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer.

The interest rate spread increased from 2.32 percent at September 30, 1989 to 2.83 percent at September 30, 1990, which resulted in interest income of $13.9 million for the quarter, up from $10.8 million one year ago.

A generally soft economy and concerns over the Mid-East crisis are having a major impact on mortgage lending volume while consumer and commercial activity remains fairly constant. Combined consumer, commercial and mortgage loan origination volume amounted to $214.8 million for the current period, compared to $200.8 million last year.

"Asset quality continues to be one of our major priorities," stated Davis. "Our non-performing assets decreased slightly from $48.6 million at September 30, 1989 to $48.2 million at September 30, 1990, or 2.10 percent of total assets with a goal of one percent," Davis further added.

During the quarter, the Mt. Pleasant office was relocated to a new facility with full retail banking and mortgage loan services plus four drive-up banking lanes and the Association's first drive-up 24-hour (ATM) Automatic Teller Machine. In addition, there is 1,500 square feet of lease space available in the new classic Williamsburg style building.

At quarter end, assets were $2.291 billion with stockholders' equity of $97.2 million or $20.59 book value per share and tangible net worth (less goodwill) of $65.2 million or $13.80 book value per share. With an increase in stockholders' equity of $6.2 million since September 30, 1989, The First continues to meet the new capital requirements.

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LUMBERTON, NC (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern National Corporation's (NASDAQ-NMS: SNAT) long and storied history added a new chapter today with the naming of L. Glenn Orr, Jr. to the company's top post. Orr, 50, becomes the second chairman in the corporation's history,
replacing Hector MacLean, who is stepping down after 35 years as the company's leading executive.

The board of directors approved Orr's nomination during its regular October meeting. Orr will assume MacLean's titles of chairman, president and chief executive officer of the corporation and will continue to operate as chairman and chief executive officer of the company's chief subsidiary, Southern National Bank of North Carolina. MacLean was named chairman emeritus of the corporation.

"I firmly believe the future for Southern National is bright and its potential unlimited," Orr said. "This company realized significant growth and earnings during the 1980s and I wouldn't expect anything less during the next decade."

The Lumberton, N.C.-based company has grown six-fold since 1980 when assets were $550 million. Today, with $3.4 billion in assets, Southern National is the sixth largest bank holding company in North Carolina and the fifth largest bank holding company in South Carolina.

Established in 1897 as the Bank of Lumberton, Southern National was co-founded by Hector MacLean's father Angus McLean, a former North Carolina governor. Hector MacLean took the helm in 1955 when he was named chairman of Southern National Bank of North Carolina. He was named chairman of Southern National Corporation when it was formed as a bank holding company in 1969.

Orr joined Southern National in 1982 through the merger of The Forsyth Bank and Trust Company in Winston-Salem, a bank he had served as president and chief executive officer since its beginning in 1973. Three years later, Orr was promoted to the top post at Southern National Bank of North Carolina, becoming the seventh chief executive officer in the bank's history.

"We knew when we bought Forsyth Bank that Southern National was getting one of the top bankers in this area of the country," MacLean said. "I have complete faith that Glenn is the right person to lead this company into the next century."

Orr, a former president of the North Carolina Bankers Association, is a graduate of Wofford College in Spartanburg, S.C., his native town. He holds a

Master of Business Administration degree from the University of South Carolina at Columbia.

With 25 years banking experience, Orr started his career with Wachovia Bank & Trust Company in Winston-Salem in 1965 and worked his way to vice president before leaving in 1972 to become president of Community Bank in Greenville, S.C. In 1973, Orr moved back to Winston-Salem, this time as president of Forsyth Bank and Trust Company.

Currently, Orr is a member of the Government Relations Council of the American Bankers Association and serves as chairman of the Legislative Affairs Committee for the North Carolina Bankers Association. He is a board member of the Lineberger Cancer Research Center at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and sits on the Board of Trustees of Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem. He is actively involved as a member of the executive board of the Cape Fear Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Orr is married to the former Ruthlee Phillips of Charlotte. They have three children: Mollie, Laney III and Jenny. Orr is the son of Mildred R. Orr of Spartanburg and the late Laney G. Orr.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Airborne Freight Corp. (NYSE: ABF), which operates under the trade name Airborne Express, today said earnings and revenues increased substantially for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues rose 27 percent to $302,248,000 from $237,501,000 in the same quarter in 1989. Net earnings available to common shareholders increased 87 percent to $9,917,000, or 54 cents per share, compared to $5,291,000, or 37 cents per share, for the same period last year.

For the nine-month period, earnings available to common shareholders were $25,804,000, or $1.51 per share, a 109 percent gain from the $12,326,000, or 87 cents, reported for the first nine months of 1989. Nine-month revenues increased 26 percent to $864,902,000, compared to $687,878,000 for the same period last year.

"The gains in revenue and earnings are attributable to a continuation of the strong domestic growth we have experienced, improving international margins, and productivity gains," said Roy Liljebeck, chief financial officer.

Domestic shipments for the quarter increased 35 percent to 22,164,000, and for

the nine months domestic shipments reflected a 37 percent gain to 63,225,000. Domestic revenue growth for the quarter and nine months increased 32 percent in both periods.

On the international side, shipments for the quarter increased 17 percent to 580,000, with the small package Express component increasing 22 percent.

While international revenue grew at a more modest rate of seven percent to $48,189,000, the gross margin on international traffic increased 18 percent as a result of the stronger growth rate in the higher yielding Express area. Liljebeck noted, however, that the company's performance is being impacted by escalating fuel prices resulting from the Persian Gulf crisis.

"We're facing the same problems that all carriers have experienced. The average price paid for jet fuel in the third quarter was 14-1/2 cents higher than in the same quarter of 1989, and had the effect of lowering this year's quarterly net earnings by eight cents per share. Further, the jet fuel price as we begin the fourth quarter is approximately 60 percent higher than the average for the third quarter," he said.

As a result, Airborne has announced that, beginning Nov. 1, it will assess all customers a fuel surcharge of four percent on domestic traffic and five percent on international express shipments.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Tribune Company (NYSE: TRB) net income for the third quarter was down 39 percent to $38.2 million from $62.7 million. The decline primarily reflected operating losses at Quebec and Ontario Paper Company and the New York Daily News. Primary net income per share was $.52, down 36 percent from $.81 in the same period last year.

For the first three quarters, net income was down 27 percent to $127.9 million from $174.8 million. On a per share basis, primary net income for the first three quarters was $1.73, a 24 percent decline from $2.27 last year.

Revenues were essentially unchanged for the quarter at $588 million and were up two percent for the first three quarters to $1.8 billion. Operating profit was down 33 percent for the quarter and 25 percent for the year to date to $72.7 million and $236.7 million, respectively.

Newspaper Publishing

Newspaper publishing operating profit declined 15 percent for the quarter to $48.4 million from $56.7 million, primarily due to increased operating losses at the Daily News. The News' losses resulted from declining revenues due to

weak economic conditions in the New York market and from the burdensome cost structure that is the subject of continuing labor negotiations. Operating profit for the remainder of the newspaper group was down slightly for the quarter.

Third quarter newspaper revenues were unchanged at $376 million. Advertising revenues were down two percent to $275 million. Retail and classified advertising revenues declined two percent and six percent, respectively, while general advertising revenues rose six percent. Circulation and other revenues were up six percent.

Broadcasting and Entertainment
Operating profit for the broadcasting and entertainment group declined nine percent for the quarter to $37.9 million from $41.6 million. A slight improvement in both television and radio did not offset lower entertainment results.

Broadcasting and entertainment revenues for the quarter rose six percent to $172 million. Television revenues were up 11 percent, radio up one percent and entertainment down three percent.

Newsprint Operations
For the third quarter, Q&O reported an operating loss of $8.3 million versus an operating profit of $15.2 million last year. The loss primarily was due to strikes at the company's two newsprint mills. During the quarter, strikes by the Canadian Paperworkers Union shut down the Quebec newsprint mill for 31 days and the Ontario mill for 47 days. On Sept. 11, Q&O reached contract agreements with unions at the Quebec newsprint mill. The strike continues at the Ontario mill.

Third quarter revenues for the newsprint group were down 45 percent to $59 million on a 46 percent decline in newsprint tons shipped.

Dividends on the preferred stock net of related tax benefits were $4.3 million for the quarter. After deducting these preferred dividends, net income attributable to common shares was $33.9 million, down 42 percent from last year.

Tribune Company is a diversified media company engaged in newspaper publishing broadcasting and entertainment production and newsprint manufacturing.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Conquest Exploration Company (AMEX: CQX)

today announced the signing of a definitive merger agreement under which Conquest Exploration will be acquired by American Exploration Company (AMEX: AX). The terms of the agreement call for American to pay $1.90 per share in cash for approximately 12 percent of Conquest's common stock and to exchange 0.44 shares of American Exploration's common stock for each remaining share of Conquest's common stock. Currently Conquest has 44,468,814 shares of common stock outstanding.

In addition, American Exploration has entered into an agreement with The Dyson-Kissner-Moran Corporation (DKM) pursuant to which American Exploration will purchase five million shares of Conquest's voting preferred stock held by DKM for $21 million. The Conquest preferred held by DKM, which was issued in 1986, has a liquidation preference of $23.75 million and constitutes all of the outstanding preferred stock of Conquest. DKM has also agreed to vote its approximately 10,317,400 shares of Conquest common stock, and its preferred stock, in favor of the acquisition. DKM's interest represent approximately 30 percent of Conquest's outstanding voting stock. As part of the transaction, American Exploration will also assume approximately $55 million of Conquest's debt.

Based on American Exploration's closing stock price of $4.25 per share on Friday, Oct. 19, the transaction has a value of approximately $160 million. The acquisition is subject to approval by the shareholders of both companies. The meetings will occur promptly after definitive proxy materials have been approved by the SEC. The transaction is also subject to certain regulatory approvals and the satisfaction of other customary conditions.

American Exploration is an independent oil and gas company engaged in the acquisition and further development of oil and gas properties and in the production of oil and gas. When combined with the recent Hershey Oil acquisition, American Exploration's proved reserves at year-end 1989 were 9.9 million barrels of crude oil and 184 Bcf of natural gas or approximately 244 Bcf equivalents. In addition, American Exploration has 84,700 net undeveloped acres in North America.

At year-end 1989, Conquest Exploration reported proved reserves of 6.4 million barrels of crude oil and 112.2 Bcf of natural gas or approximately 151 Bcf equivalents. Conquest also had approximately 222,300 net undeveloped acres in North America and an aggregate of approximately 3,666,000 net undeveloped acres in three international concessions.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Representatives of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation (FDER)

and the U.S. Navy will sign federal facility agreements Oct. 23 in Tallahassee Fla. which establish procedures for the investigation and remediation of past hazardous waste disposal sites at Cecil Field Naval Air Station in Jacksonville, Jacksonville Naval Air Station and the Naval Air Station in Pensacola.

The Navy will spend more than $100 million for studies and cleanup at the facilities.

Federal facility agreements are three-party agreements negotiated under Section 120 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (Superfund) for investigation and remediation of hazardous substances at federal facilities.

Signing the agreements leading to cleanup of contaminated sites at the three facilities will be Jacqueline E. Schafer, assistant secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment), Greer C. Tidwell, EPA regional administrator, and Dale Twachtmann, secretary of the FDER.

Naval aircraft and engines are maintained and repaired at the air stations. Site contaminants include waste oil, solvents, paints and spilled fuel.

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FREMONT, MICH. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Gerber Products Company (NYSE: GEB) today announced (unaudited) record sales and earnings for the second fiscal quarter and six months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Earnings from continuing operations for the quarter increased 16.9 percent to $31,720,000, or $.84 per share, from the $27,128,000 or $.72 per share for the second quarter of the prior year.

Sales for the quarter rose 1.0 percent to $293,580,000 from $290,651,000 for the comparable quarter last year.

For the six months, earnings from continuing operations increased 17.1 percent to $62,987,000, or $1.67 per share, from $53,787,000, or $1.42 per share. Sales for the six months rose 6.3 percent to $589,486,000 compared with $554,538,000 reported for the first six months of the prior fiscal year.

In the second quarter, Gerber Products Division operating profits increased by 9.3 percent on slightly higher sales. The operating profit improvement resulted from enhanced margins and ongoing cost control programs, offset in

part by lower food volume.

Apparel Group sales and operating income declined slightly as strong sales and earnings reported by Gerber Childrenswear and Buster Brown were more than offset by lower sales and operating losses from the company's outerwear operation. Steps taken during the past year to help Weather Tamer regain its position as a leading provider of children's outerwear have achieved only limited success to date, due in part to an extremely weak retail outerwear market.

In the company's remaining operations, significant earnings advancement was reported by Gerber Life, while International's operating income was comparable to last year.

Al Piergallini, chairman, president, and chief executive officer, said, "Our continuing efforts to improve margins and control expenses has enabled the Gerber Products Company to achieve record earnings in spite of a 6-percent volume decline in baby foods during the second quarter. Continued productivity improvements and expense containment, along with anticipated increases in baby food volume in the second half of the year, are expected to contribute to another record year for our company."

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SANFORD, N.C. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - TRION, INC. (NASDAQ-NMS: TRON) announced third quarter and nine months results as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$6,573,000	$9,183,000	$27,279,000	$31,158,000
Net Income (Loss)	$ (844,000)	$ 101,000	$(1,250,000)	$ 1,345,000
Net Income (Loss) Per Share	$ (.14)	$ .02	$ (.20)	$ .22

Hugh E. Carr, President, said "The low shipment volume caused by deteriorating economic conditions, quality problems with appliance models made in the People's Republic of China and new product start-up expenses were the principal causes of the net losses. Although we cannot predict when economic conditions will improve, warranty returns are slowing and major new product investments are behind us."

Trion specializes in the design, manufacture and sale of indoor air cleaning equipment.

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#90295p7726 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - ARCO (NYSE: ARC) today reported 1990 third quarter net income of $462 million, or $2.79 per share, compared with $379 million, or $2.19 per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

The 1990 third quarter results include approximately $80 million in net after-tax gains resulting from a settlement with SONAT related to an offshore accident and the sale of ARCO's Norwegian assets, partially offset by charges for future environmental expenditures, the settlement with the State of Alaska over major royalty issues, and other charges. Excluding these special gains and charges, ARCO's earnings would have been $382 million, essentially flat compared with last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, ARCO's net income was $1.45 billion, or $8.70 per share. In the first nine months of 1989, ARCO had net income of $1.55 billion, or $8.87 per share.

Return of ARCO stockholders' equity for the past 12 months was 27.1 percent.

Lodwrick M. Cook, ARCO chairman and chief executive officer, said: "The third quarter reflects the impacts of the rise in crude oil prices resulting from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent loss of a significant amount of crude oil and refined product supply from world markets.

"In light of this uncertainty, ARCO made every effort to moderate prices to our dealers. In response to President Bush's appeal, we froze gasoline prices for two weeks and promised not to increase the wholesale price of gasoline beyond increases that occur in our refineries' crude oil costs. ARCO continues to be the low price leader.

"We are hopeful that the Middle East crisis will end soon, and peacefully, and that crude oil markets can return to normal."

ARCO's worldwide oil and gas exploration and production operations earned $396 million after tax in the 1990 third quarter, up from $188 million in the 1989 third quarter.

The average price for ARCO's domestic crude oil in the quarter was $16.89 per barrel, compared with $12.97 per barrel in last year's third quarter. Average domestic natural gas prices were $1.44 per thousand cubic feet versus $1.52 per thousand cubic feet in the 1989 period.

ARCO's worldwide production of crude oil and natural gas liquids averaged 684,800 barrels per day in the 1990 third quarter, down from 713,700 barrels

per day in 1989's third quarter. The decline was caused primarily by reduced production in Alaska as a result of the production payback associated with equity redetermination for the Kuparuk River field, scheduled field and pipeline maintenance, and natural field decline. In response to the president's request for increased domestic oil production, ARCO has announced it is expediting its well stimulation program to accelerate oil production from the Prudhoe Bay Field in Alaska.

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MELVILLE, N.Y. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the Allen Group Inc. (NYSE: ALN) reported earnings of 35 cents per common share -- a record for earnings in any third quarter. This is compared to 15 cents per common share for the same period last year.

Philip Wm. Colburn, chairman and chief executive officer of Allen, said, "All but one of our divisions recorded increases in both sales and earnings as compared to the third quarter of last year. The company also completed three small transactions during the quarter which broaden our participation in three of our existing business areas."

The results of the 50 percent partnership with Handy & Harman in the automotive aftermarket heat transfer business (GO/DAN Industries) are being accounted for on the equity basis of accounting. Therefore, GO/DAN's sales are not included in Allen's reported sales. As a result, sales for the quarter were 15 percent lower than in the third quarter of last year, wile net income rose to 5.3 percent of sales from 2.5 percent.

Earnings from continuing operations for the first nine months of 1990 were $1.22 per common share, more than double the earnings of $.59 per common share from continuing operations for the same period in 1989.

The Allen Group is a manufacturer and marketer of automotive products, including automotive test equipment, automated manufacturing equipment, truck components, and mobile communications antennas and accessories.

THE ALLEN GROUP INC.
Comparative Results of Operations
(Unaudited; amounts in thousands)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Product sales	$75,433	$88,184	$267,203	$266,621
Lease finance income	3,835	2,465	9,592	6,926
Total revenues	79,268	90,649	276,795	273,547

Cost of sales	48,568	61,342	174,637	180,613
Operating expenses	23,945	23,327	78,540	73,120
Interest & financing expense	2,909	2,511	8,309	8,205
Equity in earnings of joint ventures	1,408	--	1,408	--
Income before taxes	5,254	3,469	16,717	11,609
Provision for inc. taxes	1,270	1,282	3,370	3,782
Inc. from cont. opers.	3,984	2,187	13,347	7,827
Gain on disposal of discontinued operations(A)	--	--	--	8,855
Net income	3,984	2,187	13,347	16,682
Income applicable to common stock	2,978	1,181	10,329	13,664
Income per common share				
Primary:				
From continuing opers.	$.35	$.15	$1.22	$.59
Gain on disposal of discontinued opers.(A)	--	--	--	1.08
Net income	.35	.15	1.22	1.67
Fully diluted:				
From continuing opers.	.35	.15	1.22	.76
Gain on disposal of discontinued opers.(A)	--	--	--	.86
Net income	.35	.15	1.22	1.62

(A) -- In 1989 the company sold its specialty rubber products business resulting in this gain.

(B) -- The Federal District Court in San Francisco issued a final judgment on Jan. 19, 1990, that certain heavy duty truck radiators manufactured by the G&O Manufacturing Company division of the company willfully infringed a patent held by Modine Manufacturing Company and awarded Modine approximately $17.2 million in damages including prejudgment interest. The company has appealed this judgment to the Federal Circuit Court in Washington, but no decision on the appeal has been rendered. The company has determined that it is not possible, at this time, to estimate the amount of damages, if any, that may ultimately be incurred; accordingly, no provision has been made in its consolidated financial statements with respect to this contingent liability.

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SUGAR LAND, TX (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - BMC Software, Inc. (NASDAQ: BMCS) today reported revenues of $31,503,000 for the second quarter of its 1991 fiscal year ending March 31, 1991, a 50 percent increase over revenues of $21,049,000 for the same period in fiscal 1990. Net income increased 55

percent to $6,953,000 ($.28 per share) compared to $4,484,000 ($.18 per share) for the same quarter in fiscal 1990.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 50 percent to $58,505,000 from $39,084,000 for the same period last year. Net income for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, rose 54 percent to $12,902,000 ($.52 per share) compared to $8,351,000 ($.34 per share) for the comparable period last year.

"Worldwide demand for both our IMS and DB2 data base products continues to be strong," said Max Watson, president and chief executive officer. "Customers realize that they need a vendor with products that can span multiple strategic mainframe data base systems. BMC is unique in the position of supporting all of IBM's strategic data bases."

North American license revenues for the second quarter increased to $11,181,000, up 44 percent over $7,777,000 for the second quarter of fiscal 1990. International license revenues were $9,508,000 for the second quarter, a 44 percent increase from the fiscal 1990 second quarter. During the second quarter, BMC announced the general availability of Recovery Plus and introduced a new version of 3270 SuperOptimizer(R)/VM.

BMC Software, Inc., an international company headquartered in the Houston suburb of Sugar Land, develops, markets and supports systems software products to enhance IBM's data base management and data communication systems, principally IMS, DB2 and CICS.

BMC currently markets a total of 42 products to customers in 42 markets. The firm's international subsidiaries are located in Melbourne, Australia; Copenhagen, Denmark; Camberley, England; Paris, France; Milan, Italy; Tokyo, Japan; Madrid, Spain, and Frankfurt, Germany. BMC is represented by independent agents in Brazil, South Korea, and Yugoslavia.

NOTE: IBM is a registered trademark of International Business Machines Corp. DB2 is a trademark of IBM Corp.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - ARCO (NYSE: ARC) directors today declared regular quarterly dividends on three classes of the company's stock.

A dividend of $1.25 a share was declared on common stock payable Dec. 15 to stockholders of record Nov. 16.

A dividend of 75 cents a share was declared on $3 Cumulative Convertible Preference Stock payable Dec. 20 to stockholders of record Nov. 16.

A dividend of 70 cents a share was declared on $2.80 Cumulative Convertible Preference Stock payable Dec. 20 to stockholders of record Nov. 16.

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LIVINGSTON, NJ (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Howard Savings Bank (NASDAQ: HWRD) today reported a loss of $109 million, or $7.59 per share, for the third quarter of this year, compared to 1989 third quarter earnings of $6 million, or $.42 per share.

For the first nine months of 1990, the Howard posted a net loss of $142.2 million, or $9.90 per share, compared to net income of $19.2 million, or $1.33 per share for the same period in 1989.

William P. Tuggle III, who joined the Howard as chairman and chief executive officer August 13 of this year, attributed the third quarter loss primarily to a $100 million addition to the bank's allowance for loan and lease losses in the quarter. He said that this provision was a "prudent response to deteriorating real estate markets" and "reflects an added allowance for previously identified problem loans."

Other factors which adversely affected the bank's third quarter results were a decline in net interest income as a consequence of a higher level of non-performing loans, an increase in other expenses largely relating to real estate workouts, and losses on real estate development properties.

Non-performing assets were $653.3 million, or 13.6 percent of total assets, at Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of $109.8 million since June 30 of this year. The bank's allowance for loan losses was $193.9 million at the end of the third quarter of 1990, compared with $122.6 million at June 30 of this year and $84.9 million at year-end 1989.

"Our main goal is to restore the bank's non-earning assets to performing status," Tuggle said. "In addition, we are concentrating on the reduction of expenses and increased productivity," he added.

Since Jan. 1 of this year the bank has reduced its work force by 14.6 percent through early retirement, job elimination and attrition, Tuggle said. He noted that this, together with other expense cuts and productivity gains that have been instituted, will result in an estimated annual savings of approximately $10 million.

In May, the bank reported that it had entered into a memorandum of understanding with its regulators. Consistent with that memorandum of understanding, the bank has submitted a capital plan for regulatory approval. The capital plan provides for the bank to meet capital ratios targeted in the memorandum of understanding by downsizing the bank, reducing expenses and resolving problem assets.

Tuggle said that a strategy is being developed which includes selling branches and cutting costs to meet the provisions of the capital plan. That strategy contemplates building on the Howard's traditional, historic strengths as a financial institution directed toward consumer banking.

At the end of the third quarter, the bank's primary capital ratio was 6.49 percent which exceeds the regulatory minimum. The memorandum of understanding also provides that the Howard will take steps so that its primary capital ratio will be at least 7.0 percent at Dec. 31, 1990 and at least 7.5 percent after Dec. 31, 1991.

Shareholders' equity was approximately $144.1 million, or $10.03 per share, at the end of the third quarter. The bank's total assets were $4.8 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, down 5 percent from a year ago. Deposits were $4.5 billion at both Sept. 30, 1990 and Sept. 30, 1989.

THE HOWARD SAVINGS BANK AND SUBSIDIARIES
Summary Financial Statistics
(Dollars in thousands except per share data)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Earnings:				
Total interest income	$102,850	$119,271	$316,472	$359,845
Total interest expense	82,571	86,548	247,350	254,444
Net interest income	20,279	32,723	69,122	105,401
Provision for loan losses	100,008	6,458	154,556	18,507
Non-interest income	(551)	9,447	16,879	29,144
Non-interest expense	39,619	27,648	106,634	87,810
Income(loss)bef inctaxes	(119,899)	8,064	(175,189)	28,228
Income taxes (benefit)	(10,884)	2,016	(33,000)	9,037
Net income (loss)	(109,015)	6,048	(142,189)	19,191
Net income (loss)/share	($7.59)	$0.42	($9.90)	$1.33
Performance Ratios: For the Period:				
Interest rate spread(FTE)	1.59 pct	2.58 pct	1.79 pct	2.77 pct
Net interest margin (FTE)	1.81 pct	2.99 pct	2.06 pct	3.16 pct
At Period End:				
Primary capital ratio	6.49 pct	8.00 pct	6.49 pct	8.00 pct
Risk-based capital ratio	4.93 pct	8.49 pct	4.93 pct	8.49 pct
Book value per share	$10.03	$26.17	$10.03	$26.17
As of Sept. 30				
Loans	$3,743,644	$3,794,428	$3,743,644	$3,794,428

Total Assets	4,798,947	5,054,115	4,798,947	5,054,115
Deposits	4,460,147	4,504,433	4,460,147	4,504,433
Shareholders' Equity	144,064	375,899	144,064	375,899
Number of common shares	14,365,221	14,365,221	14,365,221	14,365,221
Average Balances:				
Loans	$3,778,079	$3,777,936	$3,740,829	$3,702,062
Total Assets	4,901,058	4,951,031	4,935,011	4,984,955
Deposits	4,462,640	4,402,712	4,481,660	4,411,494
Shareholders' Equity	247,869	377,451	268,861	371,883

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PUNTA GORDA, FLA. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - PGI Incorporated (AMEX: PGA), a West Coast Florida residential community developer and home builder, announced that the semi-annual interest payment on its publicly held 6 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 1992 will not be paid on the due date of Nov. 1, 1990. The indenture provides a 30-day grace period for the payment of the interest.

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GREENWICH, CT (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pittston Company (NYSE: PCO) today reported third quarter net income of $26.4 million or 71 cents per share, significantly greater than the strike-impacted third quarter 1989 net income of $3.1 million or 8 cents per share. Earnings for the year-to-date totalled $35.6 miilion compared with $22.6 million for the first nine months of 1989. For the two calendar quarters of operations this year since the end of the coal strike, net income totalled $45.7 million or $1.23 per share, as improving efficiencies and competitive positioning at each of Pittston's businesses reinforced the movement to higher corporate earnings that commenced in March.

Paul W. Douglas, chairman and chief executive officer, said he was pleased with the operating performance of each of the company's four business units, all of which improved further on the good results achieved in the previous quarter. Douglas made the following additional comments concerning third quarter operations:

A. Coal Coal operating earnings amounted to $14.4 million in the third quarter compared with $13.3 million in the second quarter. Third quarter

earnings were adversely impacted by about $1.8 million as a result of a short-term downward pricing adjustment, which ended Oct. 1, under the provisions of a long-term utility contract.

The Pyxis Coal Group achieved excellent operating results, while the Pittston Coal Group continued to benefit from the strong relationship that has developed with both the leadership of the UMWA and the company's UMWA employees as the provisions of the new labor agreement are being progressively implemented.

While the long-term fundamentals of coal markets both here and abroad continue to improve, with expanded opportunities arising from the higher price of oil and the assumed implementation of proposed acid rain legislation, near term pricing is weak reflecting higher than desired utility stockpiles. Coal sales in the third quarter amounted to 4.5 million tons including 2.0 million tons of metallurgical coal sold in the overseas market. Coal production for the quarter totalled 4.0 million tons.

B. Air Freight

Third quarter operating profits at Burlington Air Express totalled $9.7 million reflecting modest real improvement compared with third quarter 1989 earnings of $9.2 million, and planned seasonal growth compared to second quarter 1990 earnings of $5.6 million, all despite extraordinary increases in jet fuel costs following the Persian Gulf crisis. Burlington applied a fuel surcharge to its North American air freight pricing in late August and has recovered most, but not all, of the increases in jet fuel costs to date.

Burlington's earnings improvement primarily reflects the benefits of service and productivity enhancements and tight cost controls. Load factors on Burlington's controlled air lift were at record levels in the third quarter and benefitted from density gains and oeprating improvements at the company's hub in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Burlington's international growth continued with the establishment of operations in Kuala Lumpur and Penang, Malaysia, and with the completion of a joint venture in Taiwan. Revenues from international transactions increased 20 percent compared to the third quarter of 1989. Revenues from normal air freight activities in the United States also increased, although special air charter activities were substantially below year-earlier levels, and Burlington's ocean freight business was divested at the beginning of 1990.

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#90295p7743 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHERRY HILL, NJ (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - SAI Group Inc. (OTC) today announced the postponement of its special meeting of shareholders scheduled to be held

on Thursday, Oct. 25.

The company said the postponement was caused by continuing delays in processing the proxy materials to be furnished to shareholders for the special meeting at which the shareholders will consider the proposed merger of the company into Proteq International Marketing B.V. Because of the postponement of the special meeting, a new record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the special meeting must also be set.

The company said it hopes the special meeting can be rescheduled in November and it will announce the date of the meeting and the record date as soon as it is in a position to mail proxy materials to its shareholders.

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#90295p7746 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, N.J. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - A Texas subsidiary of Ogden Environmental Services, Inc. (OES), a wholly owned subsidiary of Ogden Projects, Inc. (OPI) (NYSE: OPI), has entered into an agreement and plan of merger with American Envirotech, Inc. (AEI), a Houston, Texas-based corporation which is developing a project in Houston to destroy hazardous waste through high-temperature incineration. Financial details of the agreement have not been disclosed.

AEI has been issued an initial draft RCRA (Resource Conservation and Recovery Act) Part B permit by the Texas Water Commission to build and operate a hazardous waste disposal facility on property owned by AEI on the Houston Ship Channel. OES management and environmental specialists will assist AEI management in the final permitting process for the proposed facility.

OES will bring its expertise in the safe handling and management of hazardous and industrial wastes to bear on the construction and operations of the facility, which will utilize proven rotary kiln technology with advanced pollution control equipment to destroy RCRA liquid, solid and sludge wastes from industrial generators.

According to Brian Delle Donne, president of OES, the facility will be built at an estimated construction cost of $60 million, and could be operational by 1993, depending on the timing for issuance of final state and local permits. "This facility will add approximately 155,000 tons per year of badly needed hazardous waste disposal capacity to serve Harris county and the Texas market " said Delle Donne.

Headquartered in San Diego, Calif., OES is a leading provider of hazardous waste services to government and industry in the remediation of contaminated

sites utilizing highly advanced thermal treatment technology. OPI, through its subsidiary, Ogden Martin Systems, Inc., is the nation's leading builder and operator of solid waste-to-energy facilities serving counties and municipalities nationwide. OPI is 85.6 percent owned by Ogden Corporation.

Headquartered in New York, Ogden Corporation (NYSE: OG) is a diversified services company which also has major subsidiaries engaged in the provision of energy and environmental consulting and provides a wide range of services to the federal government. In other service activities, Ogden Entertainment Services is a leader in the management of sports and entertainment centers and the promotion of live entertainment events, and Ogden's Aviation Services division is a leading international provider of support services to the airline industry.

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#90295p7753 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTVALE, NJ (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Datascope Corp. (NASDAQ: DSCP) today announced receipt of FDA approval for its MICROSSR over-the-wire catheter for coronary angioplasty (PTCA). The company also announced that it has filed a Pre-Market Approval (PMA) supplement with the FDA to seek approval for its MICROSS-SLTM, a new state-of-the- art, over-the-wire catheter.

The company also said that the PMA application for its INTEGRATM catheter is scheduled to be presented to an FDA Panel meeting on Monday, Oct. 29, 1990. Assuming a favorable panel recommendation and no extraordinary delay in receiving FDA approval, the company would expect to begin marketing the INTEGRA in the United States in early calendar 1991.

The company noted that the INTEGRA offers functional advantages of both types of currently available catheters, having the ultra low profile of the fixed-wire catheter and the freely rotatable guidewire of the over-the-wire catheter. As such, the company believes the INTEGRA gives Datascope a natural market entry opportunity in the treatment of more demanding clinical problems in PTCA, an estimated $60 million market segment presently served by fixed-wire catheters.

Since PMA supplement approval generally takes less than six months, the company expects its MICROSS-SL to be on the market not long after the INTEGRA. The combination of the MICROSS-SL and INTEGRA catheters will give Datascope access to the entire estimated $400 million PTCA market.

Datascope Corp. is a manufacturer of proprietary products for clinical health care markets in interventional cardiology, anesthesiology, and cardiovascular and vascular surgery.

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#90295p7758 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Fibres Inc. (NASDAQ: CFIB) announced today that Laura B. Resnikoff has resigned as chairman of the board, chief executive officer and president of the company and its subsidiaries.

Donald W. Phillips has been named chairman of the board and Sheli Z. Rosenberg has been named president.

Phillips and Rosenberg will continue as members of the board of directors.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Joy Technologies Inc. announced today that the board of directors has declared a quarterly dividend of $.8125 per share on its exchangeable redeemable preferred stock.

Payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 1, 1990, the dividend will be paid in additional shares of stock.

Joy Technologies Inc., a Pittsburgh-based company, is a worldwide producer of capital equipment for mining, air pollution control and other industrial applications.

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Tandy Brands, Inc. (AMEX: TAB) reported that its continuing operations, The Bombay Company, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 reported a loss before extraordinary item of $24,000 compared to prior year income of $187,000 or $.04 per share. The discontinued operation, Tandy Brands Accessories, that is proposed to be spun off to shareholders on Dec. 31, 1990, reported income of $389,000 or $.06 per share compared to prior year income of $731,000 or $.14 per share.

Net sales for The Bombay Company increased 26.1 percent to $26,220,000 for the quarter. Comparable store sales for the quarter decreased by 3.2 percent compared to the prior year. The store network was increased by 13 stores to 285.

TANDY BRANDS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

First quarter ended	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$26,220	$20,800
Income (loss) before inc. taxes	$ (30)	$ 330
Provision (credit) for inc. taxes	(6)	143
Income (loss) from cont. operations	(24)	187
Income from discont. operations	389	731
Income before extraordinary item	365	918
Extraordinary item	--	451(A)
Net income	$ 365	$ 1,369
Average common shares and common equivalent shares outstanding	6,356	5,164
Net income (loss) per average common share and common equivalent share: Primary:		
Income (loss) from cont. operations	$ --	$ .04
Income from discontinued operations	.06	.14
Income before extraordinary item	.06	.18
Extraordinary item	--	.09
Net income	$ .06	$ .27
Fully-diluted:		
Income (loss) from cont. operations	$ --	$ .04
Income from discont. operations	.06	.12
Income before extraordinary item	.06	.16
Extraordinary item	--	.07
Net income	$ .06	$ .23

A -- Extraordinary item relating to the estimated income tax benefit resulting from utilization of net operating loss carryforwards.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Frederick's of Hollywood Inc. (AMEX: FHO) today announced that the board of directors has declared a $.035 per share semi-annual cash dividend, payable Dec. 19, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 19, 1990.

George W. Townson, chairman and chief executive officer, said the cash dividend marks the sixth semi-annual payment since the company resumed cash dividends in June 1988. Frederick's currently has 5.6 million shares outstanding, following a three-for-two stock distribution effective June 15, 1990.

Frederick's currently operates 184 specialty boutique stores in 37 states and a mail-order division serving customers in all 50 states.

CONTACT: George W. Townson or John B. Hatfield of Frederick's of Hollywood Inc., 213-466-5151, or Roger S. Pondel of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Frederick's of Hollywood

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BOCA RATON, FL (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - First Medical International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HUGE), has signed a financial advisory and investment banking agreement with Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. Inc., a member of the New York and American Stock Exchanges, with seats on all other major exchanges.

"We are especially proud to be associated with Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co., a New York based investment firm founded and prospering since the mid 1800s," said FMI's CEO, Roberto Riva. "This quality association should contribute to enhancing FMI stockholders' equity, while assisting First Medical with an aggressive merger and acquisition program in the medical and medical environmental fields," he said.

Ladenburg, Thalmann has its principal office at 540 Madison Ave. in New York, with additional U.S. offices in Boston, Los Angeles and Miami. Underwriting many millions in securities annually, the firm is also a major market maker in hundreds of over-the-counter equity securities. Ladenburg, Thalmann offers a comprehensive range of corporate finance services including mergers and acquisitions, divestitures, restructurings, leveraged buy-outs, private placements and public offerings of debt and equity and project finance.

First Medical International (formerly known as Humagen, Inc.) has recently acuired three emerging growth companies: MedTex, a proprietary medical waste disposal company based in Lansing, Mich.; the Boca Raton-based Cardio Scan, an established company specializing in Holter Monitor EKG and EEG testing; and International Distribution Network, Inc., an international distributor ofart of a consistent business strategy aimed at focusing solely on those operations that currently have, or are capable of attaining, the critical mass required to ensure the profit objectives of the company on a sustainable basis. These businesses have been unprofitable and were not forecasted to grow in accordance with our targeted objectives."

General Signal Corporation, with 1989 sales of $1.74 billion, is a leading manufacturer of equipment and systems for the process control, electrical, semiconductor, telecommunications and transportation industries.

GENERAL SIGNAL CORPORATION
Consolidated Financial Highlights
(Unaudited; in thousands except per-share data)

Three months ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989(A)	Pct. Chng.
Net sales	$412,830	$431,195	(4.3)
Operating earnings	29,571	35,805	(17.4)
Gain (loss) on dispositions	--	--	--
Pretax earns. from contin. opers.	21,215	26,640	(20.4)
Earns. from contin. operations	15,690	18,722	(16.2)
Discont. opers., net of applicable income taxes	(9,250)	(799)	N.M.
Net earnings	6,440	17,923	(64.1)
Earnings per share:			
Continuing operations	$.81	$.98	(17.3)
Discontinued operations	(.48)	(.04)	N.M.
Net	.33	.94	(64.9)
Average common shares	19,258	19,066	

Nine months ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989(A)	Pct. Chng.
Net sales	$1,278,692	$1,310,821	(2.5)
Operating earnings	101,337	107,636	(5.9)
Gain (loss) on dispositions	(60,000)	3,151	N.M.
Pretax earns. from contin. opers.	17,839	79,647	(77.6)
Earns. from contin. operations	19,499	55,826	(65.1)
Discont. opers., net of applicable income taxes	(14,699)	583	N.M.
Net earnings	4,800(B)	56,409(C)	(91.5)
Earnings per share:			
Continuing operations	$1.02(B)	$2.93(C)	(65.2)
Discontinued operations	(0.77)	0.03	N.M.
Net	.25(B)	2.96(C)	(91.6)
Average common shares	19,178	19,047	

(A) -- 1989 restated to reflect discontinued operations. Figures in parentheses are losses.

(B) -- Reflects after-tax effect of loss on dispositions of $38.1 million, or $1.99 per share.

(C) -- Reflects after-tax effect of gain on disposition of $2.1 million, or $.11 per share.

Sector Performance
(Unaudited; in thousands)

Three months ended Sept. 30:	1990		1989	Net Sales:
Process controls	$182,600	$185,600	$540,600	$556,500
Electrical controls	127,900	109,600	374,900	334,200
Industrial technology	102,300	112,200	349,900	329,000
Dispositions	--	23,800	13,300	91,100
Net	412,800	431,200	1,278,700	1,310,800
Operating Earnings:				
Process controls	17,200	22,500	59,200	65,200

Electrical Controls	11,700	12,800	38,300	37,800
Industrial technology	3,900	8,400	21,600	25,600
Dispositions	--	(3,000)	(7,900)	(5,500)
Total oper. earns. bef. corporate expenses & equity income	32,800	40,700	111,200	123,100

Consolidated Balance Sheet
(Unaudited; in thousands)

Periods ended:	9/30/90	12/31/89
Current assets:		
Cash and short-term investments	$15,688	$24,389
Accounts receivable, net	328,291	348,189
Contract in progress	19,211	36,265
Inventories	296,024	324,329
Prepaid expenses	34,623	22,892
Deferred taxes	20,440	17,923
Net assets held for sale	132,581	--
Net	846,858	773,987
Property, plant and equipment, net	294,720	325,060
Investments, intangibles and other assets, net	265,672	225,294
Net	1,407,250	1,324,341
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity Current liabilities:		
Notes payable and current maturities of long-term debt	19,866	9,630
Accounts payable	142,919	146,150
Accrued expenses	223,700	203,426
Income taxes	60,512	85,956
Net	446,997	445,162
Long-term debt less current maturities	415,408	331,164
Other non-current liabilities	45,836	41,906
Shareholders' equity	499,009	506,109
Net	1,407,250	1,324,341

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GREENSBORO, N.C. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Fieldcrest Cannon, Inc. (NYSE: FLD) today announced sales and earnings for the third quarter of 1990. A loss of $6.2 million, or 60 cents per share, was incurred in the quarter. This compares to net income of $4.5 million, or 44 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989. The third quarter of 1990 includes severance costs of $2.2 million which decreased net income $1.4 million or $.13 per share.

Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $313.5 million compared to $342.3

million in the third quarter of 1989. Bed and bath division sales increased 10 percent from the 1989 level. Carpet and rug division sales decreased four percent from the same period last year.

Bed and bath division operating results were significantly impacted by lower sales, reflecting a continued weak market environment. The lower sales levels and an inventory reduction program required curtailed mill operating schedules that resulted in substantial idle capacity costs. Margins were also affected by the disposal of higher levels of off-good merchandise than during the same period last year. These lower margins were partially offset by cost savings initiated during the quarter.

The carpet and rug division recorded a small profit in the third quarter, compared to a loss last year. The market for carpets is also weak and price competition has not permitted margin improvement. The improved operating performance was the result of cost reductions.

For the first nine months of 1990, sales were $904.2 million compared to $985 million in the corresponding period a year ago. A loss of $11.9 million, or $1.15 per share, for the first nine months of 1990 compares to net income of $15.2 million, or $1.48 per share, for the first nine months of 1989.

Efforts to reduce operating costs and inventory levels are continuing. Cost containment measures include the inventory reduction program, staff reductions carpet operation consolidations and the towel modernization program.

The consolidation of tufted carpet operations at Georgia Rug Mill, Lyerly, Ga. has proceeded as scheduled resulting in improved efficiencies and increased carpet mill activity. The towel weaving modernization project at the Dumaine Plant, Fieldale, Va., is nearing completion. Significant cost savings are anticipated when the startup phase has past.

Fieldcrest Cannon, Inc., manufactures and markets bed and bath products under the Fieldcrest, St. Marys, Royal Family, Monticello, and private brand labels. Carpet and rug division products include woven and tufted carpets and rugs marketed under the Karastan, Bigelow, Sanford, Cannon and private brand labels.

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#90295p7771 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANDOVER, MA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Vicor Corporation (NASDAQ: VICR) today announced its financial results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Pretax income for the quarter increased 227 percent to $2,335,000 compared with $714,000 for the corresponding period a year ago. Earnings per share for the quarter were 15 cents compared with 6 cents last year. Revenues for the quarter increased 46 percent to $9,737,000 compared with $6,662,000 for the

same period last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, pretax earnings increased by 92 percent to $5,220,000 compared to $2,719,000 in the 1989 period. Earnings per share were 35 cents compared to 20 cents per share for the same period in 1989. Revenues increased by 18 percent to $25,820,000, compared to 1989 revenues of $21,806,000.

The increase in income in the current quarter resulted primarily from improved margins on increased revenues. Higher gross margins offset spending increases associated with ongoing expansion in sales and marketing, and expenses incurred in preparation for the ceased public offering of the company's common stock.

Vicor Corporation designs, manufactures and markets modular power system components and complete power systems. Headquartered in Andover, Mass., Vicor sells its products primarily to the telecommunications, EDP, industrial control and military electronics markets.

VICOR CORPORATION
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(All amounts in $000s except per share data)

	Three months ended Sept. 30		Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$9,737	$6,662	$25,820	$21,806
Income before taxes	2,335	714	5,220	2,719
Provision for income taxes	911	156	1,910	816
Net income	1,424	558	3,310	1,903
Net income per share	15 cents	6 cents	35 cents	20 cents
Average shares & equivalents	9,541	9,527	9,434	9,519

VICOR CORPORATION
Consolidated Balance Sheet
(All amounts in $000s)

	9/30/90 (Unaudited)	12/31/89 (Audited)
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash & cash equivalents	$1,444	$1,210
Accounts receivable & other assets	6,740	4,049
Inventories	5,352	5,320
Total current assets:	$13,536	$10,579
Property & equipment (net)	$9,715	$7,964
Intangibles & other assets (net)	181	192
Total assets	$23,432	$18,735
LIABILITIES & SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable & accrued liabilities	$7,830	$3,524

Long-term liabilities	1,652	4,677
Total	$9,482	$8,201
Shareholders' equity	$13,950	$10,534
Total liabilities & shareholders' equity	$23,432	$18,735

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ATLANTA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Haverty Furniture Companies Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HAVT HAVTA) today reported sales and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Net sales for the quarter totaled $62.4 million, up 7.5 percent from $58.0 million in the year-earlier period. Net income for the quarter was $1.4 million, or $.25 per share, compared with $1.7 million, or $.30 per share, a year ago.

For the nine months, net sales totaled $180.2 million, up 6.9 percent from $168.5 million in the year-earlier period. Net income for the first nine months amounted to $3.8 million, or $.67 per share, vs. $4.0 million, or $.70 per share, a year ago.

Frank S. McGaughey Jr., president and chief executive officer, said: "The current retail environment for home furnishings remains very challenging. Although we achieved higher sales for the third quarter, our profitability was affected by promotional expenses and pre-opening costs related to new showrooms. Our recent store-development activities included the opening of our 13th showroom in Atlanta, the relocating of a showroom in Dallas and the opening of a showroom in Lubbock, Texas, the first in that market.

"We continue to emphasize expense control; at the same time, we believe opportunities exist to improve our competitive position. During the remainder of the fourth quarter, we plan to open three new showrooms and close two smaller, less-profitable locations. By the close of 1990, we will also begin shipping from our new regional distribution center located in Jackson, Mississippi. This will be our second distribution center and should significantly improve the merchandising capabilities and financial results of our showrooms in the mid-south region."

Haverty's currently operates 86 retail furniture showrooms in 10 states throughout the Southeast and Southwest. The company's two classes of common shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbols HAVT and HAVTA.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - First Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: FFUT) reported today unaudited net income for its first quarter ended Sept. 30 1990 of $503,754 or 44 cents per share. This compares to a net income of $108,182 or 9 cents per share for the like quarter a year ago.

Gerald R. Christensen, president and chairman of the board attributed the gain in income to an increase in net interest income. Net interest income was $1,918,000 up from $1,031,000 an increase of $887,000 from the like quarter a year ago.

Operating expenses increased $204,000 for the quarter compared to the like quarter last year, this was primarily due to an increase in personnel and administrative expenses.

Mortgage loan volume for the quarter totalled 161 loans for $21 million compared to 158 loans for $15.2 million for the like time last year.

Deposits increased $56.9 million to $228.4 million from the like quarter last year. The increase in deposits was attributed to the acquisition of approximately $58 million of CrossLand Savings Bank's Utah deposits on Sept. 28, 1990. Christensen said the acquisition increased the Bank's number of deposit accounts by 9,600 to approximately 25,500 accounts.

First Federal's capital exceeds all regulatory requirements. Shareholder equity is $14.4 million or 12.53 per share.

FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK
Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition

Assets	Sept. 30, 1990 (Unaudited)	June 30, 1990 (Audited)
Cash on hand and in banks	$2,813,932	$3,002,409
Interest bearing deposits in other institutions	27,000,000	2,000,000
Federal funds	96,660	82,648
Investments securities at amortized cost (market value $22,549,700 in June 1990, $20,612,910 in Sept. 1990.)	20,718,091	22,657,092
Mortgage-backed securities (market value $68,927,900 in June 1990 and $72,524,813 in Sept. 1990.)	73,047,983	69,546,021

Loans receivable	194,552,501	194,030,674
Accrued interest receivable	2,765,084	2,766,439
Real estate owned	348,036	628,030
Real estate held for investment	2,464,039	2,476,271
Property and equipment net of accumulated depreciation	7,445,093	6,421,105
Leasehold improvements at amortized cost	448,150	379,186
Other assets	1,887,800	792,129
Total assets	333,587,369	304,782,004
Liabilities and Retained Earnings		
Deposit accounts	228,434,029	169,229,540
Advances from federal home loan bank	56,350,000	63,350,000
Advances by borrowers for taxes and insurance	2,793,094	2,101,539
Other borrowed money	28,690,063	54,405,689
Accounts payable and other liabilities	2,381,781	1,292,898
Deferred credits	526,308	474,000
Total liabilities	319,175,275	290,853,666
Stockholders' equity		
Common stock, $1 par value, authorized 6,000,000 shares issued 1,150,000	1,150,000	1,150,000
Paid in suplus	5,240,556	5,240,556
Net unrealized loss on marketable equity securities	(294,625)	(274,627)
Retained earnings	8,316,163	7,812,409
Total stockholders' equity	14,412,094	13,928,338
Total liabilities and net worth	333,587,369	304,782,004

FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK

Consolidated Statements of Operations

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Interest income:		
Interest and fees on loans	$6,955,901	$5,990,753
Interest and dividends on investment securities	483,567	470,064
Other interest	41,921	45,995
Total interest income	7,481,389	6,506,812
Interest expense		
Interest on deposits	3,193,632	3,381,028
Interest on borrowings	2,369,601	2,094,957
Total interest expense	5,563,233	5,475,985
Net interest income	1,918,156	1,030,827

Provision for losses on loans	76,252	1,636
Net interest income after provision for losses	1,841,904	1,029,191
Other income:		
Loan fees and service charges	219,878	190,432
Gain (loss) on sale of investments	---	(1,175)
Gain (loss) on sale of loans	28,524	(5,122)
Miscellaneous	116,328	147,309
Total other income	364,730	331,444
Other expense:		
Salaries and benefits	630,714	516,712
General and administrative	403,807	330,974
Occupancy	175,668	172,155
Deposit insurance premium	82,555	79,491
Data processing	72,073	100,529
Provision for losses on real estate owned	51,663	12,192
Total other expenses	1,416,480	1,212,053
Earnings before income taxes	790,154	148,582
Income taxes	286,400	40,400
Net earnings	$503,754	$108,182
Net earnings per share	$.44	$.09

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Samuel M. Miller, senior vice president-finance of Liz Claiborne, Inc., (NASDAQ: LIZC) today announced record sales and earnings for the three and nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter increased 21.7 percent to $499,554,000 from $410,372,000 for the same quarter last year. Earnings of $62,562,000 reflect a 22.5 percent increase from $51,066,000 in the same prior year period. Earnings of $0.72 per share reflect a 24.1 percent increase over last year's third quarter of $0.58 per share. Net sales for the nine months of $1,260,660,000 increased 21.8 percent over last year's nine months' results of $1,034,819,000. Earnings of $150,109,000 increased 20.9 percent from $124,156,000 for the prior year's same period. Earnings of $1.72 per share reflect a 22.0 percent increase over last year's nine months' $1.41 per share earnings.

Miller commented, "Management is extremely gratified that the company was able to achieve record sales and earnings, notwithstanding a difficult retail environment."

The company also announced that the board of directors had declared a regular cash dividend on the company's common stock at the rate of $0.0625 per share to be paid on Dec. 3, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 7, 1990. The declaration of any future dividends will be subject to the company's earnings, financial position, capital requirements and other relevant factors.

With respect to the previously announced stock repurchase programs, Miller noted that through Oct. 19, 1990, of the total of $100 million authorized, the company has purchased approximately 3.6 million shares of common stock at an aggregate purchase price of approximately $90 million.

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DEDHAM, Mass. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Bird Corporation (NASDAQ: BIRD) reported net earnings increase from continuing operations of $3,062,000 on sales of $38,599,000 for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990. After provision for preferred and preference dividends, primary earnings per common share amounted to 74 cents.

In the prior year's quarter, Bird earned $2,507,000 from continuing operations which, after consideration of preferred and preference dividends, resulted in earnings per common share of 58 cents. Sales from continuing operations were approximately 7 percent higher and net earnings 22 percent higher than in the prior year.

For the first nine months, Bird has earned $6,017,000, which, after provision for preferred and preference dividends, results in net earnings of $1.35 per common share from continuing operations. In the prior year's period, the company earned 39 cents per common share from continuing operations. Last year Bird additionally recorded a $2.17 per share one-time gain from the sale of their capital equipment subsidiary.

In September, Bird Corporation announced the payment of a 20 cents per share dividend to common stockholders, the first such dividend paid by the company since 1982.

Chairman George J. Haufler stated, "We are pleased with our continuing strong improvement in operating profits during a difficult recession in the housing and construction markets. This continues to demonstrate our cost and quality leadership, and the benefits of focussing on the less cyclical remodeling sector. It was especially gratifying to announce a 20 cent dividend on our common stock as tangible evidence of recovery and confidence in our future following years of investment and restructuring."

Bird Corporation is a U.S.-based manufacturer and distributor of quality building material products and a growing provider of environmental services.

The unaudited results for the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 as compared to the same periods in 1989 are presented below.

BIRD CORPORATION

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Sales	$38,599,000	$35,928,000
Net earnings	3,062,000	2,507,000
Earnings per share:		
Primary	74 cents	58 cents
Fully diluted	70 cents	57 cents
Average number of shares used in earnings per share computation		
Primary	3,633,358	3,669,870
Fully diluted	4,367,589	4,411,006

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Sales	$97,754,000	$96,177,000
Earnings from continuing operations	6,017,000	2,788,000
Earnings from operations of discontinued segment	---	(23,000)
Gain from sale of discontinued segment	---	8,963,000
Net earnings	$6,017,000	$11,728,000
Primary earnings per share:		
Continuing operations	$1.35	39 cents
Net earnings	1.35	2.56
Fully diluted earnings per share:		
Continuing operations	$1.35	39 cents
Net earnings	1.35	2.41
Average number of shares used in earnings per share computation:		
Primary	3,614,610	4,121,064
Fully diluted	4,351,536	4,858,347

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc., at its meeting today, declared a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per common share, payable Nov. 21, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 2.

Separately, the company also announced that its board of directors has increased, by 5 million shares, the company's authority to purchase shares of its common stock. This authority is in addition to the approximately 2.7 million shares remaining under previous authority. The authority may be exercised over the next several years, as market conditions warrant and subject to regulatory considerations. Purchases, if any, are primarily intended to satisfy the requirements of various stock-based employee benefit plans and for general corporate purposes.

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WATERTOWN, MA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Ionics, Incorporated (AMEX: ION) today announced that it had acquired the assets of Walben Industries, Inc. of Springfield, Mass. for an undisclosed amount. Walben is a regional distributor of household bleach and related products.

Commenting on the transaction, Arthur L. Goldstein, Ionics' chairman and chief executive officer, noted that, "We look forward to a long and prosperous association with Walter J. Benoit, Jr., Walben's president, and his associates as Walben becomes a member of Ionics' Chemical Supply group joining Elite Chemicals, Ionics' subsidiary in Brisbane, Australia.

"Ionics adds value to chemical distribution businesses such as Walben and Elite through the use of its membrane-based Cloromat(R) electrochemical cell technology for the local, on-site generation of sodium hypochlorite bleach and related products.

"As part of an environmentally proven system, the Cloromat reduces product and transportation costs and lowers the safety and handling risks associated with alternative methods for producing sodium hypochlorite bleach."

Two five ton per day Cloromat plants are currently operating at Elite Chemicals. A Cloromat is planned to begin operation at Walben in the Spring of 1991.

Ionics is a separations technology company involved worldwide in the manufacture and sale of membranes and related equipment for the purification of water, in the supply of purified water and water treatment chemicals, and in the sale of bottled water and home water purifiers.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Biomedical Dynamics Corporation (NASDAQ: BMDC) announced today net sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $1,695,659 compared to $1,094,785 in the prior year's third quarter, an increase of 55 percent. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $206,978 or $.04 per share compared with net income of $163,911 or $.03 per share, during the prior year's third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had net sales of $4,721,449 compared with net sales of $3,274,445 in the prior year's nine months, an increase of 44 percent. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $448,734 or $.09 per share compared with net income of $446,752 or $.09 per share during the prior year's nine months.

The company had income tax expense in the third quarter and nine months of 1990 of $116,900 and $254,250, respectively, and had no income tax expense in the comparable periods of 1989 as the company was utilizing its tax loss carryforwards.

Joseph A. Marino, president of Biomedical Dynamics stated that "the increase in sales over 1989 was due to continued expansion of our Infusable(R) product line and sales of our recently introduced CUFF-ABLE(TM) product line." Marino went on to say that "sales of our Infusable products continue to expand and add to our market share. Our CUFF-ABLE blood pressure cuff product line showed significant growth during the quarter and I expect that growth to continue into future quarters. Overall, I'm very pleased with the results for the quarter."

Biomedical Dynamics Corporation, located in Minneapolis, is engaged in the development, manufacture and sale of disposable products for the critical care medical market. The company currently sells products used principally in pressure monitoring.

The company's common stock is traded on the national over the counter market and is quoted on the NASDAQ system under the symbol BMDC.

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SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo National Industries, Inc. (OTC: THER), a New Jersey corporation, today announced it would shortly commence an offer to all shareholders to repurchase any and all shares of

common stock at a price of $10 net per share.

The offer would remain outstanding through the close of business on Friday, Jan. 18, 1991, subject to extension, and shareholders would receive payment for shares tendered approximately two weeks after such expiration date.

The company's transfer agent, Jersey Transfer & Trust Company, Verona, N.J., has been designated to act as the company's agent in connection with the offer. Officers and directors of the company have indicated their intention to tender approximately 142,000 out of approximately 186,000 shares collectively owned by them.

Richard Klein, vice president and treasurer, stated that, after examining other possible alternatives, management decided that this was the best use of the funds derived from the previous sale of the company's Newark, N.J.-based heat treating assets. The company will continue in business with its metal plating operations.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Boulevard Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: BLVD) today reported a net loss for the third quarter of 1990 of $6.8 million, or $1.02 per share, reflecting an increase in its third quarter provision for loan losses to $16.8 million from $1.3 million in the same period a year ago.

"The increased provision is in line with management's belief that a conservative approach in reviewing the loan portfolio, while detrimental to short-term results, is appropriate in a weakening economy," Richard T. Schroeder, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said.

The company also reported that it has suspended its fourth quarter cash dividend of 12 cents per share. "While the capital position of the holding company remains very strong, it is prudent to conserve capital at this time," Schroeder said.

Results of Operations For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had a net loss of $6.8 million, or $1.02 per share, compared to net income of $3.0 million, or 41 cents per share, a year earlier. Net interest income declined 5.2 percent to $15.1 million, from $15.9 million in the third quarter of last year. The provision for loan losses was $16.8 million compared with $1.3 million in last year's third quarter, reflecting a higher level of charge-offs and non-performing loans. Non-interest income was down 7.0 percent to $3.5 million from $3.8 million a year earlier. Non-interest expense declined 2.6 percent to $13.6 million from $14.0 million.

Schroeder said he was encouraged with the trend in operating costs, noting numerous efforts to reduce expenses had pushed the third quarter expense level well below amounts in the first and second quarters of 1990.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company had a net loss of $8.7 million, or $1.18 per share, versus net income of $9.3 million, or $1.25 per share, for the comparable period in 1989. Net interest income declined 3.1 percent to $46.4 million, from $47.9 million in the first nine months of last year. The provision for loan losses was $30.6 million compared with $3.8 million. Non-interest income was up 4.9 percent to $11.0 million from $10.5 million a year earlier. Non-interest expense increased 3.8 percent to $43.1 million from $41.5 million.

Loan Quality Net charge-offs for the nine-month period were $19.0 million compared with $2.7 million a year ago and in the third quarter of 1990, net charge-offs were $6.1 million compared to $1.1 million in the same period last year. Non-performing loans increased to $55.9 million at Sept. 30, 1990 from $23.6 million at the end of the second quarter and were 40 percent higher than a year earlier. Schroeder said much of the increase in non-performing loans related to the commercial real estate portfolio.

As a percent of total loans, non-performing loans at Sept. 30, 1990 were 4.80 percent compared with 3.34 percent a year ago.

Balance Sheet Analysis Total assets increased 2.8 percent to $1.63 billion from $1.59 billion at Sept. 30, 1989, while net loans decreased 3.6 percent to $1.14 billion from $1.18 billion. Shareholders' equity decreased 10.8 percent to $104.4 million, or $14.46 per share, from $117.1 million, or $15.96 per share, a year earlier.

Boulevard Bancorp Inc. is Chicago's sixth largest bank holding company with assets of $1.6 billion. Its principal subsidiaries include Boulevard Bank National Association, First National Bank of Des Plaines, Citizens National Bank of Downers Grove, National Security Bank and Boulevard Technical Services.

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GREENWICH, CT (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pittston Company (NYSE: PCO) today reported third quarter net income of $26.4 million or 71 cents per share, significantly greater than the strike-impacted third quarter 1989 net income of $3.1 million or eight cents per share.

Earnings for the year-to-date totalled $35.6 miilion compared with $22.6

million for the first nine months of 1989. For the two calendar quarters of operations this year since the end of the coal strike, net income totalled $45.7 million or $1.23 per share, as improving efficiencies and competitive positioning at each of Pittston's businesses reinforced the movement to higher corporate earnings that commenced in March.

Paul W. Douglas, chairman and chief executive officer, said he was pleased with the operating performance of each of the company's four business units, all of which improved further on the good results achieved in the previous quarter. Douglas made the following additional comments concerning third quarter operations:

Coal operating earnings amounted to $14.4 million in the third quarter compared with $13.3 million in the second quarter. Third quarter earnings were adversely impacted by about $1.8 million as a result of a short-term downward pricing adjustment, which ended Oct. 1, under the provisions of a long-term utility contract.

The Pyxis Coal Group achieved excellent operating results, while the Pittston Coal Group continued to benefit from the strong relationship that has developed with both the leadership of the UMWA and the company's UMWA employees as the provisions of the new labor agreement are being progressively implemented.

While the long-term fundamentals of coal markets both here and abroad continue to improve, with expanded opportunities arising from the higher price of oil and the assumed implementation of proposed acid rain legislation, near term pricing is weak reflecting higher than desired utility stockpiles.

Coal sales in the third quarter amounted to 4.5 million tons including 2.0 million tons of metallurgical coal sold in the overseas market. Coal production for the quarter totalled 4.0 million tons.

With the third quarter purchase of an additional 7-1/2 percent interest in Dominion Terminal Associates (DTA), a major coal export terminal located in Newport News, Va., Pittston raised its ownership in DTA to 32.5 percent, thus becoming the largest equity owner in DTA.

The expansion of DTA's annual throughput capacity to 17.5 million tons and the increase in its ground storage space by nearly 50 percent will be completed about Dec. 1 under budget and ahead of schedule.

The intrinsic values of the DTA terminal, a very low cost and efficient facility, are expected to increase as world and coastal coal shipments grow, particularly since the construction of new terminals will be limited by ever-growing cost and environmental considerations.

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MORRISTOWN, NJ (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Sixteen companies have joined a group called the C++ Reseller Alliance, formed by AT&T's (NYSE: T) UNIX System Laboratories, Inc., to promote products based on AT&T's C++ programming language and libraries and to share information on the use of C++ in large software development projects.

The C++ Reseller Alliance, in addition to developing and coordinating joint marketing programs, will also advise USL on strategies for increasing acceptance of AT&T's C++ language system as the "industrial strength" implementation of the language for professional programmers.

The C++ Reseller Alliance will share with its members information about coming enhancements to the C++ language and libraries from USL, information that individual members obtain relating to the growing use of the C++ programming language in commercial development environments, and "C++ Do's and Don'ts" culled from the many software developers and researchers who as C++ Reseller Alliance member customers, have been using the AT&T C++ language and libraries for several years.

Included among sources for such information will be AT&T Bell Laboratories, where the C++ Language was invented, and where the language is increasingly being used in large-scale software development projects.

Initial members of the AT&T C++ Reseller Alliance include: Apple Computer, Inc., AT&T Computer Systems, Comeau Computing, Glockenspiel, Ltd., Imagesoft, Inc., Microtec Research, Inc., NCR Corporation, Object Design, Inc., Ontologic Inc., ParcPlace Systems, Pyramid, Saber Software, Inc., Santa Cruz Operation, Inc., Sequent Computer Systems, Inc., Solbourne Computer, and Sun Microsystems Inc.

Membership in the C++ Reseller Alliance is open to any hardware or software vendor who licenses and distributes the AT&T USL C++ Language System. No membership fees are required.

The group will meet two or three times a year, coincident with significant C++ industry events. The first formal meeting of the group will be held in April 1991 in Washington, coincident with the USENIX C++ Conference.

For further information about the C++ Reseller Alliance, vendors should contact Paul Fillinich, C++ product manager, UNIX System Laboratories, Inc., at (201) 580-4363.

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#90295p7806 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

LISBON, PORTUGAL (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Banco Comercial Portugues, Portugal's leading private commercial bank and the country's largest quoted company, today announced financial results for the first nine months of 1990.

BCP's pre-tax profits for nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990 rose 103 percent to Esc. 13.2 billion ($94.7 million) and cash-flow increased 93 percent to Esc. 17.1 billion ($122.9 million). Earnings per share, adjusted for a bonus issue which took place in March 1990, increased 38 percent from Esc. 144.3 in the first three quarters of 1989 to Esc. 199.4.

Since the end of June, BCP has opened 21 branches. Having received authorization to open 57 more branches, the bank expects to have nearly 170 operating in December.

BCP has recently launched a public offer for 43.49 percent of CISF, Portugal's second largest merchant banking group, in a move designed to increase its stake to 51.1 percent. It is offering Esc. 2350 in cash per share, a 19.9 percent premium over CISF's last quotation and 108.5 percent above its book-value. Through this acquisition, BCP expects to have a major share in corporate finance and privatisation businesses. The offers are being handled up to Nov. 5 and the bidding session will take place on Nov. 8.

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NEW BRIGHTON, PA. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Tuscarora Plastics Inc. (NASDAQ: TUSC) today reported record results for its fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Net sales totaled $85.5 million, an increase of 10.1 percent over net sales of $77.6 million for the year earlier. Net income for the current year was $4.9 million, an 8.8 percent increase over net income of $4.5 million for fiscal year 1989. Earnings per share for the year were $1.62, an increase of 8.7 percent over the $1.49 earned for the year earlier.

For the fourth quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, net sales were $20.7 million, a decrease of 3.6 percent from net sales of $21.5 million for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1989. Net income was $1.2 million, approximately the same as the year earlier quarter and earnings per share were $0.39, a decrease of 4.9 percent compared with $0.41 for the prior fourth quarter.

John P. O'Leary Jr., president and chief executive officer, attributed the fourth quarter decreases to an exceptionally strong year-earlier fourth quarter as well as to the current overall softness in the national economy, particularly in the manufacturing sector. O'Leary said that lower levels of sales and earnings are expected to continue at least through the first quarter of fiscal year 1991.

Tuscarora is the country's largest manufacturer of custom molded foam plastic products made from expanded polystyrene, polypropylene, polyethylene and related co-polymer foams. The company's products are sold to a wide variety of customers for use as packaging and handling material for both consumer and industrial goods. The company also custom molds and fabricates materials for use as thermal insulation and component parts.

Tuscarora Plastics, founded in 1962 in New Brighton, Pa., currently operates 22 manufacturing facilities throughout the United States.

TUSCARORA PLASTICS INC.
Condensed Summary of Operations
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

For the year ended Aug. 31	1990	1989	Percent Increase
Net sales	$85,458	$77,642	10.1
Income before income taxes	7,912	7,479	5.8
Net income	4,874	4,478	8.8
Earnings per share	$1.62	$1.49	8.7
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding	3,011	3,010	--
For the quarter ended Aug. 31	**1990**	**1989**	**Percent Decrease**
Net sales	$20,732	$21,509	-3.6
Income before income taxes	1,849	2,136	-13.4
Net income	1,172	1,232	-4.9
Earnings per share	$0.39	$0.41	-4.9
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding	3,012	3,010	--

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - In an effort to lessen future dependence on imported oil and the impact of gasoline-powered vehicles on the environment, Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE) and the State of Maryland have teamed up to pursue natural gas vehicle technology. This joint effort is focusing on three fronts: passenger cars, buses, and engineering design.

In the first program, BG&E is working with the Maryland Department of the Environment (DOE) to convert six Chevrolet Celebrities from gasoline to

liquefied natural gas (LNG). BG&E will absorb the labor costs associated with the installation and maintenance of the natural gas fueling system, as well as labor costs for in-house testing.

The performance of these vehicles will be compared to three gasoline-powered Chevrolet Celebrities specially purchased for this one-year test program. At the end of the test period, analysis of both engines will be done, including emissions measurements, engine oil tests and even the disassembling and examination of the engines.

"This test program should yield valuable research data that we hope to apply to present-day situations," said Ed Skoglin, manager of Marketing & Energy Services for BG&E.

"There are provisions in current and pending clean air legislation impacting motor vehicles, and many corporations and government agencies with vehicle fleets are very interested in pursuing natural gas technology. The lessons learned here will be shared with private and public sector fleets."

The second joint effort between the State of Maryland and BG&E on the natural gas front involves buses. Between six to ten Maryland Mass Transit Administration buses powered by LNG are scheduled to begin going into service next April for a 12-month field test. BG&E has contributed a $200,000 grant to this $3 million program.

On the design front, BG&E is working with the University of Maryland in a national student engineering design competition. Maryland is one of 20 schools selected to participate in this project, and each school has a one-ton General Motors pickup truck to convert to natural gas. BG&E has contributed $5,000 to Maryland's effort, and will be supplying the LNG fuel, technical support, and testing and evaluation as required or necessary.

Besides its joint efforts with the state, BG&E didn't need a wake-up call from the Persian Gulf to begin its own research on natural gas vehicles. Several months ago, the utility formulated plans for a fleet test program that began operation this month.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Baker Hughes Inc. (NYSE, PSE, Zurich: BHI) President and Chief Executive Officer J.D. Woods today announced that the Baker Hughes board declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of $.115 per share of common stock

The dividend is payable November 21, 1990, to shareholders of record November

2, 1990.

Baker Hughes is a leading provider of products and services for the oil, gas and process industries.

NOTE: Not intended for distribution to beneficial holders.

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TORONTO (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - American Barrick Resources Corporation (NYSE: ABX) today announced record production, revenue and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income increased to US$43.1 million, or US33 cents per share fully diluted for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared with US$23.7 million, US20 cents per share fully diluted, for the same period of 1989.

Gold production was 437,562 ounces in the nine months, up from 331,377 ounces in the comparable period of 1989, resulting from a near doubling of production from the Goldstrike Mine and a solid performance at the Mercur Mine. Contributing to Goldstrike's outstanding performance in the first nine months of this year was an average ore grade 20 percent higher than the reserve model.

The company realized an average price of US$441 per ounce for its gold sales during the first nine months, compared with the Comex average gold price of US$384. (Included in the company's average price realized for the nine months is US$11 per ounce from the expiry of its gold purchase warrants.) Accordingly revenues were US$179.7 million for the nine months compared with US$142.3 million in the same period of 1989. Barrick's income from operations increased 44 percent to US$79.0 million in the same period, compared with US$54.8 million a year earlier, reflecting higher production and lower costs.

Cash flow before working capital adjustments was strong at US$82.7 million in the nine months, compared with US$59.5 million in the comparable period of 1989.

"With the company's rapidly increasing gold production and the benefits of our gold hedging program, we are confident of meeting our 1990 production and earnings targets," said Robert M. Smith, president and chief operating officer.

A strong and liquid balance sheet is the basis for Barrick's future confidence. Cash and short-term deposits were US$342.0 million as at Sept. 30, 1990 including the net proceeds of US$105 million from the company's common share issue completed during the third quarter.

Net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was US$15.6 million, or US12 cents per share fully diluted, compared with US$11.9 million, or US10 cents per share fully diluted, in the year earlier period. The company's income from operations for the quarter was US$31.3 million, compared with US$20.3 million a year earlier. Cash flow from operations before working capital adjustments for the quarter was US$31.9 million, compared with US$23.0 million in the same period of 1989.

American Barrick Resources Corporation has interests in six producing mines located in Nevada, Utah, Ontario and Quebec. The company's shares are traded on the Toronto, Montreal and New York Stock Exchanges (ABX), the Paris Bourse, and the Swiss Stock Exchanges (ABR).

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Bankers Trust Company today announced that ten professionals had joined its Corporate Trust and Agency Group from Security Pacific National Bank. Among those joining Bankers Trust were Daniel Rudgers and William Thomas, who had developed Security Pacific's business as trustee for private mortgage backed securities, and eight members of their unit.

All will continue working in the mortgage backed securities trust business for Bankers Trust and will remain based in California. "We view the asset backed and mortgage backed securities business as an important growth area for Corporate Trust and believe that establishing a West Coast presence will provide major competitive advantages going forward," said B. J. Kingdon, senior vice president and head of Corporate Trust for Bankers Trust.

Rudgers and Thomas, both vice presidents, will report to Paula C. Gabriele, chief operating officer of Corporate Trust. According to Ms. Gabriele, "Bankers Trust is committed to being a major player in structured transaction corporate trust work, and we believe that adding this group of professionals to our team underscores this commitment."

Bankers Trust's Corporate Trust and Agency Group is a leader in its field, a position earned by its ability to respond innovatively to the requirements of the marketplace.

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#90295p7835 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of United Dominion Industries Limited (TSE,NYSE: UDI) today declared a fourth-quarter cash dividend of 5 cents (U.S.) per share of common stock. The Board also declared a stock dividend equivalent to U.S. 43 cents, in order to maintain the company's eligibility for investment by certain financial institutions in Canada. The actual number of common shares to be distributed will be based on the U.S. dollar equivalent to the weighted average closing price of United Dominion common shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange in the five trading days ending Oct. 26. Both dividends are payable Dec. 31 to shareholders of record Dec. 7.

In addition, the Board declared a dividend of 59.375 cents in Canadian funds per share on the company's Series 2 preferred shares, payable Dec. 31 to holders of record Dec. 7.

CONTACT: Robert L. Shaffer of United Dominion, 704-347-6875

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#90295p7837 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - United Dominion Industries Limited (TSE NYSE: UDI) today reported third quarter net income of $5 million compared with $35.4 million a year ago, which included $26.4 million in earnings related to the divested industrial automation segment. Revenues were $372.1 million in the latest quarter versus $362.7 million in 1989.

After payment of preferred dividends of approximately $5 million in the latest quarter compared with $6 million last year, the company reported no earnings applicable to common shares in the current period versus $1.08 a share in 1989 which included 98 cents related to the divested segment.

William R. Holland, chairman and chief executive officer, said that, excluding the effect of divesting the industrial automation segment, United Dominion's latest results declined from a year ago primarily due to volume and margin pressures caused by today's economic and market conditions.

"The rapid deterioration of the general economy in recent months and trends toward economic recessions in Canada and the United States have adversely affected all of our primary markets except energy, where the outlook is much improved," Mr. Holland said.

"While all of our operating segments remain fundamentally sound and cost containment programs are being implemented across the company," Mr. Holland said, "we do not believe we will realize an improvement in 1990 over 1989 earnings, as originally anticipated.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, the company reported net income of $25.4 million on revenues of $1,069.5 million, compared with $61.6 million on

revenues of $1,030.2 million in 1989. Per share earnings amounted to 37 cents versus $1.59 in the 1989 period. Year ago results included $37.8 million, or $1.40 a share, realized from the divested industrial automation segment.

United Dominion -- formerly AMCA International -- is a manufacturing, construction and engineering company serving non-residential construction, energy and industrial equipment markets worldwide. The company operates 35 plants and employs approximately 10,500 people.

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#90295p7839 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Products and Chemicals Inc. (NYSE: APD) today reported record results in the fourth quarter, ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales increased 22 percent to $816.3 million, compared to $668.6 million in last year's fourth quarter. Net income in the current quarter increased 24 percent to $63.1 million, or $1.14 per share, vs. $51 million, or $.92 per share, in the year-ago quarter.

This strong operating performance reflected higher profits in all businesses, and an after-tax gain of $6 million, or $.11 per share, from the sale of a 50-percent equity interest in the company's second cogeneration project.

Reviewing the fourth quarter results, Air Products Chairman Dexter F. Baker said, "This record performance was achieved based on strong results across our entire business portfolio. Industrial gases and chemicals, our largest businesses, produced strong volume and profit gains. We also earned substantially higher profits in our environmental and energy, and process equipment businesses. These results capped another year of sales and profit growth at Air Products."

For fiscal 1990, Air Products' sales were $2.9 billion, up 10 percent over 1989. Net income was $229.9 million, or $4.15 per share, compared to $222.1 million, or $4.04 per share, in 1989.

In the fourth quarter, industrial gas revenues and operating income rose 12 percent and 7 percent respectively, compared to the year-ago quarter. Growth in worldwide merchant and on-site volumes continued and prices for liquid oxygen and nitrogen in Europe and the United States increased.

In chemicals, fourth quarter revenues were 5 percent lower compared to last year due to the divestiture of the polyvinyl chloride (PCV) business at the start of the quarter. Operating income, however, increased 5 percent as broad-based gains continued during the quarter, reflecting the underlying strength and quality of our chemicals business.

Fourth quarter results in the environmental and energy business improved largely due to the sale of a partial equity interest in a cogeneration project under construction in western Pennsylvania, and the recognition of profits associated with the related plant sale. The results also reflect continued strong operations at the Hempstead, Long Island, waste-to-energy and Stockton, Calif., cogeneration facilities.

The Equipment and Technology segment reported substantially higher operating profits in the fourth quarter from higher process equipment sales.

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WICHITA, KS (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Fourth Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: FRTH), declared third quarter dividends of 22 cents a share. The Company will pay its 85th consecutive quarterly cash dividend on Dec. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 15, 1990. The Board also authorized management to acquire, during the remainder of the year, an additional 300,000 shares of Fourth Financial stock to be used primarily for the acquisition of the American State Bank of Great Bend, Kansas.

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NORTHFIELD, MN (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Sheldahl, Inc. (NASDAQ: SHEL) announced today record 1990 sales from continuing operations of $97,103,000, 12 percent higher than last year. Current backlogs are at levels sufficient to achieve similar growth in fiscal 1991.

1990 net earnings excluding restructuring expenses were $1,942,000 or $.41 per share compared with a net loss of $1,653,000 or a negative $.35 per share last year.

Record net sales for the fourth quarter were $25,049,000, 11 percent higher than net sales of $22,517,000 in the same quarter last year, and ten percent higher than net sales of $22,698,000 in the third quarter of fiscal 1990. Operations resulted in net income of $872,000 or $.18 per share compared with a net loss from continuing operations of $287,000 or $.06 per share one year ago and represents the fifth consecutive quarter of operating improvement.

Sheldahl, Inc. develops, manufactures and sells materials, special fabrications and flexible interconnects for electronic markets. Its focus is

to serve the needs of its customers in the automotive, aerospace/defense, data communications, consumer and materials markets. The company's common stock is traded on the National Over-The-Counter market under the NASDAQ symbol: SHEL.

SHELDAHL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited - 000s omitted)

	Three months ended	
	8/31/90	9/1/89
Net sales	$25,049	$22,517
Cost of sales	20,041	19,315
Gross profit	5,008	3,202
Expenses:		
Sales and marketing	1,584	2,082
General and administrative	1,237	1,021
Research and development	431	330
Interest	335	324
Total expenses	3,587	3,757
Income (loss) before income taxes	1,421	(555)
Benefit (provision) for income taxes	(549)	268
Net income (loss)	872	(287)
Net income (loss) per share	.18	(.06)

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#90295p7853 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - In the face of Middle East oil price jitters, combined with the threat by lawmakers in Washington to raise gasoline taxes, sales of high-mileage Ford (NYSE: F) Escorts and Mercury Tracers in Southern California continued a late August upturn through September -- and into October.

According to Ford Division's Los Angeles District sales manager J.C. Collins, Escort sales for September were up nearly 20 percent over the year-ago period -- and registered the second best sales month for Escort for the year.

"Even more important," said Collins, "September Escort sales were up nearly 50 percent over August sales, demonstrating that the first full month of availability of the full line of new Escorts is meeting great customer acceptance -- and also that Escort sales momentum is really gathering steam."

He noted that Ford sells more Escorts in Southern California than anywhere in the country. The most fuel-efficient Escort gets 31 mpg in the city and 41 mpg on the open highway.

Similarly, September sales of Mercury Tracer in the Los Angeles area were up 13 percent over the heavily rebated (and therefore, inflated) year-ago sales, according to Roger G. Jolicoeur, the Lincoln-Mercury Division's district sales manager. He reported that retail sales in September were the best of the year. Tracer EPA mileage figures are 29 city, 36 highway.

Reflecting building momentum for Tracer, he said that sales during the first 10 days of October outstripped the same period a year ago by 66 percent.

Jolicoeur also noted that September sales of the fuel-efficient Mercury Capri were up 107 percent over August sales. And during the first 10 days of October, Capri sales were up 41 percent versus the month-earlier period. "This reflects the growing availability of the Capri and its wide popularity." He noted that there was a very tight 21-day supply of Capris at dealers -- compared to the 60-day supply which is considered normal.

Paradoxically, sales of the Lincoln Town Car continue to outpace trends in face of a generally slow market. September retail sales of the Town Car in Southern California were up a hefty 76 percent compared to sales in September of last year.

Momentum continued into October, with retail Town Car sales up 82 percent during the first 10-day period -- compared to the same period a year ago. Jolicoeur pointed out that the fuel-efficiency of the Town Car (17 city, 23 highway) is about double that of its 1970s predecessors.

At the same time, sales of the all-new Ford Explorer compact utility vehicle, offering two- and four-door, with two- and four- wheel drive options, were up a very strong 107 percent in September over year-ago sales, with a very slim 26-day supply in Southern California. Collins noted that Explorer sales in the first 10 days of October were up a whopping 200 percent -- compared to the year-ago sales.

"Dealers are telling us that they are selling Explorers 'as fast as they roll in,'" he reported. The most fuel-efficient Explorer gets 18 mpg in the city and 23 mpg on the highway.

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LONDON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Collier, a 23-year veteran of the hotel industry, has been named senior vice president of strategic marketing for the London-based Inter-Continental Hotels Group Ltd. The appointment, effective Nov. 1, was announced today by John van Praag, chief executive officer of the hotel group and J.T. Kuhlman, president of Inter-Continental Hotels.

Collier, 50, will be responsible for the creation and implementation of marketing strategies for the more than 100-property hotel group.

He joins Inter-Continental Hotels Group from ITT Sheraton Corp., where he served as senior vice president and director of marketing for five years. Previously, he was vice president sales and marketing (1975-81), Europe, Africa and the Middle East (1972-75) for ITT Sheraton, headquartered in London. He also has held marketing management positions with Trusthouse Forte in London from 1967 to 1972 and 1981-1985.

A graduate of Cambridge University's St. Catharine's College, Collier will be based in Inter-Continental's worldwide headquarters in London.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Anadarko (NYSE: APC) today announced the successful conversion of 77 percent of the company's outstanding $100 million principal amount 5-3/4 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2012, which were called for redemption on Oct. 18, 1990.

Debentures in the principal amount of $77 million were converted into 2.4 million shares of Anadarko common stock pursuant to the indenture. With these newly issued shares, the total issued and outstanding shares of the company are about 55 million. In addition, remaining debentures in the principal amount of $23 million were redeemed for a total payment to debenture holders by the company of $24 million in principal, premium and interest as provided by the indenture. The cash portion of the redemption was financed through existing credit facilities.

The conversion of the debentures significantly improves Anadarko's balance sheet; total debt is reduced to 41 percent of the company's total capitalization. On an annualized basis, the conversion would have a slight positive effect on earnings per share.

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#90295p7861 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) today declared a dividend of 30 cents per share on the common stock for the fourth quarter of 1990, payable on Dec. 21, to shareholders of record Nov. 14, 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a loss of $8 million, equivalent to 4 cents per share.

J.F. Paquette, PE chairman and CEO said, "The loss in the third quarter was expected and is due to a one-time charge of approximately $249 million or 70 cents a share associated with the company's previously announced Special Early Retirement Program. Without this charge, third quarter earnings would have been 66 cents per share or a decrease of 21 cents per share compared to the earnings of the corresponding period last year. The lower third quarter earnings also reflect the effects of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission's (PaPUC) reduction early this year of the company's requested rate increase for Limerick Unit No. 2."

The early retirement program, which was accepted by 1,909 employees of 2,608 eligible, is expected to save the company about $75 million annually in salaries and benefits by 1993.

Electric service territory sales and total gas delivered for the quarter were essentially unchanged from the corresponding period last year.

Earnings for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were 53 cents per share, $1.68 under the earnings of the previous 12-month period. The decrease in earnings was due primarily to a one-time charge against income in the first quarter of 1990 of almost $250 million or $1.18 per share associated with various disallowances made by the PaPUC in the Limerick Unit No. 2 Rate Order and the third quarter write-off resulting from the company's Special Early Retirement Program. This decrease in earnings was partially offset by the elimination of costs associated with the Peach Bottom shutdown which impacted the previous 12 months.

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#90295p7863 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - A national picket of Dayton Hudson stores has been scheduled for Friday, Nov. 23, the day after Thanksgiving, which is traditionally the biggest shopping day of the year. The picket, called by the Christian Action Council (CAC), is in response to Dayton Hudson's announcement that it will continue to support Planned Parenthood, the world's leading advocate of legal abortion.

"Corporations may support any groups they desire, but they will not necessarily be doing so with the money of pro-life advocates," said Douglas R. Scott, director of public policy for the CAC and founder of the project designed to end corporate support for Planned Parenthood. "Dayton Hudson has come down squarely on the side of Planned Parenthood and its agenda. This represents a capitulation to the abortion provider and to the threats of many

groups supportive of legal abortion. The company has essentially been told by groups that support legal abortion, 'Give us money or we'll break your economic legs,'" Scott said.

The CAC is asking all pro-life groups to support the picket. "It's our hope that many of Dayton Hudson's stores will be picketed on November 23, but this is only the beginning of our effort," Scott said.

Scott accuses Dayton Hudson, which owns Dayton's, Hudson's, Target, Marshall Field's and Mervyn's, of choosing to be vocal in their support of Planned Parenthood in an attempt to get other corporations to support the group. To date, 15 major corporations have agreed to end support for planned parenthood.

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#90295p7867 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - M.A. Hanna Company (NYSE/MSE: MAH) today reported net income in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $17.2 million ($.61 per share, fully diluted), compared with net income of $21.7 million ($.77 per share, fully diluted) in the corresponding period of 1989. Due to the exhaustion of tax loss carryforwards, the company's tax rate increased from 13.3 percent in the 1989 period to 25 percent in the 1990 period.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $38.8 million ($1.37 per share, fully diluted), which included an $8.6 million ($.30 per share, fully diluted) nonrecurring charge for the write-off of receivables due from a bankrupt customer of Hanna's coal affiliate. In the 1989 nine months, net income was $71.3 million ($2.53 per share, fully diluted), which included a one-time gain of $15.0 million ($.53 per share, fully diluted) from the sale of assets.

Third-quarter net sales and operating revenues were $290.3 million in 1990 and $290.2 million in 1989. Nine-month net sales and operating revenues were $847.6 million in 1990 and $838.1 million in 1989. In 1989 the company had discontinued sales from iron ore brokerage activities of $6.7 million in the third quarter and $22.4 million in the nine months.

"Polymer processing and distribution, our core strategic businesses, are performing well, despite the softening economy," said Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Martin D. Walker. "Soft volumes and competitive pricing impacted our manufactured product results, and the natural resources segment continues to be impacted by substantially lower earnings from our coal affiliate due to the first-quarter bankruptcy filing of its largest customer."

Hanna benefitted in both 1989 and 1990 from the utilization of tax- loss

carryforwards accumulated in the early and mid-1980s. Third- quarter results included tax credits of $2.6 million in 1990 and $5.1 million in 1989; nine-month results included tax credits of $6.0 million in 1990 and $17.6 million in 1989. On a fully taxed basis, Hanna's third quarter net income from operations, excluding one-time gains and losses, was $.51 per share, fully diluted, in the third quarter of 1990 and $.59 per share, fully diluted, in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months, fully taxed net income from operations was $1.42 per share, fully diluted, in 1990 and $1.50 per share, fully diluted, in 1989.

Hanna's formulated polymers segment recorded operating income of $63.1 million in the nine months of 1990, compared with $68.1 million in the nine months of 1989.

The natural resources segment recorded nine month operating and equity income, excluding one-time gains and losses, of $17.5 million in 1990, compared with $25.4 million in 1989.

M.A. Hanna company is a leading formulated polymers company and also has natural resources interests.

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#90295p7868 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHOREVIEW, MN (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - TSI Incorporated (NASDAQ: TSII), Shoreview, Minn., today reported increased sales and earnings for the second quarter and six month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The following table shows the results compared to last year:

	Second Quarter Ended		Six Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Sales	$9,307,000	$8,577,000	$18,515,000	$16,725,000
Earnings from continuing operations	555,000	511,000	978,000	932,000
Loss from discontinued operations	--	(82,000)	--	(131,000)
Net earnings	555,000	429,000	978,000	801,000
Per share earnings:				
Continuing operations	$.22	$.20	$.39	$.37
Net earnings	$.22	$.17	$.39	$.32

Dr. Leroy M. Fingerson, president, stated that he was pleased with both the second quarter and six month results because they are new highs for TSI and exceeded what was, for TSI, a very strong second quarter and six month period last year. He also indicated that order bookings for the six months were 15 percent ahead of last year and backlog as of Sept. 30 was 25 percent above

last year's level.

TSI is a recognized worldwide leader in providing measuring instruments for environmental monitoring and control, industrial process control and research applications emphasizing non-contact technology.

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#90295p7871 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, CO (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - U S WEST International Holdings, the Leningrad City Telephone Network Production Association (LCNA) and the Leningrad Station of Technical Radio Control (LSTC) today signed a joint venture agreement to build a cellular telephone network in Leningrad. It will be the first commercial cellular system in the Soviet Union.

At signing ceremonies today in Leningrad, U S WEST Chairman Jack MacAllister said the joint venture agreement involves an initial $6 million investment in cellular equipment by U S WEST International Holdings, a subsidiary of U S WEST Inc. (NYSE: USW). Substantial additional investment may be made in the future based on market demand and when additional spectrum is made available to the joint venture.

LCNA will own 55 percent of the joint venture, U S WEST 40 percent and LSTC 5 percent.

"This agreement is a significant step forward for the development of communications in the Soviet Union and is another example of U S WEST's growing role in the global telecommunications marketplace," MacAllister said. "With the monumental changes occurring in the Soviet Union, communications will play a vital part in the country's future success. This cellular system will provide quick access to additional lines for local and international services which are so important to economic growth."

Construction of the cellular telephone system will begin this year with the first service available in mid-1991 to about 3,000 customers. The proposed system will have the capacity to eventually serve 50,000 customers. When additional spectrum is made available, the joint venture will use it to expand service and capabilities.

In London, U S WEST International President Steven Andrews said: "The signing of this joint venture is the result of the good relationships U S WEST has established throughout the Soviet Union. U S WEST has made a long-term commitment to helping the Soviets improve their telecommunications environment.

"We are especially pleased to be working with the local Leningrad telephone company in providing the service since it plays such a vital role in meeting

the total communications needs of the community."

Victor Sorokin, director general of the Leningrad City Telephone Network Production Association, signed the joint venture on behalf of the Soviets and said: "We are pleased to join with U S WEST in providing improved communications services to the people of Leningrad. During the Goodwill Games in Seattle this past summer, we had the opportunity to experience first-hand the capabilities and technology of U S WEST. This was very important in our decision to select U S WEST as a partner."

Besides the financial investment, U S WEST will provide technical and operational expertise for the project. The Soviet partners will provide interconnection to the local network, local technical talent, land, buildings and labor.

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#90295p7876 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Mizlou Communications Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: MZLU) announced today that it has moved its Sports News Network (SNN) news bureau and production center to a new 25,000 square- foot, multi-million dollar facility in Edison, N.J. SNN went on line from Edison on Oct. 1, it was announced by Victor L. Piano, president of Mizlou Communications Company, Inc., the parent company of SNN.

Since its launch on Feb. 1, SNN's news bureau and production facilities have been housed at the Gannett Television Studios in Arlington, Va.

Mark Wenzel, Mizlou's chief financial officer, stated, "A substantial portion of the proceeds from our recent private placements went into the construction of this state-of-the-art facility. Our new studio was designed to operate more cost efficiently, and it is currently saving Mizlou over $200,000 in monthly operating costs."

The SNN facility in New Jersey is located in the Raritan Center Business Park in Edison, 27 miles from the Lincoln Tunnel. The state- of-the-art facility, also serves as the satellite uplink/downlink/ center for Sports News Network. According to Piano, the downlink facilities can provide for up to 30 feeds.

"We are very excited about the new SNN home," said Piano. "It is undoubtedly one of the most advanced television news facilities in the country and greatly enhances our newsgathering capabilities."

Sports News Network is the nation's first and only 24-hour sports cable news network. On the air since Feb. 1, 1990, Mizlou has signed affiliation

agreements in 15 of the top television markets, and has advertising agreements with over 35 major sponsors.

CONTACT: Jon Steinlauf of Mizlou Sports News Network, 212-244-3750, or Alex Ross or Susan Sherman of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Mizlou

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DETROIT (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - UAW President Owen Bieber and Vice President Ernest Lofton, who directs the union's Ford Department, said they were pleased by the overwhelming support given to the pattern- implementing new UAW-Ford agreement by UAW members at Ford facilities throughout the United States.

Bieber and Lofton announced that UAW-Ford members approved the agreement by a margin of 82 percent of those voting.

"The strong margin of ratification confirms that the union hit the center of the target on meeting Ford workers' needs for a pattern agreement that provides unprecedented levels of job and income security, major pension gains for current and future retirees, wage and income gains, and many other key improvements," said Bieber and Lofton.

"Ford workers recognized the extensive and productive work of the UAW-Ford National Negotiating Committee in tailoring the pattern that UAW first won at General Motors into an agreement meeting the specific needs and goals of Ford workers," they added.

Bieber and Lofton praised the leadership and membership of UAW-Ford local union "for maintaining a high level of solidarity and support for the bargaining team throughout the negotiations." They also credited the "constructive and realistic approach taken by Ford Motor Co. negotiators and top company officers toward reaching an equitable pattern agreement."

Lofton said that the formal signing of the new agreement, which covers approximately 106,000 UAW members, is scheduled for 3:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 26 at Ford World Headquarters in Dearborn, Mich.

CONTACT: Karl Mantyla of UAW, 313-926-5291

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#90295p7882 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPRINGFIELD, IL (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Springfield Ill.-based Marine Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCOR) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 13 cents per share, payable Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 17, 1991. The same amount was declared in the previous quarter.

Marine Corporation is a multibank holding company with assets of $1.130 billion. It is the parent of Marine Bank of Springfield, Marine Bank of Champaign-Urbana, Marine Bank of Bloomington-Normal, Marine Bank of Monticello and Marine Investment Management Company, an investment advisor.

CONTACT: Willard Bunn III, chairman and CEO, 217-525-9707, or Thomas H. Cartwright, VP-finance, 217-525-9701, both of Marine Corporation

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#90295p7883 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Bemis Company (NYSE: BMS) today reported that third quarter earnings per share increased 4 percent over the same period a year ago, with income of $12.4 million or 48 cents per share, compared to $12.1 million or 46 cents per share for the same period a year ago. Net sales for the three-month period were $271.7 million, compared to $262.2 million in 1989.

For the nine months, Bemis reported an earnings per share increase of 11 percent over the same period a year ago. Nine-month income was $35.5 million or $1.38 per share, compared to $32.4 million or $1.24 per share in 1989. Net sales for the nine months were $824.9 million, compared to $807.7 million in 1989.

John Roe, president and chief executive officer, said, "The company's earnings per share improved in the third quarter in spite of sizable startup costs related to the expansion of our pressure-sensitive materials business, as well as the heavy capital program underway throughout the company. While many of these costs will continue in the fourth quarter, this program should provide excellent profit potential as this new capacity becomes more fully utilized."

Bemis is a major supplier of flexible packaging and specialty coated and graphics products.

BEMIS COMPANY, INC.
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net Sales	$271,684,000	$262,161,000	$824,911,000	$807,709,000
Net income	$12,377,000	$12,055,000	$35,532,000	$32,392,000
Earnings per share	$.48	$.46	$1.38	$1.24
Average common shares and common stock equivalents outstanding (for computation of earnings				

per share) 25,705,000 26,159,000 25,702,000 26,088,000

CONTACT: Lisa D. Locken, 612-340-6130, or Benjamin R. Field, 612-340-6010, both of Bemis Company, Inc.

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#90295p7889 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

HERNDON, VA. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Philip D. Green, president of Neuromedical Technologies, Inc. (NMTI), announced that NMTI is once again on the NASDAQ system and will again be traded under the symbol NMTI.

He also announced that a clinical trial undertaken under the direction of Dr. Donald R. Jasinski at Francis Scott Key Medical Center (Johns Hopkins University) entitled "A Study to Determine the Safety and Efficacy of Transcranial Electrostimulation Therapy as an Aid to Smoking Cessation" has now been completed and that the results of this clinical study will be available in the very near future. "Dr. Jasinski has assured NMTI that the results of this clinical trial are being compiled at this time and a report will be available shortly," Green stated.

NMTI has, in addition, applied for a Small Business Innovative Research Grant to the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA). This grant is for the development of appropriate protocols for the studies to assess the efficacy of the company's patent technology in the alleviation of opiate withdrawal syndrome. Green stated that he had received an initial letter from the Department of Health and Human Services indicating that the grant had been reviewed and was recommended for approval by the Initial Review Group and that final funding decisions will be made in early November.

CONTACT: Robert J. Becker, vice president, Neuromedical Technologies, 703-848-4545

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CONTACT: Robert J. Becker, vice president, Neuromedical Technologies, 703-848-4545

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#90295p7892 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

RED WING, MINN. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Citizens Security Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSGI) announced today that its board of directors has declared its regular quarterly cash dividend of $.02 per share of common stock payable on Nov. 21, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 7, 1990.

Citizens Security Group Inc., which is engaged as a holding company in the preferred risk property and casualty business, is part of an insurance group which also includes Citizens Security Mutual Insurance Company, Citizens Fund Insurance Company and Insurance Company of Ohio.

Citizens Security Group Inc. common stock trades on the National Over-The-Counter market under the NASDAQ symbol CSGI.

CONTACT: Charles W. Bergner or Mary B. Plein, 612-388-7171, both of Citizens Security Group Inc.

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#90295p7893 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Rubicon Corp. (NASDAQ: RBCN) and Kaiser Permanente Southern California Region have announced the successful commencement of actual operations of the intRlab system installed at Kaiser's Southern California Region Special Chemistry laboratory. This regional facility, located in North Hollywood, Calif., provides centralized processing for patient specimens received from 10 medical centers. Kaiser's Glendale Cytology facility has been in actual operation on the Rubicon system since August 1989.

Rubicon's intRlab System, as installed for Kaiser Foundation of Southern California, utilizes a sophisticated specimen tracking methodology as well as programs to maintain results confidentiality and track turnaround time of analysis on specimens processed by the laboratory to provide improved patient

care and reduce costs.

Rubicon is a 15 year old, Richardson, Texas based developer of computerized laboratory information management systems for independent laboratories, hospitals and health maintenance organizations.

CONTACT: Rich Weitzel of Rubicon Corp., 214-231-6591, or Mohamed Abdelghani of Kaiser Permanente, 818-405-6056

-30- 1355

#90295p7894 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Oct. 19, 1990. All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields
(30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago
Conventional			
15-Year FRM	9.67	9.88	9.55
30-Year FRM	10.04	10.25	9.81
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	10.29	10.50	10.06
10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.			
Second Mortgages	9.680	9.850	9.630

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term) Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1%	6%	8.90	8.95	9.20	2.000%
1 (FHA)	1%	5%	9.15	9.20	9.45	2.000%
1(A)	2%	6%	7.85	7.90	8.20	2.250%
6 mos(A) (COF)(B)	1%	5%	7.95	8.00	8.30	2.125%

(A) - Rate reduction
(B) - 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM.
Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs.

LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
September 27, 1990	8.297	8.375	8.422	8.500
August 30, 1990	8.125	8.188	8.188	8.313

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week	Previous

	Ending 10/19/90	Year to Date	Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(A)	465.0	18,616.1	17,882.8
Purchases	479.2	18,735.3	16,307.7
MBS Issued	1,537.6	78,080.0	47,905.8

(A) - Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

CONTACT: Lisa Haas of Fannie Mae, (202) 752-7124.

-30- 2200

#90295p7895 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Detroit Edison Company (NYSE: DTE) today announced earnings for common stock for the three months ended Sept. 30 of $140.4 million, or 96 cents per share, up 7.7 percent from the $130.3 million, or 89 cents per share, for the same period a year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, earnings for common stock were $376.9 million, or $2.57 per share, up 21.4 percent from the $310.5 million, or $2.11 per share, for the same period a year ago.

The earnings increases were due to higher operating revenues and to continuing reductions in fuel and other power supply expenses. The increases in revenues resulted from rate increases in accordance with the company's 1988 rate case settlement and higher energy transmission services.

For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, earnings for common stock were $455.3 million, or $3.10 per share, compared with a loss of $162 million, or $1.10 per share, for the same period a year ago. The loss for the previous 12-month period resulted from a December 1988 write-off of certain plant costs disallowed by the Michigan Public Service Commission.

Sales records were set in the commercial and industrial classes for the three months ended Sept. 30. Total kilowatt-hour sales were up 0.4 percent from the same period a year ago, with industrial sales up 1.7 percent, commercial sales up 1.5 percent and residential sales down 1.8 percent.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, total kilowatt-hour sales were virtually the same as a year ago, with industrial sales down 0.6 percent, commercial sales up 1.9 percent and residential sales up 0.3 percent.

For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, total kilowatt-hour sales were down 0.3 percent from the same period a year ago, with industrial sales down 1.7 percent, commercial sales up 2 percent and residential sales up 0.5 percent.

The increases in commercial sales for the three-, nine- and 12-month periods were due primarily to continuing growth in the number of customers in the

company's southeastern Michigan service area.

The industrial sales increase in the third quarter resulted primarily from higher sales to large non-automotive customers. However, these increases were not enough to offset declining sales to the automotive and steel industries for the nine- and 12-month periods.

Residential sales were boosted during the year by the addition of new customers. However, for the third quarter this growth was not enough to offset the reduced use of air conditioning during the summer months.

CONTACT: Martin L. Bufalini II, (313) 237-8808, or Lorie N. Kessler, (313) 237-8807, both of Detroit Edison.

-30- 2868

#90295p7898 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

RED WING, MN (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Citizens Security Group Inc. (NASDAQ: CSGI) today reported operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Third quarter premiums earned were $5,410,978 compared to $4,068,599 for the same period in 1989. Realized gains on investments were $6,812 in the third quarter of 1990 compared to $37,953 in 1989. Third quarter revenues totaled $5,957,942 compared to $4,473,298 reported in the same period a year ago. Net income was $24,931 compared to a net loss of $1,746 in last year's third quarter.

Premiums earned were $15,697,334 for the nine months of 1990 as compared to $11,769,074 for the same period in 1989. Realized losses on investments were $20,785 in 1990 compared to realized gains of $202,435 in 1989.

Nine month revenues totaled $17,293,696 in 1990 compared to $13,016,581 reported in the same period a year ago. Net income was $273,253 or $.11 per share for the nine months of 1990. This compares with net income of $527,506 or $.21 in last year's nine months.

"We are pleased to have a 33 percent increase in our premiums earned due to increased premiums written and to our acquisition of Insurance Company of Ohio. However, our third quarter produced a substantial number of claims primarily from storm damage.

"Our 1990 third quarter net income was positively impacted by approximately $242,000 as a result of our annual inventory and reassessment of reported loss reserves. In prior years, this adjustment was reflected in our fourth quarter operating results," said Spencer A. Broughton, chairman, president and CEO. "Our book value per share is $4.43 at Sept. 30, 1990."

Citizens Security Group Inc., which is a holding company engaged in the preferred risk property and casualty business, is part of an insurance group which also includes Citizens Security Mutual Insurance Company, Citizens Fund Insurance Company and Insurance Company of Ohio. Citizens Security Group Inc. common stock trades on the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol CSGI.

CONTACT: Charles W. Bergner of Mary B. Plein, of Citizens Security Group, (612) 388-7171.

-30- 2377

#90295p7902 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Zurn Industries Inc. (NYSE: ZRN) today declared a 16.0 percent increase in the company's quarterly dividend on its $.50 par value common stock to $.22 per share from $.19 per share paid previously.

The increased amount is payable Jan. 15, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business Dec. 14, 1990.

According to George H. Schofield, chairman, "The board acted to declare an increased dividend payout at this time as a result of the company's record sales and earnings during fiscal 1990 and a continuing positive earnings outlook."

CONTACT: Steve Adams of Zurn Industries Inc., in Erie, (814) 452-2111.

-30- 869

#90295p7903 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

OYSTER BAY, NY (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Retail giant Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. has selected Acclaim Entertainment, Inc. (NASDAQ: AKLM) as "Vendor/Partner of the Quarter," representing the first time a video game publisher has been recognized in the history of the Wal-Mart vendor awards. Acclaim was selected by Wal-Mart executives based on its notable contribution to Wal-Mart's second-quarter growth, outstanding vendor communication, attentiveness and responsiveness to sales needs, and ongoing efforts to maximize its partnership with Wal-Mart.

"Acclaim is extremely proud to receive such recognition from Wal- Mart, one of the country's premier retailers," said Robert Holmes, president of Acclaim. "It is a pleasure working with this organization of professionals and we look forward to continuing to provide the company and its customers with the best service and products possible in the video game arena."

CONTACT: Sam Goldberg or Allyne Mills of Acclaim Entertainment, 516-922-2400

-30- 1170

#90295p7908 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - American Savings and Loan Association of Florida (NASDAQ: ASLA) today reported net income of $942,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 and a loss of $4.4 million for the nine months year to date. Pretax profits from continuing operations were $3.4 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 and $837,000 for the nine month period.

According to Harris C. Friedman, chairman and chief executive officer of American Savings, "The third quarter of 1990 showed continued improvement, including an increase in net interest income to $19.2 million, while continuing to bolster loan loss reserves.

"The most important goal facing American Savings, our stockholders and depositors is that we continue to meet and exceed all current and future regulatory capital requirements imposed on the banking industry. Our challenge as a management team is to maintain the proper strategic balance between short term earnings and long term stockholder value in order to achieve this goal."

American Savings continues to meet all current regulatory capital requirements. As of Sept. 30, 1990, American Savings had total assets of $4.87 billion, making it the largest Florida based savings and loan association.

American Savings currently operates a network of five mortgage offices and 55 retail banking offices in Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, Pinellas, Hernando, Pasco and Hillsborough counties. American Savings is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank System and its deposits are federally insured. American Savings' common shares are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ASLA.

CONTACT: Shannon Scally, AVP/shareholder relations, (305) 770-2196, or Roger C. Pastore, vice chairman/CFO, (305) 770-2088, both of American Savings and Loan Association of Florida.

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#90295p7909 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Polaris Industries Partners L.P. (AMEX: SNO) announced today the results of operations for the third quarter of 1990. For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the partnership had sales of $121,524,000 and net income of $21,660,000 or $2.25 per unit. Sales for the third quarter represent an approximate 25 percent gain over the sales of $97,133,000 recorded in the third quarter of 1989. Net income and net income per unit for the third quarter of 1990 advanced 30 percent and 9 percent, respectively, over net income of $16,638,000 or $2.06 per unit for the comparable 1989 quarter. As has been previously reported, net income per unit is affected by the financial reporting income allocations to the general partner.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Polaris recorded sales of $222,442,000 and net income of $28,767,000 or $2.94 per unit. Sales for the nine months of 1990 rose 31 percent over sales of $170,395,000 for the first nine months of 1989, while net income and earnings per unit advanced 53 percent and 27 percent, respectively, over the $18,778,000 or $2.32 per unit recorded for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 of $28,767,000 exceeded the net income of $26,190,000 recorded for the full year 1989.

Commenting on the results, Victor K. Atkins, Jr., general partner stated: "We are very pleased with these results. They were in line with plans and reflect continued strength in snowmobile shipments and to a lesser extent, ATV shipments in the quarter. We remain optimistic about the remainder of 1990 and continue to anticipate that results for the full year will show improvement over the strong performance achieved in 1989. Polaris continues to be the industry leader in snowmobiles, with its commitment to quality products, safety and environmental concerns."

Atkins also said, "the financial condition of the partnership remains strong. At Sept. 30, 1990 the partnership had no borrowings and had cash and cash equivalents of approximately $15.7 million. This compares to cash and cash equivalents of approximately $10.3 million at Sept. 30, 1989."

Polaris Industries Partners L.P. is a limited partnership which through a subsidiary partnership is engaged in the design, manufacture and marketing of snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles and related parts and equipment. Polaris Industries Partners L.P. trades on the American Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange under the symbol SNO.

CONTACT: Victor K. Atkins, Jr. of EIP Capital Corp., 212-319-8850

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#90295p7910 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Apogee Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ: APOG) directors have authorized the company to repurchase up to 500,000 shares of Apogee common stock. The repurchase of shares will be accomplished from time to time through the open market or in private transactions. The company has approximately 13.6 million shares outstanding.

"In view of Apogee's strong financial position and the current price level of our stock, we believe that repurchase of our own shares represents an attractive investment opportunity that will benefit the company and our shareholders," said Donald W. Goldfus, chairman and chief executive officer. The repurchased shares will be used for general corporate purposes, including employee stock compensation plans, he added.

Apogee is an industry leader in the fabrication, installation and distribution

of glass and aluminum.

Its products and services include glass, windows and curtainwall for commercial and institutional construction and remodeling markets; curtainwall installation at major high-rise construction sites; metal and glass coating services; fabrication, sale and installation of automotive glass and accessories; and such consumer-oriented products as venetian blinds, shutters and anti-reflection picture frame glass.

Headquartered in Minneapolis, the company's stock is traded on NASDAQ's National Market System under the symbol APOG.

CONTACT: Donald W. Goldfus or William G. Gardner, of Apogee, (612) 835-1874; Michael Rosenbaum or Janet Denefe, of The Financial Relations Board, (312) 266-7800, for Apogee.

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#90295p7911 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, IL (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Chemical Waste Management, Inc. (CWM) (NYSE: CHW) announced today that Thomas E. Noel has been named president and chief operating officer of its Chem-Nuclear Systems, Inc. subsidiary and that Dr. Rodger Henson was selected as vice president of its Southern region to succeed Noel.

Noel has served since November 1984 as CWM's Southern region vice president, based in Houston. In his new position Noel will have total management responsibility for Chem-Nuclear's radioactive waste disposal and remediation services. He will be based at Chem-Nuclear's headquarters in Columbia, S.C.

Henson served from 1982 until 1989 as general manager of the company's Emelle, Ala., facility which is the largest of the company's 16 treatment and disposal facilities around the country. Most recently he had been regional operations vice president for CWM's Southern region, based in Marietta, Ga.

Noel joined CWM after serving as president of EMPAK, Inc., an environmental services company in Houston. Prior to that he had served by presidential appointment as chief executive of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve Program.

Prior to joining CWM in 1978, Henson had worked for more than nine years as a research chemist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Noel was named to his new position succeeding Victor J. Barnhart, who was elected president and chief operating officer of The Brand Companies, Inc., the nation's largest asbestos abatement contractor, in which CWM owns a 48 percent equity position and in which CWM has announced its intention to increase the ownership to 52.5 percent pending the expiration or termination of the applicable regulatory waiting period.

Chemical Waste Management is the nation's largest environmental services company specializing in the reduction, recycling, treatment and disposal of hazardous and radioactive wastes and in environmental restoration projects.

CONTACT: Bob Reincke of Chemical Waste Management, (708) 218-1670.

-30- 2225

#90295p7914 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Apogee Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ: APOG) directors have adopted a shareholder rights plan designed to obtain fair and equal treatment for all Apogee shareholders, and to guard against coercive tactics in the event of a proposed takeover.

"Apogee has been studying the adoption of a rights plan for more than a year," said Donald W. Goldfus, chairman and chief executive officer, "and we feel it is appropriate to join the many public companies that have adopted such plans.

"This shareholder rights plan, like other protective measures adopted in prior years, is intended to preserve the long-term value of Apogee for all of its shareholders," Goldfus said. "It does not prevent a takeover, but it gives the board of directors added leverage to guard against coercive tactics that could be used to gain control of Apogee without paying all shareholders a fair price."

Under the plan, rights to purchase shares of a new series of preferred stock will be distributed as a dividend at the rate of one right for each share of common stock held by shareholders of record on Nov. 6, 1990. The rights, which will expire ten years later on Nov. 6, 2000, will automatically accompany current shares outstanding and will trade with them. The rights distribution is not taxable to shareholders.

Each right will entitle the holder to buy one one-hundredth of a share of a new series of junior preferred stock at an exercise price of $70. The rights will be exercisable only if a person or a group (with certain limited exceptions) acquires or makes a tender offer for ten percent or more of Apogee's outstanding common stock.

Certificates representing the rights will be sent to shareholders only if they become exercisable. The Apogee board may redeem the rights at one cent per right at any time prior to the 20th day following the acquisition of a ten percent position.

If an acquiror purchases ten percent of Apogee's common stock without the board redeeming the rights, each right will entitle its holder to purchase, at the right's then-current exercise price, shares of Apogee common stock having a market value of twice the right's exercise price.

The rights will also be exercisable for discounted Apogee common stock in the event that an acquiror merges into Apogee and leaves Apogee's stock outstanding and unchanged.

If Apogee is acquired in a merger or sells 50 percent or more of its assets or earning power, each right will entitle its holder to purchase a number of shares of the acquiring company's common stock having a market value of twice the right's exercise price.

CONTACT: Donald W. Goldfus or William G. Gardner, of Apogee, (612) 835-1874; Michael Rosenbaum or Janet Denefe, of The Financial Relations Board, (312) 266-7800, for Apogee.

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#90295p7918 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKY MOUNT, NC (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Centura Banks Inc. has declared a fourth quarter cash dividend of 15 cents per share. The dividend will be paid on Dec. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990.

It is the first dividend declared by the new bank holding company, which will be formed with the merger of Peoples Bancorporation (AMEX: PBK) and The Planters Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: PNBT) on Nov. 2.

Centura Banks Inc. will be the seventh largest bank holding company in North Carolina with total assets in excess of $2.6 billion.

CONTACT: A. Douglas Haynes, Manager, Corporate Communications, Centura Banks, Inc., 919-977-8429

-30- 818

#90295p7919 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, Minn. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Bioplasty, Inc. (NASDAQ: BIOP) announced record sales and profits for its year ended 1990. Net revenues for fiscal 1990 were $7,872,441 or a 65 percent increase compared to net revenues for fiscal 1989. Net income for fiscal 1990 was $445,791 compared to net income for fiscal 1989 of $286,398. Net income per common share for fiscal 1990 was $.15 compared to net income per common share for fiscal 1989 of $10. The company attributes the increase in net income for fiscal 1990 to increased sales of its MISTI(TM) Silicone Gel Breast Implants.

In December of 1989 Bioplastique(TM) Micro-Textured Implants were introduced into the western European market. This product is an injectable implant used to correct facial contour defects. Its major advantage over other injectable materials currently in use is that Bioplastique is not biodegradable and will result in a permanent correction of a defect. The company believes that the

same advantages which make Bioplastique useful in cosmetic surgery will allow the material to be effective for implanting in the tissue surrounding the base of the bladder and could restore control to the millions of women who experience urinary stress incontinence. Bioplasty is currently seeking a joint venture partner to exploit this new product potential in the urology market.

On Aug. 30, 1990, Bioplasty introduced MISTI GOLD(TM) Bio-Oncotic(TM) Gel Breast Implant, a technological breakthrough in breast implants. The MISTI GOLD has received market clearance in the United States and several European countries. The MISTI GOLD ushers in a new generation of biomaterials technology. Traditional silicone and saline filled mammary implants have been found to block x-rays creating problems in locating cancerous tissues on mammograms. Bio-Oncotic gel is a gold-colored implant filler which has been found to be more transparent to x-rays than either silicone gel or saline solution filler.

The company will hold its annual shareholders meeting at 4 p.m. on Dec. 18, 1990, at the Omni North Star Hotel in Minneapolis.

Bioplasty, Inc. has more than 18 years experience in the development and marketing of plastic surgery products worldwide. Bioplasty stock is currently traded on NASDAQ national market system under the symbol "BIOP."

CONTACT: Tim Lawin of Bioplasty, 612-636-4112

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#90295p7920 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Baroid Corporation (NYSE: BRC) today announced that its board of directors has established a record date of Oct. 29 1990, for the spin-off of its petroleum services business approved by the board in August.

The spin-off will be effective on that date and old Baroid Corporation will change its name to Tremont Corporation and the spun-off petroleum services entity will adopt the name Baroid Corporation

Stockholders of record on the record date will be sent an information statement and a form for use in transmitting their old Baroid stock certificates to the transfer agent.

Upon delivery of the old stock certificates, stockholders will receive one share of new Baroid Corporation common stock for each old share held in the company. In addition, the old Baroid stock certificates will be reissued bearing the new name, Tremont Corporation.

The company also stated that the New York Stock Exchange has advised the

company that the last trading day for old Baroid Corporation common stock will be Oct. 29, 1990. Trading in both new Baroid Corporation (NYSE: BRC) and Tremont Corporation (NYSE: TRE) will begin on Oct. 30 on a "when-issued" basis.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Georgia Power Co.'s net income after preferred stock dividends was $376 million for the first nine months of 1990, $16 million less than earnings for the same period last year.

Company earnings for the 12 months ending Sept. 30 were $433 million, compared with $478 million in earnings for the same period in 1989.

The earnings decreases were attributed to higher operational costs and insufficient rate recoveries from Plant Vogtle and Plant Scherer.

Georgia Power has asked the Georgia Supreme Court to review a state Public Service Commission ruling disallowing a portion of the utility's investment in Plant Vogtle Unit 1. If the disallowance is upheld, the utility will have to charge an additional $190 million against earnings.

The company has also agreed in principle to sell Plant Scherer Unit 4. "We experienced a steady increase in sales this summer while our customers set five new records for electricity consumption," said Bill Dahlberg, Georgia Power's president and chief executive officer. "But even though our sales were better than expected, higher costs continued to reduce our earnings."

Retail sales were 4.6 percent higher for the first nine months of 1990 than for the same period in 1989, increasing from 39,615,898 to 41,457,519 megawatt hours.

Also, Georgia Power reported the addition of more than 27,000 new customers during the year ending Sept. 30.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (AMEX: DPU) and Stolle Research and Development Corporation have formed a partnership to tap the rapid growth expected in the absorbable medical products market.

The new company, Medisorb Technologies International L.P. (MTI), will partner with pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and medical device companies to

incorporate absorbable technology in new and existing products.

The company will develop drug delivery systems and implants, with services ranging from concept and raw materials to testing and manufacturing. MTI combines Du Pont's experience in polymers and material science with Stolle's expertise in biomaterials and controlled-release technology.

The innovative technology allows drugs encapsulated in absorbable polymer to be injected or implanted into humans or animals. As the polymer is absorbed, the drug is released at a controlled rate. The polymer breaks down into lactic acid, which occurs naturally in the body.

The company currently is working on more than 50 applications for the human and animal health markets. Anticipated growth in bioabsorbable polymer systems for the human health market will increase from $3 million this year to more than $200 million by 1994. Growth in the animal health market is expected to be even higher.

"MTI can do more than just meet the immediate needs of this expanding market. The combination of Stolle and Du Pont will help turn biomedical applications that were just a vision five years ago into reality," said Dr. Lee Beck, executive vice prsident of Stolle Medical Products, a subsidiary of Stolle Research and Development Corporation.

"Rarely do you see synergy between two companies result in significant advances in both medicine and biotechnology. This is an immediate opportunity with exciting implications for our customers in both fields," said John C. Breckenridge, director of industrial chemicals for Du Pont.

"We believe the potential for absorbable polymers in the biomedical field is limitless," said Dr. Danny H. Lewis, president of MTI and a world-renowned expert in the technology.

"For instance, many of the new genetically engineered drugs to treat cancer will require some form of time-release approach to make them practical for human use."

He also cited vaccines and steroids for hormone replacement as two applications in which sustained, predictable dosages over an extended time period will minimize side effects and improve the effectiveness of treatment.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T today announced an innovative

consumer program that will enable Minnesota customers to purchase AT&T products at considerable discounts.

Called "AT&T Quality Connections," the program enables AT&T long-distance customers to buy AT&T products and pay for them in 12 monthly installments. There is no finance charge. In addition, the products will be discounted up to 25 percent based on customers' monthly AT&T long-distance charges. New and current subscribers to the AT&T Reach Out(R) America long-distance calling plan can earn discounts of up to 50 percent.

"This plan makes AT&T an even better value for our Minnesota customers," said Jim Shannon, manger of the AT&T Quality Connections program. "The beauty of the plan is that it gives consumers one-stop shopping convenience, and installment plan and price savings - all wrapped up into one neat offer."

The AT&T 5325 Cordless Phone, priced at $179.88, and the AT&T 1125 Answering System, priced at $129.96, are offered through the Quality Connections program. Monthly payments on the answering system, for example which are $10.83 (plus shipping and handling), will be reduced by ten percent of each month's AT&T long-distance charges, with a maximum discount of $2.71 per month.

To participate in the Quality Connections program, customers can call 1-800-242-1003, Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. (Eastern time) and Saturday and Sunday between 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. (Eastern time), or write to: AT&T Quality Connections Program, P.O. Box 2502, Cedar Grove, N.J. 07009-9822.

AT&T will deliver the product directly to customers' homes at a charge of $7.90 per product, where it can be trialed free for 30 days. AT&T plans to expand the product line offered through the Quality Connections program in 1991.

CONTACT: Mike Pruyn, (612) 334-2170 (office), (612) 431-4160 (home), or Jack Matosian, (612) 334-2172 (office), (612) 559-5112 (home), both of AT&T.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - National Football League Properties, Inc., the marketing arm of the National Football League, has signed a new three-year agreement with The Coca-Cola Company (NYSE: KO) for exclusive worldwide marketing and promotional rights in the soft drink category through March 1993.

NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue and M. Douglas Ivester, president, Coca-Cola USA, today jointly announced the agreement which gives Coca-Cola the exclusive rights to use the name, symbols, emblems, designs and colors of the NFL and its individual member clubs in the soft drink arena. This agreement includes rights to the Super Bowl and AFC-NFC Pro Bowl.

Coca-Cola has been the official soft drink beverage sponsor of the National Football League since 1984. The contract also gives Coca-Cola rights to market its association with the NFL internationally. The company has been designated an official sponsor of the American Bowl, a series of games played outside of the U.S. In addition, Aquarius, a Coca-Cola product in Japan, now is the official sports drink of the NFL in Japan.

"As the National Football League continues to gain momentum outside the U.S., it is only natural for us to expand our partnership with Coca-Cola and its international network," said Mr. Tagliabue. "The tremendous presence and leadership of Coca-Cola will enhance our efforts."

Under separate contracts, The Coca-Cola Company and its bottlers also have promotional arrangements with many teams and players, as well as product availability in 27 of 28 NFL stadiums.

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#90295p7930 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - ConVest Energy Partners, Ltd. (AMEX: CEP) announced today that definitive proxy materials were mailed to unitholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990, notifying them of a Dec. 7, 1990 meeting at which unitholders will vote on a proposal to combine CEP with two entities affiliated with ConVest Energy Corporation (CEC), the general partner of CEP.

The proposed business combination involves CEP, ConVest Subco, Inc. (Subco), a subsidiary of CEC and Sanderling Oil Company, L.P. (Sanderling), a Delaware limited partnership affiliated with CEC. The definitive merger agreement provides for a newly organized Texas corporation (Newco) to succeed to all of the assets, liabilities and operations of CEP, Subco and Sanderling pursuant to a series of tax-free transactions (the Combination).

If the combination is approved, unitholders will receive one share of Newco Common Stock for every two units of CEP that they currently hold. Upon consummation of the combination, Newco will change its name to Convest Energy Corporation and its common stock will be listed on the AMEX.

Consummation of the combination requires that CEP unitholders holding more than 50 percent of the units outstanding, vote in favor of the combination. It is also required that more than 50 percent of the unitholders voting at the meeting, other than CEC, vote in favor of the combination. The Dec. 7, 1990 meeting will be held at 10 a.m., CST, at the Westin Oaks Hotel, 5011 Westheimer, Houston.

ConVest Energy Partners, Ltd. is a publicly traded master limited partnership whose principal business activities include the development and operation of oil and gas properties and the acquisition of additional producing properties. ConVest Energy Corporation serves as general partner of CEP and currently owns approximately 14 percent of the partnership interests.

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PONTIAC. MICH. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Jerome L. Schostak, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Schostak Brothers & Company, Inc., has been elected to the board of director of Perry Drug Stores, Inc. (NYSE: PDS).

"Our entire board is looking forward to having Jerry Schostak as a director," said Jack A. Robinson, Perry chairman and chief executive officer. "He is an exceptional strategic thinker and will help us immensely as we work to continue to improve our profitability. His counsel and advice on policy matters will be invaluable."

Schostak Brothers is a major commercial and industrial real estate development management and brokerage firm which has participated in the development of major shopping centers, office buildings and industrial properties in the Great Lakes states and throughout the United States.

In addition to serving as chairman, president and chief executive officer of Schostak Brothers, Mr. Schostak is a member of the executive committee of the board of directors of First Federal of Michigan, a NASDAQ company. He also has served as chairman and chief executive officer of Winkelman's Stores, Inc. a regional women's retail clothing store chain, which was listed on the American Stock Exchange.

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#90295p7933 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASHVILLE, TENN. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of HCA - Hospital Corporation of America today declared a quarterly, pay-in-kind dividend on its $4.375 Cumulative Exchangeable Preferred Stock. The dividend will be payable January 7, 1991 to holders of record of Preferred Stock on November 9, 1990.

The dividend will be paid at the rate of $1.09375 per share. In accordance with the terms of this security, the dividend will be paid in additional

shares of HCA -- Hospital Corporation of America preferred stock. Holders will receive .04 share of Preferred Stock for each $1 value of dividend.

Holders of record of fewer than 23 shares will receive cash in lieu of additional shares of Preferred Stock.

As of October 22, 1990, approximately $398.4 million of HCA - Hospital Corporation of America Cumulative Exchangeable Preferred Stock was outstanding. Approximately $17.4 million of additional Preferred Stock will be issued in connection with the January dividend.

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#90295p7934 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - RF&P Corporation (NASDAQ: RFPC) reported today that consolidated net earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $10.0 million, or $0.57 per share, up fifteen percent when compared with the $8.8 million, or $0.50 per share, earned in the third quarter of 1989.

The Company reported that total operating revenues in the third quarter were $26.3 million, up fifteen percent over 1989. Rail transportation revenues were down three percent due to a decline in freight traffic volume, partially offset by a higher level of pricing. Real estate revenues increased forty percent due to higher cash flows from the Crystal City real estate projects, partially offset by lower gain on sale of land and lower partnership income.

Total operating expenses increased $2.1 million due primarily to an increase in the reserve for estimated cleanup costs in connection with a creosote contaminated site in Spotsylvania County.

For the first nine months of 1990, net earnings were $20.4 million, or $1.16 per share, down seventeen percent when compared to the $24.6 million, or $1.39 per share, earned during the same period last year.

Total operating revenues were $60.7 million, up $2.1 million, or four percent. The increase was attributable to higher cash flows from the Crystal City real estate projects, partially offset by lower partnership income and a reduction in freight traffic volume.

Total operating expenses increased a modest one percent. The increase in the reserve for estimated environmental cleanup costs and higher real estate operating costs were nearly offset by the decrease in rail operating expenses. The decrease in rail expenses was attributable to the recognition of income, that had been previously deferred, as a result of the arbitration settlements in connection with the Norfolk Southern/Conrail diversion at Potomac Yard and

lower rail operating expenses.

Investment income declined $5.1 million as a result of the $6.8 million gain from the 1989 sale of a portion of the Company's investment in Trailer Train Company stock. Partically offsetting the 1989 stock gain was higher interest income.

Also affecting 1990 earnings was the $3.9 million write-off of expenses incurred in connection with the 1989-90 consolidation discussions with CSX Corporation. Such discussions ultimately led to a merger agreement which was terminated on March 23, 1990.

RF&P CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS
(In millions, except per share amounts)

	For the Quarter Ended September 30		Favorable (Unfavorable)
OPERATING REVENUES	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Rail Transportation	$12.7	$13.1	(3)
Real Estate	13.6	9.7	40
Total	26.3	22.8	15
OPERATING EXPENSES:			
Rail Transportation	9.7	9.6	(1)
Real Estate	3.2	1.2	(174)
Total	12.9	10.8	(19)
OPERATING INCOME	13.4	12.0	12
INVESTMENT INCOME	2.3	1.8	31
MERGER RELATED EXPENSES	--	--	--
EARNINGS BEFORE INCOME TAXES	15.7	13.8	14
INCOME TAXES	5.7	5.0	(13)
NET EARNINGS	$10.0	$ 8.8	15
EARNINGS PER SHARE	$ .57	$ .50	15

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,		Favorable (Unfavorable)
OPERATING REVENUES:	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Rail Transportation	$ 38.8	$40.4	(4)
Real Estate	21.9	18.2	20
Total	60.7	58.6	4
OPERATING EXPENSES:			
Rail Transportation	26.6	28.8	7
Real Estate	5.3	2.8	(88)
Total	31.9	31.6	(1)
OPERATING INCOME	28.8	27.0	7
INVESTMENT INCOME	6.7	11.8	(44)
MERGER RELATED EXPENSES	(3.9)	--	--
EARNINGS BEFORE INCOME TAXES	31.6	38.8	(19)

INCOME TAXES	11.2	14.2	21
NET EARNINGS	$ 20.4	$ 24.6	(17)
EARNINGS PER SHARE	$ 1.16	$ 1.39	(17)

(NOTE: Percentage changes are based on whole dollar amounts)

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#90295p7937 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has proposed a $40,000 civil penalty against Georgia Power Co. for alleged violation of NRC requirements at the Vogtle nuclear power plant, operated by Georgia Power Co. near Waynesboro, Ga.

The NRC has notified Georgia Power Co. that the fine is being proposed because of the company's failure to make offsite notifications of emergency conditions at the plant on March 20, in a timely manner as required by regulations.

The NRC said the plant experienced a loss of all vital offsite power to Unit 1 on March 20 when a truck in the low voltage switchyard backed into a support column for an offsite power line. An emergency diesel power generator failed to operate properly for 36 minutes, resulting in declaration of a Site Area Emergency. Plant personnel failed to make initial emergency notification to the Burke County (Ga.) Emergency Operations Center and the Georgia Emergency Management Agency Operations Center within the required 15 minutes.

Actual notification took approximately one hour, the NRC said, due to the failure of the plant's Emergency Notification Network in the plant control room because of the loss of offsite power and the design of the backup network which could not reach the Georgia emergency agencies.

The NRC said plant personnel failed to use an emergency notification system located nearby in the plant's Technical Support Center, a failure compounded by training and procedural deficiencies which contributed to delay of the notification process.

The plant did notify the NRC within the prescribed time and notified South Carolina within 17 minutes. However, the NRC said the agency was particularly concerned with the Georgia failure because Burke County is the location of most of the residents in the emergency planning zone around the plant.

The NRC said the base civil penalty for this violation was $80,000 but that it was reduced in this case by 50 percent due to the company's "prompt and extensive corrective actions to prevent recurrence." These actions include a significant modification to the primary emergency notification system to

include an uninterruptable power supply, modification of the backup system to enable contact with all outside agencies, installation of simultaneous facsimile transmission capability, enhanced training of emergency personnel, and procedural changes giving emergency notification of Georgia agencies increased priority.

The company has 30 days from receipt of the notice of the proposed civil penalty to either pay the fine or to protest it, in whole or in part.

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#90295p7938 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPRINGFIELD, MASS. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company and management of Oppenheimer Management Corporation (OMC) today announced the completion of their acquisition of Oppenheimer Management Corporation, one of the largest mutual fund management companies in the United States.

MassMutual, the nation's 11th largest life insurance company, and approximately 60 members of OMC's management acquired the firm from British & Commonwealth Holdings PLC.

OMC is one of the country's leading investment management companies, with over $14 billion of mutual fund assets under management. The purchase price is approximately $150 million, subject to adjustments.

Earlier this month, shareholders of the funds managed by Oppenheimer approved new investment advisory agreements between OMC and the funds. These agreements had been approved by the mutual funds' independent directors in July and August.

Following the acquisition, Oppenheimer Management Corporation will continue to operate independently and will retain its key management. The change of ownership will not affect shareholders' investments in Oppenheimer mutual funds.

MassMutual President and Chief Executive Officer, Thomas B. Wheeler, said, "MassMutual's ownership interest in OMC, consistently one of the best known names in the mutual fund industry, demonstrates our desire to be a major player in this industry."

OMC President and Chief Executive Officer, Jon S. Fossel, stated: "The combination of our present management team with one of the highest quality life insurance companies in the U.S. will make Oppenheimer Management Corporation stronger than ever."

A $25 billion company, MassMutual is a leading provider of individual life products, employee life, health and pension benefits and investment management services, including its own family of nine mutual funds. As a mutual life insurer, MassMutual has no stockholders, but shares its financial gains in the form of dividends to policyholders.

Oppenheimer Management Corporation manages 45 mutual funds with assets in excess of $14 billion in more than 1.2 million shareholder accounts.

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#90295p7942 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, IL (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Champion Parts, Inc. (NASDAQ: CREB), a major remanufacturer of replacement parts for cars, trucks and farm equipment, today reported a profit for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a loss in both of these periods last year.

For the third quarter of 1990, the company reported net earnings of $192,000 or 5 cents per share, compared to a loss of $393,000 or 11 cents per share in the 1989 quarter. Net sales remained steady at $31,181,000, compared to $31,312,000.

In the nine months of 1990, the company reported net earnings of $871,000 or 24 cents per share, compared to a loss of $1,460,000 or 40 cents per share a year earlier. Net sales increased to $92,827,000 from $90,429,000.

Charles P. Schwartz Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Despite intense competition in the automotive aftermarket, Champion Parts has sustained the turnaround that began with the first quarter of 1990. We expect this positive trend to continue in the fourth quarter."

Schwartz attributed the gains to positive factors that have been evident since the beginning of the year, namely, improved product mix, along with the benefits of price increases and overhead cost reductions. Lower interest expense reflected a reduction in debt.

"Inventories having been reduced, factory overhead is now more fully absorbed by higher production levels. We are currently on overtime at some plants," said Schwartz. "Through this program, Champion Parts has been positioned to operate profitably under present aftermarket conditions. New business is being sought only if it is expected to enhance Champion's profit margins.

"Because of our diversity of customers," Schwartz continued, "we believe Champion Parts should benefit from strength in auto maintenance and repairs

that many industry observers believe occurs in an unsettled economy such as now exists. Moreover, while gasoline is currently more expensive, it is readily available so that driving remains at high levels, causing vehicle parts to wear out."

Champion Parts is the country's largest independent automotive replacement parts remanufacturer in the multi-billion-dollar automotive, truck and farm equipment aftermarket. It remanufactures, tests and distributes approximately 5 million parts each year throughout the U.S. and Canada. Its major products, representing some 80 percent of the sales volume of rebuilt parts sold by automotive jobbers and retail outlets, include fuel system products such as carburetors, and a complete line of automotive electrical and mechanical parts. The company employs 2,100 men and women and operates five major plants in the U.S. and Canada.

CHAMPION PARTS, INC.
CONSOLIDATED RESULTS
(Unaudited)

	Third Quarter Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$31,181,000	$31,312,000	$92,827,000	$90,429,000
Earnings (loss) bef. interest, income taxes and cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	1,404,000	765,000	5,070,000	704,000
Interest	1,074,000	1,466,000	3,569,000	4,227,000
Earnings (loss) bef. income taxes and cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	330,000	(701,000)	1,501,000	(3,523,000)
Income taxes (benefit)	138,000	(308,000)	630,000	(1,553,000)
Earnings (loss) bef. cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	192,000	(393,000)	871,000	(1,970,000)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting				

principle (a)	---	---	---	510,000
Net earnings (loss)	192,000	(393,000)	871,000	(1,460,000)
Net earnings (loss) per common share: Earnings (loss) bef. cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	$.05	($.11)	$.24	($.54)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	---	---	---	$.14
Net earnings (loss) per common share	$.05	($.11)	$.24	($.40)
Average shares outstanding	3,655,266	3,642,034	3,651,822	3,638,590

(a) -- The company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 96, "Accounting for Income Taxes," resulting in a favorable adjustment of $510,000.

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#90295p7945 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILLIAMSBURG, VA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The enactment of legislation calling for further government interference in the gasoline market could seriously weaken the economic viability of branded gasoline marketing, the president of Amoco Oil Company said here today.

"Further government meddling in our businesses could lead to higher gasoline prices and reduced quality and efficiency," William G. Lowrie told the North Carolina Petroleum Marketers Association annual fall convention.

He said that issues including divorcement, open supply and proposed amendments to the petroleum marketing practices act, could divide suppliers and jobbers and deteriorate into an 'us versus them' equation.

Increased governmental intrusion could well start a chain of events which would restrict the ability of marketers to run their own businesses and respond to a rapidly changing and ever-competitive marketplace, he said.

"I strongly believe that we can ill afford to invite additional governmental controls over our businesses and our future," Lowrie said, noting that Congress has not been able to live within its own budget, produce a rational

energy policy, or solve the nation's economic crisis.

Lowrie said that temporary market distortions that have strained operations, marketing activities and customer relations have moderated to a great extent.

Suppliers and jobbers alike should concentrate efforts on actions that will contribute to mutual success in the marketplace in the long-term, he said.

"One of the greatest strengths of our business has been our ability to accept risks and to plan activities on a basis that extends beyond short-term considerations," he said.

Amoco has worked hard and invested significant human and financial resources to support the value of its name, its reputation for quality, and its commitment to environmental responsibility, Lowrie said.

The company's vested, long-term interest in -- and commitment to -- the success of jobbers, includes product quality assurance, research, advertising, sales promotions, and environmental innovations.

By working toward mutual objectives, "Amoco and its jobbers are better able to respond effectively and forthrightly to one another's concerns and ideas for growth," he said.

The public is sending a loud and clear message that there will be a strong demand for products from marketers who are environmentally responsible, he added. Amoco will continue to commit resources to meet the increasingly demanding environmental and fuel-economy standards that lie ahead, he said.

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-30- 2891

#90295p7946 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, N.C. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - First Bancorp's (NASDAQ: FBNC) president, Mr. John Wallace, announced today that consolidated net income for the quarter ended September 30, 1990 was $521,731, or 38 cents per share, compared to $492,250, or 36 cents per share, for the same quarter of 1989. Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 was $1,442,313, or $1.05 per share, compared to $1,411,550, or $1.03 per share, for the corresponding period of 1989. Earnings per share have been restated to reflect 10 percent stock dividends paid in January 1990 and 1989.

Net interest income increased 13.7 percent to $2,526,362 for the three months ended September 30, 1990 compared to $2,222,263 for the same period of the previous year. Non-interest expenses increased $14.3 percent, primarily as a result of increased personnel costs.

Additionally, the Company received regulatory approval of its plans to open new First Bank branch offices in Laurinburg and Aberdeen, two new markets for the Bank.

First Bancorp is a bank holding company based in Troy, North Carolina. Its principal activity is the ownership and operation of First Bank, a state-chartered bank that operates 25 branch offices in an eight county market area centered in Troy.

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#90295p7951 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Lubrizol Corporation (NYSE: LZ) announced that consolidated revenues for the third quarter of 1990 which ended on Sept. 30 were $366.6 million, an increase of 33 percent over the same period of last year. Specialty Chemicals shipments increased by 16 percent over the third quarter of 1989.

Consolidated net income was $96.3 million, or $2.74 per share. This included a gain of $62.9 million after taxes and related expenses, or $1.79 per share, from the sale of Genentech stock. These results also included a charge of $5 million, or $.14 per share, related to the planned closing of manufacturing facilities at Huelva, Spain. Consolidated net income for the third quarter of 1989 was $21.4 million, or $.57 per share.

For the first nine months of 1990, consolidated revenues were $1.1 billion, an increase of 14 percent over the same period last year. Consolidated net income was $158.5 million, or $4.42 per share. This includes the charge and gain mentioned above. For the first nine months of 1989, consolidated net income was $78.1 million, or $2.09 per share. There were no special charges or gains during this period.

L.E. Coleman, chairman, said, "We are pleased with the strong performance of the Specialty Chemicals segment in the third quarter. Shipments increased by 16 percent over the relatively weak third quarter of 1989 and were a record for the company. Again this quarter, most of the increase was in the international market. Shipments to North American customers improved in the third quarter but remained behind last year for the nine months. Prices were increased late in the third quarter due to the large increases in crude oil prices and the effect that this is having on our material costs. Uncertainty about the Mideast situation coupled with increasing prices for lubricant components may have inspired some inventory buildup by our customers and partially explain the large volume of shipments in the third quarter.

"The Huelva, Spain, manufacturing facility started production in 1968. With

the entrance of Spain into the European Economic Community and the resulting removal of import restrictions, the Spanish lubricant market has steadily moved from southwestern Spain, where Huelva is located, to the northeastern part of the country. Better road, rail and water transportation has influenced this move. To better serve our customers, we will establish storage facilities in the Barcelona area and close our Huelva plant.

"The merger of Genentech and Roche Holdings was finalized in September. We received $106 million in cash and three million shares of Genentech redeemable common stock."

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NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Newpark Resources, Inc. (NASDAQ: NPRS) today reported net income of $464,000 ($0.11 per share) on revenues of $11,559,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to a net income of $274,000 ($0.10 per share) on revenues of $10,026,000 in the corresponding quarter of 1989.

For the nine months, Newpark's net income totaled $953,000 ($0.29 per share) on revenues of $32,885,000, which compares with net income of $1,167,000 ($0.43 per share) on revenues of $29,506,000 for the same period of 1989.

Per share results have been adjusted to reflect the additional shares issued in connection with the June 28, 1990 restructuring and a 1-for-10 reverse stock split which became effective July 16, 1990.

NEWPARK RESOURCES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(unaudited, in 000's except per share data)

Period ended	Third Quarter		Nine Months	
Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$11,559	$10,026	$32,885	$29,506
Net earnings	464	274	953	1,167
Net earnings per share	.11	.10	.29	.43
Wtd. avg. shares outstg.	4,372	2,720	3,283	2,720

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Technology Marketing Inc. (NASDAQ: TMKT) today announced that it has appointed a new president and chief operating officer, Guntis Melbardis. Melbardis replaces George Wells who had been

acting in that capacity for the past several months.

Melbardis brings with him extensive experience in the electronics industry, most recently as group vice president for Flextronics Inc., an electronic contract manufacturer. Previously, he had been chairman and chief executive officer of MCM Industries Inc., the parent company of Electronic Test Center (ETC) and EMD, and prior to that held several management positions in Texas Instruments Inc.

Technology Marketing Inc. (TMI) is a provider of high technology automatic test equipment, magnetic tape certification systems and custom engineering and development services of computer-based systems to manufacturers and service providers in the electronic industries. TMI was incorporated in 1969 and issued shares to the public in 1981. Its corporate offices are in Irvine.

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#90295p7958 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - A new generation of products designed to significantly improve the screening accuracy and consistency of Pap smears and other cytologic samples was introduced by Cytyc Corporation at the American Society of Clinical Pathologists. These products, currently in clinical trials, provide an "end-to-end" solution for the accuracy problems associated with cervical cancer screening and other diagnostic procedures in cytology.

Stanley N. Lapidus, president of Cytyc, said: "Our products are designed to help physicians and cytotechnologists control the Pap smear procedure from beginning to end, including cell collection, preparation, screening and analysis which provides for improved patient diagnosis. Cytyc believes that the innovative technology contained in our "end-to- end" approach will not only lead to a new standard of consistency and accuracy, but will also result in better medicine at lower cost.

"The introduction of our technology provides a timely response to the increased concern for diagnostic accuracy, the shortage of cytotechnologist, and new federal regulations," he added.

According to Lapidus, clinical trial sites for Cytyc's products include New England Medical Center, Salem Hospital and Brigham and Women's Hospital. Martha Hutchinson, M.D., Ph.D., of New England Medical Center, said, "Results from the initial stages of our trials with Cytyc's products have far exceeded our expectations. By significantly improving the quality of the Pap smear itself, as well as offering computer-based visual and quantitative analysis of the smear, Cytyc's products address concerns about the error rate of Pap smear screening.

Cytyc's products include the ThinPrep(R) Processor, which prepares a thin uniform layer of cells on a slide from the patient's sample rather than one "smeared" onto a slide, and the CDS-1000(tm) System, a computer directed screener which analyzes the slides prepared by the ThinPrep Processor. Additional products include proprietary reagents and disposables for Pap smears and for cytological applications.

Cytyc Corporation is developing a range of products for the clincal cytology laboratory to lower test cost while providing tools to improve the accuracy of cytologic diagnosis. These products include the end-to- end solution for Pap smear screening as well as applications in other areas of cytology, histology and pathology. The company's headquarters and research and production facilities are located in Marlborough, Mass.

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-30- 2816

#90295p7959 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

STOUGHTON, MA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Reebok will be the exclusive athletic footwear advertiser on the NBC network Olympic broadcasts from Barcelona in 1992, it was announced today by David Ropes, Reebok vice president of marketing services.

The company has signed a multi-million dollar contract with NBC, granting Reebok footwear exclusivity during the broadcast period of July 24 to Aug. 9. Reebok's Olympic involvement also includes a variety of merchandising and promotional opportunities.

"The 1992 Olympics are one of the most important international sporting events " said Ropes. "The sponsorship will speak directly to our consumers through our advertising, and our relationship with NBC Sports will be extended through to the retail level with extensive national consumer promotions," he continued.

Reebok International Ltd. (NYSE: RBK), headquartered in Stoughton, Mass., is a leading designer and marketer of active lifestyle and performance products, including footwear and apparel.

The company's operating units include the Reebok footwear and apparel divisions, The Rockport Company, AVIA International and Boston Whaler, maker of recreational boats.

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#90295p7962 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
CINCINNATI (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Penn Central Corporation (NYSE: PC) today reported 1990 third quarter net income of $26.7 million or $.43 per share, compared with 1989 third quarter net income of $29.2 million, or $.41 per share. The increase in earnings per share occurred despite the reduction in net income, as a result of fewer average shares outstanding during the 1990 third quarter. Net revenues for the 1990 third quarter increased to $562.5 million from $468.9 million in the 1989 third quarter.

Penn Central's net income is computed after a deduction in lieu of current federal income tax, because income that would otherwise be taxable is offset by pre-reorganization loss carryforwards. This deduction is not accruable or payable. The company's third quarter 1990 income before this deduction was $39.6 million, or $.63 per share.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $77.8 million, or $1.22 per share. For the first nine months of 1989, income before a gain on the disposition of foreign wire and cable manufacturing operations was $80.3 million, and earnings per share before the gain was $1.14. Including this gain, net income for the first nine months of 1989 totaled $148.8 million, or $2.10 per share.

Penn Central ended the third quarter of 1990 with shareholders' equity of $1.6 billion, or $30.45 per share.

Penn Central operates businesses primarily in the areas of industrial manufacturing, defense services, insurance and energy.

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#90295p7963 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
HERSHEY, PA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Hershey Foods Corp. (NYSE: HSY) today announced record consolidated net sales and earnings from operations for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales were $735,438,000 compared with $682,375,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Net income was $56,557,000, or $.63 per share, an increase of 8.4 percent, compared with $52,195,000, or $.58 per share, for the same qarter last year.

Net sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $1,952,543,000 compared with $1,740,093,000 for the first nine months of 1989. Net income was $169,491,000 or $1.88 per share, compared with $116,964,000, or $1.30 per share, for the comparable period last year.

Net income for the first nine months includes a one-time, after-tax gain of $35,295,000, or $.39 per share, as a result of the sale of the corporation's interest in AB Marabou, a Swedish confectionery company, which was consummated on May 23, 1990. Excluding this one-time gain, net income increased by 14.6 percent for the nine-month period. Weighted average shares outstanding were 90,186,336 for all periods.

"As we expected, the increase in net sales and net income for the third quarter was somewhat less than was achieved during the first half of the year. Nonetheless, our results are quite good, especially when viewed in the context of our significant investment in new products and last year's extremely strong third quarter," said Richard A. Zimmerman, chairman and chief executive officer. "Consolidated net sales grew primarily as a result of volume growth, particularly as it relates to new products, as well as the acquisition of Ronzoni Foods Corporation in February 1990. Hershey Chocolate U.S.A. and Hershey Pasta Group were the primary contributors to increased earnings in the quarter as a result of the higher level of sales they achieved.

"We are pleased with our results for the third quarter and first nine months because they were achieved despite accelerated, costly new product activity, as well as constant competitive pressures. We firmly believe our current investments in new products will pay longer-term benefits in terms of market share growth and profitability," Zimmerman concluded.

HERSHEY FOODS CORP.
Summary of Consolidated Statements of Income
For the periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, and Oct. 1, 1989
(in thousands of dollars except per share amounts)

	Third Quarter		Nine Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$735,438	$682,375	$1,952,543	$1,740,093
Costs and Expenses:				
Cost of sales	433,434	420,231	1,146,916	1,055,951
Selling, marketing & administrative	201,362	167,793	563,179	471,580
Total costs and expenses	634,796	588,024	1,710,095	1,527,531
Gain on Sale of Equity Interest	--	--	60,540	--
Income before Interest and Income Taxes	100,642	94,351	302,988	212,562
Interest Exp., net	7,908	6,629	18,788	15,984
Income before Income Taxes	92,734	87,722	284,200	196,578
Provision for Income Taxes	36,177	35,527	114,709	79,614
Net Income	56,557	52,195	169,491	116,964

Net Income per Share	$.63	$.58	$1.88	$1.30

Note: Net Income per Share has been computed based on the weighted average number of shares of Common Stock and Class B Common Stock outstanding during the period.

Average shares outstanding were 90,186,336 for all periods. Included in the nine months of 1990 is the after-tax gain on the sale of the corporation's equity interest in AB Marabou of $35,295,000, or $.39 per share, which was consummated on May 23, 1990.

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#90295p7965 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - At today's meeting, the board of directors of The Lubrizol Corporation (NYSE: LZ) increased the quarterly dividend to 38 cents per share from 36 cents per share, an increase of 6 percent. The dividend is payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 9, 1990.

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#90295p7967 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

VINEYARD, UT (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of its announced modernization program, Geneva Steel (NYSE: GNV) said today that it plans to install a continuous casting facility designed to produce thin slabs as well as conventional thick slabs. In a "quick exchange" operation, the caster will convert from producing conventional slabs to producing thin slabs.

The facility will be connected to Geneva's existing rolling mill operation to allow direct rolling of cast slabs without the necessity to reheat the slabs from cold.

Joseph A. Cannon, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, "Geneva is the first United States producer to announce the installation of thin slab casting at an integrated steel plant. This newest phase of our modernization program demonstrates Geneva's intention to incorporate technological advancements into our steelmaking operations."

The new caster will be designed to produce conventional slabs of six inches thick, which can be utilized to produce Geneva's existing product mix of hot-rolled sheet, plate and pipe. Typical end uses for these products include

gas and water pipelines, ships, fabricated metal products and construction applications.

The caster will also be engineered to produce two-inch thin slabs.

The operating cost benefits of the new caster will further contribute to Geneva's already low cost steel production. Geneva's steel in currently produced in open hearth furnaces, which are scheduled to be replaced next year by basic oxygen process (Q-BOP) furnaces currently under construction.

Geneva has selected SMS Concast, a member of the SMS Group, to design the caster facility. SMS will incorporate into the design of Geneva Steel's continuous caster facility the experience of the first Compact Strip Production plant. The SMS Group has designed the widest caster currently operating in the world, and has also designed the first commercially operating thin slab caster," said Herb Fastert, president of SMS Concast.

Geneva Steel has also selected Lockwood Greene to perform construction engineering and Layton Construction of Utah to construct the facility.

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#90295p7970 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) announced that during the months of August and September it reopened the following debenture issues:

$90,000,000	8.45 percent	due	07/12/93
$50,000,000	9.65 percent	due	08/10/20
$50,000,000	8.80 percent	due	06/10/93

These securities were sold through the facilities of Debenture Selling Group members for the accounts of customers.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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#90295p7975 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) announced that during the months of August and September it repurchased the following debenture issues:

$50,000,000	8.15 percent	due	08/12/96
$50,000,000	7.90 percent	due	08/12/96
$50,000,000	7.70 percent	due	12/10/96
$25,000,000	11.70 percent	due	05/10/95
$25,000,000	11.50 percent	due	02/10/95
$25,000,000	8.00 percent	due	07/10/96
$38,000,000	8.45 percent	due	10/21/96
$25,000,000	10.10 percent	due	10/11/94
$20,000,000	9.35 percent	due	02/12/96

These securities were purchased through the facilities of Debenture Selling Group members for the account of Fannie Mae. Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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#90295p7977 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILKES-BARRE, PA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Franklin First Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: FFFC), parent holding company of Franklin First Federal Savings Bank, today announced that net income for the third quarter was $1.7 million or 36 cents per share, compared to $1.5 million or 32 cents per share for the same period last year, an increase of 8.3 percent.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income totaled $5 million or $1.06 per share, compared to $4.3 million or 89 cents per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, an increase of 17.5 percent.

Elmer J. Klimchak, chairman and chief executive officer of Franklin, stated, "We are very pleased with our results, particularly with the current economic conditions adversely affecting so many financial institutions. Deposits are up, asset quality has improved, and performance ratios remain strong."

At Sept. 30, 1990, assets stood at $841.9 million, deposits increased to $646.1 million, up $4.9 million from the previous quarter. Shareholders' equity equaled $97.6 million for a book value of $21.50. With goodwill of only $2.9 million, tangible book value stood at $20.86.

Franklin improved its asset quality ratios during the third quarter. Non-performing loans at Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $7.5 million, 1.4 percent of total gross loans compared to $7.8 million, 1.5 percent of total gross loans at the end of the second quarter of 1990. The allowance for loan losses totaled $4.2 million, 55.9 percent of non- performing loans at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $4 million, 50.4 percent of non-performing loans at the end of the second quarter of 1990.

During the quarter, Franklin completed the first phase of a stock repurchase program by repurchasing 5 percent (238,923 shares) of its common shares outstanding, making the current total shares outstanding 4,539,552 as of Sept. 30, 1990.

On Oct. 18, Franklin announced a 23 percent increase in its quarterly dividend from 13 cents to 16 cents per share. The dividend is payable Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 15.

Franklin First Financial Corp.'s common stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol "FFFC." The price of its stock at the close of business on Oct. 19, 1990, was $7.375. Franklin First Financial Corp. is headquartered in Wilkes-Barre. Its sole subsidiary, Franklin First Federal Savings Bank, is a federally chartered, federally insured savings bank which conducts operations throughout northeastern Pennsylvania through 19 full-service offices and two lending centers.

FRANKLIN FIRST FINANCIAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARY
Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition
(Dollars in thousands, except per-share amounts)

Assets:	Sept. 30 1990 (Unaudited)	Dec. 31 1989
Cash and non-interest bearing deposits	$7,301	$4,745
Interest-bearing deposits in banks	8,872	31,673
U.S. government and other investment securities	77,959	89,652
Loans receivable, net	521,467	461,800
Mortgage-backed securities, net	193,138	233,714
Interest receivable	7,101	6,427
Investment in Federal Home Loan Bank, at cost	5,682	5,362
Real estate owned, net	1,942	1,796
Premises and equipment, net	8,438	8,335
Excess of cost over fair value of assets acquired, net	2,940	3,076
Other assets	7,027	7,792
Total	841,867	854,372
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity:		
Liabilities:		
Savings deposits	$646,071	$625,969
Short-term borrowings	4,218	36,221
Borrowings from Federal Home Loan Bank	32,500	26,000
Collateralized mortgage obligations, net	46,811	49,840
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	3,048	5,931
Other liabilities	11,605	13,777
Total liabilities	744,253	757,738
Shareholders' Equity:		

Preferred stock, $.01 par value, authorized 10 million shares; none issued	--	--
Common stock, $.01 par value, authorized 20 million shares; issued 4,778,475, 1990 and 4,768,475, 1989	48	48
Additional paid-in capital	35,780	35,695
Retained earnings, substantially restricted	64,041	60,891
Total	99,869	96,634
Less treasury stock, at cost, 238,923 shares	2,255	--
Total shareholders' equity	97,614	96,634
Total	$841,867	$854,372

FRANKLIN FIRST FINANCIAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARY

Consolidated Statements of Income

(Unaudited; dollars in thousands, except per-share amounts)

Periods ended	Nine months		Three months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest income:				
Loans and mortgage-backed securities	$53,813	$50,390	$17,946	$16,994
Investments	6,324	5,940	1,940	2,025
Total interest income	60,137	56,330	19,886	19,019
Interest expense:				
Deposits	33,406	32,336	11,407	11,165
Short-term borrowings	1,250	2,615	41	132
FHLB borrowings	1,758	1,887	606	651
Collateralized mortgage obligations	3,461	1,255	1,137	1,215
Total interest expense	39,875	38,093	13,191	13,163
Net interest income	20,262	18,237	6,695	5,856
Provision for loan losses	1,191	921	485	296
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	19,071	17,316	6,210	5,560
Other income (expense):				
Fees and charges	2,025	1,754	625	625
Gain (loss) on sale of:				
Loans and mortgage-backed securities	493	(12)	--	172
Investments	(609)	26	(1)	(2)
Other	121	48	6	13
Total other income	2,030	1,816	630	808
Other expense:				
Compensation and employee benefits	5,277	4,934	1,772	1,622
Occupancy and equipment	1,638	1,685	544	514
Marketing	607	643	145	163

Data Processing	696	647	239	210
SAIF insurance	1,069	913	387	307
Other	3,322	3,298	993	1,038
Total other expense	12,609	12,120	4,080	3,854
Income before income tax expense	8,492	7,012	2,760	2,514
Income tax expense	3,482	2,748	1,104	985
Net income	5,010	4,264	1,656	1,529
Earnings per share	$1.06	$.89	$.36	$.32

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#90295p7979 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) has announced a major change in its research and development organization with the creation of a new function called "Regulatory and Clinical Development" (R&CD). This group will coordinate all P&G activities aimed at gaining regulatory approvals for the company's drug, cosmetic, and certain food products worldwide.

The new group will manage Procter & Gamble's worldwide interaction with the agencies which regulate the approval of drugs, cosmetics and foods. It will be responsible for preparing P&G submissions to these agencies and working with them throughout the approval process.

R&CD will be staffed by experts from the company's existing research and development organization and will work closely with a range of departments at P&G.

Commenting on the significance of the reorganization, P&G chairman and chief executive Edwin L. Artzt said, "This new function will help us work more closely and effectively with the world's regulatory agencies to get important product innovations to consumers even more quickly."

The R&CD group will be divided into three areas of focus: prescription drugs, non-prescription drugs and food ingredients. P&G business segments which are affected include health care, beauty care and certain foods, such as olestra, P&G's calorie-free far replacement.

Dr. Michael D. Young will be appointed Manager, Regulatory and Clinical Development, with overall responsibility for this new function. Young has extensive experience in regulatory affairs and clinical research. He will continue to report to Geoffrey Place, vice president- research and development for Procter & Gamble.

Procter & Gamble makes and markets a wide range of products for consumers and

industry. For fiscal 1989-90, P&G had worldwide sales of $24.1 billion. About one-third of these total sales came from health and beauty care products.

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#90295p7981 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Rada Electronic Industries Limited (NASDAQ: RADIF) announced today that at the annual general meeting of shareholders held today, the company's shareholders approved a one-for- two reverse stock split of its ordinary shares. As a result of the reverse split, the number of the company's ordinary shares was reduced by a ratio of two-to-one effective the close of the U.S. securities markets today.

The company's shares on a post-split basis will be quoted on NASDAQ beginning on Oct. 23, 1990, under the symbol "RADFD."

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#90295p7982 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Presidio Oil Company (AMEX: PRS.A) today announced that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.025 per share on the company's Class A common stock, payable Nov. 29, 1990 to holders of record Nov. 5.

Presidio Oil Company is an independent oil and gas company engaged in onshore oil and gas exploration, development and production in the continental United States, primarily in Wyoming, North Dakota, Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, New Mexico, and West Virginia. Presidio also gathers, transports and markets gas through its gathering systems in Wyoming and West Virginia. Presidio's securities are traded on the American Stock Exchange and on the London International Exchange under the symbols PRS/A and PRS/B.

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#90295p7986 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Genus Inc. (NASDAQ: GGNS), today announced financial results for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Sales for the third quarter were $9.6 million, down 60 percent from third quarter 1989 sales of $24.2 million.

Net loss for the quarter was $6.2 million against net income of $3.8 million

posted for third quarter of 1989. Net loss per share for the third quarter of 1990 was 56 cents compared to net income per share of 33 cents for the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, sales were $40.5 million, net loss was $10.5 million, and net loss per share was 94 cents. These results are compared to sales of $63.1 million, net income of $8.5 million and net income per share of 82 cents for the first nine months of 1989.

Richard D. Hannigan, Genus Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, said, "This past quarter saw a continuation of disappointments at our Ion Technology division located in Newburyport, Mass. We had no shipments of our MeV ion implanters during the quarter.

As a result of poor performance and our desire to conserve cash, we eliminated all non MeV related activity and reduced headcount and spending at that location to a break-even level consistent with shipment of one system per quarter, which we believe is achievable going forward. In conjunction with these actions, we took a write-off of $2 million in third quarter."

"Although this has been another loss quarter for Genus, we saw improved bookings in our Thin Film Division and success in several head-to-head battles with our competition," stated Genus Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, William W.R. Elder.

"We have booked orders from four new customers for our blanket tungsten products and we saw the fruits of some of our recent R&D efforts in tungsten technology reach the market with the introduction of our 8720ST system for blanket tungsten. The 8720ST is the result of Genus' joint development efforts with SemaTech over the past year."

Genus will be exhibiting its first entry into the integrated products arena at Semicon Japan this week. This system, the 6000, integrates batch blanket tungsten CVD and single-wafer etching for balanced high throughput in volume production of tungsten plugs in advanced semiconductor manufacturing.

Much interest has already been shown in this new system. The company has shipped seven 6000s to customers in the United States, Europe, and Japan, and another six are in backlog.

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#90295p7992 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - John H. Harland Co. (NYSE: JH) today reported record third quarter sales of $91.3 million for the third quarter ended Sept.

30, an increase of 6.0 percent over last year.

Net income was $13.2 million, compared to $13.8 million for the same period of 1989. Net income per share was 35 cents, compared with 37 cents in 1989.

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $275.5 million, representing an increase of 6.3 percent over 1989, while net income was $43.2 million vs. $43.0 million in 1989. Net income per share was $1.15 in 1990, compared to $1.14 last year.

"Check units increased 5.9 percent during the third quarter, and our implementation of offset printing technology further improved company productivity 3.9 percent versus 1989," said Robert R. Woodson, president and chief executive officer. "However, increased operating costs associated with this investment in offset and other production technology impacted our results.

"Softness in the Florida market caused our results from that state to be below normal," said Woodson. "In addition, the performance of J. William Company, our specialty printing subsidiary, was less than last year. However, we were extremely pleased with the results of our wholly owned subsidiary Scantron Corporation."

On Oct. 2, the company agreed to purchase 675,986 shares of common stock of Courier Dispatch Group Inc. (NASDAQ: CDGI) from certain shareholders comprised primarily of the chairman of Courier and his family. This acquisition, when completed, will bring the company's interest in Courier to 51 percent. On Oct. 16, Harland proposed to the board of Courier to acquire the balance of Courier stock at a cash price of $3.75 per share. The board of Courier is considering the offer.

Also during the quarter, Harland introduced a patriotic check design to its MasterPieces(TM) product line. "The situation in the Middle East has created a resurgence in patriotism in this country, and the Love The U.S.A.! check targets that movement," said Woodson.

Atlanta-based Harland is a major national participant in the financial and educational fields with production facilities across the United States and in Puerto Rico.

CONTACT: Robert R. Woodson, president, or W. Micheal Dollar, treasurer, 404-981-9460, both of John H. Harland Co.

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#90295p7993 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Capital Bank, N.A. today reported a net loss of $453,000, or $1.18 per share, for the first nine months of 1990 compared with net income of $467,000, or $1.23 per share, during the same

period in 1989.

For the third quarter of 1990, the bank posted a net loss of $569,000, or $1.48 per share, compared wtih net income of $166,000, or $.44 per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

Chairman Abel Holtz attributed the loss primarily to an increase in the provision for loan loss reserves due to a significant weakening of the real estate market for the Washington Metropolitan area.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets increased to $91.3 million from $85.4 million a year ago. Deposits rose 8.5 percent from $75.1 million to $81.5 million, and net loans increased 5.8 percent from $60.2 million to $64 million. Stockholders' equity, a major barometer of the bank's financial strength, totaled $7.0 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

Effective September 1990, bank regulations were revised to require computation of "leverage" ratio to replace the primary capital ratio. A minimum ratio of three percent is required for well-run financial institutions. Capital Bank, N.A.'s leverage ratio at Sept. 30, 1990 was 7.17 percent.

Capital Bank, N.A. is headquartered in Washington on Connecticut Avenue, N.W., and has branch offices in Friendship Heights and Adams Morgan. The bank is affiliated with Florida-based Capital Bank, the largest U.S. minority-owned bank, with $1.1 billion in assets and 26 South Florida offices. It also is affiliated with Los Angeles-based Capital Bank of California, which has assets of $279 million and ten offices in Southern California.

CONTACT: Manny Sanchez, vp/controller of Capital Bank, N.A., (202) 872-4141.

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ANN ARBOR, MICH. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Great Lakes Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: GLBC) announced it is considering alternatives for the exchange of its 7-1/4 percent convertible subordinated debentures due in 2011. Among the alternatives being considered is an offer to debentureholders to exchange their debentures for a new issue of Great Lakes Bancorp subordinated debentures. The bank anticipates that any exchange offer would not have a substantial effect on its interest expense.

Great Lakes Bancorp has 52 branches in Michigan and operates Dollar Federal Savings Bank, a subsidiary with five branches in the north- Cincinnati area. Great Lakes also operates Great Lakes Mortgage Co., a mortgage banking subsidiary. With $3.7 billion in assets, Great Lakes Bancorp is Michigan's second-largest savings bank.

CONTACT: James S. Patterson of Great Lakes Bancorp, 313-769-8300,

ext. 4116

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#90295p8000 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Research, Inc. (NYSE: CYR) today reported revenue of $186,641,000 and net earnings of $27,553,000, or $.99 per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with revenue of $210,163,000, net earnings of $30,645,000, and earnings per share of $1.04, in the third quarter of 1989.

Revenue for the first nine months of 1990 was $549,525,000, compared with $454,561,000, for the first nine months of 1989. Net earnings were $79,611,000, or $2.81 per share, compared with $36,568,000, or $1.24 per share for the same period one year ago.

John A. Rollwagen, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "While we continue to expect flat revenue this year, we see significant opportunities to improve 1990 earnings over last year. Operating expenses are in line with expectations and, we expect to meet our installation schedule for the year.

As expected, order signing was weak in the third quarter, totalling approximately $83 million in net contract value, compared with approximately $145 million for the third quarter of 1989. Our backlog at the end of the quarter was about $230 million vs. $295 million at the end of the second quarter and $315 million at the end of third quarter 1989."

Rollwagen said the company is preparing a 1991 budget that calls for about a 10 percent increase in net contract value of installations in 1991 over 1990. This budget is based on current operations review and the company's 1991 prospect list. "Our ability to serve the market is bolstered by the fact that we have introduced new product offerings covering the full range of high-performance computing needs from $250,000 to $25 million," he said.

Customers accepted systems and upgrades during the quarter with a net contract value of approximately $148 million. Of the systems installed at customer sites in the third quarter, 10 were new systems and five were used systems.

Cray Research, Inc. designs, manufactures, markets, and supports large-scale, high-speed computer systems for scientific and engineering applications.

CONTACT: Frank Parisi (media) or Laura Merriam (financial), 612-333-5889, both of Cray Research

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#90295p8005 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeles Corp. (AMEX: ANG) has announced

that Angeles unitholders who participate in the current offering to tender a portion of their units (AMEX: ANG.E) for Angeles common stock will receive 3.1 shares for each unit tendered. This rate provides tendering unitholders with a premium of 32 percent, based on the average closing prices of both the common stock and the units over the last 10 business days, or a premium of 25 percent, based on today's market prices, which the company believes are more representative. The exchange, entirely voluntary, is available to all unitholders through Oct. 26, 1990.

Angeles will accept a maximum of up to 20 percent of the outstanding units. Unitholders may tender 100 percent of their units, but acceptance of the excess units for exchange cannot be determined until the end of the offering. Excess units tendered will be accepted for exchange on a pro rata basis until the overall 20 percent is reached.

Each Angeles unit consists of one-half share of Angeles common stock, subordinated indebtedness in the form of one fiftieth of a $1,000 12 1/2 percent subordinated debenture maturing in 2005 and the cash payment of a total of $.875 of principal to be paid over the next three-and-one-half years. (A principal payment of $.125 per unit was paid Oct. 15, 1990)

Angeles Corp is a diversified investment management company whose subsidiaries manage in excess of $4 billion of securities, real estate, mutual fund and leased equipment assets for corporations, institutions and 127,000 individual investors.

CONTACT: Steve Leach of Angeles Corp., 800-421-4374, ext. 598, or 213-284-3598

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#90295p8006 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOLLAND, Mich. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Paul G. Kalkman was elected president and chief operating officer of Donnelly Corporation (AMEX: DON) last week in Holland. He succeeds Dwane Baumgardner who was serving the company as president and chief operating officer as well as chairman of the board and chief executive officer. Baumgardner will continue as chairman and chief executive officer.

Kalkman joined Donnelly Corporation in 1966 and, during his career, has served the company in many capacities including profit plan manager and manufacturing manager. During the last eight years, he was vice president then senior vice president of the Modular Systems Business Group.

For the last 14 months, Kalkman was the executive vice president and chief operating officer for Donnelly's Automotive Business Group in Holland. In that position, he was responsible for all Donnelly automotive products which include Automotive Vision Systems (automotive interior and exterior rear view mirror components and assemblies, and interior lighting systems) and Modular

Window Systems (windows for cars, vans and trucks).

A native of Holland and a graduate of Ferris State University, Kalkman lives in Holland with his wife, Linda, and their three children.

Donnelly Corporation is an international company dedicated to serving customers around the world with high-quality fabricated, molded and coated glass products for the transportation and electronics markets. The company has been based in Holland since 1905 and today operates from 12 separate facilities in western Michigan. In addition, Donnelly has a major manufacturing facility in Naas, Ireland; a marketing liaison office in Tokyo and in Detroit; an Advanced Technology Center in Tucson, Ariz.; and a manufacturing facility (in conjunction with Asahi Glass of Japan) in Mount Pleasant, Tenn. Donnelly is also recognized as a leader in the application of participative management practices.

CONTACT: Maryam Komejan of Donnelly Corporation, 616-394-2437

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#90295p8008 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Maxwell, chairman of Maxwell Communication Corporation plc ("MCC"), announces the completion of the repayment of U.S. $990 million short-term (one year) bank borrowings entered into in October 1989, as part of U.S. $3 billion syndicated bank facility to help finance the acquisition of Macmillan, Inc. and Official Airline Guides, which cost MCC approximately U.S. $3.4 billion.

U.S. $575 million have been prepaid between January and June 1990 (well ahead of schedule).

U.S. $415 million will be repaid on Oct. 23, 1990 (on due date).

The remaining syndicated bank debt:

U.S. $750 million are not due for repayment until October 1992, and U.S. $1,260 million are not due until October 1994.

For full details of transactions which have been completed, agreed or agreed subject to contract, see pages 6 and 7 of the company's circular to shareholders dated Oct. 18, 1990, convening an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders for Monday, Nov. 5, 1990.

The disposals already achieved and announced will increase attributable profits in the current year to March 1991. The proceeds which will arise from additional disposals which are in hand will be used to reduce the group's borrowings further. The directors are determined to reduce the debt to equity ratio to 1 to 1 or below as quickly as possible.

Current Trading & Prospects
The interim results of the company will be announced on Nov. 20, 1990. The group's publishing and professional information operations are continuing to trade strongly. The directors are particularly pleased with the operations in North America where profits are ahead of budget.

CONTACT: Robert Maxwell of Maxwell Communications, 071-822-2000

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#90295p8012 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Chevron Petroleum Co. of Colombia, has signed an association contract with Empresa Colombiana de Petroleos (Ecopetrol), the national oil company of Colombia, to cover exploration and development of a new area called "Sumapaz," located about 50 miles (80 kilometers) southwest of the capital city of Bogota.

Chevron Petroleum Co. of Colombia will be the operator and during the exploration phase will hold 100 percent interest in the contract area, which covers approximately 435,000 acres in the rugged terrain between the eastern Andean Cordillera and the Upper Magdalena River valley. Any production resulting from the program would be divided between Chevron and Ecopetrol according to a sliding scale dependent on cumulative production after payment of national royalties.

The agreement provides for an exploration period of six years, with a program of approximately 150 kilometers of seismic acquisition, and a geologic field program to be carried out during the first year. At least one exploratory well might be drilled in each subsequent year of the agreement, depending on the results of the program.

Chevron has been active in Colombia since 1921, opening its first office there in 1924. Chevron Petroleum Co. of Colombia, headquartered in Bogota, holds 50 percent interest in two fields in the Llanos Basin: the Castilla field has produced an average of 13,500 barrels of oil per day in 1990. A successful step-out well in the Chichimene field increased reserves to 16.5 million barrels, and average production is now approximately 1,100 barrels per day. Expanded development of this field is scheduled to begin this year.

CONTACT: Jan Bayles of Chevron, 212-303-3833

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#90295p8017 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Quipp Inc. (NASDAQ: QUIP) today released the following:

QUIPP INC.

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$3,381,885	$3,139,383	$9,248,079	$9,435,886
Net income (Loss)	$26,639	($125,499)	($127,707)	($618,786)
Earnings (Loss) per share	$.02	($.08)	($.08)	($.40)
Number of Shares Outstanding	1,506,673,	1,530,415	1,506,573	1,546,965

CONTACT: Robert McAbee of Quipp Inc., 305-623-8700

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#90295p8019 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - AorTech, Inc. today announced the financial results for the second quarter and six month period ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net sales for the second quarter were $288,525 bringing net sales for the six months to $367,285. The net loss for the second quarter was $313,765 bringing the net loss for the six months to $714,939. On a per share basis, the net loss is $.09 for the second quarter and $.21 for the six month period. The quarter-to- quarter revenue increase is attributable to re-establishing and increasing the manufacturing capacity after the company's reorganization in February 1990 and the corresponding shipments to the company's distributors.

For a number of months prior to AorTech's reorganization in February 1990, the company's manufacturing and distribution operations were suspended.

AorTech, Inc. manufactures and distributes prosthetic heart valves. The company's common stock trades over-the-counter in Minneapolis/St. Paul.

CONTACT: Gregory J. Ruehle or David I. Norling, of AorTech, 612-481-1208; or Tom de Petra of First Financial Investor Relations, 612-338-7630, for AorTech

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#90295p8031 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines today announced that J.C. Pope will continue to serve as the company's executive vice president-marketing and finance and chief financial officer and announced two key appointments in its marketing and finance divisions which report to Pope.

United's vice president and acting treasurer, Louis J. Valerio, has been named senior vice president-finance. In this position, Valerio will be responsible for the controller's function, treasury, audits and security, tax, financial

planning and analysis, and purchasing. He joined United in 1988 as vice president-financial planning and analysis.

United also named Adam M. Aron senior vice president-marketing. Aron most recently served as senior vice president-marketing for Hyatt Hotels Corp. In his position with United, Aron will be responsible for advertising and promotion, passenger and cargo sales, reservations and marketing programs. The areas of planning, investor relations and the Covia subsidiary will continue to report to Pope.

"Under Mr. Pope's leadership, these two key appointments will position United to compete aggressively as we move forward with our strategic plan," said United Airlines Chairman and President Stephen M. Wolf.

Pope joined United and its parent, UAL Corp. (NYSE: UAL), in 1988 as executive vice president and chief financial officer. He came to United after having served as an officer of American Airlines from 1977 until early 1988.

Prior to joining United in 1988, Valerio served as assistant vice president-financial planning and analysis for American Airlines, where he worked for more than eight years. Before entering the airline industry, Valerio was employed by the United States Railway Association in Washington, D.C.

Aron joins United from Hyatt Hotels Corp. in Chicago where he served as senior vice president-marketing since 1987. Prior to his position at Hyatt, he served as vice president-marketing programs for Western Airlines, Inc. in Los Angeles and before that, as system director - marketing plans and programs for Pan American World Airways, Inc. in New York.

CONTACT: Joe Hopkins, (708) 952-5770, or Sara Dornacker, (708) 952-6561, both of United Airlines Corporate Communications.

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#90295p8034 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Index Technology Corporation (NASDAQ: INDX), a leading developer of computer-aided software engineering (CASE) products, today reported revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $10,416,000, up 15 percent from revenues of $9,078,000 for the corresponding period of 1989.

The company reported a net loss for the quarter of $505,000, or 11 cents per share, based on 4,505,000 weighted average shares outstanding, compared with net income of $626,000, or 13 cents per share, based on 4,645,000 weighted average shares outstanding, for the same period a year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income totaled $456,000, or 10

cents per share, compared to $1,849,000, or 40 cents per share, for the comparable period last year. Revenues for the nine month period were $34,815,000, up 31 percent from $26,582,000 for the same period in 1989.

Richard A. Carpenter, chairman and chief executive officer of Index Technology attributed the loss to development costs associated with its next generation products as well as some order delays that have resulted in lower than expected revenues.

"We are in an aggressive period of new product roll-outs that form the basis of our long-term strategy for the CASE marketplace in the 1990s and beyond," said Carpenter. "During the quarter we introduced the first two of four major new products that are the result of an intensive two-year planning and investment period. We expect continued pressure on earnings due to the ongoing investment in our long-term strategy as well as the difficulty in predicting revenues from these products," said Carpenter.

In July, Index Technology introduced 4FRONT -- the first CASE product to feature online methodology and project management support -- which was developed under a strategic alliance with the professional services firm of Deloitte & Touche. In September, the company introduced Excelerator for Design Recovery, the first product to bring CASE analysis and design capabilities to the critical problem of maintaining, enhancing and documenting existing information systems.

"In addition to delivering new products, we continue to strengthen our management team and to direct resources toward the expanding international CASE market," said Carpenter. "We recently appointed a new vice president of Asia/Pacific as well as a vice president of European Operations, who is creating an infrastructure for providing international customer service and support."

Robert G. Lowe, the new vice president of European Operations, will direct sales and marketing operations throughout Europe, the Middle East and Africa, and Robert J. Collins, the new vice president of Asia/Pacific, will supervise activities in Australia, Japan, Korea and Taiwan. The company also announced the opening of new subsidiaries in Denmark and Sweden.

Index Technology was founded in 1983 and is headquartered in Cambridge, Mass. The company markets its Excelerator Series of systems analysis and design CASE products from Cambridge as well as from field sales and support offices throughout the U.S. and Canada, subsidiaries in the U.K., France, Germany, Sweden, Denmark and Australia, and through third-party distributors, providing coverage in approximately 40 countries worldwide. The company's flagship product, Excelerator, has an installed base of more than 25,000 copies.

Index Technology Corporation
Third Quarter Financial Highlights

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
	(unaudited)		(unaudited)	
Revenues:				
Software	$ 7,285	$6,748	$25,157	$20,606
Maintenance and training	3,131	2,330	8,158	5,976
Technology license fee	-	-	1,500	-
	$10,416	9,078	34,815	26,582
Cost and expenses:				
Cost of products	1,076	735	3,900	2,111
Cost of maintenance and service	827	651	2,187	1,725
Selling, marketing and support services	6,272	4,486	18,203	12,581
Research and development	1,872	1,456	5,903	5,115
General and administrative	1,057	1,218	4,332	3,330
	11,104	8,546	34,525	24,862
Income (loss) from operations	(688)	532	290	1,720
Interest and other income (net)	229	413	729	1,080
Income (loss) before provision for income taxes	(459)	945	1,019	2,800
Provision for income taxes	46	319	563	951
Net income (loss)	(505)	626	456	1,849
Net income (loss) per share	$ (.11)	$ .13	$ .10	$ .40
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,505	4,645	4,721	4,601

Index Technology Corporation

Consolidated Balance Sheet

(In thousands)

	September 30 1990	September 30 1989
	(Unaudited)	
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$11,661	$17,460
Accounts receivable, net	11,630	9,097
Refundable income taxes	1,779	909
Other current assets	2,571	2,133
Total current assets	27,641	29,599
Property and equipment, net	6,338	5,523
Computer software costs, net	9,552	4,595
Other assets	869	623
	$44,400	$40,340
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		

Notes payable	$ 151	$ 260
Accounts payable	1,685	3,210
Accrued expenses	4,574	2,231
Income taxes payable	(2)	-
Deferred revenue	3,994	2,572
	10,402	8,273
Capital lease obligations	69	140
Deferred income taxes	1,688	551
Other long-term liabilities	119	394
	12,278	9,358
Stockholders' equity:		
Convertible preferred stock	2,501	2,501
Common stock	452	446
Capital in excess of par value	20,367	20,242
Retained earnings	8,858	7,939
Cumulative transaction adjustment	(56)	(146)
Total stockholders' equity	32,122	30,982
TOTAL	$44,400	$40,340

NOTE: Excelerator is a registered trademark of Index Technology Corporation.

IBM is a registered trademark of International Business Machines Corporation.

CONTACT: Doug Black or Tricia Blank, both of Miller Communications for Index Technology Corporation, 617-536-0470; or J. Jeffrey Bingenheimer of Index Technology Corporation, 617-494-8200

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CANTON, MA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Officials at Cumberland Farms announced today that the company will implement additional staffing and expense reductions. Key factors leading to this decision are the final consolidation of Cumberland's Gulf Oil Division personnel and offices from the Westboro to the company's Canton, Mass. complex - expected to be completed by Nov. 9, 1990 - as well as the continued closing of marginal Cumberland Farms stores.

"There is a general weakening of the retail economy nationwide and forecasts indicate this economic environment may continue into 1991. The soft domestic retail economy, coupled with the uncertainty caused by recent world events, make it prudent for all companies to seek efficiencies and reduce expenses," according to Foster Macrides, the company's vice president of human resources.

Staff reductions can be expected to affect each of Cumberland's businesses and will begin as early as this week. The total number of employees affected is yet to be determined, however, it is expected to be approximately 200

employees or two percent of Cumberland Farms total work force.

As in the past, the company will offer assistance packages, including outplacement programs, to affected employees. These employees will be receiving notification through normal management channels.

Cumberland Farms, Inc. based here, is one of the nation's largest privately-held corporations. In addition to its 1,100 store chain of convenience stores and retail gas outlets, the company, through its Gulf Oil Division, markets and distributes petroleum products to a dealer/jobber network of over 5,000 branded locations.

The company is also a major manufacturer and distributor of dairy and bakery products throughout the Northeastern States. Cumberland Farms employs more than 9,000 people.

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#90295p8043 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WATERBURY, CT (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - In announcing the results of the third quarter, Robert J. Narkis, chairman and chief executive officer of Centerbank (NASDAQ: CTBX) stated that "the Bank continues to be affected by the decline in the local real estate market and the recession that has gripped the entire region. It is prudent that we continue to deal immediately with problem loans as they are identified. Our strong capital position provides us with the resources to take appropriate action in a timely manner."

During the third quarter Centerbank made a $10 million provision for possible loan losses, charged off $2.8 million in other real estate owned, and adjusted its security portfolio by $1 million. These actions resulted in a loss of $13.7 million or $1.12 per share for the quarter. This compares to a loss of $7.9 million or 66 cents per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Centerbank's equity to assets ratio, a common barometer used to measure the strength of financial institutions, stood at 9.5 percent, still one of the highest ratios in the Northeast, and well above regulatory requirements. The bank ended the quarter with a book value of $13.85, based on shareholders equity of $169 million.

At quarter-end loan loss reserves amounted to $54 million, or 50 percent of nonperforming loans and leases of $108 million. Other real estate owned, net of liquidation reserves, stood at $68 million. Together these nonperforming assets represent 9.9 percent of total assets.

Established in 1850, Centerbank is the largest independent financial institution headquartered in western Connecticut. It operates from 19 branch

offices stretching along the I-84 corridor from Southington to Danbury.

CENTERBANK AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND EXPENSES (UNAUDITED)
(Dollars in Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Interest Income:				
Interest on loans & leases:				
Residential first mortgage loans	$18,390	$23,084	$56,751	$73,005
Home equity and other consumer loans	8,386	7,963	24,384	22,374
Commercial first mortgage loans	6,445	9,650	19,670	29,819
Other commercial loans and leases	4,502	4,314	13,903	9,670
Total interest on loans and leases	37,723	45,011	114,708	134,868
Interest on investment securities	3,362	2,515	8,762	10,463
Dividend income	833	1,434	2,770	4,307
Total interest income	41,918	48,960	126,240	149,638
Interest Expense:				
Interest on deposits	20,655	22,656	61,031	72,359
Interest on short-term borrowings	2,646	7,010	9,767	26,569
Interest on long-term borrowings	7,623	6,282	22,134	9,937
Total interest expense	30,924	35,948	92,932	108,865
Net interest income	10,994	13,012	33,308	40,773
Provision for loan losses	10,000	10,674	30,440	11,844
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	994	2,338	2,868	28,929
Noninterest Income:				
Gain (loss) on sale and write-down of investment securites, net	(950)	907	(6,956)	(28)
Gain (loss) on sale of loans and servicing rights, net	269	427	1,694	4,955
Real estate brokerage commissions, net	2,213	2,738	7,891	9,358
Other operating income	2,305	1,423	6,300	5,209
Total non-interest income	3,837	5,495	8,929	19,494
Non-interest expenses:				
Salaries and employee benefits	7,499	6,038	21,913	20,659
Occupancy and equipment	3,382	3,509	9,561	9,844

Advertising and public relations	768	851	2,418	3,029
Other operating expenses	3,658	3,979	10,122	11,037
Other non-operating expenses	3,226	---	11,122	---
Total non-interest expenses	18,533	14,377	55,136	44,569
Income (loss) before income taxes	(13,702)	(6,544)	(43,339)	3,854
Income taxes (benefit)	---	1,387	(10,012)	5,508
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(13,702)	$(7,931)	$(33,327)	$(1,654)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE:				
Primary & fully diluted	$(1.12)	(66 cents)	$(2.73)	(14 cents)
Average shares outstanding	12,199,975	12,179,758	12,194,107	12,177,737

CENTERBANK AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

($ in thousands)

	9/30/90	12/31/89	9/30/89
ASSETS:			
Cash and due from banks	$11,719	$19,796	$11,115
Investment securities:			
U.S. government & agencies (Market value: $141,097, $85,610 and $87,187)	146,400	89,390	92,259
Other debt obligations (Market value: $9,882, $588 and $579)	9,903	620	620
Equity securities, at market value	43,472	59,249	61,674
Total investment securities	199,775	149,259	154,553
Loans and leases:			
Residential first mortgage loans	741,189	845,838	927,066
Consumer home equity loans	252,682	233,941	220,237
Other consumer loans	50,242	48,593	51,267
Commercial first mortgage loans:			
Permanent	214,698	281,514	289,533
Construction	42,677	78,117	82,073
Other commercial loans & leases	141,800	136,280	141,220
Less allowance for loan losses	(54,245)	(43,326)	(16,593)
Total loans and leases	1,389,043	1,580,957	1,694,803
Real estate owned, net	68,419	7,179	8,091
Real estate held for investment	13,568	14,967	8,327

Premises and equipment	17,790	19,958	29,445
Other assets	76,020	65,577	61,241
Total assets	$1,776,334	$1,857,693	$1,967,575
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY LIABILITIES			
Deposits:			
Demand	$56,858	$44,910	$42,019
Savings	172,758	178,512	180,678
Money Market	127,109	138,102	135,741
Time	754,955	736,747	782,953
Total deposits	1,111,680	1,098,271	1,141,391
Short-term borrowings	134,908	196,176	215,134
Long-term borrowings	318,706	324,292	331,850
Other liabilities	42,061	40,001	46,082
Total liabilities	1,607,355	1,658,740	1,734,457
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Preferred stock - voting; no par value: 1,000,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding	--	--	--
Preferred stock - non-voting; no par value: 10,000,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding	--	--	--
Common stock; $1 par value: 75,000,000 shares authorized; 12,203,866; 12,185,804; and 12,180,921 issued and outstanding	12,203	12,186	12,181
Paid-in capital	135,236	135,170	135,141
Retained earnings	24,647	57,974	90,532
Unrealized loss on equity securities	(3,107)	(6,377)	(4,736)
Total shareholders' equity	168,979	198,953	233,118
Total liabilities & shareholders' equity	$1,776,334	$1,857,693	$1,967,575

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS, UNAUDITED

($ in thousands)

SUMMARY OF NON-PERFORMING ASSETS:

	At Sept. 30		At June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Past due 3 months or more, & still-accruing loans	---	$8,413	$ 54	$10,586
Non-accruing loans & leases:				
Residential first mortgage loans	19,591	---	16,833	---
Home equity and other consumer loans	2,137	---	1,762	---

Commercial first mortgage loans:				
Permanent	39,081	14,303	47,877	9,045
Construction	16,261	21,169	10,201	21,000
Other commercial loans and leases	23,297	7,763	4,422	4,080
Restructured Loans-(a):				
Commercial First Mortgage Loans:				
Permanent	6,787	---	6,569	---
Construction	830	---	711	---
Total non-performing loans and leases	107,984	51,648	88,429	44,711
Real Estate Owned (REO):				
By foreclosure	20,213	8,091	10,782	11,367
In substance foreclosure	52,935	---	39,311	---
Total real estate owned	73,148	8,091	50,093	11,367
Total non-performing assets	$181,132	$59,739	$138,522	$56,078
Net charge-offs during the quarter	2,919	90	7,660	178
Allowance for loan losses	54,245	16,593	47,163	6,009
Allowance for real estate owned	4,729	---	5,000	---
Net charge-offs to avg. loans and leases	1.31%	.02%	1.10%	.02%
Allowance for loan losses to avg. loans and leases	3.63%	.96%	3.12%	.35%
Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans and leases	50.23%	32.13%	53.33%	13.44%
Allowances for loan and REO losses to non-performing assets	32.56%	27.78%	37.66%	10.72%
Non-performing assets to related asset categories	11.94%	3.47%	8.95%	3.32%

NOTE (a): Interest income recognized on a cash basis.

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (unaudited)

($ in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
INCOME STATEMENT DATA:				
Interest income	$41,918	$48,960	$126,240	$149,638
Interest expense	30,924	35,948	92,932	108,865
Net interest income	10,994	13,012	33,308	40,773
Provision for loan losses	10,000	10,674	30,440	11,844
Non-interest income	3,837	5,495	8,929	19,494

Non-interest expenses	15,307	14,377	44,014	44,569
Non-operating expenses	3,226	---	11,122	---
Income (loss) before income taxes	(13,702)	(6,544)	(43,339)	3,854
Income taxes (benefit)	---	1,387	(10,012)	5,508
Net Income (loss)	$(13,702)	$(7,931)	$(33,327)	$(1,654)
Net income (loss) per common share:				
Primary and fully diluted	$(1.12)	(66 cents)	$(2.73)	(14 cents)
Average Balance Sheet Data:				
Loans and leases	$1,457,075	$1,718,635	$1,492,736	$1,725,322
Investment securities	199,084	184,007	189,318	235,832
Total average earning assets	1,656,159	1,902,642	1,682,054	1,961,154
Cash and due from banks	17,744	34,759	16,956	34,684
Other non-earning assets	124,821	98,606	111,242	80,002
Total avg. assets	$1,798,724	$2,036,007	$1,810,252	$2,075,840
Deposits	$1,117,352	$1,166,792	$1,106,828	$1,259,597
Advances from the Fed. Home Loan Bank	342,698	389,202	368,067	375,190
Other borrowings	120,457	172,532	117,658	151,236
Other liabilities	36,838	66,762	25,987	48,912
Shareholders' equity	181,379	240,719	191,712	240,905
Total average liabilities & shareholders' equity	$1,798,724	$2,036,007	$1,810,252	$2,075,840
Selected Ratios:				
Return on average assets	(3.05)%	(1.56)%	(2.45)%	(.11)%
Return on average equity	(30.22)%	(13.18)%	(23.18)%	(.92)%
Average shareholders' equity to average assets	10.08%	11.82%	10.59%	11.61%
Total shareholders' equity to total assets	9.51%	11.85%		
Tangible primary capital ratio	11.96%	12.06%		
Yield on interest-earning assets (FTE)	10.15%	10.28%	10.04%	10.23%
Cost of interest-bearing liabilities	8.06%	8.51%	8.07%	8.39%
Net interest spread (FTE)	2.09%	1.77%	1.97%	1.84%
Net interest margin	2.66%	2.74%	2.64%	2.77%
Per common share at 9/30:				
Book value	$13.85	$19.14		
Market price (close)	$2.88	$9.63		

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203-426-7115 (home)

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#90295p8048 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
EDMONTON, ALBERTA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Numac Oil & Gas Ltd. (Toronto: NMC) today announced Numac's intention to purchase the outstanding common shares of Giant Reef Petroleums Ltd. which it does not currently own for a cash consideration of $4.65 per share.

The offer will be conditional upon, amongst other things, Numac acquiring 90 percent of the outstanding common shares of Giant Reef that it does not already own.

Numac currently owns approximately 70 percent of Giant Reef's outstanding common shares. If Numac is successful in acquiring 90 percent of the outstanding common shares of Giant Reef that it does not already own, it is Numac's intention to initiate the legal proceedings necessary to acquire the remaining shares and amalgamate Giant Reef with Numac.

The board of directors of Giant Reef has advised Numac that based upon its review of the final terms of the offer, an independent valuation of the common shares of Giant Reef prepared by RBC Dominion Securities Inc. and a fairness opinion provided by RBC Dominion Securities Inc., it intends to recommend acceptance of the offer.

A formal offer will be mailed to Giant Reef's minority shareholders on or before Oct. 26, 1990.

CONTACT: Dale J. Hohm of Numac Oil & Gas Ltd., (403) 423-1718.

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#90295p8049 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire
RICHARDSON, TX (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - St. Dominic's Hospital and Rubicon Corp. (NASDAQ: RBCN) has announced the successful "go-live" of St. Dominic's Hospital on the Rubicon intRlab(R) Laboratory Information System at the newly constructed $30 million acute care facility in Manteca, Calif.

St. Dominic's Hospital, which is affiliated with St. Joseph's Medical Center of Stockton through the St. Joseph's HealthCare Corp., now processes the majority of its own laboratory tests.

Information is transmitted between St. Joseph's Medical Center and St. Dominic's Hospital via the Rubicon intRlab(R) Laboratory Information System expanding the volume and complexity of testing capabilities. The hub site for information processing is located at St. Joseph's Medical Center in Stockton, Calif.

Teresa Bryant, department manager, Clinical Laboratories, said, "because of the Rubicon system we already had in place, we were able to bring on-line all of the bells and whistles of the main Rubicon system for St. Dominic's Hospital - and it works! The Rubicon system allows for the ease of addition of multiple sites." The installation at St. Dominic's was completed on schedule in under 60 days.

Rubicon is a 15 year old, Richardson, Texas based developer of computerized laboratory information management systems for independent laboratories, hospitals and health maintenance organizations.

CONTACT: Marilyn Wallen of Rubicon Corp., (214) 231-6591; or Teresa Bryant of St. Joseph's Medical Center, (209) 467-6330.

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ST. CLOUD, FL (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - F.F.O. Financial Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: FFFG), a Florida-based unitary savings and loan holding company, today reported a net loss of $3.8 million (or $1.76 per share) for the three months ended September 30, 1990, and a net loss of $3.1 million (or $1.41 per share) for the nine months ended September 30, 1990. Such losses reflect the effects of a $5.7 million provision for possible loan losses established during the third quarter, and a decline in interest revenues resulting from an increase in nonperforming loans. The company reported net income of $290,000 (or $0.13 per share) for the three months ended September 30, 1989, and net income of $1.6 million (or $0.69 per share) for the nine months ended September 30, 1990.

Total stockholders' equity as of September 30, 1990 was $23.0 million (or $10.53 per share). Total assets declined during the third quarter to $426.1 million at September 30, 1990, as compared to $438.3 million at June 30, 1990 and $455.4 million at December 31, 1989.

The company also announced its decision to infuse an additional $750,000 of existing funds into its wholly owned subsidiary, First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Osceola County, in order to increase First Federal's regulatory capital. Following this additional capital injection, the tangible and risk-based capital ratios for First Federal will be 5.43 percent and 7.30 percent, both of which will exceed the increased regulatory capital requirements scheduled to go into effect on December 31, 1990. First Federal is currently in compliance with all existing applicable regulatory capital levels.

The company's third quarter results reflect the impact of a $5.7 million loan loss provision recorded in the third quarter. This provision brings the total allowance for loan losses to $6.4 million at September 30, 1990. The increase in the company's loan loss reserve resulted from an increase in the company's classified assets which at September 30, 1990 amounted to $40.6 million

compared to $25.8 million at December 31, 1989, and a change in the company's loan loss reserve policy.

Increases in classified assets reflect the difficulties being encountered by the company's borrowers during this economic slowdown. In response to this circumstance, the company adopted a new loan loss reserve policy during the third quarter which provides that reserves must be maintained in the aggregate amount of 10 percent of all loans classified substandard, 50 percent of all loans classified doubtful and 100 percent of all loans classified as loss. In addition, for loans that are not classified, reserves totalling 1.5 percent of the principal balance of the consumer loan portfolio and .5 percent of the principal balance of all other loans (excluding single-family residential loans) must be maintained.

CONTACT: Ryan Tennyson, chief financial officer of F.F.O. Financial Group, Inc., 407-892-1200, ext. 4404

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#90295p8054 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Forstmann & Company, Inc. has extended until 5 p.m., New York City time, on Tuesday, Oct. 23, 1990, the expiration date, withdrawal rights and proration period relating to its exchange offer for up to $60 million aggregate principal amount of the $100 million outstanding of its 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999, for an equal amount of its new split coupon (accrued interest) senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999.

As of today, approximately $145,000 in outstanding principal amount of 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes had been tendered for exchange and not withdrawn.

CONTACT: Maureen Burgess of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Forstmann & Company

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#90295p8060 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Rayonier Forest Resources Company (RFR), the managing general partner of Rayonier Timberlands, L.P. (NYSE: LOG), announced preliminary third quarter results today.

Sales for the quarter were $19.3 million compared with 1989 third quarter sales of $18.9 million. Partnership income in the quarter was $13.6 million compared with earnings of $13.1 million in 1989.

Cash flow available from operations for publicly traded Class A unitholders for the third quarter was 81 cents per Class A Unit, comparing favorably to 76

cents per Class A Unit generated in the third quarter of 1989. Income per Class A Unit for the quarter was 77 cents compared to 71 cents in the prior year.

Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $79.0 million as compared to $81.0 million in the previous period. The decline in sales was caused by lower harvest volume in the Northwest which was partially offset by significantly higher prices in both the Northwest and Southeast regions.

Partnership income of $60.1 million decreased $1.8 million from $61.9 million earned last year although income per publicly traded Class A unit rose $0.05 per unit to $3.25.

Commissions paid to an affiliate of the managing general partner, which increased year over year, are not allocated to the public Class A unitholders and do not reduce the income per unit, or cash available per unit.

For the first nine months of 1990, cash available from operations for Class A unitholders was $3.46 per Class A Unit, compared with $3.40 per Class A Unit for the comparable 1989 period.

Third quarter harvest activity was unusually low compared with seasonal patterns of past years. Northwest stumpage volume was nine percent below last year's third quarter as customers delayed harvesting of export-directed timber due to high log and lumber inventories in the Far East.

The Southeast third quarter pine harvest was also below prior year by 43 percent, as abnormally dry weather in that region allowed an excess of competitive timber to be harvested.

Average prices on contracts harvested during the third quarter improved significantly over the prior year period and partially offset lower volumes. Prices for Northwest stumpage increased 33 percent while those for Southeast pine were up seven percent.

CONTACT: Martin Arnold for Rayonier Timberlands, L.P., (203) 964-4621.

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#90295p8064 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE, MD. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Constellation Holdings Inc. and Hadson Corp. (NYSE: HAD) announced today that Panther Creek Partners has selected UC Operating Services (UCOS) to provide the operation and maintenance for an 80 megawatt cogeneration plant currently being constructed near Nesquehoning, Pennsylvania. The facility, which will burn processed waste coal in a circulating fluid bed boiler, brings UCOS' total of signed O&M agreements to 15-with 10 of these facilities in operation.

UCOS is a joint venture between Constellation Holdings Inc. and the Hadson Corp. subsidiary, Hadson Power Systems Inc.

Constellation Holdings, Inc., is a Maryland-based diversified business group and a wholly owned subsidiary of Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE). Through its subsidiaries, Constellation is involved in four main areas of business: 1) the development, ownership and operation of power generation systems; 2) real estate development and ownership; 3) financial investments, and 4) senior living projects.

Hadson Corp. is a leading independent producer and supplier of energy products as well as a leading electric power services firm. Hadson has operations in natural gas and gas liquids; domestic and international oil and gas exploration and production; and is a leader in the development, construction, operation and ownership of electric power generation facilities.

CONTACT: David F. Luck of UC Operating Services, 916-823-0261

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#90295p8071 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAKEFIELD, MA (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlantic Restaurant Ventures Inc. (the "company") reported a net loss of $840,000 or 22 cents per share on revenues of $7 million for the six months ended July 1, 1990 compared to a net loss of $127,564 or 4 cents per share on revenues of $7.5 million for the six month period ended June 30, 1989.

The decrease in consolidated revenues for the 1990 period was the result of the disposition in May of two Fuddruckers Restaurants and the company's subsidiaries which own and operate restaurants known as Little Tavern Shops. The loss for the 1990 period is principally due to the company's abandonment and sale of certain assets and restaurant development expenditures.

The company operates six franchised Fuddruckers restaurants in Virginia and Maryland. The company's stock is listed on the OTC Pink Sheets.

CONTACT: William H. Baumhauer of Atlantic Restaurant Ventures, 617-245-2233

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The France Growth Fund, Inc. (NYSE: FRF) announced results today for the fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, its first full quarter of operations.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the fund reported a realized and unrealized net loss of U.S. $9.7 million, or U.S. 84 cents per share, on net

investment income of U.S. $1.9 million, or U.S. 17 cents per share. For the period May 18, 1990 (commencement of operations) to Sept. 30, 1990, the fund had a realized and unrealized net loss of U.S. $11.2 million, or U.S. 97 cents per share, on net investment income of U.S. $3.5 million, or U.S. 30 cents per share.

The fund's performance during the quarter ended Sept. 30 was affected by adverse market conditions caused by the current Middle East crisis, which resulted in the depreciation of certain investments. Net assets value of the France Growth Fund declined from $11.08 per share on June 30, to $10.41 on Sept. 30, 1990, representing a decrease of 6.05 percent. During the same period the Paris Bourse Index (SBF) fell 21.46 percent measured in U.S. dollars.

Pierre Daviron, chairman of the France Growth Fund and of its investment adviser, Indosuez International Investment Services, said the conversion of 80 percent of the fund's assets to French francs benefited the quarter's performance as the dollar fell 2.9 percent against the French franc during the period. In addition, Daviron noted that the fund's outperformance of the Paris Bourse Index (SBF) during the quarter reflected the fund's strategy of limited and gradual investment in the French equity market in response to the uncertainties created by the Middle East situation: at Sept. 30, 1990, net assets totaled U.S. $119.8 million, of which 39.1 percent was invested in French equities, 6.3 percent in French bonds, 25.9 percent in French franc short-term instruments and 17.6 percent U.S. dollar short-term instruments. Other assets in excess of liabilities accounted for the remaining 11.1 percent.

Daviron cited the fund's performance as "substantial" within the context of the French economy, which slowed to a 2.8 percent annual growth rate during the period; saw a downward revision of forecasts for 1990 corporate earnings growth from 15 percent to 7 percent; and suffered a rise in long-term interest rates from 9.7 percent in July to 10.6 percent in September. "To meet the challenge of the current economic environment the fund will focus on companies with low debt, undisputed leadership positions and high visibility," noted Daviron. He also expected that the France Growth Fund's portfolio would continue to favor growth stocks in the equipment and services sector and remain underweighted in cyclical and financial services stocks.

The fund also announced that the board of directors, at its regular quarterly meeting today, authorized a share repurchase program under which the fund may purchase in the open market up to an aggregate of 10 percent of the 11,509,000 currently outstanding shares of the fund's common stock, from time to time, as may be deemed appropriate by the fund's officers and a special committee of the board.

The France Growth Fund, Inc. is a diversified, closed-end management investment company whose objective is long-term capital appreciation through investment primarily in French equity securities.

CONTACT: Frederick J. Schmidt, treasurer of the France Growth Fund, 212-408-5671, or Edmund R. Belak, Jr. of Burson-Marsteller, 212-614-4612, for the France Growth Fund

-30- 3761

#90295p8075 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - National Intergroup, Inc. (NYSE: NII) announced today that it is extending its tender offer for all outstanding Cumulative Convertible Preference Units representing limited partnership interests of Permian Partners, L.P., at $3.5625 per preference unit plus one non-transferable contingent value right per preference unit.

The offer and withdrawal rights, previously scheduled to expire at 5 p.m. (New York City time) on Oct. 22, 1990, are now scheduled to expire at 5 p.m. (New York City time) on Oct. 26, 1990, subject to NII's right to extend the offer further.

As of the close of business on Oct. 22, 1990, approximately 9,919,185 preference units, including 2,067,313 preference units tendered pursuant to notices of guaranteed delivery, had been tendered and not withdrawn pursuant to the offer.

The offer is conditioned upon, among other things, there being validly tendered and not withdrawn prior to the expiration of the offer, at least 7,875,001 of the publicly held preference units, representing a majority of the publicly held preference units.

The offer is also conditioned upon, among other things, the adoption of an amendment to Permian's Partnership Agreement. The adoption of the amendment requires receipt of executed and unrevoked consents from the holders of record on July 30, 1990 of 7,889,584 preference and common units.

NII stated that as of the close of business on Oct. 22, 1990, Permian had received approximately 7,457,438 consents to adopt the amendment. Pursuant to the terms of the consent solicitation, all consents are scheduled to expire on Nov. 6, 1990. Therefore, as previously announced, if the amendment is not adopted by Nov. 6, 1990, NII intends to call off the tender offer.

CONTACT: Judith A. Hale of National Intergroup, (412) 394-4305.

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#90295p8078 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

GERMANTOWN, Md. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Hughes Network Systems Inc. (HNS) today announced a limited partnership agreement with McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. of Kirkland, Wa., to construct and operate a nationwide,

digital air-to-ground telephone and data transmission service for use aboard commercial aircraft. The venture will operate under the name Clairtel(sm).

Through the use of digital technology, Clairtel will offer commercial airline passengers not only higher voice-quality telephone service -- which includes both placing and receiving calls -- but also facsimile and computer transmission capabilities, as well as video. Patrons will be able to send and receive calls, pages, faxes, and computer data transmissions while in flight. The technology represents a quantum leap in airlines' ability to provide passengers with many of the comforts and conveniences of their homes or offices during flight.

The companies have reached agreement with Alaska Airlines and Northwest Airlines as the initial carriers to provide the service. Negotiations are under way with several other major airlines.

HNS, the world leader in digital communications technologies, is a subsidiary of Hughes Aircraft Co., a unit of GM Hughes Electronics.

CONTACT: Judy Blake of Hughes Network Systems, 301-428-7113

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#90295p8083 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - L&N Housing Corp. (NYSE: LHC) announced today operating results for the third quarter of Fiscal 1990. Operations for the quarter ended September 30, 1990, resulted in net income of $574,000, or 26 cents per share, as compared to net income of $899,000, or 41 cents per share, for the same period last year. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $725,000, or 33 cents per share, as compared to $2,654,000, or $1.21 per share, for the same period in Fiscal 1989.

The company has qualified as a real estate investment trust by distributing 100 percent of its taxable income in the form of dividends to its stockholders. On Sept. 28, 1990, a dividend of 26 cents per share was distributed by the company to its stockholders. During the quarter ended September 30, 1990, the company placed one of its participations on nonaccrual. If this asset had been on nonaccrual for the entire quarter, the dividend would have been approximately 20 cents.

CONTACT: Carey Wickland, 214-746-7230; or Gary White, 214-746-7180, both of L&N Housing Corp.

-30- 1273

#90295p8085 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW CASTLE, PA. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - John W. Sant, chairman and chief executive officer of First Western Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: FWBI), today

announced that special stockholder meetings for both First Western and First Federal have been scheduled for Nov. 20 for the purpose of approving the acquisition by First Western of all of First Federal's common stock outstanding.

As further described in definitive proxy materials mailed to both groups of stockholders on Oct. 22, 1990, as part of a joint proxy statement/prospectus, First Western is offering to acquire all of the outstanding shares of First Federal in exchange for total consideration of approximately 60 percent in First Western common stock and 40 percent in cash. Holders of outstanding shares of First Federal common stock will be entitled to make an election pursuant to which, at the closing of the merger, such shares will automatically convert to the right to receive all cash at $19.00 per share of First Federal common stock, or 0.7600 shares of First Western common stock per share of First Federal common stock, or a combination thereof.

First Western has received both Federal Reserve Board and Office of Thrift Supervision approval to acquire First Federal. Certain other approvals must be received and other conditions must be satisfied prior to closing, which, if stockholder approvals are obtained, should occur at or prior to Dec. 31, 1990.

First Western Bancorp Inc., headquartered in New Castle, Pa., is the parent of First National Bank of Western Pennsylvania and Beaver Trust Co., with 18 offices in Lawrence, Beaver, Butler and Allegheny counties, with total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, of $582,826,000.

First Federal of Western Pennsylvania, headquartered in Sharon, Pa., has seven offices in Mercer, Butler and Venango counties in western Pennsylvania and three offices in Ashtabula County, Ohio. At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $342,052,000.

CONTACT: Robert H. Young, vice president of finance, secretary and treasurer of First Western Bancorp Inc., 412-652-8550

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#90295p8088 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Marvel Productions has entered into an exclusive agreement with Twentieth Century Fox to develop and produce original animated theatrical shorts that will be featured at the beginning of motion pictures, it was jointly announced by Joe Taritero, president and chief executive officer of Marvel Production, and Joe Roth, chairman of Twentieth Century Fox.

The initial productions of "Fox Toons," should be ready for Fox '91 summer releases.

Roth noted, "We're very excited about the possibilities of this project. Our

goal is for 'Fox Toons' to become cartoon classics of the '90's."

Taritero stated, "We will be developing completely original characters with the option of tailoring storylines in conjunction with specific releases if Fox so elects. Most importantly, we feel we are giving the creative talent in this industry the opportunity to develop brand-new characters that have the potential of becoming animated superstars for the next generation."

Marvel is currently in the process of staffing the creative team for the "Fox Toons" project.

Twentieth Century Fox is primarily engaged in the financing, development, production, distribution and marketing of motion pictures throughout the world and is a unit of Fox Inc.

CONTACT: Terry Clifford of Twentieth Century Fox, 213-203-2497, or Justin Pierce of Marvel Productions, 213-444-8390

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#90295p8091 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - John J. Pembroke, chairman and president of AFN Inc., dba American Financial Network, announced sales and earnings for the second quarter ending Sept. 31, 1990. Revenue for the quarter was $1,215,752. Net income was $274,704 up from a year earlier, same quarter, of $108,962, an increase of over 150 percent.

The company's performance for the quarter was particularly positive in light of the severe down-turn in the nation's mortgage and housing markets and the loss of the company's largest single client. Due to these circumstances, the company established an additional reserve of $125,000 in this quarter. Without this reserve, the company's earnings would have been close to $400,000.

Recently, HUD announced a favorable position on computerized loan origination networks (CLO). In that announcement, HUD stated that real estate brokers could receive fees for offering a CLO service to homebuyers as long as the CLO offered the homebuyer a choice of mortgage lenders. AFN has campaigned hard for this recognition and, today, AFN represents the only national CLO meeting these HUD guidelines.

The company continues to expand the number of origination sites. New First Realty Financial Service Centers have opened in Los Angeles and Dallas. The total number of lenders on the Network has also increased to over 125. Over 2000 mortgage products are currently displayed on the Network.

Quarter ended September 30:	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,215,752	$1,696,059
Operating Expenses	939,736	1,585,846
Operating Income (loss)	276,016	110,213
Interest Expense		

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(loss) 274,704 108,962 Earnings per share
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AFN Inc. is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol AMFN. The company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, is available by written request to the Corporate Office at AFN Inc., 12001 N. Central Expressway, Suite 1000, Dallas, TX 75243, Attention: David McCormick Chief Financial Officer.

CONTACT: Perry West of AFN Inc., 214-233-6800

-30- 2486

#90295p8093 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Pathe Communications Corp. (NYSE: PCC) and MGM/UA Communications Co. (NYSE: MGM) announced today that Pathe has delivered checks totaling $967 million to an escrow account established in connection with Pathe's acquisition of MGM/UA.

Pathe previously delivered over $353 million to the escrow account, approximately $250 million of which has already been distributed to MGM/UA stockholders. The additional $967 million in checks, when paid, together with approximately $100 million held in the escrow account, will comprise the remaining funds necessary to complete the merger.

Pathe indicated that almost $600 million of the total merger price in excess of $1.3 billion is represented by new Pathe equity financing, while the bulk of the remainder will come from the anticipated sale of Pathe assets to MGM/UA.

MGM/UA'S board of directors has scheduled a meeting tomorrow regarding the asset purchase from Pathe, and a solvency opinion to be delivered by Houlihan, Lokey, Howard & Zukin. Houlihan, Lokey has advised Pathe that it plans to render a favorable opinion as to Pathe's and MGM/UA's solvency.

Pathe indicated that, subject to MGM/UA's board's approval, it anticipates closing of the merger by this Friday.

CONTACT: Craig A. Parsons of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Pathe Communications Corp.

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#90295p8097 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - National Convenience Stores Inc. (NYSE: NCS) announced sales for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 of $292,203,000, up 1.8 percent from $287,078,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Net earnings from operations for the quarter ended September 30 were $1,050,000, or 1 cent per share, down from $3,972,000, or 18 cents per share, in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. (NCS also reported an after-tax capital gain on an asset sale during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, of $3,422,000, or 15 cents per share, which boosted total earnings for last year's first fiscal quarter to $7,394,000, or 33 cents per share.)

"The current quarter for NCS reflects strong results in the gasoline business which were somewhat offset by a combination of flat merchandise sales and certain operating expense increases that we believe are only temporary in nature," said V.H. Van Horn, president and chief executive officer.

"Looking ahead, I continue to be encouraged by the sales results of our re-merchandising and re-imaging efforts at Stop N Go. The response of customers and initial sales reports from our test stores are very heartening. We are looking forward to the rollout of this innovative mix of merchandise to redefine retail convenience and to stimulate the sales and profitability of NCS," said Van Horn.

National Convenience Stores Inc. operates 1,083 Stop N Go specialty retail stores in four Sunbelt states.

First Quarter Results Following are the unaudited operating results for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared with the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

CONTACT: J.C. Brewster of National Convenience Stores Inc., 713-863-2200

-30- 1895

#90295p8098 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - San Diego Gas & Electric (NYSE: SDO) (SDG&E) unaudited earnings per common share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were 93 cents, compared with 91 cents for the same period last year, Thomas A. Page, SDG&E chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer, reported today.

The two-cent increase in earnings for the third quarter was primarily because of the utilities cost reduction programs. Earnings applicable to common shares increased 2.6 percent to $52 million, compared with $50.7 million for the same quarter last year.

Consolidated operating revenues and expenses for all prior periods have been restated to exclude the operations of Mock Resources Inc., which was sold during the second quarter. For the quarter, consolidated revenues were up 6.7 percent to $452.1 million, compared with $423.9 million in 1989. Consolidated operating expenses were up 7.8 percent to $373.4 million, compared with $346.3

million.

For the 12 months ending Sept. 30, 1990, earnings per share were up 20.5 percent to $3.64, compared with $3.02 for the same period in 1989. This increase was primarily because of the impact of the Public Utilities Commission disallowance related to the Southwest Powerlink in 1989 and the public offering of 20 percent of Wahlco Environmental Systems Inc. (NYSE: WAL) previously a wholly owned subsidiary, in the second quarter of 1990.

CONTACT: John Pruyn of San Diego Gas & Electric, 619-696-4310

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#90295p8101 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - ACA JOE Inc. announced today that it has dismissed Mark Shulman as President and Chief Executive Officer of ACA JOE Inc. and its subsidiaries, and as a director of its subsidiaries. Shulman's duties will be assumed by the Company's Executive and Management Committees until a replacement is found.

ACA JOE is a specialty retailer and franchisor headquartered in San Francisco with stores around the country.

CONTACT: Val Hornstein or Debbie Rodine, both of ACA JOE Inc., 415-546-0558

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#90295p8106 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, Alberta (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Encor Inc. today announced its financial and operating results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Funds generated from operations were up 10 percent to $69.6 million or 30 cents per share on a fully diluted basis. This represents an improvement of $6.3 million over the corresponding pro forma period in 1989. A decline in revenues was more than offset by lower finance charges and reduced production expenses. The net loss applicable to common shares for the nine months amounted to $52.8 million or 35 cents per share compared to a net loss of $41.6 million or 28 cents per share for the same period in 1989. The 1989 results include the after-tax impact of properties sold during 1989 with a gain on sale and income associated with these properties of $39.7 million. Excluding this amount and $3.1 million of after-tax gains on 1990 properties sales included in the 1990 losses, the 1990 results show an improvement of $25.4 million or 31 percent.

Income from operations for the nine months of $10.6 million represents an improvement of $25.1 million over the same 1989 period, with lower expenses of $34.9 million being partly offset by reduced revenues of $9.8 million. Net revenues at $226.9 million included price improvements of $28.8 million as the company benefited from the rapid escalation in world oil prices in the third

quarter. This was more than offset by lower volumes which reduced revenues by $15.6 million, higher crude oil price hedging costs of $6.5 million and $15.0 million, of revenue associated with the 1989 dispositions. The 14 percent decline in expenses was largely attributable to the inclusion in 1989 of higher international dry hole and abandonment costs which included write-offs of certain assets which had been recognized as pre-production costs in prior years. Other factors contributing to the reduction in expenses include lower production and depletion costs resulting from reduced volumes in 1990 and lower amortization of undeveloped rights. Finance charges were 17 percent lower in the first nine months of 1990 reflecting the reduction in long-term debt that occurred in 1989.

Capital expenditures and exploration expenses for the nine months were $79.1 million. In western Canada spending totalled $53.3 million, an increase of $11.1 million with land acquisitions accounting for the major portion of the increase. The lands have been acquired to strengthen existing landholdings in strategic exploration areas.

At the end of Sept. 26 exploratory and 157 development wells had been completed in western Canada, with success rates of 50 percent and 92 per cent, respectively. This drilling activity compares with 19 exploratory wells and 188 development wells in the first nine months of 1989. International wells drilled during this period totalled 68, up from 36 in the first nine months of 1989.

CONTACT: Randall J. Findlay, v.p. corporate development, Encor Inc., 403-231-6000

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#90295p8108 10/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARKHAM, Ont. (OCT. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Magna International Inc. (TSE: MG.A, MG.B; NASDAQ: MAGAF) today announced its audited results for the year ended July 31, 1990.

Sales for the year of $1.927 billion compared favorably with 1989 sales of $1.923 billion. Sales for the fourth quarter were $518.2 million, an increase of 9.9 percent from the comparable period of the prior year. A profit of $3 million from operations before tax and special provisions was earned during the quarter compared to losses of $2 million and $35 million, respectively, in the third quarter and second quarter.

This improvement in earnings is in part a result of the company's restructuring activities commenced earlier in the year which were previously announced. These restructuring activities eliminated operations which had annualized operating losses of approximately $50 million.

Total loss for the year of $224 million includes a restructuring provision of

$169 million relating to the previously announced writedown of certain operations of $153 million in the second quarter and a provision for costs relating to the restructuring process.

CONTACT: Steve Akerfeldt, vice-chairman and chief financial officer of Magna International, 416-477-7766

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MOSCOW (OCT. 22) TASS -

THE PROGRAMME FOR CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND LUXEMBOURG IN 1991 AND 1992, SIGNED IN THE KREMLIN TODAY, AIMS TO DEVELOP FAVOURABLE TENDENCIES IN THESE FIELDS AND ENVISAGES THE EXPANSION OF CULTURAL EXCHANGES.

THE PROGRAMME ENVISAGES, FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE DEVELOPMENT OF DIRECT CONTACTS BETWEEN LUXEMBURG AND INDIVIDUAL SOVIET REPUBLICS.

SOVIET CULTURE MINISTER NIKOLAI GUBENKO TOLD TASS THAT LUXEMBURG IS "ONE OF THE WORLD'S CULTURAL CROSSROADS AND ONE OF THE COMMON MARKET CAPITALS THAT IS ENMESHED IN THE SPIRITUAL AND MORAL FIBRES OF EUROPEAN CULTURE".

THE MINISTER RECALLED THAT DURING HIS VISIT TO STRASBOURG, SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV SUGGESTED CREATING A EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY OF CULTURE, WITH LUXEMBURG AS THE CENTRE.

"THE PROGRAMME SIGNED TODAY," GUBENKO SAID, "IS AIMED AT IMPLEMENTING THIS INITIATIVE. THE DECISION TO ESTABLISH SUCH A UNIVERSITY HAS NOT YET BEEN MADE, BUT I KNOW THAT THE LUXEMBURG SIDE IS EAGER".

THE MINISTER STRESSED THAT THE PROGRAMME CONTAINS SOME GENERAL PROVISIONS ALONG WITH VERY SPECIFIC ONES, RELATING TO THE EXCHANGE OF STUDENTS, RESEARCH FELLOWS AND ARTISTS.

THE CEREMONIAL SIGNING OF THE PROGRAMME WAS ATTENDED BY SOVIET PRIME MINISTER NIKOLAI RYZHKOV AND VISITING PRIME MINISTER JACQUES SANTER OF THE GRAND DUCHY OF LUXEMBURG .

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MOSCOW (OCT 22) TASS - THE SOVIET UNION HAS FEW PARTNERS LIKE INDIA, "RELATIONS WITH WHICH HAVE HISTORICALLY DEVELOPED WITHOUT SET-BACKS, GOOD TO BETTER," SAID RAFIK NISHANOV, CHAIRMAN OF THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT'S COUNCIL OF NATIONALITIES CHAMBER.

HE WAS INTERVIEWED BY TASS HERE BEFORE THE ARRIVAL OF A DELEGATION FROM THE INDIAN PARLIAMENT LED BY RABI RAY, SPEAKER OF ITS HOUSE OF THE PEOPLE.

"RELATIONS BETWEEN THE USSR AND INDIA ARE NOT ONLY RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES' GOVERNMENTS BUT, WHAT IS VERY IMPORTANT, BETWEEN THEIR PEOPLES," NISHANOV NOTED.

"THE REGULAR DIALOGUE AT THE SUMMIT LEVEL LEADS TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE COOPERATION WITH INDIA. THIS DIALOGUE WAS HIGHLIGHTED BY SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV'S VISITS TO INDIA IN 1986 AND 1988 AND THE MAJOR DOCUMENTS SIGNED DURING THOSE VISITS," HE SAID.

"THE INDIAN PRIME MINISTER VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH'S RECENT VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION CONFIRMED THE CONTINUING PERSONAL CONTACTS BETWEEN THE INDIAN AND SOVIET LEADERSHIP.

"THE JOINT SOVIET-INDIAN STATEMENT SIGNED DURING THAT VISIT WAS A WORTHY CONTINUATOR OF THE DELHI DECLARATION. IT EMPHASIZED THE TWO COUNTRIES' READINESS TO ENTER THE 21ST CENTURY ON THE BASIS OF THEIR COMMON VISION OF WORLD PROCESSES".

REGULAR CONTACTS BETWEEN THE SOVIET AND INDIAN PARLIAMENTS HAVE BECOME A TRADITION, NISHANOV SAID. THEY "PERMIT US TO EXCHANGE LEGISLATIVE EXPERIENCE IN SOLVING POLITICAL, SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, NATIONAL AND OTHER PROBLEMS AND HELP US UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER BETTER".

NISHANOV POINTED OUT THAT IF SOVIET AND INDIAN PARLIAMENTARIANS AGREED TO ACT IN SOLIDARITY IN THE INTERNATIONAL ARENA, THEY COULD PRODUCE TANGIBLE RESULTS IN THE STRUGGLE FOR A COMPLETE BAN ON NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS AND FACILITATE TURNING THE ASIAN-PACIFIC REGION INTO A ZONE OF PEACE, SECURITY AND COOPERATION.

"WE BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA FOR SOVIET AND INDIAN PARLIAMENTARIANS TO HOLD JOINTLY A REPRESENTATIVE CONFERENCE OF PARLIAMENTARIANS OF THE ASIAN AND PACIFIC COUNTRIES TO CONSIDER THE REGION'S PRESSING PROBLEMS," NISHANOV SAID.

"A FORUM OF THIS KIND COULD DISCUSS THE SETTLEMENT OF REGIONAL CONFLICTS, INCLUDING IN THE MIDDLE EAST," THE SOVIET STATESMAN SAID.

NISHANOV SAID THAT SOVIET-INDIAN ECONOMIC COOPERATION WAS MUTUALLY ADVANTAGEOUS. ACCORDING TO HIM, IN 1989, THE SOVIET UNION IMPORTED FROM INDIA ONE BILLION ROUBLES WORTH OF CONSUMER GOODS, AND THE PLANK WILL BE RAISED THIS YEAR.

BOTH TRADITIONAL INDIAN EXPORTS TO THE SOVIET UNION AND NEW INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS -- INCLUDING MACHINES, ELECTRONIC AND MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, COMPUTERS AND MEDICINES -- ARE INCREASING.

THE TOTAL VOLUME OF SOVIET-INDIAN TRADE HAS BEEN CONSISTENTLY ON THE RISE, REACHING 2.8 BILLION ROUBLES IN 1989.

NISHANOV FAVOURED DEVELOPING NEW FORMS OF SOVIET-INDIAN INTERACTION, INCLUDING PRODUCTION COOPERATION, JOINT VENTURES AND BUILDING COOPERATION IN THE SOVIET UNION AND THIRD COUNTRIES.

HE SAID A POWERFUL IMPULSE TO FURTHER ECONOMIC INTERACTION WILL BE PROVIDED BY NEW SUMMIT AGREEMENTS ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF BILATERAL RELATIONS UP TO THE END OF THE CENTURY.

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VILNIUS (OCT 22) TASS - "IF OUR RELATIONS WITH THE OUTSIDE WORLD DEVELOP AT THE PRESENT PACE, WE HAVE ONLY TO FORMALISE REALITIES, ALREADY RECOGNISED BY THE WORLD, AT TALKS WITH THE KREMLIN," LITHUANIAN DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER ROMUALDOS OZOLAS SAID HERE ON SUNDAY EVENING, REVIEWING WEEKLY EVENTS ON TELEVISION.

HE COMMENTED ON LAST WEEK'S VISIT BY THE NORDIC COUNCIL TO VILNIUS AND KAZIMIERA PRUNSKIENE'S VISIT TO SWEDEN.

SINCE THE MIDDLE OF LAST WEEK OZOLAS WAS IN MOSCOW WHERE GROUPS OF EXPERTS AND SPECIALISTS ARE WORKING ON DOCUMENTS FOR THE FORTHCOMING TALKS BETWEEN LITHUANIA AND THE SOVIET UNION.

HE NOTED THAT "THE THREE DAYS IN MOSCOW WERE VERY DIFFICULT". "THE KREMLIN IGNORES BOTH OUR AND WORLD LOGIC," HE SAID.

ON THE ONE HAND, OZOLAS NOTED, THE SOVIET SIDE REJECTED ALL PROPOSALS TO SETTLE SPECIFIC PROBLEMS (THE DEPLOYMENT OF THE SOVIET ARMY IN LITHUANIA, THE QUESTIONS OF VISAS, CUSTOMS CONTROL, ETC.) IN THE BELIEF THAT THEIR EXAMINATION IS POSSIBLE ONLY AFTER POLITICAL DECISIONS ARE MADE.

ON THE OTHER HAND, THE LITHUANIAN GROUP THAT IS DRAFTING A PROTOCOL ON THE START OF THE TALKS, IS ENCOUNTERING MOSCOW REPRESENTATIVES' OPPOSITION TO THE INCLUSION OF "POLITICAL REFERENCES" IN THIS DOCUMENT, OZOLAS CONTINUED.

HE SAID THAT "THERE WILL BE NO MORE CONSULTATIVE MEETINGS" AND THAT "THE SOVIET-LITHUANIAN TALKS WILL BEGIN".

THE DEPUTY PREMIER CALLED THE DRAFTING BY A JOINT WORKING GROUP OF A PROTOCOL ON THE START OF THE TALKS WHICH COULD BE SIGNED AT THE NEXT MEETING BY THE TWO DELEGATIONS, A CONDITION FOR THE START OF THE BILATERAL TALKS.

"MOSCOW WILL BE FORCED TO RECOGNISE US: ONLY A FEW DOUBT THIS IN THE KREMLIN,

ALTHOUGH THE REVERSE IS SAID OUTLOUD," OZOLAS NOTED.

SOVIET PRIME MINISTER NIKOLAI RYZHKOV TOLD REPORTERS AFTER A MEETING WITH LITHUANIAN REPRESENTATIVES ON SATURDAY THAT THE MORATORIUM ANNOUNCED BY THE LITHUANIAN LEADERSHIP ON THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE THAT WAS PROCLAIMED IN MARCH IS THE BASIS FOR THE NEGOTIATIONS.

"IT IS UNACCEPTABLE TO US TO DEFINE THE FINAL AIM OF THE TALKS AS THEIR PRELIMINARY CONDITION NOW," HE SAID.

IN RYZHKOV'S OPINION, THE LITHUANIAN LEADERSHIP UNDERSTANDS WELL THAT "THEY ARE UNABLE NOW TO LIVE WITHOUT THE SOVIET ECONOMY AND UNITED ECONOMIC SPACE". "TALK ABOUT SECESSION FROM THE SOVIET UNION IS CONDUCTED ONLY FROM THE POLITICAL POINT OF VIEW," HE ADDED.

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#90295u0094 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

FOOTBALL

Cincinnati at Cleveland, 9 p.m.

HOCKEY

Toronto at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Stockholm, Sweden - $1.1 million Stockholm Open
Sao Paolo, Brazil $150,000 Philips Open
Brighton, England - $350,000 Midland Bank Championships
Dallas - $350,000 Virginia Slims of Dallas

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#90295u0131 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - Congressional negotiators ended budget talks Sunday night without resolving differences on how to tax the nation's wealthiest people... as part of a deficit-reduction plan. Negotiators are trying come up with a package that can be passed by Wednesday when the latest stop-gap spending bill funding the government expires. The budget negotiations are to resume Monday morning.

President Bush is expected to issue the 16th veto of his administration Monday when he considers the Civil Rights Act of 1990. On Saturday, Bush offered his own version of the bill... but Congress rejected it Sunday as a political ploy. Critics of the presidential version concede it will be tough to hand Bush his first override defeat if the civil rights act is vetoed.

There is NO word as to the cause of an airplane crash Sunday night that killed one person and seriously injured three others in Santa Barbara, California. The small plane knocked down power lines and struck a building as it went down short of the runway at the Municipal Airport. The four people on board were graduate students from India... two women and two men.

Physicians attending an American Society of Anesthesiologists convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, were introduced to a new painkiller Sunday that is hailed as a major medical breakthrough. The painkiller, called Toradol, is a synthetic chemical that when injected into patients has the same pain relief as morphine, but without the narcotic side effects.

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#90295u0132 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - A new F-B-I report on crime contains nothing but bad news. The agency's report found violent crime was on the upswing in the first half of 1990... rising 10 percent nationwide. The survey also found that murders in America's biggest cities jumped 20 percent during that time... fueled by gang violence and wars over drug turf.

Powerful winds raged through the northern Rockies Sunday... as showers and thunderstorms moved across the Midwest, parts of the Southeast and the Pacific Northwest. Livingston, Montana, was hit by gusts of 81 miles-an-hour... while Vedauwoo, Wyoming, clocked 60-mile- an-hour winds.

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#90295u0187 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - NFL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Dallas	0	0	3	14--17
Tampa Bay	3	7	0	3--13

FIRST QUARTER

TB-FG Christie 23, 13:35

SECOND QUARTER

TB-Peebles 2 pass from Testaverde (Christie kick), 13:41

THIRD QUARTER

Dal-FG Willis 24, 9:38

FOURTH QUARTER

Dal-Holt 64 interception return (Willis kick), 8:14

TB-FG Christie 32, 13:04

Dal-Irvin 28 pass from Aikman (Willis kick), 14:37

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	Dal	TB
First downs	14	22
Rushes-yards	24--78	24--90
Passing yards	145	241
Sacked-yards lost	2--14	6--53
3rd down eff.	4-12-33.3	6-12-50.0
4th down eff.	0-0-00.0	0-0-00.0
Passes	13--29--1	22--35--3
Punts	6--44.3	3--51.7
Punt returns-yds	1--4	2--7
KO returns-yds	3--64	3--56
Fumbles-lost	1--0	2--2
Penalties-yards	8--55	6--50
Time of possession	26:35	33:25

Denver	7	10	0	10-27
Indianapolis	3	7	0	7-17

FIRST QUARTER
Den-Nattiel 52 pass from Elway (Treadwell kick), 3:16.
Ind-FG Biasucci 32, 8:15.

SECOND QUARTER
Den-Jackson 5 pass from Elway (Treadwell kick), 2:59.
Den-FG Treadwell 39, 8:41.
Ind-Johnson 1 pass from Trudeau (Biasucci kick), 14:32.

THIRD QUARTER
None

FOURTH QUARTER
Ind-Hester 5 pass from Trudeau (Biasucci kick), 5:42.
Den-FG Treadwell 42, 11:15.
Den-Sewell 4 run (Treadwell kick, 13:19.

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	Den	Ind
First downs	23	23
Rushes-yards	34--151	14--59
Passing yards	317	312
Sacked-yards lost	3--24	2--8
3rd down eff.	5--12--42.0	2--9--22.0
4th down eff.	1--1--100	0--1--00.0
Passes	21--30--0	24--39--1

Punts	2--47.5	4--49.3
Punt returns-yds	4--46	0--0
KO returns-yds	4--87	6--91
Fumbles-lost	1--1	1--0
Penalties-yards	10--82	5--54
Time of possessin	35:20	24:40

New Orleans	3	0	0	7--10
Houston	0	10	10	3--23

FIRST QUARTER
NO-FG Andersen 20, 14:28

SECOND QUARTER
Hou-White 6 pass from Moon (Zendejas kick), 14:23
Hou-FG Zendejas 43, 15:00

THIRD QUARTER
Hou-White 1 run (Zendejas kick), 6:07
Hou-FG Zendejas 45, 8:08

FOURTH QUARTER
NO-Brenner 31 pass from Walsh (Andersen kick), 2:02
Hou-FG Zendejas 33, 8:50

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	NO	Hou
First downs	19	21
Rushes-yards	16--61	28--103
Passing yards	259	202
Sacked-yards lost	4--33	0--0
3rd dwn eff.	3--12--25.0	10--15--67.0
4th down eff.	1--2--50.0	0--1--0
Passes	22--39--1	23--37--0
Punts	2--39.5	2--51.0
Punt returns-yds	2--10	2--3
KO returns-yds	5--107	0--0
Fumbles-lost	4--2	2--2
Penalties-yards	7--72	7--53
Time of possssn	28:03	31:57

NY Jets	7	14	3	3--27
Buffalo	0	17	7	6--30

FIRST QUARTER
NYJ-McNeil 5 run (Leahy kick), 9:39.

SECOND QUARTER
NYJ-Boyer 1 pass from O'Brien (Leahy kick), 0:03.
Buf-Reed 19 pass from Kelly (Norwood kick), 4:11.
NYJ-Toon 19 pass from O'Brien (Leahy kick), 9:36.
Buf-Reed 14 pass from Kelly (Norwood kick), 13:04.
Buf-FG Norwood 29, 14:38.

THIRD QUARTER
Buf-FG Leahy 28, 7:33.
Buf-Lofton 60 pass from Kelly (Norwood kick), 8:42.

FOURTH QUARTER
NYJ-FG Leahy 25, 12:14.
Buf-Mueller 14 pass from Kelly, 14:41.

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	NYJ	Buf
First downs	23	24
Rushes-yards	40--150	22--129
Passing yards	192	276
Sacked-yards lost	3--18	2--21
3rd down eff.	7--14--50.0	4--9--44.0
4th down eff.	2--2--100.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	28--14--1	32--19--1
Punts	3--49.7	3--47.0
Punt returns-yds	3--10	2--8
KO returns-yds	6--75	6--128
Fumbles-lost	1--0	0--0
Penalties-yards	10--61	9--61
Time of posession	37:02	22:58

San Francisco	0	10	10	7-27
Pittsburgh	7	0	0	0- 7

FIRST QUARTER
Pit-Bell 2 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 13:38

SECOND QUARTER
SF-FG Cofer 39, 3:11
SF-Sherrard 5 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 14:41

THIRD QUARTER
SF-FG Cofer 20, 11:07
SF-Rathman 1 run (Cofer kick), 12:25

FOURTH QUARTER
SF-Rathman 1 run (Cofer kick), 2:31

A-64,301.

	SF	Pitt
First downs	22	14
Rushes-yards	37--150	23--97
Passing yards	154	103
Sacked-yards lost	1--3	2--18
3rd dwn eff.	11--16--69.0	3--9--33.0
4th down eff.	0--1--00.0	0--1--00.0
Passes	20--30--2	13--22--1
Punts	1--39.0	3--36.7
Punt returns-yds	2--22	0--0
KO returns-yds	2--38	4--80
Fumbles-lost	2--1	1--1
Penalties-yards	6--50	5--65
Time of posessin	34:16	25:54

Atlanta	10	0	7	7--24
LA Rams	0	20	14	10--44

FIRST QUARTER
Atl-FG Davis 41, 8:22
Atl-Dixon 5 pass from Miller (Davis kick), 11:21

SECOND QUARTER
LA Rams-Gary 23 run (Lansford kick), 1:06
LA Rams-FG Lansford 46. 5:11
LA Rams-D. Johnson 1 pass from Everett (Lansford kick), 13:04
LA Rams-FG Lansford 24, 14:59

THIRD QUARTER
Atl-Rison 71 pass from Miller (Davis kick), 1:05
LA Rams-Ellard 35 pass from Everett (Lansford kick), 3:45
LA Rams-Anderson 37 pass from Everett (Lansford kick), 9:42

FOURTH QUARTER
LA Rams-Gary 1 run (Lansford kick), 1:31
LA Rams-FG Lansford 32, 6:37
Atl-Rison 14 pass from Campbell (Davis kick), 10:21

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	Atl	Rams
First downs	12	26
Rushes-yards	16--79	32--129
Passing yards	267	302
Sacked-yards lost	4--31	0--0

3rd down eff.	3--11--27.3	4-13--30.8
4th down eff.	0--2--0.0	1--3--33.3
Passes	33--18--1	38--24--0
Punts	5--41.4	2--45.0
Punt returns-yds	1--14	3--41
KO returns-yds	7--138	2--20
Fumbles-lost	2--2	1--1
Penalties-yards	10--93	6--61
Time of possessin	24:04	35:56

Phoenix	3	7	6	3--19
NY Giants	7	3	0	10--20

FIRST QUARTER
NYG-Anderson 4 run (Bahr kick), 6:11
Phx-FG Del Greco 39, 9:17

SECOND QUARTER
NYG-FG Bahr 34, 10:45
Phx-Sharpe 1 pass from Rosenbach (Del Greco kick), 14:37

THIRD QUARTER
Phx-FG Del Grco 18, 6:43
Phx-FG Del Greco 34, 10:45

FOURTH QUARTER
Phx-FG Del Greco 45, 9:22
NYG-Baker 38 pass from Hostetler (Bahr kick), 11:39.
NYG-FG Bahr 40, 14:57

A-76,518

	Phx	NYG
First Downs	14	18
Rushes-yards	35--125	31--157
Passing yards	96	164
Sacked-yards lost	2--6	5--26
3rd down eff.	4--14--29.0	3--12--25.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	1--3--33.3
Passes	11--20--0	13--25--1
Punts	6--45.7	3--52.3
Punt returns-yds	2--20	4--66
KO returns-yds	3--45	6--108
Fumbles-lost	1--0	4--1
Penalties-yards	5--30	4--24
Time of possessin	30:12	29:48

LA Raiders	0	10	7	7--24
San Diego	3	3	3	0-- 9

FIRST QUARTER
SD-FG Carney 27, 9:17

SECOND QUARTER
Rai-FG Jaeger 24, 14:08
Rai-Jackson 5 run (Jaeger kick), 8:51
SD-FG Carney 37, 1:45

THIRD QUARTER
Rai-Jackson 7 run (Jaeger kick), 9:52
SD-FG Carney 37, 3:03

FOURTH QUARTER
Rai-Gault 8 pass from Schroeder (Jaeger kick), 9:30

A-60,569.

	Rai	SD
First downs	17	16
Rushes-yards	30--116	31--136
Passing yards	173	150
Sacked-yards lost	1--3	2--19
3rd down eff.	5--10--50.0	4--14--28.0
4th down eff.	1--1--100.0	0--0--0
Passes	11--20--1	14--28--0
Punts	3--41.6	4--37.0
Punt returns-yds	1--5	1--12
KO returns-yds	3--57	4--91
Fumbles-lost	0--0	0--0
Penalties-yards	2--9	5--50
Time of possessin	27:02	32:58

Philadelphia	0	0	0	7-- 7
Washington	0	7	0	6--13

FIRST QUARTER
No scoring

SECOND QUARTER
Wash-Riggs 1 run (Lohmiller kick), 13:32

THIRD QUARTER
No scoring

FOURTH QUARTER

Wash-FG Lohmiller 33, 2:57
Wash-FG Lohmiller 39, 8:24
Phi-Barnett 9 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick), 14:17

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	Phi	Wash
First downs	16	19
Rushes-yards	18--94	36--121
Passing yards	176	200
Sacked-yards lost	5--44	0--0
3rd down eff.	3--14--21.0	5--15--33.3
4th down eff.	2--2--100.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	21--42--0	14--31--0
Punts	7--43.3	4--41.7
Punt returns-yds	3--23	2--22
KO returns-yds	2--32	1--23
Fumbles-lost	1--1	2--0
Penalties-yards	7--70	6--29
Time of possessin	27:33	32:27

Kansas City	0	7	0	0-- 7
Seattle	0	3	3	13--19

FIRST QUARTER
No scoring

SECOND QUARTER
KC-Birden 33 pass from DeBerg (Lowrey kick), 14:02
Sea-FG Johnson 39, 15:00

THIRD QUARTER
Sea-FG Johnson 27, 12:54

FOURTH QUARTER
Sea-FG Johnson 39, 5:35
Sea-FG Johnson 43, 12:00
Sea-Williams 4 run (Johnson kick), 13:06.

A-60,358.

	KC	Sea
First downs	16	16
Rushes-yard	19--69	34--136
Passing yards	179	124
Sacked-yds lost	3--34	1--8
3rd down eff.	5--13--38.5	6--17--35.3
4th down eff.	0--0--0	2--2--100.0

Passes	23--34--0	13--35--4
Punt returns-yds	2--15	4--40
KO returns-yds	3--54	2--37
Fumbles-lost	3--3	0--0
Penalties-yards	7--73	5--35
Time of possessin	25:55	34:05

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(OCT. 22) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Calgary	0	2	0--2
Edmonton	1	0	0--1

First period-1, Edmonton, Brown 1 (Klima), 4:56.

Penalties-Gilmour, Cgy, :26; Joseph, Edm, 10:51; Lowe, Edm, 14:58; S. Smith, Edm, 17:15.

Second period-2, Calgary, MacLellan 3 (M. Hunter, Johansson), 8:59. 3, Calgary Fleury 4 (MacInnes, Nieuwendyk), pp, 14:09.

Penalties-Johansson, Cgy, :34; Anderson, Edm, :34; MacLellan, Cgy, 1:09; Lowe, Edm, 12:42; Murzyn, Cgy, 15:56; Cgy, bench minor (served by M. Hunter), 18:28.

Third period-None.

Penalties-Ranheim, Cgy, 7:09; Otto, Cgy, 18:05.

Shots on goal-Calgary 15-8-8-31. Edmonton 6-3-7-16.

Power-play conversions-Calgary 4-1. Edmonton 6-0.

Goalies-Calgary, Vernon. Edmonton, Ranford. A-17,054.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

Minnesota	0	0	1--1
Chicago	3	3	1--7

First Period-1, Chicago, Brown 1 (McNeill, Lemieux), 2:12. 2, Chicago, Chelios 3 (Manson, Lemieux), pp, 13:04. 3, Chicago, Roenick 5 (Manson, Chelios), pp, 17:29.

Penalties-McRae, Min, major (fighting), 2:38; McGill, Chi, major (fighting), 2:38; Churla, Min, major-misconduct (fighting), 2:38; Grimson, Chi, major-misconduct (fighting), 2:38; Kolstad, Min, 5:11; Zettler, Min, double

minor, 7:01; Graham, Chi, double minor, 7:01; Smith, Min, minor-major (fighting), 11:34; Creighton, Chi, major (fighting), 11:34; Murray, Chi, 13:24; Cloutier, Chi, 15:02 (served by Roenick); Murphy, Min, 15:34; Myllys, Min, 16:09 (served by Kolstad); Gavin, Min, 20:00; Graham, Chi, 20:00.

Second Period-4, Chicago, Larmer 7 (Gilbert, Chelios), 0:40, 5, Chicago, Yawney 3 (Chelios, Larmer), pp, 7:49. 6, Chicago, Lemieux 3 (Graham), sh, 12:19.

Penalties-Roenick, Chi, 2:56; Churla, Min, doluble minor, 5:56; Manson, Chi, 10:55; Churla, Min, 13:59; Gavin, Min, major (fighting), 16:40; Presley, Chi, major (fighting), 16:40.

Third Period-7, Chicago, Graham 3 (Murray, Creighton), pp, 2:45. 8, Minnesota, Modano 3 (Smith), 17:13.

Penalties-Taglianetti, Min, 1:32; Creighton, Chi, misconduct, 5:51; Goulet, Chi, 8:25.

Shots on goal-Minnesota 6-12-7-25. Chicago 18-9-5-32.

Power-play conversions-Minnesota 6-0. Chicago 8-4.

Goalies-Minnesoita, Myllys, Casey (0:00 of 2nd). Chicago, Cloutier. A-17,782.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Vancouver	1	0	2-3
Quebec	0	1	1-2

First period-1, Vancouver, Skriko 4 (Larionov), 5:03.

Penalties-Agnew, Van, minor-major (fighting), 2:21; Wolanin, Que, major (fighting), 2:21; Cirella, Que, 13:31; McBain, Van, 15:24.

Second period-2, Quebec, Broten 2 (Deblois, Fortier), 15:09.

Penalties-Petit, Que, 1:52; Cirella, Que, 2:15; Capuano, Van, 3:40; Butcher, Van, 7:57; Bozek, Van, 11:30; Butcher, Van, double-minor, 16:27; McRae, Que, double-minor, 16:27; Quinn, Van, 17:28.

Third period-3, Vancouver, Bozek 2 (Smyl, Bradley), 10:51. 4, Vancouver, Bozek 3 (Smyl), 16:11. 5, Quebec, Sundin 4 (Finn), 19:52.

Penalties-Smyl, Van, 7:16; Hough, Que, 7:16; Stern, Van, 9:16; Petit, Que, 9:16; Smyl, Van, 10:51; Finn, Que, 10:51; Petit, Que, 13:21.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 9-7-9-25. Quebec 6-9-8-23. Power-play conversions-

Vancouver 3-0, Quebec 6-0. Goalies- Vancouver, Gamble. Quebec, Tugnutt. Referee-Mark Faucette. A-14,094.

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(OCT. 22) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

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Congressional negotiators trying to resolve budget differences broke up for the night with no agreement. Another meeting is scheduled this morning. Both the Republicans and Democrats are aiming for higher taxes on the rich. But Democrats favor a surcharge, while Republicans want to limit deductions.

President Bush plans to issue a veto today of the Civil Rights Act of 1990 which protects workers against job discrimination. Bush presented his own version, but lawmakers and civil rights advocates rejected it. Bush says his measure would NOT impose hiring quotas.

Israel is keeping Palestinians out of Jerusalem in an attempt to prevent disturbances caused by the slaying of three Jews. Israel Television says two-thousand police have been sent to the city. Palestinians working in Israel will be searched before being admitted.

The Washington Post says Iraq has sophisticated U-S Hawk anti- aircraft missiles and its military forces are learning to use them. The newspaper said the 150 missiles could threaten western aircraft in the Persian Gulf force. Iraq captured the weapons when it occupied Kuwait.

Democratic groups that control Russia's largest cities- Moscow and Leningrad- have formed an organization opposed to the Communist Party. Democratic Russia met this weekend and promised to work for a market economy. It called for the resignation of Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov who favors a slow transition.

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#90295u0207 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - Northern European nations are getting ready for a stream of refugees because of loosened Soviet restrictions on emigration. Denmark says the number of Soviet citizens seeking asylum has swelled. Sweden and Norway are preparing to receive thousands of people. Finland has increased patrols on the Soviet border.

The 10-party coalition ruling Malaysia was returned to office in yesterday's elections. Coalition lawmakers supporting Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad won 166 of the 180 parliamentary seats already decided. Mahathir got the

two-thirds majority he wanted to form a government that can amend the constitution.

Petroleum industry analyst Trilby Lundberg reports that retail gasoline prices rose more than two cents a gallon in the last two weeks. The average price was just over one dollar 47 cents, tax included. Lundberg says most retailers have increased retail prices only as much as the wholesale increase.

The second trial in an attack on a jogger in Central Park in Manhattan begins today. Two youths are charged with attacking and raping the woman. The lawyer for one defendant plans to cross-examine the woman about her sex life. The other defense lawyer opposes cross-examination and says he may move for a mistrial.

Scientists hope to get a good look today at a huge, rare shark with a mouth that glows in the dark. The megamouth shark was caught in a fishing net yesterday and was hauled to Dana Point, California. Only two others have ever been sighted. Scientists say they have no facility for keeping the shark so it will be set free.

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#90295u0211 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - The Calgary Flames struck to their game plan of checking the Edmonton Oilers everywhere on the ice Sunday night and it paid off with a 2-1 victory.

Flames goalie Mike Vernon faced only 16 shots as his teammates kept the Oiler snipers off balance for the entire time.

''There was only time they got a rebound and that was it,'' Vernon said. ''We did our job defensively tonight. Sixteen shots may sound like an easy night but it's never easy against the Edmonton Oilers especially when you give them a penalty in the last two minutes of the game.

''Our team did a heck of job of clogging up the middle and taking center ice away from them.''

Edmonton goalie Bill Ranford was much busier, facing 31 shots. He played well, turning aside two breakaways and shots from close range.

''Ranford definitely deserved first star,'' said Theron Fleury, who scored the winning goal at 14:09 of the second period.

Fleury deflected an on-ice shot from defenseman Al MacInnis past Ranford.

''It was just me and Ranford back there and I just touched the puck slighly,'' Fleury said.

Brian MacLellan scored the other Calgary goal, also in the second period.

Dave Brown, known more for his policeman role than scoring, gave the Oilers a 1-0 lead in the first period.

Brown's last goal goes back 138 games - to the days when he laced on his stakes for the Philadelphia Flyers - and it has been so long, he couldn't remember the last time he scored.

''I figured it would come some time or another,'' Brown said. ''I'm not all that great with the puck ... but everyone should score a few goals a year. I've had a lot of chances but just couldn't put them away.''

In other games, Chicago routed Minnesota 7-1 and Vancouver edged Quebec 3-2.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Blackhawks 7, North Stars 1

At Chicago, Chris Chelios had a goal and three assists and Jacques Cloutier turned back 24 shots to power the Blackhawks. Mike Modano's third goal at 17:13 of the final period ruined Cloutier's shutout bid. Chelios's power-play goal in the opening period was one of five goals scored by Chicago's special teams.

Canucks 3, Nordiques 2

At Quebec, Steve Bozek scored twice in the third period to lift Vancouver. With the score 1-1, Bozek struck at 10:51, taking a pass in the slot from Brian Bradley and depositing a low shot into the left corner of the net. Bozek then scored at 16:11, banging a rebound past goaltender Ron Tugnutt.

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#90295u0237 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

CANBERRA, Australia (OCT. 22) UPI - On the eve of a five-day visit by black South African leader Nelson Mandela, Prime Minister Bob Hawke said sporting sanctions against South Africa may soon be lifted.

''From my point of view, I hope that as soon as it's reasonable now we will be able to lift the sanctions,'' the prime minister said Sunday on ABC radio's Grandstand program. ''We want to do that as soon as its clear that the process (of dismantling apartheid) is irreversible and it looks as those processes are getting to the stage where they may be irreversible.

''When that happpens, well then, these (sporting) sanctions will be able to be lifted, and they are talented people,'' Hawke said.

''If they fully integrate the society and develop the talents of their population, they could be very, very formidable opponents,'' he said.

Mandela was scheduled to arrive in Canberra Monday night from Indonesia on the third leg of his Asian tour.

The Australian government maintains no contacts with the South African military, has no official trade links and does not encourage trade with South Africa.

Hawke said South African President F.W. de Klerk acknowledged that sactions had accelerated reform of the apartheid system or racial segregation.

''They've made it clear that the pressures that have been put on by the rest of the world, including Australia, is a thing which has now bought them to the table,'' Hawke said. ''We've always wanted not to bring South Africa to its knees, but to bring it to the negotiating table.''

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#90295u0246 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 22) UPI - A long-standing territorial dispute over a tiny uninhabited island group in the East China Sea erupted when Japanese Coast Guard ships forced two Taiwanese vessels approaching one of the islands to turn back, maritime officials said Monday.

The incident occurred Sunday afternoon when two Taiwanese ships tried to land a sports delegation on Uotsurijima, one of the disputed Senkaku Islands, a spokesman for the Maritime Safety Agency said.

Government spokesman Misoji Sakamoto Monday expressed regret over the icncident and said the government will ask Taiwan to take measures to prevent such incidents.

''The Senkaku is part of Japanese territory and Sunday's incident is regrettable. The government will ask Taiwan authorities to take proper measures to prevent the recurrence of such incidents,'' Sakamoto, Chief Cabinet Secretary and Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu's official spokesman, told a news conference.

The Senkaku group of eight tiny islets, located about halfway between southern Japan and Taiwan, is claimed by Japan, China and Taiwan. The group is called Diaoyutai by China and Taiwan.

The islands are uninhabited and Japanese Maritime Safety Agency ships patrol the 12-mile territorial waters around them regularly.

Japan and China agreed to shelve the dispute over the islands when the two countries signed a peace treaty normalizing relations between the two countries in 1972.

The maritime official said Japanese patrol ships spotted two Taiwanese vessels inside Japanese territorial waters about nine miles west of Uotsurijima around 2 p.m. Sunday and ordered them to turn back.

The two patrol ships were joined later by other patrol boats and helicopters flown from nearby Okinawa, Japan's southernmost island group.

The two Taiwanese vessels left the area by 5 p.m., the official said.

The official, citing reports from Taiwan, said athletes aboard the Taiwanese ships apparently tried to hoist Taiwan flags on the island and stage a torch relay for a national athletic meet scheduled for Kaohsiung Thursday.

News reports from Taipei said Taiwan was angered by installation of a lighthouse on the islands by Japan.

China, in a statement issued by the Foreign Ministry Thursday, demanded Japan dismantle the lighthouse.

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#90295u0280 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (OCT. 22) UPI - Gunmen shot and killed a leader of an association of mini-bus drivers in his office in suburban Paranaque town Monday, possibly because of his stand on a planned general strike, police said.

Oscar Lazaro, 53, was hit four times in the head and body, possibly by rebels, and died instantly, police and hospital sources said.

Police investigator Esmeraldo Landicho said four youths entered Lazaro's office at noon, announced a holdup, ordered employees to lie on the floor and asked for Lazaro.

''Lazaro identified himself and one of the youths shot him at close range,'' said Landicho. He said the assailants then walked out of the building and escaped.

Landicho said the killing appeared to be robbery, but he said investigators were looking into other angles, including the possibility guerrillas of the communist New People's Army were involved.

The guerrillas have announced they were supporting a general strike called by trade unions on Wednesday to press demands for wage increases prompted by last month's hikes in petroleum prices.

On Sunday, gunmen claiming to be guerrillas torched in the capital two buses whose owners reportedly refused to join the strike.

Landicho said he did not know what Lazaro's stand was on the strike, but he said in the past the union leader had supported the government of President Corazon Aquino and refused to join mass actions against her.

Leftist transport drivers associations have announced plans to join the strike.

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#90295u0300 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

CANBERRA, Australia (OCT. 22) UPI - The Australian government has refused a request from China to provide the names of Chinese students who have been arrested as illegal immigrants, a Department of Immigration spokesman said Monday.

The request that the Chinese Embassy be routinely informed when Chinese students are detained for illegal entry was made earlier this month.

The request followed the detention of between 40 and 50 Chinese students in Victoria, Queensland and New South Wales over the past few months. The latest detentions involved 29 students in Melbourne in September.

Gordon Benjamin, a spokesman for the Department of Immigration said the request from the Chinese Embassy was ''politely declined.''

''They asked us for something we were not prepared to give,'' Benjamin said.

Benjamin said supplying such information without the consent of the person concerned was against Australia's privacy laws but such people were given the opportunity to contact their Embassy or their solicitor if they wanted to.

''We are not aware of any unpleasantness on their return and we've had no reports of any reprisals,'' Benjamin said.

The Immigration Department estimates that about 1,400 Chinese, about 7 percentof the total who came to Australia at the time of the Tiananmen Square massacre have since returned home.

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#90295u0359 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI -, A huge cold front extending from the Great Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico marched east Monday, bringing showers to the Midwest while frost warnings were posted for Texas and fog enshrouded the Northwest.

Clear skies covered much of the Plains at the start of the week with Topeka, Kan., and Fargo, N.D., reporting lows in the upper 30s with some gusty winds topping 25 mph.

The cold front that cut a north-south line across the nation soaked parts of Ohio and Kentucky and its leading edge reached western Pennsylvania where boaters were told to use caution on the Ohio and Allegheny rivers because of high water and swift currents.

A high pressure ridge over the Middle Atlantic states brought moisture in from the Atlantic, leaving much of the South under clouds with low temperatures in the 50s and 60s.

Wet weather covered western New York state and the large front was expected to bring clouds and shower across the state during the day. New York City was partly cloudy with lows in the 50s, while Buffalo was already feeling the rains with 50-degree temperatures.

A dense fog advisory was in effect for the valleys of western Oregon, where visibilties of zero were reported in the early morning.

Winter hit Texas prompting the National Weather Service to issue a frost warning for the Hill Country.

The warning came after skies cleared over the Hill Country, Edwards Plateau and south central Texas and, combined with light north winds, temperatures in the mid 30s and lower humidity, allowed patchy, light frost to form, especially in low-lying protected areas of the Hill Country.

Partly cloudy skies and scattered showers with some local fog covered Seattle as temperatures dipped into the 40s with winds between 10 mph and 15 mph.

To the south, Los Angeles enjoyed clear skies and low temperatures in the 50s with highs predicted in the 80s for the first half of the week.

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#90295u0363 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon (OCT. 22) UPI - Lebanese Christians observed a general strike Monday to mourn the weekend killing of Dany Chamoun, a staunch supporter of deposed Christian Gen. Michel Aoun, witnesses said.

The witnesses said all businesses were shut in and around Christian east Beirut and Lebanon's estimated 1 million Christians stayed home for the day.Bakeries, pharmacies and hospitals remained open.

Chamoun, his wife and two young sons were shot to death early Sunday by gunman carrying weapons equipped with silencers who burst into his house in

Syrian-patrolled Christian district of Baabda southeast of Beirut.

Police said Chamoun, 56; his wife Ingrid, 37; and his son Tarek, 8, were killed instantly. Chamoun's second son, Julian, 6, died in hospital from his wounds, police said.

Chamoun's 11-month-old daughter was not hurt as the assassins were not aware she was in the house, according to sources close to the family.

The killing of Chamoun and his family overshadowed present Lebanese- Syrian efforts to reunify Beirut and restore law and order.

The crime, which prompted nationwide condemnations, also marred a Lebanese-Syrian summit that ended in Damascus Sunday.

Syrian President Hafez Assad, at the end of a third round of closed- door talks with Lebanese President Elias Hrawi, expressed regret over the crime.

''We don't find such events comforting at this particular time,'' Assad said shortly before Hrawi wrapped up a two-day visit to Syria and returned home.

Chamoun was a main supporter of Aoun, who was ousted Oct. 13 when a combined force of Syrian troops and Lebanese soldiers thrust into the Christian enclave and engaged Aoun's followers in a bitter fighting that left more than 600 people dead.

Aoun has hidden at the French embassy on the eastern outskirts of Beirut pending a government go-ahead to let him take up refuge in France. Pro-Syrian officials want to try Aoun for ''crimes'' against the Lebanese people and embezzling.

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#90295u0370 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

PINE PLAINS, N.Y. (OCT. 22) UPI - Tom Carvel, the hoarse-voiced ice cream entrepreneur, died Sunday morning at his home in Pine Plains, N.Y. He was 84.

Carvel was the former chairman of the Carvel chain of 700 ice cream stores. His gravelly voice was known to thousands who heard him do radio and television commercials for his shops.

Carvel also lived in Ardsley, N.Y., and Atlantis, Fla.

He apparently died in his sleep, officials said. The cause of death was not immediately known.

Carvel who had played golf on Saturday at the All-American Sports City, a golf club he owned in Dutchess County, and gone out for dinner before going to

sleep, officials said said.

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#90295u0546 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange surged Monday as momentum from last week's five-day rally boosted the market 2.4 percent.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selective issues, which surged 2,091.33 points last week including 114.41 points Friday, climbed 589.35 points, or 2.4 percent, to 25,070.86.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major listed shares shot up 42.01 points to 1,858.30, topping its Friday gain of 32.76 points.

Volume continued to be stronger than the average of the past several months. An estimated 600 million shares changed hands, compared with 1.08 billion shares on Friday.

Advances topped declines 886 to 133, while 96 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange posted solid gains, riding the wave of sharp increases in Tokyo and New York.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which climbed 41.43 points Friday, added another 23.61 points to 3,015.56.

Among the narrower indexes, financials gained 14.61 points, industrials rose 37.30, utilities dropped 29.23 and properties surged 78.62 points.

Volume was strong as an estimated 982 million shares changed hands, compared with 1.08 billion shares Friday.

In Bangkok, stocks surged on the Thailand Stock Exchange boosted by the strong performance in Tokyo and the drop in global oil prices.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which gained 2.88 points Friday, climbed 31.17 points or 4.8 percent to 683.33.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 3 billion shares, compared with 2 billion shares changing hands Friday.

In Singapore, stocks rallied in active trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in line with surge in overseas markets.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which climbed 28.32 points Friday, rose another 33.38 points to 1,173.23. The broader-based All Singapore Index rose 10.34 points to 324.18.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 72.3 million shares, compared with 48.2 million shares changing hands Friday.

Elsewhere around the region, in Seoul, stocks on the Korean Stock Exchange climbed for the fifth consecutive session.

The Korean Composite Stock Index climbed 22.93 points, or 3.2 percent, to 733.37.

In Australia, local investors ignored Tokyo's climb and sent stocks slightly lower in light trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which gained 13.4 points Friday, slipped 4.1 points to 1,364.6.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 59.6 million shares, compared with 75.3 million shares changing hands Friday.

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#90295u0560 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 22) UPI - Japan's increasing sales of used cars to the Soviet Union, New Zealand, Southeast Asia and the Middle East have pushed it past Germany as the world's top exporter of used cars, a report said Monday.

The Japan Auto Appraisal Institute said Japan exported 125,825 used cars in 1989, surpassing the approximately 100,000 used cars exported from Germany, according to the Mainichi Daily News.

A boom in domestic new car sales, which have topped 1.3 million in the last five years, has left Japan's used car market oversupplied. Used car dealers are turning to the export market.

Last year Japan doubled the number of used cars exported compared to the previous year, the institute said.

The trend has continued this year. In the first eight months of 1990, Japan exported 115,133 cars, or 44.8 percent more than the same period a year earlier, the institute said.

Japan expects to export a total of 200,000 used cars in 1990.

The Soviet Union is proving to be fertile ground for Japanese used car sales. The Soviets bought 3,000 used cars in the first eight months of this year, up from 414 used cars in all of 1989.

New Zealand, as a top customer, bought 58,000 used Japanese cars in 1989.

Other key markets include the United Arab Emirates and other Middle East countries and Southeast Asia.

The Auto Appraisal Institute inspects used cars for defects before they are exported and rejects those that fail the tests. Most exports are less than five years old.

In Japan the used cars sell for about $1,600 to $2,400), but can be sold for about $8,000 in New Zealand, the newspaper said.

Yoshihito Oishi, vice chairman of a union of used car inspectors, says the cost of storage and inspection adds considerably to the price of export-bound used cars.

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#90295u0562 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

LAHORE, Pakistan (OCT. 22) UPI - Thousands of supporters from both Pakistan's major political groupings gathered Monday to attend rival processions in the same city on the final day of campaigning for Wednesday's elections.

Ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was expected to arrive Monday evening in Lahore, where she will lead a 10-mile procession through some of the mostly densly populated neighborhoods of the northeastern city.

Supporters of Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party arrived in trucks, buses, cars, bicycles and on foot to take part in the march. They carried large wooden arrows - the PPP's election symbol - as well as the green, red and black party flag and massive portraits of Bhutto.

Bhutto was to address the crowd at seven points along the route, which goes from the city gates to the central railway station.

PPP leaders organized the procession after they were refused permission by authorities to hold rallies at three sites in Lahore. As capital of Punjab, Pakistan's most populous province, Lahore has always been politically important and the site of the final rallies of any election campaign.

Meanwhile, supporters of the Islamic Democratic Alliance, a loose coalition of parties opposed to Bhutto, gathered at the Mochi Gate ground, the traditional site for public meetings in Lahore.

Islamic Democratic Alliance leaders, including Nawaz Sharif, former chief minister of Punjab and considered Bhutto's main rival for the prime ministership, are scheduled to address a rally at the grounds late Wednesday after a 2-mile march through the city.

Thousands of armed police, many patroling in trucks, lined the routes of the processions in case of violence between supporters of the two rival groupings.

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan sacked Bhutto's 20-month-old government on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to control law and order and dissolved the National Assembly. He appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi as caretaker prime minister until elections he set for Oct. 24.

The president also set up Special Disqualification Courts to try Bhutto and members of her administration on corruption charges in what observers believe was a bid to bar her from the elections.

Many believe Ishaq Khan's actions were inspired by the army, which has run Pakistan for more than half of its 43-year history and which had been in conflict with Bhutto's democratic government.

However, analysts say the attempt to malign Bhutto and keep her from returning to power have instead evoked a wave of sympathy for the daughter of hanged Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto.

But they say Benazir Bhutto may have lost some support after accusations by Islamic Democratic Alliance leaders that she was to blame for this month's suspension of U.S. aid, and that she is sympathetic to India and Israel.

Bhutto has drawn massive and emotional crowds at rallies across the country in an outpouring of support many observers say exceeds that of the campaign for the November 1988 elections. The PPP won those elections, the first democratic polls in the country since 1977.

Most predictions say the PPP will emerge as the single largest party from Wednesday's vote, but without an overall majority, and that the Islamic Democratic Alliance will be able to cobble together a coalition government with the help of minor parties and independents.

However, most commentators say an Islamic Democratic Alliance coalition government, founded largely on opposition to Bhutto, may not survive long and that the country could again be going to polls within a year.

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#90295u0573 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - Two people sitting on railroad tracks and drinking beer were killed last night in Encinitas, California, when an Amtrak train hit them. Four people were injured. Another Amtrak train hit and killed a pedestrian in Van Nuys, California.

House Speaker Tom Foley says an agreement on the budget probably must be made by today to prevent a government shutdown. Another temporary spending bill

expires Wednesday. Negotiations on the budget resume this morning.

Congressional leaders have rejected President Bush's version of a civil rights bill to fight job discrimination. Bush says he will veto the congressional bill today. He says it promotes job quotas.

The F-B-I says violent crime rose 10 percent in the first half of 1990. A major reason was a 20 percent increase in murders in big cities. Senator Joseph Biden says- ''We must get serious about stopping the killing.''

Tom Carvel, whose raspy voice was familiar in commercials for the chain of 700 Carvel ice cream stores, is dead. Carvel died at his home in Pine Plains, New York. He was 84.

Showers fell in the Midwest today as a huge cold front moved east. Parts of Ohio and Kentucky were soaked. The wet weather is expected to hit New York state during the day.

Gasoline analyst Trilby Lundberg says retail prices increased more in the past two weeks, but at a slower rate. On Friday, the average price for gasoline was one dollar 47 cents. That's a two-cent raise in two weeks.

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#90295u0575 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - Iraq says its armed forces are on full alert. A report from the Iraqi news agency does NOT give any reason for an alert. But it quotes a defense newspaper as saying the army is ready to confront any U-S aggression.

South African President Frederik de Klerk visits the Netherlands tomorrow. It's the first visit by a South African president since apartheid started 42 years ago. De Klerk is in Morocco today to improve ties with the Arab world.

Australia may lift its ban on athletic competition with South Africa. Prime Minister Bob Hawks said the sanctions have helped break down segregation. He says when reform is irreversible, the ban will be lifted.

The head of a Philippines' bus drivers' union who sometimes sided with the Manila government was shot and killed today. Investigators say he may have died in a robbery or been killed because of his stand on a general strike.

Japanese maritime officials say they stopped two Taiwanese vessels from approaching one of the uninhabited Senkaku Islands in the East China Sea yesterday. Both Taiwan and Japan, as well as China, claim the islands.

Buddhist monks in Burma have ended a boycott of the military. They had refused to perform ceremonies for members of the military. The monks accused troops of killing four people during an anti-government protest in August.

The sheriff of Broward County, Florida, says if 2 Live Crew gives another performance like one in June, band members will be arrested again. A jury on Saturday found the musicians NOT guilty of obscenity.

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#90295u0640 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath says his trip to Iraq has resulted in the release of some British hostages. Six German citizens also were released. They sharply critized the German government for NOT doing more to help the 400 Germans held in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

A general strike is under way in Beirut today as Lebanese Christians mourn the weekend killing of Dany Chamoun, a supporter of deposed Christian General Michel Aoun. Witnesses said all businesses were shut in and around Christian east Beirut. They said Lebanon's estimated one Million Christians stayed home for the day.

A magazine in Cairo, Egypt, says that NON-Egyptians working with the Abu Nidal terrorist network may have helped in last week's assassination of the Egyptian speaker of Parliament. The report implicates Moslem fundamentalists who it says trained at special terrorism camps in Sudan.

President Bush has lost standing in public opinion polls. Latest ratings show 56 to 60 percent of the people approve his presidency. That's a 20 percent drop in just a month. But Bush's popularity still is higher than the average for each of his four predecessors, starting with Richard Nixon.

Five children were killed yesterday in a fire in a house in Cleveland. Neighbors say the fire may have been caused by arson. They say a former boyfriend of the mother of four of the children had threatened her. Cleveland fire officials say the fire still is under investigation.

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#90295u0641 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - A small plane crashed last night just short of the runway at Santa Barbara, California, and hit a building, killing one person. The three others on board were seriously injured. Officials say all four were graduate students from India who attended the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Tom Carvel, whose rough voice sold soft ice cream in a series of television commercials, died yesterday. Carvel apparently died in his sleep in his home at Pine Plains, New York. He was 84. Carvel was chairman of the chain of 700 Carvel ice cream stores and was known for his commercial appearances.

Kenya has severed diplomatic relations with Norway because of a dispute over

the arrest of a fugitive Kenyan political activist. Two weeks ago, Kenyan security police arrested the man who was thought to be in self-imposed exile in Norway since 1986. He had reportedly smuggled himself, several associates and a quantity of arms into Kenya.

Official reports from Katmandu, Nepal say that the nation's prime minister has offered to resign over differences with King Birendra on a new democratic constitution for the Himalayan kingdom. The offer reportedly came after the king proposed a constitution that for the most part retains his vast powers.

Seven college students injured in a weekend hayride accident still are hospitalized in Michigan. Authorities say 21 Ferris State University students and two horses pulling their wagon were injured when a car hit it from behind. The wagon had rear lights when it started, but they were NOT there during the accident.

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#90295u0734 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) UPI - The Treasury Department postponed Monday's scheduled auction of 13- and 26-week Treasury bills because Congress failed to pass legislation raising the debt limit in time for the offering.

''Investors are advised to look for notice of rescheduling of these auctions in the financial press or to contact their local Federal Reserve bank or branch for such information,'' the Treasury Department said.

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#90295u0745 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 22) UPI - Britain's trade gap narrowed during September because an unexpected surge in exports and a drop in imports compensated for the increased costs of oil, figures released Monday said.

The Central Office of Statistics announced that Britain's trade deficit for September was $1.6 billion, a drop from $2.3 billion in August, and the first drop below the 1 billion pound figure this year.

Currency markets and the London stock exchange reacted immediately to the favorable news.

By noon, the pound had risen 1 cent against the U.S. dollar to $1.9581, and reached 2.9518 German marks and 247 Japanese yen. The blue chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 6.4 points Friday, was ahead 4.4 points to 2,093.4. The narrower top 30 industrial average was up 5.2 points to 1,626.7.

Market analysts said the robust export performance indicated British products remained competitive.

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#90295u0747 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

EL ALAMEIN, EGYPT (OCT. 22) UPI - Veterans of the last key World War II desert battle at El Alamein warned a Persian Gulf desert war would be ''very difficult,'' but a German veteran applauded action to keep Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein from imitating Adolf Hitler.

Allied soldiers and one Axis soldier, all in their 70s and 80s, stood at attention during ceremonies Sunday to mark the 48th anniversary of the battle where British Gen. Bernard Montgomery outwitted German ''Desert Fox'' Gen. Erwin Rommel's Afrika Corps, smashing Hitler's dream of conquering the Middle East.

Currently, troops from Britain's 7th Armored Brigade - which won the nickname ''Desert Rats'' fighting Rommel's Nazi Panzer divisions in North Africa - are deployed in Saudi Arabia alongside U.S. Marines as part of the U.S.-led international force confronting Iraq.

Sunday, the veterans discreetly wiped away tears amid memories of those who died, and Italian veteran Roberto Partini, 92, expressed caution about a new war in the Persian Gulf.

''We're all united now for peace and we're trying to build a new Europe,'' Partini said. ''I don't believe in war ... I hope and trust in peace.''

Another Italian veteran who fought at El Alamein said war in the desert was very difficult.

''War in the desert in very difficult because of the conditions of the climate '' said Franco Losardo, 74, who served as an artillery officer in the 1942 campaign. ''There is no water for a big army, there are many diseases ... a desert war must be fought fast and there isn't much time to wait around.''

Losardo said the bases of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia are far away, ''and it is difficult to give logistic supply.''

But Losardo said he was happy U.S. forces ''have the luxury'' of 5 gallons of water a day unlike Italian troops, who received only about a half-gallon of water a day if they were lucky during the El Alamein campaign.

Losardo, standing under a plaque at the Italian war dead momorial which quoted Rommel as saying: ''German soldiers stupified the world but Italian soldiers stupified German soldiers,'' said in the El Alamein campaign, most fighting was done at night.

''We never hated the soldiers on the other side ... we could see them during

the day, but we only exchanged fire at night, when it was cooler, '' he said.

An official delegation from Germany's Afrika Corps did not attend the commemmoration at the site of the battle some 65 miles west of Cairo, apparently out of concern of becoming embroiled in the Persian Gulf war.

Germany has said its constitution prevents it from deploying troops as part of the U.S.-led international force facing off against Iraq, which invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

But a sole Afrika Corps veteran who happened to be in Egypt and went to El Alamein said only firm action could stop Iraqi President Saddam.

''If the allies were stronger, Hitler would not have dared to attack, and so I'm grateful that the United States, England and France are sending forces to the Arab desert to prevent Saddam Hussein from doing the same thing Hitler did '' said Helmut Heimberg, a veteran from Kaiserslautern in Germany.

Heimberg, who served as a sergeant in the Afrika Corps and was wounded in the El Alamein campaign, said he was grateful to the United States and hoped Germany would send troops to the Persian Gulf under U.N. auspices.

''I'm grateful to America and I hope that Germany can help by changing its constitution and sending army units under U.N. auspices,'' said the bespectacled former fighter.

British widow Irene Connor from London also said only quick action could stop Saddam.

''I lived through Munich and the years of fear before Hitler started the war '' she said at the graveside of Allied troops from Britain, New Zealand, South Africa, India, Pakistan, Poland and other countries.

''We should have done it earlier,'' she said while reading an inscription on the tombstone of RAF pilot Alastair Seabrook, 22, which read: ''His last flight into the sunshine.''

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#90295u0753 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (OCT. 22) UPI - Israeli authorities barred Palestinians from the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip from entering Jerusalem Monday to prevent revenge attacks on Arabs following the stabbing deaths Sunday of three Israelis.

Jerusalem was quiet except for isolated incidents Monday as an additional 2,000 police patrolled the city and the third victim of the stabbing attack was buried.

Overnight the army sealed the West Bank home of Omar Abu Sirhan, 19, who is accused of fatally stabbing three Israelis Sunday in the West Jerusalem neighborhood of Baka. Police said Sirhan, a construction worker from Abbadiyeh village near Bethlehem, allegedly carried out the killings in revenge for the deaths of at least 20 Arabs killed by police during riots in the Temple Mount riots Oct. 8.

After crowds of angry Jews attacked Arab workers and cars Sunday following the stabbings, Police Commissioner Ya'acov Terner ordered Palestinians from the territories to be prevented from entering Jerusalem until further notice.

Arab-owned vehicles from the territories were turned back at checkpoints on the outskirts of Jerusalem. Only Palestinians with special permits or Jeruslaem residents were allowed to enter.

Police patrols were increased in markets and other places where crowds gather.

The funeral for Shalom Chelouche, 28, a police cadet killed trying to apprehend the assailant, took place Monday without incident but some mourners shouted, ''How long will this go on?''

Only relatively minor incidents were reported after Sunday's fatal stabbings. In the Neve Ya'acov neighborhood, a Jewish supermarket employee was stabbed by an Arab co-worker who then escaped, police said. The 46-year-old victim was slightly wounded.

In the Gaza Strip refugee camp of Khan Younis, a soldier was stabbed by an Arab and lightly wounded.

Overnight in the middle-class Baka neighborhood, the tires of more than 30 cars were slashed in what police said was a provocation.

Maj. Gen. Ehud Barak, deputy chief of staff, said Monday a price will have to be paid by all those responsible for Sunday's killings.

''It is important that we repeat to ourselves ... that we are in a bitter, long struggle with the Palestinians,'' Barak said during a ceremony in honor of former Defense Minister Moshe Dayan.

Justice Minister Dan Meridor told Israel Radio that security had to be increased in Jerusalem.

''We have to make an effort to increase the security even more, to overcome this crazy terrorism in order to avoid a situation in which they win,'' he said. ''A victory for them is that Jews won't go to East Jerusalem and that Arabs won't come to West.''

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#90295u0754 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 22) UPI - Members of Congress chose over the weekend NOT to accept a compromise civil rights bill proposed by President Bush. The president is expected today to veto the measure that was passed. Buhs said in a statement that his bill would protect employees against discrimination without imposing UNacceptable hiring quotas. The veto would be the 16th for Bush. So far, NONE has been over-ridden.

The Senate and the House have each passed their versions of a federal budget plan, but efforts continue to iron out the differences. Negotiators plan to meet again this morning after failing to reach agreement during the weekend. A temporary spending plan expires on Wednesday. House Speaker Tom Foley says agreement will have to come today in order to meet the deadline.

Testimony is to begin today in the trial of two youths charged with attacking and raping a woman while she jogged in Manhattan's Central Park. Their two lawyers have different opinions on strategy. One wants to cross-examine the victim about her sex life. The other lawyer says that will result in pity for her and threatens to ask for a mistrial. Three other youths were convicted in an earlier trial.

Boston has an uneasy anniversary tomorrow. One year ago, Carol Stuart, seven months pregnant, was shot and killed and her husband, Charles, was wounded. He said a black man forced his way into their car and an intense manhunt followed. A black ex-convict was identified by news reports as the prime suspect. Charles Stuart later killed himself and it is believed he was the killer. The case angered blacks and tomorrow many plan a protest against police and the news media.

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#90295u0756 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 22) UPI - An Amtrak train plowed into six people sitting on a track at Encinitas, California, last night, killed two of them and injured the four others. Police say people frequently buy beer nearby and drink it while sitting on the tracks and watching the view of the city. The victims last night apparently did NOT hear the train as it approached.

A newspaper in Berlin says former hard-line Communist party officials have obtained key positions on committees designed to help rebuild the legal system in what used to be East Germany. Federal authorities told the newspaper they were surprised that more thorough background checks on applicants had not been conducted.

A Japanese newspaper says Japan is contributing more than troops to the multi-national forces in the Persian Gulf area. Japan is sending 40- thousand

cassette tape players to be given to U-S soldiers. They will be sent to Riyadh the capital of Saudi Arabia, and distributed to the Americans. The tape players are part of Japan's Two-BILLION- dollar committment to the regional forces.

Fisherman casting their net for swordfish off the coast of California came up with a creature from another world yesterday. A 15-foot megamouth shark that lives in 600-foot waters was snared and hauled to shore, where scientists hope to study it today. However, the mysterious shark will have to be released because so little is known about it and scientists have NO place to keep it.

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#90295u0760 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 19: Purchases of 453,399 shares and sales of 477,640 shares including 19,092 shares sold short.

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City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	67	36	....
Anchorage cy	38	29	....
Asheville r	64	53	.44
Atlanta r	70	59	.04
Baltimore r	71	59	....
Billings sh	54	33	....
Birmingham r	69	52	....
Bismarck pc	62	32	....
Boston pc	67	54	....
Brownsville cy	69	55	2.19
Buffalo r	57	45	.21
Burlington Vt. sh	61	45	....
Charleston S.C. cy	79	68	....
Charlotte r	71	60	....
Chicago sy	56	36	....
Cincinnati r	58	46	.37
Cleveland r	58	47	.52
Columbus Ohio ry	58	48	.45
Dallas sy	64	40	.08
Denver pc	68	35	....
Des Moines pc	60	40	....
Detroit cy	53	42	.02
Duluth cy	50	33	....
El Paso sy	72	40	....

Evansville cy	58	41	.58
Fargo pc	56	32	....
Hartford pc	68	52	....
Honolulu sy	88	73	....
Houston pc	68	44	.84
Indianapolis cy	57	38	.29
Jackson Miss. r	66	46	.34
Jacksonville pc	85	69	.67
Kansas City sy	60	39	....
Las Vegas sy	76	47	....
Little Rock pc	63	42	.47
Los Angeles f	85	58	....
Louisville r	58	47	.75
Memphis r	60	44	.45
Miami Beach pc	87	75	....
Milwaukee sy	54	38	....
Minneapolis pc	56	37	....
Nashville r	60	45	.79
New Orleans r	73	56	1.41
New York cy	70	55	....
Oklahoma City sy	67	42	....
Omaha sy	66	39	....
Orlando pc	89	70	.05
Philadelphia cy	69	57	....
Phoenix sy	86	59	....
Pittsburgh r	59	49	....
Portland Me. cy	62	43	....
Portland Ore. fy	57	39	.50
Providence pc	67	53	....
Richmond cy	76	61	....
St. Louis sy	60	40	....
Salt Lake City cy	61	38	....
San Antonio sy	68	42	.69
San Diego f	77	56	....
San Francisco sy	73	52	....
San Juan hz	86	76	.17
Seattle pc	56	43	.31
Spokane f	50	29	.24
Tampa pc	89	71	.12
Washington r	71	62	....
Wichita f	68	39	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze

m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90295u0812 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) UPI - The Treasury Department said Monday its monthly estimate of the federal budget deficit will be released Thursday or Friday.

A schedule of government economic indicators released at the beginning of the year had said the budget report would be released Monday, but a Treasury Department spokeswoman said the date had been changed.

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#90295u0850 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) UPI - Here is a breakdown on the average approval ratings, plus the highs and lows, of each of the past eight presidents acording to the Gallup Poll:

President	Average rating	High	Low during his term
Dwight Eisenhower	65	79	48
John Kennedy	71	83	56
Lyndon Johnson	56	79	35
Richard Nixon	48	67	24
Gerald Ford	47	71	37
Jimmy Carter	47	75	28
Ronald Reagan	52	68	35
George Bush	68	80	51

(Bush's average rating includes polls conducted from his first week in office through mid-October.)

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#90295u0881 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $366.90 silver base of $4.21 and platinum price of $413.00:

	Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$382.10	386.50
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	196.10	198.40
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	100.70	101.90
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	41.60	42.10
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	382.10	386.50
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	196.10	198.40
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	102.20	102.40
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	41.60	42.10
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	388.20	392.70
China Panda .50 troy oz.	200.10	202.40
China Panda .25 troy oz.	103.70	104.90
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	44.80	45.30
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	26.80	27.10
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	382.30	386.70
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	195.30	197.60
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	98.80	99.60
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	42.60	43.00
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	380.70	385.10
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	197.20	199.40
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	101.20	102.40
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	43.60	43.60
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	380.70	385.00
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	195.60	197.90
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	83.10	84.00
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	43.50	44.00
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	22.30	22.50
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.62	$5.69
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,180	$3,230
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,375
Platinum		
Australian Koala	427.00	426.00

Isle of Man Noble	424.00	423.00
Canada Maple Leaf	435.00	434.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90295u0948 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

DRESDEN, GERMANY (OCT. 22) UPI - Eastern German residents responded with outrage Monday to a weekend march by neo-Nazis in the town of Dresden, while in western Germany, one man was killed when right-wing ''skinheads'' attacked a group of basketball fans.

Police said the 23-year-old man was killed in the western German town of Ludwigsburg Sunday after neo-Nazi ''skinheads'' attacked the fans with a molotov cocktail. In the ensuing panic, the young man was pushed off a train platform in front of an oncoming streetcar.

In eastern Germany, the daily Dresdner Morgenpost said its phone lines were jammed Monday by angry citizens responding to the ''scandalous'' weekend march by more than 500 neo-Nazis.

The group, led by notorious right-wing extremist Michael Kuehnen of western Germany, rallied in downtown Dresden Saturday.

The extremists raised their right arms in the Hitler salute, carried former German war flags and shouted ''foreigners out.'' At the rally, Kuehnen announced that the group would stage a second march at what he called the ''zone border,'' meaning the German-Polish border.

''We will never give up Pommerania, eastern Prussia and the Sudetenland,'' he said, referring to former German territories which Germany lost after World War II.

Kuehnen has served seven years in West German prisons for his neo- Nazi activities. His group, which has been banned and renamed repeatedly, consists of hard-core neo-Nazis who have been connected to numerous violent attacks.

The demonstration, which was officially registered with local authorities, was accompanied by over 200 armed policemen from Dresden and western Germany.

''I cannot understand why this march was allowed,'' said a western German police officer who was on duty during the rally.

The chairman of the Central Council of Jews in Germany, Heinz Galinski, said it was an affront that the ''sieg heil-screaming vandals'' were protected by

police.

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#90295u0955 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - A Nicaraguan diplomat was charged Monday in a federal indictment with running a smuggling ring that recruited other diplomats to carry heroin into the United States and Australia.

William Tapia, the former counsellor of the Nicaraguan Embassy in Tokyo, described by federal prosecutors as a ''significant member of the diplomatic community in Tokyo,'' was arraigned in U.S. District Court on seven counts of heroin trafficking.

The indictment charged that Tapia on two separate occasions between April and November 1987 arranged for a Guatemalan diplomat to smuggle about 125 pounds of heroin from Thailand to New York.

The estimated street value of the ''China White'' heroin was about $18 million to $21 million.

Tapia was arrested in Tokyo on Friday, and was held in the Metropolitan Correctional Center in Manhattan until his arraignment Monday. He pleaded not guilty before Judge Eugene Nickerson, who set a bail hearing for Thursday.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Cathy Palmer, who is prosecuting the case, said Tapia lives in Tokyo and has a Japanese wife, and speaks both fluent Japanese and Chinese.

She said he was an influential member of the diplomatic community in the Far East, and used that influence to recruit ''carriers'' of heroin since at least 1986.

''In the realm of diplomats, he was somebody who carried a lot of weight,'' she said.

She said Tapia would recruit other diplomats to load between 62 to 70 pounds of heroin into big suitcases that they then shipped with their own luggage through customs checkpoints.

''It was real easy,'' Palmer said. ''They never got checked.''

The diplomats would take the drug into both the United States and to Syndney, Australia, she said. The Guatamalan diplomat who transported the heroin into New York in April and October 1987 for Tapia was arrested by the Australian National Crime Authority in April 1988 on heroin importation charges, and was subsequently convicted.

If convicted on all seven counts of the federal indictment, Tapia faces a possible life term in jail and fines up to $4 million.

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#90295u0977 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-85.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 131.50-133.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 42.00-55.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 48.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $225.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $411.00-$459.00; dealer- approx., $411.50-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$114.17 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 293.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(OCT. 22) UPI - The crew of an Iraqi freighter halted by U-S and Australian warships in the Gulf of Oman today are cooperating with sailors who boarded the vessel. The Iraqi vessel is the same one that failed to stop after warning shots were fired across its bow during the weekend. It was boarded on Saturday and the captain promised to return to Iraq but did NOT.

Jerusalem is reported quiet today except for isolated incidents. Israel has moved another two-thousand police into the city to stop any violence against Arabs following the stabbing deaths of three Israelis yesterday. Those deaths were in retaliation for the Arab deaths on the Temple Mount two weeks ago.

President Bush has challenged Congress to pass his alternative to the Civil Rights Act of 1990 that he plans to veto today. Bush has yet to be overridden in any of the 16 vetoes of his presidency... and analysts say that may be the case this time. Lawmakers have rejected the Bush compromise bill, calling it a cynical political ploy.

House Speaker Tom Foley says congressional negotiators probably have only today to come up with a budget compromise if they want to beat Wednesday's deadline for another government shutdown. Weekend talks broke up late last night with NO agreement. Negotiators try again today.

Tom Carvel, a classic American success story and part of East Coast advertising history, is dead at the age of 84. He took a 15-dollar loan from his wife and built a 300-Million-dollar a year ice cream empire that became the third largest in the country. Carvel starred in his own commercials, becoming as much as a household name as his ice cream confections.

A Nicaraguan diplomat is being held in a New York City jail on charges of running a heroin smuggling ring. William Tapia, the former counselor of the Nicaraguan Embassy in Tokyo, allegedly recruited other diplomats to carry heroin into the United States and Australia. He was arraigned in U-S District Court in Manhattan today on seven counts of drug trafficking.

German authorities report violence by right-wing ''skinheads'' has left one person dead in the western town of Ludwigsburg. The violence broke out when neo-Nazi ''skinheads'' attacked a group of basketball fans with a molotov cocktail. Police say in the ensuing panic, a 23- year-old man was pushed off a train plotform in front of an oncoming streetcar.

In Dresden, in eastern Germany, residents are expressing outrage today over what they call the ''scandalous'' weekend march through the town by more than 500 neo-Nazis. The group was led by notorious right- wing extremist Michael Kuehnen. The extremists rallied downtown, raising their right arms in the Hitler salute and shouting ''foreigners out.''

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KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA (OCT. 22) UPI - Malaysia's architect of an unprecedented opposition alliance vowed Monday to continue his ''struggle'' despite a weekend election giving his longtime archrival, Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamed, a third term.

Mahathir, 65, won a new, five-year term with his 10-party National Front coalition thwarting an unprecedented opposition alliance in Malaysia's eighth general election.

Of the 180 parliamentary seats decided, supporters of the 65-year-old Mahathir garnered 127 while the six-party opposition pack spearheaded by archrival Razaleigh Hamzah amassed 53.

Between 60 and 70 percent of the 8 million Malaysians eligible to vote turned out during the two days of weekend balloting, which gave Mahathir the two-thirds majority he sought to form a new government and amend the constitution.

Razaleigh's opposition coalition represented the first time since Malaysia gained independence from Britain in 1957 that an alliance of opposition parties was formed to challenge the National Front.

''... I wish to reiterate that this struggle will be pursued with even greater determination,'' said Razaleigh, president of the Spirit of '46 party and a former finance minister.

''We have refrained from exploiting religion as a means of rousing communal emotions and threats of national disaster such as racial riots and economic strife,'' Razaleigh said.

The 54-year-old Razaleigh, who said he accepted the voter's verdict on Mahathir, won his parliamentary campaign in his west coast state of Kelantan.

He said although his coalition of opposition groups performed below expectations nationwide, it made a significant contribution to the development of democracy in the country.

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#90295u1104 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
PARIS (OCT. 22) UPI - Even the veteran Chanel line was overwhelmed by black tights in the Paris spring-summer, reach-to-wear shows Monday, but designer Jean-Louis Scherrer saved the day with captivating animal-fish prints.

Chanel fashions have evolved into modern life under the talented hand of designer Karl Lagerfeld. But he also champions a collection under his own

label shown Friday, and those trapeze-shaped dresses or jackets with tights infiltrated Chanel.

The numbers fabulous for thin young females looked doubtful for Chanel's wealthy, older customers.

Charming were the Chanel new blousy tops such as white handkerchief- thin shirts with black ribbon weaving in and out of the hems or waists, worn over the usual black tights.

The tights - above-knee, skin-tight Bermudas or below-knee bicycle tights or longer to the ankle - were topped incongruously by Chanel jackets with the usual gold buttons and contrasting edging, such as a coral jacket edged in black over black tights.

Even sheer beautifully draped black chiffon short evening dresses swirled over black chiffon tights.

The riotous colors of most of the eight-day shows for press and buyers sparked the Chanel collection, such as bright orange or green traditional Chanel jackets over flaring black mini skirts. Lagerfeld used wide black stripes on white for more excitement.

At least the traditional Chanel chain handbags survived the 1991 look, appearing in a new silver lame. The traditional Chanel white camellia appeared in black satin, sometimes naughtily sewn on the jacket back. Another new touch was high-heel shoes with two straps around the ankle, replacing the usual colored-toe Chanel pump.

Chanel also bent to show the shortest shorts in Paris, right to the crotch, under Chanel jackets - without sleeves. The skirts that survived usually were flippy and pleated or straight and tight.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 22) UPI - Grain and soybean futures were higher at midmorning Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade, although the volume was relatively light and the activity was choppy.

Analysts said widespread buying and talk of Soviet interest in soybean meal supported the grain market early.

Soybeans rallied on continued rumors the Soviet Union may already have bought soybean meal on the world market. The rumors triggered a rally in meal prices in Rotterdam.

Corn was moderately higher on spillover from soybeans and light country

movement.

Gains in both corn and soybeans were tempered by reports of active harvesting during the weekend.

Wheat was fractionally higher in lackluster trading.

Interior and Gulf basis levels were mixed.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.30 1/4 up 2; Mar 2.39 1/2 up 1 3/4; May 2.45 1/2 up 2.

Soybeans Nov 6.14 1/2 up 3; Jan 6.29 3/4 up 4; Mar 6.42 3/4 up 3 3/4; May 6.54 up 3 3/4.

Wheat Dec 2.64 1/2 up 3/4; Mar 2.79 1/4 up 1; May 2.86 1/4 up 3/4.

Oats Dec 1.24 1/4 up 1 1/4; Mar 1.34 1/4 up 1; May 1.41 up 1/2.

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#90295u1118 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

GIZA, EGYPT (OCT. 22) UPI - Egypt reopened the third and smallest pyramid of Giza Monday after 18 months of renovation and opened 15 tombs to the public for the first time as part of intensive efforts to expand the famous site to tourism.

Eventually, Minister of Culture Farouk Hosni hopes to build a huge museum complex at Giza to house the extensive collection of ancient artifacts now crammed into the elegant but aging national Egyptian Antiquities Museum in Cairo.

''If you can add more things for tourists to do in Egypt, then you can convince them to stay longer and you can earn more income,'' said Hosni at a news conference following a tour of the newly opened tombs.

The third pyramid of Giza was the last of the great pyramids to be built on the desert plateau outside of Cairo and the last of the three to be renovated.

The smallest of the three famous pyramids, the 204-foot high structure was built as the tomb of the ancient king Menkaure, called Mycerinus by the Greeks around 2620 B.C. A sarcophagus that may have contained his body was found in the last century but it was lost in the Mediterranean while being shipped to England.

Officials said workers cleaned the pyramid's interior granite chambers, which were stripped of valuables long ago, and installed a new electrical system

with safe sodium lights and closed-circuit television cameras.

The 15 tombs opened Monday are among 4,000 known tombs of royal family members and high-ranking officials that surround the great pyramids, officials said.

They were discovered and explored by archeologists almost a century ago, but have remained closed for decades under the hot sun and a thick layer of sand.

''For the past 20 years, only five of the tombs have been open, and now we are opening these 15 more,'' said Zahi Hawass, director of the pyramids site. ''Every year we hope to renovate and open more and more of them.''

The newly opened tombs include those of a king's daughter who became a high priestess, a royal gardener, the king's hairdresser and a famous architect.

Stripped of the highly prized objects that were to help the deceased in the afterlife, the tombs are notable now for their carved wall decorations of scenes of everyday life - people cooking, sailing, farming and playing games.

Traces of red, blue and gold paint remain on many of the carved figures.

''We can't really open most of the tombs in Egypt but we are opening those that are the most important and the easiest for the tourists to get to,'' Hosni said.

He said he hoped that by opening a network of tombs, the famous pyramids will become more than just a day trip and visitors will be enticed to spend some time exploring the site.

Hosni has raised an outcry in some circles with his plans to build a museum complex at the pyramids, although most agree the baroque Egyptian Antiquities Museum in central Cairo is too small to house the 100,000- item Egyptian collection.

The minister of culture said at the news conference that it would cost about $18 million to expand the old building, and the money would be better spent transferring the bulk of the famous collection to a new site at Giza.

Ironically, Egypt unveiled the newly opened tombs and renovated pyramid right at a time when tourism to the country is off by an estimated 50 percent because of the Persian Gulf crisis.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 22) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by

USDA Monday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4- 1.03 1/4.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 68-74.

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(OCT. 22) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Baltimore Gas & Elect	Q	.52 1/2	1-2	12-10
Bank South Corp	Q	.13	1-1	12-14
Bergen Brunswig cl A	Q	.10	12-1	11-1
Dentrex Corp	Q	.30	12-28	12-14
General Signal	Q	.45	1-2	12-10
Knape & Vogt Mfg	Q	.14	12-7	11-23
May Department Stores	Q	.39 1/2	12-1	11-15
PPG Industries	Q	.08	8-27	8-13
Sea Containers Ltd	Q	.35	11-21	11-5
Tasty Baking Co	Q	.17 1/2	11-30	11-2
Union Planters	Q	.12	11-16	11-2
Utd Carolina Bkshs	Q	.15	11-8	10-31
Watts Indus cl-A	Q	.05	12-14	11-30
Williams (WW) Co	Q	.17	11-16	11-2
Willmington Trust	Q	.36	11-15	11-15

A-Annual; M-Monthly; Q-Quarterly; S- Semi-Annual

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(OCT. 22) UPI - Both sides are putting on their best public face as the budget crisis heads toward a Wednesday deadline to come up with an acceptable deficit reduction package or watch the government close down again. Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell is playing down any ideas of an impass. And budget director Richard Darman sounded an optimistic leaving the Capitol this morning while admitting there are ''large areas'' of disagreement.

Sailors from U-S and Australian frigates are aboard an Iraqi freighter in the Gulf of Oman today. The blockade runner, carrying iron pipes and plywood, was first boarded Saturday by sailors from the destroyer U-S-S O'Brien. At the time, the captain promised to return to Iraq. The boarding party left and the

ship continued on its way. Australian and U-S vessels closed in on the ship today and sent a multi- national force aboard.

Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath reportedly is trying to further woo Iraq into releasing an unspecified number of British hostages. The B-B-C says Heath, who is in Baghdad on an unofficial humanitarian mission, is seekingto meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. Heath was to announce this morning the number of Britons to be freed following Iraqi assurances yesterday. But there are indications now that snags may have arisen in Heath's efforts to free the hostages.

A general strike is under way in Lebanon as Lebanese Christians mourn the death of Dany Chamoun, a staunch supporter of deposed Christian General Michel Aoun. Chamoun, his wife and two young sons were gunned down by unidentified assassins yesterday. Witnesses say the country's one-Million Christians stayed home today, shutting down all businesses- except bakeries, pharmacies and hospitals- in and around east Beirut.

The nation's big cities were a lot less safe to live in during the first half of the year. The F-B-I is out with a new report showing murders up 20 percent in the first six months, pushing overall violent crime ahead by eight percent. New York City recorded one-thousand murders in the first half of the year, up from 837. Los Angeles had 449 murders for the first half, up from 414.

The eight-thousand physicians attending a convention of the American Society of Anesthesiologists in Las Vegas are getting their first look at a new painkiller that may help many patients. The synthetic chemical, Toradol, helps ease pain for accident victims or surgery patients like morphine, but it has NONE of the narcotic side effects. It is already available for use in Italy and applications are pending in 20 other countries.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 22) UPI - African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela and rival Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi will meet ''in the near future'' in an effort to end political violence in the country, the ANC announced Monday.

The announcement by the ANC's National Executive Committee represented a further moderation of ANC policy after months of resistance to such a meeting on the grounds it would give Buthelezi allegedly unwarranted recognition as a major political player.

It also comes prior to full-blown power-sharing negotiations between black leaders and the white government and follows an appeal last week from Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu for a strategy summit among blacks before the talks actually begin.

An ANC statement said the meeting between Buthelezi, leader of the Inkatha movement, and Mandela, deputy president of the ANC, was approved during a two-day meeting of the NEC and the ANC's internal leadership group that ended Friday.

In apparent reference to ongoing negotiations in Natal province to settle the bloody conflict between supporters of the ANC and Inkatha, the statement said the ANC executives ''welcomed the steps being taken jointly by the ANC and the Inkatha Freedom Party.''

''It is further agreed that a meeting of the National Executive Committee of the ANC and the Central Committee of the Inkatha Freedom Party be held in the near future, with the participation of Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi and Nelson Mandela, to strengthen the efforts aimed at ending the violence,'' it said.

Violence that exploded in Natal province in 1987 between supporters of the two movements has left up to 4,000 dead.

It spread in August to black townships surrounding Johannesburg in the worst wave of urban black violence in the country's history and killed nearly 800 people in six weeks. The ANC blamed a ''third force'' within the South African security establishment for stirring the unrest and attempting to create tribal conflict between Xhosa members of the ANC and Zulus in Inkatha.

After his release from 27 years imprisonment in February, Mandela agreed to a meeting with Buthelezi in Natal, but key ANC officials forced its cancellation.

Senior ANC officials argued that until local cease-fires were in place a meeting between Buthelezi and Mandela would produce only political benefits for the Zulu leader and give the impression of weakness on the part of the ANC.

In September, as the death toll in the urban violence soared, the ANC began to moderate its policy and the movement invited Buthelezi to attend a summit of leaders of self-governing black homelands.

Buthelezi, chief minister of the Zulu territories in Natal, refused on the grounds he should meet Mandela directly as leader of a political movement, not a homeland.

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#90295u1223 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (OCT. 22) UPI - The last five of eight German nationals allowed to leave Iraq arrived in Frankfurt Monday amid sharp allegations of government inaction to help Germans in Iraq and Kuwait.

Former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt meanwhile was to meet with the

Iraqi ambassador late Monday to discuss a possible visit by Brandt to Iraq.

Upon their arrival at Frankfurt airport Monday, the five Germans urged Brandt to go to Iraq.

''There's no reason not to deal with the government in Iraq about the release of hostages,'' said Horst Kaempfer, one of the five.

Three other Germans released over the weekend returned to Frankfurt Sunday.

Iraqi president Saddam Hussein is holding Western hostages, mostly men, at key military and economic facilities to guard against attack by a U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the Persian Gulf after Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

The freed Germans have said they strongly support a letter to German Chancellor Helmut Kohl from the estimated 400 Germans still in Iraq and Kuwait urging Kohl to do more for the release of the hostages.

The Germans being held in Iraq sent Kohl a letter over the weekend, saying ''We expect (Germany) to do what other countries do and that is visits, visits and again visits - no matter if the visitors are parliamentarians, business leaders, union officials, church leaders or public persons.''

Kohl responded to the letter by saying ''every possible opportunity is being used'' to secure the release of the hostages.

Government speaker Hans Klein said Monday the government continues to support the U.N. resolution which calls for the complete withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the release of all foreign nationals.

He said those were the conditions for talks with Iraq, but added the government was doing all it could to help the hostages.

''Ever since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, we have been trying to secure the release of German citizens from Iraq and Kuwait,'' he said.

But the released Germans in Frankfurt said they were concerned that the situation for those still held in Iraq and Kuwait was rapidly deteriorating.

''The people there are very nervous,'' said Kaempfer. ''They want to get out and be together with their families again.''

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TOKYO (OCT. 22) UPI - U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia may soon be able to listen to something more than the desert winds.

Japan plans to send 40,000 Walkman-type cassette players to the troops as part of its aid to the multinational forces in the Persian Gulf region, The Japan Times reported Monday.

The tape players will be sent to the Saudi capital of Riyadh between Oct. 29 and Nov. 5 and distributed to soldiers in the country, the English-language daily said.

Supplying the tape players was the Japanese government's idea rather than a response to a U.S. request, the newspaper said. The equipment is part of Japan's $2 billion commitment to aid the multinational forces in the region.

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#90295u1231 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

HINESVILLE, GA (OCT. 22) UPI - Opponents no longer snicker when the Fort Stewart Steelers and a couple of their moms take the field.

There had been plenty of stares, smirks and visions of easy victory from opposing sidelines at the beginning of the football season, however, when two new assistant coaches joined the squad of 8- and 9- year-old boys. However, a 5-1 record has erased the smirks and deflated premature predictions of victory.

The Steelers were a bit dubious themselves about the team's chances, since their rookie coaches had no experience and a limited knowledge of football.

Tibby Smith and Charlotte Clabough of Hinesville volunteered their services when the Army's 24th Infantry Mechanized Division, based at Fort Stewart, was deployed to Saudia Arabia, leaving Steelers Coach Larry Cutchens without male assistants. Both Smith and Clabough have sons on the Steelers squad so they volunteered.

''When we came out here they (the players) thought we didn't know anything about football because we're girls,'' said Clabough, whose football knowledge was limited to ''a little neighborhood'' playing when she was a child.

Smith is an avid fan of ABC's ''Monday Night Football'' but had never coached. Still, the rookies were undaunted by their lack of experience, and gradually won the players' respect.

''The boys made some sly remarks to them and about them at first. But they've definitely won their confidence,'' Cutchens said.

''Now we've gotten their approval - even the ones who were the most against us '' Clabough said.

It hasn't been easy, however. Smith and Clabough had to learn a few basics.

''When they're on offense they aren't supposed to use their hands,'' Smith said. ''But, after a play I'd say, 'How come you're not tackling them?' And (the player would) give me this funny look and say, 'Because I'm on offense.'''

Clabough said she and Smith have been accepted by players' parents, but they have endured disapproval and derision from opposing coaches who ''looked at us like they thought we didn't belong there.''

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#90295u1253 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

DANBURY, Conn. (OCT. 22) UPI - Union Carbide Corp., hurt by reduced selling prices and higher feedstock costs, Monday reported third-quarter earnings fell 35 percent to $91 million from $139 million in the same quarter last year.

Quarterly earnings per share were 62 cents, down from 95 cents a year ago.

Revenues in the latest quarter rose 3 percent to $2.20 billion from $2.14 billion.

Chairman Robert D. Kennedy said improved chemicals and plastics sales volumes, feedstock flexibility and continued strong performance of the company's industrial gases business helped mitigate the initial effect of rapidly rising oil prices.

He said the company is pleased with the results considering market conditions and the rapid rise in feedstock costs. But additional feedstock cost increases coupled with general economic weakness, will result in further pressures on margins and the need for continuing controls on capital spending and costs, he noted.

The company said the latest earnings per share reflected costs associated with an August power outage at Union Carbide's Taft, La., site, estimated at 4 cents.

Industrial gases operations continued to perform well above the prior year's levels.

Operations in Brazil contributed 9 cents a share to third-quarter earnings, the same as in the 1989 quarter but above the 3 cents a share earned in the 1990 second quarter.

Latest-quarter earnings also included a non-recurring gain of 14 cents a share from the sale of Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc.'s polysilicon business to Komatsu Electronic Metals Co. Ltd. This was partially offset by non-recurring charges totaling 7 cents associated with several cost-reduction programs.

Last year's third-quarter earnings included a net non-recurring gain of 5 cents a share.

For the nine months, earnings totaled $301 million, or $2.05 a share, on revenues of $6.51 billion, down from $526 million, or $3.59 a share, earned on revenues of $6.66 billion in the 1989 period.

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#90295u1274 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) UPI - House and Senate negotiators, ending four months of often heated haggling, reached final agreement Monday on a compromise clean air bill that would cut acid rain, urban smog and toxic air pollution from factories.

The final pieces of the mammoth bill were put in place early Monday morning following virtually round-the-clock negotiations over the weekend that settled House and Senate differences over acid rain control.

The entire clean air package now must be approved by the House and Senate before going to President Bush, who kicked off congressional debate in June 1989 by proposing a comprehensive clean air plan. The House and Senate earlier this year approved their versions, setting up the negotiations.

The compromise bill is expected to get speedy approval, though there have been some rumors that a few Senate Republicans might attempt a filibuster to block the measure.

The clean air negotiators smoothed out the last wrinkle in the package early Monday morning when they agreed to retain a modified version of a plan by Rep. Robert Wise, D-W.Va., to provide extended unemployment aid to workers who lose their jobs due to pollution reduction requirements imposed by the bill.

Wise's plan is primarily aimed at helping the thousands of Eastern coal miners expected to be thrown out of work by acid rain controls. Those requirements will make it harder for power plants to burn high- sulfur coal mined mostly in already economically ailing Appalachian states.

Under the five-year, $250 million compromise plan, workers will be able to stay on unemployment beyond their normal six-month allotment as long as they enter a job retraining program by the 13th week of receiving benefits.

Bush strongly opposed the unemployment proposal on the grounds it was too expensive and administration officials repeatedly warned congressional leaders the president might veto the clean air bill unless Wise's plan was taken out.

Aides to key negotiators said the White House had agreed to the compromise

plan, which was seen as less costly than Wise's original proposal. Wise initially called for six months additional unemployment aid for all affected workers, with no requirement for entering retraining.

However, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said that while the administration was ''very pleased'' by the tentative clean air agreement, Bush remained opposed to the Wise amendment.

Fitzwater said Bush at this point was not threatening to veto the bill over the issue and hoped to work out ''an acceptable provision'' with congressional leaders. ''We'll have to see how it comes out,'' Fitzwater said.

Only hours after the compromise was reached on the Wise proposal, the completion of the clean air package was announced on the House floor by Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich.

Dingell, chairman of the House clean air negotiators, said the bill's impact would reach far beyond its estimated price tag of at least $25 billion a year in additional pollution control costs for industry.

''This is a historic piece of legislation,'' said Dingell, chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee. ''It is the most complex, comprehensive and far-reaching piece of environmental law this Congress has ever considered.

''It is going to affect virtually every activity. And even if we have done things right it is going to change the behavior of the people of this country.''

Dingell noted the bill was the product of thousands of hours of deliberations among lawmakers and the focus of intense lobbying campaigns by almost every major industry, ranging from automakers to oil companies to utilities.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine, who tussled with Dingell over auto emission controls, also hailed the compromise as ''a significant achievement'' and said: ''I am very pleased at the outcome. I am very supportive of the proposed agreement.''

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#90295u1296 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and

mediums 75-78.

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#90295u1338 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (OCT. 22) UPI - Israeli authorities barred West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians from entering Jerusalem Monday to prevent revenge attacks on Arabs following the stabbing deaths Sunday of three Israelis.

Jerusalem was relatively quiet Monday except for a knife attack by an Arab on Israeli worker and isolated minor incidents. As a third stabbing victim from Sunday was buried, an additional 2,000 police patrolled streets and major intersections to prevent Jewish crowds from attacking Arab-owned cars.

Two Palestinian teenagers from the occupied West Bank died Monday of gunshot wounds and at least nine others were wounded in clashes with soliders, Palestinian source said.

Overnight the army sealed the West Bank home of Omar Abu Sirhan, 19, who is accused of fatally stabbing three Israelis Sunday in the West Jerusalem neighborhood of Baka.

Police said Sirhan, a construction worker from Abbadiyeh village near Bethlehem, allegedly carried out the killings in revenge for the deaths of at least 20 Arabs killed by police during riots on the Temple Mount Oct. 8. A court ordered Sirhan held for 15 days for further investigation.

After the eruption of anti-Arab attacks in the wake of the Baka stabbings, Police Commissioner Ya'acov Terner ordered that Palestinians from the territories be prohibited from entering Jerusalem indefinitely. The army closed off Abbadiyeh village to prevent attacks on residents.

Arab-owned vehicles from the territories were turned back at checkpoints on the outskirts of Jerusalem. Police patrols were increased in markets and other places crowds gathered.

The funeral of Shalom Chelouche, 28, a police cadet killed trying to apprehend the knife-wielding assailant, took place Monday without incident, but some mourners cried out, ''Until when will this go on?''

Chelouche's death has stirred up a controversy over whether denunciations of police behavior during the Temple Mount riots have inhibited officers from using their weapons in life-threatening situations. The cadet shot the assailant twice in the legs before he was stabbed to death.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir told a closed meeting of the Parliament's Defense and Foreign Affairs Committee that no one who had killed in an act of self-defense had been put on trial, Army Radio reported.

Shamir said the Baka stabbings were the result of incitement in the Arab world and the illusion that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would bring salvation to Arabs.

"This is not the first time there have been attacks on Jews in Jerusalem. This is also not the first time that there have been political attacks outside of Jerusalem and outside of Israel,'' he later told the radio in an apparent reference to recent international criticism over Israel's handling of Palestinian violence.

''We stood up and got over it, and this time we will stand up and get over it '' he said.

In Jerusalem's Neve Ya'acov neighborhood, a Jewish supermarket worker was stabbed and lightly wounded by an Arab co-worker who then escaped, police said. The Arab used a bayonet as did the assailant in Sunday's attack.

In the Gaza Strip, two soldiers were slightly wounded in separate attacks that followed the Baka killings. One soldier was struck with a knife and the other an ax.

In the West Bank town of Jenin, Mahmoud Lahluh, 14, was shot in the chest during clashes with the army, Palestinian sources said. He was pronounced dead at Afula Hospital. The army was investigating the death. At least nine Arabs were wounded in Jenin, which was put under curfew along with the adjacent Jenin refugee camp, the sources said.

In East Jerusalem's Mokassed Hospital, Mohammed Abu Aker, 19, died from gunshot wounds he received in August 1988 during clashes with soldiers in the Dehesheh refugee camp, the army said.

The stabbing deaths of the three Israelis raised fears of increased violence in Jerusalem and calls for stepped up security to prevent attacks.

Maj. Gen. Ehud Barak, deputy chief of staff, said Monday those responsible for the killings would have to pay a price.

''It is important that we repeat to ourselves ... that we are in a bitter, long struggle with the Palestinians,'' Barak said during a ceremony honoring former Defense Minister Moshe Dayan.

Religious Affairs Minister Avner Shaki proposed making possession of knife by an Arab or Jews a criminal offense.

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#90295u1365 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

SOFIA, BULGARIA (OCT. 22) UPI - Demand for U.S. visas has soared in Bulgaria since the overthrow of the hard-line communist government in November, and so has the number of scams by con artists who promise immigration papers for a hefty fee.

Students and young adults lured by better living standards in the West sometimes shell out the equivalent of thousands of dollars for phony travel documents. Most victims end up poorer and wiser but no closer to their dream of U.S. citizenship, officials said.

The sharp rise in visa requests has been documented by the U.S. Embassy in Sofia, which has witnessed a 300 percent increase in applications in the past year, according to First Secretary Philip Egger.

In November 1989, when hard-line leader Todor Zhivkov was toppled, 413 requests for non-immigrant visas were processed and 384 were granted, Egger said. In September 1990, there were 1,169 visa requests, nearly one-third of which were denied.

''The Bulgarian government used to do most of our screening for us before granting a Bulgarian a foreign travel passport,'' Egger said, explaining why proportionally more visa requests are being denied.

Most of the denials are based on a clause in the U.S. immigration code that compels the applicant to prove he intends to return to the country of orgin.

But several dozen other requests each month are denied because of a 1952 statute that prohibits issuing visas to members of the Communist Party, Egger said.

The official said embassy staff sometimes become inadvertently involved in immigration scams, some of which are quite comlex.

In a recent case, a married couple from Lebanon were approached at the Sofia airport by another Lebanese national who promised to arrange visas to travel to the United States for $1,800.

The con man took the wife to meet Egger at the U.S. Embassy, claiming that he was an American citizen who had been robbed of his passport, travelers' checks and all other documents. The man asked for a new passport and a visa for the woman, who he identified as his sister.

The Lebanese couple went to the embassy the next day after being assured by the con man that the travel documents would be ready for them. But the embassy staff, in the meantime, had discovered the citizenship claim was false. The couple never saw the con man or their money again.

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TORONTO (OCT. 22) UPI - Chrysler Canada Ltd. made a monetary offer Monday to the Canadian Auto Workers union, meeting earlier settlements reached in talks with Ford and General Motors, union officials said.

Union President Bob White said the offer ''clearly indicates that they are going to meet the pattern established at Ford and General Motors.''

''There really should not be a strike at Chrysler Canada,'' White said. The union has set midnight Thursday at its deadline for a deal with Chrysler.

Chrysler's top negotiator Ken Francese told reporters after emerging from a main table bargaining session with the union that, ''I think we've made a proposal to them which is both timely and responsive.''

Francese, who is Chrysler Canada's vice-president of human resources, also said he expected the talks to be wrapped-up before the deadline.

White said although there were some numbers missing from the offer, ''we are not going to have to fight about the basic economics.''

The pattern includes wage increases of 3 percent in the first year and 2 percent in each of the second and third years, improved cost-of- living protection, an annual $425 vacation bonus and more time off the job.

Francese said the company was waiting for the union's response to its offer and that the talks would move ahead at the sub-committee and local issue levels.

Neither White nor Francese provided any details of the offer.

White said the two sides needed to deal with a number of locals issues including transfers, seniority and production standards.

The merging of two assembly plants in Brampton, Ontario, also required further discussion, White said.

In Brampton, Chrysler assembles its Eagle Premier and Dodge Monaco passenger cars and Jeep YJ and Wrangler models at two separate facilities. Both passenger models and the Jeep versions are to be phased out in the coming years.

Chrylser then will close one plant and combine the work force in the underutilized Bramalea plant where the company will build its new L/H mid-size car platform, beginning in the fall of 1992.

''There are still a lot of issues to be resolved,'' White said. ''But there

are no issues that should take the negotiations in the ditch.''

Chrysler Canada Ltd. employs about 11,300 CAW members in Ontario, principally at four assembly plants in Windsor and Brampton, a trim plant in Ajax and a castings facility in Etobicoke.

The Windsor assembly plants produce Chrysler's top-selling mini-vans - the Dodge Caravan and Plymouth Voyager MagicWagons - and full-size Dodge Ram vans and wagons.

The pattern settlement was reached with Ford Motor Co. of Canada after a 9-day strike by about 13,000 autoworkers in September. GM of Canada met the pattern and averted a strike by its 36,500 CAW members earlier this month.

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LONDON (OCT. 22) UPI - Stock prices on the London International Stock Exchange closed higher Monday in moderate trading as investors reacted to Britain's best monthly trade deficit figures in a year and to lower oil prices.

Stocks eased slightly in Frankfurt.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 6.4 points Friday, tacked on another 13.0 points to 2,201.0. The narrower top 30 industrial average added 12.1 points to 1,633.6.

Volume amounted to around 336 million shares, down from the 465 million that changed hands on Friday.

Analysts said stocks moved higher as investors waded through key government reports on Britain's economy.

The Central Statistical Office reported Britain's merchandise trade balance narrowed last month because an unexpected surge in exports. The agency said Britain's trade deficit for September was $1.6 billion on a seasonally adjusted basis, a drop from a $2.3 billion gap in August.

The latest figures, which were the lowest so far this year, compared with market expectations of a deficit of around $2.6 billion and proved good news for the market, pushing stocks higher.

Market analysts said the robust export performance indicated British products remain competitive.

Export value totaled $8.8 million in September, a 2.5 percent improvement over the previous month's figure, despite the strength of the British pound against other currencies before its entry to the European exchange rate mechanism

earlier this month, the government said.

Meanwhile, the Central Statistical Office reported Britain's longer leading cyclical index eased marginally in August from July, continuing a decline that has been more or less steady since April 1988.

The index, which indicates turning points in Britain's economic activity about a year in advance, was a provisional 93.7 in August vs. a revised 93.8 in July.

The index's decline flattened in the second half of 1989 on the back of growth in share prices and improved company results. But since the start of this year falling stock prices and a decline in company profitability has caused the index to continue easing.

Some profit taking surfaced late in the London session, but the continued decline in the price of oil on global markets enabled stocks to hold onto gains despite a shaky early performance on Wall Street.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Anglian Water gained 8 cents to $4.33 and Northumberland Water gained 12 cents to $4.48.

Highland Distilleries gained 6 cents to $4.40 on a favorable comment from the whiskey producer.

But media group Reuters slipped 15 cents $13.22 amid cautious comments from local brokers.

Imperial Chemical Industries gained 19 cents to $15.83 on news it bought outthe other 50 percent interest in paint company Tioxide.

On the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, the key 30-stock German stock index, which gained 12.02 points Friday, slipped 7.58 points to 1,482.09.

Market watchers said stocks eased amid profit taking following last week's gains.

On the economic front, five leading German economic research institutes said in their annual report that Germany's economic growth will slow down in upcoming years because the economy will be burdened by the costs of German unification.

The report said that the growth of Germany's gross national product will slip to a worse-than-expected 1.5 percent in 1991 from an annual average of 2 percent to 3 percent, while unemployment will jump to 10 percent from an average of 6 percent this year.

The report sharply contradicted government forecasts that the German economy will continue to grow at an annual rate ranging between 2 percent and 3

percent.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 22) UPI - General Mills' board of directors Monday approved plans to construct a new breakfast cereal manufacturing plant in Albuquerque, N.M.

The plant will be General Mills' eighth major domestic packaged foods plant and the company's first in the Southwest.

Site preparation for the plant was expected to begin late this year, subject to completion of real estate transactions, issuance of industrial revenue bonds, an environmental audit and other conditions.

The plant will be part of General Mills' plans to invest $1.65 billion in new fixed assets during the next three years to support continued growth in the company's packaged consumer foods and restaurant businesses.

''General Mills' packaged foods volume has been growing at a significantly faster rate than the food industry as a whole,'' said Mark Willes, president of General Mills. ''In order to continue to grow rapidly and meet our customers' needs, we must increase our capacity to produce cereals and other food products.''

Over the past decade the company's dollar share of the $7 billion ready-to-eat breakfast cereal market has increased by five percentage points to an all-time record of more than 27 percent.

General Mills opened a new cereal plant last spring in Covington, Ga., to service its growing southeastern markets. The plant will produce Big G breakfast cereals for distribution primarily in the Southwest. When in full operation, the facility will employ about 130 people.

In addition to its new plant in Georgia, General Mills operates major domestic package foods manufacturing facilities in Lodi, Calif.; Cedar Rapids, Iowa; South Chicago and West Chicago, Ill.; Toledo, Ohio; and Buffalo, N.Y.

General Mills had sales of $6.5 billion in the fiscal year ended May 1990, with consumer packaged foods accounting for about two-thirds of those sales. Besides breakfast cereals, the company's major food lines include Betty Crocker dessert and side dish mixes, Gold Medal flour, Bisquick baking mix, Hamburger and Tuna Helpers, Fruit Corners fruit snacks, Pop Secret microwave popcorn, Gorton's seafoods and Yoplait yogurt. The company also operates more than 750 Red Lobster and The Olive Garden restaurants in the United States, Canada and Japan.

General Mills employs about 100,000 people worldwide.

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MINEOLA, NY (OCT. 22) UPI - A Long Island construction worker whose car killed a bride, groom and best man on the way to their wedding reception was denied a request for parole, officials said Monday.

Nassau County District Attorney Denis Dillon said the state Parole Board met with Vincent Laezza, 23, on Oct. 11 but gave no reason for denying his application for release. The board ruled that Laezza cannot again be considered for release until November 1992, Dillon said.

Laezza, of Selden, was allegedly drag racing on April 3, 1987, when his high-powered Buick plowed into a stretch limousine making a left turn into a Lido Beach catering hall where the wedding reception was to be held.

Killed in the crash were the bride, Carol Zagorski Phillips, 24, the groom, Peter Phillips, 27, and his brother, John, 29, who was best man.

The maid of honor, Debra Zagorski, 23, survived but suffered disabling injuries.

Laezza has served two years of a two and one-third to seven-year sentence for his 1988 conviction on three counts of criminally negligent homicide and one count of assault.

Dillon noted that he sent a letter to the Parole Board last June expressing opposition to Laezza' application for release on parole.

''Barring any changes in the circumstances of Laezza's detention, he should be denied any consideration, regarding parole, at any time prior to the expiration of the maximum sentence,'' Dillon said.

Dillon said the facts that brought about the conviction of Laezza in September 1988 ''were one of the most tragic that my office has experienced.''

''At the time of the impact, Mr. Laezza's vehicle was travelling at speeds in excess of 100 miles per hour,'' Dillon said.

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GBARNGA, LIBERIA (OCT. 22) UPI - Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor has vowed to fight on against rival guerrillas and West African soldiers, whom he claimed receive medical treatment and military intelligence from the United States.

Taylor, speaking Sunday during the induction of a rebel national assembly that has declared him president, also warned that the turmoil in Liberia would divide West African nations if a solution was not reached soon.

Heavily armed young fighters of Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia wandered among the crowd listening to his speech in the town of Gbarnga, which the NPFL has made its capital after failing to take Monrovia.

The 5,000-strong West African peacekeeping force that arrived Aug. 24 has pushed Taylor's forces about 20 miles out of Monrovia and created a buffer zone between them and warring guerrillas backing rival rebel leader Prince Johnson and remnants of the army of President Samuel Doe, who was killed Sept. 9.

Taylor said he would continue to battle other guerrillas and the five-nation peacekeeping force sent by the Economic Community of West African States. He blamed some of his recent defeats on assistance he alleges the United States has given his opponents.

''The force from the states of Nigeria, Ghana, Guinea, Gambia and Sierra Leone has killed hundreds of Liberian men, women and children and destroyed homes and property. Today, the killing and destruction continue,'' he said.

''The sole objective of these bandits is to forcibly impose a government formed by Liberians who have played no part whatsoever in the people's uprising against the tyrant Doe, nor have shown any sympathy for those who fell victim to Doe's atrocities,'' Taylor said.

Taylor claimed the United States was treating wounded members of the peacekeeping force on its Navy ships that have been sailing off the Liberian coast for six months.

He also claimed the Central Intelligence Agency was providing ECOWAS with information on the location of his forces. U.S. aircraft are reported to have made reconnaissance flights over Liberia from Freetown, the capital of neighboring Sierra Leone.

Taylor said he believed U.S.-provided intelligence led to an ECOWAS bombing of his captured radio station near Monrovia in August.

Churchmen and civilians in their Sunday best heard Taylor reaffirm his commitment to elections within a year, for which foreign organizations would be granted observer status.

Although personal animosities belie any attempt to reconcile the warring factions, the polling issue is the main outward stumbling block to a peace settlement in Liberia, which has been at war since December.

Johnson believes an interim government created and protected by ECOWAS should plan the elections to deprive any contestants of an unfair advantage.

Taylor acknowledged he could rig an election if he wished, and for that reason encourages the presence of foreign observers.

''They can put the ballot boxes in army tanks if they want, just to ensure that they are not meddled with,'' he said.

Taylor also accused the head of the ECOWAS-sponsored interim government, Amos Sawyer, of not being a ''true-born'' Liberian. Taylor, too, has lived out of the country, spending 10 years in the United States.

Taylor and a five-man delegation have pledged to attend peace talks sponsored by ECOWAS in the Gambian capital, Banjul, Oct. 29. But the rebel chief said they would only be there ''to listen'' because ECOWAS has no mandate to involve itself in the internal affairs of member states or send ''volunteer killers'' to other countries.

Taylor said he believed ECOWAS, the largest and most important regional group in West Africa, was splintering because of its involvement in Liberia.

''I think ECOWAS is finished,'' he said.

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OMAHA (OCT. 22) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 2,000; trading on slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, prices both classes steady with last week; slaughter cows 1.00-2.00 lower; not enough slaughter bulls to establish a market; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-3 few 4s 1075-1350 lb 77.00-78.50, bulk 77.50-78.00, 3 loads 79.00, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 75.50- 77.50, select 73.00-75.00; holsteins select and choice No 2-3 1200-1450 lb 69.50-71.00; heifers choice No 2-3, few 4s 950-1200 lb 77.00-78.50, bulk 77.50-78.00, 2 loads 79.00, select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 75.50-77.00, select 72.00-75.00; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 boning 48.00-50.00, low to average cutter 45.00-48.00.

Hogs 2,200; butchers 50-1.00 lower, No 1-3 220-270 lb 57.50-58.25, numerous 230-260 lb 58.00-58.25; sows 15 percent, firm to 2.00 higher, over 500 lb often at full advance, No 1-3 350-500 lb 48.50-49.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 51.50-53.00, mostly 52.50-53.00.

Sheep 200, slaughter lambs steady to weak; ewes steady; shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 100-130 lb No 1-2 pelts 50.00-51.00, weights exceeding 130 lb

encountering price pressure; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 110-130 lb 48.00-49.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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SAO PAULO, Brazil (OCT. 22) UPI - Pressure by environment-conscious buyers is slashing Brazil's wood exports as the destruction of the Amazon rain forest gains international opposition, an industry report released Monday said.

In the period between January and August of this year, wood exports from companies in Para and Amapa states fell 15 percent over the same period last year, according to the association of exporters of the two states. The states together account for 70 percent of the wood sold from the Amazon region.

''The importers do not want to participate in the destruction of the Amazon,'' Danilo Remor, president of the exporters' group, told the Folha de Sao Paulo newspaper.

Criticizing the drop in demand as uncalled-for, he said the exporters suffered a loss of $20 million in the period. He did not release figures on the amount of wood sold.

The United States and England are the largest consumers of Brazilian wood.

The figures, though not endorsed by the government, follow a trend in dropping sales of Amazon wood. According to the Brazilian Institute of Environment and Natural Resources, 1.3 million tons of wood were exported from the Amazon region in 1988, compared to 962,500 tons the following year.

Brazil, with the largest remaining tropical forest area, is also the world's largest destroyer of rain forests, according to U.N. statistics. The losses are due mostly to the timber industry and to clearing of forested areas for livestock grazing.

Remor told Folha that efforts by the timber industry have resulted in less damage to the rain forest, with most of the trees cut by a process called selective logging, which takes only a few trees from each area so as not to destroy the ecology of the region.

Environmentalists have claimed that selective logging, however, is also destructive because most of the timber companies do it in a wreckless manner, damaging and falling other trees in the process.

Remor said wood importers have turned their business to countries likeBolivia, Indonesia, Malaysia and several African countries, where worldattention and environmentalist pressure is less.

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BUFFALO, NY (OCT. 22) UPI - Twelve years after buried toxic chemicals were found seeping from the supposedly sealed Love Canal, the question of liability for one of the nation's most costly environmental mishaps will be argued in a Buffalo courtroom.

U.S. District Judge John Curtin will begin hearing testimony Wednesday in New York state's $665 million damage suit against Occidental Chemical Corp. for punitive damages in the dumping of 21,800 tons of toxins - including deadly dioxin - at Love Canal in the 1940s and 1950s.

Curtin has already found Occidental, which acquired the Hooker Chemical & Plastics Corp. in 1968, liable for creating a public nuisance at Love Canal, a 16-acre site which was sealed with a clay cap and sold for $1 to the Niagara Falls Board of Education in 1953.

Homes and a school were later built atop the landfill, and the buried chemicals began oozing from the ground.

The state and federal governments declared a state of emergency at Love Canal in August 1978, leading to the immediate, permanent relocation of 237 families living along the canal and the evacuation of 1,000 additional families from the surrounding area over a three-year period.

Structures that were built in the neighborhood have since been leveled, and the governments have built a containment facility to halt the further spread of chemicals from the site.

The first handful of some 200 homes located in an area surrounding the immediate dump site were put up for resale in August.

The state is seeking $250 million from Occidental as punishment for the chemical dumping, $250 million in reimbursement for destruction of natural resources in the Niagara Falls area, and $165 million for creating a ''private nuisance'' and to cover the costs of cleaning up the site.

''This case has great potential to alert the business community to the importance of handling hazardous wastes,'' said Eugene Martin-Leff, assistant state attorney general. ''Love Canal is so well known that any decision or award will be seen nationally as very significant.''

Thomas Truitt, Washington trial attorney representing Occidental in the case, terms the lawsuit ''highly unusual.''

The chemical firm claims it should not be held liable for the problems at Love

Canal because Hooker Chemical had warned the School Board about the chemicals dumped there, and has filed its own lawsuits in the case against the state and federal governments, the city of Niagara Falls and the School Board.

''As far as punitive damages are concerned, this is an unprecedented case,'' Truitt said. ''The state is bringing a quasi-criminal action against Occidental for events that took place 40 years ago.''

''It's the first case we know of in which a state is seeking punitive damages for a set of circumstances like this,'' he added.

The case, which could take up to a year to hear, will likely get the attention of both environmentalists and the chemical industry.

''Love Canal has become the symbol of environmental problems in America and everyone is watching this case,'' said Lois Gibbs, head of the Citizens Clearinghouse for Hazardous Wastes in Arlington, Va., and a former Love Canal resident who spearheaded the effort to get residents relocated from the area.

''All the chemical companies and polluters are watching it, too, because the verdict could determine how they will handle cases pending against them,'' she said.

''Love Canal has always been a case that sets national precedents,'' Gibbs added, ''and this trial will be no different.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - One of the youths accused in the gang rape and beating of a woman jogger in Central Park broke down at his trial Monday, pounding his head with his fist and howling, ''I can't take it - No, no, no, no!''

As the final juror filed out of the courtroom during a recess, Kharey Wise, 18 jerked forward in his seat vomited on the floor of state Supreme Court in Manhattan. Four court officers rushed to surround him when he sobbed and cried out, ''I can't take it - No, no, no, no.''

With his lawyer, Colin Moore, trying to calm him, Wise howled, ''Tell the jury this is wrong. It's not right. That woman is lying!''

The dramatic outburst came moments after Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer in her opening statement told the jury that Wise and his co-defendant Kevin Richardson, 16, had led police to the scene of the April 19, 1989 attack.

Justice Thomas Galligan had just excused the jury for a short recess when Wise lost control.

Later, Richardson's lawyer, Howard Diller, asked the judge to declare a mistrial, describing Wise as ''foaming at the mouth.'' He claimed four or five jurors were still in the courtroom when it began, but the prosecution team maintains the entire jury panel was out of the room.

Galligan refused to grant a mistrial but warned Wise that another hysterical outburst would cost him a seat at his own trial.

''If you make continued outbursts you will be removed from the court and the case will be continued without you to your disadvantage and to the disadvantage of your attorney,'' Galligan told Wise.

Throughout Lederer's opening statement, Wise shook his head and mumbled to himself.

She told the four-man, eight-woman jury, ''You will learn that on the night of April 19, 1989, approximately 30 young men went in to Central Park to beat to rob, and to attack anyone they met.''

Lederer reminded the panel that Wise and Richardson made written and videotaped statements to police in which they admitted being involved in the attack in which the woman was gang raped, bashed into unconsciousness with a metal pipe and a rock and left for dead in a muddy gully.

Lederer also confirmed that the 30-year-old woman herself will tell the jury ''that on that night her life was changed forever. She will describe for you how she suffers from double vision, that because of the injuries she suffered that night she can no longer walk up and down stairs, she has permanent scarring on her face.''

Lederer told the panel that a pubic hair similar to that of the blonde jogger was found on Richardson's T-shirt. She also said head hair similar to that of the jogger was found on Richardson's underwear and jeans.

The testimony of the native of Upper St. Clair, Pa., whose name has not been widely published because of the nature of the crime, marked one of the most dramatic moments of the first trial in the highly publicized case.

That trial ended last summer in convictions for Yusef Salaam, Raymond Santana, and Antron McCray, all 16. Each is serving a 5- to- 10-year term in a juvenile jail.

A sixth youth, Steven Lopez, 16, was expected to be tried alone early next year.

In his opening statement, Diller told the jury that Richardson was merely a ''commentator'' in his videotaped statement, describing the crimes committed

by other youths. He said words included in Richardson's videotape - specifically ''male, female, east and west'' - were too sophisticated to be his own and were proof that police put words in his mouth.

Moore told the jury the prosecutor's preview of the case was ''an optical illusion,'' ''a conjurer's trick,'' and ''full of smoke and mirrors.''

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CAIRO, EGYPT (OCT. 22) UPI - Egypt slashed its oil prices $6 a barrel Monday, its largest reduction since the start of the Persian Gulf crisis, in response to world market conditions, the Middle East News agency reported.

The average price of Egyptian crude now stands at $26.30, MENA said.

MENA, a semi-official agency, quoted Hammad Ayoub, the vice-chairman of the state-owned General Petroleum Corporation, as saying the new reductions were taken ''in response to the current prices on the world (oil) market.''

Oil markets have witnessed a sharp reduction recently in response to what appears to be a desire to solve the Gulf crisis by peaceful means.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Citing a ''deterioting outlook for earnings,'' Moody's Investors Service Monday cut debt ratings for two of the nation's largest airlines.

Moody's said it downgraded ratings of the nation's second- and third- largest carriers in terms of revenue passenger miles - Fort Worth, Texas-based AMR Corp. and its American Airlines Inc. subsidiary and Atlanta-based Delta Air Lines Inc.

Meanwhile, Standard & Poor's Corp. announced it lowered Chicago-based Midway Airline Inc.'s rating on $54 million convertible exchangeable preferred stock.

Moody's said about $3.5 billion of long-term debt issued by AMR and American was affected by the downgrade, in anticipation of ''reduced financial flexibility in light of the outlook for lower earnings during a period of very substantial capital spending by the airline subsidary.''

The downgrade completes a review of the company that Moody's began Sept. 18.

The rating agency said ''a combination of higher cost for jet fuel and softer travel demand could have a serious adverse effect on AMR's cash flow in the near to intermediate term and comes at a time when the company is investing

heavily in the modernization and expansion of its airline fleet and the extension of its global route network.''

Moody's lowered AMR ratings on industrial revenue bonds and senior bonds to single-A3 from single-A2, on senior unsecured debt issues to Baa1 from single-A3 and on comercial paper to prime-2 from prime-1.

In addition, Moody's ordered downgrades for about $2.4 billion of Delta's long-term debt, ''reflecting the deteriorating outlook for earnings in light of the volatile and escalating cost of jet fuel.

Moody's said it lowered the No. 3 U.S. carrier's ratings because of a ''softening demand for domestic air travel and its continuing capital spending plans to expand in the U.S.''

As with AMR, Moody's said it ''expects Delta's future cash flow to be substantially reduced at a time when the company is investing heavily in the modernization and expansion of its airline fleet and adding foreign cities in Asia and Europe to its growing international route network.''

Moody's said it downgraded the following Delta's ratings: secured equipment certificates, to single-A2 from single-A1; senior unsecured debt issues and industrial revenue bonds, to single-A3 from single-A2; shelf registration, to prospective single-A3 from prospective single-A2; industrial revenue bonds, to Baa1 from single-A3; and commercial paper, to prime-2 from prime-1.

Meanwhile, S&P announced it lowered Midway's rating on the $54 million of preferred stock to triple-C from single-B-minus and removed the issue from its ''CreditWatch'' surveillance list, where it was placed July 10.

S&P said ''the downgrade reflects heavy losses since the company's October 1989 acquisition of certain ground facilities at Philadelphia International Airport, aircraft, takeoff and landing slots at LaGuardia and Washington's National airports and Canadian route authority from Eastern Air Lines.''

Competition and fare discounting have been intense over this period, and the company, like the rest of the airline industry, has undergone a severe impact from soaring fuel prices, S&P said.

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LUXEMBOURG (OCT. 22) UPI - The 12-nation European Community failed again Monday to agree on a plan to cut farm subsidies in hopes of salvaging four years of world trade talks.

EC foreign ministers, who hoped to finalize a proposal for talks on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, instead scheduled yet another meeting

for Friday, this one a joint session of agriculture and trade ministers.

''The Germans made clear they were not in a position to make any concessions today,'' said British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd, who was obviously annoyed at the continuing stalemate.

''The credibility of the Community is at stake'' in quickly agreeing on a GATT proposal, Hurd said.

Community farm ministers failed to reach agreement on subsidy cuts at three marathon meetings in the past two weeks.

EC heads of state meet Saturday in Rome, and the divisive issue will likely be the central topic.

The EC is already well past the Oct. 15 deadline for submitting agriculture proposals to the 105-nation GATT talks, which began in 1986 and are slated to end in just six weeks.

Substantial cuts in farm supports are crucial to the GATT talks' success, say U.S. officials, because developing countries will not otherwise agree to new trade rules on services, investment and intellectual property.

GATT currently covers only merchandise trade.

Several countries, led by France and Germany, rejected as too severe a plan by the EC executive Commission to slash subsidies by 30 percent in the decade ending in 1996.

The United States has proposed cutting agriculture supports by more than 75 percent by the year 2000, including a 90 percent cut in market- distorting export subsidies.

The United States says the EC Commission plan would mean cuts of only 10-15 percent from current levels.

The current round of GATT talks, known as the Uruguay Round, began at a Uruguayan resort in 1986 and are slated to conclude Dec. 8 in Brussels.

On other issues, the EC foreign ministers decided to forge closer relations with China and Vietnam, and dropped several sanctions imposed against China following the brutal suppression of pro-democracy demonstrations in June 1989.

''No useful purpose is served by reducing levels of contact between the West and China,'' Hurd said.

The EC agreed to reinstate high-level contacts with China and to resume scientific and cultural ties, but an embargo on arms sales remains in effect.

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SANTA ANA, CA (OCT. 22) UPI - A judge Monday rejected a surrogate's unprecedented claim to parenthood, calling her a ''genetic and hereditary stranger'' to the baby she bore for an infertile couple.

Superior Court Judge Richard Parslow, ruling after an emotional three-week hearing that may help legally redefine motherhood, concluded that surrogate mother Anna L. Johnson has no right to claim a role in the upbringing of the test-tube baby created from the egg and sperm of Crispina and Mark Calvert.

Johnson, in filing a lawsuit against the Calverts in August, became the first surrogate ever to seek parental rights to a baby with which she had no genetic link.

''I decline to split this child between two mothers,'' Parslow said in his ruling. The baby, he said, ''should be raised exclusively'' by the Calverts.

The Calverts embraced tearfully after the ruling. Johnson did not attend the hearing. Her attorney, Richard Gilbert, also was absent, but has previously promised an appeal if Johnson lost.

During the hearing, Johnson, 29, argued that she had became emotionally bonded to the baby while still pregnant and therefore has a right to be recognized as his third parent.

But Parslow disagreed, ruling, ''This would create confusion in the child to have a three-parent arrangement. This ruling is definitely pro- child.''

The judge also terminated Johnson's visitation rights as of Monday. Since his birth Sept. 19, Johnson was allowed twice-weekly visits with the boy, who she named Matthew. The Calverts named the child Christopher Michael.

The child's court-appointed guardian, William Steiner, left the courtroom Monday saying, ''The first thing I'm going to do is get a birth certificate for the baby'' listing the Calverts as his legal parents.

While recognizing Johnson played a significant role in the child's life, Parslow likened her involvement to that of foster parents, who may bond to the child but also understand they are only temporary substitutes for natural parents.

''She (Johnson) and the child are genetic and hereditary strangers,'' Parslow said. ''She provided care and nurturing during the time the natural mother couldn't care for him.''

Mrs. Calvert is medically unable to have children. In January, one of her eggs was fertilized by her husband's sperm in a petri dish and the resulting embryo was implanted in Johnson, a co-worker of Mrs. Calvert who offered to carry the child for $10,000.

''It's a glorious day,'' Mark Calvert said outside court. ''When the day comes our son will be aware of the circumstances surrounding his birth and that he was loved so much we went through this ordeal.''

The judge suggested that ''when the wounds are healed,'' the Calverts could consider keeping Johnson informed on the child's progress by sending her notes or photographs.

''Whether or not Anna Johnson has any (future) relationship with the child has to be in the best interest in the child,'' Parslow said. ''But I have found that Chris Calvert is the type of person who does have a heart and would keep Anna Johnson informed.''

Steiner, who supervised Johnson's visits with the baby, said she last saw the baby on Friday during a very tense meeting in the Calverts' home.

''She was pretty much reconciled that she wouldn't see him,'' Steiner said outside court. ''She was separating herself from the baby and held the baby very tightly.''

He said Johnson elected against coming to court Monday because ''she told me she didn't want to come to an execution.''

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CHICAGO (OCT. 22) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.63 1/2	2.65 1/2	2.62 1/4	2.63 1/4	2.63 3/4
Mar	2.78	2.80	2.77	2.77 1/2	2.78 1/4
May	2.85	2.86 3/4	2.83 3/4	2.85	2.85 1/2
Jly	2.89 3/4	2.91 1/2	2.88 3/4	2.89 1/2	2.90 1/4
Sep	2.96	2.96	2.94	2.94	2.95
Dec	....	....	....	3.04 1/2	3.05 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.28	2.31 1/2	2.27 1/2	2.30 1/4	2.28 1/4
Mar	2.37	2.40 3/4	2.36 3/4	2.39 3/4	2.37 3/4
May	2.42 1/2	2.46 1/4	2.42 1/2	2.45 3/4	2.43 1/2

Jly	2.46	2.50 1/4	2.46	2.49 3/4	2.47 1/4
Sep	2.46	2.48 1/4	2.46	2.48	2.45 1/4
Dec	2.47	2.49	2.46 3/4	2.49	2.47 1/4
Mar	....	....	....	2.55 1/2	2.53 1/2

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.22 3/4	1.24 3/4	1.22 3/4	1.24 1/4	1.23
Mar	1.33 1/4	1.34 1/2	1.33	1.34 1/2	1.33 1/4
May	1.40	1.41 1/2	1.40	1.41 1/2	1.40 1/2
Jly	1.45 1/2	1.46 3/4	1.45 1/2	1.46 3/4	1.46
Sep	....	....	....	1.52 3/4	1.52

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	6.13	6.16 1/2	6.10 1/4	6.10 3/4	6.11 1/2
Jan	6.25 1/2	6.31 1/2	6.25	6.25 1/2	6.25 3/4
Mar	6.40	6.45	6.38 3/4	6.39 1/2	6.39
May	6.51 1/2	6.56	6.50 1/4	6.50 1/2	6.50 1/4
Jly	6.59 1/2	6.65 1/2	6.59 1/2	6.60 1/2	6.59 1/4
Aug	6.56 1/2	6.61	6.56 1/2	6.57	6.56
Sep	6.35	6.37	6.33	6.33	6.28
Nov	6.21	6.25 1/2	6.20 1/2	6.23 1/2	6.20 3/4
Jan	....	....	....	6.35	6.31 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Oct	21.90	21.97	21.75	21.97	21.86
Dec	22.17	22.25	22.02	22.07	22.16
Jan	22.46	22.54	22.32	22.36	22.46
Mar	22.90	22.98	22.80	22.83	22.91
May	23.25	23.32	23.15	23.19	23.25
Jul	23.43	23.50	23.35	23.39	23.45
Aug	23.43	23.50	23.35	23.40	23.47
Sep	23.35	23.40	23.25	23.32	23.35
Oct	23.05	23.05	22.95	23.02	23.10
Dec	22.75	22.80	22.70	22.75	22.80

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Oct	180.50	183.00	180.50	182.90	181.10
Dec	185.70	187.50	185.20	185.30	186.10
Jan	188.10	189.80	187.50	187.60	188.10
Mar	191.00	193.00	190.70	190.80	191.20
May	193.00	194.20	191.80	191.90	192.90
Jul	193.50	195.00	193.20	193.30	193.90
Aug	193.00	195.00	193.00	193.20	193.90
Sep	191.00	192.10	188.50	189.00	190.10
Oct	186.00	186.80	185.50	186.00	185.50
Dec	187.00	187.00	186.50	186.70	186.20

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Gold futures closed Monday 320 to 340 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	367.00	369.60	366.50	369.60	372.80
Nov	366.50	....	....	370.20	373.50
Dec	369.00	375.00	368.70	372.40	375.70
Feb	373.40	379.00	373.00	376.50	379.80
Apr	376.50	381.60	376.50	380.20	383.50
Jun	382.00	384.10	382.00	384.10	387.40
Aug	384.40	....	....	388.00	391.40
Oct	393.50	393.50	392.00	392.00	395.40
Dec	392.00	396.10	392.00	396.10	399.50
Feb	397.00	....	....	400.60	404.00
Apr	402.00	404.80	402.00	404.80	408.20
Jun	406.00	409.30	406.00	409.30	412.70
Aug	412.50	414.10	412.50	414.10	417.50

Open interest: 113,352 up 1,065.

Estimated sales: 35,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	372.50 up 5.75
Morning fixing	368.50 off 4.00
Afternoon fixing	367.50 off 5.00
Close	368.25 off 4.25
Paris	371.46 off 2.28
Zurich	368.50 off 4.50
Hong Kong	370.85 off 1.80
New York	
Comex spot close	369.60 off 3.20
Republic cash	370.25 off 2.50
Handy and Harman	367.50 off 4.50

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 368.77 off 4.51 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 387.21 off 4.73 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.194 off 0.064
Republic cash	4.22 off 0.065

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.18 per fine ounce off 0.085

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.21 off 0.06 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.505 off 0.064

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 419.50 up 8.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 519.50 up 8.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 94.50 up 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 109.50 up 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90295u1684 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 22) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	76.92	76.92	76.52	76.75	76.92
Feb	74.40	74.40	73.85	73.97	74.42
Apr	75.35	75.35	74.80	74.90	75.32
Jun	72.95	72.95	72.50	72.52	72.95
Aug	71.25	71.25	70.85	70.90	71.25
Oct	71.50	71.52	71.25	71.25	71.50

Est. sales 9,696 contracts; Friday 19,837; open interest 62,684 off 2,681.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	86.90	86.90	86.60	86.80	86.85
Nov	85.80	85.97	85.65	85.82	85.90
Jan	84.75	84.75	84.37	84.47	84.77
Mar	83.10	83.25	82.90	83.20	83.20
Apr	82.50	82.55	82.40	82.52	82.75
May	81.70	81.75	81.60	81.60	81.95
Aug	80.50	80.50	80.50	80.50	80.77

Est. sales 1,061 contracts; Friday 1,649; open interest 11,266 up 146.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	53.75	53.85	53.40	53.75	53.95
Feb	50.70	50.85	50.35	50.75	51.07
Apr	47.95	47.95	47.35	47.47	48.05
Jun	51.50	51.50	51.02	51.07	51.65
Jly	51.45	51.55	51.25	51.35	51.80

Aug 49.95 49.95 49.90 49.95 50.40
Oct .... 45.50 45.40 45.50 Est. sales 4,990 contracts; Friday 4,727; open interest 23,959 off 1,092. Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 66.80 66.80 65.25 65.75 67.17
Mar 66.60 66.60 65.25 65.57 67.00
May 66.50 66.55 66.40 65.82 67.10
Jly 65.10 65.35 64.60 64.85 66.10
Aug 62.62 62.62 62.30 62.30 63.40

Est. sales 2,879 contracts; Friday 2,892; open interest 8,299 up 171.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Monday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lb 123.64 up 17 cents, 700- 850 lb 123.16 up 17 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lb 115.71 up 3 cents, 700-850 lb 114.16 up 2 cents.

Pork carlot trading very slow; demand very light; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were inactive; skinned hams steady; seedless bellies 12-16 lb 3.00 to 4.00 lower. hams 17-20 lb 106.00, 20-26 lb 101.00-102.00; bellies 12-14 lb 56.00, 14-16 lb 56.00-57.00, 16-18 lb 59.00, 18-20 lb 55.00.

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#90295u1685 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 20 to 26 points higher.
SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.77	9.99	9.72	9.92	9.66
May	9.78	9.99	9.74	9.91	9.70
Jly	9.82	10.00	9.80	9.94	9.74
Oct	9.85	10.06	9.85	9.97	9.77
Mar	9.91	....	....	10.10	9.90

Estimated sales: 18,433 contracts
Open interest: 111,732 off 458
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.02

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday unchanged to 6 points lower.
SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.25	23.25	23.18	23.21	23.27
Mar	23.22	23.23	23.20	23.22	23.25

May	23.30	23.28	23.28	23.28	23.32
Jly	23.30	23.30	23.28	23.28	23.32
Sep	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25
Nov	22.96	22.98	22.96	22.97	23.02
Jan	22.96	22.96	22.96	22.96	22.99

Estimated sales: 2,970 contracts
Open interest: 10,643 up 9

-30- 1188

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	367.42	221.71	140.42	20.27	312.48
Opening	366.43	222.81	140.21	20.23	311.74
11 a.m.	365.89	222.64	140.27	20.22	311.38
Noon	365.79	222.62	140.15	20.18	311.25
1 p.m.	367.64	223.32	140.48	20.31	312.72
2 p.m.	368.52	224.13	131.05	20.39	313.58
3 p.m.	371.08	225.82	141.28	20.64	315.64

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#90295u1723 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

DHARAN, SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 22) UPI - An Iraqi ship that U.S. forces stopped and fired upon apparently tossed a cargo of forbidden goods over the side during an unsuccessful attempt to run the multinational embargo, the Navy said Monday.

When stopped Saturday in the Persian Gulf and when fired upon on Sunday, the cargo aboard the al-Bahar al-Arabi included iron pipes and plywood bound for Aden in Yemen.

It was trailed through the night by an Italian vessel Libeccio, and then halted and boarded again late Monday morning by the frigate USS Reasoner and the Australian vessel HMAS Adelaide. The party included 15 Australians and 11 Americans.

Navy Cmdr. J.D. Van Sickle said the boarding party found none of the prohibited cargo on the ship - iron pipe and plywood - that was aboard on Saturday and the assumption was it had been pitched into the sea as the vessel moved out of the Persian Gulf to the Gulf of Oman under cover of darkness.

The ship was first intercepted Saturday morning when it agreed to be boarded

by Navy personnel from the U.S. destroyer O'Brien. Officers on the O'Brien told the Iraqi captain the ship would have to return to Iraq or divert to a non-prohibited port.

They said the captain agreed to return to Iraq, but instead continued south toward the Straight of Hormuz after the boarding party left.

The officials said when the vessel refused to heed the second order Monday to turn back, and would not acknowledge communications, the O'Brien began firing shots over its bow and it was boarded again.

After tje second boarding, the ship - originally described as a merchantman but later called a fishing vessel - was allowed to proceed to its original destination, the port of Aden in Yemen. There was no indication if any other cargo was aboard. There was no indication how long the boarding party was aboard Monday before freeing the ship.

''It was thoroughly searched. The ship was no longer carrying any prohibited cargo,'' said Van Sickle.

''Following the search the al-Bahar al-Arabi was allowed to proceed to its original destination. We don't know what happened to the original cargo and we can only presume it was dumped over the side between the first boarding and today,'' he said.

''If the cargo was pitched over the side, it was denied carrying it to its destination,'' he said, commenting on the impact of the embargo on goods coming into or out of Iraq.

''I would say the sanctions are working,'' he added.

There have been a couple of incidents in which shots have been fired across the bows of merchant ships by warships enforcing the U.N. embargo against Iraq.

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#90295u1754 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 22) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

Bonds - Slightly lower.

American Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Dollar - Slightly higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1 3/4 to 2 3/4, wheat was off 1/2 to off 1, soybeans were off 1/4 to up 5 and oats were up 3/4 to up 1 1/4.

Cattle trade - Steady to $2 lower; top $79.00.

-30- 745

#90295u1755 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 22) UPI - Monday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.48 1/4-2.53 1/4 off 1/2.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.04 3/4- 6.11 3/4 up 1 1/4 to off 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.18 1/4-2.30 1/4 up 2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.30 1/4-2.34 3/4 up 2.

-30- 618

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(OCT. 22) UPI - Reading down : Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Air Products & Chemicals (4th Q 9-30)	
$816,300,000	$668,600,000
a-$63,100,000 (1.14)	$51,000,000 (.92)

a-Includes an after-tax gain of $6 million, or 11 cents a share, from the sale of a 50 pc interest in a cogeneration project.

Applied Magnetics (4th Q 9-30)	
$105,514,000	$80,820,000
$1,452,000 (.09)	d-$6,158,000

d-Deficit.

Bemis Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$271,684,000 $262,161,000
$12,377,000 (.48) $12,055,000 (.46)

Homestake Mining Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$120,996,000 $107,730,000
$1,653,000 (.02) $2,013,000 (.02)

Liz Claiborne Inc (3rd Q 9-29)
$499,554,000 $410,372,000
$62,562,000 (.72) $51,066,000 (.58)

Philadelphia Electric (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,011,962,000 $895,394,000
$15,866,000 (.04) $205,533,000 (.87)

Phillips Petroleum Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$3,426,000,000 $3,061,000,000
$178,000,000 (.72) $87,000,000 (.36)

-30- 1313
#90295u1782 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 22) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $9 to $15 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.90 cent to 1.60 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.50 cent higher to 0.50 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.05 cent to 1.39 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $3.20 to $3.40 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $4.60 to $5.70 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.15 cent to 2.05 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 6.4 to 7.1 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.020 to 0.026 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

-30- 960
#90295u1790 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
HOUSTON (OCT. 22) UPI - American Exploration Co., an independent oil and gas company,said Monday it will acquire Conquest Exploration Co. in a cash-and-stock transaction valued at about $160 million.

The cash portion of the acquisition price will be about $10.1 million.

Under a definitive agreement, American Exploration will pay $1.90 cash a share for approximately 12 percent of Conquest's 44.46 million outstanding common shares and exchange 0.44 shares of its common stock for each remaining share of Conquest's common stock.

Last year, Conquest lost about $500,000 on revenues of about $51 million, said Kenneth Huffman, American Exploration's vice president of finance.

He said his company earned $2.5 million, or 5 cents a share, on revenues of $48 million last year.

Both companies are based in Houston.

As part of the proposed transaction, American Exploration agreed to purchase from Dyson-Kissner-Moran Corp., a New York-based venture- capital firm, 5 million shares of Conquest's voting preferred stock for $21 million. These share, issued in 1986, have a liquidation preference of $23.75 million and constitute all of the outstanding preferred stock of Conquest.

Dyson-Kissner-Moran also agreed to vote the preferred and the approximately 10.31 million shares of Conquest common stock in favor of the acquisition. In all, Dyson-Kissner-Moran's interest represents approximately 30 percent of Conquest's outstanding voting stock.

American Exploration will also assume approximately $55 million of Conquest's debt.

Based on American Exploration's closing stock price of $4.25 per share on Friday, the transaction, including assumption of the debt and the purchase of the preferred stock, has a value of approximately $160 million, company representatives said.

Among other things, the acquisition is subject to approval by shareholders of both companies.

-30- 2098
#90295u1797 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 22) UPI - In Paris today, Defense Secretary Cheney confirmed that Iraq

has seized an UNknown number of U-S Hawk anti-aircraft missiles in Kuwait. But Cheney says he does NOT know if the Iraqis can operate the missiles.

The Navy says an Iraqi ship that ignored warning shots to turn back has apparently dumped its cargo into the sea. U-S sailors found iron and wood aboard the ship Saturday... but found NONE of the forbidden cargo when they boarded the vessel again today in the Gulf of Oman.

Budget negotiators say they are making progress toward a deficit reduction pact. Republicans have agreed to raise taxes on the wealthy... but want to do so by eliminating deductions... while the Democrats want a surtax.

A group of federal workers picketed in front of the Federal Courts Building in Indianapolis today to focus attention on the budget fiasco in Washington. The workers say they're tired of suffering from budget cuts and congressional indecision.

A judge in California today ruled the genetic parents of a surrogate baby will raise their child... but the surrogate mother who bore the infant will NOT. The judge in Santa Ana called the surrogate a ''genetic and hereditary stranger'' to the newborn.

The American Bankers Association received a report today on technology developments that will expedite activities in the banking industry. It cited changes that would shorten the time needed to clear and settle accounts.

Environmental Protection Agency officials say they're seeking fines against nine companies in the Southeast that allegedly failed to report the release of toxic chemicals. Fines against firms in Alabama, Florida, North Carolina and Kentucky total 274-thousand dollars.

Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor is vowing to continue his fight against rival guerrilla forces and West African soldiers. Taylor coupled that pledge with a charge his opponents have received U-S military aid.

The 12-nation European Community failed again today to agree on a plan to cut farm subsidies. The issue threatens to torpedo talks over the past four years aimed at resolving the subsidy problem.

Egypt made another move today to increase tourism at Giza. The government reopened the third and smallest pyramid at the famous site and also opened 15 tombs to the public.

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#90295u1798 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

MEXICO CITY (OCT. 22) UPI - Authorities closed five ports on the Baja California peninsula and the Pacific port of Mazatlan Monday as Hurricane

Trudy approached the coast unleashing winds up to 115 mph, officials said.

Agriculture and Water Resources spokesman Roberta Loaeza told United Press International the effects of the hurricane, which was losing force Monday, would be felt by midday in La Paz, 800 miles northwest of Mexico City, and in Mazatlan on the Pacific coast.

Although the hurricane is diminishing, ''that doesn't mean there is no risk of damage from high winds or rising waters in the northwest region of the country '' Loaeza said.

He said Trudy was moving towards land at 6 mph with winds up to 115 mph, causing heavy rains in Mazatlan.

Mazatlan maritime chief Enrique Isaias said high tides had forced authorities to close the ports of Mazatlan, La Paz, Cabo San Lucas, San Jose del Cabo, San Carlos and Loreto.

Communications and Transport authorities said they had moved heavy machinery on to the Baja California highway to clear or repair the road if necessary.

-30- 1277

#90295u1815 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	65 5-8	up 5-8
AT&T Company	33 1-2	unch
BCE Inc	31 1-4	up 1-4
Bell Atlantic	52 3-4	up 3-4
BellSouth Corp	52 1-8	up 1-8
Exxon Corp	49 5-8	off 1-4
Ford Motor Co	32	up 5-8
Genl Electric	53 3-4	off 1 3-4
General Motors	38 3-4	up 7-8
GTE Corp	28 5-8	up 3-8
IBM Corp	107 3-4	up 1-8
Mobil Oil Corp	58 1-2	off 5-8
Nynex Corp	71 1-2	up 3-4
Pac Gas & Elec	23 3-8	unch
Pacific Telesis	45 5-8	up 1-8
Phila Electric	16 1-2	up 1-8
Sears Roebuck	25 3-8	off 1-2
Southern Co	26 1-8	unch
Sthwestern Bell	52 7-8	off 1-2
US West Inc	37 5-8	off 1-4

-30- 1066
#90295u1822 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
ATHENS, GREECE (OCT. 22) UPI - Iran has asked Iraq to return its former Oil Minister Mohammad Javad Tondguyan, taken prisoner of war at the start of the 1980-88 Persian Gulf conflict and believed to be still alive, the official Islamic Republic News Agency said Monday.

Mohammed Ali Nazaran, an Iranian official in charge of Iraqi POW affairs, told the news agency Tondguyan was believed to be still alive and held in an Iraqi prison. Tehran has requested that Baghdad send him home as a gesture of good will, he said.

Nazaran's remarks followed regional reports that Tondguyan, who was taken prisoner near the Abadan refinery days after the Iran-Iraq war began in September 1980, may have died under torture in an Iraqi prison.

Iraq has returned at least two men taken prisoner with Tondguyan, including one of his deputies and his driver, among the 37,000 Iranian POWs sent home since the exchange of prisoners began in August.

''There are live and documented evidences that Mohammad Javad Tondguyan ... is alive and being held in a secret Iraqi prison,'' IRNA quoted Nazaran as saying.

''We are waiting for the release of our former oil minister and are against his (continued) detention. Therefore, if Iraq has good will it should release him immediately,'' Nazaran said.

Sunday, Iran reopened its embassy in Baghdad, a week after the two countries resumed diplomatic relations. Iraq reopened its embassy in Tehran Oct. 14.

Iranian Charge d'Affaires Abuqassem Shashat, who arrived in Baghdad Wednesday, said ''the reopening of the embassies in Baghdad and Tehran came as a result of the process of normalization (of) bilateral relations.''

Over the past two months, as the Iraq-Kuwait crisis deepened, Tehran and Baghdad have steadily normalized their relations, but several issues remain unresolved.

An undisclosed number of POWs, out of an estimated total of 100,000 held by both sides, remained in prison camps, apparently because some have sought political asylum.

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#90295u1841 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Monday - $38,790,000

1990 to date - $8,979,780,000

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#90295u1843 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:
Stocks - 12,400,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,811,254,175
Bonds - $2,830,000
1990 to date - $591,633,000

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#90295u1846 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 293.11, low 292.23, close 292.23, off 1.48.

There was a loss of 4 cents in the average share price.

Volume 12,400,000 shares, compared with 12, 940,000 Friday.
What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	5
New Lows	59
Advances	244
Declines	340
Unchanged	231
Total Issues	815

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#90295u1851 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (OCT. 22) UPI - Finance Ministry employees and thousands of sympathizers ignored government threats of imprisonment and stayed away from work Monday to demand higher wages and increased fringe benefits.

''The government has threatened to throw us in jail if we continue with the strikes, but the people know that we are demanding better living conditions in the face of sharp increases in the price of basic goods,'' said Carlos Luna, a leader of Finance Ministry workers.

Workers at the ministry declared an indefinite work stoppage and demanded a monthly wage increase of $25, in addition to improved benefits.

One-day sympathy strikes were carried out by employees of the state- owned telephone company, the agency that regulates the supply of grain and by members of the Public Workers and Employees Union.

Luna said more than half of the Finance Ministry's 5,200 workers were honoring the strike, and that nearly 7,000 other state employees stayed off their jobs Monday in support.

The government, charging workers are collaborating with rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, have accused them of trying to mount what it calls a ''street offensive'' to destabilize the country with strikes and public protests.

A full page advertisement taken out by the government in local newspapers described union leaders as ''agitators pursuing political objectives by disguising them as labor demands.''

The ad reminded state employees that it is illegal for them to strike and threatened them with up to four years in prison. The ad also warned those who incite strikes would face from three months to a year in jail.

''We reject all claims that we have ties with the FMLN,'' said Luna of the government's accusation.

Successive U.S.-backed governments in El Salvador have accused their critics of being allied to the rebels, who have been fighting to topple the governent since 1979.

In that time, hundreds of union leaders have been jailed, killed or have disappeared, and labor leaders were taking Monday's threats seriously.

A diplomat in San Salvador said rebels were ''calling for their people in these (labor) movements to be as high profile as possible,'' but doubted the government would resort to violence.

''I would be surprised if they went out and beat heads in the streets,'' the diplomat said. ''I hope they are not that stupid.''

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#90295u1855 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	292.23	off	1.48
High Technology	292.85	up	0.97
Capital Goods	311.62	up	0.81
Consumer Goods	361.09	off	1.05
Service	642.12	up	2.95
Retail	918.01	up	10.46
Financial	338.77	off	4.39
Natural Resources	222.08	off	3.23
Housing-Const-Land	250.84	off	12.87

There was a loss of 4 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS		
New England	371.63	off 1.75
Mid Atlantic	382.55	off 0.50
No Central	379.70	off 1.55
So Atlantic	803.52	up 3.90
So Central	298.32	up 0.37
Mountain	103.88	off 1.35
Pacific	330.72	off 1.00
Foreign	219.19	off 2.82

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#90295u1856 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	171.52	up 1.12
ASE Market Value Index	292.23	off 1.48
Dow-Jones Industrial	2516.09	off 4.70

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#90295u1858 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2516.09	off 4.70
20 Trans	883.69	up 15.53
15 Utils	210.89	up 1.01
65 Stocks	891.37	up 3.95

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#90295u1859 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2516.09	off	4.70	883.69	up	15.53	210.89	up	1.01
Friday	2520.79	up	68.07	868.16	up	11.28	209.88	up	1.57
Week ago	2416.34	up	18.32	832.29	up	2.59	206.99	up	1.13
Month ago	2452.97	off	59.41	841.90	off	34.76	199.76	off	1.95
Year ago	2662.91	off	26.23	1236.66	up	5.86	215.35	off	0.13
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90295u1860 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks	-	152,560,000 shares
1990 to date	-	32,396,312,282
Warrants	-	1,216,100
1990 to date	-	206,236,100

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#90295u1869 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	65,578,420	64	up 2
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	63,521,460	31 1/8	off 1/4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	47,490,056	35 1/4	up 1/2
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	46,245,028	21 5/8	up 1 5/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	40,853,744	29 1/4	up 1 1/8
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	39,400,228	45 7/8	up 2 1/8
Liz Claiborne	(LIZC)	37,936,616	26 3/4	up 1 7/8
Reuters Hldgs	(RTRS)	24,050,080	41 1/8	up 1/8
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	22,712,898	22 7/8	up 1 1/2
Tele Commun A	(TCOM)	17,089,792	10	up 1/8

Composite Index 149.68 up 1.74

NMS volume 86,818,904 shares.

Advances	774
Declines	756
Unchanged	1263
Total	2,793

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#90295u1876 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW DELHI, INDIA (OCT. 22) UPI - A dispute over plans to move a 460-year-old Moslem temple and build a Hindu shrine in the mosque's place poses a threat to India's unity and could to pull down the government, Prime Minister V.P. Singh said Monday.

''It is not a question of saving the government, but that of saving the nation '' said Sing in an emotional address.

A temple or a mosque could be built any time but a nation once divided could not be united, said Singh in the broadcast over state- owned Doordarshan television.

The government hours earlier, set up a six-member committee of chief ministers to find a solution to the dispute arising out of a plan by Hindu groups to relocate a the mosque and built in its place a temple in the Hindu holy town of Ayodhya, 320 miles southeast of New Delhi.

''If we accept polarization on the basis of religion, what moral ground would the government have to counter the demand for Khalistan or secession of Kashmir to Pakistan,'' said the Indian prime minister.

Sikh militants have waged a bloody campaign in Punjab to set up an independent theocratic state called Khalistan or ''Land of the Pure'' while Moslem activists have stepped up their campaign to secede Kashmir from India.

Experts believe next week is crucial for the survival of Singh's minority National Front coalition government because the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), a Hindu fundamentalist group, has given an ultimatum to cut off its crucial parliamentary support if the government prevents construction of the Hindu temple at the disputed shrine in northern Uttar Pradesh state.

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#90295u1888 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 5 to 139 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	73.45	75.20	73.40	74.62	73.23
Mar	73.85	75.00	73.80	74.53	73.63
May	74.20	75.10	74.20	74.80	73.97
Jly	74.20	75.05	74.20	74.80	74.00
Oct	68.00	68.00	68.00	68.15	68.10
Dec	66.70	67.05	66.70	66.85	66.70
Mar	67.60	....	....	67.80	67.65

Estimated sales: 11,000 contracts
Open interest: 40,321 up 430
The World spot average: 71.12

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#90295u1891 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent	Currency per U.S.$

	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austral	.000188	.000184	5331.00	5429.00
Australia dlr	.7805	.7765	1.2812	1.2878
Austria schill	.0938	.0941	10.66	10.63
Belgium franc-c	.0321	.0321	31.14	31.13
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0105	.0111	94.87	90.31
Britain pound	1.9450	1.9578	.5141	.5108
Britain 1-mo	1.9348	1.9479	.5168	.5134
Britain 3-mo	1.9181	1.9388	.5213	.5158
Britain 6-mo	1.8951	1.9314	.5277	.5178
Canada dollar	.8547	.8528	1.1700	1.1726
Canada 1-mo	.8516	.8497	1.1742	1.1769
Canada 3-mo	.8460	.8467	1.1821	1.1810
Canada 6-mo	.8453	.8439	1.1830	1.1850
Chile peso-f	.003410	.003044	293.25	328.50
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001893	.001912	528.32	523.00
Denmark krne	.1735	.1734	5.7645	5.7680
Ecudr sucre-z	.001195	.001168	836.55	856.00
Egypt pound	.3673	.3632	2.7228	2.7534
Finlnd mrkka	.2791	.2796	3.5835	3.5770
France franc	.1969	.1974	5.0800	5.0665
France 1-mo	.1966	.1971	5.0872	5.0734
France 3-mo	.1960	.1965	5.1018	5.0880
France 6-mo	.1951	.1956	5.1260	5.1132
Greece drach	.006650	.006581	150.38	151.95
Hollnd guildr	.5848	.5869	1.7100	1.7040
HongKong dlr	.1284	.1287	7.7860	7.7715
India rupee	.0558	.0553	17.93	18.08
Indo'sa rupia	.000541	.000536	1850.00	1864.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7700	1.7735	0.5650	0.5639
Israel shekel	.5086	.5066	1.9660	1.9739
Italy lira	.000880	.000885	1136.00	1130.00
Japan yen	.007921	.007868	126.25	127.10
Japan 1-mo	.007931	.007886	126.08	126.80
Japan 3-mo	.007928	.007868	126.13	127.10
Japan 6-mo	.007954	.007937	125.73	126.00
Jordan dinar	1.5699	1.5485	.6370	.6458
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000345	.000344	2895.00	2905.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6063	.5965	1.6493	1.6764
Norway krne	.1699	.1696	5.8875	5.8965
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0462	21.56	21.65
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	433,400	445,037

P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0392	25.30	25.49
Portugl escud	.007551	.007510	132.43	133.16
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2667	3.7406	3.7500
Singapore dlr	.5860	.5831	1.7065	1.7150
S.Africa rand	.3954	.3944	2.5293	2.5355
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010498	.010565	95.26	94.65
Sweden krona	.1780	.1785	5.6170	5.6020
Switzrl franc	.7785	.7868	1.2845	1.2710
Switzrl 1-mo	.7787	.7870	1.2842	1.2706
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7788	.7871	1.2841	1.2705
Switzrl 6-mo	.7782	.7872	1.2850	1.2704
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.79	26.79
Turkey lira	.000369	.000369	2707.00	2709.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2723	3.6608	3.6725
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.49
Venez bolivr-z	.0206	.0204	48.46	49.03
W.Ger Mark	.6588	.6658	1.5178	1.5020
W.Ger 1-mo	.6588	.6658	1.5180	1.5019
W.Ger 3-mo	.6586	.6659	1.5184	1.5018
W.Ger 6-mo	.6568	.6659	1.5226	1.5017
Yugosl dinar	.0967	.0941	10.34	10.63

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	23.20-23.30	28.30-28.35
North Sea Brent	26.65-26.70	32.00-32.05
West Texas Intermed	28.35-28.40	33.75-33.85
Light Louisiana Sweet	28.80-28.90	34.10-34.25
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	82.50-83.00	92.40-92.90
No. 2 Heating oil	74.50-74.75	86.65-86.90
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	75.00-75.25	86.40-86.65

No. 2 Heating oil	73.75-74.00	85.65-85.75

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NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Genl Electric	2,630,900	53 3/4	off 1 3/4
Philip Morris	2,292,700	48 1/2	up 1/8
Fedl Home Loan	2,176,600	33 3/4	up 7/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	2,060,000	29	up 1 1/8
IBM Corp	1,918,300	107 3/4	up 1/8
Wal-Mart Stores	1,723,000	29	up 1 1/4
Citicorp	1,688,800	13	up 1/4
Coca-Cola Co	1,644,900	45 1/8	off 5/8
Waste Managemnt	1,552,700	33 1/2	up 1 3/8
AT&T Co	1,550,400	33 3/8	off 1/8
PepsiCo	1,546,400	24 7/8	off 1/8
Johnson& Johnson	1,448,900	68 1/4	up 7/8
Genl Motors	1,433,700	38 3/4	up 7/8
Eastmn Kodak	1,418,900	39 3/4	up 3/8
Amer Express	1,370,900	19 7/8	up 1

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#90295u1899 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Contl Air Hldgs	1,357,100	6	up 1/8
Conquest Explor	1,203,900	1 1/4	up 3/8
PW Group wtB	502,300	7 3/8	off 1 1/8
Tubos De Acero	344,000	6 1/8	unch
Denmark King wt	335,900	16 1/2	off 1 1/4
PW Group wtA	317,800	3	up 1/4
Salomon wt93Jan	287,800	15 1/2	off 1 3/8
Eksportfinan wt	275,700	7 3/8	off 1
Carnival Cruise	271,800	14 1/8	up 1/8
Wang Labs Inc B	222,600	3	unch

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#90295u1902 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) UPI - The Senate, warned that Iraq has targeted the Jewish state for attack if war breaks out in the Persian Gulf, overwhelmingly

approved Monday the transfer of $700 million in U.S. military equipment to Israel.

The Senate rejected 97-1 an attempt by Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., to take the equipment transfer out of the $15.5 billion foreign aid appropriations bill, reflecting once again the sweeping support Israel enjoys in Congress. Byrd cast the only no vote.

Speaking against the Byrd amendment, Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, said Iraq's Saddam Hassan has made ''it very clear ... if there is a breakout of war ... he would let go with his chemical, with his biological weapons. Israel is within striking distance. We are not.''

The foreign aid bill, which has been stalled by several bitter fights, would cut in half military aid to El Salvador, cancel Egypt's $6.7 billion military debt and bar aid to countries that do not comply with U.S. sanctions against Iraq.

The legislation provides funds for economic, military and export assistance and frequently provokes some of the most acrimonious debates in the Senate. The $700 million, put in at the last moment, would be in addition to the $3 billion.

The language governing the additional military aid to Israel reads ''at least'' $700 million in the next nine months, leading Byrd to charge that President Bush would have the authority to transfer an unlimited amount of equipment, plus military training and education. The equipment would come from U.S. forces in Europe as they are reduced.

''Israel's security is not vitally dependent on this additional provision, on top of our already generous effort,'' Byrd said. ''The United States is not a bottomless pit of aid money.''

Byrd also said there is a ''fake psychology that we need to break, and that is that the the idea that any vote against anything for Israel means you are against Israel. ...

''The attitude that opposing any item that might benefit Israel means that one opposes Israel is one that has been used to considerable advantage around here for years,'' Byrd said. ''It is time that that sort of psychological stranglehold end in this body.''

Predictably, the Byrd proposal drew the fire of others senators in addition to Metzenbaum.

Sen. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii, said the $700 million equipment transfer is ''one that serves and enhances the interests of the United States in the Middle East.''

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., said the United States has ''enormous stockpiles'' in NATO, adding there was an ''enormous advantage to have Israeli men and women handle this equipment. The Israelis are willing to do that for their own protection and joint Israel-American protection.''

Specter said the transfer was ''relatively minor'' to the proposed $7 billion in arms sale to Saudi Arabia and the cancellation of Egypt's debt.

Sen. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., said there is ''no reason we should not position (the equipment) in Israel.

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#90295u1913 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2498.27	2535.40	2476.73	2516.09	off 4.70
20 Trans	867.79	894.79	862.61	883.69	up 15.53
15 Utils	209.44	211.64	208.63	210.89	up 1.01
65 Stock	882.55	898.67	876.32	891.37	up 3.95

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	21,307,000	37,805,700
Trans	4,411,300	6,324,200
Utils	3,347,000	4,836,800
65 Stock	29,065,300	48,966,700

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.17	off 0.03
10 Public Utils	91.33	off 0.18
10 Industrials	87.01	up 0.12

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 128.05 up 0.46.

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(OCT. 22) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	220.50	223.40	219.70	221.80	220.80
Mar	....	....	....	224.15	223.50
Jun	....	....	....	227.15	226.00

Previous day volume: 81 contracts.
Open interest: 1,227 up 1

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	313.25	318.65	312.40	315.50	313.05
Mar	315.90	321.30	315.10	318.20	315.75
Jun	320.90	324.00	318.00	321.20	318.60
Sep	....	326.00	321.60	324.50	321.70

Today's estimated volume: 51,833 contracts.
Open interest: 153,402 off 763

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	170.80	173.70	170.40	172.15	170.85
Mar	172.15	175.10	172.10	173.50	172.15
Jun	173.50	173.50	173.50	174.85	173.45

Open interest: 5,583 off 142

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	524.50	530.75	519.20	525.50	523.25
Dec	526.25	532.25	521.50	527.50	525.50

Estimated volume 8,219 contracts.
Open interest: 10,435 up 124

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#90295u1928 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

CLEVELAND (OCT. 22) UPI - The Cleveland Indians announced Monday outfielder Candy Maldonado has filed for free agency.

Maldonado was also a free agent last season and signed a one-year contract with Cleveland. He hit .273 and led the Indians in home runs with 22 and RBI with 95.

Maldonado's request for a three-year, guaranteed contract reportedly has been a major stumbling block in talks with the Indians.

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#90295u1931 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.

Berkshire Hth	6300	up 200
Heinz pf	300	up 15
Captl Cities	432	off 8
Kubota Ltd	114	off 4 1/2
NCR Corp	49 7/8	up 3
US Surgical	54 3/8	up 3
Pioneer Elec	71	up 3
ITT pfK	74 1/8	up 2 7/8
Lilly Eli wt	76 3/4	up 2 3/4
ITT pfN	56	up 2 3/4
CPC Intl	78 3/8	up 2 3/4

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#90295u1933 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	367.42	221.71	140.42	20.27	312.48
Opening	366.43	222.81	140.21	20.23	311.74
11 a.m.	365.89	222.64	140.27	20.22	311.38
Noon	365.79	222.62	140.15	20.18	311.25
1 p.m.	367.64	223.32	140.48	20.31	312.72
2 p.m.	368.52	224.13	141.05	20.39	313.58
3 p.m.	371.08	225.82	141.28	20.64	315.64
Close	369.89	225.01	141.29	20.57	314.76
Change	up 2.47	up 3.30	up 0.87	up 0.30	up 2.28

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#90295u1941 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	341.12	up	3.76	329.54	467.22
Industrial	365.83	up	3.86	349.22	454.48
Finance	337.13	up	1.79	331.83	543.62
Insurance	387.96	up	2.94	382.18	539.63
Utility	458.60	up	10.47	456.87	752.65
Bank	245.48	off	0.31	243.12	449.87
Transport	387.48	up	7.28	367.21	484.45

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	149.68	up	1.74
Industrial Index	144.91	up	1.64
NASDAQ-100 Index	357.13	up	7.89

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#90295u1944 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - The dollar rebounded Monday in New York and on other foreign-exchange markets around the world as currency players relaxed pressure on the enfeebled U.S. unit for fear central banks might jump in to support it.

Currency traders said the dollar also was helped technically as it was bought by participants taking profits on short positions - contracts made earlier to sell the dollar in the belief its price would decline.

The dollar's crash through the significant 1.50-German mark barrier last week and its severe slump against Japan's yen were cues for many investors to close out short positions and watch for any central bank intervention.

''The bottom line would be the market grew a little more cautious after achieving some long-term (price) objectives,'' said senior currency strategist Marc Chandler of the New York advisory firm IDEA.

Banque Paribas currency manager Joseph Cambria saw the dollar rising on ''book squaring and ... long speculative positions'' taken in expectation of gains as U.S. corporations eventually repatriate foreign profits.

In late New York dealings, the dollar was quoted at 1.5180 German marks, up from 1.5010 marks Friday, and 126.00 Japanese yen, unchanged from Friday.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2835 Swiss francs, up from 1.2675; 5.0825 French francs, up from 5.0300; and 1,137 Italian lire, up from 1, 125.

The pound fell back, fetching $1.9425 compared with $1.9600.

Despite Monday's rally, Chandler said, the dollar could resume its fall over the next few weeks to 1.48 marks and 122 yen or so.

''I don't think the dollar has found its floor,'' he said, noting that U.S. economic factors undermining it ''continue to deteriorate.''

Besides, passage of U.S. budget legislation could allow the Federal Reserve to bring down short-term interest rates - a move that would further hone the interest-rate edge of the higher-yielding deutsche mark and yen.

A long-anticipated 1/4 percentage point easing by the Fed is already written

into prices. But the severity of U.S. economic ills could lead policymakers to take a bigger step or follow up with another dollar- bearish 1/4-point rate cut, Chandler said.

In European trading, technical factors combined with seeming progress in the Washington budget talks and lower oil prices to boost the dollar.

''The dollar is a little firmer on short-covering by dealers, although easier oil prices have helped it,'' said Warren Pinner, foreign exchange manager at Kleinwort Benson Group PLC.

In Frankfurt the dollar advanced to 1.5145 marks vs. 1.5088 Friday and was also higher in Zurich, at 1.2799 Swiss francs against 1.2670.

In London, the pound slipped to $1.9495 vs. 1.9635 Friday.

The dollar moved up in Brussels and Milan, to 31.14 Belgian francs vs. 30.99 and to 1,129.30 Italian lire vs. 1,128.25, but slipped in Paris to 5.0490 French francs from 5.0515.

In Tokyo, the dollar rebounded against the yen as investors bought it to take profits on short positions, closing at 126.25 yen, up a yen from 125.25.

Traders said investors were worried about possible central bank intervention to curtail excessive yen gains against the dollar.

Gold closed lower in both Zurich, at $368.50 per ounce against $373, and London, at $368.25 an ounce vs. $372.50.

Silver was unchanged in Zurich at $4.25 an ounce. It also held its position in London, at $4.28.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $370.25 an ounce, down from $372.75 Friday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $369.60 an ounce, off from $372.80.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.22 an ounce, down from $4.285. Comex silver closed at $4.194 an ounce, off from $4.258.

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#90295u1948 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	114,666,400
Advances	915
Declines	932
Unchanged	2,380

Total	4,227

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#90295u1958 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	20	25	15
New lows	108	98	218

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	842	95,844,700
Declines	725	41,099,200
Unchanged	425	15,616,100
Total	1,992	152,650,000

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#90295u1960 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 22) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	5
New lows	59

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	244	4,819,200
Declines	340	5,105,500
Unchanged	231	2,475,300
Total	815	12,400,000

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#90295u1962 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	342.25	336.70	341.12	up 3.76
Industrial	367.43	361.10	365.83	up 3.86
Finance	337.53	334.90	3371.3	up 1.79
Insurance	388.73	383.33	387.96	up 2.94
Utility	460.53	445.95	458.60	up 10.47
Bank	246.44	243.29	245.48	off 0.31
Transport	389.54	378.50	387.48	up 7.28

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44
NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	149.68	up 1.74
Industrial Index	144.91	up 1.64
NASDAQ-100 Index	357.13	up 7.89
(largest non-fin'cl)		
Average price per share	7.74	up 0.09
Volume	114,666,400	shares
Advances	915	
Declines	932	
Unchanged	2,380	
Total	4,227	

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#90295u1967 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	171.91	169.76	171.52	up 1.12
Industrial	213.52	210.66	212.91	up 1.27
Transport	137.92	136.05	137.59	up 2.21
Utility	89.02	88.35	89.02	up 0.49
Finance	109.77	108.29	109.57	up 1.17

Equivalent to a gain of 19 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 152,650,000 shares.

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#90295u1968 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.91	8.01	8.73
91-day Treasury bills	7.48	7.46	7.60
182-day Treasury bills	7.56	7.54	7.58
1-year Treasury bills	7.54	7.54	7.31
3-year Treasury notes	7.98	7.98	7.91
7-year Treasury notes	8.49	8.49	7.92
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.76	8.76	7.94
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.10	9.10	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.83	9.83	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.23	9.16	9.00

GNMA 8	30-year mortgage	9.45	9.44	8.99
FNMA 8.5	30-year mortgage	9.52	9.51	9.16
Freddie Mac	30-year mortgage	9.50	9.49	9.15

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90295u1974 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney says Iraq did capture an UNknown quantity of U-S Hawk anti-aircaft missiles in Kuwait... but he's NOT sure if the Iraqis know how to use them. Cheney spoke in Paris after meeting with French President Francois Mitterrand. Cheney earlier said the United States ''is NOT in the Persian Gulf to launch a military offensive...'' but could counter-attack in case of Iraqi ''provocation.''

Federal budget negotiators say they've moved beyond a breakdown last night to close in on an agreement to reduce the deficit. The main dispute remains how to raise the income tax for the wealthiest Americans. The Republicans back eliminating deductions... but Democrats are pushing for a surtax on the rich. The White House says it is shooting for an agreement before the government runs out of money at midnight Wednesday.

West Coast residents of Mexico are bracing for the onslaught of Hurricane Trudy. Authorities have ordered the closing of five ports in the threatened area from Baja California to the Pacific port of Mazatlan as the storm moves toward the coast packing winds of up to 115 miles an hour.

Legal arguments get under way Wednesday to determine liability in the Love Canal environmental disaster at Buffalo, New York. The court action comes 12 years after buried toxic chemicals were found seeping from the supposedly sealed Canal in one of the nation's worst environmental disasters.

Some 10-thousand red-clad fans thronged Cincinnati's Fountain Square today to hail baseball's world champion Reds. Team owner Marge Schott thanked the crowd for hanging with the club through five straight regular-season runner-up finishes. Pitcher Danny Jackson summed up the Reds' World Series sweep of the Oakland Athletics... telling the crowd- ''We whupped 'em.'' Two red motorized street-sweepers led a parade through the city.

#90295u1986 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 22) UPI - Oil prices plunged a record $5 a barrel Monday, with unconfirmed reports and rumors - including one that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein dreamed he should give up most of Kuwait - combining to reinforce the market's growing belief war in the Middle East is unlikely.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery plunged a record $5.41 from Friday's close to $28.38 a barrel - a 16 percent loss on the day. It was the final day of trading activity in the November contract.

The previous Merc record for a daily decline was set Aug. 27, when WTI dropped $4 a barrel.

WTI has lost $12.04 a barrel in the last seven trading sessions, or 29.8 percent of its value, since setting a Merc record closing high of $40.42 a barrel Oct. 11.

WTI is still selling $6.84, or 31.7 percent higher, than the $21.54 a barrel it was trading at prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The drop in oil prices helped revive the stock market. The Dow Jones industrial average of blue-chip stocks slipped 4.70 points on the New York Stock Exchange to 2516.09 after being down 30 points earlier in the day.

A report that Saddam had dreamed the prophet Mohammed told him to abandon all except a small part of Kuwait was characteristic of the day, said Don Morton of PaineWebber Inc., Andover, Mass.

Another unconfirmed report that Iraq had moved troops away from its border with Saudi Arabia and a possible confrontation with U.S. and other troops stationed there ''started the market off on a weak tone in Europe that continued here,'' he said.

A weekend visit to Baghdad by former British Prime Minister Edward Heath, who said he had secured the release of an undisclosed number of British hostages following a meeting with Saddam, added downward momentum.

''The movement of the troops and Heath's comments have put pressure on the market today,'' said Thomas Blakeslee of Pegasus Econometrics Group in Hoboken N.J.

Peter Gignoux of Shearson Lehman Hutton's London office said selling also received a thrust from an unconfirmed report of Saudi Defense Minister Prince Sultan suggesting that Kuwait cede part of its territory to Iraq.

That report was ''a major catalyst'' to the downward movement of the market,

said Nauman Barakat, vice president of Merrill Lynch Futures Inc. in New York.

''The feeling is that the possibility of war is receding and perhaps evaporating entirely,'' Barakat said.

The prince is the brother of Saudi King Faud and ''if he made that statement urging Kuwaiti flexibility, that clearly is the order of the day,'' Barakat said.

Asked what might have prompted Sultan's suggestion of Kuwaiti concessions, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater replied: ''That I don't know. But we have been informed by the Saudi ambassador that there's no change in their policy this morning.''

He added, ''We are informed that ... they continue to believe the U.N. sanctions are effective and will work and should be pursued.''

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#90295u2037 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (OCT. 22) UPI - Georgia Power Co. said Monday it would not contest a $40,000 fine proposed by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the utility's failure to warn of an emergency situation at the Plant Vogtle atomic power station.

Georgia Power declared a site area emergency March 20 after a truck hit a utility pole, knocking out power to a reactor cooling system.

No injuries or health hazards were reported at the plant or in surrounding Burke County, and no radiation was released.

Tal Wright, Georgia Power spokesman, said the utility would not contest the penalty. ''And we will not ask our customers to pay for it,'' Wright said.

Wright said Georgia Power has reviewed its offsite notification procedures as a result of the accident.

''The company has taken prompt and extensive corrective action to prevent a recurrence,'' Wright said.

The plant, located near Waynesboro, experienced a power loss to Unit 1 when a truck in the low voltage switchyard backed into a support column for an offsite power line.

An emergency diesel power generator failed to operate properly for 36 minutes, resulting in declaration of a site area emergency.

Plant personnel failed to make initial emergency notification to the Burke

County Emergency Operations Center and the Georgia Emergency Management Agency Operations Center within the required 15 minutes.

The NRC said it was about an hour before notification was received because the power was knocked out to the plant's emergency notification network.

The NRC said plant personnel failed to use an emergency notification system located nearby in the plant's technical support center.

Georgia Power did notify the NRC within the prescribed time and notified South Carolina within 17 minutes. But the NRC said the agency was particularly concerned with the Georgia failure because most of the residents of the emergency planning zone are in Burke County.

The NRC said the base civil penalty for the violation was $80,000 but that it was reduced by half because of the company's ''prompt and extensive corrective actions to prevent recurrence.''

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#90295u2058 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 430.84, up 0.95 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90295u2059 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Stocks closed mixed in moderate trading Monday after a record plunge in oil prices sparked a rebound from a sharply lower opening, but the blue-chip Dow industrials could not sustain a late advance.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which surged 68.07 Friday for a gain of 122 points on the week, lost 4.70 to close at 2516.09.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index added 1.12 to 171.52 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 2.28 to 314.76. The price of an average share gained 19 cents.

Advances led declines, 840-724, among the 1,992 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to 152,650,000 shares, down sharply from 221, 714,890 shares traded Friday.

Stocks opened sharply lower, with the Dow down almost 30 points, as traders took profits from the powerful rally last week.

But then oil prices opened about $3 a barrel lower as fears of war in the Mideast began to fade amid reports that Iraqi troops have begun withdrawing from parts of Kuwait. The report, though sketchy, gave rise to the belief that chances of war in the region are becoming much slimmer.

Despite the oil plunge, two attempts to rally the Dow into the plus column failed, until oil fell through the $28 a barrel mark.

''We were really getting beaten up here until we realized oil ws falling through the sky,'' said Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King & Associates in Albany, N.Y. ''That's why we came back.''

But profit taking as well as concerns about the economy and corporate earnings kept a lid on stocks, Doran said, and while the Dow managed a small gain in the afternoon, when oil prices came off their lows in late trading, the Dow lost its gains and fell back into the minus column.

Those concerns manifested themselves in the action in a few Dow stocks, which depressed the average. General Electric tumbled after a weekend article in Barron's about its financial services unit raised concerns about the division may fare in a troubled economic environment.

Westinghouse hit a 52-week low, pressured by selling tied to reports that analysts have soured on the stock. And Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing fell sharply after forecasting a lackluster fourth quarter.

''There are still major concerns dealing with the economic environment out there,'' said Doran. ''There are concerns about the budget and the recessionary tones out there. And even though some companies have done better than anticipated, people are still trying to look out three to six months to see what companies are going to do.''

On the trading floor, GE was the most active issue, sinking 1 3/4 to 53 3/4. It called the Barron's article speculative and misleading and reiterated its prediction of double-digit growth in earnings per share this year.

Philip Morris followed, up 1/8 to 48 1/2.

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. was third, up 7/8 to 33 3/4, reversing a plunge of almost $9 a share late last week after saying it would take charge-offs of $124 million in the third quarter against reserves on its multi- and single-family mortgage portfolios.

Federal National Mortgage Association was also active, up 1 1/8 to 29, after saying it expects record earnings for 1990 despite real estate- related problems in the banking industry.

Among the other blue chips, Westinghouse lost 1 1/4 to 25 and 3M tumbled 1 1/8

to 78 7/8, pressuring the Dow. AT&T was off 1/8 at 33 3/8, but IBM rose 1/8 to 107 3/4, American Express added 1 to 19 7/8, Merck gained 1 1/8 to 82 1/8 and General Motors rose 7/8 to 38 3/4.

Elsewhere, oil issues were little changed to slightly lower even as oil prices plummeted. Texaco was unchanged at 58, Chevron lost 1/2 to 70 1/4 and Exxon dipped 1/4 to 49 5/8.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 185,906,170 shares, compared with 256,051,990 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index lost 1.48 to 292.23. Declines led advances 338-245 among the 816 issues traded. The price of an average share dipped 4 cents. Composite volume totaled 14,220,700 shares vs. 15, 367,070 traded Friday.

Continental Airlines Holdings led the Amex issues, up 1/8 to 6.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index gained 3.76 to 341.12.

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#90295u2071 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 22) UPI - Ron Meyer, coach of the Indianapolis Colts, received a death threat Monday but said he does not fear someone will try to kill him and even joked that death might ease the pain of the team's latest loss.

''I do not fear for my safety,'' Meyer said. ''I guess I've had these before but I just can't remember when. I'm not worried about it.''

Meyer has not sought police protection, although he said he has sent the letter to the NFL's security division. Meyer also said with a laugh that death would ease the pain of Sunday's 27-17 loss to Denver.

''I hope he finds me and puts me out of my misery. Believe me, it's tough,'' Meyer said. ''That was a bitter one. I'm taking this worse than others. I'm taking this tougher than some of the (upset) New England losses. Maybe it was high expectations.

''The ego letdown, the tremendous deflation of emotions, I haven't recovered from it. But we can't and won't allow it to go on.''

Jack Trudeau was named starting quarterback for next Sunday's game with AFC East co-leader Miami. Rookie quarterback Jeff George, sidelined with a

strained abdomen the past three games, said he expects to be ready this week but Meyer wants to be cautious to avoid long-term problems with the injury.

''I don't have any pain,'' George said. ''It feels healed. Everything I've been doing has felt fine. I'll start practicing Wednesday and let the coaches decide.''

Eric Dickerson ran 9 times for 55 yards Sunday in his first game back off the non-football injury list. He was disappointed not to have a reception but expects more action as a runner and receiver as he becomes more familiar with the changes in the Colts' system.

''The stuff came pretty easy,'' Dickerson said. ''It was about what it was last year.''

Trudeau expects better use of Dickerson over time.

''As he gets more used to the plays, he will get the ball more,'' Trudeau said. ''We will get a lot more used to throwing to him and looking for him.''

The Colts remained last in NFL rushing with just 62.7 yards a game on the ground. Miami's defense is rated second in the NFL and third against the rush. Indianapolis is 4-0 against the Dolphins with Dickerson and 0- 9 against Miami without him in the lineup.

Dickerson needs 72 yards to pass John Riggins for fifth on the NFL all-time rushing list. Dickerson has 11,281 career rushing yards and moved past O.J. Simpson into sixth on the career list Sunday.

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#90295u2085 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds: Affliated Fund 9.10 9.76

Anchor Fund Inv	14.34	15.21
Delaware Mutual	16.49	17.68
Fidelity Fund	15.97	15.97
Investors Mutual	10.56	11.12
Investors Stocks	17.80	18.74
Investors Select	8.30	8.73
IDS Equity Plus	8.60	9.05
Mass Inv Growth	7.92	8.54
Nicholas Fund	3.03	3.03
United Accumulated	6.01	6.57
United Income	16.06	17.55
Vanguard Wellington	16.06	16.84

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#90295u2133 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT 22) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Suspended				
Boulevard Bancorp				
Del-Val Financial Corp				
Increased				
BSB Bancorp	Q	.18	12-10	11-23
Deprenyl Research	Q	c-.09	12-14	11-23
Dominion Resources	Q	.86	12-20	11-30
Zurn Industries Inc	Q	.22	1-15	12-14
Initial				
Centura Banks	..	.15	12-15	11-30
First Fedl Svngs Bank	..	.20	11-30	11-15
Usual				
Atlantic Richfield	Q	1.25	12-15	11-16
Baker Hughes Inc	Q	.11 1/2	11-21	11-2
California Fncl Hldg	Q	.10	11-15	11-1
Citizens Security GI	Q	.02	11-21	11-7
Donegal Group Inc	Q	.06	11-12	10-29
Fourth Fincl Corp	Q	.22	12-1	11-15
Frkln Multi-Income Tr	M	.0895	11-15	10-31
Frkln Principal MT	M	.07 1/4	11-15	10-31
Frederick's of Hlwood	S	.03 1/2	12-19	11-19
Great Western Fncl	Q	.21	11-30	11-5
Johnson & Johnson	Q	.34	12-4	11-20
Marine Corp	Q	.13	2-1	1-17
Merrill Lynch	Q	.25	11-21	11-2
Security Fncl Hldg	..	.12 1/2	11-9	10-29
United Dominion Indus	Q	.05	12-31	12-7
Virco Mfg Corp	..	.04	12-7	11-21

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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#90295u2199 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (UPI) - President Bush vetoed the Civil Rights Act of 1990 Monday, becoming just the third president in history to veto a major civil rights bill.

''I deeply regret having to take this action ... since it contains certain provisions that I strongly endorse,'' said Bush, citing the measure's stated

objective of combating race and sex discrimination in the workplace.

But the president said, reiterating his longtime opposition to the bill, the measure would also ''introduce the destructive force of (hiring) quotas into our nation's employment system.''

In a letter to Capitol Hill, Bush again called on lawmakers to promptly pass the compromise bill he offered late Saturday. The president maintains his measure would provide equality in the workplace without quotas.

But many legislators and civil rights advocates have already rejected his proposal as a political sham that would gut civil rights. They also maintain that the bill he voted would create no quotas.

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., a chief sponsor of the civil rights bill, called Bush's veto of the measure ''a sad day for America's ideals'' and said, ''Now it is up to Congress'' to try to override it.

The chances of overidding the veto appear slim. Although the bill passed the House and Senate by overwhelming margins last week, neither chamber had the two-thirds majority needed for an override.

Kennedy said, ''The vast majority of Democrats will vote to override the president's veto. Whether this bill becomes law will be determined by Republican members.''

He said, ''Perhaps out of loyalty to the president, they are willing to put principle aside. But sometimes, loyalty asks too mcuch - and this is one of those times.''

While it is questionable whether Congress will be able to override the veto, it is also doubtful that lawmakers will swiftly pass Bush's alternative measure before this session of Congress adjourns this week.

''We're just going to have to deal with this again next year,'' said Rep. Augustus Hawkins, D-Calif., another chief sponsor.

The bill, one of the most thorny issues between the White House and Capitol Hill this year, would reverse several recent Supreme Court decisions that supporters say made it more difficult for women and minorities to prove discrimination in the workplace.

Ralph Neas, executive director of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, said only two other presidents vetoed a major civil rights bill - Andrew Johnson in 1866 and Ronald Reagan in 1988.

''This veto will define the Bush presidency,'' said Neas, predicting the action would hurt the president among minorities and women.

Bush, in vetoing the bill, rejected pleas and advice from members of Congress, including several members of his own party, as well as minorities, women and labor and the U.S. Civil Rights Commission.

Instead, he embraced the counsel of his top lawyers, who maintained that the bill, despite arguments to the contrary, would indeed lead to hiring quotas.

Bush, in his veto letter to Congress, said, ''Our goal and our promise has been equal opportunity and equal protection under the law. That is a bedrock principle from which we cannot retreat.''

But, he said, ''when our efforts, however, well intentioned, result in quotas, equal opportunity is not advanced but thwarted. The very commitment to justice and equality that is offered as the reason why this bill should be signed requires me to veto it.''

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#90295u2204 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - A report out today says nearly one-third of all black Americans who died in 1987 would have survived had they ''lived under the same health conditions as whites.'' American Health magazine... working with the National Center for Health Statistics... says lifestyle differences, genetics, racism and poverty affect death rates. The magazine also says one clear, fixable cause of the gap is the lack of good medical care for blacks.

In El Salvador, finance ministry workers were joined by sympathizers today in defying a Salvadoran government threat to jail them if they staged a strike. The workers walked off the job, demanding a pay increase and improved fringe benefits. The government has accused the strikers of having links to an insurgent group and of trying to destabilize the nation.

Thousands of board games will be sent to bored U-S troops in the Saudi Arabian desert this week as part of ''Operation R and R.'' University Games of Menlo Park, California, is donating the diversions... which include a Dick Tracy game and a game called Charado... described as ''charades with dough instead of body movements.'' Up until now... one of the main entertainments for the troops has been to race insects in the desert.

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#90295u2260 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - American Express Co. said Monday it earned $344 million, or 74 cents a share, in the third quarter, a 3.6 percent gain over profits of $322 million, or 77 cents a share, in the year-ago period.

The lower earnings per share reflected a greater number of shares of stock

outstanding in the latest quarter.

But the company's earnings for the first three quarters were only $44 million, or 4 cents a share, vs. $900 million, or $2.09 a share in the 1989 period.

The effects of a $620 million loss in the 1990 first quarter, caused by heavy investment in the troubled Shearson Lehman Hutton Inc. investment firm, which has been reorganized as Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc., continued to be felt.

American Express reported revenues in the 1990 third quarter of $6.1 billion, down from $6.5 billion in the year-earlier period.

''The strengths of our products and services and our diverse revenue streams enabled our businesses to continue to perform well despite the difficult economic environment,'' said American Express Chairman James Robinson III in a statement accompanying the quarterly results.

The results were released after the close of the New York Stock Exchange, where the price of American Express stock finished at $19.875, up $1.

The charge card, travel services, banking and securities group said quarterly earnings were at record levels in three main business units. Card charge volume rose 13 percent to $27.9 billion from $24.8 billion, the company said.

The travel related services unit earned $277 million, up 15 percent from the year-ago quarter. IDS Financial Services had profits of $56 million, up 18 percent. Information Services Corp. earned $27 million, up 24 percent.

London-based American Express Bank showed quarterly earnings of $35 million, up from $21 million one year before.

The Shearson investment subsidiary, in which American Express expanded its stake earlier this year to 75 percent from 61 percent at considerable cost and some damage to its prestige, reported paper-thin profits of $13 million, downfrom the $66 million earned in the same quarter of 1989.

But American Express said it sustained a $5.4 million loss on its interest in Shearson, against $41 million profit in the year-ago period, after paying out preferred dividends and accounting for minority interests.

American Express said Shearson's results reflected ''a continued industrywide slowdown, the difficult economic environment and a reduction in the number of financial consultants'' at the Wall Street firm. Shearson lost $915 million in the first quarter after allocating $630 million for restructuring.

Shearson had total revenues of $2.5 billion, off 23 percent from $3.3 billion in the year-earlier quarter. American Express said the drop was mainly due to ''decreased interest and dividend revenues.''

The investment firm earned $155 million from investment banking, against $205 million in the year-earlier period. Commission revenues were $393 million vs. $522 million in the earlier period. Income from market-making and principal transactions was $299 million, off from $321 million.

Shearson's assets under management totaled $78.8 billion at Sept. 30, against $90.5 billion 12 months earlier.

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BOSTON (OCT. 23) UPI - Fidelity Investments - the world's biggest operator of mutual funds - said Monday it is clamping down on its market-timing clients, who try to profit by switching money from one fund to another in anticipation of stock market swings.

The company bluntly warned would-be switchers to forget about trying to make any further switches on the recommendation of a particular market newsletter.

The decision could affect many thousands of Fidelity customers, including some who either hold shares in or want to switch into the Magellan Fund, its biggest fund.

The company said it has identified an undisclosed number of its customers who in the past year have repeatedly shifted money from one Fidelity fund to another on the recommendations of a market-timing newsletter that Fidelity would not name.

But the next time the newsletter urges a switch, ''we will not accept your telephone exchange order into our domestic growth or growth and income funds '' J. Gary Burkhead, president of Fidelity Management & Research Co., said in a letter to shareholders that was obtained by United Press International.

Burkhead urged customers to ''reexamine your investment strategy and come to view your investments ... with a long-term perspective,'' Burkhead said.

Otherwise, Burkhead said, market-timers should take their business elsewhere.

He said, ''we firmly believe that discouraging market-timing in our funds is in the best interests of all our shareholders.''

A company spokeswoman, Jeannette Akers, said the unnamed newsletter has recommended five switches in the past year. ''We've been watching our business and seen the pattern develop,'' Akers said. ''Five is a lot and this letter has gone to the shareholders we've identified as having been involved in a majority of those switches.''

Switching is harmful to all shareholders of a fund, Burkhead said, because the moving of a big percentage of a fund's shares ''can disrupt a portfolio manager's strategy and ultimately have a negative impact on fund performance.''

However, before the 1987 stock market crash, Fideltiy provided hourly telephone quotes on many of its funds.

A. Michael Lipper, whose company, Lipper Analytical Services Inc. of Summit, N.J., monitors fund performance, said wholesale switching can hurt a fund's other shareholders two ways.

''Typically it not only creates transaction costs (for the fund), but also works agains the trend that the portfolio manager is trying to establish if he's trying to build cash and they redeem on him or he's trying to get fully invested and they give him cash. And there's concern that other shareholders are being hurt by this.''

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#90295u2300 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

MONTREAL (OCT. 23) UPI - Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. Inc. completed its $199.75 million purchase Monday of 69 Miracle Foodmart supermarkets in the Toronto, Ontario, area from Steinberg Inc.

The deal, announced in late July, was part of a plan by Steinberg's parent company, Socanav Inc., to reduce its long-term debt.

Socanav paid $1.1 billion for Steinberg in August, 1989 and since then has been trying to cut the takeover cost.

Socanav put Steinberg's Ontario supermarket chain up for sale in June, a day before saying it was taking its Arizona grocery chain, Smitty's Super Valu Inc., off the auction block.

A&P, based in Montvale, N.J., is a subsidiary of West German retailer Tengelmann Warenhandelsgellschaft.

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#90295u2303 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (UPI) - Players likely to be chosen in the first round of the NBA draft or the first two rounds of the NFL draft can purchase disability insurance through a program announced Monday by the NCAA.

The program also makes low-interest loans available to all eligible athletes to finance the policy premium.

''I''m pleased that the association has been able to move ahead with the

disability-insurance program,'' said NCAA Executive Director Dick Schultz. ''It fills a need for elite athletes in football and basketball. They now can insure themselves against a disabling injury ''injury

Football players can buy up to $1.8 million in coverage and basketball players can insure themselves for up to $2.7 million. Insurance companies would determine which players were eligible for the coverage.

Schultz said many players wanted the coverage but could not but it because banks were reluctant to issue a loan for the premiums. Through an agreement between the NCAA and United Missouri Bank of Kansas City, athletes approved for coverage automatically will qualify for a loan to pay the premium. The loan, which would be issued at below-market rates, would be repaid after the athlete signs a professional contract.

Schultz said he wanted the NCAA to get involved in the insurance programs because ''agents have been using disability and catastrophic medical insurance to get a handle on top athletes.

''This program guarantees that all those who qualify for coverage can get a loan fo the full premium with just their signature. We believe this will help athletes and coaches deal with unscrupulous agents,'' he said.

Schultz said the NCAA is prepared to cover any losses that would result from the plan.

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#90295u2305 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 22) UPI - While Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter sought foreign backing for agricultural trade reform, U.S. sugar growers and processors withdrew Monday their support for the government's proposal for freer trade.

''This plan will not achieve a level playing field,'' the American Sugar Alliance said in criticizing what the organization termed a ''weakened'' plan outlined in the final U.S. position paper.

Crucial trade negotiations, which cover 15 topics, are scheduled to conclude in early December.

Agricultural trade is one of the thorniest issues at the talks, which are being held under the auspices of the Geneva-based General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Several nations have indicated they will block an overall agreement if there is no satisfactory settlement on agriculture.

The United States initially proposed elimination of export subsidies and other

trade-distorting farm subsidies and trade barriers. The final U.S. plan calls for a 90 percent reduction in export subsidies and a 75 percent cut in unfair subsidies and barriers.

Carolyn Cheney, head of the American Sugar Alliance, said the alliance prefers the original proposal, rather than a ''partial and inequitable rollback.''

Eiler Ravnholt, who represents Hawaiian sugar growers, said the European Community has such a high sugar subsidy that its producers still could get a support price above their cost of production, while U.S. supports would fall below it.

''We would find it difficult to survive,'' Ravnholt said.

Meanwhile, Yeutter opened a one-week trip through South America with an appeal to Chileans to press for dismantling of farm trade barriers.

''Chile ... has done a great deal to advance agricultural trade reform,'' he said in a speech prepared for the Chilean Council of Foreign Relations. ''I commend you and thank you for that, and also ask for your continuting help in pushing the (negotiations) to a successful conclusion.''

Chile is a member of the so-called Cairns Group, which wants an immediate reduction in subsidies. Argentina and Brazil, the two other nations on Yeutter's itinerary, also are Cairns Group members.

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#90295u2332 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - As promised... President Bush today vetoed the Civil Rights Act of 1990. The president said he deeply regretted the action because he endorses some parts of the bill. But he says the bill would also introduce what he called ''the destructive force'' of hiring quotas. Bush again called on lawmakers to pass his version of the bill. Democratic Senator Edward Kennedy says the veto marks ''a sad day for America's ideals.''

It looks as though taxes might go up for wealthy Americans. White House and congressional budget negotiators appear to agree on raising the top income tax rate from 28 percent to 31 percent. Bargainers in Washington are also deciding how- NOT whether- to take more from people with incomes higher than one-Million dollars a year. An increase in the gasoline tax is also in the works... but the amount depends on the new income tax revenues.

Oil prices plunged on world markets today amid rumors and speculation that a Persian Gulf war is UNlikely. In New York, West Texas Intermediate crude for November delivery dropped a record five-dollars- 41 cents from its Friday close... to 28-dollarscents a barrel. That's a 16 percent decline on the day. The previous New York Mercantile Exchange record decline came on August 27th

when West Texas oil dropped four-dollars a barrel.

A national survey of fifth and sixth graders reveals one out of five youngsters say they have seen drugs or alcohol at school, shopping malls or where they hang out. The youths most commonly see beer and cigarettes... but also spot marijuana, cocaine and crack. Half of the sixth graders say they know of youngsters who have either smoked cigarettes, consumed liquor or used drugs. .

The telephone poll of 250 fifth graders and 250 sixth graders was conducted by Drug Abuse Resistance Education, a project sponsored by Kentucky Fried Chicken.

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#90295u2348 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - House and Senate negotiators reached agreement today on clean air legislation. The compromise bill won approval after a long weekend of bargaining. The measure aims at cutting urban smog, acid rain and toxic pollution from factories. It now goes to the House and Senate for a vote and then on to President Bush for his signature.

One of the youths accused in the gang rape and beating of a woman jogger in New York's Central Park broke down at his trial today. Kharey Wise jerked forward in his seat, vomited and shouted... ''I caN'T take it, NO, NO, NO, NO.'' Four court officers rushed to the side of the 18- year old youth as he sobbed and cried out. The judge later reprimanded Wise for the outbreak.

A jury in Portland, Oregon, began deliberations today in the case of a California white supremacist accused of inciting racist skinheads to kill a black man. The jury took the case after defendant Tom Metzger called the suit against him a groundless vendetta. Metzger also waved an empty black lunchbox to symbolize the evidence against him.

Commuters in San Francisco created a monstrous gapers' block this morning when they slowed down to see an UNusual sight... a humpback whale beached near Candlestick Park. A spokeswoman for the nearby Marine Mammal Center says the endangered leviathan may have been ill or lost. Three people splashed water on the whale to keep it from drying out before it worked itself free. It was last seen heading for the Golden Gate Bridge.

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#90295u2352 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (OCT. 23) UPI - Nickel producer Inco Ltd. and Consolidated TVX Mining Corp. announced plans Monday to join forces and create a new major international gold company.

The new company - TVX Gold Inc. - would begin operations in January with

interests in six gold mines in Canada, the United States, Brazil and Chile, merging Inco's gold division and Consolidated TVX.

Ian Telfer, president of Consolidated TVX, said his company was ''essentially buying all of the assets of Inco Gold and issuing shares to do it.''

Consolidated TVX will issue 71 million shares to Inco, expanding to about 122 million the number of shares outstanding.

Telfer said TVX Gold will be an independent, stand-alone company with one major shareholder, Inco.

Inco will have a 58 percent interest in the new company, with Consolidated TVX's existing shareholders controling the remaining 42 percent, Telfer added.

The proposed transfer of gold interests from both Inco and Consolidated TVX has been approved by the companies' boards of directors. However, the deal is not expected to close until mid-January after due diligence studies, regulatory approval and Consolidated TVX shareholder approval.

In 1991, TVX Gold's share of production from the mines would be about 350,000 ounces of gold and silver, rising to more than 400,000 ounces in 1992.

TVX Gold would be a low-cost producer with an average cash production cost of less than $200 an ounce - well below the current spot level on commodity markets of about $370 an ounce.

Eike F. Tatista, chairman of Consolidated TVX, is set become chairman of the new company.

Inco would transfer to TVX Gold: 60 percent of its operating interest in the Casa Berardi gold mining properties in Quebec, a 50 percent operating interest in the Mineral Hill mining property in Montana, a 50 percent interest in the Crikas gold mine in Brazil and interests from three other Canadian mines.

Consolidated TVX would add a 50 percent interest in the La Coipa gold and silver mine in Chile and from Brazil, a 23 percent interest in the Brasilia mine and a 49 percent interest in the Novo Astro mine.

TVX Gold would have more than seven million ounces of reserves at the outset.

Both Consolidated TVX, a gold mining company, and Inco, one of the world's leading nickel producers, are headquarted in Toronto.

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#90295u2353 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 22) UPI - Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. paid out more than

$323 million to policyholders suffering from AIDS or infected with the HIV virus between 1986 and 1989, a company spokeswoman said Monday.

In 1986, the insurer paid $3.2 million in personal life insurance claims to 344 people suffering from the deadly acquired immune deficiency syndrome or having the HIV virus, but three years later those figures more than doubled, said Metropolitan Life spokeswoman Elaine Wagner.

She said 874 claimants received $8.9 million in 1989.

In payments to people infected with the HIV virus, the company paid $26.6 million in 1986, a number which rose to $153.3 million in 1989 - representing a 476 percent increase, Wagner said. Testing positive for the HIV virus precedes a carrier developing full-blown AIDS.

The spokeswoman said the insurer was likely to continue paying out more claims to AIDS- and HIV-related individual and group claims, as the insurance industry, by nature, is vulnerable to epidemics.

A 1987 Society of Actuaries study forecast that by the year 2000, the industrywide cost of all AIDS-related group and individual life insurance claims from those insured in 1986 could total $50 billion, Wagner said.

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#90295u2367 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

ORLANDO, Fla. (OCT. 22) UPI - Chase Manhattan Corp.'s incoming chairman said Monday he expected the U.S. real estate slump, the main reason why his bank posted a $623 million loss in the third quarter, will stretch into 1991.

''It is my belief that the real estate market isn't going to get better tomorrow,'' said Thomas Labrecque, who will formally take over the reins of the second-largest U.S. bank from Willard Butcher Oct. 31. ''I think we have at least two or three quarters where it is going to get worse.''

But Labrecque said Chase is poised to go forward after initiating a sweeping - and costly - reorganization in the third quarter. The company set aside $1 billion to cover lending losses and the cost of cutting 5, 000 jobs.

''We have done the major things we thought we had to do and we intend to move forward,'' he told reporters at the American Bankers Association's convention.

Labrecque said 3,000 Chase employees have already departed and the remaining 2,000 will be gone by year's end. The next step is to bolster Chase's position in individual banking, corporate finance and information technology.

''We are developing plans to bust out in each one of the three,'' he said, declining to set a timetable for the plan's execution.

Labrecque said Chase executives are confident the bank will meet its targets in the fourth quarter and after. The bank has predicted core earnings of $140 million in the fourth quarter of this year.

Asked whether Chase was in any discussions regarding a possible merger with another large bank, Labrecque answered flatly, ''No.''

But he did expand on the broad theme of mergers in the industry shakeout many analysts expect.

''The options are as strong in the non-bank sector as they are in the banking sector,'' he said, meaning that bank mergers should be made with financial industry partners bringing diversification.

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#90295u2390 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 22) UPI - A federal judge, using a novel sealed competitive-bidding procedure, has selected a New York law firm for the potentially lucrative right to head 20 class-action securities suits against Oracle Systems Corp.

Four law firms vied for the chance to be selected lead counsel in the series of lawsuits, representing hundreds of shareholders seeking millions of dollars in damages.

U.S. District Judge Vaughn Walker selected the 11-lawyer New York firm of Lowey, Dannenberg, Bemporad, Brachtl & Selinger, which specializes in securities and corporate finance.

About 20 suits were filed between Feburary and March against the Belmont, Calif.-based Oracle when the software company's stock plummeted 31 percent after an announcement of low first-quarter earnings.

There are also allegations that six Oracle officers reaped huge profits by selling 645,000 common shares before the March 27 earnings disclosure.

Oracle has consistently denied any wrongdoing.

Richard Dannenberg Monday likened the firm's selection to being named chairman of the board for a corporation, with responsiblities to direct the operation.

The decision will also allow the firm to collect the largest share of the fees should the shareholders prevail.

Walker's aim in ordering bids was to keep the costs of the litigation down and end the nasty name-calling by plaintiffs' lawyers that marked a May 4 hearing

over which firm would be appointed lead counsel in the case.

When Walker announced his order to submit sealed bids for the case, two groups promptly buried the hatchet and asked in August for joint leadership of the case. They submitted a single pretrial cost budget estimate of $460,000 to $780,000.

Walker rejected the proposal stating the plaintiffs have shown a ''virtual allergy to price competition.''

Lowey Dannenberg's offer placed a $325,000 cap on litigation expenses.

Traditionally, fees for plaintiffs lawyers in class actions have been set by the judge at the end of the case, based primarily on the number of hours the lawyers worked on the case.

The courts also factor in the difficulty of the case and the risk it would succeed when figuring attorney contingency fees.

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#90295u2424 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 22) UPI - The U.N. Security Council deadlocked Monday on how to reprimand Israel for rejecting a request to send a U.N. team to investigate the killings of at least 20 Palestinians on Jerusalem's Temple Mount.

The council recessed after more than an hour of closed-door discussions on two documents to blame Israel for Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar's failure to carry out the inquiry into the Oct. 8 incident on the Temple Mount.

Diplomats said the U.N. leader told the 15-member council he is still interested in sending the U.N. team to Jerusalem for an independent inquiry into the shootings carried out by Israeli troops.

The council voted unanimously Oct. 12 to condemn ''acts of violence'' by Israeli forces in putting down the riots on the Mount and ordered Perez de Cuellar to provide a report on the incident before the end of October.

Israel strongly rejected the resolution and any U.N. involvement in the investigation.

The Israeli government had decided to conduct its own investigation and said it would provide the U.N. leader with its findings. Israel said thousands of rock-throwing Palestinians attacked Jewish worshipers, forcing an armed intervention by Jerusalem police.

The diplomats said negotiations may resume Tuesday on whether to issue a

statement by the president of the council, British Ambassador David Hannay, or to vote on a resolution drafted by non-aligned countries.

Hannay told reporters after the failed negotiations that the council had difficulties to decide which way to convey the blame to Israel. He said more discussions will be held.

The five permanent members of the council - the United States, the Soviet Union, China, France and Britain - supported Hannay's prepared statement, which expresses the council's ''deep regret'' at Israel's refusal to receive the U.N. team. It urges Israel to reconsider its objection, which ''can only hinder efforts aimed at reducing tensions.''

Such a presidential statement is not binding on member states but a resolution if adopted by the council, should be implemented.

The draft resolution by the non-aligned ''deplores'' the Israeli refusal and also urges that country to reconsider its decision.

Diplomats said the United States refused to endorse another resolution condemning Israel because it would deepen the hostility already existing between Washington and its ally in Jerusalem.

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#90295u2489 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 22) UPI - A chief sponsor of the Civil Rights Act of 1990 says it's now up to Congress to try to hand President Bush his first veto override. Bush vetoed the civil rights bill today because he says it would lead to hiring quotas. .

Bush says he regrets having to reject the legislation because it contained certain provisions that he strongly endorsed. The president wants lawmakers to reconsider his compromise civil rights measure, which was turned down last weekend.

There's a new mood tonight on Capitol Hill, where budget negotiators are huddled in talks aimed at producing a 500-BILLION-dollar deficit reduction agreement. Congressional leaders agree that a compromise is in sight.

Saudi Arabia's defense minister says Kuwait should give up part of its territory to Iraq... in a bid to end the Persian Gulf crisis peacefully. An exiled Kuwaiti official says his nation rejects any compromise that doesN'T include complete Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

A surrogate mother lost her bid to help raise the child she bore for an infertile couple when a Santa Ana, California, judge rejected her bid for parental rights today. The test-tube baby was created from an egg and sperm

from the couple.

Four months of debate on clean air legislation ended at dawn today with champagne toasts. House and Senate negotiators reached a final compromise agreement that would cut acid rain, urban smog and toxic air pollution from factories.

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#90295u2500 10/22/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 23) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Baltimore - Declined to exercise 1991 option on contract of pitcher Joe Price.

Seattle - Extended the contracts of coaches Gene Clines, Rusty Kuntz, Mike Paul and Bill Plummer for the 1991 season.

BASKETBALL

Atlanta - Cut guards Steve Bardo and Scott Haffner.

New Jersey - Waived forward Tom Domako.

Orlando - Waived center Wallace Bryant and guard/forward Mark Plansky.

Seattle - Released forwards Mike Giomi and Mike Higgins.

Washington - Released forward Ron Draper and guard Mike Morrison.

COLLEGE

Coastal Carolina - Named Carl McAloose sports information director.

New York University - Named Larry Baumann director of sports information.

Tennessee - Reinstated defensive end Kasey Rodgers, linebacker Dewayne Dotson and tailback Keith Jeter.

FOOTBALL

Chicago - Placed safety Maurice Douglass on injured reserve.

Cincinnati - Activated running back Ickey Woods off the physically unable to perform list.

Cleveland - Activated guard Dan Fike off the physically unable to perform

list; placed guard Ben Jefferson on injured reserve.

Green Bay - Placed offensive tackle Ken Ruettgers on injured reserve.

Houston - Signed guard Bruce Matthews to a 4-year contract extension.

HOCKEY

Edmonton - Traded center Vladimir Ruzicka to Boston for future considerations.

Minnesota - Called up goaltender Kari Takko from Kalamazoo of the International Hockey League; sent goaltender Jarmo Myllys to Kalamazoo.

OLYMPICS

U.S. Olympic Committee - Named Ron Fraser 1992 Olympic baseball coach.

SOCCER

Milwaukee (NPSL) - Signed midfielders Dean Kelly and Keith Fulk.

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#90295u2507 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - The logjam stalling the federal budget is hindering New York City's battle against the spread of AIDS. The impasse has stalled the city's program to distribute free condoms. NO condoms have been available for the past two weeks.

Government safety experts say some automatic garage door openers are fatal hazards to children. The Consumer Product Safety Commission issued an advisory today for homeowners to repair or replace garage door openers that doN'T reverse when the door strikes an object.

A dentist who broke his neck while performing as a student cheerleader for Marquette University in 1983 will receive one-point- five-Million dollars in damages. Marquette agreed to the payment to avoid a trial that was scheduled to begin today.

Singing cowboy Roy Rogers underwent heart surgery today at an Apple Valley, California, hospital to correct an aneurysm that had developed close to his heart. Rogers, who'll be 79 next month, was said to be resting comfortably in intensive care.

The art world was dealt another blow today when the National Endowment for the Arts rejected a 40-thousand-dollar federal grant for a controversial exhibit at Boston's Institute of Contemporary Art. The Institute's director accused the N-E-A of capitulating to conservative lawmakers.

Supporters of ''Bambi'' are rallying to her cause. Donations are pouring in for a defense fund for Lawrencia ''Bambi'' Bembenek... the former Playboy bunny who fled prison in Wisconsin and a life term for murder... only to be caputured last week with her boyfriend in Thunder Bay, Ontario.

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#90295u2605 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - In a move the head of the N-double-A-C-P called a ''shocking disappointment,'' President Bush today vetoed the Civil Rights Act of 1990. Bush said he regrets the action, but felt the bill would introduce hiring quotas into the job market. The president again urged lawmakers to pass his alternative bill to protect workers from discrimination. But Democratic Senator Edward Kennedy called on Congress to override the veto.

Saudi Arabia's defense minister today suggested that Kuwait give up some of its land to Iraq to settle the Persian Gulf crisis. The minister in the Saudi capital of Riyadh said there is NO harm in one Arab country's giving another ''land overlooking the sea.'' It's an apparent reference to two islands in the Gulf that Iraq has long sought to lease from Kuwait. An exiled Kuwaiti official demanded that Iraq withdraw withOUT conditions.

The Senate bogged down after taking earlier action today on a foreign aid bill that includes the transfer of 700-Million dollars in U-S military hardware to Israel. Several bitter debates on amendments forced senators to set aside the legislation until later in the week. The bill would also cancel Egypt's nearly seven-BILLION-dollar military debt to the United States.

New York City Mayor David Dinkins took a pay cut today as a followup to the Big Apple's recent fiscal problems. Dinkins cut his salary by five percent and then ordered nearly 700 top administration officials and bureaucrats to do the same. Said Dinkins- ''We have NO choice but to make our local government fit the size of our local economy. We must all bear our share of the pain.''

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#90295u2613 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 22) UPI - A lawyer for Drexel Burnham Lambert testified that he was ''concerned'' the company offered clients lucrative investment opportunities that may have violated disclosure regulations. Attorney Craig Cogut made his comment today at a pre-sentencing hearing in New York for former junk bond king Michael Milken. But Cogut says he NEVER discussed his concerns with Milken, who was convicted in April of insider trading.

A report today in American Health magazine says nearly one-third of all black Americans who died in 1987 would have survived if they ''lived under the same health conditions as whites.'' While gunfire is still the chief killer of

young black men... cancer, heart disease and diabetes hit blacks much harder than whites. The magazine says one fixable cause is inferior medical care for blacks ''at every socio-economic level.''

Egypt moved today to increase its chances of attracting more tourists to the pyramids in Giza. Cairo announced the re-opening of the third and smallest pyramid at the famed tourist site... following an 18- month renovation. That was coupled with word that 15 tombs at the site will be opened to the public for the first time in an effort to expand the attraction.

Two female coaches for a Georgia youth football league endured plenty of smirks and stares at the start of the season. The women didN'T know a lot about football but volunteered to help when men at Fort Stewart in Hinesville were deployed to Saudi Arabia. Tibby Smith says she got funny looks when she asked why players wereN'T tackling and was told it was because they were on offense. But the team of eight- and nine-year-olds now has a record of 5-1... and the women have some respect.

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#90295u2630 10/22/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 23) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Toronto	1	0	0-1
New York	3	1	1-5

First period-1, New York, Ogrodnick 3 (Miller, Mullen), 1:01. 2, New York, Miller 1 (Sheppard, Mallette), 7:21. 3, New York, Broten 1 (Turcotte, Gartner) 8:53. 4, Toronto, Franceschetti 1 (Clark, Ramage).

Penalties-Dampousse, Tor, 19:35.

Second period-5, Turcotte 6 (Ogrodnick, Leetch), pp, 7:34.

Penalties-Marsh, Tor, 2:37; Horava, NY, 3:54; Marsh, Tor 7:09; Miller, NY, 13:37; Miller, NY, major (fighting), 13:37; Berehowsky, Tor, 13:37; Berehowsky Tor, major (fighting), 13:37; Rice, NY, 16:01.

Third period-6, New York, Moller 1 (Rice, King), 2:13.

Penalties-Hardy, NY, 8:38; Nicholls, NY, 15:53; Maguire, Tor, 18:22; bench minor, NY, 19:27; Olczyk, Tor, 19:47; Gartner, NY, double-minor 19:47.

Shots on goal-Toronto 11-9-9-29. New York 18-15-13-46.

Power-play conversions-Toronto 5-0. New York 4-1.

Goaltenders-Toronto, Ing, Reese (5:04, 3rd per). New York, Richter. A-15,323.

Referee-Denis Morel.

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#90296b0005 10/23/1990 ~Business Wire
REDMOND, Wash. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Tuesday announced Microsoft OnCall for Microsoft Basic, and expanded support for Microsoft QuickBasic development system users.

OnCall for Basic offers high-level support, extended service hours and minimal hold time for all Microsoft Basic products through a 900 number. Also available is a new support line exclusively for Microsoft QuickBasic users needing entry-level assistance. Both services come in response to customer demand for faster, more sophisticated support.

''The entry-level support line meets the requirements of most customers who need assistance with installing Microsoft QuickBasic software and getting up to speed. Those who require priority support on more advanced issues now have an additional option with Microsoft OnCall for Basic,'' said Charles Stevens, general manager of Microsoft's Data Access Business Unit. Common questions from Microsoft OnCall for Basic customers include inquiries on Microsoft QuickBasic memory management, inter-language calling and error and event trapping.

Microsoft OnCall for Basic is offered through a 900 number at a cost of $2 per minute. Hold time will be minimal and customers will not be charged until they reach a technician. Extended service hours are from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. PST, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays). The Microsoft OnCall for Basic number is 1-900-896-9999.

The new standard assistance line for Microsoft QuickBasic supports Microsoft QuickBasic version 4.5 for DOS systems, and Microsoft QuickBasic version 1.0 for Macintosh systems. Technicians will help new Microsoft QuickBasic users get up and running as quickly as possible within 90 days of purchasing the program. The Microsoft QuickBasic support number is 206/646-5101. Service hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. PST, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays).

Users of Microsoft Basic Professional Development System and earlier versions of the Microsoft Basic compiler will continue to have unlimited support on the Microsoft Product Support Services for Languages and Hardware toll line: 206/637-7096. Support for all Microsoft Basic products will continue on Compuserve as well.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ ''MSFT'') develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems, languages and application programs, as well as books, CD ROM products and

hardware for the microcomputer marketplace.

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#90296b0017 10/23/1990 ~Business Wire

KANSAS CITY, MO. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - CenCor Inc. reported higher revenues and profits in the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30 compared to the same periods a year ago.

Increases were posted in all operations of the company's business.

In the third quarter, revenues were $13,911,000 compared to $11,265,000 a year before, a gain of $2,646,000 or 23.5 percent. Net income of $446,000 compared to $286,000, an increase of 55.9 percent. The per share earnings were 40 cents against 25 cents, adjusted for a one-for-five reverse stock split, effective Aug. 31. The average number of shares was 1,129,645, down from 1,156,464 shares a year earlier.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, revenues were $39,742,000 compared to $31,846,000 a year ago, an increase of 24.8 percent. Net income was $1,251,000 compared to $768,000, an increase of 62.9 percent. Adjusted for the reverse stock split, the earnings this year were equal to $1.10 a share on the average 1,140,682 shares compared to 63 cents a share on the 1,209,670 shares a year earlier.

CenCor had 58 consumer finance offices as of Sept. 30. A branch was opened in Orlando, Fla., in October. Volume of $92,933,000 was 12.5 percent greater than last year. Notes receivable of $122,871,000 represented an increase of 9.6 percent.

The number of temporary employment offices as of Sept. 30, was 15 vs. 14 a year before. A new operation in Santa Ana was acquired in October.

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GOLDEN, CO (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - ConferTech International Inc. (NASDAQ:CFER), a leading provider of audio teleconferencing bridge equipment and services, Monday announced record revenue and earnings for its third

quarter and nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reported net income for the quarter of $325,000, or 7 cents per share, a 92 percent increase over net income of $169,000, or 5 cents per share in the comparable quarter a year ago. Revenue for the quarter increased 80 percent to $4.4 million from $2.5 million in the comparable quarter.

For the nine-month period, net income increased 86 percent to $693,000, or 15 cents per share, compared to net income of $373,000, or 12 cents per share, in the same period a year ago. Revenue through nine months advanced 70 percent to $11.6 million compared to $6.8 million in the corresponding period. Through nine months, service and equipment revenue have contributed equally to overall revenue.

H. Robert Gill, president of ConferTech, said that ConferCall Service revenue for the third quarter met projections and equipment sales exceeded expectations. In addition to strong sales of the company's TEMPO(TM) product line during the quarter, ConferTech reported the first commercial sales of its high capacity ALLEGRO(TM) system.

Gill said ConferTech significantly strengthened its balance sheet during the quarter through improved controls for accounts receivable and inventory. The company eliminated about $800,000 in line-of-credit financing and closed the quarter with a cash position of more than $1 million. Also during the third quarter ConferCall capacity was expanded in anticipation of increased teleconferencing volumes.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Candle Corp. Tuesday announced the new generation of OMEGACENTER, its integrated software solution for enterprise-wide system management.

OMEGACENTER combines status monitoring, analysis, automation and remote control functions into an integrated system for monitoring MVS, CICS, IMS, VM, DB2 and VTAM. In addition, OMEGACENTER's CUA (Common User Access) interface offers ease-of-use and a shortened learning curve while supporting IBM's recently announced System View system management structure.

Three recently announced Candle products combine to make up the core of OMEGACENTER: OMEGAVIEW, the advanced status management system, collects and

consolidates enterprise service level information; OMEGAMON II for MVS, the first CUA-compliant MVS performance monitor, offers online realtime and historical MVS monitoring; and AF/PERFORMER, Candle's automated performance tool, which automatically solves major problems affecting MVS, CICS and DB2 performance and availability. COORDINATING PROBLEM RESOLUTION WITH OMEGAVIEW

''OMEGAVIEW adds new power to OMEGACENTER by making problem resolution a coordinated effort,'' said Aubrey Chernick, founder and chief executive officer of Candle. ''OMEGAVIEW's display integrates system information from the user's entire enterprise, shows it to each viewer at an appropriate level of detail and indicates who is solving the problem and when it will be solved.''

OMEGAVIEW accomplishes these goals by collecting performance information from Candle's OMEGAMON performance monitors at user-defined intervals, comparing the information to the installation's threshholds or service levels and triggering system status lights on OMEGAVIEW's customizable screens. The result is an ''at-a-glance'' overview of the health of the entire enterprise.

Candle has also added a problem-tracking feature that shows which operator or technician is addressing the problem and when it will be fixed. According to Chernick, ''With the advanced warning that OMEGAVIEW provides, our users are able to launch a coordinated effort to fix system problems, often before end users experience degraded response times.''

Corporate headquarters are in Los Angeles with 11 domestic and six international offices. The company offers customers 24-hour, seven-day service and support. In addition to the OMEGACENTER performance and automation tools, Candle markets data base tools for DBAs and application development tools (the CL product family) to assist customers with end-user productivity.

For more information on Candle's family of products, contact: Candle Corp., 1999 Bundy Dr., Los Angeles, Calif., 90025. Or call: 1-800-843-3970.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Arctic Alaska Fisheries Corp. (NYSE:ICE) Tuesday reported increased revenues and net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company also reported sharply increased revenues for the nine-month period.

Third quarter revenues were $43.6 million compared with $33.9 million a year

ago. Net income was $1.6 million, or 10 cents per share, vs. $1.4 million and 10 cents per share in the year-ago quarter.

For the nine months Arctic Alaska posted revenues of $144.0 million with net income of $13.8 million compared with revenues of $115.9 million and net income of $13.8 million in 1989. Earnings per share were 84 cents vs. 95 cents last year. Per-share earnings for the nine-month period reflect a 13 percent increase in the number of shares outstanding in 1990.

Arctic Alaska Fisheries Corp. is the largest fishing and at-sea processing company in the United States. The company's vessels operate in the 200-mile zone off Alaska catching crab and bottomfish such as pollock, cod, perch and sole. The catch is processed into a variety of seafood products that are sold in the United States, Japan and other export markets primarily under the Arctic Ice trademark.

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - National HealthCorp L.P. (ASE:NHC), one of the nation's largest long-term health care chains, announced third quarter revenues rose 14 percent to $38,478,000 from $33,861,000 a year earlier.

Income for the three months ended Sept. 30 was $3,430,000, compared to $3,611,000 for the same period last year. Earnings per unit decreased to 49 cents per unit from 52 cents per unit.

For the nine months net income increased 18 percent from $10,363,000 to $12,300,000. Revenues rose to $115,718,000 from $98,607,000, a 17 percent increase. Earnings per unit climbed to $1.77 from $1.50

The flat earnings for the quarter and the nine months are a result of escalating health insurance costs and a decrease in market value of the company's investment portfolio.

NHC President Andy Adams said results for the nine month period include the sale of a center in Canton, N.C., which represents a gain of $1,865,000, or 27 cents per unit. Highlights of the quarter include the opening of three health care centers with a total of 300 beds in Florida.

The company now owns or manages 2,634 long-term health care beds in the Sunshine State at 24 locations. In addition, Adams said the company has 1,664 beds under development or construction in five states. These beds are expected to open during the next two years.

NHC is a publicly traded limited partnership with 74 long-term health care centers and 8,887 long-term health care beds. The company's other services for the nation's elderly include Alzheimer's units, homecare programs and retirement apartments.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Genzyme Corp. (NASDAQ:GENZ) Tuesday announced that it received a positive recommendation for approval of Ceredase from the Endocrinologic and Medibolic Drugs Advisory Committee.

Ceredase is a protein replacement therapy for the treatment of Gaucher's Disease. The committee's decision was unanimous.

Genzyme Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Henri Termeer stated, ''The positive recommendation of the advisory committee for the approval of Ceredase is a major step forward toward providing treatment to patients who suffer from this debilitating disease, and will allow our planned program to go forward on schedule.

''We are delighted by the committee's decision and look forward to providing a treatment that will make a significant improvement in the quality of life for people suffering from Gaucher's Disease.'' He continued, ''Ceredase has shown very promising results in individuals who have recieved the product. This is a milestone achievement in the area of protein replacement therapy.''

Genzyme is a diversified health care products company based on the development of novel therapeutic proteins and biomaterials. The company is currently engaged in the operation of growing diagnostic products, pharmaceuticals and fine chemical businesses. The company is headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., with production and research facilities located in Cambridge and Framingham, Mass., and Maidstone and Haverhill, England, and an international sales and marketing office located in Tokyo, Japan.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Aldus Corp. (NASDAQ: ALDC) Tuesday announced that third-quarter earnings per share increased 96 percent, while revenues increased 69 percent over 1989 third-quarter results.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, Aldus reported earnings of 45

cents per share, up from 23 cents per share for the same period a year ago. Net income was $6.6 million, an increase of $3.4 million from the same period a year ago. Revenues for the quarter were $36.7 million, a $15.0 million increase over revenues of $21.7 million reported for the third quarter of 1989. Results for 1989 have been restated to include those of Silicon Beach Software Inc., which Aldus acquired through a pooling of interests in February 1990.

''Demand across our product line continued to be strong this quarter,'' remarked Bill McAleer, vice president of finance. ''The popularity of Aldus PageMaker, Aldus FreeHand, and Aldus Persuasion along with stronger than anticipated European sales, helped push our third-quarter results beyond expectations. As one of the first products adapted for the new Microsoft Windows 3.0 operating environment, PageMaker 3.01 for the PC has gained widespread acceptance worldwide since its release in June. Further, our balance sheet remains strong, with over $74.2 million in cash and marketable securities at the end of the quarter.''

Aldus Corp. creates computer software that helps people throughout the world effectively communicate information and ideas. In addition to PageMaker, the company's flagship product, the Aldus product line includes Aldus Persuasion, Aldus FreeHand, and Aldus PrePrint. The Silicon Beach Software product line includes SuperPaint, SuperCard, Super 3D, and Digital Darkroom. Aldus distributes both product lines through an international network of more than 16,000 dealers and distributors.

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DENVER (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - At its October meeting, the board of directors of Colorado National Bankshares Inc. (NASDAQ:COLC) declared a dividend of 4 cents per share.

The dividend will be paid Dec. 3, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

Colorado National Bankshares Inc. is a Denver-based bank holding company which owns 21 commercial banks, an insurance agency, a mortgage company and a leasing company. It is also manager and 50 percent owner of Rocky Mountain BankCard System Inc., a national credit card issuer and one of the largest processors of credit card transactions in the country.

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CONCORD, CALIF. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Microgenics Corp., a Concord-based medical diagnostics company, announced Tuesday the appointment of Joseph A. Fanelli to vice president, sales.

Fredric J. Feldman, Ph.D., Microgenics' president and chief executive officer, commented: 'Microgenics has reached a stage where its revenues from an expanding base of diagnostic products are rapidly increasing. The company's continued growth can best be managed with a dedicated sales organization directed by a seasoned professional.

''Joe comes to Microgenics with a wealth of experience in sales and sales management as well as an outstanding track record in business development and general management.''

With Fanelli's appointment, Robert S. Brody, formerly Microgenics' vice president, marketing and sales, becomes vice president, marketing. Brody will continue to direct Microgenics' marketing efforts as well as oversee the demands of the company's diagnostic systems program.

Microgenics Corp. is a medical diagnostics company which develops, manufactures and markets CEDIA (r) recombinant DNA-based diagnostic tests and clinical diagnostic analyzers for the hospital, clinical laboratory and physicians' office markets.

The company's diagnostic tests are based on recombinant DNA technology and represent the first advance in assay technology in 15 years.

Through its wholly owned subsidiary, BioAutoMed Systems Inc., Microgenics offers the ''ASCA,'' a cost-effective diagnostic analyzer, to the physicians' office and small laboratory market on a worldwide basis.

Microgenics, founded in 1981, is a privately held corporation based in Concord.

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MONETT, MO. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Jack Henry & Associates Inc. (NASDAQ:JKHY) Tuesday reported net income for its first quarter ended Sept. 30 1990, of $620,000, or 18 cents per share, on net company revenues of $2,951,000.

This represents a substantial increase of 28 percent in revenues and 373 percent in earnings over the comparable period last fiscal year.

In the first quarter of last year JHA had earnings of $131,000, or 4 cents per share, on net company revenues of $2,308,000. The first quarter of last year was JHA's first full quarter since redirecting its marketing efforts to its IBM-based systems after a contract dispute with Unisys Corp.

First quarter results for FY '91 reflects continued strong sales of JHA's CIF 20/20 and Silverlake System for use on IBM-based systems; consistent growth in maintenance, support and service revenues; and strong sales of IBM hardware as a result of the company's Industry Remarketer relationship with IBM.

Backlog of sales at Sept. 30, 1990, is significantly higher than at June 30, 1990, reflecting strength in the hardware and software sales arenas.

Jack Henry, chairman of the board, stated he will recommend to the board of directors this afternoon, the payment of an 8 cent quarterly dividend. However, Henry pointed out the board will consider this matter and must approve any action relative to the dividend issue.

Jack Henry & Associates Inc. provides integrated computer systems for banks and other financial institutions. JHA markets, installs and supports these in-house systems throughout the United States and overseas.

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CAMPBELL, CALIF. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Touch Communications and MIPS Computer Systems Inc. Tuesday announced an agreement for Touch to provide Government Open System Interconnection Profile (GOSIP) compliant products for MIPS RISC/os-compatible systems.

Under the terms of the agreement, Touch will integrate Alliance OSI, its family of portable GOSIP products, onto MIPS' systems. The resulting products will be marketed by both companies and will be sold directly by Touch to MIPS' customers. Touch will be supplying the Alliance FTAM and Alliance X.400 products as well as the underlying LAN and WAN GOSIP protocol stack integrated into MIPS' UNIX-based RISC/os operating system.

RISC/os-compatible workstations and systems are available from MIPS' OEMs and VARs worldwide, including Control Data Corp., Groupe Bull, Prime Computer, Pyramid Technology and others. Because these resellers have adopted MIPS' RISC/os system software as a reference platform, Touch products run unmodified

on each company's systems.

The GOSIP products supplied by Touch extend the capabilities of MIPS' workstations and systems and provide a rich suite of OSI communication capabilities that are required by international and domestic federal governments and large end-users.

The agreement will result in U.S. and U.K. GOSIP-compliant X.400 messaging and FTAM filing products for use in LAN and/or WAN environments. The Alliance products run in conjunction with other protocols, such as TCP/IP, and provide gateway capabilities for SMTP and UUCP to X.400-based networks. The first GOSIP products will be made available on MIPS systems in early 1991.

''Most of our international customers in commercial, government and technical markets now require GOSIP-compliant products,'' said Michael Szabados, MIPS' director of network marketing. ''MIPS views Touch as not only providing the best GOSIP technology available today, but also as the leader in building completely integrated GOSIP-compliant products for the future.''

Touch Communications Inc., a privately held company, was founded in March 1985 to develop communications solutions based on OSI (Open Systems Interconnection) standards such as GOSIP, MAP/TOP, and Network Management Forum (NMF).

MIPS Computer Systems Inc., is a leading supplier of RISC (Reduced Instruction Set Computing) technology for the computer system and embedded control markets. The company licenses its RISC architecture, compilers and system software to its semiconductor and system partners worldwide.

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DENVER (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - USMX Inc. Tuesday announced that it is offering to purchase shares from stockholders who, as of Oct. 5, 1990, owned less than 100 shares of USMX common stock.

The offer allows eligible stockholders to sell all, but not less than all, of their eligible shares without being charged any brokerage commission. Participating stockholders must sell all of the eligible shares they own. Partial tenders will not be accepted and there are no withdrawal rights. Participating stockholders will be paid $1.85 per share.

USMX is making the offer to provide the more than 1800 odd-lot stockholders the opportunity to sell all of their small holdings without incurring any brokerage costs. This offer is also being made to beneficial stockholders. Through this offer USMX is seeking to reduce its administrative costs associated with servicing its small stockholder accounts.

The manager of the offer, Shareholder Communication Corp., and USMX make no recommendation whether stockholders should participate in the offer. The offer is set to expire on Nov. 26, 1990, New York time, unless extended by USMX.

USMX Inc. is involved in the exploration, development, and production of gold properties in the United States. The company's stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol USMX.

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EL SEGUNDO, CA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Net earnings for the second quarter were $13.6 million, or 85 cents per share, compared with $13.5 million, or 84 cents per share, a year ago, Computer Sciences Corp. (NYSE: CSC) reported Tuesday.

Earnings were on plan and in line with Wall Street estimates, said William R. Hoover, chairman and president of the computer-services company. Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990 advanced by 13 percent to $420 million from $372 million the prior year.

"Demand for information systems and services in the commercial marketplace continues to grow and we experienced a resurgence of federal contract orders in the second quarter," said Hoover. "We look forward to a strong performance in the second half of our fiscal year."

Revenue from the combined domestic and international activities of the Consulting Group was up 36 percent to $91 million in the second quarter, and the Industry Services Group posted a 25 percent gain to $73 million.

Systems Group revenue of $256 million was 4 percent above the year-ago quarter and growth prospects for the group improved with the recent increase in federal contract awards. Contract orders in the current fiscal year totaled $800 million at the half-year mark, compared with $545 milion in orders for all of the prior fiscal year.

The company's operating income, before corporate charges, was $29.6 million, up from $28.1 million in last year's second quarter. Overall operating income margin was under that of a year ago, reflecting continued investments to build

Consulting Group operations and a decline in Systems Group's operating margin. Both Industry Services Group and European operations recorded margin improvements.

Pre-tax income was $21.4 million, level with that of last year's second quarter. Pre-tax results for the quarter just ended reflect higher corporate charges and an increase in net interest expense. The year-ago quarter included equity earnings from the company's former Infonet affiliate, which was divested late in that fiscal year.

Results for the quarter brought first-half revenues to $827 million, 16 percent ahead of the $714 million posted in the same period last year. Net earnings for the half-year were up 3 percent to $27.4 million, or $1.70 per share. In the year-ago period the company earned $26.7 million, or $1.66 per share.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Tuesday announced it has interconnected the SprintNet(sm) worldwide data network with a value-added data network operated in Germany by INFO AG, a major computer and telecommunications services provider based in Hamburg, Germany.

The interconnection now extends to German subscribers the benefits enjoyed by SprintNet users in the United States, offering them a seamless global telecommunications service through a single point of contact. For German users, the interconnection will provide a common user interface, simplified usage-sensitive pricing and enhanced international service, such as IBM/SDLC.

INFO AG provides data services in 14 cities in Germany and plans to expand service to 26 cities by the end of 1991. Additionally, INFO AG has provided satellite interconnection to its network for users in pre-unification East Germany. Its customers include major banks, insurance companies, and members of the travel and transport industries.

The INFO AG network uses US Sprint's TP4900 packet switches, which are based on state-of-the-art, 32-bit microprocessing technology and are used throughout

the SprintNet worldwide network. The common switching technology in the two networks assures high-quality service and uniform network management features.

''The interconnection of the SprintNet international and INFO AG networks is another measure of US Sprint's commitment to being the best provider of global communications services through alliances with overseas affiliates,'' said Paolo Guidi, president of Sprint International, the global telecommunications and private networks subsidiary of US Sprint.

''With this new agreement, US Sprint and INFO AG are well-positioned to meet the communications challenges of Europe 1992.''

''In searching for the finest packet-switching technology, INFO AG last year chose US Sprint,'' said Lutz Meyer-Schell, chairman of INFO AG. ''Our decision to interconnect with the SprintNet worldwide data network now will give German subscribers access to the world via the finest public network.''

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Poqet Computer Corp. Tuesday announced a series of executive staff appointments and additions to the board of directors.

Dr. Robb Wilmot, chairman, has been appointed president and chief executive officer. Dr. Stav Prodromou has been appointed vice chairman of the company, responsible for managing the development of strategic alliances. Edward Esber a member of the board since September, will serve as acting senior vice president of sales and marketing (U.S.).

In addition, Poqet announced that Tadayasu Sugita, general manager of the Personal Systems Division for Fujitsu Ltd., has joined the board of directors. The board of directors of Poqet now includes six members: Wilmot, Prodromou, Sugita, Esber, Stewart Carrell and Yasushi Tajiri.

''Poqet is poised to begin an aggressive international marketing thrust, including a major promotional campaign in the United States and Europe and the introduction of new peripheral products for use with The Poqet PC,'' said Wilmot.

''Our executive team and board has been strengthened to manage rapid sales growth, develop alliances with leading companies in the computer and telecommunications fields and develop future products.

''Poqet has been approached by a wide range of firms -- including worldwide suppliers of telecommunications, computer and time management products -- to provide the hardware for business and professional productivity tools. The creation of a management structure to develop these relationships is key to the growth of Poqet's business in these areas,'' said Wilmot.

Prodromou's appointment will focus senior management attention on the development of strategic alliances with leading companies in the communications, electronic messaging and vertical computer application arenas.

Many of these alliances will take advantage of the totally new applications made possible by ''on-the-go'' computing -- a new category in the portable computer market made possible by The Poqet PC's unique combination of 100-hour battery-life and one-pound weight in a PC using the industry standard DOS operating system.

As acting senior vice president of sales and marketing (U.S.), Esber will manage the broadening of Poqet's distribution channels. His experience in PC-based software will greatly aid the integration of existing and new products into the ''on-the-go'' computing environment. Currently, applications representing more than 60 percent by volume of all PC software are available on the PC Card media used in The Poqet PC.

Poqet (pronounced ''pocket'') Computer Corp., founded in 1988, is the leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of high-performance, truly portable personal technology products. The company's first product, The Poqet PC, received the 1989 PC Magazine Technical Excellence Award for Portable Computers and the 1989 BYTE Magazine Award of Distinction.

The privately held company is jointly owned by its founders, employees and Fujitsu Ltd. Headquartered in Sunnyvale, Poqet has operations and offices in Monterey, Calif.; Westborough, Mass.; Dallas; Marietta, Ga.; Chappaqua, N.Y.; and Hoffman Estates, Ill. Poqet also has international offices in Paris and Valbonnes, France; Langley, England; Frankfurt; Rome and Amsterdam.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Xytronyx Inc. (ASE:XYX), a San Diego-based biotechnology company, Tuesday announced that it had recently consummated the sale of 257,500 shares of its common stock at $12 per share in a private placement to a small group of international institutional investors.

The transaction was entered into in early October and yielded net proceeds to the company of approximately $2.78 million.

Xytronyx is engaged in the development and commercialization of products based on biotechnological research primarily in the areas of medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine.

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NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Fidelity Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:FFTN) Tuesday announced that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 25 cents per share.

The cash dividend is payable Nov. 16, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Nov. 6, 1990.

Commenting on the announcement, Stanley D. Overton, chairman, president and chief executive officer said: ''This is the twelfth consecutive quarterly cash dividend declared by the board of directors.

''This achievement is indicative of the financial strength of Fidelity and our positive outlook for the future. Having stockholders share in the success we are achieving remains a high priority of the board.''

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CHICAGO (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Amoco Corp. (NYSE:AN) Tuesday declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 51 cents per share of common stock to be paid Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 7, 1990.

The dividend declared Tuesday is the 379th for the company, which has paid regular quarterly dividends for 78 years.

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DALLAS (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The Southland Corp. announced Tuesday that its previously announced exchange offers have been further extended until 5:00 p.m. New York time today.

The extension is necessary to allow the company's exchange agent additional time to tabulate votes pertaining to the company's solicitation of acceptances for a prepackaged reorganization plan. Preliminary results indicate necessary approvals of the reorganization plan by each affected class.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Adobe Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ADBE) Tuesday announced its support for new technology and products from the Eastman Kodak Co. developed to improve the way color and color images are represented in digital form across different output and display devices, including personal computers, televisions, laser printers and typesetters.

Specifically, PostScript Level 2, the next generation of Adobe's industry-standard page description language, will support Kodak's Photo YCC color interchange space; and PostScript Level 2 output devices will be compatible with Kodak's new Photo CD system. Adobe also endorsed Kodak's Color Management System, a set of products designed to ensure consistent, high-quality, device-independent color reproduction.

''Kodak's efforts to ensure the consistent and high-quality application of color across multiple platforms and output devices will produce an explosion of opportunity for users and vendors alike,'' said John Warnock, Adobe's chairman and chief executive officer.

''All PostScript Level 2 color output devices -- both displays and hard copy devices -- will support the Photo YCC color space, which we believe will make them the output devices of choice for rendering images generated by Kodak's exciting new Photo CD technology.''

The PostScript Level 2 language, recently announced by Adobe, includes support for device-independent CIE-based color spaces, enabling users to specify their

choice of colors and produce consistent results on different Level 2 color output devices, independent of variations in printer technologies, ink colorants, or screen phosphers.

Photo YCC improves upon existing standards by representing more reproducible colors and improving the speed and accuracy with which color images can be digitized, stored, retrieved and displayed. Photo YCC is also designed to efficiently represent high-resolution images such as those from Kodak's recently announced Photo CD system.

Adobe Systems Inc., founded in 1982 by Dr. John Warnock and Dr. Charles Geschke, is headquartered in Mountain View. Adobe is the developer of PostScript, the industry-standard, page description language for electronic printing and publishing and Display PostScript, a device-independent graphics software component for computer displays.

In addition, the company develops and markets a line of application software products. Revenues for 1989 were over $120 million.

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OREM, UTAH (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - WordPerfect Corp. closed its third quarter with sales totalling $114.7 million, a 59 percent increase over third-quarter sales in 1989.

WPCorp year-to-date sales now total $329.5 million.

While versions of WordPerfect accounted for nearly 80 percent of sales, WordPerfect Office 3.0, WPCorp's recently upgraded office automation product, contributed a strong $4.4 million to third-quarter sales.

''We know that a lot of people are evaluating Office 3.0 as their strategic electronic messaging system for the long term. We think that these figures are the beginning of a vast office automation market that is just opening up.

''WordPerfect Corp. is in a good position to offer a complete office automation solution across the multiple platforms that are already supported by WordPerfect. We are expecting great things from WordPerfect Office,'' said Layne Cannon, WPCorp's vice president of corporate office automation.

In addition, DrawPerfect, WPCorp's presentation graphics package, continues to do well with third-quarter sales of $3.9 million.

For more information about WPCorp products, call WPCorp's Information Services

department at 801/225-5000.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Sym-Tek Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:SYMK) Tuesday announced net income of $352,000 (24 cents per share) on sales of $7,833,000 for the second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, up almost 500 percent from net income of $59,000 (4 cents per share) for the like quarter the previous fiscal year.

Sales increased 10 percent from $7,103,000 reported for the corresponding quarterly period.

With this profit, Sym-Tek has realized six profitable quarters in a row, the company's longest continued level of profitability since the third quarter of 1987.

Sales for the six months ended Sept. 30 were $16,017,000, compared with $16,171,000 for the prior year period. Net income increased to $678,000 (46 cents per share) vs. $230,000 (15 cents per share) in the six months of the previous fiscal year.

''During this quarter we realized cash flow strong enough to cut our bank borrowings by more than half, from $5,425,000 at the end of the first quarter to $2,608,000 at the end of the second quarter,'' said Ray Twigg, president.

''With backlog up 46 percent from June 30 to Sept. 30, 1990, ($5,809,000 and $8,455,000, respectively), we expect that the third quarter will produce even stronger sales and earnings than those realized in the second quarter.''

Sym-Tek Systems Inc. manufactures and sells electromechanical handlers that hear or cool integrated circuits to precise temperatures, place them into position for testing and sort them based on test results. The market for the company's products is driven by worldwide capacity increases for semiconductors as well as the continually changing packages that house integrated circuits.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - UtiliCorp United (NYSE:UCU) has recovered approximately $15 million in cash to be received over two years for its part of a recent settlement of an anti-trust lawsuit.

The legal action was related to overcharges from 1979 to 1982 by three of the company's natural gas suppliers. The overcharges were passed on to some of UtiliCorp's customers served by its Missouri Public Service and Kansas Public Service divisions. The settlement represents a recovery for overcharges, lost earnings and legal costs.

''We will achieve a very substantial recovery for our Missouri and Kansas customers,'' said UtiliCorp Chairman and President Richard C. Green Jr. ''In addition, we will recoup our legal expenses and anticipate that our divisions also will be able to recover some portion of the earnings they lost. We are extremely pleased with this settlement.''

The Missouri Public Service Commission and the Kansas Corporation Commission will determine procedures and methodology for refunding past overcharges to UtiliCorp's Missouri and Kansas customers.

In 1985, UtiliCorp joined with several other utilities, the states of Missouri and Kansas and a farm cooperative in a lawsuit against Amoco Production Company, Oxy USA Inc. and Williams Natural Gas Co. The three defendants in the lawsuit were accused of creating a monopoly and fixing prices of gas they owned on large tracts of land in south and southwestern Wyoming.

Amoco and Oxy settled their portion of the case on Sept. 25. After seven days of trial, Williams also agreed to a settlement. The case was dismissed on Oct. 4 with none of the defendants admitting guilt.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides gas and electric service to about 820,000 customers in eight states and in British Columbia. Its divisions are Missouri Public Service, Peoples Natural Gas, Michigan Gas Utilities, West Virginia Power, Northern Minnesota Utilities, and Kansas Public Service. West Kootenay Power is a Canadian subsidiary.

PSI and UtilCo Group are non-regulated subsidiaries specializing in energy and utility related enterprises.

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ALAMEDA, CALIF. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Ingres Corp., maker of the INGRES

relational database management system (RDBMS), Tuesday announced the availability of INGRES/Windows 4GL on four new UNIX-based computer platforms.

By year-end, customers will be able to use the product on Hewlett-Packard's HP-UX, IBM's RISC System/6000, Digital Equipment Corp.'s ULTRIX and ULTRIX/SQL and The Santa Cruz Operation's Open Desktop.

INGRES/Windows 4GL, currently available on Digital VAX/VMS and Sun Microsystems SPARCStations, is a visual programming tool and fourth-generation language (4GL) development system that uses a ''point-and-click,'' Macintosh-like graphical user interface (GUI) to dramatically accelerate the creation of software applications on workstations.

The availability of INGRES/Windows 4GL on the new, widely used platforms represents Ingres' commitment to provide powerful software development tools to the general marketplace, according to Chris Kenber, executive vice president of Ingres.

Hewlett-Packard, the world leader in UNIX systems sales, shipped more than $1.8 billion worth of equipment in 1989. The RS/6000 series of workstations from IBM, the world's largest supplier of computer equipment, features AIX, IBM's version of the UNIX operating system.

Digital is the world's third largest computer company and currently bundles ULTRIX/SQL, which is based on INGRES technology, with every copy of ULTRIX. SCO is the world's leading supplier of UNIX for the 386- and 486-based desktop marketplace.

''Until INGRES/Windows 4GL came along, it was difficult to use workstations as much more than $10,000 terminals,'' Kenber said. ''There simply aren't enough quality graphical applications. Now, with such a powerful tool as INGRES/Windows 4GL available on this new, broader selection of major platforms business users -- not just scientists and engineers -- can use workstations to quickly build good-looking, object-oriented applications.

Ingres Corp. is a world leader in quality information integration products and solutions for mission-critical applications. The company's primary product is the INGRES RDBMS.

Installed on 11,000 manufacturing and enterprise-wide commercial systems worldwide, and available on more than 40 types of computers including PCs and UNIX workstations, the INGRES RDBMS enables organizations to quickly access data spanning a variety of computer systems connected in a network.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Shell Oil Co. earned $227 million in the third quarter of 1990, a decrease of $113 million from the same quarter last year, President Frank H. Richardson reported Tuesday.

Earnings were heavily affected by severe distortions in oil markets caused by events in the Middle East.

''It is ironic that at the time the public perceived the oil industry was profiteering and price gouging, our oil products business lost $64 million in net income in the two months following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Crude oil prices jumped dramatically in early August, but the increase was only partially reflected in higher gasoline prices,'' Richardson said.

''In response to President Bush's request, Shell exercised restraint in passing through these cost increases to consumers. Our average gasoline price rose only 19 cents per gallon during the third quarter, while our average raw material crude oil cost increased by 39 cents per gallon. We were particularly impacted because of our position as the largest U.S. gasoline marketer and our purchases of gasoline in the open market to meet customer demand.''

Nine-month 1990 earnings were $590 million, a decrease of $551 million from the 1989 period. The decline was due to substantially lower earnings in the oil and chemical products businesses, which fell $286 million and $292 million respectively.

Cash flow from operations totaled $1,071 million for the quarter, compared with $1,011 million last year. For the nine-month period, it was $1,696 million, compared with $2,392 million in 1989. Lower earnings accounted for most of the nine-month decline.

Revenues were $6.2 billion for the quarter and $17.1 billion for the nine months, compared with $5.4 billion and $16.4 billion in the respective 1989 periods.

Earnings declined 33 percent for the quarter and 48 percent for the nine months.

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SAN MATEO, CA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Resources, Inc. (NYSE:BEN) Tuesday reported unaudited record earnings for the quarter and 12 months ended

Sept. 30, 1990.

Charles B. Johnson, president of the diversified financial services company, said net income for the quarter increased 4.1 percent, to $22.9 million from $22.0 million, or to 58 cents a share from 56 cents a year ago. Revenues for the period increased 7.9 percent to $73.6 million, compared to $68.2 million. Average shares outstanding for the quarter were 39,263,777 compared to 39,138,273.

Net income for the 12 months increased to $89.5 million from $78.6 million, or to $2.28 a share from $2.00 a share in the last fiscal year. Revenues for the fiscal year increased 13.7 percent to $287.9 million, compared to $253.3 million. Net income per share and average shares outstanding for 1989 were restated to reflect a 3-for-2 stock split declared in December 1989.

Johnson attributed the gains in net income to the increase in total net assets under management by the company's subsidiaries to more than $44.5 billion, up from $40.7 billion this time last year. Franklin Resources' main business is the management of the 56-member Franklin Group of Funds. The company has its headquarters at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, 94404.

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EL MONTE, CALIF. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Marshall Industries (NYSE:MI) Tuesday announced that its board of directors will consider the purchase by the corporation of up to 500,000 shares of its common stock as opportunities may present themselves.

Shares may be purchased from time to time in the open market or otherwise at prevailing prices.

Marshall Industries is a leading national distributor of industrial electronic components, computer products, electronic test instruments and production supplies.

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FULLERTON, CALIF. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Net income of Ropak Corp. (NASDAQ:ROPK) rose to $301,000, or 8 cents per fully diluted share, in the year's third quarter ended Sept. 30 from the $29,000, or 1 cent per share, earned in the third quarter of 1989.

The company's revenues were $26.3 million in this year's third quarter and $25.4 million in the year-earlier period.

For the year's first nine months, Ropak earned $1,563,000, equal to 42 cents per fully diluted share, up from the $904,000, or 25 cents per share, earned in the same period a year ago. Revenues for the nine months rose to $75.5 million from the $73.9 million reported for the corresponding period of 1989.

Quarterly per-share results have been restated to reflect a 10 percent stock dividend paid June 30, 1990.

Ropak Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William H. Roper said the company's suppliers have again begun to raise raw material prices and that these cost increases will be increasingly difficult to pass on in Ropak's own pricing because of slowdowns in a number of client industries. He said the reductions in business activity were particularly evident late in the third quarter.

He indicated that the company views recent cost increases as an aberration in the long-term downward trend of materials prices, but said, ''They mean that our industry's outlook will remain uncertain until the difficulties in the Mideast are resolved and energy prices stabilized.''

Roper said that although the company expects to report a favorable full-year comparison with the results of 1989, higher costs and a cooling U.S. economy could hold the 1990 increase to a lesser gain than had been expected earlier this year.

Ropak is a leading multi-national maker of plastic packaging and handling products for foods, coatings and a variety of agricultural and industrial materials. Ropak also distributes for a company in which it holds a one-third equity interest, a line of test kits for the measurement of human eye and skin irritation potential from cosmetics and household chemicals.

Ropak has 10 plants in the United States, Canada and Japan.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint will tonight receive the 1990

Exemplary Voluntary Efforts (EVE) award from the U.S. Department of Labor for its Affirmative Action accomplishments within the federal government arena.

In 1988, US Sprint won 40 percent of the FTS2000 contract, the new federal telecommunications system that began delivering advanced, cost-effective services to the government a year ago.

Cari Dominguez, national director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP), and Elizabeth Dole, U.S. secretary of labor, will present the award to US Sprint's Dave King, executive vice president and chief human resources, technology and planning officer.

The OFCCP, a division of the U.S. Department of Labor, reviews and monitors Affirmative Action programs for all federal government contractors.

''Of the more than 100,000 federal government contractors, 39 were nominated by OFCCP, and US Sprint is one of seven recognized,'' King said. ''We are proud to receive this Affirmative Action award.''

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - H.F. Ahmanson & Co. (NYSE:AHM) announced Tuesday that the board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 22 cents per share payable on Dec. 3, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 13, 1990.

H.F. Ahmanson & Co., with assets of more than $48 billion, is the parent company of Home Savings of America, the nation's largest savings and loan institution.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - UtiliCorp United (NYSE: UCU) has received an order allowing its Missouri Public Service division to increase natural gas rates by $4 million, or 14.1 percent annually.

The new rates authorized by the Missouri Public Service Commission become

effective Nov. 1, 1990.

The order is in response to a request filed in February seeking to increase rates by $4.7 million annually. The increase is needed primarily to pay for extensive gas line replacements and improvements and for increases in operating costs.

Since early 1988, Missouri Public Service has invested heavily in gas distribution system improvements throughout its service area. The expenditures are expected to continue for several years.

''We are pleased that the commission has recognized that expenditures related to gas system safety are not optional,'' said UtiliCorp Chairman and President Richard C. Green, Jr.

Even with the increase, Missouri Public Service base gas rates would be only slightly higher than they were in the mid 1980s. Gas costs to consumers have declined significantly in recent years due largely to the impact of industry deregulation. Any decrease in purchased gas costs is passed through directly to customers.

The average monthly bill for a residential customer using 10,000 cubic feet of gas will increase from $48.21 to $57.03. Missouri Public Service distributes gas to about 40,500 customers in 26 communities located in north-central and west-central Missouri.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides gas and electric service to about 820,000 customers in eight states and in British Columbia.

Its divisions are Missouri Public Service, Peoples Natural Gas, Michigan Gas Utilities, West Virginia Power, Northern Minnesota Utilities and Kansas Public Service. West Kootenay Power in British Columbia is a Canadian subsidiary. PSI and UtilCo Group are non-regulated subsidiaries specializing in energy and utility related enterprises.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Grubb & Ellis Realty Income Trust (NASDAQ/NMS:GRIT) Tuesday reported 1990 third quarter net income of $234,000, or 8 cents per share, from revenue of $620,000.

This compares to net income of $376,000, or 14 cents per share, from revenue of $733,000 for the like period last year. The REIT reported net income of $953,000, or 33 cents per share, from revenue of $2,110,000 for the first nine

months of 1990. Net income for the comparable period in 1989 was $1,060,000, or 39 cents per share, from revenue of $2,015,000.

The REIT also announced that a contract has been finalized for the sale of the Livermore Arcade Shopping Center to Hopkins Development Co. at approximately the property's appraised value. Under the terms of the contract, Hopkins will pay for the clean up of certain toxic wastes discovered in connection with the sale.

The transaction is scheduled to close in late December or early January. The marketing of the balance of the REIT's portfolio is being actively pursued as part of the REIT's Plan of Liquidation.

A per share dividend from operations of 12 cents also was declared payable Nov. 16, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 2, 1990.

Net income decreased in the current third quarter compared to 1989 primarily due to a reduction in interest income following the initial liquidation distribution of $4,350,000 in June of this year.

Grubb & Ellis Realty Income Trust is advised by Grubb & Ellis Realty Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Grubb & Ellis Co., one of the nation's largest real estate services firms.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Caesars World Inc. (NYSE:CAW) Tuesday announced a court hearing has been scheduled for Nov. 28, 1990, in connection with the previously announced settlement related to its pending tender offer for any and all of the 2,175,945 shares of Caesars New Jersey Inc. (ASE:CJN) it does not already own.

The purpose of the hearing in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey is to determine, among other things, whether to approve the proposed settlement.

As previously announced, Caesars World has agreed to a settlement of lawsuits brought by certain Caesars New Jersey shareholders in connection with the $22 per share tender offer which is scheduled to expire at midnight (EDT) on Nov. 19, 1990, unless extended.

Under terms of the previously announced settlement, the company amended the offer to provide for the payment of interest on the offer price and agreed to make an additional cash payment of 25 cents per share to shareholders of

Caesars New Jersey whose shares are purchased in the tender offer. The settlement is subject to final court approval.

The company also said the offer continues to be subject to all terms and conditions in the offering materials previously distributed to shareholders. Caesars World also has reserved all of its previously specified rights, including the right to terminate the offer, as described in such offering materials.

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TORONTO (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Gold Disk Tuesday introduced an easy-to-use path-based animation-software package entitled Animation Works for the new Apple Macintosh Classic, LC and II family of computers.

This one- to eight-bit color program is a What-You-See-Is-What- You-Get (WYSIWYG) package that allows the average Macintosh user to combine graphics, text and sound into stylish animations quickly and easily.

''Animation Works is designed to bring the advantages and fun of animation within reach and understanding of a new level of user by eliminating the lengthy learning curve typical of such products,'' said Kailash Ambwani, president of the Toronto-based software publisher.

''It gives graphic designers, creative directors, small-business owners, teachers and hobbyists the power of animation without making a massive commitment to training or expensive hardware.

''With the products currently available, a user is forced to embark on a lengthy training period to be proficient in developing animations. We took the exact opposite approach; you don't have to be a highly skilled technician to use Animation Works.''

Typical applications include animated storyboards, comps or simulations, straight animation without special effects or interactivity, educational and sales presentations, home-video titling and low-end video production. Simple Path-based Animation

Animation Works consists of the Cel Editor, where animated characters (cels) may be created or edited; the Background Editor, where backgrounds may be worked on; and the Movie Editor, where the animation is combined with static or scrolling backgrounds to create the final ''movie.''

In the Cel Editor, a full set of drawing tools allows the user to edit and/or

create the different cels that constitute an animated character.

Founded in 1986, Gold Disk is a privately held corporation with sales offices in Los Angeles and Dusseldorf, West Germany.

Gold Disk is located at 5155 Spectrum Way, Unit 5, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada L4W 5A1; phone 416/602-4000; fax 416/602-4001; Applelink CDA0379.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Software Publishing Corp. (NASDAQ:SPCO) announced Tuesday record financial results for its year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the year were $140.6 million, an increase of 36 percent over fiscal year 1989, while operating income was up 27 percent to $30.5 million. Net income increased to $19.8 million, or $1.59 per share, compared with $17 million, and $1.40 per share, last year.

Revenues for the fourth quarter were $42.4 million, representing a 39 percent increase over the comparable period of 1989, and operating income rose 30 percent to $9.4 million. Net income for the quarter was $3.6 million, or 29 cents per share, compared with $5 million, or 41 cents per share, in the like period a year ago.

Current results include a non-recurring charge of $5.4 million reflecting the estimated residual obligation under the company's existing facility lease in Mountain View, and the costs of relocation to larger leased premises in fiscal 1991.

The company had previously announced that it was negotiating a lease for new office space which it expects to occupy within the next six months.

The company also announced that its board of directors has authorized limited repurchase of common stock to fund certain employee benefit programs. ''The purpose of the buyback is to provide shares for the employee stock option plan and the stock purchase plan,'' said Truman Cole, vice president of finance and chief financial officer.

''The effect should be to offset ongoing shareholder dilution from these programs. Purchases in the next 12 months are not expected to exceed 500,000 shares.

''Our strong operating performance, in this our 10th year in business,

reflects continued customer acceptance of our products,'' added Cole. ''During the year we delivered new versions of Harvard Graphics and Professional Write. Both were major contributors to fourth-quarter revenues.'' Harvard Graphics 2.3 and Professional Write 2.2 began shipping in the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

During the fourth quarter the company introduced InfoAlliance, its first systems-level product which offers users both powerful application tools and transparent access to data in disparate storage locations. InfoAlliance is the first product in a new PC software category called datasource integration.

Software Publishing Corp., one of the original personal computer software companies, is a leading international supplier of business productivity software for IBM personal computers and compatibles. The company develops and markets a wide range of decision-critical software for accessing and presenting information, including the market-leading Professional and Havard series and the recently introduced InfoAlliance products.

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GERMANTOWN, WI (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of David White Inc. (NASDAQ: DAWH) voted Tuesday to suspend dividend payments until further notice.

The action came following the company's announcement of a loss for the third quarter, which ended Sept. 30. David White Inc. is a leading manufacturer of laser and optical survey instruments used by builders and contractors.

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DALLAS (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Sterling Software Inc. (NYSE: SSW) said its board declared the regular $1.80 quarterly dividend on Sterling's $7.20 exchangeable preferred stock.

The dividend is payable on November 15, 1990, to holders of record on November 1, 1990.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Inc. (NASDAQ:SUNW) Tuesday reported results for its first quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990.

Revenues for the first quarter were $677.0 million, a 26 percent increase over the $538.5 million reported in the like period a year ago. Net income for the quarter was up 403 percent, to $26.1 million, or 26 cents per share, from the $5.2 million, or 7 cents per share, in the corresponding period of fiscal 1990. The company shipped 38,600 units, up 36 percent over the first quarter of last year.

During the first quarter 50 percent of Sun's revenues were derived from outside the United States. The stength of foreign currencies relative to the U.S. dollar contributed to both revenue and net income.

Scott McNealy, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Sun said: ''Although bookings and revenues were in balance during the first quarter, operating results were not at levels we had expected. While we assess the effect of both Sun specific and external issues we are taking a cautious approach to the current quarter including freezing headcount levels and curtailing expenses.

''Although we are being cautious, we continue to believe that, absent a major economic slowdown, the demand for our products will continue to grow, though perhaps less rapidly than we anticipated a quarter ago.''

During the quarter the company issued 4.6 million shares of common stock to AT&T and received $192 million. The company ended the quarter with $495 million in cash. In addition, Sun's long-term debt-to-equity ratio decreased to 34 percent from 39 percent at the end of fiscal 1990.

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, Calif., is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - MCI Telecommunications Corp. and the Kansas City Chiefs today announced a business and marketing partnership that makes MCI a part of the Chiefs' team as their ''official long-distance carrier.''

Under terms of the partnership, MCI will provide the Chiefs with all of the

club's long-distance services. In addition, the two-year agreement makes MCI an official sponsor of the Kansas City Chiefs, which will include advertising, promotions and customer activities at Chiefs' games.

''We're very excited to be able to team up with MCI at a time when the Chiefs are entering a new era in their quest of an NFL championship,'' said Carl Peterson, team president and general manager. ''MCI's growing success and visibility in the Kansas City market comes precisely at a time when we are busy expanding our role in the community and as such, this union is a perfect match.''

''MCI is proud to join a team such as the Kansas City Chiefs which, like MCI, has proven to be a tough player on a very competitive playing field,'' according to Dan Crawford, president of MCI's Southwest Division. ''Since MCI was the first competitive long-distance company in Kansas City, we feel very much at home in this partnership.''

Two weeks ago, MCI and the Plaza Merchants Association announced the formation of a partnership in which they will co-sponsor the traditional Season of Lights in Kansas City.

MCI provides businesses, consumers and government agencies with a full complement of global telecommunications services. The company owns and operates the world's second-largest communications network with a variety of advanced fiber optics, digital microwave and satellite and digital switching technologies.

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Kent Martin, 314/342-7312

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SAN FRANCISCO, CA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Federal Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: HFSF), the holding company formed this year for Home Federal Savings and Loan Association of San Francisco, reported net income of $1,502,000, or $1.09 per share, for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, a 60.1 percent increase over net income of $938,000, or 68 cents per share, reported for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $3,223,000, or $2.34 per share, a 251.1 percent increase over net income of $918,000, or 67 cents per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Home Federal's President and Chief Executive Officer Stanley E. Bailey indicated that non-interest income for the third quarter of 1990 included $832,000 from gains on loans sales of $75,730,000, compared to gains of $1,210,000 on sales of $61,286,000 for the comparable 1989 quarter.

Core earnings as represented by net interest income increased to $3,980,000 and $11,896,000, respectively, for the three and nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, from $2,986,000 and $9,326,000, respectively, for the like periods in 1989.

General and administrative expenses decreased to $3,021,000 and $9,110,000, respectively, for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $3,123,000 and $9,222,000, respectively, for the like periods in 1989.

Earnings in 1989 were also impacted substantially by a write-down of the company's deferred premium on loan sales. Bailey further stated that the company increased its allowance for loan losses by $90,000 and $525,000 for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, in response to management's concern over the general risk in the event of an economic downturn.

Management continues to prepare the company for uncertain economic times by increasing its loan loss reserves, which totaled $1,025,000, or 0.2 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1990. Home Federal's non-performing assets totaled $1,922,000, or 0.3 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1990. The company currently has no real estate acquired by foreclosure.

Home Federal's assets totaled $630,541,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $570,944,000 at Dec. 31, 1989. Stockholders' equity was $37,921,000, or $27.48 per share, and 6.0 percent of assets at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $34,698,000, or $25.14 per share and 6.1 percent of assets at Dec. 31, 1989.

CONTACT: Home Federal Financial Corp., San Francisco, Stanley E. Bailey or David C. Woo, (415) 982-4560.

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PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Portland General Corp. (NYSE:PGN) Tuesday closed on its previously announced investment in Bonneville Pacific Corp., an independent power producer headquartered in Salt Lake City.

Under the agreement, Portland General has acquired 3,333,333 shares of newly issued Bonneville Pacific common stock for $20 million and has completed the acquisition of warrants for 4 million shares of Bonneville Pacific's common stock previously held by a third party for $4 million.

The company had previously purchased a $10 million note from Bonneville Pacific, convertible into 1,333,333 common shares at $7.50 per share. Portland General has the option to acquire additional shares to bring its ownership up to 49 percent of Bonneville Pacific stock through purchases from Bonneville Pacific or in the open market.

As a part of the agreement, Portland General President Richard G. Reiten, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer CD Hobbs, and Assistant to the Chairman Richard E. Dyer have been appointed to Bonneville Pacific's board.

The agreement between Portland General and Bonneville Pacific was reached in September 1990 and was approved by Portland General's board of directors Oct. 2.

''Portland General's investment in Bonneville Pacific fulfills our corporate strategy to acquire a well-regarded company with an established presence in the independent power production business,'' said Reiten.

Bonneville develops, owns, and operates independent energy projects around the United States. Portland General is an electrical energy holding company headquarted in Portland, Ore.

CONTACT: Portland General Corp., Portland
Michael Tevlin, 503/464-8543

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CUPERTINO, CA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Cupertino National Bancorp Tuesday announced declaration of a 5 percent stock dividend payable to shareholders of record on Nov. 13, 1990 for payment on Nov. 27, 1990.

Fractional shares will be paid in cash.

''We have been pleased with results for the past nine months,'' said President Don Allen, ''and we are anxious to share our success with our shareholders.'' Allen further commented, ''Our strong capital position affords a number of excellent financial opportunities provided by referrals from our shareholder group.''

Cupertino National Bank, with total assets exceeding $120 million, serves the mid-Santa Clara County market, specializing in commercial loans for local companies, construction lending to quality builders, Small Business Administration lending, and trust services to both individuals and businesses.

The independent bank features a ''one-stop banking'' philosophy emphasizing customized service. CNB has dedicated itself to serving the financial needs of Santa Clara Valley while continuing strong support of the local community.

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Janet Bucknam, 408/996-1144, ext. 243

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RACINE, WI (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Modine Manufacturing Co. was notified Tuesday that the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit has affirmed the final judgment of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California that the G&O Manufacturing Division of The Allen Group Inc. had willfully infringed Modine's patent for the Beta-Weld dual-bond joint used in heavy-duty truck radiators.

The Appeals Court affirmed the District Court's finding of $14 million in damages plus pre-judgment and post-judgment interest and certain limited costs totaling approximately $18.5 million.

''We are pleased that the Federal Appeals Court has affirmed the judgment of the District Court and upheld our Beta-Weld patent,'' said Richard T. Savage, president and chief operating officer of Modine. ''We have invested much effort in research and development of heat-transfer products and in patenting this technology.

''The jury's original decision that our patent was valid and that our competitor willfully infringed upon it has been reaffirmed.''

Modine Manufacturing Co. is an independent, worldwide leader in heat-transfer technology, serving vehicular, industrial and building HVAC (heating, ventilating, air-conditioning) markets.

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Gerald J. Sweda, 414/636-1361
Cynthia Mackin, 414/636-1494

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MACON, GA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - William A. Fickling, chairman and president of Charter Medical Corp., announced that Edwin M. (Mac) Crawford, currently assistant to the president and chairman, has assumed additional responsibility for hospital operations of the company, until now handled by Michael Kay.

Crawford will become executive vice president, hospital operations reporting to William A. Fickling, chairman and president.

Crawford, who has been with Charter Medical for two years, has been a director of the company since March 1990. Prior to becoming assistant to the president and chairman, Crawford served as president of Mulberry Street Investment Co., which is owned by the Fickling family.

Kay joined Charter in June 1990 as a consultant to develop a long-term planning process, and to assess and redirect the company's marketing approach

in view of quickly changing conditions in the psychiatric healthcare marketplace. Under Kay's direction, the company developed a planning process and established a new corporate marketing organization to oversee sales and marketing activities. Kay returns to a consulting role with Charter.

The company also announced the appointment of several additional vice presidents. New hospital operations vice presidents include: Larry W. Carter; Vernon S. Westrich; David A. Richardson; Elbert T. McQueen and Billie Martin Pierce.

These additions result in a total of nine hospital operations vice presidents who will each supervise 10-12 hospitals. Each of these vice presidents have served in hospital administrative positions with the company for several years or more.

Stephen L. White has joined Charter as vice president of customer service. White is responsible for developement and implementation of programs to enhance patient and customer satisfaction, including the development of new porducts and services. Prior to joining Charter, White was executive vice president of Preferred Healthcare Ltd., in Wilton, Conn.

Mark Kaiser has become vice president of marketing for the company. Kaiser comes to Charter from Telecom U.S.A. Inc. in Atlanta where he was senior vice president, marketing.

Lawrence W. Drinkard has been promoted to senior vice president and treasurer. Drinkard was previously vice president and treasurer.

Charter Medical Corp. is an international healthcare provider of psychiatric addictive disease and medical treatment services. The Macon-based firm owns and operaties 90 psychiatric and 12 general hospitals in the United States and Europe.

CONTACT: Ketchum Public Relations, Atlanta
Judy T. Harmon, 404/873-1711, evenings 404/633-9442
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FREMONT, Calif. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Power Spectra Inc. (NASDAQ:PWSP) Tuesday announced net profit for the third quarter ended Sept. 28 of $51,000 on revenues of $1.2 million.

Revenues rose 23 percent over third quarter 1989 revenues of $1 million, net income in the 1989 quarter was $19,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 28, a loss of $233,000 was incurred on

revenues of $3.5 million. For the first nine months of 1989, revenues were $2.8 million and net income was $244,000.

Cash balances rose $269,000 to $1 million during the third quarter.

Power Spectra is engaged in the development of semiconductor switching devices and high voltage pulse generators for commercial and military applications.

Power Spectra Inc.
Condensed Statement of Operations

(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		
	Sept. 28 1990	Sept. 29 1989	
Total revenue	$1,173,941	$952,764	
Net income (loss)	$ 51,044	$ 19,087	Net income (loss)
per common share	1 cent	0 cents	Weighted average
shares outstanding	9,418,232	9,318,374	

	Nine Months Ended		
	Sept. 28 1990	Sept. 29 1989	
Total revenue	$3,515,945	$2,768,900	
Net income (loss)	$ (233,035)	$ 244,768	Net income (loss)
per common share	(2 cents)	3 cents	
Weighted average shares outstanding	9,418,232	9,318,374	

CONTACT: Power Spectra Inc., Fremont Sandra Chroman, 415/490-6961

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - BankAmerica announced Tuesday it has consolidated its World Banking Group's U.S. capital markets and wholesale banking activities into a new United States Division under Executive Vice President David A. Coulter, who previously headed its Capital Markets Division.

''Combining our trading and investment and wholesale banking resources in a single product and marketing organization enables us to provide clients with a more unified and efficient delivery system for all of our corporate finance services,'' Vice Chairman Lewis W. Coleman, head of the World Banking Group, noted. Coleman said,''The new organization reinforces a longstanding commitment to relationship banking, which has served BankAmerica well, and gives us a very timely opportunity to build on a strong competitive position in the markets we serve.''

The new division will focus its marketing activities through a Western and a Eastern Regional organization. Executive Vice President R. Thomas Decker, who managed the former Americas group, will head the Western Region, and Senior Vice President Barbara L. Rambo, who headed the bank's New York-based Northeast/Southeast Institutional Group, will manage the Eastern Region. Also reporting to Coulter is Executive Vice President Federico

Sacasa, former head of the Latin America Division. Sacasa will manage the consolidation of administrative functions for the combined division, as well as assume responsibility for the bank's Foreign Currency Services subsidiary and head the establishment of a Section 20 subsidiary.

Section 20 subsidiaries enable a commercial bank holding company affiliate to conduct a number of investment banking activities previously restricted to brokerage houses and investment banks.

McPherson was Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Treasury before joining BankAmerica, and administrator for the U.S. Agency for International Development prior to that.

CONTACT: Bank of America, San Francisco
Jim Mitchell, 415/622-4314

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PHOENIX (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Talley Industries Inc. (NYSE:TAL) Tuesday announced earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $1.4 million, or 10 cents per share, compared with earnings of $3.3 million, or 26 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Revenues from continuing operations were $74.9 million for the quarter, compared with $88.8 million a year ago.

Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $6.4 million, or 52 cents per share, compared with $24 million, or $1.91 per share, last year. Revenues from continuing operations for the nine months were $246.4 million compared with $277 million recorded in the same period a year ago.

Results for last year's nine-month period included a $60 million pretax gain on the sale of Talley's automotive air bag business and a $36.6 million charge to establish reserves against the company's realty assets.

Additionally, due to the previously announced pending sale of East-West Federal Savings Bank to Nuri Investments, a subsidiary of privately owned Nuri Investment Limited, the bank's results have been reclassified into discontinued operations for both the current and prior year third quarter and nine-month reporting periods.

Talley Industries is a diversified designer, manufacturer and supplier of aerospace, industrial and commercial products and services, including high-reliability electronic components and stainless steel rod and bar products.

Talley also invests in and develops real estate, primarily in the Phoenix area and operates a federally chartered savings bank as an autonomous, wholly owned subsidiary, which specializes in serving the Asian population in the greater Los Angeles area.

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Daniel R. Mullen, 602/957-7711

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AGOURA HILLS, Calif. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - American Ecology Corp. reported the following results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990:

AMERICAN ECOLOGY CORP.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(In 000s except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$12,980	$11,418	$36,859	$31,401
Income (loss) from continuing operations	498	(476)	1,914	(343)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations/a	--	(1,313)	--	(3,937)
Net income (loss)	498	(1,789)	1,914	(4,280)
Per share amounts: Income (loss) from continuing operations	15 cents	(16 cents)	60 cents	(12 cents)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations/a	--	(44 cents)	--	$ (1.33)
Net income (loss)	15 cents	(60 cents)	60 cents	$ (1.45)

(a) National Ecology Inc. sold November 1989

CONTACT: American Ecology Corp., Agoura Hills William E. Prachar or Karl J. Eimer, 818/991-7361

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Castle & Cooke Inc., the Los Angeles-based holding company for Dole Food Co. and Castle & Cooke Properties

Inc., Tuesday reported record net income for the third quarter of 1990 of $44 million after unusual items, up from $23.4 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings per common share were 74 cents compared with 39 cents in the prior year's third quarter.

Third quarter 1990 net income totalled $51.8 million before reflecting a $4.8 million after-tax gain on the sale of the company's investment in common stock of FirstFed America Inc. and before reflecting a $12.6 million after-tax charge, related to the restructuring of the company's worldwide pineapple sourcing.

This restructuring of product sourcing is expected to contribute substantially to the company's ongoing program to reduce operating costs and enhance its worldwide competitive position.

For the first three quarters of 1990, the company reported net income of $101 million, or $1.70 per share, compared with $71.1 million, or $1.20 per share, in the same period of 1989.

Third quarter revenue was $879 million vs. $762 million in last year's third quarter. Revenue for the first three quarters of 1990 was $2.3 billion compared with $2 billion in the same period of 1989.

Dole Food achieved significantly improved results in its 1990 third quarter performance compared with 1989, primarily in its fresh fruit and vegetable operations where the opening of markets in Eastern Europe increased demand for Dole products.

David H. Murdock, Castle & Cooke chairman of the board and chief executive officer, commented: ''Our food business is achieving record profits and we expect to continue to report strong earnings. As a low-cost producer, we are well positioned to take advantage of the increased worldwide demand for fresh produce.''

Castle & Cooke's residential and commercial real estate operation reported increased earnings over last year while startup costs associated with The Lodge at Keole, which opened earlier this year, resulted in an overall decline in its operating results compared with the third quarter of 1989.

Interest expense, net of interest income and capitalized interest, during the third quarter decreased to $12 million from $15.2 million in 1989.

Castle & Cooke is a holding company conducting business in two primary operating areas: food production and distribution through Dole Food and real estate development through Castle & Cooke Properties Inc.

Castle & Cooke Inc.
Summary of Consolidated Operations
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

	Quarter Ended		Three Quarters Ended	
	Oct. 6, 1990	Oct. 7, 1989	Oct. 6, 1990	Oct. 7, 1989
Operating results:				
Revenues	$ 879,022	$ 761,618	$2,329,441	$2,017,722
Income before income taxes	$ 69,939	$ 36,813	$ 160,338	$ 112,811
Net income	$ 44,039	$ 23,413	$ 101,038	$ 71,111
Earnings per common share	74 cents	39 cents	$ 1.70	$ 1.20
Average number of common shares outstanding	59,325	59,355	59,325	59,355

CONTACT: Castle & Cooke Inc., Los Angeles Carol J. Klein, 213/824-1500

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OAK BROOK, IL (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - On Monday, Oct. 22, In-Flight Phone Corp. (''In-Flight'') filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to provide air-to-ground telephone service to the American traveling public.

In-Flight's application, which contained contracts with three of the five major airlines, indicates that it has already spent close to $8 million on engineering and other development costs.

John D. (''Jack'') Goeken, founder of MCI, FTD Mercury Network, Railfone, Airfone (now GTE Airfone), and In-Flight Phone, announced his resignation as chairman and chief executive officer. Sandra Goeken, president of In-Flight Phone International, has been named chairman and chief executive officer.

According to Mark Ferdinand, president and chief operating officer of In-Flight, ''We expect to have our fully digital network operational in the second quarter of 1991. Our digital system will provide higher quality and reliability than the present system.''

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Sandra K. Goeken, 708/573-2660

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Three new appointments at The Boston

Safe Deposit and Trust Company of California have been announced by F. Daniel Prickett, California Division Manager for the company.

The Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Boston Company, an international financial services firm.

Carolyn Poe has been promoted to senior vice president of the Palo Alto office. She was previously vice president and regional manager. She will continue in her role as regional manager, managing the operations of the Palo Alto office of The Boston Company, as well as directing the sales and marketing efforts of the representative office.

Susan Cook Hoganson has been named senior vice president and regional manager of the San Francisco office, responsible for sales development and marketing. Hoganson joined The Boston Company in 1988.

William A. Gifford joins The Boston Company as senior vice president and regional manager of the Newport Beach office, overseeing operations south of Los Angeles, including Palm Desert, San Diego and Hawaii. Gifford was previously senior vice president and manager of private banking at First National Bank in San Diego.

Headquartered in Boston, The Boston Company is an international financial services firm that provides private banking, institutional asset management, master trust and global custody, and mutual fund accounting and administration services through its offices in Boston, California, New York, London and Zurich.

The Boston Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc., an American Express Company.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - On Aug. 16, Coral Inc. (OTC:Pink Sheets) filed the Item 3. Bankruptcy or Receivership Form 8K with the Securities and Exchange Commission which stated:

''On August 13, 1990, the registrant's principal subsidiary, System 800 International Inc. (S800), filed a Chapter 11 Voluntary Petition for Bankruptcy (File LA90-10071-CA) in the United States Bankruptcy Court, in the Central District of California.

''The primary precipitating factor was the termination of the processing of customer's credit card sales drafts by S800's financial institution.

''On August 16, 1990, S800 was successful in obtaining a preliminary injunction in the State Court to reinstate credit card sales draft processing. Management is still attempting to locate a secondary financial institution to process future credit card drafts.

''S800 has 100,000 shares issued and outstanding, all held by Coral Inc.''

Subsequent events include:

-- System 800 has filed for dismissal of its Chapter 11 case. The dismissal hearing date is scheduled for Nov. 19, 1990.

-- On Sept. 11, 1990, Security Pacific National Bank, the processing institution, appealed the preliminary injunction.

-- Management is still seeking a secondary financial institution to process future credit card drafts.

Coral Inc. is located at 9255 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif., 90069. The telephone number is 213/288-2100.

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Robert Riede, 213/288-2100

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EINDHOVEN, Netherlands (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Philips announced Tuesday that the company has reached a settlement amounting to 9.25 million U.S. dollars with the lawyers of the plaintiffs in the American class action.

The class action arose because a number of American shareholders considered that Philips' financial results in the first quarter of 1990 did not match up to the expectations that they claimed to have formed from statements made previously by the company's management. It was for this reason that they initiated legal proceedings.

Philips is of the opinion that there are no grounds for the accusations made by the American shareholders and that, therefore, there is no basis for any liability. The company sought a settlement in order to reduce the high costs of what might have been a lengthy procedure and to avoid a major call on the management's time.

The settlement, which fits into the framework in which legal affairs of this nature are dealt with in the U.S.A., will be submitted to the judge dealing with the case for his approval.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - IntelliCorp Inc. (NASDAQ, NMS:INAI), a leader in knowledge systems development and delivery software, Tuesday reported a net loss of $2,777,000, or 35 cents per share for the first quarter ended Sept. 30.

This compares to a net profit of $393,000, or 5 cents per share, for the comparable quarter a year ago.

First quarter revenues were $3,282,000, compared to $5,803,000 reported for the like period a year earlier. The company capitalized $617,000 of research and development expense during the first quarter, in connection with the beta testing of its ProKAPPA product.

Thomas Kehler, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, ''Results for the quarter, as anticipated, continue to reflect the transition from our existing KEE product line to our new KAPPA family.

''On a positive note, we made the ProKAPPA system generally available and began customer shipments on schedule at the end of September. Although initial response to the KAPPA line is encouraging, we expect the product transition to significantly impact the second quarter as well.''

IntelliCorp develops, markets and supports industry-leading knowledge system products, software development tools and advanced engineering and manufacturing application solutions. The company's customers span all industries, including financial services, automotive, aerospace, telecommunications, chemical, government, energy, manufacturing and engineering.

IntelliCorp products are marketed through a combination of the company's direct sales force and its authorized dealers, resellers, OEMs and VARs.

Headquartered in Mountain View, IntelliCorp has 220 employees and offices throughout the United States, as well as in Europe and Asia.

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Ken Haas, 415/965-5756

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Diagnostic Products Corp. (NYSE:DP)

Tuesday announced third-quarter and nine-months results.

Diagnostic Products Corp. and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Statement of Income
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Sales	$18,897,000	$14,434,000
Income before income taxes	5,603,000	5,550,000
Provision for income taxes	1,630,000	1,740,000
Net income	$ 3,973,000	$ 3,810,000
Net income per share of common stock:		
Primary	31 cents	30 cents
Fully diluted	30 cents	29 cents
Average common shares outstanding:		
Primary	12,911,000	12,722,000
Fully diluted	13,311,000	13,217,000

	Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Sales	$54,753,000	$42,718,000
Income before income taxes	18,586,000	16,271,000
Provision for income taxes	5,760,000	5,210,000
Net income	$12,826,000	$11,061,000
Net income per share of common stock:		
Primary	$ 1.00	88 cents
Fully diluted	97 cents	85 cents
Average common shares outstanding:		
Primary	12,860,000	12,598,000
Fully diluted	13,280,000	13,089,000

CONTACT: Diagnostic Products Corp., Los Angeles
Julian R. Bockserman, 213/776-0180

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Adobe Systems Inc. announced the availability of Adobe Illustrator 3.0, a new version of the bestselling illustration program for Macintosh computers.

Developed to enable design professionals to create and lay out all facets of a page, Adobe Illustrator 3.0 is ideal for advertising and packaging design, newspaper layouts, business presentations and technical illustrations. The product is available immediately from all Adobe Authorized Dealers.

The Adobe Illustrator 3.0 software program has a suggested U.S. retail price of $595 and includes the new Adobe Type Manager 2.0 software (a $99 value). Registered Adobe Illustrator program users can upgrade for $99 until Dec. 31. After Dec. 31, all registered users can upgrade for $149. Customers who purchased Adobe Illustrator 88 between July 1 and Oct. 22 will receive a free upgrade.

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Kathy Mandle, 415/962-6687

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The Boston Software Works Tuesday announced that it will offer a version of its InterOFFICE electronic mail gateway for the integrated OfficeVision/400 office system (formerly known as AS/400 Office) that runs on IBM's AS/400 product line.

The announcement was made in San Francisco at the Electronic Mail Association's Annual Conference.

The InterOFFICE product for OfficeVision/400 will provide seamless electronic mail integration between OfficeVision/400 and other popular office automation (OA) systems, including Digital Equipment Corporation's ALL-IN-1, Wang's VS OFFICE, and Hewlett-Packard's DeskManager.

The InterOFFICE product family is a software-only solution that requires only one copy of InterOFFICE per IBM AS/400, DEC VAX, Wang VS or HP 3000 network. InterOFFICE features automatic directory synchronization and automatic document translation, enabling users of one integrated office system to send office automation system objects, such as revisable documents, memos, meeting invitations, and binary files to users of other, incompatible OA systems. This transparent conversion and delivery is accomplished without users learning any new commands, addressing formats, or keystroke sequences.

The InterOFFICE product line includes InterOFFICE/VAX for DEC's ALL-IN-1, InterOFFICE/VS for Wang's VS OFFICE, and InterOFFICE/XL for HP's DeskManager. The Boston Software Works is also pursuing expansion of the InterOFFICE product line to other OA platforms, including UNIX, OS/2 and DOS integrated office systems.

Software updates and a 24-hour telephone support hotline are available for all InterOFFICE products. Pricing and availability of InterOFFICE for OfficeVision/400 will be announced at a later date.

The Boston Software Works, located in Boston, is a privately-held software development firm, specializing in high-quality office automation integration

and coexistence products.

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  Stephen Monticone, 617/367-6846

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SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - IKOS Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:IKOS) Tuesday announced pre-tax profits of $175,000 on revenues of $3,787,000 for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30.

Net income for the period was $152,000, or 1 cent per share. The net income results reflect a lower tax rate due to the company's tax loss carryforward position. Revenue for the 1990 fiscal year was $15,789,000, with net income of $1,695,000, or 18 cents per share.

The 1990 results compare to revenue for the fourth quarter of 1989 of $2,854,000, with net income of $270,000 or 3 cents per share. For fiscal year 1989, revenue was $7,739,000 with a loss of $1,952,000 or 24 cents per share.

The company expects next quarter revenue and profit similar to last quarter. Gerald S. Casilli, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''The effects of the recent changes to our strategic partner agreement with Mentor Graphics are not expected to have a positive revenue impact until the March 1991 quarter when our products are anticipated to be integrated with Mentor's Release 7.0 design environment which has a large installed customer base.

''We are planning to implement an upgrade path to Mentor Graphics' Release 8.0 for 7.0 customers desiring higher performance ASIC and system simulation.''

IKOS Systems Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and supports advanced hardware-assisted simulation systems for the application-specific integrated circuit and systems design markets. Headquartered in Sunnyvale, the company employs more than 100 people worldwide. IKOS is publicly traded over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol, IKOS.

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  Barbara Cheung, 408/245-1900.

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ALISO VIEJO, CALIF. (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Armor All Products Corp. (NASDAQ:ARMR), the leading supplier of automotive appearance products, reported a decline in revenues and earnings for the second fiscal quarter ended September 30, 1990, Kenneth C. Hicken, president and chief executive officer reported Tuesday.

Revenues for the quarter were down 7 percent to $23,497,000 from $25,296,000 reported in the year-earlier period. Net income for the quarter was $1,044,000, or 5 cents a share, a decline of 71 percent from $3,618,000, or 17 cents a share, in the second quarter a year ago.

For the six-month period, revenues were $56,489,000, a decline of 7 percent from $60,653,000 reported in the year-earlier period. Net income for the six-month period was down 67 percent to $3,051,000 from $9,250,000. Earnings per share for the six-month period decreased 66 percent to 15 cents from 44 cents.

Hicken attributed the decline in revenues in both periods to lower volume as a result of lower sales of Armor All and Rain Dance waxes and No. 7 car care products. Sales of Armor All Protectant in North America were unfavorably impacted by high retail inventory levels, along with consolidation in the company's retail store customer base. Sales in overseas markets increased 40 percent for the first six months over the like period a year ago. International sales represent 13 percent of consolidated revenue so far this year compared with 9 percent last year.

Gross margins declined due to higher sales of promotional items. Selling, general and administrative expenses were up significantly as a result of higher levels of cooperative advertising and promotional spending and the incurrence of other expenses earlier in the current fiscal year than in the prior year. The company said that it expects total selling, general and administrative expense for the full year will be approximately the same as in the prior year.

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MARLBORO, MA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Stratus Computer Inc. Tuesday announced that K mart Corp. (Troy, Mich.), the world's largest retailer, and The Office Club Inc. (Concord, Calif.), the largest office products retailer in the Western U.S., have chosen Stratus XA2000 Continuous Processing Systems to run online software applications aimed at lowering their operating costs and improving customer service.

Kmart has begun using Stratus to run distribution center order processing and credit card authorization, with store data collection and distribution planned to go online next year. Office Club plans to run sales data collection and credit card authorization on Stratus by mid-1991.

Stratus also announced today an agreement with Lowell, Mass.-based Interactive

Systems Inc. (ISI) to jointly develop and market ISI's Order Management System (OMS) on fault-tolerant Stratus systems. This agreement is focused on expanding Stratus' presence in the rapidly-growing order processing segment of the retail and wholesale distribution markets.

These announcements mark Stratus' aggressive expansion in the retail and distribution markets. In only three years, Stratus' direct sales in retail and distribution have more than tripled to $14 million in 1989. Stratus has fostered this growth by targeting emerging market segments with new software applications and broadening market awareness through high-profile customer contracts. In the 1990s, Stratus expects the fastest growth in retail and distibution to occur in the order processing, merchandising, and credit authorization segments and in the international markets.

Kmart has chosen a Stratus Model 220 to run distribution center order processing, credit authorization, and store data collection and distribution. The retailer expects to significantly lower operating costs and enhance customer service by expanding the 24-hour processing capabilities of its existing systems with the Stratus Computer.

Stratus Computer Inc. is a leading supplier of fault-tolerant systems for critical on-line applications. One of the fastest-growing companies in the industry, Stratus reported revenues of $341.3 million for fiscal year 1989, up 29 percent from $265.3 million in 1988. The company, whose headquarters are in Marlboro, Mass., U.S.A., has 11 international subsidiaries. Stratus Computer Inc. common stock is traded via the New York Stock Exchange and the Boston Stock Exchange under the trading symbol SRA.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Montagespezbank, one of the leading commercial banking institutions in the Soviet Union, has appointed International Marketing Promotion Co. as its international representative, announced Mr. Vasin, chairman.

IMPC is presently investigating opportunities in the financial community to establish a corresponding banking relationship between Montagespezbank and a foreign currency banking group with offices in the United States and Europe.

''This affiliation will allow companies engaged in business in the USSR to be afforded deposits, transferability, clearing, credit and loan availability.

''It will also provide a vital facility for corporations dealing in hard currency and letters of credit, to successfully function in this huge

potential marketplace without having to directly access the Soviet Union's complex banking system,'' reported Paul Friedlander, chairman and chief executive officer, IMPC.

IMPC offers a wide spectrum of marketing services to companies seeking to take advantage of business opportunities that exist today and gain ground-floor entry into commercial and social trends which will prevail in the international community in the future.

In addition to its Montagespezbank connection, IMPC is involved in a number of major projects in the Soviet Union including The All American Rodeo & Wild West Show, a Worldwide Electronics exhibition in Moscow and is presently developing other exciting marketing opportunities in the Soviet Union and Europe.

International Marketing Promotion Co. is a part of Miami-based Marketing Dynamics Group which also includes Dynamic Communicators Inc., a public relations agency, Bodner Advertising Inc., a national advertising agency and Marketing Dynamics Inc., an international marketing consulting company.

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AUBURN, CALIF. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - HeartFed Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:HFED), the holding company formed in 1989 for Heart Federal Savings and Loan Association, Tuesday reported net income of $1,784,000, or 40 cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, was $1,697,000, or 38 cents per share. HeartFed's net income was $5,854,000, or $1.31 per share, for the first nine months of 1990. Net income for the first nine months of 1989 was $5,241,000, or $1.17 per share.

Net interest income increased to $7,765,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, from $6,095,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. For the three- and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, Heart Federal's net interest rate spread increased to 3.48 percent and 3.42 percent, respectively, from 2.71 percent and 2.92 percent for the similar periods a year ago.

Non-performing assets (loans 90 days or more delinquent plus real estate acquired through foreclosure) were $2,162,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, down from

$3,597,000 a year earlier.

Heart Federal's provision for loan loss reserves was $253,000 in the third quarter of 1990, compared to $105,000 during the third quarter of 1989, bringing the total loan loss reserves to $2,290,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $1,702,000 a year before.

''The economic uncertainty created by the threat of war in the Mideast, the lack of a deficit reduction budget from Congress, and concerns over a national recession have caused a general slowdown in our real estate markets,'' commented Stuart R. Foster, president and chief executive officer.

''Although our ratio of non-performing assets to total assets declined to 0.23 percent from 0.41 percent a year ago, we felt under the current economic environment it was prudent to increase our general loan loss reserves,'' Foster added.

Real estate loan originations during the third quarter of 1990 were $56,603,000, compared to $39,132,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Real estate loan originations during the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $170,197,000, compared to $141,139,000 for the like period in 1989, an increase of 20.6 percent.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - As previously forecast, Genentech Inc. (NYSE:GNE) posted a loss for the third quarter due to expenses related to its $2.1 billion merger transaction with Roche Holdings Ltd., which was completed on Sept. 7.

The third-quarter loss was $133.7 million, or $1.45 per share, and the special charges, primarily merger-related expenses, for the quarter were $148.9 million, or about $1.60 per share. Earnings for the third quarter last year were $11.4 million, or 13 cents per share.

For the first time since its founding in 1976, Genentech's total assets topped $1 billion, reaching $1.1 billion, compared with $712.5 million a year ago.

Total cash at the end of the third quarter was $678.3 million, up from $205.4 million a year ago. Total stockholders' equity almost doubled, from $448.7 million at the end of the third quarter last year, to $871.9 million this year.

Revenues for the third quarter rose 12 percent to $112.1 million, up from

$100.0 million for the like quarter last year. Sales of the company's heart attack drug, Activase or t-PA, were $48.2 million for the third quarter, compared with $43.6 million for the like quarter of 1989 and compared with $48.3 million for the second quarter of this year.

Activase market share remained at nearly two-thirds during the third quarter, unchanged from the previous quarter.

Protropin, human growth hormone, sales were $40.2 million, up from $32.4 million for the like quarter a year ago, and compared with $41.2 million for the second quarter of this year.

Marketing, general and administrative expenses increased to $36.8 million, up from $32.0 million a year ago. The additional expenses are primarily for marketing expenses due to increased competition for Activase. Research and development expenses were $42.2 million, up from $38.5 million, largely due to additional products entering clinical trials.

Genentech has six potential new products in clinical trials and plans to begin clinical trials for at least one more product before the end of this year.

Genentech Inc. is a leading biotechnology company focusing on the development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceuticals produced by recombinant DNA technology.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - Oct. 23, 1990, YES Clothing Co. (YSCO/NASDAQ) today announced the appointment of Daniel Goodstein, CPA, as the company's new chief financial officer.

Goodstein will begin his employment with the company on Nov., 1, 1990.

Goodstein, 57 years of age, has been a partner with the accounting firm of Laventhol & Horwath since 1983, where he specialized in the apparel manufacturing and retail industries, and supervised the auditing of YES Clothing's financial statements. Prior to this, Goodstein was a partner at another accounting firm, also focusing on the apparel industry, for over 23 years.

Chairman, George Randall noted, ''We are extremely pleased with the appointment of Mr. Goodstein. He brings with him over 30 years of experience with the apparel manufacturing industry and will contribute many valuable

skills to our Company. As he has worked with YES Clothing in the past, we expect a rapid and smooth transition.''

YES Clothing Co. designs, contract manufactures and distributes women's, men's and children's apparel to department and specialty stores in the United States Canada, Europe and Japan.

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VERNON HILLS, IL (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Scotsman Industries, Inc. (NYSE:SCT) Tuesday reported third quarter net income of $1.8 million, or $.26 per share, up 8 percent from net income of $1.7 million, or $.24 per share for the third quarter of 1989.

Net sales for the quarter increased 5 percent to $44.7 million compared with $42.5 million for the same period a year ago.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $7 million, or $.98 per share, an increase of 9 percent over pro forma net income of $6.4 million, or $.91 per share for the first three quarters of 1989. Net sales for the nine months increased 5 percent to $144.1 million compared with $137.2 million for the year-ago period.

The sales increase for the quarter and year-to- date was largely due to foreign currency translation, which accounted for $5.4 million of the $6.9 million nine-month gain. Results for the first nine months of 1989 are presented on a pro forma basis due to Scotsman's spin off from Household

Scotsman's debt-to-equity ratio improved to 2.2 to 1 compared with 2.4 to 1 at the end of the second quarter and 3 to 1 at the end of 1989. Continued strong cash flow is sufficient to support the company's anticipated growth and Scotsman expects that its focus on reducing inventory will further enhance its positive cash flow.

Scotsman Industries, Inc. is a market leader in the manufacture of commercial refrigeration products, with a primary focus on the food service industry. The global manufacturing and marketing of ice machines is the largest component of Scotsman Industries' business.

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MEMPHIS, TN (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - TBC Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:TBCC) Tuesday reported new quarterly highs in net sales and earnings for the third period and first nine months of 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales totaled $136,397,000 compared with $132,208,000 in the year-earlier period. Net income was $4,799,000, or 34 cents per share, compared with $4,571,000, or 31 cents per share, in the third quarter of last year.

The third quarter results brought net sales through the first nine months to a record $385,518,000 compared with $361,346,000 in the year-earlier period. Net income amounted to $12,495,000, or 88 cents per share, compared with $11,950,000, or 78 cents per share, in the year-earlier period.

The per share results and the number of shares outstanding for the third quarter and first nine months of 1989 have been adjusted to reflect the 3-for-2 stock split distributed in October 1989.

TBC Corp. is one of the nation's largest marketers and distributors of products for the automotive replacement market. The company's common shares are traded over-the-counter under the National Market System symbol TBCC.

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PORTLAND, Maine (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - UNUM Corp. (NYSE:UNM) Tuesday announced 1990 third-quarter net income of $46.3 million or $1.35 per share compared with $44.1 million or $1.09 per share for the same quarter in 1989.

Revenues for third quarter 1990 were $551.9 million vs. $499.0 million for third quarter 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended September 30 was $140.1 million or $4.02 per share. For the same period in 1989, net income was $116.5 million or $2.80 per share. Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $1.57 billion vs. $1.45 billion for the comparable period in 1989.

''Continued progress in Individual Disability Division results was a key

contributor to this quarter's increased earnings. Although the Employee Benefits Division's performance did not quite reach last year's unusually strong quarter, its year-to-date earnings are in line with expectations,'' said James F. Orr III, UNUM chairman and chief executive officer.

Pre-tax income for the Employee Benefits Division was $41.6 million for third quarter -1990 compared with $45.7 million for the same period in 1989. Premiums for third quarter 1990 were $230.6 million vs. $212.6 million in third quarter 1989. Sales for the segment were $44.8 million compared with $42.8 million in the same quarter last year.

Retirement Products had third-quarter 1990 pre-tax income of $1.9 million compared with $0.9 million in the same quarter of 1989. Third-quarter revenues for the segment were $109.9 million vs. $109.3 million for third quarter 1989.

Pre-tax income for UNUM's Individual Disability Division increased to $8.5 million in third quarter 1990 from $2.1 million in the same quarter of 1989. Third-quarter premiums for the division were $43.6 million compared with $37.8 million in the same quarter 1989. Sales increased from $7.4 million in third quarter 1989 to $8.4 million in third quarter 1990.

The Related Businesses Division had third-quarter pre-tax income of $9.0 million versus $7.1 million in the same quarter of 1989. Premiums for the period increased 39 percent to $78.9 million from $56.9 million in third quarter 1989.

For third quarter 1990, UNUM's Individual Life Division had pre-tax income of $1.8 million compared with $2.3 million for the same quarter in 1989. Premiums of $2.1 million for third quarter 1990 compares with $2.3 million for third quarter 1989.

As of September 30, UNUM Corp.'s invested assets including N.E.L. Permanent Health Insurances Ltd., the recently acquired disability carrier in the United Kingdom, were 61.6 percent in bonds, 24.3 percent in mortgages, 2.4 percent in real estate and 5.5 percent in common stocks.

Commenting on the company's mortgage portfolio, Orr said, ''Investment managers have been aware of declining real estate markets for several years. At UNUM, we have reduced our mortgage portfolio since 1987, directing cash flow primarily into investment-grade bonds.''

About potential problem mortgages, Orr added, ''UNUM's 60-day delinquency rate is 2.65 percent of the mortgage portfolio, slightly below the life insurance industry average of about 3 percent.''

UNUM Corp. is a specialty insurance holding company with $9.3 billion in assets. Headquartered in Portland, Maine, UNUM is the nation's leading provider of group long term disability insurance and a major provider of

employee benefits and individual disability insurance. The company also markets retirement plans and long term care insurance.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Candle Corp.'s Database Tools division Tuesday announced that its recently unveiled SQL/DS WORKBENCH, the most comprehensive integrated toolset available for developing and maintaining databases under SQL/DS, has moved into field test and will ship in Q2 1991.

SQL/DS is IBM's strategic database for managing distributed nodes in an enterprise-wide database system. In IBM's Systems Application Architecture (SAA) cooperative processing architecture, SQL/DS managed nodes communicate with central databases managed by IBM's DB2.

In the Sept. 5 announcement, IBM reaffirmed the importance of SQL/DS in the SAA picture, according to Candle's chairman and chief executive officer, Aubrey Chernick.

''SQL/DS is a key piece in the SAA cooperative processing puzzle, and Candle is committed to maintaining currency with IBM technologies by providing tools to support them,'' Chernick said. ''SQL/DS WORKBENCH is another example of our ability to bring leading-edge mainframe software solutions to customers in a timely fashion.''

Chernick noted that Candle's SQL/DS WORKBENCH is functionally identical to DB2 WORKBENCH, the company's flagship toolset for DB2. This makes it possible for database administrators to easily manage both environments with the same powerful workbench.

SQL/DS WORKBENCH Simplifies Administration of SQL/DS

SQL/DS WORKBENCH offers database administrators (DBAs), SQL/DS systems programmers and end users an easy-to-use yet robust feature set that includes facilities for display, analysis and reporting of SQL/DS catalogs, as well as for generating DDL utility jobstreams.

Candle Database Tools is a division of Candle Corp., a Los Angeles-based software company that is the leading independent supplier of IBM systems management software. Candle's wide range of products include solutions for systems management, data center automation, productivity and application development tools for DB2 and SQL/DS.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - FirstFed Financial Corp. (NYSE:FED), parent company of First Federal Bank of California, Tuesday announced net earnings of $20.9 million, or $2.39 per share of common stock, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This earnings level is 47 percent greater than that posted for the same period last year, previously the best in the bank's history. The strong year-to-date results were attributable to continued growth in the company's basic operations, particularly net interest income which increased 49 percent over the prior year.

Core earnings for the year-to-date period represented 96 percent of pre-tax profits. Return on assets for the nine-month period was 1.01 percent and return on equity was 19.21 percent.

William S. Mortensen, FirstFed's chairman and chief executive officer, further noted that prior year pre-tax earnings included $3.6 million in non-recurring gains on the sale of loans and securities, while this year's results included only $376,000.

Net earnings for the third quarter were $6.7 million, or 77 cents per share, which were 9 percent greater than the third quarter figures for last year. As with the year-to-date profits, the improved third quarter results came from growth in core earnings.

Net earnings for the second quarter of 1990 were $7.1 million, or 81 cents per share of common stock.

Despite a slowdown in real estate activity in Southern California, the quality of FirstFed's loan portfolio is still among the best in the nation. At Sept. 30, 1990, non-performing assets were 0.61 percent of total assets. At the end of the second quarter they were 0.50 percent and one year ago they were 0.30 percent.

Mortensen commented, ''We do not foresee any significant problems with loan deliquency in our portfolio; however, we decided to increase our general loan loss reserves as a cushion for the future.''

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OAKLAND, CA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - American President Companies Ltd. (APC) Tuesday announced for the third quarter ended Sept. 21, net income of $9.3 million, or 40 cents per share, excluding the effect of a restructuring charge of $69.9 million on an after-tax basis ($109.2 million pretax) related to the company's previously announced cost repositioning and process simplification program.

Including the effect of the restructuring charge, the company reported a net loss of $60.6 million, or $3.28 per share, for the quarter. For the corresponding quarter in 1989, the company reported net income of $8.1 million or 30 cents per share. Revenues decreased to $539 million in the third quarter from $543 million in 1989.

For the first three quarters of 1990, excluding the effect of the restructuring charge, net income was $8.2 million, or 16 cents per share, on revenues of $1.6 billion. Including the effect of the restructuring charge, the company reported a net loss of $61.6 million, or $3.43 per share, for the first three quarters of 1990. For the corresponding period in 1989, net income was $19.6 million, or 64 cents per share, on comparable revenues.

The restructuring charge included a provision of $46.4 million for employee severance payments, for the consolidation of certain facilities and the termination of certain facility lease commitments. Also included in the restructuring charge is $36.4 million for the write-off of goodwill related to the acquisition in 1985 of certain domestic brokerage operations from the BRAE Corp.

The write-off of the goodwill is related to the company's decision to change its retail sales focus to support of its stacktrain system rather than brokerage activities. The balance of the restructuring charge of $26.4 million primarily covers anticipated costs to consolidate certain of the company's information resource capabilities and to align its fleet of leased equipment with expected customer needs.

The company's transportation operations, excluding the restructuring charge, had pretax income of $13.8 million for the third quarter and $1.7 million for the first three quarters of 1990 compared with pretax income of $11.5 million and $21.0 million reported for the corresponding periods in 1989.

American President Companies Ltd. provides container transportation and distribution services within and between Asia and North America through an intermodal system combining ocean, rail and truck transportation.

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KIRKLAND, WA/GERMANTOWN, MD (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - McCaw Cellular Communications Inc., of Kirkland, and Hughes Network Systems, of Germantown, Tuesday announced the formation of a limited partnership to construct and operate a digital nationwide air to ground/ground to air telephone and data transmission service for use aboard commercial aircraft.

The new service, which requires FCC approval, would be provided under the name Clairtel (TM). It would bring unprecedented levels of communications service, quality and convenience to the flying public, including, for the first time, the ability to receive as well as send calls during commercial flights.

Agreements to test and use the service have already been reached with Alaskan Airlines and Northwest Airlines and negotiations are under way with several other major carriers.

In addition to higher voice-quality telephone service, Clairtel would offer facsimile and computer data transmission as well as airborne video capabilities. While in flight, patrons would be able to receive as well as send calls, pager messages, faxes and computer data transmissions. Clairtel's digital technology would represent a giant leap in airlines' ability to provide passengers with the comforts and conveniences of their homes or offices during flight.

The Federal Communications Commission had previously announced they would accept applications to provide air to ground service on allocated frequencies to parties who meet certain criteria. Among these criteria are financial capability to construct and operate the system, and a technical and engineering plan demonstrating that 50 land-based sites had been acquired along with agreements with commercial airlines, all of which Clairtel has satisfied.

Hughes Network Systems Inc., is a world leader in advanced digital telecommunications. The premier provider of interactive very small aperture terminal (VSAT) satellite networks, Hughes offers a range of communications solutions, including turnkey packet switching and interactive videoteleconferencing.

In addition, Hughes features the SkyRider (TM) mobile satellite communications system. Hughes Network Systems is a subsidiary of Hughes Aircraft Co., a unit of GM Hughes Electronics.

McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: MCAWA) is the nation's leading cellular telephone company, with ownership positions in over 100 markets across the country, representing 106 million potential customers, or ''pops.''

Approximately 80 percent of the ''pops'' of McCaw and of LIN Broadcasting Corp. (NASDAQ: LINB), which is 52 percent owned by McCaw, are in the nation's 30 most populous markets and their contiguous service areas.

McCaw Cellular operates major regional systems in California, Florida, Texas, the Pacific Northwest, the Midwest, the Rocky Mountain states and the Northeast, currently offering service primarily under the name Cellular One (R). LIN Broadcasting holds significant interests in cellular systems in New York, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Dallas and Houston, and operates seven network-affiliated television stations. McCaw also is the nation's fifth largest paging service provider.

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WESTBORO, MASS. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Signaling a strong commitment to ECLIPSE MV customers, Data General Corp. Tuesday introduced the fifth generation ECLIPSE MV/30000 multiprocessor, bringing high-end performance and high-availability features to the mid-range of the MV/Family product line.

Oracle Corp. of Redwood Shores, Calif., Tuesday endorsed the new MV/30000 as an excellent ORACLE RDBMS platform. Oracle is a market and technology leader in the development of relational database products, distributed applications and services.

Joseph Vassallo, Oracle's senior director of Minicomputer Marketing said: ''We have worked closely with Data General to tune and certify Oracle's family of integrated, high-performance database software on the ECLIPSE MV/30000. Our cooperative testing shows significant additional transaction throughput as job processors are added, making these systems an ideal platform for ORACLE-based applications.

''We see significant demand for these systems. Today ORACLE is used on almost 2,000 Data General ECLIPSE MV systems.''

As with the ECLIPSE/MV 5500 DC, the ECLIPSE MV/9500, and the MV/3500 DC, the MV 30000 is based on a single-chip, custom CMOS microprocessor designed by Data General and manufactured in Japan by Hitachi. This chip implements the ECLIPSE MV/Family architecture on a single integrated circuit. At the system level, this reduces chip count, increases reliability, and allows more space in the system for functional features.

The ECLIPSE MV/30000, which runs the AOD/VS II operating system, is available in a single through quad processor configuration. It represents the high end of the company's mid-range line and extends mid-range performance from five MIPS for the ECLIPSE MV/9500 to 19 MIPS for the ECLIPSE MV/30000 quad-processor.

In addition to multi-processing capability, the highly configurable ECLIPSE MV/30000 can be expanded with up to three Burst Multiplexor Channel/Data Channel (BMC/DCH) I/0 channels; up to 256 MB of error checking and correcting (ERCC) memory available in 16-, 32-, and 64-MB increments; a diagnostics processor; and up to 2,472 direct asynchronous connections. The system can grow economically and incrementally with a customer's computing requirements.

Data General is a leading manufacturer of computer systems for business, industry, education, and government. The company reported revenues for fiscal year 1989 of $1.31 billion.

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SCHAUMBURG, ILL. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - As the era of the personal computer shifts into high gear, corporate powrhouses such as Brunswick and DuPont have begun to tap into the efficiency and creativity of the floppy disk to communicate information to time-pressed journalists.

Moreover, marketing executives are looking to interactive software as a valuable tool in 21st century trade and consumer promotions.

Developed by CanCom Marketing Group, Schaumburg, the Diskette Press Kit (DPK) features remarkably user-friendly menu access to automatic review, print and file functions. The custom software, available in IBM-compatible and Macintosh formats, boasts graphics/ animation flexibility and offers text storage that dramatically surpasses the limitations of the traditional paper press kit.

''The apparent simplicity of the DPK program belies its sophistication,'' noted Dr. Len Bewersdorf, vice president of informational systems for CanCom. ''The base program of the DPK was developed over more than a year and, of course, it has undergone modifications to increase its operational speed and enhance its ease of use.''

In addition to Brunswick and DuPont, the DPK has recently been used by electronics firm Bottom Line/Computrol and the American Fishing Tackle Manufacturers Association (AFTMA).

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TERRE HAUTE, IN (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - General Housewares Corp. (NYSE:GHW) Tuesday reported net sales and net income from continuing operations for the third quarter of 1990 were $18,144,000 and $1,318,000 (or 45 cents per share), respectively, compared to restated $20,011,000 and $571,000 (or 19 cents per share) for the same period last year.

Operating income for the quarter of $2,947,000, or 16.2 percent of sales compares to restated $2,193,000, or 11.0 percent of sales for the same period in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales from continuing operations were $48,872,000 compared to restated $52,592,000 for the first nine months of 1989. Net income from continuing operations for the first nine months of 1990 was $2,283,000, or 77 cents per share compared to 1989 restated nine-month net income of $1,105,000, or 37 cents per share.

Operating income for the 1990 period was $6,126,000, or 12.5 percent of sales compared to restated $5,418,000, or 10.3 percent of sales for the same period last year. Giving effect to first quarter losses associated with discontinued businesses and their disposition (which resulted in after tax charges of $1.4 million, or 47 cents per share), the company's net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $883,000, or 30 cents per share as compared to restated net income of $1,505,000, or 51 cents per share for the first nine months of 1989 (after recognizing income from discontinued operations of $400,000, or 14 cents per share).

In making the announcement, Paul A. Saxton, president and chief executive officer, stated: ''Our third quarter sales reflect the difficult retail environment which, if anything, deteriorated during the period. Notwithstanding 9 percent lower sales, our earnings from continuing operations for the quarter were up 131 percent. This provides strong evidence that our restructured compny can cope well with uncertain times and is well positioned to take full advantage of the opportunities that will be presented when the retail environment improves.

General Housewares Corp. is a leading manufacturer and marketer of cookware and cutlery products.

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SOUTHAMPTON, NY (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - John F. Kidd, president and chief executive officer of Hamptons Bancshares Inc., announced Tuesday the company's third quarter operating results.

Kidd said that during the quarter the company had added $763,000 to its Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses, resulting in a net operating loss of $536,000 or 63 cents per share. Third quarter 1989 earnings were $278,000 or 33 cents per share.

Kidd cited the continuing impact of non-accrual loans and the need to increase reserves as the primary factors effecting profitability but added that the company's still increasing deposit base and the deliberate shrinkage of its loan portfolio have allowed the company to increase investments and improve the overall liquidity and quality of its assets.

The Loan Loss provisions which have been contributed throughout the year, Kidd added, are mandated by economic realities. The company's Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses now stands at a substantial 2.6 percent of total loans.

He stressed that the company enjoys a solid capital base and has enlarged and diversified its customer base with the opening of new branch offices by its major subsidiary, The Bank of the Hamptons, N.A., in Westhampton Beach and Bohemia during 1990.

In recent communiques with its shareholders, Bancshares has announced a series of cost-cutting measures including the temporary suspension of dividends, directors' fees and employee bonuses. Kidd described these decisions and consistent with the company's commitment to deal head-on with fiscal challenges and position itself for long-term vitality.

Hamptons Bancshares, a one bank holding company, owns the nine branch Bank of the Hamptons as well as separate leasing, mortgage banking and appraisal subsidiaries. The company's administrative offices are located in Southampton. Its stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol ''HBSI.''

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Fiserv Inc. (FISV), a leading computer services company providing data processing and information management systems to financial institutions worldwide, has announced continued record results for the third quarter of 1990.

For the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, Fiserv revenues were $46.3 million, a 13 percent increase over the $41.0 million reported for the third quarter of 1989. Net income rose to $3.6 million, an increase of 22 percent over the $2.9 million reported in 1989. Net income per share for the period based on 8,622,000 shares outstanding was 41 cents per share, a 21 percent increase over the 34 cents per share on 8,541,000 shares outstanding for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $136.1 million, a 13 percent increase over the $120.1 million reported in 1989. Net income rose to $10.1 million, a 22 percent increase over the $8.3 million in 1989. Net income per share for the 1990 nine-month period based on 8,607,000 shares outstanding increased 19 percent to $1.17 per share from 98 cents on 8,466,000 shares in 1989.

A substantial portion of the revenue increase reported since the beginning of 1990 relates to revenues of companies acquired after Sept. 30, 1989. The company continues to experience overall revenue growth in the operation of its previously existing business.

In the past six years Fiserv, a Milwaukee-based company, has grown into a national network of specialized information management centers and subsidiary companies. The company's data centers are located throughout the United States, providing processing for over 19.5 million customer accounts and serving more than 950 client financial institutions in the United States and 13 foreign countries. A publicly held company, Fiserv stock is traded in the NASDAQ over-the-counter market system under the symbol FISV.

Fiserv Inc.
Third quarter 1990
Financial Highlights
(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 46,327	$ 40,955	$136,133	$120,086
Income before taxes	5,550	4,690	15,742	13,494
Net income	$ 3,552	$ 2,908	$ 10,075	$ 8,278
Net income per share	41 cents	34 cents	$ 1.17	98 cents
Shares used in computing net income per share	8,622	8,541	8,607	8,466

DATA PROCESSING AND SERVICE CENTERS: Baton Rouge, La.; Beaumont, Texas; Bowling Green, Ky.; Chicago; Cleveland; Dallas; Fresno, Calif.; Hartford, Conn.; Honolulu; Houston; Los Angeles; McAllen, Texas; Milwaukee; Minneapolis; New Haven, Conn.; Pittsburgh; San Antonio; Seattle; Spokane, Wash.; Tampa, Fla.; Titusville, Fla.

SUBSIDIARIES: First Trust Corp., Denver; Fiserv Forms & Graphics Division, Seattle; Sendoro Corp., Scottsdale, Ariz.

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CHATTANOOGA, TN (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Inter Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ/NMS:IFED) Tuesday announced that net earnings for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, increased 8.2 percent to $1,734,507, or $1.68 per share as compared with the 1989 period of $1,603,409, or $1.55 per share.

Net interest income also increased to $5,555,570, or 9 percent, up from $5,098,196 in the corresponding period of 1989, according to Vernon W. Cox, president.

Earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, were $581,623, or 56 cents per share, as compared with $460,822, or 45 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989. The net income figures for the third quarter included extraordinary income of $105,798 in 1989 and $143,032 in 1990, resulting from tax loss carryforwards.

Assets for the nine month period increased to $374 million, up $64 million, or 20.7 percent, from the beginning of the year. This increase was partially due to the acquisition by the Bank of First Federal of Summerville, Ga., extending the bank's activities and rights to branch in Georgia. ''This acquisition is already showing profitable results,'' Cox stated.

Inter Fed is a federally chartered savings bank insured by the FDIC. It now has nine full-service offices, including strategic locations in Chattanooga, Signal Mountain, Rossville, South Pittsburg and our newest office in Summerville, Ga.

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ASHLAND, KY (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Addington Inc. has been awarded a long-term contract to supply coal to the W.H. Zimmer generating station near Cincinnati.

Addington Inc., a subsidiary of Ashland-based Addington Resources Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ADDR), will supply coal to the Zimmer generating station beginning

in April 1991, the company said.

The Zimmer plant is jointly owned by Cincinnati Gas and Electric Co., Dayton Power and Light and Columbus Southern Power Co.

The agreement calls for Addington Inc. to ship at least 10 million tons of coal to the plant over an initial term of 10 years. The coal will be produced from Addington Inc.'s Ohio reserves.

The contract calls for coal with a BTU content of 11,300 per pound and a maximum sulfur content of 3 percent. The initial base price is $25.50 per ton f.o.b. shipping point.

The agreement is the second long-term contract announced within the last five weeks. As previously reported, Addington Resources' Appalachian Mining Inc. subsidiary was awarded a contract to supply at least 11.32 million tons of coal to the American Electric Power Service Corp. over a 15-year term.

Addington Resources mines and markets coal and is engaged in developing and operating integrated solid waste disposal systems. Its stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ADDR.

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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Diamond Shamrock Inc. (NYSE:DRM) Tuesday reported third quarter earnings of $53.2 million, or $2.15 primary earnings per share compared to $10.1 million, or 35 cents per share for the like period last year.

For the first nine months, the company reported net income of $69.7 million, or $2.72 primary earnings per share, up from $51.9 million or $1.93 per share for the nine month period in 1989.

Revenues for the first nine months were $1.9 billion compared to $1.5 billion for the first nine months last year.

Diamond Shamrock Chairman and CEO Roger R. Hemminghaus explained that the company's earnings during the quarter were primarily a result of strong operations and record sales throughout the company during a time of favorable refining industry conditions, despite lower operating profit in the retail segment.

Another important factor in the third quarter results was the revaluation of the company's crude oil and refined product inventories. Just as the

company's devaluation of inventory in the second quarter dropped earnings by about 40 cents per share, the revaluation of crude oil during the third quarter increased earnings by 83 cents per share.

Hemminghaus, commenting on the strong results, explained that record sales volumes during the third quarter were achieved in total wholesale refined products, retail gasoline, retail merchandise, and allied businesses.

''New refinery units were operating for the entire quarter, and both refineries continued to operate at near capacity. At Mont Belvieu, the propane/propylene splitter, also completed during the late second quarter, was operating profitably, and we continue our retail marketing expansion with 28 new Corner Stores completed thus far this year,'' Hemminghaus said.

''During the third quarter we saw a continuation of very good refining industry fundamentals that began in the second quarter. A tight gasoline environment coupled with high refinery utilization throughout the industry enabled our company to maintain strong refinery margins.

Diamond Shamrock, with annual sales of approximately $2.1 billion, is primarily a regional refiner and marketer of petroleum products. The San Antonio-based corporation has two Texas refineries with a throughput capacity of 165,000 barrels per day, and markets gasoline through about 2,000 Diamond Shamrock branded outlets.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Research Industries Corp. (NASDAQ:REIC) reported an all-time record for quarterly earnings in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The corporation generated first quarter net income of $453,934, or 8 cents per share, a 57 percent increase over last year's first quarter earnings of $289,864, or 5 cents per share.

A major contributor to this record earnings performance was an acceleration in the growth rate of health care product revenues, which expanded 33 percent in the quarter to $2.3 million compared to $1.7 million in the prior year's first quarter.

Also contributing to the corporation's improved earnings performance was an increase in health care gross profit margins from 64 percent in the prior year's first quarter to 65 percent this year.

Total corporate revenues for the quarter increased 35 percent to $2.6 million over the prior year's revenues of $1.9 million. Revenues increased in most segments of the company's business, including cardiovascular disposables and proprietary urological pharmaceuticals.

The only operating division with declining revenues was the low gross margin private label sterile solutions business, which the corporation is de-emphasizing in order to free up capacity and resources for the anticipated market introduction of its pending Herpid antiviral product.

As a result of the corporation's continuing substantial sales and earnings increases, its current assets increased to $6.3 million from $5.5 million at the end of the fiscal year ended June 30.

Significantly, cash and cash equivalents increased over $500,000 during the quarter to $2.5 million compared to $2 million on June 30. As of Sept. 30, cash and cash equivalents almost doubled the past 12 months compared to $1.3 million as of Sept. 30, 1989, despite the elimination of the company's long-term debt position.

Research Industries Corp. is a diversified biomedical firm specializing in the development, manufacture and sale of hospital disposable products for cardiovascular intervention, as well as specialty pharmaceuticals. Research Industries' common stock is traded over the counter, NASDAQ, National Market System, with the symbol REIC.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The Open Software Foundation Tuesday took a major step toward enabling large networks of different computer systems to join together through a common operating environment with the release of OSF/1 a new open computer operating system that offers more features and better security levels than other popular multi-user operating systems available today.

In press conferences held in New York, Nice and Tokyo, OSF executives today unveiled the new OSF/1 operating system as the cornerstone for the industry's first comprehensive open computer operating environment.

An open operating environment includes an operating system as one of its core technologies, and adds a powerful user interface and distributed computing capabilities to surpass the limitations of today's operating systems.

Today's announcement was highlighted by endorcements for the new OSF/1

operating system from participating senior executives from OSF's sponsor companies -- Digital Equipment Corp., Groupe Bull, Hewlett Packard, Hitachi, IBM and Siemens Nixdorf Information Systems.

By using the complete OSF operating environment, individual users will be able to work from any station on a network of computers as if the person were sitting at his or her own workstation, regardless of what city or country the user is in or what type of computer he or she is using.

In addition, large organizations will be able to consolidate information from all their departments, divisions, agencies and groups in new ways and make all or part of that information accessible to employees, according to each employee's level of access privileges or security clearance.

These capabilities enable large organizations to fulfill the promise of a much-heralded approach to using computers, known as Enterprise-Wide Computing.

The Open Software Foundation is a not-for-profit research and development organization developing and delivering an open software environment based on standards for the benefit of the information processing industry.

OSF uses an innovative open process, soliciting technologies from the industry-at-large and delivering the technology in source code form. OSF encourages member participation via its open process to influence the technical direction for the Foundation's efforts. Headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., the OSF has 260 employees in locations around the world.

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CORAL GABLES, FLA. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Wackenhut Services Inc., a subsidiary of The Wackenhut Corp. (NYSE:WAK), has signed a two-year contract with the United States Department of Energy for security services at its Rocky Flats, Colo., nuclear manufacturing facility.

The estimated cost of the contract is $28.9 million per year and the services provided will include an armed security force in excess of 350 persons, the safeguarding of special nuclear materials, a tactical response team for security emergencies, alarm monitoring, traffic enforcement and accident investigations, other security services and related administrative and maintenance tasks.

The company is eligible for a portion of an additional $1.65 million award fee pool depending on its performance as graded by the Department of Energy during the period of the contract.

Wackenhut Services Inc. (WSI), which performs security related contract services to municipal, state and federal agencies nationwide, has been performing security services for the Rocky Flats Office of the Department of Energy during the past two months under a transition contract after the initial award was announced in August, 1990.

Richard R. Wackenhut, president of The Wackenhut Corp., expressed the pride of the Corporation in being selected on a sole source basis by the U.S. Department of Energy for this critical security assignment, and pledged the commitment of ''whatever Corporate resources are necessary in order to bring quality security services to this contract site.''

Wackenhut's general manager at Rocky Flats is Dr. William K. Rector, a WSI senior vice president who was previously the general manager at the Department of Energy's Central Training Academy (CTA) at Albuquerque, N.M. Wackenhut has operated the CTA for the past six years.

Dr. Rector previously served as the Director of Training and Operations at the Department of Energy's Savannah River Site, where Wackenhut Services Inc. maintains a contract security force of over 900 personnel.

The Wackenhut Corp. is one of the world's larges private sector providers of security, investigative and related services. It has offices in over 125 U.S. cities and operates in 40 other countries, on six continents.

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FAIRFIELD, CONN. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - General Electric Company Tuesday announced that R. Michael Gadbaw, 42, has been named Vice President - Senior Counsel for International Law and Policy, effective Dec. 1.

In his new position, Gadbaw will serve as GE's key legal advisor on international law and trade issues. He will be based in Washington, D.C.

Ben Heineman, Senior Vice President and General Counsel of GE, said of the appointment: ''Mike brings outstanding talent and experience to the task of assessing, and affecting, the impact of international law and policy on GE's global competitive position.''

Gadbaw comes to GE with extensive government and private experience in international business and trade negotiations. He is currently a partner with Dewey Ballantine in Washington, which he joined in 1985 to help establish the firm's trade department. As a partner in Dewey Ballantine, he served as

counsel to a number of major corporations and associations with worldwide operations and interests.

Over the past decade, Gadbaw has been involved in a wide range of trade, investment and intellectual property rights issues, including the development of corporate policies and strategies in connection with the Uruguay Round of trade negotiations, EC 1992, and the electronics trade issues.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The Open Software Foundation Tuesday introduced a key component of its distributed operating environment with the first release of the OSF/1 operating system.

OSF/1's innovative, extensible architecture incorporates advanced technologies while fully supporting industry standards and maintaining compatibility with existing systems.

The OSF/1 operating system offers a breakthrough in operating system technology while protecting the industry's investment in existing software.

Full compliance with industry, national and international standards and specifications and compatibility with UNIX System V and Berkeley programming interfaces ensures application portability. Unlike UNIX System V, however, OSF/1's advanced architecture, based on Mach technology, is designed to support the applications of the 1990s and beyond.

OSF has integrated a number of existing advanced technologies in OSF/1, including significant portions of IBM's AIX v3.1 operating system, and the Mach kernel technology from Carnegie Mellon University. A full-featured command set merges System V and BSD4.3 commands, and is further enhanced by advanced internationalization capabilities. Other key advanced technology components of OSF/1 include Encore Computer's symmetric multiprocessing implementation, SecureWare's SMP+security technology, Mentat's networking STREAMS technology, the Berkeley 4.4 Virtual File System, and network and local file systems from the University of California at Berkeley.

The new Mach-based kernel, a small but critical piece of the operating system that serves as its nucleus, incorporates several modern capabilities offering improved support for both commercial and technical systems. Its unique architecture allows workloads to be distributed among multiple processors for greater efficiency, allows programmers to access multiprocessor capabilities such as threads, and is easier to maintain. The new kernel offers dynamic

system configuration, logical volume management, and disk mirroring, essential features for commerical use. OSF/1 also includes features required for NCSC B1 level certification.

OSF is committed to and participates in the standards definition process. In areas where standards are under discussion, OSF tracks progress and implements the standard as it becomes accepted. As a result, the OSF/1 operating system complies with all relevant international and national standards, as well as industry and proprietary specifications.

This initial release of OSF/1 provides a portable, extensible, commercial quality operating system base for computing today, and a clear migration path to upwardly compatible micro-kernel-based distributed operating environments for the future. OSF expects to release subsequent versions of OSF/1 every 12 to 18 months as development continues, culminating in the micro-kernel implementations.

OSF/1 is initially available for three OSF-supported reference implementations: Intel 302 (80386-based), Digital Equipment Corporation's DECstation 3100 workstation (MIPS-based), and the Encore Multimax multiprocessor system (National Semiconductor-based). Also included on the OSF distribution tape are three vendor-contributed implementations: Hewlett-Packard DN2500, Intergraph 6000, and an Intel 860-based system.

The Open Software Foundation is a non-profit research and development organization developing and delivering an open software environment based on standards for the benefit of the information processing industry. OSF uses an innovative open process, soliciting technologies from the industry-at-large, and delivering the technology in source code form. OSF encourages member participation via its open process to influence the technical direction for the Foundation's efforts. Headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., the OSF has 260 employees and more than 200 members in locations around the world.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Alex Brown Inc. Tuesday reported revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 28, of $58 million, a 27 percent decline from revenues of $79.6 million in the third quarter of 1989.

The company reported a net loss of $3.1 million, or 21 cents per share, as compared to net earnings of $6.3 million, or 38 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

Alex Brown's board of directors approved a cash dividend on Alex Brown common

stock of 7 cents per share, payable on Nov. 14, to stockholders of record on Nov. 5.

The financial services industry - especially banks, insurance companies and securities firms - has been experiencing significant problems during 1990. In times such as these, capital strength is especially important. Alex Brown's capital funds remain very strong, totalling $191.7 million at the end of the third quarter with a book value of $11.33 per share. Alex Brown's liquidity also remains excellent.

During the third quarter Alex Brown repurchased approximately 600,000 shares of its common stock pursuant to a repurchase program. This program has been expanded such that it has a remaining authorization of 1 million shares. The stock will be purchased from time to time in the open market, in block purchases or as otherwise determined by the company.

For the nine months ended Sept. 28, revenues totalled $203.7 million, a 3 percent decline from $210.5 million in 1989. Net earnings were $3.9 million and earnings per share were 25 cents for the first nine months of 1990 compared to net earnings of $4.3 million and earnings per share of 26 cents in the first nine months of 1989. Results for 1989 include an after-tax charge of $6.9 million related to anticipated losses in eliminating excess office space.

Alex Brown Inc. is a holding company whose primary subsidiary is Alex Brown & Sons Inc., the oldest investment banking firm in the United States. Alex Brown is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol ''ABSB.''

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BATON ROUGE, La. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Piccadilly Cafeterias Inc. (NASDAQ:PICC), Tuesday reported net income for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $2,554,000, or 27 cents per share.

Last year's net income for the first quarter was $3,148,000, or 33 cents a share. First quarter sales were $75,985,000 compared to $75,848,000 in the first quarter of last year.

James C. Malmberg, president and chief executive officer, said that the first quarter earnings decrease was attributable to lower sales volumes per unit due to a decline in customer traffic and a slight increase in food costs. ''The competitive environment in which we operate is the significant factor in

reduced customer traffic. We are taking a variety of steps to address this problem and are confident that these will be successful.''

Malmberg pointed out that total cafeteria customer traffic in the quarter declined one percent from the prior year, and customer traffic in cafeterias that were open during both periods decreased eight percent.

Malmberg added, ''During the first quarter we opened our second cafeteria in Nashville, Tennessee. Also, today in Jackson, Mississippi, we opened a new Ralph & Kacoo's seafood restaurant. Two more new cafeterias and two more new seafood restaurants are planned for the remainder of this fiscal year.''

Piccadilly Cafeterias owns and operates 142 cafeterias in 14 states and seven Ralph & Kacoo's seafood restaurants in Louisiana, Texas, and Mississippi. All operating units are company owned.

PICCADILLY CAFETERIAS INC. - Consolidated Statement of Income (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Sales	$ 75,985,000	$ 75,848,000
Income before income tax	4,053,000	4,997,000
Estimated federal income tax	1,499,000	1,849,000
Net income	2,554,000	3,148,000
Net income per share	$ .27	$ .33
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	9,614,000	9,480,000

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NORTH STONINGTON, CT (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Analysis & Technology Inc. achieved record revenues and earnings for its September quarter and six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, A.T. Mollegen Jr., president and chief executive officer announced Tuesday.

For the second quarter, net earnings per common share of 44 cents advanced 16 percent above the 38 cents earned in the previous September quarter. Record revenues of $25,271,000 and net earnings of $946,000 compared favorably with revenues of $23,792,000 and net earnings of $848,000 in the September 1989 quarter.

For the six-month period ended in September, net earnings rose 10 percent to $1,895,000, compared with $1,721,000 in the prior first-half period on record revenues of $51,007,000, compared with $45,811,000. Net earnings per common share were 89 cents compared with 78 cents in the six-month period of the prior year.

''Our business continued strong with the U.S. Navy and in all training services areas in the September quarter,'' Mollegen commented. ''With our total contractual backlog now at more than $295,000,000, up more than 6 percent year-to-year, we remain confident of achieving another record year in both revenues and earnings.''

Analysis & Technology Inc., a professional and technical services company, provides submarine and antisubmarine warfare services to the U.S. Navy and specialized training services for commercial and military customers. The company's shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''AATI''.

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COLUMBIA, S.C. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Colonial Companies Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CLACB) Tuesday reported net income for the first nine months of 1990 of $23,882,000, or $1.58 per share, an increase of 5 percent over net income of $22,715,000, or $1.51 per share, earned in the first nine months of 1989.

After-tax operating income, excluding realized gains (losses) on investments, totaled $24,151,000, or $1.60 per share, compared with $21,415,000, or $1.42 per share, for the first nine months of 1989, an increase of 13 percent.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $7,682,000, or 51 cents per share, a decrease of 2 percent from the third quarter 1989 net income of $7,853,000, or 52 cents per share.

After-tax operating income for the third quarter of 1990 was $8,284,000, or 55 cents per share, compared with $7,193,000, or 47 cents per share, for 1989, an increase of 15 percent.

Commenting on the results, President Stephen G. Hall said, ''The positive trends from the first half of the year continued through the third quarter. Sales for the first nine months increased 29 percent.

''As a result of this solid growth, we now expect sales for the full year to increase approximately 25 percent. Continued improvement in policyholder

retention and the strong sales growth produced a 15 percent increase in premiums for the first nine months of the year.

''The outlook for the remainder of the year is good. We expect 1990 to be another year of consistent growth,'' Hall concluded.

Colonial Companies Inc. is a holding company whose shares are traded on the National Market System with the NASDAQ Symbol CLACB. Its principal subsidiary is Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co., which operates in 49 states and underwrites a broad line of personal accident, life, and cancer insurance policies.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM and Micro Focus Tuesday announced a distribution agreement that will offer users of IBM's Customer Information Control System (CICS)(a) an efficient, convenient way to develop and test CICS applications by using CICS Operating System/2(a) (CICS OS/2(a)).

The applications can then be used on IBM mainframes or personal computers.

CICS OS/2 is one of the newest members of IBM's well-established and accepted CICS family of transaction processing products, which improve the availability of the information customers need to run businesses worldwide. CICS OS/2 extends transaction processing to the personal computer by providing both the CICS application programming interface and, in conjunction with the operating system, services for a transaction processing environment.

Part of IBM's Systems Application Architecture(a) (SAA(a)), CICS OS/2 also provides support for cooperative transaction processing -- where information is processed on a local workstation, invoked on a CICS host, or on another networked CICS OS/2 system.

Under the agreement announced today, Micro Focus will provide screens and other features that integrate IBM CICS OS/2 into the Micro Focus COBOL/2 Workbench, a tool that helps programmers develop and test applications. The CICS OS/2 option for the Micro Focus COBOL/2 Workbench includes a screen painter and will give the CICS programmer a powerful and productive environment to develop CICS applications. The CICS OS/2 Option will be offered on diskette with an easy menu-driven installation procedure.

The CICS OS/2 feature of the Micro Focus COBOL/2 Workbench requires an IBM Personal System/2 computer running Operating System/2(a) Extended Edition Version 1.2 or later. Technical support for the new feature will be provided

by Micro Focus, of Palo Alto, California. Planned availability is fourth quarter 1990. -0- (a) Customer Information Control System, Operating System/2, CICS OS/2, CICS, Systems Application Architecture, SAA, Personal System/2, and Operating System/2 are trademarks or registered trademarks of International Business Machines, Inc. Micro Focus COBOL/2 Workbench is a trademark of Micro Focus, Inc.

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Envirosafe Services Inc. (NASDAQ:ENVI), a leading provider of hazardous waste management services, reported record performance in revenues, income from continuing operations and net income for the third quarter of 1990, C. Edward Ashby Jr., president and chief executive officer, announced Tuesday.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Envirosafe's revenues advanced 85 percent to $13.6 million from the year earlier quarter of $7.4 million. Income from continuing operations increased 90 percent to $1.4 million, or 38 cents per share, as compared with $0.8 million, or 20 cents per share, in the prior year.

''The increases in revenues and income from continuing operations during the third quarter reflect a continuation of very strong volume and pricing trends which the company benefitted from during the first half of 1990,'' Ashby said. Disposal volume increased due to the removal by ESI of the self-imposed capacity constraints which impacted Ohio during most of 1989; the establishment of more aggressive sales and marketing efforts; and the anticipation by some customers of land ban deadlines restricting direct landfilling of certain wastes.

''It is disappointing that our record 1990 financial results, which reflects the dedication and commitment of our employees, have been overshadowed by the recent decision of the Ohio Hazardous Waste Facility Board,'' stated Ashby.

As previously announced, on Aug. 29, 1990, the board announced that it will renew the company's operating permit for its Ohio facility, but denied the construction of an expansion cell.

The company expects to request a reconsideration of this decision, and may also decide to seek judicial review.

Envirosafe Services is a leading provider of land disposal services for environmentally sensitive wastes. The company owns major disposal sites in Ohio and Idaho -- two of the 20 such sites authorized under federal law.

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SANTA CLARA, Calif. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Hitachi Data Systems (HDS) Tuesday announced that the company plans support for IBM's ESA/390 architecture and newly announced versions of the MVS/ESA, VM/ESA and VSE/ESA operating systems along with other industry-standard System/390 software on its HDS EX Series mainframe systems.

In addition, HDS intends to support the Systems Complex (Sysplex) through Sysplex Timer and Cross-System Coupling Facility implementation.

HDS also announced plans to support the new IBM Enterprise Systems Connection architecture (ESCON), allowing the implementation of both high-speed fiber-optic serial channels and conventional copper parallel channels on EX Series processors. Last month the company announced its intention to support ESCON on its storage subsystems.

''We view these enhancements as strategic to the future of our customers,'' said Paul Hastings, vice president of systems marketing for HDS. ''Over time, we believe these enhancements will provide real benefits to mainframe customers.

''Historically, it has taken about 12 months from general availability to deliver compatibility for features like these and we expect to maintain that historical track record.''

Commenting on HDS's EX Series, Hastings continued: ''About four months ago we added two new high-end models to to our EX Series, the EX 310 and the EX 420. As our customers' requirements grow and the competitive environment changes, we expect to add larger models to the EX Series and make further enhancements.''

Details on the availability, terms and conditions of support for new and currently installed EX Series processors will be announced subject to public availability and review of specifications for these new developments.

Hitachi Data Systems is a joint venture company owned by Hitachi Ltd. and Electronic Data Systems. HDS markets a broad range of mainframes, peripheral products and services. With products installed in more than 30 countries worldwide, HDS has more than 2,500 employees.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Management of America Inc. (NASDAQ:MMOA) has agreed in principle to accept the offer of British Land of America Inc. (''BLA'') to repurchase the shares of its common stock owned by BLA, and has additionally stated its intention to repurchase all other shares of MMA common stock not currently owned by James H. Desnick, MMA's chairman and president.

Terms of the agreement include an aggregate purchase price of $8.25 per share to be paid with $3 per share down and the balance in eight equal quarterly installments with interest at 10 percent per annum.

Performance would be collateralized by a $4 million letter of credit and a lien on certian MMA real estate, medical equipment and other personal property.

Although the transaction is subject to approval by a majority of the company's outside stockholders, BLA, which owns 49 percent of the outside shares, has stated its intent to vote in favor of the transaction.

Based in Chicago, MMA owns and operates ambulatory surgical centers and manages medical centers specializing in comprehensive eye care and surgery. The company's current managed medical facilities are located in Illinois, Indiana, Florida and southern California.

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CORPUS CHRISTI, TX (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Marine Holding Co. (NASDAQ:MDCO) Tuesday reported financial results for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

The net loss for the quarter was $6.9 million on revenues of $20.3 million. The loss applicable to common stockholders was $8.7 million (51 cents per share). Year-to-date (nine months) results through Sept. 30 include a loss of $18.5 million from revenues of $55.8 million with the loss applicable to stockholders amounting to $23.5 million ($1.64 per share).

These results include the results of operations of the Keyes Offshore group since March 1. Comparable period results for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, respectively, included losses of $7.8 million and $23.4 million from revenues of $8 million and $23.7 million with losses applicable to common stockholders of $9.3 million ($1.02 per share) and $28.1 million ($3.60 per share).

Dan O. Dennis, president and chief executive officer, commented, ''The third quarter's results were slighly depressed due to weakened Gulf of Mexico jackup rig utilization and dayrates during July and early August. August activity later recovered somewhat and remained at improved levels through late September.''

Marine Holding Co. operates 23 jackup drilling rigs in the Gulf of Mexico.

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DALLAS (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Peerless Mfg. Co. (NASDAQ:PMFG), manufacturer of separators and filters used in the petroleum and chemical processing industries, and environmental protection equipment announces sales and earnings for its fiscal 1991 first quarter.

Earnings for the period were $346,758, or 24 cents per share, compared to earnings of $43,533, or 3 cents per share, in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. However, the majority of the latest quarters earnings were due to the cumulative effect of an accounting change. See Notes 1 and 2 below.

Incoming orders for the quarter approximated $5,241,000. Backlog of orders grew from $12.7 million to $13,470,000 during the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

	For The Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Sales	$4,471,631	$4,317,453
Earnings before extraordinary item	--	28,733
Extraordinary item-utilization of net operating loss carryforward	--	14,800
Net earnings before cumulative effect of accounting change	112,855	--
Cumulative effect of accounting change (Note 1)	233,903	--
	$ 346,758	$ 43,533
Earnings per common share (Note 2) earnings before extraordinary item	--	2 cents
Extraordinary item-utilization of net operating loss carryforward	--	1 cent
Net earnings before cumulative effect of accounting change	8 cents	--

Cumulative effect of accounting change	16 cents	--
Net earnings per common share	24 cents	3 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	1,424,067	1,409,405

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KENILWORTH, N.J. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - ''AM-VAX,'' Schering-Plough Animal Health's new vaccine for the prevention of anaplasmosis in beef and dairy cattle, has been approved for marketing in the United States by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

''AM-VAX'' is manufactured using a new ''Micropure'' purification process, which removes impurities that can cause potentially fatal complications in offspring of cows vaccinated with the current federally licensed vaccine.

Anaplasmosis is an infectious disease that attacks the red blood cells of cattle. It is transmitted primarily by biting pests such as flies, ticks and mosquitoes. The disease causes severe anemia, often leading to death of the animal. The monetary cost of anaplasmosis is estimated to exceed $300 million a year in death losses alone in the United States.

''The real economic loss is far greater than just death loss, '' said Harlan Bigbee, D.V.M., director of technical services for Schering-Plough Animal Health. ''The additional costs result from reduced milk production, abortion, weight losses and sterility in bulls. These are difficult to calculate accurately, but far exceed losses due to death alone.''

''AM-VAX'' is administered to cattle by intramuscular injection. Field trials demonstrate that it confers a high degree of protection to vaccinated cattle. The new vaccine is approved for use in cattle of all ages, including cows through all stages of pregnancy.

''AM-VAX'' is expected to take a significant share of the market now held by the current vaccine, which also protects cattle but can cause severe problems in calves born to vaccinated cows.

''Because 'AM-VAX' can be used safely in breeding cattle, the emphasis will shift to prevention from treatment with antibiotics once symptoms appear -- the practice now followed by most producers,'' said William Edwards, product manager of the bovine strategic marketing unit, Schering-Plough Animal Health.

''Antibiotic treatment is expensive and often requires additional handling of clinically ill cattle,'' he added. ''It is also costly both in terms of

labor costs and the effect on the already stressed animal.''

''AM-VAX'' is expected to expand the total U.S. cattle vaccine market, which recorded sales of $91 million in 1989. The new vaccine is being marketed through veterinarians.

Schering-Plough Animal Health manufactures and markets worldwide a broad line of pharmaceutical and biological products for livestock and pets. It is a unit of Schering-Plough Corporation of Madison, N.J., a research-based company engaged primarily in the discovery, development, manufacturing and marketing of pharmaceutical and health care products worldwide.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - American Body Armor & Equipment Inc. (NASDAQ:ABAE), America's oldest manufacturer of bullet resistent vests, announced Tuesday that they have received a $1 million order for ''equipment'' from a Middle Eastern military unit.

The order, to be delivered in December, was placed by the U.S. government.

Steve Giordanella, president of ABA commented, ''As we have seen an increased level of activity in the Middle East in recent months, we have received several large orders from this region. However, this is one of the largest orders we have received in the history of American Body Armor.''

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 are the second largest in the history of the company. In September, American Body Armor received an order, totaling over $500,000, for bullet resistent vests from a Middle Eastern government. Also in September, the company received three orders for armored vehicles, totaling over $250,000, from international clients. One vehicle, for a Middle Eastern Head of State, was delivered on 24 hours notice. The individual was in New York to attend ''The World Summit For Children'' at the United Nations.

On the domestic front, in September, American Body Armor fulfilled a $370,000 order for an elite special forces unit in the U.S. Military. A follow-up order is expected in the near future.

American Body Armor, based in Fernandina Beach, Fla., is a leading supplier of soft body armor and armored products. Their clients include law enforcement and government agencies in the U.S., the Middle East, Europe and Asia.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Cygnet Systems Inc. Tuesday announced a 2-1/2 year OEM agreement with Siemens AG EK21 in West Germany, signifying the first major offering of a 5.25'' optical disk system in Europe.

Siemens will offer the Cygnet Model 5250 Jukebox on their MX family of office systems to provide an integrated text and imaging system.

Jeffrey Dunn, vice president of sales and customer support for Cygnet, said, ''We are truly pleased that Siemens, after extensive testing, has selected Cygnet's 5250 for their 5.25'' jukebox hardware on the Siemens imaging system. Their evaluation is clearly one of the most rigorous quality and reliability tests in the world.''

Four key reasons were cited by Siemens for selecting the Cygnet jukebox. First, the Cygnet 5250 is the fastest box available, an absolute requirement for Siemens' applications response time. Second, the Model 5250 supports the LMS LD 510 drives. Siemens already uses LMS products and is well aware of their high quality.

Third, Siemens felt that they have received excellent technical support from Cygnet. Lastly, Siemens perceives Cygnet as a ''solid and serious jukebox vendor.''

According to Data Storage Concepts of Boulder, Colo., shipment of 5.25'' optical automated data libraries in Europe will exceed 1,300 jukebox units in 1990 and will reach 2,400 units by 1992.

Siemens is the largest provider of Unix-based systems in Europe. Their systems run under SINIX (Siemens' proprietary version of Unix.) Siemens has been shipping the MX systems for two years now, and will announce the MX systems with optical disks for January 1991 availability in Europe.

The Cygnet 5250 Jukebox will be attached to an MX series file server which is capable of supporting multiple jukeboxes per system.

Cygnet Systems Inc., headquartered in San Jose, Calif., is a peripheral products company that designs and manufactures robotic mass storage devices. Cygnet products are provided exclusively to OEMs and VARs for system integration and value-added resale into global markets, primarily in image processing and mass data storage applications.

Cygnet Systems Inc. is located at 2560 Junction Ave., San Jose, Calif., 95134-1902.

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MIAMI (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - North American Biologicals, Inc. (''NABI'') (NASDAQ:NBIO) Tuesday announced record unaudited results for the third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990, increased 20% to $18,149,000 from $15,095,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Income before income taxes and extraordinary credit rose 57% to a record $847,000, up from $539,000 in the quarter ended September 30, 1989.

Net income for the quarter was a record $665,000 or $.04 per share, up from $509,000 or $.03 per share in the comparable period last year.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, sales rose to a record $55,438,000, up 29% from $42,887,000 in the first nine months of 1989. Income before income taxes and extraordinary credit increased 155% to a record $2,210,000 from $865,000 in the comparable period of 1989. Net income was a record $1,736,000 or $.11 per share, up from $810,000 or $.05 per share in the nine months ended September 30, 1989.

North American Biologicals, Inc. is the largest independent provider of human blood plasma elements to the health care industry worldwide. The company collects, processes, tests and distributes human-blood-related products, markets clinical diagnostic testing services, and manufactures and distributes diagnostic products.

North American Biologicals, Inc.
Condensed Results of Operations
(Unaudited)
Amounts in Thousands, Except Per Share Data

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$18,149	$15,095	$55,438	$42,887
Gross Margin	$ 2,594	$ 2,008	$ 7,649	$ 5,322
Income before income taxes and extraordinary credit	847	539	2,210	865
Provision for income taxes	244	153	622	324
Income before extraordinary credit	603	386	1,588	541
Extraordinary credit (a)	62	123	148	269
Net income	$ 665	$ 509	$ 1,736	$ 810
Earnings per share: Income before extraordinary credit	$ .04	$ .02	$ .10	$ .03
Extraordinary credit	--	.01	.01	.02

Net income	$ .04	$ .03	$ .11	$ .05
Weighted average number of shares and common share equivalents	15,599	15,476	15,562	15,474

(a) Extraordinary credits reflect utilization of general business carryforwards in 1990 and net operating loss carryforwards in 1989.

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BASKING RIDGE, N.J. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Tuesday announced it will make it easier for Americans to call Armenia by installing a 5ESS gateway switch, a satellite earth station, credit-card pay phones, and electronic billing systems in the Soviet Republic.

The 5ESS switch, which is expected to be in service by mid-1991, will enable Americans to direct dial into Armenia. AT&T also announced it has received a $5 million order from Poland to install a digital radio link between Warsaw, Psary and Katowice.

The 5ESS gateway switch for Armenia will connect the local phone network into the international network. Currently the only gateway switch in the USSR is in Moscow. The total value of the equipment for Armenia, which will be supplied by AT&T Network Systems International BV (AT&T NSI), is about $6 million.

AT&T has also reached an agreement with the Ministry of Telecommunications of Armenia to establish direct international communications service between the U.S. and Armenia. There are over 300,000 people living in America who have family ties to Armenia.

''This agreement represents an important step forward in meeting the growing demand of both U.S. industry and the large Armenian community living in the U.S. to have direct communications service with Armenia,'' said Art Pencek, Managing Director of AT&T's International Communications Services for Eastern Europe and the USSR.

The order for Poland was placed by Electrim (the Polish foreign trade organization for electrical equipment). It includes the provision of radio transmission equipment and 12 repeater stations, as well as the conversion to digital operation of the satellite earth station in Psary.

The Polish radio link, to be completed in the first quarter of l991, will be connected to the 5ESS international gateway switch in Warsaw that was delivered by AT&T earlier this year.

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WILLOUGHBY, OH (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Figgie International Inc. has announced the appointment of Owen G. Stout as president of Snorkel-Economy, St. Joseph, Missouri, effective November 1, 1990. Snorkel-Economy is the world's largest manufacturer of industrial work platforms, scissorlifts and aerial platforms as well as boom water towers for firefighting.

Mr. Stout replaces Arthur D. Moore, who is retiring after 31 years as president of Snorkel-Economy. Mr. Stout will report to Charles B. Miner, group vice president.

Mr. Stout most recently was president of Figgie International's Logan Co. division, Louisville, Kentucky.

He previously spent 20 years with ''Automatic'' Sprinkler Corporation of America, Cleveland, a Figgie International division that designs and installs fire protection systems. At ''Automatic,'' Mr. Stout served in the positions of vice president of fire protection systems, director of contracting, manager of nuclear power services, national construction superintendent, manager of contract operations and sprinkler fitter foreman.

Mr. Stout attended Detroit College of Business and served in the U.S. Army from 1965 to 1967.

Figgie International Inc. is a diversified Fortune 500 operating company serving consumer, industrial, technical and service markets worldwide. Sales in 1989 were $1.3 billion.

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WILLOUGHBY, OH (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Figgie International Inc. has announced the appointment of C. Michael Dempsey as president of Logan Co., Louisville, Kentucky, effective November 1, 1990. Logan Co. is a worldwide

manufacturer of material handling systems, including unit load conveyor equipment, high-speed sortation equipment, baggage handling equipment and narrow aisle stacking cranes. Mr. Dempsey will report to Vincent A. Chiarucci, president of Figgie International Inc.

Mr. Dempsey previously spent 17 years with ''Automatic'' Sprinkler Corporation of America, Cleveland, a Figgie International division that designs and installs fire protection systems.

Mr. Dempsey most recently was vice president-operations for ''Automatic.'' He previously served in the positions of vice president-western region, Phoenix, Arizona, district manager, Greensboro, North Carolina, district manager, senior contract representative, contract representative and sales trainee.

He graduated from the Georgia Institute of Technology in 1972 with a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering.

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Tandy Corp. announced Tuesday that consolidated sales and operating revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were $1,090,286,000, an increase of 11 percent over the year earlier sales and operating revenues of $985,977,000.

Net income per average common share for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was 65 cents, compared to 73 cents, reported for the year earlier period. Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, was $52,243,000 compared to $62,754,000 in the same quarter of the prior year.

John V. Roach, chairman and CEO commented, ''Given the uncertain retail environment in the wake of the Middle East crisis, we began to clear Radio Shack's inventories of certain discontinued consumer items and computer models prior to the holiday selling season. Clearance sales of these discontinued items were strong and negatively influenced gross margin and earnings in the period.''

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MONTVILLE, NJ (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The "Segri-Gator" will change forever methods of transporting and disposing of asbestos-containing material waste.

ADA (Asbestos Disposal Agency Inc.) introduced at the New York/New Jersey Environmental Expo, Oct. 16-18, the most advanced, environmentally safe, cost-effective "reduced pressure" containerization system ever designed for the transportation and disposal of asbestos waste.

Reactions to the Segri-Gator by contractors, transporters, consultants, and laboratory supervisors were unanimously positive. Contractors were impressed with the features of the Segri-Gator such as its tough hide, its evacuation port along with its nesting and stacking capability.

Consultants immediately saw the Segri-Gator as the definitive answer to temporary storage of ACM waste on site. They were also impressed with the ability of the Segri-Gator to allow movement of ACM waste through buildings and utilizing elevators without possible contamination or fiber release episodes.

Laboratory supervisors were impressed with the Segri-Gator as a secure storage container for ACM bulk samples which now pose a serious storage problem for their operations. Transporters liked the high packing efficiency possible with the Segri-Gator and the elimination of sloped and shifted loads.

New Jersey-based ADA Inc. reports that the "Segri-Gator," the trademark name for its patent pending container, will transport asbestos waste from its origin to a disposal site without risk to the public or the environment.

The system can be used in conjunction with truck trailers, railroad cars, airplane compartments, sea lane, or any mode of transportation used to move ACM to the asbestos waste monofill.

Unlike conventional transportation of asbestos, the Segri-Gator prevents any release of asbestos since bags are placed in airtight and leakproof, reduced-pressure containerization chambers that act as secondary containment.

In addition, the Segri-Gator takes the necessary steps to comply with Bill H.R. 3386 which prohibits transporting of asbestos or any infestious wastes except in a motor vehicle which is used only to provide transportation of asbestos or infestious waste.

The Segri-Gator, which is a state-of-the-art secondary chamber completely isolates its waste form the interior of a vehicle which insures no contamination of the vehicle interior.

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MERIDEN, CONN (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Cenvest Inc. (NASDAQ:CBCT), the bank holding company for Central Bank, First Central Bank and Meriden Trust & Safe Deposit Co., announced a loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $3,635,000, or 93 cents per share.

The loss was due primarily to a special loan loss provision of $5,360,000 recorded in September after Cenvest recognized loan losses of approximately $5,475,000. The special provision was in response to continuing weakness in the Connecticut economy, particularly in commercial real estate.

During the same quarter last year, Cenvest reported a loss of $1,517,000, or 39 cents per share, which was also the result of an addition to the allowance for loan losses of $3,591,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the net loss was $10,592,000, or $2.71 per share, compared to net income of $603,000, or 15 cents per share, for the comparable period last year. During the second quarter of 1990, Cenvest recorded a special loan loss provision of $13,200,000.

At Sept. 30, 1990, Cenvest's allowance for loan losses was $16,054,000, or 2.20 percent of total loans, compared to $6,753,000, or 0.95 percent of total loans at Dec. 31, 1989, Cenvest's fiscal year end. Nonperforming loans increased to $43,614,000, or 5.98 percent of total loans at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $14,836,000, or 2.09 percent at year end and nonperforming assets increased to $59,608,000, or 7.08 percent of total assets, compared to $23,192,000, or 2.78 percent at year end.

Total assets were $841,875,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $835,194,000 at Dec. 31, 1989. Cenvest's capital at Sept. 30, 1990, was $58,352,000, or 6.93 percent of total assets. Cenvest's primary capital was $74,406,000, or 8.67 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1990. Primary capital, as defined by the Federal Reserve Board, is shareholders' equity plus the general loan loss allowance. Primary capital on Dec. 31, 1989, was 9.14 percent of total assets.

Cenvest banks serve the central Connecticut area with 16 branches in 11 cities and towns.

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MECHANICSBURG, PA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Medical Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:CONT) Tuesday announced results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, which ended Sept. 30.

First quarter net operating revenues of $64,998,000 represent a 24 percent increase over the prior year's first quarter net operating revenues of $52,348,000. Net income for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 rose 81 percent to $2,615,000, or 17 cents per share, as compared to the net income for the prior year's first quarter which was $1,442,000 or 10 cents per share.

During the first quarter of fiscal 1991, Continental Medical Systems Inc. also continued its new hospital development activities and expansion of contract therapy services.

Continental Medical Systems Inc. is the nation's leading provider of comprehensive medical rehabilitation with annualized revenues currently exceeding $300 million.

CMS operates 14 rehabilitation hospitals and one specialty rehabilitation facility for a system total of 1,022 beds in Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts and Texas. CMS has 11 community-based rehabilitation hospitals under contstruction in Arkansas, California, Colorado, Indiana, Tennessee and Texas.

CMS operates 35 out-patient rehabilitation centers and manages four acute care in-patient rehabilitation units. CMS supplies physical, occupational and speech therapy services in more than 30 states through its VTA Management Services Inc., Pro-Therapy of America, RehabWorks Inc. and Communi-Care/Pro-Rehab subsidiaries.

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COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Max & Erma's Restaurants Inc. (NASDAQ: MAXE) announced Tuesday that its board of directors has increased the amount authorized for repurchase of its common stock from $1.0 million to $1.5 million.

Additionally, the company announced it has purchased approximately 53,000 shares and signed an agreement to redeem 303,000 shares and warrants to purchase 100,000 shares from Raymond D. Schoenbaum, a member of the company's board of directors from July 1987, until resigning Oct. 16, 1990, for personal reasons.

Todd B. Barnum, chairman and chief executive officer, thanked Schoenbaum for his significant contributions to the company. He said Schoenbaum's input will be deeply missed.

After completion of the transaction with Schoenbaum, Max & Erma's will have approximately 2,840,000 shares outstanding. Over the past 52 weeks, Max & Erma's stock has traded between 8-1/2 and 3-1/4 and closed Monday, Oct. 22, at 3-7/8. Barnum added that the remaining $250,000 authorized for repurchase of common stock will be used if the company's shares continue to be undervalued.

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RYE, NEW YORK (OTC. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Melville Corp., specialty retailer of a apparel, footwear, prescription drugs, health and beauty aids, toys and household furnishings, Tuesday reported sales and net earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990.

The company completed two significant acquisitions during the third quarter. On Aug. 17, 1990, the acquisition of the operating assets of Circus World Toy Stores Inc. was completed.

Peoples Drug Stores Inc. was acquired on Sept. 17, 1990. Both of these acquisitions were accounted for using the purchase method. The post-acquisition operating results have been included in the company's results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, consolidated net sales increased 10.5 percent to $2,023,033,000 as compared to $1,830,658,000 last year. Net earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $64,272,000, or 59 cents per share as compared to net earnings of $74,111,000, or 62 cents per share for the third quarter last year. The third quarter of 1990 was unfavorably impacted by one less selling day than the comparative prior year period. Excluding the sales of the third quarter acquisitions, sales have increased 8 percent during the third quarter of 1990.

Consolidated net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990 were $5,590,067,000, an 11 percent increase over net sales of $5,035,025,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to $150,333,000 as compared to $159,067,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

Net earnings per share for the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990 was $1.35 as compared to $1.40 last year. Sales and operating results generated from assets held for sale have been excluded and are not material to the

consolidated results.

Melville specialty retail chains, with stores located across the country, include Marshalls, the off-price brand name apparel chain; Chess King, the young men's apparel chain; Wilsons, in leather apparel; Bob's, the casual family apparel and footwear chain; Accessory Lady, the quality fashion accessory stores; CVS and Peoples, the prescription drugs, health and beauty aids chain; Freddy's, the ''deep discount'' drug and sundries stores; Thom McAn, Fan Club and the Meldisco Leased Department division in footwear; the Kay-Bee toy chain; Linens 'N Things, the brand name linens and domestics chain; This End Up, the casual furniture stores; and Prints Plus, the prints and wall decor stores.

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LONDON (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Brian Garraway, Deputy Chairman of B.A.T Industries, will join the Board of Allied Dunbar as executive chairman.

Brian Garraway's appointment follows the announcement that Sir Mark Weinberg, who has been non-executive chairman of Allied Dunbar since January 1989, wishes to pursue other options.

Sir Mark said, ''I am immensely proud to have led the original team that founded Allied Dunbar, and immensely proud of how Allied Dunbar has developed into a major part of the financial services industry of this country.

''The time has come to recognize that, as the Company has grown in size and importance, the vision of the founders has evolved into a vision that is the property of the management as a team and of the members of the Company's staff and sales force as a whole. This makes it a good moment for me to bow out.

''I wish them every success and look forward to seeing Allied Dunbar continue to prosper in the future.''

Mike Wilson will continue as chief executive until the end of December 1990 and then act as a consultant to Brian Garraway, on Allied Dunbar business, until the end of July 1991.

Allied Dunbar's new executive chairman, Brian Garraway, will continue to be the Deputy Chairman of B.A.T Industries and a member of the Chairman's Policy Committee (CPC), the key strategic and executive body of the B.A.T Industries Board. He will remain responsible to Pat Sheehy, Executive Chairman of B.A.T Industries, for the strategic development of the Group's activities in financial services.

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ILLIOPOLIS, ILL. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Borden Chemicals and Plastics Limited Partnership (NYSE: BCP and BCU) Tuesday announced a cash distribution of 53 cents per preference unit and enhanced common unit for the third quarter of 1990.

The increase over the 50 cent cash distribution for the same period last year reflected stronger industrywide demand for polyvinyl chloride (PVC) resins versus last year's quarter.

The distribution was declared at a meeting of the Board of Directors of BCP Management, Inc. (BCPM), the General Partner of the Partnership, and is payable November 12 to unitholders of record November 2.

The Partnership reported revenues of $101.7 million and net income of $11.7 million for the three-month period ended September 28, 1990, versus $103.4 million and $11.0 million, respectively, in the third quarter of 1989. After the General Partner's interest, net income per unit was 31 cents, compared with 30 cents in the same period of 1989.

The cash distribution declared exceeds earnings for the quarter primarily due to depreciation, a noncash expense, which when added back to earnings, results in higher cash flow and more cash available for distribution.

Borden Chemicals and Plastics Limited Partnership was formed to acquire and operate Borden, Inc.'s basic chemicals and polyvinyl chloride resins business and assets at Geismar, Louisiana, and Illiopolis, Illinois, and began operations on November 30, 1987. Borden, Inc. retains an ownership interest of two percent and serves as General Partner; publicly traded units account for 98 percent ownership.

BORDEN CHEMICALS AND PLASTICS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP Financial Highlights (In thousands, except per unit data)

	Three Months Ended	Nine Months Ended

	9/28/90	9/29/89	9/28/90	9/29/89
Revenues	$101,740	$103,413	$309,741	$369,321
Net Income	$11,667	$11,001	$30,535	$65,345
Less: 1 Percent General Partner Interest	116	110	305	653
Income Applicable to Limited Partners' Interest	$11,551	$10,891	$30,230	$64,692
Net Income Per Unit	$ .31	$ .30	$ .82	$1.76
Cash Distribution Declared Per Unit	$ .53	$ .50	$1.43	$2.10
Average Units	36,750	36,750	36,750	36,750

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Encore Computer Corp. announced Tuesday its intention to make OSF/1 available on its Multimax family of shared-memory multiprocessor systems.

In November 1989, Encore and OSF announced a strategic relationship in which Encore would provide its implementation of Mach and would work with OSF to provide a fully parallelized version of OSF/1. Encore worked with OSF to parallelize the 4.4 BSD file system, NFS, terminal handling, security, and other portions of OSF/1.

Additionally, Encore's Multimax computer system was chosen as the reference symmetric multiprocessing (SMP) port for OSF/1. Based on this endorsement by the OSF of Encore's leading multithreaded operating system technology, Encore has been actively involved in supplying reference machines to the OSF member companies for use in the development of their own versions of OSF/1.

On July 18, Encore delivered to the OSF the final implementation of the parallelized OSF/1 kernel making possible the release of OSF/1 in November. Encore is pleased to have been associated with OSF during this critical development period and looks forward to further strategic partnerships with OSF in the future.

It is Encore's intention to make available during early 1991 a significantly enhanced research environment based on OSF/1 on its high-performance Multimax platform.

According to Jim Spoerl, Encore's director of UNIX Product Management, "This is one mechanism that allows Encore to transfer our strategic and long-term investment in Mach, OSF/1, and parallel processing technology to our customer base.

"Encore's ivnestment of over a hundred man years in the research and development of multithreaded operating systems, networking, parallel languages and development environments, thus will be directly available to Encore's Multimax customers.

"Encore's enhanced OSF/1 will be offered as an 'Advanced Technology Research Product,' and it is intended to provide an evolving computational environment for many of Encore's 4.3 BSD customers in the academic, research, and government areas. In many cases, this will constitute a direct fulfillment of the request of our BSD customers for advanced technology."

"Now, due to this strategic relationship with OSF, Encore will be able to offer researchers in high-performance computing a state-of-the-art parallel and distributed operating system, network, tools, and an advanced development environment.

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NORWOOD, MA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Computer Products Inc., a subsidiary of Phoenix Technologies Ltd., Tuesday announced the availability of the PC User Guide with Diagnostics.

The PC User Guide was developed for resellers and manufacturers of PC-compatible systems to address their customers' demands for quality, well-written product documentation. It is a complete technical reference manual containing hardware diagnostic software. The User Guide comprehensively reviews all components and operations of PC, XT, and 286/386 AT compatible systems.

''Since most branded systems come with complete documentation and diagnostics, the PC User Guide offers resellers, system integrators, and manufacturers an important product that helps them achieve a degree of parity with the larger branded vendors. Together with the PhoenixBIOS and packaged MS-DOS, the Phoenix PC User Guide enhances the value of a PC-compatible system. In addition, diagnostic software is fast becoming an essential tool for today's PC user,'' said Howard Marson, product manager of Phoenix Computer Products Inc.

The diagnostic and utility software bundled with the PC User Guide includes: hardware diagnostics for testing system board components, ports, disk drives, and I/O devices; Phoenix Control Center with disk cache, environment testing performance metrics and system analysis; and additional Phoenix utility software, such as UnDelete, AT Setup, low-level formatter, and external floppy driver.

''The Phoenix PC User Guide and Diagnostics is a key, value-added feature of my compatible system offering. We believe users have a right to expect complete documentation and diagnostics when they purchase a PC-compatible system. But, since most vendors don't typically include this as part of their product offering, we have a definite competitive advantage. The Phoenix name has added an important measure of brand name recognition to my offering,'' said Steven Wagstaff, president of Ares Microdevelopment, a PC-compatible manufacturer located in Farmington Hills, Mich.

Phoenix Computer Products Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Phoenix Technologies Ltd. (NASDAQ: PTEC), the compatibility products company, famous for its Phoenix ROM BIOS. While Phoenix Technologies specializes in developing and licensing compatibility products directly to OEM customers, Phoenix Computer Products' focus is on distributing and marketing systems software, packaged MS-DOS, and operating system enhancement products to PC-compatible manufacturers, integrators and resellers.

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RIVER GROVE, IL (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Major League Baseball has designated Wilson fielder's gloves and mitts as the ''official gloves'' of Major League Baseball.

As part of the exclusive endorsement, Wilson professional model baseball gloves will be included among merchandise offered in MLB's prestigious Authentic Diamond Collection.

Nearly 250 Major League Baseball players currently use Wilson model gloves, including Barry Larkin, Roger Clemens, Kirby Puckett, Kirk Gibson, Shawon Dunston, Kevin McReynolds, Dave Righetti and George Brett.

Beginning next spring, Wilson will feature the MLB and individual team logos on selected professional and retail gloves. Wilson will also market MLB-endorsed glove-leather office accessories such as desk folders, attache cases and baseball card binders, and a line of director's chairs featuring individual team colors and logos.

''The success of our NFL licensed product line spearheaded the drive to establish similar products for Major League Baseball,'' said Dennis Grapenthin Wilson's director of special markets. ''It's no secret that there is a certain executive prestige connected to briefcases manufactured from actual football or baseball glove leather.''

Wilson Sporting Goods Co., the largest sporting goods company in the United States, is based in River Grove. The company designs, manufactures and distributes sporting goods throughout the world. Wilson is a market leader in golf, racket and team sports.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Tuesday announced a four-cent increase in the domestic spot selling price of electrolytic copper.

Its new price, effective immediately, is $1.34 per pound for cathodes on a delivered basis.

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantic Southeast Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ASAI) Tuesday reported net income of $6.8 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $8.0 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net income per share was 58 cents on 11.6 million average shares outstanding for the third quarter 1990 compared with 66 cents per share on 12.0 million average shares outstanding for the same period of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $21.0 million, or $1.79 per share, compared with $22.8 million, or $1.87 per share, for the similar period in 1989.

Revenues for ASA's third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $47.9 million and $141.1 million, respectively, compared with $46.8 million and $134.8 million in the similar periods of 1989.

Third quarter 1990 results were affected by a 23.7 percent increase in the per gallon price of jet fuel and a $1.8 million write-down of assets associated with the phase-out of an aircraft type, offset by the receipt of a $2.0 million sales tax refund.

Atlantic Southeast Airlines Inc. is Atlanta's largest regional air carrier, and now offers service to 15 cities from a second hub in Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas. ASA's stock is traded in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol ASAI.

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BROOKLYN, NY (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Creative Technologies Corp. (NASDAQ:CRTV) announced that it issued 3,150,000 shares of its common stock upon exercise of warrants issued in connection with the sale of the 1989, 1990 and 1990-A Preferred Shares.

The exercise price for the warrants was $.05 per share which was reduced from the exercise prices of $.75, $.50 and $.375 per share for the warrants issued in connection with the sale of the 1989, 1990 and 1990-A Preferred Shares, respectively. The holders of the Preferrred Shares also waived their rights to convert the Preferred Shares into Common Shares. The company has 7,395,595 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding after the exercise of the warrants.

The company also announced that it declared and will pay a dividend in the aggregate amount of $159,973 which represents the full amount of the accrued dividend on the outstanding 1989, 1990 and 1990-A Preferred Shares through Sept. 30. The company has 600 1989 Preferred Shares, 925 1990 Preferred Shares and 100 1990-A Preferred Shares outstanding. Dividends accrue at the rate of $140 per annum for each Preferred Share.

Creative Technologies Corp. develops and markets products for the small appliance market.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Seitel Inc. (AMEX: SEI) Tuesday reported record revenues and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 reached an all-time third quarter record of $5,669,922, a 63 percent increase over third quarter 1989 revenues of $3,472,246.

Net income for the 1990 quarter increased 99 percent to $1,184,888, or 23 cents per fully diluted share, compared with 1989 third quarter net income of $595,778, or 14 cents per fully diluted share.

The increase in net income per share was even more significant since there was an increase in the weighted average number of fully diluted shares outstanding from 4,361,429 in the 1989 quarter to 5,128,734 in the 1990 quarter.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were a record $16,523,088, a 43 percent increase over revenues of $11,577,673 reported for the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 increased 72 percent to $3,361,600, or 71 cents per fully diluted share (4,714,477) compared with $1,954,887 or 46 cents per fully diluted share (4,247,843) in 1989.

Paul A. Frame, Seitel's president, said: ''Seitel's ability to create a library of high quality data in active exploration areas has been recognized by our clients in the form of strong library sales as well as new funding of data creation projects.

''Our data library, created to allow for lower-risk, more cost-effective exploration for hydrocarbon reserves, has continued to perform for our shareholders.

''Client confidence in our geophysical and marketing ability has allowed us to continue data creation at an aggressive rate, positioning Seitel to take advantage of conditions prevalent in the industry both now and in the future.''

Seitel Inc. is engaged in the development of a proprietary seismic data library and arranging the creation and marketing of seismic data.

The analysis of seismic data for the identification and definition of underground geological structures is a principal technique used in oil and gas exploration to determine the existence and location of subsurface hydrocarbons.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - In response to Disney's announcement Tuesday of its plans to go forward with Yamaichi Securities Co. Ltd. on a film financing joint venture related to Disney's 1991 film productions, Roland W. Betts, president and founder of Silver Screen, stated:

''During the past six years, Silver Screen has built sturdy, equitable parnership structures that have produced some 75 feature films and that have been profitable and fun for our investors. Today there are 140,000 Silver Screen investors across America -- roughly the same number as Disney shareholders -- who have invested in excess of $1 billion in Silver Screen.''

Tom A. Bernstein, executive vice president of Silver Screen, added: ''The Silver Screen/Disney relationship has been a true partnership -- serving both companies well. However, the difficulties faced by Hollywood today, including rapidly escalating film budgets and talent participations, made it impossible for us to come to terms with Disney on a new Silver Screen offering. While we regret that the investing American public will not have the opportunity to continue its partnership with Disney at this time, we take pride in our achievements over the past six years.''

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DALLAS (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Centex Corp. (NYSE:CTX) Tuesday announced financial results for the second quarter and first six months of the company's 1991 fiscal year.

Dallas-based Centex, has operations in home building and mortgage banking, general construction, construction products and savings and loans.

For the quarter ended September 30, revenues reached $601,921,000, a record for any quarter and a 15 percent increase over $521,312,000, for the same quarter in the previous fiscal year. Net earnings for the quarter were $14,600,000, a 7 percent decline from $15,644,000 for the same quarter a year ago.

Earnings per share for the current quarter were 95 cents, 6 percent less than $1.01 last year.

For the current six months, corporate revenues totaled a record $1,167,835,000 up 18 percent from $985,940,000 for the same period in fiscal 1990. Net earnings for the current period reached an all-time high of $31,070,000, one

percent higher than $30,909,000 for the same period a year ago.

Net earnings for the current six months were $2 per share compared to $2.01 per share for the same period last year, due to a slight increase in the number of shares outstanding.

Revenues from Centex's home building and mortgage banking business were a record $303.5 million for the current quarter, 20 percent higher than $253.3 million for the same quarter last year. Operating earnings from home building and mortgage banking were $24.8 million for the current quarter, an 11 percent increase over $22.3 million a year ago.

Home building and mortgage banking revenues rose 27 percent to a record $580.9 million for the current six months from $456.8 million for the same period last year. Operating earnings from this business reached an all-time high of $50.7 million in the current period, 20 percent above $42.4 million reported for the similar period a year ago.

Home closings for the current quarter were 2,220 units, a 12 percent increase over 1,991 units for the same quarter in fiscal 1990. Closings for the six months reached 4,241 units, 17 percent higher than 3,640 units for the same period a year ago. The backlog of units sold but not closed at September 30, 1990 was 2,674 units, 11 percent below 3,012 units at September 30, 1989.

General construction revenues were $241.4 million for the current quarter, 14 percent higher than $212.6 million for the same quarter last year. Operating earnings from general construction were $2.8 million, down 10 percent from $3.1 million for the same quarter a year ago.

Revenues from general construction were $476.5 million for the current six months, 13 percent higher than $422.7 million for the six months a year ago. Operating earnings from general construction were $5.8 million, 17 percent less than $7 million for the same period last year. The backlog of uncompleted construction cnntracts at September 30, 1990 was $1.030 billion, 3 percent higher than $1.001 billion at September 30, 1989.

Construction products revenues were $44.1 million for the quarter, 12 percent higher than $39.5 million for the same quarter in fiscal 1990. Operating earnings from construction products were $2 million for the current quarter, 60 percent below $4.8 million for the same quarter last year.

Revenues from construction products were $84.6 for the current six months, up 13 percent from $74.9 million for the same period in the prior fiscal year. Operating earnings from construction products were $4.6 mlllion for the current period, a 47 percent decline from $8.5 million for the similar period last year.

Savings and loan revenues were $12.8 million for the current quarter, 19

percent below $15.8 million for the same quarter last year. Operating earnings from the savings and loan were $544,000 compared to $130,000 for the same quarter a year ago.

Revenues from the savings and loan were $25.8 million for the current six months, down 18 percent from $31.6 million for the same period in fiscal 1990. Operating earnings from the savings and loan were $813,000 for the current period vs. $186,000 for the same period last year.

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WAUKESHA, WI (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Electronic Tele-Communications Inc. announced its highest earnings in over three years for both the quarter and the first nine months of 1990.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30 was $444,125, or $.21 per Class A common share, compared to $120,639 or $.07 per share for the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the third quarter was $217,720 or $.10 a share vs. $34,869 or $.02 for the third quarter of 1989. Net sales for the three and nine month periods of 1990 were $3,130,889 and $9,440,934, respectively, compared to $3,256,383 and $6,777,103 for the comparable periods of 1989.

Dean Danner, President of ETC, said, ''Demand for our products continues to be strong and we anticipate continued healthy sales and earnings growth in the coming quarters. Our new systems like the AIRO, System 3, and Intr-Act, are moving Electronic Tele-Communications into new markets and strengthening our position in the expanding voice information industry.''

Danner continued, ''ETC is now realizing significant savings from the full integration of operations resulting from the acquisition of The Audichron Company last year. Earnings from operations for the first nine months of 1990 were $950,595 compared to $350,883 for the same period in 1989.''

Electronic Tele-Communications is a leading domestic manufacturer of digital voice information systems. Its equipment, compatible with most telephone systems, provides a wide range of audio information via the telephone network. These systems interface with customer computer systems to provide voice access to computerized information. Time, temperature, road conditions, stock prices, repair status and other types of information are examples of the wide range of services ETC equipment provides. ETC systems can also announce new and old telephone numbers, flexible pay telephone charges, class of service announcements, and service specific customer dialing information. Manufacturing, engineering, and marketing operations are located in Waukesha and Atlanta. A regional sales office is located in Fairfax, Calif.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Millicom Inc. (NASDAQ:MILL) announced Tuesday that the Filipino Supreme Court upheld the authority of the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) to grant permission to Express Telecommunications Co. (EXTELCOM), a subsidiary of Millicom Inc., to operate its cellular telephone network in the Philippines and to interconnect with the Philippine Long Distance Telephone Co. (PLDT).

The decision dismissed the petition filed by the PLDT which questioned the provisional authority granted by NTC to EXTELCOM to operate mobile telephone service in metro Manila. By ruling in favor of the NTC, the Supreme Court said the commission is the regulatory agency of the government with jurisdiction over all telecommunications entities.

The majority decision of the Supreme Court noted, ''Despite the fact that there is a virtual monopoly of the telephone system by the PLDT in the country at present, service is sadly inadequate. Customer demands are hardly met, whether fixed or mobile. There is a unanimous cry to hasten the development of higher quality telephone service ... Free competition in the industry may provide the answer ... and reduce user dissatisfaction.''

Millicom's Chairman and CEO, J. Shelby Bryan comments, ''We are now in the process of arranging interconnect with the PLDT, which will enable us to provide modern, efficient, and continuous telecommunications service to the citizens of the Philippines.''

Millicom Inc., is a diversified, international telecommunications company with its main interests in radio telephony, alphanumeric paging, and satellite television.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Foster Wheeler Corp. Chairman and President Louis E. Azzato, speaking to a group of investment analysts Tuesday, said he expected third quarter earnings for the corporation to be in the range of 20 to 25 cents per share, which will result in estimated nine-month earnings of 75 to 80 cents per share.

''Our nine-month financial results should show a significant improvement over the same period in 1989,'' Azzato noted. For the third quarter of 1989, Foster Wheeler reported earnings of 17 cents per share, and 68 cents per share for the nine month period.

Foster Wheeler will issue full third quarter results on Monday, Oct. 29.

''Our backlog is estimated to be $2.45 billion, which will be the highest in our history,'' Azzato said. This compares with $1.444 billion for the similar period last year. ''New bookings for the nine-month period of this year are estimated at $2.1 billion,'' he noted, ''compared to $1.233 billion at the end of the third quarter last year.''

Looking forward to the end of the year, Azzato said he anticipated net earnings of $37 million to $40 million for 1990, up some 10 to 20 percent from last year's net earnings of $33.6 million.

Similarly, he estimated year-end revenues to be about $1.750 billion, up 35 percent from 1989's $1.293 billion; 1990 bookings of $2.8 billion, up 64 percent from $1.712 in 1989; and a year-end backlog of $2.6 billion, up 62 percent from last year's $1.604 billion.

Foster Wheeler Corp., is a worldwide organization offering a broad range of design, engineering, construction, manufacturing, management, real estate development and environmental services. The corporation's headquarters are at Clinton, N.J.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Amoco Oil Co. Tuesday decreased its wholesale gasoline, heating oil, and diesel fuel prices to dealers and jobbers in many markets by as much as 5 to 6 cents per gallon, the company said Tuesday.

Amoco's 30-state average wholesale gasoline price decreased 1.25 cents per gallon today, while the average price of heating oil and diesel fuel fell 5.3 cents.

''Our price moves today reflect competitive pressures and lower crude oil costs,'' said Robert J. Rauscher, Amoco's marketing vice president. ''We said at the time of rapidly rising prices that we were being responsive to the market, and the same holds true now.''

While several cities saw Amoco reduce gasoline prices by less than 1 cent per gallon, and several markets saw modest increases, Amoco's gasoline price decreases included 1-cent drops in Milwaukee, the Twin Cities, St. Louis, and Chicago; 2 cents in Des Moines; 3.5 cents in Cedar Rapids; and 5 cents in Richmond, Va., and Charleston, S.C.

Amoco's heating oil and diesel fuel prices declined 5 cents per gallon in Detroit, Nashville, and Fairfax, Va., and 6 cents in Chicago.

Factors leading to the price reductions include lower competitive wholesale prices, strong product inventories, and falling crude oil prices. However, there were no price decreases in many major markets where gasoline prices had not gone up nearly as much as crude oil.

''We have witnessed extraordinary volatility in world oil markets based on tensions in the middle east,'' Rauscher said. ''No one can predict the outcome of events in that troubled part of the world.

''Crude oil price increases consistently have exceeded gasoline price increases, and at its peak, crude oil had increased 55 cents per gallon since July 1,'' he said. ''Amoco's average wholesale gasoline price increase over the same period has been only 29 cents. While we have been in a substantially underrecovered position during most of that time, our policy of responding to the competitive pressures of the marketplace has not changed.''

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MUNCIE, IN (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Ball Corp. (NYSE:BLL) Tuesday declared a 29 cent quarterly cash dividend on the company's common stock.

The dividend is payable Dec. 14 to shareholders of record on Nov. 30.

Ball last week reported record third quarter net earnings available to common shareholders of $18 million, 51.3 percent above a year ago, on sales of $351.8 million, 9.5 percent higher than 1989's third quarter. Earnings per share rose 59.6 percent to 83 cents.

Ball Corp. manufactures and markets packaging, industrial and consumer products, and provides aerospace systems and professional services to the federal sector. The company participates in the domestic glass container industry and Canadian packaging market through two joint venture companies,

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Tuesday announced that effective immediately, it is decreasing its base spot sales price of refined lead by two cents per pound. The new price is 41 cents per pound, F.O.B. delivered in carload lots.

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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GREENVILLE, S.C. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - American Federal Bank (NASDAQ:AMFB) announced Tuesday third quarter net income of $3.7 million or 44 cents per common stock equivalent assuming full dilution, compared with $520,000 or 13 cents per share in the third quarter a year ago.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $5.7 million compared to $3.7 million in the first nine months of 1989. Earnings per common stock equivalent assuming full dilution for the 1990 period were 78 cents.

No comparable per share amount is available for the first nine months of 1989 since the bank did not become a public stock company until Jan. 26, 1989. Earnings per share from Jan. 26 to Sept. 30, 1989 were 74 cents.

Earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were affected by the sale of 25 Finance South branch offices and related loans receivable. Finance South is the bank's consumer finance subsidiary. Roy Abercrombie, president and chief executive officer, said, ''This transaction resulted in an after-tax gain of $2.7 million in the third quarter on the sale of only 2 percent of our assets.

''Because this line of business has been so successful, we are going to continue the Finance South operations,'' Abercrombie said. ''A new office has been opened in Williamston and additional offices are planned for the near

future. The bank's future earnings will, however, be reduced somewhat while we rebuild the Finance South portfolio.''

Third quarter net income without the gain on sale was nearly twice that of the third quarter a year ago, due primarily to higher fee income, continued control of operating expenses, and reduced interest expense from the conversion of subordinated debentures into preferred stock earlier in 1990.

''Loan volumes for the first nine months of the year have been in line with the bank's projections for modest growth,'' Abercrombie said. ''Upstate South Carolina is beginning to experience a softening in loan demand.

''Like other financial institutions around the nation, we are seeing an increase in nonperforming loans,'' he said. Total nonperforming loans increased to $19.4 million at Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $12.6 million at Dec. 31, 1989.

''Residential loans account for 44 percent of nonperforming loans and have historically experienced virtually no loss. The allowance for possible loan losses at Sept. 30, 1990 was $6.0 million or 31 percent of total nonperforming loans.

''Weakening economic conditions suggest the need for extra caution in recognizing problem assets,'' Abercrombie said. ''In order to preserve quality, we are classifying loans in the nonperforming category and taking charge-offs at an earlier stage.''

The provision for possible loan losses was $4.5 million for the first nine months of 1990 compared with $2.8 million for the like period in 1989. Charge-offs in the first nine months of 1990 have been $4.5 million compared to $3.8 million for the like period in 1989.

American Federal, whose common stock is traded on the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol AMFB, has $1.1 billion in assets and operates in eight counties of northwestern South Carolina.

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LITTLETON, MA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Alliant Computer Systems (NASDAQ-ALNT) has filed a lawsuit with the U.S. District Court in Massachusetts against Honeywell Inc. and Alliant Techsystems Inc., a newly created subsidiary being spun off to Honeywell stockholders.

The suit is for trademark infringement and unfair competition. It seeks to prevent Alliant Techsystems from using the ''Alliant'' name. ''Alliant'' is a

federally registered trademark of Alliant Computer Systems Corp.

Alliant Techsystems, based in Minnetonka, Minn., is comprised of Honeywell's former defense and marine systems business, test instruments division and signal analysis center. Honeywell is in the process of distributing to its stockholders the shares of Alliant Techsystems' stock, after which Alliant Techsystems will be listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE).

Alliant Computer Systems Corp. manufactures standards-based parallel supercomputers with visualization tools that enable scientists and engineers to quickly interpret and solve complex problems.

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FITCHBURG, MA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Anthony Cetrone, president of Micron Products Inc. (ASE:PMR) announced that Kuno Laren, a controlling shareholder and chairman of the board of directors of the company, resigned from the board of directors as of today.

Laren had served as chairman of the board of the company for the past five years and as the president of the company during various periods between 1982 and 1990. He will continue to serve the company as a vice president.

Laren's son, Guy Laren, also resigned from the board of directors of the company on Oct. 23. Guy Laren has served as a director of the company since 1988. Laren and his son resigned from the board to allow a greater management role for other principal shareholders of the company.

The board of directors of the company elected Clifford R. Roth and Richard J. Emerine to fill the vacancies created by the resignations. Roth and Emerine are directors of American Consolidated Financial Corp. (''AmCo''), the parent company of AmCo Investment Co., a principal holder of the company's Class F Preferred Stock.

Effective Oct. 23, the board of the company elected Roth the chairman of the board and the chief executive officer of the company.

Cetrone added that Kuno Laren and his affiliates who jointly own approximately 41 percent of the outstanding common stock of the company, and AmCo Investment

Co., the owner of 45.5 percent of the shares of the company's Class F Preferred Stock, entered into a voting agreement under the terms of which each shareholder will vote all of the shares of the company's stock held by the shareholder for the election of the slate of directors nominated by the board at the annual meeting on Nov. 27, 1990 thereby confirming a change of control of the company.

Each shareholder also agreed to vote for the proposed amendment to the company's Articles of Organization to amend the terms of the Class F Preferred Stock to permit immediate conversion of the Class F Preferred Stock into 3,666,850 shares of common stock (58 percent ownership interest) of the company.

Previously conversion was conditioned by the requirement to register and list such common shares with the American Stock Exchange. Freiburghaus & Partners S.A. of Geneva, Switzerland, owner of 54.5 percent of the Class F Preferred Stock, indicated that it will also vote for the amendment.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - William C. Mitchell, chairman of Lake Shore Bancorp. Inc., reported that the board of directors at their regular meeting held on Oct. 22 declared a quarterly cash dividend of 9.5 cents per share on the common stock of the company.

The dividend will be payable Dec. 10 to shareholders of record Nov. 16.

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DFW AIRPORT, TEXAS (OTC. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - American Airlines Tuesday announced a $100 million expansion program that will make its Caribbean hub at San Juan, Puerto Rico, nearly four times larger than it is right now.

Robert L. Crandall, the airlines's chairman and president, said the Phase II expansion of the San Juan hub will increase the total size of the facility from its present 260,000 square feet to more than one million square feet when construction is completed in about four years.

The project includes the development of a new passenger concourse, the creation of 10 additional wide-body gates -- increasing the terminal's total

capacity to 25 gates -- and the construction of a new customs and immigration facility capable of handling up to 5,000 passengers per hour.

Crandall said American and its regional airline partner, American Eagle, eventually may operate a total of as many as 200 flights a day from the San Juan hub, which was opened in 1986 as the focal point of the airline's Caribbean route network.

The Phase II expansion, announced by Crandall at a news conference in New York is on top of an existing expansion and improvement program at the hub that will be completed by December and includes an expanded Admirals Club, a larger customs facility and six new aircraft gates.

Elsewhere in the Caribbean, the airline is investing in an assortment of terminal expansion and improvement projects on several islands. These include a new terminal at St. Thomas, a new passenger concourse at Santo Domingo and expanded terminal facilities at St. Croix, St. Maarten, Puerto Plata, Montego Bay and Kingston.

''American is committed to growth and expansion in the Caribbean,'' Crandall said. ''The region has fully recovered from the effects of last year's hurricane. In fact, the Caribbean is better than ever -- once again one of the world's truly great resort and vacation destinations -- and American is expressing its confidence in the long-term future of the Caribbean basin by making substantial investments to improve and enlarge the San Juan hub.''

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OAK BROOK, IL (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - McDonald's Corp. Tuesday announced record Systemwide sales, total revenues and net income for the nine months and third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This was McDonald's 102nd consecutive quarter of record year-to-year increases in operating results. Net income per common share rose 13 percent for the nine months and 14 percent for the quarter. Net income and Total revenues increased 11 percent for both periods. Systemwide sales grew 8 percent for the nine months and 9 percent for the quarter.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS	Nine Months Ended September 30			
(Dollars in millions, except			Increase	
per common share amounts)	1990	1989	$	Pct.
Net income per common share	$ 1.69	$ 1.49	.20	13
Net income	$ 616.1	$ 555.6	60.5	11
Total revenues	$ 5,050.6	$ 4,561.7	488.9	11

Systemwide sales	$13,938.8	$12,862.2	1,076.6	8

	Third Quarter Ended September 30			
			Increase	
	1990	1989	$	Pct.
Net income per common share	$ .67	$ .59	.08	14
Net income	$ 242.2	$ 217.9	24.3	11
Total revenues	$ 1,816.2	$ 1,631.8	184.4	11
Systemwide sales	$ 4,998.1	$ 4,587.7	410.4	9

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Systemwide sales represent sales by company-operated, franchised and affiliated restaurants. Increases in Systemwide sales for the nine months and third quarter were due to new restaurant expansion, higher sales by existing restaurants and stronger foreign currencies. U.S. sales were affected by marketing and promotional programs, as well as competition.

Sales outside of the United States continued to grow, reflecting increased market penetration and higher sales by existing restaurants. Expansion and marketing programs helped sales in Canada.

Sales in Europe were exceptionally strong as a result of accelerated expansion promotional programs, new products, and stronger foreign currencies in most countries. Sales in the Pacific were affected by weaker local currencies, partially offset by expansion and marketing efforts. In Latin America, sales trends were strong as a result of a greater number of restaurants and advertising programs.

Four of the six largest markets outside of the U.S.--Australia, Germany, England and France--reported double-digit sales increases on a local currency basis, with Canada and Japan growing at a slower pace. Many other markets--including Spain, Switzerland, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Brazil, and Mexico--continue to expand and increase market penetration. These markets recorded strong sales gains; as economies of scale are achieved over the next several years, these markets should be important contributors to consolidated profitability.

A total of 317 restaurants were added in the first nine months of 1990 (360 in 1989), including 159 outside of the United States (157 in 1989). An additional 342 restaurants were under construction at quarter-end (322 in 1989), including 163 outside of the U.S. (143 in 1989).

Company-operated restaurant margins for the nine months of 1990 were 17.9 percent of sales, compared to 18.1 percent in 1989. Third quarter margins were 18.6 percent in 1990, compared to 19.3 percent one year ago.

Increases in occupancy and other operating expenses as a percent of sales were partially offset by lower food costs in the quarter, and for the nine-month period, by lower food and labor costs. Franchised restaurant margins for the nine months were 83.0 percent of applicable revenues, compared to 83.7 percent one year ago. Third quarter margins were 83.4 percent in 1990, compared to 84.5 percent one year ago.

Margins in markets outside of the United States continued to improve. For the nine-month periods, markets outside of the United States contributed 49 percent and 24 percent of consolidated company-operated and franchised restaurant dollar margins, respectively, compared to 40 percent and 20 percent one year ago.

Increases in Other revenues--net were principally due to higher gains on sales of restaurant businesses ($44 million for the first nine months of 1990, compared to $30 million in 1989), higher gains on debt extinguishments and property dispositions.

Increases in general, administrative and selling expenses were due primarily to higher employee and advertising costs resulting from expansion around the world.

Increases in interest expense were attributable to higher average debt outstanding as a result of expansion, reinvestment and treasury stock purchases.

The effective income tax rate decreased to 35.8 percent for 1990, compared to 37.3 percent one year ago, primarily due to the realization of greater tax benefits related to certain foreign operations.

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DALLAS (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - International Remote Imaging Systems Inc. (IRIS) reported further progress Tuesday on its revolutionary new multi-color image analysis technology applied to the differentiation of white blood cells at the joint fall meeting of the College of American Pathologists and the American Society of Clinical Pathologists.

Dr. Harvey Kasdan, IRIS vice president of Research and Development, described further development of this new way to differentiate white blood cells based on color expression of 2-methylpolymethine (2-MPM), a supravital metachromatic

stain.

Using the company's proprietary Automated Intelligent Microscopy (AIM) technology, Dr. Kasdan showed how a machine could automatically distinguish various immature white-blood cells using an extension of the special algorithms and new color parameters measured by AIM and used in the differentiation of the five major classes of white blood cells reported earlier this year.

Significantly simpler than conventional subjective morphological interpretation of size and nuclear details of Wright-Glemsa stained blood cells, the new IRIS method measures unique color expressions of cytoplasmic composition among different classes of cells.

For example, maturation of myelocytic cells is indicated by a transition from yellow to magenta to yellow coloration, with blast cells appearing pale yellow promyelocytes magenta, myelocytes deep brown and mature neutrophils deep yellow.

Dr. Kasdan expressed his belief that this application of AIM heralds the beginning of a new era in which 1,000 to 2,000 cell-based white cell differential counts can be obtained automatically in less than two minutes, while at the same time collection and display of images of immature white blood cells for technologist review becomes possible.

Such an instrument would obviate the need for manual preparation and examination of blood smears, a procedure which is the most time-consuming activity in many clinical laboratories today.

IRIS, a NASDAQ-listed Chatsworth, Calif. company, manufactures and sells The Yellow IRIS urinalysis workstation, an instrument based on its proprietary AIM technology, to clinical laboratories nationwide.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Ogden Corp. (NYSE:OG), which owns approximately 68 percent of the outstanding shares of common stock of ERC Environmental and Energy Services Co. Inc. (NASDAQ:ERCE), has offered to acquire the remaining interest for a cash consideration of $14.75 per share.

Ogden's offer was communicated to the ERCE Board of Directors Tuesday.

ERCE has appointed a Special Committee of its Board of Directors, consisting of three non-management directors, to consider the fairness of the proposal to

the public stockholders of ERCE. If the Special Committee recommends acceptance of the offer, the proposed transaction will be submitted to the ERCE stockholders at a special meeting.

The favorable vote of 66-2/3 percent of the shares held by the public stockholders will be required to approve the transaction. Ogden's offer is also contingent upon the approval of a definitive merger agreement.

Ogden Corp. is a company engaged in providing operating, project and professional support services through subsidiaries. ERCE is headquartered in Fairfax, Va., and is engaged primarily in providing professional and technical services to the environmental, energy and infrastructure markets in the United States and abroad.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Centerior Energy Corp. (NYSE:CX) Tuesday reported third-quarter earnings of $99.7 million, or 72 cents per share, down 8 percent from $108.9 million, or 78 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

The Northern Ohio electric utility holding company attributed the earnings decline to continuing reductions in operating cost deferrals and carrying charges; organizational restructuring costs; higher depreciation charges for nuclear units, and higher interest expenses resulting from additional financings.

The company has written off $49 million this quarter ($53 million in total) to cover pension and severance package enhancements for nearly 600 employees who elected early retirement and 45 who left under a severance program and to additional related restructuring costs. The remaining $4 million was expensed earlier. The $49 million charge in the third quarter was largely offset by a related pension settlement gain of $41 million resulting from many departing employees selecting lump sum, rather than monthly, payments.

The organizational restructuring was the outgrowth of a management audit which was completed this past spring and identified potential savings of nearly $100 million a year in operations and maintenance costs for Centerior's two subsidiaries, Cleveland Electric and Toledo Edison.

The salary and benefit savings associated with the restructuring will amount to $20 million in 1990 and a greater amount in future years.

In reporting third quarter results, Centerior noted the continuing improvement

in the quality of its earnings. The company's non-cash credits continue to decline and the cash component of its earnings continues to grow as electric rates increasingly reflect investments in two nuclear units, Perry 1 and Beaver Valley 2, both of which went in service late in 1987.

Third quarter revenues were up 6 percent from the 1989 third quarter, reflecting a 7 percent rate increase effective Feb. 1, 1990, slightly offset by a change in the mix of residential, commercial and industrial sales. Total kilowatt-hour sales remained level.

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APPLETON, WI (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - At their recent meeting, the Valley board of directors declared a 28 cents per share dividend ($1.12 annualized).

This dividend is payable Dec. 7, to shareholders of record Nov. 30.

Valley Bancorporation is the third largest bank holding company headquartered in Wisconsin. Valley currently serves Wisconsin through more than 100 banking offices with additional financial service companies engaged in leasing, insurance, data processing, trust service, brokerage and credit card servicing. The company's common stock is traded on the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol VYBN.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Airlines (AMEX:TEX) Tuesday announced it has restructured its senior management in tandem with reconfirming its primary goal of becoming a preferred global carrier.

At an Oct. 22 meeting, the board of directors took steps to ensure the company is well positioned to succeed in the face of higher fuel costs, including a streamlining of its senior management structure.

''With radically higher fuel costs, Continental must become a stronger competitor in the global marketplace. We have reaffirmed our intention to become a preferred airline among frequent travelers around the world,'' said Hollis Harris, chairman and chief executive officer.

Harris was given the additional role of president, replacing Mickey Foret who

will leave the company to pursue other interests.

As part of an effort to ensure that Continental's management structure is lean and efficient at a time when all airlines are facing unpredictable and unprecedented fuel costs, other management changes were announced.

Leaving the company will be Neal Meehan, senior vice president-customer services; Clark Onstad, senior vice president-properties and government affairs; Jim Arpey, senior vice president aircraft programs; and Elliott Seiden, vice president and associate general counsel for Continental Airlines Holdings Inc.

''These executives helped to grow Continental, and certainly deserve recognition for their ceaseless efforts here,'' Harris said. Thomas Kalil was named senior vice president-customer service, reporting to John Nelson, executive vice president-marketing.

Lewis Jordan, executive vice president and system general manager, was given additional responsibility for managing the company's international division. International division vice president Pete Runnette will report to Jordan.

''These actions position Continental with a lean and efficient management structure that reflects the realities of operating during this fuel crisis,'' Harris said.

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POMPANO BEACH, Fla. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - ROCK-A-BYE-BABY INC., a Pompano Beach-based manufacturer of proprietary infant care products, has arranged the sale of 100,000 shares of preferred convertible stock to a group of European investors.

The private placement, in which the firm was represented by the New York law firm of Gold & Wachtel, will generate $500,000 in working capital for the company when fully subscribed. If converted to common stock, the placement will represent 35 percent of ROCK-A-BYE BABY INC.'s issued common shares, which are traded over the counter.

Andrew Horn, president of the company, said proceeds from the sale are being used for operating capital, and to expand the company's product line. ''We have signed letters of intent on innovative new products and continue to look for others that complement our growth strategy.''

Last year ROCK-A-BYE-BABY acquired the rights to COMFY WIPE WARMER, a patented

warming device for baby wipes, and recently began marketing an improved edition of the product. In addition, the company has just introduced ROCK-A-BYE BUNNY, the new companion product to ROCK-A-BYE BEAR, its original natural audio pacifier.

Both COMFY WIPE WARMER and ROCK-A-BYE BUNNY were well received when previewed at the Juvenile Products Manufacturers Show in Dallas in October.

The firm's sales have climbed rapidly in the past 12 months and are running at an annualized rate of approximately $1 million.

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OKLAHOMA CITY (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Pit Stop Auto Centers Inc. (NASDAQ:PSAC) Tuesday announced a halt in negotiations for the acquisition of Grease Monkey Holding Corp. of Denver (NASDAQ:GMHC), citing failure to reach accord on key elements of the proposal.

The companies had announced a proposed acquisition of Grease Monkey Holding Corp. by Pit Stop Auto Centers on Sept. 24.

''We obviously would like to have made the Grease Monkey acquisition because we believed that with a combination of the two companies that capitalizing on our respective strengths would have allowed Grease Monkey to operate profitably again,'' said Tom E. Hays, president of Pit Stop Auto Centers.

''However, we must acquire them at a price that reflects their current financial situation. Anything else would not be fair to our shareholders. Because of the market conditions, our stock is selling below our book value. The Grease Monkey stock is selling at several times their book value, not based on any multiple of earnings. Therein lies the problem,'' said Hays.

''Pit Stop has the financial strength to continue to grow. We wish Grease Monkey's managment and shareholders the best of luck in the future.''

Pit Stop recently announced the successful acquisition of four quick oil change centers in the Phoenix area, and is currently negotiating for six additional sites in the same area.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - First Savings Bancorp, parent of First Financial Savings Association, F.A., reported net earnings for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $432,000, or 67 cents per share, an increase from the $427,000, or 63 cents per share reported for the comparable quarter in 1989.

Net earnings for the six month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $913,000, or $1.41 per share, a decrease from the $988,000, or $1.46 per share reported for the comparable six month period in 1989. The prior six month period earnings were enhanced by approximately $93,000 as a result of the cumulative effect of the change in accounting for federal income taxes.

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MONTREAL (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - BCE Mobile Communications Inc. (TSE ME:BCX)(BCE Mobile) Tuesday announced its unaudited consolidated operating results for the third quarter of 1990.

Consolidated revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30 were $81 million, an increase of some 29 percent over the figure for the same period last year. For the nine months, the figure was $236.8 million, up 37 percent from one year ago.

Bell Cellular Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary which operates a cellular telephone system in Ontario and Quebec, was responsible for most of the increase. Its customers numbered 179,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of some 12,000 since June 30 of this year and some 52,000 since Sept. 30, 1989.

Bell Cellular's cash flow margin, before interest and taxes, was 33 percent during the third quarter and 37 percent on a year-to-date basis.

National Pagette Ltd., also a wholly owned subsidiary which operates paging and telephone answering systems, contributed $15.6 million to consolidated revenues for the quarter, up marginally from the same period last year.

The number of pagers in service increased by some 6,000 to 143,000 during the quarter (15,000 since Sept. 30, 1989), but increased competition, particularly in Ontario and Quebec, offset the positive revenue impact of the growth in pagers.

BCE Mobile's quarterly operating income was $5 million, compared to $5.5

million one year ago. On a year-to-date basis, the corporation reported operating income of $18.3 million compared to $14.4 million in 1989. The reduction in third quarter operating income was due to provisions being taken in National Mobile as part of the restructuring of its operations.

Third quarter consolidated net loss was $5.9 million (9 cents per share) compared to a loss of $3.3 million last year (5 cents per share). On a year-to-date basis, consolidated net loss was $13.4 million (22 cents per share) compared to $3.2 million in 1989 (5 cents per share).

BCE Mobile is the Canadian leader in mobile communications. Its diversified activities include cellular telephone, paging, telephone answering and private radio services integrating communications and information systems technology. The principal subsidiaries of BCE Mobile are Bell Cellular Inc., National Pagette Ltd. and National Mobile Radio Communications Inc. BCE Mobile is a subsidiary of BCE Inc.

BCE MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS INC.

	Third Quarter		Year-to-Date	
($ millions)	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues: Bell Cellular	58.8	41.0	170.5	109.1
National Pagette	15.6	15.0	44.7	43.4
National Mobile	6.3	6.8	21.1	19.5
Other	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.4
Consolidated	81.0	62.9	236.8	172.4
Operating Income	5.0	5.5	18.3	14.4
Net Loss	(5.9)	(3.3)	(13.4)	(3.2)
Net Loss Per Common Share ($)	(0.09)	(0.05)	(0.22)	(0.05)
Cash Flow from Operations	10.6	10.4	38.4	28.0
Cash Flow per Share($)	0.17	0.17	0.62	0.46
Average Common Shares (Millions)	63.2	62.0	62.4	61.1

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RENO, NV (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - FirstMiss Gold Inc. (NASDAQ: FRMG) reported earnings of $340,000, or two cents per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, vs. earnings of $1.1 million, or six cents per share prior quarter and $621,000, or three cents per share for the same period last

year.

The earnings decrease primarily was due to higher operating costs at the Getchell Mine in north central Nevada. The mill processed more high-carbonate sulfide ore during the quarter requiring an increase in sulfuric acid.

Sales for the quarter were $17.8 million on 44,880 ounces, compared with $18.4 million on 46,641 ounces prior quarter and $11.1 million on 29,676 ounces first quarter last year. Average sales price was $398 per ounce, up from $394 last quarter and $373 last year.

Total production for the first quarter was 45,098 ounces, down slightly from 45,930 ounces prior quarter due to lower heap leach production. First quarter total production last year was 31,413 ounces. Cash production cost was $280 per ounce vs. $255 prior quarter and $241 prior year.

Mill production improved to 39,210 ounces vs. 38,427 ounces prior quarter as gold recovery increased to 89 percent. Mill production first quarter last year was 24,242 ounces.

Cash cost for mill production increased to $299 per ounce from $278 prior quarter due to greater sulfuric acid consumption. Ore grade was 0.17 ounces per ton, essentially the same as prior quarter.

"Although the mill is operating near design rate, we recently encountered a mechnanical problem which likely will slow production in the second quarter," Cecil Alvarez, president and chief executive officer, FirstMiss Gold, said. "We will reschedule the 60-day operating efficiency test begun last month." Exploration expenses for the three months were $557,000, up from $323,000 last year.

FirstMiss Gold Inc. is a Nevada-based gold mining and exploration company with headquarters in Reno, Nev. and operations at the Getchell Mine in north central Neveda.

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PRINCETON, NJ (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Dwight C. Minton, chairman and chief executive officer of Church & Dwight Co. Inc., (NYSE: CHD) announced that Spencer J. Volk has resigned as president and chief operating officer and member of the board of directors.

In accepting his resignation, Minton said he regretted the loss of Volk's outstanding operating skills and wished him success in his future ventures.

Volk joined Church & Dwight Co. Inc. in July, 1989.

During Volk's tenure the management team was strengthened and excellent operating results achieved as the company focused on its core Arm & Hammer brands.

At the request of the board, Minton has assumed Volk's duties. A search for a replacement has already begun, the company said.

CONTACT: Church & Dwight Co. Inc., New York, Anthony P. Deasey, (609) 683-7069.

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#90296b0920 10/23/1990 ~Business Wire

WALTHAM, MASS. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Meiko World Inc. Tuesday introduced two high performance, scaleable parallel processing computer systems for engineering/scientific and real-time applications.

They are called the Engineer's Computing Surface and the Embedded Real-Time Computing Surface systems.

Meiko World also announced that it is locating its headquarters in Waltham, Mass.

The Engineer's Computing Surface is for application developers working on engineering and scientific applications. A typical entry-level Engineer's Computing Surface consists of four INMOS central processors, 4 Mbytes of memory, and development software. It is priced at approximately $50,000.

A 2.6 GFLOPS system, comprising 64 i860 central processors, each with 8 Mbytes of memory and software, is priced at less than $1.5 million.

The Embedded Real-Time Computing Surface is designed to be part of a larger deployed system. An entry-level system includes two Intel i860 processors, 8 Mbytes of memory, and development software. It is priced at approximately $50,000.

The systems can scale up to more than 1 GFLOPS of power in a single 19-inch rack.

All the systems are available immediately.

Meiko's products will follow a two-phase strategy. The first, announced today, is to offer a line of products to application developers and engineering users. The second, to begin in 1991, will introduce a line of turnkey application solutions. These will substantially expand Meiko's commercial and federal markets.

Meiko was founded in 1985, and has been profitable since its inception. With more than 300 systems installed worldwide, The Computing Surface line is the most widely used family of scaleable systems.

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Brad Bradley, 508/890-7676
or
Geithner/McGowan Inc., Framingham
Edgar Geithner, 508/875-3821 (work)
508/263-8595 (home)

-30- 2139

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MONTGOMERY, AL (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Alfa Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ALFA) Tuesday announced that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per share, payable Dec. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 15, 1990.

Alfa Corp. is engaged in insurance and financial activities through its subsidiaries.

CONTACT: Alfa Corp., Montgomery
Donald Price, 205/288-3900

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#90296b0937 10/23/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Freeport-McMoRan Resource Partners, Limited Partnership (NYSE:FRP), an affiliate of Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (NYSE:FTX), Tuesday reported third-quarter 1990 net income of $28,944,000, or 35 cents per unit, on an average 82,713,000 units outstanding compared with third-quarter 1989 net income of $17,494,000, or 22 cents per unit, on an average 81,185,000 units outstanding.

Revenues during the third quarters of 1990 and 1989 totaled $220,254,000 and $304,003,000, respectively.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $220,067,000, or $2.67 per unit, on an average 82,441,000 units outstanding compared with net income of $116,588,000, or $1.44 per unit, on an average 80,870,000 units outstanding during the first nine months of 1989. Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 included net gains totaling $162,483,000 from the sale of assets.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, totaled $646,024,000 and $890,353,000, respectively.

Third-quarter 1990 external sales volumes of Frasch sulphur increased by more

than 4 percent from the year-ago period because of strong domestic and export demand. The average price FRP realized for its Frasch sulphur during the third quarter of 1990 was virtually unchanged from the year-ago period but nearly 5 percent higher than during the previous quarter.

During the third quarter of 1990, the market price for Frasch sulphur rose to $134 per long ton, f.o.b. Tampa, Fla., a 14 percent increase from its recent low price of $117.50 per long ton during the fourth quarter of 1989, reflecting the strong demand for sulphur by phosphate fertilizer producers.

During the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, FRP sulphur production exceeded third-quarter 1989 levels because of higher output from the partnership's Caminada sulphur mine, where boiler capacity was recently expanded. Increased production at the more efficient Caminada mine has lowered the partnership's unit production costs at that mine by approximately 28 percent from the year-ago period.

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Joseph H. Tice, 504/582-4458 or
Craig E. Saporito, 504/582-4476

-30- 2417

#90296b0942 10/23/1990 ~Business Wire

BURLINGTON, Vt. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Banknorth Group Inc., at Tuesday's regular meeting, declared a fourth quarter cash dividend of 27 cents per share, payable Dec. 7, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 23, 1990.

The announcement was made by President and Chief Executive Officer John H. Barry.

''The action taken today was considered very carefully by the board of directors and management,'' said Barry. ''We are keenly aware of our unprecedented payout percentage of current year's earnings, the present high yield in relation to the current price of our stock and, most importantly, the importance of protecting our strong capital base for the future. Many banking companies in New England have been forced to cut or suspend their dividends and have stated, in doing so, that losses were expected in the forseeable future. While, given the present economic environment, we do not foresee an improved level of profits in the fourth quarter, we also do not expect losses at this time,'' he said.

The company reported earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $7.3 million or $1.08 per share. After today's dividend action the total dividend for 1990 equals $1.08 per share.

''Our shareholders, for the most part, are Vermonters, many of whom have held

the stock for a long time and some are presently retired. They have been loyal and supportive through these difficult economic times and believe, as we do, that our longer-term outlook is bright. Obviously, if our ability to earn the dividend in 1991 becomes impaired by a worsening economic environment, we will seriously consider, at that time, steps to protect our strong capital base from eroding,'' Barry said.

Banknorth Group Inc., the largest commercial banking company in Vermont, was formed on Dec. 1, 1989 with the merger of Banknorth Group Inc. and Howard Bancorp and is comprised of First Vermont Bank and Trust Co., Franklin Lamoille Bank, Granite Savings Bank and Trust Co., The Howard Bank, N.A. and Woodstock National Bank.

Banknorth Group Inc. common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol BKNG. Information published prior to Dec. 1, 1989 does not relate to the new BKNG stock.

CONTACT: Banknorth Group Inc., Burlington Dave Reville, 802/860-5521 Thomas J. Pruitt, 802/860-5558

-30- 2543
#90296b0943 10/23/1990 ~Business Wire

SHREWSBURY, NJ (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Wellman Inc. (NYSE:WLM) Tuesday reported net earnings of $14 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, compared to $11.1 million in the third quarter of 1989, an increase of 26 percent.

Earnings per share for the third quarter rose 13 percent to 43 cents from 38 cents in last year's third quarter. Sales and operating income for the third quarter were $205.4 million and $34.6 million, respectively, compared to sales and operating income of $86.4 million and $17.1 million in the corresponding quarter of 1989.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, net earnings increased 30 percent to $50.2 million from $38.6 million in the comparable 1989 period and earnings per share rose 16 percent to $1.54 from $1.33 in last year's nine month period. Sales and operating income for the first nine months of 1990 were $623.4 million and $117.8 million, respectively, compared to sales and operating income of $270.4 million and $58.8 million, respectively, in the first nine months of 1989.

The increase in year-to-year third quarter sales was due to higher sales in the Man-Made Fibres Division, reflecting the contribution of Fiber Industries Inc. (FI), which Wellman acquired on Nov. 1, 1989.

Sales results were mixed at the company's non-wovens, plastics and wool divisions.

Third quarter profit levels reflect reduced selling prices on FI's textile-grade polyester staple fibres, which the company lowered the last week in June in response to a similar move by a major competitor, and lower production levels at Wellman's man-made fibre manufacturing operations in Ireland.

Wellman's board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of $0.03 per share on the company's outstanding common stock, payable on Dec. 17, to shareholders of record on Dec. 3.

Wellman, the nation's largest recycler of post-consumer plastic, fibre and film wastes, manufactures high-quality polyester textile fibres under the Fortrel brandname and manufactures polyester and nylon fibres and plastic resins from its recycling operations.

CONTACT: Wellman Inc., Shrewsbury
Jill M. Rea, 201/542-7300

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#90296b0946 10/23/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Freeport-McMoRan Copper Co. Inc. (NYSE:FCX), an affiliate of Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (NYSE:FTX), Tuesday reported third-quarter 1990 net income of $33,284,000 or 39 cents per share on an average 86,380,000 shares outstanding compared with third-quarter 1989 net income of $25,311,000 or 30 cents per share on an average 85,380,000 shares outstanding.

Third-quarter 1990 and 1989 revenues totaled $135,911,000 and $90,909,000, respectively.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $71,687,000 or 84 cents per share on an average 85,780,000 shares outstanding compared with net income of $74,479,000 or 87 cents per share on an average 85,380,000 shares outstanding during the first nine months of 1989. Revenues during the nine months ended September 30, 1990 and 1989, totaled $323,504,000 and $270,422,000, respectively.

Total estimated future production at June 30, 1990, increased to 10.9 billion payable pounds of copper, 12.7 million payable ounces of gold, and 31.3 million payable ounces of silver. The 107 million metric ton ore reserve increase at Grasberg is approximately three times the reserve position of the company's original Ertsberg deposit when mining operations began in 1972.''

During the three months ended September 30, 1990, the price realized by FI for copper averaged $1.27 per payable pound compared with $1.29 per payable pound during the third quarter of 1989, exclusive of positive adjustments of 8.0

cents and 7.4 cents per payable pound, respectively, for price increases on prior period concentrate sales. The average price realized by FI for gold during the third quarter of 1990 rose to $381 per payable ounce compared with $356 per payable ounce during the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings for the three months ended September 30, 1990, were also affected by additional depreciation and increased interest expense attributable to placing into operation certain facilities to accommodate production from Grasberg.

Mine and mill expansion efforts continued on budget and ahead of schedule during the third quarter of 1990. A second service tramway was commissioned during the quarter to carry personnel and material to the mine site from the lower mill level. During the quarter, work was nearly completed on an adit for a two kilometer conveyor at the mill level that will carry ore from all mines to the mill site.

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Joseph H. Tice, 504/582-4458
Craig E. Saporito, 504/582-4476

-30- 2738

#90296b0949 10/23/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas Company (NYSE: FMP), an affiliate of Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (NYSE: FTX), Tuesday reported third-quarter 1990 net income of $3,639,000 or 3 cents per share on an average 124,341,000 shares outstanding compared with third-quarter 1989 net income of $5,214,000 or 5 cents per share on an average 108,806,000 shares outstanding.

Pretax international exploration expenditures charged to earnings during the third quarters of 1990 and 1989 were $8,016,000 and $1,411,000, respectively. Financial results for the third quarter of 1989 included other income of approximately $8 million, of which $4.5 million was related to a natural gas contract settlement.

Third-quarter 1990 and 1989 revenues totaled $54,858,000 and $53,597,000, respectively.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $12,496,000 or 10 cents per share on an average 122,091,000 shares outstanding compared with net income of $24,843,000 or 24 cents per share on an average 105,332,000 shares outstanding during the first nine months of 1989.

Financial results for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 and 1989, included other income of $10.6 million and $17.5 million, respectively, primarily related to natural gas contract settlements. Revenues during the nine months ended September 30, 1990 and 1989, totaled $165,136,000 and

$197,515,000, respectively. Financial results for periods prior to March 30, 1990, have been restated to reflect the restructuring of FMP from a master limited partnership into a corporation.

FMP was organized on January 5, 1990, and succeeded to the business of Freeport-McMoRan Energy Partners and certain other oil and gas related businesses of FTX in accordance with a plan of restructuring consummated on March 30, 1990. As a result of the restructuring, all outstanding units representing partnership interests in Freeport-McMoRan Energy Partners were, in effect, converted into FMP common shares.

During the initial five-year period from inception in April 1985, the units of Freeport-McMoRan Energy Partners had an assured minimum distribution and therefore were basically a yield-driven security. Upon the scheduled termination of this five-year period at the end of March 1990 and the determination that most of the company's available funds would thereafter be reinvested in exploration and development activities, the nature of the investment was changed from a yield-driven security to an asset-based one.

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Craig E. Saporito, 504/582-4476

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#90296b0952 10/23/1990 ~Business Wire

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Birmingham Steel Corp. (NYSE:BIR) Tuesday announced that its wholly owned subsidiary Salmon Bay Steel Corp. has signed a definitive purchase agreement to acquire certain steel manufacturing assets of Seattle Steel Inc. located in West Seattle.

The acquisition is scheduled to be completed by calendar year-end, subject to certain conditions which include the issuance of a favorable ruling by governmental regulatory agencies. Under the terms of the proposed transaction Salmon Bay Steel Corp. will pay approximately $54 million for the assets of Seattle Steel, plus the value of certain inventories on hand as of the closing date.

Upon consummation of the transaction, Salmon Bay Steel plans to operate the Seattle Steel rolling facility in West Seattle in addition to its current rolling mill in Ballard, Wash. Salmon Bay Steel plans to consolidate all melt shop production in West Seattle and to discontinue melting operations at its current facility in Kent, Wash.

The West Seattle melt shop has capacity to produce 600,000 tons of steel per year and will furnish all semi-finished steel billets for operations of the two rolling mills.

Birmingham Steel has also advanced the schedule for the previously announced phase-out of operations at its Barbary Coast Steel mini-mill in Emeryville, Calif.

Due to escalating electric power rates and equipment limitations, the Emeryville operation is currently unprofitable and economically unattractive relative to the alternative value of its real estate. The Emeryville steel manufacturing facility is scheduled to be closed by the end of March 1991.

Until development is completed on the company's previously announced mini-mill project near Phoenix, the California and Arizona steel markets will be supplied by the expanded Salmon Bay manufacturing and distribution capacity.

To complement Salmon Bay's increased production capabilities, customer distribution outlets will be established at several locations in California and Arizona. Environmental and engineering studies on the Arizona steel mill project are proceeding and will continue, subject to a review of the project's market and optimum capacity requirements.

James A. Todd Jr., president and chief executive officer, commented: ''Birmingham Steel is firmly committed to the West Coast market and our current consolidation and expansion plans will significantly improve our ability to supply quality steel products at competitive prices. The acquisition of Seattle Steel's manufacturing assets presents an economically attractive and unique opportunity to concentrate our productive resources in a more efficient manner.

''In the current economic climate and competitive steel environment, we believe the interest of our West Coast steel customers will be significantly enhanced by the Seattle acquisition and the Arizona construction program.''

Birmingham Steel operates steel mini-mills producing steel and steel products, primarily reinforcing bar, and is the largest U.S. manufacturer of steel roof support systems used in underground coal mining. The common stock of Birmingham Steel Corp. is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ''BIR.''

CONTACT: Birmingham Steel Corp., Birmingham Phillip E. Casey, 205/985-9290, Ext. 245

-30- 3552

#90296c0002 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Alfa Resources Inc.(TICKER: ALFR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$18,034	$23,219
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(7,665)	$(3,418)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	44,865,212	43,065,212

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$106,745	$107,628
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$93,275	$97,300

The company's executive office is located at P.O. Box 805, Denver, Colorado 80201 and its telephone number is (303) 674-5186.

-30- 1138

#90296c0003 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Sys.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,901,000	$4,547,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	$8,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$115,000	$46,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,719,586	2,689,175

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,409,000	$1,499,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$889,000	$776,000

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#90296c0004 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest annual report filed at the NASD by Polyplastex United Inc.(TICKER: PYPX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$16,340,234	$13,949,692
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$413,940	$(12,579)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.70	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	591,960	600,891

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,990,997	$9,840,266
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$7,376,293	$7,067,179

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Educational Development Corp.(TICKER: EDUC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,128,100	$1,965,600
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$14,000	$213,200
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.10
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,317,833	2,187,591

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb, 28, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$4,092,800	$3,568,300
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,029,000	$1,952,700

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#90296c0006 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Burst Agritech Inc.(TICKER: BRRH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended May 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$65	$69,775
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(38,929)	$19,778
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	May 31, 1990	Nov. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$116,174	$153,118
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$(801,532)	$(737,229)

The company's executive office is located at 222 W. Gregory Blvd., Suite 313, Kansas City, Missouri 64114 and its telephone number is (913) 262-2444.

-30- 1125

#90296c0008 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sani-Tech Industries Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(273,628)	$(87,589)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$162,209	$172,714
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$(944,644)	$(874,986)

The company is a development stage firm and its executive office is located at 10 Andrews Road, Hicksville, NY 11801.

Its telephone number is (516) 822-6900.

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#90296c0009 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Kleinert's Inc.(TICKER: KLRT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 1,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$18,620,000	$17,217,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	$186,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$629,000	$675,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.44	$0.46
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 1, 1990	Dec. 2, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$43,989,000	$24,268,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$15,564,000	$16,193,000

-30- 1005
#90296c0010 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Diagnostic Sciences Inc.(TICKER: DSIC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$552,075	$483,860
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(49,867)	$(296,030)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,000,000	8,978,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Nov. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,287,376	$2,326,900
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$897,535	$935,402

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#90296c0011 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Aircraft Corp.(TICKER: AARC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$149,249	$159,086
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(159,489)	$(258,888)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	46,213,403	39,695,983

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Nov. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7.740,620	$6,514,488
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$5,042,546	$4,852,765

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#90296c0012 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Unico Inc.(TICKER: UICO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,783,745	$737,218
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$146,703	$60,025
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	18,859,407	18,659,407

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,449,210	$4,967,771
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,552,030	$2,496,384

-30- 1003
#90296c0013 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Laurel Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: LAUR) earned $203,631 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 vs. earning $117,352 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 342
#90296c0014 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - Synergistic Strategies Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 25,000 units.

Each unit consists of 8 shares of common stock and 160 warrants to purchase 160 additional shares of common stock

The initial public offering price is $4.00 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 1914 Hawane Place, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96821 and its telephone number is (808) 377-5231.

-30- 755

#90296c0016 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:28 that trade in Medical Management of America (NASDAQ: MMOA) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 5 1/4.

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#90296c0017 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Kinark Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol KIN. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

-30- 335

#90296c0018 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:46 that trade in American President Co.(NASDAQ: APS) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

-30- 339

#90296c0019 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:49 that trade in Landmark Bancshares Corp.(NASDAQ: LBC) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

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#90296c0020 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 18:

Cellular Inc. - 8% Conv. Sub. Dbs. Due 2000 (CELSH)

The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 17:

American Drug Screens Inc. - Uts. (ADSIL)

-30- 398

#90296c0021 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 22, due to issue being postponed, security never

quoted:

CareNetwork Inc. (CRNT)
Nova Pharmaceutical Corp. - Conv. Exchangeable Pfd. Stk. (NOVXP)

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 19:

Automedix Sciences Inc. (AMED), Uts. 3/25/92 (AMEDU); Total assets below minimum

Clini-Therm Corp. (CLIN); Insufficient number of active market makers
Optical Specialties Inc. (OSIX); Capital and surplus below minimum
TeleQuest Inc. (TELQ); Capital and surplus below minimum
Walker Telecommunications Corp. (WTEL); Insufficient number of active market makers

William & Clarissa Inc. (WMCL); Capital and surplus below minimum

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 18:

Acqua Group Inc. (ACQA); Issue postponed - security never quoted

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#90296c0022 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following issue will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 23:

Rada Electronic Industries Ltd. (RADIF) to (RADFD) (1 for 2 reverse split)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 22:

American Telecommunications Corp. (AMTTF) to (AMTFV) - WI
Compliance Recycling Industries Inc. (CRIK) to (CRIKC), Cl. B Wts. 3/31/91 (CRIKW) to (CRIWC)

LM Ericsson Telephone Co. Inc. ADR (ERIYD) to (ERICY)
Nu-Med Inc. (NUMS) to (NUMSC)
Techniclone International Corp. (TCLN) to (TCLNC)
Universal Security Instruments Inc. - Ut. 11/15/90 (USECU) to Ut. 9/16/91 (USECU)

Vision Sciences Inc. (LENZ) to (LENZC), Uts. 12/23/91 (LENZU) to (LENUC), Cl. A Wts. 12/23/91 (LENZW) to (LENWC)

-30- 892
#90296c0024 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows XETA Corp.(TICKER: XETA) announced that effective July 30, 1990, Jack R. Ingram was appointed by the board of directors to serve as XETA's president and chief executive officer, replacing James E. Beebe, who had served as XETA's president since Jan. 5, 1990.

Ingram also was granted the option to purchase 50,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of $1 per share.

On Aug. 30, 1990, XETA retained Ronald L. Siegenthaler as consultant to oversee and direct the company's marketing activities, and Siegenthaler was named executive vice president.

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#90296c0025 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Inbancshares (TICKER: INBA) earned $912,000, or $0.45 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $675,000, or $0.36 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 418

#90296c0026 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Aceto Corp.9TICKER: ACET) on Oct. 16, 1990, issued a press release announcing the relocation of the company's corporate headquarters to One Hollow Lane, Suite 201, Lake Success, NY 11042-1215.

The company's telephone number is (516) 627-6000.

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#90296c0027 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Reserve Industries Corp.(TICKER: ROIL) lost $348,036, or $0.17 per share, on revenues of $2.34 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $318,045, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $2.27 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 486

#90296c0028 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Besicorp Group (TICKER: BESI) lost $351,569, or $0.02 per share, on revenues

of $550,546 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $333,213, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $533,182 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 462

#90296c0029 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United Education & Software Inc.(TICKER: UESS) lost $217,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $9.42 million for the quarter ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a net profit of $24,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $20.63 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 519

#90296c0030 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Food Lion Inc.(TICKER: FDLN) earned $40.60 million, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $1.32 billion for the quarter ended Sept. 8, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $32.27 million, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $1.11 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 488

#90296c0032 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:35 that trade in Midway Airlines has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol MDW.D.

-30- 312

#90296c0033 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows KeyCorp (TICKER: KEY) signed a definitive merger agreement with Valley Bancorporation of Idaho Falls, Idaho, not Valley Bancorporation of Appleton, Wisconsin (TICKER: VYBN), as originally reported on Sept. 25, 1990.

In the Sept. 25 report, incorrect ticker symbols for Valley Bancorporation and Valley Bank were added accidentally. The two companies are not publicly traded.

We regret any confusion this error has caused.

-30- 672

#90296c0034 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:10 that trade in Duramed Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ: DRMD) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1 1/2.

-30- 322

#90296c0035 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:15 that trade in Southland Corp. (NASDAQ: SLCP) has been resumed. The first bid was 3/8; unchanged from the halt and previous close.

-30- 326

#90296c0036 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Midway Airlines (Preferred) has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol MDW.D. Trading was resumed at 13:26.

-30- 357

#90296c0037 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 21

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Permian (TICKER: PPA) reports that it will realize a loss of $8.9 million for the third quarter of 1990 before a gain of $29.8 million due to an increase in the value of its oil inventory.

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#90296c0038 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY TWEEDY BROWN CO LP OWNS 105,157 SHARES (9.59%) OF SPROUSE REITZ STORES INC (TICKER: STRS) OF PORTLAND, OR.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Tweedy Brown Co. LP sold 12,500 shares on Oct. 12, 1990 for $7.40 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 465
#90296c0040 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 2,375,250 SHARES (4.95%) OF ROUSE CO (TICKER: ROUS) OF COLUMBIA, MD.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 13 to Oct. 12, 1990, Harris Associates LP sold 599,317 shares and purchased 25,600 shares for $11.01 to $20.13 per share, and 19,600 shares were transferred from Harris accounts.

-30- 521
#90296c0041 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

NEW MILFORD SAVINGS BANK OF NEW MILFORD, CT OWNS 115,900 SHARES (2.97%) OF CENVEST INC (TICKER: CBCT) OF MERIDEN, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

New Milford Savings Bank have ceased to own more than 5 percent of Cenvest Inc's common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

New Milford Savings Bank sold 99,100 shares from Oct. 1-4, 1990 for $1.95 to $2 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 591
#90296c0042 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

M.J. PAULUCCI OWNS 269,500 SHARES (14.97%) OF MEDICAL GRAPHICS (TICKER: MGCC) OF ST. PAUL, MN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

M.J. Paulucci purchased 10,000 shares on Sept. 28, 1990 for $2.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 433
#90296c0043 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 16

T.M. MURRELL OWNS 279,572 SHARES (2.00%) OF AMVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: AVFC) OF TOPEKA, KS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The options to acquire 234,442 shares of Amvestors Financial Corp.'s common stock were canceled Sept. 15, 1990, due to termination of employment.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 21 through Sept. 12, 1990, T.M. Murrell gave 28,000 shares as gifts.

PURPOSE:

Cancellation of stock options.

-30- 625
#90296c0044 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J. ZUCKER OWNS 229,975 SHARES (9.90%) OF SOUTH CAROLINA FEDERAL CORP (TICKER: SCFB) OF COLUMBIA, SC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Zucker may purchase additional shares.

-30- 365
#90296c0045 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

M.M. MORINO OF PITTSBURGH, PA OWNS 4,382,399 SHARES (20.30%) OF LEGENT CORP (TICKER: LGNT) OF VIENNA, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 5, 1990 General Atlantic Investments Ltd. transferred all of the 2,809,030 shares of Legent stock that it owned to its parent corporation, General Atlantic Group Ltd., and received no consideration from GAGL in exchange for the transfer of these shares. Since General Atlantic Investments Ltd.'s rights under the stockholders agreement were not assignable, GAGL did not become a party to the stockholders agreement, has no shared power to vote, and is not a beneficial owner of the 4,382,399 shares of Legent common stock owned by Messrs. Pollon Chatfield and Morino. Further, Pollon, Chatfield and Morino have no shared power to vote and are no longer deemed to be beneficial owners of the 2,809,030 shares now held by GAGL. General Atlantic Investments Ltd. ceased to be a party to the stockholders agreement. On or after Nov. 27, 1990, Morino will have the right to acquire up to 20,000 additional shares of Legent common stock through the exercise of stock options granted under the Legent Corp. Stock Incentive Plan, which first became exercisable on such date.

-30- 1417
#90296c0046 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

N.M. POLLON OF PITTSBURGH, PA OWNS 4,302,399 SHARES (19.90%) OF LEGENT CORP (TICKER: LGNT) OF VIENNA, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 5, 1990 General Atlantic Investments Ltd. transferred all of the 2,809,030 shares of Legent stock that it owned to its parent corporation, General Atlantic Group Ltd., and received no consideration from GAGL in exchange for the transfer of these shares. Since General Atlantic Investments Ltd.'s rights under the stockholders agreement were not assignable, GAGL did not become a party to the stockholders agreement, has no shared power to vote, and is not a beneficial owner of the 4,382,399 shares of Legent common stock owned by Messrs. Pollon Chatfield and Morino. Further, Pollon, Chatfield and

Morino have no shared power to vote and are no longer deemed to be beneficial owners of the 2,809,030 shares now held by GAGL. General Atlantic Investments Ltd. ceased to be a party to the stockholders agreement. On or after Nov. 27, 1990, Pollon will have the right to acquire up to 20,000 additional shares of Legent common stock through the exercise of stock options granted under the Legent Corp. Stock Incentive Plan, which first became exercisable on such date.

-30- 1408
#90296c0048 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 1,877,000 SHARES (8.50%) OF SOFTWARE TOOLWORKS INC (TICKER: TWRX) OF CHATSWORTH, CA.

PURPOSE:

Increase in number of shares held.

-30- 383
#90296c0049 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 1,044,100 SHARES (8.90%) OF POPE & TALBOTT (TICKER: POP).

PURPOSE:

Increase in number of shares held.

-30- 356
#90296c0050 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 988,800 SHARES (6.10%) OF BRUSH WELLMAN INC (TICKER: BW).

PURPOSE:

Increase in number of shares held.

-30- 355
#90296c0051 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.F. NICKLIN OF NEWBURGH, NY OWNS 81,475 SHARES (5.90%) OF INRAD INC (TICKER: INRD) OF NORTHVALE, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

W.F. Nicklin purchased 11,500 shares from Oct. 10-18, 1990 for $3 to $3.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 442
#90296c0052 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

V. POSNER OWNS 996,100 SHARES (11.30%) OF GUILFORD MILLS INC (TICKER: GFD) OF GREENSBORO, NC.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

V. Posner purchased 36,100 shares on Oct. 11, 1990 for $15.88 to $16 per share.

-30- 393
#90296c0053 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

B.L. BILLINGTON OWNS 883,969 SHARES (10.80%) OF STANDARD LOGIC INC (TICKER: STDL) OF ANAHEIM, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Standard Logic Inc. is conducting negotiations with Touchstone Software Corp. to issue stock to Touchstone shareholders such that Touchstone shareholders will own 80 percent of the combined company. In connection with the transaction, Standard's articles of incorporation would be amended to provide a reverse stock split so that 5 million shares would be outstanding. The company then intends to sell the assets constituting Standard's business to certain shareholders of Standard.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 849
#90296c0054 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

YASHIRO CO INC OF OSAKA, JAPAN OWNS 681,000 SHARES (56.04%) OF SIRCO INTL CORP (TICKER: SIRC) OF MOUNT VERNON, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Yashiro Co. Inc. acquired 14,400 shares on Oct. 11 according to a payment and release agreement with Yashiro Co. Inc. and Linda Siris.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Yashiro Co. Inc. acquired 14,400 shares on Oct. 11, 1990 for $8 per share.

PURPOSE:

To effectuate the terms of a voting trust agreement.

-30- 646
#90296c0056 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GENZYME CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 3,456,948 SHARES (58.60%) OF IG LABORATORIES INC (TICKER: IGLI) OF FRAMINGHAM, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Genzyme Corp. purchased 573,614 shares for $5.23 per share on an unspecified

date.

PURPOSE:

To provide IG Laboratories Inc. with working capital.

-30- 491
#90296c0057 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY TRIUMPH LOR INC OWNS 785,024 SHARES (19.80%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Triumph Lor Inc. purchased 761,000 shares from Aug. 21 to Oct. 9, 1990 for $4.88 to $5.63 per share and received 24,024 shares on Aug. 20, 1990 as a corporate distribution.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 546
#90296c0058 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 16

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Kansas City Power & Light Co.(TICKER: KAN) has extended the expiration date of its offer to Nov. 30, 1990.

-30- 328
#90296c0062 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY HEINE SECURITIES CORP OF SHORT HILLS, NJ OWNS 358,027 SHARES (8.50%) OF INTREX FINANCIAL SERVICES INC (TICKER: TREX) OF NORTH ANDOVER, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 3, 1990 through Oct. 18, 1990, Heine Securities Corp. sold 64,300 shares at a price of $0.86 to $1.17 per share.

-30- 519
#90296c0063 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY TORCHMARK CORP OWNS 2,127,183 SHARES (24.50%) OF NUEVO ENERGY CO (TICKER: NEV).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

EAIC has entered into an agreement with Shearson Lehman Hutton Inc. and Nuevo Energy Co. pursuant to which EAIC has agreed not to offer, sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of, directly or indirectly, by grant or option or otherwise, any shares of common stock for one year following 7/9/90. TEA, pursuant to an agreement with Nuevo Energy Co., placed 666,667 shares of common stock in escrow pursuant to an escrow agreement with First Interstate Bank of Texas, N.A. pending the delivery of final reserve reports covering the properties contributed by TEA. If the exchange value of the TEA properties was determined to be less than $10 million, TEA would transfer to Nuevo Energy Co. the number of shares of common stock (at $15 per share) equal to the difference between the exchange value and $10 million. TEA has returned 110,218 shares of common stock to the issuer for no consideration.

-30- 1215
#90296c0064 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

G. KLAPERMAN OWNS 206,131 SHARES (4.40%) OF RAPITECH SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: RPSY) OF SUFFERN, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On June 21, 1990, Mr. Klaperman was granted 10,000 options to acquire a like number of shares of common stock for a five-year period at an exercise price of $.82 per share.

-30- 491
#90296c0065 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

S.E. LAZARD OWNS 493,375 SHARES (6.55%) OF NYCAL CORP (TICKER: NYCL) OF WASHINGTON, DC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 31, 1990, Mr. Lazard acquired 363,375 shares pursuant to an exchange agreement dated July 27, 1990 between Nycal Corp. and Mr. Lazard.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares for investment.

-30- 499
#90296c0067 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY ALLEN & CO INC OWNS 1,626,206 SHARES (10.70%) OF UNITED ASSET MANAGEMENT CORP (TICKER: UAM) OF BOSTON, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Allen & Co. Inc. purchased 64,000 shares from Aug. 23 to Oct. 9, 1990 for $14.11 to $15.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 493
#90296c0068 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The NASD has announced at 14:25 that trade in

Duramed Pharmaceuticals Inc. has been resumed. The company ticker symbol is DRMD. The first sale was 1 1/4; down 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 393
#90296c0069 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY R.M. BASS GROUP INC OWNS 2,790,100 SHARES (4.90%) OF AVON PRODUCTS INC (TICKER: AVP) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 12, 15, and 19, 1990, National Re sold 5,300 shares, 3,500 shares and 8,800 shares in open market transactions on the New York Stock Exchange for $23.70 per share, $24.22 per share, and $24.62 per share, respectively. Also, on Oct. 15 and 19, 1990, RMB Group sold 450 call options and 33 call options, in open market transactions, at a price of $306.99 and $196.94 per call option entitling the holder to purchase 100 shares for each call at an exercise price of $22.50 and $25 per share, respectively.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 24, 1990 through Oct. 19, 1990, R.M. Bass Group Inc. sold 583,800 shares at a price of $23.70 to $25.93 per share.

-30- 1012
#90296c0070 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Barden (TICKER: BARD) announced on Oct. 22, 1990 that no further action is required under the Exon-Florio amendment addressing antitrust and national security considerations.

-30- 407
#90296c0072 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 22, 1990, ASK announced that it had accepted for payment all 10,753,400 shares tendered under its offer for $9.25 per share, giving ASK 94 percent of Ingres Corp.(TICKER: RELY). Simultaneously, EDS Corp. and Hewlett Packard purchased 5.6 million shares of ASK for $60 million, giving EDS 19.7 percent and HP 9.8 percent of ASK's common stock. ASK has requested that its stock be moved to the regular NASDAQ market effective Oct. 23, 1990.

-30- 647

#90296c0074 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:27 that trade in ERC Environmental & Energy Services Co. Inc.(NASDAQ: ERCE) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 11 1/4. The company is located in Fairfax, VA.

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#90296c0075 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The House Banking Committee acted today to break its political stalemate with the Bush administration over funding for the savings and loan cleanup, voting an additional $10 billion in short-term financing to keep the Resolution Trust Corp. running through February, 1991.

The legislation, passed on a voice vote, stipulates that no RTC funds should be used to pay out deposits in excess of $100,000 or provide assistance to thrifts unless the RTC deems this would result in the least cost to the RTC and taxpayers. In addition, the bill requires a six-month spending plan must be accompanies for all additional funding requests for the RTC.

The measure actually provides $28.8 billion for the RTC because the agency has additional borrowing authority of $18.8 billion which does not fall under congressional jurisdiction.

Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady sent a letter to the congressional banking committees on Oct. 10 seeking $40 billion to cover thrift failures through Sept. 30, 1991, the end of fiscal year 1991. This would be in addition to the $50 billion Congress authorized the RTC, the agency responsible for handling the thrift crisis, in 1989.

In his letter, Brady warned the RTC would use up $49 billion of the $50 billion by year-end and "virtually cease within the next two months unless additional funds are provided." He asked Congress to act before it adjourns

for the year later this month.

Within 48 hours of receiving Brady's appeal, the Senate Banking Committee agreed to appropriate $57 billion for the RTC, $40 billion to cover the losses of failed S&Ls and an extra $17 billion to act as reserves for temporary short-term borrowing.

However, House Banking Committee Chairman Henry Gonzalez (D-Texas) said his panel would only act on the funding request if Brady testified before the panel to defend the administration's request for the money. Brady refused twice last week to appear before the panel.

With elections just two weeks away, and public resentment growing over the soaring costs of the thrift cleanup, the issue has become a political hot potato. Neither Democrats nor the administration wish to be identified with the thrift mess.

"For them (the administration) not to show up is a very bad precedent," said Rep. Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.). "They have as much responsibility as anyone else."

"I do not think that funding RTC should be regarded as an open-ended endorsement of the administration's handling of the cleanup," Gonzalez said. "It is important that questions about the RTC be answered. Therefore, I am proposing that this committee limit funding until Secretary Brady and other officials of the administration do appear in full-dress oversight hearings."

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#90296c0077 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows First Bancorporation of Ohio (TICKER: FBOH) on Sept. 30, 1990, completed its acquisition of Peoples Savings Bank, an Ohio Savings and Loan Association, with the merger of Peoples Savings into Peoples Interim Savings Bank,, a wholly-owned subsidiary of First Bancorporation.

Each share of common stock of Peoples Savings was converted into a right to receive 0.775 shares of the common stock of First Bancorporation.

Each shareholder of Peoples Savings entitled to receive a fractional share of Bancorporation's common stock will receive cash at the rate of $30.875 per whole share, in lieu of the common stock.

Peoples Savings had total assets of $283.77 million as of Dec. 31, 1989.

Peoples Savings has 15 banking locations in Ashtabula, Lake, Geauga and eastern Cuyahoga counties in Ohio.

-30- 1036
#90296c0078 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Fayette Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: FAYT), on Oct. 15, 1990, entered into a restated plan of merger with First Financial Bancorp (TICKER: FFBC).

The restated agreement amends and restates the June 26, 1990, agreement, relating to the proposed acquisition of Fayette Federal by merger into an interim subsidiary of First Financial.

It provides that the holders of Fayette's common stock would receive First Financial common stock with a value of $25.23 in exchange for each share of Fayette's common stock.

-30- 749
#90296c0079 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 28, 1990, the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) approved the capital plan of King City Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: KCFB), amended Aug. 21,1990.

The OTS also approved the bank's request for an exemption from the sanctions and penalties that may be applied as a result of the bank's failure to comply with its capital requirements.

The amended plan provides for a reduction in assets, controlled growth and retention of earnings.

It eliminates the sale of $2.0 million in convertible subordinated debentures and the sale of $3 million in non-residential loans, included in the previously proposed capital plan dated June 19, 1990.

-30- 868
#90296c0080 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows HomeCorp Inc.(TICKER: HMCI) reported net income of $903,000 or $1.22 per share for the third quarter of 1990, as compared to $1.41 million during the same period in 1989.

The company reports the change in net income was primarily the result of a $527,000 adjustment to income tax made in 1989 as a result of HomeBanc's adoption of the Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 96 - Accounting for Income Taxes.

According to C. Steven Sjogren, HomeCorp's president and chief executive officer, the bank's net income before taxes increased 7.4 percent to $1.17

million for the third quarter of 1990, up from $1.09 million for the same period last year.

-30- 890

#90296c0081 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows CFS Financial Corp.(TICKER: CFSC) announced it anticipates reporting a loss for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as a result of a decision to significantly increase its provisions for potential loan losses.

The provisions will include a $1.5 million in specific reserves which relate to two real estate loans, and increased general reserves pursuant to a decision to accelerate CFS' previously-announced program to increase such reserves to 1% of the total loan portfolio.

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#90296c0082 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Angeion Corp.(TICKER: ANGN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,091,160	$2,863,743
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$27,488	$(424,747)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,993,693	6,840,887

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,201,383	$5,118,386
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$4,125,014	$4,035,897

-30- 992

#90296c0083 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Dimensional Visions Group Ltd.(TICKER: DVGL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,163,764)	$(719,224)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.25)	$(0.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,570,604	6,211,780

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise and to date, has conducted only limited operations.

Dimensional Visions currently is dependent on the sale of its securities to conduct its business.

The company's address is 718 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106, and its telephone number is (215) 440-7791.

-30- 1174

#90296c0085 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Fingermatrix Inc.(TICKER: FINX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended May 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$208,430	$133,784
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(7,581,322)	$(6,004,883)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.69)	$(0.55)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,814,878	11,068,083

BALANCE SHEET

Fiscal Year Ended

	May 31, 1990	May 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$3,909,481	$7,087,838
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,736,709	$6,426,577

-30- 1045

#90296c0086 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Sani-Tech Industries Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended March 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(236,030)	$(486,408)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

Fiscal Year Ended

	March 31, 1990	March 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$172,714	$69,347
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$(874,986)	$(694,974)

-30- 999

#90296c0087 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 23) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:39 that trade in Medical Management of America (NASDAQ: MMOA) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/2; down 1 3/4 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 375

#90296c0088 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - S.T. FLECK OF 4611 BROWNDALE AVE S, EDINA, MN 55424, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. THROUGH HAYNE MILLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 19, 1990.

(TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. TEL: 612 545-1000)

-30- 395
#90296c0089 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.R. WAGGONER OF 286 EAST ALEGRIA AVE, SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF STAAR SURGICAL CO. (TICKER: STAA) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 22, 1990.

(STAAR SURGICAL CO. TEL: 818 303-7902)

-30- 423
#90296c0090 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.D. LEONARD OF 1301 WEST 8TH STREET #29, MESA, AZ 85201, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF UTI CHEMICAL INC.(TICKER: UTIC) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 19, 1990.

(UTI CHEMICAL INC. TEL: 714 837-0800)

-30- 410
#90296c0091 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H.W. GORDEN OF 5291 NORTH MESA DR, CASTLE ROCK, CO 80104, HAS FILED TO SELL 440,172 SHARES OF ENERCORP INC.(TICKER: ENEI) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 19, 1990.

(ENERCORP INC. TEL: 303 290-9371)

-30- 403
#90296c0093 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JULIA M MIHALIC OF 3510 NORTH 25TH PLACE, PHOENIX, AZ 85016, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,880 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH J W GARRETT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2409)

-30- 432

#90296c0094 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLENN RIGHTMIRE OF 500 WEST 120TH ST, MVDD BLVD, ROOM 244, NEW YORK, NY 10027, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. (TICKER: PMCX) THROUGH REICH & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. TEL: 517 790-4764)

-30- 436
#90296c0095 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN H ZENTAY OF 2721 31ST PLACE NW, 0, WASHINGTON, DC 20008, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MIDWAY AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: MDW) THROUGH FOLGER NOLAN FLEMING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(MIDWAY AIRLINES INC. TEL: 312 838-0001)

-30- 423
#90296c0096 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT G TOMLINSON OF 1004 HUMINGBIRD DR #A, CASTLE ROCK, CO 80104, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN DRUG SCREENS INC. (TICKER: ADSI) THROUGH MALONE & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(AMERICAN DRUG SCREENS INC. TEL: 405 949-1722)

-30- 453
#90296c0097 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DRURY J GALLAGHER OF 438 WEST 37TH ST, SUITE 5H, NEW YORK, NY 10018, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF POWER SPECTRA INC. (TICKER: PWSP) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(POWER SPECTRA INC. TEL: 415 490-6961)

-30- 426
#90296c0098 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PARTICIPATIONS S A SIPAREX OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,256 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 426
#90296c0099 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A FISHMAN OF 200 N ROCKINGHAM AVE, 0, LOS ANGELES, CA 90049, HAS FILED TO SELL 49,000 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 428
#90296c0101 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAKE CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST OF 103 SOUTH BEDFORD RD, MT KISCO, NY 10549, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DNA PLANT TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: DNAP) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(DNA PLANT TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 914 241-4959)

-30- 484
#90296c0102 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GRETCHEN MANN OF 16842 EAST PRENTICE CIRCLE, SUITES A&B, AURORA, CO 80015, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF HEALTHWATCH INC. (TICKER: HEAL) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(HEALTHWATCH INC. TEL: 303 465-2000)

-30- 422
#90296c0103 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVESTMENTS AGS OF 464 HUDSON TERRACE, 0, ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ 07632, HAS FILED TO SELL 85,698 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH JONES

GABLE & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 201 569-4141)

-30- 408
#90296c0104 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRIGAN PATRICK TRUST OF 10880 WILSHIRE BLVD STE 620, LOS ANGELES, CA 90024, HAS FILED TO SELL 170,000 SHARES OF UTILITECH INC. (TICKER: UTLL) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(UTILITECH INC. TEL: 213 441-4119)

-30- 437
#90296c0105 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TERRY S DORN OF 453 ATLANTIC, CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78404, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(FOREST OIL CORP. TEL: 814 368-7171)

-30- 400
#90296c0106 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEO T METCALF III OF P O BOX 2925, CONROE, TX 77305, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH EDWARD D JONES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 393
#90296c0107 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL J IRA #2552 DUBISKY OF 2801 S 1935 W, WEST VALLEY CITY, UT 84119 HAS FILED TO SELL 57,143 SHARES OF STERLING MEDICAL SYS INC. (TICKER: SSYS) THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(STERLING MEDICAL SYS INC. TEL: 801 975-9700)

-30- 449
#90296c0109 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROSEMARIE IVY OF 9903 FAIRWAY COVE LANE, PLANTATION, FL 33324, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,608 SHARES OF HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HOMG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. TEL: 305 983-0350)

-30- 427
#90296c0110 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TOM O MONCRIEF OF 4450 HARLEY, FORT WORTH, TX 76107, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 386
#90296c0111 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAL STEVENS OF 10105 TALLEYRAND DR, 0, AUSTIN, TX 78750, HAS FILED TO SELL 71,663 SHARES OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN (TICKER: GTRO) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN TEL: 817 442-2665)

-30- 459
#90296c0112 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GENO SACCOMANNO OF 778 TWENTY-SIX & A HALF RD, GRANDJUNCTION, CO 81506, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,778 SHARES OF XSIRIUS SUPERCONDUCTIVITY INC. (TICKER: XSCI) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22 1990.

(XSIRIUS SUPERCONDUCTIVITY INC. TEL: 602 991-3488)

-30- 467

#90296c0113 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOXER OF 122 CLIPPER LANE, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 402
#90296c0114 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAGADISH R DESAI OF 2950 NE 84TH LANE, BLAINE, MN 55434, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,667 SHARES OF APA OPTICS INC. (TICKER: APAT) THROUGH SUMMIT INVSTMNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(APA OPTICS INC. TEL: 612 784-4995)

-30- 403
#90296c0115 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MLT TRUST OF C/O BEAR STEARNS & CO INC, 245 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10167 HAS FILED TO SELL 50,560 SHARES OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. TEL: 212 272-2000)

-30- 453
#90296c0117 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILIPPE KAHN OF 1800 GREEN HILLS RD, SCOTTS VALLEY, CA 95066, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BORL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 408 438-8400)

-30- 433
#90296c0118 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TCA CORPORATION OF 701 WEST HAMPDEN AVE #B103, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80110, HAS

FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(RYAN-MURPHY INC. TEL: 303 293-3835)

-30- 414
#90296c0119 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J STANFORD SHELBY OF 6003 EAST RIDGE DR, SHREVEPORT, LA 71105, HAS FILED TO SELL 430,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 439
#90296c0120 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL A TARGON OF 9157 ENCINO AVE, 0, NORTHRIDGE, CA 91325, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,846 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 463
#90296c0121 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREDERICK A KREHBIEL OF 505 SOUTH COUNTY LINE RD, HINSDALE, IL 60521, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(MOLEX INC. TEL: 708 969-2973)

-30- 408
#90296c0122 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A FISHMAN OF 200 N ROCKINGHAM AVE, 0, LOS ANGELES, CA 90049, HAS FILED TO SELL 47,000 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 428
#90296c0123 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VINCENT CUERVO OF 4520 SUNSET DR, MIAMI, FL 33143, HAS FILED TO SELL 71,000 SHARES OF DEFAULT PROOF CREDIT CARD SYSTEM (TICKER: DPRS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(DEFAULT PROOF CREDIT CARD SYSTEM TEL: 305 446-8361)

-30- 455
#90296c0125 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD M FRANK OF 4607 VALLEY RIDGE, 0, DALLAS, TX 75220, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC TEL: 214 659-0889)

-30- 421
#90296c0126 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSE E AGUIRRE OF 8220 NW 52ND STREET, LAUDERHILL, FL 33351, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF DEFAULT PROOF CREDIT CARD SYSTEM (TICKER: DPRS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(DEFAULT PROOF CREDIT CARD SYSTEM TEL: 305 446-8361)

-30- 469
#90296c0127 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD TREVIRANUS OF 20908 NORTHASH ST, DEERFIELD, IL 60015, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF DEFAULT PROOF CREDIT CARD SYSTEM (TICKER: DPRS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(DEFAULT PROOF CREDIT CARD SYSTEM TEL: 305 446-8361)

-30- 471
#90296c0128 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS M SMITH OF 4854 POINT PLEASANT PIKE, DOYLESTOWN, PA 18901, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,000 SHARES OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. TEL: 614 833-9155)

-30- 447
#90296c0129 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VINCENT R ZURAWSKI OF 728 N GATE RD, WEST CHESTER, PA 19382, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,000 SHARES OF CENTOCOR INC. (TICKER: CNTO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(CENTOCOR INC. TEL: 215 296-4498)

-30- 402
#90296c0130 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARC P SHORE OF 10 EAST 53RD STREET, 26TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF SHOREWOOD PACKAGING CORP. (TICKER: SHOR) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(SHOREWOOD PACKAGING CORP. TEL: 516 694-2900)

-30- 442
#90296c0131 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROSE L HARROFF OF 2511 WEST WILDWOOD TRAIL, WARSAW, IN 46580, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET) THROUGH RAFFENSPERGER HUGHES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(BIOMET INC. TEL: 219 267-6638)

-30- 398
#90296c0133 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D MICHAEL HUGHES OF 102 HWY 27 WEST, INGRAM, TX 78025, HAS FILED TO SELL 31,575 SHARES OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 713 578-8868)

-30- 436
#90296c0134 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANIL SHARDA OF 5941 SITTING BULL PL, SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,600 SHARES OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(INCOMNET INC. TEL: 818 707-4141)

-30- 399
#90296c0135 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM H CAMPBELL OF 1131 DYRE ST, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19124, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF NATIONAL MEDIA CORP. (TICKER: NM) THROUGH BUTCHER & SINGER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(NATIONAL MEDIA CORP. TEL: 215 482-9800)

-30- 416
#90296c0136 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DORTHA BARTON OF 313 EAST FEDERAL, SHAWNEE, OK 74801, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF BARTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BART) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(BARTON INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 405 273-7660)

-30- 410
#90296c0137 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLEN GRIMSLEY OF P O BOX 630, ROCKY FORD, CO 81067, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF UTILITECH INC. (TICKER: UTLL) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(UTILITECH INC. TEL: 213 441-4119)

-30- 396
#90296c0138 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN GIRARD OF 4841 LOUISE AVE, 0, ENCINO, CA 91316, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,000 SHARES OF VENTURA ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LTD. (TICKER: VEGG) THROUGH GRUNTAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(VENTURA ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LTD. TEL: 818 762-8700)

-30- 446
#90296c0139 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE FELLOWS OF 25 ACKERMAN RD, SADDLE RIVER, NJ 07458, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DRUG) THROUGH SILVER GRAY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 609 228-8500)

-30- 438
#90296c0141 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERRY W ROBINSON OF 3801 WEST 98TH ST, APT #104, BLOOMINGTON, MN 55431, HAS FILED TO SELL 74,250 SHARES OF ULTIMAP INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: UMAP) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(ULTIMAP INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 612 854-2382)

-30- 453
#90296c0142 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM F DONOVAN OF 1140 WESTMONT DR #300, 0, HOUSTON, TX 77015, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF DOCTORS REHABILITATION CORP. OF (TICKER: DRRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(DOCTORS REHABILITATION CORP. OF TEL: 713 439-7511)

-30- 462
#90296c0143 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN A HILL OF 10 TALCOTT DR, EAST NORTHPORT, NY 11731, HAS FILED TO SELL 231,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 408
#90296c0144 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID A LYONS OF C/O NYCOM INFO SYSTEMS INC, 5 HIGH RIDGE PARK, STAMFORD CT 06900, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 436
#90296c0145 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD FELDMAN OF 17 CARRIAGE RD, ROSLYN, NY 11576, HAS FILED TO SELL 231,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 19, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 404
#90296c0146 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - Maverick Tube Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1.33 million shares of its common stock with an additional 667,000 shares being sold by selling shareholders of the company.

The initial public offering price is still to be determined.

Application will be made to have the common stock approved for listing on the American Stock Exchange upon completion of this offering under the symbol MAV.

PaineWebber Inc. is underwriting the offering.

Maverick Tube manufactures electric resistance welded pipe used in the energy industry for drilling and production applications and line pipe for surface handling and transportation of oil and natural gas.

The company's executive office is located at P.O. Box 4128, Chesterfield, Missouri 63006 and its telephone number is (314) 537-1314.

-30- 1043

#90296c0147 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - Lynx Energy Services Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 3 million shares of its common stock.

After completion of this offering, Ocelot Industries Ltd. will own 25 percent of the outstanding common shares of the company.

The initial public offering price is still to be determined.

Application has been made to have the common shares approved for quotation through the NASDAQ National Market System.

Salomon Brothers and Howard Weil Labouisse Friedrichs Inc. are managing the offering.

Lynx Energy is engaged in threee business segments: pipeline construction; contract drilling of oil and gas wells; and the manufacture, sale, repair and rental of oilfield equipment.

The company's executive office is located at 500, 622-5 Ave. S.W. Calgary, ALberta T2P OM6. Its telephone number is (403) 264-0650.

-30- 1075

#90296c0149 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Peripheral Systems Inc.(TICKER: PSIX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,378,123	$827,686
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(222,659)	$(264,258)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	20,531,863	17,540,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,581,392	$6,640,550
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$4,685,808	$4,481,867

-30- 1039

#90296c0150 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ripley Co. Inc.(TICKER: RIPY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$780,047	$812,101
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	$(155,590)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(165,339)	$(129,247)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.28)	$(0.22)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,478,446	$4,083,667
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,525,523	$2,676,800

-30- 965

#90296c0151 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Conquest Airlines Corp.(TICKER: CAIR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$3.029,929	$2,687,297
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,392,222)	$(1,039,369)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.34)	$(0.25)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,102,982	4,096,784

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$28,215,350	$30,752,351
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$(4,845,743)	$(3,453,520)

-30- 1025

#90296c0152 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Arix Corp.(TICKER: ARIX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$56,630,000	$84,973,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(32,992,000)	$5,163,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(4.30)	$(0.72)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,669,000	7,171,000

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$35,784,000	$53,094,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$10,805,000	$42,728,000

-30- 1013

#90296c0153 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by National Data Corp.(TICKER: NDTA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended May 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$276,429,000	$227,496,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$1,119,000	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,082,000	$20,238,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.26	$1.75
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,809,000	11,594,000

BALANCE SHEET

	May 31, 1990	May 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$277,200,000	$241,450,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$110,891,000	$109,955,000

-30- 1034

#90296c0154 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Triton Energy Corp.(TICKER: OIL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$64,171,000	$65,116,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	$155,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$8,909,000	$4,698,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.50)	$(0.29)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$650,187,000	$646,128,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$169,558,000	$173,796,000

-30- 998

#90296c0155 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, H.C. WORTMAN, DIR. OF ABC BANCORPORATION BOUGHT 208 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,208.

-30- 308
#90296c0157 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 25, 1988, M.J. BRESLIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GEOSTAR CORP. SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,600.

-30- 307
#90296c0158 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 8, 1989, R.D. BRISKMAN, VP OF GEOSTAR CORP. SOLD 400 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 239
#90296c0159 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1989, R.D. BRISKMAN, VP OF GEOSTAR CORP. SOLD 300 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 240
#90296c0160 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1989, R.D. BRISKMAN, VP OF GEOSTAR CORP. SOLD 300 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,750.

-30- 275
#90296c0161 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 8, 1990, R.D. BRISKMAN, VP OF GEOSTAR CORP. SOLD 500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 240
#90296c0162 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 16, 1990, R.D. BRISKMAN, VP OF GEOSTAR CORP. SOLD 200 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,050.

-30- 276
#90296c0163 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB. 15, 1989, P.W. WATKINS, VP OF GEOSTAR CORP. SOLD 250 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 239
#90296c0165 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1989, P.W. WATKINS, VP OF GEOSTAR CORP. SOLD 200 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 238
#90296c0166 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1989, P.W. WATKINS, VP OF GEOSTAR CORP. SOLD 200 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 238
#90296c0167 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 12, 1989, P.W. WATKINS, VP OF GEOSTAR CORP. SOLD 100 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 238
#90296c0168 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 14, 1989, P.W. WATKINS, VP OF GEOSTAR CORP. SOLD 500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 274
#90296c0169 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, J.C. GIRARD, VP OF SUPERMARKETS GENERAL HOLDINGS CORP. (TICKER: SGL) SOLD 3,260 SHARES AT $100.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,740.

-30- 332
#90296c0170 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 5, 1990, D.S. ALDRIDGE, OFFICER OF SUPERIOR HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: SPRC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $5.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,110.

-30- 321
#90296c0171 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 4, 1990, R.C. DABAGIA, PRES. OF HORIZON BANCORP INC. (TICKER: HZB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,600.

-30- 308
#90296c0173 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 4, 1990, R.E. MCBRIDE, DIR. OF HORIZON BANCORP INC. (TICKER: HZB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,627.

-30- 312
#90296c0174 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 22

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 22, 1990 National Intergroup (TICKER: NII) announced that it was extending its offer until 5 p.m. Oct. 26, 1990.

-30- 323
#90296c0175 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ELCO INDUSTRIES INC ESOP OWNS 243,975 SHARES (5.00%) OF ELCO INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: ELCN) OF ROCKFORD, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 24 and Oct. 11, 1990 Elco Industries Inc. ESOP purchased 16,700 shares for an total of $200,625.

-30- 444
#90296c0176 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Rosewood Financial Partners commenced returning to First Executive Corp. (TICKER: FEXC) information provided to them by First Executive Corp. pursuant to a confidentiality agreement. Rosewood Financial Partners have determined not to propose a recapitalization, reorganization or restructuring of First Executive Corp. and are presently evaluating their investment in First Executive Corp.

-30- 629
#90296c0177 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY P.B. KORSANT OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,017,741 SHARES (5.60%) OF SPRAGUE TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: SPG) OF STAMFORD, CT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 30 and Oct. 12, 1990 P.B. Korsant purchased 133,300 shares at $3.55 to $4.18 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 496
#90296c0178 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 436,000 SHARES (47.39%) OF THE LVI GROUP INC (TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 5 to Oct. 16, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. sold 187,400 shares for $0.31 to $0.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 495
#90296c0179 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY TARA LEE SPORTSWEAR INC OWNS 796,400 CLASS A SHARES (7.16%) OF CACI INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: CACI) OF ARLINGTON, VA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Tara Lee Sportswear Inc. purchased 425,000 shares from Oct. 10-16, 1990 for $2.15 to $2.54 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 510
#90296c0181 10/23/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FUNDAMENTAL MANAGEMENT CORP OF MIAMI, FL OWNS 284,800 SHARES (5.00%) OF ELCOTEL INC (TICKER: ECTL) OF SARASOTA, FL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Fundamental Management Corp. purchased 284,800 shares on Oct. 17, 1990 for $2.19 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 472
#90296c0182 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a letter dated Oct. 4, 1990, LifeSurance describes a transaction whereby Victory Financial Group Inc. along with Louisiana National Life Insurance Corp. and Empire Land Corp., has agreed to sell 566,193 shares to Regan Holding Corp. The purchase is subject to the approval of the Georgia Insurance Commissioner, who has scheduled a hearing for Oct. 31, 1990.

-30- 571
#90296c0183 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,422,800 SHARES (7.43%) OF FERRO CORP (TICKER: FOE) OF CLEVELAND, OH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 2-18, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 215,200 shares for $18.63 to $20 per share and sold 55,400 shares for $18.89 to $19.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 527

#90296c0184 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

TWEEDY BROWN CO LP OWNS 103,050 SHARES (5.64%) OF WELDOTRON CORP (TICKER: WLD) OF PISCATAWAY, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Tweedy Brown Co. LP intends to use its best efforts to encourage management of Weldotron Corp. to engage in a business transaction that would result in a sale or merger of the company's businesses.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 550
#90296c0185 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, MONTGOMERY MED VENTURES II LP, BEN. OWNER OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 348
#90296c0186 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, MONTGOMERY MED VENTURES II LP, BEN. OWNER OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,517,549.

-30- 393
#90296c0187 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ANTHONY INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ANTHONY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ANT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90296c0189 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, HENRY G HAGER, DIR. OF AMERICAN WATER WORKS CO. (TICKER: AWK), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,320.

-30- 315
#90296c0190 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, MARK H WILLES, DIR. OF THE BLACK & DECKER CORP. (TICKER: BDK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 316
#90296c0191 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JEFFREY AVERICK, VP OF BGS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: BGSS), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 300
#90296c0192 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, STANLEY J LESNIK, DIR. OF BROAD NATIONAL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: BNBC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,606.

-30- 328
#90296c0193 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 09, 1990, HUBERT WILLIAMS, DIR. OF BROAD NATIONAL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: BNBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,680.

-30- 335
#90296c0194 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, HUBERT WILLIAMS, DIR. OF BROAD NATIONAL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: BNBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,780.

-30- 335
#90296c0195 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, RICHARD G BRODRICK, DIR. OF THE QUICK & REILLY GROUP INC. (TICKER: BQR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 336
#90296c0197 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 172,102.

-30- 306
#90296c0198 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, PAUL T SAGO, VP OF COMERICA INC. (TICKER: CMCA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 286
#90296c0199 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, CLARENCE M LEWIS III, PRES. OF COMPUTER NETWORK TECHN CORP. (TICKER: CMNT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90296c0200 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLARENCE M LEWIS III, PRES. OF COMPUTER NETWORK TECHN CORP. (TICKER: CMNT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90296c0201 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLARENCE M LEWIS III, PRES. OF COMPUTER NETWORK TECHN CORP. (TICKER: CMNT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90296c0202 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CLARENCE M LEWIS III, PRES. OF COMPUTER NETWORK TECHN CORP. (TICKER: CMNT), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90296c0203 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, CLARENCE M LEWIS III, PRES. OF COMPUTER NETWORK TECHN CORP. (TICKER: CMNT), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,800.

-30- 355
#90296c0205 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, STATE STREET BK & TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.83 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90296c0206 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, STATE STREET BK & TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), BOUGHT 886 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90296c0207 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, STATE STREET BK & TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90296c0208 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, STATE STREET BK & TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), BOUGHT 1,884 SHARES AT $12.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90296c0209 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, STATE STREET BK & TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90296c0210 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, STATE STREET BK & TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $13.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90296c0211 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, STATE STREET BK & TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90296c0213 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, STATE STREET BK & TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), BOUGHT 4,192 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90296c0214 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, STATE STREET BK & TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF CINCINNATI MILACRON INC. (TICKER: CMZ), BOUGHT 1,312 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,744,449.

-30- 361
#90296c0215 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, ERIC H JOSTROM, DIR. OF ESSEX COUNTY GAS CO. (TICKER:

ECGC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,159.

-30- 315
#90296c0216 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WILLIAM A FRANKE, DIR. OF CENTRAL NEWSPAPERS INC. (TICKER: ECP), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90296c0217 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WILLIAM A FRANKE, DIR. OF CENTRAL NEWSPAPERS INC. (TICKER: ECP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 320
#90296c0218 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, FOOTE CONE & BELDING ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF FOOTE CONE & BELDING COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: FCB), BOUGHT 10,083 SHARES AT $24.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500,029.

-30- 400
#90296c0219 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ROBERT H STINE, DIR. OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 317
#90296c0221 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ROBERT B KAMON, PRES. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 307

#90296c0222 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROBERT B KAMON, PRES. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.17 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90296c0223 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, ROBERT B KAMON, PRES. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 11,189 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,382,335.

-30- 350
#90296c0224 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ROBERT S UKROP, DIR. OF HILB, ROGAL & HAMILTON CO. (TICKER: HRHC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,750.

-30- 329
#90296c0225 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ANDREW R MILLS, VP OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90296c0226 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ANDREW R MILLS, VP OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,600.

-30- 313
#90296c0227 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 03, 1990, JAMES B FOWLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,579.

-30- 335
#90296c0229 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, MICHAEL T MONAHAN, DIR. OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 320
#90296c0230 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BEAR STEARNS & CO, BEN. OWNER OF KAPPA NETWORKS INC. (TICKER: KPA), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90296c0231 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BEAR STEARNS & CO, BEN. OWNER OF KAPPA NETWORKS INC. (TICKER: KPA), SOLD 26,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90296c0232 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BEAR STEARNS & CO, BEN. OWNER OF KAPPA NETWORKS INC. (TICKER: KPA), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90296c0233 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, BEAR STEARNS & CO, BEN. OWNER OF KAPPA NETWORKS INC. (TICKER: KPA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90296c0234 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, BEAR STEARNS & CO, BEN. OWNER OF KAPPA NETWORKS INC.

(TICKER: KPA), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,971.

-30- 334
#90296c0235 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JEFFREY E EPSTEIN, OFFICER OF KING WORLD PRODUCTIONS INC. (TICKER: KWP), SOLD 7,100 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90296c0237 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JEFFREY E EPSTEIN, OFFICER OF KING WORLD PRODUCTIONS INC. (TICKER: KWP), SOLD 1,600 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90296c0238 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JEFFREY E EPSTEIN, OFFICER OF KING WORLD PRODUCTIONS INC. (TICKER: KWP), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90296c0239 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JEFFREY E EPSTEIN, OFFICER OF KING WORLD PRODUCTIONS INC. (TICKER: KWP), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90296c0240 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JEFFREY E EPSTEIN, OFFICER OF KING WORLD PRODUCTIONS INC. (TICKER: KWP), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90296c0241 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, OWSLEY B FRAZIER, DIR. OF LIBERTY NATL BANCORP INC.(KY) (TICKER: LNBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,300.

-30- 338
#90296c0242 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, HERBERT J STURZ, DIR. OF LAKE SHORE BANCORP INC (TICKER: LSNB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,987.

-30- 317
#90296c0243 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1988, MICHAEL J PAULUCCI, BEN. OWNER OF MEDICAL GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MGCC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175,000.

-30- 340
#90296c0245 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, MICHAEL J PAULUCCI, BEN. OWNER OF MEDICAL GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MGCC), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 244,500.

-30- 340
#90296c0246 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, MICHAEL J PAULUCCI, BEN. OWNER OF MEDICAL GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MGCC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 254,500.

-30- 340
#90296c0247 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 10, 1990, MICHAEL J PAULUCCI, BEN. OWNER OF MEDICAL GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MGCC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90296c0248 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 25, 1990, MICHAEL J PAULUCCI, BEN. OWNER OF MEDICAL GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MGCC), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 204,500.

-30- 338
#90296c0249 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 08, 1988, MICHAEL J PAULUCCI, BEN. OWNER OF MEDICAL GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MGCC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90296c0250 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 23, 1988, MICHAEL J PAULUCCI, BEN. OWNER OF MEDICAL GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MGCC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90296c0251 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1988, MICHAEL J PAULUCCI, BEN. OWNER OF MEDICAL GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MGCC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,000.

-30- 338
#90296c0253 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, GARDINER L TUCKER, DIR. OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $55.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 621.

-30- 297
#90296c0254 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOSEPH F PAQUETTE JR, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC.

(TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90296c0255 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, CORA B MONTALBAN, SHAREHOLDER OF MSR EXPLORATION LTD. (TICKER: MSR), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 333
#90296c0256 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, CORA B MONTALBAN, SHAREHOLDER OF MSR EXPLORATION LTD. (TICKER: MSR), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90296c0257 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JACK DEUTSCH, DIR. OF MARK TWAIN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: MTWN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,577.

-30- 327
#90296c0258 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BRIAN A ARNOLD, PRES. OF NEWMIL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NMSB), BOUGHT 6,551 SHARES AT $1.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,641.

-30- 319
#90296c0259 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JAMES W GRIEB, PRES. OF NEWORLD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NWOR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 309

#90296c0261 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 20, 1989, RONALD K URICH, OFFICER OF OPTO MECHANIK INC. (TICKER: OPTO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90296c0262 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, RONALD K URICH, OFFICER OF OPTO MECHANIK INC. (TICKER: OPTO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,675.

-30- 317
#90296c0263 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 180 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90296c0264 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 45,382 SHARES AT $21.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90296c0265 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 2,861 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90296c0266 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 44,885 SHARES AT $20.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90296c0267 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 1,787 SHARES AT $17.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90296c0269 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 2,830 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90296c0270 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 134,455 SHARES AT $20.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 340
#90296c0271 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 43,689 SHARES AT $20.97 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90296c0272 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 48,002 SHARES AT $20.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90296c0273 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 12,266 SHARES AT $20.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90296c0274 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 16,600 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90296c0275 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 48,334 SHARES AT $20.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90296c0277 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 32,556 SHARES AT $20.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90296c0278 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 34,966 SHARES AT $21.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90296c0279 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 373 SHARES AT $20.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90296c0280 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 515 SHARES AT $20.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90296c0281 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 251 SHARES AT $20.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90296c0282 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 210 SHARES AT $20.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90296c0283 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 316 SHARES AT $21.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90296c0285 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 2,010 SHARES AT $20.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90296c0286 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 769 SHARES AT $20.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90296c0287 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 735 SHARES AT $20.71 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90296c0288 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 959 SHARES AT $21.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90296c0289 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CHARLES M KEEN JR, DIR. OF PIONEER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PION), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90296c0290 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, CHARLES M KEEN JR, DIR. OF PIONEER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PION), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,300.

-30- 321
#90296c0291 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ROBERT L SIMPSON, DIR. OF ST. JOSEPH LIGHT & POWER CO. (TICKER: SAJ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 336
#90296c0293 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, HUGH D REED JR, DIR. OF SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC SERVICE CO. (TICKER: SWEL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,400.

-30- 332
#90296c0294 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, ANNE H PLOWDEN, DIR. OF THOMASTON MILLS INC. (TICKER:

TMST), SOLD 2,368 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 167,221.

-30- 334
#90296c0295 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, KAZUYOSHI SUDO, DIR. OF VICON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: VII), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,600.

-30- 302
#90296c0296 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, WARREN D COX, VP OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 303
#90296c0297 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, EDOUARD C THYS, DIR. OF WYMAN-GORDON CO. (TICKER: WYMN), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $6.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 309
#90296c0298 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

PAHLSON-MOLLER & CO LTD OWNS 2,811,860 SHARES (37.07%) OF NYCAL CORP (TICKER: NYCL) OF WASHINGTON, DC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 26, 1990 Pahlson-Moller & Co. LTD loaned Nycal Corp. $750,000 as partial financing for the acquisition of certain oil and gas interests by Nycal Corp. on Oct. 1. In connection with the loan Pahlson-Moller & Co. LTD received an option to purchase 50,000 shares at $2.50 per share expiring on Sept. 26, 1992. On July 12, 1990 Pahlson-Moller & Co. LTD agreed with Nycal Corp. to exchange 11,828,554 shares of Claremont (UK) plc for 148,250 Nycal Corp. shares valued at $4 per share. Pahlson-Moller & Co. LTD agreed with Nycal Corp. on July 27, 1990 to exchange 2,360,500 Shephard Insurance Group

Ltd. shares held by Pahlson-Moller & Co. LTD for 1,504,819 Nycal Corp. shares valued at $4 per share.

-30- 1041
#90296c0299 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

E.W. MCINROY OWNS 25,975 SHARES (1.10%) OF TRANSMATION INC (TICKER: TRNS) OF ROCHESTER, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

E.W. McInroy has ceased to hold more than 5 percent of Transmation Inc.'s shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 5 and Oct. 19, 1990 E.W. McInroy sold 108,900 shares at $2.38 to $3 per share.

-30- 512
#90296c0301 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.T. PEERY SEPARATE PROPERTY TRUST OWNS 289,000 SHARES (2.90%) OF REXON INC (TICKER: REXN) OF CULVER CITY, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

R.T. Perry Separate Property Trust purchased 97,000 shares from Aug. 10 to Sept. 12, 1990 for $4.56 to $6.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 509
#90296c0302 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J. ARRILLAGA SEPARATE PROPERTY TRUST OWNS 289,000 SHARES (2.90%) OF REXON INC (TICKER: REXN) OF CULVER CITY, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J. Arrillaga Separate Property Trust purchased 97,000 shares from Aug. 10 to Sept. 12, 1990 for $4.56 to $6.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 511
#90296c0303 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

UNILABS HOLDINGS SA OF GENEVA, SWITZERLAND OWNS 14,149,447 SHARES (52.90%) OF UNILAB CORP (TICKER: ULAB) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Unilabs Holding SA has entered into a memorandum of understanding to sell 6.5 million shares to MetPath Inc. in exchange for $36 million in cash plus payment plus the payment or assumption of certain other obligations.

-30- 563
#90296c0304 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

METPATH INC OWNS 6,887,493 SHARES (24.04%) OF UNILAB CORP (TICKER: ULAB) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Metpath Inc. has entered into a memorandum of understanding to purchase 6.5 million shares from Unilab Corp. in exchange for $36 million in cash plus payment plus the payment or assumption of certain other obligations.

-30- 519
#90296c0305 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 18, 1990, J.J. Mason executed a stock purchase agreement whereby he sold all 450,000 shares to Joseph J. Galli for $.01 per share.

-30- 362
#90296c0306 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - Denver-based Hallador Petroleum Co. (TICKER: HPET) wants to raise at least $1.5 million with either a private placement of securities or the sale of producing oil and gas properties.

The company is currently in default on certain loan agreements, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 23, 1990.

-30- 558
#90296c0307 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - Waltham, Mass.-based New England Bancorp Inc. (TICKER: NBKC) has raised its provisions for loan losses to $6 million for the third quarter of 1990 ended Sept. 21, as a result of the continuing deterioration of the New England real-estate sector of the economy, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 23, 1990.

-30- 587
#90296c0309 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY TINICUM INVESTORS LP OWNS 131,200 SHARES (6.60%) OF TECHNITROL INC (TICKER: TNL) OF TREVOSE, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Item six is amended, thusly, due to a clerical error, purchases of common stock effected from Sept. 6 through Oct. 17, 1990 were allocated 70 percent to Enterprises and 30 percent to RIT. Future purchases, if any, will continue to be allocated 65 percent to Enterprises and 35 percent to RIT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 6 through Oct. 17, 1990, Tinicum Investors LP purchased 19,100 shares at a price of $21 to $26.88 per share.

-30- 778
#90296c0310 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 16

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 5,625,430 CLASS A SHARES (22.22%) OF MEDIA GENERAL INC (TICKER: MEG) OF RICHMOND, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 407
#90296c0311 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

WARRINGTONS PLC OWNS 21,219,367 SHARES (79.60%) OF GROWTH DEVELOPMENT CORP (TICKER: GRDC) OF ANTIOCH, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a letter agreement dated Sept. 30, 1990, Warringtons agreed to acquire 9,002,479 shares of Growth Development Corp.'s common stock for $3,150,867.65 at $.35 per share. In satisfaction of this amount, Warringtons transferred two parcels of real estate to Growth Development Corp. known as the Inn on the Green Property (a forty room inn and related improvements on 52 acres in a resort located near Atlanta, Georgia), valued at approximately $2,200,000 and the Long Cove property (unimproved resort property located near Atlanta Georgia), valued at $950,867.68.

-30- 913
#90296c0312 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

WARRINGTONS PLC OWNS 600,000 SHARES (26.20%) OF GROWTH DEVELOPMENT CORP (TICKER: GRDC) OF ANTIOCH, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a letter agreement dated Sept. 30, 1990, Warringtons agreed to acquire 9,002,479 shares of Growth Development Corp.'s common stock for $3,150,867.65 at $.35 per share. In satisfaction of this amount, Warringtons transferred two parcels of real estate to Growth Development Corp. known as the Inn on the Green Property (a forty room inn and related improvements on 52 acres in a resort located near Atlanta, Georgia), valued at approximately $2,200,000 and the Long Cove property (unimproved resort property located near Atlanta Georgia), valued at $950,867.68.

-30- 910
#90296c0313 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY ALPHI FUND LP OWNS 270,200 SHARES (13.80%) OF AULT INC (TICKER: AULT) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment comprises amendment no 2 for Alphi Investment Management Co.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 28, 1990 through Oct. 19, 1990, Alphi purchased 20,200 shares at a price of $1.50 to $1.75 per share.

-30- 530
#90296c0314 10/23/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.H. KORNBLITH OWNS 115,700 SHARES (4.15%) OF COMTREX SYSTEMS CORP (TICKER: COMX) OF MT. LAUREL, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Kornblith believes that he became the beneficial owner of less than five percent of the company's outstanding common shares prior to July 13, 1990 due to the company's issuance of additional shares prior to that date and that the shares beneficially owned by Kornblith on July 13, 1990 represented 4.15 percent.

PURPOSE:

Termination of schedule 13d as originally filed the SEC on Feb. 13, 1987, on behalf of Mr. John H. Kornblith.

-30- 776

#90296d2110 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 23) - The Toyota Motor Corp.'s operations in the United States are revitalizing U.S. industry, the Japanese automaker's chairman Shoichiro Toyoda said in an interview published Tuesday.

"If they do things our way, their exports will become competitive," he told the Mainichi Daily News.

Mr. Toyoda rejected accusations that Japanese firms were "using money to get America's intellectuals" to lobby for their interests in the United States, and said, "I would like to see the American media become a little more honest."

Toyota was making "a splendid contribution" to the U.S. economy and society, he said.

"Right now, were working on the revitalizing of American industry," he said. "In order to energize American parts manufacturers, we consult with them from the planning stages so they can make good products."

"Because of Toyota's presence, American employment has increased," he continued, adding that education has also benefitted as Americans studied longer to qualify for the better jobs now available.

A series of high-profile acquisitions by Japanese investors in the United States -- where several key industries have declined over the past two decades in the face of Japanese competition -- has inflamed anti-Japanese sentiment in the United States recently.

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#90296d2260 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 23) - Beijing Jeep Corp., a Sino-U.S. joint venture with

Chrysler Corp., has put a new 28 million dollar engine factory into operation, press reports Tuesday said.

The plant, with nine automated production lines, 290 workers and an initial output capacity of 30,000 engines a year, was inaugurated Monday, the official New China News Agency and China Daily newspaper said.

It lifts to 40.4 percent the proportion of Chinese-made parts used by Beijing Jeep in assembling its Jeep Cherokee and BJ-2020N utility vehicles, thus enabling it to apply for duty-exempt status for imported components.

Beijing Jeep plans to turn out 41,831 vehicles this year, slightly more than it had initially forecast, including 7,600 Cherokees. Profits are expected to rise 6.8 percent over last year's.

China's auto industry was hard hit last year by state-imposed austerity measures, resulting in huge inventories of unsold vehicles. Looser credit this year has since eased the pressure.

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#90296d2270 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (OCT. 23) - A Japanese joint venture has purchased management and harvesting rights to two New Zealand pine forests covering 21,980 hectares (54,290 acres), officials said Tuesday.

State-owned Enterprises Minister Richard Prebble said the company, formed by Japanese firms Nissho Iwai and Juken Sagyo, had paid the government 41.5 million New Zealand dollars (24.9 million U.S.) for the forest rights.

The group bought rights to another New Zealand forest last month.

Juken Sangyo is one of Japan's biggest timber processing companies producing plywood, flooring, laminated veneers, doors and fittings.

It is to hold 85 percent of the joint venture and will manage processing facilities if they are built.

Nissho Iwai ranks among Japan's top trading companies measured by sales.

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#90296d2280 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (OCT. 23) - Trade between Taiwan and Eastern European nations totaled 372.5 millon U.S. dollars in the first nine months of this year, a 36 per cent rise over the same period of 1989, the Board of Foreign Trade (BOFT) said Tuesday.

Exports to the nine countries of Eastern Europe in the January-September period surged a whopping 97 per cent to 143 million dollars while imports from the region increased 14 per cent to 229.5 million dollars, BOFT said.

The Soviet Union was the largest of the island's East European trading partner for the nine months, registering a two-way trade of 76.6 million dollars, up 38 per cent, it said.

Exports to the Soviet Union ballooned 286 per cent to 39.4 million dollars but imports from the country declined 18 per cent to 37.2 million dollars, the BOFT said.

The export-oriented island sold products worth 32.5 million dollars to Hungary which overtook East Germany as the second largest buyer of Taiwan-made products in the region.

Trade between Taiwan and Yugoslavia in the first nine months registered a spectacular 353 per cent ascent over a year earlier to 36.2 million dollars.

Taiwan authorities have encouraged local businessmen to beef up trade and investment links with the East bloc to seek cheaper raw materials and expand overseas markets for local products.

Taiwan exports consumer goods, electrical appliances and information products to Eastern Europe and imports lumber, minerals and industrial raw materials.

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#90296d2290 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 23) - Bank of Japan Governor Yasushi Mieno said Tuesday the central bank would combat inflationary pressure stemming from higher oil prices, but would not make any hasty change in its monetary policy.

Mr. Mieno, in his opening speech to a meeting of the central bank's 23 branch managers, said Japan's economic expansion would generally continue as long as "home-generated" inflation was averted

He said the pace of growth might slow in coming months due to the Gulf crisis, but he said the yen's strength in recent weeks would help stabilize domestic prices in the face of soaring crude oil prices, which are calculated in dollars.

Mr. Mieno the central bank would do its utmost to prevent the "imported inflation" caused by higher oil prices from translating into "home-generated" inflation that could cripple economic growth.

But he indicated that the bank would not make any hasty change in its monetary policy, saying "I think it is proper to keep watching the effects of past

hikes in the official discount rate."

On August 30, the Bank of Japan raised its key lending rate to commercial banks from 5.25 per cent to six per cent, the fifth increase in 15 months and the highest level in almost nine years.

Addressing the fall of the dollar, Mr. Mieno said the United States needed to reduce its budget deficit to restore market confidence.

Meeting through Thursday, the central bankers will evaluate the effects of a higher yen, lower stock prices and higher interest rates on corporate finance and domestic business conditions, central bank sources said.

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#90296d2340 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 23) - Japan intends to propose a cut in tariffs on tropical agricultural products at an Uruguay Round of multilateral trade talks slated for Wednesday in Geneva, officials said Tuesday.

Hisao Azuma, director-general in the agriculture ministry, told a parliamentary committee that Tokyo plans to cut the tariffs on coffee, mangos,

papayas and other tropical products to around 5.5 per from the current 7.9 per cent.

The tariff cut had been strongly requested by developing countries at the Uruguay Round talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

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#90296d2390 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (OCT. 23) - The growth rate in South Africa's broad-based M3 money supply tumbled to a new three-year low with the stock of money in the economy increasing by only 13.28 percent in the year to September, according to preliminary Reserve (Central) Bank figures Monday.

This reflected a slump in credit spending as interest rates remain high and recession bites, the financial daily Business Day said Tuesday.

The year-on-year rate of increase has slid without interruption from 19.12 percent in May, as the monthly tempo at which banks have expanded their balance sheets has slowed dramatically.

If the expansion in money supply continues at the present slow rate, South Africa could end the year with growth below the Bank's 11 - 15 percent target range.

The annualised increase from the fourth quarter of last year is very much at the bottom end of the target range at 11.21 percent.

The Bank has made clear that a fall to below the target range would in itself not necessarily signal the need for a cut in bank rate -- prime rate is currently 21 percent, with annualised inflation at 13.6 percent.

Inflation and trade figures, due to be released this week could temper any bullish sentiment in the markets because of the positive developments on money supply.

"The Reserve Bank is doing what it must do to keep inflation down," a spokesman told Agence France-Presse.

Comparative M3 figures in billions of rands with the dollar equivalents in brackets, using average exchange rates of 38 U.S. cents to the rand in September and in August, and 36 cents in September 1989:

September 1990	August 1990	September 1989
155,177 (58.967)	154,305 (58.635)	136,984 (52.053)

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#90296d2400 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 23) - An oversupply of gold on the market, together with a static gold price and rising costs, could cause the South African gold industry to cut back considerably during the next three years, state-run radio said Tuesday.

An analyst quoted by the radio said that if the gold price remained at its present level and costs rose over the next three years by an average of ten per cent a year, South Africa will be producing only 250 tons a year by 1993, as against the current 586 tons.

Income from this source will then drop from 18,000 million rand (6,840 million dollars) to 8,000 million rand (3,040 million dollars), or 56 per cent.

This will mean that the 45 mines with a gold yield of less than seven grams per ton would have to close.

The analyst said, however, this scenario was unlikely because mines would be operated on a smaller scale and the rand would probably weaken to counter the rising costs.

The latest bulletin of the World Gold Council says it is mainly oversupply that is determining the gold price. The report goes on to say that South Africa's gold production, which has been levelling off for the past 16 months,

will be 11 percent lower in 1995 than it was in 1989.

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#90296d2910 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 23) - The commercial rouble will be devalued by 66 per cent on November 1, Ivan Ivanov, vice president of the cabinet commission for external relations said Tuesday.

In an interview with the Novosti agency, Mr. Ivanov said the rouble would be exchanged at 1.8 roubles to the U.S. dollar against the present 0.6.

The devaluation was announced on October 9 by Soviet state bank president Viktor Gerashchenko who said it would not take place until January 1.

The commercial rouble, whose exchange rate has been unchanged since 1961, is used for all the Soviet Union's trade transactions with other countries. Its devaluation is aimed at bringing Soviet prices gradually up to the world level.

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#90296d3130 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 23) - Japan's Nikko Securitiesa Co. Ltd. said Tuesday its net profit plummetted 68.1 per cent from a year earlier to 20.3 billion yen (160 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Operating revenue fell 37.5 per cent to 183 billion yen (1.4 billion dollars) in the same period, the company said.

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#90296d3180 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (OCT. 23) - The Japanese government has agreed to reschedule the payment of 925 million dollars of the Philippines' debt incurred under a Paris Club accord, the Japanese Embassy here said Tuesday.

The agreement was signed here Monday between Japanese Embassy minister Nobuyase Abe and Finance Secretary Jesus Estanislao.

The amount to be rescheduled includes 400 million dollars owed to the Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund, 165 million dollars to the Export-Import Bank of Japan, and 360 million dollars in commercial debts insured by the Japanese

government.

The rescheduling agreement stipulates that the debts, due to be paid on June 1991, will be stretched out over 10 years with an initial six-year grace period.

The Philippines has a 27 billion dollar foreign debt.

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#90296d3240 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 23) - The French Generale des Eaux water and diversified industrial group on Tuesday reported an increase of 19.1 per cent in net consolidated half-time profits after minorities to 892 million francs (about 165 million dollars) compared with the same period of 1989.

For the whole of 1990 the net profit after minorities might not be far from 2.2 billion francs (about 407 million dollars) compared with 1.83 billion francs last year, the company said. Cash flow should exceed eight billion francs.

Sales figures on consolidation of 1,300 companies totalled 53 billion francs, an increase of 16.7 per cent. Sales abroad totalled 13.7 billion francs, showing an increase of 52.2 per cent. The company said that sales for the year should exceed 110 billion francs of which 28 billion francs would be registered abroad.

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#90296d3260 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 23) - Nissan Motor Co. said Tuesday it would start exporting in November its luxury Maxima and sporty Fairlady Z models to Mexico.

Nissan hopes to sell 3,600 Maximas and Fairladys each year, targeting high-income earners in Mexico, Nissan officials said.

Nissan is the first Japanese carmaker to export cars to Mexico, which lifted a ban on imports of completed vehicles on October 1.

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#90296d3270 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 23) - Japan's Nomura Securities Co. Ltd. said Tuesday its net profit plunged 48.5 percent from a year earlier to 55.5 billion yen (437 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Operating revenue declined 30.2 percent to 339 billion yen (2.7 billion dollars) in the same period, the company said.

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#90296d3300 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 23) - Japan's Yamaichi Securities Co. Ltd. said Tuesday its net profit plunged 65.3 percent from a year earlier to 19.3 billion yen (152 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Operating revenue fell 38.7 percent to 172 billion yen (1.4 billion dollars) in the same period, it said.

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#90296d3350 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (OCT. 23) - Media magnate Rupert Murdoch said Tuesday that he expected his News Corp. Ltd. to perform better in 199091 despite an expected world economic slump.

"As a whole ... I would expect trading to be ahead of last year," Mr. Murdoch told the annual general meeting in Adelaide.

News Corp.'s net profit before abnormal items fell 43 per cent to 282 million Australian dollars (219 million U.S.) in the year to June 30.

The media group's share price recently tumbled to a nearly five-year low of 4.85 dollars compared to the year's high of 11.50 dollars due to concern about its excessive debt. On Tuesday the shares jumped 54 cents to close at 6.10 dollars.

Analysts have aired concern about the sharp growth in News Corp.'s short term borrowings from about 558 million dollars (434 million U.S.) more than a year ago to about 2.95 billion dollars (2.29 billion U.S.) at June 30.

Chairman Richard Searby told shareholders the company wanted to cut its short term debt which stemmed from investment in projects that would keep the group competitive.

"Our aim is to replace the whole or a substantial part of the short term debt with long term debt," Mr. Searby said.

Shareholders approved the company's controversial resolution to issue limited-voting preference shares.

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#90296d3370 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOI (OCT. 23) - Vietnamese exports leapt 18.4 percent in value above year earlier figures in the first nine months of 1990 while imports returned more

modest growth for the same period, the Nhan Dan said Tuesday.

The paper also said exports had reached 75 percent of the annual plan while imports in the first nine months represented 66.8 percent of the annual plan and were up 2.8 percent on last year's corresponding period.

National corporations achieved 95.3 percent of their export targets in trade with non-socialist countries, a rise of 20 percent on the corresponding period for last year.

Imports were also up a whopping 83 percent over the previous year in trade with these countries, Nhan Dan said.

The report did not give figures for exports and imports with the Soviet Union and east Europe but these are likely to have slipped given changes under way in those countries and their economic problems.

It also did not give value of imports and exports.

The paper also said that in the first nine months of the year retail sales on the domestic market were worth more than 12,000 billion dong (almost two billion dollars), or 70 percent of the annual target.

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#90296d3380 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 23) - China on Tuesday praised as "sensible" a decision by the European Economic Community (EEC) to lift most sanctions imposed after last year's Tiananmen Square crackdown.

"In our view, the decision ... is a sensible one. We welcome it," a foreign ministry spokesman said in a statement.

China had always regarded its relationship with Europe as an important one, based on "mutual respect for sovereignty, non-interference in each other's affairs, equality and mutual benefit," he said

"We hope that the two sides will make joint efforts to further improve and develop relations between China and Europe," the spokesman added.

EEC foreign ministers resolved Monday to lift most sanctions against China, clearing the way for normal exchanges of high-level visits as well as economic, scientific and technical co-operation.

But an embargo on arms sales and military co-operation is to remain in force.

Sanctions were imposed after the June 4, 1989 military suppression of student-led democracy protests in Beijing, though many were progressively

loosened over the past several months.

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#90296d3400 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 23) - Japan's Daiwa Securities Co. Ltd. said Tuesday its net profit dived 58.6 percent to 32.7 billion yen (257 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Operating revenue fell 26.7 percent to 244 billion yen (1.9 billion dollars) in the same period, the company said.

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#90296d3510 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAKARTA (OCT. 23) - The government Tuesday revoked the publishing license of Monitor, a popular Indonesian weekly tabloid, for running a poll on "most admired persons" that rated the Prophet Mohammad in 11th place.

"The government has cancelled Monitor's publishing license," a spokeswoman for the information ministry said, adding that a press statement was expected later in the day.

The revocation meant the publication's closure under Indonesian press laws.

The move followed two days of intense, and sometimes violent, protests from Moslem organisations calling for sterner government measures against Monitor and for the trial of its editors.

The government had already issued Friday a strong warning against the newspaper, saying the poll could disrupt existing religious and racial harmony in this country of 184 million people.

The government's decision broke with tradition whereby a news organisation was allowed three warnings before having its license revoked, indicating the strong pressure brought to bear by Moslem organisations.

The Monitor poll put President Suharto at the top of its list, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein at seventh, and its own chief editor Arswendo Atmowiloto came 10th just above the Prophet Mohammad.

A number of Moslem groups staged peaceful but tense demonstrations under the watchful eyes of heavily armed troops in various parts of Jakarta Tuesday, calling for Monitor's closure and the trial of its editors.

Police Tuesday appealed for calm and warned the public against taking the law into their hands after a group of students stormed into Monitor's office Monday and broke windows and equipment.

Several of Monitor's editors have been under questioning, police said.

The tabloid is owned by Gramedia, a business group associated with Chinese Catholic interests, which also controls Kompas daily, the country's largest newspaper in terms of readership.

The protests made no direct mention of the Chinese Catholic proprietorship,

but observers said this was implicit in the reference to religious or racial harmony, which also appeared in the government warning.

Islam is the dominant religion in Indonesia with nearly 90 percent of the population following the faith. The Christian minority, however, holds many key, powerful posts in both government and business.

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#90296d3580 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 23) - Japan's Big Four securities firms announced Tuesday steep profit declines in the six months to September, reflecting plunges in both share prices and trading volume in the first half of the financial year.

All four companies - Nomura Securities Co. Ltd., Daiwa Securities Co. Ltd. Nikko Securities Co. Ltd. and Yamaichi Securities Co. Ltd. - also suffered sharp falls in revenue, marked by lower commissions and hefty trading losses.

The plunge in earnings, the sharpest in more than a decade, follows a decline of more than 46 percent in the Nikkei Stock Average during the six months. Average daily turnover on the Tokyo Stock Exchange also contracted by almost 30 percent to around 516 million shares in the same period.

Nomura, the world's biggest securities firm, said its net profit plunged 48.5 percent from a year earlier to 55.5 billion yen (437 million dollars) in the six months. Operating revenue declined 30.2 percent to 339 billion yen (2.7 billion dollars) in the same period.

Commissions plunged 33.2 percent 211 billion yen (1.7 billion dollars) while income from interest and dividend payments rose 124 percent to 29 billion yen (224 million dollars).

Trading losses came to 972 million yen (eight million dollars) compared with profits of 82 billion yen (646 million dollars) in the first half of last year.

Daiwa said its net profit dived 58.6 percent to 32.7 billion yen (257 million dollars) in the six months. Operating revenue fell 26.7 percent to 244 billion yen (1.9 billion dollars) in the same period, it said.

Commissions fell 32.8 percent to 154 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars) while interest and dividend income jumped 71.3 percent to 94 billion yen (740 million dollars).

Losses from trading activities amounted to almost four billion yen (31 million dollars) compared with profits of 49 billion yen (384 million dollars) in the same period last year.

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#90296d3670 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 23) - Some 2,500 delegates representing 140 million workers belonging to official Soviet trades unions began their 19th congress here on Tuesday in the presence of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, officials said.

The Soviet TASS news agency said that they were due to launch "radical restructuring" of their member unions.

These unions "showed themseleves to be largely ineffective in protecting workers' interests at a time when the country is evolving towards a new treaty of union and a market economy", TASS said.

The organisation, due to adopt the title of "General Confederation of Soviet Unions", was expected to give itself the task of protecting "the interests of workers during radical economic reform", TASS reported.

Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov, and the president of the supreme soviet (parliament) Anatoli Lukianov, also attended the opening of the congress.

Unions from the three Baltic republics of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, and from Georgia refused to send official delegations, and were to be represented only by "invited" individuals.

The previous congress of Soviet unions, which was the first to be held following the arrival of Mr. Gorbachev in power, was held in February 1987.

Mr. Gorbachev had then strongly criticised the unions for lacking dynamism and for dragging their feet over "the imperative need for perestroika (restructuring)".

The official unions have taken a conservative stand on current changes, even organising demonstrations against some effects of the reforms which they consider to be negative, such as increases in prices or "speculation".

Since the resignation in July of Guennadi Ianaev, who was elected to the politburo of the Communist Party, the post of president of the unions has been vacant and someone should be appointed to it during the congress.

"The unions today hold a new position in society. They are now independent of any political or governmental structure," Mr. Ianaev said a few days before leaving office.

Meanwhile the second congress of coal miners, which opened on Monday in Donertsk, in the Ukraine, was continuing with a view to creating an independent union.

The move towards the creation of independent social and professional organisations is one of the biggest challenges facing the official unions, analysts said.

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#90296d3700 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 23) - Visiting Czechoslovkian Foreign Minister Jiri Dienstbier Tuesday asked Japan for its technological assistance and direct investments to help his country undergo economic reforms, Japanese officials said.

The officials said that Mr. Dienstbier made the requests when he met with Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu.

They said that Mr. Kaifu told the foreign minister that Japan would positively cooperate with Prague's economic reform through international bodies, including the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

But Mr. Kaifu told Mr. Dienstbier that Czechoslovakia needs to improve its environment to lure more direct investment.

Mr. Dienstbier invited the Japanese prime minister to visit his nation, the officials said.

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#90296d3740 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 23) - A leading German environmental action group that is angry at Japan's huge imports of timber called Tuesday for a consumer boycott of Japanese products.

The German Union for the Environment and Nature Protection, known as Bund, said Japanese business was heavily involved in the destruction of eco-systems that were of worldwide importance.

Bund chairman Hubert Weinzierl said here the Japanese had imported one third of world production of tropical timber, or 12.5 million cubic metres, in the couse of last year and were thus to blame for the destruction of a large part of Malaysia's rain forest.

Japanese companies had been setting up environmental survey departments because of international presssure, but the scale of timber felling had not been reduced, said Weinzierl. Germans should stop buying any sort of Japanese import, he said.

''Japanese companies apparently won't even spare us the depletion of forests in the temperate zones,'' he added, charging that the Canadian province of Alberta had just granted cutting rights to 245,000 square kilometres of woods to the Japanese Mitsubishi group.

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#90296d3760 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 23) - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher conferred here Tuesday with Kuwait's ousted leader, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad as-Sabah, amid new assertions by the government-in-exile that Iraq would receive no territorial concessions in return for withdrawing its occupation forces.

Thatcher has consistently called for unconditional Iraqi withdrawal and restoration of a legitimate government in Kuwait.

Earlier Tuesday, the ambassador to London of Kuwait's exiled government, Ghazi al-Rayes, rejected any peace-for-land swap that would involve Kuwait's accepting a partial Iraqi withdrawal and ceding two islands to Iraq.

''There is no concession for the aggressor because if you give any concession and give any reward to the aggressor, that means you are just encouraging him '' the diplomat told the British Broadcasting Corporation.

Prospects of such a swap were raised anew over the weekend when the Saudi foreign minister, Prince Sultan bin Abdul-Aziz, suggested to Arab journalists that it would not be wrong for an Arab country to grant land to a ''brother Arab country''.

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#90296d3810 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (OCT. 23) - Admiral Fulvio Martini is to be removed as head of military intelligence in an apparent disciplinary measure after letters belonging to a former prime minister were found at a terrorist hideout, newspapers said Tuesday.

Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti told a National Defense Council meeting Thursday he would appoint General Alessandro D'Ambrosio to the position when Adm. Martini's term runs out in March, according to the reports.

Adm. Martini was said not have been informed of the decision.

The reports linked his impending dismissal to the discovery of letters belonging to former Christian Democrat prime minister Aldo Moro a few weeks ago at a Red Brigades hideout in the northern city of Milan.

Mr. Moro was kidnapped in 1978 and subsequently killed.

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#90296d3880 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (OCT. 23) - Nigeria is working out details of assistance for poor African countries hit by high crude oil prices resulting from the Gulf crisis, General Ibrahim Babangida said here Tuesday.

He told visiting Sierra Leonian acting first vice president, Ben Kanu, that the West African sub-region needed to work together to achieve the ideal of a peceful and progressive region, an official statement said.

Mr. Kanu, who delivered a special message from President Joseph Momoh, told Gen. Babangida that his country needed Nigeria's assistance because of the hardships it was suffering due to the rising cost of crude oil.

The Nigerian leader made a similar aid pledge here on October 13 when he received Gambian Interior Minister, Lami Kiti Kabang.

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#90296d3910 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (OCT. 23) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is willing to meet his U.S. counterpart George Bush to examine the Gulf crisis, a visiting U.S. delegation chief said here Tuesday.

Salim Mansour told a news conference that Mr. Hussein suggested either a U.S.-Iraqi summit or direct talks at foreign minister-level to examine the Gulf crisis and ways of achieving peace and stability in the Middle East.

"The Iraqi President Saddam Hussein told us Sunday of his country's readiness to launch a direct dialogue with the United States to examine the Gulf crisis and means of achieving peace and stability in the Middle East," Dr. Mansour said.

Dr. Mansour met for two hours Sunday in Baghdad with President Hussein and later announced that Iraq would release 14 elderly and ill U.S. nationals trapped here since the August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Hussein has also agreed to let go 50 elderly and ill Britons, five Finnish nationals and has asked parliament to discuss the possibility of releasing some 300 French citizens to confirm Iraq's "friendship" with France.

Dr. Mansour heads the private Iraqi-American Friendship Foundation that has been here for more than a week of talks with Iraqi officials on the Gulf crisis and ways to let foreigners detained here and in Kuwait go home.

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#90296d3920 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (OCT. 23) - Nelson Mandela was upset Tuesday when he apparently thought he had been set up by the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) to debate with Inkatha Freedom Party President Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

Mr. Mandela -- who is on a three day official visit to Australia -- had just ended an interview with ABC Radio show PM and was sitting in the ABC's Canberra studio when the program introduced Chief Buthelezi as its next guest.

Mr. Mandela was apparently surprised when he heard the voice of Chief Buthelezi, who has agreed to hold long-awaited talks with him aimed at settling black violence in South Africa.

Kerrie Weil, PM's executive producer, later said that it was never intended to set up a debate between the two prominent rival black South Africans, whose followers are engaged in bloody strife in Natal and elsewhere.

Mr. Mandela asked interviewer Paul Murphy after he heard the start of the next interview: "Was that Buthelezi? In fairness you should have told me."

Mr. Murphy answered: "Mr. Mandela, yes, I should tell you that I have just been talking to Chief Buthelezi. I don't know whether you want to listen to what he has to say."

Mr Mandela said: "I don't. In fairness you should have told me the full picture beforehand."

Ms. Weil said: "It was intended that a live self-contained interview with Mandela be followed by a live self-contained interview with Buthelezi.

"We had finished the interview with Mandela and the compere read out the lead for the following item which was Buthelezi," she said.

A television cameraman, in the studio to record the Mr. Mandela interview, said the deputy president of the African National Congress was visibly angry at the incident.

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#90296d3940 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (OCT. 23) - Yugoslavia has "temporarily" closed its embassy in Kuwait and withdrawn its sole remaining diplomat because living conditions

there have become unbearable, Tanjug news agency said Tuesday.

Iraqi military authorities cut off the mission's water and electricity more than three weeks ago.

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#90296d3950 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 23) - Japan will propose a cut in tariffs on more than 100 tropical farm products at the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotitions this week, a government official said Tuesday.

Director-General of the International Affairs Department of the Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Ministry Hisao Azuma told a farm trade committee of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) that the ministry planned to lower tariffs on more than 100 tropical farm products by 30 percent to around 5.5 percent from the current 7.5 percent.

The tariff reduction has been strongly requested by developing countries at the Urugay Round talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

According to Mr. Azuma, Japan will make the official proposal at GATT working-level meetings on tropical trade to be held on Wednesday and Thursday in Geneva.

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#90296d4150 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 23) - China announced Tuesday the continuation of its nationwide crackdown on crime and pornography, which has already seen hundreds of people executed and tens of thousands prosecuted.

Liu Zhongde, deputy secretary general of the State Council (cabinet), said a new campaign against pornography would be launched from this winter until next spring to "get rid of cultural garbage," the New China News Agency reported.

He said the new attack would be used to reinforce the gains of the preceding campaign, which began after the Beijing massacre in June last year.

The communist party People's Daily published a statement by Qiao Shi, the permanent member of the party politburo charged with public security, in which he said the crackdown on crime would also be pursued.

It will be aimed at all serious crimes, criminal gangs and fugitive criminals, Mr. Qiao told a press conference Monday, the newspaper said.

He demanded in particular for the authorities to stem the resurgence of the so-called "six evils": prostitution, pornography, white slave trade, narcotics

trafficking and use, gambling and feudal superstitions.

Ren Jianxin, head of the supreme court, told the same conference that from May when the fight against crime began, until September, 796,000 cases, 157,000 of which were classified as serious, were dealt with.

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CENTRAL COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 23) - General Colin Powell, chairman of the U.S. joint chiefs of staff, held talks with U.S. Middle East commander General H. Norman Schwarzkopf here Tuesday and said he had seen no evidence to back up reports that Iraq had withdrawn some of its troops from Kuwait.

Gen. Powell told reporters that he and Gen. Schwarzkopf, during some 10 hours of talks over two days, had "examined every possible contingency with which we might be faced.

"I explored all options with General Schwarzkopf," said Gen. Powell, who arrived in Saudi Arabia on Monday. "We've looked at the manner in which the buildup has gone so far and how close we were to achieving the original objectives assigned to us by the president, to deter and defend."

Asked about reports from Kuwaiti exiles that Iraq may be withdrawing some of its troops from Kuwait, Gen. Powell said: "I've seen those reports but I have no evidence that would substantiate them.

"The Iraqi forces still remain very solidly in Kuwait in the numbers we have been reporting all along and, frankly, I have not seen any evidence of withdrawal."

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#90296d4280 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GBARNGA, LIBERIA (OCT. 23) - Ten months after launching his bid for the presidency, Charles Taylor has his own executive mansion, cabinet, legislature and constituency -- but not in the Liberian capital.

The National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) rebel chief has had to set up his dream in this town 150 kilometers (95 miles) north of Monrovia, after a West African expeditionary force beat back his troops from the capital in three weeks of heavy fighting.

The 6,000-strong expeditionary force, dispatched under the auspices of the Economic Commmunity of West African States (ECOWAS) and comprising troops from Nigeria, Ghana, Guinea, the Gambia and Sierra Leone, has driven the NPFL rebels out of Monrovia and is seeking to create a 20-kilometer (12-mile) buffer zone around the capital.

Mr. Taylor conceded on Sunday that his troops may lose the "urban areas," but would fight to the end in the country's bush. "They may drive us out of Monrovia and Paynesville, but we will buckle down, and there will be no peace in this country," he told journalists Sunday.

Undaunted, the stocky 42-year-old guerilla, who appointed himself president of this war-wracked West African state in July, moved on Sunday to consolidate his position by installing a 24-member national assembly under his leadership.

For the occasion, he brought in about 250 area residents for a church service followed by an induction ceremony for five NPFL members, one elected representative from each of Liberia's 13 counties and designates from six political parties.

Christian hymns were sung as a dozen boys and girls, members of the "junior commandos," armed with Soviet-made AK-47 assault rifles paced in front of the stage where Mr. Taylor, his companion Agnes and other members of the cabinet took their places.

Dressed in a white flowing African robe, the rebel chief, who says that he is a Baptist, sent a Bible around during the swearing-in ceremony for each of the new legislators to kiss, as an NPFL band played on.

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#90296d4360 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 23) - Burmese troops on Tuesday launched lightning raids on the Rangoon offices of the opposition party which won May's general elections, eyewitnesses said, one day after security forces raided 133 Buddhist monasteries.

The assault on the offices of the National League for Democracy (NLD), the country's largest political party, and Monday's move against the monks in the central city of Mandalay is the latest round in what Rangoon-based observers said was a concentrated campaign to silence the junta's critics.

Eyewitnesses reported that at least five of the NLD offices in southwest Rangoon were surrounded by troops as security police carried out searches inside the buildings.

The military, who videotaped the raids, gave no reason for the searches or details of what they were looking for and NLD leaders were not immediately available for comment. NLD sources said their headquarters had been among the offices searched.

In their raids on the monasteries in Mandalay, troops seized what the ruling military junta described as proof of a plot to overthrow the regime.

"The NLD has all but been neutralised and as a political party it now seems incapable of mounting any real threat to the regime," said one of the Rangoon-based observers.

"With the move against the monks, it looks as if the last serious opposition is now out of action," the observer said.

Observers had no doubt that the latest move against the NLD was linked to the raids on the Buddhist monasteries in Mandalay.

The government-run Working People's Daily newspaper reported that a search of the Payagyi monastery in Mandalay resulted in the discovery of anti-government pamphlets.

The paper said that materials, badges of various political parties including of the NLD, as well as newsletters published by alleged communists, had also been uncovered.

An official decree on Sunday had warned that action would be taken against political parties exploiting religion for their own ends, and Burma-based observers said the raids on the NLD offices were simply a followup to the raids on the monasteries.

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#90296d4480 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 23) - Courtaulds Textiles and the U.S. General Motors (GM) auto group are to create an equally-owned company to make car interiors and car seats, Courtaulds said here on Tuesday.

The agreement is between Courtaulds and Inland Fisher Guide, a GM subsidiary, and involves the creation of a production unit employing about 20 people at Nottingham in England.

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#90296d4530 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (OCT. 23) - The Pakistani president has introduced a new measure designed to prevent defection by a member from a party in the national parliament or provincial assemblies.

An ordinance issued by President Ghulam Ishaq late Monday amends an existing political parties act to tighten up restrictions on members abandoning a party on whose ticket they are elected to a legislature.

Under the act a member changing his loyalties runs the risk of losing his seat. The ordinance is aimed at removing some loopholes in that law.

The president had cited political horse-trading as one of the reasons for his dissolution of the assemblies in August.

The Pakistani electorate is to go to the polls on Wednesday to elect a new national assembly, to be followed by elections to the four provincial assemblies on Saturday.

At the time of a failed no-confidence motion against former premier Benazir Bhutto in November 1989, some opposition members sided with her and were later given cabinet posts.

The presidential ordinance provides that a member shall be deemed to have defected from a political party if he votes or abstains from voting in violation of his party's directive.

Members are barred from accepting any office under a government of a political party other than their own without prior permission in writing from their party.

The restrictions also cover any alliance or combination of political parties which participate in an election under one election symbol. The symbols are allotted to help the illiterate to cast their votes.

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#90296d4540 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NATO) (OCT. 23) - Romania on Tuesday became the last Warsaw Pact country to establish diplomatic relations with NATO, the organization's secretary general Manfred Woerner said.

Mr. Woerner, who met with Romanian Prime Minister Petre Roman at NATO headquarters, also accepted accreditation of a Romanian ambassador to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Romania will be represented at NATO by its ambassador to Belgium and the European Community, Ovidiu Corneliu Popescu.

Mr. Roman, who was paying his first visit to NATO, also met ambassadors of the 16 NATO member states. He later told journalists he had been asked "many questions" on his country's attitude to the Warsaw Pact and on the "democratic process" and economic reforms in Romania.

He said the Warsaw Pact -- whose members include the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Hungary, Bulgaria and Romania -- was losing its "military component" to be left simply with "a political component."

"One quite rightly these days wonders whether this political component is really useful, if it can really contribute to stability in Europe," he said. The Warsaw Pact members should "think about these questions and try and find answers, if there are any," Mr. Roman added.

Hungary plans to withdraw from the Warsaw Pact next year. Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel said Sunday that the upcoming Warsaw Pact summit to be held on November 3 and 4 in the Hungarian capital, Budapest, should consider "liquidating its joint military command."

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#90296d4570 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO (OCT. 23) - Norway will try to assist jailed Kenyan dissident Koigi wa Wamwere by presenting his case to the United Nations, acting Foreign Minister Tom Vraalssen said here Tuesday.

Because Kenya broke diplomatic relations with Norway on Monday, Norway is barred from taking bilateral action against the Kenyan Government to help the former politician, said Mr. Vraalsen, also Minister of Overseas Aid.

The Norwegian Government has notified the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, the U.N. Commission on Human Rights, and the International Lawyers Commission of Mr. Wamwere's upcoming trial. The moves were to compensate for Norway's lost opportunities to assist him, Mr. Vraalsen said.

Meanwhile Norway has sent an official note to Kenya, denouncing accusations of a conspiracy to topple the regime of President Daniel arap Moi.

In a statement announcing the decision to break relations with Norway, Kenyan Foreign Minister Wilson Ndolo Ayah accused Norway of harbouring Kenyan dissidents.

Norway assumes relations will be formally cut next Monday, Mr. Vraalsen said, and that the Kenyan Government will not reverse its decision.

As a result of the move, all state-to-state relations will cease and most Norwegians involved in development programs will leave Kenya by the end of the

week, he said.

He commented that it was a sad way to end 25 years of cooperation, adding that frequent violations of human rights had made the internal situation in Kenya worse over the years.

The Danish development organisation Danida would be closing down Norwegian projects and the Swedish Embassy would from now on represent Norwegian interests in Kenya.

Meanwhile in Copenhagen, well-informed sources in the Danish Foreign Ministry said Kenya's unilateral diplomatic break with Norway could put an 83-million-dollar Nordic aid project at risk.

The five-year project supported by Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden concerns farming cooperatives and rural development.

Foreign Minister Uffe Ellemann-Jensen issued a communique regretting Monday's break and saying Denmark had been concerned for some time that the Kenyan leadership was distancing itself from democratic procedures.

In future aid programmes, Denmark wanted to encourage democratic reforms and help for Kenya's poorest sectors, he said.

Denmark's bilateral assistance, standing at 35 million dollars for 1990, would face considerable cuts in coming years because of Kenyan refusal to respect human rights, the minister warned.

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#90296d4580 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 23) - Italian President Francesco Cossiga arrived here Tuesday on a three-day state visit to Britain and was greeted at Victoria station by Queen Elizabeth.

They then drove together in a horse-drawn carriage procession to Buckingham Palace.

Mr. Cossiga, a friend of Margaret Thatcher, is to hold talks Wednesday with the British prime minister on the Gulf crisis and European unity.

He will join the queen later Wedneday to open an exhibition entitled "The Lions of Venice" at the British Museum.

On Saturday, Mrs. Thatcher met with Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti ahead of a European Council meeting next Saturday, at which they plan to call on the European Economic Community to draw up a statement condemning Iraq for the invasion of Kuwait.

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#90296d4620 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BOGOTA (OCT. 23) - The cousin of fugitive drug cartel leader Pablo Escobar Gaviriar was killed Tuesday in a shootout with police at a ranch near the cartel's Medellin headquarters, police spokesmen said.

Luis Hernando Gaviria Gomez, alias Abraham, was responsible for the cartel's military wing, the police said in a statement without specifying exactly what his functions were.

He was killed during a predawn raid on a ranch known as Manantial, near Medellin, 250 kilometers (150 miles) northwest of here, where police investigators had tracked him.

Police found several cassettes, letters and other documents at the ranch which they said were of great value to their ongoing investigation of the cartel's activity.

Mr. Gaviria was the second of Mr. Escobar's relatives to have been killed during the government's 14-month-long crackdown against drug trafficking operations in the country.

Gustavo Gaviria Ribero, another of Mr. Escobar's cousins, was killed in August by authorities.

Two other cartel bosses, Jose Gonzalo Rodriguez Gacha and John Jairo Arias Tascon died December 1989 and last August, respectively, in other clashes with the authorities.

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#90296d4720 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISTANBUL (OCT. 23) - A drought in Istanbul has been ended by rain which fell at the push of a button.

The rain has fallen continuously on Istanbul for 24 hours and is due to continue intermittently for the next seven months under a contract to "bomb" the capital's reservoirs with planned precipitations.

Since mid-July Turkish university researchers and a U.S. company Weather Modifications, together with the Turkish weather service, had been waiting for a big cumulus cloud formation to pass over the dry reservoirs serving the 7.5 million people living in Istanbul.

Under a seven-month contract worth 580,000 dollars, the U.S. company used an aeroplane to vaporise silver iodine inside the cloud to provoke rain in the

right place.

The method, developed in 1946 by U.S. scientist Vincent J. Schaefer, causes a sudden cooling of the cloud, leading to rainfall.

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#90296d4790 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 23) - The Soviet Union Tuesday said it was pleased that the prime ministers of North and South Korea had met to try and lessen tension on the Korean peninsula.

Youri Gremitskikh, a spokesman for the Soviet foreign affairs ministry, also called on South Korea to cancel this year's "Time Spirit" joint military exercises with the United States.

He said military exercises with the United States had hindered the inter-Korean dialogue "on several occasions."

Mr. Gremitskikh added that the "Soviet Union, as a permanent member of the United Nations' Security Council, would support any decision" (concerning a Korean seat at the U.N.) chosen by the two Koreas.

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#90296d4870 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 23) - Sri Lankan Prime Minister Dingiri Banda Wigetunga arrived here on Tuesday to attend a meeting of the World Bank which will discuss easing his country's debt burden.

Mr. Wigetunga will also meet with the UNESCO Director General Francesco Mayor on Thursday and later Tuesday with members of the France-Sri Lankan friendship association at the Sri Lankan embassy.

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#90296d5060 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 23) - The Khmer Rouge has warned foreign governments and companies against passing agreements with Phnom Penh, saying such accords would not be recognized when an interim authority of the warring factions takes over.

The warning came in a statement issued here Tuesday by the Beijing-backed Marxist Khmer Rouge, the dominant faction in a guerrilla coalition fighting Phnom Penh's Vietnam-installed government.

The statement mentioned no specific country or firm.

But analysts said it could be aimed at countries such as France which recently

announced a bilateral cooperation package with Phnom Penh, or airlines which have decided to open direct airlinks with the Cambodian capital.

"Any agreement or treaty signed with the puppet regime installed in Phnom Penh by the Vietnamese occupying forces is null and void," the statement said.

The statement was issued by the ministry of foreign affairs of the National Government of Cambodia - the formal name for the guerrilla coalition in which the foreign ministry is held by Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Samphan.

It said the only recognised accords would be those signed with the interim authority, the Supreme National Council (SNC) "under the chairmanship of Samdech (Prince) Norodom Sihanouk," the nominal head of the coalition.

Cambodia's warring factions accepted last month a United Nations framework to end their 12-year-old war and set up the SNC with six representatives of Phnom Penh and six others from the coalition.

But they have since been squabbling over the inclusion of Prince Sihanouk as chairman of the body.

The prince, Cambodia's former monarch, is both head of the Khmer Rouge-dominated coalition and the leader of one of two non-communist factions.

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#90296d5090 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (OCT. 23) - An unemployed 26-year-old Zimbabwean has been jailed for eight years for spying for the South African government on the African National Congress in a sensitive border region dividing the two countries, it was reported here Tuesday.

Ziana, Zimbabwe's national news agency, said that Lovejoy Ndou pleaded guilty before a magistrate in the western city of Bulawayo to having reported to South african military commanders that there were Anc personnel in the remote Shashi district in the south-western corner of Zimbabwe in April this year.

South Africa until recently had complained frequently that Zimbabwe allowed Anc guerrillas to deploy from the Shashi area into South Africa for attacks and sabotage, but President Robert Mugabe's government has denied the charge. Ndou's testimony is a rare admission that the Anc has stationed personnel in the area.

Ndou pleaded with Magistrate Wilbert Mapombere to give him a chance, and said he was able to provide authorities with the identities of other Zimbabweans who had also been recruited by South Africa for espionage, but his plea appeared to have been ignored and Mapombere passed the maximum sentence permissable by his court.

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#90296d5170 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) - Many hospitals and clinics are refusing to perform abortions on women infected with the AIDS virus or are charging exhorbitant rates for the procedure, it was reported Tuesday.

Citing a study by the New York City Commission on Human Rights, The New York Times reported that undercover investigators called 50 clinics and hospitals that offer abortions and made appointments for the procedure.

But 20 of the clinics cancelled when informed the prospective patient tested positive for the HIV virus responsible for AIDS. One private hospital hiked the 500 dollar fee to 3,000 dollars to perform the abortion.

Clinics refusing to perform the abortions cited the lack of appropriate sterilization equipment and inexperience in treating AIDS patients.

"That's nonsense and a flimsy excuse," said Hakim Elahi, medical director of Planned Parenthood of New York, which performs 10,000 abortions annually.

"The procedure is no different if a patient is HIV-positive. They are supposed to follow unviersal blood precautions regardless. And sterilization of equipment is in no way special," Dr. Elahi said.

The inability of AIDS patients to get medical care has been repeated in the offices of dentists, proctologists and surgeons, the newspaper reported.

Bernard McNamara, chairman of the AIDS Committee of the Los Angeles County Medical Society, said their concerns are out of proportion to the risk.

But the problem for women seeking abortions is that there is a 30 to 40 per cent chance that an HIV-infected woman will pass the virus on to her child.

"The reason they're concerned is that there is a very small, but finite, risk of a surgeon being exposed. But precautions can be taken, and I don't think that risk justifies turning people away," Dr. McNamara said.

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#90296d5220 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAMPALAKHARTOUM (OCT. 23) - Libyan Revolutionary leader Moamer Gaddafi arrived Tuesday in the Ugandan capital Kampala for a surprise visit after a four-day stay in war-torn Sudan.

Unconfirmed reports said Gaddafi was to meet with Rwandan rebels who on October 4 attacked Kigali, the capital of their country, from bases in Uganda.

Libya has been giving financial aid to Uganda to help rebuild its economy shattered by a past civil war. Official in Kampala were tight-lipped about Gadaffi's plans in Uganda.

Gaddafi arrived in the East African state with about 200 body guards, while several transport aircrafts landed in Kampala with military vehicles for his guards and a bullet-proof limousine.

In Khartoum, Gaddafi pledged to meet the leader of the rebel Sudan People's Liberation Army (Spla), Colonel John Garang, to convince him to end his rebellion, the Sudan News Agency Suna reported.

It quoted him as saying before leaving the country that if Garang was still a revolutionary, he would participate in the ''people's rule which all revolutionaries support''.

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#90296d5250 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Vienna (OCT. 23) - The democratisation process in Eastern Europe is the key to solving the critical environmental problems that blight that region, the head of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe said Tuesday at the outset of an unprecedented all-European parliamentary conference in Vienna.

Anders Bjoerck said the environment must be viewed as ''a major portion of the human-rights'' issues facing Eastern Europe.

''Rapic democratisation'' is a precondition for improving the environmental situation there, he told the opening session of the conference, which runs through Thursday.

Austrian Chancellor Franz Vranitzky called for an international environmental charta to combat such things as the devastation of tropical rain forests.

He also called on industrialised countries to abandon their ''school-masterly attitude'' toward developing countries and to shift the emphasis to eliminating poverty and indebtedness as a step toward helping those countries improve the environment.

In related developments, a report issued in London Tuesday said oil pollution of global oceans has receded by 60 per cent over the last decade. The report by the U.N. International Maritime Organization (Imo) said 568,800 tons of oil was spilled worldwide in 1989, compared with 1.47 million tons in 1981.

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#90296d5400 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ZANZlBAR (OCT. 23) - Belgium stepped up pressure Tuesday on the Rwandan government and invading rebels to hold political dialogue when Prime Minister Wilfried Martens held four hours of talks here with Tanzanian President Ali Hassan Mwinyi.

In a joint communique, they called on the Rwandan authorities and the internal and external opposition to enter into peace talks under Organisation of African Unity auspices.

They also asked OAU secretary-general Salim Salim to bring pressure to bear for the entire enactment of an outline peace agreement worked out a week ago by the Rwandan and Ugandan leaders Juvenal Habyarimana and Yoweri Museveni.

It includes a cease-fire, negotiations with the Patriotic Front rebels who attacked from Uganda three weeks ago, the return home of Rwandan refugees, and a regional conference on Rwanda.

Mr. Martens and Mr. Mwinyi said they supported those proposals. They also welcomed a message from the rebel executive committee that it would obsserve a cease-fire for up to three weeks.

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#90296d5480 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA (OCT. 23) - The Warsaw Pact summit, which was to be held in Budapest on November 3 and 4, has been postponed, according to a Bulgarian Foreign Ministry official.

Foreign Ministry Eastern European department head Ivan Katrandjiev said the decision had been taken at the Soviet Union's request.

In Prague, the Czechoslovakian foreign ministry confirmed that Moscow had requested the postponement, and said a new date was being discussed.

Sources in Sofia said that Moscow would prefer to hold the session after the meeting in Paris from November 19 to 21 of the 34-member Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE), which is to discuss the question of a new European order.

The Budapest meeting of the Warsaw Pact had been expected to confirm the organization's transition from a military to a political alliance.

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#90296d5500 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 23) - Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas will travel to Paris on Monday to meet his French counterpart to pave the way for a series of meetings on Cambodia before the end of the year, diplomatic sources said here

Tuesday.

Mr. Alatas's talks with Roland Dumas are expected to result in the reconvening of the International Paris Conference in Jakarta between now and the end of the year or at the beginning of next year, the Indonesian and Western sources said.

An initial eight- or 10-day meeting has been scheduled for the beginning of November in Jakarta with a second to be held in Paris later in the same month, Indonesian sources said.

According to observers, the first meeting could not stretch beyond November 10 on account of Mr. Alatas's full schedule, which sees him leaving for Japan on November 11.

Nobody was in a position to comment Tuesday on either the nature of the future meetings or who would participate in them.

The same source said the main issue was to get together the six countries which run the three commissions, set up by the Paris Conference co-chaired by Indonesia and France in 1989: Australia, Canada, India, Japan, Laos and Malaysia.

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#90296d5580 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (OCT. 23) - Government troops have taken control of an area of 40 square kilometers held by Tamil rebels in northern Sri Lanka, a senior military official said Tuesday.

Journalists who were flown to the Palaly area on the northern peninsula were told by the officer in charge of northern operations, Major General Denzil Kobbekaduwa, that the area has now been cleared of the rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam.

The operation was part of a major offensive launched last week in the strategic region, 18 kilometers from the northern provincial capital of Jaffna.

There were no civilians left in the area from Palaly to Kankesanthurai, a distance of 4 kilometers, the officer said. All but a few houses in the area had been pulled down during the operation.

The general claimed that the civilians had fled the area before the operation commenced and that there were no civilian casualties.

The cement factory in Kankesanthurai was extensively damaged, and journalists were not permitted to enter it because it was believed the buildings were heavily mined.

Kobbekaduwa said 119 Tamil rebels had been killed in the operation. Twenty soldiers were also killed and 117 others injured, he added. The officer said that over 1,000 troops were involved in the operation against about 2,000 Tamil rebels in the area.

He said the main reason for the operation was to clear a strategic supply route in the vicinity of the Palaly military camp and air base and the Kankesanthurai harbour area.

Sniper fire was heard even as journalists toured the harbour area, and it was estimated that Tamil rebels were about 150 meters away. The troops have cleared the area up to the harbour so far.

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#90296d5660 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 23) - France sold Saudi Arabia six Super Puma helicopters and about 20 fast patrol boats at the beginning of October for fast delivery and for a sum believed to be one billion francs (about 200 million dollars), informed sources said here on Tuesday.

The contract succeeded a previous sale of helicopters and fast patrol boats two years ago, the sources said.

The Super Puma were built by Aerospatiale, and the boats by Simonneau Marine International. Both were fitted with 20 millimetre guns made by Giat Industries.

France, which in 1989 initialled an agreement with saudi Arabia, hopes to sell Saudi Arabia three frigates.

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#90296d5680 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Madrid (OCT. 23) - The Moroccan imam, or religious leader, of an Islamic community in Madrid and a Moroccan Arabic teacher were found here Tuesday murdered with an axe, police said.

The mutilated bodies of Imam Hamed Zebeka, 63, and teacher Tami Aziz, 47, were lying in a warehouse used as a mosque.

Police said a letter found nearby claimed responsibility. The murderer claimed to have been persecuted by the Moroccan state and admitted to being a drug addict. The nationality of the anonymous writer was not clear.

The Moroccan embassy in Madrid said the murder was the act of a mentally sick person.

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#90296d5850 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT 23) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward Copper 1,388.50 (1,387.00) 1,374.50 (1,364.50) Lead 380.00 (375.50) 384.50 (379.75) Zinc Sh 1,337.50 (1,347.50) 1,336.50 (1,343.50) Tin 6,285.00 (6,210.00) 6,285.00 (6,225.00) Aluminium 1,925.50 (1,880.50) 1,789.00 (1,769.00) Nickel 9,050.00 (8,925.00) 8,662.50 (8,562.50) (Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90296d5860 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRETORIA (OCT. 23) - Claims that police stopped the residents of a waterless black township using nearby taps, even slashing their water carriers, will be probed at senior level, South Africa's top policeman said Tuesday.

General Johan van der Merwe ordered the investigation after residents of Wesselton black township claimed that police last week stopped them fetching water after the local white council in Ermelo in the eastern Transvaal had cut essential services to the township in retaliation against a rent boycott.

He warned of the "strongest possible steps" against any policeman found guilty but said that "so far, not a single shred of evidence to back these allegations has emerged."

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#90296d5920 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (OCT. 23) - The Iraqi parliament Tuesday announced that it had approved the release of all French nationals held in Iraq and Kuwait.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had asked the National Council, or parliament, to consider the release of French citizens in response to what he said was France's rejection of U.S. policies in the Gulf.

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#90296d6180 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TUNIS (OCT 23) - New chiefs of mission for the Arab League's offices abroad were approved Tuesday at the end of the 94th ordinary session of the League's council here.

The new ambassadors for the Arab League are diplomats hailing from Algeria,

Djibouti, Egypt, Somalia, Mauritania and Yemen.

The council, made up of the permanent representatives of the member countries, also approved a budget of 27 million dollars for the pan-Arab organisation for the year to come.

The issue of restoring Arab League headquarters from Tunis to Cairo was referred to a later council meeting to be held at foreign minister level. Mauritania, Morocco, Algeria, Libya, Tunisia and Iraq have protested at this move in separate memoranda.

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#90296d6260 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HAMBURG (OCT 23) - General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) Director-General Arthur Dunkel warned here Tuesday against a failure of the present talks to liberalise world trade.

Dunkel told a gathering of Hamburg businessmen that a break-up of the present Uruguay Round of trade talks, which opened four years ago and is due to end in early December, would hit all Gatt members.

The European Community's failure to produce a common stance on cutting farm subsidues is threatening to torpedo the talks. The issue is only one of 15 sectors negotiated at the Uruguay Round which is held within the Gatt framework.

Dunkel said Germany as as a major world exporting nation bore a special responsibility.

Britain Monday blamed Germany for the failure of E.C. foreign ministers talks in Luxembourg on the issue. Italy, which currently chairs the E.C., warned that any further delay to produce a common negotiating formula might result in a break-up of the Uruguay Round.

Germany opposes the E.C. Commission proposal for a 30-per-cent cut in farm subsidies, saying it fails to provide compensation for farmers which will suffer as a result of the cuts.

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#90296d6460 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LIMA (OCT 23) - Peru's state-run airline AeroPeru will be partially privatized within the next four months, its president Rodolfo Elmore announced here Tuesday.

Forty percent of AeroPeru will be sold in auction to foreign companies, another 20 percent, to Peruvian enterprises, with the remaining 40 percent

staying under government control, Mr. Elmore said.

The company, he added, is currently streamlining its operations.

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#90296d6470 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 23) - An Iranian member of an opposition monarchist group was shot and killed Tuesday here by unidentified killers, authorities said.

Cyrus Elahi, 46, was a leading member of the Organisation of Iran's Flag of Freedom, a group set up in 1986. It opposes the Moslem Shiite fundamentlist government in Iran and supports the restauration of the country's deposed monarchy.

The organisation blamed ''terrorists of the Islamic Republic of Iran'' for carrying out the assassination of Elahi, who was a politics lecturer in Iranian and United States universities.

The head of the Moslem Shiite community in Europe, Ayatollah Ruhani, condemned the murder and described it as a ''terrorist action''.

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#90296d6610 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (OCT 23) - Censorship made a comeback in Brazilian television Tuesday after the government decreed that programs must be sanitized of scenes of sex and violence during prime time viewing.

Censorship, which was a staple under decades of dictatorial rule prior to the return to civilian government in 1985, was outlawed in Brazil's 1988 Constitution but was again decreed on Monday and was to go into effect Tuesday.

Freed of censorship in 1988, O Globo and Manchete television networks went into a ratings war in which their prime time soap operas increasingly showed scenes of violence and sexual intimacy, including frontal nude shots of women.

Government officials said the new restrictions were required under the recently adopted Child and Adolescent Protection Statute.

Programming will be banned from prime time if it shows violence or sexual acts or "undermines ethical values," according to the decree.

Programming is now to be divided into categories with racier scenes being shown later at night and with advisories to parents about the contents of the upcoming programs. There are no sanctions for violators.

Under the new system, shows deemed inappropriate for children under 12 must be

shown after 8:00 p.m., programming for those 14 years or older will be shown after 9:00 p.m. and adult entertainment for persons 18 or older must be shown after 11:00 p.m.

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#90296d7840 10/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 23) - A Republican congressman convicted in 1988 of having sex with a 16-year-old girl has decided to resign rather than face charges he sexually harassed a congressional employee, Republican sources said Tuesday.

The latest charge against Donald Lukens of Ohio involved a young woman who said the congressman approached her more than once on the same day, fondled her and gave her his business card, asking her to call him, the sources said.

The woman told her supervisors who brought it to the attention of the House Ethics Committee and House leaders, the sources said. The ethics committee voted Monday to revive its previous case against Mr. Lukens and expand it to include the new charge.

The sources said Mr. Lukens would announce his resignation Wednesday. An aide to the congressman said resignation was one option Mr. Lukens was considering but would not confirm that he had decided to resign.

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#90296e0009 10/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

STOCKHOLM (OCT. 23) EFE - The Swedish car manufacturer Volvo is considering setting up shop in a former Soviet weapons factory which was closed under an arms reduction agreement between the superpowers, a top Volvo official said Tuesday.

The official said the company is studying a Soviet proposal to convert the former arms factory in the town of Cherepovets, east of Leningrad, into a plant with four assembly lines capable of putting together 20,000 cars of the Volvo 240 series a year.

Under the plan, the car parts would be manufactured in Sweden and sent to the Soviet factory for assembly.

The director of Volvo Car Intercontinental, Ralph Johansson, said his company was interested in the idea but the decision would depend on the size of the investment and the taxes it would be required to pay in the Soviet Union.

"The ball is now in the Soviet court," Johansson said.

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#90296e0010 10/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

CADIZ, SPAIN (OCT. 23) EFE - Spanish customs officers have seized 77 exotic birds and other animals from members of a state-funded expedition who have just returned from an environmental and archaeological study trip to Latin America, officials said Tuesday.

The animals, which included Amazonian parrots, toucans, a macaw, a monkey and five stuffed caimans, were confiscated Monday when the expedition's boat docked in the southern port of Cadiz.

Customs officials and members of the Civil Guard's Nature Protection Service said most of the animals, all of protected species, had been bought at markets and that none of the expedition's passengers had obtained permission to take them out of Latin America.

The expedition, known as Adventure '92, was financed by the state's Fifth Centenary Commission which is organizing events to commemorate the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus' discovery of America.

Around 350 youths went on the 45-day trip to Mexico, Puerto Rico and through the Panama Canal, where they took part in ecological and archaeological study projects.

The confiscated animals will be kept at a zoo in the southern city of Jerez de la Frontera until arrangements are completed for them to be shipped back to the countries where they came from.

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#90296e0026 10/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Rio de Janeiro (OCT. 23) EFE - Delegates from Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay and Paraguay attending the meeting in Rio de Janeiro are working towards a preliminary agreement, possibly to be signed in November, which would lay the foundation for a tariff-free regional market, dubbed Mercosur, by 1995.

The talks focus on including Uruguay and Paraguay in a import tariff reduction accord signed by Argentina and Brazil in 1985 as the first step towards setting up Mercosur.

According to Brazilian delegate Celso Amorin, the four countries have agreed in principle to the formation of the common market but many technical problems still have to be worked out because of the differences in their economies.

Delegates to the meeting said that the more diversified economies of Brazil and Argentina would reap more short-term benefits from Mercosur than Uruguay and Paraguay.

Mercosur, whose headquarters may be in the Uruguayan capital of Montevideo,

would establish common import tarifs for non-member countries and a joint organization to resolve trade disputes.

Earlier this year, Chile rejected the possibility of entering the proposed common market in the short term because it felt its economy was more advanced than the other four countries.

Delegates from the four countries met for the first time for talks on setting up Mercosur earlier this month.

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#90296e0031 10/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (OCT. 23) EFE - Share prices rose sharply on the Madrid stock exchange Tuesday with the general index jumping 6.38 points to close at 241.08.

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#90296e0041 10/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

GUATEMALA CITY (OCT 23) EFE - Guatemala's Roman Catholic Church Tuesday urged former military dictator Gen. Efrain Rios Montt to back off from his attempts to disrupt next's month presidential race because it could provoke a coup.

Guatemalan Archbishop Prospero Penados del Barrio said Tuesday, "in the name of peace in Guatemala, as a friend and Guatemalan, I ask Gen. Rios Montt to desist from attitudes that confront and polarize our people" because "it could bring about a coup."

Rios Montt has called on his supporters to write his name on ballot papers after the Constitutional Court upheld previous court decisions barring him from running in the November 11 presidential elections under a constitutional clause banning anyone from holding office who has taken part in a coup.

The former military dictator seized power in a 1982 coup and ruled for 16 months during the Army's brutal counter-insurgency campaign against leftist rebels before he himself was ousted by a military coup.

Penados del Barrio said it was possibile that the retired general could disrupt the elections and bring about a military intervention if the civilian government lost control because he is "a charismatic man" who "has sympathizers in part of the military as well as power over the urban masses."

Rios Montt was creating a dangerous situation by inciting "a sector of the population which will not respect laws, anything or anyone," the archbishop added.

The former military ruler, who was pipped to win next month's election by opinion polls, has also said that violence could break out if he were not

allowed to run for president.

"It is stubbornness on (Rios Montt's) part that he has run the whole legal course from the Supreme Electoral Tribunal to the Supreme Court and Constitutional Court with negative results yet still insists on something that cannot be," Penados del Barrio said.

The run-up to the November ballot has been plagued by violence with at least 11 leading political party members murdered since July.

Guatemala has a history of coups, with no successive democratically-elected governments in the past 35 years.

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#90296f1854 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 23) UPI - Soybeans rallied to session highs during the final 30 minutes of trading and were higher at the close Tuesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Grain futures were mixed.

Most of the buying in soybeans was attributed to short-covering and reports of a move in Congress to delay the ''triple base'' option program until 1992.

Aggressive buying in soybean oil provided additional support for soybeans, along with minor gains in soymeal. However, heavy delivery notices against October meal kept a lid on prices.

Corn was higher across the board, partly on spillover from the soy complex. Trading ranges were narrow and the volume was relatively light.

Wheat was pressured by light commercial selling and the lack of near- term export business.

Gains in both corn and soybeans were limited by the harvest, and the likelihood that the activity will continue the rest of the week. The extended weather outlook calls for generally favorable conditions next week in the Midwest.

Country movement was light to moderate.

At the close, corn was up 3/4 to 1 1/2, soybeans up 2 to 8, wheat up 1/2 to off 1 and oats off 1/4 to up 1/4.

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#90296h0023 10/23/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WARSAW (OCT. 22) XINHUA - POLAND AND ARGENTINA WILL INCREASE THEIR COOPERATION PROGRAMS OF PERSONNEL EXCHANGES AND ECONOMIC RESEARCH, THE PRESIDENTS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES NOTED HERE TODAY.

HEADS OF STATE WOJCIECH JARUZELSKI AND CARLOS SAUL MENEM REACHED AN AGREEMENT ON THE EXEMPTION OF VISAS FOR TOURISTS WANTING TO VISIT THE OTHER'S COUNTRY, AND EXCHANGED DIPLOMATIC NOTES, PAP REPORTED.

MENEM ARRIVED IN THE POLISH CAPITAL TODAY ON AN WORKING VISIT AT THE INVITATION OF PRESIDENT JARUZELSKI. IT IS THE FIRST VISIT TO POLAND BY ANY LATIN AMERICAN LEADER IN NEARLY A DECADE.

LOCAL REPORTS SAID THAT MENEM'S VISIT WILL NOT ONLY STRENGTHEN POLISH-ARGENTINE TIES, BUT WILL ALSO HAVE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE EUROPEAN NATION'S RELATIONS WITH OTHER LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES.

MENEM MET WITH PRIME MINISTER TADEUSZ MAZOWIECKI AND LEADERS OF THE POLISH SEJM, OR PARLIAMENT, AND DISCUSSED WAYS TO TACKLE THE PROBLEMS OF MASSIVE FOREIGN DEBTS AND INFLATION, TWO HURDLES COMMON TO BOTH NATIONS.

ACCOMPANYING MENEM DURING HIS STAY IN POLAND ARE 30 ARGENTINE INDUSTRIALISTS WHO ARE SCHEDULED TO MEET WITH THEIR POLISH COUNTERPARTS. OFFICIALS HERE ARE REPORTED TO BE HOPING THAT THEIR MEETING WILL BRING FRUITFUL RESULTS.

EXPERTS FROM BOTH SIDES STUDIED TRADE ISSUES SUCH AS THE ELIMINATION OF DOUBLE TARIFFS AND THE PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT IN EACH OTHERS COUNTRY, AND ANALYSTS SAY A DOCUMENT ON THEIR FINDINGS IS LIKELY TO EMERGE.

A COMMENTARY CARRIED BY THE RZECZYPOSPOLITA NEWSPAPER URGED THE POLISH GOVERNMENT TO ATTACH IMPORTANCE TO ARGENTINA'S POSITION AND DRAW VALUABLE LESSONS FROM THE ARGENTINE APPROACH," BECAUSE THE TWO COUNTRIES SHARE MANY THINGS IN COMMON IN THE ECONOMIC REALM.

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#90296h0047 10/23/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (OCT. 23) XINHUA - BOTSWANA PRESIDENT QUETT MASIRE LEFT HERE THIS MORNING FOR MAPUTO FOR A FOUR-DAY STATE VISIT TO MOZAMBIQUE.

PRESIDENT MASIRE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY HIS WIFE GLADYS, FOREIGN MINISTER GAOSITWE CHIEPE AND OTHER SENIOR OFFICIALS.

OFFICIAL SOURCES HERE TOLD XINHUA THAT PRESIDENT MASIRE AND HIS MOZAMBICAN COUNTERPART JOAQUIM CHISSANO WOULD DISCUSS THEIR INTERNAL ISSUES, INCLUDING MULTI-PARTY SYSTEM, AND THE SITUATION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

THIS IS DR. MASIRE'S FIRST STATE VISIT TO MOZAMBIQUE AND WILL HELP STRENGTHEN POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, SAID THE SOURCES.

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20/20 (ABC) October 12, 1990 (Transcript #1041)

''Easy Money'' (how Philadelphia and New York transit systems handle false injury claims); ''Campaign Against Professor Cole'' (how The Dartmouth Review, a conservative, off-campus college newspaper, hounded a tenured professor out of Dartmouth College); ''Roseanne and Tom'' (profile of Roseanne Barr and her husband Tom Arnold).

60 Minutes (CBS) October 14, 1990 (Transcript #2305)

''Teddy Kolleck of Jerusalem'' (the difficult job of being Mayor of Jerusalem); ''The Chief'' (the police chief of Brockton, Massachusetts, faces up to his cocaine addiction); ''Aretha'' (a profile of singer Aretha Franklin); ''A Few Minutes With Andy Rooney'' (getting started is half the battle).

Adam Smith's Money World October 12, 1990 (Transcript #702)

Gulf Crisis: Oil, Money and Power: The price of oil has doubled since Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait in early August, and recently it hit an all-time high; this volatile commodity has caused turmoil throughout the world and consumers are losing money to the oil exporters. mostly in the Middle East.

Business World (ABC) October 14, 1990 (Transcript #206)

Financial crises in cities across the country reach critical and epidemic proportions; guest Felix Rohayton comments on the state of New York City's finances and what the situation means for the economy of the country in general; junk-bond king Michael Milken's influence on the savings and loan debacle; an examination of the incredible benefits offered by Fel-Pro, a small Midwest auto part manufacturer.

Crossfire (CNN) October 12, 1990 (Transcript #160)

The Best Schools Money Can Buy: California Superintendent of Public Schools Bill Honig and John Chubb, author of Politics, Markets and Schools, discuss a new plan whereby parents could choose what public school their children would attend.

Donahue October 12, 1990 (Transcript #3054)

Nashville Mayor's Public Love Life: Bill Boner, the controversial, harmonica-playing Mayor of Nashville, Tennessee, and Traci Peel, his new country singer wife, tell their side of the story amidst the local media frenzy over their relationship and the Mayor's somewhat eccentric public behavior.

Evans & Novak (CNN) October 13, 1990 (Transcript #30)

The Gulf Crisis and Arab-Israeli Conflict: Egyptian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Botrous Ghali and Johanan Bein, Israel's Ambassador to the United Nations, discuss the new Israeli-Palestinian crisis.

Geraldo October 12, 1990 (Transcript #802)

Male Vanity: Men who have had plastic surgery, men who have been in pageants, a cosmetic surgeon, two bodybuilders and fashion designers discuss why men are becoming more aware of their need to feel good about themselves, their looks and their clothing.

Good Morning America (ABC) October 12, 1990 (Transcript #1130)

The budget debate; new research on coffee; South African exile returns; Alex Haley's American roots; Leonard Maltin interview; travel slump; Memphis Belle review; six-hour house; Jay Leno interview; ''Down to Earth'': ecological laundry; Wolfgang Puck's dessert.

Health Show (ABC) October 14, 1990 (Transcript #182)

''Dr. Joseph Murray, Nobel Prizewinner'' (kidney transplant pioneer receives 1990 Prize for Medicine); ''Dr. Donnall Thomas, Nobel Prizewinner'' (bone marrow transplant pioneer receives 1990 Prize for Medicine); ''Proposed Medicare Cuts Hit Poor Elderly Hard'' (planned increases in the premium and deductible hurt poor people on limited and fixed incomes); ''New Drugs from Blue-Green Algae?'' (researchers look for healing properties in very simple organisms); ''Hospital Show-and-Tell Teaches Kids'' (Tennessee schoolchildren lessen their fear with operating room demonstrations in the classroom).

Health Week (CNN) October 14, 1990 (Transcript #36)

''Transplants'' (Nobel Prize for Medicine goes to two American doctors who laid the foundations of organ-transplant surgeries); ''Transplant Drugs''

(Cyclosporin); ''Liver Rescue'' (Cyclosporin alternative helps save threatened operations); ''AIDS Drugs'' (Kemron, from Kenya, and Interferon); ''Pregnancy Stress'' (new study on working while pregnant); ''Meningitis Vaccine'' (HibTiter vaccine is first approved for infants in 28 years).

Inside Albany October 14, 1990 (Transcript #206)

''Larkin vs. Gray'' (a Senate race with high stakes in Orange and Ulster counties); ''Republicans Declare Cease-Fire'' (stop shooting at ach other long enough to hold a unity rally); ''Smith Uses Brawley Case Against Abrams'' (race for Attorney General heats up).

Inside Business (CNN) October 14, 1990 (Transcript #41)

Two weeks into the new fiscal year, the U.S. government still has not adopted a budget. Why? And what's wrong with the process? Also, federal budget cuts could mean higher state taxes -- a discussion of the hidden costs of reducing the deficit.

Larry King Live (CNN) October 12, 1990 (Transcript #149)

''Nadia Comaneci'' (discusses her past and her recent defection from Romania); ''Joe Piscopo'' (talks about his upcoming HBO Special and his nomination to the Broadcasting Hall of Fame); ''Jaclyn Smith'' (discusses her roles in two upcoming mini-series and her fashion designs).

Like It Is (WABC-TV) October 14, 1990 (Transcript #785)

Journalists Discuss the State of New York City: Andrew Cooper of The City Sun, Wayne Barrett of The Village Voice, Dominic Carter of WLIB-AM and Joe Bragg of WRKS-FM discuss New York City and the performance of its main executive, Mayor David Dinkins.

Moneyline (CNN) October 12, 1990 (Transcript #204)

Silver hits a 14-year low, which could be another bad sign for the economy; Valley Manufacturing, the casino and fitness company suspended payments on its dividend and said it will miss an interest payment for its Nevada casinos; Northrop Corporation asks the Pentagon for a second chance; Myron Kandel shares his worries about next week's Treasury refunding; General Electric attempts to muscle in on the multibillion dollar plastics industry with a new product.

Moneyweek (CNN) October 13, 1990 (Transcript #41)

Congress postpones automatic spending cuts; investors are selling, raising

cash for uncertain times; Saddam Hussein issued more threats, specifically against Israel; oil prices followed war rumors up and down; corporate earnings sputtered, along with the economy; inflation soared in September, but the bigger worry now for the economy is recession.

Newsmaker Saturday (CNN) October 13, 1990 (Transcript #30)

Bush's Budget Blues: Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell and Secretary of the Treasury Nicholas Brady discuss the failure of the budget summitry between the White House and Congress and possible ways to proceed.

Newsmaker Sunday (CNN) October 14, 1990 (Transcript #30)

Budget and Backlash: Way and Means Committee Chairman Dan Rostenkowski and Governor Douglas Wilder of Virginia discuss the soap-opera style battle over the budget and the Federal deficit.

Nightline (ABC) October 12, 1990 (Transcript #2450)

The State of the U.S. Economy: Rep. Richard Armey (R-TX), Robert Reich of Harvard University and Robert Kuttner of The New Republic discuss the recession of the U.S. economy due to domestic economics -- a huge deficit, the cost of federal borrowing, the S&L scandal and more, even without the added push of the Persian Gulf Crisis and huge rise in oil prices.

Oprah Winfrey Show October 12, 1990 (Transcript #1065)

Back-Stabbing Best Friends: Guests who were betrayed are reunited with their best friends. Psychologist Andrea Van Steenhouse guides feuding friends through the hazards and rewards of friendships.

Pinnacle (CNN) October 13, 1990 (Transcript #41)

Donald M. Kendall (PepsiCo): The Executive Committee Chairman for PepsiCo discusses his career and how he turned an also-ran in the soft drink industry into one of the biggest consumer products conglomerates, with worldwide sales. He talks about the influence of his early life on a dairy farm in Washington state, his children and family life.

Sally Jessy Raphael October 12, 1990 (Transcript #550)

Healing the Child Within: Family counselor and lecturer John Bradshaw talks about healing oneself from a painful childhood, sharing his feelings about his own imperfect childhood and his experiences with the healing process. The audience participates in several exercises, including writing letters to their parents, expressing their unfulfilled childhood needs.

Science & Technology Week (CNN) October 14, 1990 (Transcript #36)

A new kind of dental X-ray that provides instantaneous, easy- to-see pictures with less radiation exposure for patients; researchers are finding out what it takes to maintain a healthy herd of Alaskan musk oxen; a computer model of a wetland area that tells scientists how the real ones will fare in the future.

This Week with David Brinkley (ABC) October 14, 1990 (Transcript #468)

''Bentsen's Budget Proposal'' (the Democratic Chairman of Finance comes up with a budget plan that both the President and Congress could accept); ''Israeli Violence'' (the United Nations, with the support of the U.S., votes to condemn Israel for the killing of 21 Palestinians at a Moslem holy place in Jerusalem).

Wall Street Journal Report October 14, 1990 (Transcript #420)

How to chart your finances with a forecast of recession; French wines found with residue of Japanese fungicide being tested by FDA; Japanese influence on baseball; preplanning your own funeral.

Washington Week in Review (WETA) October 12, 1990 (Transcript #133)

Continuing Chaos Over the Budget Deficit Plan: More chaos and confusion in Washington over the budget crisis -- this week Republicans are fighting Republicans, Democrats are struggling for party unity and everyone is faulting the President for sending confusing signals over taxes and spending.

A World of Ideas with Bill Moyers October 14, 1990 (Transcript #232)

Richard Rodriguez (Part 2): The second part of a conversation with the writer, in which he discusses death, sorrow, Velveeta cheese, moving from a minority culture into the mainstream, and the difference between the American ideal and the reality of living in the United States.

Your Money (CNN) October 13, 1990 (Transcript #41)

There are few safe havens left for investors; pessimistic mutual fund industry forecast; trading up to a gold card; insurance coverage for leased cars (gap insurance).

Monday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: I'm Raising My Kids to Be Racists Sally Jessy Raphael: Marilyn Quayle: How I Beat Cancer Geraldo: Female Bodybuilders Oprah Winfrey: How to Communicate With Your Mate

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American Experience (WGBH) October 15, 1990 (Transcript #302)

Nixon - The Quest, Triumph, the Fall: A three-hour portrait of Richard M. Nixon's life and political career up until his resignation from the Presidency in August 1974. The first hour sketches his childhood in Yorba Linda, California, his election to the House in 1946, and his unsuccessful bids for the Presidency in 1960 and California governorship in 1962. The second hour tells of his narrow defeat of Hubert Humphrey in the 1968 Presidency race, how he reshaped America's global strategy in bold overtures to the Soviet Union and China, and how he won a landslide reelection in 1972 despite the Vietnam War and violence on college campuses. The final hour chronicles his fall from grace brought on by the Watergate scandal.

Crossfire (CNN) October 15, 1990 (Transcript #161)

Is Insurance a Risky Business?: Public Citizen President Joan Claybrook and Sean Mooney of the Insurance Information Institute discuss Public Citizen's recent report questioning the fiscal soundness of the insurance industry.

Donahue October 15, 1990 (Transcript #3055)

I'm Raising My Kids to Be Racists: Three couples who are racists and proud of it display their children and describe how they are raising them to follow their beliefs.

Geraldo October 15, 1990 (Transcript #803)

Women's Bodybuilding: Female bodybuilders discuss sweat, sex, stigma and steroids. They talk about their rigorous training and the special diets they maintain.

Good Morning America (ABC) October 15, 1990 (Transcript #1131)

Leonard Bernstein remembered (Isaac Stern); private peace mission to the Middle East; World Series preview; safety first quiz; Meryl Streep interview; more memories of Bernstein (Carol Lawrence); risk of death in sports; Jane Goodall interview; transplanting a perennial; Pam Dawber's hero (Allen Davidson).

Larry King Live (CNN) October 15, 1990 (Transcript #150)

''Would War With Iraq Be Morally Justified?'' (two clerics - one Protestant, one Jewish - debate the morality of U.S. involvement in a war in the Persian Gulf); ''Walter Cronkite'' (discusses his career in journalism).

Moneyline (CNN) October 15, 1990 (Transcript #205)

Oil prices plunge; unusually warm weather in the Northeast cuts the demand for heating oil, and buyers sell off; do credit unions have unfair advantage over banks?; Milken awaiting sentencing; Boeing gets biggest order ever from UAL; weakness in the insurance industry; the last of a dozen House committees finished slashing away at expenditures, and the Budget Committee packaged the results; the Japanese computer market; Apple and Compaq unveil laptops.

Nightline (ABC) October 15, 1990 (Transcript #2451)

Mikhail Gorbachev Awarded Nobel Peace Prize: Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Vladymir Petrovsky, Foreign Affairs Editor William Hyland and David Shipler of Princeton University discuss today's award honoring amazing changes in the Soviet Union and its satellites, as well as criticism of Gorbachev's popularity and internal economic problems.

Oprah Winfrey Show October 15, 1990 (Transcript #1066)

How to Communicate to Your Mate: Couples discuss their frustrations with marital communication with Dr. Deborah Tannen, author of You Just Don't Understand: Women and Men in Conversation, who offers advice on how to bridge the marital communication gap.

Sally Jessy Raphael October 15, 1990 (Transcript #551)

Marilyn Quayle - How I Beat Cancer: The Vice President's wife discusses her mother's death from breast cancer and her own successful bout with the disease. She also talks about her childhood and marriage to Dan Quayle, and

advises women and men to get regular examinations for cancer.

Tuesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Justine Bateman, Janine Turner and John Cryer Sally Jessy Raphael: My Sister Is a Tramp Geraldo: Your Neighbor... The Murderer (R) Oprah Winfrey: Haircut Horror Stories

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Crossfire (CNN) October 16, 1990 (Transcript #162)

Read Their Lips: Minority Whip Rep. Newt Gingrich (R-GA) and Rep. Charles Schumer (D-NY) of the House Budget Committee discuss the latest Democratic budget proposal and possible alternatives.

Donahue October 16, 1990 (Transcript #3056)

Janine Turner, Jon Cryer and Justine Bateman: The director and stars of a new Off-Broadway production of Jules Feiffer's play Carnal Knowledge talk about the differences between the play and the movie and its relevance to today's audiences.

Frontline (PBS) October 16, 1990 (Transcript #901)

When Cops Go Bad: The war on drugs is having an unintended side effect -

police corruption. The vast amounts of money and drugs seized by police are proving too great a temptation for some police officers in large and small municipalities around the country. Police indictments for drug-related corruption are examined in Miami, Los Angeles and Sea Girt, New Jersey.

Geraldo October 16, 1990 (Transcript #804)

When the Murderer is Your Neighbor (Repeat-#684): A father whose daughter was murdered by a neighbor tells the difficulty not only for his family, but for the whole neighborhood in having a neighbor who's a murderer. Several neighbors of others murderers, including two neighbors of John List, discuss living in the neighborhood and never suspecting that their neighbor was a murderer.

Good Morning America (ABC) October 16, 1990 (Transcript #1132)

Senior voting power; earthquakes in the East; Martina Navratilova interview; preparing for job loss; Calvin Trillin's rules of life; infertility treatment; Neil Patrick Harris interview; just dessert.

Inside Corporate America (FNN) October 16, 1990 (Transcript #67)

The Home Depot: The Home Depot, which has over 130 retail warehouse stores located throughout the United States, supplies building supplies and home improvement products to the do-it- yourself consumer as well as home remodeling professionals. Last year the company stocks were 3 for 2, and accrued a resultant 50 percent divided increase.

Larry King Live (CNN) October 16, 1990 (Transcript #151)

''A Report on Iraq'' (journalist Carl Bernstein and Sheik Saud Nasir al-Sabah, Kuwaiti Ambassador to the U.S.); ''Agoraphobia'' (a discussion of the types of panic disorders, their symptoms and available treatments).

Nova (WGBH) October 16, 1990 (Transcript #1712)

To Boldly Go...: The space probe Voyager's explorations of the giant cold planets -- Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune -- with the surprise discovery of volcanic activity, geysers and other phenomena.

Nightline (ABC) October 16, 1990 (Transcript #2452)

Bush's Popularity Drops in Face of Crisis: George Bush's approval rating has dropped 19 points in one month. Edward Rollins from the National Republican Congressional Committee, Michael Barone of U.S. News & World Report and Ron Brown, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee discuss the plunge and what the President can do to improve his rating with the American public.

Oprah Winfrey Show October 16, 1990 (Transcript #1067)

Haircut Horror Stories: Angry customers who claim their hair has been chopped up, burned by bad perms and colored everything from purple to green, face off against hair stylists who say they are frustrated with customers who expect them to perform miracles.

Sally Jessy Raphael October 16, 1990 (Transcript #552)

My Sister Is a Tramp: Women who have a lot of boyfriends face off with their sisters, who wish they'd settle down with one man. But they say never; they're enjoying their lifestyle. Dr. Charlotte Kasl, who has done an extensive study of women's sexuality, explains her view that these women are trying to empower themselves in a society where women are usually repressed.

Wednesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Asexuality Sally Jessy Raphael: Girls Obsessed With Their Bodies Geraldo: Teen Extremes Oprah Winfrey: Staying Together for the Children

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South Africa Now (PBS) October 17, 1990 (Transcript #32)

The Afrikaaner Resisitance Movement (AWB) claims it will launch a rebellion against government reforms; Mandela wins the realease of 35 people in Soweto,

as demands for the release of political prisoners lead to more violence; Gregory Rockman, former South African police Lieutenant, discusses the force; black South African businessmen and African-American businessmen meet to discuss new black businesses in South Africa; an in-depth interview with Joe Slovo, General Secretary of the South African Communist Party; South African film depicting black miners' music, as well as the music of the women they've left behind.

Nightline (ABC) October 17, 1990 (Transcript #2453)

The Price of Oil - Who Profits?: Third quarter profits will be embarrassingly enormous, but the oil industry says it's not price-gouging. Senator Joseph Lieberman (D-CT), William O'Keefe of the American Petroleum Institute and oil analyst Bernard Picchi discuss Sen. Lieberman's proposal of a pricing authority similar to the Federal Reserve to replace the speculative market now setting prices.

Crossfire (CNN) October 17, 1990 (Transcript #163)

Gray Power: The Senior Lobby: Paul Hewitt of the National Taxpayers Union and Theresa McKenna of the National Council of Senior Citizens discuss the power of the senior lobby and its role in killing the budget summit plan.

Larry King Live (CNN) October 17, 1990 (Transcript #152)

''Wyley Gates: Guilty or Not Guilty?'' (a discussion concerning Wyley Gates' guilt or innocence in the murder of his family members with attorney Charles Wilcox, and Maime and Pete Brahm, relatives of one of the murder victims); ''John List: A Murderer Captured'' (Ed Illiano, a confidant of one of List's victims, and Joe Sharkey, author of Death Sentence, discuss the case of List, who was captured and convicted 18 years after he murdered his family).

Good Morning America (ABC) October 17, 1990 (Transcript #1133)

Administration's budget view; San Francisco quake, a year later; anti-terrorist ads; Teddy Kollek interview (Mayor of Jerusalem); workaholism; AIDS: a prognosis for America; Steve Martin in Saudi Arabia; plunder of Kuwait's art; Bess Armstrong interview.

Oprah Winfrey Show October 17, 1990 (Transcript #1068)

Staying Together for the Children: Couples debate whether it is better for children to have parents remain together or split up with Dr. Judith Coche and Vicki Lansky, author of Divorce Book for Parents - Helping Your Children Cope With Divorce and Its Aftermath.

Sally Jessy Raphael October 17, 1990 (Transcript #553)

Girls Obsessed With Their Bodies: Thin and attractive teenage girls who believe they are fat and ugly share their reasons for their obsession with their looks. An overweight woman tells them it's more important to cultivate inner beauty than outer beauty; while an image consultant explains that its normal for today's teenagers to feel self-concious.

Geraldo October 17, 1990 (Transcript #805)

Teen Extremes: A debutante, an athlete, a junkie, the class president, a cheerleader, a community service worker, the National Honor Society president, an activist, a punk, a college student, a new waver, a lesbian and an uptown girl discuss their lifestyles and why they enjoy being what they are.

Donahue October 17, 1990 (Transcript #3057)

Asexuality: People who've largely lost the desire for sex try to explore the reasons for their lack of interest and the effect it has on their spouses.

Thursday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Outrage Over Playboy's Campus Centerfolds Sally Jessy Raphael: When Adults Can't Read Geraldo: Hollywood First Wives... Ex-Wives (R) Oprah Winfrey: Ex-Girlfriend Scams (R)

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Nightline (ABC) October 18, 1990 (Transcript #2454)

The Strain in U.S. Israeli Relations: Seymour Reich, Chairman of the Major American Jewish Organizations, former Ambassador to Egypt Roy Atherton and Israeli Minister of Justice Dan Meridor debate how much strain is present in current U.S.-Israeli relations and how it will affect the United States' efforts to hold together a coalition in the Middle East against Iraq.

Crossfire (CNN) October 18, 1990 (Transcript #164)

Fuel on the Mideast Fire: Jean Abinader of the U.S.-Arab Chamber of Commerce and Benny Begin, Israeli Parliament Member discuss Israel's recent refusal to cooperate with a U.N. Investigation of the Temple Mount Massacre and the impact of the massacre on the Persian Gulf Crisis.

Primetime Live (ABC) October 18, 1990 (Transcript #163)

''At What Cost'' (a KGB defector yearns for his family back in Moscow); ''A Fair Share'' (how much do the rich really pay in taxes?); ''Katharine the Great'' (Katharine Hepburn at 80); Also: professional photographers teach their craft to homeless children in Washington.

Sally Jessy Raphael October 18, 1990 (Transcript #554)

When Adults Can't Read: Guests who didn't learn to read until the age of 30 or 40 talk about how they survived in the world, some even prosperously, without being able to read. They discuss what convinced them to learn to read and why they now feel it is one of the most important skills one can have.

Larry King Live (CNN) October 18, 1990 (Transcript #153)

''Chronic Fatigue Syndrome'' (a discussion of the debilitating effects of the syndrome among two sufferers and two doctors who treat it); ''Matthew Lesko: Info-Power'' (the author of Lesko's Info-Power tells how to find resources and information to help in all types of projects).

Good Morning America (ABC) October 18, 1990 (Transcript #1134)

Sen. Phil Gramm (R-TX) and Sen. Ernest Hollings (D-SC) discuss the budget; Dr. Dixie Snider of the Center for Disease Control discusses the rise of resurgence of tuberculosis in the U.S.; Joel Siegel reviews Mr. Destiny; George Washington on trial; interview with Kate Jackson; cougars; interview with James Michener; lingerie; new laws for Oregon.

Donahue October 18, 1990 (Transcript #3058)

The Outrage Over Playboy's Campus Centerfold: Women who posed for Playboy, a professor of women's colleges and Playboy's photo editor discuss how Playboy

depicts women in its centerfolds and the ramifications for women in corporate and public life.

Oprah Winfrey Show October 18, 1990 (Transcript #1069)

Ex-Girlfriend Scams (Repeat-#981): Women who have tried to keep their boyfriends by any means necessary discuss what moves them to play tricks to keep their men.

Geraldo October 18, 1990 (Transcript #806)

Hollywood's First Wives... Ex-Wives (Repeat-#693): The ex-wives of David Bowie Johnny Carson, Jerry Lewis and David Janssen tell about their lives with these well-known stars, what caused their marriages to end and their lives now after divorce.

Friday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Dear Phil (letters from viewers) Sally Jessy Raphael: Susan Lucci Geraldo: The Women of Motown Oprah Winfrey: Compulsive Liars 20/20: MacDonald (murder case); Divorce After 60. 60 Minutes: Iran, Iraq and the U.S.; Blonde Ambition (Vanity Fair editor Tina Brown); Ward 5A (San Francisco General Hospital's AIDS ward).

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Nightline (ABC) October 22, 1990 (Transcript #2456)

Bush Vetoes Civil Rights Bill: Assistant Attorney General John Dunne, NAACP Executive Director Benjamin Hooks and Clarence Page of the Chicago Tribune discuss George Bush's becoming only the third President in history to veto a

civil rights bill as he axes the Civil Rights Act of 1990, passed by Congress and already considered a compromise effort.

Crossfire (CNN) October 22, 1990 (Transcript #166)

License to Kill?: Yale Law School professor Harold Koh and Robert Turner of the University of Virginia Law School discuss the ethics and practicality of U.S. laws against assassination.

Good Morning America (ABC) October 22, 1990 (Transcript #1136)

Budget impasse; ''Bismarck'' found; genetic destruction; World Series heroes; Reversal of Fortune review; autumn in the garden (part 1); George Plimpton interview; Barbara Hershey interview; breast self-exams; safe babysitting.

Larry King Live (CNN) October 22, 1990 (Transcript #155)

A Gingrich/Kennedy Budget Debate: Rep. Joe Kennedy (D-MA) and Rep. Newt Gingrich (R-GA) debate current Congressional budget conflicts.

Donahue October 22, 1990 (Transcript #3060)

Women Who Cheat -- When One Man Isn't Enough: Why do some women feel they need sex with more than one man? Three self-confessed ''cheaters'' and therapist Charlotte Kasl discuss the motivations and consequences of infidelity.

Geraldo October 22, 1990 (Transcript #808)

Killer Kids: A discussion of the number of teenagers who have used guns or been shot by other teens. Experts and family talk about ways to avoid violence and get the kids of today back on track.

Sally Jessy Raphael October 22, 1990 (Transcript #556)

Kids Killing Kids: Guests whose children were shot and killed by other kids whose parents had loaded guns in their homes debate whether citizens should have the right to own guns with Marily Bergum of the National Rifle Association and Mike Beard of the Coalition to Stop Handgun Violence.

Oprah Winfrey Show October 22, 1990 (Transcript #1071)

Perfect Parent Trap: Parents complain that the flood of books and articles intended to provide help for struggling parents is more of a hindrance than a help which leaves them confused and uncertain about their parenting skills. Dr. Ray Guarendi, child psychologist and author of the books, You're a Better Parent Than You Think! and Back to the Family, says that parenting experts do more harm than good while Dr. Carolyn Ann Meeks, author of the book Prescriptions for Parenting, says today's parents need all the help they can

get to avoid the mistakes that their parents made.

Tuesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: American Wife/Saudi Husband: Culture Clash Sally Jessy Raphael: I'm Jealous of My Skinny Wife Geraldo: Children Held Hostage Oprah Winfrey: I Hate My Daughter's Boyfriend

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TOKYO (OCT. 23) KYODO - JAPAN'S FARM OUTPUT ROSE 5.1 PERCENT IN VALUE IN 1989 FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR TO 11,051.3 BILLION YEN FOR THE FIRST UPTURN IN FOUR YEARS, THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, AND FISHERIES SAID TUESDAY.

THE NATION'S TOTAL AGRICULTURAL OUTPUT IS CALCULATED BY MULTIPLYING THE YEAR'S TOTAL OUTPUT OF FARM PRODUCE BY PRODUCER PRICES.

THE MINISTRY SAID JAPANESE FARMERS' ANNUAL INCOME, INCLUDING FARM SUBSIDIES, TOTALED 4,614.0 BILLION YEN, UP 15.3 PERCENT FROM 1988 DUE TO INCREASED SALES PRICES FOR RICE, FRUIT, AND FLOWERS.

THE OUTPUT OF RICE GREW 6.3 PERCENT IN 1989 FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 3,226.6 BILLION YEN, ACCOUNTING FOR 29.2 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL PRODUCTION OF FARM PRODUCTS, THE MINISTRY SAID.

VEGETABLE PRODUCTION INCHED UP 0.8 PERCENT TO 2,321.4 BILLION YEN. FRUIT POSTED A STEADY 15.7 PERCENT GROWTH TO 943.7 BILLION YEN, PARTLY DUE TO HIGHER SALES PRICES. FLOWERS SHOWED 10.7 PERCENT GROWTH TO 320 BILLION YEN.

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TOKYO (OCT. 23) KYODO - THREE MAJOR JAPANESE GAS COMPANIES SAID TUESDAY THEY HAVE CONCLUDED A LONG-TERM TRADE CONTRACT WITH THE INDONESIAN STATE-RUN OIL FIRM PERTAMINA FOR SUPPLY OF LIQUIFIED NATURAL GAS (LNG).

THE CONTRACT TERM BEGINS IN 1994 FOR A PERIOD OF 20 YEARS, ACCORDING TO OFFICIALS OF THE THREE FIRMS -- TOKYO GAS CO., OSAKA GAS CO., AND TOHO GAS CO.

UNDER THE CONTRACT, TOKYO GAS WILL PURCHASE A YEARLY TOTAL OF 800,000 TONS OF LNG, WHILE OSAKA GAS BUYS 1.1 MILLION TONS AND TOHO 100,000 TONS.

IT WAS THE FIRST TRADE CONTRACT FOR TOKYO GAS, WHICH IS BUYING A TOTAL OF 3.89 MILLION TONS WORTH OF LNG ANNUALLY FROM THE UNITED STATES, BURNEI, MALAYSIA, AND AUSTRALIA, TO IMPORT INDONESIAN-PRODUCED LNG.

TO DELIVER THE LNG, THE OFFICIALS SAID, THE JAPANESE FIRMS WILL INVEST A TOTAL OF ABOUT 60 BILLION YEN TO BUILD TWO LNG TANKERS.

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#90296k0058 10/23/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 23) KYODO - SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SHOULD CONTRIBUTE TO CREATING SAFER AND HEALTHIER LIFESTYLES BY HARMONIZING WITH NATURE AND HUMANITY, A GOVERNMENT REPORT SAID TUESDAY. THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AGENCY'S ANNUAL REPORT STRESSED THE ROLE OF SCIENCE IN PROVIDING NEW VISIONS AND AN IMPROVED INTELLECTUAL ENVIRONMENT, URGING THE CREATION OF WHAT IT CALLED A "TECHNO-AMENITY SOCIETY."

THE DOCUMENT STRESSED THE DESIRABILITY OF SCIENCE POSITIVELY INFLUENCING THE QUALITY OF LIFE, TAKING THE VIEW THAT SHOULD THIS BE ACHIEVED, PEOPLE WILL BE ABLE TO ENJOY A "TRULY AFFLUENT" LIFE WITH THE FREEDOM TO EXPRESS THEIR OWN PERSONALITIES.

NOTING CHANGING ATTITUDES TOWARD SCIENCE AMONG THE PUBLIC, THE 1990 REPORT SAID PEOPLE SHOULD REGARD IT AS A MAJOR FACTOR IN THEIR LIVES RATHER THAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

THE BOOK SAID GREAT THINGS ARE EXPECTED OF SCIENCE IN THE FIELDS OF HEALTH, A COMFORTABLE AND SAFE ENVIRONMENT, AND AN EXPANSION IN THE SCOPE OF HUMAN ACTIVITIES.

IT EMPHASIZED THE GROWING CONTRIBUTION TO A BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE FROM RESEARCH INTO SUCH AREAS AS MATERIALS SCIENCE, LIFE SCIENCE, AND ELECTRONICS, DESPITE THEIR APPARENT ABSENCE OF IMMEDIATE IMPACT ON MOST PEOPLE'S DAILY LIVES. SPECIFICALLY, THE REPORT CITED SUCH DEVELOPMENTS AS THE MEDICAL USE OF IMAGE SCANNERS, PRODUCTION OF NEW MEDICINES THROUGH GENETIC ENGINEERING, WATER AND HEAT DISPOSAL, WASTE PROCESSING TECHNIQUES, AND INFORMATION PROCESSING TECHNOLOGIES AS SEEN IN THE WIDESPREAD USE OF PERSONAL COMPUTERS.

JAPAN'S EXPENDITURE ON RESEARCH TOTALED NEARLY ONE TRILLION YEN AS OF 1988, UP 50 PERCENT FROM 1983, WHILE RESEARCHERS NUMBERED 460,000 IN 1989, ALSO AN INCREASE OF 20 PERCENT COMPARED WITH FIVE YEARS BEFORE. IN BOTH CATEGORIES, THE ROLE OF PRIVATE COMPANIES IS GROWING, THE REPORT SAID.

THE REPORT SAID THE LEVEL OF JAPAN'S RESEARCH ACTIVITIES RANKS SECOND IN THE WORLD AFTER THE UNITED STATES AND FORMER WEST GERMANY.

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HONG KONG (OCT. 23) KYODO - AROUND 200 HONG KONG STUDENTS DEMONSTRATED OUTSIDE THE JAPANESE CONSULATE GENERAL HERE TUESDAY MORNING IN THE THIRD DAY OF PROTESTS OVER JAPANESE CLAIMS TO DISPUTED ISLANDS IN THE EAST CHINA SEA.

THE DEMONSTRATORS PRESENTED A LETTER TO CONSULATE OFFICIALS CALLING FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE JAPANESE FLAG FROM THE ISLANDS. THE UNINHABITED ISLANDS, KNOWN AS SENKAKU IN JAPAN AND TIAOYUTAI IN CHINA AND TAIWAN, ARE CLAIMED BY JAPAN, CHINA, AND TAIWAN.

THE DEMONSTRATION, ORGANIZED BY A STUDENT GROUP CALLED THE COALITION OF PATRIOTIC YOUTH DEFENDING THE DIAOYUTAI, TOOK PLACE PEACEFULLY.

THE WAVE OF PROTESTS CAME AFTER JAPANESE PATROL BOATS PREVENTED TWO TAIWANESE FISHING BOATS FROM APPROACHING THE ISLANDS SUNDAY.

FURTHER HONG KONG PROTESTS ARE PLANNED LATER IN THE WEEK, INCLUDING A MAJOR RALLY SUNDAY, ACCORDING TO SPOKESMEN FROM STUDENT AND OTHER CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS IN THE TERRITORY.

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#90296k0079 10/23/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 23) KYODO - KURAYA PHARMACEUTICAL CO. OF TOKYO SAID TUESDAY IT HAS BOUGHT A U.S. CLINICAL TESTING FIRM IN CALIFORNIA FOR 25 MILLION DOLLARS.

KURAYA PURCHASED THE INSTITUTE FOR BIOLOGICAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INC. TO HELP JAPANESE PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES OPERATING IN THE UNITED STATES WITH THE CLINICAL TESTS NECESSARY TO SUPPORT APPLICATIONS TO THE U.S. FOOD AND DRAGS ADMINISTRATION (FDA) FOR THE APPROVAL OF NEW MEDICINES, KURAYA OFFICIALS SAID.

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS, THERE ARE ABOUT 400 CLINICAL TESTING AGENTS IN THE U.S., BUT THIS IS THE FIRST SUCH PURCHASE BY A JAPANESE PHARMACEUTICAL FIRM.

THE INSTITUTE CURRENTLY POSTS ANNUAL CLINICAL TESTING FEES OF 14 MILLION DOLLARS. SOME 20 PERCENT OF ITS COMMISSIONS ARE FROM DRUG MAKERS IN JAPAN AND EUROPE, THE OFFICIALS ADDED.

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IN THE NEWS:

World stock markets are generally higher. ... The Nikkei adds 227 points for seventh straight gain. ... The FTSE is up a strong 24 points in midday London trading. ... U.S. stocks are directionless overseas. ... The dollar is up sharply on the yen. ... Bonds are flat. ... Crude bounces -- Brent North Sea is up $1.70 to $28.50. ... PRESIDENT BUSH vetoes the Civil Rights Act of 1990. ... Federal regulators are seeking $30.8 million from the former chairman of the now defunct CENTRUST BANK OF MIAMI. ... AMERICAN EXPRESS says third-quarter net income rose 3.6% from a year earlier, but per-share earnings were off 3.9% to 74 cents. ... PATHE COMMUNICATIONS says it delivered $967 million in checks to complete its purchase of MGM-UA COMMUNICATIONS. ... A three-year contract covering 100,000 FORD workers has been approved by an 82% margin. ... LORAL CORP. is taking on three European partners in its purchase of FORD's communications and weather satellite business.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

PRESIDENT BUSH campaigns today in New England as budget talks drag on in Washington. ... ENERGY SECRETARY JAMES WATKINS addresses the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE on national energy strategy this morning. ... AT&T says that it will raise its weekend and night rates 2.2% effective Nov. 2.

FROM THE BULLS:

"Right now, we are bullish on stocks and don't want to fight the tape," says "Davis/Zweig Futures Hotline" editor CRAIG CORCORAN. "The averages have turned up, and we look for an upside bias through the rest of the year." Corcoran thinks the market may reach 2700 by the end of the year, in part as a result of what he sees as an imminent "aggressive" easing by the Fed. ("Investor's Daily", 10/23)

BOB JAMES of TIMING RESEARCH in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., says the strength in the market could spread to the Blue Chips. "I imagine that if we keep oil under $30 a barrel then we have a pretty good shot at 2600 [on the Dow] this week," says Mr. James. ("USA Today", 10/23)

The Dow utility average moved above its 200-day moving average yesterday, giving some analysts hope for the broader market. "It's extremely rare for a bear market to remain intact with a major index rallying above its 200-day moving average," says RICHARD EAKLE of EAKLE ASSOCIATES. ANDREW ADDISON, editor and publisher of "The Addison Report," says the utility average's performance may signal a turnaround. "My feeling is that a short-term low is in place," says Addison. ("Investor's Daily", 10/23)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The fundamental outlook for the near future still doesn't support a sustainable upward move," says SURESH BHIRUD, chief investment strategist at OPPENHEIMER & CO. Mr. Bhirud argues that there is no relief in sight for the credit pressures currently hounding the economy. He also believes that the deficit-cutting bill when passed

"won't address longer-term structural deficits, which are running very, very high." (WSJ, 10/23)

STOCK MARKET:

"A serious bear market is in effect, the worst since 1974," says GERALD APPELL at "Systems & Forecasts." But he says his Time Trend III model remains on a buy signal: "In recent years, declines have turned out to be excellent buying opportunities." Stocks are no longer overvalued by many measures, and there is not likely to be much downside risk from the recent lows. "The worst in terms of downside momentum may now be over." (CNBC "World Business", 10/23)

"There was too much fluff from Friday and a lot of air in the market," says KEN DUCEY at S.G. WARBURG by way of assessing why the Dow did not respond more positively to plunging oil prices yesterday. "The market got overextended last week because of the expiration of options and futures; now it's catch-up time." Even so, he notes, "It's the Dow stocks that are down; the broad-based market is still firm." (NYT and "USA Today", 10/23)

Despite the seven day rally in Japan, SHEARSON LEHMAN's PETER DAPUZZO remains leery. "We think the market's gotten ahead of itself and there will be some more correction." Japanese interest rates may have stabilized, but questionably high real estate valuations have yet fully to hit the country's banks and brokerage houses, says DaPuzzo. Germany currently has the most attractive financial markets followed by Great Britain, Italy and France, says DaPuzzo. (FNN "World Market Update", 10/23)

"The broader market is trying to catch up with the Dow," says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. There was some profit-taking yesterday morning, but he says "it was encouraging that some bargain hunters came in in the afternoon." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/22)

"The course of oil over the next few weeks ... is definitely going to continue to influence the stock market," says A.C. MOORE of ARGUS RESEARCH. He says third quarter earnings have looked much better than expected, but says "that's history and not the future." Moore thinks earnings will be worse in both the fourth quarter and the first half of next year. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/22)

"I don't see anybody throwing caution to the wind and saying, 'Let's go out and buy a lot of things because the worst is over,'" says ROBERT McCREADY, an

institutional trader for A.G. EDWARDS & SONS. (WSJ, 10/23)

"The bigger market has been resilient here," says JON GROVEMAN, president at LADENBURG, THALMANN. ("The Washington Post", 10/23)

BILL WOLMAN of "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC" says he has moved from "disinterested" to "disgusted" with the marathon budget talks in Washington and that most people he knows feel the same way. "Like any event," he says, "it tends to get more and more discounted, so when it happens everybody is bored out of their gourd and the market will do nothing." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/22)

STOCK TIPS:

"USA Today" reports this morning that analysts are warming up to natural gas stocks. "I clearly think it's the fuel of the '90s," says RON BARONE of KIDDER, PEABODY. "It's plentiful. It's clean, relative to other fossil fuels. And it's cheap. To me, that seems like a winning combination." GEORGE GASPAR of ROBERT W. BAIRD & CO., says, "I'm bullish on natural gas." Barone likes explorers LOUISIANA LAND & EXPLORATION, ENRON OIL & GAS, ARKLA EXPLORATION and ANADARKO PETROLEUM. He also likes pipeline operators ARKLA and TRANSCO. Among utilities, he picks ATLANTA GAS LIGHT. CURT LAUNER of DONALDSON LUFKIN & JENRETTE recommends COLUMBIA GAS SYSTEM. ("USA Today", 10/23)

K.C. GRAINGER of JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL & CO. thinks it is still a bear market, but says that affords the best opportunity for the average investor to buy stocks because they are so cheap. He likes OMI CORP., EDO, CENTRAL PACIFIC and SYNTECH as good "buy and hold" stocks for the patient investor. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/22)

The poor performance of casino stocks reflects the slow utilization of recently constructed gaming facilities, says STEVEN EISENBERG, leisure time analyst for BEAR STEARNS. "Volumes have been a little below expectations in Atlantic City. They've been fairly decent in Nevada, but we suspect that trend is slowing." Many operators are too highly leveraged, says Eisenberg: "We think CIRCUS CIRCUS is not as highly leveraged as some of the other operators and generates a lot of free cash flow. Of any of the stocks in the group, its the one we're most comfortable with at the moment." Hold higher quality gaming stocks, but with a year or longer time horizon, advises Eisenberg: "It could be a little bumpy over the next three to six months." (CNN "Business Morning", 10/23)

DAVID TICE, editor of "Behind the Numbers," believes that PROCTER & GAMBLE shares are overpriced at their current growth-stock multiple of 18 times the past 12 months' earnings. Although P&G's per-share earnings grew 23% in the fiscal year ended in June, "a close examination shows that without the benefit of several one-time events, pretax earnings grew at only a 7% rate." EDWIN

ARTZT, P&G's chairman, replies: "It's inaccurate and untrue. I think he must have had his bifocals on upside down." Most analysts also disagree with Mr. Tice. "This is the wrong company to pick on," says JOSEPH KOZLOFF, a SMITH BARNEY analyst. "These guys are so conservative they squeak." (WSJ, 10/23)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

The dollar is up sharply against the yen in overnight trading. But MORGAN STANLEY's DAVID GERMANY says it is too early to say that the dollar has hit bottom against the Japanese currency. Germany says the factors which were pushing the dollar down remain in place -- the relative strength of the Japanese economy and the belief that Japanese interest rates will stay firm. "[However], the dollar is extremely low against most currencies. It is about 25% below where it was at the start of [the year] and it's getting close to bargain basement levels." (FNN "World Market Update", 10/23)

Plunging oil prices helped the dollar strengthen because cheaper oil reduces investors' fear of accelerating inflation and recession, says IAN FOAKES, manager of foreign exchange at PAINEWEBBER GROUP. (WSJ, 10/23)

The dollar's gain yesterday "was a short-covering move -- nothing more than that," says FRANCOISE SOARES-KEMP, treasury vice president at CREDIT SUISSE in New York. Nothing has changed, she says, referring to the suspense over budget negotiations in Washington and the Mideast crisis. (WSJ, 10/23)

"If you think about fundamentals, the only conclusion is that the dollar will go down," says MASAFUMI IWAMOTO, assistant general foreign exchange manager with MITSUI TRUST & BANKING in Tokyo. But, he adds, pushing the dollar lower will be "difficult and dangerous," especially with the BANK OF JAPAN eager to avoid a sharp decline of the dollar. (WSJ, 10/23)

In the absence of fresh news to motivate trading, "the market is out of ideas" to justify dollar selling, says ERIK LEHTIS, a trader at CREDIT AGRICOLE in New York. (WSJ, 10/23)

"People are being just a little more cautious about running the dollar down," says ERIC NICKERSON, vice president and economist at BANK OF AMERICA in San Francisco. (WSJ, 10/23)

"Once they get the budget accord out of the way" the Fed is likely to ease a quarter point, according to A.C. MOORE of ARGUS RESEARCH. Moore says the

markets have already discounted the easing to some extent, but adds, "I don't think it's totally in the market." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/22)

Bond investors "don't believe this drop in oil is sustainable," says ROBERTA OLSON, fixed income portfolio manager at BANC ONE ASSET MANAGEMENT. Bond traders also worry that the Treasury's quarterly debt refunding next month will drive prices down and yields up. The government is expected to announce details of the $30 billion auction next week. (WSJ, 10/23)

MITCHELL HELD, chief economist at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM & CO., explains why the bond market didn't react more favorably to the drop in oil: "We had a huge drop in oil prices, but peace hasn't broken out yet, and we have to look at the reality of things." (WSJ, 10/23)

THE ECONOMY:

BILL WOLMAN, chief economist for "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC," says the third-quarter gross national product figures due out a week from today could be stronger than previously expected. "For us GNP bears, it's not good because the number could be as high as 2% for the third quarter," says Wolman. But he says it would be a "phony number to some extent" because high inventories and consumer spending may skew the figure upward. "We could come up with a rather large number and it would be deceptive ... [because] it would be large for not very good reasons. ... If you take the statistical quirks, the implications are that inventories will be run down in the fourth quarter and if we do 2 [percent growth] in the third quarter then we've got a fourth quarter that is down an extra 1 percent." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/22)

"You have to be a military strategist, a psychologist and now a dream interpreter," says JOHN LICHTBLAU, chairman of PETROLEUM INDUSTRY RESEARCH FOUNDATION, commenting on the dramatic drop in oil prices on Monday. "But it appears that market psychology has completely turned around: war fears are now being totally dismissed." (WSJ, 10/23)

Yesterday's action on the oil market was due to "increasing supply, sagging demand and Saddam's dream," says PETER BEUTEL of PEGASUS ECONOMETRIC GROUP. "As the day progressed, momentum built to the stage where now the market is in a complete rout." ("Investor's Daily", 10/23)

"At this stage, the [oil] market is not focusing on [the Middle East] as much " says PETER BEUTEL of PEGASUS ECONOMETRIC GROUP. "There is a feeling that the tension is dissipating a little bit, so I don't think that's a major factor at this particular moment. But somewhere down the road, it could still be a factor." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/22)

"[Oil] prices could easily go up again ... if Saddam [Hussein] said he was ready to fight the Great Satan," says energy analyst ADAM SIEMINSKI. ("USA Today", 10/23)

IN WASHINGTON:

"Every year you're going to see the same pattern," says REP. CHUCK DOUGLAS (R. - New Hamp.). "The Democrats are the pork-barrelers, the Republicans are saying, 'Let's cut spending ... that way we won't have to raise your taxes.'" (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/22)

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Smith's Food & Drug Centers Inc. (NYSE: SFD) today reported record sales and net income for the third quarter 1990.

Sales for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990 totaled $510 million compared to $432 million last year, an increase of 18 percent. Net income was $8.6 million or 34 cents per common share, up 19 percent over $7.2 million or 29 cents per common share reported for the like quarter last year.

For the first 39 weeks of the year, sales totaled $1.5 billion, up 20 percent from $1.3 billion last year. Net income of $25.3 million was up 34 percent over last year's $18.9 million. Net income per common share, diluted by additional shares issued in connection with last year's public offering, was $1 compared to 87 cents, an increase of 15 percent. Sales in comparable stores opened at least a full year were up 7 percent for the first 39 weeks of the year.

According to planned expansion, Smith's opened eleven new combination food and drug centers during the first 39 weeks of 1990. These new centers are located in Burley, Idaho; Sunset City, Bountiful, Salt Lake City, Sandy, and Orem, Utah; two in Las Vegas, Nev.; Las Cruces, N.M.; and two in Phoenix. Fifteen obsolete, smaller stores were closed during the like period, including six stores in Southwest Idaho. The company also converted two stores to warehouse-type supermarkets. Four additional stores, currently under construction, are planned to open during the fourth quarter of 1990.

Gross margins for the third quarter decreased slightly to 21.8 percent from 21.9 percent for the like quarter last year. Pressure on gross margins is created by new markets as the company promotes price competition to establish market share and build sufficient volume to effect economies of scale. The decrease in gross margins was offset by a reduction in the percentage of total expenses to net sales caused by higher sales volumes and increases in comparable store sales which spread fixed costs over a larger sales base. The decrease in interest expense, experienced largely in the first part of the year, was due to the reduction of debt from the proceeds of the company's initial public offering.

An ice cream plant, located at the Layton, Utah distribution complex, is near completion. Construction is on schedule for a large central distribution center located west of Phoenix in Tolleson, Ariz. This new center will open at the end of 1991 and will supply stores in the Southwest Region and the new, planned California Region.

The third regular quarterly dividend in 1990 of 7 cents per common share was paid on Sept. 14, 1990.

Smith's is a leading regional supermarket chain operating 94 stores in seven intermountain and southwestern states. The majority of these stores are large combination food and drug centers.

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EL SEGUNDO, CALIF. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Infonet, the leading international value-added network services company, announced today the formation of a separate corporation, called Infonet Portugal.

Headquartered in Lisbon, Infonet Portgual is jointly owned by Infonet, Conpanhia Portuguesa Radio Marconi (CPRM), Telefonos Lisboa e Oporto (TLP) and Time-Sharing S.A. CPRM and TLP are both telecommunication companies in Portugal. Time-Sharing S.A. is a Portuguese computer services firm.

"Infonet Portugal was established to better serve our rapidly growing customer base in Portugal," said Juan Cenzano, director of Infonet's Iberoamerica region.

"A number of Infonet's multinational clients in the United Kingdom, Germany, France, Spain and the U.S. have invested heavily in Portugal's booming commercial real estate market and created joint ventures with Portuguese firms " added Cenzano.

"These multinational firms now want to communicate with their Portuguese operations via Infonet's worldwide public data network and assure local support for their Infonet users in Portugal."

Infonet Portugal will actively market Infonet's global public data network and store and forward messaging services to businesses in Portgual. The Infonet network is accessible in more than 110 countries for worldwide data, store and forward, E-mail, fax and telex transmissions.

An interconnect is also being established between the Infonet network and Portugal's national Telepac public data network. Once this interconnect is

completed, Telepac subscribers will be able to gain direct local access to the Infonet network from Faro, Setubal, Lisbon, Porto, Coimbra and numerous other cities in Portugal.

Infonet Portugal's telecommunication experts will make the necessary arrangements for users in Portugal to access the Infonet network via Telepac.

Established in 1970, Infonet is the leading standards-based international value-added network services company. It provides and directly supports communication and computer services throughout the world. The company is jointly owned by MCI and 10 major telecommunication administrations in Europe and the Asia-Pacific.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Transcisco Industries Inc., a San Francisco-based company (AMEX: TNIA, TNIB), announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Transcisco Trading Co., signed a sublicensing agreement in the U.S.S.R. along with its primary licensee, HAKA of Finland, for its proprietary Uni-Temp tankcar heating technology. This new agreement is a 12-year sublicensing agreement for over $48 million in revenue to HAKA and Transcisco Trading, and provides for a specified number of Uni-Temp heating plates to be furnished by the Western partners for the domestic U.S.S.R. market.

In addition, Transcisco Trading, along with HAKA of Finland, signed a letter of intent, or protocol, with the National Railways of Hungary (MAV). This protocol specifies that the parties will now begin negotiations to establish a tankcar leasing company in Hungary whereby HAKA, Transcisco and MAV are partners providing tankcar leasing services to petrochemical operators and enterprises in the nation. The format will be similar to what Transcisco has set up in the U.S.S.R. with their first joint venture, SOVFINAMTRANS, and what is now being negotiated in Poland for a similar venture. The signing of the protocol in Hungary, when negotiations are completed, would make it the third joint venture railcar leasing company in Eastern Europe. This is a continuation of Transcisco's strategy started several years ago.

Additional production of Uni-Temp plates for its Soviet joint venture begins soon, and prototype Uni-Temp equipped tankcars for the Polish joint venture are now being built. It is not contemplated that production units for either Poland or Hungary will begin until mid-1991. Over the last few months, the company signed leases in the Soviet Union for some 900-1,000 units, and that production begins shortly, continuing well into 1991.

Transcisco Industries operates railcar maintenance and retrofitting operations

through its Transcisco Rail Services division and through its wholly owned subsidiary, Transcisco Tours, operates a dinner train in San Antonio, Texas, and will commence operation of a luxury "cruise train" service to Lake Tahoe and Reno from the San Francisco Bay Area starting in late 1990. Transcisco owns 36 percent of PLM International, an AMEX-listed diversified equipment leasing company, and Transcisco owns 20 percent of SOVFINAMTRANS, a U.S.S.R. railcar leasing company that operates tank cars with Transcisco's Uni-Temp heating system. Transcisco expects to diversify its exposure, both in equipment-types and geography, to proprietary transportation equipment, parts, and operating businesses using its own unique technologies and its proven financing skills.

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TACOMA, WASH. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Weyerhaeuser Co. (NYSE: WY) today reported third-quarter earnings per common share of 42 cents, down from 78 cents per share in the comparable period of 1989.

Net income for the quarter was $90.6 million, down 46 percent, and sales totaled $2.3 billion, down 12 percent.

For the first nine months of 1990, earnings per share totaled $1.57, down 29 percent, net income $334.9 million, down 29 percent, and sales $6.9 billion, down 8 percent.

The year-ago quarter and nine months net earnings included a $10-million gain (5 cents per common share), representing the net of gains on asset and subsidiary stock sales and reserves established and costs associated with restructuring.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer George H. Weyerhaeuser said the most significant declines in third-quarter year-to-year results were in businesses associated with new construction. Earnings of the company's building products operations were down 56 percent from the comparable quarter of 1989, and those of its construction subsidiaries, down 59 percent.

Overall pulp and paper sector earnings from operations were down 22 percent, with the variance concentrated in market pulp and containerboard packaging. Paper and newsprint results were up from the 1989 quarter.

The company's financial services subsidiaries all contributed to a $25 million earnings improvement over the 1989 quarter in that sector.

Mr. Weyerhaeuser said domestic log and timber prices have declined in response to the depressed domestic lumber market. He said there are no signs of

near-term improvement in domestic construction, but that, as Japan continues to work down excess inventories of lumber and logs, export markets for those products should improve.

Paper and paperboard product markets, he said, may be nearing the bottom of the cycle, with price increases appearing in some products, notably newsprint, linerboard and some paper grades.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunex Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNX) announced today that it received U.S. patent 4,965,195 covering technologies for making genetically-engineered Interleukin-7 (IL-7) proteins, a family of growth factors pioneered by Immunex scientists.

IL-7 is a growth factor which stimulates the growth in bone marrow of immature B-cells and T-cells which regulate the immune system. Il-7 may also stimulate the production of platelets which help control blood clotting.

Immuex scientists Anthony Namen, Raymond Goodwin, Stephen Lupton and Diane Mochizuki are the inventors of the technologies described in the patent, which broadly covers recombinent DNA technologies for producing mammailian IL-1 proteins. In order to clone the IL-7 gene, Namen developed a method for growing pre-B-cells in cell culture systems which simulate the environment in bone marrow. This technique permitted the presence of IL-7 produced by recombinant DNA clones to be detected and the gene isolated.

The research leading to the Immunex discoveries was sponsored by Immunology Ventures, a joint venture between Immunex and Sterling Drug Inc. Sterling is conducting preclinical research on IL-7 and retains worldwide rights to manufacture and market the drug.

"The IL-7 patent represents an important achievement in the development of blood cell growth factors," said Steven Gillis, Ph.D., executive vice president of Immunex. "IL-7 may be the first factor involved in the early differentiation of B- and T-cells which control immune function. It may ultimately play an important role in the treatment of patients whose immune systems have been suppressed as a result of infection or by radiation or chemotherapy."

"This patent strengthens our expanding proprietary portfolio of cytokine and cytokine receptor products and demonstrates our leadership position in this field," said Scott Hallquist, Immunex vice president and general counsel.

Immunex is a leading biotechnology company focused on the research,

development, marketing and manufacture of immunological therapeutic products.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - BSD Bancorp (AMEX: BSD) today announced that it has initiated an internal reorganization through which Bank of La Costa will become a branch of The Bank of San Diego. The transaction is subject to appropriate regulatory approvals.

Bank of La Costa, with $26 million in assets at Sept. 30, 1990, became a wholly owned subsidiary of BSD Bancorp in 1989 when the holding company acquired the 47 percent of the shares not previously owned.

BSD Bancorp Chairman James S. Brown said the reorganization was being undertaken to better utilize the company's capital and human resources. "We look forward to continuing to serve the La Costa community with a full range of banking services," said Brown.

The Bank of San Diego, with $170 million in assets at Sept. 30, 1990, currently operates five branches in San Diego County, located at Balboa and Ruffin Road; Grossmont Center; downtown San Diego; Tenth and G Street; and Towne Centre. The bank also operates a loan production office in Orange County, Calif. The addition of a La Costa location will bring the total number of branches to six. The Bank of San Diego is the largest subsidiary of BSD Bancorp Inc., a publicly owned multi-bank holding company serving banking and trust markets in Southern California.

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HINGHAM, MA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Software Developer's Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: SDEV) (Boston Stock Exchange: SDC) announced today the operating results for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

THE SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S COMPANY, INC.
Results of Operations
(Unaudited -- In thousands, except per share data)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Six Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989

Net sales	$8,322	$4,523	$15,610	$8,121
Operating income	374	236	719	355
Net income	207	117	391	205
Net income per share	0.09	0.06	0.16	0.10
Common shares outstanding	2,413	2,059	2,401	2,079

According to President Bruce Lynch, "Revenues increased 84 percent over the comparable quarter last year, continuing a strong growth pattern. Income grew 77 percent, slightly below revenue growth due to the scheduled expansion of management and sales staff and planned expenditures for new products being launched by the Solution Systems division.

"The sales increase is a result of two principal factors," Lynch noted. "First, increased circulation of the Programmer's Shop Catalog to 500,000 has generated additional advertising revenue as well as increased software sales for the Programmer's Shop division. Second, sales at our Solution Systems division grew, reflecting the efforts of Dale Troppito, the recently hired general manager of the division and vice president of product development."

The company also announced the resignation of Melvin Seiler as vice president - sales. Said Lynch, "Since he joined us in March 1989, Mel had been working part-time to assist us in plotting strategy and building our sales organization. At the same time, he has been working for two other companies nearer his Wilton, Conn., home. As his assignment with us is now largely complete, Mel will be able to devote more of his energies to his other responsibilities. We are pleased he will continue to work with us on a consulting basis."

The Software Developer's Company, Inc. develops, publishes and distributes software development tools for the PC programming community through three divisions: Solution Systems, publisher of BRIEF and other development tools for PC programmers; the Programmer's Shop, a retail and wholesale mail-order distributor of more than 1,500 products for PC programmers, and SDC Communications, which publishes the Programmer's Shop Catalog and utilizes SDC's substantial mailing list of programming product buyers in other marketing endeavors.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - II-VI Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: IIVI) today reported results for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net earnings for the period were $226,000 ($0.09 per share) on revenues of

$3,628,000. These results compare with net earnings of $311,000 ($0.12 per share) on revenues of $3,413,000 in the first fiscal quarter last year.

Results for the current period reflect higher shipments of infrared materials and laser optics. However, gross margins were lower primarily as a result of continued price competition. In addition, the company recorded higher corporate overhead expenses and decreased net interest income when compared with the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Internal research and development expenses increased significantly during the quarter reflecting less focus on Cadmium Teluride and greater emphasis on the Zinc Selenide/Zinc Sulfide areas. II-VI's Singapore manufacturing facility reported improved performance vs. the same period last year.

Bookings for the current period rose 5 percent to $4,104,000, the second highest level in II-VI's history. The company attributed the increased bookings level to greater orders from military and defense-related customers primarily as a result of the departure of a major competitor in the Zinc Selenide/Zinc Sulfide markets.

International bookings, however, decreased significantly reflecting a general slowdown in worldwide manufacturing of industrial carbon dioxide lasers.

In discussing the results of the quarter, Francis J. Kramer, president and chief operating officer, stated, "We are pleased with the increase in new order bookings. While it is too early to determine if this trend will continue throughout fiscal 1991, we are nonetheless encouraged by the growth in our military-related business, though somewhat disappointed in our international optics orders for the quarter." Kramer continued, "We remain enthusiastic about the long-term prospects for II-VI, although we continue to view the near-term with cautious optimism."

Headquartered in Saxonburg, Pa., II-VI Inc. designs, manufactures and markets optical and electro-optical components and materials for precision use in infrared devices. The company's products are used in high-power lasers for industiral processing, lasers for surgery and other medical applications and military sensing systems.

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LOWELL, MASS. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Wang Laboratories (AMEX: WAN) today reported a net profit of $2.6 million, or 2 cents per share, for the first quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $62.1 million, or 38 cents per share, for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Revenues from continuing operations totalled $571.5 million for the first quarter, compared

with $604.8 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Richard W. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Given an extremely difficult industry situation and an adverse economic environment, we are pleased with these results as further evidence that our turnaround programs are working. We continue to make important progress in improving the relationship between operating revenues and operating expenses."

Operating profit before any special charges or credits was $12.6 million versus a loss of $30.1 million in the same quarter last year and a loss of $5.6 million in the quarter ending June 30, 1990. Additionally, the company recorded a gain of $11.8 million reflecting the transfer of an interest in a non-strategic real estate subsidiary in Brussels, Belgium bringing total operating earnings from continuing operations to $24.4 million for the quarter. Interest and other expenses for the quarter were $13.6 million versus $19 million a year earlier, resulting in pre-tax earnings from continuing operations of $10.8 million for the first quarter of the 1990 fiscal year versus a loss of $62 million for the same quarter in 1989. "During the quarter", Miller said, "the company achieved another important milestone by totally eliminating debt to its bank group. This debt was $575 million in August, 1989 and it is zero today."

Miller said, "During the quarter, the company's revenue mix continued to show strength in larger systems, a trend that began in the last quarter of fiscal 1990. This richer mix of products sold demonstrates renewed customer confidence in both the company's financial health and in the products and services it offers.

"We compete in an industry that is changing rapidly as a result of global economic forces and new customer needs. The current weakening economic cycle is continuing to put severe pressure on all companies in the computer industry and will need to be watched carefully as we proceed through the year. Accordingly, Wang is building an organization that can adapt to these changes and that can remain competitive in any environment."

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FULLERTON, CALIF. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Wynn's International Inc. (NYSE: WN) reported today net income of $1,593,000 or $.42 per share in the 1990 third quarter compared to $1,221,000, or $.32 per share in the third quarter of 1989, a 31 percent increase. Pretax income from operations was $3,469,000 in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 71 percent increase over $2,034,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Net income was negatively affected by an increase in the effective tax rate to 54 percent from 40 percent in the 1989 third

quarter.

Net sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $71,651,000, compared to $72,780,000 in the third quarter of 1989, a decrease of 2 percent. The decline in revenues compared to the same quarter in 1989 was caused by significantly lower sales at the Wynn's Climate Systems automotive air conditioning subsidiary, which was partially offset by higher revenues at the other Wynn's operating subsidiaries.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $4,896,000 or $1.27 per share compared to $6,084,000 or $1.59 per share a year ago. As previously reported, the 1989 first quarter results included an aftertax gain of $1,375,000, or $.36 per share, from the sale of a joint venture interest.

Net sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $212,716,000 compared to $216,407,000, for the first nine months of 1989, a decrease of 2 percent.

Wynn's Climate Systems Inc. (WCS), which designs and manufactures automotive air conditioning systems for sale to original equipment manufacturers (OEM) and through the aftermarket, experienced a 26 percent drop in revenues during the third quarter of 1990 compared to the 1989 third quarter. This expected reduction was due principally to reduced OEM sales to Chrysler, Isuzu and independent Hyundai dealers and lower aftermarket sales. Sales to Mazda increased in the third quarter of 1990 compared to the same period in 1989. Although WCS incurred a small operating loss in the most recent quarter, results of operations improved significantly compared to the third quarter of 1989.

Wynn's-Precision Inc. (Precision), a key supplier of sealing products for automobiles and other equipment, recorded a 3 percent increase in operating profits in the third quarter compared to the third quarter of 1989 on a 12 percent increase in revenues. Domestic operations performed well despite the overall general slowdown and pricing pressures in the automotive industry.

Wynn Oil Company had another strong quarter, recording a 25 percent increase in sales and a 29 percent increase in operating profit compared to the same quarter in the prior year. Excluding the effect of exchange rate fluctuations growth in revenues and earnings were 16 percent and 17 percent, respectively. The 1990 figures include the results of the two recent small acquisitions in France. Foreign operations continue to generate strong earnings which is a principal reason for the increase in the company's effective tax rate.

Wynn's International Inc., founded in 1939, is a worldwide supplier of automotive air conditioners, O-ring, seals, molded rubber products, petrochemical specialties products and builders hardware. The company has 2,041 employees and is headquartered at 2600 E. Nutwood Ave., Fullerton, Calif., 92631. Telephone: 714-449-8900.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Mycogen Corp. (NASDAQ: MYCO) today reported third quarter revenues of $4,082,000 for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $2,926,000 in the same period last year. Net loss was $140,000, or $.01 per share, compared to a net loss of $224,000, or $.03 per share, for the same period in 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, revenues were $11,455,000, compared to $7,669,000 for the same nine months of the previous year. For the first nine months of 1990, net loss decreased to $606,000, or $.06 per share, compared to a net loss of $1,143,000, or $.16 per share, for the first nine months of calendar 1989.

"The third quarter results are in line with expectations and reflect the decision made last quarter to increase the level of commercial development activities," said Jerry Caulder, chairman of Mycogen. "We believe the increased product development efforts will provide the company effective and environmentally sound biopesticides for the 1990s and beyond."

Cash and marketable securities at the end of the third quarter totaled $69,473,000 or approximately $5.91 per share. "Our strong cash position provides the basis to carry out our business strategies," added Caulder.

Mycogen Corp. develops, manufactures and markets biopesticides as alternatives to chemical pesticides to control a variety of insects, weeds and other pests. Mycogen's biopesticide products are based on natural agents such as microorganisms and fatty acid compounds which are compatible with the environment. The company develops its products through the application of genetic engineering technology and innovative formulations.

MYCOGEN CORP. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)
(Dollars in thousands, except share data)

	Three months ended Sept. 30,		Nine months ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Product sales	$587	$517	$2,243	$955
Contract revenue	2,001	1,816	6,427	5,365
Interest and other income	1,494	593	2,785	1,349
Total revenues	4,082	2,926	11,455	7,669
Costs and Expenses:				

Cost of goods sold	297	225	1,328	535
Research & development	2,789	2,029	7,273	5,949
Marketing, general and administrative	1,092	707	3,312	2,123
Interest and other expense	44	189	148	205
Total costs and expenses	4,222	3,150	12,061	8,812
Net loss	($140)	($224)	($606)	($1,143)
Net loss per common share	($.01)	($.03)	($.06)	($.16)
Weighted average number of shares	11,644,760	8,155,193	9,863,868	7,330,152

MYCOGEN CORP. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited)
(Dollars in thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and short term cash investments	$69,473	$28,892
Other current assets	3,484	729
Total current assets	72,957	29,621
Property and equipment (net)	4,066	2,566
Investments and other assets	7,184	911
Total assets	$84,207	$33,098
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accruals	$1,507	$1,036
Advance payment on contracts	2,383	5,081
Current portion of long-term debt	21	200
Total current liabilities	3,911	6,317
Long-term debt	--	137
Stockholders' equity	80,296	26,644
Total liabilities & stockholders' equity	$84,207	$33,098

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WHIPPANY, N.J. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Isomedix Inc. (NASDAQ: ISMX) today reported third quarter consolidated sales of $5,998,895, a gain of 15 percent over sales of $5,201,779 for the same period in 1989. Operating income increased 8 percent to $1,477,269 compared with $1,369,946 for the same period last year.

Consolidated net income in the third quarter increased 22 percent to

$1,037,768, compared with $848,884 earned a year ago. Based on 6,672,505 weighted average number of shares outstanding in the third quarter compared with 5,394,221 shares a year ago (a 24 percent increase), earnings per share were 16 cents for both periods.

Consolidated sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $18,246,131, exceeding sales of $15,213,738 for the same period in 1989 by 20 percent. Operating income increased 15 percent to $4,687,232 compared with $4,063,391 for the same period last year.

Consolidated net income in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 27 percent to $3,153,091 compared with $2,482,568 earned a year ago. Based on 6,670,175 weighted average number of shares outstanding in the third quarter compared with 5,270,905 shares a year ago (a 27 percent increase), earnings per share were 47 cents for both periods.

"We are pleased with the results of this quarter. Isomedix continues to show sizeable gains even in a weak economy. Our ethylene oxide sterilization business is strong and Skyland Validation continues to show improvement after its restructuring" stated John Masefield, president and chief executive officer of Isomedix Inc.

The company operates a network of nine sterilization facilities in seven states and Canada. During 1989, the capability to sterilize medical devices with pure ethylene oxide was added at two of these nine facilities and both locations are now operational. Isomedix also provides validation services through its Skyland Scientific Services subsidiary located in Montana.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Boston Technology (NASDAQ: BSTN) announced today that it has entered into an agreement with BellSouth (NYSE: BLS) for the use of Boston Technology's CO ACCESS voice processing systems. The company has already shipped several CO ACCESS systems to BellSouth. The systems are being used to provide Memorycall(R), BellSouth's telephone answering and voice messaging service.

"We have been working closely with BellSouth for many months to establish this relationship," said Greg C. Carr, president of Boston Technology. "We are dedicated to serving BellSouth as a customer."

Boston Technology develops, manufactures and markets enhanced applications platforms, primarily to Regional Bell Operating Companies, cellular providers,

and independent telephone companies.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Control Data (NYSE: CDA) today reported third quarter 1990 net earnings of $8.5 million, or $.20 per share, on revenues of $434.1 million. For the first nine months of 1990, the company reported net earnings of $26.5 million, or $.62 per share, on revenues of $1.26 billion.

In the third quarter of 1989, Control Data reported net earnings of $9.8 million, or $.23 per share, on revenues of $763.0 million. Results for that period included revenue and earnings from Imprimis, the disk drive subsidiary sold to Seagate Technology at the end of September 1989. Net earnings in the third quarter of 1989 also included a net pre-tax restructuring gain of $8.5 million.

In the third quarter, improved performances from several businesses helped the company achieve better operating results than in the previous quarter, setting aside the second quarter pre-tax gain of $4.3 million on the sale of Silicon Graphics stock. The Computer Products Group continued to exceed its earnings targets in the third quarter, despite the economic slowdown and its transition to new products.

"We are confident that Computer Products' strategy of continuing to enhance and support its proprietary offerings, while at the same time providing integrated solutions that help customers reduce product development cycles and manage information, has put it on the right track," said Perlman. "Government Systems also continued to meet its earnings and revenue goals. The business is well positioned in markets that are high priorities for the Department of Defense, and the sale of its ATARS contract in early October will enhance its performance in 1991.

The company's previously announced plan to discontinue the SAMI product tracking operation will improve the earnings capability of its Arbitron subsidiary. Arbitron also entered into an arrangement with Information Resources, Inc. (IRI) in which it has assigned SAMI's customer contracts to IRI, and over the next seven years, IRI will provide certain data services to Arbitron without charge. Collectively, these transactions resulted in no gain or loss for Control Data in the third quarter.

Control Data provides data solutions that integrate hardware, software and services to meet customers' complex information management, data collection, processing and communications needs. Its businesses include the Arbitron Company, Automated Wagering, Business Management Services, Computer Products,

Data Services, Empros Systems International, Government Systems and Microgrnosis.

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EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Cambrex Corporation (NASDAQ: CBAM), a manufacturer of specialty chemicals, today reported net income of $0.5 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $0.4 million reported in the third quarter of 1989.

Net revenues for the third quarter were $31.7 million, compared with $33.7 million reported in the third quarter of 1989.

On a per share basis (fully diluted) the company reported net income equal to 11 cents compared with 7 cents in the third quarter of 1989.

Revenue increases in Agricultural Chemical Intermediates and Health and Cosmetic Products categories did not offset declines in the other product groups. The principal revenue shortfall was in the company's coatings group and was attributable to revenues associated with the sale of the organic biocides business in the first quarter of 1990.

Operating profit in the third quarter of 1990 was $1.2 million, compared with the $1.1 million reported in the same quarter last year. Lower raw material costs more than offset decreased revenues, leading to higher operating profits.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net revenues were $103.1 million, compared with $99.4 million reported for the first nine months of 1989. Operating profit was $5.3 million compared with $7.5 million last year.

Net income for the nine month period was $4.0 million compared with $4.1 million for the month period of 1989. The 1990 period included a gain of $1.8 million, net of taxes, on the sale of the company's organic biocides business.

On a per share basis (fully diluted) net income equalled 82 cents compared to 73 cents in the 1989 nine month period. Per share data is based on an average of 5,126,900 shares outstanding in the first nine months of 1990 and 5,908,800 shares in the nine months of 1989. The shares outstanding declined principally because of the company's stock buyback program. Between mid-February and early April the company repurchased one million shares.

Cambrex Corporation manufactures a broad line of specialty chemicals, fine chemicals and commodity chemical intermediates. The chemical families of castor oil, pyridine, organometallics, succinic anhydrides, organobromines and ammonia reaction chemistry are used by the company to produce compounds for

its five product categories: Urethane Systems and Additives, Coatings, Health and Cosmetic Products, Agricultural Chemical Intermediates, and Specialty and Fine Chemicals.

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DENVER (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - TSL Inc. (NASDAQ: TSLI) today announced that it has signed an agreement to acquire Linetec Inc., a privately held distributor of safety products to various industries, utility companies and government agencies. The acquisition of Linetec will be made as a stock transaction as part of TSL's acquisition of Regent Enterprises Inc. (OTC: RGTE).

The Linetec acquisition agreement calls for the exchange of 600,000 shares of TSL common stock for 100 percent of Linetec. The 600,000 shares of TSL are included in the 49 percent of TSL common stock required for the acquisition of Regent Enterprises. The closing of the Linetec transaction will be simultaneous with the acquisition of Regent.

Linetec consists of two divisions: an industrial safety products division and a snack food manufacturing and distribution division. The industrial safety division operates with a customer base of 750 distributors located throughout the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico. Linetec is expected to have sales in excess of $2.5 million in 1990. Due to an aggressive expansion program in its industrial safety division, which will add 12 new products in 1991 and increased activity in its snack foods division, sales for 1991 are projected to be in excess of $5 million. Linetec is located in St. Charles, Ill. and occupies 22,000 square feet of office and warehouse space, employing 24 personnel.

Linetec's chief products are Doublesafe(TM) and Alertine(TM) underground marking tapes. These unique products are color-coded tapes containing a metallic foil that are placed 4 to 6 inches above underground utility lines (gas, electric, water, sewer, cable television and telephone) so that they can be easily detected by crews at construction sites. It is estimated that only 5 percent of all such lines are currently being marked prior to digging, and that damage done to undetected lines run into millions of dollars annually.

Linetec also markets non-detectable underground marking tapes which are placed above buried utility lines, acting as a "stop-sign" for digging, and a full line of barricade safety tapes to warn of dangers or hazards.

Linetec products currently under development include flagging tape for surveyors, marketing flags, plastic safety and snow fencing, woven tapes and barricades. It is anticipated that as these products are introduced into the

marketplace, the number of distributors carrying Linetec products will increase considerably.

Based in Denver, TSL formulates and markets antitampering packaging technologies, under the trade name Tamper Safe(TM), for the pharmaceutical, food, cosmetic, security and packaging industries.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Cadence Design Systems Inc. (NYSE: CDN), a worldwide leader in electronic design automation (EDA) software, today announced a divisional reorganization, forming an Integrated Circuit Solutions Division and merging its Advanced CAE (ACAE) Division with its Systems Division to form an expanded Systems Solutions Division. In addition, the company also announced several executive staff reassignments to give greater corporate wide focus to Cadence's two primary market thrusts.

Prabhakar Goel, 42, has been named president of the Systems Solutions Division which now incorporates the former ACAE Division, based in Lowell, Mass. and the former Systems Division, based in Santa Clara, Calif. Goel, formerly president of the ACAE Division and founder of predecessor company Gateway Design Automation Corp., has moved to the company's San Jose corporate headquarters where he will oversee his expanded responsibilities. All former ACAE Division functions remain at the Lowell facility, including product marketing and development of the company's Verilog- and VHDL-related families of logic simulation tools. Goel continues to report to Cadence President and Chief Executive Officer Joseph B. Costello.

Michael D. Lack, 39, formerly head of the Systems Division, has been named president of the company's newly-formed Integrated Circuit Solutions Division, a business unit focused on the integrated circuit design automation market. Lack is credited with overseeing Cadence's development and introduction of the Amadeus(TM) Systems Design Series product family, the EDA industry's first top-down design automation toolset for systems-level design. Lack continues to report to Costello.

Tony Zingale, 34, has been promoted to vice president of corporate marketing, a position in which he will form an expanded corporate marketing group that will oversee all corporatewide marketing functions, including framework technology marketing, corporate business development, market research and corporate communications. Zingale, formerly vice president of Systems Division marketing, reports to Costello who continues as acting executive vice president of corporate marketing.

Cadence Design Systems Inc. is a leader in the design, development and marketing of software solutions for the design of integrated circuits and electronic systems. Cadence, with offices throughout the United States, Europe and Asia, is headquartered in San Jose, and is traded on the NYSE under the symbol CDN.

Amadeus is a trademark of Cadence Design Systems Inc.

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TORRANCE, CA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - International Technology Corp. (NYSE: ITX) (IT) announced today results for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues for the quarter rose 41 percent to $100.6 million, compared with revenues of $71.4 million for the same quarter of the prior year. Net income for the quarter was $4.3 million, or $.13 per share, compared with $3.3 million, or $.10 per share, for the same period last year, reflecting an increase in net income of 30 percent.

For the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues rose 37 percent to $190.1 million, compared with $139.2 million for the same period of the prior year. Net income for the six-month period was $8.2 million, or $.25 per share compared with $5.5 million, or $.17 per share, for the same period last year, reflecting an increase in net income of 50 percent.

"Second quarter results reflect the continued strong demand for the company's services as the company exceeded the $100 million quarterly revenue level for the first time," said Murray H. Hutchison, chairman and chief executive officer.

International Technology Corp., based in Torrance, is a leading environmental management company providing services to government and industry. The company's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ITX.

INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CORP.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(In thousands, per share data)

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30		Six Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
	(unaudited)			
Revenues	$100,626	$71,413	$190,054	$139,161
Operating Income	7,201	4,037	13,324	7,924
Income before income taxes	5,186	3,645	9,916	6,098
Provision				

for income taxes	926	375	1,686	598
Net income	$4,260	$3,270	$8,230	$5,500
Net income per share	$.13	$.10	$.25	$.17
Average common and common equivalent shares outstanding (in thousands)	33,595	32,441	33,388	32,359

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Wavetek Corp. (NASDAQ: WVTK) today announced that preliminary results of operations for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, were sales of $20,399,000, compared to $21,048,000 for the quarter a year ago. A net loss of $1,240,000 or 14 cents per share is anticipated, compared to net income of $209,000 or two cents per share for the fourth quarter last year.

Sales for the fiscal year ended Sept. 29, 1990, were $90,605,000, compared to $85,190,000 for last year. Net income of $1,064,000 or 12 cents per share is anticipated for the year, compared to net income of $895,000 or 10 cents per share a year ago.

Fred Sehnert, president and chief executive officer, said, "Overall business conditions continued to be difficult through the fourth quarter. As a result of the decrease in new orders during the second half, it was necessary for the company to adjust expense and production levels during the quarter. The financial effects of these actions are included in the anticipated results of operations."

Audited results of operations for fiscal 1990 will be announced in mid-November.

Wavetek Corp., headquartered in San Diego with facilities and offices in California, Florida, Indiana, New York, West Germany, Hong Kong and the United Kingdom, produces a broad line of electronic test and measurement equipment and related products.

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COLUMBUS, OHIO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Cooker Restaurant Corporation (NASDAQ: COKR) has announced that its board of directors authorized the company to

purchase up to 500,000 shares of the company's stock from time to time in open market transactions. At current price levels, the board of directors views the company's purchase of its stock as an appropriate investment.

For the third quarter of 1990, the company's net earnings were $529,000, up 24 percent from $426,000 in 1989. Sales in 1990's third quarter rose 15 percent to $8,673,000 from $7,527,000 a year earlier. Earnings per share increased 25 percent to $.05 per share compared with $.04 in 1989's third quarter. Pre-tax earnings were $789,000, up 42 percent from $557,000 in the prior year's third quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, net earnings increased 35 percent to $1,461,000, up from $1,083,000 in the first nine months of 1989. Sales for the first nine months of 1990 rose 18 percent to $24,959,000 from $21,199,000 a year earlier. Earnings per share for the first nine months of 1990 were $.13 compared with $.12 in 1989. Pre-tax earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $2,262,000, up 86 percent from $1,214,000 in 1989.

Weighted average shares outstanding for the first nine months of 1990 are 10,940,813 as compared with 8,800,302 in 1989.

COOKER RESTAURANT CORPORATION
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990		
	1990	1989	Percent Increase
Sales	$8,673,000	$7,527,000	15
Pre-tax earnings	789,000	557,000	42
Net earnings	529,000	426,000	24
E.P.S.	0.05	0.04	25
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	10,940,813	10,940,813	0

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990		
	1990 YTD	1989 YTD	Percent Increase
Sales	$24,959,000	$21,199,000	18
Pre-tax earnings	2,262,000	1,214,000	86
Net earnings	1,461,000	1,083,000	35
E.P.S.	0.13	0.12	9
Weighted average Shares Outstanding	10,940,813	8,800,302	24

Management of the company makes no recommendation as to whether shareholders should sell or not sell their stock at this time.

The company owns and operates 11 full service "Cooker" restaurants in Tennessee, Indiana, Ohio and Michigan. The company's twelfth restaurant is under construction in Cincinnati, Ohio and is scheduled 7o open in early

December. The company's common shares are traded on the NASDAQ-National Market System under the symbol "COKR."

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PASADENA, CALIF (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (NYSE: JEC) announced today the receipt of a multi- million-dollar contract from BP Oil Co. to provide engineering, design, and procurement services in support of BP Oil's program to upgrade its petroleum refineries throughout the United States.

The announcement was made by Noel G. Watson, Jacobs' president and chief operating officer, who said that Jacobs will furnish engineering services over the next five years on a variety of petroleum-processing projects. The announcement did not provide the specific dollar value of the contract.

The projects will involve new installations as well as the revamping and modernizations of existing processing units at selected BP Oil refineries. BP Oil initiated the projects in order to comply with new regulations for diesel products and to position itself to respond to changing market demands.

"We are proud to be associated with BP Oil and see this new contract as a way of solidifying our working relationship with this important international company," said Watson. Jacobs has provided refinery maintenance and construction services at several BP installations for many years.

"This series of projects for BP Oil further enhances Jacobs' position as a leader in the refinery engineering field," Watson added.

Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. provides single-source environmental and hazardous waste management, consulting, engineering, design, architectural, construction, construction management and maintenance, and operations services to government and industry worldwide.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Forstmann & Company, Inc. has extended until 5 p.m., New York City time, on Wednesday, Oct. 24, 1990, the expiration date, withdrawal rights and proration period relating to its exchange offer for up to $60 million aggregate principal amount of the $100 million outstanding of its 14-3/4 percent Senior Subordinated Notes due April 15, 1999 for an equal

principal amount of its new Split Coupon (Accrued Interest) Senior Subordinated Notes due April 15, 1999.

Forstmann's lenders have informed the company that there would be no future extensions of the company's credit facility, which expired on Oct. 22, 1990, unless a satisfactory agreement on a restructuring of Forstmann is reached between the company, its bank lenders and the holders of the Senior Subordinated Notes. Forstmann is continuing its discussions with representatives of a committee consisting of the holders of a majority of the Senior Subordinated Notes and representatives of Citibank, N.A. and the company's other lenders with respect to possible alternatives and amendments to the exchange offer, including a restructuring of the company.

Among the proposals currently being considered by all parties is a restructuring of Forstmann which would include, among other things, (i) the payment of the $7.375 million of interest on the Senior Subordinated Notes due on Oct. 15, 1990 upon consummation of the restructuring in the form of $5 million in cash and $3 million aggregate principal amount of new Senior Subordinated Notes which would be redeemable not later than 91 days after expiration of the company's new or extended credit facility; (ii) reducing the interest rate on the 14-3/4 percent Senior Subordinated Notes for the period from Oct. 16, 1990 to Oct. 15, 1992 to 6 percent per annum; (iii) the issuance of new Senior Convertible Preferred Stock with a liquidation preference of $17.5 million to holders of the 14-3/4 percent Senior Subordinated Notes; (iv) the exchange of the company's Senior Exchangeable Adjustable Rate Preferred Stock for a new Junior Convertible Preferred Stock; (v) the conversion of the Junior Convertible Preferred Stock of FI Holdings, Inc. held by Odyssey Partners, L.P. into common stock; (vi) the merger of FI Holdings, Inc., the parent of the company, with and into the company; and (vii) the suspension of the management fee payable by the company to an affiliate of Odyssey Partners until Oct. 15, 1993. The new Senior Convertible Preferred Stock and the new Junior Convertible Preferred Stock would be convertible into an aggregate of 45 percent of the common stock of the company on a fully diluted basis, with the remainder being owned by Odyssey Partners and management of the company. In addition, in order to facilitate the restructuring, Odyssey would provide a $3.5 million stand-by letter of credit, with terms to be negotiated, in favor of Citibank and the other lenders guaranteeing a portion of the extended bank facility. The company expects that consummation of the restructuring would be conditioned upon, among other things, the consent of holders of at least 95 percent of the outstanding Senior Subordinated Notes.

As of Oct. 22, 1990, approximately $145,000 in outstanding principal amount of 14-3/4 percent Senior Subordinated Notes had been tendered for exchange and not withdrawn.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Quaker Oats Co. (NYSE: OAT) today reported earnings per share from continuing operations of 42 cents for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to 49 cents a year ago. Consolidated sales of $1.33 billion are 9 percent ahead of last year's $1.21 billion. Consolidated operating income of $89.3 million was 12 percent below the prior year's $101.4 million. Net income per share including discontinued operations was 42 cents compared to 70 cents a year ago.

Operating income for U.S. and Canadian Grocery Products was $75.9 million, or 21 percent above last year. The operating income improvement was driven by significantly improved margins due to lower commodity costs, as well as higher volumes. Sales of $949 million were 5 percent above a year ago. Overall unit volume was 1 percent above last year as increases in Gatorade, ready-to-eat cereals, Aunt Jemima products, and snacks more than offset a significant decline in Pet Foods and, to a lesser extent, Food Service. Despite the volume declines in Pet Foods and Food Service, operating income for both businesses was up for the quarter. Advertising and merchandising expenditures were $36 million above last year, and also higher as a percentage of sales reflecting higher planned support of Gatorade and cereals.

International Grocery Products Operating income in International Grocery Products was $13.4 million, or 65 percent below last year's $38.6 million. The decline in operating income was primarily due to increased marketing expenditures for the introduction of Gatorade thirst quencher in Germany and France and significantly lower sales and operating income in Brazil. Sales of $378 million were 21 percent above a year ago, due in part to stronger European currencies in relation to the U.S. dollar. Also contributing to the sales increase in the quarter were strong volume performances for Gatorade in Italy, pet foods and Gatorade in Germany, pet foods in the United Kingdom, and chocolate sales in Mexico. Overall unit volume for International Grocery Products was up 2 percent for the quarter.

Net financing costs (interest expense and foreign exchange) are $2.8 million lower than last year. Foreign exchange losses of $2.5 million are $7.7 million less than last year due mainly to lower devaluation of the local currency in Brazil. Interest expense of $23 million is $4.9 million above last year due primarily to higher overall debt levels related to common share repurchases during fiscal 1990.

In April 1990, the company announced its intention to spin off Fisher-Price to the company's shareholders, by the first quarter of calendar 1991. The proposed spin-off is subject to board of directors approval of the final terms and conditions. Accordingly, Fisher-Price has been accounted for as a discontinued operation for all periods presented. During fiscal 1990, the company recorded provisions for anticipated transaction expenses relating to

the planned spin-off, as well as projected operating losses (including allocated interest expense) through the expected completion date of the spin-off.

The average number of shares outstanding in the quarter was 75.6 million compared to 78.2 million last year.

The Quaker Oats Co. is an international marketer of foods, beverages and pet food.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Chubb Corporation (NYSE: CB) today announced that net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $367.2 million or $4.26 per share compared with $313.7 million or $3.69 per share for the like period of 1989. These amounts include realized investment gains after taxes of $24.2 million or $.28 per share in 1990 and $21.1 million or $.24 per share in 1989. Net income also includes tax benefits of $8.1 million or $.09 per share in 1990 and $14.4 million or $.17 per share in 1989 relating to the "fresh start" adjustment as a result of the Tax Reform Act of 1986.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $145.3 million or $1.69 per share compared with $101.7 million or $1.18 per share for the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter includes realized investment gains after taxes of $15.8 million or $.18 per share in 1990 and $9.3 million or $.10 per share in 1989. These quarterly amounts also include "fresh start" tax benefits of $2.7 million or $.03 per share in 1990 and $4.8 million or $.06 per share in 1989. Per share amounts have been retroactively adjusted to reflect the two-for-one stock split effective May 7, 1990.

Property and casualty underwriting loss after taxes amounted to $6.3 million for the first nine months of 1990 compared with $14.3 million in 1989. These underwriting results include the "fresh start" tax benefits. Net premiums written were $2.2 billion, an increase of 5.8 percent compared with 1989. The combined loss and expense ratio, after dividends to policyholders, was 100.5 percent for the first nine months of 1990 compared with 100.9 percent for 1989. The third quarter combined loss and expense ratio, after dividends to policyholders, was 98.2 percent in 1990 compared with 103.2 percent in 1989. Catastrophe losses for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to $26.1 million or 1.3 percentage points of the combined loss and expense ratio compared with $58.0 million or 2.9 percentage points in 1989. Catastrophe losses in the third quarter amounted to only $8.3 million which represented 1.2 percentage points of the combined loss and expense ratio for the quarter compared with $42.0 million or 6.3 percentage points in 1989.

Investment income after taxes, exclusive of life and health insurance operations, was $290.2 million for the first nine months of 1990 compared with $251.6 million in 1989, an increase of 15.3 percent.

Life and health insurance operations resulted in income after taxes of $34.4 million for the first nine months of 1990 compared with $30.9 million in 1989.

Real estate operations contributed income after taxes of $32.3 million for the first nine months of 1990 compared with $33.2 million in 1989.

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WATERTOWN, MASS. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Summit Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: BEAM), manufacturer and marketer of excimer laser systems for medical applications, today announced record revenues and earnings for the third quarter of 1990. For the three months ending Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $3,777,876, an increase of 313 percent over revenues of $915,021 for the same period in 1989. Net income for the quarter was $231,319 or 2 cents per share, as compared to a net loss of $862,190 or 10 cents per share, for the corresponding quarter in the prior year.

For the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, revenues totaled $7,845,335, a 187 percent increase over the $2,729,812 reported during the corresponding period last year. Net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $865,950 or 7 cents per share as compared with $1,580,600 or 20 cents per share for the comparable period last year.

Summit attributes the increase in revenue to the continued strong demand from ophthalmologists for the ExciMed(tm) UV200 excimer laser. The increase in expenses is primarily due to the addition of personnel necessary to meet product sales demand. Summit forecasts revenue of $10 million-$12 million for fiscal year 1990 (ending Dec. 31) compared to revenue of $5.16 million in fiscal year 1989.

The ExciMed UV200 ophthalmic excimer laser system will be exhibited at the upcoming American Academy of Ophthalmology Meeting (AAO) in Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 28 - Nov. 1, 1990. The largest of all ophthalmology congresses, the AAO draws over 12,000 ophthalmologists from around the world. Excimer laser treatment for common vision disorders such as near-sightedness will be discussed by physician investigators who will be presenting their clinical data. There are over 700 opthalmologists pre-registered for a Summit sponsored breakfast meeting on excimers Wednesday, Oct. 31.

Summit Technology, Inc. has established a leadership position in designing,

manufacturing and marketing medical excimer laser systems. A major focus of the company's business is in ophthalmology where applications have been developed for the treatment of common vision disorders including near-sightedness, far-sightedness, glaucoma, astigmatism, and superficial diseases of the cornea. Summit has received six Investigational Device Exemption approvals from the F.D.A. for clinical trials with its excimer laser systems. To date, the Summit Technology ExciMed UV200 excimer laser system has been used to treat approximately 900 patients in ophthalmology clinical trials at 20 domestic and 40 international sites.

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PASADENA, CALIF. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Countrywide Mortgage Investments, Inc. (NYSE: CWM) today announced unaudited earnings of $2,385,000, or $.17 per share, based on 13,645,000 weighted average shares outstanding, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In addition, the company's board of directors declared a cash dividend of $.17 per share for the quarter, payable Nov. 20, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 2, 1990.

For the comparable year-ago quarter, net earnings were $1,908,000, or $.14 per share, based on 13,645,000 weighted average shares outstanding, and a cash dividend of $.14 per share was paid.

For the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, earnings were $2,263,000, or $.17 per share. A cash dividend of $.17 was paid for this quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Countrywide Mortgage reported net earnings of $7,002,000, or $.51 per share, based on 13,645,000 weighted average shares outstanding. For the comparable period last year, net earnings were $6,469,000 or $.48 per share.

Countrywide Mortgage Investments, Inc., a real estate investment trust, invests in fixed- and adjustable-rate, single-family, first-lien residential mortgages, mortgage securities and other related investments. Countrywide Mortgage was sponsored by Countrywide Credit Industries, Inc. (NYSE: CCR), which, through its subsidiaries, Countrywide Asset Management and Countrywide Funding Corporation, provides management services and a source of mortgage investments.

CONTACT: Countrywide Mortgage Investments investor relations, 818-304-7523; or Daniel Saks of Russell Communications Group, 213-823-3622, for Countrywide

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ST. PETERSBURG, FL (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Tag Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: STAG), today reported continued sales growth for the second quarter and first half of fiscal year 1991 ended Sept. 30, with profits rising to $533,418 for the quarter, and $1,001,829 for the six-month period.

Carter W. Clarke Jr., president and chief executive officer of Security Tag Systems, stated, "Both sales and profits were significantly higher than last year. While the company did get an added boost in profits from the completion of the sale of its position in Securitag International, Ltd., it is encouraging to experience these continuing upward trends during this period of economic uncertainty. A contributing factor has been our Inktag(TM) sales, which continue to be strong. The company's market leadership with this product has greatly enhanced our stature within the retail industry.

"It still looks as if Security Tag Systems is going to have a banner year as far as revenues are concerned, and it appears that we will end the year with profits greater than those of last year."

Security Tag Systems, Inc., develops, manufactures and markets electronic detection systems for retail, business, industrial and military markets.

SECURITY TAG SYSTEMS, INC.
Selected Operating Results (Unaudited)

Six Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Total Sales	$7,231,635	$5,838,220
Previously Deferred Sales	1,459,997(B)	--
Miscellaneous Income, Net	723,916(D)	204,380
Total Revenues	9,415,548	6,042,600
Net Income (Loss) Before Research and Development	1,544,453	441,285
Research and Development	522,624	452,352
Income Tax Provision, Net	20,000	--
Net Income (Loss)	1,001,829	(11,067)
Net Income (Loss) Per Share	$0.07	$0.00
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	14,463,723	14,463,723
Three Months Ended Sept. 30	**1990**	**1989**
Total Sales	$3,794,489	$3,389,021
Previously Deferred Sales	729,998(A)	--
Miscellaneous Income, Net	381,940(C)	142,638
Total Revenues	4,906,427	3,531,659
Net Income (Loss) Before Research and Development	832,595	497,887
Research and Development	289,177	219,520
Income Tax Provision, Net	10,000	--
Net Income (Loss)	533,418	278,367

Net Income (Loss) Per Share	$0.04	$0.02
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	14,463,723	14,463,723

(A) -- Represents one-half of previously deferred sales to STIL.
(B) -- Represents all of previously deferred sales to STIL.
(C) -- Includes gain on sale of one-half interest in STIL of $332,337.
(D) -- Includes gain on sale of entire interest in STIL of $664,674.

CONTACT: Carter W. Clarke Jr., president and CEO of Security Tag Systems, 813-576-6399; or Burton Arkin of Arkin Associates, 212-935-9650, for Security Tag Systems

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LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - American Reliance Group Inc., a regional insurance holding company, began trading 2,549,420 common shares on the American Stock Exchange today under the ticker symbol ARI.

American Reliance Group previously traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ARIG.

American Reliance Group, together with American Reliance Insurance Company, which owns 66 percent of the holding company, specializes in providing coverage for small and medium size businesses and for individuals in rural and suburban locations. These products include commercial multiple peril, farmowner, workers' compensation, automobile, fire and allied lines, inland marine, homeowner, tenant, condominium, and general and excess liability insurance.

American Reliance Group and American Reliance Insurance Company market insurance coverage through independent insurance agencies for customers in New Jersey, Florida, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Indiana, Maryland and Virginia.

American Reliance Group reported net income of $5,099,000 or $2.00 per share on revenues of $62,608,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $4,581,000 or $1.80 per share on revenues of $52,536,000 for the comparable periods in 1989.

CONTACTS: Dennis Bandish, senior VP of American Reliance Group, 609-895-0595; Bob Shabazian of the Amex, 212-306-1640; or Gerard Coffey, of G.A. Kraut Company, 212-696-5600, for American Reliance Group

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IRVINE, CALIF. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Gateway Communications Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: GWAY) announced today the results of operations for the third

quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a 10 percent increase in net income which amounted to $365,000 or $0.08 per share on total revenues of $7,019,000. In the comparable 1989 period, net income was $332,000, or $0.07 per share on total revenues of $6,904,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, the company reported net income of $167,000, or $0.04 per share on total revenues of $18,653,000. Net income for the comparable period in 1989 was $756,000, or $0.17 per share on total revenues of $19,679,000.

David S. McMaster, president and chief executive officer of Gateway Communications announced that, "Third quarter 1990 revenues were the highest in the company's history.

"The nine month results for 1990 compared to 1989 were adversely affected by a net loss in the first quarter, largely affected by our decision to liquidate our Australian subsidiary, and lower revenues and net income in the second quarter," he said. "I am therefore extremely pleased with the third quarter results.

"We have experienced strong demand for the company's products worldwide as evidenced by this record quarter in sales," McMaster said. "In addition, we anticipate increasing our visibility in the USSR and East bloc countries as these emerging markets continue to open."

Formed in 1981, Gateway Communications Inc. is a major supplier of award-winning networking and communications products for the IBM PC market. Gateway products are sold in more than 70 countries worldwide. Corporate and international headquarters are located at 2941 Alton Ave., Irvine, CA 92714; telephone: 714-553-1555; fax: 714-553-1616.

CONTACT: Jean Taber (media) or Kari Jo Bloomer (investors) of Gateway Communications, 714-553-1555

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TROY, MI (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - VOPLEX Corporation (AMEX: VOT) today announced a third-quarter loss of $2,303,344 or $.86 per share on sales of $12,006,022 compared to a loss of $570,882 or $.21 per share on sales of $15,815,804 a year ago.

The 24-percent sales decline, in what is a traditionally soft quarter in the automotive industry, was cited as the major factor contributing to the loss. Even in this period of decline, the company is absorbing costs required to support new business being introduced next year. In addition, the company charged off expenses related to a joint venture investigation which was

terminated in September.

The current slowdown in the auto industry also affected the company's joint venture in Canada, increasing the losses by $307,000 from the same period in 1989.

Despite the reported results, the company continues to maintain a strong balance sheet and make improvements in its working capital.

The board of directors suspended payment of a regular quarterly dividend for an unspecified period of time in order to preserve cash for capital expenditures required to support its strategic plan to grow the business and to support new business that has been acquired.

VOPLEX is a Troy-based supplier to the automotive industry that designs, engineers and manufactures interior trim components, modules and systems for the automotive industry as well as supplying blow molded products to the packaging industry.

VOPLEX CORPORATION
(Unaudited)

	Third Quarter		YTD Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$12,006,022	$15,815,804	$44,808,030	$53,557,656
Earnings (loss) before taxes	(2,374,924)	(729,529)	(2,728,125)	(728,986)
Net earnings before equity in VHC profit (loss)	(1,979,924)	(554,529)	(2,213,125)	(554,186)
Equity in VHC profit (loss)	(323,420)	(16,353)	(535,379)	124,945
Net earnings	(2,303,344)	(570,882)	(2,748,504)	(429,241)
Net earnings per share	($0.86)	($0.21)	($1.03)	($0.16)
Average shares	2,667,886	2,701,928	2,667,886	2,701,928

CONTACT: Robert C. Trombley of VOPLEX Corporation, 313-597-6355.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. today reported significantly higher third quarter 1990 results.

Business unit contribution (operating income before amortization of trademarks and goodwill) rose 42 percent from the third quarter last year, to $857 million from $604 million. Operating income was $706 million, or 56 percent

higher than operating income of $452 million a year ago. Consolidated net sales in the quarter were $3.53 billion, 18 percent higher than net sales of $3.00 billion last year.

The company reported free cash flow, excluding divestiture proceeds, of $886 million in the quarter.

A number of special items complicate third quarter comparisons: The company reduced domestic tobacco shipments last year to eliminate excess trade inventory; domestic tobacco marketing expenditures were significantly higher in 1990; and several food businesses were sold since the third quarter last year.

RJR Nabisco Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Louis V. Gerstner Jr. said the quarter's results reflected the company's continuing strong operating performance.

The company reported an 81 percent reduction in its third quarter net loss, to an $86 million net loss from a $447 million net loss a year ago. The third quarter 1990 net loss reflects charges of $507 million (pre-tax) for non-cash interest primarily related to RJR Nabisco's leveraged buy-out in 1989 as well as $303 million (pre-tax) of other non-cash charges, including amortization of intangibles and depreciation. The net loss also includes a $108 million extraordinary gain primarily from open market purchases of the exchange debentures of RJR Nabisco Holdings Group Inc., as part of a recapitalization program announced in July.

For the first nine months of 1990, business unit contribution of $2.50 billion was 37 percent higher than the $1.82 billion reported last year. Operating income was $2.04 billion, 46 percent higher than the $1.40 billion reported a year ago. Free cash flow, excluding divestiture proceeds, for the first nine months of 1990 was $2.08 billion. Consolidated net sales of $10.19 billion were 10 percent higher than $9.23 billion reported last year. The year-to-date net loss was reduced 59 percent to $416 million from a net loss of $1.01 billion for the first nine months of 1989.

CONTACT: Jason Wright of RJR Nabisco, 212-258-5770 (office) or 212-308-5014 (after hours)

-30- 2633

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GRAND RAPIDS, MI (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - An increase in mobile home written premium and an increase in corporate net income results for the third quarter, were reported today by Foremost Corporation of America (NASDAQ: FCOA).

Third-quarter net income from FCOA's continuing operations was $.45 per share, up from the $.08 per share reported during the same quarter last year. The

net income, from continuing operations, for the first nine months of the year was $1.29 per share compared with $1.43 per share last year.

During the third quarter mobile home written premium, the major line of FCOA's insurance subsidiaries, increased 18 percent. This continues a strong trend established earlier in the year.

Severe storms, too small to be considered catastrophes, but serious enough to cause significant damage in much of the United States pushed up the combined loss and expense ratio. The ratio for the property casualty group, before catastrophe losses, was 98 percent compared with the 94.3 percent reported during the same quarter in 1989. Catastrophes in the third quarter added only 2.4 points to the combined ratio compared with 18.9 points added in 1989. For the nine months of 1990, the non-catastrophe combined loss and expense ratio was 96.0 percent compared to 94.2 percent in 1989.

In other lines: -- Written premium for recreational vehicle products is up 2 percent over last year's third quarter.

-- Automobile policies in force have declined significantly as part of a plan to lower our writings in this line.

-- After-tax investment income dropped 8 percent compared with last year's third quarter and 5 percent for the year. The drop is due to a smaller investment base.

-- Litigation involving insurance issued in 1985 by Foremost Guaranty Corporation, a subsidiary sold in 1988, was settled for approximately $2 million, after tax. The trial court ruling, in favor of Foremost, was recently overturned upon appeal.

Foremost Corporation of America and its subsidiaries primarily provide manufactured home and recreational vehicle insurance.

FOREMOST CORPORATION OF AMERICA AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME BY BUSINESS SEGMENT
(UNAUDITED)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
(In Thousands Except Per-Share Data) Net Income (Loss) After Taxes:				
Property and Casualty Insurance	$ 6,418	$ 1,084	$17,325	$14,904
Life Insurance	531	719	2,011	1,780
Total Insurance Operations	6,949	1,803	19,336	16,684
Parent and Other	(1,915)	(836)	(4,192)	563
Net Income - Continuing Operations	5,034	967	15,144	17,247

Net Loss -				
Discontinued Operations	(2,046)	-	(2,046)	-
Consolidated Net Income	$ 2,988	$ 967	$13,098	$17,247
Per Share of Common Stock:				
Net Income -				
Continuing Operations	$ .45	$ .08	$ 1.29	$ 1.43
Net Loss -				
Discontinued Operations	(.18)	-	(.17)	-
Consolidated Net Income	$ .27	$ .08	$ 1.12	$ 1.43
Average Shares Outstanding	11,090	12,032	11,715	12,053

CONTACT: F. Robert Woudstra of Foremost Corporation of America, 616-956-8218

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#90296p8188 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Tambrands Inc. (NYSE: TMB) reported today that net earnings in the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 reached record highs.

Net earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased to $25,890,000 over third-quarter 1989 earnings of $16,567,000, which included a one-time charge of $5,026,000 ($0.22 per share).

Earnings per share increased to $1.22 in the third quarter of 1990, up from earnings per share of $0.74 in the same period of 1989. Net sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $152,119,000, compared to net sales of $153,214,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

Tambrands' Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Martin F.C. Emmett said, "We are pleased to have achieved record earnings for the third quarter and the year to date. The success of our strategy of focusing on the Tampax tampon business should provide a sound basis for future growth as well."

Tambrands' record earnings in the third quarter resulted from strong performance in international operations, including improved shipments in Europe and favorable foreign exchange rates; and the positive effects of the restructuring program announced by Tambrands in December 1989, which included workforce reductions and the sale of businesses unrelated to the worldwide Tampax tampon franchise. Sales in the third quarter of 1990 were slightly lower than in the comparable period last year because of the divestitures of Tambrands' diagnostics and cosmetics businesses and the program to reduce promotional discounts in the United States and sell only to replenish consumption.

Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 also set a company record for the period, again showing the positive results of Tambrands' restructuring program. Earnings increased to $79,727,000 from $60,751,000 for the

comparable period last year. Earnings per share increased to $3.72 from $2.72 for the first nine months of 1989. Net sales were $480,651,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $449,257,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

Earnings per share increased at a greater rate than net earnings in the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 because there were fewer shares outstanding than in the comparable periods of 1989.

Tambrands is an international manufacturer and marketer of personal care products, including Tampax(R) tampons and Maxithins(R) sanitary pads.

CONTACT: Paul E. Konney, senior vice president of Tambrands, 516-358-8774

-30- 2736

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DALLAS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Mary Kay Corporation announced today that it had extended to midnight, Oct. 23, the period during which the holders of its 15 percent discount debentures could consent to certain proposed amendments to the terms of the debentures and receive a cash payment of $10 per $1,000 principal amount of debentures. The company also extended to midnight, Oct. 23, the period during which tendered bonds would be given priority for purchase in its previously commenced tender offer for up to 64 percent of the debentures. The tender offer remains scheduled to expire at midnight on Oct. 30.

CONTACT: Dwight Smith of Mary Kay, 214-720-0607

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Culbro Corporation (NYSE: CUC) announced today that it planned to offer for sale the plastics injection molding business conducted by its subsidiary Moll Tool & Plastics Corp. (MTP). MTP has plants in Fort Smith, Ark., and La Vergne, Tenn., and a technology and sales center in Evansville, Ind. MTP manufactures components for major home appliances (principally refrigerators, air conditioning and heating units), housings for business machines and automotive parts. The unit, which is part of Culbro's Industrial Products Group, had sales of approximately $33,500,000 in 1989 which accounted for less than 4 percent of Culbro's consolidated sales.

Culbro selected Chemical Bank Investment Banking to conduct the sale. Inquiries should be made to Carroll Wetzel, Jr., managing director, Chemical Bank Investment Banking (212-310-7783).

Culbro Corporation is a diversified organization with interests in cigars, wholesale distribution of tobacco and sundry consumer products, industrial

products including labeling systems and plastic components, real estate and landscape nursery stock.

CONTACT: A. Ross Wollen of Culbro, 212-561-8714

-30- 1359

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TROY, MI (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Kelly Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: KELYA, KELYB), the nation's largest temporary help company, today announced sales and earnings for the third quarter of 1990.

Kelly Services President and Chief Executive Officer Terence E. Adderley announced that sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, reached $386 million, an increase of 7.6 percent over the $359 million reported for the corresponding period in 1989.

Net earnings of $20.9 million were up 1.5 percent from the $20.6 million reported for the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share amounted to 70 cents per share versus 69 cents per share in 1989.

"We are pleased with this quarter's results, particularly in view of the weakening economy," Adderley said. "Competitive pricing pressures continued, but were partially offset by additional efficiencies in our operations."

Comparative sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine month periods of 1990 and 1989 were:

KELLY SERVICES, INC.
(In 000s except per-share data)

	Third Quarter(a)		Nine Months(a)	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sale of services	$386,067	$358,799	$1,108,707	$1,025,775
Costs and expenses	352,879	325,984	1,021,294	939,177
Earnings before income taxes	33,188	32,815	87,413	86,598
Income taxes	12,250	12,185	32,470	32,325
Net earnings	20,938	20,630	54,943	54,273
Earnings per share	0.70	0.69	1.83	1.81
Average number of Class A and B common shares outstanding	30,072	30,043	30,064	30,034

(a) -- The 13- and 39-week periods for 1990 ended Sept. 30 and, for 1989, ended Oct. 1.

CONTACT: Barbara I. Pardue of Kelly Services, Inc., 313-244-4800

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HOUSTON (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The GNI Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: GNUC) announced today that revenues for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were the highest in the company's operating history. Revenues for the period this year were $4,712,123 compared to $3,167,392 a year ago. However, the 49 percent increase in revenues was offset by a 62 percent increase in costs and expenses which resulted in net income of $87,748 or $.02 per share for the most recent three months compared to net income of $271,736 or $.06 per share for the same period last year.

GNI continued to experience strong increases in demand for its processing, treatment and disposal services. The company's new chemical processing plant, which went on-line on July 1, 1990, contributed to revenues during the quarter but below budgeted levels.

Operating costs were impacted by the increased level of business and by new environmental compliance requirements that regulate the manner in which hazardous wastes must be divided and segregated. These regulations have increased the company's handling costs, including additional costs for labor, treatment supplies and off-site disposal. The company is also being faced with new and additional taxes at certain landfill facilities. The management of these costs is being aggressively employed and these efforts should be reflected in second quarter financial results.

Depreciation and amortization expenses for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were slightly more than double those of the comparable period in 1989. They reflect the $8.8 million invested in fixed assets during fiscal 1990, including the $6.5 million invested in construction of the chemical processing plant.

The GNI Group, headquartered in Deer Park, Texas, provides a broad range of integrated hazardous waste management services for over 300 major industrial customers across the United States. The company's "single source" services include transportation, treatment, processing, recycling and disposal.

THE GNI GROUP INCORPORATED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

Three months ended	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net revenues	$4,712,123	$3,167,392
Operating income	417,577	511,597
Income before tax	151,351	438,059
Net income	87,748	271,736
Net income per share	$ .02	$ .06
Weighted average shares	4,593,435	4,520,262

CONTACT: Carl V. Rush Jr., president and CEO of The GNI Group, 713-930-0350; or Pat Hoyt of Hoyt & Associates, 713-665-2549, for GNI

-30- 2877

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PARSIPPANY, N.J. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Net sales and earnings from continuing operations before provision for income taxes for the third quarter of 1990 were ahead of the comparable 1989 period, Athlone Industries Inc. (NYSE: ATH) reported today. Net sales for the third quarter of 1990 amounted to $60,572,000, compared to net sales of $58,170,000 in 1989. Earnings from continuing operations before provision for income taxes for the third quarter of 1990 amounted to $2,809,000, compared to $716,000 in 1989.

Net earnings for the third quarter of 1990 amounted to $1,663,000, or $.26 per common share, which was higher than the $1,447,000, or $.20 per common share, for the comparable 1989 period. The 1989 earnings included a net benefit for income taxes, due to the utilization of operating loss carry-forwards. No carry-forwards were available for 1990.

The company reported net sales of $194,460,000 for the nine months of 1990, compared to $217,719,000 for the 1989 period. Net earnings for the nine months of 1990 amounted to $5,319,000, or $.82 per common share, compared to $14,202,000, or $2.41 per common share, in 1989.

The company presently expects operating results for the second half of 1990 to be ahead of the second half of 1989, due in part to lower interest costs and to increased shipments of specialty steels.

As previously announced, the company is continuing to review its diversified operations with the overall objectives of concentrating on its core business, specialty metals, and to be positioned to consider other opportunities to enhance the value of the company's common stock.

Commencing in 1989 to date, the company has retired $50,000,000 of its $75,000,000, 15 5/8 percent notes. The sources of funds for this retirement program were internally generated cash, including the proceeds of the sale of the Dudley Division. The company is presently negotiating to arrange financing at current market rates to refund the remainder of these notes. The retirement of these notes will result in substantial interest savings to the company.

On Oct. 19, 1990, the board of directors declared the regular quarterly dividend of $.25 per common share payable Nov. 16, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 2, 1990.

CONTACT: Gary M. Cademartori, treasurer of Athlone Industries, 201-887-9100, or 212-425-6550.

-30- 2550

#90296p8202 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, Conn. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Acme United Corporation (AMEX: ACU) today reported net income of $211,798, or 6 cents per share, for the 13-week period ended Sept. 29, 1990. This compares to net income of $33,872, or 1 cent per share, for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $11,240,667, a 15 percent increase over net sales of $9,717,964 in the similar period of 1989.

Net income for the 39-week period ended Sept. 29, 1990, was $1,212,848, or 37 cents per share. This represents an increase of 720 percent over net income of $147,762, or 5 cents per share, in the comparable period of 1989.

Net sales for the 39-week period of 1990 were $34,251,248, an increase of 17 percent over net sales of $29,321,410 in the similar period of 1989.

"The third quarter earnings were good in view of plant closings in July for paid vacations, which lasted two weeks in the United States, three weeks in England and the full month in Germany," said Henry C. Wheeler, chairman and chief executive officer. "In addition, added expenses for annual plant maintenance and repairs were realized during the closings, while relatively fewer shipments were made during this period.

"The increase in earnings for the third consecutive quarter resulted from a sharp increase in sales and profits from our foreign subsidiaries, especially our new acquisitions in Germany and England. In addition, we continue to realize economic benefits from domestic cost-cutting moves implemented in late 1989.

"We look for continued improvement in sales and profits for the remainder of 1990 and throughout 1991," Wheeler said. "Our European operations enjoy a leadership position, while our consumer and medical product businesses in the United States are doing well in spite of the downturn in the national economy."

Acme United is a leading producer of metal disposable surgical instruments, sterile procedure trays, germicidal products and wound-care packs for hospitals and the after-care market as well as the country's largest producer of household shears, scissors, wooden rulers and yardsticks for the consumer.

CONTACT: Stephen T. Bajda, senior vice president-finance of Acme United, 203-255-2744.

-30- 2432

#90296p8203 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola Inc.'s (NYSE: MOT) Radio-Telephone Systems Group (RTSG) announced today that it has developed a new Wireless

In-Building Network (WIN) technology to provide high-speed communications among personal computers and other electronic equipment inside a building. The technology makes possible a whole family of high-speed wireless communications systems and components to be introduced by the company over the next decade.

The first product to embody WIN technology, scheduled for introduction during the first quarter of 1991, will enable wireless local area network (LAN) communications between personal computers at speeds of 15 million bits per second (Mbps).

Unlike existing wireless alternatives that use much lower frequencies, Motorola's WIN technology uses 18 gigahertz (GHz) radio frequencies which have both the capacity and technical properties to carry large amounts of information at very high speeds within buildings or parts of buildings.

Compatible with today's cable-based data communications speeds, standards, and protocols, the technology can complement, extend, or replace current hard-wired networks such as Ethernet or Token Ring. The technology is a high-speed transmission medium that replaces wiring and cabling and is transparent to existing communications standards and protocols.

At a technology briefing in New York, Bernard R. Smedley, senior vice president and general manager of the Radio-Telephone Systems Group, explained, "Given the physical, logistical, and financial problems associated with wire and cable-based communications in buildings, our goal was to develop a practical, high-performance technology to replace 'the last 100 feet of wiring' to office desks and equipment. Besides being easy to deploy, reliable and secure, the technology would have to equal or exceed data transmission speeds provided by today's hard-wired solutions. It would also have to be economical and completely transparent to users' current investment in network operating systems, applications, and hardware. The WIN technology achieves these goals.

"Wireless communications products currently on the market provide only very limited speed, performance, and network compatibility. Now," Smedley continued, "WIN technology makes high-speed data communications in the office or other in-building environments truly practical, cost effective, and achievable."

James Bills, executive vice president of Novell Inc. (NASDAQ: NOVL) added. "We're very enthusiastic about Motorola's new wireless technology. At Novell, our mission is to move the network computing industry forward. We believe that the Motorola technology will make a significant contribution to the evolution of the network computing market and will result in overall industry growth."

Novell Inc. develops NetWare systems software products that manage and control

the sharing of data across a variety of network computing environments, including computer workgroups, departmental newtorks and business-wide information systems.

The system technology is based on a microcellular communications newtork architecture using very low power 18-GHz radio as the data transmission medium. Motorola's use of this licensed frequency is made possible by the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) April 1990 rulemaking changes that allow the application of low power radio communictions inside buildings using the 18-GHz Digital Termination Service band.

This largely unused portion of the electromagnetic spectrum is ideal for networked communications within buildings. This frequency offers clear, interference-free, and uncrowded spectrum, enough bandwidth (or data carrying capacity) to handle higher data speeds expected of future systems, sufficient signal separation to ensure reliable performance and data integrity, and propagation characteristics well suited to low-power, in-building networks where high spectrum reuse is a critical issue. (Spectrum reuse refers to reuse of the same frequencies by multiple sets of different users who, by definition, are near each other, e.g., on different floors, or parts of floors of an office building.)

Although the FCC's rulemaking changes provided the spectrum needed to, ultimately, use WIN technology, Motorola still had to overcome significant technical hurdles associated with equipment size, expense, and complexity of traditional 18-GHz radio systems. Motorola has developed solutions to the fundamental technical challenges facing a workable 18-GHz in-building communications network technology. Four key technologies are at the heart of the system. No single technology solved one specific barrier, but rather, each patented Motorola solution overcame a combination of technical problems.

Motorola's new WIN initiative is yet another logical step in the company's long-term vision of a wireless world. "Over the next 20 years, we will witness a 'wireless evolution' in professional and personal communications," according to Edward F. Staiano, president of Motorola's General Systems Sector. "Advances in technology will drive this evolution and free us from the 'bonds' of wire that today restrict our movements and interaction," Staiano continued. "As the world's largest supplier of wireless communications devices, Motorola is uniquely positioned to shape this vision. The WIN technology is but our first step towards wireless communications inside buildings."

Motorola is the world's leading designer, manufacturer, and supplier of cellular systems, infrastructure equipment, and subscriber products. It is also a leading provider of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets, including two-way automotive and industrial electronic equipment, computers, data communications, and information processing and handling equipment. Motorola was a winner of the first annual

Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award in 1988, in recognition of its superior company-wide management of quality processes.

Technical White Paper, Radio Primer, and Group Backgrounder available upon request. Motorola is a registered trademark of Motorola Inc.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Forest Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: FRX), an international pharmaceutical manufacturer and marketer, today reported record revenues and earnings for its second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the quarter increased 21 percent to $9,078,000 from the $7,509,000 reported in the second quarter of the prior year. Fully diluted net income per share equalled $.44 in the current year as compared to $.36 in last year's second fiscal quarter.

For the quarter, net revenues increased 16 percent to $42,421,000 from $36,483,000 based on an increase of 17 percent in net sales and a reduction in research revenues.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, income before taxes increased 38 percent to $25,065,000 from the $18,147,000 reported in the first six months of the prior year. After allowing for the $1,875,000 of non-recurring merger related costs reported in last year's six months, income before taxes would have increased 25 percent. Net income increased 33 percent to $17,348,000 from $13,080,000 reported in the six months of the prior year. Fully diluted net income per share equalled $.83 in the current year's first six months as compared to $.64 in last year's six months.

For the first six months of the current year, net revenues increased 18 percent to $83,712,000 from $70,755,000.

Howard Solomon, president of Forest, said, "The second quarter increases in revenues and income resulted from continued demand for the company's principal promoted branded products." Solomon noted that "Sales of AeroBid (R) and Aerochamber (R) were particularly strong as the trend toward the use of metered dose inhaled steroids as first line therapy in the treatment of asthma continues to gain momentum."

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DETROIT (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Detroit Edison Board of Directors today elected Robert J. Buckler, 41, vice president - Divisions, effective Dec. 1. Buckler currently is manager of the utility's Executive Council Staff.

John M. Wisniewski, 46, manager of the company's Wayne-Monroe Division since 1986, has been named to replace Buckler as manager of the Executive Council Staff.

The vice president - Divisions position has not existed since the company's Division Organization and Marketing department were consolidated to become Energy Marketing and Distribution in 1988.

In his new position, Buckler will oversee operation of the company's six geographic divisions and have responsibility for energy sales, customer service, line construction and maintenance, and distribution system engineering and planning. He will report to Willard R. Holland, senior vice president - Energy Marketing and Distribution.

Buckler joined Detroit Edison in 1974 as an engineer in the company's Generation Engineering special projects group. He progressed through a variety of management positions in the utility's operations, including Fuel Supply, Fermi 2 construction, Production, Division Organization and Planning. He was named director, Executive Council Staff in 1988 and manager of the group the following year.

Buckler received a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering in 1971 and a master's of science degree in mechanical engineering in 1973, both from the University of Michigan. A registered professional engineer, he is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the Engineering Society of Detroit. He also is active in numerous community activities.

Buckler, his wife Victoria, and their two children live in Grosse Pointe.

In his new position, Wisniewski will be responsible for management of the Executive Council Staff and the coordination of major studies and policy development for senior management. Wisniewski will report to John E. Lobbia, chairman and chief executive officer.

Wisniewski joined Detroit Edison in 1967 as an assistant engineer in Engineering Design and Services. He has held management positions in the company's Technical Systems, Administrative Systems, Division Organization, Nuclear Operations, Corporate Planning and Production areas.

Wisniewski received a bachelor's degree in architecture from the University of Michigan in 1967 and a master's degree in business administration from the University of Detroit in 1971. He is a member of the Engineering Society of

Detroit and is active in many community organizations.

Wisniewski, his wife Cynthia, and daughter live in Plymouth.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Texaco Inc. (NYSE: TX) announced today consolidated worldwide net income of $381 million, or $1.38 per share, for the third quarter of 1990 versus third quarter 1989 net income of $305 million, or $1.10 per share. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $1,062 million, or $3.78 per share, representing a $126 million, or 13-percent increase, over 1989 net income after excluding the first quarter 1989 restructuring gain of $1,190 million, which resulted primarily from the sale of Texaco Canada Inc. Net income for the first nine months of 1989 including this gain was $2,126 million or $8.19 per share.

	($ Millions)			
	Third Quarter		Nine Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net income excluding restructuring	$381	$305	$1,062	$ 936
Net restructuring gain	-	-	-	1,190
Total net income	$381	$305	$1,062	$2,126

James W. Kinnear, Texaco's President and Chief Executive Officer, stated: "Events in the Middle East caused an uncertain and volatile world oil market and the price of crude oil rose about $23 per barrel, or some 54 cents per gallon during the quarter. While this increase benefitted the company's upstream results, downstream refined product margins declined significantly since July due to the inability of the competitive marketplace to absorb higher crude and product acquisition costs. In the quarter, Texaco's U.S. wholesale gasoline prices increased by less than half of the rise in crude prices. Product-price increases in other key markets also failed to fully reflect increased raw material costs. Texaco's petrochemical results were also impacted by increased raw material costs as well as lower prices and plant downtime."

Texaco's revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $11.0 billion versus $8.4 billion for the same period of 1989. The 1990 third-quarter revenues reflected higher crude oil and product prices as well as increased sales volumes. Revenues for the first nine months of 1990, reflecting higher sales volumes and prices, totalled $28.8 billion as compared to $26.4 billion for the comparative period in 1989, which included a first-quarter before tax gain of $2.1 billion from the sale of Texaco Canada.

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LAKEWOOD, COLO. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - A notable increase in oil production attributable to recent acquisitions and development drilling, combined with higher oil prices, resulted in increased earnings for Plains Petroleum Company (NYSE: PLP). Higher oil revenues more than offset the impact of lower gas volumes sold in the third quarter.

The company announced today third-quarter earnings of $2.9 million or 31 cents per share, up 7 percent from last year's $2.7 million (29 cents per share). Oil volumes doubled to 136,000 barrels, but gas volumes were down 20 percent to 3.9 billion cubic feet due to reduced purchases by the company's major customer. A return to more normal levels for natural gas volumes is expected to occur during the fourth quarter 1990 and for the full year 1991. Plains' revenues increased 8 percent to $10.3 million for the quarter.

For the nine months, results of $10.7 million, or $1.13 per share, were 10 percent ahead of last year's $9.8 million ($1.03 per share). Revenues rose 5 percent to $32 million and cash flow from operations grew 17 percent to $16.8 million for the nine months.

Plains, a Colorado-based company, produces, develops and explores for oil and gas in the midcontinent, Permian Basin, Gulf Coast and Rocky Mountain regions of the United States. The company also maintains offices in Lakin, Kan., and Midland, Texas.

PLAINS PETROLEUM COMPANY

Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Oil and gas revenues	$32,088,000	$30,433,000
Net earnings	10,744,000	9,761,000
Earnings per share	$1.13	$1.03
Shares outstanding	9,525,000	9,498,000
Quarter ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Oil and gas revenues	$10,335,000	$9,571,000
Net earnings	2,936,000	2,727,000
Earnings per share	$0.31	$0.29
Shares outstanding	9,525,000	9,498,000

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NORTH BRUNSWICK, NJ (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Guest Supply, Inc. (NASDAQ: GEST) announced today the sale of Guest International Australia to the division's managing director. Guest International Australia designs, markets, and distributes amenity programs to individual hotels and hotel chains in Australia. The closing took place on Oct. 1, 1990. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Cliff Stanley, president and chief executive officer of Guest Supply, stated, "The Australian division represented a very small portion of Guest Supply's business. Its sale is consistent with our strategy of focusing our resources on penetrating the $2.5 billion U.S. lodging supply market. This transaction will not have any material affect on the financial statements of the company."

Guest Supply's 13 distribution centers in the United States provide customers with one-stop shopping services and rapid delivery of products.

Guest Supply is the leading manufacturer and marketer of toiletries, personal care products, and other amenities, as well as housekeeping and accessory products, to the lodging industry in the United States.

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BOSTON (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Houghton Mifflin Company (NYSE: HTN) today reported gains in revenue and income for the third quarter, ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net sales were $178.8 million, a 6.7 percent increase over last year's $167.5 million. Net income rose 7.8 percent to $26.8 million, or $1.88 per share, compared with $24.9 million, or $1.75 per share, in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales were $345.0 million, a 7.3 percent increase over the $321.5 million recorded in 1989. Net income for the nine months rose 8.9 percent to $26.3 million, or $1.84 per share, from $24.1 million, or $1.70 per share, a year ago. The 1990 nine-month results included a nonrecurring net gain of $4.0 million, or 17 cents per share after taxes.

Nader F. Darehshori, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Educational publishing segment sales rose 6 percent in the third quarter led by the School Division where sales grew at a higher rate. Sales of elementary and secondary school publications both achieved solid gains over last year's third quarter. General publishing segment sales increased 12 percent primarily from sales by international operations including Gollancz, which was purchased in the fourth quarter of last year. Trade & Reference Division sales equaled last year's strong third-quarter performance and Software Division sales were above 1989's third quarter.

Darehshori said, "Earnings for the third quarter were affected by lower than planned college textbook sales and increased editorial and plate expenses associated with the development of new publications for the school and college markets. School and college marketing costs also increased during the quarter. As expected, the company's foreign subsidiaries continued to have a dilutive effect in the third quarter.

"The results for 1990 reflect the major investment the company is making in new publications to address fortune opportunities. The company is introducing for 1991 new elementary school reading and social studies programs as well as expanded lists of secondary school and college publications which will have a positive impact in 1991 and future years."

Darehshori said, "The Trade & Reference Division is expected to achieve good fourth-quarter 1990 sales results, but the continuing high level of college and school publication development and selling costs related to 1991 textbook adoption opportunities is expected to contribute to a fourth-quarter seasonal loss that exceeds historical levels."

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Knogo Corporation (NYSE: KNO) announced today that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 7.5 cents per common share, payable on Dec. 5, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 6, 1990.

Knogo Corporation, founder of the Electronic Article Surveillance (EAS) industry in 1966, is the world's technological leader in the design and manufacture of anti-theft systems for retailers and industry. Its Radio Frequency (RF) and Micro-Magnetic (MM) systems protect retail merchandise and business assets. Knogo's Jensen Data Displayer, when used with Knogo's Surveillor Closed Circuit Video Systems (CCVS), protects retailers against internal shrinkage by recording point-of-sale transactions onto permanent videocassettes making a duplicate of the transaction receipt onto a video record.

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TULSA, OKLA. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Kinark Corporation (AMEX: KIN) announced

today that its board of directors has received an unsolicited letter proposing an acquisition by Steel Partners, L.P. of all outstanding shares of Kinark common stock in a negotiated merger transaction at a per share consideration of $6.50, consisting of $5.50 in cash and shares of a new series of preferred stock designed to have a value of $1.00 per share. Steel Partners has conditioned its proposal on execution of a definitive merger agreement containing appropriate representations, warranties, and closing conditions. Kinark's board of directors will evaluate Steel Partners' proposal.

Kinark Corporation, with corporate headquarters in Tulsa, operates chemical facilities in Chicago and Montgomery, Ala., and supports industrial/commercial construction and metals corrosion protection with galvanizing plants in Denver Louisville, Nashville, St. Louis, Houston and Hurst, Texas.

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LAS COLINAS, TEXAS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - M/A/R/C Inc. (NASDAQ: MARC), a leading provider of marketing services, today reported earnings of $761,000 or $0.28 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company's net income increased 20.7 percent over the $631,000 or $0.21 per share recorded in the same period last year. Revenues reached a quarterly record of $18,304,000 for the recent three months, up 20.5 percent from $15,188,000 in the year-ago period.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, M/A/R/C's net income was $1,329,000 or $0.49 per share on revenues of $35,428,000. In the first half of last fiscal year, earnings were $1,403,000 or $0.47 per share on revenues of $30,417,000. Per share amounts for the recent three-and six-month periods reflected a reduction in common shares outstanding as a result of stock repurchases.

M/A/R/C also announced a plan to reorganize as a holding company, effective Jan. 1, 1991. The firm will be renamed The M/A/R/C Group, and each of its four primary businesses will become a separate, wholly owned subsidiary of the new holding company. These subsidiaries will engage in custom marketing research, market modeling and forecasting, database marketing, and customer satisfaction measurement.

One subsidiary will comprise M/A/R/C's original custom marketing research business. The unit will produce studies that assist customers in developing new products or repositioning existing items, managing marketing information, and creating effective marketing strategies. Peter B. Bogda, currently executive vice president of the parent company, will become president of the subsidiary.

Another new unit will assume responsibility for M/A/R/C's market modeling groups in Dallas, Boston and Chicago. Using the company's proprietary models, the unit will simulate the markets and accurately forecast sales for both new and existing products. The president of this subsidiary will be Gregory J. Totterdale, presently a senior vice president at M/A/R/C.

The third subsidiary will encompass M/A/R/C's database marketing operations. This business will help customers to focus their marketing efforts on the most receptive audiences by assembling databases of the most likely potential consumers for a given product. Senior vice president Jack D. Wolf will become president of this unit.

The final newly created unit will design customer satisfaction programs to identify customers' standards for quality, measure the extent to which a client's products or services meet these standards, and create employee education and training programs to foster quality. Corinne Maginnis, presently a senior vice president, will be named president of the subsidiary.

The reorganization does not require stockholder approval, and is not expected to have an immediate material financial impact on M/A/R/C.

In connection with the corporate restructuring, M/A/R/C said it will change to a fiscal year ending on Dec. 31. The company currently ends its fiscal year on March 31. The change will take effect on Dec. 31, 1990, and results for the prior three years will be restated to conform to the new fiscal year.

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NOVI, MI (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Johnson Controls, Inc. (NYSE: JCI) today unveiled and started up its Plastic Container Recovery Center, the first plastics recycling plant in the U.S. to be operated by a plastic soft drink bottle manufacturer. The new $4 million facility, located in Novi, features a unique, state-of-the-art plastics recycling system that will process more than 140 million used soft drink bottles annually, at full capacity.

"The opening of this plant is an important step forward for Johnson Controls," said James H. Keyes, president and chief executive officer of Johnson Controls. "This facility reaffirms our company's position as a leader in our industry's work to address important environmental concerns. By providing a steady market for used plastic soft drink bottles, we will help support recycling efforts both here in Michigan and in the Midwest."

Johnson Controls also announced its first sale of plastic containers made directly from used plastic bottles processed in the new plant. Amway Corp.,

one of the world's largest network marketing companies, will purchase non-food containers made from recycled plastic recovered at the Johnson Controls Plastic Container Recovery Center. Amway, winner of the United Nations Environment Programme's 1989 Environmental Achievement Award, is one of a growing number of companies nationwide that use recycled materials for packaging non-food items.

The new plant processes polyethylene terephthalate (P.E.T.), the primary material used in making soft drink containers. P.E.T. recovered from used containers is made into yarn for carpets, fiber-fill for clothing, non-food containers, automobile parts, and industrial strapping. The facility also recycles H.D.P.E. plastic soft drink bottle base cups and turns them into new base cups.

"Johnson Controls is the leading supplier of plastic soft drink bottles in the United States and Europe," said Robert D. Gustine, vice president of the Plastic Container Division of Johnson Controls. "With this background of leadership, and the top-grade recycled plastic being produced by this plant, we aim to eventually close the loop on P.E.T. recycling -- making new soft drink bottles from old soft drink bottles."

The equipment in use at the Novi facility is some of the most advanced plastic reclamation technology available. It produces a cleaner recycled plastic flake. The technology was developed by Reko, the recycling subsidiary of DSM, a Dutch resin company, and modified by Johnson Controls for high-volume operations. In addition to operating the recycling facility, Johnson Controls is supporting development work to improve plastics reclamation technology.

Johnson Controls, Inc., headquartered in Milwaukee, is a leader in facility management and control systems, automobile seating, batteries and plastics.

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SOUTHFIELD, MICH. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Bendix Automotive Systems Group (BASG) of Allied-Signal Inc. (NYSE: ALD) today unveiled a long-range plan designed to dramatically improve the firm's ability to compete as a world class leader in the global automotive industry.

Major elements of the plan call for building a new facility on a 177-acre site in Roanoke County, Va., dedicated to producing disc brakes for passenger cars and light trucks, and focusing all future Bendix AntiLock Braking System (ABS) production in an ABS facility opened earlier this year in Clarksville, Tenn.

The new Roanoke Valley facility eventually will supply all of the firm's disc brakes for the North American passenger car/light truck market, according to

William C. King, vice president and group executive of Bendix, the world's leading supplier of brake systems for cars and trucks.

The initial $21 million phase of the facility is scheduled for completion next summer, he said. Construction is scheduled to begin immediately.

The first phase will contain 175,000 square feet, including over 100,000 square feet of production space for four manufacturing cells.

That production space is expected to more than double within the next three to five years, said King, as more and more disc brake programs come on stream.

The plant will begin operations with 30 to 40 employees, increasing to some 300 employees at full production levels, King predicted.

Current Bendix North American disc brake requirements for passenger cars and light trucks are being met by a multi-product manufacturing complex in St. Joseph, Mich., while ABS is produced at both Clarksville and the St. Joseph plant. Those programs will be phased out at St. Joseph over time.

Allied-Signal Inc. is an advanced technology company with businesses in automotive, aerospace and engineered materials.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The NWNL Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: NWNL) has authorized the purchase of approximately 150,000 additional shares of NWNL common stock for the company's employee retirement plan. Purchases will be made in the open market.

Chairman and chief executive officer John E. Pearson said, "We believe that the company's strength and its prospects for future growth are not adequately reflected in our current stock price. Therefore, we see this as an excellent opportunity for our pension plan."

In addition, NWNL will purchase up to 250,000 shares of its common stock as treasury stock. This stock will be reissued in 1991 to fund certain NWNL employee benefit plans.

The NWNL Companies, Inc. is a Minneapolis-based diversified holding company specializing in insurance and financial services.

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#90296p8231 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Equipment Corporation (NYSE: DEC) today announced that it will provide an early binary version of OSF/1 software in the first quarter of calendar year 1991. Digital is providing this advanced development kit in response to the growing interest of end users, software vendors, and academic institutions in early access to OSF/1 technology on the DECstation platform.

Earlier this year, Digital announced that the next major version of its ULTRIX operating system would be based on the OSF/1 technology. According to Domenic J. LaCava, vice president of Digital's UNIX-based Software and Systems Group, "Our customers and partners have enthusiastically endorsed our plans to fully integrate OSF/1 into our ULTRIX product line during 1991. Increasing numbers of customers also have asked for early access to OSF/1 code so they can begin to align their own investments with this exciting technology. The addition of an advanced development kit reinforces Digital's commitment to OSF our customers, and our partners, and establishes us as the leading systems integrator of OSF technology. Digital is clearly committed to providing the entire range of OSF technology, which includes the OSF/1 base operating system the OSF/Motif graphical user interface, the Distributed Computing Environment and the future Distributed Management Environment."

LaCava added that "OSF's announcement of the general availability of OSF/1 is a major milestone for open systems. With OSF/1, OSF/Motif, and the Distributed Computing Environment, OSF has clearly demonstrated the strength of their technology and the strength of the open process. OSF has kept the promise they made to the industry at their founding. They have accelerated the pace of open systems and ensured that open systems are built on the very best technology available in the industry."

Digital Equipment Corporation, headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

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#90296p8233 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Morgan Stanley Group Inc. (NYSE: MS) today announced net income of $71.9 million, or $1.82 per common share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $101.1 million, or $2.54 per common share, in the same period of 1989. Net revenues (gross revenues less interest expense) for the period were $588.0 million vs. $582.4 million in the third quarter of 1989. Revenues during the 1989 period included a pre-tax gain of $56.2 million from the restructuring of Burlington Holdings Inc.

The company also announced the declaration by its board of directors of a regular quarterly dividend of 37-1/2 cents per share. The dividend is payable Nov. 20, 1990, to holders of record Nov. 2, 1990.

Consolidated net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $212.1 million, or $5.33 per share. Net revenues for the nine-month period were $1,670.4 million. Comparable 1989 period results were net income of $294.4 million, earnings per share of $7.40 and net revenues of $1,748.1 million. In addition to the Burlington investment gain, revenues for the nine-month period in 1989 also include a pre-tax gain of $51.5 million, principally from the restructurings of the firm's investments in Essex Group Inc. and the Silgan Corporation.

S. Parker Gilbert, chairman, Richard B. Fisher, president, and Robert F. Greenhill, vice chairman, said in a joint statement:

"Morgan Stanley's performance in the third quarter reflects an absence of merchant banking investment revenues as well as a decline in investment banking activity. Revenues from global sales and trading of fixed income products were significantly higher, while our financial results also benefitted from strong performances in foreign exchange, commodities and equity trading."

Total capital (stockholders' equity and long-term debt) at Sept. 30, 1990, was $3.1 billion, including $1.9 billion of common stockholders' equity. Book value per common share was $50.71, based on quarter-end shares and share equivalents of 36,593,936.

Morgan Stanley Group Inc. is a major international securities firm with offices in New York, London, Tokyo and other principal financial centers.

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HADDONFIELD, N.J. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - United Medical Corp. (AMEX: UM), of Haddonfield, today announced that its board of directors approved the payment of a quarterly dividend of $.05 per share of common stock payable Nov. 15, 1990, to holders of record as of Nov. 2.

UM, through its subsidiaries, offers health and research services and products which includes Holter and pacemaker monitoring, comprehensive medical services for corporate clients, new drug applications, and the manufacture and sale of motorized treadmills.

UM said it expects to announce third quarter 1990 earnings prior to the end of this month.

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DALLAS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Southland Corporation announced today that its previously announced exchange offers have been extended until noon New York time today. The extension is necessary to allow the company's exchange agent additional time to tabulate votes pertaining to the company's solicitation of acceptances for a prepackaged reorganization plan. Preliminary results indicate necessary approvals of that plan by each affected class. The exchange offers may be further extended if necessary to continue the tabulation. Southland expects to announce the results of that solicitation later today.

As of midnight on Oct. 22, the following securities had been tendered: 13-1/2 percent Senior Extendible Reset Notes -- approximately 94 percent; 15-3/4 percent Senior Subordinated Notes -- approximately 94 percent; 16-1/2 percent Senior Subordinated Discount Notes -- approximately 80 percent; 16-3/4 percent Subordinated Debentures -- approximately 61 percent; 18 percent Junior Subordinated Discount Debentures -- approximately 52 percent; and 15 percent Cumulative Exchangeable Preferred Stock -- approximately 95 percent.

In addition, Southland and its long-time business partners, Ito- Yokado Co., Ltd. and Seven-Eleven Japan Co., Ltd., announced today that they have entered into a new stock purchase agreement that would permit Southland to file and seek confirmation of its prepackaged reorganization plan under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. Among other things, the stock purchase agreement provides for the purchase of 70 percent of Southland's common stock for $430 million. The stock purchase agreement is contingent upon, among other things consummation of Southland's restructuring on or before March 15, 1991.

CONTACT: Cecilia Stubbs Norwood of The Southland Corporation, 214-828-7272, or Lynn Guggenheimer of Sawyer Miller Group, 214-828-7217, for The Southland Corporation

-30- 2121

#90296p8246 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Peerless Manufacturing Co. (NASDAQ: PMFG), Dallas, manufacturer of separators and filters used in the petroleum and chemical processing industries, and environmental protection equipment, today announced sales and earnings for its fiscal 1991 first quarter.

Earnings for the period were $346,758, or $.24 per share, compared to earnings

of $43,533, or $.03 per share, in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. However, the majority of the latest quarters earnings were due to the cumulative effect of-an accounting change (see notes). Incoming orders for the quarter approximated $5,241,000. Backlog of orders grew from $12.7 million to $13,470,000 during the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

Peerless had declared its regular cash quarterly dividend of $0.125 per share to shareholders of record Nov. 16, 1990, and payable on Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Don Sillers Jr., chairman and CEO, or D.H. Newman, corporate secretary, of Peerless Manufacturing, 214-357-6181/

-30- 1169

#90296p8251 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLUTE, TX (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Benchmark Electronics, Inc. (AMEX: BHE) today reported earnings for the nine months and three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Earnings for the nine months increased 49 percent and sales were up 22 percent over the same period last year.

For the nine months, Benchmark earned $1,549,000, or 63 cents per share, on net sales of $16,309,000. For the comparable period last year, the company reported net earnings of $1,041,000, or 50 cents per share, on net sales of $13,413,000.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Benchmark earned $512,000, or 16 cents per share, on net sales of $5,108,000. Earnings for the third quarter last year totaled $485,000, or 23 cents per share, on sales of $5,240,000.

"We have a very healthy backlog, with bookings from many new customers as well as from existing customers. Also, we are seeing especially strong interest from the oil and gas industry," reported president Don Nigbor. "The slight decrease in sales reported for the quarter resulted strictly from the timing of product shipments to customers."

The company has changed its common stock trading symbol on the American Stock Exchange to BHE from BEI, effective Oct. 23, 1990. The change should eliminate the confusion resulting from an unrelated company whose name was similar to Benchmark's symbol.

Benchmark Electronics, Inc., provides manufacturing services to original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) in the electronics industry, including manufacturers of communications equipment, business computers, testing equipment, medical devices and industrial instruments. The company's initial public offering of 1,100,000 shares of common stock was completed in July 1990.

CONTACT: Don Nigbor, president, or Cary Fu, chief financial officer, of Benchmark Electronics, 409-265-0991

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#90296p8258 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The General Motors Cancer Research Foundation will sponsor its second annual International Biomedical Science Journalism competition to award three $10,000 prizes for excellence in print and electronic coverage of cancer and cancer research during 1990.

Entry requirements and forms may be obtained by writing to the General Motors Cancer Research Foundation, 26th floor, 767 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y., 10153, or by calling 212-418-3568.

"The GM awards aim to encourage quality in science reporting and heighten public awareness and understanding of cancer," said General Motors CEO Robert C. Stempel.

Dr. Joseph G. Fortner the foundation's president, added, "The public needs to be alerted to important advances in cancer research, better preventive and diagnostic methods and new treatments."

Award winners are selected in three categories: newspapers and wire services periodicals and broadcast. Entries must be about cancer or cancer research (including basic science of relevance to cancer) and must have appeared in a national or local mass-communication medium oriented to a lay, non-technical audience. The awards will be presented at a special ceremony in April 1991.

Awards committee members include Walter L. Cronkite, CBS TV; Bill D. Moyers, Public Affairs Television; Tom Johnson, Cable News Network; Joan Konner, Columbia University School of Journalism; and Fortner. Entries will be judged by their significance and value in promoting public knowledge and understanding of cancer, their scientific accuracy, originality, clarity of presentation and initiative.

Winners of the 1989 journalism awards were Donald C. Drake of the Philadelphia Inquirer, Shannon Mililani Brownlee of U.S. News & World Report, Michael Skoler of National Public Radio, and a team from Nippon Hoso Kyokai (NHK), Japan Broadcasting Corporation.

For more than a decade, the General Motors Cancer Research Foundation has honored distinguished scientists working to understand and conquer cancer. The journalism awards extend the foundation's work to those who play a critical role in public awareness.

CONTACT: William B. Winters of the General Motors Cancer Research Foundation, 212-418-6380, or Patricia Molino of Molino + Associates, 212-689-7370, for the General Motors Cancer Research Foundation

-30- 2562
#90296p8263 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODCLIFF LAKE, N.J. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Ingersoll-Rand Company (NYSE: IR) today reported 1990 third-quarter net earnings of $40.2 million, or 78 cents per share, compared to 1989 third-quarter net earnings of $44.3 million, or 82 cents per share. Net earnings for the quarter include $3.6 million, or seven cents per share, of currency transaction losses versus a $3 million loss or one cent per share, in last year's third quarter.

Sales for the quarter were $936.6 million, an 11 percent increase over last year's third quarter. Operating income was $77.6 million, or $2.6 million higher than the $75 million reported for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Operating income margins were affected by a softening in domestic demand in construction-related businesses. Worldwide, incoming orders totaled $934 million, almost 12 percent above the $837 million in new orders booked in the prior year's third quarter.

For the first nine months of the year, the New Jersey-based manufacturer posted net earnings of $139.6 million, or $2.67 per share, on sales of $2.8 billion. This compares to last year's nine-month net income from operations of $137.4 million or $2.56 per share, on sales of $2.6 billion. During the first quarter of 1989, the company reported an extraordinary tax benefit of approximately $8.5 million, or 17 cents per share, due to a reduction of income taxes through the utilization of a capital loss carryforward associated with the sale of the company's finance subsidiary.

Theodore H. Black, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, stated that while the 11-percent sales increase for the quarter was broad based, decreases of less than 10 percent were reported by the company's Door Hardware and Industrial Process Machinery groups.

Black noted that quarterly sales increased by seven percent in the Standard Machinery segment, but pressure on margins in the Construction Equipment Group lowered the segment's operating income to $26.8 million, 17 percent below 1989's third-quarter performance.

Engineered Equipment segment sales for the quarter were about equal to the prior year, with softness in industrial process machinery products being offset by increased pump shipments. Both groups reported quarterly operating income improvements.

In the company's Bearings, Locks and Tools segment, sales were approximately 17 percent higher than in last year's third quarter. Acquisitions accounted for roughly half of the increase. Operating income for the quarter increased slightly more than 10 percent. The February 1990 Aro acquisition, together with improved operations in the Production Equipment Group and continued improvements in the Fafnir Bearings division more than offset the effects of a

lower domestic automotive production schedule and a poor housing market.

Results for the third quarter were favorably affected the operations of the Dresser-Rand joint venture, which contributed over $3 million of additional pretax income to the company's quarter-to-quarter comparison.

CONTACT: Richard D. Johnson, 201-573-3087, or Paul A. Dickard, 201-573-3291, both of Ingersoll-Rand

-30- 3363

#90296p8268 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Pursuant to a Consent Judgement, GSX Chemical Services of Ohio, Inc. will permanently close its waste management facility located at 7415 Bessemer Ave. in Cleveland.

Effective immediately, no waste will be received at the facility, and no waste will be treated except to comply with final and complete closure plans approved and monitored by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

The Bessemer Avenue facility was acquired by GSX Chemical Services, Inc., now Laidlaw Environmental Services Inc., in February 1988. Approximately eighty individuals from the Cleveland area were employed at the facility.

CONTACT: Dan E. Jones of Laidlaw Environmental Services Inc., 803-798-2993

-30- 905

#90296p8269 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Tandy Corporation (NYSE: TAN) announced today that consolidated sales and operating revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were $1,090,286,000, an increase of 11 percent over the year earlier sales and operating revenues of $985,977,000. Net income per average common share for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was $.65 compared to $.73 reported for the year earlier period. Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $52,243,000 compared to $62,754,000 in the same quarter of the prior year.

John V. Roach, chairman and CEO commented, "Given the uncertain retail environment in the wake of the Middle East crisis, we began to clear Radio Shack's inventories of certain discontinued consumer items and computer models prior to the holiday selling season. Clearance sales of these discontinued items were strong and negatively influenced gross margin and earnings in the period."

CONTACT: Philip M. Bradtmiller, director of investor relations of Tandy, 817-390-3730

-30- 1215

#90296p8270 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODLAND HILLS, CALIF. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Pacific Mint Inc. (NASDAQ: MINT) announced that revenues for the nine months expanded to a record $39,355,753 from the year earlier period of $14,384,114. For the three months, revenues were $14,016,131 versus $7,738,993 for the equivalent 1989 period. Reported earnings for the nine months reflect a reduction in operating losses $104,910 versus $615,866 in the year earlier period.

Management indicated that it expects to earn a profit for the fourth quarter as well as for the full year. Management further expressed confidence in the improving financial health of the enterprise. Total current liabilities for the nine month period declined from $1,335,170 to $550,879 and long term debt declined to $976,323 from $1,224,849. The company's current ratio increased to 2.5 to 1. In addition, shareholders equity increased to $1,231,001 from $872,568.

THE AMERICAN PACIFIC MINT INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

	Three months ended Sept. 30,		Nine months ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$14,016,131	$7,738,993	$39,355,753	$14,384,114
Net income (loss)	($19,382)	$8,784	($104,910)	($615,866)
Net income (loss) per share	---	---	($0.02)	($0.15)

CONTACT: Robert L. Zuber, chief financial officer of The American Pacific Mint Inc., 818-799-5546

-30- 1691

#90296p8273 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Pizza Hut(R) and King World Productions Inc. (NYSE: KWP) today announced an agreement in principle to launch a $25 million promotional tie-in for King World's new production of "Candid Camera." "Candid Camera," hosted by Dom DeLuise, will premiere in September 1991. The announcement was made today by Michael King, president and chief executive officer of King World, and Stephen H. Davis, vice president of marketing for Pizza Hut.

"We firmly believe that 'Candid Camera' is the blockbuster hit of the 90s. This show will delight people of all ages and is a perfect fit for a tie-in with Pizza Hut," Davis stated. "We are thrilled to be partners with King World -- the undisputed leading syndicator in the industry today," he added.

King commented, "Pizza Hut is the largest pizza restaurant and delivery system in the world today with 7,500 units in all 50 states and 60 foreign countries. The depth and reach of Pizza Hut's promotional tie-in with 'Candid Camera,' which will include national spots on our client television stations, national promotional support on radio and in print, and in-store promotion, will be astonishing. We have a sensational show and a hugely powerful sponsor -- surely a winning combination."

"Candid Camera," a King World production in association with Vin Di Bona Productions, will debut in September 1991. The show will run Monday through Friday. Multitalented, internationally acclaimed actor/comedian Dom DeLuise will host "Candid Camera." Vin Di Bona, renowned executive producer of "America's Funniest Home Videos" and a four-time Emmy winner, is executive producer.

King World is the leading distributor of first-run programming, including "Wheel of Fortune," "Jeopardy!" and "The Oprah Winfrey Show," the three highest rated series in first-run syndication, and "Inside Edition," the sixth-highest rated syndicated strip, and "Instant Recall," both produced by the company. King World also distributes its own library of 68 feature films and 210 television programs, and through its barter subsidiary, Camelot Entertainment Sales Inc., sells national advertising for King World and The Disney Company television programming. In addition, King World is the owner of WIVB-TV, the CBS affiliate in Buffalo, N.Y.

CONTACT: Allyson Kossow of King World, 212-315-4000, or Roger Rydell of Pizza Hut, 316-681-9032

-30- 2611

#90296p8281 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLEE, MONT. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Montana Naturals International Inc. (NASDAQ: MTNA) announced its third-quarter results today. The company reported a net profit of $45,939 for the quarter, as compared to a net loss of $118,145 for the same period in 1989, as restated. For the first nine months of 1990, the company reported a net profit of $14,490 compared to a loss of $451,068 for the first nine months of 1989, as restated.

Revenues were up 4.21 percent from $698,198 in the third quarter of 1989 to $727,596 for the third quarter of 1990. Revenues were up 8.06 percent from $2,028,738 in the first nine months of 1989 to $2,192,175 for the first nine months of 1990.

MONTANA NATURALS INTERNATIONAL INC.

Three months ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	Percent Increase
Net sales	$727,596	$ 698,198	4.21

Net income (loss)	$ 45,939	$(118,145)	138.88
Income (loss) per share	$ 0.01	$ (0.05)	

Nine months ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	Percent Increase
Net sales	$2,192,175	$2,028,738	8.06
Net income (loss)	$ 14,490	$ (451,068)	103.21
Income (loss) per share	--	$ (0.20)	
Weighted average number of common shares	4,325,329	2,275,329	

Montana Naturals is a Montana corporation engaged in the manufacturing and marketing of nutritional supplements for domestic and international distribution. The company became a public corporation through a successful public offering in September 1987, and was approved for listing on the NASDAQ system on Aug. 31, 1988.

According to company President and Chief Executive Officer Ronald O. Hauge, the profitability increase is a result of decreased payroll and increased efficiency throughout the company. Hauge expects the company to finish the year with a healthy increase in revenues and respectable profits.

CONTACT: Les Brooks of Montana Naturals International Inc., 406-726-3214

-30- 2329

#90296p8283 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

FENTON, MO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The 2.5 millionth Chrysler-built minivan rolled off the company's St. Louis Assembly Plant II line in Fenton today during a ceremony attended by company and union officials.

Mrs. Montserrat Lau, a first-time buyer of Chrysler Corporation products, accepted the keys to the 1991 Dodge Grand Caravan LE from Robert Boling, president of UAW Local 110, and Robert A. Lutz, president of Chrysler Motors. Mrs. Lau ordered the two-tone platinum silver/dark quartz long wheelbase minivan from Greg Nelson Chrysler-Plymouth-Dodge in Marysville, Ohio.

The 2.5 millionth minivan features 3.3-liter multi-point fuel injected engine, electronic speed control, four-speed automatic transmission, air conditioning, power windows, door locks and driver seat, and P205/70R15 WSW tires.

St. Louis II has produced about 700,000 long wheelbase minivans since it first started production in March 1987. Its sister plant in Windsor, Ontario, has produced over 1.8 million short wheelbase minivans since October 1983 when Chrysler introduced its first minivans and created a whole new market segment. Chrysler continues to dominate the segment with 45 percent of the total minivan sales in the 1990 model year.

In addition to the Dodge Grand Caravan, St. Louis II produces the Plymouth

Grand Voyager, Chrysler Town & Country and extended Dodge Caravan C/V vans. St. Louis II completed a $62 million, four-week model changeover in September.

CONTACT: Alan Miller or Doug Nicoll of Chrysler, (313) 956-2894.

-30- 1723

#90296p8284 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Washington Post Company (NYSE: WPO) today reported net income of $37.5 million for the third quarter of 1990, a decrease of 16.2 percent from net income of $44.8 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings per share declined 10.3 percent to $3.14, from $3.50 in the 1989 third quarter, with a smaller number of shares outstanding this year.

Revenue for the third quarter of 1990 was $348.7 million, up almost 1 percent from $346.3 million in the comparable 1989 period.

Operating income declined 12.6 percent to $62.6 million, from $71.7 million in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company's net income was $132.5 million ($10.90 per share), compared with net income of $146.8 million ($11.44 per share) in the same period of 1989. Net income and earnings per share for the first three quarters of 1990 declined 9.7 percent and 4.7 percent, respectively, from the comparable period last year.

Revenue for the first three quarters of 1990 was $1,069.2 million, a 1 percent gain over revenue of $1,062.7 million in the first nine months of 1989.

Reflecting growing weakness in the local Washington advertising environment, newspaper division revenue decreased 7.1 percent in the third quarter of 1990 (3 percent in the first nine months) from the comparable period last year. Advertising volume at The Washington Post totaled 957,600 inches in the third quarter of 1990, down 14.7 percent from 1,122,800 inches in the third quarter of 1989. Post linage declined 10.1 percent in the first nine months of 1990 to 3,139,100 inches, from 3,490,100 inches in the first nine months of 1989.

Revenue at the broadcast division was essentially even with the third quarter last year and down 3.9 percent in the first nine months of 1990.

Newsweek revenue increased 7.4 percent in the third quarter of 1990 and 2.8 percent in the first nine months, with the publication of one additional issue in the third quarter (two additional issues in the first nine months) compared with the 1989 third quarter.

Cable division revenue increased 14.1 percent in the third quarter and 12.2

percent in the first nine months of 1990.

Revenue from other businesses (Stanley H. Kaplan Educational Center and Legi-Slate) rose 20.2 percent in the third quarter and 17.6 percent in the first three quarters of 1990.

During the third quarter of 1990, the company's equity in earnings of affiliates declined to $0.1 million ($5.7 million in the first nine months), compared with $1.9 million ($7.4 million in the first nine months) last year. Substantially lower earnings at the company's newsprint affiliates, partially offset by higher earnings at Cowles Media Company (which included gains on the sales of two small newspapers), were the major contributors to the change during the first nine months of 1990.

CONTACT: Guyon Knight of The Washington Post Company, 202-334-6642

-30- 3162

#90296p8285 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MADISON, N.J. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Schering-Plough Corporation (NYSE: SGP) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 28 cents per common share. Payment will be made on Nov. 19, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 2, 1990. As of Sept. 30, 1990, there were approximately 226,898,000 common shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Steve Galpin, Jr. of Schering-Plough, 201-822-7415

-30- 603

#90296p8293 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORFOLK, VA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Norfolk Southern Corporation (NYSE: NSC) today declared the regular quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share on its common stock, payable on December 10 to stockholders of record on November 2.

CONTACT: R.C. Fort, Assistant Vice President, 804-629-2714, or J. Don Piedmont, Director, 703-981-5407, Public Relations Department, Norfolk Southern Corporation

-30- 572

#90296p8294 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, CALIF. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Walt Disney Studios announced today it has formed Touchwood Pacific Partners I to provide $600 million for its upcoming motion picture production.

Touchwood Pacific Partners I will take the form of a U.S. limited partnership to finance live action films of the Walt Disney Studios, including its Disney, Touchstone and Hollywood Pictures units.

The $600 million financing will be based on $180 million of equity proceeds from the sale of limited partnership interests by Yamaichi General Finance Company, an affiliate of Yamaichi Securities, one of the leading Japanese securities firms.

In addition a $420 million non-recourse credit facility has been underwritten by a group of international banks including The Fuji Bank, Ltd., The Long-Term Credit Bank Of Japan Ltd., and Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company, led by Citibank N.A. as agent.

Touchwood Pacific Partners I will be the primary financier for all of Disney's live action films once Silver Screen IV funds are utilized.

It is The Walt Disney Company's (NYSE: DIS) first major film financing in Japan.

CONTACT: Erwin Okun, Sr. VP of The Walt Disney Company, 818-560-5400

-30- 1362

#90296p8296 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODLAND HILLS, CALIF. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Pacific Mint Inc. (NASDAQ: MINT) announced that revenues for the nine months expanded to a record $39,355,753 from the year earlier period of $14,384,114. For the three months, revenues were $14,016,131 versus $7,738,993 for the equivalent 1989 period. Reported earnings for the nine months reflect a reduction in operating losses $104,910 versus $615,866 in the year earlier period.

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CONTACT: Robert L. Zuber, chief financial officer of The American Pacific Mint Inc., 818-799-5546

-30- 1735

#90296p8298 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Fleming Companies (NYSE: FLM) today declared an increased quarterly dividend of 28 cents per common share, a 12 percent increase over the previous amount of 25 cents. The dividend will be payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 20.

The new annual dividend rate will be $1.12 per share vs. the previous rate of $1 per share.

Fleming is the nation's largest wholesale food distributor, serving more than 5,000 stores in 36 states from coast to coast.

CONTACT: Ron Frost of Fleming Companies, 405-840-7200

-30- 759

#90296p8299 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLYMOUTH, MI (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Highland Superstores, Inc. (NASDAQ: HIGH) reported September 1990 sales of $63.6 million, down 11 percent from September 1989 sales of $71.8 million. Comparable store sales declined 14 percent for the month.

Highland Superstores, Inc., headquartered in Plymouth (Detroit), is one of the largest volume specialty retailers of consumer electronics and appliances in the United States. The company currently operates 92 retail stores in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, New York and Texas.

CONTACT: Ira Mondry or Yale Levin of Highland Superstores, Inc., 313-451-3520

-30- 843

#90296p8301 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - American Aircraft Corp. (NASDAQ: AARC) has announced that John Brennan (Col. Ret. U.S.M.C.) and Charles H. Pitman (Lt. Gen. Ret. U.S.M.C.) have joined AAC as consultants for marketing and liaison for Legislative-D.O.D. relations as well as for aerospace industry and foreign entity negotiations.

Brennan, prior to retirement, was Assistant to the President in the White House (Nixon Administration).

Pitman was head of Marine Corps Aviation in the three years prior to his retirement August 1990.

Both Brennan and Pitman have already made substantial contributions to AAC by enhancing relationships with certain military entities and major aerospace firms.

CONTACT: John J. Carney of American Aircraft Corp., 213-595-0701

-30- 955

#90296p8302 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Kerr-McGee Corp.'s (NYSE: KMG) net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $43.1 million, or 86 cents per share, compared with net income from continuing operations of $18.9 million, or 39 cents per share, in the 1989 third quarter.

For the first nine months, net income was $100.3 million, or $2 per share, compared with net income from continuing operations of $87.9 million, or $1.81 per share, for the 1989 period.

Sales for the third quarter were $986 million, a 32 percent increase from $750 million for the 1989 third quarter. For the first nine months, sales were $2.644 billion, up from $2.288 billion in the like period last year.

Higher prices for Kerr-McGee's crude oil, improved refining and marketing wholesale margins, and higher refined product sales volumes were major contributors to increased operating profit for the third quarter, compared with the like 1989 period, said Frank A. McPherson, chairman and chief executive officer.

Refining and marketing margins, which had improved significantly in the second quarter of 1990, rose again in the third quarter, McPherson noted. Margins began to deteriorate toward the end of the quarter, however, as the cost of crude oil increased faster than sales prices of refined products. For the nine months, refining and marketing operating profit was down slightly from the like 1989 period.

Operating profit decreased for coal due primarily to lower average sales prices. Chemical operations reported decreased operating profit due to an environmental charge.

Kerr-McGee's production of crude oil averaged 47,100 barrels per day in the third quarter, compared with 48,900 barrels per day in the 1989 third quarter. Crude oil prices averaged $22.64 per barrel in the third quarter, up 34 percent from $16.85 in the 1989 third quarter.

Natural gas deliveries in the third quarter were 239 million cubic feet per

day, approximately the same as in the third quarter last year. The company's average natural gas sales price was $1.34 per thousand cubic feet, down from $1.51 in the 1989 third quarter.

Cash flow from operations was $134 million in the third quarter, compared with $97 million in the 1989 period. Capital expenditures in the third quarter were $146 million, compared with $93 million in the like 1989 quarter.

CONTACT: Dow Dozier of Kerr-McGee Corp., 405-270-2877

-30- 2602

#90296p8305 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Santa Fe Pacific Corporation (NYSE: SFX) today declared an annual dividend on the company's common stock of 10 cents per share, payable Nov. 16, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business Nov. 6.

CONTACT: Public Relations Department of Santa Fe Pacific, 312-786-6268

-30- 509

#90296p8306 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORT WASHINGTON, NY (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Nytest Environmental Inc. (NEI)(NASDAQ: NYTS) today announced record third quarter revenues of over $1,700,000. Total revenues for the first three quarters were over $4,700,000.

A new directive effective Sept. 25, 1990, from the Environmental Protection Agency requires all large quantity generators, treatment, storage and disposal facilities to characterize their wastes using new extraction techniques, increasing dramatically the cost per test.

NEI is prepared to accommodate the Environmental Protection requirements. Additional revenues are anticipated as a result of these regulations.

CONTACT: Gerald J. Harvey of Nytest, 800-433-0008

-30- 870

#90296p8312 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

LINDSTROM, MN (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas Luedtke, president of O-Jay, Inc., Lindstrom, Minn., announced today that O-Jay is in the process of completing negotiations with Russia for the purpose of distributing its line of juice products throughout the Soviet Union.

In addition to individualized four and six ounce containers, O-Jay plans to

distribute its quart, half-gallon, and bulk juice products as well. The size of the contracts were not disclosed, but Luedtke indicated that O-Jay's current plant and facilities were adequate to meet the anticipated demand.

CONTACT: Thomas Luedtke of O-Jay, Inc., 612-462-7111

-30- 809

#90296p8313 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARDMORE, OKLA. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Noble Affiliates, Inc. (NYSE: NBL), today declared a quarterly cash dividend of four cents per common share, payable Nov. 19, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 5, 1990.

Noble Affiliates, Inc. is an independent energy company with exploration and production operations throughout major basins in the United States, including the Gulf of Mexico and offshore California, as well as foreign operations primarily in Canada, Tunisia and Indonesia.

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NORTHBROOK, IL (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting held today, the directors of Woodhead Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: WDHD), headquartered in Northbrook, Ill. voted a quarterly dividend of 17 cents per share. The dividend is payable in cash on Nov. 20, 1990 to stockholders of record Nov. 6.

Woodhead Industries, Inc. manufactures electrical and mechanical products for worldwide use by a broad range of industries.

CONTACT: Robert J. Tortorello, general counsel and secretary of Woodhead Industries, 708-272-8181

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PAOLI, PA. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Ametek Inc. (NYSE: AME) today reported the highest third quarter sales in the company's history, 13 percent above last year's third quarter totals, while net income was slightly ahead of 1989 results.

Ametek's sales for the three months ended Sept. 30 were $165.2 million, producing net income of $8.85 million or 20 cents per share, compared to the $8.78 million earned in last year's third quarter, which also equaled 20 cents per share.

"Net figures obscure the fact that our manufacturing divisions were 15 percent more profitable in this year's third quarter," Ametek's President and Chief Executive Officer Walter E. Blankley noted. "The Precision Instruments and Electro-mechanical groups, strengthened by our recent acquisitions of aircraft and process instrument businesses and a major European electric motor manufacturer, produced all of the gains in sales and operating income. Net income this year was reduced by higher interest costs, while the 1989 third quarter net included a $1.2 million pretax gain on the sale of a plastics compounding plant," Blankley said.

The first nine months of 1990 show sales reaching an all-time record for the diversified manufacturer at $491.7 million, up 13 percent from the previous year's $435.8 million total for the nine months. The 1990 sales total was increased by additional volume from the several businesses acquired in the past year and reduced somewhat by Ametek's sale of a computer graphics business early in the second quarter of this year.

Net income in the current nine months, reduced by a less profitable first quarter than in 1989, totaled $29.1 million or 66 cents per share, compared to $31 million or 70 cents per share earned in the first three quarters of 1989.

Profits have lagged this year due to slower demand in automotive markets for the company's instruments as well as its engineering plastics, Blankley noted. "We've also incurred substantial costs stemming from the move of one of the aircraft instruments businesses purchased last year, from New Jersey to our major instrument plant in Pennsylvania, and from a recently imposed tax on the use of certain materials in our plastics packaging business. Those cost problems are being resolved at our instrument plant," Blankley said, "and we're in the process of converting the plastics packaging plant to use other materials."

Early in the third quarter of this year, Ametek completed the purchase of a leading European appliance motor manufacturer, Ciaramella/OEP, with two highly automated manufacturing plants near Milan, Italy. These motor businesses generate approximately $70 million in sales annually and the addition of these facilities and resources makes Ametek one of the most technologically advanced electric motor producers worldwide for vacuum cleaners and small appliances, according to Blankley.

CONTACT: Darrah E. Ribble of Ametek, 215-647-2121

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CHICAGO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - USG Corp. (NYSE: USG) announced third-quarter 1990 operating profit of $64 million, down 24 percent from operating profit of $84 million for the same period in 1989. The decline was primarily the result of lower gypsum wallboard prices, which were down 7 percent compared to

the third quarter of last year. This reflects adverse economic conditions within the building industry coupled with excess capacity in the gypsum industry. Due to the adverse economic conditions within the building industry, a net loss of $11 million was incurred during the third quarter compared with net earnings of $9 million in 1989's third quarter.

Third-quarter 1990 net sales were $538 million, down 4 percent from $560 million for the same period in 1989. This sales decline is due mainly to lower gypsum wallboard prices in the third quarter of 1990 as compared to the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, USG reported an operating profit of $195 million, a decrease of 14 percent from operating profit of $228 million for the same period last year. Nine months 1990 net sales were $1.601 billion, down 4 percent from sales of $1.668 billion for the same period a year ago. A net loss of $2 million was incurred for the first nine months of 1990 compared with net earnings of $21 million during the same period in 1989. The first nine months of 1990 showed a net loss of $0.04 per common share vs. net earnings of $0.38 for the same period in 1989.

USG Chairman Eugene B. Connolly said that despite the economic downturn, two USG subsidiaries -- USG Interiors and DAP Inc. -- continue to perform ahead of 1989's pace for operating profit.

Connolly pointed out that both 1990 industry wallboard shipments and U.S. Gypsum's market share are unchanged from the same period in 1989. U.S. Gypsum plants also continue to operate at about 96 percent of capacity -- by far the highest in the industry. While the corporation remained in compliance with its financial obligations through the third quarter, it is presently discussing with its senior lender banks adjustments to certain term loan financial covenants in order to allow for future compliance under continuing adverse economic conditions. These adjustments will include amended covenant coverage levels for the period through June 30, 1991. The present discussions are part of a broader effort by the corporation to develop a longer term plan, in conjunction with its senior lenders, which will deal with its future cash flow needs and present capital structure. USG also announced plans for additional restructuring to be implemented in the next several weeks.

USG is a Fortune 200 corporation with operating subsidiaries that are leading manufacturers and distributors of building materials such as gypsum wallboard and related products, home improvement products and ceiling, wall and floor systems.

CONTACT: USG public relations, 312-606-3863; investor relations, 312-606-5594

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HOUSTON (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Garnet Resources Corporation (NASDAQ: GARN)

today announced initial test results of the Linda No. 2 well in the Putumayo area of Colombia.

Garnet said that the Linda No. 2 well, a confirmation test three quarters of a mile east of the Linda No. 1 discovery well, flowed at rates of 89 to 102 barrels of 20.6 degrees gravity oil per day using 3/8 inch and 1/4 inch chokes. The 32-hour drill stem test produced oil from perforated intervals in the Villeta "N" sand between 8,328 - 8,332 feet and 8,339 - 8,345 feet. The company plans further testing of this new sand with pumping equipment to determine its productive capability. The Villeta "U" sand at 8,930 feet tested water, and deeper sands were evaluated as water-bearing without testing.

The "N" sand is also present, but untested, in the Toroyaco No. 2 well suspended last July, and the rig is currently being moved back to evaluate this zone based on the initial results obtained from Linda No. 2.

The Mary No. 1, an exploration well about 6.5 miles northeast of the Linda No. 1, is presently drilling at 6,400 feet towards a projected total depth of 8,100 feet.

Garnet is engaged primarily in international oil and gas exploration activities. Its exploration and production operations in Colombia are conducted through its subsidiary Argosy Energy International.

CONTACT: Albert E. Whitehead, chairman, 918-587-8093, or George M. Nevers, president, 713-759-1692, both of Garnet Resources

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MORRIS PLAINS, N.J. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Warner-Lambert Company (NYSE: WLA) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 38 cents a share of common stock, payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 2, 1990.

CONTACT: Peter Wolf, 201-540-6696, or Thomas Furlong, 201-540-2145, both of Warner-Lambert.

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NILES, Ohio (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - RMI Titanium Co. (NYSE: RTI) today announced that its board of directors, at a meeting held Oct. 19, 1990, declared a dividend of $0.025 per share on common stock of the company payable Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 1, 1990.

RMI Titanium Co., headquartered in Niles, Ohio, is a leading manufacturer of titanium sponge, mill products and powder. The company's products are used

principally in military and commercial aircraft and engines, chemical processing equipment, mesh for bridge and deck repair, pulp and paper production facilities, and medical implants.

RMI became a public corporation on April 20, 1990, with common stock trading on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol, "RTI." There are 14,988,400 shares of RMI's common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Crystal L. Revak of RMI Titanium, 216-544-7622.

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KALAMAZOO, Mich. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - First of America Bank Corporation (NYSE: FOA) has declared a dividend on its four convertible preferred stock issues, announced Daniel R. Smith, chairman and chief executive officer.

A dividend of $.475 per share of Series E 10-percent Convertible Preferred Stock is payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 5, 1990.

A dividend of $4.275 per share of Series F 9-percent Convertible Preferred Stock is payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 5, 1990.

A dividend of $1.0125 per share of Series G 9-percent Convertible Preferred Stock is payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 5, 1990.

A dividend of $4.275 per share of Series H 9-percent Convertible Preferred Stock is payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 5, 1990.

The Series E and G Convertible Preferred Issues are traded on the Over-the-Counter market through NASDAQ using the symbols FABKN (Series E) and FABKM (Series G).

First of America Bank Corporation is a Kalamazoo-based bank holding company with $13 billion in assets. The company's 33 banks provide financial services to nearly 300 communities in Michigan, Indiana and Illinois through a network of over 400 offices.

CONTACT: Thomas W. Lambert, 616-383-9012, or Michael A. Lindley, 616-383-9264 both of First of America Bank Corporation.

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#90296p8327 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

PEAPACK, N.J. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Fedders Corporation (NYSE: FJQ) today announced that the board of directors of the room air conditioner manufacturer has declared regular quarterly dividends of 12 cents per share of common stock and 10.8 cents per share of class B stock, payable Dec. 4, 1990 to

stockholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

Chairman of the board Salvatore Giordano said, "Despite the short- term impact on Fedders' results from this year's unfavorable summer weather in key markets we remain confident in the excellent long-term strength of our business."

CONTACT: Barbara VanBlarcum of Fedders, 201-234-2100

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Ratners Group plc (NASDAQ: RATNY), the world's largest jewelry retailer, announced that shareholders of Kay Jewelers, Inc. (NYSE: KJI) approved the merger today under which Kay will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Ratners. It is anticipated that the merger will become effective on Oct. 26, 1990, at which time Ratners will become the second largest specialty retailer of fine jewelry in the U.S.

Under the terms of the transaction, Kay shareholders will receive a new Convertible Preferred American Depositary Share of Ratners for each Kay common share held. The new Ratners preferred shares will pay cash dividends in U.S. dollars at an annual rate of $1.06, plus a $.14 tax treaty payment generally available to U.S. tax paying residents. The new Convertible Preferred Depositary Shares are convertible at any time into Ratners American Depositary Shares traded on NASDAQ. Each American Depositary Share represents three Ordinary Shares of Ratners. The new Ratners Convertible Preferred American Depositary Shares are expected to begin trading on NASDAQ on or about Oct. 29, 1990 under the symbol RATNZ.

Gerald I. Ratner, chairman and managing director of the Ratners Group, said, "The Kay acquisition strengthens our position in the attractive U.S. retail jewelry market and provides the opportunity to capitalize on Kay's well known trade names, including Kay Jewelers and J.B. Robinson, prime real estate locations and existing customer loyalty. The long-term growth rate of the specialty retail jewelry market in the U.S. has exceeded other sectors of the retail market, just as it has in the U.K. This superior performance has been driven by increased purchases by women, particularly working women, and the increased number of two-income households, which have more disposable income."

The Kay acquisition, Ratners' largest ever, follows a series of strategic acquisitions undertaken in the U.S. to exploit the fragmented nature of the specialty retail jewelry market by acquiring jewelry chains with a dominant presence in regional markets, including Sterling Inc., the company's primary operating unit in the U.S. When Ratners purchased Sterling in 1987, it was one of the largest specialty retail jewelry chains in the U.S., operating 117 stores in 15 primarily Midwestern and Western states. Since then Ratners has grown in the U.S. both through the opening of new stores and through the acquisition of other specialty retail jewelry chains. Ratners now operates 495

stores in 39 states and, upon completion of the merger, will be the second largest specialty retailer of fine jewelry in the U.S., operating approximately 970 jewelry stores in 43 states and 49 leased jewelry departments.

CONTACT: Thomas C. Franco of Broadgate Consultants, 212-742-1280, for Ratners Group plc

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NORCROSS, Ga. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - CytRx Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTR) today released its third quarter earnings, shown below with comparative prior-year amounts:

	Qtr. ended		9 mos. ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$ 275,890	$ 20,458	$ 817,619	$ 818,628
Net loss	(156,639)	(595,655)	(752,151)	(3,239,191)
Per share	(.01)	(.04)	(.04)	(.19)

Jack J. Luchese, president and CEO, said: "The loss this quarter is the result of a delay in a $250,000 milestone payment from Burroughs Wellcome under the RheothRx(R) license agreement that management originally expected in September and which is now expected in late December. It should also be noted that the quarterly diligence payment for the fourth quarter, although received in September, will be recognized as revenue in the fourth quarter along with the modest up front fee from the recently completed Agri-Bio (American Home Products) agreement for our growth promoter technology for food animals such as poultry and swine."

CytRx Corp. is engaged in the research and development of therapeutics incorporating synthetic copolymers. The company's products are intended for use in the treatment of vascular, immune system and infectious diseases, and for use as growth promotants in food animals.

CONTACT: Fred E. Bass of The Bass Group International, 813-763-6643, for CytRx

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#90296p8335 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHESDA, Md. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Martin Marietta Corporation (NYSE: ML) today reported third quarter net income of $108.8 million, a 25 percent increase from year-earlier net of $87.3 million. Per share income rose 31 percent, to $2.16 from $1.65 in the corresponding 1989 quarter.

Sales for the quarter rose 5 percent, to $1.49 billion from $1.42 billion a year earlier. Backlog at Sept. 30 was $11.7 billion, compared with $11.6

billion a year ago.

Third quarter earnings include a non-recurring gain on the sale of Florida real estate including a shopping center, as well as the positive effect of a favorable ruling in a legal dispute related to the 1989 sale of a cement plant. Together, these items added 25 cents per share to results. Operating income in the quarter trailed year-ago figures principally due to an $11 million provision for improvements to the Air Defense Anti-Tank System (ADATS). Prior to that charge, operating earnings were up about 5 percent over the third quarter of 1989.

Third quarter sales and earnings were higher in all operating groups except Electronics & Missiles, where a small decline reflected completion of the Copperhead anti-tank projectile program and the tapering off of production of the Hellfire anti-armor missile in anticipation of completion of that program next year.

"During the third quarter, we made two acquisitions that expand Martin Marietta's presence in growing markets within our Electronics & Missiles Group " commented Norman R. Augustine, chairman and chief executive officer. "These include Perry Technologies, a leader in undersea work vehicles, and the purchase of a program from Control Data Corporation which will result in the establishment of a product area for Advanced Tactical Airborne Reconnaissance Systems."

During the third quarter, the corporation received contracts totaling nearly $500 million to produce jet engine thrust reversers for both General Electric and Pratt & Whitney and won a U.S. Postal Service contract for $138 million, with a potential value of $600 million, to produce automated mail-sorting machines using high-speed bar coding technology.

Nine-month net income rose 16 percent for 1990, to $270.4 million, or $5.33 per share, from year-earlier net of $233.4 million, or $4.41 per share. Year-to-date sales increased to $4.6 billion, a gain of more than 9 percent from $4.2 billion a year ago.

Third quarter per-share earnings also reflect a year-to-year reduction of 2.7 million in average shares outstanding as a result of the corporation's stock repurchase program.

"The diversity of our space and electronics activities, coupled with such new initiatives as the Postal Service contract, bode well for the future," Augustine said. "These latest results, together with a recent 11 percent increase in the dividend to an annualized rate of $1.50 per share, reflect the financial soundness and strong strategic position of the corporation.'

CONTACT: Martin Marietta, Corporate News Bureau, 301-897-6289

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#90296p8336 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Sun Distributors L.P. (NYSE: SDP, SDPB) had net income of $6.3 million for the third quarter of 1990, up nearly 13 percent from the $5.6 million earned in the third quarter of 1989, it was announced today by Donald T. Marshall, chief executive officer. Third quarter income per limited partnership unit (combined A and B interests) was $.57, compared to $.50 in 1989. Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $151 million, up nearly five percent from $144 million in the comparable 1989 period.

During the second quarter this year, the Class A and Class B interests began trading separately on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbols of SDP and SDPB, respectively.

Income per A interest in the third quarter was $.27 and income per B interest was $.15. (The difference between total income per limited partnership unit of $.57 and the sum of income for the A and B interests of $.42 is due to an additional 11 million B interests owned by the General Partner, making a total of 22 million B interests.)

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $452 million, up more than seven percent from $422 million in the same period in 1989. Net income for the nine months was $17.5 million, up more than 32 percent from $13.2 million in the same period in 1989. Income per limited partnership unit (combined A and B interests) was $1.56 for the nine months compared with $1.18 for the first nine months of 1989.

Marshall noted, "We are seeing further erosion in our markets as the year proceeds. We continue to respond rapidly and aggressively with expense and asset control measures. As our performance this quarter demonstrates, these actions are allowing us to sustain our income growth and to maintain our cash flow."

Sun Distributors continued its policy of monthly cash distributions to holders of Class A interests with a total payment of $.275 per interest in the third quarter.

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#90296p8339 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced a decrease in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The decrease of $5.25/bbl was effective today at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$27.25 for West Texas Intermediate
$25.25 for West Texas Sour
$27.75 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore)

New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E61. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Sherri Zippay, 415-894-4581; or Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440, both of Chevron U.S.A.

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FORT WASHINGTON, PA. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. (NYSE: RPR) today declared a quarterly dividend of 21 cents per share to shareholders of record on Nov. 9, 1990, payable on Nov. 30.

Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. is a global pharmaceutical company dedicated to the discovery, development, manufacturing and marketing of human pharmaceuticals, with worldwide sales of $3 billion and R&D expenditures of $400 million. The company operates in all major markets of the world.

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-30- 774

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - James S. Bingay Jr. has been elected executive vice president of Society Corporation (NASDAQ: SOCI) and named group executive of its commercial center, Robert W. Gillespie, chairman and chief executive officer, announced today.

Society's commercial center is responsible for planning and developing commercial and investment banking strategies and programs for the corporation and its five regional banks.

Bingay, who will report to Gillespie, has served as a division executive for Citicorp in Cleveland since 1985.

"In this era of increasingly intense competition for banks and their clients, we are indeed fortunate to have someone of Jim Bingay's talent and experience " said Gillespie. "Jim and I will be working closely together over the next

several months in developing a comprehensive approach to better coordinate our corporatewide activities in strategic commercial and investment banking as well as focused specialty commercial lending."

Bingay joined Citibank in New York City in 1970 as an account officer. In 1978 he was named vice president and area manager of Citicorp's North American finance group based in Cleveland. He was named a division executive in 1985.

During his 12 years in Cleveland, Bingay has been active in a number of significant community organizations including the Cleveland Orchestra, Cleveland Play House and The Achievement Center for Children.

Bingay received his B.A. in economics in 1965 at Brown University and his M.B.A. in finance in 1967 at the graduate business division of The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

Society Corporation is one of the largest bank holding companies in the Midwest with assets of $15.6 billion at Sept. 30. The corporation has 370 offices in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Florida. Through its affiliates, Society engages in commercial banking, consumer banking, mortgage banking and leasing, and provides trust and investment banking services.

CONTACT: Dennis LaRue of Society Corporation, 216-689-3647

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#90296p8346 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHAPEL HILL, NC (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to motions for dismissal of claims made in the lawsuits between Investors Title Insurance Company (NASDAQ-NMS: ITIC) and its competitors, Jefferson-Pilot Title Insurance Company, Jefferson-Pilot Corporation (NYSE: JP), Lawyers Title of North Carolina and Lawyers Title Insurance Corporation of Richmond, Virginia, United States District Court Judge Richard C. Erwin has ruled that Investors Title Insurance Company is entitled to a jury trial on its counterclaims against these competitors as to alleged damages occurring after April 8, 1984.

The counterclaims by Investors Title Insurance Company accuses these competitors of conspiring to unfairly injure Investors Title and attempt to drive it out of business.

The counterclaims further assert that the unjust actions of these competitors over the years have had a chilling effect on the ability of lender-owned agents to sell title insurance for Investors Title, as well as to discourage additional lender-owned companies from becoming title insurance agents.

On the same Order, the Judge dismissed charges by Jefferson-Pilot Title and Lawyers of North Carolina that Investors Title had commited any "per se" violations of antitrust statutes. Other claims in the case were not affected

by the Judge's ruling.

J. Allen Fine, President of Investors Title expressed great satisfaction with the decision. "We look forward to an early trial," Fine said, "which will resolve the controversy and enable our agents to compete more effectively in the marketplace."

CONTACT: J. Allen Fine, President, Investors Title Insurance Company, (919) 968-2200.

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#90296p8347 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CUPERTINO, CA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Horn Venture Partners, the managing partner of Grace Ventures Partnership II, and Grace Ventures Corp. announced today that the partnership has increased its investment in InterFax, Inc. of Menlo Park, Calif., by an additional $500,000, bringing the total investment to $1 million. InterFax is an interactive facsimile company that sells services and systems that deliver information quickly, conveniently and economically via fax machine throughout the world.

Since InterFax was founded 18 months ago, the company has introduced FaxTex(TM) and received a fundamental patent on this advanced technology. FaxTex enables a customer to communicate via a touch-tone telephone or facsimile machine and retrieve data from a computer automatically. InterFax now provides customers with daily newsletter delivery by facsimile, early looks at financial performance summaries and Reader Service Card fulfillment by facsimile.

According to Vice Admiral (retired) William D. Houser, chief executive officer and president of InterFax, "The development of interactive facsimile and the explosive growth of facsimile machines have combined to provide new, easy-to-use, rapid and economical tools for business communications worldwide."

Christian F. Horn, managing partner of Horn Venture Partners, commented, "InterFax is one of those rare companies whose technologies and products are leading new categories of business. InterFax's proprietary technology gives anyone with a facsimile machine instantaneous access to electronically stored information."

Grace Ventures Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of W. R. Grace & Co., and Horn Venture Partners, a partnership of the officers of Grace Ventures, manage 48 high technology, emerging growth company investments through three venture capital funds, including Grace Ventures Partnerships One and II.

CONTACT: Jim Swords, 212-819-6000, for Grace Ventures Corp. Horn Venture Partners

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#90296p8353 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEWARK, N.J. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company announced today that its subsidiary, MBL Variable, Inc., has merged with The Golden Financial Group, Inc. Jerome "Jerry" S. Golden, chief executive officer of Golden Financial, was named president and CEO of the merged companies, to be based in New York City and known as MBL Variable, Inc. Terms of the merger were not disclosed.

MBL Variable, Inc. is now responsible for all the variable products offered by Mutual Benefit. Prior to the merger, Mutual Benefit worked with Golden Financial on the design of corporate-owned and corporate- sponsored variable life insurance products, as well as variable annuities for the broker/dealer market.

Henry E. Kates, Mutual Benefit CEO and president said, "We see a strategic fit for Golden Financial in Mutual Benefit and an increasing role for variable products, particularly variable annuities and variable life. The combined companies will heighten our position as a premier provider of corporate-owned and corporate-sponsored insurance products."

Said Kates, "Combining our financial strength and industry recognition with Golden Financial's successful record for product innovation will work to diversify and strengthen our company's product mix."

Jerome S. Golden, 46, is one of the leading figures in variable product design pricing and distribution. He created and successfully marketed the first single premium variable life policy in the United States, and was the first to successfully enlist Wall Street firms in the distribution of variable life insurance. Prior to founding Golden Financial, Golden was president and chief executive of Monarch Resources, Inc., a subsidiary of Monarch Capital.

Founded in 1987, Golden Financial specializes in providing insurance products and services to financial services firms entering or expanding their presence in the variable insurance product field.

Mutual Benefit Life, based in Newark, N.J., is the 18th largest life insurance company in the United States.

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Janet Lane of Robinson, Lake, Lerer & Montgomery, 202-457-9270, for
Mutual Benefit Life

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#90296p8357 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that

American Reliance Group, Inc. of Lawrenceville, N.J., began trading 2,549,420 common shares today. American Reliance Group is the regional insurance holding company for American Reliance Casualty Company, which together with American Reliance Group's parent, American Reliance Insurance Company, offer property and casualty insurance primarily in New Jersey and Florida. American Reliance Group previously traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ARIG.

Trading under ticker symbol ARI, the common stock opened on 100 shares at 9 1/2.

American Reliance Insurance and American Reliance Casualty together specialize in providing a range of commercial and personal property and casualty insurance products including commercial multiple peril, farmowner, workers' compensation, automobile, fire and allied lines, inland marine, homeowner, tenant, condominium, automobile and general and excess liability insurance.

Together, American Reliance Insurance and American Reliance Casualty market insurance coverage through independent insurance agencies for small to medium-sized businesses and individuals in New Jersey, Florida, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Indiana, Maryland and Virginia.

American Reliance Group reported net income of $5,099,000, or $2.00 per share, on revenues of $62,608,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $4,581,000, or $1.80 per share, on revenues of $52,536,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

CONTACT: Lisa Kravitz of the American Stock Exchange, 212-306-1632

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#90296p8362 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - C.I.S. Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: CISI) announced today results of operations for the third quarter 1990. CIS reported third quarter 1990 sales of $2,593,000, which represents a 157 percent increase over third quarter 1989 sales of $1,010,000 and a 19 percent increase over second quarter 1990 sales of $2,174,000.

The company's sales growth for the third quarter is the result of additional claim processing clients and new contracts for Prime Services. "Prime Services plays a major role in our revenue growth strategy and accounts for 29 percent of our third quarter revenue," said Philip D. Kurtz, president and chief executive officer.

Third quarter results of operations are detailed as follows:

C.I.S. TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

Periods ended	Three months	Nine months

Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$2,593	$1,010	$7,000	$2,615
Net loss	193	1,204	881	3,433
Loss per share	.01	.04	.03	.13

CONTACT: Gifford Mabie of C.I.S. Technologies, 918-496-2451

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DENVER (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Key Production Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: KPCI) today reported third quarter 1990 net income of $666,000, or 6 cents per share. This compared to net income a year ago of $560,000, or 5 cents per share. Higher oil prices and a 39 percent decrease in interest costs, reflecting Key's accelerated debt repayment, contributed to the quarter's improvement.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, earnings totaled $2.2 million, or 19 cents per share, on revenues of $22.3 million. Key reported earnings of $1.9 million, or 16 cents per share, on revenues of $23.9 million for the first nine months of 1989.

Cash from operations increased 15 percent to $3.8 million and was allocated primarily to eliminating debt during the quarter. As of Sept. 30, 1990, Key had reduced debt 35 percent since year-end 1989 to $18.5 million.

Production for the quarter totaled 116,000 barrels of oil and 2.8 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas, versus 131,000 barrels and 3.0 Bcf during the like period in 1989.

Higher oil prices partially offset the impact of lower production with conflict in the Persian Gulf driving domestic oil prices to record levels during the quarter. Key received an average $22.33 per barrel of oil during the quarter, a 32 percent increase over prices received in 1989's third quarter. During the quarter Key averaged $1.61 per thousand cubic feet (Mcf) of gas, in contrast to $1.57 per Mcf a year ago.

Key Production is an independent oil and gas production company. Common stock shares of Key trade on the NASDAQ system (symbol KPCI).

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NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Northern Telecom (NYSE: NT) today reported record earnings, revenues and orders for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

Earnings per common share for the third quarter were $.38, up 23 percent over the $.31 per common share earned in the third quarter of 1989. Net earnings applicable to common shares in the quarter were $91 million, as compared with $75 million last year.

Third quarter revenues of $1.62 billion increased 14 percent over the $1.41 billion reported for the same quarter last year.

The earnings and revenue figures were released in Toronto by Northern Telecom Limited, parent company of Nashville-based Northern Telecom Inc.

Order input for the quarter was $1.83 billion, an increase of 20 percent over the $1.52 billion recorded in the third quarter of 1989. Order backlog at September 30 stood at $2.08 billion, an increase of 14 percent from $1.82 billion at the end of the third quarter last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, Northern Telecom's revenues were $4.89 billion, up 13 percent from the $4.32 billion reported in the first nine months of 1989. Earnings per common share were $1.05, up 31 percent from $.80 in the year earlier period. Net earnings applicable to common shares were $254 million for the first nine months, compared with $192 million in 1989.

Dr. Paul G. Stern, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Northern Telecom, said, "The company's strength is encouraging considering the extremely competitive worldwide market situation. Demand for our products remained strong in all geographic areas, with order input running at exceptional levels in the third quarter."

Revenues from all geographic areas (United States, Canada and international) increased in both the quarter and the first nine months, with international revenues continuing to lead in year-over-year percentage gains.

Central office switching, Northern Telecom's principal product line, once again posted the largest revenue increase for both the quarter and the first nine months compared to last year. Revenues from transmission products showed the largest percentage increase overall in both periods. Business communications systems and terminals revenues also showed strong gains. Cable and outside plant sales continued slightly below last year.

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the quarter increased to $311 million, compared with $273 million a year earlier, but declined slightly as a percentage of sales to 19.2 percent from 19.3 percent in the third quarter last year. This increase was principally due to selling expenses in support of worldwide marketing thrusts. Expenses for the first nine months increased from $827 million to $927 million, and also declined slightly as a percentage of sales to 19.0 percent from 19.1 percent in 1989.

Spending on research and development in the quarter rose to $195 million from

$169 million last year and increased slightly as a percentage of revenue to 12.1 percent versus 12.0 percent in 1989. For the first nine months, spending increased to $562 million from $541 million, but decreased to 11.5 percent from 12.5 percent as a percentage of revenue.

Commenting on the outlook for the remainder of the year, Stern said, "The strong results for the third quarter and first nine months lead us to remain optimistic that 1990 will be a year of record performance for Northern Telecom."

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities, and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people worldwide. Its common shares are listed on the New York, Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver, London, and Tokyo stock exchanges.

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PEAPACK, N.J. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Fedders Corporation (NYSE: FJQ), the manufacturer of room air conditioners, today reported that sales in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 declined 66 percent to $20.9 million from $60.5 million in the third quarter of 1989. The company reported a net loss for the quarter of $5.2 million, or 28 cents per share, compared with net income of $2.4 million, or 13 cents per share, in the prior-year quarter.

For the nine months of 1990, sales decreased 19 percent to $236.8 million from $293.2 million a year earlier. Net income in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 declined 40 percent to $10.3 million, or 56 cents per share, from $17.2 million, or 90 cents per share, in the prior year.

Chief Executive Officer Sal Giordano, Jr. attributed the sales declines and the third quarter loss to the absence of sustained summer heat in the key room air conditioner markets of the Northeast and upper Midwest. "The abnormal weather in those major markets has left excess inventory backed-up in the industry's distribution system. Fedders is continuing to sell from its inventory against reduced market demand during the seasonally slow second half of the year."

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COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Automotive Corp. (NASDAQ: PKRA) announced today that it has agreed to buy the fuel injector cleaning equipment product line of Triangle Corp. (AMEX: TRG) of Stamford, Conn. In exchange for $2,250,000 in cash and $500,000 in the company's common stock, Parker Automotive will acquire the technology and all patents currently held by Triangle relating to fuel injector cleaning, both internationally and domestically.

Triangle Corp. supplies the fuel injection cleaning products currently used by Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. Timothy L. Strader, president and chief operating officer of Parker Automotive, said, "The Triangle products and patents will compliment our existing line of CarbonClean products, and we are confident that the acquisition will assist our entry into the two leading auto makers' equipment programs, as well as solidify our market leadership in this environmental product area. By acquiring the only patents in the world that we did not already have, we are protecting the integrity of the CarbonClean process worldwide," continued Strader.

Parker Automotive's CarbonClean products are approved by, and in some cases marketed by Nissan, Hyundai, Toyota Gulf States, Sunoco, Chevron, Arco and Exxon. As well, the emission-reducing CarbonClean products are distributed in over 60 nations worldwide. In studies of an independent nature, CarbonClean has reduced exhaust emissions by up to 80 percent, while increasing fuel economy and restoring engine performance.

Parker Automotive Corp. is headquartered in Costa Mesa. Manufacturing facilities are in nearby Fountain Valley, Calif., and sales offices are maintained worldwide.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Danaher Corporation (NYSE: DHR) announced today that net earnings for its third quarter ending Sept. 28, 1990, were $11.8 million, 11 percent higher than earnings of $10.7 million for the comparable 1989 period. Earnings per share, which reflected the issuance of 5.8 million shares for the acquisition of Easco Hand Tools, Inc., were $.40, compared to $.45 for the comparable 1989 period. Net revenues for the 1990 third quarter were $229.9 million, 25 percent higher than the $184.2 million for the quarter ending Sept. 29, 1989. The net revenues on a comparable basis were 2.5 percent lower for 1990 adjusted for Easco and business lines divested during 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 28, 1990, earnings were $34.0 million or $1.31 per share, compared to $34.6 million or $1.45 per share for the nine months

ended Sept. 29, 1989. Net revenues for the 1990 nine month period were $613.5 million, 6 percent higher than the $577.8 million reported in the comparable 1989 period. Net revenues on a comparable company basis were approximately 2 percent lower in 1990.

George M. Sherman, president and chief executive officer, stated: "We are pleased with our recent performance given the weak economic conditions in the United States and the United Kingdom. The assimilation of Easco Hand Tools, Inc. into our organization is proceeding well and slightly ahead of plan. We have substantially strengthened our management team and are continuing aggressive cost reduction actions so that we can improve earnings levels within a sluggish economic environment. Longer term, we believe that each of our business segments is well positioned for above average growth opportunities."

Danaher Corporation is a leading manufacturer of tools, process/environmental controls, and transportation products.

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ARLINGTON, Va. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - A 3 percent dividend increase was approved today by the board of directors of Gannett Co. Inc. (NYSE: GCI), the 23rd increase in Gannett's 23 years as a public company.

The new quarterly dividend rate of 31 cents, up from 30 cents, is payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990. The action increases the annual rate from $1.20 to $1.24 per share.

The directors met in regular session here today. Gannett is a nationwide news and information company that publishes 82 daily newspapers, including USA Today and USA Weekend, a newspaper magazine. It also operates 10 televsion stations, 15 radio stations, and the largest outdoor advertising company in North America.

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas Corp. (NYSE: MD) had net earnings of $248 million, or $6.46 per share, in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $38 million, or 98 cents a share, in the third quarter of 1989.

Excluding an after tax gain of $234 million, or $6.11 per share, from the

settlement of certain pension fund obligations through the purchase of an annuity contract, McDonnell Douglas had net earnings of $72 million, or $1.87 per share, before an earnings reversal on the C-17 program.

It was considered prudent to reverse the earnings previously recorded in the C-17 program because cost at completion could be at or near contract break-even. Therefore, the third quarter results include the reversal of $93 million in pretax earnings (equal to $58 million, or $1.52 per share, after tax). This resulted in net earnings of $14 million, or 35 cents per share, not including the after tax gain on the settlement of the pension fund obligation. McDonnell Douglas expects to complete the $6 billion-plus contract for full-scale development and production of the first six aircraft without incurring a loss.

Net earnings for the three quarters ended September 30, 1990 were $307 million, including the $234 million gain from the pension settlement, compared with net earnings of $159 million at this point in 1989, which included a positive adjustment of $179 million, or $4.68 per share, from the adoption of a new accounting standard for income tax.

Along with the C-17, McDonnell Douglas is booking two other fixed price development programs, the A-12 and the T45TS, at break-even. In all three programs, this reflects the anticipated effect of cost reduction efforts as well as expected reimbursement for certain costs that are the subject of claims made or being made to the government. Significant uncertainties continue to exist in these programs.

Revenues rose 18 percent -- from $10.292 billion in the first three quarters of 1989 to $12.123 billion in the first three quarters of 1990 -- mainly as a result of increased MD-80 deliveries and increased work on several government programs, including C-17, Tomahawk Cruise Missile, and Space Station Freedom.

McDonnell Douglas delivered a record 40 MD-80 twin jets in the third quarter and a record total of 99 for the first three quarters. This compares with 30 MD-80 deliveries in 1989Us third quarter and 81 for the first three quarters.

With increased production and the benefits of cost reduction efforts, operating earnings for the MD-80 program in the third quarter were $46 million compared with a loss of $1 million in 1989Us third quarter. The MD-11 trijet continued on track toward initial certification by the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration and first deliveries prior to the end of this year.

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BELLEVILLE, IL (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Magna Group Inc. (NASDAQ: MAGI) and

Landmark Bancshares Corporation (NYSE: LBC) today announced the signing of a definitive agreement under which the two organizations will merge and Landmark will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Magna. The joint announcement was made by S. Lee Kling, chairman of Landmark, and William S. Badgley, chairman and chief executive officer of Magna. The terms of the agreement call for the exchange of .855 share of Magna common stock plus $.50 in cash for each share of Landmark common stock on a tax-free basis for the stock. Magna will authorize and issue approximately 6.2 million shares of common stock to be exchanged in the merger.

Pending approval by Magna and Landmark shareholders and regulatory authorities the companies anticipate completion of the merger by mid 1991.

Management expects that the transaction would enhance Magna's earnings per share in 1991 and further benefit earnings in future years. The transaction will be accounted for under the purchase accounting method resulting in substantially lower goodwill and a corresponding reduction of goodwill amortization expense. It is anticipated that there will be other significant advantages to pro forma earnings resulting from a purchase transaction. Initial analysis indicates that the synergies and intramarket consolidations of the combined organization could save in excess of $10 million annually. Magna recently announced third quarter results of $5.0 million or $.39 per share, as compared with $4.9 million or $.40 per share for the third quarter of 1989. Landmark, having built its loan loss reserve substantially through 1990, is positioned to return to more normal earnings in 1991.

Upon completion of the merger, the organization will have approximately 19 million shares outstanding and approximately 9,000 shareholders. Directors, officers and employees of the company will own more than 25 percent of the outstanding shares. The stock will be traded on the NASDAQ national market system. Magna's current indicated annual dividend rate is $.68 per common share. Market capitalization of the combined company would be in excess of $200 million, based on Magna's closing price of $11.00 per share on Monday, Oct. 22, 1990. The company will have combined capital of approximately $250 million.

Commenting on the affiliation, Badgley said, ''Our combination with Landmark will create a two-state organization with a large presence in central and southern Illinois and St. Louis, St. Charles, Kansas City and the Springfield area in Missouri. The combined organization will have approximately 100 banking locations and 2,700 employees. Landmark, like Magna, is a network of banks with long-standing customer relationships and deep roots in their communities.''

Kling noted, ''This merger would create an unequaled interstate franchise in the greater St. Louis market which spans the Mississippi River to include communities in both Missouri and Illinois. Our customers stand to benefit significantly from our combined strengths and expanded product and service

capabilities. This is an excellent opportunity to enhance the inherent value of this franchise and of our shareholders' investment.''

Badgley said, ''Over the past eight years, Magna has acquired 24 banks. By reducing that number to eight through various regional consolidations and achieving economies of scale, we have been able to reduce overhead expense and will continue to seek other opportunities to enhance the return to shareholders. Although many of our previous acquisitions initially reduced earnings per share, we believe that this merger will be anti-dilutive in the first year.

''As a network of community banks serving a large, diversified retail base of customers, we are firmly positioned as a retail banking leader, and we intend to direct the marketing efforts of the new, larger organization further into retail banking,'' Badgley continued. ''We view this merger with Landmark as a once-in-a lifetime opportunity to combine these two franchises into a distribution system of 100 retail bank offices in many diverse communities,'' Badgley explained. ''That competitive strength, in conjunction with opportunities for cost reductions and economies of scale, set the stage for significant competitive and performance opportunities.''

The management structure will include Badgley as chairman and chief executive officer; G. Thomas Andes as president and chief operating officer; James A. Saitz and Michael E. Thaman as executive vice presidents. Other corporate positions will be filled by senior officers of Magna and Landmark.

Badgley and Andes have directed Magna since its inception in 1975, currently serving as chairman and president, respectively. Saitz joined Landmark in 1986 and was recently named chief executive officer of Landmark after serving as executive vice president and chairman of Landmark's Illinois Region. Thaman has been with Landmark since 1981 and is currently executive vice president and chief financial officer.

Kling will be a member of the board of directors of the combined organization. He will play a key role in the transition process and continue to be actively involved in the business of the company. Kling has been chairman of Landmark since its inception in 1975, building Landmark to its current size from a three-bank holding company with $230 million in assets.

The board of directors of the combined company will include directors from both the Magna board and the Landmark board.

The corporate headquarters of the new company will be located at Landmark Place in St. Louis. Management has stated that it is considering a new name for the combined company. A marketing study would be made to determine the name that best communicates the merged organization's position as a strong community banking organization with the sophistication and capabilities of a $4.4 billion interstate bank holding company.

Pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement, Landmark has granted Magna an option to purchase 1,446,067 shares of Landmark common stock at $8.00 per share upon the occurrence of certain events.

Magna Group, Inc. is a multibank holding company headquartered in Belleville, Ill., with $2.4 billion in assets and eight banks with 50 locations, a trust company and data processing company. Twenty-five locations and approximately $1.4 billion of Magna's assets are in the Illinois portion of the St. Louis metropolitan area. Magna also serves the Springfield, Bloomington and Decatur areas, as well as communities in central and southern Illinois.

Landmark Bancshares Corporation is a multibank holding company headquartered in St. Louis, Mo., with $2 billion in assets and 10 banks with 50 locations in Missouri and Illinois. Thirty-four Landmark locations and approximately $1.6 billion of the company's assets are located in the greater bi-state metropolitan area, and three banks serve southern Illinois. Landmark also serves the greater Springfield, Mo. area and Kansas City, Mo. Landmark owns a trust company, asset-based lending subsidiary and a central operations subsidiary.

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PHOENIXVILLE, Pa. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The West Co. Inc. (NYSE: WST) today reported sales for the 1990 third quarter of $76.9 million, an increase of 11 percent over third quarter 1989 sales of $69.4 million.

Sales for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $243 million compared with $229 million in 1989, an increase of 6 percent. The sales increases were due to the continued strength of European currencies and the consolidation in 1990 of two European companies in which controlling interests were acquired recently.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $1.7 million, or $.11 per share, compared with $3.2 million, or $.20 per share, in the same quarter of 1989. Net income for the first nine months was $10.2 million, or $.64 per share, compared to $16.1 million, or $.99 per share, in 1989. The decline in third quarter net income was due to several factors. First, in Brazil margins continue to be impacted by that government's monetary and fiscal policy initiated earlier this year. Domestically, as a result of improved operating efficiencies, the company has decided it will cease manufacturing activities at its oldest plant and consolidate production into other plants; costs associated with this plant closing are included in third quarter results. In

Europe, demand has been softer than expected, and costs have been incurred to integrate the acquired companies. Finally, the year-to-date tax provision has been increased to reflect a higher estimated annual effective tax rate. This change largely reflects reduced income from low-tax rate operations and a higher effective tax rate in Brazil.

Nine-month results for 1990 also were impacted by expenses recognized in the second quarter related to a raw material, used in a single product line, that was discovered to be below West's standard. Following a brief interruption, normal production of this product line was resumed in the second quarter.

Rene L. Guerster, president and chief executive officer, stated, "Our third quarter is normally our lowest, but we are particularly disappointed in these results. Actions have already been taken to reduce labor costs in Brazil and Europe. Also, we sold a small low- margin operation in California which was unrelated to our core businesses. In the future, additional operating cost savings will be realized from closing our oldest U.S. plant and from inventory reduction. These actions are consistent with our strategic plan, and our customers continue to recognize us as the supplier of choice worldwide."

The West Co. Inc. is the premier supplier of specialized packaging components and systems for the worldwide pharmaceutical, hospital supply/medical device and domestic consumer products industries, with more than 85 percent of its revenue generated by the health care markets. West's products include stoppers, closures, containers, medical device components and assemblies made from elastomers, metal, plastic, glass and combinations thereof, plus related packaging and application machinery.

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MENASHA, WI (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Banta Corporation (NASDAQ: BNTA) today reported earnings from continuing operations for the third quarter of 1990 increased 17 percent over the same period last year. Sales during the quarter increased 15 percent. Simultaneously the company announced that it intends to dispose of its interests in Banta Ventures, Inc. and is currently negotiating a buyout with Banta Ventures management. As a result, this subsidiary is now being reported as a discontinued operation, therefore sales and earnings for prior periods have been restated. Banta Ventures is primarily engaged in the video post-production business.

For the three months ended September 1990, net earnings from continuing operations, which excludes results of Banta Ventures, were $8.9 million compared with $7.6 million in the restated third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share from continuing operations increased 17 percent to 69 cents from 59 cents in 1989's comparable period. Sales from continuing operations for the

quarter were $155.3 million compared with 1989's $135.3 million, a 15 percent increase.

The corporation anticipates that the sale of Banta Ventures will result in a one-time loss of approximately $8.5 million. In addition, for the three months ended September 30, 1990, Banta Ventures lost $1.6 million (13 cents per share) on sales of $12.1 million compared with a $365,000 loss (3 cents per share) on sales of $13.3 million for 1989's third quarter. The effect of the $10.1 million loss ($1.6 million in operating losses and a projected $8.5 million loss on the sale) was to cause the corporation to incur an overall loss of $1.3 million (10 cents per share) for the current third quarter. Net earnings for the same period last year were $7.2 million (56 cents per share).

For the nine-month period ended September 1990, net earnings from continuing operations were up 14 percent to $22.7 million ($1.77 per share) compared with $19.9 million ($1.56 per share) last year. Sales were up 13 percent to $434.1 million from $383.2 million during last year's first nine months. Including the results of Banta Ventures and the projected loss on the sale, net earnings for the nine months ended September 1990 were $11.5 million (90 cents per share) compared with net earnings of $28.4 million ($2.23 per share) in 1989, a nine-month period in which earnings were increased by a second quarter gain of $9.6 million (75 cents per share) from the sale of Daniels Packaging Company, Inc.

Chairman Calvin W. Aurand, Jr. said earnings from continuing operations for the third quarter maintained the improved trend of the first six months. He pointed out that gains over last year's third quarter were achieved in softcover books, consumer and business-to-business catalogs, and special-interest magazines. The good performances were the result of improved plant utilization rates, achieved in spite of very competitive pricing environments.

The single-use products category continued its long-term trend of excellent performance during the quarter, noted Aurand, as demand for all of its products remained strong. Overall, according to Aurand, the book segment achieved results below last year's unusually strong third quarter, which was positively affected by healthy demand for several supplemental educational programs. Positive activity occurred in softcover books, aided by completion of several schoolbook adoption programs and by software manuals.

Regarding the proposed sale of Banta Ventures, Aurand says the transaction would allow the corporation to focus more of its resources on its core printing businesses. "Over the long term we intend to concentrate on our areas of greatest expertise, specifically the printing and graphic arts-related businesses," he explained.

Five video operations compose the Banta Ventures video segment: three Editel companies in New York, Los Angeles and Chicago operated by ScanLine

Communications, San Francisco; Editel Boston, Inc., Boston; and One Pass, Inc. San Francisco.

Banta Corporation is one of the nation's leading graphic arts companies. It produces educational and general books, special-interest magazines, catalogs, direct marketing materials and security documents. It also offers prepress services, multimedia and software packages, point-of-purchase materials, and single-use products.

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Three Months Ended September 29, 1990	(13 Weeks) 1990	(13 Weeks) 1989
Sales	$155,325,000	$135,257,000
Net earnings from continuing operations	$ 8,857,000	$ 7,546,000
Net loss of business held for sale	$ (1,617,000)	$ (365,000)
Net loss on sale of subsidiary	$ (8,500,000)	$ ---
Net earnings (loss)	$ (1,260,000)	$ 7,181,000
Earnings per share from continuing operations	$ .69	$ .59
Loss per share from discontinued operations	$ (.79)	$ (.03)
Earnings (loss) per share	$ (.10)	$ .56
Average shares outstanding	12,812,577	12,790,758
Nine Months Ended September 29, 1990	(39 Weeks) 1990	(39 Weeks) 1989
Sales	$434,100,000	$383,151,000
Net earnings from continuing operations	$ 22,681,000	$ 19,910,000
Net loss of business held for sale	$ (2,681,000)	$ (1,123,000)
Net gain (loss) on sale of subsidiaries	$ (8,500,000)	$ 9,572,000
Net earnings	$ 11,500,000	$ 28,359,000
Earnings per share from continuing operations	$ 1.77	$ 1.56
Earnings (loss) per share from discontinued operations	$ (.87)	$ .67
Earnings per share	$ .90	$ 2.23
Average shares outstanding	12,786,034	12,739,023

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NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. (OCT. 23) PRNEWSWIRE - Johnson & Johnson (NYSE: JNJ) today announced that earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 rose 17.5 percent to $.94 compared with $.80 in the 1989 period. Consolidated net earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $314 million, compared with $265 million for the same period a year ago, an increase of 18.5 percent. Consolidated sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $2.87 billion, an increase of 17.1 percent over 1989 third quarter sales of $2.45 billion. The effect of a weaker U.S. dollar relative to foreign currencies increased third quarter sales by 5.3 percent. Excluding the effect of currency exchange rates sales would have increased 11.8 percent.

Commenting on the announcement, Ralph S. Larsen, chairman and chief executive officer said, "Each of our three operating segments -- pharmaceutical, consumer and professional -- contributed strongly to the increase in quarterly sales and earnings. Of particular note were three domestic subsidiaries -- Ortho Diagnostics, which introduced the first hepatitis C test earlier this year, Vistakon, which markets ACUVUE Disposable Contact Lenses and McNeil Consumer Products, with its broad line of over-the-counter pharmaceutical products, including TYLENOL. These operations posted significant sales gains for the quarter as well as for the year to date."

"Johnson & Johnson, which now generates over 50 percent of its revenues outside the United States, continues to aggressively expand its global reach. We are well-positioned to continue strong sustainable increases in world markets through our extensive network of manufacturing and distribution subsidiaries. For example, EPREX, which stimulates red blood cell production and is now sold in 41 countries excluding the U.S., more than doubled sales during the quarter. And HISMANAL, a once-a-day less-sedating antihistamine and the company's fastest growing drug in the U.S., is now marketed in 116 countries."

For the third quarter, international sales were $1.47 billion, up 22.1 percent over the same period a year ago.

Pharmaceutical sales for the quarter were up 22.9 percent worldwide, reflecting continued market penetration of key pharmaceuticals. International sales, through Janssen Pharmaceutica, headquartered in Belgium, and Cilag International, based in Switzerland, posted robust gains, up 32.2 percent. Domestic pharmaceutical sales advanced 11.1 percent, due to increased sales at McNeil Pharmaceutical, Ortho Pharmaceutical and Janssen USA. Ortho Biotech, which earlier this year became a separate subsidiary, also recorded increased sales of ORTHOCLONE OKT-3, a monoclonal antibody used to prevent acute rejection in kidney transplants.

During the quarter, the company received approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to market DURAGESIC, a new transdermal therapeutic system which delivers the drug fentanyl, an opiod analgesic, through the skin for the

management of chronic pain, such as cancer pain. This transdermal fentanyl patch is expected to be on the market in the first quarter of 1991. The company also recently announced a co- marketing and development agreement between Ortho Pharmaceutical and Organon, a subsidiary of Akzo, N.V. This agreement gives Ortho marketing rights to contraceptives and hormone replacement products containing Organon's desogestrel, a new synthetic version of the female hormone progesterone. Ortho is the leader in developing and marketing women's health care products and ranks number one in sales of oral contraceptives in the U.S.

Currently pending before the FDA are nine New Drug Applications (NDAs) and Product License Applications (PLAs), including PLAs to market EPREX for pre-dialysis patients who suffer from anemia and for AIDS patients in conjunction with AZT therapy.

Johnson & Johnson's Professional business includes suture and mechanical wound closure products, diagnostic products, medical equipment and devices, ophthalmic products, surgical instruments and medical supplies.

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Landmark Bancshares Corporation (NYSE: LBC) declared a dividend distribution of one preferred share purchase right on each outstanding share of the company's common stock. Each right will entitle shareholders to buy one one-hundredth of a share of a new series of non- voting junior participating preferred stock at an exercise price of $30.00. The rights will be exercisable only if a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of the company's common stock or announces a tender contemplating the acquisition of 20 percent or more of the company's common stock or if the board of directors determines that a person holding at least 10 percent of the company's common stock is acting or likely to act adverse to the company's best interests. The company will be entitled to redeem the rights at $0.01 per right at any time prior to the 10th day after the acquisition of a 20 percent position by any person or group or prior to the time a person is determined to be an adverse person.

If a person or group has acquired 20 percent or more of the outstanding common stock, each right not owned by the acquiror would become exercisable for the number of common shares that at the time had a market value of two times the exercise price of the right. Alternatively, if the company should be merged or combined with another compay after the rights have become exercisable, the rights would entitle the holders to buy, at the then current exercise price, common stock of the acquiring company having a market value of twice the

exercise price.

The rights distribution will be made on Nov. 8, 1990, payable to stockholders of record on that date, and will expire 10 years from the distribution date.

CONTACT: Mike Thaman, executive vice president and CFO, or Mary Scholz, VP, of Landmark, 313-963-2545, or Heather Wietzel, 312-266-7800, or Nancy Eichorn, 212-661-8030, both of the Financial Relations Board for Landmark

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LAGRANGE, GA. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Interface Inc. (NASDAQ: IFSIA) today reported a 7 percent increase in net sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 over the same period in 1989 despite slowing economies in several of its major markets.

Fully diluted earnings were $.30 per share, the same as for the third quarter of 1989.

Sales for the third quarter of 1990 increased to $151 million, up from $141 million for the same period in 1989. Net income was $5.7 million for 1990 compared with $5.8 million for the same quarter of 1989.

Ray C. Anderson, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: "Third quarter results were bolstered by a strong performance in Europe where we benefited from an expanding market and strengthening currencies, as well as a consolidation of pension plans. These largely offset the effects of slowing economies in North America and confirm the value of the strategy of geographical diversification which we initiated several years ago."

For the first nine months of 1990, sales increased 6 percent, to $456 million from $430 million last year. Net income was $17.9 million, a 6 percent increase over the prior-year's $16.9 million. Fully diluted earnings increased to $.94 per share, which compares with last year's $.89 per share.

Looking ahead, Anderson noted that continuing weakness in North American economies will make it difficult for the company to equal last year's record fourth quarter results.

Interface Inc. is the world's largest manufacturer of carpet tiles under the Interface and Heuga brands, and interior fabric under the Guilford of Maine brand, for use in offices, healthcare facilities, airports, educational and other institutions, and retail facilities. The company also manufactures carpet tiles for residential use. In addition, the company engages in the manufacture and sale of chemicals used in various rubber and plastic products, and offers Intersept(R), the company's proprietary antimicrobial chemical, under a licensing program to manufacturers of other products.

CONTACT: Dan Hendrix, chief financial office of Interface, 404-882-1891, or Janice Kuntz of Cameron Towey & Associates, 404-392-4239, for Interface

-30- 2400

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GOLDEN, CO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Canyon Resources Corp. (NASDAQ: CYNR), a Colorado-based mining company, today announced that construction delays on the new heap-leach pad at the Kendall Mine in Montana will result in lower than earlier estimated gold production for the year. Unexpected weather conditions and additional excavation necessary for removal of the underlying material during May-July, 1990 were the primary reasons for the delays. A total of 19,600 ounces of gold have been produced during 1990 to mid-October. The company now expects to produce 26,000 ounces of gold from the Kendall Mine for the full 1990 year and 45,000 ounces in 1991, as previously estimated. The delays in gold production and cash flow from the new pad startup have caused Canyon to curtail certain non-essential programs and modify its gold-loan obligations.

Canyon is actively seeking financing to enable it to take the Briggs (California) and Seven-Up Pete (Montana) gold projects through definitive feasibility and permitting and to provide sufficient working capital for present and future operations. Alternate financing methods, such as project joint venture, sale of an asset, or private placement financing, are being evaluated. Canyon has entered into an agreement with Bankers Trust Co. to assist the company in seeking private placement financing. "I am confident that Canyon will meet its objective of obtaining the financing necessary by year-end to move these projects forward so that ultimately the company can achieve gold production of 150,000 ounces per year," stated Richard H. De Voto, president.

CONTACT: Linda J. Engel of Canyon Resources Corp., 303-278-8464

-30- 1877

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Landmark Bancshares Corporation (NYSE: LBC) today announced that changed circumstances involving one particular loan and the company's decision to make a larger general addition to the loan reserve than earlier announced have resulted in a loss of $9.2 million, or $1.27 per common share, in the third quarter and $6.4 million or $.90 per common share year-to-date. The company had previously announced that it anticipated earnings of $1 million or 12 cents per share in the third quarter. The board of directors determined not to declare a fourth quarter dividend on common stock.

Acting on the recommendation of S. Lee Kling, chairman, the board of directors

formed a special committee to review and consider the appointment of a new chief executive officer either from within or outside the company. The board has approved the committee's nominee, electing James A. Saitz as president and chief executive officer of the company, and appointing Saitz to the board of directors. Kling will continue as chairman of the board. Saitz, formerly chief executive of Landmark's Illinois region, had been recently appointed to oversee the review of current loans, the resolution of problem loans and the reduction of nonperforming assets.

Kling commented, "With asset quality as our company's number one priority, we have placed in Mr. Saitz's hands the authority to take decisive steps necessary to improve our company's performance. The board of directors and I are confident that Mr. Saitz is the type of chief executive that the company needs, and he has our complete support."

Saitz said, "I appreciate the board's confidence. We have moved quickly to strengthen our portfolio management and review, with top priority given to the resolution of problem loans and the vigilant review of current credits."

Kling said, "Since making a preliminary announcement with regard to third quarter earnings on Sept. 27, circumstances involving a $7 million loan to a manufacturing company, included in projected nonperforming assets for the third quarter, had deteriorated substantially. Information subsequently received by the bank revealed unusual circumstances and complications which make full collection on this loan unlikely. As a result, we have charged off $4.0 million of this loan in the third quarter.

"We have met with unexpected circumstances relating to the large charge-off which occurred in the third quarter," Saitz continued. "Based on our assessment of remaining exposure on this particular loan, and an intensive review of our loan portfolio, we are increasing the loan reserve in the third quarter to approximately $27.8 million or 1.9 percent of loans. In so doing, we improve the balance sheet and strengthen the loan reserve against any potential losses going forward."

Kling said, "In light of year-to-date results, regulatory expectations and other considerations, the board determined not to declare a fourth quarter dividend on common stock. The declaration of future quarterly dividends on common stock will be considered on the same basis." The most recent quarterly dividend of 20 cents per common share was paid on Oct. 1, 1990.

Quarterly and Year-to-Date Results For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the provision for loan losses was $14.9 million compared with $1.6 million last year. The loan reserve at Sept. 30 was raised to $27.8 million from $16.9 million a year ago. Net charge-offs for the period were $5.2 million, or 1.39 percent of average loans compared with .42 percent in the third quarter of 1989. At Sept. 30, 1990, the nonperforming asset ratio was 3.74 percent, compared with 3.11 percent at June 30, 1990, and 2.78 percent at Sept. 30,

1989.

Total assets at period end were $2.0 billion, up 6 percent from $1.9 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. Total loans were up 4 percent, to $1.5 billion from $1.4 billion, and deposits increased to $1.8 billion from $1.7 billion a year earlier.

Shareholders' equity decreased to $117.6 million from $125.6 million. Average common shares outstanding for the third quarter increased 9 percent as compared with a year earlier. Book value per common share was $15.90 compared with $17.13.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net interest income was $17.3 million compared with $17.4 million in the third quarter of 1989. Noninterest income was $3.3 million vs. $3.9 million. Noninterest expense was $15.9 million compared with $14.6 million for the third quarter of 1989. Results for the third quarter of 1990 include an income tax benefit of $1.0 million compared with income tax expense of $1.4 million in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net interest income was $52.2 million compared with $52.3 million in the prior period, while noninterest income was $9.7 million vs. $10.2 million. Noninterest expense was $48.1 million compared with $43.1 million a year earlier. Results for the first nine months of 1990 include an income tax benefit of $0.4 million compared with income tax expense of $4.0 million in 1989.

Total nonperforming assets includes 18 percent retail loans, 9 percent construction and land development, 31 percent commercial real estate, and 19 percent commercial and industrial. Foreclosed property accounts for the remaining 23 percent. These percentages are generally representative of the loan portfolio mix.

Saitz noted, "Base operating results demonstrate our continued fundamental earnings strength. For the three- and nine-month periods, growth in average earning assets was 6 percent and 4 percent, respectively. However, this growth was not sufficient to offset declines in the net interest margin. Among the primary factors contributing to the unfavorable margin comparisons were the decline in general interest rates in the first quarter of 1990 and increases in nonperforming assets."

Commenting on expense control efforts, Saitz said, "Our efforts to control costs are working. Excluding foreclosed property expense and other one-time expenses, operating expenses were 3.02 percent of average assets compared with 3.03 percent in last year's third quarter."

The company has in excess of $1.0 million of tax benefits relating to net operating loss carryforwards and the alternative minimum tax attributable to year-to-date 1990 results which can be recouped in future quarters as earnings

return to normal levels.

In conclusion, Saitz said, "Our programs to strengthen asset quality and control operating expense will position our company to benefit from our market franchise and earnings potential. These actions further the advantages of our pending merger with Magna Group, Inc. and set the stage for enhanced returns to our shareholders."

Landmark Bancshares Corporation is a St. Louis-based multibank holding company with approximately $2 billion in assets and 50 locations in Missouri and Illinois.

CONTACT: Mike Thaman, VP and CFO, or Mary Scholz, VP, 313-963-2545, of Landmark; or Heather Wietzel, 312-266-7800, or Kathy Phelan, 212-661-8030, both of the Financial Relations Board for Landmark

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CHICAGO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Midway Airlines (NYSE: MDW) today announced that its board of directors has determined not to declare the $0.46875 per share quarterly dividend on the company's Series D cumulative convertible exchangeable preferred stock that otherwise would have been paid on Nov. 15, 1990.

Midway Airlines offers coast-to-coast service from its hubs at Chicago's close-in Midway Airport and Philadelphia International Airport. Midway Airlines and its wholly owned subsidiary, the Midway Commuter, serve 61 destinations in the United States, Canada, U.S. Virn? Islands and the Bahamas.

CONTACT: Sandra Allen of Midway Airlines, 312-838-4813

-30- 822

#90296p8400 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Duramed Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (NASDAQ: DRMD), has recalled selected batches of Conjugated Estrogens tablets which have failed to meet dissolution requirements, meaning one or more tablets in those batches did not dissolve quickly enough during regular follow-up laboratory tests. Analytical tests will be performed on all 1990 production lots during the next two weeks and the results will determine the total number of batches to be recalled.

E. Thomas Arington, president and CEO of Duramed said in making the announcement, "Consistent with our corporate position on product quality, we have suspended manufacture and shipment of the product until the review process is complete." Arington further stated, "While Conjugated Estrogens has been an important product to Duramed, the company continues to work for

corporate success with or without it." This recent development coupled with the previous tablet uniformity issue and the FDA's continued pursuit of the withdrawal of all generic Conjugated Estrogens products, has created an unusual financial burden for the company. Duramed management is presently reviewing all aspects of Conjugated Estrogens, and the possibility does exist that the company may discontinue marketing the product.

Arington further reported that Duramed can enjoy success in the future without Conjugated Estrogens. However, the FDA has regularly reviewed other Duramed products and any future adverse findings could have a material effect on the company's future.

On related matters, Arington stated the release of third quarter 1990 operating results would be made in approximately two weeks. He noted that exclusive of the Conjugated Estrogens recall, third quarter results exceeded those of the second quarter, but the recall and related matters could result in a substantial loss for the quarter.

Duramed Pharmaceuticals, Inc. manufactures and sells generic drug products comprised of various dosages of prescription and over-the- counter drugs. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol DRMD.

CONTACT: E. Thomas Arington, chairman and chief executive officer, or Timothy J. Holt, vice president, finance, 513-731-9900, both of Duramed Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

-30- 2489
#90296p8403 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDDLETON, MA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - NYNEX Information Resources Company, the directory-publishing subsidiary of NYNEX Corporation (NYSE: NYN), today announced a reciprocal Yellow Pages sales agreement with the United Kingdom's British Telecom.

The agreement allows NYNEX to sell advertising into British Telecom's directories and positions NYNEX as British Telecom's authorized sales agent for United States Yellow Pages directories. NYNEX Information Resources' National Marketing Services Group oversees the sales program.

"NYNEX has a 100-year legacy of bringing buyers and sellers together," said Harold A. Dakin, vice president of New Business Development at Information Resources. "This agreement bridges the Atlantic in enhancing NYNEX's Yellow Pages heritage. NYNEX's new joint sales pact with British Telecom proves that the Yellow Pages market is truly international."

Currently, approximately 150 United States directory publishers annually produce more than 6,000 Yellow Pages with revenues exceeding $7 billion.

United States businesses wishing to use the Yellow Pages medium in Great Britain to attract British consumers can now deal with one authorized sales agent, NYNEX, and benefit from the economy of scale the arrangement brings. NYNEX Information Resources now provides United Kingdom enterprises with an entry to the vast United States Yellow Pages consumer market.

"This agreement is another in a series of international initiatives that delineates NYNEX Information Resources as a world-class company and positions it in the vanguard of international information providers," said Dakin.

American firms desiring information on advertising into British Telecom's directories should contact NYNEX Information Resources at 800-233-1717.

NYNEX Information Resources Company is a subsidiary of NYNEX Corporation, one of the telecommunications companies created by the Bell System's breakup in 1984. In addition to its Middleton, Mass., headquarters, NYNEX Information Resources has major facilities in Lynn, Mass., and in North Greenbush and New York, N.Y. Information Resources annually publishes more than 300 White and Yellow Pages directories, primarily for New England Telephone and New York Telephone companies.

CONTACT: Neil S. Connors, 508-762-1329 or Edward McGrath, 508-762-1330, both of NYNEX

-30- 2549

#90296p8406 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

EMMAUS, PA. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Buckeye Management Co., general partner of Buckeye Partners L.P. (NYSE: BPL), today declared a quarterly partnership cash distribution of $.65 per unit payable Nov. 30, 1990, to unitholders of record on Nov. 8.

Buckeye Partners L.P., through its subsidiary entities, is one of the nation's largest independent pipeline common carriers of refined petroleum products with nearly 4,000 miles of pipeline operating in 11 states.

CONTACT: Thomas B. Dornblaser of Buckeye Partners, 800-422-2825

-30- 709

#90296p8409 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Beginning Friday, Nov. 23, through Sunday, Dec. 30, the Sheraton Seattle will offer all hotel guests a special holiday rate, seven days a week, the hotel announced today. The special offer includes a 50-percent discount for all rooms, plus a $20 merchandise certificate that can be used at any of the Bon Marche stores for in-store or mail-order shopping. Package price for main hotel rooms start at the half-price rate of $97.50, single or double occupancy. Towers rooms are also

discounted at 50 percent and will start at $119, single or double occupancy. Rooms rates are not valid with any other offer or discounts and are based on availability.

The Sheraton will continue to offer its "Very Important Kids" program on Saturdays for registered guests from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for children ages 5 through 12. The health club will also offer extended hours for adults on Friday and Saturday nights.

CONTACT: Louis B. Richmond of Sheraton Seattle Hotel and Towers, 206-621-9000

-30- 1188

#90296p8421 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OHIO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Delco Products Division of General Motors and Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: NCTI) announced today a joint program to investigate the application of NCT's noise and vibration reduction technology to Delco's engine mounts. Reduction of noise and vibration is an important contributor to improved customer satisfaction among owners of passenger cars and light trucks.

Delco Products, headquartered in Dayton, is a member of the Automotive Components Group (ACG). Delco Products manufactures suspension, wiper and chassis components.

Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc. headquartered in Stamford, Conn., holds patents for the process and application of electronic noise and vibration reduction.

CONTACT: Charles W. Kronbach of Delco, 513-455-7483, or Irene Lebovics of Noise Cancellation Technologies, 203-961-0500

-30- 1056

#90296p8427 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, VA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobil Corporation (NYSE: MOB) today reported estimated earnings for the third quarter of 1990 of $379 million, $153 million, or 29 percent, lower than the $532 million earned in the third quarter of 1989. Estimated earnings per common share declined to $.89 from $1.30.

Special items benefited this year's third quarter $111 million; this was $41 million lower than the $152 million benefit in the prior-year quarter. Excluding these special items from both quarters, earnings this year were $268 million, $112 million, or 29 percent, lower than last year.

In commenting on the third quarter results, chairman Allen E. Murray said: "The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the resultant embargo led to a loss of four

million barrels a day of free world crude oil supply, which increased crude prices dramatically.

"Although production from other countries has increased to almost offset the lost production, speculation that there might be an outbreak of hostilities in the Middle East has kept prices high. Contrary to current wisdom, these developments have not been favorable to our business in the third quarter.

"During the third quarter of 1990, results in our Marketing and Refining operations declined substantially, reflecting our inability to recover the rapid run up in crude oil and purchased product costs.

"In the United States, our monthly average crude oil cost more than doubled from June to September. However, we only recovered about one half of the increase in the market. In our International operations, results were also lower reflecting the impact of price controls in some key countries and competitive conditions in others.

"Exploration and Producing reported strong earnings as a result of higher crude prices. Apart from our own crude production, however, Mobil purchases substantial amounts of crude oil and products to meet its customers' requirements. The net effect was that the higher earnings in exploration and producing were more than offset by lower marketing and refining earnings."

Adjusted for special items, third quarter 1990 earnings were $160 million lower than in the second quarter of 1990. Similar to the comparison with the third quarter of last year, marketing and refining earnings were significantly lower, reflecting the substantially lower margins.

Realizations on product sales lagged the increase in hydrocarbon acquisition costs, while improved exploration and producing earnings, due to the higher crude oil prices, only offset about 50 percent of the decline in marketing and refining earnings.

Due to the weak third quarter earnings, estimated nine month 1990 earnings of $1,277 million were $85 million, or six percent, lower than the $1,362 million earned in the comparable nine month period last year. Estimated earnings per common share were $3.02, compared with the $3.32 earned in the first nine months of 1989. For the nine months, special items increased earnings $153 million in 1990, versus $12 million in 1989.

CONTACT: John Lord of Mobil, (703) 846-2500.

-30- 3301

#90296p8428 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Cordis Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CORD) today reported a 28 percent increase in sales and a 55 percent jump in net income

for its fiscal 1991 first quarter ended Sept. 30.

Revenues for the three months were $45.7 million, up from $35.7 million in the year-earlier first quarter. Angiography sales, which accounted for 91 percent of the total, advanced 31 percent while neuroscience revenues rose 2 percent.

Net income was $3.4 million, or 25 cents a share. This compared with $2.2 million, or 16 cents a share, in the corresponding quarter, which included a loss from a since divested joint venture of $614,000 or 5 cents a share.

Miami-based Cordis Corporation manufactures and markets a variety of medical devices and systems for the angiographic and neurosurgical markets. Shares of the company's stock are traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol CORD.

CORDIS CORPORATION
Condensed Statements of Operations
Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989
(unaudited)
(dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 45,716	$ 35,672
Income before income taxes	$ 4,562	$ 3,519
Provision for income taxes	$ 1,203	$ 737
Income before Theratek International, Inc.	3,359	2,782
Equity in loss of Theratek International, Inc.	--	(614)
Net income	$ 3,359	$ 2,168
Earnings (loss) per share:		
Income before Theratek International, Inc.	$ 0.25	$ 0.21
Equity in loss of Theratek International, Inc.	--	(0.05)
Net income	$ 0.25	$ 0.16
Weighted average shares outstanding	13,697,000	13,470,000

CONTACT: Chick McDowell, vice president of corporate relations and assistant secretary of Cordis Corporation, 305-824-2821

-30- 2212

#90296p8430 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DELRAY BEACH, FL (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - On Aug. 20, 1990, NSC Service Group, Inc. filed a report with the Securities and Exchange Commission announcing the incorporation of a new wholly owned subsidiary, FiberCorp, Inc.

FiberCorp will engage in the business of manufacturing and distributing, both nationally and internationally, products for the fiber optic telecommunications industry.

Ronald G. Caravello, the chairman and chief executive officer of the company and FiberCorp, has entered into a letter of intent to acquire, on behalf of FiberCorp, the exclusive worldwide license to manufacture and distribute a proprietary and fully developed fiber optic surveillance system to monitor fiber optic transmission equipment. FiberCorp is in the process of raising capital to provide the working capital to market the product to the international telecommunications industry.

On Oct. 4, 1990 FiberCorp received a purchase order from an Asian telecommunication company which provides for an irrevocable letter of credit in the amount of U.S. $2.6 million for the purchase of the 75 units.

Deliveries at the rate of ten per month will begin in the fourth quarter of calendar 1991. The purchase order requires that FiberCorp deliver packaging, shipping, and technical specifications prior to the delivery of the letter of credit. FiberCorp intends to deliver this information to the purchaser by the end of calendar 1990.

FiberCorp will be attending, as an exhibitor, the Tenth Annual Expo Comm China 90. This international telecommunications computer exhibition and conference is being held in Beijing on Nov. 8-13, 1990.

At this six day conference, FiberCorp will present its proprietary FOSS Unit to the 175,000 conference participants. FOSS provides telecommunication system operators with a standardized multi-vendor system to monitor the performance of the Optical Transmission and Receive Electronic components which house the critical Fiber Optic Laser Diode Telemetry.

FiberCorp's booth will be manned by its Far Eastern sales representative as well as its engineering personnel who will present complete system demonstrations as well as technical support information.

FiberCorp will manufacture and distribute surveillance, monitoring and testing products for the fiber optic telecommunication industry. The common stock of FiberCorp's parent, NSC Service Group, Inc., has limited trading in the over-the-counter market.

CONTACT: Ronald G. Caravello, chairman of FiberCorp, Inc., (407) 495-5568.

-30- 2750

#90296p8433 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - RELM Communications (NASDAQ-NMS: RGCY) reported a net loss of $198,000 ($.02 per share) on sales of $6,630,000 for

the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

On an operating basis, comparative losses were reduced 21 percent from $186,000 to $147,000. Inventories declined during the quarter by $1,175,000. The inventory reduction combined with corporate income tax refunds contributed to an increase in cash balances during the quarter. Working capital at Sept. 30, 1990, was $15,292,000 ($1.39 per share) and book value was $18,605,000 ($1.69 per share). The previous year RELM reported a net loss of $152,000 ($.01 per share) on sales of $6,246,000.

Steven L. Wilkening, president and COO, commented that operating results improved over last year primarily because of increased sales and gross margins from demand-side management and components. He added that the company continues to search for acquisition and merger possibilities.

RELM designs, manufactures and markets land mobile communications equipment, cellular telephones, utility demand-side management systems, electronic components and engages in contract electronic manufacturing.

RELM's 11 million common shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol RGCY.

RELM COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited; amounts in thousands, except per share)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Sales	$6,630	$6,246
Gross profit	1,459	1,276
Operating loss	(147)	(186)
Net loss	(198)	(152)
Loss per share	($.02)	($.01)
Average number of shares outstanding	11,024	11,024

CONTACT: Steven L. Wilkening of RELM Communications, Inc., 317-545-4281

-30- 2173
#90296p8436 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

GROVER, NC (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Minette-Bates Inc. announced the declaration of its second annual cash dividend of $.01 per share on its common stock. The dividend was declared by the board of directors on October 22, 1990.

The dividend is payable on November 19, 1990, to shareholders of record on November 1, 1990.

"I am pleased that Minette-Bates Inc. is able to declare its second annual cash dividend. Future dividends will be considered by the directors on an annual basis," said Thomas Tang, president of Minette-Bates Inc.

Minette-Bates Inc. manufactures and sells home furnishings, principally bedspreads, blankets and electric blankets through its subsidiaries Bates Fabrics, Inc., Minette Mills, Inc. and Casco-Belton Corp. The common stock of Minette-Bates Inc. is traded in the over-the-counter market.

CONTACT: Eric Tang, President, Minette-Bates Inc., 704-937-7611

-30- 1078

#90296p8438 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDISON, NJ (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Crestmont Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ-NMS: CRES) announced today that in its second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $103,000 or $.03 per share compared with a loss of $1,346,000 or $.36 per share in the corresponding period a year ago. For the first six months earnings were $176,000 or $.05 per share compared with $446,000 or $.12 per share a year ago. As part of its restructuring and ongoing review process, Crestmont realized approximately $550,000 of non-recurring income in the second quarter as it previously announced was probable. The company's tangible book value at Sept. 30, 1990, was $14.18 per share.

As stated at last month's annual shareholders meeting and in an accompanying press release, Crestmont returned to compliance with its risk-based capital ratio as of Aug. 31, 1990. Also stated at the meeting was that with the resolution of a previously disputed loan loss classification by the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), Crestmont is no longer in a position of having to report its risk-based capital ratio on two bases. At Sept. 30, 1990, this ratio was 7.09 percent compared to a current minimum requirement of 6.40 percent. Management is making every effort to continue improvement in this ratio as the minimum requirement increases to 7.20 percent at Dec. 31, 1990, and to 8 percent two years later. The tangible and core capital ratios which have all along been in compliance were 3.22 percent and 3.32 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to minimum requirements of 1.50 percent and 3 percent. As required, Crestmont had filed a capital plan with the OTS on July 6, 1990. The company was recently notified by the OTS that approval of the plan is no longer warranted since it has regained compliance with the risk-based capital requirements. If Crestmont should fall out of capital compliance in the future, a new capital plan would be required.

The OTS has indicated its intention to adopt a new core capital requirement similar to that adopted by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency. While a definitive statement cannot be made until such time as the regulations are adopted, it is likely that Crestmont will not meet the new requirement. The company also cannot state what restrictions, if any, it would face if it

was not in compliance with a revised core capital requirement.

At Sept. 30, 1990, non-performing assets were $67.7 million compared with $59.1 million at June 30, 1990, and $65.3 million at March 31, 1990.

The provision for loan losses was $750,000 in the first quarter and $1,731,000 in the second quarter. The provision was increased because of the continued deterioration in New Jersey real estate markets. At Sept. 30, 1990, the allowance for loan losses was $10.6 million.

Crestmont's results of operations are largely dependent on economic and market conditions, and a continuing weakness in the real estate market would likely result in further depressing the carrying value of assets and an increase in non-performing assets. Analysis and classification of assets is an ongoing activity and future quarterly performance could be uneven should market conditions not improve.

The regulatory environment with its evolving sets of standards, including the examination process, continues to be a matter of concern. It has been most difficult to meet the frequently changing and occasionally conflicting requirements. Operating decisions are made as the rules and procedures on critical issues such as capital and examinations change. Indeed, still arising with disquieting frequency is the question of who will be the primary regulator for the savings and loan industry. It is essential that there be more consistency so that the recovery process is not unduly impeded.

Seidman Financial Associates recently received approval to purchase up to 24.9 percent of Crestmont stock and has filed a revised Schedule 13-D to that effect.

Crestmont Federal Savings and Loan Association, with $1.5 billion in assets at Sept. 30, 1990, has 20 branch locations and two loan production offices serving Camden, Gloucester, Essex, Middlesex, Morris, Monmouth, and Union counties in the state of New Jersey.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Peoples Federal Savings and Loan Association ("Peoples"), a $61 million savings and loan association located in Bellevue, Ky., and Provident Bancorp, Inc. ("Provident") (NASDAQ: PRBK), a $2.3 billion bank holding company located in Cincinati, Ohio, jointly announced the signing of a definitive agreement to enter into a merger conversion transaction whereby Peoples will adopt a plan of conversion and acquisition which will result in it becoming a wholly owned savings and loan subsidiary of Provident. In conjunction with the transaction, Peoples

depositors will be offered the opportunity to subscribe for stock of Provident in a "Subscription Offering." The transaction is subject to Peoples member approval and receipt of necessary regulatory approvals and the definitive agreement allows Peoples to consider unsolicited proposals from other parties.

Peoples has two offices in northern Kentucky. Provident's subsidiaries currently provide banking services through offices in Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus, Ohio and in northern Kentucky. Allen L. Davis, president of Provident, stated, "Peoples is a well managed, customer service oriented financial institution. The merger will allow Provident to expand services offered in the northern Kentucky market. We are excited about the prospect of working with Peoples' directors, officers and employees. We believe this merger will offer greater opportunity for the employees as well as new products, services and conveniences to customers."

Larry J. Ludwig, CEO of Peoples, said, "This merger allows us to offer greatly expanded financial services to our customers. It provides the opportunity for us to compete on equal footing with major financial institutions in this marketplace. Our customers, employees and the community will significantly benefit from the combination of these very successful organizations."

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CHICAGO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Peoples Energy Corp. (NYSE: PGL) today reported preliminary results showing a marked downturn in net income and per-share earnings for its 1990 fiscal year, which ended Sept. 30.

The Chicago-based holding company for two natural gas utilities said unaudited results for the year indicate net income declined 23 percent to $67.5 million, or $2.07 per share. This compares with net income of $87.7 million, or $2.69 a share, for fiscal 1989.

Tracy cited last winter's warmer weather along with higher operating expenses and lower interest income as the principal negative factors affecting the company's 1990 performance. Weather alone, he said, reduced earnings by 19 cents a share.

These negative factors more than offset the effect of reimbursements from the state of Illinois for revenue shortfalls incurred by a subsidiary under a state low-income customer assistance program that ended last fall. The subsidiary recovered $17.6 million of revenue shortfall during the 1990 third quarter, compared to about $5 million received in the final period a year ago. The net impact of the shortfall recovery increased 1990 earnings by 19 cents

per share. Under a new program that began last November, utilities are reimbursed by the state -- generally month to month -- for assistance provided to low- income customers.

Peoples Energy and its two utility units had total revenues from operations in 1990 of $1.2 billion, down about 2 percent from the prior year. The decrease stemmed mainly from reduced gas deliveries due to weather that was 6 percent warmer than in fiscal 1989.

Fourth-quarter results -- which typically are in the red -- showed a loss of $19.2 million, or 59 cents per share. This compares with a loss of $10.9 million, or 34 cents per share, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. The variation is due in part to the positive effect in last year's fourth quarter of the $5 million cost-recovery payment that was received from the state. Other factors included higher labor costs and increased expenses for interest and depreciation during the current period.

Revenues for the 1990 fourth quarter amounted to $97.8 million, compared with $111.4 million a year ago.

In releasing results for fiscal 1990 on a preliminary basis, Peoples Energy said that final, audited financial and operating data will be available in about three weeks, when the company's 1990 annual report is mailed to stockholders.

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Bausch & Lomb Incorporated (NYSE: BOL) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 33 cents per share on the common stock of the company.

The dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of the business day on Dec. 3, 1990.

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FARMINGTON HILLS, MICH. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Citing mutual differences, Robert J. Mylod, chairman and chief executive officer of Michigan National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MNCO), announced today that he has accepted the resignation of Peter K. Thomsen from all positions within the company on behalf of the corporation and its subsidiaries.

Thomsen has also resigned as a corporate and bank director. Thomsen joined Michigan National Corp. in August 1986 as executive vice president and has served as president of Michigan National Bank since May 1988.

The day-to-day operations of the bank have been absorbed by members of Michigan National's senior management. Mylod has assumed the responsibilities of president of Michigan National Bank.

Commenting on the realignment, Mylod said, "This management team is strong and aggressive. It will continue to enhance and improve the momentum of our core businesses as it builds the future of Michigan National Corporation."

Michigan National Corp. is a diversified financial services corporation with total assets of $11.3 billion. It is a bank holding company and a savings and loan holding company. Michigan National Corporation's principal subsidiary, Michigan National Bank, has 200 branches throughout Michigan and operates the state's largest automated teller machine network. Michigan National Corporation has its headquarters in Farmington Hills.

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PHOENIX, AZ (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntellect Inc. (NASDAQ: SYNL) and Dytel Corp. announced today that they intend to delay completion of the proposed acquisition of Dytel by Syntellect. The two firms announced on Aug. 8, 1990, the signing of a letter of intent which contemplated that Syntellect would acquire Dytel through a stock transaction on or about Dec. 31, 1990. The companies cited turbulence in the financial markets as the principal reason for the delay in completing the transaction.

"Syntellect views the acquisition of Dytel as an important strategic move, and we look forward to completing the Dytel acquisition during 1991," said S. Thomas Emerson, Syntellect's chief executive officer. "In the interim, Syntellect and Dytel are cooperating in the marketplace, and we expect to complete a joint product distribution agreement within the next few weeks."

Syntellect Inc. develops, markets and supports a family of interactive voice response systems, and is the leading supplier of these systems worldwide. Syntellect sells its products primarily through a direct sales force and has an OEM relationship with IBM (NYSE: IBM), which markets and sells private-label versions of the company's products on a worldwide basis. The company's technology allows individuals to use a touch-tone telephone to access information in or services controlled by host computer networks. Syntellect is headquartered in Phoenix. Dytel Corp. of Schaumburg, Ill., manufactures call processing and voice messaging systems.

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BRIDGEPORT, Conn. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hydraulic Company (THC) today reported consolidated net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $2,807,000, compared with $2,582,000 in the 1989 third quarter, an increase of 8.7 percent.

Net income per share for the 1990 third quarter was 59 cents, compared with 55 cents in the 1989 third quarter.

Revenues were $20,997,000 and $19,149,000 in the 1990 and 1989 third quarters, respectively.

Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $5,246,000, down 10.3 percent from the $5,851,000 earned during the comparable 1989 period. Earnings per share were $1.10 for the first nine months of 1990, compared with $1.24 for the corresponding period in 1989.

Nine-month revenues in the 1990 and 1989 periods were $56,712,000 and $51,374,000, respectively.

Jack E. McGregor, THC president and chief executive officer, said the year-to-date decline in net income is largely due to lower earnings from the company's water utility segment.

McGregor noted that THC's public water supply subsidiary, Bridgeport Hydraulic Company (BHC), on June 29 filed an application with the Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control (DPUC) for a $9.8 million, 22 percent increase in annual revenues.

McGregor said a decision on the rate application, which is intended to enable the company to improve its earnings, is due from the DPUC by December.

In a separate application, the DPUC, effective Sept. 18, approved a Construction-Work-In-Progress (CWIP) surcharge that will allow BHC to recover the carrying cost of 90 percent of its investment in a filtration plant under construction at its Easton Lake Reservoir.

McGregor said THC's year-to-date earnings decline also is attributable to expenditures associated with expansion by Industrial & Environmental Analysts, Inc. (IEA), which was acquired by THC's principal nonutility subsidiary, Hydrocorp, Inc., in the second half of 1989.

IEA, which has multidisciplinary analytical laboratory operations in North Carolina, Vermont, and Massachusetts, recently added air sampling to its

water- and soil-analysis capabilities. In May it also formed an engineering consulting division specializing in ultra-high purity water systems for semiconductor manufacturers and other customers.

McGregor also observed that another THC nonutility subsidiary, Timco, Inc., which has forest products and electricity cogeneration operations in New Hampshire, benefited in 1989 from the settlement of a legal claim.

He said that THC's 1990 third-quarter net income improved as a result of tax benefits associated with its nonutility ventures.

A New York Stock Exchange-listed company, THC provides public water supply to a population of some 500,000 in 18 Connecticut communities through BHC and through BHC's Stamford Water Company subsidiary. In addition to its Hydrocorp and Timco operations, THC is engaged in the nonutility real estate field through Main Street South Corporation.

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DUBLIN, CA. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Hexcel Corp. (NYSE: HXL) today announced third quarter 1990 earnings of $361,000, 78 percent below net income of $1,649,000 reported in the third quarter of 1989.

The decline resulted from previously announced factors including reductions in spending for military aerospace programs creating excess capacity and costs at several plants, margin pressures in the honeycomb business, manufacturing difficulties which delayed full production of a new food additive and a slowdown in business at several of the company's European operations.

Sales in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $101,126,000, 4 percent above the $97,021,000 in sales for the comparable quarter of 1989. Primary and fully diluted earnings per share were 5 cents in the recent third quarter compared with 24 cents in the same quarter a year ago.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $3,295,000, a decrease of 50 percent from the $6,656,000 earned through the same period of 1989. Sales for the recent nine month period of $318,085,000 were 3 percent above the $309,112,000 in sales through the first nine months of 1989.

Primary and fully diluted earnings per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were 47 cents compared with 96 cents in primary earnings per share and 95 cents in fully diluted earnings per share for the comparable 1989 period.

Third quarter and nine months 1990 results benefited from the extension of the depreciation recovery periods of certain property and equipment to coincide with changes in business conditions.

"We anticipate an improvement in fourth quarter results from the third quarter " said Robert L. Witt, president and chairman. "Third quarter earnings typically lag the second and fourth quarters as many businesses in Europe close during the month-long summer holiday there. Furthermore, production levels for the food additive are now on target and the product will be at expected profitability levels in the fourth quarter."

Hexcel is an international developer and manufacturer of honeycomb, advanced composites, reinforcement fabrics, chemicals and resins for commercial aerospace, space and defense and other general industrial markets. Its stock is traded on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol HXL.

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DUBLIN, Calif. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Hexcel Corp.'s Board of Directors today declared a regular fourth quarter dividend of 11 cents per share, payable on Nov. 19, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 5, 1990.

Hexcel has paid dividends consistently since 1955.

Hexcel Corp. is an international developer and manufacturer of honeycomb, advanced composites, reinforcement fabrics, chemicals and resins used in the commercial aerospace, space and defense, and other general industrial markets. The company's shares are traded on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges (symbol: HXL).

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LANSING, MI (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Oldsmobile Division has taken another important step toward becoming the No. 1 customer-caring car company by providing a nationwide toll-free customer assistance network for its customers.

Simply by dialing 1-800-442-OLDS, any of the 11 million Oldsmobile owners nationwide can now reach the Oldsmobile Customer Assistance Network (OCAN), and receive immediate assistance with any request they may have. The hours are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday. To date, 60 customer service advisers are averaging around 1,000 calls a day. Additionally, they respond to 250 letters per day.

Implementation of the customer service 1-800 number began on Jan. 16, 1990, with the Pittsburgh zone. Each of Oldsmobile's 18 zones was subsequently added to the 1-800 number with the Dallas zone joining the system on Sept. 17, 1990.

"Part of our philosophy in becoming the No. 1 customer-caring car company is to assure that all our current and future customers have direct access to the best customer assistance network in the industry," said Ken McCourt, general director of customer service.

"We've assembled a team of outstanding advisers, plus state-of-the- art equipment, to courteously and quickly handle any customer's concern," he added.

Customers are encouraged to first contact their Oldsmobile dealer for assistance. In the event the dealership personnel can't help, the customer assistance hotline stands ready to assist the customer.

Nearly 80 percent of the calls received at OCAN are for information that are handled on the spot while 20 percent of the requests must be referred to the Oldsmobile dealer organization for handling.

There is also a special number for those people who just want product information, and that is 1-800-242-OLDS. Also, in addition to reacting to customer queries, a number of surveys are conducted by the OCAN staff related to a variety of product and customer issues.

The new customer assistance network is just one element in a far- reaching program to assure Oldsmobile customers are the most satisfied in the industry. Each buyer of a 1991 Oldsmobile also receives the benefits of the Oldsmobile Edge, which include:

-- Buyer may return vehicle within 30 days or 1,500 miles for any reason for credit toward the purchase of another Oldsmobile.

-- GM's comprehensive Bumper-To-Bumper-Plus 36-month/50,000-mile warranty.

-- 24-hour roadside assistance for the entire warranty period which covers accidents, flat tires, lock-outs or mechanical failures.

-- Buyers may also receive free computerized trip routing service, which includes maps, sightseeing tips and coupons.

"We're pleased that we can now offer our customers the benefits of both the Oldsmobile Customer Assistance Network and the Oldsmobile Edge," added McCourt. "Customer satisfaction is extremely important to today's discriminating car buyer, and we want to be sure today's car buyer becomes a member of the Oldsmobile family."

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ENCINO, CA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Properties Inc. (AMEX: MPP) announced today that it expects to declare the regular quarterly dividend of $.30 per share in December, payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 28, 1990.

The company said that it expects to continue the cash dividend policy of $1.20 per share annually, payable quarterly, and that cash available from operations should be sufficient to maintain this dividend rate.

Medical Properties said it is making this announcement at this time in response to questions regarding the cash dividend.

Medical Properties is a real estate investment trust engaged in investing in income producing health care related facilities.

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#90296p8467 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Delphi Information Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: DLPH) today reported continued improvement in operating results.

Revenues for the company's second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $5,049,000 compared to $4,242,000 for the same period in the prior year, a 19 percent increase. A profit of $32,000 or $.01 per share was recorded compared to a loss of ($539,000) or ($.13) per share incurred in the prior year's second quarter.

Richard Janssen, president and chief executive officer stated, "The financial improvement resulted from increases in systems sales, maintenance and service revenues. The acceptance of the IBM RISC System 6000 (RS/6000) and the company's new INfinity software by both new and existing customers has been very good and is expected to continue at increasing levels.

"We are also starting to see increased sales activity as a result of the expansion we made to our sales force earlier this year. Operating expenses for the quarter were essentially flat when compared to prior year and reflect achievements in cost reduction and cost containment programs implemented during the prior fiscal year."

Janssen also added that new software applications which further enhance insurance agency efficiency are on target for release in the coming quarters.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $11,722,000, compared with $10,497,000 for the year earlier period. Net income of $1,163,000 or $.26 per share was recorded, compared with net losses of ($197,000) or ($.05) per share for the sixth month period last year prior to the cumulative effect of an accounting change. Comparative prior year revenues and profits have been restated for an accounting change as previously reported by the company.

Janssen further stated, "The outlook for the remainder of fiscal 1991 is encouraging. We believe that revenue and profit growth will continue in the coming quarters. We also continue to believe that there will be a consolidation of agency automation vendors during the next year and that Delphi is well positioned to take advantage of this market condition."

Headquartered in Westlake Village, Calif., Delphi is the largest independent developer and marketer of turnkey automation systems for insurance agents and brokers in the property and casualty insurance field.

The Delphi system provides proven agency productivity and profitability increases through total agency automation, encompassing integrated functions of policy information, accounting, financial reporting, prospect management and cross selling, claims administration, management reporting, office administration, integrated rating and electronic interface with insurance carriers.

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#90296p8470 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BASKING RIDGE, NJ (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - NYCOR, Inc. (NASDAQ: NYCO) today reported that revenues for the third quarter of 1990 ended Sept. 30 totaled $1.5 million compared with $1.6 million a year ago. Net income totaled $1.0 million, or 4 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1990 vs. $1.3 million, or 6 cents per share, in the prior year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues totaled $4.6 million versus $3.9 million in the year-ago period. Income from continuing operations in the nine months was $3.4 million, or 14 cents per share, compared with $2.5 million, or seven cents per share, last year. Including income from discontinued operations of $1.2 million, or 8 cents per share, net income totaled $4.5 million, or 22 cents per share, in the nine months of 1990. This compares with net income of $55.3 million, or $3.86 per share, in the first nine months of 1989 when NYCOR sold its major operating business, and income from its discontinued operations contributed $52.8 million, or $3.79 per share,

to net income.

NYCOR revenues from continuing operations currently are comprised primarily of interest income, as the company sold or discontinued its manufacturing operations as of the second quarter of 1989. Net income declined in the third quarter of 1990 due to lower interest rates and higher expenses reflecting normal staffing consistent with NYCOR's chief objective of making a substantial acquisition of underperforming manufacturing assets.

NYCOR's balance sheet included cash and marketable securities of $73.8 million and no debt at Sept. 30, 1990. Stockholders' equity totaled $3.84 per share on a fully diluted basis.

NYCOR, INC.
Results of 1990 Third Quarter and Nine Months
(amounts in thousands, except per share data)

Period ended	Third Quarter		Nine Months	
Sept. 30,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 1,524	$ 1,599	$ 4,608	$ 3,913
Income from continuing operations	1,038	1,268	3,356	2,493
Income from discontinued operations	--	--	1,176	52,805
Net income	$ 1,038	$ 1,268	$ 4,532	$55,298
Earnings per share:				
Primary:				
Continuing operations	$ 0.04	$ 0.06	$ 0.14	$ 0.07
Discontinued operations	--	--	0.08	3.79
Net income	$ 0.04	$ 0.06	$ 0.22	$ 3.86
Weighted average shares	14,152	13,963	14,178	13,927
Fully diluted:				
Continuing operations	$ 0.05	$ 0.07	$ 0.17	$ 0.13
Discontinued operations	--	--	0.06	2.77
Net income	$ 0.05	$ 0.07	$ 0.23	$ 2.90
Weighted average shares	19,258	19,069	19,284	19,033
Preferred Stock dividends	$ 489	$ 489	$ 1,467	$ 1,467

Balance Sheet Highlights at Sept. 30, 1990

Cash and marketable securities	$73,767
Long-term debt	--
Stockholders' equity	$74,001

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RICHMOND, Va. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - At the annual meeting of stockholders of Universal Corporation (NYSE: UVV) held today, Henry H. Harrell, president

and chief executive officer, reported earnings for the first quarter ended September 30, 1990 were $7 million or 43 cents per share compared to $14.7 million or 87 cents per share a year ago. Net income in the first quarter of the previous year included $8 million or 47 cents per share resulting from the adoption of FAS 96 "Accounting for Income Taxes." For the first quarter of the current fiscal year, net income included $2.8 million of income tax credits on earnings permanently reinvested abroad for which taxes had been previously accrued. Gross revenues for the 1991 quarter were $744 million compared to $679 million last year.

In the current quarter, results from domestic tobacco operations were significantly above those of the previous year primarily due to an increase in the volume of flue-cured tobacco bought, shipped and processed. This was the result of increased orders and the current year's crop being marketed earlier than last year. Orders for the 1990 domestic burley crop are up substantially and indications are that the crop should be large enough to meet this demand.

Foreign tobacco earnings declined in the quarter principally due to delayed shipments by the company's European operations. Brazilian earnings, while comparable in the first quarter, are expected to be lower for the fiscal year since it appears that there will be minimal opportunities to duplicate foreign exchange transactions which resulted in $6.3 million net of tax gains last year.

Recent developments in the Soviet Union and eastern Europe toward free trade should have a positive and continuing impact on the company's operations as worldwide demand for American-type cigarettes increases. On August 30, 1990 the company completed the acquisition of Gebrueder Kulenkampff AG, which did not materially affect the results of operations reported in the current quarter.

Title insurance revenues declined from $109 million reported in the prior year to $100 million this year, reflecting the continuing slump in the U.S. real estate market. The resulting decline in operating earnings, when compared to last year, was exacerbated by reduced capital gains and a deterioration in claims experience.

Agri-products earnings were in line with last year with improved results from coffee and rubber being offset by a significant decline in earnings from peanuts. A severe drought in the southeastern United States has forced the company to satisfy forward sales commitments with peanuts purchased at prevailing market prices. The final results for the season are not yet known, but included in the current quarter is an estimated loss before interest for the year of $2 million net of tax.

Lumber and building product results were comparable to the prior year's quarter, with volume and margin increases being offset by the additional financing costs from last year's acquisitions.

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#90296p8473 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - John Wiley & Sons, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: WILLA), the publisher, announced today that two Wiley authors have been made Nobel Laureates for 1990.

E.J. Corey, co-author of The Logic of Chemical Synthesis, has won the Nobel Prize for Chemistry; Harry M. Markowitz, author of Portfolio Selection: Efficient Diversification of Investment, is one of three American recipients of the Nobel Memorial Prize for Economic Science.

Charles Ellis, president and chief executive of Wiley, said, "There can be no greater source of pride for a publisher than to have two authors on its list win Nobel prizes in the same year. We extend our warm congratulations to the two new laureates, E.J. Corey and Harry Markowitz."

Corey, of Harvard University, was recognized for developing a method of constructing molecules called "retrosynthetic analysis". While the traditional approach to chemical synthesis calls for the scientist to construct molecules by "building" them from their components, Corey's approach gives scientists a new method.

First, a scientist plans the molecule to synthesize and then studies its theoretical structure. In learning about the desired molecule's components, the scientist may find that some of the components exist or can be produced with relative ease. As a result, retrosynthetic analysis has helped reduce the number of steps, the complexity, and cost of traditional chemical synthesis.

Markowitz, a professor of finance and economics at Baruch College of the City University of New York, has been described by an economist at the Brookings Institution as one of the "Intellectual fathers of the mutual fund business."

He first gained attention for his work in the 1950s that helped investors weigh risk and return. Markowitz showed how to measure the risk associated with different assets and how to mix assets to achieve the maximum likely overall return with the least possible risk.

His Portfolio Theory, considered innovative when it was first developed in 1955, is now ubiquitous among stockbrokers, bankers, mutual fund managers, government agencies and million of individuals.

Founded in New York in 1807, John Wiley & Sons, Inc. is an independent, global publishing company that specializes in scientific and technical books and journals, professional and trade books and subscription services, and

educational textbooks and other materials for colleges and universities.

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#90296p8478 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANDOVER, MD (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Hechinger Company (NASDAQ-NMS: HECHA, HECHB), which operates a chain of specialty retail do-it-yourself home centers today announced quarterly cash dividends of $.04 cents per share on its outstanding Class A Common Stock and $.016 cents per share on its outstanding Class B Common Stock. Both dividends are payable on Nov. 23, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 2, 1990.

During the quarter, the company opened three Home Quarters Warehouse stores, one in Denbigh, Va., bringing the HQ presence in the Tidewater area to five stores; and on Aug. 19 the first two HQ stores opened in the Boston metropolitan area in the communities of Danvers and Norwood. These are the first two of approximately 12 stores planned for the Boston market. Other HQ expansion plans include Birmingham and Montgomery, Ala.; Memphis, Tenn.; Louisville, Ken.; and Cincinnati.

Hechinger also announced plans to open four Hechinger stores in 1991. The new stores will be located in Leesburg, Va.; Largo, Md.; Maple Shade, N.J.; and Reading, Pa.

Hechinger Company operates 87 Hechinger stores, 20 Home Quarters Warehouse Stores and six Triangle Building Centers in 14 states and the District of Columbia.

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#90296p8480 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DURHAM, NC (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Impel Marketing Inc. will move to new offices locate in the Meridian Business Campus in January. The Company has leased a 63,113-square foot building from CMD Properties located at 2510 Meridian Parkway.

"We're looking forward to moving into this new building which will give us much needed room to expand," said Impel President Hal Grant. He added that approximately 120 employees will move to the facility from its present location at 300 North Duke Street.

Impel Marketing Inc. is a subsidiary of Brooke Group Ltd. (NYSE: BGL) and specializes in the sales and marketing of a wide range of sports-related and

entertainment products.

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BUFFALO, NY (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Task Group, Inc. (NYSE: TSK), and Volmac Software Group N.V. of the Netherlands today announced that they have reached an agreement in principle whereby CTG will provide professional software implementation services throughout the United States and Canada to users of the SAP Product Line.

Under the agreement CTG will become a Preferred Vendor of SAP, U.S., in connection with the installation, support and maintenance of the SAP Product Line licensed to users throughout the United States. Volmac, a leading implementor of the SAP Product Line throughout Europe, will provide CTG with technical and marketing assistance in promoting the relationship.

Volmac is one of the leading software companies in European Community with 3,600 professional staff mainly in the Netherlands and Belgium. During the last six months Volmac has utilized members of its professional staff to conduct implementation services for the SAP Product Line in the United States.

With 1989 revenues of $233 million, CTG is one of the leading software service companies in the United States, with professional staff totaling 4,000 and an ongoing relationship with any potential users of the SAP Product Line.

In commenting upon the relationship, Jelle Dohmen, chief executive officer of Volmac stated, "We are pleased that World Software Group, a minority shareholder in both CTG and Volmac, have been able to assist both firms in creating a business relationship which will expand implementation services for the SAP Product line in the United States and Canada.

"We have had a very successful start in the United States with our SAP approach which we developed in Europe. However, we recognized we needed a strong U.S. professional services firm in order to reach our full potential in the U.S. marketplace; CTG is that firm. We are delighted that they have agreed to work with us."

David N. Campbell, chairman and chief executive officer of CTG stated, "SAP products originated in Europe and the technical expertise in order to implement and support the products resides solely within the European Community.

"Our relationship with Volmac will give us a significant competitive advantage over other U.S. competitors in implementing the SAP Product Line for clients throughout the United States. We look forward to the opportunity of serving

our clients through our relationship with Volmac."

Volmac is a Netherlands-based company. CTG is publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol TSK.

CONTACT: Joanne Starr of Computer Task Group, Inc., (716) 887-7276.

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#90296p8499 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States has elected Joseph J. Melone, who is resigning as president of the Prudential Insurance Company of America, as its new president and chief operating officer, according to an announcement today by Richard H. Jenrette, Equitable's chairman and chief executive officer. Previously, Jenrette also held the title of president. Melone will assume his new position on Nov. 5.

Melone, 59, has served as president of The Prudential, the largest insurance company in the United States, since 1984. He has had company- wide responsibility for individual insurance marketing activities and administration. During this period Prudential experienced record growth in premium income and statutory earnings.

Melone is a 1953 graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and subsequently earned his M.B.A. and a Ph.D. in economics from the Wharton School. After serving as an associate professor of insurance for seven years, he was research director of the American College of Life Underwriters for two years. He joined Prudential in 1968 as executive director, marketing development, and moved through various positions until his election as president in 1984. He is a Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU), Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC) and Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriter (CPCU).

Jenrette stated, "We are enormously excited to be able to obtain the services of one of the life insurance industry's most distinguished leaders. His vast knowledge of the life insurance industry, first as an academician and as the leader for many years of Prudential's highly successful field force, is the perfect complement to my own background in finance and investment."

Equitable is the third-largest life insurer in the nation after Prudential and Metropolitan Life. With total assets under management of $135 billion at mid-year. Equitable is the second largest asset manager after Prudential among the nation's major life insurance companies.

CONTACT: Nancy Amiel of The Equitable Financial Companies, 212-554-4293

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#90296p8501 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Rollins Inc. (NYSE: ROL), nationwide consumer services company, at a meeting of the board of directors today, declared a regular quarterly dividend of 14 cents per share, with payment Dec. 10 to stockholders of record Nov. 9.

Rollins owns and operates Orkin Exterminating Co. Inc., the world's largest termite and pest control company, which also provides lawn care and plantscape services; and Rollins Protective Services, one of the leaders and pioneers in residential security.

CONTACT: James R. Hicks Jr. of Rollins, 404-888-2350

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#90296p8512 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Minntech Corporation (NASDAQ: MNTX) reported today net earnings of $706,000 or $.25 per common share for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, up 52 percent compared to net earnings of $464,000 or $.17 per common share for the second quarter last year. Revenues for the second quarter were $6,924,000, up 17 percent from revenues of $5,902,000 for the same period last year.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net earnings of $1,354,000 or $.48 per common share, up 56 percent compared to net earnings of $869,000 or $.33 per common share for the first six months one year ago. Revenues for the six month period were $13,270,000, a 19 percent increase from revenues of $11,194,000 for the first six months last year.

Dr. Louis C. Cosentino, president, reported, "We are meeting our goals and continue to gain momentum in sales of reprocessing and dialysis products. Both sales and earnings in the second quarter increased by 9 percent over first quarter results. Profit margins in the second quarter and first six months equalled 10.2 percent of revenues. We are pleased with these results and are optimistic about the remainder of the year."

Minntech Corporation is a leading medical device manufacturer with advanced technology in electronics, solutions, fibers and plastics. The company's core technologies are being applied to the businesses of dialysis, reprocessing/sterilants, cardiosurgery and water purification. Minntech Corporation's common stock is traded on the national over-the- counter market under the NASDAQ symbol: MNTX.

MINNTECH CORPORATION
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited) (In thousands except per-share amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues:				

Net sales-products	$6,924	$5,902	$13,270	$11,080
Contract revenues	--	--	--	114
Total revenues	6,924	5,902	13,270	11,194
Operating costs and expenses:				
Cost of product sales	4,184	3,827	8,001	7,295
Research and development	417	292	724	598
Selling, general and administrative	1,266	1,036	2,518	2,062
Total operating costs and expenses	5,867	5,155	11,243	9,955
Earnings from operations	1,057	747	2,027	1,185
Interest income (expense), net	26	(23)	53	(54)
Earnings before income taxes and cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	1,083	724	2,080	1,185
Income taxes	377	260	726	426
Earnings before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	706	464	1,354	759
Cumulative effect on prior years of change in accounting for patent application costs, net of income taxes of $54,000	--	--	--	110
Net earnings	$706	$464	$1,354	$869
Earnings per share:				
Before cumulative effect of accounting change	$.25	$.17	$.48	$.29
Cumulative effect of accounting change	--	--	--	.04
Net earnings	$.25	$.17	$.48	$.33
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares	2,834	2,729	2,810	2,649

CONTACT: Robert M. Rosner of Minntech, 612-553-3300

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#90296p8514 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPRINGFIELD, MASS. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of trustees of CIGNA High Income Shares (NYSE: HIS) today declared a monthly dividend of 7-1/2 cents per share from net investment income, payable Dec. 10, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 28, 1990, as compared with the prior dividend of 9 cents per share.

CIGNA High Income Shares is closed-end investment company whose primary objective is to provide the highest current income obtainable consistent with reasonable risk, by investing principally in a diversified portfolio of high yield fixed-income securities.

The fund's investment adviser is CIGNA Investments, Inc., a wholly- owned subsidiary of CIGNA Corporation. The CIGNA companies are leading providers of insurance, health care, employee benefits and financial services to businesses and individuals worldwide.

CONTACT: Walter E. Watkins, Jr. of CIGNA High Income Shares, 413-784-0125, for CIGNA Corporation

-30- 1113

#90296p8519 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - William C. Liedtke Jr., chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Pogo Producing Co., (NYSE: PPP) today announced that the board of directors of the company, at their fall meeting, appointed Paul G. Van Wagenen as the new president of the corporation. Van Wagenen has been associated with Pogo for 11 years, serving as senior vice president and general counsel as well as a director of the company.

The Pogo chairman then reported the company's third quarter results. Pogo Producing Co. incurred a loss of $2,777,000 or 10 cents per share on revenues of $25,690,000. This compares to a loss of $1,886,000 or 8 cents per share on revenues of $29,137,000 for the same period of 1989.

Gas sales for the quarter ending September 30th averaged 85.7 million cubic feet per day compared to 106.6 million cubic feet for the third quarter of last year. The average price received for gas was $1.66 per Mcf compared to $1.84 per Mcf during the same period a year ago. Pogo elected not to exercise its full delivery capacity in making natural gas sales during the summer months because of lower than anticipated spot prices.

Total liquids production for the most recent three months averaged 6,387 barrels per day compared to 6,674 barrels per day in the 1989 third quarter. The average price received for crude oil-condensate in the quarter increased to $22.11 per barrel over last year's third quarter price of $18.93 per barrel.

William C. Liedtke Jr., chairman of the Houston-based oil and gas exploration and development company commented: "Although crude oil and condensate prices increased during the quarter, the increase is not reflected in our realized price for the quarter. These increases will be reflected in our fourth quarter results. Also, natural gas prices were down 10 percent during the quarter as in the third quarter of 1989. Additionally, natural gas volumes were down because of low prices which caused us to pass up a number of sales for various reasons, mainly relating to price. The reduced gas volumes also resulted in less condensate production. The futures market indicates that natural gas prices will be very strong in both the fourth quarter and the first quarter of 1991."

Pogo's positive momentum broadened this quarter in a number of ways, the company having announced that it has been successful in finding new reserves, both onshore and offshore, and increased the delivery capacity of existing reserves in order to take advantage of higher product prices this winter. The company also said it has lowered its interest charges even further, and continued to significantly reduce long term debt.

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#90296p8520 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Ryder System, Inc. (NYSE: R) today reported revenue of $1.4 billion for the third quarter of 1990. Net earnings in the quarter were $28.3 million, or $0.35 per share, it was announced by Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer M. Anthony Burns.

In the third quarter of 1989, revenue was $1.3 billion, and the company recorded a net loss of $27.6 million, or $0.38 per share, which included a one-time $57 million after-tax charge to earnings.

Revenue in the first nine months of 1990 was $3.9 billion, and net earnings were $67.7 million, or $0.80 per share. In the corresponding period of 1989, revenue was $3.8 billion, and net earnings were $31.1 million, or $0.33 per share.

In the Vehicle Leasing & Services Division, pretax earnings were higher in the third quarter of 1990 than the same period in 1989, excluding the effect of last year's unusual charges.

"The full-service truck leasing and dedicated contract carriage product lines continued to grow during the third quarter, each adding new customers," Burns said. "However, both commercial and consumer truck rental experienced low market demand, reflecting the nation's slowed economy and weakened housing market."

Excluding the effect of last year's unusual charges, pretax earnings of the Automotive Carrier Division were higher than they were in the third quarter last year. "Current year performance gains were reduced by higher fuel costs " Burns commented.

He added that the Automotive Carrier Division recently negotiated fuel adjustment agreements with virtually all of its customers, which enable the division to recover higher fuel costs. However, the full benefit of these increases will not be felt until the fourth quarter.

Ryder System, Inc. is the parent of a group of companies which provide high-quality highway transportation and aviation services. Revenue for the 12

months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $5.2 billion, and assets totaled $5.6 billion at Sept. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Robert H. Tromberg, group director of investor relations of Ryder System, Inc., 305-593-4053

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#90296p8522 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Software Inc. (NYSE: SSW) said its board declared the regular $1.80 quarterly dividend on Sterling's $7.20 Exchangeable Preferred Stock.

Dividend payment will be Nov. 15, 1990 to holders of record on Nov. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: Betty Feezor of Sterling Software Inc., 214-891-8600

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#90296p8525 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MICH. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors engineers today announced an advance in the use of ceramics for automotive gas turbine engines.

In a Department of Energy-sponsored program, General Motors engineers from the Advanced Engineering Staff and Allison Gas Turbine Division operated a ceramic turbine full speed at 2,500 degrees Fahrenheit.

"It demonstrates one of the key technologies for successful automotive gas turbines," said Philip J. Haley, project manager of the DOE program for GM.

The achievement that took place in April at the General Motors Technical Center in Warren, Mich., was announced today at the DOE's annual Automotive Technology Meeting for its contractors. Technically managed for the government by NASA at the Lewis Research Center (Cleveland), the program allows GM to develop technologies necessary for an automotive gas turbine.

"Gas turbines are attractive because of their potential for high fuel economy at good performance levels," said Albert H. Bell, gas turbine project manager for the Advanced Engineering Staff. "It also offers possible emissions reduction and multi-fuel capability.

"Its reduced mass and volume will mean more styling freedom for car designers " he added.

On display at the meeting was the Chevrolet Express, a fully operational concept car powered by GM's developmental gas turbine engine, the AGT-5.

CONTACT: David E. Sloan of General Motors, 313-986-5719

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#90296p8532 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

LATROBE, PA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Kennametal Inc. (NYSE: KMT) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 29 cents per share payable Nov. 23, 1990, to holders of record as of Nov. 9, 1990.

This action continues the dividend at the rate paid in the preceding seven quarters.

At the annual meeting of shareholders held today, the shareholders of Kennametal elected Peter B. Bartlett, Robert L. McGeehan, Eugene R. Yost and Warren H. Hollinshead to the board of directors for three-year terms expiring in 1993. Hollinshead joins the company's board as a result of the retirement from the board of Alex G. McKenna. Hollinshead is vice president, deputy finance of Westinghouse Electric Corp. McKenna, a former chairman of the board and one of the founders of the company, was named director emeritus by the board.

Kennametal also announced today that its board of directors has adopted a shareholder rights plan. Quentin C. McKenna, Kennametal's chairman and chief executive officer, stated that the plan is designed to deter unfair takeover tactics and to protect Kennametal's long-range strategic plans against disruption. McKenna emphasized that the board is not aware of and its action was not in response to any actual efforts to acquire control of the company.

Under the plan, Kennametal will distribute one stock purchase right for each share of capital stock held as of Nov. 2, 1990. Each right will entitle shareholders to buy 1/100th of a newly issued share of Series One Preferred Stock of the corporation upon the occurrence of certain events. The rights will be exercisable only if any person or group acquires ownership of 20 percent or more, or announces or initiates a tender offer for 20 percent or more, of Kennametal's voting shares or becomes a controlling person as that term is defined under the Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law of 1988. The rights will expire on Nov. 2, 2000.

If a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of Kennametal's voting shares or a 20 percent shareholder engages in certain transactions, each right will then entitle the holder other than the acquiror to purchase, at the exercise price, Kennametal Capital Stock or other property having a value of twice the exercise price of the right. In addition, if Kennametal is acquired in a merger or sells 50 percent or more of its assets or earning power, each right will then entitle its holder to purchase, again at the exercise price, common shares of the acquiring company having a value of twice the exercise price of the right.

Kennametal will be entitled to redeem the rights at $.01 per right at any time

until the 10th day following public announcement that a person or group has acquired a 20 percent position in the company.

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#90296p8537 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, N.J. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (NYSE: BMY) today announced that the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) endocrine and metabolic advisory committee has recommended pravastatin, the company's cholesterol-lowering drug, for approval in the United States. This recommendation was made at an FDA advisory committee Meeting held today in Bethesda, Md.

The committee also requested the company to conduct additional post- approval Phase IV studies focusing on special populations.

Pravastatin is the newest member of a class of lipid-lowering agents known as HMG-CoA reductase enzyme inhibitors, used to treat primary hypercholesterolemia after diet and lifestyle modifications have proved inadequate. Pravastatin lowers cholesterol levels in the blood by inhibiting the synthesis of cholesterol at the primary site of cholesterol synthesis, the liver.

The New Drug Application (NDA) for pravastatin was submitted to the FDA in January 1989.

Kenneth M. Given, senior vice president, worldwide medical and regulatory affairs, Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Research Institute, stated, "We are extremely pleased with the committee's decision to recommend pravastatin for approval. We are also very proud of the development work on this new product which led to the committee's decision."

Bristol-Myers Squibb is a diversified pharmaceutical company whose principal businesses are pharmaceuticals, nutritionals, consumer products and medical devices. The Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Group, a division of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, is among the world's leading makers of cardiovascular, anti-cancer, anti-infective drug therapies and diagnostic agents.

CONTACT: Robert F. Laverty of Bristol-Myers Squibb, 609-921-5551

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#90296p8538 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BELLWOOD, IL. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Sanford Corp. (NASDAQ: SANF) today announced that its board of directors has declared the company's regular

quarterly dividend of $.05 per share payable Nov. 30, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 13, 1990.

Sanford designs, manufactures and markets under its brand names Sanford and Sterling, marking and writing instruments and other office and school supplies. The company's product lines, which include a variety of markers, porous tip pens, stamp pads, self inking stamps, adhesives, molded plastic office accessories, file storage boxes and other school supplies, are distributed primarily in the United States and also in numerous foreign countries.

CONTACT: Henry B. Pearsall, Sanford chairman and CEO, 708-547-6650

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#90296p8542 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Scott & Stringfellow Financial, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SCOT) posted lower operating results on an unaudited basis for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 28, 1990.

The company's primary subsidiary is Scott & Stringfellow Investment Corp., a regional brokerage, financial services and investment banking firm headquartered in Richmond, Va.

Francis A. Pineno, president and chief executive officer, said gross revenues for the first quarter rose to $8,063,117 from $7,616,147, a 5.9 percent increase from last year's results.

First quarter income before taxes decreased to $340,026 from a year-ago level of $538,601, a 36.9 percent decrease. Net income for this quarter declined to $235,026 from $379,601, a 38.1 percent decrease. Earnings per share declined to $0.12 from $0.21.

Average common shares outstanding for the first quarter increased from 1,798,398 a year ago to 1,880,268.

During the first quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, the firm repurchased 120,450 of its common shares, bringing the cumulative number of shares purchased on its stock buy-back commitment since 1987 to 302,067 shares.

Scott & Stringfellow Financial, Inc. is the holding company of Scott & Stringfellow Investment Corp., a regional stock brokerage, financial services and investment banking firm headquartered in Richmond, Va. The common stock of the holding company has been traded in the Over-the-Counter market since an initial public offering in November, 1986. The firm has 24 branches throughout Va., N.C., and W.Va. and 375 employees of which 165 have full-time Investment Broker positions.

CONTACT: Francis A. Pineno, President and CEO, Scott & Stringfellow Financial Inc., 804-643-1811

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#90296p8543 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Legg Mason, Inc. (NYSE: LM) announced today that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend on its common stock in the amount of $.08 per share payable Jan. 14, 1991, to stockholders of record Dec. 20, 1990.

Legg Mason, Inc., headquartered in Baltimore, is a holding company which provides securities brokerage, investment advisory, and other financial services through its wholly owned subsidiaries.

CONTACT: John F. Curley Jr. of Legg Mason, (301) 539-3400.

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#90296p8544 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BASKING RIDGE, NJ (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - NYCOR, Inc. (NASDAQ: NYCO) today announced that the board of directors has declared regular quarterly dividends of two cents per share of common stock and 1.8 cents per share of class B stock, payable Dec. 4, 1990 to stockholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

The board also declared the regular quarterly dividend on NYCOR's $1.70 convertible exchangeable preferred stock of $0.425 per share, to be paid Dec. 15, 1990 to stockholders of record as of Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Barbara VanBlarcum of NYCOR, 201-781-5400

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#90296p8545 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, Calif. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Allergan Inc. (NYSE: AGN), announced today that sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 8 percent to a record $222.2 million over the same period a year earlier. At constant currency rates, sales grew 4 percent during the third quarter. Allergan net earnings for the quarter were $25.4 million, or 14 percent less than the pro forma earnings of $29.4 million for the same period in 1989. Earnings per share for the third quarter were $0.37. Additionally, Allergan said that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of $0.07 per share, payable Dec. 7, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 16, 1990. The company also announced that Howard E. (Ted) Greene Jr., chief executive officer of Amylin Corp. and founder and former chief executive officer of Hybritech Inc., was elected to its board of directors.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Allergan worldwide net sales

increased 7 percent to a level of $638.5 million. At constant currency rates, sales grew 5 percent during the nine month period. Net earnings for the first nine months were $56.1 million, or 14 percent less than the pro forma earnings for the same period in 1989. Earnings per share were $0.83 for the first nine months of 1990.

Allergan Inc., formerly a division of SmithKline Beckman Corporation, became a stand-alone public company on July 27, 1989, resulting in a new capital and administrative structure. For this reason, 1989 financial data should be adjusted from an "as reported" basis to a "pro forma" basis to compare meaningfully with 1990 results. See "Discussion of Pro Forma Results" below.

Commenting on the operating results for the third quarter, Gavin S. Herbert, chairman and chief executive officer said, "Adverse sales trends continue in our Optical business in the United States, but sales growth was strong in the Pharmaceutical, Surgical and Dermatology businesses. Overall profitability improved compared to the first two quarters of the year, with both gross profit margin and operating earnings ratios to sales showing favorable trends. The net earnings to sales ratio also improved as continuing debt reduction and the settlement of certain U.S. tax issues lowered interest expense. The company's positive cash flow has enabled us to reduce debt by $32 million or 14 percent from year-end levels, improving our debt to equity ratio to 40 percent from 53 percent at year end. In view of these trends, we have initiated a stock buyback program of up to 1.2 million shares." Noting Ted Greene's election to the board, Herbert said that Greene's experience in health care and technology management will enhance the company's research and development activities.

CONTACT: Norris Battin (media), 714-752-4345 or 714-673-4299 (home); or Jeff D'Eliscu (investors), 714-752-4636 or 714-675-9475 (home), both of Allergan Inc.

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#90296p8546 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of WICOR, Inc. (NYSE: WIC), the Milwaukee-based parent of Wisconsin Gas Company and Sta-Rite Industries, Inc., today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 36 cents per share of common stock. The annual rate is $1.44. The dividend is payable Nov. 30 to shareholders of record Nov. 9.

WICOR is a Milwaukee-based holding company. Its primary subsidiaries are Wisconsin Gas Company, the state's largest natural gas distributor, and Sta-Rite Industries, a manufacturer of pumps and other fluids-handling equipment and controls.

CONTACT: Kathleen S. Sieja, 414-291-6950, or John P. Hoy, 414-291-6568, both of WICOR, Inc.

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#90296p8547 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Harman International Industries, Incorporated (NYSE: HAR) today announced its results for the first fiscal quarter which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales were $131.6 million, a 12 percent increase over sales in the comparable quarter last year. Earnings per share decreased from 40 cents to 11 cents.

Commenting on the results, Dr. Sidney Harman, chairman and chief executive officer said:

"As predicted, results for the first quarter were adversely affected by weak demand in the U.S. for automobiles and other consumer durable hard goods. This economic weakness which was evident in the last half of the last fiscal year has been exacerbated by the tension in the Middle East. As a consequence we anticipate a relatively soft second quarter.

"Despite the slow U.S. economy, our Loudspeaker Group contributed impressively during the first quarter. The strength of the JBL, Infinity and Pyle brand names was quite apparent in this difficult market environment.

Harman International Industries, Incorporated is a leading manufacturer and worldwide marketer of high-quality, high-fidelity audio and video products for consumer home and automotive, professional and original equipment manufacturer (OEM) markets.

HARMAN INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIES, INCORPORATED
First Quarter Results -- Fiscal 1991
(In Thousands Except Earnings Per Share)
Income Statement
(Unaudited)

	Period Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989 First Quarter
Net sales	$131,595	$117,962
Operating Income	7,471	9,815
Earnings Before Taxes	1,596	5,655
Net Income	969	3,429
Earnings per share of common stock	0.11	0.40
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	8,753	8,680

CONTACT: Steve Smith, treasurer, Harman International, 202-393-1101

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#90296p8549 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Lennar Corporation (NYSE: LEN) today declared regular quarterly cash dividends of $.06 per common share and $.05 per Class B share. Both dividends are payable Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 5, 1990.

Lennar is one of the nation's leading home builders and real estate companies. Based in Miami, the firm has more than 125 residential communities currently under development in Florida and Arizona.

CONTACT: Allan J. Pekor, financial vice president of Lennar Corporation, 305-559-4000

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#90296p8553 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
AMARILLO, TEXAS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Southwestern Public Service Co. (NYSE: SPS) today elected company President Bill D. Helton to be additional post of chief executive officer.

The board elected Senior Vice President Coyt Webb to the additional post of chief operating officer, which had been held by Helton. The board elected Executive Vice President Doyle R. Bunch II to the additional post of chief financial officer. It is the first time the board has designated a chief financial officer by title.

The officer changes are transitions preparing for the planned retirement next year of SPS Chairman of the Board W.R. Esler. Esler had been chief executive officer as well.

Helton was president and chief operating officer since 1989. He began with SPS in 1964 as a distribution design engineer. He subsequently held positions in marketing and in financial services. He was elected financial vice president in 1983, vice president of corporate services in 1986 and executive vice president in 1987.

Helton is a registered professional engineer and a graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. He is vice chairman of the Southwest Power Pool and a member of the board of directors of the North American Electric Reliability Council. He is a member of the boards of directors of the Amarillo and Texas chambers of commerce, and has held leadership positions in several civic and professional organizations.

Webb was senior vice president and controller since 1986. He also is president of Quixx Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of SPS. He began with SPS in 1964 as an auditor. He later was supervisor of internal auditing and

then administrative assistant. He became SPS's director of accounting in 1979 and controller in 1980.

Southwestern Public Service Co. primarily provides electric service to a population of more than one million in a 52,000-square-mile are comprising eastern and southeastern New Mexico, the South Plains and Panhandle of Texas, the Oklahoma Panhandle and southwestern Kansas. Corporate headquarters is in Amarillo.

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#90296p8554 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - NACCO Industries, Inc. (NYSE: NC) today announced net income for the third quarter of $9.0 million, or $1.01 per share compared with net income of $13.8 million, or $1.55 per share, reported in the same period last year.

Net income for the first nine months was $31.6 million, or $3.56 per share, compared with net income of $35.0 million, or $3.95 per share, in the first nine months of last year.

In the quarter, NACCO's subsidiary, Hyster-Yale Materials Handling, reported revenues of $204.6 million, down from $257.0 million in the same period last year. Prior year revenues included $40.8 million from certain assets held for sale as well as Hyster-Yale's Brazilian operation which have been deconsolidated for 1990.

In addition, lower revenues reflect reduced shipments compared to a period last year when Hyster-Yale enjoyed record demand. Operating profit of $20.8 million for the quarter declined in conjunction with the lower revenues. On a positive note, debt prepayments of more than $100.0 million since the acquisition of Hyster caused a significant decrease in interest expense in the quarter. Mining operations remained stable during the quarter with North American Coal shipments totaling 5.4 million tons.

Proctor-Silex increased unit shipments during the quarter and nine-month periods and gained market share in certain core products. Although revenues have increased, margins have been reduced by weaker than expected market conditions.

Ward Smith, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Earnings for the quarter were below last year's record pace because of a decline in shipments of lift trucks. As expected, we are feeling the effect of a downturn in the U.S. economy which has reduced demand for materials handling equipment and has adversely impacted market conditions in housewares."

NACCO Industries is a holding company that has three major operating subsidiaries. Hyster-Yale Materials Handling, Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets forklift trucks and related service parts under the Hyster and Yale trade names.

Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of small electric appliances. The North American Coal Corporation mines and markets lignite coal for use primarily as fuel in power generation by electric utilities.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - USLIFE Corporation (NYSE: USH) today reported third quarter and first nine months operating results.

Excluding capital gain transactions, third quarter 1990 earnings per share increased nine percent to $1.08, compared to 99 cents for the third quarter of 1989 before an extraordinary charge. First nine months 1990 earnings per share excluding capital gain transactions, amounted to $3.00 compared to $2.92 for the 1989 period before the extraordinary charge.

Third quarter 1990 net income per share includes capital gain transactions equivalent to approximately two cents per share, versus approximately 22 cents per share from such transactions in the corresponding 1989 period, producing a negative swing of 20 cents per share.

Net income per share for the first nine months of 1990 also includes capital gain transactions equivalent to approximately two cents per share, versus approximately 54 cents per share from such transactions in the first nine months of 1989, for a negative swing of 52 cents per share.

For the third quarter of 1990, net income (including capital gain transactions) amounted to $17.7 million versus $21.3 million income before the extraordinary charge for the third quarter of 1989, with earnings per share of $1.10 compared to $1.21 for the 1989 period. Net income for the third quarter of 1989, after a $6.5 million extraordinary charge, amounted to $14.7 million or 83 cents per share.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, net income (including capital gain transactions) amounted to $49.1 million versus $60.2 million before the extraordinary charge for the first nine months of 1989, with earnings per share of $3.02 compared to $3.46 for the 1989 period.

Net income for the first nine months of 1989, after the aforementioned $6.5 million extraordinary charge, amounted to $53.7 million or $3.08 per share. Total revenues were $914 million for the 1990 period versus $895 million for the first nine months of 1989.

The extraordinary charge in 1989 relates to a judgment upheld against a subsidiary of the company by the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals in September 1989. The judgment stemmed from a class action lawsuit initiated in 1975 that related to an acquisition by a company that was subsequently acquired by USLIFE Corporation.

The board of directors declared a dividend on USLIFE common stock of 37 cents per share. This dividend is payable November 30, 1990, to shareholders of record on November 15, 1990.

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PEARL RIVER, N.Y. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. (NYSE: ORU) today reported that total electric and natural gas operating revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $143.4 million, versus $127.7 million in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, total electric and natural gas operating revenues were $420.4 million, compared with $396.2 million for the same period in 1989.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $17.3 million, or $1.25 per share compared with 1989 third quarter earnings of $15.0 million, or $1.09 per share, according to James F. Smith, chairman and chief executive officer. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $34.2 million, or $2.41 per share, versus $32.8 million, or $2.34 per share, a year earlier. The third quarter increase primarily reflects higher electric sales resulting from a warmer summer than that experienced last year as well as increased average energy use per customer. Further, a reduction in depreciation expense, provided for in an Aug. 29, 1990, New York electric rate case settlement agreement, also contributed to the improved quarterly earnings.

Electric Revenues

Total sales of electric energy to retail customers during the third quarter of 1990 were 1,145,271 megawatt hours (Mwh), an increase of 4.1 percent over the comparable period a year ago. Electric revenues from retail customers during the quarter were $127.4 million, compared with $115.2 million for the quarter of 1989. This increase reflects higher sales as well as the higher recovery costs of purchased power and fuel used for electric generation, which do not have an impact on earnings.

Revenues from sales to other utilities in the third quarter of 1990 amounted

to $5.8 million, compared with $2.7 million a year ago. Sales to these utilities totaled 180,917 Mwh, compared with 93,341 Mwh in the third quarter of 1989. While the timing of these sales may affect interim results, as it did this quarter, revenues from these sales are primarily a recovery of costs in accordance with applicable tariff regulations, and consequently they have little impact on the company's annual earnings.

Gas Revenues
Gas sales to firm customers during the third quarter of 1990 totaled 1,557.0 million cubic feet (Mmcf), compared with 1,412.4 Mmcf during the same period a year ago. Third quarter gas revenues from firm customers were $9.7 million, compared with $8.9 million in the third quarter of 1989. This increase reflects slightly higher sales and higher purchased gas costs than those experienced a year ago. This quarter's gas sales have little impact on the annual results of operations, since only a small portion of the company's total gas sales are made outside of the winter heating season.

Orange and Rockland serves an area of 1,350 square miles and a population of more than 655,000 in southeastern New York State, northern New Jersey and northeastern Pennsylvania. It generates, distributes and sells electricity, and distributes and sells natural gas.

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REGO PARK, NY (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Globus-Gateway and Cosmos have joined the National Parks and Conservation Association and will provide information and educational material on conservation on all itineraries that visit national parks.

Twelve of Cosmos's 28 tours of the United States and 20 of Globus-Gateway's 39 North America tours visit national parks. Tour members on all departures of these itineraries will receive an NPCA pamphlet describing the association's goals and projects.

Tour directors, in addition to their normal commentaries, will pass on information on the National Park System, the NPCA's causes and undertakings and the "do's and don'ts" of behavior within the parks.

A mail-in coupon within the NPCA pamphlet will feature a special offer of a year's membership for $15 - against the standard $25 - and a free National Parks map and guide booklet.

Membership also provides six issues a year of the organization's magazine, National Parks; a Rand McNally atlas; reduced rates for car rentals and photo processing; use of the National Parks Education center - for books, videos,

detailed maps, trail guides; and a camping guide.

Philip Gordon, director, planning and operations, at Globus-Gateway/Cosmos, said the company had been searching for an effective way to promote its interest in conservation for more than a year.

"The percentage of our itineraries that feature national parks is evidence enough of their importance to us, so our support for their preservation is enlightened self-interest, at the very least," Gordon said.

"One motorcoach with 40 people aboard emits far less in pollutant fumes than a dozen or so automobiles carrying the same number of visitors; we're quite consciously ahead in that respect, but we felt the need to further the cause directly."

On each brochure page where park visits are described or listed, the company is including text that presses home the conservation message: "Behold the unspoilt beauty of Montana's Glacier National Park...and celebrate the 75th anniversary this year of the founding of America's National Park System...We want to help preserve these natural areas and wildlife habitats to ensure that you have the opportunity to enjoy their beauty today - and tomorrow."

Globus-Gateway/Cosmos also plans to take part in specific projects of the National Parks and Conservation Association as they arise, Gordon said. Further information can be obtained from Globus-Gateway/Cosmos at 95-25 Queens Boulevard, Rego Park, N.Y. 11374 or 150 South Los Robles Avenue, Pasadena, Calif. 91101.

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FREMONT, NE (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - While millions of Americans lament that U.S. jobs are being lost overseas due to the high volume of foreign product imports, Shade Pasta, Inc. of Fremont is doing its part to reverse the trend. Shade Pasta is using imported Italian technology and equipment to produce its DeFINO No-Boil(R) lasagna 30 miles northwest of Omaha in America's heartland.

A predecessor to Shade, DeRosa Pasta Company, imported Italian lasagna for several years and developed a small but intensely loyal customer-base for the No-Boil lasagna. But DeRosa ran into financial difficulties and sold its assets, including newly developed and never-used Italian pasta manufacturing equipment and a license to use it to Shade.

Since Shade acquired the DeRosa company in early 1989, it has invested several million dollars more in additional equipment for its 29,000-square-foot

Fremont plant. The plant's current capacity is more than 30 million pounds of pasta per year.

The technology which eliminates the boiling step in preparing pasta dishes is the result of research started in the mid-1970s by Mapimpianti S.P.A. of Milan Italy. Mapimpianti worked for 15 years to develop a dry no-boil lasagna noodle. Its process is the first significant change in pasta manufacturing since its inception.

Traditionally, dry lasagna noodles had to be cooked before they could be used in lasagna. The dry noodles were boiled for ten to 15 minutes, drained, separated and layered in a pan with sauce, cheese and other ingredients before being baked another 45 minutes. Shade's new dry Pasta DeFINO No-Boil lasagna noodles are pre-cooked and absorb moisture from other ingredients while they heat in either a conventional or microwave oven.

Consumers and food-service institutions alike have indicated they prefer not to cook, separate and handle the hot, limp noodles and they enjoy the quality and taste of the resulting product.

Shade is a subsidiary of Norfoods, Inc. of New York. Norfoods has various food interests, including Cofinco, Inc., a coffee and cocoa bean trading company, and Finora Co., Inc., a trading company, both in New York.

It also has Drumheller Bag and Supply, Inc. in Valdosta, Ga., and Garnac Grain Co., a grain exporter in Overland Park, Kan., and Shade Foods, Inc., an ingredient supplier to the diary, baking and cereal industries in Belmont, Calif., and Kansas.

Sales of DeFINO No-Boil lasagna by Shade Pasta Inc. mark Norfood's first venture into the pre-cooked pasta industry.

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SEOUL, KOREA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - A McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) MD-11 long-range aircraft today completed a record non- stop flight from Dallas to Seoul.

Flying against a strong headwind of up to 100 knots, it landed here at 6:45 p.m. local time after leaving Dallas yesterday and covering 7,266 miles (11,693 km) in 14 hours and 50 minutes. The flight was made as part of the MD-11's certification flight test program to demonstrate long-range flight under airline operating conditions.

McDonnell Douglas has applied to the U.S. National Aeronautic Association to register the flight with the F.A.I.(International Federation of Aeronautics) as an official point-to-point world speed record between Dallas and Seoul.

George G. Field, MD-11/DC-10 general manager of product definition, design and test, said, "The run confirms the MD-11's ability to fly the long routes for which it was designed. The adverse winds at this time of year also provide a realistic picture of airline-type flying in worst case conditions."

The MD-11 landed with enough reserve fuel remaining to meet regulatory agency and airline margins for flying to an alternate airport if necessary.

The big airliner carried 34 passengers and crew, including McDonnell Douglas engineers, mechanics and others, and FAA representatives "to very accurately measure the aircraft's fuel consumption and to evaluate cockpit crew workload during a long flight," Field said.

Three General Electric CF6-80C2 engines provided power, performing flawlessly throughout the flight, as did all the aircraft's advanced systems.

The 2,000-hour flight test program with five MD-11s began Jan. 10 of this year. Two aircraft were used for determining the MD-11's handling and operational characteristics and limits.

Two other MD-11s were used for development and certification of the advanced avionics and flight deck systems. The fifth aircraft, equipped with a passenger interior, was added for a final group of tests -- including today's flight -- to check systems function and reliability under airline operating conditions.

The MD-11 is built by McDonnell Douglas at its Douglas Aircraft Co. plant in Long Beach, Calif. Three models are available -- passenger, freighter and "combi," in which both passengers and cargo can be carried on the main deck. MD-11s may be ordered with seats for more than 400 passengers; a typical three-class arrangement has 293 seats. As of Oct. l, l990 orders and other commitments had been received from 32 customers for 375 aircraft.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Bonneville Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: BPCO), today announced that it has consummated its previously announced agreement with Portland General Corp. (NYSE: PGN).

Pursuant to the agreement on Oct. 23, 1990 Portland General acquired 3,333,333 newly issued shares of Bonneville's common stock for $20,000,000, completed

the acquisition of outstanding warrants for 4,000,000 shares of Bonneville's common stock for $4,000,000 and received from Bonneville an option to acquire additional shares of Bonneville common stock.

As part of the terms of the agreement, directors Raymond L. Hixson, Robert N. Pratt, Stephen D. Nadauld and David M. Higbee have resigned from Bonneville's board of directors and have been replaced by Richard G. Reiten, Richard E. Dyer and CD Hobbs of Portland General.

In an effort to more closely align the accounting policies and procedures of Bonneville with those of Portland General, Bonneville also announced that it would change its fiscal year-end to Dec. 31 from April 30.

Bonneville has also elected to modify certain of its accounting policies relating to project development rights and the capitalization of costs for projects in the development process. The initial implementation of these modified policies will result in Bonneville writing off approximately $13.3 million of project related costs.

Bonneville also noted that it will establish a reserve of $3 million as a result of the declining value of certain assets at its food processing plant in California and will establish a $3.5 million reserve against its Kyocera electric generating facility. All of these adjustments, which are non-cash in nature, will be reflected in Bonneville's results for the second quarter which ends Oct. 31, 1990.

Bonneville's chairman of the board and president, Robert L. Wood, noted that, "with the completion of this agreement with Portland General, we are now well positioned to focus on the future and take advantage of the numerous opportunities available to us in today's market."

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Financial News Network Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FNNIE) and Infotechnology, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ITCH), today announced that, contrary to a published report on the Dow Jones Professional Investor Report, no bid has been received from National Media Corporation for the 51 percent position in The Learning Channel collectively held by FNN and Infotech.

As previously announced, FNN, Infotech, and the American Community Service Network have agreed to explore strategic alternatives with regards to their combined 82.5 percent stake in The Learning Channel, Inc., including its possible sale.

Preliminary bids have been received from several other parties. The

speculation as to potential ultimate value of the bids in the published report is apparently based on press reports from a number of months ago, when the market values of media companies were significantly higher, and before bids were solicited or received. It does not represent the current opinion of FNN.

The bid amounts are confidential. Further discussions are continuing as to the amounts bid and as to substantial bid contingencies. There can be no assurances that such a transaction will occur.

The Learning Channel is a cable television programming service that provides 24 hours daily of adult educational programming to up to 18 million households.

Financial News Network provides three services to more than 35 million homes on 3,500 cable systems throughout the United States and Canada. The services are: FNN:Business (business news and personal financial management); FNN:Sports (sports information and news), and FNN:Data Broadcasting (stock quotes and market information).

FNN also operates a business radio service, and owns 49 percent of Shark Information Service Corporation (supplying investment professionals with quotes and market data).

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HARTFORD, CT and BOSTON (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Shawmut National Corporation (NYSE: SNC) today reported net income of $11.9 million, or 15 cents per common share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $66.4 million, or 90 cents per common share, in the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $82.7 million, or $1.10 per common share, vs. $197.8 million, or $2.63 per common share, in the first nine months of 1989.

Earnings for the quarter were negatively affected by a higher level of nonperforming assets, which reduced the net interest margin, lower levels of interest earning assets, and a higher provision for possible loan losses. These factors were partially offset by securities gains of $8.5 million and a net gain of $7.8 million relating to the securitization and sale of certain assets.

The corporation's interest-earning assets averaged $23.1 billion in the third quarter of 1990 and $23.4 billion for the first nine months, compared with $24.9 billion and $24.7 billion, respectively, in the comparable year-ago periods. Total loans averaged $16.1 billion for the third quarter of 1990 and

$17.3 billion for the first nine months, vs. $19.0 billion in the third quarter of 1989 and $18.8 billion for the first nine months of the previous year.

The return on average assets was .18 percent for the quarter and .43 percent for the first nine months of 1990. Return on average common equity was 3.21 percent for the third quarter and 7.81 percent for the first nine months of this year.

Third quarter net interest income, on a fully taxable-equivalent basis, was $196.6 million, an 18 percent decrease from $240.3 million in the same period in 1989. Nine-month net interest income was $613.1 million in 1990, down 18 percent from $749.4 million in the year-ago period, due to a lower level of interest-earning assets combined with lower net interest margins. The corporation's net interest margin for the third quarter was 3.38 percent, vs. 3.57 percent for the second quarter of 1990 and 3.83 percent for the third quarter of 1989. The decline was due to the higher level of nonperforming assets and the lower level of noninterest-bearing deposits, combined with a higher percentage of money market assets, reflecting the corporation's liquidity initiatives.

Shawmut National Corporation is a superregional bank holding company with headquarters in Hartford, Conn., and Boston. The corporation has a branch network of nearly 400 offices in New England. Its principal subsidiaries are Connecticut National Bank in Hartford and Shawmut Bank in Boston.

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RADNOR, PA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Sun Co. (NYSE: SUN) today reported net income of $25 million, or $.24 per share of common stock, for the third quarter of 1990.

This represents a 71 percent decrease from the $85 million, or $.80 per share of common stock, earned in the third quarter of 1989.

Third Quarter	1990	1989
Revenues	$3,350,000,000	$2,730,000,000
Net Income	$25,000,000	$85,000,000
Net Income per Share of Common Stock	$.24	$.80
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding	106,909,794	106,931,907
Nine Months		
Revenues	$9,350,000,000	$8,300,000,000
Net Income	$211,000,000	$271,000,000

Net Income per Share of Common Stock	$1.97	$2.54
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding	106,977,972	106,843,427

Robert McClements Jr., Sun's chairman and chief executive officer, said that the current crisis in the Middle East has had a significant negative impact on Sun Company. The decrease in the company's third quarter income was attributable to significantly lower domestic refining and marketing earnings, as a result of the company's inability to fully recover its increased crude oil costs in the marketplace. He also noted that higher earnings at Suncor, Sun's 75-percent-owned Canadian vertically integrated petroleum subsidiary, were offset by lower results from coal and real estate operations.

Domestic refining and marketing earnings were $14 million in the third quarter of 1990 versus $73 million in the third quarter of 1989, a decrease of $59 million. Commenting on the quarter, McClements said, "This is clearly one of the most volatile quarters in the history of the refining and marketing business. The three months of the quarter were dramatically different, as we went from a strong summer performance to a period after the August 2 invasion of Kuwait when the cost of crude oil more than doubled. Prices for gasoline, our major product, were unable to keep pace with the significant and frequent increases in raw material costs. The wholesale margins for residual fuel, distillate, propane and asphalt were even more negatively impacted."

McClements also noted that despite the Middle East crisis, Sun has been able to acquire enough crude to satisfy the needs of its refineries.

Referring to the improved results at Suncor, McClements said, "Suncor's earnings increased $7 million, compared with the third quarter of 1989, primarily due to higher oil sands and refining and marketing earnings. The increase in oil sands earnings was attributable to a 35 percent increase in average synthetic crude oil prices to $25.00 per barrel, partially offset by lower synthetic crude oil production volumes, resulting from a 1990 second quarter planned maintenance shutdown which was completed in mid-July." McClements indicated that, unlike the domestic R&M business, Suncor's refined product margins improved, despite significantly higher crude acquisition costs due to the use of the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method of accounting for Canadian inventories.

Discussing the lower results in Sun's coal business, McClements said the decline was mainly due to higher per ton mining costs resulting from poor mining conditions in certain Eastern operations.

McClements noted that results at Sun's real estate operations declined $6 million, compared with the year-ago period primarily due to lower results from housing projects and rental properties.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $211 million, or $1.97 per share of common stock, compared with $271 million, or $2.54 per share for the similar period last year. The decline in earnings during the first nine months was primarily due to lower domestic refining and marketing and international exploration and production results and the absence of a $35 million after-tax gain on the partial divestment of an office building recognized by Sun's real estate development subsidiary in the 1989 second quarter. Partially offsetting these negative factors was a $30 million after-tax benefit recorded in the 1990 first quarter, resulting from the cumulative effect for prior years of a change in accounting principle related to refinery maintenance shutdowns.

Revenues were $3.35 billion in the third quarter of 1990 compared with $2.73 billion last year. Revenues for the nine months were $9.35 billion in 1990 compared with $8.30 billion in 1989.

In an earlier announcement, the company indicated that in August it had reinstituted its stock repurchase program. During the third quarter of 1990, the company purchased 280,300 shares for $9.2 million.

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-30- 5161

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TWINSBURG, OHIO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Revco D.S., Inc., today announced that the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Akron, Ohio has denied the company's motion for a further extension to Dec. 31, 1990, of the exclusive period within which only Revco can file a plan of reorganization. The company's present period of exclusivity expires Oct. 31, 1990.

The court also denied a motion by the official and unofficial creditor committees in Revco's Chapter 11 case to end immediately the company's exclusivity.

According to Revco Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Boake A. Sells, "Revco needs to get out of Chapter 11 and focus on running drugstores. Today, Judge White encouraged all parties concerned to negotiate a consensus plan before Oct. 31. The court has sent a clear message to everyone that it's time to take this step toward exiting Chapter 11."

Revco has been in Chapter 11 since July 28, 1988. Based in Twinsburg, Ohio, the privately held company operates over 1,100 drugstores in 10 states.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Shell Canada's (Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver, Alberta: SHC) consolidated earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $166 million or $1.48 per Class ''A'' Common Share compared with earnings of $178 million or $1.59 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Earnings of $108 million or 96 cents per Class ''A'' Common Share were recorded in the third quarter of 1990 compared with $1 million or one cent per share for the corresponding period in 1989.

Oil Products earnings increased to $69 million in the third quarter of 1990 from $10 million in the same period of 1989 due to higher sales volumes and firmer sales margins resulting from stable retail market conditions and improved refinery operations. Resources earnings were $33 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared with a loss of $7 million for the same period of 1989. The improvement was the result of higher sales prices for crude oil and natural gas liquids due to recent events in the Persian Gulf, higher sales volumes for all products, in particular natural gas and natural gas liquids, and lower exploration expenses. Chemicals earnings improved compared with 1989 by $6 million to $16 million, primarily due to higher styrene margins.

Resources performance is expected to remain strong for the rest of the year if current crude oil prices are sustained. In the Oil Products segment, fourth-quarter earnings performance will be dependent on the ability to flow through the higher cost of crude oil to the market.

Cash flow from operations for the first nine months was $491 million compared with $447 million for the same period in 1989. The increase resulted from improved earnings in Oil Products and Resources.

Capital and exploration expenditures for the first nine months of 1990 were $415 million compared with $537 million for the same period in 1989. Resources expenditures of $266 million were primarily for natural gas exploration and development activities in Western Canada. Resources spending in 1990 was lower than anticipated due to delays in the commencement of Caroline development. Oil Products spending of $94 million included $58 million for improvements to the retail network and $36 million for manufacturing projects.

The Corporation issued debt of $150 million at the beginning of October 1990 for general corporate purposes. Further funding may be needed before year-end for working capital requirements if crude oil prices remain at current levels.

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#90296p8582 10/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON, (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - CACI International Inc. (NASDAQ: CACIA) today announced its revenue and earnings for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

Dr. J.P. London, president and chief executive officer, reported that CACI revenue for the first quarter FY91 was $35,642,207, compared with FY90's revenue of $34,617,378, a 3 percent increase.

Net income for the first quarter FY91 was $677,329 vs. FY90 net income of $837,150. Earnings per share were $.06 compared to $.07 a year ago.

London commented, "Along with virtually all our business colleagues in the information systems and software products industry, we are seeing a soft buyer market with tighter margins and a 'wait-and-see' approach due to U.S. government budget uncertainty. CACI's response to the market is increased effective sales, marketing investments for the future, and appropriate cost restructuring."

CACI, in its 29th year, is an international high-technology and professional services corporation. CACI is a leader in advanced information systems, engineering, logistics, proprietary software and market analysis. CACI provides worldwide services in support of national defense agencies, civil government and commercial enterprises.

CACI offices are located in major cities in North America and Western Europe. Corporate headquarters are in the metropolitan Washington area.

CACI INTERNATIONAL INC.

Quarters ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenue	$35,642,207	$34,617,378
Net earnings	677,329	837,150
Net earnings per share	$.06	$.07

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BOWLING GREEN, OH (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Candy Graham, president of Mid American National Bank and Trust Company, today announced the consummation of Mid American's purchase of the Findlay, Ohio, branch of Union Federal Savings Bank.

This office is now part of Mid American's commercial banking operation and will be known as the Findlay Banking Center. The new banking center, located at 127 East Main Cross, is now fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance

Corporation (FDIC). "The addition of a second banking center in Findlay will strengthen our presence in that city, which has been enjoying excellent growth in recent years," stated Graham. In addition to the new Findlay office, Mid Am's Tiffin Avenue office will change its name to become the Eastside Banking Center.

As a result this association, Mid American National Bank and Trust Company has three offices in Hancock County and 29 banking centers located in six counties throughout Northwest Ohio.

Mid-Am, Inc. (NASDAQ: MIAM), through its affiliates -- Mid American National Bank and Trust Company, Bowling Green; First National Bank Northwest Ohio, Bryan; The Farmers Banking Company, N.A., Lakeview; The Citizens Loan and Building Company, Lima; and Home Saving and Loan Association, F.A., Defiance -- has 53 banking centers operating in 12 counties in northwest and west central Ohio.

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DUBLIN, OH (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Pickett Suite Hotel Master L.P. I today released the following:

The General Partner has advised the Partnership that it does not expect to have sufficient funds to meet its obligations under the Performance and Breakeven Guaranty unless its partners provide additional funds to the General Partner. Although the General Partner has requested such funds from its partners, they have not yet committed to provide such additional funds to the General Partner, but negotiations are continuing in an effort to determine the circumstances, if any, under which the partners may be willing to provide such funds. The Partnership will not have sufficient cash to pay the November 14, 1990 distribution without funds provided by the General Partner pursuant to the Performance and Breakeven Guaranty and future cash distributions may therefore be limited to the cash generated by the Partnership's three properties.

Pickett Suite Hotel Master L.P. I announced that it had formally changed its name to "PSH Master L.P. I", effective October 11, 1990. Management stated that the elimination of the "Pickett" designation from the partnership's name was necessary to complete the transition of its hotels to the Guest Quarters Suite Hotel brand.

The cash loss from operations (net loss before depreciation and amortization expense) was $332,428, or $.107 per unit, during the third quarter of 1990 compared to a cash loss of $69,182, or $.022 per unit, in the third quarter of

1989. Year-to-date, the partnership's cash flow from operations was $343,797, or $.11 per unit, compared to $324,092, or or $.10 per unit, during the same period last year.

Combined occupancy during the third quarter was 67.5 percent down from 71.2 percent in the third quarter of 1989. Soft demand in the Florida markets during the quarter, resulting from a slower domestic economy and events in the Persian Gulf, offset continued improvement in volume at the Raleigh/Durham hotel. Operating revenues of the Partnership were $4,463,933 for the third quarter, resulting in a net loss of $1,138,988. Year-to-date operating revenues were $15,278,378 and the net loss was $2,085,271. Comparative results for 1989 were third quarter revenues of $4,620,231 and a net loss of $883,897 and year-to-date revenues of $14,431,428 and a net loss of $2,131,060.

The Partnership continues to investigate the sale of the Disney hotel, but due to present worldwide capital shortages and a weakening economy, the disposition of the Disney hotel at an attractive price appears unlikely during 1990.

The Partnership issued $31.1 million of units of limited partnership interest in July 1987 to finance the $69 million acquisition of three hotels located in Walt Disney World(R), Tampa and the Research Triangle near Raleigh/Durham, N.C. Originally managed as Pickett Suite Hotels, the properties began operations as Guest Quarters Suite Hotels in December 1989.

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NEW YORK, (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas G. Plaskett, chairman and chief executive officer of Pan American World Airways, announced today that Pan Am has signed a broad-scale cooperation agreement with United Airlines to strengthen each airline's competitive global position.

Under the alliance, United will acquire for $400 million Pan Am's U.S.-London route authorities (except Miami and Detroit); certain other Atlantic authorities from points other than New York; leasehold rights and assets in San Francisco and Washington-Dulles; two Boeing 747-200s and two spare engines and spare parts.

The two airlines anticipate working closely together in the future in order to take advantage of mutually beneficial long-term opportunities in schedule coordination, facilities sharing and joint marketing programs and joint tour programs.

Pan Am and United have also agreed to reciprocal participation in each other's frequent flyer programs -- Pan Am's WorldPass and United's Mileage Plus

programs. The combination of these two popular programs will create one of the most extensive air networks in the world for mileage accumulation and awards.

"This alliance is consistent with our 'rightsizing' strategy and provides us with the financial resources to pursue our strategic objectives," Plaskett said.

Plaskett continued, "Customers of both Pan Am and United will benefit greatly from the linkage of the two airline route systems into what we believe will be one of the largest and most significant alliances of its type in the airline industry."

Drawing on the complementary strengths of their route systems, the cooperative effort will be able to take advantage of growth opportunities in a dynamic European market and rapidly developing Latin American marketplace. As a first step, the airlines will coordinate their schedules at Miami, as well as to Central and South America from the West Coast of the United States.

Plaskett said Pan Am will now concentrate on one major European hub, Frankfurt. He noted that Pan Am will strengthen this key market by introducing new 747 nonstop service between Los Angeles/San Francisco and Frankfurt in 1991. In addition, he said Pan Am will increase its existing Miami-Frankfurt 747 services in 1991.

As part of the strategy of expanding Continental European operations with twin-engine A310/300 aircraft, Pan Am plans to inaugurate several new nonstop services next year, including New York-Amsterdam, New York- Hamburg, New York-Oslo, New York-Stuttgart/Nuremberg and New York- Zagreb, Plaskett noted.

Pan Am said that, after United's acquisition of its London authorities, Pan Am will serve 33 European destinations, including 27 nonstop markets from the United States.

Pan Am will also continue to increase its Miami presence by adding new long-haul flights from Miami to South America, he added. Furthermore, the airline plans to add new domestic flights to Miami, including Detroit and Cleveland.

The agreement is subject to various final approvals by appropriate U.S. government and foreign government authorities. The alliance is anticipated to be fully in effect by early 1991.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - A federal appeals court has rejected an attempt by Great Western Bank, a FSB, to switch its deposit insurance coverage from the thrift fund to the bank fund.

In upholding a lower court decision, the Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco ruled that a merger designed to effect the insurance transfer was not grandfathered under a previous law, and that regulators were not "arbitrary or capricious" in denying the merger in 1989.

The appeals court ruled Oct. 18 that federal law must be construed so as to "prevent the exodus of healthy thrifts from the insurance fund."

Great Western, the nation's second-largest thrift, filed a merger application in October 1988 with the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, predecessor agency to the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS).

At the time, Great Western was insured by the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation (FSLIC). The institution proposed to convert to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) by merging with a smaller affiliated institution, Great Western Savings Bank, Bellevue, Wash., which was FDIC-insured.

Great Western claimed that under the Competitive Equality Banking Act of 1987 (CEBA), it was exempt, or "grandfathered," from a temporary prohibition against leaving FSLIC because it took certain steps by the March 31, 1987, deadline to exit FSLIC.

Great Western claimed it satisfied this requirement by entering into a memorandum of understanding on March 30, 1987, to merge with another FDIC-insured affiliate, Great Western Thrift and Loan, Salt Lake City.

The Bank Board denied the application on the grounds that, under CEBA, Great Western could not merge with the Washington thrift for the purpose of leaving FSLIC based on a memorandum of understanding with another institution.

Great Western subsequently sued the Bank Board in U.S. District Court in Los Angeles, and, in June 1989, Judge Harry Hupp ruled in the Bank Board's favor.

In upholding Judge Hupp's decision, the appeals court ruled that, although Great Western entered into a letter of intent with the Utah thrift by CEBA's statutory deadline, "the moratorium exemption transaction contemplated in the memorandum of understanding must be the same transaction through which the institution departs from the FSLIC insurance system."

The three-judge panel rejected Great Western's argument that it was in technical compliance with the CEBA exemptions, ruling that the grandfathering provisions must be "narrowly construed so as not to frustrate the purpose of the moratorium -- to prevent the exodus of healthy thrifts from the insurance

fund."

Under the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989, FSLIC was dissolved and replaced by the Savings Association Insurance Fund (SAIF). Both SAIF and the Bank Insurance Fund (BIF) are now administered by the FDIC.

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TORONTO, (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Denison Mines Limited today announced that earnings for the third quarter of 1990 rose to $7,515,000 or $0.04 per participating share, compared with a loss of $4,019,000, or $0.15 per participating share, a year earlier. The per share results are calculated after provision for preferred share dividends. Revenue rose to $98,297,000 from $80,115,000.

Helen Roman-Barber, Denison's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, attributed the significantly improved results ''to higher oil prices and better overall performance in the mining division.''

For the first nine months of 1990, Denison recorded a loss of $94,340,000 or $1.69 per participating share, compared with earnings of $5,325,000, or a loss of $0.25 per participating share, a year earlier. The 1990 results include an $80,000,000 second-quarter write-down in oil and gas. Revenue was $268,899,000 down from $274,545,000.

Mrs. Roman-Barber said that ''the higher oil prices that resulted from the uncertain political and military situation in the Persian Gulf area have contributed to a dramatic improvement in the performance of Denison's oil and gas division.''

The average price received by Denison rose to $21.93 per barrel of oil in the third quarter of 1990 from $12.24 per barrel during the second quarter of the year and $14.87 per barrel during the third quarter of 1989. In addition, Denison's oil production rose in the third quarter with the completion of maintenance workovers on key wells offshore Greece.

Mrs. Roman-Barber said that the previously announced production and workforce reductions at the Elliot Lake uranium operations ''were successfully implemented on August 1, 1990,'' with production now normalized at an annual rate of 2.6 million pounds of uranium oxide, which is being sold on the basis of long-term contracts.

Denison and its joint-venture partners are evaluating feasibility studies of the Midwest uranium project in northern Saskatchewan, ''with the expectation

that a production decision will be made by year end,'' she said.

Mrs. Roman-Barber said that ''Denison concurs with independent market analysts who predict that uranium prices will rise significantly by the mid-1990s, as consumption by the world's nuclear generating stations continues to exceed production.''

She said that ''the third quarter also saw continued improvement at Denison's potash operations in New Brunswick, as prices remained stabilized, operating performance improved and the mine's new hydraulic backfill system has proven to be a success.''

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BRISTOL, TENN. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Communications Workers of America (CWA) today denounced what it called United Inter-Mountain Telephone's attempt to "strong-arm" workers into accepting health care cutbacks, and circumvent the bargaining process.

CWA said the company sent a letter directly to workers threatening to cut off all health care benefits by Nov. 1, if workers did not agree to the company's cutbacks proposal.

"We are appalled by the coercive tactics that United Telephone has resorted to in these negotiations," said CWA Vice President Gene Russo. "United is refusing to bargain in good faith. CWA has repeatedly requested information which is essential to evaluate the company's proposal on health care, and consistent with the union's duty to represent its workers. This is information to which the union is legally entitled, but which they have refused to produce. They have stalled and delayed, and now are using fear and intimidation and making a mockery of collective bargaining process."

"What's at stake here is whether corporate headquarters in Kansas City can dictate to the people of east Tennessee and southwest Virginia how we meet our families' health care needs," said Darrell Freeman, president of CWA Local 3871. "Ratepayers and United's workers should not be held hostage to plans dictated by Kansas City carpetbaggers.

"Believe me," Freeman continued, "if a profitable company like United carries out its implied threat and locks us out of our jobs because we refuse to be intimidated and take drastic cuts in health benefits, CWA members are not the only ones who will suffer. Our entire community will feel this blow, first in disruptions in telephone service, and second, in the loss of income for 670 families and the local businesses they patronize."

CWA is filing charges of unfair labor practices with the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) because of what the union called United's illegal changes in the terms and conditions of work, and withholding relevant and necessary information critical to the bargaining process.

The union contract at United Telephone expired on Aug. 23; workers have stayed on, working under the terms of the previous contract, while negotiations have continued.

CWA represents more than 670 workers at United Inter-Mountain Telephone, and several thousand workers at other United Telephone companies.

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MIAMI, (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Atico Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ATFC) today reported net income of $1.0 million, or $.18 per common share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and net income of $3.1 million, or $.54 per common share, for the first nine months of this year. This represents the fourth consecutive quarter the company has reported net income in excess of $1.0 million. Chairman William H. Allen Jr. said the favorable 1990 earnings reflect the continued improvement in the company's non-earning asset levels and continued reduction in operating expenses. Non-performing assets have been reduced by almost 30 percent over the past 12 months.

The net loss of $37.4 million, or $6.65 per common share, in the 1989 third quarter and $37.1 million, or $6.60 per common share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, were negatively impacted by restructuring charges primarily relating to the elimination of the goodwill from the books of the company's subsidiaries.

On July 5, 1990, the company completed the merger of its savings bank subsidiary into its commercial bank subsidiary, Intercontinental Bank. Allen stated that the merger terminates the company's involvement in the thrift industry and will permit the company to focus its growth in the commercial banking business.

Atico Financial Corporation, through its subsidiaries, operates 14 banking offices in Florida, with total assets of $618 million.

ATICO FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Three and Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989

(In thousands except per common share)

	Three Months	Nine Months

	Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989	Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Earnings Highlights:				
Net interest income	$4,969	$4,008	$14,368	$12,498
Other income	2,505	1,978	9,710	7,226
Other expenses, excluding restructuring charges	6,026	6,350	18,591	19,492
Restructuring charges	0	35,301	0	35,301
Income (loss) before income taxes and extraordinary item	1,098	(37,545)	3,674	(37,109)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	88	(393)	999	0
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	1,010	(37,152)	2,675	(37,109)
Extraordinary item -- utilization of net operating loss carryforward	0	(243)	391	0
Net income (loss)	1,010	(37,395)	3,066	(37,109)
Per Common Share Highlights: Income (loss) before extraordinary item	$.18	$(6.61)	$.47	$(6.60)
Extraordinary item	.00	(.04)	.07	.00
Net income (loss)	.18	(6.65)	.54	(6.60)

	9/30/90	12/31/89
Financial Condition Highlights:		
Total assets	$618,473	$680,362
Earning assets	537,634	592,666
Loans, net	374,806	380,161
Deposits	538,437	554,784
Shareholders' equity	50,494	48,396
Book value per common share	8.93	8.56
Average number of common shares and equivalents outstanding	5,616	5,624

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MIAMI (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - General Development Corporation (NYSE: GDV) today reported that, at a hearing held earlier today, U.S. District Court Judge Lenore Nesbitt failed to accept the revised plea agreements of the company and its two former principal officers and re-confirmed their trial dates for Jan. 7, 1991.

The company plans to submit a further revised plea agreement and is otherwise studying all alternatives. A company spokesperson stated that there could be

no assurances that any such further revised plea agreement would be acceptable either to the Bankruptcy Court, which had previously approved the revised agreement rejected earlier today, or to the U.S. District Court.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Amerada Hess Corporation (NYSE: AHC) reported net income for the third quarter of 1990 of $280,000,000 ($3.46 per share) compared with net income of $51,800,000 ($.64 per share) for the third quarter of 1989. Third quarter 1990 earnings include net gains of $213,800,000 ($2.64 per share) from petroleum futures trading activities.

Refining and marketing operations (including petroleum futures trading) had earnings of $279,500,000 in the third quarter of 1990 compared with earnings of $33,300,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

Third quarter 1989 refining and marketing earnings include a charge of $30,000,000 for expenses necessary to sustain refining and marketing operations as a result of Hurricane Hugo. Exploration and production earnings were $21,700,000 in the third quarter of 1990 compared with earnings of $37,100,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

The corporation utilized its remaining United States net operating loss carryforward in the third quarter of 1990. Consolidated income taxes amounted to $89,000,000 in the third quarter of 1990 compared with $12,100,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 amounted to $247,500,000 ($3.06 per share) compared with net income of $404,500,000 ($4.99 per share) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Refining and marketing operations (including petroleum futures trading) had earnings of $259,700,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared with earnings of $367,300,000 in the corresponding period of 1989.

Earnings from exploration and production activities amounted to $83,100,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared with earnings of $94,100,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

Corporate charges (including increased interest expense), net of earnings from other operating activities, amounted to $95,300,000 in the first nine months of 1990 compared with $55,900,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Consolidated revenues amounted to $1,750,700,000 for the third quarter of 1990 compared with $1,183,100,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Consolidated

revenues for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $4,645,200,000 compared to $4,141,900,000 in the corresponding period of 1989.

Capital expenditures were $405,300,000 for the third quarter of 1990 compared to $1,348,700,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Capital expenditures in the third quarter of 1990 include $216,300,000 for the previously announced acquisition of oil and gas properties in Canada.

Third quarter 1989 capital expenditures include $1,132,800,000 for the acquisition of oil and gas properties in the Gulf of Mexico and the United Kingdom, North Sea.

Capital expenditures in the first nine months of 1990 amounted to $802,600,000 of which $684,900,000 related to exploration and production activities. Capital expenditures in the first nine months if 1989 amounted to $1,669,400,000 including $1,587,500,000 for exploration and production.

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VIENNA, VA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Perpetual Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: PFCP) announced today a major restructuring which will result in expense savings to exceed $20 million during the next 12 months.

John Morton III, Perpetual's chief executive officer, said: "Our action is consistent with sound management practices and is designed to improve operating performance. Perpetual, like many other fine corporations in the Middle Atlantic states, is experiencing the negative effects of the substantial downturn in their real estate markets and the overall economy."

Much of the savings will come from the acceleration of Perpetual's previously announced withdrawal from activities which require the commitment of high levels of capital, such as corporate and real estate construction lending as well as a general realignment of the management structure.

Morton further stated, "These initiatives are supportive of our objective to be a profitable consumer-oriented financial institution which emphasizes retail banking services and residential mortgage lending."

As part of this reduction, more than 145 positions will be eliminated tomorrow affecting more than 110 employees. This represents approximately 10 percent of the current workforce. Each affected employee will receive a severance package consisting of salary and benefit continuation and professional outplacement assistance. In addition, the company has announced a freeze in senior officer salaries and reduction of perquisites.

Morton further announced that Perpetual's board of directors has decided to discontinue dividend payments on the company's 8-1/2 percent Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A (NASDAQ-NMS: PFCPP) until such time as the board decides that Perpetual's profitability and other considerations warrant a resumption of payments. Morton stated that the board will review and evaluate the preferred dividend situation on a quarterly basis at its regularly scheduled board meetings, but it is anticipated that preferred dividends will not be paid in the foreseeable future. This action will not affect the dividend declared and payable Oct. 31, 1990.

The actions announced today should have no negative impact on Perpetual's current high level of customer service or the safety of its deposits which are insured by the FDIC.

Perpetual Financial Corporation, with assets of $5.2 billion, is the holding company for Perpetual Savings Bank, F.S.B., the largest thrift institution in Virginia, Maryland and Washington.

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NORTHFIELD, IL. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Stepan Company (AMEX: SCL) today reported improved third quarter earnings and record sales.

Net earnings for the third quarter of 1990 increased 56 percent to $3,556,000, up from $2,282,000, reported for the same quarter of 1989. Earnings per share rose to 65 cents, up from 41 cents. Net sales for the quarter increased 18 percent to $101,672,000, from $85,824,000 for the comparable quarter of 989.

Net earnings for the nine month period of 1990 rose 94 percent to $11,558,000, or $2.10 per share, compared to $5,972,000, or $1.08 per share reported in the previous year. Net sales for the nine month period increased 13 percent to $293,710,000, up from $260,432,000 recorded in 1989.

"The company's core surfactant business posted another solid performance in the third quarter," said F. Quinn Stepan, chairman and president. "Over 60 percent of the improved earnings were attributable to a 16 percent increase in surfactant sales volumes." Both domestic and foreign operations contributed substantially to the improvements. The foreign portion includes the two 1989 Canadian acquisitions, and a change in the accounting method adopted in 1990 for Stepan Mexico, following acquisition of controlling interest. Phthalic anhydride based polyols achieved a record quarter for both sales and earnings. Phthalic anhydride (PA) recorded a slight gain but did not contribute significantly to the improved earnings.

Operating expenses increased 29 percent in the third quarter of 1990. Approximately one-third of the increase is due to foreign operations, most of which is related to the Canadian acquisitions and the change in accounting method for Stepan Mexico. Environmental related expenses also contributed to the increase.

Interest expense declined 15 percent for the third quarter primarily due to high capitalized interest.

For the nine-month period, surfactants and polymers accounted for the greater part of the improved earnings due to increased volumes. Specialty chemicals accounted for the remainder of the improvement.

"With the uncertainty of the economy and highly volatile raw material prices, it is difficult to make a prediction for the fourth quarter," said Stepan. "Under these circumstances, we expect fourth quarter earnings will be less than third quarter earnings."

Stepan Company, headquartered in Northfield, Ill., is a leading producer of basic and intermediate chemicals used in household, industrial, personal care, agricultural and energy-related products. The stock is traded on the American and Midwest Stock Exchanges under the symbol SCL.

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ANNAPOLIS, MD (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Second National Federal Savings Bank opened its 41st branch today in center city Philadelphia at 1800 John F. Kennedy Blvd.

"By opening our fourth Pennsylvania office, we emphasize our commitment to this market area as a leader in savings and a mortgage lender. Our three Philadelphia area branches have added over $80 million already this year," said Henry A. Berliner Jr., president and chief executive officer.

Mary Katherine "Katie" Dannehower will manage the branch. Dannehower joined Second National in 1986 and was made assistant manager at their Chestnut Hill office in 1989.

Second National has a branch network of 41 banking offices and 11 loan production offices in Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia and the District of Columbia. Stock in Second National is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "SNFS."

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DALLAS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - ENSERCH Corp. (NYSE: ENS) reports that it had a net loss of $3.3 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared with net income of $6.8 million for the third quarter of 1989. After provision for preferred dividends, the loss applicable to common stock in the third quarter of 1990 was $6.9 million, or (11 cents) per share, compared with earnings applicable to common stock of $3.4 million, or 6 cents per share, for the year-ago period. Third-quarter results were reduced some $11 million (after tax) by the establishment of a $16 million reserve in anticipation of the settlement of a class-action lawsuit brought by royalty owners in the Tri-Cities field in Henderson County, Texas. Also reported in the third quarter was income of $9.6 million related to the settlement with the Internal Revenue Service of prior-year tax issues. The 1989 third quarter was enhanced by a $5.4 million ($3.6 million after tax) reduction of franchise taxes paid in prior years, about half of which was included in the natural gas transmission and distribution segment. Operating income for the 1990 third quarter was $12 million vs. $35 million for the like period a year earlier. However, adjusting both quarters for the effects of the lawsuit settlement and franchise tax, operating results were about the same. Third-quarter revenues were $642 million, up two percent from the year-earlier period.

For the first nine months of 1990, ENSERCH's net income was $56 million, compared with $47 million for the same period in 1989. Earnings applicable to common stock for the nine-month period in 1990 were $46 million, or $.71 per share, vs. $36 million, or 62 cents per share, for the first nine months of 1989. Nine-month results included a $22 million, 34-cent-per-share after-tax gain on the sale of the corporation's 4.2 million-share interest in Oceaneering International Inc., a $9.4 million, 14-cent-per-share gain on the sale of Pool Co. and a favorable income impact of $22 million from settlements with the IRS of prior-year tax issues and related interest income. Unusually warm winter weather in the first quarter negatively affected results. In addition to the franchise-tax reduction in the third quarter of 1989, also favorably affecting 1989 nine-month results were $7 million (pretax) in contingency and guarantee fees received on a cogeneration facility constructed near Sweetwater, Texas. Nine-month operating income was $101 million, compared with $145 million for the 1989 period. Revenues of $2 billion were up nearly four percent from the first nine months of 1989.

ENSERCH Corp. is a diversified energy, engineering and construction company.

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DALLAS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Enserch Exploration Partners Ltd. (NYSE: EP) today announced that the third quarter 1990 net loss was $7.8 million or 8 cents per unit, compared with net income of $7.5 million or 7 cents per unit for the like period a year earlier. Third quarter results were reduced some $16 million, the result of the establishment of a reserve in anticipation of the settlement of a class-action lawsuit brought by royalty owners in the Tri-Cities field in Henderson County, Texas.

Net cash flows from operating activities for the third quarter 1990 were $25.6 million, compared with $31.5 million in the year-earlier period. In the third quarter 1990, $16.4 million ($16 million relates to accrual of the above mentioned settlement) was provided from working capital, compared with $7.2 in million the third quarter 1989.

The operating loss for the third quarter 1990 was $4.9 million, compared with operating income of $9.5 million in the third quarter 1989. Third-quarter 1990 revenues were $47 million, compared with $45 million a year earlier.

For the first nine months of 1990, EP's net income was $8.6 million versus $32 million for the year-ago period. Net income per unit was 8 cents versus 31 cents for the same period in 1989. Nine-month operating income was $16 million, compared with $37 million for the nine-month period last year. Nine-month revenues were $143 million versus $144 million a year ago.

Natural-gas sales volumes (net) for the third quarter 1990 were 18.4 billion cubic feet (Bcf), compared with a similar amount reported in last year's third quarter. The average sales price was $1.65 per thousand cubic feet (Mcf), down from $1.73 per Mcf a year ago.

Oil sales volumes (net) were 655 thousand barrels (MBbls) for the quarter, down from 759 MBbls in the third quarter 1989. The average sales price per barrel increased to $23.97 from $16.41 per barrel a year ago.

Enserch Exploration Partners Ltd., a Texas limited partnership, conducts substantially all of the domestic oil and gas operations of ENSERCH Corporation (NYSE: ENS).

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TORONTO (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Genstar Capital Corporation and Wolverine Holding Company today announced that the two companies have executed a definitive merger agreement for the acquisition of Wolverine by Genstar Capital.

Wolverine Holding, through its Wolverine Tube subsidiaries in the United States and Canada, is a leading manufacturer of copper, copper alloy and aluminum tube and copper rod, bar and strip. The company operates eight plants in North America and has annual sales in excess of U.S.$500 million.

Wolverine will become a subsidiary of Genstar Capital, a Toronto- based acquisition company dedicated to creating value for its investors by employing both operational and financial leverage in managing acquisitions. "We are confident that the combination of Wolverine's exceptional management team and Genstar Capital's operational experience will enhance the company's market leadership," said Genstar Capital's Jack West.

"Wolverine's state-of-the-art manufacturing operations and top flight work force will allow the company to capitalize on growth opportunities."

John Quarles, president and chief executive officer of Wolverine said: "We are enthusiastic about the proposed merger as Genstar Capital will provide capital and expertise to facilitate our growth and develop the next generation of products. The recently announced executive assignments covering marketing and manufacturing responsibilities at our eight plant locations will enhance our competitive position on a global basis." Wolverine management will be significant equity investors in the company.

Closing of the transaction is expected to occur in late November and is subject to certain conditions.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corp.'s (NASDAQ: MCIC) Board of Directors today declared a 5 cent per share semiannual dividend on its common stock, payable Dec. 10, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 16, 1990.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Galveston-Houston Co. (NYSE: GHX) today reported net income for the first nine months of 1990 of $6,110,000, or 34 cents per share, compared with $2,163,000, or 18 cents per share, reported for the same period in 1989. Nine month 1990 revenues were $57,872,000 compared to $46,702,000 for the same 1989 period, an increase of 24 percent.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income applicable to common stock was $2,045,000, or 11 cents per share, compared to $1,053,000, or 9 cents per share, reported for the similar three month period in 1989. Revenues were $19,403,000 and $16,425,000 for the third quarter of 1990 and 1989, respectively. New orders for the first nine months exceeded those of the similar 1989 period by 21.8 percent. At Sept. 30, 1990, the company's backlog was 49.7 percent higher than on the same date one year ago. On Oct. 5, 1990, the company announced that it had completed its acquisition of Erichsen Industries Ltd., a valve actuator manufacturer located in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

Galveston-Houston Co. manufactures valve actuators and custom steel castings for the energy and other industrial markets and replacement wear parts and excavation buckets for the construction, mining and other earthmoving industries. Galveston-Houston Co. common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GHX.

GALVESTON-HOUSTON CO.
FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1989
Net revenues	$57,872,000	$46,702,000
Operating costs and expenses	51,180,000	41,738,000
Operating income	6,692,000	4,964,000
Other income (expenses), net	35,000	(1,441,000)
Income tax provision	(617,000)	(345,000)
Net income	6,110,000	3,178,000
Preferred dividends	--	1,015,000
Net income applicable to common stock	$ 6,110,000	$ 2,163,000
Weighted average common shares outstanding	18,050,295	11,794,565
Earnings per common share	$ .34	$ .18

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1989
Net revenues	$19,403,000	$16,425,000
Operating costs and expenses	17,256,000	14,318,000
Operating income	2,147,000	2,107,000
Other income (expenses), net	33,000	(634,000)
Income tax provision	(135,000)	(96,000)
Net income	2,045,000	1,377,000
Preferred dividends	--	324,000
Net income applicable to common stock	$ 2,045,000	$ 1,053,000
Weighted average common shares outstanding	18,531,955	12,069,585

Earnings per common share	$	.11	$	.09

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OKLAHOMA CITY (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Red Eagle Resources Corp. (NASDAQ: REDX) today announced that it had entered into an agreement with Boswell Energy Corp. of Oklahoma City to purchase an undivided 50 percent interest in approximately 23,000 acres of Boswell leases located on the periphery of the Silo field in Laramie County in southeastern Wyoming. On Oct. 19, 1990, Union Pacific Resources Co. of Fort Worth completed a horizontal well near Boswell leases which flowed 1,462 barrels of oil during a 21 hour test. According to Chuck Farmer, staff petroleum engineer at the Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, the Union Pacific well is the first significant horizontal well drilled in Wyoming.

Red Eagle, which expects to be named operator of the block by Boswell and its partners, will spud the first well in early 1991. The proposed well will probably be located approximately two miles north of the Union Pacific well and approximately one mile southeast of a horizontal well currently being completed by Snyder Oil Co. The target formation in the Silo area is the Niobrara, a fractured shaley limestone of the upper cretaceous, comparable in geologic age to that of the Austin chalk in south Texas where horizontal drilling activities remain at a high level.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Alfred Dunhill of London, Inc. announced today a reorganization of its benchmade tailoring department as part of a series of new changes in the overall Dunhill America structure.

While several of Dunhill's tailors will remain in service, the production workroom closed today. A core group of craftsmen will continue to produce quality suits in the traditional Dunhill construction and tailoring methods for its benchmade customers.

According to Alan P. Duddle, president and chief executive officer of Alfred Dunhill Inc., "We are continuing our benchmade department while expanding our made-to-measure and ready-to-wear clothing. The emphasis is to provide our Dunhill customers with the highest quality service and merchandise."

Today's change is part of the restructuring Alfred Dunhill of London is

experiencing. Other changes include new U.S. and Canadian locations and enlarging and renovating its stores. There are 17 Dunhill store locations in the United States and Canada.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Mayor Michael R. White welcomed news of Laidlaw Environmental Services' decision to close its hazardous waste plant on Bessemer Avenue. White said the plant, formely known as GSX, had proven to be "environmentally unstable" and a public nuisance that had "endangered the health, life and safety of the public.

"Residents near the plant and throughout the city can feel more secure now that Laidlaw has decided not to reopen its plant here," said White. "I think Laidlaw's decision is recognition that the problems with the plant were much more serious than they were willing to admit."

White said the city would work with Laidlaw to assist those employees unable or unwilling to relocate to other Laidlaw sites throughout the United States and Canada.

In August, in response to continuing accidents at the plant, White and the City's Law Department took legal steps to close the facility. The plant had been cited for numerous violations of hazardous waste law and safety requirements by the Ohio EPA and the Ohio Attorney General's Office.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - TransCanada Pipelines today reported net income applicable to common shares for the third quarter of 1990 was $47.0 million or 30 cents per share, compared to $56.7 million or 38 cents per share a year ago.

The decrease reflects the recording of lower income tax benefits arising from the use of prior years' income tax losses. In the third quarter of 1989, the company commenced recognizing these benefits and the amount recorded in that quarter was $14.6 million or ten cents per share. The benefits relating to the current quarter amount to $5.3 million or three cents per share. On a year-to-date basis, 1990 earnings include a benefit of $21.1 million or 14 cents per share resulting from the utilization of prior years' losses.

Net income applicable to common shares from continuing operations for the first nine months of 1990 was $141.3 million or 92 cents per share, compared to $131.0 million or 87 cents per share during the same period in 1989. After discontinued operations, earnings during the first nine months of 1989 were $117.6 million or 78 cents per share.

In the first two quarters of 1990, the improvement in earnings reflected a combination of lower non-utility financial charges, lower preferred share dividends, higher interest income and a higher rate base, in addition to the tax benefits noted above. These improvements were somewhat reduced by higher income taxes applicable to current year operations.

Overall, those items continue to be the main contributors to the company's earnings this year. The third quarter, however, saw reductions in Allowance For Funds Used During Construction (AFUDC) and interest income, when compared to the same quarter in 1989. The decline in AFUDC results from the timing of construction of new gas transmission facilities. The reduction in interest income resulted from lower average cash balances on deposit. Offsetting these reductions was a gain on the disposition of the company's interest in the Montreal pipeline.

Funds generated from continuing operations in the first nine months of 1990 increased to $228.7 million, compared to $223.8 million a year ago. The effect of improved earnings was partially offset by the receipt of lower dividends from the Northern Border pipeline in which TransCanada holds a 30 percent interest.

TransCanada continued higher natural gas deliveries during the third quarter of 1990. The company shipped 1092 billion cubic feet of natural gas during the first nine months of the year, an increase of 66 billion cubic feet, or six percent, over the same period last year. Higher deliveries to new and existing shippers in both the United States midwest and northeast markets accounted for three- quarters of this increase. The remainder of the increase was due primarily to new contracts for service to two eastern Canadian distributors - Consumers' Gas and Union Gas.

TransCanada's wholly-owned subsidiary, Western Gas Marketing Ltd., sold 203 billion cubic feet of natural gas during the third quarter, a decrease of 14 percent compared to the third quarter of last year. A primary reason for this decrease is the continued erosion of markets as a result of both deregulation and further competitiveness in natural gas marketing.

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NEWPORT NEWS, Va. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Flight International Group, Inc. said today that in order to continue its restructuring efforts it had negotiated a further extension and modification of its April 13, 1990, purchase agreement with Smith Technologies Inc.

The extension agreement, which was unanimously approved by the independent directors of Flight International, extends from Oct. 27, 1990, until Nov. 27, 1990, Smith Technologies' put option on its original investment. Under this aspect of the agreement, Smith Technologies has the option to resell to Flight International the shares originally purchased on April 13, 1990. The aggregate sales price under the put option, $1 million, would be equal to Smith Technologies' original investment. As part of the new agreement, Smith Technologies has agreed not to exercise its put option before the close of business on Nov. 23, 1990.

The prior agreement gave Smith Technologies the right to acquire up to 5.5 million common shares of Flight International in a series of installments, the first installment of which had been scheduled to expire on Oct. 22, 1990. In connection with obtaining the foregoing standstill, Flight International, under the new agreement, also extended to Nov. 20, the date by which Smith Technologies must exercise the first installment of its purchase option, which installment may now be exercised during the ten-day period commencing Nov. 11, 1990.

The Flight International Group, Inc. is an aviation services company with interests in government and military contracts and commercial flight operations.

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DALLAS (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - BancTEXAS Group Inc. (NYSE: BTX) announced that it has reached an agreement with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. ("FDIC") under which an agreed order was issued in which the FDIC will "standstill" regarding certain claims against BTX's two subsidiary banks. BTX is a bank holding company which operates two national banks, BancTEXAS Houston N.A. and BancTEXAS McKinney N.A. The potential claims arose out of the January 1990 failure of BTX's former subsidiary, BancTEXAS Dallas N.A., and a law enacted by Congress in 1989 which authorizes the FDIC to recover its costs from a bank failure by assessing other commonly owned financial institutions.

Under the agreeement with the FDIC, which has been approved by the Boards of Directors of BTX and the FDIC, BTX will invest substantially all of its available liquid assets, which are approximately $6-3/4 million, as capital injections into BancTEXAS Houston and BancTEXAS McKinney. BTX's decision to

infuse capital into the two banks is subject to reaching an agreement with the Federal Reserve Board resulting in the termination of a pending administrative proceeding seeking capital injections into the banks.

To reflect uncertainties concerning the potential FDIC claims, BTX's recent financial statements have included a liability of approximately $36 million for the possible FDIC claims, thereby causing BTX to have negative shareholders' equity. As a result of the agreed order with the FDIC, it is expected that the $36 million liability will be eliminated. As of Sept. 30, 1990, BTX reported an operating loss of $5.8 million for the first nine months of the year and that shareholders' equity stood at a negative $21.2 million; if the adjustment had been made at that time, shareholders' equity would have been approximately $15 million. BTX's financial results for the third quarter are discussed below.

Under the terms of the order, the FDIC will not seek to collect any funds from BancTEXAS Houston or BancTEXAS McKinney if BTX complies with specified requirements, primarily by maintaining the regulatory capital of the two banks at required levels through at least Jan. 26, 1992. To encourage BTX to obtain an outside capital infusion, the FDIC also agreed that, if BTX succeeds in obtaining additional capital and infusing an acceptable part into the banks, the FDIC will make permanent its waiver of claims against BancTEXAS Houston and BancTEXAS McKinney.

BTX reported a net loss of $1.7 million, or 10 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990. This compares with a net loss of $8.9 million, or 53 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the net loss was $5.8 million, or 34 cents per share, compared to $24.7 million, or $1.46 per share, for the same period in 1989. The 1989 results include the nine months results from BancTEXAS Dallas N.A., which was then a subsidiary of BTX. On Jan. 26, 1990, BancTEXAS Dallas was declared insolvent by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. was appointed receiver for that bank.

At Sept. 30, 1990, nonperforming assets were $16.3 million, or 9.6 percent of loans and foreclosed property, compared to $16.4 million, or 6.7 percent, at Dec. 31, 1989. The allowance for loan losses at Sept. 30, 1990 was $5.3 million, or 3.3 percent of loans. This allowance compares to $6.1 million, or 2.6 percent, at Dec. 31, 1989. BTX's consolidated primary capital ratio was a negative 6.46 percent at Sept. 30, 1990 compared to a negative 2.27 percent at Dec. 31, 1989. At Sept. 30, 1990, the primary capital ratios of the subsidiary banks were 4.80 percent for BancTEXAS Houston and 4.13 percent for BancTEXAS McKinney. The equity capital ratios of these banks at Sept. 30, 1990, were 2.81 percent for BancTEXAS Houston and 1.75 percent for BancTEXAS McKinney.

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ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Public Service Co. of New Mexico (PNM) (NYSE: PNM) today reported earnings applicable to common stock of $5.6 million or 13 cents per share for the third quarter 1990, as compared to net earnings applicable to common stock of $23.1 million or 55 cents per share for the comparable quarter last year.

Earnings applicable to common stock from continuing operations for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $5.2 million or 12 cents per share which included one-time charges of 46 cents per share, compared to a loss of $17.1 million or 41 cents per share for the like period last year which included one-time charges of $2.53 per share.

Operating revenues for the quarter decreased $23.7 million to $194.8 million from $218.5 million in the comparable quarter last year. The decrease was due primarily to the December 1989 expiration of a long-term power sales contract with Southwestern Public Service (SPS). As a result, electric wholesale revenues decreased $23.8 million (49 percent) from the like quarter last year.

Total retail electric kilowatt hour sales increased 3.2 percent from the period a year ago. Sales to industrial customers increased 9.6 percent and sales to all other retail customers increased 1.7 percent.

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MEXICO, Mo. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - A.P. Green Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: APGI) announced results for the third quarter and nine months of 1990.

Net sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, were $43,705,000, a 7.6 percent decrease from the corresponding period in 1989. Net earnings amounted to $812,000, or 30 cents per share, compared with net earnings of $2,470,000, or 93 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30 of $137,979,000 were 1.8 percent lower than the comparable period of 1989. Net earnings declined 33.4 percent to $4,382,000. Nine months' earnings per share declined from $2.47 to $1.60.

Harry M. Stover, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, commented on the above, stating; "The reduction in year-to-date earnings has taken place primarily in the third quarter of this year due in part to a distinct downturn in the markets we serve.

"We are experiencing a sales decline along with continued price pressure which

have adversely affected margins in the refractory business. There are also a number of special factors which affected earnings in the third quarter, such as the unfavorable LIFO inventory cost adjustment of $675,000 in the third quarter of 1990 as compared to a favorable LIFO inventory cost adjustment of $220,000 in the same quarter of 1989. This aggregate impact of $895,000 affecting third quarter operating results comparability is attributed primarily to changes in inventory mix.

"During this third quarter, we substantially increased reserves for worker compensation claims filed by former employees of our discontinued construction operations. Both Canada and the United Kingdom had disappointing third quarter operating results due to weak economies in both countries and an extended strike in the Canadian steel industry.

"In response to this economic downturn, we have begun a reorganization of the company, with the objective of being more cost efficient. This reorganization will entail the reduction of a number of salaried positions. Prior to making those reductions, we are offering an early retirement program to salaried employees who are 55 years of age or older and who have at least 20 years of service. As soon as we can determine how many employees will elect to take early retirement, we will complete the reorganization. The cost of these reductions will initially impact our fourth quarter results, but considerable savings will be reflected starting in 1991.

"As part of this reorganization, we have closed our Macon, Ga. and Troy, Idaho plants and have moved their product lines to other plants which are more cost-efficient. Recently, new hydraulic presses have been installed in the Mexico and Fulton plants. These 'state-of-the-art' presses improve both quality of the product and productivity of the workforce."

Stover also noted that the previously announced buyback of 300,000 shares of the company's outstanding stock had been completed during the third quarter.

A.P. Green Industries Inc., headquartered in Mexico, Mo., is a leading manufacturer and distributor of refractory products in both the United States and international markets. The company also manufactures industrial lime products used in the production of steel, aluminum and paper, and for road stabilization and water purification.

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CALGARY, Alberta (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Asamera Minerals (Toronto, Montreal: ASM) today announced the assay results from its September drilling program at its Meliadine River property, approximately 12 miles north of Rankin Inlet in the Northwest Territories.

Fourteen holes, totalling approximately 3,600 feet, were drilled as follow-up to the company's July announcement of a gold discovery at the site. Mineralization was encountered in 11 holes and the anomaly remains open at depth and to both the east and west.

The following table details the mineralization encountered. Drill

Depth (feet)	from	to	Grade hole (ounces gold/ton)
1	76	90	0.228
2	173	199	0.321
3	110	139	0.187
4	220	229	0.413
5	no significant values		
6	no significant values		
7 (two zones)	83	101	0.337
	118	126	0.205
8	132	145	0.508
9	135	157	0.297
10	no significant values		
11 (two zones)	126	168	0.348
	178	183	0.524
12	237	244	0.425
13	387	399	1.060
14 (two zones)	290	297	0.549
	391	412	0.264

Asamera Minerals is planning an expanded exploration program in 1991 to further evaluate the property. Asamera Minerals is operator and a 50 percent participant with Comaplex Minerals Corp. of Calgary.

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MAYNARD, Mass. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Equipment Corporation (NYSE: DEC) announced today it is the recipient of the Opportunity 2000 Award, which honors the Maynard, Mass.-based computer firm for its leadership work in addressing issues relating to cultural diversity and the "Glass Ceiling Initiative."

At an awards ceremony held Tuesday evening at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington D.C., Secretary of Labor Elizabeth Dole commended John L. Sims, Digital's vice president of Strategic Resources, for the company's continuous commitment to equal opportunity and for its innovative strategies to improve the quality of its workforce.

William C. Brooks, assistant secretary of the Employment Standards Administration, presented the award.

The award is given annually by the Secretary of Labor, under the auspices of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP), to an employer who anticipates the challenges of the changing American demographics while assuring its workforce equal opportunity with comprehensive affirmative action strategies and programs.

"Workforce diversity is part of our business, part of our philosophy and part of our long-term strategy for staying competitive," says Sims. "We promote a work environment where every employee is empowered and feels valued. The core of Digital's value system and culture is the belief that our people are our most important asset.

We value their differences and want to see people of difference at every level in the company."

More than a decade ago, Digital stepped beyond the basic requirements of Equal Opportunity law to initiate Affirmative Action programs and practices. In the early 1980s, the company began its work in Valuing Differences, a philosophy which supports the positive power of people's differences in race, color, sex, religion, age, national origin, citizenship, veteran status, sexual orientation or disability.

Today, Valuing Differences work takes place across the company in the form of formal training programs, leadership workshops and core group activities. In these settings, women, minorities and other people of difference come together to discuss and examine the stereotypes and barriers which hinder collaborative and productive work.

"It is our differences that distinguish us as individuals," explains Alan Zimmerle, Digital corporate manager, Affirmative Action/EEO/Valuing Differences. "And it is the positive power of these differences which gives Digital the edge in a highly competitive marketplace. The representation of people of difference at every level of the corporation is an important business goal that ensures our ability to be both the employer of choice and the preferred vendor for our customers."

Nine other federal contract employers were also honored at the Oct. 23rd awards banquet as recipients of the 1990 Exemplary Voluntary Efforts (EVE) Awards for their implementation of innovative affirmative action program events. In 1986, Digital was a recipient of an EVE Award.

Digital Equipment Corporation, headquartered in Maynard, Mass. is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

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SOUTH BEND, Ind. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Clark Equipment Co. (NYSE: CKL) today announced net income of $13.7 million, or $0.80 per share, on sales of $349.0 million during the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to net income of $17.4 million, or $1.01 per share, on sales of $343.9 million in the second quarter of 1990 and net income of $17.4 million, or $1.01 per share on sales of $344.5 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Third quarter earnings benefited from a $3.5 million gain representing Clark's share of the profit realized by VME Group N.V. from the sale of its log skidder business. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Clark net income was $51.2 million on sales of $1,078.7 million compared to 1989 nine-month net income of $48.5 million on sales of $1,014.4 million.

In making the announcement, Leo J. McKernan, Clark chairman and chief executive officer, said that third quarter results were affected by several factors, including Brazilian government economic actions and softer demand in most major markets for the company's products.

Noting that sales of Clark's Brazilian operations increased $23 million from depressed second quarter levels, McKernan said, ''Government economic actions initiated in March greatly reduced inflation, but also restricted profitability.'' Clark's Brazilian operating performance improved to break-even from a $3.0 million loss in the second quarter.

In discussing the performance of Clark's compact construction machinery business, McKernan said, ''At the Melroe Co., the softer demand in U.S. construction, rental and industrial markets combined with normal seasonal factors to significantly reduce sales volumes and margins from second quarter levels. There are similar reductions in demand in most European countries.'' McKernan added that the September introduction of a new technologically advanced skid-steer loader line received a very strong response from dealers.

Commenting on the company's material handling business, McKernan said, ''Slower market demand in the U.S. resulted in competitive pricing pressure, principally in its internal combustion product lines.'' Saying that European demand remained somewhat stronger, McKernan noted that ''While most of the company's product lines experienced flat sales, demand for the unit's new line of electric Powrworkers has been strong.''

Discussing sluggish markets for the company's off-highway drivetrain components business, McKernan said, ''Production schedules have been adjusted and actions taken to reduce costs and improve asset utilization.'' He added

that some additional costs and inefficiencies may result as the company implements these plans, but that they should positively affect future results.

During the third quarter of 1990, Clark called at par the 13 percent notes due in 1993 which had an outstanding principal balance of $52.0 million.

Clark order backlogs excluding Hurth Axle (acquired in July 1990) were $331 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $342 million at June 30, 1990. Incoming orders for the third quarter 1990 were $332 million versus orders of $347 million in the second quarter of 1990 and $326 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Regarding the oulook for the remainder of the year, McKernan said, ''We face a period of great uncertainty. We expect to be operating into next year with softer U.S. and European markets. We will continue to reduce costs consistent with a lower level of sales, while investing in new product development and improved manufacturing capability for the future.''

Clark Equipment Company's business is the design, manufacture and sale of forklift trucks, construction machinery, transmissions for on highway vehicles and axles and transmissions for off-highway equipment.

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Ohio today issued the following in response to news inquiries about the salaries of Mountain State Blue Cross & Blue Shield executives:

Thomas D. Farson, president and chief operating officer, earns compensation of $100,000 annually.

John D. Burry, Jr., chief executive officer, serves Mountain State Blue Cross & Blue Shield without salary.

The remainder of the Mountain State Blue Cross plan's executive team is not yet in place, pending the required filing under federal anti- trust statutes. This process is estimated to take 30 days.

When that process has been completed, the Mountain State plan's executive team will include, in addition to Farson and Burry, about 10 others at vice presidential levels.

These vice presidents will receive salaries ranging from $40,000 to $60,000 annually, with the average expected to be $50,000.

Burry, who is chairman and chief executive officer of Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Ohio (BCBSO), also heads five other companies affiliated with BCBSO. Burry's compensation is based upon his responsibilities with those companies and he is paid solely through the Ohio Blue Cross Plan and its affiliates.

The five affiliated companies are Medical Life Insurance Co., which is licensed in 38 states; Mutual Holding Co., an investment company; Mutual Health Services Co., a third-party administrator; Blue Guardian Insurance Co., which is licensed as a casualty company; and North Dakota Life Insurance Co.

In all, Burry is the chief executive officer of seven companies doing business throughout most of the country.

BCBSO has the lowest cost of doing business among health insurers in Ohio. Likewise, Parkersburg Blue Cross & Blue Shield, predecessor of Mountain State Blue Cross & Blue Cross & Blue Shield, has the lowest cost of doing business among health insurers in West Virginia. In both cases, the ratio is less than 10 cents on the premium dollar.

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FREMONT, Calif. (OCT. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Lam Research Corp. (NASDAQ: LRCX) today unveiled an innovative chemical vapor deposition (CVD) product platform, designated the Integrity series. Representing a radical departure from traditional CVD system design, Integrity delivers two firsts to the global semiconductor industry. It is the first CVD system in which process performance has been approached from a hardware standpoint. It is also the only commercially available CVD tool to integrate several process steps within a single chamber, thereby significantly reducing the time, cost and thermal budget associated with integrated circuit fabrication.

The Integrity platform will address a variety of CVD films with products tailored for each film type. The first of these is borophosphosilicate glass (BPSG). In the Integrity/BPSG system, film deposition, flow and anneal all occur within the system's single patented chamber. This process breakthrough, aptly termed "flow as you go"(TM), eliminates two major technological hurdles chipmakers face today: Voids in trench structures and nonplanar surfaces on first level dielectrics. Both are capable of ruining a finished device.

Until now, chipmakers were forced to perform separate flow and anneal steps following the deposition process. This did not, however, completely eliminate voids or planarize topography. In contrast, Integrity's BPSG films flow as they are deposited, enabling the film to flow into the trenches. In essence, this "flow as you go" process ensures that completely void-free trenches and

planar topography on lines as small as 0.3 microns are easily achieved -- without subsequent process steps.

The performance gains realized through this approach are unprecedented. Thermal budget, a critical factor in progressive IC technology, is reduced by more than an order of magnitude and film characteristics optimized. These process advantages will become even more crucial in next generation devices that utilize high aspect ratio structures due to smaller device geometries. Unlike typical systems in which performance degrades as new device designs are introduced, Integrity's process advantages actually escalate with each new generation of IC fabrication.

Dr. Joseph Monkowski, chief technical officer at Lam, explains that by combining three process steps into one, the need for additional steps is eliminated. "We have progressed beyond the emerging integrated processing concept. Taking the next logical step, we created an 'intra chamber' system that performs multiple process in situ. We expect this to set a new trend in integrated processing systems for the global semiconductor industry."

This unique capability can only be achieved through inherently tight control, over a wide operating range, of all variables impacting the CVD reaction. These fundamental elements guided the direction of the Integrity platform, resulting in a complete "controlled reaction environment" with patented hardware developed to govern flux, temperature, gas concentration and pressure.

Integrity represents more than three years of research and development, conducted primarily at Lam's Advanced Research Center in San Diego. Today's introduction follows an intensive beta program launched in May to ensure reliable results in production. In all measurable areas, Integrity's performance is meeting or exceeding expectations.

The Integrity system is being unveiled this week at Semicon Japan in Tokyo.
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MOSCOW (OCT. 23) TASS -

PRIME MINISTER JACQUES SANTER OF LUXEMBOURG, WHO IS CURRENTLY HERE ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT, TODAY TOURED THE LENINSKY KOMSOMOL CAR FACTORY.

SANTER'S TOUR OF THIS MOSCOW-BASED CAR-MAKING AMALGAMATION IS PARTICULARLY NOTEWORTHY WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE AGREEMENT, SIGNED IN THE KREMLIN ON MONDAY BY THE SOVIET UNION AND LUXEMBOURG, ON AN INTERNATIONAL AUTOMOBILE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE.

ONE OF THE OLDEST SOVIET AUTOMOBILE-MAKING ENTERPRISES, THE AZLK - ITS RUSSIAN ACRONYM - IS THE COUNTRY'S MAJOR PRODUCER OF MOSKVICH CARS. THE FACTORY IS NOW BEING TECHNICALLY RE-EQUIPPED TO MANUFACTURE A NEW CAR MODEL, THE MOSKVICH-2,141.

SANTER VISITED THE AZLK MUSEUM WHERE YURI BORODIN, FIRST DEPUTY GENERAL DIRECTOR OF THE CAR-MAKING AMALGAMATION, TOLD THE DISTINGUISHED GUEST ABOUT THE FACTORY'S 60-YEAR HISTORY AND ITS PRESENT SITUATION.

AT THE MUSEUM, THE PRIME MINISTER OF LUXEMBOURG FAMILIARISED HIMSELF WITH THE LATEST CAR MODELS AND EVEN SAT AT THE WHEEL OF A MOSKVICH-2,141.

SANTER TOURED THE FACTORY'S WORKSHOPS, SHOWING INTEREST IN THE MAIN PRODUCTION CYCLES AND IN THE SPORTS AND HEALTH CENTREUSED BY AZLK PERSONNEL AND THEIR FAMILIES.

DURING A MEETING WITH AZLK PERSONNEL, THE HEAD OF THE LUXEMBOURG GOVERNMENT SAID THAT THE ENTERPRISE HAS GREAT TECHNICAL RESOURCES AND HAS CREATED FINE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR WORKERS AND SPECIALISTS.

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MOSCOW (OCT 23) TASS - LEADERS OF AUTONOMOUS REPUBLICS AT THE LATTER'S REQUEST FOR A THOROUGH DISCUSSION ON THE ROLE OF SUCH REPUBLICS IN THE ELABORATION OF A NEW SOVIET UNION TREATY AND THEIR PLACE IN THE UPDATED UNION.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE MEETING FAVOURED EXPEDITING DRAFT WORK ON A HISTORY-MAKING DOCUMENT THAT WOULD GUARANTEE EQUAL RIGHTS AND POSSIBILITIES FOR THE ETHNIC REBIRTH OF ALL PEOPLES INHABITING THE COUNTRY.

IN HIS CLOSING REMARKS GORBACHEV SAID THAT WHEN WORKING OUT A NEW UNION TREATY IT IS IMPORTANT TO HEAR ALL VOICES AND TAKE ACCOUNT OF EXISTING REALITIES.

"THIS COUNTRY WAS AND REMAINS MULTINATIONAL," HE STRESSED. "IT SHOULD ADAPT TO

THE NEW TIMES, BECOME MORE DEMOCRATIC AND ENSURE THE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF ALL CITIZENS AND ETHNIC GROUPS LIVING HERE. BUT WE HAVE NO RIGHT TO IGNORE HISTORY AND THE FACT THAT ALL THE COUNTRY'S REGIONS ARE INDISSOLUBLY LINKED WITH ONE ANOTHER BY POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN BONDS."

"THE TASK," GORBACHEV SAID, "IS TO ENSURE A HARMONY OF RELATIONS BETWEEN ALL MEMBERS OF OUR UNION, WHICH IS BEING BORN ANEW."

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MOSCOW (OCT 23) TASS - EXPERTS FROM THE SOVIET COSMONAUT TRAINING CENTRE AND THE GERMAN AEROSPACE AGENCY HAVE HELD PRELIMINARY CONSULTATIONS AS PART OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN YURI GREMITSKIKH TOLD A BRIEFING HERE TODAY.

HE SAID THEY DISCUSSED PRACTICAL ASPECTS OF BILATERAL COOPERATION IN THE EXPLORATION OF OUTER SPACE, POSSIBLY UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY.

GREMITSKIKH SAID THE DEVELOPMENT OF BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL COOPERATION IN SPACE IS NATURAL AMONG COUNTRIES BUILDING A COMMON EUROPEAN HOME.

ONE RESULT OF THE CONSULTATIONS, HE SAID, WAS THE DECISION TO CONTINUE TALKS IN THE NEAR FUTURE, WHEN PRACTICAL PREPARATIONS HAVE BEGUN FOR A SOVIET-GERMAN SPACE FLIGHT.

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KIEV (OCT 23) TASS - THE UKRAINIAN PARLIAMENT TODAY ACCEPTED, BY A MAJORITY VOTE AND WITHOUT DEBATE, THE RESIGNATION TENDED IN EARLIER IN THE DAY BY PRIME MINISTER VITALY MASOL.

HIS MOVE DID NOT COME AS A SURPRISE. UKRAINIAN PRESIDENT NOTIFIED THE REPUBLICAN SUPREME SOVIET LAST WEDNESDAY THAT THE PREMIER WAS GOING TO SEND IN HIS PAPERS.

MASOL TOLD PARLIAMENT TODAY HE DOES NOT SEE ANY POSSIBILITY OF NORMAL WORK FOR HIMSELF BECAUSE SOME DEPUTIES BLAME ALL CURRENT ECONOMIC TROUBLES IN THE UKRAINE ON THE CABINET, GENERATING FURTHER TENSION IN SOCIETY.

HE SAID HE BELIEVES THIS BLAME IS UNFAIR AS SINCE TAKING OFFICE LESS THAN THREE MONTHS AGO, THE GOVERNMENT HAS DONE A LOT.

WORK HAS INCLUDED LAYING THE LEGAL GROUNDWORK FOR ECONOMIC RECOVERY, SIGNING COOPERATION AGREEMENTS WITH THE RUSSIAN REPUBLIC AND BYELORUSSIA AND PREPARING SUCH AGREEMENTS WITH TEN MORE REPUBLICS, MASOL SAID.

HIS POSITION WAS SHAKY EVEN WHEN HE WAS CONFIRMED ON JUNE 28, WINNING JUST THREE VOTES MORE THAN THE REQUIRED MINIMUM.

HIS GOVERNMENT'S ECONOMIC STABILISATION PROGRAMME CAME UNDER SEVERE CRITICISM AT THE CURRENT PARLIAMENTARY SESSION.

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MOSCOW (OCT 23) TASS - PREPARATIONS FOR A SOVIET-JAPANESE SPACE FLIGHT HAVE BEGUN AT THE SOVIET UNION'S BAIKONUR LAUNCHING SITE, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE SOVIET GLAVKOSMOS SPACE AGENCY TOLD TASS.

TWO JAPANESE JOURNALISTS -- TOYEHIRO AKIYAMA AND RIOKO KIKUCHI OF THE TBS RADIO AND TELEVISION NETWORK -- ARE PREPARING FOR THE FLIGHT WITH A SOVIET CREW TO THE SOVIET MIR SPACE STATION AT THE COSMONAUTS' TRAINING CENTRE NEAR MOSCOW.

THE TAKE-OFF IS SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 2.

ALEXEI LEONOV, DEPUTY HEAD OF THE TRAINING CENTRE, TOLD TASS THAT BOTH JAPANESE CONTENDERS FOR THE PLACE IN THE SOVIET SPACESHIP ARE "SELF-DISCIPLINED AND STUDIOUS".

A SOVIET STATE COMMISSION WILL DECIDE WHICH OF THE TWO WILL FLY TO MIR ON THE EVE OF THE FLIGHT.

SPECIAL PAVILIONS ARE BEING BUILT AT BAIKONUR FOR GUESTS AND REPORTERS. THE TAKE-OFF IS PLANNED TO BE BROADCAST LIVE.

PART OF THE SCIENTIFIC EQUIPMENT TO BE USED BY THE SOVIET- JAPANESE CREW DURING THEIR EIGHT-DAY MISSION HAS ALREADY BEEN TAKEN TO MIR BY AN UNMANNED CARGO SPACECRAFT.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Miami	5	1	0	.833	125	83	4-0	W-3
Buffalo	5	1	0	.833	160	126	3-1	W-4
Indianapolis	2	4	0	.333	98	135	0-2	L-1
New York Jets	2	5	0	.286	133	178	1-3	L-3

New England	1	5	0	.167	90	169	1-3	L-4
CENTRAL								
Cincinnati	5	2	0	.714	188	166	1-1	W-1
Houston	4	3	0	.571	169	135	1-1	W-2
Pittsburgh	3	4	0	.429	109	128	1-1	L-1
Cleveland	2	5	0	.286	111	173	1-1	L-2
WEST								
LA Raiders	6	1	0	.857	147	99	4-0	W-2
Kansas City	4	3	0	.571	167	114	0-2	L-1
Seattle	3	4	0	.429	144	135	1-3	W-1
Denver	3	4	0	.429	168	178	2-1	W-1
San Diego	2	5	0	.286	123	132	0-1	L-1

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	6	0	0	1.000	150	86	5-0	W-6
Washington	4	2	0	.667	134	82	4-1	W-1
Dallas	3	4	0	.429	90	135	0-2	W-1
Philadelphia	2	4	0	.333	130	132	0-3	L-1
Phoenix	2	4	0	.333	79	141	2-3	L-1
CENTRAL								
Chicago	5	1	0	.833	142	75	3-0	W-2
Tampa Bay	4	3	0	.571	147	141	4-0	L-1
Green Bay	2	4	0	.333	103	146	1-3	L-2
Detroit	2	4	0	.333	141	169	1-3	L-1
Minnesota	1	5	0	.167	140	135	0-3	L-4
WEST								
San Francisco	6	0	0	1.000	154	101	3-0	W-6
Los Angeles Rams	2	4	0	.333	164	173	1-0	W-1
Atlanta	2	4	0	.333	161	183	1-3	L-2
New Orleans	2	4	0	.333	105	123	0-2	L-1

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(OCT. 23) UPI - Two California white supremacists and two Oregon skinheads were ordered to pay 12-and-a-half-Million dollars in damages Monday by a Portland, Oregon, jury. The panel ruled in a civil suit that white supremacist Tom Metzger and his son, John, incited the 1988 beating death of a black man by three skinheads. Damages were also assessed against two of the attackers. The money will go to the family of the victim. The lawyer who filed the suit hopes the decision will financially cripple the Metzgers' White Aryan

Resistance group.

George Bush is now just the third U-S president to reject a major civil rights bill. Bush Monday vetoed the Civil Rights Act of 1990 and urged Congress to pass his compromise version. The president says he wants to combat race and sex discrimination in the workplace, but says the congressional legislation would lead to hiring quotas.

The questions of how to cut Medicare and how to tax Millionaires apparently are the main obstacles still standing in the way of an agreement on a budget plan. Congressional leaders earlier Monday said a package was in sight. But the optimism faded as the day continued. A late-night meeting among top congressional and White House officials ended with NO agreement reached.

Officials for Seattle's Puget Sound Blood Center say they haven't decided whether to appeal Monday's jury decision that will cost the center one-point-eight-Million dollars. The money was awarded to a woman who developed AIDS after receiving a blood transfusion in 1984.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

HOCKEY

Montreal at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
New Jersey at NY Islanders, 7:35 p.m.
Washington at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Calgary at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Brighton, England - $350,000 Midland Bank Championships
Dallas - $350,000 Virginia Slims of Dallas
Sao Paolo, Brazil $150,000 Philips Open
Stockholm, Sweden - $1.1 million Stockholm Open

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(OCT. 23) UPI - The U-N Security Council Monday recessed after a two-hour session that ended with members deadlocked on how to reprimand Israel. The Israeli government has rejected a request to send a U-N team to probe the killing of at least 20 Palestinians in Jerusalem two weeks ago. Diplomats say the U-N Secretary-General is still interested in sending the team to Jerusalem to probe the shootings, which were carried out by Israeli trooops.

A State Department official doubts the sincerity of an Iraqi-American group's claim that Baghdad is prepared to release a dozen Americans. Members of the Iraqi-American Friendship Society have been meeting with Iraqi officials in Baghdad to seek the release of U-S hostages. The State Department official said he'd believe it when the U-S hostages get off the plane.

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BEIJING (OCT. 23) UPI - China criticized as ''totally unjustified'' Japan's use of patrol boats to protect a group of disputed islands in the East China Sea and demanded Tokyo stop activities it claims violates Chinese sovereignty over the area.

The Chinese Foreign Ministry issued the statement Monday after an incident Sunday in which Japanese coast guard patrol boats turned back two Taiwan fishing vessels whose crews had planned to land Taiwanese on the islands.

The eight tiny islands, all uninhabited, are located in the East China Sea between northern Taiwan and Okinawa to the north of another larger group of Japanese islands. The disputed islands are called the Senkakus by Japan and the Diaoyus by China and Taiwan.

The group has been the subject of conflicting territorial claims since the end of World War II.

''It is totally unjustified for the Japanese government to dispatch warships and airplanes to enter the sea waters of the Diaoyu Islands and intercept the fishermen from Taiwan Province,'' the Chinese Foreign Ministry statement said.

''The Chinese government strongly demands that the Japanese government immediately stop all its activities that violate China's sovereignty over the Diaoyu Islands and (their) adjacent sea waters,'' it said.

Although the Nationalist Chinese have ruled Taiwan since the mainland communist revolution in 1949, and Beijing views the island as a renegade province, both governments maintain there is only one China and close ranks in territorial disputes with other nations.

''The Diaoyu Islands have always been part of Chinese territory and China has indisputable sovereignty over the islands,'' the Foreign Ministry said.

The two Taiwan fishing vessels had planned to land a group of Taiwanese politicians and athletes on the main Diaoyu island to stage events to reinforce Taiwan's claim to the group.

Japanese patrol boats and helicopters forced the vessels to turn back after a

five-hour standoff in waters to the west of one of the islands.

Taiwan says the islands, claimed by Japan in 1895, came under Chinese sovereignty after Japan's wartime defeat in 1945, but the United States effectively took control of the islands and gave them back to Japan along with Okinawa in 1972.

Beijing renewed claims to the group in 1971, but agreed with Japan in 1972 to shelve the dispute when the two nations normalized relations.

After Sunday's incident, the Taiwan and Japanese governments both issued separate statements criticizing the other and declaring the islands as their own. China and Taiwan have criticized a Japanese plan to renovate a lighthouse on one of the islands.

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TOKYO (OCT. 23) UPI - Hokkaido Colliery and Steamship Co., formerly Japan's No. 2 coal producer, said Tuesday it will import coal from the Asian region beginning in fiscal 1991 as part of its survival program - a move symbolizing the crisis faced by Japan's declining coal industry.

The decision came against the background of the government's energy program aimed at cutting back domestic coal production and raising Japan's dependence on imports and atomic power and other energy sources.

The Japanese coal industry has lost international cost competitiveness as a result of the yen's sharp appreciation against foreign currencies, which made imports cheaper, and sluggish demand worldwide.

Prices of domestic coal are almost three times those of imported coal.

The Tokyo-based company said the plan calls for importing 1 million tons in the initial year from such countries as the Soviet Union, Australia, Indonesia and Malaysia.

The company also plans to acquire concessions to develop coal overseas in the future.

The company currently produces about 700,000 tons of coal annually on Hokkaido Japan's northernmost main island, for supplies mainly to electric power, cement, paper-pulp and chemical industries.

''It is hard to predict our future coal import program but it all depends on the government's coal policy,'' a spokesman for the company said.

The government's current coal production program, ending in fiscal 1992, calls

for domestic production of 10 million tons a year.

The Hokkaido Colliery official said the production goal may be lowered to 5 to 6 million tons in the next program.

Japan produced 55.4 million tons of coal in the peak year in 1961.

The government's policy shift toward greater dependence on foreign suppliers, which began in 1987, has forced the closure of about a dozen major coal mines at home and dismissals of nearly 11,000 workers, about half the industry's work force.

Japan's steel and electric power industries, which have long been the major customers of domestic coal producers, have turned to cheaper imported coal.

At a government request, the Japanese electric power industry has reluctantly purchased high-priced domestic coal.

The industry now calls for the phasing out of domestic coal production and warned it will stop purchasing coal from domestic suppliers at the end of fiscal 1992, when the government's eighth coal production adjustment program expires.

Electric power companies have been promoting the use of substitute energy sources such as atomic power generation and natural gas largely because of rising prices of domestically produced coal.

The leader of the Japanese coal industry said last week that coal producers will diversify into more profitable businesses to ensure their survival.

Atsushi Kawarasaki, President of the Japan Coal Association said the survival program includes coal development overseas, production of construction materials and operation of hotels and other leisure facilities at coal mining centers at home.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL SCORING SUMMARY:

Cincinnati	7	10	3	14-34
Cleveland	3	10	0	0-13

FIRST QUARTER

Cin-Holman 19 pass from Esiason (Breech kick), 5:19

Cle-FG Kauric 21, 12:23

SECOND QUARTER

Cin-Brooks 28 run (Breech kick), 6:07
Cin-FG Breech 20, 8:42
Cle-FG Kauric 30, 13:08
Cle-Hoard 1 run (Kauric kick), 15:00

THIRD QUARTER
Cin-FG Breech 21, 5:28

FOURTH QUARTER
Cin-Barber 2 pass from Esiason (Breech kick), 3:01
Cin-Woods 1 run (Breech kick), 12:28

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	Cin	Cle
First downs	15	17
Rushes-yards	37--233	28--96
Passing yards	79	157
Sacked-yards lost	1--6	4--33
3rd down eff.	7--12--58.3	7--17--41.2
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	7--17--1	17--34--2
Punts	3--46.0	5--33.6
Punt returns-yds	3--21	1--10
KO returns-yds	1--22	3--59
Fumbles-lost	2--1	2--0
Penalties-yards	5--33	5--25
Time of possessin	31:25	28:35

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-Cincinnati-Taylor 14-73, Esiason 2-16, Green 9-75, Woods 5-7, Brooks 6-63, Wilhelm 1-(-1). Cleveland-Mack 12-53, Hoard 9-30, Metcalf 4-10, Kosar 3-3.

PASSING-Cincinnati-Esiason 7-17-1-85. Cleveland-Kosar 17-33-2-190, Pagel 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING-Cincinnati-Brown 3-51, Holman 1-19, Brooks 1-2, Barber 1-2, Woods 1-11. Cleveland-Brennan 6-83, Slaughter 4-33, Metcalf 2-7, Mack 5-67.

SACKS-Cincinnati-Francis 1-(-8), White 1- (-4). Cleveland-Baker 1-(-6).

INTERCEPTIONS-Cincinnati-L.White 1-21, Zander 1-12. Cleveland-Minnifield 1-0.

Missed field goals: Cleveland, Kauric 41.

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#90296u0144 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 23) UPI - Police in the Philippines say NO injuries were caused by explosions Tuesday at two oil companies in Manila. The explosions occurred about 20 minutes apart on the eve of a general strike prompted by increases in oil prices. NO one has claimed responsibility for the attacks.

A 15-foot megamouth shark was towed back out to sea Monday after hundreds of spectators crowded the marina in Dana Point, California, for a glimpse of the rare creature. It's the first time scientists have seen a live megamouth shark. The 12-hundred-pound creature was released because marine biologists did NOT know how to keep it alive in captivity.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 23) UPI - The Cincinnati Bengals unveiled a potent rushing attack Monday night and ran the playoff hopes of the Cleveland Browns into the ground.

The Bengals rushed 37 times for 233 yards and two touchdowns, Boomer Esiason threw two touchdown passes, and Jim Breech kicked a pair of field goals to lead Cincinnati to a 34-13 win over Cleveland. The win gave the Bengals a 5-2 record and dropped Cleveland into last place in the AFC Central with a 2-5 record that leaves them three games behind Cincinnati and in danger of missing the playoffs for the first time in six years.

''We looked like a big-time football team tonight,'' said Cincinnati Coach Sam Wyche. ''We didn't think coming in we could run against the Browns the way we did.''

Esiason completed 7 of 17 passes for 85 yards and was intercepted once, and threw scoring passes of 19 yards to Rodney Holman and 2 yards to Mike Barber. James Brooks scored on a 28-yard run and Ickey Woods, making his first appearance since suffering a knee injury since last September, closed out the scoring with a 1-yard plunge with 2:52 left. Woods carried five times for 7 yards.

Breech kicked field goals of 20 and 21 yards as the Bengals raised their record to 2-2 on their current stretch of five straight road games. Cleveland is 1-2 at home and plays Sunday at San Francisco against the undefeated 49ers.

Rookie Harold Green gained 75 yards on nine carries, Craig Taylor gained 73 yards on 14 rushes, and Brooks got 63 yards on six carries for the Bengals. Kevin Mack led Cleveland with 53 yards on 12 attempts.

''The one thing we've been talking about in the locker room is that we felt like we didn't have the running game together,'' Esiason said. ''I told our

offensive linemen at halftime that it was their game and when it is their game you can run the ball effectively.

''It should prove that we're more than one-dimensional, we don't rely on one player. When everyone gets involved and does their job we can win on the ground or in the air.''

The Browns trailed 17-3 in the second quarter, but scored 10 points in the final 1:52 of the first half to apparently grab the momentum when Leroy Hoard bulled over from the 1 as time expired.

''I thought at halftime we were in good shape,'' said Cleveland Coach Bud Carson. ''We got it to 17-13, we had the crowd behind us, we were in pretty good position to come back, and we go out there and didn't do much.''

But the Browns lost the momentum somewhere between Hoard's touchdown and the start of the third quarter.

''They appeared more motivated at the beginning of the game,'' Wyche said of the Browns.

On Cleveland's first possession after halftime, Carl Zander picked off a Bernie Kosar pass and returned it to the Cleveland 38 to set up a 21-yard Breech field goal that put the Bengals up 20-13. Cleveland botched a field goal attempt with 3:36 left in the third quarter when holder Mike Pagel dropped the snap, and the Bengals ground game sprung into high gear.

Keeping the ball on the ground, the Bengals drove from their 14 to the Cleveland 4, with Taylor busting loose for a 24-yard run, Brooks running twice for 34 yards, and Green ripping off a 15-yard gain on third-and-10. Esiason then completed a pair of passes, the second going to an open Barber in the end zone for a 27-13 Bengal lead.

''I think we caught them at the right time and they did their stunts at the wrong time,'' Green said. ''Our inside game was strong with a lot of our trap and counter plays.''

Kosar completed 17 of 33 passes for 190 yards and was picked off twice and sacked four times.

''The main thing tonight, not to take anything away from them, but I don't think the intensity was there tonight as a football team,'' Kosar said.

There were several long discussions among the referees, including one that took approximately 10 minutes to figure out what down it was and another long huddle after an Esiason touchdown pass to Holman was nullified by an illegal formation penalty. That penalty was upheld.

But the Bengals, who must vie for attention with the World Series champion Reds, say they're trying to emulate the success of their baseball-playing counterparts.

''I can only compare it to the Reds winning the World Series,'' Esiason said. ''They kept talking about team, team team, then winning the World Series. Tonight was definitely a team win.''

For the Browns it was a team loss, and for Carson, who has been rumored to have his job in jeopardy, it was an especially crushing defeat.

''The people in power, the people who run this city, want this football team to win and win now,'' Carson said.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - The government warns that some automatic garage door openers can be fatal to children. The Consumer Product Safety Commission says doors should be replaced or repaired if they do not automatically reverse when they strike an object. Since 1982, at least 46 children have been trapped and killed by closing garage doors.

New York Mayor David Dinkins has ordered nearly 700 top municipal officials to take a five percent pay cut- including himself. Dinkins' 130-thousand-dollar salary will be cut 65-hundred dollars. Dinkins earlier ordered a hiring and promotion freeze to help reduce the city's budget gap.

Cowboy star Roy Rogers is resting comfortably after a four-hour heart operation in Apple Valley, California. Rogers' son, Roy Rogers Junior, said his father is ''doing just fine.'' The singing cowboy star is 78. He appeared in 90 musical Westerns during 30 years and appeared in a television series.

The F-B-I has arrested a General Motors employee for selling pictures of future car models to magazines. Last year, several publications published pictures of some G-M cars, including the Saturn, that do NOT debut until the 1993 model year. G-M claims the pictures cost hundreds of Millions of dollars in trade secret damage.

Humphrey, the humpback whale that got lost in the Sacramento River five years ago, is back and in trouble again. A whale identified as Humphrey is stranded on mud flats in San Francisco Bay. Scientists say he could be crushed to death by his own weight if he does NOT get back to deep water.

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WILMINGTON, Del. (OCT. 23) UPI - A minor earthquake registering at 2.9 on the

Richter scale was recorded in the Delaware River Valley, fanning out from the epicenter to points in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, the U.S. Geological Survey said Tuesday.

The earthquake occurred at 9:35 p.m. Monday and its epicenter was in the Delaware River Valley, about 15 miles south of Wilmington, Del., said Pat Jorgenson of the National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colo.

''Scientists here this evening recorded a minor earthquake,'' she said refering to the earthquake monitoring headquarters run by the U.S. Geological Survey.

The earthquake was felt in the Wilmington and New Castle areas in Delaware, and was reportedly felt by residents of Salem and Gloucester counties in New Jersey, she said.

''We also had reports of it being felt in Delaware County, Pa.,'' she said.

''Quite a few people felt it. We had quite a few calls from radio stations,'' she said. ''They felt things shaking and they wanted to know if there was an earthquake.''

She said no other tremors are likely to follow because it was not a major quake. ''It's a single event,'' she said.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	7	3	0	14	41	26
Philadelphia	6	2	0	12	35	24
New Jersey	5	3	1	11	30	31
Washington	4	5	0	8	28	30
Pittsburgh	3	4	1	7	32	33
NY Islanders	2	5	0	4	19	24

Adams Division

Hartford	4	3	2	10	28	28
Quebec	3	4	3	9	34	38
Montreal	4	4	1	9	28	33
Boston	4	4	1	9	27	35
Buffalo	1	4	3	5	27	30

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	6	4	0	12	34	24
Detroit	4	3	2	10	33	35
St. Louis	4	3	1	9	21	25
Minnesota	1	6	2	4	20	37
Toronto	1	7	1	3	20	38

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Los Angeles	6	1	1	13	39	20
Calgary	6	3	0	12	35	24
Vancouver	5	3	0	10	30	26
Edmonton	2	3	2	6	26	23
Winnipeg	2	6	1	5	30	33

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - Faced with slumping polls and a sluggish economy, President Bush headed to New England Tuesday in an effort to improve the GOP's numbers in the Democratic-controlled Congress.

In the process, the president, set to campaign for Republicans in Vermont, New Hampshire and Connecticut, hoped to improve his own chances of success in next year's Congress.

Bush has fewer Republicans in the House than any GOP president this century, just 176 compared with 258 Democrats. In the Senate, Democrats enjoy a 55-45 margin.

The president has complained in recent weeks that he would have been able to obtain a better 1989-90 legislative scorecard, particularly on the budget, if Republicans reigned on Capitol Hill.

That isn't expected to happen any time soon. But Bush has spent much of the past several month campaigning for GOP candidates in the Nov. 6 election, when the entire House and a third of the Senate will be up for grabs.

Bush was to begin Tuesday's campaign swing by attending a GOP fund- raising event in Burlington, Vt., for Rep. Peter Smith, R-Vermont, seeking reelection.

The president was then to address a similar function in Manchester, N.H., on behalf of Rep. Bob Smith, R-N.H., seeking to fill the Senate seat being vacated by Gordon Humphrey.

The president also was to attend fund-raising events in Waterbury, Conn., for

GOP congressional nominee Gary Franks, a black city alderman, and in Stamford, Conn., for Rep. John Rowland, R-Conn., who is running for governor.

Bush was to make this campaign trip on Oct. 5. But he postponed it so he could stay in Washington to lobby for a bipartisan budget agreement that was ultimately rejected by the House.

Most House Republicans, including the entire Vermont delegation, broke with Bush on the budget battle, handing the president one of the biggest legislative defeats of his administration.

Recent polls show that the budget debacle, combined with the sluggish economy, have hurt Bush's popularity. A Gallup survey last week showed his approval rating at 56 percent, down by nearly 20 points from a month ago.

A Washington Post-ABC poll, also released last week, found that a record high disapproval mark of 58 percent on Bush's handling of the economy. A month ago, the figure stood at 41 percent.

The same survey found that support of Bush's policies in the Persian Gulf, although still strong, had slipped from 78 percent to 64 percent.

In addition, the poll found that Bush's support among blacks, once as high as 74 percent, had dropped to 37 percent. That figure may likely decline further in response to Bush's veto Monday of the Civil Rights Act of 1990.

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#90296u0298 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL, South Korea (OCT. 23) UPI - A U.S. Air Force F-16 fighter crashed Tuesday near Taegu, 150 miles southeast of Seoul, U.S. military authorities said.

The crash took place at about 9:45 a.m. The pilot ejected from the aircraft and was picked up by a helicopter and taken to a hospital where he is listed in good condition, officials said.

The fighter was assigned to the 80th Tactical Fighter Squardron at Kunsan Air Base, 115 miles southwest of Seoul. A board of officers is investigating the cause of the accident, the officials said.

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#90296u0365 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 23) UPI - A plan to dispatch Japanese troops to help the multinational forces in the Persian Gulf ran into trouble Tuesday when the two biggest opposition parties began a parliamentary boycott.

The Japan Socialist Party and the Komei Party refused to attend a committee hearing on the government's bill to authorize formation of what it calls the United Nations Peace Cooperation Corps.

The bill would allow the government to deploy troops overseas in potential combat areas for the first time since World War II. It has been denounced as violating Japan's pacifist constitution not only by opposition parties but by some senior members of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party as well.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu has vigorously defended the bill, saying that as troops will be limited to non-combat roles, it is not only constitutional but vital for the nation to meet its international obligations.

The Japan Socialist Party, largest of the opposition groups, had demanded a weeklong committee hearing in the House of Representatives, with all 21 Cabinet members present.

The ruling party instead scheduled two days of hearings, triggering the boycott.

The special lower house committee met briefly Tuesday morning with only the Liberal Democrats and Japan Communists in attendance, then recessed, a parliamentary spokesman said. He said he did not know when hearings would resume.

Japanese television reports said backroom talks were making progress and that the committee hearing might resume Thursday.

Defeat of the bill would be a serious blow to Japan's prestige abroad, the Foreign Ministry's chief spokesman, Taizo Watanabe, said Tuesday.

The ministry, which drafted the bill, plans to lobby members both of the ruling party and the opposition on the importance and appropriateness of the bill, Watanabe said.

The walkout by the Japan Socialists surprised no one because they have until recently opposed the very existence of Japan's military, known as the Self-Defense Forces.

In contrast, the Komei, a centrist party affiliated with a Buddhist organization, had earlier waffled on its position about sending troops to help in the gulf.

But the day before House hearings were to open, Komei Chairman Koshiro Ishida came out firmly against bill.

Speaking at a news conference, Ishida said the bill was unconstitutional and declared his party would fight to see it defeated.

Although the Liberal Democrats hold a majority in the House of Representatives they have only a plurality in the Parliament's upper chamber, the House of Councillors.

There, the Japan Socialists and the Komei believe that, together with smaller opposition parties, they have the votes to defeat the bill.

Some members even think they can garner enough defections from the ruling party to stop it in the House of Representatives.

''I am confident this bill will fail,'' a Socialist member of the lower house said Tuesday.

''The ruling party is so confused and so split over this bill. Many of its members are against it. Only the right wing really supports it,'' said the member, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Opposition to the bill intensified after the government revealed that the troops would be authorized to carry machine guns and other small weaponry in self-defense.

On Sunday, 23,000 people rallied around a U.S. air base near Tokyo to demonstrate against the bill.

The following morning, Masaharu Gotoda, the former head of Japan's Defense Agency who served as chief Cabinet secretary under former Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, denounced the bill in a front-page interview with the Mainichi Daily News.

''If Japan uses this as an opportunity to start sending troops to other countries ... the door will be opened for Japan to become a military superpower. Other countries do not want that,'' Gotoda said. ''Japan does not have a historical foundation for civilian control (of the military) like England and the United States.''

An opinion poll published by the same newspaper Tuesday said that 53 percent of respondents were against sending troops overseas, while only 13 percent were for it.

In Parliament Monday, Prime Minister Kaifu reiterated his view that the corps would be legal because it would have orders not to use force except in self-defense.

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#90296u0383 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 23) UPI - The U.S. dollar opened higher against the major

European currencies Tuesday, aided by progress on a U.S. budget package and sharply lower oil prices, dealers said.

The dollar opened higher in Frankfurt, at 1.5200 German marks against 1.5145 at Monday's close, and was also higher at the open in Zurich, at 1.2875 Swiss francs against 1.2799.

In London, the pound dropped slightly against the U.S. unit, despite favorable British trade figures. The pound opened at $1.9475 against $1.9495 Monday.

The dollar opened higher in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at 5.0920 French francs against 5.0490, 31.3650 Belgian francs against 31.14, and 1,138.20 Italian lire vs. 1,129.30.

Earlier, the U.S. dollar continued to rise against the Japanese yen in Tokyo Tuesday mainly on short-covering buying.

''It's time to correct the recent steep rise of the yen against the dollar,'' one dealer said.

The dollar closed at 127.13 yen, up 0.88 yen over 126.25 yen at Monday's close of trading, the Bank of Japan said.

Foreign exchange dealers said market players purchased dollars for position adjustments. The downturn in crude oil prices also encouraged dollar buying, they said.

Elsewhere in Asia, the dollar closed higher in Hong Kong at 7.7862 Hong Kong dollars as against 7.7835 on Monday. In Singapore, the dollar closed lower at 1.7000 Singapore dollars against 1.7070.

Gold closed lower in Hong Kong at $370.55 from Monday's finish at $370.85.

In Zurich, gold opened higher at $371 per ounce against $368.50, and also opened higher in London at $370.50 an ounce against $368.25.

Silver opened lower in Zurich at $4.20 an ounce from $4.25, and was also lower in London at $4.23 an ounce from $4.28.

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#90296u0470 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (OCT. 23) UPI - ''My wife's been shot. I've been shot.''

Those words a year ago touched off a chain of events that shocked a city, traumatized two families and left numerous questions about one of Boston's most infamous murders.

On Oct. 23, 1989, Charles Stuart, a prospering furrier, called the police emergency line from his car phone to report he and his pregnant wife, Carol, an attorney, and he had been shot. He would later claim the gunman was a black mugger.

In Boston Tuesday, black leaders declared the one-year anniversary a day of mourning for injustices committed against their community in the aftermath of the killing. They urged residents to wear black armbands and to drive with their headlights on to recall the events of that night and the days following during which police searched for the gunman in the Mission Hill neighborhood where the shootings allegedly occurred.

Blacks claimed their community was unfairly blamed for the killing and said many young blacks had their constitutional rights violated by police in their hunt for the killer.

Stuart was first thought to be the victim of a heart-breaking crime. But less than 2 1/2 months later, after Stuart had killed himself by jumping off a bridge, he was reviled throughout the city and his case had inflamed racial relations and buried police and the media under a heap of criticism for their handling of it.

The most compelling questions that remain involve not only what spurred Stuart to kill his wife, Carol DiMaiti Stuart, but the level of involvement of his brother, Matthew, in the crime.

The lingering questions add to the torment of the DiMaiti family, as well as to the rest of Charles Stuart's relatives.

On Oct. 23, 1989, Carol Stuart, 30, who was seven months pregnant, was shot in the head. Charles said a black gunman forced his way into the couple's car after they left a birthing class at an inner-city hospital. After the gunman robbed and shot them, Stuart called police from his car telephone.

The case made headlines across the nation because of the dramatic audio tapes of the police dispatcher's efforts to coax more information from Stuart so they could pinpoint his location. There also was video footage obtained by a television crew that happened to be filming in the area and a graphic photo of Carol with her head lolling and mouth agape.

Sympathy for Stuart poured in from across the nation. The story became more painful when the baby Carol was carrying - a boy who was christened Christopher - died 17 days after his delivery by Caesarian section.

The Stuarts were depicted as the perfect couple, living comfortably and happily in suburban Reading until tragedy struck. Boston Mayor Raymond Flynn ordered an all-out search for their attacker, and media reports named William Bennett, a black man who had spent 13 years in prison, as the prime suspect.

But on Jan. 4 Charles Stuart plunged from a bridge into the Mystic River and police revealed that he had become their prime suspect.

Speculation about his motive ranged from rumors of romance with a blond former co-worker, who steadfastly denied any romantic invovlement, to reports that Stuart did not want a baby, and finally to the theory that he killed his wife to cash in on insurance policies, possibly to finance his dream of becoming a famous restaurateur.

The day before Stuart's suicide, his brother Matthew had gone to police with evidence implicating his brother in the shootings. Matthew said he became an unwitting accomplice in the crime when he and a friend, John McMahon, met Charles in the Mission Hill neighborhood on the night of the shootings and agreed to dispose of a gun, Carol's purse and several other items. Matthew reportedly told authorities he thought he was aiding in an insurance scam and knew nothing of a murder plot.

Investigators want to know more about Matthew's role but he has apparently refused to testify before a grand jury, although Massachusetts law prevents the prosecution of blood relatives as accessories after the fact of a crime.

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#90296u0482 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 23) UPI - Japan's two biggest opposition parties- the Socialists and Komei - began a boycott today that signals trouble for government plans to send Japanese troops to the Persian Gulf force. Both the Socialists and the Komei stayed away from a parliamentary committee hearing on the deployment. The boycott shows that there is enough opposition in parliament to bury the plan. In the upper house of Parliament, the opposition of both parties will defeat the bill.

Time is running out again for White House and congressional budget negotiators. A temporary measure that allows the government to spend money expires tomorrow night. House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt says another temporary plan may be needed because NO budget agreement is in sight. Negotiators met yesterday, but made NO deal.

Leading German economic institutes predict that German unification will slow down economic growth for the next few years. They say the growth in the German gross national product will be only one and one- half percent next year and UNemployment will jump from six to 10 percent. The report says the decline in the eastern German economy, which began when the German mark was introduced, will continue.

Top security officials in the Soviet Union say their work has changed because of perestroika. They NO longer concentrate on dissidents, who are now allowed

freedom, and are fighting traditional crimes. And laws against economic crimes such as ''speculation'' are NOT enforced. The head of the K-G-B says because of increased foreign contacts, drug trafficking is expanding.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - American Health magazine says nearly one-third of all the black Americans who died in 1987 would have lived if health conditions were the same for blacks and whites. The magazine said a chief cause is the lack of good medical care for blacks. But it acknowledged that differences in lifestyles and genetics are also factors. The magazine reports 75-thousand excess deaths among blacks.

A jury ruled in Portland, Oregon, yesterday that a former Ku Klux Klan leader and his son had incited two ''skinheads'' to kill an Ethiopian student. White supremacist Tom Metzger, his son John and the skinheads were ordered to pay more than 12-Million dollars to the victim's family. Skinheads are youths who shave their heads and sometimes favor radical right causes.

Peter MacDonald, once chairman of the largest U-S Indian tribe, has been sentenced to nearly six years in prison and fined 11-thousand dollars. MacDonald was convicted last week of scheming to collect money from companies doing business on the Navajo reservation at Window Rock, Arizona. His son was sentenced to 18 months. The elder MacDonald was suspended as Navajo tribal chairman last year after a Senate committee heard testimony about corruption.

Marine biologists released a rare megamouth shark yesterday because they do NOT know how to keep it alive in captivity. The fish was caught Sunday and was taken to Dana Point, California. It was the only megamouth scientists have ever seen alive. The scientists photographed it for several hours as hundreds of spectators crowded the area for a glimpse. The huge shark lives more than 600 feet below the ocean's surface.

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#90296u0508 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 23) UPI - Japan and Germany will hold their first science and technology cooperation talks since the reunification of the European country, the Foreign Ministry said Tuesday.

The ministry said the session in Tokyo scheduled for Thursday and Friday will be devoted to discussions on further expansion of cooperation in such fields as oceanography, life science, environment and energy.

The meeting will be the 13th session of the Japan-Federal Republic of Germany Joint Committee on Cooperation in Science and Technology based on a bilateral agreement concluded in 1974.

The committee has held meetings alternately in Japan and Germany since the first session met in Tokyo in 1975.

Dr. Josef Remser, Director-General for Basic Research of the Ministry for Research and Technology, will head the German delegation consisting of about 10 officials.

The Japanese panel will be led by Hiroshi Ota, Director-General for Scientific and Technological Affairs of the Foreign Ministry.

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#90296u0536 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
MADISON, WI (OCT. 23) UPI - Controversial Rabbi Meir Kahane, a former member of the Israeli Knesset, was forcibly removed from the stage during a speech Monday night because of protests over his remarks on expelling Arabs from Israel.

Kahane, a former U.S. citizen who once headed the militant Jewish Defense League in this country, in his speech at the University of Wisconsin-Madison called for the expulsion of all Arabs from Israel.

He tried to talk between the angry chants of more than 100 protesters and UW-Madison police and security guards removed him from an auditorium stage on campus to avoid a major disturbance.

A spokesman for UW-Madison security said Tuesday Kahane was ''arrested and unarrested.'' The spokesman said Kahane was taken off the stage for his own protection but then released.

At one point Kahane left the stage to confront protesters but was escorted back to the stage. When the disturbance did not end, officials took him off the stage despite chants from about 50 people to ''let him speak.''

The speech was sponsored by the Zionist Organization.

Kahane wants all Arabs expelled from the Israeli-occupied territories and said he is worried Arabs, because of a higher birthrate, could one day have a majority vote.

''I don't want your love. I have my state. If you don't like it, eat your heart out because it will be a Jewish state,'' he said.

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#90296u0554 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 23) UPI - House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt says Congress may

seek another stopgap measure to keep the government funded. But the White House says President Bush may NOT approve another bill to replace one that expires late tomorrow.

A bill to dispatch Japanese troops to help the multi-national forces in the Persian Gulf hit troubled waters today in Tokyo. Japan's two biggest opposition parties began a parliamentary boycott to protest the plan.

President Bush heads to New England this morning in an effort to improve his party's numbers in the Democratic-controlled Congress. Bush will campaign for Republicans today while stopping in Vermont, New Hampshire and Connecticut.

President Bush yesterday became the third American president to veto a major civil rights bill. Bush rejected the advice of one of the top conservatives in the Senate- Utah Republican Orin Hatch- in rejecting the measure.

The U-N Security Council may resume negotiations today on how to reprimand Israel for rejecting a request to send a U-N team to Jerusalem. The council had hoped to investigate the killings of at least 20 Palestinians.

A human rights group says U-S military aid in Colombia's war on cocaine should be suspended. The U-S-based Americas Watch says the money would lead to increased human rights violations by the Colombian armed forces.

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#90296u0555 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 23) UPI - The Office of Thrift Supervision is ordering a figure in the nation's savings and loan collapse to repay a Florida bank nearly 31-Million dollars. The O-T-S says the former chairman's ''greed'' led to the failure of Miami Centrust Bank.

Former Ku Klux Klan leader Tom Metzger views a trial in Portland, Oregon, as a victory. Metzger says the ruling ordering him to pay Millions to the family of a slain black man will make him a martyr of the white separatist movement.

The second Central Park jogger trial resumes this morning in New York City. One of two youths being tried in the gang rape sobbed and vomited in court after the prosecutor made her opening statement yesterday.

A federal judge in Buffalo, New York, will begin hearing testimony tomorrow in one of the nation's most costly environmental disasters. The case involves the question of liability for chemicals that leaked from Love Canal.

U-S military officials in South Korea say an American Air Force F-16 fighter crashed today about 150 miles southeast of Seoul. The pilot ejected from the aircraft and is hospitalized in good condition.

The U-S Geological Survey says a minor earthquake hit the Delaware River Valley last night, fanning out to points in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Officials say ''quite a few people felt'' the quake registering two-point-nine on the Richter scale.

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#90296u0565 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 23) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed higher Tuesday as plunging global oil prices spurred the market to its seventh consecutive gain.

The blue chip Nikkei Average of 225 selective issues, which gained 589.37 points Monday, added another 227.44 points to 25,298.30.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all listed shares edged up 1.26 points to 1,859.56. TOPIX shot up 42.01 points Monday.

Volume slipped to an estimated 550 million shares, down from 599 million shares Monday.

Advances outnumbered declines 553 to 429, while 129 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices jumped more than 2 percent in heavy trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, spurred on by an ease in worries about tension in the Gulf and lower oil prices.

The Hang Seng Index, which gained 23.61 points Monday, surged 65.67 points, or 2.18 percent to 3,081.23.

Volume was heavy as an estimated 1.4 billion shares traded, up sharply from 982 million shares Monday.

In Singapore, stocks firmed in active trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in line with the surge in Tokyo and fading fears of war in the Mideast.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which climbed 33.38 points Monday, gained another 36.67 points to 1,209.90. The broader-based All Singapore Index rose 10.21 points to 334.39.

An estimated 88.6 million shares changed hands, up sharply from the 72.3 million shares Monday.

In Seoul, stock prices on the Korean Exchange closed sharply higher in active trading for the sixth consecutive day.

In Manila, stocks closed higher in active trading.

In Australia, prices were higher in active trading on the Sydney Stock Exchange.

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#90296u0619 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 23) UPI - Humphrey the wayward humpback whale, who enthralled the world five years ago when he apparently got lost and wandered through northern California for three weeks, is back and in trouble again.

An endangered humpback was spotted Monday, stranded on the mud flats in San Francisco Bay, creating a massive traffic jam as motorists slowed to catch a glimpse of the beached creature, who could easily be crushed to death by his own weight if he is not returned to deep water.

Marine biologists familiar with Humphrey's 25-day odyssey of 1985 positively identified him late Monday from photographs of the distinctive markings and shape of the underside of his tail, said Denise Springer of the Marine Mammal Center.

''Right now it's most critical because he's fully exposed. He's in the mud. The problem is he's an animal that's usually in deep water,'' she said. ''Right now he's on land and he could easily crush his organs. He's literally lying on his lungs.''

Springer said a half-dozen rescue workers are manipulating the whale to keep it constantly moving so it doesn't crush any of his vital organs. They are awaiting high tide to make their job easier.

Scientists took blood samples to determine if he is sick, but said he does not appear to be ill or injured.

The whale was first discovered around dawn by California Highway Patrol officers investigating an unusual early-morning backup on Highway 101 near Candlestick Park, just south of the city.

Thousands of curious motorists slowed in the northbound lanes and hundreds of people stopped to watch the whale, causing what one dispatcher called, ''a major, major mess.''

Peigin Barrett, a spokeswoman for the Marine Mammal Center, said the whale apparently became beached when it came too close to shore in a shallow part of San Francisco Bay. ''We were unable to determine if it was ill or just became lost,'' she said.

Three people in a small boat pulled in next to the whale and spent the morning splashing water on it to keep it from becoming dried out or burned by the sun.

Barrett said the splashing, and the presence of humans, might have stimulated the whale to work its way loose at high tide and move away from shore.

Escorted by two Coast Guard boats, the whale began moving toward the Golden Gate Bridge in a zig-zag pattern.

But about 3 p.m. it started moving in closer to shore and again hit the mud flats near the Hunters Point shipyard, 2 miles north of where it first became stranded.

Volunteers threw wet cloths over the whale to keep its body temperature from rising. Shallow waters prevented boats from getting close enough to pull the animal into deeper water.

Barrett said it is highly unusual for a humpback, an endangered species, to find its way into the shallow bay.

The 30-foot whale later named Humphrey gained international fame in 1985 when he toured San Francisco Bay and even drifted inland up the Sacramento River into the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Humphrey was eventually herded back out to sea and was sighted as late as last year ''living a normal life near the Farallon Islands,'' off San Francisco, Barrett said.

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#90296u0623 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 23) UPI - An Iraqi-American group says Iraq is prepared to release a small group of Americans. A State Department official says the Iraqi-American Friendship Society was told that about a dozen Americans will be freed. They include old, young and sick people. Nearly 22-hundred Americans have been allowed to leave Iraq and Kuwait so far.

A U-S Air Force plane crashed this morning about 150 miles southeast of Seoul, South Korea. Military authorities say the pilot ejected. He was taken by helicopter to a hospital and is in good condition. The plane was an F-16 assigned to the 80th Tactical Fighter Squadron at Kunsan Air Base.

India's coalition government is threatened. A fundamentalist Hindu party, the B-J-P, has withdrawn its support from Prime Minister V-P Singh's government. The move followed the arrest of B-J-P's president today. The Hindu leader had vowed to move a Moslem temple and build a Hindu temple in its place.

Flooding is common in the South and Middle Atlantic states, the result of days of steady rain. Flash floods have washed out bridges and roads in northwestern South Carolina. Other roads are under water. Charlotte-Douglas Airport in North Carolina has had three inches of rain since yesterday.

President Bush campaigns today in New England for Republican candidates in the November 6th elections. Bush particularly wants to increase the number of Republicans in Congress. He has complained that he would do better in getting his legislation through Congress if there were more Republicans.

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#90296u0626 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 23) UPI - Health Secretary Louis Sullivan is trying to get a national consensus on an alternative to national health insurance. Sullivan speaks to faculty members of Stanford University today to ask them for solutions to higher health care costs. He has said doctors and hospitals pay too little attention to costs.

Argentina has put a retired dissident army officer under house arrest. Colonel Mohamed Ali Seineldin was arrested yesterday. On Saturday, Seineldin warned Argentine officials that officers are rebellious because of low pay and Argentina's recession. In the 1980's, he led a rebellion that forced a former president to resign.

The U-N Security Council met secretly yesterday to discuss how to reprimand Israel for rejecting a U-N investigation of the killings of 20 Palestinians in Jerusalem. Diplomats say negotiations may continue today. Israel says it will NOT co-operate with a U-N investigation, but will provide its own findings.

The government has denied operators of the trans-Alaska pipeline permission to increase the pressure to increase the flow of oil. A Washington official says pressure canNOT be increased until charges are investigated that inspectors were lax in inspecting for corrosion and used drugs on the job.

The former chairman of a Miami bank has been ordered to repay 31- Million dollars. A government office said David Paul used the money at the expense of depositors and taxpayers to buy paintings and other luxuries. The bank, CenTrust, failed earlier this year.

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#90296u0628 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 23) UPI - Stock prices were higher in moderate trading at midday Tuesday on the London International Stock Exchange.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 13.0 points Monday was ahead 23.8 points to 2,125.8. The narrower top 30 industrial average was up 23.9 points to 1,657.5.

Volume amounted to around 260 million shares compared with 177 million shares traded during the same period Monday.

Analysts said stocks moved higher boosted by the strong performance in Tokyo, where the Nikkei Average climbed 227.44 points for its seventh consecutive winning session.

Market watchers said stocks also moved higher as local investors sought selective blue chips with high yields at bargin prices.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Royal Bank of Scotland eased 6 cents to $2.77, B.A.T Industries climbed 33 cents to $10.95 and BET, an international support services company, lost 12 cents to $4.09.

British Petroleum gained 4 cents to $6.46 as the prices of North Sea Brent blend crude oil moved $1.50 a barrel higher in light trading in Europe.

Among some of the water stocks, Thames Water gained 6 cents to $4.49, Anglian Water added 12 cents to $4.45 and Severn Trent added 6 cents to $3.90.

Elsewhere, Imperial Chemical Industries gained 25 cents to $16.16 and Barclays Bank PLC added 16 cents to $7.03.

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#90296u0651 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

SOUTHFIELD, MI (OCT. 23) UPI - Two small girls fell through a window screen and plunged five floors to the ground outside their apartment building but escaped without serious injury, authorities said. Shrubbery below the window was credited with cushioning the blow.

''Mass times velocity equals force but these girls, being young, probably didn't have much mass and the bushes slowed down their velocity,'' said Dr. John Downs, a sports medicine expert and medical professor at Michigan State University.

The accident occurred Monday afternoon at the seven-story Franklin Towers, said Police Lt. Elbert Guerrini.

He said Sara Noureodine, 4, and her sister, Ghada, 6, were standing near the window and the screen ''gave way.'' Both children fell 60 feet.

The incident was reported by their mother, Guona Noureodine, Guerrini said.

The children were treated at the scene and transferred to Providence Hospital where they were in temporary serious condition. Authorities said they apparently suffered no internal injuries and will stay in the hospital for observation.

''They're pretty lucky kids,'' nursing supervisor Gerry McCormick said.

Shocked neighbors heard cries of ''Mama, mama'' from the bushes after the girls fell.

''I heard these cries,'' said Cindy Kovalenko, a first-floor apartment resident. ''I saw two children lying on the ground.

Downs said childrens' bodies are more elastic than those of adults and ''can tolerate a degree of trauma that would be unacceptable to adults.''

A Lebanese-American woman who befriended the family at the hospital interpreted the mother's remarks, saying the girls were playing happily on the couch when they started pushing at the screen.

''The mother's in shock that this happened,'' the interpreter said. ''She said it's a miracle that they're still alive.''

The children's father is still in Lebanon, police said.

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#90296u0653 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

CANBERRA (OCT. 23) UPI - Nelson Mandela thanked Prime Minister Bob Hawke and the Australian people Tuesday for their support in opposing apartheid and urged them not to drop sanctions against the white minority government in Pretoria.

Mandela, who arrived in the Australian capital Monday night from Indonesia, was warmly greeted by Hawke and Foreign Affairs Minister Gareth Evans when he arrived at the country's Parliament House.

He was driven there in a special armored anti-terrorist limousine amid tight security.

In a luncheon speech, Mandela, deputy leader of the African National Congress, appealed to the Australian government not to drop its sanctions against South Africa.

''Australia has made a significant and consistent contribution to the sports and cultural boycott,'' Mandela said. ''This campaign must be maintained inside South Africa, especially in rugby, cricket, tennis and athletics.

''We are optimistic that with the maintenance of economic sanctions we will hasten the achievement of freedom for South Africans who have yearned and fought for so long and sacrificed so much.''

Mandela accused the ''fanatic right wing'' within the ranks of the South African government security forces of orchestrating the so-called

black-on-black violence.

''It is an attempt to weaken the African National Congress and to derail the peace process,'' Mandela said.

The 72-year-old Mandela was given a standing ovation by 1,000 official guests at the end of his speech.

When he arrived at Parliament House he was cheered by about 50 people and asked for help by aboriginal activist Michael Mansell.

''What about the aboriginals, Mr. Mandela, what about the aboriginals?'' Mansell yelled, referring to the dark-skinned native inhabitants of Australia.

Mandela, moving from his car to greet Hawke, appeared not to hear the shout or see the activist who was standing behind the aboriginal black and yellow flag.

Mansell asserted that Mandela had come to Australia on the condition he not speak out on aboriginal affairs.

''The Australian government has insisted Nelson Mandela not make any comment about aboriginal people while he's here because they see us little aborigines as being their aborigines and nobody else has got a right to do anything about it,'' Mansell told reporters.

On his arrival in Canberra Monday, Mandela told reporters he did not want to become involved in ''the internal affairs of every country.''

''We are coming here to express our sense of gratitude,'' Mandela said. ''Recent visits to Europe, the United States and Indonesia have so far exceeded beyond our wildest dreams.''

On Monday, Evans ruled out any early lifting of Australia's sporting sanctions against South Africa until there is further change in the remaining policies of apartheid.

Evans conceeded it was possible Australia could begin lifting some of the sanctions before apartheid was totally ended.

''It is not time yet, there are many other pillars of apartheid still intact '' Evans said.

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#90296u0662 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 22: Purchases of 393,400 shares and sales of 459,346 shares including 16,620

shares sold short.

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#90296u0706 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 23) UPI - Another day on Capitol Hill and another chance for budget negotiators to try and reach agreement on cutting the nation's red ink. Congressional and administration officials talked until late last night without reporting any progress in their dispute over how to trim the nation's deficit by 500-BILLION dollars during the next five years. Taxes and Medicare are the focus of the talks.

The Philippine military is increasing its presence in Manila on the eve of a general strike called by leftwing unions demanding wage increases. The demand for more pay comes in response to a 29 percent hike in petroleum prices due to the Persian Gulf crisis. Troops in the capital are on full alert following two explosions at two oil companies in the capital.

A plan to deploy Japanese troops to help the multinational forces in the Persian Gulf hit a major snag today in Tokyo. The nation's two biggest opposition parties began a parliamentary boycott to protest the bill drafted by Japan's Foreign Ministry. But Japanese T-V reports say backroom talks are making progress and a parliamentary hearing on the bill may resume Thursday.

President Bush is looking ahead to next year's Congress as he heads to New England and a day of campaigning. Bush hopes to improve the G-O- P's numbers in the Democratic-controlled Congress with stops in Vermont, New Hampshire and Connecticut. Bush has the fewest number of Republicans in the House of any G-O-P president this century. In the Senate, Democrats enjoy a 55-45 margin.

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#90296u0708 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 23) UPI - The executive director of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights says a veto yesterday will- in his words- ''define the Bush presidency.'' Ralph Neas says Bush joined just two other U-S presidents... Andrew Johnson in 1866 and Ronald Reagan in 1988... in vetoing a major civil rights bill. Bush cited fears of quotas in rejecting the bill. An override appears unlikely.

A surrogate mother with NO genetic link to the baby she bore says she'll appeal all the way to the Supreme Court. A judge in Santa Ana, California, yesterday rejected Anna Johnson's claim to parenthood, calling her a ''hereditary stranger'' to the test-tube baby created from the egg and sperm of another couple. The first case of its kind may help re-define motherhood.

Health Secretary Sullivan is asking for help in getting a national consensus on what to do about increasing health care costs. In remarks to a Stanford

University audience this morning, Sullivan asked for help in finding solutions. Sullivan opposes national health insurance... but has NOT offered an alternative, saying he first wants a national consensus on the issue.

The longest recorded volcano eruption in history continues to threaten the homes that remain along a southeastern coast of Hawaii. Spewing lava from the Kilauea volcano destroyed yet another home in an evacuated community yesterday... then oozed closer to other homes. Nearby, scientists are monitoring two other flows. The lava has consumed a total of 180 structures.

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#90296u0709 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 23) UPI - The value of Japan's agricultural output in 1989 grew 5.1 percent over 1988 to $88.41 billion, posting the first year-on-year rise in four years, the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry said Tuesday.

The ministry said income of farmers, including government subsidies, soared 15.3 percent to $36.9 billion.

Rice production was worth $26.13 billion, up 29.2 percent. Vegetable production was valued at $18.6 billion, up 0.8 percent, while fruit output soared 15.7 percent to $7.55 billion, the ministry said.

Reflecting strong demand, production of flowers climbed 10.7 percent to $2.56 billion, the ministry said.

Japan's grain output in 1990 decreased 4.0 percent from a year ago to 1.297 million tons - marking the second straight year-to-year drop - due largely to decreased acerage, the ministry reported.

The ministry said production of wheat, which accounted for 73 percent of the total grain output, dropped 3 percent to 951,500 tons.

Production of barley and oats also declined, the ministry said.

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#90296u0719 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 23) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	sy	71	38	....
Anchorage	cy	40	30	....
Asheville	pc	70	45	1.40
Atlanta	pc	72	52	1.90
Baltimore	r	66	53	.63

Billings pc	57	36	....
Birmingham sy	70	48	1.08
Bismarck sy	55	21	....
Boston r	62	54	.02
Brownsville pc	79	60	....
Buffalo r	57	43	.19
Burlington Vt. r	57	48	.02
Charleston S.C. cy	80	60	.27
Charlotte pc	73	52	3.30
Chicago pc	60	39	....
Cincinnati pc	61	40	.34
Cleveland cy	59	42	.18
Columbus Ohio cy	59	40	.33
Dallas sy	75	40	....
Denver pc	61	32	....
Des Moines pc	65	35	....
Detroit pc	60	39	....
Duluth cy	51	33	....
El Paso sy	77	42	....
Evansville sy	64	38	.04
Fargo sy	53	28	....
Hartford r	62	52	.11
Honolulu sy	89	74	....
Houston pc	74	48	....
Indianapolis sy	62	38	.03
Jackson Miss. sy	71	42	.01
Jacksonville cy	82	61	....
Kansas City sy	65	39	....
Las Vegas sy	79	49	....
Little Rock sy	69	45	....
Los Angeles sy	84	60	....
Louisville sy	64	41	.42
Memphis sy	70	46	.21
Miami Beach pc	88	74	....
Milwaukee pc	61	38	....
Minneapolis pc	59	35	....
Nashville pc	67	42	.70
New Orleans pc	72	51	.03
New York r	68	55	.06
Oklahoma City sy	71	44	....
Omaha sy	64	35	....
Orlando pc	88	69	.53
Philadelphia r	65	56	.11
Phoenix sy	90	63	....
Pittsburgh sh	59	44	.45
Portland Me. r	59	51	.01
Portland Ore. cy	62	47	....
Providence r	62	53	.01

Richmond r	68	54	1.02
St. Louis sy	65	41	....
Salt Lake City pc	60	38	....
San Antonio f	76	49	....
San Diego sy	78	56	....
San Francisco f	76	52	....
San Juan pc	87	76	....
Seattle pc	60	48	....
Spokane pc	52	34	....
Tampa pc	87	69	....
Washington r	68	57	.80
Wichita pc	70	42	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90296u0761 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (OCT. 23) UPI - Hard-line government propagandists Tuesday breathed fresh fire into waning social-control campaigns, railing anew at the so-called ''six evils'' and extolling a major crackdown on crime.

The prominent mass media campaigns suggested conservatives were consolidating their grip on government propaganda at the expense of relative moderates, including propaganda chief Li Ruihuan.

For example, a rambling anti-pornography speech delivered to a national meeting Monday and published in Tuesday's People's Daily was written not by Li but by Liu Zhongde, a new voice in the Communist Party Central Committee's powerful propaganda department.

Chinese sources said Li has waged a losing battle to maintain his influence in communist propaganda, which the party and government blares constantly in an

attempt to mold popular opinion and public behavior.

Li was snubbed last summer when a prominent culture newspaper published the propaganda views of dozens of key communist leaders but failed to include his.

An investigation of the affair ordered by Li was scuttled by powerful conservative rivals, the sources said.

In the new propaganda blitz, state-run newspapers, television and radio gave broad coverage to the Beijing conference called ''Sweep Away Pornography'' and to another meeting held to renew the nationwide ''Hit Hard'' anti-crime campaign begun last May.

Both meetings resurrected one of the noisiest social-control campaigns of the past year, the drive against the so-called ''six evils'' - prostitution, pornography, abduction of women and children, illegal drugs, gambling and superstition.

In his speech, Liu said the anti-pornography drive would not affect China's decade-old social and cultural opening to the world, but he nevertheless warned against an influx of ''social and cultural garbage.''

''China has opened a window that has ushered in fresh air as well as flies and mosquitos,'' Liu said. ''It is good to have fresh air and the window should remain open, but flies and mosquitoes should be wiped out.''

''Illicit books and magazines pollute the social environment and could work to ruin the future of the state and nation,'' he added.

Liu said 32 million pornographic publications and 2.4 million ''yellow'' audio and video tapes had been destroyed in the ongoing anti- pornography campaign.

The order to renew China's sweeping and sometimes brutal drive against crime was issued at the ''Hit Hard'' campaign meeting by senior Communist Party leader Qiao Shi, China's security boss.

Qiao repeated the familiar official line that while the crackdown has succeeded in stabilizing China since the crushing of last year's pro-democracy ''rebellion,'' the security situation nevertheless is ''severe.''

''We have won big successes, stopping many kinds of crime with the aim of maintaining social security,'' Qiao said. ''But we must see clearly that the stability of these few months resulted from the 'Hit Hard' struggle and will not necessarily continue.''

Officials at the conference said 796,000 criminal cases had been cracked since the campaign began in May, 156,000 of which were rated serious. Newspapers have carried frequent accounts of swift criminal trials, with many criminals

executed immediately upon conviction.

But the officials said the ''Hit Hard'' campaign had not produced a precipitous drop in crime and should be extended to combat a spate of hijackings, murders, robbery and other violent crimes.

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#90296u0762 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

HAMBURG, Germany (OCT. 23) UPI - Germany is likely this year to again replace the United States as the world's biggest exporting nation, the head of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade said today.

Top GATT official Arthur Dunkel said global economic strength depends on a free trading system, and Germany therefore has special responsibilities in the troubled Uruguay Round trade liberalization talks.

The negotiations are scheduled to end Dec. 7 but are deadlocked over agriculture with Germany in particular resisting a European Community offer to reduce huge farm export subsidies as the United States and other nations have demanded.

Dunkel did not refer to the German position as such in his speech to the business Overseas Club in Hamburg but he did say ''massive use of export subsidies'' must be curtailed.

Reforming agricultural trade is a ''critical'' part of the Uruguay Round but ''five weeks away from the end we are nowhere near this goal,'' Dunkel said.

He noted Germany replaced the United States in 1986 as the world's biggest exporting nation and held the position in 1987 and 1988, with the United States moving back into the top spot in 1989.

''My instinct is that when the data for 1990 are available we shall see Germany in (the) top place,'' Dunkel said.

''Such a performance would not be possible without the stable conditions of competition that only an open, liberal multilateral trading system can provide. And leadership has not only its glories but also its responsibilities.''

As the world's basic trade regulatory system, GATT provides the framework for the Uruguay Round, which began in 1986. The talks also are is deadlocked on the services and textiles sectors as well as agriculture.

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#90296u0768 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - The money-losing federal crop insurance program, a disappointment for the past decade, would have to improve its financial performance under a bill being sent to President Bush.

The bill, which appropriates $52.1 billion for the Agriculture Department and related agenices for fiscal 1991, allows crop insurance to remain in operation if it is ''at least 75 percent actuarially sound.''

In addition, another Agriculture Department agency would be in control of sales and loss adjustments.

Half of the money in the agriculture appropriations bill would go to public food programs, including $19 billion for food stamps, $5.6 billion for school lunches and other child nutrition programs, and $2.35 billion for the Women, Infants and Children food program.

The House and Senate passed the bill on voice votes Monday, sending it to the White House for Bush's signature. The legislation was a compromise between House and Senate proposals.

Despite recent increases in farmer participation, enrollment in the crop insurance program is lower than anticipated when the program was reorganized a decade ago. It swallows an average of $500 million in subsidies each year but has not dissuaded Congress from enacting special disaster-relief laws whenever there is widespread crop failure.

The Bush administration proposed termination of the program with this fall's harvest but Congress refused, although it could not agree how to reform the program.

In addition to the instructions in the appropriation bill, the farm policy bill awaiting final congressional approval calls for the first steps toward reform of crop insurance. It includes higher premiums, wider offering of coverage and requiring insurance companies to carry more of the risk on policies.

At present, the government subsidizes 30 percent of the premiums paid by farmers.

Chairman Jamie Whitten, D-Miss., of the Appropriations Committee said he wanted to see the program run more efficiently. Last summer, Whitten's committee led a House-approved attempt to effectively shut down the program unless it was reformed.

''We are not against it. ... We went along with it and hope it will work again '' Whitten said.

Overall, the agriculture appropriations bill would spend $6.9 billion more

than the fiscal 1990 appropriation, mostly due to increased funding for nutrition programs. Nonetheless, it would be within budget guidelines for this year. It rebuffs an administration proposal by providing $974 million for food assistance in Puerto Rico. The adminstration wanted to transfer the program to the Health and Human Services Department.

The Export Enhancement Program, the major U.S. export subsidy program, would be scaled back to $475 million, down $75 million, and the Target Export Assistance Program held to $175 million, down $25 million.

Rep. Silvio Conte, R-Mass., in complaining about earmarking of money for special projects, cited an allocation of $500,000 to restore band leader Lawrence Welk's birthplace near Strasburg, N.D.

''What will they do for an encore? Restore Artie Shaw's wedding tuxedo?'' Conte asked.

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#90296u0777 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

OTTAWA (OCT. 23) UPI - The Canadian dollar opened slightly higher on international markets Tuesday, hours after Finance Minister Michael Wilson said the country is in an economic recession.

Wilson told a Parliamentary finance committee late Monday night he has seen some third-quarter statistics that indicate a further decline in output.''However, we do not expect this to be a severe recession,'' he added.

Despite Wilson's admission, the first time he has used the word recession to describe economic activity, the Canadian dollar opened at 85.23 cents Tuesday, up slightly from Monday's close of 85.07 cents.

Gross domestic product declined in the second quarter of 1990. A decline in the third quarter would meet the technical definition of a recession. ''That appears to be what we are in right now,'' he said.

He said Canada had 7 1/2 years of very strong growth after the last recession in 1981-82.

The economic slowdown has been compounded by major work stoppages, the crisis in the Middle East and the weakening U.S. economy, Wilson said, adding he hoped to reveal plans for dealing with the recession at a meeting in December of provincial and federal finance ministers.

Wilson also said he expected the economy to recover by next spring.

His optimism contrasted sharply with a report issued Monday by the Royal Bank of Canada that indicated the recession could last as long as a year.

The bank's chief economist, Edward Neufeld, said consumers could not expect any increase in their standard of living for the next year or so and should concentrate on trying to keep their jobs.

Neufeld also predicted unemployment would rise to 9 percent during the height of the recession, substantially below the 1981-82 figure, from its current 8.4 percent.

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BERLIN (OCT. 23) UPI - The trust fund agency in charge of privatizing the 8,000 formerly state-run East German companies has to date converted 200 businesses, an agency director said Tuesday.

Within the next two years, the agency expects to determine which companies can be privatized and which would remain federal or state properties, said agency director Birgit Breuel in an interview with Berlin radio.

Breuel said investments in the eastern German economy will also open eastern European markets to western companies.

''Those who invest today in the five new German states also know that they are opening the door to Poland, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria and the Soviet Union,'' she said.

She said it is essential to transform the companies into competitive participants in the free market.

The trust fund agency - Treuhandanstalt - was established as part of the economic and monetary union between the two German states, which went into effect July 1 and in advance of Oct. 3 unification.

Ever since the East German market opened to imports, local companies have had trouble competing with high-quality western goods and investors hesitated to enter joint ventures or buy the firms close to bankruptcy.

The agency has been widely criticized for failing to attract investors, and its first chairman, Rainer Gohlke, resigned after three months on the job.

''The situation is worse than I had assumed,'' said Gohlke when he took over the agency in July.

''We have chaos, nothing works normally, one falls from one ditch into another '' he said.

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#90296u0821 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 23) UPI - Loud explosions, thick smoke and massive insect deaths.

Those are the warning signs of an Iraqi chemical attack, according to a booklet being distributed in Saudi Arabia by civil defense authorities on the proper use of gas masks.

The booklet says citizens should don their masks immediately if they hear a series of explosions, accompanied by thick smoke, massive insect deaths and oil stains, the English-language Riyadh Daily reported Tuesday.

Saudi officials have previously said they are buying about 3 million masks to guard against the possibility Iraq might be tempted to use some of its chemical weapons against civilian targets. There has been no word on when or how the masks would be distributed.

Authorities in Israel have started distributing gas masks to all citizens because of threats from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, who said he would ''burn'' half the Jewish state with his chemical weapons.

The masks were not provided to Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, who do not pay Israeli income taxes. The government said it would sell masks to the Palestinians.

Arab citizens of Israel, however, are entitled to the gas masks and hundreds of people from mostly Arab East Jerusalem came to pick up the chemical weapons protection kits Tuesday, ignoring leaflets issued by the underground Palestinian leadership ordering a boycott of Israeli civil defense measures.

U.S. soldiers stationed in Saudi Arabia have each been issued special full-body suits to protect against a chemical attack. They also carry syringes to inject themselves with an agent to neutralize the effects of poisonous gas.

The booklet published by Saudi Arabia's Civil Defense Directorate said the agency could help with putting out fires, provide first aid and offer housing and food if necessary.

But the pamphlet adds, ''It cannot dig trenches, or build shelters in every house, or turn off the lights in every home or carry out hundreds of the simple duties you should do to protect your family and belongings.

''All of you are the civil defense because you protect yourself, family and country,'' the pamphlet says.

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#90296u0840 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - The House ethics panel directed Rep. Donald Lukens R-Ohio, convicted last year for having sex with a teenage girl, to appear Tuesday to answer fresh allegations of sexual misconduct.

The House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, which conducted a preliminary investigation into the earlier charges against Lukens, said in a statement Monday that since that inquiry ''the committee has received additional evidence indicating that Rep. Lukens may have made unwanted and unsolicited sexual advances to a congressional employee.''

The 12-member committee also stripped Lukens, 59, of some of his defense rights under House rules and ordered that Lukens appear before the committee Tuesday afternoon.

The panel voted that ''for the purpose of allowing this committee and the ... House to fully consider all issues before it concerning the conduct of Rep. Lukens, that pursuant to Rule 7, all time-frames provided under the committee's standing rules of procedure that apply to any statement of alleged violation that might be issued are hereby waived.''

Lukens' office issued a statement late Monday saying, ''My attorneys have advised me that since little or nothing is known about the new allegations, there will be no comment until we have more information.''

Lukens, who has served in the House from 1967 to 1971 and since 1986, was convicted in May 1989 in Franklin County Juvenile Court in Columbus on a charge of contributing to the unruliness of a minor for having sex with a 16-year-old girl.

Lukens, who did not testify or present any witnesses on his behalf, was sentenced to 30 days in jail, fined $500 and ordered to attend counseling for sex offenders.

The conviction was upheld by an appeals court and is now before the Ohio Supreme Court.

He refused repeated demands from Republican Party leaders that he resign, but he was defeated in a bid for re-election in the primary election in May, finishing a distant third in a four-man race.

In Columbus, Ohio Republican Party Chairman Robert Bennett again called on Lukens to resign.

''Buz Lukens was defeated in the primary,'' Bennett said. ''We came out and asked him to resign a year ago. I think it would be best for all concerned if he had resigned.

''I think it's unfortunate that we have now another incident, assuming that to be true, and this is the first I've heard of it. I think that is unfortunate and I would again encourage Buz Lukens to resign his office.''

Lukens, a hardline conservative from Middletown in southwest Ohio, was once one of the brightest stars in the Republican Party.

As a young conservative, Lukens teamed with Rep. John Ashbrook of Ohio, William Rusher, editor of the National Review, Tennessee businessman William Brock, F. Clifton White of New York and other arch- conservatives to defeat the moderate wing of the Republican Party and nominate Barry Goldwater for president in 1964.

Lukens's 10-year marriage ended in divorce in 1983, and soon thereafter he was battling throat cancer, an ailment that left him scarred at the neck.

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#90296u0864 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 23) UPI - The latest temporary funding authorization holding the federal government together ends tomorrow, and top congressional leaders say they may try to get another stop-gap measure passed to keep the government going. All of this comes as Congress also battles over approving a budget for a fiscal year that began 23 days ago. The talks ended late yesterday with NO agreement reached.

A chartered Boeing jumbo jet carrying doctors, nurses and medical equipment is heading for Baghdad today to pick up some 64 sick and elderly British and Americans held hostage in Iraq. They are being freed after an appeal by former British prime minister Sir Edward Heath. The Virgin Airways evacuation flight is expected to arrive back in London early tomorrow. .

A top Saudi Arabian official who seemed to be saying that Kuwait should give Iraq two Persian Gulf islands in exchange for peace says he was misinterpreted. The Saudi defense minister made the reference to two islands that Iraq tried to lease for decades before it launched the August invasion. But the Saudi official said today that he was misinterpreted and believes Iraq should withdraw from all Kuwaiti territory.

In Paris, French officials announced they were sending 500 more troops to the multi-national force in the Persian Gulf. The new deployment will increase to 55-hundred the number of French troops in the multi-national force.

Opposition parties in Japan are boycotting a parliamentary debate about sending Japanese troops to the Persian Gulf area. The post-war constitution prohibits Japan from ever sending combat troops to foreign lands. The Japanese government says the force it wants to send to the Persian Gulf will take only NON-combat roles. But opposition has grown over plans to equip the troops with

side-arms for self-defense.

President Bush is in New England today, stumping for Republican congressional candidates, amid slumping polls and a sluggish economy. Bush is making appearances today in Burlington, Vermont... Manchester, New Hampshire, and Waterbury and Stamford, Connecticut. Bush will be campaigning for congressmen who broke with his administration in defeating a deficit-cutting budget package in the House.

Philippine authorities blame the communist New Peoples Army for explosions that rocked two oil company offices in Manila yesterday. There were NO injuries reported, and damage was minimal. The blasts came as the left-leaning Labor Advisory Council prepares for a nation-wide general strike tomorrow to back demands for 29 percent pay hikes. The Communists have announced their full support for the strike.

Controversial Rabbi Meir Kahane was forcibly removed from a stage during a speech last night as he called for the expulsion of all Arabs from Israel and Israeli-occupied territory. A former member of the Israeli parliament, Kahane is a former American who founded the militant Jewish Defense League in the United States. Police removed him from an auditorium at the University of Wisconsin in Madison to prevent trouble with about 100 angry protesters in the hall.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Oct. 23:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	51	10
Amsterdam c	1pm	52	11
Ankara cy	3pm	48	09
Athens cy	2pm	58	14
Auckland cy	12m	63	17
Beijing cy	8pm	64	18
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	50	10
Bonn c	1pm	56	14
Brussels c	1pm	64	18
Cairo c	2pm	87	31
Casablanca pc	12n	73	23
Copenhagen c	1pm	52	11
Dakar c	12n	89	32
Dublin cy	1pm	55	13
Geneva r	1pm	51	10

Helsinki cy	2pm	45	07
Hong Kong cy	8pm	78	26
Jerusalem c	2pm	83	28
Karachi	5pm	-	-
Lisbon cy	1pm	63	17
London cy	1pm	61	16
Madrid cy	1pm	56	13
Malta pc	1pm	77	25
Manila pc	8pm	85	30
Moscow cy	3pm	85	30
Nairobi cy	3pm	72	22
Nassau c	7am	77	25
New Delhi c	6pm	86	30
Nice r	1pm	55	13
Oslo cy	1pm	33	01
Paris pc	1pm	66	19
Pretoria c	2pm	88	31
Riyadh	3pm	94	35
Rome cy	1pm	63	17
Seoul c	9pm	62	17
Sofia cy	2pm	40	04
Stockholm c	1pm	46	08
Sydney c	10pm	61	16
Taipei cy	8pm	76	25
Tokyo cy	9pm	62	17
Tunis pc	1pm	77	25
Vienna c	1pm	48	09
Warsaw c	1pm	46	08
Latin America			
Buenos Aires c	9am	59	15
Caracas cy	8am	72	22
Havana c	7am	74	24
Lima cy	7am	62	17
Mexico City cy	6am	57	14
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	75	24
Santiago hz	8am	52	11
Canada			
Calgary c		48	08
Edmonton c		49	09
Montreal cy		55	12
Ottawa pc		56	13
Regina c		51	10
Toronto cy		56	13
Vancouver cy		54	12
Winnipeg cy		55	12

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90296u0875 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

BERLIN (OCT. 23) UPI - The former East German Communist leadership apparently embezzled millions of dollars West Germany paid over the years to maintain highways into West Berlin, a Berlin daily said Tuesday.

The East German government, ousted last fall in a peaceful revolution, transferred part of about $6 billion it received from West Germany since 1972 into secret bank accounts, the Berliner Morgenpost said, citing a government report.

For 17 years until 1989, Bonn paid the Stalinist East German government led by Erich Honecker an annual fee of $345 million to maintain the three highways leading to West Berlin.

But the report showed that between 1986 and 1989, the East German government only used between 330 million and 420 million in East German marks a year to keep up the roads, the newpaper said. The East mark, virtually worthless and not convertible, was replaced by the strong West German mark July 1 ahead of German unification on Oct. 3.

The report said the government tried to cover up for the embezzlement of the transit funds through an obscure bookkeeping system, which was only known to ''a small group of insiders in the East German Finance Ministry.''

It said the East German Finance Ministry would illegally ''top-up the state budget'' with the transit funds.

The 1971 transit agreement between East and West Germany, which was part of West German Chancellor Willy Brandt's approachment to Eastern Europe - explicitly stated the funds should only be used for maintaining the highways.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-85.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 130.00-131.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 42.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 48.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $225.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $418.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $419.50-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $113.00-$114.17 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 294.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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CONNERSVILLE, IND (OCT. 23) UPI - Stant Inc., a manufacturer of automotive parts, Tuesday asked the International Trade Commission to issue an order stopping the importation and sale of some foreign-made fuel and radiator caps that the company contends infringe on its patents.

Stant's complaint, filed under Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, names as respondents Gin Seng Industrial Co. Ltd. of Tainan, Taiwan, which makes and

exports fuel and radiator caps which Stant said are copies of its protected products. Also named in the complaint are Chieftan Automotive Products of North Augusta, S.C.; Pic 'N Save Stores of Jacksonville, Fla., and Transworld Products, Inc. of Shawnee Mission, Kan., which Stant contends sell the products Gin Seng makes.

Stant, based in Connersville, also contends that certain promotional materials Gin Seng distributed in the United States with its products infringe on Stant's federally registered trademarks and copyrights.

Stant President David R. Paridy said his company sought ITC action not only to protect and enforce the company's property rights, but because the foreign products are of inferior quality and are being confused with Stant products.

Paridy said Stant's action will help prevent erosion of U.S. jobs and protect the domestic industry for the products his company makes.

The Tariff Act states in part it is illegal for persons to engage in unfair methods of competition, including infringing on U.S. patents, trademarks or copyrights, when importing or selling foreign-made products in the United States.

Stant's attorney, Alan R. Malasky of Washington, D.C., said the ITC, in Washington, has 30 days to determine whether it will institute formal proceedings against the respondents. A final ruling could come within a year, Malasky said.

Stant manufactures fuel and radiator caps involved in the ITC proceeding at its Pine Bluff, Ark., factory. The company also produces fuel and radiator caps at its Connersville plant.

In addition to the fuel and radiator caps, Stant manufactures automotive thermostats and is a major supplier of automotive heating and cooling system components. The company also designs on-board vapor recovery systems used to capture automotive emissions during refueling.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (OCT. 23) UPI - The city School Board plans to argue before the U.S. Supreme Court that mentioning a deity at public school graduations is as acceptable as it is in the Pledge of Allegiance, on U.S. currency, and at government forums.

''We're not talking about a minister, priest or rabbi proffering a prayer of fire and brimstone,'' board lawyer Joseph Rotella said Tuesday. ''We're talking about something very nonsectarian. Where a prayer is the periphery element, there are cases that say it is not in violation of the separation of

church and state.''

Rotella's assessment of the situation differed greatly from that of Steven Brown, director of the Rhode Island chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union.

''The basic point is that government should not be involved in sponsoring religion,'' Brown said, adding the the ACLU will file a brief asking the Supreme Court not to review the case.

''Whether it is directly offensive to a religious minority, the mere use of prayer in such a setting offends beliefs about how and when prayers should be given.''

The board voted without dissent Monday night to have the high court review the ruling of a federal judge in Rhode Island, who said the mention of a deity in public school graduation openings and closings violates the constitutional separation between church and state.

Last January, U.S. District Judge Francis Boyle barred the School Department from having mentions of ''God'' or any other deity at graduations this year and the 1st U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals agreed with him.

Some at Monday night's meeting questioned the wisdom of spending the time and money to appeal the decision when the likelihood of success appears slim.

But Rotella said the issue is a hot and contentious one in many states, including Utah, which has offered the School Board its support.

''It's a grey area that some definitive statement from the court might help solve,'' said Rotella, who estimates the appeal will cost $30,000 to $50,000.

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#90296u0904 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - The leaves are falling, mornings are darker, the air is crisper and that means just one thing - daylight-saving time is at an end and it's time to change your clocks and ''fall back'' an hour.

The change will come on Oct 28, the last Sunday of the month, and clocks should be set back one hour at 2 a.m. local time, ending the 7- month-long period of brighter evenings and giving most people an extra hour of sleep.

And, as you change your clock, your local fire department wants you to change the batteries on your smoke detectors as well.

The International Association of Fire Chiefs, the American Burn Association and the Eveready Battery Company, who are promoting the campaign to link

changing the clocks and changing smoke detector batteries in the public mind, said that each year as many as 6,000 people die and 130,00 are injured in home fires.

Although nearly 80 percent of all homes have at least one smoke detector, as many as half are useless because their batteries are old or dead.

In the effort to link the two changes, fire departments across the country - from Atlanta to Los Angeles, and Marinette, Wis., to Failmont, Okla. - will wage a nationwide door-to-door canvas on Saturday, Oct. 27., to check and change smoke detector batteries in high fire-risk neighborhoods.

The seven months of daylight-saving time now observed is based around the idea of providing an equal amount of extra evening sunlight on either side of the hotest days of the year, generally in late July.

It has not always been so, and not everyone in the United States observes the practice.

For instance, Hawaii, Arizona, the Eastern Time Zone part of Indiana, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and American Samoa are excluded from having to make the change.

Historically, the idea of juggling the hour hand about to adjust personal schedules to the longer and shorter days can be traced to Benjamin Franklin, who wrote a paper while serving as the U.S. envoy to France recommending that shops be opened and closed earlier during summer months to cut the costs of providing lighting.

William Willett began urging the adoption of daylight-saving time in England and during World War I it was adopted by England, France, Germany and a few other nations.

The United States took up the concept late in the war when President Wilson, on March 31, 1918, signed legislation promoted by Robert Garland of Pittsburgh. However, it was repealed the following year.

In the United States the practice was revived in World War II, and in 1966 the Uniform Time Act provided for the first nationwide observance of daylight-saving time during peacetime.

During the energy crisis of 1973 and 1974 the nation went to daylight-saving time year-round to conserve energy, but standard time was reinstated late in 1974 for the four-month winter period with the fewest hours of daylight.

Always a controversial issue, a study by the Department of Transportation - which has responsibility for administering the law because of the one-time need for standardized railroad schedules - has shown the practice enhances the

public safety.

The study, done during the energy crisis of 1973-74, indicated a 1.5 percent to 2 percent reduction in March and April highway traffic deaths without any increase in hazards to early morning travelers.

It showed a 6 million barrel savings in oil use for March and April.

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#90296u0935 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

BERLIN (OCT. 23) UPI - Former East German school teachers who escaped to the west must repeat teachers' exams, while those who stayed and served under communism are allowed to continue working in unified Germany, a Berlin newspaper said Tuesday.

Although East and West Germany united on Oct. 3, the country remains divided for school teachers.

Teachers from formerly East Germany who want to teach in what used to be West Germany have to complete two-year assistantships followed by a state exam.

But those who choose to stay in the eastern part of Germany are allowed to continue teaching there. Only a year ago, they were still teaching under the Stalinist leadership of Erich Honecker.

''Those who turned their backs on the Communist regime at great personal cost are now being punished for their courage and logic,'' said Manfred Meyer, 45, a physical education teacher who emigrated from East to West Germany.

''After months of unemployment, I have to pass my second set of teachers' exams at the age of 45,'' Meyer said.

An estimated 300 teachers from East Germany will have to take exams to teach in western Germany, the Berliner Morgenpost newspaper said.

Government officials said the policy was designed to keep teachers from deserting the new part of Germany to work in the west, a problem that would strongly affect Berlin.

''We want to prevent a storm of ex-East German teachers from coming to the schools in the west part of the city,'' said Stefan Woll, a speaker of the West Berlin Senate. Berlin retains separate governments until Dec. 2 local elections.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 23) UPI - A 47-year-old heart transplant patient died after he received a heart with the wrong blood type, officials said Tuesday.

The man, who was not identified, had type O blood and received a heart from a person with type A blood, said Dr. Robert Emery, director of heart transplantation for Abbott Northwestern and the Minneapolis Heart Institute.

The man's blood type was listed incorrectly on a transplant matching computer, he said.

Emery said he prefers to give patients with type O blood only hearts from type O donors to reduce the risk of rejection. People with type O blood are universal donors but not universal receivers.

The transplant was performed Oct. 11 and for seven days the anti- rejection drugs seemed to control the mismatch. Then, within a few hours, the patient's body turned on the heart and destroyed it as foreign tissue, Emery said. The man died last Friday.

Laboratory personnel discovered that the patient actually had type O blood shortly after the new heart began functioning in the man's chest. The survival rate when hearts from type A donors are transplanted into type O recipients is not more than 60 percent, Emery said. Otherwise the likelihood of survival would have been closer to 100 percent.

Emery said the man's family was notified immediately of what had happened. Doctors put out a call for a second heart but none became available, he said.

Because of kidney failure, the man was not eligible for an artificial heart to carry him until a properly matched heart became available.

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#90296u0951 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

AMMAN, JORDAN (OCT. 23) UPI - A leading Jordanian charity organization Tuesday accused the U.N. Security Council's sanctions committee of purposely delaying approval for a shipment of food and medicine to Iraq.

The General Union of Voluntary Societies made the criticism one week after the Jordanian government issued a blanket order against all shipments to Iraq in order to counter criticisms it was flouting the international boycott against Baghdad.

The charity previously sent three shipments of food and medicine since the U.N. sanctions were imposed in response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, but the Jordanian government said all future shipment would first need specific U.N. approval.

The group, a mother organization for such charities, said in a news release Tuesday the U.N. sanctions committee, established to resolve questions about the embargo, has not replied to its request filed one week earlier.

''We notice that the technical measures concerning children's food and medicine to Iraq imposed by the Security Council are attempts to obstruct the right of the children to food and medication,'' the statement said.

The charity accused the Security Council of breaching agreements of the Geneva Convention of 1949 by using food and medicine as a basic component of U.N. Security Council Resolution 661, which imposed the embargo on Iraq.

''It is obvious that this trend contradicts international law and human rights '' the statement said.

Resolution 661 banned shipments to Iraq and Kuwait ''but not including supplies intended strictly for medical purposes, in humanitarian circumstances foodstuffs ... .''

The Jordanian government stopped the latest shipment by the organization on Oct. 14, only two hours before the convoy of 16 trucks was to leave Amman with its cargo of donations from individuals and institutions intended for Iraqi children.

Since Saturday, the government of Jordan has stopped all trucks carrying any supplies to Iraq, including food and medicine, from leaving the country.

The English-language daily Jordan Times on Tuesday quoted a security official as saying only empty trucks with authorization to bring back Jordanian expatriates' household goods and other personal effects were allowed to cross the border to Iraq.

The official said only oil was allowed to come to Jordan from Iraq as a repayment of debts to Jordan and that there was U.N. approval.

Two shipments of medicine were stopped from crossing the border into Iraq last weekend for the first time since sanctions were imposed on the country.

But according to a source at a pharmaceutical manufacturer whose shipments were stopped, Prime Minister Mudar Badran verbally agreed Tuesday to permit medicine shipments to Iraq after he agreed Resolution 661 excluded medicine from the embargo.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - NFL STATISTICS

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

Offense

	tot.	rush	pass
Houston	2595	543	2052
Denver	2431	895	1536
Kansas City	2344	879	1465
Cincinnati	2326	817	1509
New York	2284	949	1335
Seattle	2137	839	1298
San Diego	2082	947	1135
Los Angeles	2060	811	1249
Buffalo	1921	727	1194
Cleveland	1855	510	1345
Miami	1832	588	1244
Pittsburgh	1726	636	1090
Indianapolis	1639	376	1263
New England	1606	456	1150

Defense

	tot.	rush	pass
Miami	1479	461	1018
Pittsburgh	1800	686	1114
Buffalo	1882	788	1094
Los Angeles	1888	666	1222
Houston	1928	611	1317
San Diego	2045	697	1348
Cleveland	2073	896	1177
Kansas City	2099	828	1271
New England	2101	736	1365
Seattle	2171	680	1491
Indianapolis	2173	664	1509
New York	2422	961	1461
Denver	2430	713	1717
Cincinnati	2657	736	1921

NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

Offense

	tot.	rush	pass
San Francisco	2348	499	1849
Los Angeles	2253	588	1665
Tampa Bay	2247	834	1413
Atlanta	2131	465	1666
Philadelphia	2053	721	1332
Minnesota	1976	727	1249
Washington	1974	746	1228
Chicago	1908	989	919
New York	1893	721	1172
Green Bay	1890	508	1382

Detroit	1878	712	1166
New Orleans	1779	582	1197
Phoenix	1652	804	848
Dallas	1550	549	1001

Defense

	tot.	rush	pass
New York	1442	478	964
Chicago	1517	548	969
Philadelphia	1693	466	1227
Washington	1809	539	1270
San Francisco	1815	436	1379
Phoenix	1828	775	1053
New Orleans	1844	558	1286
Minnesota	1878	865	1013
Green Bay	2029	832	1197
Dallas	2145	881	1264
Tampa Bay	2276	820	1456
Los Angeles	2292	659	1633
Detroit	2311	1006	1305
Atlanta	2343	432	1911

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

Scoring

Touchdowns	td	rush	rec	ret	pts
Fenner, Sea	8	7	1	0	48
Brooks, Cin	6	2	4	0	36
Smith, Mia	6	6	0	0	36
Givins, Hou	5	0	5	0	30
Green, Pitt	5	0	5	0	30
White, Hou	5	2	3	0	30
Allen, LA	4	4	0	0	24
Baxter, NY	4	4	0	0	24
Bentley, Ind	4	3	1	0	24
Brown, Cin	4	0	4	0	24
Holman, Cin	4	0	4	0	24
Humphrey, Den	4	4	0	0	24
Jackson, Den	4	1	3	0	24
AMiller, SD	4	0	4	0	24
Okoye, KC	4	4	0	0	24

Kicking	ep-a	fg-a	lg	pts
Breech, Cin	21-21	13-14	46	60
Lowery, KC	18-18	13-16	44	57
Treadwell, Den	19-19	11-16	44	52
Leahy, NY	14-14	12-13	47	50
Johnson, Sea	15-16	11-16	51	48

Norwood, Buf	16-18	10-16	48	46
Zendejas, Hou	20-21	7-12	45	41
Jaeger, LA	18-18	7-9	49	39
Staurovsky, NE	9-9	9-12	53	36
Anderson, Pitt	11-11	8-10	46	35
Stoyanovich, Mia	14-14	7-7	51	35

Passing	att	cmp	pct	yds	td	int
Schroeder, LA	144	83	57.6	1335	8	3
Moon, Hou	288	173	60.1	2106	17	9
Kelly, Buf	173	108	62.4	1243	10	6
DeBerg, KC	211	117	55.5	1588	9	3
O'Brien, NY	201	112	55.7	1475	6	3
Esiason, Cin	196	112	57.1	1556	13	11
Trudeau, Ind	141	81	57.4	1059	6	6
Elway, Den	228	127	55.7	1624	6	6
Brister, Pitt	165	97	58.8	1111	7	7
Krieg, Sea	199	120	60.3	1426	7	10

Pass Receivers

Receptions	no	yds	avg	td
Williams, Sea	36	316	8.8	0
Givins, Hou	35	515	14.7	5
Paige, KC	33	528	16.0	2
Hill, Hou	33	467	14.2	3
Jeffires, Hou	31	338	10.9	2
Duncan, Hou	31	325	10.5	0
Fernandez, LA	30	548	18.3	3
Johnson, Den	30	468	15.6	0
AMiller, SD	29	444	15.3	4
Reed, Buf	29	357	12.3	3

Yards	yds	no	avg	td
Fernandez, LA	548	30	18.3	3
Paige, KC	528	33	16.0	2
Givins, Hou	515	35	14.7	5
Johnson, Den	468	30	15.6	0
Hill, Hou	467	33	14.2	3
Jackson, Den	459	28	16.4	3
AMiller, SD	444	29	15.3	4
Gault, LA	437	24	18.2	2
McGee, Cin	422	22	19.2	0
Hester, Ind	407	23	17.7	2

Interceptions	no	yds	lg	td
Hurst, NE	4	61	36	0
Lippett, NE	3	81	73	0
Ross, KC	3	64	40	0

RJohnson, Hou	3	54	t30	1
Anderson, LA	3	49	31	0
Byrd, SD	3	34	21	0
Marion, NE	3	17	16	0
Dishman, Hou	3	8	8	0

Rushing	att	yds	avg	lg	td
Butts, SD	121	581	4.8	42	3
Humphrey, Den	112	573	5.1	t37	4
Okoye, KC	145	515	3.6	32	4
Fenner, Sea	97	432	4.5	28	7
Thomas, Buf	76	429	5.6	60	1
Allen, LA	81	340	4.2	28	4
Williams, Sea	85	332	3.9	22	2
Hoge, Pitt	93	326	3.5	20	1
Stephens, NE	90	326	3.6	22	1
Smith, Mia	86	318	3.7	27	6

Punting	no	lg	avg	blk	x-net
GrMontgomery, Hou	18	60	46.2	0	35.7
Horan, Den	24	58	43.9	1	38.4
Stark, Ind	21	55	43.8	1	36.2
Hansen, NE	30	69	42.7	1	34.6
Donnelly, Sea	22	49	41.9	0	33.3
Johnson, Cin	28	70	41.4	0	35.4
Prokop, NY	27	58	41.3	0	34.4
Kidd, SD	25	59	40.2	1	35.5
Roby, Mia	27	59	40.2	0	34.5
Barker, KC	20	50	39.3	0	33.7

x-net (team efficiency) - Total punt yards minus return yards, minus 20 yards for each punt over goal-line divided by total attempts including punts blocked.

Punt Returns	no	yds	avg	lg	td
Woodson, Pitt	15	158	10.5	t52	1
Price, Cin	17	179	10.5	t66	1
Townsell, NY	9	88	9.8	16	0
TBrown, LA	13	119	9.2	39	0
Worthen, KC	17	150	8.8	37	0
Martin, Mia	18	125	6.9	35	0
McNeil, Hou	11	48	4.4	10	0

Kickoff Returns	no	yds	avg	lg	td
DSmith, Buf	13	299	23.0	38	0
RBrown, LA	9	203	22.6	34	0
Warren, Sea	12	262	21.8	71	0
Worthen, KC	10	215	21.5	32	0
Martin, NE	14	295	21.1	38	0

Woodson, Pitt	14	281	20.1	30	0
Metcalf, Cle	24	461	19.2	t98	1
Mathis, NY	20	374	18.7	32	0
Grant, Ind	15	280	18.7	29	0
Simmons, Ind	16	291	18.2	34	0

Sacks
Cross, Mia 8.0
Francis, Cin 7.0
BSmith, Buf 7.0
DThomas, KC 7.0
Grossman, SD 6.0
Townsend, LA 6.0
Perry, Cle 5.0
Porter, Sea 5.0
Wallace, LA 5.0
Childress, Hou 4.5
Fuller, Hou 4.5
O'Neal, SD 4.5
Smith, KC 4.5

NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

Scoring

Touchdowns	td	rush	rec	ret	pts
Anderson, Chi	8	6	2	0	48
Rice, SF	8	0	8	0	48
Rison, Atl	8	0	8	0	48
BSanders, Det	7	5	2	0	42
Anderson, NY	5	5	0	0	30
GAnderson, TB	5	3	2	0	30
Gary, LA	5	5	0	0	30
Clark, Det	4	0	4	0	24
Walker, Min	4	1	3	0	24
Anderson, LA	3	0	3	0	18
Barnett, Phi	3	0	3	0	18
ACarter, Min	3	0	3	0	18
Clark, Was	3	0	3	0	18
Ellard, LA	3	0	3	0	18
HJones, Min	3	0	3	0	18
Mayes, NO	3	3	0	0	18
McGee, LA	3	0	3	0	18
Query, GB	3	0	2	1	18
Riggs, Was	3	3	0	0	18
ESmith, Dal	3	3	0	0	18
Taylor, SF	3	0	3	0	18
West, GB	3	0	3	0	18

Kicking	ep-a	fg-a	lg	pts
Christie, TB	15-15	14-16	54	57
Cofer, SF	17-17	11-16	56	50
Lohmiller, Was	14-14	12-19	55	50
Igwebuike, Min	15-15	11-12	48	48
Butler, Chi	16-16	10-13	52	46
Ruzek, Phi	13-14	11-15	44	46
Davis, Atl	20-20	7-9	51	41
Lansford, LA	20-21	6-10	46	38
Andersen, NO	10-10	9-11	52	37
Del Greco, Phx	7-7	10-12	50	37
Jacke, GB	10-11	9-11	53	37

Passing	att	cmp	pct	yds	td	int
Simms, NY	121	75	62.0	1020	8	1
Montana, SF	229	151	65.9	1949	15	7
Testaverde, TB	162	100	61.7	1464	9	4
Everett, LA	215	121	56.3	1730	14	4
Miller, Atl	201	117	58.2	1585	11	4
Harbaugh, Chi	110	69	62.7	877	5	3
Wilson, Min	88	47	53.4	619	7	3
Rypien, Was	85	42	49.4	578	4	0
Cunningham, Phi	205	120	58.5	1482	9	7
Peete, Det	107	57	53.3	679	5	3

Pass Receivers

Receptions	no	yds	avg	td
Rison, Atl	43	710	16.5	8
Rice, SF	38	605	15.9	8
Byars, Phi	38	387	10.2	0
Ellard, LA	33	569	17.2	3
Clark, Was	29	470	16.2	3
Novacek, Dal	28	297	10.6	2
EMartin, NO	27	467	17.3	2
Sharpe, GB	27	446	16.5	1
HJones, Min	27	443	16.4	3
Rathman, SF	25	154	6.2	0

Yards	yds	no	avg	td
Rison, Atl	710	43	16.5	8
Rice, SF	605	38	15.9	8
Ellard, LA	569	33	17.2	3
Clark, Was	470	29	16.2	3
EMartin, NO	467	27	17.3	2
Anderson, LA	458	18	25.4	3
Sharpe, GB	446	27	16.5	1
HJones, Min	443	27	16.4	3
Taylor, SF	396	20	19.8	3

Byars, Phi	387	38	10.2	0

Interceptions	no	yds	lg	td
Haddix, TB	5	146	t62	2
Stinson, Chi	4	59	30	0
Merriweather, Min	3	102	73	0
Holt, Dal	3	72	t64	1
McDonald, Phx	3	63	38	0
Waymer, SF	3	28	24	0
Green, Was	3	20	t18	1
Jackson, NY	3	3	5	0

Rushing	att	yds	avg	lg	td
Johnson, Phx	123	531	4.3	35	2
Anderson, Chi	105	493	4.7	52	6
BSanders, Det	98	452	4.6	24	5
GAnderson, TB	99	414	4.2	22	3
Byner, Was	85	345	4.1	16	1
Anderson, NY	84	323	3.8	28	5
ESmith, Dal	88	321	3.6	16	3
Cunningham, Phi	49	305	6.2	28	2
Riggs, Was	72	291	4.0	20	3
Broussard, Atl	72	287	4.0	24	2
Gary, LA	63	287	4.6	t23	5

Punting	no	lg	avg	blk	x-net
Landeta, NY	24	56	45.1	0	38.8
Camarillo, Phx	26	56	43.8	0	36.8
Saxon, Dal	37	58	43.6	0	38.9
Arnold, Det	22	58	43.0	0	36.6
Royals, TB	30	62	42.5	0	37.3
Fulhage, Atl	27	59	42.3	0	36.3
Feagles, Phi	28	60	41.5	0	35.5
Barnhardt, NO	23	54	41.4	1	34.7
Mojsiejenko, Was	19	53	41.3	0	36.0
English, LA	24	58	41.3	0	33.3

x-net (team efficiency) - Total punt yards minus return yards, minus 20 yards for each punt over goal-line divided by total attempts including punts blocked.

Punt Returns	no	yds	avg	lg	td
Meggett, NY	14	202	14.4	t68	1
Query, GB	18	197	10.9	25	0
Gray, Det	16	166	10.4	39	0
Sutton, LA	12	122	10.2	22	0
Sikahema, Phx	13	125	9.6	20	0
Taylor, SF	11	100	9.1	30	0
Bailey, Chi	16	145	9.1	15	0
Stanley, Was	14	113	8.1	23	0

Hargrove, Phi	10	71	7.1	13	0
Drewrey, TB	11	76	6.9	16	0

Kickoff Returns	no	yds	avg	lg	td
Gray, Det	14	382	27.3	65	0
Meggett, NY	12	271	22.6	33	0
Mitchell, Was	10	216	21.6	37	0
Fenerty, NO	15	314	20.9	58	0
Wilson, GB	13	270	20.8	29	0
Walker, Min	15	311	20.7	40	0
Sanders, Atl	16	330	20.6	26	0
Sikahema, Phx	10	204	20.4	27	0
Cobb, TB	10	203	20.3	45	0
Berry, LA	12	239	19.9	29	0

Sacks
Haley, SF 8.0
White, Phi 7.0
Armstrong, Chi 5.0
Dent, Chi 5.0
Thomas, TB 5.0
Nunn, Phx 4.5
Randle, TB 4.5
Taylor, NY 4.5
Harvey, Phx 4.0
THarris, GB 4.0

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - Despite drug awareness lectures from parents, teachers, bumper stickers and commercials, a national survey of fifth and sixth graders released Tuesday reveals the message is still not getting through to many.

The telephone poll of 250 fifth graders and 250 sixth graders was conducted by Drug Abuse Resistance Education, or D.A.R.E., a project sponsored by Kentucky Fried Chicken. The results were ''alarming,'' the report said.

''The sad fact is,'' Robert Bonner, head of the Drug Enforcement Administration, said at a news conference, ''that by the seventh and eighth grade, kids in our society are already exposed to drug peddlers.''

D.A.R.E.'s national chairperson Tempestt Bledsoe, who plays Vanessa Huxtable on NBC's ''The Cosby Show,'' said the television and movie industry does a poor job of showing children resisting drugs.

''It's time for the entertainment industry to be responsible for its own

actions and just not say (their programs) reflect society,'' said the actress, who is also a New York University freshman.

Bledsoe said she finds it ''irresponsible'' for prime-time television shows to portray young people ''wondering where their next keg is.''

The poll showed that fifth and sixth graders apparently do not have to wonder where to find drugs, if they so desire.

One out of five youngsters in both age groups said they had seen drugs or alcohol at school, the shopping mall or where they hang out. Beer and cigarettes were the most commonly seen substances, but marijuana, cocaine and crack and other types of alcohol were recognized. One percent of fifth graders said they saw ''ice,'' a potent methamphetamine.

Along those lines, 34 percent of fifth graders and half of the sixth graders said they have seen or heard of a youngster or group of kids at their school who have either smoked cigarettes, drunk beer or liquor or used drugs.

One out of 10 kids said they would know where to find drugs if they wanted to use them - 11 percent of fifth graders and 8 percent of sixth graders.

However, just 2 percent of fifth graders and 4 percent of sixth graders said they actually had been offered drugs, such as marijuana. Eight percent of fifth graders and 14 percent of sixth graders said they had been offered alcoholic beverages.

More than half of the students were able to correctly describe cocaine, crack and marijuana, although the question did not ask if their knowledge was from classroom education or personal experience.

Students overwhelmingly expressed negative attitudes toward trying or using marijuana and other drugs. They also described the behavior of people on drugs in negative terms - 30 percent thought drug users act ''weird'' and 14 percent said they seem ''crazy.''

One-third of the students said they probably will have tried alcohol at least once by the time they enter high school, 21 percent expected to sample smoking by that time and 7 percent reported they probably will have dabbled in drugs at least once.

The interviews revealed peer pressure plays a role in a child's use of drugs or alcohol.

Glenn Levant, Los Angeles deputy police chief and director of D.A.R.E., said the best way to arm a child against those pressures is to promote positive self-esteem.

''The results of this survey underscore the need to reach out to children in this age group when peer pressure is beginning to have a significant impact on their lives,'' Levant said.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - A Virgin Airways jumbo jet left London's Gatwick Airport for Baghdad today to evacuate about 64 elderly and ailing British and American hostages from Iraq. Four doctors and seven nurses are aboard the Boeing 747 to handle any medical problems the evacuees may have.

The mercy flight was arranged by former British prime minister Edward Heath, who is on a humanitarian mission in Iraq. Heath made a personal appeal to Saddam Hussein last weekend to free sick and old hostages. The B-B-C says 50 Britons and 14 Americans will be released.

Prime Minister Thatcher met with the exiled emir of Kuwait today. And British and Kuwaiti officials said they would NEVER trade Kuwaiti territory in a deal to get Iraq's estimated 400-thousand troops to withdraw.

The House Ethics Committee is considering new charges of sexual misconduct against Ohio Congressman Donald Lukens. The new charges involve unwanted advances to a congressional employee. Last year, the panel convicted Lukens of having sex with a 16-year-old girl. The Republican has been directed to appear before the committee this afternoon.

Syria's vice president is on an unexpected visit to Beirut today to boost peace efforts by Lebanon's President Elias Hwari following the defeat of renegade Christian General Michel Aoun . Syria is backing efforts to rid Beirut of warring militias.

Israel has stepped up security in Jerusalem, with another two- thousand police called into the city to put down any violence. The latest incident occurred in northern Israel when two women soldiers waiting at a roadside army hitchhiking stop were stabbed, one seriously, by a West Bank Arab.

South African President Frederik de Klerk is in Holland for talks with top government officials, six months after the Dutch rejected plans for an earlier visit. The thaw comes as de Klerk opens a dialoge with the African National Congress. Traders from Holland founded South Africa 400 years ago.

Shrubbery growing five floors below is credited with breaking the fall of two small girls in Southfield, Michigan, yesterday. The children fell about 60 feet... but neither was seriously injured, although they remain hospitalized for observation.

The international embargo against Iraq now covers the mail. Postal authorities

from the Gulf Co-operation Council say Iraqi stamps are NO long valid and that mail carrying them will be returned. The move is an effort to further isolate Iraq.

Humphrey the whale is back and just as confused as during his first foray into the San Francisco Bay in 1985. Scientists have positively identified the humpback whale stuck on a mud flat as the same one who wandered around the California shore for three weeks before finally getting back to sea. They hope Humphrey's luck will be as good this time.

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ROANOKE, VA (OCT. 23) UPI - The constitutional fight over Virginia Military Institute's all-male admissions policy is back in federal court Tuesday after nearly five months of behind-the-scenes legal wrangling in the discrimination case.

A woman, Attorney General Mary Sue Terry, is leading the state's fight to keep women out of VMI.

More than a dozen lawyers are expected for pre-trial arguments and U.S. District Court Judge Jackson Kiser may set a trial date to decide the controversy that was ignited last year when an unidentified female high school student complained that could not attend the state-supported military institution.

The U.S. Justice Department, which reviewed the young woman's complaint, warned Virginia in January it was violating the U.S. Constitution and the Civil Rights Act by refusing to admit women. When the school and the state refused to budge, the Justice Department sued on March 1.

Before the Justice Department's lawsuit, however, both the state and the VMI Foundation, a private fund-raising arm of the school, filed pre- emptive strikes demanding the policy be declared constitutional.

The lawyers last met in the U.S. District Courthouse in Roanoke on June 4, where Kiser ordered them to work together to resolve as many issues as possible, including attempts to agree on facts and suggested compromises as to who will be defendants, before the start of formal arguments on pre-trial motions.

Except for summer programs, no woman has attended the Lexington school that has prided itself on turning out ''citizen soldiers'' during its 151-year history.

Terry, who wants to be the Democratic nominee for governor in 1993, stopped short of endorsing the all-male policy but argues it is defensible because it

contributes to a broad range of educational programming in the state. She also claims women can receive a similar military education in the ROTC program at Virginia Tech.

Last Friday, Terry asked Kiser to dismiss the state's lawsuit, saying it was duplicative. Terry spokesman Bert Rohrer also said dropping the lawsuit means the burden will be on the Justice Department to prove VMI's policy is illegal, rather than the state having to prove it is legal.

Other observers said the suit had served it tactical purpose - forcing federal attorneys to fight the discrimination battle in conservative Western Virginia rather than in a Washington, D.C., federal court.

Court documents indicate the effort to resolve pre-trial issues has been partially successful but major issues remain. Attorneys have agreed to stipulate more than 100 items but they remain deadlocked on hundreds more.

They also have not compromised on motions by Virginia Gov. L. Douglas Wilder and the state Council on Higher Education that they be dismissed as defendants in the federal lawsuit. Both Wilder and the council claim they have no control over the school's admission policy.

The governor, who was denied admission to state law schools because he is black, has refused to take a position on the VMI dispute.

Both those demands to be dropped as defendants are scheduled to be argued Tuesday.

The Justice Department also remains adamant that the VMI Foundation has no overriding interest in the dispute and therefore should not be involved. The department wants the foundation's lawsuit dimissed.

The foundation is demanding the right to intervene. It argues it controls an endowment of nearly $100 million for the school, and in papers filed a week ago contends it has already been forced to delay major fund-raising efforts and to accept more conditional donations until the issue is settled.

VMI and The Citadel in Charleston, S.C., are the only state-run, all- male schools in the country.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - The first of a string of witnesses to the Central Park rampage last year by a group of youths that raped and beat a female jogger testified Tuesday he managed to escape the mob by speeding away on his bicycle.

Michael Vigna, 31, testified in State Supreme Court at the trial of Kharey Wise, 18, and Kevin Richardson, 16, and described the night of April 19, 1989, when he came upon the group of youths.

He said one of them leaped at him and took a swing with his fist but he swerved his bike and managed to escape.

''I felt the wind by my ear,'' Vigna said of the attempted blow.

Vigna was to be followed by two other bicyclists and four male joggers attacked or menaced by the mob, which also ran down a female jogger and dragged her into bushes where she was beaten and gang-raped.

Tuesday's testimony followed a bizarre outburst Monday by Wise, in which he pounded his head with his fist and screamed, ''I can't take it - No, no, no, no!''

Wise lunged forward in his seat and vomited on the floor as the final juror filed out of the courtroom during a recess. He was surrounded by four court officers as he sobbed and cried.

His attorney, Colin Moore, tried to assist him, but the young man yelled, ''Tell the jury this is wrong. It's not right. That woman is lying!''

The wrenching outburst came just after Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer in her opening statement told jurors that Wise and Richardson had led police to the scene of the attack.

Later, Richardson's lawyer, Howard Diller, asked Justice Thomas Galligan to declare a mistrial, describing Wise as ''foaming at the mouth.'' He claimed four or five jurors were still in the courtroom when it began, but the prosecution team maintained the entire jury panel was out of the room.

Galligan refused to grant a mistrial but warned Wise that another hysterical outburst would cost him a seat at his own trial.

Throughout Lederer's opening statement, Wise shook his head and mumbled to himself.

In her opening statement, Lederer told the panel Wise and Richardson made written and videotaped statements to police in which they admitted being involved in the attack in which the woman was gang raped, bashed into unconsciousness with a metal pipe and a rock and left for dead in a muddy gully.

Lederer told the panel that a pubic hair similar to that of the blonde jogger was found on Richardson's T-shirt. She also said head hair similar to that of the jogger was found on Richardson's underwear and jeans.

The testimony of the native of Upper St. Clair, Pa., whose name has not been widely published because of the nature of the crime, marked one of the most dramatic moments of the first trial in the highly publicized case.

That trial ended last summer in convictions for Yusef Salaam, Raymond Santana, and Antron McCray, all 16. Each is serving a 5- to- 10-year term in a juvenile jail.

A sixth youth, Steven Lopez, 16, was expected to be tried alone early next year.

In his opening statement, Diller told the jury that Richardson was merely a ''commentator'' in his videotaped statement. He said words included in the youth's videotape - specifically ''male, female, east and west'' - could not have been his own and were proof that police put words in his mouth.

Moore told the jury the prosecutor's preview of the case was ''an optical illusion,'' ''a conjurer's trick,'' and ''full of smoke and mirrors.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Virginia (39) (7-0)	814	1
2.	Nebraska (14) (7-0)	767	3
3.	Auburn (3) (5-0-1)	710	5
4.	Notre Dame (5-1)	692	6
5.	Illinois (5-1)	524	9
6.	Washington (6-1)	503	12
7.	Brigham Young (5-1)	419	10
8.	Colorado (6-1-1)	389	14
9.	Miami (4-2)	382	2
10.	Tennessee (4-1-2)	305	4
11.	Florida State (4-2)	260	7
12.	Georgia Tech (5-0-1)	208	11
13.	Iowa (5-1)	190	19
14.	Texas (4-1)	189	15
15.	Mississippi (6-1)	129	18
16.	Wyoming (8-0)	101	17
17.	Clemson (6-2)	29	22
18.	Michigan (3-3)	24	8
19.	Texas Christian (5-1)	22	19
20.	Southern Cal (5-2)	16	13

21. Arizona (5-2)	13	NR
22. Oregon (5-2)	9	24
23. Louisville (6-1-1)	8	25
24. Penn State (4-2)	5	NR
25. Texas A&M (4-2-1)	4	21

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: California, Michigan State, Minnesota, Southern Mississippi.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances or postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches. Those schools are Florida, Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Salomon Inc., the parent of investment brokerage Salomon Brothers, Tuesday reported third-quarter earnings of $79 million, or 55 cents a share, down from $177 million, or $1.28 a share, in the year-ago period.

Revenues for the quarter were $1.45 billion, down from $1.6 billion in the 1989 period.

For the first nine months, earnings were $318 million, or $2.32 a share, compared with $402 million, or $2.82 a share, in the comparable period of 1989.

Revenues for the period were $4.3 billion, up from $3.97 billion in the first nine months of 1989, Salomon said.

The quarterly results included a one-time $200-million pre-tax charge for downsizing Salomon's Philipp Brothers commodities unit.

''Phibro Energy's pre-tax earnings of $369 million in the 1990 third quarter were exceptional,'' the brokerage firm said. ''Trading and refining businesses benefited from heightened volatility, higher prices, and increased volume. The energy business, which is global in scope, derived a significant portion of its earnings from international markets.''

In the first nine months of 1990, Phibro Energy earned $422 million, nearly double the $242 million earned in the same period last year.

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DALLAS (OCT. 23) UPI - A team from General Dynamics Corp. of St. Louis and Westinghouse Electric Corp. of Pittsburgh was selected Tuesday for a $200 million contract to design and manufacture the magnets for the supercondcuting super collider.

Roy Schwitters, director of the SSC laboratory, said GD's Space Systems Division of San Diego, Calif., was selected as the leader with Westinghouse's Collider Dipole Division of Orlando, Fla., as the follower.

Each company will develop, under contract with the laboratory, its own capabilities for volume manufacture of the magnets.

Following evaluation of the prototypes, 502 magnets will be produced for installation in the accelerator.

The two firms will then compete for a follow-on production order for the remaining 8,200 superconducting magnets. Each magnet will measure 52 feet in length and weigh about 12.5 tons.

The magnets will guide beams of high-energy protons around the accelerator's rings at about the speed of light and bring them into collisions. Massive detectors will record the results.

Through these experiments, scientists hope to lean more about the fundamental nature of energy and matter.

The magnets will operate at near absolute zero temperature to allow electricity to flow without resistance.

Under a contract to be negotiated, General Dynamics will work with the SSC laboratory to produce 15 prototype magnets.

GD and Westinghouse will then produce 35 preproduction magnets which will be tested and evaluated beginning in 1933.

After that, each firm will produce 251 magnets for installation. During that time, both firms will prepare competitive bids for the remaining 8,200 magnets.

The collider, the largest instrument ever designed for research, will be built in Ellis County, 30 miles south of Dallas. It is being designed and built for the Department of Energy by the Universities Research Association Inc., a consortium of 77 leading research universities in the United States and Canada.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Alexander Brown (3rd Q 9-28)	
$58,012,000	$79,554,000
d-$3,102,000	$6,316,000 (.38)
d-Deficit.	
American Express (3rd Q)	
$6,063,000,000	$6,502,000,000
$344,000,000 (.74)	$332,000,000 (.77)
Amer President Cos (3rd Q 9-21)	
$539,200,000	$542,600,000
d-$60,600,000	$8,100,000 (.28)
d-Deficit, after a $109,200,000 pre-tax restructuring charge.	
Amdahl Corp (3rd Q 9-28)	
$488,435,000	$534,319,000
$46,410,000 (.42)	$32,940,000 (.30)
Capital Cities/ABC (3rd Q)	
$1,214,772,000	$1,101,238,000
$71,714,000 (4.16)	$80,781,000 (4.56)
Chubb Corp (3rd Q 9-30)	
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$145,300,000 (1.69)	$101,700,000 (1.18)
Con Edison (3rd Q)	
$1,613,827,000	$1,575,014,000
$263,257,000 (1.11)	$282,608,000 (1.20)
Consumers Packaging (3rd Q)	
$140,600,000	$161,700,000
d-$25,800,000	$427,000 (.02)
d-Deficit.	
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Control Data (3rd Q 9-30)	
$434,100,000	$763,000,000
$8,500,000 (.20)	$9,800,000 (.23)
Diamond Shamrock (3rd Q)	

$725,000,000 $517,000,000
$53,200,000 (2.15) $10,100,000 (.35)

Encor Inc (3rd Q)
$77,100,000 $72,700,000
d-$7,900,000 d-$18,400,000
d-Dewficit.

Amounts in Canadian dollars.
Fuqua Indus Inc (3rd Q)
$239,281,000 $233,674,000
$1,648,000 (.10) $874,000 (.04)

Genentech Inc (3rd Q)
$112,094,000 $100,047,000
d-$133,740,000 $11,415,000 (.13)
d-Deficit, after special charges of $148,900, 000 (1.60).

Glenmore Distilleries (1st Q 9-30)
$82,504,000 $88,361,000
d-$285,000 $831,000 (.34)
d-Deficit.

Hamptons Bancshares (3rd Q)
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d-$536,000 $278,000 (.33)
d-Deficit.

Houghton Mifflin (3rd Q)
$178,755,000 $167,498,000
$26,843,000 (1.88) $24,894,000 (1.75)

Howell Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$126,952,000 $71,238,000
$1,879,000 (.39) $877,000 (.18)

Ingersoll-Rand (3rd Q)
$936,600,000 $845,300,000
$40,200,000 (.78) $44,300,000 (.82)

Kelly Services (3rd Q)
$386,067,000 $358,799,000
$20,938,000 (.70) $20,630,000 (.69)

McKesson Corp (2nd Q)
$2,028,000,000 $1,858,500,000
$24,900,000 (.55) $26,400,000 (.54)

Morgan Stanley (3rd Q)
$587,973,000 $582,418,000
$71,913,000 (1.82) $101,127,000 (2.54)

Northern Telecom (3rd Q)
$1,616,700,000 $1,414,800,000
$97,700,000 (.38) $80,100,000 (.31)

Quaker Oats (1st Q 9-30)
$1,326,500,000 $1,214,600,000
a-$33,200,000 (.42) $39,600,000 (.49)
a-Income from continuing operations.

RJR Nabisco Holdings (3rd Q)
$3,530,000,000 $3,000,000,000
d-$86,000,000 d-$447,000,000
d-Deficit.

Salomon Inc (3rd Q)
$2,573,000,000 $2,623,000,000
a-$79,000,000 (.55) $177,000,000 (1.28)
a-After a pre-tax charge of $200,000 for the previously announced downsizing of the company's Philipp Brothers commodities unit.

San Diego Gas & Elec (3rd Q)
$452,127,000 $423,892,000
$54,673,000 (.93) $53,434,000 (.91)

Smith's Foods & Drug (3rd Q)
$510,166,000 $432,457,000
$8,620,000 (.34) $7,217,000 (.29)

Southern Co (3rd Q)
$2,437,582,000 $2,150,939,000
$407,426,000 (1.29) $357,525,000 (1.13)

Tambrands Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$152,119,000 $153,214,000
$25,890,000 (1.22) a-$16,567,000 (.74)
a-Includes one-time charge of $5,026,000 (.22) from sale of a joint venture.

Tandy Corp (1st Q 9-30)
$1,090,286,000 $985,977,000
$52,243,000 (.65) $62,754,000 (.73)

TBC Corp (3rd Q)

$136,397,000 $132,208,000
$4,799,000 (.34) $4,571,000 (.31)

Texaco Inc (3rd Q)
$10,954,000,000 $8,356,000,000
$381,000,000 (1.38) $305,000,000 (1.10)

Texas Utilities (3rd Q)
$1,412,462,000 $1,294,592,000
$344,660,000 (1.77) $285,365,000 (1.63)

Union Electric (3rd Q)
$653,885,000 $618,775,000
$154,624,000 (1.47) $137,952,000 (1.31)

UNUM Corp (3rd Q)
$551,900,000 $499,000,000
$46,300,000 (1.35) $44,100,000 (1.09)

Wang Laboratories (1sr Q 9-30)
$571,500,000 $604,800,000
a-$2,600,000 (.02) d-$62,100,000
a-Includes pre-tax gain of $11,800,000 from
the transfer of an interest in a non-strategic
real estate subsidiary in Brussels.
d-Deficit, after restructuring charge of $12,900,000.

Washington Post (3rd Q)
$348,724,000 $346,341,000
$37,522,000 (3.14) $44,778,000 (3.50)

Weyerhaeuser Co (3rd Q)
$2,263,508,000 $2,574,407,000
$90,566,000 (.42) $156,728,000 (.73)

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - The Office of Thrift Supervision said Tuesday it has placed the insolvent Superior Savings Association, of Cleveland, into receivership and has chartered a new institution to take its place.

The takeover of Superior will not interrupt the thrift's daily operations, the OTS said.

The agency said Superior was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition with insufficient capital and no prospects of attaining additional capital without federal help.

Superior's financial position deteriorated through poor underwriting, the high cost of funds and loans for such non-traditional items as Arabian horses, the agency said.

Federal Regulators said Superior's management has attempted to call the bad assets and has made progress in reducing the thrift's brokered deposits.

As of June 30, the thrift reported assets of $98.6 million with liabilities of $98 million and tangible capital of negative $161,000.

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AMMAN, JORDAN (OCT. 23) UPI - Munzar Khalil, a 29-year-old Syrian businessman waited anxiously outside the Iraqi Embassy Tuesday, hoping to obtain permission to get into Kuwait before a midnight deadline.

After that time, the residence and work permits of all foreigners who have failed to return are to be annuled.

''I have all my things there,'' said Khalil, who has lived in Kuwait for 13 years and was traveling outside the country at the time of the Iraqi invasion Aug. 2.

''I have my parents there, too. I want to get (them.)''

While Iraqi officials have said a decision to annul work and residence permit of foreigners outside the country was announced more than two months ago, the approaching deadline caught many Jordanian and other nationals by surprise and created an exodus of hundreds of people over the past few days.

About 200 people, some in business suits and dozens of others wearing traditional red and white Jordanian headdress, jammed the shady sidewalk across the street the Iraqi Embassy Tuesday. Hawkers sold corn on the cob and falafel at lunchtime while others snapped passport photos and helped those waiting in line fill out visa forms.

A smiling Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was nearby - in posters plastered along the wall near the embassy's information window. The posters showed him wearing both traditional Arab garb and a business suit shaking hands with Jordan's King Hussein.

''Some people have been standing here more than two days waiting for their visas,'' Khalil said. ''I don't know why. They are thinking of canceling the permit. Nobody has any idea why.''

Iraqi Consul Sabar Abbas Al Ahbabi told the Jordan Times newspaper Monday that

Baghdad had announced Aug. 23 it would give Arabs working in Iraq two months to decide whether to stay.

He said with the deadline now near, ''All those wishing to keep their residence and work permits for Iraq or the province of Kuwait should be in the territories by Oct. 23.''

Al Ahbabi said the decision was a temporary measure to allow Baghdad time to conduct a population survey between Nov. 5 and 7. He did not give the purpose of the survey or say when foreign workers might be allowed to return to Kuwait and Iraq.

For non-Iraqi Arabs like Khalil, the possibility of being stranded outside Iraq and Kuwait while their families remain inside is a worrisome prospect.

About 300,000 Jordanian nationals live in Kuwait and Iraq, about 175, 000 of whom are workers.

Jordanian officials have recently estimated the Persian Gulf crisis has caused the country to lose remittances worth billions of dollars.

Because the Iraqi Embassy in Amman is one of the few in the region still open, scores of other Arab nationals also have traveled to the city to obtain Iraqi visas.

''Everybody, they left Kuwait once the crisis began. Now they look at the situation and see life is continuing. So some of them they are looking at going back, but about 80 percent of them want to go and bring back their luggage and household goods,'' said Ibrahim Hassan, a Palestinian taxi driver who ferries workers back and forth from the Iraqi border.

Like most outside the Iraqi Embassy, Hassan blamed the United States for prolonging the gulf crisis.

''If the Americans had not entered into it, the problem would have been solved in one week,'' he said.

Another man, a salesman in Kuwait who would only identify himself by the initials H. H. W., agreed.

''I think he (Saddam) is like a sheikh. If the other Arab leaders would come to him and say, 'Saddam, my dear friend, come on,' I think they would settle it.''

''I think this guy doesn't want a war. It's not easy. He tried it with Iran.''

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - mixed.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 76-79.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - Anti-tax conservatives are calling on citizens to gather in cities across the nation this weekend to express their anger at the government's failure to end the budget impasse and send a message to incumbent lawmakers that they are fed up with ''inept leadership.''

Citizens Against Government Waste said it hopes to rally thousands of Americans across the nation to join in sending Washington politicians ''a message that they are fed up with the current generation of politicians'' responsible for the savings and loan bailout, the scandal at the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Pentagon cost overruns and the farm program.

In the effort, the group, which includes Phyllis Schafly, founder of the Eagle Forum; Robert Grant of the American Freedom Coalition; John Cregan of the U.S. Business and Industrial Council, Grover Norquist of Americans for Tax Reform; and Mark Wheat of Citizens for a Sound Economy, hope to marshal the efforts of many of the nation's radio talk show hosts.

The talk show hosts, represented in the coalition by Mike Siegal, president of the National Association of Radio Talk Show Hosts, were widely credited with stirring up massive public anger over proposed congressional pay raises last year.

Alan Keyes, head of Citizens Against Waste in Government, said voters are already showing they want change in Washington and they are dissatisfied with government at all levels.

The Oct. 27 rallies and demonstrations, he said, ''will provide a platform to express this outrage.''

''In Washington, there is a trail of broken promises and inept leadership in the fight to reduce the deficit,'' he said. ''The same politicians who want to take a bigger bite out of the family budget have raised their own pay, raised taxes, increased the deficit and presided over the biggest financial scandal in the nation's history, the savings and loan debacle.

''Taxpayers around the country are fed up,'' he said.

Organizers said they will use raised brooms as a symbol during the rallies, signifying taxpayers' desire for Washington ''to clean up the mess.''

''Notice will be served to incumbent officials everywhere that taxpayers demand efficient and responsible administration of their money,'' Keyes said.

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MALDEN, MA (OCT. 23) UPI - An expert on execution equipment who wrote a controversial report that Nazis did not use gas chambers to kill Jews in the Holocaust pleaded innocent Tuesday to practicing engineering fraudulently.

Fred A. Leuchter Jr., 47, who has helped numerous states design and maintain execution equipment, was accompanied by a heavy police force as he entered Malden District Court for his arraignment as Jewish groups protested outside.

Famed Nazi hunter Beate Klarsfeld was one of about 50 people who demonstrated outside the courthouse as the Malden resident was arraigned. The demonstrators carried signs with such slogans as ''Herr Leuchter Lies,'' the name ringed with swastikas.

''We combat him with the truth. He has to know there's a rampart against him '' Klarsfeld said.

Dubbed ''Dr. Death'' by ABC News, Leuchter in 1988 wrote a report that contends the Nazis did not use gas chambers to kill Jews during World War II. The paper, ''Leuchter Report: End of a Myth,'' was written for the May 1988 trial of Canadian revisionist, at which Leuchter testified as a paid witness.

Leuchter insists he is not anti-Semitic and maintains his report is a scientific document, but his paper has infuriated Holocaust survivors. An Albany, N.Y., organization, Holocaust Survivors and Friends in Pursuit of Justice, contacted authorities and urged that his engineering practices come under scrutiny.

''Leuchter's a fake and we're here to expose the Holocaust denier as a fraud '' the group's director, Shelly Shapiro, said as she demonstrated outside the courthouse.

Shapiro said her group planned to file a victim impact statement with the court, ''Because what he said affects Jews all around the world. He caused damage to the survivors and Jews whom he defamed.''

The group is also publishing a book titled ''The Truth Prevails'' next week,

Shapiro said.

''The book proves he's no expert on gas chambers despite what he says,'' she said.

Leuchter's paper was written for the defense in the May 1988 trial of revisionist publisher Ernst Zundel in Toronto. Zundel was charged and later convicted of knowingly disseminating false information in his booklet, ''Did Six Million Really Die?''

Leuchter has said he was paid $1,800 for his testimony as an expert witness, although some reports have put his fee at $30,000.

At his arraignment Tuesday, Leuchter received a court-appointed attorney and pleaded innocent to charges of practicing or offering to practice engineering without being registered.

The charge is a misdemeanor and carries a maximum penalty of 90 days in a house of correction and a $500 fine, a spokesman for Middlesex County District Attorney Scott Harshbarger said.

Leuchter, who is free on personal recongizance, is due back in court Dec. 11.

Klarsfeld, a Nazi hunter who numbers among her success the capture of Klaus Barbie, known as the ''Butcher of Lyon,'' said she traveled from Paris to protest at the arraignment.

''It's very important to document this. The group that believes this is not a big one but it is active. The group is small but it always starts with a small group,'' said Klarsfeld, whose efforts to track down Nazi leaders were the subject of a made-for-TV movie.

''If he lies on his engineering degree then he lies on his report too,'' Klarsfeld said. ''It was written for stupid people.''

''This is an outrage,'' said another demonstrator, Israel Arbeiter of Newton, who said he was in the Auschwitz extermination camp when he was 14.

''We were there. This man made up lies to make money. We saw the freight cars come in, we saw innocent men and women and children being led into the gas chambers. We saw the piles of burnt bones. For somebody to come out and say this didn't happen is an outrage.''

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (OCT. 23) UPI - The chief of the Soviet general staff, Army Gen. M.A. Moiseyev, will meet this week with NATO's Military Committee, the

Western alliance said Tuesday.

The NATO military committee in chiefs of staff session holds its annual meeting on Wednesday and Thursday at NATO headquarters. The committee will focus on the alliance's post-Cold War role.

Moiseyev, the first deputy minister of defense and chief of the Soviet general staff, will also meet with NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner during his visit on Thursday.

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SOUTHFIELD, Mich. (OCT. 23) UPI - The Bendix Automotive Systems Group of Allied-Signal Inc. announced plans Tuesday to phase out some vehicle disc brake operations at its St. Joseph, Mich., complex and build a new facility in Roanoke County, Va.

Company spokesman Pete Leatherwood said about 550 of the 1,200 hourly and salaried workers at the St. Joseph plant could be affected within the next three to five years because of the decision to build the new plant.

But Leatherwood said that employment at St. Joseph, which also makes medium- and heavy-duty truck disc brakes and other hydraulic components and castings, could increase in the near term, depending on the automotive market and general economy.

Bendix, the world's leading supplier of brake systems for cars and trucks, now builds disc brakes for North American cars and light trucks complex in St. Joseph, in southwestern Michigan.

But the new Roanoke Valley facility eventually will supply all of the firm's disc brakes for the North American car and light truck market. The company will concentrate all future anti-lock brake systems in a facility opened earlier this year in Clarksville, Tenn.

The new Roanoke plant will begin operations with 30 to 40 employees, increasing to some 300 employees at full production levels, Bendix said.

The initial $21 million phase of the facility is scheduled for completion next summer, with construction scheduled to begin immediately.

The first phase will contain 175,000 square feet, including over 100, 000 square feet of production space. That space is expected to more than double within the next three to five years as more disc brake programs come on stream the company said.

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KAMPALA, UGANDA (OCT. 23) UPI - Rebels fighting a three-week battle in the East African nation of Rwanda have agreed to a government-proposed ceasefire, Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni said Tuesday.

Museveni, from whose country the rebels stormed into northern Rwanda Sept. 30, told Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens - on a peace- making mission for Belgium's former protectorate - that the Rwandan Patriotic Front Rebels had agreed to the ceasefire Monday.

Museveni, who has been sharply criticized in the region for allegedly sponsoring the rebels, said he had contacted them last week after a summit meeting with Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana.

''When they received my message to them, they asked for three days so that they could discuss it and later inform me the result,'' Museveni said in a statement. ''Fortunately I have just received a word from them which indicated that they were ready to observe a ceasefire.''

Martens planned to fly to Tanzania for talks with President Ali Hassan Mwinyi. He told Museveni the European Community, whose foreign ministers discussed the Rwandan situation Monday, was prepared to contribute financially to maintaining stability in the region.

Rwandan ambassador to Kenya Cyprien Habimana gave the news of the proposed ceasefire a cautious welcome.

''We have to wait and see if they mean it,'' he said. ''They have not set a date or a time for the ceasefire.''

Most of the estimated 5,000 rebels in Rwanda are long-term refugees from tribal fighting in the 1960s, which drove hundreds of thousands of the minority Tutsi tribe into exile.

Rwanda, the most densely populated country in Africa, has been trying to negotiate ways with neighbor countries to deal with its refugee problem since 1986.

The rebels have claimed their invasion was largely motivated by Habyarimana's statements earlier this year that his country had no room for returning refugees.

Habyarimana in turn has said the mainly Tutsi rebels are merely interested in reviving conflict with his Hutu tribe, which makes up about 90 percent of the Rwandan population.

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OMAHA (OCT. 23) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and calves 900; slaughter steers and heifers fairly active, fully steady with Monday; cows near steady on very light receipts; steers choice 2-4 1075-1350 lb 77.00- 78.50, 4 loads 79.00, select and choice 2-3 1050- 1250 lb 75.50-77.50, select 73.00-75.00; holsteins select and choice 2-3, part load 1300 lb 69.00, select 2-3 package 67.50; heifers choice 2-4 950-1200 lb 77.00-78.50, 1 1/2 loads 79.00, select and choice 2-3 950-1100 lb 75.50- 77.00 select 72.00-75.00; cows boning 48.00- 50.00, low to average cutter 45.00-48.00.

Hogs 1,400; butchers steady; No 1-3 220-270 lb 57.50-58.25; sows steady; No 1-3 350-500 lb 48.50-49.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 52.00-52.50, few 600 lb and heavier 53.00.

Sheep 100; slaughter lambs mostly steady except over 130 lb variously 2.00-4.00 lower; ewes steady; shorn lambs choice and prime 100-130 lb No 1-2 pelts 50.00-51.00, 130-140 lb 48.00-50.00; wooled lambs choice and prime 100-130 lb 48.00-49.00, over 130 lb discounted 30 cents per lb; ewes cull to good shorn No 1- 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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#90296u1118 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA (OCT. 23) UPI - Thirty clergymen have died, 83 churches have been burned to the ground and a number of the country's most valuable religious relics have been plundered in the past 12 months of war in northern Ethiopia, an Orthodox Church report said Tuesday.

The report, presented to the ninth regular conference of the Ethiopian Orthodox Church in Addis Ababa, launched a strong attack on what it called the ''shocking and disgusting'' pillaging of churches by the rebel Tigray People's Liberation Front.

It said the rebels, hard-line Marxists fighting since 1977 to overthrow the Ethiopian government, had wrought worse damage even than the invasion of Ethiopia, then Abyssinia, by Mussolini's Italian fascists in World War II.

''The church arson and ransacking is so shocking and disgusting,'' the report said.

It accused the rebels of refusing to settle their dispute by peaceful means.

Most of the churches destroyed were in Tigray, Eritrea, Northern Showa and Gonder provinces, overrun or shelled by the rebels in the past year, as the TPLF launched a series of pushes, with hundreds of thousands of heavily armed

soldiers, toward Addis Ababa.

The report said the 30 clergymen who were killed died trying to save church antiquities and religious treasures from being plundered by the rebels.

It also said that thousands of children under church protection in the ancient towns of Axum, Adowa, and Makelle, between 350 and 400 miles north of Addis Ababa had been dislodged from orphanages and nurseries by the war.

The Ethiopian Orthodox Church, largest in the country, has 240,000 full-time priests and has exerted enormous power for centuries. Ethiopia became a predominantly Christian country in the 4th century A.D.

It lost its temporal power in Ethiopia's 1974 Marxist revolution, but has remained a major cultural and spiritual force.

Since President Mengistu Haile Mariam renounced much of his leftist doctrine earlier this year, the church has rapidly regained influence, and is widely regarded as the sole source of accurate information on events in the country's two civil wars.

It leveled similar accusations of atrocities against the TPLF last month. The rebels denied the charge.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - The World Series won the ratings race for CBS last week and put the network within two-tenths of a rating point of NBC for the season-to-date, it was reported Tuesday.

All four games of the Series finished in the top 10, with games two and four taking the top two spots, and games one and three coming in fifth and sixth.

CBS estimated that more than 59 million Americans viewed all or part of game four in Nielsen-measured homes, with as many as 6 million persons watching out-of-home in bars, restaurants, school dormitories, etc.

The World Series averaged a 20.8 rating and a 36 share, up 27 percent over last year's earthquake-interrupted four-game fiasco but down 10 percent from the first four games of the 1988 series.

In the ratings for the week ending Oct. 21, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., CBS won with a 15.9 rating and a 26 share. NBC was second with a 13.9 rating and a 23 share, while ABC posted a 12.6 rating and a 21 share.

The five-week-old season-to-date statistics show how close this year's race has become, with CBS's World Series ratings enough to bring pull the network

close to a tie for the top.

NBC leads with a 13.4 rating and 22 share, followed by CBS with a 13.2 rating and a 22 share, and ABC not far behind with a 12.7 ratring and a 21 share.

Night-by-night competition saw CBS win Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday - the four nights of primetime baseball. NBC took Monday and Thursday and ABC won Sunday.

NBC's counter-programming of Danielle Steel against baseball paid off, with ''Kaleidoscope'' taking fourth place and giving the network non-Series Monday night. ''Fine Things'' came in 10th against Game 1, the best an entertainment program has done against the first game of a Series since 1983.

In non-Series competition, ''The Cosby Show'' on NBC was in eighth place, while ''The Simpsons'' on Fox placed 18th, down from eighth the previous week.

Susan Lucci, a soap opera actress whose main distinction is never having won a daytime Emmy, proved a big winner for ABC in the Sunday movie competition. She starred in ''The Bride in Black,'' which ranked 15th. NBC's ''The Love She Sought,'' starring Angela Lansbury, came in 46th, while CBS - which had been hoping for a fifth game in the Series, had to settle for the theatrical ''The Big Easy'' in 60th.

None of the season's new shows are setting the ratings race on fire. Tops was ''America's Funniest People'' (ABC) in ninth place, outperforming its clone, ''America's Funniest Home Videos,'' in 13th.

After that it's down to 37th place for ''Fresh Prince of Bel Air'' (NBC). The only other new series in the top 50 were ''Ferris Bueller'' (NBC), 43rd; ''Married People'' (ABC), tied for 47th, and ''Uncle Buck'' (CBS), tied for 49th.

ABC's ''World News Tonight'' was No. 1 for the 41st consecutive week, with a 9.9 rating and a 20 share. ''CBS Evening News'' with Dan Rather and ''NBC Nightly News'' with Tom Brokaw tied for second, each with an 8.7 rating and an 18 share.

Each ratings point represents about 921,000 households. A share is the percentage of TV sets in use that are tuned to a particular show or network.

The top 10 programs for the week ending Sunday, Oct. 21, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., were:

1. World Series, game 2 (CBS)
2. World Series, game 4 (CBS)
3. Cheers (NBC)
4. Danielle Steel's Kaleidoscope (NBC)

5. World Series, Game 1 (CBS)
6. World Series, Game 3 (CBS)
7. A Different World (NBC)
8. The Cosby Show (NBC)
9. America's Funniest People (ABC)
10. Danielle Steel's Fine Things (NBC)

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 23) UPI - Three Philadelphia police sergeants have been demoted because they are too fat.

Stephen Guckin, 31, Joseph McGoldrick, 41, and John Harkins, 37, passed a battery of oral and written tests and received their promotions to sergeant in April. But the promotion carried a stipulation that they lose weight in the next six months.

All three failed that test and were demoted last week by Police Commissioner Willie Williams, the Philadelphia Inquirer said Tuesday.

Guckin, who was supposed to lose 40 pounds, lost only 20 and weighs 280 pounds. McGoldrick, who pledged to lose 28 pounds, didn't lose any weight and stood at 291 pounds.

And Harkins, who promised to lose 100 pounds, lost only two pounds and weighed in at 313 pounds.

Police said the actions against the officers were part of an effort by the Police Department to keep their officers in better shape for health and safety reasons.

Authorities said if the three get into shape they most likely will get another chance at becoming sergeants in a year or two.

The city hopes to begin annual or bi-annual physical exams for police officers soon. Currently, medical exams are only given when officers are hired or promoted or return from an extended leave.

John Shaw, president of the Fraternal Order of Police, said he did not object to the city's desire to keep officers' weight in check. But, he said, police veterans should be given leeway because the city had not enforced the weight requirements until recently, even though they were on the books for 15 years.

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ALBANY, NY (OCT. 23) UPI - A Madonna he ain't.

But Simcha Pearl, a dentist at the Veterans Affairs Center Hospital in Albany, does write songs for the Hasidic equivalent of Top 40 radio.

Ten of Pearl's songs - all in Hebrew, most of them adapted from Scripture - have been recorded by cantor Yaacov Motzen of Montreal.

A bootleg recording of one of the songs, ''Ashle Asohr'' or ''To Raise up the Harp'' has reached No. 3 on the Hasidic hit parade in Israel, according to a published account in the Albany Times Union.

''It's like a fairy tale. All I can think of is Andy Warhol. So here's my 15 minutes, then I go back to being Joe Shmoe again,'' Pearl told the newspaper.

His inspiration for his big hit was the 92nd Psalm, he said.

But Pearl's songs don't have an air of solemnity.

They come complete with a danceable bass line, swelling choruses and even a sax solo.

''You should feel like snapping your fingers and singing along with the words '' Pearl said.

Pearl was himself born in Montreal and moved with his family to Albany at age 5.

His life appears to combine the best traits of his parents.

His father, Manuel Pearl, also practices medicine as a gynecologist, while his mother, Gina Pearl, taught music at the Hebrew Academy in Albany.

Pearl, 32, began writing music while a freshman at Princeton University and went on to dental school at the University of Pennsylvania.

The young dentist follows in his mother's footsteps in one other way. He teaches music at the same school where his mother taught.

Pearl's musical success story came about last year when he began to transcribe his songs with the help of an old accordion teacher.

Pearl said it also didn't hurt him that his second cousin, Morty Pearl, is president of the congregation where the pop-cantor Motzen sings.

''People tell me I can go out and buy my Lamborghini and my swimming pool, but I'm not business oriented,'' Pearl said of his new-found success.

''I'm not mercenary. I just want to be happy and to make some other people

happy,'' he said.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 23) UPI - Philippine troops were placed on full alert Tuesday after explosions rocked two oil companies on the eve of a general strike called by left-wing unions demanding wage increases.

Military officials ordered 600 soldiers to reinforce the capital's security force of 15,000 and provide escorts to buses not joining the strike.

Officials of the left-leaning Labor Advisory Council, which claims a national membership of 3.5 million, said the strike will begin at 5 a.m. local time Wednesday.

The council is demanding a wage increase to compensate for the 29 percent raise in petroleum prices prompted by the Persian Gulf crisis.

President Corazon Aquino, facing a huge budget deficit that has forced her government to resort to massive domestic borrowing and threatens new foreign loans, has refused to grant the increase. Her government also is grappling with a $26 billion foreign debt.

Armed forces chief Gen. Renato de Villa said he had placed the 150, 000-member military on red alert - the maximum state of readiness - to ''prevent the strike from deteriorating into a security problem.''

School classes were ordered suspended Wednesday, but government and private companies announced it would be business as usual. Officials said some 200 provincial buses will be fielded in the capital to ferry commuters.

No one has claimed responsibility for the bombings at the Dutch-owned Shell Co. in the capital's financial district and the U.S.-based Caltex Philippines in the tourist area of Manila.

The blasts at both companies hit the roof of their generator sheds, tearing the galvanized iron sheets, shattering some windows but causing no injuries.

Police said five heavily armed men set ablaze a bus in the town of Kawit outside Manila Tuesday afternoon, bringing to four the number of buses torched since Sunday. Police said the coaches were burned because the owners refused to join the strike.

The bombings were the first in the capital in two weeks. At least 43 bomb attacks had been reported previously since Aug. 13. The previous incidents were blamed on rebel soldiers who have tried seven times to oust Aquino.

Police believed the bombings Monday were carried out by guerrillas of the communist New Peoples Army, possibly with help from military dissidents.

The 19,000-member NPA has been waging a rebellion to establish a Marxist state for 21 years.

Communist guerrillas Monday announced full support of the strike and warned ''scabs and saboteurs'' not to intervene.

Police believed guerrillas were behind the killings of two moderate labor leaders Monday - Oscar Lazaro, 53, the popular head of an 80,000- strong mini-bus drivers union who had refused to join the strike, and a port union president Eduardo Yumol, 67.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 23) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Tuesday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 68-74.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - U.S. personal income growth increased by only 1.3 percent in the second quarter, primarily because of a slowdown in the Plains, the West and the Southeast regions, a Commerce Department survey said Tuesday.

''Personal income also slowed in the Southwest and Midwest,'' the department said. ''Income growth was unchanged in the Great Lakes and New England regions and increased slightly in the Rocky Mountain region.''

In the first three months of the year, personal income - which includes wages and all other types of income, such as dividends - advanced 2.1 percent, according to the survey by the department's Bureau of Economic Analysis.

In the Plains, personal income inched up 0.3 percent in April, May and June after gaining 1.9 percent in January, February and March, reflecting a decline in farm income as federal subsidies dropped and construction payrolls weakened.

''Two Plains states - Iowa and Nebraska - were the only states in the nation

that had income declines in the second quarter,'' the Commerce Department added. ''In contrast, both states had income gains in the first quarter.''

In the West, personal income increased 1.6 percent in the second quarter,after zooming 3.2 percent in the first three months of the year on a decline in the payrolls of durable-goods manufacturers.

Factory jobs have disappeared by the thousands across the nation over the last 12 months.

Falling construction payrolls and farm income also contributed to a modest 1.2 percent advance in personal income in the Southeast in the second quarter,vs. a 2.7 percent increase in the first quarter.

In the Southeast, ''payroll increases in both durables and non- durables manufacturing and in retail trade were smaller in the second quarter than in the first,'' the Commerce Department said.

In the Southwest, meanwhile, personal income was up 1.3 percent in the second quarter after a gain of 1.7 percent in the first quarter, with factories and farms accounting for most of the slowdown.

Cosntruction payrolls also took down the East, where personal income increased 1.3 percent in April-June period after gaining 1.7 percent in the previous three months, the department said.

In the Great Lakes region and New England, personal income growth remained unchanged, at 1.6 percent and 0.9 percent, respectively, while a slightly better growth rate of 1.6 percent was reported in the Rocky Mountain region.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 23) UPI - The former president and managing officer of a Cicero savings and loan was sentenced to six months work release for embezzling more than $1 million from the institution.

But, U.S. District Judge Nicholas Bua warned Richard Kukielski, 51, Westmont, at the sentencing Monday that he would serve a suspended sentence of five years in prison if he failed to live up to the terms of his work release program.

Kukielski faced a maximum 15 years in prison and $750,000 in fines for the fraud he engineered from March 1982 to June 1987 at the West Town Savings and Loan Association.

As part of a plea agreement, Kukielski admitted to making false ledger entries every day during that period and accepting worthless checks from a customer in

order to conceal his embezzling.

Prosecutors said Kukielski received worthless checks from Edward Czyznikiewicz then paid him cash. Kukielski would then have the worthless check processed, use it to balance the daily ledgers, then store it in his office desk drawer.

Kukielski also used a running account of his misappropriations to help him balance the ledgers. Prosecutors said in all, Kukielski accepted 212 undated and worthless checks from his now-deceased co-conspirator.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael Mullen said Bua handed down the lenient sentence after receiving a "glowing" two-page letter from other savings and loan officials asking that he show mercy. Czyznikiewicz, who was on parole for bank fraud during the time of the scheme, died before Kukielski was indicted in August of last year.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - President Bush is back on the campaign trail today, telling voters in Vermont that the country wouldn't be in the budget mess if more Republicans were in Congress. Bush is in Burlington to help Congressman Robert Smith as he runs for the Senate seat being vacated by Gordon Humphrey. Polls released last week show that the budget crisis and a slowing economy have cut into the president's popularity. Bush also plans stops in New Hampshire and Connectiut.

A Virgin Airways Boeing 747 is on its way to Iraq with doctors and nurses aboard to treat elderly British and U-S hostages who are finally being released. The plane is expected to be back in London tomorrow. Iraq President Saddam Hussein ordered the release after a personal appeal by former British Prime Minister Edward Heath. Heath reportedly is still bargaining for the freedom of others on a list of 200 people he has with him.

An ominious booklet is being distributed in Saudi Arabia. It tells people what to look for in the event of an Iraqi chemical attack. Civil defense authorities give this scenario- loud explosions, thick smoke and massive deaths of insects. An English-language newspaper says that if citizens see these signs and oil stains they should immediately put on their masks. The Saudi government is buying about three-Million gas masks. Israel is already handing out the chemical weapons kits to its population.

A Berlin newspaper says the former communist leadership of East Germany may have embezzled Millions paid by West Germany over 17 years to maintain highways in the east. The paper says a government report shows former East German leaders transferred about six-Million dollars received from West Germany into secret bank accounts. From 1972 until 1989, the West German government paid East Germany an annual fee of 345-Million dollars to maintain

three highways leading to West Berlin.

The House Committee on Standards and Official Conduct has opened a preliminary investigation into what could become new charges of sexual misconduct against Congressman Donald Lukens. The Ohio Republican was convicted last year of having sex with a teen-age girl and is to appear before the House ethics committee today to answer the fresh allegations. Little is known about the alleged incident other than it may involve a congressional employee. Lukens had NO comment on the advice of his attorneys.

While U-S economists continue to debate whether the United States is in a recession, officials in Canada say there's NO doubt Canada already is. Finance Minister Michael Wilson told a parliamentary committee last night that Canada's third-quarter output declined. It fell in the second quarter, too. But Wilson says officials don't expect the recession to be severe and predicts a recovery by spring. Canada had seven and one-half years of strong growth in the 1980's.The Canadian dollar opened higher today, at 85-point-23 cents.

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SALINA, UT (OCT. 23) UPI - A minor earthquake measuring a magnitude of 3.2 on the Richter scale struck central Utah's Fish Lake National Forest at 2:49 a.m. Tuesday, authorities said.

Jim Pechmann, research seismologist with the University of Utah Seismograph Stations, said there were no reports of structural damage or injuries from the temblor.

The quake occurred nine miles southeast of a Jan. 29, 1989, magnitude 5.4 quake, which caused no significant damage or injuries due largely to its remote location, Pechmann said.

The 1989 earthquake was the largest in Utah since a 6.0 magnitude quake on the Utah-Idaho state line in 1975.

A cluster of 59 earthquakes of magnitude 2.8 or smaller occurred in April and May of this year in the same area as Tuesday's quake, Pechmann said.

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#90296u1229 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 23) UPI - World oil prices bounced back in midday trading Tuesday as markets stabilized after the prior day's record drop and after a Saudi official said his remarks seeming to suggest Kuwait cede some territory to Iraq had been misinterpreted.

Prices of home heating oil for November delivery were up 4.92 cents to 80.9

cents a gallon on the New York Mercantile Exchange at midday, while November unleaded gasoline had gained 3.9 cents to 80.4 cents a gallon.

In the first day of trading the December delivery contract, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude was down 93 cents to $29.48 a barrel.

WTI's decline was a technical move explained by Tuesday being the Merc's first day of trading December delivery as the spot-month contract, said Tom Bentz, director of trading at United Energy Inc. in New York.

Exchange rules limited its decline to $3 a barrel Monday, when the November spot-month contract was falling a record $5.41 to $28.38 a barrel. The December delivery contract is playing a little bit of catch- up, the trader said.

''So, the crude is really up a little bit. The whole market's bouncing a little bit here,'' Bentz said.

In addition to the market's normal tendency to rebound after a sharp drop such as the one experienced Monday, Bentz said there was upward price pressure from Saudi Defense Minister Sultan Bin Abdul Aziz saying his earlier remarks had been misinterpreted.

Sultan contributed to Monday's record drop in prices after suggesting Sunday that Kuwait should give Iraq two strategic gulf islands that Iraq tried to lease for decades before it invaded the tiny emirate Aug. 2.

''Saudi Arabia does not see any harm in one Arab country giving another sisterly Arab country a position or land overlooking the sea,'' he told reporters in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

But Saudi Television quoted the Saudi defense minister Monday as saying that ''erroneous interpretations'' of some of his remarks had led to ''clear distortion of the meaning intended.''

Sultan said he meant to say that Saudi Arabia had managed to amicably solve past border disputes with Iraq, Jordan and the United Arab Emirates.

Sultan was quoted as saying that Saudi Arabia ''reaffirms its complete commitment to all the Arab and international resolutions which demand from Iraq immediate and complete withdrawal from Kuwaiti territories unconditionally.''

Exiled Kuwaiti sources, however, said the Saudis were trying indirectly to pressure the emirate's exiled government into giving territorial concessions to Iraq in order to end the gulf crisis peacefully.

On the European spot market, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent, which

tumbled $5.35 Monday, had regained $2.60 to $29.25 a barrel.

After plummeting $5.10 Monday, the United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light, the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East, was up $1.45 to $24.65 a barrel.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - House Democrats split on a proposed budget package Tuesday, with about half the members resisting the Republican approach to taxing the rich and opposing further cuts in Medicare.

Democratic leaders conceded they did not have enough support to pass the plan and prepared to resume negotiations with Republicans, the Senate and the administration.

During a two-hour closed meeting, the leaders outlined the package being negotiated and heard the reaction of their colleagues.

Based on what was said during the caucus ''we're half-way there because half the members were supportive,'' Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D- Ill., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, said afterward. But, he said, ''that's not good enough'' to win House passage.

House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri said the ''two dominant messages'' from the Democrats were opposition to the Republican plan to increase taxes on the wealthy by limiting their deductions and opposition to further cuts in Medicare.

Democratic negotiators have argued for a straight 10 percent surtax on Americans who earn more than $1 million, rather than limit deductions, but have been unable to convince Republicans.

Opposition to the deductions plan comes chiefly from members representing states with high state income taxes because of the adverse impact it would have on their areas, ''and that leads to political difficulties in getting the votes'' to pass the package, Gephardt said.

The Democrats also want to hold the line on Medicare, which is expected to provide a substantial portion of the savings needed for the deficit reduction package. Nearly all proposals would increase costs for Medicare beneficiaries, but the increases would be less under the House version than under the administration-backed Senate plan.

Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Calif., chairman of the House Budget Committee, said Democrats do not want to go beyond the House figures. That ''is very much a bottom line that we cannot move from,'' he said.

Rostenkowski said Democratic leaders have warned the administration it must compromise further in order to win Democratic votes necessary to pass the budget package in the House, ''but that keeps falling on deaf ears.''

The talks are aimed at reaching an agreement on a package of program spending cuts and tax increases that will help lower the federal budget deficit by $500 billion over the next five years, with about $40 billion in savings in 1991.

The negotiators face a deadline of Wednedsay midnight when a stopgap funding bill will expire and could bring on another government shutdown.

On the campaign trail in Burlington, Vt., Tuesday, President Bush pressed for a budget resolution he said he hopes ''is about to be forthcoming.'' He made no mention of whether he would sign another stopgap funding measure if work is not completed by the deadline.

Bush accused Democrats of bowing to special interests and said he had no choice but to agree to include tax increases as part of any package.

''To come up with any budget at all this year, I had to work with the Democrats who control the Congress ... and that means a budget that isn't the best ever, but the best possible.

The budget package also is expected to include an increase in the federal gasoline tax, but the amount was uncertain. The Senate bill called for the current 9-cent-a-gallon gas tax to rise by 9 1/2 cents a gallon by 1992, while the House version had no increase.

There was apparent agreement over the weekend on raising the top tax rate for the wealthiest from 28 percent to 31 percent.

Doing so would elimiante the so-called bubble in which couples with taxable incomes of $78,400 to $185,750 a year pay a 33 percent tax rate and couples with even higher taxable incomes pay a lower, 28 percent rate on every dollar of taxable income above $185,750.

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ORLANDO, FL (OCT. 23) UPI - The banking industry's dwindling store of credibility has put bankers at a disadvantage at a time when the future of the industry hangs in the balance, the comptroller of the currency said Tuesday.

"The entire legal and regulatory structure for banking is being questioned, and it is being questioned in no small part because the taxpayer refuses to allow a repeat of the thrift crisis," Comptroller Robert Clarke told the American Bankers Association.

"The banking industry joins the discussion of its structure, not from a position of strength but from a position of weakness," he said. "Your reputation as an industry may not do you justice, but in Washington that does not matter because perception is reality."

Also addressing the bankers' convention was William Seidman, chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., who called for reform of the nation's banking laws to allow corporate investment in the banking industry.

The savings and loan crisis is in part to blame for the bankers' loss of credibility, Clarke said, but bankers themselves also are responsible. "The image of (the banking) industry as a whole is more tarnished today than it has been in a half century," Clarke said. "One major reason for this erosion (of credibility) is that banks have done too little and have been too late in acknowledging their losses."

Many of the nation's major banks have been hurt by a softening economy that has soured a portion of their portfolio of commercial real estate loans. Clarke said the nation's small and medium-sized banks are also vulnerable because of their concentration of loans in real estate lending.

The loss of credibility may play into the hands of industry critics - "those who have sought and will continue to seek to constrict competitive opportunties for banking," Clarke said.

"The discussion in Washington on banking's future really comes down to one question: Do we need the banking system we have now? If the answer is yes, a number of alternatives suggest themselves," Clarke said.

Those alternatives include reforms to make commercial banks more competitive by allowing them to offer more products in more locations, imposition of new regulations on the industry or a combination of the two, Clarke said.

To restore the industry's reputation, bankers should focus on building a strong capital base and avoid over-concentration in their loan portfolios, he said. "Banking as an industry must now focus on damage control, whether it wants to or not," Clarke said.

Leaders of the bankers trade group had expressed concern to Clarke Monday about what they perceived as the negative tone of his speech after reviewing an early draft of the remarks. A spokeswoman for the association said it did not ask Clarke to change the speech, however.

Clarke nevertheless told reporters the speech he delivered Tuesday was changed to emphasize his support for the nation's banking industry, but he defended the tone of his address.

"The fact is this is a very difficult time for banking," Clarke said. "I think it is important that everyone recognize that it is a difficult time. There is no sense in denying that."

Later, pointing to a need for "more capital in banking," Seidman said that "we must let corporate America invest. "The separation of commerce and finance is no longer viable or desirable. The bank holding company, a particularly American institution, is as outmoded as the brontosaurus."

Seidman told reporters later that the likelihood such reforms would be adopted by Congress is stronger now than in the past. "I think the bankers are much more receptive to that idea now than they were in the past," Seidman said. "I think bankers know that more capital is needed and that every source ought to be explored, and that corporate America is one of the major sources."

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BOSTON (OCT. 23) UPI - A new technique that uses a tiny balloon to clear blocked fallopian tubes appears to be an effective alternative to surgery for some infertile women who want to become pregnant, researchers said Tuesday.

The procedure, known as transcervical balloon tuboplasty, or TBT, cleared at least one fallopian tube in 71 of 77 women - 92 percent - who underwent treatment, said Dr. Norbert Gleicher of Mount Sinai Hospital Medical Center and Rush Medical College in Chicago.

Blockage of the fallopian tubes, which carry eggs from the ovaries to the uterus, accounts for up to 30 percent of the estimated 1.8 million cases of female infertility in the United States, Gleicher said.

Currently, the condition is most often treated with surgery, he said. However, that can involve ''several hours of surgery under general anesthesia and several days in the hospital,'' said Gleicher. By contrast, the new technique can be done on an outpatient basis under local anesthesia and ''the woman can go home within an hour,'' he said.

Using a method similar to one used by heart specialists to clear blocked arteries, Gleicher and co-researchers threaded a series of three tubes called catheters through the cervix and uterus and then into the portion of the fallopian tube closest to the uterus.

When the third catheter reached the blockage, a balloon at the end was inflated to stretch the fallopian tube and dislodge the obstruction, the research team reported in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

All of the women who underwent the procedure had obstructions in both fallopian tubes. Gleicher said TBT cleared both tubes in 53 women, one tube in

18 and was unsuccessful in the other six.

During a one-year follow-up period, he said 13 women whose tubes had been cleared experienced renewed blockages. Among the rest, 22 became pregnant.

Gleicher said the apparent reasons the women's tubes were blocked varied. Some had evidence of past tubal inflammation and three had endometriosis, a condition in which cells which normally line the uterus implant in unusual places, including the fallopian tubes.

In some of the rest, he said researchers think the blockage was caused by mucous secretions from the fallopian tube that accumulated and became crystallized. ''In most women, these secretions are cleared from the tube, but we think some women have a defect in the clearing mechanism,'' he said.

Only one of the women who became pregnant experienced an ectopic pregnancy, in which the embryo becomes implanted in the fallopian tube rather than the uterus, Gleicher said. Researchers took that as evidence the procedure did not cause tubal damage, he said.

The manufacturer of the equipment the researchers used, C.R. Bard Inc. of Murray Hill, N.J., has applied to the Food and Drug Administration for licensing of the procedure, he said.

''Not everybody with tubal obstruction will be a candidate for this procedure, but for those who qualify, I believe it represents a big advance,'' he said. ''It is cheaper and less traumatic than surgery and almost foolproof. Any gynecologist or radiologist should be able to learn how to do it relatively quickly.''

The next step in research with TBT is to see whether it can be effective in clearing blockages that are farther along the fallopian tubes - away from the uterus - than they were in the initial study, he said.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - 14 Americans who had been held as human shields in Iraq are out. The White House confirms that the Americans headed to Amman, Jordan, on a chartered flight. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater told reporters in Manchester, New Hampshire that the 14 were on a U-S Embassy list of hostages who should be freed for health and humanitarian reasons. Fitzwater had NO explanation for the timing of the release by Baghdad. A Virgin Airways jumbo jet left London for Baghdad today to evacuated 50 elderly and sick Britons.

President Bush is back on the political stump, as he campaigns for Republicans in New England. Bush told a fund-raiser in Burlington, Vermont, that the nation wouldn't be in the budget mess it is if Republicans controlled the

Congress. The president plans to stump for more G-O-P candidates in Manchester New Hampshire, and in Waterbury and Stamford, Connecticut, today.

Ohio Republican Congressman Donald Lukens has NOTHING to say on the advice of counsel. He's to appear today as the House ethics committee looks into new allegations of sexual misconduct against him. Lukens was convicted in May of last year in Ohio on charges of having sexual relations with a teen-aged girl. The conviction was upheld by an appeals court and is now before the Ohio Supreme Court. The new case reportedly involves allegations of sexual advances made to an unnamed congressional employee.

Doctors in Minneapolis say the incorrect listing of a patient's blood type in a computer led to the death of a 47-year-old man given a new heart but with the wrong blood type. The patient was type O, the transplant heart was type A. The operation was performed on October 11th and anti-rejection drugs controlled the mismatch for seven days before the patient's body eventually attacked and rejected the new heart. Doctors put out a call for a second heart but NONE became available in time.

A new national report just out says the message to say ''NO'' to drugs is still NOT getting through to many school children... despite drug awareness lectures from parents, teachers, bumper stickers and commercials. A telephone poll of about 500 fifth and sixth graders reveals that 34 percent of fifth graders and half of the sixth graders know kids who smoke, drink or use drugs.

Wrong-way Humphrey is at it again. The humpback whale that wandered through California's inland waterways five years ago is stuck on a mud flat in San Francisco Bay. The endangered whale was spotted yesterday stuck on mud flats. He seemed to swim free but is stuck again in two- and-a-half feet of water. Attempts to tow him out by boat have failed, so rescuers may use a crane. One researcher says Humphrey ''is always the odd man out'' among whales.

Sunrise will arrive one hour earlier Sunday morning when clocks are turned back one hour. The change will come at 2 a-m, local time, when seven months of daylight savings time gives way to standard time. And while you're changing your clocks, firefighters want you to replace the batteries in your smoke detectors. Firefighting organizations say that as many as half of all smoke detectors have old or dead batteries.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - President Bush and the Saudi Arabian government teamed up Tuesday to try to shoot down what was seen to be a trial balloon for a negotiated, partial solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Both U.S. and Saudi officials insisted that Iraq should not be rewarded for its aggression and must withdraw unconditionally from Kuwait.

Prince Sultan Ibn Abdel-Aziz, the Saudi minister of defense in talks with Arab journalists Sunday, was quoted as suggesting that ''territorial, brotherly concessions - given willingly - are a matter of pride for the Arab nation.''

On the interpretation that this was an opening for a call for a negotiated settlement in which Kuwait would give Iraq access to a deep- sea port, the price of oil dropped $5 a barrel Monday on world markets.

But the Saudi Arabian ambassador, Prince Bandar Bin Sultan, who is Sultan's son, told reporters at the State Department Tuesday:

''There has been absolutely no change in Saudi policy. There has been absolutely no softening in our policy. Saudi Arabia is not suggesting there should be concessions by anybody.''

He said that any territorial concessions are a matter for Kuwait to decide, but the Saudi position is that there should be no concessions to Iraq until there is a total, unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait in accordance with U.N. and Arab League resolutions.

''Aggression shouldn't be rewarded,'' said Bandar, adding, ''What we want is total, unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait by Iraq.''

President Bush, in Manchester, N.H., also hammered the no-compromise theme. ''The world is united and I want to tell you that I am more determined than ever to see that this invading dictator gets out of Kuwait - with no compromise of any kind whatsoever,'' said Bush.

Campaigning in Burlington, Vt., Bush answered the growing protest in the United States against his gulf policy with an impassioned defense of U.S. actions, and again ruled out ''compromise - any compromise'' with Saddam.

''I saw some signs coming in here that said 'no war for oil,''' Bush said of an estimated 100 protesters who picketed outside a GOP fund- raiser. ''I can understand the sentiment by some of those young people. But I would simply say that the rape and the dismantling, the systematic dismantling of Kuwait defies description.''

Bandar spent 85 minutes with Secretary of State James Baker Tuesday morning, beginning the session with an explanation of Sultan's remarks and the insistence that there is no change in Saudi policy.

Asked if Baker accepted Bandar's explanation, spokewswoman Margaret Tutwiler said, ''Yes.''

She said that only four minutes in the 85-minute Bandar-Baker session was devoted to the furor that followed Sultan's remarks. She said the main issue

in the meeting was the future of the multinational force in Saudi Arabia, responsibility-sharing for the costs of maintaining that force, and the enforcement of the sanctions against Iraq.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Ratners Group PLC, a major British jewelry retailer, said Tuesday that shareholders of Kay Jewelers Inc. approved a merger with Ratners.

Under the merger, expected to take effect Friday, the Alexandria, Va.-based Kay chain will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Ratners, making the parent company the second-largest specialty retailer of fine jewelry in the United States, the company said.

Chairman and managing director Gerald I. Ratner said the acquisition, the largest ever completed by Ratners, ''provides the opportunity to capitalize on Kay's well-known trade names, including Kay Jewelers and J.B. Robinson, prime real estate locations and existing customer loyalty.''

As it has in the United Kingdom, the long-term growth rate in specialty retail jewelry market in the United States ''has exceed other sectors of the retail market,'' said Ratner.

He said that performance has been driven by increased purchases by women, particularly working women, and by the greater number of two- income households, which have more disposable income.

Kay shareholders will receive a new convertible preferred American Depositary Share of Ratners for each Kay common share they hold. The new Ratners preferred shares will pay cash dividends at an annual rate of $1.06.

Each of these convertible preferred shares represents three ordinary shares of Ratners. The convertible preferred shares are expected to begin trading on the NASDAQ over-the-counter market on or about Oct. 29, the company said.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year erlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Allegheny Ludlum (3rd Q)	
$270,770,000	$267,047,000
$16,960,000 (.51)	$34,074,000 (1.01)

Ametek Inc (3rd Q)
$165,186,000 $146,559,000
$8,847,000 (.20) $8,778,000 (.20)

Arctic Alaska Fisheries (3rd Q)
$43,605,000 $33,867,000
$1,621,000 (.10) $1,411,000 (.10)

Athlone Indus (3rd Q)
$60,572,000 $58,170,000
a-$1,754,000 (.28) $1,162,000 (.15)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Banta Corp (3rd Q)
$155,325,000 a-$135,257,000
b-$8,857,000 (.69) $7,546,000 (.59)
a-Restated to reflect discontinued operations.
b-Income from continuing operations.

Borden Chem & Plastic (3rd Q 9-28)
$101,740,000 $103,413,000
$11,667,000 (.31) $11,001,000 (.30)

Centex Corp (2nd Q 9-30)
$601,921,000 $521,312,000
$14,600,000 (.95) $15,644,000 (1.01)

Colonial Cos (3rd Q)
....
$7,682,000 (.51) $7,853,000 (.52)

Commerce Clearing House (3rd Q)
$145,926,000 $136,808,000
ad-$1,101,000 d-$2,534,000
ad-Deficit, includes a pre-tax gain of
$1,100,000 on the sale of an euity investment.

Crystal Brands (3rd Q)
$243,865,000 $256,230,000
$12,432,000 (1.37) a-$11,465,000 (1.27)
a-Includes income of $90,000 from discontinued operations.

CT Financial (3rd Q)
....
$55,794,000 (.43) $62,098,000 (.51)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Danaher Corp (3rd Q 9-28)
$229,932,000 $184,237,000
$11,791,000 (.40) $10,673,000 (.45)

Fedders Corp (3rd Q)
$20,859,000 $60,509,000
d-$5,155,000 $2,440,000 (.13)
d-Deficit.

FirstFed Financial (3rd Q)
....
$6,715,000 (.77) $6,154,000 (.70)

Florida Public Utils (3rd Q)
$15,340,000 $14,622,000
$36,000 (.03) $100,000 (.09)

Foremost Corp Amer (3rd Q)
....
a-$5,304,000 (.45) $967,000 (.08)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Genuine Parts (3rd Q)
$862,288,000 $814,163,000
$52,141,000 (.68) $50,257,000 (.65)

Imperial Oil (3rd Q)
$2,836,000,000 $2,673,000,000
a-$194,000,000 (1.01) $112,000,000 (.59)
a-Includes an after-tax gain from
divestments of $7,000,000, including a $9,000,
000 gain from Natural Resources
divestments and a $2,000,000 loss from the
sale of Interhome Energy Inc.
b-Includes an after-tax gain of $3,000,000
from divestment of Natural Resources.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Interface Inc (3rd Q)
$150,772,000 $141,051,000
$5,651,000 (.33) $5,750,000 (.33)

Johnson & Johnson (3rd Q)
$2,869,000,000 $2,451,000,000
$314,000,000 (.94) $265,000,000 (.80)

Kerr-McGee Corp (3rd Q)
$986,200,000 $749,900,000

a-$43,100,000 (.86) $18,900,000 (.39)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Landmark Bancshares (3rd Q)
....
d-$9,165,000 $3,676,000 (.55)
d-Deficit.

Martin Marietta (3rd Q)
$1,491,695,000 $1,423,105,000
a-$108,770,000 (2.16) $87,286,000 (1.65)
a-Includes a non-recurring gain on the sale
of Florida real estate and positive effect of a
favorable in legal dispute related to the 1989
sale of a cement plant. Together, these items added (.25) to results.

McDonald's (3rd Q)
$1,816,200,000 $1,631,800,000
$242,200,000 (.67) $217,900,000 (.59)

McDonnell Douglas (3rd Q)
$4,179,000,000 $3,706,000,000
a-$247,000,000 (6.44) $35,000,000 (.90)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Melville Corp (3rd Q 9-29)
$2,023,033,000 $1,830,658,000
$64,272,000 (.59) $74,111,000 (.62)

Mobil Corp (3rd Q)
$16,308,000,000 $13,462,000,000
$379,000,000 (.89) $532,000,000 (1.30)

Pogo Producing (3rd Q)
$25,690,000 $29,137,000
d-$2,777,000 d-$1,886,000
d-Deficit.

Presidential Life (3rd Q)
....
$13,065,000 (.46) a-$12,724,000 (.45)
a-Reflects a (.02) investment gain.

Price T Rowe (3rd Q)
$44,608,000 $40,273,000
$6,662,000 (.45) $7,738,000 (.52)

South Jersey Indus (3rd Q)

$48,519,000 $36,479,000
ad-$767,000 d-$1,111,000
ad-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

Sun Distributors LP (3rd Q)
$151,000,000 $144,000,000
$6,300,000 (.57) $5,600,000 (.50)

USG Corp (3rd Q)
$538,000,000 $560,000,000
d-$11,000,000 $9,000,000 (.16)
d-Deficit.

USLIFE Corp (3rd Q)
$307,090,000 $299,501,000
$17,680,000 (1.10) $21,262,000 (1.21)

West Co (3rd Q)
$76,863,000 $69,426,000
$1,657,000 (.11) $3,244,000 (.20)

Wynn's Intl (3rd Q)
$71,651,000 $72,780,000
$1,593,000 (.42) $1,221,000 (.32)

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Frederick Joseph, the former chief executive officer of Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., testified Tuesday that Michael Milken and other members of Drexel's junk-bond department may have violated the firm's rules by giving preferential treatment to employees of Drexel clients.

The testimony came in the seventh day of Milken's presentencing hearing in U.S. District Court. The former head of Drexel's junk-bond department, who was convicted in April of six counts of insider trading, faces a maximum jail term of 28 years.

The government contends Milken bribed money managers and corporate executives to buy risky securities in the 1985 Drexel-financed buyout of Storer Communications Inc. by selling them lucrative equity interests in Storer.

The investments were made through MacPherson Partners, a limited partnership whose members included major Drexel customers as well as a trust fund for Milken's children.

Appearing for the first time as a witness against his former star employee,

Joseph said the partnership appeared to violate a company policy against giving preferential treatment to employees of investor accounts.

''We had a written policy that you could not give favored treatment to employees of investor accocunts,'' Joseph said. ''I think the opportunity to buy the equity in Storer without a related commitment to purchase the securities constituted favorable treatment.''

The former Drexel chief said Milken may have violated another Drexel policy by not disclosing that a trust fund set up for the children of Milken and his brother Lowell, who was also an executive in Drexel's high-yield department, had invested in MacPherson.

Joseph - who, unlike many other government witnesses, was appearing without immunity from prosecution - said he did not become aware of the existence of MacPherson until late 1988.

He said he was ''troubled'' when he learned that major Drexel clients had participated in the partnership. But when he asked if money managers whose companies were clients of Drexel had participated in the deal, Milken denied it, Joseph said.

Under cross-examination by defense attorney Arthur Liman, Joseph acknowledged that members of his own family had invested in another Drexel-sponsored partnership predating the Storer deal which made a lucrative profit on its investments.

Joseph, who repeatedly said he could not remember details of the events surrounding the Storer deal, also acknowledged that Milken was not responsible for making disclosures related to company employees and their investments.

Under questioning by Liman, Joseph also said that in 1986 he became increasingly concerned about the pressure on Milken and his department.

''Michael's workaholic habits were well known. He was the most valuable member of the firm, and I was worried he would burn out,'' he said.

Richard Grassgreen, who resigned last week as chairman of Enstar Group Inc., was expected to testify Tuesday afternoon. Grassgreen, who was a member of the MacPherson Partnership, agreed to plead guilty on Monday to two felony counts related to his dealings with Drexel.

Milken himself may testify later this week if the government agrees to grant the former junk-bond king immunity from further prosecution, his attorney said.

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THE HAGUE (OCT. 23) UPI - South African President Frederik de Klerk said Tuesday his government sought universal suffrage in South Africa but with clear safeguards for the rights of minorities in the country.

De Klerk, who was in Holland on the first day of a three-day official visit to the Netherlands, is the first South African head of government to visit the estranged Dutch fatherland in 42 years of apartheid rule.

''This is one of the most important days of my life since I am in the home of my ancestors,'' De Klerk told reporters in his native Afrikaans, a close derivative of Dutch.

De Klerk's visit came after decades of cool relations between South Africa and the country whose traders fostered the African state in the 1590s.

De Klerk, 54, arrived at Valkenberg airforce base in southern Holland Tuesday morning.

''The South African government wants a new constitution,'' de Klerk said.

''We want a constitution in which all people in South Africa, irrespective of race and color have voting rights. But we must also have effective protection of the rights of minorities,'' de Klerk added.

''But it is difficult for me and my government to say when the new constitution will be realized because everything depends on the willingness of the black leaders to cooperate,'' he said.

The South African President spoke to reporters after extensive talks Tuesday afternoon with Holland's Prime Minister Ruud Lubbers and members of his Cabinet.

''The discussions were held in a good atmosphere,'' Dutch Foreign Minister Van den Broek told United Press International after the talks, adding he admired ''de Klerk's courage in beginning the process (of reconciliation) in South Africa.''

De Klerk said news of an impending meeting between African National Congress deputy leader Nelson Mandela and Zulu Chief Mangosutho Buthelezi was a ''positive sign'' in attempts to resolve black strife in South Africa.

''I am pleased that they have finally got together and am anxious to know what the outcome will be. But it is too early to tell whether this is the beginning of a reconciliation between the black groups,'' de Klerk said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney will recommend that the $8.4 billion military construction bill be vetoed if Congress fails to restore money to build a new NATO base at Crotone, Italy, a spokesman said Tuesday.

''We feel very strongly that Crotone is very important to preserve,'' Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said.

At the same time, Cheney will recommend that President Bush sign the $288.3 billion defense authorization bill for fiscal 1991 despite deep spending cuts in the Strategic Defense Initiative or ''Star Wars'' program, Williams said.

Williams quoted Cheney as calling it a ''pretty good deal'' despite not getting all the money or the specific program funding levels he requested.

In the military construction bill, the administration had sought $500 million as the U.S. contribution to NATO to build the new air base for the Air Force's 401st Tactical Fighter Wing.

The 401st must leave its current base at Torrejon, Spain, because the Spanish government, though a NATO member, no longer wants the American fighters in the country.

The $500 million for Crotone was deleted from the military construction bill, largely by those in Congress who contend it is no longer needed in a time of improving U.S.-Soviet relations.

The deletion may be challenged on the Senate floor.

Williams said Crotone is needed to protect NATO's southern flank once the U.S. fighters leave Torrejon. Other defense officials have privately noted that the base would be strategically located near the Middle East.

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RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 23) UPI - Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, consulted Tuesday with senior U.S. and Saudi commanders and said he was satisfied with the 77-day-old troop deployment.

Powell arrived late Monday and conferred with the head of the Central Command, Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, both Monday night and Tuesday morning and visited troops at a base whose location could not be disclosed. He also consulted in Jeddah with the Saudi defense minster, Prince Sultan, and then flew to Brussels, Belgium.

Powell declined comment on a report that Pentagon planners believe two additional tank divisions are necessary.

He said he was ''enormously pleased'' with the deployment effort that in 77 days has seen the U.S. presence in the region soar from about 10, 000 sailors to about 200,000 U.S. personnel.

An aide said that Powell got ''an update from the operations and intelligence and logistics people'' during his visit to Central Command headquarters.

Powell said he had seen reports that Iraqi troops were moving back from earlier positions in Kuwai, ''But I have no evidence that would substantiate them.''

''The Iraqi forces still remain very solidly in Kuwait in the numbers we have been reporting all along and frankly, I have not seen any evidence of withdrawal,'' Powell said.

Powell said that although he talks with Schwarzkopf daily, at the meetings in Riyadh all the plans were reviwed ''and ... we examined every possible ocntingency with which we might be faced.''

An aide said the meetings provided ''an update from the operations and intelligence and logistics people.''

Powell said his talks with Sultan would cover ''the status of the buildup, the support being provoided by the Saudi government, the situation in Kuwait and a general review of all the plans.''

Powell last visited Saudi Arabia on Sept. 9 and on that visit did not meet with any Saudi officials.

Of the deployment, Powell said that in 77 days ''we have gone from roughly 10,000 sailors at sea to well over 200,000 ... It's gone extremely well.''

He said there were concerns early on about the clash of Western and Saudi culture but ''there have been very few incidents.''

He said he was ''very satisfied at the operational rates of the equipment and ... the morale seems to be good.''

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CHICAGO (OCT. 23) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Tuesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	76.40	77.35	76.40	77.32	76.75

Feb 73.35 74.47 73.35 74.37 73.97
Apr 74.70 75.12 74.45 74.90 74.90
Jun 72.25 72.75 72.25 72.55 72.52
Aug 70.75 71.20 70.70 70.80 70.90
Oct 71.10 71.50 71.10 71.20 71.25 Est. sales 15,657 contracts; Monday 10,542; open interest 63,284 up 600.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb
Oct 86.65 87.20 86.55 87.17 86.80
Nov 85.25 86.35 85.25 86.25 85.82
Jan 83.75 84.75 83.65 84.67 84.47
Mar 82.50 83.45 82.50 83.35 83.20
Apr 81.80 82.60 81.80 82.57 82.52
May 81.22 81.90 81.22 81.65 81.60
Aug 80.50 80.50 80.50 80.50 80.50 Est. sales 1,906 contracts; Monday 1,010; open interest 11,071 off 195.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
Dec 54.00 54.70 53.85 54.20 53.75
Feb 50.75 51.57 50.65 50.85 50.75
Apr 47.60 48.15 47.50 47.57 47.47
Jun 51.10 51.70 51.10 51.20 51.07
Jly 51.45 51.85 51.45 51.55 51.35
Aug 49.95 50.17 49.95 50.17 49.95
Oct .... 45.45 .... 45.45 45.40 Est. sales 6,268 contracts; Monday 5,364; open interest 24,075 up 116.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 65.85 67.50 65.45 66.85 65.75
Mar 65.57 67.25 65.35 66.80 65.57
May 65.65 67.45 65.60 66.90 65.82
Jly 66.00 66.60 64.80 65.70 64.85
Aug 63.90 63.90 63.00 63.20 62.30 Est. sales 3,995 contracts; Monday 2,464; open interest 8,274 off 25.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Tuesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 124.81 up 54 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 124.14 up 48 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 116.29 up 35 cents, 700-850 lbs. 115.01 up 49 cents.

Pork carlot trading moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins mostly 4.50 lower; Boston butts were not tested; skinned hams mostly 3.00 lower; seedless bellies 2.00 lower; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 109.50-111.50; hams 20-26 lbs. 95.00-100.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 53.00, 12-14 lbs. 53.00-55.00, 14-16 lbs. 53.00- 55.00, 16-18 lbs. 53.00-53.75.

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ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (OCT. 23) UPI - Tight security was in force nationwide Tuesday and gunmen killed a candidate on the eve of general elections viewed as a referendum on President Ghulam Ishaq Khan's decision to dismiss the government of Benazir Bhutto.

Ishaq Khan, in a broadcast address to the nation, issued a veiled appeal to voters to reject Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party at Wednesday's elections.

''It happens that the masses first lovingly bring some people to power and then, within a short period, turn against them,'' the president said in an apparent reference to Bhutto's ousted 20-month administration.

''The reason for the gradual withdrawal of their support is either that the rulers disregard their mandate or that the people make an initial error of judgment in the choice of their representatives,'' he said. ''So representatives should be carefully selected on the basis of their character and abilities.''

The president also reiterated at length some of his reasons for dismissing Bhutto and her government and dissolving the National Assembly.

Ishaq Khan took the action on Aug. 6, accusing Bhutto of corruption, nepotism and of failing to maintain law and order. He appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi to head an interim government until the elections he set for Oct. 24.

The president also set up special disqualification courts to try Bhutto and members of her administration on corruption charges in what observers believe was a bid to bar her from the elections.

Ishaq Khan on Tuesday filed charges that Bhutto set up a placement bureau that was used to find jobs for thousands of unqualified people. The charges bring to seven the cases against Bhutto in the courts.

Many believe Ishaq Khan's actions were inspired by the army, which has run Pakistan for more than half of its 43-year history and which had been in conflict with Bhutto's democratic government.

Tens of thousands of security personnel were duty throughout the country to guard against election violence. They included some 48,000 troops in violence-torn southern Sind Province, where caretaker Prime Minister Jatoi has warned that ''foreign-trained terrorists'' were seeking to create trouble on election day.

Meanwhile, gunmen shot and killed a candidate of the Islamic Democratic Alliance, a loose coalition of parties opposed to Bhutto, in the eastern city of Sialkot, state-run Pakistan Television said. On Monday, six PPP workers

were shot and killed in Sialkot.

Most projections show the PPP will emerge as the single largest party from Wednesday's vote but without an overall majority, and that the IDA will be able to cobble together a coalition government with the help of minor parties and independents.

However, most commentators say an IDA coalition government, founded largely on opposition to Bhutto, may not survive long and that the country could again be going to the polls within a year.

Analysts say the attempts to malign Bhutto and keep her from returning to power have instead evoked a wave of sympathy for the 37- year-old daughter of hanged Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto.

Bhutto has drawn massive crowds at rallies across the country in an outpouring of support many observers say exceeds that of the campaign for the November 1988 elections. The PPP won those elections, the first democratic polls in the country since 1977.

But analysts say accusations by IDA leaders that Bhutto was to blame for this month's suspension of U.S. aid and that she is sympathetic to India and Israel may have cost her some support.

About 48 million of Pakistan's 110 million people are eligible to vote for 1,331 candidates to 217 National Assembly seats in the elections. Some 32,000 polling stations have been set up throughout the country.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 23) UPI - The race for Cook County sheriff, a hot contest pitting a former Chicago police chief against a former police officer, turned bloody early Tuesday when one campaign worker was shot and critically wounded.

Irving Bell, 34, was shot during what police described as a political argument with at least one man outside a South Side tavern.

Bell was in the intensive care unit at Christ Hospital and Medical Center in Oak Lawn in critical condition, a hospital spokesman said.

Bell, accompanied by four or five other people, either was hanging campaign posters for Democrat Michael Sheahan or defacing posters of incumbent Republican Jim O'Grady.

An O'Grady spokesman charged Bell was defacing O'Grady posters. Sheahan called on O'Grady to ''call off his thugs and goons from the street.''

Police questioned three suspects in the incident, including John E. Magett, 47 a sheriff's department investigator.

''Magett's gun has not been fired, as far as we know,'' said John Neven, a spokesman for the O'Grady campaign. ''We know that Irving Bell did draw his gun but we don't know who drew first.''

Police Sgt. Philip Michaels said the incident occurred about 3 a.m. Two men came out of the tavern and exchanged words with Bell and one told the other to shoot Bell. The second man then allegedly pulled a gun from an ankle holster and fired, Michaels said.

After he was shot, Bell ran into the street and was hit by a car, Michaels said.

''Apparently, it wasn't that big an argument,'' Michaels said. ''They just came out and, after a few words, started shooting.''

O'Grady spokesman Larry Horist said Bell or one of his companions brandished a crowbar and approached one of the O'Grady supporters.

''That's not to justify the shooting but when you're sending thugs out, this kind of thing is going to happen,'' Horist said, adding that other O'Grady campaign workers had been harassed by Sheahan supporters.

O'Grady said his office is helping in the investigation and called on Sheahan to ''cease and desist from hooliganism.''

''It's led now to some bloodshed and I don't want it to go any further,'' O'Grady said.

''I would like him (Sheahan) to make a statement to his people that this must stop. It's just carrying a case of running for office too much in the wrong direction.''

''A young man's life is more important than any campaign or office,'' Sheahan told a news conference. ''His (O'Grady's) supporters should realize this is a campaign, not a war.''

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 23) UPI - Zephania Mothopheng, one of South Africa's most prominent political activists who broke with the African National Congress in 1959 and helped form the exclusively black Pan Africanist Congress, died Tuesday, hospital officials said. He was 78.

Mothopheng, a close friend of ANC leader Nelson Mandela and a long- serving

political prisoner, was admitted to Johannesburg General Hospital eight days ago with thyroid cancer, medical sources said.

Named president of the radical PAC in 1986 while still serving a 15- year term for inciting anti-government unrest, Mothopeng was released in November 1988 after nine years by then President Pieter W. Botha on health grounds.

The PAC hailed Mothopeng in a statement as the ''Lion of Azania,'' invoking the Black Consciousness name for a post-apartheid South Africa. It also lauded him for demanding a new constitution be drafted by a non- racial constituent assembly.

The ANC, in a statement issued by veteran member Walter Sisulu, said Mothopeng's death had left ''the people of South Africa, especially the oppressed, much poorer.''

''Comrade Zeph, as he was popularly known, was an ardent opponent of the apartheid system and a patriot dedicated to the liberation of our country,'' Sisulu said.

U.S. Ambassador William Swing, in a message of condolences, said in Pretoria Mothopeng ''spent his entire adult life in the forefront of the struggle against apartheid and in the effort to build a just society in South Africa.''

Mothopeng had strongly criticized the ANC's willingness to meet the white minority government before apartheid is abolished in its entirety, but the PAC is considering a government invitation to join preliminary power-sharing talks.

Both the PAC and the ANC were unbanned after 30 years as illegal organizations in February by President Frederik de Klerk at the launch of his racial reform program. Although the ANC announced in August a suspension of its armed struggle in a goodwill gesture to de Klerk, the more radical and racially exclusive PAC has refused to renounce the strategy.

A high school teacher by training, Mothopeng also served six years imprisonment in the 1960s for inciting black uprisings and was repeatedly detained and placed under house arrest. The PAC, the main rival of the ANC, has maintained that prolonged detentions and ''repeated government harassment'' exacerbated his ill health.

Born in the conservative Orange Free State province, Mothopeng was a member of the multi-racial ANC until he and other Black Consciousness activists broke away in 1959 to form the PAC.

He is survived by a wife, three sons and a daughter.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 23) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.62 1/2	2.63 3/4	2.61 1/4	2.63 1/2	2.63 1/4
Mar	2.77 1/4	2.78 1/2	2.76	2.78	2.77 1/2
May	2.84 1/4	2.85 1/2	2.83	2.85	2.85
Jly	2.89 1/4	2.89 3/4	2.87 1/2	2.89 1/4	2.89 1/2
Sep	2.93 1/2	2.94	2.92 1/2	2.93	2.94
Dec	3.04	3.05	3.04	3.05	3.04 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.30	2.31 3/4	2.29 1/4	2.31 3/4	2.30 1/4
Mar	2.39 1/4	2.41	2.38 3/4	2.41	2.39 3/4
May	2.45	2.47	2.44 1/2	2.46 3/4	2.45 3/4
Jly	2.49 1/2	2.51	2.48 3/4	2.50 3/4	2.49 3/4
Sep	2.48 1/2	2.48 1/2	2.47 3/4	2.48 3/4	2.48
Dec	2.48 3/4	2.50 1/2	2.48 1/4	2.50 1/4	2.49
Mar	2.57	2.57	2.57	2.57	2.55 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.24	1.24 1/4	1.23	1.24	1.24 1/4
Mar	1.34 1/4	1.34 1/2	1.33 1/4	1.34 1/2	1.34 1/2
May	1.41	1.41 1/4	1.39 3/4	1.41 1/4	1.41 1/2
Jly	1.46 1/2	1.47	1.45 1/4	1.47	1.46 3/4
Sep	1.51	1.53	1.51	1.48	1.52 3/4
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	6.09	6.15	6.05	6.14 1/2	6.10 3/4
Jan	6.24	6.30	6.20 1/4	6.29 1/4	6.25 1/2
Mar	6.38	6.44 1/2	6.34	6.43 3/4	6.39 1/2
May	6.49	6.58	6.47	6.56 1/2	6.50 1/2
Jly	6.59	6.67 1/2	6.57 1/4	6.66	6.60 1/2
Aug	6.57	6.61	6.56 1/2	6.65	6.57
Sep	6.34 1/2	6.34 1/2	6.34 1/2	6.35 3/4	6.33
Nov	6.23 1/2	6.28	6.22 1/2	6.26 1/2	6.23 1/2
Jan	6.36	6.37	6.36	6.37	6.35
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Dec	22.07	22.34	21.97	22.33	22.07
Jan	22.39	22.70	22.26	22.65	22.36
Mar	22.83	23.12	22.73	23.11	22.83
May	23.22	23.45	23.05	23.45	23.19
Jul	23.38	23.65	23.25	23.65	23.39
Aug	23.40	23.55	23.30	23.55	23.40

Sep	23.25	23.45	23.15	23.45	23.32
Oct	22.95	23.25	22.90	23.25	23.02
Dec	22.70	23.20	22.70	23.17	22.75

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	185.00	185.50	182.30	185.40	185.30
Jan	187.00	187.70	184.80	187.60	187.60
Mar	190.00	191.50	188.80	191.40	190.80
May	191.70	193.00	190.30	192.90	191.90
Jul	192.50	194.00	191.80	194.00	193.30
Aug	193.50	193.50	192.30	193.20	193.20
Sep	189.80	189.80	189.00	189.10	189.00
Oct	....	....	....	186.70	186.00
Dec	186.20	188.00	186.20	188.00	186.70

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CAIRO, EGYPT (OCT. 23) UPI - An Iraqi diplomat scoffed Tuesday at a Kuwaiti newspaper report that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had a dream in which an Islamic spiritual leader told him he should withdraw from Kuwait and dismissed the report as ''wishful thinking.''

The Kuwaiti newsletter Al Azma, published in Saudi Arabia, reported earlier this week that the regional command of Iraq's Ruling Baath Socialist Party had distributed leaflets at mosques in Iraq and Kuwait.

The newsletter did not mention the Prophet Mohammed.

The leaflets said Saddam saw Ali bin Abee Talib, the fourth Islamic Khalifa or Moslem spiritual leader, as telling him to stop fighting Moslems and direct his weapons against ''the enemy of Islam Israel.''

But an Iraqi diplomat in the Middle East dismissed the Kuwaiti report as cheap propaganda.

''The report is nonsense and a cheap propoganda against President Saddam Hussein and the Iraqi people,'' the diplomat told United Press International.

The newsletter said Saddam called an urgent meeting of prominent religious leaders after his dream and the meeting lasted until the early hours of Saturday.

Al Azma quoted unnamed sources as saying, ''Saddam has promised to withdraw from Kuwait in accordance to religious considerations and the order of the Khalifa Ali.''

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(OCT. 23) UPI - 14 Americans held hostage in Iraq as human shields against possible attack left Baghdad today. U-S officials say the Americans departed on a plane headed for Amman, Jordan. The White House says Iraqi President Saddam Hussein promised to free 14 Americans in a meeting in Baghdad earlier this week.

Also today, a Virgin Airways jumbo jet landed in Iraq to evacuate some ailing and sick Britons after an appeal by former British prime minister Edward Heath. And in another development, the United States today warned Americans hiding in Kuwait NOT to comply with an Iraqi order to register with Iraqi authorities, saying they could put themselves ''at risk.''

On Capitol Hill, House Democrats are split on a proposed budget package. Half of the Democrats oppose the Republican plan to hike taxes on the rich and to increase costs in Medicare. But Democratic leaders say they don't have enough support to pass the plan and are prepared to resume negotiations with Republicans, the Senate and the administration.

The House ethics panel is considering new allegations against Ohio Representative Donald Lukens. The Republican congressman was convicted last year for having sex with a teen-age girl. Now, the panel wants Lukens to answer new charges of sexual misconduct involving sexual advances to a congressional employee.

President Bush was stumping for Republicans today in Vermont, New Hampshire and Connecticut. He told a morning fund-raiser in Burlington, Vermont, that Congress wouldn't be in the mess it's in today if there were more Republicans elected. Bush has fewer Republicans in the House than any G-O-P president this century and Democrats also reign in the Senate.

Explosions tore through two oil companies in Manila today... causing NO injuries but prompting Philippine troops to go on alert. The blasts come on the eve of a general strike called by left-wing unions. Laborers demand wage increases to make up for gas prices hiked by the Persian Gulf crisis.

A report from Berlin says East German school teachers who want to work in what used to be West Germany must repeat teachers' exams... but those who stay in the East can keep teaching. One educator who left the communist East before unification says teachers are ''being punished for their courage and logic.''

Pre-trial arguments begin today in Roanoke, Virginia, in a lawsuit to decide whether a young woman can attend all-male Virginia Military Institute. The Justice Department says ''yes''... but the state and a school fund-raising arm say ''NO''. A female attorney general is leading the state's fight to keep women out of V-M-I.

Three Philadelphia police sergeants have been demoted because they are too fat. The three passed a battery of tests and were promoted to sergeant in April. But the promotion required that they lose weight in the next six months. All of the officers weigh more than 280 pounds... and NONE came close to their goals for weight loss.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Gold futures closed Tuesday 150 to 160 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	371.00	371.20	371.00	371.20	369.60
Nov	371.30	....	....	371.70	370.20
Dec	373.50	376.30	372.40	373.90	372.40
Feb	377.80	379.20	376.50	378.00	376.50
Apr	382.00	382.30	380.50	381.70	380.20
Jun	384.50	385.80	384.50	385.70	384.10
Aug	391.00	391.00	389.60	389.60	388.00
Oct	393.10	....	....	393.60	392.00
Dec	398.50	398.50	397.50	397.70	396.10
Feb	401.70	....	....	402.20	400.60
Apr	407.30	407.30	406.40	406.40	404.80
Jun	412.10	412.10	410.90	410.90	409.30
Aug	415.20	....	....	415.70	414.10

Open interest: 114,083 up 731.

Estimated sales: 30,000 contracts.

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ORLANDO, FLA (OCT. 23) UPI - The nationwide average price of self-service gasoline inched up to $1.38 a gallon in the past week, while prices for other grades decreased slightly, the American Automobile Association said Tuesday.

The average price for a gallon of self-service regular gas rose 0.1 cents to $1.38, while mid-grade self-service unleaded declined 0.5 cents to $1.464 and premium unleaded dropped 0.3 cents to $1.548, the AAA said.

The average price of gasoline has risen 30.5 cents since Aug. 1, the day before Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, the AAA said. The highest price ever recorded by the AAA for self-service regular was $1.388 a gallon, just before the 1981 Easter weekend.

The ''fuel gauge survey,'' which is based on a nationwide spot check of stations for AAA by Computer Petroleum Inc., found the largest price increase

was in New England, while prices decreased most in the Southeast and mid-Atlantic regions, the AAA said.

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PARIS (OCT. 23) UPI - France indicated Tuesday it would accept an Iraqi offer to release up to 400 French hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait but would not drop its support for U.N. resolutions demanding Baghdad's forces withdraw from Kuwaiti territory.

Prime Minister Michel Rocard held a meeting of representatives of the main parliamentary parties to discuss the hostage issue. The meeting ended a short time before the Iraqi News Agency reported the Iraqi Parliament had voted to free all French hostages.

Bernard Stasi, a leader of the Social Democratic Center Party quoted Rocard as having stressed ''that there would be negotiations with Iraq'' and that the release of French captives would be ''a unilateral decision on the part of Iraq.''

''One will accept the return of the hostages, but France will remain faithful to the resolutions voted by the U.N.,'' Stasi quoted Rocard as saying.

In all, some 67 French are believed to have been taken to strategic sites to be used as human shields, some 212 others are trapped in Baghdad and elsewhere in Iraq and some 100 are thought to be in Kuwait.

Elysee Palace spokesman Hubert Vedrine declined to comment on the Iraqi Parliament decision and there was no other immediate official response.

Earlier Tuesday, the Foreign Ministry said it would not negotiate the release of the hostages and would view their release as the ''reparation'' of ''an inadmissible act.''

''Whatever happens the problem of the invasion and occupation of Kuwait will remain,'' the French Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

In another sign of Iraq wooing French public opinion, right-wing extremist Jean-Marie Le Pen's National Front Party said a delegation of the group would leave for Baghdad in the next few hours ''at the invitation of Iraqi authorities.''

The National Front repeatedly has opposed government policy against Iraq.

The Iraqi announcement was made a few hours after France said it was reinforcing its forces in Saudi Arabia with 500 more soldiers as well as extra tanks and helicopters.

The first contingent of troops was preparing to leave for the Middle East Tuesday from the southern port of Toulon for the six-day voyage to Saudi Arabia, the sources added.

Aside from the 500 new soldiers, France is also sending some 20 additional helicopters, including a Gazelle combat model equipped with anti-tank missiles and Puma transport vehicles, to join the 5th Regiment of combat helicopters in the city of Roi Khaled in northeast Saudi Arabia.

Two squadrons of 12 AMX-10RC tanks will also be shipped in the coming days as part of a buildup requested by French generals when President Francois Mitterrand visited Saudi Arabia earlier this month.

The military says the additional men and equipment are necessary to better protect French troops stationed near the Kuwaiti border and to insure their technical autonomy from other Western forces deployed in Saudi Arabia.

France is among several countries participating in a U.S.-led international force deployed in response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The military reinforcement comes just one day after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein asked his country's Parliament to ''consider'' releasing French nationals still being held in Iraq and Kuwait.

France sold massive quantities of arms to Iraq during its eight-year war against Iran, becoming Baghdad's second largest military supplier after the Soviet Union.

Political analysts in Paris described the latest Iraqi overture to France as as the latest effort to split the international alliance against Baghdad. The analysts said if all French hostages are indeed released, Paris would be put in a embarrassing situation because the move would lead to new suspicions that the French are following an independent course in the Persian Gulf crisis.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold			
London			
Previous close fix	368.25	off	4.25
Morning fixing	370.75	up	2.50
Afternoon fixing	371.65	up	3.40
Close	372.00	up	3.75
Paris	374.25	up	2.79
Zurich	372.50	up	4.00

Hong Kong	370.55	off 0.30
New York		
Comex spot close	371.20	up 1.60
Republic cash	371.50	up 1.25
Handy and Harman	371.65	up 4.15

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 371.65 up 4.16 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 391.58 up 4.37 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.219	up 0.025
Republic cash	4.245	up 0.025

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.245 per fine ounce up 0.065

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.25 up 0.04 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.548 up 0.043

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 424.00 up 4.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 524.00 up 4.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 96.50 up 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 111.50 up 2.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	369.89	225.01	141.29	20.57	314.76
Opening	368.22	223.13	140.53	20.45	313.26
11 a.m.	368.86	223.31	140.45	20.49	313.71
Noon	369.10	223.32	140.51	20.53	313.92
1 p.m.	369.74	223.61	140.57	20.56	314.40
2 p.m.	368.97	223.41	140.42	20.52	313.80
3 p.m.	369.47	223.91	140.59	20.53	314.20

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#90296u1461 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (OCT. 23) UPI - The battle in the spring-summer Paris ready-to-wear shows between the loose and the skin-tight burned on Tuesday with designer Emanuel Ungaro choosing both silhouettes.

Ungaro won the only standing ovation from buyers and press so far with some 200 ''very salable'' items, as one New York buyer raved.

His popular draped dresses hugging every pore of the body were fewer, mainly black chiffon or silk draped short evening numbers.

Otherwise the silhouette loosened up to surprising straight, loose smock dresses with tiny straps, puffy taffeta evening jackets, short cocktail numbers that were baggy except for tight wrapping low on the hips, easy shift dresses and A-line evening creations.

Another trend was those noisy colors that have influenced most of the eight-day shows that end Wednesday. Try a short pink jacket worn with a mango-orange skirt, turquoise blouse printed with pink flowers and a lavender hat adorned with a pink ribbon.

The designer not only mixed colors but mixed prints, a talent that brought him fame when he burst onto the fashion scene in 1965. Wild plaid jackets married skirts in other plaids or floral patterns. Polka- dotted dresses linked with flower-dotted jackets. Striped full, body- hiding jackets swung over more floral printed dresses.

Ungaro also joined the glitter stampede with shiny vinyl mini skirts in burgundy, red, yellow, green. Short evening dresses blazed with gold, silver, purple, red or black sequins. White lame interwoven with tiny pink flowers was used for bare-backed short dresses.

Then add A-shaped long puffy evening dresses flirting with ruffled petticoats, huge white collars, pink sashes, enormous gazar sleeves - what an ovation he received.

After reviewing the spectacular styles in the shows in the Louvre museum courtyard, journalists then settled down at the Guy Laroche parade to see what they will wear.

Designer Guy Douviers elegant line, suitable for women of all ages and the lowest priced of the designer shops, shone in bright colors as elsewhere. He gave hemline choices - above knee but also long jersey daytime dresses, narrow trousers, wide pajamas and not-too-short wide Bermuda shorts.

Black shorts with a blouse and billowing jacket in a black and white harlequin diamond print brought applause.

Also admired was a black and white checked jacket over a short black skirt and

long white sleeveless vest-top with crossed straps over a bare back.

Green or blue denim dresses and suits, evening pajamas under a long floating coat in two black-white prints, short evening dresses in white lace or silver, gold, red or purple sequins, a short black dress with an enormous white organdy collar - they all answer women's dreams.

The show of Hermes was as elegant and refined as the houses famed scarves and handbags.

The ready-to-wear, designed by a team of young creators including Martine Sitbon and Tad Gudicelli, included silk jackets printed like Hermes scarves with a horse bridle design to please Hermes' chateau- owning customers. Some jackets and trousers were shaped like riding outfits and long apron dresses sported leather shoulder straps.

A map of the Provence region of southern France was printed on sensible swim suits and silk jackets. Another new Hermes print of Asian junks and sampans was used for soft jackets, neck-to-toe body-plastering tights and short dresses.

For evening the show joined the sequin hysteria with long sequined tights twinned with a skimpy bra top.

Nina Ricci's new designer, Englishman Philip Waghorne, 28, offered sophisticated resort pajamas, wide shorts and trousers with sailor looks, full ruffled short dresses.

Waghorne, a master with ''trompe l'oeil'' magic, created what looked like a black jumper over a white blouse. But the ''jumper'' actually was just printed onto the dress.

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#90296u1470 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
ORLANDO, FL (OCT. 23) UPI - Rear Adm. Louise Wilmot, head of the Orlando Naval Training Center, defended the base Tuesday against charges that it fails to prosecute rapists and takes sex offenses lightly.

''If you've been attacked by someone, we want to know. We want to prosecute,'' she said.

Six female students or female recruits stationed at the base, the Navy's only boot camp for women, reported that they had been raped in an 18-month period that ended in June, according to a report by the Navy Inspector General.

Wilmot said the Navy investigated five of those cases, and in each of those five, there was not enough evidence for a court-martial.

''The rules of law in a court-martial are the same as in a civilian court,'' she said.

She said she personally reviewed each case.

''And I agree with those decisions (not to prosecute), and each of those cases has been reviewed by our headquarters and Washington, and in each case, no one disagrees with us,'' she said.

The sixth alleged rape was investigated by the Seminole County State Attorney's Office.

''I've spent 26 years in the Navy trying to make this a better place for women '' she said.

''Despite progress made in this area to date, this report indicates that much more must be done in Orlando, within the Naval Education and Training Command, and, presumably, throughout the Navy,'' Vice Adm. J.S. Disher, chief of Naval Education and Training, in Pensacola, Fla., wrote in a letter of support of the inspector general's letter.

Wilmot echoed her supriors in saying the Navy has ''zero tolerance'' for sexual harassment, abuse and fraternization.

The report cited 13 cases of fraternization, social interaction between recruits or enlisted personnel and their superiors, a practice that is banned in the Navy.

Wilmot said that only two of those cases involved sex and that all 13 offenders was given ''non-judicial punishment,'' meaning they were not court-martialed but were transferred against their wills and given letters of reprimand that could prevent promotion.

''We have the strictest rules against fraternization in the Navy,'' she said. ''Our rules say you may not have a friendship or any kind of relationship with anyone who was your superior.

''There's been a lot of misinformation about that report,'' she said. ''We think we know what we're doing. This is a good place for women in the Navy.''

The inspector general's report also cited five cases of sexual assault during the same 18-month period. Wilmot said each of those cases had been prosecuted and each offender punished, however, a report published Monday by The Washington Post indicated only one of those assault cases resulted in court-martial.

''We're like a small city out here,'' Wilmot said, with a workday population

of 18,000.

''To find only 13 cases (of fraternization) I think that shows we've been very aggressive and good stewards of our nation's trust,'' she said.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (OCT. 23) UPI - Prosecutors trying Marlon Brando's son for murder said Tuesday they probably will fail in bringing the actor's daughter back to California in time to testify against her half brother.

Christian Brando's trial on a first-degree murder count stemming from the shooting death of his half sister's boyfriend is due to begin in two weeks.

The District Attorney's Office has sought for the last five months to return Cheyenne Brando from Tahiti.

She flew to the South Pacific island following the May 16 shooting death of her Tahitian lover, Dag Drollet, who was killed at her father's mountaintop estate. Cheyenne gave birth in June to Drollet's child.

Christian Brando, 32, had admitted shooting Drollet, but contends the gun went off accidentally while struggling for the weapon with Drollet.

However, before leaving for Tahiti, Cheyenne Brando, in a statement to police, said, ''It's a murder, in case you don't know it.''

At a hearing Tuesday, a judge ordered jury selection in the trial to begin Nov. 5.

Prosecutors, however, said they doubted they would be able to persuade officials in French-governed Tahiti to return Cheyenne, 20, by then.

''We continue to try and get her to return, but time grows short,'' said Deputy District Attorney Stephen Barshop.

Prosecutors were unable to subpoena her before she left Los Angeles for Tahiti and a federal judge and a Superior Court judge have turned down requests to ask French Polynesian authorities to subpoena her in Tahiti, saying they don't have the authority to do so.

Prosecutors then turned to the French consulate in Los Angeles but have been told to work through the U.S. State Department.

''We're not really overly optimistic it (Cheyenne's return) will happen,'' said Deputy District Attorney William Clark. ''If we had a couple of years, we might be able to pull it off.''

After spending three months in County Jail, Christian was freed in August when his father posted his $4 million Hollywood Hills estate as collateral.

Marlon Brando did not attend Tuesday's hearing. The 66-year-old Academy Award-winning actor is expected to testify at the trial.

His son was charged with first-degree murder because prosecutors believe he premeditated the slaying, acting on Cheyenne's claims that Drollet had been abusing her. Christian allegedly shot Drollet in the face at point-blank range while the victim was watching television. He faces up to 25 years to life in prison upon conviction.

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#90296u1506 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

EUGENE, OR (OCT. 23) UPI - Concerts by the Grateful Dead helped fund the University of Oregon's Athletic Department in a big way last summer, but the popular rock band won't be allowed to return next year, officials announced Tuesday.

Dan Williams, UO's vice president for administration, said Autzen Stadium will be off-limits to the San Francisco rock band next summer due to concerns the school could be seen as condoning drug abuse among the group's many fans.

The school official said he denied a request by Double Tee Promotions of Portland to bring the popular San Francisco band led by guitarist Jerry Garcia back to Eugene next summer for the fourth time in five years.

''This is not a permanent ban on the Dead, but we don't want it to become an annual or regular event,'' Williams said.

Williams said a significant number of people see the band's appearance at a university facility as an indication UO condones drug abuse.

''I think that perception is misplaced, but it isn't something we need to be devoting our energies to,'' he said.

The UO Athletic Department leases Autzen Stadium to various promoters to raise money for non-revenue sports. The Grateful Dead's pair of shows this year raised about $200,000 for those sports programs.

But the department, which is expected to be financially self- sufficient, will get a one-time infusion of state aid this year in the form of athletes' tuition waivers, UO officials said.

The Grateful Dead made several visits to Eugene in the 1970s, the last in 1978. But due to problems with the group's fans known as ''Deadheads'' camping

nearby, starting grass fires, relieving themselves on private property and bothering neighbors, they were not allowed to return until 1987, said university spokeswoman Gaye Vandermyn.

In recent years, the promoters paid for extra police and traffic control in the area, also setting up a ''tent city'' on the stadium's parking lot for the many ''Deadheads'' who follow the band from one city to another each summer.

''Some people in the community complained about drug use among participants attracting the wrong kind of people,'' Vandermyn said.

''A number of merchants make a lot of money when there's a big crowd. But some in the University District were not pleased with the kind of people that came and hung around for three or four days and shoplifted a lot,'' she said. ''They feel they lost a lot of money.''

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#90296u1527 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (OCT. 23) UPI - UtiliCorp United Inc. said Tuesday it would receive $15 million in cash over two years for its part of a recent settlement in an anti-trust lawsuit.

UtiliCorp said the litigation was tied to overcharges from 1979 to 1982 by three of its natural gas suppliers, Amoco Production Co., Oxy USA Inc. and Williams Natural Gas Co.

In 1985, UtiliCorp joined several other utilities, the states of Missouri and Kansas, and Farmland Industries Inc. in a lawsuit against the three natural gas suppliers. The lawsuit claimed the defendants created a monopoly and fixed prices of gas they owned in Wyoming.

Amoco and Oxy settled their portion of the case on Sept. 26. After seven days of trial, Williams also agreed to a settlement.

The case was dismissed Oct. 4 with none of the defendants admitting guilt.

The overcharges, passed on to UtiliCorp customers by its Missouri Public Service and Kansas Public Service divisions, would be refunded according to procedures determined by Missouri and Kansas utility regulators.

''We will achieve a very substantial recovery for our Missouri and Kansas customers,'' said UtiliCorp Chairman Richard C. Green Jr. ''In addition, we will recoup our legal expenses and anticipate that our divisions also will be able to recover some portion of the earnings they lost. We are extremely pleased with this settlement.''

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(OCT. 23) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $3 higher to $3 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.80 cent to 1.20 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 3.55 to 5.35 cents a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.45 cent higher to 0.30 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.50 to $1.60 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $9.60 to $10.10 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.15 cent to 2.65 cents a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 2.4 to 2.5 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.011 to 0.017 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90296u1542 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 23) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Mixed in sluggish trading.

Bonds - Mostly lower.

American Stocks - Mixed in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Dollar - Slightly higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 3/4 to 1 1/2, soybeans up 2 to 8, wheat up 1/2 to off 1 and oats off 1/4 to up 1/4.

Cattle Trade - Steady; top $79.00.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - The widely acclaimed picture ''Goodfellas'' Tuesday led the list of movies, TV shows and commercials to receive ''Golden Pit Awards'' for ethnic insults.

The award, a gold spray-painted peach pit on a blue ribbon, was presented by limousine magnate William Fugazy, the honorary chairman of the National Ethnic Coalition of Organizations. It consists of 66 of the largest ethnic groups in America.

Fugazy called Goodfellas ''the worst movie that ever came out as far as portraying the Italo-American family ... particularly in showing the family participating in crimes.'' He called it ''absurd.''

The award said the movie ''shamelessly puts Italian-Americans in a bad light, seeking to reinforce Italian men as vicious (and) women ... as dumb, loudmouthed accomplices...''

The next highest criticism came in for the Mazda Navajo, the ''new 1991 sports utility car,'' television commercials.

''This shows a lack of respect and understanding towards American Indians throughout the country by exploiting their image and culture.''

Tonya Gonnella Frichner, an attorney and president of the American Indian Law Alliance, said the flashing of religious symbols sacred to native Americans during the commercial was particularly insensitive and ''offensive.''

Other ''awards'' went to the films ''Mo' Better Blues'' for stereotyping Jews, and ''A Show of Force'' for switching the plot to make an American reporter the hero instead of the actual three Puerto Rican Americans in real life.

Another went to Tri-State (of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut) Oldsmobile and New York area Pontiac dealers ''for attacking the producers of competitive automobiles, the Japanese people.''

The awards singled out the parody record ''As Kosher as They Wanna be,'' by the team billed as ''2 Live Jews'' for self-denigrating Jewish jokes, which according to the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith ''can be bludgeons in the hands of bigots.''

The NBC television soap opera ''Santa Barbara'' was criticized for its recent portrayal of Arabs, and ''In Living Color,'' on Fox Television for crossing ''the fine line of comedy with its negative reinforcements of ethnic stereotypes.''

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#90296u1552 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA, NEB (OCT. 23) UPI - Conagra Inc. and Elders IXL Limited of Melbourne, Australia said Tuesday ConAgra has signed a letter of intent to acquire certain assets of two Elders businesses and a half interest in another for $175 million.

ConAgra, a diversified food company based in Omaha, would buy some assets of Elders Brewing Materials and Elders International Wool Division. The company also would acquire a 50 percent interest in the Elders Meat Division.

Combined sales from the three Elders businesses total $1 billion annually.

The remaining Australian ownership of the Meat Division would include 45 percent by Elders and 5 percent by ConAgra's partners in the D.R. Johnson Group, which owns and operates meat processing and trading businesses in the country.

Elders IXL is an international brewing and agribusiness company.

ConAgra said it would finance 65 to 100 percent of the investment through equity.

The Omaha company recently purchased Beatrice Co., a leader in the shelf-stable foods market, for $1.34 billion in cash and stock.

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TAYLOR, Texas (OCT. 23) UPI - A Texas condom maker involved in a legal dispute with Northrop Corp. said he will go out of business if he loses the fight for his product's trademark.

Northrop, the giant defense contractor that makes the B-2 Stealth bomber, has taken legal steps to deny John Hughes' application for a trademark for his kitchen-table business, selling red, white and blue condoms in a cardboard package resembling the bomber.

After he applied for a trademark last year, Northrop's attorneys filed a petition with the trademark office to block the application.

''If they stop my trademark - if they can - we're out of business automatically,'' Hughes said Monday. ''They know I'm not a big company. If they make me spend enough money, sooner or later I'm history.''

The attorney representing Northrop declined to comment without the company's permission, and Northrop officials were unavailable for comment.

The petition filed with the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board said Northrop, based in Los Angeles, believes it will be damaged by the trademark for Stealth Condoms because ''its use by applicant (Hughes) is likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive.''

Hughes, who also has a tile-laying business in Central Texas, said his condoms have a better reputation than Northrop's airplane, which has been the subject of much debate in Congress.

''The condoms perform better than the bomber,'' he says. ''Our package will even fly over 40 feet - they don't do well in wind, though. They're totally radar-proof, can fly low and don't require a great length of runway to land.''

Hughes, 28, who says he's trying ''to put some fun back into condom buying ''said even if the government became confused and spent $865 million on his product instead of buying a Northrop bomber, it might not be such a bad deal.

''I could provide an incredible amount of protection for that kind of money,'' he quipped.

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#90296u1568 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 23) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.48 1/2-2.53 1/2 up 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.08 1/2- 6.15 1/2 up 3 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.19 3/4-2.31 3/4 up 1 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.31 3/4-2.34 3/4 up 1 1/2 to 1/2.

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PASADENA, CA (OCT. 23) UPI - Cara Payton Rullman, a high school senior, was crowned queen Tuesday of the 102nd New Year's Day Tournament of Roses parade.

''I wasn't thinking about anything, but my heart was beating really fast,'' the blonde Rullman, 17, said after her name was announced at a ceremony.

The new queen's crowning was interrupted when her classmate and Royal Court companion Tisha Mei-Lin Kong fainted.

''She was hugging me as she went down,'' Rullman said of Kong. ''She was just so happy for me.''

The bubbly rose queen said she did not expect to win when she signed up for the contest along with 34 other seniors at San Marino High.

''At the beginning of everybody's senior year, we all go down and sign up,'' she said. ''I was more excited just making the finals than actually winning. At that point, it didn't matter to any of us who won.''

''I don't consider myself extra special,'' she added.

Rullman, wearing a high-neck red dress, stepped forward from the seven-member Royal Court to accept the crown and traditional bouquet of roses from 1990 rose queen Yasmine Delawari.

The new queen is a member of the varsity cheerleading squad at San Marino High the California Scholastic Federation and the National Charity League.

She said she hopes to attend either UC Berkeley, Virginia or North Carolina after high school to major in child education.

Born in New York, the new queen has been a Pasadena-area resident for nine years.

Her sister, Courtney, 19, was a previous rose queen contestant.

Rullman and her Royal Court will participate in more than 100 community events culminating in her reign over the 102nd annual Rose Parade and the 77th Rose Bowl game on New Year's Day.

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#90296u1590 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEWTON, MA (OCT. 23) UPI - General Cinema Corp. said Tuesday it will lay off about 85 employees, including 30 at its headquarters, and sell or close about 20 theaters in a restructuring effort to return its theater division to profitability.

Despite a $30 million to $35 million charge against earnings in the current quarter for the restructuring, the company predicted profits will exceed $50

million, or about 70 cents a share, for the period ending Oct. 31.

The company has not settled on the specific locations to be disposed of, but most of them, with a total of about 80 screens, will be in the South, said Peter Farwell, a spokesman. Also, the company said it will close some field offices around the country, but Farwell declined to say which locations would be affected.

Employees to be laid off were being notified Tuesday, Farwell said.

Meanwhile, the theater division, which had an operating loss of $1.7 million in the first three quarters, now is expected to lose $11 million from operations before taxes for the full year, the company said.

Offsetting the movie division operating loss and the restructuring charge in the current quarter is an after-tax gain of more than $80 million from the sale of the company's interest in Cadbury Schweppes PLC, the British candy and soft drink maker.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1063.8
Monday	1055.9
Week ago	1052.3
Month ago	1093.5
Year ago	1095.5
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1052.3

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.91

60 to 89 days 7.85

90 to 119 days 7.84

120 to 149 days 7.76

150 to 179 days 7.71

180 to 270 days 7.66

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.05 - 7.85

Issuers 30 days 7.94

Issuers 90 days 7.86

Issuers 270 days 7.50

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.06

60 to 89 days 8.06

90 to 119 days 8.06

120 to 149 days 8.08

150 to 179 days 8.08

180 days 8.08

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

1 month 8.00 - 8.125

3 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

6 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

Year 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.21 - 7.19

6 months 7.17 - 7.15

Year 7.04 - 7.02

Federal Funds: High 7 7/8, Low 7 3/4, Close 7 3/4

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.809 off 0.012.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90296u1618 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

HOLLYWOOD (OCT. 23) UPI - Movie patrons have paid nearly $4 billion so far this year at the domestic box office, just slightly behind last year's record-setting pace, when ticket sales reached $5 billion by year's end.

Good performances by action-adventure films such as ''Marked for Death'' and ''Memphis Belle'' and the continued popularity of ''Ghost'' have kept ticket sales from lagging in recent weeks.

The year-to-date total hit $3.92 billion over the weekend, compared with $3.97 billion for the same period last year, Daily Variety reported Tuesday. In 1988 the total at the same juncture had hit $3.51 billion.

The top 10 movies of the weekend grossed a total of $33.1 million, off 9 percent from the previous weekend's take of $36.3 million. The gross was also down 14 percent from the $38.5 million taken in by the top 10 last year, when ''Look Who's Talking'' set a fall weekend record of $14.1 million.

For the week, the domestic box office for all movies in release reached $75.6 million, off slightly from the $77.2 million grossed in the year-ago week. In 1988, the same week produced ticket sales of $54.6 million.

''Marked for Death,'' which has kicked in $28.9 million in 17 days for Twentieth Century Fox, will face stiff competition for the top spot next weekend when Paramount releases Stephen King's ''Graveyard Shift.''

Universal's steamy ''White Palace,'' meanwhile, may perform well as it goes into wide release. The romance-comedy, starring Susan Sarandon and James

Spader, grossed $1.1 million at just 99 screens in its debut last weekend.

''Ghost'' will probably pass Disney's ''Pretty Woman'' around Halloween as the year's most popular film. ''Ghost'' has pulled in $172.2 million for Paramount while ''Pretty Woman'' has grossed $177.2 million.

Five other 1990 releases have topped $100 million in ticket sales this year: New Line's ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles,'' with $133.1 million; Paramount's ''Hunt for Red October,'' with $120.7 million; Carolco's ''Total Recall,'' with $118.3 million; Fox's ''Die Hard 2,'' with $114.1 million, and Disney's ''Dick Tracy,'' with $103.7 million.

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#90296u1643 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	65 5-8	up 1-8
AT&T Company	33	off 3-8
BCE Inc	31 3-8	up 1-8
Bell Atlantic	51 1-2	off 1 1-4
BellSouth Corp	52	off 1-8
Exxon Corp	48 3-8	off 1 1-4
Ford Motor Co	31 3-4	off 1-4
Genl Electric	53 7-8	up 1-8
General Motors	38 1-4	off 1-2
GTE Corp	28 3-8	off 1-4
IBM Corp	106 3-4	off 1
Mobil Oil Corp	57	off 1 1-4
Nynex Corp	71 1-8	off 3-8
Pac Gas & Elec	23 3-4	up 1-4
Pacific Telesis	44 1-2	off 1 1-4
Phila Electric	16 3-8	off 1-8
Sears Roebuck	25	off 3-8
Southern Co	26 1-8	unch
Sthwestern Bell	53	unch
US West Inc	37 3-4	up 1-8

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LAGOS, NIGERIA (OCT. 23) UPI - President Ibrahim Babangida said Tuesday oil-rich Nigeria will give assistance to African countries suffering from high oil prices caused by the Gulf crisis.

The Nigerian leader said the move was to ''ensure the brotherhood of the region,'' but he gave few details of how Lagos would assist.

Nigeria produces 1.9 million barrels of oil a day and has earned an additional $2 billion from higher oil prices caused by the Iraqi invasion and takeover of Kuwait.

However, observers also believe Babangida is using the bait of financial assistance to ensure the unity of the West African sub-region, which has been divided over the role of the five-nation West African peacekeeping force now fighting in Liberia.

Ivory coast and Burkina Faso recently called for the withdrawal of the force, in which Nigeria is the largest member with more than 3,000 troops.

Babangida has already offered assistance to Ghana, the second largest member of the force. The Ghanain government has been stricken by the Gulf crisis and has boosted fuel pump prices by more than 50 percent.

In linked diplomatic efforts, Babangida during the past week received Togo's President Gnassing-be Eyadema and delegations from Sierra Leone and Mali.

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#90296u1663 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (OCT. 23) UPI - The French broadcasting authority Tuesday approved the acquisition by the publishing company Hachette of a leading share in the private television chain La Cinq, officials said.

The government's Superior Audiovisual Council gave the green light for Hachette to increase its equity holding in La Cinq from 22 percent to 25 percent.

In addition, newspaper publisher Robert Hersant will reduce his share from 25 percent to 10 percent, while Italian television entrepreneur Silvio Berlusconi's holding of 25 percent remains unchanged.

Hachette is the largest media group in France and the second largest in Europe after Germany's Bertelsmann.

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#90296u1664 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

DURHAM, CT (OCT. 23) UPI - A florist has cut through red tape and will be sending homemade cookies and Christmas trees to U.S. soldiers who will spend the holidays in the desert of Saudi Arabia.

''I just didn't want them forgotten. I don't want what happened to the guys in Vietnam to happen to them,'' said Ann Page, who convinced the government to ship the artificial trees despite possible Saudi objections.

Page knew she could not send the decorated Christmas trees, food and other presents through the mail directly to U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf because the Saudis object to what they consider religious symbols.

The U.S. government initially refused to handle the shipments and risk offending the Saudis, but last week relented and will deliver the presents aboard military aircraft, said Page, who is an owner of Page's Flower Shop in Durham.

Nearly 60 of the 18-inch-high trees have been collected so far around Connecticut and western Massachusetts from florist and craft shops, which stock the plastic trees for display and sale during the Christmas season.

Page also is assembling packages for U.S. soldiers with batteries, underwear, insect repellent, sun tan lotion, pens and writing paper, toiletry items and foods, including powdered fruit drinks, peanut butter and jelly. Residents of a convalescent home in rural Durham are also baking Christmas cookies.

Page, who has no close family members in the Persian Gulf, decided back in August to start collecting the trees and presents.

''It sounded like fun to give them Christmas,'' she said.

The gifts will be sent after Thanksgiving through the American Red Cross to Westover Air Force Base in Massachusetts, where they will be sent on military planes when space is available.

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#90296u1665 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Tuesday - $38,850,000

1990 to date - $9,018,630,000

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#90296u1681 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 45 points higher to 35 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	74.45	74.88	74.27	74.68	74.68
Mar	74.45	75.00	74.45	74.94	74.53
May	74.60	75.35	74.60	75.20	74.80
Jly	74.65	75.25	74.61	75.25	74.80
Oct	68.00	68.20	68.00	67.85	68.15

Dec	66.65	66.80	66.50	66.55	66.85
Mar	67.40	67.40	67.40	67.50	67.80

Estimated sales: 8,000 contracts
Open interest: 41,986 up 1,665
The World spot average: 71.45

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#90296u1691 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	292.97	up	0.74
High Technology	296.49	up	3.64
Capital Goods	312.89	up	1.27
Consumer Goods	361.02	off	0.07
Service	644.17	up	2.05
Retail	914.36	off	3.65
Financial	341.06	up	2.29
Natural Resources	222.00	off	0.08
Housing-Const-Land	249.54	off	1.30

There was a gain of 2 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	375.12	up	3.49
Mid Atlantic	385.51	up	2.96
No Central	377.11	off	2.59
So Atlantic	798.48	off	5.04
So Central	299.86	up	1.54
Mountain	105.32	up	1.44
Pacific	330.07	off	0.65
Foreign	219.27	up	0.08

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#90296u1699 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2494.06	off	22.03
20 Trans	875.00	off	8.69
15 Utils	209.95	off	0.94
65 Stocks	884.01	off	7.36

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#90296u1704 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Tuesday	2494.06	off	22.03	875.00	off	8.69	209.95	off	0.94
Monday	2516.09	off	4.70	883.69	up	15.53	210.89	up	1.01
Week ago	2381.19	off	35.15	823.41	off	8.88	206.55	off	0.44
Month ago	2485.64	up	32.67	844.67	up	2.77	200.64	up	0.88
Year ago	2659.22	off	3.69	1210.70	off	25.96	215.04	off	0.31
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90296u1706 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 23) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	170.50	off	1.03
ASE Market Value Index	292.97	up	0.74
Dow-Jones Industrial	2494.06	off	22.03

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#90296u1709 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks -	11,890,000 shares
1990 to date -	2,823,144,175
Bonds -	$3,460,000
1990 to date -	$595,093,000

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#90296u1713 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 293.14, low 292.10, close 292.97, up 0.74.

There was a gain of 2 cents in the average share price.

Volume 11,890,000 shares, compared with 12, 400,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	4
New Lows	50
Advances	300
Declines	255
Unchanged	219
Total Issues	774

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#90296u1717 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Micrsoft Cp	(MSFT)	61,689,792	64 1/4	up 1/4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	50,789,880	35 1/2	up 1/4
Conner Prphrls	(CNNR)	50,423,108	22 7/8	up 1 1/4
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	45,430,104	31	off 1/8
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	44,197,508	20 1/8	off 2 3/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	34,841,916	29 3/4	up 1/2
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	27,148,680	40 3/4	off 3/8
Liz Claiborne	(LIZC)	25,549,996	26 3/8	off 3/8
Aldus Corp	(ALDC)	23,102,706	27 1/4	unch
Amgen	(AMGN)	20,700,752	45 3/4	off 1/8

Composite Index 149.66 off 0.02

NMS volume 92,974,704 shares.

Advances	780
Declines	710
Unchanged	1,301
Total	2,791

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#90296u1728 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.19	up 0.02
10 Public Utils	91.38	up 0.05
10 Industrials	87.00	off 0.01

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#90296u1740 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2504.95	2527.97	2480.20	2494.06	off 22.03
20 Trans	881.47	889.61	868.90	875.00	off 8.69
15 Utils	210.45	211.96	208.56	209.95	off 0.94
65 Stock	888.25	896.09	878.60	884.01	off 7.36

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Tuesday	Monday

Indus	17,712,300	21,307,000
Trans	4,255,100	4,411,300
Utils	2,643,600	3,347,000
65 Stock	24,611,000	29,065,300

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.19	up 0.02
10 Public Utils	91.38	up 0.05
10 Industrials	87.00	off 0.01

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 128.82 up 0.77.

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#90296u1756 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Citicorp	3,625,800	12 5/8	off 3/8
Philip Morris	1,927,200	48	off 1/2
Bristol MS	1,751,300	62 5/8	off 1/8
MCA Corp	1,655,800	58 7/8	up 1 5/8
Genl Electric	1,636,100	54	up 1/4
Amer Express	1,443,600	20 3/8	up 1/2
C&S Sovran	1,377,500	16 1/4	off 2 3/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,373,200	29 1/4	up 1/4
Waste Mgmt	1,320,400	34	up 1/2
IBM Corp	1,270,700	106 3/4	off 1
Homefed Corp	1,240,700	4 3/4	off 1/2
Exxon Corp	1,150,500	48 1/2	off 1 1/8
Chase Manhtan	1,133,600	12 1/4	off 1/4
Wal-Mart Strs	1,081,400	28 3/4	off 1/4
PepsiCo Inc	1,076,600	24 5/8	off 1/4

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#90296u1759 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	24.85-24.90	23.20-23.30
North Sea Brent	28.90-28.95	26.65-26.70
West Texas Intermed	29.45-29.55	28.35-28.40

Light Louisiana Sweet	29.80-30.00	28.80-28.90
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	85.65-86.15	82.50-83.00
No. 2 Heating oil	79.40-79.55	74.50-74.75
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	76.65-76.90	75.00-75.25
No. 2 Heating oil	78.40-78.65	73.75-74.00

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#90296u1763 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Conquest Explor	2,134,100	1 3/8	up 1/8
Contl Air Hldgs	623,600	5 5/8	off 3/8
Wang Labs B	471,200	3 1/4	up 1/4
Amdahl Corp	457,900	11 5/8	off 1/4
Tubos De Acero	374,700	6 1/8	unch
Am Exploration	322,000	3 3/4	off 1/4
PW Group wtB	252,400	8 1/8	up 3/4
Eksportfinan wt	218,100	8 1/8	up 3/4
Crystal Oil Co	190,400	1 3/4	off 1/8
Diasonics Inc	181,200	1 3/4	unch

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#90296u1776 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Toronto Stock Exchange officials ventured onto the turf of a major competitor Tuesday to talk up an innovative stock price system they hope will give them an edge in the global equities marketplace.

The launching at the venerable Fraunces Tavern in Manhattan's financial district was the latest bid by a secondary exchange to claim a bigger niche in the new world markets scheme dominated by New York, London and Tokyo.

Executives of the No. 1 Canadian bourse hope to increase trading volume with their trademarked Market-by-Price system, giving stockbrokers and investors a ''look at the book'' of computer-entered share buy and sell orders.

The stock market data system provides ''real-time'' access to prices generated by Toronto's Computer-Assisted Trading System - known as CATS, a pioneer computerized trading system - and parallel exchange floor action.

The system tips the hand of the specialists, or market makers, who facilitate

buying and selling of a few stocks. The New York Stock Exchange is planning a similar ''look-at-the-book'' program, but with access at fixed intervals.

As many of the Canadian issues traded in Toronto also change hands on the NYSE it is hoped the greater transparency offered by the Market-by- Price system will draw business north of the border.

Toronto exchange officials say the system enables investment professionals to better monitor prices and activity on the exchange.

The system began operating in Canada in April. But TSE officials traveled to their major competitor's doorstep to launch it abroad.

TSE Executive Vice President James Gallagher set the annual trading volume in Canadian stocks at $65 billion (Canadian), of which $15 billion to $20 billion changes hands on the NYSE and other U.S. exchanges.

Some 1,597 stocks are traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange, of which some 200 are bought and sold on other U.S. and international markets.

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#90296u1778 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 23) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Tuesday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6200	off 100
CapCiti/ABC	400	off 32
Katy Ind pfB	42	off 6
Torchmark pfA	75	up 5
Kubota Ltd	109 1/4	off 4 3/4
Time Warner	76 1/4	up 4 1/2
Washington Post	184	off 4 1/2
Alabama Pwr pfD	95 1/2	off 4 3/8
Diagnostic Prod	26 1/2	off 4
Hitachi Ltd	96 3/4	off 3 1/8

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#90296u1787 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 23) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	221.50	223.70	220.50	221.70	221.80
Mar	....	....	....	224.05	224.15
Jun	....	....	....	227.05	227.15

Previous day volume: 84 contracts.
Open interest: 1,236 up 9
CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	315.70	317.50	313.00	313.80	315.50
Mar	318.20	320.10	316.00	316.50	318.20
Jun	....	322.70	319.20	319.50	321.20
Sep	....	325.00	322.80	322.80	324.50

Today's estimated volume: 50,229 contracts.
Open interest: 151,635 off 1,767
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	171.75	173.10	170.80	171.15	172.15
Mar	173.05	173.75	172.40	172.60	173.50
Jun	174.50	174.50	174.45	174.00	174.85

Open interest: 5,662 up 79
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	525.00	529.50	522.00	523.25	525.50
Dec	527.00	531.00	524.25	524.60	527.50
Jan	530.10	533.25	526.75	527.45	529.85

Estimated volume 4,935 contracts.
Open interest: 6,104 off 4,331

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#90296u1790 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - The Senate Ethics Committee, trying to end speculation that politics is influencing its investigation of the ''Keating Five'' savings and loan scandal, agreed Tuesday to hold public hearings on the affair next month and close the investigation by the end of the year.

The bipartisan panel adopted a resolution calling for the hearings to begin Nov. 15 - nine days after the midterm election - and for the committee's proceedings to be wrapped up by the end of the year, except in ''extraordinary circumstances.''

The scandal, in which five senators have been accused of granting improper favors to savings and loan executive Charles Keating, spilled onto the Senate floor Monday when one of the senators, Republican John McCain of Arizona, demanded that the committee make public its findings in the matter.

McCain is the only Republican among the five senators. There have been numerous reports in the past week that the committee's special lawyer

investigating the affair has decided there is not enough evidence to pursue a case against either McCain or Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio.

After McCain took the unusual step Monday of publicly demanding that the committee end its inquiry, several other Republicans went to the Senate floor to call for the investigation of McCain to be ended.

That, in turn, prompted several leading Democrats to charge that Republicans were engaged in an organized campaign of leaks to make it appear that only Democrats were guilty of wrongdoing in the affair.

The other three senators involved in the matter are Alan Cranston, D- Calif., Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich.

None of the five senators are up for re-election this year.

The resolution adopted by the ethics panel declared that there was evidence in relation to all five senators, but that the reliability of the evidence depended on the credibility of witnesses who would appear at the public hearing.

The resolution also said the committee had made no finding that any of the five senators had engaged in any improper conduct.

Following release of the resolution, Cranston noted: ''The public is entitled to get beyond the malicious rumors and selective leaks and to know all the facts. I see this as an opportunity to achieve the public vindication I know I deserve.''

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#90296u1791 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, AK (OCT. 23) UPI - An Exxon exhibit boasting of the company's efforts to clean up its Alaska oil spill has been removed on government orders from the Anchorage federal building and courthouse, officials said Tuesday.

The display had been mounted in the lobby of the same building where Exxon Corp. and Exxon Shipping Co. face criminal charges and civil suits arising from the nation's worst oil spill.

''We didn't think it was appropriate that Exxon have that kind of display in the courthouse in Alaska where their case was pending,'' Justice Department spokeswoman Amy Casner said from Washington.

The U.S. District Court, where cases against Exxon have been filed, is on the second floor of the building, within sight of the lobby where Exxon put up its elaborate display, including large photos, a scale model of cleanup operations samples of boom and absorbent materials used to sop up crude and even a

life-size dummy wearing a survival suit.

Federal building rules allow building managers to deny exhibit permits if the subject matter ''pertains to any judicial proceeding ... pending in the public building and this use is intended to influence or impede the judicial proceeding.'' The Anchorage building manager, Jesse Avila, gave Exxon permission to display its exhibit.

But Avila's bosses at the General Services Administration overruled his decision and asked Exxon to remove the display.

Avila refused repeated requests for an interview, but deputy regional administrator Aki Nakao in San Francisco said, ''I presume the field office manager saw nothing wrong, so he went ahead with the permit and he didn't talk to anybody else.''

The exhibit has been a subject of concern since it went up late last month. Environmental groups objected to the display but, when it didn't come down, they put up one of their own earlier this month at the other end of the building. It, too, was ordered pulled down. Both exhibits came down Monday.

The Exxon exhibit was removed after Justice Department lawyers, in town last Friday for a hearing in the Exxon criminal case, saw the Exxon display, and after GSA officials, also in Anchorage Friday for a coincidental field office review, found the exhibit inappropriate.

Alaska Assistant U.S. Attorney Larry Card said the Exxon exhibit was ''like putting on your trial before the trial.''

The colorful Exxon exhibit, called ''Progress in Alaska,'' dominated the lobby. One poster quoted someone saying, ''I think Exxon did a great job.'' Another poster declared that areas hit by last year's 11-million- gallon spill were ''undergoing a robust recovery.''

Exxon also mounted a large picture of its cleanup manager, Otto Harrison, with a quote, ''We can get a good feeling about doing the job in a fashion that demonstrates to everybody who's watching that this has been a responsible caring response to whatever the problems were.''

The exhibit avoided depicting any problems caused by the spill, which killed wildlife, ruined fishing, painted rocks black, jeopardized food sources for native villagers and upset life along a stretch of coastal Alaska.

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#90296u1800 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	369.89	225.01	141.29	20.57	314.76
Opening	368.22	223.13	140.53	20.45	313.26
11 a.m.	368.86	223.31	140.45	20.49	313.71
Noon	369.10	223.32	140.51	20.53	313.92
1 p.m.	369.74	223.61	140.57	20.56	314.40
2 p.m.	368.97	223.41	140.42	20.52	313.80
3 p.m.	369.47	223.91	140.59	20.53	314.20
Close	367.19	222.18	140.12	20.39	312.36
Change	off 2.70	off 2.83	off 1.17	off 0.18	off 2.40

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#90296u1803 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	341.09	off	0.03	325.44	461.70
Industrial	365.87	up	0.04	344.11	448.75
Finance	336.67	off	0.46	331.05	538.29
Insurance	386.39	off	1.57	381.20	534.57
Utility	460.05	up	1.45	447.73	742.67
Bank	245.76	up	0.28	242.73	444.22
Transport	386.54	off	0.94	360.34	479.82

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 149.66 off 0.02

Industrial Index 144.92 up 0.01

NASDAQ-100 Index 356.80 off 0.33

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#90296u1805 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Friday 356.80 off 0.33.

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#90296u1810 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

FOREIGN EXCHANGE NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Tue	Mon	Tue	Mon
Argntn austral	.000188	.000188	5331.00	5331.00
Australia dlr	.7770	.7805	1.2870	1.2812
Austria schill	.0938	.0938	10.66	10.66
Belgium franc-c	.0320	.0321	31.27	31.14
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0105	.0105	94.87	94.87
Britain pound	1.9428	1.9450	.5147	.5141
Britain 1-mo	1.9330	1.9348	.5173	.5168
Britain 3-mo	1.9163	1.9181	.5218	.5213
Britain 6-mo	1.8933	1.8951	.5282	.5277
Canada dollar	.8534	.8547	1.1718	1.1700
Canada 1-mo	.8500	.8516	1.1765	1.1742
Canada 3-mo	.8444	.8460	1.1843	1.1821
Canada 6-mo	.8298	.8453	1.2051	1.1830
Chile peso-f	.003410	.003410	293.25	293.25
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001894	.001893	528.12	528.32
Denmark krne	.1725	.1735	5.7985	5.7645
Ecudr sucre-z	.001195	.001195	836.55	836.55
Egypt pound	.3673	.3673	2.7228	2.7228
Finlnd mrkka	.2782	.2791	3.5950	3.5835
France franc	.1968	.1969	5.0820	5.0800
France 1-mo	.1965	.1966	5.0892	5.0872
France 3-mo	.1959	.1960	5.1035	5.1018
France 6-mo	.1950	.1951	5.1288	5.1260
Greece drach	.006650	.006650	150.38	150.38
Hollnd guildr	.5842	.5848	1.7116	1.7100
HongKong dlr	.1285	.1284	7.7835	7.7860
India rupee	.0558	.0558	17.93	17.93
Indo'sa rupia	.000541	.000541	1850.00	1850.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7700	1.7700	0.5650	0.5650
Israel shekel	.5086	.5086	1.9660	1.9660
Italy lira	.000880	.000880	1136.75	1136.00
Japan yen	.007811	.007921	128.03	126.25
Japan 1-mo	.007826	.007931	127.78	126.08
Japan 3-mo	.007823	.007928	127.83	126.13
Japan 6-mo	.007878	.007954	126.93	125.73
Jordan dinar	1.5699	1.5699	.6370	.6370

Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000345	.000345	2895.00	2895.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6053	.6063	1.6521	1.6493
Norway krne	.1692	.1699	5.9100	5.8875
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.56	21.56
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	433,400	433,400
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.20
Portugl escud	.007551	.007551	132.43	132.43
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5845	.5860	1.7110	1.7065
S.Africa rand	.3954	.3954	2.5293	2.5293
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010510	.010498	95.15	95.26
Sweden krona	.1781	.1780	5.6140	5.6170
Switzrl franc	.7805	.7785	1.2812	1.2845
Switzrl 1-mo	.7805	.7787	1.2812	1.2842
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7805	.7788	1.2812	1.2841
Switzrl 6-mo	.7799	.7782	1.2822	1.2850
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.79	26.79
Turkey lira	.000369	.000369	2707.00	2707.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0206	.0206	48.46	48.46
W.Ger Mark	.6586	.6588	1.5184	1.5178
W.Ger 1-mo	.6585	.6588	1.5187	1.5180
W.Ger 3-mo	.6579	.6586	1.5201	1.5184
W.Ger 6-mo	.6565	.6568	1.5232	1.5226
Yugosl dinar	.0967	.0967	10.34	10.34

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90296u1827 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	342.60	339.99	341.09	off 0.03
Industrial	367.85	364.49	365.87	up 0.04
Finance	337.71	336.49	336.67	off 0.46
Insurance	388.32	385.67	386.39	off 1.57
Utility	463.26	455.64	460.05	up 1.45
Bank	246.05	243.72	245.76	up 0.28
Transport	391.27	385.64	386.54	off 0.94

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44
NASDAQ National Market System indexes
(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	149.66 off 0.02
Industrial Index	144.92 up 0.01
NASDAQ-100 Index	356.80 off 0.33
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.74 unchanged.
Volume	92,974,704 shares
Advances	780
Declines	710
Unchanged	1,301
Total	2,791

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(OCT. 23) UPI - Iraq Tuesday freed 64 Western hostages, including 14 U.S. citizens, and Baghdad Radio said Iraq's National Assembly agreed to free all French nationals.

Baghdad Radio said Iraq's National Assembly agreed unanimously Tuesday to a request from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to free all French nationals. It said they were now free ''to leave or stay in Iraq.'' Some 350 French hostages are believed to be in Iraqi custody.

The announcement came after a group of ailing Western hostages, including 14 U.S. citizens and 50 Britons, were freed and arrived in the Jordanian capital of Amman aboard a British airliner. Their freedom was won by an appeal by former British Prime Minister Edward Heath.

''Are you glad to be out?'' one reporter shouted at one oft the unidentified freed U.S. hostages after the group's plane touched down at Amman airport.

''Hell, yes! Go Steelers!'' he said, referring to the Pittsburgh football team.

The freed Americans then were whisked away to a hotel by U.S. officials.

The American-Iraqi Foundation, a U.S. friendship society of Americans of Iraqi origins, met Saddam before the group was released.

Dr. Salim Mansoor, a physician from the Washington, D.C., area and president of group, said Saddam ''will release all of them if he feels that the solution to the problem is a peaceful one or if the president (Bush) promises not to attack. We had the impression that the president of Iraq wants to solve the

situation peacefully.''

The released Americans included six students and two U.S. diplomats based in Kuwait.

The United States, meanwhile, warned Americans hiding in Kuwait that they could put themselves ''at risk'' if they register with Iraqi authorities.

President Bush also ruled out any compromise allowing Iraq to pull out of Kuwait while retaining some territory it conquered, and France said it would deploy 500 more troops to the gulf region to counter further Iraqi aggression. But Japanese plans for a troop deployment ran into a political roadblock.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater, speaking to reporters in Manchester, N.H., hailed the release of the 14 U.S. hostages, but added, ''We want the rest to get out as soon as possible. We call on Saddam Hussein to ... release all foreign nationals.''

The British Broadcasting Corp. reported from Baghdad that Heath had secured exit visas for the 64 Britons and Americans realased Tuesday, and was still bargaining over the freedom of others on a list of some 200 names he took to Baghdad on a mercy mission.

Saddam agreed Sunday to free ailing and elderly hostages among the Westerners being held as a deterrent against any attack by Western and Arab forces now massing in Saudi Arabia to prevent further Iraqi aggression since its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Heath, who ventured to Baghdad despite criticism from British politicians that he could be exploited in Iraqi propaganda, met Tuesday morning with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

The Virgin Airways Boeing 747 that flew the hostages out of Iraq carried four doctors, seven nurses and medical equipment to treat any needing it. Airline officials said the flight was scheduled to arrive back in London early Wednesday.

The Voice of America warned U.S. citizens in Kuwait against complying with an Iraqi order that they register with immigration authorities before Nov. 5.

''Until we can obtain clarification, we believe that Americans, particularly adult males, could put themselves at risk should they decide to register,'' the Voice said. It suggested that Americans ''keep a low profile and exercise caution.''

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#90296u1834 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	16	20	11
New lows	113	108	272

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	808	53,641,000
Declines	688	72,988,100
Unchanged	464	19,670,900
Total	1,960	146,300,000

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(OCT. 23) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	4
New lows	50

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	300	6,512,800
Declines	255	3,890,000
Unchanged	219	1,487,200
Total	774	11,890,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Stocks closed mixed in moderate trading Tuesday, with the Dow industrials pressured by renewed nervousness about the prospects for a peaceful resolution to the Mideast crisis.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which lost 4.70 Monday, slid 22.03 to close at 2494.06, easing about 15 points in the last hour of trading.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 1.03 to 170.50 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index eased 2.40 to 312.36. The price of an average share lost 18 cents.

Advances led declines 806-690 among the 1,960 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume was 146,300,000 shares, compared with 152,650,000 traded Monday.

Analysts said the Dow was pressured in early trading by remarks by President Bush, who, in a speech in Burlington, Vt., declared the world should not compromise on Iraqi aggression against Kuwait.

The president's remarks, while not breaking any new ground, struck a firmer

tone than leaders of Saudi Arabia have expressed in recent days, analysts said and stirred fears about how the crisis would be resolved.

And in late trading, news of more violence against Israelis sent the Dow down sharply. Four Israelis were wounded Tuesday by Palestinians and an Arab suspect, severely beaten after he allegedly stabbed two soldiers, died several hours later. Police patrols have been stepped up in Jerusalem, and West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians have been barred from entering the city.

''It's pretty serious business,'' said John Burnett, senior vice president and head trader at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp.

''I don't know how international markets will react to it, but it ain't good for peace in our time,'' he said.

''It may also mean it may take longer to settle our problems with Iraq,'' which has sought to tie its invasion of Kuwait to Israel's occupation of the West Bank, Burnett added.

Oil prices fell in New York Tuesday, but analysts described the drop as a catch-up move in line with the just-expired November contract's huge Monday loss of nearly $5.50 a barrel, so the latest drop failed to give much support to stocks. The current crude contract for December delivery closed $1.04 a barrel lower at $29.37 Tuesday.

Other analysts, such as Don Hays, director of investment strategy at Wheat First Securities Inc. in Richmond, Va., chose to look at the brighter side of Tuesday's mixed market.

''In general, it wasn't a bad day,'' he said. ''The advance-decline line was still up. I think it was a pause to refresh after the Dow was up strongly Thursday and Friday.''

On the trading floor, Citicorp was the most active issue, off 3/8 to 12 5/8. The largest U.S. bank holding company has had trouble finding buyers for its auction-rate preferred stock.

Philip Morris followed, easing 1/2 to 48. Bristol-Myers was third, down 1/8 to 62 5/8. C&S-Sovran was also active, plunging 2 3/8 to 16 1/4 after an analyst was reported to have downgraded the stock.

Among other blue chips, AT&T lost 1/2 to 33, IBM fell 1 to 106 3/4 and General Motors eased 1/2 to 38 1/4. The Dow's oil components lost ground amid the sharp drop in oil prices: Texaco fell 1/2 to 57 1/2, Chevron lost 1/2 to 69 3/4 and Exxon dropped 1 1/8 to 48 1/2.

Elsewhere, Motorola gained 1 1/8 to 54 3/8. The company unveiled a new method for sending data at high speeds within buildings using digital radio

transmission.

But Capital-Cities/ABC plunged 32 to 400 after reporting third- quarter earnings slipped to $4.16 a share from $4.56 and saying that it expects fourth-quarter earnings to decline as well.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 177,016,720 shares, compared with 185,906,170 shares traded Monday.

Prices rose in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index added 0.74 to 292.97. Advances led declines 300-255 among the 774 issues traded. The price of an average share rose 2 cents. Composite volume was 13,854,950 shares vs. 14,220, 700 traded Monday.

Conquest Exploration led the Amex issues, up 1/8 to 1 3/8, extending its gain on Monday's news that American Exploration will acquire the company.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index edged down 0.04 to 341.08.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	171.55	170.50	170.50	off 1.03
Industrial	212.88	211.54	211.54	off 1.38
Transport	136.78	136.10	136.10	off 1.49
Utility	88.80	88.57	88.57	off 0.45
Finance	109.75	109.21	109.21	off 0.36

Equivalent to a loss of 18 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 146,300,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	120,082,300
Advances	943

Declines	882
Unchanged	2,401
Total	4,226

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SPOKANE, WASH (OCT. 23) UPI - The Securities and Exchange Commission has approved a new constitution for the Spokane Stock Exchange, clearing the way for installation of an electronic quotations system needed to expand trading on the exchange.

First, however, the exchange's 12 member/brokers must approve purchase of the $150,000 system.

The expenditure will be difficult to shoulder given the low level of trading at all equity markets, Exchange President Stan Covey said Monday.

''If we feel that we can, I'm sure that we will go ahead with it,'' Covey said this week. ''I would like to get it done, that's the reason I took this job.''

Transactions on the exchange are tallied manually and bid and ask prices are posted on a large board at the exchange by hand.

Regulations imposed Jan. 1 made trading in stocks not listed on exchanges with the electronic equipment much more cumbersome. Designed to control fraud in the trading of penny stocks, the rules have greatly reduced the liquidity of such stocks.

Covey said companies considering listing their stock on the exchange, and brokers considering joining the exchange, have been put on hold pending approval of the constitution and purchase of a quotation system.

''We really had our hands tied,'' he said. But he added, ''We've still got a lot of people contacting us.''

Covey, owner of Spokane Securities, said the new constitution replaces one drafted in the 1930s.

The document updates exchange compliance and surveillance procedures and incorporates the fair-practice rules of the National Association of Securities Dealers' national over-the-counter market, NASDAQ.

Covey said talks with SEC officials sometimes bogged down for months over details like definitions, the formation of various committees, who would serve on them and when they would meet.

''We volleyed back and forth for four-and-a-half years,'' he said.

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#90296u1931 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Tuesday was 429.89, off 0.22 percent.
This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90296u1943 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - Congress and the administration struggled Tuesday to complete a deficit reduction plan and overcome what Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine called a political ''Catch-22'' on taxing the rich.

The hitch was that Bush, needing House Democratic votes to pass any plan, continued to insist on a package that limited tax deductions for the rich - a provision about half the House Democrats would oppose.

The plan favored by most congressional Democrats - imposing a surtax on millionaires - is bitterly opposed by Bush.

''The problem in the House is that it's in a kind of Catch-22 situation in which the administration knows it requires a preponderance of Democrats' votes (to pass a deficit plan)'', Mitchell told reporters.

''Now, the ironic situation (is) the administration is insisting that (the bill) must be written in a manner acceptable to them, even though that makes it unacceptable to the very persons who the administration acknowledges are needed to pass it,'' he said.

''It is the fact that ... the president is unable to produce half the Republican votes in the House for a package that he might support, which makes the situation difficult for the House Democratic leadership.''

Asked about Mitchell's ''Catch-22'' comment, Rep. Bill Frenzel, R- Minn., said ''If he is in a Catch-22 box now, it's one that he built for himself. He strung out these negotiations to an impossibly long time period and made it impossible to pass anything and now he's hoist on that pitard.''

The talks are aimed at reaching an agreement on a package of spending cuts and tax increases representing the major portion of a $500 billion reduction in the federal budget deficit over the next five years, with about $40 billion in savings in 1991.

Negotiators face a midnight Wednesday deadline when a stopgap funding bill expires, possibly bringing on another government shutdown.

More meetings between congressional leaders and administration negotiators were expected later Tuesday in an attempt to resolve the issue. But the mood seemed increasingly tense, angry and partisan.

Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas told reporters Republicans had ''accommodated enough.''

''Every time they (Democrats) want someting, we give in,'' he said.

Assistant Senate GOP leader Alan Simpson of Wyoming said that any deficit reduction plan would be ''simply a political statement - nothing more'' and that Democrats were ''going to put one in our ear in both Houses'' if they can.

''We're at a real impasse,'' said Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y.

Earlier, about half the House Democrats meeting in a two-hour closed caucus said they would oppose the GOP approach to taxing the rich through limiting deductions - a move many said would be unfair to those in high-tax states like New York and California.

Based on what was said during the caucus ''we're half-way there because half the members were supportive,'' Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D- Ill., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, said afterward. But, he said, ''that's not good enough'' to win House passage.

House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri said the ''two dominant messages'' from the Democrats were opposition to the Republican plan to increase taxes on the wealthy by limiting deductions and opposition to further Medicare cuts.

Democratic negotiators have argued for a straight 10 percent surtax on Americans who earn more than $1 million, rather than limiting deductions, but have not convinced Republicans.

Democrats also want to hold the line on Medicare cuts, which are expected to provide a substantial portion of the savings needed for the deficit package. Nearly all proposals would raise costs for Medicare beneficiaries, but the increases would be less under the House version than the administration-backed Senate plan.

Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Calif., chairman of the House Budget Committee, said the House figure for Democrats ''is very much a bottom line that we cannot move from.''

Rostenkowski said Democratic leaders warned the administration it must

compromise further in order to win Democratic votes necessary to pass the budget package in the House, ''but that keeps falling on deaf ears.''

On the campaign trail in Burlington, Vt., Tuesday, President Bush said he hopes a plan ''is about to be forthcoming.'' He did not say if he would sign another temporary funding measure if the deadline is missed.

Bush accused Democrats of bowing to special interests and said he had no choice but to agree to tax increases as part of any package.

''To come up with any budget at all this year, I had to work with the Democrats who control the Congress ... and that means a budget that isn't the best ever, but the best possible,'' he said.

The budget package also is expected to include a higher federal gasoline tax, but the amount was uncertain. The Senate bill raised the current 9-cent-a-gallon gas tax by 9.5 cents a gallon by 1992. The House version had no increase.

There was apparent agreement over the weekend on raising the top tax rate for the wealthiest from 28 percent to 31 percent. But Democrats wanted the surtax on millionaires in addition to the rate increase while Republicans offered the deduction limits.

Raising the top rate to 31 percent would elimiante the so-called bubble in which couples with taxable incomes of $78,400 to $185,750 a year pay a 33 percent tax rate and couples with even higher taxable incomes pay a lower, 28 percent rate on every dollar of taxable income above $185,750.

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#90296u1945 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 23) UPI - Baghdad Radio reports that Iraq has agreed to free all French nationals held as a shield against attack. The National Assembly agreed unanimously to free the French on a request by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The move comes hours after 14 American hostages were released and flew to the Jordanian capital of Amman. 33 sick and elderly British hostages being released are expected to land in London tomorrow.

The Pentagon says the United States now has more than 210-thousand troops in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf region. A spokesman says officials will decide this week whether to declare the deployment complete or to send more troops.

A Pentagon spokesman also says Defense Secretary Cheney will recommend that President Bush veto the eight-point-four-BILLION- dollar military construction bill. Cheney doesn't like the bill because it deletes money to build a new

NATO base at Crotone, Italy.

At Cape Canaveral, engineers have rigged the shuttle Atlantis for a critical fueling test. Technicians want to make sure the ship is leak- free and in tip-top shape for launch around November 10th on a long- delayed military mission.

South African President Frederik de Klerk says his government seeks universal voting rights in South Africa. Speaking today at the Hague in the Netherlands, de Klerk said there must also be safeguards for minorities in the country.

Uganda's president today said rebels in the East African nation of Rwanda have agreed to a government-proposed cease-fire. The Ugandan president has been sharply criticized for allegedly sponsoring the three-week rebellion.

The Commerce Department says personal income grew by only one-point- three percent in the second quarter. The goverment blamed the slow wage growth on an economic slowdown in the Plains, the West and the Southeast.

The chief of the Soviet general staff is to meet with NATO's military committee this week at the alliance's annual meeting in Brussels, Belgium. The committee will focus on NATO's post-Cold War role.

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ORLANDO, FL (OCT. 23) UPI - The nationwide average price of self-service gasoline inched up to $1.38 a gallon in the past week, while prices for other grades decreased slightly, the American Automobile Association said Tuesday.

The average price for a gallon of self-service regular gas rose 0.1 cents to $1.38, while mid-grade self-service unleaded declined 0.5 cents to $1.464 and premium unleaded dropped 0.3 cents to $1.548, the AAA said.

The average price of gasoline has risen 30.5 cents since Aug. 1, the day before Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, the AAA said. The highest price ever recorded by the AAA for self-service regular was $1.388 a gallon, just before the 1981 Easter weekend.

The ''fuel gauge survey,'' which is based on a nationwide spot check of stations for AAA by Computer Petroleum Inc., found the largest price increase was in New England, while prices decreased most in the Southeast and mid-Atlantic regions, the AAA said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.05	9.71
Anchor Fund Inv	14.34	15.21
Delaware Mutual	16.47	17.66
Fidelity Fund	15.91	15.91
Investors Mutual	10.52	11.07
Investors Stocks	17.69	18.62
Investors Select	8.29	8.73
IDS Equity Plus	8.59	9.04
MFS Growth Stock	7.95	8.57
Nicholas Income	3.03	3.03
United Accumulated	6.00	6.56
United Income	16.03	17.52
Vanguard Wellington	15.74	15.74

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#90296u1976 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - The House, after bitter accusations over who was to blame for the painful cuts, passed a bill Tuesday that would lead to a 25 percent cut in farm spending, but try to make up for it by giving farmers more freedom to look for money-making crops.

The farm policy bill, which now goes to the Senate, also takes new steps to protect water supplies from contamination by farm chemicals as well as creating the first-ever nationwide rules on what can be called organic food.

President Bush was expected to sign the bill. It sets the terms for farm subsidies, export promotion, research and public feeding programs for the next five years. The bill passed the House, 318-100, with opponents mostly being urban Democrats and Midwestern populists.

In writing the farm bill, lawmakers reluctantly embraced the so- called triple base plan in order to meet budget guidelines. Under triple base, 15 percent of the nation's wheat, feed grain, cotton and rice land would be inelgible for subsidies but farmers would be allowed to grow crops on the land.

Rep. Edward Madigan, R-Ill., angrily responded when Rep. Dan Glickman, D-Kan., said the administration ''has worked to lower farm prices in America'' and was to blame for the steep cut in farm subsidies.

''Do you want this bill to pass or do you want every Republican to vote against this bill?'' Madigan said. ''The budget resolution that passed this house ... called for these cuts. It was passed by your party.''

Agriculture Committee Chairman Kika de la Garza interceded, saying, ''All of us have had an impact as to where we are today.''

Triple base is the centerpiece of $13.6 billion in cuts in projected farm

program costs. As a precaution, the House and Senate Agriculture committees made the cuts contingent on passage over an overall bill to reduce the federal deficit by $500 billion.

If the overall budget bill passes, subsidy spending would drop by 25 percent, to $40.8 billion. It the budget bill fails, farm spending would revert to $54 billion and there would be no triple base or the other spending cuts.

By comparison, the 1985 farm policy law, written during the worst of the agricultural recession, was the most expensive ever with a pricetag of $78 billion.

''This is a black day for agriculture,'' said Rep. Ron Marlenee, D- Mont., who complained of the budget cuts and said the administration had ''accomplished through the budget process a capitulation that farm organizations never would have subscribed to.''

Throughout debate, congressmen said they hoped the new crop flexibility would allow farmers to find profitable crops.

''This does not necessarily represent a cut in farmer income because this bill frees acres that would otherwise be dedicated to government programs and allow farmers to make choices about planting other crops ... that can be sold in the market and can increase their income,'' Madigan said.

Added Rep. Harold Volkmer, D-Mo., ''In all the circumstances, it's the best we could do.''

Triple base would be accompanied by a 10 percent ''planting flexibility'' program. It has similar rules as triple base but would be voluntary.

One of the few crop initiatives to survive in the bill was a proposal to create a marketing loan for soybeans and other oilseeds, although at a far lower rate than first proposed.

Congressmen preferred triple base to the idea of further cuts in target prices which are down 10 percent since 1985. The farm bill would freeze target prices, a key factor in calculating subsidy payments.

Ttriple base is an untested idea. Agriculture Department studies foresee fairly modest shifts considering 20 million to 25 million acres could be covered each year.

Soybean acreage was forecast to rise 2 percent-4 percent, corn acreage to drop 2 percent-3 percent, cotton acreage to increase 4 percent-8 percent and wheat acreage to be relatively stable. Soybean acreage was most likely to increase in the Midwest and to decline in the South, where yields are lower.

Critics say triple base will have little value to farmers who live where the climate allows few crop choices - wheat in the Great Plains, for instance - or there is no network for marketing new crops.

Farm organizations complained about the huge cuts assigned to agriculture but said the farm bill probably was the best choice possible.

The 1985 farm policy law was a milestone as the first farm bill to link environmental and farm program goals. It required farmers to practice soil conservation to be eligible for crop supports, created the Conservation Reserve to take highly erodible land out of production and set up the ''sodbuster'' and ''swampbuster'' rules to protect fragile grasslands and wetlands.

The new farm bill would strengthen the swampbuster program, create two voluntary programs to protect water purity and require farmers to keep records on use of restricted-use pesticides. The Conservation Reserve and the so-called conservation compliance rule would continue.

To protect water purity, there would be a wetlands reserve of up to 1 million acres, created through purchase of easements, and a water quality incentive program of up to 10 million acres. The water quality program would pay farmers up to $3,500 a year for five years to help defray the cost of changing their practices to protect sensitive land.

Environmentalists hope the water quality program will lead to changes in land management that persist long after the final payment.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Consumers have little chance soon of seeing a drop in retail gasoline prices at the pump or in home heating oil prices despite the recent record drop in volatile wholesale oil markets, oil analysts said Tuesday.

''We probably will not see any change in gasoline prices unless we have a further decline in crude oil prices. At this point, the increases in crude prices (since the Persian Gulf crisis began) are just about being passed through to the consumer,'' said John Sauer, general manager of planning and analysis for Conoco Inc. in Houston.

''Logically, the retail price should stay just about where it is, instead of going up about 25 cents a gallon. But logic may not have anything to do with it,'' said Phillip Verleger of the Institute of International Economics in Washington, D.C.

The wholesale price of U.S. crude oil fell a record $5.41 to $28.38 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange Monday, $12 less than its high of Oct. 11.

Unleaded gasoline dropped 11.4 cents on the day and 19.5 cents over the period's seven trading sessions, while prices of its companion home heating oil fell 12.4 cents on the day and 29 cents over the same period of trading on the Merc.

Even though gas regained 3.7 cents of the loss Tuesday, its futures contract price on the Merc still stood around 80 cents a gallon, only 15 cents to 16 cents higher than Aug. 1, the day before Iraq's invasion of oil-rich Kuwait triggered the crisis.

Motorists, however, are paying on average about 30 cents a gallon more for gasoline at the pump than they did prior to the invasion.

Edwin Rothschild, energy policy director for Citizen Action, a consumers group said oil companies should be passing through to consumers the savings afforded by lower oil prices. But he said it was unlikely they would.

Rothschild said that when the oil companies began raising gas prices in August they said those increases reflected the ''replacement cost'' of crude oil. ''Now the replacement cost has dropped dramatically,'' he said.

Analysts also doubted the recent decline in wholesale prices would be soon passed along to consumers, unless they remain at these lower levels for awhilein the very volatile market.

Wholesale gasoline prices had risen as high as $1.11 a gallon on the Merc before the end of the summer driving season - a rise of about 37 cents from pre-invasion levels.

Partly because of public pressure and an appeal from President Bush to hold prices down, refiners were not able to ''pass along'' this entire increase to consumers, analysts said.

''I don't think retail gasoline prices should come under pressure initially. A one-day price swing on the Merc wouldn't be passed through to the consumer,'' said Fred Leuffer, senior oil analyst at New York's C.J. Lawrence Morgan Grenfell.

''For most of August and all of September, refiners' margins (between their cost of crude and the price charged for products) were depressed to levels that haven't been seen for awhile,'' Leuffer said.

This point was underscored by the earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30 of Mobil Corp. and Shell Oil Co., which depend on refining operations to generate most of their profits.

The two reported Tuesday respective declines in profits from a year ago of 29

percent and 33.2 percent, reflecting the higher prices they have had to pay for crude since the Gulf crisis began.

Other oil companies that receive more of their profits from the pumping of crude, such as Amoco Oil Co. of Chicago, have seen their earnings rise. Amoco last week reported a 57.7 percent increase in third-quarter earnings from a year ago.

Moreover, Amoco Tuesday dropped the its wholesale price charged distributors for gasoline by 1.25 cents a gallon and for heating oil and diesel fuel by 5.3 cents a gallon.

''We said at the time of rapidly rising prices that we were being responsive to the market, and the same holds true now,'' Robert Rauscher, Amoco's marketing vice president, said in a statement.

Leuffer said that the approaching winter should tighten the market for heating oil and push prices upward unless the Gulf crisis is resolved.

''I think crude oil prices will go back up and remain above $30 a barrel unless the crisis is solved,'' the analyst said. ''I wouldn't encourage consumers to look for relief.''

Gasoline prices might edge down 5 cents a gallon, but ''I wouldn't expect to see any large drop in gasoline prices until the crisis is over,'' agreed John Redpath of Energy Security Analysis in Washington.

Conoco's Sauer doubted crude-oil prices will fall further because of the decline experienced in U.S. crude inventories as imports from the Middle East have fallen off as a result of the Gulf crisis.

The United States had a ''cushion'' of about 55 million barrels in excess crude stocks over last year's levels prior to the Iraqi invasion. This has been largely eliminated.

''Because this stock cushion has been eliminated, I doubt that crude prices will fall (further) and we're getting into the high demand (winter heating) time of year,'' Sauer said.

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PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 23) UPI - A Portland man pleaded guilty Tuesday to 17 felony counts of sex abuse involving a teenage boy who was left in his custody even after state workers learned the man had a past sex abuse conviction.

Richard Herbert Smith pleaded guilty Tuesday to 11 felony counts of second-degree sodomy and six felony counts of using a child for sexually

explicit conduct, charges that involved taking nude photos of the boy.

Smith, 52, also pleaded guilty to two misdemeanor counts of second- degree sex abuse, also known as sexual touching, in an unrelated incident involving a 16-year-old girl and one misdemeanor count of providing alcohol to a minor.

Under a plea bargain, both sides have agreed Smith will be sentenced to 80 months in prison.

Four other misdemeanor counts of sexual touching involving the boy and seven counts of providing alcohol to two minor girls were dismissed as a result of the complicated plea bargain worked out by lawyer Richard L. Parker.

Smith was arrested in July and later pleaded innocent to 21 counts of sexually abusing a foster son who was 13 when placed in his care in May 1989.

Last month, Children's Services Division Administrator William Carey fired caseworker Janice Lessard and disciplined six other agency workers for leaving the boy with Smith for eight months after learning Smith had a previous sex abuse conviction in 1965 involving an 11-year-old girl in New York state.

The teenage boy had been placed in Smith's care after his mother was arrested for allegedly operating a methamphetamine lab. Carey called it ''probably the most mishandled case I've seen in my 28 years in social services.''

Multnomah County Circuit Judge Nely Johnson read from the plea agreement that said the offense ''involved a violation of the public trust in that the defendant was given responsibility for this child as a foster parent'' by the CSD.

Johnson set sentencing for Nov. 26 and ordered a pre-sentence evaluation to determine if Smith should be considered a sexual predator of children.

''It was a very good outcome,'' said Deputy District Attorney Chuck Sparks. ''He pleaded (guilty) to all the felonies and got the maximum amount of time the law provides. At the same time, the victims, especially the boy, did not have to experience a trial.''

Smith could get his sentence reduced by 20 percent for good behavior, Parker said. The attorney said he hopes Smith will be able to spend the last 18 to 24 months in the sex offender treatment program at Oregon State Hospital.

''That's the most complicated (plea) contract we've ever seen - the judge admitted to that,'' Smith's atorney said. ''I simply had to limit his exposure as much as I can, as well as balance the public and DA's office concerns. There's no doubt about the fact he did as well as he could.''

Parker called his client a ''very good candidate for treatment.''

''He has totally never denied anything with me,'' the attorney said. ''He's been one of the easiest clients I've ever had. He doesn't understand what happens and he wants to get some help for it. He has a problem.''

Sparks agreed that Smith appears to be a good candidate for treatment. But he added, ''If he's not completely cooperative in the treatment process, Oregon State Hospital will send him back to the State Penitentiary.''

Parker said he had been contacted by another attorney who plans to file a civil lawsuit on behalf of the boy.

Smith's arrest led the embattled CSD to beef up its staffing, seek state funds for more positions and overhaul its screening and review policies for foster parents.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - Iraq freed 14 Americans today, and Baghdad Radio says the country's National Assembly has agreed to release all French nationals in the country. Earlier today, a British jumbo jet flew to Baghdad to evacuate 33 ailing and sick British hostages. The B-B-C reports that former British Prime Minister Edward Heath secured exit visas for the Britons and the Americans. Heath is still bargaining for the freedom of others on a list of some 200 names.

Democrats are split in trying to come up with a budget plan before tomorrow night's deadline. About half the Democrats are resisting the Republican proposal to limit deductions for the rich and cut more from Medicare. House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Daniel Rostenkowski says there are NOT enough votes to pass the plan.

Syria's vice president says Lebanon's warring militias will NOT be allowed to block the formation of a Lebanese government. The official held a surprise meeting with Lebanese President Elias Hrawi today in Beirut. Syria would have a major role in assisting the Lebanese Army in maintaining security.

Security is tight across Pakistan before general elections. Tens of thousands of police are on duty to guard against violence. The clampdown comes as gunmen in an eastern city shot and killed a candidate of the Islamic Democratic Alliance, a loose coalition of parties opposed to ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto.

Researchers say they have developed a new technique that clears blocked fallopian tubes, which account for 30 percent of female infertility cases. Dr. Norbert Gleicher of Mount Sinai Hospital Medical Center and Rush Medical College in Chicago says the technique uses a tiny balloon to dislodge the

obstruction. Gleicher says the procedure- known as trans-cervical balloon tubo-plasty, or T-B-T- appears to be an effective alternative to surgery for some infertile women who want to become pregnant.

American movie reciepts are running just slightly behind last year's record-setting box office pace. Cinema lovers have shelled out nearly four-BILLION dollars so far this year. Industry analysts say action- adventure films such as ''Marked for Death'' and ''Memphis Belle'' and the continued popularity of ''Ghost'' have kept ticket sales from lagging.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Corporate bond defaults are likely to reach a 20-year high by the end of 1990 and defaults by commercial-paper issuers will continue at a worrisomely high level, Moody's Investors Service said Tuesday.

The credit-rating agency said the U.S. economic slowdown, ''precarious'' levels of debt on corporate balance sheets and a general credit market squeeze were the main factors driving up default rates.

Corporate bonds are long-term debt instruments, whereas commercial paper is a short-term vehicle for raising working capital.

In the first three quarters of this year, Moody's said, 48 rated issuers, all listed as speculative- rather than investment-grade, defaulted on bonds. In the same 1989 period, there were 33 defaults by rated issuers.

The agency said defaults were running at an annualized rate of 7.2 percent of all speculative-grade issuers, up from 5.1 percent last year.

''It promises to be the highest annual rate since 1970's 10.9 percent (rate) '' Moody's said. In 1970, 30 of Penn Central Railroad's subsidiaries defaulted on bonds rated as speculative-grade, Moody's noted.

Moody's reported five defaults by commercial-paper issuers in the first three quarters of the year, involving just over $300 million. In 1989, six issuers missed payments on some $712 million in commercial paper.

In the largest confirmed default to date this year, Mortgage & Realty Trust, an unrated issuer, defaulted on $167 million in commercial paper.

Including unrated corporate bonds, Moody's reported defaults on $12.3 billion of bonds through the first three quarters of 1990, for an annualized rate of 8.2 percent of the estimated $200 billion speculative-grade market.

At that level, Moody's said, defaults were running well ahead of $11.8 billion of rated and unrated bond defaults last year, when losses came to 5.9 percent

of the total speculative-grade market.

This year, industrial sector defaults accounted for 95 percent of the total dollar volume in the first three quarters. More than half involved companies that took on heavy debt in the 1980s to finance leveraged buyouts.

Notable among these were Federated Department Stores and Allied Stores Corp., which defaulted on nearly $3 billion of bonds in January. Southland Corp., a food-chain operator, defaulted on $1 million in bonds in March.

Moody's said defaults by such consumer-oriented firms were in part caused by a slowdown in U.S. household spending. A total of 23 companies were pushed into default by a downturn in American consumer demand, while weakness in real estate helped force another 10 companies into default, according to Moody's.

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DENVER (OCT. 23) UPI - The Adolph Coors Co. has agreed to pay a civil penalty of $450,000 to settle water pollution violations dating back more than a decade, the state Health Department said Tuesday.

The department had cited the brewing company June 19 for discharging without a permit into Clear Creek and Kinney Run, which flow near the brewery, from three springs contaminated with solvents.

Coors also had been cited for failure to notify the state when these three springs and another contaminated spring were pumped into the company's wastewater treatment plant.

The violations occurred as long ago as the late 1970s, the agency said.

The settlement announced Tuesday includes payment of $150,000 in cash, an additional deferred $50,000 civil penalty and contributions to the Colorado Center for Environmental Management and a bike path right- of-way to the Jefferson County Open Space Program.

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#90296u2110 10/23/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole intends to announce her resignation, becoming the first Bush Cabinet member to step down, an administration official said Tuesday.

Dole, transportation secretary during the Reagan administration and wife of Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas, plans to announce her resignation on Wednesday, the source said.

There were reports that Dole was leaving the administration to join the Red Cross in a top-level job. There was speculation on Capitol Hill that she was planning to run for the Senate in two years from her native North Carolina. That could not be confirmed.

Sen. Dole said his wife planned to meet with President Bush on Wednesday. A White House spokesman said he could not confirm that Mrs. Dole was about to quit her post.

A former registered Democrat, she was executive director of Lyndon Johnson's Commission for Consumer Affairs and deputy to Richard Nixon's consumer affairs adviser Virginia Knauer.

In 1973, she became the only woman member of the Federal Trade Commission, sworn in from a hospital bed as she recovered from a spinal problem. In 1982, she was named to the Reagan Cabinet.

She served as transportation secretary longer than any other in the department's history.

Dole presided over some of the most turbulent years in U.S. aviation history that saw public confidence shaken in airline safety and angry over deteriorating service.

Dole advocated requiring air bags or self-buckling safety belts for new automobiles and got her way in an administration not disposed to more government regulation.

She quit the Reagan Cabinet to help in her husband's unsuccessful bid for the presidency in 1988.

Mrs. Dole won Senate unanimous confirmation as labor secretary in January 1989.

Later that year, Mrs. Dole joined a delegation of top U.S. officials who traveled to Poland to deliver $20-million in food aid to that country's non-communist government.

In June of that year she was elected to Harvard's Board of Overseers. Mrs. Dole received her law degree from the Ivy League school.

The Doles were married Dec. 6, 1975. Dole is 13 years her senior and had been married once before with one child. The couple has no children.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - A former Penthouse Pet of the Year who sued publisher Bob Guccione for forcing her to sleep with his business clients was

awarded $4 million Tuesday by a judge who declared, ''Sexual slavery was not a part of her job description.''

The award was believed to be the largest in state history for a sexual harassment suit.

Declaring Guccione a liar, Acting Justice Elliott Wilk said the case came down to his word against the word of Marjorie Lee Thoreson, 37, also known as Anneka diLorenzo.

At the trial at state Supreme Court in Manhattan in March 1989, Guccione offered a ''blanket denial that the events took place. I do not believe him,'' Wilk wrote in his 20-page decision.

Instead, the judge believed Thoreson, who was under contract with Penthouse International Limited and was once Guccione's live-in lover at his Upper East Side townhouse.

After Thoreson became 1975 Pet of the Year and appeared in the porno film ''Caligula,'' Guccione began complaining about problems with two of his business associates and insisted she sleep with them to iron out the troubles.

Thoreson testified that she reluctantly agreed to have an affair with his London-based financial advisor but demanded it come to an end 18 months later when it appeared he planned to leave his wife and four children. In the second case, she said she initially refused to sleep with a furniture manufacturer from Milan but Guccione insisted she owed it to him and she capitulated.

She was eventually fired in 1980 when she refused to accompany Guccione to Japan on a promotion tour of Caligula.

Justice Wilk awarded Thoreson $4 million in punitive damages and $60, 000 in compensatory damages, noting Guccione's net worth is $150 million and Penthouse's assets are worth $200 million.

Citing the state's Human Rights Law, Wilk noted ''an employer is prohibited from exploiting a dominant position of power in the workplace by imposing sexual demands upon an employee as an implicit condition of continued employment.''

Although Thoreson may have willingly taken jobs posing nude for the magazine and performing sexual acts for the film, she never agreed to prostitute herself at Guccione's whim, Wilk said.

''Sexual slavery was not a part of her job description,'' Wilk wrote.

''When female employees such as the plaintiff are allowed to be confronted by sexual coercion on the job, women as a group are relegated to a subordinate

status,'' he wrote.

He said the law was particularly important for women employed ''in a workplace permeated by conceptions of women as sex objects,'' such as Penthouse.

Thoreson, who lives in California and has a 1-year-old daughter, burst into tears when she was informed of the decision in a phone call by her lawyer, Murray Schwartz.

''This is for all the women like her who suffered at the hands of Bob Guccione '' Schwartz said.

Guccione's lawyer said an appeal is likely.

''An award of this magnitude is an outrage,'' said Jeffrey Daichman. ''The decision reads more like a political manifesto about the women's movement than an objective analysis of the evidence.''

Guccione, in a statement issued after the decision, said the human rights law cited by the court ''does not permit the award of punitive damages.''

He said any sexual demands allegedly imposed upon Thoreson ''could not possibly have constituted an implicit condition of continued employment because after she discontinued the alleged affair she remained on the Penthouse payroll and received both a raise and a steady income.''

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SANTIAGO, CHILE (OCT. 23) UPI - Relatives of prisoners convicted of subversion peacefully occupied United Press International's downtown newsroom, demanding publication of manifestos, but left the office 70 minutes later without police intervention.

Five women and three men entered the 9th floor offices of UPI in a building one block away from La Moneda, the presidental palace, and staged a sit-in, declaring they were ready to ''stay indefinitely'' until the texts of two communiques were distributed on UPI news wires.

The group's statements demanded ''freedom for all political prisoners without conditions or exclusions'' and rejected a bill before Congress dealing with people sentenced for ''subversive activities'' under the military regime of General Augusto Pinochet, who ruled Chile for 16 years until March.

''We will not leave this office until we see our statements published in the national press in full,'' said Corina Diaz Aguilar, a spokeswoman for the group.

UPI National Editor Oton Gutierrez finally convinced the protesters they would not achieve their goals using pressure.

Police arrived at UPI's offices but did not intervene, and the demonstration ended peacefully.

About 250 men and women sentenced for subversion under Pinochet remain in jail according to human rights activists.

Government plans to confine them together in one prison have caused protests. Eighteen female prisoners burned clothes and mattresses early Tuesday in a small detention center in Santiago, authorities said.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - 14 Americans were among some 64 ailing Western hostages freed today by Iraq. The Americans and 50 British hostages left Baghdad for Amman, Jordan, aboard a British airliner. Upon their arrival, the Americans were whisked away by U-S officials to a hotel. Also today, Baghdad Radio says Iraq's National Assembly has agreed to free all French hostages. It said the estimated 350 French nationals are now free ''to leave or stay in Iraq.''

Amoco Oil responded today to developments in the Middle East by cutting wholesale prices for gasoline, diesel fuel and heating oil prices. The markdowns average one-and-a-quarter cents a gallon for gasoline and a shade more than five cents a gallon for diesel fuel and heating oil. The Chicago-based company says the cuts reflect lower crude oil costs... just as earlier price hikes reflected the crude market.

As budget negotiations continue, President Bush today defended a Republican congressman who voted for the original plan Bush supported. The president flew to three New England states to make a pitch for G-O-P congressional candidates- including Vermont Representative Peter Smith. In Burlington, Bush praised Smith for voting to end the deficit for future generations. Smith's opponent has accused him of supporting a tax plan which favored the rich.

Representative Donald Lukens of Ohio has 24 more hours before facing an order to testify before the House Ethics Committee on new allegations of making sexual advances to a congressional worker. Lukens' office says the Republican lawmaker asked for and was given a one-day delay. Lukens was convicted last year of having sex with a 16-year-old girl. The House committee today stripped him of some of his defense rights under House rules.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 23) UPI - Pathe Communications' long-awaited $1.3 billion

buyout of MGM/UA Communications took a major step forward Tuesday with former Pathe antagonist Time Warner agreeing to back the deal through a licensing agreement to the tune of $125 million.

MGM/UA's board, meanwhile, met Tuesday to consider Pathe's proposed financing package, which would include the sale of various MGM/UA assets once the deal goes through.

Although the board was expected to put its stamp of approval on the deal, it was unable to wrap things up Tuesday and will resume the meeting Wednesday, Pathe spokesman Craig Parsons said.

In any case, the announcement regarding the Time Warner deal, which calls for it to pay $125 million for a variety of worldwide home video rights owned by MGM/UA, provided a strong indication that Italian financier Giancarlo Parretti will have the venerable MGM studio in his hands by week's end.

Pathe, which is controlled by Parretti, said Monday it expected to close the MGM/UA deal by Friday and disclosed that it had deposited the nearly $1 billion required to complete the transaction.

Pathe and Time Warner, which had sued each other over a financing deal that collapsed in June, also said they have agreed to settle the litigation, clearing a potential stumbling block to Pathe's buyout.

The home video rights deal covers a 12 1/2-year period and includes films in the MGM, United Artists and Pathe/Cannon film libraries. The 1, 070-title United Artists library is one of MGM/UA's key assets, as it includes 16 James Bond movies, ''One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest,'' and the ''Pink Panther'' movies.

Time Warner also will acquire worldwide home video rights to current and future Pathe and MGM/UA releases, including ''Quigley Down Under,'' which took in nearly $4 million in its debut over the weekend and the Chrismas release ''The Russia House'' with Sean Connery.

Pathe, meanwhile, has already made $353 million in nonrefundable down payments for its buyout of MGM/UA. It said Monday that it had also raised $600 million in cash, from which it will get the MGM/UA logo, all future MGM/UA films and the company's television and distribution arms.

The television segment produces ''thirtysomething,'' ''The Young Riders'' and ''In the Heat of the Night.''

Pathe had also earlier this week announced a deal with Turner Broadcasting System of Atlanta that provided it with a major cash infusion - possible as much as $400 million - from the sale of domestic television rights to the valuable MGM/UA film library.

The Turner deal encompasses about 1,000 titles for its TBS and TNT cable channels, which are licensed for 10 years, and an additional 300 titles being licensed for five years for Turner's recently announced English-language TNT feed to Latin America, due to start next year.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - The Senate Ethics Committee agreed today to hold public hearings on the ''Keating Five'' affair next month and close the investigation by the end of the year. Democrats have accused Republicans on the panel of leaking stories to the media for political reasons. The probe focuses on five senators accused of granting improper favors to savings and loan executive Charles Keating.

Chicago politics is notorious for being dirty, but today the race for Cook County sheriff turned bloody. Police say a 34-year-old campaign worker was shot and critically wounded during a political argument outside a South Side tavern. Irving Bell reportedly was either hanging campaign posters for Democrat Michael Sheahan or defacing posters of incumbent Republican Jim O'Grady when he was shot.

Humphrey the wayward whale is in trouble again in San Francisco Bay. Whale researcher Kenneth Balcomb says the endangered humpback whale apparently broke away from his friends along the coast and wandered into the bay, where he has become hopelessly stuck in the mud. Humphrey captured international attention five years ago when he got lost and wandered through Northern California's inland waterways for three weeks. Now 18 rescuers in wet suits are trying to free him.

20-year-old Lisa Nelson probably thanks her luck stars- or raccoon. The Cornell University student slipped from a trail and fell more than 75 feet into a gorge yesterday... and lived to tell about it. Ithaca, New York, police say thanks to a soft, plump raccoon... which cushioned her fall... Nelson suffered only a broken wrist and other minor injuries. They believe the coed landed right on top of the hapless raccoon... saving her life. The animal was injured and is recovering at a local animal shelter.

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SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (OCT. 23) UPI - A missile hit a house located behind military headquarters Tuesday, killing two children and seriously wounding two women, military and Red Cross sources said.

''A missile was launched and fell on a house in the San Francisco neighborhood '' Army Col. Mauricio Vargas said.

Two explosions were heard in San Salvador at about 5 p.m.

Red Cross spokesman Ernesto Hurtado said 9-year-old Natalia Medina and 15-year-old Gerado Salazar were killed in the explosion, and Vilma Lando and Magdalena Salazar, both 49, were seriously injured.

The house, which sustained major damage, is located close to the military complex that houses the Salvadoran armed forces joint chiefs of staff.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 23) UPI - Humphrey, the whale that lost its way in Northern California's inland waterways in 1985, was freed Tuesday after spending a second day of high drama stranded in San Francisco Bay.

Coast Guard boats and environmentalists in dinghies were able to free Humphrey at about 4 p.m., pulling him off the rocks on their third attempt of the day to rescue the beast.

They then herded the wayward humpback across San Francisco Bay and toward the Golden Gate Bridge.

Earlier in the afternoon, around 2 p.m., a 41-foot search and rescue boat tugged at the recalcitrant animal while scientists played recordings of humpback sounds to lure him into deeper water.

But the 50-ton mammal, appearing disoriented, swam only about 50 yards and turned back to shore, where he again quickly became stranded.

Later, they tied another hawser to the whale and tugged him into deeper water. This time it took and Humphrey began swimming off.

More than 2,000 bystanders gathered at Candlestick Point to watch the effort. A picnic atmosphere prevailed under sunny skies that were dangerously warm for Humphrey.

One spectator, Bill Over of Pittsburgh, Pa., said he and a group of friends stayed over to watch the whale show after attending Sunday's 49ers-Steelers football game.

''I just want to tell my mother I'm watching the whale and not hanging out in a bar,'' he joked.

The mood of Humphrey's would-be rescuers - 18 men and women in wet suits, including a veterinarian, at least two biologists, a medical staff and volunteers - was not as light.

The endangered humpback was first spotted about daybreak Monday, stranded in 2 1/2 feet of water in the bay - a sight that created a traffic jam of leviathan proportions as motorists on shoreline roadways slowed and gawked at the beached giant.

Since then, the rescuers repeatedly doused Humphrey with water to keep his exposed skin wet. At about 2 a.m. Tuesday, during the morning high tide, they made their first attempt of the day to pry him free.

During the course of the day, the giant creature was draped with large towels that were constantly soaked with water to keep him wet and his body temperature down.

Humphrey captured the attention of the world five years ago when he got lost and wandered through the Sacramento River Delta for three weeks.

This time, he apparently broke away from his friends along the coast and wandered into the bay looking for herring, according to whale researcher Kenneth Balcomb.

''Humphrey has a different way,'' Balcomb said. ''He is always odd man out.''

A blood test taken Monday night showed Humphrey was healthy, though biologists feared he could crush himself to death by his own weight if he wasn't freed soon.

Still, ''his health is perfect,'' said Denize Springer, a spokewoman for the California Marine Mammal Center in Sausalito, across the bay from San Francisco.

''His respiration is even and deep. (There are) no outward signs of illness or injury,'' she added.

Peigin Barrett of the Marine Mammal Center said rescue workers teased and prodded Humphrey, even covering his blow hole to irritate him into action. It didn't work.

During the high tide of 2 a.m., the rescuers, using 12-foot 2-by-6- foot boards, tried to pry Humphrey from the mud while a boat tried to tug the whale into deeper water using a tow line.

But Humphrey ''didn't cooperate,'' Springer said. ''Usually when an animal is trapped it will coooperate to get out. He didn't.''

At one point, it was suggested that a crane be used. That idea, however, was scrapped.

''The sad part is that he's endangered and an adult and capable of making more of them (humpback whales), but that's not what he's interested in,'' Springer said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) UPI - Federal investigators have linked Minnesota Vikings place kicker Donald Igwebuike to an attempt to smuggle heroin into the United States from his native Nigeria, ABC News reported Tuesday.

The U.S. attorney's office in Tampa, Fla., has ''irrefutable evidence'' tying Igwebuike to another Nigerian native arrested two weeks ago at the Orlando airport. The man, who teaches school in Florida, was found to have 31 small bags of heroin in his stomach, ABC reported.

Investigators told the network that Igwebuike bought the man's plane ticket and participated in telephone conversations indicating he knew of the drug deal.

The Customs Service obtained a search warrant Tuesday for Igwebuike's apartment in a Minneapolis suburb. Igwebuike confirmed he was the subject of an investigation, but he would not comment further.

''This isn't supposed to be news yet. Talk to my attorney,'' Igwebuike told an ABC News reporter during football practice.

Igwebuike's attorney, Larry Reed, later said he was confident his client would be cleared.

''I heard the recording,'' Reed said. ''It was in the Nigerian language. I had it translated and there was no mention of drugs on the tape. I saw all of the evidence and all of the documents and there is nothing to connect Donald with this case.''

If indicted, Igwebuike would be the first National Football League player charged with trafficking heroin.

''We have not been contacted by federal authorities,'' the Vikings said in a prepared release. ''We have talked with Donald Igwebuike and and his attorney about the matter. We have contacted the National Football League and they are looking into the allegations.''

Igwebuike, 29, played college ball at Clemson before being selected by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in the 10th round of the 1985 draft. He spent five years with Tampa Bay before being released and was signed by Minnesota this season.

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#90296u2415 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 23) UPI - Congress and the Bush administration are trying to complete a deficit-reduction plan before tomorrow's midnight deadline. The two sides are bogged down over President Bush's insistence on a package that limits tax deductions for the rich- a provision rejected by about half of the Democrats in the House. But the plan favored by most congressional Democrats- imposing a surtax on Millionaires- is bitterly opposed by Bush. Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine says the situation is a kind of ''Catch-22.''

Baghdad Radio reports Iraq's National Assembly today agreed to free all French hostages. The report said some 350 French citizens are now free ''to leave or stay in Iraq.'' The announcement comes after the release of a group of ailing hostages... including 14 Americans and 50 Britons who were flown to Amman, Jordan. The hostage release was sought in a trip to Iraq this week by former British Prime Minister Edward Heath.

The shuttle Atlantis will undergo a crucial fueling test tomorrow morning. NASA plans to pump hydrogen rocket fuel through the shuttle's engine room into its external tank to see if there are any more leaks. Fuel seepage has kept the shuttle Earth-bound all summer. The shuttle now has a new tank and new seals inside a fuel-line connection.

The man who helped numerous states design and maintain execution equipment today pleaded innocent in Malden, Massachusetts, to fraudulently practicing engineering. As Fred Leuchter... who has been dubbed ''Dr. Death''... appeared inside the courthouse, Jewish groups protested outside. In 1988, Leuchter wrote a controversial report that contends the Nazis did NOT use gas chambers to kill Jews during the Holocaust.

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#90296u2434 10/23/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 23) UPI - Colombian police say special forces officers today raided a farm near Medellin and killed a top cocaine cartel figure and cousin to kingpin Pablo Escobar. Police say Luis Gaviria... who was in charge of security for his cousin... was one of two people killed in a gunbattle that erupted. It's the second time a cousin of Escobar has been killed this year. Gustavo Gaviria... said to be the Number Two man in the Escobar organization... was killed by police in a raid on a home in Medellin in August.

Police in Tonawanda, New York, say a woman killed her mentally retarded daughter because she didn't want anyone else to care for the young woman. Police say Patricia Kirisits told them she hit her 23-year- old daughter, Julie, with an umbrella stand and a vacuum cleaner before stabbing her with a knife and strangling her with a rope. Kirisits told police her daughter had the mental capacity of a six-year-old and that she could ''never stand anybody else caring'' for her child. She's charged with second-degree murder.

A man with cancer who says he stole 125-thousand dollars to provide for his family earlier this month was arraigned in New York City today. 59-year-old Bernard Gamble was arraigned in the boardroom of a hospital, where he is undergoing tests. Police say Gamble showed a gun to employees at a business in Kennedy International Airport... told them he had cancer... and added- ''I'm going to do what I have to do.''

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 23) UPI - Todd Marinovich, starting quarterback for No. 20 Southern Cal, was suspended Tuesday through this week for cutting class, and will miss Saturday's game at Arizona State, Trojan Coach Larry Smith said.

Smith said he met with the Marinovich family last month after receiving reports he was not attending class.

''At that time, we made an agreement that he would go to all his classes and we would monitor his attendance,'' said Smith. ''This afternoon, we received a report that he missed class last week. So we suspended him. If he meets his classroom commitments this week, he will be reinstated next week. Todd has assured us that he wants to play and be a part of this team and that it won't happen again.''

Marinovich went 18-for-35 for 174 yards and two touchdowns in a 35-26 loss last Saturday to No. 21 Arizona and was intercepted three times.

''We had an agreement that I would not miss class anymore,'' said Marinovich. ''I did not uphold that agreement, so I've got to suffer the consequences and be suspended for the week.''

Senior Shane Foley, who has completed 14-of-23 passes for two touchdowns as a reserve, will start for Southern Cal, 5-2, Smith said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 23) UPI - The Senate defeated a proposal Tuesday night that would have changed the Endangered Species Act and jump-started the process for seeking to lift logging restrictions aimed at protecting the northern spotted

owl.

The measure, killed on a 62-34 vote, was presented by Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., as an amendment to an $11.7 billion spending bill for the Interior Department and U.S. Forest Service for the fiscal year that began Oct. 1.

Packwood said he offered the proposal on behalf of thousands of loggers and mill workers in the Pacific Northwest who stand to lose their jobs due to cutbacks in timber harvests imposed to preserve the habitat of the spotted owl.

But debate over the amendment became a referendum on the 17-year-old Endangered Species Act and the larger conflict between economic interests and wildlife conservation.

The owl was classified in June as a threatened species, requiring the government to avoid activities - in this case timber sales - that jeopardize the bird's continued existence.

Scientists consider the owl an indicator species for the overall health of aging forests on the western slopes of the Cascades where the bird dwells, an ecosystem more abundant in plant and wildlife than tropical rain forests.

''If natural ecosystems go down the drain, we go down with them,'' said Sen. Timothy Wirth, D-Colo.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has concluded that current logging patterns in these ''old-growth'' forests is driving the owl toward extinction.

Since the owl was listed as threatened, all timber sales proposed by the Forest Service or Bureau of Land Management in the Northwest must be submitted to the wildlife service for review, and if deemed a threat to the owl, be modified or forbidden.

All such decisions are to be based strictly on scientific findings.

Under extreme circumstances, current law provides for the convening of a special Cabinet-level committee empowered to override the Fish and Wildlife Service and, for economic reasons, grant an exemption to a timber sale that otherwise would be outlawed.

The committee, popularly known as the God Squad, has been assembled only twice since its creation in 1978, once to review the conflict between the snail darter and the Tellico Dam in Tennessee and once to weigh the clash between the whooping crane and the Gray Rocks Dam in Wyoming.

Packwood's proposal would have enlarged the scope of the committee's review to allow the panel to judge overall forest management plans in the Northwest rather than individual timber sales.

It also would have directed the Forest Service and BLM to immediately submit their forest management plans to the Fish and Wildlife Service - the first step in the exemption process - without first completing biological studies required under current law.

Opponents argued that because the formal management plans of the Forest Service and BLM fail to reflect the listing of the spotted owl, the amendment would preordain a conflict with the Fish and Wildlife Service and virtually guarantee the convening of the ''God Squad.''

''Congress is being asked to step in and make the exemption process not a matter of last resort but a matter of first resort,'' said Sen. Albert Gore, D-Tenn. ''The process ... is being bypassed and hotwired by this amendment.''

Sen. John Chaffee, R-R.I., one of the original authors of the Endangered Species Act, said the Packwood measure ''tips the scales in favor of the exemption process. We ought to let the act work.''

Packwood described his proposal as an attempt to make a ''procedural'' adjustment to the Endangered Species Act and denied charges it was designed to stack the process in favor of an exemption.

''Let us exercise a process to consider the total picture,'' said Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore. ''We're not asking for that to be predetermined. We're merely asking for our day in court.''

Of the four senators from Oregon and Washington, the two states most affected by the spotted owl controversy, only Sen. Brock Adams, D-Wash., voted against the Packwood amendment. The three others - Packwood himself, Hatfield and Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash. - voted in favor of it.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - Sources say Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole will become the first Bush Cabinet member to step down when she announces her resignation tomorrow. A White House spokesman says he canNOT confirm that Dole is about to quit her post.

There's still NO movement on a deficit reduction plan as Congress and the Bush adminstration struggle over the issue of taxing America's wealthy citizens. President Bush is trying to woo Democrats into supporting a plan they say is UNacceptable.

Iraqi officials released 14 Americans and 50 Britons today and reportedly gave about 350 French hostages the freedom ''to leave or stay in Iraq.'' The 64 elderly people flown to Jordan were helped by an appeal from former British

Prime Minister Edward Heath.

Prices on the wholesale oil market have taken record tumbles in recent weeks... but that doesN'T translate into good news for consumers. Oil analysts say there'll probably be NO change in gasoline pump prices unless there's a further decline in crude oil prices.

Ohio Republican Donald Lukens will once again face the House Ethics Committee to answer allegations about a sex scandal. Lukens, who was convicted last year of having sex with a 16-year-old girl, is now accused of making UNwanted sexual advances to a congressional employee.

The House today passed a farm policy bill that'll lead to painful cuts for the nation's farmers. The bill calls for a 25-percent cut in farm spending, but tries to ease the shock by giving farmers more freedom to look for money-making crops.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - Researchers at a Chicago hospital say there's a new technique that could serve as an alternative to surgery for some infertile women who want to become pregnant. The method uses a tiny ballon to clear blocked fallopian tubes.

One of two youths standing trial in New York on charges of attacking a Central Park jogger last year stood and faced two alleged victims today of the April 1989 ''wilding'' incident. Neither witness could identify Kharey Wise as part of the teen-age gang that attacked them.

A Portland, Oregon, man will be sentenced to more than six years in prison after pleading guilty today to 17 felony counts of sex abuse involving his teen-age foster son. The boy was left in the man's care even after state workers learned the man had a past sex abuse conviction.

The U-S Justice Department ordered Exxon to remove an exhibit from the Anchorage, Alaska, courthouse building where the oil company faces criminal charges stemming from the worst oil spill in U-S history. The exhibit boasted of Exxon's efforts to clean up the spill.

Colorado health officials say the Adolph Coors Company agreed to pay a civil penalty of nearly half-a-Million dollars to settle a suit charging the brewery with water pollution violations. The violations dated back more than a decade.

Flooding knocked out bridges in the South and Middle Atlantic region of the nation today as days of steady rain continued in several states. High winds and a tornado struck North Carolina, but NO injuries were reported.

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(OCT. 23) UPI - A Bush administration official says Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole will announce her resignation tomorrow. There are UNconfirmed reports Dole is taking a top job at the Red Cross... as well as speculation she will run for the Senate in two years in her native North Carolina. The 54-year-old Dole has held several high-level federal posts and served as transportation secretary during the Reagan administration.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell says the House is in a ''Catch-22'' situation on the issue of taxing the rich in its bid to work out a deficit reduction plan. Mitchell says President Bush insists the budget bill be written in a manner acceptable to him, even though that makes it unacceptable to House Democrats... whom the administration acknowledges are needed to pass it. Congress and the administration face a deadline of midnight tomorrow to pass a deficit reduction plan.

Iraq freed 64 Western hostages today... 14 Americans and 50 Britons. Later, Baghdad Radio reported Iraq will free all French nationals, believed to total about 350. The announcement came after the group of ailing Western hostages arrived in the Jordanian capital of Amman aboard a British airliner. Their freedom was won by an appeal by former British Prime Minister Edward Heath.

In Boston, black leaders today declared the one-year anniversary of the Carol Stuart murder case a day of mourning. The leaders urged residents to wear black armbands and drive with their headlights on during daylight hours to mourn the injustices committed against the black community in the aftermath of the murder of Charles Stuart's pregnant wife. Stuart told police a black mugger shot him and killed his wife... but later committed suicide as police sought to arrest him for the crime.

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#90297b0006 10/24/1990 ~Business Wire
ATLANTA (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - First Financial Management Corp. (NYSE:FFM) (FFMC) Tuesday announced that it has signed an amendment to its existing debt agreement with a consortium of banks.

The amendment provides for an additional $28 million to the existing $162 million term loan outstanding plus a $95 million revolving credit. The term loan is for six years with semi-annual payments. The outstanding portion of the revolving line of credit at 12/31/92 will be converted to a four year term loan with semi-annual payments.

The funds will be used for general corporate purposes, including acquisitions, should suitable opportunities be available. Patrick H. Thomas, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer stated, ''This additional

financing provides the company with adequate capital to continue our expansion program. The structure of the agreement allows flexibility as changes in the marketplace occur over time.''

FFMC is an information services company which offers a broad range of data processing and related services to a large and diverse customer base. The company provides products and services to financial institutions, retail merchants, governments and other industries.

It is a leader in financial institution processing, data imaging, micrographics, electronic data base services, debt collection, and health and pharmaceutical claims processing and is one of the largest merchant credit card processors in the country.

FFMC also owns Georgia Federal Bank FSB, the largest savings institution and one of the largest retail banks based in Georgia and its subsidiary, First Family Financial Services, a major regional consumer finance company. Its common stock is currently traded on the NYSE under the symbol FFM. Its debentures are quoted through NASDAQ under the symbol FFMCG.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CA (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Nationwide Health Properties Inc. (NYSE:NHP) Wednesday announced increased earnings for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

Nationwide, a real estate investment trust (REIT) which owns long-term care and other health-related properties, reported earnings of $12,643,000, or $1.16 per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $8,436,000, or $1.03 per share, in the same period of 1989.

Quarterly earnings increased to $4,464,000 from $3,453,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Per-share earnings decreased to 40 cents in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, from 42 cents for the year-earlier period.

Results for most of the nine months and all of the quarter were affected by the $42 million public offering of 3 million shares in January 1990.

Nine-month and quarterly revenues for 1990 were $23.36 million and $7.97 million compared with $26,739,000 and $9,047,000 for the same periods of 1989.

Nationwide President and Chief Executive Officer R. Bruce Andrews said: ''Earnings increases are primarily due to the debt reduction made possible by

our recent financial restructuring, which included the public offering earlier this year. These results also reflect the sale of some facilities which had the effect of reducing revenues and increasing earnings.''

Andrews pointed out that the recent $22 million acquisition of 12 health-care properties in Texas and the agreements for their operation by ARA Living Centers of Texas were completed at the end of this quarter and therefore did not contribute to the earnings increase.

Nationwide Health Properties Inc.
Results of Operations
(In thousands except per-share amounts)

	Three months ended Sept. 30,		Nine months ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 7,970	$ 9,047	$23,360	$26,739
Net income	$ 4,464	$ 3,453	$12,643	$ 8,436
Net income per share	40 cents	42 cents	$ 1.16	$ 1.03
Shares used to compute per-share data	11,195	8,195	10,876	8,195

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#90297b0015 10/24/1990 ~Business Wire

HAMILTON, OH (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Ohio Casualty Corp. (NASDAQ:OCAS) recorded net income of $1.62 per share in the third quarter 1990 up from 95 cents in 1989.

Realized investment losses after tax for the quarter were 19 cents per share compared with 14 cents per share in the third quarter 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $3.53 per share compared with $4.42 per share in 1989. Realized investment losses were 44 cents per share during the first nine months of 1990 compared with realized investment gains of 9 cents per share in 1989.

The combined loss and expense ratio for the first nine months was 104.5 percent compared with 102.7 percent for 1989. The third quarter combined ratio was 100.6 percent in 1990 and 106.3 percent in 1989. Year to date catastrophic losses added 1.9 percent to the combined ratio compared with 2.1 percent in the previous year.

Net property and casualty investment income for the nine month period, excluding realized investment losses, was $134.4 million, $6.84 per share, compared with $141.4 million, $6.57 per share, in the previous year. This

represents an increase of 4.1 percent per share over 1989.

Gross premiums and related income increased 5.2 percent to $1,141.1 million for the first nine months of 1990. Net property and casualty written premiums were $1,107.4 million, an increase of 5.5 percent over 1989.

Life insurance premium income for the first nine months of 1990 was $12.3 million compared with $11.6 million in 1989, an increase of 5.9 percent. Life insurance operations recorded a net loss of 2 cents per share compared with net income of 19 cents per share in 1989. Realized investment losses amounted to 22 cents and 4 cents per share in 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Consolidated assets totalled $3.1 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $3.2 billion one year ago. Investments in securities amounted to $2.4 billion at cost, and had an estimated fair market value of $2.4 billion at Sept. 30, 1990. Investments in taxable high yield and unrated securities have an aggregate carrying value, determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, of $485.2 million. The current estimated fair market value of such high yield and unrated securities is approximately $408.9 million. At Dec. 31, 1989, investments in taxable high yield and unrated securities had a carrying value of $700.7 million and a market value of approximately $655.1 million.

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DALLAS (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Care International Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:MEDC) Wednesday announced substantially higher revenues and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with the year-earlier period.

The company's operating performance for the third quarter was highlighted by continued year- over-year growth in same-unit cases, together with record net revenues per case on a same-unit basis. Medical Care's results for the third quarter also reflected the addition of three surgery centers since Sept. 30, 1989.

On a per share basis, earnings rose 42 percent to 34 cents compared with 24 cents last year. Net revenue for the period totaled $58,140,000 vs. $35,023,000 in the third quarter of 1989, representing an increase of 66 percent.

Medical Care International is the nation's largest owner and operator of freestanding outpatient surgery centers. The company's facilities include 70 surgery centers and 10 specially equipped eye care practices located from

coast to coast, where a variety of surgical procedures are performed that do not require an overnight hospital stay.

MEDICAL CARE INTERNATIONAL INC.
Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenue	$ 58,140	$ 35,023	$169,753	$101,274
Costs and expenses:				
Operating expenses	40,453	24,496	116,288	69,720
Depreciation and amortization	2,668	1,884	7,867	5,349
Operating income	15,019	8,643	45,598	26,205
Other income (expense):				
Interest expense	(1,935)	(1,323)	(4,759)	(4,384)
Interest income	1,581	879	3,335	1,626
Minority interest	(3,525)	(1,893)	(9,997)	(5,563)
Other, net	290	360	132	528
Income before income taxes and extra-ordinary items	11,430	6,666	34,309	18,412
Provision for income taxes	4,399	2,493	13,207	7,191
Income before extra-ordinary items	7,031	4,173	21,102	11,221
Effect of utilizing net operating loss carryforward	--	584	--	1,957
Early extinguishment of debt, net of tax benefit	(1,111)	--	(1,273)	--
Net income	$ 5,920	$ 4,757	$ 19,829	$ 13,178

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DAYTON, OH (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. Wednesday announced its Direct Mail Program, a significant new co-marketing program for the company's direct resellers that will provide them with tri-folded self-mailers and ''tear-off'' inquiry cards which can be used to generate sales leads.

''Our new Direct Mail Program enables all direct NCR resellers to attract qualified sales leads through customized mailings which demonstrate NCR's systems-based customer solutions and the reseller's value-added services and support,'' said Mike Dubrall, director of marketing and support in NCR's cooperative marketing division.

The Direct Mail Program will provide resellers with a customized direct mail

place that emphasizes the direct reseller's commitment and expertise in providing customer solutions, and it offers suggestions on how to use direct mail campaigns most effectively.

In addition, resellers can be reimbursed for their direct mail expenses through NCR's ValuePlan cooperative funding program.

According to Dubrall, ''ValuePlan, used in conjunction with the Direct Mail Program, makes it easy and inexpensive for resellers to generate leads through direct mail.

''The biggest advantage for a reseller, besides the generation of ready-to-buy prospects, is enhanced reputation and name-recognition among qualified buyers. Our program also provides promotional material that can be used in other marketing campaigns such as trade shows and sales visits,'' DuBrall stated.

The Direct Mail Program is one of a growing series of lead generation programs for NCR resellers. Another program, the Trade Show Program, provides backdrops, pedestals and other materials which enable resellers to generate leads through trade show participation. Upcoming plans will include telemarketing and enhanced advertising programs.

NCR Corp., with headquarters in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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#90297b0020 10/24/1990 ~Business Wire

AKRON, OH (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The tire industry is in a down cycle and Goodyear earnings are depressed, but the company has taken major steps to bounce back in a fiercely competitive market, Chairman Tom H. Barrett said in a message accompanying the Nine-Month Report to Shareholders.

Barrett said he shares concerns about the price of Goodyear stock, but, ''I am comfortable that we have developed and are implementing plans that provide the foundation for our company's long-term leadership in the tire industry.''

Citing the unprecedented industry consolidation that has left five companies with 72 percent of the world market, Barrett said management anticipated developing problems and initiated actions to make the company more cost effective and flexible.

''But putting these plans in place led to restructuring charges in the second and third quarters that amount to approximately $80 million before taxes and

accounted for the major portion of our losses in those periods,'' he said.

The sales and marketing functions were consolidated to create a more efficient organization that is ''closer to the customer and ready to adjust to changes in the marketplace in the future,'' he said.

One result of the restructurings will be the reduction of salary rolls by an additional 3,000 employees by mid-1992, the chairman reported, putting worldwide employment at 106,000 compared to 109,000 currently and 115,000 just two years ago.

Barrett also addressed the debt reduction objective.

''We are managing our working capital to match market requirements,'' he said.

The company reduced plant schedules to put product inventories in line with demand. ''Through our new organization we are able to operate at lower and more efficient inventories and better serve our customers,'' he said.

''Our 1990 capital spending will be $100 million lower than the $700 million originally planned,'' he said, and 1991 capital spending is targeted below expected depreciation of $450 million.

Barrett said the reduction is possible because the company has substantially completed its conversion to radial tire production and plants are generally modern, ''thanks to our extensive investment in prior years.''

Worldwide, tire unit sales were up 2.7 percent through the first nine months. New Goodyear brand tires such as the luxury/touring Eagle GA and the fourth generation all-season tire, Invicta GS, have been well received in the United States, Barrett said.

In addition, the new Just Tires retailing concept offering guaranteed fast service at competitive prices has produced encouraging results to date.

The Kelly-Springfield subsidiary has been achieving record sales, increased earnings and healthy cash flow -- and in 1991 begins an arrangement with Sears to supply more than 500,000 tires a year.

Barrett stated that in 1990, the All American Pipeline is transporting an average of 100,000 barrels of oil daily from the West Coast to Texas. He said he could not predict when higher oil prices would lead to offshore California crude in the pipeline.

During the consolidation of the industry, Goodyear has held its market position, Barrett said, by virtue of its strengths in manufacturing, distribution, research and development, and quality products and services.

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#90297b0021 10/24/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantic Records has announced the establishment of a new division, East West America.

The announcement was made this week by Atlantic Chairman/Chief Executive Officer Ahmet M. Ertegun and President/Chief Operating Officer Doug Morris. Heading the new venture are longstanding Atlantic senior executives Sylvia Rhone and Vince Faraci, who have been named co-presidents of the label.

Rhone will serve as president/chief executive officer, while Faraci will serve as president/chief operating officer.

First releases from East West America are scheduled for January 1991, with initial artists to be announced in the near future. In addition to new signings, the EWA roster will include artists from the current Atlantic roster as well as selected artists signed by Atlantic's British sister company, East/West U.K.

A full service label, East West America joins Atlantic and Atco to become the third free-standing division under the umbrella of the Atlantic Recording Corp. EWA will begin operations with A&R, marketing, promotion, publicity and sales departments in place. In the promotion area, the company will have its own complete national and field staff, covering all musical formats.

Based in New York, the label will also open a West Coast office. Staff appointments in all areas will be announced in the upcoming weeks. In addition, East West America will utilize ''back office'' services of Atlantic Records in various areas.

Rhone commented: ''Doug Morris's decision to have two Atlantic executives head this new label venture is a perfect illustration of his unique management style. Drawing on the company's internal human resources, he is giving Vince and myself a chance to take our careers and our visions to the next plateau.

''This innovative approach in the executive area will undoubtedly be reflected in our artistic philosophy -- at East West America, the music will come first. Since artist development is the lifeblood of our industry, we intend to keep our roster to a manageable size, thus giving each and every one of our signings undivided attention."

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#90297b0023 10/24/1990 ~Business Wire
AKRON, OH (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - A loss of $61.4 million or $1.06 per share in the third quarter was reported today by Goodyear.

Major factors in the loss were unusual charges totaling $51.7 million after tax or 89 cents per share.

In September, the company announced that these charges and other factors would lead to a loss for the quarter.

In the 1989 third period, the company recorded net income of $70.5 million or $1.22 per share.

Worldwide sales rose 8.2 percent above the 1989 period to $2.9 billion during the three months.

Chairman Tom H. Barrett noted that severe competitive pricing in the replacement market; reduced auto and truck production; increased selling, administrative and general expenses; and production cutbacks to reduce inventories contributed to the quarter's loss.

The third quarter unusual charges included $46.4 million before tax for restructuring. The costs resulted from: a realignment of European tire marketing, distribution and production operations, which will eliminate approximately 1,180 jobs by mid- 1992; the phaseout of medium and heavy truck tire production at the Valleyfield, Quebec, plant; rationalization of production operations in Canada and Argentina.

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#90297b0025 10/24/1990 ~Business Wire
CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS, OH (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - American Steel & Wire Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:RODS) Wednesday announced operating results for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the quarter was $409,000, or 5 cents per share, vs. net income of $393,000, or 5 cents per share, for the like period last year.

The company reported record first quarter sales of $53,138,000, up 31 percent from sales of $40,507,000 in last year's comparable period, which was adversely affected by operating inefficiencies experienced in conjunction with the Cuyahoga Works rod mill modernization project.

Operating profit of $3,220,000 for the first quarter more than doubled from the year-ago level of $1,544,000 and helped to absorb increased interest expense resulting from the June 1990 recapitalization of the company.

Commenting on the operating results, Thomas N. Tyrrell, president and chief executive officer, said, ''The good momentum with which we completed fiscal 1990 has been maintained to date in fiscal 1991. Customer acceptance of the improved quality capability of our modernized rod mill continues to grow. This trend, in addition to good cost control efforts, has provided the company with steadily improving product mix and operating profit margins over the past three fiscal quarters. Despite the relatively soft economic outlook, we expect to improve AS&W's profitability in fiscal 1991. In particular, we expect a strong performance in the second half, traditionally our best selling season.''

American Steel & Wire Corp. specializes in manufacturing high-quality steel rod and wire from semi-finished steel billets at its two facilities in Cleveland and one facility in Joliet, Ill. The company's customers are in the automotive, fastener, welding, appliance and aerospace industries.

American Steel & Wire Corp.
Statements of Income
(Unaudited, in thousands, except for per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$53,138	$40,507
Cost of goods sold	47,225	36,144
Gross profit	$ 5,913	$ 4,363
Selling, general and administrative expense	2,693	2,819
Operating profit	$ 3,220	$ 1,544
Interest expense, net	2,774	1,022
Other income	169	112
Income before income taxes	$ 615	$ 634
Income tax provision	206	241
Net income	$ 409	$ 393
Earnings per share:		
Net income	5 cents	5 cents
Average shares of common stock outstanding	8,299	8,371

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Parker Hannifin Corp. (NYSE:PH) Wednesday declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 23 cents per share of common stock payable Dec. 7, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 21.

This is Parker's 162nd consecutive quarterly dividend and involves a distribution of $11.2 million.

Parker Hannifin is a leading producer of motion-control components and systems for a wide range of industrial and aerospace markets. Sales from continuing operations in fiscal 1990, ended June 30, were $2.45 billion, with net income of $111.5 million.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - JRM Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ:JRMX) announced its results for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, as follows:

JRM HOLDINGS INC.
Financial Results

	Three Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net revenues	$ 489,901	$ 603,255
Income (loss) continuing Ops	18,114	130,190
Income (loss) discontinued Ops	(205,874)	(535,395)
Net income (loss)	(187,760)	(405,205)
Net income (loss) per share continuing Ops	1 cent	8 cents
Net income (loss) per share discontinued Ops	(12 cents)	(32 cents)
Net income (loss) per share	(11 cents)	(24 cents)

	Twelve Months Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net revenues	$2,307,591	$2,095,222
Income (loss) continuing Ops	119,485	(130,523)

Income (loss) discontinued Ops	217,576	(1,535,714)
Extraordinary item	410,000	-
Net income (loss)	747,061	(1,666,237)
Net income (loss) per share continuing Ops	7 cents	(8 cents)
Net income (loss) per share discontinued Ops	12 cents	(92 cents)
Net income (loss) per share	43 cents	1.00

The company reported a 10 percent increase in revenues and a 13 percent decrease in costs and expenses. The revenue increase is due primarily to the sale of assets and the decline in costs and expenses is a result of cost reduction measures being implemented by the directors and management of the company. Working capital increased by $1.6 million to $3.3 million at the end of the fiscal year.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint and most United Telecommunications Inc. local telephone companies have announced agreements where most US Sprint residential customers will be billed for their long distance calls along with local calls in a single bill at no extra charge.

Local United companies that have converted to equal access and are therefore eligible to offer this feature include:

United Telephone Company of Florida United Telephone Company of Ohio United Telephone Company of Indiana United of the West (Nebraska) United Inter-Mountain (Tenn. & Va.) United of the Carolinas (S. Carolina) United of the Midwest (Missouri, Minnesota & Kansas) Carolina Telephone (N. Carolina) United Telephone Company of New Jersey

Customers who choose this feature will transition to the single billing invoice option in the next few months.

The local company will be responsible for the production and collection of the bill, and will handle any questions regarding payment procedures. Specific questions about US Sprint's services will be directed to US Sprint.

The single invoice option will continue to support the existing residential services US Sprint now offers its customers, such as FONCARD, international calling and volume discounts. This program will enable local company customers to write a single check and use one stamp to pay local and long distance charges.

US Sprint billing through these local companies will provide many benefits for its customers:

- More efficient billing for residential customers. - More reasons to stay with US Sprint. - An opportunity to offer expanded programs and creative options in the future for customers.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City.

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LOVELAND, OHIO (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Baldwin Piano & Organ Co.'s net earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, increased 57 percent to $653,000 from $415,000 a year ago.

Earnings per share increased 73 percent to 19 cents from 11 cents per share last year. Baldwin's sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, decreased 10 percent to $28,108,000 from $31,248,000 a year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, Baldwin's net earnings increased 22 percent to $2,144,000 from $1,754,000 last year. Earnings per share increased 33 percent to 60 cents from 45 cents a year earlier. Sales decreased 9 percent to $84,267,000 from $92,487,000 in the prior year.

The increase in Baldwin's net earnings in the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 compared to the like period of 1989 was primarily the result of lower interest costs, reduced selling and administrative expenses and improved operating results from Wurlitzer.

Baldwin Piano & Organ Co.
Financial Results
(In Thousands, Except Earnings Per Share)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$28,108	$31,248	$84,267	$92,487
Net earnings	653	415	2,144	1,754
Net earnings per share	19 cents	11 cents	60 cents	45 cents
Average number of shares outstanding				

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Baldwin Piano & Organ Co. is the largest domestic manufacturer of keyboard musical instruments, and also manufactures grandfather and other quality clocks, printed circuit boards and wooden cabinets.

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DENVER (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Grease Monkey Holding Corp. (NASDAQ:GMHC) Wednesday announced the memorandum of understanding for Pit Stop Auto Centers Inc. (NASDAQ:PSAC) to acquire Grease Monkey has been terminated and Grease Monkey has made an offer to acquire Pit Stop.

Grease Monkey has proposed that the Pit Stop shareholders receive 28 shares of Grease Monkey common stock in exchange for each Pit Stop share, for a total of 28 million new Grease Monkey shares.

In addition Grease Monkey has proposed that the Pit Stop warrant holders receive Grease Monkey warrants for 11.2 million shares, exercisable at 28 cents per share through July 31, 1995, in exchange for 400,000 Pit Stop warrants outstanding. If accepted, and consummated, Pit Stop shareholders will then own approximately 45 percent of Grease Monkey.

Arthur Sensenig, president of Grease Monkey, said: ''The combination, as originally structured, was not acceptable after reviewing the relative values of both companies.

''We hired the investment banking firm of Neideger/Tucker/Brunner to determine the value of both Grease Monkey and Pit Stop. The offer by Grease Monkey to acquire Pit Stop reflects a reasonable valuation of both companies.''

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Fujitsu Systems of America Wednesday introduced the Atrium9000 Primary/88, an 8088 microprocessor-based point-of-sale (POS) terminal.

Unveiled at the Retail Information Systems Conference in St. Louis, Primary/88 is the newest member of the company's Atrium9000 product family.

Fujitsu's Atrium9000 is a retail management system that includes PC controllers, controller terminals, intelligent primary terminals and non-intelligent satellite terminals. Atrium provides full sales transaction processing, credit authorization, manager workstation functions and host communications capabilities.

Primary/88 is an intelligent industry-standard POS terminal, running the MS-DOS operating system. The initial primary terminal in the Atrium line, an 80286-based terminal, runs either MS-DOS or Microsoft OS/2.

Primary/88 utilizes virtually all of the same modular hardware components (e.g., cash drawer, displays, etc.) as the other terminals in the Atrium9000 product family. Use of common hardware components provides maximum installation flexibility and minimizes maintenance costs. Different terminals, displays and keyboards may be mixed in each store to match individual checkstand requirements, with no additional training.

Atrium9000 controllers now support primary terminals running either Microsoft OS/2 or MS-DOS. Both MS OS/2-based and MS-DOS-based primary terminals may run in the same store, offering additional system configuration flexibility. As a result, the new Primary/88 terminal can be easily added to an existing Atrium9000 store system. The Primary/88 terminal will be available in the fourth quarter of 1990.

Fujitsu Systems of America Inc. is one of the Fujitsu Ltd. family of companies. A global leader in computer and telecommunications technology, Fujitsu Ltd. has annual revenues of more than $16 billion. Fujitsu Systems of America, a major suppier of end-user systems to the U.S. market, designs, develops and markets POS systems, automated teller machines and handheld computer systems.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Santa Clara Valley Water District General Manager Ronald R. Esau Wednesday announced the appointment of P. Kay Whitlock, P.E., as district flood control manager.

Whitlock, formerly chief engineer of the DuPage County Stormwater Management Division in Chicago, will begin her district position Nov. 13.

Whitlock's position with the Valley Water District will involve the management

of long- and short-range flood control planning and design as well as all district hydrology, environmental services and ordinance administration. She will manage a staff of 50 and a $40 million budget.

''We're pleased to have Kay Whitlock accept the flood control manager position with our district,'' Esau said. ''She brings more than 20 years of experience in effective flood control and stormwater management programs.''

Whitlock accepted her chief engineer position with DuPage County's Stormwater Management Division in 1988.

Under her direction a stormwater plan was adopted in 1989, the development of watershed plans began, a stream maintenance program was tested and approved, construction of the first major flood control project will begin this fall, and a comprehensive stormwater ordinance was developed and soon will undergo public review.

Whitlock is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and was elected by the society as 1989 Chicago Government Civil Engineer of the year.

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GLENDALE, CALIF. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Spear Financial Services Inc. (NASDAQ:SFNS) announced a $466,285 after-tax profit for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, on record revenues of $7,398,851.

In the comparable 1989 quarter, the company had revenues of $5,403,151 and a profit of $75,955.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, the company reported a profit of $950,535 on revenues of $19,084,489. For the first nine months of 1989, the company had a profit of $119,524 on revenues of $15,508,507.

Third quarter 1990 primary and fully-diluted after-tax earnings were 6 cents per share and year-to-date earnings were 12 cents per share. Third quarter and year-to-date 1989 earnings were 1 cent per share and 2 cents per share, respectively.

''Our excellent third quarter performance was principally due to the continuing growth of our insurance marketing subsidiary, James Mitchell & Co. (JMC). JMC produced almost 75 percent of the company's revenue in the third quarter of 1990,'' the company's chairman, Charles M. Spear, said. JMC markets tax-advantaged insurance products to customers of client financial institutions.

The company also identified that Barnett Banks Inc. has signed a three-year contract with James Mitchell and Co. This relationship was announced earlier but the client was not identified at that time. Sales at Barnett are expected to begin in November.

In addition to its insurance business, Spear Financial Services also operates two securities divisions: Spear Securities Inc., a California-based discount retail discount brokerage firm, and TCW Inc., a Pacific Stock Exchange specialist operation. Discussing these operations, Spear said, ''Our securities subsidiaries were somewhat stronger in the third quarter of 1990 than in 1989, but we do not expect significant growth in these operations.''

During the third quarter, the company repurchased and retired a large block of its securities, soliciting the purchase of 1,086,221 shares from its second largest holder, Liberty Mutual Insurance co. of Boston. This share retirement reduced the company's currently outstanding shares by 15 percent. During the period, Mr. Spear added 179,500 shares to his holdings by exercising options on 169,500 shares and by purchasing an additional 10,000 shares in the market.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Celerex Corp. and founder Thomas Kegley have been named winner of ''Credit Card Management's'' Innovator of the Year annual credit card award.

''Credit Card Management,'' a monthly publication, is a major magazine serving the credit card industry.

According to John Stewart, editor of ''Credit Card Management'' magazine: ''We seek to recognize breakthroughs, typically in the financial/automation area, which fundamentally change in a positive manner, the way business is done in the credit card industry. Celerex was selected because of its innovative 'Faster Than Cash' electronic payment system.''

The Celerex system is operated by simply passing either a credit card or check through the Celerex reader and entering the purchase amount. In less time than it takes to complete a cash sale, the check or card is verified, the sale processed, a receipt issued, and the transaction stored with no voucher or customer signature required.

The winner of the award, founder Thomas Kegley of Celerex, stated, ''The Celerex system is the result of three years of extensive research and

development. It is now being used in many merchant locations and is gaining rapidly growing widespread consumer acceptance.'' Kegley further added, ''I am very appreciative of the award, but must make it clear that the award should go to all of the Celerex team.''

The Celerex system was developed to offer speed and payment convenience to consumers in the fast food industry. Other applications include retail grocery stores, movie theaters, parking lots, convenience stores and amusement parks.

For more information on the Celerex system, contact Celerex Corp., 1370 Stewart Street, Seattle, Wash., 98109, telephone 206/623-0225, or toll free 800/543-1615.

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    Barry Allen, 206/623-0225

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FRESNO, CA (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The Bank of California is expanding its presence in Fresno with a move to Woodward Centre, 7108 North Fresno Street.

The bank's Fresno Regional Office opened at 1314 East Shaw Avenue eight year's ago with five employees. Today, the office has a staff of 22 headed by Vice President and Regional Manager Gary Reynolds and Real Estate Industries Group Manager Kathy Karst.

''The new location will enhance our ability to serve the growing Fresno marketplace,'' said Reynolds. ''With a 25-percent population increase anticipated in the 90s, this move is vital to our expansion within the community and to our staff growth. Naturally, we hope the larger facility will boost our visibility in the area.''

The Fresno Office will be located in the new four-story Woodward Centre, a Class A building in the Freeway 41 Corridor development complex just north of Herndon Avenue. It will be designated by The Bank of California signage on top of the building and will occupy 13,500 square feet -- more than double its existing space. The full-service office includes an automated teller machine.

The Bank of California is a business and private bank serving small and middle market businesses and providing private banking services to professionals, executives and entrepreneurs. The Fresno office particularly caters to the agriculture and real estate industries.

The sixth largest in the state, The Bank of California was the first incorporated banking institution in the West. The 126-year-old organization has $8.6 billion in assets, 50 offices in California, Washington and Oregon,

and 14 international offices.

CONTACT: The Bank of California, Fresno
Susan Banashek, 415/765-2628

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BOULDER, CO (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - To better serve its growing client base SMARTSCAN Inc. has moved into new corporate headquarters located at 2344 Spruce Street, Boulder, CO 80302.

The firm will gain additional space and a more central location. Corporate offices moved during the third week of September, and all automated data conversion equipment and personnel will follow during the month of October. Phone and FAX numbers will remain the same: Phone, 303/443-7226 and FAX: 303/443-2997.

SMARTSCAN is the leading automated GIS conversion services company providing data conversion services to governmental agencies, natural resource companies and public utilities. SMARTSCAN uses proprietary scanning, artificial intelligence and interactive graphics technology to automate and improve the quality of the digitizing process.

SMARTSCAN President and Chief Executive Officer Mickey Fain, and Chief Operating Officer Bob Ackmann, will both speak at the GIS/LIS Conference in Orange County, Calif. (Nov. 17 to 21, 1990). Fain's speech focuses on automated data conversion technology, while Ackmann will present several project examples that illustrate applications of this technology.

The SMARTSCAN exhibit, located in Booth No. 205, will feature project examples which dramatically illustrate the capabilities of the company's proprietary automated conversion technology.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Anthony Industries Inc. (NYSE:ANT) Wednesday reported lower sales and earnings for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three-month period, income before an extraordinary charge was $2.3 million, or 25 cents per fully diluted share, compared with earnings of $5.0 million, or 52 cents per fully diluted share, in the year-earlier period.

As previously reported, an extraordinary after-tax charge of approximately $1.0 million was recorded during the 1990 period which reduced net income to $1.4 million, or 15 cents per fully diluted share. This charge reflected the write-off of the unamortized original issue discount associated with the approximately $6 million of convertible subordinated debentures recently redeemed by the company.

Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $102.9 million, down slightly from $105.7 million registered in the corresponding 1989 quarter.

For the nine months, Anthony's income before the extraordinary charge was $5.8 million, or 64 cents per fully diluted share, on sales of $295.4 million, compared with $10.4 million, or $1.10 per fully diluted share, on sales of $295.1 million for the year-earlier nine-month period.

Anthony Industries is a diversified manufacturer with operations in two major business segments: recreational products consisting of K2, Pre and Olin skis, Hilton active apparel, Shakespeare fishing tackle, Anthony swimming pools, Poolsaver pool covers and Stearns water safety products; and industrial products including Simplex building materials, Shakespeare fiberglass antennas and light poles and Shakespeare monofilaments.

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DENVER (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Tele-Communications Inc. announced Wednesday that its board of directors has approved a plan to distribute to its shareholders a new company named Liberty Media Corp. consisting of certain of TCI's programming and cable television interests.

This plan will be effected by means of a distribution of transferable exchange rights to TCI shareholders and holders of securities that are exercisable for or convertible into TCI common stock. The rights will entitle the holders thereof to contribute a portion of their shares of TCI Class A and Class B common stock to Liberty in exchange for Class A and Class B common stock of Liberty.

At or about the same time, TCI will contribute certain of its programming and cable television interests to Liberty in exchange for preferred stock of Liberty. The assets that management has identified for contribution to Liberty, subject to the receipt of governmental and third party consents and waivers, include substantially all of the company's programming interests

(other than its investments in Turner Broadcasting System Inc. and The Discovery Channel), the company's interest in certain cable television systems that served approximately 31,500 basic subscribers at June 30, 1990, the company's interest in certain cable television systems owned by equity affiliates of the company that served approximately 583,300 basic subscribers at June 30, 1990, and most of the company's investments accounted for by the cost method in other cable television systems that served approximately 849,200 basic subscribers at June 30, 1990.

In addition one of these investments owns a minority interest in a cable television company that, at such date, served approximately 174,400 basic subscribers. Also, a certain subsidiary of the company has a 50 percent interest in a general partnership which owns an indirect 15 percent interest in a corporation which owns cable television systems serving approximately 1.6 million basic subscribers at June 30, 1990.

Subject to the receipt of necessary third party consents and waivers, the company will contribute the stock of such subsidiary to Liberty.

Offering of Liberty common stock will be made only by means of prospectus/offering circular. Tele-Communications Inc. is traded over-the-counter with Class A common stock and Class B common stock trading separately under symbols TCOMA and TCOMB, respectively. The company's 11-1/8 percent senior subordinated debentures, 7 percent convertible subordinated debentures, and TCI rights are traded in the over-the-counter markets, the latter two under the symbols of TCOMH and TCOMR, respectively.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Litton's Applied Technology division, San Jose, has been awarded a $28.7 million U.S. Navy contract to upgrade 117 computers for Litton-produced AN/ALR-67 airborne countermeasures warning and control systems.

The contract initiates a pre-planned product improvement program that will provide the systems with an enhanced radar warning capability for the Navy's F-14, F/A-18, A-6 and AV-8B aircraft.

A follow-on award to upgrade an additional 113 ALR-67 computers is also expected. The product improvement program has the potential to include more than 2,000 system computers.

The new program will modify the computers to provide identification of threats

projected for the 1990s and will extend the useful life of the ALR-67 system.

Charles Anderson, director of Navy programs for Litton's Applied Technology division, said, ''The program will significantly improve the detection of electronic signals from hostile sources, as well as the accuracy of the direction of arrival of those signals, and the system's signal processing capability.''

The ALR-67 system has been in production for several years for use by the U.S. Navy, Canada, Spain and Australia. It detects, analyzes, identifies and displays radar signals associated with hostile weapon systems, providing an alert to aircrews so they can take evasive action and employ countermeasures to foil an enemy attack.

The system also is linked to onboard fire control radars, radar jammers, missile detection systems and anti-radiation weapons, and can control the firing of chaff, flares and other decoys.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - UtiliCorp United (NYSE:UCU) has filed a shelf registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission to implement a $250-million medium-term note program.

The company is awaiting approval from various federal and state regulatory authorities before commencement of the program.

Net proceeds of the transaction will be used to reduce short-term debt incurred primarily as a result of capital and acquisition-related expenditures.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides gas and electric service to 820,000 customers in eight states and in British Columbia.

Its divisions are Missouri Public Service, Peoples Natural Gas, Michigan Gas Utilities, West Virginia Power, Northern Minnesota Utilities, and Kansas Public Service. West Kootenay Power is a Canadian subsidiary. PSI and UtilCo Group are non-regulated subsidiaries.

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COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Brown Disc Products Co. Inc. announced that it has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission its annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 1990, showing an increase in sales of $848,788 over the previous year ended June 30, 1989.

This represents an increase of 23.6 percent due to increased market penetration; however, there was significant decrease in the average selling price of all magnetic media duruing the year compared to the previous 12 months.

Total operating costs and expenses increased $1,695,884 over the previous year. Other expenses rose $83,542 due to increased borrowing. Increased production costs were incurred with the introduction of an expanded production process and the acquisition of additional used manufacturing equipment.

Defects in the equipment resulted in a high level of scrap product after initially failing to meet quality assurance standards during the third quarter of fiscal year 1990. The defects have been remedied.

Additionally, a rain and ice storm in March damaged the company's manufacturing facilities, forcing a production line shutdown for several weeks before becoming fully operational again. The company also incurred significant and unexpected shipping charges as it was forced to send and receive product and materials via air freight to avoid supply interruptions to customers.

Profit from operations decreased from $42,899 in fiscal year 1989, to a loss of $821,561 in fiscal year 1990. This loss was due to the cost increases noted above, as well as to declining sales prices. The company regained profitability in July 1990 and management expects this trend to continue.

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PALO ALTO, CA (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Watkins-Johnson Co. (NYSE:WJ) announced Wednesday that it has been awarded a contract valued at more than $10.5 million by Raytheon Co., Lowell, Mass.

Under the contract, W-J will supply radio-frequency and data-link processors for Lot IV of the AIM-120 Advanced Medium-Range Air-to-Air Missile (AMRAAM).

Watkins-Johnson Co. is a diversified corporation, specializing in defense-electronics manufacturing, commercial-equipment production and environmental-consulting services, with annual sales of approximately $300 million.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Diagnostic Products Corp. (NYSE:DP) Wednesday announced its intention to purchase from time to time in open market transactions up to 500,000 shares of its common stock, representing approximately 4.2 percent of the outstanding shares, at prices from time to time deemed appropriate.

The book value per share of the common stock as of Sept. 30, 1990, was $6.92. Management believes that at current market prices the acquisition of such shares constitutes an attractive investment opportunity for the company. The company may discontinue such purchases at any time, with or without any purchases being made.

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DALLAS (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - MicroProbe Corp. Wednesday previewed its DenTest Periodontal Pathogen Detection System at the 76th annual meeting of the American Academy of Periodontology.

Based on the company's DNA probe technology, the in-office system will enable one to directly identify bacteria associated with periodontal disease within 30 minutes, as an aid to diagnosis and for monitoring treatment.

The test system is scheduled to be sold for research use in 1991 and, upon market clearance by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, will be available for use by periodontists.

The DenTest system consists of a small and easy-to-use instrument, dipsticks coated with DNA probes, a sample-collection device and reagents. Each dipstick employs Microprobe's Patient Analysis Card (PAC) format, which will allow for simple, fast and accurate analysis of subgingival plaque samples.

The system's complex chemistry is invisible to the user, who simply loads the

sample and reagents into the system, activates the instrument, and returns at the end of 30 minutes to read the test results before the patient leaves the office.

Unlike enzyme assay tests, which do not determine bacterial types, the DenTest system detects directly -- in a single bacterial plaque sample -- one or more of the following: Porphyromonas gingivalis, Bacteroides forsythus and Wolinella recta. The presence of each species is confirmed on a single dipstick by visual detection of a blue-colored bead. MicroProbe's DNA probes do not employ radioactive isotopes.

DNA probe technology is a well-established technique that is increasingly used in clinical settings. MicroProbe's technology takes advantage of the natural inclination of the two strands of complementary DNA to bind together. Its DNA probes are comprised of synthetic segments of nucliotides (oligonucleotides) designed to bind, or ''hybridize,'' to a single strand of target DNA unique to a specific organism. Synthetic DNA probes are ideal diagnostic reagents because of their high-hybridization specificity, precisely known sequence and chemical structure.

MicroProbe Corp. is a biomedical company established to commercialize automated diagnostic systems based on proprietary DNA-probe technology, for the rapid, accurate and cost-effective identification of infectious-disease microorganisms.

Founded in 1986, the privately held company is applying recent advances in molecular biology and synthetic chemistry to diagnostic products that offer significant advantages over traditional methods relying on cell culture, antibodies or enzymes.

Located in Bothell, Wash., the company also develops reagent kits for the extraction and purification of nucleic acids from complex specimens.

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Versaggi & Associates, Los Gatos
Charles Versaggi, 408/358-4162

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Silicon General Inc. (NASDAQ:SILN) a leading producer of Semiconductors and Telecommunications Systems, Wednesday reported results of operations for the first quarter of its fiscal 1991, which ended on Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the first quarter were $14.3 million, compared to $14.2 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Net earnings were $218,000, or 2 cents

per share, compared to $437,000, or 3 cents per share in the first quarter of this fiscal year.

''Demand for Telecom products remains strong, and several important new products are under evaluation, with several more about to be introduced, said Dan Rasdal, chairman and chief executive officer. ''Testing of the company's new Integrated Digital Services Terminal (IDST) by two large customers continues, and is going well.

Design work on several new Synchronization products for Telephone Companies is on schedule. These additional new products should be ready for customer evaluation during the second quarter of fiscal 1991.''

''Silicon General's Semiconductor business received significant follow-on contracts continuing work on programs from last year. In addition, a number of new business opportunities were identified which should lead to additional orders and shipments in the months and years ahead.

''Technical work to install advanced processes will lead to more new products later this year, including the company's first BiCMOS integrated circuits.''

''Financial condition remains strong due to tight control of spending and close attention to collections.''

Silicon General designs, manufactures and markets telecommunications system, data conversion products, linear bipolar integrated circuits and CMOS digital integrated circuits.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of TRW Inc. Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend of 45 cents per share on the company's outstanding common stock.

The new quarterly dividend represents an increase of 2 cents per share or 5 percent over the previous quarterly dividend. It is the 209th consecutive dividend declared on the company's common shares.

The last dividend increase occurred Oct. 26, 1988.

The directors also declared regular quarterly dividends of $1.10 per share on the Serial Preference Stock II (Series 1) and $1.125 per share on the Serial Preference Stock II (Series 3).

The dividends are payable on Dec. 15, to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 9.

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Go-Video (AMEX:VCR), the Arizona-based company that introduced the world's first dual-deck video cassette recorder, will be featured on ABC Television's 20/20 on Oct. 26.

The program, billed as ABC's ''news magazine,'' will highlight the company's efforts to bring to market the VCR-2, an innovative consumer electronics product.

The 10-minute segment on Go-Video is scheduled to air during the program on Friday, according to ABC program executives. The show airs at 9 p.m. MST.

A 20/20 production crew interviewed and filmed at Go-Video's headquarters in Scottsdale, Ariz., this past summer. The segment will air subject to network discretion.

Go-Video introduced its VCR-2 to consumers this summer. One of Popular Science magazine's 100 best new products of the year, the VCR-2 can play one tape while recording on another, duplicate tapes with incredible quality, edit from tape to tape, and record two different TV programs simultaneously. Other features include the exclusive HQ Copy circuitry, a 155-channel cable-ready tuner, multi-channel sound, an advanced remote control and on-screen programming.

For more information, contact Missy Lagomarsino at 602/998-3154.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Price Stern Sloan Inc. (NASDAQ:PSSP) Wednesday reported net income of $76,000, or 2 cents per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $9,101,000, or $2.41 per share, for the same period in 1989.

Sales for the first three quarters in 1990 were $27,062,000 compared with

$31,938,000 a year ago.

For the third quarter, PSS registered net income of $992,000, or 26 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $8,077,000, or $2.14 per share, in the third quarter of 1989. Sales for the third quarter were $10,934,000 compared with $14,004,000 for the corresponding prior year period.

The company attributes the sales reduction to the general slowdown of the economy and the loss of momentum with certain large accounts during the period the company was for sale.

The company reported that it has entered into purchase agreements and opened escrows for the sale of real estate in New York and its corporate headquarters in Los Angeles. These escrows are expected to close in November and December, respectively. All of the net proceeds of approximately $6,750,000 will be used to reduce debt.

Price Stern Sloan publishes and distributes children's books and related audio and video cassettes, cookbooks, humor and self-help books, calendars, puzzles and poster art, as well as the Questron electronic wand and books.

PRICE STERN SLOAN INC.
CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENTS

	Third Quarter Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$10,934,000	$14,004,000	$27,062,000	$31,938,000
Income (loss) before taxes (benefit)	992,000	(7,935,000)	81,000	(9,681,000)
Income Taxes (benefit)	0	142,000	5,000	(580,000)
Net income (loss)	992,000	(8,077,000)	76,000	(9,101,000)
Earnings (loss) per common share	26 cents	$ (2.14)	2 cents	$ (2.41)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	3,850,000	3,772,000	3,832,000	3,771,000

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HOUSTON (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Panhandle Eastern Corp. Wednesday reported a net loss of $13.5 million, or $0.15 a share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with third quarter 1989 net income of $0.3 million, or $0.01 per share.

The 1990 results include a benefit of $21.6 million after taxes, or $0.24 per

share, from the settlement of a 1985 Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Co. (PEPL) general rate case.

A significant decrease in pipeline sales volumes, primarily for Texas Eastern Transmission Corp. (TETCO) and Trunkline Gas Co., also occurred this quarter. While market-area transportation service increased during the quarter, these increases did not offset the lower sales volumes. On a consolidated basis, the company's interstate gas transmission units had a 2 percent decrease in their market-area natural gas deliveries, compared to the same period last year.

The company's performance for the third quarter reflects increased competition and a changing mix of throughput on its pipelines. In the case of TETCO, this situation was the result of a number of factors, including the expiration of a low-cost gas purchase contract with a producer in late 1989 and the impact of arrangements that permit customers to transport third-party gas in lieu of purchasing system supply.

Net income for the first nine months was $33.2 million, or $0.37 a share. These figures compare with $28.3 million, or $0.42 per share, for the same period in 1989. The results for the first nine months of 1989 included Texas Eastern Corp.'s activity since its acquisition on April 27, 1989.

The average number of common stock shares outstanding rose to 88.5 million shares from 66.9 million shares, an increase of 32 percent over the first nine months of 1989. The primary cause of this increase was the shares issued in last year's acquisition of Texas Eastern.

Panhandle Eastern Corp. operates one of the nation's largest interstate natural gas pipeline systems, providing natural gas to the Midwest and Northeast markets.

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SANTA MONICA, CALIF. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - National Medical Enterprises Inc. (NYSE/PSE/London:NME) Wednesday announced that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on the company's common stock.

The 20-cent cash dividend will be paid on Dec. 7 to shareholders of record on Nov. 16.

National Medical Enterprises, one of the nation's largest health care services companies, owns, operates and manages acute, psychiatric and physical

rehabilitative hospitals, and substance abuse treatment centers throughout the United States and internationally.

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PLAINFIELD, IND. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of PSI Resources Inc. (NYSE:PIN), the holding company for PSI Energy Inc., Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend of 22 cents per share of common stock -- a 2 cents per share increase over last quarter.

Regular preferred stock dividends for PSI Energy were also approved.

The dividends will be paid Dec. 1 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 13.

''This is the first increase in our dividend since it was reinstated nearly two years ago,'' said J. Wayne Leonard, the company's chief financial officer. ''Before that, our dividend had been suspended for three years after the cancellation of our Marble Hill nuclear plant. Even with this increase, our payout ratio remains one of the lowest among U.S. electric companies.''

PSI Resources' capital expenditures over the next 10 years are expected to exceed $4 billion.

''To be in a position to attract the capital to serve our customers' needs and meet environmental requirements, it's important that we remain competitive with alternative investments,'' Leonard said. ''We continue to believe, however, that until key financial targets are met, a substantial share of earnings should continue to be reinvested in the business. A financially sound company can better serve the interests of both its customers and shareholders.''

The payout ratio is the percentage of earnings distributed to shareholders in the form of dividends.

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317/872-5551 (after 6 p.m.)
Investors - Leigh Pefley, 317/838-1157

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MILPITAS, CALIF. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - LSI Logic Corp. (NYSE:LSI)

Wednesday announced that it had concluded a licensing agreement with Sun Microsystems Inc. permitting LSI to sell worldwide the ASIC devices developed for the original SPARCstation 1 workstation.

The original ASIC chipset -- augmented by LSI Logic's L64801 integer unit, and an optional L64804 floating-point unit will be packaged with the ASICs and sold as the SparKIT-20 chipset.

In March 1990, LSI Logic introduced the SparKIT-25 (25 MHz, 18 MIPS) and SparKIT-40 (40 MHz, 29 MIPS) chipsets that would enable systems manufacturers to develop SPARC-compatible/a workstations.

The SparKIT-25 and SparKIT-40 families each consists of seven integrated circuits which can be used for workstations and SPARC-based servers to provide the data storage and computational needs of workstation networks. The new SparKIT-20 chipset runs at 20 MHz and provides 12.5 MIPs performance.

The SparKIT-20 consists of the L64821 memory management unit (MMU), the L64822 data buffer, the L64824 cache controller, the L64826 RAM controller (two are required), the L64825 video controller, the L64823 clock, L64853 DMA Controller, and the L64801 integer unit. The L64804 floating-point unit, developed by LSI Logic, is optional.

Gene Hill, vice president and general manager of the company's SPARC Division, said: ''This new product option provides a proven, SPARCstation 1-compatible solution for customers. It is available now in high volume, and is ideal for low-end, low-cost systems.''

In a simultaneous announcement, LSI Logic announced that 11 customers are designing products based on SparKIT chipsets. Production quantities of the SparKIT-20 are availble now and the SparKIT-25 will be available in quantity at the end of the fourth quarter.

The high-performance SparKIT-40, intended for use in compute-intensive engineering/scientific workstation applications, will be available in quantity by the first half of 1991.

LSI Logic Corp. is a leading supplier of high-performance semiconductors. The company is the world's premier manufacturer and marketer of HCMOS application-specific integrated circuits (ASICs) in gate array and cell-based technologies, with approximately 10,000 designs completed worldwide.

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Power Spectra Inc., (NASDAQ:PWSP) announced net profit for the third quarter ending Sept. 28, 1990 was $51,000 on revenues of $1.2 million.

For the nine months ended Sept. 28, 1990 a loss of $233,000 was incurred on revenues of $3.5 million.

Cash balances rose $269,000 to $1 million during the third quarter.

A search is being conducted for a chief executive officer to replace Donald C. Wright who resigned in September 1990. George W. O'Dair, who had been retained by the board in a consulting capacity earlier this year, is acting as general manager during this transition.

O'Dair has held senior management positions with several large companies, the most recent of which was executive vice president and chief financial officer of Varian Associates, a Palo Alto, Calif. electronics firm.

As reported earlier this year, several funding alternatives have been under discussion with the Boeing Company.

The company expects to reach agreement in the next several months on funding requirements for fixed capital and operating capital needs associated with the current development contract which concludes June 30, 1991.

It also expects to commence discussions soon with Boeing for a follow on development contract to become effective July 1, 1991 when the current contract concludes. They have targeted completion of these negotiations several months before expiration of the current contract.

In the meantime, Power Spectra employees continue to focus on achieving objectives on the Boeing contract as well as the $3.8 million development contract with the Air Force that was received earlier this year.

The 1990 shareholders meeting will be held on Nov. 8, 1990 at 9:00 a.m. at the Newark Fremont Hilton, 39900 Balentine Dr., Newark, CA 94560.

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Sandra Chroman, 415/490-6961

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SAN MARCOS, CALIF. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Amistar Corp. (OTC:AMTA) announced that the company Wednesday bought back 55,000 shares of its common stock.

The purchase price was $1 per share. The company intends to retire the purchased shares. The company has bought back a total of 255,000 shares of its common stock in 1990. This purchase reduces the shares currently outstanding to 3,132,500.

CONTACT: Amistar Corp., San Marcos
William W. Holl, 619/471-1700

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PLAINFIELD, IND. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - PSI Resources' board of directors Wednesday adopted a 10-point Environmental Charter formally recognizing the company's obligation to do business in an environmentally responsible manner.

''We believe that we're the first U.S. electric utility to have an Environmental Charter endorsed at the highest level of its organization -- the board,'' Rogers said. ''Our charter says to our employees, customers and those we do business with that being a good environmental steward is a top priority in everything we do.''

To develop its charter, PSI Resources formed an environmental advisory council. Participants included Indiana leaders from state government, business, labor and the environmental movement.

''Their insight and guidance was a tremendous help in developing the charter '' Rogers noted. ''It formally recognizes several practices we already do and accurately reflects our corporate attitude on environmental issues. The advisory council's input will also be evident in our one-, three- and five-year environmental stewardship plans, now being finalized.''

Among other things, the charter pledges that PSI Resources and its subsidiaries will incorporate environmental considerations in business planning and make environmental responsibility and innovation a guideline for measuring employee performance. The charter also says that these companies will pursue methods to prevent pollution and conserve raw materials through recycling and promoting the efficient use of energy.

Anyone interested in receiving a copy of the company's Environmental Charter may request one by writing to: Environmental Charter, PSI Resources, 1000 E. Main St., Plainfield, Ind. 46168

CONTACT: PSI Energy, Plainfield
Rob Norris, 317/838-1181 or 317/872-5551 after 6 p.m.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Zero Corp. (NYSE/PSE: ZRO) Wednesday reported that its board of directors maintained its quarterly dividend rate of ten cents per share.

The dividend is payable Dec. 4 to stockholders of record Nov. 9. This dividend payment is made pursuant to Zero's quarterly dividend payment policy.

Zero is a leading supplier of cases, cabinets and cooling equipment supplied primarily to the electronics industry and of cargo enclosures for airborne cargo and baggage. Its consumer, industrial and commercial cases are marketed under the Zero Halliburton and Anvil names.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Downey Savings and Loan Association's (NYSE:DSL) board of directors Wednesday declared a 7 cents per share cash dividend payable on Nov. 26, 1990, to holders of record Nov. 5, 1990.

G.H. McQuarrie, chief executive officer of Downey Savings, in making the announcement reported that net earnings for the third quarter of 1990 amounted to $5.3 million, or 33 cents per share, as compared with a loss of $3,711,000, or 23 cents per share, for the same quarter in 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net earnings were $28,748,000, or $1.78 per share, up 25 percent from the $23,064,000, or $1.43 per share, recorded for the same period last year.

Turning to the announced results, McQuarrie said: ''Considering the unstable economic environment that we have had to operate in, we have continued to make noteworthy increases in operational income. Compared to the same quarter last year, net interest income before loan loss provisions increased 87 percent. For the first nine months of 1990, the comparable gain was 77 percent over 1989.''

McQuarrie attributed this positive indicator to a decline in cost of funds and an increase in loan and investment yields. McQuarrie pointed out that Downey's return on equity for 1990's first nine months was, on an annualized basis, over 17 percent and reflects the strong earnings potential of the company.

Loan volume for the current quarter was $100.4 million and $401.7 million for the first nine months compared with 1989 recordings of $97.5 million and $237.9 million, respectively. Currently, Downey's lending focus is on the production of adjustable-rate loans.

Downey Savings, with assets of $4 billion, has 49 offices throughout California.

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DENVER (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - United Banks of Colorado Inc. (NASDAQ:UBKS) Wednesday declared the regularly scheduled dividend of 7.55 percent ($.9438 per share) on its preferred stock for the quarter ended Nov. 30.

The dividend is payable Dec. 1 to shareholders of record Nov. 13.

United Banks again suspended payment of the dividend on its common stock, which would have been payable on Dec. 1. The common stock dividend payable on Sept. 1 also was suspended.

United Banks of Colorado Inc., with assets of $6.1 billion, serves more than 500,000 customers across the state through its 40 banks and other affiliates engaged in data processing, finance, insurance, mortgage banking, trust and securities brokerage.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Business Bancorp, holding company of California Bank, N.A., announced net income of $106,000, (10 cents/share), for the third quarter of 1990 which ended on Sept. 30, 1990.

These results compare with net income of $221,000, (22 cents/share) for the third quarter of 1989. Average shares outstanding for the quarters ending Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 were 1,089,842 and 1 million respectively.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Business Bancorp reported net income of $395,000, (36 cents/share) as compared with $582,000 (58 cents/share), for the like period in 1989, a decrease of $187,000, (17 cents/share). The decrease in net income is attributed to income taxes which increased from $1,200 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, to $228,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Average shares outstanding for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 were 1,089,842 and 1 million respectively.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $59,749,000 as compared with $56,887,000 at Sept. 30, 1989. Total deposits were $53,712,000 as compared with $51,111,000 and net loans outstanding were $41,865,000 as compared with $34,025,000. Total shares outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 were 1,089,242 and 1 million respectively.

Business Bancorp is a bank holding company founded in 1982. California Business Bank, N.A., is a federally chartered commercial bank with one office in the downtown area of San Jose. The bank serves the needs of businesses and professionals in Santa Clara County.

Business Bancorp had approximately 650 shareholders at Dec. 31, 1989. The common stock of Business Bancorp is traded over-the-counter and listed on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System (''NASDAQ''). For additional information contact Richard Conniff, president and chief executive officer.

CONTACT: Business Bancorp, San Jose
Richard Conniff, 408/298-8866

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MONETT, MO. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Jack Henry & Associates Inc. (NASDAQ:JKHY) announced Wednesday that its board of directors, at the annual meeting of the board on Oct. 23, 1990, declared a quarterly cash dividend of 8 cents per share on its common stock, par value 1 cent per share, payable on Dec. 6, 1990, to stockholders of record of its common stock as of Nov. 6, 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, 3,528,553 shares of company common stock were outstanding.

The company also announced the hiring of two new employees. Terry W. Thompson joins the company as vice president - chief financial officer and William W. Caraway is the new director of international operations.

Thompson, a certified public accountant, has over 17 years of experience in the areas of accounting and finance. His career includes the public accounting sector and the private sector in both publicly held and privately held companies.

Most recently, he was controller with Penske Tank Inc. for three years. Previously, Thompson was with Iron Mountain Forge as vice president - finance for 2-1/2 years and was controller for Paul Mueller company, a publicly held company, for five years.

Caraway joins the company with over 19 years of experience in a variety of data processing positions. He comes to Jack Henry from Mellon Bank where he

served as vice president for two years. Prior to that he was with Florida Software in its computer operations for 2-1/2 years and with Home Savings and Loan for three years as manager of data processing.

Jack Henry & Associates markets, installs and supports integrated data processing software systems for banks and financial institutions. The company's software systems have been installed at approximately 600 banks throughout the United States.

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Terry W. Thompson, 417/235-6652

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DAYTON, OH (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - DPL Inc. Wednesday reported third-quarter earnings of 55 cents per share, an increase over the 45 cents per share earned in the like period last year.

Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $1.77 per share, as compared with $1.78 per share in 1989.

These economic conditions and hot weather also resulted in a new all-time record peak electricity usage by our customers of 2,643,000 kilowatts on Sept. 6. The previous record was 2,604,000 kilowatts set on July 9.

Earnings per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were just slightly lower than the like period a year ago despite milder weather, a lower level of sales to other utilities and an increase in the number of common shares outstanding.

DPL INC.
Financial Data
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept.	
	1990	1989
Earnings per share of common stock (1)	55 cents	45 cents
Operating revenues (000)	$213,412	$202,065
Net income (000)	$ 37,787	$ 28,556
Average number of common shares outstanding (000) (1)	68,679	62,563

	Nine Months Ended Sept.	
	1990	1989
Earnings per share of common stock (1)	$ 1.77	$ 1.78
Operating revenues (000)	$695,792	$691,437
Net income (000)	$121,457	$111,240

Average number of common shares outstanding (000) (1)	68,477	62,357

	Twelve Months Ended Sept. 1990	1989
Earnings per share of common stock (1)	$ 2.18	$ 2.07
Operating revenues (000)	$964,818	$954,454
Net income (000)	$146,571	$128,962
Average number of common shares outstanding (000) (1)	67,193	62,289

(1) Per share amounts and average shares outstanding reflect the three-for-two common stock split paid May 4.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - ARIX Corp. (NASDAQ:ARIX) Wednesday announced results for its first quarter of fiscal 1991.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $9,601,000, compared with $18,304,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. The $9,601,000 in revenues is comprised of net sales of $6,661,000 and license fees and other income of $2,940,000. The company posted a net loss of $1,645,000, or (21 cents) per share, compared with first quarter fiscal 1990 net income of $43,000, or 1 cent per share.

The company attributes the loss principally to substantially reduced sales to its largest customer, Unisys Corp., which had previously announced it would reduce its orders for calendar 1990.

ARIX Corp., through ARIX Computer Corp. and its subsidiaries, manufactures and markets UNIX-based symmetric multi-processing minicomputers for applications in multi-user environments.

ARIX computers are marketed worldwide indirectly through VARs, OEMs, systems integrators and distributors and directly to select large customers. The company has an installed base of over 6,000 systems.

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Carter McCorkle, 408/922-8201

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CUPERTINO, CA (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The Motorola Computer Group (MCG) Wednesday announced plans to provide wireless local area network (LAN) capability for the company's complete line of complex and reduced instruction set computers (CISC and RISC) by the first quarter of 1991.

The wireless LANs will be faster (15 megabits per second) than many standard wired LANs.

MCG's announcement follows one made Tuesday by Motorola's Radio Telephone Systems Group (RTSG), which outlined the corporation's plans to market this technology commercially by the first quarter of 1991.

While specifications of the new radio frequency (RF) LAN technology were not disclosed, Motorola executives confirmed that the product will enable users to connect desktop PCs, workstations and X terminals without cables, while providing comparable high-speed performance and higher security than is available on many wired LANs.

Wireless LANs, or radio frequency LANs, transmit data between computer systems via radio signals rather than special, static cables. Cabling can be very expensive to install and is inflexible if the physical locations of the networked systems have to be changed. Because of this, wireless LANs are particulary well-suited to sites where cabling does not currently exist or computers are frequently moved.

Motorola is one of the world's leading providers of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets. Products include two-way radios, pages, cellular telephone systems, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronic equipment, computers, data communications and information processing and handling equipment.

Motorola was a winner of the first annual Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award in 1988, in recognition of its superior company-wide quality management process.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - PS Group Inc. (NYSE:PSG) reported a net loss of $1,698,000 (31 cents per share) for the third quarter of 1990 and net income of $1,698,000 (30 cents per share) for the first nine months of 1990 versus net income of $4,807,000 (73 cents per share) for 1989's third quarter and $7,748,000 ($1.16 per share) for 1989's first nine months.

Losses from the company's waste recycling subsidiary, Recontek Inc., increased significantly in the third quarter of 1990 with the hiring and training of personnel in anticipation of the opening in early November of its Illinois processing plant. Recontek's financial results were consolidated with those of PS Group effective Oct. 1, 1989.

Third-quarter 1990 results also include a one-time additional income tax expense of $1.2 million (22 cents per share) as a result of a statutory reduction in Investment Tax Credits after 1989 tax losses were carried back to prior tax years. Included in 1990 totals are the results of oil and gas operations that in 1989 were treated as discontinued and therefore had no impact on 1989 results.

Third-quarter 1990 results for fuel distribution and oil production were favorably impacted by higher petroleum prices. However, these gains were offset by weaker demand for travel distribution.

Results for the first nine months of 1990 include a one-time net gain of $1.2 million (21 cents per share) from the sale of the wholesale tour business of USTravel Systems Inc., the travel distribution subsidiary of PS Group.

Results for the third quarter and first nine months of 1989 were favorably impacted by a net gain of $3.8 million (57 cents per share) and $4.9 million (73 cents per share), respectively, from gains on sales of marketable securities.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Los Angeles-based direct marketing firm Club America Inc. (OTC), announced Wednesday one of the lowest residential and commerical telephone rates in the country at its first day-long telephone training seminar convened at its South Bay Conference Center in Torrance, Calif.

Key elements in the Club America Communication Network's telephone program included: no up-front hookup cost, six second billing (saves clients 5-7 percent per call), calls from any location in the world, discounts from 15-20 percent or more per call, instant credit on misdialed calls, 800 service (no

set up fee), calls billed only when receiving party answers (voice activation) free independent phony analysis for monthly billings in excess of $10,000 and complete fiber optics network using the nation's three largest telephone systems.

Club America Independent representatives also learned they will receive 5 percent of the gross monthly telephone bills of their clients' 800 number, credit card and domestic/international long distance calling.

A special, additional benefit for non-profit organizations was also announced at Wednesday's landmark Torrance meeting. Starting immediately, charities and other non-profits hooking up on the Club America Communications Network will find themselves exempt from the 3 percent federal tax on long distance calls.

Further representative telephone training programs will be convened over the next several weeks at other Club America Conference Centers located in San Diego, Pasadena, Los Angeles, Woodland Hills, San Francisco area (Novato), Sacramento, Carmel, Irvine, Riverside and San Bernardino, Calif.; Phoenix; Dallas; Denver; Seattle; and Portland, Ore.

Club America Inc., founded in 1985, is a direct marketing organization that provides Americans with substantial savings on numerous services and products. The company also offers a unique business opportunity. Club America's Communication Network is one of the many consumer-oriented services currently available through the Club America Program.

CONTACT: Club America Inc., Los Angeles
John T. Carr, 213/278-0784

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Cash America Investments Inc. (NYSE) announced Wednesday a quarterly cash dividend.

Daniel R. Feehan, president and chief operating officer, announced today that at the quarterly board meeting held today a cash dividend of $.01-1/3 per share was declared Oct. 24, 1990, payable on Nov. 21, 1990, to shareholders of record as of the close of business Nov. 7, 1990.

Feehan stated, ''This is in keeping with the company's dividend policy of paying quarterly cash dividends and represents the company's seventh consecutive quarterly cash dividend since the policy was begun in April of last year.''

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Eugene M. Estep or Daniel R. Feehan, 817/335-1100

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BOSTON (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Original Italian Pasta Products Inc. (OTC:ORIG), Chelsea, manufacturer of fresh pasta and sauces sold under the Trio's tradename, and Schreiber Foods Inc. of Green Bay, Wis., Wednesday announced that they had reached agreement in principle for Schreiber to acquire Original Italian for $2.40 share (fully diluted).

The proposed acquisition will be effected by a merger of Original Italian with a wholly owned subsidiary of Schreiber to be formed for that purpose.

The transaction is subject to successful completion of due diligence by Schreiber, negotiation and execution of definitive agreements, and final approval by the respective boards of directors of Schreiber and Original Italian and by the stockholders of Original Italian.

The parties expect to enter definitive agreements by early December, and Original Italian will hold a meeting of stockholders for approval of the transaction as soon thereafter as possible. The parties anticipate completing the transaction within 120 days.

Further announcements will be made as the transaction progresses.

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Paul Stevens, 617/884-5211

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Argonaut Group Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:AGII) announced Wednesday that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 40 cents per common share, an annual rate of $1.60 per share.

This dividend will be payable Nov. 20 to shareholders of record Nov. 5.

Argonaut Group Inc. is a holding company whose subsidiaries are engaged primarily in the selling, underwriting, and servicing of workers compensation and other lines of property-casualty insurance.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America said Wednesday it appreciates the support of the AFL-CIO as

expressed in the following statement from Robert McGlotten, director of legislation of the AFL-CIO, regarding the Oct. 23 Senate vote on the Packwood Amendment to the Interior Appropriations bill which would have considered convening the Endangered Species Committee:

''Although the AFL-CIO is disappointed in the outcome of the vote on the Packwood amendment, organized labor sees this as an important step in the fight for the jobs of our brothers and sisters in the timber industry. We are hearing from union members all over the country who are concerned about the jobs of timber workers and their families.

''At a time of national economic distress, it would be a tragic mistake to enact a policy which, at a minimum, throws 50,000 men and women out of work, undermines the economic foundation of hundreds of Pacific Northwest communities and threatens the stability of the national housing market. The AFL-CIO will work with its affiliates to continue sensitizing the Congress to the economic and social devastation that will result if a fair and equitable balance between environmental needs and the interests of workers is not achieved.''

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202/466-7590

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SUNNYVALE, Calif. (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - ZyMOS Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ZMOS) reported Wednesday, revenues of $13,081,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, a new high for the company and an increase of 30 percent over revenues of $10,055,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $144,000 compared with a loss of $500,000 for the like period of 1989. The results for the third quarter of 1990 included the operations for August and September of Renaissance GRX which was acquired on July 30, 1990.

Revenues for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $37,155,000, up 41 percent from the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $425,000 compared with a loss of $636,000 for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Commenting on the quarterly results, ZyMOS President and Chief Executive Officer David A. Handorf said: ''In the third quarter we saw continued improvements in revenues and profits. The acquisition of Renaissance GRX was a key activity in the quarter and we are pleased that the integration of the two companies has gone smoothly and already contributed to our improved operating results in the third quarter.

''The combined graphics expertise resulting form the acquisition will improve our overall performance in the graphics marketplace especially in 1991 when new product development efforts yield product shipments.''

CONTACT: ZyMOS Corp., Sunnyvale Stephen Vonderach, 408/730-8800

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REDWOOD SHORES, Calif. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Oracle Corporation Wednesday announced support for the Multi-Client Server (MCS) option for Version 6.0 of the ORACLE relational database management system (RDBMS).

Initially available on UNIX systems, this software option provides enhanced support for on-line transaction processing (OLTP) applications with very large user configurations of 250 or more users -- while maintaining the same high level of transaction processing performance.

The MCS option modifies ORACLE's client/server architecture to allow multiple client processes to attach to one or more server processes. This MCS architecture substitutes ORACLE's current architecture in which there is a one-to-one correlation between each client process and server process. As a result, the MCS option reduces process switching overhead and ensures that ORACLE-based systems maintain high throughput as customers add users. This, in turn, allows the ORACLE kernel to support much larger user configurations.

''For example, we have found that with MCS on Sun Microsystems computers, we can sustain high-transaction performance for three times the number of users on the system as before,'' said Jim Sha, vice president of Oracle's UNIX Products Division. ''We believe this new technology will support even larger configurations in the future.''

Exploiting Symmetric Multi-Processor Functionality

The Multi-Client Server option allows customers to operate in a multi-threaded environment, in which any particular server process can handle multiple client process requests, while fully exploiting the power of symmetric multi-processor (SMP) architectures. With the MCS option, ORACLE can maintain for much larger system configurations the same industry-leading performance on SMP computers recorded in recent audited benchmarks by Codd and Date, Inc. Codd and Date has benchmarked ORACLE's performance at:

42 transactions per second for PCs 208 transactions per second for minicomputers 416 transactions per second for mainframes

Support for Transaction Processing Monitors

The MCS option also supports Oracle's integration with UNIX transaction

processing monitors, such as AT&T's System/T and Independence Technologies, Inc.'s/iTi. Transaction processing monitor software coordinates transactions between client processes and a variety of system resources such as databases, printing and expert systems. Because transaction monitors view several networked computers as a system, these products are particularly valuable in distributed OLTP environments. The MCS option will also support X/Open's XA standard for distributed transaction management within the next 12 months.

Oracle Corporation, headquartered in Redwood Shores, Calif., is the largest supplier of DBMS software and the third largest software and services company in the world.

Oracle develops and markets an integrated line of software products for database management, applications development, decision support and office automation, as well as families of financial and manufacturing applications packages. All Oracle products are available on PCs, minicomputers and mainframes, and ORACLE is the first and only database to run on supercomputers.

The company offers its products, along with related consulting, education and support services, in 92 countries around the world. Oracle is a publicly held corporation whose shares are traded on NASDAQ/NMS with ticker symbol ORCL.

For further information about Oracle, call Oracle world headquarters at 800-345-DBMS (345-3267), or write to Oracle Corporation at 500 Oracle Parkway, Redwood Shores, Calif. 94065. -0- NOTE TO EDITORS: ORACLE and SQL Net are registered trademarks of Oracle Corporation. UNIX and System/T are trademarks of AT&T. /iTi is a trademark of Independent Technologies, Inc.

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CULVER CITY, Calif. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - MGM/UA Communications Co. Wednesday announced that its board of directors has accepted the solvency opinion of Houlihan, Lokey, Howard & Zukin.

The opinion is to be delivered by Friday, Oct. 26, the scheduled closing date of the Pathe-MGM/UA merger transaction.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Enterprises (NYSE:PET) Wednesday reported net income of $60 million for the third quarter, a 22

percent increase over net income of $49 million for the same quarter a year ago.

Earnings per share of common stock were 79 cents, up 14 percent over earnings of 69 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989. The rise in net income outpaced earnings per share primarily because of an 8 percent increase in the weighted average number of common shares outstanding compared with a year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company realized net income of $174 million, or $2.31 per share, excluding $275 million ($3.94 per share) in after-tax charges to earnings of the company's oil and gas and retailing businesses taken in the second quarter.

Pacific Enterprises reported a net loss for the nine months of $101 million, or $1.63 per share, including the second quarter charges. For the same nine-month period in 1989, the company had net income of $169 million, or $2.49 per share.

Pacific Enterprises, with headquarters in Los Angeles, owns Southern California Gas Co., the nation's largest natural gas distribution utility. Its Los Angeles-based Thrifty Corp. is a drug and sporting goods chain retailer with more than 1,000 stores. Pacific Enterprises Oil Co., with headquarters in Dallas, is a leading independent oil and gas company with operations concentrated onshore in the United States.

Southern California Gas reported operating income after taxes of $59 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $57 million, a year ago.

According to Ukropina, the utility's improved performance was due primarily to a 6.4 percent increase in its rate base, the investment in facilities on which the gas company earns its return. The increase was partially offset by lower earnings from sales and transportation provided to large-volume customers.

Third quarter operating income after taxes for Thrifty totaled $5 million, down from $11 million, for the same period in 1989.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - ALPNET Inc. (NASDAQ:AILP; BSE:APN) Wednesday announced financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Total revenues for the quarter were $6.2 million with a net loss of $187,000,

or $0.017 per share compared with revenues of $5.8 million and net income of $24,000, or $0.003 per share for the third quarter of 1989.

Total revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $17.2 million with a net loss of $492,000, or 5 cents per share compared with revenues of $17.4 million with a net loss of $366,000, or 4 cents per share for the first nine months of 1989.

The $187,000 net loss for the third quarter of 1990 and the $492,000 loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, include $44,000 and $140,000 respectively of unusual interest expense which arises in connection with the terms of the company's acquisition agreements in the U.K. and in Germany.

Pursuant to the terms of these agreements, the company issued additional ALPNET Inc. shares and was required to register these shares with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The agreements also provide that the company will pay interest on the value of the additional shares issued until the shares are registered.

The company filed the registration statement for these shares with the SEC in May 1990 but the registration was not effective until Aug. 10, 1990. The company incurred interest expense during this registration period and accordingly the third quarter and nine month financial statements include an unusual amount of interest expense which is not related to ongoing operations.

ALPNET is a worldwide language services network with 22 offices in 9 countries. ALPNET provides its clients with a complete offering of language services including translation, language training, interpreting, multilingual desk-top publishing and printing services.

ALPNET is publicly traded on the NASDAQ stock exchange under the trading symbol AILP and Boston Stock Exchange under the trading symbol APN.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - REGENCY CRUISES INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol:SHIP) Wednesday released financial results for the company's third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $46,612,000 as compared to $44,127,000 reported for the same three month period last year.

Income from operations was $7,921,000 vs. $5,824,000 recorded during the previous year's third quarter.

Net income for the period was $5,519,000, or $.24 per share, as compared to $4,593,000, or $.20 per share, for the third quarter last year.

In total, the financial performance for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was the highest to date making it the most profitable quarter in the company's history.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $98,311,000 as compared to $98,286,000 reported for the nine month period last year.

The company's income from operations was $3,882,000 vs. $5,883,000 for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for the current nine month period was $3,810,000, or $.16 per share, vs. $5,462,000, or $.23 per share, for the same nine month period last year.

Shareholders' equity per share increased from $1.61 at Sept. 30, 1989, to $1.71 at Sept. 30, 1990.

William Schanz, chairman and chief executive officer of REGENCY CRUISES INC., commented: ''The success of the third quarter was largely attributable to our Alaska program. This was our fifth season in Alaska and, again, we positioned two ships there, the Regent Sea and the Regent Sun, which represented the third largest passenger capacity cruising the 49th state.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - John W. Teets, chairman, president and chief executive officer, Greyhound Dial Corp. (NYSE:G), Wednesday announced revenues, income and earnings per share for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In the third quarter of 1990, revenues were $875,928,000, compared to $906,200,000 in the same period last year.

Net income and income from continuing operations was $31,990,000, or 80 cents per share, compared to $30,185,000, or 75 cents per share, in the 1989 quarter.

The services segment (excluding the sale of a small subsidiary, which netted a one-time after-tax gain of $3.7 million, or 9 cents per share) recorded a 7.5 percent increase in operating income. Travelers Express, the nation's leader

in the issuance of money orders, followed by Dobbs companies and Greyhound Lines of Canada, showed the largest improvements.

The financial group's net income was up 12.3 percent over the 1989 quarter due to higher yielding new business; the effect of the refinancing of certain older, high cost, fixed-rate debt in 1989; slightly lower levels of non-earning assets; and lower legal costs.

A sharp decline in the quarter in revenue and income from the transportation manufacturing and service parts group was due to the one-time effect of a new model start-up problem, causing severe production delays with a major transit bus order. In addition, softness in intercity coach sales due primarily to the uncertainties surrounding the bus line strike and bankruptcy impacted the group.

Revenues for the 1990 nine-month period were $2,653,750,000, compared to $2,673,449,000 recorded in 1989.

Income from continuing operations was $88,040,000, or $2.19 per share, up from the $80,669,000, or $2.05 per share in 1989.

There was a nine-month net loss of $11,960,000, or 32 cents per share, in 1990 compared to a net profit of $80,669,000, or $2.05 per share, in 1989. This was due to the $100,000,000 (after tax), or $2.51 per share, loss provision attributable to a discontinued operation taken in the 1990 second quarter as a result of the Greyhound Bus Lines bankruptcy. Greyhound Dial sold the bus lines in 1987.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Cohu Inc. (ASE:COH) Wednesday reported that sales for the first nine months of 1990 totalled $31,178,000 with net income of $2,064,000, or $1.04 per share.

This compares with year-earlier sales of $26,323,000 with net income of $1,981,000, or $1.00 per share.

Third-quarter sales totalled $11,255,000 with net income of $675,000, or 34 cents per share, compared with year-earlier sales of $9,389,000 with net income of $628,000, or 32 cents per share.

Nine months order input totalled $34,033,000 compared with year-earlier orders of $26,954,000. Backlog at the end of the third quarter was $16,730,000, which compares with year-earlier backlog of $11,641,000 and year-end 1989

backlog of $13,875,000.

James W. Barnes, president and chief executive officer, said that all operations were profitable for the third quarter and for the nine-month period. The test and detection equipment business segment showed significant gains, for the quarter and year-to-date, in sales, income, orders received and backlog, mostly due to improved results relative to semiconductor test/handling equipment.

For the nine-month period, the television equipment business segment showed gains in sales and orders. Increased orders for microwave equipment and television camera equipment fell short of the increased sales in this segment, resulting in a small decrease in the business segment backlog. Earnings for the nine-month period, while lagging the improvement in sales, were slightly higher than those of the prior year.

Quote activity remains high in all of the company's operations. This activity, along with the high backlog level, places the company in a favorable position for improvements in sales and profits.

Cohu directors, at a meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 23, authorized a quarterly cash dividend of 8 cents per share payable Jan. 25, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990. This will be the company's 53rd consecutive cash dividend.

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CARLSBAD, Calif. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - International Totalizator Systems Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ITSI) is now anticipating a loss to be reported in the third quarter, ended Sept. 30.

In general, the loss will be attributed to low revenues combined with increased contract costs and initial production variances on the airline ticketing printer. The company expects to release the final numbers for the quarter by Nov. 2.

Initially, the company expected unfavorable comparisons between the third and fourth quarters of 1990 and 1989. The quarters ended Sept. 30, 1989, and Dec. 31, 1989, were the two best quarters ITS has ever recorded.

Importantly, Chief Financial Officer Ken Hoitt said: ''The company has not cut back on its commitment to meet the needs of its current and future customers and, as significantly, to stay ahead of the competition.

''Research and development expenditures, just for the nine months ending Sept.

30, 1990, exceed by 20 percent the full-year record R&D expenditures of $1.8 million made in 1989. Additionally, ITS continues to add to the sales staff as well as invest in its Just-In-Time/Total Quality Control program.

''ITS generates revenue from contract sales, the very nature of which dictates that there will be fluctuation from one quarter and often one year to the next. One measure of stability in this kind of environment is backlog, which at the end of September is $20 million.

''A significant portion of this backlog will not be filled until 1991. Therefore, we expect to see continued weakness, resulting in a loss, in our fourth quarter as well.''

ITS is an international leader in customized ticketing systems for computerized parimutuel wagering, lotteries and travel industry products. McKinnie & Associates, a wholly owned subsidiary, markets a proprietary management information system for parimutuel wagering, sporting and entertainment facilities.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Wells Fargo & Company Wednesday confirmed that Warren Buffett, through Berkshire Hathaway Inc. and various affiliated companies, now owns 5,030,600 shares of Wells Fargo & Company, or approximately 9.8 percent of outstanding common stock.

Buffett is chairman of Berkshire Hathaway Inc., of Omaha, Neb.

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HELSINKI, FINLAND (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer Inc. and Oy Mercantile Ab have Wednesday signed an agreement to transfer the operations of Oy Mercantile Computers Ab to a new company, Apple Computer Oy, effective April 3, 1991.

The new company becomes Apple's 13th European subsidiary. The event marks a significant step in the strengthening of Apple's presence in Finland, and reflects the growing maturity of the personal computer industry in the Nordic countries. The primary role of the subsidiary will be to enhance sales and marketing support to Apple's local resellers.

Oy Mercantile Computers Ab was founded in early 1985. The company has been fully devoted to importing and marketing of Apple Computer Inc. products in Finland. Timo Tiihonen, general manager of Oy Mercantile Computers Ab since its creation, will be general manager of the new Apple subsidiary.

''Our cooperation with Mercantile has been excellent. Apple sales have increased from $2 million to $50 million during the past 5 years in Finland. Given the growing business, all parties concerned have agreed that this is the right time to further develop the position of Apple in Finland. With Apple's international resources we intend to strengthen the service and customer support through resellers and other partners,'' said Soren Olsson, president of Apple Europe.

''As a global company our aim is to be present all over the world. By establishing this new subsidiary, Apple is demonstrating its long term commitment to the Finnish market place,'' he added.

''We have a large number of important customers here in Finland, in government education and business, including some key multinational companies. Since the number of Apple users is increasing at such a fast pace, it is a great benefit to have the resources of our mother company in order to improve the quality of customer support,'' said Timo Tiihonen.

The staff of Oy Mercantile Computers Ab will continue in the new company.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Washington Energy Co. reported a drop in net income for fiscal 1990, while setting new growth records at its utility and oil and gas subsidiaries, chairman and chief executive officer James A. Thorpe announced Wednesday.

Net income was $20.7 million, a 13 percent decrease from last year.

Earnings per share in 1990 were $1.17, a 23 percent decline from 1989 earnings of $1.52 a share.

Even though the company's principal subsidiary, Washington Natural Gas, added a record number of customers -- 26,000 or 8 percent more than a year ago, mild weather hurt the year's results, noted Thorpe.

Utility gas sales for the year were $293 million, compared with $311 million in 1989. Weather was 3.5 percent warmer than a year ago and 6 percent warmer than normal.

Thorpe also reported that the August out-of-court settlement of a case involving former holders of preferred stock resulted in a charge that reduced earnings by 17 cents a share.

Another record for Washington Energy was accomplished through Thermal Exploration Inc., the company's oil and gas exploration and development subsidiary.

Thermal Exploration's oil and gas reserves increased 96 percent, to 16.4 million barrels of oil equivalent. Eighty percent of the reserves are in natural gas.

Revenues of $19.5 million for Thermal Exploration represent a 22 percent increase over 1989.

Washington Energy is a diversified energy company with interests in natural gas distribution, oil and gas exploration and production, biowaste technology, coal property holdings for future development, proposed development of rail transportation of coal, and the marketing of energy and conservation products and services.

The Washington Energy Co. trading symbol is ''WECO'' on the NASDAQ National Market System, and is quoted as ''WashEngy'' or ''Wash Energy Co.'' in other sources.

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LOUISVILLE, KY. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Steel Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:STTX) Wednesday reported results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the quarter, net income increased 125 percent to $1,785,000 compared with $795,000 in the fourth quarter of 1989. Earnings amounted to 22 cents per

share, up 120 percent from 10 cents per share a year ago.

For the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income increased 13 percent to $6,663,000, or 83 cents per share, compared with $5,906,000, or 74 cents per share, in fiscal 1989.

Sales for the fourth quarter increased 33 percent to a quarterly record of $38,380,000 compared with $28,893,000 in the comparable quarter a year ago. For the fiscal year, sales increased 15 percent to a new annual record of $140,836,000 compared with $122,628,000 in 1989.

Merwin J. Ray, chairman and chief executive officer, commented on the results:

''The company's strong performance in the fourth quarter caps a year of solid achievement for Steel Technologies. During 1990, we set records in sales and shipments and increased earnings in spite of weak conditions in our market. Our commitment to quality, service and technology continue to result in expanded market share and increased participation with existing and new customers.''

The company also announced today that it has finalized definitive agreements to establish a joint venture corporation called Processing Technology Inc. with LTV Steel Company Inc. and Mitsui Steel Development Co. Inc. The joint venture initially will operate two facilities managed by Steel Technologies which will provide steel storage and processing of mill material using the latest technology in metal processing including slitting and cutting to length.

As an intermediate steel processor, Steel Technologies processes flat rolled steel to specified thickness, width, temper and finish requirements for automotive, appliance, communications, electrical, machinery and office equipment industries, among others. The company's common stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol STTX.

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LA PUENTE, CALIF. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwest Water Co. (NASDAQ:SWWC) Wednesday announced increased revenues and earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $11.98 million and net income was $967,000, or 42 cents per primary share and 41 cents per fully diluted share.

This compares with revenues of $11,032,000 and net income of $1,314,000, or 58 cents per primary share and 56 cents per fully diluted share, for the same

period a year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues rose 7 percent to $30,454,000 and net income increased 12 percent to $2,181,000, or 95 cents per primary share and 92 cents per fully diluted share.

This compares with revenues of $28,405,000 and net income of $1,954,000, or 87 cents per primary share and 83 cents per fully diluted share, for the same nine-month period in 1989. Results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, include an after-tax gain of $160,000, or 7 cents per fully diluted share, from the sale of real estate in the first quarter of 1990.

Commenting on the company's third-quarter performance, Anton C. Garnier, president, said: ''Our Southern California water utility faced a number of financial challenges, most notably a reduction in water revenues stemming from voluntary conservation on the part of our customers and unseasonably mild weather in July and August.

Southwest Water is the parent company of Suburban Water Systems (water service in parts of Los Angeles and Orange counties); New Mexico Utilities Inc. (water supply and sewage disposal services northwest of Albuquerque); ECO Resources Inc., Line-One Inc. and SOCI Inc. (operational and maintenance services for water supply and wastewater treatment facilities in Texas, Mississippi and California).

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Times Mirror (NYSE/PSE:TMC) Wednesday announced that revenues for the third quarter of 1990 rose 2.4 percent, to $895 million, from $873.9 million, in the comparable period of 1989.

Net income totalled $41.9 million, or 33 cents per share, compared with $70.1 million, or 54 cents per share, in last year's third quarter.

Revenues for the first three quarters of 1990 increased 3.7 percent, to $2.68 billion, from $2.58 billion, for the same period a year ago, while net income declined to $134.9 million, or $1.05 per share, from $223.9 million, or $1.73 per share. Included in the 1989 results is an 11-cent gain from the sales of timberlands recorded in the second quarter.

While revenues were up at The Times over the third quarter of 1989, revenues

declined at all other newspapers. Total Newspaper Publishing revenues for the quarter remained about even with the previous year, while operating profit declined 61.2 percent.

Daily circulation averages for all Times Mirror newspapers for the six-month period ended Sept. 30, as reported to the Audit Bureau of Circulations, showed a 3.9 percent increase over 1989, including an 8 percent increase for The Times. Total Sunday circulation rose 4.2 percent, including a 7.5 percent increase for The Times.

The company's legal, medical and flight information publishing businesses continued to spur growth in the Book, Magazine and Other Publishing segment, despite lower results from magazine operations due to declining advertising volume. Revenues for this group advanced 7.8 percent and operating profit rose 4.2 percent, over the third quarter of 1989.

Cable Television revenues grew 9.7 percent and operating profit was up 5.5 percent, primarily due to increased subscriber levels for basic cable services. Pay-service subscriber levels continued to taper off during the quarter.

Broadcast Television revenues rose 7.4 percent, compared with the third quarter of 1989. Operating profit declined 26.3 percent due to the impact of higher programming and other operating costs incurred to enhance the competitive position of the company's four stations in their local markets.

Third quarter results were also affected by one-time charges incurred at Newsday which reduced earnings per share by 3 cents. These charges reflect severance payments related to a voluntary early retirement program and lease costs.

The effective tax rate jumped to 40.8 percent in the quarter from 38.4 percent for the same period last year.

Interest expense in the third quarter was $18.8 million, up 29.6 percent, from the previous year, primarily as a result of higher debt levels incurred to finance construction of new facilities -- most notably for The Times, Newsday and Baltimore Sun -- and lower amounts of interest capitalized as these new facilities come on line.

Times Mirror, a Los Angeles-based media and information company, publishes the Los Angeles Times, Newsday and New York Newsday, the Baltimore Sun newspapers, The Hartford Courant, The Morning Call, The (Stamford) Advocate and Greenwich Time. The company also has interests in broadcast and cable television, and book, magazine and other publishing.

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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Kinetic Concepts, Inc. (NASDAQ: KNCI) Wednesday reported net earnings of $.8 million or $.02 per share for the three-months ended September 30, 1990 compared with $6.0 million or $.12 per share for the third quarter of 1989.

Third quarter results were affected by restructuring charges of $6.5 million or $.08 per share.

Net earnings from KCI's core business before restructuring charges and excluding Medirec operating results and acquisition financing costs for the quarter were $5.7 million or $.11 per share in the third quarter of 1990.

KCI's restructuring includes an overall reduction in workforce of approximately 10%, the anticipated sale of Simmons Healthcare and the write-down of certain other assets. The program is expected to remove $5-6 million in annual operating expenses from the company's cost base beginning in 1991.

Total revenue in the third quarter of 1990, including Medirec was $59.5 million, a 33% increase over $44.6 million in the third quarter of 1989. Revenue from KCI's core specialty bed business, was $48.2 million, up 8% from the third quarter one year ago. Medirec, which was acquired on July 2, 1990, contributed $11.3 million in revenue during the third quarter. Growth continued to be strong in the air suspension bed category, but Kinetic Therapy bed revenue declined versus the prior year. Average prices for air suspension beds remained firm at year ago levels but overall average rental prices declined slightly due primarily to a lower mix of higher-priced Kinetic Therapy bed rentals. Total operating income before restructuring charges was $10.6 million, up 12% from the second quarter of 1990, but down 3% compared with the same period last year.

For the nine-month period ended September 30, 1990, net earnings were $12.6 million or $.24 per share, compared with $18.9 million or $.38 per share in the prior year nine-month period. Earnings per share for the nine months differ from the sum of the quarters due to rounding differences. Total revenue in the first nine months of 1990 was $154.1 million, up 19% from $130.0 million in the prior period.

Kinetic Concepts is a leading manufacturer and distributor of specialized therapeutic beds and a major provider of rental medical equipment to select markets worldwide.

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WAYNE, N.J. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - POLYMERIC RESOURCES CORP. (TRADED OVER-THE-COUNTER-SHEETS) Wednesday announced net sales and net income for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

For the year ended June 30, 1990, net sales decreased 28% to $17,720,355 from $22,727,540 in fiscal 1989. Management noted the decrease in net sales was due primarily to the Company's decision to reduce its low margin sourced product sales reflecting increasingly unfavorable pricing. Income (before cumulative effect of accounting change reflected in the Company's 1989 financial statements) increased 50% to $401,354, or $3.91 per share, in the current fiscal year from $267,650, or $2.57 per share, in fiscal 1989. Net income decreased slightly to $401,354, or $3.91 per share, from $420,185, or $4.03 per share, in the prior year.

POLYMERIC RESOURCES CORP. is engaged in the business of compounding, upgrading and selling engineering thermoplastics and related equipment.

POLYMERIC RESOURCES
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS
(Unaudited)
Year Ended
June 30,

	1990	1989
Net Sales	$17,720,355	$22,727,540
Net Income	401,354	420,185
Net Income Per Share	$ 3.91	$ 4.03 (a)

Note (a) -- Due primarily to the implementation of FASB 96 (approximately $153,000 or $1.46 per share).

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CLIFTON, N.J. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Valley National Bancorp (NASDAQ:VNBP) Wednesday reported net income of $6.5 million or $0.52 per share for the quarter ended September 30, 1990.

For the first nine months of this year, Valley earned $23.3 million or $1.83 per share. Net income for the comparable three and nine month periods of 1989 was $8.7 million or $0.69 per share, and $25.4 million or $2.00 per share respectively.

Gerald H. Lipkin, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, stated that Valley's recent results were primarily attributable to growth in net interest income and non-interest revenues, offset by a decision to increase the provision for possible loan losses as a cautious response to regional economic conditions which continue to impact the Company's loan portfolio.

He noted that after the increased provision for possible loan losses, Valley's annualized return on average assets was 1.69% and return on average equity was 17.28% for the first nine months of this year.

''During the third quarter, management and the Board came to the decision that a higher level of loan loss reserves was prudent, as economic uncertainties continued and the quarter showed an increase in non-performing assets,'' Mr. Lipkin said. He added that Valley's non-performing assets and net charge-offs remain at levels well below the industry average.

The provision for possible loan losses was $3.8 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $925,000 in the second quarter of this year and $375,000 in the third quarter of 1989. At September 30, 1990, the allowance for loan losses totalled $12.7 million, or 0.93% of loans, net of unearned income, and 68% of non-performing assets. Non-performing assets amounted to $18.7 million, or 1.37% of loans, net of unearned income, at September 30, 1990, up from $7.8 million or 0.57% of net loans at June 30, 1990.

Valley National Bancorp is a regional bank holding company which provides a wide range of traditional commercial banking services through its principal subsidiary, Valley National Bank. Established in 1927, the Bank operates 27 full-service offices located throughout the northeastern New Jersey counties of Passaic, Bergen, Hudson, Essex and Morris.

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MONROVIA, CALIF. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - STAAR Surgical Co. stated that it had been relisted on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation Service (NASDAQ) effective Wednesday, Oct. 24.

Due to the company's improved financial status, STAAR was found to be qualified for relisting after being delisted by NASDAQ in June of 1989.

In addition, the company announced it had taken initial steps for listing on the Philadelphia and Boston exchanges, and as a result, the company will effect a reverse 1-for-2 stock split effective also on Thursday, Nov. 1.

''Current and proposed listing requirements for the various exchanges have a minimum per-share value requirement,'' stated LaMar F. Laster, chief operating officer and chairman. ''In order to meet and maintain all exchange requirements so as to assure our continued listing, we have instituted a 1-for-2 reverse stock split. This split will enhance our per-share value and make for the possibility of our trading on a realistic earnings per share basis during 1991.''

The STAAR relisting on NASDAQ came a full two quarters earlier than what had previously been perceived, a STAAR spokesman added.

''The new management team at STAAR has now delivered on every aspect of its rejuvenation plan outlined in the 1989 letter to the shareholders,'' stated William Huddleston, vice president and chief financial officer. ''Products have been transformed from disapproved to approvable by the FDA Ophthalmic Panel, litigation has been settled, the financial footing of the company is now sound and finally, our investors who have suffered most through this ordeal have the prospects for a legitimate trading market once more. This has truly been a remarkable year.''

STAAR, a publicly traded company founded in 1982, develops, manufactures and markets products for small-incision surgery, primarily for use in cataract procedures.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Molecular Biosystems Inc. (NYSE: MB) announced it has been granted broad U.S. and European patents covering unique methods for synthesizing and labelling oligonucleotide probes.

This non-radioactive technology forms the basis of the Synthetic Nucleic Acid Probe (SNAP) system currently being developed and commercialized by Syngene Inc., an MBI subsidiary company.

The SNAP method covered in these patents, filed in 1983, enables Syngene to efficiently produce pure synthetic nucleic acid probes on a commercial scale

without any radioactive detection system.

"The use of non-radioactive synthetic probes has become the method of choice for a number of probe companies," said Vincent A. Frank, president of MBI and Syngene. "This patent, the first of its kind to be allowed in the U.S., gives Syngene a very early priority date and the basis for vigorous enforcement of our intellectual property position."

The direct, non-radioactive labelling of synthetic nucleic acid probes was pioneered by Syngene scientists who recognized, early on, the advantages of an all-synthetic approach.

Prior to the invention of the SNAP labelling method by Dr. Jerry L. Ruth, Syngene vice president of research, DNA probes were made by cloning methods, commonly labelled with radioactive isotopes, and were typically costly to produce and difficult to make consistently in commercial quantities.

"The publication of the Ruth patent is a real milestone in the commercialization of genetic probe technology, one of which we at Syngene are proud," added Frank. "The SNAP labelling system is at the heart of our current line of clinical and research products and will ultimately spawn a very broad family of kits and reagents."

To date, several SNAP products have been launched by Syngene, including two FDA-cleared kits to identify Mycobacterium species that cause serious respiratory diseases.

Syngene Inc., located in San Diego, is a leading developer of direct, non-radioactively labelled genetic probe products. Additionally, Molecular Biosystems Inc. is a leading biomedical firm developing proprietary medical products that diagnose human disease, including Albunex, an injectable contrast agent for use in ultrasound imaging.

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CHANDLER, ARIZ. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Inter-Tel Inc. (OTC:INTL) Wednesday announced operating results for the third quarter and the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Strong orders and shipments to Inter-Tel's OEM and general distribution customers resulted in total net sales for the quarter of $17.7 million, up 33 percent from net sales of $13.3 million for the third quarter of 1989.

Net sales during the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $52.5 million or 22 percent greater than the net sales of $43 million for the same period last

year. The 1989 figures were adversely affected by production delays by Inter-Tel's principal subcontractor which were offset by strong shipments during the fourth quarter last year.

The 1990 nine months' shipments represent the highest level in Inter-Tel's history. They include approximately $1.5 million of sales in the United Kingdom where Inter-Tel has established a new subsidiary. Sales through Inter-Tel's direct branches remain about level with the preceding year.

Net income for the third quarter and the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $328,000 and $1,144,000 respectively, or 4 cents a share for the third quarter and 14 cents a share for the nine months of 1990. This compares with net losses of $491,000, or 6 cents a share, and $391,000, or 5 cents a share, for the comparable periods of 1989. The 1989 results were reduced by a $360,000 provision for employee severance pay and the lower shipments mentioned above.

Steven G. Mihaylo, chairman and chief executive officer of Inter-Tel, stated that the import duty dumping penalties imposed on certain Inter-Tel assemblies produced in Korea continue to impact Inter-Tel's earnings.

Such penalties increased costs of sales by $295,000 in the third quarter and by $964,000 in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. This is equivalent to a reduction in income per share of 2 cents and 7 cents per share, respectively. Inter-Tel is in the process of moving production of such assemblies to a subcontractor in the Philippines. Initial shipments are expected to begin in the fourth quarter with the move scheduled to be completed in 1991.

Inter-Tel is one of the leading designers, producers and marketers of business telecommunications software and systems in the United States and abroad. Inter-Tel produces digital electronic key, hybrid and PABX systems which are totally software updateable with features such as least cost routing, voice mail, automated attendant and uniform call distribution.

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REDMOND, WA (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Data I/O Corp. (NASDAQ:DAIO) Wednesday reported sales and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 27, 1990.

Data I/O Corp., based in Redmond, is the leading manufacturer of universal solutions for users of programmable integrated circuits. Its products include design, test and logic synthesis software for programmable logic devices (PLDs) and field programmable gate arrays (FPGAs); FutureNet Schematic Designer software for design entry; and logic and memory device programmers for the design and production environments. Data I/O has sales and service

offices worldwide.

Data I/O Corp.
Comparative Statement of Earnings
(In thousands)

	Third Quarter		Percent	Nine Months Ended		Percent
	9-27-90	9-28-89	Change	9-27-90	9-28-89	Change
Net sales	$13,382	$14,027	- 4.6	$42,072	$44,023	- 4.4
Gross margin	7,696	8,135	- 5.4	25,084	26,332	- 4.7
Gross margin as percent of sales	57.5	58.0	- 0.8	59.6	59.8	- 0.3
Operating expenses:						
Selling	4,325	4,838	-10.6	13,225	13,789	- 4.1
Research and development	1,731	2,051	-15.6	5,477	6,472	-15.4
General and administrative	1,307	1,526	-14.4	4,324	4,394	- 1.6
Operating income (loss)	333	(280)	218.9	2,058	1,677	22.7
Non-operating (income) expenses:						
Interest, net	89	138	-35.5	277	274	1.1
Foreign currency exchange	(67)	(14)	378.6	(104)	26	500.0
Income before taxes	311	(404)	177.0	1,885	1,377	36.9
Income tax expense	170	156	9.0	1,037	886	17.0
Net income	$ 141	$ (560)	125.2	$ 848	$ 491	72.7
Earnings per share	$ 0.02	$ (0.08)		$ 0.13	$ 0.07	
Weighted average common shares outstanding	6,737	6,689		6,708	6,735	

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BELLEVUE, WASH. (OTC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - PENWEST's (NASDAQ:PENW) board of directors yesterday authorized an $8 million capital expenditure to increase by 30 percent its finishing capacity at Penford Products Co. in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Penford, a producer of specialty chemical starch products, is the company's principal operating unit.

''This key expansion brings to $36 million our capital investment at Penford in the last three years,'' said Tod R. Hamachek, chief executive officer. ''The investment reflects a continuing strong demand for the company's specialty starch products, a high level of customer satisfaction from existing customers and the development of new business.''

PENWEST develops, manufactures and markets specialty carbohydrate and synthetic polymer chemicals for papermaking. The company also produces and markets specialty food ingredients and agricultural nutrition supplements.

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PASADENA, CALIF. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Conversion Industries Inc. (ASE:CVD) Wednesday announced that it has acquired 42 percent of Western Energy Management Inc. (''Western''), a leading energy conservation company based in California.

Conversion paid 222,222 shares of its common stock and performed certain professional services in exchange for 1.25 million shares of Western's common stock and rights to purchase an additional 1.75 million shares at $3 per share.

Western designs, engineers and installs total energy conservation programs primarily to municipalities and large corporate users of power. The company has engineered and installed conservation programs in over 20 municipalities. Western has entered into a series of agreements to acquire the ownership of its principal subcontractor for energy conservation projects -- Clarke & Rush.

This transaction, valued at approximately $3 million, is expected to close in about three weeks. On a combined basis Western and Clarke & Rush had revenues of approximately $5,831,000, and pre-tax income of approximately $1,221,000, for the year ended June 30, 1990. Western believes that 1991 revenues and earnings will be substantially higher based on existing backlog and contracts under negotiation.

The board of directors of Conversion has approved management's plan to distribute approximately 500,000 shares of Western common stock and 1.4 million rights to purchase additional shares of Western common stock at $3 per share to Conversion's shareholders. The distribution will be on the basis of one share of common stock of Western for every five shares of Conversion common stock and one Western common stock right for each two shares of Conversion.

The proposed distribution is subject to Western registering its common stock and common stock rights with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Western has advised the company that it expects a registration statement to be filed by mid-November.

The company plans to list both the common stock and the rights on a national exchange. Western is in the process of arranging a standby underwriting commitment for the excercise up to 1.25 million warrants at $3 to the extent not exercised by Conversion shareholders.

It is presently anticipated that the record date for the proposed distribution of Western common stock and common stock purchase rights to the Conversion shareholders will be established in early December, with the distribution to be completed before year-end.

Conversion Industries is an integrated independent power producer.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (OCT. 24) BIZWIRE - Frank J. Kugler Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Union Trust Co., Wednesday announced that the company had retained Goldman, Sachs & Co. to sell its credit card portfolio.

Kugler indicated that ''With the termination of The Bank of New York merger, Union Trust Co. is now free to make this important strategic move. Over the past several years, our credit card business has been profitable to the company.

''However, the consolidation trend in the credit card industry which has been accelerating over the last two years has put pressure on credit card operations the size of Union Trust's.

''The resulting competition has necessitated a larger commitment of marketing dollars in order to maintain market share. Given that this trend is expected to continue, we think that now is the time to maximize the premium that should be paid for a mature credit card portfolio of our size and quality.''

Kugler further noted that both the proceeds of the sale and the credit card marketing dollars will be redeployed to place greater emphasis on core business opportunities that will enable the bank to further expand market share throughout Connecticut.

The bank started issuing MasterCards in 1969 and Visa cards in 1977. Union

Trust was a member of the Eastern States' Bankcard Association from 1969 to 1988. The current card base of 123,000 cards representing approximately $110 million in outstanding balances is presently being serviced by First Data Resources.

Northeast Bancorp Inc. is the parent company of Union Trust Co., NBI Mortgage Investment Corp., UT Finance Ltd. and Fairfield Properties Inc. With $3.3 billion in assets and 70 offices throughout the state, Union Trust is the third-largest commercial bank in Connecticut.

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FORT MITCHELL, KY (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Sunrise Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:SRSL) held its annual stockholders' meeting Oct. 22, 1990, at the main office of Sunrise Bank for Savings, F.S.B. in Fort Mitchell.

Two directors were elected to serve for three-year terms. James C. Davis, current director, president, chief executive officer and director of Sunrise Bank for Savings, F.S.B. and David A. Schneider, current director, director of Sunrise Bank for Savings, F.S.B. and partner in the law firm of Ziegler and Schneider, P.S.C. have been directors since 1972 and will serve until 1993.

Other directors of Sunrise Bancorp Inc. include Gayle McElroy, real estate broker, Walton, Ky., David R. Mueller, Comair Holdings Inc., Cincinnati, Bob Sumerel, Bob Sumerel Tire Co., Erlanger, Ky., Wayne Carlisle, Carlisle Enterprises Inc., Wilder, Ky., and James E. Bushman, Cast-Fab Technologies Inc., Cincinnati.

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BARTLESVILLE, OKLA. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - For the fourth consecutive year Phillips Petroleum Co. (NYSE:P) will replace all the hydrocarbon reserves it produced according to Wayne Allen, senior vice president, exploration and production.

Based on data available Sept. 1, total worldwide reserves on a barrel-of-oil equivalent basis (BOE) will be up slightly from 1989 levels when reserves totaled 1.9 billion barrels-of-oil equivalent. In 1989, the company replaced 124 percent of its worldwide hydrocarbon production.

Extensions and discoveries are responsible for slightly over half of the reserves replacement while enhanced recovery programs also contributed to the replacement success. Revisions of previous estimates accounted for most of the remainder of the reserves replacement.

Estimates of proved reserves are based upon reservoir information, technology, and economics available at the time the estimates are made. Adjustments are made to reflect changes in economic conditions, results of drilling and production, and the technical re-evaluation of reservoirs.

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POUGHKEEPSIE, NY (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Poughkeepsie Savings Bank, FSB (NASDAQ:PKPS) Wednesday reported a net loss of $12.4 million, or $3.49 per share, for the third quarter of 1990 compared with a net loss of $18.3 million or $5.22 per share, in the 1989 third quarter. For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, the bank recorded a net loss of $31.0 million, or $8.70 per share, versus a net loss of $16.2 million, or $4.61 per share, for the comparable 1989 period.

Christoph H. Schmidt, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, said that the quarterly and year-to-date results in 1990 were affected primarily by provisions for possible loan losses of $10.8 million and $31.9 million, respectively. Noting that the level of nonperforming assets declined slightly during the quarter, Mr. Schmidt stated, ''We believe these reserve additions anticipate further weakness in the commercial and residential real estate markets for the balance of the year and into 1991.

Poughkeepsie Savings Bank is a community banking institution whose principal market is the Mid-Hudson Valley region of New York, where it operates 11 branch offices. Its Market Street Mortgage subsidiary has loan production offices in Florida, Georgia, Virginia and Pennsylvania.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Loral Corp. (NYSE:LOR) announced Wednesday

that it has completed the acquisition of Ford Aerospace Corp. for $715 million.

With the acquisition of Ford Aerospace, the combined companies, on an annualized basis, (excluding BDM) will have a revenue base approaching $3 billion, a backlog of approximately $3.8 billion and more than 26,000 employees worldwide.

Ford Aerospace was purchased by a new corporation, Loral Aerospace Holdings Inc. The new company was formed by Loral and the merchant banking partnerships of Shearson Lehman. Each contributed $147.5 million of equity to the acquisition, with the balance financed by bank borrowings that are non-recourse to Loral. Loral will operate the company and owns 51.5 percent, with an option to acqire up to 70 percent.

''The marriage of Loral and Ford Aerospace joins complementary programs, technologies, markets and customers and brings new dimensions to our business '' said Bernard L. Schwartz, Loral's chairman and chief executive officer.

''Additionally, Ford Aerospace will contribute to earnings immediately,'' he said.

Concurrently, Ford Aerospace's BDM operations were purchased by the Carlyle Group for $130 million, $105 million in cash and $25 million in notes, part of which are conditioned on future events.

Loral also announced this week it had signed Memoranda of Understanding with three major European companies to sell 49 percent of the commerical communication and weather satellite business acquired as part of the Ford Aerospace transaction for $182 million.

Loral Aerospace Holdings Inc., with 51 percent ownership of the business, will have management responsibility for the enterprise which will be known as Space Systems/Loral. A first quarter 1991 closing is expected.

Loral intends to run the combined Loral and Ford Aerospace, including Space Systems/Loral, as an integrated operation.

Ford Aerospace, a major high-technology defense and space systems company, earned $127 million of operating income on revenue of approximately $1.9 billion in 1989. BDM accounted for $356 million in revenues of Ford Aerospace's 1989 results.

Loral Corp. is a high-technology company that concentrates in defense electronics and space communications.

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BASKING RIDGE, N.J. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Wednesday announced it has signed two contracts to provide long-distance service to more than 9,000 hotel room phones at the Walt Disney World Resort Complex in Florida and Disneyland Hotel in California and to 900 public pay phones within the Walt Disney World Resort Complex.

The contracts are for two years and include renewal options. Under these agreements, AT&T Long Distance Service also will be provided to all Walt Disney World Resorts currently under construction and will be made available to the nine independently owned hotels within the Walt Disney World Resort Complex.

''People come from all over the world to experience the resorts and attractions at Walt Disney World and Disneyland, and they expect the best from every service we provide, including long-distance service,'' said Dick Nunis, President of Walt Disney Attractions. ''That's why we selected AT&T.''

Walt Disney World Resort Hotels with AT&T long-distance service include: Caribbean Beach Resort, Contemporary Resort, Fort Wilderness Resort and Campground, Yacht and Beach Club. Three other hotels are under construction. In California, AT&T will provide long-distance service to the Disneyland Hotel and Queen Mary Hotel.

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JASPER, AL (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - First Federal of Alabama, F.S.B. (NASDAQ/NMS:FFAL) Wednesday announced record results for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the first quarter was $238,908, or 27 cents per share, compared with $179,679, or 21 cents per share, in the same period last year.

Commenting on the results, Al H. Simmons, chairman and president, said, ''We are very proud to report the improved results for First Federal. The increase in net income for the quarter is primarily the result of improved interest margins and lower operating expenses stemming from the cost-cutting actions taken by management to improve profitability.

''Net interest income for the first quarter was $1,180,243 compared with

$859,108 in the first quarter last year. First Federal remains in a sound financial condition with total stockholders' equity of $12.4 million,'' Simmons concluded.

FIRST FEDERAL OF ALABAMA, F.S.B.
Unaudited Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended September 30, 1990	Three Months Ended September 30, 1989
Net earnings	$ 238,908	$ 179,679
Earnings per share	27 cents	21 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	877,750	877,750

	September 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
Total assets	$187,121,000	$191,084,000
Loans receivable and mortgage-backed securities, net	$162,909,000	$164,859,000
Deposits	$152,286,000	$152,294,000
Total stockholders' equity	$ 12,400,000	$ 12,160,000
Book value per share	$ 14.13	$ 13.85
Stockholders' equity to assets ratio	6.6 pct.	6.4 pct.

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MONTREAL, QUEBEC; ARLINGTON, TEXAS (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Techbyte International Inc. (VSE: TB) with offices in Montreal, Quebec and Arlington, Texas, Wednesday announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Onyx Informatique Inc. of Quebec, has been awarded a series of three software development contracts by Hydro-Quebec, the Quebec-based electric power company.

The contracts total over $240,000, according to Ron Moore, Vice President and General Manager of Techbyte's Canadian operations.

The contracts are for the production of computer-based training software for use on PC-compatible computers, according to Moore, who stated that, ''We are very pleased that Onyx has been awarded this new contract. Obviously, Hydro-Quebec has been satisfied with Onyx' services on earlier contracts.''

Hydro-Quebec, with headquarters in Montreal, produces almost all of the electricity consumed in Quebec, serving more than 2.9 million customers. The power network is one of the largest in North America, covering 1.5 million

square miles, and is one of the few power generating systems in the world that is exclusively hydro-based.

Hydro-Quebec also sells electricity to other power companies in Canada and the Northeastern United States, supplying more than 30 billion kilowatt hours annually outside of Quebec. With assets of over 30 billion dollars, and over 24,000 employees, Hydro-Quebec ranks second in size among Canadian Companies.

Techbyte International Inc., a federally incorporated company, was established in 1984 and has its head office in Longueuil, Quebec. In November, 1989, Techbyte International (USA) Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Techbyte International of Quebec, was established in the United States, and is based in Arlington.

Onyx Informatique Inc. of Montreal, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Techbyte International, specializes in producing computer-based training materials for business and commercial customers.

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TAMPA, FL (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The company announced that effective 9:00 a.m. on Oct. 22, Larry's Industries Inc., the wholly owned subsidiary of Bressler's Industries Inc., acquired certain assets in a bulk sale of Larry's Ice Cream Inc. and it's wholly owned subsidiaries.

The proceeds from the acquisition will be used to pay creditors. All future proceeds from the sale of corporate assets will also be used to pay creditors. No distribution on account of ownership of shares of the company is anticipated.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - United Industrial Corp. reported that net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 was $2,007,000 or 17 cents per share compared with net income of $4,319,000 or 33 cents per share in the same period last year.

Consolidated sales in the third quarter were $65,255,000 as compared with sales of $76,266,000 in the same period last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30 net income was $9,631,000 or 76 cents per share, which includes a claim for federal income tax refund and interest of $2,660,000 or 21 cents per share. This compares with net income of $5,459,000 or 42 cents per share in the same period last year. Consolidated sales were $189,193,000 as compared with sales of $215,448,000 for the same period last year.

Backlog at the end of the quarter was $237 million as compared to $275 million a year ago.

United Industrial Corp.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 65,255,000	$ 76,266,000	$ 189,193,000	$ 215,448,000
Income before federal income tax	3,080,000	6,546,000	10,609,000	7,854,000
Federal income tax	1,073,000	2,227,000	978,000 (a)	2,395,000
Net income	$ 2,007,000	$ 4,319,000	$ 9,631,000	$ 5,459,000 (b)
Earnings per share	$ .17	$ .33	$ .76 (a)	$ .42 (b)
Weighted average shares outstanding	12,310,000	13,066,000	12,661,000	13,072,000

(a) Includes a claim for Federal Income Tax Refund and Interest of $2,660,000 or 21 cents per share.

(b) Includes a non-cash charge against earnings in the first quarter of 1989 of $6,595,000 (50 cents per share) resulting from an out of court settlement between UIC's subsidiary, AAI Corp. and Harris Corp.

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BOSTON (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Grove Bank for Savings (NASDAQ: GROV)

announced Wednesday that the board of directors has decided to postpone the proposed formation of a holding company for the bank which was approved by the bank's stockholders on June 7, 1990. The only steps remaining to be completed are necessary state and federal regulatory approvals.

Thomas R. Venables, president and chief executive officer, stated: "The regional economy has changed significantly since we first decided to form the holding company late last year, as has the regulatory environment for the banking industry generally.

"While we continue to believe that a holding company structure would enhance stockholder value and facilitate acquisitions of other financial institutions, the current climate is an extremely difficult one in which to achieve those benefits.

"Accordingly, the board of directors has determined that it is in the bank's best interest to defer, for the time being, the final steps necessary to accomplish the holding company formation. It is important to note that this is by no means a final decision. Management and the board will continue to assess the economic and regulatory trends to determine whether it would be appropriate to complete the holding company formation at some future date."

Grove Bank's total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $209.8 million and stockholder's equity was $26.1 million or 12.44 percent of assets. Book value per share was $17.74 on Sept. 30, 1990.

Grove Bank, a Massachusetts-chartered stock savings bank, became public in August, 1986. The bank's deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) and the Deposit Insurance Fund of Massachusetts (DIFM).

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Eaton Corp.'s board of directors Wednesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 55 cents per common share on the company's outstanding stock, payable on Nov. 23 to shareholders of record on Nov. 5.

Eaton has paid dividends on common shares annually since 1923.

With 42,000 employees in 20 countries, Eaton Corp. is a manufacturer of highly engineered products serving automotive, industrial, commercial and defense markets. Principal products include truck transmissions and axles, engine components, electrical equipment and controls.

The company's sales in 1989 were $3.7 billion, with net income of $225 million

or $6.00 per share of common stock. For the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, Eaton's net income was $143.1 million, or $3.99 per share, on sales of $2.764 billion.

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Renald M. Romain, 216/523-4736

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HOUSTON (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Texas Petroleum Holdings Inc. (NYSE:UTH) Wednesday reported $9 million in net income, resulting in a loss of 3 cents per common share, for the third quarter of 1990, compared to $21 million, or 10 cents per share, of net income for the same period a year ago.

The decrease was attributed primarily to a higher effective tax rate, due to increased production in the U.K. North Sea and the favorable resolution of certain tax issues in the prior year, and lower U.S. natural gas prices.

The company's results for the third quarter of 1990 also were affected by higher operating expenses for safety and maintenance work in the North Sea, which required a shutdown of production for eight days, and higher volume-related expenses in Indonesia.

These items more than offset increased North Sea oil and Indonesian liquefied natural gas (LNG) volumes and improved worldwide crude oil prices.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company had $56 million, or 24 cents per share, in net income, compared to $156 million, or $1.44 per share, in 1989's corresponding period. The company's performance in 1989's first nine months benefited from the business interruption insurance settlement concerning the Piper incident in the North Sea and its related impact on the effective tax rate.

As a result of the settlement, Union Texas recorded $58.6 million of net income in the second quarter of 1989 for payments to be received through 1990 in addition to business interruption insurance proceeds that had been accrued monthly since the incident in July 1988.

The independent oil and gas producer's results for the first nine months of 1990 also were affected by lower prices for ethylene and U.S. natural gas, partially offset by higher North Sea oil volumes, improved Indonesian LNG volumes and prices, and increased U.S. oil prices and natural gas volumes.

One of the nation's largest independent producers, Houston-based Union Texas Petroleum Holdings Inc. explores for and produces oil and gas in the United States and overseas and has petrochemicals and natural gas processing interests.

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PORT CHESTER, N.Y. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Financial results continue to set new asset, deposit and net income records in 1990 at Village Financial Services Ltd. (NASDAQ: VIFS).

Edmund C. Grainger Jr., chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Village Financial, said net income for the third quarter of 1990, which ended Sept. 30, was $982,000, up 70 percent from $577,000 for the comparable 1989 period.

For the first nine months of 1990, the chairman reported net income of $2,952,000, up 60 percent from $1,847,000 for the same nine month period last year.

''Earnings per share for the 1990 third quarter were 42 cents'', Grainger said. ''For the first nine months of 1990, earnings were $1.27 per share. Book value per share at September 30 was $19.58.''

Per share data does not apply to periods prior to Dec. 4, 1989 when Village Savings Bank converted from mutual to stock form became a wholly owned subsidiary of Village Financial Services Ltd., and changed its name to Village Bank.

Overall financial results for the first nine months of 1990 at Village Financial include earnings generated from the investment of $21.3 million in capital received from the public offering and conversion last year.

Total assets were $526.2 million at Sept. 30, up 35 percent from $390.4 million at Dec. 31, 1989. Deposits increased 14 percent to $369.4 million at Sept. 30 of this year compared to $324.2 million at Dec. 31 of last year. Securities sold under agreements to repurchase increased $77.7 million to $90.2 million at Sept. 30 of this year from $12.5 million at Dec. 31, 1989.

Stockholders' equity grew to $45.5 million at Sept. 30, an increase of $2.9 million from $42.6 million at Dec. 31, 1989. Stockholders' equity at both dates includes the net proceeds of $21.3 million from the sale of 2,325,000 shares of Village Financial common stock on Dec. 4, 1989.

Village Financial and Village Bank, conducts business from their administrative center in Port Chester, (Westchester County), New York, and nine full-service banking centers, eight of which are in Westchester County and one in the Riverdale section of the Bronx. Deposits of the bank are

insured up to the applicable limits by the Bank Insurance Fund of the FDIC.

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Robert H. Jones, 914/939-7200

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ALEXANDER CITY, ALA. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Russell Corp. (NYSE,PSE:RML) Wednesday declared its regular quarterly dividend of 8 cents per common share, payable Nov. 20, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 5, 1990.

Russell Corp. is a vertically integrated, international manufacturer and marketer of leisure apparel, activewear, athletic uniforms, better knit shirts and a comprehensive line of lightweight woven fabrics. The company's common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and several regional exchanges under the symbol RML.

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SEYMOUR, IN (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ:HOMF) reported a record first quarter net income of $757,000, or 81 cents per share for its first quarter ended Sept. 30. 1990; a 38 percent increase over the 1989 first quarter net income of $549,000, or 60 cents per share.

Home Federal Chairman John K. Keach Sr., attributed the bank's significant earnings increase to increased revenues and economies of scale made possible by the recent acquisition of the former Fidelity Federal Savings and Loan Association of Seymour.

Keach also cited continued improvement in the bank's net interest income and Home Federal's continuing emphasis on operating expense reduction as factors in the bank's record first quarter performance.

The first quarter earnings included $284,000 in loan loss provision, which represents an increase of $141,000; compared to $43,000 for the same period in 1989.

Net interest income after provision for loan losses increased 37 percent to $2,859,000, compared to $2,086,000, during the same period in 1989.

Total deposits increased 44 percent to $439,896,000 on Sept. 30, 1990, from $305,554,000 on Sept. 30, 1989.

Based on Sept. 30, 1990, book value of $22.59 per share, compared to 20.63 per share the previous year, Home Federal stock is trading at 40 percent of book value. The stock price at Sept. 30, 1990, was $9.00 per share.

Home Federal is an FDIC insured savings bank founded in 1908, currently operating 14 full service offices in southeastern Indiana, with total assets of $516 million as of Sept. 30, 1990.

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John K. Keach Jr. or Nancy O. Morris,
812/376-3323 or 800/876-4372

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HOUSTON (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - DI Industries Inc. (ASE:DRL) announced Wednesday its results of operations for the three months and the six months ended Sept. 30.

Revenues increased 59 percent to $12,579,000 for the current quarter as compared to $7,915,000 a year ago. The company recorded net income of $598,000 for the current quarter as compared to a loss of $385,000 a year ago. Cash flow increased 340 percent to $1,301,000 for the current quarter as compared to $296,000 a year ago.

The company reported net income per share of 2 cents for the quarter as compared to a net loss of 1 cent per share for a year ago. Revenues increased 79 percent to $22,591,000 for the six months ended Sept. 30, as compared to $12,595,000 for the six months a year ago.

Net income was $984,000 for the current six months compared to a loss of $1,210,000 a year ago. Cash flow was $2,372,000 for the current six months compared to negative cash flow of $106,000 a year ago.

The company reported net income per share of 3 cents for the six months as compared to a net loss of 4 cents a year ago.

DI Industries Inc., headquartered in Houston, is engaged primarily in the business of providing onshore contract drilling and well workover services to firms in the oil and gas industry, commercial drilling, oil and gas exploration, development and production and equipment repair and sales.

	QUARTER ENDED SEPT. 30,	
	1990	1989
	(UNAUDITED)	
Revenues	$ 12,579,000	$ 7,915,000
Net Income (Loss)	598,000	(385,000)

Weighted Average Shares of Common Stock Outstanding	36,670,632	29,557,293
Net Income (Loss) per Common Share	2 cents	(1 cent)

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LEXINGTON, MA (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Lexington Savings Bank (NASDAQ:LEXB) Wednesday announced its third quarter results.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Lexington Savings Bank reported a net loss of $1,388,000, or 60 cents per share compared to net income of $312,000, or 14 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989. For the third quarter, the bank provided $775,000 as a provision for possible loan losses and wrote-down the carrying value of other real estate owned by $168,000 due to a deteriorating real estate market in Massachusetts. Operating results for the third quarter included $235,000 in expenses associated with Lexington Savings Bank's pending merger with Waltham Savings Bank.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Lexington Savings Bank reported a net loss of $1,204,000, or 52 cents per share compared to net income of $389,000, or 17 cents per share in 1989. In light of an increase in nonperforming loans and the deteriorated condition of the Massachusetts real estate market, results for 1990 include $1,825,000 as a provision for possible loan losses compared to the $1,010,000 provided for the same period in 1989. Write-downs of other real estate owned amounted to $425,000 in 1990 versus $315,000 in 1989 and current year merger related expenses amounted to $443,000.

Net interest income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $5,118,000 versus $5,405,000 for the comparable period in 1989. The decline is attributed to a decrease in the level of loans and an increased level of nonperforming loans. At Sept. 30, 1990, nonperforming loans amounted to $10.8 million compared to $5.3 million at Sept. 30, 1989 and $10.8 million at June 30, 1990. For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net interest income was $1,719,000 versus $1,630,000 in 1989.

Other operating income, excluding write-downs of other real estate owned, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $559,000 compared with $595,000 reported in 1989. The decline in income is attributed to a decreased level of loan originations and subsequent sales of loans in the secondary market.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 operating expenses were $4,161,000 versus $3,791,000 reported for 1989. The increase in costs is attributed to expenses related to other real estate owned and professional fees paid related

to the bank's previously announced merger with Waltham Savings Bank.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $210.8 million versus $222.6 million at Dec. 31, 1989. As of Sept. 30, 1990 total loans amounted to $154.9 million and total deposits were $174.2 million compared with $170.0 million and $184.6 million at Dec. 31, 1989, respectively. Total nonperforming assets amounted to $13.8 million and represented 6.6 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1990. The comparable amounts at Dec. 31, 1989 were $11.1 million and 5.0 percent, respectively. Book value per share at Sept. 30, 1990 was $14.39 versus $15.03 per share at Dec. 31, 1989.

Lexington Savings Bank is an FDIC/DIFM insured, full service financial institution servicing the suburban Boston metropolitan area.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Andersen Consulting announced fiscal year 1990 worldwide revenues of $1.88 billion, a 30 percent increase from fiscal 1989 revenues of $1.44 billion.

Andersen Consulting's fiscal year ended Aug. 31.

George T. Shaheen, managing partner and chief executive officer of the Chicago-based information technology consulting organization, said, ''The marketplace is adopting what Andersen Consulting has embraced for years -- that technology is critical to a company's success.''

The announcement was made at Andersen Consulting's annual worldwide partners meeting in San Francisco last week, held in conjunction with the annual partners meeting of the Arthur Andersen Worldwide Organization.

In discussing the organization's performance, Shaheen said the 30 percent increase was consistent with annual increases from previous fiscal years. He said Andersen Consulting's revenues have more than doubled since fiscal 1987 and are 10 times the size of fiscal 1980 revenues.

Shaheen attributed growth to strong demand for Andersen Consulting's service lines - integration services (which includes computer systems integration and systems management), strategic services and change management services.

''It is significant that all our service lines grew despite current economic uncertainty,'' Shaheen said. He added that growth has been shared across Andersen Consulting's worldwide regions - the Americas, Europe/Africa/Middle East and Asia Pacific.

Other growth indicators included climbing numbers of professionals - from 3,000 in 1980, to 10,000 in 1987 and to more than 20,000 in 1990. ''Few competitors can match this growing force of professionals - either in terms of quality or simply in sheer numbers,'' he said.

Andersen Consulting's worldwide client base has access to more than 20,000 highly trained professionals serving clients through 157 offices in 45 countries. Andersen Consulting is a business unit of the Arthur Andersen Worldwide Organization.

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CORAL GABLES, FLA. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The Wackenhut Corp. (NYSE:WAK) has closed on $25 million in senior unsecured notes, at an interest rate of 10.2 percent.

According to the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the corporation, George R. Wackenhut, the proceeds of the notes will be used to reduce the corporation's present bank debt. The loan agreement, completed on Oct. 23, was arranged by Dillon, Read and Co. of New York and was placed with two insurance companies.

The notes are due Sept. 30, 2000, and are subject to principal payments of $5 million per year, beginning Sept. 30, 1996.

The Wackenhut Corp. is one of the world's largest providers of security and investigative services and has expanded in the past few years to the management and operation of jails, prisons, correctional centers and other government facilities.

According to Wackenhut, the corporation plans to continue the focused diversification of its service offerings to business, industry and government clients.

Founded in 1954 by its present chairman of the board, The Wackenhut Corp. now operates in over 125 U.S. locations and in over 40 countries on six continents.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Loral Corp. (NYSE:LOR) reported that its net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 rose to $20.9 million, compared with the $19.8 million recorded in the same time period last year.

Primary earnings per share for the quarter were 83 cents, up from the 79 cents earned in the comparable period last year.

Sales for the quarter were $357 million compared with the $296 million in the second quarter last year. Bookings were $318 million, a decrease from the $654 million booked in the comparable period last year which had included a $325 million booking to equip Turkisk F-16s with Loral's ALQ-178 electronic countermeasures system.

Results of the Ford Aerospace Corp., whose acquisition was completed earlier Wednesday, are not included in the quarter.

''Bookings, sales and income were all on target with our expectations. We continue to be on track for the year, not counting the additional contribution Ford Aerospace Corporation will make to our earnings in the second half,'' said Bernard L. Schwartz, chairman and chief executive officer.

Loral won two significant training programs during the quarter. In July, Loral won a next generation program with the U.S. Air Force to develop, operate and support aircrew training systems for the Special Operations Forces.

Loral booked $44 million of the initial $71.5 million contract in the current quarter; the balance will be booked in the second half. The company expects the total value to exceed $1.5 billion over 15 years. The program, which Loral believes is the most comprehensive and complex training and mission rehearsal effort ever undertaken, will include Loral-developed weapon system trainers, mission rehearsal devices, computer-based instruction, other course material and the conduct of all training.

In laser-based training, Loral received a $51.5 million production contract for an advanced air and ground engagement system known as AGES II, for the U.S. Army. AGES II is a MILES-based state-of-the-art simulation system that will train air and ground forces with infrared laser ranging and the high-fidelity replication of aircraft vulnerability.

Also in July, Loral won a $92.5 million contract to provide sonar systems and fire control electronics to be used aboard Israel's Dolphin-class submarines. The company booked initial funding of $3 million in the quarter and expects to book the balance, $89.5 million,
in the second half of this fiscal year. This is the second international sonar program the company has won in the last year.

Earlier today, the company completed its acquisition of Ford Aerospace Corp. for $715 million. Simultaneously Ford's BDM operations were sold to the

Carlyle Group for $105 million in cash and $25 million in notes, part of which are conditioned on future events.

Earlier this week, Loral announced Memoranda of Understanding to sell 49 percent of Space Systems/Loral, the commercial communication and weather satellite business it acquired as part of Ford Aerospace, to three major European companies for $182 million.

Loral expects that the combined resources of the partners in research and development, marketing and production will open up significant new international business opportunites in this burgeoning marketplace. Definitive agreements are expected by year end.

Loral intends to run the combined Loral and Ford Aerospace, including Space Systems/Loral, as an integrated operation.

For the six months, Loral's net income was $38.7 million, or $1.54 per share, up from the $36.4 million from continuing operations, or $1.44 per share, earned a year ago. Bookings for the first half were $568 million, compared wtih $813 million and sales were $675 million, compared with $528 million. Ending backlog was $2.0 billion, essentially unchanged from the prior year.

Loral Corp. is a high technology company serving the defense electronics and space communications markets.

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ROSEMONT, IL (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The Middleby Corp. (AMEX: MBY), a manufacturer of foodservice equipment, Wednesday reported that sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 29, increased 10 percent over the prior year's 13-week period.

However, because the earlier year only includes results from 11 weeks of operations which were acquired in 1989, sales on a comparable basis were essentially flat and reflect the continuing softness of the restaurant and food service industries.

Sales for the three months ended Sept. 29, were $26,436,000 compared to $23,937,000 in the same 1989 quarter. The prior year quarter is the first which includes for most of the quarter results of the Foodservice Equipment Group of Hussmann Corp. which was acquired on July 14, 1989. Net earnings for the period amounted to a loss of $465,000, or $0.06 per share, compared to a loss of $47,000, or $0.01 per share, a year earlier.

The Middleby Corp. (AMEX: MBY) designs, develops, manufactures and markets a broad line of equipment used for the preparation, cooking, refrigeration, serving and storage of food in commercial and institutional kitchens and restaurants throughout the world.

An industry leader in high-speed cooking ovens, the company expanded its product lines in 1989 through the acquisition of four companies with well-known industry brand names -- Southbend (heavy-duty cooking equipment), Toastmaster (cooking and warming equipment), Victory (refrigeration) and Seco (holding and serving systems). The expansion moved Middleby from being a single line manufacturer with sales of $35 million to a diversified manufacturer with annualized sales of over $100 million.

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by
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OCONOMOWOC, WS (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Stokely USA Inc. confirmed a decline in sales and earnings for the second quarter ended Sept. 30.

Net earnings were $1,463,000 (18 cents per share) compared to $3,151,000 (38 cents per share) in the year-ago period. Net sales for the quarter were $52,845,000 vs. $59,992,000 last year. The company attributed the decline to lower selling prices.

''We announced in mid-September that selling prices for our principal products were lower and that, as a result, sales and earnings for the quarter would decline,'' stated Chariman Joseph B. Weix. ''Selling prices for our canned products are approximately 15 percent below year-ago levels due to market perception of an overabundance of processed vegetables. Our view is that supplies are not burdensome. When export demand is taken into account, product available for domestic consumption may prove to be less than adequate, resulting in some price improvement during the third and fourth quarters.

''Sales volume has recently increased substantially, indicating that the market has reached an equilibrium and further price declines are unlikely. However, the increased volume occurred too late in September to impact the second quarter favorably. Our second half results will not reach last year's levels, but we project an improving trend.''

Financial Highlights
(unaudited)
(In thousands except per share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Six Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 52,845	$ 59,992	$100,366	$ 94,620
Net earnings	1,463	3,151	3,321	5,006
Avg. shares outstanding	8,289,874	8,258,733	8,287,089	8,249,502
Net earnings per share	18 cents	38 cents	40 cents	61 cents

Stokely USA processes and markets a broad range of canned and frozen vegetables, fruits, tomato products and juices under the nationally recognized Stokely's Finest, Stokely's Singles and other brand labels; under customer private labels; and to the food service industry. Headquartered in Oconomowoc Stokely operates eighteen processing facilities in the Midwest, Pacific Northwest and Mexico.

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Stephen W. Theobald, 414/567-1731.

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Cadmus Communications Corp. (NASDAQ: CDMS) reports increased sales and earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for first quarter fiscal 1991 was $848,000, up 19.4 percent from first quarter 1990 net income of $710,000. Sales for the quarter were $41,351,000, up 7.5 percent over first quarter 1990 sales of $38,484,000.

The company attributed the increase to improvement in promotional printing and direct marketing operations.

Net income per share for the quarter was 14 cents on average outstanding shares of 6,063,000, compared to 12 cents per share on average outstanding shares of 6,055,000 for the first fiscal quarter of last year.

Chairman Wallace Stettinius said, ''Soft market conditions continue, yet we have been able to achieve volume gains through aggressive marketing efforts, but with some decline in margins in several of our companies.''

Headquartered in Richmond, Cadmus is a graphic communications holding company specializing in publication production services, promotional and financial printing, point-of- purchase advertising and direct marketing.

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David E. Bosher, 804/287-5685

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MUSKEGON, MI (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of SPX Corp. Wednesday authorized a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per common share, payable Dec. 10 to shareholders of record on Nov. 23.

SPX Corp., a Fortune 500 Company, is a world leader in the production and distribution of specialty repair tools and equipment and repair parts to the motor vehicle service industry.

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John Tyson, 616/724-5406

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MOBILE, Ala. (OCT.24) BUSINESS WIRE - QMS Inc. (NYSE: AQM) Wednesday reported that its year end revenues and earnings reached the highest level in the company's history.

Net sales for the fiscal year ended Sept. 28 were $276,250,000, an increase of 28 percent over sales of $215,817,000 in fiscal year 1989. Net income for the year was $14,554,000, or $1.33 per share, an increase of almost 63 percent over the fiscal year 1989 earnings level of $8,936,000 or 80 cents per share. Fiscal year 1989 earnings included $753,000 or 7 cents per share in extraordinary income resulting from utilization of a portion of IMAGEN Corp.'s net operating loss carryforwards.

The company also reported record fourth quarter sales of $74,624,000, an increase of 22 percent over sales of $61,155,000 for the same quarter in fiscal year 1989. Net income for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 was $3,887,000, or 36 cents per share, compared with $3,462,000 or 31 cents per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1989.

James L. Busby, QMS president and chief executive officer, attributed this year's strong performance to a combination of factors including increased revenues from major distribution channels, higher overall gross margins, and continuing operating expense controls. QMS U.S. direct channel revenues increased almost 47 percent over fiscal year 1989 levels. Revenues from the company's European operations increased nearly 18 percent year to year. Canadian business grew by nearly 40 percent, and QMS dealer channel revenue increased nearly 6 percent over its 1989 level. Overall, gross margin dollars increased 37 percent from fiscal year 1989 levels.

''We are very pleased with the balance among our various channels reflected in this year's results, and with the improvement we are seeing in gross margings

'' commented Busby. ''At the same time margins and revenues were increasing, our operating expenses as a percentage of sales remained almost flat. We are carefully and successfully monitoring and managing inventories and receivables. As a result, while sales increased 28 percent, increases in these key areas were only 8.8 percent and 21.1 percent, respectively. Our shareholders' equity increased well over 10 million dollars in these 12 months.

''We are also continuing to refine our distribution strategies, expand our service and support capabilities, and manage our operating expenses. We expect these efforts to result in continued success for QMS in fiscal year 1991.''

QMS Inc. is a leader in the rapidly expanding nonimpact print systems market and is a major producer of enhancement products for impact printers. The company offers a wide selection of laser and thermal transfer printers of electronic publishing, office automation, advanced imaging and automatic identification applications.

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WALTHAM, MA (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - IPL Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: IPLSA) Wednesday announced revenues of $6,557,000 for the third quarter of 1990, an increase of 71 percent compared to revenue of $3,843,000 for the same period last year.

Net income was $1,405,000, an increase of 147 percent compared to $569,000 reported for the third quarter last year. Earnings per share for the quarter were 27 cents compared to 11 cents for the third quarter 1989.

''Our growth this quarter was strong when compared to the same period last year,'' said IPL's president and chief executive officer, Robert W. Norton. ''Although domestic sales did not meet the levels of the second quarter, we anticipate that recent developments, including the announcement of the 7636 Disk Array product, will give us greater opportunities to seek to improve domestic distribution and sales in 1991 of our expanded product line. The disk product components are not available from our supplier in quantities that permit immediate volume delivery of the product. We expect to have sufficient component supplies to begin such deliveries in the first quarter of 1991 and we are optimistic about the contribution this product can make to our growth plans.''

IPL Systems Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol: IPLSA) designs, manufactures, markets and services a broad range of DASD and tape subsystems, plus memory upgrades for IBM midrange computers. The company was founded in 1973.

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IPL Systems Inc.
Comparative Financial Results

	Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$6,557,000	$3,843,000
Net income	1,405,000	569,000
Earnings per share	0.27	0.11
Common shares used in calculation of primary earnings per share	5,199,552	5,150,054

	Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$18,351,000	$9,308,000
Net income	3,597,000	1,270,000
Earnings per share	0.69	0.25
Common shares used in calculation of primary earnings per share	5,200,475	5,134,883

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WESTFIELD, Mass. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Stanhome Inc. (NYSE:STH) announced Wednesday that 1990 third quarter and year-to-date results achieved new highs.

Third quarter sales increased 16 percent to $155,347,000, operating profit increased 14 percent to $18,497,000, net income increased 19 percent to $10,353,000 and earnings per share fully diluted increased 19 percent to 51 cents compared to 43 cents per share in 1989.

For the first nine months, sales increased 20 percent to $469,923,000, operating profit increased 12 percent to $55,276,000, net income increased 18 percent to $32,397,000 and earnings per share fully diluted increased 18 percent to $1.61 compared to $1.37 per share in 1989. Year-to-date other income this year benefited from gains on the sale of assets which amounted to 3 cents per share.

This year's results include the operations of the Hamilton Group Limited Inc., which was purchased in May 1989. In 1989, Hamilton's results were included starting in May. For the first nine months of 1990, Hamilton's sales amounted to 13 percent of total sales compared to 8 percent in 1989 and operating

profit improved.

Sales and operating profit for the Enesco worldwide giftware group increased for the quarter and year-to-date, with year-to-date sales and operating profit up 14 percent. Worldwide direct selling sales and operating profit also increased for the quarter and year-to-date, with year-to-date sales up 12 percent and operating profit up 3 percent.

Year-to-date European direct selling results increased and benefited from favorable translation rates this year compared to 1989. Year-to-date U.S. direct selling sales and operating results decreased, while Latin American sales and operating profit increased. The company also announced that the board of directors has approved an increase in the company's share repurchase program to 2 million shares. The purchased shares may be used for employee benefit plans and general corporate purposes. The purchases may be made from time to time, in the open market or in private transactions, depending on market and business conditions.

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BROOKLYN, NY (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Brooklyn Union Gas Wednesday announces its financial results for this fiscal year ended Sept. 30.

Elwin S. Larson, chairman and chief executive officer, said fiscal 1990 was ''an excellent year in most respects.'' However, a write-down by a subsidiary reduced consolidated earnings to $2.14 per share compared to last year's record of $2.52 per share. Without this write-down of 29 cents per share, consolidated earnings would have been $2.43 per share.

In fiscal 1990, utility operations once again performed well, contributing $2.37 per share to consolidated earnings as compared to $2.42 last year. For a record 12th consecutive year, the company has earned the rate of return allowed by the New York State Public Service Commission.

This year utility operations achieved a return on equity of 13.2 percent, which far exceeded the allowed rate of return of 12.1 percent. The company's last rate settlement required a sharing of any excess earnings equally with customers and the company provided for a $4 million refund.

As a result, the adjusted return on equity was 12.7 percent which compares favorably to the rate of return of 12.9 percent achieved in fiscal 1989.

Firm sales normalized for weather increased approximately 3 percent this year, a growth rate exceeding the national average for gas utilities for the third

consecutive year. The company sees substantial growth in both traditional markets, spurred by oil-to-gas conversions, and in new markets related to gas applications for congeneration and as an alternate fuel for fleet vehicles.

The write-down, noted above, was a non-cash impairment charge of 29 cents per share related to the methane-recovery plant, jointly owned by Methane Development Corp., and a third party. The plant produces gas from garbage at New York City's landfill at Fresh Kills Staten Island.

The operating and economic environment has changed significantly since the plant went on line in 1982, and operating performance reflected the difficulties of reclaiming gas from a landfill being used as an active garbage-disposal site. As reported in the third quarter, the plant had been shut down since March 1990 pending the results of an operating review.

It resumed production in September, however, unnecessarily strict operating requirements have severely limited gas production. As a result, expected revenues will not recover the remaining investment in the plant and the company recognized the financial impairment at this time. While the company pursues options for improving operating conditions, the plant will continue gas production, though at reduced levels. It can provide unique environmental benefits by reclaiming gas that otherwise would escape into the atomsphere.

The company believes the strategies of its other subsidiaries remain sound as their value increased in 1990. These subsidiaries contributed 6 cents per share to consolidated earnings per share in 1990 compared to 10 cents per share last year. BU's gas-exploration and production subsidiary has a major field (Matagorda Island) in production, increased its reserves to 75 billion cubic feet, over 20 percent in 1990, and acquired attractive acreage in and along the Gulf of Mexico.

Its propane subsidiary continued its acquisition and consolidation program, increased its cash flow by 35 percent and is well-positioned for earnings growth. Propane companies are valued on the basis of cash-flow multiples and the increase realized in 1990 has brought meaningful added value.

The company's cogeneration subsidiary, capitalizing on the success of the 50-megawatt Grumman cogeneration project on Long Island, is making arrangements, for participation in similar porjects in the metropolitan New York area.

There are opportunities for cogeneration in the Northeast, where the need for additional electric generating capacity is critical. The Iroquois pipeline continues to progress and the FERC certificate order is expected next month which would allow for construction in 1991.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Petroleum Corp. (NASDAQ:AIPN) Wednesday announced that it has entered into an agreement with an undisclosed refiner to lease its 30,000 barrels/day Lake Charles, La., refinery beginning Nov. 1, 1990, for an initial period of 17 months, extendable to 29 months, at the option of the lessee.

Monthly lease payments will be made to the company based upon the refinery's actual processing rate between Nov. 1, 1990, and March 15, 1991, with a guaranteed minimum processing rate of 18,000 barrels per day after March 15, 1991. In addition the agreement provides for an advance payment of $100,000 by the lessee against future processing fees.

The lessee has the option to terminate the lease agreement at any time prior to Feb. 15, 1991, should it find the refinery not suitable for its purposes. The name of the lessee and the other terms of the lease were not disclosed at the request of the lessee.

The company noted that with crude oil prices at $30 per barrel, the minimum processing requirements under the agreement would be about $200 million provided the lessee fulfilled its obligations under the initial term of the lease agreement. The company also stated that its profitability would be materially increased in such an event.

American International Petroleum Corp. is engaged in refining, oil and natural gas production, transportation, exploration and marketing activities in Louisiana and Kentucky as well as Colombia, South America.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Westvaco Corp., a major manufacturer of paper, packaging and chemicals, made a series of announcements Wednesday regarding organization of the company's management.

John A. Luke Sr., president and chief executive officer, who will reach age 65 at the end of November, has been asked by the Westvaco board of directors to remain in his present responsibility until sometime in 1992, at which time he expects to retire as an officer of the company. David L. Luke III will remain as chairman of the board.

Yesterday, the board elected John A. Luke Jr. executive vice president. He will turn over his responsibilities for all of the company's activities outside the United States, including Westvaco Worldwide and Rigesa, Ltda., the company's Brazilian subsidiary, to R. Scott Wallinger after an orderly transition to be worked out in the next few months.

John Luke, Jr. will then work closely with the company's chief executive officer on the affairs of all of the major operating units of the company.

Scott Wallinger, senior vice president of the company, will relocate to New York from South Carolina. He will retain supervisory responsibility for all of Westvaco's timberland activities and for Westvaco Development Corp.

He will give up superivsory responsibility for the company's Chemical Division in order to permit him to take on responsibility for Westvaco's activities outside the United States.

William D. Major, manager of the Chemical Division, has been elected a vice president of the company. He will retain his responsibilities for the Chemical Division and will report directly to the chief executive officer.

Rudolph G. Johnstone, vice president, has been elected a senior vice president and will assume responsibility for the company's Envelope Division. Charles E. Hill, vice president and manager of the Envelope Division, will report to Johnstone until Hill's retirement in the summer of 1991. Johnstone will give up his present responsibility for the company's Container Division and will report directly to the chief executive officer.

Gilbert M. Gillespie has been appointed manager of the Container Division and elected a vice president of the company. Previously, he was Eastern region manager of the Container Division. Gillespie will report to Brantley D. Thomas, senior vice president and manager of Westvaco's Kraft Division.

The following members of the Westvaco organization, whose job content will remain the same, will have new titles to reflect their important new roles in marketing or manufacturing the company's differentiated products.

Donald L. Clem, sales and marketing manager, Fine Papers Division, has been elected a vice president.

Dudley L. Hager III, sales and marketing manager, Bleached Board Division, has been elected a vice president.

David H. Hartley, manager of the Wickliffe, Ky., mill of the Fine Papers Division, has been elected a vice president.

James L. Martin, manager of Westvaco Worldwide, has been elected a vice president of Westvaco.

James M. McSherry, sales and marketing manager, Kraft Division, has been elected a vice president.

William R. Small, manager of the Covington, Va., mill of the Bleached Board Division, has been elected a vice president.

Harry K. Williams, general manager, Bleached Board Converting Division, has been elected a vice president.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Stewart Information Services Corp. (NASDAQ:SISC) earned $1.2 million, or 29 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1990, compared to $1.4 million, or 33 cents in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, Stewart earned $0.5 million, or 12 cents per share, compared to a loss of $1.4 million, or 35 cents per share, for the same period last year. Last year's results included a second quarter after-tax gain of $1.1 million on the sale of municipal bonds.

Orders have been in a downward trend, although they increased slightly (less than 1 percent) in the third quarter of 1990 over the same period a year ago. Orders were down 9 percent for the first 15 working days in October.

Although real estate activity in several of the company's markets is improving the overall outlook for real estate, as seen by most economists, is for a downturn for the rest of this year and 1991. The crisis in Kuwait, the decline in consumer confidence, increasing inflation and the tightening of real estate loans are clouds on the future.

The company believes it will be profitable for the current year and for next year. However, the company may not earn sufficient profits to pay its dividends at the current rate, while at the same time reinvesting the funds necessary for future growth.

Stewart's primary business is title insurance. The company issues policies on homes and other real property in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Canada through over 2,650 issuing locations. In issuing a policy, and as one process, the title is first searched, examined and then closed.

Stewart's customers include homebuyers and sellers, attorneys, builders, developers, lenders and real estate brokers. The company also sells computer-related services and information to the real estate industry.

Additionally, the company produces photogrammetric engineering products and geographic information systems for government and private entities, both domestic and foreign.

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WATERBURY, CT (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - MacDermid Inc. of Waterbury, manufacturers of specialty chemicals for the electronics and metal finishing industries, reported total sales of $37,901,000 for its second quarter ended Sept. 30, an increase of $737,000 over the same period last year.

Earnings for the quarter of $1,614,000, 45 cents/share, were up 47 percent from last year's $1.1 million, 31 cents/share.

For the six months, total sales of $76,282,000 were up $1,428,000 providing net earnings of $3,418,000, 96 cents/share, up 75 percent from last year's $1,952,000, 55 cents/share.

Net earnings improvement for both the quarter and six months ended Sept. 30 were principally the result of cost reductions begun during the previous fiscal year. Additionally, interest expense was reduced because of lower borrowings during the current period and foreign exchange losses were down reflecting recent weakness in the U.S. dollar.

During each of the June and September quarters of 1990, one-time profits on exchange of business and transfer of a license agreement were offset by write-off of certain intangible assets and recognition of costs associated with closing a small manufacturing plant resulting in essentially no net effect upon earnings.

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BRISTOL, CT (OCT. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Frank J. Pascale, chairman and chief executive officer of Eagle Financial Corp. (ASE:EAG), Wednesday announced 1990 fourth-quarter earnings of $1,039,000, or 39 cents per share, compared to $832,000, or 31 cents per share, for the last quarter of fiscal year 1989, a 24.9 percent increase.

Contributing to this jump was a 15.4 percent increase in net interest income

to $3,801,000 for the current quarter.

For the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $3,533,000, or $1.31 per share, compared to $3,466,000, or $1.29 per share, in the prior year. Net interest income for fiscal 1990 was $14,813,000, an increase of 13.5 percent over the $13,051,000 reported in 1989.

Pascale, in making the announcement, commented, ''Improvement in our core earnings during 1990 more than offset $419,000 in expenses relating to the termination of a proposed merger this year with Webster Financial Corp. Net income this year would have been just under $3.8 million, or $1.41 per share, without the merger costs.

''By operating within our long-range business plan stressing residential mortgage lending and focusing on recurring earnings as our primary source of revenues, Eagle has been able to maintain consistent income throughout this year.''

At Sept. 30, Eagle has total non-performing loans of $3.7 million. Non-performing assets, which include non-performing loans and real estate acquired in foreclosure, totaled $4.4 million, or .91 percent of total assets, at year end.

Ralph T. Linsley, vice chairman and president of Eagle, commented, ''Although our non-performing loans to total loans ratio remains low and well below industry averages, the level of real estate problems in our area is a continuing concern. In response, we added $100,000 to our allowance for loan losses in the fourth quarter and $281,000 during the year.

''While we believe that our current loan loss reserves are adequate, we will continue to carefully monitor reserve levels during this period of economic uncertainty in our region.''

In July 1990, Eagle announced its intention to repurchase up to 10 percent of its outstanding stock from time to time over the next 12 months in the open market and unsollicited negotiated transactions.

Also in July 1990, Eagle declared a regular, quarterly cash dividend of 13 cents per share, its 14th consecutive quarterly dividend.

Eagle Financial Corp. is a $480 million holding company for Bristol Federal Savings Bank of Bristol, Conn., and First Federal Savings of Torrington, Conn. At year end, Eagle had total capital of $48.9 million, or 10.17 percent of total assets. Eagle presently has 2,666,035 shares of common stock outstanding.

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PRINCETON, NJ (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Church & Dwight Co., Inc. (NYSE: CHD) Wednesday announced earnings for the first nine months of 1990. The company reported net income of $18.2 million, or $.84 per share, compared to $11.3 million, or $.55 per share, during the prior period. Earnings per share for both years were affected by divestiture activity, which benefited 1990 by $.05 per share and reduced 1989 by $.09.

In the third quarter, despite significantly higher promotional expenses behind new product introductions, earnings of $.33 per share were equal to record earnings in the comparable quarter of 1989.

Dwight C. Minton, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, commented, ''This excellent performance for the nine months was the result of the continued strength in the core businesses, led by the tremendous success of ARM & HAMMER DENTAL CARE(R), margin improvement resulting from price increases and the sale of businesses which had been diluting margins.''

Church & Dwight Co., Inc. is the manufacturer of ARM & HAMMER(R) consumer and industrial products.

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INGLEWOOD, CALIF. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises Inc. and Hollywood Park Operating Co. (NASDAQ:HTRFZ) Wednesday jointly announced that their annual meetings for shareholders will be held Jan. 28, 1991.

The meetings will be held at Hollywood Park Race Track in Inglewood at 9 a.m. local time.

Pursuant to the companies' by-laws, any stockholder seeking to submit proposals or nominations for directors for consideration at either meeting must provide notice in writing to the secretary of the relevant corporation no later than Oct. 31.

The information required to be provided in such notice is contained in the corporations' by-laws, copies of which can be obtained from the corporate secretary.

The companies noted that their second quarter earnings marked a significant

financial turnaround. For the second quarter ending June 30, net income for both companies increased 87 percent to $6,158,000 from $3,282,000 for the same period a year ago.

In addition, the companies restored dividends this year, paying a third quarter dividend of 12.5 cents per share and announcing a fourth quarter dividend of 15 cents.

The companies attributed their financial turnaround to increased efficiences in on-track operations, strong simulcast revenues and a greatly reduced debt load.

To continue to maximize revenues for shareholders, the companies are pursuing expansion of the Southern California Off-Track Wagering network, more Friday night racing, and a development plan for excess acreage in Inglewood.

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WESTBOROUGH, MASS. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - New England Power Co. (NEP) Wednesday filed a settlement agreement with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) that would reduce NEP's currently effective rates by $5.4 million annually.

If approved by FERC, this agreement would reduce, from $31.1 million to $25.7 million, a rate increase NEP is currently collecting subjet to refund. The rate increase recovers costs associated with the entry into service of the Seabrook nuclear generating unit. NEP is the wholly owned wholesale electric generation and transmission subsidiary of New England Electric System (NEES) and owns approximately 10 percent of the Seabrook power plant.

The settlement resolves all issues associated with NEP's investment in the Seabrook unit since Jan. 1, 1988. NEP's investment in the unit before Jan. 1 1988, was the subject of a prior settlement agreement. The principal element of the settlement agreement filed today is the removal of approximately $4 million of estimated purchase power expense from the filed rate.

To the extent that this expense is incurred, it will be recovered through a rate mechanism established in the settlement of NEP's last rate case. The settlement agreement also makes adjustments in certain estimated operating expenses for the unit.

If FERC approves the settlement, NEP will decrease the rates it began charging subject to refund, on June 30, 1990, when Seabrook entered commercial operation. Amounts collected in excess of the settled rate level will be

credited to customers with interest. The settlement would decrease the bill of a typical residential customer who uses 500 kilowatthours of electricity by approximately 13 cents per month.

NEP filed another rate case on Aug. 1, 1990, which is still pending before FERC. On Sept. 28, 1990, FERC issued an order in that case allowing a base rate increase of $72.7 million to become effective, subject to refund, on Jan. 1, 1991, the beginning of the test year on which the rates are based.

The FERC order also allows for additional rate increases to become effective, subject to refund, upon commercial operation of two new power sources that are not yet in service. Specifically, NEP is allowed to increase rates by $21.9 million annually for the second phase of the New England/Hydro-Quebec DC Interconnection, and by $17.4 million annually for Unit 1 of Ocean State Power the natural gas-fired project under construction in Burrillville, R.I.

New England Electric System (NEES) is a public utility holding company headquartered in Westborough.

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DALLAS (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - A. H. Belo Corp., the Dallas-based media company, reported Wednesday that its board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of 13 cents for each outstanding share of Series A stock and Series B stock to be paid Dec. 7 to shareholders of record Nov. 9.

Belo owns The Dallas Morning News and Dallas-Fort Worth Suburban Newspapers, Inc., publisher of seven community newspapers in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. In addition, Belo owns and operates network-affiliated television stations WFAA-TV (ABC) in Dallas-Fort Worth; KHOU-TV (CBS) in Houston; KXTV (CBS) in Sacramento, Calif.; WVEC-TV (ABC) in Hampton-Norfolk, Va. and KOTV (CBS) in Tulsa, Okla.

Shares of Belo Series A Common Stock are traded on the New York Stock Exchange symbol BLC.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Cable & Wireless Communications Inc. (NYSE:CWP) (CWCI), one of the nation's largest business-to-business telecommunications providers, will automate its extensive circuit design functions with TecNet/Design, a new circuit provisioning system launched by CBIS (NYSE:CSN) earlier this year.

CWCI, which is the only American company other than AT&T to design its own network architecture and switching technology, was designing an in-house circuit provisioning system when CBIS asked the firm to serve as the TecNet/Design Beta site. CWCI accepted the offer as a cost-effective alternative and was first in line to purchase the system when it was formally introduced.

''CBIS's TecNet/Design will help to integrate our corporatewide needs for circuit provisioning,'' said Jim Burdge, CWCI vice president for information systems. ''The resulting cost savings will more than pay for the system.''

''Cable & Wireless is an ideal first customer for the TecNet/Design product,'' said Jim Johnston, senior vice president for telecommunications information systems at CBIS.

''CWCI, the nation's largest long-distance company which exclusively serves businesses, is a well-respected member of the telecommunications industry. CWCI's confidence in TecNet/Design sends a strong signal to other potential customers that our product has the capabilities that will be critical for telecommunications companies hoping to compete in the 1990s. We see it as a very strategic sale.''

TecNet/Design is an automated circuit design system that aids in determining optimum circuit routes and automatically assigns facilities and equipment. The system allows users to customize design rules and variables that are unique to the company and its network.

Developed using CASE tool technology and relational data base design, TecNet/Design takes full advantage of high-performance graphic workstations to enable users to provision circuits at the touch of a button, a capability that is quickly becoming essential to keep pace with the explosive growth in network circuits.

CBIS, a subsidiary of Cincinnati Bell Inc., is a worldwide information services company that develops management sytems for telecommunications, government and financial entities.

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JOHNSON CITY, Tenn. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Vance W. Cheek, chairman and chief executive officer of Home Financial Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:HFET), Wednesday announced the resignation of W. Kyle Huddle from the company's board of directors and the boards of directors of its subsidiaries, including Home Federal Savings and Loan Association of Upper East Tennessee, effective Oct. 16, 1990.

Huddle, a prominent Kingsport, Tenn., businessman, was first elected a director of Home Federal in 1960.

Commenting on Huddle's decision to resign, Cheek said, ''Mr. Huddle has served this company with great distinction and commitment during his tenure as a director. His informed judgement and broad business experience has been a valuable resource to us during a period when Home Financial grew to be a leading financial institution in the state. We will certainly miss his counsel, support and loyal commitment.''

Home Financial Corp. is a holding company for Home Federal Savings and Loan Association of Upper East Tennessee, which is the leading financial institution headquartered in the region. Federally chartered in 1934, the association operates 19 offices strategically located throughout the area.

Home Financial's common shares trade on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol HFET.

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PLAINFIELD, IND. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - PSI Resources Inc. (NYSE:PIN) Wednesday announced a decline in operating income of over 16 percent for the 12 months ended Sept. 30 compared to the like period last year.

The decrease is attributable to the effects of a phased-in 13.2 percent retail rate reduction ordered by the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission in 1988 and another 4.3 percent reduction in April 1990. Nevertheless, earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30 were 61 cents per share of common stock, up 7 cents from the third quarter of 1989.

''This increase is a result of our being able to take advantage of lower interest rates last year to restructure our capitalization,'' said J. Wayne Leonard, PSI's chief financial officer. ''The benefits of reduced interest and preferred dividend costs have helped offset the effect on earnings of the rate reductions.''

Earnings for the 12 months ended Sept. 30 were up 14.1 percent, from $1.85 per

share a year ago to $2.11 due primarily to a charge in December 1988 for reserves to cover the anticipated cost of the tentative settlement of a lawsuit by Wabash Valley Power Association. The pending suit is related to the canceled Marble Hill nuclear project.

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PLAINFIELD, IN (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors for PSI Resources Inc. (NYSE:PIN) Wednesday named Indianapolis civic and business leader Michael G. Browning and former Indiana Lt. Gov. John M. Mutz as its newest board members.

Browning will start serving immediately on the board to fill the post of Darrell V. Menscer. Menscer retired from the company on Sept. 1 as a PSI Resources board member and as president of the company's main subsidiary, PSI Energy.

Mutz's term on the board will begin Jan. 1, 1991. He will fill the post of Richard B. Stoner, vice chairman emeritus for Cummins Engine Co. in Columbus. A 16-year member of PSI Resources' board, Stoner will retire as a director at the end of the year because of the board's age limitation.

Browning is president of Browning Investments Inc. and serves as general partner of the firm's related real estate ventures. He also serves as a board member of CONSECO INC., INB National Corp. and Emmis Broadcasting.

Browning plays an active role in the central Indiana community and in the development of public-private partnerships. He serves on area community, business, cultural and educational boards and has been actively involved in the emergence of Indianapolis as the Amateur Sports capital of the world.

Mutz is president of the Lilly Endowment, which supports the causes of education, religion and community development. Named to his current post in February 1989, he leads the philanthropic work of the fourth largest private foundation in America.

Before joining the Endowment, Mutz served as Indiana's lieutenant governor from 1980 to 1988. While in office, he was active in state economic development activities which have helped to bring businesses and jobs to Indiana. Before his term as lieutenant governor, Mutz served as a member of the Indiana General Assembly for 13 years.

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LAKE MARY, FLA. (OTC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Maynard, an Archive company, has announced the availability of the 525MB Archive Viper cartridge tape drive for industrial customers.

This quarter-inch drive features 240KB per second transfer rate, 256K RAM buffer, hardware ECC, and a dual tape speed of 90 and 120 inches per second (ips). The unit reads and writes QIC-525, QIC-150, and QIC-120, and it reads QIC-24. It has a 40,000 hour Mean Time Between Failure (MTBF) rate, the industry's highest level of reliability.

The 525MB Viper drive has a SCSI interface and is available as an internal unit (model 2525S) or an external unit (model 2525ES). It has been designed specifically for the rigors of data storage environments and is ideal for servers, workstations, and high-end personal computer applications.

The drive is available through U.S. industrial distributors, including Arrow Electronics, Hamilton/Avnet, and Bell Microproducts. Maynard sells its products through a worldwide network of dealers, distributors and value-added resellers.

Based in Lake Mary, Fla., Maynard is the industry's leading supplier of tape backup systems and offers the most complete selection of 5 1/4-inch and 3 1/2-inch cartridge, cassett, 4mm and 8mm tape drives available for the IBM-compatible PC and PS/2 computers, DEC VAX computers, and Apple Macintosh family of computers.

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ALBANY, N.Y. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Home & City Savings Bank announced that its board of directors had met earlier Wednesday to consider preliminarily the acquisition proposal submitted last week by Rose Associates I L.P.

Home & City said its board of directors has directed the company's advisors to contact representatives of Rose Associates solely for the purpose of obtaining additional information concerning the acquisition proposal.

Home & City said that the Rose Associates' proposal lacked material information necessary for its board to assess carefully the merits of the proposal, including the ability of Rose Associates to obtain financing of the proposal and the prospects for receiving all required regulatory approvals.

Home & City said that its board of directors also needed information with respect to the process by which it would be determined which stockholders would be among the 60 percent that would receive the cash and debt under the Rose proposal and which stockholders would be among the 40 percent that would continue to hold Home & City common stock indirectly by receiving stock of the new company proposed to be formed by Rose Associates to own Home & City.

John J. Brunner, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Home & City Savings Bank, said, ''We are seeking information from Rose Associates in order to better enable the board of directors to understand the Rose Associates' proposal.''

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WINDSOR, CONN. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - ADVO-System Inc. (NASDAQ:ADVO) Wednesday announced record results for its fiscal year ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Net income was $16.4 million or 95 cents per share on a fully diluted basis, compared to $5.3 million or 32 cents per share for the prior year. Operating income in 1990 was $22.5 million, an increase of $15.7 million from a year ago. Revenues of $655.0 million represented a 6.0% increase over the prior year.

For the fourth quarter of 1990, the company reported net income of $5.5 million or 32 cents per share. In the fourth quarter of the prior year, ADVO reported net income of $4.6 million or 27 cents per share. For the fourth quarter, operating income was $7.6 million, a 21.5% increase over the prior year. Revenues for the fourth quarter were $167.1 million vs. $167.6 million last year.

The prior year fourth quarter was comprised of 14 weeks and the total year included 53 weeks. Adjusting for the extra week in fiscal 1989, comparative revenues for the fourth quarter and full year of 1990 were 7.4% and 8.1% higher than 1989.

Robert ''Kam'' Kamerschen, chairman and CEO of ADVO, said ''The fourth quarter of 1990 represents our sixth consecutive quarter of significant improvement over the prior year. It also represents a 3.4% annual operating profit as a

percentage of 1990 net revenues, and a successful conclusion to our year two turnaround goals.

ADVO specializes in targeted direct mail products and services. The company's brands of Shared Mail, Marriage Mail and Mailbox Values, are distributed nationally to over 52 million households weekly. ADVO also processes Solo mailings and offers limited printing and transportation services. It has 20 production facilities and 69 sales offices nationwide. ADVO's Corporate headquarters are located at One Univac Lane, Windsor, Conn., 06095.

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Don McCombs, 203/285-6391

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#90297b0865 10/24/1990 ~Business Wire

DAYTON, OHIO (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Wednesday announced new additions to the NCR 6091 family of stackable data storage systems, including a 525 megabyte quarter-inch tape subsystem and a 600 megabyte CD-ROM subsystem.

About the size of a shoebox, each new subsystem connects to a computer system and offers expanded data storage capacity for workstations and servers. Intended for desk-top or desk-side usage, the 6091 subsystems are available in stackable cabinets using interlocking grooves for stability. The units offer data backup, high-capacity storage, high-speed data retrieval and record archival.

''The key advantage of the NCR 6091 family to our customers is the 'building block' flexibility of the products,'' said Randy Bell, assistant vice president, Product Marketing Division.

''Customers purchase only the devices needed for a specific storage and/or data retrieval need. As data storage requirements grow, more 6091 units can be added to form a space-saving 'stack.'

''As technology changes, the NCR 6091 is designed to bring new technology to the customer. These subsystems use the industry-standard Small Computer System Interface (SCSI), and the result is investment protection for the customer,'' added Bell.

SCSI enables computers to share a common interface with the latest in peripheral-device technology -- such as disks, tapes, printers and scanners -- while protecting existing system hardware and software investments. Up to seven NCR 6091 subsystems can be attached to a computer system through one SCSI interface. NCR played a leadership role in pioneering the development of this interface. NCR 6091 600 Megabyte CD-ROM Subsystem

Using durable, removable, industry-standard optical media, the NCR 6091 CD-ROM

(Compact Disc Read-Only Memory) 600 megabyte subsystem runs pre-recorded optical compact disks. This data storage technology is valuable for users who access directories, government regulations, catalogs, sales records, market surveys and other databases; it is also emerging as a medium for multi-media applications.

NCR Corp., based in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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-30- 2542

#90297b0873 10/24/1990 ~Business Wire

CANTON, MASS. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Bay State Gas Co. (NYSE:BGC) Wednesday announced that net income for fiscal 1990 grew to $20.2 million, a 11.2 percent increase from the $18.2 million earned in fiscal 1989.

Greater preferred dividend requirements reflecting a full year's impact of the issuance of additional preferred shares in 1989, plus an increase in the number of common shares outstanding, resulted in earnings of $1.78 per share for fiscal 1990, compared to $1.81 earned a year ago.

''Despite the sluggish economy in New England, Bay State's natural gas sales volume growth continued to exceed the gas industry average, thanks in large part to the company's success in converting existing homes and businesses to natural gas,'' said Roger A. Young, president.

Total firm gas sales volume increased by 1.6 billion cubic feet, or 3.1 percent, in fiscal 1990 as compared with fiscal 1989. Net gas revenues grew from $113.2 million in fiscal 1989 to $128.2 million for fiscal 1990, or 13.3 percent. Principal reasons for the increase in net revenues were sales volume growth and the impact of a November 1989 rate increase in the company's Massachusetts service area.

''Only 32 percent of homes in our service area currently heat with natural gas '' Young said, ''and the situation in the Persian Gulf has refocused New England on the benefits of natural gas as a method of reducing the region's excessive dependence on foreign oil.

Bay State Gas is the New England region's largest independent natural gas distributor. The company serves more than 260,000 customers in Massachusetts and through its Northern Utilities Inc., subsidiary, in New Hampshire and Maine. The company also operates Granite State Gas Transmission Inc., a wholly owned gas pipeline subsidiary, and is involved in retail sales of

propane and home-improvement products.

CONTACT: Bay State Gas, Canton
David Reichman or Jim Flanagan, 617/828-8650

-30- 2151

#90297b0883 10/24/1990 ~Business Wire

ATLANTA (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Patrick H. Thomas, chairman, president and chief executive officer of First Financial Management Corp. (NYSE:FFM) announced that FFMC's board of directors declared a cash dividend of 5 cents per share, payable on Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 3, 1990.

This declaration follows the company's policy established in 1989 to make semi-annual dividend payments.

Thomas said, ''We are pleased to declare this dividend in line with our policy to provide cash rewards to our loyal shareholders for their consistent support over the years.

''We do, however, continue to emphasize our growth strategy through an aggressive acquisition program as the primary use of our cash resources as well as, at current price levels, the possible repurchase of the company's common stock, pursuant to the company's previous announcement of the authorization to purchase up to $90 million of its common stock.''

FFMC is an information services company which offers a broad range of data processing and related services to a large and diverse customer base. The company provides products and services to financial institutions, retail merchants, governments and other industries.

It is a leader in financial institution processing, data imaging, micrographics, electronic data base services, debt collection, and health and pharmaceutical claims processing and is one of the largest merchant credit card processors in the country.

FFMC also owns Georgia Federal Bank FSB, the largest savings institution and one of the largest retail banks based in Georgia, and its subsidiary, First Family Financial Services, a major regional consumer finance company. Its common stock is currently traded on the NYSE under the symbol FFM. Its debentures are quoted through NASDAQ under the symbol FFMCG

CONTACT: First Financial Management Corp., Atlanta
Patrick H. Thomas or E. D. M. Schachner or
Donald Y. Sharp, 404/321-0120

-30- 2174

#90297b0886 10/24/1990 ~Business Wire

LITTLETON, MA. (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Alliant Computer Systems Corp. (NASDAQ--ALNT) today reported a loss from operations for the 1990 third fiscal quarter of $6.4 million, before additional charges, compared to a net income of $.8 million, or 6 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989 period.

The third quarter 1990 revenues were $14.2 million, compared to third quarter 1989 revenues of $17.2 million.

The company also recorded a charge of $24.8 million in the third quarter of 1990. The charge consisted primarily of a write-down of the goodwill recorded when Alliant acquired its Japanese distributor, Nihon Alliant, plus a provision for surplus and obsolete inventory and uncollectable accounts. Including the added charge items, the net loss was $31.2 million, or $2.34 per share.

For the nine months ended Oct. 1, 1990, the company recorded a net loss of $31.4 million, or $2.38 per share, compared to a net income of $1.3 million, or 10 cents per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Revenues for the nine months ended Oct. 1, 1990 were $55.8 million, compared to $49.9 million for the 1989 period.

''In addition to the charge, we have taken actions which lower our expense levels and we are managing our cash closely,'' said Alliant President Craig Mundie. ''We have lowered the quarterly break-even revenue point to $21-22 million, compared to the previous quarters' $24-25 million.

''The third quarter revenue level reflects the continuing product transition to the company's FX/2800 Family of RISC-based supercomputers,'' Mundie said. Approximately 40 FX/2800 systems have been shipped to date.

''Fourth quarter sales opportunities for this product look promising. A number of software performance enhancements were delivered to customers recently, and more are planned for release this quarter,'' Mundie said. ''Based on the fact that a significant portion of the required enhancements are now demonstrable on customer benchmark tests, we believe bookings will increase in the fourth quarter.''

Alliant Computer Systems Corp. manufactures standards-based parallel supercomputers with visualization tools that enable scientists and engineers to quickly interpret and solve complex problems.

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or
Alliant Computer Systems Corp., Littleton
Donna Raimondi, 508/486-4950

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#90297b0895 10/24/1990 ~Business Wire

TUPELO, MS (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Bancorp of Mississippi Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: BOMS) declared a cash dividend of 23 cents per share payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 14, 1990. This represents a 9.5 percent increase over the 21 cents per share previously paid.

Bancorp of Mississippi previously reported 1990 third quarter earnings of $3.844 million with fully diluted third quarter earnings of 77 cents per share compared with third quarter earnings in 1989 of $3.186 million and 64 cents per share on a fully diluted basis.

The common stock of the company is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol BOMS.

CONTACT: Bancorp of Mississippi Inc., Tupelo, L. Nash Allen Jr., (601) 680-2330, Gary C. Bonds, (601) 680-2332.

-30- 971

#90297b0896 10/24/1990 ~Business Wire

FRAMINGHAM, MA (OCT. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Framingham Savings Bank (NASDAQ:FSBX) announced Wednesday a net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $3,538,000 or 87 cents per share.

For the same period in 1989, the bank reported a net loss of $8,386,000 or $2.05 per share. Operating results for the first nine months of 1990 reflected a loss of $8,388,000 compared to a loss of $8,875,000 for the same period in 1989. Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $515.0 million compared to $573.8 million a year ago at Sept. 30, 1989, representing a decrease of $58.8 million.

The loss for the quarter was attributable to a $1,880,000 provision for loan losses, $1,289,000 foreclosure and loan workout expense, a $508,000 loss on sale of other real estate owned and the lost income on nonperforming assets. During the third quarter of 1990 the bank substantially increased its efforts in loan portfolio review, loan workout, foreclosure auction and other real estate owned management and disposition activities.

Some results of these efforts were a major shift in non-performing assets from non-accruing loans to other real estate owned and the recognition of discretionary non-accruing loans which are technically performing, but considered and accounted for by management as non-accruing. During the quarter, $2.1 million was charged to general loan loss reserves representing writedowns on loans when property was taken by foreclosure or deemed in-substance foreclosed.

Other charge-offs net of recoveries amounted to $114,000. The bank made a provision for loan losses of $1,880,000 in order to restore and maintain reserves at $20.6 million at Sept. 30, 1990. At Sept. 30, 1990, nonperforming assets totaled $71.4 million of which $7.7 million represented discretionary non-accrual loans.

The bank's capital remains within regulatory capital requirements at Sept. 30, 1990 with a ratio of regulatory capital, which includes general loan loss reserves, to average total assets of 8.17 percent.

Operating expenses for the third quarter of 1990 were $4.4 million compared to $3.8 million for the third quarter of 1989. The expense of loan workout and other real estate owned disposition activities amounted to $1.3 million in the third quarter of 1990. Similar expenses were not material during the same quarter of 1989.

During the quarter just ended there were staff reductions of 30 positions in non-workout departments. The bank continues working to consolidate operations and reduce expenses wherever possible, although the bank may add additional resources to workout efforts.

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Robert Y. Fudge, 508/620-0300

-30- 2894

#90297b0908 10/24/1990 ~Business Wire

SHEFFIELD, Ala. (OCT.24) BUSINESS WIRE - Billy Don Anderson, president of Valley Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ/NMS:VAFD) Wednesday announced that the savings bank's board of directors declared a 50 cents per share annual cash dividend on the savings bank's common stock.

The cash dividend will be payable Nov. 9, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Oct. 31, 1990.

Valley Federal Savings Bank is a federally chartered stock savings bank, headquartered in Sheffield, with offices in Tuscumbia, Muscle Shoals and Florence. It is primarily engaged in the business of attracting deposits from the general public and using such deposits, together with other funds, to make real estate and consumer loans.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, Valley Federal had assets of $113,512,000. The common stock of Valley Federal Savings Bank is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol VAFD.

CONTACT: Valley Federal Savings Bank, Sheffield Billy Don Anderson, 205/383-1101

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#90297c0002 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:21 that trade in Ameribanc Investors Group Inc.(NASDAQ: AINVS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 1/2.

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#90297c0003 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:34 that trade in FPL Group (NASDAQ: FPL) has been halted because of the dissemination of news.

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#90297c0004 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:38 that trade in Star States Corp.(NASDAQ: STSS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 1/8. The company is located in Wilmington, DE.

-30- 337
#90297c0005 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in General Metal & Abrasives Co.(NASDAQ: GMET) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 1 3/4, 2 3/4. The company is located in Romulus, MI

-30- 368
#90297c0007 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:57 that trade in BankEast Corp.(NASDAQ: BENH) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 1/4. The company is located in Manchester, NH.

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#90297c0008 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 22:

Neuromedical Technologies Inc. (NMTI)

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#90297c0009 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The following issue will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 24:

Digital Metcom Inc. (DMET) to (DMETD) (1 for 10 reverse split)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 23:

A.B. Holding Group Inc. (AGBG) to Ag-Bag International Ltd. (AGBG)
Nucorp Inc. - BC Paired Wts. 10/30/90 (NUCOL) to BC Paired Wts. 10/31/92 (NUCOL), Ser. C Wts. 6/30/91 (NUCOW) to Ser. C Wts. 6/30/93 (NUCOW)

-30- 589
#90297c0010 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced that trade in FPL Group (NASDAQ: FPL) has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Trading was resumed at 10:00.

-30- 322
#90297c0011 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:25 that trade in Continental Airlines Holdings Inc.(NASDAQ: CTA) has been halted pending the dissemination of news. The company is listed on the AMEX.

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#90297c0012 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:27 that trade in Eastern Airlines Preferred (NASDAQ: EAL) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the AMEX.

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#90297c0013 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:43 that trade in Equitable of Iowa Companies (NASDAQ: EQIC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 15 3/4. The company is located in Des Moines, IA.

-30- 362
#90297c0015 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:49 that trade in General Metal & Abrasives (NASDAQ: GMET) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 2, 3; up 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 365
#90297c0016 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in

Continental Airlines Holdings has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CTA. Trading was resumed at 10:54.

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#90297c0017 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Eastern Airlines Preferred has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol EAL.D. Trading was resumed at 10:55.

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#90297c0018 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Quicksilver Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: QEIC) reported a loss of $844,097, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.58 million for the fiscal year ended May 31 1990.

This compares with net income of $36,281 (including an extraordinary gain of $96,000), at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $4.02 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90297c0019 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 29, 1990, Premier Bankshares Corp.(TICKER: PBKC) acquired Shawsville Bancorp Inc.

The merger was performed pursuant to terms and conditions of a plan of reorganization under which Shawsville was merged with and into Premier.

The stockholders of Shawsville exchanged their shares for the common stock of Premier.

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#90297c0020 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Quicksilver Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: QEIC)

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$951,370	$998,175

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$28,680	$(31,098)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$	
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,517,646	$2,444,991
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$786,870	$1,574,038

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#90297c0021 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Florida Glass Industries Inc.(TICKER: FGLS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 24,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,782,987	$4,155,697
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$250,485	$
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,414,430)	$(565,724)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(3.74)	$(1.50)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 24, 1990	Aug. 26, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,276,670	$10,576,222
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$436,874	$2,309,966

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#90297c0023 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Northern Trust Corp.(TICKER: NTRS) announced on Oct. 16, 1990, that it will extend its existing stock buy-back program by an additional 2.0 million shares.

This extension brings the total amount of stock to be repurchased to 4.0 million shares of common stock.

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#90297c0024 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Hallador Petroleum Co.(TICKER: HPET) in its Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, disclosed certain events of default under its credit agreement with First National Bank Association (First Bank).

As of Oct. 5, 1990, First Bank waived the defaults and certain amendments were made to the credit agreement.

Under the agreement, as amended, Hallador must pay First Bank $1.5 million on or before Dec. 30, 1990.

During 1991, quarterly principal payments of $250,000 are required.

During 1992, three quarterly principal payments of $175,000 are required.

The loan matures on Dec. 31, 1992.

-30- 855
#90297c0025 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Amcor Capital Corp.(TICKER: AMCR) earned $134,294, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $3.78 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $2.96 million, or $0.39 per share, on revenues of $1.54 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 487
#90297c0026 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Arrhythmia Research Technology Inc. filed a patent infringement suit against Corazonix Corp. in July, 1988, regarding its patent on an invention called the "Electrocardiographic Means and Method of Detecting Potential Ventricular Tachycardia".

The suit subsequently was decided in favor of Corazonix.

On Oct. 17, 1990, Arrhythmia filed a motion for reconsideration and to vacate judgement in the prior decision.

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#90297c0027 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Wilson Capital Inc. lost $11,715, or $0.01 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $13,545, or $0.01 per share, on no revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise and has no present source of revenue.

Wilson's executive offices are located at 6160 South Syracuse Way, Suite 310, Englewood, CO 80111, and its telephone number is (303) 741-0400.

-30- 699
#90297c0028 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Kimbell-DeCar Corp. lost $1,575, at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with losses of $6,718, at an unknown price per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

The company is a development stage enterprise incorporated in April, 1988, for the purpose of engaging in the importation of men's and women's clothing and related products and accessories for wholesale purchasers in the U.S.

It reports revenues are not significant enough to warrant a reclassification from the status of development stage company.

The company's executive offices are located at 1820 Sharpless Drive, La Habra Heights, CA 90631, and its telephone number is (213) 697-4079.

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#90297c0029 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:18 that trade in American International Petroleum Corp.(NASDAQ: AIPN) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 11/16, 23/32. The company is located in New York, NY.

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#90297c0031 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Corporate Management Group Inc.(TICKER: KORP) earned $183,472, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $7.45 million for the fiscal year ended Jan. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $102,102, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $4.48 million for fiscal 1989.

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#90297c0032 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Academy Computing Corp.(TICKER: ACTG) and American Environmental Technologies Inc. announced Oct. 17, 1990, their verbal agreement to merge, subject to execution of a definitive merger agreement.

Under terms of the proposed agreement, Academy will issue 11.0 million shares of its common stock to existing American shareholders.

After the merger, the former shareholders of American will own approximately 81% of the merged company.

The remaining 19% will be owned by the existing Academy shareholders.

The surviving entity will operate under the name of AMETECH, with its primary business activity being hazardous waste transportation and management.

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#90297c0033 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 9 1990, Vogart Crafts Corp.(TICKER: PAE), a 91% owned subsidiary of Pioneer Systems Inc.(TICKER: VOGT), filed for bankruptcy protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York.

The subsidiary has stated its intent to operate as a debtor-in-possession.

It is the company's only operating business.

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#90297c0034 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows FarWest Financial Corp. announced Oct. 5 that its principal subsidiary, FarWest Savings and Loan Association, was instructed by the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) not to pay due interest on subordinated debentures issued by Farwest Savings in 1984.

FarWest reports it is seeking waivers from the holders of such debentures for the passed interest payment.

-30- 603
#90297c0035 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Pascall Group Inc. on Oct. 15, 1990, replaced its independent accountants, Rachlin & Ain, with Terrance A. Zielinski, certified public accountant.

The company reports it changed accountants because Rachlin & Ain is not a member of the SEC practice division of the Association of Independent Certified Public Accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90297c0036 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Bethel Bancorp (TICKER: BTHL) on Oct. 15, 1990, engaged the firm of Peat, Marwick Main & Co. as its independent accountants for fiscal 1991.

The company's former auditor was Berry, Dunn, McNeil & Parker.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90297c0037 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 15, 1990, process was served by Nardi Asset Management Inc. on Digital Transmission (TICKER: DTIN) for forcible entry and detainer in the Circuit Court of the 18th Judicial Circuit County of DuPage, Illinois.

The suit seeks judgement against Digital in the amount of $206,106.04, plus attorneys' fees, for unpaid rent for Digital's premises at 4343 Commerce Court Lisle, Illinois. It also seeks to be awarded possession of the premises.

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#90297c0039 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Com-Tek Resources Inc.(TICKER: CTKR) on Oct. 15, 1990, approved the engagement of the accounting firm of Hein & Associates as its independent auditors for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company dismissed its previous auditor, BDO Seidman.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90297c0040 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Archive Corp.(TICKER: ACHV) reported on Oct. 19, 1990, that it expects record revenue, based on preliminary unaudited financial results for its 1990 fiscal year, ended Sept.28, 1990.

Revenue for fiscal 1990 is estimated to rise more than 60% to approximately $295 million, as compared to $181.4 million in fiscal 1989.

Net income for the year is estimated to be between $11.3 and $11.9 million, or $0.84 and $0.88 per share, compared to $15.3 million, or $1.15 per share, earned during the 1989 fiscal year.

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#90297c0041 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows K Med Centers Inc.(TICKER: KMED) earned $477,753, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $1.05 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $257,465, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $120,930 for the same period in 1989.

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#90297c0042 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 17, 1990, the plaintiffs and defendants in Abrams et al. v. Caesars New Jersey Inc.(TICKER: CJN) et al. entered into a settlement agreement with regard to their claims. On Oct. 22, 1990, a US District Court entered into an order, in accordance with the settlement, that consolidates several actions and provides for the dismissal by the plaintiffs in the actions and scheduled a hearing for Nov. 28, 1990 to determine whether the proposed settlement is fair to members of the plaintiff class.

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#90297c0043 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:25 that trade in Ameribanc Investors Group Inc. (NASDAQ: AINVS) has been resumed. The first sale was 2-1/2; unchanged from the halt and previous close.

-30- 359
#90297c0044 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:30 that trade in American International Petroleum Corp. (NASDAQ: AIPN) has been resumed. The first bid was 11/16. The first ask was 3/4. Both bid and ask were down 1/32 point from the halt and previous close.

-30- 425
#90297c0045 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:50 that trade in Philadelphia Electric Co. (preferred stock) has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol PE.

-30- 342
#90297c0047 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Vintage Group Inc.(TICKER: VINT) earned $2.12 million, or $0.36 per share, on revenues of $52,477 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.20 million (including an extraordinary gain of $386,000), or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $320,080 for fiscal 1989.

The company's executive offices are located at 818 Fifth Avenue, Suite 303, San Rafael, CA 94901, and its telephone number is (415) 453-7500.

-30- 674
#90297c0048 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Municipal Development Corp.(TICKER: MUNI) earned $253,591 (including an extraordinary gain of $32,583 from discontinued operations and a gain of $377,368 from disposal of discontinued operations operations), or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $10,564 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $616,553 (including a loss of $751,778 on discontinued operations and a gain of $298,417 from disposal of discontinued operations), or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $14,430 for the same period in 1989.

The company reports it does not have operations that are revenue-producing as of June 30, 1990.

Its executive offices are located at 152 East 74th Street, New York, NY 10021, and its telephone number is (212) 737-0737.

-30- 988

#90297c0049 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Protech Inc.(TICKER: PRTC) lost $814,386, or $0.46 per share, on revenues of $2.08 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $117,262 (including an extraordinary gain of $31,000), or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $1.98 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 500

#90297c0050 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Philadelphia Electric Co. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol PE. Trading was resumed at 14:45.

-30- 360

#90297c0051 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:01 that trade in Equitable of Iowa Companies (NASDAQ: EQIC) has been resumed. The first sale was 16; up 1/4 point from the halt, and up 3/8 point from the previous close.

-30- 377

#90297c0052 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) COMTEX - Early use of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait would have kept the crisis-induced oil price hikes significantly lower than those which have occurred, a congressional task force was told today.

"If we had drawn down SPR from the beginning, you never would have seen oil prices in the $40s or even in the $30s," said John Lichtblau, chairman of Petroleum Industry Research Foundation, a non-profit think tank specializing in matters which affect the U.S. petroleum industry. "There would have been an increase in prices, maybe $5, $6 or $7 per barrel."

"The failure to use strategic stocks early in the crisis is the most serious failure of energy policy during the episode to date," echoed Dr. Philip

Verleger, Jr., an independent economic consultant and former senior adviser on domestic energy matters at the U.S. Treasury. "We wouldn't have seen prices rise above $25 a barrel."

However, Dr. Daniel Dreyfus, vice president of the Gas Research Institute, said early release of the petroleum stocks may not have made much difference because of the volatility of the oil markets.

"I think in the kind of situation we've had, the biggest problem is uncertainty," Dreyfus told a House panel investigating the policy implications of the Middle East oil crisis. "If SPR is going to do us any good in this situation, it has to reduce the uncertainty not add to it. "I don't see this as a sensible way to deal with uncertainty."

Oil prices, which hovered near $18 to $19 a barrel in July, peaked at $41.15 a barrel on Oct. 10 but have fallen 29 percent since then, closing yesterday at $29.37 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The U.S. SPR presently stands at 590 million barrels and, except for a a modest test several weeks following the Iraqi incursion, the Bush administration has so far decided against tapping the reserve. Other members of the International Energy Agency, most notably Germany and Japan, have followed the U.S. lead and refused to draw on their respective stockpiles.

Once the crisis is resolved, Lichtblau and Verleger advocate aggressively expanding the SPR through leasing oil from select foreign producers.

"Under this concept, certain foreign oil producers with substantial spare producing capacity would supply oil that would otherwise remain in the ground, and lease it to the Department of Energy to fill the government's SPR storage facilities," Lichtblau said. "The leasing cost would presumably be much lower than the market price of the oil. If and when the oil is used for SPR purposes the lessor would get its full value."

"We ought to encourage oil exporting countries in the Middle East to store oil here," added Verleger. "The greater exposure of our economy to price fluctations requires that the United States build a much larger strategic petroleum reserve."

"I think this whole crisis situation is based on speculation," countered Dreyfus. "I don't see what increasing SPR will do now."

-30- 3318

#90297c0053 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:47 that trade in MCA Inc.(NASDAQ: MCA) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

-30- 311
#90297c0055 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - Berger Holdings Ltd. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 330,000 units.

Each unit consists of two shares of Series A $4.25 convertible preferred stock and one redeemable common stock purchase warrant.

The company's common stock is traded on NASDAQ. Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for the company's units, preferred stock or warrants.

The offering price is $9.00 per unit.

Donald & Co Securities, M.H. Meyerson & Co., and Financial Equities Resources is managing the offering.

Berger is engaged in the manufacture and distribution of roof drainage products.

The company's executive office is located at 805 Pennsylvania Blvd., Feasterville, PA 19047 and its telephone number is (215) 545-3414.

-30- 964
#90297c0056 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - Kelken-Gold Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 500,000 units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one common stock purchase warrant.

The initial public offering price is $5.25 per unit.

McCarley and Associates Inc. is underwriting the offering.

The company is primarily engaged in the business of selling construction anchoring systems including certain bonding materials, hardware and related products.

The company's executive office is located at 3005 Hadley Road, South Plainfield, NJ 07080 and its telephone number is (908) 753-0088.

-30- 807
#90297c0057 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - Aquarian Acquisitions Inc. filed a registration

statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 3 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and two common stock purchase warrants.

The initial public offering price is $0.05 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 450 Old Courthouse Road, Manhasset Hills, New York 11040 and its telephone number is (516) 365-7666.

-30- 748

#90297c0058 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - Cibro Refinery LP filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 5 million convertible preferred units representing limited partner interests.

The preferred units, which represent an approximate 44% limited partner interest in the partnership, are entitled to receive, if as and when declared by the general partner, cumulative quarterly distributions of cash derived from the partnership's operations of $2.10 per unit per annum payable at the rate of $0.525 per unit.

The convertible preferred units represent newly issued limited partner interests in Cibro Refinery LP.

The partnership has been formed to acquire, own and operate the petroleum refinery and wholesale marketing operations of Cibro Terminals Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Cibro Petroleum Products Inc.

The refinery is located in Albany, NY and currently produces primarily liquid asphalt, military aviation fuel and fuel oils.

PaineWebber, Prudential-Bache Capital Funding, Smith Barney and First Albany are managing the offering.

Cibro's executive office is located at 1066 Zerega Ave., Bronx, NY 10462 and its telephone number is (212) 824-5000.

-30- 1390

#90297c0059 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 19, 1986, W.M. BEARD, CHAIRMAN OF USPCI INC. SOLD 5,250 SHARES

AT $23.83 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,191.

-30- 282
#90297c0060 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, JOHN J VANIER, DIR. OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $26.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90297c0061 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, JOHN J VANIER, DIR. OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $26.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90297c0063 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 07, 1990, JOHN J VANIER, DIR. OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 13,400 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90297c0064 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, MARION G DURK, VP OF AM INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: AM), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90297c0065 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, MARION G DURK, VP OF AM INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: AM), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,500.

-30- 299
#90297c0066 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, GEORGE H GILMORE JR, DIV. OFFICER OF AM INTERNATIONAL

INC. (TICKER: AM), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,000.

-30- 347
#90297c0067 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RICHARD D PROPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90297c0068 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, RICHARD D PROPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90297c0069 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, RICHARD D PROPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AMA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,600.

-30- 373
#90297c0071 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, EDSON W SPENCER, DIR. OF BOISE CASCADE CORP. (TICKER: BCC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,050.

-30- 315
#90297c0072 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90297c0073 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $28.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90297c0074 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, HENRY G ROBBINS II, DIR. OF EXPLOSIVE FABRICATORS INC. (TICKER: BOOM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,600.

-30- 334
#90297c0075 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $5.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90297c0076 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90297c0077 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90297c0079 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $5.73 PER SHARE.

-30- 280

#90297c0080 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90297c0081 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $5.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90297c0082 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90297c0083 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90297c0084 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90297c0085 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 284

#90297c0087 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90297c0088 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90297c0089 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90297c0090 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90297c0091 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90297c0092 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $5.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 284

#90297c0093 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $5.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90297c0095 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90297c0096 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90297c0097 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $5.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90297c0098 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90297c0099 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 284

#90297c0100 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90297c0101 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, BLUMENFELD ADAM TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF BSN CORP. (TICKER: BSN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90297c0103 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, JOSEPH LAGUMINA, VP OF CAESARS WORLD INC. (TICKER: CAW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,375.

-30- 307
#90297c0104 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1988, LUDWIG JESSELSON, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLYN BEAN PUBLISHING LTD. (TICKER: CBEN), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 864,000.

-30- 350
#90297c0105 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, LUDWIG JESSELSON, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLYN BEAN PUBLISHING LTD. (TICKER: CBEN), BOUGHT 1,120,000 SHARES AT $0.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90297c0106 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JOHN L KING, AFFILIATED PERSON OF CENTRAL HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CHOL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90297c0107 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JOHN L KING, AFFILIATED PERSON OF CENTRAL HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CHOL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,750.

-30- 337
#90297c0108 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, BARNEY U UHLIG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CIATTI'S INC. (TICKER: CIAT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90297c0109 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, BARNEY U UHLIG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CIATTI'S INC. (TICKER: CIAT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90297c0111 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, ROY D ELLIOTT, OFFICER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 2,186 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,454.

-30- 314
#90297c0112 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, CLAUDE B HUTCHISON JR, CHAIRMAN OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90297c0113 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CLAUDE B HUTCHISON JR, CHAIRMAN OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 525 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,250.

-30- 323
#90297c0114 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, DAVID F OCONNOR, VP OF CHECK ROBOT INC. (TICKER: CKRB), SOLD 15,958 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90297c0115 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, STEPHEN A OLLENDORFF, DIR. OF COMPUTER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: CPRD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,600.

-30- 322
#90297c0116 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOHN NAISBITT, DIR. OF CRSS INC. (TICKER: CRX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 291
#90297c0117 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, WILLARD M HUYCK, DIR. OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 330
#90297c0119 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 23, 1986, FRANCISCO A LORENZO, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL AIRLINES HLDGS INC. (TICKER: CTA), SOLD 10,400 SHARES AT $35.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90297c0120 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 30, 1986, FRANCISCO A LORENZO, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL AIRLINES HLDGS INC. (TICKER: CTA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90297c0121 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 30, 1986, FRANCISCO A LORENZO, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL AIRLINES HLDGS INC. (TICKER: CTA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $34.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 269,050.

-30- 347
#90297c0122 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, LAWRENCE L GELLERSTEDT, DIR. OF C&S/SOVRAN CORP. (TICKER: CVN), BOUGHT 3,250 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,164.

-30- 321
#90297c0123 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 31, 1986, ASHER B EDELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF DATAPOINT CORP. (TICKER: DPT), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90297c0124 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 31, 1986, ASHER B EDELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF DATAPOINT CORP. (TICKER: DPT), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90297c0125 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 31, 1986, ASHER B EDELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF DATAPOINT CORP. (TICKER: DPT), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90297c0127 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, GINO N PALA, PRES. OF DIXON TICONDEROGA CO. (TICKER: DXT), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 563,900.

-30- 319
#90297c0128 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, J P BARGER, PRES. OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 756,223.

-30- 300
#90297c0129 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, THOMAS L CASSIDY, DIR. OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. (TICKER: FBO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,408.

-30- 328
#90297c0130 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, PAT CHARLES, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 332
#90297c0131 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, PAT CHARLES, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 332
#90297c0132 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, WILLIAM T BAUMANN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CO. (TICKER: GACC), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 10,071.

-30- 342
#90297c0133 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90297c0135 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, FRANK T CALLAHAN, PRES. OF GREINER ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: GII), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90297c0136 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, MARK R JOHNSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HASTINGS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: HMF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $39.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,486.

-30- 355
#90297c0137 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, SAMCO INC, BEN. OWNER OF HASTINGS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: HMF), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $39.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,588.

-30- 331
#90297c0138 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, C SAGE GIVENS, DIR. OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC), SOLD 4,222 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90297c0139 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 22, 1989, GILBERT KLAPERMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RAPITECH SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RPSY), BOUGHT 833 SHARES AT $0.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,333.

-30- 343
#90297c0140 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WILLIAM B JOHNSON, DIR. OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL CORP. (TICKER: ICRR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 323
#90297c0141 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, S SCOTT CRUMP, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 86,012.

-30- 354
#90297c0143 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ALBERT J CROSSON, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL GAME TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: IGAM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90297c0144 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ALBERT J CROSSON, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL GAME TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: IGAM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,000.

-30- 339
#90297c0145 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GENZYME CORP, BEN. OWNER OF IG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: IGLI), BOUGHT 573,614 SHARES AT $5.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,456,948.

-30- 330
#90297c0146 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JOHN R EMRICK, DIR. OF INMAC CORP. (TICKER: INMC), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,700.

-30- 296
#90297c0147 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, I DEAN BAYNE, DIR. OF MEDICAL DYNAMICS INC. (TICKER: MEDY), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $1.72 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 316
#90297c0148 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ROBERT W DOUCETTE, CHAIRMAN OF MILWAUKEE INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: MILW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,500.

-30- 349
#90297c0149 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, KIRK LAMAR, DIR. OF NEW IMAGE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NIIS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90297c0151 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ROBERT W KEAN JR, DIR. OF NUI CORP. (TICKER: NUI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $17.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90297c0152 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, ROBERT W KEAN JR, DIR. OF NUI CORP. (TICKER: NUI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $16.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 154,482.

-30- 294
#90297c0153 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, HOWARD L FARKAS, DIR. OF SYNTHETECH INC. (TICKER: NZYM), SOLD 40,500 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,500.

-30- 306
#90297c0154 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, R RICHARD ABLON, PRES. OF OGDEN CORP. (TICKER: OG), BOUGHT 125,526 SHARES AT $15.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 158,354.

-30- 301
#90297c0155 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, CONSTANTINE G CARAS, DIR. OF OGDEN CORP. (TICKER: OG), BOUGHT 83,684 SHARES AT $15.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,284.

-30- 302
#90297c0156 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, OLIN CORP CONTRIBUTING EOP, BEN. OWNER OF OLIN CORP. (TICKER: OLN), BOUGHT 21,300 SHARES AT $39.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90297c0157 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, OLIN CORP CONTRIBUTING EOP, BEN. OWNER OF OLIN CORP. (TICKER: OLN), BOUGHT 28,609 SHARES AT $38.42 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90297c0159 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, OLIN CORP CONTRIBUTING EOP, BEN. OWNER OF OLIN CORP. (TICKER: OLN), BOUGHT 14,711 SHARES AT $36.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,596,492.

-30- 335
#90297c0160 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, HENRY L WHEELER, PRES. OF PACIFIC BANCORPORATION (TICKER: PABC), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90297c0161 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, HENRY L WHEELER, PRES. OF PACIFIC BANCORPORATION (TICKER: PABC), BOUGHT 1,712 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,467.

-30- 318
#90297c0162 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1990, LOIS S FOX, DIR. OF PROGRESS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PFNC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90297c0163 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, LOIS S FOX, DIR. OF PROGRESS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PFNC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,786.

-30- 317
#90297c0164 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DAVID D TRIPPLE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE PIONEER GROUP INC. (TICKER: PIOG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305

#90297c0165 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DAVID D TRIPPLE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE PIONEER GROUP INC. (TICKER: PIOG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,560.

-30- 343
#90297c0167 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JOHN B DUPUY, DIR. OF PIKEVILLE NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PKVL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,650.

-30- 318
#90297c0168 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DOUGLAS R PERCY, VP OF PANSOPHIC SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PNS), SOLD 3,600 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90297c0169 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ROY T RUEB, VP OF PENTAIR INC. (TICKER: PNTA), BOUGHT 189 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,476.

-30- 285
#90297c0170 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ROY T RUEB, VP OF PENTAIR INC. (TICKER: PNTA), SOLD 189 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 423.

-30- 284
#90297c0171 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, F SEDGWICK BROWNE, OFFICER OF PHOENIX RE CORP. (TICKER: PXRE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 316
#90297c0172 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, KELLY E MILLER, DIR. OF REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: RBNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,988.

-30- 318
#90297c0173 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 09, 1990, C BOARDMAN THOMPSON II, SHAREHOLDER OF RIGHT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS INC. (TICKER: RMCI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 168,881.

-30- 366
#90297c0175 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, POLLY PARKE, OFFICER OF TIE/COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TIE), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $0.51 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90297c0176 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, POLLY PARKE, OFFICER OF TIE/COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TIE), BOUGHT 6,200 SHARES AT $0.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90297c0177 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, POLLY PARKE, OFFICER OF TIE/COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TIE), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT $0.46 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 321
#90297c0178 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JAMES L TUCKER, SHAREHOLDER OF TUCKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: TUCK), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 122,190.

-30- 331
#90297c0179 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, EDWARD M MELTON, DIR. OF UNITED INDUSTRIAL CORP. (TICKER: UIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,116.

-30- 320
#90297c0180 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1990, LAWRENCE E STEINBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF UNITED MEDICORP INC. (TICKER: UMCI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,750.

-30- 343
#90297c0181 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CHARLES A PATTON, PRES. OF VIRGINIA FIRST SVGS BANKS FSB (TICKER: VFSB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90297c0183 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOSEPH R TIERNEY, BEN. OWNER OF WALSHIRE ASSURANCE CO. (TICKER: WALS), SOLD 120,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 121,033.

-30- 343
#90297c0184 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PETER L TIERNEY, BEN. OWNER OF WALSHIRE ASSURANCE CO. (TICKER: WALS), SOLD 120,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 121,033.

-30- 342
#90297c0185 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WILLIAM R TIERNEY JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF WALSHIRE ASSURANCE CO. (TICKER: WALS), SOLD 120,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,783.

-30- 365
#90297c0186 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WILLIAM R TIERNEY SR, BEN. OWNER OF WALSHIRE ASSURANCE CO. (TICKER: WALS), SOLD 120,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 121,033.

-30- 347
#90297c0187 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 4, 1990, Illinois Central Corp.(TICKER: ICRR) and GLB Shearson Lehman Hutton Merchant Banking Portfolio LP entered into amendment no. 2 to the standstill agreement pursuant to which Illinois Central Corp. agreed to the purchase by GLB Shearson Lehman Hutton Merchant Banking Portfolio LP of up to a maximum of 1 million additional shares over a period beginning with the date of expiration of the HSR waiting period and ending on Oct. 15, 1991.

-30- 696
#90297c0188 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY MANO ACQUISITION CORP OWNS 15,835 SHARES (29.80%) OF THE B MANISCHEWITZ CO OF JERSEY CITY, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

B Manischewitz Co. announced on Oct. 19, 1990 that it had entered into a definitive acquisition agreement with Mano Acquisition Corp., who then commenced an $800 per share tender offer for the shares of B Manischewitz Co. on Oct. 24, 1990. The offer will expire on Nov. 21, 1990 and requires a minimum of 35,380 shares to be tendered.

-30- 676
#90297c0189 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY KOHLBERG & KOHLBERG OWNS 16,139 SHARES (30.40%) OF THE B MANISCHEWITZ CO OF JERSEY CITY, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a stockholder agreement, Kohlberg & Kohlberg have been granted an irrevocable proxy to vote 15,835 shares. All other information is referenced to a tender offer statement filed in conjunction with this document.

-30- 561
#90297c0191 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

J. H. HARLAND CO OF DECATUR, GA OWNS 1,279,736 SHARES (51.00%) OF COURIER DISPATCH GROUP (TICKER: CDGI) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 16, 1990, J.H. Harland Co. made a proposal to Courier Dispatch Group's board to acquire Courier Dispatch Group through an all cash merger at a price of $3.75 per share. Courier Dispatch Group is currently reviewing the proposal and has retained Robinson-Humphrey Co. Inc. to advise it. Courier Dispatch Group has determined to temporarily postpone its annual meeting.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition proposal.

-30- 768
#90297c0192 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

XCOR PARTNERS LTD OWNS 43 SHARES (1.00%) OF BISCAYNE HOLDINGS INC (TICKER: BHA) OF MIAMI, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 5, 1990, Xcor Partners LTD distributed 6,271,893 shares to its partners and ceased to own more than 5 percent of the company's common stock.

-30- 465
#90297c0193 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY E.W. POWELL OWNS 2,568,228 SHARES (28.30%) OF BISCAYNE HOLDINGS INC (TICKER: BHA) OF MIAMI, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 5, 1990, Xcor Partners distributed to its partners its stake in Biscayne Holdings Inc. E.W. Powell received 2,126,046 shares as part of the distribution.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 531
#90297c0194 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

DR R.A. FISCHMAN OWNS 112,200 SHARES (1.30%) OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC (TICKER: MEDR) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Dr. R.A. Fischman sold 824,270 shares from Oct. 10-22, 1990 for $5.09 to $6.94 per share. An additional 7,000 shares were sold on Oct. 19, 1990 for $5.25 per

share pursuant to a margin call.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares to obtain cash for the payment of loans and other purposes.

-30- 617
#90297c0195 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY WARBURG PINCUS CAPITAL CO LP OF NEW YORK, NY OWN 5,664,311 SHARES (21.00%) OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP (TICKER: UNIH) OF MINNESOTA, MN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 23, 1990, WPCC sold the warrant to purchase shares of common stock to the company for $22,430,553 pursuant to the terms and conditions of the warrant purchase agreement. Such ownership consists of 4,553,111 shares owned of record and 1,111,200 option shares over which WPCC has voting power pursuant to the stock purchase agreement and represents a reduction in beneficial ownership of 2,222,222 shares resulting from the sale of the warrant.

PURPOSE:

Sale of warrant to purchase shares which constituted a right to acquire common stock.

-30- 936
#90297c0196 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.J. HAAN OWNS 2,871,000 SHARES (11.97%) OF TELESPHERE COMMUNICATIONS INC (TICKER: TSP) OF OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 15, 1990, Mr. Haan acquired the 2,871,000 shares of common stock directly from Telesphere Communications Inc. as part of the consideration for selling to Telesphere Communications Inc. the class A and B common stocks of NTS owned by Mr. Haan pursuant to an agreement, as amended, between Telesphere Communications Inc., class A and class B stockholders of NTS and NTS. Pursuant

to the agreement, Mr. Haan was elected a director of Telesphere Communications Inc. effective immediately after the closing, Oct. 15, 1990. On Oct. 22, 1990, at Telesphere Communications Inc.'s annual meeting of stockholders, Mr. Haan was reelected a director of Telesphere Communications Inc. to serve until the next annual meeting or until his successor is elected and qualified. At the closing, Mr. Haan received Telesphere Communications Inc.'s promissory note in the principal amount of $12,180,000 and a common stock purchase warrant to acquire 261,000 additional shares subject to adjustment on certain terms; the warrant is not currently exercisable.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

-30- 1443
#90297c0197 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L.L. NICHOLS OWNS 413,339 SHARES (4.27%) OF SANIFILL INC (TICKER: FIL) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 348
#90297c0199 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FERRIS INVESTMENTS LTD OWNS 935,107 SHARES (8.80%) OF GULF RESOURCES & CHEMICAL CORP (TICKER: GRE) OF BOSTON, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to provide an address for Ferris Investments LTD on the cover page.

-30- 443
#90297c0200 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ARDSLEY PARTNERS OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 441,000 SHARES (4.60%) OF ADVANCED POLYMER SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: APOS) OF REDWOOD CITY, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Ardsley Partners sold 81,000 shares from Sept. 6 to Oct. 22, 1990 for $2.88 to $4.13 per share.

-30- 463
#90297c0201 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

L. COHEN OF NEWARK, NJ OWNS 828,482 SHARES (7.60%) OF DIGITAL PRODUCTS CORP (TICKER: DIPC) OF FT. LAUDERDALE, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Cohen resigned as president of Digital Products Corp. effective Aug. 1, 1990, but will remain as a director.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

L. Cohen sold 148,000 shares on Sept. 28, 1990 for $2.25 per share.

-30- 537
#90297c0202 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY PLACER DOME INC OF VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA OWNS 8,804,845 SHARES (98.50%) OF CONTINENTAL GOLD CORP (TICKER: CNTV) OF VANCOUVER, BC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Placer announced on Oct. 24, 1990, that its offer has expired and that 8.3 million of Continental Gold Corp.'s shares were accepted and exchanged for Cdn.$20 per share.

-30- 542
#90297c0203 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY PLACER DOME INC OF VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA OWNS 8,804,845 SHARES (98.50%) OF CONTINENTAL GOLD CORP (TICKER: CNTV) OF VANCOUVER, BC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Placer announced on Oct. 24, 1990, that its offer has expired and that 8.3 million of Continental Gold Corp.'s shares were accepted and exchanged for Cdn.$20 per share.

-30- 543
#90297c0204 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

E.L. PARKER OWNS 413,340 SHARES (4.27%) OF SANIFILL INC (TICKER: FIL) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 343
#90297c0205 10/24/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY ROPART PARTNERS LP OWNS 1,134,846 SHARES (20.40%) OF FILMSTAR INC (TICKER: FLTR).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 2, 1990, the company agreed to issue 100,000 shares to Ropart Partners LP in exchange for the filers arranging and securing a letter of credit. The shares were issued on Sept. 25, 1990. Ropart Partners LP may be deemed to hold an additional 1,291,444 shares held by Kleiman pursuant to a letter agreement dated Sept. 21, 1989. These additional shares in the aggregate with those of Ropart Partners LP represent 43.7 percent.

-30- 751

#90297c0207 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - Monarch Bancorp of Laguna Niguel, Calif., has agreed to acquire The Laguna Bank N.A., in Laguna Beach, Calif., in a stock swap.

The agreement is subject to regulatory and shareholder approval, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 24, 1990.

-30- 515

#90297c0208 10/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - North Shore Gas Co., a Chicago utility that provides natural gas services to 54 communities in northeastern Illinois, will float up to $25 million in first mortgage adjustable-rate bonds, due 2020.

North Shore Gas will use the proceeds to retire short-term debt and for general corporate purposes, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The bonds will be offered through Edward D. Jones & Co.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 24, 1990.

-30- 682

#90297d0000 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIRUT (OCT. 24) - A moslem militia death squad Wednesday executed a man it said was responsible for two carbomb explosions that killed 12 persons in southern Lebanon two months ago.

Security sources said Mohamad Abbas Daher, 21, was shot in the head by three hooded Shiite Amal militiamen in front of 2,000 spectators in the main square of Tyre, south of Beirut.

Daher was accused of complicity in carbomb attacks against Amal militia offices in Tyre last August in which 12 civilians and Amal militiamen were killed.

Daher, believed to be a member of the Shiite fundamentalist Hezbollah or Party of God, had admitted the charges in an earlier press conference.

Amal and Hezbollah have been involved in feud for control of Lebanon's powerful Shiite community since 1988. The struggle has left 2,000 persons dead and as many as 100,000 homeless.

-30- 1050
#90297d0030 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEL AVIV (OCT. 24) - Israeli troops killed two guerrillas and wounded several others in a raid into areas of Lebanon controlled by the pro-Iranian Hezbollah movement, Israel radio reported Wednesday.

The raid occured Tuesday night near the village of Huna, some 25 kilometres inside Lebanon. There were no casualties among Israeli troops from an elite paratroop unit, the broadcast said.

The attack was far to the the north of the self-proclaimed security zone running 10 kilometres inside Lebanon's border with Israel where Israeli troops usually confine their activity.

-30- 747
#90297d0040 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (OCT. 24) - A ceasefire between government troops and rebels in Rwanda took effect on Wednesday at l0 a.m. local time (0800 GMT), Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens told the press in the Kenyan capital.

He said he received a phone call from Rwandan counterpart Casimir Bizimungu telling him the government in Kigali had accepted the ceasefire.

But the rebels had already violated it, Mr. Bizimungu had added, which made it ''an absolute necessity'' to organise supervision of the ceasefire, Mr. Eyskens said. That was an African responsibility, and a supervisory force could be stationed in Rwanda by the Organisation of African Unity, the Belgian minister said.

Belgium was ready to provide logistics and financial backing, but not troops, he added.

-30- 957
#90297d0070 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (OCT. 24) - An Islamic fundamentalist group, Beit al-Makadess, on Wednesday claimed responsibility for an assault last Sunday in Jerusalem in which three Israeli Jews were stabbed to death.

Sheikh Assad Bayoud al-Tamimi, the leader of the organization, said the attack was carried out by the Khaled Islambouli wing, named for the militant who assassinated Egyptian President Anwar Sadat in 1981.

Israeli police said a 19-year-old Palestinian killed a woman soldier, a florist and a police officer and wounded a fourth Israeli with a bayonet.

Sheikh Saad in remarks to Agence France-Presse disputed an earlier claim of responsibility from a another fundamentalist group, Jihad Kataeb al-Aqsa, which he said had been expelled from Beit al-Makadess.

In Jerusalem an anonymous telephone caller said Force 17, a security branch of the mainstream Fatah movement of the Palestine Liberation Organization, had carried out the killings.

The attacks came in the aftermath of a clash October 8 in east Jerusalem during which Israeli security forces shot dead 21 Palestinian stonethrowers.

Another Palestinian died Wednesday from his wounds, but Palestinian sources said he had been shot by an Israeli civilian.

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#90297d0150 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Ankara (OCT. 24) - A quake measuring 4.3 on the Richter scale hit north-western Turkey Wednesday, the semi-official Anatolian Agency said.

The tremor, with epicentre near Bursa, occured at 13.17 hours (11.17 Gmt), the report said.

It was not immediately clear if there were any casualties.

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#90297d0220 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (OCT. 24) - Turkish State Minister Isin Celebi left here Wednesday for Sofia in what appeared to be the first concrete step to revitalize economic ties after an earlier political normalisation.

Celebi, responsible for the economy, was accompanied by a large delegation of businessmen, bankers and contractors.

Relations between the two Balkan countries, which had steadily deteriorated over the forced assimilation of some 1.5 million ethnic Turks since 1984, started improving after the toppling last year of Todor Zhivkov, Bulgaria's former hard-line communist leader.

At the peak of the tensions, some 350,000 ethnic Turks fled to Turkey last year, but nearly half subsequently returned, disappointed with lack of jobs and housing.

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#90297d0230 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAPE TOWN (OCT. 24) - The South African President's Council is to recommend that a new constitution provide for a possible future confederation of sub-Saharan African states, its deputy chairman Mr. J.H. Heyns said Wednesday.

Proposals of a report by the President's Council were released on Wednesday and were to be debated Wednesday and Thursday before formal adoption and submission to President Frederik de Klerk as a basis for negotiations on a new constitutional dispensation for the country.

The report says confederation was already a reality in the relationship between South Africa and its four nominally independent tribal homelands - Transkei, Bophuthatswana, Venda and Ciskei (TBVC).

This could serve as a "basis for closer ties with other neighbouring states in southern Africa", says the report.

Infrastructure already existed on the basis of a confederation involving several southern African states such as Swaziland, Lesotho and Namibia among others, Mr. Heyns told Agence France-Presse.

Primarily because of economic links between Sub-Saharan countries and South Africa, the council envisaged a "broad Sub-Saharan" confederation, he said.

The report also acknowleged the TBVC states' lack of economic viability adding they had "little or no legitimacy".

Basically, the council report proposes for South Africa a negotiated constitution with a Bill of Rights, protected by a Constitutional Court.

It foresees a bicameral parliamentary system with one chamber elected on a countrywide proportional basis and the other on an ethnic or "other basis" - "a system somewhere between a traditional federation and a union, with consociational features".

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#90297d0250 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (OCT. 24) - Brazil unveiled Wednesday a 130 million dollar program to combat AIDS, which claims a new victim every 80 minutes in the country, the Health Ministry official announced Wednesday.

Eduardo Cortes, director of the center for contagious diseases, said that more than 13,000 Brazilians had the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) and that an additional 7,000 were expected to come down with the disease over the next year.

He said there was a new AIDS case reported every 80 minutes, adding that between 300,000 and 500,000 Brazilians were currently believed to be infected

with the HIV virus held responsible for causing AIDS.

Dr. Cortes said the 130 million dollars would primarily be spent to purchase and provide anti-AIDS drug treaments, notably using AZT.

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#90297d0280 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (OCT. 24) - Successive typhoons and storms have seriously damaged treasures in the former royal capital of Hue, which was virtually flattened in fighting between Vietnamese and U.S. forces during the 1968 Tet offensive.

The Vietnam News Agency (VNA) said Wednesday that the natural calamities had whipped off some 30,000 square metres (yards) of roofing from former imperial buildings, mostly built in the 19th century.

The report did not give a time frame for the damage, but informed sources said it had happened over recent years, though with the most devastation coming when a big typhoon hit the central Vietnamese city last month.

Hardest hit were the Noon Gate, the Thai Hoa Court Hall, the Dien Tho Palace and the prominent royal tombs of Thieu Tri, Minh Mang, Gia Long and Tu Duc outside Hue.

VNA said some 20 kilometres (12 miles) of roads and 23 bridges had been destroyed in the royal complex.

The agency had reported Tuesday that work was under way with international help to restore the national treasures at Hue, particularly the royal palace.

It said that Japan had in March contributed 100,000 dollars towards restoring the Noon Gate, the entrance to the Citadel housing the former royal capital of Vietnam and the site where the last emperor Bao Dai abdicated on August 30, 1945.

Craftsmen from across the country had been asked to help restore the Ngu Phung Pavilion and the Thai Hoa Palace.

Hue, one of the country's top tourist destinations, became a part of Vietnam in 1036 and capital of the country in 1802 as the seat of the Nguyen imperial dynasty - the last in Vietnam.

It was the scene of some of the fiercest fighting of the Vietnam War during the Viet Cong's 1968 Tet offensive against the U.S. and South Vietnamese armed forces.

The citadel and its treasures were virtually flattened as U.S. marines recaptured Hue in more than three weeks of desperate house-to-house fighting.

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#90297d0300 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 24) - Japan's three long-term credit banks will lower their benchmark long-term prime rate by 0.6 point to 8.3 percent per annum on November 1, bank officials said Wednesday.

The rate cut, the first in five months, will be accompanied by the same cut in rates on five-year fixed-coupon debentures, the banks' main fund-raising tools the officials said.

The long-term prime rate is the fee charged on loans of more than one year to the most creditworthy customers of the three banks: Industrial Bank of Japan, Nippon Credit Bank and Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan.

The rate has been raised three times since August.

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#90297d0340 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 24) - New annual subscriptions of the Soviet Communist Party daily Pravda have plunged from 6.5 million last year to 504,000 on October 1, Ivan Frolov, the paper's chief editor said here Wednesday.

Mr. Frolov, a close aide to President Mikhail Gorbachev, said that he "will work at Pravda until further notice" after the party's Politburo and the Central Committee rejected his offer to resign.

He took over the paper's top job a year go but has run into stiff opposition from Pravda staff.

Subscribers traditionally make up the bulk of Pravda's readers who have until November 20 to renew their subscriptions. The paper reports a circulation of 7.7 million copies.

The number of subscriptions has dwindled as several hundred thousand members left the Communist Party over the past months. At the same time subscription rates increased by up to two and a half but the paper still costs no more than four kopecks (eight cents at the official rate).

Pravda said last November that more than three million readers had failed to renew subscriptions.

Speaking at a press conference, Mr. Frolov was confident that the paper's circulation "will be sufficient for a paper with a worldwide readership" and that it will not run into a deficit.

Pravda is to become more independent financially, notably by opening up its pages to advertisers, but it will maintain close "ideological ties" with the Central Committee, according to Mr. Frolov.

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#90297d0410 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (OCT. 24) - The United Arab Emirate of Abu Dhabi has reactivated a major gas gathering and processing plant that was shut down four years ago, oil industry sources said on Wednesday.

The plant, which re-started last week, can process 280 million cubic feet per day of associated gas from the emirate's offshore Zakum field, operated by the Abu Dhabi Marine operating Company (ADMA-OPCO).

It was shut down in 1986 when oil production plunged in response to low prices and a glut on the international market.

The Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC), with a 60 percent shareholding in ADMA-OPCO, decided last year to bring the plant back on stream.

Abu Dhabi accounts for most of the two million barrels of oil produced each day by the United Arab Emirates.

ADMA-OPCO, which operates Abu Dhabi's offshore fields, is owned by British Petroleum (BP), Total-Compagnie France des Petroles (Total-CFP) and the Japan Oil Development Company (JODCO).

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#90297d0460 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOGADISHU (OCT. 24) - Violent demonstrations in the Somali capital on Tuesday left three people dead and 31 injured, Interior Minister Abdiqasim Salad Hassan announced here Wednesday.

Mr. Hassan charged that the dmonstrations were organised and staged by "hooligans and gangs bent on looting people's assets" and also caused considerable loss of both public and private property.

A policeman was killed and five others were hurt, he said.

"Food stores for the Agricultural Development Corporation, a police truck and a goods truck belonging to the National Refugee Commission were expropriated and set on fire, along with other smaller cars", the minister told a press conference Wednesday.

Organizers of the demonstration said October 23 was 'Somalia's Political Prisoners Day' and have accused the government of still holding detainees

under security laws that were scrapped when a new constitution came into force on October 12.

Mr. Hasssan said the protests "were contrary to the country's recently introduced democratic constitution which accepts expression of citizens' opinions in a peaceful way".

A Radio Mogadishu commentary said here Wednesday that the organizers of the demonstration were now being followed and investigated and would be required to defend themselves before a court of law.

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#90297d0480 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (OCT. 24) - The United States said Wednesday it was hopeful of concluding an agreement with Singapore for the expanded use of military bases here and refused to comment on reported snags in the negotiations.

Sources confirmed that questions of cost and criminal jurisdiction over U.S. servicemen were still being discussed, but said they were part of the normal negotiating process rather than any major obstacle.

There was no indication when an agreement would be finalised to allow the Americans increased use of air and naval facilities for repair, maintenance and berthing to reduce their dependence on U.S. bases in the Philippines.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman said that "very complicated negotiations" were still under way on the Singapore offer first made in August of last year.

The spokesman said the two sides had sat down for four sessions of talks and "a few areas are yet to be settled." He did not elaborate but expressed hope for concluding an agreement "satisfactory to both sides."

The spokesman declined to comment on a report Tuesday in the International Herald Tribune that said the talks had been "slowed" by disagreements over of legal jurisdiction and cost-sharing.

The Americans reportedly balked at paying even a small amount as a direct fee for use of the facilities for fear of creating a precedent.

They were also reported to be concerned over the prospect of U.S. servicemen being tried under local laws that prescribe a mandatory death penalty for drug traffickers.

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#90297d0490 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MASERU (OCT. 24) - Lesotho's exiled King Moshoeshoe II will return to the

southern African country in the near future, the country's military ruler Major General Metsing Lekhanya said here Wednesday.

In an address to Lesotho's National Constituent Assembly, Gen. Lekhanya said recent discussions between himself and the king in Britain, where he has been in exile since March this year, had been "warm and constructive".

Gen. Lekhanya said arrangements were underway for King Moshoeshoe's return to Lesotho.

Gen. Lekhanya stripped the king of his legislative and executive powers on February 21 when he refused to ratify the dismissal of four military council members.

King Moshoeshoe went into "voluntary exile" in London on March 10.

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#90297d0510 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 24) - Japan is planning new measures to conserve energy this winter, including lower indoor temperatures and more use of public transport, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) said Wednesday.

The plan, to be made public next week, is meant to address uncertainties in oil markets during the Gulf crisis. It will come after the government unveiled energy-saving measures in August for the first time since the 1979 oil shock.

MITI plans to call on enterprises, public utilities, stores and hotels to limit indoor temperatures to 20 degrees celsius (68 degrees Fahrenheit), one degree (two degrees) above the 1979 limit, local press reports said.

The authorities will also call on people to limit the use of lights in unoccupied rooms, to use public transport during holidays and to drive no faster than 80 kilometers per hour (50 miles per hour).

Riding bicycles will also be encouraged, the reports said.

MITI was also considering a request to gasoline distributors to lower retail prices with the stronger yen and the cost of oil down since the price surge immediately after the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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#90297d0530 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 24) - A one-day general strike to protest at the arrest of a Hindu leader sparked off Hindu-Moslem rioting that killed at least 22 people and scores injured Wednesday.

The strike paralysed life in the Indian capital and forced authorities in several other cities and towns to impose a curfew and call out army troops to quell communal violence.

The worst affected was Jaipur, capital of the northwestern desert state of Rajasthan, where ten people were killed and over 100 injured in police firing as mobs tried to force shops to close and heed the strike call.

The army was later called out to restore order in the area after police failed to quell communal rioting, despite indefinite curfew regulations in Jaipur.

Elsewhere, three people were killed in southern Karnataka, two in West Bengal, one in Andhra Pradesh and six in the western state of Gujarat.

Sporadic incidents of violence, arson and looting were reported from many other areas as police arrested an unspecified number of arrests all over India.

The strike was called by the right-wing Bharatiya Janata Party to protest the arrest of its leader, Lal Krishna Advani, on Tuesday, during a nationwide tour that has upset Indian Moslems.

Educational institutions, markets and business establishments in several places remained closed while banks and government offices reported thin attendance.

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#90297d0540 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 24) - A total of 34 people drowned in massive floods in more than 30 provinces in northern, northeastern and central Thailand caused by two tropical storms earlier this month, an Interior Ministry official said here on Wednesday.

Rains from the tropical storms Ira and Lola, which swept across Indochina into Thailand from the South China Sea, had inundated 550,392 hectares (1.36 million acres) of farmland and 2,480 villages, killing more than 3,000 farm animals and damaging 2,514 roads and 113 bridges, he said.

Damage was estimated at around five billion baht (200 million dollars).

Meanwhile, Thai Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan on Wednesday flew by helicopter to inspect cracks in the base structure of the La Moon Bon hydroelectric dam in Nakhon Ratchasima province, some 260 kilometres (160 miles) northeast of here.

An official, contacted by telephone at Kon Buri district, a few kilometres (miles) from the dam, said the Prime Minister was shown two holes measuring about one square metre (yard) at the base of the dam, where water from the

reservoir was jetting out and flooding four adjacent sub-districts.

Mr. Chatichai also helped local officials to supervise the evacuation of some 600 villagers on to higher ground, the official said.

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#90297d0570 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 24) - Soviet envoy Yevgeni Primakov who arrived in Cairo on Wednesday on a new five-to-six-day Middle East tour will also go to Iraq, Interfax news agency reported.

Mr. Primakov, an advisor to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, will go to Saudi Arabia, Syria and Iraq following his talks in Egypt, the agency added.

On arrival in Cairo the Soviet envoy said there were still options for a negotiated settlement in the Gulf that have yet to be explored.

Mr. Primakov met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad early this month and has also visited Muscat, Rome, Paris and Washington in a bid to help settle the Gulf crisis triggered by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

"Not all the approaches to a peaceful settlement (of the Gulf crisis) have been tried," he said in Cairo.

His efforts to date, he added, have yielded "positive results," but he did not elaborate.

Mr. Primakov was Thursday expected to meet President Hosni Mubarak, who is currently on a tour of the Gulf.

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#90297d0640 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 24) - A Japanese bid to buy out Southland Corp., which operates the world's largest convenience store chain, 7-Eleven, has cleared a major obstacle, Japanese spokesmen said Wednesday.

The Dallas-based U.S. firm has filed a restructuring plan with a bankruptcy court in northern Texas, clearing the way for retail store chains, Ito-Yokado Co. and its subsidiary 7-Eleven Japan Co., to take over Southland, they said.

The Japanese group basically agreed in March to buy 70 percent of Southland for 430 million dollars on condition that the U.S. firm swap about 1.8 billion dollars worth of junk bonds for straight bonds and ordinary shares.

If approved by the court, the restructuring plan will make the swap deal mandatory under the U.S. bankruptcy code, despite objections from some holders

of high-yield junk bonds, the spokesmen said.

"It is highly possible that the court will approve the plan," Masaki Kamata, managing director of 7-Eleven Japan Co., told a press conference. He expects court approval in "three to six months."

Southland owns about 6,900 7-Eleven convenience stores in the United States and 5,900 other licensees and affiliates in the United States and 21 other nations.

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#90297d0790 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (OCT. 24) - The South African government on Wednesday sent President Kenneth Kaunda a telegram of congratulation on Zambia's independence anniversary for the first time in 26 years of nationhood.

The message, marking the changing diplomatic scene in southern Africa, was the only remarkable event in a day of low-key celebrations, reflecting the former British colony's critical economic problems and public apathy towards the ruling United National Independence Party (UNIP).

Sources here say the opening of a South African "trade mission" may be imminent, with Zambia establishing a similar legation in Johannesburg, in contradiction of its long campaign to isolate Pretoria economically and diplomatically.

Mr. Kaunda held a reception and investiture at his official residence but the resounding speeches, military parades and aircraft flypasts which marked the early anniversaries of independence were conspicuously lacking. The country then rode a boom in world prices for copper, almost its sole export.

Members of the powerful Movement for Multi-party Democracy, which is campaigning to end UNIP's 17-year-old single-party rule, stayed at home. Mr. Kaunda has pledged to end UNIP's privileged constitutional status and hold a general election next year.

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#90297d0940 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (OCT. 24) - Saudi Arabia has refused to resume oil shipments to Jordan, which it suspended last month, Energy Minister Thabet al-Taher said here Wednesday.

Saudi authorities halted oil deliveries to Jordan on September 19, citing a five-year-old debt of 40 million dollars owed by Amman. Jordan said it believed the debt had been cancelled.

Mr. Taher, quoted by Petra news agency, said he asked the Saudi company Tapline "to resume pumping oil to Amman and to add the interest owed by Jordan on the 40 million dollars, which had been the object of a dispute between Jordan and the company, until the issue is clarified."

But he said Tapline rejected the request, saying it would only resume pumping to Jordan when the debt was settled and if it had sufficient supplies of crude oil at the time of a Jordanian request.

Prior to the cut-off, Jordan received 10 per cent of its oil from Saudi Arabia.

While Saudi authorities justified their decision by citing the financial dispute, most analysts here interpreted it as an expression of Saudi displeasure at Jordan's stand on the Gulf crisis.

Jordan has criticized the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, although not as forcefully as other Arab states, and has strongly objected to the build-up of Western military forces in the Gulf - notably Saudi Arabia.

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#90297d1000 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 24) - The French state-owned Renault car firm will not give its view of a possible agreement between Japanese Mitsubishi and Swedish Volvo until relations between Europe and Japan have been clarified, Renault president Raymond Levy said on Wednesday.

But in any case the proposed agreement concerned only part of one Volvo factory in the Netherlands "and we cannot for a moment imagine an alliance between Mitsubishi and Volvo comparable to the current alliance between Renault and Volvo", he said.

Repeating that he was opposed to the immediate opening of the European market to Japanese cars, wherever they were built, he said either all market arrangements had to be liberalised, or none at all. "There is no question of fighting on a single battlefield chosen by the Japanese," he said.

Mr. Levy said that Japanese "transplants" in Europe raised clear dangers of excess production capacity, and said that the European steel industry had died of excess capacity after 10 years of agony which cost 100 billion francs (17 billion dollars) and 100,000 jobs.

Regarding an offer by Renault for the Czechoslovakian Skoda firm, Mr. Levy said that he would be "very disappointed" if Czechoslovakia decided instead to do a deal with German Volkswagen.

Mr. Levy made his remarks on his nomination as 1990 manager of the year by the magazine Nouvel Economiste.

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#90297d1030 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
STRASBOURG, France (OCT. 24) - European Commission President Jacques Delors urged here Wednesday that the 12 European Economic Community countries agree to set a date for the next phase of economic and monetary union.

Speaking at a press conference to preview an EEC meeting of heads of state and government in Rome at the weekend, he said "one or two countries" should not be allowed to delay the process.

This was a clear reference to Britain, which has opposed setting a date for the start of phase two towards economic and monetary union.

Mr. Delors, president of the executive arm of the EEC, urged that a date for phase two be set, not at this weekend's meeting as expected, but at the next summit in Rome in December. He said such a date should be announced along with a set of "objective criteria".

If these criteria are reached on schedule, he said, the EEC 12 could move from a first phase of economic alignment into phase two - creation of an EEC central bank which would start working, with a common currency, in the third phase.

Most of the 12 are divided on whether phase two should start on January 1, 1993, or a year later. Britain is the only country firmly to reject any date at all.

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#90297d1130 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Kathmandu (OCT. 24) - Over 100 lawyers of the Nepal Bar Association Wednesday staged a silent protest march through the main thoroughfares of the Nepalese capital to protest against what they called the Nepalese royal palace conspiracy against the people.

The march, which began at the Nepalese Supreme Court, was organised to ''alert the people against any conspiracy from any quarter, including the royal palace''.

At a mass meeting held by the lawyers, speakers including the Bar Association President, Kusum Shrestha, lambasted the King Birendra and the Nepalese royal palace, freely using derogatory langauge.

Meanwhile, Nepalese Prime Minister Krihsna Prasad Bhattarai told newsmen that he was unable to say when the new, democratic, multi-party constitution would come into force. Even the king did not know, he added.

In what observers here described as a significant development, the supreme leader of the Nepali Congress, Ganesh Man Singh, Prime Minister Bhattarai, who is also acting president of the Nepali Congress Party, and the party general secretary, Girja Prasad Koirala, collectively met King Birendra Wednesday evening.

For the past four days there has been a virtual deadlock betwen King Birendra and the interim government over the promulgation of the new constitution.

The king, who was given the draft of the constitution - prepared by a panel and further refined by the interim government - wanted what reports said were ''major changes'' in the draft before it was promulgated.

These changes included greater power to the monarch and sovereignty vested jointly in the people and the king.

Except for some minor points, the Nepalese government has rejected the king's proposals, and the deadlock has been the result.

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#90297d1440 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAVANA (OCT. 24) - A cuban aircraft carrying 24 passengers and seven crew crashed on landing at Santiago de Cuba airport Wednesday, Cuba's Prensa Latina news agency reported.

There was no immediate information on whether anyone survived the crash of the Yak-40 plane belonging to Cubana de Aviacion airline.

The aircraft was on a domestic flight from Camaguey to Santiago de Cuba about 900 kilometres east of the capital Havana.

The government has set up a commission of inquiry.

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#90297d1590 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Ankara (OCT. 24) - Turkish President Turgut Ozal said here Wednesday his country would lose economically after the end of the Gulf crisis because it has been actively supporting the United Nations embargo against Iraq.

Turkey could not hope to regain Iraq as an export market or a source of crude oil because Ankara had cut Iraq's vital oil pipelines to the Mediterranean Sea he told Western businessmen.

The United States, Europe and Japan should therefore help Turkey, he noted. Unrestricted trade would be preferable to aid.

Ozal voiced hopes that the embargo against Iraq would force it to pull out of Kuwait, and he warned that ''disregard for the embargo by a single country would encourage Iraq in its intransigence and aggravate risks of war''.

Meanwhile, a military prosecutor Wednesday indicted a Turk for spying for Iraq.

Ahmet Alver, a former oil industry official, had provided information about Turkish air bases, refineries and oil pipelines to Iraqi military attaches in Ankara in return for money, the prosecutor said.

Alver was arrested in September and reportedly confessed later to secret service officials that he had been trained in Baghdad for two weeks on espionage techniques. Alver's trial is to begin on November 13. He faces up to 24 years in prison if found guilty.

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#90297d1610 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 24) - The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (Unesco) Wednesday decided here to discuss the alleged Iraqi destruction of Kuwait's culture.

Unesco's executive council accepted a Kuwaiti call to hold a meeting on ''Iraq's destruction of educational, cultural and scientific installations''.

It said the planned gathering would also debate Unesco's possibilities to help implement the U.N.-ordered sanctions on Iraq to force it to withdraw from Kuwait.

Reports said Iraqi troops had been dismantling Kuwaiti school and university installations as well as confiscating artifacts from Kuwait's national museum.

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#90297d1690 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHARTOUM (OCT 24) - Sudanese government troops fought a fierce battle with the Sudan People's Liberation Army (Spla) near the southern town of Yei, 160 kilometres south-west of Juba, capital of southern Sudan, a military source told the Sudan News Agency (Suna) Wednesday.

The report did not say when the fighting took place but said 22 Spla soldiers were killed and a great number of them wounded in the battle. On the government side, the source said, only one soldier was injured.

The report added that nine rifles, one mortar and many rounds of ammunition were captured from the Spla.

Last monday a military source said the government-supported paramilitary force known as the Friendly Force had killed 37 Spla rebels at Melut, in the Upper Nile region of southern Sudan.

Observers said the reports indicated that that the ceasefire declared by the Sudanese leader, General Omer Beshir, to allow the immunisation of children in the war-affected zones, was not holding.

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#90297d1740 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUDAPEST (OCT 24) - A summit meeting of the Warsaw Pact scheduled here on November 3 and 4 was indefinitely postponed Wednesday at Moscow's request.

Hungarian Foreign Minister Janos Hermann, who announced the postponement, gave no details of the Soviet request. The meeting had been due to discuss the future of the Soviet-lead Eastern European alliance.

The Hungarian news agency Mti quoted well-informed sources as saying that the summit meeting would be held after the European security conference in Paris from November 19 to 21.

Hermann dismissed suggestions - as did official sources in Prague - that the postponement had been prompted by a recent call by Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel for the disbanding of the Warsaw Pact.

Prague sources said the postponment was chiefly the result of the unclear political situation in Moscow, especially the position of Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov.

In Warsaw, newspapers quoted the Polish news Pap as saying that Moscow took the view that the Budapest summit meeting should be held after the Paris conference at which both the Warsaw Pact and the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato) intended to declare an end of the ''hostile attitude'' towards each other.

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#90297d1880 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT 24) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,400.50 (1,388.50) 1,387.50 (1,374.50)
Lead 382.00 (380.00) 383.50 (384.50)
Zinc Sh 1,338.50 (1,337.50) 1,334.50 (1,336.50)
Tin 6,215.00 (6,285.00) 6,221.00 (6,285.00)

Aluminium 1,917.50 (1,925.50) 1,776.00 (1,789.00)
Nickel 8,800.00 (9,050.00) 8,437.50 (8,662.50)

(the last three in dollars per ton)

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#90297d2040 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT 24) - President George Bush has asked Israel to cooperate with a U.N. mission charged with probing the deaths of 22 Palestinians killed by Israeli police two weeks ago.

Bush sent the message in a delicately phrased letter Tuesday to Israeli Prime Minister Itzhak Shamir, a State Department spokeswoman said.

The letter offered condolences on the stabbings of at least five Jews in the aftermath of the killings, and restated concerns that Israeli events not divert attention away from Iraq.

The spokeswoman said Bush also made a point of saying he would prefer Israel's cooperation with a mission to be sent by U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to probe the incident.

The U.N. Security Council passed a resolution last week condemning Israel for using excessive force in the killings, which occurred October 8 in response to the stoning of Jewish worshippers at the Western Wall.

Shamir's cabinet rejected the resolution and refused to cooperate with a U.N. probe. The Security Council was to meet Wednesday afternoon to consider a second resolution responding to the Israeli refusal.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said deliberation over the resolutions had ''diverted attention from where we feel attention should be placed, which is on Iraq and on the Gulf.''

She said she also hoped tensions would ''rapidly calm down'' in Israel so borders between Israel and the occupied West Bank and Gaza strip could be reopened.

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BEIRUT (OCT 24) - Israeli warplanes late Wednesday raided the Palestinian refugee camp of Rashidiyeh in southern Lebanon, Palestinian sources here said.

The planes bombed the camp, 85 kilometres (50 miles) south of Beirut, at around 8 p.m. (1800 GMT), the sources said. There were no immediate reports of casualties or damage.

It was the first Israeli air raid on Palestinian positions in Lebanon since July 6.

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WASHINGTON (OCT 25) - Israel has rejected an appeal by U.S. President George Bush that it cooperate with a U.N. investigation into the killing of Palestinian protesters in Jerusalem, U.S. officials said Wednesday.

Mr. Bush sent a letter to Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir Tuesday asking him to change his position before the U.N. Security Council votes on a resolution deploring his government's refusal to receive the U.N. mission, the White House said.

The U.S. officials, who declined to be named, said late Wednesday that Israel's response to the appeal was negative, setting the state for a U.N. Security Council vote later Wednesday.

The mission appointed by U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar was to investigate a riot on Jerusalem's Temple Mount October 8 in which police opened fire on Palestinian protesters, killing 22. The protestors were throwing stones at orthodox Jews praying at the city's Wailing Wall.

Israel says such a mission would violate its sovereignty.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Mr. Bush asked Mr. Shamir in the letter to cooperate with the U.N. mission while expressing his condolences over the deaths of three Israelis killed in a knife attack by a Palestinian.

At the State Department, spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said the letter also restated U.S. policy that "it is important for all of us to have the focus back on Iraq."

"And yes, there is a portion of the letter that says, which the president has said publicly, that our preference would be, if they can find a way to let the secretary general's mission come to Israel," she said.

The U.N. Security Council Tuesday gave the United States 24 hours to get Israel to drop its refusal to accept the U.N. mission.

The Security Council was supposed to vote Wednesday on a resolution deploring Israel's position and asking it to receive the mission, which was to report back to the council by the end of the month.

Ms. Tutwiler declined comment on whether the United States would vote in favor of such a resolution.

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#90297d3540 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON, (OCT 24) - President George Bush hosts leaders of 11 Pacific island nations in an unprecedented Honolulu summit Saturday that will focus on environmental issues as well as economic and security cooperation.

A senior administration official said the parley, to be held at the East-West Center of the University of Hawaii, reflected "the president's strong personal interest in the region" and the U.S. "interest in the development of these new democracies in a region that that we consider as part of our extended family."

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, was referring to the presence of the U.S. state of Hawaii and the U.S. territories of Guam, American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariannas in a region of great strategic importance to Washington.

The eleven confirmed participants are Prime Minister Geoffrey Henry of the Cook Islands; Prime Minister Ratu Sir Kamisee Mara of Fiji; President Ieremia Tabai of Kiribati; President Amata Kabua of the Marshall Islands; President John Haglelgam of the Federated States of Micronesia; President Bernard Dowiyogo of Nauru; Prime Minister Rabbie Namaliu of Papua New Guinea; Prime Minister Solomon Mamaloni of the Solomon Islands; King Taufa'ahau Tupou IV of Tonga; Prime Minister Bikenibeu Paeniu of Tuvalu; and Prime Minister Tofilau Alesana of Western Samoa.

Premier Sir Robert Rex of Niue declined the Bush invitation while Prime Minister Walter Lini of Vanuatu has yet to respond.

High on the agenda of the four-hour meeting will be the safety of the U.S. chemical weapons destruction facility on Johnston atoll, located about 800 miles (1224 kilometers) south-southwest of Hawaii.

The 15 members of the South Pacific Forum -- a regional grouping -- have expressed concern about the environmental impact of burning the aging U.S. chemical stocks, including some that are being moved from storage sites in West Germany.

To allay these fears, Washington has sent briefing teams to 11 of the 15 South Pacific Forum nations. In September, a delegation of Forum leaders discussed the issue in Washington with senior U.S. officials.

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#90297d3630 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT 24) - BP-Exploration and Statoil oil company announced on Wednesday that they have signed a memorandum of understanding with the Soviet

Energy Ministry to carry out a joint feasibility study on oil exploration and operations in the Caspian Sea.

The study relates to the Azeri oilfield, in the Caspian 150 kms (90 miles) southeast of Baku. The two companies said the study might lead to joint operation of the field.

On August 28, BP (British Petroleum) and Statoil announced conclusion of a "strategic alliance" in the interest of oil exploration in several countries, including the Soviet Union.

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#90297d3660 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK, United Nations (OCT 24) - The U.N. Security Council Wednesday unanimously adopted a resolution deploring Israel's refusal to admit a U.N. mission to investigate the October 8 shooting deaths of 21 Palestinians by Israeli police.

The council called on the Israeli Government to reverse its decision and insisted that it conform to resolution 672 passed October 13 which condemned Israel for the shootings and called on lU.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to dispatch an investigative mission.

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#90297d3740 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HAVANA (OCT 24) - A Cuban airliner carrying 31 people on a domestic flight crashed in eastern Cuba Wednesday, killing at least ten passengers and injuring 12 others, the Cuban news agency AIN reported.

The Soviet-made, triple-engine (eds. correct) Yak-40 went down as it was preparing to land at Santiago, 960 kilometers (630 miles) east of Havana. It was carrying 24 passengers and a crew of seven.

Five of the dead were five Cubans, four were German tourists and the nationality of the 10th was not immediately known.

The 12 injured were Spaniards, three of them in critical condition, AIN reported.

Helicopters were used in the rescue operation because the rough, hilly terrain around the crash site made it inaccessible to vehicles, AIN said.

The plane had taken off early Wednesday from Camaguey, a city half-way between Havana and Santiago.

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BEIJING (OCT. 24) - China is threatened by a new round of inflation unless the central government keeps a firm grip on the economy, the State Statistical Bureau said Wednesday.

The warning came a day after Chen Jinhua, minister of the State Commission for Restructuring the Economy, said Beijing planned to tightened its control over the economy as it leads China into a new era of reforms.

State Statistical Bureau spokesman Zhang Zhongji told a press conference that due to injections of cash into the economy to pull China out of a near-recession, "the potential for inflation will increase."

"Therefore, macro adjustment (of the economy) should be further improved and enhanced," he told a press conference, referring to greater central government control.

While the government would continue to relax the austerity program it began two years ago, "aggregates shall be kept under control in order to avoid another overheated economy, and inflation rebounding," he said.

Retail prices increased by an average 2.3 per cent between January and September compared to the same period last year, a far cry from the double-digit rises that sent China's economy into crisis in 1988.

China careened to the brink of recession as a result of inflation-fighting austerity measures imposed by Premier Li Peng, which included a squeeze on credit and a halt to most capital spending projects.

Mr. Chen told a blue-ribbon group of Chinese and international business leaders Tuesday that China's new Five-Year Plan would see Beijing gradually end price controls, letting market forces take over.

But he made it clear that the central government and its economic planners would retain their control over reforms, to the detriment of provinces that have been seeking greater autonomy from Beijing.

"Central macro-regulation must be made more scientific, authoritative and effective," Mr. Chen was reported as saying by the official New China News Agency.

Diplomats say a fierce debate over the degree of central control is a major reason why the Communist Party central committee has yet to meet to approve the Five-Year Plan.

The plenum now is expected to take place in December.

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#90297d8360 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HONG KONG (OCT. 24) - Hong Kong's Trade Development Council (TDC) will organise its first trade mission to South Africa in January in a bid to diversify its export market, a TDC spokesman said Wednesday.

The spokesman said a score of Hong Kong firms were expected to join the 10-day mission.

Hong Kong lifted voluntary sanctions against South Africa on investments, loans and tourism in August, after the release from jail of African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela, but mandatory sanctions affecting imports of iron and steel and gold coins remain in place.

The mission to South Africa, traditionally one of Hong Kong's top trading partners, is seen as part of a bid to reduce dependency on the U.S. market.

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#90297d8390 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOI (OCT. 24) - The Vietnamese government last month approved 11 new foreign investment projects worth a total 104.2 million dollars, the Nhan Dan newspaper reported.

The foreign share in the 11 projects -- including five in the industrial sector, two in the transport sector and one each in tourism, fisheries, agriculture and construction -- was worth 68 million dollars, it said.

Nhan Dan said that excluding oil exploration projects, the ventures set up in September were much larger than those approved in the three previous months.

The newspaper cited as one example a Soviet coffee growing and processing project with a capital of 43 million dollars.

A total 193 projects worth some 1.311 billion dollars -- 822 million dollars of it provided from overseas -- have been approved between December 1987, when a new foreign investment code came into effect, and the end of September 1990.

U.S. firms, however, are still barred from trading with Vietnam under an embargo slapped on Hanoi after the reunification of the communist north with the U.S.-backed south in 1975.

Other Western nations have limited but growing trade with Vietnam.

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#90297d8470 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 24) - Japan is to extend a grant-in-aid of up to 900 million yen (seven million dollars) to Mozambique for increased food production, the Foreign Ministry said Wednesday.

With this aid, the Mozambique government is to procure fertilizer, agricultural chemicals and farm machinery necessary for increased production of maize, rice and wheat, especially in northern Mozambique, it said.

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#90297d8480 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (OCT. 24) - Singapore authorities expect a new sharp rise in oil trading in the island republic, which has already become the world's third largest trading center after New York and London.

Trade and Industry Minister Lee Hsien Loong said Tuesday the market here took off after 38 oil firms accepted Singapore's offer to set up trading headquarters under the Approved Oil Trader (AOT) scheme.

The AOT scheme, administered by the Trade Development Board, was introduced in January 1988 and offers a concessionary 10 per cent tax rate on income from international trading activities for five years.

Brigadier General Lee, speaking at an AOT certificate presentation ceremony,

said the firms had committed themselves to substantially increasing their oil trading, physical brokering and futures activities in the republic.

He said oil trading was expected to increase by 120 per cent to 53 billion Singapore dollars (31 billion U.S.), although he gave no time frame.

Physical brokering was expected to rise nearly seven-fold to 5.5 billion dollars (3.5 billion U.S.) and futures trading in Singapore International Monetary Exchange from zero to 6.6 billion dollars (3.9 billion U.S.), he said.

Brig. Gen. Lee, Premier Lee Kuan Yew's son, added that these companies which served markets stretching from the East of Suez to the West Coast of America would generate spin-offs for related sectors of Singapore's economy.

"With its strategic location at the crossroads of the major Asia Pacific trade and shipping routes, Singapore enjoys the natural advantage of a global trading center," he said.

"Any international firm wishing to set up oil trading operations today in Singapore will be able to plug in to our global transport and telecommunication network."

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#90297d8490 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 24) - Japan will offer to scrap tariffs on an additional 58 products on a mutual basis, on top of a total of 3,152 products already pledged, government officials said Wednesday.

They hoped that the step to be taken on condition that other industrialized countries follow suit will act as a spur toward final agreement in the Uruguay Round of trade-liberalizing talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

The 58 new items include chemical, steel, aluninium and paper products.

Japan pledged to abolish tariffs on the earlier 3,152 products at a meeting with trade ministers from Canada, the European Economic Community (EEC) and the United States held two weeks ago in St. John's, Canada.

In the latest offer to GATT negotiating groups concerning tariffs and non-tariff barriers, Japan will also offer not to impose any tariffs on 10 items, including such raw materials as manganese and tungsten, keeping their current tariff-free status, the officials said.

But Japan will make it clear that it does not accept the EEC's request that it shoul scrap import quotas on leather products, they said.

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#90297d8600 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOI (OCT. 24) - Vietnamese industry is not using investment efficiently and many firms are in a critical shape, the official Nhan Dan newspaper commented Wednesday.

The daily said labor, raw materials and technology were the major factors determining production efficiency, adding that in recent years efficiency had not been studied carefully enough before investment of large sums of money.

As a result "this capital has not been able to increase in value."

Equipment was being used at less than 60 percent of capacity, while costs of materials in the industrial sector had grown from 61.2 percent in 1986 to 71.3 percent in 1989.

Fixed assets had fallen in value and were not being renewed while the sector also suffered from backward technology compared to that in other countries.

The newspaper said that 80-90 percent of industrial establishments at district level, 50-60 percent of firms at provincial level and 15-20 percent of national level companies are in a critical situation.

They are loss-making, in debt and insolvent and "are unable to determine their production orientation," while their products are shoddy and cost prices heavy. The main reason for this was a lack of technology and technical expertise.

"The big lesson for industrial establishments is that to be able to keep running and develop there are no other options, other than overhauling management, than to stress investment in depth to improve and renew... equipment and technology," the newspaper ediorial said.

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#90297d8610 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 24) - South Korea's top auto maker Hyundai opened its third auto plant in the industrial city of Ulsan, capable of manufacturing annually 240,000 new 1,500-1,600cc passenger cars named Elantras, Hyundai announced Wednesday.

With the operation of the new plant, Hyundai can now annually manufacture one million motor vehicles to become the world's 10th ranking auto maker, the announcement said.

It took two years to complete the construction of the third plant at a cost of 410 billion won (569 million dollars). It will also produce DOHC (double overhead camshaft) engines, the announcement said.

Industrial sources said South Korea's overall annual automobile production capacity now stands at two million units, by taking into account Kia's 530,000, Daewoo's 400,000, and two other small auto makers.

Last year, South Korea produced 1.12 million units, and plans to make 1.32 million units this year, 370,000 of them for export, the sources added.

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#90297d8680 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANTIAGO (OCT. 24) - Saying that Chile cannot continue as two countries, one rich, the other poor, Finance Minister Alejandro Foxley has announced plans to boost programs for the poor and to spur investment in the private sector.

In a speech broadcast late Tuesday by radio and television networks, Mr. Foxley said that the government of President Patricio Aylwin would persist in its economic belt-tightening to control inflation "without retreats or vacillations."

"In Chile there can no longer coexist two countries, one rich and developed, the other poor and underdeveloped," he said. "This government is virtually

committed to integrate all Chileans in development."

To help the poorest Chileans, he said the government would increase spending in education, health, housing and social programs by 900 million dollars above the 1990 budget inherited in March from Mr. Aylwin's predecessor, General Augusto Pinochet.

"We are dedicating our best efforts to improve the condition of the most poor. We are opening channels for the middle class to rise," he said.

Rising gasoline prices in the wake of the Gulf crisis have complicated Chile's economy, he noted. The price spiral already accounts for an extra 700 million dollars spent this year, since Chile imports 85 percent of the petroleum it consumes, he explained.

Mr. Foxley also announced the goverment would stimulate investment in the private sector to encourage new jobs.

"We are going to push toward the integration of Chile in the world economy. We are going to modernize this country, so that all Chileans may benefit," he said.

He emphasized that the government would not favor any particular group and the importance of maintaining economic order.

"We are not going to spend more than we have. We are not going to give in to any demands that the country cannot rationally finance," he said in an appeal for Chileans to cooperate in the economic plan.

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#90297d9170 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 24) - The price of Brent North Sea oil continued to rise in early trading here on Wednesday supported by U.S. statistics showing a fall in weekly U.S. oil stocks.

The American Petroleum Institute said late on Tuesday that stocks of crude oil held in the United States had fallen by 2.9 million barrels and that stocks of petrol had fallen by 3.3 million barrels.

These figures strengthened the view that the market had been oversold, and the price of Brent for December delivery rose to 28.90 dollars a barrel compared with 28.45 dollars a barrel at the close on Tuesday.

On Monday the price of Brent had fallen by more than five dollars as market traders perceived an easing of the position of Saudi Arabia regarding an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait. But Saudi Arabia subsequently published a statement that its policy demanding an immediate and total withdrawal from Kuwait had not

changed.

Barclays de Zoete Wedd analyst Lucy Haskins said that the market was "now waiting for further news from the Gulf" and that "prices would go over 30 doLlars easily if there was a deterioration of the situation in the Gulf".

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#90297d9230 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 24) - Directors of the cash-starved Anglo-Turkish trading group Polly Peck International were under growing pressure to appoint administrators early on Wednesday, sources close to creditors said here.

Meanwhile board members prepared for a progress report on attempts to save the stricken conglomerate.

Asil Nadir, chairman and chief executive of the fresh fruit to electronics company, was due to tell the board later on Wednesday whether he had been successful in raising funds to cover short-term debts on his return from a trip to Turkey and his native Northern Cyprus.

Creditor sources were expecting a report to them from Mr. Nadir soon after the board meeting. No statement on the likelihood of success was available from Polly Peck.

The amount of cash which would satisfy creditors for the time being has not been released, but reliable estimates put the sum at around 30 million pounds (60 million dollars). The company's long-term indebtedness is believed to exceed one billion pounds (two billion dollars).

Failure to convince creditors of the company's long-term viability could result in the board being forced to appoint administrators -- a legal move designed to protect creditors which removes control from a company's directors.

A steering committee of major creditors, mostly banks, recently gave Polly Peck until November 9 to find the cash to cover short-term commitments, but some creditors have already broken ranks.

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HANOI (OCT. 24) - Vietnam welcomed Wednesday the decision by the European Economic Community (EEC) to forge diplomatic ties with Hanoi.

"We welcome the EEC decision to establish diplomatic relations with Vietnam and believe such ties are in the interests of Vietnam and the EEC countries as well as the tendency towards strengthening cooperation and development in the world," a Foreign Ministry official said.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas told reporters in Luxembourg on Monday that EEC foreign ministers meeting there had decided on "improved diplomatic and economic relations" with Vietnam.

Diplomatic sources said the move was made possible by Vietnam's troop withdrawal from Cambodia 13 months ago and Hanoi's willingness to cooperate with Britain over the problem of boat people in Hong Kong.

Vietnam first requested the establishment of official relations with the 12-state EEC in September 1987.

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#90297d9420 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (OCT. 24) - Namibian opposition parties Wednesday sharply criticized the appointment of a former guerilla commander, accused of torturing dissidents and alleged spies, as army commander.

The defence ministry on Tuesday announced Major General Solomon "Jesus" Hawala had been named army commander, effective immediately.

Maj. Gen Hawala headed security for military wing of the ruling South West African People's Organisation (SWAPO) before Namibian independence on March 21. He was widely blamed for the murder, torture and disappearance of hundreds of Namibians in SWAPO camps in Angola and Zambia.

He has been dubbed the "Butcher of Lubango", after a town in southern Angola where a SWAPO camp was located.

The opposition Democratic Turnhalle Alliance (DTA) said in a statement that the appointment was "surely not in the best interest of Namibia".

The Alliance recalled that almost every family in Namibia had been touched in some way by the almost 23-year guerilla war waged against the South African occupiers and that "the wounds on both sides are still fresh".

Last month the influential Africa Confidential newsletter said the move to appoint Maj. Gen Halawa had deepened divisions within SWAPO, leading several ministers, including Prime Minister Hage Geingob, to threaten to resign.

In a strongly-worded statement, Namibia's National Society for Human Rights (NSHR) also condemned the appointment, saying "Mr. Hawala is well-known...because of his supervision over the notorious SWAPO security service".

The Society called on "the international community, including donor nations and foreign diplomats in Namibia, to take serious note of this irresponsible

and insensitive move".

Last year a United Nations-backed investigation into missing detainees in Zambia and Angola found that 315 people could not be traced and it called for further investigation.

The SWAPO government has stated repeatedly that it released all detainees.

Revelations by returning exiles last year of torture and murder in SWAPO camps cost the organisation thousands of votes in the independence elections of November.

Maj. Gen Halawa's appointment was also condemned by the opposition National Party and the Namibian Patriotic Front.

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KHARTOUM (OCT. 24) - Sudan's military junta has freed 45 political detainees, the armed forces newspaper Al Guwwat al Musalaha reported Wednesday.

They included the number two in the collegial presidency, Idriss el Banna, which was disbanded in last year's June 30 coup, the newspaper said, quoting security services sources.

Mr. Banna, a member of ousted prime minister Sadek el Mahdi's Umma party, was among those immediately jailed when current military ruler General Omar el Beshir took power.

He was subsequently tried for financial irregularities and given a 20-year jail term. When the high court quashed the sentence, the authorities kept him in detention on political grounds.

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#90297d9440 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 24) - Indonesian President Suharto promised Wednesday to punish the editor of the tabloid weekly Monitor for publishing a ''poll'' slandering Islam's Prophet Mohammed.

A spokesman for the influential Islam organisation, Muhammadiyah, quoted Suharto as telling leaders of the group that Monitor's editor, Arswendo Atmowiloto, must take the responsibility for publishing a poll which hurt the feelings of the Moslem community.

The poll of ''50 Most Admired Figures'' in Monitor's October 15 issue placed the Prophet Mohammed below Indonesian ministers and pop singers. President Suharto emerged first on the list.

The Ministry of Information revoked Monitor's publication permit Tuesday. Angry Moslem youths had stormed the Monitor office here Monday causing damage and injuring several people.

Seven university students were detained following the incident while Arswendo was picked up for interrogation by the police.

One Islamic leader took the view that the Monitor publication was more serious than Salman Rushdie's book The Satanic Verses because Monitor spelled out the Prophet's name while Rushdie's book does not.

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#90297d9460 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 24) - Thai police on Wednesday arrested two members of an organization blamed for instigating protests here aimed at bringing down the government, during which a student committed suicide.

Yongyuth Wattanavikorn and Praderm Butrdee, alleged members of the organization known as the Revolutionary Council, were separately arrested after warrants were issued last week, police said.

The Revolutionary Council has called for the setting up of a socialist-style one-party state.

Police said they were still looking for other members of the council, accused of having masterminded rallies by small groups of radical students which took a dramatic turn when one of the students, Thanawut Klingchua, set fire to himself.

The incident occurred October 14 outside Ramkhamhaeng University, on the outskirts of Bangkok, during a demonstration pressing for the resignation of Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan's government. The administration has been shaken by infighting among ministers for the past few months.

Wednesday's arrests brought to nine the number of people detained by police since Mr. Thanawut's self-immolation.

Prime Minister Chatichai is to attend the student's cremation ceremony Thursday at a Buddhist temple in Nakhon Si Thammarat, officials said.

Strict security measures have been mapped out for his visit, an official said.

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#90297d9480 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (OCT. 24) - Iranian spiritual leader Ali Khamenei on Wednesday urged

Moslems to arm Palestinians, congratulated the Palestinian who knifed three Israelis to death in Jerusalem last Wednesday, and condemned Moslems' fear of the United States, Radio Teheran reported.

He called on the "the leaders and peoples of Islamic countries to supply Palestinians with weapons and equipment" and said that "criminal Zionism is the enemy of Islam".

Speaking at a public meeting, he said that "all-out support for the Palestinian Islamic revolt is a religious and imperative duty for all Moslems".

Mr. Khamenei said that "the Islamic comunity must be vigilant in opposing cunning Zionists who have seized part of the territory belonging to Moslems".

If the leaders of Islamic countries and their peoples had been vigilant, the United States would not have been able to save Israel, he said.

The ennemy was not so strong, but Moslems under estimated their strength, he said, and he criticised "the silence of international organisations, supposed defenders of human rights, on the atrocities and crimes committed by the Zionist regime".

He deplored what he termed the fear shown by the leaders of Islamic countries towards America and Israel, and paid tribute to Palestinians who had knifed three Israelis to death in Jerusalem.

"Moslems, wherever they are, must shoulder their responsibilities regarding this important Islamic problem and help those who are fighting against the illegitimate regime in Israel inside and outside Palestine.

Mr. Ali Khamenei said that "Moslems must supply money and arms to the Palestinians and help them with propaganda", adding that "this support is a religious duty until the complete failure of Zionism and of its allies".

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DHAKA (OCT. 24) - Brisk trading and price rises marked the 24th Chittagong tea auction, the BSS news agency reported here Wednesday.

The prices were higher Tuesday in comparison to several past auctions, the agency said, quoting market sources, adding that Iran and East Europeon countries dominated the auction.

Green tea was almost sold out with prices ranging between 72.40 taka (two dollars) and 73 taka (2.02 dollar), while leaf stood at 82 taka (2.27 dollar) respectively per kilogram (2.2 pound).

BSS said 7,190 chests of tea were offered for sale, but gave no other details.

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#90297d9580 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABU DHABI (OCT. 24) - The United Arab Emirates (Uae) and Egypt Wednesday reaffirmed their rejection of Iraq's occupation of Kuwait and called for the withdrawal of Iraqi troops and the reinstatement of the legitimate Kuwaiti government.

The call was made by President Sheikh Zayed Bin Sutlan al Nahyan and Egyptian Presiden Hosny Mubarak during talks on the Gulf crisis and efforts to implement Arab and United Nations resolutions denouncing Iraqs August 2 invasion of Kuwait, the emirates' news agency Wam reported.

''The two leaders reaffirmed their firm and stated stand towards the Iraqi aggression against brotherly Kuwait and their rejection of this aggression and the need for a full and unconditional Iraqi withdrawal and return of the legitimate Kuwaiti government under the leadership of Sheikh Jaber al Ahmed al Sabah,'' Wam quoted a responsible source as saying.

He said Sheikh Zayed expressed appreciation for Egypt's attitude towards the Gulf crisis and described Cairo's its stands as a source of pride for all, according to Wam.

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#90297d9590 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JUBAIL, SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 24) - Economic sanctions against Iraq are "beginning to bite" and Iraqi forces are having difficulties obtaining aviation fuel and lubricants for tanks, British Air Chief Marshal Sir Patrick Hine said here Wednesday.

"I'm not going to say that the application of sanctions is going to bring Saddam Hussein down in the next few weeks or even months," Sir Patrick, the joint commander of British forces in the Gulf, told reporters.

"But life will get more difficult for him as time goes by if we can enforce the embargo effectively, which we appear to be doing at the moment," he said.

"There is some evidence that (sanctions) are beginning to bite," Sir Patrick said. "I think we can see that the refinement of crude oil to aviation fuel, lubricants to tanks and other vehicles is becoming more of a problem."

Sir Patrick noted there was no guarantee the U.N.-imposed sanctions would bring about an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait. He said military and other options were being kept open.

"I can't be confident that the sanctions will work to the extent that they will force him to withdraw from Kuwait," he said. "If after a period of time our political leaders decide they have given him long enough there will be other options open to them."

Sir Patrick said there was no evidence of a partial withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

"He is well dug in in Kuwait," he said. "I can see absolutely no sign at all that he is planning to withdraw from any part of Kuwait.

"There have been fairly regular tactical redeployments of individual units but the overall trend has been toward increasing his military presence in Kuwait and it seems to me that he is determined at the moment to stay there."

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#90297d9610 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 24) - South African Airways (SAA) has cancelled its weekly flight to Lubumbashi, Zaire, for "economic reasons", the airways said in statement published here Wednesday.

SAA reserved the right to resume the flights at any time, the statement said.

The cancellation was to go into effect October 31. SAA and Air Zaire had reached an agreement whereby Air Zaire would operate the LumumbashiJohannesburg route on behalf of both airlines from November 3, the statement added.

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BONN (OCT. 24) - The Saudi Arabian ambassador to Germany, Abbas Faig Ghazzawi said Wednesday his country expected a long stalemate in the Gulf crisis that left room for a negotiated settlement.

Ghazzawi, who said chances of war were diminishing day by day, reiterated Saudi Arabia's support for United Nations resolutions on the crisis.

There could be no negotiations with Iraq until it had withdrawn from Kuwait and allowed the restoration of the legitimate Kuwaiti government, he said, contradicting reports that the Saudis were prepared to accept territorial concessions by the emirate.

Ghazzawi also denied that Saudi Arabia had sought German arms in recent years, saying that repeated statements by German politicians that no weapons would be sent to Riyadh were ''actually offensive''.

''The kingdom has made no applications whatsoever for the purchase of weapons or military equipment from the German government,'' said a statement by the Saudi defence ministry that Ghazzawi made available to the press.

The Saudis said they could buy all the weapons they needed on open world markets.

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TOKYO (OCT. 24) - Japan and the European Commission begin two days of high-level trade consultations here Thursday, but with little hope of making significant headway on crucial issues, officials said Wednesday.

Officials from both sides said the main issue of Japanese car exports to the European Economic Community (EEC), of which the European Commission is the executive arm, is not even on the agenda of the talks.

The talks will include an overview of the international situation, including the effects of the Gulf crisis, of bilateral ties and of progress made within the framework of the bilateral working group on trade issues.

At the working group's latest meeting in Brussels early this month, the European Commission said it regretted continuing disagreements between the two sides and criticized what it termed persistent Japanese protectionism.

One European official said EEC members were likely to make no secret at this week's meeting of their exasperation with what they see as inertia from Japan, which they expect to "once again hide behind GATT."

Japanese officials have so far persistently referred main points of discord in bilateral trade, such as farm products and leather goods, to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

They say it would be useless to deal with such issues before the final meetings in Brussels in December of the Uruguay round of GATT talks.

The Japanese also say the EEC has yet to make suggestions on reducing its own farm subsidies - further reason to reject European accusations of Japanese protectionism.

Japanese officials said, however, that they could make a gesture to the EEC on leather goods, subject to a 60 percent levy by Japanese customs.

But a foreign ministry official here said Tokyo preferred to discuss these matters "once better cooperation is achieved between Japan and the EEC on overall issues."

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SUVA (OCT. 24) - Papua New Guinea and Fiji will ask U.S. President George Bush to grant small Pacific island countries freer trade access with the United States, Papua New Guinea's Foreign Minister Michael Somare said here Wednesday.

Sir Michael said that resource-poor island states, which mainly trade with Australia, New Zealand and South East Asia, hoped Washington would give preferential access for manufactured goods such as textiles.

Heads of 13 Pacific states will meet Mr. Bush during a special summit on Saturday in Hawaii.

On a private visit to Fiji, Sir Michael said superpowers could help island states develop trade.

Papua New Guinea had limited trade with the United States although U.S. firms had large mining and oil interests in his country, he said.

"We don't do much trade with them, they don't buy enough from us. We would like to trade more, especially if we're going into industrialisation."

He said Port Moresby viewed Saturday's summit as "an historic occasion. This is the first time an American president will meet our leaders at one time."

United States Information Service spokeswoman Judith Moon in Suva said that while there is "no fixed agenda for the meeting I would assume regional concerns and general global things from the U.S. perspective" would dominate talks.

There may also be "some concerns" of individual heads of states that they could raise with Mr. Bush, she said.

One topic that could feature prominently is the storage and incineration of U.S. chemical weapons on Johnston Atoll, near Hawaii.

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#90297d9680 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (OCT. 24) - Philippine President Corazon Aquino and congressional leaders agreed at a meeting here Wednesday to implement drastic spending cuts and sell off major state firms to curb the ballooning public sector deficit.

They also agreed in a "budget summit," held against the backdrop of a violent general strike for higher wages, to scrap proposals for new taxes.

Among the firms to be privatized is Philippine Airlines (PAL), the national flag-carrier which last week reported a record profit of 584 million pesos (22.7 million dollars) in its last fiscal year.

"We have decided upon expenditure cuts as the major means by which the consolidated public sector deficit can be reduced," the statement said.

Observers said the agreement appeared to be a defeat for Mrs. Aquino, who had earlier insisted on new taxes rather than slashing government services.

The agreed measures would cut the deficit to 3.4 percent of the gross national product (GNP) for 1991 instead of the projected 5.4 percent of GNP.

In money terms this would cut eight billion pesos (311 million dollars) from the projected deficit for 1990, 55 billion pesos (2.14 billion dollars) from 1991 projections, and lop off 80 billion pesos (3.11 billion dollars) from the "emerging deficit" for 1992.

The statement said the government's privatization program "will be pushed even more vigorously with a specific focus on big-ticket items" such as PAL, Republic Planters Bank, National Steel Co. and two luxury hotels.

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#90297d9710 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SUVA (OCT. 24) - The university lecturer who organised a Hindu ceremony at which a copy of Fiji's new constitution was publicly burned was kidnapped Wednesday, police said.

Assistant Superintendent Romanu Tikotikoca said that senior physics lecturer Anirudh Singh was on his way to teach at the Suva campus of the University of the South Pacific when men aboard a privately registered brown station wagon kidnapped him.

"We had a complaint (from the university) at 9.25 am that this car pulled beside him and the people inside just took off with him," Mr. Tikotikoca said.

Police had mounted a massive search around Suva, he added, "but so far there are no clues."

A spokesman for the university said that security had been stepped up at the campus, but the secretary of the USP Students Association, Alexandra Geabo, said, "If one lecturer can be just picked up by unknown men, anybody can.

"The university has to think seriously about the security and protection of staff and students as well," he said.

The USP Staff Association said it would meet to "consider whether we should

boycott classes until security can promised."

Dr. Singh was one of four lecturers questioned by police after the public burning of the constitution, which guarantees a parliamentary majority and executive power to the country's indigenous Fijian minority.

Dr. Singh told Radio FM96 on Tuesday that "we were exercising our freedom of expression in doing what we did. The only charge that the police can have against us is sedition."

Information Minister Ratu Inoke Kubuabola said after a special cabinet meeting last Friday that the government considered the protest as "treason."

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#90297d9730 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 24) - The New York Mercantile Exchange (Nymex) expects that a new crude-oil futures contract to be launched next year will particularly appeal to Japanese traders, exchange chairman Lou Guttman said Wednesday.

Mr. Guttman said the new contract along with the development of extended trading hours through electronic trading were being considered to fill a major gap in energy-related futures contracts in the Asia-Pacific time zone.

"This will be of particular benefit to the Japanese oil industry, providing better risk-management tools during local business hours," he said.

Mr. Guttman said the exchange hoped to launch the new crude-oil contract, based on a basket of various sour grades, by around the middle of next year.

Nymex, the world's biggest energy futures exchange, currently trades six energy-related contracts based on prices for crude oil, heating oil, unleaded gasoline, propane, residual fuel oil and natural gas.

But the crude contract is based on West Texas Intermediate Crude and other sweet grades including those from from Mexico, Britain, Norway and Nigeria.

Japan imports most of its crude oil from the Gulf and sour grades such as those from Dubai, the mostly commonly quoted in Tokyo, are not deliverable against the existing contract, making hedging activities more complicated.

Mr. Guttman also said that extended trading hours in New York were preferable to links with exchanges in other time zones where turnover was much lower, citing the example of the Singapore International Monetary Exchange.

The Singapore exchange recently introduced the world's first High Sulphur Fuel Oil futures contract but volume has been low, averaging little more than 1,000 contracts a day. That compares with a daily average of more than 96,000

crude-oil futures contracts on Nymex in the nine months to September.

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#90297d9750 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 24) - South Korea cannot become "the next Japan" in the U.S. auto market, but it can look toward Eastern Europe and Asia for buyers, the American vice president of the General Motors-Daewoo joint venture said here Wednesday.

The Japanese auto industry in the 1970s capitalized on a number of historic and economic circumstances that came together in the United States, such as a growing market and an oil crisis, said Robert Stramy.

Japanese manufacturers were able to translate them into an advantage, offering U.S. costumers choices that U.S. automakers had not, and gaining the more than 30 per cent market share they have in the U.S. market, he said.

But today the U.S. market is a "mature market - relatively stable, not growing and not falling rapidly. You cannot expect the U.S. market to have the growth that we've seen from the '70s to the '90s," he said.

"Is there a niche for South Korea to take advantage of in the (U.S.) market? I would propose to you there's no niche any longer," Mr. Stramy said at a luncheon at the the Seoul's Foreign Correpondents' Club.

South Korean cars sold extremely well when they entered the U.S. market en masse in 1986, but within two or three years sales almost went back to what they used to be.

Mr. Stramy said the European market also presented some diffulties, as it has a lot of internal competitors and may erect barriers to exports.

Japan, which is "intent on penetrating the European market," will be in for a backlash for their recent two per cent upsurge in the German market, Mr. Stramy predicted.

"The Europeans went to school on what happened in the States from the '70s to today, they certainly are not going to let the same thing happen to them," he said. "I would imagine that barriers are going to go up against penetration."

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#90297d9760 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 24) - British Telecom (BT) called Wednesday on the British government to introduce greater competition and reduce the amount of regulation in the British telecommunications market.

The company announced details of its submission to the Department of Trade and Industry's review of telecoms policy due to start in November.

BT chairman Iain Vallance called for "more customer choice, more price competition and less protectionism".

The telecoms market in Britain is currently a duopoly of BT and Mercury Communications. BT has 97 percent of the market.

BT said its main concern lies in the area of price flexibility.

Under current regulations BT is obliged to charge all customers at the same rate. According to the company this situation prevents it from offering the bulk discounts to big customers in the highly profitable business sector which Mercury is able to provide.

BT describes the current situation as "substitution rather than competition".

Mercury also has the advantage of being able to supply services to customers of its choice, BT said, whereas BT must supply telephone lines to anyone who wants them at whatever cost under rules laid down for it following its privatisation six years ago.

BT does not object to this obligation, but would like it considered in looking at the company's overall performance.

Furthermore, Mercury can provide a cheaper service on main, busy lines, BT said, because the Mercury network is completely digital, whereas the sheer size of BT's national network has so far prevented full modernisation.

Mercury is however dependent on BT's network in order to provide a comprehensive service to its customers.

In a completely unregulated market BT said it could easily swamp any competitors.

The telecomms market is policed by the government body Oftel - BT wants to see the role of Oftel greatly reduced.

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#90297d9780 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (OCT. 24) - The Secretary-General of the Organisation of African Unity (OAU) has urged the 16-nation Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) to formulate a common position on the Liberian crisis.

"I regret very much that there has not been the consensus which there should be between the ECOWAS countries", Salim Ahmed Salim said in an interview

printed in the latest edition of West Africa, a widely-circulated magazine published in London.

ECOWAS nations needed to overcome differences existing among themselves to ensure the success of any of the community's initiatives, he said.

The organization's decision to send an expeditionary force to Liberia was "timely and very bold", he said, adding that it would be "most unfortunate" to consider the setting up of the force as "simply anglophone against francophone".

Three francophone West African nations -- Burkina Faso, Ivory Coast and Senegal -- have criticised formation of the force, staffed by Nigeria, Ghana, Sierra Leone, Gambia and Guinea.

Their main complaint was that only a full summit of the 16 ECOWAS could create such a body and they have also objected to its offensive role in Liberia.

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#90297d9820 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 24) - About 15 Western hostages held at a military base near Baghdad rioted at the end of last month, according to a British hostage who returned from Iraq Wednesday.

Jim Thompson, 50, was one of the 32 British hostages who returned from Iraq after former British prime minister Edward Heath obtained their release.

Mr. Thompson told a journalist of the respected daily The Times that "we had sadistic guards who would punch the hostages just for the sake of it."

He said "about 15 of us -- Japanese, German, American and British -- rioted on September 29, smashing all the windows, pulling down doors and a fence and chanting 'down, down Saddam'."

Mr. Thompson said they also rioted because "there were no toilets. The food consisted of rice and tomato water, which we discovered we were supposed to use to help soften the stale bread we were fed."

He said the riot surprised the guards, who believed the Westerners were volunteer "human shields." The rioters were returned to their cells by the armed guards, Mr. Thompson said.

He said the day after the riot, an officer asked them why they had demonstrated. Mr. Thompson said a Frenchman replied with an insult. He was taken away by soldiers and was not seen again, Mr. Thompson said, adding he presumed the man was taken to a military court.

-30- 1536
#90297d9840 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TAIPEI (OCT. 24) - Several women legislators proposed castrating repeat sex offenders Wednesday, triggering a heated debate in Taiwan's parliament with their male colleagues, who decided to shelve the issue.

Deputies Hsieh Mei-huey and Chou Chuan of the ruling Kuomintang party suggested revising the Criminal Code to impose mandatory castration of "recidivistic sexual perverts."

Their male colleagues immediately raised objections.

"Castration (of eunuchs) dates back to the Han Dynasty (206 B.C. to 220 A.D.), but we are in the 1990s ... mandatory castration infringes on their human rights," said Chiu Lien-hui, a member of the opposition Democratic Progressive Party.

Ms. Chou retorted: "Women too have rights ... to protect their chastity against incurable sexual perverts."

The male-dominated lawmaking assembly resolved to shelve the proposed revisions and take it up again when the legislature reviews the Criminal Code later this year.

Sex offenders are governed by the section of the Criminal Code dealing with the mentally ill.

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#90297d9890 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIRUT (OCT. 24) - The Lebanese army is soon to deploy throughout Beirut and its suburbs, from which all militias will withdraw, the government announced here Wednesday.

Information Minister Edmond Rizk said after a cabinet meeting the government had decided "to complete the process of extending the authority of the state over greater Beirut."

Roads and positions held by militias would be taken over by the army and civilians would be prevented from carrying the arms, he said.

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#90297d9950 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT. 24) - Highly dangerous radioactive plutonium has been detected in the soil at a disused nuclear waste dump outside Paris located close to a recreation centre for children, the French daily Le Parisien reported

Wednesday.

German experts from Bremen university found 2,153 becquerels of plutonium 239 and 240 in soil taken from the dump at St Aubin, south of Paris, and 98.3 becquerels of plutonium 238 per kilo in four kilos of earth which they analysed at the paper's request.

The radiation levels constituted "an enormous dose", said the paper, noting that the danger threshold was set at 20 becquerels per year. In comparison, levels of plutonium 238 close to France's eastern Creys-Malville nuclear plant measured only 10.6 milli-becquerels.

But the government nuclear agency, the Commissariat a l'Energie Atomique (CEA) said Wednesday in a statement that "nothing in the earth" at the dump posed any danger to the population, and announced "new measures to reassure" people.

The CEA said that if all the plutonium traces were inhaled in the atmosphere, "the annual inhalation would be 0.35 becquerels per year, or far from the annual limit" of 20 becquerels.

The paper contacted Bremen university after an independent French laboratory detected other radioactive materials, such as caesium 137 and uranium 235, which had seeped into the ground from cracked nuclear waste containers stocked in the open air at the Saclay Nuclear Studies Centre, south of Paris.

Five hundred out of a total 4,000 containers on the site had cracked from frost, the paper said.

Plutonium, a nuclear fuel, is highly carcinogenic.

According to the CEA, the centre stocked nuclear waste until 1973, after which the disposal site was closed.

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#90297d9960 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DOHA (OCT. 24) - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak arrived here Wednesday from the United Arab Emirates to discuss the Gulf situation with Qatari leaders, the official news agency QNA reported.

Mr. Mubarak was met at the airport by the emir of Qatar, Sheikh Khalifa bin Hamad al-Thani.

The Egyptian leader during a 24-hour visit to Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates met with the UAE president, Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nayahan. Both men reiterated an appeal to Iraq to withdraw its troops from Kuwait.

Mr. Mubarak was earlier in Saudi Arabia, where he met King Fahd and inspected

some of the 15,000 Egyptian troops deployed in the kingdom to shore up its defenses against a possible Iraqi attack.

The president was expected to visit Oman later Wednesday and was to return to Cairo for a meeting later in the week with visiting Soviet foreign policy specialist Yevgeni Primakov.

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#90297d9970 10/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 24) - French President Francois Mitterrand suspects that Washington tried to test his loyalty over his handling of a Soviet double agent who provided France and the United States with vital information, according to a new biography published Wednesday.

"La Decennie Mitterrand" (the Mitterrand Decade), by Agence France-Presse journalists Pierre Favier and Michel Martin-Roland details the "Farewell" affair of 1981, coinciding with the Socialist president's decision to bring Communist ministers into his new government.

At the July 1981 Ottawa summit of the seven leading industrialised nations, Mr. Mitterrand decided to alert Washington to a Soviet KGB agent, baptised Farewell, who had contacted Paris with information revealing Soviet penetration of the U.S. military complex and developments in Soviet space research.

In an interview with the authors in February last year, Mr. Mitterrand said that U.S. President Ronald Reagan considered the affair to be "the biggest such affair" since World War II.

But while "the Farewell affair reassured the Americans" and showed that France had not "sold out to the Reds", "today I have my doubts".

The president said he wondered whether the information provided by Farewell "did not in fact come from the United States who wanted to test Socialist France in this way, and test me personally.

"I have no proof, but if it were the case, we must have looked like a pair of idiots, (foreign minister Claude) Cheysson and me, in front of Reagan and Haig (U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig) in Ottawa by revealing the affair," he said.

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#90297e0017 10/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Paris (OCT. 23) EFE - French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas Wednesday called for free elections to be held as soon as possible in violence-torn Lebanon, a government spokesman said.

"These elections should be free, clean from force or threats, and be carried out as soon as possible," spokesman Louis Le Pensec quoted Dumas as saying.

The minister said France wanted to see "the free reconciliation of all the Lebanese around the legitimate power".

Dumas added that "himilitias which are challenging the authority and competence of the legal power".

France governed Lebanon from 1920 until independence was declared in 1941, but has continued to play a part in the country's politics.

Lebanon has been ravaged by years of factional violence among Moslems and Christians, while both occupying Syrian and Israeli forces have intervened in the fighting.

Rebel Christian Gen. Michel Aoun was defeated along with his men earlier this month by occupying Syrian forces and Lebanese troops loyal to President Elias Hrawi.

Aoun is now holed up in the French embassy in Beirut. The Lebanese government want the French to hand him over to stand trial for embezzlement but Paris has refused and offered him asylum in France.

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#90297f1975 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 24) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.64	2.65 3/4	2.63 3/4	2.64 3/4	2.63 1/2
Mar	2.78 1/4	2.80	2.78 1/4	2.79	2.78
May	2.85 1/2	2.86 3/4	2.85	2.86 3/4	2.85
Jly	2.89 1/2	2.91	2.88 3/4	2.90 1/2	2.89 1/4
Sep	2.95	2.96	2.93 3/4	2.93 3/4	2.93
Dec	3.05	3.05	3.05	3.05	3.05
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.32 1/4	2.34	2.31 3/4	2.33	2.31 3/4
Mar	2.42	2.43 1/2	2.41	2.42 1/4	2.41
May	2.47 1/4	2.49 1/2	2.47 1/4	2.48 1/2	2.46 3/4
Jly	2.51 1/4	2.53 3/4	2.51 1/4	2.52 3/4	2.50 3/4
Sep	2.50	2.52	2.50	2.51 1/4	2.48 3/4
Dec	2.51	2.52 1/4	2.50 3/4	2.52	2.50 1/4
Mar	2.58 1/2	2.58 1/2	2.58 1/2	2.58 1/2	2.57

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.24 3/4	1.25 1/2	1.24	1.24 1/4	1.24
Mar	1.34 3/4	1.35 1/2	1.33 3/4	1.34 1/4	1.34 1/2
May	1.41 1/4	1.42 1/4	1.41	1.41 1/4	1.41 1/4
Jly	1.48	1.48	1.47	1.47	1.47
Sep	1.52 1/2	1.52 3/4	1.52 1/2	1.52 3/4	1.53

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	6.15	6.16	6.10 1/2	6.10 3/4	6.14 1/2
Jan	6.30	6.31 1/4	6.26	6.26 1/2	6.29 1/4
Mar	6.44	6.45	6.40	6.40 1/2	6.43 3/4
May	6.56 1/2	6.58	6.52 1/4	6.52 3/4	6.56 1/2
Jly	6.66 3/4	6.67 1/2	6.62	6.62 1/4	6.66
Aug	6.65	6.66 1/2	6.61	6.61 1/2	6.65
Sep	6.38 1/2	6.38 1/2	6.34	6.34	6.35 1/4
Nov	6.27 1/2	6.27 1/2	6.24 1/2	6.25 1/4	6.26 1/2
Jan	6.38 1/2	6.38 1/2	6.37	6.37	6.37

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	22.38	22.48	22.22	22.24	22.33
Jan	22.72	22.75	22.50	22.53	22.65
Mar	23.15	23.20	22.95	22.98	23.11
May	23.55	23.55	23.30	23.35	23.45
Jul	23.75	23.75	23.50	23.55	23.65
Aug	23.65	23.68	23.50	23.50	23.55
Sep	23.50	23.50	23.35	23.40	23.45
Oct	23.20	23.25	23.15	23.19	23.25
Dec	23.00	23.05	23.00	23.05	23.17

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	185.50	185.50	183.80	184.30	185.40
Jan	187.30	187.90	186.30	186.60	187.60
Mar	191.20	191.40	189.70	189.80	191.40
May	192.00	192.70	191.10	191.20	192.90
Jul	194.00	194.00	192.50	193.00	194.00
Aug	193.50	193.50	192.50	192.50	193.20
Sep	190.00	190.00	189.10	189.10	189.10
Oct	186.50	186.50	186.00	186.50	186.70

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#90297h0013 10/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA (OCT. 24) XINHUA - EXPRESS MAIL SERVICE WILL BE INTRODUCED BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND ITALY WITH EFFECT FROM NOVEMBER 1, ACCORDING TO A PRESS RELEASE OF THE BANGLADESH GENERAL POST OFFICE.

IN BANGLADESH, THE SERVICE IS AVAILABLE IN METROPOLITAN AREAS OF DHAKA AND

MUNICIPAL AREAS OF OTHER FOUR MAJOR CITIES OF CHITTAGONG, KHULNA, RAJSHAHI AND SYHLIT.

EXPRESS MAIL SERVICE LETTERS, BUSINESS PAPERS, SAMPLES AND MERCHANDISE SENT FROM BANGLADESH WILL BE DELIVERED IN ITALY ON THE SAME DAY OF RECEIPT AND AT OTHER PLACES THE NEXT DAY.

IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE QUICKEST RECEIPT AND DESPATCH OF THE EXPRESS MAIL SERVICE ITEMS BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND ITALY ALL AVAILABLE FLIGHTS OF DIFFERENT AIRLINES WILL BE USED, THE PRESS RELEASE SAID.

BANGLADESH HAS EXPRESS MAIL SERVICE WITH MORE THAN 30 COUNTRIES, ACCORDING TO POST OFFICE OFFICIALS HERE.

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#90297h0028 10/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 24) XINHUA - CHINA HAS BEEN ABLE TO KEEP THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE WITHIN THREE PERCENT THIS YEAR AS INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IS IMPROVING.

ZHANG ZHONGJI, SPOKESMAN FOR THE STATE STATISTICS BUREAU, TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE TODAY THAT THERE ARE ABOUT THREE MILLION JOBLESS PEOPLE IN CHINA, ACCOUNTING FOR THREE PERCENT OF THE TOTAL LABOR FORCE.

HE SAID THAT LAST YEAR'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE STOOD AT 2.6 PERCENT. HE ADMITTED THAT STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISES ARE MARKED BY INEFFICIENCY, WITH LOSSES TOTALLING 20 BILLION YUAN IN THE FIRST THREE QUARTERS OF THIS YEAR, TWICE THE FIGURE FOR LAST YEAR.

THE NUMBER OF ENTERPRISES RUNNING AT A LOSS ACCOUNTS FOR ONE THIRD OF THE TOTAL, HE SAID.

HE BLAMED THIS ON SLUGGISH MARKETS, POOR MANAGEMENT AND STOCKPILES OF GOODS -- ABOUT 120 BILLION YUAN-WORTH.

THUS, HE SAID, THE STATE SHOULD FURTHER IMPROVE THE MANAGEMENT OF ENTERPRISES AND PERFECT THE PRODUCTION RESPONSIBILITY SYSTEM.

THESE ECONOMIC LOSSES HAVE ALSO AFFECTED THE STATE REVENUE, HE SAID. THE STATE'S FINANCIAL REVENUE WAS UP 13.7 PERCENT WHILE EXPENDITURE WAS UP 16.8 PERCENT IN THE FIRST THREE QUARTERS.

HE ESTIMATED THAT THE FINANCIAL DEFICIT WILL RISE TO 10 BILLION YUAN BY THE END OF THIS YEAR.

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#90297h0049 10/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

QUITO (OCT. 23) XINHUA - EMPLOYEES IN ECUADOR'S JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ON MONDAY DECIDED TO INDEFINITELY SUSPEND THEIR NATIONWIDE STRIKE THAT HAD LASTED 19 DAYS.

A UNION SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED THAT EMPLOYEES WOULD GO BACK TO WORK TODAY. HE ALSO WARNED HOWEVER THAT THE STRIKE WAS ONLY SUSPENDED FOR THE MOMENT, AND THAT IT WOULD BE DEFINITIVELY CALLED OFF ONLY AFTER CONGRESS APPROVED THE CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEES COURT (TGC) RULING.

THE STRIKE WAS LAUNCHED ON OCT. 4 TO PROTEST CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION THAT DISMISSED ALL JUDGES AND MAGISTRATES SERVING ON THE NATION'S SUPREME COURT, DISTRICT COURTS AND LITIGATION COURTS.

THE SUSPENSION OF THE STRIKE WAS ANNOUNCED BY A LEADER OF THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF JUSTICE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES AFTER THE PRESIDENT OF THE TGC, EFRAIN ALVAREZ, DECLARED THE CONGRESSIONAL DECISION "UNCONSTITUTIONAL IN FORM AND SUBSTANCE."

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#90297h0051 10/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LIMA (OCT. 23) XINHUA - PERU'S NATIONAL POLICE SEIZED A SMALL PRIVATE PLANE CARRYING A CARGO OF 180 KILOS OF COCAINE PASTE.

POLICE SOURCES SAID MONDAY THAT THE OPERATION TOOK PLACE LAST FRIDAY IN THE AREA OF PUERTO PIZANA, SOME 38 KILOMETERS FROM TOCACHE OF THE SAN MARTIN PROVINCE. THE PLANE WAS READY TO DEPART FOR COLOMBIA WITH FIVE PASSENGERS ON BOARD AT THE MOMENT.

THE POLICE UNIT MOBILIZED THREE HELICOPTERS, WHICH ARE PART OF NEW DRUG-FIGHTING EQUIPMENT DONATED BY THE UNITED STATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ANTI-DRUG TREATY SIGNED WITH PERU.

POLICE IMMEDIATELY TRANSPORTED THE PLANE AND THE FIVE SUSPECTS TO THE "SANTA LUCIA" ANTI-NARCOTICS POLICE BASE.

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#90297h0062 10/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

FREETOWN (OCT. 24) XINHUA - THE NATIONAL PATRIOTIC FRONT OF LIBERIA (NPLF) CLAIMED YESTERDAY THAT ITS FORCE SHOT DOWN THREE MORE NIGERIAN AIR PLANES THREE DAYS AGO.

A SPOKESMAN OF THE FRONT SAID THE PLANES WERE SHOT DOWN WHEN THEY WERE CARRYING OUT BOMBING RAIDS IN MONROVIA, THE CAPITAL CITY OF LIBERIA. THIS BOUGHT TO FIVE THE NUMBER OF NIGERIAN AIRPLANES DOWNED IN LIBERIA IN THE PAST MONTH.

BUT THERE IS NO CONFIRMATION OF THE LOSSES FROM THE FIVE- NATION WEST AFRICAN PEACE-KEEPING FORCE STATIONED IN MONROVIA. NIGERIA IS ONE OF THE FIVE NATIONS WHICH HAVE SENT TROOPS TO LIBERIA IN AN EFFORT TO END THE 10-MONTH-OLD CIVIL WAR IN THE COUNTRY.

THE NPLF LED BY CHARLES TAYLOR IS OPPOSED TO ANY FOREIGN INTERVENTION IN THE LIBERIA WAR.

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#90297h0084 10/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 24) XINHUA - INDO-SOVIET TRADE IS LIKELY TO TOUCH 100 BILLION RUPEES (5.88 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) MARK BY 1992, IF THE SOVIET UNION IS ABLE TO GENERATE SUFFICIENT RUPEE RESOURCES TO IMPORT GOODS FROM INDIA TO BALANCE ITS BILATERAL TRADE.

AN INDICATION TO THIS EFFECT WAS GIVEN HERE ON MONDAY BY ALEXANDER E. GRANOVSKI, THE USSR ECONOMIC COUNSELLOR IN INDIA AT THE MEETING WITH THE MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATED CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY OF INDIA, LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY.

MANAGING COMMITTEE MEMBER OF THE CHAMBERS SRI NATH, WHO PRESIDED OVER THE MEETING, SAID THAT THE INDIAN BUSINESS COMMUNITY WAS KEEN TO KNOW ABOUT THE KIND OF POLICY FRAMEWORK BEING EVOLVED IN THE SOVIET UNION FOR SWITCHING THE ECONOMY TO MARKET MECHANISM. THIS WAS NECESSARY FOR THE INDIAN ENTREPRENEURS TO TAKE LONG TERM BUSINESS DECISIONS, HE SAID.

GRANOVSKI SAID THE SOVIET UNION WAS NOW IN THE PROCESS OF REPLACING THE CONTROLLED AND COMMAND ECONOMY WITH FREE AND COMPETITIVE MARKET SYSTEM. HE STRESSED THAT "SHATALIN PLAN" AND "GOBACHEV PROGRAM" WERE NOT MERE BRILLIANT UTOPIAS, IN FACT THEY REFLECTED THE PRESENT ECONOMIC REALITIES IN HIS COUNTRY.

REFERRING TO THE IMPLICATION OF LIBERALIZATION ON EXTERNAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS, HE SAID THAT THE NEW POLICY WOULD NOT LAY DOWN ANY CEILING ON FOREIGN EQUITY. THE FOREIGN INVESTOR COULD BUY IMMOVABLE PROPERTY, GET LAND ON LEASE AND WOULD HAVE FREEDOM TO EXPORT GOODS IN COMPETITIVE MARKETS AND ALSO SELL IN THE SOVIET UNION.

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Nova (WGBH) October 23, 1990 (Transcript #1713)

The Poisoned Winds of War: The development and use of chemical weapons, especially their recent use by Iraq and possible deployment against U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf, efforts to ban their possession and use, and the tremendous difficulty of disposing of them safely.

Nightline (ABC) October 23, 1990 (Transcript #2457)

Saudi Defense Minister's Comments Cause Stir: The Saudi Defense Minister hints at a deal with Iraq, and Saudi officials say it was all a misunderstanding. Saudi Arabian Ambassador Prince Bandar bin Sultan and Kuwaiti Ambassador Sheikh Saud Nasir al- Sabah discuss whether there is something more to the story.

Crossfire (CNN) October 23, 1990 (Transcript #167)

What's Pumping Oil Prices?: Democratic Senator Joseph Lieberman, Michael Canes of the American Petroleum Institute and service station owner Chuck Warns discuss the rise and fall of oil prices and whether or not oil companies are taking advantage of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Frontline (PBS) October 23, 1990 (Transcript #903)

The Search for Howard Marks: Howard Marks, British-born and Oxford-educated child of the '60s, became a large-scale marijuana trafficker in the '80s. Doggedly following a frustrating trail of contacts and oblique tapped phone conversations, DEA agent Craig Lovato finally arrests Marks and his associates and brings them to the United States for trial.

Inside Corporate America (FNN) October 23, 1990 (Transcript #68)

Communications Industry Overview: A look at the highly leveraged cable industry, the videocassette market, video hardware, international competition in new technologies and the leaders in the communications industry, such as Comcast Corporation, Century Communications, Blockbuster Entertainment and Go Video.

Larry King Live (CNN) October 23, 1990 (Transcript #156)

''Did the CIA Launder Money?'' (Robert Maxwell, a former bank manager who claims he was told to launder money for the CIA, investigative reporter Stephen Pizzo and author Paul Zane Pilzer discuss possible illegal financial operations conducted by the CIA); ''President Nixon's Private Eye'' (an interview with Tony Ulasewicz, who served for five years as private

investigator to Richard Nixon during Nixon's presidency).

Good Morning America (ABC) October 23, 1990 (Transcript #1137)

Good news in the Gulf?; surrogate parenthood decision; assassination mystery; cash for college; DARE to resist drugs; sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS); new Guinness Book of World Records; autumn in the garden (Part 2); Randy Travis.

Donahue October 23, 1990 (Transcript #3061)

American Wife/Saudi Husband -- Culture Clash: American women who have converted to Islam and married Arab men attempt to explain Islamic culture, and to differentiate it from the varying laws and customs of individual Arab countries. They describe their good and bad experiences with the culture, the faith and the secular legal processes they have encountered.

Sally Jessy Raphael October 23, 1990 (Transcript #557)

I'm Jealous of My Skinny Wife: Guests whose spouses have recently lost a lot of weight discuss their problems with jealousy and their worries that their spouses will leave them for someone more desirable.

Geraldo October 23, 1990 (Transcript #809)

American Children Held Hostage: Mothers whose children were held hostage by their Middle Eastern fathers discuss the pain and difficulty of trying to get their kids back to America with Dr. Michael Saba, founder of the ''Coming Home'' project, and Dr. M.T. Mehdi of the American-Arab Relations Committee.

Oprah Winfrey Show October 23, 1990 (Transcript #1072)

I Hate My Daughter's Boyfriend: Mothers who don't care for their daughters' boyfriends and daughters who ignore their mothers' advice share their feelings of frustration. Dr. Joyce Vedral, author of Boyfriends -- Getting Them, Keeping Them, Living Without Them and My Teenager Is Driving Me Crazy, describes how parents and children can work together to reduce boyfriend-related tensions and negotiate a more satisfying situation for all involved.

Wednesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: The Black Panthers: Then and Now Sally Jessy Raphael: I Was Never My Mother's Favorite Geraldo: Daughters of Legends Oprah Winfrey: Happy 15th Birthday, Good Morning America

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#90297k0026 10/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 24) KYODO - JAPAN'S IMPORTS OF CRUDE OIL IN SEPTEMBER ROSE 9.9 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 108.29 MILLION BARRELS, THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) REPORTED WEDNESDAY.

"THE LOSSES IN SUPPLY DUE TO THE EMBARGOES ON IRAQI AND KUWAITI EXPORTS WERE COMPLETELY OFFSET BY INCREASES IN IMPORTS FROM IRAN AND SAUDI ARABIA," AN MITI OFFICIAL SAID.

SAUDI ARABIA WAS THE LARGEST CRUDE OIL SUPPLIER IN SEPTEMBER, ACCOUNTING FOR 19.30 MILLION BARRELS, OR 17.8 PERCENT OF JAPAN'S TOTAL IMPORTS, UP 36.8 PERCENT FROM THE YEAR-EARLIER LEVEL. ITS SHARE OF JAPAN'S OIL IMPORTS WAS 13.1 PERCENT IN AUGUST.

IMPORTS FROM IRAN SOARED 51.2 PERCENT TO 14.95 MILLION BARRELS, OR 13.8 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL. IRAN'S SHARE CLIMBED FROM 7.5 PERCENT IN AUGUST.

JAPAN DEPENDED ON MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION OF PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES (OPEC) FOR 75.4 PERCENT OF ITS CRUDE OIL SUPPLY.

BEFORE THE CURRENT GULF CRISIS, IRAQ AND KUWAIT COMBINED ACCOUNTED FOR ABOUT 12 PERCENT OF JAPAN'S OIL IMPORTS.

JAPAN'S PRODUCTION OF FUEL OIL IN SEPTEMBER WAS 97.99 MILLION BARRELS, UP 22.4 PERCENT FROM THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

BUT IMPORTS OF FUEL OIL SLUMPED 20.1 PERCENT TO 20.80 MILLION BARRELS DUE TO SPIRALING PRICES OVERSEAS.

DOMESTIC SALES OF FUEL OIL AMOUNTED TO 110.59 MILLION BARRELS, UP 10.8 PERCENT.

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#90297k0032 10/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 24) KYODO - THE FORMER DEPUTY BRANCH MANAGER OF TOKYO-BASED MITSUI TRUST AND BANKING CO. AND THREE OTHERS WERE ARRESTED WEDNESDAY FOR ALLEGEDLY EVADING TAXES OF 1.8 BILLION YEN FOR EARNINGS BY STOCK DEALINGS, OFFICIALS OF THE TOKYO DISTRICT PUBLIC PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE SAID.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE ARRESTED FOUR GAINED THE PROFITS BASED ON INSIDE INFORMATION FROM MITSUHIRO KOTANI, 53, HEAD OF THE KOSHIN GROUP OF STOCK SPECULATORS, WHO WAS ARRESTED AND INDICTED LAST SUMMER FOR MANIPULATING SHARE PRICES.

THIS IS THE SECOND FINANCIAL IRREGULARITY OF A BANK DISCLOSED BY THE PUBLIC PROSECUTORS IN CONNECTION WITH PROVIDING LOANS TO KOTANI. THE PROSECUTORS HAVE ARRESTED A FORMER BRANCH HEAD OF SUMITOMO BANK LTD. FOR HELPING MEDIATE LOANS

TOTALING 22.9 BILLION YEN TO KOTANI ON OCTOBER 5.

THE ARRESTED WERE TSUNETAKA SETO, 48, A FORMER DEPUTY MANAGER OF THE SHIBUYA BRANCH OF THE MITSUI TRUST AND BANKING, HARUKI MATSUO, 40, A FORMER SHIBUYA BRANCH CLERK, NOBUYUKI ITO, 43, A LICENSED TAX ACCOUNTANT, AND TAISUKE KOBAYASHI, 52, A COMPANY EXECUTIVE, THEY SAID.

SETO DID NOT DECLARE HIS EARNINGS OF 1.16 BILLION YEN IN STOCK TRADING AT A TAX OFFICE BETWEEN 1986 AND 1987 AND EVADED SOME 680 MILLION YEN IN TAXES, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

BETWEEN 1987 AND 1988, THE OTHER THREE ALSO EVADED TAXES ON THEIR PROFITS GAINED IN SHARE TRADING, WHICH TOTALED 1.15 BILLION YEN. THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAX EVASION BY THE FOUR CAME TO ABOUT 1.83 BILLION YEN, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

BANK SOURCES SAID THAT THE KOSHIN GROUP ALSO HAD RECIEVED A HUGE AMOUNT OF LOANS FROM THE BANK SINCE 1985 UNDER THE PRETEXT OF OBTAINING LAND AND CONSTRUCTING A BUILDING.

ON OCTOBER 5, A FORMER BRANCH MANAGER OF SUMITOMO BANK WAS ARRESTED, ALONG WITH THE PRESIDENT OF A CONSULTING COMPANY, FOR VIOLATION OF THE INVESTMENT LAW BY FUNNELING 23 BILLION YEN IN LOANS FOR THE KOSHIN GROUP TO USE IN PLAYING THE STOCK MARKET.

SUMITOMO BANK CHAIRMAN ICHIRO ISODA RESIGNED HIS POST TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SCANDAL AT HIS BANK ON OCTOBER 7.

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#90297k0033 10/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 24) KYODO - THE LEADER OF MALAYSIA'S MAIN OPPOSITION DEMOCRATIC ACTION PARTY (DAP), LIM KIT SIANG, HAS QUIT AS DAP SECRETARY GENERAL BECAUSE HIS PARTY FAILED TO WREST CONTROL OF THE PENANG STATE GOVERNMENT IN THE RECENT GENERAL ELECTIONS, HE SAID WEDNESDAY.

PARTY OFFICIALS SAID DAP CHAIRMAN CHEN MAN HIN IS UNLIKELY TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION, SUBMITTED TUESDAY, AND POLITICAL OBSERVERS SAID LIM WILL PROBABLY BE COAXED INTO STAYING ON.

LIM HAS BEEN PARLIAMENTARY OPPOSITION LEADER FOR THE PAST 18 YEARS BY VIRTUE OF BEING PARTY SECRETARY GENERAL, THE DAP'S MOST POWERFUL POSITION.

THE ETHNIC CHINESE-BASED DAP, THE COUNTRY'S MOST CONSISTENT OPPOSITION PARTY FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS, JOINED AN OPPOSITION COALITION PUT TOGETHER BY PRIME MINISTER MAHATHIR MOHAMAD'S ARCHRIVAL RAZALEIGH HAMZAH IN AN UNSUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO TOPPLE THE POWERFUL NATIONAL FRONT GOVERNMENT.

DAP WON 20 SEATS, DOWN FROM THE 24 IT HAD WHEN THE LAST PARLIAMENT WAS

DISSOLVED.

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#90297k0058 10/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 24) KYODO - THE BANK OF JAPAN NOTIFIED MONEY MARKET PARTICIPANTS WEDNESDAY THAT IT WILL SELL 500 BILLION YEN OF FINANCING BILLS (FBS) ON THURSDAY UNDER "GENSAKI" REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS, ACCORDING TO MARKET SOURCES.

THE FBS, SHORT-TERM GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, WILL BE BOUGHT BACK BY THE CENTRAL BANK ON NOVEMBER 9.

PARTICIPANTS GENERALLY INTERPRETED THE OPERATION AS AN INDICATION OF THE CENTRAL BANK'S NEUTRAL CREDIT STANCE AIMED AT DRAINING EXCESS CASH EXPECTED ON THURSDAY.

THE YIELD IN RESELLING THE BILLS BY MONEY BROKERS TO BANKS AND SECURITIES FIRMS WAS SET AT 7.9387 PERCENT, THEY SAID.

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#90297k0059 10/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 24) KYODO - THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC) HAS ASKED JAPAN TO REDUCE IMPORT TARIFF RATES ON LEATHER SHOES TO ONE THIRD OF THE PRESENT RATE AT THE MAXIMUM, GOVERNMENT SOURCES SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE EC MADE THE PROPOSAL FOR A TARIFF RATE CUT THROUGH THE URUGUAY ROUND OF MULTILATERAL FREE TRADE TALKS BEING HELD UNDER THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT), THE SOURCES SAID.

THE PROPOSAL WAS MADE BY THE 12-NATION EC SHORTLY AFTER AN OCTOBER 15 DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING PROPOSALS FOR REDUCING PROTECTIONIST MEASURES BY WORLD TRADE NEGOTIATORS.

IN RESPONSE TO THE EC DEMAND, JAPAN WILL MAKE ITS POSITION CLEAR THAT THE COUNTRY WILL NOT COMPLY WITH A PLAN TO DISMANTLE THE TARIFF QUOTA SYSTEM CURRENTLY APPLIED TO LEATHER SHOES AND OTHER LEATHER PRODUCTS, THEY SAID. THE QUOTA IS SET AT 4.12 MILLION PAIRS IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, ENDING MARCH 31 1991.

THE ISSUE IS LIKELY TO COME UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT WHEN EC AND JAPANESE TRADE NEGOTIATORS MEET IN TOKYO AT A TWO-DAY WORKING-LEVEL SESSION BEGINNING ON THURSDAY, THE SOURCES SAID.

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#90297k0062 10/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 24) KYODO - BASEBALL MAGAZINE SHA CO. SAID ON WEDNESDAY IT HAS

FORMED A JOINT VENTURE WITH A MONGOLIAN GROUP TO PROMOTE TOURISM AND SPORTS BETWEEN JAPAN AND MONGOLIA.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME FOR A JAPANESE COMPANY TO TIE UP WITH A MONGOLIAN CONCERN. THE NEW VENTURE, HASHBALL CO., WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 200,000 DOLLARS ON A 50-50 BASIS.

THE COMPANY WILL BE BASED IN THE MONGOLIAN CAPITAL OF ULAN BATOR AND PROMOTE BILATERAL EXCHANGE OF SPORTS, SUCH AS THE INTRODUCTION OF JAPANESE BASEBALL IN MONGOLIA AND MONGOLIAN WRESTLING IN JAPAN.

IT ALSO PLANS TO UNDERTAKE PUBLISHING AND SIGHTSEEING VENTURES IN MONGOLIA, AS WELL AS EXPORTS OF WOOL, LEATHER AND STONE PRODUCTS TO JAPAN, THE JAPANESE PUBLISHING FIRM SAID.

MONGOLIA INTRODUCED LAWS THIS YEAR TO INVITE FOREIGN INVESTMENT TO BACK ITS ECONOMIC REFORMS NOW UNDERWAY.

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#90297k0066 10/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (OCT. 24) KYODO - PROSECUTORS ON WEDNESDAY INDICTED A FORMER POLICE OFFICER FOR ALLEGEDLY TAKING BRIBES FROM TWO GANGSTERS IN RETURN FOR TIPPING THEM OFF TO CRACKDOWN OPERATIONS.

THE POLICE CORRUPTION TRIGGERED FIVE DAYS OF RIOTS IN A SLUM AREA OF OSAKA IN EARLY OCTOBER, INJURING 186 PEOPLE.

TSUTOMU HAGA, 39, A FORMER POLICEMAN AT NISHINARI POLICE STATION, WAS CHARGED WITH RECEIVING A TOTAL OF 6 MILLION YEN LAST YEAR FROM KATSUMI AKAI, 47, A LOCAL GANG LEADR, AND KIYOTSUGU WATANABEN A SENIOR MEMBER OF ANOTHER GANG, IN EXCHANGE FOR NFORMATION ON POLICE CRACKDOS ON ILLEGAL BOOKMAKING. PROSECUTORS SAID HAGA AND HE TWO GANGSTERS HAVE ADMITTE THE CHARGES.

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#90297k0068 10/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 24) KYODO - JAPAN'S LONG-TERM CREDIT BANKS SAID WEDNESDAY THEY HAVE DECIDED TO LOWER THE LONG-TERM PRIME LENDING RATE BY 0.6 PERCENTAGE POINT TO 8.3 PERCENT FROM NOVEMBER 1.

THE FIRST CUT SINCE THE END OF MAY IS IN RESPONSE TO THE PLUNGE IN YIELDS ON BONDS RESULTING FROM THEIR RECENT STRONG PERFORMANCE.

THE LONG-TERM PRIME RATE, AT WHICH JAPAN'S LONG-TERMEDIT BANKS LEND THEIR LOANS O THEIR BEST CUSTOMERS, IET 0.6 PERCENTAGE POINT VE THE RATE ON FIVE-YEAR EREST-BEARING BANK DEBENTUES.

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#90297k0069 10/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 24) KYODO - TOUGH GOING IS PREDICTED FOR NEGOTIATIONS BY THE ORGANIZATION FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT (OECD) SHIPBUILDING PANEL OVER A REDUCTION OF GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIES TO THE SHIPBUILDING INDUSTRY, GOVERNMENT SOURCES SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE POOR PROSPECTS DEVELOPED AS A RESULT OF A PROPOSAL BY THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY THAT JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA LOWER PRICES OF VESSELS BUILT IN THEIR COUNTRIES IN LINE WITH A PROVISION OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE FOR PREVENTION OF DUMPING, THEY SAID.

THE JAPANESE SHIPBUILDING INDUSTRY IS TAKING A WAIT-AND-SEE ATTITUDE ON THE ISSUE, MAINTAINING IT IS A MATTER TO BE DECIDED AT GOVERNMENT-LEVEL NEGOTIATIONS.

THE SOURCES EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THE UNITED STATES MAY INTENSIFY PRESSURE FOR REDUCTION OF GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIES IF THE NEGOTIATIONS DRAG ON.

THEY SAID IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO REACH ACCORD ON THE ISSUE AT THE PANEL'S NEXT SESSION SCHEDULED FOR EARLY NOVEMBER.

THE CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS STEMMED FROM A U.S. REQUEST IN JUNE LAST YEAR THAT OECD MEMBER COUNTRIES SLASH FINANCIAL AID TO SHIPBUILDING INDUSTRIES.

IN RESPONSE TO THE U.S. CALL, THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC) CALLED FOR SETTING STANDARD PRICES FOR SHIPS TO PREVENT DUMPING BY SHIPBUILDERS.

THE SYSTEM ALLOWS THE EC MEMBER COUNTRIES TO LEVY SURCHARGES ON SHIPS EXPORTED BY JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA IF THEY LOSE IN INTERNATIONAL BIDDING FOR SHIP CONSTRUCTION.

TRANSPORT MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID THE EC PROPOSAL WOULD OBSTRUCT FREE COMPETITION BECAUSE SHIP PRICES FLUCTUATE DRASTICALLY ACCORDING TO THE DEMAND-SUPPLY SITUATION.

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#90297k0070 10/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 24) KYODO - JAPAN'S PRODUCTION OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN THE FIRST HALF OF THIS FISCAL YEAR INCREASED 5.2 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR TO 6,712,238, THE JAPAN AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY.

THE ASSOCIATION ATTRIBUTED THE INCREASE TO BRISK DOMESTIC DEMAND. IN SEPTEMBER PRODUCTION WAS UP 1.7 PERCENT TO 1,139,698, THE SECOND-HIGHEST AMOUNT FOR THE MONTH AFTER 1,168,003 IN SEPTEMBER 1988, THE ASSOCIATION SAID.

THE SEPTEMBER OUTPUT INCLUDED 834,654 PASSENGER CARS, UP 4.1 PERCENT, A RECORD FOR ANY SEPTEMBER.

PRODUCTION OF TRUCKS DECLINED 4.3 PERCENT TO 301,920, WHILE THAT OF BUSES ROSE 6.4 PERCENT TO 3,124, THE ASSOCIATION SAID.

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#90297k0071 10/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NAGASAKI (OCT. 24) KYODO - PROSECUTORS WEDNESDAY INDICTED 15 CHINESE STOWAWAYS ON CHARGES OF VIOLATING IMMIGRATION REGULATIONS.

THE 15 WERE AMONG THE 18 CHINESE NATIONALS WHO ARRIVED AT NAGASAKI ON OCTOBER 3 ABOARD A FISHING BOAT ORIGINATING IN FUJIAN PROVINCE IN SOUTHERN CHINA. THE PROSECUTION DID NOT ISSUE INDICTMENT AGAINST THE OTHER THREE WHO WERE MINORS.

THE CHINESE AGED BETWEEN 15 AND 45 HAVE CONFESSED THAT THEY ENTERED JAPAN TO SEEK JOBS, THE PROSECUTORS SAID.

THREE OF THE 15 INDICTED ADULTS ALREADY LANDED IN NAGASAKI PREFECTURE LAST YEAR POSING AS REFUGEES AND WERE REPATRIATED LATER, THEY SAID.

ONE OF THE THREE, A 33-YEAR-OLD MAN, APPARENTLY SERVED AS CHIEF ENGINEER TO GUIDE THE OTHERS TO THE AREA WHERE HE LANDED FOR THE FIRST TIME LAST YEAR, THEY SAID. THE MAN WAS FINED A SUM AMOUNTING TO 3,000 YUAN (ABOUT 90,000 YEN) AFTER BEING REPATRIATED TO CHINA, THE PROSECUTORS SAID.

ANOTHER MAN HAS TOLD JAPANESE INVESTIGATORS THAT THE GROUP PAID AN AVERAGE 9,000 YUAN (ABOUT 270,000 YEN) PER PERSON TO A BROKER WHEN THEY BOARDED THE BOAT IN FUJIAN PROVINCE.

MORE THAN 2,000 CHINESE NATIONALS POSING AS INDOCHINESE REFUGEES ARRIVED IN SOUTHERN JAPAN LAST YEAR TO SEEK JOBS IN JAPAN, IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90297k0082 10/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 24) KYODO - HONDA MOTOR CO. SAID WEDNESDAY IT WILL PROVIDE AIRBAGS FOR FRONT-SEAT PASSENGERS IN ALL ITS CAR MODELS, INCLUDING SO-CALLED MINIVEHICLES, BY 1994.

IN A RELATED DEVELOPMENT, THE COMPANY UNVEILED A NEW LEGEND FOUR-DOOR SEDAN THAT HAS OPTIONAL AIRBAGS, MAKING THE TOP-OF-THE-LINE PASSENGER CAR ITS FIRST MODEL TO OFFER THE SAFETY DEVICES.

HONDA ALREADY PROVIDES AIRBAGS FOR DRIVERS AS STANDARD OR OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT IN ITS SIX PASSENGER CAR MODELS AND IT HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS TO MAKE THE

CRASH-PROTECTION DEVICES AVAILABLE IN OTHER MODELS BY 1992.

AIRBAGS INFLATE UPON COLLISION TO EASE THE IMPACT. A SENSOR DETECTING A FRONTAL CRASH GENERATES AN ELECTRIC SIGNAL THAT IN TURN TOUCHES OFF A TINY EXPLOSION IN A NITROGEN GAS GENERATION UNIT. THAT UNIT INFLATES THE BAGS.

JAPANESE AUTOMAKERS HAVE COME UNDER FIRE RECENTLY FROM U.S. CONSUMER GROUPS FOR LAGGING BEHIND U.S. AND EUROPEAN AUTOMAKERS IN INSTALLING AIRBAGS.

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#90297k0088 10/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 24) KYODO - THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WILL GRANT PARDONS TO ABOUT FOUR MILLION CONVICTS TO MARK THE ENTHRONEMENT CEREMONY OF EMPEROR AKIHITO TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 12, JUSTICE MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID WEDNESDAY.

AMONG THEM WILL BE AT LEAST 16,000 PEOPLE WHO WERE FOUND GUILTY OF VIOLATING THE PUBLIC OFFICES ELECTION LAW, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE GOVERNMENT WILL MAKE THE AMNESTY EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 12 AFTER THE 21-MINISTER CABINET APPROVES IT EITHER NOVEMBER 6 OR 9, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

ABOUT 85 PERCENT OF THE CONVICTS VIOLATED THE ROAD AND TRAFFIC LAW. IN FEBRUARY 1989, THE GOVERNMENT GRANTED A LARGER SCALE AMNESTY TO ABOUT 10.17 MILLION LAW VIOLATORS, MARKING THE STATE FUNERAL OF EMPEROR HIROHITO, POSTHUMOUSLY CALLED EMPEROR SHOWA.

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#90297k0092 10/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 24) KYODO - A LARGE NUMBER OF JAPANESE BUSINESSMEN ARE TAPPING THE POSSIBILITY OF INCREASING IMPORTS FROM SOUTH KOREA IN AN EFFORT TO IMPROVE THE WORSENING BILATERAL TRADE IMBALANCE LOPSIDEDLY IN JAPAN'S FAVOR.

THE JAPANESE, WHO ARRIVED HERE MONDAY ON A BUYING MISSION, ARE CONTACTING OFFICIALS OF LOCAL GROUPS OF ELECTRONICS, MACHINERY, AND ELECTRICAL APPLIANCE FIRMS, SOME TYPICAL SEGMENTS OF SOUTH KOREAN INDUSTRY WHICH SUFFER LARGE TRADE DEFICITS WITH JAPAN.

THE 163-MEMBER MISSION, LED BY TAIICHIRO MATSUO, CHAIRMAN OF THE JAPAN-KOREA MARKET COUNCIL, REPRESENTS 82 COMPANIES IN FIVE INDUSTRIAL SPHERES.

THE COUNCIL'S KOREAN COUNTERPART, THE KOREA-JAPAN ECONOMIC COUNCIL, HAS LISTED 504 LOCAL FIRMS FOR IMMEDIATE DEALING WITH THE BUYERS.

MOST OF THEM PRODUCE ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS PRODUCTS, MACHINERY, TEXTILES, AND PROCESSED MARINE PRODUCTS, ACCORDING TO PARK YONG HAK, CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL AND OWNER OF THE DAINONG BUSINESS GROUP.

THE DISPATCH OF A JAPANESE BUYING MISSION WAS RESUMED AFTER A THREE-YEAR INTERVAL UNDER AN AGREEMENT REACHED DURING PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO'S VISIT TO TOKYO IN LATE MAY.

"THE SERIOUS TRADE IMBALANCE IS UNDESIRABLE NOT ONLY FROM AN ECONOMIC VIEWPOINT BUT FOR OVERALL BILATERAL RELATIONS," ROH WAS QUOTED BY HIS SPOKESMAN AS TELLING MATSUO ON MONDAY. ROH TERMED BALANCED TRADE A "KEY TO FRIENDSHIP AND CONFIDENCE" BETWEEN SEOUL AND TOKYO.

JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU SAID IN A LETTER CONVEYED TO ROH BY THE MISSION, "THIS MISSION TESTIFIES TO THE ARDENT AND ENTHUSIASTIC WISH OF OUR BUSINESS QUARTERS TO FURTHER DEVELOP ECONOMIC TIES BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS," SPOKESMAN LEE SOO JUNG SAID.

ROH PUT SEOUL'S TRADE DEFICIT WITH JAPAN FOR THE FIRST EIGHT MONTHS OF THIS YEAR AT ABOUT 4 BILLION DOLLARS -- ALREADY REACHING THE LEVEL OF LAST YEAR AS A WHOLE -- AND POINTED OUT THAT IT IS ON AN UNINTERRUPTED RISE.

PARK OF THE KOREAN COUNCIL SAID THE MISSION WOULD MAKE A "GREAT CONTRIBUTION" TO THE RECTIFICATION OF THE LONGSTANDING PROBLEM AT A FAVORABLE TIME WHEN THE JAPANESE CURRENCY IS GETTING STRONGER AGAINST THE KOREAN WON IN VALUE.

BUT EXPERTS PLAYED DOWN THE EFFECT OF THE MISSION, BILLING IT AS A TOKEN GESTURE.

"THE TRADE IMBALANCE HAS RESULTED FROM OUR STRUCTURAL DEPENDENCY ON JAPAN. ONE OR TWO BUYING MISSIONS WILL NOT BE ENOUGH TO CURE THE CHRONIC DISEASE," SAID PROF. PARK WOO HEE OF SEOUL NATIONAL UNIVERSITY. "RATHER, JAPAN SHOULD ACCEPT OUR REPEATED CALLS FOR TECHNICAL TRANSFER."

SOUTH KOREA HAD A 3.38 BILLION DOLLAR TRADE DEFICIT WITH JAPAN IN THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS OF 1990, MORE THAN TRIPLE THE GLOBAL DEFICIT SUFFERED BY THE COUNTRY, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL DATA.

SEOUL SAW A 3.08 BILLION DOLLAR DEFICIT IN MACHINERY TRADE AND A 1.34 BILLION DOLLAR DEFICIT IN ELECTRONICS TRADE WITH JAPAN DURING THE JANUARY-JULY PERIOD.

"THE FIGURES SHOW THAT NOTHING BUT TECHNICAL TRANSFER WILL REALIZE BALANCED TRADE, FAR FROM ANY FAVORABLE TRADE CIRCUMSTANCES OR ACTIVITIES BY BUYING MISSIONS," PARK SAID. "IF OUR TRADE IS TO INCREASE, OUR IMPORTS OF JAPANESE MACHINERY HAVE TO RISE."

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TOKYO (OCT. 24) KYODO - TOYS 'R' US, THE GIANT U.S. TOY RETAIL CHAIN CURRENTLY FACED WITH STRONG OPPOSITION FROM JAPANESE TOY SHOPS EAGER TO FEND

OFF COMPETITION, WILL OPEN FOUR PLANNED STORES IN JAPAN AS SCHEDULED, THE PRESIDENT OF ITS JAPANESE SUBSIDIARY SAID WEDNESDAY.

SPEAKING TO THE PRESS AT THE TOKYO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, LARRY BOUTS, PRESIDENT OF TOYS 'R' US JAPAN LTD., SAID THE PROJECT IS GOING WELL.

BOUTS SAID THE COMPANY HAS SCHEDULED STORE OPENINGS STARTING WITH SAGAMIHARA IN KANAGAWA PREFECTURE, IN OCTOBER 1991, FOLLOWED BY STORES IN SHINGU IN FUKUOKA PREFECTURE, KASHIHARA IN NARA PREFECTURE, AND AMI IN IBARAKI PREFECTURE, IN ACCORD WITH THE COMPANY SCHEDULE.

COMPANY REPRESENTATIVES WILL MEET A TOTAL OF 130 DOMESTIC TOY MAKERS IN THE COMING MONTH TO REQUEST A SUPPLY OF GOODS, BOUTS SAID.

BOUTS SAID JAPAN'S LARGE-SCALE RETAIL STORES LAW, WHICH WAS EASED IN MAY, IS NOT SUITED TO THE TIMES AND SHOULD EVENTUALLY BE ABOLISHED.

THE LAW WAS EASED UNDER AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES DURING BILATERAL TALKS ON STRUCTURAL IMPEDIMENTS TO TRADE AND INVESTMENT.

BOUTS LEFT A POST WITH PEPSICO INC. TO TAKE UP THE PRESIDENCY OF THE JAPANESE TOYS 'R' US ON SEPTEMBER 1.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 24) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that September durable goods fell 1.7%. Analysts were expecting a rise of 0.1%.

The string of winning sessions ends in Tokyo as the Nikkei drops 421 points. ... In London, the FTSE is off 17 points in early afternoon. changed with the long yield at 8.79%. ... North Sea crude is flat at $28.50. ... PAN AM says it has agreed to sell its routes to London's Heathrow airport to UNITED AIRLINES. ... MOBIL reports third-quarter profits down 29%. ... THE WASHINGTON POST CO. says its third-quarter earnings were off 16% from the year before. ... RJR NABISCO says its third-quarter loss was $86 million compared to a $447 million loss in the same quarter last year. ... MOTOROLA introduces a wireless technology that allows linkage of computers through radio waves rather than wires. ... WARNER BROTHERS says it will pay $125 million for video rights to many MGM-UA films in a cash infusion that will help PATHE COMMUNICATIONS finance its purchase of MGM-UA.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

With spending authority set to expire at midnight tonight, CONGRESS takes up yet another stopgap spending bill today. ... SOUTHLAND CORP. appears poised to move into bankruptcy. ... The CLEAN AIR COALITION is scheduled to release a study of the costs and economic impact of current clean air legislation.

FROM THE BULLS:

The volatility of the market "is a question of perception," says MAX ANSBACHER of BEAR, STEARNS. "The market doesn't seem so volatile when it's going up." Ansbacher says options traders are bearish, which he reads as a contrary bullish indicator. "Short-term, I do foresee a rally taking place, starting early next week," says Ansbacher. He says the market has rallied in the two week period before non-Presidential elections every year since 1934. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/23)

"I see this as normal profit-taking," says ANDREW ADDISON, who edits his own market letter. He says the correction was needed after the "sharp runup" of the past several days. Addison anticipates some backing and filling to the 2460 to 2540 area, but, "if market breadth holds up well, I'd expect the Dow to rally through the resistance and move to the mid-2600 to mid-2700 area." ("Investor's Daily", 10/24)

FROM THE BEARS:

"If you have stocks, it's probably too late to sell them aggressively since most of the decline, say two-thirds of the decline, is probably over," says BOB JONES of GOLDMAN SACHS. "At the same time, we don't see a big upturn for awhile yet. The bear market has just begun in some sense. A typical bear market actually loses the majority of its value in the first month or two ... and then sort of plays out a sort of long, slow, painful kind of gradual decline for maybe another eight to 12 months. ... It's also too early to buy. We don't think it's ready to go up yet." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/23)

STOCK MARKET:

"Those 30 [Dow] stocks are not representative of what the broad market is doing," says KENNETH SPENCE, director of technical analysis for SALOMON BROTHERS. "You're not getting broad-based selling; it's concentrated in the blue-chip stocks." (NYT, 10/24)

"We do not think that the final bottom has been seen," says GEORGE PRICE of the "Price Trend." After a temporary rally lasting a couple of weeks, Price looks for a test of the 2350 bottom within two months. "Be ready to sell when this rally ends." (CNBC "World Business", 10/24)

"My guess is that because the Dow was up over 100 points last week and down over 100 the week before, it has to 'catch its breath' for a while," says PAUL HENNESSEY at the BOSTON CO. "Then it can probably move a little higher."

("The Washington Post", 10/24)

"If there is anything that can kill off a rally it is a big dose of taxes," says THOM BROWN, managing director of RUTHERFORD BROWN & CATHERWOOD. "There's no doubt that a budget will be passed, but the only thing they can agree on right now is higher taxes." (WSJ, 10/24)

"A lot of people [in the stock market] are worried about interest rates," says KEN DUCEY, a trading official at S.G. WARBURG SECURITIES. He believes that the market is focusing on the budget rather than on oil. "There's a lot of confusion" about how the Federal Reserve will respond to a budget resolution from Congress, and investors are anxious to "get that out of the way and have one less thing to worry about." (WSJ, 10/24)

"We had more retail brokers call this week than in the last month or so," says JANE GURKIN, assistant head of OTC trading at MORGAN KEEGAN & CO. in Memphis, Tenn. "I think a lot of them feel [stocks] they want to buy have gotten so cheap, either it's a steal or the downside can't get much worse." (WSJ, 10/24)

"The important positive note is that with this quarter's reporting, we're estimating corporate earnings to be up eight to nine percent versus the quarter a year ago, which will mark the first positive earnings growth in over a year, followed by a fourth-quarter earnings growth estimated at 15 percent," says BEN ZACKS of ZACKS INVESTMENT RESEARCH. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/23)

"People are back to questioning whether or not the world is okay," says RICHARD BRUNO, head of OTC marketing for PAINEWEBBER in New York, who sees very little activity among small investors. (WSJ, 10/24)

STOCK TIPS:

STEPHENS INC. recommends buying stock in AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC., an Atlanta-based maker of applications software used in business management. The brokerage says per-share earnings are expected to grow 20% annually for the next two years as the company expands in international markets. ("USA Today", 10/24)

"What we know now, is that there is $967 million in escrow in a bank" that is earmarked for the PATHE buyout of MGM/UA, says PAUL MARSHE of BATEMAN EICHLER, HILL RICHARDS. "What we don't know is where this money's coming from." While the deal looks as if it will soon be closed, given the on-again, off-again past of the deal, Marshe says, "With this particular stock, I think we have to say, 'Let's wait for the fat lady to sing.'" (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/23)

After years of promise, biotechnology firms are finally bringing new products to market and realizing earnings, says TEENA LERNER of LEHMAN BROTHERS. She has been focusing on GENETICS INSTITUTE which will be delivering three new drugs over the next 12 months. Lerner recommends investors buy a package of

biotech stocks which also includes AMGEN, CHYRON and XOMA. These stocks are recession resistant, says Lerner. "If there's a disease that's not being treated today and that drug comes on the market, those people need that medicine." (CNN "Business Morning", 10/24)

Even though he thinks the bear market has several months to run before any sustainable upturn, BOB JONES of GOLDMAN SACHS is buying some of the depressed bank stocks and some "quality growth stocks that are less inclined to be hurt by a recession in terms of earnings." Among the stocks he lists are WELLS FARGO, BANKERS TRUST and JOHNSON & JOHNSON. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/23)

"I'm bearish," says K.C. GRAINGER, a portfolio strategist with JESUP JOSEPHTHAL. But Grainger says value is starting to come back into stock prices. Buy secondary issues, he says, "if you can hold your breath and not use margin -- it's going to take a while." Among the names he mentions: NATIONAL INTERGROUP LABS, GABELLI EQUITY TRUST and PEGASUS GOLD. (CNBC "World Business" 10/24)

CITICORP fell 3/8 to 12 5/8 on volume of more than 3.6 million shares. "Everybody's upset that [Citicorp] hasn't cut the dividend or added more to its loan-loss reserves," says ROBERT L. KAHN, partner and manager of equity trading at MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. (WSJ, 10/24)

After rising nearly five points in the previous two days trading, SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGY fell 3/4 yesterday. SAMUEL NAVARRO of NEEDHAM & CO. has been bullish on the stock because of interest in the company's new arthroscopic laser system and because of anticipation of a strong earnings report, but says the correction yesterday was due to the feeling that "on a short-term basis, [the stock] was getting ahead of itself." ("Investor's Daily", 10/24)

After announcing much worse than expected earnings, SUN MICROSYSTEMS lost 2 3/4. From London this morning, LEHMAN's MICHAEL BENSON says traders are expecting the stock to come under more pressure today, possibly losing another 3-5 points. Negative sentiment is spilling over into other technology issues - IBM, DIGITAL and COMPAQ are generally off 1/8 in overseas trading. Compaq reports earnings today. (FNN "Business A.M.", 10/24)

US WEST is finding its way onto many analysts' "buy" lists, reports "USA Today." MORGAN STANLEY analyst DANIEL REINGOLD says, "At low cost, they are creating additional sources of long-term earnings growth. ... They are doing the right things." Among the others recommending the stock is GREG SAWERS at SANFORD BERNSTEIN & CO., who estimates that overseas growth will account for half of the company's total annual earnings growth by 1995. ("USA Today", 10/24)

Sell NYNEX, advises ARGUS RESEARCH, and use the proceeds to buy one of the "higher quality Bells" like BELL ATLANTIC or BELLSOUTH. Also on their sell list are BOISE CASCADE, which they call one of the more highly leveraged

forest products companies, and ALCOA which is facing an uncertain demand for aluminum. Argus likes DOW JONES, saying an earnings rebound will cause the price to rise sharply. Buy ARCHER DANIELS where earnings results are likely to be "volatile and surprising." (CNBC "World Business", 10/24)

"The negative effects [of higher oil prices] completely offset the benefits to [oil] stocks," says MICHAEL YOUNG of SMITH BARNEY. "A sinking stock market pulls down all stocks, whether they're oil or not." ("Investor's Daily", 10/24)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"Fundamentally the dollar is still not a good buy," says CARL AMENDOLA, vice president at BAYERISCHE HYPOTHEKEN-UND WECHSEL BANK in New York. The U.S. has "a lot of skeletons" in its closets, he says referring to the problems besetting the U.S. economy and banking system. (WSJ, 10/24)

There might be a shift in sentiment that the dollar has "gone down far enough and is now making a bottom," says LILIANA NEALON, vice president of UNION BANK OF SWITZERLAND in New York. While the dollar could blip down to 1.45 marks or even 1.40 marks, the market currently is "living through a bottoming of the dollar ... and in two years when we look back, 1.50 marks" will have been a good time to buy dollars, she says. (WSJ, 10/24)

"The key is how central banks react" to the credit crunch, says NILLY SIKORSKY a managing director of CAPITAL INTERNATIONAL S.A. in Geneva. "They can maintain a restrictive monetary policy, which means very high interest rates and bad bond markets, or print money. One scenario is recession; the other is inflation. Neither one is very tolerable, so cash looks very attractive." (WSJ, 10/24)

Why were bonds down yesterday? BILL WOLMAN blames it all on the budget bog in Washington. "What's really happening in Washington right now is just a total mess," says the chief economist for "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "It is an outrageous demonstration of irresponsibility, or a system that doesn't work. Even with this so- called deficit reduction bill, the deficits are $250 billion a year on the assumption of 2 1/2 percent growth ... as far as the eye can see." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/23)

"Once a budget pact is announced, the Street will rush to sell securities as a way of preparing for the new supply," says ROBERT BRUSCA, chief economist at

NIKKO SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL. "I think that yields are going to have to go back up quite severely in order for the markets to take on these new securities." (NYT, 10/24)

"The auction calendar is going to be compressed into a frighteningly short period of time," says JOSEPH LIRO, a vice president and money market economist at S.G. WARBURG SECURITIES INC. "As things now stand, roughly $95 billion worth of securities will have to be sold between now and the first full week in November, and the longer the Congress delays the shorter the period to pre-sell those issues 1 becomes." He adds, "The government could end up paying for the delay in a big way." (NYT, 10/24)

THE ECONOMY:

"I'm somewhere between the pearly gates and Dante's inferno" on the economy, says BEAR, STEARNS chief economist LAWRENCE KUDLOW. "Because I'm an optimist, I'm edging toward the pearly gates. Ludlow says the economy "is not headed for the cliff" and will "outperform almost all expectations in the next year or two." ("Investor's Daily", 10/24)

"The [real estate] situation is getting worse, not better," says FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. CHAIRMAN WILLIAM SEIDMAN in an address to the AMERICAN BANKERS ASSOCIATION. He predicts more bank failures in the Northeast. COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY ROBERT CLARKE told the bankers yesterday: "The image of your industry today is more tarnished than it has been in half a century. ("USA Today", 10/24)

Primarily as a result of the Gulf crisis, companies have decided to "cut costs now and ask questions later," says STEPHEN ROACH, a senior economist at MORGAN STANLEY. "I'm not saying that costs have not been cut in response to sluggish demands," says Roach, "but there was a tremendous heightening of cost reduction that occurred after the oil shocks." ("Investor's Daily", 10/24)

IN WASHINGTON:

"It looks like we're back on square one [in budget negotiations]," says TRUDE LATIMER at JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL. "Our brave members of Congress are probably going to wait until after the elections to stick out their brave necks." ("USA Today", 10/24)

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SUMMIT, NJ (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - In an agreement reached on Oct. 12, 1990, two of The Summit Bancorporation's (NASDAQ: SUBN) subsidiary banks will purchase two retail banking branch offices from Anchor Savings Bank, FSB (NASDAQ: ABKR).

Anchor's Hamilton Township branch, located in Mercer County, N.J., will become a part of the Princeton-based Trust Company of Princeton, and will operate under that name. The Hamilton office will join the two branches presently operated by The Trust Company of Princeton which was organized in 1986.

The Deal branch office, located in Monmouth County, N.J., will become a part of Ocean National Bank, headquartered in Point Pleasant Beach, and will operate under that name. Ocean National Bank, organized in 1901, operates 18 retail branch offices in southern Monmouth and Ocean counties. An additional Ocean National branch office is scheduled to open in Jackson, N.J., in 1990.

The transaction between The Summit Bancorporation and Anchor Savings Bank is subject to state and federal regulatory approval and is expected to take place in the last quarter of 1990 or the first quarter of 1991.

At that time, Summit's assets will increase from $3.7 billion to approximately $4.2 billion, based upon the Anchor acquisition and the recently announced agreement to purchase five retail banking branches from Carteret Savings Bank, FA.

"We are very pleased that Summit's strong capital position allows us to expand into these highly desirable markets in Deal and Hamilton, New Jersey," stated Thomas D. Sayles Jr., Summit's chairman and chief executive officer.

"Deal and Hamilton are well established communities," he added. "We welcome the opportunity to serve each area's banking requirements and to become active and supportive members of their respective communities."

James M. Large Jr., Anchor's chairman, stated, "We are very pleased that our Deal and Hamilton office customers will continue to enjoy the same caring service they have come to expect." He went on to state, "The sale of the Deal and Hamilton offices is another positive step in Anchor's efforts to achieve capital compliance under its recently approved capital plan."

Both The Trust Company of Princeton and Ocean National Bank are members of The Summit Bancorporation, a $3.7 billion holding company operating 81 branch offices in 11 New Jersey counties. Other Summit member banks include The Summit Trust Company, The Chatham Trust Company, The Maplewood Bank and Trust Company, Bay State Bank, and Somerset Trust Company. The Summit Mortgage Company Inc., Summit Leasing Corporation and Beechwood Insurance Agency Inc., are Summit non- bank affiliates that provide specialized financial services.

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DALLAS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Lomas Financial Corp. (NYSE: LFC) announced

today that Hal Hillman has been named president of Lomas Administrative Services.

In his new position, Hillman will oversee all corporate level support functions for the entire Lomas Financial Group, including purchasing, security and other general and administrative services necessary for the day-to-day operations of the business.

Prior to his appointment as president of Lomas Administrative Services, Hillman served as vice president of Lomas Mortgage USA and as executive assistant to Lomas Financial Corp. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Jess Hay. Hillman succeeds H.H. "Buddy" Miller who died last month after 21 years with the company.

Hay stated that Hillman "has developed a unique and profound knowledge of the daily needs of our people and our businesses and has been successful in the completion of a wide range of assignments during his tenure at Lomas Mortgage USA. He is intimately familiar with the internal and external operations of Lomas and is the ideal choice to assume these responsibilities."

Hillman joined Lomas in 1983 and has served as divisional controller for residential production, executive assistant to the president of Lomas Mortgage USA and as department manager for Lomas Mortgage Acquisitions. He was an integral member of the management team that last year negotiated the sale of Lomas Securities to Fleet Mortgage.

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OMAHA, NEB. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - America First Financial Fund 1987-A (NASDAQ: AFFFZ) reported earnings of approximately $14.5 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, ($4.8 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990). The Fund's net income is generated from its investment in EurekaBank. EurekaBank, which is located in Foster City, Calif., is a $1.8 billion organization with 35 branches located in the Greater San Francisco Bay Area.

The third quarter earnings are consistent with the $4.8 million net income posted during the third quarter of 1989 and the results posted in the prior two quarters in 1990.

When EurekaBank was purchased, management adopted a very high standard of credit quality. We (The Company) are pleased to report the strong credit performance of the Bank's loan portfolio. Delinquencies of 30 or more days were .56 percent of loans outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990, and no commercial or multifamily real estate loans were delinquent. This delinquency level is well

below industry standards. In addition, loan loss reserves were 245 percent of non-performing assets at quarter-end. These ratios underscore the excellent performance of the portfolio and the prudent reserve practices employed by management.

Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 represent an annualized return on investment of approximately 16 percent to investors, based on the initial capital of $120 million. Investors earned $2.35 per beneficial unit certificate for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, (76 cents for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990). Investors continue to receive monthly distributions of 7.5 percent with additional earnings retained at EurekaBank to enhance the ultimate return to investors in the Fund. The book value per unit was $20.81 at Sept. 30, 1990.

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HARLEYSVILLE, PA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Harleysville Group Inc. (NASDAQ: HGIC), a regional insurance holding company, today reported record third quarter revenues and earnings.

Net income increased 17 percent to $7.3 million in the third quarter, compared with $6.2 million during the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, net income rose 14 percent to $18.7 million, compared with $16.4 million in 1989. On a per-share basis, third quarter net income climbed 15 percent to $0.92, compared with $0.80 in the same period of 1989. For the corresponding nine-month periods, net income per share increased 12 percent to $2.37, compared with $2.12 per share in 1989. As a result of the 5 percent stock dividend paid on Sept. 28, 1990, per-share earnings have been retroactively adjusted to reflect the greater number of shares outstanding. The higher earnings were achieved despite a $0.04 per share after-tax charge in each quarter of 1990 resulting from auto insurance legislation enacted in New Jersey earlier this year. Realized investment gains had virtually no impact on net income in the 1990 periods, while producing income of $0.02 and $0.03 per share in 1989's third quarter and nine month results, respectively.

"Our third quarter results were paced by the continued strong growth of our investment income, combined with a significant improvement in underwriting results in the property lines of business," commented Bradford W. Mitchell, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Harleysville Group. Property losses in the third quarter of 1989 were higher as a result of Hurricane Hugo.

Third quarter investment income was up 16 percent to $11.1 million, compared with $9.6 million in 1989. For the nine months, investment income climbed 20 percent to $32.1 million in 1990 from $26.7 million in 1989. The growth in

investment income is attributable to continued strong cash flow.

Earned premiums rose 3 percent to $74.1 million in the third quarter, compared with $71.8 million during 1989's third quarter. For the first nine months, earned premiums increased 7 percent to $219.2 million in 1990 from $205.8 million in 1989.

Total revenues increased 4 percent to $85.7 million, compared with $82.1 million in the third quarter of 1989. For the corresponding nine- month periods, total revenues were up 8 percent to $252.8 million in 1990 from $234.7 million in 1989.

Stockholders' equity rose 11 percent to $178.7 million ($22.36 per share) at Sept. 30, 1990, up from $160.3 million ($20.48 per share) at Dec. 31, 1989. The trailing 12-month return on stockholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990, was 15.0 percent.

Harleysville Group's statutory combined ratio was 102.4 percent in the third quarter, compared with 103.5 percent posted in the third quarter of 1989. The lower combined ratio for the quarter is due primarily to lower property losses but the improvement was offset somewhat by the taxes and assessments related to New Jersey's new auto insurance law. The third quarter combined ratio also compares favorably with the 103.6 percent ratio reported in the second quarter of 1990. For the first nine months, the combined ratio was 104.0 percent, compared with the 102.7 percent ratio during the same period of 1989.

Much of the company's attention continues to be focused on Pennsylvania's new auto insurance law enacted in February. "During the past three months," explained Mitchell, "we reached a compromise with the Pennsylvania Insurance Department on our personal auto insurance rates and we made progress toward isolating the impact of the Pennsylvania personal auto line from Harleysville Group. Harleysville Mutual Insurance Company has formed a separate company -- Pennland Insurance Company -- which is expected to only write Pennsylvania personal auto insurance. Steps are being taken to make the company operational in early 1991. It is anticipated that Pennland will not participate in the pooling arrangement with Harleysville Group.

"Based upon our financial results for the first nine months, 1990 will prove to be another outstanding year for Harleysville Group. We are proud of our past achievements and look forward with great optimism to our future challenges," Mitchell concluded.

Harleysville Group Inc. is a regional holding company for four property and casualty insurers whose marketing territory encompasses the entire East Coast. The companies include: Atlantic Insurance Company of Savannah, Harleysville Insurance Company of New Jersey, Huron Insurance Co., and Worcester Insurance Co. Harleysville Group also manages the operations of Berkshire Mutual Insurance Group, headquartered in Pittsfield, Mass., the financial results of

which are not consolidated into Harleysville Group at the present time.

HARLEYSVILLE GROUP INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
(Unaudited; in thousands except per-share data)

Periods ended	Quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating results:				
Premiums earned	$74,063	$71,803	$219,238	$205,776
Investment income, net of investment expenses	11,074	9,554	32,074	26,738
Net income	7,303	6,229	18,688	16,353
Per common share:				
Net income	$.92	$.80	$2.37	$2.12
Cash dividends	.1524	.1429	.4381	.3714

Financial condition at	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Assets	$625,511	$568,453
Stockholders' equity	178,725	160,343
Per common share	$22.36	$20.48

Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended	Quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Premiums earned	$74,063	$71,803	$219,238	$205,776
Investment income, net of investment expenses	11,074	9,554	32,074	26,738
Realized investment gains (losses)	8	(59)	(36)	(24)
Other income	509	834	1,535	2,193
Total revenues	85,654	82,132	252,811	234,683
Losses and expenses: Losses and loss settlement expenses	50,543	50,873	153,917	144,984
Amortization of deferred policy acquisition costs	19,903	18,731	58,229	53,296
Other underwriting expenses	5,431	4,297	15,953	14,498
Other expenses	399	726	1,309	2,320
Total expenses	76,276	74,627	229,408	215,098
Income before income taxes	9,378	7,505	23,403	19,585
Income taxes	2,075	1,276	4,715	3,232
Net income	7,303	6,229	18,688	16,353
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	7,937,231	7,759,199	7,892,382	7,717,782
Earnings per common				

share	$.92	$.80	$2.37	$2.12
Cash dividends per common share	.1524	.1429	.4381	.3714

The per-share data and the weighted average number of shares outstanding have been retroactively adjusted to reflect the 5 percent stock dividend.

Consolidated Balance Sheets
(In thousands)

	9/30/90 (Unaudited)	12/31/89
Assets:		
Investments:		
Fixed maturities, at amortized cost	$511,770	$468,790
Short-term investments, at cost, which approximates market	22,910	20,291
Total investments	534,680	489,081
Cash	424	1,095
Premiums in course of collection	17,150	13,256
Accrued investment income	9,184	8,143
Due from affiliate	--	264
Deferred policy acquisition costs	34,804	31,978
Property and equipment	15,772	15,012
Deferred income taxes	10,646	6,796
Other assets	2,851	2,828
Total assets	625,511	568,453
Liabilities and stockholders' equity:		
Liabilities:		
Unpaid losses and loss settlement expenses	288,486	259,522
Unearned premiums	129,381	120,579
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	22,973	23,509
Due to affiliate	1,546	--
Capitalized lease obligations	4,400	4,500
Total liabilities	446,786	408,110
Stockholders' equity: Preferred stock, $1 par value; authorized 1 million shares; none issued	--	--
Common stock, $1 par value; authorized 15 million shares; issued and outstanding 7,992,215 and 7,457,770 shares	7,992	7,458
Additional paid-in capital	83,432	73,820
Retained earnings	87,301	79,065
Total stockholders' equity	178,725	160,343
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	625,511	568,453

Supplementary Financial Analysts' Data
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended	Quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Pre-tax investment income	$11,074	$9,554	$32,074	$26,738

Related federal income taxes	2,767	2,458	7,984	6,493
After-tax investment income	8,307	7,096	24,090	20,245
Net premiums written	75,844	75,154	228,040	232,564
Fresh start benefit per share	--	$.01	$.02	$.03
Earnings per common share:				
Operating income	.92	.78	2.37	2.09
Net income	.92	.80	2.37	2.12

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - BSD Bancorp (AMEX: BSD) today announced that its board of directors, at a regularly scheduled meeting, declared a $.10 cash dividend payable Nov. 20, 1990 to holders of record as of Nov. 6, 1990. The dividend represents an increase of 25 percent over the most recent dividend of $.08 per share paid in May 1990. The $.18 per share dividend paid this year represents an 80 percent increase over 1989's $.10 per share.

Commenting on the announcement, Chairman James S. Brown, said, "This action underscores the Board's continued confidence in BSD Bancorp's outlook."

On October 11, BSD Bancorp announced record third quarter 1990 earnings of $1,157,000, up from 1989 third quarter earnings of $1,056,000. Both 1989 and 1988 were also record nine-month earnings periods for BSD Bancorp, and Brown believes the third quarter results point to another record year in 1990.

BSD Bancorp Inc. is a diversified holding company serving banking and trust markets predominately in Southern California.

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SAN DIMAS, CALIF. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Vestar Inc. (NASDAQ: VSTR) announced today that revenues were $1.3 million and $2.6 million for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively. Revenues were primarily from European sales of AmBisome, which exceeded $1 million in the third quarter.

Dr. Roger J. Crossley, president and chief executive officer, said, "We are

pleased by Ambisome's continued revenue momentum in Europe which contributed to Vestar's best quarterly performance in terms of total revenue."

Vestar reported that revenues for the 1990 third quarter were $1.3 million compared to $1.0 million in the 1989 third quarter. The company reported a loss of $1.7 million, or $0.26 per share in the 1990 third quarter compared to a loss of $2.0 million, or $0.31 per share, for the 1989 third quarter.

For the 1990 first nine months, revenues were $2.6 million versus revenues of $3.1 million last year. The company reported a loss of $5.1 million, or $0.79 per share, for the first nine months of 1990 compared to a loss of $5.4 million, or $0.85 per share, for the same period last year.

The 1989 third quarter and first nine months' revenues included collaborative agreement revenues of $653,000, and $2,049,000, respectively, associated with the joint venture with Lyphomed. 1989 results also included charges of $500,000 and $1,364,000 for the third quarter and first nine months, respectively, reflecting Vestar's equity in the net loss of the Lyphomed-Vestar joint venture.

Vestar Inc. is a pharmaceutical company focused on the development of therapeutic and diagnostic agents for cancer, AIDS and related diseases. AmBisome is the trade name for the intravenous liposomal formulation of amphotericin B, a broad spectrum, anti- infective agent used to treat potentially fatal systemic fungal infections that often occur in immune-compromised patients who have undergone cancer therapy, post-organ/bone marrow transplants and AIDS patients.

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ANN ARBOR, MI (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - MEDSTAT Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: MDST) announced today an agreement-in-principle for a three- year contract with NASCO to license MEDSTAT database and cost management systems, and to remarket them to Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plans. NASCO, National Account Service Company, headquartered in Atlanta, is a joint venture of five of the nation's largest Blue Cross Blue Shield Plans. It provides health claims processing for 1.6 million subscribers (3.5 million members), through operating agreements with 10 Blue Cross Blue Shield plans, and participating agreements with 35 other plans.

Under the terms of the agreement, NASCO will license MEDSTAT software and provide large scale database management and health claims analysis to BCBS plans and, through these plans, to their accounts. The license agreement provides for a minimum of 250,000 subscribers. Further, NASCO, under the terms of the agreement, may market MEDSTAT software to Blue Cross Blue Shield plans

for local installation.

The participants in NASCO are Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Connecticut, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Michigan, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Jersey, Empire Blue Cross and Blue Shield (New York) and Blue Shield of California. These plans currently provide healthcare coverage to over 30 million people.

"Under this agreement, MEDSTAT products may be offered as an integrated component of the NASCO service package," said Ernest G. Ludy, MEDSTAT chairman and chief executive. "The agreement's remarketing provisions, combined with NASCO's established industry relationships, creates a significant distribution channel to key players in this important sector of the health insurance market." The agreement is expected to be executed within 60 days.

MEDSTAT Systems is a healthcare information company serving corporations, insurance, healthcare and consulting organizations with specialized databases, software and consulting services for controlling medical costs and measuring healthcare markets.

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ANN ARBOR, MICH. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - MEDSTAT Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: MDST) announced today an agreement-in-principle for a three- year contract with NASCO to license MEDSTAT database and cost management systems, and to remarket them to Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plans. NASCO, National Account Service Company, headquartered in Atlanta, is a joint venture of five of the nation's largest Blue Cross Blue Shield Plans. It provides health claims processing for 1.6 million subscribers (3.5 million members), through operating agreements with 10 Blue Cross Blue Shield plans, and participating agreements with 35 other plans.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Compaq Computer Corporation (NYSE: CPQ) today announced sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 rose to $863 million, a 26 percent increase over sales of $683 million for the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the third quarter was $124 million, a 42 percent increase over net income of $87 million in the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share rose to $1.38 from $1.01 in the corresponding period a year ago (adjusted for a two-for-one stock split effective June 29, 1990).

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $320 million, or $3.62 per share, compared with $254 million, or $2.96 per share on a fully diluted basis in the first nine months of 1989.

Sales for the nine-month period were $2.6 billion, compared with $2.1 billion during the corresponding period last year.

Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 includes a non-recurring, pretax gain of $27.1 million resulting from an increase in the carrying value of the Company's investment in Conner Peripherals, Inc. Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989 included a similar gain of $13.7 million. In each instance, the gains resulted from Conner's issuance of additional common stock at prices higher than the carrying value of Conner common stock owned by the company. These gains, after giving effect to income taxes, increased earnings per share in the respective period by $.20 in 1990 and $.10 in 1989.

In the third quarter of 1989, the company also realized a gain of approximately $7.6 million, having an after-tax effect of $.06 per share,

through the sale of one million of its Conner shares.

Compaq third quarter 1990 unit shipments in North America increased by 20 percent over the same quarter last year, while the market's unit growth during this period was 5 percent. Sales growth in North America was 5 percent during third quarter 1990 vs. third quarter 1989. European and International sales comprised 53 percent of Compaq revenue during the quarter and grew by 54 percent compared with the same period last year.

Compaq Computer Corporation is a world leader in the manufacture of PC systems and desktop, portable, laptop and notebook personal computers. COMPAQ products are sold in 64 countries through more than 3,000 Authorized COMPAQ Computer Dealers.

Founded in February 1982, Compaq has consistently set business and industry growth records. This year, Compaq achieved "Global Fortune 500" status, as ranked (No. 438) in Fortune Magazine's 1990 listing of the world's largest companies.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Citicorp (NYSE: CCI) announced it will raise the dividend rate cap to 200 percent of the 60-day AA commercial paper rate for today's auction of its $100 million of Series 5A auction rate preferred stock to facilitate the orderly continuation of the auction pricing process. The cap on this series of preferred stock has been 120 percent, lower than other more recent issues of similar preferred stock of other corporations because the program was one of the earliest of its kind.

The dividend rate cap will be raised to 200 percent through an exchange offer for a new series of auction rate preferred stock that will have identical terms with the Series 5A preferred stock, except for the terms relating to the cap. The exchange offer will be completed prior to the Series 5A's next regularly scheduled dividend payment date following today's auction.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) today announced that net earnings for the July-September period, the first

quarter of the fiscal year, were $555,000,000. This is a 15 percent increase over comparable net earnings of $483,000,000 in the same quarter a year ago after excluding last year's one-time favorable Duncan Hines cookie litigation settlement. The increase was primarily due to strong unit volume growth. Including the favorable litigation settlement, earnings in July-September 1989 were $564,000,000.

Earnings per share in July-September were $1.57, a 15 percent increase compared with $1.36 a year ago excluding the favorable litigation settlement. Earnings per share a year ago including the litigation settlement were $1.59 per share.

Worldwide net sales for the July-September period were $6,652,000,000, an increase of 16 percent over net sales of $5,717,000,000 for the same three months a year ago. The increase in sales was primarily due to the growth in unit volume.

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3 Months Ended September 30	1990	1989
Net Sales	$6,652	$5,717
Net Earnings	555	564
Net Earnings Per Common Share	1.57	1.59
Net Earnings Per Common Share Assuming Full Dilution	1.49	1.51

Notes to Quarterly Results 1. July-September 1989 results have been restated to include the operations of Noxell which was merged with the company in November 1989.

2. July-September 1989 results include a one-time favorable Duncan Hines cookie litigation settlement of $81 million after-tax, $.23 per share, and $.22 per share assuming full dilution.

Excluding this litigation settlement, July-September 1989 results would have been net earnings of $483 million; net earnings per common share of $1.36; and $1.29 per common share assuming full dilution. July-September 1990 earnings and earnings per common share were up 15 percent versus these comparable base period results.

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BRISTOL, TENN. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Communications Workers of America (CWA) Tuesday denounced what it called United Inter-Mountain Telephone's

attempt to "strong-arm" workers into accepting health care cutbacks, and circumvent the bargaining process.

CWA said the company sent a letter directly to workers threatening to cut off all health care benefits by Nov. 1, if workers did not agree to the company's cutbacks proposal.

"We are appalled by the coercive tactics that United Telephone has resorted to in these negotiations," said CWA Vice President Gene Russo. "United is refusing to bargain in good faith. CWA has repeatedly requested information which is essential to evaluate the company's proposal on health care, and consistent with the union's duty to represent its workers. This is information to which the union is legally entitled, but which they have refused to produce. They have stalled and delayed, and now are using fear and intimidation and making a mockery of collective bargaining process."

"What's at stake here is whether corporate headquarters in Kansas City can dictate to the people of east Tennessee and southwest Virginia how we meet our families' health care needs," said Darrell Freeman, president of CWA Local 3871. "Ratepayers and United's workers should not be held hostage to plans dictated by Kansas City carpetbaggers.

"Believe me," Freeman continued, "if a profitable company like United carries out its implied threat and locks us out of our jobs because we refuse to be intimidated and take drastic cuts in health benefits, CWA members are not the only ones who will suffer. Our entire community will feel this blow, first in disruptions in telephone service, and second, in the loss of income for 670 families and the local businesses they patronize."

CWA is filing charges of unfair labor practices with the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) because of what the union called United's illegal changes in the terms and conditions of work, and withholding relevant and necessary information critical to the bargaining process.

The union contract at United Telephone expired on Aug. 23; workers have stayed on, working under the terms of the previous contract, while negotiations have continued.

CWA represents more than 670 workers at United Inter-Mountain Telephone, and several thousand workers at other United Telephone companies.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal Corp. (NYSE: UCL) today reported

third quarter 1990 net earnings of $121 million, up 53 percent from $79 million for the same period a year ago. Earnings per share for the quarter were 52 cents, up from 34 cents for the third quarter 1989.

For the first nine months, Unocal's net earnings were $363 million, or $1.55 per share. This was 27 percent higher than 1989 earnings of $286 million, or $1.22 per share.

Richard J. Stegemeier, Unocal chairman, president and chief executive officer, said the increase in third quarter earnings was largely the result of sharply higher crude oil prices, partially offset by lower earnings from West Coast refining and marketing operations.

"Our worldwide price for crude oil averaged $20.22 per barrel in the third quarter, an increase of $6.30 a barrel from 1990's second quarter and $4.60 a barrel higher than a year ago," Stegemeier said. "On the other hand, earnings from Unocal's West Coast refining and marketing operations were down because market conditions prevented a full pass through of higher crude oil costs to consumers."

The third quarter and nine-month earnings also reflected higher natural gas production, improved shale oil operations, and lower net interest expense. These were partially offset by lower domestic crude oil production, higher domestic petroleum production expense, increased provisions for litigation and expenses associated with environmental programs. The quarter and year-to-date results also reflected the benefits of lower deferred income taxes.

The nine-month 1990 results included a $132 million after-tax gain from the sale of the company's wholly owned oil and gas subsidiary in Norway. The nine-month results in 1989 included gains from various natural gas contract settlements, the sale of surplus properties in Southern California and the settlement of certain pension obligations.

Cash flow from operations and asset sales, before working capital changes, were $373 million for the quarter, compared with $331 million a year ago. For the nine months, cash flow totaled $1.25 billion, compared with $1.03 billion a year ago.

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LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Imo Industries Inc. (NYSE: IMD) today reported net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $2.1 million, or $.12 per share, down from the $5.6 million, or $.31 per share reported for the third quarter of 1989.

Sales for the third quarter were $240.4 million, compared with $188.6 million reported for the third quarter of last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $14.7 million, or $.81 per share, down from the $22.6 million, or $1.26 per share reported for the same period a year ago. Sales for the most recent nine months were $743.9 million, compared with $567.7 million.

"Weakness in the economy affecting some of the company's markets, and internal actions reported during the first half of this year, negatively impacted third quarter earnings compared with those of a year ago," said W.J. Holcombe, IMO chairman and chief executive officer. "The timing of a number of deliveries on major programs should result in a substantial rebound in earnings for the fourth quarter from the third quarter.

Bookings in the third quarter increased 22 percent from those reported for the same period last year, and were up 2 percent on a pro forma basis.

Instrument Group sales were up 4 percent in the third quarter compared with a year ago, but operating income was down 26 percent. Income was impacted by adjustments made in the second quarter that set a substantial part of the electro-optical operation's backlog for the balance of the year to break even at the gross profit level. A portion of operating expenses were therefore not adequately covered resulting in Group operating margins below historic levels. Deliveries by the electro-optical operations scheduled for the fourth quarter, primarily to customers outside of the United States, should result in significant operating income improvement.

Third quarter sales of the Controls Group were more than double last year's level and operating income gained 32 percent, due to the inclusion of Roltra-Morse, acquired in September 1989. Further improvement in operating results was hampered by the continued depressed condition of the pleasure marine market and a generally less favorable mix of lower margined shipments. Competitive pressures, production- schedule reductions by Roltra-Morse's major automotive customer and a continuation of weak pleasure marine markets both in the United States and Europe, will depress performance somewhat in the fourth quarter.

The move of the Power Transmission Group's Boston Gear production activities from Quincy, Mass., to a modern, efficient facility in Charlotte, N.C., was largely completed during the third quarter as planned. Expenses related to this move were the primary reason operating income was below last year's level. Overall sales and income gains from the Group's pump operations were offset by the general softness in the defense and industrial sectors.

Sales of the Power Products and Services Group were up sharply from last year, primarily from increased unit shipments of rotating machinery. Operating

income was down from last year in part because of a less favorable mix of aftermarket maintenance and repair work, and because we are still in the startup phase of our new "Seawolf" submarine condenser program. Major turbomachinery units with favorable profit margins are scheduled for shipment in the fourth quarter.

IMO supplies analytical and optical instruments, electronic and mechanical controls, engineered power products and their support services to industrial and defense customers worldwide.

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NORTH PALM BEACH, FLA. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - FPL Group, Inc. (NYSE: FPL), the holding company for Florida Power & Light Company, today reported third quarter results and said that it was writing down its investment in its insurance subsidiary, Colonial Penn Group, Inc., and three other non-utility subsidiaries.

This action reflects the depressed conditions in the insurance, real estate and financial sectors of the economy and is consistent with FPL Group's previously announced strategy of focusing on energy-related businesses.

The third quarter after-tax charges totaled $752 million, of which $689 million represented reserve strengthening and write-downs related to Colonial Penn. This resulted in a net loss for FPL Group of $569 million, or ($4.19) per share for the quarter. In addition to the after-tax charges associated with Colonial Penn, the third quarter results include a write-down of $63 million reflecting FPL Group's decision to exit the real estate, cable television, and environmental remediation businesses.

Excluding the $752 million charge, the company's net income increased to $183 million, or $1.35 per share, from $159 million, or $1.20 per share, in the third quarter a year ago.

Earlier in the year, FPL Group retained the investment banking firm of Goldman Sachs & Co. to seek a buyer for Colonial Penn, and to investigate other alternatives for its insurance business. Although no agreement has been reached, discussions are continuing with potential buyers and it remains FPL Group's desire to exit the insurance business as soon as practicable, according to Broadhead. He added that, in the interim, actions are being taken to improve Colonial Penn's performance.

For the first nine months of 1990, FPL Group had a net loss of $432 million, or ($3.20) per share, reflecting the charges. Excluding the $752 million charge, FPL Group's net income was $319 million, or $2.36 per share, for the

first nine months of 1990. In the same period of 1989, the company reported net income of $340 million or $2.59 per share.

Florida Power & Light Company's contribution to FPL Group's net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $344 million, or $2.54 per share, compared with $340 million, or $2.59 per share, for the same period last year.

FPL Group's common stock is traded on the New York, London and Tokyo stock exchanges.

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WAYNE, PA. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Orthopedic Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: OSII), announced record revenues and earnings for the third quarter 1990. Revenues of $9,228,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 60 percent over the third quarter 1989. Gross profit of $5,048,000 increased 54 percent over the third quarter of 1989 and operating profit of $1,127,000 increased 46 percent over operating profit for the same period a year ago. Net income for the quarter was $563,000 compared to a net loss of $85,000 for the same period in 1989. Earnings per share were 8 cents compared to a 2 cent loss per share in the third quarter 1989.

On a quarter-to-quarter basis, compared to the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, net sales, gross profit, and operating profit increased 5 percent, 7 percent and 16 percent respectively. Gross profit margins increased from 54 percent to 55 percent and operating profit margins increased from 11 percent to 12 percent. Net income for the quarter was $563,000 compared to a net loss of $74,000 for the prior quarter.

Since the beginning of 1990, OSI has acquired 11 companies, including three in the third quarter. President Jeffrey S. Levitt stated, "We are in a strong financial position and will continue to expand our business through selected acquisitions and internal growth."

OSI is the largest provider of patient care services in the orthotic and prosthetic rehabilitation segment of the healthcare services industry. OSI currently provides services through 56 patient care centers in 13 states.

Orthotic rehabilitation is the fitting, design and fabrication of custom-made braces and support devices for the treatment of conditions resulting from illness, injury or congenital abnormalities. Prosthetic rehabilitation is the fitting and fabrication of custom-made artificial limbs required by people who have suffered the loss of a limb from vascular disease, diabetes, cancer or traumatic injuries.

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LAGRANGE, GA. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Interface Inc. (NASDAQ: IFSIA) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.06, payable Nov. 23 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 9.

Interface Inc. is the world's largest manufacturer of carpet tiles under the Interface and Heuga brands, and interior fabrics under the Guilford of Maine brand, for use in offices, healthcare facilities, airports, educational and other institutions, and retail facilities. The company also manufactures carpet tiles for residential use. In addition, the company engages in the manufacture and sale of chemicals used in various rubber and plastic products and offers Intersept(R), the company's proprietary antimicrobial chemical, under a licensing program to manufacturers of other products. The company holds and has pending patent applications for use of Intersept in a wide range of products.

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DALLAS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Commercial Metals Company (NYSE: CMC) today reported net earnings of $25.9 million or $2.27 per share on sales of $1.1 billion for the year ended Aug. 31, 1990. This compares with earnings of $28.5 million or $2.46 per share, on sales of $1.3 billion for the same period last year. Cash flow from operations was $48 million compared to the record $50 million last year.

CMC President and Chief Executive Officer Stanley A. Rabin said, "It was another fine performance, the second best year ever and close to last year's record earnings, and constituted the third consecutive strong year. Net earnings were $3.0 million higher (26 cents per share) because of the LIFO effect on inventory valuation. Conversely, profits were reduced by startup costs at several plant." According to Rabin, "It was another record year for the CMC Steel Group with sharply higher earnings whereas copper tube manufacturing was down. The Secondary Metals Division's results were significantly lower than last year's record; however, earnings in the Marketing and Trading Segment were higher than last year."

The company also announced that the board of directors has authorized the repurchase of an additional 750,000 shares of the company's common stock. Rabin said, "The company bought over 856,000 shares, amounting to $17 million,

last year and we believe CMC stock is significantly undervalued and an excellent investment."

Rabin concluded, "The outlook for Commercial Metals Company continues to be generally favorable although uncertainty has increased somewhat in recent weeks. The steel and metal markets are sluggish and we have observed some slowing overseas. Houston continues to lead the recovery in the Southwest. Our emphasis for increased profitability continues to be on the expansion of our manufacturing base and product line and an even larger presence in recycling."

Commercial Metals Company and subsidiaries manufacture, recycle and market steel and metal products, related materials and services through a network of over 70 locations including steel minimills, steel fabrication plants, a copper tube mill, recycling facilities and trading offices in the United States and trading and representative offices in strategic overseas markets.

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MELBOURNE, FLA. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) reported that net income in the first quarter ended Sept. 28 was $17.5 million compared with $25.6 million in the first quarter of last year. Earnings per share were 44 cents on 39.8 million shares outstanding, compared with 66 cents on 38.8 million shares. Sales for the quarter were $719.3 million vs. $717.0 million last year.

Total orders increased over the year-earlier period, due primarily to good order growth in the Electronic Systems Sector and strong bookings in the Communications Sector. Total orders exceeded shipments in the quarter.

John T. Hartley, Harris chairman and chief executive, said, "The first-quarter results of our four business sectors were in line with the outlook statement released in September. Electronic Systems and Lanier Worldwide posted good increases in earnings on slightly higher sales. The Communications Sector reported lower sales and a decline in earnings, primarily as a result of lower domestic business. Semiconductor sales were relatively flat, and the sector reported a small loss compared with strong earnings in last year's first quarter. Results in this sector were negatively impacted by pricing pressures and higher-than-planned restructuring costs."

Looking ahead, Hartley said, "There is an unusually high degree of uncertainty and instability in the world economic and political environment, and it is difficult to predict what effect this will have in the months ahead. Our two largest business sectors, Electronic Systems and Lanier Worldwide, are off to a good start, and we expect these businesses to show earnings gains for the

year as a whole. Our present outlook for the Communications Sector is for earnings to be somewhat lower for the year, but we are encouraged by incoming order strength, particularly in international orders."

"In the Semiconductor Sector, we believe that second-quarter results will be close to the breakeven mark, followed by a return to profitability in the second half of the year," Hartley continued. "We are cautiously optimistic that we will see modest growth in the domestic semiconductor market in the second half, which could alleviate some of the current pressure on selling prices. Also, we are well along with the restructuring of the Semiconductor Sector, and we expect that the benefits from plant consolidations, headcount reductions, and the discontinuance of marginal products will start to appear in the second half."

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Alamo Rent A Car, Florida's and the nation's largest independently owned and operated car rental company, has been awarded one of the consumer world's most prized professional honors for developing 1990's "outstanding consumer service training program," the company announced today.

The Florida-based car rental company took top honors in the 14th annual nationwide competition sponsored by the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals in Business.

The society is the major national organization of consumer affairs executives for the country's largest consumer products and services companies. Previous winners of the prestigious award include such blue-chip firms as the Quaker Oats Company, the Reader's Digest organization, and Nissan Motors.

Acknowledging the first-place honor bestowed on the Fort Lauderdale headquartered car renter, President Charles D. Platt said: "This is an especially significant award for Alamo because vacation travel is such a service-driven industry and so important to Florida. I accept it with pride on behalf of all of our superbly trained 5,000 employees in Florida, 34 other states and overseas."

Society Vice President Russell E. Schmuhl, a consumer affairs executive with the Polaroid Corporation, made the presentation to Platt at the organization's just-concluded 1990 convention. He lauded the winning program for its "outstanding success in enhancing Alamo employees' ability to provide quality consumer service at every level."

The society's award went specifically to Alamo's unique "Best Friends"

employee training project launched in May 1989, to rigorously train every one of the car rental firm's employees from top management down. Phase one of the training project, completed one year ago, was aimed at achieving what Platt called, "Alamo's single most important objective: to be first in service in the car rental industry."

The unique undertaking was designed to motivate employees to demonstrate the highest levels of courtesy, concern, and friendliness in their dealings with the approximately five million consumers Alamo currently serves annually.

Its implementation was supported by a comprehensive, on going program of training, counseling, instruction, and rewards that quickly produced unprecedented new levels of consumer satisfaction for the company.

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SHELTON, CT (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Forschner Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: FSNR), today announced changes on the board of directors, including a new chairman and three new directors. William L. Bennett, president and chief executive officer of Noel Group, Inc., in New York, is the new chairman, succeeding Harry R. Thompson.

Thompson, who is chairman and chief executive officer of Telesphere Communications, Inc., in Chicago, a provider of interactive 900 telephone services and long distance services to hotels, stepped down as chairman, but will remain a director, because of increasing business commitments. Telesphere recently completed the acquisition of National Telephone Services Inc.

The three new directors are O.J. Simpson, NBC Sports commentator and Hall of Fame professional football player, John Spencer, Ph.D., holder of the African Studies Professorship at Middlebury College, and Karen Brenner Stein, vice president of Noel Group.

Commenting on the changes, James W. Kennedy, president and chief executive officer of Forschner, said, "I'm delighted by the range of talents that the new board members bring to Forschner. A growing marketing company in a difficult economy wants and needs experienced board-level judgment to ensure the future.

"I'm also very pleased that Harry Thompson will continue as a director. His counsel on new product introductions and the depth of his marketing skills are invaluable. The increased participation in Forschner by Bill Bennett is also very welcome. His financial and management background are important assets for the company."

Bennett was with Rockefeller & Company, Inc., for two years and previously was a partner of Bain & Company in Boston for five years before joining Noel, a private company with substantial interests in the energy, ophthalmic, and real estate development fields. He is a director of Taunton Technologies, Inc., Global Natural Resources, Inc., and Xenejenex Inc.

Simpson was the Heisman Trophy winner at USC in 1968 and went on to become pro football's second leader rusher in NFL history with the Buffalo Bills. He started his sportscasting career in 1977 and has worked with ABC as well as NBC. He has produced films and been a personality on a number of television specials. He is active as a spokesman in television and print commercials for a variety of consumer companies.

Spencer has been at Middlebury since 1974 and has served as dean of the college and chairman of the history department. He worked as a Peace Corps evaluator in Africa, as a program officer for the Ford Foundation, and as a fellow in the Institute of Current World Affairs in East Africa. He is now chairman of the Institute of Current World Affairs.

Ms. Stein operated her own management and financial consulting business, specializing in turnaround situations, before joining Noel in 1989. She is a director of Noel and Taunton Technologies, Inc.

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NEW YORK, NY (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Norfolk Southern Corporation (NYSE: NSC) today reported third quarter net income of $142.9 million, or 89 cents per common share, down 5.0 percent from the $150.5 million, or 87 cents per common share earned in 1989. Per-share earnings for the quarter increased 2.3 percent over last year, reflecting Norfolk Southern's continuing stock purchase program.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $439.0 million, or $2.68 per common share, down 4.1 percent from the $458.0 million, or $2.61 per common share, earned in the 1989 period. Nine-month earnings per share, up 2.7 percent, also reflect the effects of the continuing stock purchase program.

"Income from operations for the quarter was up 6.5 percent," said Arnold B. McKinnon, chairman, president and chief executive officer, "even though diesel fuel expense was up 24.7 percent, mostly because of higher prices. Other income-net, however, was reduced 53.7 percent, the result of a combination of investment-related transactions and increased interest expense on debt incurred to finance the stock purchase program.

"In the third quarter, a $35.0 million gain resulting from the sale of

securities of RF&P Corporation was more than offset by a $40.0 million write-down reflecting the reduced market value of certain securities held for investment purposes," McKinnon said,.

Transportation operating revenues for the third quarter were $1.18 billion, up 2.9 percent compared with the $1.14 billion in the 1989 period. Railway operating revenues of $936.8 million were 3.7 percent higher than the $903.3 million in the third quarter of 1989. Motor carrier revenues were down 0.3 percent, from $238.8 million in 1989 to $238.2 million this year.

Coal revenues increased 9.8 percent in the third quarter. General merchandise revenues remained essentially flat, although automotive revenues increased 6.5 percent and intermodal revenues increased 3.0 percent.

For the first nine months of 1990, total transportation operating revenues of $3.49 billion were 1.9 percent higher than the $3.43 billion the previous year. Railway operating revenues of $2.86 billion for the first nine months of 1990 increased 2.6 percent over the $2.78 billion in the previous year, while, in the same period, motor carrier revenues of $637.7 million declined 1.3 percent from $646.0 million last year.

Total transportation operating expenses for the third quarter of 1990 were $961.3 million, up 2.1 percent from the $941.4 million last year. Railway operating expenses for the quarter increased 2.1 percent, while motor carrier expenses increased 2.3 percent. For the first nine months, total transportation operating expenses increased 1.7 percent over the comparable 1989 period, with railway expenses up 2.1 percent and motor carrier expenses up 0.7 percent.

The railway operating ratio -- the percentage of revenues that goes into operating the railroads -- was 77.6 for the third quarter, compared with 78.9 in 1989, and was 77.4 for the first nine months, compared with 77.8 in 1989.

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JASPER, ALA. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - First Commercial Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FSCB) announced today that James W. Wilson Jr., a director of the company since 1989, resigned from the board effective Oct. 23.

On Oct. 22, Wilson filed a petition under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code on behalf of himself and several entities he owns or controls.

John T. Oliver Jr., chairman of the board, stated that: "Mr. Wilson has decided to resign from his board positions in order to devote full time to his financial restructuring. Despite the close relationship that First Commercial

and its subsidiary banks have had with Mr. Wilson in the past, we foresee no significant adverse consequences of this bankruptcy to our earnings or financial condition."

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BURBANK, CA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Summit Health Ltd. (NASDAQ: SUMH) today announced earnings of $1.6 million, or $.05 per share for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The results represent an increase of 56.4 percent over 1990 first quarter earnings of $1.1 million, or $.03 per share, on 31,250,000 average shares outstanding for both quarters.

There were four dominant trends which contributed to improved earnings: seven percent growth in outpatient services; increasing demand for critical care services; an increased intensity of both inpatient and outpatient services; and improved financial operating systems.

First quarter revenues were $92.8 million compared to $93.3 million last fiscal year. For facilities in operation during the first quarter of both fiscal years, net revenues increased by six percent, from $87.4 million to $92.8 million.

Summit Health Ltd. is an investor-owned health care company, which operates 12 hospitals with a total of 1,648 licensed beds and 17 nursing facilities with a total of 2,230 licensed beds in California, Texas, Arizona and Iowa. The company also operates medical office buildings, retirement hotels and substance abuse centers.

SUMMIT HEALTH LTD.
CONSOLIDATED OPERATING RESULTS
(Dollars in millions, except per share data)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$92.8	$93.3
Income from operations	5.6	5.1
Income before income taxes	2.7	1.7
Net income	1.6	1.1
Net income per share	.05	.03
Average number of shares outstanding	31,250,000	31,250,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The boards of directors of Financial News Network Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FNNIE) and Infotechnology, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ITCH), which owns 47 percent of FNN, today announced that they have appointed Alan J. Hirschfield and Allan R. Tessler interim co-chief executives, effective immediately.

Hirschfield and Tessler will serve as a restructuring team to address FNN's and Infotech's financial problems and analyze and present options for consideration by the boards of the two companies. Such options may include restructuring of debt and lease obligations and sale of some or all of the companies' businesses.

Dr. Earl W. Brian, who has been chief executive officer of both companies, will continue as non-executive chairman of both boards and as a director of both companies.

Hirschfield, formerly chief executive officer of both 20th Century Fox and Columbia Pictures, is currently a managing director of Wertheim Schroder & Co. Inc. Tessler is presently chairman of International Financial Group, Inc., Ameriscribe, Inc. and International Controls Corp.

They have been involved in several business restructurings and have broad experience in corporate finance and, in Hirschfield's case, with media companies. Tessler also has had substantial experience as a lawyer with a large New York law firm. Tessler, who has been an Infotech director since mid-1989, has relinquished that position to assume his new post.

As previously reported, FNN has been unable to date to complete and file its annual financial reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), for the fiscal year ended June 30.

Infotechnology, Inc. is an integrated communications and information company positioned to meet the needs of businesses and consumers with fast, easy-to-use information products of economic value to its customers.

Financial News Network provides three services to more than 35 million homes on 3,500 cable systems throughout the United States and Canada. The television programming services are FNN:BUSINESS (business news and personal financial management) and FNN:SPORTS (sports information and news). And the market data service is FNN:Data Broadcasting (stock quotes and market information to personal computers).

FNN also operates a business radio service, owns 49 percent of Shark Information Services Corporation. (supplying investment professionals with quotes and market data), and owns, together with Infotech, a majority position in The Learning Channel, Inc.

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BEDFORD, MA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Millipore Corporation (NYSE: MIL) announced today that its earnings per share were 37 cents in the third quarter up from 36 cents per share last year. While net income rose 3 percent in the third quarter, pretax income was up 15 percent. Tax rates were 13 and 22 percent for the third quarters of 1989 and 1990, respectively. Millipore reduced its tax rate in the third quarter of 1989 to achieve an annual rate of 22 percent for the full year 1989, the same rate as applied for 1990.

Earlier in the month, Millipore reported that sales grew 18 percent for its ongoing business in the third quarter of 1990 and 14 percent for the first nine months of the year. Compared with reported 1989 results, which included the revenues of Millipore's process water business sold later that year, third quarter 1990 sales were up 9 percent and 5 percent for the first nine months of 1990.

If currency exchange rates had been constant in 1989 and 1990, the growth in Millipore's sales from its ongoing business would have been 12 percent in the third quarter and 11 percent for the first nine months.

Millipore is a high technology growth company that leads the $3.1 billion separations industry. Millipore products are used for analysis, synthesis and purification in life science research, pharmaceutical production, environmental testing, beverage processing, semiconductor manufacturing, health care, and other applications.

MILLIPORE CORPORATION
Consolidated Statements of Income
(In thousands except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$172,763	$157,865
Cost of sales	77,922	71,052
Gross profit	94,841	86,813
Selling, general and administrative expenses	65,440	59,853
Research & dev. expenses	15,383	13,999
Operating income	14,018	12,961
Interest expense, net	(849)	(1,461)
Income before income taxes	13,169	11,500
Provision for		

income taxes	2,832	1,497
Net income	$10,337	$10,003
Net income per common share	37 cents	36 cents
Weighted average common shares outstanding	27,856	27,900
Cash dividends per common share	11 cents	10 cents

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INDEPENDENCE, OH (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert C. Savage, president and chief executive officer of Savage & Associates, a Toledo insurance, estate planning and financial planning organization, has been elected to the board of directors of the Centerior Energy Corporation (NYSE: CX).

The election of Savage at yesterday's regular board meeting brings to 14 the number of directors of the electric utility holding company. Savage has been a member of the advisory committee of a Centerior operating subsidiary, Toledo Edison. Toledo Edison and Centerior Energy's other operating subsidiary, Cleveland Electric Illuminating, provide electric service to about one million retail customers in Northern Ohio.

With his brother, John, Savage formed the Savage Insurance Agency in 1959. Today, Savage & Associates employs nearly 100 people. In 1963, at the age of 25, Savage was elected to the Toledo City Council-the youngest member in its history. He concluded his council career in 1969, serving as vice mayor the last two years.

Savage serves on the boards of the University of Toledo and Notre Dame Academy (Toledo) and is a member of the advisory board to the superintendent of Catholic schools. He is active in numerous community organizations, including the Committee of 100. He serves on the board of directors of 11 business organizations and is the immediate past chairman of the board of St. Vincent Medical Center and the Toledo Opera Association.

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BELLEVUE, WA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Edmark Corp. (OTC Pink Sheets) announced today significantly improved sales and results for its first quarter.

Sales for the first quarter totaled $1,149,083, up 11 percent from a strong first quarter in 1989. Net income for the quarter was $126,560, or $0.07 per share, up strongly from the net income of $14,474, or $0.003 per share, in the year earlier period. 1989 per share results are adjusted for the 1-for-3 reverse stock split which occurred in November 1989.

"The first quarter is always a seasonally strong quarter for Edmark," said Sally Narodick, chief executive officer, "but the results for this period also reflect the progress that has been made in restoring our TouchWindow margins."

Narodick attributed part of the improved performance to the resolution of previously reported supply and cost problems on the TouchWindow which had adversely impacted the year ago quarter. "Strong sales of new and existing products and continued emphasis on expense control also contributed to the improvement," she reported.

Edmark Corp. publishes print and software curriculum materials to teach basic skills to special education and remedial market segments. Copies of Edmark's 1990 educational materials catalog and software catalog are available from Edmark Corp., P.O. Box 3903, Bellevue, WA 98009-3903.

EDMARK CORP.
KEY FINANCIAL ITEMS

First Quarter Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
Income Statement Data:		
Net sales	$1,149,083	$1,034,159
Net earnings	126,560	14,474
Earnings per share	0.070	0.003
Balance Sheet Data:		
Current assets	$1,375,645	$1,259,449
Total assets	1,627,059	1,548,074
Current liabilities	499,905	561,831
Stockholders' equity	1,118,510	974,402
Current ratio	2.75 to 1	2.24 to 1
Debt to equity	0.21 to 1	0.27 to 1

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - LifeCore Biomedical, Inc. (NASDAQ: LCBM), today announced a revenue increase of 46 percent during the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues increased to $1,451,000 during the current period compared to $997,000 for the same period last year. The company also reported a net loss of $267,000, or five cents per share compared to a loss of $206,000, or four cents per share last year.

LifeCore indicated that overall financial results were in line with management's expectations. The gain in revenues was primarily attributed to increased sales in the Orthomatrix Division's oral restorative product line. Sales of the company's recently introduced SUSTAIN(TM) HA-Biointegrated Dental Implant System grew substantially, indicating increasing acceptance of the new product by dental and oral surgical clinicians. The aggressive marketing and sales effort in support of the introduction of SUSTAIN continues to be the principal reason for recent quarterly losses.

James W. Bracke, LifeCore's president stated that while the costs associated with the introduction of SUSTAIN are affecting short-term financial performance, sales growth for the new dental implant line is occurring at a rapid rate.

LifeCore develops, manufactures and markets high purity biomaterials and medical devices used in orthopedic, ophthalmic and dental surgery. The company has aligned itself with large, well-established medical companies to broaden the commercial applications for its proprietary products. Those companies include Biomet, Inc. and divisions of Nestle SA, Johnson and Johnson and United States Gypsum Company.

LIFECORE BIOMEDICAL, INC.

	Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net Sales	$1,451,000	$997,000
Cost of goods sold	811,000	530,000
Research and Development	128,000	174,000
Marketing and sales	451,000	185,000
General and administrative	341,000	373,000
Other income	13,000	59,000
Net earnings (loss)	$(267,000)	$(206,000)
Net earnings (loss) per share	$(.05)	$(.04)

BALANCE SHEET DATA

	9/30/90	6/30/90
Working capital	$2,869,000	$3,326,000
Total assets	15,297,000	7,977,000
Long-term debt	7,789,000	245,000
Shareholders' equity	6,610,000	6,877,000

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MCLEAN, VA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Vie de France Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS:

VDEF) announced today the results of its first quarter which ended Sept. 22, 1990.

For the quarter, the company's sales increased 3 percent to $22,920,000 from $22,306,000 in the first quarter and the previous year. Net loss for the period was $1,297,000 (-10 cents per share), versus $286,000 (-3 cents per share) for the first quarter of 1990. Operating loss before interest and taxes of $758,000 compares to an operating income of $30,000 for the same period a year ago.

Jean-Louis Vilgrain, chairman, reported that the loss for the quarter is a result of continuing losses in the restaurant division and costs associated with the Culinary Division sous vide start-up. As compared to the prior year, most of the increase in the loss was a result of this new venture. Slightly higher interest costs associated with capital spending for new plants and equipment also contributed to the loss. While the prior year quarter's net loss was reduced by an income tax carryback benefit of $207,000, the company has since fully utilized all available tax loss carrybacks, and therefore had no tax benefit to offset the current quarter's loss.

He further stated that at the end of the first quarter the company has begun to see significant volume increases in sous vide shipments as several prominent hotel chains have become customers. Culinary Division losses are expected to be substantially reduced in coming months and this division is expected to be operating at breakeven by fiscal year end. Management continues to be more and more optimistic about its sous vide entry into the marketplace. In a few short months since the plant was opened Vie de France has become recognized as the highest quality producer of sous vide.

The results of the Bakery and Restaurant Divisions were impacted by the slowdown in the economy; however, the Bakery Division was able to improve its results due to the consolidation of facilities, increased efficiencies, and the impact of new items introduced such as European Hearth Breads, which have been well received in the marketplace. The Restaurant Division, although it has lowered its operating costs and improved its efficiency is also experiencing the direct result of the economic slowdown, which is clearly evidenced by fewer mall customers in recent weeks. While the restaurant business is soft, aggressive marketing and operations efforts are minimizing the sales losses. Several menu changes, including dinner entrees, value priced additions at lunch, and children's menus, are planned in the near future. In mid- November the first two Vie de France Express Cafe franchises operated by the Marriott Corporation will open in Phoenix Airport, which is the start of the Marriott franchise program. As a continuing part of its strategy to sell restaurants outside of Washington and Chicago, the company reported that two restaurants in Orange County, Calif., will be sold shortly and offers are pending on restaurants in several other areas. Vilgrain stated that the company is carefully reviewing additional solutions to its restaurant operational problems in the face of increasing economic pressure.

In summary, he concluded that the company is committed to take serious action to reduce restaurant losses and to continue to increase significantly its market presence in its wholesale bakery and sous vide operations.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Sysco Corporation (NYSE: SYY) today reported results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 which ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Sales for the quarter rose eight percent to $2.03 billion as compared to the $1.88 billion of the previous year. Net income of $37.6 million, or $0.41 per share, was 19 percent more than the $31.6 million, or $0.35 per share, earned during the initial quarter of fiscal 1990.

In commenting on the company's results during the quarter, John Woodhouse, chairman and chief executive officer of Sysco, stated, "Operating performance for the quarter was in line with our expectations as solid sales and profit growth was experienced across most of the country.

"We are especially pleased by the results achieved during the quarter by Sysco's traditional foodservice companies which, after adjusting for the effects of acquisitions and nearly three percent annualized food price inflation, attained real sales growth in excess of 8.5 percent - a continuing improvement over the 7.5 percent rate of the preceding quarter."

Woodhouse said the company expects food price inflation to trend upward to between three and five percent during the remainder of fiscal 1991, in part due to the delayed impact of recent rising petroleum costs.

The company is maintaining an extensive capital expenditure program to enlarge distribution capacity and improve operating efficiencies. Sysco estimates that it will likely invest approximately $180 million in facilities, fleet and other fixed assets during fiscal 1991.

Major new facilities are currently under construction in New Orleans, La., and Portland, Ore. In addition, Sysco's two operating companies in the San Francisco Bay Area will expend significant amounts on new distribution centers in fiscal 1991 in order to support strong sales momentum in northern California.

In conclusion, Woodhouse commented, "We are gratified with the company's progress during the first quarter and look forward to the remainder of the fiscal year with optimism. Sysco is committed to achieving ongoing real double-digit sales growth in its markets by offering appropriate products and

the highest level of service to our valued customers."

Sysco is the nation's largest foodservice marketing and distribution organization. The company provides its products and services to approximately 230,000 customers located across the United States and western Canada. The Sysco distribution network currently covers virtually the entire continental United States including all of its 150 largest cities.

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DALLAS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Income Opportunity Realty Trust (AMEX: IOT) today announced it will record a $6.3 million provision for losses in its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The trust will record a $4.6 million loss provision representing its entire investment in a mortgage receivable related to an office building in Walnut Creek, Calif. The trust has a second mortgage on the property and expects the holder of the first mortgage to foreclose. Income Opportunity will record a $1.7 million loss provision representing its entire joint venture interest in a California industrial warehouse development. The trust had been funding operating deficits since 1988, incurring substantial losses on this investment and had seen improvements in the property's negative cash flow. However, it has determined to stop funding these deficits as a result of increased vacancies and collection problems. These two investments accounted for 21 percent of the trust's gross assets at June 30, 1990. The trust has not previously taken any provisions for losses on these assets.

"This is a substantial loss provision, as it will represent approximately $1.70 per share, but one we believe is necessary to continue to carry our real estate assets at net realizable value," said a spokesperson for the trust. "We will continue to evaluate our portfolio on an ongoing basis and expect that further losses in the mortgage portfolio may be unavoidable."

Income Opportunity Realty Trust is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Reginald F. Lewis, chairman and chief executive officer of TLC Beatrice International Holdings, Inc., today announced that net income from continuing operations for the first nine months

of the year, aided by a strong third quarter, exceeded $40 million, higher than the total amount, $15.6 million, reported for all of 1989.

Net income from continuing operations for the first nine months of 1990 increased by 121.9 percent to $41.1 million compared to $18.5 million in the same period last year.

Sales for the first nine months of this year increased by 29.8 percent to $1.12 billion compared to $862.6 million for the same period in 1989 and $1.14 billion for all of 1989. Operating income for the first nine months of 1990 was $84.6 million, 47.1 percent higher than the $57.5 million reported for the same period in 1989.

The company's third-quarter results were also strong. Net income from continuing operations in the third quarter of 1990 increased by 99.2 percent to $23.5 million compared to $11.8 for the same period last year.

Sales in the third quarter of this year advanced by 38.1 percent to $405.5 million compared to $293.7 million in the third quarter of 1989. Operating income in the third quarter of 1990 rose by 62.5 percent to $47.4 million compared to $29.2 million in the same period last year.

"I am pleased by our nine-month and third-quarter results because, by and large, they reflect across-the-board gains by all of our units despite operating in highly competitive environments. Though favorable exchange rates helped us, particularly in the third quarter, these results show real unit gains from our operations," Lewis said.

Lewis added that, while 1990 will be a record year, efforts to improve fourth-quarter results over a year ago remain a top priority.

TLC Beatrice International's results in the third quarter benefited from sharp increases in sales and earnings by its operations in France, southern Europe and Germany. Its results were also helped by the favorable impact of foreign currencies strengthening against the dollar.

TLC Beatrice International is a multinational food company that is based in New York with division offices in Paris and Brussels, Belgium. Its operations include wholesale and retail food distribution in France and the manufacture and marketing of ice cream, processed snacks and other grocery products throughout Western Europe.

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SKOKIE, ILL. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Brunswick Corporation (NYSE: BC) today

reported net earnings of $53.8 million, or 61 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, versus a net loss of $103.1 million, or $1.17 per share, in the same period of 1989. This year's third quarter results include a pretax gain of $84.2 million ($46.7 million after-tax, or 53 cents per share) from dispositions of the company's non-defense, technical businesses. The 1989 third quarter results include a $100 million pretax restructuring charge ($79.2 million after-tax, or 90 cents per share) primarily for the reorganization and consolidation of operations in the company's marine segment. Net sales for the quarter of $587.9 million were down six percent from sales of $627.7 million in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $88.0 million, or $1.00 per share, as compared to a net loss of $65.4 million, or 74 cents per share, in the same period last year. Net sales for the nine-month e?riod were $1.94 billion, a decrease of 11 percent from sales of $2.19 billion in 1989.

The company's technical segment showed a 25 percent sales decrease, but operating earnings were $4.9 million during the third quarter versus an operating loss of $1.8 million in 1989. "The results in this segment are not comparable between years; the 1990 results have been affected by the dispositions of the businesses of the industrial products and Technetics divisions, and 1989 results include a $9.5 million pretax restructuring charge. Although defense division sales declined by 13 percent during the quarter, the division's operating earnings, exclusive of the restructuring charge in 1989, increased by four percent as the result of improved performance on several contracts which were in a start-up phase last year," Reichert explained.

Headquartered in Skokie, Ill., Brunswick Corporation serves worldwide markets in the marine power, pleasure boating, recreation and defense/aerospace areas. Its stock is traded on the New York, Tokyo, London and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S) today reported third-quarter consolidated net income of $179.2 million or 53 cents per share, compared with $257.5 million or 75 cents per share a year ago. Revenues rose 5.9 percent to $13.96 billion from $13.18 billion in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, Sears' consolidated net income was $523.4 million or $1.53 per share, compared with $906.4 million or $2.56 per share in the same period of last year. For the nine months, discontinued operations contributed net income of $10.5 million, compared with $62.7 million in 1989.

Nine-month revenues rose 4.7 percent to $40.41 billion from $38.62 billion last year.

Sears Merchandise Group reported third-quarter net income of $89.2 million, compared with $82.9 million a year ago. Revenues were $7.83 billion, compared with $7.59 billion in 1989. The domestic merchandise segment's third-quarter loss of $2.3 million decreased slightly from last year's loss of $6.9 million. Brennan said the performance of several merchandising businesses -- including home appliances and electronics, automotive and women's apparel -- was encouraging, reflecting the effectiveness of those merchandising strategies. Performance remained sluggish in catalog, home fashions, home improvements, and children's and men's apparel.

Allstate Insurance Group reported third-quarter income of $108.7 million, compared with $126.1 million a year ago. Revenues rose 10.4 percent to $4.66 billion, compared with $4.23 billion in 1989.

For the nine months, Allstate income totaled $444.1 million, compared with last year's $569.8 million. Group revenues for the period this year totaled $13.59 billion, compared with $12.57 billion a year ago.

Dean Witter Financial Services Group reported third-quarter income of $57.2 million, compared with $35.7 million in 1989. Securities business produced income of $24.9 million, compared with $18.2 million last year. Discover Card operations continued its strong performance with income of $29.5 million, compared with $23.3 million in 1989. Discover Card's gross receivables balance now exceeds $10 billion, compared with $7.2 billion a year ago. Group revenues increased 16.3 percent to $1.15 billion, compared with $993.0 million a year ago.

Coldwell Banker Real Estate Group reported third-quarter income of $1.8 million, compared with $81.2 million last year. The decline was the result of the timing of property sales as well as the soft residential market. This year's after-tax gain from the sale of properties was $18.1 million, compared with $87.2 million a year ago. Revenues totaled $356.0 million, compared with $395.3 million in 1989.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - At its regular quarterly meeting on Oct. 23, the board of directors of Crawford & Co. (NYSE: CRDB) declared quarterly dividends of $0.095 per share on the Class A Common Stock and $0.08 per share on the Class B Common Stock payable on Nov. 15 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Nov. 8.

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MT. KISCO, NY (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Those travelers looking for great value in a British Isles vacation should be referred to the TWA Getaway Britain and Ireland 1991 brochure, released on Oct. 15, 1990: the program offers terrific low prices - starting at just $199 for a week in London - with two West End theater tickets included.

Cost-conscious travelers will find three new itineraries designed particularly with them in mind, bringing this year's collection - a compendium of all British Isles tours from the 1991 Europe and Budget Europe programs - up to 23. Vacations range from four-day mini-tours to three-week grand tours in four price categories.

And as with other Getaway programs, all vacations in the 52-page brochure are backed by the TWA Getaway Tour Warranty, which guarantees all tour elements will be as described in the brochure.

The new tour in the budget category is the 16-day escorted Britain and Ireland. The tour begins in London, moves swiftly on to Wales and across the Irish Sea to Ireland: among the sights visited are Blarney Castle, the Killarney lakelands and the Cliffs of Moher, plus Dublin.

Returning to Wales, the route continues across the Lake District to Edinburgh before turning south for visits to Abbotsford, Harewood House, York, and Stratford, on the way back to London. With continental breakfasts with juice daily, dinners on six evenings, and comfortable accommodations in budget class hotels, it is a very good value at just $1,298 to $1,338 plus air fare.

The Top Value category, using a combination of officially rated first class and superior tourist class hotels, offers two new itineraries in 1991. Bonnie Scotland concentrates closely on the Lowlands and Highlands of Scotland, offering clients a two-night stay in Edinburgh, plus visits to the famed golf course at St. Andrew, the distillery of Glenfiddich, the Isle of Skye and Loch Lomond. It's a 12-day adventure from just $1,038 plus air fare.

England, Ireland, and Scotland is a leisurely, three-week tour of Great Britain and the Republic of Ireland, starting at just $1,929 plus air fare. Highlights of this in-depth itinerary, sure to be popular, include a visit to Harewood House (a stately home), the Peak District, views of the Royal Family's wooded glens at Balmoral, and a full-day scenic drive around Ireland's Ring of Kerry.

The tour swings through Devon and Cornwall - pausing in Glastonbury to see the

Abbey and in Plymouth for a cruise on the Sound - before returning to London. Full breakfasts (continental-style in London) are included daily and included three-course Getaway tours in Britain and Ireland, groups are accompanied by experienced tour directors, with helpful hostess service in London.

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WEST CHESTER, PA. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Roy F. Weston Inc.'s (NASDAQ: WSTNA) (WESTON), Asbestos and Indoor Quality Practice, headquartered in Auburn Ala., has received several new contracts and task orders under existing contracts valued at over $2.9 million with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Naval Facilities Engineering Command and Department of Veteran Affairs.

The contracts for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, totaling $1,560,000, provides engineering and industrial hygiene services to support the Army's asbestos management and environmental programs. Specifically, the Louisville District of the U.S. Ao?rps of Engineers has issued two contracts totaling $620,000 for asbestos surveys and management plans at Selfridge Air National Guard Base in Michigan and Fort Knox in Kentucky. Additionally, the Kansas City District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has awarded a $600,000 contract for similar work at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri.

Also, the Mobile District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has issued new task orders totaling $340,000 for consulting services at Fort McClellan in Alabama; and Tyndall Air Force Base and Eglin Air Force Base in Florida.

WESTON has performed asbestos surveys and asbestos management training services for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers worldwide, including Korea, Germany and Central America.

The Naval Facilities Engineering Command's Atlantic Division headquartered in Norfolk, Va., has renewed its relationship with WESTON's Asbestos Practice by awarding it a second contract for professional services with a maximum authority of $1,000,000 over two years. The Navy has already issued several orders totaling $690,000 under this authority.

In addition to the Corps and Navy contracts, WESTON has been awarded four contracts totaling $386,000 by four different VA Medical Centers. These are for professional consulting services for management or abatement of asbestos in hospitals under the jurisdiction of the Department of Veterans Affairs. The VA Medical Centers awarding contracts to WESTON are: VA Medical Center in Albuquerque, N.M.; VA Medical Center in Buffalo, N.Y.; VA Medical Center in Southhampton, Mass. and VA Medical Center in Big Springs, Texas.

WESTON has provided engineering and industrial hygiene services to 30

different VA Medical Centers to assist them with their asbestos management program.

WESTON is a full-service environmental and health and safety firm, providing nationwide analytical laboratory services, consulting and engineering, remediation, facility construction and operations, technical information management and major program management services.

WESTON is headquartered in West Chester, and operates a network of four analytical laboratories and 44 offices, including Los Angeles, Houston, Chicago, Atlanta, Boston, New York and Washington, D.C.

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MT. KISCO, N.Y. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - As the face of Europe changes with every passing day, TWA Getaway is proud to announce the launch of its Europe 1991 program on Oct. 15, 1990. With 80 vacation options, including seven innovative new itineraries, it promises to offer Americans plenty of choice -- and the destinations highlighted are more interesting and accessible than ever before. All vacations in the 196-page brochure are backed by the TWA Getaway Tour Warranty which guarantees all tour elements will be as described in the brochure.

"Unity" was the watchword of Europe in 1990. The old Iron Curtain satellites united in their efforts to oust their communist governments, most graphically symbolized in the destruction of the Berlin Wall, culminated in the autumn reunification of Germany. Even in the Soviet Union, changes that would have seemed impossible a year or two ago are receiving approval at the highest level. The western countries are themselves concentrating on ironing out national differences before the European Community becomes a united entity in 1992. According to Lene Hildebrand, director of Getaway's international division, "Getaway has made a special effort to introduce several itineraries that will bring these changes into focus for Americans, and at guaranteed prices which should satisfy any traveler wary of currency fluctuations."

Two new 10-day Freestyle itineraries concentrate on Eastern Europe, but in very different ways. The Berlin-Prague-Vienna tours travels between the capitals of Germany, Czechoslovakia and Austria by private motorcoach, accompanied during the drive by an experienced tour director; it uses First Class hotels exclusively and costs from $1,198 per person plus air fare. As it must cover greater distances between Germany and the Soviet Union, the Berlin-Moscow-Leningrad tour travels by air, but it is still very reasonably priced ($958 throughout the season, including Moscow to Leningrad air fare). This Freestyle itinerary also includes full-day sightseeing in each city, plus a farewell dinner party on the last night in Leningrad. To open up a new

Freestyle region -- Scandinavia -- 1991 introduces a nine-day Stockholm-Oslo-Copenhagen itinerary to explore these three popular capitals. Land prices begin at only $869 per person.

All Freestyle tours -- there are 19 in the 1991 program -- include round-trip airport transfers, the services of a hostess and a half-day guided sightseeing tour in each city, while offering the visitor plenty of free time to explore on their own. Most use First Class accommodations, others (in cities such as Paris, Amsterdam, Rome and Madrid) offer a choice of First Class or Top Value or Superior First Class hotels; in London, four hotel categories are offered, including Budget. (TWA Getaway's low-cost holidays to other destinations are covered in the Budget Europe 1991 program, also currently open for bookings.)

For 1991, the First Class program remains basically unchanged, though several itineraries have been amended to take advantage of new or improved circumstances. All continue to offer the best value -- dollar for dollar -- available on escorted tours to Europe, with many money- saving features on every departure. Among them are included entrance fees to sights visited, bonus highlight events such as dinner parties, wine tastings and evening entertainment, discounts on air travel and on consecutive tours. The brochure contains brief descriptions of all hotels used in the program, giving agents and passengers a clear idea of the excellent accommodations available.

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JOHNSTOWN, PA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Johnstown Savings Bank, FSB, (NASDAQ: JSBK) today announced consolidated earnings of $259,639 or $0.13 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $123,902 or $0.06 per share for the third quarter of last year. Consolidated earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30 1990, were $522,396 or $0.27 per share as compared to earnings of $16,388 or $0.01 per share for the same period of last year. The net earnings increase of $506,008 over the corresponding nine-month period in 1989 was due to reduced additions to the allowance for loan losses and other reductions in overall operating expenses. Net interest income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,757,784, which is a 2.21 percent increase over the $1,719,770 reported for the third quarter of 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $278,928,769, compared to $304,299,857 at Sept. 30, 1989, which reflects a planned restructuring of the bank's deposit and loan balances to reduce the bank's overall cost of funds. Total assets grew $5,017,732 (1.83 percent) during the third quarter from $273,911,037 at June 30, 1990. The bank's equity to assets ratio at Sept. 30, 1990, was 7.13 percent, compared to 8.69 percent at Sept. 30, 1989, and 6.48 percent at Dec.

31, 1989. The bank's capital position remained well above regulatory requirements.

Non-accrual loans, restructured loans and real estate owned decreased by $427,093 or 2.2 percent, from $19,426,745 at Sept. 30, 1989, to $18,999,647 at Sept. 30, 1990. The bank continued to strategically increase its provisions for loan losses and losses associated with real estate acquired by foreclosure with the addition of $180,000 in the third quarter of 1990. At Sept. 30, 1990 the bank's allowance for loan losses stood at $4,085,455 or 2.2 percent of the total loan portfolio, excluding mortgage-backed securities. The bank also has an allowance for losses on real estate acquired through foreclosure of $1,347,499 as of Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to an allowance of $583,937 at Sept. 30, 1989.

Patrick J. Coyne, president and chief executive officer, stated that the bank successfully implemented initial stages of its business restructuring strategy during the third quarter. The bank's management will continue to concentrate on the enhancement of the bank's basic banking services within its traditional market areas. Coyne further stated that the bank is exploring various programs to reduce operating expenses while remaining focused on providing exceptional levels of customer service. These measures are designed to improve the bank's long-term profitability and stockholder value, he noted.

Coyne also noted that Johnstown Savings Bank celebrated its 120th anniversary during the third quarter of 1990. Johnstown Savings has the distinction of being the first and oldest financial institution in Cambria County, Pa. Coyne stated that the bank's long tradition of excellence in customer service, its well-positioned branch offices and the loyalty of its established customer base were key factors in ensuring the bank's continued prosperity.

Johnstown Savings Bank is a federally chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank which conducts its business through five offices in the Greater Johnstown area and through its wholly owned subsidiary, Standard Mortgage Corporation of Georgia, located in Atlanta.

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TROY, MI (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Energy Conversion Devices, Inc. ("ECD") (OTC: ENER) announced today that it received $7.2 million from a leading Soviet energy company, which is its joint venture partner in the U.S.S.R. Earlier this year ECD and the Soviet company formed a joint venture, Sovlux, to manufacture in the U.S.S.R. ECD's proprietary photovoltaic solar products and systems and sell them worldwide except for Japan and India.

ECD will construct for the 50-50 Sovlux joint venture a proprietary fully integrated spectrum splitting cell and module assembly plant (2MW) for approximately $8.7 million, which is now fully paid. Earlier this year ECD received $2 million under this agreement.

In addition, the parties are discussing plans to construct a large- volume (100-150MW), fully automated photovoltaic plant to achieve economies of scale thereby reducing the cost of solar energy so that it can become competitive with conventional fuels such as coal, gas and oil, as well as uranium.

In September 1990, ECD and its 95-percent-owned subsidiary, Ovonic Battery Company ("OBC"), expanded its Sovlux joint venture agreement with the Soviet company, which is also a battery manufacturer. Under this expanded agreement, OBC granted Sovlux an exclusive, 3-percent royalty-bearing manufacturing license for the U.S.S.R., and non- exclusive sales rights worldwide under ECD's proprietary Ovonic metal hydride batteries. The Soviet partner is contributing its existing battery manufacturing facilities and know-how and will fund Sovlux's new battery manufacturing operation. Approximately $500,000 of the funds received today provide the initial funding for the expansion of the Sovlux joint venture into the battery field.

ECD's president, Stanford R. Ovshinsky, stated that an overall energy policy must include generation as well as storage. ECD and its Soviet partner are moving ahead in the storage battery business to produce various types of industrial and consumer batteries with particular emphasis on ECD's proprietary large batteries for electric vehicle applications.

Ovshinsky further stated that the historic Sovlux joint venture is intended to provide alternative energy sources to address the serious problems posed by the world's dependence on conventional fossil fuels, the resulting global pollution and the ever-present danger of war over these resources.

In addition to ECD's prior licensing of its photovoltaic technology in Japan, ECD has recently formed a joint venture, United Solar Systems Corp., with Canon Inc. of Japan to expand the manufacturing of solar cells in the United States, and also established a joint venture, SuryOvonics Ltd., in India.

ECD, based in Troy, is the pioneer in amorphous materials technology. The company and its subsidiaries form joint ventures, license technology and manufacture and sell products in the fields of energy, information and synthetic materials based upon technology ECD and its subsidiaries have developed in these areas. ECD's photovoltaic and battery products are environmentally safe and address such environmental problems as atmospheric pollution, protecting the ozone layer, reducing hazardous waste and the greenhouse effect.

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WALTHAM, MASS. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Researchers at GTE Laboratories have developed a semiconductor laser that operates at 24 billion cycles-per-second, the highest speed ever attained for such a device. The new laser tops the previous best performance of 22 billion cycles-per-second achieved by GTE in 1988.

Lasers of the type developed at GTE Labs are essential components in communications systems that can carry voice, data, graphics and full- motion video signals over fiber-optic networks. Because lasers generate the stream of light pulses that carry these signals, the faster the pulse rate, the more information that can be transmitted over a given fiber link.

"This advance represents a significant step toward full realization of the enormous information-carrying capacity of optical fiber," said Robert Lauer, manager of the optoelectronic devices and materials department at GTE Laboratories, based here.

Innovative Fabrication Process

The GTE laser achieved its record-setting performance after researchers made several important refinements in the way it is built.

Semiconductor lasers emit light from an "active area" at their core. By making this area smaller and by insulating it from energy leakage, GTE researchers were able to increase the intensity of light within the core, thus increasing the rate at which the light is released from it.

"It is extremely difficult to build these lasers with the right interior dimensions because they are so small -- typically less than one-ten-thousandth of a centimeter wide," said Roger Holmstrom, member of technical staff and head of the group that built the new lasers. "The advances we've made allow us to control the size and shape of their internal structures to within one-one-hundred-thousandth of a centimeter during fabrication."

The light-emitting region of the GTE laser is a composite of four elements: indium, gallium, arsenic and phosphorous. When electrons are introduced into this region, they transfer some of their energy to particles of light, which are released at a wavelength suitable for carrying signals over optical fiber.

High-Speed Services Over the Telephone Network

The new ultra-fast lasers generate lightwaves that can make accessible hundreds of channels of high-quality video, output from the world's fastest supercomputers, and data needed to produce today's most sophisticated scientific analyses.

Said GTE's Lauer, "With the help of these lasers, educational programs, medical images, symphonies, financial analyses and more can be delivered simultaneously over a single fiber."

Such information, known collectively as "broadband services," can be accessed through high-speed networks such as those GTE is currently testing in Cerritos Calif., and the Durham/Chapel Hill, N.C., area. These experimental networks use the public telephone system to provide interactive-entertainment and medical-imaging services "on demand" -- that is, by dialing-up the desired service whenever it is wanted.

GTE Laboratories is the central research and development facility for GTE Corp.

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HARTFORD, CONN. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Travelers Corporation (NYSE: TIC) announced today that it has signed a letter of intent to purchase privately held, California-based U.S. Behavioral Health (USBH), a major provider of managed psychiatric and substance-abuse services. The transaction remains subject to regulatory approvals and financial negotiation of definitive purchase documents. Financial terms were not disclosed.

"U.S. Behavorial Health has earned an excellent reputation because of its use of state-of-the-art technologies and procedures, high-caliber personnel and extensive base of knowledge and experience," said Joseph T. Brophy, president of Travelers' Managed Care and Employee Benefits Operations (MCEBO). "Travelers is committed to the managed care business, and this acquisition will strengthen further our ability to help customers control costs while providing superior quality managed care products and services for their employees."

Through its managed care networks, USBH provides a full spectrum of psychiatric and substance-abuse services, including patient assessment, diagnosis and a wide range of inpatient and outpatient treatment options.

Travelers plans to unite USBH with Travelers' PsychSystems, Inc., (PSI), a nationwide, network-based managed care program for psychiatric and substance-abuse disorders. Through USBH and PSI, which combined will serve over 4 million members this year, Travelers' customers will have access to 64 local, specialized managed care networks. The integration of USBH and PSI will significantly expand and enhance Travelers' capacity to provide superior quality, managed care programs to new and existing customers nationwide.

Following the acqusition, USBH will retain its own management, which will report to senior officers of Travelers' Managed Care and Employee Benefits Operations. "We are very pleased to become part of Travelers," said Eugene Hill, president and chief executive officer of USBH. "It is a major step toward fulfilling our vision of building the most comprehensive, highest-quality managed behavioral health company in the country."

Spending on employee health care has been increasing by 15 percent annually for the past 12 years and psychiatric and substance-abuse costs have been rising at two to three times that rate. According to A. Foster Higgins & Co. a benefits consulting firm, psychiatric and substance-abuse costs increased 47 percent in 1989 and 27 percent in 1988.

Travelers is one of the world's largest multiline financial services companies focusing on insurance, managed health care and investments.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines today vigorously denied published reports that it may file for Chapter 11 in light of the nationwide fuel crisis.

"This company has no intent to seek protection under these codes. We have streamlined our management, and like the rest of the industry, are considering other prudent business steps to assist during the fuel crisis. However, chapter 11 is not one of the means we intend to take," said a Continental spokesperson.

"Speculation that efforts to contain costs might include a major downsizing of the airline is just that...speculation," said the spokesperson.

"The company, like other carriers, continues to examine ways to streamline operations in a prudent manner in face of the unprecedented fuel crisis. We have seen jet fuel costs rise by as much as 125 percent," the spokesperson said.

The company said Continental will continue to operate a normal schedule.

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NIAGARA FALLS, NY (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Sevenson Environmental Services Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SEVN) reported record revenues and earnings for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the nine months were $47,145,213, up 25 percent from $37,590,527 in 1989. Net earnings were $5,577,667, an increase of 13 percent from $4,957,312 in 1989. Earnings per share were $.85 on 6.6 million shares outstanding. Earnings per share for the same nine-month period last year were $.83 on .6 million fewer shares.

Revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 rose 8 percent to $22,707,456 from $20,977,791 in the third quarter of 1989. Net earnings for the quarter were $3,321,309, about the same as the third quarter last year when the company earned $3,424,875. Comparable earnings per share for the third quarter just ended and the same quarter last year are $.50 and $.52, respectively, both on 6.6 million shares outstanding.

Michael A. Elia, president of Sevenson, stated, "Management is very pleased with results for the first nine months. The fourth quarter is developing very satisfactorily, encouraging us to be optimistic about results for the year as a whole."

Sevenson provides a comprehensive range of field services for the remediation of sites and facilities contaminated by hazardous materials. The company, which is headquartered in Niagara Falls, N.Y., operates in the United States and Canada. Since entering the site remediation business in 1979, the company has performed over 250 projects, including projects at the Love Canal and at other Superfund sites.

SEVENSON ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Earnings
Three and Nine Months Periods Ended Sept. 30
(In thousands, except per share data)

Period	Three Months		Nine Months	
Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$22,707	$20,978	$47,145	$37,590
Cost of revenues	16,590	14,724	36,260	27,499
Gross profit	6,117	6,254	10,885	10,091
Selling, general and admin. expense	1,317	1,289	3,982	2,991
Earnings from operations	4,800	4,965	6,903	7,100
Interest income - net of interest expense	436	501	1,288	800
Gain on sale of property and equipment	3	--	337	--
Earnings bef. inc. taxes	5,239	5,466	8,528	7,900
Income taxes	1,918	2,041	2,950	2,943
Net earnings	3,321	3,425	5,578	4,957

Weighted average number of shares outstanding	6,600	6,600	6,600	5,973
Earnings per share	$.50	$.52	$.85	$.83

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OYSTER BAY, NY (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Continuing to build on its strength as an international entertainment company, Acclaim Entertainment, Inc. (NASDAQ: AKLM) announced today it is shipping three of its highly successful video games for the Nintendo Entertainment System(R) to the European market for this holiday season. Established hits in the United States, Acclaim's expanded European lineup includes "Double Dragon II: The Revenge(TM)," "Total Recall(TM)" and "BIGFOOT(R)," which will be supported by an extensive marketing program that ranges from major print advertising throughout the EEC to a TV ad campaign featuring "Double Dragon II: The Revenge," scheduled to kick off in France.

"As in the United States, sales in the European market continue to be strong and we expect them to increase significantly this holiday season," says Robert Holmes, president of Acclaim. "The combination of titles that are already proven Acclaim hits in the United States, powerful marketing support, and the growth of Nintendo sales throughout Europe, provides a winning international marketing strategy."

Acclaim Entertainment, Inc. is a leading publisher, marketer and distributor of home entertainment products under the Acclaim and LJN labels. These include Nintendo Entertainment System software, Nintendo Game Boy compact video system software, wireless remote controllers and hand-held electronic video games.

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#90297p8824 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Wetterau Incorporated (NASDAQ: WETT) achieved record sales and earnings for the second quarter and first six months of the company's 1991 fiscal year, it was announced today by Ted C. Wetterau, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer.

For the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, the company reported net sales of $1.4 billion, an increase of 7.0 percent compared with sales of $1.3 billion for the same period the prior year. Net earnings for the quarter reached $11.8 million, an increase of 10.0 percent compared with earnings of $10.7 million

the previous year. Earnings per common share were 51 cents, an increase of 13.3 percent compared with earnings per share of 45 cents the year before.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, the company reported net sales of $2.8 billion, an increase of 6.8 percent compared with sales of $2.6 billion for the same period the previous year. Net earnings for the six months reached $24.2 million, an increase of 11.1 percent compared with earnings of $21.8 million the prior year. Earnings per common share for the six months were $1.05, an increase of 14.1 percent compared with earnings per share of 92 cents the year before.

Commenting on the company's financial results through the first half of the fiscal year, Wetterau stated, "We are particularly pleased with the company's progress to mid year - sales for the second quarter and first six months eclipsed any previous quarter or six-month period in company history; net earnings and earnings per share advanced at double-digit percentages for both the quarter and six months. The return on shareholders' equity, 23.3 percent for six months, continues to run well ahead of the prior year."

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IRVINE, CALIF. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Allergan Inc. (NYSE: AGN), one of the world's leading eye care companies, announced that Howard E. (Ted) Greene, Jr. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Amylin Corporation, has been appointed to its board of directors. Greene's appointment, effective immediately, will increase the number of Allergan directors to twelve.

Commenting on Greene's appointment, Gavin S. Herbert, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Allergan, said, "We are extremely pleased to have Ted join our board. His experience in health care and technology management will enhance Allergan's research and development activities."

Greene is a co-founder of Amylin Corporation, a developmental stage pharmaceutical company pursuing research in the treatment of diabetes. He has had extensive experience in helping finance and establish medical startup companies through his previous experience with Biovest Partners, a seed venture capital firm Greene founded which funded five other firms in addition to Amylin.

Prior to his work with Biovest, Greene served as Chief Executive Officer of Hybritech Incorporated, the first company to commercialize monoclonal antibody technology. Greene was co-inventor of a critical patent involved in monoclonal antibody research, and was also instrumental in negotiating the successful sale of Hybritech to Eli Lilly & Co. in March of 1986. Greene

also has experience in international marketing and strategic planning from his work at the Hyland Diagnostics Division of Baxter Healthcare Corporation.

"I am honored to have this opportunity to serve on the Allergan board. There are many opportunities in the future of health care, both inside and outside of the United States, and I am glad to contribute my experience to help capitalize on these future challenges," Greene remarked.

Green received his B.A. in physics from Amherst College, and has a Masters in Business Administration from Harvard University. He is currently a member of the Board of Trustees of Scripps Clinical and Research Foundation in La Jolla, Calif.

Allergan, Inc. is comprised of six business units: Allergan Pharmaceuticals -- prescription and nonprescription eye care products; Allergan Optical -- contact lenses and lens care products; Allergan Medical Optics -- surgical ophthalmic products and services; Allergan Humphrey -- microprocessor-based ophthalmic diagnostic instruments; Herbert Laboratories -- prescription and nonprescription skin care medications; and Allergan International, which markets Allergan products in more than 90 countries around the world.

Allergan employs over 6,500 people worldwide, and is headquartered in Irvine.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - NaTec Resources, Inc. (NASDAQ: NATC), today reported operating results for the third quarter of this year. For the three months ended Sept. 30, NaTec had a loss of $1.4 million on revenues of $464,000 compared with a loss of $39,000 on revenues of $579,000 for the same period last year.

For the first nine months of this year, NaTec had a loss of $3.7 million on revenues of $2.0 million compared with a year-earlier loss of $353,000 on revenues of $1.8 million.

Socrates S. Christopher, chairman and CEO, said the results are consistent with the company's 1990 business plan. He noted that the anticipated costs are associated with research and development and an aggressive marketing program aimed at establishing NaTec as the market leader in sodium injection technology.

Operating highlights of the quarter, he added, were: -- Groundbreaking ceremonies for NaTec's nahcolite mining and processing facility, the world's

first, located northwest of Rifle, Colo. Commercial operation is expected during the first quarter of 1991, with an initial capacity of 125,000 tons of the naturally occurring sodium bicarbonate per year.

-- The acquisition of AER(asterisk)X, formerly a division of RMT, Inc. AER-X is the nation's only company specializing in emission credit trading and also provides services in air permitting, air toxic issues, rule development and pollution control technology assessments. The emission credit trading market is expected to be in excess of $250 million by 1995. AER-X, based in Washington, D.C., operates as a wholly-owned subsidiary of NaTec Resources, Inc.

-- Approval in principle by NaTec Resources and CRSS Inc. (NYSE: CRX) for the sale and purchase, respectively, of up to $10.0 million of NaTec Class A redeemable convertible preferred stock. Proceeds from the proposed sale would be used by NaTec to fund continuing operations and other general corporate purposes, and to complete its nahcolite mining and processing facility.

NaTec Resources is committed to the control of pollutants commonly associated with acid rain. The company provides consulting engineering, injection system installation, operations and maintenance services, and processed sorbent supply. Primary markets are utility, industrial power generation, pulp and paper, refining and municipal solid waste.

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MIAMI (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Knight-Ridder, Inc. (NYSE: KRI), earned $36,588,000 in the third quarter of 1990, a gain of 7.7 percent from continuing operations over the $33,980,000 earned in the same period last year. Earnings per share from continuing operations rose 12.3 percent to $.73 from $.65 a share earned last year.

Operating income grew 9.5 percent to $75,068,000 from $68,582,000 in last year's third quarter. These results were favorably impacted by one Sunday more in the quarter than in the third quarter of 1989. Total revenue was up 5.5 percent to $570,548,000. Total costs rose 4.9 percent.

Through the first three quarters, total operating revenue was up 3.4 percent to $1,717,202,000 from $1,660,417,000 and operating income rose 1.6 percent to $220,912,000 from $217,372,000 in the first three quarters of 1989.

Excluding the gain from the sale of the Pasadena Star News in 1989, net income from continuing operations for the first three quarters of 1990 was up 12.8 percent to $107,046,000 from $94,865,000.

Knight-Ridder's Newspaper Division reported an operating profit of $82,369,000 vs. $78,428,000 a year ago, a gain of 5.0 percent. The division's revenue rose 4.1 percent to $493,634,000 from $474,088,000 a year ago.

The Business Information Services Division had an operating profit of $3,931,000 vs. $2,499,000 a year ago, a gain of 57.3 percent. Revenue was $76,914,000 vs. $66,885,000 in 1989, a gain of 15.0 percent.

"Newspaper Division results were aided by one more Sunday in the quarter than we had last year," said Robert F. Singleton, Knight-Ridder's chief financial officer.

"But in general, newspaper operations were softer than we had expected. We experienced noticeable shortfalls in retail and classified revenue, particularly in Philadelphia and some of our other larger markets.

"Nevertheless, we managed to show reasonably good bottom line results with additional help from softer newsprint prices, improved bottom line performance in Detroit, an increase in capitalized interest associated with the new plant we are building in Philadelphia, fewer shares outstanding and continuing good growth from our Business Information Services Division."

Knight-Ridder is an international information and communications company engaged in newspaper publishing, business news and information services, electronic retrieval services, news graphics and photo services, cable television and newsprint manufacturing. Around the world, news, advertising and information from Knight-Ridder reach more than 100 million people in 129 countries.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - MANO Holdings Corporation announced today that its subsidiary MANO Acquisition Corporation has commenced an offer to purchase all outstanding shares of the common stock, no par value per share, of The B. Manischewitz Company at $800 net per share in cash. MANO Acquisition Corporation stated that its offer is being made pursuant to a previously announced acquisitions agreement with Manischewitz and that the Manischewitz board of directors has recommended that its stockholders accept the offer. MANO Acquisition Corporation said that, under the terms of the acquisition agreement, following completion of the offer MANO Acquisition Corporation will merge into Manischewitz pursuant to which all remaining Manischewitz shares will be converted into $800 in cash. Shearson Lehman Brothers, Inc., Manischewitz's financial advisor, has rendered its opinion that the $800 consideration is fair to Manischewitz stockholders from a

financial point of view.

MANO Acquisition Corporation stated that its offer will expire at midnight, New York City time, on Wednesday, Nov. 21, 1990, unless extended, and that the offer is conditioned upon, among other things, a minimum of 35,380 shares being tendered prior to the expiration of the offer.

MANO Acquisition Corporation announced that it has appointed First Fidelity Bank, N.A., New Jersey, as depositary and D.F. King & Co., Inc., as information agent for the offer.

MANO Acquisition Corporation stated that the offer is being made only by its offer to purchase dated Oct. 24, 1990 and related letter of Transmittal, copies of which may be obtained from D.F. King & Co., Inc.

MANO Holdings Corporation and MANO Acquisition Corporation were formed by Kohlberg & Co., a private merchant banking firm.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Meritor Savings Bank (NASDAQ: MTOR) today reported a third quarter net loss of $22.6 million, or 64 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $12.8 million, or 36 cents per share during the same quarter last year.

"Although we posted a loss for the third quarter, much has been accomplished over the past few months. We completed the capital enhancement phase of our restructuring program during the quarter and as a result, the primary capital ratio climbed to 9.82 percent at the end of the quarter," said Chairman Roger S. Hillas. "In addition, the balance sheet was strengthened through the recapitalization of the Florida subsidiary at the beginning of the quarter which helped to increase shareholders' equity to $211 million, an improvement of over $75 million from the end of the second quarter," he added.

Net interest income was $17.6 million for the quarter, compared to $32.5 million in the third quarter of 1989. The strategic downsizing of the bank to improve regulatory capital ratios has negatively impacted net interest income through the decline of $6.5 billion in average interest-earning assets. The average net yield on interest-earning assets was 1.17 percent for the quarter, compared to 1.07 percent in the third quarter of 1989.

The provision for possible credit losses was $13.5 million for the quarter compared to $8.3 million in the third quarter of 1989. A higher level of nonperforming assets, particularly real estate related loans, prompted the

increase in the provision. Total nonperforming assets increased from $323.3 million at year-end 1989 to $400.4 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

"The higher level of nonperforming assets reflects the continued deterioration of the economy," said Hillas. "Obviously, this has hampered our goal of achieving operating profitability within the next year."

Noninterest expense declined to $34.0 million. For the year-ago period, noninterest expense stood at $45.5 million. An $8.4 million gain from the settlement of a portion of the company's pension plan obligations was recorded as a reduction of salaries and benefits expense in the third quarter of 1989.

Total assets at the end of the third quarter were $6.6 billion, compared to $12.6 billion at the end of 1989. Meritor's shareholders' equity totaled $211 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

Meritor Savings Bank is a financial services institution. Its flagship operation, the Philadelphia Savings Fund Society, provides financial services to nearly 200,000 households in the Philadelphia area through its network of 29 branches.

MERITOR SAVINGS BANK AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share amounts)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest income: Loans:				
Mortgage loans	$72,287	$123,983	$274,743	$380,029
Mortgage-backed securities	29,811	98,488	182,013	356,185
Other loans	26,978	47,759	106,696	182,247
Investment securities	9,070	11,121	27,140	35,839
Money market investments	5,470	18,755	27,196	48,017
Total interest income	143,616	300,106	617,788	1,002,317
Interest expense:				
Savings deposits	17,329	55,391	111,211	168,917
Savings certificates	67,713	142,552	307,589	419,544
Negotiated rate certificates and other time deposits	8,835	13,516	27,291	58,432
Repurchase agreements and short-term borrowings	6,968	24,330	17,823	116,609
Long-term borrowings and capital notes	24,800	27,859	76,202	92,328
Other	333	3,971	6,779	17,577
Total interest expense	125,978	267,619	546,895	873,407
Net interest income	17,638	32,487	70,893	128,910
Provision for possible credit losses	13,466	8,258	69,225	27,874
Amortization of value ascribed				

to acquired intangibles	2,153	6,139	11,245	18,464
Net int. inc. (exp.) after prov. for losses & amortization	2,019	18,090	(9,577)	82,572
Noninterest income: Gains (losses) from sales of investments and loans, net	(16)	1,232	(5,526)	(13,575)
Other	9,442	12,625	31,040	44,105
Total nonint. inc.	9,426	13,857	25,514	30,530
Gains (losses) on divestiture of operations and provision for restructuring, net	--	--	(74,507)	27,757
Noninterest expense:				
Salaries and benefits	12,839	11,453	48,788	63,985
Occupancy expense, net	4,010	6,426	16,447	21,618
Equipment expense	1,515	1,939	5,234	11,261
Federal deposit insurance	1,766	2,772	7,895	8,383
Other	13,856	22,929	50,876	60,725
Total noninterest expense	33,986	45,519	129,240	165,972
Loss before income taxes and extraordinary item	(22,541)	(13,572)	(187,810)	(25,113)
Income tax expense	65	496	729	2,217
Loss before extraordinary item	(22,606)	(14,068)	(188,539)	(27,330)
Extraordinary item: Net gains (losses) on early extinguishment of debt	--	1,236	(27)	5,510
Net loss	(22,606)	(12,832)	(188,566)	(21,820)
Earnings (loss) per share: Loss before extraordinary item	($.64)	($.40)	($5.38)	($.78)
Extraordinary item: Net gains (losses) on early extinguishment of debt	--	.04	--	.16
Net loss	($.64)	($.36)	($5.38)	($.62)

MERITOR SAVINGS BANK AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Balance Sheets

(In thousands)

	Sept.30, 1990 (Unaudited)	Dec. 31, 1989
Assets:		
Cash and due from banks	$71,032	$178,563
Money market investments	148,229	513,574
Investment securities, net	519,755	582,882
Loans:		
Mortgages	2,932,551	4,637,361
Mortgage-backed securities	1,430,531	4,225,557
Other loans	1,027,882	1,729,870
Total	5,390,964	10,592,788
Less: allowance for poss. loan losses	(119,306)	(103,027)
Net loans	5,271,658	10,489,761
Accrued interest receivable	66,928	112,484
Premises and equipment	113,849	131,165
Servicing contracts purchased	19,505	23,003
Property acquired through loan		

foreclosure actions	87,763	92,695
Other assets	173,456	227,869
Value ascribed to acquired intangibles	96,668	287,811
Total assets	6,568,843	12,639,807
Liabilities: Deposits:		
Savings deposits	1,426,341	3,714,137
Savings certificates	3,002,842	6,316,374
Negotiated rate certificates and other time deposits	414,870	472,642
Total	4,844,053	10,503,153
Repurchase agreements and short-term borrowings	317,183	339,929
Long-term borrowings	834,846	866,867
Capital notes	137,099	155,545
Accrued interest payable	41,235	83,874
Other liabilities	183,471	196,639
Minority interest	--	190,106
Shareholders' equity: Preferred stock -- $1 par value; authorized -- 10 million shares; issued and outstanding -- none	--	--
Common stock -- $1 par value; authorized -- 100 million shares; issued and outst. -- 35,064,666 shares	35,065	35,065
Additional paid-in capital	333,962	333,962
Surplus	50,000	50,000
Accumulated deficit	(208,071)	(115,333)
Total shareholders' equity	210,956	303,694
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	6,568,843	12,639,807

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MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - AirTran Corporation (NASDAQ: ATCC), parent company of Mesaba Aviation, Inc., today reported earnings of $2,745,000 or 71 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to net income of $1,612,000 or 39 cents per share for the same quarter last year.

Earnings for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $3,185,000 or 81 cents per share, compared to $2,326,000 or 58 cents per share for the same period one year ago.

Operating revenues totaled $24,869,000 for the quarter, an increase of 29 percent from 19,334,000 in the second quarter of last year. For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, operating revenues increased 33 percent to

$45,310,000 compared to 34,105,000 in the first half of the prior year.

Revenue passenger miles were up 15 percent to 57.9 million for the current quarter compared to 50.4 million during last year's second quarter. Available seat miles for the quarter rose 17 percent to 102.6 million from 87.8 million flown last year. The Twin Cities-based carrier's second quarter system-wide load factor was 56.4 percent, compared to 57.5 percent last year.

Robert D. Swenson, president and chairman of AirTran, said he was pleased with the results of the second quarter, a quarter which is historically the company's strongest. He said, "In addition to record traffic levels, the company's earnings performance this quarter reflects measures initiated earlier in the year to streamline our workforce, strengthen our passenger yield and increase load factor by shifting capacity from Milwaukee to our Detroit system. These improvements are enabling Mesaba to post the type of results that we initially forecast for our major Detroit expansion."

Mesaba operates its services as Northwest Airlink under a marketing agreement with Northwest Airlines at Minneapolis/St. Paul and Detroit. The regional carrier currently provides scheduled airline service to 37 cities in 10 states.

AirTran's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ATCC.

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ANNANDALE, VA. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Ameribanc Investors Group (NASDAQ-NMS: AINVS) today reported net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $4.4 million as a result of the pretax addition of $7.4 million to its loan loss reserves.

This compares to net income of $0.6 million for the year earlier quarter. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Ameribanc had a net loss of $7.3 million compared to earnings of $5.8 million for the same period of 1989. The 1989 results included $7.3 million of after-tax gains from the sale of Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation preferred stock.

John J. Houseman noted that the overriding factor in the decision to increase loss reserves was the continued deterioration of the mid-Atlantic region real estate market and the uncertainties facing local and national markets. General economic activity levels, the disruptions caused by the Persian Gulf crisis, and the lack of a resolution of the budget deficit by Congress all influenced management to conclude that the real estate markets were not capable of a meaningful recovery in the near term and, therefore, additional reserves were necessary to provide for the impact of these factors. Houseman

stated that management and the board of trustees believe this action is a prudent and necessary step to assure the continued financial strength of Ameribanc. These additional reserves bring the ratio of general reserves to non-earning loans to 19 percent and to total loans, excluding residential one-to-four family real estate loans and mortgage-backed securities, to 3.0 percent.

Management has continued its aggressive expense control program, reducing compensation expense by $259,000 for the third quarter of 1990 as compared to the same quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, total expenses decreased by $620,000 from the same period of 1989. Net interest revenue before the provision for possible losses increased by $357,000 for the nine month period; and service fee income increased by $256,000 for the third quarter and $587,000 year to date. Houseman stated that the efforts to produce higher core income have been successful, excluding the impact of the lost earnings resulting from the increase in non-earning loans. Further efficiencies are expected from combining the operations of six branches into three modern new facilities over the next five months.

Ameribanc Investors Group is the holding company for Ameribanc Savings Bank, a $1.3 billion bank headquartered in Annandale operating 36 branch offices in Northern Virginia, Hampton Roads and Charlottesville, Va.

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ANNANDALE, VA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Ameribanc Investors Group (NASDAQ-NMS: AINVS) today reported net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $4.4 million as a result of the pretax addition of $7.4 million to its loan loss reserves.

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The bank had sufficient capital to provide for the addition of the reserves with no significant adverse impact on its compliance with regulatory capital ratios. The bank exceeded all of the current capital requirements as of Sept. 30, 1990, as shown below.

	Requirement	Actual
Tangible	1.50 pct.	2.82 pct.
Core	3.00 pct.	4.25 pct.
Risk-based	6.40 pct.	6.64 pct.

The risk-based capital requirement will increase to 7.20 percent as of Dec. 31 1990. Based on the current business plan, management anticipates that this higher level will be met, largely as a result of sales of mortgage loans, the disposition of certain parcels of foreclosed property, and the sale of other assets. Tentative agreements have been reached to sell $90 million of mortgage loans and approximately $12 million of foreclosed properties. These actions are consistent with the bank's business plan to restructure the balance sheet and reduce in size, thus increasing its margin of compliance with regulatory capital requirements. However, the bank's ability to reach these future levels may be hampered by continued deterioration of the real estate market.

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AMERIBANC INVESTORS GROUP

Consolidated Statement of Financial Condition

Assets:	Sep. 30, 1990 (unaudited)	Dec. 31, 1989
Cash on hand and in banks	$ 11,901,797	$ 19,345,516
Investments	46,964,744	50,191,711
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	9,287,500	8,320,000
Loans receivable, net	987,769,471	966,766,666
Mortgage backed securities, net	125,964,738	163,627,929
Investments in and advances to real est. joint ventures	12,634,396	12,454,088
Operating real estate properties, net	10,035,252	12,318,553
Property for and under development	9,924,564	9,569,064
Premises and equipment, net	18,656,454	20,216,928
Property acquired through foreclosure, net	34,198,299	28,284,728
Accrued interest receivable	11,078,850	10,396,450
Other assets	20,073,264	23,661,085
Excess of purchase price over fair value of net assets acquired, net of accumulated amortization	19,184,082	20,422,767
Total assets	$1,317,673,411	$1,345,575,485
Liabilities:		
Deposits	$989,564,444	$974,423,812
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta	142,900,000	126,400,000
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase and other borrowings	102,135,360	150,992,702
Mortgage bonds payable on operating property	5,000,000	5,000,000
Convertible debentures	0	387,000
Borrowers escrow deposits	4,114,443	3,128,363
Accrued interest payable	2,573,245	1,366,428
Other liabilities	8,154,010	13,330,858
Total liabilities	1,254,441,502	1,275,029,163
Shareholders' Investment: 6 pct. cumulative convertible redeemable preferred stock, $21 par value; unlimited shares authorized, 18,808 shares outstanding	365,243	365,243
Shares of beneficial interest, $1 par value; unlimited shares authorized, 6,341,232 and 6,157,137 shares outstanding	6,341,232	6,157,137
Additional paid-in surplus	42,526,214	41,513,691
Retained earnings	13,999,220	22,510,251
Total shareholders' investment	63,231,909	70,546,322

Total liabilities and shareholders' investment	$1,317,673,411	$1,345,575,485

AMERIBANC INVESTORS GROUP

Consolidated Statements of Operations

(Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Interest Revenue:		
Real estate mortgage loans and mbs	$23,647,146	$23,985,000
Real estate construction loans	5,003,094	5,748,292
Other loans	878,997	917,259
Investments	1,450,647	1,508,899
Total interest revenue	30,979,884	32,159,450
Interest Expense:		
Deposits	19,191,537	18,906,964
Borrowings	6,158,414	6,863,344
Total interest expense	25,349,951	25,770,308
Net interest revenue	5,629,933	6,389,142
Provision for losses on loans	7,426,683	190,894
Net interest revenue, after provision	(1,796,750)	6,198,248
Other Revenue:		
Loan servicing fees	939,704	978,367
Service charges and other loan fees	804,957	548,858
Income from real estate joint ventures	103,976	116,487
Income from operating real estate prop	51,620	260,871
Gain on sale of loan servicing, net	186,043	--
Gain on sale of investments, net	--	--
Gain (loss) on sale of loans, net	1,286,193	72,633
Gains on sales of real estate, net	199,800	552,861
Other	166,432	392,028
Total other revenue	3,738,725	2,922,105
Other Expenses:		
Compensation and benefits	3,455,568	3,714,566
Occupancy	749,351	740,821
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	904,862	894,313
Deposit insurance premiums	509,436	477,781
Professional fees	145,117	56,179
Foreclosure expense	554,624	261,838
Amortization of excess of purchase price over fair value of net assets acquired	412,895	412,896
Other	1,343,790	1,433,533
Total other expense	8,075,643	7,991,927
Income before provision for taxes	(6,133,668)	1,128,426
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(1,720,861)	496,630
Net income (loss)	(4,412,807)	631,796
Primary earnings (loss) per share	$(0.69)	$0.10

	Year to Date Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989

Interest Revenue:		
Real estate mortgage loans and mbs	$70,199,026	$68,080,317
Real estate construction loans	16,761,466	15,842,137
Other loans	2,578,228	2,659,147
Investments	4,214,212	4,836,534
Total interest revenue	93,752,932	91,418,135
Interest Expense:		
Deposits	57,381,477	54,096,899
Borrowings	17,843,906	19,151,158
Total interest expense	75,225,383	73,248,057
Net interest revenue	18,527,549	18,170,078
Provision for losses on loans	9,864,329	830,768
Net interest revenue, after provision	8,663,220	17,339,310
Other Revenue:		
Loan servicing fees	2,886,147	2,843,040
Service charges and other loan fees	2,110,128	1,523,349
Income from real estate joint ventures	292,367	1,027,013
Income from operating real estate prop	385,039	783,820
Gain on sale of loan servicing, net	1,106,407	--
Gain on sale of investments, net	--	13,098,562
Gain (loss) on sale of loans, net	1,131,889	47,553
Gains on sales of real estate, net	269,241	1,176,813
Other	416,447	955,378
Total other revenue	8,597,665	21,455,528
Other Expenses:		
Compensation and benefits	10,650,358	11,004,035
Occupancy	2,254,767	2,150,537
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	2,706,449	2,645,136
Deposit insurance premiums	1,499,680	1,418,962
Professional fees	613,083	2,310,703
Foreclosure expense	3,155,042	2,144,516
Amortization of excess of purchase price over fair value of net assets acquired	1,238,685	1,238,687
Other	5,495,959	5,521,301
Total other expense	27,814,023	28,433,877
Income before provision for taxes	(10,553,138)	10,360,961
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(3,260,523)	4,557,763
Net income (loss)	(7,292,615)	5,803,198
Primary earnings (loss) per share	$(1.14)	$0.89

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - IRT Corp. (AMEX: IX) today announced revenues of $5,139,000 and earnings from operations of $245,000 for the second

quarter of its 1991 fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990. After preferred dividend and other expense, net income was $158,000, or three cents per share. For the comparable period in the prior fiscal year, IRT reported revenues of $4,743,000, earnings from operations of $252,000, a loss from now discontinued operations of $29,000, and $780,000 of other income, relating primarily to settlement of a patent-infringement suit, for total earnings of $1,003,000, or 18 cents per share.

For the first six months of its current fiscal year, the company reported revenues of $10,355,000 and earnings from operations of $388,000. After preferred dividend and other expense, net income was $280,000 or five cents per share. During the first half of the previous fiscal year, the company had revenues of $9,794,000, earnings from continuing operations of $679,000, a loss from now discontinued operations of $69,000 and $830,000 of other income, for total earnings of $1,440,000, or 27 cents per share. The company said that operating expenses were higher than those of the previous year because of increased expenditures relating to expanded sales and marketing efforts and product research and development.

The financial results for fiscal 1990 have been restated to reflect the disposal of discontinued operations.

IRT's contract backlog grew by 54 percent during the second quarter to $3,769,000, from $2,453,000, at the end of the first quarter. Following the close of the quarter, the company was awarded a quantity purchase agreement by Delco Electronics, a subsidiary of GM Hughes Electronics, valued at more than $5 million for at least 13 electronics inspection units to be delivered over the next 15 months.

IRT Corp. is a major supplier of industrial real-time X-ray systems, with more than 500 systems installed, and is the technology leader in automated X-ray inspection systems with computerized defect recognition capability. The company develops and manufactures inspection and process monitoring systems, including integrated systems for electronics, automotive, aerospace and defense applications. IRT also operates a commercial radiation processing facility that provides high-energy electron-beam processing for a number of commercial applications. Company headquarters are in San Diego.

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SCARBOROUGH, ME (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Hannaford Bros. Co. (NYSE: HRD), northern New England's largest food retailer, today announced increased sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990.

For the third quarter, Hannaford achieved net sales and other revenues of $441,437,150, an increase of 11.9 percent over the $394,367,418 reported for the same period last year. Consolidated net earnings for the quarter amounted to $11,503,790, as compared to $10,278,431 for the same quarter in 1989, an increase of 11.9 percent. Consolidated net earnings per common share for the third quarter this year were 58 cents, as compared to 52 cents last year.

During the first nine months of 1990, net sales and other revenues increased by 12.4 percent from $1,115,518,842 in 1989, to $1,253,708,468 this year. Consolidated net earnings for the first three quarters were $33,505,444. This represents an increase 13.3 percent over last year's nine month earnings of $29,568,873, before the cumulative effect of a change in inventory accounting. Consolidated net earnings per common share were $1.69 this year as compared to $1.51 last year before the effect of the accounting change.

This year's net earnings represented an increase of 6.6 percent from net earnings of $31,442,873 in the first nine months last year. Last year's nine-month net earnings reflected $1,874,000 (net of income taxes of $1,239,000) for the cumulative effect of an inventory accounting change for periods prior to 1989.

Consolidated net earnings per share were $1.69 for the first three quarters this year as compared to $1.61 last year after reflecting 10 cents per share for the inventory accounting change.

James L. Moody, Jr., chairman and chief executive office, said, "Our third quarter results were very good considering the sluggish economic picture in Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts. General economic uncertainty, the mid-East crisis and escalating oil and gasoline prices are contributing to a more cautious buying attitude on the part of consumers.

"We are encouraged that our same store sales continue to increase faster than the inflation rate, indicating continued real growth. Earnings continue to be good despite the economic slowdown and increased expenses associated with the opening of new stores.

Our expansion plans for the remainder of 1990 and for 1991 are well underway. We are looking forward to a good holiday season and expect 1990 to be another record year in both sales and earnings."

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HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Texas Petroleum Holdings, Inc. today reported $9 million in net income, resulting in a loss of three cents per

common share, for the third quarter of 1990, compared to $21 million, or 10 cents per share, of net income for the same period a year ago.

The decrease was attributed primarily to a higher effective tax rate, due to increased production in the U.K. North Sea and the favorable resolution of certain tax issues in the prior year, and lower U.S. natural gas prices. The company's results for the third quarter of 1990 also were affected by higher operating expenses for safety and maintenance work in the North Sea, which required a shutdown of production for eight days, and higher volume-related expenses in Indonesia. These items more than offset increased North Sea oil and Indonesian liquefied natural gas (LNG) volumes and improved worldwide crude oil prices.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company had $56 million, or 24 cents per share, in net income, compared to $156 million, or $1.44 per share, in 1989's corresponding period. The company's performance in 1989's first nine months benefited from the business interruption insurance settlement concerning the Piper incident in the North Sea and its related impact on the effective tax rate. As a result of the settlement, Union Texas recorded $58.6 million of net income in the second quarter of 1989 for payments to be received through 1990 in addition to business interruption insurance proceeds that had been accrued monthly since the incident in July 1988. The independent oil and gas producer's results for the first nine months of 1990 also were affected by lower prices for ethylene and U.S. natural gas, partially offset by higher North Sea oil volumes, improved Indonesian LNG volumes and prices, and increased U.S. oil prices and natural gas volumes.

Revenues for 1990's third quarter totaled $324 million, up from $232 million a year ago, reflecting higher oil sales in the North Sea and increased Indonesian LNG prices and volumes. For the first nine months of 1990, revenues were $897 million, down slightly from $906 million for the same period in 1989. The decline in revenues for the first nine months of 1990 was attributed to the recognition of $155 million of revenues under the business interruption insurance settlement in 1989, which was substantially offset by increased operating revenues in the first nine months of 1990.

One of the nation's largest independent producers, Houston-based Union Texas Petroleum Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: UTH) explores for and produces oil and gas in the U.S. and overseas and has petrochemicals and natural gas processing interests.

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NEWTON, IA (OCT. 24) - A major reorganization has been announced by Daniel J. Krumm, chairman and CEO of Maytag Corporation (NYSE: MYG), in an effort to

improve efficiencies and profitability at its Hoover manufacturing operations in the United Kingdom.

Speaking before employees at Hoover production facilities in Wales, Scotland, and England, Krumm announced the installation of a special task force to facilitate a plan for the "rebirth, rejuvenation, stability and a return to profitability" of Hoover UK operations. Krumm stated that the main goal of the task force will be to facilitate organizational improvements and implement production efficiencies.

"While economic conditions in the United Kingdom have had a decidedly negative impact on Hoover UK, Maytag Corporation does not intend to allow the decline of this historically strong company, and the great name of Hoover in the United Kingdom," he stated.

"We are committed to Hoover UK, its employees, and our plant communities for the long term. It's time for positive creative action and we are going to help Hoover UK become everything it can possibly be."

The special task force will be headed by William R. Foust, senior vice president of human resources for Maytag Corporation, who will succeed Anthony V. Williamson as managing director of Hoover UK. Williamson, who has more than 30 years with the Hoover organization, has announced his intent to retire although he will continue to serve as director and represent Hoover with various industry associations.

In addition, a technical team to consult with Hoover management has been established to be led by Edward O. McCartney, director of manufacturing planning for Maytag Corporation. Denis Jessopp, currently technical director for Hoover UK, will no longer continue in that capacity, but will function as a company director and a technical advisor.

Joining the technical team will be Ralph Gause, who retired last year as director of production for Jenn-Air Company. Joining Maytag Company in 1949, Gause was superintendent of Maytag's automatic and dishwasher line assembly department before being named director of production for Jenn-Air in 1984.

In his new responsibility, Foust will spend full time in South Wales but will return to Maytag's Newton headquarters upon completion of his special assignment.

A native of Alabama, he held several positions with Magic Chef Company in Cleveland, Tenn., including manager of labor relations, director of human resources and vice president of human resources before joining Maytag Corporation in 1987 as vice president of human resources. He was named to his current position as senior vice president of human resources in 1989.

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GOTEBORG, SWEDEN (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - SKF (NASDAQ: SKFRY), the world's largest manufacturer of bearings today reported interim results for the nine months period ended Sept. 30, 1990. SKF Group income after financial income and expense for the nine months of 1990 amounted to Swedish kronor (SEK) 1.778 billion, compared with SEK 1.786 billion in the corresponding period a year earlier.

Sales increased 14 percent to SEK 21.077 billion, from SEK 18.465 billion for the first nine months of 1989. SEK 1.211 billion of the sales increase of SEK 2.612 billion was attributable to Chicago Rawhide.

Return on capital employed for the most recent 12-month period was 17.9 percent, compared with 19.2 percent for the period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The tense situation in the Middle East, which has resulted in sharply increased oil prices and related uncertainty, has further dampened industrial production. Major customers have reduced their production, which has had an adverse effect on demand for rolling bearings, tools and component systems. The decline in general business conditions, which applied to most markets, became increasingly noticeable during the period.

The sharp decline during the Spring in the Brazilian market caused a decrease in income for SKF of about SEK 100 million for the first nine months of 1990. A slight recovery can now be seen.

Bearings Sales of rolling bearings during the first nine months increased 8 percent to SEK 16.823 billion (SEK 15.571 billion for the similar period in 1989). Income, after financial income and expense rose to SEK 1.495 billion (SEK 1.444 billion).

Demand for rolling bearings, which account for approximately 75 percent of group sales, declined during the third quarter. The decline affected both consumer and investment goods. Measures to adjust manufacturing capacity to demand were initiated during the period.

Dymac, an American high-technology company that manufactures and markets vibration measurement equipment, was acquired during the third quarter. The company has annual sales of approximately SEK 60 million, with 100 employees.

Tools SKF Tools increased its sales by 11 percent during the period to SEK 1.016 billion (SEK 915 million). Income after financial income and expense amounted to SEK 69 million (SEK 94 million). The development primarily reflects the situation in Brazil, which accounts for almost the entire decline.

Since the German cartel authorities have now given their approval, the merger between SKF Tools and Gunther & Co. will take place shortly.

Component Systems Sales by SKF Component Systems rose 17 percent to SEK 2.817 billion during the period (SEK 2.399 billion). Income after financial income and expense amount to SEK 245 million (SEK 248 million).

With the exception of aircraft components operations, whose trends remained favorable, the weaker demand during the third quarter also had an adverse impact on SKF Component Systems.

Earnings SKF Group operating income, after depreciation according to plan, amounted to SEK 1.912 billion (SEK 1.895 billion). Net financial expense amounted to SEK -134 million (SEK -109 million). Income per share, after taxes but before extraordinary items, was SEK 8.75 (SEK 10.00). Income per share after extraordinary items amounted to SEK 9.80 (SEK 11.65).

Capital expenditures in plant and equipment during the period amounted to SEK 937 million (SEK 805 million). At the end of September, inventories accounted for 34 percent of sales for the year (33 percent). The average number of employees at work at the end of the nine months was 49,775 (46,718), which includes 2,906 from Chicago Rawhide.

Forecast The weakened demand means that SKF will reduce production with ensuing cost increases. Group income for the fourth quarter will be lower than that for 1989.

At Sept. 28, 1990, 5.7675 Swedish kronor equaled one U.S. dollar.

SKF GROUP CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION
(SEK in millions, except per share data)

	Jan.-Sept. 1989		Jan.-Sept. 1990		Change
	MSEK	Pct.	MSEK	Pct.	Pct.
Net sales	18,465	100.0	21,077	100.0	+14.1
Other operating income	125	--	61	--	--
	18,590	--	21,138	--	--
Cost of goods sold	-12,498	67.7	-14,019	88.5	+12.2
Selling, administrative & technical expenses	-3,595	19.5	-4,483	21.3	+24.7
Depreciation according to plan	- 602	3.3	-724	3.4	+20.3
Operating income	1,895	10.3	1,912	9.1	+ 0.9
Financial income/ expense - net	-109	0.6	-134	0.8	--
Income after financial income and expense	1,786	9.7	1,778	8.4	- 0.4
Taxes on income	-677	3.7	-754	3.6	+11.4
Extraordinary items after tax	185	--	116	--	--

Income in associated companies and minority interest - net	12	--	-36	--	--
Net income	1,306	7.1	1,104	5.2	-15.5
Earnings per share in SEK					
before extraord. items	10.00	--	8.75	--	--
after extraord. items	11.65	--	9.80	--	--
Additions to property, plant and equipment	805	--	937	--	--
Average number of employees at work	46,718	--	49,775	--	--
Return on capital employed, percent	19.2	--	17.9	--	--

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Alliance Capital Management L.P. (NYSE: AC) today announced a distribution of 44 cents per unit for the third quarter. The partnership distributed 40 cents per unit for the third quarter of 1989.

The distribution is payable on Nov. 9, 1990, to holders of units at the close of business on Nov. 2, 1990.

Revenues increased from $40,370,000 to $46,959,000 for the quarters ended Sept. 30, 1989 and 1990, respectively, and from $113,464,000 to $137,839,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 and 1990, respectively. Assets under management as of Sept. 30, 1990, were approximately $43 billion, down approximately $4.2 billion from June 30, 1990.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $10,184,000, or 36 cents per unit compared to $7,756,000, or 27 cents per unit, for the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $23,099,000, or 81 cents per unit, compared to $17,355,000, or 61 cents per unit, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The partnership is required to distribute its available cash flow, which was $12,438,900, or 44 cents per unit, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Because expenses deducted in determining net income include non-cash items and certain employee compensation and benefits expenses that are funded by the partnership's general partner through capital contributions, available cash flow was significantly in excess of net income per unit.

Alliance Capital Management L.P. is a leading international investment adviser providing investment management services to institutions, primarily pension funds and endowments, and to individual investors through a broad line of

mutual funds and cash management products. The partnership's general partner and majority unitholder is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States.

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LANSING, Mich. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Cade Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CADE), a major manufacturer of advanced composite gas turbine engine components, aircraft structures, test nacelles and bellmouths used in large commercial jet engine applications, announced today significantly improved results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

-- Net income of $642,000 vs. $365,000 for 1990 and 1989, respectively. -- Net income per share of $0.04 vs. $0.02 for 1990 and 1989, respectively.

-- Sales of $6,917,000 vs. $5,485,000 for 1990 and 1989, respectively. Third-quarter sales and net income increased 26 percent and 76 percent over the same period a year ago.

Richard A. Lund, Cade's president, said that "demand for the company's advanced composite components continues to be strong. We have strengthened our sales backlog with confirmed orders through 1992, now in excess of $48 million."

Cade Industries plays a major worldwide role in design, development and manufacture of high technology composite components for the aerospace and air transport industries.

CADE INDUSTRIES, INC.

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
	($000, except per-share amounts)			
Sales	$6,917	$5,485	$20,445	$26,621
Net income	642	365	1,836	881
Net income per share	$.04	$.02	$.11	$.05
Weighted avg. shares of common stock outstanding (000)	16,911	16,966	16,911	16,966

Results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, include $10,456,000 of sales and a net loss of $26,000 from noncomposite businesses disposed of by the company in 1989.

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DEARBORN, MICH. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) today reported the following sales figures:

	1990	1989	Pct. Change	Selling Days 1990	Selling Days 1989
Total Vehicles					
Oct. 11-20	88,671	81,001	+ 9.5	9	9
Oct. 1-20	172,351	176,183	- 7.6	18	17
Jan. 1-Oct. 20	2,796,469	3,060,437	- 9.0	248	247
Total Cars Oct. 11-20		53,008	48,811	+ 8.6	
Oct. 1-20	103,739	107,983	- 9.3		
Jan. 1-Oct. 20	1,615,233	1,852,102	-13.1	Imported Cars	
Oct. 11-20	1,651	1,816	- 9.4		
Oct. 1-20	3,192	3,633	-17.3		
Jan. 1-Oct. 20	53,488	65,935	-19.1	Total Trucks	
Oct. 11-20	35,663	32,190	+10.8		
Oct. 1-20	68,612	68,200	- 5.0		
Jan. 1-Oct. 20	1,181,236	1,208,335	- 2.6	Light Trucks	
Oct. 11-20	34,707	31,143	+11.4		
Oct. 1-20	66,759	65,535	- 3.8		
Jan. 1-Oct. 20	1,143,190	1,160,790	- 1.9		

Note: Percentage changes are based on daily selling rates.

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WILMINGTON, DE (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Hercules Inc. (NYSE: HPC) today reported third quarter net income of $29.5 million, equal to $.62 per share.

This compares with 1989 third quarter net income of $44.1 million, equal to $.94 per share, including $13.6 million, or $.28 per share, of net nonrecurring income.

Nine month 1990 net income was $93.4 million, equal to $1.98 per share, compared with $130.5 million, equal to $2.78 per share, exclusive of a $15 million ($.32 per share) credit for the cumulative effect on prior years of changes in accounting, for the first nine months of 1989. The 1990 nine month results include a net nonrecurring charge of $6.4 million, or $.14 per share, while the 1989 nine month results include net nonrecurring income of $22.2 million, or $.45 per share.

Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $812 million, compared with $787 million in the third quarter a year ago. Sales of $2.379 billion for the first nine months of 1990 compare with $2.318 billion for the corresponding period in 1989.

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BOULDER, Colo. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Cell Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CELL), the Colorado-based biotechnology firm specializing in the development of biologic response modifier (BRM) technology, today presented significant pre-clinical anti-viral data concerning the use of its anti-viral BRM application, Aviron, at the 30th Interscience Conference on Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy in Atlanta. The company announced that Aviron has shown promise as a treatment for cytomegalovirus disease, a serious opportunistic infection which often accompanies AIDS and other ailments compromising the immune system.

The drug significantly reduced the severity of cytomegalovirus infections in mice, a model often used for studying potential therapies for the human disease, says Robert W. Sidwell, director of the Antiviral and AIDS Research Programs at Utah State University in Logan, Utah. Sidwell reported his findings today at this conference held in Atlanta.

Aviron, produced from the bacteria Serratia marcescens, augments certain immune functions, including natural killer cell activity, K cell and monocyte-mediated antibody-dependent cellular toxicity, and cytotoxic T cell activity. The drug also stimulates the production of interferon. The natural killer and T cell effects, suppressed in cytomegalovirus infections, apparently were sufficiently reversed by Aviron to inhibit the viral infection. The sooner the drug was administered to cytomegalovirus-infected mice, the more effective it was against the infection.

Cell Technology, Inc. is a biotechnology company specializing in the field of immunotherapy. The company's innovative BRM products are being developed to activate the body's own immune response to fight cancer, viral infections, and to act as a general immunomodulating agent.

CONTACT: W. Terrance Schreier, chairman, president and CEO; Frederick C. Pearson, Ph.D., V.P. - scientific operations; or William H. Critchfield, V.P. - finance and CFO, all of Cell Technology, 303-443-8155

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DETROIT (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are unit sales for the 10-day

period, Oct. 11-20, for Lincoln-Mercury Division:

	Current	Year-ago
Grand Marquis	2,829	2,140
Cougar	1,789	1,720
Sable	3,273	2,516
Topaz	1,742	1,942
Tracer	1,389	1,115
Capri	446	---
Lincoln Town Car	3,969	2,921
Mark VII	251	371
Continental	1,359	1,305
XR4Ti	---	39
Scorpio	---	245
TOTAL	17,047	14,314

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MIAMI (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Knight-Ridder, Inc. (NYSE: KRI) today released its monthly statistical report for September and the year-to-date figures of its operations as follows:

KNIGHT-RIDDER, INC. MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

	SEPTEMBER			YEAR-TO-DATE		
	1990	1989	Percent Change	1990	1989	Percent Change
REVENUE ($000)						
Business Information Services	$24,975	$22,362	11.7	$233,271	$203,894	14.4
Newspaper Advertising						
Retail	$64,432	$61,006	5.6	$562,195	$557,493	0.8
General	16,676	14,088	18.5	139,635	134,924	3.5
Classified	51,015	48,699	4.8	457,191	455,178	0.4
Total	$132,123	123,773	6.7	$1,159,021	1,147,595	1.0
Circulation	$35,136	$31,124	12.9	$301,111	$284,965	5.7
AVERAGE CIRCULATION - EXCLUDING PASADENA & DETROIT (000s of copies) (A)(C)						
Morning	2,947	2,891	1.9	2,913	2,844	2.4
Evening	385	406	(5.2)	386	404	(4.4)
Sunday	4,217	4,158	1.4	4,183	4,155	0.7

ADVERTISING LINAGE
(000s of six column inches)

(A)(B)(C) & (D)

Full run ROP						
Retail	1,409.7	1,491.6	(5.5)	12,601.9	13,363.4	(5.7)
General	161.1	155.1	3.8	1,414.6	1,520.9	(7.0)
Classified	1,198.8	1,198.6	--	10,549.3	10,732.6	(1.7)
Total	2,769.6	2,845.3	(2.7)	24,565.8	25,616.9	(4.1)
Factored Part Run ROP	131.5	134.8	(2.5)	1,233.7	1,218.3	1.3
Full Run Preprint	1.277.5	1,004.4	27.2	10,771.1	9,911.1	8.7
Part Run Preprint	1,221.8	1,091.6	11.9	10,443.1	10,911.3	(4.3)
TOTAL PREPRINTS INSERTED (000s)	359,481	278,799	28.9	2,960,634	2,791,188	6.1
BASIC CABLE TELEVISION SUBSCRIBERS				308,000	293,000	5.1

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	SEPTEMBER		YEAR-TO-DATE			
			PERCENT			PERCENT
	1990	1989	CHANGE	1990	1989	CHANGE
FULL RUN ROP ADVERTISING LINAGE DATA						
By Market (000s of six column inches) - Notes (A)(B)(C) & (D)						
Akron Beacon Journal	120.3	114.5	5.1	982.6	1,018.8	(3.6)
Charlotte Observer	151.9	160.2	(5.2)	1,265.9	1,363.6	(7.2)
Columbia State	138.6	136.1	1.8	1,224.6	1,234.3	(0.8)
Detroit Free Press	97.5	124.0	(21.4)	882.9	1,119.7	(21.1)
Ft. Wayne News-Sentinel, Journal-Gazette	128.4	140.6	(8.7)	1,248.7	1,298.5	(3.8)
Lexington Herald-Leader	99.6	109.0	(8.6)	852.3	939.4	(9.3)
Long Beach Press-Telegram	110.3	109.2	1.0	1,001.3	1,000.3	0.1
Miami Herald	200.4	214.2	(6.4)	1,837.1	1,939.2	(5.3)
Philadelphia Inquirer, News	268.7	277.8	(3.3)	2,312.3	2,489.7	(7.1)
St. Paul Pioneer Press	111.3	115.7	(3.8)	941.9	998.1	(5.6)
San Jose Mercury News	270.7	282.5	(4.2)	2,432.5	2,521.3	(3.5)
Wichita Eagle	89.8	91.6	(2.0)	781.6	810.8	(3.6)
All Other Daily Newspapers	982.1	969.9	1.3	8,802.1	8,883.2	(0.9)
Total - Full Run ROP	2,769.6	2,845.3	(2.7)	24,565.8	25,616.9	(4.1)

(A) - Statistics of the Pasadena Star-News, sold on June 1, 1989, are excluded for comparability from these schedules. Full-Run ROP linage for the Star-News for June 1989 was 289.1 for the year-to-date.

(B) - Full run ROP linage of the joint operating agency between the Seattle Times and the Seattle Post Intelligencer was 259 for the month (up 5.8 percent

from the prior year) and 2,231 for the year-to-date (up 2.7 percent from the prior year).

Knight-Ridder owns 49.5 percent of the voting stock and 65 percent of the non-voting common stock of the Seattle Times. None of the linage is included in the Advertising Linage section.

(C) - On Nov. 27, 1989, the Detroit News and the Detroit Free Press began operations under a Joint Operating Agreement as the Detroit News Agency (DNA).

Revenue and linage for 1990 include 50 percent of DNA. Revenue and linage for 1989 include Detroit Free Press only. Circulation statistics for Detroit are excluded for both years.

(D) - Measured by individual Knight-Ridder newspapers. Where necessary, certain previously reported linage has been restated to be consistent with measurement guidelines currently in use.

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WICHITA, KAN. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Brite Voice Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: BVSI) reported revenues of $3,000,000 for the third quarter of 1990 ended Sept. 30. Revenues for the like period in 1989 were $3,364,000. A net loss of $33,000 (1 cent per share) was recorded in the third quarter of 1990 compared to a net income of $577,000 (16 cents per share) reported in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Brite Voice reported revenues of $8,415,000 compared to $12,041,000 for the like period in 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $531,000 (12 cents per share). The company reported net income of $1,977,000 (56 cents per share) for the first nine months of 1989.

According to Stan Brannan, president and CEO at Brite, "Two factors adversely affected our third quarter results. The first continues to be the lack of large system orders which favorably impacted 1989 results. The second was the settlement of our litigation with 900 Services Inc. which caused us to take a pre-tax charge of approximately $463,000 in this quarter. Our operating income would have been approximately $286,000 and we would have shown a modest profit had this charge not been taken."

Brannan added, "We have continued to add managers and staff throughout this period of soft sales, even though this has resulted in lower earnings than we might otherwise have achieved. We believe that this action is necessary if we are to achieve our goal of positioning the company as one of the leading providers of voice processing equipment."

BRITE VOICE SYSTEMS INC.
Summary Financial Information
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$3,000,000	$3,364,000	$8,415,000	$12,041,000
Operating income	(177,000)	866,000	86,000	3,014,000
Net income	(33,000)	577,000	531,000	1,977,000
Income per share	(.01)	.16	.12	.56
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,182,000	3,668,000	4,323,000	3,536,000

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#90297p8866 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - DI Industries, Inc. (AMEX: DRL) announced today its results of operations for the three months and the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues increased 59 percent to $12,579,000 for the current quarter as compared to $7,915,000 a year ago. The company recorded net income of $598,000 for the current quarter as compared to a loss of $385,000 a year ago. Cash flow increased 340 percent to $1,301,000 for the current quarter as compared to $296,000 a year ago. The company reported net income per share of $.02 for the quarter as compared to a net loss of $.01 per share for a year ago.

Revenues increased 79 percent to $22,591,000 for the six months ended Sept. 30 1990, as compared to $12,595,000 for the six months a year ago. Net income was $984,000 for the current six months compared to a loss of $1,210,000 a year ago. Cash flow was $2,372,000 for the current six months compared to negative cash flow of $106,000 a year ago. The company reported net income per share of $.03 for the six months as compared to a net loss of $.04 a year ago.

DI Industries, Inc., headquartered in Houston, is engaged primarily in the business of providing onshore contract drilling and well workover services to firms in the oil and gas industry, commercial drilling, oil and gas exploration, development and production and equipment repair and sales.

DI INDUSTRIES, INC.
(Unaudited)

Quarter ended Sept. 30	1990	1989

Revenues	$12,579,000	$7,915,000
Net income (loss)	598,000	(385,000)
Wtd. avg. shrs. of com. stock outstdg.	36,670,632	29,557,293
Net income (loss) per common share	$.02	$(.01)
Six months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$22,591,000	$12,595,000
Net income (loss)	984,000	(1,210,000)
Wtd. avg. shrs. of com. stock outsdg.	36,660,999	29,557,293
Net income (loss) per common share	$.03	$(.04)

CONTACT: David J. Cone, financial vice president of DI Industries, 713-874-0202

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#90297p8869 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANCHESTER, NH (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - BankEast Corporation (NASDAQ: BENH), a New Hampshire-based bank holding company, announced today that it has filed voluntary Chapter 11 reorganization proceedings to protect the company from the demands of two out-of-state noteholders. This action was prompted when the noteholders filed suit against the holding company on Oct. 5, seeking to secure $13 million in subordinated debentures issued by BankEast Corporation in 1988.

"As far as BankEast depositors and other customers are concerned, it continues to be business as usual," said W.N. DeWitt, chairman and chief executive officer of the company. Deposits of BankEast are FDIC-insured to the maximum extent permitted under applicable law.

"This is the prudent step for us to take, given that the noteholder chose to press their demands in the courts. We are committed to this action, recognizing that it is better to act early when many options still exists than to wait until the last minute when perhaps no options will exists."

DeWitt emphasized that these developments should have no effect on the conduct on business by the holding company's subsidaries: BankEast, its FDIC-insured banking subsidiary; BankEast Mortgage Corp; or BankEast Trust Company. These subsidiaries are separate legal entities and are not responsible for the holding company's obligations to the noteholders.

With this development, DeWitt also announced that the board of directors of the holding company have been reorganized. "Eight of the board members will now serve on the bank's board of directors, focusing their attention strictly on bank-related issues. The other five board members will remain on the holding company board and concentrate on the Chapter 11 reorganization process " said DeWitt.

The out-of-state noteholders, Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Company of

Hartford, Conn., and John Alden Life Insurance Company of Miami, Fla., initiated their demand for accelerated payment of the debt while the holding company was in technical default of some terms of the notes. The holding company noted that it had made all scheduled payments when due, and that principal payments were not to begin until November 1992.

"We don't belive it appropriate, or in the best interests of any of our customers, for us to stand by while two institutional investors take steps to increase the problems that need to be faced in New Hampshire. It's important that we do whatever is necessary, and available to us by law, to assure that the best interests of our stockholders, other creditors, and all our customers are protected.

"We intend to file a plan of reorganization promptly, come out of Chapter 11, and pay all our creditors," DeWitt concluded.

BankEast Corporation is a New Hampshire-based holding company with $1 billion in assets.

CONTACT: W.N. DeWitt, chairman and CEO, 603-624-6192 or David Blake, senior vice president, 603-624-6098, both of BankEast

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#90297p8870 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CRYSTAL LAKE, ILL. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Sun Electric Corp. (NYSE: SE) announced today that it has purchased that portion of the business of Murray Corp. related to the design, manufacture, marketing, sale and distribution of products for the automotive air conditioning market consisting of refrigerant recovery, purification, charging and diagnostic equipment.

This acquisition will enable Sun Electric to manufacture, market and sell a complete line of vehicle air conditioning products throughout the world. As part of the agreement, Sun Electric will manufacture and service equipment for Murray to sell into its existing distribution channels in the United States and Canada.

Gerald A. Kien, Sun Electric's chairman, president and chief executive officer stated, "It is estimated that there are currently over 140 million vehicles in the world equipped with automotive air conditioning systems. It is also widely held that the release of CFCs (chlorofluorocarbons) contained in such systems into the atmosphere is a potential contributor to the depletion of the earth's protective ozone layer. Consequently, virtually every automobile and truck manufacturer in the world has endorsed the use of refrigerant recovery equipment and has authorized the use of recycled refrigerants under their new vehicle warranties.

"The acquisition of this product line will complement our current line of

vehicle emissions analyzers, diagnostic, test and service equipment and is consistent with our strategy to participate fully in the area of environmental protection, particularly as it relates to the automotive industry. We also welcome the opportunity to use our worldwide distribution channels to make products available to the automotive service industry which can have a direct and dramatic impact on reducing CFC emissions into the atmosphere."

Sun Electric Corp. is primarily engaged in the design, manufacture, marketing and service of diagnostic, test and service equipment for the motor vehicle service industry and motor vehicle manufacturers in more than 100 countries.

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#90297p8871 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

THOMASTON, GA. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - In reporting on the results of first quarter fiscal year 1991, Neil Hightower, president and CEO of Thomaston Mills (NASDAQ: TMSTA TMSTB), stated that general economic conditions have caused a slowing of textile markets.

Sales decreased 10.3 percent to $43,684,235 compared to the same quarter last year, and the company lost $318,333 for the quarter.

Capacity is being increased for the manufacture of comforters, and plans call for starting a second shift in early 1991.

Other capital improvements are on schedule with additional sewing capacity for sheets and pillowcases being constructed.

Hightower stated that Thomaston Mills continues to take a long-term view of business and will be well positioned to take advantage of improved economic conditions when they occur.

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#90297p8872 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, VA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - ERC Environmental and Energy Services Co. Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ERCE) today announced revenues and earnings for the third quarter and nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Third quarter revenues rose by 21 percent to $23.1 million from $19.1 million in the third quarter last year. Net earnings increased at a faster pace -- up 35 percent to $1.5 million, while fully diluted earnings per share (EPS) were up 30 percent to 26 cents per share from 20 cents.

ERCE's environmental consulting, engineering and testing business continued to have strong growth in revenues and operating profits in the third quarter due to continuing strong demand for the company's environmental expertise as well as high labor utilization and ongoing cost control. After a sluggish first half, the company's energy consulting business grew in the third quarter by 7 percent over the same period in 1989 with operating profits up by 44 percent due to an increase in the level of consulting activity and higher labor utilization.

For the first nine months of the year, revenues grew by 19 percent to $62.8 million from $52.9 million during the same period in the prior year. Earnings from continuing operations increased 25 percent to $3.6 million from $2.8 million, while fully diluted EPS from continuing operations grew by 21 percent to 64 cents per share from 53 cents.

J. Mark Elliott, president, stated: "We continue to grow in line with our plan and budget for the year. We are especially pleased with the growth in our operating profits, which showed an increase of 17 percent in our environmental consulting, engineering, and testing business, and 44 percent in our energy business. Looking ahead, we have seen no indication of a downturn in our business as a result of current economic conditions. We are encouraged by the signs of strong momentum in our business."

On Oct. 23, 1990, Ogden Corporation (NYSE: OG), which owns approximately 68 percent of the outstanding shares of common stock of ERCE, offered to acquire the remaining interest for a cash consideration of $14.75 per share. ERCE has appointed a special committee of its board of directors, consisting of three non-management directors, to consider the fairness of the proposal to the public stockholders of ERCE.

ERCE is a professional and technical services firm providing a comprehensive range of environmental, infrastructure and energy consulting, engineering and analytical services to industrial and commercial companies and governmental agencies. The company has principal operating offices in Fairfax; Nashville, Tenn.; and San Diego.

ERC ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENERGY SERVICES CO., INC.
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Earnings
(Unaudited; dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989(A)	1990	1989(A)
Revenues				
Environmental and infra-structure engineering	$17,753	$14,125	$47,656	$37,659
Energy	5,351	5,015	15,110	15,199
Total	23,104	19,140	62,766	52,858

Operating Expenses				
Direct expenses and applied overhead:				
Environmental & infra-structure engineering	14,802	11,599	40,037	32,095
Energy	4,116	4,156	12,522	11,795
Total	18,918	15,755	52,559	43,890
Selling, general & administrative expenses	1,376	1,368	3,326	3,626
Total	20,294	17,123	55,885	47,516
Operating earnings	2,810	2,017	6,881	5,342
Interest expense, net	236	268	776	643
Earnings before income taxes	2,574	1,749	6,105	4,699
Provision for income taxes	1,101	691	2,549	1,856
Earnings from continuing operations	1,473	1,058	3,556	2,843
Discontinued operations, net of taxes	--	36	(868)	(98)
Net earnings	$1,473	$1,094	$2,688	$2,745
Earnings per common & common equivalent share				
Primary:				
Continuing operations	$0.28	$0.20	$0.68	$0.55
Discontinued operations	$0.00	$0.01	($0.17)	($0.02)
Net	$0.28	$0.21	$0.51	$0.53
Fully diluted:				
Continuing operations	$0.26	$0.19	$0.64	$0.53
Discontinued operations	$0.00	$0.01	($0.15)	($0.02)
Net	$0.26	$0.20	$0.49	$0.51
Weighted average shares outstanding:				
Primary	5,281,858	5,187,962	5,254,543	5,155,463
Fully diluted	5,877,096	5,811,475	5,859,820	5,762,925

(A) 1989 condensed consolidated statement of earnings has been restated to reflect the discontinuance of the company's Digital Conversion Division effective June 1, 1990.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Republic Waste Industries, Inc. has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to a proposed public offering of 3,531,665 shares of its common stock.

PaineWebber Incorporated and the Chicago Corporation are the managing underwriters of the offering. Of the 3,531,665 shares being offered, 2,800,000 are being offered by the company and 731,665 are being offered by certain selling shareholders. The company will not receive any proceeds from the sale of shares by the selling shareholders.

Republic Waste Industries, Inc. is an integrated solid waste company providing disposal and collection services to public and private sector customers. The company is also capable of providing engineering and consulting, landfill construction, and other solid waste support services to landfill owners and operators.

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#90297p8887 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Pitt-Des Moines Inc. (AMEX: PDM) today reported net income of $2.7 million ($1.08 per share) on earned revenue of $96.3 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. These results compare with net income of $336,000 ($0.14 per share) on earned revenue of $90.7 million for the same period last year.

Results for the current quarter represent an increase of $3.6 million in income from operations from $786,000 in 1989 to $4.3 million in 1990. The increase in earned revenue of $5.6 million was primarily attributable to increased earned revenue at the Standard Plate Products profit center.

This profit center, along with the turnaround measures implemented at the Chicago Steel Construction facility, contributed significantly to the increase in gross profits during the current quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $5.7 million ($2.32 per share) on earned revenue of $275.0 million compared to net income of $2.2 million ($0.87 per share) on earned revenue of $274.7 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Operating income for the first nine months of 1990 was $9.4 million compared to $3.1 million the previous year.

Bookings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, aggregated $272.6 million compared to $258.1 million for the same period in 1989. At Sept. 30, 1990, the company's backlog was $181.2 million.

Pitt-Des Moines Inc. and its subsidiaries operate four basic business units: Standard Products, Technology Products and Services, Steel Construction, and Service Centers.

PDM(R) provides a wide range of custom engineered products, structures, and facilities for commercial, industrial, municipal, and governmental customers in addition to processing and distributing a general line of carbon steel products.

PDM has facilities in the following locations: Atlanta; Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Chicago; Columbus, Ohio; Costa Mesa, Calif.; Des Moines, Iowa; Fresno, Calif.; Fullerton, Calif.; Houston; Morristown, N.J.; Pittsburgh; Sacramento, Calif.; Santa Clara, Calif.; Spanish Fork, Utah; Sparks, Nev.; Stockton, Calif.; Tenio Wash.; Tualatin, Ore.

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#90297p8889 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

THE WOODLANDS, TX (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitchell Energy & Development Corp. (AMEX: MND) today reported the acquisition for $3 million of varying working interests in 13 wells and 2,620 net acres of leases in North and Southeast Texas.

The purchases, which involved three separate transactions, add more than 2.3 billion cubic feet of natural gas and approximately 52,000 barrels of oil to the company's proved and probable reserves. The company said the newly acquired leases are believed to have significant remaining development potential.

In the largest acquisition, Mitchell paid Tex-Am Petroleum Corporation $1.8 million for two natural gas producers and 266 net acres of associated leases in Eastland County in North Central Texas. With the purchase, Mitchell owns 100 percent of the working interests in the wells.

Mitchell also acquired ten oil and gas producers and 2,216 net acres of associated leases in Palo Pinto and Jack counties from Cromeens Petroleum, Inc., and others, for $988,000. With the purchase, Mitchell received 100 percent of the working interests in nine of the producers and 50 percent of the working interests in the remaining well.

In a third acquisition, Mitchell paid a total of $210,000 to four separate parties for 33 percent of the working interests in a producing oil well in Colorado County and 347.6 net acres of associated leases.

In the last two years, Mitchell has spent in excess of $32 million in more than 70 separate transactions to acquire producing oil and gas properties. Mitchell Energy & Development Corp. is one of the nation's largest independent energy companies. The company also has sizable real estate interests in the Houston-Galveston area.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - FSI International, Inc. (NASDAQ: FSII) today reported lower sales and a loss for the fiscal year and quarter ended Aug. 25, 1990.

For the year, sales were $54.3 million, compared with $61.6 million in 1989. The company had a net loss of $1.7 million, or $.44 per share, versus net income of $3.2 million, or $.84 per share, the prior year. Approximately $1.1 million of the loss, after-tax, or $.27 per share, stemmed from several one-time charges.

For the fourth quarter, sales decreased to $13.4 million from $18.5 million in the year-earlier period. The company had a net loss of $1.1 million, or $.28 per share, compared with net income of $1.1 million, or $.27 per share, last year.

According to FSI President and Chief Executive Officer, Richard Jackson, "The sales decline in fiscal 1990 occurred primarily in two of our five product lines. We had very few multiple unit orders for FSI's spray processing systems, coupled with customers continuing to delay purchase commitments for chemical management and delivery systems." The approximately $1.1 million, after-tax, or $.27 per share, in one-time charges related to relocation of FSI's southern California division, termination of the Convac relationship for photoresist equipment and establishing greater reserves for inventory obsolescence and rework. Jackson said, "The current industry softness means that a more cautious approach to inventory is prudent."

"We are continuing our strong efforts in sales and marketing to increase incoming orders," continued Jackson. "We are proceeding with key new product development programs but have taken various steps to reduce costs and improve future performance. We are still encouraged by the stronger industry outlook for semiconductor equipment companies in 1991 and 1992."

FSI International, Inc. is a leader in producing automated surface conditioning equipment for processing silicon wafers. The company develops, manufactures, markets and services centrifugal spray processing systems, photoresist processing equipment, gas processing systems, and chemical management and delivery systems for use in the fabrication of advanced semiconductor integrated circuits. FSI's customers include semiconductor manufacturers located throughout North America, Europe, Japan and the Far East.

FSI INTERNATIONAL, INC. SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA
(In Thousands, Except Per Share Data)

	Fourth Quarter Ended		Year Ended	
	8/25/90	8/26/89	8/25/90	8/26/89
(Unaudited) INCOME STATEMENT DATA:				
Sales	$13,432	$18,476	$54,306	$61,594
Gross Profit	4,240	7,461	19,440	25,830
Selling, General & Administrative Expenses	3,373	4,075	13,376	13,568
Research & Development Expenses	2,449	1,931	9,010	7,559
Operating Income (Loss)	(1,582)	1,455	(2,946)	4,703
Interest Expense	(92)	(84)	(248)	(377)
Other Income (Expense) - Net	(16)	24	7	(57)
Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes	(1,690)	1,395	(3,187)	4,269
Income Taxes (Benefit)	(599)	343	(1,246)	1,255
Equity in Earnings (Loss) of Affiliates	(46)	57	192	140
Net Income (Loss)	$(1,137)	$1,109	$(1,749)	$3,154
Net Income (Loss) Per Common Share	$ (.28)	$ .27	$ (.44)	$ .84
Weighted Average Common Shares	4,012	4,148	4,012	3,734

	8/25/90	8/26/89
BALANCE SHEET DATA: Assets:		
Receivables -- Net	$13,741	$18,279
Inventories	9,302	12,288
Total Current Assets	27,515	33,304
Total Assets	34,293	38,373
Liabilities and Equity:		
Short-Term Debt	2,928	3,386
Total Current Liabilities	11,014	13,224
Long-Term Debt	367	472
Stockholders' Equity	22,615	24,364

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#90297p8892 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - CRSS Inc. (NYSE: CRX) today announced consolidated operating results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991. Net earnings for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $2.8 million, or $0.19 per share, on $69.2 million operating revenue. This compares to net income of $4.1 million, or $0.33 per share, on $70.7 million operating revenues for the corresponding quarter of the prior fiscal year.

The decrease vs. prior year of 33 percent in net income and 42 percent EPS, on essentially flat operating revenues, is attributable to a 17 percent increase in the number of shares outstanding, a 19 percent increase in the effective tax rate and additional expenditures related to achieving CRSS' aggressive five-year growth objectives.

These additional expenditures related primarily to further penetration of the power markets, both as a provider of engineering design and construction management services, and as an independent owner/operator; further development of privatization as a niche in the transportation and infrastructure markets; further expansion internationally through efforts to develop various strategic alliances, and development of internal systems supporting CRSS' capability to provide value added engineering design services.

Gross revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were $117.7 million compared to $140.5 million for the same quarter of the prior fiscal year, a 16 percent decrease. This decrease in gross revenues reflects a decrease in the mix of projects with relatively higher levels of subcontract and procurement pass-through costs on which the company earns little or no profit.

Operating revenue backlog at Sept. 30, 1990, was $215.8 million which included the effect of a $28 million adjustment associated with decreases in CRSS scope on two unrelated projects. This compared with $237.1 million operating revenue backlog at June 30, 1990, and $243.4 million operating revenue at Sept. 30, 1989.

Gross revenue backlog at Sept. 30, 1990, was $450.3 million compared to $462.6 million at June 30, 1990, and $458.9 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Operating revenue new orders for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 totalled $62.4 million and consist of various projects in the engineering and architectural design, program management, transportation/civil and power sectors.

In August, CRSS Capital, Inc., a majority-owned subsidiary of the company, announced that its Hopewell cogeneration facility achieved commercial operation on July 27, 1990. The largest non-utility power project in commercial operation on the East Coast, and one of the largest of its kind in the United States, the $200 million cogeneration facility generates enough electricity to supply 250,000 homes.

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#90297p8893 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - A regular quarterly cash dividend of 60 cents per share was declared today by the board of directors of American Electric Power Company (NYSE: AEP).

The dividend is payable Dec. 10 to shareowners of record Nov. 9.

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#90297p8894 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Polaroid has introduced a time-saving accessory for its 600 Series hand-held cameras, facilitating photography of the vehicle identification number (VIN) used to positively identify every vehicle for insurance and registration purposes.

The new device, called Polaroid VIN/Close-Up Hood, provides close-up framing to enable clear photography of the VIN, printed on the EPA sticker permanently affixed to a vehicle's door jamb.

The VIN/Close-Up Hood attaches easily to Polaroid 600 Series cameras (Spirit 600, 600 LMS, 635CL and OneStep).

To date, in response to skyrocketing auto insurance rates and staggering statistics of reported thefts, four states (Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey and Florida) have adopted laws requiring a photograph of the VIN for registration of a motor vehicle.

Automobile inspectors, garage personnel, and other field photographers typically use a Polaroid instant camera and film to produce and verify the required VIN photograph. The new VIN attachment aids fast, simple and accurate documentation on the spot. Previously, some field photographers had difficulty maneuvering cameras into position on the car's door jamb to obtain a satisfactory photograph of the VIN on the first try. Proper use of the Polaroid VIN/Close-Up Hood produces legible photographs instantly.

Shielding the EPA sticker from stray light, the VIN/Close-Up Hood also provides a .85 magnification at 5.5-inch focal distance and an optical wedge, correcting for parallax between the camera lens and photometer. The device also incorporates light-baffling, light distribution modulators for uniform exposure, and a mounting clip for attachment to the camera. Tips for VIN photography

Once the Polaroid VIN/Close-Up Hood is mounted on the camera, the photographer places the hood directly over the vehicle's EPA sticker, centering it over the printed VIN.

Polaroid technicians offer the following photography tips:

1. Make sure the EPA sticker is clean and dry.
   A wet surface may cause reflection.
2. Be careful to center the hood over the VIN.

3. Adjust the camera's lighten/darken control to
   the center position.
4. Always use flash.

The Polaroid VIN/Close-Up Hood may be purchased through any Polaroid professional dealer. For the name of the dealer nearest you, call toll free 1-800/343-9000. Suggested list price of the VIN/Close-Up Hood is $89.95.

Polaroid Corporation, with sales of almost $2 billion, is the worldwide leader in high-quality, hard copy instant imaging.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Ameritech (NYSE: AIT) today announced plans to test new communications services that could make it easier and more affordable for people to stay in touch -- wherever they go.

In a request to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), the company asked for a license to develop and test a technology that makes possible new wireless telephone services called personal communications services (PCS). The radio-based, digital technology will let consumers communicate using portable telephones smaller and less expensive than those available today.

''Personal communications services will represent a revolutionary change in the way we will be able to communicate,'' said Michael Hansen, Ameritech director of corporate strategy. ''People are demanding more convenient ways to stay in touch. In a few years, these new wireless services may be one of the most popular means of communication.''

The technology behind PCS is similar to the technology that makes possible mobile communications. Both divide an area into cells that are powered by central transmitters. PCS technology, however, uses cells which are much smaller, allowing telephones to be small, low- powered and lightweight.

''These telephones are likely to be small enough to fit in a shirt pocket and as lightweight as a wallet,'' Hansen said. ''Compared to today's portable telephones, these new phones will offer improved transmission quality and in time will be less expensive -- probably less than $100 each.''

He added that the services can be used while stationary or walking, not while traveling in a car.

For the trial, Ameritech will partner with a manufacturer that can develop the new phones, which will be similar to those being used elsewhere in the world, but not in the U.S.

If Ameritech's request to the FCC is approved, the company plans to trial PCS next year in metropolitan Chicago, birthplace of mobile telephone service in the U.S. The company will deploy up to 1,000 PCS telephones and 100 cell sites, each capable of providing service in an area up to 200 yards in diameter using radio spectrum in the 1850 to 1990 MHz range.

The company plans to evaluate the technical and marketing aspects of PCS and test how well the technology can interconnect with the existing public telephone network.

Ameritech's request for the license comes at a time when the FCC is studying carefully personal communications services. Of particular concern to the FCC is how to properly allocate radio spectrum, a limited resource that is in demand given the growth of wireless communications in recent years.

Ameritech is the Chicago-based parent of the Bell companies serving Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin, as well as several other companies providing mobile communications, directory publishing, lease financing and audiotex services. Its 1989 revenues were $10.2 billion.

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MIDLAND, MI (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Dow Corning Corporation reported today that for the third quarter of 1990, sales were $434 million, up 11 percent over the $390 million reported for the same period in 1989. Net income was $43.5 million, up 18 percent over the $36.9 million reported in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, sales were $1,269 million and profits were $126.4 million. Sales were up 7 percent from the $1,190 million reported in 1989, while net income increased 4 percent from the $121.9 million reported for the same period in 1989.

"Our performance in this quarter showed good growth relative to both the current economic environment and last year's quarterly results," said Edward Steinhoff, vice president for finance and chief financial officer.

"Revenue growth was broad-based across most market segments," stated Steinhoff. "We anticipate, however, this rate of sales growth will not be sustained in the near future due to deteriorating world economic conditions."

Steinhoff added, "Third-quarter profits benefited from both our sales growth and a more favorable tax provision rate. Future profitability is threatened, however, by rising costs which cannot be completely offset by productivity

improvements. Price increases on Dow Corning products are being announced in most parts of the world."

During the third quarter, Dow Corning dedicated major research centers in Midland and Yamakita, Japan. Additionally, the company broke ground on a new $16 million pilot plant in Winnipeg, Manitoba, to pioneer a new and more cost-efficient way to produce silicon metal, a basic raw material for silicones.

Steinhoff added, "These global investments in research and development demonstrate our long-term confidence for the future despite the current atmosphere of economic uncertainty."

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MELROSE PARK, ILL. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Leonard H. Lavin, chairman and chief executive officer of Alberto-Culver Company (NYSE: ACV), today announced that the company achieved double-digit percentage increases in both sales and earnings for its fourth quarter and 1990 fiscal year.

Sales for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990 were a record $795.8 million compared to $717.4 million for fiscal 1989, an increase of 10.9 percent. Net earnings were a record $35 million versus $29.4 million last year, an increase of 18.9 percent. Earnings per share in fiscal 1990 increased to $1.30 from last year's $1.12.

For the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, sales increased 16 percent to $223 million, compared to $192.2 million for the fourth quarter last year. Net earnings for the quarter increased 21.1 percent to $11.4 million versus last year's $9.4 million, while earnings per share increased to 41 cents, compared to 36 cents in the fourth quarter of 1989.

"Alberto-Culver ended the fiscal year with the highest sales and earnings and the strongest balance sheet in its 35-year history," Lavin said. "Profit margins were also up, achieving their highest level since 1970."

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HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Panhandle Eastern Corporation (NYSE: PEL) today declared a quarterly dividend of $0.20 per share of common stock, payable Dec. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 16, 1990.

Panhandle Eastern Corporation, one of the 15 companies that comprise the Dow Jones Utility Average, has paid dividends continuously since 1939.

CONTACT: John P. Barnett, 713-627-4072 (media), or Dorothy M. Ables, 713-627-4600 (investors), both of Panhandle Eastern

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#90297p8906 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Maritrans Partners L.P. (NYSE: TUG) today announced net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $5.9 million compared to $2.9 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, on revenues of $40.7 million and $34.2 million, respectively.

Included in net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $4.1 million in income from continuing operations and an extraordinary item of $1.8 million. The extraordinary item was due to the reversal of certain reserves. As a measure of cash-generating capability, a critical factor for master limited partnerships such as Maritrans, net income before interest, depreciation and amortization for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $12.1 million compared to $8.6 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $10.6 million compared to $9.6 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, on revenues of $112.5 million and $100.7 million, respectively. Included in net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $8.8 million from continuing operations and the extraordinary item of $1.8 million.

Stephen A. Van Dyck, chairman and chief executive officer of Maritrans GP Inc. commented: "Our growth in income from continuing operations is encouraging. These results indicate that our long-term approach of positioning Maritrans as a high quality marine transportation company, though increasing our costs, is achieving some success. We intend to continue to work with our customers to provide quality operations which meet safety standards and result in monies for investment in further service and safety improvements."

The board of directors of Maritrans GP Inc., the managing general partner of Maritrans Partners L.P., declared a cash distribution of $.2875 per outstanding limited partnership unit with respect to the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The distribution will be payable on Nov. 21, 1990, to unitholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 5. Since going public in April 1987, Maritrans is making its 14th consecutive quarterly distribution without distribution support from Sonat Inc., the former owning company. For the five-year period ending March 31, 1992, Sonat is obligated (subject to specified terms and conditions) to make contributions to Maritrans, if necessary, in order to support its ability to make cash distributions.

Maritrans Partners L.P. is a master limited partnership formed in 1987 to purchase and operate, through Maritrans Operating Partners L.P., a fleet of tugboats and oceangoing tank barges along the Gulf and Atlantic coasts. Maritrans is the largest independent U.S. flag marine transporter of petroleum products in the coastal trade.

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DALLAS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Dorchester Hugoton, Ltd. (NASDAQ-NMS: DHULZ) announced today net earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $372,000 or three cents per unit compared to $601,000 or six cents per unit for the previous year. Revenues were $1,499,000 and $1,386,000, respectively. The partnership's earnings were adversely affected this quarter in part by severance and related payments approximating $216,000 to Howard C. Wadsworth or his account as a result of his resignation as general manager.

Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $1,957,000 or 18 cents per unit compared to $2,225,000 or 21 cents per unit for the previous period last year. Revenues were $4,564,000 and $4,412,000, respectively.

DORCHESTER HUGOTON, LTD.

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,499,000	$1,386,000	$4,564,000	$4,412,000
Net earnings	372,000	601,000	1,957,000	2,225,000
Earnings per unit	3 cents	6 cents	18 cents	21 cents

Despite decreased third quarter and year-to-date net earnings, revenues from the partnership's natural gas properties less production taxes and lease operating expenses exclusive of legal costs continued to improve. This amounted to $1,194,000 during 1990's third quarter compared to $1,012,000 last year and $3,708,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $3,449,000 in 1989.

The partnership also announced the completion of the Clowdus I-2 infill well in the Hugoton gas field in Stevens County, Kan. The Clowdus I-2 was completed at 2,915 feet in the Chase Group with 98 net feet of gas pay and a calculated open flow potential of 7.4 million cubic feet of gas per day. This well is part of the partnership's Kansas infill drilling program which began in 1987.

Dorchester Hugoton, Ltd., is a Dallas-based producer of natural gas and its depositary receipts are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - On Oct. 24, the directors of IRT Property Co. (NYSE: IRT) declared a quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share payable on Dec. 1 to shareholders of record on Nov. 9.

This represents a reduction of 9 cents per share from the previous quarterly dividend and the first reduction in regular quarterly cash dividends in 12 years.

Donald W. MacLeod, president and chairman of IRT Property Co., stated: "The decision to reduce the IRT dividend at this time was dictated primarily by the current market price of IRT stock. There is no concern about the viability of the company or its investment portfolio.

"Our shopping centers continue to be 95 percent leased and we continue to make leasing progress on new and replacement leases. Cash flow from operations in 1990 is projected to be comparable to our $1.06 per share cash flow from operations in 1989. In 1991, we would expect an increase in this figure as new leases are signed and new tenants take occupancy.

"The reduced dividend, now representing 75-80 percent of the company's cash flow from operations, also affords the company an opportunity to retain funds for modernization programs, general capital improvements, tenant improvements and other expenditures which can be expected to result in enhanced property values and increasing cash flows.

"As a result of this decrease in our quarterly dividends, we now meet all the criteria of research analysts and institutional investors for qualification as a superior real estate investment trust: a sound real estate portfolio, a concentration in types of investments (shopping centers), a geographic concentration (southeastern United States), self-management of our properties and a dividend supported by cash flow from operations."

IRT Property Co., the southeastern shopping center REIT, is a Real Estate Investment Trust which invests primarily in shopping centers in the southeastern United States. The company owns in excess of 5 million square feet of retail space in its portfolio of 90 investments.

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VALLEY FORGE, PA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The trustees of Vanguard Real Estate Fund I (NASDAQ: VREOS) and Vanguard Real Estate Fund II (NASDAQ: VRETS) today approved share repurchase programs and reported reductions of 4.3 percent and 1 percent in estimated market values per share for the respective funds.

The repurchase programs provide for Fund I and Fund II to purchase in the open market, from time to time, up to 500,000 and 300,000, respectively, of their outstanding shares. Fund I currently has 11.4 million outstanding shares, while Fund II has 6.7 million outstanding shares. The trustees determined that a share repurchase program currently represents a sound investment considering each fund's resources, the discount from underlying net asset value at which each fund's shares are trading, and other factors.

The funds also reported that, as a result of an interim review of the market values of each fund's investments performed by the adviser (Aldrich, Eastman & Waltch Inc.), it is expected that appraised values would be moderately reduced. According to the adviser's estimates, the present market value per share of Fund I's investments is approximately $9.50, or $0.43 (4.3 percent) lower than the $9.93 reported at year-end in Fund I's 1989 Annual Report. For Fund II, the current estimated market value per share of the fund's investments is approximately $9.65, or $0.10 (1 percent) lower than the $9.75 reported at year-end in the Fund II's 1989 Annual Report. The results of each fund's annual investment appraisals -- which are performed by independent appraisers -- will be completed by December 1990; nonetheless, the trustees agreed that providing this information, at this time, was in the best interest of current and prospective shareholders.

Reflecting these changes, Vanguard Real Estate Fund I established a reserve for possible losses of $2.5 million or $0.22 per share, based upon the adviser's estimates of market value and the fund's accounting policies. Prior to giving effect to the reserve for possible losses, Fund I had income in the amount of $0.14 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. While recognition of the reserve will cause Fund I to incur a loss of $0.08 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, neither the fund's cash flow nor its taxable income is affected by the reserve. Accordingly, as previously reported, the fund has declared and will pay a cash dividend in the amount of $0.15 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. (Fund II has also declared and will pay a $0.15 cash dividend for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.)

"Cleary, commmercial real estate markets have weakened over the past year," said John C. Bogle, chairman of the funds. "These reductions in estimated market value per share and the establishment of an allowance for possible losses in Fund I are simply designed to fully recognize the impact of these changes in our Portfolios. We remain confident that the funds represent sound investments for long-term investors, and believe that the share repurchase programs illustrate our confidence."

VANGUARD REAL ESTATE FUND I

Periods Ended	Net Income (Loss)		Dividends
Sept. 30, 1990	(000s)	Per Share	Per Share
Quarter	($884)	($0.08)	$0.15
Nine Months	2,404	0.21	0.45

VANGUARD REAL ESTATE FUND II

Periods Ended	Net Income (Loss)		Dividends
Sept. 30, 1990	(000s)	Per Share	Per Share
Quarter	$961	$0.14	$0.15
Nine Months	2,820	0.42	0.45

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COLUMBUS, OHIO (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Lawrence A. McLernon, chairman and chief executive officer of LiTel Communications, Inc. announced this morning that the acquistion of One Call Communications, Inc. will not be completed as previously released. The decision has been mutually agreed upon by both McLernon and Larry Dunigan, chief executive officer of One Call.

Headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, LiTel Communications, Inc. operates as parent company for LiTel Telecommunications Corporation and Charter Network, also based in Columbus, Ohio, and Afford-A-Call, based in Lima, Ohio. LiTel is a founding member of the National Telecommunications Network, the nation's first coast-to-coast all-digital fiber optic network and serves more than 90,000 accounts throughout the Midwest.

One Call offers a full range of telecommunications services to more than 13,000 customers, the majority of which are commercial or business users. One Call is headquartered in Indianapolis and serves selected cities in Indiana and Michigan.

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MEDIA, PA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - At Sept. 30, 1990, Elmwood Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: EFSB) reported net operating income of $220,000 for the third quarter, compared to $320,000 for the comparable period the previous year.

After tax income for the first nine months was $620,000 compared to $1,096,000 reported for the same period in 1989. During the first nine months of 1990, the bank charged in excess of $125,000 to operations representing

non-recurring costs attendant to the terminated Susquehanna Bancshares acquisitions.

Commenting on the terminated acquisition, Lewis W. Walters, president and chief executive officer of Elmwood Federal, explained that in the current climate of the industry, there are comparatively few mergers or acquisition discussions culminating in completed transactions. He stated that the bank's management will continue to explore the potential of that particular strategy to enhance shareholder value.

To date, the bank's management efforts to reduce controllable expenses has resulted in a 10 percent reduction in staff complement and a 17 percent reduction in compensation expenses, on an annualized basis. The bank is continuing to seek further operating economies while maintaining a market presence, and a competitive level of quality service to customers.

The bank's asset quality continues to improve. Of $178 million in net loans receivable at Sept. 30, 1990, $139 million, or 78 percent, represent mortgage loans. Of that amount, $130 million are first mortgage loans on one to four family residences, of which approximately $109 million have adjustable rates. At that date, net construction loans accounted for approximately $14 million of net loans outstanding, compared to $25 million at Sept. 30, 1989, a reduction of 46 percent. Consumer loans amounted to approximately $23 million at Sept. 30, 1990. $20 million of these are secured by second mortgages on local residences.

Elmwood Federal continues to maintain a strong capital position, stringent loan underwriting standards, and a management commitment to directing the institutions' resources to the local markets with which the bank is familiar. A $227 million asset institution, Elmwood Federal has nine offices in suburban Philadelphia serving Chester, Delaware and Philadelphia counties. The bank's common stock is traded on NASDAQ over the counter under the symbol EFSB.

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#90297p8927 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

GALVESTON, Texas (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - American Indemnity Financial Corporation, (NASDAQ: AIFC) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on its common stock of two cents per share payable November 15, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 8 1990, and announced 1990 third quarter and nine months financial results on a preliminary and unaudited basis.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $2,092,436 or $1.08 per share, compared with a net loss of $614,522 or 32 cents per share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $1,223,801 or 64 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $3,459,814 or $1.80 per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

American Indemnity Financial Corporation is the parent corporation of American Indemnity Company, American Fire and Indemnity Company, Texas General Indemnity Company and American Computing Company, all of Galveston.

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ARDMORE, OK. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Noble Affiliates, Inc. (NYSE: NBL) today reported net income of $5,660,000, or 13 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990, more than double its net income of $2,406,000, or 5 cents per share, in the same period a year ago.

Revenues for the 1990 third quarter were $54,173,000, up 15 percent from $47,267,000 in the previous year's third quarter.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $17,875,000, or 41 cents per share, on revenues of $166,860,000, compared with net income of $29,638,000, or 68 cents per share, on revenues of $160,971,000, in the first nine months of 1989. Net income in the first nine months of 1989 included a credit of $8,825,000, or 20 cents per share, as a result of the company's adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 96, "Accounting for Income Taxes."

Robert Kelley, president and chief executive officer of Noble, credited the third quarter operating gains primarily to increases in oil production and prices, which were offset in part by a drop in gas production and prices.

During the 1990 third quarter, oil production averaged 12,836 barrels per day, 37 percent above the 9,345 average barrels per day recorded during the same period of 1989. Prices received during the 1990 period averaged $22.59 per barrel, up 29 percent from the average of $17.52 in 1989's third quarter.

Gas production in the 1990 third quarter averaged 131.7 million cubic feet per day, which represented a drop of nine percent from 1989's third quarter average of 144.5 million cubic feet per day. Gas prices also fell by 21 percent, from an average of $2.19 per thousand cubic feet in the 1989 third quarter to $1.74 per thousand cubic feet in the 1990 third quarter.

Noble Affiliates, Inc. is an independent energy company with exploration and production operations throughout major basins in the United States, including

the Gulf of Mexico and offshore California, as well as foreign operations primarily in Canada, Tunisia and Indonesia. Its common stock is listed on the NYSE under the symbol "NBL."

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LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - LG&E Energy Corp. (NYSE: LGE) earned $1.49 per share of common stock for the quarter ended September 30, 1990, compared with $1.45 per share for the comparable quarter of 1989. Earnings per share for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 were $3.86 per share, compared with $3.21 for the same period last year. For the year ended September 30, 1990, earnings per share were also $3.86, compared with $3.61 for the year ended September 30, 1989.

The four-cent increase in earnings per share for the quarter ended September 30, 1990, compared with the same period of 1989, is primarily attributable to increased electric sales. Revenues from sales to other utilities were a record $14.1 million for the quarter, compared with $9.6 million for the quarter ended September 30, 1989. In addition, hot weather during the period boosted electric sales for the quarter.

Revenues for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 1990 were $187.2 million and $529.3 million respectively, compared with $176.1 million and $518.7 million for the same periods ended September 30, 1989. For the year ended September 30, 1990, revenues were $697.6 million, compared with $676.0 million for the year ended September 30, 1989.

Louisville Gas and Electric Company also changed its accounting method as of January 1, 1990, to more closely match revenues with expenses by recording revenues in the month that the service is rendered. As a result of this change in accounting, a one-time adjustment to earnings of 86 cents per share has been recorded for the year.

LG&E ENERGY CORP. AND SUBSIDIARY
STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Thousands of $ Except Per Share Data)

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,		9 Months Ended Sept. 30,		12 Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989
OPERATING REVENUES						
Electric	$169,301	$158,698	$412,161	$386,222	$527,389	$494,276
Gas	17,894	17,366	117,133	132,514	170,166	181,684
Total Operating revenues						

(Note a)	$187,195	$176,064	$529,294	$518,736	$697,555	$675,960
NET OPERATING INCOME	$ 47,375	$ 45,540	$110,411	$112,207	$125,764	$134,451
OTHER INCOME AND DEDUCTIONS	(20)	(64)	(221)	(249)	(300)	(157)
INCOME BEFORE FIXED CHARGES	$ 47,355	$ 45,476	$110,190	$111,958	$125,464	$134,294
INTEREST CHARGES AND PREFERRED DIVIDENDS OF SUBSIDIARY	15,601	15,085	46,667	45,243	62,030	59,485
INCOME BEFORE CUMULATIVE EFFECT OF A CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE	$ 31,754	$ 30,391	$ 63,523	$ 66,715	$ 63,434	$ 74,809
CUMULATIVE EFFECT AT DECEMBER 31, 1989 OF RECORDED UNBILLED REVENUES (NET OF INCOME TAXES OF $11,555)			18,236		18,236	
NET INCOME AVAILABLE FOR COMMON STOCK	$ 31,754	$ 30,391	$ 81,759	$ 66,715	$ 81,670	$ 74,809
AVERAGE COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING	21,282	20,897	21,188	20,795	21,142	20,742

Note a: Electric revenues and power purchased expenses for the prior periods have been adjusted to show the reclassification of interchange sales to electric revenues. In prior periods, interchange sales were recorded as a credit to power purchased and interchanged.

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OKLAHOMA CITY (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Fleming Companies, Inc. (NYSE: FLM) reported today that net earnings increased 21.8 percent for the third quarter which ended Oct. 6. The company earned $21.7 million, compared with $17.8 million for the third quarter of 1989.

Fully diluted earnings per share showed an 18.2 percent increase, reaching 65 cents per share compared with 55 cents for the same period in 1989. Sales were essentially flat at $2.76 billion versus $2.77 billion a year ago, a decrease of .4 percent.

For the year to date, 40 weeks ended Oct. 6, net earnings increased 19.1 percent to $70.6 million, compared with $59.2 million for three quarters of 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share improved 15.8 percent to $2.13, compared with $1.84 a year ago. Sales were $9.01 billion, a 1.8 percent decrease from the previous year.

"Fleming's earnings performance during the third quarter was very gratifying," said Dean Werries, chairman and chief executive officer. "Productivity improvement, stringent cost control and disposition of underperforming assets were instrumental in the company's progress."

Within Fleming's distribution system, productivity as measured in tons per hour was up 7.2 percent in the third quarter and 6.7 percent for the full year. Selling, administrative and interest expenses have been reduced substantially and are running well below 1989.

Although sales decreased slightly during the quarter, Werries anticipates an increase in the fourth quarter. Fleming has added more than $600 million in new business, including 117 supermarkets in Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas, and most of that will be reflected in fourth quarter sales.

Affiliated retailers served by Fleming have opened 91 stores this year, representing 2.8 million square feet of new retail space. In addition, there are 57 stores under construction totaling 2.3 million square feet.

Increased sales of perishables such as fresh produce, meats and dairy products also contributed to the improved earnings performance, Werries said. "Perishables have become increasingly important to consumers and retailers, and we have expanded our facilities and product lines accordingly. As a result, our perishables mix has risen to 39 percent of sales compared with 37 percent a year ago."

Fleming is the nation's largest wholesale food distributor, serving more than 5,000 stores in 36 states from coast to coast.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that Eco Corporation of Mississauga, Ontario, Canada, the third Canadian company to list this year, began trading 4,671,865 common shares today. Eco is a

leading global environmental products and consulting services company that produces and markets products such as photodegradable resins, waste solutions and heavy metal recovery systems through joint ventures and licensees. The company also trades on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Trading under ticker symbol "ECG," the common stock opened on 500 shares at 3-7/8.

Eco invents, tests, manufactures and markets products that provide solutions to environmental problems such as household waste management control, photodegradable and photo-controlled release resins, sorbents, and metal recovery systems.

The company's environmental products include its Green Cone(R) food waste composter that is marketed in Canada by Rubbermaid Industries Canada, Inc.; in the United Kingdom and Ireland, and soon to be marketed in the United States.

As a part of the EcoSystem, the Green Cone is a backyard food, organic and garden waste digester for single-family residential use that transforms the residue into fertile garden compost, reducing the amount of waste going to landfill sites.

Eco's other environmental products include photodegradable Ecolyte(R) resins to address single use container and plastic packaging litter problems, and controlled release resins that are modified for geographic location and use; an oil spill absorbent capable of controlling both new and existing oil spills; and a metal recovery system used by the metal finishing industry to remove toxic metals from effluents.

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ST. LOUIS, MO (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Anheuser-Busch Companies, Inc. (NYSE: BUD), achieved record sales and earnings during the third quarter and first nine months of 1990, it was announced today by August A. Busch III, chairman of the board and president.

The company's continued excellent performance is due primarily to the ongoing growth of Anheuser-Busch, Inc., the company's brewing subsidiary, and higher profitability of Campbell Taggart, Inc., and Metal Container Corporation.

Financial results for the third quarter of 1990 include the following: Gross sales of $3.12 billion, an increase of 15.5 percent over gross sales of $2.70 billion for the third quarter of 1989.

Net income of $260.7 million, an increase of 9.4 percent compared with $238.3

million for the same period a year ago.

Fully diluted earnings per share of 91 cents, an increase of 9.6 percent, compared with 83 cents for the third quarter of 1989.

Financial results for the first nine months of 1990 include: Gross sales of $8.71 billion, an increase of 11.9 percent over gross sales of $7.79 billion for the first nine months of 1989.

Net income of $700.7 million, an increase of 9.6 percent compared with $639.1 million for the same period a year ago.

Fully diluted earnings per share of $2.45, an increase of 9.9 percent, compared with $2.23 for the first nine months of 1989.

The 1990 results reflect the Dec. 1, 1989, acquisition of Sea World. Fully diluted earnings per share assume the conversion of the company's 8 percent convertible debentures due 1996.

Anheuser-Busch, Inc., reported record beer volume sales during the third quarter and first nine months of 1990. Sales to wholesalers were 22.9 million barrels for the third quarter and 65.4 million barrels for the first nine months, an increase of 7.1 percent and 4.8 percent, respectively, over the comparable periods of 1989. The company's third quarter volume gain of 1,523,000 barrels is the highest in the industry and widens the company's lead over its competitors.

For the first nine months of 1990, Anheuser-Busch beer sales accounted for 43.0 percent of total brewing industry sales (including imports), according to estimates from the Beer Institute. This market share compares with 41.9 percent for the first nine months of 1989.

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WILMINGTON, DE. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) today declared a fourth quarter common stock dividend of 42 cents per share payable Dec. 14 to stockholders of record Nov. 15.

This dividend represents an increase of 5 percent over the 40 cents paid in the third quarter. This will bring the full year dividend to $1.62 which is 12 percent higher than the $1.45 paid in 1989.

Board Chairman Edgar S. Woolard Jr. said, "This is Du Pont's sixth dividend increase in the last five years and is in line with our policy of frequent

increases which contribute toward maximizing shareholder value."

Regular quarterly dividends of $1.12-1/2 per share on the $4.50 series preferred stock and 87-1/2 cents per share on the $3.50 series preferred stock also were declared, both payable Jan. 25, 1991, to stockholders of record Jan. 10, 1991.

CONTACT: Clinton C. Archer of Du Pont, 302-774-6661

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VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Battery One-Stop Inc. (Alberta Stock Exchange: BTS; NASDAQ: BATTF), specialty retailer of over 1,000 types of batteries and battery powered electronic products, announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Battery One-Stop Ltd., a New York corporation, is arranging a secured loan in the amount of U.S. $1,450,000 with various shareholders of Battery One-Stop or their affiliates, for the purpose of financing Christmas season inventory. The amount of U.S. $850,000 has been advanced to date. The aforesaid loans are repayable in April, 1991, and are secured by the assets of Battery One-Stop Ltd. and guaranteed by Battery One-Stop.

Battery One-Stop also announced that Battery One-Stop Ltd. is arranging for a rescheduling of the payment of the U.S. $2,000,000 line of credit established with The Dollar Savings & Trust Co., of Youngstown, Ohio, until April, 1991.

Battery One-Stop is currently seeking suitable equity financing to retire the current outstanding indebtedness of Battery One-Stop Ltd. and to finance the opening of an additional 20 stores during the calendar year ending Dec. 31, 1990.

The Alberta Stock Exchange has neither approved nor disapproved the contents of this press release. For further information, please contact Edward Geric, vice president, finance, Battery One-Stop Inc., 200, 2046 Oak Bay Avenue, Victoria, British Columbia, V8R 1E4, 604-598-2222.

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MELVILLE, N.Y. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Arrow Electronics, Inc. (NYSE: ARW) reported strong gains in both earnings and sales for the third quarter and the nine months ended Sept. 30. In addition, September's record daily shipment rate, the highest for any month in the company's history, contributed to an advance in third quarter sales over sales in the immediately preceding quarter defying the normal seasonal pattern.

Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30 was $2.7 million ($.13 per common share), compared with a loss of $825,000 ($.18 per common share) in last year's third quarter. Third quarter sales of $246 million advanced 11 percent over last year's third quarter sales of $222 million and surpassed second quarter 1990 sales by $4 million.

The company recorded its highest quarterly operating income in two years, reflecting both higher sales and a significant decrease in operating expenses as a percentage of sales, which declined to 17.3 percent from 18.9 percent in the year-earlier quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net income increased more than 400 percent to $8.2 million ($.37 per common share) on sales of $735 million, compared with net income of $1.5 million (for a loss of $.22 per common share after deducting preferred stock dividends) on sales of $686 million in the year-earlier period.

Arrow Electronics is one of the world's two largest distributors of electronic components, systems, and related products. In addition to its North American distributor network Arrow is actively engaged in expanding its role in European electronics distribution.

CONTACT: Robert E. Klatell, senior vice president of Arrow Electronics, Inc., 516-391-1300

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LEXINGTON, Mass. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Dennis J. Picard was today elected chairman and CEO of Raytheon Company (NYSE: RTN), effective March 1, 1991.

He will succeed Thomas L. Phillips, 66, who retires effective that date after 42 years with the company. Phillips has been the chief executive officer for the last 22 years.

Picard, 58, has been president of Raytheon since Aug. 1, 1989. Prior to that he was senior vice president and general manager of the Missile Systems Division, Raytheon's largest division.

Named to succeed Picard as president, effective March 1, 1991, is Max E. Bleck president of Beech Aircraft Corporation, Raytheon's largest subsidiary. Bleck, 63, has been president of Beech Aircraft since May 1987. In addition, Bleck was elected to the Raytheon board of directors effective immediately.

In announcing these elections by the board of directors, Phillips said, "These steps will complete the transition of senior management at Raytheon. Dennis Picard will become CEO after leading our efforts to become an acknowledged

leader in defense electronics. Max Bleck will assume the presidency after turning Beech Aircraft Corporation around to a steady growth in profitability. Both men have outstanding leadership qualities with a strong business acumen. Raytheon Company will be in good hands."

The board noted that Bleck would be expected to serve a minimum of five years and go beyond the normal retirement age of 65. He will relocate from Kansas to Massachusetts during a transition period in the next four months.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Joslyn Corp. (NASDAQ: JOSL) announced today that net earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $2,402,000 or $.51 per share compared to $2,380,000 or $.50 per share in 1989. Operating income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased to $4,934,000 from $4,819,000 and operating income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased to $15,626,000 from $11,773,000. Net income for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990 was $7,594,000 compared to $10,460,000 in 1989. The 1989 results included a $12,000,000 payment received from settlement of a patent infringement lawsuit.

JOSLYN CORP.

	Quarter Ended 9-30		Nine Months Ended 9-30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$48,812,000	$51,168,000	$149,245,000	$165,896,000
Operating income from business segments	4,934,000	4,819,000	15,626,000	11,773,000
Income before taxes	3,852,000	3,755,000	12,169,000	17,210,000
Income taxes	1,450,000	1,375,000	4,575,000	6,750,000
Net income	2,402,000	2,380,000	7,594,000	10,460,000
Net income per share	$.51	$.50	$1.61	$2.20
Average number of common shares outstanding	4,727,000	4,736,000	4,727,000	4,748,000

At its meeting today, the board of directors of Joslyn Corp. declared the regular quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share, payable Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

Joslyn Corp., now in its 88th year, providers diversified products and services primarily to the electric utility, telecommunications, defense and industrial markets. Joslyn also manufactures equipment for the following industries: aerospace, building construction and petrochemical. It has 1,950 employees and operates facilities in the United States and Canada. Joslyn has

declared 299 dividends and 210 consecutive dividends on its common stock. Shares are traded over the counter.

CONTACT: L.G. Wolski of Joslyn, 312-454-2900.

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JACKSON, MS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - First Mississippi Corporation (NYSE: FRM) reported net earnings of $4.3 million or $.22 per share for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, up from $0.9 million or $.05 per share first quarter fiscal 1990. The increase was due to higher operating profits in fertilizer and oil and gas.

Pretax operating profits for the first quarter were $11.3 million on sales of $134.9 million, up from $5.5 million on sales of $102.5 million last year. Better fertilizer and oil and gas results more than offset lower profits in chemicals, gold and coal.

Fertilizer pretax operating profits were $4.0 million, up from a loss of $1.5 million last year. The improvement was due to higher ammonia and urea prices and increased volume.

Oil and gas pretax operating profits were $2.7 million, up from $1.0 million last year on higher volume of captive production and higher prices for oil, plant products and sulphur.

Pretax operating profits for chemicals were $5.0 million versus $5.9 million last year. Gold pretax operating profits for the quarter were $0.9 million, down from $1.2 million last year. Coal pretax operating profits were $0.1 million versus $0.2 million last year.

Other - Technology and New Ventures had a pretax operating loss of $1.4 million compared with a loss of $1.2 million for the same quarter last year.

Corporate expenses, interest expense, taxes and other income and expenses were a net expense of $7.0 million versus $4.7 million last year. The increase was due to higher income taxes and net interest expense.

First Mississippi Corporation, headquartered in Jackson, is a resource and technology company with established operations in chemicals, fertilizers, energy and gold, and emerging operations in technology-based ventures.

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-30- 2072

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - McGuire, Woods, Battle & Boothe announced today that Robert L. Burrus, Jr. is the newly elected chairman of the firm's executive committee. The two new members added to the executive committee were Anne M. Whittemore and Leigh B. Middleditch, Jr.

Burrus joined the firm in 1958, became a partner in 1963 and headed its business practice for many years. He presently serves as chairman of the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia. He is a director with Heilig-Meyers, S & K Famous Brands, Inc., Circuit City Foundation, Best Products Company, Inc., and Riverton Investment Corp.

Whittemore has been elected chairman of the Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve Bank effective January 1, 1991. She joined the firm in 1971 and became partner in 1977. Whittemore graduated from Yale Law School and practices in commercial and corporate litigation out of the firm's Richmond office.

Middleditch just completed a term as president of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce and practices business and tax law out of the firm's Charlottesville office. He joined the firm in 1959 and became a partner in 1963. Middleditch graduated from the University of Virginia School of Law.

McGuire, Woods, Battle and Boothe is a full service law firm of over 325 lawyers with offices in Alexandria, Charlottesville, Norfolk, Richmond, Tysons Corner, Williamsburg, and Washington, D.C.

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-30- 1698

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BLOOMSBURY, N.J. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Wedco Technology Inc. (AMEX: WED), a provider of custom material processing services and manufacturer of related machinery for the plastics industry, today announced its operating results for the six- and three-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990

WEDCO TECHNOLOGY INC.

(In thousands, except per-share amounts) Periods ended

	Six months			Three months Sept. 30		
	1990	1989	Pct. change	1990	1989	Pct. change
Net revenues	$13,465	$10,885	23.7	$7,030	$5,200	35.2
Operating income	1,655	1,584	4.5	934	559	67.1
Income before income taxes	719	1,784	(59.7)	452	963	(53.1)
Net income	476	1,202	(60.4)	297	678	(56.2)
Net income per common share	$0.16	$0.38		$0.10	$0.22	
Average shares						

outstanding	3,064	3,172	3,064	3,087

In commenting on these results, William E. Willoughby, chairman and president, stated, "We are pleased with our improved sales and operating income figures which reflect continued growth in our core business. Net income is off when compared with the prior period results, due primarily to the company reporting a substantial favorable lawsuit settlement in last year's second quarter and increased interest costs associated with financing the four new plants that came on line this year, which are not yet operating at capacity."

Wedco further announced that it intends to purchase company stock in accordance with its previously announced Stock Repurchase Program. Under this program, the company is authorized to repurchase up to 146,000 shares of its common stock in the open market.

CONTACT: Dudley M. Harman, vice president, or Nicholas Ruitenberg, chief financial officer, of Wedco Technology, 908-479-4181

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TECUMSEH, MI (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Following is the text of the report to shareholders of Tecumseh Products Company (NASDAQ: TECU) for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990:

To Our Shareholders: As we announced last month, our 1990 results include a special third-quarter charge to provide for estimated costs associated with clean up of certain PCB contamination of the Sheboygan River and Harbor Superfund site in Wisconsin. This special charge of $30 million (equivalent to $19.2 million or $3.51 per share after income taxes) has resulted in a third quarter loss and has significantly impacted nine month results as well. In the absence of this special charge, net income in the third quarter of 1990 would have been $4.5 million or $.81 per share as compared with net income of $16.7 million or $3.05 per share in the third quarter of 1989. Similarly, nine month net income this year would have been $31.5 million or $5.75 per share vs. net income of $63.9 million or $11.68 per share in the same period of 1989.

Our U.S. compressor business has been hurt by a very poor season for air conditioning products as well as exceptionally high industry inventories. Our production schedules were substantially curtailed in the third quarter and will remain at low levels through at least the end of the year.

We are pleased to report that our Brazilian subsidiary, SICOM, returned to modest profitability in the third quarter after having incurred substantial losses in the first half of the year. Nonetheless, the fundamental political and economic changes being forged in Brazil make it unlikely in the foreseeable future that SICOM will return to the high levels of profitability

enjoyed in 1989.

We expect to see fourth quarter softness in our European manufacturing operations as the result of waning demand and price pressures relating to the weakness of the U.S. dollar. As we expect no fundamental change in the U.S. and Brazilian operations, the fourth quarter will be a particularly difficult one.

We are proceeding on schedule with the tooling of our new SF and AW high efficiency compressors and continue to believe that we are well postured to serve the rapidly changing needs of our industry as some degree of normalcy returns to the marketplace.

TECUMSEH PRODUCTS COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY OF INCOME
(Dollars in millions except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$268.8	$314.9	$1,043.6	$1,161.5
Income (loss) before taxes	($21.0)	$27.1	$24.0	$103.5
Income tax expense (benefit)	(6.3)	10.4	11.7	39.6
Net income (loss)	($14.7)	$16.7	$12.3	$63.9
Earnings (loss) per share	($2.70)	$3.05	$2.24	$11.68

NOTE: The 1990 third quarter results include a nonrecurring provision for environmental clean up of $19.2 million after income taxes, or $3.51 per share.

CONTACT: John H. Foss of Tecumseh Products Company, 517-423-8417.

-30- 3440

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter-Wallace, Inc. (NYSE: CAR) today announced operating results for the second quarter and first half ended Sept. 30, 1990.

CARTER-WALLACE, INC.
SUMMARY OF OPERATING RESULTS

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Sales	$158,052,000	$137,638,000
Earnings before taxes	22,662,000	21,763,000
Income taxes	7,036,000	7,191,000
Net earnings	15,626,000	14,572,000
Earnings per share	1.01	.96
Average shares outstanding	15,428,000	15,167,000
Six months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Sales	$311,453,000	$276,056,000

Earnings before taxes	44,198,000	42,628,000
Income taxes	14,143,000	14,494,000
Net earnings	30,055,000	28,134,000
Earnings per share	1.95	1.85
Average shares outstanding	15,385,000	15,171,000

Carter-Wallace, Inc. markets toiletries, proprietary drugs, pharmaceuticals, diagnostic specialties and pet products.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Piedmont Mining Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: PIED) reported net income of $302,489, or $0.02 per share in the third quarter ended September 30, 1990, compared with a loss of $411,925, or $0.03 per share in the third quarter of 1989. This marks Piedmont's fourth consecutive profitable quarter. Net sales increased to a record $2,504,177 in the third quarter, compared with $1,058,326 in the same period last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, Piedmont reported record net income of $944,159, or $0.07 per share, compared with a loss of $399,583 in the first nine months of 1989. Net sales also increased to a record $6,948,810, compared with $3,953,539 in the first nine months of 1989. Piedmont received an average of $382 per ounce of gold sold in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $363 per ounce in the second quarter and $368 per ounce in the third quarter of 1989. Net cash provided by operating activities increased to $2,374,518 in the first nine months, compared with $213,546 in the same period last year.

Gold production more than doubled in the third quarter to 6,296 ounces, compared with 3,074 ounces in the third quarter of 1989. Gold production in the first nine months totalled a record 18,067 ounces, compared with 11,005 ounces in the first nine months of 1989. Piedmont processed and stacked 334,170 tons of mineralized rock during the first nine months with an average AA (atomic absorption) grade of 0.054 ounces of gold per ton containing a recoverable 18,045 ounces of gold, compared with 284,228 tons with an average AA grade of 0.050 ounces per ton in the same period last year.

"In the third quarter we set new production and net sales records for Piedmont " said Robert M. Shields, Jr., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "But the most encouraging development for our future has been the dramatic increase in our mineral inventory during the first nine months of 1990 and the positive results of the preliminary feasibility study reported in our press release on September 28."

Last month Piedmont reported that its proven and probable mineral inventory

now totals 14,485,000 tons with an average grade of 0.048 ounces of gold per ton containing a total of 700,000 ounces of gold. A preliminary feasibility study by American Mine Services, Inc. of Aurora, Colorado, has shown that under one scenario 6,404,000 tons with an average grade of 0.063 ounces per ton could be mined from several open pits with an average strip ratio of 3.5 to 1 yielding about 60,000 ounces per year for more than 6 years and a cash flow of about $45,000,000 for the project at a gold price of $400 per ounce. Additional drilling, metallurgical testing and engineering studies will be needed. Piedmont is studying financing alternatives to evaluate and develop the potential of the mineral inventory at the Haile property. These alternatives may include a private placement of new equity capital, a joint venture or business combination with another mining company.

Ned Goodman announced that he has substantially retired from his activities at Corona Corporation to pursue other interests. Accordingly, he has resigned most of his outside directorships and has resigned from Piedmont's Board of Directors as well.

Piedmont is engaged in exploration, mining and production of gold in the southeastern United States. Piedmont pioneered the resumption of gold mining in the Southeast in 1985 at its Haile Gold Mine near Kershaw, South Carolina. Piedmont's wholly-owned subsidiary, Mineral Mining Company, Inc., is also engaged in mining and processing white, fine-grained Mineralite(R) mica at its facility near the Haile Mine.

CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
NET SALES	$2,504,177	$1,058,326	$6,948,810	$3,953,539
COST OF SALES:				
Mine operating costs	1,132,247	763,580	3,191,015	2,542,277
Depreciation and amortization	531,692	290,056	1,347,360	876,774
	1,663,939	1,053,636	4,538,375	3,419,051
GROSS PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS	840,238	4,690	2,410,435	534,488
OTHER (INCOME) EXPENSES:				
General and administrative	333,270	196,738	864,016	564,482
Exploration	127,338	234,736	518,251	421,121
Other expense (income)	67,141	(14,859)	74,009	(51,532)
	527,749	416,615	1,456,276	934,071
NET INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES AND EXTRAORDINARY ITEM	312,489	(411,925)	954,159	(399,583)
Provision for federal				

and state income taxes	120,000	--	370,000	
INCOME BEFORE EXTRAORDINARY ITEM	192,489	(411,925)	584,159	(399,583)
Extraordinary item - reduction of federal and state income taxes arising from utilization of operating loss carryforwards	110,000		360,000	
NET INCOME	$302,489	$(411,925)	$ 944,159	$(399,583)
NET INCOME PER COMMON SHARE:				
Income before extraordinary item	$ .01	$ (.03)	$ .04	$ (.03)
Extraordinary item	.01	--	.03	--
PER COMMON SHARE	$ .02	$ (.03)	$ .07	$ (.03)
CASH DIVIDENDS PER SHARE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING	14,300,913	12,435,431	14,295,070	11,590,971
BALANCE SHEET DATA (at end of period)				
Working Capital	$ 778,130	$2,959,119		
Total Assets	12,516,676	9,423,221		
Shareholders' Equity	9,600,428	8,648,994		

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - National Intergroup Inc. (NYSE: NII) today reported a net loss for the second quarter of fiscal year 1991 of $1.0 million or $0.11 per share after preferred dividends, compared to net income of $8.6 million, or $0.33 per common share after preferred dividends, in the second quarter last year.

The loss in the current quarter is mainly the result of NII's $4.2 million settlement with certain shareholders relating to expenses incurred during recent consent solicitation and proxy contests.

NII's net loss in the first half of fiscal year 1991 totaled $282.7 million, or $13.12 per share, compared to net income of $21.6 million, or $0.87 per share, during the first six months last year. As previously announced, reserves totaling $239.5 million established in the first quarter to cover anticipated losses on the sale of NII's Ben Franklin and Permian Corp. subsidiaries, a $26.7 million charge associated with the closing of its Pittsburgh office, and a $14.8 million non-recurring charge reflecting the market value of the preferred stock and expenses related to its National Steel

transaction, principally affected reported results for the first half of the year. The $4.2 million consent solicitation and proxy contest settlement recorded in the second quarter also impacted six-month results. The losses were partially offset by a $12.0 million gain on the sale of the company's Genix Enterprises Inc. subsidiary.

FoxMeyer Drug Co.: FoxMeyer Drug Co.'s operating income for the second quarter of fiscal 1991, before goodwill, totaled $8.5 million on sales of $700.8 million, while operating income for the six months totaled $18.5 million on sales of $1.4 billion. In the comparable periods of the previous fiscal year, operating income at FoxMeyer Drug totaled $8.9 million and $16.0 million, on sales of $561.6 million and $1.1 billion.

Operating profits in the quarter were adversely affected by shifts in customer mix and higher expenses for systems development, litigation settlements, advertising and accident claims. However, operating profits for the six-month period increased by 15.3 percent as a result of strong independent and institutional sales along with significant increases in chain store sales from existing and newly added accounts.

Equity Investment in National Steel Corp.: As a result of the recent transaction with NKK, NII's equity investment in National Steel Corp. (NSC) resulted in net income of $2.6 million, vs. net income of $6.3 million in the second quarter last year. For the first half of fiscal 1991, NII's equity investment in NSC generated a net loss of $9.1 million, vs. net income of $22.5 million in the same period last year. The second quarter results relating to NII's equity investment in NSC include a full quarter of net preferred income and the six-month results include a $14.8 million loss on the exchange by NII of 20 percent of its common stock interest in NSC for preferred stock. The three- and six-month results also reflect reduced equity earnings in NSC due to a smaller common ownership by the company. The above results also include the company's share of NSC's extraordinary gains from utilization of tax net operating loss carryforwards.

Discontinued Operations: NII recorded losses from discontinued operations for the second quarter and six months of fiscal 1991 totaling $0.8 million and $234.0 million, respectively, vs. income of $4.6 million and $10.4 million in the previous fiscal year's comparable periods. Discontinued operations include the results of Ben Franklin Stores Inc., The Permian Corp. (and the company's interest in Permian Partners, L.P.), and the results of Genix Enterprises Inc. and National Aluminum Corp. The prior year's results of operations have been restated to reflect these operations as discontinued.

NII is currently pursuing the sale of Ben Franklin and is conducting a tender offer for the publicly-held preference units of Permian Partners, L.P., so that it may dispose of the recombined Permian operations. Genix was sold by the company in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 and the operations of National Aluminum were disposed of during fiscal 1990.

The consolidated income statement and summarized balance sheet data follow.

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-30- 4594

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HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Stewart Information Services Corp. (NASDAQ: SISC) earned $1.2 million, or 29 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1990 compared to $1.4 million, or 33 cents in the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, Stewart earned $0.5 million, or 12 cents per share, compared to a loss of $1.4 million, or 35 cents per share, for the same period last year. Last year's results included a second quarter after-tax gain of $1.1 million on the sale of municipal bonds.

Orders have been in a downward trend, although they increased slightly (less than 1 percent) in the third quarter of 1990 over the same period a year ago. Orders were down 9 percent for the first 15 working days in October.

Although real estate activity in several of the company's markets is improving the overall outlook for real estate, as seen by most economists, is for a downturn for the rest of this year and 1991. The crisis in Kuwait, the decline in consumer confidence, increasing inflation and the tightening of real estate loans are clouds on the future.

The company believes it will be profitable for the current year and for next year. However, the company may not earn sufficient profits to pay its dividends at the current rate, while at the same time reinvesting the funds necessary for future growth.

Stewart's primary business is title insurance. The company issues policies on homes and other real property in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Canada through over 2,650 issuing locations. In issuing a policy, and as one process, the title is first searched, examined and then closed. Stewart's customers include homebuyers and sellers, attorneys, builders, developers, lenders and real estate brokers. The company also sells computer-related services and information to the real estate industry. Additionally, the company produces photogrammetric engineering products and geographic information systems for government and private entities, both domestic and foreign.

STEWART INFORMATION SERVICES CORPORATION
Summary of Operations
Three months ended
Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
Earnings per share	$0.29	$0.33

Net Income	$1,171,000	$1,356,000
Revenues	$54,145,000	$50,869,000
Average shares outstanding	4,064,000	4,064,000

	Nine months ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Earnings (loss) per share	$0.12	$(0.35)(i)
Net Income (loss)	$493,000	$(1,423,000)(i)
Revenues	$158,973,000	$139,200,000
Average shares outstanding	4,064,000	4,064,000

(i) Includes an after-tax gain on sale of municipal bonds of $1,063,000, or 26 cents per share, in the second quarter of 1989.

CONTACT: Max Crisp of Stewart Information Services Corp., 713-871-1100

-30- 3446

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - L.N. Short Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Mine Safety Appliances Co. (NASDAQ: MNES), announced today that consolidated sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $115,259,000, compared to $100,247,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $345,392,000, compared to $304,595,000 for the same period in 1989. The 1990 sales are the highest third quarter and nine-months' sales in the company's history.

Third quarter 1990 earnings were $6,550,000 or $1.01 per share as compared to third quarter 1989 earnings of $6,026,000 or $.93 per share. This marks record third quarter earnings and the 12th consecutive quarter where earnings have exceeded the same quarter of the previous year. Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $20,844,000, or $3.20 per share as compared to $19,278,000, or $2.94 per share in 1989.

The sales increases are attributed to increased shipments of commercial products in the United States and international markets, along with higher shipments under U.S. government contracts. r?nings in the United States have increased from higher sales volumes. International earnings are also higher than in 1989, even though they have been adversely affected by start-up costs of a joint venture in Germany.

The results from operations for the three-month and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30 are as follows:

(Note: Amounts in thousands, except earnings per share and shares outstanding.)

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO.

Period	Three Months		Nine Months	
Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$115,259	$100,247	$345,392	$304,595
Income before income taxes	11,703	10,180	36,139	32,203
Taxes on income	5,153	4,154	15,295	12,925
Net income	6,550	6,026	20,844	19,278
Earnings per share	$1.01	$0.93	$3.20	$2.94
Average number of common shares outstanding			6,493,827	6,551,602

At its meeting today, the board of directors declared a fourth quarter dividend of 22 cents per share on common stock, payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 16, 1990. The board also declared a dividend of 56-1/4 cents per share on preferred stock, payable Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 9, 1990.

CONTACT: Robert Aiello of Ketchum Public Relations, 412-456-3853, for Mine Safety Appliances Co..

-30- 2783
#90297p8968 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - AMP Incorporated (NYSE: AMP) today reported the following:

Third Quarter Sales up 10 percent to $750 million Earnings up 6 percent to 68 cents/share from year-earlier 64 cents/share

Nine Months Sales up 7 percent to record $2.27 billion Earnings up 5 percent to $2.07/share Backlog Up $12 million during quarter to record $521 million Up from $470 million one year ago Employment -- Down 100 during quarter to 24,700 Capital Expenditures -- Record $242 million. Should reach $350 million for year compared to $252 million in 1989 and $220 million in 1988

Declares regular quarterly dividend of 34 cents/share stock repurchase program continues.

Third quarter sales of $750 million, up 10 percent year-to-year, were down slightly from the $752 million in the second quarter and the record $764 million in the first quarter of this year. The usual summer seasonal softening in our international sales did occur, but was largely offset by the effect of the recent weakening of the U.S. dollar against other major currencies and the recovery of our Brazilian sales from a sharp drop in the second quarter when the new government economic program began there.

U.S. sales have held steady during the first three quarters. Down 6 percent year-to-year for the first half, they were down only 4 percent for the first

nine months because the year-to-year comparison becomes more favorable last year sales declined each quarter from their high in the first quarter. For the entire year 1990, we expect good sales growth in the United States in our distributor and networking markets; modest growth in the automotive market; flat in aerospace/military and industrial/commercial electronics; and a small decline in sales to our computer/office equipment and consumer goods markets.

International sales were up 12 percent in local currencies and up 17 percent in U.S. dollars for the first nine months. The changes in exchange rates during the past year have added $55 million to international sales so far this year. For the first nine months, European sales were up 10 percent in local currency terms and 24 percent in U.S. dollar terms, while Asia/Pacific sales were up 16 percent in local currencies and 8 percent in U.S. dollars. Salesr?owth continues to be broad based with some growth in nearly all countries and market categories. Best growth continues to be in the automotive and networking markets. Slowest growth is in the computer/office equipment sector which has been affected somewhat by the two year slowdown in that market in the United States.

Earnings rose to 68 cents/share from 64 cents/share in the second quarter, but were below the 75 cents/share in the first quarter. The worldwide pre-tax profit margin improved to 15.5 percent in the third quarter from 14.6 percent in the second quarter partly due to a return to profitability in Brazil, but was still below the 16.8 percent first quarter and the 16.3 percent for full year 1989.

Harrisburg-based AMP Incorporated is the world's leading producer of electrical/electronic connection devices. It has 24,700 employees in nearly 160 facilities in the United States and 27 other countries. AMP stock is listed on the New York, Pacific and other regional stock exchanges (Symbol "AMP").

CONTACT: William Oakland of AMP Incorporated, 717-780-6371

-30- 3578

#90297p8970 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

WELLESLEY, MA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - EG&G, Inc. (NYSE: EGG) announced that it plans to purchase up to a total of 650,000 shares of its common stock during 1991. The 1991 plan was voted and authorized on Oct. 24, 1990 by the company's board of directors and will be accomplished through periodic purchases on the open market. The shares that EG&G buys next year will be applied to the company's employee stock purchase and stock option plans and other corporate purposes.

The board also voted to increase the company's regular quarterly dividend from 19 cents to 21 cents per share of common stock, equivalent to an annual rate of 84 cents for 1991. This increased dividend is payable on Feb. 8, 1991 to

all shareholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 18, 1991. EG&G has paid cash dividends to its stockholders, without interruption, for 26 years, and has increased its dividends every year since 1974.

EG&G is a Fortune 300 company with annual sales in excess of $1.6 billion. It employs more than 30,000 people in the design and manufacture of laboratory and field-test instruments and electronic and mechanical components for commercial customers worldwide.

EG&G also provides systems engineering, precision component manufacturing, and test-site operating and management services to many agencies and laboratories of the U.S. government. The company's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol EGG.

CONTACT: Deborah S. Lorenz of EG&G, 617-431-4306.

-30- 1691

#90297p8972 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MADRID, SPAIN (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - ENDESA (NYSE: ELE), the major electric utility in Spain, today reported consolidated earnings per share of Pesetas 223.98 ($2.29 per ADR), for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, an 11.2 percent gain over Pesetas 201.48 ($2.06 per ADR) for the same period in 1989. One ADR is equivalent to one common share of ENDESA stock.

Consolidated revenues during the period were Pesetas 429.01 billion ($4.38 billion), up 5.6 percent over Pesetas 406.17 billion ($4.15 billion) for the previous year. High rainfall and low demand growth are the major factors in this increase.

Net debt reduction during the nine months was Pesetas 37.10 billion (378.73 million), equivalent to 5.3 percent of total outstanding debt at the beginning of the year.

Capital expenditures during the period were Pesetas 52.82 billion ($539.10 million), a 19.4 percent increase over the first nine months of 1989.

Consolidated figures are unaudited and calculated in accordance with Spanish GAAP, Conversion into U.S. dollars is based on the Federal Reserve Bank noon buying rate, on Sept. 28, of $1 equals Pasetas 97.97.

CONTACT: Fernando Lario of US Investor Relations office, 212-764-0550, for Endesa

-30- 1416

#90297p8974 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - August A. Busch III, chairman of the board

and president of Anheuser-Busch Companies Inc., (NYSE: BUD) today announced that the Board of Directors had declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 25 cents per share on the outstanding shares of the company's common stock, payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 9, 1990.

Anheuser-Busch Companies Inc., is a diversified corporation whose subsidiaries include the world's largest brewing organization, the country's second largest producer of fresh baked goods and the country's second largest theme park operator. The company also has interests in container manufacturing and recycling, malt and rice production, international brewing and beer marketing, snack foods, international baking, refrigerated and frozen foods, real estate development, major league baseball, stadium ownership, creative services, rail car repair and transportation services, and metalized label printing.

CONTACT: James L. Morice or Stephen D. LeResche, both of Anheuser-Busch, 314-982-1700

-30- 1248

#90297p8976 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, ORE. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Tektronix Inc. (NYSE: TEK) announced today the election of Jerome J. Meyer as president, chief executive officer and director. Meyer comes to Tektronix from Honeywell Inc. in Minneapolis where he has been president of its Industrial Business.

Tektronix chairman Robert Lundeen commented, "We are indeed fortunate to have Jerry Meyer join our company as its chief executive. He has had a distinguished 30-year industrial career in several high technology American companies, is an outstanding personal leader, and brings an optimum balance of business skills and experience to Tektronix. We look forward to welcoming him when he joins us in Beaverton on Nov. 6th."

A native of Minnesota, Meyer, 52, was graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1960 with a BA in mathematics and economics. After a short period at Firestone Tire and Rubber, he joined Sperry Univac in 1961 as a systems designer, rising to vice president and general manager of its commercial minicomputer division in 1978. In 1979 Meyer went with Honeywell as vice president for minicomputers and terminal products and became group vice president of its systems group in 1983. From 1984 to 1986, he served as president and chief operating officer of Varian Associates in Palo Alto, returning to Honeywell in 1986 as a vice president. He served for two years as president and chief executive of Honeywell Bull before being named president of Honeywell's Industrial Business in 1988.

Meyer and his wife, Sandra, were married in 1960 and have three grown children one son and two daughters.

Tektronix Inc. is a leading manufacturer of electronic products and systems in

the areas of test and measurement, computer graphics and communications. Sales in fiscal 1990 totaled $1.4 billion.

CONTACT: Fletcher Chamberlin, 503-627-7147, or Doug Babb, 503-627-7336, both of Tektronix Inc.

-30- 2119

#90297p8981 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Honeywell announced today that Jerome J. Meyer has resigned as president of Honeywell's Industrial business, effective Nov. 6. Meyer is leaving to become president and chief executive officer of Tektronix, Inc. based in Beaverton, Ore.

"We congratulate Jerry on his new appointment at Tektronix, but we are sad to see him leave Honeywell," said James J. Renier, Honeywell chairman and chief executive officer. "Jerry has been a key contributor at Honeywell. We wish him the very best on this new phase of his career."

Meyer joined Honeywell in 1979 and by 1983 had become group vice president of the company's information systems group. From 1984 to mid- 1986, Meyer was president and chief operating officer of Varian Associates Inc. of Palo Alto, Calif. Meyer returned to Honeywell in 1986 as corporate vice president and staff executive, before he became president and chief executive officer of Honeywell Bull 1/8now called Bull HN Information Systems Inc.3/8. Meyer rejoined Honeywell in August 1988 as president of the Industrial business.

Prior to joining Honeywell in 1979, Meyer served in various positions at Sperry Univac.

Tektronix, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of electronic products and systems in the areas of test and measurement, computer graphics and communications. Sales in fiscal 1990 totaled $1.4 billion.

Honeywell is a global controls company that provides products, systems and services for homes and buildings, industry, and aviation and space. The company had 1989 sales of $6.1 billion.

CONTACT: Susan M. Eich for Honeywell Inc., 612-870-6730

-30- 1820

#90297p8982 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - La Quinta Motor Inns Ltd. Partnership (NYSE: LQP) reported improved results for both the three and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the third quarter of 1990, the Partnership reported net earnings of $82,000 or 2 cents per limited partnership unit compared with a net loss of $39,000 or 1 cent per unit in last year's third

quarter. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 the Partnership reported a net loss of $1,075,000 or 27 cents per unit compared with a net loss of $1,373,000 or 34 cents per unit in last year's comparable nine month period.

SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$10,686,000	10,278,000	30,209,000	28,713,000
Operating income	$ 1,820,000	1,660,000	4,085,000	3,727,000
Net earnings (loss)	$ 82,000	(39,000)	(1,075,000)	(1,373,000)
Net earnings (loss) per unit	$ .02	(.01)	(.27)	(.34)
Cash flow available for distribution to unitholders	$ 1,147,000	1,316,000	3,135,000	2,797,000
Cash flow available for distribution per unit	$ .29	.33	.79	.70
Percentage of occupancy	71.5	72.4	69.5	69.2
Average room rate	$ 40.27	38.15	39.37	37.56

La Quinta Motor Inns Limited Partnership owns 31 La Quinta Inns in 15 states. At Sept. 30, 1990 there were 208 La Quinta Inns in operation in 29 states.

CONTACT: Kim Armstrong of La Quinta Motor Inns, 512-366-6030

-30- 1910

#90297p8983 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Harley-Davidson, Inc. (NYSE: HDI) today announced sales and earnings for its third quarter and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter totaled $203.1 million, an increase of $20.6 million or 11.3 percent, over the comparable year-ago quarter. Income from continuing operations and related earnings per share were $7.2 million and $.41, respectively, on 17.8 million shares outstanding, compared to $7.3 million and $.42 on 17.3 million shares in the year-ago quarter. Net income and related earnings per share totaled $6.5 million and $.36 versus $6.3 million and $.36 in the year ago quarter.

Extraordinary expense of $.8 million (net of tax) reflects the net loss associated with the retirement of the company's long-term debt during the quarter. The repurchase of $42.4 million of the company's 12 1/2 percent subordinated debt required the write-off of $2.1 million (net of tax) of associated deferred financing and premium costs. This was offset by a $1.3

million net gain realized from the repurchase of $14.9 million of the company's 7 1/4 percent convertible debentures during the quarter.

The third quarter net sales increase is due primarily to a 28.4 percent sales increase in the company's Motorcycle and Related Products segment.

Worldwide unit shipments of motorcycles exceeded the comparable year-ago quarter by 1,384 units.

The decrease in income from continuing operations is due principally to the decline in recreational and commercial vehicle sales at the company's Transportation Vehicles (Holiday Rambler Corporation) subsidiary caused by the downturn in the economy and fuel concerns associated with the Middle East crisis, according to Richard F. Teerlink, president and chief executive officer, Harley-Davidson, Inc.

Harley-Davidson's Defense and Other Businesses segment reported sales of $7.3 million, compared with $5.4 million in the year-ago quarter.

CONTACT: Ken Schmidt, 414-935-4538, for Harley-Davidson

-30- 2211

#90297p8984 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT LAKES, MINN. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Dynamic Homes, Inc. today reported sales of $1,896,000 for the third quarter of 1990, an increase of 22 percent from $1,554,000 a year ago. The company's earnings came to $36,000 or $0.02 per share, compared to a net loss of $99,000 or $0.05 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, sales rose 7 percent to $4,494,000, while the company's net loss totaled $81,000 or $0.04 per share, down significantly from the net loss of $379,000 or $0.19 per share last year.

David K. Knudson, Dynamic's president, attributed the company's third quarter earnings to strong single-family construction as well as continued cost control efforts. He said multi-family/commercial construction also contributed to the improved third quarter results.

Knudson said the company expects to achieve its 1990 goal of being at or near the breakeven point for the full year, which would represent a major turnaround in Dynamic's performance. He said the quarter-ending construction backlog was up 69 percent from the year-earlier level, making him believe the fourth quarter should be a good period for Dynamic.

The company's working capital should strengthen to a positive position in the fourth quarter, Knudson continued, reflecting the recent approval of a $400,000 economic development funding package from state, regional and local

agencies and its board of directors. These funds, which Dynamic expects to receive before Dec. 31, 1990, will be used to upgrade transportation equipment and finance growth.

Dynamic Homes is a leading regional builder of modular single-family homes, multi-family dwellings and commercial structures. The company's products are marketed through a network of builder-dealers in Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota South Dakota, Wisconsin and Wyoming. The company's common stock is traded on the local over-the-counter market.

CONTACT: David K. Knudson of Dynamic Homes, 218-847-2611

-30- 2156

#90297p8986 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc. (NYSE: CMM), know as CRIIMI MAE, and its affiliate, AIM Liquidating REIT, Inc. today announced they are improving their exchange offer to investors in four "AIM" insured mortgage investment funds sponsored by bankrupt Integrated Resources, Inc.

The first change, as described in a revised prospectus filed today with the Securities and Exchange Commission, reduces AIM Liquidating REIT's annual recurring payments for fees, compensation and preferred dividends to 1.10 percent of invested assets. The previous proposal would have continued those payments at the level of the existing AIM funds, which currently ranges from 1.25 to 1.75 percent of assets.

The second revision, which reduces the CRIIMI MAE solicitation fee from 2.00 percent to 0.50 percent of the exchange value, equalizes CRIIMI MAE's fee with the fee paid when investors choose AIM Liquidating REIT.

Under the exchange offer, scheduled to continue through Tuesday, Dec. 18, 1990 unless extended, CRIIMI MAE and AIM Liquidating REIT offer investors the right to exchange interests in each of the four AIM funds for a deferred cash payment, plus shares in either CRIIMI MAE or AIM Liquidating REIT. Ten percent of the exchange value per unit will be paid in the form of the deferred cash payment and 90 percent will be paid in shares.

Investors holding a majority of interests of each AIM fund must tender their units for that fund to participate in the exchange offer. Approval of a majority of the outstanding shares of CRIIMI MAE is also required for the consummation of the offer.

The four Integrated-sponsored AIM funds are American Insured Mortgage Investors (AIM 84), Integrated Resources American Insured Mortgage Investors-Series 85, A California Limited Partnership (AIM 85), American Insured Mortgage Investors L.P.-Series 86 (AIM 86) and American Insured

Mortgage Investors L.P.-Series 88 (AIM 88).

CRIIMI MAE is a New York Stock Exchange-listed REIT which invests in and manages a portfolio of federally insured multifamily mortgage investments. CRIIMI MAE was formed in 1989 through the merger of three publicly traded funds.

AIM Liquidating REIT, Inc., a corporation created specifically for this transaction, intends to qualify as a REIT. It will retain the finite-life, self-liquidating, unleveraged characteristics of the AIM funds. Its assets will consist solely of the assets of the AIM funds it acquires and its investment objectives and policies will be substantially similar to those of the AIM funds.

CONTACT: James T. Pastore of CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc., 301-231-0323.

-30- 2866

#90297p8988 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of CRSS Inc. (NYSE: CRX) today declared a regular quarterly dividend, for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991, of 3 cents per common share payable Nov. 21, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 9.

CRSS, through its subsidiaries, is a diversified design and construction services company and is involved in the independent power/cogeneration industry. CRSS has also expanded through its interest in NaTec Resources, Inc., into the acid rain pollution control market.

CONTACT: Steve Pierce of CRSS, 713-552-2158

-30- 737

#90297p8989 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALTON, Ga. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Shaw Industries, Inc. (NYSE: SHX) today announced that the board of directors declared a cash dividend of 12.5 cents per share for the second quarter of fiscal year 1991. This dividend is payable on Nov. 19, 1990, to shareholders of record at Nov. 5, 1990.

Shaw Industries, Inc., with corporate offices in Dalton, Ga., manufactures and sells carpeting to retailers and distributors throughout the United States and exports to several foreign markets.

CONTACT: W. M. Sims Jr. of Shaw Industries, 404-278-3812

-30- 716

#90297p8995 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MAYWOOD, NJ (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - National Community Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: NCBR) today reported a net loss of $9.9 million for the third quarter of 1990 and a profit of $97,000 for the first nine months. Robert M. Kossick, president and chief executive officer, stated, "The third-quarter loss resulted from the recording of a $32.9 million loan loss provision taken due to a rise in the bank's non-performing loans and continuing softness in economic conditions." The third-quarter loss was $.96 per share and earnings per share for the first nine months were $.01. NCBR's net income for the first nine months of 1989 was $35.9 million, or $3.44 per share.

Non-performing loans totaled $120 million, or 3.98 percent of total loans, at the end of September 1990 as compared with $56 million, or 1.94 percent, at September a year ago. In order to keep pace with this increase, the bank over the first nine months of 1990 added $58.5 million to the loan loss reserve. After net charge-offs of $17.1 million for the first nine months, the loan loss reserve totaled $72.6 million, 2.41 percent of total loans, and 60.4 percent of non-performing loans. These figures compare with a loan loss reserve of $30.8 million and 1.06 percent of total loans for September of 1989.

"These decisions," stated Kossick, "must be balanced against positive developments in the areas of deposit growth, control of non-interest expenses, increased levels of fee-based or non-interest income, and retention of NCBR's traditionally solid core earnings -- i.e., earnings before loan loss provisions and taxes. Control of non-interest expense has been achieved by reduced staffing, leveling of officer salaries, and reduction in the growth of all controllable operating expenses."

At Sept. 30, NCBR's total assets were $4.1 billion, total deposits were $3.6 billion, shareholders' equity was $215 million, book value per share was $20.51, and the ratio of primary capital to assets was 6.87 percent.

National Community Banks is a one-bank holding company with 114 banking facilities serving 12 New Jersey counties.

CONTACT: Anthony J. Franchina, executive vice president and treasurer, 201-845-1250, or Arthur C. Ramirez, first senior vice president, 201-845-1340, both of National Community Banks

-30- 2483

#90297p8996 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors dealers in the United States today reported the following vehicle sales:

Period		Month		Calendar Year(a)	
Oct. 11-20		Oct. 1-20		Jan. 1 - Oct. 20	
1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989

Total Vehicles	125,676	111,263	254,194	212,081	4,156,521	4,324,866
Pct. Change						
Per S/D	+ 13.0		+ 13.2		- 3.9	
Total Cars	84,037	72,495	176,067	143,287	2,767,303	2,908,233
Pct. Change						
Per S/D	+ 15.9		+ 16.1		- 4.8	
Total Trucks	41,639	38,768	78,127	68,794	1,389,218	1,416,633
Pct. Change						
Per S/D	+ 7.4		+ 7.2		- 1.9	

	Period		Month		Calendar Year	
Division	Oct. 11-20		Oct. 1-20		Jan. 1 - Oct. 20	
Total Vehicles	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989
Chevrolet	64,499	59,464	124,809	108,633	2,213,298	2,247,946
Pontiac	15,770	15,498	39,157	33,328	563,636	579,011
Oldsmobile	15,860	10,362	29,928	22,080	446,332	515,745
Buick	14,748	11,092	29,194	20,141	437,533	453,122
Cadillac	5,730	6,284	14,301	12,489	208,863	217,187
GMC	9,069	8,563	16,805	15,410	286,859	311,855
Domestic Sales						
Cars	80,571	69,980	169,611	138,281	2,617,825	2,770,420
Lt. Duty Trks.	40,691	37,860	75,997	67,095	1,357,289	1,379,189

NOTE: Nine selling days (S/D) in the Oct. 11-20 period this year and last year. Eighteen selling days for the Oct. 1-20 period this year and 17 selling days last year.

(a) -- Year-to-year percent change is not adjusted for selling days.

CONTACT: Terrence Sullivan, 313-556-2019, or Karen Longridge, 313-556-2035, both of General Motors

-30- 2075

#90297p9000 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc., today announced combined domestic Corolla and Camry sales of 9,213 (3,142 Corollas and 6,071 Camrys) for the second 10 days of October, compared to last year's figure of 6,256 (2,548 Corollas and 3,708 Camrys).

Toyota's calendar year-to-date domestic sales total 282,311 versus 160,203 sold a year ago.

CONTACT: Mindy Geller of Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc., 213-618-5204

-30- 617

#90297p9009 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, NY (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Occidental Chemical's attorneys, during

opening statements in U.S. Federal Court, questioned New York State's selective use of hindsight to judge the conduct of people 40 years ago by today's standards and asked the court to place itself back to the period of the 1940s and 1950s in order to judge decisions made then in proper historical context.

Thomas H. Truitt, OCC's lead attorney, asked the court to "Assess Hooker's conduct in the context of the time the conduct was undertaken. The standards of today's environmental consciousness and public policy cannot be applied retroactively to punish a company for actions which occurred in the 1940s and 1950s that reflect the knowledge of those times."

Attending the trial's opening day, J. Roger Hirl, OCC's president and chief operating officer, expressed the company's apology for the circumstances and events which are generally described under the heading Love Canal. Hirl said, "OCC regrets and is genuinely sorry that anyone was put in fear or anxiety concerning property loss or injury." This was echoed in Truitt's opening also.

Hirl also said the Love Canal trial "Signals the beginning of a much needed healing process." He added, "If the trial serves any remedial purpose itself...it's because the complete story will be told and judged by a neutral party for the first and hopefully the last time."

He noted that Occidental Chemical and Hooker have been responsible corporate neighbors for more than 80 years with an enviable record of supporting activities that benefitted the community and region.

Truitt said Hooker was a major supporter of the war efforts in 1940 and 1950 through its production of essential chemicals and received numerous commendations for their efforts. He asked the court to remember how "different the world was then," describing the 1940s as a decade of survival. "All industry," Truitt added "was totally mobilized towards a single objective, winning the war and preserving our way of life."

The selection of Love Canal to dispose of the residence resulting from the war effort Truitt said was "thoughtfully chosen...because the clay soils were believed to be impermeable to contaminant migration. He also noted that Hooker consulted with city officials in 1942 about the site before initiating disposal operations and State and Federal officials in 1949 about the chemical residues buried at Love Canal.

In the early 1950s, a period of explosive growth, Truitt told the court, Hooker was repeatedly approached by the Niagara Falls School Board to sell the Love Canal property to them.

CONTACT: Alan Hilburg of Occidental Chemical, (716) 854-6821 (business hours), or (716) 856-1234 (non-business hours).

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COLUMBIA, S.C. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - SCANA Corporation (NYSE: SCG) today reported the following consolidated earnings for the three months and twelve months ended September 30, 1990:

Comparative Consolidated Earnings Summary

	3 Months Ended		12 Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Operating Revenues (000)	$308,025	$300,319	$1,140,620	$1,108,799
Net Income (000):				
From On-Going Operations	$54,765	$45,430	$137,758	$122,046
From Sale of Telecom USA	46,150		46,150	
Reported Net Income	$100,915	$45,430	$183,908	$122,046
Number of Common Shares Outstanding (000)	40,296	40,296	40,296	40,296
Earnings Per Share:				
From On-Going Operations	$1.35	$1.13	$3.41	$3.03
From Sale of Telecom USA	1.15		1.15	
Reported Earnings Per Share	$2.50	$1.13	$4.56	$3.03

William B. Timmerman, senior vice president and chief financial officer, noted that the current quarter and twelve months ended earnings include a one-time gain of $46.1 million, or $1.15 per share on the Company's investment in Telecom USA, whose merger with MCI Communications Corporation was completed in August 1990.

In its recurring operations, a 7.4 percent increase in consolidated Kilowatt-hour sales of electricity by South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G), SCANA's principal subsidiary, contributed to the improved financial results compared to the third quarter of last year. The higher electric sales were primarily attributable to abnormally hot weather, which resulted in record peak demand on SCE&G's system in July and August.

The Company also announced that its Board of Directors, at a meeting held today, declared the regular dividend of 63 cents per shar of common stock for the quarter ending December 31, 1990. The dividend is payable January 1, 1991 to common stockholders of record at the close of business on December 10, 1990.

The Board of Directors also declared the regular quarterly dividends on the following classes of SCE&G's cumulative preferred stock for the quarter ending December 31, 1990: 62 1/2 cents per share on the 5 percent Series; 56 1/4 cents per share on the 4.50 percent Series; 57 1/2 cents per share on 4.60 percent Series; 57 1/2 cents per share on the 4.60 percent Series A; 57 1/2 cents per share on the 4.60 percent Series B; 64 1/16 cents per share on the 5.125 percent Series; 75 cents per share on the 6 percent Series; $1.175 per share on the 9.40 percent Series; $2.03 per share on the 8.12 percent Series;

$1.925 per share on the 7.70 percent Series; $2.10 per share on the 8.40 per cent Series; $1.09 per share on the 8.72 percent Series.

Dividends on the preferred stocks are also payable January 1, 1991 to SCE&G's preferred stockholders of record on December 10, 1990. The 5 percent Series cumulative preferred stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange -- the ticker symbol is "SAC Pr."

Scana Corporation, headquartereed in Columbia, S.C., is a diversified holding company engaged, through subsidiaries, in regulated electric and natural gas utility businesses and other non-regulated businesses.

CONTACT: H. John Winn, III, Investor Contact, SCANA Corporation, 803-748-3240

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BLOOMFIELD, CT (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - In one of the largest efforts of its kind in the nation, about 175 Hartford, Conn., children are being bused to Cigna Corporation's Connecticut offices during the workday for one-on-one weekly tutoring sessions with company employees. More than 350 Cigna people - from senior vice presidents to secretaries - are volunteering to work on a team basis with the children.

"We are delighted that Cigna has chosen the Hartford school system for this project and I am confident that the tutors will become a meaningful and fundamental part of our children's educational lives," says Hartford School Superintendent Hernan LaFontaine.

The children are students in Hartford's Dominick F. Burns elementary school, which has a 99 percent minority enrollment. About 96 percent of the students are from families receiving state and federal assistance.

"Teachers are always seeking ways to motivate children and make learning exciting. The Cigna program, with its stimulating new environment and mentor-style approach, helps generate that motivation and excitement," says Burns Principal Herbert F. Shedroff.

"Our people benefit as much from the program as the children do," explains Cigna Executive Vice President G. Robert O'Brien. "Tutoring the children makes our people feel good about themselves and where they work. Because the program draws from every level of the company, it also builds a sense of teamwork."

"What's more, these students represent our future workforce. We have a stake in how they develop and plan to work with them as long as we can," says O'Brien.

Called "My Friend Taught Me," the new program links Cigna tutors with

fourth-and fifth-graders for one hour every Wednesday from October through May to work on improving reading and math skills.

"Cigna's program is one of the largest of its kind in the nation," observes Daniel Merenda, executive director of the National Association of Partners in Education, Inc., a Virginia-based, nonprofit organization that represents and serves the schools, business, community groups, educators, and individuals who work together as partners to help students achieve educational excellence. The association also works to foster the development of such business and education collaborative programs as mentoring and tutoring programs.

"It contains all the ingredients of an effective program: top-level support, an on-site program manager, a training course for tutors, plus a strategy to evaluate the program's effectiveness," says Merenda.

CONTACT: Abby Sullivan Moore of Cigna, (203) 726-4099.

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#90297p9023 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

OVERLAND PARK, KS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - George E. Powell III, president and chief executive officer of Yellow Freight System Inc. of Delaware (NASDAQ:YELL) reported to shareholders today that operating revenue in the third quarter was up 4 percent to $587,105,000 compared to the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter nearly doubled, increasing to $22,298,000 or 79 cents per share, compared to $11,487,000, or 40 cents per share, earned in the like quarter last year. According to Powell, "This increase reflects the success of the company's ongoing policy of price restraint augmented by its cost control efforts and improvements in operating efficiency."

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, operating revenue totaled $1,724,611,000, a 4 percent increase over the like period of last year. Net income was $52,178,000, or $1.84 per share, up from $45,708,000, or $1.59 per share, earned in the first three quarters of 1989. Results for 1989 do not include the impact of adopting the Financial Accounting Standards Board's Statement No. 96, Accounting for Income Taxes, which increased net income by $29,200,000, or $1.01 per share, for the first quarter of 1989.

Less-than-truckload (LTL) tonnage was down 3 percent and total tonnage was down 2 percent in the third quarter compared to the third quarter last year. Shipments handled in the quarter were 5 percent lower than last year while weight per shipment was up. The decline in shipments and tonnage is the result of the slow growth in the nation's industrial production and the company's resistance to additional price discounting. For the first nine months of 1990, both LTL and total tonnage were up about 1 percent compared to the like period of 1989.

Powell also told shareholders, "Fuel prices rose dramatically during the last

two months of the quarter. By the end of September a gallon of diesel fuel cost almost 50 percent more than it did at the end of July. Effective Aug. 27 the company was forced to implement a fuel surcharge to offset these higher costs. The company reviews fuel prices each week and adjusts the surcharge based on actual costs incurred. Customers have generally accepted the surcharge as fair and reasonable under these difficult circumstances. As a result, operating margins have not been significantly impacted.

The board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 23 1/2 cents per share to be paid Nov. 19 to shareholders of record on Nov. 5. In announcing the 3 cents per share increase, George E. Powell, Jr., chairman of the board, said the higher dividend is made possible by the improvement in operating results and the completion of a period of accelerated capital spending. Therefore, it seems a good time to bring dividends to a more appropriate payout level. Powell added, "This action also reflects the confidence of the board in the long-term outlook for the company."

CONTACT: Phillip A. Spangler of Yellow Freight System Inc. of Delaware, 913-345-1020

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DENVER, (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - MinVen Gold Corp. (AMEX; TORONTO: MVG) today announces that it has arranged to refinance the amounts outstanding under its US$14.5 million bank line of credit. The company's principal lender, Citibank, N.A., has agreed to extend the term of MinVen's revolving line of credit to Jan. 31, 1992. In addition, a major shareholder group of the company has agreed to provide MinVen with US$4 million of convertible note financing.

Under the extended revolving bank line, MinVen may draw up to US$10 million until Jan. 31, 1991 and US$7 million thereafter and until Jan. 31, 1992.

MinVen has agreed to sell a US$4 million, three year, unsecured, subordinated, convertible note at 94 percent of par to the VenturesTrident group of Denver. Interest on the Note will accrue at the rate of Citibank, N.A.'s Prime plus 1-1/2 percent during the first year and 8 percent thereafter and is payable in either cash or common shares of MinVen.

During the first year, the Note is not convertible but may be prepaid at par at MinVen's option without a cash fee upon the issuance of a warrant to purchase one share of MinVen at a price of US$1 for each US$4 of face value of the Note so prepaid. During the second and third years, $US3.76 million of the face value of Note may be converted at the option of the holder into MinVen shares at the price of US$1 per share. The conversion price may be reduced if MinVen completes an equity offering at a price less than US$1 per share during the first year and does not redeem the Note. Pursuant to the Note, the maximum number of MinVen shares which the VenturesTrident group may

receive for either conversion of principal or payment of interest is limited to 5 million shares.

The refinancing is subject to approval of the stock exchanges on which MinVen shares are traded, but has already been approved in principal by the Toronto and American stock exchanges.

James A. Anderson, president and chief executive officer, said "The refinancing of MinVen's short-term debt into two longer term arrangements gives the company maximum flexibility in timing its debt repayments and minimizes the potential dilution to our existing shareholders. The refinancing comes at an opportune time as MinVen heads into the detailed planning and permitting for the expansion of the Gilt Edge Mine."

MinVen Gold is a publicly held, Denver-based gold mining company with interests in five operating mines in the United States and Canada. Its shares are traded on the American, Toronto, and Vancouver stock exchanges under the symbol MVG.

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-30- 2843

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DETROIT (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of MCN Corporation (NYSE: MCN) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 41 cents ($.41) per share on the company's common stock.

This represents an annual dividend rate of $1.64 or a 4.1-percent increase from the prior annual rate of $1.575. The dividend is payable Nov. 23, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 12, 1990. This is the first dividend increase since the company became public in mid-1988, following a spinoff from Primark Corporation.

According to MCN Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Alfred R. Glancy III, "Although earnings for the current year are expected to be down because of the weather and losses from our Genix Corporation subsidiary, this dividend increase indicates our confidence in the future of MCN and its business prospects."

Record-breaking, warm weather during the first six months of the year has resulted in lower gas sales in MCN's gas utility subsidiaries. The effect of this warmer-than-normal weather will impact earnings per share by approximately $.50 in 1990.

Genix Corporation, a computer services subsidiary acquired in June 1990, is expected to incur losses which will adversely affect MCN's earnings per share by approximately $.10 in 1990.

MCN Corporation is the holding company for Michigan Consolidated Gas Company, a natural gas distribution, transmission and storage company serving more than one million customers in 465 communities throughout Michigan; for Citizens Gas Fuel Company, a natural gas utility serving customers in Lenawee County, Michigan; and for MCN Investment Corporation which owns subsidiaries in the natural gas technology, data processing and energy services businesses.

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#90297p9030 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - BMR Financial Group Inc. (NASDAQ: BMRG) today reported a net loss of $1.4 million, or $.49 cents per share for the third quarter compared to net income of $618,000, or $.22 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

Losses for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $488,000, or $.17 per share compared with earnings of $1.8 million, or $.63 per share for the same period in 1989. Losses for the quarter were the result of additions to reserves for possible loan losses and uncollectible receivables.

The company set aside a reserve of $1.1 million in the third quarter in the company's consulting division for potentially uncollectible revenues that were previously recognized. These revenues are largely related to one major contract now being disputed. The company's member banks recorded $870,000 in provision for loan losses in the third quarter, as a result of the company's assessment of the uncertain economic environment in the company's markets.

Approximately $315,000 in expenses related to the termination of the company's agreement to acquire First Chattanooga Corp. was recorded in the third quarter. Third quarter results reflected $108,000 in severance costs related to staff reductions at both the consulting company and the parent company.

The common stock of BMR Financial Group is traded in the Over-The-Counter market and is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market List under the symbol "BMRG."

BMR FINANCIAL GROUP INC.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

($ in thousands, except share and per-share data)

9 mos. ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Income Statement Data: Pre-tax income (loss) from consulting subsidiary activities	$(1,201)	$ 1,114
Banking activities Net interest income after provision		

for loan loss	8,688	6,332
Non-interest income	2,545	1,778
Non-interest expense	10,536	6,484
Income (loss) before prov. for income taxes	(504)	2,740
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(16)	939
Net income (loss)	(488)	1,801
Per Share Data:		
Avg. common shares outstanding	2,857,137	2,844,864
Net income (loss)	$(0.17)	$0.63
Book value at end of period	7.20	7.22
Market value	3.50	8.75
At Sept. 30:		
Total assets	294,682	245,371
Total earning assets	254,768	214,222
Loans, net of unearned income	181,243	150,379
Total deposits	255,180	207,941
Common shareholders' equity	20,714	20,532
Ratios:		
During the period		
Net income (loss) to:		
Average total assets	(0.22)pct.	1.29 pct.
Average common shareholders' equity	(2.99)pct.	11.88 pct.
Average common shareholders' equity to average assets	7.33 pct.	10.87 pct.
At end of period		
Common shareholders' equity to assets	7.03 pct.	8.36 pct.

CONTACT: Douglas G. Greene, chief financial officer of BMR Financial Group, 404-934-9994

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WORCESTER, MASS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - BankWorcester Corporation (NASDAQ: BNKW) today reported net income of $73,000 or 1 cent per common share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $1.6 million or 23 cents per weighted average common share for the same quarter last year. Management provided approximately $3.4 million for possible loan losses, charged off approximately $4.1 million of loans, net of recoveries, and wrote down other real estate owned by approximately $609,000. After the provision and charge-offs, the loan loss allowance is approximately $13.7 million, or 1.4 percent of loans outstanding, and non-performing assets totaled approximately $48.2 million. Net interest and dividend income for the quarter was approximately $9.7 million compared to approximately $10.1 million in 1989.

Deposits at Sept. 30, 1990, were approximately $868.4 million, compared to

$843.1 million on the same date last year. Net loans were approximately $980.1 million vs. approximately $1.0 billion a year ago. Assets at Sept. 30, 1990, of $1.1 billion were approximately the same as last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the net loss was approximately $6.2 million or 94 cents per common share compared to net income of approximately $3.4 million or 48 cents per weighted average common share in 1989.

On Feb. 16, 1990, BankWorcester signed a definitive agreement to merge with Citizens Financial Group, subject to a number of significant conditions. One condition is that if the level of non-performing assets plus other certain items (the "specified amount") exceeds $50 million, after all regulatory approvals are received, Citizens may choose not to consummate the merger. After reported charge-offs, the specified amount was approximately $68 million at Sept. 30, 1990. It is anticipated that the specified amount will fluctuate from time to time. The point in time at which the specified amount is to be measured is after the receipt of all required regulatory approvals.

CONTACT: Dennis Byrne of BankWorcester, 508-831-4460

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WORCESTER, MA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - BankWorcester Corporation (NASDAQ: BNKW) today reported net income of $73,000 or 1 cent per common share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $1.6 million or 23 cents per weighted average common share for the same quarter last year. Management provided approximately $3.4 million for possible loan losses, charged off approximately $4.1 million of loans, net of recoveries, and wrote down other real estate owned by approximately $609,000. After the provision and charge-offs, the loan loss allowance is approximately $13.7 million, or 1.4 percent of loans outstanding, and non-performing assets totaled approximately $48.2 million. Net interest and dividend income for the quarter was approximately $9.7 million compared to approximately $10.1 million in 1989.

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BANKWORCESTER CORPORATION
Consolidated Statement of Income
(In thousands except per share)(Unaudited)

	Three Months ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest & dividend income	$26,343	$28,012	$78,442	$81,562
Interest expense	(16,658)	(17,955)	(49,595)	(51,194)
Net interest and dividend income	9,685	10,057	28,847	30,368
Provision for loan losses	(3,426)	(8,650)	(17,211)	(10,247)
Other income	1,268	3,925	3,721	7,246
Other expense	(7,683)	(5,743)	(21,644)	(18,200)
Income (loss) before taxes	(156)	(411)	(6,287)	9,167
Income tax benefit (expense)	229	(1,154)	101	(5,768)
Net income (loss)	$ 73	$(1,565)	$(6,186)	$3,399
Net income (loss) per common share	1 cent	(23 cents)	(94 cents)	48 cents
Weighted average common shares outstanding	6,610	6,833	6,610	7,048

Balance Sheet Data	Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Deposits	$868,396	$843,116
Commercial loans, net	411,499	451,131
Residential mortgage loans, net	421,384	428,751
Consumer loans, net	147,190	138,176
Total assets	1,106,590	1,121,296
Total liabilities	971,531	976,296
Stockholder's equity	135,059	145,000
Stockholders' equity per share	20.43	21.36

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BOULDER, CO (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - NBI Inc. (NYSE: NBI) today announced that it has reached agreements with several leading national and regional software resellers to market Legacy, the company's recently introduced integrated word processing, page layout and graphics package for Windows 3.0. The new resellers include the nation's largest software reseller, Egghead Discount Software, as well as Micro Warehouse, Computerland Mid-Atlantic, Computerware,

Softmart, and 800 Software.

With the addition of these national and regional resellers to NBI's recently announced distribution agreement with Ingram Micro D and ongoing reseller agreement with Nynex Business Centers, NBI continues to expand its ability to offer Legacy through various distribution channels to the rapidly expanding Windows market. NBI will be participating with these companies in joint marketing activiites focused on corporate seeding opportunities.

"These new resellers further our strategic objective of delivering Legacy to three key market segments," stated James Pachak, NBI's vice president of sales. "Softmart and Computerware will sell Legacy to the government market; Egghead Software, Nynex, Micro Warehouse, 800 Software and Computerland Mid-Atlantic will fulfill demand in large and small businesses and corporations; and Ingram Micro D will meet product demand in the reseller channel."

Legacy is a comprehensive word processing, page layout and graphics package. Compared with other Windows word processing packages, Legacy's depth of page layout and typographical controls and its reliable underlying architecture enable easier, faster creation of high-impact documents containing text, graphics and data.

Legacy is available through authorized resellers at a suggested retail price of $495. It requires Microsoft Windows 3.0 and MS-DOS 3.2 or higher; an IBM AT or compatible (80282 or 80386 CPU) or IBM PS/2; 640K of RAM (1-2 MB recommended); EGA, VGA or other Windows-compatible display; and a Windows-compatible mouse. For more information, users can call 800-NBI-1111.

Based in Boulder, NBI designs and markets advanced word processing software packages. A leader in the word processing industry for more than a decade, NBI also provides customer service and support to a wide base of system users in domesitc and international locations.

CONTACT: Carole Kimminau of NBI Inc., 303-938-1042; or Lori Cross of White & Cromer, 714-752-2216, for NBI Inc.

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MELROSE PARK, ILL (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the Alberto-Culver Company (NYSE: ACV, ACV.A) today declared the regular quarterly dividend of 5 cents per share on both its Class A and Class B common stock payable Nov. 20, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 2, 1990.

CONTACT: Stephen G. Crews of Alberto-Culver, 708-450-3005

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#90297p9044 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Elizabeth A. (Becky) Malkerson has been promoted to senior vice president of corporate relations for First Bank System Inc. (FBS). She has most recently served as vice president of FBS external and governmental relations.

Malkerson will assume responsibility for employee communications and media relations areas and the FBS Foundation. She will continue to manage the company's governmental and community relations functions, shareholder communications, corporate public relations and volunteerism activities. She joined the company in 1975 as a market research analyst and was named product manager-retail credit in 1976. She was appointed assistant vice president of corporate and governmental relations in 1978 and became assistant vice president of public affairs in 1982. She was promoted to vice president of governmental relations in 1985 and added the public affairs department to her responsibilities in 1988. In 1989, she assumed responsibility for shareholder communications, corporate public relations and volunteerism.

Malkerson holds a BA in sociology and psychology from the University of California at Berkeley and a MBA from the University of Minnesota.

CONTACT: Wendy Raway of First Bank System, 612-370-5154

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#90297p9045 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
BIRMINGHAM, AL. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Energen Corp. (NYSE: EGN) today reported a 13 percent increase in fiscal 1990 earnings per share from continuing operations.

Contributions from Energen's two major lines of business -- gas distribution and oil and gas exploration and production -- improved; and Energen's proved oil and gas reserves increased significantly.

For the year ended Sept. 30, income from continuing operations and net income totaled $13,185,000, or $1.35 per share. This compares with income from continuing operations of $11,121,000, or $1.19 per share, and net income of $8,586,000, or 92 cents per share, for last year. Fiscal 1989 net income results include a $2,535,000, or 27 cents per share, loss from the disposal and discontinued operations of Energen's specialty drilling unit.

Earnings from Alagasco, Energen's natural gas distribution business, increased primarily due to higher margins on certain emergency gas sales, higher gas usage due to more customers, and improved rate relief. Weather in Alagasco's service area was 8 percent warmer than normal in 1990 and 1989.

Increased coalbed methane production and the recognition of accompanying tax

credits were primarily responsible for the increased contribution from Taurus Exploration, Energen's oil and gas exploration and production business.

Basin Pipeline Corp., Energen's intrastate transmission company, generated increased earnings due to pipeline construction consulting services provided during the construction of a 55-mile intrastate pipeline which will provide major market access to coalbed methane produced in the southwest portion of Alabama's Black Warrior Basin.

"With improved financial performances by our two major lines of business, plus a substantial contribution from one of our other activities, Energen's success in 1990 is a clear reflection of our long-term strategic plan for enhancing shareholder value," said Rex J. Lysinger, chairman and chief executive officer.

PROVED RESERVES INCREASE At Sept. 30, Energen had 60 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of proved oil and gas reserves booked on its ownership interest in 766 wells, compared with 31 Bcf on 531 wells at Sept. 30, 1989. Coalbed methane reserves totaled 45 Bcf on Energen's portion of 554 wells at year-end 1990, compared with 17 Bcf on 298 wells for the prior year.

"The excellent potential of our coalbed methane activities makes us particularly excited about Energen's prospects for 1991," Lysinger said. "By December 31, 1990, we will have interest in 850 to 875 coalbed methane wells. All of the wells drilled in 1990 are expected to be producing by mid-1991 and reach peak production during 1992 and 1993."

QUARTERLY DIVIDEND DECLARED At its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, the Energen board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of 23.5 cents per share payable Dec. 3 to shareholders of record on Nov. 15.

Energen Corp. is a diversified energy holding company engaged primarily in gas distribution and oil and gas exploration and production.

CONTACT: Julie Spafford of Energen, 205-326-8421

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#90297p9050 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) announced today its intention to call for redemption on Dec. 21, 1990, its 12.80 percent preferred stock, 13.35 percent preferred stock and 14.15 percent preferred stock.

The 12.80 percent preferred stock will be redeemed at a redemption price of $108.50 per share, the 13.35 percent preferred stock at $108.90 per share and the 14.15 percent preferred stock at $109.40 per share.

Notices of redemption will be mailed to shareholders approximately one month

prior to the redemption date. The notice of redemption will detail steps that are to be followed for the redemption process.

CONTACT: Neil McDermott of Philadelphia Electric, (215) 841-4122.

-30- 911

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DETROIT (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Division today reported the following 10-day sales figures:

	Oct. 11-20		Month-to-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Selling days	9	9	18	17
Ford	3,225	1,807	5,959	4,688
Thunderbird	2,929	2,957	5,741	7,307
Taurus	8,752	8,980	16,314	17,914
Tempo	5,295	5,777	11,665	18,283
Escort	10,490	7,304	19,735	14,812
Festiva	1,205	1,532	2,277	3,202
Mustang	2,843	2,974	5,556	5,741
Probe	1,222	3,166	2,713	6,630
Total cars	35,961	34,497	69,960	78,577
Bronco	935	1,444	1,725	3,164
Bronco II/Expl	6,417	2,700	12,118	5,562
Club Wagon	541	605	1,061	1,467
Van	3,043	3,834	6,339	7,657
Aerostar	4,629	3,981	8,662	9,025
Ranger	6,958	6,937	12,675	13,868
F-Series	12,184	11,642	24,179	24,792
Heavy	956	1,047	1,853	2,665
Total trucks	35,663	32,190	68,612	68,200

	CYTD	
	1990	1989
Selling days	248	247
Ford	93,726	92,816
Thunderbird	87,002	104,910
Taurus	257,686	290,441
Tempo	184,981	191,446
Escort	236,611	287,961
Festiva	45,809	59,184
Mustang	100,663	141,510
Probe	95,060	113,739
Total cars	1,101,538	1,282,007
Bronco	40,929	50,426
Bronco II/Expl	135,596	88,920
Club Wagon	17,207	20,883
Van	123,457	140,695

Aerostar	149,088	159,632
Ranger	233,431	227,792
F-Series	443,482	472,442
Heavy	38,046	47,545
Total trucks	1,181,236	1,208,335

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HIGHLAND PARK, MI (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today announced a gift of $4,654,574 to Detroit's 1990 United Way Campaign.

The announcement was made by E. Thomas Pappert, Chrysler Corporation vice president-sales and chairman of the company's employee drive, at a United Way luncheon at the Westin Hotel. Pappert said the gift consists of employee pledges of $3,904,574 and $750,000 from the Chrysler Corporation Fund.

"The job we do here benefits so many of our neighbors in the Greater Detroit community," Pappert said. "In fact, all of us, directly or indirectly, are touched by the good things produced by our campaign dollars." The average annual contribution per Chrysler employee amounted to $118 at the close of the drive.

"As in past years, a major element contributing to our success has been the support received from unions representing company employees," Pappert said. He cited Stan Marshall, UAW vice president and head of the Chrysler Department, for his active role as labor co-chairman of the company's drive. Pappert also expressed his appreciation to the company's dedicated solicitors and to all employees supporting the United Way through their contributions.

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#90297p9057 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CT (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Union Carbide Corporation (NYSE: UK) declared the company's 294th consecutive quarterly dividend.

The amount is $0.25 per share based on the outstanding capital stock of the corporation, payable Dec. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 15, 1990. The previous quarterly dividend was $0.25 per share, paid on Sept. 1, 1990.

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#90297p9059 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROCHESTER, NY (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Bausch & Lomb (NYSE: BOL), with its joint venture partner Montari Industries Ltd. (member Ranbaxy Group), has begun construction of an $11 million manufacturing plant in India, the company announced today. Scheduled for completion in the 1992 first quarter, the plant will produce contact lenses, lens care products and metal frames for use in prescription and UV-protection sunglasses for the Indian market and other nations in that region of the world.

India, with a population of 830 million, represents a substantial market opportunity for Bausch & Lomb. By providing an integrated system of high-quality contact lenses and related care products to the Indian population the company will hasten the major improvement in the delivery of vision care services which is already underway in that country. Bausch & Lomb's brand names are well known among India's discriminating consumers and its products should experience very brisk demand once they become available to the local market.

This joint venture project continues a systematic geographic expansion of Bausch & Lomb's international operations into developing nations in the Far East. In the past few years major manufacturing facilities and attendant marketing programs have been established in the People's Republic of China, Indonesia and South Korea. Bausch & Lomb's sales in the Far East have grown at a compound annual rate of approximately 30 percent over the past five years.

Bausch & Lomb and Montari are equal partners in the joint venture; a minority interest will be available for sale to the Indian public. In addition to its financial investment, Bausch & Lomb will provide state- of-the-art manufacturing technology to the joint venture. Contact lenses, and lens care products will be manufactured in accordance with FDA approved standards and procedures, making international quality eye care products available to the Indian consumer for the first time.

The manufacturing plant is being constructed in Bhiwadi, Rajasthan, about 80 km from New Delhi. It is expected to employ approximately 400 people when operating at capacity. The Ranbaxy Group, which has controlling interest in Montari Industries Ltd. is the third largest pharmaceutical company in India.

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#90297p9064 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - J. Allen Fine, President and Chairman of the Board of Investors Title Company (NASDAQ-NMS: ITIC), announced that for the three months ended September 30, 1990, premiums written increased 8 percent from $2,085,837 to $2,261,409, investment income increased 13

percent from $206,727 to $233,482, revenues increased 10 percent form $2,296,176 to $2,519,948 and net income increased 6 percent from $402,917 to $425,833, all compared to the same quarter in 1989. Net income per share totaled $.15 for the third quarter, compared to $.14 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended September 30, net income increased 7 percent from $1,059,420 to $1,128,417 and net income per share increased 8 percent from $.37 to $.40 for the same period in 1989. Premiums written increased 12 percent from $5,799,397 to $6,512,203 and revenues increased 12 percent from $6,446,262 to $7,243,610, compared to the same nine-month period in 1989.

"Premiums written and net income held up extremely well in the third quarter, given the difficult operating environment," Fine said. "Premiums written in our core markets have been consistently higher over the past nine month period and have been enhanced by inroads we've made into new markets. On balance, we continue to be pleased with the operating results of the Company."

Investors Title Company is a publicly-held company whose stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market (Symbol: ITIC). The Company's two title insurance subsidiaries write title insurance in the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, Illinois, Oklahoma, New York, Florida, Pennsylvania, Louisiana, and Indiana.

Another subsidiary, Investors Title Exchange Corporation, provides assistance to attorneys and certified public accountants in structuring delayed tax-free exchanges for their clients.

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#90297p9068 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Metropolitan Life Insurance Company today provided a real incentive to Americans to look for their old MetLife "industrial" insurance policies. The policies could, the company said, be worth three to four times their original insurance value.

The big insurer made the announcement as it launched its national "Family Reunion" program in New York City. The program is a search for owners and beneficiaries of MetLife "industrial" policies purchased at least 26 years ago when MetLife agents went door-to-door collecting premiums of as little as a nickel a week. Issued for amounts of less than $1,000 before 1965, these policies were generally purchased by hard-working families.

"We want to reestablish contact with these customers to let most of them know that their MetLife coverage is greater than they thought," said MetLife CEO Robert G. Schwartz. "This is our way of saying 'thank you' to the people

whose business built our company."

The Family Reunion program will consist of direct mail, nostalgic advertising, public information efforts through the news media and community outreach and personal contacts by both active and retired sales force representatives -- supported by teleservicing centers.

"Our program, we hope, will bring millions of Americans good news," said Robert J. Crimmins, executive vice-president of MetLife. Nationally, the company is looking to contact approximately five million industrial insurance policyholders. The policies have a combined insurance value of more than $4.2 billion, according to Crimmins.

Crimmins explained that New York State, with its high percentage of MetLife policyholders, will be the first state to roll out under the national program. It is a key area in the national Family Reunion search, with an estimated 475,000 policies worth more than $427 million of insurance value.

Since a pilot program began in Connecticut last year, MetLife has reestablished contact with more than 100,000 customers and paid out more than $3 million to beneficiaries, many of whom were unaware that an insurance policy existed. Without this proactive effort, some of these benefits might one day have been added to the nation's spiraling unclaimed property pool, which today stands at more than $11 billion.

With its Family Reunion effort, MetLife, the largest provider of personal insurance to the nation's retirees, hopes to provide another example of its commitment to quality service. Schwartz pointed to a much more mobile generation and the fact that many industrial policies came into existence before owners could be recorded on computers or tracked by systems such as Social Security as possible reasons individuals did not realize they had this insurance protection. Since many policyholders may have moved and not notified MetLife, the company is anticipating that the program will allow it to enhance the accuracy of its files.

To gain more public awareness of this issue, MetLife announced that Willard Scott, TV personality, will make public appearances on behalf of the program.

MetLife, one of the nation's largest insurance and financial service companies provides or administers insurance coverage for more than 45 million people in the United States, Canada and other countries around the world.

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#90297p9069 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MI (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Durakon Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: DRKN) announced today that its net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $4,814,000 ($.78 per share) compared to $2,409,000 ($.39 per share) for the same period in 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 includes a gain of $1,955,000 ($.32 per share) associated with the sale of DFM Corporation in June of this year. Further, the company reported an operating profit for the third quarter of 1990.

Net sales for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, from on- going operations were $25,829,000 compared to $27,247,000 for the same period in 1989 after excluding DFM sales. Net income for third quarter of 1990 was $681,000 ($.11 per share) compared to $1,768,000 ($.29 per share) in 1989. For the nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, net sales from on-going operations were $81,705,000 and $86,635,000, respectively.

The third quarter of 1990 marked the divestiture of a major portion of the company-owned distribution network to independent sources, as previously announced, and the further reduction of inventory. In addition, the company has incurred production and operating expenses associated with start-up of the General Motors contract. Sales to date for the factory installed truck-bed liner program with General Motors have not been significant.

"Forecasts by industry analysts earlier this year for 1990 earnings will not be achieved due primarily to the effects of a slowing economy and reduced truck sales. The company anticipates remaining profitable for the year," stated David Laro.

Durakon is the world's leading producer and distributor of pick-up truckbed liners and roll-back car carriers. Headquartered in Ann Arbor, Mich., it has manufacturing facilities in Lapeer and Clare, Mich.; Brentwood, Tenn., and Greencastle, Pa. A publicly traded company, it is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System.

DURAKON INDUSTRIES, INC.
(In Thousands, Except per Share Amounts)

	1990	1989	Dollar Change	Pct. Change
Three Months Ended September 30:				
Net Sales	$25,829	$33,984	$(8,155)	(24.0)
Operating Income-pre-tax	1,060	2,497	(1,437)	(57.5)
Other Inc. (exp.)-pre-tax	---	310	(310)	(100.0)
Net Income	681	1,768	(1,087)	(61.6)
Net Income Per Share	0.11	0.29	(0.18)	(62.1)
Weighted avg. no. common shares outstanding	6,164	6,159	5	---
Nine Months Ended September 30:				
Net Sales	$95,160	$105,756	$(10,596)	(10.0)
Operating Income-pre-tax	4,277	3,797	480	12.6

Other Inc. (exp.)-pre-tax	1,955	27	1,928	inf
Net Income	4,814	2,409	2,405	99.8
Net Income per Share	0.78	0.39	0.39	100.0
Weighted avg. no. common shares outstanding	6,164	6,159	5	---

Net sales includes DFM sales through 1990 as follows:

	1990	1989
Three Months Ended September 30:		
Net Sales	----	$ 6,737
Nine Months Ended September 30:		
Net Sales	$13,455	$19,121

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#90297p9072 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Knape & Vogt (NASDAQ-NMS: KNAP) today announced that its board of directors has authorized management to repurchase, in the open market, up to $1 million worth of its common stock contingent upon market conditions. An identical authorization announced Aug. 24, 1990, has been utilized to repurchase 62,000 shares for approximately $830,000.

Raymond E. Knape, chairman and president, said the board authorized the repurchase program because the company's stock is attractively priced and because of its confidence in Knape & Vogt's near- and long- term growth prospects. The board did not set a time limit for the repurchase program.

Knape & Vogt manufactures wall-attached shelving, a wide variety of home furnishing items and also derives about one-third of its sales from drawer slides for kitchen and utility cabinet manufacturers.

CONTACT: Robert Bowman of Knape & Vogt, 616-459-3311; or Jack Queeney, 312-266-7800, or Kathleen Phelan, 212-661-8030, both of The Financial Relations Board, for Knape & Vogt

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#90297p9073 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA, PA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Most older Americans would prefer to purchase long-term care insurance through the work place, while only one in five want to rely on the government to pay for long-term care, according to a marketing study commissioned by Cigna Direct Marketing Division's Employer/Employee unit.

The survey of more than 400 Americans ages 50 to 74 showed that 67 percent would prefer to purchase long-term care insurance through payroll or pension

deductions at group rates, even if their employers or former employers did not help pay the premiums.

Only 19 percent wanted to rely on the government to cover the expenses of long-term care - which includes nursing home, community-based and home health care for the chronically ill or severely disabled - despite calls in some quarters for federally funded long-term care programs similar to Medicare and Medicaid.

The numbers signal a growing interest in employer-sponsored group long-term care, which now accounts for only about three percent of the long-term care insurance, according to John Langenus, president of Cigna Direct Marketing Division. Its Employer/Employee unit entered the group long-term care market earlier this year with an employer-sponsored voluntary plan.

The marketing study, which was conducted by Abt Associates of Cambridge, Mass. found that 62 percent of those surveyed had at least some interest in purchasing long-term care insurance.

Consumer demand is not the only argument for selling long-term care through the work place, Langenus said. "Our study also showed that interest in long-term care is almost twice as strong in consumers who are knowledgeable about long-term care costs and the need to plan ahead," he noted.

"The employer can help employees and retirees immeasurably - without added benefit costs - simply by providing the conduit for information and the opportunity to buy group long-term care coverage." Langenus added that employers' pre-retirement planning sessions and employee assistance programs could help educate consumers about long-term care costs.

Employers also may find that a plan covering parents of employees would ease the burden on current employees - those trapped in the so-called "sandwich generation" - who must care for children and parents. On average, 25 percent of all employees provide some form of elder care, Langenus noted. These caregivers miss, on average, 9.3 hours of work per month.

"Our information shows that caregivers also give up overtime and training opportunities because of their responsibilities," said Langenus. "A program that offers help in finding and coordinating long term care would free these employees from a great burden that could be limiting their productivity."

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#90297p9074 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA CROSSE, WI (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - First Federal Capital Corp (NASDAQ: FTFC) announced today a loss of $7.2 million or $3.80 per share for the three

months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to net income of $349,000 during the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Losses for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 amounted to $9.5 million or $5.03 per share, as compared to a loss of $560,000 in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Per share figures are not provided for 1989 because the company's banking subsidiary, First Federal Savings Bank La Crosse- Madison, did not convert to stock form until November 1989.

The loss in the current quarter was primarily a result of aggressive actions by the company to reduce problem assets, as previously announced. These actions included additional provisions and charge-offs on various loans and investments in real estate which are intended to reduce the carrying value of such assets to fair market value under current economic conditions. Substantially all of these provisions and charge-offs relate to previously disclosed loans and investments in real estate and are in certain cases reflective of current negotiations relating to the potential sale of these assets.

Thomas W. Schini, president and chief executive officer of the company, stated that "The efforts to reduce the company's exposure to problem assets were in anticipation of actions that likely would have been necessary in future periods given the difficult economic environment. It is our belief that these actions will improve the company's results of operations in future periods. The core operations of the Bank have shown continuous improvement throughout the year and have been in line with the Bank's projections for integration of operations in La Crosse and Madison. We are optimistic about the future, barring further weakening in the national and regional economy."

The company's tangible, core and risk-based capital ratios amounted to 5.16 percent, 5.16 percent and 8.86 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, respectively. These ratios are in compliance with all currently applicable regulatory capital requirements.

Provisions for losses on loans and real estate amounted to $8.2 million during the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. At Sept. 30, 1990, the company's total allowances for losses on loans and real estate owned, after charge-offs, amounted to $6.8 million and $2.4 million, respectively, and combined amounted to approximately 60 percent of the company's non-performing assets at such date. Non performing assets amounted to $15.5 million or 2.0 percent of the company's total assets as of Sept. 30, 1990. Exclusive of these assets are loans which are performing in accordance with their terms but which are being closely monitored by management for potential problems.

The company's banking subsidiary, First Federal Savings Bank La Crosse-Madison conducts business from its headquarters and main office in La Crosse, Wisconsin and 22 consumer banking offices and four loan origination facilities in western and south central Wisconsin.

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#90297p9078 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - After learning of the New York State Supreme Court Justice Elliot Wilk's decision in the Anneka DiLorenzo case, Bob Guccione, publisher of Penthouse Magazine, issued the following statement:

"We definitely intend to appeal this decision, and are confident that an unbiased review of the record as a whole will result in dismissal of the entire case.

The only evidence in which the Court could base its decision is the plaintiff's word -- which was uncorroborated and continually contradicted by the documentary proof. Penthouse presented evidence that DiLorenzo was a former prostitute, a drug abuser and a three-time felon who violated her probation. She also was proven to have lied repeatedly under oath so that her word could not reasonably support even a nominal award of damages.

After reviewing the decision in the Anneka DiLorenzo case, where the Court dismissed eight of the plaintiff's nine claims, we are convinced that the Judge based his award of damages on a patently erroneous interpretation of the Human Rights Law as well as a misconstruction of the facts. The legislative history of the Human Rights Law, which was not cited by the Court, does not permit the award of punitive damages.

In addition, there was no sexual coercion in the work place because DiLorenzo allegedly began an affair with a Penthouse financial adviser at a time when she was not even employed by Penthouse, as proven by uncontradicted documentary evidence. Moreover, any alleged sexual demands imposed upon the plaintiff could not possibly have constituted an implicit condition of continued employment because after DiLorenzo discontinued the alleged affair, she remained on the Penthouse payroll and received both a raise and a steady income."

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#90297p9081 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDISON, NJ (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Engelhard Corporation (NYSE: EC) today reported net earnings for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $16.0 million, or 36 cents per share, compared to $39.0 million, or 87 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989. Last year's results included a one-time gain of $21.5 million, or 48 cents per share, from the public sale of shares

in the company's Japanese affiliate.

The maker of specialty chemical products and engineered materials recorded net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 of $48.9 million, or $1.09 per share, compared to $68.5 million, or $1.52 per share, last year which included the one-time gain.

Net sales for the third quarter were $874.6 million, versus $586.4 million for the same period in 1989. Year-to-date net sales were $2.28 billion, compared to $1.78 billion for the first nine months of 1989. The increase in 1990 net sales is due predominantly to the significant rise in prices for certain precious metals, which Engelhard purchases for customers and uses in the manufacture of a variety of products.

Orin R. Smith, president and chief executive officer, noted that earnings before taxes for the quarter increased 15 percent before accounting for last year's third quarter one-time gain. He attributed the earnings increase to higher profit from both Engelhard's Engineered Materials and Precious Metals Management segment and Pigments and Additives segment, which more than offset a decrease in earnings from the Catalysts and Chemicals segment.

Operating earnings for the company's Engineered Materials and Precious Metals Management segment were up nearly threefold to $12.1 million for the quarter. Continued improvement for Engelhard's Precious Metals Management services, resulting from favorable precious metals market conditions and an expanded business base, more than compensated for lower sales and profit for industrial fabricated products.

The Pigments and Additives segment posted a seven percent increase in third quarter operating earnings to $15.6 million. Higher profit from the sale of pigments and extenders to the paints and plastics markets more than offset a decline in profit from products sold to the paper industry.

Third quarter operating earnings for the company's Catalysts and Chemicals segment declined 51 percent to $5.7 million. Lower sales of petroleum catalysts and delays in the shipment of chemical catalysts were the principal causes of reduced profit. Profit from the sale of environmental catalysts increased slightly in the quarter.

Engelhard Corporation is a world leading provider of specialty chemical products, engineered materials and precious metal management services.

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#90297p9083 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - In the third quarter of 1990, Credit

Suisse's total assets grew by 1.8 percent to Sfr 126.6 billion, the company announced today.

Over the first nine months of this year, total assets have therefore risen by Sfr 8.9 billion or 7.6 percent. The increase would have been Sfr 4.4 billion higher were it not for the effect of the dollar.

Total lendings to customers were 3.5 percent higher in the third quarter; in the first nine months loans increased by 9.6 percent to Sfr 77.3 billion. Loans abroad accounted for roughly half of this growth. Mortgage business rose by one percent during the period dealt with by the report to Sfr 28.6 billion. Securities fell by 14 percent to Sfr 7.4 billion.

The major part of customer deposits is concentrated in high-interest, short-term time deposits. Time deposits expanded again in the third quarter, by 2.9 percent; they stood at Sfr 43.3 billion at the end of September, 13.9 percent higher than at the end of 1989. By contrast, overall growth in customer deposits was only 4.9 percent or Sfr 3.7 billion; they now total Sfr 80.3 billion.

Third quarter earnings were lower than in the previous quarter; overall profits for the first nine months of 1990 are therefore perceptibly lower than last year, when results were very good.

All the main earnings components were adversely affected by market trends. Interest business is suffering as a result of unsatisfactory margins, particularly in the mortgage sector. Earnings from interest differentials did not increase in spite of the much higher volume of lendings.

The massive fall in prices on the world's stock markets had a negative effect on off-balance sheet business. Appropriate adjustments have had to be made in respect of the company's own securities holdings.

Costs are rising at about ten percent, largely as a result of comparatively high inflation. It has to be assumed that, even if the situation on the financial markets improves, cash flow in 1990 will not reach last year's level.

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#90297p9089 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Business Records Corp. Holding Co. (NASDAQ: BRCP) announced third quarter earnings of $1,096,000 or 23 cents per share today. This compares to earnings of $686,000, or 14 cents per share during the same period last year. During the quarter, the company recorded revenues of $16,835,000 which reflect a 5.3 percent decrease from the revenues of $17,782,000 reported during the same period last year.

P. E. Esping, president and chief executive officer of the company, stated that third quarter earnings were enhanced as a result of receiving $450,000 in proceeds from a settlement. Esping also stated that the company has repurchased a total of 231,000 shares during the year. As a result of these repurchases, the company currently has 4,568,822 shares outstanding.

The Dallas-based company provides land records, election services, and other information services to governmental customers throughout the United States.

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#90297p9091 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - An extremely rare consolidation of interrelated, multiple bankruptcies was approved here today in an order issued by U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Barbara Sellers, based on her ruling from the bench Tuesday authorizing the "substantive consolidation" of all of the assets and liabilities of Cardinal Industries and all but two of its 33 subsidiaries. Eighteen of the Cardinal subsidiaries have been operating under individual bankruptcy proceedings.

Judge Sellers' decision came after just two days of testimony. All of the more than 40 parties that had originally objected to Cardinal Operating Trustee Jay Alix' motion for substantive consolidation had withdrawn their objections before the hearings began Monday after reviewing the trustee's case for consolidating the entities for bankruptcy purposes. Notice of the motion had been sent to more than 50,000 possible claimants early in the summer.

Not included in the trustee's motion were two Cardinal subsidiaries that are holding companies for limited partnership properties or Cardinal's more than 800 affiliated limited partnerships, of which 230 are operating under individual bankruptcy proceedings.

Alix said combining the Cardinal corporate entities into one of the largest substantive consolidation estates in U.S. bankruptcy history clears the way for the developer of more than $2 billion in syndicated and unsyndicated real estate holdings to present a plan of reorganization within a year.

In her ruling from the bench Tuesday immediately after closing arguments, Judge Sellers said, "The cost to these estates to untangle and verify entries and results on the enterprise's books and records on an entity-by-entity basis would consume whatever estate there may be for the benefit of unsecured creditors.

"The enterprise ... presented itself to lenders and vendors as one company," she said, "therefore, reliance by parties of these cases was not on the unique

financial status of any single entity.

"The enterprise functioned as a unit, held itself out as a unit and kept its books and records ... with little regard for the legal organization of individual entities," she said from a prepared opinion. "Likewise, the ownership of certain assets is unclear based upon the company's books and records."

Cardinal was the nation's largest manufacturer of modular homes and second-largest residential and apartment developer before filing May 15, 1989, for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy code, and was general partner of more than 800 limited partnerships controlling 1,000 apartment complexes, Knights Inn and Arborgate Inn motels and retirement villages worth more than $2 billion.

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#90297p9095 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SMITHTOWN, NY (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Quantronix Corporation (NASDAQ: QUAN) of Smithtown, has announced that, in response to the FDA- approved expansion of clinical testing of the USCI Spears Laser Balloon angioplasty catheter for emergency treatment of abrupt closure, additional laser systems will be placed in five more clinical sites in the United States. This will increase the number of U.S. investigators involved in the program to 15, with seven more systems in off-shore facilities. Installation of these new systems is expected to be complete over the next several months.

The USCI Spears Laser Balloon emits laser energy through an inflated angioplasty balloon to remodel and "weld" diseased coronary vessels. The unique device was created by J. Richard Spears, M.D., of Harper Hospital in Detroit, and scientists at the USCI Division of C.R. Bard, Inc. Precisely controlled laser energy is provided to the device by the Quantronix System 1500, designed, manufactured and marketed exclusively for this application by Quantronix. These systems have potential application in the approximately 1500 hospital catheterization laboratories around the world.

Quantronix Corporation manufactures laser-based systems and other electro-optic products for industrial, scientific and medical applications which are sold throughout the Far East. The company has manufacturing, sales and service facilities in Smithtown, Orlando, Fla., and Oxnard, Calif., and sales/service facilities in Santa Clara, Calif., and Darmstadt, Germany.

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#90297p9099 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
ALLENTOWN, PA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Stephen J. Furst, president of Hess's, has named Dean J. Kratzer vice president of real estate for the 75-unit department store chain.

As vice president of real estate, Kratzer will be responsible for all Hess's existing real estate, the location and negotiation of all new stores in accordance with Hess's long-term strategic expansion plans.

Kratzer brings 30 years of retail real estate experience to this new position. Before joining Hess's, he served as vice president for Paramount Group, Inc., overseeing the acquisitions of development of property and all department store negotiations.

He has also served as real estate manager for Federated Department Stores, Inc., where he was responsible at various times for site selection, acquisition and predevelopment of projects for Bloomingdale's, Lazarus, Goldsmiths, Rich's, Filene's, Burdine's, Shillito's, Rike's, Boston Store and I. Magnin.

He was also involved in the West Coast real estate expansion of I. Magnin, Bullock, Bullock's Wilshire, and Levy's. In addition, he spent 19 years as a regional real estate manager of Sears, Roebuck & Co., where he gained extensive experience in the Northeast.

Hess's is a wholly owned subsidiary of Crown American Corporation, one of the nation's leading real estate developers, which is based in Johnstown, Pa. Today, Hess's has 75 locations throughout Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, Georgia, and North Carolina. Furst said that Kratzer's expertise will greatly benefit Hess's in its future expansion endeavors.

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#90297p9100 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Cypress Fund Inc. (AMEX: WJR) today directed Mitchell Hutchins Asset Management Inc., the fund's investment adviser, to recommend to the board a program to permit the fund's shareholders to realize net asset value as soon as practicable.

The board is continuing to evaluate available options, among which are a tender offer for the fund's shares (with payment in-kind or in cash), a merger of the fund with an open-end investment company, in-kind or cash distributions (as part of a liquidation or otherwise) or any combination of these transactions.

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ATLANTA, (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of American Business Products Inc. (NYSE: ABP) declared a quarterly dividend of 22 cents per share of common stock payable Dec. 14 to shareholders of record Nov. 30.

American Business Products Inc., based in Atlanta, is a leading supplier of forms for computers and other electronic equipment, envelopes and specialty mailers, book printing; extrusion coating of paper and non-woven materials for packaging and other business supplies with 46 production facilities in the continental United States and Hawaii.

ABP's operating companies are Curtis 1000 Inc., Vanier Graphics Corp., BookCrafters USA Inc. and American Fiber-Velope Mfg. Co. and the newly acquired Jen-Coat Inc. The company also has a joint venture, Curtis 1000 Europe GmbH in Neuwied, Germany.

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#90297p9108 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of NCNB Corporation (NYSE: NCB) today approved a 6-percent increase in the quarterly cash dividend on its common stock.

The dividend will increase to 37 cents per share from 35 cents. It is payable December 28 to shareholders of record December 7.

"Even in the face of difficult economic conditions, this action by our board continues our philosophy of sharing earnings with our shareholders," said Hugh L. McColl Jr., chairman.

"Our company earned $334.5 million in the first nine months of this year," McColl said. "Today's action demonstrates both the ongoing fundamental strength of our company and management's confidence that NCNB's diversity and market position will enable us to emerge from this economic cycle even stronger than ever."

For the year 1990, NCNB's dividend on common stock is 29-percent higher than 1989.

In addition, NCNB directors declared the regular quarterly preferred stock dividend of $1.00 per share, payable January 1, 1991, to shareholders of record December 7, 1990.

NCNB Corp. is the seventh largest bank holding company in the U.S. with more than $69 billion in assets and full-service banks in seven states.

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#90297p9110 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITMAN, NJ (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - K-Tron International Inc., (NASDAQ: KTII), today announced that revenues in the third quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, were a record $16.4 million, up 22 percent from the $13.4 million for the same period in 1989.

While pre-tax earnings were up 18 percent, a higher effective tax rate resulted in net earnings of $0.929 million or $0.32 a share, slightly better than last year's $0.913 million, or $0.31 a share.

For the first nine months of 1990, revenues were a record $47.2 million, up 13 percent from the $41.9 million in 1989. Earnings before taxes increased 16 percent for the period, while an increase in the effective tax rate resulted in net earnings of $2.719 million, or $0.93 a share, compared to $2.681 million, or $0.91 a share, for the same period last year. Reduced utilization of tax loss carryforward benefits resulted in a significant increase in income taxes.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Leo Beebe said, "In spite of a slowdown in the economy and concerns about a recession, particularly in the United States, K-Tron's presence in worldwide markets and our expanding and diversified product mix has helped us maintain our momentum. Our results in 1990 have been bolstered by good market acceptance of our new gravimetric blender equipment, strong feeder shipments in Europe, and the weaker U.S. dollar. On the other hand, we have been adversely impacted by reduced equipment shipments to the Far East and the effects of a third quarter refurbishing program which resulted in the reduced delivery of new security systems to R.J. Reynolds Tobacco."

Beebe added, "K-Tron's product mix and worldwide market penetration have enabled the company to achieve solid results for the first nine months despite a weakening U.S. economy. While the fourth quarter presents greater economic uncertainties, we expect our results for 1990 to compare favorably to 1989."

On a separate matter, the company said that it expects to complete its previously announced acquisition of Hasler Freres International SA in the near future.

K-Tron International Inc., through its subsidiaries, is a major producer of gravimetric feeders, blenders and security systems with facilities in the United States, Europe and the Far East and customers throughout the world.

K-TRON INTERNATIONAL & SUBSIDIARIES
FINANCIAL SUMMARY
(Unaudited; Dollars in thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended	Three months			Nine months		
	Sept. 29 1990	Sept. 30 1989	Pct. Change	Sept. 29 1990	Sept. 30 1989	Pct. Change
Revenues: Sales	$16,153	$13,431		$46,718	$41,709	
Other (net)	285	6		517	145	
Total	16,438	13,437	22	47,235	41,854	13
Earnings before income taxes	1,209	1,021	18	3,629	3,119	16
Income taxes	280	108	159	910	438	108
Net earnings	929	913	2	2,719	2,681	1
Earnings per share:						
Net earnings	$0.32	$0.31	3	$.93	$.91	2
Average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	2,945,000	2,945,000		2,931,000	2,931,000	

CONTACT: Ronald G. Larson, vice president and treasurer of K-Tron, 609-589-0500

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#90297p9112 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Team Inc. (AMEX: TMI) today announced that its board of directors declared a $.035 per share dividend payable on Nov. 30, 1990 to stockholders of record Nov. 15, 1990. This dividend is for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

In addition, Team announced today that its board of directors had adopted a plan designed to protect the interests of the company's stockholders in the event the company is confronted with a hostile takeover on terms and conditions detrimental to the company. The plan is not intended to prevent any business combination or transaction on terms that are favorable and fair to Team's stockholders.

In connection with the adoption of the Plan, Team's board declared a dividend distribution of one preferred stock share purchase right (a Right) for each outstanding share of the company's common stock, par value 30 cents per share (Common Stock), to stockholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 24,

1990.

Each Right entitles the registered holder to purchase from the company one one-hundredth of one share (a Unit) of Series A Preferred Stock, $100.00 par value, at a cash purchase price of $100.00 per Unit, subject to adjustment.

Until the occurrence of certain circumstances, Rights will be transferable only in connection with the transfer of shares of Common Stock. In addition, after situations arise indicating a potential, proposed or actual change of control of the company, the Rights may permit certain holders (other than the proponent of the transaction) to purchase shares of company Common Stock (or the proponent's common stock) at 50 percent of the then-market value of such shares.

The description and terms of the Rights are set forth in a Rights Agreement, dated as of Oct. 24, 1990, between the company and Ameritrust Co. N.A. as Rights Agent.

Team Inc. provides repair, specialty and transportation services primarily to industrial customers and privatized services to governmental entitites. The company has 54 operating locations in 24 states and serves the international market through licensee arrangements in 12 countries. Team, Inc. is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol TMI.

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#90297p9116 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Computer Corp. (NASDAQ: CRAY) reported a net loss of $12,667,000, or 70 cents per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with net loss of $9,569,000, or 59 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $38,336,000 or $2.17 per share compared with a net loss of $30,083,000 or $1.84 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Neil Davenport, president and chief executive officer, stated that expenditures for the quarter were in line with expectations. "We had hoped to record the sale of the CRAY-2/8 processor system during this quarter, however, contract negotiations were tangled with Budget issues in Washington and not completed in time. The contract is expected to be signed before too long and the revenue for the CRAY-2/8 processor system should therefore be included in the fourth quarter results.

During the third quarter of 1990, good progress was made on the CRAY-3 project. The redesign of the gallium arsenide logic circuits proceeded

satisfactorily and the in-house gallium arsenide foundry was successfully relocated to Colorado Springs and is currently delivering test wafers. The first test wafer was delivered on Aug. 31st which was well ahead of schedule."

Cray Computer is engaged in the design and development of the CRAY-3 computer system.

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#90297p9117 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA, (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - HBO & Co. (NASDAQ: HBOC) today reported its financial results from the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Revenue in the third quarter of 1990 was $46 million, down 13 percent from the prior year's period. Net income was $1.5 million, compared to the $5.3 million reported last year and earnings per share were $.11 vs. $.34 reported for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, earnings per share were $.18, compared with $.58 for the same period in 1989. Revenue for the year to date totaled $135 million and net income $2.6 million.

Holcombe T. Green Jr., chairman of the board, provided the following commentary on the company's performance for the first nine months of the year. "HBO's operating performance for the first nine months of 1990 is significantly below management's initial forecasts and last year's results. A primary reason for the decline is the weakness in software sales in HBO's HealthQuest subsidiary, which delivers IBM mainframe software products and services to hospitals. For the first nine months of 1990, HealthQuest had software revenue of just $2.4 million, less than one-half of the $5.7 million software revenue for the comparable period of 1989.

"In HBO's core minicomputer business, hardware and software revenue from the installation of new systems was less than the comparable prior period. For the first nine months of 1990 hardware and software revenue from the installation of minicomputer systems totaled $33 million, compared to $43 million last year. Despite the lower aggregate revenue year to date in HBO & Company of Georgia, customer service fee revenue continues to grow and sales of the new STAR Financial System are growing steadily. HBO has now completely installed 13 STAR Financial Systems and has 11 others underway.

"HBO's equipment maintenance subsidiary, MSSI, has performed substantially in line with plan. To enhance the profitability of MSSI, HBO has decided to concentrate on hospital information systems and cease servicing and refurbishing hospital clinical equipment. This action will lower MSSI's revenue for the year, but will enhance the company's profitability on its core

business.

"We now expect HBO & Company's results for 1990 to decline from 1989. We expect the fourth quarter to be critical for sales activity, especially in HealthQuest. Our prospective business in all areas is strong, and we do anticipate a successful fourth quarter. We have also made a number of strategic decisions that will decrease expenses and increase revenues in 1991 and beyond."

During the third quarter the company completed its 2 million share stock purchase program. Subsequent to quarter-end, the company's board of directors approved an additional 1 million shares for purchase.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME - UNAUDITED
(000s omitted, except for per-share data)

	Quarter ended		9 mos. ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenue	$45,979	$53,003	$135,270	$143,597
Operating expenses:				
Cost of operations	24,822	25,856	72,778	72,919
Marketing	3,548	3,286	11,639	10,224
Research & development	3,639	2,952	10,849	9,037
General & administrative	11,272	12,377	34,900	36,066
Total operating expenses	43,281	44,471	130,166	128,246
Operating income	2,698	8,532	5,104	15,351
Net interest expense	319	329	1,021	1,311
Income before provision for income taxes	2,379	8,203	4,083	14,040
Provision for income taxes	880	2,872	1,507	4,912
Net income	$ 1,499	$ 5,331	$ 2,576	$ 9,128
Earnings per share:				
Primary	$ .11	$ .34	$ .18	$ .58
Fully diluted	$ .11	$ .34	$ .18	$ .58
Wtd. avg. shares outstanding:				
Primary	14,241	15,485	14,662	15,741
Fully diluted	14,241	15,608	14,662	15,848

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#90297p9118 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLUE SPRINGS, MO. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Harmon Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: HRMN) of Blue Springs, the nation's most fully integrated supplier to railroad companies, reported increased sales and a profit for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales increased almost 13 percent from $18.7 million in 1989 to $21.1 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Earnings for the period increased from a loss of $142,000 or 3 cents (-$0.03) per share in 1989 to a profit of $85,000 or 2 cents per share in 1990.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales increased from $54.9 million in 1989 to $57.8 million in 1990. Net earnings for the period declined from $841,000 or 18 cents per share in 1989 to a loss of $1.67 million or 36 cents (-$.36) per share in 1990.

Included in the results of the third quarter is a one-time expense of approximately 7 cents per share which reflects the merging of Modern Industries Inc., Griffin, Ga. operations into other existing company facilities.

"Our comprehensive business plan has been to strengthen our established subsidiaries along with our start-up ventures," said Robert E. Harmon, chairman and chief executive officer for Harmon Industries. "Cedrite is improving slowly. Harmon Electronics and Electro Pneumatic Corp. are experiencing excellent years with sales continuing to be strong in our core business area. I am especially pleased with the progress of Consolidated Asset Management Co. Inc. (CAMCO), a new concept of warehouse service, which has exceeded their plans for both sales and profits and are continuing to grow."

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#90297p9124 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Glenmore Distilleries Company (AMEX: GDS.B) announced today that a cash dividend of $.30 per share was declared on all outstanding Class A and Class B stock. The record date is Nov. 5, 1990 with a payment date of Nov. 19, 1990.

Glenmore's products include: Kentucky Tavern, Yellowstone, Mellow Mash and Ezra Brooks Bourbons; Fleischmann's Gin; Skol and Fleischmann's Vodkas; Scoresby and Inver House Scotches; the Boston line of Cordials and Liquers; Canadian LTD; Old Thompson and Fleischmann's Preferrred Blended Whiskies; Amaretto di Amore; Felipe II Imported Brandy; El Toro Tequila; Elduris Icelandic Vodka; and Chi-Chi's Margaritas, among others.

CONTACT: Douglas A. Vetter, Vice-President-CFO, or Leonard Wexler, Vice President-Treasurer, 502-589-0130, both of Glenmore Distilleries Company

-30- 1027

#90297p9125 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, SC (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Scana Corporation (NYSE: SCG) announced that its Board of Directors today elected Bruce D. Kenyon as President and Chief Operatinag Officer of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G), Scana's principal subsidiary, effective November 12, 1990.

He succeeds Thomas C. Nichols, Jr., who will retire as President and Chief Operating Officer of SCE&G and a Director of Scana Corporation on October 31, 1990.

Kenyon, a native of Middleton, Ohio, was formerly Senior Vice President for Division Operations at Pennsylvania Power & Light Company of Allentown, PA. He has an extensive electric utility background going back to 1970 with Northeast Utilities.

At PP&L he served as Vice President-Nuclear Operations and Senior Vice President-Nuclear before assuming his role as Senior Vice President for Division Operations in 1988. He served in the U.S. Navy for five years, with assignments at nuclear power school, submarine school, and aboard the USS George Washington.

In announcing the Board's action on Wednesday, Scana Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Lawrence M. Gressette, Jr. said, "Mr. Kenyon is an organized and proven leader with 20 years of utility experience. He is well versed in virtually every aspect of utility operations from nuclear production of energy to company-wide marketing and customer services. He is a team player and a strong worker in his community. He will be an asset to our company, our city, and our state."

Nichols, first employed by SCE&G in 1952 as a Junior Engineer, moved through a variety of engineering and management positions before being named President and Chief Operating Officer of SCE&G in 1985.

Commenting on Nichols' retirement, Gressette said, "Tom has been a loyal and dedicated employee whose leadership was heavily relied upon, particularly during construction of our nuclear plant. He actions always demonstrated a concern and commitment to employees, customers and shareholders of SCE&G and Scana."

Scana Corporation, headquartered in Columbia, S.C., is a diversified holding company engaged, through subsidiaries, in utility and non-utility businesses. SCE&G is a regulated utility providing service to approximately 443,000 electric and 204,000 natural gas customers in South Carolina.

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#90297p9127 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
OSAKA, JAPAN (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Masahiko Hirata, executive vice president of Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. (NYSE: MC), today issued the following statement: "Discussions with MCA Inc. (NYSE: MCA) are proceeding in an orderly fashion and there are no new developments to announce. Any reports to the contrary are erroneous."

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#90297p9128 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
ALLENTOWN, PA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. (NYSE: PPL) today reported earnings of $365.37 million ($4.22 per share of common stock) on revenues of $2.43 billion for the 12-month period ended Sept. 30. This compares to earnings of $321.14 million ($3.62 per share of common stock) on revenues of $2.25 billion in the same period last year.

The new high in earnings is 60 cents a share, or 17 percent, above the level recorded during the same period a year ago, and it is 17 cents higher than the earnings reported at the end of 1989.

The company reported net income of $82.86 million (95 cents per common share) on revenues of $578.94 million in the fourth quarter, versus net income of $79.4 million (89 cents per common share) on revenues of $548.58 million for the fourth quarter last year.

Charles E. Russoli, PP&L executive vice president and chief financial officer, said the earnings improvement is tied to increased system sales reflecting the company's marketing and economic development programs, effective cost management, a reduction in interest expense and dividends on preferred and preference stock, and the effects of several capacity-related and transmission-entitlement transactions with other electric utilities.

The transactions with other utilities, which began in mid-1989, occurred because of the company's strong generating capacity. They resulted in additional revenues of about $28 million, or higher earnings of 23 cents per share of common stock, when compared with the 12-month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Russoli also pointed out that weather influenced recent earnings performance. "If normal weather had occurred during the past 12 months, earnings would have been about nine cents per share higher," he said. "The extremely cold weather in December of last year was followed by unseasonably mild weather during the first quarter of 1990, which adversely affected sales."

Total energy sales to service-area customers increased 2.2 percent for the

12-month period ended Sept. 30. If the weather had been normal during that period, sales growth would have been 2.5 percent.

The actual sales gain reflected a 3.2 percent increase in residential sales and a 4.4 percent increase in commercial sales. Industrial-sector sales, however, were down four-tenths of one percent, with the greatest decline occurring in steel manufacturing.

PP&L supplies electric service to a 10,000-square-mile area of 29 counties of Central Eastern Pennsylvania. Among the communities it serves are Allentown, Bethlehem, Harrisburg, Hazleton, Lancaster, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and Williamsport.

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#90297p9131 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Endotronics, Inc. today announced the introduction of three new instruments, the ACUSYST- Maximizer(TM) 500, the ACUSYST-Maximizer 1000 and the ACUSYST-Xcell(TM). ACUSYST technology is successfully being used worldwide for the production of monoclonal antibodies and recombinant proteins used for diagnostic and therapeutic applications.

The two ACUSYST-Maximizer (ASM) instruments are automated cell culture systems designed to support a wide variety of cell lines using various bioreactors to provide maximum flexibility of application and production scale. The ASM systems combine the patented ACUSYST cycling process with a wide selection of bioreactor sizes and molecular weight cutoff membranes to meet the needs of pilot scale production. For typical monoclonal antibody applications, the ACUSYST-Maximizer 500 will produce 500 milligrams per day and the ACUSYST-Maximizer 1000 will yield 1 gram per day.

The ACUSYST-Xcell system is designed to meet the needs of very large scale production. Total system output exceeds four kilograms of monoclonal antibodies annually. The system incorporates process automation, advanced data acquisition and control technology with the inherent advantages of hollow fiber cell culture as optimized using the patented ACUSYST cycling technology.

"The ACUSYST-Maximizer and ACUSYST-Xcell systems represent Endotronics' ongoing efforts to apply its mammalian cell culture expertise and technology to a full line of scalable instruments to keep pace with the rapidly growing bioprocessing market needs. Endotronics continues to maintain its leadership position in automated cell culture technology," said Richard E. Sakowicz, president and chief operating officer of Endotronics. "These instruments are sold worldwide to pharmaceutical, diagnostic and biotechnology companies, as well as university, government and hospital research laboratories."

The new instruments are featured this week at the International Biotechnology Expo in San Francisco and will be available for shipment in January 1991.

Endotronics, Inc. is a Minneapolis-based company which supplies products and services for the processing of mammalian cells to biotechnology, pharmaceutical, diagnostics companies and research centers worldwide.

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#90297p9132 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANKATO, Minn. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Winland Electronics today announced that net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased to $31,460 or $.016 per share compared with a net loss of $212,804 or $.18 per share for the same period last year.

Sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 141.7 percent to $1,046,291 from $432,873 for the third quarter ended one year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income increased to $11,816 or $.006 per share on sales of $2,665,481 compared with a net loss of $208,886 or $.17 per share on sales of $2,086,373 for the period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Winland noted that gross profit as a percentage of sales increased from 20 percent for the nine months ended September 1989 to 24 percent for the same period this year. The company also said that as a percentage of sales, marketing expenses decreased from 10 percent to 6 percent and research and development expenses decreased from 5 percent to 3 percent for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to the same period last year. Management pointed out that decreased marketing expenses were due in part to a one-time change in accounting procedures.

W. Kirk Hankins, president and CEO, stated, "We feel that it's significant that the company's expenses were reduced during a period in which both gross profit and sales increased substantially."

Located in Mankato, Minn., Winland Electronics, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets electronic and electro-mechanical products and assemblies. The company's common stock is traded over-the-counter in Minneapolis/St. Paul.

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#90297p9135 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Alva O. Way, chairman of IBJ Schroder Bank & Trust Company, today announced that the board of directors of the bank has today appointed Norihide Yoshioka as vice chairman. Yoshioka is the successor to Takeo Kani who will be joining Morgan Stanley shortly.

Yoshioka, 60, has been with The Industrial Bank of Japan since 1956 and will come to IBJ Schroder from his position as a Managing Director of IBJ in Tokyo. Yoshioka is familiar with American business through his long-term experience as the head of IBJ branches both in New York and Los Angeles. He has also previously served on the Board of IBJ Schroder.

Way said, "In the five years that we at IBJ Schroder have had the opportunity to work with Mr. Kani, we have all developed the deepest admiration and respect for him. We wish him the best of luck and success in his new position.

"Mr. Yoshioka is a very talented and understanding executive whose background in American business makes him an excellent choice for IBJ Schroder. He will be a tremendous asset to the bank in achieving its long-term goals."

CONTACT: Harry Arnold of IBJ Schroder Bank & Trust Company, (212) 858-2269; or Jeffrey Z. Taufield of Kekst and Company, (212) 593-2655, for IBJ Schroder.

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#90297p9143 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BELLEVUE, WA. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Momentum Distribution Inc. (OTC: MMDI), which became a public company through a tax-free spin-off from VWR Corp. (NASDAQ: VWRX) on March 1, today reported a loss of $317,000, or 28 cents per share, on sales of $39,543,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30. These results represent a significant improvement over the same quarter last year, when the businesses that now form Momentum Distribution had a third-quarter net loss of $814,000 on sales of $47,005,000.

Both the Graphics and Textiles segments of Momentum's business reported combined profitable operating results of $610,000 for the third quarter versus a combined loss of $673,000 for the same period last year. The company continues to report a loss after interest and corporate expenses for the third quarter.

After corporate expenses, the combined third-quarter loss from operations of $245,000 represents a $836,000 improvement versus the same quarter last year. Borrowing and interest expenses also declined versus last year. A tax benefit is reported only for the two months ended prior to the spin-off from VWR Corp. last March. As a newly formed corporation, Momentum has no past profits to offset its current losses.

For the first nine months of the current fiscal year, Momentum experienced a net loss of $809,000 on sales of $122,361,000. In the same period last year,

the company lost $1,085,000 on sales of $164,720,000.

Momentum Chief Executive Officer Richard E. Engebrecht expressed satisfaction with the company's improved operating results. "Our gross margin percentage in the Graphics business continues to increase on a year-to-date basis," he said. "This increase, coupled with continued monitoring of expenses, has contributed to modest but improved operating performances each quarter.

"Our decline in sales for the third quarter versus 1989 is due to the loss last year of several graphics supplier distribution agreements. Sales in both segments of our business also were affected by the weakening of the national economy. We face a challenge in the remaining quarter to meet our goal of being profitable by the end of 1990."

The company also announced the relocation of Momentum Graphics' general headquarters from Oak Brook, Ill., to Bellevue, Wash., to accommodate consolidation of Momentum Graphics' staff operating group with Momentum Corporate staff. Momentum Graphics President John Goddard and other key personnel will relocate to Bellevue by the first of the year.

"Due to the timing of a number of major projects, Momentum Graphics staff personnel have been operating out of four different offices in three different geographic regions. This consolidation will provide increased efficiencies and reduced expenses, and is in line with our commitment to improve operating efficiencies," Engebrecht said.

Momentum Distribution Inc. distributes supplies and equipment to printers, furniture and bedding manufacturers, and related businesses throughout the United States.

MOMENTUM DISTRIBUTION INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited, dollars in thousands except per-share data)

	Three Months		Nine Months	
Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$39,543	$47,005	$122,361	$164,720
Cost of sales	30,737	38,737	95,833	136,066
Gross margin	8,806	8,268	26,528	28,654
Operating expenses	9,051	9,349	27,022	29,813
Loss from operations	(245)	(1,081)	(494)	(1,159)
Interest expense	(197)	(501)	(797)	(1,459)
Other income - net	125	111	381	592
Loss before income tax benefit	(317)	(1,471)	(910)	(2,026)
Income tax benefit	0	(657)	(101)	(941)
Net loss	$ (317)	$ (814)	$ (809)	$ (1,085)
Loss per share (pro-forma)(A)	$ (0.28)		$ (0.73)	

(A) Includes income (loss) for January and February 1990, although spin-off occurred March 1, 1990.

BUSINESS GROUP INFORMATION
(Excludes unallocated corporate expenses)
(Unaudited, dollars in thousands)

Ended Sept. 30:	Three Months 1990	Three Months 1989	Nine Months 1990	Nine Months 1989
GRAPHICS GROUP				
Sales	$23,000	$30,927	$72,040	$116,789
Income (loss) from operations	56	(1,386)	(200)	(1,666)
TEXTILES GROUP:				
Sales	$16,543	$16,078	$50,321	$ 47,931
Income from operations	554	713	2,318	2,205

MOMENTUM DISTRIBUTION INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Dollars in thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990 (unaudited)	Dec. 31, 1989
ASSETS:		
Receivables	$23,985	$30,284
Inventories	17,466	21,487
Other	2,296	1,584
Total current assets	43,747	53,355
Property and equipment - net	9,217	8,560
Other assets	4,810	5,055
Total	$57,774	$66,970
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:		
Bank checks outstanding less cash in bank	$ 529	$ 1,201
Current portion of long-term debt	132	542
Accounts payable and other	16,233	19,631
Total current liabilities	16,894	21,374
Long-term debt	9,517	14,024
Deferred income taxes and other	1,625	1,572
Shareholders' equity	29,738	30,000
Total	$57,774	$66,970

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BRANCHBURG, N.J. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE Air & Water Technologies Corporation

(AMEX: AWT), a leading environmental treatment and services company, today announced that it has signed a letter of intent to purchase the analytical services division of Laser Precision Corporation (NASDAQ: LASR). The purchase price is approximately $5 million subject to adjustment.

Laser Precision Analytical, also known as Analect Instruments, is the worldwide leader in on-line Fourier Transform Infrared (FT-IR) analyzers. They are based in Irvine, Calif.

Through this acquisition, the Analect Instruments Analyzers will be used in KVB Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems (CEMS). KVB is a worldwide leader in supplying and servicing top quality CEMS for industry and utility clients. It is one of seven operating units of Research-Cottrell Companies, the air pollution control arm of Air & Water Technologies.

"This acquisition allows Air & Water Technologies to enhance and expand the type of service we provide to industry," said Eckardt C. Beck, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Air & Water Technologies. "This technology will enable us to assist our clients in measuring the production of chemicals and petrochemicals, as well as controlling pollutants."

"The vertical integration of the Analect Instrument with the KVB CEM allows us to offer the marketplace a more competitive product," said Donald A. Deieso, president and chief executive officer, Research- Cottrell Companies. "Analect's reputation for reliability is as strong as KVB's making it a perfect fit."

Air & Water Technologies Corporation, through its operating units, Research-Cottrell, Inc., Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: METC), and Residuals Management Group, provides a broad range of environmental services in the areas of air pollution control, water resource management, and waste by-product disposal and reuse.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Seagull Energy Corp. (NYSE: SGO) today reported significantly improved results for the third quarter and nine months which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the third quarter, Seagull's earnings applicable to common stock improved to $3.0 million, or 30 cents per share, from a loss of $1.1 million, or 16 cents per share, in the same quarter of 1989.

Year-to-date in 1990, Seagull's earnings applicable to common stock total

$14.7 million, or $1.69 per share, on revenues of $144.9 million. During the first three quarters of 1989, earnings applicable to common stock were $6.0 million, or 89 cents per share, on revenues of $128.0 million.

Operating profit improved to $8.9 million for the third quarter and $31.8 million for the first nine months of 1990, versus $2.9 million and $23.3 million in the same periods of the prior year.

Two of the company's three business segments -- exploration and production and pipeline operations -- registered substantial year-to-year gains in operating profit for both the quarterly and nine-month periods, noted Seagull Chairman Barry J. Galt.

"In exploration and production, we benefitted from sharply higher gas and oil production, due primarily to first-time contributions from two recent acquisitions, one completed at the end of 1989 and the other in mid-1990," he said. "During the last half of this year's third quarter, prices received for crude oil and condensate also increased significantly.

"In pipeline operations," he added, "our improvement was a result of profits realized from two pipeline construction projects, as well as higher natural gas liquids prices."

Galt said the higher gas and oil production levels will continue on into 1990's fourth quarter, but that one of the two pipeline construction projects has been substantially completed. He noted further that results from the company's Alaska utility division will return to their normally strong seasonal levels in the fourth quarter as winter sets in there.

He added that the underwritten Common stock offering of nearly 2.9 million shares successfully completed during 1990's third quarter also led to marked improvement in the company's balance sheet. "We completed the third quarter with long-term debt at just $55.2 million, our lowest level in more than five years," he remarked.

Houston-based Seagull is engaged in gas and oil exploration and production; the transportation, distribution and marketing of natural gas, liquids products and petrochemicals, and natural gas processing.

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SOUTHFIELD, MI (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Thorn Apple Valley, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: TAVI), a "Fortune 500" meat processor selling high-quality fresh pork products and consumer-brand-identified processed and smoked meats under the premium label "Thorn Apple Valley," today announced the following unaudited operating

results for the 16-week period ended Sept. 14, 1990.

THORN APPLE VALLEY, INC.
Stated in Thousands (except per-share data)

16 Weeks Ended:	Sept. 14 1990	Sept. 15 1989
Net sales	$243,589	$190,359
Operating cost and expenses	236,040	190,382
Interest expense	1,543	1,440
Income (loss) from operations	6,006	(1,463)
Income (loss) before income taxes and extraordinary item	6,006	(1,463)
Income taxes (credits)	2,119	(576)
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	3,887	(887)
Extraordinary item, tax utilization of operating loss carryforward	884	---
Net income (loss)	4,771	(887)
Earnings (loss) per common share:		
From operations	$ 1.30	$ (.29)
From extraordinary item	.29	---
Earnings per common share	1.59	(.29)
Shareholders' equity per share	11.70	11.27
Average shares outstanding	2,995	3,045

CONTACT: Louis Glazier of Thorn Apple Valley, Inc., (313) 552-0700.

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#90297p9148 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Cyprus Minerals Co. (NYSE: CYM) today reported earnings for the third quarter of $42.2 million, or 95 cents per share, on revenues of $493.1 million, compared with third quarter 1989 earnings of $68.2 million, or $1.68 per share, on revenues of $463.5 million.

In the first nine months of 1990, Cyprus earnings were $97.7 million, or $2.12 per share, on revenues of $1,387.9 million. For the nine month period in 1989 Cyprus earned $210.9 million, or $5.12 per share, on revenues of $1,352.8 million. Copper sales volumes were higher, but sales of produced copper were down requiring copper purchases to meet customer commitments. Thus, lower earnings from produced copper coupled with higher copper and molybdenum costs and generally lower metals realizations contributed to the lower earnings. Also, the second quarter write-down of the Kanawha coal mine in West Virginia impacted earnings significantly.

Cyprus Minerals, headquartered in Englewood, Colo., is a major producer of copper, coal, molybdenum, lithium, and talc. Cyprus also produces zinc, iron ore, and gold.

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-30- 1363

#90297p9150 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - K-tel International, Inc. reported for the year ended June 30, 1990, consolidated net sales of $42,611,000, a 2 percent increase from $41,610,000, and income before taxes and extraordinary items was $338,000 compared to $937,000 for the same period last year. The company also recognized extraordinary gains due to the utilization of tax loss carryforwards and a partial settlement to the Obligation to Unsecured Creditors. Net income was $678,000 compared to $1,347,000 last year as a result of soft retail markets in the United States and United Kingdom and higher selling, advertising and administrative costs due to expanded new product lines and frontline label development.

K-TEL INTERNATIONAL, INC.
SUMMARY OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION
(In Thousands Except Per-Share Data)

	Three Months Ended		Year Ended	
	6/30/90	6/30/89	6/30/90	6/30/89
Net sales	$8,400	$9,568	$42,611	$41,610
Income (loss) before income taxes and extraordinary items	(759)	134	338	937
(Provision) benefit for income taxes	158	(150)	(328)	(839)
Income (loss) before extraordinary items	(601)	(16)	10	98
Extraordinary items:				
Tax benefit of loss carryforwards	315	485	451	1,049
Partial settlement and adjustment to Unsecured Creditors, net of income tax	217	15	217	200
Net income (loss)	$(69)	$484	$678	$1,347
Income (loss) per share of common stock:				
Income (loss) before extraordinary items	$(.17)	--	--	$.03
Extraordinary items	.15	.13	.18	.34
Net income	$(.02)	$.13	$.18	$.37

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#90297p9151 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

LINTHICUM, MD. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: NCTI) today announced that it will temporarily reduce the exercise price of 2,385,913 of its outstanding common stock purchase warrants from $1 per share to $.40 per share for the period commencing on Oct. 24, 1990, and ending on Nov. 23, 1990, which period may be extended by the company for up to an additional 18 days (the warrant exercise price reduction offer period). Each warrant is exercisable to purchase one share of the company's common stock.

During the warrant exercise price reduction offer period, holders of warrants will be able to exercise their warrants at a reduced warrant exercise price of $.40 per share. At the conclusion of the warrant exercise price reduction offer period, the warrant exercise price will revert to $1 per share through expiration of the warrants at varying dates through December 1992. Any shares of common stock issued upon exercise of the warrants subsequent to Oct. 31, 1990, may not be registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and as a consequence would be subject to investment restrictions.

Between June 4, 1990 and July 2, 1990 (the first exercise period), the company temporarily reduced the exercise price of the same class of warrants from $1 per share to $.40 per share (the first warrant exercise price reduction offer). Of the 3,817,972 warrants outstanding on June 4, 1990, 1,324,296 warrants were exercised pursuant to the first warrant exercise price reduction offer during the first exercise period, resulting in the company's issuance of a like number of shares of its common stock and its receipt as a consequence thereof of an aggregate consideration of $529,718.40

Between Aug. 7, 1990, and Oct. 14, 1990 (the second exercise period), the company temporarily reduced the exercise price of the same class of warrants from $1 per share to $.40 per share (the second warrant exercise price reduction offer). Of the 2,493,676 warrants outstanding on Aug. 7, 1990, 57,763 warrants were exercised pursuant to the second warrant exercise price reduction offer during the second exercise period, resulting in the company's issuance of a like number of shares of its common stock and its receipt as a consequence of an aggregate consideration of $23,105.20.

As a result of lower stock prices in general as well as the bid price for the company's common stock during the second exercise period as compared to the first seven months of 1990, the company has determined to again lower the warrant exercise price during the warrant exercise price reduction offer period to provide its warrantholders with another opportunity to exercise their warrants. The company believes that the exercise of the warrants will be in the best interest of the company by increasing stockholders' equity.

The closing bid price for the company's common stock, as reported by NASDAQ, was $9/16 per share on Oct. 23, 1990.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Radix Ventures Inc. today announced consolidated results for the 12 months ended July 31, 1990.

RADIX VENTURES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

12 months ended July 31:	1990	1989
Gross billings	$380,402,839	$292,226,223
Less duty, freight and other direct costs	353,360,191	271,092,771
Net fees and commissions	27,042,648	21,133,452
Operating expenses	26,205,105	20,352,007
Operating income	837,543	781,445
Interest expense, net	(455,385)	(152,835)
Income before income taxes	382,158	628,610
Income taxes	171,576	182,642
Net income	210,582	445,968
Net income per share (based on 771,500 shares outstanding)	$0.27	$0.58

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Metropolitan Life Insurance Company today provided a real incentive to Americans to look for their old MetLife "industrial" insurance policies. The policies could, the company said, be worth three to four times their original insurance value.

The big insurer made the announcement as it launched its national "Family Reunion" program in New York City. The program is a search for owners and beneficiaries of MetLife "industrial" policies purchased at least 26 years ago when MetLife agents went door-to-door collecting premiums of as little as a nickel a week. Issued for amounts of less than $1,000 before 1965, these policies were generally purchased by hard-working families.

"We want to reestablish contact with these customers to let most of them know that their MetLife coverage is greater than they thought," said MetLife CEO Robert G. Schwartz. "This is our way of saying 'thank you' to the people whose business built our company."

The Family Reunion program will consist of direct mail, nostalgic advertising, public information efforts through the news media, and community outreach and personal contacts by both active and retired sales force representatives - supported by teleservicing centers.

"Our program, we hope, will bring millions of Americans good news," said Robert J. Crimmins, executive vice-president of MetLife. Nationally, the company is looking to contact approximately five million industrial insurance policyholders. The policies have a combined insurance value of more than $4.2 billion, according to Crimmins.

Crimmins explained that New York State, with its high percentage of MetLife policyholders, will be the first state to roll out under the national program. It is a key area in the national Family Reunion search, with an estimated 475,000 policies worth more than $427 million of insurance value.

Since a pilot program began in Connecticut last year, MetLife has reestablished contact with more than 100,000 customers and paid out more than $3 million to beneficiaries, many of whom were unaware that an insurance policy existed. Without this proactive effort, some of these benefits might one day have been added to the nation's spiraling unclaimed property pool, which today stands at more than $11 billion.

With its Family Reunion effort, MetLife, the largest provider of personal insurance to the nation's retirees, hopes to provide another example of its commitment to quality service.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Gulf Canada Resources Ltd. (Toronto, Montreal: GOU) has declared a dividend of $0.10 per share for the company's ordinary shares for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990. The dividend is payable on Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 30, 1990. Dividends were declared on the company's fixed/adjustable rate Senior Preference Shares, Series 1, for the months of November and December 1990. The dividends are payable, in amounts to be determined under the terms of those preference shares, on Dec. 12, 1990, and Jan. 14, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 30 and Dec. 31, 1990, respectively.

Dividends were also declared for the months of November and December 1990, on the company's Redeemable Auction Perpetual Senior Preference Shares, Series 2, payable, in amounts to be determined under terms of those shares, on Nov. 30 and Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 22 and Dec. 19, 1990, respectively.

CONTACT: Craig Langpap of Gulf Canada Resources Ltd., 403-233-4341

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#90297p9168 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
PETERSBURG, VA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - At its monthly meeting on Oct. 22, 1990, the Board of Directors of Brenco, Incorporated (NASDAQ: BREN) elected Frederic W. Yocum a director of the corporation.

Frederic W. Yocum is currently President, Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Acquisition Corporation. This company is affiliated with Railroad Development Corporation in Pittsburgh, Pa., and was established for the purpose of buying the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Company. Upon RDC's purchase of the P&LE, Mr. Yocum would become its President and CEO.

Prior to joining RDC this year, Mr. Yocum spent seventeen years with CSX-Transportation and predecessors. CSX-Transportation is the rail component of CSX Corporation, a large transportation and holding company. Mr. Yocum held several jobs with CSX-T and its predecessors at the vice presidential level, including Vice President - Transportation, Vice President - Service and Vice President - Car Management. During his tenure at CSX-T he had responsibility at various time for day-to-day field operations in transportation, mechanical, and engineering as well as staff activities including cogeneration, industrial development, customer service, and plant rationalization. Mr. Yocum chaired internal committees with responsibility for setting policy and direction for data processing and hazardous materials.

Mr. Yocum also worked for Chicago and North Western Transportation Company in various transportation and operations capacities for four years. During the period 1977-1979, Mr. Yocum served as Vice President - Operations and Marketing of the United States Railway Association. He was responsible for USRA's monitoring of Conrail in all areas except for finance. In that capacity he also testified extensively to congressional subcommittees with transportation responsibility.

A graduate of Ursinus College (BS-Chemistry), Mr. Yocum also holds an MA in Science, Technology, and Public Policy from Case Western Reserve University. He has served as a Director of the Terminal Railroad Association of St. Louis, the Toledo Terminal Railway, and the Illinois Terminal Railroad. He has also served as a member of the committee on Car Service and of the Freight Equipment Management Program of the Association of American Railroads.

CONTACT: Jacob M. Feichtner, Executive Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, Brenco, Incorporated, 804-732-0202

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#90297p9172 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Chemicals Inc. (NYSE: STX) reported revenues and earnings for its fourth quarter and its 1990 fiscal year each ended Sept. 30, 1909.

Revenues for the fourth quarter were $161.8 million compared to revenues of $103.1 million for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989, an increase of 56.9 percent. Net income was $25.0 million for the quarter vs. $7.6 million for the same quarter of the previous fiscal year, an increase of 228.9 percent. On a per share basis, net income was 45 cents for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 vs. 14 cents for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989, an increase of 221.4 percent.

Revenues for Sterling's 1990 fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $506.0 million compared to revenues of $580.8 million for fiscal 1989, a decrease of 12.9 percent. Net income was $59.1 million for the 1990 fiscal year vs. $103.9 million for the previous fiscal year, a decrease of $43.1 percent. On a per share basis, net income was $1.07 for the 1990 fiscal year vs. $1.77 for the 1989 fiscal year, a decrease of 39.5 percent.

Sterling's earnings from operations for the quarter just ended improved significantly over those of the same quarter in 1989, primarily because of the strong performance of styrene monomer. For the quarter, styrene and related product volumes increased 13 percent and gross margins were more than twice those experienced in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Styrene was in relatively tight supply compared to a year ago, primarily as a result of lower than normal inventory levels following the severe weather conditions and resulting plant outages that occurred last winter and industry operating problems which have continued to plague manufacturers since the spring. Market conditions for acrylonitrile have improved slightly from the same quarter last year, allowing the company to move greater volumes. However margins have not improved significantly because of a weak synthetic fibers market and rapid increases in raw material prices, principally propylene, after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Sterling Chemicals is a major producer of seven intermediate petrochemical products -- styrene monomer, acrylonitrile, acetic acid, plasticizers, lactic acid, tertiary butylamine and sodium cyanide. Sterling Chemicals is headquartered in Houston. The company's stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol STX.

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#90297p9173 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The Kroger Co. (NYSE: KR) said today that the settlement of shareholder lawsuits filed around the time of the company's 1988 corporate restructuring has been overturned by a state appellate court on procedural grounds.

The settlement agreement was approved on March 30, 1989, by the Hamilton County, Ohio, Court of Common Pleas, but this approval was then appealed by two plaintiffs who had objected to the settlement.

As a result of the court's decision, the original terms and conditions on the company's junior subordinated discount debentures remain in effect. The debentures were issued to Kroger shareholders as part of the special dividend paid in the restructuring.

They were issued as 20-year bonds, with no cash interest paid in the first five years after issuance. After five years, the debentures pay cash interest semi-annually at a 15-1/2 percent annual rate. The bonds are callable at face value at any time with no premium.

In the settlement, Kroger had agreed to make certain changes in the terms of the discount debentures, contingent upon final judicial approval of the settlement, including shortening the maturity date of the debentures by two years and adding a call premium for redeeming the debentures before seven years from the date of issue.

The Company said it was reviewing the Court's decision. Noting that the ruling was based entirely on procedural grounds, Kroger said that it continues to believe that the shareholder suits are totally without merit.

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#90297p9174 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Pfizer's Specialty Minerals Group today announced plans to construct a headquarters building in Bethlehem, Pa., to house its rapidly expanding precipitated calcium carbonate satellite plant operations.

Watson Hart, design/construction manager, said ground for the 30,000-foot headquarters will be broken in November at Bethlehem Industrial Park close by Pfizer's Minerals Research Center, which opened there in 1988. Scheduled for occupancy next July, the two-story structure will include administrative, sales and marketing offices as well as design, engineering and construction space.

Precipitated calcium carbonate (PCC) is a specialty pigment used for coating and filling premium quality paper. Satellite plants built at paper mill sites produce a slurry form of PCC, which is piped directly into the adjacent mills. In the computerized process, locally sourced lime is reacted with water and carbon dioxide recovered from the mill's stack gas, thereby reducing air emissions while cutting shipping costs.

Since the satellite program was launched in 1986 at Consolidated Paper in Wisconsin Rapids, Pfizer has built 17 PCC plants in the United States and at major mills in Canada and Japan. By the end of 1991, Pfizer said, 13 more satellites will be "on line" in the United States with additional units scheduled for construction in Europe and Asia.

According to Paul MacDonald, director of PCC Satellite Operations, the building will house some 75 current employees and is designed to allow further expansion "well into the 90s."

Pfizer's PCC technology has facilitated a major paper industry trend away from its traditional acid-based process to a more cost-effective alkaline system, MacDonald said, adding that key environmental benefits are also driving the transition to alkaline paper in U.S. and foreign markets.

The alkaline system produces a brighter, stronger sheet with improved opacity and an "almost endless" shelf life, he said. Unlike the acid process, it permits substitution of a mineral pigment for wood fiber and reduces requirements for titanium dioxide and other chemicals. At the same time, it is less corrosive and generates less effluent than the acid method.

"The PCC satellite program has enjoyed phenomenal industry acceptance from the beginning," MacDonald said. The first satellite unit at Consolidated Paper in Wisconsin Rapids is now in its third expansion to keep pace with the growth of the paper industry in and around Wisconsin. New plants will go on-stream this fall at the James River Communication Papers Group in Camas, Wash., and at Weyerhaeuser Paper Company in Plymouth, N.C.

Pfizer Inc. is a diversified, research-based health care company with businesses in pharmaceuticals, hospital products, animal health, consumer products, specialty chemicals and specialty minerals. The company reported sales of approximately $5.7 billion for 1989.

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both of Pfizer

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#90297p9183 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAYNE, PA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - SunGard Data Systems Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SNDT) announced today that it completed the previously announced acquisition of Phase3 Systems Inc. on Oct. 22, 1990.

In the transaction, Phase3's stockholders received approximately 837,000 shares of SunGard common stock for all of the stock of Phase3.

Phase3 is a leading provider of investment support software and processing services to commercial banks, brokerage firms and other financial

institutions. Its principal product, the Phase3 System(TM), is a fully integrated, real-time securities transaction processing system for both equity and fixed income instruments. The company currently has about 35 customers nationwide and employs about 100 professionals at its offices in Waltham, Mass. John H. Harkins, president, and the other three founders of Phase3 will continue to manage the company, which has joined the SunGard Financial Systems Group.

James L. Mann, SunGard chairman, president and chief executive officer, said of the acquisition: "Phase3 is a strong and strategic addition to our investment support product offerings. The Phase3 System has developed an excellent reputation in the marketplace, recently having added some impressive money center bank names as customers. In addition to strengthening our position in the high end of the bank capital markets area, Phase3 also brings to SunGard a strong product for market niches we have targeted but not yet addressed. Phase3's management team has achieved an impressive record, and the company's emphasis on recurring revenues fits the SunGard profile very well."

SunGard Data Systems Inc., based in Wayne, is the only large specialized provider of proprietary investment support systems to the financial services industry, including portfolio management, investment accounting, performance measurement, employee benefit reporting, trust accounting, and securities and derivative instrument trading systems. SunGard is also the pioneer and a leading provider of comprehensive computer center disaster recovery services. Its common stock is reported on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol SNDT.

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#90297p9184 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAYNE, PA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - SunGard Data Systems Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SNDT) announced today that it completed the previously announced acquisition of Phase3 Systems Inc. on Oct. 22, 1990.

In the transaction, Phase3's stockholders received approximately 837,000 shares of SunGard common stock for all of the stock of Phase3.

Phase3 is a leading provider of investment support software and processing services to commercial banks, brokerage firms and other financial institutions. Its principal product, the Phase3 System(TM), is a fully integrated, real-time securities transaction processing system for both equity and fixed income instruments. The company currently has about 35 customers nationwide and employs about 100 professionals at its offices in Waltham, Mass. John H. Harkins, president, and the other three founders of Phase3 will continue to manage the company, which has joined the SunGard Financial Systems

Group.

SunGard Data Systems Inc., based in Wayne, is the only large specialized provider of proprietary investment support systems to the financial services industry, including portfolio management, investment accounting, performance measurement, employee benefit reporting, trust accounting, and securities and derivative instrument trading systems. SunGard is also the pioneer and a leading provider of comprehensive computer center disaster recovery services. Its common stock is reported on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol SNDT.

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#90297p9189 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEDIA, PA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - VWR Corp. (NASDAQ: VWRX) today reported that income from operations for the third quarter was $4,842,000 up 33 percent over the last year.

Sales of $112,316,000 for the quarter increased 21 percent, a record for the company. Net income from continuing operations of $2,020,000 (38 cents per share) represented an improvement of 35 percent over third quarter 1989 results.

For the nine-month period, income from operations rose 17 percent, sales were up 20 percent, and net income from continuing operations increased 10 percent, compared to the same period in 1989. Earnings per share from continuing operations for the nine months were $1.05, compared to 94 cents for the same period in 1989.

The company noted that the record sales gain for the third quarter was a result of growth in VWR's core scientific business and positive effects from the acquisitions of Sargent-Welch Scientific Co. and Oxford Scientific Laboratories of London, Ontario, Canada. The companies were acquired, respectively, in September 1989 and April 1990.

"All segments of the company showed solid sales gains," said Jerrold B. Harris president and chief executive officer of VWR Corp. "Our core scientific business had a strong third quarter with improvements in both market share and selling margins. Order rates for Sargent-Welch science/education products have substantially improved. This business is now meeting our goal of regaining its market position as a result of positive reaction by our high school through junior college customers to significant improvements we have made in service."

Harris also noted that VWR had announced the implementation of an ESOP (Employee Stock Ownership Plan) during the quarter. "The plan, which will

eventually provide for up to 6 percent employee ownership, supports our company's commitment to strong employee involvement," Harris said. "We also believe it will have a positive impact on long- term shareholder value."

Looking to the future, Harris said that the company had not experienced any downturns as a result of the current economic uncertainty. "While remaining cautious, we are proceeding with planned investments and commitments which will provide long-term benefits for VWR Corp."

VWR Corp., headquartered in Media, is the nation's second largest distributor of laboratory supplies and equipment, with annual sales in excess of $400 million.

VWR CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited; in thousands, except for per-share data)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$112,316	$92,728	$324,042	$270,664
Cost of sales	85,198	71,763	247,815	209,500
Gross margin	27,118	20,965	76,227	61,164
Operating expenses	22,276	17,336	62,835	49,740
Income from operations	4,842	3,629	13,392	11,424
Interest expense	(1,741)	(918)	(4,084)	(2,483)
Other expense-net	--	--	(62)	(22)
Income from operations before income taxes	3,368	2,711	9,246	8,919
Income taxes	1,348	1,212	3,688	3,879
Income from continuing operations	2,020	1,499	5,558	5,040
Loss of companies distributed	--	(814)	(269)	(1,085)
Net income	2,020	685	5,289	3,955
Earnings (loss) per share:				
Continuing operations	$.38	$.28	$1.05	$.94
Companies distributed	--	(.15)	(.05)	(.20)
Total	.38	.13	1.00	.74
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	5,322	5,266	5,270	5,357

VWR. CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Percentage Changes Compared With Similar
Period of the Prior Year

Periods ended Sept. 30, 1990	Three months	Nine months
Sales	21	20
Gross margin dollars	29	25

Operating expenses	28	26
Income from operations	33	17
Net income from continuing operations	35	10

VWR CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Balance Sheets
(Thousands of dollars)

	Sept. 30, 1990 (Unaudited)	Dec. 31, 1989
Assets:		
Receivables	$65,004	$54,599
Inventories	35,666	36,498
Other	4,484	5,585
Total current assets	105,154	96,682
Property and equipment-net	32,783	31,345
Net assets of companies distributed	--	30,000
Other assets	3,912	4,387
Total	141,849	162,414
Liabilities and shareholders' equity:		
Bank checks outstanding less cash in bank	$5,575	$8,322
Current portion of long-term debt	404	370
Accounts payable and other	34,000	33,352
Total current liabilities	39,979	42,044
Long-term debt	62,505	55,612
Deferred income taxes and other	5,811	4,841
Shareholders' equity	33,554	59,917
Total	141,849	162,414

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#90297p9192 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - FileNet Corp. (NASDAQ: FILE) stated today that a class action has been filed by one of its stockholders naming FileNet, FileNet's Board of Directors and FileNet's Vice President -- Finance and Chief Financial Officer as defendants. The suit, filed in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, alleges that during the period from March 27, 1990, through Sept. 29, 1990, FileNet published false and misleading reports, and concealed material information, concerning its financial condition and future prospects for its principal products and claims that such reports and actions were in violation of federal securities laws and constituted negligent misrepresentation under state law.

Ted Smith, President and Chief Executive Officer of FileNet state that in his

opinion the suit is without merit and that the defendants intend to vigorously contest the suit.

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#90297p9196 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Keegan Management Company (NASDAQ: KMCI) today reported results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Operating revenues from the company's 44 Nutri/System Centers for the period were $4,749,000. In the third quarter of 1989 operating revenues were $13,305,000, of which $5,304,000 was revenue from non-California operations. The company's 31 California Nutri/System Centers were sold May 30, 1990.

The company reported an operating loss for the third quarter 1990 of $794,000 compared to operating income of $751,000 in last year's third quarter. Net loss for the third quarter 1990 was $375,000 or $.09 per share compared to net income of $398,000 or $.14 per share one year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, operating revenues were $26,008,000 compared to $36,383,000 for the like 1989 period. Included in such operating revenues were revenues of $15,901,000 and $15,159,000 from non-California operations. The operating loss for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $1,578,000 compared to operating income of $2,541,000 in the like period of 1989. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30 1990, was $5,640,000 or $1.35 per share compared to $1,365,000 or $.47 per share in last year's first nine months. The results for the 1990 period reflect a net income of $6,460,000 or $1.54 per share from the sale of 31 Nutri/System Centers in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Keegan Management Company owns and operates 44 Nutri/System Centers in Michigan, Kentucky, Ohio, Iowa, Indiana, Kansas and Nebraska.

KEEGAN MANAGEMENT COMPANY
Summary of Operations
(In Thousands, Except Per Share Results)

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating Revenues	$ 4,749	$13,305	$26,008	$36,383
Income (Loss) From Operations	(794)	751	(1,578)	2,541
Other Income (Expense)	203	(88)	11,078(i)	(266)
Income (Loss) Before				

Income Taxes	(591)	663	9,500	2,275
Provision for Income Taxes	(216)	265	3,860	910
Net Income (Loss)	$ (375)	$ 398	$ 5,640	$ 1,365
Net Income (Loss) Per Share	$ (.09)	$ .14	$ 1.35	$ .47
Average Common Stock and Common Stock Equivalents Outstanding	4,171	2,900	4,183	2,900

(i) -- Includes $10,767 gain from sale of 31 Nutri/System Centers in San Francisco Bay Area.

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#90297p9199 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - NeuroGenesis, Inc. (traded in Pink Sheets as NeuroGenesis) today announced that Robert W. Baldwin has been appointed president of the company. He replaces Albert Bieser.

Robert W. Baldwin, 69, holds a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from the University of Houston (1949). Between 1975 and 1981, Baldwin served as president of Gulf Oil Refining and Marketing Company, a subsidiary of the Gulf Oil Corporation. Since retiring from Gulf in 1981, Baldwin has worked principally as an independent oil and gas consultant and served as president of American Completion and Development Corporation, an oil and gas investment company, from 1982 through 1984. Baldwin presently serves as a member of the board of directors of the Rowan Companies, Inc., and as an advisory director of Harken Energy Corporation. Baldwin is also a member of the board of directors of Mitchell Energy & Development Corporation.

NeuroGenesis, Inc. and its subsidiary, Matrix Technologies, Inc., are Houston-based pharmaceutical companies developing and marketing amino acid food supplements for the specific needs of people suffering from addictive and compulsive behaviors.

CONTACT: Robert W. Baldwin of NeuroGenesis

-30- 1416

#90297p9200 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (Oct. 24) PR Newswire - WICOR, Inc. (NYSE: WIC), the Milwaukee-based parent of Wisconsin Gas Company and Sta-Rite Industries, Inc., reported a third-quarter loss of $8 million, or 58 cents per share, compared with a loss of $5.4 million, or 39 cents per share, for the quarter last year. The third quarter traditionally is a period of loss for WICOR because

Wisconsin Gas Company's sales are at their lowest during the summer, according to Stuart W. Tisdale, president and chief executive officer of WICOR.

WICOR's third-quarter operating revenues were $113.3 million vs. $115.1 million in 1989. Quarterly earnings declined at both subsidiaries.

As part of Sta-Rite's long-term strategy to strengthen its water products operations, Tisdale announced plans to pursue the potential divestiture of two of the manufacturing firm's business units, the Fluid Power Group and the Heating Group.

Reporting third-quarter results for WICOR's two subsidiaries, Tisdale said operating revenues at Sta-Rite were $62.4 million, compared with $65.9 million for the period last year. He cited the continuing softness of key markets, slowed by sluggish real estate activity and the overall downturn in the economy, as the reason for the decline in sales. As a result, earnings for the quarter were $0.7 million, compared with $1.5 million for the period last year.

At Wisconsin Gas Company, third-quarter operating revenues were $50.4 million, compared with $48.9 million in 1989. The company reported a quarterly loss of $8.7 million vs. a loss of $6.9 million for the period last year.

Increases in other operating expenses, depreciation and interest expense accounted for the remainder of the earnings decrease this quarter.

The WICOR board of directors Tuesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 36 cents per share of common stock. The annual rate is $1.44. The dividend is payable Nov. 30 to shareholders of record Nov. 9.

WICOR is a Milwaukee-based holding company. Its primary subsidiaries are Wisconsin Gas Company, the state's largest natural gas distributor, and Sta-Rite Industries, a manufacturer of pumps and other fluids-handling equipment and controls.

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#90297p9208 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CA (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - KLM Royal Dutch Airlines today announced that it has taken options on five additional McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) MD-11 long-range trijet transports.

In the first quarter of this year, the Netherlands' national carrier placed firm orders for 10 aircraft, with options for another five. The carrier now has a total of 10 firm orders and 10 options for the MD-11. With a value estimated at $1.3 billion for the 10 firm bookings plus spare parts and

services, it was the largest single purchase ever made by KLM.

If exercised, deliveries of the five additional options are scheduled for 1998 and 1999. KLM plans to accept its first MD-11 in December 1993 with deliveries of the other firm orders continuing through November 1995.

Russell L. Ray Jr., vice president commercial marketing for Douglas Aircraft Co. said the deal "confirms that the MD-11's particular size and range provide operators such as KLM with a dependable workhorse for today's tough market.

"KLM chose the MD-11's three-engine economy after a long and intensive competition with the twin jet Boeing 767 and the four- engined Airbus A340," he said.

KLM's MD-11s will seat 270 passengers in a three-class arrangement that includes a large business section. The airline plans to use the MD-11 on its long-range routes and to develop service to new destinations.

The MD-11 offers a wider passenger cabin that allows KLM to emphasize passenger comfort and quality in service. The new trijet also features an advanced, two-person cockpit, flexible interiors designed for quick cabin rearrangement, and other advanced features enhancing maintenance support. With 6,850 cubic feet (194 cu m) of lower-deck cargo space, the MD-11 also provides significantly more room than any other aircraft for loading revenue freight after passengers' bags are stowed -- a feature particularly important in KLM's planned operations.

In addition, the McDonnell Douglas trijet family concept allows airlines advantages in commonality when considering ways to expand revenue cargo business. An MD-11 combi, which carries passengers and cargo on the main deck and freighter versions are also being built.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, McDonnell Douglas had received 375 commitments from 32 customers for its MD-11 trijets.

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#90297p9209 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CALIF. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The massive tooling surrounding the first U.S. Air Force-McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) C-17 production airlifter has been rolled back, and the aircraft is now moving forward on its own landing gear.

Workers at the Douglas Aircraft Co. facility in Long Beach moved the first production airlifter out of the specially constructed, laser-controlled fuselage alignment tool, and on to its landing gear.

The second aircraft in the C-17 production line will be part of the C-17 ground and flight test program before being delivered to the Military Airlift Command. The milestone event took place just three weeks after successful pressure testing of the first C-17, the flight test airlifter, destined to fly by June 1991.

The C-17 is designed to carry large Army and Marine Corps. combat equipment, troops and cargo and humanitarian aid directly from the United States to small austere airfields overseas.

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#90297p9212 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON, DC (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - John Viglianti, vice president/senior development director for Western Development Corporation of Washington, D.C., issued the following statement regarding today's decision by the Michigan Supreme Court denying an application for leave to appeal and a motion for preliminary injunction sought by the City of Lake Angelus to halt work on the Auburn Mills mall development in Auburn Hills, Mich.:

"This is an important victory for Western Development Corporation and Auburn Mills. We are pleased with today's Michigan Supreme Court decision, which upholds earlier rulings on the same issues by the Michigan Court of Appeals and the Oakland County Circuit Court. This allows the Auburn Mills project to continue on schedule."

"We look forward to the next step in our plan to introduce value - oriented retail to southeastern Michigan, as well as bringing thousands of new jobs and millions of dollars in increased tax revenues to the region."

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#90297p9215 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Maurice J. DeWald, managing partner of KPMG Peat Marwick in Los Angeles, today announced his retirement from the firm effective the latter part of 1991. He is succeeded by Clarence T. Schmitz, current partner-in-charge of the audit practice in Los Angeles. DeWald will remain in a senior advisory role to assist through the transition. A new partner-in- charge of audit in Los Angeles will be announced at a later date.

Management changes in Los Angeles coincide with a nationwide organizational restructuring of the firm, aimed at effectively responding to the needs of the

marketplace in the 1990s.

At the annual partners' meeting earlier this month, the firm's 1,850 partners approved changes in the bylaws to separate governance of the partnership from daily management of the firm's operations. As part of these changes, the partners approved the creation of a board of directors which will be responsible for policy, planning and oversight of the partnership's affairs. Subsequently, the new board decided to create a management committee, which comprises 13 area partners responsible for the business operations of Peat Marwick and implementing the board's policies.

"The area partner concept represents a very progressive step for professional services firms," stated DeWald. He went on to explain, "Peat Marwick has essentially created a new, flatter organizational structure that encourages a team approach and translates into improved service delivery for our clients."

In light of these changes, DeWald, 50, has chosen to take early retirement in order to pursue other interests. "This represents the completion of a very rewarding 28-year career for me with an outstanding organization. I believe the time is right for me to pursue other business opportunities and devote more time to my commitments in the Los Angeles community," stated DeWald.

DeWald served in the Chicago and San Jose offices of Peat Marwick after graduating from the University of Notre Dame in 1962. He later served as managing partner of the Orange County office for nine years and subsequently relocated to Chicago to head that office. In 1986, DeWald was named managing partner of the Los Angeles office, the third largest Peat Marwick office in the nation.

"During his career, DeWald has served a wide range of clients including high technology, financial institutions and multinational companies. Under his leadership the size of the Los Angeles practice has nearly doubled during the past four years. It will be a challenge to maintain the momentum created by Maury DeWald," commented Schmitz.

The Los Angeles area practice of KPMG Peat Marwick encompasses downtown Los Angeles and offices in Long Beach, Century City, Woodland Hills, Ventura and Las Vegas. The firm provides accounting, auditing, tax and management consulting services to clients of all sizes through 135 offices throughout the United States.

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#90297p9216 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Pit Stop Auto Centers Inc. (NASDAQ: PSAC) today announced its board of directors had rejected a proposal

submitted by Grease Monkey Holding Corp. of Denver, Colo. (NASDAQ: GMHC) to acquire Pit Stop.

The proposal was made by Grease Monkey on Oct. 23, 1990, on the heels of an announcement by Pit Stop that it had halted negotiations for the acquisition of Grease Monkey.

Pit Stop successfully completed a $4 million common stock offering on July 31, 1990, and is expanding its holdings of quick oil change centers in the Phoenix Ariz. area.

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#90297p9219 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Hotelecopy, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FAXM) has filed a claim seeking recovery of $5.25 million invested in its joint venture FaxMail program with the U.S. Postal Service. The Miami-based firm cited Postal Service non-compliance with its contractual obligations to provide merchandising and awareness support. Hotelecopy and the Postal Service, nevertheless, are continuing their joint venture, going forward with the FaxMail program.

"The filing of our claim does not in itself terminate our joint venture contract," W. Edd Helms Jr., Hotelecopy chairman and chief executive officer emphasized. "The year-long test program, initiated in November, 1989, has been extended by the Postal Service to run from Nov. 1, 1990 to Oct. 31, 1991. We have pledged to continue the program and are optimistic that recovery of our $5.25 million investment will add impetus to our combined effort."

Helms pointed out that the Postal Service has made "another positive move indicating, as they have in the past, that they will commit marketing support to insure the success of our joint venture. Hotelecopy, however, is maintaining a status-quo attitude as to whether these statements of commitment translate into reality."

In explaining the joint venture relationship with the U.S. Postal Service, Helms said the contract called for Hotelecoy to install, at its own expense, highly sophisticated credit card-operated, self-service FaxMail terminals costing upwards of $10,000 each, in 265 post office locations nationwide. "We absorbed costs for installing, supplying and maintaining these units and agreed to pay the Postal Service a rental fee of $200 per machine, in addition to a revenue-sharing percentage based on consumer usage.

"This was a no-lose situation for the Postal Service," Helms declared,

"allowing them, at no cost, to build critically needed revenue, while simultaneously using the allure and convenience of FaxMail to attract the large numbers of consumers who have left the Post Office in recent years for the proliferating number of private postal facilities.

Joint Venture a Two-Way Street "A joint venture is a two-way street that calls for obligations each partner must carry out," said Helms. "Hotelecopy conformed with its contractual commitments, but the Postal Service has not." According to Helms, the joint venture contract obligated the United States Postal Service to support the FaxMail program with a sustained marketing effort, including a national print and direct mail campaign.

"Indicative of their non-compliance," said Helms, "is the fact that while our first FaxMail units went on line Nov. 7, 1989, it wasn't until June 19, 1990 -- more than seven months later -- that they finally agreed to participate in a press conference formally introducing the program."

Helms also cited the appearance of a Postal Service advertisement in the Wall Street Journal and USA Today on Sept. 27, 1990, more than ten months following installation of Hotelcopy's first units, "as yet another example of 'too little, too late.' " This ad was hurriedly put together," Helms remarked, "obviously with little thought given to its creativity, layout or the audiences for whom it was intended. We were never consulted, as we should have been, in helping to make this a more effective piece.

"Our contractual agreement guaranteed a full-scale marketing effort on the part of the Postal Service, designed to assure the program's success. Without the promised marketing support most consumers are unaware that FaxMail is available in selected post office locations, and it follows that usage is scant.

"As stated, Hotelecopy continues to honor its contractual obligations of this joint venture, but as a publicly held company we are committed to protecting our shareholders," Helms advised. "It would be imprudent to allow this current situation to indefinitely hamper our company's overall progress and jeopardize our shareholders' investments.

"The absence of marketing impacted negatively on our $5.25 million investment, our revenues and our stock price. We are left with no alternative other than the claim we've filed," he said. Under the Government Disputes Act, the Postal Service has 60 initial days in which to respond to this claim, Helms noted.

Ray of Light "The bright ray of light," said Helms, "is that the Postal Service has now recommitted to an aggressive national marketing campaign. We are hopeful that they will begin meeting their marketing obligations to allow the post office FaxMail program to achieve the same level of success for the Postal Service as FaxMail has achieved in hotels for Hotelecopy.

"Lending truth to our own research, the Postal Service has just confirmed an 82 percent consumer satisfaction ratio, based on responses from consumers queried in a recent U.S. Postal Service survey on FaxMail," Helms added.

"We see this response as a demand from the public that the Postal Service continue to provide FaxMail service to its customers."

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#90297p9220 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CONN. (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Kathryn Scott Fuller, president and chief executive officer of World Wildlife Fund and The Conservation Foundation has been elected to the Northeast Utilities Board of Trustees.

Northeast Utilities (NYSE: NU) is New England's largest electric utility system, serving about 1.25 million customers in Connecticut and western Massachusetts.

World Wildlife Fund supports over 3,000 projects in over 140 countries and is the largest private conservation organization working worldwide to conserve nature.

Fuller became president of World Wildlife Fund in February 1989, replacing William K. Reilly, who became administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency. Reilly served as an NU trustee from 1986 until 1989.

Fuller joined World Wildlife Fund in 1982 and served as the organization's executive vice president, general counsel, and director of public policy and TRAFFIC (USA), World Wildlife Fund's wildlife trade monitoring unit, before being named president. Previously, Fuller had been a trial attorney and chief of the Wildlife and Marine Resources Section of the United States Justice Department.

"Kathryn Fuller will help us greatly in understanding and fulfilling the responsibilities we have in conducting our business," said William B. Ellis, NU chairman and chief executive officer. "She is and excellent addition to our board."

Fuller received her bachelor's degree from Brown University and her law degree from the University of Texas. She pursued graduate studies in Marine, Estuarine and Environmental Science from the University of Maryland and is a recipient of the United Nations Environment Programme's Global 500 Award.

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(home), both of Northeast Utilities

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#90297p9228 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, Texas (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Cash America Investments Inc. (NYSE; PWN) announced today quarterly cash dividend.

Daniel R. Feehan, president and chief operating officer announced today that at the quarterly board meeting held today a cash dividend of $.01 1/3 per share was declared Oct. 24, 1990, payable on Nov. 21, 1990 to shareholders of record as of the close of business Nov. 7, 1990. Feehan stated, "This is in keeping with the company's dividend policy of paying quarterly cash dividends and represents the company's seventh consecutive quarterly cash dividend since the policy was begun in April of last year."

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#90297p9235 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Munsingwear, Inc. (NYSE: MUN) today announced that it has executed a definitive agreement to sell its Leroi Princeton Division to DJS Industries, Inc., a Delaware corporation, formed for the purpose of acquiring LeRoi Princeton. DJS Industries is controlled by NCO Investors, L.P., an investment partnership formed by the principals of Nagelvoort & Company Inc., New York, and David J. Skidmore. The transaction is scheduled to close in early November.

It was also announced that during the transition period, Skidmore, formerly president of the Gold Toe Hosiery Division of Cluett, Peabody & Co., will participate and assist in the general management of the business. He will have particular involvement in the sales and marketing aspects of the business. Skidmore will be headquartered in the Division's New York sales office and will report directly to Charles J. Campbell, CEO of Munsingwear, in Minneapolis.

The LeRoi Princeton Division of Munsingwear manufactures and markets children's hosiery, sleepwear and playwear. The Division has production facilities in Princeton, Ky.

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#90297p9236 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Peter Faiman and Wayne Young, the director and associate producer of "Crocodile Dundee," have joined forces with Twentieth Century Fox and Interscope Communications to bring to the screen the animated musical fantasy "FernGully: The Last Rainforest," it was announced today (Oct. 24) by Roger Birnbaum, president, worldwide production for Twentieth Century Fox.

Inspired by the mystery and beauty of the rain forest, "FernGully: The Last Rainforest" traverses the borders of fantasy, magic and reality. The film tells a moving story of the forest's inhabitants, and how their world and "web of life" are put into jeopardy by the forces of destruction and ignorance.

Roger Birnbaum commented: "Twentieth Century Fox is excited to be involved in this collaboration of so many talented people to create a wondrous animated entertainment for audiences of all ages. We are also very proud to be involved with a project which addresses an issue of vital concern to the entire world."

"FernGully: The Last Rainforest" is produced by Young and Faiman, with Ted Field and Robert W. Cort of Interscope as executive producers. Jeff Dowd and Jaime Willet are co-executive producers. The film is directed by Bill Kroyer. The screenplay is written by Jim Cox, who scripted "Oliver & Co." and the upcoming animated features "Rescuers Down Under" and "Beauty and The Beast," and is based on a children's book by Diana Young. Cox also serves as co-producer. The film is set for release in November 1991, in the United States and Canada by Twentieth Century Fox.

Wayne Young said: "'FernGully' is a piece of modern mythology based on some very real concerns of our time. The film not only creates wonder and excitement, but tells a story of great importance."

As part of the preparation, the entire creative team traveled from Los Angeles to the Australian rain forest in February 1990 for an extended visit. Faiman wanted to ensure that everyone involved in making the film had first-hand experience of being in the rain forest. He said, "We want to capture the breath of the forest -- the light, the shade, the color, the sounds. We intend to bring this wonder into every frame of 'FernGully.'"

"FernGully: The Last Rainforest" is directed by Bill Kroyer, who was nominated for an Academy Award for Best Achievement in Short Films for his 1989 film "Technological Threat," the first film ever to combine hand-drawn and computer-generated characters. Disney- trained in the classic school of hand-drawn character animation, Kroyer drew characters for Disney's "Pete's Dragon" and "The Fox and the Hound," and directed sequences of computer-animated graphics for "Tron." He directed and animated the title sequence of Jim Henson's "Labyrinth" and recently directed the animated titles for "Honey, I Shrunk the Kids" and "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation." The animation production for "FernGully: The Last Rainforest" will be done by

Kroyer Films Inc.

Twentieth Century Fox is primarily engaged in the financing, development, production, distribution and marketing of motion pictures throughout the world and is a unit of Fox Inc.

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#90297p9239 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURLINGTON, NJ (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - FMS Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: FMCO) today reported a net loss of $211,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to net income of $454,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

Earnings for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was a net loss of $1.1 million, compared to net income of $1.2 million for the previous year.

The decline in earnings for the nine months, and the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, is due to the inclusion of the following: a specific loss reserve of $686,000 made to a below-investment-grade corporate bond; second mortgage loan loss of $74,000, net of $46,000 in loan reserves; a land loss reserve of $360,000 related to real estate owned by the bank's land development subsidiary; an $825,000 reserve on a single construction loan; and the loss on the sale of Bank of New England bonds of $549,000.

The corporation holds two additional corporate bonds which, subsequent to the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, have fallen below investment grade, and at the date of this release, are classified by the corporation as substandard assets. The market values of these securities are derived from independent sources and vary, based on indicated trading of such securities. Management is presently analyzing the realizable value of these securities in order to establish the proper amount of loss reserves. Management estimates that additional loss reserves, ranging from $972,000 to $1.2 million, will be required.

Core earnings from operations for the nine months and three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased over its comparable period in 1989, as evidenced by an increase in net interest income. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net interest and dividend income, before provision for loan losses, increased $348,000 from $6.2 million at Sept. 30, 1989, to $6.5 million at Sept. 30, 1990. For three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net interest and dividend income before provision for loan losses, increased by $472,000 from $1.8 million at Sept. 30, 1989, to $2.2 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

In addition, the corporation realized a growth in miscellaneous operating income of $440,000, increasing from $242,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, to $682,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the three

months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and the same period in 1989, miscellaneous operating income increased $268,000 from $41,000 to $309,000. The increase is due in part to activities related to the corporation's subsidiaries, FMS Financial Services, which began operations in 1989, and Land Financial Services Inc.

Provision for loan losses for the nine months ended, and the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $1.1 million, and $147,000 respectively. There were no provisions for loan losses in the comparable period for 1989.

For the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and the comparable periods in 1989, total operating expenses increased by $129,000 and $354,000, respectively, due to increased costs for health coverage, federal insurance premiums, occupancy and equipment and marketing.

During the third quarter, deposits increased by $13.4 million, from $319.6 million at June 30, 1990, to $333.0 million at Sept. 30, 1990. The increase was primarily attributed to the successful introduction of the bank's new product, the Best Bet Certificates of Deposit. Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $359.4 million, compared to $357.3 million reported at year end, Dec. 31, 1989.

FMS Financial Corp. continues to remain strong with a net worth of $21.9 million, which exceeds all current capital requirements.

FMS Financial Corp. is the holding company for Farmers' and Mechanics' Savings Bank S.L.A., headquartered in Burlington Township, N.J., and operating seven retail branches throughout Burlington County.

FMS FINANCIAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARY
Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited; in thousands)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest and dividend income:				
Loans	$6,329	$5,736	$18,737	$17,231
Mortgage-backed securities	1,068	1,253	3,247	3,817
Investment securities	939	926	2,868	2,943
Total interest and dividend income	9,336	7,915	24,852	23,991
Interest expense:				
Interest on deposits	6,006	6,144	17,849	17,701
Interest on borrowed money	111	24	470	105
Total interest expense	6,117	6,168	16,319	17,806
Net interest and dividend income	2,219	1,747	6,533	6,165
Provision for loan losses	147	0	1,083	0
Net interest and dividend income				

after provision for loan losses	2,072	1,747	5,450	6,185
Other income:				
Service charges and other fees	114	131	247	308
Profit (losses) on investment securities	0	650	(549)	651
Real estate held for investment	0	0	(243)	0
Mark-market on debt security	(686)	--	(686)	--
Miscellaneous operating income	309	41	682	242
Total other income (loss)	(263)	822	(549)	1,201
Operating expenses:				
Salaries and employee benefits	1,027	986	3,100	2,957
Occupancy and equipment	319	317	928	851
Purchased services	197	128	518	431
Federal insurance premium	183	151	522	451
Other	277	292	799	823
Total operating expenses	2,003	1,874	5,867	5,513
Income (loss) before income taxes	(194)	695	(966)	1,873
Income taxes	17	241	95	637
Net income (loss)	(211)	454	(1,061)	1,236
Earnings per common share	($.16)	$.35	($.82)	$.96

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LONDON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - A second record-setting long-range flight with a simulated airline payload in as many days has been completed successfully by a McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) MD-11 as part of its certification flight test program.

Bucking strong head winds of up to 100 knots, the big trijet landed at Gatwick Airport here at 5:03 p.m. local time after a trip of 13 hours and 24 minutes that began at Seoul, Korea. Total distance covered was 7005 miles (11,273 km).

On board were 37 passengers and crew and ballast to equal the total weight of 281 passengers and bags. McDonnell Douglas has asked the U.S. National Aeronautic Association to register the flight with the F.A.I. (International Federation of Aeronautics) as an official point-to-point world speed record between Seoul and London.

Yesterday the MD-11 completed a similar flight from Dallas, Texas to Seoul of 7266 miles (11,693 km) in 14 hours and 50 minutes.

Purpose of the long flights is to demonstrate operations for U.S. and European regulatory authorities under typical airline operating conditions, to very

accurately measure the aircraft's fuel consumption and to evaluate cockpit crew workload.

George G. Field, MD-11/DC-10 general manager of product definition, design and test, said, "Completion of these runs with significant payloads confirms the MD-11's ability to fly the long routes for which it was designed. The adverse winds at this time of year also provide a realistic picture of airline-type flying in worst case conditions."

The MD-11 landed with enough reserve fuel remaining to meet regulatory agency and airline margins for flying to an alternate airport if necessary. Three General Electric CF6-80C2 engines provided power.

Among those on board were McDonnell Douglas engineers, mechanics and others, and U.S Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) representatives, as well as two senior flight operations executives from Korean Air, one of 32 MD-11 customers.

At the controls were FAA evaluation pilot James Richmond and McDonnell Douglas engineering pilot Paul Shall. Also flying a portion of the flight was McDonnell Douglas pilot Bob McGill.

The route carried the MD-11 northward from Seoul, over the Sea of Japan, on a northwest path over the Soviet Union, across northern Scandinavia and south into London.

This was the first time a McDonnell Douglas flight test aircraft has received permission to use Soviet air space. Last month, however, an MD-80 twin jet built by the company participated in an air show at Moscow and performed flight demonstrations for airline officials and news media.

The MD-11 is nearing the end of a 2,000-hour flight test program that began last Jan. 10 and has involved five aircraft, including the one completing today's flight.

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#90297p9249 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Transco Energy Co. (NYSE: E) President and Chief Executive Officer George S. Slocum said today that the company will delay release of third quarter results pending Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) action on the request for a stay of refunds pending the FERC's review of its order in Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corp.'s (TGPL) "Transition Cost Proceeding". Slocum also noted that the company expects earnings for the third quarter to be lower than those of a year ago due primarily to a charge to earnings of approxiamtely $11 million, after-tax, related to additional producer settlement costs.

Slocum said that if a stay of the refund obligation is not granted, TGPL will be required to make cash refunds to customers totaling approximately $112 million and forego recovery of an additional $26 million in gas costs, resulting in a charge to earnings of approximately $138 million, or $92 million after tax. Transco is pursuing rehearing of the order and will seek court review of the FERC's decision if necessary. Slocum said that the gas costs in question were previously found to be reasonable and should be recoverable. Transco steadfastly believes that the actions taken by TGPL and its affiliates in 1985-86 did not violate either the letter or the spirit of the law or the FERC's regulations, and were entirely consistent with the Commission's policies of increasing customer access to market responsive gas supplies. He also noted that the refunds would be payable on Nov. 12, unless the request for stay is granted, and that Transco will issue third qurater results as soon as the request is addressed.

In addressing earnings, Slocum noted that net income for the third quarter of 1990 is expected to be approximately $3-5 million, or 10-15 cents per share, before unusual charges to earnings. Third quarter 1989 results of $1.20 per share included a gain of $2.42 per share on the initial liquidating distribution of Transco Exploration Partners Ltd., offset in part by charges of 90 cents per share related primarily to the effects and timing of the approval of TGPL's customer settlement. Excluding the items described above, Transco reported a net loss of 32 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989.

Slocum said that progress in settling remaining contract disputes with producers has resulted in payments or commitments to pay an additional $48 million, bringing the cumulative total of such payments or commitments to $1.098 billion. TGPL's customer settlement agreement places a limitation of $1.098 billion on producer settlement costs for which TGPL customers will share financial responsibility. Slocum said that while no assurances can be given, remaining litigation should be resolved without further materially adverse financial consequences to Transco.

In addressing Transco's common stock dividend, Slocum reiterated the company's policy of paying a reasonable portion of earnings and cash flow to common stockholders conistent with its other capital requirements. He noted that while business fundamentals continue to improve, consideration would be given to a change in the dividend rate when, among other things, the uncertainty created by remaining FERC issues is clarified.

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#90297p9255 10/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced an

increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $1.00/bbl was effective yesterday, Tuesday, Oct. 23, at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$28.25 for West Texas Intermediate $26.25 for West Texas Sour $28.75 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E61-Revision 1. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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LAS VEGAS (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of First Western Financial Corp., (NASDAQ: FWES) Nevada's largest publicly-owned savings and loan holding company, declared Wednesday a dividend of 9 cents per share for the current quarter.

Raymond J. Gregor, president and chief executive officer of First Western, said the dividend is payable Nov. 30, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 9.

First Western Financial Corp., with assets of $1.2 billion, is the parent company of First Western Savings Association, which operates 21 branches in Nevada, Oregon and Washington.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Minority business owners awarded General Motors Corp. (NYSE: GM) the prestigious "Corporation of the Year Award" in recognition of its generous support of minority business. Today, every General Motors vehicle produced in the United States contains parts and materials produced by minority-owned and operated firms.

According to Harriet Michel, president of the National Minority Supplier Development Council, last year General Motors spent more than $1.15 billion dollars with minority venders. This figure represents 4 percent of General Motor's total outside purchasing.

The award, presented at the closing of the National Minority Supplier

Development Council's Annual Conference, is regarded as the most significant honor awarded an American company in the field of minority development. The council is a non-profit organization chartered in 1972 to expand business opportunities for minority-owned businesses; the council acts as a match-maker between corporations and minority vendors.

In accepting the award, Donald A. Pais, General Motor's vice president in charge of the Materials Management Staff, said, "I am proud of the commitment of the men and women of General Motors and their efforts to make our Minority Supplier Development Program the success that it is."

He also said he was proud of the tremendous effort of the minority suppliers who do business with general Motors -- "suppliers who work hard every single day to help General Motors build high quality cars and trucks."

The awards ceremony, held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Houston, recognized three minority enterprises with the "Supplier of the Year Award." The recipients were Oscar Robertson, president of Orchem Inc. of Cincinnati, Ohio; Lewis Tapia, president of Matrix Exhibits of Brentwood, Tenn.; and Tim Yu, president of CKY Inc., Environmental Services of Torrance, Calif.

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CAIRO (OCT. 24) TASS - "SAUDI ARABIA, THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES AND KUWAIT HAVE WRITTEN OFF ALL EGYPT'S DEBTS," THE CAIRO AL-GUMHURIA NEWSPAPER REPORTS TODAY. QATAR HAS ALREADY ANNOUNCED THE ANNULMENT OF EGYPTIAN DEBTS.

THE DEBTS AMOUNTS TO SEVEN BILLION U.S. DOLLARS. THE COUNTRY'S TOTAL DEBT STANDS AT 50 BILLION DOLLARS.

AL-GUMHURIA SAYS THAT SAUDI ARABIA IS ABOUT TO ANNOUNCE ITS DECISION, KUWAIT HAS DONE IT WITHOUT PUBLICATION AND THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES "AS A MATTER OF PROCEDURE".

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#90297t0154 10/24/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (OCT. 24) TASS - THE SOUTH KOREAN LUCKY GOLDSTAR INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION ON TUESDAY OPENED A MOSCOW OFFICE. THE CEREMONY WAS ATTENDED BY A CORPORATION DELEGATION, LED BY PRESIDENT KYOO CHILL BYUN.

THE OPENING OF THE OFFICE WAS NECESSITATED BY THE DYNAMICALLY DEVELOPING BUSINESS TIES BETWEEN THE FIRM AND SOVIET PARTNERS, BYUN SAID.

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#90297u0084 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
ITHACA, NY (OCT. 24) UPI - A Cornell University student who slipped from a rain-slick trail and fell more than 75 feet into a gorge escaped major injury when she made a relatively cushy landing atop a soft, plump racoon.

Lisa Nelson was walking on the wet Cascadilla Gorge trail that separates the Ivy League school from Ithaca's Collegetown neighborhood when she slipped Monday.

Ithaca Police said the 20-year-old student plummeted more than 75 feet into the steep, rocky gorge, but suffered only a broken wrist and other minor injuries after landing on the masked critter.

Police said they believe the raccoon saved the woman's life.

Police Capt. David Barnes said rescue workers found the student and the hapless raccoon laying side by side at the bottom of the gorge.

''She was on the bottom and there was an injured raccoon next to her, '' he said.

Nelson was reported in satisfactory condition Tuesday afternoon at Tompkins County Hospital.

The raccoon was recovering at a local animal shelter.

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#90297u0101 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 24) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

HOCKEY

St. Louis at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
NY Islanders at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
Edmonton at Winnipeg, 8:30 p.m.
Hartford at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Brighton, England - $350,000 Midland Bank Championships
Dallas - $350,000 Virginia Slims of Dallas
Stockholm, Sweden - $1.1 million Stockholm Open

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(OCT. 24) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

California - Signed reliever Bob McClure to 1-year contract.

Houston - Offered pitcher Dave Smith arbitration.

New York (NL) - Exercised 1991 contract option on pitcher Alejandro Pena.

St. Louis - Outfielder Dave Collins announced his retirement.

BASKETBALL

Charlotte - Waived guards Jim Les and Andre Turner.

NBA - Named Mary Neagoy director of business public relations.

New Jersey - Waived guard Michael Cutright.

Sioux Falls (CBA) - Signed forwards Deanthony Langston and Terrence Rayford to 1-year contracts.

Washington - Cut forward Ron Draper and guard Mike Morrison.

COLLEGE

Southern Cal - Suspended starting quarterback Todd Marinovich from Saturday's game at Arizona State for missing class.

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Suspended defensive lineman Tony Casillas for two weeks for failing to appear at Sunday's game.

Houston - Placed kicker Tony Zendejas on injured reserve.

Philadelphia - Signed tackle Daryle Smith to a 1-year contract.

Phoenix - Waived tight end Dennis Smith; signed linebacker Chris Washington.

HOCKEY

New Jersey - Returned goaltender Roland Melanson to Utica of the American Hockey League.

Washington - Returned defenseman Chris Felix to Baltimore of the American

Hockey League.

SOCCER

U.S. Soccer Federation - Announced forward Phillip Gyau of national team signed 1-year contract with Genk of Belgian League.

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#90297u0138 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 24) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

New Jersey	1	6	1-8
NY Islanders	0	1	0-1

First period-1, New Jersey, Crowder 1 (Boschman, Stewart), 16:07. Penalties-Stewart, NJ, minor-major (fighting), 6:50; Baumgartner, NYI, minor-major (fighting) 6:50; Crowder, NJ, (double minor), 7:41; Vukota, NYI, 7:41; Dalgarno, NYI, 11:02.

Second period-2, New Jersey, Maley 2 (Daneyko, Sundstrom), 0:30. 3, New Jersey Stastny 4 (Mac Lean, Weinrich) 4:25. 4, New Jersey, Lemieux 4 (Maley, Sundstrom) 4:39. 5, New Jersey, Crowder 2 (unassisted) 9:24. 6, New York Islanders, Wood 2 (Dalgarno, McDonough) 9:49. 7, New Jersey, Morris 1 (Ciger) 11:16. 8, New Jersey, Ciger 1 (Shanahan, Morris), 17:08.

Penalties-Driver, NJ, 12:06; Stewart, NJ, major (fighting), 17:12; Vukota major (fighting), 17:12; Crowder, NJ, 18:35; Pilon, NYI 18:35.

Third period-9, New Jersey, Sundstrom 3 (Lemieux, Kasatonov) 1:40.

Penalties- Weinrich, NJ, 12:08.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 18-21-13-52. NY Islanders 4-8-3-15.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 3-0. NY Islanders 1-0.

Goaltenders-New Jersey, Terreri. NY Islanders, Hackett, Maneuluk (0:00, 3rd per). A-10,505.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

Vancouver	0	0	0--0
Detroit	3	3	0--6

First period-1, Detroit, Burr 5 (Fedorov, Probert), 1:50. 2, Detroit, Barr 2 (Gallant, Yzerman), 12:44. 3, Detroit, Norwood 3 (Chiasson, Carson), pp, 14:33.

Penalties-Quinn, Van, 3:26; Agnew, Van, major (fighting), 6:42; Kocur, Det, minor-major (fighting), 6:42; Chiasson, Det, 9:42; Quinn, Van, 14:24.

Second period-4, Detroit, Fedorov 3 (Garpenlov, Fedyk), 4:16. 5, Detroit, Carson 5 (Probert, Norwood), 5:28. 6, Detroit, Fedorov 4 (Garpenlov, Fedyk), 7:15.

Penalties-Zombo, Det, 8:35; Zombo, Det, 10:55; Butcher, Van, 13:27; Agnew, Van, 13:27; Kocur, Det, double minor, 13:27; Primeau, Det, 16:06; Bradley, Van, 17:53.

Third period-None.

Penalties-Stern, Van, double minor-major (fighting), 18:17; Probert, Det, minor-major (fighting), 18:17; Butcher, Van, double minor, 19:11; Fedorov, Det 19:11.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 10-10-8-28. Detroit 10-12-6-28.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 5-0. Detroit 5-1.

Goaltenders-Vancouver, McLean, Gamble (second period, 7:15). Detroit, Cheveldae. A-19,311.

Referee-Richard Trottier.

Montreal	1	2	2-5
Pittsburgh	1	1	2-4

First period-1, Pittsburgh, Errey 3 (Recchi, Mullen), 10:55. 2, Montreal, Gilchrist 2 (Courtnall, Carbonneau), 16:15.

Penalties-Barrasso, Pit, (served by Jagr), 12:10; Corson, Mon, 18:55; Bourque, Pit, 18:55.

Second period-3, Pittsburgh, Cullen 4 (Coffey, Hillier), 5:35. 4, Montreal, Richer 6 (McPhee, Skrudland), pp, 14:56. 5, Montreal, Savard 5 (unassisted), 16:32.

Penalties-Dahlquist, Pit, 4:26; Lefebvre, Mon, 5:09; Mullen, Mon, 14:12.

Third period-6, Pittsburgh, Zalapski 2 (Coffey, Cullen), pp, 13:48. 7, Pittsburgh, Brown 2 (Zalapski, Coffey), pp, 15:21. 8, Montreal, Desjardins 2 (Savard, Levebvre), 17:00. 9, Montreal, Schneider 1 (Courtnall, Carbonneau), 17:38.

Penalties-Hillier, Pit, 1:27; Johnson, Pit, 8:10; Lefebvre, Mon, 10:43; McPhee Mon, double minor, 11:45; Svoboda, Mon, 13:27; Skrudland, Mon, 18:54.

Shots on goal-Montreal 14-11-13-38. Pittsburgh 5-10-11-26.

Power-play conversions-Montreal 1-5. Pittsburgh 2-5.

Goaltenders-Montreal, Roy. Pittsburgh, Barrasso. A-15,627.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

Washington	1	2	3	-6
Philadelphia	1	1	0	-2

First period-1, Washington, Rouse 1 (Hunter), 5:42. 2, Philadelphia, Tocchet 6 (Craven, Carkner), 10:01.

Penalties-Horacek, Phi, 7:39; Tocchet, Phi, 7:39; Hostak, Phi, 16:07.

Second period-3, Philadelphia, Tocchet 7 (Eklund, Murphy), pp, 1:28. 4, Washington, Hatcher 2 (Bergland), sh, 5:47. 5, Washington, Hatcher 3 (Zezel, Pivonka), 13:59.

Penalties-Ridley, Was, 0:46; Kypreos, Was, 3:59; Druce, Was, 10:23; Huffman, Phi, 15:14.

Third period-6, Washington, Miller 4 (Bergland, Ridley), 7:23. 7, Washington, Zezel 4 (Johansson, Hatcher), pp, 11:25. 8, Washington, Druce 5 (Tippett), 19:13.

Penalties-Tatarinov, Was, 9:17; Acton, Phi, 9:17; Mellanby, Phi, 10:55; Hatcher, Was, minor-major (fighting), 13:04; Mellanby, Phi, minor-major (fighting), 13:04; Tatarinov, Was, 17:05; Leach, Was, major (fighting), 19:20; Berube, Phi, minor- major (fighting), served by Horacek, 19:20.

Shots on goal-Washington 8-8-6-22. Philadelphia 6-7-7-20.

Power-play conversions-Washington 6-1. Philadelphia 4-1.

Goaltenders-Washington, Liut. Philadelphia, Wregget. A-17,382.

Referee-Andy van Hellemond.

Calgary	1	2	1	-4
Los Angeles	2	1	3	-6

First period-1, Calgary, MacInnis 7 (Fleury), 1:21. 2, Los Angeles, Elik 5 (Taylor, McSorley), 6:31. 3, Los Angeles, Tonelli 1 (Miller), 17:17.

Penalties-Otto, Cal, 4:28; Tonelli, LA, 9:07; Duchesne, LA, 18:51.

Second period-4, Los Angeles, Granato 4 (Gretzky, Sandstrom), 1:39. 5, Calgary Johansson 1 (Nieuwendyk, Makarov), 5:11. 6, Calgary, Suter 2 (MacInnis, Fleury), pp, 9:07.

Penalties-LA bench (served by Tonelli), 7:24; Granato, LA, 8:08; Suter, Cal, 9:45; Kudelski, LA, 9:45; Fleury, Cal, 10:41; Macoun, Cal, 11:30; Roberts, Cal 14:44; Kudelski, LA, 14:44; Murzyn, Cal, 17:42.

Third period-7, Los Angeles, Kudelski 5 (Jones, Blake), 2:38. 8, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 6 (Duchesne, Blake), pp, 17:08. 9, Los Angeles, Kudelski 6 (Gretzky, Jones), 18:34. 10, Calgary, Suter 3 (Makarov,Ranheim), 19:23.

Penalties-Gilmour, Cal, 6:54; Granato, LA, 6:54; Nieuwendyk, Cal, 9:44; Macoun Cal, 10:12; Sandstrom, LA, 10:12; Murzyn, Cal, 11:40; Taylor, LA, 11:40; Roberts, Cal, 12:30; Krushelnyski, LA, 12:30; Gilmour, Cal, 13:33; Sandstrom, LA, 13:33; Fleury, Cal, misconduct, 13:37; Kudelski, LA, 14:16; Roberts, Cal, 16:53; Gilmour, Cal, misconduct, 18:34.

Shots on goal-Calgary 16-5-12-33. Los Angeles 7-7-9-23.

Power-play conversions-Calgary 5-1. Los Angeles 6-1.

Goaltenders-Calgary, Vernon. Los Angeles, Berthiaume. A-16,005.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

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#90297u0162 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (OCT. 24) UPI - Korean Air Lines has agreed to pay compensation to the families of seven Japanese passengers killed when a Soviet fighter shot down KAL Flight 007 in 1983, a Japanese newspaper reported Wednesday.

The South Korean passenger plane bound for Seoul from Anchorage, Alaska, was shot down Sept. 1, 1983, by a Soviet fighter off the coast of Sakhalin, killing all 269 people aboard.

Tokyo District Court officials said the families had agreed to accept a payment from KAL, the Mainichi Daily News reported.

The amount of the settlement was not announced, but the sixteen families members had demanded a total of $7 million in payments, the newspaper said.

The lawyers of the family members maintained the airline's decision to pay the settlement was an apparent acknowlegment of professional negligence in the shooting.

The KAL Boeing 747 strayed hundreds of miles off course into Soviet air space before it was shot down. Soviets officials said at the time they believed the plane was on a reconnaissance mission while the American officials said the Soviets shot it down even though they knew it was a passenger jet.

Twenty-seven Japanese were killed in the shooting.

The families of seven Japanese victims filed a suit against KAL in the Tokyo District Court in December 1984, and the court recommended they seek an out-of-court settlement.

The payment to the families of the seven victims is the first by KAL to Japanese involved in the incident.

The families of the other 20 Japanese victims have filed suits in Japanese and foreign courts that are pending.

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#90297u0167 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 24) UPI - Only 37 Britons returned to London Wednesday night aboard a Virgin Airways Boeing 747. Earlier reports said 50 British hostages were being released by Iraq. 14 Americans also were freed. The reduced number of former hostages indicates Baghdad was freeing only those who were elderly or in need of medical treatment.

Senate backers of the Civil Rights Act of 1990 hope to override President Bush's veto of the legislation in Wednesday's showdown between the White House and Congress on the issue. The outlook is NOT considered good for lawmakers, who passed the act with less than the two-thirds majority needed to override.

A Bush adminstration official says Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole will announce her resignation Wednesday. But President Bush and Dole's husband, Senator Robert Dole, did NOT confirm the report. Both said reporters must wait. Secretary Dole... the highest ranking woman in the Bush administration... was NOT available for comment.

Philippine police say the situation in the capital is normal Wednesday after the start of a general strike called by leftist trade unions seeking greater pay. But armed men, some of whom claimed to be communist guerrillas, set fire to half-a-dozen vehicles. Authorities also arrested four people armed with tiny homemade bombs and six others linked to a jeep loaded with explosives.

The already dirty campaign for Cook County sheriff in Illinois turned violent Tuesday... with a campaign worker left hospitalized in critical condition. Irving Bell was shot three times while hanging campaign posters in Chicago for Democratic challenger Michael Sheahan. Sheahan called on Republican Sheriff Jim O'Grady to- quote- ''call off his goons and thugs.''

F-B-I investigators in Chicago are busy trying to solve three bank heists and one attempted bank robbery- which all occurred Tuesday within a three-hour time span. An F-B-I spokesman speculates the would-be robber in the failed hold-up could be the same person responsible for a later robbery downtown. The other heists were conducted by separate suspects.

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SEOUL, South Korea (OCT. 24) UPI - South Korea informed North Korea Wednesday that it is not approving a proposed meeting of students at the truce village of Panmunjom to prepare for a series of joint Korean gatherings in Seoul.

Kim Sang-hyup, president of the South Korean Red Cross, telephoned his Northern counterpart Li Song-ho to relay the Seoul government decision.

''Our government authorities did not permit the proposed contact because the planned academic debates are not helpful in achieving mutual understanding and harmony and could adversely affect the ongoing dialogue and other planned exchanges between the South and the North,'' Kim said in his message.

''I inform you this decision at the request of our government, and hope you will convey this information to the student committee of your side.''

Student assocations of Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Hanyang University and Kyunghee University, all in Seoul, sought government approval Tuesday, hoping to contact North Korean students at the truce village 35 miles to the north.

North Korea followed with a telephone message that five of its students will be coming to the truce site for a contact Wednesday morning.

Seoul officials said the government decided not to approve the Panmunjom contact because the proposed South-North students meetings in Seoul under the name of ''academic debates'' would touch on such issues as the abolition of South Korea's National Security Law and the release of certain prisoners, thereby causing social confusion.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 24) UPI - The Vietnamese government has agreed to receive an official Vatican delegation next month in a step toward conciliation between the communist state and the country's best- organized religious minority, the official Vietnam News Agency reported.

''The Vietnamese government has agreed to the Vatican's proposal to send a

delegation to Vietnam in early November this year to discuss with the Vietnamese authorities issues of mutual concern,'' the agency said in a dispatch dated Tuesday.

It said the government, in a meeting with Catholic church leaders on Friday, also agreed to allow a delegation of senior Vietnamese priests to visit the Vatican for a papal audience. The government has often forbidden such visits or prevented individual church leaders from making them.

The agency quoted Bishop Nguyen Minh Nhat, president of the Catholic Episcopal Council, as thanking the government for ''its concern and assistance to the Catholic Church.''

The agreements were seen as moves toward healing relations that have been repeatedly injured since 1975 when communist forces captured southern Vietnam where most Catholics were staunchly anti-communist.

The communist regime has frequently accused Catholics of supporting anti-government groups and resisting government authority in its system of tightly-knit church communities.

The Vatican has complained about limitations on the building of new churches, harassment of worshipers, the arrests of some Catholics for anti-government activity and restrictions on the movements of some church leaders.

The church and the state also quarreled over canonization of 117 Catholic ''martyrs'' in 1989. The government argued that many of those canonized were not religious martyrs but people justly executed for working with French colonial forces to overthrow the indigenous government in the 18th and 19th centuries.

With an estimated 5 million adherents the Catholic church is one of the largest and best organized of Vietnam's religious minorities.

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#90297u0228 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 24) UPI - Humphrey, the wrong-way whale who just seems to like the Bay Area, appears to be on his way after once again wandering in from the ocean and getting stuck in the mud.

Humphrey, a 40-ton endangered humpback whale who caught the attention of the world in 1985 when he led would-be rescuers on a 25-day sojourn through Northern California's inland waterways, was freed Tuesday after spending two days stranded in San Francisco Bay.

With a crowd of several thousand people looking on, including entire classes of schoolchildren, Coast Guard boats and volunteers in dinghies slipped a

harness over Humphrey's massive body and - with the help of high tide - pulled him tail-first out of the muddy tidal flat and into deeper water.

But the whale that just seems to like San Francisco played it true to form and headed the wrong way, beaching himself again on a muddy bank.

Peigin Barrett of the nearby Marine Mammal Center said rescue workers teased and prodded Humphrey, even covering his blow hole to irritate him into action. It didn't work.

They used 12-foot boards to try and pry Humphrey from the mud while a boat tried to tug the whale into deeper water using a tow line.

But Humphrey did not cooperate, said Denize Springer of the Marine Mammal Center. ''Usually when an animal is trapped it will coooperate to get out. He didn't.''

At one point, someone suggested that a crane be used, but the idea was scrapped.

At the next high tide Tuesday afternoon, volunteers pumped compressed air into the mud beneath Humphrey, lifting him up far enough so divers could slip the harness over him again. With scientists playing tape recorded whale-feeding songs, Humphrey was finally pulled free by a Coast Guard ship, pointed in the right direction and herded toward the Golden Gate and the open ocean.

A picnic atmosphere prevailed at Candlestick Point. One spectator, Bill Over of Pittsburgh, Pa., said he and a group of friends stayed over to watch the show after attending Sunday's 49ers-Steelers football game.

''I just want to tell my mother I'm watching the whale and not hanging out in a bar,'' he joked.

The mood of Humphrey's would-be rescuers - 18 men and women in wet suits, including a veterinarian, at least two biologists, a medical staff and volunteers - was more serious.

''The sad part is that he's endangered and an adult and capable of making more of them (humpback whales), but that's not what he's interested in,'' Springer said of the 10-year-old animal.

The big humpback, identified as Humphrey by the unique shape and markings on his belly and dorsal fin, was first spotted about daybreak Monday, stranded in 2 1/2 feet of water in the Bay. The sight of a beached humpback created a traffic jam of leviathan proportions as motorists slowed and gawked.

Volunteers sloshed water over Humphrey to keep his exposed skin wet. During the course of the day, the giant creature was draped with large towels that

were constantly soaked with water to keep him wet and his body temperature down.

A blood test showed Humphrey was healthy, but without the buoyancy of deep water, a creature so huge could suffocate under its own weight.

Humphrey became a world celebrity five years ago when he wandered through San Francisco Bay and into the shallow Sacramento River Delta, swimming to within 25 miles of the state capital. He was finally lured back out to sea by recorded whale songs.

This time, he left his group - or pod - along the coast and wandered into the Bay, perhaps looking for herring, according to whale researcher Kenneth Balcomb.

''Humphrey has a different way,'' Balcomb said. ''He is always odd man out.''

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(OCT. 24) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	7	3	0	14	41	26
New Jersey	6	3	1	13	38	32
Philadelphia	6	3	0	12	37	30
Washington	5	5	0	10	34	32
Pittsburgh	3	5	1	7	36	38
NY Islanders	2	6	0	4	20	32

ADAMS DIVISION

Montreal	5	4	1	11	33	37
Hartford	4	3	2	10	28	28
Quebec	3	4	3	9	34	38
Boston	4	4	1	9	27	35
Buffalo	1	4	3	5	27	30

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	6	4	0	12	34	24
Detroit	5	3	2	12	39	35
St. Louis	4	3	1	9	21	25
Minnesota	1	6	2	4	20	37

Toronto	1	7	1	3	20	38

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	7	1	1	15	45	24
Calgary	6	4	0	12	39	30
Vancouver	5	4	0	10	30	32
Edmonton	2	3	2	6	26	23
Winnipeg	2	6	1	5	30	33

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Around the world, around the clock, the latest news from U-P-I...

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Congressional Republican leaders held a late-night strategy session at the White House with President Bush, trying to work out a deficit reduction plan. Negotiators face a midnight deadline tonight... when a stopgap funding bill expires, possibly bringing on another government shutdown.

A Bush administration official who did NOT want to be identified says Elizabeth Dole will announce her resignation today. There are reports that the labor secretary plans to leave her post to take a top-level job with the Red Cross. There also is speculation that Dole plans to run for Congress.

Baghdad Radio says Iraq's National Assembly has agreed to free all French nationals, following a request from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. About 350 French hostages are believed to be in Iraqi custody. The report says the French citizens are now free ''to leave or stay in Iraq.''

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir says a surge in anti-Israeli violence is a temporary phenomenon. Shamir says the bloodshed- in his words- ''will last only a few days.'' Yesterday, two Arabs were killed, one in a possible revenge attack by an Israeli... and four Jews were wounded by Palestinians.

G-O-P officials are calling on Ohio Representative Donald Lukens to resign after new allegations of sexual misconduct. Lukens is to appear today before the House Ethics Committee, which will investigate allegations that the Republican lawmaker made unwanted sexual advances to a congressional employee.

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#90297u0281 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 24) UPI - The shuttle Atlantis will undergo a fuel test this morning at Cape Canaveral. NASA managers say they are confident that the two-BILLION-dollar spaceplane will pass the test considered critical for launch to put a spy satellite in orbit. Atlantis is expected to take off around November 10th.

Philippine officials say heavily armed men killed a policeman and a driver and set 14 vehicles on fire today during a general strike called to demand pay hikes. Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos blamed leftist rebels for the disturbances, but added that the situation in the country is basically normal.

Pakistanis head to the polls today in nationwide elections viewed as a referendum on a presidential decision to dismiss the government of Benazir Bhutto. Voters are choosing 217 National Assembly members to replace the assembly dissolved with Bhutto's departure.

The second trial stemming from last year's brutal beating and rape of a jogger in Central Park continues this morning in New York. Two witnesses were unable to identify one of two defendants yesterday as being part of the gang that attacked joggers and cyclists in the park.

A Cornell University student is hospitalized in satisfactory condition... but has a racoon to thank for NOT being in worse shape. Officials say Lisa Nelson slipped on a rain-slicked trail, falling more than 75 feet into a gorge in Ithaca, New York. Nelson landed on a soft, plump racoon... who is recovering at an animal shelter.

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#90297u0292 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 24) UPI - The Pacific League champion Seibu Lions rallied for six runs in the fifth inning Thursday to beat the Central League pennant winners Yomiuri Giants 7-3 for their fourth straight victory and regain the Japan pro baseball title after an interval of two years.

Cuban slugger Orestes Destrade, who smashed two homers to lead the Lions' victory, was named the Most Valuable Player in the best-of-seven Japan Series.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Flooded rivers receded in the Middle Atlantic states Wednesday but the storm that drenched the region pushed north, soaking New York and New England, while fog covered parts of the South.

The Saddle River in north central Pennsylvania reached its banks Wednesday following 2 inches of rain and sections of the Saw Mill and Hutchinson River parkways in New York City's northern suburbs were closed due to flooding in the adjacent rivers.

To the north, a flood warning was in effect for New York's Champlain Valley and for all of Vermont as runoff from extended rains continued to push rivers and streams toward their banks. Fields and basements were flooded by swollen

rivers in western New York state.

Fog was the main problem to the south Wednesday as visibility was cut to near zero in a large part of Kentucky and in Mississippi.

In Kentucky, visibility was near zero in several parts of the state, and was a half mile in Louisville and Fort Knox. Fog also was reported in south central Indiana.

Fog blanketed most of Mississippi except for the delta with visibility in Jackson and Meridian reported down to 1-8 mile or less.

Cool temperatures and clear skies covered the northern Midwest as lows in Chicago dipped into the 30s and highs only were in the 50s. Temperatures only hit the 50s in Ohama, Neb.

High clouds and light winds swept into the Northwest, with temperatures in the 40s.

The nation's hot spots were located in the Southwest and Southern California, where temperatures pushed into the 90s in Los Angeles and in the southwestern deserts.

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#90297u0318 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (OCT. 24) UPI - The loosening of the two-year-old austerity program is reviving China's economy, but mounting financial loses continued in industries hobbled by weak markets and inefficiency, the government said Wednesday.

The report by the State Statistics Bureau on the first nine months of 1990 indicated China has slashed last year's record inflation and reversed this year's economic stagnation, but remains unable to solve historic structural problems.

The bureau report said gross national product, the total output of goods and services, was $255 billion between January and September, 2.7 percent higher than the same period last year. Growth for all of 1989 was 3.9 percent.

National industrial production grew 5 percent between July and September over the same period last year, an improved pace on the thin 2.2 percent growth recorded in the first six months. Average growth for the first three quarters was 3.1 percent.

The sweeping austerity imposed in September 1988, which centralized spending authority and slashed credit, virtually stalled industrial output early this year until the government injected funds and rolled back some of the program's

tight controls.

''The national economy is heading toward a more favorable direction,'' said State Statistics Bureau spokesman Zhang Zhongji.

Further, he said, ''after two years of rectification and adjustment, we have made progress in controlling inflation.''

Inflation was 2.3 percent in the first nine months, the report said, the lowest in five years.

The austerity program was designed to trim record price hikes that peaked at nearly 30 percent and to restrain breakneck growth ignited by a decade of free-market economic reforms.

But Zhang acknowledged the austerity's flattening of market demand, combined with long-term inefficiency and poor management of industries, had dramatically trimmed profits and taxes and left the government again in deficit spending.

In the first three quarters, he said, profit tax revenues from state- owned enterprises dropped 21.5 percent and profits plunged 57.9 percent, while deficits run by enterprises increased to leave them awash in red ink.

Zhang said one-third of state enterprises were running at a loss in the first nine months, with the total losses at $4.25 billion, twice that of the same period last year.

Inventories of unsold goods have swollen further, he said.

''Since the beginning of this year, the situation of enterprises running at a loss is quite severe,'' Zhang said, blaming the sluggish market and ''not very good'' management.

The government makes up for such losses through subsidies to the notoriously money-losing state industries and to urban residents in the form of price subsidies.

Total government revenue increased 13.7 percent, but total spending increased more, by 16.8 percent, in the first three quarters, the bureau report said.

Zhang said the government budget deficit would not greatly exceed the target of nearly $2 billion for 1990, possibly rising to $2.12 billion.

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#90297u0322 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 24) UPI - Japanese soldiers could supply ammunition to U.S.-led

forces in the Gulf if the government's U.N. Peace Cooperation bill passes, legislators were told Wednesday, after opposition parties ended a one-day boycott.

During questioning in a special committee of the House of Representatives, Foreign Ministry officials testified that the bill would permit transport and supplying of any kind of ammunition or weapon, according to televised excerpts.

However, Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama rose to say that the government would not place its forces in a combat zone, so there was no danger of them becoming involved in fighting.

Japanese Socialists, who are leading the drive to defeat the bill, declared themselves unsatisfied with the government's position.

A vote on the bill is expected before the scheduled end of the session on Nov. 10.

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#90297u0348 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

TIRANA, Albania (OCT. 24) UPI - Albanian President Ramiz Alia Wednesday urged the Balkan states to bury their age-old differences in opening the first diplomatic conference hosted by Europe's last bastion of orthodox Marxism in a major stride out of 45 years of isolation.

''A new vision is needed, not only for the promotion of ... Balkan cooperation but also for its role in European cooperation, too,'' the communist leader told the foreign ministers of Greece, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Romania, Albania and Turkey.

Building on ongoing moves to end Albania's self-imposed isolation since the end of World War II in 1945, Alia said the six nations should work to find common areas of cooperation and resolve long-standing differences through the creation of a zone of ''peace and security.''

He warned unless such steps are taken, ''life has shown that any delay in the solution to these problems entails the evil of their further deepening and exacerbation.''

Alia said it was incumbent upon the nations of Western Europe and the Soviet Union, long involved in fanning Balkan disputes for their own political ends, to help the region overcome its myriad economic and political problems.

''It should be believed that they, whether in the West or in the East, understand that they have much to do towards our peoples,'' he told the meeting, for which his regime granted visas to some 90 foreign correspondents, the most ever allowed since the 1944 communist takeover of the tiny nation of

3.2 million.

The country has never before hosted an international diplomatic conference, signaling the largest opening yet to the outside world.

Uniformed officers and members of the nation's feared secret police were deployed in large numbers around the area.

The two-day meeting is only the second held since 1945 by Greece, Turkey, Albania, Yugoslavia, Romania and Bulgaria, nations that have feuded and fought for hundreds of years, often manipulated by major powers for their own ends.

The foreign ministers were to examine a range of areas in which the Balkan states might cooperate, including transportation, trade, communications, the environment, agriculture and tourism.

They were expected to avoid the deeply contentious problems that have persistently dogged their relations, particularly the thorny issue of national minorities.

Stretching from southeast Europe to Asia, the Balkans are home to 130 million people from almost two dozen ethnic groups and three major religions, and disputes regarding the treatment of each other's minorities exist between most of the states.

The first Balkans cooperation conference was convened in 1988 in Belgrade, a year before the region was shaken by the pro-democracy wave that swept Eastern Europe, unseating governments in Romania and Bulgaria and stoking anti-communist sentiments in Yugoslavia.

The resulting power vacuums have prompted influence-hungry politicians to exploit ethnic divisions, fueling differences between Yugoslavia's Serbian Republic and Albania over Kosovo, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia and Greece over Macedonia, and Bulgaria and Turkey over Sofia's treatment of its Turkish minority.

But the changes in Eastern Europe and the continent's move toward greater cooperation also had a major impact on Albania, with news of the upheaval carried over its barbed wire borders by Italian and Yugoslav radio and television broadcasts.

The regime is also beset by deteriorating economic problems, and in an apparent move to avert domestic unrest, embarked on a series of limited reforms, including easing restrictions on travel and religion and legalizing foreign investments.

Alia has also moved to end Albania's isolation, seeking participation in the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe and requesting observer

status in the Helsinki human rights organization.

Last month, Albania resumed diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union severed in 1961 as a result of the Sino-Soviet split. Tirana is negotiating with Washington on establishing diplomatic ties for the first time.

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#90297u0483 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

BERN, Switzerland (OCT. 24) UPI - Switzerland reported Wednesday a 3.7 percent year-on-year rise in industrial production in the first half of 1990.

The government said the biggest increase - 9.8 percent - was recorded by the machine industry, followed by rises of 7.2 percent and 5.7 percent in the woodworking and watchmaking sectors, respectively.

Production declined 1.2 percent and 0.8 percent, respectively, in the paper and textile industries, however.

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#90297u0503 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 24) UPI - Issues on the Tokyo Stock Exchange ended a seven-day rally Wednesday in what analysts described as an orderly retreat from swiftly scaled heights.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which gained 589.37 points Tuesday, fell 421.42 points - or 1.7 percent - to 24,876.88.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all listed sahares, which added 1.28 points Tuesday, dipped 18.08 points to 1, 841.48.

Volume continued to ease as an estimated 500 million shares changed hands, compared with 566 million Tuesday.

Elsewhere in Asia, profit taking and losses in New York and Tokyo dragged stock prices lower on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in heavy trading.

The Hang Seng Index, which gained 65.67 points Tuesday, fell 39.15 points, or 1.27 percent to 3,042.08.

In Singapore, stocks edged higher on the Singapore Stock Exchange as local and foreign investors curbed early profit taking.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which climbed 36.67 points Tuesday, inched up 1.05 points to 1,210.95 for its eighth successive gain. The broader-based All Singapore Index rose 0.59 points to 334.98.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 53.9 million shares, compared with 88.6 million shares changing hands Tuesday.

In Bangkok, stock prices rose sharply higher in active trading on the Thiland Stock Exchange in reaction to slumping world oil prices.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which climbed 31.17 points Monday, gained another 26.02 points to 709.35.

Markets in Thailand were closed Tuesday for a national holiday.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 4 billion shares, compared with 3 billion shares changing hands Monday.

Elsewhere around the region, in Seoul, stocks closed higher on the Korean Stock Exchange. The Korean Composite Stock Index, which climbed 32.18 points Tuesday, added another 31.22 points to 796.77 for its seventh consecutive gain.

In Manila, stocks closed higher on the Manila Stock Exchange. The Manila Composite Stock Index of 25 selected issues rose 18.16 points to 573.16.

In Australia, stocks closed slightly lower in moderate trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which climbed 18.5 points Tuesday, eased 6.4 points to 1,376.7.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 55.3 million shares, compared with 129.5 million shares changing hands Tuesday.

In Wellington, stocks retreated on the New Zealand Stock Exchange in light trading.

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#90297u0534 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - Orders for durable goods plunged a surprising 1.7 percent in September to $124.9 billion for the second straight monthly decline the Commerce Department reported Wednesday.

Most private economists had expected a drop of 0.2 percent in orders, with fewer orders for new cars, trucks and vans held up by strong demand for commercial airliners.

Not counting transportation, orders were up 0.3 percent last month, a government spokesman said.

September's 1.7 percent decline in orders for durable goods - expensive items

made to last three or more years - follows a revised decrease of 0.8 percent in August and an increase of 2.7 percent in July.

The weak demand for new orders for durable goods was across the board in September, with only non-electrical machinery and non-defense capital goods registering gains of 5.4 percent and 6.3 percent, respectively.

Orders for primary metals were off 0.8 percent in September, down 7.7 percent for electrical machinery, off 6.8 percent for transportation equipment and down 9.6 percent for defense capital goods.

Not counting defense hardware, total orders for durable goods were down 1.1 percent last month, the Commerce Department said.

Shipments of durable goods, meanwhile, were off 3 percent in September after gaining 2.8 percent in August and falling 1.7 percent in August, according to the monthly data compiled by the department's Census Bureau.

The category ''motor vehicles and parts, which is quite volatile between months during the third quarter model changeover period, accounted for most of the decrease,'' the government report said.

Unfilled orders were unchanged after slipping 0.3 percent in September and advancing 0.6 percent in July.

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#90297u0543 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (OCT. 24) UPI - Chancellor Helmut Kohl met with party leaders Wednesday to discuss the fate of some 400 Germans being held in Iraq and Kuwait, amid growing criticism that the government is doing little to free the hostages.

After the hourlong meeting, requested by Social Democratic opposition leader Hans-Jochen Vogel, Kohl and members of his center-right coalition agreed to continue discussions next Monday.

In the interim, the chancellor plans to attend a European Community summit in Rome, which will deal in part with the Persian Gulf crisis, said Rudolf Seiters, a senior aide to Kohl.

The politicians also discussed the possibility of former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt meeting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, Seiters said, adding that the government would not comment on Brandt's plans until after the EC summit.

But Kohl said in a television interview Tuesday night that he did not approve of private intitiatives in dealing with the hostage crisis.

''I am opposed to any action that would involve stepping out of the international community,'' Kohl said.

Brandt has been asked to go to Baghdad by both Iraqi officials and the approximately 400 Germans held in Iraq and Kuwait since Saddam's Aug. 2 invasion. He met late Monday with the Iraqi ambassador in Bonn, but refused to comment on the content of their discussion.

''We are seeking a high degree of involvement'' in decision-making on these issues, said Oscar Lafontaine, Kohl's Social Democratic challenger in the Dec. 2 national elections.

He said Brandt would make his own decision about going to Iraq, but that the SPD was seeking a common position with the government on the hostage issue.

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#90297u0565 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 24) UPI - An administration official says the highest-ranking woman in the Bush cabinet- Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole- will announce her resignation today. She would be the first person to quit the Bush cabinet. Her husband, Senator Robert Dole, said his wife and President Bush have a meeting scheduled today. There has been speculation that she may run for the Senate. Another report says she will take a job with the Red Cross.

Senate Republican leader Robert Dole and House Republican leader Robert Michel met with President Bush last night to discuss the budget. A plan has to be enacted today or the government will technically go broke tonight. Taxing the rich has been a barrier to agreement. Democrats oppose a Republican plan to raise taxes on the rich by limiting their deductions. The Democrats want a surtax on millionaires' income.

New allegations of sexual misconduct have been made against Ohio Representative Donald Lukens. Fellow Republicans are asking him to resign. He is to appear today before the House Ethics Committee. Lukens, a lame-duck congressman, was convicted last year of having sex with a teen-age girl. The new charges involve making sexual advances to a congressional employee. House Republican leader Robert Michel says Lukens may be expelled and lose his pension if he does NOT resign.

Iraq freed 51 Western hostages yesterday- 37 British and 14 American. Baghdad Radio also says Iraq's National Assembly agreed to free all French citizens. A plane arrived in London's Gatwick Airport this morning with the British freed hostages. The Americans flew into Joradan. An official of a group of Americans of Iraqi origin said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will free all the Americans if President Bush promises NOT to attack.

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#90297u0567 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 24) UPI - Ethnic violence has been spreading in Israel. Two Arabs were killed yesterday, one near the Gaza Strip by a gunman in a car. An anonymous caller later said the killing was in revenge for Sunday's killings of three Israelis by an Arab. Trying to stop the violence, Defense Minister Moshe Arens ordered the West Bank and Gaza Strip sealed off indefinitely.

The Senate has turned down a proposal to save the jobs of northwestern loggers and mill workers who might be thrown out of work by the effort to protect the northern spotted owl. Senator Bob Packwood, an Oregon Republican, offered the measure. It was defeated 62-34. Packwood's proposals would have eased logging restrictions required when the owl was classified as a threatened species.

A strong earthquake jolted northern California and Nevada last night. The quake registered five-point-seven on the Richter scale. There were NO immediate reports of damage. The earthquake was felt in Sacramento, Fresno, San Francisco and Reno, Nevada. In Lake Tahoe, Nevada, casinos gamblers were knocked off their chairs. A sheriff's deputy in Bridgeport, California, said- ''It rolled and it lasted about 45 seconds.''

Humphrey the whale is free again after being stuck for two days in a muddy tidal flat in San Francisco Bay. At high tide yesterday, volunteers pumped compressed air into the mud under him and lifted the whale so divers could slip a harness around him. A Coast Guard ship then pulled him free. In 1985, the same whale become lost in inland waterways of northern California for 25 days.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	70	38	....
Anchorage cy	40	28	....
Asheville sy	69	40	....
Atlanta pc	71	44	....
Baltimore pc	67	46	.66
Billings sy	62	40	....
Birmingham sy	72	40	....
Bismarck sy	53	23	....
Boston cy	62	48	1.28
Brownsville f	80	57	....
Buffalo pc	55	37	.15
Burlington Vt. r	51	41	1.63
Charleston S.C. sy	80	53	....
Charlotte sy	72	45	....
Chicago pc	55	32	....
Cincinnati cy	58	36	....
Cleveland cy	56	37	.01
Columbus Ohio cy	57	35	....
Dallas sy	70	43	....
Denver sy	63	35	....
Des Moines sy	56	30	....

Detroit pc	55	36	....
Duluth cy	41	23	....
El Paso sy	80	40	....
Evansville pc	62	35	....
Fargo pc	46	22	....
Hartford pc	63	43	3.05
Honolulu pc	87	73	.19
Houston sy	74	47	....
Indianapolis pc	57	34	....
Jackson Miss. f	71	42	....
Jacksonville pc	81	55	....
Kansas City cy	59	33	....
Las Vegas sy	83	51	....
Little Rock pc	72	42	....
Los Angeles sy	95	61	....
Louisville pc	60	39	....
Memphis pc	69	42	....
Miami Beach pc	90	73	.01
Milwaukee pc	52	33	....
Minneapolis pc	48	28	....
Nashville pc	67	39	....
New Orleans sy	70	50	....
New York pc	69	51	2.43
Oklahoma City f	66	41	....
Omaha pc	58	27	....
Orlando pc	88	66	.04
Philadelphia pc	68	47	.50
Phoenix sy	93	62	....
Pittsburgh pc	55	39	.22
Portland Me. cy	59	43	2.37
Portland Ore. cy	69	49	....
Providence cy	65	46	.77
Richmond pc	72	47	1.03
St. Louis cy	59	36	....
Salt Lake City sy	66	39	....
San Antonio sy	76	45	....
San Diego sy	83	58	....
San Francisco sy	74	53	....
San Juan ts	86	76	.02
Seattle pc	63	51	....
Spokane f	60	42	....
Tampa pc	86	67	....
Washington pc	68	49	.51
Wichita pc	63	33	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy

f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - The dollar was mostly lower Wednesday in moderate trading in New York against key foreign currencies following a worse-than-expected report on U.S. durable goods for September. Gold was mixed.

The Commerce Department reported the new factory orders for U.S. durable goods fell an unexpected seasonally adjusted 1.7 percent in September from the preceding month.

New Factory orders for durable goods plunged to $124.9 billion for the second straight monthly decline, after falling a revised 0.8 percent in August to an adjusted $127.05 billion and rising an unrevised 2.7 percent in July to an adjusted $128.09 billion.

Most economists had expected a drop of 0.2 percent in new orders.

Analysts said the report was worse-than-expected but took second place to the worries over the lack of a concrete U.S. budget package.

Traders in New York quoted the dollar at 1.5169 German marks, down from 1.5180 Tuesday, and at 128.43 Japanese yen, up slightly from 128.15.

In earlier trading in Asia, the dollar ended higher against the Japanese yen closing at 128.38 yen, up 1.25 from 127.13 yen on Tuesday.

Foreign exchange analysts said the dollar rallied on buying triggered by rumors the Federal Reserve Bank of New York had purchased dollars for the yen late Tuesday.

Major investors such as life insurance firms and foreign exchange banks sold the yen to purchase the dollar, the analysts said.

Elsewhere in Asia, the dollar closed lower in Hong Kong at 7.7850 Hong Kong dollars, dwon from 7.7862 while in Singapore, the dollar closed higher at 1.7125 Singapore dollars, up from 1.7000.

In Europe, the dollar began the day lower in Frankfurt at 1.5180 German marks, down from 1.5232 on Tuesday.

In Zurich, the dollar opened lower at 1.2785 Swiss francs, down from 1.2820.

In London, the British pound dropped slightly against the dollar, opening at $1.9445 compared with $1.9460 on Tuesday.

Elsewhere in Europe, the dollar opened unchanged in Paris at 5.0695 French francs.

In Brussels, the dollar opened at 31.2850 Belgian francs, up slightly from 31.24, but eased in Milan to 1,129.30 Italian lire, down from 1, 137.

On the bullion markets, gold opened $2.50 an ounce lower in Zurich at $370 but opened 50 cents higher in London at $372.50.

The London morning gold fixing was $371.10, off 90 cents from Tuesday's close.

In earlier trading in Asia, gold closed at $371.65 on the Hong Kong Bullion Exchange, up $1.10 from Tuesday's close.

Silver opened 5 cents higher in Zurich at $4.25 an ounce and opened 5 cents higher in London at $4.26 an ounce.

In early trading on New York's Comex, a 100-troy-ounce gold futures contract for October delivery opened at $371.90, up 70 cents from Tuesday's close. A 5,000-troy-ounce silver futures contract opened at $4.179, off 4 cents an ounce.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 23: Purchases of 375,680 shares and sales of 482,109 shares including 18,958 shares sold short.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - White House Chief of Staff John Sununu says he's concerned that budget negotiators are drifting from spending cuts and toward more taxes

as a way of generating revenue. The budget impasse may leave the government without funds tomorrow.

Massachusetts Democrat Edward Kennedy says the rights of ''Millions of working women and minorities'' will be at stake in the Senate today. But Congress is NOT expected to override a presidential veto of civil rights legislation.

Amnesty International says killings by death squads and unruly soldiers are on the rise in El Salvador. The London-based human rights group says a church worker taking medicine to his daughter is among 45 victims this year.

France is indicating it would be happy to have as many as 400 citizens back on French soil. But Paris says Iraq's plans to free French hostages will NOT change its stance against Baghdad and its invasion of neighboring Kuwait.

There was shattered glass and pictures on floors in northern California, where an earthquake hit last last night. But there were NO reports of injuries after the quake measuring five-point-seven on the Richter scale.

The Bush administration may be losing Elizabeth Dole. A White House source says the labor secretary plans to announce her resignation today. Dole's husband says his wife and President Bush plan to meet at the White House.

Ohio Representative Donald Lukens is in political hot water once again. The conservative Republican is facing renewed calls for his resignation after new allegations of sexual misconduct involving a congressional employee.

Turnout appeared to be low in some parts as Pakistanis vote today in nationwide elections. Benazir Bhutto made NO comment after casting her ballot in the elections viewed as a referendum on her ouster as prime minister.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - A critical test is planned this morning at Cape Canaveral. NASA will fuel the shuttle Atlantis to check if it's leak-free and ready for blastoff. The space agency is hoping to launch Atlantis around November 10th.

In Chicago, a sheriff's campaign already marred by accusations of vandalism and intimidation turned violent. A campaign worker is hospitalized in critical condition after getting shot while hanging political posters yesterday.

New York police had a mob on their hands last night in Brooklyn. A crowd of about 300 Hasidic Jews injured 32 police officers while protesting the arrest of a man charged with sexually abusing a teen-ager in an elevator.

A former Penthouse Pet of the Year who claims publisher Bob Guccione forced her to have sex with his clients was awarded four-Million dollars by a judge

yesterday in New York. The judge says he did NOT believe Guccione's denials.

A Brooklyn judge is expected to rule this afternoon in the trial of a youth accused of torching a schoolboy in March. The juvenile defendant is charged with contronting David Opont on his way to school, then setting him on fire.

Researchers say a tiny balloon may help infertile women who want to became pregnant. Doctors in Chicago say the new technique appears to be an alternative to surgery in clearing blocked fallopian tubes.

An economist says the nation's saving and loans crisis will hit New York particularly hard. The Cleveland State University professor New Yorkers may end up paying more than 17-BILLION of a 203-BILLION-dollar national bailout.

A janitor was arraigned in a New York hospital yesterday on charges of stealing 125-thousand dollars to help his family because he thought he was dying. Doctors are trying to determine the source of Bernard Gamble's ailment.

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DALLAS (OCT. 24) UPI - Southland Corp. said it filed a bankruptcy petition and reorganization plan Wednesday under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

The company said the filing was made in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division. Southland said it received from its debt holders and equity holders enough votes for the bankruptcy court to confirm a prepackaged reorganization plan.

Also, a syndicate of lenders agreed to provide Southland with up to $400 million in debtor-in-possession, or DIP, financing, the company said. Subject to court approval, Southland intends to use the DIP funds as working capital to purchase necessary inventories and to continue the company's other normal operating activities.

The bankruptcy filing will let Southland reduce its debt on the balance sheet, and also have important cash to put into its stores for remodeling and upgrading inventory, Southland spokeswoman Cecilia Norwood said.

Regarding voting on the prepackaged reorganization plan, Southland said about 89 percent of holders the outstanding principal amount of debt securities and about 90 percent of holders of the outstanding shares of preferred stock decided to accept the plan.

In Chapter 11 bankruptcy cases, confirmation of a prepackaged plan requires acceptance from debt holders constituting at least two-thirds of the dollar amount and a majority in number of those who vote on the plan, and from holders of two-thirds in amount of each class of equity securities who vote,

the company said.

Southland said it asked a bankruptcy court hearing for the confirmation of the prepackaged reorganization plan be scheduled for Dec. 10, 1990.

If confirmed, the plan would give Southland security holders about 25 percent of the company's common stock. Also, Southland bondholders would receive new notes and, in certain cases, cash, the company said.

Current common stockholders would retain about 5 percent of the common stock. The terms of the prepackaged plan, if confirmed by the bankruptcy court, would apply to all Southland security holders.

Southland yesterday said it entered into a new stock purchase agreement with Ito-Yokado Co. and Seven-Eleven Japan Co., its long- standing business partners in Japan.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 24) UPI - Argentine President Carlos Saul Menem arrived in Moscow on Wednesday for a working visit to seek ways of further strengthening his country's extensive ties with the Soviet Union.

Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze met Menem at Moscow's Vnukovo Airport, where the red Soviet flag with its hammer-and-sickle emblem and the blue-and-white Argentine banner were displayed.

''Soviet-Argentine relations are on the rise,'' the official Tass news agency said. ''One can express hope that the visit by the Argentine president will help strengthen them still more.''

Menem took office July 1, 1989, following his election triumph over former President Raul Alfonsin, whose defeat was partly caused by an economic crisis including hyperinflation that sparked a week of rioting and forced the government to declare a state of siege.

Argentina is the Soviet Union's largest trading partner in South America and a chief supplier of grain to Moscow, which imports more than two-thirds of all Argentine agricultural products sold abroad. At the same time, Argentina is a major market for Soviet machinery.

The two countries agreed in 1986 to a five-year annual exchange of 4.5 million tons of grain for $500 million worth of Soviet industrial equipment.

The two sides in past years played down strong ideological differences, with Moscow soft-pedaling years of repressive anti- communist rule in Argentina before Alfonsin's 1983 election and Buenos Aires offering muted criticism of

the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan.

Argentina ignored the U.S.-led grain embargo of the Soviet Union in 1980 after the 1979 Soviet invasion of Afghanistan.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 24) UPI - Sears, Roebuck & Co. is going ahead with closing its northeast Philadelphia catalog-distribution center despite a dispute with a labor union, it was reported Wednesday.

Sears recently issued pink slips to more than 300 non-union employees who will be out of work Dec. 11, the Philadelphia Inquirer reported. In all, 1,800 jobs out of 2,500 have been eliminated since March.

Sears hoped to convert the landmark, nine-story structure into a retail warehouse that would employ some 700 full- and part-time workers.

But a Pittsburgh arbitrator in July ruled that closing the distribution center violates the Teamsters Local 107 labor contract.

Sears contends that union workers were not laid off at the facility and will be used at the warehouse. But union officials said they weren't hired to do warehouse work.

Sears is appealing the arbitrator's ruling to federal court.

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JERUSALEM (OCT. 24) UPI - Authorities closed off the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip Wednesday to halt a wave of attacks on Israelis in a move that kept thousands of Palestinian workers from reaching their jobs in Israel.

Checkpoints were set up outside Jerusalem and along Israel's 1967 borders to turn back Palestinians from the territories. Arab residents of Jerusalem living in outlying neighborhoods also were stopped from entering the center of the city, Palestinian sources said.

The sweeping security measures Wednesday came a day after four Israelis were wounded in attacks by Arabs, and a Palestinian worker, returning to the Gaza Strip, was shot and killed in apparent revenge attack by extremist Israelis.

The upsurge in violence began Sunday when an West Bank Palestinian stabbed to death three Israelis in a quiet neighborhood of Jerusalem. The suspect allegedly said he wanted to avenge the deaths of 20 Palestinians killed by police during Oct. 8 riots on the Temple Mount.

Defense Minister Moshe Arens said the closure, which would last a few days, was intended to force Palestinians to consider how they would suffer if the anti-Israeli violence continued and to allow authorities to find ways of checking the identities of Palestinians entering Israel.

''What prevails among them are the fanatic and brutal drives, the lack of respect for human lives, which is typical not only for some of the Palestinian population in the territories, but also for some of the Arab countries, (and) leaders of Arab countries, like (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein,'' Arens told Israel Radio.

The defense minister said the wave of violence should be viewed as part of the Arab-Israeli conflict of the last 100 years.

''I don't think that those attacks will stop in the next few months, or even in the next one or two years,'' he said. ''This is a confrontation with which we cope and cope very well. Our situation has greatly improved during those 100 years and will also improve in the next few months.''

The number of security forces in the territories and Israel also were increased. In Jewish settlements in the West Bank, small groups of soldiers were posted at entrances to prevent Arabs from entering.

Since Sunday, three Israelis have been killed and eight wounded in attacks by Palestinians, usually acting alone.

The attacks on Israelis have renewed a longstanding debate on when security forces can open fire at suspects. Police Minister Ronni Milo has instructed officers not to hestitate to open fire when citizens lives are in danger, an order he said conforms he said with standing regulations.

With thousands of Palestinian laborers confined to the territories, Israeli employers have flocked to employment centers to seek replacement workers, Israel Radio reported. Some employers said they were willing to hire recently arrived immigrants. The construction industry is especially dependent on the Arab workers.

In the West Bank refugee camp of Nur Shams, the body of Mahmoud Assaf, 50, a suspected collaborator, was found Wednesday, Palestinian sources said. Assaf, who was stabbed to death, had been missing since Sunday when masked youths took him from his home.

In East Jerusalem, Arab merchants closed their shops in protest following the death of a Palestinian who was shot in the Old City on the day of the Temple Mount riots. Salim Khaldi, 25, was shot near the Christian Quarter, reportedly by an Israeli civilian, Palestinian sources said.

A Jerusalem police spokesman denied that Khaldi had been shot by an Israeli civilian and said he had no details on the death.

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PARIS (OCT. 24) UPI - France said Wednesday it was taking all steps to repatriate its estimated 330 hostages in Iraq and Kuwait as soon as possible, again insisting the release was not the result of negotiations with Baghdad.

Foreign Minister Roland Dumas told the weekly Council of Ministers session Iraq's promise to release French hostages was the result of the firm policy followed by France in applying U.N. sanctions against Iraq since the start of the Persian Gulf crisis.

''There has been no negotiation, it is a unilateral decision on the part of Iraq,'' Dumas was quoted as telling the Council of Ministers meeting.

Political analysts in Paris said Dumas' comments were another effort by the government to quash suspicions the hostage release was linked to separate negotiations between Paris and Baghdad.

Earlier Wednesday, the government said it was immediately sending a special Airbus jet to Baghdad to pick up the hostages as part of the effort to force Iraqi authorities to release the captives as soon as possible.

But the Iraqi Ambassador to France, Abdel Razzak al Hachimi, said the French nationals were more likely to be flown back to France in about two days aboard an Iraqi Airways plane.

''There is no obstacle for their return at the moment, it is simply a matter of organization and we are waiting for an official representative of the French government,'' al-Hachemi said.

A French government spokesman, however, said unofficially that no government representative would be sent to Iraq to meet the hostages.

The Iraqi ambassador said extreme right-wing leader Jean-Marie Le Pen, who planned to leave for Iraq Wednesday, ''has not received a visa to go to Iraq and he will not be going to Iraq.''

Le Pen has opposed French involvement in the crisis from the outset, urging the Socialist government to recall the 5,500 ground troops it has deployed in Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.

The government estimates there are between 327 and 330 French citizens being held against their will in Iraq and Kuwait, including 67 who have been placed near strategic installations as a shield against military attack.

Citing sources in Baghdad, French television reported at midday Wednesday that a certain number of French hostages had indicated they prefer to remain in the Iraqi capital to complete their business affairs.

Tuesday night, Bernard Stasi, a leader of the opposition Social Democratic Party, quoted Prime Minister Michel Rocard as saying France will accept the hostages but will also ''remain faithful to the resolutions voted by the U.N.''

Most of the political opposition echoed Rocard's comments, with former President Valery Giscard d'Estaing saying ''if the French hostages are released so much the better, but we are worried about all the hostages, that is all the hostages from friendly nations.''

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CHICAGO (OCT. 24) UPI - USG Corp. said it will make significant reductions in its salaried workforce across the country because of deteriorating economic conditions.

The company Tuesday also reported a net loss in the third-quarter of $11 million compared with a profit of $9 million, or 16 cents a share, in the same period last year. Sales in the quarter ended Sept. 4 were down 4 percent to $538 million.

USG, a major producer of building materials, said the decline in sales in the quarter and the first nine months were due mainly to lower prices for gypsum wallboard.

The company employs 14,000 people nationwide, including 650 in its Chicago headquarters.

USG Chairman Eugene Connolly did not say how many people would lose their jobs but said the layoffs would begin immediately.

''The latest restructuring move should greatly strengthen our ability to weather the uncertain economic future all companies in the building industry now face,'' Connolly said.

USG spokesman Matthew Gonring said the move is aimed at improving the company's profitability and cash flow.

''Unfortunately, the restructuring we've announced is related to the earnings situation, but we've been in a restructuring phase since 1988 when we went through a recapitalization,'' Gonring said. ''We've endured downsizing since that time.''

He said the workforce was reduced from 21,000 to 14,000 during the past two years by selling assets and eliminating jobs. Of the 14,000 employees, about 5,000 are salaried workers.

''There will be reductions in Chicago and elsewhere,'' Gonring said. ''It's a difficult decision and we regret having to make it, but it's being brought on by the decline in housing, the savings and loan crisis and more recently the problems in the Mideast.''

He said the outlook for the fourth quarter is difficult to predict because weather and interest rates always are a factor.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $371.70 silver base of $4.22 and platinum price of $425.00:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$387.10	387.80
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	198.70	199.00
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	102.00	102.20
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.20	42.20
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	387.10	387.80
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	198.70	199.00
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	102.50	102.70
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.20	42.20
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	393.30	394.00
China Panda .50 troy oz.	202.70	203.00
China Panda .25 troy oz.	105.10	105.30
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	45.50
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.10	27.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	387.20	388.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	197.80	198.20
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	100.00	100.20
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.10	43.20
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	385.60	386.40
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	199.70	200.10
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	102.50	102.70
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	43.70	43.70
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	385.40	385.90
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	198.20	198.40
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	85.10	85.20
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.10	44.10
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.60	23.60

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver

U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.63	$5.67
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,190	$3,210
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,375	$1,375
Platinum		
Australian Koala	440.00	439.00
Isle of Man Noble	437.00	436.00
Canada Maple Leaf	448.00	447.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Six British soldiers were killed this morning in two bomb explosions in northern Ireland. More than 20 people were wounded and one person is missing. The Irish Republican Army took hostages to force relatives to drive cars with the bombs to British checkpoints. The I-R-A said the drivers had worked for the security forces.

A Washington official says Elizabeth Dole plans to announce today she is resigning as labor secretary. The report can NOT be confirmed. But Dole's husband, Senator Robert Dole, says she and President Bush will meet today. There has been speculation she may run for the Senate or work for the Red Cross.

The House has passed a farm bill that slashes subsidy spending by 25 percent. If the deficit reduction plan is passed, the farm bill reduces subsidy spending to 41-BILLION dollars. But the bill also allows farmers the right to make up for lower subsidies by planting other money-making crops.

The Senate has approved legislation requiring installation at 40 airports of devices to detect plastic explosives. Final House approval is expected today. The devices would detect explosives such as those that blew up a Pan Am plane over Scotland in 1989. The bill was passed under pressure from families of the victims.

Officials say transportation was disrupted in the northern Philippines today on the first day of a general strike. Four bus companies suspended service. In a suburb of Manila, rebels stabbed a killed the driver and conductor of a bus. A rebel was killed in Bulacan province during an attempt to burn a bus.

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#90297u0748 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 24) UPI - The Indonesian government has shut down a newspaper because it ran a poll listing the prophet Mohammed as only the 11th most-admired figure by readers. Moslem organizations had demanded the editor be tried. The government says the poll was offensive to the Moslem faith and could cause religious conflicts.

A man identified as the security leader for Colombia's Medellin cocaine gang was killed yesterday in a raid. A government spokesman says Luis Gaviria and another man were killed when police raided a farm near Medellin. Gaviria was the cousin of fugitive Pablo Escobar, the head of the cocaine cartel.

An eastern storm has moved north to soak borth New York State and New England. Parts of the Saw Mill and Hutchinson River parkways in New York City's northern suburbs closed because of flooding. A flood warning was posted for the Champlain Valley of New York and for all of Vermont.

An Exxon exhibit about cleaning up the Alaska oil spill has been taken out of the lobby of a federal building in Anchorage, Alaska. The government ordered it removed. The building is the one where criminal and civil cases will be heard against Exxon. Another exhibit put up by environmentalists was ordered taken down.

Police have charged a mother in Tonawanda, New York, with killing her 23-year-old retarded daughter. They say Patricia Kirisits told them she did NOT want to outlive her and have someone else care for her. She told police she hit her daughter with an umbrella stand and vacuum cleaner, stabbed and strangled her.

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#90297u0799 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
MOUNT VERNON, IL (OCT. 24) UPI - A slight earthquake measuring 3.5 on the Richter scale rattled Southern Illinois early Wednesday, awakening some residents but causing no major damage or injuries.

Spokeswoman Pat Jorgenson of the U.S. Geological Survey in Golden, Colo., said the epicenter was 10 miles north of Mount Vernon in Jefferson County. The tremor hit about 3:20 a.m., Jorgenson said.

Bob Stout, a sheriff's office dispatcher in Jefferson County, said the quake was strong enough ''to rattle the bars in the jail'' in Mount Vernon.

Stout said the sheriff's office had five calls about the quake and the Mount Vernon police said they received 50 calls.

The quake was felt as far away as the Illinois State Police District 13

headquarters in Du Quoin, said Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy David Bowers.

''One lady called and said she felt something. Her house was shaking and her dog started barking,'' Bowers said.

The quake is likely to raise fears about a prediction that an earthquake might hit the New Madrid Fault the first week in December. The fault runs from near Marked Tree, Ark., into Southern Illinois and has been responsible for some of the most powerful earthquakes ever to occur in North America.

New Mexico climatologist Iben Browning, who predicted the devastating earthquake that hit the San Francisco Bay area last year, said he thinks there is a 50 percent chance of a major quake along the New Madrid Fault in the first few days of December.

The prediction has prompted many schools to close for that week and many local governments have held earthquake planning sessions for worried residents and canceled vacations for city workers.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 24) UPI - The former president of the Glen Ellyn Savings and Loan Association destroyed the tiny thrift by orchestrating a ''five- year white collar fraud scheme,'' a federal prosecutor charged Tuesday.

John Franklin Rosch, 52, is on trial in U.S. District Court for his alleged involvement in a string of multimillion-dollar loan frauds involving the Glen Ellyn thrift and other financial institutions in Illinois, Wisconsin and Texas.

In his opening statements, Assistant U.S. Attorney Steven Miller said the thrift collapsed in 1985 under the weight of bad loans ranging from $1.3 million for a horse farm to $9.6 million for a Florida marina.

''This man, John Franklin Rosch, destroyed a federally insured savings and loan association,'' Miller said. ''John Franklin Rosch presided over a five-year, white-collar fraud scheme.''

Rosch's attorney, however, argued that Congress was to blame for deregulating the thrift industry in 1980, thus forcing savings and loan institutions to turn to speculative real estate ventures to stay afloat.

Defense Attorney Rick Halprin said the government, through deregulation, shouldered the blame for the collapse of savings and loans throughout the United States.

Halprin said Rosch saved the Glen Ellyn thrift from going under during the recession of the early 1980s and its board of directors looked at him as a

savior because of his Florida land deals.

''If we're going to start putting in jail all of the bankers who made loans that went bad, there wouldn't be enough room in the state of Montana if you built a prison on (all of) it,'' Halprin said.

Seven other people indicted along with Rosch have pleaded guilty and are expected to testify against him.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-87.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 136.625-137.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 41.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $210.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $424.00-$459.00; dealer- approx., $428.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $111.83 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 296.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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TOKYO (OCT. 24) UPI - Increased oil shipments from Iran and Saudi Arabia more than offset Japan's losses of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil due to the Persian Gulf crisis with September imports rising 9.9 percent, the government said Wednesday.

''The losses in supply due to a trade embargo on Iraq and Kuwait were completely offset by increases in imports from Iran and Saudi Arabia,'' a spokesman for the Ministry of International Trade and Industry said.

September crude imports were 674.65 million barrels, an increase of 9.9 percent over a year ago, he said.

Iraq and Kuwait accounted for about 12 percent of Japan's oil imports before the U.N. embargo on their exports imposed in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The ministry said Saudi Arabia was the largest crude oil supplier in September accounting for 120.24 million barrels, up 36.8 percent over a year ago. Saudi Arabia accounted for 17.8 percent of the total imports, it said.

Imports from Iran surged 51.2 percent to 93.138 million barrels for a 13.8 percent share, up from 7.5 percent in August, the ministry said. Japan depended on the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries for 75.4 percent of its crude supply.

The ministry said Japan's refining of fuel oil from crude rose 22.4 percent over a year ago to 97.99 million barrels.

Imports of fuel oil declined 20.1 percent to 20.80 million barrels due to surging prices overseas, the ministry said.

Domestic sales of fuel oil climbed 10.8 percent to 110.59 million barrels, the ministry said.

Japanese companies Tuesday signed an agreement to secure energy imports from another OPEC nation - Indonesia.

Three companies - Tokyo Gas, Osaka Gas and Toho Gas - agreed with Indonesia's state-run Pertamina for imports of liquified natural gas over a 20-year period.

Japanese crude-oil imports in 1989 increased 8.2 percent over the year before

to a record 1.31 billion barrels.

The OPEC oil cartel accounted for 76.5 percent of the nation's total crude-oil imports last year.

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CONCORD, NH (OCT. 24) UPI - Most large New Hampshire banks have begun charging customers a transaction fee for the use of automatic teller machines, seeking to recover the costs of offering ATM service, the president of the state Bankers Association said Wednesday.

The fees, typically 75 cents per transaction, are charged by nearly all of the state's major banks when customers use ATM cards at machines other than those operated by their own bank. Transactions at a bank's own machines are still free.

The fees were imposed this year in New Hampshire for the first time. Previously, all ATM transactions were free of charge.

''If there's a cost, then banks have decided that they must charge,'' said Marcel Veilleux, president of the New Hampshire Banks Association. ''They can't afford to eat this stuff.''

New Hampshire's banking industry is in poor health, with all major institutions reporting losses of millions of dollars. Compounding the problem, Veilleux said, are new government regulations and reporting requirements, which drive costs up. He said bankers need income from service charges to offset those costs while remaining competitive with other financial institutions in accepting deposits and making loans.

An executive of one of the banks charging the fees agreed. Fleet Bank, a subsidiary of Fleet Norstar Financial Group of Rhode Island, began charging ATM fees in April.

''The way that the ATM system works today is the banks process transactions through a network,'' said Robert J. Hand, vice president of the marketing division at Fleet Bank. ''Each time a transaction is processed the bank incurs an expense.''

When the fees were first imposed, Hand said, there was ''some negative reaction'' from customers. But he said most customers seem to accept the fees.

One bank that has decided not to impose ATM fees is Dartmouth Bank, which has its headquarters in Hooksett. Dartmouth advertises free ATM use as a means of attracting customers.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - American and British nationals freed by Iraq headed home Wednesday but the international community stood firm against Baghdad, with Saudi King Fahd demanding complete withdrawal from occupied Kuwait.

The British Broadcasting Corp. said about 30 of 37 British hostages who flew from Baghdad to Amman, Jordan on Tuesday, arrived in London Wednesday to an emotional homecoming. Accompanying them was former Prime Minister Edward Heath who secured their release after meeting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Iraq also released 14 Americans and said all French hostages, numbering about 350, were free to leave the country.

By late Wednesday, the 14 Americans had left Jordan en route to the United States, a U.S. official in Amman said. The State Department said the Americans will arrive in New York ''this evening aboard a commercial'' flight, but gave no other details.

At least 1 Texan is among the 14 freed Americans. Houston engineer Lloyd Graham is due to arrive in New York where he will be met by his wife and other relatives, according to Graham's daughter, Stasia Marinelli.

Marinelli said, ''When he called and told us (he was free), that's when I believed it.''
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Some diplomats and observers said the move by Saddam to free the French was an attempt to divide the Western alliance formed against Iraq following its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

King Fahd of Saudi Arabia was quoted by the BBC Wednesday as saying his country's stand in the gulf crisis was unchanged, despite remarks over the weekend by the Saudi defense minister that indicated the kingdom would consider a partial withdrawal of Iraq from emirate in order to maintain peace.

''The explicit and decisive stance declared by Saudi Arabia towards the Iraqi criminal aggression against fraternal Kuwait is firm, irrevocable, clear and unambiguous,'' Fahd was quoted as saying.

Defense Minister Sultan Bin Abdul Aziz hinted Monday that Kuwait should give Iraq two strategic gulf islands in return for a withdrawal from the rest of the country. The following day he said his remarks had been misinterpreted.

Fahd said Saudi Arabia, which has allowed hundreds of thousands of foreign troops to be deployed on its soil to counter further Iraqi aggression, demanded a complete and total withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

''The stance is not subject to any change or negotiations,'' he said.

In Tokyo, opposition parties ended a one-day boycott of a Parliamentary debate of a bill that would allow Japanese troops to be deployed overseas for the first time since World War II.

As debate continued, legislators were told Japanese soldiers could supply ammunition to U.S.-led forces under the U.N. Peace Cooperation Bill. Tokyo has pledged billions of dollars to the gulf effort, but has been under pressure to send troops to the region as well.

However, a poll published by a Tokyo newspaper Wednesday indicated only 13 percent of Japanese support the possible deployment of troops overseas.

In another development Wednesday, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak headed to Qatar and Oman on his surprise tour of the gulf, which took him to Saudi Arabia Tuesday.

The weekly Al Mussawar magazine in Egypt said Mubarak had managed to convince the gulf states to cancel more than $7 billion in Egyptian debt in return for Cairo's strong support of U.S. policy in the gulf crisis.

The weekly said Saudi Arabia alone wrote off $4.2 billion in debt and pledged another $2 billion in developmental aid.

The U.S. Congress is also considering a request by the Bush administration to forgive $7.1 billion in Egyptian military debt, although the measure has yet to be approved.

Also Wednesday, the first group of 17,000 Vietnamese contract workers allowed to leave Iraq flew home via Turkey on flights orgnaized by a Geneva-based aid organization.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) President Bush's chief spokesman labeled as ''injudicious'' Wednesday comments by former Reagan political adviser Edward Rollins who advised GOP candidates to feel free to distance themselves from Bush on controversial issues.

Press secretary Marlin Fitzwater also rejected The Washington Post report that Bush was shunned on the New England campaign swing Tuesday by Republican congressional candidates who part company with him on taxes and civil rights.

Bush campaigned in Vermont for Rep. Peter Smith, R-Vt., in New Hampshire for Rep. Robert Smith, R-N.H., and in Connecticut for GOP congressional nominee

Gary Franks, a black city alderman, and Rep. John Rowland, who is running for governor.

Rollins, co-chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee, has circulated a memo telling GOP candidates not to hesitate to separate themselves from Bush on a range of issues, the Post said.

The Rollins memo noted the ''precipitous'' drop in Bush's standing in the polls and the ''lack of a clear Republican position on taxes and spending.''

He told GOP candidates their failure to reverse the perceptions ''could fatally wound your campaign.''

''That's Ed Rollins,'' Fitzwater said. ''His comments were injudicious.''

Fitzwater insisted Bush ''had a great reception'' during his New England campaign swing.

In New Hampshire, the Manchester Union-leader newspaper greeted Bush with a cartoon on the front page that depicted a cartoon-face saying, ''Read his lips Mr. President. Go home and take your taxes with him.

He said Bush's polls, running 50 percent to 60 percent approval ratings ''were better than any president in the last 30 years.'' A Gallup survey last week showed his approval rating at 56 percent, down by nearly 20 points from a month ago.

''They're (the Republican candidates) are begging him'' to campaign for them, Fitzwater said.

The president embarks on a five-day West Coast campaign tour Thursday with stops in Arizona, California, Oklahoma and Hawaii.

After a couple of days at the White House, he will hit the trail again, winding up in Houston, Texas, on Tuesday, Nov. 6, Election Day, to vote.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Police in Northern Ireland say two Irish Republican Army bombs exploded today, killing six British soldiers. The I-R-A claimed responsibility for the blasts that wounded more than 20 people and left one person missing. The actions were apparently staged to mark the fifth anniversary of the Anglo-Irish pact giving Dublin a greater say in Northern Ireland's affairs.

President Bush appears headed for victory in the final showdown between Congress and White House over the major civil rights bill of the session.

Senate backers of the legislation are hoping to override the president's veto today and send it to the House for a similar effort. But the prospects for overriding Bush's veto are NOT considered good.

NASA is expressing confidence that the shuttle Atlantis will pass a critical test today at Cape Canaveral. Engineers hope to prove that the ship is leak-free and ready for launch... more than four months after Atlantis was grounded by a tiny hydrogen leak. The space agency plans to ready Atlantis for launch around November 10th on a mission to put a spy satellite in orbit.

The giant defense contractor that makes the B-2 Stealth bomber is trying to shoot down a tiny Texas-based business. Northrop Corporation is taking legal steps to end John Hughes' application for a trademark for his business. Hughes is selling red, white and blue condoms in a cardboard package that looks like the Stealth bomber. But Hughes says there is a difference in products. In his words- ''the condoms perform better than the bomber.''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - The International Monetary Fund said Wednesday it has approved a loan of about $64 million to the government of Sri Lanka to help support the government's economic program.

The new loan brings to about $365 million Sri Lanka's outstanding financial obligations to the international lending agency.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 24) UPI - Grain and soybean futures were mixed in choppy trading at midmorning Wednesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Corn and wheat were supported by follow-through buying in a continuation of Tuesday's late rally.

Wheat had additional support from news that Sri Lanka has been offered 400,000 tons of export bonus wheat, and that Morocco was in the market for 140,000 tons. The wheat basis was higher at the Gulf which contributed to the gains.

Favorable harvest weather limited the gains in corn and pressured soybean prices, along with the prospect of an increase in country movement as farmers run out of on-farm storage.

Traders look for heavy deliveries of November soybeans on Oct. 31, which is the first notice day. Liquidation and the lack of export business also weighed on soybean values.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.32 3/4 up 1; Mar 2.42 1/4 up 1 1/4; May 2.48 up 1 1/4.

Soybeans Nov 6.14 off 1/2; Jan 6.29 1/2 up 1/4; Mar 6.43 1/4 off 1/2; May 6.56 off 1/2.

Wheat Dec 2.64 3/4 up 1 1/4; Mar 2.78 3/4 up 3/4; May 2.85 1/4 up 1/4.

Oats Dec 1.24 1/2 up 1/2; Mar 1.34 1/2 unch; May 1.41 1/4 unch.

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FORT WAYNE, Ind. (OCT. 24) UPI - Local union leaders said a new furlough at the General Motors Corp. pickup truck plant should not have a major impact on the economy.

GM will shut down the plant for four weeks during the next two months to reduce inventories. A similar closing took place earlier in the year.

Under the labor contract between GM and the United Auto Workers, employees will receive about 95 percent of their regular pay during the layoffs.

''I don't feel it will have a significant impact,'' Randy Schmidt, president of UAW Local 2209, said Tuesday.

The factory has a $100 million annual payroll, employing 3,000 people overall, including 2,700 hourly workers.

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PROVIDENCE, R.I. (OCT. 24) UPI - The Electric Boat division of General Dynamics appears to have a 50-50 shot at beating out a Virginia shipyard for the next Seawolf submarine contract, Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., said.

As recently as last week, it looked as though the contract would go automatically to the Newport News (Va.) Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. because of the efforts of its representatives in Congress.

But Pell, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, said Tuesday that a House-Senate Conference on U.S. defense spending has superceded those efforts by approving a provision that gives no preference to EB or Newport News in the contract award.

''EB should now be able to have at least an even chance of landing the second Seawolf contract,'' he said.

Competition for the Seawolf contract comes at a time when Electric Boat is scaling back its work force because of the sagging defense industry.

Nearly 600 employees received layoff notices this month and the company has warned that it may, at worst, have to halve its 23,000- member workforce by 1995.

Electric Boat has its headquarters in Groton, Conn., and maintains a plant at Quonset Point, R.I. About 7,500 Rhode Islanders are employed at the two facilities.

While the latest congressional action gives Electric Boat hope for snagging the contract, and saving local jobs, Pell said it does not give EB the competitive advantage that the company had hoped for.

EB had been seen by Rhode Island congressional members as more likely to receive the contract if it was bid competitively because it is building the first Seawolf and has already absorbed various start-up costs for the sub program.

But a stipulation was added to the defense authorization bill that negated the advantage, Pell said.

''My own view is that lower cost should be the paramount factor in the procurement,'' the senator said. ''But even if weight must be given to other factors, I would hope EB would prevail because of their long- established record of excellence.''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - Rep. Donald ''Buz'' Lukens, convicted of having sex with a teenage girl, resigned his House seat Wednesday rather than face new charges he fondled a Capitol elevator operator.

In a letter to Ohio Gov. Richard Celeste, Lukens, R-Ohio, said he was resigning ''effective immediately, for the good of the Congress and the integrity of the institution.''

Lukens had been ordered to appear Tuesday afternoon before the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, but obtained a 24-hour delay to weigh his options.

With his decision to resign, the committee loses jurisdiction over Lukens and does not need to take further action.

The Cleveland Plain Dealer reported Wednesday Lukens had decided to resign

rather than risk being forced out and stripped of his pension and other benefits.

The newspaper said a source close to the investigation said Lukens patted the elevator operator on her buttocks, rubbed her back and shoulders and gave her his business card, listing his home phone number and private office number.

One unidentified source said there may be a witness, a passenger on the elevator.

Another source told The Plain Dealer the woman became so frightened of Lukens last Wednesday that she asked her fiance to act as her bodyguard on the elevator.

''She felt as if she were a hostage in that elevator,'' the source said. ''She was humiliated and afraid because, after all, this was a member of Congress.''

On Tuesday, House Republican leader Robert Michel demanded Lukens resign or face loss of his pension.

The ethics committee, which had conducted a preliminary investigation last year into the sex conviction against Lukens, said in a statement Monday that since that inquiry ''the committee has received additional evidence indicating that Rep. Lukens may have made unwanted and unsolicited sexual advances to a congressional employee.''

The 12-member committee also stripped Lukens, 59, of some of his defense rights under House rules.

The panel voted that ''for the purpose of allowing this committee and the ... House to fully consider all issues before it concerning the conduct of Rep. Lukens, that pursuant to Rule 7, all time-frames provided under the committee's standing rules of procedure that apply to any statement of alleged violation that might be issued are hereby waived.''

Lukens' office issued a statement saying, ''My attorneys have advised me that since little or nothing is known about the new allegations, there will be no comment until we have more information.''

Lukens, who has served in the House from 1967 to 1971 and since 1986, was convicted in May 1989 in Franklin County Juvenile Court in Columbus on a charge of contributing to the unruliness of a minor for having sex with a 16-year-old girl.

Lukens, who did not testify or present any witnesses on his behalf, was sentenced to 30 days in jail, fined $500 and ordered to attend counseling for sex offenders.

The conviction was upheld by an appeals court and is now before the Ohio Supreme Court.

He refused repeated demands from Republican Party leaders that he resign, but he was defeated in a bid for re-election in the primary election in May, finishing a distant third in a four-man race.

In Columbus, Ohio Republican Party Chairman Robert Bennett again called on Lukens to resign.

''I think it's unfortunate that we have now another incident, assuming that to be true, and this is the first I've heard of it. I think that is unfortunate and I would again encourage Buz Lukens to resign his office.''

Lukens, a hardline conservative from Middletown in southwest Ohio, was once one of the brightest stars in the Republican Party.

As a young conservative, Lukens teamed with Rep. John Ashbrook of Ohio, William Rusher, editor of the National Review, Tennessee businessman William Brock, F. Clifton White of New York and other arch-conservatives to defeat the moderate wing of the Republican Party and nominate Barry Goldwater for president in 1964.

Lukens's 10-year marriage ended in divorce in 1983, and soon thereafter he was battling throat cancer, an ailment that left him scarred at the neck.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
David White Inc				
Interstate Genl LP				
Usual				
Alfa Corp	Q	.22	12-3	11-15
Allergen Inc	Q	.07	12-7	11-16
Banknorth Group	Q	.27	12-17	11-23
Duriron Co	Q	.12 1/2	12-7	11-2
Family Dollar Stores	Q	.10	1-15	12-14
Fidelity Bncshs	Q	.25	11-16	11-6
IWC Resoureces	Q	.34 1/2	12-3	11-9
Kennametal Inc	Q	.29	11-23	11-9
Legg Mason Inc	Q	.08	1-14	12-20
Lennar Corp	Q	.06	11-15	11-5

MCI Communications	S	.05	12-10	11-16
Northeast Util	Q	.44	12-31	12-2
Nycor Inc	Q	.02	12-4	11-15
Peerless Mfg	Q	.12 1/2	11-30	11-6
Rollins Inc	Q	.14	12-10	11-9
Sanford Corp	Q	.05	11-30	11-13
US Trust Corp	Q	.40	1-25	1-10
Valley Bancorp WI	Q	.28	12-7	11-30
Wicor Inc	Q	.36	11-30	11-9

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Acuson Corp (3rd Q 9-29)	
$73,154,000	$58,465,000
$12,478,000 (.34)	$9,805,000 (.27)
Alleghany Corp (3rd Q)	
$346,000,000	$286,300,000
$14,400,000 (2.21)	$15,300,000 (2.38)
Allergan Inc (3rd Q 9-30)	
$222,200,000	$206,400,000
$25,400,000 (.37)	$26,700,000 (.40)
Amerada Hess (3rd Q 9-30)	
$1,750,700,000	$1,183,100,000
a-$280,000,000 (3.46)	$51,800,000 (.64)
a-Includes a net gain of $213,800,000 (2.64) from petroleum futures trading activities.	
Ameribanc Investors (3rd Q)	
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d-$4,413,000	$632,000 (.10)
d-Deficit.	
Anheuser-Busch (3rd Q)	
$3,120,300,000	$2,701,500,000
$260,700,000 (.92)	$238,300,000 (.83)
Avon Products (3rd Q 9-30)	

$830,800,000 $785,100,000
$44,600,000 (.63) $34,600,000 (.46)

Banknorth Group (3rd Q)
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$1,200,000 (.18) $4,000,000 (.59)

Castle & Cooke (3rd Q 10-6)
$879,022,000 $761,618,000
$44,039,000 (.74) $23,413,000 (.39)

Centerior Energy (3rd Q 9-30)
$673,015,000 $637,619,000
$99,749,000 (.72) $108,857,000 (.78)

Cominco Ltd (3rd Q 9-30)
$335,000,000 $330,500,000
$11,600,000 (.13) $34,200,000 (.42)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Commercial Metals (4th Q 8-31)
$293,776,000 $322,389,000
$7,164,000 (.65) $7,057,000 (.61)

Compaq Computer (3rd Q 9-30)
$862,960,000 $682,980,000
$123,635,000 (1.38) $87,107,000 (1.01)

Computer Assoc Intl (2nd Q 9-30)
$310,643,000 $282,041,000
$27,914,000 (.15) $9,605,000 (.05)

DuPont Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$9,933,000,000 $8,589,000,000
$533,000,000 (.79) $547,000,000 (.79)

FPL Group (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,774,486,000 $1,812,525,000
d-$568,548,000 $158,641,000 (1.20)
d-Deficit. Includes an after-tax charge of
$751,543,000. The company said $689 million
of the charge represented reserve
stregthening and write-downs related to its
insurance subsidiary, Colonial Penn Group Inc.

Goodyear Tire & Rubber (3rd Q 9-30)
$2,899,700,000 $2,679,100,000
d-$61,400,000 $70,500,000 (1.14)

d-Deficit.

Grow Group (1st Q 9-30)
$108,086,000 $105,716,000
$1,131,000 (.10) $10,352,000 (.89)

Hannaford Bros (3rd Q 9-29)
$441,437,000 $394,367,000
$11,504,000 (.58) $10,278,000 (.52)

Harris Corp (1st Q 9-28)
$729,486,000 $729,208,000
$17,512,000 (.44) $25,588,000 (.66)

Harman Intl (1st Q 9-30)
$131,595,000 $117,962,000
$969,000 (.11) $3,429,000 (.40)
The company attributed the decreased
earnings to weak demand in the U.S. for
automobiles and other consumer durable
hard goods and to the situaTION IN THE middle east.

Knight-Ridder (3rd Q)
$570,548,000 $540,973,000
a-$36,588,000 (.73) $33,980,000 (.65)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Loral Corp (2nd Q 9-30)
$357,148,000 $295,688,000
$20,919,000 (.83) $19,828,000 (.79)

Meritor Savings Bank (3rd Q)
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d-$22,606,000 d-$14,068,000
d-Deficit.

Nacco Industries (3rd Q 9-30)
$324,420,000 $372,153,000
$8,977,000 (1.10) $13,798,000 (1.55)

Nova Corp Alberta (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,183,000,000 $1,088,000,000
$42,000,000 (.12) $7,000,000 (.01)
Canadian rate

Public Service New Mexico (3rd Q)
$194,800,000 $218,500,000
$1,800,000 (.13) $25,800,000 (.55)

Ryder System (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,352,253,000 $1,276,790,000
$28,304,000 (.35) d-$27,574,000
d-Deficit

Sears Roebuck (3rd Q 9-30)
$13,957,000,000 $13,176,500,000
$179,200,000 (.53) $257,500,000 (.75)

Sun Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$3,350,000,000 $2,730,000,000
$25,000,000 (.24) $85,000,000 (.80)

Sun Microsystems (1st Q 9-28)
$677,049,000 $538,511,000
$26,062,000 (.26) $5,185,000 (.07)

Tonka Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$259,100,000 $274,200,000
$3,900,000 (.27) $10,400,000 (1.19)

Weirton Steel (3rd Q 9-30)
$294,714,000 $318,223,000
$3,135,000 (.14) a-$1,634,000 (.08)
a-Reflects $12,595,000 loss on early extinguishment of debt.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 24) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Wednesday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 69-75.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 76-79.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - A victim of a rampaging pack of toughs in Central Park testified Wednesday in the trial of two youths charged with attacking a woman jogger, identifying his blood-encrusted clothes.

John Loughlin, 43, a public school teacher, testified at the trial of Kharey Wise, 18, and Kevin Richardson, 16, but was not able to identify either Wise or Richardon as his attacker.

Robert Garner, a Briton, also testified that he was a victim of the ''wilding'' mob.

Wise and Richardon are accused of raping, beating and leaving for dead a 28-year-old investment banker in the upper reaches of the park on April 19, 1989.

Loughlin identified for the prosecution blood-encrusted army fatigue clothing he wore while jogging around the reservoir in the park, along with 11 glossy photographs of head injuries suffered at the hands of the gang.

Loughlin testified that he was running when he noticed the youths beating a person on the ground. He said one of the attackers shouted to him, ''What are you, some kind of vigilante? What are you looking at?''

Loughlin said it was the last thing he remembered before he was struck on the head with a hard object and awakened later covered with blood.

Two other victims of teen-aged marauders Tuesday were unable to identify the defendants as their attackers.

Investment banker David Lewis, 32, testified on Tuesday that he was jogging around the reservoir about 9:20 p.m. when a group of youths threw a rock past him and then struck him on the arm.

Lewis was asked by Wise's lawyer, Colin Moore, to look over at the short, muscular defendant on trial on 13 criminal counts stemming from the one-hour rampage.

Moore then asked Lewis if he could identify Wise as one of his attackers.

Lewis said he could not, explaining that he did not take time to study his attackers' faces.

Earlier Tuesday Moore posed the same question to Michael Vigna, 31, an advertising executive who was riding his bicycle through the park when he was confronted by a gang of teens, one of whom swung a fist at him.

Vigna also was unable to identify Wise as one of his attackers.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole, the highest-ranking woman in both the Bush and Reagan administrations, has a very long resume, including federal service under six presidents, two Cabinet posts, several other high-level jobs and active membership in both the Republican and Democratic parties.

Her tenure as secretary of labor in the Bush administration has also paralleled a critical era for organized workers as the labor movement in the United States moved to reassert itself after nearly a decade of Reagan-era anti-union sentiment.

An activist secretary, Dole received high marks for her efforts to settle the bitter dispute between the Pittston Coal Co. and striking members of the United Mine Workers union and for launching a highly publicized campaign against violations of the child labor law.

But she was unable to bring those same skills to the ongoing strike against Eastern Airline and the violence-marred strike against Greyhound Inc.

Dole resigned as Bush's labor secretary to head up the American Red Cross. There has been speculation that the consummate Washington insider was leaving the administration to prepare for a possible run for the Senate in 1992 from her native North Carolina.

''Secretary Dole brings to this new assignment in the Cabinet a wealth of knowledge that would be hard to match,'' President-elect Bush said when he made the surprise Christmas Eve 1988 announcement.

Just 15 months before, Dole had resigned as secretary of transportation to lend a hand to the presidential campaign of her husband, Sen. Robert Dole, R-Kan., who was locked in a bitter struggle with Bush for the Republican nomination.

"She is the greatest resource we have in our campaign," Dole said at the time.

Together, the Doles are perhaps the best known and most influential husband

and wife team in Washington.

She addressed the Republican National Convention immediately following her husband in August 1984 - one of a series of joint appearances that cast the Doles as a sort of Washington vaudeville team. They trade barbs and alternate in the role of straight man.

And when Bush tagged her for the Cabinet, the Kansas senator remarked wryly, ''It looks like TV dinners for me again, but I'll probably still vote for her confirmation.''

Mrs. Dole, also known for her sense of humor, has been quoted as saying their childless marriage has been enriched by their two careers. ''He boils a good hot dog and he's pretty good at hamburgers,'' she said, but noted he refuses to make anything ''that calls for more than one ingredient.''

Beneath the witty exterior, however, lies what Mrs. Dole's home state newspaper, The Raleigh News & Observer, once described as a ''mythical Southern figure come to life, a steel magnolia.''

Dole's political career began as a Democrat in the administration of Lyndon Johnson, where she served as an assistant to the Commission on Consumer Affairs head Betty Furness. She continued under Richard Nixon's consumer affairs adviser, Virginia Knauer, and in 1973, Nixon apppointed her - the only woman - to the Federal Trade Commission.

''I want to serve because of my professional qualifications, not because I'm a woman,'' she once said. ''I think of myself as a professional first, not 'the woman.'''

Dole was born ''Liddy'' Hanford in Salisbury, N.C., July 29, 1936, the Southern belle daughter of a wealthy florist. At Duke University, she was both Phi Beta Kappa graduate and May Queen. She earned a master's degree and her law degree from Harvard University.

She married Robert Dole in 1975. Eight months after their wedding, Gerald Ford chose Dole as his vice presidential running mate, and Elizabeth Dole took a leave of absence from the FTC to help him campaign.

In 1982, Regan named her transportation secretary.

As secretary she presided over some of the most turbulent years in U.S. aviation history that saw public confidence shaken in airline safety and angry over deteriorating service.

Dole set policy for the nation's aviation, highway, railroad, mass transit and maritime resources and was the first woman to head a branch of the armed services - the Coast Guard.

She also advocated requiring air bags or self-buckling safety belts for new automobiles and got her way in an administration not disposed to more government regulation.

She announced her resignation on Sept. 14, 1987, so that she could devote full time to Sen. Dole's presidential campaign.

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BONN, Germany (OCT. 24) UPI - German deputies Wednesday debated the financial dealings of the former East German parties amid allegations the renamed Communist Party had embezzled millions of dollars.

During a heated debate in the Bundestag, the German parliament, the Social Democratic Party urged the government to make public the financial wealth of the East German parties which were once closely allied with the ruling Communist Party.

Social Democratic deputy Herta Daeubler-Gmelin said the government should not only investigate the renamed Communist Party's fortune, but also the accounts of the former Communist satellite parties, including the Christian Democratic Union.

Recent reports alleged the Party for Democratic Socialism, formerly the East German Communist Party, had illegally transferred several million dollars worth of Deutsche marks to foreign accounts, including $66 million to Moscow.

The allegations led to a police raid on the PDS headquarters in Berlin and another party office in Halle last week.

PDS chairman Gregor Gysi had condemned the raids ''as absolutely unjustified'' and filed an official complaint with the Berlin authorities.

He said the PDS considered the payments to be regular party costs, which did not require official permission. Under German law, a party needs to get the permission from an independent commission if it wants to transfer money from its accounts.

Volker Ruehe, Christian Democratic deputy and close aide to Chancellor Helmut Kohl, called it an affront that Gysi portrayed himself as the victim of state prosecution.

''You belong to a party of assailants and cannot be counted as a victim,'' Ruehe said during the debate.

Ruehe sharply rejected Social Democratic allegations that the Christian

Democratic party was using money from the former East German Christian Democratic party to campaign for the Dec. 2 national election.

The East German Christian Democrats had turned from a communist bloc party into a close ally of its West German sister party after the ouster of the Stalinist leadership last fall. The two merged shortly before German unification Oct. 3.

The Social Democratic Party was banned in East Germany until its reestablishment a year ago. The East and West Social Democrats merged into one party a week before unification.

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PARIS (OCT. 24) UPI - Designer Yves Saint Laurent, the king of Paris fashion, revived longer skirts, body-hiding fullness and harem bloomers in the Paris ready-to-wear shows Wednesday.

He also confused many spectators.

After the parade under a tent in the Louvre museum courtyard, store buyers and press milled around arguing about the YSL parade that closed the eight-day fashion festival.

Harper's Bazaar magazine loved it, a prominent U.S. critic labeled it ''vulgar'' and a puzzled New York newswoman frowned she could not decide.

But spectators were on their feet cheering at the final line-up of staggeringly beautiful silk or chiffon harem pants with gold embroidery, molded brassiere tops or boleros or no tops at all, tons of beaded or metal necklaces, whirling chiffon scarves, fez hats, tassels and multi- colored cord belts. Some models covered bare breasts with their hands.

Backstage, Saint Laurent said the spectacular pants were inspired by the late Russian artist Leon Bakst, who designed for the Ballet Russe. YSL's home in Morocco also furnished ideas of fez hats and the Sheherazade ''One Thousand and One Nights'' mood.

Saint Laurent, who has long suffered from nervous problems, lurched on the runway and spoke backstage with difficulty.

His shows once marched at a dignified pace to dignified music, but heavy metalshook the tent Wednesday as more models than usual crowded onto the runway, some in bosom-baring fashions. One had the feeling Saint Laurent was showing a sharply commercial line to compete with the loud and lively shows of designers such as Karl Lagerfeld.

For happy YSL clients: tons of plenty of pants - trouser suits, cigarette pants with hooded loose jackets, knickers, bloomers both short and long in harem style, shorts, tights above-knee or below-knee bicycle tights - all trends seen in other shows.

The revolutionary numbers were back-wrap jersey or cotton skirts falling to mid-calf, and A-line tent shapes hiding the body. Both trends are likely to shake the current monopoly of short and sexy skin-hugging clothes.

Of the new long numbers, a slim wrap-around white skirt had a short red jacket and black lace blouse. A black midi dress bared one shoulder, a trend repeated often. A white midi dress and blue long skirts were brightened by gold buttons matching up the side.

Saint Laurent repeated the rush in Paris to mix exciting colors. A purple belted jacket topped sky blue pants, pale green trousers set off a pale blue ballooning blouse A lime coat married an orange skirt and mustard top. A pale green linen coat gently sloping over beige linen top and trousers was a dream.

But a curtain should be drawn over his wild red and ruffled fluffy mini dresses. Forget his baseball caps with big visors.

Short evening underslip dresses, popular in other shows, appeared at Saint Laurent cut disastrously too low. He also joined the sequin rage with a long brown sequin sheath and a short black sequinned dress sporting a giant green ball of ostrich feathers bobbing on one shoulder.

Fabrics ranged from cotton pique and linen to light wool, silk and chiffon with lots of lace blouses and edges and one sighed-over lace tailored jacket with white satin lapels over white cotton trousers.

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#90297u1019 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 24) UPI - This could be the last day of work for hundreds of thousands of federal employees as the government hurtles toward another budget crisis deadline. It runs out of money at midnight tonight unless Congress comes up with another of its continuing resolutions to keep the money flowing.

The latest budget stumbing block apparently is over the Bush administration plan to get more money from the very wealthy by limiting their deductions. About half of the House Democrats oppose that, saying it would be unfair to those in high tax states like New York or California.

The Bush administration is about to get its first defection. Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole is reported ready to leave to become the head of the American Red Cross, at a salary well above what she is making now. The wife of Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas has served in a number of top

government positions before, including transportation secretary in the Reagan era.

Authorities say at least two people were killed and 23 others wounded in election day fighting in Pakistan. The vote is seen as a referendum on the president's decision to fire the government of Benazir Bhutto . The fighting erupted despite tight security that had almost 100-thousand troops on alert nation-wide.

A general strike called by leftist unions in the Philippines failed to paralyze Manila today. But Communist guerrillas torched buses and battled with police and transport drivers. Defense and military officials say the strike disrupted transportation facilities and four major bus companies suspended service to the north region of the country.

Two I-R-A bombs killed six British soldiers and wounded more than 20 other people today in Northern Ireland. At least one person is reported missing in the wake of the blasts, which came as cars were driven into British checkpoints. The missing person was driving one of the cars. The I-R-A claimed responsibility for the bombings. The vehicles were driven by men whose families were held hostage. One driver managed to escape with only a broken leg.

Residents along the California-Nevada border near Yosemite National Park will be checking for any damage this morning following a relatively strong earthquake that rolled through the area late yesterday. The quake measured five-point-seven on the open-ended Richter scale. The epicenter was five miles north of the small town of Lee Vining, California.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 24) UPI - The Navy has fished a rare World War II dive bomber from the depths of Lake Michigan and will display it at the National Museum of Naval Aviation in Florida.

The 32-foot SBD Douglas Dauntless, guns still intact, was brought to the surface Tuesday about 16 miles off Chicago's Navy Pier, in 130-feet of water.

Navy officials said the two-seat, single-engine plane is rare find because there are fewer than 10 around.

The plane sank on Nov. 23, 1943, after the pilot came in for a landing on the converted aircraft carrier Wolverine during a training mission. The landing was awkward and the plane flipped over the vessel's left side and sank. The pilot was not injured.

Officials estimate the plane was one of up to 200 World War II aircraft at the

bottom of the lake because of similar mishaps.

The plane was missing its left wing and part of the tail section. It will be dismantled and shipped to the museum in Pensacola, Fla., for restoration.

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DECATUR, Ill. (OCT. 24) UPI - Caterpillar Inc. plans to lay off 40 hourly workers at the company's Decatur plant on Nov. 5, partially because of slow sales of heavy equipment produced at the facility.

Caterpillar spokesman Charles Hippler said Tuesday the sales of wheel-tractor scrapers used for highway construction and land contracting is ''soft.'' He also said some painting operations for the company will be shifted from Decatur to a plant in East Peoria to create floor space for further plant modernization, prompting some of the layoffs.

Despite near-record and record sales, Caterpillar reported lower earnings for the second and third quarters of 1990. In the third quarter, the company said it had earnings of just 54 cents a share, despite sales of $2.79 billion.

Caterpillar's Construction and Mining Products Division has facilities in Decatur, East Peoria and Aurora, all in Illinois.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 24) UPI - Communist guerrillas supporting a general strike called by leftist unions demanding pay raises set fire to buses and clashed with police and transport drivers Wednesday, but the violence that left three people dead failed to paralyze the capital.

Armed forces chief Gen. Renato de Villa said a bus driver and his conductor were fatally stabbed in Dasmarinas town outside Manila by guerrilla strike enforcers and three policemen were wounded in clashes with the rebels in the city.

And in Bulacan province north of Manila, officials said one guerrilla was killed and three troopers were wounded when soldiers tried to foil a rebel attempt to burn a bus in San Miguel town.

Defense and military officials said the strike stopped much public transportation in the capital and four major bus companies suspended services to outlying provinces.

But in the capital, the military brought in 200 trucks to ferry thousands of stranded commuters to work. They also provided escorts on buses, which

remained on their routes.

Adolf Azcuna, spokesman for President Corazon Aquino, said the president ''noted the fact that this strike really failed to paralyze the nation.''

Transport Secretary Oscar Orbos said 30 to 40 percent of public transportation in the capital was stopped by the strike.

Labor Secretary Ruben Torres said ''token'' delegations of workers in 246 of the 16,000 companies nationwide joined the strike. He said of the striking workers, about 2,000 held a rally at a downtown square and later at the Senate.

Strike organizers said their 485 unions paralyzed operations in factories in the capital, where schools were ordered closed for a second day on Thursday.

At least 15 passenger buses, a taxi and a 10-wheeler truck were burned by guerrillas of the communist New Peoples Army, which earlier sent letters and black ribbons to police, government and private offices warning them against interfering in the strike, police officials said.

The 19,000-member NPA has been trying to set up a Marxist state in the Philippines for 21 years.

Police said 30 people were arrested for carrying Molotov cocktails and steel spikes, burning used tires and barricading main streets in the capital. Among those arrested was transport union leader Medardo Roda.

''This is no longer a people's strike, but a strike by the left against the people,'' said Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos.

He said the 150,000-member armed forces would remain on full alert until the situation was fully stabilized.

Crispin Beltran, leader of the striking May 1st Movement denied his men were involved in violence and said the strike will continue until demands for a $1.48 increase in the minimum daily wage of $3.46 were granted.

Aquino, who has authorized a 66-cent increase to compensate for a 29 percent increase in petroleum prices triggered by the Persian Gulf crisis, has refused to grant the union demand. She said many companies cannot afford the raise.

Aquino Wednesday signed into law a bill raising the penalty for rebellion from 12 years to life imprisonment and makes it a non-bailable offense. The measure also makes a coup d'etat attempt a crime, punishable by life in prison. The crime is non-bailable.

Aquino has crushed seven military rebellions in her 4 1/2 years as president.

Maj. Gen. Rodolfo Biazon, deputy armed forces chief, said authorities were watching to see if rebel soldiers would join in the destabilization effort by the communists, noting a report the mutineers had forged an alliance with the NPA.

Despite the strike, the Manila Stock Exchange remained bouyant Wednesday. The composite price index surged for the second straight day to 573.16, up 18.16 points or 3.27 percent, mainly because of drop in world oil prices.

Aquino, facing a huge budget deficit that has forced her government to resort to massive domestic borrowings, has refused to grant the increase. Her government also is grappling with a $26 billion foreign debt.

The killing of two moderate labor leaders on Monday and the bombing of two oil companies Tuesday set the tone for the general strike.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - One week after leaders worked out a possible solution, a key senator said a bill to improve scrutiny of the futures industry ''appears for all practical purposes dead'' due to an unending fight over stock index futures.

Spurred by revelations of an undercover FBI investigation of trading practices at the nation's two largest commodity exchanges, Congress started work two years ago on ways to put more teeth into the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

Action has been stalemated for nearly a year, however, by an acrimonious fight over which federal agency should control stock index futures. The Bush administration wants to put the Securities and Exchange Commission in charge, a proposal the futures industry and farm- state congressmen regard as a power grab that would not result in better regulation.

Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., during a floor speech Tuesday night, said the bill to reform the CTFC ''appears for all practical purposes dead for this Congress'' because the bill had become a hostage to the fight over stock index futures.

Other senators involved in efforts to get the CFTC bill moving were unavailable for comment about prospects for the bill. However, two staff workers said the bill was blocked from debate because of ''holds'' - objections raised by senators.

Last week, leaders of the Agriculture and Banking committees, the panels with jurisdiction over the CFTC and the SEC, proposed a compromise. Leahy said it proved impossible to arrange debate on the compromise or even a bill that

would revamp the CFTC for one year - a tack that would have guaranteed a vehicle for the stock index issue next year.

''Senators are elected to make decisions, not to duck behind parliamentary holds or other maneuvers,'' Leahy said.

The compromise would have given the Federal Reserve Board the authority to decide the size of so-called margins on stock index trading but letting CFTC to keep control of the instrument. However, there also would have been a vote over transferring futures to the SEC.

Members of the Agriculture Committee voted 19-0 last Nov. 2 for a bill that would ban for one year the practice of ''dual trading,'' under which traders can execute customer orders and make deals for themselves, and direct CFTC to develop ''new generation'' technology to keep closer track of trading.

The House approved, 420-0, last Sept. 13 a bill to ban dual trading, make the CFTC a permanent agency and toughen its scrutiny of trading.

Both bills would authorize a sizable increase in funding for CFTC.

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RANGOON, BURMA (OCT. 24) UPI - Burma's military government widened a crackdown on its opponents Wednesday, raiding the offices of the leading political party and detaining Buddhist monks, according to political leaders and diplomats.

''Troops are still going into the temples and arresting monks in Mandalay,'' said a Rangoon-based diplomat contacted from Bangkok. ''At least 40 monks are in custody.''

Burmese sources said 32 monasteries of two large monastic estates were raided on Tuesday and Wednesday, with troops seizing anti- government pamphlets, copying machines and typewriters.

The government newspaper Working People's Daily said the pamphlets were the work of the outlawed Communist Party.

Sources in Mandalay, the center of the Buddhist religion in Burma, said troops were blockading nine more monastic estates housing about 10, 000 of Burma's nearly 300,000 monks.

The troops are using what is described as the ''four-cuts strategy'' used by the army against insurgents in cutting off food supplies, information, contacts with people and contacts with comrades.

The arrests and raids on Buddhist monasteries began on Monday in an effort to crush a religious boycott in which monks refused to perform rites such as weddings and funerals for military personnel and their families. The Burmese military seized direct power in 1988, killing more than 500 people and suppressing a nationwide democracy movement.

The military earlier issued a decree dissolving all Buddhist organizations supporting the boycott.

''This seems to be a political mistake. The Burmese people can forgive political arrests and beatings, but this attack on their religion may push them too far,'' said a European diplomat. ''Maybe the military feels repression is the only way they can hold onto power - that is their top priority.''

Troops were posted at several monasteries in Rangoon, but there were no reports of action against them so far.

Security forces instead raided the headquarters of the main opposition party, the National League for Democracy, political sources said.

About a dozen party leaders, including four members of the party central executive committee, have been detained by the authorities following these raids, the sources said.

A diplomat said NLD offices in the countryside were also searched by security forces.

Officials declined to comment on the reports.

The NLD won 80 percent of the seats in national elections in May, but the military has refused to allow the legislature to convene.

Men believed to be security police also arrested Ne Win, a Burmese reporter working for the Japanese newspaper Asahi Shimbun, diplomats and an Asahi Shimbun official said.

The official in Bangkok said Ne Win's family told him that 10 men dressed like members of the National Investigation Bureau took the reporter away from his home at 5 a.m. along with copies of his stories.

Ne Win, who is no relation to former President Ne Win, is the father of an NLD candidate who was elected to a seat in Parliament in May.

The arrests and raids came only 10 days before a scheduled visit to Rangoon by an official from the U.N. human rights commission.

A diplomat said the government was rushing to improve conditions at Insein

Prison north of Rangoon where most political prisoners are held.

''They are whitewashing the walls, and handing out mosquito nets and mattresses,'' the diplomat said.

''They seem to be creating what we could call a Potemkin prison,'' the diplomat said in a reference to the 18th century Russian statesman who created special villages to impress visitors.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 24) UPI - Health Department officials tried to save some money by buying discount Japanese condoms for public distribution but users say they are uncomfortable and defective.

Users of the condoms, which cost about a half-cent less than the city's regular brand, are reporting they are too tight, too thin and too easily torn.

The condoms, known as Crowns, are manufactured by Okamoto Industries of Tokyo and were supplied to the city through a branch office in Connecticut.

The city, responding to its budget crisis, opted for the Crown condoms when the price of its customary condoms rose to 5.5 cents apiece.

City officials recently approved payment for shipment of 625,000 Crowns at 5.1 cents apiece.

David Fair, former director of the city's AIDS Activities Coordination Office, said city officials probably were just looking for a good deal.

Fair, who resigned in February, said the condoms were not ordered according to his specifications, as the ageny's current head claims.

Some private health agencies have said they will no longer dispense the condoms.

The condoms are distributed to some 30 health agencies for distribution to lower-income residents for the prevention of syphillis, AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases.

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#90297u1093 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

ST. PAUL, Minn. (UPI) Northwest Airlines plans to cancel nine daily flights out of Detroit and three from Memphis, Tenn., as part of its cost-cutting program.

The airline said Tuesday the Detroit flights are to Kalamazoo, Mich., Boston, Columbus, Ohio, Milwaukee, Chicago's Midway Airport, Pittsburgh, San Diego and Seattle-Tacoma. Mesaba Aviation, Northwest's commuter partner will assume service for Kalamazoo, Columbus and Lansing.

The Memphis flights to be canceled beginning Nov. 1 are to San Diego, Seattle and St. Louis.

Northwest intends to eliminate 25 to 30 flights, or about 2 percent of its 1,400 scheduled daily flights. Northwest previously announced plans to reduce five flights out of the Twin Cities and three between Seattle and Spokane, Wash.

The Twin Cities-based airline also is going to reduce its work force and raise fares by nearly 6 percent.

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#90297u1104 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 24) UPI - The Soviet Union is jeopardizing its security by observing a unilateral moratorium on nuclear weapons testing while the United States continues such tests, a senior official said Wednesday.

Viktor Mikhailov, deputy minister of atomic energy, said the Soviet government has not conducted an underground explosion to test its nuclear arsenal for nearly a year despite Washington's refusal to stop its own atomic blasts.

''Is this political risk justified in our time?'' Mikhailov told the Communist Party newspaper Pravda. ''The Soviet Union's unilateral nuclear disarmament can only lead to a U.S. monopoly.''

Mikhailov's equation of a test ban with ''nuclear disarmament'' appeared to support U.S. claims that such explosions are necessary to ensure the reliability of atomic weapons, an assertion long refuted by Moscow.

Mikhailov accused the United States and its NATO allies of continuing to modernize their nuclear weapons, citing efforts to make their multiple-warhead rockets more precise and create weapons less vulnerable to anti-missile defenses.

The Western military alliance has also refused to follow the Soviet Union's pledge not to be the first to use nuclear arms in any confrontation, Mikhailov said.

''Is it reasonable for Soviet nuclear testing grounds to lie idle under these conditions?'' he asked.

The deputy minister said the United States has conducted seven nuclear

explosions, France has conducted four and China two this year during the latest of several self-imposed Soviet testing bans.

The United States has conducted a total of 26 nuclear tests over the past five years while the Soviets were observing moratoriums, Mikhailov said.

His comments appeared to reflect the undercurrent of criticism in some Soviet military circles of President Mikhail Gorbachev's foreign policy of ''new thinking'' and its more concialatory stance toward the West.

Mikhailov's remarks also may indicate the new demands on the once- sancrosant Soviet military-industrial establishment to compete for government funding under growing pressure to reduce the budget deficit.

The United States, the Soviet Union and Britain signed a treaty in 1963 banning atmospheric nuclear tests, and the two superpowers later agreed to restrict the size of underground explosions.

Mikhailov repeated Moscow's longstanding call for a complete international ban on all nuclear tests.

The Soviet government has encountered growing public opposition from residents in Semipalatinsk, the city in the Central Asian republic of Kazakhstan where the main Soviet nuclear test site is located. The local government banned further tests at the site Oct. 1 in a symbolic decree it cannot enforce.

The U.S. government has also faced widespread opposition from people living near its main test site in Nevada.

Recent U.S-Soviet progress on reducing the number of nuclear weapons has slowed the movement for a test ban.

President Reagan and Gorbachev signed an agreement in December 1987 eliminating all medium-range and shorter-range nuclear missiles, and the two superpowers are nearing completion of an accord cutting long-range strategic arms by about one-third.

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#90297u1118 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 24) UPI - Stocks prices closed lower Wednesday in light trading on the London International Stock Exchange, driven down by reports of the widening recession in the British economy and renewed tensions in the Persian Gulf.

Stocks also ended lower in Frankfurt, Paris, Zurich and Madrid.

London's blue chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which climbed 25.0 points

Tuesday, fell 16.5 points to 2,110.5. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 15.8 points to 1,638.9.

Volume amounted to around 468 million shares compared with 375 million shares changing hands Tuesday.

Analysts said stocks fell amid a combination of factors including higher global oil prices, some profit taking and indications interest rates will not fall in the near term.

Market watchers said stocks fell as oil prices resumed their climb after President George Bush warned there would be no compromise with Iraq.

The higher costs of crude sent prices in most industrial issues lower, analysts said.

A British Chamber of Commerce report warning of a deepening recession and British Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major's statement that the government won't cut interest rates again ''until it is prudent to do so,'' combined to take some of the shine from blue chip stocks, market watchers added.

Among the active issues, British Airways fell 14 cents to $2.80. Late Tuesday United Airlines announced a $400 million deal to acquire Pan American World Airways' rights to fly between five U.S. cities and London's Heathrow Airport in a move that will triple its European flights.

Analysts saw the acquisition as a possible threat to British Airways, which was rebuffed earlier this year by U.S. regulators over its plan to take a 20 percent stake in UAL.

British Airways, which depends heavily on the London-New York route and has a commercial agreement on routes with UAL said in a statement said it did not see the announcement affecting its marketing agreement with United Airlines under which the two carriers share reservations codes, connect with each other's flights and cooperate in marketing other travel products.

''In general, we do not see the arrangement as affecting the marketing agreement between British Airways and United Airlines,'' the statement said.

Elsewhere, chemicals conglomerate Imperial Chemical Industries slipped 8 cents to $16.01 as investors speculated the company will report lower-than-expected third quarter earnings Thursday.

Eurotunnel, the company building the British segment of the Channel tunnel between France and England, climbed 66 cents to $9.12 on news the company would sign a loan agreement Thursday for an estimated $2.85 billion in fresh financing for the project.

Retalier Marks and Spencers fell 21 cents to $4.38 with a cautious trading statement expected next week.

Drugs group Glaxo fell 32 cents to $14.72 amid reports that its ulcer drug, Zantac, was not selling as well as expected.

Meanwhile, stocks closed broadly lower in active trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The key 30-stock German Stock Index, which climbed 39.83 points Tuesday, fell 20.52 points to 1,493.82 as declines overpowered advances by about a 6-to-1 ratio.

Analysts said stocks lost ground amid some speculation that the Deutsche Bank Ag would report a sharp drop in its latest earnings.

Elsewhere around Europe, in Paris, the CAC-40 Index fell 8.93 points to 1,667.24, in Madrid, the General Index lost 0.92 point to 240.16 and in Zurich the Swiss Market Index slipped 4.3 points to 1,494.8.

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#90297u1129 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (OCT. 24) UPI - Pakistanis chose a new government Wednesday in violence-marred elections to determine whether ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto would be returned to power.

Gunbattles between rival supporters left at least seven people dead and 56 wounded. A Bhutto ally also charged that gunmen took over a polling station and seized ballot papers.

Tight security was in force for the voting, with almost 100,000 troops on alert nationwide, about half of them in violence-torn southern Sind Province.

About 48 million people were eligible to vote.

At stake were 214 seats in the 217-member National Assembly. Three independent candidates were elected unopposed and polling was postponed in one constituency where a candidate was shot and killed on Monday.

Pakistani reporters said the turnout appeared lower than in the 1988 elections when 43 percent of voters cast ballots.

In the Sind capital of Karachi, more troops were visible than voters at many polling stations, and the streets were largely deserted except for military armored personnel carriers. Reports from Punjab, the country's most populous province, indicated a slightly higher turnout than in other provinces.

Six international teams were in Pakistan to observe the elections, including a 40-member delegation from the U.S.-based National Democratic Institute.

Bhutto voted in her hometown of Larkana in Sind, from where she stood as a candidate. She later prayed at the grave of her father, the executed Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto.

Police said seven people were killed and 56 wounded in gunbattles between rival supporters in 12 areas in Punjab, Sind and Northwest Frontier provinces.

Commenting on the incidents, President Ishaq Khan said ''violence ... is quite common in the Indian subcontinent, and therefore the law and order situation was satisfactory.''

''All those killed were from one party, while those accused were from another party,'' he added, without elaboration.

It was Khan's decision to sack the Bhutto government on charges of corruption and nepotism last Aug. 6 that brought about the Wednesday referendum.

Asghar Khan, head of the Tehrik-e-Istiqlal, a minor party allied with the PPP, alleged that gunmen had occupied a polling booth in the northeastern city of Lahore where he is standing as a candidate against Nawaz Sharif, head of Islamic Democratic Alliance and Bhutto's chief rival.

Khan charged the gunmen had seized ballot papers and stamped them themselves before escaping.

Pakistani newsmen in Sind also rreported three incidents of ballot- snatching in rural villages.

Most analysts predict the PPP will emerge as the single largest party from Wednesday's vote ahead of the IDA, a disparate army-backed grouping of anti-PPP parties headed by Nawaz Sharif, Bhutto's chief rival.

But they say the PPP is unlikely to get an outright majority and that the Islamic Democratic Alliance should be able to cobble together a coalition government with the help of minor parties and independents.

However, most commentators say an IDA coalition government, founded largely on opposition to Bhutto, may not survive long and that the country could again be going to the polls within a year.

In Bhutto's former constituency, the Karachi slum district of Lyari, voters lined up from early in the morning to cast their ballots. Lyari is being contested this time by Bhutto's husband, Asif Ali Zardari, who is in jail facing charges of kidnapping and extortion.

Ishaq Khan, in a broadcast address to the nation Tuesday evening, issued a veiled appeal to voters to reject Bhutto's party at the polls.

''It happens that the masses first lovingly bring some people to power and then, within a short period, turn against them,'' the president said in an apparent reference to Bhutto's ousted 20-month administration.

''The reason for the gradual withdrawal of their support is either that the rulers disregard their mandate or that the people make an initial error of judgment in the choice of their representatives,'' he said. ''So representatives should be carefully selected on the basis of their character and abilities.''

He appointed Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi to head an interim government until the elections.

The president also set up special disqualification courts to try Bhutto and members of her administration on corruption charges in what observers believe was a bid to bar her from the elections.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (OCT. 24) UPI - The Soviet military chief of staff, Gen. Mikhail Moiseyev, arrived Wednesday for a three-day visit that includes talks with NATO's European commander and other top alliance officials.

''Relations between NATO and the Warsaw Pact are now being built on a new basis,'' Moiseyev told the official Soviet news agency Tass before leaving Moscow on the flight to Brussels.

Moiseyev was greeted at a military airport by the chief of staff of Belgium's armed forces and was taken to the Belgian Supreme Royal Defense Institute for a speech.

On Thursday, the four-star general planned to meet with NATO chiefs of staff at Western alliance headquarters, and also was to hold talks with NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner.

Moiseyev planned to meet Friday with NATO's European commander, Gen. John R. Galvin, at Supreme Headquarters for the Allied Powers in Europe, located in the western Belgian town of Mons.

The Soviet general said the Soviet Union has cut back on its military exercises and that NATO should reciprocate.

''This is most important at a time when confrontation is being replaced by the policy of cooperation and mutual understanding, including in the military

sphere,'' he said.

NATO announced at its landmark London summit in July that it would scale back the readiness and availability of its forces.

Moscow already has reduced its armed forces by 370,000 of the half million troop reduction pledged by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev at the United Nations in December 1988, Moiseyev said.

''The entire structure of the Soviet armed forces is being changed in line with a defensive military doctrine,'' he said.

Shortly after the London summit, Woerner visited Moscow and announced that Gorbachev had accepted an invitation to visit NATO headquarters.

NATO officials hoped Gorbachev could visit late this year, but an early 1991 date now is considered more likely.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - American and British nationals freed by Iraq headed home Wednesday and the international community stood firm against Baghdad, with King Fahd of Saudi Arabia reaffirming his demand for a complete withdrawal from occupied Kuwait.

As the Pentagon reportedly considered increasing U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf, Japanese lawmakers debated a bill that would deploy Japanese troops to the region and a senior Soviet envoy again raised hopes for a peaceful solution to the crisis.

By late Wednesday, 14 Americans freed by Iraq had left Jordan for the United States, a U.S. official in Amman said. The State Department said the Americans will arrive in New York ''this evening aboard a commercial'' flight, but gave no other details.

At least one Texan is among the freed Americans. Houston engineer Lloyd Graham is due to arrive in New York where he will be met by his wife and other relatives, according to Graham's daughter, Stasia Marinelli.

Forty British hostages celebrated their arrival in Britain Wednesday after nearly three months of captivity in Baghdad, but Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said he found it ''grisly and repulsive'' that Iraq had released only sick and old people.

Accompanying them was former Prime Minister Edward Heath, who secured their release after meeting with Saddam Hussein.

''I find it grisly and repulsive that the Iraqis should set about deciding who is so sick, who is so old, that they should be released from the position in which no human being should ever be placed,'' said Hurd, to murmurs of approval from members.

In addition to the British and Americans, Iraq said all French hostages, numbering about 330, were free to leave the country.

France said it was taking all steps to repatriate its nationals in Iraq and Kuwait as soon as possible, again insisting the release was not the result of negotiations with Baghdad.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas told the weekly Council of Ministers session the release of the hostages was the result of the firm policy followed by France in applying U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

Some diplomats and observers said the move by Saddam to free the French was an attempt to divide the Western alliance formed against Iraq.

King Fahd was quoted by the BBC as saying his country's stand in the crisis was unchanged, despite remarks over the weekend by the Saudi defense minister that indicated the kingdom would consider a partial withdrawal of Iraq from emirate in order to maintain peace.

''The explicit and decisive stance declared by Saudi Arabia towards the Iraqi criminal aggression against fraternal Kuwait is firm, irrevocable, clear and unambiguous,'' Fahd was quoted as saying.

''The stance is not subject to any change or negotiations,'' he said.

Saudi Defense Minister Sultan Bin Abdul Aziz hinted Monday that Kuwait should give Iraq two strategic gulf islands in return for a withdrawal from the rest of the country. The following day he said his remarks had been misinterpreted.

The New York Times said a Pentagon spokesman told reporters in Washington that Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, discussed increasing U.S. forces in the gulf with Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, commander of troops in the region, during Powell's visit to Saudi Arabia this week.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney will decide whether more troops should be sent after he meets with Powell following the general's return to Washington, the newspaper said. The Times said a major increase in U.S. troops in the gulf could signal preparation for possible offensive military action.

A senior envoy of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, meanwhile, arrived in Cairo for talks with Egyptian officials on efforts to solve the crisis peacefully, and again raised hopes by repeatedly saying he believes the crisis can be solved without a war.

''We have not yet exhausted all chances available to acheive a peacful solution to the crisis,'' the envoy Yevgeny Primakov told reporters in Cairo. ''My talks during this tour have been positive.''

Primakov, who met with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, is expected to brief Egyptian President Hosni Mubark on the outcome of his visits to Rome, Paris, Washington and Baghdad when Mubarak returns from a tour of the Gulf states this week.

A Soviet news agency reported recently Primakov was attempting to strike a deal by which Iraq would withdraw from Kuwait in exchange for two strategic Gulf islands, but the Soviets and Iraq denied a compromise was in the works.

-Japanese opposition parties ended a one-day boycott of a parliamentary debate of a bill that would allow Japanese troops to be deployed overseas for the first time since World War II. As debate continued, legislators were told Japanese soldiers could supply ammunition to U.S.-led forces under the U.N. Peace Cooperation Bill. Tokyo has pledged billions of dollars to the gulf effort, but has been under pressure to send troops to the region as well.

-The weekly Al Mussawar magazine in Egypt said Mubarak had managed to convince the gulf states to cancel more than $7 billion in Egyptian debt in return for Cairo's strong support of U.S. policy in the gulf crisis. The weekly said Saudi Arabia alone wrote off $4.2 billion in debt and pledged another $2 billion in developmental aid. The U.S. Congress is also considering a request by the Bush administration to forgive $7.1 billion in Egyptian military debt, although the measure has yet to be approved.

-The first group of 17,000 Vietnamese contract workers allowed to leave Iraq flew home via Turkey on flights orgnaized by a Geneva-based aid organization.

-German Chancellor Helmut Kohl met with party leaders to discuss the fate of the 400 Germans being held in Iraq and Kuwait, and former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt decided against earlier considerations to go to Baghdad.

-Switzerland decided against sending a parliamentary delegation to Iraq to seek the release of the 80 Swiss nationals trapped since the crisis began.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 24) UPI - The Soviet Parliament declared Wednesday that national laws supercede local measures, an attempt to counteract sovereignty declarations asserting the supremacy of local laws in most of the country's republics.

A new law passed by the central Supreme Soviet, or Parliament, ''reaffirms the supremacy of federal legislation over republican legal acts within the center's sphere of responsibility,'' the official news agency Tass said.

The law declares invalid measures by the republics declaring the supremacy of local laws over national ones.

Thirteen of the 15 Soviet republics have declared sovereignty since the beginning of the year, and many of them - including the huge Russian republic and the independence-minded Baltics - have declared their laws supercede national ones.

In addition to the republican declarations of sovereignty, autonomous regions and even cities within the republics have declared their own authority is supreme. Ten of the 16 ''autonomous republics'' within the Russian republic have declared sovereignty.

The law passed by the Supreme Soviet Wednesday says if a republic opposes its clauses, it can appeal to the Supreme Soviet or its larger legislature, the Congress of Peoples Deputies.

''We are neither declaring war on republics nor bringing pressure to bear on them,'' said Yuri Kalmykov, chairman of the Supreme Soviet committee on legislation. ''The republics should understand that this legal act is in the interests of all.''

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Thousands of Palestinians are staying home in the occupied territories today. Israel closed checkpoints along its 1967 borders with the West Bank and Gaza Strip in an effort to halt a wave of attacks against Jews following the Temple Mount killings of at least 20 Palestinians in Jerusalem two weeks ago.

30 British hostages released by Iraq arrived in London today as 14 Americans also freed yesterday prepared to fly home from Jordan. France says it is taking steps to repatriate an estimated 330 French hostages who also are being freed. France says it did NOT negotiate the release with Baghdad.

In other gulf news, the New York Times reports that the Pentagon is considering sending more American troops to the region, a move that could signal plans for possible offensive military action. Defense Secretary Cheney will make the final decision on whether to deploy more U-S forces.

With budget talks stymied, all but essential federal services may shut down tomorrow if Congress does NOT come up with another continuing resolution to keep the government funded beyond midnight. President Bush, when asked if he

would sign the funding resolution, answered- ''I don't know.''

The Commerce Department reports a one-point-seven percent drop in durable goods orders last month. But the figures may NOT be what they seem. Most of the drop came on fewer orders for automobiles at model- year change-over time. If they are left out, durable orders were up three-tenths of one percent.

Ohio Republican Congressman Donald Lukens is mulling over his options this morning as he faces possible questions about charges that he allegedly fondled a Capitol elevator operator. Lukens was convicted last year on a separate charge of having sex with a minor. There are reports he may resign.

NASA has the rabbit feet out today. Engineers this afternoon begin a make-or-break fueling test for the repaired shuttle Atlantis, which has been plagued by tiny hydrogen leaks. If all goes well, Atlantis will blast off on a long-delayed military mission around November 10th.

Southland Corporation, the parent of the nation's 69-hundred 7-Eleven convenience stores, has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. Southland lost more than one-BILLION dollars in 1989 and this spring announced a Japanese buy-out.

Part of the nation's war-time history surfaced on Lake Michigan off Chicago yesterday, almost 47 years to the day that it disappeared. Divers recovered a two-seat, single-engine Douglas Dauntless dive bomber that crashed during a training mission landing on a converted aircraft carrier. The pilot escaped injury.

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#90297u1196 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (OCT. 24) UPI - The Boston Red Sox announced Wednesday they will not pick up veteran outfielder Dwight Evans' contract for next season.

''Dwight has been a tremendous competitor for the Red Sox for the past 18 years and certainly ranks among the greatest players in Red Sox history. It was a very difficult decision to decide not to renew his contract,'' said Boston General Manager Lou Gorman.

The Red Sox had had until Nov. 1 to pick up the option year on the contract, and Evans has requested they make a decision soon so that he could begin making plans for the future.

Team officials did not elaborate on their decision, but it seems likely the Red Sox want to make room for younger players.

Evans, who would have been paid $1.6 million if the contract had been picked up, reportedly had asked Boston for a 10-year contract that would involve him in the operation after his playing career ended.

The Red Sox did not say whether their plans included such an association and Evans was not immediately availbable for comment.

Evans recently had minor knee surgery and had hoped to have a bone spur removed from his back so that he could play next season, but team physician Dr. Arthur Pappas had not committed to the surgery.

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World oil prices were up $1 a barrel in early afternoon trading Wednesday after a key U.S. senator said the Persian Gulf crisis was headed toward conflict.

The U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for December delivery had risen $1.03 over Tuesday to $30.40 a barrel in afternoon trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange after being up as much as $2.23 a barrel.

Comments by Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., and King Fahd of Saudi Arabia were ''probably a factor'' in the rise,'' said Robert Baker, senior energy analyst at Prudential-Bache Securities, Inc. in New York.

''The fact is that we are headed toward conflict because (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein is reinforcing his forces in Kuwait, shows no signs whatsoever of giving up anything, and the United Nations is on a collision course to make sure he does,'' Lugar said.

A member and former chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee with access to U.S. intelligence assessments, Lugar made his comments on NBC's ''Today'' television show during discussion of the crisis triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait and the U.N. embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports

Oil prices plunged a record $5 a barrel Monday after Saudi Arabia's Defense Minister Sultan Bin Abdul Aziz hinted Sunday that Kuwait should give Iraq two strategic gulf islands in return for a withdrawal from the rest of the country. He later said his remarks had been misinterpreted.

Saudi King Fahd was quoted by the BBC Wednesday as saying his country's stand in the gulf crisis was unchanged, despite the defense minister's remarks.

''The explicit and decisive stance declared by Saudi Arabia towards the Iraqi criminal aggression against fraternal Kuwait is firm, irrevocable, clear and unambiguous,'' Fahd was quoted as saying.

Fahd said Saudi Arabia, which has allowed hundreds of thousands of foreign troops to be deployed on its soil to counter further Iraqi aggression,

demanded a complete and total withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Lugar said, ''I think the (Saudi defense minister's) remarks were unfortunate for two reasons: First of all, they gave an impression to world markets that peace was at hand. Secondly, (they) raised questions as to how fragile the coalition of all the forces trying to (support) the United Nations may be.''

On the European spot market, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was up $1.90 to $30.70 a barrel.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light, the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East, had gained $1.80 to $26.65 a barrel.

On the Merc, home heating oil for November delivery was up 1.84 cents over Monday to 82.9 cents a gallon while November unleaded gasoline was 4.1 cents higher at 84 cents a gallon.

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BEIJING (OCT. 24) UPI - Premier Li Peng exuded confidence Wednesday as he outlined China's economic outlook to a forum of foreign business leaders, wooing his guests with a conspicuously non-ideological call for ''drastic'' economic reforms.

''There was not one word about socialism in his whole presentation and Mr. Li spoke for more than an hour,'' said one participant in the World Economic Forum meeting, which was closed to reporters. ''He never said 'socialism,' just that social needs would be fulfilled.

''This was so different from last year,'' the participant said on the condition of anonymity. ''Last year we met with (Communist Party chief) Jiang Zemin and almost every word was ideological. This year it was down to earth, very businesslike.''

The Swiss foundation's 1989 meeting came just months after Beijing crushed the nationwide pro-democracy movement, a brutal crackdown that prompted tough Western economic and political sanctions against China.

The hard-line premier's extemporaneous presentation was described as far more upbeat than that of the State Statistics Bureau, which earlier Wednesday reported on China's battered economy.

Bureau officials said the loosening of a 2-year-old austerity program is reviving China's economy, but acknowledged sharply mounting financial losses in industries still hobbled by a slack market and long-term inefficiency.

Li spoke briefly of economic woes, particularly inflation and the imbalance

between supply and demand, but said prices had stabilized and that bold reforms in pricing and other areas were being planned.

''He said China now wants to go on with drastic reforms,'' the participant said. ''He used the word 'drastic' several times.''

Li said two-thirds of all prices eventually would be set by market forces, with one-third fixed by the government, but cautioned that market prices would be subject to official ceilings.

He also said new emphasis would be placed on industrial quality, noting that Chinese consumers eagerly pay a premium for high-quality merchandise - especially televisions and other electronic goods.

Li urged his guests - most of them Asian and many from Taiwan - to invest with confidence in China and lauded the European Community for its partial lifting this week of sanctions imposed last year.

The report by the State Statistics Bureau on the first nine months of 1990 indicated China has slashed last year's record inflation and reversed this year's economic stagnation, but remains unable to solve historic structural problems.

The bureau report said gross national product, the total output of goods and services, was $255 billion between January and September, 2.7 percent higher than the same period last year. Growth for all of 1989 was 3.9 percent.

National industrial production grew 5 percent between July and September over the same period last year, an improved pace on the thin 2.2 percent growth recorded in the first six months. Average growth for the first three quarters was 3.1 percent.

The sweeping austerity imposed in September 1988, which centralized spending authority and slashed credit, virtually stalled industrial output early this year until the government injected funds and rolled back some of the program's tight controls.

''The national economy is heading toward a more favorable direction,'' said State Statistics Bureau spokesman Zhang Zhongji.

Further, he said, ''after two years of rectification and adjustment, we have made progress in controlling inflation.''

Inflation was 2.3 percent in the first nine months, the report said, the lowest in five years.

The austerity program was designed to trim record price hikes that peaked at nearly 30 percent and to restrain breakneck growth ignited by a decade of

free-market economic reforms.

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#90297u1240 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - On the eve of another threatened government shutdown, Congress and President Bush appeared close to a budget deal Wednesday in which Democrats would drop their demand for a surtax on millionaires.

House Democratic leaders were expected to present to a party caucus a new compromise deficit reduction plan to raise income tax rates for the richest Americans to 31 percent, limit their itemized deductions and phase out personal exemptions for the wealthy.

The government was due to run out of spending authority at midnight Wednesday when the third short-term funding bill since Sept. 30 was to expire.

Congress was expected to pass another short-term funding bill Wednesday. But Bush had not said by midday whether he would sign the measure or veto it and force a government shutdown to keep pressure on Congress to complete work on a budget plan Bush can accept.

Critical to any budget deal, apparently, was the decision by Democrats to drop an earlier demand for an income tax surtax on millionaires - something Bush and Republicans had bitterly resisted.

In its place, Democrats were apparently ready to accept an alternative package to help bring the deficit down.

First, the deal would raise income tax rates on the wealthiest Americans from the current 28 percent to 31 percent while at the same time lowering the tax rate on middle to upper income Americans from the current 33 percent to 31 percent.

That move would flatten out the so-called bubble in the tax code in which the richest Americans paid a lower tax rate than those less well off.

The plan also would limit the deductions that wealthy Americans could claim. It was not immediately clear at what income level the deduction limits would kick in, although $100,000 a year was a possibility.

The plan, modeled after one drafted by Rep. Donald Pease, D-Ohio, would prohibit the wealthy from claiming itemized deductions in an amount equal to 3 percent of the income they have in excess of $100,000 or more a year.

Finally, the plan would prohibit the wealthy from using the personal exemptions that help lower taxes for most others. It was unclear at what

income level the phase-out might begin.

Part of the compromise would have the current 9 cents-a-gallon federal gasoline tax increase by a nickel a gallon, a figure Foley said was ''not a bad guess.''

Congress has been working for weeks to reach an agreement on a package of spending cuts and tax increases representing the major portion of a $500 billion reduction in the federal budget deficit over the next five years, with about $40 billion in savings in fiscal year 1991, which began Oct. 1.

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LEE VINING, Calif. (OCT. 24) UPI - Two roads leading into Yosemite National Park were blocked off Wednesday by rockslides triggered by an overnight earthquake that jolted much of Northern California, causing other minor damage but resulting in no injuries.

The quake, measuring 5.7 on the Richter scale, struck at 11:15 p.m. Tuesday and was centered 5 miles north of Lee Vining, a hamlet between Mono Lake and the east side of Yosemite, about 170 miles east of San Francisco.

''It was probably one of the most widely felt earthquakes reported in California,'' said Pat Jorgenson, a spokeswoman for the U.S. Geological Survey in Menlo Park.

Residents across the region reported feeling the quake, from west to San Francisco, north to Sacramento, south to Fresno and east to Reno, Nev.

Jim Drago, a spokesman for the California Department of Transportation, said rocks jolted loose by the shaker tumbled onto two roads, Highways 120 and 140, both of which feed into entrances to Yosemite.

Both roads could be reopened by later Wednesday in areas outside the park but Drago said the closures may remain in effect inside Yosemite until Thursday, as crews work to clear boulders blocking the routes.

Highway 120 was closed 5 miles west of where it intesects with Highway 395 on the eastern side of Yosemite. Highway 140 was closed at its juncture with Highway 120 on the western edge of the park.

''We've got our crews up their now,'' Drago said. ''They've got bulldozers and all kinds of equipment to clear things up and hoping to get those roads open soon.''

There was concern that a short Highway 120 bridge that spans a dry wash on the eastern side of the park was weakened by the quake, but engineers surveyed the

structure and cleared it for traffic.

Meanwhile, Yosemite officials advised visitors to enter the park on State Route 41, the park's southern entrance.

Other damage from the temblor was limited to bottles breaking as they were knocked off shelves and pictures tossed off the walls.

Barbara Williams, 58, was sitting nearly on top of the epicenter when the earthquake struck. Williams and her husband, Henry, own the Mono Inn, a 70-year-old three-story building 5 miles north of Lee Vining.

''It felt like the worst earthquake I had ever felt,'' said Williams, who has lived in earthquake-prone California for more than 40 years.

The temblor shook pictures off the walls and dumped the contents of cupboards and cabinets onto the floor, she said.

''We had a lot of broken glass, pictures off the wall and things out of the cupboards,'' Williams said.

The quake broke nearly all the glassware in the restaurant's bar on the first floor, she said.

The Mono County Sheriff's Department reported getting about 75 calls about the quake, but no reports of injuries or serious damage.

''It rolled and it lasted about 45 seconds,'' said sheriff's Deputy Suzanne Sturdivant, who was in a Sheriff's Department facility in Bridgeport, about 20 miles north of the epicenter.

''Everybody ran for the doorways.''

Gamblers in Lake Tahoe, Nev., reportedly were knocked off their chairs, but no damage was reported to casinos.

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MIAMI (OCT. 24) UPI - A 10-week, 32-state manhunt to track down and capture drug fugitives resulted in 3,743 arrests and $12.8 million in seizures of property, weapons and cash, U.S. Attorney General Dick Thornburgh said Wednesday.

Among those apprehended were 11 people facing murder charges and 355 drug fugitives who had been at large for at least a year, including one person who had been a fugitive for 27 years, Thornburgh said. Five cities were targeted for the operation, but arrests were made in 32 states, he said.

''Tracking down fugitives can be a time-consuming process and requires the constant attention of criminal investigators over an extended period of time '' he said. ''Moreover, criminals who become fugitives do not necessarily stay in the city or county where they are wanted by the authorities.''

The operation concentrated on drug defendants who either evaded arrest or jumped bond to continue running their illegal activities, Thornburgh said. The police operation involved 38 local and state law enforcement agencies along with the U.S. Marshall's Service in Miami, Houston, San Antonio, San Diego and Los Angeles.

He said those five cities were targeted for the project, dubbed Operation Southern Star, because they have been designated by President George Bush as high intensity drug-trafficking areas in the administration's National Drug Control Safety program.

Thornburgh made the announcement at a joint news conference attended by U.S. Marshals Service Director K. Michael Moore, Gov. Bob Martinez and several other local and federal law enforcement authorities.

Moore said the project put a priority on seizing cash and other property and the fugitives ended up financing their own arrests. He said the operation cost less than $3 million, about $742 per arrest, and at least four times that amount in cash and property was seized.

''Traffickers put money in banks, buy businesses, acquire real estate and spend large sums on cars, jewelry and other items,'' he said. ''The government's job is to find it.''

Martinez also said he felt Southern Star had made a significant dent in drug-trafficking networks, but bristled when asked if he felt the announcement was timed to help his re-election campaign.

''Government doesn't stand still during an election,'' he said. ''It continues to serve the people during an election.''

Thornburgh said there was really no way to determine how much of an effect Operation Southern Star had on the illicit drug trade. He did say that while law enforcement was applying ''greater pressure on the importation of cocaine'' officials were finding evidence that heroin importation was on the rise.

He said there also appears to be a change in values concerning the acceptance of drugs in America.

''A change in values and the reduction in demand isn't going to change overnight,'' he said. ''But there are indications that progress has been

made.''

Fugitives arrested included Floyd Wilson, who had been a fugitive for 27 years on cocaine charges in San Antonio.

Richard Joseph Lynn, a prison escapee serving a life sentence, led investigators on a chase through Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Mexico and Guatemala before he was arrested at a restaurant on Gulfport, Miss.

Operation Southern Star investigators in Miami found nearly 250 pounds of cocaine worth about $2.3 million in shipments of fish and books brought into Miami International Airport from South America.

Charles Bryant, who is wanted by authorities in New Zealand for cocaine smuggling and conspiracy to supply LSD, was arrested in Los Angeles. He currently is awaiting extradition to New Zealand.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 24) UPI - Standard & Poor's Corp. lowered debt ratings of Continental Airlines and its parent company Wednesday, despite Continental's vehement denial of reports it had considered filing for bankruptcy protection.

''What we're looking at is an industry situation,'' a Continental spokesman said, noting most major airlines are experiencing financial difficulties and implementing cost-cutting measures in the light of rising fuel prices.

S&P lowered the rating on $379 million of holding company Continental Airlines Holdings Inc.'s senior debt to triple-C-plus from single-B- minus.

Any S&P rating of double-B or lower is below investment grade, the level at which the risk of default by the issuer is considered minimal.

In addition, ratings on the airline's senior secured debt, senior unsecured debt and subordinated debt were all lowered. These downgrades cover $918 million of debt issued by the troubled airline.

All debt issues remain on S&P's CreditWatch with negative implications, meaning further downgrades are possible. CreditWatch is the list of corporate debt issues that analysts for the New York-based S&P examine closely.

''The downgrades reflect a heavy debt maturity schedule, with over $1 billion due through 1994, and the impact of higher fuel prices and weakening demand over the near term,'' the credit rating agency said in a release.

Continental Airlines Tuesday announced its president and four senior vice presidents would leave the company as a cost-cutting measure. On Wednesday, it

denied published reports that the parent company's attorneys had prepared during the weekend to file for Chapter 11 federal bankruptcy protection from creditors.

''This company has no intent to seek protection. ... We have streamlined our management and, like the rest of the industry, are considering other prudent business steps to assist during the fuel crisis. However, Chapter 11 is not one of the means we intend to take,'' a spokesman said Wednesday.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 24) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	77.40	77.77	77.35	77.62	77.32
Feb	74.60	74.87	74.45	74.55	74.37
Apr	75.00	75.22	74.85	75.02	74.90
Jun	72.65	73.05	72.62	72.87	72.55
Aug	71.10	71.45	71.10	71.27	70.80
Oct	71.50	71.80	71.50	71.50	71.20

Est. sales 13,777 contracts; Tuesday 16,371; open interest 64,121 up 837.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	87.10	87.30	87.05	87.20	87.17
Nov	86.40	86.80	86.27	86.57	86.25
Jan	84.85	85.17	84.60	85.07	84.67
Mar	83.30	83.55	83.30	83.37	83.35
Apr	82.55	82.70	82.50	82.60	82.57
May	81.60	81.95	81.60	81.75	81.65
Aug	80.50	80.77	80.50	80.77	80.50

Est. sales 1,889 contracts; Tuesday 2,050; open interest 11,256 up 185.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	54.05	54.32	53.75	53.82	54.20
Feb	50.85	51.12	50.50	50.67	50.85
Apr	47.60	47.75	47.40	47.42	47.57
Jun	51.17	51.30	51.07	51.20	51.20
Jly	51.35	51.50	51.30	51.42	51.55
Aug	50.00	50.05	49.90	50.05	50.17
Oct	45.50	45.50	45.22	45.30	45.45

Est. sales 5,621 contracts; Tuesday 7,281; open interest 25,160 up 1,085.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	67.00	67.60	65.55	66.00	66.85
Mar	66.80	67.30	65.50	65.77	66.80
May	67.00	67.40	65.27	65.57	66.90
Jly	66.20	66.45	64.70	64.90	65.70
Aug	64.00	64.10	62.80	63.50	63.20

Est. sales 3,964 contracts; Tuesday 3,407;

open interest 8,685 up 411.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 125.64 up 27 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 125.10 up 46 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 117.19 up 69 cents, 700-850 lbs. 116.45 up $1.35.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were not fully established; skinned hams steady; seedless bellies were not fully established; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 108.50, 18-22 lbs.108.50-114.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 103.50, 20-26 lbs. 99.00-101.00; bellies 20-25 lbs. 51.00-54.00.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Acme Steel Co (3rd Q)	
$115,052,000	$113,674,000
$2,145,000 (.40)	$4,054,000 (.75)
Amer Fedl Bank (3rd Q)	
....	....
$3,706,000 (.66)	$520,000 (.13)
American Indemnity Fncl (3rd Q)	
....	....
$2,092,000 (1.08)	d-$615,000
d-Deficit.	
AMP Inc (3rd Q)	
$749,676,000	$681,225,000
$72,455,000 (.68)	$68,812,000 (.64)
Atico Financial (3rd Q)	
....	....
$1,010,000 (.18)	d-$37,152,000
d-Deficit, after pre-tax restructuring charges of $35,301,000.	
Brooklyn Union Gas (Year 9-30)	
$993,859,000	$969,187,000

$56,436,000 a-(2.14) $64,263,000 (2.52)
a-After a non-recurring impairment charge
of about $7,000,000 (.29) related to the
Methan Recovery Plant, jointly owned by
Methan Development Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary, and a third party.

Carter-Wallace (2nd Q 9-30)
$158,052,000 $137,638,000
$15,626,000 (1.01) $14,572,000 (.96)

Downey Savings & Loan (3rd Q)
....
$5,300,000 (.33) d-$3,711,000
d-Deficit.

Green A P Indus (3rd Q)
$43,705,000 $47,280,000
$812,000 (.30) $2,470,000 (.93)

Harley-Davidson Inc (3rd Q 9-24)
$203,077,000 $182,507,000
a-$7,221,000 (.41) $7,337,000 (.42)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Intl Shipholding (3rd Q)
$80,899,000 $71,853,000
$3,791,000 (.66) $3,370,000 (.58)

Kinetic Concepts (3rd Q)
$59,490,000 $44,641,000
a-$807,000 (.02) $5,954,000 (.12)
a-After a restructuring charge of $6,500,000.

Louisville Gas & Elec (3rd Q)
$187,195,000 a-$176,064,000
$31,754,000 (1.49) $30,391,000 (1.45)
a-Electric revenues and power purchased
expenses for the prior periods have been
adjusted to show the reclassification of
interchange sales to electric revenues. In
prior periods interchange sales were
recorded as a credit to power purchased and interchanged.

Meridian Insurance Group (3rd Q)
....
$1,946,000 (.40) $291,000 (.06)

Midland Walwyn (3rd Q)

$45,225,000 $19,907,000
d-$648,000 $113,000 (.04)
d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Nobile Affiliates (3rd Q)
$54,173,000 $47,267,000
$5,660,000 (.13) $2,406,000 (.05)

Pitt-Des Moines (3rd Q)
$96,304,000 $90,741,000
$2,663,000 (1.08) $336,000 (.14)

Scana Corp (3rd Q)
$308,025,000 $300,319,000
$54,765,000 (1.35) $45,430,000 (1.13)

Shawmut Natl (3rd Q)
....
$11,900,000 (.15) $66,400,000 (.90)
Shawmut said the the latest quarter was negatively inpacted by a higher level of non-performing assets, lower level of interest earning assets and a higher provision for possible loan losses. It said those factors were partially offset by securities gains of $8,500,000 and a net gain of $7,800,000 from the securitization and sale of certain assets.

Smith Intl (3rd Q)
$97,867,000 $77,352,000
$4,013,000 (.12) d-$1,316,000
d-Deficit.

Stanhome Inc (3rd Q)
$155,347,000 $50,869,000
$1,171,000 (.29) $1,356,000 (.33)

Tecumseh Products (3rd Q)
$268,800,000 $314,900,000
d-$14,700,000 $16,700,000 (3.05)
d-Deficit, after a non-recurring provision for environmental cleanup after-tax charges of $19,200,000 (3.51).

Valley Natl Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
$6,532,000 (.52) $8,708,000 (.69)

Yellow Freight System (3rd Q)
$587,105,000 $565,806,000
$22,298,000 (.79) $11,487,000 (.40)

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#90297u1314 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 24) UPI - Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole resigned from the Cabinet today. The highest-ranking woman in the Bush administration is leaving government to head the American Red Cross. President Bush accepted her resignation with ''real deep regret.'' Elizabeth Dole, the wife of Senate Minority Leader Robert Dole of Kansas, has held a number of high-level federal jobs over the years, including transportation secretary during the Reagan administration. She is the first member of the Bush Cabinet to resign.

Standing at the president's side today, Dole denied reports that she was leaving because she felt shutout in the male-dominated Cabinet. She also is playing down speculation that she may run for governor of North Carolina in 1992.

A Cuba passenger plane with 31 people aboard crashed 540 miles east of Havana today. The official Cuban news agency says the Yak-48 plane carried 24 passengers and a crew of seven when it went down near the airport of the town of Santiago de Cuba. There's NO immediate word on deaths or injuries.

The Commerce Department reports that orders for durable goods dropped one-point-seven percent last month. And economists point to that as another sign of a slowing economy. Durable goods are those designed to stay around three or more years. Their orders keep major factories humming. The September decline follows a revised drop of eight-tenths of one percent for durable goods orders in August.

Most of the 37 British hostages freed by Iraq yesterday are back in London for an emotional homecoming. Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath accompanied them on the flight. It was Heath who secured their release after meeting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The 14 Americans released yesterday are expected to land in New York City later today aboard a commercial airline flight. Iraq also says all 350 French hostages it holds are now free to leave or stay.

NASA engineers this afternoon begin pumping super-cold liquid hydrogen into the big external fuel tank of Atlantis in a critical test to prove that the shuttle is leak-free. The tests were ordered after tiny fuel leaks grounded both Atlantis and Columbia four months ago. Managers are confident that Atlantis will pass the test and be ready for launch on a classifed military mission around November 10th.

There are NO reports of major damage or injuries after an earthquake rolled

through southern Illinois early today. The quake measured three-point-five on the Richter scale and was strong enough to rattle the bars at the jail in Mount Vernon, Illinois. The quake raises additional fears because of predictions of a major quake in December along the New Madrid Fault running from Arkansas into Illinois and Missouri.

A heavy police presence in Pakistan failed to prevent election day violence between supporters of fired Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and the rival Islamic Democratic Alliance. Gunbattles in Punjab province left two people dead and two wounded. 21 others were wounded in violence-torn southern Sind province. About 48- Million of Pakistan's 110-Million people are eligible to vote in elections seen as a referendum on the president's decision to sack Bhutto's two-year-old government.

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#90297u1319 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - A defense lawyer who has vowed to grill the Central Park rape victim about her sex life gave what could be a preview of his tactics Wednesday when he taunted a male jogger who was hospitalized after being beaten by the teen gang.

John Loughlin, 42, was jogging around the park's moonlit reservoir track on April 19, 1989, when he noticed a dozen teens surrounding and beating a victim he testified at the trial of two youths.

He said he stopped and a youth about five feet away asked him, ''What are you - some kind of vigilante?''

The next thing he knew he was on the ground being throttled on the head, torso and legs by the gang, blood gushing over his body, Loughlin testified.

The New York City junior high school teacher required stitches to close his head wounds, was hospitalized for two days and doctors told him his injuries were ''life-threatening,'' he testified.

A police officer who assisted Loughlin testified during a pre-trial hearing that he looked as though he had been ''dipped in a bucket of blood.''

Kharey Wise, 18, and Kevin Richardson, 16, are on trial at state Supreme Court in Manhattan on 13 criminal counts stemming from the ''wilding'' rampage, including the assault of Loughlin and the rape and attempted murder of the woman jogger.

The Wall Street banker was found naked but for a jogging bra, unconscious and bleeding in a muddy gully off the 102nd Street Transverse. She suffered two head fractures, brain damage and severe memory loss.

The 30-year-old woman from Upper St. Clair, Pa., testified for the prosecution at the first trial in the case last summer but was unable to remember a single detail about the attack.

Because she was unable to identify any of her attackers, the defense chose not to cross-examine her because it could have created juror sympathy for the victim.

Moore, however, has said he plans a different tactic when the woman jogger takes the witness stand sometime in the next few weeks. He has vowed to vigorously question her about her sex life in an effort to prove she was never raped but had a sexual tryst at her apartment before going jogging.

The jury viewed 11 photographs of the wounds inflicted on Loughlin, who still has head pain and knee trouble some 18 months after the attack.

But under cross-examination, Wise's lawyer, Colin Moore, ridiculed Loughlin about his victimization and the seriousness of his injuries.

Moore held up one of the photographs, depicting a leg injury.

''Look at this picture, Mr. Loughlin. That little nick was life threatening?!'' Moore scoffed.

''No,'' answered the former Marine as the youths' supporters snickered from the back of the courtroom.

Moore also asked the 6-foot 4-inch tall, 190-pound man, ''How did you feel when they called you a vigilante?''

''Perplexed,'' Loughlin answered, looking over at the prosecutor's table to a pile of blood-soaked clothing he was wearing the night of the attack.

''Only perplexed? But if you were scared, you could have run away. But you chose not to - didn't you?'' Moore pressed, again eliciting laughter from the crowd.

Later, under questioning by Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer, Loughlin testified that he was, ''Perplexed, and I feared for my life.''

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#90297u1325 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (OCT. 24) UPI - The repaired shuttle Atlantis sailed through a make-or-break fueling test Wednesday with no significant hydrogen leaks, clearing the way for launch around Nov. 10 to put a spy satellite in orbit.

"We conducted a very successful test today," said Forrest McCartney, director of the Kennedy Space Center. ''We saw exactly what we expected to see, a good, tight system both externally and internally. I think we're ready to fly.''

Relieved NASA managers plan to hold a two-day flight readiness review Monday and Tuesday to discuss the status of launch processing and to set an official launch date for the 37th shuttle mission.

At the same time, engineers at launch pad 39B plan to conduct yet another fueling test to pinpoint an elusive hydrogen leak, one of at least two, that have grounded the shuttle Columbia since May. If all goes well, the veteran spaceplane could be ready for another launch try in early December.

Atlantis has been grounded for more than four months because of a tiny hydrogen leak that was detected during a fueling test June 29. But with the successful test Wednesday, ''it appears we have licked the problem ... and it appears we have a very clean vehicle,'' said NASA spokesman Bruce Buckingham.

As usual with such military missions, the exact launch time will remain classified until nine minutes before liftoff. But sources who requested anonymity said takeoff is planned for 6:47 p.m. EST on Nov. 10, possibly as early as Nov. 9 if work at launch pad 39A continues to go well.

In any case, NASA next week is expected to announce a launch day and a four-hour launch period beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The goal of the flight, the fifth so far this year, is the deployment of a giant photo-reconnaissance spy satellite into an orbit that will repeatedly carry it over the Persian Gulf, according to Aviation Week & Space Technology magazine.

The duration of the flight also is classified, but sources told United Press International the mission will last three days, 23 hours and 55 minutes, resulting in a landing at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., at 3:42 p.m. PST on Nov. 14.

Launch originally was scheduled for mid July, but the flight was put on hold when sensors detected explosive hydrogen gas in the area where fuel lines from the external tank enter the belly of the orbiter.

That test was conducted after Columbia was grounded the night before a planned May 30 liftoff because of a similar leak.

But Columbia also showed signs of leakage inside its engine room and NASA officials now believe the spaceplane was the victim of two separate leaks, one of which has yet to be pinpointed. Another fueling test for Columbia is planned next week and in the meantime, the ship remains grounded.

Atlantis's problem was traced to damaged seals inside a 17-inch-wide ''disconnect'' fitting that allows the external tank to be jettisoned in space. The seals were replaced and NASA managers were confident Atlantis was ready for flight.

To make sure, yet another fueling test was conducted Wednesday - Atlantis's fourth - to prove the ship was leak free.

Engineers began pumping supercold liquid hydrogen rocket fuel through Atlantis's engine room plumbing shortly after 1 p.m. EDT Wednesday, six hours late because of concern about a small dent in a fuel line and a broken electrical component.

At 1:24 p.m., high-speed hydrogen loading began. It was at this point during three previous fueling tests that explosive hydrogen gas was detected near the disconnect fitting.

But this time around, no significant leaks were detected externally around the fuel line fittings and concentrations in Atlantis's engine room amounted to just 175 parts per million, well below NASA's conservative redline of 500 parts per million. The test ended about 1:50 p.m.

''We seem to have a very tight vehicle at the pad this afternoon,'' Buckingham said. ''We have just very minor indications of liquid hydrogen seeping into the aft compartment near our sensors, but it's well within limitations.''

With Atlantis's test out of the way, engineers at nearby pad 39B are gearing up to pump hydrogen fuel back aboard Columbia next week in an ongoing series of tests to pinpoint the location of an internal leak that continues to ground NASA's oldest shuttle.

''It's always nice to have a successful test under your belt and that just leaves one more to go, and that's Columbia,'' said launch director Robert Sieck. ''We think we've got that one (solved). We'll know for sure about the middle of next week. The proof of the pudding will be a tanking test.''

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#90297u1336 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - Undaunted by the blockade of their compound by Iraqi troops, the eight diplomatic personnel holed up in the U.S. Embassy in occupied Kuwait subsist on limited supplies and recently unrolled a weapon of defiance: clean cars.

In a telephone call on Wednesday, Secretary of State James Baker commended Ambassador Nathaniel Howell and his staff for their courage and perseverance in the face of Saddam Hussein's orders to close all embassies in the tiny, oil-rich nation overrun by Iraqi troops on Aug. 2.

According to State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler, Howell told Baker: ''We're hanging in there.''

Troops began their blockade on Aug. 24 when Saddam ordered all 60 foreign embassies in Kuwait closed. Only the United States, Britain, France and Italy have defied the directive from Baghdad.

Life is rugged in the embassy as the staff lives on canned food that was shipped to the compound before the blockade and has boiled pool water under a fire fueled by furniture.

Recently the staff dug a well inside the embassy, which is located near the sea, and struck water. The water was slightly brackish, but suitable for ''long overdue baths,'' said Tutwiler.

And, in a display of spirit, the staff washed the embassy's cars using water from the newly dug well. The cars have not been used since the blockade took effect.

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#90297u1342 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND (OCT. 24) UPI - The Irish Republican Army staged three bombings against British forces Wednesday, killing six soldiers and one civilian and wounding more than 20 people in the worst terrorist actions in two years, police said.

Both blasts went off around 4 a.m., and involved proxy bombers forced to drive car-bombs into British checkpoints because their families were being held hostage by the extremists.

The IRA claimed responsibility for the attacks and said the civilians who drove the bombs had been chosen because they were in the construction industry and had worked for the security forces.

''This morning's military operation again devastates the myth of containment '' the IRA said in a statement released through the Republican Press Center. ''Until the British government ends its war in Ireland, attacks such this morning will continue.''

The blasts inflicted the highest death toll since a 1988 attack on a bus, in which eight soldiers died.

They apparently were timed for Thursday's fifth anniversary of the signing of the Anglo-Irish agreement giving Dublin a greater say in the affairs of Northern Ireland. It has been vigorously opposed by the IRA.

In London, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher described the bombings as ''an appalling outrage,'' and declared her sympathy for families of the victims.

Northern Ireland Secretary of State Peter Brooke said the attacks would not advance the IRA's aim of ending British rule in Northern Ireland, and that the government remained resolved in its fight against terrorism.

worked for the security forces.

Of the wounded in Londonderry, three were soldiers in critical condition after surgery at the nearby Altnagelvim Hospital.

About a dozen homes were damaged, with windows and doors blown in and roofs blasted off.

''I was in bed with my daughter,'' said Sarah Mc Veigh, who lived close to the checkpoint. ''We were wakened by the bang. It was a massive explosion. My whole house shook and the window was blown in on top of the bed. We were both very lucky we were not killed.''

At Nawry, a 65-year-old pensioner who had been forced to drive the bomb into the search bay area of a checkpoint managed to shout a warning to the troops and jump out of the vehicle before the bomb exploded.

Aside from one soldier who was killed, the 13 wounded included two police officers. The pensioner sustained a broken leg.

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#90297u1343 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	372.00 up 3.75
Morning fixing	371.10 off 0.90
Afternoon fixing	371.10 off 0.90
Close	371.50 off 0.50
Paris	373.51 off 0.74
Zurich	370.00 off 2.50
Hong Kong	371.65 up 1.10
New York	
Comex spot close	373.50 up 2.30
Republic cash	373.75 up 2.25
Handy and Harman	371.10 off 0.55

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 372.38 off 0.55 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 391.00

off 0.58 per troy ounce.
Silver
Comex spot close 4.223 up 0.004
Republic cash 4.245 unchanged

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.225 per fine ounce off 0.02

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.245 off 0.005 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.542 off 0.006
Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 425.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 525.00 up 1.00.
Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 95.50 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 110.50 off 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90297u1351 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 2 to 10 points higher.
SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.76	9.87	9.74	9.83	9.78
May	9.78	9.87	9.75	9.84	9.74
Jly	9.82	9.90	9.78	9.83	9.77
Oct	9.88	9.93	9.86	9.88	9.86
Mar	9.92	....	....	9.98	9.94

Estimated sales: 10,273 contracts
Open interest: 109,938 up 344
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.95

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 1 point higher to 5 points lower.
SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.15	23.15	23.13	23.14	23.17
Mar	23.18	23.18	23.14	23.14	23.18
May	23.30	23.30	23.25	23.25	23.25
Jly	23.30	23.30	23.25	23.25	23.25
Sep	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.22
Nov	22.96	23.00	22.96	22.98	23.03

Jan 22.80 .... 23.03 23.02
Estimated sales: 166 contracts
Open interest: 10,762 up 91

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#90297u1359 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - The Senate approved Wednesday a $15.5 billion foreign aid appropriations bill that cuts in half military aid to El Salvador and forgives Egypt's $6.7 billion military aid debt.

The bill was approved 76-23 and sent to conference where negotiators for the Senate and House will work out a compromise bill. The House passed a $15.6 billion bill in June.

The legislation would cap military aid to El Salvador in fiscal 1991 at $85 million - $5 million less than the administration requested - but only half would be sent in an effort to press the the government to seek a ceasefire and a political settlement under U.N. auspices.

The government of El Salvador would get the second half of the allocation if the rebel forces in the 10-year-old civil war refuse a ceasefire or political settlement.

The bill provides $3 billion in military and economic aid to Israel, with permission to shift $200 million from economic to military needs, and $700 million in military equipment taken from U.S. forces in Europe.

Egypt, which has sent troops to Saudi Arabia help U.S. forces facing off against Iraq, would get $2.1 billion in economic and military aid in addition to the forgiveness of the $6.7 million in loans.

Morocco, which has sent military forces to Saudi Arabia, and Turkey, which has cut its oil pipeline to Iraq, would get more aid in fiscal 1991 than last year reflecting its efforts to isolate Iraq.

Morocco's aid was increased from $43 million to $52 million and Turkey's from $545 million from $497 million.

The bill also bars aid to any country that does not comply with the sanctions against Iraq.

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#90297u1384 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	367.19	222.18	140.12	20.39	312.36
Opening	366.23	220.50	139.76	20.31	311.50
11 a.m.	365.53	219.98	139.42	20.30	310.91
Noon	367.13	220.53	139.65	20.35	312.12
1 p.m.	368.19	220.82	139.78	20.40	312.40
2 p.m.	368.23	221.18	139.99	20.43	313.04
3 p.m.	367.70	220.93	139.97	20.36	312.61

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#90297u1391 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 24) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $37 to $42 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.05 cent to 0.50 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.40 to 3.50 cents a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.20 cent higher to 0.34 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.10 to $2.30 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $0.10 to $4.60 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.10 cent to 4.00 cents a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 0.2 to 0.4 cent an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.002 to 0.010 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90297u1401 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
MIAMI (OCT. 24) UPI - A pilot on leave from Eastern Airlines was elected Wednesday as president of the Air Line Pilots Association, the national union said.

J. Randolph Babbitt, 44, the union's executive administrator since 1985, will replace Henry A. Duffy, a pilot from Delta Airlines who held the leadership

post since 1983.

Babbitt, who joined Eastern in 1966, was elected at the union's biennial board of directors meeting.

ALPA pilots at Eastern walked off the job in March 1986 in sympathy with striking co-workers from the International Association of Machinists.

Pilots voted in November to return to work, but many have not been recalled, since Eastern reduced operations and recruited replacements in their absence.

Babbitt of Oakton, Va., will begin his four-year term on Jan. 1.

The union represents 42,000 pilots at 50 U.S. airlines.

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#90297u1423 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - The Senate upheld by a single vote Wednesday President Bush's veto of the major civil rights legislation of 1990, and supporters of the bill vowed to return next year with an even stronger anti-discrimination measure.

The Senate voted 66-34 - one vote short of the necessary two-thirds majority - to sustain Bush's rejection of the bill. The president has vetoed 16 bills and Congress has failed to override any of them.

All 55 Democrats and 11 Republicans voted to override the veto. Thirty-four Republicans voted to sustain.

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., said the administration and the bill's backers were still ''very, very close'' to agreeing on a substitute measure, and Senate Republican leader Robert Dole promised a White House Rose Garden signing ceremony this week if Congress adopts the administration alternative.

The White House welcomed the outcome of the veto override attempt and urged Congress ''to take immediate action on the president's alternative proposals so that we may have a true civil rights bill to protect the civil rights of all Americans.''

But Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., said the issue was dead for the year and and predicted Congress next year will pass a ''stronger bill'' and will have the votes to override a veto by Bush.

Asked if something could be worked out on the administration alternative bill, Kennedy said, ''You can't compromise on discrimination and that's what the president was trying to do.''

The debate prompted a scathing personal denunciation of Bush by Kennedy, D-Mass., who accused the president of taking ''the low road on civil rights.''

Kennedy said the veto ''contravenes the basic principles for which George Bush has stood'' during his long career, adding, however, ''When the chips are down President Bush - like candidate Bush - is willing to divide the nation for narrow or partisan advantage.

''It is bad enough to resort to such disgraceful tactics in a political campaign,'' Kennedy said.

''But it is far more serious when a president of the United States, who is supposed to be president of all the people, dishonors his high office, abuses the noble cause of civil rights and stoops to divisive appeals to prejudice and resentment.''

President Arthur Kropp of People for the American Way, which pushes civil rights, said the bill was the ''casualty of an unrelenting White House smear campaign,'' but Kirk Fordice of the Associated General Contractors of America, said, ''I fervently hope that today's action will be the first of many to rid our society of other quota-inducing laws and regulations.''

The legislation, approved by overwhelming majorities in the Senate and House, would have overturned a series of Supreme Court decisions that made it more difficult for women and minorities to prove discrimination in hiring, promotions and job-related actities.

Among those in the chamber were Jesse Jackson, members of the Congressional Black Caucus, and David Duke, former leader of the Ku Klux Klan who recently was beaten in Louisiana's Senate race.

Bush vetoed the bill on the advice of Attorney General Dick Thornburgh and C. Boyden Grey, chief White House counsel, and over the objection of many of his advisers who feared a political setback for Republican efforts to enlist black voters.

After lengthy agonizing, Bush vetoed the measure Monday, saying, ''I deeply regret having to take this action ... especially since it contains certain provisions that I strongly endorse.''

But he said, ''When our efforts, however well intentioned, result in quotas, equal opportunity is not advanced but thwarted.''

On Tuesday, Bush said he thought the veto sent a signal that ''we are for civil rights and against quotas. ... I am strongly for civil rights and I will continue to oppose something that inevitably leads to quotas.''

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell said that with the veto Bush ''has

turned his back on working men and women, white and black.''

''The bill does not reuire quotas. Indeed the bill explicitly rejects quotas '' he said. ''It simply requires that everyone gets a fair chance.''

Specter, closely involved in the negotiations with the White House, also rejected Bush's argument that the bill would lead to quotas.

Specter, who recounted the problems he had in attending college and getting a job after law school because he is Jewish, said, ''If Arlen Specter accepted the bill, it wasn't a quota bill. I abhor quotas. This is not a set-aside bill and it is not a quota bill.''

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#90297u1432 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (OCT. 24) UPI - Following are the latest 10-day sales figures for car and light-duty trucks among the nation's domestic automakers:

Oct. 11-20 U.S. car sales

Firm	Latest	Per Year ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	80,571	69,980	up 15.1 pc
Ford	51,357	46,995	up 9.3 pc
Chrysler	23,581	22,336	up 5.6 pc
Honda	12,037	8,355	up 44.1 pc
Nissan	3,249	3,036	up 7.1 pc
Toyota	9,213	6,256	up 47.3 pc
Mazda	1,693	608	up 76.5 pc
Mitsubishi	1,211	1,297	off 6.3 pc
SIA	404	---	
Total	183,316	158,863	up 15.4 pc

Oct. 11-20 light truck sales

Firm	Latest	Per Year ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	40,691	37,860	up 7.5 pc
Ford	34,707	31,143	up 11.4 pc
Chrysler	18,631	22,925	off 18.7 pc
Nissan	3,259	2,615	up 24.6 pc
SIA	984 E	---	
Mazda	361	---	
Total	98,633	94,543	up 4.3 pc

E-estimated.

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LAS VEGAS, NE (OCT. 24) UPI - The heavyweight title Buster Douglas wants to prove he deserves and Evander Holyfield waited so long to fight for will be on the line Thursday night.

Douglas, 30-4-1, makes the first defense of the championship he won with a stunning 10th-round knockout of Mike Tyson Feb. 11 in Tokyo. Holyfield, 24-0, finally challenges for the title after spending 20 months as the top-rated challenger.

The fight, scheduled for 12 rounds, will take place at The Mirage's 16,350-seat outdoor arena and can be seen on pay-per-view TV throughout the country and 121 nations around the world.

Douglas is still looking to prove his victory over Tyson was not luck, as the former champion has claimed. Douglas enters the fight a 13- 10 underdog.

''Beating Mike Tyson, and then coming back to beat Evander Holyfield is a magnificent feat,'' Douglas said. ''It will put me in the same category as the great champions.

''It is a goal of mine to go down in history right alongside Muhammad Ali, Rocky Marciano, Joe Louis and Joe Frazier and other great champions.''

Holyfield, a 1984 Olympic light heavyweight medalist and former undisputed cruiserweight champion, said he has looked forward to fighting for the heavyweight championship since he started boxing when he was 10.

''This is payoff time, where everything comes to an end,'' Holyfield said. ''Where either you pass the test or not. I've been trying to get here for 18 years, now I'll see if I'm ready for the test. I feel I am.''

Douglas's condition has been a major topic leading up to the bout. But he says he is in as good shape as when he lifted the title from Tyson in one of the biggest upsets on sports history.

The weigh-in was scheduled for 7 p.m. EDT Wednesday night. Douglas expected to weigh between 230 and 235, while Holyfield predicted he would weigh around 212.

''I compare my conditioning and the way I feel overall going into the two fights, and I am comfortable with the way I am,'' Douglas said. ''I feel stronger.

''Beating Evander will prove once and for all the fight with Mike Tyson wasn't a fluke. I'm still the underdog. Therefore, I still have something to prove.''

Holyfield's conditioning is never a problem. He is one of the most impressively built boxers in the sport. But many doubt he is big enough to

handle a large heavyweight like Douglas. At 6-foot-4 with an 83-inch reach, Douglas has advantages of 1 1/2 inches in height and 5 1/2 inches in reach. Douglas, Columbus, Ohio, is 30 and Holyfield, Atlanta, 28.

''I've been small all my life,'' Holyfield said of his size disadvantage, ''and I've never had no problem.''

Douglas has not fought since the Tyson fight, mostly because of his legal battle with promoter Don King - which was settled out of court. Holyfield's previous bout was a fourth-round knockout of Seamus McDonagh June 1. When Douglas fought Tyson, Holyfield had a signed $12 million to challenge Tyson in June.

''When you want something as bad as I did and waited all these years ... I stayed focused because I know how good it's going to be when I win it,'' Holyfield said.

Douglas will earn a record $24 million to Holyfield's $8 million. Mirage owner Steve Wynn, the fight's promoter, forecasts a million pay- per-view subscriptions will be sold for the bout. He also expects a live gate in excess of $10 million.

If Douglas wins, he has signed to fight a rematch with Tyson at The Mirage. Holyfield plans to fight 42-year-old former champion George Foreman next if he wins.

The bout is scheduled to start around 10:30 p.m. EDT.

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#90297u1440 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Prodigy Services Co. said Wednesday it was making move-by-move coverage of the World Chess Championship available to chess aficionados who have a home computer.

Prodigy, a joint venture between International Business Machines Corp. and Sears Roebuck & Co., is an on-line computer service which allows its 500,000 subscribers to access a wide range of information networks, from weather to travel, shopping and news.

Prodigy has stored each match of the championship, so that subscribers can relive the game and study every move made by Anatoly Karpov and Gary Kasparov. Commentaries are displayed simultaneously on the screen by chess wizards such as former U.S. champion John Grefe.

Prodigy's coverage of the championship will include all 12 U.S. matches as well as the 12 matches being played in Lyon, France.

Membership to Prodigy costs $9.95 a month.

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#90297u1442 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - A plea for an usher to seat a comedian's bride minutes before a radio broadcast 50 years ago started a one-liner institution when Henny Youngman asked, ''Take my wife, please?'' the king of one-liners recalled Wednesday.

''Truck drivers shout it out and people in the street walk up and say it to me '' the 84-year-old Youngman said. ''It's become a logo.''

Youngman claims never to write jokes, only to buy them, but when his wife showed up with eight friends 10 minutes before a CBS radio ''Kate Smith Show'' in 1940 on which he regularly appeared his most famous line of all was born.

Youngman asked an usher to her off his hands.

''I gave him $2,'' he said with a grin.

The 50th anniversary of the joke was marked at Bruce Ho's midtown restaurant by a gathering of comics and a cake topped with a candle for every year the line has been bandied about.

Ho is fellow member of the Friar's Club, a fraternity of entertainers.

Youngman, 84, sat at the head of the table, a pink napkin tucked into the collar of his shirt, his coffee, scrambled eggs and French fries getting cold.

On his left was Professor Irwin Corey - ''the world's most foremost authority'' - and his wife, Frances.

''If we don't change direction soon we'll end up where we're going,'' warned Corey, who referred to Youngman as the ''Ambassador from Brooklyn.''

On Youngman's right, his daughter Marilyn Kelly, Paula Goldin, his secretary and ''friend of 50 years,'' and Mickey Freeman, ''Zimmerman'' on the 1950s television hit ''Sgt. Bilko.''

''My wife's so ugly she goes to the beauty parlor by ambulance,'' Freeman said.

Comedian Milton Berle sent congratulations from California, saying he's celebrating the joke's anniverary ''because I stole it from Henny 50 years ago.''

George Burns also wired his regrets, but claimed it really was nothing to celebrate since he has jokes he's been using 90 years.

''George Burns is so old when he orders a 3-minute egg they ask him to pay up front,'' cracked Youngman.

Youngman's wife of 59 years, Sadie, died in 1987.

Now that she's gone, Youngman said, he's coming out with a new book in January that will carry all the anecdotes he left out of his first one 16 years ago, because he ''thought it would scare her,'' about working clubs run by ''mobsters.''

''I had a boss who used to stab me good night,'' he said. ''The checkroom girl's name was Rocco.''

Still active, he was featured in the movie ''Goodfellas,'' has two current television commercials and appears at banquets, sales meetings and roasts.

''My rates are reasonable,'' he said.

''We just roasted Zsa Zsa Gabor,'' Youngman said. ''She's been married eight times. She has rice marks on her face.''

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#90297u1446 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 24) UPI - Oil, forests, fish and land all are at risk of exhaustion but the United States is lagging in world efforts to save the environment, the United Nations Association of the U.S.A. said in a report Wednesday.

The report, unveiled by former Secretary of State Edmund Muskie on the 45th U.N. Day, was based on thousands of interviews with people in 60 communities in the United States.

''Millions of citizens are concerned,'' it said.

''They are now showing their determination to rescue our battered planet, but our leaders are not doing enough,'' said Russel Peterson, former chairman of the U.S. Council on Environmental Quality.

The report proposed an environmental blueprint for the United States and the United Nations. It called for immediate international negotiations to limit the greenhouse effect, a trade surcharge on goods that harm the environment, and a curb on consumption of non-renewable resources and population growth.

Entitled ''Uniting Nations for the Earth,'' the report was sponsored by the United Nations Association of the U.S.A., an organization dedicated to enhancing the U.S.-U.N. relationship, and the Sierra Club, a grass-roots

environment group.

''Citizen groups are especially concerned about Washington's seeming lethargy in meeting the looming crises of today,'' the report stated.

Muskie, who chaired the project on global environment in anticipation of the 1992 U.N. Conference on Environment and Development in Brazil, said it was ''critical'' that the United States allocate more funds to environmental preservation.

Muskie said environmental issues were emerging as the dominant political issue of the 1990s because of broad mobilization of public concern. Wary political leaders will be forced to take action, he said.

''Earthquakes have a way of influencing politicians,'' Muskie said.

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#90297u1471 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (OCT. 24) UPI - The proposed sale of the state telephone company Entel to two European consortiums is in jeopardy because of a last-minute dispute over phone rates, according to both the government and private investors.

Luis Bustamante, a Telefonica de Espana executive, one of the two European groups slated to acquire Entel, told a group of foreign journalists Wednesday that talks between the government and private investors have been stalled since Sunday.

Newspapers, apparently inspired by an official leak, reported the government would halt the privatization process if a deal could not be reached by Thursday.

But Bustamante said he ''got no notification'' of a 48-hour ultimatum that reports said was issued by the government Tuesday. ''I hope it's not true,'' he said.

The Spanish phone company, heading a group of overseas and Argentine investors and a second consortium led by State of Italy and France Cables and Radio were scheduled to take over Entel Nov. 8.

''If the transfer doesn't take place by Nov. 8, Telefonica will no longer be interested in the purchase,'' Bustamante said.

Representatives of the Italian and French companies were not immediately available for comment, but in published reports over the weekend executives of that consortium also expressed irritation at an effort by the government to require a phone rate much lower than what they had expected.

The sale of the Argentine telephone company is considered a test case of the government's seriousness in privatizing state companies.

Telefonica de Espana and the Italian-French consortium offered a total of $5 billion in Argentine debt paper and $600 million in cash for Entel, a money-losing operation with debt estimated at $2.1 billion.

Bustamante said Telefonica de Espana executives, in a formal ceremony with government officials, promised before a notary public to agree to a contract that had been drawn up and was ready for signing that specified ownership terms for Entel.

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#90297u1488 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Moody's Investors Service Wednesday downgraded longterm debt of the Ford Motor Co., Ford Motor Credit Co. and subsidiaries, citing a soft automobile market and the heavy demands of Ford's debt burden.

The credit rating agency said about $45 billion of long-term debt of the two companies and their guaranteed subsidiaries was affected. The debt rating was downgraded to Aa3 from Aa2, still an investment-grade ranking.

Moody's said U.S. economic deterioration, the drain of buyer incentive programs in North America, a poor European market outlook and higher gasoline prices all ''heighten the uncertainty'' as to Ford's earnings and cash flow.

''Moreover,'' it said, ''the increasingly competitive environment throughout the product spectrum may lead to further market share erosion in North America '' Moody's said. It also cited tough Japanese moves into Europe.

Another factor in the downgrade was Ford subsidiary First Nationwide Bank, a San Francisco-based institution. Moody's said the bank ''represents a potential drain in the form of additional capital infusions.''

But Moody's added that Ford ''retains substantial financial flexibility in the face of a recessionary environment.''

It said Ford was better off now than before the 1981-82 recession for several reasons: lower running costs, a broader product range, higher quality and ''solid overall'' U.S. and European market positions.

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#90297u1503 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 24) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business

day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.49 3/4-2.54 3/4 up 1 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 6.04 3/4- 6.12 3/4 off 3 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.21-2.33 up 1 2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.33-2.36 up 1 1/2.

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#90297u1508 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (OCT. 24) UPI - Solidarity leader Lech Walesa was officially registered Wednesday as the second presidential candidate after Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki with 500,000 signatures backing his candidacy.

Jacek Merkel, head of Walesa's electoral committee, Tuesday filed mail sacks and suitcases filled with lists of more than 500,000 signatures supporting Walesa's candidacy.

The National Electoral Commission, after counting the first 100,000 signatures that are required, officially registered Walesa as candidate Wednesday, one week after registering Mazowiecki who collected 141,000 signatures.

Registration documents must be filed by midnight Thursday and Gazeta Wyborcza said six more candidates were expected to have the required number of signatures.

Early presidential elections were called for Nov. 25, after Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, a former communist and author of martial law imposed in Poland in 1981, yielded to pressure and agreed to step down one year into his five-year term.

Walesa has openly criticized Mazowiecki's government for leniency towards former communists and the slow pace and high social costs of economic and political reforms currently being implemented.

In order to put pressure on the government, Walesa last month said he would run for president. He was later challenged by Mazowiecki, who said he would go into opposition if Walesa was elected.

An opinion poll ordered by Walesa showed 45 percent of eligible voters will support him in the elections while Mazowiecki can count on 31 percent.

Jaroslaw Kaczynski, head of the Center Alliance supporting Walesa's bid, told Polish Radio that Finance Minister Leszek Balcerowicz was considered a ''serious candidate'' for prime minister under Walesa's presidency.

Balcerowicz is the author of an economic reform that stifled inflation in Poland, but which Walesa criticized sharply for causing widespread unemployment and lowering the standard of living.

Unemployment in Poland is estimated at about 800,000 people while living standards have been cut by about 30 percent since January.

The two men have markedly different campaign styles. Walesa has tried to rally support from blue-collar workers with an ambitious tour of industrial centers, while Mazowiecki has concentrated on fulfilling his duties as prime minister.

Mazowiecki has tentatively agreed to appear with Walesa on television to answer questions from journalists. Neither details nor a date have been set.

Fourteen candidates have circulated petitions backing them for president, but the individual farmers' and Green Party's candidates withdrew and ceded their support to Walesa.

Roman Bartoszcze, the Peasant Party's candidate, and left-wing candidate Wlodzimierz Cimoszewicz met the signature requirement and requested registration, the official news agency PAP said.

Kaczynski said Bartoszcze's candidacy ''is a serious loss'' for Walesa who would be supported by all farmers if the Peasant Party did not have its own candidate.

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#90297u1520 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 24) UPI - Trans World Airlines Inc. is considering buying Eastern Airlines' operation in Atlanta, a newspaper said Wednesday.

The transaction would include about 50 gates and 100 airplanes, the Kansas City Star said.

TWA Chairman Carl Icahn told the newspaper that Eastern, currently operating under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, had invited TWA to bid for the Atlanta hub, one of Eastern's largest operations.

Icahn could not be reached for comment Wednesday.

The TWA chairman did not place a value on the transaction, but said Eastern's north-south routes out of Atlanta would complement TWA's east- west service, based at its hub in St. Louis.

Icahn told the newspaper he was to meet with TWA officials to discuss the transaction and that a decision was expected during the next few days.

He declined to say how much it would cost to buy the Atlanta hub, but said TWA has reserves of about $1 billion. TWA lost $300 million last year and paid $366 million in interest expenses on debt of $2.5 billion.

Eastern has operated in bankruptcy for 19 months. Its creditors reportedly have solicited bids for Eastern assets, although no airline is thought to have bid for the Atlanta hub.

Icahn reportedly was asked by Eastern's unsecured creditors in April to make an offer for the airline. But he reportedly declined, industry sources said, because he considered Eastern ''too far gone'' to restore.

Eastern's parent, Continental Airlines Holdings Inc., prepared during the weekend to file for bankruptcy protection, but decided against the move at the last minute, according to Wednesday's New York Times.

Standard & Poor's Corp. lowered debt ratings of the holding company and Continental Airlines Wednesday, despite Continental's vehement denial that it had considered filing for Chapter 11.

Continental, which had nearly $500 million in cash reserves in June, reportedly suffered unexpected losses this summer - normally the industry's most prosperous season - and has been hit hard by fuel prices that have more than doubled since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug 2.

Continental Airlines Holdings was known as Texas Air Corp. before June.

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#90297u1522 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1061.1
Tuesday	1063.8
Week ago	1053.7
Month ago	1090.7
Year ago	1090.4
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1052.3

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#90297u1533 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.91

60 to 89 days 7.85

90 to 119 days 7.84

120 to 149 days 7.76

150 to 179 days 7.71

180 to 270 days 7.66

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.95 - 7.70

Issuers 30 days 7.94

Issuers 90 days 7.88

Issuers 270 days 7.51

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.04

60 to 89 days 8.04

90 to 119 days 8.06

120 to 149 days 8.06

150 to 179 days 8.06

180 days 8.06

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.875 - 8.00

1 month 8.00 - 8.125

3 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

6 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

Year 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.22 - 7.20

6 months 7.18 - 7.16

Year 7.05 - 7.03

Federal Funds: High 7 7/8, Low 7 13-16, Close 7 13-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7.770 off 0.039.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90297u1543 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Average yields for money-market mutual funds were higher or unchanged in the latest reporting week, while rates at competing savings and loan institutions were mixed, organizations that track the information said Wednesday.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.45 percent, up from 7.44 the previous week, and 30-day simple yields were unchanged at 7.46 percent.

The average maturity of fund portfolios rose to 46 days from 45.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.86 percent, unchanged; Super-Now accounts, 4.94 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.46 percent, down from 7.47 percent; 1-year CDs, 7.55 percent, down from 7.57 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.66 percent, up from 7.65 percent; and five-year CDs 7.79 percent, down from 7.80 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.20 percent, off from 8.25 percent the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.76 percent from 9.80 percent, while the average rate for a 30- year, fixed-rate mortgage eased to 10.09 percent from 10.12 percent.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan fell to 12.11 percent from 12.13 percent last week.

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#90297u1611 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2504.21	up	10.15
20 Trans	867.05	off	7.95
15 Utils	210.51	up	0.56
65 Stocks	884.35	up	0.34

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#90297u1618 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2504.21	up	10.21	867.05	off	7.95	210.54	up	0.56
Tuesday	2494.06	off	22.03	875.00	off	8.69	209.95	off	0.94
Week ago	2387.87	up	6.68	821.93	off	1.48	207.49	up	0.94
Month ago	2459.65	off	25.99	846.52	up	1.85	199.82	off	0.82
Year ago	2653.28	off	5.94	1199.32	off	11.38	216.49	up	1.45
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90297u1622 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 28 points higher to 60 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	74.80	74.98	74.05	74.08	74.68
Mar	74.75	74.85	74.36	74.38	74.94
May	75.10	75.20	74.70	74.80	75.20

Jly	75.15	75.15	74.81	74.81	75.25
Oct	67.95	67.95	67.90	68.13	67.85
Dec	66.50	66.75	66.41	66.73	66.55
Mar	67.30	....	....	67.63	67.50

Estimated sales: 8,000 contracts
Open interest: 43,432 up 1,446
The World spot average: 70.88

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#90297u1638 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 24) UPI - The Senate today voted to uphold President Bush's veto of the major civil rights bill of 1990 by one vote. Senate Republican leader Robert Dole said the veto was a ''tough'' decision for Bush. Dole promised that if Congress adopts an alternative bill, there would be a ''signing in the Rose Garden'' next week.

Another deadline is looming for federal budget negotiations in Washington. Unless President Bush signs a new temporary spending bill... the government will run out of money at midnight. White House Chief of Staff John Sununu complains that negotiations have drifted away from spending cuts to increasing taxes.

Transportation Secretary Elizabeth Dole is resigning her post with the Bush administration, effective November 23rd, to become president of the American Red Cross. Dole, the wife of G-O-P Senator Robert Dole, has served two presidents as a Cabinet member. President Bush accepted the resignation with regret.

New charges of sexual misconduct have prompted Ohio Representative Donald Lukens to resign his House seat rather than face an ethics committee probe. A published report quoted a source as saying that Lukens patted a Capitol elevator operator on her buttocks and rubbed her back.

In Bonn, Germany's Social Democratic Party wants the government to make public the financial wealth of the East German political parties that once were allied closely with the ruling Communist Party. There are allegations that the former Communist Party embezzled Millions of dollars.

Another victim of the gang of teen-aged youths accused of attacking and gang-raping a New York City woman as she jogged through Central Park in 1989 was unable to identify his attackers today in court. Two other victims of the gang yesterday also were unable to identify the defendants as their attackers.

A fairly powerful earthquake rumbled through northern California late last night... measuring five-point-seven on the Richter scale. An owner of an inn on top of the epicenter of the quake near Mono Lake in Yosemite National Park

said the quake broke nearly all the glass at her bar.

One economist says the manufacturing industry is ''hanging on for dear life'' to avoid a recession. That observation is prompted by today's Commerce Department report on orders for durable goods, which plunged a surprising one-point-seven percent in September. That's the second decline in a row.

The parent company of the 7-Eleven convenience store chain filed for bankruptcy today in Dallas. The Southland Corporation is trying to get out from under a mountain of debt that the Thompson family incurred when it went private in a leveraged buy-out three years ago. Southland announced a Japanese buy-out offer this spring.

Humphrey the wrong-way whale is swimming freely near Alcatraz Island but appears to be in NO hurry to escape San Francisco Bay. Rescuers freed Humphrey from shallow water in a mud flat yesterday. Specialists will herd the humpback in the right direction if he veers off course again.

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#90297u1644 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Wednesday - $47,810,000

1990 to date - $9,066,440,000

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#90297u1647 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 24) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Wednesday - 9,132,000

1990 to date - 2,055,088,000

The market closed higher.

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#90297u1652 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 9,450,000 shares

1990 to date - 2,832,594,175

Bonds - $4,490,000

1990 to date - $599,583,000

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#90297u1657 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Standard & Poor's Corp. Wednesday lowered senior debt ratings of Chemical Banking Corp., the sixth-largest U.S. bank holding

company, and its main New York and Texas subsidiaries.

The credit rating agency said it expected ''further moderate deterioration'' in the bank's troubled loan portfolios in a trying economic environment. But nonperforming loan levels ''should remain manageable,'' S&P said.

S&P said that high costs of making provisions against loan losses over the medium term were likely to depress earnings but that Chemical ''has the liquidity and financial flexibility to deal with the expected loan problems.''

About $5 billion in corporate debt was affected as the senior debt rating was lowered to triple-B-plus from single-A-minus for the bank holding company and its two main bank subsidiaries, among other downgrading actions. The two subsidiaries are Texas Commerce Bancshares and Chemical New York N.V.

S&P downgraded Chemical Banking's subordinated debt to triple-B from triple-B-plus and preferred stock to triple-B-minus from triple-B. Also lowered were ratings on certificates of deposit issued by Chemical banking units.

''While the bank is significantly exposed to commercial real estate both in Texas and in the Northeast, expected deterioration in the East should have a muted effect on Chemical's portfolio as it is mature and relatively conservatively managed,'' S&P said.

In the lLonger term, ''the bank's acquisition of regional banks in Texas and New Jersey, together with its strong New York middle-market commercial lending business, should contribute to earnings and financial stability stemming from increased diversification,'' the agency said.

S&P said Chemical's recent cut of its dividend should help shore up eroded capital. Chemical lost $43.7 million in the third quarter of 1990 and slashed the quarterly dividend paid on common stock to 25 cents from 68 cents.

The chief cause of its losses in the period was a $250 addition maid to reserves against losses on real estate and other loans. Nonperforming assets rose by $186 million in the quarter, to $3.19 billion.

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#90297u1659 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 24) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	170.60	up	0.10
ASE Market Value Index	292.69	off	0.28
Dow-Jones Industrial	2504.21	up	10.15

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#90297u1678 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - Environmentalists urged President Bush Wednesday to sign clean air legislation now awaiting final passage in Congress, saying a new study shows that - contrary to dire predictions by industry - costs to Americans will be relatively modest.

The National Clean Air Coalition, an umbrella organization for the nation's major environmental groups, released a study that found the bill would cost the average American household an additional $8.40 per month by 1995, primarily due to higher utility bills and car and gasoline costs.

For the long term, the study cited Bush administration estimates that each household would pay roughly an extra $20 a month by 2005 because of the bill's new controls on acid rain emissions from power plants and toxic and smog-causing emissions from industry and cars.

It said the relatively modest nature of those costs was demonstrated by estimates that the average American household in 1990 will spend $29 a month for movies and $51 for alcohol.

The study said its ''per household'' figures were based on projections that the clean air bill would cost the nation $9.8 billion per year in 1995 and $20.9 billion in 2005.

Those figures are slightly lower than the Bush administration cost estimates of $11.8 billion to $11.9 billion per year in 1995 and $25.4 billion in 2005. Those estimates were for the separate but similar clean air bills passed by the House and Senate earlier this year.

House and Senate negotiators reached final agreement Monday on a slightly different consensus bill that is expected to be approved by Congress and sent to Bush by the end of this week.

The environmentalists' study said that compromise bill will reduce costs by $4 billion to $5 billion from earlier estimates for the House and Senate versions.

The new study was prepared for the clean air coalition by E.H. Pechan & Associates Inc., a Springfield, Va., environmental consulting firm that also has done clean air cost studies for the EPA.

The Pechan study follows studies commissioned by industry lobbies, such as the Clean Air Working Group and the Business Roundtable, that have put the cost of clean air legislation at $51 billion a year over the long term.

William Fay, head of the Clean Air Working Group, said the Pechan study was flawed in that it tracked the administration's estimates, which he said far understated the cost of the bills developed on Capitol Hill.

Fay noted the administration had estimated the cost of President Bush's initial clean air proposal at about $19 billion. But he said lawmakers had added major new pollution control requirements that pushed up costs far above the administration's $25.4 billion estimate for the House and Senate bills.

Fay said the administration was deliberately under-estimating costs for political reasons: Bush was on record as saying he would veto any clean air bill that exceeded the cost of his proposal by more than 10 percent.

In order to allow Bush to sign the pending bill, Fay said: ''The administration has sugarcoated some of these figures.''

Richard Ayres, chairman of the clean air coalition, said the Pechan study clearly refuted claims by industry that the bill would deliver a devastating blow to the already sinking U.S. economy.

Ayres maintained the bill gave industry - particularly automakers - more than enough time to develop innovative pollution control technology that would minimize costs.

He said environmentalists felt the clean air legislation went too easy on the auto industry and would hinder the nation's efforts to achieve Bush's goal of eliminating unhealthy smog levels in most cities by 2000.

Still, he said the bill would make major strides in reducing toxic and cancer-causing emissions from factories, acid rain emissions from coal-burning power plants and the use of ozone-depleting chemicals by industry.

''The skies literally will be bluer and people's lungs healthier as a result of this bill,'' Ayres said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - President Bush has asked Israel to reconsider its decision and permit a U.N. team to investigate the Oct. 8 killing of 20 Palestinians in East Jerusalem by Israeli forces, the White House said Wednesday.

Press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Bush sent a letter Tuesday to Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir. Fitzwater said Bush has not yet received a written response or any ''indication of any change in their attitude.''

Shamir has denied the U.N. team entry. He claims there is no need for a U.N. investigation into the bloody clash on Jerusalem's Temple Mount between police and demonstrators.

Since the incident, there have been numerous acts of violence and Wednesday

authorities closed off the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip to halt a wave of attacks.

Fitzwater said Bush, in his letter to Shamir, offered condolences for the death of the Israelis and urged him to permit the U.N. team to investigate the Oct. 8 clash. He also said Bush restated U.S. support for Israel.

The U.N. Security Council on Oct. 13 unanimously passed a resolution condemning Israel's action, and authorized the U.N. secretary-general to dispatch a fact-finding team.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austral	.000182	.000188	5500.00	5331.00
Australia dlr	.7803	.7770	1.2816	1.2870
Austria schill	.0943	.0938	10.61	10.66
Belgium franc-c	.0323	.0320	31.00	31.27
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0104	.0105	95.84	94.87
Britain pound	1.9600	1.9428	.5102	.5147
Britain 1-mo	1.9503	1.9330	.5127	.5173
Britain 3-mo	1.9331	1.9163	.5173	.5218
Britain 6-mo	1.9103	1.8933	.5235	.5282
Canada dollar	.8536	.8534	1.1715	1.1718
Canada 1-mo	.8504	.8500	1.1759	1.1765
Canada 3-mo	.8447	.8444	1.1839	1.1843
Canada 6-mo	.8366	.8298	1.1953	1.2051
Chile peso-f	.003385	.003410	295.40	293.25
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001890	.001894	529.07	528.12
Denmark krne	.1739	.1725	5.7520	5.7985
Ecudr sucre-z	.001198	.001195	834.60	836.55
Egypt pound	.3653	.3673	2.7375	2.7228
Finlnd mrkka	.2788	.2782	3.5865	3.5950
France franc	.1978	.1968	5.0560	5.0820
France 1-mo	.1975	.1965	5.0635	5.0892
France 3-mo	.1969	.1959	5.0789	5.1035
France 6-mo	.1959	.1950	5.1039	5.1288
Greece drach	.006645	.006650	150.50	150.38
Hollnd guildr	.5893	.5842	1.6970	1.7116

HongKong dlr	.1285	.1285	7.7840	7.7835
India rupee	.0557	.0558	17.95	17.93
Indo'sa rupia	.000540	.000541	1853.00	1850.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7800	1.7700	0.5618	0.5650
Israel shekel	.5058	.5086	1.9770	1.9660
Italy lira	.000887	.000880	1127.50	1136.75
Japan yen	.007908	.007811	126.45	128.03
Japan 1-mo	.007927	.007826	126.15	127.78
Japan 3-mo	.007902	.007823	126.55	127.83
Japan 6-mo	.007913	.007878	126.37	126.93
Jordan dinar	1.5627	1.5699	.6399	.6370
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000345	.000345	2898.00	2895.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6067	.6053	1.6483	1.6521
Norway krne	.1707	.1692	5.8575	5.9100
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.56	21.56
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	433,400	433,400
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007564	.007551	132.20	132.43
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5848	.5845	1.7100	1.7110
S.Africa rand	.3970	.3954	2.5190	2.5293
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010588	.010510	94.45	95.15
Sweden krona	.1790	.1781	5.5875	5.6140
Switzrl franc	.7883	.7805	1.2685	1.2812
Switzrl 1-mo	.7883	.7805	1.2685	1.2812
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7882	.7805	1.2687	1.2812
Switzrl 6-mo	.7876	.7799	1.2696	1.2822
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.80	26.79
Turkey lira	.000367	.000369	2724.00	2707.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0204	.0206	49.00	48.46
W.Ger Mark	.6638	.6586	1.5065	1.5184
W.Ger 1-mo	.6637	.6585	1.5067	1.5187
W.Ger 3-mo	.6630	.6579	1.5082	1.5201
W.Ger 6-mo	.6609	.6565	1.5130	1.5232
Yugosl dinar	.0960	.0967	10.42	10.34

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	292.69	off 0.28
High Technology	294.76	off 1.73
Capital Goods	316.17	up 3.28
Consumer Goods	362.03	up 1.01
Service	637.84	off 6.33
Retail	899.42	off 14.94
Financial	341.80	up 0.74
Natural Resources	222.62	up 0.62
Housing-Const-Land	247.05	off 2.49

There was a loss of 1 cent in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	375.89	up 0.77
Mid Atlantic	383.64	off 1.87
No Central	374.07	off 3.04
So Atlantic	800.90	up 2.42
So Central	296.61	off 3.25
Mountain	108.61	up 3.29
Pacific	328.18	off 1.89
Foreign	220.47	up 1.20

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 293.11, low 291.79, close 292.69, off 0.28.

There was a loss of 1 cent in the average share price.

Volume 9,450,000 shares, compared with 11, 890,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	4
New Lows	52
Advances	258
Declines	246
Unchanged	241
Total Issues	745

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20

most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	65 3-4	up 1-8
AT&T Company	33 3-8	up 3-8
BCE Inc	31 1-2	up 1-8
Bell Atlantic	51 1-8	off 3-8
BellSouth Corp	52	unch
Exxon Corp	48 1-2	unch
Ford Motor Co	32	up 1-4
Genl Electric	52	off 2
General Motors	38 3-4	up 1-2
GTE Corp	28 3-8	unch
IBM Corp	108 5-8	up 1 7-8
Mobil Oil Corp	57 1-4	up 1-4
Nynex Corp	70 1-2	off 1-2
Pac Gas & Elec	23 3-4	unch
Pacific Telesis	44 1-2	unch
Phila Electric	16 1-2	up 1-8
Sears Roebuck	25 3-8	up 3-8
Southern Co	26 1-8	unch
Sthwestern Bell	53 1-2	up 1-2
US West Inc	37 5-8	off 1-8

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.98	off 0.21
10 Public Utils	91.01	off 0.37
10 Industrials	86.96	off 0.04

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#90297u1712 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2489.85	2523.02	2470.54	2504.21	up 10.15
20 Trans	872.04	880.73	857.43	867.05	off 7.95
15 Utils	209.70	211.33	208.50	210.51	up 0.56
65 Stock	882.21	892.29	873.64	884.35	up 0.34

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	17,790,800	17,712,300

Trans	3,532,200	4,255,100
Utils	2,521,900	2,643,600
65 Stock	23,844,900	24,611,000

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
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Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 128.65 off 0.17.

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#90297u1725 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

SAN BERNARDINO, CA (OCT. 24) UPI - A 12-year-old girl was allegedly kept locked in closets for as long as 10 years by her parents, who apparently singled her out from their six other children for abuse, police said Wednesday.

An anonymous tip to the city's Child Abuse Hotline about an injured child brought officers to a small home in San Bernardino's lower-income central district Monday evening, when they found the girl locked inside a 4-by-5-foot bedroom closet.

The girl, barefoot and wearing a dirty sweat shirt and pants, showed no signs of outward trauma, but apparently spent all of her time in the cockroach-infested closet, which was littered with convenience store food wrappers and reeked of urine and excrement, police said.

''She spoke OK, she talked to the officers, but she appears to be the size of a 7-year-old,'' Sgt. Jennifer Kauffman, a Police Department spokeswoman, said.

The closet in the home had served as the girl's living quarters for about four months, or since the family had moved into the house.

But from conversations with her, her family and relatives, police determined that she has spent the past 10 years locked in closets in the family's various home throughout the San Bernardino area.

Officers arrested Joseph Peter Sauceda, 33, and Sandra Sauceda, 31, the girl's natural parents, on suspicion of felony child abuse and false imprisonment.

Six of the couple's other children, aged 2 months to 15 years, were also at the home. All six, however, appeared to be fed and clothed in normal fashion, though they had not recently attended school.

In an interview with the San Bernadino Sun, Joseph Sauceda said he had become disabled several years ago, forcing the children to stop going to school as

the family moved continuously.

''They haven't went since last year,'' Saucedo told the newspaper. ''We've been going from house to house.''

Saucedo, denying the allegations, also blamed his daughter's imprisonment on another child.

''My other girl was playing with her and I guess she locked it accidentally,'' Sauceda said.

Kauffman said the singling out of one child is not atypical behavior for abusive parents.

''For whatever reason, she was it,'' Kauffman said. ''The other children don't do anything because they don't want to be in the closet and they assume that the parents are just, well, parenting.

''The first thing the little girl did when she was let out was run to her parents. She just hung on to them for a while.''

Kauffman said authorities had apparently been called previously to the family's home by concerned neighbors and relatives, but apparently never found the child. On Monday evening, however, both parents were outside on the front porch.

''The police just never located her in the closet before,'' Kauffman said. ''This time, because they were outside, the officers were able to get in first.''

Joseph and Sandra Saucedo were held on $10,000 bail each pending the formal filing of charges against them later Wednesday. Kauffman said authorities were planning to ask a judge to increase their bails at their arraignments, expected Thursday.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	26.30-26.40	24.85-24.90
North Sea Brent	30.85-30.90	28.90-28.95
West Texas Intermed	30.85-30.90	29.45-29.55
Light Louisiana Sweet	31.20-31.35	29.80-30.00

New York Harbor spot products
(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	90.90-91.40	85.65-86.15
No. 2 Heating oil	83.35-83.60	79.40-79.55

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products
(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	82.00-82.25	76.65-76.90
No. 2 Heating oil	82.35-82.60	78.40-78.65

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	220.50	224.40	220.20	224.05	221.70
Mar	....	....	....	226.40	224.05
Jun	....	....	....	229.40	227.05

Previous day volume: 48 contracts.
Open interest: 1,236 unchanged

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	312.50	315.90	311.90	315.45	313.80
Mar	315.65	318.80	314.60	318.20	316.50
Jun	....	321.50	318.00	321.20	319.50
Sep	....	324.00	321.00	323.90	322.80

Today's estimated volume: 49,870 contracts.
Open interest: 149,084 off 2,551

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	170.20	172.30	170.10	172.10	171.15
Mar	171.50	173.55	171.50	173.55	172.60
Jun	172.80	172.80	172.80	174.95	174.00

Open interest: 5,677 up 15

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	522.30	527.50	520.75	525.65	523.25
Dec	523.00	528.75	522.75	528.00	524.60
Jan	525.90	531.00	525.25	529.95	527.45

Estimated volume 3,656 contracts.
Open interest: 6,225 up 121

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#90297u1760 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday:

Stock	Volume	Close	Chg.
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	146,461,472	15 3/4 off 4 3/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	46,477,464	31 1/8 up 1 3/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	43,956,616	65 3/8 up 1 1/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	39,394,520	35 off 1/2
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	35,596,624	23 1/2 up 5/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	30,407,228	30 1/2 off 1/2
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	30,312,720	47 1/4 up 1 1/2
Tele Commun A	(TCOM)	22,344,978	10 1/2 up 1/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	17,610,004	24 off 3/8
Tyson Foods A	(TYSN)	17,604,870	28 1/2 up 1/4

Composite Index 149.60 off 0.06

NMS volume 97,467,504 shares.

Advances	749
Declines	740
Unchanged	1305
Total	2,794

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#90297u1774 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Friday 356.94 up 0.14.

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#90297u1801 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - The Senate passed and sent to the White House Wednesday legislation requiring universities and colleges to disclose to students, employees and prospective undergraduates statistics on campus crime and graduation rates.

The bill, approved by voice vote, covers all universities and colleges that get federal financial assistance.

One part of the bill, originally proposed by Sen. Arlen Specter, R- Pa., would require colleges and universities to report campus crime statistics and all security policies and send them to current students, prospective students and employees.

The statistic would cover the occurence of violent crimes against students, such as murder, rape, robbery and aggravated assault, as well as drug and liquor violations.

Specter said that campus security officials now may be hesistant to reveal the scope of crime, adding, ''This bill will ensure that all colleges disclose this crucial information, forcing those institutions with poor records to improve their performance.

''In addition, I believe that public awareness of campus crime will help awaken parents and students to the reality of modern campus life,'' Specter said. ''This awareness, in turn, will help students to be more careful in observing security precautions.''

The second major part of the bill, sponsored by Sen. Bill Bradley, D- N.J., requires colleges and universities to disclose their graduation rates to all students but is aimed primarily at scholarship athletes choosing a school.

''The choice of which college or university to attend is likely to be one of the most important decisions of a young person's life,'' Bradley said.

He added, ''A potential student-athlete and his or her family are entitled to a direct and valid answer to the question: 'If I enter your college or university as a freshman on an athletic scholarship in my sport, what are my chances that I will graduate within a year or two of those entering my class.'''

''Education is the passport to a productive and rewarding life in our society '' Bradley said. ''The challenge of an education should not simply be 'making the team' or becoming an all-star, but preparing to be a good citizen, friend and family member.''

The National Collegiate Athletic Association earlier this year adopted requirements similiar to those included in the Bradley proposal.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	367.19	222.18	140.12	20.39	312.36
Opening	366.23	220.50	139.76	20.31	311.50
11 a.m.	365.53	219.98	139.42	20.30	310.91

Noon	367.13	220.53	139.65	20.35	312.12
1 p.m.	368.19	220.82	139.78	20.40	312.40
2 p.m.	368.23	221.18	139.99	20.43	313.04
3 p.m.	367.70	220.93	139.97	20.36	312.61
Close	367.61	220.91	140.10	20.38	312.60
Change	up 0.42	off 1.27	off 0.02	off 0.01	up 0.24

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#90297u1822 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Chase Manhattan	5,691,100	11 7/8	off 3/8
Citicorp	5,346,300	11 7/8	off 3/4
Genl Electric	2,454,200	51 7/8	off 2 1/8
Westinghouse El	1,809,200	25 7/8	up 7/8
Philip Morris	1,747,300	48 1/4	up 1/4
Hibernia	1,745,000	7 1/8	up 3/8
Computer Assoc	1,708,600	7 1/8	up 3/4
Compaq Computr	1,693,700	47 1/2	up 4 1/8
IBM Corp	1,619,400	108 5/8	up 1 7/8
MCA Corp	1,610,900	50 1/8	off 8 3/4
Eastmn Kodak	1,348,100	39 7/8	up 1/8
Toys R Us	1,275,500	23 7/8	off 3/8
McDonalds Corp	1,264,700	26 1/4	off 1/2
PepsiCo	1,207,700	24 1/2	off 1/8
Upjohn Co	1,138,900	39 1/4	up 2 3/8

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#90297u1827 10/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	170.95	169.81	170.60	up 0.10
Industrial	212.12	210.94	211.81	up 0.27
Transport	134.90	134.01	134.02	off 2.08
Utility	88.60	88.17	88.60	up 0.03
Finance	109.25	108.89	109.06	off 0.15

Equivalent to a gain of 2 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 149,290,000 shares.

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#90297u1834 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Contl Air Hldgs	1,163,800	4	off 1 5/8
Conquest Explor	447,600	1 3/8	unch
Tubos De Acero	348,100	6 3/8	up 1/4
Fruit of Loom	213,700	7 1/2	off 1/8
Chiles Offshr	207,200	10 1/2	off 7/8
Amdahl Corp	187,400	11	off 5/8
Wang Labs Inc B	174,200	3 1/8	off 1/8
Salomon Phibro	170,100	3 1/2	up 1/8
Hasbro Inc	164,300	12 1/4	up 1/4
National Patent	155,000	2 5/8	up 1/4

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#90297u1860 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 24) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6100	off 100
CBS pf	107 1/2	off 11
MCA Corp	50 1/8	off 8 3/4
Captl Cities	395	off 5
Kubota Corp	114	up 4 3/4
AtlRch pfC	309 1/4	up 4 5/8
Honeywell Inc	83 3/4	up 4 1/4
Compaq Computr	47 1/2	up 4 1/8
Matsushita El	141	off 3
Fiat SPA	28 3/4	up 2 3/4
Fedl Express	35 7/8	off 2 5/8

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#90297u1867 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
BUENOS AIRES (OCT. 24) UPI - U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Clayton Yeutter promised a subsidies war Wednesday if the European Economic Community refused to agree to reduce farm supports in international negotiations.

Yeutter said in a news conference in Buenos Aires that if the negotiations of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, slated to end in December, were unsuccessful, and Europe retained its current agriculture subsidies, ''we will

have a war of subsidies.''

''Without an agreement in the Uruguay Round (of the GATT), it is inevitable,'' Yeutter said.

''We do not have any choice. Without a confrontation on our part, they are going to buy all the markets in the world,'' he said of the European Economic Community.

Yeutter said that under recent budget cuts passed by congress Tuesday, subsidies to U.S. farmers will be reduced by $13 billion over a five year period, including $2 billion cut each year in price supports.

The agriculture secretary said the cuts meant a 20 percent reduction in U.S. government supports of agriculture prices.

''I think that the United States has offered perhaps the best example of reducing subsidies in the world'' in passing this legislation, Yeutter said.

He warned, however, that if Europe decided to continue subsidizing its farm industry without reductions, he would be authorized under the legislation passed Tuesday to increase U.S. subsidies by $1 billion a year.

''We are going to protect our interests in the international market,'' Yeutter said.

Yeutter was winding up a three-day visit to Buenos Aires in which he said he consolidated strategy with Argentine representatives for the final GATT negotiations in Geneva in November and early December.

Aregentina is among 14 member-nations of the CAIRN group, a bloc of agriculture exporting nations, including Australia, Canada and New Zealand, that wish to drastically reduce agricultural subsidies.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	341.08	338.34	340.98	off 0.11
Industrial	365.13	362.75	364.79	off 1.08
Finance	336.50	334.49	335.03	off 1.64
Insurance	392.13	386.38	391.63	up 5.24
Utility	486.46	457.93	467.56	up 7.51
Bank	246.06	244.43	245.58	off 0.18
Transport	387.47	383.76	385.36	off 1.18

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44
NASDAQ National Market System indexes
(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	149.60 off 0.06
Industrial Index	144.46 off 0.46
NASDAQ-100 Index	356.94 up 0.14
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.74 unchanged.
Volume	97,467,504 shares
Advances	749
Declines	740
Unchanged	1,305
Total	2,794

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	15	16	13
New lows	105	113	257

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	755	71,599,000
Declines	723	61,632,100
Unchanged	483	16,058,900
Total	1,961	149,290,000

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BEIRUT, LEBANON (OCT. 24) UPI - Israeli aircraft raided Palestinian guerrilla bases near the port city of Tyre in southern Lebanon late Wednesday, said the Israeli Army and Moslem-run Voice of the Nation radio station.

No casualties were immediately reported.

The radio said the strike targeted the camp of Rashidiyeh on the southern outskirts of Tyre, 46 miles south of Beirut. Rashidiyeh was a main base for followers of Yasser Arafat, the chief of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

A Palestinian source said the air strike occured after nightfall.

The Israeli army said the targets served as bases for launching ''terrorist attacks.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Stocks closed higher Wednesday on a late spurt of buying sparked by the possibility that a budget accord may be reached by the midnight deadline.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which lost 22.03 Tuesday, rose 10.15 to close at 2504.21.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index edged up 0.10 to 170.60 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index added 0.24 to 312.60. The price of an average share rose 2 cents.

Advances led declines 757-714 among the 1,965 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 149,290,000 shares, up from 146,300, 000 traded Tuesday.

The two driving forces in the market over the last two months - the Mideast crisis and the budget wrangling in Washington - pulled the market in opposite directions Wednesday.

Stocks were higher at mid-afternoon, bolstered by apparent progress toward a deficit-cutting accord.

On the eve of another threatened government shutdown, Congress and President Bush appeared close to a budget deal Wednesday in which Democrats would drop their demand for a surtax on millionaires. The government's spending authority extended by a stopgap measure signed by President Bush Friday, lapses at midnight.

Democratic leaders were convinced that the opposition within their own party had diminished as pressure built to end the 101st Congress and go home to campaign for re-election.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan has said that a ''credible'' deficit-cutting plan could lead to lower interest rates. Traders reasoned that if an accord is reached by midnight tonight, the market could rally Thursday on the news.

Thus there was a spurt of buying late in the day as traders covered themselves for any short-selling they had done in anticipation of a market decline - which on Wall Street is known as short-covering.

''There was some short-covering at the end of the day,'' said James Andrews, first vice president in charge of institutional trading at Janney Montgomery Scott Inc. in Philadelphia. ''Everyone wanted to go out flat because of the

possibility of a budget settlement tonight and the best way to go out flat is to cover your short positions.''

But before the burst of buying near the close, stocks lost all their modest gains in the afternoon after reports that Israeli air force jets bombed a guerrilla target in southern Lebanon and returned safely after hitting their targets, according to a military command communique.

The news of further unrest in the oil-rich Mideast sent oil prices up sharply. Crude oil prices closed up $1.71 a barrel to $31.08.

''We had a nice market going but then the plane attack in Israel sent us down '' Andrews said. He added that while the market recouped all its gains late in the day ''there were no real big players in the market making any new commitments. And volume of 150 million shares was not bad but it wasn't very good either.''

On the trading floor, two big banks paced the actives. Chase Manhattan was down 3/8 to 11 7/8 in dividend-related trading, the most active issue on 5.5 million shares after two big block trades.

Citicorp followed, down 3/4 to 11 7/8. The bank has had trouble attracting interest in its auction-rate preferred stock and raised the dividend rate on the issue it auctioned Wednesday in a bid to lure investors.

The higher rate meant Citicorp had to pay more to raise money through the sale of the issue and indicates concern among investors about the health of the banking sector.

General Electric was third, down 1 7/8 to 52.

Two high-technology companies were also high on the actives list, surging after unexpectedly good earnings reports. Computer Associates International jumped 3/4 to 7 1/8 after reporting second-quarter earnings jumped 200 percent to 15 cents a share. And Compaq Computer surged 4 1/8 to 47 1/2 in heavy trading after reporting third-quarter earnings soared 42 percent.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T rose 3/8 to 33 3/8, IBM gained 1 7/8 to 108 5/8, Merck rose 1/2 to 81 7/8, Woolworth lost 7/8 to 26 1/2 and Coca-Cola added 5/8 to 45 5/8.

Elsewhere, MCA plummeted after reports that Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. wanted to take a break from its buyout talks with MCA. MCA said it had no comment on the reports but Matsushita denied them late in the day. Trading was halted with the stock down 8 3/4 to 50 and did not resume.

Prices closed mixed in light trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index slipped 0.28 to close at 292.69. Advances led declines 258-246 among the 745 issues traded. The price of an average share lost 1 cent. Volume totaled 9,450,000 shares vs. 11,890, 000 traded Tuesday.

Continental Airlines Holdings led the Amex issues, plunging 1 5/8 to 4 as it denied reports that because of the surge in fuel costs, it may file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 0.11 to close at 340.98.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	4
New lows	52

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	258	3,310,200
Declines	246	4,282,400
Unchanged	241	1,857,400
Total	745	9,450,000

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(OCT. 24) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.84	7.93	8.72
91-day Treasury bills	7.46	7.46	7.57
182-day Treasury bills	8.54	7.54	7.44
1-year Treasury bills	7.52	7.52	7.25
3-year Treasury notes	7.97	7.98	7.81
7-year Treasury notes	8.50	8.52	7.86
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.78	8.79	7.87
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.25	9.25	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	8.89	9.90	9.05
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.20	9.25	8.94
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.43	9.49	8.93
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.52	9.55	9.12
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.50	9.53	9.11

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important

government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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BUFFALO, N.Y. (OCT. 24) UPI - The chemical company blamed for dumping toxic waste at Love Canal in one of the nation's worst environmental disasters was portrayed in court Wednesday as a reckless firm that failed to protect the community from known dangers.

The state of New York opened its case against Occidental Chemical Corp., seeking $665 million in damages for dumping 21,800 tons of toxins - including deadly dioxin - at Love Canal in the 1940s and 1950s.

Assistant State Attorney General Eugene Martin-Leff said in his opening statement that Hooker Electrochemical Corp., purchased by Occidental in 1968, was aware as early as 1945 that toxins buried in barrels at Love Canal in the early 1940s had seeped from the site.

Thomas Truitt, a Washington-based attorney representing Occidental, countered, telling the packed courtroom that while the firm ''deeply regrets'' what occurred at Love Canal, decisions made at the time ''by responsible executive and staff advisers'' were ''based on what was believed to be balanced judgment.''

Curtin already has found Occidental liable for creating a public nuisance at Love Canal, a 16-acre site that was sealed with a clay cap and sold for $1 to the Niagara Falls Board of Education in 1953.

Houses and a school were later built atop the landfill, and the buried chemicals began oozing from the ground.

Residents complained that oozing chemicals were the cause of higher than normal instances of cancer, liver and kidney ailments, as well as birth defects in children.

The state and federal governments declared a state of emergency at Love Canal in August 1978, leading to the immediate, permanent relocation of 237 families living along the canal and the evacuation of 1,000 more families from the surrounding area over a three-year period.

Government officials recently declared the area safe from toxic contamination and the first handful of about 200 homes in an area surrounding the dump site were put up for resale in August. None of the homes have been sold.

The opening of the trial was attended by Occidental President Roger Hirl, who traveled from the firm's Dallas headquarters, and state Attorney General Robert Abrams, who called the opening of the trial ''the day of reckoning.''

Martin-Leff said a company memorandum noted the leakage of buried chemicals from the site and ''warned of possibile future legal responsibility'' and liability.

He said Hooker decided to sell the landfill to the Niagara Falls School Board ''provided we (Hooker) would not be held responsible.''

''There is a clause in the deed attempting to relieve the company of any liability to anyone who might be injured,'' Martin-Leff said in his nearly hour-long opening.

He said Hooker's actions were a ''reckless and a complete failure to protect the community.''

In a trial that is expected to last from six-months to a year, the state is seeking $250 million from Occidental as punishment for the chemical dumping, $250 million in reimbursement for destruction of natural resources in the Niagara Falls area, and $165 million for creating a ''private nuisance'' and to cover the costs of cleaning up the site.

Truitt told the court that many of the key players in the case, including Hooker executives and members of the school board, have since died, and that the environmental concerns of today ''must not be applied to the 40s and the 50s.''

''I believe we must not fall into the trap of back to the future,'' he said.

Martin-Leff likened Hooker's selling the land to the School Board to ''leaving a vicious dog with a person who does not know how to control it.''

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 24) UPI - Honeywell Inc. said Wednesday Jerome J. Meyer has resigned as president of Honeywell's industrial business to become president and chief executive officer of Tektronix Inc.

Meyer's resignation is effective Nov. 6.

Meyer joined Honeywell in 1979 and in 1983 was named group vice presidemt pf the company's information systems group. He left the company in 1984, but returned two years later as corporate vice president and staff executive.

Later, he was named president and chief executive officer of Honeywell Bull, now called Bull HN Information Systems Inc.

Meyer rejoined Honeywell in August 1988 as president of the industrial business.

Tektronix, based in Beaverton, Ore., is a manufacturer of electronic products and systems in the areas of test and measurement, computer graphics and communications. Sales in fiscal 1990 totaled $1.4 billion.

Honeywell is a global controls company. Its 1989 sales were $6.1 billion.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - The House, after a raucous debate that included hoots about ''surf and turf'' fights, voted to expand federal seafood inspection efforts Wednesday but chances appeared slim for the plan to become reality.

Action was spurred by the boom in popularity for seafood among consumers looking for low-fat and lower cost food. Americans ate an average of 15.9 pounds of seafood last year, up 24 percent from 1980.

Only a fraction of the nearly 4 billion pounds of seafood eaten each year by Americans is inspected under the voluntary system now in place.

The plan approved on a 277-153 vote would implement a mandatory shellfish inspection program now and give the administration 18 months to suggest what to do about other seafood.

Senators approved a sharply different plan a few weeks ago. Leaders offered to try to work out differences with the House but a Senate aide, who asked not to be identified, said there was not enough time left before Congress would adjourn.

''Fish (inspection) is now dead for the year,'' the aide said.

In adopting a plan written by leaders of the House Merchant Marine and House Energy and Commerce committees, the House rejected a slightly modified version of the Senate bill. The administration supported the substitute and threatened to veto the Senate bill.

Rep. Gerry Studds, D-Mass., an author of the successful plan, said most seafood was safe and the only risk came from raw molluscan shellfish. Studies suggested the chance of illness was 1 in 250 for raw shellfish, compared to 1 in 25,000 with chicken.

''The experts are unanimous we should respond to what is a limited (risk),'' Studds said in arguing his plan would be more effective than the ''more general'' Senate bill.

The Senate bill would split responsibility for seafood safety among three federal entities. The Agriculture Department would conduct the inspections, the Food and Drug Administration would set residue limits and the Commerce Department would regulate fishing grounds to prevent harvesting of tainted seafood.

Backers said the Senate bill would draw on the expertise of the three agencies. While some consumer groups supported the Senate plan, other groups and labor unions preferred the House plan, partly because it would put FDA in charge and they trusted FDA more.

''This bill puts the program where it belongs - at the FDA, the agency with a mandate to protect public health,'' the group Public Citizen said after the vote.

Rep. Edward Madigan, R-Ill., said the House plan ''would delay the overdue decision as to whether even to begin seafood inspection.''

Debate centered as much on a sharp-edged tussle over control over inspections as it did on the need for a mandatory inspection program or how it should be structured. Committee leaders jealously guard their jurisdiction over federal agencies and the programs they operate.

Chairman John Dingell, D-Mich. of the Energy and Commerce Committee, one of the most skilled parliamentary fighters in the House, called it ''a bald-faced raid'' to put seafood under Agriculture Department control.

In the same vein, Rep. Jim Saxton, R-N.J., spoke of ''the moo cow fish inspection act'' and Rep. Silvio Conte, R-Mass., suggested tongue in cheek that Agriculture Department inspection was part of a plot to drive up the cost of seafood and sell more meat.

Agriculture Committee Chairman Kika de la Garza, D-Texas, said it was ''the normal, natural step'' for the department, which operates meat and poultry inspection, to be given the job of inspecting fish plants.

''A chicken is not a fish. It's not even a crawfish,'' said Rep. Billy Tauzin, D-La., who contended the Agriculture Department lacked the experience to handle fish.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - A government panel Wednesday approved a plan

intended to speed up the sale of assets of failed savings and loans seized by thrift regulators.

The measure, approved by the Oversight Board of the Resolution Trust Corp., will permit the RTC to securitize financial assets and expand the agency's policy for seller financing of real estate.

Securitization is the pooling of financial assets to serve as collateral for securities sold on the open market.

''The oversight board recognizes the importance of seller financing and the use of the private sector to accelerate the sale of RTC assets and reduce the costs to the taxpayer,'' said Peter Monroe, president of the panel.

''We will keep a close eye on how the RTC implements the policies and will continue to examine additional financing techniques that may help the RTC accomplish asset sales,'' Monroe said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - A Brooklyn judge Wednesday found a 14-year-old boy guilty of kidnapping and attempted murder for the torching of David Opont, the schoolboy whose plight captured headlines nationwide.

In releasing his decision on the juvenile defendant - identified only as ''G.S.'' - Brooklyn Family Court Judge Joseph Esquirol said Opont ''will never be able to participate in some of the things that young people do.''

G.S. was charged with confronting Opont on his way to school last March 7 and forcing the 12-year-old Haitian immigrant into an empty basement, where he set fire to the soft-spoken child, causing burns over half his body.

Opont, who was not present in the courtroom for the verdict, told police he had been set on fire because he had refused to smoke what he believed was crack.

The severity of his injuries and the nature of the attack prompted an outpouring of sympathy from the public, and a series of visits from high-profile politicians and celebrities, including former President Reagan.

The young defendant had faced a total of 12 counts that related to both the robbery of Opont and four friends last March 6 as well as the kidnapping and burning of Opont the following day - one day before his 12th birthday.

He faces a maximum of three years in detention with possible extensions after that up until the time he is 21 years old. The judge set sentencing for Nov. 16.

The young defendant, wearing a blue and white shirt over tweed pants, stared without emotion straight ahead or off to the side during the hour-long proceeding.

Opont's attorney, Melody Glover, had no immediate comment on the decision.

The judge dismissed four counts, including charges of menacing, criminal possession of a weapon - a knife or a baseball bat - but convicted G.S. of the most serious of the charges, including attempted second-degree murder, kidnapping, and assault.

The youngster also was convicted on a number of attempted robbery and robbery charges for holding up Opont and several friends on both days.

Esquirol called the evidence presented in the non-jury hearing, held instead of a trial because the defendant is a juvenile, both ''persuasive'' and ''remarkably consistent.''

He noted that David's burn injuries caused him permanent skin disfigurement.

The judge, in summarizing the evidence, gave the following description of the two-day sequence of events last spring:

Opont suffered burns over 50 percent of his body and has undergone many painful operations, and is subject to extensive rehabilitation.

During the days immediately following the attack, a host of famous well-wishers flocked to the hospital room of the frail young victim. Visitors included former President Reagan, Jesse Jackson, ballplayer Dwight Gooden and comedian Bill Cosby.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 24) UPI - The price of MCA Inc. common stock plunged by more than 15 percent Wednesday following a report out of Japan that the company's buyout talks with Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. had been suspended.

MCA fell $8.625 a share to $50.25 on heavy volume on the New York Stock Exchange before trading was halted early in the stock, while the price of Matshushita's American Depositary Receipts declined $3 to $141. MCA was the 10th most active NYSE issue, with more than 1.6 million shares traded.

The unconfirmed report from a Japanese wire service said that talks between MCA and Matsushita over a possible $8 billion takeover bid for the U.S. entertainment company had been suspended until mid-November.

Matsushita issued a statement from its home office in Osaka, Japan, denying the talks have broken off.

Masahiko Hirata, executive vice president of Matsushita, said: ''Discussions with MCA Inc. are proceeding in an orderly fashion and there are no new developments to announce. Any reports to the contrary are erroneous.''

MCA, which imposed a news blackout on the talks earlier this month, continued to offer no comment on the report.

Merrill Lynch analyst Harold Vogel, who tracks the entertainment industry, said that Wall Street was rife with speculation about the pending deal collapsing during the trading session. ''There were rumors flying all over the place,'' he said.

But Vogel predicted the denial of the report will do little to calm skittish investors. ''I think people will stay nervous about this,'' he said.

As to whether the deal will still go through, Vogel responded: ''It's a mystery to me. You have to wonder, though.''

Kidder Peabody entertainment analyst Christopher Dixon said that such a report was clearly enough to unnerve investors, but he added that he thought the deal is still highly probable.

''There are still going to be questions as to how to structure the transaction but I think that it's inevitable that the transaction will go through,'' Dixon said. ''Matsushita is clearly willing to pay the price for MCA's software.''

The key issue, Dixon said, may be how to structure the deal in order to limit the tax liability of major MCA shareholders.

Dixon noted that the negotiations are the first time that MCA has ''seriously entertained'' an offer. ''That, in itself, is a strong indication about the likelihood of a deal,'' he said.

He also said MCA's stock is likely to move upward as the deal moves toward closing.

In late September, MCA's stock jumped more than $26 a share in the two days following the initial disclosure that it was considering a buyout, and the stock has been volatile since then as reports have emerged of the final terms of the deal.

Analysts, who generally valued the company at about $85 a share, believe that Matsushita may not want to buy MCA's movie studio theme parks in California

and Florida. The Florida theme park, which opened earlier this year, has been troubled by rides that have broken down and competition from Walt Disney Co.'s attractions in the area.

Reports have also emerged that Matsushita, one of the world's largest consumer electronics firms, wants to pay no more than $65 a share.

Besides the theme parks, MCA's key assets include Universal Studios, several record labels and book publishers, huge film and television libraries, 420 acres of real estate in Hollywood and interests in the USA Network cable channel and the Cineplex Odeon theater chain.

If the deal does go through, MCA would have to find another buyer for its WWOR television station in New Jersey since federal regulations would prohibit a foreign owner of a broadcast outlet.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Democrats are expected to drop their demand for a surtax on the rich... paving the way for a federal budget agreement. Party leaders say they don't know if a deal will be ready before the government runs out of money again at midnight tonight.

NASA says the shuttle Atlantis passed its fueling test today withOUT any significant leaks. That clears the shuttle for launch next month, reportedly to put a spy satellite in orbit over the Persian Gulf.

Sources in Congress say the names of two women are being floated to replace Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole... who resigned today to head the Red Cross. Early candidates are Office of Personnel Management director Constance Newman and Republican Representative Lynn Martin of Illinois.

A U-S representative previously convicted of having sex with a 16- year-old girl resigned today in the face of new charges that he fondled a Capitol elevator operator. Republican Donald ''Buz'' Lukens of Ohio says he's resigning for the integrity of Congress.

The Senate voted 66-34 today to sustain President Bush's veto of the major civil rights legislation of 1990. The vote was one shy of the two- thirds needed for an over-ride. Supporters of the bill say they will try to pass a stronger measure next year.

The Soviet Union has resumed nuclear testing. Tass says an underground nuclear blast was conducted at a test site near the Arctic Circle today, ending Moscow's unilateral moratorium on nuclear explosions.

A wave of I-R-A bombings left three soldiers and one civilian dead and more

than 20 people wounded in Northern Ireland today. Two bombs exploded at British army checkpoints.

The Senate has approved a 15-point-five-BILLION-dollar foreign aid appropriations bill. The measure cuts military aid to El Salvador in half, to 85-Million dollars- and forgives nearly seven-BILLION dollars owed by Egypt. The measure must be reconciled with a similar House-passed bill.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - Virtually every food item on the nation's grocery shelves, including fresh produce and seafood, would have to carry accurate nutrition labeling under legislation approved by the Senate Wednesday.

Approved on a voice vote, the bill would require labeling of processed foods, raw agriculture products and raw seafood to disclose a full slate of nutritional information.

In addition, the Food and Drug Administration would be required to develop definitions for commonly used labeling terms such as ''light,'' ''lowfat'' and ''reduced calorie.''

''For too long, consumers who want a healthier diet have been besieged by misleading, inaccurate nutrition claims about the foods they buy,'' said Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, who sponsored the bill.

''Now they can be secure in the knowledge that a bold health claim on the front label of a food package won't be contradicted by the fine print on the back label.''

Under the Senate bill, the exact amount of cholesterol, fat, saturated fat, sodium, sugars, protein, carbohydrates and fiber would have to appear on food labels, along with information on the total amount of important vitamins and minerals and the percentage of fruit or vegetable juice contained in beverages.

The House has already voted for a similar bill but still must approve Senate changes before the legislation is sent to President Bush for his signature.

Metzenbaum said providing nutrition information on labels would make Americans ''healthier and even save their lives. ... This bill is a direct assault on the nation's two leading killers - cardiovascular disease and cancer.''

The Center for Science in the Public Interest, a consumer advocacy group that has pushed for food-labeling reform, had qualified praise for the Senate measure.

Bruce Silverglade, the group's legal director, said the bill would ''ensure

that labels provide the nutrition facts consumers need to choose healthy foods instead of the misleading nutrition hype that has been so prevalent.''

But Charles Mitchell, the assistant legal affairs director, added the food labeling reform should be extended to meat and poultry products regulated by the Department of Agriculture.

The group also expressed ''serious reservations'' about provisions in the bill that prevent state and local governments from passing laws that exceed federal requirements.

The FDA has already begun work on reforming food-labeling regulations, and recently the National Academy of Sciences completed a report recommending mandatory nutritional labeling for all foods, including fresh meats and poultry.

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MIAMI (OCT. 24) UPI - The government of Panama filed a $6.5 billion lawsuit Wednesday against deposed dictator Manuel Noriega that accuses him of looting the country's treasury of at least $500 million.

The civil suit, filed in U.S. District Court in Miami, said Panama seeks restoration of that money back as well as billions in punitive and compensatory damages from Noriega, who is being held pending his trial on charges of drug trafficking and racketeering.

Washington lawyer Gregory Craig, whose firm is representing the Panamanian government, cited ''10 years of thievery and thuggery that Gen. Noriega presided over, damaging the people of Panama.''

Noriega's lead defense lawyer, Frank Rubino, said he felt the suit had been filed merely to ensure that Noriega did not have the funds to defend himself. ''The government of Panama has stooped lower than I ever expected them to do '' he said. ''The purpose of this is blatantly obvious.''

Noriega's lawyers have asked prosecutors to help them retrieve up to $6 million from money frozen in foreign bank accounts so they can finance his defense. The money was frozen at the federal government's request.

''The suit was filed in Miami and the general has no assets here, nor were any purported to be here in Miami other than the lawyers' money,'' Rubino said. ''And I wouldn't be surprised if the U.S. government is in complicity with (the Panamanian government).''

U.S. Attorney Dexter Lehtinen said he felt the civil suit may cause further delays in bringing Noriega to trial, but should not have any impact on his

criminal defense.

''I would think that it would be unusual for the civil suit to interfere with the criminal case, that the criminal case not be given first priority,'' he said.

Rubino said prosecutors had agreed to help unfreeze some assets that were tied up at their request, but now they have ''another excuse to withhold funds. The wolf is at the door and the excuses come up.''

Lehtinen also said it was unlikely that Noriega's criminal trial would begin on Jan. 28 as scheduled. Along with Wednesday's suit, the delay in getting defense funds probably would push the date back, he said.

Noriega surrendered Jan. 3 during the U.S. occupation of Panama and was brought to Miami early the next day for a trial that has been delayed several times since then.

''In a trial this size it would not be unusual, in fact it would be common, for any drug case of this size - whether it involved a head of state or not - to take much longer than it has to be tried,'' Lehtinen said.

''We expect the defense to request another continuance and we expect (U.S. District Judge William) Hoeveler to allow them the time they need to prepare an adequate defense,'' the U.S. attorney said. ''I must emphasize, however, that these are merely projections on our part and we will be prepared to go to trial in January.''

Hoeveler has said he may be forced to consider a motion by Noriega's lawyers to withdraw from the case if they are unable to find adequate funds.

Noriega and several defendants were indicted in 1988 by a federal grand juriy in Miami on charges of providing a drug trafficking and money laundering sanctuary for members of Colombia's Medellin Cartel. A simultaneous indictment in Tampa accuses him of conspiring with a smuggler to import more than a million pounds of marijuana.

Recent reports also indicate that the government plans to consolidate additional evidence against Noriega in a new indictment that will strengthen and build on the cocaine trafficking charges he faces. Defense lawyers have said that too would delay the case.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - A key House member said Wednesday that the administration might launch an attack against Iraq in response to a provocation and consult with Congress only afterward.

Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, made the comment following a status report to House members by Secretary of State James Baker and Defense Secretary Dick Cheney on the no war, no peace Persian Gulf situation.

Aspin said they were told the 82nd Airborne Division may be rotated home from Saudi Arabia and replaced with more heavily armed forces.

A rotation home of the 82nd had been expected since the lightly armed paratroopers are designed as a first-in contingency force, not a heavy fighting unit such as armored or mechanized infantry forces.

Baker and Cheney separately briefed members of the House and Senate behind closed doors on the U.S.-led face-off against Iraq but gave no indication whether the U.S. military buildup has been completed.

''I am satisfied that we have a range of options available to the president if there is a provocation'' by Iraq, Cheney said in response to whether there are sufficient U.S. forces in place to launch an offensive against Iraq.

Several House members polled after the meeting said they learned little that was new and that Baker and Cheney did not spill any secrets.

Congress has been jittery about the prospects the administration would launch an all-out attack against Iraq after it adjourned for the year, without a formal declaration of war.

To ensure Congress will not be excluded from the war-making decision process, House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said that members of the House and Senate will form joint bipartisan committees ''to make themselves available as a group for regular consultation with the president'' after adjournment. Congress is expected to adjourn this week.

''We believe that regular consultation is necessary and useful, particularly given recent developments in the Persian Gulf,'' Foley said in a statement.

Aspin, highly respected for his knowledge of defense issues, said neither Baker nor Cheney would answer questions about whether President Bush would decide to use the military option against Iraq if the 2- month-long economic embargo fails to force Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait.

''The most difficult problem for them (the administration) is if they use military force in response to a provocation,'' Aspin said. ''My sense is that they would do that (use force) and consult (with Congress) after.''

He posed another scenario in which the administration might impose a deadline on Saddam if the economic sanctions fail and launches military action.

''If you go at it that way, how do you avoid the question of a declaration of war?'' Aspin said rhetorically.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Keltic Inc				
Stock				
First Natl Penn Corp	..	1PC	11-1	10-15
Increased				
Du Pont Co	Q	.42	12-14	11-15
EG&G Inc	Q	.21	2-8	1-18
MCN Corp	Q	.41	11-23	11-12
PSI Resources Inc	Q	.22	12-1	11-13
Southwest National	Q	.24	12-10	11-10
TRW Inc	Q	.45	12-15	11-9
Yellow Freight System	Q	.23 1/2	11-19	11-5
Reduced				
IRT Property Co	Q	.20	12-1	11-9
Distribution				
Alliance Capital Mgmt	Q	.44	11-9	11-2
Usual				
Alberto-Culver cl-A&B	Q	.05	11-20	11-2
Amer Electric Power Co	Q	.60	12-10	11-9
Amer Indemnity Fncl	Q	.02	11-15	11-8
Bay State Gas	Q	.32	12-1	11-16
Belo (AH) Corp	Q	.13	12-7	11-9
Black Hills Corp	..	.41	12-1	11-9
Chattem Inc	Q	.14	11-30	11-15
Cigna Corp	Q	.76	1-10	12-13
CRSS Inc	Q	.03	11-21	11-9
Eaton Corp	Q	.55	11-23	11-5
First Brands Corp	Q	.01	1-18	12-28
Natl Med Enterprises	Q	.20	12-7	11-16
Oneida Ltd	Q	.12	12-14	11-16
Panhandle Eastern	Q	.20	12-15	11-16
Parker Hannifin Corp	Q	.23	12-7	11-21
Russell Corp	Q	.08	11-20	11-5

Shaw Industries	Q	.12 1/2	11-19	11-5
SPX Corp	Q	.25	12-10	11-23
Textron Inc	Q	.25	1-1	12-14
Zero Corp	Q	.10	12-4	11-9

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.06	9.72
Anchor Fund Inv	14.33	15.20
Delaware Mutual	16.45	17.64
Fidelity Fund	15.94	NL
Investors Mutual	10.53	11.08
Investors Stocks	17.71	18.64
Investors Select	8.28	8.72
IDS Equity Plus	8.59	9.04
MFS Growth Stock	7.93	8.55
Nicholas Income	3.03	NL
United Accumulated	6.00	6.56
United Income	16.02	17.51
Vanguard Wellington	15.73	NL

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Democrats apparently have given in to Republican pressure against a surtax on Millionaires. Democratic leaders are expected to ask party members to sign onto a compromise deficit-reduction plan. Instead of the surtax... Republicans want to phase out personal exemptions for the wealthy and boost their tax rate to 31 percent. House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt says that may be the outcome... but he calls a budget consensus ''a big boat to move in the water.''

Democratic Senator Edward Kennedy says the civil rights bill vetoed by President Bush is dead for the year. The Senate today fell one vote short of over-riding the veto. But Republican Senator Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania maintains that a substitute measure is still- as he put it- ''very, very close.''

NASA pronounced the shuttle Atlantis ship-shape today after a critical fueling operation failed to turn up more hydrogen leaks aboard the spaceplane. Atlantis is scheduled for launch around November 10th on a secret military mission.

Elizabeth Dole resigned as labor secretary today to take over the American Red

Cross. Dole served during strikes at Eastern Airlines and Greyhound... and last year helped resolve a dispute between Pittston Company and striking coal miners. As Reagan administration transportation secretary... she sought to require air bags or self- buckling safety belts for cars.

Ohio Republican Representative Donald Lukens resigned today amid allegations he fondled an elevator operator at the Capitol. Lukens was convicted last year of contributing to the unruliness of a minor for having sex with a 16-year-old girl. The resignation allows him to keep his pension and other benfits.

It was a bad day for Bozo. Joey D'Auria... the actor who plays the popular cartoon clown in Chicago... left the set of the nationally syndicated show suffering from chest pains. A spokesman says D'Auria did NOT have a heart attack and may have a respiratory problem.

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska (OCT. 24) UPI - Thousands of tons of cancer-causing chemicals are spewed into the air during tanker loadings at the nation's largest crude oil terminal in Valdez, Alaska, a study released Wednesday said.

Some 43,000 tons of hydrocarbons, including 450 tons of benzene, are released at the terminal annually, according to the study, commissioned by Atlantic Richfield Co., British Petroleum, Exxon and the Alyeska Pipeline Service Co., which operates the trans-Alaska pipeline and the Valdez terminal.

The hydrocarbon vapors released in Valdez, a town of 3,000, equal one-tenth of the amount of hydrocarbon vapors from all sources in Los Angeles, a city more than 1,000 times larger, said Jon Sandstedt, an environmental engineer with the state Environmental Conservation Department.

The department has proposed regulations to reduce tanker emissions at the terminal by 95 percent, or 2 pounds of hydrocarbons per 1,000 barrels of oil, but Sandstedt said the industry has balked at complying.

''We're not asking for them to withdraw the regulations,'' Alyeska spokeswoman Marnie Isaacs said. ''But we want something doable by industry.''

Alyeska has asked for more time to respond to the proposed pollution limits.

Sandstedt said the new industry study bolsters concerns about emissions at the terminal. The study confirms a preliminary report based on a single tanker last year showing that emissions were higher than previously thought.

The new emission figures are based on an average daily flow of 1.8 million barrels per day down the pipeline from Prudhoe Bay to Valdez, where about 75 tankers a month load crude destined for U.S. refineries. Oil flow through the

pipeline recently rose to 1.95 million barrels a day.

The oil industry has no quick fix for the problem, Isaacs said, noting that Alyeska was working with tanker operators to figure out what to do.

''It's a joint problem and requires a joint solution,'' she said.

Isaacs noted that an American Petroleum Institute task force has been formed to help figure out what to do. API members could not be reached Wednesday to comment on the study.

The state believes there are solutions that would permit the industry to capture vapors and either incinerate them or return them to crude oil stocks, Sandstedt said. But he noted construction costs could top $150 million.

Moreover, no off-the-shelf vapor recovery system exists, Isaacs said.

She also said there were no known health risks to the residents of Valdez as a result of these emissions. However, face masks were ordered for terminal loading crews after the preliminary results came out last year.

Ongoing tests were measuring air quality in Valdez, Isaacs said. One test involved 60 residents wearing monitoring devices to find out what they were exposed to.

The federal Environmental Protection Agency has estimated the cancer risk to residents of Valdez, as a result of the emissions across the fjord from town, at about one-in-1,000.

The new data ''is not a reason to get hysterical, but it is reason to reduce emissions,'' Standstedt said. ''Alyeska would like us to wait and continue with more monitoring and studying. We don't want to wait until we have a body count.''

Although the same emission problem exists elsewhere, it is worse in Valdez because of a greater volume of oil at the country's largest loading facility and because loading naturally warm Alaska crude onto cold tankers creates more emissions, Isaacs said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 24) UPI - The U.S. economy will steer clear of recession through this year and the first part of next, the Conference Board management organization asserted in an economic forecast released Wednesday.

The business forum said U.S. gross national product would grow by 1.8 percent in the third quarter - more than many economists expect - and by 1.1 percent

in the last quarter. Growth in 1991 could be at 1.6 percent.

''The U.S. economy is fragile, but not broken, as the present pervasive gloom would indicate,'' said Conference Board chief economist Gail Fosler. ''There are many stabilizers holding the economy on track.''

Fosler said low business inventories, strong growth in other countries which purchase U.S. exports, ''remarkable consumer resilience'' and relatively low interest rates were counteracting negative influences.

But this optimistic scenario could go out the window if the faceoff in the Gulf turns to warfare. ''Outright war in the Middle East and the corresponding cutoff in oil supplies to the world would bring on a recession of global proportions,'' the economist said.

Consumers ''clearly hold the key'' to sustaining U.S. economic expansion, now in its eighth year. But if consumer confidence has slipped, ''there is no firm evidence that consumer spending has collapsed or that any developing weakness in consumer income growth will trigger a recession,'' Fosler said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - A man pretending to be a police officer who molested 11 girls in three southern states was added to the FBI's list of America's 10 most wanted fugitives, the agency said Wednesday.

Kenneth Robert Stanton, who turns 52 on Nov. 1, allegedly molested the girls in Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi in June and July of 1989, FBI Director William Sessions said.

Authorities said the suspect went to the homes of the victims and gained their trust by pretending to be a police officer and showing a fake badge.

A federal warrant was issued on Aug. 30, 1989, in Macon, Ga., charging Stanton with interstate flight to avoid prosection, child molestation, burglary and impersonating a police officer.

Stanton, a native of Huntington, Ind., has previously worked as an industrial tools salesman. He's described as a white male, 6-foot tall and 170 pounds with graying brown hair. Authorities said he may have a mustache and wear glasses.

In the 1960s, Stanton was charged with sex crimes involving children and committed to a state hospital in Michigan, from which he escaped, the FBI said. He was later arrested and recommitted.

Stanton is the 431st fugitive to appear on the FBI's list of ''Ten Most Wanted

Fugitives,'' which first appeared 40 years ago.

Authorities said anyone with information on Stanton's whereabouts should contact their local FBI office.

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ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (OCT. 24) UPI - Former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and her party appeared headed for a crushing defeat in parliamentary elections, and she leveled allegations Thursday of ''gross rigging.''

Violence during Wednesday's elections left nine people dead and 60 wounded across the country, state-run Pakistan Television said.

Bhutto told a news conference at her home in Larkana in southern Sind Province that ''rigging has been done on such a large scale that it has passed all previous records.''

At stake were 214 seats in the 217-member National Assembly. With 72 results announced early Thursday, the Islamic Democratic Alliance, Bhutto's main opposition, had 35 seats. Her Pakistan People's Party had won 13 races, IDA allies 13, minor parties two, and independents nine.

However, unofficial results from 158 seats gave the IDA 98, IDA allies 21 and the PPP 39.

The Bhutto government was sacked in August on charges of corruption and nepotism that brought about the Wednesday referendum. A special court has been set up to try Bhutto and members of her administration.

A candidate for the leftist Awami National Party, an IDA ally, defeated Bhutto by a wide margin in one of the constituencies she was contesting in the northwestern city of Peshawar. However, an unofficial result showed Bhutto winning in another constituency in Larkana.

''Gross rigging was committed and the results were manipulated before the official announcement to keep us out of power,'' Bhutto told the news conference.

''In my constituency in Peshawar the situation got so bad that a presiding officer sent his resignation to the chief election commissioner saying that he did not find it possible to discharge his duties in the face of such gross rigging.''

She also alleged her candidates were ''threatened, arrested and harassed to keep them away from the polls. But we will not succumb to these tactics and will finally emerge victorious.''

She said would she would hold a meeting of the executive committee of the PPP to decide whether to launch a movement against the rigging.

An IDA spokesman, Hussain Haqqani, said in response to Bhutto's ''independent observers have seen the fairness of the elections themselves.

''Miss Bhutto's credibility regarding rigging is rather low because she predicted rigging in 1988 and she won. Her allegations this time are also no different. It would be best for democracy and for Bhutto if she accepted the verdict of the people.''

Six international teams are in Pakistan to observe the elections, including a 40-member delegation from the U.S.-based National Democratic Institute.

One NDI member said he had witnessed no incidents Wednesday, but said, ''It's only after the counting is over that we can say whether there's been rigging.''

About 48 million of Pakistan's 110 million people were eligible to vote Wednesday. Two independent candidates were elected unopposed and polling was postponed in one constituency where a candidate was shot and killed earlier.

Tight security was in force, with almost 100,000 troops on alert nationwide, about half of them in violence-torn southern Sind Province.

Pakistani reporters said turnout appeared lower than in the 1988 elections, when 43 percent of voters cast ballots.

Bhutto voted in Larkana and later prayed at the grave of her father, former Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto. He was toppled in a 1977 military coup and hanged two years later.

Pakistan Television said nine people were killed Wednesday, including seven IDA supporters, and 60 wounded in election-related violence throughout the country.

Commenting on the incidents, President Ghulam Ishaq Khan told reporters ''violence ... is quite common in the Indian subcontinent, and therefore the law and order situation was satisfactory.

''All those killed were from one party, while those accused were from another party,'' he added, without elaboration.

Most analysts had predicted the PPP would emerge as the single largest party from Wednesday's vote ahead of the IDA, a disparate army- backed grouping of anti-PPP parties.

Ishaq Khan dismissed Bhutto's 20-month-old government on Aug. 6, accusing it

of corruption and nepotism and of failing to control law and order, and dissolved the National Assembly. He appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi to head an interim government until elections he set for Wednesday.

The president also set up Special Disqualification Courts to try Bhutto and members of her administration on corruption charges in what observers believed was a bid to bar her from the elections.

Many believe Ishaq Khan's actions were inspired by the army, which has run Pakistan for more than half of its 43-year history and which had been in conflict with Bhutto's democratic government.

Analysts say the attempts to malign Bhutto and keep her from returning to power have evoked a wave of sympathy for her.

Bhutto, 37, drew massive and emotional crowds at rallies across the country in an outpouring of support many observers say exceeded that of the campaign for the November 1988 elections. The PPP won those elections, the first democratic polls in the country since 1977.

But analysts say accusations by IDA leaders that Bhutto was to blame for this month's suspension of U.S. aid and that she is sympathetic to India and Israel may have cost her some support.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - House Democrats embraced a new deficit-reduction plan Wednesday that dropped a surtax on millionaires President Bush has opposed and opted for limiting tax deductions and exemptions for the rich instead.

The compromise plan, crafted on the eve of another threatened government shutdown, won the support of a majority of House Democrats who caucused Wednesday afternoon, said House Speaker Thomas Foley, D- Wash.

Asked if the White House would accept the latest compromise, Foley said: ''I believe it will. I believe we can reach an agreement on this.'' He said the proposal had been discussed with administration officials ''in general terms.''

Congress has been working for weeks to reach an agreement on a package of spending cuts and tax increases representing the major portion of a $500 billion reduction in the federal budget deficit over the next five years, with about $40 billion in savings to be achieved in fiscal year 1991, which began Oct. 1.

Final congressional passage of the deficit bill and Bush's acceptance of it are critical before Congress can adjourn for the year.

Foley said that in the party caucus there was ''a very, very strong consensus toward moving toward an agreement'' that would ''reduce the burden on Medicare beneficiaries'' and make sure rich Americans paid their fair share of deficit reduction.

''We prefer, as a method of doing that, a surcharge (on millionaires),'' Foley said. ''But we are now focused around a mechanism which will achieve the same impact in terms of the fair share of taxes being paid by high-income individuals.

''And it will result in a very strong improvement in the progressivity of this package compared to the (budget) summit, compared to the Senate bill, and we are strongly supporting that provision.''

The long-anticipated deficit-reduction agreement that grew out of ''summit'' negotiations between congressional and administration officials was rejected by the House three weeks ago, sparking most federal operations to shut down Oct. 6-8 before Bush signed a stopgap spending measure.

After the Wednesday caucus, House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri said: ''If we can put this package, the last details of it, together tonight, we can have it in front of the Congress in the next two days'' for a vote.

All this occurred as the government was due to run out of spending authority at midnight Wednesday, when the third short-term funding bill since Sept. 30 was to expire. Congress was expected to pass another short-term funding bill late Wednesday.

But Bush had not said if he would sign the measure or veto it and force a government shutdown to keep pressure on Congress to complete work on a budget plan Bush can accept.

The latest plan would raise the current 9 cents-a-gallon gasoline tax by a nickel - a compromise between a House-passed deficit reduction bill, which had no gas tax hike, and the Senate-passed bill, which proposed a 9.5 cent increase.

It would raise Medicare premiums by 25 percent and raise the deductible from the current $75 to $100 - a smaller increase than in the defeated bipartisan budget summit plan or in the Senate bill.

The deal would raise income tax rates on the wealthiest Americans from the current 28 percent to 31 percent while at the same time lowering the tax rate on middle-to-upper-income Americans from the current 33 percent to 31 percent.

That would flatten out the so-called bubble in the tax code in which the

richest Americans benefited from a lower tax rate than those less well off.

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LAS VEGAS, NE (OCT. 24) UPI - The heavyweight title Buster Douglas wants to prove he deserves and Evander Holyfield waited so long to fight for will be on the line Thursday night.

Douglas, 30-4-1, makes the first defense of the championship he won with a stunning 10th-round knockout of Mike Tyson Feb. 11 in Tokyo. Holyfield, 24-0, finally challenges for the title after spending 20 months as the top-rated challenger.

The fight, scheduled for 12 rounds, will take place at The Mirage's 16,350-seat outdoor arena and can be seen on pay-per-view TV throughout the country and 121 nations around the world.

Douglas is still looking to prove his victory over Tyson was not luck, as the former champion has claimed. Douglas enters the fight a 13- 10 underdog.

''Beating Mike Tyson, and then coming back to beat Evander Holyfield is a magnificent feat,'' Douglas said. ''It will put me in the same category as the great champions.

''It is a goal of mine to go down in history right alongside Muhammad Ali, Rocky Marciano, Joe Louis and Joe Frazier and other great champions.''

Holyfield, a 1984 Olympic light heavyweight medalist and former undisputed cruiserweight champion, said he has looked forward to fighting for the heavyweight championship since he started boxing when he was 10.

''This is payoff time, where everything comes to an end,'' Holyfield said. ''Where either you pass the test or not.

''I've been trying to get here for 18 years, now I'll see if I'm ready for the test. I feel I am.''

The suspicion Douglas was out of shape was confirmed at Wednesday's weigh-in when the champion stepped on the scale at 246 - 14 1-2 pounds higher than when he fought Tyson. Douglas had said all week he expected to weigh in the low 230s. Holyfield weighed 208, a little lighter than expected.

The challenger will give away 38 pounds, but is the far better conditioned boxer.

''I compare my conditioning and the way I feel overall going into the two fights, and I am comfortable with the way I am,'' Douglas said. ''I feel

stronger.

''Beating Evander will prove once and for all the fight with Mike Tyson wasn't a fluke. I'm still the underdog. Therefore, I still have something to prove.''

Holyfield's conditioning is never a problem. He is one of the most impressively built boxers in the sport. But many doubt he is big enough to handle a large heavyweight like Douglas. At 6-foot-4 with an 83-inch reach, Douglas has advantages of 1 1-2 inches in height and 5 1-2 inches in reach. Douglas, of Columbus, Ohio, is 30 and Holyfield, of Atlanta, 28.

''I've been small all my life,'' Holyfield said of his size disadvantage, ''and I've never had no problem.''

Douglas has not fought since the Tyson fight, mostly because of his legal battle with promoter Don King - which was settled out of court. Holyfield's previous bout was a fourth-round knockout of Seamus McDonagh June 1. When Douglas fought Tyson, Holyfield had a signed $12 million to challenge Tyson in June.

''When you want something as bad as I did and waited all these years ... I stayed focused because I know how good it's going to be when I win it,'' Holyfield said.

Douglas will earn a record $24 million compared to Holyfield's $8 million purse for the Thursday night bout. Mirage owner Steve Wynn, the fight's promoter, forecasts one million pay-per-view subscriptions will be sold for the bout. He also expects a live gate in excess of $10 million.

If Douglas wins, he has signed to fight a rematch with Tyson at The Mirage. Holyfield plans to fight 42-year-old former champin George Foreman next if he wins the title.

The bout is scheduled to start around 10:30 p.m. EDT.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Congress is still working on a budget compromise, racing to beat a midnight deadline or face another government shutdown. Congress and President Bush apparently are close to a deal in which Democrats would drop their demand for a surtax on Millionaires. The new deficit- reduction plan reportedly would raise income tax rates for the wealthy to 31 percent, and would limit their itemized deductions.

The Senate today fell one vote short of overriding the Bush- administration veto of a new civil-rights bill. The vote in the Senate was 66thirds majority needed to override. The White House wants Congress to pass the president's

alternative bill, but Senator Edward Kennedy rejects that path. He says lawmakers will pass a stronger bill next year, and predicts there will be enough votes to override any veto.

The Senate today overhwelmingly defeated a measure that would have denied funding to works of art deemed obscene regardless of their artistic merit. G-O-P Senator Jesse Helms, the bill's sponsor, says he is NOT seeking censorship... and says the issue is one of govenment SPONSORSHIP through the National Endowment for the Arts. The Senate will now consider a measure to recoup funding of any project which the courts find obscene.

Political supporters of former Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto cried vote fraud after Bhutto lost one of the two seats she contested in nationwide elections today. Bhutto's main opposition took the lead in early returns in the voting for 214 seats in the National Assembly. State-run television says election violence left at least nine people dead and 60 injured.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Two doctors warned today of a new consumer-products hazard. Doctors from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey say people who pop open microwaved popcorn bags should watch out for escaping steam. They say steam that builds up in the bags can burn people's eyes or other parts of their bodies. The physicians caution against opening the bags too quickly. The warning is in a letter published in The New England Journal of Medicine.

Anti-drug chief William Bennett heads to Alaska tomorrow for a two- day campaign to outlaw marijuana in the state. Possession of less than four ounces of cannabis is legal in Alaska. Voters will decide November 6th whether to make marijuana possession a misdemeanor. The leader of the group Alaskans for Recriminalization of Marijuana says- quote- ''If there's a war on drugs... then Alaska's marijuana law has to be the front line.''

Police in California say a 12-year-old girl was kept locked in closets for as long as 10 years by her parents. San Bernardino officers went to the girl's home on a tip received by a Child Abuse Hotline. Police found the girl locked inside a bedroom closet that reeked of human waste and was littered with food wrappers. The girl's father says she must have been locked inside accidentally by a sister. Officers arrested the parents.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - A federal budget breakthrough appears close. House Democrats caucused today and embraced a new deficit-reduction plan that drops a surtax on Millionaires that was opposed by President Bush. The plan instead would limit tax deductions and exemptions for the wealthy. House Speaker Thomas

Foley says he thinks the White House will accept the compromise. He says the proposal was discussed with administration officials ''in general terms.''

President Bush maintained his perfect record of UNdefeated vetoes today when the Senate fell one vote short of overriding his veto of a civil rights bill. Bush says the bill would lead to UNdesirable job quotas. But Senator Edward Kennedy blasted the president for the veto. The Massachusetts Democrat says Bush dishonors his office, abuses civil rights and- quote- ''stoops to divisive appeals to prejudice and resentment.''

Israeli warplanes raided alleged Palestinian guerrilla bases late today in southern Lebanon. The attack took place on the outskirts of Tyre, a main base for the followers of Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat. Israeli sources say the bases were used to launch ''terrorist attacks.'' NO casualties were immediately reported.

The renewed rattling of sabres in the Middle East had an immediate effect on world oil prices. Oil prices were already up earlier today because of new UNeasiness about the Persian Gulf crisis, and the report from Israel only fanned the fires. The cost of the U-S benchmark crude was up one-dollar and 71 cents today to 31-oh-eight a barrel.

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(OCT. 24) UPI - A 14-year-old boy was found guilty of kidnapping and attempted murder in Brooklyn, New York, today for an incident in which 12-year-old David Opont was burned on more than half of his body last March. The youth allegedly took Opont to an empty basement and set him afire as punishment for NOT smoking crack cocaine. The youth- whose name has NOT been made public- faces three years in detention and possible extensions until he reaches the age of 21.

The government of Panama is suing former dictator Manuel Noriega for six-point-five-BILLION dollars. Panama accuses him of looting the country's treasury of at least 500-Million dollars. The suit, filed today in federal court in Miami, seeks the stolen money as well as BILLIONS in punitive and compensatory damages. Noriega is in jail in Miami... pending his trial on drug trafficking and racketeering charges.

Polish Solidarity leader Lech Walesa filed some 500- thousand nominating signatures today and was registered as a presidential candidate. Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki registered last week with 141-thousand signatures. Early presidential elections were called for November 25th after General Wojciech Jaruzelski agreed to step down.

Multnomah County, Oregon, District Judge Robert Kirkman faces removal from the bench after it was found he committed bigamy by forging his own divorce papers

in order to marry another woman in 1987. In a statement issued today... the state's Judicial Fitness Commission called the events leading up to Kirkman's 1987 remarriage ''notorious.'' The Oregon Supreme Court will rule on whether Kirkman will remain a judge.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 24) UPI - Elizabeth Dole resigned as labor secretary Wednesday, effective Nov. 23, to become head of the American Red Cross. Early speculation focused on two other women as possible successors.

Congressional sources said the names of Constance Newman, director of the Office of Personnel Management, and Rep. Lynn Martin, R-Ill, were being floated on Capitol Hill as potential replacements.

Dole, 54, is the first member of the Bush Cabinet to step down. She is the highest-ranking woman in the Bush administration.

''It is with real deep regret that I accept this resignation,'' Bush told reporters at the White House in formally announcing the resignation of Dole, wife of Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas.

Mrs. Dole, standing beside bush, denied a report that she felt shut out in his male-dominated administration and told the president, ''I thank you for your trust in me and for your friendship.''

She also tried to play down speculation that she might run for governor of North Carolina in 1992. ''I'm going to the Red Cross. I have no plans to run for anything.''

Senate Labor Committee Chairman Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., a frequent White House critic, said Dole ''deserves the nation's gratitude for a job well done. It can't be easy serving as a pro-labor secretary in an anti-labor administration.''

White House officials said a search for Dole's replacement had already begun, but refused to name any names, and declined to say if Bush would wait until after the Nov. 6 congressional election.

Martin may need a job by then. Polls show she is trailing by wide margins in her bid to unseat Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill.

A spokesman for the congresswoman said, however, that Marin isn't interested in the labor post, at least not now. ''Rep. Martin intends to spend the next six years in the U.S. Senate.''

Traditionally, administrations begin to receive resignations from the Cabinet

secretaries in their second year. There have been sporadic reports that Attorney General Dick Thornburgh and Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher might be among those interested in moving on. Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos has weathered complaints that he is ineffective, and seems to have Bush's support to remain as long as he wants.

At the Transportation Department, Dole presided over some of the most turbulent years in U.S. aviation history that saw public confidence shaken in airline safety and public angry over deteriorating service.

She advocated requiring air bags or self-buckling safety belts for new automobiles and got her way in an administration not disposed to more government regulation.

Her tenure also paralleled a critical period for organized labor. Dole served during strikes at Eastern Airlines and Greyhound Inc., and last year she helped resolve a dispute between Pittston Co. and striking members of the United Mine Workers Union.

Bush said as labor secretary Dole helped make ''the workplace safer and healthier and more secure'' and ''you've helped built better labor- management relations.''

The president noted that Lane Kirland, head of the AFL-CIO, had offered ''very supportive comments'' when told of her resignation. ''That was just one more testimonial for the job she has done as secretary of labor.

Bush told her, ''It's been a joy serving with you in the Cabinet. You have done a superb job for this country.''

As head of the American Red Cross, Dole will be in charge of a century-old organization with a staff of 23,000, a billion-dollar budget and more than 1 million volunteers. Her salary will nearly double to about $200,000.

Dole, noting that Bush serves as honary chairman of the congressionally chartered volunteer group, said jokingly, ''I wonder if we couldn't just consider this a transfer?''

''Fine with me,'' Bush replied.

Dole served six presidents in her quarter-century career of public service, which has seen her named by the Gallup Poll as one of the world's 10 most admired women.

A former Democrat turned Republican, Dole was executive director of Lyndon Johnson's Commission for Consumer Affairs and deputy to Richard Nixon's consumer affairs adviser, Virginia Knauer.

She became the only woman member of the Federal Trade Commission in 1973 and in 1982 was named to the Reagan Cabinet as transportation secretary, a post she held for 4 1/2 years, longer than any other in the agency's history.

Dole quit the Reagan Cabinet to help in her husband's unsuccessful bid for the presidency in 1988. Despite a bitter campaign between Bush and her husband, she was one of the president-elect's first choices for his Cabinet.

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LAS VEGAS, NV (OCT. 24) UPI - Heavyweight champion James ''Buster'' Douglas confirmed suspicion he was out of shape Wednesday when he weighed in at 246 pounds for his Thursday night defense against Evander Holyfield.

Douglas weighed 14 1-2 pounds more than when he knocked out Mike Tyson last February. He had predicted he would weigh close to the 231 1- 2 he was against Tyson.

Holyfield weighed 208, several pounds lighter than expected. The former cruiserweight champion will give away 38 pounds in the bout while enjoying a huge conditioning edge.

The weight was the seventh heaviest for Douglas in his 35-bout career. He was 5-0-1 in the previous six, including a second-round knockout of Jesse Clark in 1983 when he was a career-high 260. Douglas fought an 8-round draw with Stefan Tangstadt at 251 in 1982.

Douglas weighed 242 1-2 when he won a 10-round decision over Oliver McCall July 21, 1989 in his last bout before Tyson.

Primo Carnera was the only champion to outweigh Douglas in a title defense. Carnero stopped Jack Sharkey in 1933 at 260 1-2 and lost his title when he was knocked out at 263 1-4 by 209 1-2-pound Max Baer in 1934.

Douglas stepped on the scales first in blue briefs, sucking in his stomach. When the weight was announced, Holyfield's trainer Lou Duva yelled ''We're home'' and the champion quickly stepped off the scale and left the stage at The Mirage ballroom.

When asked if he was worried about the weight, Douglas replied ''No, not at all.''

''They're gonna roll him into the ring and carry him out,'' Duva said. ''How can a fighter come into the ring at 246?''

Douglas's handlers claimed they were not worried about the extra weight.

At first, they claimed his correct weight was 238 but quickly dropped their challenge. Nevada State Athletic Commission officials said they checked the scale after Douglas weighed in.

''If he's 246, we'll prove a lot of people wrong who said he couldn't fight at this weight,'' said John Johnson, the champion's manager. ''James will hit him with about 10 more pounds of power.''

Douglas's trainer J.D. McCauley said he expected the champ to weigh 238. He said they never weighed Douglas during training, however.

''We'll just have to wait and see how it affects him,'' McCauley said. ''He'll have to handle it. I guarantee this: Buster's going to be out there punching.''

The weigh-in was open to the public, and the crowd reacted in stunned silence when the champion's weight was announced. The weight is expected to swing the odds higher in Holyfield's favor. Holyfield opened as a 12- 5 favorite in July but the odds dropped to 13-10 by Wednesday morning. They will likely be higher by the opening bell.

Mirage oddsmaker Jimmy Vaccaro said the weigh-in prompted a mad rush to the sporst book.

''People ran back after the weigh-in,'' Vaccaro said. ''Over $150,000 was bet in one hour, and 90 percent of it was bet on Holyfield.''

As for the challenger, Holyfield was expected to come in between 210 and 212.

''We were shooting for 210,'' Duva said.

Holyfield weighed 208 when he stopped Michael Dokes in 1989 in his best heavyweight performance. He was a career-high 212 against Alex Stewart last November and 210 against Seamus McDonagh in his previous bout June 1.

Douglas camp estimates placed the champion's weight at around 260 when he opened training camp in his Columbus, Ohio, hometown in late August. Douglas blamed his weight problems on depression because of his woes after upsetting Tyson.

Led by promoter Don King, boxing's governing bodies considered overturning Douglas's knockout of Tyson because they claimed he was given a long count during an eighth-round knockdown. Douglas got up to knock out Tyson two rounds later.

The incident in Tokyo sparked a split between Douglas and King, who filed suits against each other which were settled out of court in July.

''I got a little depressed because of the things going on,'' Douglas said.

He reacted by taking to soul food. ''Second and third helpings,'' he said.

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LAS VEGAS, NV (OCT. 24) UPI - The tale of the tape for the Oct. 25 James ''Buster'' Douglas-Evander Holyfield world heavyweight championship fight:

	Douglas	Holyfield
Age	30	28
Weight	246	208
Height	6-4	6-2 1/2
Reach	83	77 1/2
Chest normal	45	43
Chest expanded	47	45
Biceps	17	16
Forearm	14	12 1/2
Waist	35	32
Thigh	26	22
Calf	17	13
Neck	18	19 1/2
Wrist	8	7 1/2
Fist	13 1/2	12 1/2
Ankle	11	10

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 25) UPI - A shareholders' class-action lawsuit was filed Wednesday against the current and former chief officers of the parent company of California Federal Savings and Loan, alleging they inflated its securities to maintain high market prices.

The suit, filed in U.S. District Court on behalf of Arnold Cohen and others who purchased common stock in CalFed Inc. between Jan. 1, 1987 and Oct. 19, 1990, alleges the company misrepresented its financial condition in annual reports filed between 1986 and 1989 and in reports to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

CalFed reported on Oct. 19 that it would post a net loss of $92.3 million for the third quarter because it was adding $96 million to its loan-loss reserves and recording a loss of $42.8 million in connection with the sale of its subsidiary, Beneficial Standard Life Insurance Co.

The savings and loan touted its underwriting controls and investment management and said CalFed's loan volume had hit a new high, surpassing its previous loan obligations by $500 million, the suit said.

''In fact ... CalFed's reserves for loans, in particular for loans made by CalFed to certain real estate developer-borrowers, were woefully inadequate as well as with respect to investments made by its own real estate development subsidiaries,'' the lawsuit said.

It said CalFed's real-estate assets were ''overstated.''

CalFed's report that it would post a third quarter loss was ''unexpected'' and ''shocked the financial community,'' the suit said.

It alleges CalFed's officers conspired to conceal the company's true financial condition ''to maintain artificially high market prices for the securities.''

The lawsuit, which seeks unspecified damages, names as defendants: Jerry St. Dennis, CalFed's current chairman and chief executive officer; John Torell III chairman and chief executive officer until his resignation in July 1989; William Callender, a former director and president; and Robert Dockson, former chairman emeritus and chairman of the Executive Committee.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Miami	5	1	0	.833	125	83
Buffalo	5	1	0	.833	160	126
Indianapolis	2	4	0	.333	98	135
NY Jets	2	5	0	.286	134	178
New England	1	5	0	.167	90	169

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	4	2	0	.667	188	166
Houston	4	3	0	.571	169	135
Pittsburgh	3	4	0	.429	109	128
Cleveland	2	4	0	.333	111	173

WEST

LA Raiders	6	1	0	.857	147	99
Kansas City	4	3	0	.571	167	114
Seattle	3	4	0	.429	144	135
Denver	3	4	0	.429	168	178
San Diego	2	5	0	.286	123	132

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
NY Giants	6	0	0	1.000	150	86
Washington	4	2	0	.667	134	82
Dallas	3	4	0	.429	90	135
Philadelphia	2	4	0	.333	130	132
Phoenix	2	4	0	.333	79	141

CENTRAL

Chicago	5	1	0	.833	142	75
Tampa Bay	4	3	0	.571	147	141
Detroit	2	4	0	.333	141	169
Green Bay	2	4	0	.333	103	146
Minnesota	1	5	0	.167	140	135

WEST

San Francisco	6	0	0	1.000	154	101
LA Rams	2	4	0	.333	164	173
Atlanta	2	4	0	.333	161	183
New Orleans	2	4	0	.333	105	133

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(OCT. 24) UPI - Former Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto says today's parliamentary elections were rigged. Early returns show Bhutto and her party headed for a crushing defeat in the elections that were called after her government was sacked in August on corruption charges.

Coast Guard planes searched the Atlantic north of Bermuda today but found NO trace of a 50-foot sailboat that left Cape Cod, Massachusetts, 10 days ago for the Virgin Islands. The vessel... with its captain and two crewmembers... was to have stopped in Bermuda last weekend.

Four workers were injured- two seriously- when a form holding wet concrete collapsed today inside a giant sewer tunnel under construction in Toledo, Ohio. Rescuers say one of the men may have suffered a broken back.

Two roads into Yosemite National Park were blocked by rockslides triggered by an overnight earthquake that jolted much of Northern California. The quake... measuring five-point-seven on the Richter scale... caused other minor damage but NO injuries. It was centered near Lee Vining, a hamlet 170 miles east of San Francisco.

Some residents of southern Illinois were awakened early this morning by a slight earthquake that rattled the area. The epicenter of the quake... which

measured three-point-five on the Richter scale... was 10 miles north of Mount Vernon. NO major damage or injuries were reported.

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#90297u2935 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 24) UPI - There is new optimism that Congress is near agreement on a long- awaited deficit-cutting budget plan. A compromise proposal won the support of House Democrats today. It drops a surtax on Millionaires and instead limits tax deductions and exemptions for the rich. And White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater is hopeful an agreement will be reached tonight.

The government will run out of money in less than two hours, and Congress is expected to pass a temporary spending bill tonight... whether or NOT a budget agreement is imminent. Fitzwater says President Bush would sign the measure if House and Senate negotiators have at least settled on an agreement.

The Senate today upheld by a single vote the president's veto of a new civil rights bill. The White House urged Congress to pass the president's version of the measure. President Bush says the congressional bill would have led to hiring quotas for women and minorities. Democratic Senator Edward Kennedy accuses Bush of- in his words- taking ''the low road on civil rights.''

The U-N Security Council voted unanimously today to condemn Israel- for the second time this month. The body reprimanded Israel for NOT accepting a U-N investigation into the October 8th massacre of 20 Palestinians at Jerusalem's sacred Temple Mount. The U-S ambassador again joined in condemning Israel. Washington says Israel's rejection of the probe threatens the Arab coalition against Iraq.

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#90297u2945 10/24/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 24) UPI - The company blamed for dumping toxins at New York's Love Canal development went on trial today in Buffalo. The state of New York is seeking 665-Million dollars in damages from the Occidental Chemical Corporation. A prosecutor said the company's sale of the poisoned land was like selling a vicious dog to someone who caN'T control it. A defense lawyer says the company tried to use ''balanced judgment'' based on its knowledge at the time.

A new study says oil tankers are spoiling the environment in Valdez , Alaska. But it's NOT the shoreline they're looking at this time, it's the air. The study... commissioned by several oil companies... says tankers at the oil port routinely emit one-tenth of the total hydrocarbons found in Los Angeles- a city one-thousand times larger than Valdez. The oil industry balks at new restrictions on tanker emissions.

Whoopi Goldberg was named entertainer of the year today by the N-Double-A-C-P... as the civil-rights group prepared for its annual Image Awards to be announced December 1st. The group released nominations in several entertainment categories- stressing minorities. It also says Goldberg, singer Dionne Warwick and record producers Jimmy Jam and Terry Lewis will receive special awards.

A Houston apartment complex issued new restrictions on U-S flags. The restrictions say the flags canNOT be displayed outside the apartments. Many residents of the Plantation Apartments put the flags up to support the U-S troops in Saudi Arabia. But the apartment manager is now telling residents to take the flags down. Residents say they're confused because the complex encourages Halloween decorations and even has a door- decorating contest at Christmas.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Lindal Cedar Homes Inc. (NASDAQ:LNDL) Thursday reported net income rose 52% while revenues declined in the third quarter, primarily due to the improvement in the WindowVisions unit.

Net earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $1.1 million, or $.42 per share, on total revenues of $13.4 million. Net earnings were $728,000, or $.28 per share, on revenues of $15.6 million in the third quarter of 1989, which was prior to the downsizing of Lindal's WindowVision unit.

For the first nine months of 1990 net earnings were $1.8 million, or $.69 per share, on revenues of $35.0 million. This compares with net income of $844,000, or $.32 per share, on revenues of $38.5 million for the first nine months of 1989. Per share results have been adjusted for 10% stock dividends issued in June 1990 and May 1989.

''Domestic home sales increased both during the quarter and year-to-date, although our Canadian and overseas sales have declined, creating a decrease in home segment revenues for the quarter. Home segment revenues are flat for the year. Revenues were further reduced this year by the planned downsizing of WindowVisions,'' said Robert W. Lindal, president and chief executive officer. ''New orders in the first nine months of 1990 have kept pace with the record levels we experienced in the same period last year, although they have declined in recent months.''

Operations at the window unit have shown further improvement in the third quarter, and the division generated a profit of $45,000, or $.02 per share. ''We have now posted two consecutive quarterly profits for the division, and I believe this shows that we have resolved the operating problems we experienced at WindowVisions last year,'' Lindal said.

''Because home segment revenues have not surpassed the record levels achieved in 1989 and due to the general uncertainty in the economy, we have decided to lower overhead. Staffing levels have been reduced to 1989 levels, primarily through attrition, and we are keeping a close watch on all expenses,'' Lindal added.

Lindal Cedar Homes is the world's largest manufacturer of top-of-the-line, year-round cedar homes and sunrooms which are sold under the trademarks of Lindal Cedar Homes and Justus Log Homes. Over 350 distributors are located in the U.S., Canada, Japan and other foreign countries.

Lindal Cedar Homes
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(In thousands except per share amounts)
(unaudited)

	Third Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	10/1/89	9/30/90	10/1/89
Total revenue	$13,385	$15,586	$35,008	$38,542
Gross profit	$ 3,792	$ 4,203	$ 9,284	$ 8,828
Operating income	$ 1,321	$ 1,346	$ 2,403	$ 1,566
Net other income	$ 209	$ 96	$ 474	$ 186
Earnings before income taxes and extraordinary item	$ 1,530	$ 1,442	$ 2,877	$ 1,752
Income tax expense	$ 421	$ 509	$ 995	$ 628
Loss from discontinued operations	$ ---	$ 205	$ 64	$ 377
Extraordinary item - income tax benefit from net operating loss carryforward	$ ---	$ ---	$ ---	$ 97
Net earnings	$ 1,109	$ 728	$ 1,818	$ 844
Earnings per common share: Earnings from continuing operations	$ .42	$ .36	$ .71	$ .43
Discontinued operations	$ ---	($ .08)	($ .02)	($ .15)
Extraordinary item	$ ---	$ ---	$ ---	$ .04
Net earnings	$ .42	$ .28	$ .69	$ .32
Shares used to compute earnings per share	2,640	2,616	2,641	2,629
Shares outstanding	2,549	2,314	2,549	2,314

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KENT, WA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - FlowMole Corp. (NASDAQ:MOLE), the leader in trenchless tunneling technology for underground utility installation, Thursday reported record revenues and earnings for the second quarter of fiscal 1991.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income increased 40% to $1,459,000, or $.20 per share, fully diluted, from $1,037,000, or $.15 per share, in last year's second quarter. FlowMole revenues rose 6% to $11.4 million from $10.8 million in the like quarter of fiscal 1989.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was up 42% to $2.6 million or $.35 per share, from $1.8 million, or $.26 per share, in the first half of last year. Revenues were a record $21.6 million compared to $20.9 million in the first half of fiscal 1991.

''September was the second highest volume month we have ever experienced,'' stated John R. Potter, President and CEO. ''Our crews and equipment are now working almost at capacity, and this strong demand for our services is continuing in the third quarter.''

In the second quarter, FlowMole served 91 customers, of which 63 are utilities and 35 were new. The number of units in operation worldwide has increased by 30% from levels achieved last year at this time. Currently there are 90 FlowMole units operating worldwide, 55 of which are operated by the company in North America. This compares to 69 and 42 units in operation, respectively, a year ago. Many of our existing clients are expanding the scope of our business relationship by placing orders with Revalt, our service that refurbishes and seals underground utility structures.

''We expanded our international business by signing lease agreements with Italian and Japanese companies, and we have started a demonstration project in Spain,'' Potter noted. The company has been successful in its first legal defense of the FlowMole technology against a former lessee in Belgium. ''We now hope to resolve a contract dispute with our German licensee, FlowTex, through arbitration here in the United States,'' Potter stated. Due to foreign currency exchange losses and an increase in our reserves for FlowTex receivables, our European subsidiary posted a small loss for the quarter.

''The upgraded Series E GuideDril system, which was introduced last quarter, significantly improved productivity in its first full-scale project. The Series E GuideDril was able to increase output by almost 50% over the Series C model in limerock conditions in Florida. This new technology includes more sophisticated electronics, automation and power to enhance productivity and to reduce cost in rocky soil and large diameter applications,'' Potter said.

FlowMole Corp. installs and replaces underground utility cables and pipes with minimal surface disruption using proprietary high-pressure fluidjet cutting and electromagnetic guidance techniques to accurately bore small diameter tunnels up to 600 feet in length. The company also provides the Revalt service which refurbishes and seals underground utility structures.

The company uses its proprietary GuideDril system to provide services to

utilities in the United States and Canada through 14 regional sales and service centers. It also conducts operations overseas through its wholly owned subsidiary in the U.K. and through business associates in The Netherlands, Denmark, West Germany, France, Belgium, Austria, Italy, Switzerland, the U.K. and Japan.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(unaudited)

	Second Quarter Ended September 30,		First half Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$11,447,000	$10,753,000	$21,643,000	$20,948,000
Gross profit	$ 4,607,000	$ 4,288,000	$ 8,606,000	$ 8,395,000
Operating income	$ 1,934,000	$ 1,733,000	$ 3,251,000	$ 3,164,000
Income before income taxes	$ 2,136,000	$ 1,712,000	$ 3,674,000	$ 2,983,000
Income tax provision	$ 677,000	$ 675,000	$ 1,101,000	$ 1,174,000
Net income	$ 1,459,000	$ 1,037,000	$ 2,573,000	$ 1,809,000
Fully diluted earnings per share	$ .20	$ .15	$ .35	$ .26
Fully diluted shares outstanding	7,320,000	7,350,000	7,353,000	7,624,000

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DENVER (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Cohig & Associates Inc., the Denver-based investment banker, Thursday announced several major changes in its senior management team.

Steven M. Bathgate has been named chairman of the board and chief executive officer, succeeding James C. Cohig in both of those positions.

Steven R. Hinkle, formerly chief operating officer and a board member, will also assume the position of president.

Founded in 1986, Cohig & Associates is a full-service investment banker specializing in capital formation for companies with revenue in the $3 to $50 million range. The firm's particular emphasis is on established public companies that have a need for working capital to fund promising business opportunities or late stage product development. Cohig & Associates has 60

brokers in four Colorado offices.

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#90298b0022 10/25/1990 ~Business Wire
BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Louis G. Karabochos, chairman president and founder of Space Wif Corp., announced Thursday the appointment of Michael Reagan as a consultant.

Michael Reagan, a popular San Diego radio talk show host and best-selling author of the autobiography, ''On the Outside Looking In,'' is an actor, writer, motivational speaker, athlete and son of the 40th president of the United States, Ronald Reagan, and Academy Award-winning actress Jane Wyman.

Reagan holds many world records in the sport of powerboat racing. He received the Victor Award due to his outstanding sports and humanitarian achievements. Through his racing, he has raised more than $1.5 million for the U.S. Olympic Committee, the Statue of Liberty Restoration Fund and the Cystic Fibrosis and Diabetes foundations.

Prior to his radio show on San Diego's KSDO, Reagan hosted a radio show in Los Angeles and has filled in for the nationally syndicated Michael Jackson. Reagan's reputation as a motivational speaker has kept him busy with continual personal appearances on such television shows as ''Good Morning America,'' ''The Today Show,'' ''Hour Magazine'' and ''The Tonight Show.''

In addition to serving as consultant to the entertainment industry for Space Wif and making special appearances on behalf of the organization, Reagan will also serve on the board of directors for the non-profit Space Wif Foundations, a charitable arm planned for Space Wif Corp.

Space Wif, a Delaware Corp. with headquarters in Beverly Hills, is a publicly held company currently traded over the counter (OTC). The company is engaged in the production of video tapes on the space program, using former astronauts and animated characters called ''Wifs.''

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - SJNB Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:SJNB) holding company for San Jose National Bank, San Jose, and Tri-Valley National

Bank, Dublin, reported net income of $298,000, or 18 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

This compares with net income of $339,000, or 21 cents per share for the like period in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company posted net earnings of $838,000, or 51 cents per share, as compared with a net loss of $320,000, or 20 cents per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Total consolidated assets for SJNB Financial Corp. at Sept. 30, 1990, were $104.4 million, as compared with $103.6 million at the same date in 1989. Total consolidated loans grew to $74.9 million at Sept. 30, 1990, from $65.3 million for the like period in 1989. Consolidated deposits remained level at $89 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $88.8 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

SJNB Financial Corp.
Comparison Chart

	Third Quarter		Percent	Nine Months Ended		Percent
	1990	1989	Change	9/30/90	9/30/89	Change
Net income	$298,000	$339,000	(12)	$838,000	$(320,000)	+362
Earnings per share	18 cents	21 cents	(14)	51 cents	(20 cents)	+355
Assets	$104,400,000	$103,600,000	+ 1			
Deposits	89,000,000	88,800,000	0			
Loans	74,900,000	65,300,000	+15			

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FREMONT, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Accton Technology Corp. has added a 12-port concentrator to its 10BASE-T Ethernet line with independent AUI and BNC trunk connectors.

Each EtherHub-12R can connect up to 12 workstations to an 10BASE-T workgroup.

The EtherHub-12R is an active hub that comes with 12 RJ- 45 ports and an array of LEDs to indicate power, busy, collision, and link conditions.

Each port has two LEDs, one to indicate link status and the other to indicate a fault condition that has automatically partitioned that port from the network. The automatic partitioning of bad ports protects against overall network failure.

Unique to the EtherHub's design are the AUI and BNC connectors at the back of the unit. These connectors provide a link to the network backbone without having to sacrifice concentrator ports.

And because these ports work independently, the concentrator's repeater function can be used to connect two different types of cabling media, the BNC connector to thin Ethernet and the 15-pin D-type AUI connector to standard Ethernet.

The EtherHub-12R is ideal for expanding 10BASE-T networks since new nodes can be installed without disturbing the network. Internal bridging isolates each port to prevent network failure should one 10BASE-T segment should fail.

By cascading EtherHubs, additional users or workgroups can be added through additional EtherHubs or 10BASE-T concentrators from other manufacturers.

The EtherHub-12R is scheduled to begin shipping in December. The unit will sell for less than $100 per port.

Accton Technology Corp. manufactures a complete line of connectivity hardware and software. For more information, contact Marshall Behling at Accton, 46750 Fremont Blvd., 104, Fremont, Calif. 94538; telephone 415/226-9800; or Tom Woolf, Media Relations, 415/366-6231.

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RENO, NEV. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Pacific Resources (NYSE:SRP) Thursday reported a net loss for the third quarter of $1.13 per share of common stock, compared with earnings of 43 cents per share for the like quarter in 1989.

The loss per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was 15 cents compared to earnings of $1.48 for the like period a year ago.

The company decided in August 1990 to discontinue its participation in the Thousand Springs Power Project.

This decision resulted in an extraordinary charge of $35,659,000, net of $18,369,000 income tax benefit and was booked in the third quarter of 1990. As a result, net income per share was charged with a loss of $1.57 for the

three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and $1.58 for the nine months.

Net income per share before the extraordinary charge was $1.43 for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, a decline of 5 cents as compared to earnings of $1.48 for the like period. Third quarter net income per share before the extraordinary charge was 44 cents as compared to earnings of 43 cents for the like period in 1989.

Sierra Pacific Resources
Financial Hiqhlights

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Revenues	$ 112,599,000	$ 108,014,000
Expenses	$ 91,554,000	$ 89,412,000 Income
Before Extraordinary Item	$ 9,914,000	$ 9,470,000
Extraordinary Item	($ 35,659,000)	--
Net Income (Loss)	($ 25,745,000)	$ 9,470,000
Average Shares	22,713,129	22,236,924
Per Share Amounts		
Income Before Extraordinary item	44 cents	43 cents
Extraordinary Item	($ 1.57)	--
Net Income (Loss)	($ 1.13)	43 cents

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HOUSTON (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Conoco is the safest U.S. oil company according to 1989 industry safety statistics recently released by the American Petroleum Institute.

Conoco's 1989 lost time accident rate of 0.14, or one lost time accident for every 714 employees, is the best safety performance of the major oil companies submitting safety data to the API.

The company's 1.39 total recordable accident rate, a broader measure of safety performance, is also the lowest among the reporting companies. Recordable accidents are those involving injuries requiring more than first aid treatment.

''The continued recognition of Conoco as the industry leader in safety performance is a credit to our employees and their attention to safety in the work place and is a great source of pride within our company,'' said Constantine S. Nicandros, president and chief executive officer of Conoco. ''The real payoff is so many of our employees returning home safely at the end

of each day's work,'' he added.

Nicandros emphasized that while the company's performance in 1989 was an improvement over the previous year, Conoco's ultimate safety goal had not been reached.

''Our goal is zero accidents,'' he said. ''It is a realistic goal, an achievable goal, but one that requires each employees' continued commitment to the Conoco philosophy that 'Our work is never so urgent or important that we cannot take the time to do it safely,' '' Nicandros added.

Conoco has had the lowest annual lost time accident rate of all the major oil companies for 13 of the last 16 years, according to the API annual survey.

Conoco is a subsidiary of Du Pont.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Thursday announced the immediate availability of its international VPN(sm) service to Canada, a public network service that offers private telecommunications network features and end-to-end international service.

US Sprint will offer VPN(sm) service to Canada via an agreement with Unitel Communications Inc., Canada's national facilities-based telecommunications carrier.

Through a technological and business partnership unique in international telephony, US Sprint and Unitel will extend the compatibility of their networks beyond simple interchange of transmission facilities to comprehensive joint network planning.

The partnership will jointly develope and implement network operations such as dial administration, signaling, operations methodology and order procedures.

International VPN(sm) is an extension of US Sprint's domestic VPN(sm) service, designed for medium and large customers.

Controlled by computer software in US Sprint's network, the VPN(sm) service allows communications traffic to be carried over shared transmission facilities, providing many of the same services available via dedicated leased channels without the cost of special telecommunications equipment or expensive facility leases.

The service includes operational advanced features such as seven-digit dialing compatible with uniform domestic network numbering for overseas calls.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company based in Kansas City.

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Unitel, Toronto
Allison Greer, 416/232-6486

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - MOSEL Thursday announced the introduction of their very low-power fast version of the 256K-bit static RAM, the MS62256A.

Organized as 32K x 8, with an access and cycle time as fast as 25 nano seconds these devices are used in high-performance systems and speed-critical applications, such as cache memory. The low-power consumption of this product also makes it ideal for power sensitive applications.

MOSEL's current offerings in the 256K-bit family are now broadened to include speeds of 25 to 55 nano seconds. Manufactured using MOSEL's proprietary high-performance CMOS process technology, both standard power and low-power versions are available. The low-power version features a full standby current of only 200ua (micron amp) maximum at 25 nano seconds.

For applications requiring battery backup, the device also features a low data retention current of only 50ua maximum. ''In addition to the low standby current, which is 50ua typical, our 256K static RAM draws only 125mA typical of operating current,'' said Howard Bogrow, MOSEL's marketing manager for SRAM Products.

''This provides system designers with an attractive choice for systems where power consumption is an important concern, such as the rapidly growing high-performance portable computer market.''

Samples of the MS62256A are now available with production quantities available in first quarter of 1991. These devices are offered for commercial (0 degrees Centigrade-70 degress Centigrade) temperature applications, and are packaged in the JEDEC standard 28 pin 600mil and 300mil plastic DIP and the space-saving 300mil small outline surface mount package.

The 25 nano second standard power devices are priced at $26.30 for PDIP and $31.50 for SOJ/SOIC in quantities of 100.

MOSEL is a manufacturer of state of the art specialty memory products including Latch RAMs, FIFOs, Cache Data RAMs, Dual Port SRAMs, Voice ROMs, Video Color Palette devices in addition to high-speed bytewide SRAMs and industrial temperature SRAMs. With sales up 75 percent in 1989, the company is one of the fastest growing in the semiconductor industry. MOSEL is located at 914 West Maude Ave., Sunnyvale, Calif.

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WILMINGTON, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Vector Aeromotive Corp. (NASDAQ:VCAR) announced Thursday that VECTOR No. 002 is scheduled to be delivered during the last week of October 1990.

To date, four VECTOR W8 TwinTurbo supercars have been completed, with No. 001 having been delivered in September. Two of the completed VECTORs have been delivered to Vector's marketing and sales division to support its ongoing international marketing and selling efforts.

According to Robert Braner, director of sales, marketing and dealer development for the company, ''We have scheduled additional deliveries for November, and a total of ten completed and delivered W8 supercars by the end of 1990.

''This schedule is in keeping with the advancement that has been made to date in refining the production process, as well as the progress that Vector has made in testing requirements for emissions certification.

''To date, the company has made substantial progress towards completing required EPA testing for 50-state certification of the VECTOR W8. The certification process is expected to be successfully completed prior to year-end, providing Vector with the ability to meet delivery schedules, both in the United States and offshore.''

The American-made VECTOR supercar competes in the same price category with the 3 liter Ferrari F40 and 5 liter Lamborghini Diablo. The VECTOR, designed and engineered to ''mil-spec'' quality standards, has an aerospace manufactured monocoque chassis that is epoxy bonded and riveted with aircraft fasteners.

The powerplant is a Vector designed TwinTurbo 6 liter V-8 engine that generates over 600 horsepower, based on confirmed dynamometer tests.

Vector Aeromotive Corp. is headquartered in Wilmington, Calif., near the Port of Los Angeles.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - SGS-THOMSON Microelectronics' subsidiary Innovative Silicon Technology (IST) and ZyMOS Corp. Thursday announced the signing of a product exchange and development agreement.

IST, with its expertise in digital semicustom products, and ZyMOS, a leading supplier of PC chip sets, graphics and ASIC SuperCell solutions, will jointly market and design semi-standard components for the personal computer marketplace.

As a part of the agreement, ZyMOS will contribute its system core logic chip set System 90/SX, POACH 51 VGA Controller, system design expertise and SuperCell library.

IST will contribute its 1.2- and 0.8-micron semicustom families which will soon include functions derived from the ZyMOS SuperCells, and its access to high-volume cost-effective manufacturing through parent company SGS-THOMSON.

The initial emphasis of the agreement is on the marketing and manufacturing of the existing ZyMOS System 90/SX and POACH 51 VGA Controller for which IST will have manufacturing and marketing rights. Future generation devices, jointly developed by the two companies, will be added over the next 12 months which will complete the product offering for PC manufacturers.

''We are convinced that this partnership will be very successful,'' said Piero Martinotti, chief executive officer of IST. ''Our benchmark activity has proven the System 90/SX to be one of the best performing 386SX AT chip sets available, and is a prime example of the high-level performance products we will be able to jointly offer at a very competitive price.''

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SAN MATEO, CA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Universal Trust (NYSE:FT), a

closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers, Inc., announced today that its Board of Trustees has authorized the sale of up to one million additional shares of beneficial interest to Franklin Resources, Inc., (NYSE:BEN).

Franklin Resources, the parent company of Franklin Advisers, Inc., is not obligated to purchase all, or any of the shares. The purchases, if made, will be at the shares' then-current net asset value.

Franklin Advisers, Inc., also manages the 56-member, $44-billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.7 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, CA 94404.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Sterling Bancorporation (OTC) (not to be confused with the NYSE company of the same name) Thursday announced earnings of $1,367,482, or 94 cents per share, for the first nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Earnings for the nine months of 1989 were $968,442, or 72 cents per share. Earnings per share data is adjusted for the 5 percent stock dividend paid Nov. 16, 1989 and the 5 percent stock dividend to be paid Nov. 15, 1990.

The company attributed the earnings increase to higher loan volume outstanding at its bank and finance company subsidiaries and to higher service fee income, mortgage originations and sales at its mortgage company subsidiary. The company noted that its mortgage servicing portfolio was $617 million at Sept. 30, 1990 compared with $278 million on the same date in 1989.

For the third quarter, earnings amounted to $418,619, or 27 cents per share, compared with $306,100, or 23 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

Sterling Bancorporation, based in Los Angeles, is the holding company for Sterling Bank, a specialist commercial bank, BSC Mortgage Corp., and Sterling Business Credit Inc., a commercial finance company.

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DALLAS/FORT WORTH AIRPORT (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - American Airlines

announced Thursday that it had sent the following letter to Thomas G. Plaskett chairman of Pan American World Airways, with a copy to each member of the Pan American Board:

'' We have seen the press releases issued on October 23 by Pan Am and United, announcing Pan Am's intention to sell to United various assets, including five route authorities between U.S. cities and Heathrow Airport. As I have told you many times in the past, most recently in our telephone conversation of Monday, October 22, we have for some time been interested in acquiring a number of Pan Am's international route authorities, including those to the United Kingdom.

''We would welcome an opportunity to make an offer to acquire the United Kingdom route authorities and believe, if given the opportunity thus far denied us, we would propose terms substantially better than those described in the press releases. Alternatively, we would welcome an opportunity to enter into an arrangement to acquire a package of assets that would provide Pan Am with superior economic benefits than that offered by United.

''We believe that the fiduciary duties owed by you and your fellow directors to maximize value for Pan Am's stockholders and creditors dictate that you afford us an opportunity to make a competing offer for these assets.

''While we think there may be competitive and regulatory concerns for United in the arrangement proposed with Pan Am, if United is permitted to proceed, certainly American would be.

''We look forward to hearing from you so that we may pursue a transaction superior to the proposed United transaction.''

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Al Becker, 817/967-1577

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MANSFIELD, OH (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of the Gorman-Rupp Co. (AMEX:GRC) has declared a quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock of the company, payable Dec. 10 to shareholders of record Nov. 9.

This is the 163rd consecutive dividend paid by the Gorman-Rupp Co.

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Robert E. Kirkendall, 419/755-1294

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MADISON, Wis. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - LUNAR Corp. (NASDAQ:LUNR) Thursday announced that net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 9 percent to $685,000, or 14 cents per share, compared with net income of $558,000, or 12 cents per share, for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

First quarter revenues increased 9 percent to $3,506,000, from $3,210,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

LUNAR completed its initial public offering of 1,250,000 shares of common stock at $12.00 per share on August 21. Of the 1,250,000 shares sold, 1,000,000 were sold by the company and 250,000 by shareholders.

$2,800,000 of the company proceeds were used to repay long term debt and the balance was invested in short term securities to be used for general corporate purposes.

LUNAR develops products for the diagnosis, monitoring and treatment of osteoporosis and other metabolic bone diseases. The company develops and sells bone densitometers, which are specialized scanning systems used to aid in the diagnosis of bone disease by measuring the desity of bone.

The company is developing a drug, one alpha-D2, for the treatment of osteoporosis and is currently conducting Phase I clinical trials on osteoporotic patients.

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PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Pope & Talbot Inc. Thursday announced a fourth quarter dividend payment of 18 cents per share, payable Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record of Nov. 5, 1990, according to Peter T. Pope, chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Pope & Talbot Inc. is a publicly held, Portland-based paper, pulp and wood products company traded on the NYSE. Pope & Talbot was founded in 1849 and has operations throughout the United States and Canada.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Amdahl Corporation (Amex: AMH) announced today that its board of directors has declared a quarterly dividend

of $.025 per share, payable November 19, 1990, to stockholders of record on November 5, 1990.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Heritage Entertainment Inc. (ASE:HHH) announced results Thursday for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

During the period, the company incurred a loss of $559,000, or 7 cents per share, as compared with a loss of $211,000, or 4 cents per share, for the comparable period in 1989.

The revenue increase is attributable to the inclusion of operation of the Landmark and Seven Gables Theatre chains acquired June 29, 1989, which operations were not included in the comparable period last year.

HERITAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC.
Operating Results
(Unaudited)
Three Months Ended

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
Total Revenues	$8,721,000	$1,537,000
Net Income (Loss)	(559,000)	(211,000)
Earnings (Loss) per Common Share	(7 cents)	(4 cents)
Average Common and Common Share Equivalents, assuming full dilution	8,458,000	5,446,000

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GREENVILLE, SC (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Despite slow growth predictions by analysts, significant growth opportunities for the world's tiremakers in the 1990s can be found in the burgeoning democracies of Eastern Europe, the Soviet embrace of ''glasnost'' and China's search for Western products and technology.

That's the industry forecast offered by Thomas F. Will, Goodyear's manager of management information, at a two-day tire industry conference here sponsored by Clemson University. Will has been a tire industry forecaster and planner at Goodyear for 10 years. North America, the largest tire market in the world

through the 1980s, will continue as the dominant marketplace for tire manufacturers in the l990s, Will said.

But a reunified Germany and newly opened Eastern European markets head Will's list of new growth opportunities in the 90s for the world's tiremakers.

The historic democratization of Eastern Europe adds roughly 10 percent to the world tire market -- an estimated 78 million units, Will said.

This region of 440 million people with only 30 million cars and 15 million trucks will have vehicle manufacturers and suppliers spending the next decade developing the new marketplace, he projected.

The Soviet Union has the largest single market and most advanced tire industry in the region, Will said, but its desire for Western technology could mean business for those willing to sell or license tire technology.

Poland has the largest market outside Russia, and Czechoslovakia (Barum) and Hungary (Taurus) have already been active in the United States tire industry.

Perhaps the most dramatic untapped tire market is in China, where one billion people are awaiting modern transportation. China will fall further behind the rest of the world if it does not make a substantial automotive effort in the 1990s, Will said.

''The tire industry is mature in some regions, but is just now unfolding in others,'' Will said. ''The 1990s offer an expanded challenge for manufacturers and suppliers.''

The 1980s produced significant growth within the tire industry, with worldwide units growing from 541 million in 1980 to 709 million by decade's end.

North America, Europe and Asia/Africa all experienced solid growth rates during the 1980s, but tire market growth in Latin America was lackluster, according to Will.

World vehicle production -- the lifeblood of the tire industry -- posted modest gains during the 1980s, with the Asia/Africa region the growth leader, Will said.

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REDWOOD SHORES, CA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Oracle Corporation, today announced the immediate availability of ORACLE Version 6.0 with the

transaction processing option for Stratus VOS fault-tolerant computer systems. This is the first product released as a result of Oracle's recent technology-sharing and cooperative marketing agreement with Stratus Computer, Inc.

Oracle also announced plans to market application development tools, such as Oracle FinancialsTM, and networking products with Stratus in the coming months.

These Oracle products will be available on the full range of Stratus XA 2000 Continuous Processing Systems, including the recently announced Stratus mainframes.

ORACLE Version 6.0 with the transaction processing option is the high-performance, on-line transaction processing (OLTP) version of the ORACLE relational database management system (RDBMS). Stratus has marketed and sold earlier versions of ORACLE for Stratus VOS since 1985; however, Version 6.0 is the first product jointly developed, marketed, sold and supported by the two companies.

The high-performance, multi-server characteristics of ORACLE Version 6.0, combined with Stratus' multi-processing architecture, will support high-volume transactions. The linear scalability of ORACLE's multi-server architecture and Stratus' multi-processor architecture together provide users with an easy growth path to higher levels of performance and support increased numbers of users. Stratus users can increase RDBMS throughput linearly by simply adding processors to their Stratus system. This incremental system growth enables users to meet higher performance and higher transaction-volume requirements cost effectively.

Stratus' broad range of connectivity options complement ORACLE's portable, open and distributed architecture. Through SQL Net, ORACLE Version 6.0 on Stratus can interface with applications on other vendors' systems across asynchronous, TCP/IP, DECnet, and NetBIOS connections. Stratus systems connected to each other by the StrataLINK local-area networking and StrataNET wide-area networking products are also supported by SQL Net.

ORACLE software is priced based on the Stratus machine size, starting at $7,000 including training. Production shipments of the ORACLE RDBMS, SQL Forms, SQL Plus, SQL Net for StrataLINK and StrataNET, and precompilers for C, COBOL, FORTRAN, PASCAL and PL/I are available now. Planned for release later this year are SQL ReportWriterTM and the PL/SQL language, and other SQL Net products for TCP/IP, NetBIOS, asynchronous and DECnet protocols. These products will be sold and supported by both Oracle and Stratus.

Oracle Corporation, headquartered in Redwood Shores, Calif., is the largest supplier of DBMS software and the third largest software and services company in the world.

Oracle develops and markets an integrated line of software products for database management, applications development, decision support and office automation, as well as families of financial and manufacturing applications packages. All Oracle products are available on PCs, minicomputers and mainframes, and ORACLE is the first and only database to run on supercomputers.

The company offers its products, along with related consulting, education and support services, in 92 countries around the world. Oracle is a publicly held corporation whose shares are traded on NASDAQ/NMS with ticker symbol ORCL.

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SANTA ANA, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. Thursday broke ground for a new multi-million-dollar Orange County headquarters facility planned for completion in a year.

The groundbreaking was highlighted by the symbolic start-up of heavy earth moving equipment and turning of the first shovel of earth by Novadyne President and Chief Executive Officer Bert J. Novak. McDonnell Douglas Realty Co. President Robert R. Young had earlier introduced guests and other speakers to celebrate the start-up of the new facility.

The heavily landscaped, futuristic-appearing structure is located at St. Andrew Place and Lyon in the city of Santa Ana.

When completed in October 1991, the new 170,000-square-feet, $25 million facility will house approximately 400 Novadyne headquarters-based employees comprising the administrative, sales and marketing, logistics and repair, finance, MIS, technical support and training organizations.

The new three-story design facility, located in the McDonnell Douglas Center, was designed by the Irvine division of Sverdrup Corp., a St. Louis-based corporation. Sverdrup will also be the engineers and general contractor of

this project. Sverdrup is one the largest engineering, design/building contractors in the United States.

For over 30 years they have designed and constructed facilities for McDonnell Douglas.

Combining energy efficiency with aesthetic design, the new facility will feature employee amenities such as employee showers and dining facilities.

McDonnell Douglas Realty Co. (MDRC), with headquarters in Irvine, is the real estate development subsidiary of McDonnell Douglas Corp., (NYSE:MD) the nation's second largest defense contractor. MDRC is involved in projects throughout the United States including such California locations as Santa Ana, Cypress, Huntington Beach, Long Beach and Irvine.

Novadyne Computer Systems' products and services are marketed nationwide to companies in all facets of commerce including aerospace, retailing, transportation, distribution, communications, health care, educational organizations and federal and local government agencies.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Litton Industries Inc. announced Thursday that Roland O. Peterson will step down as president and chief operating officer of the company effective Nov. 1, 1990.

The Litton board of directors Thursday elected Alton J. Brann, a Litton senior vice president and group executive, as his successor.

The change was made because Peterson, who has been with the company for 30 years and will be 59 in January 1991, decided to retire early in a few years. Until his retirement he will take over responsibility as senior vice president for Litton's Components and Industrial Products activities, as well as the chief scientist office, replacing Charles Bridge who retired last month.

Peterson said: ''Taking this step toward retirement has allowed the board to select my successor early, which will result in better management continuity. At the same time it enables me to continue in an operations-oriented executive capacity and as the chief scientist who coordinates technology across the corporation.''

Peterson also decided not to stand for reelection to Litton's board. The board, upon recommendation of its nominating committee, has proposed Brann for election to a corporate directorship at the annual shareholders' meeting in

December 1990.

Brann joined the company in 1973 at the Guidance & Control Systems division, one of Litton's major operations. He was named president of the division in 1983 and elected a corporate vice president in 1984.

He was appointed group executive for Navigation, Guidance & Control Systems in 1986. He was elected a corporate senior vice president in 1987 and assumed responsibility for the company's Components and Industrial Products business early in 1988.

Brann, 48, is a native of Portland, Maine, and earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics from the University of Massachusetts at Boston.

He is a member of numerous professional associations, including the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Optical Society of America and Institute of Navigation.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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PALO ALTO, CA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - University National Bank & Trust Company (NASDAQ/NMS:UNNB) reported its third quarter results. They are:

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Net Income	$827,883	$806,509
Earnings per share/a	64 cents	64 cents
Annualized Return on:		
Average Assets	1.20 pct.	1.40 pct.
Average Equity	15.48 pct.	18.57 pct.

	9 Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Net Income	$2,413,930	$2,430
Earnings per share/a	$ 1.87	$ 1.92

Annualized Return on:

Average Assets	1.19 pct.	1.45 pct.
Average Equity	15.62 pct.	18.57 pct.

a) Earnings per share for prior periods have been restated to reflect the two for one stock split effective Nov. 14, 1989.

At Close of Business, Sept. 30:

	1990	1989
Total Assets	$278,553,366	$231,086,409
Total Loans	161,994,710	140,603,696
Total Deposits	255,159,221	209,793,227
Book Value Per Share/b	$17.56	$15.61

b) Book value per share in prior period has been restated to reflect the two for one split.

Carl J. Schmitt, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, said, ''The bank is pleased with its third quarter results, which reflect the increased business activities resulting from the establishment of our Menlo-Atherton Banking Floor and our Santa Cruz Trust Office, both of which were opened during the fourth quarter of 1989.''

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - EurekaBank Thursday reported earnings of $5.4 million on assets of $1.8 billion for the quarter ending Spet. 30, 1990, up from $5.3 million for the like period in 1989.

The company's net worth reached $120 million with the earnings figure generating an annualized return on average assets of 1.24 percent. For the first nine months of 1990, EurekaBank has reported earnings of $16.4 million.

As ranked by capital strength, the Northern California-based federal savings bank maintained its position among the nation's leading financial institutions by posting capital ratios substantially above requirements for the thrift industry. EurekaBank's risk-based capital ratio stands at 13.57 percent, with its tangible capital ratio reaching 6.74 percent.

''We are delighted with our operating results, as well as with the sustained strength of our capital position,'' said Byron A. Scordelis, president and chief executive officer.

''Despite an increasingly challenging economic environment, we have been able to demonstrate sustained earnings by maintaining a focus on expense control, ensuring credit quality and continuing to seek improved ways of serving our

clients.''

With headquarters in Foster City, EurekaBank serves more than 100,000 households through its Greater Bay Area network of 35 branches.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - MIP Properties Inc. (ASE:MIP) an equity-oriented real estate investment trust advised by Koll Realty Advisors, Thursday reported financial results for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Consolidated funds available for distribution were 10 and 42 cents per share for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively, compared with 20 and 55 cents per share for the same periods in 1989.

The decreases in consolidated funds available for distribution were primarily the result of lower net interest income relating to non-earning loans, the planned lower loan volume and lower fee income.

Consolidated net income (loss) for the three months and nine months ended Sept 30, 1990, was ($64,100) and $2,001,200, or (1 cent) and 22 cents per share, respectively, compared with $1,488,400 and $3,732,500, or 17 cents and 41 cents per share, for the same periods in 1989.

The decrease in net income for the periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, was primarily the result of lower net interest income relating to non-earning loans, lower loan volume and reduced combined income from real estate operations and equity in joint venture operations.

On July 27, 1990, the company increased its ownership to 100 percent in Northbay Industrial Park Phase I. This attractive 120,480-square-foot industrial building is located in Petaluma and is substantially leased by Sola Optical USA Inc.

Results of operations of this property and Miramar D, along with the consolidated joint ventures Campus at Carlsbad and Casas Lindas are included in income from real estate operations, net.

Also, in the third quarter of 1990, results of operations from two additional equity in joint venture investments, 580 Marketplace and San Dimas Corporate Park, were included in equity in joint venture income (loss).

The Park in the Valley loan of $12.4 million, secured by 23.5 acres of land in

San Diego, continues to be classified as a non-earning loan. At the end of the third quarter, the borrowers filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the bankruptcy code.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Cincinnati Microwave Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CNMW) announced Thursday its results for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

Net sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, were $15.5 million compared to $13.0 million for the like period a year ago. The company reported a net loss of $1.3 million or 13 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990 as compared to a net loss of $974,000 or 9 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Cincinnati Microwave Inc. reported a net loss of $3.8 million or 37 cents per share on net sales of $51.9 million. During the same period one year earlier, the net loss was $746,000 or 7 cents per share on net sales of $41.3 million.

The net sales comparisons for the quarters ending Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, reflect increased revenues in the company's radar warning receiver division as well as in its Guardian Technologies Inc. (Guardian) and Cincinnati Microwave Communications Inc. (CMC) subsidiaries. These increases were partially offset by a decrease in revenues generated by the company's contract manufacturing subsidiary, CMI Technologies Inc. (CMIT).

The results of the third quarter of 1990 include an increase in earnings in the radar warning receiver division and reduced operating losses incurred by Guardian vs. the like period one year earlier. Offsetting these increases were the loss incurred by CMIT in the quarter (vs. earnings for the like quarter in the prior year) and an increase in operating losses incurred by CMC. The result was a greater loss in the third quarter of 1990 than that for the like period in the prior year.

Cincinnati Microwave Inc. and its subsidiaries manufacture and market a variety of electronic products. Cincinnati Microwave Inc.'s common shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CNMW. For additional information please contact Shareholder Relations, Cincinnati Microwave Inc., One Microwave Plaza, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45249, 513/489-5400.

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HONOLULU (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Bancorp Hawaii Inc.'s board of directors Wednesday declared a quarterly cash dividend of 41 cents per share on the outstanding common stock.

The dividend will be payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 20.

Bancorp Hawaii has assets of more than $10 billion and is the largest Hawaii-based financial organization, with more than 100 offices throughout the state, Asia and the Pacific. Its principal subsidiaries are Bank of Hawaii, FirstFed America, First National Bank of Arizona, Bancorp Finance of Hawaii and Bancorp Finance of Hawaii-Guam.

Hawaiian Trust Company Ltd., and Bancorp Leasing of Hawaii are the principal subsidiaries of Bank of Hawaii.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Dandees Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ:DANY-Z BoSE:DND) Thursday announced that in response to the recently enacted California statute restricting use of the term ''biodegradable,'' the company is in the process of modifying its labeling for its disposable diapers so that it will be in compliance as of the effective date -- Dec. 31, 1990.

''The new California statute prohibits any claim that a product is 'biodegradable' unless it has the proven capability to decompose in a landfill WITHIN ONE YEAR through natural biological processes.''

''We strongly believe that our product is environmentally beneficial and based on documented test data, has the capacity to break down in 3-5 years in active landfill. But, we do not presently have available to us the necessary verification to establish that our diapers are biodegradable within the new statutory definition,'' said Donald A. Lazar, Dandees' president, ''and will therefore modify our labeling appropriately.''

''We have been a leader in the development of 'environmentally friendly' diapers and believe that the California statute is unduly restrictive and anti-environment by restricting the marketing of products which are demonstrably beneficial to the environment. Furthermore, in order to comply fully with new state statute means that product would have to have a very short shelf life.''

''Based on test data available to the company, which has been compiled by Archer Daniels Midland Co. and other major corporations in the United States, we expect to continue to stress the environmental benefits of our multicolored diapers, which have become very popular wherever they have been sold.''

''We hope that the public along with our suppliers will continue to support us in our quest to produce products which are unquestionably more friendly to the environment than products which, when untreated, do not biodegrade for a century, or more.''

Dandees management indicated that the company will intensively monitor the marketing impact resulting from the proposed relabeling and advertising and plans to evaluate the best use of the company's resources in view of this new statute.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Teledyne Inc. (NYSE/PSE:TDY) has declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of 20 cents per common share payable Nov. 20 to shareholders of record Nov. 6.

Teledyne currently has 55,412,845 common shares outstanding.

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DALLAS (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of American Petrofina Inc., (ASE:API) meeting here Thursday, declared a quarterly dividend of 80 cents per share on the Class ''A'' and Class ''B'' common stock of the company.

The dividend is payable Dec. 14, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 3, 1990.

American Petrofina Inc. through its main operating subsidiary, Fina Oil and Chemical Company, engages in crude oil and natural gas exploration, production and marketing; petroleum products refining, supply and transportation and marketing; and chemicals manufacturing and marketing.

Organized in 1956, it is part of an international group of companies affiliated with Petrofina S.A., with headquarters in Brussels, Belgium.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Bank (OTC:UBNK) announced Oct. 24 the election of Koretsugu Kodama, 55, to its board of directors.

Kodama replaces resigning director Tasuku Takagaki, president of the Bank of Tokyo.

Kodama is resident managing director for the Americas and chairman of The Bank of Tokyo Trust Co., New York. A graduate of Keio University's Faculty of Law, he began his career with The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd., in 1957.

He has held a variety of management positions, including general manager of the Kuala Lumpur, London and Marunouchi offices. He has also been managing director and general manager of one of Bank of Tokyo's corporate banking divisions. Kodama resides in New York.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Questar Corp. (NYSE:STR) Board of Directors today approved a 49 cent-per-share quarterly dividend on the company's common stock.

Payment of the company's 184th consecutive dividend will be Dec. 17, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 23, 1990. The dividend is the same as the previous quarter's and 1 cent-per-share higher than a year earlier.

Questar subsidiary Mountain Fuel Supply Co. also declared dividends on two series of preferred stock: $2 per share on the 8 percent series and $2.15625 per share on the $8.625 series. The dividends are payable Jan. 2, 1991, to holders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

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PORTLAND, Ore. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - North American lumber will be banned

from entry into member countries of the European Community (E.C.) as of Jan. 1 1991, unless the stock is kiln dried.

Or unless a short term exception is agreed to by the E.C. itself, and only then if the ''green'' lumber has been inspected under approved procedures to assure an absence of bark and grub holes. And even then each E.C. member country may still permit landing of only kiln dried lumber.

''Despite rumors to the contrary, that is the way the matter stands on Oct. 25 '' reported H.A. Roberts, president of the Western Wood Products Association (WWPA).

The E.C. action is intended to prevent the import into Western Europe of the pine wood nematode, which forestry people there say could damage the continent's forests. An eelworm of microscopic dimension, the nematode is carried into wood by a species of beetles. Though the nematodes then disperse throughout the tree, they cannot escape the wood without a beetle to carry them out.

Unless requirements somehow are relaxed in the interim, Roberts warned that shipments of green lumber that arrive at European ports after Dec. 31 are at risk of being refused.

''At this moment, we cannot advise anyone to make shipments who cannot be assured of landing by that date,'' he said.

The U.S. government has been working with the United Kingdom to obtain a one-year derogation (exception) to the green lumber ban similar to that already negotiated by the Canadians, Roberts said. The U.K., in turn, is recommending an E.C. derogation be approved for the United States. Originally it was hoped the derogation request and acceptance would become effective on Jan. 1, simultaneous with the E.C. law, but delays have prevented it.

''Our government's paperwork arrived here just yesterday,'' Roberts reported. ''Based upon the time required for the Canadians, and assuming all hurdles are cleared between now and the year's end, we could have a derogation by March.''

During the derogation period, stringent inspection procedures would be implemented to prevent any shipment of lumber with bark or with grub holes. However, this would allow qualifying U.S. shipments to continue into Europe while providing time to work out alternatives to the time-consuming and costly kiln drying treatment.

''The irony is that kiln drying to sterilize wood for this purpose is an expensive overkill,'' Roberts said. ''No bark and no holes means no beetles. Even if nematodes are present in wood clean of bark and holes, they cannot escape. So they cannot be a threat.''

Should the derogation be allowed by the E.C. itself, its member countries each still have the right to enforce bans on their own imports anyway, Roberts said.

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SEBASTOPOL. Calif. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Vacu-dry Co., one of California's largest volume apple processors, Thursday announced financial results for the first quarter of the company's 1990-91 fiscal year.

Vacu-dry Co. finished the quarter ended Sept. 30 with total revenues of $4,836,000 and net earnings of $32,000, or approximately 2 cents per share on 1,668,171 average shares outstanding. These results compare with revenues of $6,472,000 and net earnings of $33,000, or 2 cents per share, on 1,668,171 average shares outstanding for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The lower revenues are a result of the sale of the applesauce and apple juice business to Knouse Foods Cooperative Inc., in February of 1990.

As of Sept. 30, the company had an unshipped backlog of $9,716,000, which compares to $15,962,000 as of Sept. 30, 1989.

Vacu-dry Co.
Three months ended

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30 1989
Revenues	$ 4,836,000	$ 6,472,000
Earnings before taxes	54,000	62,000
Income tax provision	22,000	29,000
Net earnings	$ 32,000	$ 33,000
Earnings per common share	2 cents	2 cents
Average common shares outstanding	1,668,171	1,668,171

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SANTA MONICA, Calif. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Oppenheimer Industries Inc. (the ''Company'')(ASE:OPP) Thursday announced that on Oct. 16, 1990, the company's wholly owned subsidiary, The Armendaris Corp. (''Armendaris''), was served with a lawsuit by The Travelers Insurance Co. (''Travelers'').

The complaint filed by Travelers alleges, among other things, Armendaris' failure to make payments due under a loan from Travelers and seeks foreclosure of the Armendaris Ranch in New Mexico and a judgment against Armendaris.

Travelers alleged in the complaint that the total amount owed to it includes outstanding principal of $6,041,700 and accrued interest of $558,572.17, as of Oct. 11, 1990.

As previously announced, on Sept. 6, 1990, the company received notice from Travelers that, as a result of failure to make the payments due on the company's loan from Travelers, Travelers has accelerated all sums due it pursuant to the terms of the loan.

The company also announced that the acceleration by Travelers of the maturity of all amounts due may be deemed to be an event of default by Meyers Investments Inc. (''Meyers''). Meyers has furnished to the company a $10 million revolving credit facility pursuant to a commitment which was delivered to the company on July 3, 1990 (''Commitment'').

If Meyers concludes that an event of default has occurred, it would have the right to refuse to fund any amounts under the Commitment.

The company and Armendaris, together with counsel, are evaluating Travelers' allegations and options available to the company and Armendaris.

Oppenheimer Industries is an American Stock Exchange company with real estate holdings in Missouri, California and New Mexico.

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SAN RAFAEL, Calif. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - At the regular meeting of the board of directors of Westamerica Bancorporation (ASE:WAB) on Thursday, Oct. 25, the directors declared a cash dividend of 11 cents per share on all of the outstanding common stock of the corporation, payable Feb. 13, 1991, to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Jan. 18, 1991.

Westamerica Bancorporation, with $1.4 billion in assets, is the parent company of Westamerica Bank. The bank operates 36 offices in nine Northern California counties.

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SAN JOSE, Calif. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - International CMOS Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:ICTI) - common stock, (NASDAQ:ICTIW) - warrants, Thursday announced that the company will not be able to make the payment of principal and interest on its convertible debentures due Nov. 1, 1990.

As of Nov. 1, the debentures of $2.84 million in principal amount will have accrued $142,700 in interest. The company will be making an offer to the holders of the convertible debentures to restructure the obligation.

The company's chairman and chief executive officer, Drew Osterman, said that lower sales in the fourth quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, had contributed to company's present inability to make the payments.

''We expect that sales for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, will be about 8 percent less than sales for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, and 45 percent less than sales for the third quarter ended June 29, 1990.

''The company will need to delay payment of the debentures, and is also negotiating with its primary trade creditor, Gould Semiconductor Division, American Microsystems Inc., restructure of its current obligations.

''We have also been actively pursuing discussions with Hyundai Electronics America Inc., as well as some other companies, to provide additional funding to the company.

The drop in fourth-quarter sales was due largely to slowed release of orders by a major customer, and a general softening of demand in the semiconductor market. This customer has now resumed releasing significant orders.''

On a positive note, according to Osterman, there are several exciting developments within the company. ''The first is our new PEEL-array family of products that show what can happen when you follow your instincts instead of following the competition.

''Three years ago, we set out to build a new breed of logic devices -- A new Benchmark. The results of our efforts have been rewarded with an advance in the state-of-the-art.''

The speed and exceptional architectural flexibility of these devices have already captured the attention of the marketplace, earning accolades as the best integrated circuit introduced in the market during 1989 out of 100 cited by Electronic Design magazine.

The potential revenue from the first device in the family could exceed the company's earlier sales forecast for the first PEEL-array during 1991 by several times.

International CMOS Technology Inc. designs, develops and markets user-programmable logic and memory devices. The company's CMOS process technology offers the advantages of high-speed, low power consumption and re-programmability.

These features allow the customer to reduce size, power supply and cooling requirements, and allow the producer to test each unit for defects before release.

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MENLO PARK, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Raychem Corp. Thursday reported first-quarter fiscal 1991 net income of $3.3 million, or 9 cents per share, vs. $4.8 million, or 14 cents per share, in the comparable period in the prior year.

Sales increased 21 percent to $292 million from $242 million in the comparable period of fiscal 1990. The quarter's sales results would have been lower by $24 million had currency exchange rates remained unchanged from the first quarter of 1990.

Operating expenses for the quarter decreased as a percent of sales to 46 percent from 50 percent a year ago. Raychem's pretax income, excluding the effect of Raynet, increased to $29 million vs. $22 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Including Raynet, pretax income was $11 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 and $9 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. The company's annual effective tax rate increased to 70 percent from 43 percent in the previous year's first quarter as a result of strong operating performance outside of the United States coupled with continuing net losses in the United States.

Raychem's gross profit margin was 51 percent compared to 54 percent in the first quarter fiscal 1990 and 48 percent in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990.

Shipments in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 improved over the prior year's first quarter in all three of Raychem's major segments -- electronics ($115 million vs. $102 million); industrial ($91 million vs. $77 million); and telecommunications ($84 million vs. $61 million). First-quarter orders were ahead of shipments in the company's electronics and industrial segments and approximately equal to shipments in the telecommunications segment.

Raychem is a broadly based materials science company serving international markets. The company develops and supplies high- performance products for the aerospace, automotive, construction, electronics, electrical power, process and telecommunications industries.

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert A. Carlson, president and chief executive officer, North Atlantic Industries, Inc. (NATL/NASDAQ) today announced record third quarter and first nine month results for the period ended September 30, 1990.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $528,000 or $0.15 per share, compared to a net loss of $3,030,000 or ($0.85) per share in the third quarter of 1989. Revenues for the quarter increased 21% to $9.3 million compared with $7.7 million during the third quarter of last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $2,160,000 or $0.61 per share as compared to a net loss of $2,368,000 for the first nine months of 1989. Revenues for the nine months increased 17% to $30.0 million compared with $25.7 million in the first nine months of last year. The Company recorded a charge of $3.2 million in the third quarter of 1989 to reflect the costs of a restructuring plan and a terminated merger transaction.

Income before income taxes and special charges for the third quarter of 1990 increased 182% to $622,000, compared with $220,000 in the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990 income before income taxes and special charges rose 143% to $2,542,000 compared with $1,048,000 in 1989.

The improvement in earnings resulted in part from increased sales and also from the cost reductions achieved through the Company's restructuring activity noted above. The increase in sales for both the quarter and year-to-date is attributable to increased shipments of military products Carlson commented, ''Our operating performance continues to match expectations and, with our quarter-end backlog at $22.5 million, I expect our improved performance to continue into 1991.''

North Atlantic Industries designs, manufactures and markets computer, computer peripheral, communications and instrumentation products to government and aerospace industry customers. The Company is a leading supplier of TEMPEST printers, MIL-SPEC teleprinters and tape storage systems, as well as phase sensitive instruments.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Uniteq Application Systems Inc. introduced its Distribution and Logistics Management (DLM) System for process manufacturing industries Thursday.

DLM is the first offering in Uniteq's architecture of UNIX-based enterprise-wide solutions.

Uniteq's DLM system is designed for process manufacturers, supports global distribution and logistics management, and integrates with other Uniteq or third party applications.

Separate modules address Warehouse and Distribution Center Management, Traffic and Transportation, Distribution Requirements Planning, and Sales Order Management.

All are designed for multiple facilities, provide cost or service-based optimization, and accommodate Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) as required.

Increasing competitive pressures have been forcing manufacturers to reduce the overall cost of doing business and to significantly improve customer service.

This requires the sharing of corporate data among functional areas, such as marketing, manufacturing, distribution, etc., as well as among dispersed physical locations, such as production plants, warehouses and headquarter offices.

Information must support consistent decision making throughout the entire organization at the strategic, operational and tactical levels. This business challenge has created the need for the establishment of a distributed, enterprise-wide information infrastructure.

Uniteq Application Systems Inc. develops, markets and implements enterprise-wide Unix-based Computer Integrated Manufacturing software solutions. Uniteq's applications are specifically designed for process manufacturing industries and can be easily configured for implementation purposes.

Uniteq is a privately held company founded in 1989. The company is located in Santa Clara.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Bank (OCT/UBNK) announced Oct. 24 that Taisuke Shimizu, 54, has been elected president and chief executive officer. Shimizu has been vice chairman and chief financial officer since 1988.

As previously announced, Shimizu replaces Seishichi Itoh, 55, who is returning to The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd., as senior managing director after more than five years as president of Union Bank. Itoh engineered the bank's growth to the fifth largest commercial bank in California.

Shimizu commented that, ''Mr. Itoh helped the bank grow to more than $16 billion in assets and is leaving it in sound financial condition. While we are not planning any major changes in direction, we will keep on course in expanding our retail branch network.''

Shimizu was a key member of the management team that oversaw the acquisition of Union Bank in 1988 by California First Bank, which retained the Union Bank name.

Shimizu began his career with The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd., in 1959 and has held senior management positions in Tokyo, Europe and the United States. He joined California First Bank in 1985 as executive vice president, chief financial officer and head of the administration group. In 1987, he returned to Japan as general manager of the Bank of Tokyo's overseas division before resuming his former posts at California First in June 1988. He was named vice chairman in October 1988.

Also on October 24, the bank's board of directors elected Kanetaka Yoshida, 52 to replace Shimizu as vice chairman and chief financial officer. Yoshida started his career with The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd., in 1962 and has wide experience in such areas as international investments, loan administration and planning. From 1978 to 1983, he was a senior vice president in California First Bank's Office of the President and Corporate Banking Group. He has also served as general manager of the Bank of Tokyo's Jakarta office.

Union Bank, headquartered in San Francisco, has 177 offices throughout the state and five facilities overseas.

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MILPITAS, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Quantum Corp. (OTC:QNTM) announced Wednesday that Hewlett-Packard Co. has selected two of Quantum's high capacity 3-1/2-inch ProDrive Series disk drives for use in several models of the HP Vectra PC line of industry-standard personal computers.

The Quantum ProDrive 120AT and 170AT are currently being used in various 286, 386 and 486 models of the HP Vectra line of personal computer systems.

''The combination of Quantum and HP-produced disk drives provides our customers with a broad range of complementary, high quality, mass storage solutions,'' said William J. Toney, general manager, California Personal Computer Division.

Hewlett-Packard's Disk Mechanism Division in Boise, Idaho provides drives with 330 and 670 megabytes of formatted capacity for high performance HP Vectra PC systems in applications demanding large amounts of data storage.

The ProDrive disk drives chosen by Hewlett-Packard provide 120 and 168 megabytes of formatted capacity and embedded AT-Bus controllers. These drives feature and average seek time of less than 15 milliseconds and Quantum's proprietary DisCache firmware for even faster data retrieval.

According to David A. Brown, Quantum vice chairman and chief operating officer Quantum has been supplying Hewlett-Packard with entry-level capacity 42 and 84 megabyte hard drives since early 1990.

Since its founding in 1980, Quantum has emerged as a leading independent manufacturer of reliable, high-performance, mass storage systems for business, engineering, and scientific computing. The publicly held company offers products designed for desktop workstation; personal computer; and laptop, notebook, and portable computer applications.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. Hewlett-Packard has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

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COLUMBUS, GA. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Oct. 25, 1990, Carmike Cinemas, Inc. (NASDAQ:CMIKA) today announced results for the third quarter and nine month periods ended September 30, 1990.

For the quarter ended September 30, 1990, total revenues increased 19 percent to $38,706,000 from $32,622,000 for the quarter ended September 30, 1989. Operating income for the quarter was $7,893,000, compared with $8,189,000 in the prior year.

The Company's net income was $3,013,000, or $0.40 per fully diluted share compared to $3,779,000 or $0.55 in the comparable quarter of last year. Weighted average common shares outstanding on a fully diluted basis for the three months ended September 30, 1990 and 1989 were 7,514,296 and 7,498,743, respectively.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, total revenues increased 24 percent to $94,020,000 from $75,946,000 for the nine months of 1989. Operating income was $14,908,000 compared to $14,320,000 in the first nine months of last year.

The Company's net income was $5,341,000, or $0.71 per fully diluted share compared to $5,297,000 or $0.84 in the comparable quarter of last year. Weighted average common shares outstanding on a fully diluted basis for the three months ended September 30, 1990 and 1989 were 7,554,255 and 7,484,894, respectively.

Commenting on the results, President and Chief Executive Officer Michael Patrick stated, ''Although the 1990 summer motion picture season lacked the blockbusters of 1989 P Indiana Jones And The Last Crusade, Batman, and Lethal Weapon II P Carmike's after tax cash flow for the nine months increased by more than 18 percent. We look forward to the traditionally strong holiday season which this year sports an exceptional slate of motion pictures, including Godfather III, Three Men And A Little Lady, The Russia House and Look Who's Talking Too.''

Carmike Cinemas is the fifth largest motion picture exhibitor in the United States, and is the leading exhibitor in the southern United States in terms of number of screens and theatres operated.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxim Integrated Products reported record sales of $17,317,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, a 41 percent increase over the $12,251,000 for this period a year ago.

Net income of $2,270,000 (or 17 cents per share) for the quarter marked the 18th consecutive increasingly profitable quarter for Maxim and represented a 36 percent gain over the $1,664,000 (or 13 cents per share) for the like quarter in fiscal 1990.

Return on equity for the quarter was 23.2 percent, up 0.6 percentage points from 22.6 percent for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1989. Operating income for the quarter was 21.2 percent of sales, continuing to be one of the industry's highest.

Jack Gifford, president and chief executive officer, commented: ''During the first quarter of fiscal '91, we generated net cash flow from operating activities of $2.8 million. This cash was utilized in part to eliminate a $2.5 million short term bank loan used to acquire our new wafer fabrication facility.

''This leaves Maxim's balance sheet healthy, with no short term bank loans and a debt to equity ratio of approximately 0.5. Furthermore, we have a credit facility available for up to $5.0 million and can borrow under that line of credit on a short term revolving basis and on a long term basis secured by our Sunnyvale facilities which are owned by Maxim and are unemcumbered by debt.

''We continue to focus major resources on new product development and expect to introduce approximately 30 new products during the first six months of fiscal 1991.

''A growing awareness of the Maxim brand was confirmed recently in an industry survey conducted by 'EE Times' that place Maxim first in technological innovation among all analog companies.

''This heightened awareness has reached the financial community as well and is evidenced by Maxim's inclusion in both 'Business Week' (5/21/90) and 'Forbes' (upcoming issue date, 11/12/90) as one of the outstanding companies in the United States.

Maxim Integrated Products is a leading international supplier of quality analog products for applications that require real world signal processing.

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IRVINE, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - BoMed Medical Manufacturing Ltd. (NASDAQ:BOMD) Thursday announced that it has signed a three-year private label agreement with AVL Medical Instruments AG, a Schaffhausen, Switzerland-based manufacturer of blood gas equipment.

Under the terms of the agreement, BoMed will provide its CardioDynamic Data Processing (CDDP) system to AVL, which will market the system under its own label throughout the world.

The CDDP system is a real-time, non-invasive hemodynamic patient-management and monitoring system that uses electrical bioimpedance to measure the patient's hemodynamic parameters -- global blood flow and mean arterial blood pressure.

The system measures a patient's hemodynamics by using electronic data gathered by strategically placed electrodes, which use the patient's thorax as a transducer.

''We're pleased to be a part of AVL's extensive world distribution network, which includes more than 100 locations worldwide,'' said Hevka Sramek, president of BoMed. ''This is a tremendous opportunity for thousands of hospitals to take advantage of the clinical and cost-saving benefits of hemodynamic patient management.''

BoMed's expected revenues under the agreement could reach as much as $3 million over the next three years, Sramek said.

The CDDP system is considered a safer, non-invasive alternative to invasive procedures, and its numerous applications range from preoperative assessment to intraoperative and postoperative patient management in intensive care, cardiology, OB/GYN, anesthesia, hypertension and others.

BoMed, located in Irvine, is a leader in the field of non-invasive cardiodynamic patient management and monitoring. The company develops, manufactures and markets technically advanced instruments for a broad range of patient and therapeutic management and monitoring applications.

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EINDHOVEN, THE NETHERLANDS (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - In the period January-September 1990 Philips achieved sales of f 39,472 million, 1 per cent less than in the corresponding period of 1989.

Disregarding the effect of changes in consolidations and exchange rate movements, sales rose by 7 per cent. Before the deduction of restructuring costs, income from operations in this period amounted to f 1,550 million (f 1,826 million in 1989).

After allowing for a restructuring provision of f 2,261 million, most of which was set aside in the third quarter for the program aimed at restoring the information systems and integrated circuits businesses to profitability announced earlier this year, there was a negative operating result of f 711 million.

The negative balance of financial income and expenses amounted to f 1,293 million (f 991 million in January-september 1989). Philips's net loss in the period January- September 1990 was f 1,786 million (net income January-September 1989 f 685 million).

Sales in the lighting sector totaled f 5,161 million, 6 per cent less than in January-September 1989. When adjusted for exchange rate movements, sales in this sector rose by 1 per cent. The sector's income from operations amounted to f 399 million (f 574 million in the corresponding period of 1989).

Sales in the consumer products sector increased by 9 per cent to f 17,475 million, while income from operations (excl. restructuring) totaled f 1,122 million (f 818 million in January-September 1989).

Sales in the professional products and systems sector amounted to f 9,217 million, 13 per cent less than in 1989. Excluding deconsolidations and exchange rate movements, this sector's sales were higher than in January-September 1989. The sector's operating result was negative, amounting to (excl. restructuring) -f 48 million (a positive operating result of f 114 million in 1989).

The sales figure for the components sector was f 6,162 million, 7 per cent more than the comparable figure in 1989. The sector achieved an operating income (excl. restructuring) of f 14 million (f 39 million in 1989). The decline was mainly due to lower earnings caused by exchange rate movements.

At the end of September 1990 Philips's total liabilities and provisions amounted to 69.9 per cent of capital employed. The number of employees had fallen since January 1, 1990 by 9,400 to 285,700. Note for editors:

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BLUE BELL, PA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Bioscience Inc. (ASE:UBS), a pharmaceutical company specializing in the development and commercialization of anticancer compounds, Thursday announced that U.S. patent number 4,957,481 for photodynamic therapy was issued.

Exclusive rights to the patent, which covers the delivery of a light-sensitive drug directly into a tumor, were assigned to U.S. Bioscience by the inventor in 1987.

The patent claims a method of reducing the severity of symptoms resulting from the presence of a tumor by: (1) the injection of an effective amount of photosensitive compound directly into the tumor; (2) insertion of a sheathed light source capable of emitting light at a wavelength absorbed by the tumor; and (3) the activation of the light source so that the light is absorbed by the photosensitive compound, thereby disrupting the tumor cell and reducing the severity of tumor-induced symptoms.

Photodynamic therapy is an emerging form of cancer treatment in which a photosensitive agent is concentrated within a localized tumor and, upon exposure to light, releases a toxic form of oxygen known as singlet oxygen. Singlet oxygen, in turn, destroys the cell membrane of tumor cells.

To date about 6,000 patients have been treated with PDT. Although some impressive results have been reported, two major problems have impeded greater usage of this type of therapy: the method of administration and the chemical features of photosensitizers currently available.

Historically, the photosensitizer has been administered intravenously. This results in distribution of the drug throughout the body, thereby sensitizing the normal skin to sunlight and requiring patients to remain ''out of'' sunlight for periods of four to six weeks. The second problem involves properties of the photosensitizer, such as wavelength of light absorption, avidity to light and chemical purity.

According to Philip S. Schein, M.D., chairman and president of U.S. Bioscience: ''The intratumoral injection of the photosensitizing agent allows for a much safer and more practical treatment. In addition, this provides high tissue concentrations of the photosensitizers where it is needed -- in the tumor -- while significantly reducing skin sensitization.''

Schein explained that intratumoral injection is a relatively simple out-patient procedure that has been used for treating tumors throughout the body, including the brain.

''This technique is an important step toward making PDT a viable alternative for patients with locally advanced, symptomatic tumor. U.S. Bioscience is pleased to have been assigned rights to this patent which represents an integral part of our business development strategy for photodynamic therapy of cancer.''

Schein also said U.S. Bioscience has U.S. and Japanese rights to a new photosensitizing agent, licensed from Eastman Kodak, that is currently being prepared for clinical testing under an agreement with Kodak's subsidiary, Sterling Drug.

Based in Blue Bell, Pa., U.S. Bioscience is a pharmaceutical company specializing in the development and commercialization of drugs to increase the survival and productivity of cancer patients.

The company's portfolio includes an array of compounds, some of which are in late stages of development -- one in Phase-II clinical trials, two in Phase-III clinical trials, and another with a new drug application pending with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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CUPERTINO, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Tandem Computers Inc. (NYSE:TDM) Thursday announced record revenues for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, ended Sept. 30.

Revenues for the quarter reached $506,069,000, compared with $456,162,000 posted in the comparable three-month period a year ago. Net income for the quarter was $31,834,000, or 30 cents per share, compared with $39,404,000, or 38 cents per share, recorded in the fourth quarter of the prior year.

The company reported annual revenues of $1,865,873,000, a 14 percent gain over the $1,632,522,000 recorded in fiscal 1989. Net income for the fiscal year reached $121,832,000, compared with net income in fiscal 1989 of $118,316,000. Annual earnings per share stood at $1.13, compared with $1.17 reported in fiscal 1989.

''Throughout the year, we continued strong growth in most industries and countries,'' said James G. Treybig, president and chief executive officer. ''However, we have been impacted in countries where our greatest strength is in banking and securities, bringing our revenue growth rate to a level below our goals.''

''Among our rapidly growing industries, transportation and wholesale and

retail distribution posted better than 50 percent gains for the year,'' Treybig said. ''Customers such as BI-LO Pty. Ltd., a subsidiary of Coles Meyer Ltd., one of Australia's largest retailers, contributed to annual revenue growth in the wholesale and retail industry with the fourth quarter purchase of a NonStop Cyclone system.

''A fourth quarter sale to a new customer, Northwest Airlines, contributed to annual revenue growth in the transportation industry.''

Tandem Computers Inc. manufactures and markets fault tolerant computer systems online transaction processing systems and enterprise networks. The company is headquartered at 19333 Vallco Parkway, Cupertino, Calif. 95014, 408/725-6000.

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DENVER (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The Exeter Group Wednesday announced the execution of agreements to acquire the Pinseeker Golf Corp. and Larlen Inc., both of Santa Ana, Calif.

Pinseeker, a manufacturer of a full line of mid- to high-priced golf products, has been in business for over 18 years and generates revenues of approximately $5 million per year. Larlen Inc., which designs, imports and distributes high quality sportswear, is well-known in the golf industry for its ''Dache'' and ''Club Maui by Dache'' clothing lines.

Larlen generated sales of approximately $5 million in its most recent fiscal year ended June 30.

The purchase of Pinseeker is to be financed through a combination of cash and notes, while the acquisition of Larlen will be made pursuant to a stock exchange between Larlen and Exeter. The acquisitions are expected to close on or about Dec. 15. The indicated total value of the acquisitions is approximately $6.5 million.

Commenting on the proposed acquisitions, Robert Walter, Denver-based chairman of the board of The Exeter Group, stated, ''We at The Exeter Group are very excited about the prospect of affiliating ourselves with two of the greatest names in the golf industry today, Pinseeker and Dache.''

Remarked Jack Butler, chairman of Larlen, ''We anticipate that these acquisitions will offer numerous marketing and other opportunities for the combined companies and that these acquisitions will produce a stronger, more

diversified competitor in the golf industry as golf continues its growth and popularity in the 1990s.''

Upon closing of the acquisitions, four of the present directors of Larlen will be appointed to the board of directors of Exeter, including Leonard Jaffe, John Butler and Lawrence Spitz. Jaffe and Spitz founded Larlen in 1985, and each has had extensive experience in the garment industry for over 30 years.

The Exeter Group, which was founded in 1988, is a private investment group with principals in Los Angeles, Denver and New York.

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HOLYOKE, Mass. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Heritage Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ:HNIS) today reported a loss for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990 of $5.7 million or $ .78 per share compared to losses of $18.9 million and $8.4 million for the first and second quarters of 1990 respectively.

The loss was primarily the result of a $7.5 million provision for possible loan losses. In addition, $12.5 million in non-performing loans were charged off during the third quarter. For the nine months ended September 30, 1990 the net loss was $33.0 million or $4.53 per share compared to a net loss of $10.9 million or $1.49 per share for the same period in 1989.

At September 30, 1990, non-performing loans were $90.6 million, other real estate owned totaled $11.6 million, while in-substance foreclosures equaled $31.3 million, bringing total non-performing assets to $133.5 million. With this quarter's provision for loan losses and charge-offs, the period-end loan loss reserve was $30.1 million, representing 33.22% of non-performing loans and 22.54% of non-performing assets. Chairman Richard B. Covell commented, ''While our income statement has shown improvement over the past two quarters, the Bank's level of non-performing loans is still of primary concern and focus. If the region's economy continues to remain in difficulty, then additional losses and charge-offs will be likely in the future.''

In addition, Heritage announced that as a result of its recently completed regulatory examination by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, it is discussing arrangements with federal and state banking regulators regarding corrective measures that will be required to be taken in light of the examination report. These discussions may result in formal orders or agreements addressing, among other things, increased capital requirements or the formation of written plans of action to address non-performing and adversely classified assets. Chairman Covell stated, ''We hope that these discussions will yield measures that will strengthen Heritage and reinforce

the prudent conduct of this Company's affairs.''

Heritage today also announced further cost containment measures being taken. The Bank has petitioned the Commissioner of Banks for permission to close its branch office located at Mountain Farms Mall in Hadley. As previously announced, Heritage plans to close its Lamb Street, South Hadley office early in 1991 and is proceeding with preparations at the nearby Newton Street, South Hadley branch to accommodate the absorption of the Lamb Street customer base into that office. In the area of staff reduction, the Bank has recently eliminated ten positions, including 5 officer positions. Heritage is currently operating with 52 fewer positions, which includes the prior elimination of unfilled positions, than were planned for in the 1990 budget. Commenting on these matters, Chairman Covell stated that ''While these are difficult and painful decisions to make, the Company must forge ahead with efforts to reduce expenses and take actions designed to return this Company to profitability.''

In a related area, Heritage acted on its plans to increase its core deposit base by introducing two new deposit products during September which target distinct segments of its market area. The first, ''Basic Banking,'' is a checking account designed for the local area's large student population. The second, ''Advantage 50,'' is geared to the over 50 age group and combines both bank and non-bank products into one package. Mr. Covell remarked, ''Strengthening the Bank's local deposit base will decrease the Bank's use of less desirable funding sources. The new products have been received with enthusiasm by the communities we serve, and all sales goals for the first month have been surpassed. We are very pleased with the results of these programs so far.''

Heritage Bancorp, Inc. is the holding company of Heritage Bank for Savings, a Massachusetts-chartered FDIC-insured savings bank with assets of $1,566.1 million at September 30, 1990, operating 27 offices in western Massachusetts.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Vencor Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:VCOR) Thursday announced record third quarter results, including a threefold increase in earnings per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Earnings totaled $1,066,000, or 18 cents per share, on 6,042,000 average shares outstanding, compared with net income of $274,000, or 6 cents per share a year ago on 4,429,000 average shares.

Revenues for the third quarter were $19,979,000, up 42 percent from

$14,103,000 in the year-earlier period.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were up 39 percent to $54,752,000 compared with $39,382,000 a year ago. Net income increased to $1,977,000 compared with $573,000; and earnings per share more than doubled to 33 cents per share on 6,019,000 average shares vs. 13 cents per share on 4,375,000 average shares in the year-earlier period.

The increase in the number of shares outstanding for both the third quarter and nine months was due primarily to Vencor's public offering of 1.6 million shares in September 1989.

Vencor specializes in providing long-term hospital care for patients who suffer from catastrophic illness. The company has eleven hospitals in Arizona Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana and Texas.

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EINDHOVEN, THE NETHERLANDS (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Philips is embarked upon a major efficiency drive throughout its world-wide operations with the aim of restoring the company's profitability.

The drive will lead to a sharp reduction of costs. It is expected that the measures to be taken will result in a loss of 35,000 to 45,000 jobs at all levels of the company world-wide by the end of 1991. These measures are in addition to those announced on July 2, 1990, concerning the restructuring of loss-making activities, particularly in the fields of integrated circuits and computers, which will lead to a reduction of about 10,000 jobs, mainly in Europe.

The efficiency drive was announced by J.D. Timmer, president of Philips, at a press conference about the company's third quarterly report for 1990, which was held in Eindhoven, the Netherlands, today. Timmer also announced that, in view of the current situation at Philips, it has been decided to propose to shareholders that no dividend should be declared for 1990.

Timmer said: ''Philips' financial performance calls for drastic steps in the shortest possible time. The measures are aimed at increasing efficiency. We are going to change the way we work. This will improve our competitiveness.''

He added: ''The measures will have a profound impact on all levels of the organization world-wide and must, at the same time, lead to a more customer-oriented organization.''

''The implementation of the efficiency drive and the consequent reduction of the number of employees will be carried out in each country according to national custom and practice. In view of the extent of the reduction, Philips considers that compulsory redundancies will be unavoidable.''

Discussing the company's activities, Timmer said that Philips' group management committee will continue to examine the future of those activities which are not meeting the company's profitability standards. This review could lead to an increase of the restructuring provision chargeable to the 1990 accounts and might, therefore, influence the net results to a further extent than the measures announced on July 2. However, Timmer could not yet say if, and to what extent, this would be the case.

Going into more detail on the settlement in the class action filed by American shareholders, Timmer reviewed the financial information process which took place at the beginning of this year. He also answered questions on this subject which, in view of the class action, could not be answered at the annual general meeting of Philips' shareholders on July 2.

Philips is a global company active in diverse fields of electronics and lighting, with industrial activities in 45 countries and sales and service organizations in practically every country in the world. In 1989, the company's sales amounted to 57.2 billion Dutch guilders (27 billion U.S. dollars).

On September 30, 1990, Philips employed 285,700 people world-wide.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - More than 100 city and state officials, including Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley, will join United Airlines Chairman and President Stephen M. Wolf and the company's employees for the grand opening of United's new $25 million Chicago Regional Reservations Center near O'Hare International Airport.

''This grand opening today is another highlight in what can only be described as perhaps the most exciting 11 days in United's history,'' said Wolf. ''In the last week and a half, we announced the largest widebody order in the history of commercial aviation. We won the right to fly non-stop between Chicago and Tokyo and Washington and Madrid.

''This week we reached an agreement in principle with Pan American World Airways to acquire their rights to fly to London's Heathrow Airport from five cities in the United States -- New York, Washington, San Francisco, Los

Angeles and Seattle -- and to acquire Pan Am's Washington Dulles-Paris route and certain other assets.

This transaction will more than triple United's number of non-stop flights to European destinations.

''Today we are showing the world our state-of-the-art reservations center, which by the time it is fully operational in 1993, will employ more than 2,000 people -- more than double the size of the workforce today,'' he added.

The grand opening ceremonies will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the newly- opened, 120,000-square-foot complex located at 11555 West Touhy Avenue, near the north boundary of O'Hare. United currently employs 900 people at the reservations facility.

United currently has nine domestic reservations centers and 15 reservations and ticket sales offices in Europe, the Pacific and Mexico.

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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - OFFICE PRODUCTS OF AMERICA, INC. (NASDAQ Symbols: OPOAA, OPOAW & OPOAU) Thursday announced the successful grand opening of its sixth ''Office Stop'' office supply warehouse store.

Located at 11000 Roosevelt Boulevard in Philadelphia, Pa., the new warehouse is the company's first in Pennsylvania. The store occupies approximately 30,000 square feet and represents an expansion of a former Crazy Eddie store.

Commenting on the announcement, Thomas Klimback, president and chief executive officer of OFFICE PRODUCTS OF AMERICA, INC., said, ''The Philadelphia Office Stop is the Company's sixth store and the third to open in the past two weeks. Two stores opened on October 18, one in Towson, Maryland., and one in Glen Burnie, Maryland. OFFICE PRODUCTS OF AMERICA has now exceeded its original goal of opening five stores by the end of 1990. The Company expects to open a seventh store in Warwick, Rhode Island in November.''

Klimback continued, ''Each new store opening enhances recognition of the Office Stop name and helps build consumer awareness of our everyday low prices on top quality office products.''

OFFICE PRODUCTS OF AMERICA, INC. operates ''Office Stop'' warehouses offering general office supplies, office equipment, office furniture and other

business-related products at discounts of 30 percent to 70 percent below manufacturers' suggested retail list prices. The company plans to open Office Stop warehouses throughout the New England, Middle Atlantic and selected South Atlantic states.

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MILFORD, CT (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - BIC Corporation for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990, reported net income of $6,189,000, or $.51 per share compared with $5,599,000, or $.46 per share, in the same period last year.

Net income in the 1990 third quarter included an extraordinary gain of $464,000, or $.04 per share, due to the utilization of a Mexican tax-loss carry-forward. Sales for the quarter were $87,725,000 compared with $84,531,000.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $19,807,000, or $1.63 per share, compared with net income of $19,771,000, or $1.63 per share in the same period a year ago. Net income in the 1990 period included an extraordinary gain of $962,000, or $.08 per share. Sales for the nine months were $258,665,000 compared with $260,411,000.

Commenting on the third-quarter results, Bruno Bich, president, said, ''In the third quarter our U.S. operations continued their strong performances in writing instruments and shavers, each experiencing increases in unit and dollar sales as well as profits. However, these increases were more than offset by a significant sales and earnings decline in lighters. Earnings comparisons also benefited from reduced losses in BIC Sport and perfume.

''Writing instruments benefited from line extensions of existing products such as our 'Hot Stic' pens, as well as substantial growth in 'Brite Liner' highlighters and 'Clic Stic' pens. The growth in sales of shavers was accompanied by higher profit margins despite increased advertising expenditures. We are currently introducing 'Pastel Shavers', a metal shaver line extension designed for women. Lighters continued to be negatively affected by the decline in the number of smokers in the U.S. and, to a greater extent, by the continued impact of low-quality, inexpensive lighters being imported from the Far East.''

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Warrantech Corp.'s (NASDAQ:WTEC), wholly owned subsidiary Warrantech Dealer Based Services Inc. (WDBS) announced Thursday that it has signed a contract with Avis Rent a Car System, of Garden City, N.Y., whereby WDBS will be the administrator of vehicle service contracts sold by Avis through their Avis Buyer Satisfaction Plan.

Joel San Antonio, chairman of Warrantech, stated: ''This is the second national account WDBS has signed since we acquired them last year. BMW of North America signed a contract with WDBS earlier this year. Our agreement with Avis is for successive one-year periods and is nationwide in scope, except for Florida.''

Edward Gitlitz, vice president of car sales for Avis said: ''We were most impressed with the administrative expertise at WDBS and the company's ability to respond to our particular needs in such a precise and professional manner. After reviewing several potential options, we believe that Warrantech provides the ultimate in service contract administration services.''

David Robertson, president of WDBS said: ''Based upon our review of Avis' records, service contracts on cars sold by Avis have generated revenues of approximately $10 million annually. Consequently, if this trend continues, this contract represents a significant source of potential new revenues for WDBS.''

Warrantech administers service contracts for consumer electronic products, appliances and home office equipment. Through WDBS, the company administers service contracts for automobiles and recreational vehicles.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Trenwick Group Inc. reported earnings of 65 cents per share in the third quarter of 1990, an increase of 18 percent compared to earnings per share of 55 cents in the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings per share of $1.83 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 17 percent compared to $1.57 in 1989.

Consolidated net income of $4.4 million in the third quarter of 1990 increased 5 percent compared to consolidated net income of $4.2 million in the third

quarter of 1989.

Consolidated net income of $12.9 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30 increased 8 percent compared to $12 million for the first nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Trenwick's net income for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 includes a fresh start benefit of $85,000, or 1 cent per share and $236,000, or 3 cents per share, respectively.

Fresh start benefits of $61,000, or 1 cent per share and $348,000, or 5 cents per share were included in the company's net income for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, respectively.

Trenwick Group Inc.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)
(in thousands except per share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net premiums written	$ 24,611	$ 20,810	$ 71,143	$ 73,361
Earned premiums	$ 24,621	$ 20,492	$ 73,002	$ 74,673
Net investment income	6,928	6,263	20,030	17,852
Realized investment gains (losses)	(5)	325	119	450
Service fees	141	32	218	147
Total revenues	31,685	27,112	93,369	93,122
Losses and loss expense incurred	18,340	14,660	54,439	54,737
Policy acquisition costs	5,928	5,196	16,279	16,809
Underwriting expenses	2,326	2,089	7,232	6,809
Interest expense	178	209	534	579
Total losses and expenses	26,772	22,154	78,484	78,934
Income before income taxes	4,913	4,958	14,885	14,188
Income taxes	534	806	1,948	2,174
Net income	$ 4,379	$ 4,152	$ 12,937	$ 12,014
Earnings per common share	$ .65	$ .55	$ 1.83	$ 1.57
Dividends per common share	$ .12	$ .09	$ .33	$ .21

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HORSHAM, PA. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanta Corp. (NASDAQ:ADVN) Thursday announced record earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 with net income

of $3.9 million or 42 cents per share.

These results reflect a 47 percent increase from the comparable quarter in 1989 which yielded net income of $2.7 million or 26 cents per share. Extraordinary income in 1989's third quarter was $2.2 million or 22 cents per share, primarily attributable to the repurchase of debt.

Richard Greenawalt, president and chief operating officer commented, ''We are very pleased with our results thus far this year. Of particular note is that we were able to achieve these record results while continuing to strengthen our reserves as a precautionary measure in light of recessionary pressures. We remain confident that 1990 will be another year of record earnings and look ahead to 1991 to continue to build the earnings and capital base of the company.''

Earnings were up on a year-to-date basis as well for the quarter. Net income before extraordinary income was $10.9 million or $1.14 per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30 versus $7.5 million or 78 cents per share for the comparable 1989 period. Extraordinary income for the 1989 nine-month period was $3.3 million or 24 cents per share.

Advanta continued to leverage its revenue generating capacity with net revenues up 58 percent in the third quarter versus a year ago. This increase was well above the 32 percent growth in average gross receivables over the same period. Meanwhile, the company realized further improvements in operating expenses, with the operating expense ratio declining to 4.1 percent in the third quarter of 1990 versus 5.3 percent a year ago.

Despite recessionary pressures, no material deterioration has occurred in the asset quality of the credit card portfolio. Nonperforming credit card receivables (including off-balance sheet serviced portfolios) as a percentage of gross receivables moved up just slightly to 1 percent at Sept. 30 from .9 percent last quarter.

Advanta Corp. is a financial services holding company which services assets in excess of $2.3 billion at Sept. 30. Through subsidiaries, the company markets credit cards, home equity loans, equipment leases and deposit products to consumers nationwide.

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TORRANCE, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Sunrise Medical Inc. (NASDAQ:SNMD) announced Thursday record sales and earnings for the first quarter ended Sept.

28, 1990.

Sales accelerated 23 percent to $48.1 million in the quarter, the highest rate of internal growth in the company's history. Expenses were well controlled, causing net income to increase to $1.7 million, 98 percent over the prior year. Earnings per share of 32 cents (fully diluted) advanced 68 percent from last year's figure of 19 cents.

This was the seventh consecutive quarter of record sales and earnings vs. the comparable prior-year period. Over that time, earnings gains have averaged more than 50 percent per quarter.

Sales of Rehabilitation Products increased 31 percent this quarter, led by custom wheelchairs in both the United States and Europe, which together were up over 40 percent. Sales and profit comparisons in this segment were also helped by favorable foreign exchange rates. Sales of Recovery Products were up 14 percent, led by continued vigorous growth in our therapeutic mattress products line.

''In both our Rehabilitation and Recovery groups, operating expense growth was kept well below the revenue advance, yielding improved operating margins,'' stated Richard H. Chandler, chairman and president, Sunrise Medical Inc. ''Our corporate operating margin rose to 9.1 percent this year from 8.2 percent last year. Meanwhile, interest expense dropped 18 percent. The result was a marked improvement in our net income margin, one of our key financial objectives for fiscal 1991.''

Sunrise Medical designs, manufactures and markets internationally medical products used in the rehabilitation and recovery phases of patient care. Products include custom manual and power wheelchairs, ambulatory and bath safety aids, patient room beds and furnishings and specialty mattresses for the management of pressure sores. Sunrise products are designed to meet the needs of three customer groups: the disabled, the geriatric and the bed-confined patient.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix-based America West Airlines announced that it has begun to offer a new discounted one-way ticket for many travelers headed to/from Phoenix or Las Vegas.

The new fares are 25 percent below the full fare coach price. The ticket requires a four day advance purchase.

Marilyn Hoppe, vice president of pricing and revenue management for the airline said, ''Quite frankly, we are offering these fares because we believe that in some cases, the industry's unrestricted one-way fares have actually risen too much.'' She continued, ''The cities where these new fares are being offered did not have discounted one-way tickets.''

''Businesses normally will cutback on travel expenses during a soft economy. We believe that America West will be able to assist U.S. corporations to get through this soft period by providing them with an opportunity to take advantage of substantially lower fares,'' Hoppe stated.

''These are not promotional fares. We have created a completely new fare category that offers excellent new prices in many of our markets,'' she concluded.

America West currently operates one of the world's most modern, fuel efficient fleets including Boeing 747s, 757sm 737s and de Havilland Dash 8s. The average age of the carrier's fleet is less than seven years. America West is currently the national champion in on-time performance for 1989, 1988 and since the Department of Transportation began mandatory reporting in 1987.

As a result of a recent DOT route authorization, the airline will begin its first overseas international operation with new, daily service between Honolulu and Nagoya, Japan, in early 1991.

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HINTON, VA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - WLR Foods Inc. (NASDAQ: WLRF) Thursday reported results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended September 29, 1990.

Net sales for the 1991 first quarter were $132,954,000 compared with $127,068,000 in the same period of fiscal 1990. Net earnings were $5,015,000 or $0.48 per share versus $6,521,000 or $0.63 per share in the comparable period last year.

All per share figures have been adjusted for a 3-for-2 stock split distributed May 9, 1990. All figures also reflect the acquisition of Cassco Ice & Cold Storage in April of 1990, which is accounted for as a pooling of interests.

Commenting on the results, James L. Keeler, President and Chief Executive Officer, said, ''Our results for the fiscal first quarter were strong in a

period of weaker quoted market prices for poultry. They did not match those of the 1990 first quarter, which was the first quarter to fully benefit from our improved chicken operation. However, the profitability of our chicken subsidiary was in line with last year's profitability for the same quarter, despite a 5.1 percent decrease in average quoted market prices for chicken which was offset by increased sales volume. Profitablity of the turkey subsidiary was not as strong this quarter as the first quarter of last fiscal year due in part to the 3.6 percent decrease in average quoted market prices for turkeys.''

Keeler continued, ''Several other factors impacted our turkey subsidiary. Inventories of frozen whole turkeys, for all of which the Company had customer orders, were higher at the end of this year's first quarter, compared to same quarter last year. These inventories have already been reduced and will all be delivered during the holidays.

The Company's financial condition at September 29, 1990 remained strong. Working capital was $45,008,000 and the current ratio was 2.1 to 1. Long-term debt-to-equity was 3.6%. Shareholders' equity increased to $112,484,000 or $10.69 per share.

WLR Foods, Inc. is engaged in fully integrated turkey and chicken production, processing, further processing and marketing. The Company is the eighth largest poultry processor/further processor in the United States.

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STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson and the Austrian Bank Creditanstalt-Bankverein, as a leader of a group of Austrian investors, have reached an agreement in principle with the present owner E. Harold Schrack to buy Schrack Elektronik.

Creditanstalt-Bankverein will take over 49.5 percent of the shares of the company and Ericsson will take 33.5 percent. The rest will remain with E. Harold Schrack. A contract will be signed within two months.

The Schrack companies effected by the acquisition have an annual turnover of ATS 2.4 billion (USD 220 million) and employing 1,900 people. Schrack is located in Vienna and has manufacturing facilities in Kindberg.

Schrack supplies public telephone exchanges to Austrian Telecom and has also a

strong customer base in the private communications market. The company has installed more than 10,000 private telephone systems. Among its customers are the national railways, the national defense, the government and several major banks.

Ericsson's private branch exchanges (PBX's) have been sold by Schrack since the end of the 1970's. Schrack started license manufacture of MD110, Ericsson's digital PBX, in 1984. The MD110 is sold in Austria, as well as in some Eastern European countries, through Schrack. Schrack also markets Ericsson's mobile terminals.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications. Ericsson is recognized for its advanced systems and products for wired and mobile communications in public and private networks. Ericsson is also a leading supplier of electronic defense systems.

Ericsson has 70,000 employees and operations in 80 countries. Turnover in 1989 was SEK 40 billion. Research and development costs for 1989 corresponded to 11 percent of turnover.

Creditanstalt-Bankverein is the largest bank in Austria with total assets of approximately ATS 450 billion (USD 41 billion).

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ATLANTA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - ''The Southern Company will take an after-tax charge against earnings of up to $240 million or 75 cents a share after the Supreme Court of Georgia this week refused to review a decision by the state public service commission disallowing a portion of our investment in the Vogtle nuclear plant,'' Southern Company President Edward L. Addison said today.

The charge will be reflected in Southern Company earnings for September. Those results were released on Oct. 22 and will now be restated to take into account this latest development. The Financial Accounting Standards Board requires any costs that are determined nonrecoverable to be charged against earnings once that determination is made.

The Sourhtern Co. had reported earnings for the 12 months ending Sept. 1990, of $841 million or $2.66 per share. Restated earnings for this period will be available in a few days, as soon as the exact amount of the charge against earnings is determined.

Addison said, ''...the write-off will significantly erode the company's

financial results in the short-term, but in and of itself the write-off will not prevent us from maintaining the dividend we're paying to our stockholders.''

The Southern Company's most recent quarterly dividend of 53-1/2 cents per share is equivalent to an annual per-share dividend of $2.14.

In making today's announcement, Addison emphasized that, ''...the fundamentals of our business are strong and the company's financial condition is sound. We're disappointed in the court's decision, but after several years the legal issues surrounding the recovery of our investment in Plant Vogtle are now substantially resolved.''

The Southern Co. (NYSE:SO) is the parent firm of five electric utilities: Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power and Savannah Electric.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Coast Savings Financial Inc. (NYSE/PSE:CSA), reported Thursday that primarily as a result of the establishment of additional general loan loss reserves, it realized a net loss of $24.4 million, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $92.2 million, for the third quarter of 1989.

The fully diluted net loss per share totaled $1.60, for the third quarter, compared with a fully diluted net loss per share of $6.03, for the year-earlier period.

The net loss for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $47.2 million, compared with a net loss of $80.4 million, for the first nine months of 1989. The fully diluted net loss per share was $3.11, for the nine months ended Sept. 30 1990, compared with a fully diluted net loss of $5.27, for the year-earlier period.

''We are now in the final stages of Coast's initial joint examination by the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.,'' said Ray Martin, chairman and chief executive officer.

''While no significant adjustments to specific loan and real estate loss reserves have resulted from the review, the third-quarter results include the establishment of an additional $61 million of general loan loss reserves and elimination of Coast's $7.2 million investment in core deposit premiums. These actions were taken following consultation with the federal regulatory

agencies regarding evolving industry and regulatory practices.''

''Importantly, Coast continues to exceed all currently applicable regulatory capital requirements. At the end of the third quarter, Coast's tangible, leverage (core) and risk-adjusted capital ratios were 1.52, 3.02 and 6.74 percent, respectively, compared with the minimum required ratios of 1.50, 3.00 and 6.40 percent, respectively.

Coast Savings Financial, is the holding company of Coast Federal Bank, FSB. With assets over $10 billion, Coast is one of the nation's largest thrift institutions. Coast's primary emphasis is on residential real estate lending and retail banking provided through 120 retail banking offices and eight regional mortgage-lending centers located throughout California.

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LAGUNA HILLS, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Newport Pharmaceuticals International Inc. (NASDAQ:NWPH) and Direct Pharmaceutical Corp. (NASDAQ:DPRX) jointly announced Thursday that they have signed a letter of intent which provides that Newport will acquire certain assets of Direct's mail-service pharmacy subsidiary, Mailscripts Inc., including its customer base and operating facility.

Under the terms of the letter of intent, Newport will pay $2.1 million in marketable common stock of Newport and will issue a warrant to Direct for the purchase of an additional 400,000 shares of Newport's common stock.

Mailscripts is a rapidly growing mail-service pharmacy with a dispensing facility located in Columbus, Ohio. It serves primarily the Midwest prescription drug benefits market and is currently operating at a $7.5 million annualized revenue rate.

Newport's subsidiary, America's Pharmacy Inc. (API) serves the entire U.S. market and is currently operating at an annualized revenue rate of over $50 million from a dispensing facility located in Des Moines, Iowa.

The closing of the acquisition is anticipated to occur in December 1990 following the fulfillment of conditions incidental to the closing.

Commenting on the acquisition, Newport's president and chief executive officer J. Roberts Fosberg, stated: ''We are excited to be adding Mailscripts' customer base to API's mail-service pharmacy business. This is the third mail-service pharmacy business acquired by Newport since it began its program of diversification in 1987.

Newport Pharmaceuticals International is a diversified health-care company with headquarters in Laguna Hills. Direct Pharmaceutical has headquarters in St. Louis.

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SANTA ANA, Calif. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - BE Avionics Inc., (NASDAQ:BEAV) Thursday announced that its board of directors had authorized the repurchase of up to 1 million shares of the company's common stock.

BEA presently has 6,868,194 shares of common stock outstanding. The shares may be purchased from time to time in open market regular or block transactions.

A company spokesperson stated that up to 500,000 shares of the total repurchased could be used to reduce dilution associated with the issuance of shares under employee stock option programs.

With more than 150 commercial airline customers, BE Avionics Inc., is the world's leading supplier of passenger control units for in-plane audio and video entertainment and service systems.

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WOODLAND HILLS, CA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - 20th Century Industries (NASDAQ: TWEN), the Woodland Hills-based insurance holding company, reported earnings per share for the three months ending Sept. 30, 1990 of $1.05. This compared with earnings per share of $1.04 for the same period last year, according to Louis W. Foster, chairman.

Foster also announced the attainment of a major corporate mark: during the quarter the insurance subsidiaries passed the one million policy mark. Autos insured were 838,000; home and condominiums numbered 160,000 and personal liability policies were 6,000. In total, policies in force climbed 14.2 percent over a year ago to 1,004,000.

Net income for the third quarter was $27 million on revenues of $205.4 million compared with net income of $26.8 million on revenues of $179.4 million for the same period in 1989.

For the nine months ending Sept. 30, the company reported earnings per share

of $2.30, revenues of $589.4 million and net income of $59.2 million. This compared with the earnings per share of $2.68, revenues of $522.7 million and net income of $68.8 million for the same period in 1989 (earnings per share for the nine months included pre-tax realized investment gains of 12 cents in 1990 and seven cents in 1989).

At the end of the nine-month period, the company has accrued $35 million as pre-tax deferred revenue because of Proposition 103's rollback provision. The company believes that it has made an adequate provision and does not need to defer any additional amount for this purpose. Highlights for the period include:

- Net premiums written increased from $163.1 million to $183.6 million comparing the third quarter of 1990 to 1989. For the nine-month period, net premiums written were $546.4 million, up 12.9 percent.
- Net investment income rose by 17 percent in the quarter compared with the same period a year ago; for the nine-month period it rose 18 percent compared with 1989.
- Stockholders' equity stood at $366.8 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, and book value per share was $14.28 compared with $11.67 at Sept. 30, 1989.
- The combined ratio on GAAP was 94.8 for the quarter and 98.0 for the nine months.
- Assigned-risk policies declined from 54,697 as of June 30 to 52,541 as of Sept. 30.

Foster said a direct mail and newspaper ad campaign for homeowner's and condominium policies in Northern California had been very successful, especially in the Sacramento area.

He said the company's losses associated with the state's mandated assigned-risk plan are expected to be reduced in coming periods. The state has approved the use of toughened eligibility certification procedures and has authorized an 85 percent interim rate increase. The premium impact of the rate increase will be earned incrementally over a two-year period.

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PRINCETON, NJ (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Church & Dwight Co., Inc. (NYSE: CHD), maker of Arm & Hammer (R) products, reported today that its Board of Directors authorized the purchase of up to one million additional shares of the company's common stock from time to time as market conditions permit.

The company has approximately 20,400,000 shares outstanding. The company expects to use the shares for stock option programs and other corporate purposes.

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NASHVILLE, TENN. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Surgical Care Affiliates Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SCAF) the Nashville-based outpatient surgery center company Thursday announced record operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $29,193,918, compared to revenues of $20,608,431, for the same quarter of 1989. This was an increase of 42 percent for the period. The company reported net income of $3,055,686, or 13 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990, vs. $1,666,685, or 7 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989, an earnings increase of 83 percent.

For the nine month period of 1990, net revenues were $86,660,909, compared to revenues of $59,499,989 for the same nine-months of 1989, an increase of 46 percent. The company reported net income of $8,160,782, or 35 cents per share for the first nine months of 1990, vs. $4,474,354, or 20 cents per share for the same period of 1989, an increase of 82 percent.

Ken Melkus, president of Surgical Care Affiliates Inc., stated: ''Results for the third quarter of 1990 continue at a record level of profitability and surpassed each of the preceding 17 quarters. The major factor contributing to these record financial results was the volume of surgical procedures performed at our centers.

''Specifically, total case load during the quarter for all of SCA's centers increased by 35 percent and the same center growth for facilities in SCA's system during the third quarter of 1989 grew by 16 percent. Volume increases of this magnitude resulted in operating margins rising to an all-time high of 42 percent for the company.''

During the third quarter of 1990, the acquisition of the Scranton Surgery Center in Scranton, Pa., was finalized. The center will be joint ventured with local physicians in the Scranton community. SCA plans to replace the existing center by constructing a new facility with opening scheduled for early 1991.

Surgical Care currently operates 30 surgery centers in 16 states, a diagnostic center and an HMO.

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PRINCETON, NJ (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Church & Dwight Co., Inc. (NYSE:CHD), manufacturers of ARM & HAMMER(R) products, reported that the Board of Directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of 8 cents per share.

The dividend will be payable November 30, 1990 to stockholders of record November 14, 1990. This is the Company's 359th regular quarterly dividend.

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BLUE BELL, PA. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. Thursday added a new high-end model to its System 80 line of mainframe computers and delivered LINC the corporation's industry-leading CASE tool, to the System 80 user community.

The announcements came as part of a live Unisys Business Television (UBT) program that was beamed by satellite from the Unisys studio in Princeton, N.J. to System 80 customers hosted at Unisys facilities across the country. Viewers were able to phone in questions to Unisys program hosts in a ''talk show'' format.

The new System 80 Model 50 is up to three times faster than the current high-end (Model 20), and it supports four times the memory.

In addition to offering users more power and memory for their existing OS/3 applications, the new Model 50 supports two Input/Output (I/O) interfaces: the System 80 standard Selector Channel (FIPS) interface, and the industry-standard Small Computer System Interface (SCSI).

Unisys also announced that its LINC II product is now being shipped to System 80 users. The UBT program included a profile of one of the first System 80 users of this Unisys Upper- and Lower- CASE systems generation tool. Using LINC II, this customer was able to develop the specifications for 50 System 80 applications in just seven weeks. Availability and Pricing

The Unisys System 80 Model 50 ranges in price from US $350,000 to $540,000, depending on configuration options. Unisys will begin volume shipments of the Model 50 in the second quarter of 1991. New Model 50 Expands Unisys System 80 Performance Range

The new Unisys Model 50 expands the object-code compatible performance range of the current System 80 family, which includes Model 7E, 15, 20 and 50, to a factor of 10. Its advanced VLSI design requires only 49 percent of the

cooling and 64 percent of the power consumed by the Model 20, and it occupies only 28 percent of the floor space.

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GREAT NECK, N.Y. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - For the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Sept. 28, 1990, Avnet Inc. (NYSE:AVT) Thursday reported net income of $17.7 million, or 49 cents per share, on sales of $438.8 million compared with last year's first quarter net income of $16.3 million or 45 cents per share, on sales of $438.0 million.

Avnet's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Leon Machiz, said that the higher net income resulted from improved Electronic Marketing Group earnings as a result of expense reduction and asset management programs and higher sales. The Group's first quarter sales were $355.2 million compared with $342.6 million in the prior year's first quarter.

The Video Communications Group's first quarter earnings were flat but its sales were substantially lower due to its disposing of its Taiwanese home stereo and computer manufacturing operations last year. While Group sales accounted for only 8% of Avnet's consolidated sales vs. 10% last year, the sales of its continuing operations at Avnet Malaysia and Channel Master were each higher than in last year's first quarter.

The Electrical and Industrial Group's sales, which accounted for 11% of first quarter consolidated sales compared with 12% last year, were slightly lower and its earnings considerably lower than in the prior year period due largely to a difficult business environment in the industrial sector.

Machiz pointed out that despite flat overall sales and declining gross profit margins, Avnet's net margins increased to 4.0% of sales in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 from 3.7% in the prior year's first quarter.

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BENTON HARBOR, MI (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Whirlpool Corp. (NYSE: WHR) today reported that third-quarter earnings declined, consistent with further softening of the North American market for major appliances and growing pressures on margins. At the same time, net revenues increased and the company showed improvement in the performance of its European and Brazilian operations.

Whirlpool said its third-quarter net earnings were $60 million or 86 cents per share, including an after-tax gain of $23 million, or 33 cents per share, from the sale of assets to a joint venture with Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd., to manufacture vacuum cleaners at the former Whirlpool facility in Danville, Ky.

Excluding the Danville sale, third-quarter 1990 net earnings were $37 million, or 53 cents per share, compared with $47 million, or 68 cents per share, during the third quarter of 1989. Equity interest in Whirlpool's Brazilian operations contributed 15 cents per share in the quarter, compared to 19 cents per share in the same 1989 period.

Minus Brazil's results and the sale of the Danville assets, third-quarter net earnings were $26 million, or 38 cents per share in 1990, down 22 percent from $34 million, or 49 cents per share, in 1989. Consolidated net revenues increased to $1.7 billion in the quarter, up 10.8 percent from $1.5 billion in 1989.

Net earnings for the nine months ended September 30 were $126 million, or $1.82 per share, versus $138 million, or $1.99 per share, in 1989.

Excluding Brazil and the gain on the floor care business, net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $117 million, or $1.68 per share, up 3.2 percent from $113 million, or $1.63 per share, in 1989. Consolidated net revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $5.0 billion compared to $4.7 billion in 1989, a 6.2 percent increase.

In both the third-quarter and nine-month comparisons, increases in net revenues resulted primarily from favorable currency exchange rates; however, third-quarter gains were also bolstered by strong European unit sales. Rises in net revenues and gross margins were offset by higher selling and administrative expenses and increased interest expense.

"Given the current worldwide economic picture and resulting decreased demand for major appliances in North America, our sales performance during 1990 has been good," said David R. Whitwam, Whirlpool chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Whirlpool Corp. is the world's leading manufacturer and marketer of major home appliances. Headquartered in Benton Harbor, the company manufactures in ten countries and markets products under nine major brand names in more than 45 countries.

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DALLAS (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The Southland Corp. announced Oct. 24 that the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division, has authorized the immediate use of $100 million in Debtor In Possession (DIP) financing.

The court set Nov. 14, 1990, as the final hearing date on Southland's request to use the balance of the $400 million DIP facility that Southland has arranged for a syndicate of lenders to provide.

In addition, the court scheduled a confirmation hearing for Southland's prepackaged reorganization plan for Dec. 14, 1990.

Citing the importance of ensuring the continuation of normal operations at the company, the court also authorized Southland to pay amounts equal to outstanding trade balances to those trade creditors who agree to restore normal credit terms to Southland. In the event those trade creditors do not maintain normal credit terms, they will be obligated to refund such otherwise unrestricted deposits to Southland.

In addition, the court approved a motion to assume all of Southland's 7-Eleven franchise agreements, but gave creditors until November 9 to raise objections. The court also approved the payment of employee wages and salaries and the continuation of all health benefit plans.

During the day-long hearing, the court approved the company's motions to maintain bank accounts, continue its cash management system, and pay pre-petition beer drafts and lottery obligations.

Southland filed its bankruptcy petition and a prepackaged reorganization plan early yesterday under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. In connection with the filing, Southland arranged for a syndicate of lenders to provide up to $400 million in DIP financing to be used as working capital during the bankruptcy case.

Southland's case number is 390-37119-HCA-11. Judge Harold Abramson is hearing the case.

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PURCHASE, NY (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - JWP Inc. (NYSE: JWP), a multinational technical services company, announced Thursday that net income for the third quarter of 1990 increased by 25 percent to $16 million compared to $12.8 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Third quarter revenues increased 44 percent to $745 million from $515 million in the year-ago period. On a per share basis, earnings for the third quarter increased to $.42 from $.36 in the prior year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, revenues and earnings increased by 49 percent and 32 percent to $2.048 billion and $43.2 million, respectively, over last year's comparable period. On a per share basis, earnings for the nine months increased to $1.14 per share from $.94 per share.

Current and historical results include the acquisition of Neeco Inc., which was accounted for as a pooling of interests. Per share results have been adjusted to reflect a three-for-two stock split effected July 16.

Andrew T. Dwyer, JWP's chairman of the board and president, commented that, "Although business is being affected by recessionary pressures, JWP's market leadership, multiple product lines, broad coverage of the marketplace and financial strength continue to provide opportunities for continued growth in revenues and profits.

"Our customers, which include a majority of the leading U.S.-based corporations and many large, multinational firms based outside the United States, continue to upgrade their facility and information systems to increase productivity, reduce costs and clean up the environment."

Backlog at Sept. 30, remained at $1.5 billion, up from year ago levels, but unchanged over the prior quarter. Dwyer added that "during a period of economic slowdown, we expect to capitalize on our superior position in the marketplace to increase market share and to concentrate on improving operating efficiencies."

By the end of October, the company expects to complete the acquisition of Compumat Inc., a supplier of computer and network systems with offices in Chicago, Indianapolis, Atlanta and Jacksonville.

JWP, a multinational technical services company, provides integrated solutions to complex engineering, information, and environmental challenges with more than 120 offices and 20,000 employees serving 60 major markets and 40,000 customers.

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HAYWARD, CALIF. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Carolyn Bean Publishing, Ltd., released the following preliminary earnings as of Sept. 30, 1990:

Carolyn Bean Publishing, Ltd.
(Unaudited)

	Quarter		Year to date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$1,223,134	$1,095,399	$2,446,153	$2,658,848
Net profit (loss)	$ 167,062	$ (215,830)	$ (59,315)	(1,009,081)
Net profit (loss) per share	28 cents	(65 cents)	(15 cents)	$ (3.11)

Company president, Bruce Wilson, commented: ''Our anticipated results for 1990 are expected to show better than an 80 percent improvement versus our 1989 loss of $1,584,000. Our revised Marketing Plan to focus on our cause related businesses like the Sierra Club, ASPCA and MADD combined with aggressive overhead cuts has resulted in significant financial improvement versus prior periods.

''We feel that we have formed the foundation for profitable growth in 1991 and beyond as evidenced by our results to date and such potential new sources of sales such as the upcoming Christmas card test market in 50 of Wal-Mart's estimated 1,500 outlets.''

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LOUISVILLE, KY (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Kentucky Medical Insurance Co. (NASDAQ/NMS:KYMDA) reported higher operating earnings for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Third-quarter operating income for the medical professional liability insurer was $1.2 million, or 84 cents per share, compared with $1.1 million, or 82 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Revenues decreased to $5 million from the prior period's level of $5.8 million.

Net income was $1.2 million (84 cents per share), a decrease from $1.3 million ($1.01 per share) in 1989. Net income for the third quarter of 1989 included an extraordinary tax credit of $253,000, or 19 cents per share.

Earnings per share were calculated on 1,438,887 and 1,275,823 average shares

outstanding for the quarters ending Sept. 30, 1990, and 1989, respectively.

Lester said revenues for the quarter decreased to $5 million from $5.8 million resulting from lower rates and a shift of policy renewal dates.

Since the 12.5 percent average rate reduction and other rate credits were implemented in January, policyholder counts have increased. Kentucky Medical is the principal provider of medical professional liability insurance for the state's physicians.

For the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, operating income increased to $2.5 million from $2.3 million. Net income fell to $2.5 million from $3.1 million, a figure which included an extrordinary tax credit of $825,000. Total revenues fell to $14.9 million from $17.1 million.

In addition, for the first time in the company's history, total assets exceeded $70 million, or 7 percent higher than at the previous year end. During the same period, book value increased 20 percent to $9.62 from $7.99.

Kentucky Medical Insurance Co. is a major medical professional liability insurance carrier for Kentucky's doctors. The company insures hospitals, healthcare facilities, dentists, oral surgeons and healthcare professionals. It also offers investment, leasing and other insurance services to the Kentucky medical community.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Telecredit Inc. (NASDAQ:TCRD) announced Thursday that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on Dec. 7 to shareholders of record on Nov. 6.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Electromedics Inc. (NASDAQ:ELMD) reported that for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 revenues were up 17 percent to $7,177,000 and net income increased 36 percent to $204,000.

This compares to the third quarter of 1989 revenues of $6,130,000 and net

income of $150,000. Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were a record $21,269,000 vs. $18,617,000.

''The increase in revenues for the third quarter and nine months of 1990'' according to F. James Lynch, chairman and chief executive officer, ''was primarily due to continued growth in autotransfusion software, disposable temperature probes and international sales.''

Lynch stated that ''Although a one-time gain of $52,000 from an award for legal action added to our third quarter profit, we are pleased with our continued improvements in manufacturing efficiencies and our sales growth without the benefit of new products.''

Net income for the first nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $283,000 as compared to $649,000 for the corresponding period in 1989. Net income for nine months of 1990 was negatively affected by a $141,000 extraordinary (non-cash) write-off from early retirement of debentures, a $323,000 increase in interest expense and $680,000 of additional expenditures in the areas of research and development, quality assurance, administration, product management and regulatory affairs which were required for the company's continued growth.

Lynch stated, ''The company has never been in a better posture for growth. Our strong financial position, superior personnel and new products being released in the marketplace will enable us to expand faster than ever before.

''The company's four new products, the TCPM II orthopaedic tourniquet, the AT500P/PRP machine which performs autotransfusion, platelet-rich plasma sequestration and therapeutic aphersis, the arterial filter and the cost effective wound drainage system should begin to produce revenues in the fourth quarter, but it will be 1991 before these products generate significant revenues and gross profits.''

Electromedics Inc. develops, manufactures and markets a proprietary line of autotransfusion equipment and related disposable medical supplies which permits the purification and recirculation of a patient's own blood during surgery.

The company also manufactures cardiovascular disposable products, as well as a line of digital electronic temparature monitoring devices and disposable probes.

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TORONTO (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Stake Technology Ltd. (NASDAQ:STKLF) and

Chesapeake Corp. (NYSE:CSK) announced Thursday the formation of a partnership to market a revolutionary system that will use steam explosion technology for the recylcing of waste papers such as old corrugated containers (OCC), old newspapers (ONP) and mixed office waste.

This new proprietary technology is a product of joint research undertaken by Chesapeake and StakeTech. The partnership will bring together the technology of StakeTech in recovering solid waste materials for recycling and the expertise in producing paper products from secondary fibers.

This patented system will provide a flexible and cost effective alternative for pulping and drinking deinking secondary fiber. When fully operational, the environmentally friendly steam explosion system will be more compact and more energy efficient than conventional deinking facilities.

The introduction of this revolutionary system is timely since the paper industry has pledged to increase the amount of waste paper recovered from 25 percent today to the practical maximum limit of 40 percent in 1995. To achieve this undertaking, the paper industry will be required to invest more than $3 billion in conventional processing equipment.

With this technology, the goal of 40 percent recovery is made more achievable because of the lower capital requirement and the reuse of some waste paper, such as wet strengths, that is not recoverable today.

The partnership will manage the continued research of this innovative system through the operation of a developmental facility. Furthermore, the partnership will market this new technology through license agreements with waste paper handlers such as municipal recycling centers, landfill operations, waste management and paper mills.

Chesapeake Corp. is an integrated paper and forest products company that produces and markets kraft, tissue, packaging and treated wood products. Stake Technology Ltd. is a technology company based in Toronto that owns and licenses the StakeTech process which, through continous steam explosion, converts solid waste biomass into higher-value end products.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - American Fructose Corporation (AFC) announced at its October 24, 1990 board meeting that the board of directors

declared a quarterly dividend of $0.10 per share for Class A common stock and Class B comon stock to be payable November 21, 1990 to stockholders of record as of November 7, 1990.

This is an increase over the previous quarterly dividend of $0.06.

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NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The Louisiana Land and Exploration Co. (NYSE:LLX) (''LL&E'') Thursday reported third quarter 1990 unaudited consolidated net earnings totaling $8.2 million, or 29 cents per share, up approximately 5 percent from the same period in 1989.

In 1989's third quarter, LL&E earned $7.8 million, or 27 cents per share.

The impact of higher crude oil prices in this year's third quarter was mitigated by much lower natural gas prices than in last year's third quarter. Crude and condensate prices averaged $23.46 per barrel during 1990's third quarter, up over 35 percent from the 1989 third quarter average of $17.16 per barrel.

Crude and condensate production volumes rose marginally during the quarter despite temporary shut-ins of certain domestic properties for workovers and repairs.

Domestic natural gas sales volumes rose about 5 percent from year-earlier levels, however, prices were down by nearly 25 percent to $1.57 per MCF. Weaker spot prices and the expiration of a number of premium priced gas sales contracts were responsible for the decline in domestic gas prices.

Dry holes and exploratory charges increased by $1.9 million, reflecting a higher level of drilling activity. Income tax expense was lower mainly due to a third quarter 1990 adjustment reflecting a reduction in LL&E's estimated effective tax rate for 1990.

THE LOUISIANA LAND AND EXPLORATION CO.
(Millions, Except Per Share Data)
(Unaudited)

	Consolidated			
	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 214.2	$ 162.7	$ 641.5	$ 563.7
Costs and Expenses	$ 204.1	$ 150.4	$ 599.1	$ 506.0

Earnings Before Income Taxes	$ 10.1	$ 12.3	$ 42.4	$ 57.7
Income Tax Expense	$ 1.9	$ 4.5	$ 14.5	$ 21.0
Net Earnings Before Extraordinary Item	$ 8.2	$ 7.8	$ 27.9	$ 36.7
Loss on Early Retirement of Debt	$ 0.0	$ 0.0	$ 0.0	$ (2.8)
Net Earnings	$ 8.2	$ 7.8	$ 27.9	$ 33.9

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Marsh & McLennan Inc., the world's leading insurance broker, has established a representative office in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

The Dubai office, which operates as part of the Marsh & McLennan Bowring Marine & Energy Group, Ltd., will provide specialist risk management services to the group's clients in the Middle East, and will be responsible for the development of new business opportunities in this area.

The office will be managed by John W. Carter, vice president and marine and energy Middle East regional manager. Carter has extensive risk management experience, particularly in the marine and energy sector. The office will be located on the 31st floor of the Dubai World Trade Center, P.O. Box 9364, Dubai.

Marsh & McLennan Inc. is a major operating company of Marsh & McLennan Cos. Inc., a professional services firm with insurance and reinsurance broking, consulting and investment management business.

Over 24,000 employeesin 80 countries provide analysis, advice and transactional capabilities to clients worldwide. Marsh & McLennan Companies' stock is listed on the New York, Midwest, Pacific and London stock exchanges. Its NYSE ticker symbol is MMC.

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BUFFALO, NY (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - American Precision Industries

(AMEX:APR) announces financial results.

Consolidated revenues declined 12 percent in the third quarter and 8 percent for the nine months as compared to last year. Net earnings declined 24 percent and 26 percent in the third quarter and nine months, respectively.

Although sales for the Electronic Products segment for the nine months declined 19 percent from last year, the segment's backlogs have improved 20 percent since the prior year-end. The Industrial Process Equipment segment sales have remained relatively constant, while backlogs have increased 34 percent since December 1989.

Overall, the company's backlogs have increased 28 percent since December 1989 and 14 percent since September 1989.

During the third quarter, the company made a decision to cease operations at its API of Florida Division prior to the end of the year. The costs associated with this decision were provided for in the second quarter ended June 29.

In addition to the lower earnings from reduced sales volume, the company's 1990 results have been adversely affected by the costs and disruption associated with the closing of two manufacturing facilities and the work stoppages and lost time surrounding contract negotiations with labor unions.

However, the company has concluded new three-year contracts with labor unions representing production employees at three plant locations. The company believes that out of these adversities, a stronger relationship has been achieved between management and labor. The company's financial position remains strong. Also these plant closings are expected to reduce costs and improve operating results.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The Somerset Group Inc. (OTC:SOMR) Thursday reported net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30 of $711,000 or 40 cents per share.

This compares favorably with net income of $100,000 or 5 cents per share during the like quarter in 1989. The $100,000 net income for the 1989 quarter included a loss of $283,000 from the discontinued radio broadcasting operations.

Net income for the first nine months of the year amounted to $2,242,000 or

$1.24 per share, compared to a loss in 1989 of $392,000 or 22 cents per share, including a loss of $854,000 from the discontinued operations.

Sales of the continuing operations increased 29 percent during the quarter, compared to 1989, and were up 32 percent for the first nine months. In addition, the company's equity in earnings of First Indiana Corp. (a 23.4 percent owned subsidiary) increased from $278,000 in 1989 to $425,000 for the third quarter of 1990, and from $726,000 in 1989 to $1,221,000 for the nine months.

During October, agreement was reached for the sale of the remaining assets of the company's discontinued radio broadcasting properties, consisting of an FM station and an AM station serving the Parkersburg, W.Va., area. Closing of the transaction is pending approval of the transfer of control of the broadcasting licenses by the Federal Communications Commission, which is expected before the end of the year.

Earlier in the year, Somerset sold its Indianapolis radio station for a net gain of $909,000, following a decision in late 1989 to withdraw from the radio broadcasting industry.

In announcing the results, Robert H. McKinney, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, ''We are very pleased with the consistent progress the company is making as implementation of our strategic restructuring continues. Earnings for the first nine months are a positive indication that concentration of our efforts in our core business has been beneficial to our shareholders. We are proceeding cautiously, however, as we attempt to accurately appraise recent economic indicators and the effects of tax reform on our markets.''

The Somerset Group Inc., is a diversified public holding company which through its divisions and subsidiaries engages in three primary lines of business -- banking, construction products and services, and environmental testing.

Through its 23.4 percent investment in First Indiana Corp., whose principal subsidiary is First Indiana Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, the company operates retail banking and real estate mortgage lending centers in strategic metropolitan communities.

The company provides construction products and engineering services through its American Precast Concrete Division, one of the largest manufacturers, marketers and installers of precast/prestressed concrete building components in the Midwest.

The company provides analytical testing services for toxic and hazardous compounds in the environment through its 80 percent owned subsidiary, TMS Analytical Services Inc. This subsidiary performs services for both the governmental and private sectors.

The Somerset Group Inc.

Consolidated Statements of Income

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues and income:				
Net sales	$5,903,000	$4,560,000	$15,906,000	$12,063,000
Cost of sales	4,531,000	3,878,000	12,901,000	10,801,000
Gross profit	1,372,000	682,000	3,005,000	1,262,000
Equity in earnings of First Indiana Corp.	425,000	278,000	1,221,000	726,000
Equity in loss of Mid America Media Inc.	-60,000	---	-310,000	10,000
Other	2,000	85,000	36,000	91,000
Total revenues and income	1,739,000	1,045,000	3,952,000	2,089,000
Less:				
Operating expenses	717,000	512,000	2,040,000	1,642,000
Interest expense	103,000	58,000	322,000	69,000
Total expenses	820,000	570,000	2,362,000	1,711,000
Income (loss) from continuing operations, before income taxes and minority interest	919,000	475,000	1,590,000	378,000
Federal and state income tax expense (benefit)	195,000	92,000	216,000	-84,000
Income from continuing operations, before minority interest	724,000	383,000	1,374,000	462,000
Minority interest in loss of subsidiary	-13,000	---	37,000	---
Income from continuing operations	711,000	383,000	1,411,000	462,000
Discontinued operations (net of income taxes and minority interest):(a)				
Loss from operations	---	-283,000	-78,000	-854,000
Gain on sale of assets	---	---	909,000	---
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	---	-283,000	831,000	-854,000
Net income (loss)	$711,000	$100,000	$2,242,000	($392,000)
Income (loss) per share:				
Continuing operations	40 cents	21 cents	78 cents	25 cents
Discontinued operations	0 cents	(16 cents)	46 cents	(47 cents)
Net income (loss)	40 cents	5 cents	$1.24	(22 cents)

Average shares outstanding	1,779,377	1,814,297	1,803,982	1,809,075

NOTE (a): Discontinued operations consist of the company's 83 percent interest in Somerset Broadcasting Inc., and the company's previous adhesives division.

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CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Falls Financial Inc. (Falls) announced Thursday its intention to repurchase up to five percent of the company's 1,564,000 shares of outstanding common stock.

The repurchases will be transacted in the open market from time to time depending on the company's assessment of market conditions and subject to regulatory considerations.

Gene Stalnaker, president of Falls commented, ''The program to repurchase the stock was adopted because we recognize that it is currently priced at less than 55 percent of its book value, which provides Falls an outstanding investment and an exceptional opportunity to improve shareholder value.''

''The strong capital position of Falls Financial Inc., provides this and other opportunities that we will continue to take advantage of for the benefit of our customers, stockholders, and employees. It is our level of strength and customer service that separates us from the other financial institutions with which we compete,'' commented Howard W. Atwood, chairman and CEO of Falls.

Falls' core capital ratio at Sept. 30, was 12.23 percent. The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ System under the symbol ''FFII.'' Its subsidiary, Falls Savings Bank, FSB operates 11 retail banking offices in Summit and Portage Counties.

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BIRMINGHAM, ALA. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Protective Life Corp. (NASDAQ:PROT) announced Thursday that its consolidated net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $7.0 million or 51 cents per share, an increase of

28 percent over the $5.4 million or 40 cents per share in the same period in 1989.

Excluding realized investment gains and losses, the company's earnings were 60 cents per share in the third quarter of 1990 as compared to 39 cents per share last year, a 54 percent increase. In the 1990 third quarter, realized investment losses were $1.9 million or 9 cents per share compared to realized investment gains of $0.2 million or 1 cent per share for that period last year.

The company's third quarter results reflect improved earnings in most of its major business segments compared to the same period in 1989.

Consolidated net income in the first nine months of 1990 was $19.2 million or $1.41 per share, compared to $16.2 million or $1.17 per share in the comparable period in 1989, an increase of 21 percent. Excluding realized investment gains and losses, earnings in the first nine months of 1990 were $1.52 per share compared to $1.11 per share in the same period of 1989, a 37 percent increase.

Realized investment losses were $2.1 million or 11 cents per share in the first nine months of 1990 compared to realized investment gains of $1.2 million or 6 cents per share for that period of 1989.

The quality of the company's assets remains high. At Sept. 30, 1990, delinquent mortgage loans and foreclosed real estate were 1 percent of assets. Bonds rated less than investment grade were less than 2 percent of assets. Although the quality of its assets remains high, the Company has established a reserve for potential future losses on investments.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Inspiration Resources Corp. (ticker symbol:IRC) Thursday reported a 1990 third quarter net loss of $18.0 million, or 27 cents per share, on revenues of $306.7 million, compared with a 1989 net loss of $8.3 million, or 12 cents per share, on revenues of $281.4 million.

Excluding a 1990 non-cash charge of $16.5 million, or 25 cents per share, primarily related to the closure of an offshore gold mining project in Nome, Alaska, and 1989 charges of $5.3 million resulting from a product damage claim and clean-up of a chemical fire, IRC's third quarter net loss decreased $1.5 million, or 2 cents per share, from the previous year.

IRC reported 1990 third quarter operating income of $11.4 million, compared with 1989 third quarter operating income of $4.8 million.

IRC chairman Reuben F. Richards said that the 1990 third quarter results reflected lower losses at the corporation's agribusiness operations, higher copper prices and increased production at IRC's base metals subsidiary. Excluding the charge related to the gold operation closure, IRC would have reported a 1990 third quarter loss of 2 cents per share, he added.

For the first nine months of 1990, IRC reported net income of $6.9 million, or 10 cents per share, on revenues of $1.2 billion, compared with 1989 net income of $27.6 million, or 42 cents per share, on revenues of $1.2 billion.

During the 1990 third quarter, Terra International Inc. (''Terra''), IRC's agribusiness subsidiary, reported an operating loss of $5.1 million on revenues of $180.7 million, compared with a 1989 operating loss of $8.9 million on revenues of $170.6 million. Terra customarily reports an operating loss in the third and fourth quarters following the spring planting season. In addition, the 1989 third quarter operating loss included the charges related to the clean-up of a chemical fire and a product damage claim of a formulated agricultural chemical.

IRC's base metals operations, consisting of Canada-based Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting Co. Ltd. (HBMS) and a metals trading operation, reported 1990 third quarter operating income of $15.4 million on revenues of $93.5 million, compared with 1989 third quarter operating income of $14.4 million on revenues of $93.1 million.

The increase was due primarily to higher copper prices and increased production from HBMS's 60 percent-owned Namew Lake nickel/copper mine in northern Manitoba, which reached full production at the end of 1989. Average London Metal Exchange prices for zinc declined seven percent and nickel prices declined 14 percent in the 1990 third quarter from the year ago period. New York Comex prices for copper increased six percent from the year earlier period.

IRC's coal operations reported a 1990 third quarter operating loss of $1.7 million on revenues of $21.9 million, compared with a 1989 third quarter operating loss of $2.7 million on revenues of $14.6 million.

Increased company and contract coal production and higher selling prices contributed to the reduced 1990 third quarter loss.

IRC's leasing subsidiary reported 1990 third quarter operating income of $2.1 million on revenues of $2.9 million, compared with a 1989 third quarter operating income of $2 million on revenues of $3.1 million.

IRC's 1990 third quarter results also included a $16.5 million equity loss from its 50 percent interest in a gold affiliate, compared with an equity loss of $1 million in the 1989 third quarter. The 1990 third quarter loss resulted

primarily from the $16.5 million charge related to the permanent shutdown of the offshore Alaska gold mining project.

IRC's construction materials operations, which were acquired in 1990, reported third quarter income of $0.8 million on revenues of $7.7 million.

Inspiration Resources Corp., which had 1989 revenues of $1.4 billion, is a diversified natural resources company that provides products and services for agriculture, mines base and precious metals and coal, produces construction materials and leases equipment.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - For the third quarter of 1990, Quantum Chemical Corp., reported a loss of $1.4 million, equal to 5 cents per common share, compared with a loss of $21.4 million or 83 cents per share, for the 1989 quarter.

The prior year period was adversely affected by costs associated with the fires at its Morris, Ill. chemical plant and by non-recurring debt issue expenses incurred by QFB partners, the company's Petrolane propane joint venture.

Although average selling prices for polyethylene were lower, operating profits were slightly higher in the current quarter compared to the 1989 period. Profit margins in the propane marketing business in the third quarter declined compared with the 1989 quarter principally because higher propane costs as a result of the Middle East crisis were not fully offset by increased selling prices.

Similarly, polyethylene margins have narrowed since the second quarter of 1990 as the company was unable to pass through increases in the cost of feedstocks.

Sales from continuing operations in the third quarter were $621.9 million, compared with sales of $557.7 million in the 1989 period. The average number of shares of common stock outstanding was 27.2 million in 1990 vs. 25.6 million in 1989.

Net income for the 1990 nine months was $11.5 million, or 43 cents a share, compared with $229.3 million, or $8.96 a share, in the 1989 period.

Net income for the 1989 period included $133.3 million or $5.21 per share principally from the sale of the oleochemical business. The 1990 nine months income from continuing operations decreased significantly compared to the prior year period because of lower selling prices and profit margins for all

major products of the petrochemical business.

The average number of shares of common stock outstanding was 26.6 million in 1990 vs. 25.6 million in 1989. Quantum Chemical Corp. has operations in petrochemicals and propane marketing.

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PEABODY, Mass. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Warren Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:WRNB) Friday reported its operating results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The corporation reported a net loss of $7.3 million, or $2.10 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $3.5 million, or $1.00 per share, for the comparable period in 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the corporation reported a net loss of $10.6 million, or $3.02 per share, compared with a net loss of $2.7 million, or $0.78 per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Paul M. Peduto, acting president and chief executive officer of Warren Bancorp Inc., noted that the 1990 third quarter results reflected the continuation of the regional economic and real estate market downturn that has impacted the performance of the corporation and other New England financial institutions during the past year.

These conditions have contributed to the need for a higher addition to the provision for loan losses, as well as in general to higher levels of non-performing loans which do not accrue interest, increases in real estate acquired through foreclosure and substantively repossessed (and the administrative expenses associated with acquiring and maintaining these properties) and write-downs of principal on real estate acquired through foreclosure and investments in real estate joint ventures.

In addition to real estate-related issues, Peduto noted two other items which affected the performance of the corporation during the 1990 quarter. First, the corporation recognized a loss of $1.0 million from a subordinated debenture issued by Sentry Federal Savings Bank; Sentry was declared insolvent and placed in RTC conservatorship on Sept. 21, 1990. Also, included in the 1990 third quarter non-interest expense is a charge related to the resignation of the corporation's former chairman, president and chief executive officer.

The provision for loan losses was $4.6 million in the 1990 third quarter, and $6.8 million for the first nine months of 1990, compared with $4.0 million,

and $4.8 million, respectively, for the same periods in 1989. The allowance for loan losses totaled $9.8 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $6.9 million at June 30, 1990, and $5.8 million at Sept. 30, 1989; the ratio of the allowance for loan losses to total non-performing loans was 38.32 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with 28.41 percent at June 30, 1990, and 23.04 percent at Sept. 30, 1989.

The allowance for loan losses at Sept. 30, 1990 reflected net loan charge-offs totaling $1.8 million during the 1990 third quarter, compared with $399,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

Peduto noted that an increased provision for loan losses and further write-downs of real estate joint ventures and real estate acquired through foreclosure were necessary in light of the sustained economic decline and the ongoing uncertainty for the short-term recovery of the region.

Net loans decreased to $425.0 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $425.7 million at June 30, 1990 and $480.0 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Included in net loans at Sept. 30, 1990 are $7.8 million in condominium development loans, $11.6 million in land loans, and $2.4 million in commercial construction loans.

Loans in a non-performing status at Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $25.5 million, or 5.86 percent of loans, compared with $24.4 million, or 5.52 percent of loans, at June 30, 1990 and $25.1 million, or 5.18 percent of loans at Sept. 30, 1989. Real estate acquired through foreclosure and substantively repossessed at Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $10.5 million compared with $9.2 million at June 30, 1990, and $3.5 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

Warren Bancorp Inc. is the holding company for Warren Five Cents Savings Bank. A Massachusetts-chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank, Warren Five services the North Shore, Merrimack Valley and Cape Ann communities through eight branches and two loan offices in Peabody, Beverly, Andover and Gloucester.

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HILLIARD, OH (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - HDR Power Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:HDRP) Thursday announced first quarter financial results for fiscal 1991.

Sales for the first quarter, which ended Sept. 29, 1990, were $2,205,465. This represents an 11 percent increase compared to sales of $1,991,376 recorded in the like period a year ago. This increase was primarily the result of the resurgence in custom product orders for the fourth quarter of the previous year.

Net earnings for the first quarter were $16,836, or 1 cent per share, compared

to a net loss of $(23,931), or (1 cent) per share for the comparative quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Richard J. Lippott, vice president-finance stated: ''Management is very encouraged regarding the continued increase in custom-designed UPS system orders. Custom product orders were $2,667,000 for the first quarter, an increase of 55 percent compared to $1,719,000 booked in the comparative quarter last year. Also, total orders were $3,395,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, a 28 percent increase, compared to the $2,645,000 booked for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.''

HDR Power Systems Inc. manufactures a broad line of uninterruptible power systems used in both industrial and commercial business applications.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Quantum Chemical Corporation at its regular meeting Thursday voted not to declare a dividend at this time.

Quantum paid a 2% stock dividend on June 1, 1990.

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CHICAGO/PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameritech (NYSE: AIT) and Bell Atlantic (NYSE: BEL) Thursday announced the selection of Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Merrill Lynch Capital Markets as Co-Global Coordinators of the initial public offering of stock in Telecom Corporation of New Zealand.

Salomon Brothers, who acted as an advisor to Ameritech and Bell Atlantic in connection with the acquisition of Telecom, has been named Advisor to the Selling Shareholders.

Goldman Sachs and Merrill Lynch Capital Markets will be jointly responsible for structuring the offering of Telecom stock and coordinating global marketing activities.

Ameritech, Bell Atlantic and two New Zealand companies--Fay Richwhite and Freightways--last month completed the purchase of Telecom for approximately

$2.4 billion.

To meet New Zealand Government requirements, the two U.S. companies will reduce their ownership position in Telecom to 24.95 percent over time.

Telecom is New Zealand's principal supplier of domestic and international telecommunications services to approximately 1.4 million access lines and a population base of some 3.3 million. The company also provides national and international trunk and date transmission services; cellular mobile telephone services; directory services; telephone equipment and repair and value-added services.

Ameritech is the Chicago-based parent of Bell companies serving 12 million customers in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin. Other Ameritech companies provide mobile communications, directory publishing, voice messaging and audiotex services.

Bell Atlantic Corporation is the Philadelphia-based parent of Bell telephone companies serving more than 17 million customers in the mid-Atlantic region of the U.S., and of companies that provide mobile communications, computer maintenance and financial services in national and international markets.

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WALTHAM, MA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Infotronic and its exclusive North American distributor, Hitachi/Nissei Sangyo America (NSA) have announced software drivers for AutoCAD and Windows 3.0, running on the ultra-high resolution INFO SGX intelligent graphics controllers.

The first of future introductions, the AutoCAD and Windows drivers significantly enhance the price performance of the industry's fastest graphics controllers. With 10 MIPS of throughput, the INFO SGX controllers are 60 percent faster than conventional boards. Additionally, they feature software-selectable resolutions to 1600x1280, and through the TIGA II interface are compatible with MS-DOS, UNIX, and OS/2 environments.

The boards' inherent speed will greatly improve all applications using the Windows 3.0 driver. The SGX board with the Windows driver gives users access to hundreds of applications ranging from Lotus 1-2-3 to Pagemaker to Harvard Graphics to high-end CAD/CAM environments.

The INFO/ACAD Display List Driver defines new performance levels for AutoCAD

10, 11 and 386. INFO/ACAD is fully compatible with AutoCAD syntax, and features the Infotronic Multiviewport Orientation System (MOS). MOS helps users to recognize their location in a complicated multiviewport drawing. INFO/ACAD also supports a fast Flush command, which quickly refreshes display lists without AutoCAD's traditional regeneration function.

Infotronic S.p.A. is a major European manufacturer of graphic controllers. The company maintains a product development and OEM support organization in Austin, Texas. Its exclusive North American distributor is Hitachi/NSA.

Nissei Sangyo America is a $500 million North American trading company in the Hitachi Group. The Hitachi/NSA Office Automation Group, headquartered in Waltham, Mass., markets monitors and graphic controllers through OEMs and a network of distributor throughout North America. The toll-free number in the U.S. and Canada is 800/441-4832.

Lotus 1-2-3 is a registered trademark of Lotus Development Corp.

Windows is a trademark of Microsoft Corp.

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EL DORADO, ARK (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - James V. Kelley, chairman and president of First United Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:UNTD), El Dorado, has reported financial results for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income was $1.89 million, or 88 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990 an increase of 23 percent over the same period in 1989 when earnings were $1.53 million, or 72 cents per share.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $5.56 million, or $2.60 per share, compared with $4.50 million, or $2.14 per share during the same period in 1989.

Total assets at the end of the period were $752.27 million, as compared with $730.60 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

The annualized return on average assets for the nine-month period was .99 percent and return on average equity was 11.81 percent on an annualized basis.

Stockholders' equity rose to $64.99 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $59.94 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

Book value per share at Sept. 30, 1990, was $30.42, compared with $28.06 at

Sept. 30, 1989.

First United is the bank holding company for the First National Bank of El Dorado, First National Bank of Magnolia, Merchants and Planters Bank, N.A. of Camden and City National Bank of Fort Smith.

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Pacific Fuels Inc. (UPFI), the marketing subsidiary of Union Pacific Resources Company of Fort Worth, announced today finalization of a new midterm fuel supply contract to provide Bethlehem Steel Corp. with natural gas for its Sparrows Point (Maryland) plant.

Union Pacific Resources Company, the oil, gas and minerals subsidiary of Union Pacific Corporation of Bethlehem, Penn., is a major producer of natural gas in the United States and Canada, with deliverability in excess of 600 million cubic feet per day (MMcf).

Bethlehem Steel, the second largest steel producer in the United States, consumes more than 60 billion cubic feet of natural gas annually. Bethlehem's facilities are served primarily by Columbia, NGPL, ANR and Trunkline Pipeline System.

The new one-year contract provides for a market sensitive pricing provision and firm takes of six MMcf per day with firm transportation provided by Trunkline Gas Company.

Donald W. Niemiec, president of UPFI, noted, ''This fuel supply contract is hopefully the beginning of a long lasting relationship between Bethlehem Steel and Union Pacific Fuels, and represents a market responsive contract which is advantageous to both companies.''

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Vulcan Materials Co. (NYSE:VMC) Thursday announced that third quarter sales and earnings were down from last year's record levels.

Sales of $306,596,000 were slightly below the $307,237,000 reported for 1989's third quarter. Pretax earnings totaled $63,541,000, down 17 percent from the $76,498,000 earned in the third quarter of 1989. Net earnings and earnings per

common share amounted to $42,128,000 and $1.08, down 17 percent and 14 percent respectively, from last year's third quarter results of $50,473,000 and $1.25.

Earnings per share declined at a lesser rate because of share repurchases.

The third quarter effective tax rate of 33.7 percent was slightly below the comparable 1989 rate of 34.0 percent.

For the first nine months, sales were a record $834,298,000, up 2 percent from last year's level of $818,464,000. Pretax earnings totaled $151,789,000, off 9 percent from the $166,433,000 reported for the first nine months of 1989.

Net earnings and earnings per share before the cumulative effect of accounting changes were $100,469,000 and $2.57, down 8 percent and 5 percent, respectively, from the $109,713,000 and $2.70 earned in the first nine months of 1989.

The company adopted two accounting changes in the first quarter of 1989; the cumulative effect of these changes resulted in after-tax income of $1,490,000. With that income included in last year's nine months results, corresponding 1990 net earnings and earnings per share reflect declines of 10 percent and 6 percent, respectively.

Construction Materials sales were at an all-time quarterly high of $203,175,000, up 1 percent from last year's level due to slightly higher volume. The volume increase resulted from acquisitions made since the third quarter of 1989, particularly the initial impact of the Reed companies acquired on Sept. 6, 1990.

Excluding the effect of acquisitions, stone shipments were 4 percent lower than last year's third quarter level. Sales of the Chemical segment totaled $103,421,000 in the third quarter, down 3 percent from comparable 1989 sales as a result of market pressures on chlorine and chlorinated solvents.

Construction Materials segment earnings were $45,475,000 in the third quarter of 1990, down 9 percent from last year's third quarter level of $50,129,000. This decline was due principally to higher operating costs. Earnings of the Chemicals segment totaled $19,892,000, down 26 percent from 1989's third quarter figure of $26,804,000. This decrease resulted primarily from lower selling prices and higher operating costs, including the effect of cutbacks in production rates due to lower solvent demand.

Selling, administrative and general expenses in the third quarter of 1990 were minimally above comparable 1989 expenses. Normal increases in personnel-related expenses and additional significant costs incurred on business development projects were essentially offset by lower provisions for management incentive awards, reflecting weaker results and a decline in the price of Vulcan's common stock.

Other income, net of other charges, was up $893,000 from the third quarter level in 1989, reflecting mainly nonrecurring items referable to results in joint-venture companies.

Interest expense increased $518,000, or 30 percent, over last year's third quarter level due to higher short-term borrowings.

Net cash provided by continuing operations amounted to $125,975,000 in the first nine months of 1990 as compared with $160,743,000 last year. The decline relates primarily to larger increases in accounts receivable and inventories in the first nine months of 1990 as compared with the same period last year.

The receivables increase was unusually high because accounts receivable at Dec. 31, 1989, were at a depressed level, reflecting the impact of severe weather conditions on December shipments.

Property additions totaled $193,111,000 in the first nine months of 1990, up 81 percent from the comparable 1989 level of $106,510,000. The current year's property additions included $95,175,000 referable to acquisitions as compared with $22,338,000 in 1989.

Expenditures for acquisitions were up sharply in 1990 due to the acquisition of the Reed companies in September, which included a large limestone quarry, barges and other facilities for the distribution of stone, and terminal facilities for coal handling services. During the first half of 1990, the company also acquired three quarries and two asphalt plants.

The company's current liabilities at Sept. 30, 1990 included commercial paper notes totaling $130,716,000. These notes were issued during the third quarter principally to finance the acquisition of the Reed companies. The company is reviewing the desirability of converting a portion of these borrowings into longer-term obligations.

Pursuant to the company's common stock purchase program, 504,856 shares of common stock were purchased in the third quarter of 1990 at a total cost of $19,259,000, equal to an average price per share of $38.15. For the first nine months of 1990, common stock purchases totaled 1,349,559 shares at a cost of $56,615,000, equal to $41.95 per share.

Cash and cash equivalents amounted to $10,912,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, down $50,529,000 from the same date last year.

H. A. Sklenar, president and chief executive officer of Vulcan, stated, ''Third quarter results fell short of expectations in both segments. Deteriorating conditions in our national economy cause us to expect continuing downward pressure on volumes and margins in both of our businesses in the

fourth quarter.

''Construction Materials results should be enhanced by earnings from the Reed companies. Notwithstanding that impact, we think fourth quarter Construction Materials earnings will fall short of last year's level.

''We expect fourth quarter earnings of our Chemicals segment to be down from this year's third quarter level but above last year's severely depressed fourth quarter results.

''Interest expense in the fourth quarter will be up significantly over last year's level, reflecting borrowings principally for acquisitions.

''For the year as a whole, we expect Vulcan's 1990 net earnings from continuing operations to be below last year's result. Our current projection is that earnings per common share will be between $3.05 and $3.20.''

Vulcan is a producer of industrial materials and commodities with significant positions in two industries. It is the nation's foremost producer of construction aggregates and a leading chemicals manufacturer, producing a diversified line of chlorinated solvents and other industrial chemicals.

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LONDON (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of Polly Peck International Ltd. resolved Wednesday to apply to the High Court for an Administration Order to be made because the board believes this step will result in the survival of the company and its operations as going concerns.

It is expected that the Order will be made Friday.

An Administrator is not a Liquidator, and work will continue as usual. The Administrators will work in conjunction with the board to run the group, and further announcements will be made as soon as the administrator is formally appointed. It should be once again stated that this process is followed with the intent of promoting the survival of the Polly Peck Holding Co. and its subsidiaries.

The administration process will be focused on the holding company in London.

Polly Peck Produce as an operating subsidiary is not itself in administration and will continue to operate as a stand-alone company individually managed and financed as before. Polly Peck Produce will continue with business as usual and ensure it operates to its maximum efficiency, reassuring customers,

suppliers and employees of its solid position.

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WESTPORT, CT (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - MECA Software Inc. (NASDAQ:MECA) Thursday announced that revenues for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 were $2.3 million.

For the same period of fiscal year 1990 the company recorded revenues of $3.6 million. Fiscal 1990 results included revenues of $2.0 million generated from a one time joint marketing arrangement with IBM. Net of this one time arrangement, first quarter of fiscal 1991 revenues increased 38% over the comparable period of fiscal 1990. As MECA's products are closely tied to the calendar year-end holiday season and tax preparation periods, a disproportionate amount of the company's revenues are realized in the second and third quarters of their fiscal year.

For the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 MECA reported net income of $70,000 or 2 cents per share.

MECA Software Inc. develops, publishes and markets a family of personal and business productivity software designed to assist individuals in managing personal or small business finances, preparing their income taxes, manage personal legal affairs and organize their business environment. MECA's products which include Andrew Tobias' Managing Your Money, Andrew Tobias' Tax Cut and Hyatt Legal Services Home Lawyer and The Manager's Organizer are sold through independent distributors, software specialty chains and mail order outlets.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Brad Ragan Inc. (ASE: BRD) recorded improved revenues and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, W.P. Brophey, president and chief executive officer, announced Thursday.

A net loss of $132,000, 6 cents per share was recorded for the third quarter 1990 comparing favorably to a net loss of $300,000, 14 cents per share, for the like period a year earlier. Total revenues were improved to $59,214,000 from $57,970,000.

For the nine month period, net income more than doubled to $457,000, 21 cents per share from $190,000, 9 cents per share. Total revenues grew $1.6 million from $171,593,000 to $173,173,000.

''Merchandising and sales efforts in the third quarter of 1990 generated margin contribution growth in all product and service categories with the exception of Lawn and Garden Products where extremely dry weather conditions in the southeast resulted in approximately $900,000 lower volume.

''The rubber mixing business for outside new tire manufacturing continued at lower levels from last year with a $644,000 reduction in sales in the third quarter,'' stated W.P. Brophey.

''With the economic uncertainties of the fourth quarter, we will intensify and balance efforts toward cost and expense efficiency with aggressive promotional activities. The requirement of a satisfactory return on working capital in all locations has been emphasized throughout our organization,'' Brophey added.

Brad Ragan Inc. is the largest United States producer of retreaded tires for off-highway vehicles. BRI distributes new and retreaded off-the-road and truck tires through a network of 50 commercial outlets in 20 states. The company also operates a chain of 133 retail stores in the Southeast, featuring products and services for the auto and home.

BRAD RAGAN INC.
Comparative Results
(000's omitted except per share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$59,214	$57,970	$173,173	$171,593
Income before taxes	(196)	(497)	740	231
Provision for income taxes	(64)	(197)	283	41
Net income	$ (132)	$ (300)	$ 457	$ 190
Net income per common share	(6 cents)	(14 cents)	21 cents	9 cents
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	2,190,619	2,190,619	2,190,619	2,190,619

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FAIRFAX, VA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The fun and excitement of an American tradition that has entertained generations of children comes to life year

round at the neighborhood shopping mall starting this weekend.

The world's first Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus Store will formally open its doors here at Fair Oaks Mall at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 27, following a day of preview activities on Friday. Store officials have scheduled an array of Circus-style entertainment and gifts for opening day shoppers.

Circus President Kenneth Feld announced the establishment of the new national retail chain several weeks ago at the opening of Irvin Feld and Kenneth Feld Productions' new world headquarters in Vienna, Va.

Fair Oaks festivities will be staged in two areas: the store site on the second level near Hecht's, and at the mall's Center Court on the ground level.

Opening day shoppers will find gifts for children including goodie bags for the first 100 arrivals. They also may register for prizes plus two grand prizes of a free three-week session at the new Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus summer camp opening next year in Maine.

The new Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus Store combines the colorful flavor of a visit to the Big Top with a wide array of exclusive merchandise ranging from seasonally fresh apparel to authentic Circus memorabilia, interactive toys and party decorations and supplies. Its offerings are created especially for the Stores by a collection of craftsmen and are not available elsewhere.

Store President and Chief Executive Officer Kathy Self said the Fair Oaks facility offers merchandise timely to each season and occasions, pointing to a current Halloween display.

The manager of the Fair Oaks store is Ramona Cropper.

Personnel, who will wear colorful Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Clown College jumpsuits, have been trained by the Circus' professional clowns to entertain and apply clown makeup to youngsters.

The 4,500 square foot Fair Oaks Store is the first of three initial installations already under development. Others are scheduled to open before year-end at West Farms Mall in Farmington, Conn., and The Mall at Short Hills in Short Hills, N.J.

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SANTA ROSA, CA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Optical Coating Laboratory Inc. was named a Certified Supplier by Xerox Corp. Thursday at a ceremony in OCLI's plant here.

The certification was presented by Marjorie B. Efron, manager, optics commodity team, for XEROX to Rolf Illsley, OCLI's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

OCLI is the 16th domestic Xerox supplier to achieve this status since it was established a little over a year ago. As a Certified Supplier, it will produce and ship parts to the company with minimal intervention and supervision from Xerox.

Efron noted that, as a producer of critical, coated-glass optical parts for Xerox copiers and electronic printers, OCLI earned its new status by maintaining a virtual zero-defects level of performance. The company also provides continuous expert assistance to Xerox product-design engineers, she said.

Efron added that OCLI has achieved a high level of performance in making deliveries to Xerox on an as-needed, or just-in-time, basis. It won the Xerox Award of Excellence last year.

''The outstanding performance of suppliers like OCLI played a critical role in helping Xerox to earn the 1989 Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award,'' Efron said.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Depot Inc. (NASDAQ:MEDD) is pleased to announce the opening of its fifth Medical Depot Superstore at 6022 East Colonial Drive in Orlando, Fla.

Medical Depot Superstores are 10,000 square foot locations selling a complete line of durable and disposable medical supplies to the retail, professional, and wholesale markets. Each store stocks approximately 2,000 different products and has access to thousands of other products.

''This store marks Medical Depot's first store outside of Southern Florida, the first store in the growing Orlando market, and the fifth franchised store to open since March. Our association with a top quality franchisee team

consisting of Don Young, Jack Armstrong and Ken Black will insure a quick and profitable penetration of the Orlando market,'' said Medical Depot Inc.'s President, Ralph Leopold.

Medical Depot has one more franchised Superstore scheduled to open in 1990. This sixth Medical Depot Superstore will be in the Shoppes of Hillsboro Shopping Center in Deerfield Beach, Fla.

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BLUE BELL, PA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. said Thursday that W. Michael Blumenthal, who retired from the company as chief executive officer on April 1, has resigned his non-executive role as chairman of the board and also resigned as a director effective Nov. 1.

James A. Unruh, Unisys president and chief executive officer, was elected to the additional post of chairman.

Blumenthal, 64, cited increasing international obligations for his decision to leave the board. He is a limited partner in the investment banking firm of Lazard Freres & Co. and co-chairman of a newly formed International Coordinating Group of Lazard. He said his business headquarters will be in Paris.

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QUINCY, MA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Excel Bancorp Inc. (OTC:XCEL), parent company of Quincy Savings Bank and Lincoln Trust Co., Thursday adopted a shareholder rights plan.

The plan is designed to protect shareholders' interests in the event of an unfair and coercive takeover attempt.

The shareholder rights plan entitles each holder of Excel Bancorp Inc. stock to purchase the corporation's stock at a discount price in the event any person or group of persons exceeds predetermined ownership limitations of the corporation's outstanding common stock and, in certain circumstances, engages in certain activities deemed adverse to the interests of the corporation's stockholders.

According to Charles R. Simpson Jr., president and chief executive officer, ''The rights plan is intended to assure that all of Excel's shareholders receive fair and equal treatment in the event of any proposed takeover of the corporation. The plan will not prevent a takeover, but should encourage anyone seeking to acquire the corporation to negotiate with the board prior to attempting a takeover.''

''Our principal objective,'' Simpson said, ''is to continue to build long-term value for our shareholders.''

The rights plan applies to shares held on the record date of Nov. 8, 1990. However, rights issued under the plan will not be exercisable initially. They will trade with the corporation's common stock and no certificates will be issued until certain triggering events occur.

Excel Bancorp Inc. is the holding company for Quincy Savings Bank, a state chartered stock savings bank, headquartered in Quincy, and Lincoln Trust Co., a state chartered commercial bank, headquartered in Hingham. The subsidiaries conduct business through 17 offices located on the South Shore of Massachusetts.

Quincy Savings Bank and Lincoln Trust Co. are members of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC). Quincy is also a member of the Deposit Insurance Fund of Massachusetts (DIFM).

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BOSTON (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of BayBanks Inc. at its meeting today declared a quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share payable on Saturday, Dec. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record on Wednesday, Nov. 14, 1990.

The previous quarterly dividend was also 30 cents per share. ''Decisions on future dividends will be based on the circumstances prevailing at the time,'' said William M. Crozier Jr., chairman of the board and president of BayBanks Inc.

BayBanks Inc. also announced a net loss of $12.3 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, which is roughly consistent with a loss of $11.5 million for the second quarter of 1990, and a $13.8 million loss for the first quarter. Year-to-date losses thus total $37.6 million.

Losses in the third quarter and for the year-to-date have resulted from the establishment of reserves for current and possible future loan losses

occasioned by the sharp decline in the region's real estate sector. Additions to reserves so far in 1990 amount to $190 million against which actual losses of $114 million have been recorded. Net additions to reserves thus have equalled $76 million for the first nine months of 1990.

Nonperforming loans were $261 million at Sept. 30 compared with $265 million at the end of the prior quarter. Other real estate owned and in-substance foreclosures (a new category reflecting properties in the process of foreclosure but where the company's bank subsidiaries have not yet taken title) were $115 million at third quarter end compared with $69 million at June 30.

Other loans past due 90 days or more were $95 million at Sept. 30 vs. $94 million at June 30.

Crozier noted that BayBanks' total capital was $738 million at Sept. 30, 1990. Under the new regulatory guidelines that will be effective at year end, the company's core capital and total capital ratios at Sept. 30 were 6.09 percent and 8.19 percent, compared with regulatory minimums of 3.625 percent and 7.25 percent, respectively. T

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BASKING RIDGE, NJ (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Hooper Holmes Inc. (AMEX:HH), a leading healthcare and health information services firm, annnounced Thursday its operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

A summary of the company's performance compared with the like 1989 periods is shown below.

''We are extremely pleased by our performance in a difficult economic environment,'' said Jim McNamee, president and CEO.

''Our impressive revenue gains of 49 percent and 36 percent respectively for the third quarter and nine months reflect solid internal growth and the benefit of recent acquisitions. Pretax profit improvement, while quite satisfactory, didn't keep pace with revenue growth because of short-term funding requirements. We are being temporarily hurt somewhat by financing costs brought about by our rapid growth, including unanticipated growth in some of our recently-acquired companies. We would expect our short-term financing needs to be materially reduced during the next few operating periods thus enhancing our overall net operating results,'' the executive added.

''Our revenues are now tracking at an annual rate of $110 million and profitability should increase materially over the next several years. Hooper Holmes is strategically well positioned for the future. While current worldwide uncertainty dictates extreme caution at this juncture, we anticipate a good fourth quarter and expect 1991 to be another record year,'' McNamee concluded.

Hooper Holmes Inc.
Operating Performance
(000s except for tax rate and EPS)

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30			Nine Months Ended Sept. 30		
	1990	1989	Pct. Change	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Revenues	$ 28,809	$ 19,302	+49pct.	$ 77,522	$ 57,108	+36pct.
Operating income	1,319	874	+51pct.	3,861	2,852	+35pct.
Income before taxes	1,090	873	+25pct.	3,536	2,920	+21pct.
Income taxes	445	342	-	1,449	1,777	-
Tax rate	41pct.	39pct.	-	41pct.	40pct.	-
Net income	$ 645	$ 531	+21pct.	$ 2,087	$ 1,743	+20pct.
Earnings per Share Weighted Avg. no. of shares	3,050	3,063	-	3,052	3,063	-
Net income	$ .21	$ .17	+24pct.	$ .68	$ .57	+19pct.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Olin Corp. Thursday declared a quarterly dividend of 55 cents a share, payable on Dec. 10 to shareholders of record on Nov. 9.

This is the same amount paid in the previous quarter, and is the 256th consecutive quarterly dividend.

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Based on preliminary unaudited results, Ruddick Corp. (ASE: RDK) announced Thursday that consolidated sales in the fiscal 1990 of $1.4 billion increased 9 percent over the $1.3 billion reported last year.

Net income of $24 million was up 19 percent from $20.2 million reported last year. Fully diluted earnings on a per share basis in fiscal 1990 were $2.17 ($2.38 primary) compared to $1.87 ($2.07) in fiscal 1989.

Consolidated sales for the fourth quarter of the 1990 fiscal year were $358 million, up 7 percent from the $335 million reported in 1989. Net income for the quarter of $5.9 million was the same as reported for the prior year.

American & Efird consolidated sales were up 5 percent for the year with operating profit of $18.4 million, up 4 percent over last year. Approximately half of the sales increase occurred in domestic markets with the balance coming from foreign markets. As a result of current economic conditions, operating profit in the last two quarters of the fiscal year were lower than for the comparable periods last year.

Harris Teeter reported record sales and operating profit for fiscal 1990. Sales of $1.2 billion increased 11 percent over the $1.1 billion reported last year. Operating profit of $32.2 million increased 17 percent. The higher sales volume resulted from increased sales in existing stores and from sales in new stores opened during the year.

There were 130 stores in operation at the end of fiscal 1990 vs. 128 at the end of fiscal 1989. Improvement in operating profit was the result of increased sales and moderate improvement in margins during the year.

Jordan Graphics recorded a modest sales gain of 2 percent while operating profit was flat. Sales were strong in custom forms and pressure sensitive labels and, as expected, significantly lower in stock forms. Margin pressure from increasing paper costs, overcapacity in the industry, and the current softness in the economy continues to adversely affect operating profit.

Ruddick Investment Co. reported $663 thousand operating profit for the year, which earnings are related to a gain from the tendering of publicly traded securities.

Ruddick Corp. is a diversified holding company which, through its subsidiaries is engaged in four primary businesses: American & Efird Inc., manufactures and distributes industrial sewing thread and sales yarn; Harris Teeter Inc. operates a chain of supermarkets in four southeastern states; Jordan Graphics Inc. produces and distributes business forms, tags and labels; and Ruddick Investment Co., an investment manager and venture capital investor.

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EATONTOWN, NJ (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Roberts Pharmaceutical Corp. (NASDAQ: RPCX, BSE: RPC) Thursday announced that it has discontinued discussions with respect to its previously announced proposed acquisition of Medical Market Specialties Inc., a privately owned pharmaceutical company based in Boonton, N.J.

Dr. Robert Vukovich, chairman and president of Roberts Pharmaceutical Corp., stated that ''discussions have been discontinued because the parties have been unable to reach a definitive agreement for the transaction.''

Roberts Pharmaceutical Corp., founded in 1983, is engaged in the business of acquiring, developing and marketing pharmaceutical products in the United States and abroad for the treatment of cancer, respiratory disorders, cardiovascular diseases, endocrine and metabolic disorders, acute and chronic pain and urologic conditions. Roberts sells a range of products in the United States and abroad and has a portfolio of pharmaceutical products in late stages of development which offer significant therapeutic and commercial potential.

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LAGRANGEVILLE, N.Y. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Command Security Corp. (NASDAQ:CMMD) announced that it has signed a service contract with Gateway Consolidated Services Corp., d/b/a U.S. K-9 Security, located in Lake Worth, Fla.

Command will provide payroll, billing, and accounts receivable servicing for a percentage of gross revenues. U.S. K-9 Security has gross annual revenues of approximately $2 million.

William C. Vassell, president of Command, said, ''U.S. K-9 is an excellent security service provding guards, with dogs upon request, to the south Florida area. In the past they have provided security for such well-known clients as Burt Reynolds of the B.L. Stryker television series, filmed in West Palm Beach.

''U.S. K-9 Security's primary market is West Palm Beach and Palm Beach which,

according to the latest survey by Forbes Magazine, has an abundance of highly affluent residents.''

Command Security Corp. provides security services through company-owned offices in New York and Connecticut and provides back-office service agreements to independent security companies nationwide. Command is the 33rd largest security company in the United States as reported by the Security Letter Source Book 1990-1991.

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EL DORADO, AR (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Murphy Oil reports financial results.

Murphy Oil Corp.'s net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $37.6 million, $1.11 a share, Jack W. McNutt, president, announced today.

Earnings for the quarter included unusual gains of $39.1 million, $1.15 a share, mostly from sale of a 4.25 percent interest in the Ninian field in the U.K. North Sea, and an $18.7 million charge, $.55 a share, for write-down of certain assets, with $15.6 million due to a reduction in recoverable reserves at Gaviota field offshore Spain.

McNutt said, ''Excluding the unusual items, earnings for the quarter were $17.2 million, down slightly from $18.2 million for the previous quarter but significantly higher than the $2.5 million earned in the third quarter of 1989 when net income was depressed by a drop in crude oil prices accompanied by a squeeze on refined product margins, mechanical downtime at the Meraux refinery and idle super semi-submersible rigs.

Earnings from exploration and production were $10.8 million, up from $6.5 million in the third quarter of 1989. Average crude oil and gas liquids prices were up $6.65 a barrel in the U.S., $2.95 in Canada and $6.63 in the U.K. Most of the production in Gabon was still in inventory valued at $17.00.

Natural gas production increased 3 percent; average prices were up $.08 an MCF in Canada, but decreased $.09 in the U.S. and $.40 in Spain. Oil and gas liquids production increased 662 barrels a day in Canada, but was down 1,565 barrels a day in the U.S., 5,855 in the U.K. (reduced ownership) and 797 in other areas.

Exploration expenses were $19.2 million compared to $16.1 million a year ago.

Refining, marketing and transportation operations earned $12.3 million, up from $7.3 million in 1989. U.S. operations earned $8 million, up from $3.7

million in 1989. Operations in the U.K. and Western Europe earned $2.5 million compared to $2 million a year ago. Profits from purchasing, transporting and reselling crude oil in Canada were $1.8 million compared to $1.6 million in 1989.

The contract drilling business lost $4.1 million, down from a $9.7 million loss in the 1989 third quarter. ODECO's utilization rate was 63.3 percent compared to 59 percent a year ago, and average day rates were up. Extending the depreciable lives of the equipment reduced depreciation and loss for the quarter by $2.8 million and $1.7 million.

Earnings from farming, timber and real estate were $1 million, up from $.4 million a year ago, with the improvement due mostly to higher timber sales to third parties. Corporate functions incurred losses of $2.8 million in the current quarter and $4.7 million in the third quarter of 1989, with the improvement due to lower net interest.

Revenues for the quarter were $577.6 million compared to $406.8 million for the third quarter of 1989. Crude oil and gas liquids production averaged 36,846 barrels a day compared to 44,401 in 1989. Natural gas production averaged 213.5 million cubic feet a day, up from 206.8 million a year ago.

Refinery crude runs were 140,637 barrels a day, up from 123,540 in 1989. Petroleum product sales were 146,601 barrels a day compared to 141,693 in 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $95.1 million, $2.80 a share, compared to $25.7 million, $.76 a share, earned in the same period in 1989. Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 included unusual gains of $59.3 million, $1.75 a share, and an $18.7 million charge, $.55 a share, for write-down of assets.

An extraordinary credit from utilization of a financial net operating loss carryforward was offset by an equivalent increase in the provision for income taxes, so it had no effect on net income. Crude oil and gas liquids production averaged 40,194 barrels a day compared to 43,654 in 1989.

Natural gas production averaged 234.3 million cubic feet a day, up from 227.6 million in 1989. Refinery crude runs were 122,845 barrels a day compared to 120,990 a year ago. Petroleum product sales were 134,054 barrels a day compared to 132,274 in 1989.

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BOSTON (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Affiliated

Publications Inc., Thursday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 6 cents per share on Series A and Series B stock, payable Dec. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record on November 14.

Affiliated Publications is the parent company of Globe Newspaper Co., publisher of The Boston Globe. It also owns BPI Communications Inc., a leading publisher of specialty magazines, books and electronic data bases for the entertainment, arts and design markets.

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DAYTON, OH (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - L.W. Ladehoff, chairman and president of Amcast Industrial Corp. (AIZ), announced Thursday that the board of directors has declared the company's 117th consecutive quarterly dividend.

The dividend of 12 cents per share on the common stock is payable Dec. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 10.

The company has completed its previously announced share repurchase program. The directors therefore authorized management to repurchase additional shares in unsolicited transactions when considered in the best interest of shareholders. Shares now authorized for repurchase amount to 10 percent of the shares outstanding.

Commenting on the actions, Ladehoff stated, ''The board authorized the dividend and share repurchase in light of the company's good financial condition and prospects for improved near-term performance.''

Amcast Industrial Corp. is a manufacturer of technology-intensive metal products. Its two primary businesses are proprietary FLOW CONTROL PRODUCTS marketed through national distribution channels, and ENGINEERED COMPONENTS for original equipment manufacturers. The company serves four major sectors of the economy: aerospace/aviation/ defense, construction, automotive and general industry.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Belvedere Corp. (AMEX: BLV), Thursday announced results for the three month and nine month periods ended Sept. 30.

Total revenues for the third quarter increased to $7,446,000 from $7,380,000 in the third quarter of 1989 (excluding revenues of $7,131,000 from the corporation's former Bermuda subsidiaries which were sold in December 1989).

Net income for the third quarter increased to $393,000 compared to a loss of $702,000 in the same period last year. The 1989 loss was caused by Hurricane Hugo. Net income per share for the three month period was 7 cents compared to a loss of 12 cents in the comparable period of 1989, based on 5,938,000 and 5,942,000 shares outstanding for the respective periods.

Total revenues for the nine month period increased to $22,821,000 from $21,924,000 in the comparable period of 1989 (excluding revenues of $24,047,000 from the corporation's former Bermuda subsidiaries). Net income for the nine months increased to $801,000 from $667,000 a year ago. Net income per share for the nine month period increased to 13 cents compared to 11 cents for 1989, based on 5,939,000 and 5,945,000 shares outstanding, respectively.

Net investment income for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, increase to $1,549,000 and $4,602,000, respectively, from $1,214,000 and $3,562,000 for the comparable periods of 1989 (excluding the Bermuda subsidiaries).

Belvedere Corp., through its subsidiary, Belvedere America Reinsurance Co., a U.S. company, underwrites property and casualty reinsurance.

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HONOLULU (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Alexander & Baldwin Inc. (NASDAQ: ALEX) Thursday announced a fourth quarter dividend of 22 cents a share, payable Dec. 6, 1990, to shareholders of record as of the close of business Nov. 8, 1990.

Headquartered in Honolulu, A&B is a diversified corporation with operations in ocean transportation, agribusiness, and property development and management.

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HONOLULU (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Alexander & Baldwin Inc., Thursday announced that R.J. Pfeiffer, chairman, president and

chief executive officer of the corporation, has agreed to postpone his retirement to March 31, 1992.

With important capital programs planned for both major subsidiaries of Alexander & Baldwin, Inc. (A&B), A&B-Hawaii, Inc. (ABHI), and Matson Navigation Co. Inc. (Matson), the Board considers it appropriate that Pfeiffer's extensive experience be available to the corporation for another year.

ABHI has many ambitious programs under way. They include developing its real property; diversifying its agriculture operations, including coffee and macadamia nuts; continuing to seek the improvement of its sugar operations and developing byproducts for bagasse (the cane residue subsequent to crushing).

John C. Couch, president and chief executive of ABHI, has assumed the additional duties of chairman of California and Hawaiian Sugar Co. (C&H), which is located at Concord, Calif., and will be spending some of his time there. Couch said that he is delighted to have Pfeiffer's continued advice and support for the additional year.

Matson also has many projects on which it must focus: the construction of a new vessel; the purchase or construction of a new neighbor-island barge; the growth of Matson Leasing Co. Inc.; the continual introduction of new information systems; the ever-present goal of enhancing customer service; preparing to meet the possible introduction of a new competitor into the Hawaii service as well as the planned expansion of existing competition.

Mulholland said that he welcomes Pfeiffer's willingness to stay on for another year.

The board currently plans to name John C. Couch president and chief executive officer of Alexander & Baldwin Inc., upon Pfeiffer's retirement in 1992.

Headquartered in Honolulu, A&B is a diversified corporation with operations in ocean transportation, agribusiness, and property development and management.

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NEWTON, MASS. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Wedgestone Financial (NYSE:WDG) announced Thursday that it intended to consider its options in maximizing shareholder value, including a possible business combination, restructuring and/or sale of the business.

Wedgestone recently had negotiations with a party regarding a possible

business combination, which negotiations have been terminated. No negotiations with any other party are currently ongoing.

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CONWAY, AR (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Acxiom (NASDAQ:ACXM) Thursday reported earnings for the second quarter of fiscal 1991.

Consolidated revenue for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $24.97 million, compared to $20.66 million for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, a 21 percent increase. Net income for the second quarter ended Sept. 30 1990, was $1.73 million, compared to $1.60 in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, a 9 percent increase.

Per share earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were 35 cents per share vs. 32 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, a 9 percent increase.

Consolidated revenue for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $48.58 million, compared to $40.47 million for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989, a 20 percent increase.

Net income for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $2.21 million, compared to $2.78 million for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989, a 21 percent decrease. Per share earnings for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were 45 cents, compared to 57 cents per share for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989, a 21 percent decrease.

Consolidated results for the sixTionti p%riod reflect Acxiom's strategic measures in the first quarter to streamline its mailing services operation in Philadelphia and to close its catalog fulfillment services operations in Lakewood, N.J.

In the second quarter, Acxiom completed an intensive three-month effort to relocate its United Kingdom data center from London to Sunderland, England.

''This represents a tremendous team effort by our hardware and software support groups in both the U.S. and United Kingdom,'' said Charles Morgan, chief executive officer and chairman of the board. ''It allows us to reduce operating costs and better utilize our existing UK facilities.''

Several significant factors influence the outlook for the second half of fiscal 1991. Potential recessionary trends coupled with the Feb. 7, 1991, postal increase could impact recovery from the first six-month results.

Acxiom provides marketing systems, services and outsourcing to direct marketing businesses and marketing divisions of Fortune 1000 companies in the United States and United Kingdom.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Thursday reported net earnings of $59,399,000 or $1.43 per common share, for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990, compared with net earnings of $52,717,000, or $1.25 per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

Sales of products and services were $594,280,000 in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $522,254,000 in the same period of 1989.

For the nine-months ended September 30, 1990, Asarco reported net earnings of $145,365,000, or $3.50 per share, compared with net earnings of $172,052,000, or $4.08 per share, in the comparable period in 1989.

Sales of products and services for the first nine months of 1990 were $1,658,659,000 compared with $1,679,747,000 in 1989.

The increase in sales in the 1990 third quarter, compared with those of the prior-year period, was the result of higher prices and volumes for copper and lead despite lower prices for silver. Net earnings for the 1990 third quarter compared favorably with those of the prior-year period due both to higher prices in the quarter for copper and lead and to $6.4 million net after tax of non-recurring charges taken in the 1989 third quarter. Earnings in the current quarter were also affected by lower silver prices and to a lesser extent by higher costs at its Ray Mine in Arizona, whose production was affected by adverse weather conditions in July and August and a three-week labor strike in July.

Commenting on third-quarter earnings, Richard de J. Osborne, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Asarco said, ''The company's results in the 1990 third quarter reflect good operating performance and good demand for the base metals we produce. Market demand for copper, lead and zinc remained strong in the quarter despite some economic weakness in certain of the industries we serve. We see continued strong demand for our products for the balance of the year.''

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and

other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - William P. Vititoe, president of the Ameritech Enterprise Group and a member of Ameritech's (NYSE:AIT) board of directors, has announced his resignation effective Nov. 1 to become president and chief executive officer of ANR Pipeline Co. in Detroit.

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REDMOND, WA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Systems International, Inc. (NASDAQ:DGTL) Thursday announced net sales of $11.2 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, up 65% from net sales of $6.8 million for the third quarter 1989.

Net income for the third quarter was reported at $2.5 million, up 86% from net income of $1.3 million for the third quarter 1989. Earnings per share for the third quarter were $.26 on 9.3 million shares outstanding, up 44% from $.18 on 7.5 million shares for the third quarter 1989.

Consolidated results for the third quarter include results produced by the company's Voicelink Data Services subsidiary, acquired at the end of second quarter.

Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $27.2 million, an increase of 62% from $16.7 million for the same period last year. Net income for the nine months was $5.8 million, up 61% from $3.6 million for the first nine months of 1989. Earnings per share for the nine months were $.71 compared to $.50 for the same period last year.

Digital Systems International, Inc. is the leading supplier of outbound call processing systems. Users of the company's Voicelink systems enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of telephone contacts with their customers through collection, teleservicing, and telemarketing applications. Digital Systems' customers include financial institutions, utilities, Regional Bell operating companies, and other companies in the consumer credit, collections, communications, telemarketing and health care industries.

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DALLAS (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr Pepper/Seven-Up Cos. Inc. Thursday announced key management promotions including the elevation of John R. Albers to chairman and chief executive officer of Dr Pepper Co. and The Seven-Up Co. election of True H. Knowles to president and chief operating officer of Dr Pepper Co.

The announcement was made following the company's regular board of directors meeting.

Albers has served as president and chief exectuve officer of both Dr Pepper Co. and The Seven-Up Co. since mid-1988 when both soft drink firms became wholly owned subsidiaries of the new parent holding company. Albers, 59, is a 19-year veteran of Dr Pepper Co. and currently serves as president and CEO of The Seven-Up Co. He retains the title of president and CEO of Dr Pepper/Seven-Up Cos. Inc.

Knowles, 53, becomes only the 14th president in the history of the 105-year-old Dr Pepper Co. Since July 1988, he has served as executive vice president and chief operating officer of Dr Pepper Co. and senior vice president of Dr Pepper Co./Seven-Up Cos. Inc. He joined Dr Pepper Co. in 1982 as fountain/foodservice division vice president and general manager after a 19-year sales and marketing career with Procter & Gamble Co.

Albers also announced the promotions of holding company Vice-President-Treasurer Michael R. Buiter to vice president-finance & treasurer of Dr Pepper/Seven-Up Cos. Inc. and Michael S. McGrath from division vice president of Premier Beverages to corporate vice president of Dr Pepper/Seven-Up Cos. Inc.

McGrath will continue to manage Premier Beverages, Dr Pepper Co.'s sales and marketing division for Welch's carbonated soft drinks. All promotions were approved by the board of directors.

Albers acknowledged that under Knowles's leadership, Dr Pepper Co. is posting another record year for sales volume. Since 1984, Dr Pepper Co. has recorded successive record sales volume years and continues to grow at a rate three times better than the soft drink industry. Sales for 1989 were 8 percent better than the previous year.

McGrath, 44, joined Dr Pepper Co.'s fountain/foodservice division in 1982 as national accounts manager. In July 1988, he was appointed division vice

president/general manager of Premier Beverages with domestic sales and profit responsibility for Welch's carbonated soft drinks and I.B.C. Root Beer. For nine years prior to joining Dr Pepper Co., McGrath was with Procter & Gamble as a sales and national account manager.

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MALVERN, PA. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Rabbit Software Corp. (NASDAQ: RABT) Thursday announced its 1990 third quarter results.

Revenues were $2,147,400, which represents a 59 percent increase, compared to 1989 third quarter revenues of $1,348,700. Operating losses continue to be significantly reduced as compared to the prior year. The loss for the quarter was $749,000 (4 cents per share) compared to a loss of $3,155,300 (16 cents per share) for the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, revenues and losses were $6,387,900 and $1,866,500 (10 cents per share), respectively, compared to 1989 revenues and losses of $3,929,800 and $8,319,200 (49 cents per share), respectively.

Alfred R. Berkeley III, Rabbit's chairman and CEO said, ''During the third quarter we announced two significant new products, an Advanced Workstation for Microsoft's Windows 3.0 and The Visible Advantage. The Windows 3.0 implementation is an exciting opportunity for Rabbit, because it offers a way for the company to benefit from the growth of Windows in the marketplace.

''The Visible Advantage is a special implementation of our DOS workstation products designed for users needing simultaneous views of up to four full 3270 screens. Typical users for The Visible Advantage would be insurance claims processors, customer service desks and computer operators' consoles.

Rabbit Software, a member of the Safeguard Scientifics family of technology companies, specializes in the development of advanced SNA and SAA communications products. Rabbit's complete line of connectivity products span all major IBM communications protocols and operating systems and can be found in the most demanding IBM end-user environments.

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RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NC (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - CompuChem Corp. (NASDAQ:CCEM) Thursday announced results for its third quarter ended September 30, 1990.

Included in results for 1990 are those of Lifedata Medical Services, which the company acquired in early January 1990. The 1989 results do not include Lifedata.

Revenues for the quarter were up 49 percent to $16,290,000 from $10,942,000. Net income for the third quarter was $401,000, or $.05 per share compared to $1,142,000, or $.15 per share for the third quarter of 1989.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 increased 43 percent from $32,329,000 to $46,237,000. Net income for the nine months was $1,348,000, or $.18 per share compared to $2,940,000, or $.43 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Kees Verkerk, President and Chief Executive Officer, commented, ''We were pleased with our sales growth in all sectors for the third quarter. Commercial drug testing continues to show strong growth with a 37 percent increase over 1989's third quarter. Commercial environmental testing also showed strong growth over last year's third quarter with a 31 percent increase. Lifedata's sales growth continued and was above the same period last year. As expected, our two major governmental contracts continued to provide lower sales revenue than 1989.''

Verkerk continued, ''Notwithstanding healthy revenue increases, several developments caused our third quarter profits to fall considerably below both last year's levels and our expectations for the current year. Although receipts of commercial environmental samples improved, pricing remained depressed. This coupled with excess operating costs due to equipment failures prevented the environmental business from achieving the breakeven we had expected.

''The drug testing profit contribution was adversely affected by lower than expected military drug volume and a September drop-off in commercial pre-employment screening volume as a result of the Middle East crisis and general recession fears. Lifedata's profits were adversely affected by start-up costs for new regional offices and the recruitment of our national network of walk-in collection facilities.''

Summing up the outlook, Verkerk added, ''With the expenditure of over $1.5 million in new equipment and other steps taken to improve throughput, we should have lower operating costs in environmental testing in the subsequent quarters. While the commercial environmental outlook is still uncertain, we have recently been awarded four new EPA organic contracts versus one EPA

organic contract in effect during 1989. The EPA award has a value of $7.2 million over the next thirty months.

''Also, we have booked our first two major contracts with a combined value of $1 million, for our new mixed waste laboratory. We expect Lifedata's seasonally strong fourth quarter to leverage the fixed costs that we have put in place to expand our national coverage. Our commercial drug testing revenue could continue to be impacted by the hiring freezes and cutbacks in many sectors of our economy.''

CompuChem Corp., through its three subsidiaries, CompuChem Laboratories Inc., ChemWest Analytical Laboratories Inc., and Lifedata Medical Services Inc., provides specialized analytical testing services for the accurate measurement of toxic chemicals and hazardous wastes in the environment, urinalysis collection and testing services for the detection of drugs of abuse, as well as physical examinations for life insurance applicants.

The company also provides on-line data management systems for use by customers in managing their environmental and drug testing data bases. The company's environmental testing services are provided to major industrial companies, waste management companies, and consulting engineering firms, as well as the Environmental Protection Agency.

The company's forensic drug testing services are provided to the military, other government agencies and major industrial firms. The company's physical examination services are provided to insurance carriers nationally.

CompuChem Corp.
Condensed Statement of Income
(Unaudited - $000's Except Per Share Amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$16,290	$10,942	$46,237	$32,329
Income before Income Taxes	672	1,975	2,255	4,918
Provision for Income Taxes	271	833	907	1,978
Net Income	$ 401	$ 1,142	$ 1,348	$ 2,940
Net Income Per Share (1)	$0.05	$0.15	$0.18	$0.43
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding (1)	7,436,616	7,573,222	7,442,016	6,886,826

(1) Per share calculations for the nine months of 1990 are based upon 10 percent more shares primarily due to the Company's June 1989 public offering and concurrent note conversion.

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HOLYOKE, Mass. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Heritage Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ:HNIS) today announced that Fredric E. Schluter, III was elected President and Chief Operating Officer of Heritage Bancorp and Heritage Bank at a meeting of the respective Boards of Directors held October 24.

Mr. Schluter is currently Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Schluter joined Heritage in May of 1989 as Chief Financial Officer and was previously employed by Golembe Associates, Inc. of Washington, D.C. in their Boston office. Mr. Schluter holds a B.A. in Economics from Boston University and an M.B.A. in Finance from Cornell University. He is married and has two children.

The position of President has been vacant since a management restructuring in March of 1990. Elected as Chief Financial Officer to succeed Mr. Schluter was Charles Jeffrey of Northampton, presently Senior Vice President in the Finance Division.

Mr. Jeffrey joined the Bank in February, 1989 and was previously employed by Bank of America in various management positions, including Chief Financial Officer of the Payments Services Division. Mr. Jeffrey holds a B.A. in Economics from Williams College and a Masters Degree in International Economics from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. In 1971, he was awarded a Fulbright Fellowship.

In commenting on these management changes, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Richard B. Covell stated that the promotions of both Mr. Schluter and Mr. Jeffrey to key management positions is a strongly positive move for Heritage Bank. Each of the officers brings unique and varied experience to the organization and in their new positions, enhance management depth at a time when the banking industry is undergoing severe challenges.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Bally Manufacturing Corp. (NYSE:BLY) announced Thursday the realignment of its two Nevada gaming products and services divisions.

Effective immediately, the slot data systems business segment of the Bally Systems Division, Reno, Nev., will be integrated into the operations of the company's Bally Gaming Inc. Las Vegas division. The hospitality business segment of Bally Systems will be divested.

In commenting on the realignment, Bally Manufacturing Corp. President and Chief Operating Officer Roger N. Keesee stated, ''This move signifies a stronger gaming entity to serve the casino market and is to be viewed strictly as an operating decision. This consolidation follows Bally Gaming's relocation from Illinois to Nevada.''

Keesee further commented that this move is not related to the current review of the parent company's financial condition and operations.

Bally Manufacturing Corp. is a world leader in the gaming and fitness industries with four casino hotels, a nationwide network of fitness centers and a complete line of gaming equipment and systems, fitness equipment and lottery products and services.

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DAYTON, OH (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Moto Photo Inc. (NASDAQ:MOTO) Thursday announced that its board of directors has voted to extend the exercise period of its common stock purchase warrants to allow the exercise of such warrants through Nov. 25, 1991.

The warrants are currently exercisable at a price of $4.25 for each share of common stock. The warrants were originally issued by Moto Photo in November 1985 in connection with a public offering of units consisting of one share of $1.20 cumulative convertible preferred stock and two common stock purchase warrants. The warrants were scheduled to expire on Nov. 25, 1990.

In other news, the board of directors of Moto Photo elected Michael F. Adler, president and chief executive officer, as chairman of the board. Adler assumes the position vacated by the resignation for personal reasons of Dr. Robert J. Kegerreis. Adler said: ''We are deeply grateful for the contributions that Bob Kegerreis has made to our company and we will miss his wise counsel.''

Leslie Charm was elected as a board member. He is a principal in Youngman and Charm, a management consulting firm. Previously, Charm was president of Docktor Pet Center Inc. Adler further said: ''Les Charm brings a great deal of experience both from an operating and strategic perspective with superb

in-depth understanding of the franchising business. We are pleased to have him on our board.''

Moto Photo Inc. is a Dayton-based franchisor and operator of one-hour photo-finishing stores with 341 stores in operation and 20 under development in the United States, Canada, Norway and Sweden.

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David A. Mason, 513/854-6686

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THURSDAY, (OCT. 25) 1990 (OCT. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Dreyfus Strategic Municipal Bond Fund, Inc. (NYSE, SYMBOL:DSM) declared from net investment income its monthly cash dividend of $0.0595 per share of common stock, payable on November 21, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on November 8, 1990. The previous cash dividend declared in September was $0.0595 per share of common stock.

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CONCORD, MA (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad Inc. Thursday reported for the third quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, a net loss of $984,000, or $0.06 per share compared with a net loss of $3,579,000, or $0.21 per share for the third quarter of 1989.

Net sales and service revenues for the third quarter, 1990 were $43,534,000 compared to $46,097,000 for the year earlier period.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 29, 1990 the net loss was $18,150,000, or $1.05 per share compared with a net loss of $2,615,000, or $0.15 per share for the nine month period in 1989. Through the first nine months of 1990, revenues were $133,292,000 compared to $143,417,000 in the 1989 period.

The net loss for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 includes an extraordinary gain of $5,083,000, or $0.29 per share realized through the purchase of $7,500,000 face value convertible subordinated debentures issued by the company in 1986. The nine month net loss also includes restructuring charges of $10,000,000, or $0.58 per share associated with severance pay and product line rationalization.

The net loss for three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 included a reorganization charge of $3,000,000, or $0.18 per share for costs associated with severance pay, idle facilities, and product line rationalization.

GenRad Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems

and automatic test equipment, to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing, and process quality management. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its trading symbol is GEN.

CONTACT: GenRad Inc., Concord
Raymond F. McNulty, 508/369-4400, ext. 2970

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Dreyfus New York Municipal Income Inc. (AMEX SYMBOL:DNM) declared from net investment income its monthly cash dividend of $0.055 per share of common stock, payable on November 21, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on November 8, 1990. The previous cash dividend declared in September was also $0.055 per share.

CONTACT: The Dreyfus Corporation, New York
Legal Department, 212/922-6808

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WOOSTER, OH (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - FirstFederal Financial Services Corp (NASDAQ:FFSW), the holding company for First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Wooster, reported net earnings of $559,000 or 51 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990 -- a 51 percent increase over the net earnings of $370,000, or 34 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989.

Net earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $1,669,000, or $1.52 per share -- up 37.5 percent over the $1,214,000, or $1.10 per share earned for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

In announcing earnings, Richard E. Herald, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, ''The core earnings of the company continue to be very strong. The improvement in earnings for both the quarter and year-to-date are primarily a result of higher net interest income, income from retail banking services and subsidiary earnings. It is gratifying to see the improved earnings performance from FirstFederal's traditional financial services of single-family mortgage lending and retail banking services,'' said Herald.

Shareholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990, was $26.1 million, or $23.72 per share. The company's equity to assets ratio was 7.8 percent. First Federal Savings and Loan Association continues to exceed all fully phased-in capital requirements as set forth by the Office of Thrift Supervision.

On Oct. 16, 1990, the company's board of directors declared a 12 cents per

share cash dividend payable to shareholders of record as of Nov. 2, 1990. The dividend will be paid on Nov. 21, 1990.

FirstFederal Financial Services Corp's assets totaled $334 million at Sept. 30 1990. Its subsidiary, First Federal Savings and Loan Association operates nine offices in the north central Ohio counties of Wayne, Ashland, Medina and Richland.

CONTACT: FirstFederal Financial Services Corp., Wooster
Gary G. Clark, 216/264-8001

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Dreyfus Municipal Income Inc. (AMEX SYMBOL:DMF) declared from net investment income its montly cash dividend of $0.06 per share of common stock, payable on November 21, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on November 8, 1990. The previous cash dividend declared in September was also $0.06 per share.

CONTACT: The Dreyfus Corporation, New York
Legal Department, 212/922-6808

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NEW YORK (OCT.25) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Dreyfus California Municipal Income Inc. (AMEX SYMBOL:DCM) declared from net investment income its monthly cash dividend of $0.055 per share of common stock, payable on November 21, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on November 8, 1990. The previous cash dividend declared in September was also $0.055 per share.

CONTACT: The Dreyfus Corporation, New York Legal Department, 212/922-6808 Z

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EAST HANOVER, NJ (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The Ultimate Corp. (NYSE:ULT) said Thursday that its board of directors has voted to amend one provision of the company's Shareholder Rights Plan adopted April 11, 1990.

The amendment relaxes from 10 percent to 15 percent the beneficial ownership of Ultimate's common shares required to ''trigger'' the exercisability of rights under the Plan.

According to the announcement made by Ultimate Chairman, President and Chief

Executive Officer Michael J. O'Donnell, the Plan originally called for the exercisability of the rights by shareholders upon the accumulation by a beneficial owner of 10 percent or more of the company's shares, or by a tender or exchange offer for 20 percent or more of the company's shares.

The amendment does not affect the provision for tender or exchange offers or any other provision of the Plan.

In commenting, O'Donnell said: ''In today's market, the 10 percent trigger seemed unduly restrictive to long-term investors. The Plan protects the shareholders by encouraging a potential acquirer to negotiate with the company's board.

''After due consideration, the board decided that protection can be provided with a 15 percent trigger, and so adopted the amendment. The board still believes that this Plan is the best available means of protecting shareholders' equity investment from unfair or coercive bidding tactics.''

Ultimate provides business solutions to companies of all sizes by integrating system-level software and applications software on hardware platforms from premier computer vendors such as Bull HN, Hewlett-Packard, IBM and Sequoia Systems.

The firm also provides education, training, consulting and field-maintenance services to customers across a wide range of vertical markets. In addition to its domestic operations, Ultimate has subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, Canada, France and Australia.

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or
South Coast Group, Tustin, Calif.
Joseph Allen, 714/731-4341

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NORTH ANDOVER, Mass. (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Intrex Financial Services Inc. (NASDAQ-TREX), the parent holding company of Lawrence Savings Bank Thursday announced results of operations for the third quarter of 1990.

Intrex had a net loss for the third quarter of $2,464,000 or 58 cents per share as compared with a net loss of $3,335,000 or 79 cents per share for the same period of 1989. The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $6,903,000 or $1.63 per share as compared to a net loss of $7,845,000 or $1.85 per share for the same period of 1989. Because of the operating loss carryforward, there is no tax benefit recorded for either quarter or either nine month period.

The net interest income totaled $2,271,000 for the third quarter 1990 as compared to $2,219,000 for the third quarter 1989. The 1990 third quarter provision for possible loan losses was $1,300,000 as compared to $3,000,000 for the third quarter of 1989. The company also had write-downs and expenses on certain real estate owned and property formerly held in a joint venture of $908,000 and $13,000 in the third quarter of 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Non-performing assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $27,773,000 as compared to $28,942,000 at Dec. 31, 1989.

Total assets were $356,330,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, up from $354,040,000 at Dec. 31, 1989. Net loans decreased to $255,842,000 from $257,222,000 and deposits were $262,385,000 up from $253,830,000 for the same periods.

Intrex's capital-to-asset ratio was 12.66 percent at Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to 14.67 percent at Dec. 31, 1989.

Paul Miller, president and CEO of Intrex, stated that the slowdown of area's economy is expected to continue. The economy is now beginning to look like we may be entering a recession of some duration.

Intrex is headquartered in North Andover, Mass. Intrex common stock is traded over the counter on the NASDAQ National Market system. Lawrence Savings Bank has seven retail offices throughout the Greater Lawrence area.

CONTACT: Intrex Financial Services, North Andover Paul A. Miller, 508/975-6905

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GREENVILLE, SC (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Delta Woodside Industries Inc. (NYSE: DLW) reported increased sales, but lower earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990 were $128,696,000 an increase of 8 percent over the net sales of $118,840,000 during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Of this increase, $7,201,000 was attributed to the office supply business acquired in November 1989.

Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990 was $2,468,000 as compared to $3,824,000 in the prior year quarter - a decrease of 35 percent. On a per share basis, earnings were 13 cents per share on the 18,714,548 average shares outstanding in the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, as compared to 21 cents per share on the 18,604,629 average shares outstanding in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Delta Woodside's order backlog at Sept. 29, 1990, was $131,500,000, down 12

percent from the $149,000,000 total at Sept. 30, 1989.

In commenting on the results, E. Erwin Maddrey II, president said, ''We are pleased that our net sales have grown to the point that they are now exceeding the prior year amount. We expect the net sales and the net profit comparison to be positive in our second quarter ending in December 1990.''

Delta Woodside Industries Inc., headquartered in Greenville, sells and manufactures a wide variety of textile fabrics and apparel and is also engaged in the retail distribution of office supplies and equipment.

The company, which has 8,000 employees in four states and Costa Rica, operates 33 plants, 8 garment outlet stores and one office products distribution center with 9 branches.

CONTACT: Delta Woodside Industries Inc., Greenville; Jane H. Greer, 803/232-8301

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DERRY, NH (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Cornerstone Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:CSTN) a bank holding company located in Derry, N.H., announced a net loss of $1,933,000, or $.92 per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net income of $204,000, or $.10 per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The net results in both the third quarter of 1990 and 1989 included extraordinary gains from the repurchase of Cornerstone's convertible subordinated debentures of $83,000 and $18,000, respectively. As previously announced on Oct. 10, 1990, the 1990 third quarter loss was a result of provisions relating for possible loan losses, real estate acquired through foreclosure, and the company's limited partnership interest in a real estate joint venture, aggregating $2,000,000.

The provision for estimated loan losses in the third quarter of 1989 was $93,000.

During the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Cornerstone incurred a net operating loss of $2,712,000, or $1.29 per share before extraordinary gains of $124,000, or $.06 per share, resulting in a net loss of $2,588,000, or $1.23 per share. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, Cornerstone earned $840,000, or $.39 per share before extraordinary gains of $84,000 or $.04 per share, for net income of $924,000, or $.43 per share.

The balance of non-accrual status loans increased from $2,290,000 at June 30, 1990 to $3,374,000 at Sept. 30, 1990. Other real estate owned declined from $2,942,000 at June 30, 1990 to $1,855,000 at Sept. 30, 1990. The decline in

other real estate owned was a result of write-downs and sales during the third quarter. At Dec. 31, 1989 balances of non-accrual status loans and other real estate loans was $513,000 and $3,854,000, respectively. The reserve for loan losses was $2,464,000, or 2.74 percent of outstanding loans, and 73 percent of non-performing loans at Sept. 30, 1990.

John M. Terravecchia, chief executive officer of Cornerstone, stated, ''The company continues to be negatively affected by the generally adverse real estate market in New England and by other factors beyond its control. The previously announced provisions were steps taken to reflect the level of risk which management believes exists in the loan portfolio and the continuing unstable regional economy.''

Terravecchia further stated, ''While there can be no assurance as to the direction of the regional economy in the near term, we believe Cornerstone remains a strong financial institution with a primary capital ratio at Sept. 30, 1990 of approximately 9.3 percent.''

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $158,170,000, declined 2 percent from December 1989 assets of $161,682,000, while deposits increased 2 percent over the same period to $138,468.00.

Cornerstone Financial Corp. is the holding company for Cornerstone Bank. On Oct. 1, 1990 Cornerstone merged Derry Bank and Trust Co. and Cornerstone Bank under a commercial bank charter with the name ''CORNERSTONE BANK.''

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Robert E. Benoit, 603/432-9517

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HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The Advest Group Inc. Thursday reported a loss for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30 of $4.6 million, or 45 cents per share, compared with earnings of $1.9 million, or 19 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

For the year, losses were $9 million, or 87 cents per share, compared with earnings of $7.2 million, or 70 cents per share, in fiscal 1989.

Revenues for the quarter were $54.3 million, down from $55.1 million during the year-earlier quarter. Revenues for the year were $211 million, down from $215.5 million for the previous year.

''Events in the Middle East as well as the budget stalemate in Washington had a noticeable impact as individual investors decreased their trading activities and the markets generally declined during the later part of the quarter,'' said Allen Weintraub, chief executive officer.

''The continuing deterioriation of real estate values in New England further contributed to the quarter's results. However on a positive note, we are pleased that non-performing assets at Advest Bank have improved from the previous quarter,'' he said.

The fourth quarter's loss included a $3 million provision against assets held by Advest Credit Corp. and the holding company. Also included was a $2.5 million additional loan reserve provision and $1.1 million in write downs of other real estate owned by Advest Bank. The holding company also reported realized and unrealized investment gains of $2.5 million and $0.5 million, respectively.

For the full fiscal year, the results include a $9.1 million provision against assets held by Advest Credit Corp. and The Advest Group. Also included is a write down by Advest Bank of $2.9 million for other real estate owned and investments owned as well as a $4.1 million addition to loan loss reserves.

Advest Bank reported a relatively modest net loss of $0.9 million for the year despite absorbing these charges. Advest Bank also increased loan loss reserves to $4.6 million, an increase of $2.1 million. Reserves at year-end amounted to 1.47 percent of total outstanding loans, vs. 0.71 percent at the end of 1989. Also, reserves amounted to 44 percent of nonperforming loans vs. 29 percent at the end of 1989.

Within Advest Inc., the company's broker/dealer, trading profit and commission declines as well as increased expenses were the primary causes of the $2.9 million loss. The expense growth was the result of payroll costs from two acquisitions made during the year and expenses relating to an operation that has been discontinued.

The company continued to generate positive cash flow (losses reduced by amortization, depreciation and provisions for credit losses) of $4.2 million for the quarter and $15 million for the year. The Advest Group Inc. is a diversified financial services company headquartered in Hartford, Conn. It is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and trades under the symbol ADV.

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BAYSIDE, NY (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - The Home Savings Bank (NASDAQ:HMSB) Thursday reported net income of $486,000, or 4 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990 compared with net income of $5 million, or 42 cents per share, in the same period of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net income was $7.2 million, or 59 cents per share, vs. net income of $17.4 million, or $1.45 per share, in the year-ago nine months.

The principal factors affecting the quarterly and year-to-date results in 1990 were lower levels of net interest income, resulting primarily from interest income foregone on non-performing loans, combined with higher provisions for loan losses, according to Richard A. Kraemer, chairman, president and chief executive officer. He also stated that the third quarter earnings were impacted by a write-down of Home's investment in a joint venture real estate project and expenses associated with the proposed merger with a subsidiary of H.F. Ahmanson & Co.

Net interest income after the provision for loan losses was $8.8 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared with $11.5 million in the year-ago three months. For the year to date in 1990, net interest income after the provision for loan losses was $32.1 million vs. $39 million in the same period of 1989. The net interest margin was 2.85 percent for the 1990 third quarter compared with 3.11 percent for the 1990 second quarter and 3.06 percent for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The provision for loan losses was $1.6 million for the quarter and $2.1 million for the year to date in 1990 vs. $225,000 and $675,000 in the respective 1989 periods. ''The increase in the provision for loan losses reflects the general deterioration of the real estate market in the Bank's primary lending area,'' said Kraemer.

The allowance for loan losses amounted to $7.5 million at the end of the 1990 third quarter, up from $2.2 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Nonaccrual loans and other real estate owned were $74.7 million and $3.2 million at quarter end in 1990 compared with $62 million and $3.4 million, respectively, at June 30. Restructured loans totaled $4.5 million, at Sept. 30, unchanged since June 30.

Other operating income was $148,000 for the quarter and $1.3 million for the nine months in 1990 vs. $669,000 and $2.8 million in the respective year-ago periods. During the 1990 third quarter, the bank wrote down its investment in a joint venture real estate project, resulting in pretax losses of $456,000 for the quarter and $500,000 for the year to date. Noninterest expenses were $6.7 million and $18.2 million for the quarter and nine months in 1990 compared with $5.3 million and $16.2 million in the respective prior year periods. The increase is due primarily to expenses of approximately $485,000 and $875,000 in the quarter and nine months in 1990 associated with the proposed merger with a subsidiary of H.F. Ahmanson & Co.

At Sept. 30, total assets were $1.51 billion, loans were $1.21 billion, and deposits amounted to $1.14 billion. Shareholders' equity of $242.3 million represented 16.02 percent of total assets, or $20.14 per share.

The Home Savings Bank, with 13 full-service banking offices in the New York metropolitan area, offers deposit accounts, mortgage lending and other traditional banking services.

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Morgen-Walke Associates, New York
Edward Nebb or Bill Newbould, 212/986-5900

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - A new research service specializing in consumer entertainment preference studies has been formed by the BPI Information & Research Group.

The service will provide syndicated and customized consumer research data covering major segments of the entertainment industry. These include most types of recorded music (CDs, LPs & tapes), home video and films.

''Today, entertainment preferences are segmented among a bewildering array of special interests,'' says BPI Information and Research Group President Martin R. Feely. ''Precise data is crucial for marketing in a fragmented and narrowcast environment.''

The service will provide a comprehensive package of syndicated and proprietary information that will segment consumer interests, perspectives and preferences geographically, demographically and psychographically. The information will be available to entertainment industry and consumer products companies, entertainment hardware and software retailers, and advertising agencies and marketing firms.

Depending upon the scope and goals of client needs, ''The most appropriate research methodologies will be applied to aid in client problem-solving and decision making,'' Feely says. These will range from examination of national probability panel data and telephone surveys to proprietary systems examining attitudinally and behaviorally-based market structure analysis.

The service will become operational in January of 1991 with fully staffed research and sales departments. It will be marketed through the BPI Entertainment Marketing Group and research findings will also be available through many BPI publications and databases.

BPI Information & Research Group is a BPI Communications and Affiliated Publications (NYSE:AFP) company. A FORTUNE 500 media corporation, Affiliated is best known as the publisher of the BOSTON GLOBE. BPI Communications is parent to ADWEEK, BILLBOARD, BACKSTAGE, MUSICIAN, THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER and

other entertainment industry publications.

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DALLAS (OCT. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - Mary Kay Corp. Thursday announced it has amended the terms of its outstanding tender offer for its 15 percent discount debentures due 2000.

The amendment increases the amount of debentures the company is offering to purchase to $122.5 million, equal to about 71 percent of the outstanding debentures. The debentures will be purchased at par plus interest accruing after Nov. 30, 1990, if the tender offer is extended beyond that date.

Holders who consent to certain proposed amendments to the terms of the debentures will also receive a cash payment of $10 per $1,000 of debentures. The tender offer is now scheduled to expire at midnight on Nov. 13. The company originally offered to purchase $110 million, or approximately 64 percent, of the outstanding debentures in an offer that was to have expired Oct. 30.

The company has also modified the terms of the consent solicitation being made in connection with its tender offer by changing the amendments it is seeking to the terms of the debentures. These modifications include the addition of a sinking fund for the debentures commencing in 1997 and certain modifications to other financial covenants.

These modifications, as well as changes to the terms of the tender offer, resulted from numerous discussions concerning appropriate convenant protection for the debenture after the tender offer. Parties to these discussions included representatives of the company, its financial advisers and several large institutional holders.

In light of the changes to the tender offer and the consent solicitation, the company has extended to midnight Nov. 2, 1990, the period during which holders of the debentures may consent to the proposed amendments and receive a consent payment. The company has also extended to midnight Nov. 2, 1990, the period during which tendered bonds would be given priority for purchase in the tender offer.

Based on its conversations with holders of debentures, the company does not expect to further extend either the solicitation period or the priority period.

The tender offer is being made in connection with the refinancing of debt of Mary Kay Cosmetics Inc. (MKCI), a wholly owned subsidiary of the company, and

the planned repurchase of approximately $17.5 million of approximately $73 million principal amount of outstanding company notes held primarily by members of the company's founding family.

The company also expects to purchase approximately $10 million of stock options from 32 key employees of the company as part of the transaction.

The tender offer is conditioned, among other things, on the receipt of all the necessary financing and of consent to the proposed amendments by the holders of a majority of the outstanding debentures. The company has received informal expressions of interest from several purchasers with respect to the purchase of sufficient MKCI debt to consummate the refinancing and recapitalization.

The tender offer is not conditioned on any minimum amount of debentures being tendered.

As of midnight Oct. 24, 1990, approximately $30,179,500 aggregate principal amount of debentures have been tendered to the Bank of New York, the depositary for the offer. The revised terms of the tender offer and consent solicitation, as well as updated company and MKCI financial information, are contained in a supplement to the company's offer to purchase.

A copy of the revised terms and updated financial information can be obtained from The First Boston Corp., the dealer-manager for the offer, or Dewe Rogerson, the information agent.

CONTACT: Mary Kay Corp., Dallas Dwight Smith, 214/720-0607

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#90298c0002 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:16 that trade in RS Financial Corp.(NASDAQ: RFBK) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1 3/8. The company is located in Raleigh, NC.

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#90298c0003 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:19 that trade in VSB Bancorp (NASDAQ: VSBC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7. The company is located in Closter, NJ.

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#90298c0004 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:20 that trade in Ithaca Bancorp (NASDAQ: ITHB) has been halted because of the dissemination of

news. The last sale was 5 1/4.

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#90298c0005 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in Amity Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: AMTY) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3. The company is located in New Haven, CT.

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#90298c0006 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:43 that trade in Calgon Carbon Corp.(NASDAQ: CRBN) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 33 1/2. The company is located in Pittsburgh, PA.

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#90298c0007 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 23:

American Reliance Group Inc. (ARIG); Company request - listed on AMEX
CIMM Inc. - Cl. A Wts. (CMOWE); Insufficient number of active market makers
J.W. Gant Financial Inc. - Uts. (JWGFU); Uts. will trade on the Boston Stock Exchange

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#90298c0008 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Oct. 24:

Adtec Inc. (JAILE) to (JAIL)
Pickett Suite Hotel Master L.P. I - Uts. (PSHPZ) to PSH Master L.P. I - Uts. (PSHPZ)

Prime Resources Corp. (PLDS) to Prime Telecommunications Corp. (PLDS)

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#90298c0010 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Somerset Bankshares (TICKER: SOSA) lost $5.27 million, or $1.15 per share, on revenues of $14.97 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $432,000, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $16.30 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90298c0011 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced that trade in MCA Inc. has been resumed. The comapny is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol MCA. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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#90298c0012 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:05 that trade in Riverside Group (NASDAQ: RSGI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 1/2. The company is located in Jacksonville, FL.

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#90298c0013 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:07 that trade in Carolyn Bean Publishing has been halted pending news. The last bid\ask was 4 1/4, 4 3/4. The company is located in Hayward, CA.

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#90298c0014 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:17 that trade in Homeowners Group Inc.(NASDAQ: HOMG) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 5 1/2. The company is located in FT Lauderdale, FL.

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#90298c0015 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:22 that trade in Ithaca Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: ITHB) has been resumed. The first sale was 4 1/2; down 3/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 351
#90298c0016 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Educational Products (TICKER: AMEP) earned $127,639, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $1.23 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $121,283, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $1.01 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90298c0018 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hoover Capital Inc. lost $1,617 on no revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $16,629, or $0.03 per share, on no revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Hoover is a development stage company incorporated in November, 1989 as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Express Capital Concepts Inc.

The company was organized with the intent of distribution of ownership to stockholders of Express and the subsequent combination of the company with an as-yet-unidentified privately held business.

Hoover reports it has no present source of revenue.

Its executive offices are located at 6160 South Syracuse Way, Suite 310, Englewood, CO 80111, and its telephone number is (303) 741-0400.

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#90298c0019 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Washington Capital Inc. lost $1,389 on no revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $16,376, or $0.02 per share, on no revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reports it was incorporated on Nov. 29, 1989 as a wholly owned subsidiary of Express Capital Concepts Inc.

It is a development stage enterprise organized with the intention of distribution of ownership to stockholders of Express and the subsequent combination of the company with an as-yet-unidentified privately-held business.

Washington has no present source of revenue.

The company's executive offices are located at 6160 South Syracuse Way, Suite 310, Englewood, CO 80111, and its telephone number is (303) 741-0400.

-30- 989

#90298c0020 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Jefferson Capital Inc. lost $1,666 on no revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $16,688, or $0.04 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

Jefferson was incorporated in July, 1989, as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Express Capital Concepts Inc.

The company's activities have to date, it reports, been limited to organizational matters and the sale of 400,000 units to Express for $5,000.

The company states it has no present source of revenue and its expenses have been limited to costs of the offering, general and administrative expenses and interest expense.

The company's offices are located at 6160 South Syracuse Way, Suite 310, Englewood, CO 80111, and its telephone number is (303) 741-0400.

-30- 993

#90298c0021 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows American Telecommunications Corp.(TICKER: AMTT), a Texas subsidiary of American Telecommunications Corp., acquired on Oct. 12, 1990 from U.S. Operations Limited (USO), certain contract rights to provide telecommunications services to properties.

USO is a Texas limited partnership located in Dallas, Texas.

American thereby assumed the obligations of USO under the contracts assigned; agreed to pay USO the sum of $100,000 in five equal weekly installments starting Oct. 12, 1990; and agreed to pay USO an amount equal to 3.0163 times the average gross revenues generated from the properties serviced under the contracts assigned to American for the months of October, 1990, February, 1991 and March, 1991.

-30- 967

#90298c0022 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:49 that trade in Calgon Carbon Corp.(NASDAQ: CRBN) has been resumed. The first sale was 31; down 2 1/2 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 351

#90298c0023 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:53 that trade in VSB Bancorp (NASDAQ: VSBC) has been resumed. The first sale was 5 1/2; down 1 1/2 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 338
#90298c0024 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:00 that trade in Indiana Bancshares (NASDAQ: INBK) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 16 1/2, 17 3/4. The company is located in Greenwood, IN.

-30- 355
#90298c0026 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:30 that trade in Carolyn Bean Publishing LTD(NASDAQ: CBEN) has been resumed. The first bid was 4 1/4; up 1/4 point from the halt, and up 1/2 point from the previous close.

-30- 378
#90298c0027 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:06 that trade FLS Holdings Inc.(NASDAQ: FLSH) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 35. The company is located in Tampa, FL.

-30- 329
#90298c0030 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:20 that trade in Indiana Bancshares (NASDAQ: INBK) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 16, 17 1/2; down 1/2 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 358
#90298c0031 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:40 that trade in RS Financial Corp.(NASDAQ: RFBK) has been resumed. The first sale was 4 1/2; up 1/8 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 346
#90298c0032 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:58 that trade in American General Corp.(NASDAQ: AGC) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

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#90298c0033 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is also filed for AIM 84, AIM 85 and AIM 88. On Oct. 22, 1990, CRIIMI MAE and AIM filed a motion for preliminary injunctive relief from violations of the 1934 Securities Exchange Act. The motion was filed in connection with the complaint filed by CRIIMI MAE and AIM against AIM Capital Management Corp. On Oct. 23, CRI Insured Mortgage Assn. announced a revision to the offer lowering the preferred stock dividend the Liquidating REIT pays to CRIIMI MAE. Another revision reduces by 75 percent the fee paid to brokers when investors choose CRIIMI MAE.

-30- 770

#90298c0035 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:50 that trade in Unisys Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol UIS.

-30- 300

#90298c0037 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows AFG Industries (TICKER: AFG), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Clarity Holdings Corp., announced its intention to reopen its Cinnaminson, New Jersey, float glass facility, effective Feb. 1, 1991.

The Cinnaminson facility ceased manufacturing operations temporarily on Dec. 31, 1989. The facility manufactures float glass, primarily serving the northeast market.

-30- 598

#90298c0038 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Grason Industries Inc. and Midwest Inns Corp. Inc. signed a letter of intent on Oct. 18, 1990, whereby Grason will acquire all of the outstanding shares of Midwest in exchange for restricted shares of Grason's common stock.

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#90298c0039 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Sovereign Bancorp(TICKER: SVRN) on Oct. 16, 1990, dismissed its former accountants, KPMG Peat Marwick, for economic reasons, effective at conclusion of the company's financial statements for the year ending Dec. 31, 1990.

The company subsequently engaged the firm of Ernst & Young to audit its

financial statements for the year ending Dec. 31, 1991.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 773

#90298c0040 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Chiles Offshore Corp.(TICKER: CHC), on Oct. 11, 1990, acquired five jack-up offshore drilling rigs, one semi-submersible offshore drilling rig and various spares and related equipment, including drill pipe, from Penrod Drilling Corp. for a total of $46.0 million.

-30- 483

#90298c0041 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Provident American Corp.(TICKER: PAMC) on Aug. 28, 1990, commenced to offer in a private placement, on a best-efforts basis, 1.15 million shares of its common stock at $3.625 per share, to a limited number of qualified investors.

The minimum purchase is 15,000 shares, unless waived by the company.

The offering terminated as of Oct. 15, 1990. As of Oct. 12, 1990, 823,500 shares have been sold, producing gross proceeds of $2.99 million.

Provident states it will contribute a substantial portion of the net proceeds of the private placement to the surplus of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Provident Indemnity Life Insurance Co.

-30- 872

#90298c0042 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Al's Formal Wear Inc.(TICKER: ALFO) on Aug. 15, 1990, entered an agreement with Al Sankary, president, chief executive officer and a director of the company, regarding the offset of certain amounts owed by Al's Formal Wear to Sankary and his wife against certain amounts owed by Sankary and affiliated companies to Al's.

As of that date, Sankary and affiliated companies owed $1.47 million to Al's.

Al's owed $232,890 to Sankary and his wife on a revolving note, and $353,170 on a real estate note, for a total of $586,060.

The net amount owed by Sankary and affiliated companies after the offset was

$879,851.

The Sankarys subsequently canceled the revolving note and the real estate term note, and the company received a promissory note from Sankary and companies in the original principal amount of $650,008.

-30- 1075

#90298c0043 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Old Tyme Soft Drinks Inc. on Oct. 16, 1990, filed for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York.

The company's current officers and directors will continue to operate and manage the business of the company, subject to orders from the bankruptcy court.

William B. Wachtel and Robert Fain resigned as directors of the company on Oct. 12, 1990.

The company's executive office is located at 933 Route 23 South, Pompton Plains, NJ 07444 and its telephone number is (201) 839-5454.

-30- 806

#90298c0045 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows shareholders of Interline Resources Corp., formerly Port City Corp., approved on Oct. 22, 1990, the acquisition of all issued and outstanding shares of Northcut Energy Inc., a recently formed Utah corporation.

Interline's shareholders and board of directors adopted resolutions to effect a 1 for 10 reverse split of Interline's issued and outstanding shares of common stock and common stock purchase warrants.

The acquisition was closed Oct. 22, 1990. A total of 35.62 million pre-split shares (3.52 million post-split shares) of Interline's common stock were issued in connection with the acquisition transaction.

The company's name was changed to Interline Resources Corp., pursuant to the acquisition.

The following directors were elected to the company's board: Michael R. Williams, president/director, with 2.11 million shares, or 40% ownership; Timothy G. Williams, secretary/director, with 703,320 shares, or 13.33% ownership; Gearle Brooks, vice president, with 703,320 shares or 13.33% ownership; and Robert K. Ipson, director, with 296,560 shares or 5.62%

ownership.

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#90298c0046 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Adven Inc. (TICKER: BISH) announced the company's former auditors, Bomgardner, Bishop and Jeppesen P.S., resigned in that office on Sept. 27, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 565
#90298c0047 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Suffield Financial Corp.'s(TICKER: SFCP) indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary, Coastal Savings Bank, removed Richard B. Paige as chairman and chief executive officer and director of Coastal.

The board also removed James A. McKay and Warren R. Dwyer as president and director, respectively, of Coastal.

James A. Whittaker, president of Suffield Financial Corp., has been named interim chairman, president and chief executive officer of Coastal.

Charles M. Yandell, Coastal's group vice president and senior loan officer, has been appointed interim executive vice president of Coastal.

Monica Nicastri, vice president and treasurer of Suffield, has been appointed a director of Coastal.

In other news, a lawsuit in U.S. District Court for the District of Maine brought by Coastal against Suffield and Suffield Bank was dismissed by Paige, a plaintiff, without prejudice, and with prejudice by plaintiffs McKay, Dwyer, Normand Simard and Coastal Bancorp, a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Suffield Financial and Coastal Savings' parent corporation.

-30- 1339
#90298c0048 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Detrex Corp.(TICKER: DTRX) on Oct. 18, 1990, announced the following executive changes:

Louis Schlossberg, chairman and chief executive officer, will retire from the management of Detrex effective Dec. 31, 1990.

He will continue to serve as non-executive chairman of the board.

Christopher B. Stockmeyer Jr., president and chief executive operating officer will become chief executive officer effective Jan. 1, 1991.

He continues as president.

Robert M. Potter will become treasurer, effective Nov. 5, 1990.

Additionally, T. Kenneth Haven and H. Glenn Bixby will retire from the board effective Nov. 30, 1990.

George S. Kimmel and Benjamin W. McCleary were elected as directors effective Dec. 1, 1990.

-30- 937

#90298c0049 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 2 1990, a lawsuit was filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California by Craftmatic/Contour Industries Inc.'s (TICKER: CRCC) largest bed distributor, Craftmatic Pacific Inc., against Craftmatic/Contour Organization Inc., a subsidiary of Craftmatic/Contour.

The suit seeks, among other things, to rescind Craftmatic Pacific's distribution agreement with Craftmatic/Contour Organization, to void contractual obligations restricting future competition and damages for alleged breach of contractual obligations.

Craftmatic/Contour reports it is in the process of replacing Craftmatic Pacific as distributor.

-30- 890

#90298c0050 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Robert K. Harbour resigned as president and chief operating officer of Iowa Southern Utilities Co. effective Oct. 12, 1990.

Harbour also resigned as a director of the utility company and as a director and vice president of Iowa Southern Inc.(TICKER: IUTL)

He was elected to these offices Aug. 6, 1990. He stated another career opportunity as the reason for his resignation.

-30- 599

#90298c0051 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows International Lease Finance Corp.(TICKER: ILFC) earned $10.55 million (including an extraordinary loss of $4.45 million) on revenues of $116.49 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $11.71 million on revenues of $81.07 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 537

#90298c0053 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:20 that trade in Jetborne International Inc.(NASDAQ: JETS) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 1, 1 1/8. The company is located in Miami, FL.

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#90298c0054 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in American General Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol AGC. Trading was resumed at 14:15.

-30- 356

#90298c0055 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:31 that trade in Myo-Tech Corp.(NASDAQ: MYOT) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 11/32. The company is located in Boca Raton, FL.

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#90298c0056 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:33 that trade in Unifast Industries Inc.(NASDAQ: UFST) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 3/16. The company is located in Hauppauge, NY.

-30- 348

#90298c0057 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 18, 1990, KB Communications Inc. appointed BDO Seidman as its independent accountants.

KB's executive office is located at 575 Madison Ave., Suite 1006, New York, NY 10022 and its telephone number is (212) 605-0298.

-30- 458
#90298c0058 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 11, 1990, W-W Capital Corp. acquired certain undeveloped real estate located in Taylor County, Texas.

The real estate was acquired from Western Fire & Marine Insurance Co., a British Virgin Islands corporation.

The purchase price was $800,000 and this price was paid by conveying to Western Fire 80,000 shares of W-W's Series A preferred stock.

W-W's executive office is located at 118 West Wyatt Earp Blvd., Dodge City, Kansas 67801 and its telephone number is (316) 225-5722.

-30- 702
#90298c0059 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - Dreamcar Holdings Inc.(TICKER: DCAR) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 850,000 units.

Each unit consists of one share of Class B convertible preferred stock and 5 Class B redeemable common stock purchase warrants.

The initial public offering price is expected to be $3.00 per unit.

Hibbard Brown & Co. is underwriting the offering.

Dreamcar remanufactures and distributes "classic" American cars.

The company's executive office is located at 4733 Bethesda Ave., Bethesda, MD 20814 and its telephone number is (301) 907-0308.

-30- 769
#90298c0061 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - American Fibre Corp.(TICKER: AMRFF) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it earned $578,178 (including an extraordinary gain of $672,000), or $0.07 per share for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30 1990.

This compares with a loss of $113,352, or $0.02 per share, for the same period in 1989.

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

The company's executive office is located at No. 701 - 475 Howe Street,

Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6C 2B3.

-30- 649

#90298c0062 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - Instrumentarium Corp.(TICKER: INMR) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it earned 31 million Finnish marks on revenues of 1.30 billion marks for the nine-month period ended Aug. 31, 1989.

This compares with earnings of 127 million marks on revenues of 1.25 billion marks for the same period in 1989.

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#90298c0063 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The annual report filed at the NASD shows Minorco (TICKER: MNRC) earned $784.4 million (including an extraordinary gain of $555.2 million), or $1.35 per share before extraordinary items, on revenues of $264.7 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $280.1 million, or $1.64 per share before extraordinary items, on revenues of $166.1 million in fiscal 1989.

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#90298c0064 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - CAPITAL ASSOCS GENERATION OF 617 WEST END AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10024, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF NYCOM INFORMATION SERVICES INC. (TICKER: NYCM) THROUGH WESTMINSTER SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(NYCOM INFORMATION SERVICES INC. TEL: 203 322-7300)

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#90298c0065 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Oak Tree Construction Computers Inc. (TICKER: AOAK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended May 31,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$20,390	$453,249
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(518,250)	$(1,082,866)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.13)	$(0.28)

BALANCE SHEET

	May 31, 1990	May 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$717,638	$754,012
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$6,362	$504,300

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#90298c0066 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Continental Tyre Ltd.(TICKER: CLTL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,858,484	$4,855,097
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$411,429	$12,966
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,341,100	3,341,100

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Nov. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,040,660	$7,180,599
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,783,723	$1,375,860

-30- 1027

#90298c0067 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Trinity Acquisition Corp.(TICKER: TACO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 16, 1989 (Inception)

	Aug. 31, 1990	Through Aug. 31, 1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(9,040)	$(9,154)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,000,000	3,000,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$120,334	$77,686
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$(8,854)	$186

-30- 1052

#90298c0069 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Oct. 15, 1990, Commercial Programming Unlimited Inc's (TICKER: CPUI) wholly-owned subsidiary, Commerical Programming Unlimited of Philadelphia Inc., ceased operations.

The subsidiary was an operator of a proprietary business school in Phialdephia.

The decision to cease its school operations resulted from the school's inability to stem continuing losses and establish profitability.

Consequently, Commercial Programming Unlimited Inc. intends to proceed to liquidate and dissolve the subsidiary as soon as practicable.

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#90298c0070 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 16, 1990, National City Bancshares Inc. declared a five percent stock dividend of the company's common stock to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 3, 1990.

-30- 406

#90298c0071 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows at its annual board of directors meeting on Sept. 26, 1990, Club USPN Inc's board unanimously elected Richard Gorley as the president and chief executive officer of the company.

-30- 392
#90298c0072 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:45 that trade in Unifast Industries Inc.(NASDAQ: UNFST) has been resumed. The first bid was 1/8; down 1/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 358
#90298c0073 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:46 that trade in Myo-Tech Corp.(NASDAQ: MYOT) has been resumed. The first bid was 3/8; up 1/32 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 336
#90298c0074 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Daniel Green Co.(TICKER: DAGR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,559,716	$4,875,834
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(63,222)	$186,405
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$0.18
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,036,892	1,036,892

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,306,868	$19,484,982
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$8,927,338	$9,516,243

-30- 1008
#90298c0075 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Newport Pharmaceuticals International Inc. (TICKER: NWPH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$15,916,000	$8,912,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$17,000	$(793,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,340,000	11,384,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$29,675,000	$30,372,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$16,675,000	$13,128,000

-30- 1068
#90298c0077 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - Attwoods plc (TICKER: ATTW) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it earned 22.57 million British pounds, or 25.14p per share, on revenues of 232.36 million pounds for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of 15.19 million pounds, or 20.94p per share, on revenues of 124.93 million pounds in fiscal 1989.

-30- 525
#90298c0078 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Entronics Corp.(TICKER: ENTC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,398,421	$2,687,552
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(138,272)	$80,618
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$0.02

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$14,710,682	$15,582,290
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$4,857,875	$4,690,573

-30- 942
#90298c0079 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 6, 1990, A.J. LIPMAN, DIR. OF BELMAC CORP. (TICKER: BEMC), SOLD 900 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2.

-30- 298
#90298c0080 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 5, 1990, R.W. ZINNECKER, DIR. OF CNB BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: CNBE) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 307
#90298c0081 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 30, 1990, WARRINGTONS PLC, BEN. OWNER OF GROWTH DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: GDCX), BOUGHT 9,002,479 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,444,367.

-30- 363
#90298c0082 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, J.H. SERBER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF WINNERS CIRCLE INC. (TICKER: WNRS), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 452,850.

-30- 361
#90298c0083 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, R.Z. PAGNUCCO, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANKCORP INC. (TICKER:

HEBC) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,321.

-30- 312
#90298c0085 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 28, 1990, C.W. UNGLESBEE, SHAREHOLDER OF SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC. SOLD 3,440 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 325
#90298c0086 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, R.E. FLECK, DIR. OF UNITED NATIONAL BANCORP (PA) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90298c0087 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, R.E. FLECK, DIR. OF UNITED NATIONAL BANCORP (PA) BOUGHT 216 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 416.

-30- 303
#90298c0088 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, KATHRYN M ALBERTSON, DIR. OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 104,600.

-30- 314
#90298c0089 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JEAN M LEWIS, OFFICER OF ALOETTE COSMETICS INC. (TICKER: ALET), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 315
#90298c0090 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ENTWISTLE COMPANY, BEN. OWNER OF ANAREN MICROWAVE INC. (TICKER: ANEN), SOLD 1,707,800 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90298c0091 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JAMES G LEONARD, DIR. OF AMREP CORP. (TICKER: AXR), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90298c0093 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JAMES L BROADHEAD, DIR. OF BARNETT BANKS INC. (TICKER: BBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 311
#90298c0094 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JACK B HOEY, DIR. OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 305
#90298c0095 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 31, 1990, MICHAEL S BOROCZ, OFFICER OF CCNB CORP. (TICKER: CCNC), SOLD 585 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,634.

-30- 297
#90298c0096 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MICHELE J HOOPER, DIR. OF DAYTON HUDSON CORP. (TICKER: DH), BOUGHT 478 SHARES AT $52.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 478.

-30- 306
#90298c0097 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JOHN ALBERT POWERS, VP OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,575.

-30- 297
#90298c0098 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ARTHUR A SIMPSON JR, OFFICER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 331
#90298c0099 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HOWARD H KARR, VP OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90298c0101 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, FUJIO MATSUDA, DIR. OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 309
#90298c0102 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PAUL R HOOVER, DIR. OF FIRST MERCHANTS CORP. (TICKER: FRME), BOUGHT 290 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90298c0103 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 18, 1990, ROBERT J BURKE, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90298c0104 10/25/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DOUGLAS A DECAMP, DIR. OF HASTINGS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: HMF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $39.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 327
#90298c0105 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ANDREW F JOHNSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HASTINGS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: HMF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $39.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,126.

-30- 352
#90298c0106 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, JAMES E CONDON, VP OF HARTMARX CORP. (TICKER: HMX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90298c0107 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JAMES E CONDON, VP OF HARTMARX CORP. (TICKER: HMX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 292
#90298c0109 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ROBERT E SCHNEIDER, VP OF INB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INBF), BOUGHT 230 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,996.

-30- 315
#90298c0110 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, JOHN A ANTHES JR, VP OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 889 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,770.

-30- 296
#90298c0111 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, ALLEN SYKES, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,400.

-30- 317
#90298c0112 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, CHARLES N WINNER, DIR. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90298c0113 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, CHARLES N WINNER, DIR. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,500.

-30- 332
#90298c0114 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROGER D CISKIE, PRES. OF MERCANTILE STORES CO. (TICKER: MST), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90298c0115 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROGER D CISKIE, PRES. OF MERCANTILE STORES CO. (TICKER: MST), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 313
#90298c0117 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DAVID R HUHN, CHAIRMAN OF MERCANTILE STORES CO. (TICKER:

MST), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,300.

-30- 315
#90298c0118 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, PATRICK W SCOTT, DIR. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 109 SHARES AT $9.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90298c0119 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, PATRICK W SCOTT, DIR. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 144 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,148.

-30- 323
#90298c0120 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, PAHLSON MOLLER & CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NYCAL CORP. (TICKER: NYCL), BOUGHT 388,930 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,108,791.

-30- 334
#90298c0121 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DONALD W ROPP, DIR. OF PALFED INC. (TICKER: PALM), BOUGHT 539 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 290
#90298c0122 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, LON B ROGERS, DIR. OF PIKEVILLE NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PKVL), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90298c0123 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, LON B ROGERS, DIR. OF PIKEVILLE NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PKVL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,245.

-30- 316
#90298c0125 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, VERN O CURTIS, DIR. OF STORAGE PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: PSA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 320
#90298c0126 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ROBERT B MORGAN, DIR. OF RS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RFBK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,779.

-30- 305
#90298c0127 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, WARREN W WILSON, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 289
#90298c0128 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, OLYMPIA & YORK REALTY CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SANTA FE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SFX), BOUGHT 2,121,015 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90298c0129 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, OLYMPIA & YORK REALTY CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SANTA FE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SFX), SOLD 2,121,015 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,257,169.

-30- 367
#90298c0130 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, OLYMPIA & YORK SF HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SANTA FE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SFX), BOUGHT 2,121,015 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,257,169.

-30- 377
#90298c0131 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, JAMES R YEATES, BEN. OWNER OF SHL SYSTEMHOUSE INC. (TICKER: SHKI), BOUGHT 362 SHARES AT $7.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,453.

-30- 327
#90298c0133 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 30, 1990, W PAUL CARVER, TTEE OF SANTA MONICA BANK (CA) (TICKER: SMO), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90298c0134 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 23, 1990, PATRICK G RYAN, DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 311
#90298c0135 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, RAY T CHARLEY, DIR. OF SOUTHWEST NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SWPA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,400.

-30- 317
#90298c0136 10/25/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, WILLIAM D DEVINCENZI, OFFICER OF URS CORP. (TICKER:

URS), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 300

#90298d0040 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 26) - Trends noted in the world electronics industry over the next five years will confirm Europe's "disastrous" position in that sector, according to a study released Thursday by the French analysts' firm Electronics International Corp. (EIC).

The report said that Europe's trade balance in electronics should decline to a hefty deficit of 50.8 billion dollars in that year, based on the 1986 exchange rate of one dollar to one European Currency Unit, or ECU.

The report said that Europe's "real problem" in the field was to be found in "unawareness of the fact that its electronics industry is in danger of death, and of everything stemming from that fact".

It added that the European situation "shows hardly any sign of a possible recovery, even if the gradual increase of foreign companies setting up in Europe may check the rate of decline".

The European electronics industry's trade deficit was only 1.5 billion (current) dollars in 1979, but hit 34.2 billion last year, the report said.

The United States, which had a surplus of 4.3 billion dollars in 1979 in the sector, suffered its first deficit in 1984, of 1.2 billion dollars.

This increased to 7.7 billion last year, and should hit 17.9 billion dollars in the year 1995, the report said.

The big winner is Japan, which even in 1979 had a surplus of 13.2 billion dollars, rising to 62.7 billion last year, with the likelihood of an 86.8 billion dollar electronics trade surplus in 1995, the study says.

The total business done by the electronics industry worldwide is estimated at 822.3 billion dollars for 1989, and it should hit 1,368 billion in 1995, a 66 per cent increase.

The study said that Japan would .be the big beneficiary, in sectors ranging from consumer goods to data processing and semi-conductors.

The report said that Europe was not "fated to fail industrially", but that success will depend on "concerted, massive and long-lasting action" carried out with world-scale industrial groups.

-30- 2222

#90298d4350 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 25) - China's biggest diamond mine, Wafangdian, went into full production Wednesday after producing 480,000 carats of diamonds over a one-year trial period, it was reported Thursday.

The mine, in northeast China, has 54 percent of China's diamond reserves and is expected to reach an annual output of 1.18 million carats, the official New China News Agency said.

-30- 556

#90298d4370 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (OCT. 25) - A Thai airline launched Thursday the first direct commercial airlink to Phnom Penh, a company spokeswoman said.

Privately-owned Bangkok Airways is to operate chartered flights twice a week, on Mondays and Thursdays, from here to the Cambodian capital, she said.

Thailand has no relations with Phnom Penh's Vietnam-installed government and ranks among the countries which have assisted an anti-Phnom Penh guerrilla coalition most.

The first commercial flight to leave here was a De Havilland Dash 8 aircraft with a capacity of 36, the spokeswoman said. But she declined to disclose the number of passengers on the flight.

According to Phnom Penh-based sources, Bangkok Airways made several trial flights to the Cambodian capital over the last few months before deciding to open its service to compete with European airlines.

A Belgian charter company, Air Belgium, was also to start flights to Phnom Penh Thursday from Brussels using a Boeing 757. The airline will operate two flights a month between the two cities.

The French charter firm Air Liberte will begin weekly flights from Paris to Phnom Pehn on October 30, using an Airbus A300-600R.

In a bid to foil Phnom Penh's efforts to end its international isolation, the Beijing-backed Khmer Rouge warned governments and companies against passing agreements with Cambodia's pro-Vietnamese government.

The warning by the Khmer Rouge mentioned no specific country or firm.

But analysts here said it could be aimed at airlines establishing direct flights to Phnom Penh or countries such as France which announced recently a small bilateral cooperation package with Phnom Penh.

"Any agreement or treaty signed with the puppet regime installed in Phnom Penh

by the Vietnamese occupying forces is null and void," the Khmer Rouge said in a statement.

-30- 2071

#90298d4490 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 25) - The Philippine government has approved a project by the Hong Kong-based Hopewell Holdings to construct a 20 billion peso (776 million dollar) coal-fired power plant, the trade and industry department said here Thursday.

The 700-megawatt plant will be located in Batangas province, just outside Manila, and is expected to be completed in the third quarter of 1994, department spokesmen said.

The plant will be set up the build-operate-transfer system with Hopewell owning and operating the plant for at least 25 years after which it will be transferred without compensation to the state-run National Power Corp. (NPC.)

Under the terms of the contract, NPC will supply the power plant with coal and will purchase electricity from Hopewell, which in turn it will sell to smaller utilities.

Hopewell will provide 160 million dollars in equity for the plant with the balance coming from loans provided by the International Finance Corp. (IFC), the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and exporters' credits.

The plant is expected to lessen an energy shortfall in the main Philippine island of Luzon caused by the government's refusal to operate a disputed nuclear plant completed in 1985 under the administration of Ferdinand Marcos.

Hopewell Holdings is planning to form a local subsidiary called Hopewell Power Philippines to oversee the construction and operation of the plant, the spokesmen said.

It will be the second major project undertaken by Hopewell in this country. Last year, Hopewell installed a 200-megawatt gas turbine plant in the suburbs of this city, also to meet the energy shortfall.

Luzon suffered a serious shortage of electricity late last year with Manila undergoing prolonged power outages.

-30- 1970

#90298d4500 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 25) - South Korea will suffer a five billion dollar trade deficit this year because of sluggish exports, the first setback since 1986, according to the trade and industry minister.

Minister Park Pil-Soo told a seminar organized by the semi-official Korea Trade Association Wednesday that exports for the year would record 64 billion dollars, one billion dollars lower than the government-set target, representing a mere 2.6 percent increase from last year.

He also calculated that imports for the year would be around 69 billion dollars, a sharp 12.3 percent rise from last year due to higher prices of oil and raw materials caused by the ongoing Middle East conflict.

Mr. Park argued that the nation's stagnant exports are due largely to the fact that they were losing price competitiveness because of rising wages, and to industry's inability to manufacture new products with new technology.

Another factor was that the workers were not working as hard as they used to, contributing to a rise in the defect ratio of export products to 5.8 per cent this year from 4.2 percent last year and three percent in 1988.

Mr. Park, deploring low morale in the workforce, said that the government will provide active support for technological development and improvement of productivity.

-30- 1506

#90298d4720 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 25) - Japanese electrical machinery giant Toshiba Corp. said Thursday its net profit climbed 31 percent from a year earlier to a record 64 billion yen (464 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, the country's biggest electrical machinery maker after Hitachi Ltd., said sales grew eight percent in the same period to 1,584 billion yen (11.5 billion dollars), another record.

"This was largely achieved through strong domestic demand and a good performance in information-communication equipment and electronic devices," a statement said. "A strong dollar also had a favourable impact."

Sales of data communication systems and electronic devices rose eight per cent to 885 billion yen (6.4 billion dollars) while sales of heavy electrical apparatus junped 24 percent to 360 billion yen (2.6 billion dollars).

But sales of consumer products fell three percent to 339 billion yen (2.5 billion dollars), the company said. Exports, amounting to almost a third of total sales, grew two percent to 476 billion yen (3.5 billion dollars).

Toshiba said its net profit in the full year to March was expected to rise 14 percent to 110 billion yen (797 million dollars) with sales climbing six percent to 3,250 billion yen (23.6 billion dollars).

-30- 1492
#90298d4730 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 25) - Japan's leading electrical machinery maker Hitachi Ltd. said Thursday its net profit grew nine percent from a year earlier to a record 60.3 billion yen (437 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Sales climbed six percent to 1,877 billion yen (13.6 billion dollars) with higher turnover in all sectors except power systems, the company said.

Hitachi said its sales of information systems and electronic devices climbed 14 percent to 879 billion yen (6.4 billion dollars) while sales of power systems fell six percent to 372 billion yen (2.7 billion dollars).

Sales of industrial systems advanced 11 percent to 189 billion yen (1.4 billion dollars) and sales of transport system grew one percent to 172 billion yen (1.3 billion dollars). Consumer product sales rose two percent to 263 billion yen (1.9 billion dollars).

Exports, amounting to almost a quarter of the company's turnover, grew 15 percent tp 455 billion yen (3.3 billion dollars).

The company said it expected its net profit in the year to March to climb 17 percent to 135 billion yen (978 million dollars) with sales increasing five percent to 3,700 billion yen (26.8 billion dollars).

-30- 1401
#90298d4750 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (OCT. 25) - India's prime minister has earned a fortnight's respite in a political battle being projected as a showdown between secular and fundamentalist forces.

The fate of Vishwanath Pratap Singh's tenuous coalition government will be decided November 7 in parliament in a test of his legislative support.

Observers said Thursday it was a battle the 59-year-old premier would rather not win ahead of inevitable snap general elections.

"V.P. Singh will prefer to lose after hammering the point that he had sacrified his government to put down the greatest challenge to India's secularism," a senior official in the ruling Janata Dal (People's Party) said.

The official, a close associate of the prime minister, said Mr. V.P. Singh had concluded that the "position of his government has become untenable" after 11 months in power during which he has battled paralysing crisis after crisis.

He would rather go to the electorate and ask for a fresh mandate on a secular, anti-fundamentalist platform than continue as a lame duck, the official told Agence France-Presse.

Mr. V.P. Singh's latest crisis erupted Tuesday when the Hindu-revivalist Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP, Indian People's Party) cut off the legislative support sustaining his minority coalition government.

The BJP acted after the government arrested its popular president, Lal Krishan Advani, to thwart its plans to build a Hindu temple on the site of a 16th century mosque.

The crisis has put a sworn BJP enemy, former prime minister Rajiv Gandhi's Congress (I) party, in a spot.

If the Congress - which with 195 MPs is the largest single block in the parliament with an effective strength of 524, votes with the BJP on November 7 to pull down the government - it would be seen to be voting on the side of religious fundamentalism.

The parliamentary motion the government plans to introduce will ask MPs to reaffirm confidence in Mr. V.P. Singh for having saved the nation from a communal conflagration.

-30- 2228

#90298d4850 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 25) - Japanese trading company C. Itoh and Co. Ltd. said Thursday it had bought 5.1 percent of German steelmaker amd machine-tool manufacturer Klockner-Werke AG for 100 million marks (66 million dollars).

The company, describing the acquisition as the beginning of wide-ranging cooperation in several fields, said it would also form a 100 million mark (66 million dollar) venture with Klockner and Finnish steelmaker Rautaruukki Oy.

The new company, based in Bremen, will make galvanised steel sheets for cars, using technology from Japan's Kawasaki Steel Corp. Klockner will hold 50.1 percent while the Japanese and Finnish partners will each hold 24.95 per cent. Production is targetted at 400,000 tonnes a year by 1993, it said.

A company statement said the tie-up was prompted by the European Economic Copmmunity's planned market integration, the reunification of the two Germanys and democratisation in Eastern Europe.

Tadayoshi Nakazawa, vice president of the Japanese trading giant, told a news conference that the tie-up with Klockner was based on the need for the company to expand production to promote sales, especially in Europe.

"We have already begun talks on further cooperation in the fields of machinery and chemical products," Mr. Nakazawa said.

The statement said such tie-ups would include automotive parts, packaging machinery, plastic-mould machinery and plastic products.

"The two companies will set up a task force to study business and investment development including mergers and acqusitions, focussing on Western Europe as well as Eastern Europe, Asia and the United States," it said. C. Itoh and Klockner are already involved in joint steel production in Greece.

The announcement marks the first tie-up between leading Japanese and German companies since the unification of the two Germanys earlier this month. Japan's Mitsubishi group and German industrial giant Daimler-Benz AG announced a similar tie-up in March in fields ranging from motor vehicles to aerospace.

C. Itoh is one of Japan's major trading companies along with Mitsubishi Corp., Mitsui and Co. Ltd and Sumitomo Corp. Sales totalled 20 trillion yen (159 billion dollars) in the 12 months to March, ranking it second.

Klockner, Germany's fifth largest steelmaker with an annual capacity of 3.5 million tonnes, had annual sales of eight billion marks (five billion dollars) last year.

-30- 2647

#90298d4960 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA (OCT. 25) - An ornithologist in a remote part of Queensland said Friday that he had discovered a night parrot, a bird believed extinct for more than 70 years.

The bird, unfortunately, was dead.

Walter Boles, Ornithologist at the Australian Museum in Sydney, said he found it by the roadside near Boulia, about 1,350 kilometres (850 miles) northeast of here.

The night parrot (Geopsittacus occidentalis) lives (or lived) on the ground, flying only when disturbed.

The specimen found by Mr. Boles had apparently been hit by a motor vehicle.

"I knew what it was straight away," Mr. Boles told a radio interviewer, adding that he would claim a 50,000 dollar (40,000 U.S.) prize offered by the Australian Geographic magazine for conclusive proof that the night parrot still existed.

Only 22 specimens of the bird are known to have been collected -- the first in

1845 by explorer John Stuart in the Simpson Desert, South Australia, the last in 1912 in Western Australia.

The state's Minister for Environment, Pat Comben, said he was "thoroughly delighted by one of Queensland's most exciting scientific discoveries."

Newspaper reports quoted him as saying the state government was considering purchase of grazing land around the spot where the new specimen was found.

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#90298d4990 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 25) - Seven Cambodian civilians were killed and 24 wounded by resistance guerrilla action in northwestern Cambodia, a Thai army officer said Thursday.

Five traders were killed and about 20 injured Wednesday when the Soviet-made Zil military truck on which they were travelling detonated a landmine planted on a bridge at Phum Tuk Thala village on strategic Highway 5, the officer said.

The officer, based in Thailand's border town of Aranyapathet, 250 kilometres (155 miles) east of here, said the landmine was believed to have been planted by saboteurs of the Khmer Rouge 450th Division.

He said the traders had hitched a ride on the army truck.

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#90298d5010 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 25) - South African Airways was taken "totally by surprise" by a Kenyan decision to renege on an agreement to permit passenger flights between Johannesburg and Nairobi, SAA spokesman Leon Els said here Thursday.

The flights were to have begun in December after the Kenyan government announced earlier this month that it was lifting its air links embargo on South Africa.

The Kenyan decision had been criticised by Nelson Mandela, deputy President of South Africa's black nationalist African National Congress (ANC).

The official Kenya News Agency reported Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi as saying that until apartheid was fully abolished and the international community had reviewed its stance on sanctions against South Africa, he would not allow air flights between the two countries.

Mr. Els said he had not been officially informed that the December launch of flights was off.

He said the decision appeared to contradict earlier assurances he had been given that the agreement had been made between SAA and Kenya Airways and not at government level, and the Kenyan government would therefore not interfere.

As recently as Tuesday this week, airline officials had been in contact with each other to finalise plans for the Kenya Airways flight to Johannesburg every Wednesday and an SAA flight to Nairobi every Saturday, Mr. Els said.

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#90298d5090 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 25) - Japan's Fanuc Ltd. said Thursday its net profit grew 10.9 percent from a year earlier to 18.6 billion yen (135 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, the world's biggest manufacturer of numerically-controlled equipment for machine tools, said sales advanced 8.9 percent to 93.3 billion yen (676 million dollars) despite a modest fall in exports.

Fanuc said sales of computerised numerically-controlled systems rose 5.8 per cent to 70.2 billion yen (509 million dollars) while industrial robot sales grew 26.1 percent to 10.6 billion yen (77 million dollars).

Sales of other computerised numerically-controlled items rose 8.7 percent to 8.1 billion yen (59 million dollars). Laser sales soared 49.8 percent to 1.6 billion yen (12 million dollars) while sales of plastic injection-moulding equipment jumped 16.9 percent to 2.8 billion yen (20 million dollars).

Exports, accounting for almost a third of all sales, declined 1.6 percent to 27 billion yen (196 million dollars).

The company, an affiliate of Japan's biggest computer manufacturer, Fujitsu Ltd., said its net profit for the entire year was forecast to reach 37 billion yen (268 million dollars) on sales of 187 billion yen (1.4 billion dollars0

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#90298d5110 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (OCT. 25) - While admitting no wrongdoing in the 1984 murder of a controversial Chinese-American author in California, Taiwan has reached a 1.5 million U.S. dollar out-of-court settlement with the writer's widow, a newspaper reported here Thursday.

In a front-page story, the Chinese-language United Evening News quoted unnamed sources as saying the Taiwan government had agreed to a 1.5 million dollar out-of-court settlment with the widow of Henry Liu.

The widow, Helen Liu, had filed a 300 million dollar lawsuit against the Taiwan authorities before U.S. courts in late 1985, alleging that they were behind her husband's murder.

In Washington, Gerard Harper, a lawyer for Mrs. Liu said Taiwan denied any wrongdoing but agreed to pay an amount of money which he declined to specify.

The U.S. Supreme Court then dismissed the case at the request of attorneys for both sides.

Mr. Liu's killers -- Chen Chi-li, former leader of the notorious Bamboo Union gang, and his lieutenant, Wu Tun -- were sentenced to life imprisonment by a civilian court here in 1985 for gunning down the writer at his Daly City home in California on October 25, 1984.

The gangsters implicated Vice Admiral Wong Hsi-ling, former director of the now-defunct Intelligence Bureau, who was subsequently sacked and sentenced by a military court to life imprisonment.

Two of the disgraced intelligence chief's aides were also convicted of involvement in the murder. They have been released after serving 30-month prison terms.

The sentences of the two gangsters and the disgraced intelligence chief were reduced to 15 years in a clemency in memory of the late president Chiang Ching-kuo in April 1988.

The three were excluded, however, from an amnesty in May this year to mark the inauguration of President Lee Teng-hui.

Mr. Liu -- an alleged triple agent for Taipei, Beijing and Washington -- had written a critical biography of the late president.

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#90298d5150 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 25) - Albanian novelist Ismail Kadare, considered the greatest living Albanian writer, has asked for political asylum in France, his publisher, Claude Durand, of Fayard, said Thursday.

Mr. Kadare, who speaks French fluently, is currently in France which he visits frequently.

He is the author of novels including the 1980 "Nepunesi i pallatit te entrrave" (The employee of the palace of dreams), a Kafkaesque expose of totalitarianism.

He has also published a number of poems and essays.

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#90298d5160 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (OCT. 25) - The Thai government has imposed a midnight curfew on bars and nightclubs at major tourist spots as part of energy saving measures in the wake of rising oil prices caused the Gulf crisis, officials said on Thursday.

An official at Thailand's Pattaya seaside resort said owners of entertainment businesses have been given a deadline until October 31 to comply with an Interior Ministry order to close at midnight.

Owners of entertainment establishments, who can prove that their business was promoting tourism, could submit applications to remain open until 03:00 a.m., which would be considered on a case-by-case basis, he said.

The Interior Ministry directive, issued earlier this month, was aimed at "switching off" thousands of colourful neon signs to save energy.

Authorities in Thailand's northern capital of Chiang Mai, another major tourist town some 700 kilometres (430 miles) from here, said the directive was also being implemented there with entertaniment places closing at midnight.

Officials in Phuket, Thailand's tourist island in the Andaman Sea off the southwestern coast, closing time for bars and night clubs was being imposed at midnight, local officials said.

In Bangkok, a senior police officer said go-go bars and cocktail lounges in the famous Patpong redlight strip were allowed to open until 01:00 while discotheques could stay open until 02:00.

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#90298d5170 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Harare (OCT. 25) - Zimbabwe's fuel costs for the year will more than double as a result of the Gulf crisis, Minister of Energy Herbert Ushewokunzea said Thursday.

Ushewokunzea, in an interview in the daily Herald, said the government was to introduce fuel conservation ''to ensure that the country does not run out of oil''.

He did not specify what measures would be taken, but he urged motorists not to make unnecessary trips and to keep to speed limits.

Zimbabwe's fuel bill since July - for an estimated 1.3 million tonnes of oil - is now projected to rise from the 385 million Zimbabwean dollars (150 million U.S. dollars) anticipated before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait to 935 million

Zimbabwean dollars, he said.

Zimbabwe imported all its oil from Kuwait. Since the Iraqi invasion, Harare has been forced to rely on the spot market.

It is one of five African and Indian Oceans island nations that have urged the U.N. Security Council to release a Kuwaiti tanker which was carrying oil bound for the region when it was impounded in Aden under the sanctions imposed on Iraq and Kuwait.

The rise in the oil bill comes at a critical time for Harare, which is launching a major structural adjustment programme to breathe life into the country's flagging economy.

Part of the programme involves a sharp increase in desperately-needed imports. But economists fear that the plans will be severely cut back by the need to spend more cash on fuel instead.

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#90298d5300 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Beirut (OCT. 25) - A roadside bomb exploded under a car in southern Lebanon late Wednesday, killing two of its occupants and injuring the third - all three of whom were members of the Shiite Amal militia, security sources said Thursday.

The injured man was identified as Abu-Fadel, 40, Amal's artillery commander. His two bodyguards were killed when the bomb exploded under their Mercedes, the sources added.

The explosive device had been place on a road in the Shiite town of Ghaziyeh, 45 kilometres south of beirut.

After the blast, the three were rushed to a hospital in the nearby port of Sidon, where the bodyguards were pronounced dead.

An Amal spokesmen accused members of the pro-Iranian fundamentalist Hezbollah of carrying out the attack. The two Shiite groups have been locked in a bitter feud since 1988 over the control of Lebanon's powerful Shiite community. Some 2,000 people have been killed in the two-year rivalry.

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#90298d5310 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (OCT. 25) - South Korea will present a list of 15 food items to be excluded from international trade talks, government officials said Thursday amid increased hopes here of a tactical alliance with Europe against Washington.

The so-called offer list will be presented at the General Agreement of Tariffs and Trade (GATT) Uruguay Round of talks going on in Geneva on setting up a world trade system by eliminating barriers such as tariffs and subsidies.

The list includes items such as rice, beef and barley, free imports of which Seoul has always resisted, but also milk products, garlic, pork, chicken, red pepper, sesame, soybean, potato, sweet potato, tangerines, Indian corn and onion.

The decision to place the 15 items on the list was taken at a Wednesday meeting of ministers called by Deputy Minister Lee Seung-Yun, though officials agree they may have to make concessions before the GATT talks end in December.

"Nobody can say that any position will be final," said an official at the Economic Planning Board.

South Korea refuses to open its market further to the cheaper foreign products saying its farmers could not withstand the onslaught and that it needs to remain self-suffient.

Farmers have staged violent demonstrations against the Uruguay Round talks and have recently been joined by radical students. Some 200 protestant pastors were to attempt a march to the U.S. Embassy Thursday to protest the talks.

The United States has been one of the most outspoken supporters of a free market system at the GATT talks, and Washington has received most of the blame, from officials as well as dissidents, for the pressure on Seoul to open up.

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#90298d5370 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (OCT. 25) - The German airline Lufthansa said Thursday it will launch once-weekly combined passenger-air freight services from Frankfurt to Ho Chi Minh City, formerly Saigon, next week.

The airline said it would be joining a handful of other Western air carriers to establish services to the former South Vietnamese capital, while being the first to use the Boeing 747-400 jumbo jet.

Flights originating in Frankfurt will depart on Mondays, and land the next day in Ho Chi Minh City, first stopping over in Singapore, a spokesman said.

Lufthansa was taking the step in response to the economic opening measures which the Hanoi government has introduced.

Other airlines with services to Ho Chi Minh City include Air France, Thai International, Philippine Airlines, Malaysian Airlines and Garuda. Thai

International is the sole airline of a non-communist country which also has landing rights in Hanoi.

Air industry officials said that Vietnam has plans to establish, parallel to its state-own Air Vietnam airline, a new company, Air Saigon, with the help of foreign capital. Hanoi is also looking for foreign capital partners to help expand the Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City airports.

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#90298d5480 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (OCT. 25) - Economic and monetary union (EMU) will be introduced into the EEC at different speeds by different member countries, the president of the German central Bundesbank, Karl Otto Poehl said on Thursday.

"It is scarcely probable that all 12 members of the European Economic Community (EEC) can or want to participate in EMU at the beginning," he told the annual meeting of the Ecu Banking Association.

"All those who argue the case for rapid application of EMU must accept several levels of integration," he said.

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#90298d5520 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Berlin (OCT. 25) - Uncertainties about property rights in the former East Germany are increasingly proving to be a stumbling block for investments and beyond that, the economic recovery of the eastern part of Germany.

Under the communists, nearly one million pieces of land, houses and companies were confiscated by the state. Now their former owners want the properties back. The economic weekly Wirtschaftswoche asked: ''Who does East Germany belong to?''

Chancellor Helmut Kohl has appealed to officials and companies to quickly remove the barriers blocking property purchases. Firms from around the world, eager to invest in eastern Germany, are now standing in line trying to buy property sites, offices or salesrooms.

The Treuhandanstalt, or official trust office established with the mission to privatise nearly 8,000 former East German state-owned firms, wants to sell real estate properties now in these companies' possession.

The office says these firms have property which they are not at all putting to use. Such property should be made available to new small-scale companies.

Before German unification, Bonn and East Berlin had agreed that the property confiscations carried out between the end of World War Two in May, 1945 and the

establishment of East Germany in October, 1949 should not be rescinded. But private property confiscated by the communist regime after 1949 should be returned.

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#90298d5550 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Damascus (OCT. 25) - Soviet presidential adviser Yevgeny Primakov arrived Thursday in Damascus for talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad on the Gulf crisis.

In a statement quoted by the Syrian news agency Sana, Primakov said he was bringing a letter for Assad from Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

He said Syrian-Soviet relations ''are close and we are continuing coordination and consultations with the Syrian leaders in the light of the complicated events witnessed in the region,'' Sana said.

Primakov was welcomed by Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa, Sana reported.

The Soviet envoy had flown in from Cairo, where he is to return Friday for talks with Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak.

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#90298d5650 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (OCT. 25) - Seven soldiers were killed in an ambush by suspected Tamil rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam in northeastern Sri Lanka Thursday morning, military officials said.

The soldiers were returning after a routine patrol towards the northeastern port city of Trincomalee when the incident occured. The rebels took the dead soldiers' communications equipment and weapons, they said.

The incident took place as thousands of Moslems were fleeing from a northwestern island after posters appeared advising all Moslems to vacate the place by Friday. The refugees fled Mannar Island to the nearby Vavuniya and Puttalam districts.

Deputy Defence Minister Ranjan Wijeratne issued shoot-at-sight orders against anyone trying to get the Moslems off the island.

Tamil rebels were believed responsible for the posters.

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#90298d5710 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EINDHOVEN, Netherlands (OCT. 25) - The Philips electronics group is to shed between 35,000 and 45,000 jobs worldwide, or about 15 per cent of the workforce, by the end of 1991, Philips president Jan Timmer said here on Thursday.

Mr. Timmer, who was appointed three months ago and charged with rescuing the company, also announced that Philips would not be paying a dividend for 1990.

The company, which had earlier announced that it was cutting 10,000 jobs, also announced a net loss of 1.8 billion guilder (1.06 billion dollars) in the first nine months of 1990, compared with a profit in the same period of last year of 685 million guilder.

Mr. Timmer said that the firm estimated losses its year would be higher than the two billion guilders (1.18 billion dollars) estimated last July because restructuring costs were higher than the 2.7 billion guilders (1.5 billion dollars) budgeted.

On September 30, 1990 Philips employed 285,700 people throughout the world, and Mr. Timmer told a press conference that the cutbacks would affect "all of the countries in which Philips is present and in all sectors of group activity".

The latest cuts will be in addition to the cuts of 10,000 in the sectors computer engineering and integrated circuits which have been responsible for the biggest losses, he said.

"It is now a matter, no longer of cutting into loss-making sectors of activity but of acting so that we produce better, simpler and cheaper," he said.

There would be no special budget for the new phase of rstructuring which would involve a "radical change in mentalities" in a stratified company, Mr. Timmer said.

"Our directors will have to act within their budgets," he stressed.

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#90298d5720 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (OCT. 25) - The International Organization for Migrations (IOM) and the European Economic Community Thursday repatriated 400 Vietnamese workers, who had crossed into Turkey from Iraq, on two chartered flights from Diyarbakir, IOM and EEC officials said.

On Wednesday two chartered Turkish Airlines jetliners flew 394 Vietnamese back to Hanoi from the eastern Turkish city.

They were the first of around 1,100 people due to be brought home by Saturday,

according to IOM and EEC sources.

The Hanoi government late last month appealed to the international community to help repatriate the estimated 16,000 Vietnamese threatened by a lack of supplies and medicine in the wake of the U.N.-imposed embargo following Iraq's annexation of Kuwait in early August.

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#90298d5730 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (OCT. 25) - Thousands of students demonstrated in Dhaka Thursday, carrying placards demanding that the government reopen the universities and other educational institutions closed indefinitely since October 13.

The demonstration called by the All-Party Students Unity group signalled growing public anger over an ordinance passed by President Hussain Muhammad Ershad which curbed university autonomy.

The government used the new law to shut down four universities and more than 500 colleges and schools, forcing students to leave campus.

Police in riot gear Thursday kept a strict watch on the road leading to the building housing the Department of Education, which was the target of student protests earlier.

University faculty and lawyers associations have challenged the new ordinance in the country's supreme court, and student leaders have threatened to go on hunger strike over the issue.

The closures were ordered amidst violent street agitation by oppositiion parties demanding the government's resignation and elections under a neutral authority.

Eight people, including two students, died in the violence which erupted on October 10.

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#90298d5750 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 25) - Chinese lawmakers began Thursday to review draft legislation that calls for the death penalty in serious cases involving narcotics and pornography.

The official New China News Agency said an 18-point "draft resolution on banning narcotics" now before the standing committee of the National People's Congress (NPC) would both supplement and amend current anti-drug laws.

Without giving details, it said it would cover the smuggling, production, sale

and possession of illegal drugs, setting the death penalty as "the most severe punishment."

Public health and police authorities in China report a comeback in the use of opium and heroin, as the country becomes an increasingly active conduit for drugs smuggled out of Burma, bound for Western markets.

A second resolution, dealing with pornography, says execution is to be carried out when suspects "use pornographic materials to carry out criminal activities."

It also sets life imprisonment as the maximum punishment for those convicted of smuggling, producing, duplicating, publishing or selling pornographic materials "for profit."

It defines pornography as "books, films, records, videotapes and pictures that describe sexual behaviour in detail or present obscene scenes."

But it adds that medical and scientific materials, as well as "literary and artistic works with obscene contents that have artistic value" should not be regarded as pornographic.

The death penalty is already invoked regularly in major drug and pornography cases in China.

The NPC standing committee meets regularly throughout the year to discuss legislation to be approved by the entire National People's Congress, China's rubber-stamp parliament, which convenes every March.

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#90298d5770 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CANBERRA (OCT. 25) - The guided missile destroyer HMAS Brisbane and the guided missile frigate HMAS Sydney will sail from here on November 12 to replace two Australian ships in the task force in the Gulf, it was announced Thursday.

Defence Minister Robert Ray said the ships would replace the guided missile frigates HMAS Adelaide and HMAS Darwin, which have been operating in the Gulf since September.

The supply ship HMAS Success "will remain on station until the arrival of her replacement, HMAS Westralia in late January," Mr. Ray said in a statement.

About 600 Australian sailors are serving on board the three vessels in the U.S.-led task force put in place after Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90298d5780 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PORT MORESBY (OCT. 25) - The Papua New Guinea government confirmed Thursday that a defence force soldier was killed on Buka Island off Bougainville.

Defense Force commander Brigadier-General Rochus Lokinap said Private Andrew Torima, 23, from East New Britain had been killed but refused to give details of how he died.

Military sources said he was shot by Bougainville rebels on Wednesday and died while being taken to Rabaul.

Pvt. Torima was the first army soldier to be killed since a series of clashes between government security forces and militants four weeks ago resulted in the death -- according to government numbers -- of about 20 rebels and one soldier.

Defence Minister Benais Sabumei rejected Bougainville Revolutionary Army (BRA) claims that 32 soldiers were killed in these clashes.

The minister denied claims that security forces had destroyed villages and that the media would be banned from reporting events on the island.

"I will shortly be taking a group of journalists from Papua New Guinea to Buka to see for themselves what developments are happening," he said.

More than 300 Papua New Guinea troops are on Buka, off the northern tip of Bougainville, after regaining control of the small island from the BRA last month.

The BRA waged a 16-month secessionist war on Bougainville which cost more than 80 lives before Port Moresby's security forces withdrew in March.

Buka community leaders recently disowned the BRA and distanced themselves from its May 17 declaration of independence and signed an agreement with the national government for the restoration of services.

Port Moresby imposed a blockade on BRA-controlled territory after the declaration of independence.

Bougainville, which is separated from Buka by a 500-metre (yard) stretch of water, remains in BRA control.

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#90298d5810 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT. 25) - Ismail Kadare, considered the greatest living Albanian writer, has asked for political asylum in France after his appeals for

democratisation in his communist homeland went unheeded, his French publisher said Thursday.

The 54-year-old writer on Tuesday, in a surprise move, sent a letter to the hardline communist Albanian leader, Ramiz Alia, to explain his decision, he told Agence France-Presse.

"Until today I have tried to contribute to soften the regime through the means authorised in Albania," he said.

"During my meetings and in an exchange of letters with the president since last spring I expressed very clearly the imperious necessity for a very rapid, deep and total democratisation of the country."

"As there is no possibility for legal opposition in Albania, I have therefore chosen this route that I would never wished to have taken and which I would not advise to anyone," he went on.

Mr. Kadare, who speaks French fluently, is currently in France where he is a frequent visitor.

He is the author of novels including the 1980 "Nepunesi i pallatit te entrrave" (The employee of the palace of dreams), a Kafkaesque expose of totalitarianism, and the "Palace of Dreams" published here but not in Tirana.

In a noted preface to a book by Albanian writer Migjeni, Mr. Kadare writes: "Nobody can ignore that under a tyrannical regime, a great writer who is isolated is a bit like a tree which has been marked to be chopped down".

He said on Thursday that his decision to emigrate was "the logical consequence of everything that I have defended in my work until now".

Mr. Kadare, who has been on the short list for the Nobel prize for literature on several occasions, has also published a number of poems and essays.

France accepted a total 543 Albanian refugees in July after Albanians in Tirana crowded into foreign embassies seeking to emigrate. The Tirana authorities have refused to meet demands for a multi-party system.

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#90298d5850 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LUXEMBOURG (OCT. 25) - South African President Frederik de Klerk arrived here Thursday on a short working visit at his own request following two days of talks in the Netherlands.

De Klerk met Prime Minister Jacques Santer and Grand Duke Prince Jean. The visit was opposed by a number of anti-apartheid groups.

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#90298d5860 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (OCT. 25) - Rwanda's rebel Patriotic Front warned here Thursday that it would resume fighting if the authorities in Kigali failed to meet its conditions for a cease-fire.

The front said it was prepared to observe a cease-fire for three weeks "provided talks on substantial political issues start immediately".

Maintaining the cease-fire would "depend on the sincerity" of President Juvenal Habyarimana and on progress in discussing substantive issues.

The rebels warned: "Any delaying tactics and deviousness on the part of President Habyarimana will be sufficient grounds to resume military operations".

On Wednesday, Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens said his Rwandan counterpart Casimir Bizimungu had telephoned to say the cease-fire had taken effect at 10 a.m. local time.

The rebels, mostly refugees from Rwanda's Tutsi minority, invaded from Uganda at the beginning of the month.

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#90298d5930 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DUBLIN (OCT. 25) - Iraq is expelling the first secretary of the Irish embassy in Baghad, Adrian McDaid, the Irish foreign ministry announced here Thursday.

The move was "retaliation to the expulsion of their military attache in London who was also accredited to the Irish Republic", a ministry spokesman said.

Foreign Minister Gerard Collins said he "very much regretted" the "unjustified and disproportionate" Iraqi decision.

Mr. McDaid was likely to leave Iraq within a week or 10 days, according to the spokesman.

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#90298d6010 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT. 25) - Francois Leotard, with an eye on the next presidential elections, on Thursday said he would step down as leader of the centre-right Republican Party (PR) to give himself more freedom to express his views.

Forty-eight year-old Mr. Leotard, who has held the leadership for eight years,

is to announce his resignation officially at a party congress on November 24.

In a six-page letter to the PR's 2,500 elected party representatives and officials, Mr. Leotard said that his surprise decision was "not the result of weariness" but rather a bid to shake up the parliamentary right wing.

The French conservative opposition is grouped in a loose alliance dominated by the neo-gaullist Rally for the Republic (RPR) of Paris Mayor Jacques Chirac. The PR is part of the centre-right Union for French Democracy coalition, headed by former president Valery Giscard d'Estaing.

Mr. Leotard, a former culture minister, fears that the current conservative leadership is likely to produce a presidential contest in 1995 between Mr. Chirac and Mr. d'Estaing for the opposition and would result in defeat against a Socialist candidate.

By placing himself outside the party structure, Mr. Leotard may decide to run as an independent in the presidential race, observers said.

Mr. Leotard stressed in his letter that he would continue to be active within the party and remain a deputy, but would concentrate on a "broader reflection" notably on international affairs.

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#90298d6030 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 25) - The British embassy in the Iranian capital Teheran is to be reopened on Sunday with an initial staff of five diplomats, the Foreign Office said on Thursday.

The move follows the resumption of diplomatic relations between the two countries which were broken off last year over the ''death sentence'' issued against Salman Rushdie, author of ''The Satanic Verses'', by the late Ayatollah Khomeini.

A foreign office spokesman said the move was agreed last month at a meeting between Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd and his Iranian counterpart, Ali Akhbar Velayati.

The mission will be headed by David Reddaway, who was serving in the embassy when relations were broken.

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#90298d6060 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 25) - Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu came under fire from his own ruling party Thursday for diluting his stand on the deployment of Japanese troops abroad despite the constraints of the nation's pacifist constitution.

Some 50 members of the faction under Shintaro Abe, Mr. Kaifu's rival in the Liberal Democratic Party, held a meeting and blasted what they called the premier's untactful handling of the matter that has disillusioned voters.

Meanwhile Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama said he would consider sending a special envoy to neighboring Asian nations to dispel fears raised by a bill before parliament aimed at creating a "peace cooperation corps" to help enforce U.N. resolutions.

"Now 100 per cent of the women are against the bill," one member of the Abe faction reportedly said at the meeting. "It will certainly affect local elections across the nation next spring."

"The bill was a hasty expediency and lacked full consultation," said another.

The premier told a lower house committee Wednesday and Thursday, "We don't intend to change our interpretation of the constitution."

He was returning to a traditional government position that it is unconstitutional for Japan's self-defense forces to join a U.N. force if its objective and mission entail the use of force.

Mr. Kaifu still said Japanese troops could give lateral, non-combat support to a U.N. force, in the fields of medical aid, transport and communications.

Following Iraqi's invasion of Kuwait, the committee is debating the bill to authorize the deployment of troops overseas for the first time since World War II, as part of international peace-keeping efforts.

The bill was drafted in response to criticism from overseas, specially the United States, of Japan's limited participation in multinational efforts in the Gulf.

The premier initially stirred up controversay when he told reporters last week that the government was adopting a new interpretation of Japan's post-World War II constitution.

Mr. Kaifu said the dispatch of Japanese self-defense force members for U.N. operations in is line with the concept of "collective security" as authorized by the U.N. Charter.

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#90298d6100 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 25) - President Frederik de Klerk will visit the West African state of Senegal late Thursday, the South African Department of Foreign Affairs has announced.

A statement said only De Klerk would meet Senegalese President Abdou Diouf in the capital Dakar for talks on ''bilateral relations and other issues of mutual concern''.

He is expected back in South Africa Friday following ground-breaking visits to Morocco, The Netherlands and Luxembourg.

A johannesburg newspaper said De Klerk could secure trade links and landing rights in Senegal, traditionally a strong critic of South Africa's racial policies of apartheid.

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KARACHI (OCT. 25) - Serious internal and external challenges await the new Pakistani leadership emerging from Wednesday's elections, topped by a cutoff of U.S. aid, a growing trade deficit and military threats from India, analysts said Thursday.

When the Islamic Democratic Alliance forms the next elected government, it faces the immediate and uphill task of finding external resources to meet a three billion dollar balance of payments deficit.

This is in addition to the political chores of restoring stability and warding off threats from India.

The clear verdict at the polls will help to resolve a crisis of leadership, the analysts said, asserting that Benazir Bhutto fell victim to public accusations of corruption and inefficiency because of weak and divisive leadership during her 20-month rule as prime minister.

The Gulf crisis has forced Pakistan to import oil at international prices ranging between 30 to 40 dollars per barrels, up from the 15 dollars at which Kuwait used to sell its petroleum before the Iraqi invasion.

This has increased Pakistan's oil bill and trade deficit.

The balance of payments deficit of 1.5 billion dollars expected in the fiscal year to June 1991 is now estimated at double the figure, economists say.

According to government sources, Pakistan is seeking 3.57 billion dollars in the year to offset the deficit and maintain growth of five to six per cent in the gross domestic product (GDP).

The country has asked for 3.288 billion dollars from a World Bank consortium of Western nations and 282 million dollars from other sources, officials said.

The 1989-90 growth target of 5.8 per cent was narrowly missed because of shortfalls in agriculture, construction and services, and the loss of industrial production caused by lawlessness and ethnic strife in the southern province of Sindh.

The sources said that about 82 million dollars would be sought from the consortium in food aid to import an estimated 1.5 million tonnes of wheat to meet shortages and build reserves.

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#90298d6370 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SIEM REAP, CAMBODIA (OCT. 25) - Phnom Penh troops and Khmer Rouge guerrilla divisions are preparing for a dry-season confrontation that threatens to engulf the decaying Angkor temple complex in this northwestern province.

The military build-up comes as stalled peace talks reopen the military option and guerrillas are rearming and attacking points within 20 kilometres (12 miles) of the provincial capital, a Phnom Penh source said.

Government forces are determined to defend to the last the temples that the Khmer people revere as symbols of nationhood and past glories, the source said.

"If we were to lose control of Angkor, it would be a catastrophe for us because it is such an important symbol for our people," said Om Phal, vice-president of the regional administration, with civil and military duties.

The provincial capital, Siem Reap, only four kilometres (two miles) from the temple grounds, is the target of a guerrilla strategy, according to the provincial official. He said resistance forces, strengthened by two elite Khmer Rouge divisions, have been stockpiling munitions in preparation for the dry season, which begins in the coming weeks.

Frustrated with the current stalemate of talks aimed at bringing peace to Cambodia, both sides are preparing to renew hostilities so that "while the negotiators negotiate, the fighters fight," he said.

"We are preparing our own offensive against guerrilla positions," said Mr. Om Phal. "The other side is also getting ready."

Provincial authorities say 3,000 resistance troops control a swath of territory in the north bording Thailand, most of them Khmer Rouge guerrillas led by Ta Mok, one of the marxist faction's most-feared commanders.

The faction is grouped in a resistance alliance with the non-communist followers of former Cambodian monarch Prince Norodom Sihanouk and the backers of the country's former prime minister, Son Sann.

According to Western human rights groups here, guerrillas are operating 50 kilometres (30 miles) to the east of the town of Siem Reap.

They launched an offensive there less than a month ago and Phnom Penh brought in Soviet advisors to monitor the situation, Western sources said.

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#90298d6460 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (OCT. 25) - ''What are we still doing here?'' complained an American soldier on an Fm radio station in Saudi Arabia. ''We've achieved our goal, prevented Saddam Hussein from invading Saudi Arabia - now let's get outta here''.

Radio Baghdad you might think. But you would be wrong. Free speech of this sort is a luxury being afforded by the Armed Forces Radio and Television Service for the U.S. forces in the Gulf.

The station has been been broadcasting with the permission of the Riyadh government for the last two weeks from a secret location in eastern Saudi Arabia.

That is not to say that Radio Baghdad has not also discovered a new group of potential listeners among the 200,000-plus American soldiers now positioned in the Gulf region.

The Iraqi Voice of Peace has been sending western music out over the airwives intermixed with messages designed to sow seeds of doubt about the mission of the U.S. forces in the region.

''Who is going to profit from a war in the Gulf?'' intones a male presenter in English on the Voice of Peace.

''A few businessmen in the Usa and the corrupt sheikhs in the Gulf,'' the voice promptly answers.

There then follows an interlude of music - oldies and rock, a bit of background muzak, but also some rap and hip hop - before a soft female voice comes on the air: ''Only you are talking about war. Our country is ready to cross the road of peace.''

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#90298d6480 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (OCT. 25) - Sudanese opposing the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait may face punishment from the country's military rulers, two United Arab Emirates (UAE) newspapers reported Thursday.

Al Ittihad and Al Fajr said instructions had been given to Sudanese missions in the Gulf to make a list of opponents of the August 2 invasion.

The two dailies published the text of what they said was a Sudanese foreign ministry circular issued to Khartoum's embassies in the Gulf.

"Instructions have been issued that our embassies, especially those that have intelligence sections, provide names of those who have taken stands opposing their country's official position regarding the Gulf crisis," the letter said.

The letter did not say what activities those citizens were involved in but several Sudanese groups have condemned Iraq and sent cables of support to Gulf rulers.

The paper asked embassies to focus on those who it said were "standing at the doors of kings and sultans in violation of their country's policy."

Sudan, along with Jordan, Yemen and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), has been accused of sympathising with Iraq invasion and subsequent annexation Kuwait.

Sudanese embassy officials in the region would not comment on the reports but confirmed plans by their government to issue new passports to Sudanese citizens in December.

Sudan receives nearly 500 million dollars a year in remittances from more than 200,000 Sudanese who live in the oil rich Gulf region.

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#90298d6490 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (OCT. 25) - Former Tanzanian cabinet minister Salmin Amour, who scored a landslide victory in last Sunday's elections in semi-autonomous Zanzibar, was sworn in as new president on Thursday to succeed retired Idris Abdul-Wakil.

Dr. Amour, 48, won the presidential election on the twin islands of Zanzibar and Pemba by polling 97.7 per cent of the votes and became the fifth president since the half-a-million Zanzibaris toppled a minority Arab Sultanate rule 27 years ago.

The colourful ceremony was conducted by Chief Justice Hamid Mahnoud at Amaan Stadium on Zanzibar island and was witnessed by thousands of Zanzibaris, including its three past presidents -- Aboud Jumbe, Ali Hassan Mwinyi (now Tanzanian president), and Mr. Abdul-Wakil, who declined re-election.

Tanzania's first president, 68-year-old Julius Nyerere, also attended the ceremony. Mr. Nyerere retired from the Tanzanian presidency in 1985 and from

the ruling Chama cha Mapinduzi (CCM) party chairmanship this year and was succeeded by President Mwinyi, now 67.

The new president, who also assumes the chairmanship of the islands' Revolutionary Council, is expected to announce his cabinet next week following the installation on Monday of the House of the Representatives -- the second elected legislature since the 1964 revolution.

Zanzibar, which united with mainland Tanganyika in 1964 to form the federal United Republic of Tanzania, enjoys autonomy, except in foreign affairs, defence and monetary policies.

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#90298d6500 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 25) - The French Aerospatiale aero company made a net profit of 45 million French francs in the first half of 1990 compared with a loss of 109 million francs in the first half of 1989, the company said on Thursday.

Sales totalled 15 billion francs (three billion dollars), up more than 6.6 percent on the previous period.

Aerospatiale said that 57 percent of its sales were from abroad and that work on the European Airbus aircraft represented 37 percent of sales. The helicopter division accounted for 20 percent, as did tactical equipment, while stratgic equipment and equipment for space accounted for 23 percent.

The company said that it expected sales for the year to total 33 billion francs (six billion dollars) compared with 31.7 billion francs (6.3 billin dollars) in 1989, representing an increase of 4.1 percent.

The final result depended on the exchange rate of the dollar. The 1989 profit was 204 million fancs.

The fall of the dollar undermines the profits since Aerospatiale has costs denominated mainly in francs and and sales in dollars.

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#90298d6520 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (OCT. 25) - East Timor rebel leader Major Xanana Gusmao said here Thursday he was ready to discuss a United Nations-brokered settlement to the 15-year conflict in the Indonesian territory without any prerequisites.

Negotiations should be held between the people of East Timor and Jakarta, and not Portugal, the former colonial power in East Timor, which the United Nations continues to recognize as legal administrator, Major Gusmao said in an interview with a local newspaper.

"The war that has lasted for 15 years is between Jakarta and the people of East Timor", the leader of the East Timor Armed Forces for National Liberation said.

He called on the Indonesian authorities to adopt a more flexible policy toward East Timor to end the guerilla war. "We expect Jakarta to show political maturity".

"In East Timor the day belongs to the Javanese but the night belongs to the guerilla which is the expression of our people's resistance", Major Gusmao said, adding that the Roman Catholic Church gave "political and essentially moral support to the struggle of our people".

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#90298d6620 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA (OCT. 25) - A statement by a former double agent of Britain and Bulgaria that the KGB, the Soviet secret service, supplied the poison tip to an umbrella believed to have been used to kill Bulgarian dissident Georgi Markov could help advance a Bulgarian government probe into the murder.

The official investigation is the first into several cloak-and-dagger affairs in which western analysts believe the hardline regime of Bulgaria's ousted leader Todor Zhivkov was involved.

In a televised telephone interview, double agent Oleg Gordievski said Wednesday he was convinced that Sergei Gogolov of the KGB's department N1 supplied the poison and the know-how to allow Bulgarian government agents to kill Mr. Markov in London in 1978.

The means to inject the poison into the body of a victim -- "an umbrella or another weapon", according to Mr. Gordievski -- was chosen by the Bulgarian secret services, he said.

He thought the KGB probably did not know who the poison would be used against.

An investigation after Mr. Markov's death by the British authorities was unable to prove that he had been murdered.

But the dissident writer's widow, Annabel Markov, said in her first visit to Bulgaria last February that her husband had received several death threats after reading excerpts from his book on Mr. Zhivkov on the U.S.-controlled Radio Free Europe in Munich, Germany, in January 1978.

Mr. Markov had left Bulgaria illegally and also worked for the BBC.

His wife said he felt a small puncture on one leg when near Waterloo Bridge in

London on September 7, 1978 and saw an unidentified man drop an umbrella and get on a taxi.

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#90298d6650 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (OCT. 25) - One in two Polish voters -- 49.3 per cent -- is planning to vote for Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki in next month's presidential elections, an official poll said here Thursday.

The prime minister's challenger, Solidarity leader Lech Walesa, scored 33.9 per cent among those polled.

However, 41.2 per cent were confident that Mr. Walesa would sweep the presidential poll, as compared to 20.8 per cent for Mr. Mazowiecki.

The Zycie Warszawy newspaper said 44.1 per cent of those polled believed that Mr. Mazowiecki would be a better president than the Solidarity leader (24.2 per cent) but 41.2 per cent said Poles preferred Mr. Walesa to Mr. Mazowiecki (28.2 per cent).

A survey of voter intentions carried out on behalf of Mr. Walesa's electoral committee and published Tuesday said the Solidarity leader had a 45-to-31 edge over the premier.

Another independent survey published on October 7 had produced a similar result.

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#90298d6670 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (OCT. 25) - China will eventually give a go-ahead to Hong Kong's mammoth airport and port project because Beijing has "no other choice," a locally based senior Chinese official said Thursday.

"Beijing will only embarrass itself if it says no," said the senior official of the New China News Agency (NCNA), Beijing's de facto consulate in the British colony, which is due to revert to Chinese rule in 1997.

"Britian and Hong Kong have already started to give out works contracts for the development, Beijing has no other choice but to give approval," he said.

A red light from China "will clearly scare international investors off the project," said the official, who declined to be named.

"Hong Kong will be in a mess and that is the last thing Beijing would want to see."

The NCNA official spoke as a Chinese delegation ended talks with local officials here on the 17 billion U.S. dollar plan, whose financing would stretch way beyond 1997 with about 40 per cent expected to come from the private sector.

The head of the Hong Kong delegation, Chief Secretary Sir David Ford, said Thursday that the talks had been constructive.

"As is well known, the Chinese side support what is in the interest of Hong Kong's stability," he said.

The scheme to build a new airport and port complex on nearby Lantau island has been presented by Britain as a farewell gift that would build confidence at a time when a local exodus was escalating ahead of the handover deadline.

Beijing, on the other hand, has suggested that it was a British conspiracy to leave behind a bankrupt Hong Kong. Chinese party chief Jiang Zemin in February criticised the mammoth project as "you give a banquet and I foot the bill".

"Having the Jiang statement on the record, his juniors can just keep on criticising a bit and meanwhile softening their tones a bit -- as they've done in the past few months -- to lead to an actual go-ahead," the NCNA official said.

He would not predict when the official approval would be announced, but the run-up could take months.

Ching Cheung, editor of local China-watching weekly Contemporary and a former Beijing correpondent for local leftwing daily Wen Wei Po, also said that Chinese approval was inevitable.

"It's all a matter of face," he said of the current foot-dragging.

"Beijing knows perfectly what kind of scenario lies in store should they refuse to endorse the airport business: the colonial government will lose authority and the exodus will heighten," Mr. Ching said.

While calling Chinese concerns over the issue legitimate, British and colonial officials have reaffirmed their authority to rule pre-1997 Hong Kong by stressing that Beijing could be informed but not consulted.

International bankers are keen to see an official Chinese blessing before they participate in the project. While the airport is due to be operational by 1997 the port project has no definite timetable and might carry well into the next century.

China has promised Hong Kong "a high degree of autonomy" after 1997 and said the territory should shoulder its own debts.

"Are you totally convinced of this 'high degree of autonomy'?" queried Edward Leung, chief economist of the Standard Chartered Bank here.

Mr. Leung noted that the site-choice of Chep Lap Kok on Lantau island was made from very limited geographical options, and that the colonial government has said it could afford financing the entire scheme if necessary.

"Unless the Chinese take a very pessimistic view about (the future prosperity of) Hong Kong, I can see no solid grounds for them to actually oppose the project," Mr. Leung said.

Tam Siu-cheung, head of a business research organisation based in the neighboring Chinese special economic zone of Shenzhen, said the key to the question was how the project's benefits would be shared.

Mr. Tam, president of the International Institute for Technology and Business Management, said while China "might not have technological expertise to grab major contracts, it can take part in the financing side with the Bank of China chosen as, say, a lead manager."

"That would provide a ladder for the Chinese to get off the (criticising) stage," he said.

The colonial authorities have said Hong Kong stands to lose 13 billion U.S. dollars by 2010 unless a replacement is built for Kai Tak international airport, which is nearing capacity.

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#90298d6710 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW, (OCT. 25) - A building housing Western diplomatic personnel in central Leningrad has been the target of two arson attacks since last week, French diplomatic sources said here Thursday.

Three cars bearing diplomatic license plates were burned overnight Saturday, and several days earlier arsonists attempted to set fire to the apartment of a member of the U.S. consulate, according to the sources.

The U.S. embassy refused to provide the date of the earlier incident.

The Leningrad militia has been asked to protect the building, but has either refused or demanded to be paid in hard currency, the sources said.

One of the cars belonged to an assistant with the economic bureau of the French embassy, another was a service vehicle belonging to the same department, and the third belonged to a member of the German consulate.

No one has claimed responsibility for the attacks, which have not been accompanied by any threats, according to the same sources.

The number of Soviet security personnel around diplomatic buildings has been reduced over the past several months, and certain residential areas inhabited exclusively by foreigners are no longer guarded.

The security presence was previously provided free of charge, but was principally aimed at preventing Soviet citizens from contacting foreigners, until the political liberalization instituted under President Mikhail Gorbachev.

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#90298d6740 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (OCT. 25) - An eight-story office building collapsed Tuesday in the city center here, killing and injuring several people, Ath-Thawra newspaper reported Thursday.

The newspaper did not provide further details on casualties nor did it say what caused the building to collapse.

But it identified the victims as office workers, pedestrians and the passengers of a taxi crushed by falling debris.

The newspaper said Interior Minister Samir Mohammad Abdelwahab inspected the site immediately after the tragedy occured.

Ath-Thawra recalled that the incident was the second of its kind this year in Baghdad, where an old building collapsed in January causing no casualties.

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#90298d6750 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (OCT. 25) - Iran's urban militias have arrested a total of 2,137 people on drug charges over the past two weeks, including 13 Afghan nationals, official Teheran Radio reported Thursday.

The radio, citing a statement released by the urban militias, said 757 of those arrested were traffickers while 1,380 were drug addicts.

The militias dismantled five drug networks and seized 380 kilograms (836 pounds) of narcotics during several raids in the provinces of Teheran, Khorassan (east), Yazd (south) as well as the northeastern town of Gorghan.

Iran launched a tough nationwide drive in January last year to stamp out drug abuse in the country, with anyone found with more than 30 grams of heroin or more than five kilograms (11 pounds) of opium risking the death sentence.

At least 1,211 persons have been executed by hanging since that date after they were found guilty of breaking the law.

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#90298d6800 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 25) - General Mining, the mining arm of South Africa's second-largest mining finance house, Gencor, announced on Thursday the official opening of a new gold mine near Orkney, in Orange Free State province.

The mine, named Weltevreden, was announced last December, and the first gold is to be produced during the first half of 1992 with full production in phase one to be reached in 1993.

Genmin said that Weltevreden is unique to South Africa in that the ore body is relatively shallow - 115 metres (yards) below the surface - and that mining will begin from surface with two declines (tunnels).

Phase one will provide employment for 550 people and will have the capacity to treat 30,000 tons of ore a month. Management expects initial yields to be in the region of 4.2 grams per ton.

Phase two, which will commence in 1995, will increase the mine's production to some 90,000 tons per month using a labour force of about 1,100 people.

Weltevreden's life expectancy is expected to be on the order of 25 years.

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#90298d6860 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT. 25) - The U.N. World Food Programme (WFP) is to provide 25,000 tonnes of cereals for people in the drought-affected areas of Sudan, the organisation announced in a press statement released here Thursday.

According to the statement, food relief, worth 11 million U.S. dollars, including six million dollars for internal transportation, will partly consist of 19,000 tons of wheat that the WFP had positioned in Port Sudan earlier this week.

The cereals are being moved immediately to the drought-affected areas to meet the needs, during a three-month period, of 800,000 people affected by drought and crop failure in the Kordofan and Darfur regions of western Sudan and in the Red Sea province of eastern Sudan.

WFP, in consultation with the regional authorities, Non-Governmental Organisations (NGO's) operating in the area and the Relief and Rehabilitation Commission, has identified 16 districts in the three provinces that require

urgent assistance, the statement said.

It warned, however, that a major emergency of serious proportions is imminent in Sudan during the current crop season as reports indicate that farmers and herders continued to leave their land in search of water, food, employment, and grazing pastures elsewhere following two consecutive years of drought.

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#90298d6960 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

METZ, FRANCE (OCT. 25) - French customs officers on Thursday seized 48 kilograms (105 pounds) of caviar which two Polish men were attempting to smuggle into the country, customs officials announced here.

The caviar, 535 90-gram (3.2 ounce) cans hidden under a piece of cloth on the back seat of the car, was discovered at the the northern border checkpoint of Saint-Avold.

The two Polish men had been planning to sell the caviar, valued at 100,000 francs (20,000 dollars) to French restaurant owners.

The men were set free after paying a penalty.

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#90298d6990 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHARTOUM (OCT. 25) - Egypt has closed its airspace to Sudan Airways planes flying to Jordan to repatriate Sudanese leaving Kuwait and Iraq, the local press reported here Thursday.

The airline's deputy chief Aladdin Mohamed Abdallah said no explanation had been given for the ban on the two weekly flights to the Jordanian port of Aqaba. They were scheduled to last until the end of next month, he said.

Egypt is a leading critic of Iraq's annexation of Kuwait, but Sudan's military junta is supportive.

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#90298d7040 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (OCT. 25) - Do Phuong has been appointed the new director general of the Vietnam News Agency (VNA), the official press organisation reported Thursday.

Mr. Phuong, deputy director general since the 1960s, succeeds the late Dao Tung, who died of cancer on September 15, VNA said.

No further details were available.

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#90298d7080 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (OCT. 25) - A teacher and a student committed suicide to oppose a job quota scheme for the lower castes as the Supreme Court Thursday heard arguments on the plan amid noisy protests by university graduates.

Navin Ojha, an upper caste Brahmin, poisoned himself in the holy Hindu town of Mathura Thursday and in a note said he held Indian Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh responsible for his death, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

Schoolteacher Seema Kumari, 21, burned herself in the northern town of Nahan to protest against the government's August 7 decision to implement the scheme that blocks 49.5 per cent of all federal jobs for the lower castes.

Ms. Kumari, an upper caste Hindu, is the second schoolteacher to die in the protest suicide wave.

Her suicide takes to the number of sacrificial deaths to 53 since the protests began September 19 when Delhi University student Rajiv Goswamy set himself on fire and is presently in a critical state.

A Hindu student, Sanjay Srivastava, tried to commit suicide Wednesday in Allahabad, the hometown of the prime minister, who sanctioned the scheme benefiting 52 per cent of India's 850 million people, PTI said.

More than 50 others, including 13 in New Delhi, have attempted to kill themselves in the copycat suicide wave that forced the government to shut school and colleges.

PTI said an unnamed boy died Wednesday in the northern city of Chandigarh when the police fired on students protesting the scheme.

In the capital Thursday, Delhi University students staged noisy protests in the Supreme Court complex as a five-judge bench heard arguments on the scheme that reserves 45,000 federal jobs for the lower castes.

"Mr. V.P. Singh, don't play with fire ... we want justice," chanted the protestors as policemen with guns and canes ringed them in the red-stone complex, witnesses said.

During the debate the court rejected the defense counsel's appeal to summon all Indian political parties to express their views on the job quota scheme.

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#90298d7160 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MAPUTO (OCT. 25) - Rebels of the Mozambique National Resistance (RENAMO) killed a passenger and wounded three others in an attack on a train in southern Mozambique on Wednesday, Radio Mozambique reported Thursday.

The train was travelling from South Africa to Maputo when the rebels struck about 10 kilometres (seven miles) east of the South African border, the radio said.

The passengers were mainly Mozambican migrant workers returning home from the South African mines. Two carriages were totally destroyed in the ambush and the locomotive was damaged.

Joao Azinheira, the executive director of Mozambique railways' southern division, said this was the 18th RENAMO attack on the Maputo-South Africa line this year and the third this month.

Eight carriages have been destroyed and four locomotives damaged in the attacks, he said.

Mozambique railways now has only two functioning passenger carriages for its operations in the south of the country. As a result passenger traffic to and from South Africa is likely to be interrupted until December, though the line remains open for goods traffic.

RENAMO has also stepped up attacks on the railway in central Mozambique between Zimbabwe and the port of Beira.

Radio Mozambique reported that on Monday traffic was interrupted by an explosion on the line between Mafolga and Amatongas in Manica province. However, damage to the track is said to be slight.

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#90298d7250 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT. 25) - Israel will ignore the United Nations Security Council resolution condemning its actions on the Temple Mount incident in which 22 Palestinians were killed October 8, a top aide to Prime Minister Itzhak Shamir said Thursday.

Speaking on Israel Army Radio, Yossi Ben-Aharon, director general of the Prime Minister's office, said that Israel ''will ignore'' the resolution which was a ''survivor of past eras.''

He said that Israel would be willing to transmit the results due Friday from its own inquiry to U.N. Secretary General Perez de Cuellar to enable him to report to the Security council on the incident.

Meanwhile, the 1.7 million residents of the occupied territories remained cut

off from Israel and East Jerusalem for the second straight day following an order by Defence Mninister Moshe Arens.

However, some 5,000 to 7,000 worshippers will be allowed to attend Friday prayer services on the Temple Mount under an agreement between Israeli police and Moslem authorities, Israel Radio reported.

The Security Council had rebuked Israel Wednesday for refusing to accept a U.N. probe into the Temple Mount bloodshed, but advisers to Shamir said there was no hope that Israel would change its stance.

Israel has rejected the investigation on the grounds that it would compromise its sovereignty over Jerusalem, parts of which were captured from Jordan in the 1967 Mid-East war and annexed soon after.

Avi Pazner, Shamir's media adviser said that the government was ''disappointed'' with Washington's failure to veto the resolution and argued that the continuing debate ''helps Saddam Hussein distract attention from what is happening in the Gulf''.

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#90298d7350 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (OCT. 25) - Afghan troops recaptured two security posts overrun by the mujahedeen resistance in southeastern Afghanistan as fighting across the country drew to a seasonal end, a government spokesman said Thursday.

Government forces took the two posts about four kilometres (2.5 miles) outside Kalat, the capital of the strategically important Zabul province, in the last two days, spokesman Humayun Mukammel said.

He said the government had been able to stall a major mujahedeen onslaught to seize the Afghan capital, Kabul, and at least five other unnamed key cities and towns in the past four weeks.

A major mujaheeen assault to overrun Kabul on October 9 failed after government forces hit back with rockets, heavy artillery and air strikes, Mr. Mukammel said, adding that fighting around Kabul had already died down.

However the guerrillas ended a two-week lull in shelling Kabul by firing at last six rockets into the city late Wednesday, he said.

He said two people died and six more were seriously wounded in the shelling, which affected the northern and northeastern parts of Kabul.

Diplomatic sources here said the rockets came from the direction of Chakadara, north of the city.

The government has been carrying out anti-guerrilla operations in Chakadara for the past four weeks.

Both government officials and diplomats said activities of the mujahedeen guerrillas would slow down with the onset of winter in the coming weeks.

However, in the warmer southern parts of Afghanistan sporadic fighting could still contiunue till mid-November, officials said.

They said troops in Kalat continued operations to clear a main highway of guerrilla bunkers, foxholes and mines.

The government has not given precise casualties in countering the stepped up mujahedeen attacks in the past one month, but a top general has put guerrilla losses at some 1,000 killed, wounded or captured.

More than a million people have died during the 12 years of civil war between the mujahedeen fighting to overthrow the Soviet-backed government of President Najibullah and government troops.

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#90298d7510 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) - Iraq has raised the number of its forces in southern Iraq and Kuwait from 410,00 to about 500,000, and the United States is considering massing more troops in the Gulf region in response to the Iraqi buildup, reports said Thursday.

The New York Times newspaper quoted a senior Saudi Arabian official as saying Iraqi troops were digging in deeper in Iraq's southern city of Basra and in Kuwait which they invaded on August 2.

The unidentified ranking member of the royal decision-making apparatus told the daily that guerrillas from the Palestine Liberation Front of Abu Abbas had entered Kuwait and were supporting Iraqi troops on internal security and border patrols.

He claimed that other Palestinian forces had sent armed units to back the Iraqi army. No more details were given. The Saudi official said much of his information originated from hundreds of Iraqi soldiers who had allegedly deserted to Saudi Arabia.

The daily Washington Post reported that the U.S. administration was considering sending more troops into the Gulf region to counter the Iraqi buildup and keep the option open for a military offensive.

It quoted U.S. government sources as saying Iraqi President Saddam Hussein seemed unwilling to withdraw from Kuwait because his troops had constructed at

least three defence lines along the border with Saudi Arabia and Iraqis were being settled in Kuwait.

The defensive lines consisted of wide-scale mine fields, anti-tank installations and barbed wire, thus reducing the likelihood of an Iraqi offensive against Saudi Arabia, the sources added.

Meanwhile, Kuwait's exiled Emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, Thursday briefed members of his government on the results of talks he held with French President Francois Mitterrand and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher in Paris and London last Monday.

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#90298d7600 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (OCT. 25) - Zimbabwean students and police clashed violently Thursday, a day after authorities introduced a new law that is feared will severely curtail the freedom of the country's only university.

An unknown number of students were arrested in the late afternoon shortly after they were driven away from a demonstration outside the parliament buildings in the city centre by heavily armed police using tear gas and baton charges. In reply, students hurled bottles at police and parliament.

Earlier in the day, police stopped about 500 students as they marched from the campus of the University of Zimbabwe. The crowd taunted police with slogans condemning the government of President Robert Mugabe before being chased the two kilometres back to the campus, where they hurled rocks at police and smashed windows at the administrative block.

On Wednesday a bill was introduced into parliament proposing a variety of sweeping changes in the administration of the university following violence on the campus last year when it was closed for six months.

A statement issued by the Association of University Teachers (Aut) denounced the proposed legislation - which has yet to be debated by parliament - and warned that ''this current legislation will destroy the university.''

Under terms of the bill, the government can appoint the majority of members of the University Council, its governing body, and the government-appointed vice-chancellor, its chief executive, is granted sweeping powers. The government can also establish new forms of disciplinary committees which, said the Aut, ''make a fair and just hearing impossible.''

The bill was introduced with scarcely any delay before its appearance in parliament, and observers believe it will provoke widespread antagonism against the government.

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#90298d7620 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT. 25) - An Soviet-born man set fire to himself outside the Soviet embassy here Thursday to protest President Mikhail Gorbachev's upcoming visit to France, police said.

The unidentified man has reportedly been living in France since last March.

He chained himself to the embassy fence and poured petrol over his clothes before setting himself on fire. A passer-by managed to put out the fire.

The man was later treated for burns to his legs.

Mr. Gorbachev will arrive for a two-day visit to France on Sunday.

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#90298d7720 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SANAA (OCT. 25) - Hundreds of people have staged demonstrations here in recent days to protest price hikes, notably for petroleum products.

Students Wednesday gathered in front of the Yemeni parliament and the seat of the government to deliver petitions, after demonstrations October 19 and 21.

The Yemeni government decided last week to double the price of petroleum products in response to higher world oil rates.

Officials here said price hikes, which have also affected certain food products, were necessary because of an interruption in oil deliveries from Iraq and Kuwait to a refinery at the port of Aden.

Prior to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2, the refinery treated 70,000 barrels of oil a day from Iraq and Kuwait.

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#90298d7730 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FREETOWN (OCT. 25) - Sierra Leone is to stop allowing Liberians fleeing a 10-month civil war to take refuge in this neighboring West African country, foreign ministry sources said here Thursday.

The sources said the decision followed a demand by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) that Sierra Leone should stop using unbudgeted funds to assist the refugees.

A United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) official here said Thursday that the number of refugees in Sierra Leone had exceeded 220,000.

Western diplomats said the role of UNHCR to assist the refugees "had come under severe criticism by government officials" who had wanted the U.N. organization to set up camps instead of integrating them into Sierra Leonean society.

Many Liberian refugees, particularly professionals, have found work in Sierra Leone.

Meanwhile, several Guinean soldiers serving in a five-nation West African expeditionary force in Liberia (ECOMOG) were airlifted to Freetown on Thursday after being stranded for weeks aboard a Guinean naval gunship near an island off the capital.

The gunship, which ran aground on a sand bank on September 26, was on its way to Guinea with hundreds of Guinean refugees from Monrovia. Several refugees and military officers drowned in the incident.

Soviet and French efforts to salvage the Russian-built frigate were abandoned, while Guinean embassy officials said the ship's captain, Ceedu Sanu, "would not leave the wrecked vessel until he has received a clearance note from (Guinean) President Lansana Conte pardoning him for the error."

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#90298d7820 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 25) - Some 30,000 demonstrators marched on the French parliament Thursday behind the leader of the pro-Communist CGT trade union, Henri Krasucki, to protest a government plan for a new 1.1 per cent social security deduction, organisers said.

Demonstrations against the new welfare deduction, which the government hopes will bring in an extra 36 billion francs (seven billion dollars) annually, were also planned in 136 French towns.

The contribution, known as the "Roc'tax" in a reference to its initiator Prime Minister Michel Rocard, is to be deducted at source by employers from next January, if the proposal is adopted by parliament next month.

Meanwhile, thousands of French students demonstrated for the third straight day to protest teacher shortages and to demand security measures after a rash of in-school violence in recent weeks.

The demonstrations, organised in French provincial towns such as Strasbourg, Saint Etienne and Lille, were called in support of Paris students who had staged protests on Tuesday and Wednesday.

#90298d8020 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) - Up to nine million Sudanese may starve because of anticipated poor harvests resulting from failing rains in many parts of the north African country, a top State Department official said Thursday.

Jeffrey Davidow, a deputy assistant secretary of state for African affairs, told a congressional hearing here that as a result of failing rains this year, "the harvest will be substantially below normal."

"Rough estimates are that the harvest will be at least 500,000 tonnes, and perhaps as much as a million tonnes below normal. At that upper limit, eight million to nine million people across Sudan would be at risk," he added.

"A relief program will be necessary to prevent widespread starvation in Sudan next year," he told a subcommittee on Africa of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Davidow said the United Nations along with other donor countries and the United Nations had tried to impress on the Khartoum Government the need for it to ask for a major, coordinated international relief effort.

But Khartoum is downplaying the magnitude of the crisis, he added.

Mr. Davidow also said Washington viewed Khartoum's stance in the Gulf crisis as unhelpful and attributed it to the close military relationship between Iraq and Sudan since the government of President Omar al-Bashir assumed power in June 1989.

Although Khartoum has pledged to comply with the U.S. arms and trade embargo against Iraq, it has refused to condemn the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and has engaged in shuttle diplomacy to promote an Arab solution to the crisis.

Mr. Davidow however described as "unsubstantiated" reports that Sudan had engaged in sanction-busting and that Iraq had stationed troops, fighter and missiles on Sudanese soil.

"I would like to emphasize that Sudan's position on the Iraq-Kuwait crisis does not affect in any way our decisions on the provision of relief food to Sudan. This food goes to feed hungry people in Sudan, not the government. We are not using food as a weapon," he said.

He said U.S. efforts to revive peace talks between the Sudanese Government and the rebel Sudanese People's Liberation Army (SPLA) -- which is active in the south of the country -- had made little progress.

"We have seen little evidence that either side is willing to make the difficult concessions that will be necessary to make peace possible," he added.

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#90298d8090 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LIMA (OCT. 25) - Members of the Maoist ''Shining Path'' guerrilla group have shot and killed a high-ranking Peruvian army officer who once fought them, the army said here Thursday.

It said Lieutenant-Colonel Oscar Augusto Caballero was killed by a guerrilla commando group in the streets of Lima on Wednesday. One of the killers was a woman and the group escaped, the army said without elaborating.

Caballero was based in the Ayacucho region in Peru's highlands, where Shining Path has been active for many years.

Meanwhile, the Peruvian government lifted the state of emergency in the province of Huamanga in Ayacucho, 350 kilometres southeast of the capital, for the first time in more than nine years.

But it prolonged the state of emergency by 60 days in four other provinces in Ayacucho due to repeated fighting there between government troops and Shining Path guerrillas. Emergency regulations allow for a restriction of constitutional rights.

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#90298d8360 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OTTAWA (OCT 25) - Canada would consider sending an emissary to Baghdad to try to win the release of its nationals if it was not seen as a weakening of Canada's opposition to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, Secretary of State for External Affairs Joe Clark said Thursday.

Mr. Clark said Ottawa did not want the 60 Canadians still in Iraq and the 20 in Kuwait from being used as "bargaining chips."

He also denied U.S. reports that he had received an invitation from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to personally come to Baghdad to get his countrymen.

Responding to reporters' questions, Mr. Clark rejected a suggestion by the opposition Liberal party that a delegation of parliament members from the various parties be sent to Baghdad. But he did not rule out the possibility of sending an emissary.

"I am ready to consider specific proposals that could result in the freeing of Canadians who want to leave Iraq and Kuwait if such a gesture by Canada is not intepreted as a weakening of our determination to see Iraq withdraw from Kuwait," he said.

Speaking before the parliament's foreign affairs committee, Mr. Clark said 97

per cent of the Canadians in Iraq and Kuwait have been able to leave. Of the remaining three per cent, some want to leave and others with dual citizenship want to stay, he said.

Canadian Defense Minister Bill McKnight, who also appeared before the committee, acknowledged that the number of Canadian troops in the Gulf is growing and will climb well above 1,700.

About 100 troops from an infantry regiment based in Germany have been sent to the Gulf as "security personnel" for troops already in place. A number of others, including officers and communications specialists, will also be sent to work at the Canadian general headquarters in Bahrain.

Canada has also sent 937 Marines and helicopter pilots aboard two destroyers and a support ship, and 450 army air force personnel for the 18 CF18 fighters providing air cover for the ships.

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#90298d8490 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT 25) - British scientists have succeeded in getting human hair to grow in a test tube, in what may well be a step towards a cure for baldness, it was announced Thursday.

''It grows exactly like normal hair,'' Dr. Terence Kealey said at Cambridge University, while announcing the successful experiment.

The hair grew 0.3 millimetres daily and enabled scientists to study the growth of hair in great detail, perhaps allowing them to develop ways of preventing or curing baldness.

The breakthrough was based on a new method, involving removing hair follicles from the skin without damaging the roots.

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#90298d8520 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (OCT 25) - Brazil Thursday announced it would ease import restrictions on 250 high technology products starting January 1, although 80 percent of the national computer market will remain under government protection until October 1992.

In announcing the decision, the official National Computer Council said the government would maintain an import duty of 65 percent on the products covered by the liberalization plan until next year and then scale the tariffs back to 40 percent by 1994.

Imported inputs into the products will carry a 50 percent duty next year, with

the tariff declining to 30 percent by 1994, it said.

Brazil had been at odds with its major trade partners, notably the United States, and international computer manufacturers for closing its markets to imports in a bid to protect its fledgling national industry.

Washington last year targetted Brazil for potential trade sanctions as a result of the import restrictions, but this year removed the threat as a sign of support for President Fernando Collor de Mello's stated intention to liberalize Brazil's import policies.

Under the program announced Thursday, beginning next year restrictions will be lifted on imports of fibre optics, telephone and telex switching equipment, industrial robots and some automotive electronics.

Products still on the restricted list include virtually all microcomputers and most monitors, disc drives and modems, facsimile machines, automatic bank tellers and selected telecommunications equipment.

The government said Thursday it was giving Brazilian computer makers 60 days to come up with production plans to make their wares more competitive before the market is freed up in October 1992.

Companies who fail to come up with realistic plans may see their products removed from the protected list before that date, a Computer Council spokesmen said. The idea is to "improve product quality, bring prices down and open the door to joint ventures with foreign companies," he added.

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#90298d8620 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT 25) - Administrators were appointed to the maker of three-wheeler cars, Reliant, here Thursday, threatening an end to production of the vehicle - which holds cult status in Britain.

Reliant is also the maker of the Scimitar, a sports car driven by the British Royal Family's Princess Anne, who was convicted of speeding earlier this week.

Recent heavy losses were deemed responsible for the company's problems.

The distinctive fibreglass-bodied Reliant Robin, originally designed as "a rot-proof car for the garageless working class", became the butt of innumerable jokes due to its unstable appearance and low speed.

However, in recent years it achieved cult status as the "company car" of the popular cockney TV character Del Boy.

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#90298d8760 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRETORIA (OCT 25) - South African Trade Minister Kent Durr and his Romanian counterpart Constantin Fota signed the first-ever trade agreement between the two countries here Thursday, Mr. Durr said.

Under the agreement a joint committee will meet annually to discuss ways of promoting mutual trade, Mr. Durr said in a statement.

"This agreement reflects the process of normalisation of relations between South Africa and Romania, which has gathered momentum over the last few months " he said.

"It further establishes the presence of South Africa officially in yet another Eastern European country."

Mr. Fota arrived Wednesday for a three-day visit featuring meetings with Reserve (Central) Bank officials, merchant bankers, industrialists and the heads of South Africa's mining houses, Mr. Durr said.

Mr. Durr hosted a banquet Thursday for Mr. Fota and four of his delegation.

South Africa's Foreign Minister Pik Botha in January paid an official visit to Hungary, and senior ministers have in the past two weeks welcomed teams from Poland and the Soviet Union who came to South Africa privately.

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#90298d9730 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RIYADH, (OCT 25) - King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and U.S. President George Bush discussed the Gulf crisis in a brief telephone conversation Thursday, Riyadh Radio reported.

The two leaders also reviewed issues of mutual interest, the radio said, but gave no details.

In Washington, Saudi Ambassador Prince Bandar ibn Sultan also refused to give details of the Bush-Fahd meeting, except to say that it was "very positive, very encouraging."

Prince Bandar, the son of Saudi Defense Minister Prince Sultan ibn Abdel Aziz, spoke to reporters after meeting at the State Department with Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs Robert Kimmitt and Morris Busby, a senior State Department official in charge of counter-terrorism.

The envoy, who has been a frequent visitor at the State Department over the past few days, stressed he would not comment on intelligence or terrorism matters he discussed with U.S. officials. But he said his country had been a

target of terrorism in the past and was always on the lookout to pre-empt further attacks.

He was asked to react to U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney's remarks Thursday that the United States might send as many as 100,000 more troops to the Gulf to be prepared for any contingency in the conflict with Iraq.

The United States has deployed more than 210,000 ground, air and naval forces in the area, including 150,000 ground forces in Saudi Arabia, since the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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#90298d9880 10/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD, (OCT 25) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has decided to free Bulgarian hostages held in Iraq, a joint Iraqi-Bulgarian statement said here late Thursday.

The announcement came at the end of a visit to Iraq by Bulgarian vice-president Atanas Semerdzhiev.

The statement said Mr. Hussein had "taken the initiative of letting Bulgarian workers in Iraq whose contract has expired or whose presence is no longer necessary to complete their projects to leave the country if they wish."

Their return, however, must await formal approval of the Iraqi parliament.

Mr. Semerdzhiev, arriving in Sofia late Thursday, said that more than 430 out of 690 Bulgarians held in Iraq would be returning home shortly. The 430 were workers whose contracts had expired.

The remaining Bulgarians would stay to finish work on civilian construction sites already begun by Bulgarian firms, the Bulgarian official said.

Opposition deputy Stoian Ganev, a member of the Bulgarian delegation to Iraq, told journalists in Sofia that Mr. Hussein made the decision despite President Zhelio Zhelev's stated intention of sending a Bulgarian military unit to the Gulf.

Mr. Ganev said Iraq's favorable attitude was a result of traditional economic ties between the two countries.

The joint statement in Baghdad, which praised the Iraqi leader's decision, affirmed "the need to settle peacefully all problems in the Arab region."

The two sides also "condemned recourse to war, which would be a catastrophe for humanity and the whole world."

Mr. Semerdzhiev said the problem of Iraq's debt of 1.3 billion dollars to Bulgaria had not been mentioned during his talks with Iraqi authorities.

He said he had the feeling that "President Hussein believes the crisis will be resolved by peaceful means."

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#90298e0009 10/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Lima (OCT. 25) EFE - A group of Peruvian legislators has charged the Army with the disappearance of 60 people in the northeastern jungle region, amid a stepped-up anti-terrorist campaign following an attack on the general in command of the area.

Legislator Blanca Rocha, the spokeswoman for the group including deputies from three parties, said the Army was carrying out "indiscriminate" retaliation attacks since Gen. Mario Britto was seriously wounded in a guerrilla ambush last Friday.

"The Peruvian jungle is in a state of war. Local leaders are arrested without thinking twice, homes are violated and human rights are abused constantly, with the serious result that 60 detainees have been reported missing," Rocha said.

She added that it was not known if the people reported missing after they had been detained were dead or alive.

Anti-insurgency operations have been stepped up since the attack on Britto in the town of Tarapoto, 800 km northeast of Lima, by suspected members of the leftist Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement (MRTA).

The MRTA is believed to receive money and weapons from drug traffickers active in the region, in return for protecting coca leaf crops from which cocaine is made.

More than 21,000 people have died in political violence in Peru since 1980.

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#90298e0010 10/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

San Salvador (OCT. 25) EFE - More than 1,000 people have been murdered and 127 others have disappeared between January and September of this year, according to a report released by a Salvadoran human rights group.

The Human Rights Commission of El Salvador (CDHES) report, released Wednesday, said 1017 people had been murdered over that period, 813 of them by the Army.

The CDHES said leftist Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) rebels

were responsible for 21 of the deaths, while it was not clear who had killed the rest.

According to the report, the Armed Forces were responsible for the disappearances of the 127 people who have gone missing this year.

In the first eight months of the year, 553 people have been captured by the Armed Forces, while the FMLN has seized 79 others.

Over 75,000 people have died since the FMLN began fighting a series of U.S.-backed governments in 1980. Over half of these killings are believed to be the work of right-wing deaths squads linked to the military.

According to a report released this week by the international human rights group Amnesty International (AI), at least 45 people were killed in El Salvador between January and August this year by the death squads.

AI said this figure was more than double the number of murders denounced to the organization over the same period last year.

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#90298e0016 10/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (OCT. 25) EFE - A one-time leftist guerrilla commander turned government minister is about to resign his cabinet post in hopes of getting a chance to help draft a new constitution for Colombia, news reports said Wednesday.

Bogota's Radio Caracol station said Health Minister Antonio Navarro Wolff, the former number-two commander of the leftist M-19 rebel group, would be submitting his resignation Thursday to President Cesar Gaviria.

Navarro Wolff has decided to run for a seat in the 70-member National Constituent Assembly set to be elected December 7 whose job it will be to draft a new constitution for the country, the radio reports said.

A leftist parliamentary deputy told the station that Navarro Wolff was planning to ask the 1982 winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature, Colombian novelist Gabriel Garcia Marquez, to run as an alternate on his party's list of candidates for the constitutional assembly.

Navarro Wolff did extremely well in last May's presidential elections, which were held only a few months after M-19 ended its 16-year-old insurgency under a deal with the government of Gaviria's predecessor, Virgilio Barco.

M-19 emerged as the country's third most-voted political party and survived the loss of its charismatic leader, Carlos Pizarro, who was shot dead by a hired gunman believed working for the drug trafficking gangs.

In a related development Wednesday, 30 former M-19 rebels who settled in the northeastern city of Bucaramanga announced they have all decided to become taxi drivers under a government scheme sponsoring their return to civilian life.

However, in choosing a distinctive name for their co-operative taxi company, the ex-guerrillas were true to their origins, taking the name of a peasant rebellion of the last century.

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#90298e0019 10/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (OCT. 25) EFE - Spanish authorities Thursday continued investigations into a massive fraud by numerous Spanish companies which cheated the government out of almost dlrs 24 million in Value Added Tax (VAT).

Some 50 companies have been implicated in the tax fraud, which involved using falsified VAT receipts paid to phony suppliers to reduce the net amount of the tax owed to the government.

Police arrested a suspect in the fraud Thursday in Madrid, bringing to eight the number of people being held in the scam, authorities said.

The detainees were thought to be responsible for running the phantom companies existing only on paper which sold the phony VAT receipts to the firms under investigation.

The investigations began in Barcelona, where most of the companies implicated in the fraud so far are based, but authorities have found irregularities in the VAT accounting of at least five Madrid-based firms and two in the northern city of Pamplona.

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#90298e0023 10/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (OCT. 25) EFE - A foreign policy adviser to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, Andrei Grachev, was quoted Thursday as saying that the Warsaw Pact will formally be dissolved next year.

Grachev, in Spain preparing for Gorbachev's two-day visit beginning Friday, told the Madrid daily ABC that the East European military alliance would cease to exist "formally next year, now that in reality it disappeared at the moment of German unification."

The adviser said that the Kremlin must change its relations with the East and Germany if its wants to return become part of the new Europe.

Since German unification on October 3, there are six East European nations in the Soviet-led Warsaw Pact.

"As far as we are concerned, there now does not exist any obstacles for the reunification of Europe," Grachev said.

He added that with the new Europe, the cold war defense systems of opposing blocs has to reconsidered.

"With the dissolution of the Warsaw Pact next year we will have to work to create a collective security system in Europe that will not be aggressive, but one that will protect the interests of all Europeans," Grachev said.

Meanwhile, a popularity poll published Thursday in the Madrid daily Diario 16 showed that 57 percent of Spaniards questioned consider Gorbachev as the world leader who has done more to bring about world peace.

According to the poll, the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize recipient was well above German Chancellor Helmut Khol's 8.1 percent and U.S. President George Bush's 4.2 percent.

During Gorbachev's three-day visit to Madrid, he is expected to sign documents outlining the two countries' relations and discuss bilateral and international issues and the Gulf crisis.

He will meet with King Juan Carlos and Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez, and discuss dlrs one billion in Spanish economic aid for Moscow following the approval last week of a plan to set up a market economy in the Soviet Union.

The aid is to be in the form of credits at preferential rates so that Soviet companies can buy goods from Spain.

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#90298e0025 10/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Tirana (OCT. 25) EFE - The foreign ministers of the six Balkan states ended their two-day conference in communist Albania Thursday with a joint statement supporting democracy, a market economy, and the rights of minorities.

"The ministers stress the need to develop a state governed by law, pluralist democracy, democratic institutions and a market economy," read the statement.

The ministers of Albania, Bulgaria, Romania, Greece, Turkey and Yugoslavia also reaffirmed +the efforts of their countries to promote cooperation among the Balkan states in the political, economic, cultural and humanitarian areas+.

Albania backed the statement in favor of Western-style politics and economics in a further indication that it intends to move away from its Stalinist

political and economic systems, and end its international isolation.

On Tuesday, the communist government in Tirana announced free and secret balloting in future parliamentary elections.

Albania is the last East European nation to follow Marxism.

At the conference, the participants managed to put aside bilateral disputes to come up with the joint document pledging further efforts to deepen cooperation in this ethnically diverse region, which has been described by some historians as the "powder keg of Europe".

The ministers also backed Albania's application to join the 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE), to which it was admitted as an observer in July.

The Balkan states +welcome Albania's request to join the CSCE and hope this will occur soon,+ the statement read.

The ministers announced that a conference of the Balkan states will be held annually and the next is to take place in Bulgaria in the autumn of 1991.

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#90298e0026 10/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

(OCT. 25) EFE - Three French tourists, a German and six Cubans, were killed when an airliner with 31 people on board crashed near the eastern city of Santiago, a hospital spokesman said Thursday.

Two other Cubans injured in the crash Wednesday were in critical condition Thursday, including popular singer Miguel Angel Pina, a spokesman for Saturnino Lora hospital in Santiago said.

Twelve Spaniards and seven other Cubans were injured but are expected to survive, the spokesman said.

Officials had said Wednesday that the Europeans killed were all Germans.

The Soviet-built Yak-40, belonging to Cubana de Aviacion airlines, crashed before dawn Wednesday near Santiago's airport, some 900 km southeast of Havana.

The flight was en route to Santiago from Camaguey, in the center of the island carrying passengers from a previous Havana- to-Santiago flight that had been diverted to Camaguey because of bad weather.

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#90298e0034 10/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT. 25) EFE - A senior Palestinian leader claimed Thursday that Israel's closing off the Occupied Territories might be aimed at giving Palestinian jobs to Jewish immigrants from the Soviet Union.

Faisal al-Husseini, who was allowed out of prison on bail on Wednesday, said, "I do not know whether the decision to close off the frontiers is for security after the latest wave of violence, or economic, to give work to the new Jewish immigrants."

Husseini was jailed after being accused by the Israeli authorities of instigating the stoning of Jews praying at the Holy Mount in Jerusalem on October 8.

The incident led to some 22 Palestinians being killed by security forces.

On Wednesday the Israelis closed off the Occupied Territories of Gaza and the West Bank, preventing some 120,000 Palestinians from getting to work in Israel.

Officially the move was said to be aimed at preventing the tit-for-tat violence between Palestinians and Jews that began at the weekend and left four people dead.

But Israeli labor exchanges are now opening 12 hours a day, four more than usual, to fill new offers of jobs in a country that has 10 per cent unemployment and is expecting a flood of 180,000 Soviet Jewish immigrants this year.

Palestinian workers could have been expected to help build houses for these new citizens, as two-thirds of the jobs in the Israeli construction industry were previously held by Palestinians from the Occupied Territories.

Their jobs, normally rejected by the Israelis because of the low pay, could now go to the Soviet immigrants.

Husseini said the closure of the frontiers also threatened to break support for the intifada, the 34-month-old uprising against the Israelis.

"What we need is for the international community to be convinced that we are not seized by the law of the jungle, and that international legality is respected," he said.

"One cannot apply one U.N. resolution against one country, and not against another," he added, alluding to the Palestinians' denunciation of United Nations sanctions against Iraq when Israel ignored those made against them.

Despite the closure of the frontier, many Palestinian workers are believed to be hiding out in Tel Aviv, after being ordered to return to their homes Wednesday by Defense Minister Moshe Arens, Israeli state radio said Thursday.

They said the workers were being hiden by their Jewish employers.

The independent Yedioth Aharonoth newspaper Thursday quoted leading economist Efraim Ajiram as saying "Israel depends on Palestinian workers".

With up to 40 per cent of their population working for the Israelis, the government's closure of the borders would "intensify terrorism ...as these workers now have nothing to lose."

The president of the Association of Palestinian Jornmalists, Raduan Abu Ayesh, told the same paper that the closure was "a political victory for our people".

It recognized a "Palestinian entity separate from Israel", he added, in contrast to Israeli Prime Minister Yitzak Shamir's claims that the Occupied Territories were an integral part of Israel.

He said Israeli troops should now be substituted in the territories by U.N. forces to protect the Palestinians.

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#90298e0036 10/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (OCT. 25) EFE - Argentina posted a dlrs 5.7 billion trade surplus in the first eight months of the year, the National Institute of Statistics and Census (INDEC) announced Thursday.

Using provisional data for August, INDEC said the surplus was 52 percent up on the same period last year.

Most of the exports were agricultural products, but there had also been increases in fossil fuels, paper and textiles, among others.

Argentina's main market was the United States, followed by the Benelux countries (Belgium, Netherlands and Luxembourg), Brazil and the Soviet Union, while the major importers were the United States, followed by Brazil and Germany.

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#90298e0041 10/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT. 25) EFE - Soviet Armed Forces chief Gen. Mikhail Moiseyev said Thursday that negotiations on cutting nuclear arsenals should continue after the first Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START) is signed.

"Nobody can now see the Soviet Union as a power that challenges the rest," he said on a visit to NATO headquarters in Brussels.

The first phase of START, on which U.S. President George Bush and his Soviet counterpart, Mikhail Gorbachev, reached preliminary agreement in June, is expected to be signed before the end of the year.

But while it includes limiting intercontinental missile launchers to 1,600 on each side and long-range nuclear warheads to 6,000, other nuclear weapon systems are excluded.

Moiseyev also asked whether NATO ought to follow the same path as the Warsaw Pact alliance which, he insisted, would eventually be dissolved.

"The Soviet Union does not threaten anybody," he said. "The new Soviet strategy is based on defense. We have no territorial claims against any other state."

Gen. Vigleik Eide, president of NATO's Military Committee, which formulates the alliance's military policy, said Moiseyev had a vision of Europe "free of military blocs" with a new common security structure.

On Friday the Soviet chief will visit the NATO command center near Brussels where he will meet the Chief of Allied Forces in Europe, U.S. Gen. John Galvin.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Citicorp	5,978,800	11 5/8	off	1/4
Genl Electric	2,333,600	51 1/4	off	5/8
Chase Manhatn	2,160,300	11 1/4	off	1/4
MNC Fncl	1,952,700	4 1/8	off	3/4
Unisys Corp	1,848,700	3 3/8	off	1/8
Avon Products	1,826,600	25 1/4	up	3/8
AT&T Company	1,660,300	33 5/8	up	1/4
IBM Corp	1,593,000	108 1/8	off	1/2
Ford Motor	1,402,800	31 3/4	off	1/4
MCA Corp	1,350,300	57	up	7
Pan Am Corp	1,204,000	1 5/8	up	1/8
Exxon Corp	1,191,100	47 3/4	off	3/4
Philip Morris	1,167,400	47 1/2	off	3/4
Bally Mfg	1,157,600	5	unch	
Genl Motor	1,156,500	38 5/8	unch	

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#90298f1825 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 25) UPI - Grain and soybean futures traded in narrow ranges and were mostly lower at the close Thursday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

The prospect of good harvest weather for several days pressured corn and soybeans, as did the lack of export sales. Both corn and soybeans were at or near session lows at the final bell, but losses were tempered by light country movement and firm basis levels.

The possibility of heavy deliveries of November beans on the first notice day Wednesday also weighed on soybean values, as did the weakness in soybean oil and meal.

Corn was pressured by the harvest and profit-taking. There also were indications the Soviet Union may not buy more corn until it receives export credit guarantees.

Commercials dominated the selling in corn, although the volume was light.

Reports of excellent progress in the seeding of soft red winter wheat kept a lid on wheat futures. The lack of exports and spillover weakness from the rest of the floor contributed to the losses in wheat.

At the close, corn was off 1 3/4 to 2 3/4, soybeans unchanged to down 5 1/4, wheat off 1 to 2 3/4 and oats down 1/2 to 3/4.

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#90298h0025 10/25/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 25) XINHUA - AN AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED HERE TODAY BETWEEN THE CHINESE AND CYPRIOT GOVERNMENTS ON THE AVOIDANCE OF DOUBLE TAXATION AND THE PREVENTION OF FISCAL EVASION WITH RESPECT TO TAXES ON INCOME AND ON CAPITAL.

CHINESE STATE COUNCILLOR AND MINISTER OF FINANCE WANG BINGQIAN AND VISITING CYPRIOT MINISTER OF FINANCE GEORGE SYRIMIS SIGNED THE DOCUMENT AND HAD A FRIENDLY MEETING.

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#90298h0030 10/25/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 25) XINHUA - THE INDIAN PLANNING COMMISSION HAS APPROVED A BUDGET ALLOCATION OF 320 MILLION RUPEES (18.8 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRY FOR 1990-91, ACCORDING TO LOCAL PRESS REPORTS TODAY.

HOWEVER, THIS IS REGARDED AS INSUFFICIENT TO MEET THE LARGE REQUIREMENT OF THE SCHEME FOR SETTING UP AND STRENGTHENING FOOD AND VEGETABLE PROCESSING.

INDIA IS BELIEVED TO BE THE THIRD LARGEST PRODUCER OF FRUITS NEXT TO BRAZIL

AND THE USA, AND THE SECOND LARGEST PRODUCER OF VEGETABLES AFTER CHINA. HOWEVER, THE FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRY IN THE COUNTRY HAS REMAINED UNEXPLOITED.

AT PRESENT ONLY ONE PERCENT OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES GROWN IN INDIA ARE PROCESSED.

INDIAN EXPERTS FEEL THE NEED FOR AN URGENT INTEGRATED ACTION PLAN TO TAP THE VAST POTENTIAL IN THE FOOD PROCESSING FIELD TO IMPROVE FOOD SUPPLIES, GENERATE A LARGE-SCALE EMPLOYMENT ESPECIALLY IN RURAL AREAS, PROVIDE A BOOST TO MANY DOWNSTREAM INDUSTRIES AND GARNER FOREIGN EXCHANGE THROUGH INCREASED EXPORTS, THE REPORTS SAID.

THE EXPERTS SUGGESTED THAT STEPS SHOULD BE TAKEN FOR THE ADEQUATE SUPPLY AND UPGRADATION OF THE RAW MATERIAL NEEDED FOR THE FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRY. IT HAS ALSO BEEN SUGGESTED THAT SPECIAL INCENTIVES BE GIVEN TO THE INDUSTRY FOR UNDERTAKING RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS TO DEVELOP HIGH-YIELDING VARIETIES OF CROPS. IN THE INITIAL STAGES THE INDUSTRY MAY BE ALLOWED DUTY-FREE IMPORT OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT NOT AVAILABLE IN THE COUNTRY.

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#90298h0037 10/25/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 25) XINHUA - A DRAFT OF CHINA'S FIRST PROTECTION LAW WHICH SAFEGUARDS THE LEGAL RIGHTS OF THE HANDICAPPED WAS SUBMITTED TO THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS (NPC) TODAY FOR DISCUSSION.

PREMIER LI PENG SAID IN HIS MOTION THAT THE DRAFT LAW WAS DESIGNED TO HELP THE HANDICAPPED EQUALLY PARTICIPATE IN SOCIAL LIFE AND BETTER ENJOY MATERIAL AND CULTURAL ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE SOCIETY.

CUI NAIFU, MINISTER OF CIVIL AFFAIRS, EXPLAINED THE NECESSITY, BASIS, PRINCIPLE AND CONTENTS OF THE DRAFT LAW.

"CHINA HAS MORE THAN 51 MILLION HANDICAPPED PEOPLE, WHO REPRESENT 4.9 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL POPULATION, AND 18.1 PERCENT OF THE CHINESE FAMILIES HAVE AT LEAST ONE MEMBER WHO IS HANDICAPPED," THE MINISTER SAID.

"THEREFORE, IT IS BOTH NECESSARY AND URGENT TO FORMULATE A SPECIAL LAW TO PROTECT THESE PEOPLE WHO ARE FACED WITH A MORE DIFFICULT LIFE." THE MINISTER ADDED.

DURING THE PROCESS OF DRAFTING, THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AFFAIRS COLLECTED AND STUDIED A LARGE NUMBER OF FOREIGN MATERIAL ON THE LEGISLATURE CONCERNING THE HANDICAPPED WHILE CONSULTING DISABLED PEOPLE AND EXPERTS AT HOME.

SINCE 1980 CHINA HAS ADOPTED A NUMBER OF REGULATIONS ON THE PROTECTION OF THE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF THE HANDICAPPED.

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#90298h0038 10/25/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TIANJIN (OCT. 25) XINHUA - WITH A GOOD HARVEST OF AUTUMN CROPS, THE GRAIN OUTPUT OF TIANJIN MUNICIPALITY IS EXPECTED TO REACH 1,800 MILLION KG THIS YEAR AN ALL-TIME RECORD AND 100 MILLION KG MORE THAN LAST YEAR.

THIS WILL BE THE SIXTH CONSECUTIVE BUMPER HARVEST FOR TIANJIN, DESPITE THE FACT THAT THE MUNICIPALITY'S 313,000 HA OF GRAIN-GROWING FARMLAND HAS REMAINED ALMOST THE SAME. THE TOTAL OUTPUT OF GRAINS HAS INCREASED BY 100 MILLION TONS EVERY YEAR AND THE PER-HA OUTPUT HAS GROWN FROM 3,750 KG TO 5,250 KG.

THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT HAS PAID SPECIAL ATTENTION TO AGRICULTURE IN THE PAST FEW YEARS. EXTRA EFFORTS HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF WATER CONSERVANCY PROJECTS, THE UPGRADING OF LOW-YIELDING FARMLAND, THE USE OF FINE SEEDS AND THE IMPROVEMENT OF FIELD MANAGEMENT.

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#90298h0048 10/25/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 25) XINHUA - THAILAND NOW HAS A HIGH RATE OF MENTAL ILLNESS AT 32 OF EVERY 1,000 PEOPLE WITH CHILDREN AND YOUTHS AMONG THOSE MOST SEVERELY AFFECTED, ACCORDING TO A REPORT OF THE THAI PUBLIC HEALTH MINISTRY.

THE REPORT SAID CHILDREN AND YOUTHS MAKE UP A LARGE PART OF THE STATISTICS AND THEY ARE DIVIDED INTO TWO GROUPS, THOSE IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM AND THOSE OUTSIDE THE EDUCATION SYSTEM.

THE LATTER GROUP IS MOST WORRISOME SINCE THEY OFTEN LACK THE GUIDANCE OF ADULTS AND DO NOT HAVE ANYONE TO DEPEND ON MENTALLY.

DR. SUJIN PALAKORNKUL, MEDICAL DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR-GENERAL, SAID THAT WHETHER OR NOT MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS FACING CHILDREN AND YOUTH COULD BE GREATLY ADDRESSED DEPENDED ON A LARGE PART ON THE PARENTS AND THE FAMILY WHICH MUST GIVE TIME AND ATTENTION TO THEM.

PARENTS SHOULD SPEND TIME WITH THEIR CHILDREN AND LISTEN TO WHAT THEY THINK AND GIVE THEM ADVICE RATHER THAN LEAVING THEM TO THEIR OWN DEVICES OR HANDING THEIR CARE TOTALLY OVER TO NANNIES, HE SAID.

A MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE WILL BE FORMED TO STUDY THE ISSUE AND MAKE PROPOSALS TO THE CABINET, SAID THE REPORT.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH MINISTRY WILL ALSO WORK WITH TEACHERS SO THAT THEY COME TO UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEMS AND BEHAVIORS OF THEIR YOUNG STUDENTS.

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#90298h0051 10/25/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
SHANGHAI (OCT. 25) XINHUA - THE SHANGHAI FARCE TROUPE LEFT TODAY FOR SINGAPORE TO PERFORM IN AN INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL BEING HELD THERE.

THIS WILL BE THE TROUPE'S FIRST PERFORMANCE ABROAD. THE TROUPE, COMPOSED OF 30 ARTISTS, WILL PRESENT FOUR DIFFERENT THEATRICAL PERFORMANCES INCLUDING A ONE-MAN SHOW, A TWO-MAN ACT, SHORT PLAYS AND COMIC OPERAS.

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#90298h0056 10/25/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
DAR ES SALAAM (OCT. 25) XINHUA - THE PRESIDENT-ELECT OF ZANZIBAR, SALMIN AMOUR, WAS SWORN IN TODAY AND BECAME THE FIFTH PRESIDENT OF THE ISLANDS AFTER WINNING 97.4 PERCENT OF THE VOTES IN LAST SUNDAY'S GENERAL ELECTIONS.

A CEREMONY, WHICH DREW TOGETHER ALL LEADERS OF TANZANIA, WAS HELD TODAY IN ZANZIBAR TO CELEBRATE THE VICTORY AND SUC- CESSFUL CONCLUSION OF THE GENERAL ELECTIONS ON THE ISLANDS.

MR. AMOUR WAS ELECTED THE SOLE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE BY THE RULING TANZANIA REVOLUTIONARY PARTY IN AUGUST AFTER FORMER PRESIDENT IDRIS ABDUL WAKIL EXPRESSED HIS WISH FOR RETIREMENT.

THE ZANZIBAR ELECTORAL COMMISSION ON TUESDAY DECLARED AMOUR THE NEW ZANZIBAR LEADER. ZANZIBAR WON ITS INDEPENDENCE IN JANUARY, 1964 AFTER THE OVERTHROW OF THE SULTAN RULE IN AN UPRISING.

WITH A POPULATION OF 640,000, THE INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS OF ZANZIBAR AND PEMBA UNITED WITH TANGANYIKA IN APRIL, 1964 TO FORM THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA. ZANZIBAR HAS ITS OWN GOVERNMENT AND PARLIAMENT UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE RULING PARTY AND THE UNION PRESIDENT.

UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA, THE ZANZIBAR PRESIDENT WILL AUTOMATICALLY BECOME THE SECOND VICE PRESIDENT OF TANZANIA. THE GENERAL ELECTIONS OF MAINLAND TANZANIA WILL BE HELD ON OCTOBER 28.

THE NEW CABINET OF ZANZIBAR IS EXPECTED TO BE FORMED IN THE COMING DAYS WHEN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE ISLES' PARLIAMENT, OPENS AGAIN.

MR. AMOUR, 48, HAS BEEN A MEMBER OF THE PARTY CENTRAL COMMI- TTEE, THE COUNTRY'S TOP POLICY-MAKING BODY, AND THE SECRETARY RESPONSIBLE FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND PLANNING OF THE PARTY CENTRAL LEADERSHIP.

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#90298h0092 10/25/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
HONG KONG (OCT. 25) XINHUA - HONG KONG CUSTOMS OFFICERS SEIZED 650,000 H.K. DOLLARS (83,330 U.S. DOLLARS) WORTH OF DRUGS IN A TWO-DAY OPERATION ENDED HERE

TODAY.

THEY INTERCEPTED A 24-YEAR-OLD MAN AT HO MAN TIN STREET, KOWLOON, YESTERDAY AND FOUND ON HIM 356 GRAMS OF SUSPECTED NO. 4 HEROIN.

HE WAS THEN TAKEN TO A NEARBY RESIDENTIAL BUILDING WHERE ANOTHER 105 GRAMS OF SUSPECTED NO. 4 HEROIN WAS DISCOVERED IN AN ELECTRIC BOX.

CUSTOMS OFFICERS LATER RAIDED A FLAT IN HO MAN TIN MANSION AND FOUND INSIDE THE ROOM OCCUPIED BY THE MAN, A TOTAL OF 224 GRAMS OF SUSPECTED NO. 4 HEROIN, 4.538 KILOGRAMS OF SUSPECTED NO. 3 HEROIN AND 60 GRAMS OF SUSPECTED HERBAL CANNABIS.

THE MAN WAS ARRESTED AND WOULD BE CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF DANGEROUS DRUGS FOR UNLAWFUL TRAFFICKING, ACCORDING TO THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES.

IN A FOLLOW-UP ACTION, OFFICERS INTERCEPTED A 21-YEAR-OLD MAN THIS MORNING WHO WAS JUST LEAVING A FLAT IN TAI KOK TSUI, KOWLOON.

THE MAN WAS TAKEN BACK TO THE FLAT WHERE 300 GRAMS OF SUSPECTED NO.4 HEROIN WAS FOUND. HE WAS ALSO ARRESTED.

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#90298h0132 10/25/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (OCT. 25) XINHUA - MALAYSIAN PRIME MINISTER DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD WHO GETS A NEW MANDATE FOR HIS GOVERNMENT IN THE GENERAL ELECTION SUNDAY IS EXPECTED TO ANNOUNCE A NEW CABINET LINE-UP FRIDAY, ACCORDING TO OANA-BERNAMA QUOTING ENGLISH DAILY, THE NEW STRAITS TIMES, TODAY.

THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THAT HE WAS IN THE PROCESS OF FINALIZING HIS LINE-UP AFTER TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE VIEWS AND SUGGESTIONS OF BARISAN NASIONAL COMPONENT PARTY LEADERS WHOM HE MET WEDNESDAY.

BARISAN NASIONAL IS A RULING 10-MEMBER COALITION PARTY LED BY DR MAHATHIR'S UNITED MALAY NATIONAL ORGANIZATION PARTY (UMNO).

DR MAHATHIR SAID HE MET THE LEADERS INDIVIDUALLY TO ALLOW THEM TO SUGGEST CANDIDATES FOR POSITIONS IN THE GOVERNMENT. "THEY HAVE PUT FORWARD THEIR CANDIDATES FOR MINISTER, DEPUTY MINISTER AND PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY'S POSTS," HE SAID.

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#90298k0024 10/25/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NAGOYA (OCT. 25) KYODO - TWO ARMED MEN ABANDONED SOME 30 MILLION YEN IN FOREIGN CURRENCY AND TRAVELERS CHECKS THURSDAY AFTER FAILING TO CRACK THE VAULT IN A HIJACKED SECURITY COMPANY DELIVERY VAN.

BUT THEY MADE OFF WITH 20,000 YEN FROM THE DRIVER OF ANOTHER VAN THEY TOOK TO MAKE THEIR GETAWAY, POLICE SAID. NO ONE WAS HURT OR WOUNDED IN EITHER OF THE INCIDENTS.

THE CONTENTS OF THE DELIVERY VAN INCLUDED 125,500 AMERICAN DOLLARS AND 10,000 AUSTRALIAN DOLLARS IN CASH ALONG WITH 50,000 U.S. DOLLARS AND 5 MILLION YEN IN TRAVELERS CHECKS.

ACCORDING TO AICHI PREFECTURAL POLICE INVESTIGATORS, THE DELIVERY VEHICLE, BELONGING TO A LOCAL SECURITY FIRM, ARRIVED AT THE UNDERGROUND PARKING LOT OF THE NAGOYA BRANCH OF THE BANK OF TOKYO IN CENTRAL NAGOYA AT ABOUT 8:15 A.M. AFTER A 20-MINUTE DRIVE FROM THE SECURITY FIRM'S LOCAL DELIVERY DEPOT.

THE TWO MEN, DISGUISED IN SKI MASKS, APPROACHED THE SECURITY VEHICLE SHORTLY AFTER THE CAR REACHED THE PARKING LOT AND POINTED THEIR GUNS AT THE TWO GUARDS.

WARNING THE SECURITY OFFICERS THAT THE PISTOLS "ARE NOT FAKE," THE MASKED MEN FORCED THE GUARDS FROM THE VAN AND MADE THEM FACE THE PARKING LOT WALL.

THE ROBBERS FIRED TWO SHOTS, GRABBED THE KEYS FOR THE VAULT IN THE VAN AND DROVE THE VEHICLE AWAY.

DURING THE GETAWAY, THE ROBBERS COLLIDED WITH ANOTHER CAR IN THE PARKING LOT AND PUNCTURED ONE OF THE VEHICLES TIRES. POLICE LATER FOUND THE VAN IN ANOTHER PARKING LOT, ABOUT ONE KILOMETER AWAY, WITH THE LOCKED SAFE INTACT.

SECURITY OFFICIALS SAID THE AUTO-LOCK SAFE HAS A SPECIAL COMBINATION, AND WAS ABANDONED BY THE ROBBERS WHEN THEY COULD NOT FORCE IT OPEN.

THE TWO ARMED MEN THEN STOPPED A SECOND CAR, FORCED THE DRIVER FROM THE VEHICLE AND TOOK 20,000 YEN BEFORE DRIVING AWAY.

THE SECOND CAR WAS LATER FOUND IN MEIJO PARK, ANOTHER 500 METERS AWAY, WHERE POLICE BELIEVE THE ROBBERS CHANGED TO A THIRD CAR FOR THE FINAL LEG OF THEIR GETAWAY.

A CAR ABANDONED IN THE UNDERGROUND PARKING LOT AT THE SITE OF THE ROBBERY AND A SECOND CAR, BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN WAITING IN THE PARK NEAR NAGOYA CASTLE, WERE REPORTED STOLEN BY A NAGOYA USED CAR DEALER WEDNESDAY.

THE GUARDS SAID THE ROBBERS APPEARED TO BE BETWEEN 25 AND 30 YEARS OF AGE. ONE WORE A JACKET AND IS ABOUT 160-165 CENTIMETERS TALL. THE OTHER WORE A RED JACKET AND IS ABOUT 170 CENTIMETERS TALL.

THE NATIONAL POLICE AGENCY SAID THURSDAY'S INCIDENT WAS THE 27TH ATTEMPT AT HIJACKING A BANK DELIVERY SINCE 1975 AND THE SIXTH ARMED ATTEMPT. FIFTEEN CASES HAVE BEEN SOLVED. IN ONLY THREE CASES, WERE SHOTS FIRED.

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#90298k0030 10/25/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
HONG KONG (OCT. 25) KYODO - HONG KONG AND CHINA HAVE AGREED TO FURTHER TALKS ON THE TERRITORY'S 127 BILLION HONG KONG DOLLAR AIRPORT AND PORT DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, THE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED THURSDAY.

HONG KONG'S CHIEF SECRETARY DAVID FORD MADE THE ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER 10 DAYS OF TALKS BETWEEN AN EIGHT-MEMBER CHINESE TEAM AND HONG KONG OFFICIALS ON THE PORT AND AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY.

THE DATE OF FURTHER TALKS WILL BE DECIDED LATER THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS, FORD SAID.

HE DESCRIBED THE RECENT TALKS AS "USEFUL, CANDID, AND CONSTRUCTIVE." CHINA AGREED ON THE NEED FOR A NEW AIRPORT IN HONG KONG, BUT HAD RESERVATIONS ABOUT ITS COST, FORD SAID.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CHINESE GROUP ALSO DESCRIBED THE DISCUSSIONS AS USEFUL, BUT SAID A REPORT WILL BE MADE TO BEIJING BEFORE CONCLUSIONS ARE REACHED.

HONG KONG'S AMBITIOUS PLANS TO BUILD A NEW INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND EXPAND PORT FACILITIES HAVE BEEN CRITICIZED BY CHINA IN RECENT MONTHS.

CHINA HAS ACCUSED THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT OF NOT KEEPING IT INFORMED ABOUT THE PLANS. IT HAS ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER THE FINANCING OF THE MASSIVE PROJECT WHICH IS DUE TO BE COMPLETED AFTER THE 1997 RESUMPTION OF CHINESE SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE BRITISH COLONY.

HONG KONG OFFICIALS HAVE MAINTAINED THAT THE PROJECT IS A MATTER FOR THEM TO DECIDE, AND IT WILL PROCEED REGARDLESS OF CHINESE APPROVAL.

BUT WESTERN AND JAPANESE FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS INTERESTS SAY WITHOUT CHINESE SUPPORT, THEY WILL BE WARY OF BACKING THE PROJECT.

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#90298k0033 10/25/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 25) KYODO - MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO. ON THURSDAY DENIED REPORTS IN THE UNITED STATES THAT THE BUYOUT TALKS BETWEEN IT AND MCA INC. HAD BEEN SUSPENDED.

MATSUSHITA'S FINANCIAL AND AUDIO-VISUAL SOFTWARE RECORDING DIVISION VICE-PRESIDENT MASAHIKO HIRATA SAID DISCUSSIONS WITH THE U.S. ENTERTAINMENT COMPANY ARE PROCEEDING IN AN ORDERLY FASHION BUT THERE ARE NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS. HE SAID ANY REPORTS TO THE CONTRARY ARE ERRONEOUS.

TSUZO MURASE, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION AUDIO-VISUAL DEPARTMENT ALSO DENIED THE REPORTS AND SAID THE TALKS ARE CONTINUING.

THE FALL IN MCA STOCK FROM 58 DOLLARS TO 50 DOLLARS AT THE CLOSE OF WEDNESDAY'S NEW YORK TRADING ALSO REFLECTED THE POSSIBILITY OF NEGOTIATIONS TAKING LONGER THAN ORIGINALLY EXPECTED, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

MATSUSHITA AND MCA HAVE BEEN TALKING SINCE SEPTEMBER ABOUT A DEAL WHICH WOULD INVOLVE THE OSAKA-BASED JAPANESE LIGHT ELECTRICAL COMPANY BUYING THE U.S. ENTERTAINMENT GIANT IN A DEAL WHICH WOULD REPORTEDLY COST ABOUT 8 BILLION DOLLARS.

AN MCA BUYOUT WOULD GIVE THE JAPANESE ELECTRONICS MANUFACTURER A BIG CHUNK OF THE U.S. ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY. MCA OWNS UNIVERSAL STUDIOS, WHICH PRODUCES AND DISTRIBUTES MOVIES AND TELEVISION SHOWS. IT ALSO OWNS PUTNAM PUBLISHING GROUP, WHICH PRODUCES AND PUBLISHES RECORDS AND MUSIC, AND HAS VARIOUS CINEMA AND AMUSEMENT PARK INTERESTS.

IN EARLY OCTOBER, VICTOR CO. OF JAPAN ANNOUNCED THE FORMATION OF A NEW RECORD COMPANY WITH MCA. JVC OFFICIALS SAID THE DEAL WAS NOT RELATED TO ITS PARENT COMPANY MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL'S TALKS WITH MCA.

NEVERTHELESS, IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS, JEWISH ACTIVISTS IN THE UNITED STATES HAVE BEEN TRYING TO PRESSURE MCA CHAIRMAN LEW WASSERMAN TO BREAK OFF TALKS WITH MATSUSHITA OVER AN APPARENT BOYCOTT THAT BARS LARGE JAPANESE COMPANIES FROM TRADING WITH ISRAEL.

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#90298k0059 10/25/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 25) KYODO - MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO. IS TALKING WITH DUTCH ELECTRONICS MAKER PHILIPS TO SUPPLY EIGHT-MILLIMETER VIDEOTAPE CAMCORDERS ON AN ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURER (OEM) BASIS, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID THURSDAY.

MATSUSHITA OFFICIALS SAID BOTH PARTIES ARE HOLDING TALKS BUT A DEFINITE AGREEMENT WITH PHILIPS IS YET TO BE SIGNED.

IF AN AGREEMENT IS REACHED THE CAMCORDERS ARE LIKELY TO BE SOLD IN THE UNITED STATES UNDER THE PHILIPS BRAND NAME MAGNAVOX, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE DUTCH ELECTRONICS MAKER CURRENTLY SELLS MATSUSHITA VHS-C RECORDERS AND VHS MOVIE RECORDERS PRODUCED BY VICTOR CO. OF JAPAN IN THE UNITED STATES UNDER THE MAGNOVOX NAME.

VHS IS A VIDEO FORMAT USED ON RECORDING AND PLAYBACK VIDEO SYSTEMS PROMOTED BY MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL AND OTHER COMPANIES. SONY CORP. IS PROMOTING ITS OWN 8-MILLIMETER VIDEO FILM STANDARD.

THOMSON CONSUMER ELECTRONICS, A SUBSIDIARY OF FRANCE'S THOMSON S.A., SELLS HITACHI MOVIE CAMCORDERS UNDER THE RCA TRADEMARK. THOMSON PURCHASED RCA'S TELEVISION DIVISION IN 1987.

ZENITH ELECTRONICS CORP.. THE ONLY U.S. TELEVISION MANUFACTURER, SELLS SANYO ELECTRICS EIGHT-MILLIMETER MOVIE CAMCORDERS ON AN OEM BASIS.

MATSUSHITA OFFICIALS ALSO SAID THEY WILL BEGIN MARKETING HIGH-DEFINITION TELEVISION RECEIVERS FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES SUCH AS PRINTING AND MOVIE THEATRES FROM NEXT YEAR. A SINGLE RECEIVER WILL COST ABOUT 6 MILLION YEN.

HITACHI LTD., TOSHIBA CORP., AND SONY CORP. ARE EXPECTED TO BEGIN MARKETING HIGH-DEFINITION SYSTEMS AT ABOUT THE SAME TIME, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90298k0069 10/25/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 25) KYODO - THE ASIAN BANKERS ASSOCIATION (ABA), WHICH CONSISTS OF 107 MAJOR BANKS IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION, WILL HOLD AN ANNUAL MEETING IN TOKYO ON NOVEMBER 5 AND 6, OFFICIALS AT THE ASSOCIATION SAID THURSDAY.

AT THE SEVENTH ABA ANNUAL MEETING, TETSUYA HORIE, PRESIDENT OF THE LONG-TERM CREDIT BANK OF JAPAN, WILL BE ELECTED NEW ABA CHAIRMAN, SUCCEEDING PATRICK YEOH, PRESIDENT OF DBS BANK IN SINGAPORE, AS THE HEAD OF THE REGIONAL ORGANIZATION, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS.

PRIOR TO THE ANNUAL MEETING, THE ASSOCIATION WILL HOLD A SEMINAR ON THE THEME OF "THE DIRECTION OF REGIONAL COOPERATION IN ASIA-PACIFIC TOWARD THE YEAR 2000."

BANK OF JAPAN GOVERNOR YASUSHI MIENO, PROF. ROBERT A. SCALAPINO, FORMER HEAD OF THE INSTITUTE OF EAST ASIAN STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY, WILL OFFER SPEECHES AT THE FORUM, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE ASSOCIATION WAS FORMED IN 1981 TO PROMOTE CLOSE RELATIONS AND COOPERATION AMONG THE REGION'S FINANCIAL SECTORS.

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#90298k0080 10/25/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 25) KYODO - YAKULT HONSHA CO. SAID THURSDAY IT HAD SET UP A COMPANY IN DELAWARE TO HELP JAPANESE COMPANIES SEEKING BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES IN THE UNITED STATES WITH FEASIBILITY STUDIES FOR PLANNED OPERATIONS.

THE NEW FIRM, YAKULT INTERNATIONAL (USA), IS CAPITALIZED AT 200,000 DOLLARS.

THE FIRM WILL STUDY HOW PLANNED PROJECTS CAN BE SMOOTHLY LAUNCHED IN THE

AMERICAN MARKET, RANGING FROM PRODUCTION TO SALES, WITH AN AVERAGE RESEARCH PERIOD OF ABOUT ONE YEAR, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

TO COVER RESEARCH IN AREAS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, THE FIRM HAS ALREADY SET UP A BUSINESS OFFICE IN LOS ANGELES, THEY ADDED.

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#90298k0092 10/25/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 25) KYODO - ISUZU MOTORS LTD. THURSDAY ANNOUNCED THE DEVELOPMENT OF A LIGHTER AND MORE RELIABLE AUXILIARY BRAKE FOR LARGE TRUCKS AND BUSES.

THE SO-CALLED RETARDER, DEVELOPED JOINTLY WITH SUMITOMO METAL INDUSTRIES LTD., IS THE WORLD'S FIRST USING A PERMANENT MAGNET, ISUZU OFFICIALS SAID.

THEY SAID ISUZU WILL INSTALL IT IN LARGE TRUCKS STARTING IN JANUARY. THE RETARDER, INSTALLED BETWEEN THE ENGINE AND PROPELLER SHAFT, HOLDS DOWN A VEHICLE'S TORQUE SPEED, USING A CURRENT GENERATED BY MAGNETIC FORCE.

OFFICIALS SAID THE NEW RETARDER IS FAR MORE RELIABLE THAN CONVENTIONAL RETARDERS, WHICH USE ELECTROMAGNETS. IT WEIGHS ONLY ABOUT 40 KILOGRAMS, ONE-SIXTH OF THE WEIGHT OF CONVENTIONAL RETARDERS.

THE NEW RETARDER IS SAID TO BE PARTICULARLY EFFECTIVE WHEN A TRUCK OR BUS IS GOING DOWN A LONG HILL.

THE PRICE HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED BUT IT WILL PROBABLY BE ABOUT 500,000 YEN, THEY SAID.

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#90298k0102 10/25/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 25) KYODO - A HIGH-RANKING TAIWAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL SAID THURSDAY THE GOVERNMENT HAS PREVENTED A NUMBER OF PRIVATE TAIWANESE BOATS FROM SAILING TO THE DISPUTED SENKAKU ISLANDS TO ASSERT TAIPEI'S SOVEREIGNTY, ACCORDING TO A TAIWANESE SOURCE HERE.

THE OFFICIAL SAID THE TAIWAN GOVERNMENT TOOK THE PREVENTIVE MEASURES BECAUSE IT WANTED TO AVOID POSSIBLE CASUALTIES RESULTING FROM THE DISPUTE WHICH MIGHT DAMAGE TAIWAN-JAPAN RELATIONS.

JAPAN, TAIWAN, AND CHINA ALL CLAIM SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE UNINHABITED ISLANDS, CALLED DAIOYUTAI IN CHINESE.

THE OFFICIAL ALSO SAID PATROL BOATS FROM THE JAPANESE MARITIME SAFETY AGENCY SPRAYED WATER ON THE TWO TAIWANESE BOATS WHICH ATTEMPTED TO APPROACH THE ISLANDS LAST SUNDAY IN ORDER TO TURN THEM BACK, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE.

THE OPPOSITION TAIWANESE DEMOCRATIC PROGRESSIVE PARTY HAS BEEN PLANNING TO SEND A 300-BOAT FLOTILLA TO THE ISLANDS THURSDAY, THE 45TH ANNIVERSARY OF JAPAN'S RELINQUISHING OF ITS FORMER COLONY.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 25) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei gains 476 points, but the FTSE is off 13 points at midday. ... The dollar is mixed. ... Brent North Sea crude is up 85 cents to $30.85. ... U.S. stocks are firm in London where MCA is up 2 on a "Wall Street Journal" article which says a merger with MATSUSHITA could be complete in a month. ... CITICORP was forced to pay a 12.5% dividend rate at an auction yesterday on about $100 million worth of its preferred stock. ... WARREN BUFFET says in a federal filing that he has bought 9.8% of WELLS FARGO stock. ... SEARS, ROEBUCK says third-quarter net income was off 30% from the same quarter last year. ... EXXON reports flat third-quarter earnings. The Big Three automakers report mid-October sales of cars and trucks rose 7.2%. ... MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE has downgraded $45 billion in FORD's long- term debt.

FROM THE BULLS:

Bonds "often lead the stock market," says BARRY ZISKIN, who runs the Z-SEVEN MUTUAL FUND. "Bonds turned up last week, and that's generally the way the first rally in the stock market will set up after an initial leg down in a bear market." The gains in the utility average and fewer new lows "provided powerful evidence that the stock market was ready to move higher," according to Ziskin. He says the market could rally as high as 2750. ("Investor's Daily", 10/25)

KENNETH SPENCE, director of technical analysis at SALOMON BROTHERS, says that recent strength among the broader market may mean stock prices have seen their lows for now. Despite two days of losses in the Dow this week, the broader market has remained relatively firm. "That is the first thing you look for to give you an indication that the market is starting to build a base," says Spence. (WSJ, 10/25)

FROM THE BEARS:

"Any rally would be temporary," says RON DORAN of C.L. KING. "There's an awful lot out there for investors to be worried about." He says investors are worried about corporate profits and the weak U.S. economy. (Reuters, 10/25)

If this bear market started in mid-July, there is still quite a bit of time left on the downside, says STEPHEN TODD of the "Todd Market Timer." "There is some evidence that this particular bear will be a severe one," says Todd, who believes the current economic background is much worse than in 1973-1974. He is also concerned about the enormous transfer of wealth to countries like Japan. (CNBC "World Business", 10/25)

STOCK MARKET:

WILLIAM RAFTERY, technical analyst at SMITH BARNEY, was encouraged that the market was able to hold firm yesterday. He says, "The market passed the test, and that's good. I look for a tentatively positive day today." (Reuters, 10/25)

"The market looks like it's struggling to move higher," says market letter publisher ROBERT NUROCK. While improving on a broad basis, Nurock says the market is "wasting a very good oversold condition that existed two weeks ago." He is looking for a "downward reaction" in the market within the next two months, but says it "could set up an intermediate-term bottom." ("Investor's Daily", 10/25)

"There has not been a leadership change," says technical analyst WALTER MURPHY of MERRILL LYNCH. "What it comes down to is that the same old leaders who carried the market in the first part of the year have generally been carrying this rally since last week. ... I think what you need to see is a change in leadership before you would begin to think that a rally would be anything more than a reaction to the downturn." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/24)

"It's been a wait-and-see market," says JAMES ANDREWS, first vice president in charge of institutional trading at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT in Philadelphia. "A few more earnings torpedoes aren't going to affect the market," he says. Mr. Andrews adds that he believes the market has the underpinnings "for a little bit of stability with a positive bias." (WSJ, 10/25)

"The advance in the Dow utility index could be looked upon as a contrary sentiment indicator," says BOMAR SECURITIES president MARC CHAIKIN. "Utility stocks are a safe haven for those institutions who must stay in the stock market." He says that the rise in the utility index "means sentiment has become very bearish [and thus bullish for the stock market]." ("Investor's Daily", 10/25)

CHARLES COMER, director of research at CREDIT LYONNAIS SECURITIES, says the market might be hard pressed to get to 2650 on the Dow on the current rally, which he sees as a move in a bear market. Still, he does not recommend getting out of the market now "because, if anything, I do think the market does have a little more to carry [on the upside] over the short-term. I don't

want to overstate the downside. We are not looking for 1700 or numbers like that. I just think it is going to be a long time before it's going to be easy to make money on the long side." He doubts the market will get below 2200 and that it will be a "saw-tooth" kind of move down before "slowly turning around in '91 working back to the upside." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/24)

"People are focusing on what's happening in Washington," says PETER VANDENBERG senior vice president at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "Investors are also comfortable with third-quarter earnings, and they are confident in buying stocks." (WSJ, 10/25)

If a budget agreement was not reached overnight, "a lot of problems will persist" today, says BRIAN FABBRI of MIDLAND MONTAGU. If there is an agreement, "the market will probably sigh some relief," says Fabbri. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/24)

STOCK TIPS:

OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE posted its first quarterly gain since 1989 as third quarter profits jumped 71% to $1.62. BILL BITTERLI of NORTHINGTON PARTNERS had been expecting a flat report and says "I was as surprised as anyone." The company had been hurt by huge payouts in the wake of Hurricane Hugo and Bitterli says better profits reflect the fact that "The weather was a lot better this year." ("Investor's Daily", 10/25)

Children's tastes in toys are turning away from video games and back to more traditional toys manufactured by American companies, says PAUL VALENTINE, toy analyst at STANDARD & POORS. "Last time this happened, it made the toy stocks the number one performing group in 1984," says Valentine who admits toymakers are now on Wall Street's naughty list after earnings disappointments. Valentine predicts another wrestling fad to hit the toy industry, eclipsing Ninja Turtles. His picks: TONKA, GALOOB and UNIVERSAL MATCHBOX. (CNN "Business Day", 10/25)

INFOTECHNOLOGY INC., controlling shareholder of FINANCIAL NEWS NETWORK and UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL, says it does not have enough cash to meet daily operating expenses and has replaced its founder as chief executive. ("The Washington Post", 10/25)

INLAND STEEL's joint ventures with NIPPON STEEL may carry an overall price tag of over $1 billion, but will give the company two state of the art steel plants and will be profitable over the long run. "I think it's going to be real positive for them," says JEFFREY MILLER of DUFF & PHELPS. "But as with all new technologies, you're going to have significant start-up time and take a hit [in earnings]. You can't always predict how big a hit it will be." ("Investor's Daily", 10/25)

"The market is very concerned about banks ... and that concern is most acute

for larger banks," says JAMES McDERMOTT, president of KEEFE, BRUYETTE & WOODS. "CITIBANK is very exposed to loan losses. The third-quarter report did not assuage the marketplace." ("The Washington Post," 10/25)

"CITICORP has a very strong franchise, has good management, so I guess we are more comfortable overall about the prospect for 'Citi' than maybe the marketplace is at this time," says GREGORY ROOT, president of THOMSON BANKWATCH. "On the other hand, it's hard to see how the negative sentiment will subside any time in the near future." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/24)

GENERAL DYNAMICS stock is estimated to be selling for 3.2 times 1991 earnings and far below the company's book value. This valuation would normally attract bargain hunters, but analysts are being conservative. According to ZACKS INVESTMENT RESEARCH, 12 major brokerage houses currently publish opinions of General Dynamics. Three rate it a sell and nine rate it as a hold. "You can make a fundamental case for the stock," acknowledges MICHAEL ROSEN of SMITH BARNEY, who rates the stock a hold. "It's a well-run, well managed company. It's got $2 billion of equity on its balance sheet." The problem? General Dynamics "is everybody's idea of what a defense company is." WERTHEIM SCHRODER's JERRY CANTWELL also rateS the stock as neutral and says, "When you look at GD's book value and the stock price, it's a steal, an absolute screamer. But when you step back, you see they're lashed to the mast of defense spending, and that's tough to escape." He notes that all three of General Dynamics main production operations are headed for substantial cutbacks. (WSJ, 10/25)

"There's tremendous pricing pressure in the [computer] industry and COMPAQ is the most nimble at outmaneuvering rates," says PETER ROGERS of ROBERTSON STEPHENS & CO. ("USA Today", 10/25)

"The retail environment is not a kind one, and it's going to get worse," says ANDREW REGAN of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE. "The weaker players are going to get penalized." Regan may lower his profits estimates for SEARS from $3.90 to "between $3 and $3.50." ("Investor's Daily", 10/25)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"I would not be at all surprised to see the dollar strengthen after another three cents or so on the pound," says MICHAEL SALZBANK, president of RAM ASSET MANAGEMENT. "The yen has a bit more to go on the upside than the other foreign currencies, but I believe the trading there will be very erratic. We

do have perhaps a little more downside on the dollar, but overall these foreign currencies are very overbought." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/24)

The weak durable goods report "refocused the [currency] market's attention on the deteriorating fundamentals," hurting the greenback, says MARC CHANDLER of IDEA. ("Investor's Daily", 10/25)

Currency traders are thinking that the Fed will lower interest rates because of further signs of a weakening economy and improved chances of a pleasing budget accord. This means that "the fundamental reasons to sell dollars are still there," says BASSEM SNAIJE, first vice president at BANCA DELLA SVIZZERA ITALIANA. (WSJ, 10/25)

"The main contribution the Fed can make is to follow a steady course, taking care not to worsen the problems caused by the oil shock," says the president of the SAN FRANCISCO FEDERAL RESERVE BANK, ROBERT PARRY. "If we lose sight of our ultimate goal - to eliminate inflation - we will end up with a kind of rudderless monetary policy that tends to generate higher and higher inflation." ("Investor's Daily", 10/25)

"People are grappling with what to do once a budget gets passed," says JAMES CAPRA, a senior vice president at SHEARSON LEHMAN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES. "Because of the oncoming supply, the [bond market] consensus says sell. But I'm not sure that's the right thing to do, because it is virtually certain the Fed will ease policy after the budget gets passed." (NYT, 10/25)

Billions of dollars of Treasury paper is coming to market, but CHEMICAL's JEFFERY LEEDS says, "I think interest rates are likely to remain relatively steady. You can have some dislocations because ... of the congestion in the market." The trend in interest rates is determined by more fundamental factors such as the shape of the economy and inflation: "On that basis, by the end of the year, I think we'll see lower interest rates." (CNBC "World Business" 10/25)

"The [bond] market looks resilient at the moment, but is likely to go down on supply concerns," notes one bond trader at a U.S. bank. (Reuters, 10/25)

"The latest Federal budget proposals can help municipal bonds," says DAVID MADIGAN of MERRILL LYNCH. "Retail demand for higher-grades remains very strong compared with higher yielding names," says Madigan. ("Investor's Daily", 10/25)

"The news on the Middle East and the budget has been contradictory on an almost daily basis, and that has sort of frozen [securities] investors and the dealer community," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN JR., a senior vice president at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "People just don't know what is going to happen." (NYT, 10/25)

THE ECONOMY:

"We won't see much growth in the economy over the next six to twelve months," says SWISS BANK CORP.'s KEVIN LOGAN. "Companies that might be investing by acquiring more capital equipment are postponing those decisions." ("Nightly Business Report", 10/24)

"The oil situation has had a pervasive effect on economic behavior," says GIULIO MARTINI of SANFORD BERNSTEIN. It has given "a large blow to purchasing power," but has also "caused businesses to react extremely cautiously," according to Martini. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/24)

"The recent decline [in durable goods orders] shows that the slowdown will continue. leading to a recession in the current quarter," says WILLIAM MacREYNOLDS, an economist with the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. GORDON RICHARDS, economist for the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS, says the figures provide "further confirmation that the recession is already in progress." ("The Washington Post", 10/25)

Durable goods "was another report indicating the economy is slowing down," says ELLIOTT PLATT, director of economic research at DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE in New York. He adds that it probably showed "that we're in a recession -- bu probably indicating the recession will be mild." (NYT, 10/25)

While the overall durable goods numbers were negative, certain sectors showed surprising strength, which can be "one more piece of evidence that the industrial economy is holding steady in the face of the unprecedented uncertainty," says EATON CORP. chief economist ADRIAN DILLON. He points out that durable goods constitutes only one-third of the "manufacturing picture" and is the most volatile section. "The volatile portion is remarkably steady " says Dillon. ("Investor's Daily", 10/25)

While indicating a weakness in the economy, the decline in durable goods orders does not "show any signs of total collapse," according to DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS senior economist RICHARD RIPPE. "This is not the kind of report you'd be getting if the economy had just plunged into a deep recession." ("Nightly Business Report", 10/24)

"Durables orders and capital spending are soft and going to get softer and that's bad news for the economy," says MARK VITNER, economist at BARNETT BANKS in Jacksonville, Fla. ("USA Today", 10/25)

Despite the oil shock, the mid-October sales figures for new cars rose dramatically. GM showed an increase of 15.1%, FORD 9.3% and CHRYSLER 5.6%. DOUGLAS LAUGHLIN of BEAR, STEARNS believes that increase is due to the fact that "What the consumer is saying is, 'We think the Mideast crisis is temporary and won't be with us forever." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/24)

"We saw the first signs of a serious peace initiative [in the Middle East] and now people are assessing how tangible, how true that is," says CHRISTIAN GOHLER, an energy trader at MERRILL LYNCH. He says speculators are "actually buying [oil] because they don't believe the lower levels are sustainable." (CNN "Moneyline", 10/24)

IN WASHINGTON:

The Treasury could hold last week's delayed auction as early as today, says JEFFERY LEEDS, chief money market economist at CHEMICAL BANK. The money is needed to refund Treasury debt which will become due. "If the government can't hold its auction today, then the government owes investors $27 billion," says Leeds. Does it have the money to pay? "Yes it does -- it topped off the tank just before the debt ceiling expired," says Leeds. (CNBC "World Business", 10/25)

While Democratic negotiators have given up on their calls for a surcharge on the rich, "we are now focused around a mechanism which will achieve the same impact," says House Speaker REP. TOM FOLEY (D. - Wash.). Foley says it will ensure that "a fair share will be paid by high-income individuals." ("Nightly Business Report", 10/24)

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FINDLAY, OHIO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - OHM Corporation (NYSE: OHM), a leading environmental services firm, today announced operating results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net revenues for the quarter increased 24 percent to $60,693,000, while operating income increased 17 percent to $8,196,000. Net income for the quarter was $2,976,000 or $.25 per share compared to net income of $2,849,000 or $.23 per share for the third quarter in 1989.

The increase in the company's net revenues in the quarter reflected growth in demand for all of the company's services. Net revenues from industrial clients, which accounted for 73 percent of total net revenues, increased 14 percent to $44,000,000 for the third quarter as compared to the 1989 period. Net revenues from the company's EPA Emergency Response Cleanup Services contracts decreased 16 percent to $4,266,000 while revenues from other government contracts increased 129 percent to $12,427,000, reflecting increased activity under the company's many state contracts and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers contracts.

The 1990 third quarter results reflected a nonrecurring special benefit of $423,000 or $.02 per share which primarily related to the divestiture of certain non-productive assets.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net revenues were $160,561,000, an

increase of 36 percent over the comparable 1989 period. Operating income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 91 percent to $16,976,000 from $8,873,000 in the comparable 1989 period. Operating income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, included a nonrecurring charge of $642,000 related to the divestiture of certain non-productive assets. Net income excluding nonrecurring and special charges and gain for the first nine months of 1990 was $5,348,000 or $.45 per share, compared to $1,539,000 or $.13 per share for the first nine months of 1989. Reported net income was $10,963,000 or $.91 per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $1,539,000 or $.13 per share in the comparable 1989 period.

OHM Corporation is a leading nationwide environmental services company with 35 locations across the United States and in Canada. The company provides a full range of environmental assessment, analytical, data management, engineering, design, remediation and waste treatment services to a broad base of industrial and government clients on both a planned and emergency basis.

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METHUEN, MASS. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - NSC Corporation (NASDAQ: NSCC), a leading regional asbestos abatement services company, today announced record earnings for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company reported net income of $1,531,000 or $.27 per share compared to $1,320,000 or $.23 per share for the third quarter of 1989. Net revenues for the quarter increased 44 percent to $14,416,000 from $9,994,000 for the comparable 1989 period.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net revenues increased 53 percent to $34,431,000 from $22,528,000 for the comparable 1989 period. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $3,951,000 or $.69 per share, a 33 percent increase from the $2,976,000 or $.52 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Despite the current downturn in the real estate market in the northeastern United States, NSC has continued to receive significant commitments for new work in these markets. These commitments are primarily attributable to the company's strong relationships with large commercial customers and its successful entry into the metropolitan New York City market. NSC's backlog was $15,400,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, a 51 percent increase over backlog at Sept. 30, 1989. Backlogs in the New England and metropolitan New York City markets increased 21 percent and 275 percent respectively, at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to Sept. 30, 1989.

The company noted that operating margins during the quarter were negatively affected, as compared to the first half of the year, by a greater proportion

of lower margin institutional revenues and a more competitive pricing environment. The company said it expects the impact of both of these factors to be diminished in the fourth quarter as institutional work tapers off and work for the company's traditional commercial clients increases.

NSC Corporation is a subsidiary of OHM Corporation (NYSE: OHM), a leading environmental services firm. NSC Corporation completed its initial public offering of 1,725,000 shares of its common stock in June 1990. The company provides its asbestos abatement services primarily to private sector clients at commercial, industrial and institutional properties located in the Northeastern United States.

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#90298p9290 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

OYSTER BAY, NY (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Hot on the heels of the successful September release of Acclaim Entertainment, Inc.'s (NASDAQ: AKLM) first "Simpsons" hand-held video game, the company announced today that it will release its "Bartman(TM): Avenger of Evil" hand-held in November, just in time for the holiday selling season. Under an exclusive licensing agreement with Twentieth Century Fox Licensing & Merchandising Corporation, Acclaim is publishing Nintendo Entertainment System (NES)(R) and Game Boy(TM) video games as well as SuperPlay (TM) hand-helds based on the popular "Simpsons" property.

"Our first 'Simpsons' hand-held has been extremely well-received, and we anticipate 'Bartman' to also be a strong seller as the holiday shopping season fast approaches," said Robert Holmes, president of Acclaim. "With 'The Simpsons' TV show recently surpassing 'Cosby' in teen ratings, it's clear the licensing sensation of the year has a firm hold on the American public, particularly our target audience."

The Acclaim "Bartman: Avenger of Evil" SuperPlay hand-held will be available in November and is expected to retail for approximately $19.95.

Acclaim Entertainment, Inc., is a leading publisher, marketer and distributor of home entertainment products under the Acclaim and LJN labels. These include Nintendo Entertainment System software, Nintendo Game Boy compact video system software, wireless remote controllers and hand-held electronic video games.

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#90298p9292 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - NERCO Inc. (NYSE: NER) today reported developmental drilling and operating results for its NERCO Oil & Gas Inc. unit of Vancouver, Wash., including preliminary testing of a successful new oil and gas development well located in federal waters 80 miles south of Morgan City, La.

The Ship Shoal 202 No. 5 well was successfully tested in two zones between 14,576 feet and 14,660 feet and proved up new pay horizons in the field. The two zones tested at a combined rate of 1,275 barrels of oil per day and 9.5 million cubic feet of gas per day, with 3,184 pounds per square inch flowing tubing pressure. A third zone further uphole contained only water, and completion of a fourth zone is in progress.

The Ship Shoal field consists of four producing wells and a manned, four-pile production platform. The new well is expected to be on production by early December. Current net daily production from the field is 1,650 barrels of oil and 1.7 million cubic feet of gas.

NERCO President Lawrence E. Heiner noted, "This is a good example of our strategy to increase the value of purchased properties through an effective exploration and development drilling program."

According to NERCO Oil & Gas President Roger A. Markle, "We believed at the time that we acquired these properties that significant additional development potential existed." Markle noted additional field drilling is scheduled in order to fully evaluate and develop these new oil reserves, which were acquired early in 1990 from several sellers, including the Sandefer Group.

NERCO Oil & Gas is operator of the Ship Shoal 201/202 field and has a 75 percent working interest in the property. Other working interest partners in the field are a subsidiary of Utilicorp United Inc. and Corpus Christi Oil & Gas.

A development well previously announced in late September was placed into operation yesterday at the Eugene Island 108 field, located 25 miles offshore of St. Mary Parish, La. NERCO acquired a 61 percent operating interest in the field in 1988 and 1989.

NERCO Oil & Gas is a wholly owned subsidiary of NERCO Inc., a leading North American producer of coal, gas, oil, gold and silver. Approximately 82 percent of NERCO's common stock is indirectly owned by PacifiCorp (NYSE: PPW), a diversified electric utility.

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#90298p9294 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

HADDONFIELD, NJ (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - United Medical Corp.'s (AMEX: UM) income from continuing operations for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased to $324,000 or $.12 per share versus $287,000 or $.10 per share a year ago.

Revenue for the quarter increased to $9,580,000 in 1990 compared to $8,697,000 in 1989.

Income from continuing operations for the first nine months of 1990 was $1,219,000 or $.44 per share compared to $643,000 or $.22 per share in 1989. Revenue for the same period was $30,758,000 in 1990 versus $27,064,000 in 1989 an increase of 14 percent. Income from discontinued operations for the first nine months of 1989 was $8,834,000 or $3.00 per share and reflects the gain on the sale of Renal Care Centers Corp. Net income through Sept. 30 was $1,219,000 or $.44 per share in 1990 compared to $9,108,000 or $3.10 per share for the same period in 1989.

The quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, marks the ninth consecutive period that income from continuing operations has increased compared to the previous year and the 11th consecutive quarter of profitability.

As previously announced, UM declared a quarterly dividend of $.05 per share of common stock payable Nov. 15, 1990, to holders of record as of Nov. 2.

UM, through its subsidiaries, offers health and research services and products which include Holter and pacemaker monitoring, comprehensive medical services for corporate clients, new drug applications, and the manufacture and sale of motorized treadmills.

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#90298p9295 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Belmac Corp. (AMEX: BLM), a Tampa-based pharmaceutical company, today announced that it has begun development of a new drug compound for the treatment of and protection against deadly chloroquine-resistant malaria.

Jean-Francois Rossignol, Ph.D., Belmac's CEO says, "Preclinical work on the new Belmac anti-malarial drug will begin immediately and initial human testing should begin within the next 12 to 18 months." Dr. Rossignol's work with international health organizations and the pharmaceutical industry from 1974 to 1987 led to, among other things, the development of the anti-malarial drug Halfan, marketed by SmithKline Beecham.

Drug resistant strains of malaria are having a significant medical, social and

economic impact on over 100 countries and are of major concern for people traveling to areas where certain strains of the disease can be fatal within a matter of hours. Data recently released by the World Health Organization listed malaria number one among common tropical diseases with approximately 270 million people currently infected, primarily in third world countries.

Due to the diminishing effectiveness of chloroquine against resistant strains of the malaria parasite, alternate therapy is needed.

Belmac has also begun marketing its new hemorrhoidal treatment drug, ALPHANON(R), in East Africa and expects to receive regulatory approval in France late this year. In addition to its anti-malarial and anti-hemorrhoidal drugs, Belmac's strategy is to develop a full line of pharmaceutical products in certain disease categories.

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#90298p9298 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, NY (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert G. Wilmers, president and chief executive officer of First Empire State Corporation (AMEX: FES) ("First Empire"), announced today that R. Bruce Sampsell has resigned as chief operating officer effective Nov. 1, 1990.

Sampsell joined the company in February 1990 after a 20-year career with The Quaker Oats Company, the last seven years of which he served as president of the Fisher-Price Division.

"Bruce is an able and talented manager, and we are sorry to lose him," Wilmers said. "He made a definite contribution to First Empire." Wilmers indicated that Sampsell intended to pursue other interests not related to commercial banking, but that Sampsell would remain on the board of directors of First Empire State Corporation and Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company ("M & T Bank"), its principal banking subsidiary.

In addition to M & T Bank, (Buffalo, N.Y.), First Empire's subsidiaries include The East New York Savings Bank (New York City, N.Y.) and The First National Bank of Highland (Highland, N.Y.).

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#90298p9299 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MICH. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - For the fourth time this year, Consumers Power Company has announced it has reduced its electric rates

effective for the remainder of 1990.

Beginning with November bills, the 6-percent decrease amounts to a reduction of $2.02 on the average residential customer's monthly electric bill. In August, the company reduced its electric rates 1.5 percent, which followed previous decreases of 1.6 percent in May and 5 percent in March. This latest reduction, through the company's power supply cost recovery mechanism, is the result of the utility's efforts to lower fuel and purchased and net interchange power costs.

"This electric rate reduction is further evidence of Consumers Power's efforts to remain the lowest-cost major provider of electricity in Michigan," said Michael G. Morris, the utility's executive vice president. "We're working to maintain rates as low as possible to keep our industrial customers competitive both nationally and globally," Morris said.

Morris attributed the reduction to the company's ability to temporarily obtain significant amounts of low-cost purchased power. "The price cut also reflects the continuation of our success in negotiating a lower coal transportation contract for our power plants and renegotiating lower prices on our existing coal purchase contracts," said Morris.

Consumers Power's residential electric rates have consistently ranked in the lowest one-fifth in national surveys. The company's electric rates are about the same as they were five years ago -- a real (inflation adjusted) decrease of 17 percent. The monthly electric bill for Consumers Power's average residential customer continues to be lower than that of 80 percent of the nation's utilities.

Consumers Power serves electricity to more than 3.3 million people in a 27,800-square-mile service area encompassing 61 counties in Michigan.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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WORCESTER, MA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Transgenic Sciences, Inc. (NASDAQ: TSIN) today announced that it has been awarded two Phase I Small Business Innovation Research Grants from the National Institutes of Health to develop advanced preclinical models for testing potential AIDS therapeutics and vaccines.

"The research supported by these grants is part of our strategy to build the

industry's most comprehensive portfolio of disease models for AIDS," said James P. Sherblom, chairman and CEO of TSI. "TSI currently provides pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies with preclinical AIDS testing services based on rabbit, SCID-hu mouse and simian immunodeficiency disease models." He noted that "these two grant awards also recognize our expertise in transgenic technology as well as in the development of preclinical AIDS tests."

The first grant is for the development, through transgenic technology, of a second generation rabbit model that incorporates the human CD4 receptor in its white blood cells. The CD4 receptor is a key site through which the AIDS virus (HIV) is believed to enter the immune system. The second grant is for the development of a laboratory (in vitro) test to allow researchers to assess rapidly and safely a compound's ability to block the activity of a key HIV viral enzyme called reverse transcriptase.

TSI is a life sciences company developing advanced toxicology tests and disease models based on genetic engineering and transgenic techniques to improve the efficiency of the pharmaceutical/chemical development process. TSI is also developing animal strains capable of producing commercially valuable pharmaceutical proteins, as well as strains with desirable growth and genetic characteristics.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Bindley Western Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: BIND) announced today that both sales and earnings for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 were the best ever recorded for a third quarter.

Sales of $522 million were 39 percent ahead of the $376 million recorded in 1989. Net earnings increased by 13 percent to $1.34 million in 1990 from $1.19 million (before the extraordinary charge) in 1989. Per share earnings of $.20 in 1990 compared to $.19, before the extraordinary charge, and to $.10 after the charge in 1989. In September of 1989, the company settled a matter with the government and took a $523,000, or $.09 per share charge against 1989 third quarter and nine-month earnings.

For the nine months, sales increased by 29 percent to $1.44 billion from $1.11 billion in 1989. Net earnings of $4.74 million were 52 percent ahead of the 1989 nine-month period (before the extraordinary charge). Per share earnings amounted to $.71 on a primary basis and $.67 fully diluted compared to primary and fully diluted earnings of $.49 in 1989 before the extraordinary charge, and $.41 after the charge.

In commenting on the results for the quarter, chairman and CEO William E. Bindley indicated that the company was pleased with the large increase in sales and satisfied with the 13 percent increase in net income, considering that the 1990 third quarter LIFO charge was $1.4 million. This compares to $1.1 million in each of the first two quarters of 1990 and to $900,000 in each of the first three quarters of 1989. Further, he pointed out that operating cash flow (net income on a FIFO basis plus depreciation and amortization) of $3.03 million in the 1990 third quarter increased 23 percent from $2.47 million (before extraordinary charge) in the 1989 quarter. For the nine months, operating cash flow increased 34 percent to $9.36 million from $7.00 million. Bindley concluded that the company expected to meet or exceed its operating plan for 1990.

Bindley Western, with 1990 revenues expected to approach $2 billion, is one of the largest drug wholesalers in the United States and specializes in the distribution of ethical pharmaceuticals and related products. The firm serves customers in 39 states through distribution centers in Atlanta, Brockton, Mass., Charlotte, N.C., Dallas, Houston, Indianapolis, North Hollywood, Calif. Orlando, Fla., Phoenix, Ariz. and Stamford, Conn.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS
(000S omitted, except share data)
Nine Month period ended Sept. 30

	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,438,240	$1,112,897
Other income	3,718	4,216
Total	1,441,958	1,117,113
Cost of products sold	1,404,859	1,084,615
General and administrative	17,938	15,385
Interest expense	9,247	10,191
Depreciation & amortization	2,389	2,200
Total	1,434,433	1,112,391
Earnings before income taxes and extraordinary item	7,525	4,722
Provision for income taxes	2,784	1,593
Earnings before extraordinary item	4,741	3,129
Extraordinary item	---	523
Net earnings	4,741	2,606
Earnings per share:		
Primary:		
Net earnings before extraordinary item	$.71	$.49
Net earnings	$.71	$.41
Fully diluted:		
Net earnings before extraordinary item	$.67	$.49

Net earnings	$.67	$.41
Average shares outstanding:		
Primary	6,635,796	6,388,572
Fully diluted	10,267,353	10,092,121

	Three Month period ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$521,914	$376,370
Other income	1,251	1,301
Total	523,165	377,671
Cost of products sold	511,246	366,849
General and administrative	5,967	5,299
Interest expense	3,007	2,987
Depreciation & amortization	815	724
Total	521,035	375,859
Earnings before income taxes and extraordinary item	2,130	1,812
Provision for income taxes	788	620
Earnings before extraordinary item	1,342	1,192
Extraordinary item	---	523
Net earnings	1,342	669
Earnings per share:		
Primary:		
Net earnings before extraordinary item	$.20	$.19
Net earnings	$.20	$.10
Fully diluted:		
Net earnings before extraordinary item	$.20	$.19
Net earnings	$.20	$.10
Average shares outstanding:		
Primary	6,687,330	6,393,757
Fully diluted	10,318,887	10,097,306

CONTACT: Sue Goebel of Bindley Western Industries, Inc., 317-298-9900.

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#90298p9314 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Isramco, Inc. (NASDAQ: ISRL), operator of the Negev Venture 2, issued the following statement in Israel earlier today on behalf of the venture partners:

"An early summing up of the accounts of the Yam 2 well suggest that the total expenditure of the Negev joint venture came to $43.95 million.

"All of the participants in the Negev Venture 2, with the exception of the H.E.I. Partnership, paid their participation up to the amount of $43.30

million and were requested, including H.E.I., to pay up the balance of $650,000 by Oct. 5, 1990.

"H.E.I. is late in payment in the amount of $1.78 million (without interest for late payment) and was put on notice in regard to the delay on Oct. 3, 1990.

"H.E.I. announced on Oct. 25, 1990, that a payment of $200,000 on account of its outstanding debt will be made immediately, and that the owed balance of $1.58 million is the result of the non-receipt of the grant by the government of Israel to H.E.I. at this time.

"At an operators' meeting, at which H.E.I. was not present, which took place on Oct. 24, 1990, the participants reiterated their keen desire to have H.E.I. continue its participation in oil exploration in Israel in general and specifically in the Negev Venture 2. In addition at the meeting, the operator was requested to act in accordance with the joint operating agreement and send a formal notice to H.E.I. requesting payment of the outstanding debt within five days. Otherwise, the operator will have to ask the other participants to cover H.E.I.'s debt, pro-rata to their participation in the Negev Venture 2.

"The operator acted accordingly on Oct. 24, 1990, and issued the appropriate notices to H.E.I., requesting the payment of the outstanding debt."

In issuing the statement, Joseph Elmaleh, Isramco chairman, said, "It is our belief that the Israeli government's delay in paying the full amount of its grant to H.E.I. for the Negev Venture 2 represents the increased requirements placed on its budget by such events as the immigration of Jewish people from the Soviet Union, for which the nation's infrastructure of housing and related facilities must be expanded.

"We are hopeful that discussions between the government and the H.E.I. group will be constructive and that the new, three-well, $40 million program Dr. Hammer recently announced will proceed with the support of all the participants including the government of Israel."

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WILMINGTON, DEL. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Rollins Truck Leasing Corp. (NYSE, PSE: RLC) today reported its results for the fourth fiscal quarter and the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues from continuing operations were $86,756,000 a 7 percent increase over the previous year. Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes were $8,749,000, a 16 percent

improvement over the prior year. Net earnings increased by 13 percent to $5,354,000 or $.28 per share compared with $4,722,000 or $.25 per share last year.

The company noted that the results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, reflected higher revenues in each of its services -- full service leasing, commercial rental, guaranteed maintenance and dedicated carriage. The company said the 7 percent revenue increase for the quarter was gratifying considering the sluggish economic conditions that existed during the period.

For the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased by 6 percent to $331,173,000. Earnings from continuing operations increased by 7 percent over last year. Net earnings were $18,033,000 or $.96 per share compared with $17,299,000 or $.92 per share in 1989. Net earnings for 1989 included $501,000 or $.02 per share from spun-off operations.

The company said it was pleased with its results for the year, a period in which there was little or no economic growth and a period which required a constant review of costs. Despite higher bad debt, workers compensation and health care expenses for the year, the company generally maintained its operating margins by tightly managing its other operating and overhead expenses.

Rollins Truck Leasing Corp. is one of the largest full-service truck leasing and rental companies in the United States. The company services more than 20,000 vehicles from 189 locations throughout the country.

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#90298p9317 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELMIRA, NY (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Artistic Greetings Incorporated (NASDAQ: ARTG) today announced earnings of $316,222 or $.08 per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, versus $123,184 or $.05 for the year earlier.

The company also posted an increase in revenues to $7,794,968 from $4,043,875 for the year earlier. Approximately $700,000 is attributed to the discontinuation of a joint venture in which sales and costs were shared by both parties. This year, Artistic books all expenses and revenues.

Year to date net 1990 income results were reported as $900,165, or $.30 per share, versus $475,154, or $.21 per share for the prior year. Sales were $26,706,613 versus $12,979,431 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 vs. 1989, respectively.

Average number of shares for the quarter jumped from 2,325,624 in the year

earlier to 3,825,624. Shares for the nine months increased to 3,035,764 versus 2,285,764 for the year previous. Both increases in common shares outstanding are the result of Artistic's sale of 1,500,000 shares to American Greetings Corporation (NASDAQ: AGREA) of Cleveland, in May 1990.

Finally, the company said it was extremely pleased with the results from a quarter that historically is considered weak. The improved sales results are attributed to better catalog responses for its products. The fourth quarter, historically, has been the company's best quarter of the year.

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#90298p9318 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Rollins Environmental Services Inc. (NYSE, PSE: REN) today reported results for the fourth fiscal quarter and the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues from continuing operations increased 19 percent to $53,551,000 from $45,018,000 in the prior year. Net earnings improved 37 percent to $8,713,000 from $6,375,000, while earnings per share increased to 14 cents compared to 11 cents for the prior year.

For the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues from continuing operations increased 23 percent to $200,043,000 from $162,794,000 in the prior year. Earnings from continuing operations, before special charge, improved 49 percent to $27,892,000, or 46 cents per share, from $18,665,000, or 31 cents per share in the prior year. The company reported a special charge of $48,600,000 ($32,708,000 after tax benefit or 54 cents per share) and a loss from discontinued operations of $5,942,000 or 10 cents per share in 1989. As shown below net earnings for the year were 46 cents per share compared to a loss of 33 cents per share in 1989.

Year Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Earnings (loss) per share:		
Operations	$.46	$.31
Special charge	--	(.54)
Continuing operations	.46	(.23)
Discontinued operations	--	(.10)
Net earnings (loss)	.46	(.33)

The company continues to improve its financial performance with solid operating results from its incineration and service operations.

The company is a technological leader for commercial incineration in the chemical waste treatment and disposal industry and operates facilities in Baton Rouge and Plaquemine, La., Bridgeport, N.J.; and Deer Park, Texas.

Chempak treatment and disposal services for small quantity generators of hazardous waste are provided through offices located in Delaware, North Carolina, Michigan, Illinois, Louisiana, Texas, New Mexico and California. The company also operates waste processing, recycling and repackaging facilities in Tipton, Mo., and Los Angeles, and a major laboratory facility in Ann Arbor, Mich.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Imaging Centers of America Inc. (MICA) (NASDAQ: MIKA) announced today consolidated revenues for the third quarter 1990 rose 113 percent to $21,377,000 from $10,049,000 for the third quarter 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, consolidated revenues increased 92 percent to $55,648,000 in 1990 from $28,987,000 in 1989. Net income for the third quarter 1990 was $1,856,000 ($.17 per share), compared to $1,194,000 ($.16 per share) in 1989, an increase of 55 percent. On a year-to-date basis, net income in 1990 was $4,095,000 ($.43 per share), compared to net income of $2,753,000 ($.38 per share) in 1989, a 49 percent increase.

According to Antone J. Lazos, chief executive officer, "Since our tax loss carryforward was completely utilized in 1989, we are fully taxable in 1990. Our pre-tax income of $3,024,000 for the third quarter 1990 increased 146 percent over pre-tax income of $1,228,000 for the third quarter 1989. On a year-to-date basis, 1990 pre-tax income increased 136 percent to $6,662,000, compared to 1989 pre-tax income of $2,828,000. The high technology services market offers considerable opportunity for continued growth and expansion."

MICA provides high-technology medical services to the hospital and physician communities.

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#90298p9321 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Sara Lee Corporation (NYSE: SLE) today announced record earnings for the first quarter ended Sept. 29.

Net income for the quarter rose 13.4 percent to $106.3 million from $93.8 million reported for the same period last year. Primary earnings per share increased 10.5 percent to $.42, compared with $.38 a year ago. Net sales for the quarter were $3.1 billion, up 11.6 percent over last year's $2.7 billion.

"Our 1991 first quarter results for each of our businesses met or exceeded our expectations," said John H. Bryan, chairman and chief executive officer. "We achieved good sales and earnings growth in our personal products businesses and particularly strong results from our international operations -- coffee and grocery and household and personal care. Profits continue to be somewhat soft in our packaged meats and bakery business."

Sales for packaged meats and bakery rose due to increased meat volumes and higher hog prices. The decline in operating income for this business reflects lower bakery profits. Unit volume for Sara Lee packaged meats increased 2 percent with particular strength in luncheon meats and smoked sausage. Sara Lee bakery reported a 5 percent unit volume decrease although international unit sales continued to be strong. PYA/Monarch, the corporation's foodservice business, reported an 8 percent unit volume increase.

Sara Lee coffee and grocery reported an increase in sales and operating income. Retail coffee volumes rose 8 percent in the quarter, and margins expanded due to cost-cutting efforts and strong market positions. In addition, this line benefited from the strengthening of foreign currencies relative to the U.S. dollar.

Sara Lee Corporation, an international food and consumer products company, markets a wide variety of brand-name products including Hanes, Hanes Her Way, L'eggs, Champion, Kiwi, Ball Park, Jimmy Dean, Douwe Egberts, Dim and, of course, Sara Lee.

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-30- 2285

#90298p9323 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Supercomputing Solutions Inc. (NASDAQ: SUPR) today announced its financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported revenues of $345,166 and a net loss of $710,078, or $.11 per share. This compares with revenues of $311,888 and a net loss of $1,099,948, or $.24 per share, recorded in the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company incurred a net loss of $3,216,046, or $.49 per share, on increased revenues of $1,474,982. These results compare to a 1989 nine-month loss of $2,341,763, or $.54 per share, on revenues of $1,129,251 recorded during the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Improvements in revenues reflect completion in 1990 of the initial phase of

the Direct Solution of Turbulence (DST) contract, completion of contracts with TRW Inc. (NYSE: TRW) and Northrop Corp. (NYSE: NOC) and partial completion of a contract to port (i.e. integrate) a software code onto the company's CAPPS 9064 supercomputer.

In addition to the cost reductions, the company announced that it raised approximately $400,000 from a private offering of convertible preferred stock; that John A. Hoffman, formerly executive vice president, was no longer with the company; that Marshall Geller resigned as a director of the company for personal reasons; and that it had resolved a long-standing contract dispute with Northrop Corp. for its predecessor B-32 computer, resulting in the final payment on the contract of $96,000.

Supercomputing Solutions Inc. designs, manufactures and sells supercomputers, minisupercomputers and software to the aerospace, defense and electronics industries and to agencies of the U.S. Government. The company also owns and markets the copyrighted STARDYNE software package for structural analysis.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Supercomputing Solutions Inc. (NASDAQ: SUPR) today announced its financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

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"The company's marketplace during the third quarter was and continues to be dominated by important world and national events. Middle East tensions, the U.S. Government's delay in establishing a fiscal budget and the onset of an economic recession have combined to partially paralyze potential buyers of supercomputers, resulting in their postponement of capital investment

decisions. The government's fiscal budget delays have impacted the timing of the award of the next phase of the DST contract. These results, in turn, negatively impact the company's fiscal condition and critical cash position," said Allan D. Simon, chairman of the board.

"However, we have engineered a marked reduction in the company's cash needs, the result of several cost saving actions implemented during the summer months. When compared to the second quarter of 1990, the third quarter saw an $800,000 decrease in operating costs and expenses and a reduction of the quarterly loss of $400,000. We will continue to frugally invest our resources during this current 'marketplace malaise' and focus our energies on achieving the award of the next phase of the DST contract." Simon went on to add that the company's proposal for the next phase of the DST contract could result in revenues of $6.5 million over a 26-month period, with an option exercisable by the U.S. Government after nine months into the program for an additional $4.5 million. "Although there can be no assurances we will be awarded the DST contract, we believe such an award would be the singular event that would move the company to a greater stature in the marketplace," said Simon.

In addition to the cost reductions, the company announced that it raised approximately $400,000 from a private offering of convertible preferred stock; that John A. Hoffman, formerly executive vice president, was no longer with the company; that Marshall Geller resigned as a director of the company for personal reasons; and that it had resolved a long-standing contract dispute with Northrop Corp. for its predecessor B-32 computer, resulting in the final payment on the contract of $96,000.

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SUPERCOMPUTING SOLUTIONS INC.
SUMMARY CONDENSED FINANCIAL DATA

Statement of Operations Data

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$345,166	$311,888	$1,474,982	$1,129,251
Total operating costs and expenses	1,020,136	1,412,856	4,705,969	3,345,998
Net loss	(710,078)	(1,099,948)	(3,216,046)	(2,341,763)
Net loss per share	(.11)	(.24)	(.49)	(.54)

Balance Sheet Data

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Current assets	$1,844,061	$6,282,474
Total assets	5,097,607	8,967,609

Current liabilities	2,006,748	2,710,871
Long-term obligations	5,519	73,038
Stockholders' equity	3,085,340	6,183,700

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#90298p9325 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - An exploration well in Alaska's Cook Inlet has been plugged and abandoned after failing to discover commercial accumulations of hydrocarbons.

ARCO Alaska Inc. was operator for the exploratory venture on the Sturgeon prospect and contributed 50 percent of the cost of the well. Partners were Beard Oil Co. (25 percent), Union Pacific Resources Co., a subsidiary of Union Pacific Corp. (20 percent), and Rowan Petroleum Inc. (5 percent). Drilling began in late August.

The drilling rig used for the venture, Global Marine's Adriatic VIII, is being prepared for towing to the port of Seward.

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#90298p9328 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Bell Industries Inc. (NYSE PSE: BI) today reported continued improvement in operating results for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income advanced 8 percent to $2,337,000, equal to $.40 a share, compared with $2,163,000, or $.37 a share, for the similar quarter last year.

Operating income (income before interest, corporate expense and taxes on income), rose 10 percent to $6,814,000. Interest income declined to $36,000 from $207,000 last year, while interest expense increased to $723,000 from $652,000. The principal factor for the change in interest expense/income was the utilization of funds to pay the first installment of the special $4.00 a share cash dividend, which occurred in March 1990.

Sales increased nearly 3 percent to $103,976,000 from $101,291,000 for the corresponding prior year period.

Theodore Williams, president and chief executive officer, noted that this marks the fifth consecutive quarter-to-quarter improvement in earnings. "While growth in sales was nominal, it did represent a reversal of the trend which prevailed throughout last year," Williams stated. Since the December

1989 quarter, sales have increased on a sequential basis.

Reviewing the first quarter performance, Williams said the period was highlighted by the following:

-- Operating income from electronics distribution improved 5 percent on approximately the same sales volume as last year.

-- Gross margins in electronics distribution were maintained at 26.4 percent. Corporate-wide gross margins held steady at 24.8 percent.

-- The Building Products Group was the best performer, registering a 92 percent gain in operating income on a 13 percent increase in sales.

The company continues to maintain a strong financial condition. At Sept. 30, working capital was $96,000,000; the current ratio was 2.8:1; and shareholders' equity totaled $97,000,000 or $16.63 a share. Bell Industries Inc. distributes and manufactures products for the electronics, computer, building and other markets.

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#90298p9334 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEMPHIS, TENN. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Perkins Family Restaurants, L.P. (NYSE: PFR) today reported that net income for the third quarter of 1990 increased 10.1 percent to $5,051,000 or $.49 per unit, as compared with $4,587,000 or $.45 per unit for the third quarter last year. The results for the third quarters of both 1990 and 1989 reflect net gains from property transactions of approximately $500,000.

Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 increased 16.4 percent over the nine months ended September 30, 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $11,385,000 or $1.11 per unit, as compared with $9,778,000 or $.96 per unit for the comparable period last year.

Total revenues for the third quarter increased to $46,827,000 from $44,906,000 in the comparable period last year, a 4.3 percent increase. Total revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $132,796,000, a 5.4 percent increase over the $125,995,000 reported in the first nine months of 1989.

Same store sales for company-operated restaurants were up .8 percent for the third quarter and 3.4 percent for the first nine months of 1990.

"We achieved a net income margin of 10.8 percent during the third quarter of 1990, which is higher than the same quarter of the prior year. Management's

emphasis on cost controls helped us achieve this higher margin even though same store sales were up only .8 percent due to the uncertain economy and its adverse impact on consumer spending. We look forward to continued success in the fourth quarter, when at least 10 new franchised restaurants will open. The programs we have implemented and refined over the last three years will facilitate continued expansion of the Perkins system despite the general lack of consumer confidence in the months ahead," said Donald N. Smith, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

As of September 30, 1990, Perkins Family Restaurants, L.P. a Delaware limited partnership, owned and operated 114 Perkins Family Restaurants and franchised an additional 275 restaurants in 28 states and Canada.

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#90298p9339 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARIETTA, PA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Donegal Group Inc. (NASDAQ: DGIC) today reported operating results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company's strong earnings and favorable operating results continued with net income of $1,199,712, or 41 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, and $3,663,277, or $1.24 per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Book value per share increased to $9.10 as of Sept. 30, 1990. Prospects for a continuation of the company's favorable underwriting results were bolstered by approval of a rate increase in its Pennsylvania Private Passenger Automobile business. This increase, which amounted to a 9.3 percent overall rate adjustment, was granted under the Extraordinary Circumstances Relief Section of the new Pennsylvania Auto Law, which took effect July 1, 1990.

DONEGAL GROUP INC.
Selected Financial Information

Third quarter ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Premiums earned	$11,910,639	$11,434,119
Investment income, net of expense	1,483,092	1,311,138
Total revenues	13,575,509	12,842,628
Net income	$ 1,199,712	$ 1,357,814
Net income per share	$.41	$.46
Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Premiums earned	$34,597,589	$34,656,998
Investment income, net of expense	4,093,944	3,911,286
Total revenues	39,159,577	38,863,894
Net income	$ 3,663,277	$ 3,830,061
Net income per share	$1.24	$1.30

CONTACT: Ralph Spontak of Donegal Group, 717-426-1931

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NEWARK, N.J. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Environmental Services of America, Inc. (NASDAQ: ENSA) today announced record results for both the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales increased 74 percent to $2,944,605 compared with $1,693,353 during the third quarter of 1989. Income from operations, in the quarter, advanced to $381,811 from $97,871 for the comparable 1989 period, while net income rose to $268,800, or 4 cents per share, up from $52,732 in the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $645,818 on net sales of $9,316,098 compared to net income of $106,199 on net sales of $4,808,886 for the same 1989 period. These results represent a 508 percent increase in net income and a 94 percent increase in net sales over the prior period of 1989. Earnings per common share increased to 11 cents per share from 3 cents per share for the comparable period of 1989.

Jon Colin, president, noted, "The company continues to strengthen its internal business segments. The results of improved marketing integration between our operating subsidiaries has allowed the company to bid successfully for larger industrial remediation projects. As we approach year end, we continue to seek strategic acquisitions that will provide additional revenue and earnings growth."

Environmental Services of America, Inc. is a diversified environmental services firm specializing in the identification, management, remediation, preparation, transportation and disposal of hazardous waste and non-hazardous waste. Additionally, the company provides consulting services related to geological testing and underground storage tank compliance services for private and public entities. The company operates a TSD facility (treatment, storage and disposal) in New York State, which provides drum waste transfer and bulking services to clients in the mid-Atlantic and New England states.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES OF AMERICA, INC.
Consolidated Financial Summary

Selected Statements of Operations Data: (Unaudited)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1989	1990	1989	1990
Net sales	$1,693,353	$2,944,605	$4,808,886	$9,316,098
Gross profit on sales	718,785	1,148,192	2,077,239	3,732,001
Income from operations	97,871	381,811	225,445	1,243,966

Income before taxes	100,743	442,563	178,264	1,107,790
Net income	52,732	268,800	106,199	645,818
Earnings per common share	.01	.04	.03	.11
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,018,932	7,107,358	4,017,265	6,117,313

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets:

	12/31/89 (Audited)	9/30/90 (Unaudited)
Assets		
Cash and certificates of deposit	$ 740,446	$1,615,836
Accounts receivable & other current assets	1,693,461	2,214,683
Total current assets	2,433,907	3,830,519
Property, plant & equipment, net	1,409,453	1,464,387
Other assets, including intangibles	1,552,989	1,522,620
Total assets	5,396,349	6,817,526
Liabilities & stockholders' equity		
Current liabilities	$1,716,409	$2,088,770
Non-current liabilities	1,307,375	518,334
Stockholders' equity	2,372,565	4,210,422
Total liabilities & stockholders' equity	5,396,349	6,817,526

CONTACT: John E. Scott, chairman of Environmental Services of America, 201-589-3850

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ROCHESTER, NY (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (NYSE: RGS) (RG&E) today reported earnings for the three-, nine- and 12-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990. Earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 were 45 cents compared with 54 cents for the same period in 1989.

ROCHESTER GAS AND ELECTRIC CORPORATION
EARNINGS REPORT
FOR THE PERIODS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30

3 Months	1990	1989
Operating Revenues	$187,508,000	$183,209,000
Net Income	$ 15,593,000	$ 18,420,000
Earnings Applicable to Common Stock	$ 14,087,000	$ 16,914,000
Average Shares Outstanding	31,258,000	31,166,000
Earnings Per Share	$ .45	$ .54

9 Months	1990	1989
Operating Revenues	$610,531,000	$612,696,000
Net Income	$ 41,746,000	$ 49,817,000

Earnings Applicable to Common Stock	$ 37,227,000	$ 45,298,000
Average Shares Outstanding	31,258,000	31,039,000
Earnings Per Share	$ 1.19	1.45

12 Months	1990	1989
Operating Revenues	$843,532,000	$806,161,000
Net Income	$ 63,373,000	$ 60,394,000
Earnings Applicable to Common Stock	$ 57,348,000	$ 54,369,000
Average Shares Outstanding	31,253,000	30,968,000
Earnings Per Share	$ 1.83	$ 1.75

CONTACT: Mike Power of Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation, 716-724-8828.

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HANCOCK, MI (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - D&N Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: DNFC) today reported a net loss of $2.0 million, or $0.55 per share, for the third quarter of 1990. This compares to net income of $1.1 million, or $0.30 per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings for the current quarter were offset by the addition of $5.3 million to loan loss reserves, additions to reserves for the third quarter of 1989 were $309,000.

According to D&N Chairman and CEO Kenneth D. Seaton, "D&N remains a solid company with a positive outlook. We are profitable year to date, and we exceed all regulatory capital requirements. Additionally, steps have been taken which, though difficult in the short term, will benefit our stockholders in the long run. We recently announced a reduction of our dividend and cost reductions through decreases in our workforce, which represent aggressive strides the company is making in expense control and conservation of capital."

During the quarter, net interest income rose to $9.5 million, compared with $9.1 million for the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of the year, net interest income was $32.0 million, up 15.2 percent over the $27.8 million earned in the same period of 1989.

Core income (defined as net income, excluding net gains/losses on sale of loans and securities other than mortgage banking inventory) showed a $3.5 million loss for the quarter, compared to core income of $2.5 million reported for the 1989 third quarter. The additional loan loss reserves were largely responsible for the loss for the quarter; however, excluding additions to loan loss reserves, core income for the first nine months of the year was $9.9 million, up 67.8 percent over the $5.9 million reported for the year-ago first nine months.

Owing to a healthy consumer lending business and continued growth in deposit-related fees, non-interest income rose during the quarter, totaling $2.7 million, up 44 percent over the $1.9 million for the 1989 third quarter. For the first nine months of the year, non-interest income of $7.4 million represented a 26.1-percent increase over the $5.9 million reported for the same period in 1989.

With the economy slowing and demand softening, loan production held steady from the prior quarter at $99.9 million. This is down significantly from 1989's third-quarter production of $117.9 million, due primarily to the curtailment in 1990 of commercial real estate lending and indirect consumer lending.

"Aggressive expense control remains a priority," said Seaton, noting that the recently announced workforce reduction is projected to save $1.5 million annually. Year-to-date expenses increased by 3.5 percent compared with 1989 expenses, reflecting the continuing effect of the costs associated with the proxy contest earlier in the year.

In discussing this quarter's addition to loss reserves, Seaton acknowledged the trend across the country of banks making significant loss provision additions.

"In D&N's case, although no additional portfolio problems were identified during the quarter," said Seaton, "we undertook a thorough review of our loan portfolio at quarter end. We found our reserve levels adequate against our three-year loss history. However, with the strong possibility of a recession and its potential impact on the already weak commercial real estate market, we decided to move our general reserve levels higher."

Seaton noted that D&N will continue to take a conservative approach to reserve levels, adding, "With over 70 percent of our portfolio in low-risk residential real estate loans, our current reserve level of 1.38 percent of total loans puts us in a better position for the future."

Seaton noted that D&N's total assets declined to $1.9 billion from $2.1 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. "We have continued to shrink the balance sheet as we follow our stated plan to allow our mortgage derivative portfolio to run off," he stated. At quarter end, total deposits were $1.1 billion, down from $1.2 billion at Sept. 30, 1989.

In other news during the quarter, D&N Financial Corp.'s sole subsidiary changed its name from D&N Savings Bank, FSB to D&N Bank, a Federal Savings Bank. "This is one of several steps we are taking as we continue to aim toward a community banking business philosophy," said Seaton.

Subsequent to quarter-end, at the regular meeting of the board of directors on

Oct. 22, 1990, George J. Butvilas and Daniel P. Kearney were appointed to the board, each for terms expiring in 1993. These appointments represent an expansion of the board from 11 to 13 seats.

Butvilas, who is president of D&N Financial Corporation, joined D&N in June 1990. He formerly was executive vice president of Boulevard Bancorp, Inc., of Chicago, a $1.6 billion multi-bank holding company, as well as chairman and CEO of Citizens National Bank of Downers Grove, one of Boulevard Bancorp's four wholly owned community banks.

Kearney resides in Marblehead, Mass., and is a private consultant in the area of real estate and mortgage financing. He has served as president and CEO of the Resolution Trust Corporation Oversight Board, which formulates policy and reviews programs of the federal government's Resolution Trust Corporation. Prior to that, in addition to private law practice, Kearney was a principal at Aldrich, Eastman & Waltch, Inc. of Boston, where he specialized in mortgage financing, was a managing director at Salomon Brothers, Inc., in New York, and has served as president of the Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae).

Commenting on the two appointments, Seaton said, "These two individuals offer extremely valuable contributions to D&N's board. Mr. Butvilas' 16 years of community and commercial banking experience add a very timely strategic perspective as differences rapidly disappear between the thrift and commercial banking industries. Mr. Kearney brings unique insights to the capital markets and government policy making and regulation that can directly aid the company to reach its long-term strategic objectives."

D&N Financial Corp., through its subsidiary, D&N Bank, FSB, has financial services offices throughout Michigan's Upper Peninsula and mid-Michigan, as well as mortgage banking operations in Arizona, Illinois, Michigan, North Carolina and Texas. D&N is the fourth-largest thrift institution in Michigan based on asset size. D&N Financial Corp.'s stock is traded over the counter and is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol DNFC.

D&N FINANCIAL CORPORATION
Operating Highlights
(000's omitted except per share)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net income (loss)	($2,034)	$1,067	$800	$2,290
Net income (loss) per share	(.55)	.30	.21	.63

Balance Sheet Highlights
(000's omitted except per share)

	As of 9/30/90	As of 12/31/89
Total assets	$1,919,255	$2,047,040
Loans receivable	1,248,778	1,337,044
Mortgage-backed certificates	258,301	161,969

Mortgage derivative products	191,328	202,313
Deposits	1,130,122	1,167,718
Stockholders' equity	105,090	105,656
Book value per share	28.35	28.69

Regulatory Capital Ratios

	As of 9/30/90
Tangible capital (required 1.50 percent)	2.80 percent
Core capital (required 3 percent)	4.30 percent
Risk-based capital (required 6.40 percent)	7.28 percent

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - CalMat Co. (NYSE: CZM) today reported earnings for the third quarter of 1990 of $58,305,000 or $1.96 per share on revenues of $113,715,000, compared with 1989's third quarter earnings of $16,535,000 or $0.53 per share on revenues of $129,031,000. Figures for both the third quarter of 1990 and the first nine months of 1990 include a gain of $47,310,000 or $1.59 per share, from the recently announced disposition of California Portland Cement Co. (CPC).

The stock of CPC, which was a wholly-owned subsidiary of CalMat, was exchanged for 5,834,070 shares of CalMat stock held by Onoda California Inc. These shares were subsequently retired, and earnings per share in subsequent periods will reflect the lower number of outstanding shares. Earnings for the nine-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990 were $80,505,000 or $2.69 per share, compared with earnings of $46,866,000 or $1.51 per share, for the comparable 1989 period. Revenues for the nine-month period were $318,889,000 in 1990, versus $351,451,000 in 1989. Revenue amounts exclude CPC revenues. Income from operations of CPC, less applicable income taxes, and the non-taxable gain from the disposition of CPC, are included in net income as discontinued operations.

The company classifies its property sales as those in connection with ongoing operations and those of assets held for sale as a result of the company's previously announced program to dispose of its developed and developable properties. After-tax gains from ongoing property sales in the company's properties division were $116,000 or less than $0.01 per share in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $3,023,000 or $0.10 per share in the third quarter of 1989. Gains were $664,000 or $0.02 per share for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $8,075,000 or $0.26 per share for the comparable 1989 period.

Operating results of, and gains from disposition of, assets held for sale included in net earnings were as follows: $1,942,000 or $0.07 per share in the

third quarter of 1990, compared with a loss of $204,000 or ($0.01) per share in the third quarter of 1989; and $9,715,000 or $0.32 per share for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $3,009,000 or $0.10 per share for the comparable 1989 period.

The transaction with Onoda California Inc., effective Sept. 30, 1990, completes the company's exit from a lower-margin, capital-intensive cement industry and reduces its ready-mixed concrete operations. The company plans to concentrate on its core businesses of construction aggregates and asphalt by internal growth and through acquisition.

CONTACT: Ron Hadfield of CalMat Co., 213-258-2777.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - National Intergroup Inc. (NYSE: NII) announced today that a preliminary count indicates that the holders of a sufficient number of preference units of Permian Partners, L.P., have consented to the previously described amendment to the Permian Partnership Agreement to allow its adoption.

Assuming that the final tally confirms this count, and assuming all other conditions to NII's pending tender offer for Permian preference units are met when the tender offer expires (currently scheduled for 5 p.m., New York City time on Oct. 26, 1990), NII intends to purchase in the tender offer all preference units validly tendered pursuant thereto.

Since the results of the consent solicitation are not yet final, unitholders are encouraged to continue to deliver consents.

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FAIRFIELD, NJ (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Ogden Projects, Inc. (NYSE: OPI), the leading developer of waste-to-energy facilities in the United States, today reported a sharp increase in net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, to $11.2 million from $6.6 million for the same period last year. For the nine months, net income climbed 45 percent to $27.1 million from $18.7 million in the prior year.

Earnings per share jumped 67 percent year-over-year to $.30 from $.18 for the quarter, and rose 44 percent year-over-year to $.75 from $.52 for the nine-month period.

R. Richard Ablon, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated

that "earnings per share for the nine-month period exceed the $.74 per share earned for all of 1989, and we are proud of the continued growth and performance demonstrated by that accomplishment."

Income before taxes increased year-over-year to $14.2 million from $8.1 million for the quarter, and to $33.4 million from $22.6 million for the nine-month period.

OPI designs, builds and operates waste-to-energy facilities for municipalities under long-term contracts through its subsidiary, Ogden Martin Systems, Inc. OPI currently operates 15 such facilities, is constructing four and has been awarded seven more. OPI is 85.6 percent owned by Ogden Corporation.

Headquartered in New York, Ogden Corporation (NYSE: OG) is a diversified services company which also has major subsidiaries engaged in the provision of energy and environmental consulting and provides a wide range of services to the federal government. In other service activities, Ogden Entertainment Services is a leader in the management of sports and entertainment centers and the promotion of live entertainment events, and Ogden's Aviation Services division is a leading international provider of support services to the airline industry.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Wesley J. Laseski, chairman, president and CEO of Spearhead Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: SPRH) indicated at the company's annual meeting yesterday that the company anticipates a profitable year, following two years of losses. He said that the company is gaining market share in its Halloween and Easter product lines, and that the Lite-Stik family of products is bolstering revenues on a year-round basis. He also said that Spearhead, Ltd., a 45 percent- owned subsidiary in the U.K., is expected to make a profit contribution this year.

Spearhead Industries, Inc. designs and markets seasonal and year- round consumer toy products through mass merchandise distributors. The company's line includes items for Halloween, Easter and the snow season, as well as a line of toys sold throughout the year.

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RALEIGH, NC (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Stanley E. Wright, President of RS

Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: RFBK), announced today that the Board of Directors has approved the repurchase by RS Financial Corp. of up to ten percent of its outstanding common stock over a period of 24 months. Repurchases will be effected if and when Management deems prudent.

RS Financial Corp., a holding company organized in March, 1989, with 3,277,500 outstanding shares, has one wholly owned subsidiary, Raleigh Federal Savings Bank. RS Financial Corp.'s common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol RFBK.

CONTACT: Stanley E. Wright, President, RS Financial Corp., 919-833-7511

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Jack Clark, chairman of the board of Stage II Apparel Corp. (AMEX: SA), announced in a written statement that the corporation's board of directors had authorized the company to buy up to 50,000 shares of its common stock, or about 1 percent of its total outstanding shares in the open market from time to time.

This new authorization to repurchase 50,000 shares is in addition to previous share repurchase authorizations of 50,000 shares, 100,000 shares, and 100,000 shares voted by the board on Dec. 10, 1987, March 14, 1990 and Aug. 14, 1990, respectively. Pursuant to these authorizations, the corporation to date has repurchased a total of approximately 224,000 shares.

The company had 4,079,625 of its shares outstanding as of Oct. 16, 1990.

CONTACT: Alan Steinberg of Stage II Apparel, 212-564-5865

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Greater New York Savings Bank (NASDAQ: GRTR) announced today that its board of directors voted a dividend of 12 cents per common share. It is the 12th consecutive quarterly dividend since the bank converted from mutual to stock ownership on June 24, 1987. The dividend is payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 13, 1990.

The Greater New York Savings Bank is an FDIC insured, New York chartered stock savings bank with assets of $3.1 billion, deposits of $2.2 billion and total stockholders' equity of $211 million at Sept. 30, 1990. Nine of its 14 banking offices are located in Brooklyn, where The Greater was originally chartered in 1897, and its five other offices are located in Manhattan, Queens Nassau and Suffolk.

CONTACT: Philip A. Cimino of The Greater, 212-613-4063

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POMPANO BEACH, FLA. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has ordered the sale, by auction, of over 50 properties throughout the state of Florida. These properties, with appraised value in excess of $14 million include homes, condominiums, commercial buildings, a horse farm, office buildings, warehouse, waterfront lots, development sites and more. These properties represent one of the largest FDIC auctions ever conducted in the Southeastern United States.

Fisher Auction Company, a national auction firm headquartered in Pompano Beach Fla., was the company selected by the FDIC. The auctions will be held on Nov. 13, 14 and 15 in Fort Lauderdale, Jacksonville, and Tampa, Fla., respectively.

Louis Fisher, executive vice president of Fisher Auction Company said, "The Auction-Marketing Method of turning properties into cash, was primarily selected by the FDIC because an auction can rapidly and effectively determine a property's true market value, and produce qualified investor-buyers for a prompt, competitive sale and closing."

Inspection dates for each property will be set up well in advance of the auction so that interested purchasers can preview the properties of their choice prior to the auction. Also, bidders seminars will be conducted in each of the three metropolitan areas for first-time auction buyers.

CONTACT: Louis Fisher of Fisher Auction Co., Inc., 305-781-FDIC

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EDEN PRAIRIE (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Roe H. Hatlen, chairman, president and CEO of Buffets, Inc. (NASDAQ: BOCB), reported third quarter earnings increased 25 percent to $2,010,000 on a sales increase of 21 percent to $34,515,000. Earnings per share increased 24 percent to $.21 per share on 9,602,000 shares, compared to $.17 per share on 9,548,000 shares in 1989.

For the forty weeks ended Oct. 10, 1990, net earnings increased 43 percent to $6,496,000 and earnings per share increased 42 percent to $.68 per share. Restaurant sales for the forty week period increased to $109,262,000 from $85,506,000 in 1989.

The company opened five restaurants during the quarter and expects six company-owned restaurants and one franchised restaurant to open during the remainder of 1990. Currently, Buffets, Inc. operates 78 Old Country Buffet restaurants in 12 states and franchises nine restaurants in four states.

The company also announced that Mr. Scott, a co-founder of the company, recently resigned from the board of directors of the company and is pursuing other interests. Mr. Scott will be replaced on the board by D.M. Winton, and experienced food industry investor from Minneapolis who has been a significant shareholder of the company since it was founded.

The company also stated that its previously announced intent to develop Old Country Buffet restaurants in Texas with Mr. Scott has been terminated. The company will be developing Texas as a company-owned market.

BUFFETS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Unaudited)

	Twelve Weeks Ended		
	10/10/90	10/4/89	Percent Increase
Third quarter:			
Restaurant sales	$34,515,000	$28,617,000	21
Earnings before income taxes	3,255,000	2,469,000	32
Net earnings	2,010,000	1,604,000	25
Earnings per common and common equivalent share	$.21	$.17	24
Weighted average shares	9,602,000	9,548,000	

	Forty Weeks Ended		
	10/10/90	10/4/89	Percent Increase
Year:			
Restaurant sales	$109,262,000	$85,506,000	28
Earnings before income taxes	10,673,000	7,297,000	46
Net earnings	6,496,000	4,547,000	43
Earnings per common and common equivalent share	$.68	$.48	42
Weighted average shares	9,605,000	9,500,000	

CONTACT: Roe H. Hatlen, of Buffets, 612-942-9760

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - American Savings Bank (NYSE: ASB) today announced a net loss of $6.4 million, or $1.29 per share, for the third quarter of 1990. For the same three months of 1989, the bank reported a net loss of $10.3 million, or $1.93 per share. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, American had a net loss of $55.8 million, or $9.96 per share. The bank

reported net income of $3.6 million for the first nine months of 1989, resulting in a net loss after payment of preferred stock dividends of $0.04 per share.

The 1990 third quarter results reflected a decrease in net interest income and other income, as well as a previously announced loss on the disposition of a non-performing construction loan. These factors were partly offset by a decrease in the level of American's quarterly provision for loan and asset losses and lower operating expenses. The principal factor affecting the bank's results for the first nine months of 1990 was a sizable provision for loan and asset losses in the second quarter of this year.

The bank's ratio of total regulatory capital to average assets was 6.03 percent at Sept. 30, 1990 as compared with the current FDIC total capital requirement of 6 percent. American's total risk-based capital ratio was 7.81 percent at the end of the 1990 third quarter, and was in excess of the 7.25 percent FDIC requirement. Regulatory capital at Sept. 30, 1990 was reduced by the operating loss for the third quarter and by the reclassification or previously established reserves from "general" to "specific". These reductions were partially offset by lower overall asset levels. The reserve reclassification was a result of the foreclosure action commenced in the third quarter on the Yonkers construction loan. Total stockholders' equity was $117.8 million at the end of the latest quarter.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $4.09 billion, a decrease of $336.6 million during the past nine months. This was the result of an ongoing management effort to reduce asset levels in order to enhance the capital ratio. American had $3.51 billion in loans and mortgage-backed securities and $3.15 billion in deposits at the end of the 1990 third quarter.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Dow B. Hickam, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: DBHI), today reported third quarter 1990 net income of $83,000, or four cents per common share, on sales of $3,336,000 for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990. For the same quarter in 1989, the company had reported net earnings of $203,000, equal to nine cents per share, on sales of $2,970,000.

Net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $306,000, or 14 cents per share, on sales of $9,695,000. For the first nine months of 1989, net earnings were $614,000, or 28 cents per share, on sales of $8,554,000.

"The company's new product line, Sorbsan(R), a specialty wound care product, continues to grow rapidly and exceeds company expectations," according to Dow

B. Hickam, president and chief executive officer. He further explained that "the lower than expected third quarter profitability reflected reduced sales of our Granulex(R) product line."

Hickam emphasized that the company continues its active search for additional products like Sorbsan, that will upgrade the product line and strengthen the company's earnings potential.

Dow B. Hickam, Inc., is a manufacturer and nationwide marketer of health care and pharmaceutical products.

DOW B. HICKAM, INC., AND SUBSIDIARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Unaudited, in thousands except for shares and per share amounts)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$3,336,000	$2,970,000	$9,695,000	$8,554,000
Net income available to common shareholders	$ 83,000	$ 203,000	$ 306,000	$ 614,000
Net income per share	$.04	$.09	$.14	$.28
Wtd. avg. shares outstdg.	2,223,000	2,215,000	2,223,000	2,215,000

CONTACT: David M. Satter, chief financial officer of Dow B. Hickam, Inc., (713) 240-1000; or J. Roger Beidler of G. A. Kraut Company, (212) 696-5600, for Dow B. Hickam, Inc.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Texaco Inc.'s (NYSE: TX) board of directors today declared a quarterly dividend of $.80 per common share, an increase of $.05 per share over the previous payment level. The dividend will be paid Dec. 10, 1990, to holders of record as of Nov. 9, 1990.

Texaco President and Chief Executive Officer James W. Kinnear called the dividend increase "a further confirmation of the progress of Texaco in achieving our business plans. Texaco's strong asset base is now generating the necessary earnings and cash flow from operations to maintain a growing capital investment level and to provide our shareholders with an increased dividend return."

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ATLANTA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Contel Cellular Inc. (NASDAQ: CCXLA) today reported strong revenue and subscriber growth for the third 1990 quarter and year to date.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, revenues increased to $46.5 million, compared with $18.2 million reported in the prior year quarter. Third quarter 1990 service revenues, which exclude equipment sales, were $40.3 million, substantially higher than the $16.3 million reported in the prior year period.

Normalized subscriber growth in company-controlled markets, which excludes subscribers gained through the February 1990 acquisition of 13 southeastern cellular properties, increased 55 percent for the 12-month period ended Sept. 30, and at an annualized rate of 45 percent for the third 1990 quarter. At Sept. 30, total subscribers were 215,000, including Contel Cellular's proportional share of subscribers in noncontrolled markets, and subscribers in company-controlled markts totaled 133,000.

Contel Cellular continued to report higher than industry average revenues per subscriber, with third quarter 1990 monthly revenues per subscriber averaging $107, compared with $112 in the second 1990 quarter.

As expected, the company posted a net loss of $29.7 million, or $.30 per share for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $.9 million in net income, or $.01 per share, in the year earlier period. The net loss resulted primarily from $32.4 million in third quarter 1990 financing costs and amortization of goodwill related to the southeastern properties acquisition.

The company's operating cash flow (operating income before depreciation and amortization) was $4.2 million for the third quarter of 1990, an increase of $4.4 million from the corresponding period of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, Contel Cellular reported revenues of $115.5 million, compared with $46.1 million for the corresponding 1989 period. Service revenues were $100.4 million, compared with $40.6 million for the first nine months of 1989. The company reported a net loss of $71.5 million, or $.72 per share, for the nine month 1990 period, compared with net income of $2.5 million, or $.03 per share, for the same 1989 period.

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DALLAS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Intellicall, Inc. (NYSE: ICL) today reported that net income for the third quarter of 1990 increased approximately 82 percent compared with the third quarter of 1989, on the strength of an increase in sales and revenues of $28,617,000.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Intellicall earned $2,018,000 on sales and revenues of $57,216,000, or $.29 per share on 6,913,000 average

shares outstanding. For the same period in 1989, the company reported earnings of $1,111,000 on sales and revenues of $28,599,000, or $.21 per share on 5,281,000 average shares outstanding.

For the first nine months of 1990, Intellicall's net income totaled $5,541,000 or $.79 per share on 6,973,000 average shares outstanding, representing an increase of approximately 102 percent from net income of $2,747,000, or $.52 per share on 5,237,000 average shares outstanding, for the comparable period in 1989. Sales and revenues for the current nine-month period totaled $149,169,000, compared with sales and revenues of $66,144,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

During the third quarter, Intellicall continued to ship its proprietary Intelli(asterisk)Star circuit boards for placement in new and existing private pay telephones owned by the company's customers. Intelli(asterisk)Star installations automate many types of services for pay telephones and provide an ongoing source of revenue for the company. Call revenues generated by Intelli(asterisk)Star continued to increase during the third quarter -- from approximately $34 million in second- quarter 1990 to approximately $41 million in the current quarter -- indicating continued strong acceptance for this patented technology.

Polley said the company has now sold more than 200 systems to be installed in hotels and resorts throughout the United States, including the Hotel Crescent Court in Dallas, Parc-55 in San Francisco, and select Embassy Suites hotels.

Intellicall, Inc. is a diversified telecommunications company providing innovative technology and services to private pay telephone networks throughout the United States. The nation's largest manufacturer of privately owned pay telephones and automated pay telephone systems, Intellicall provides communications products and services through its customers nationwide at locations such as Los Angeles International Airport, Walt Disney World, Marriott hotels and Embassy Suites hotels. Company stock is listed in alphabetical quotations as "Intellicall" or "Intelcal."

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WATERTOWN, MASS. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Ionics, Incorporated (NYSE: ION) announced today that it has listed its securities on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE). The company's common stock, which was previously traded on the American Stock Exchange under the trading symbol "ION", will now be traded beginning today, on the NYSE under the same trading symbol.

"We are pleased to become a New York Stock Exchange listed company," said Arthur L. Goldstein, chairman and chief executive officer of Ionics. "As a leading international company in the field of water purification, we believe that listing on the Exchange will benefit Ionics and its shareholders in several ways, including a broader public market for our shares and increased visibility to investors, not just in this country but also overseas."

Ionics is a separations technology company involved worldwide in the manufacture and sale of membranes and related equipment for the purification of water, in the supply of purified water and water treatment chemicals, and in the sale of bottled water and home water purifiers. Revenues in 1989 were $109 million.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Tenneco Inc. (NYSE: TGT) today reported third quarter net income of $91 million or 70 cents per common share compared with $90 million or 68 cents per common share for the third quarter of 1989.

Operating income (pre-interest and pre-tax) was $261 million for the quarter compared with $253 million for the same period of 1989. Revenues for the third quarter were $3.4 billion, compared with $3.2 billion in the 1989 third quarter.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $431 million or $3.34 per common share compared with $379 million or $2.88 per share for the same period in 1989. Operating income totaled $1.02 billion compared with $896 million for the first nine months of 1989. Revenues were $10.6 billion compared with $10.2 billion in the same period of 1989.

"The uncertain business environment overall, and deterioration in some of the industries in which we do business, has begun to impact our financial performance and is likely to continue impacting our businesses during the balance of 1990. In the third quarter, this affected our farm and construction equipment and chemical businesses," said James L. Ketelsen, Tenneco's chairman and chief executive officer.

"As a result, it now appears that our earnings in the fourth quarter will not match the strong earnings we posted in the fourth quarter of 1989. However, based on year-to-date results, our earnings for the total year should well exceed those of 1989."

Operating income for Tenneco Gas totaled $54 million during the third quarter compared with $56 million for the same period in 1989. Jurisdictional transportation volumes rose 17 percent due to continued efforts to capture

additional markets and to the initiation of open access transportation on the company's Midwestern Gas Transmission system.

However, the rise in volume, improvements in natural gas liquids and a decrease in operating expenses were more than offset by lower margins resulting from mandated rate decreases.

Third quarter operating income for J. I. Case was $26 million for 1990, a $6 million improvement over 1989. Benefits from higher sales volumes and plant shutdowns rescheduled from the third quarter to the second quarter of 1990 were partially offset by higher operating costs, new product development costs and unfavorable foreign exchange rates.

Tenneco Inc. is a Houston-based, diversified industrial corporation with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, automotive parts, shipbuilding, packaging, chemicals, and minerals.

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WATERTOWN, MASS. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Ionics, Incorporated (NYSE: ION) today reported results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the quarter, the company reported net income of $1.26 million, or 29 cents per share, up 35.3 percent compared to net income of $932,000 or 22 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989. Revenues for the quarter were $30.3 million, up 10.8 percent compared to $27.3 million one year earlier. For the nine-month period, net income of $3.3 million, or 78 cents per share, was up 33.0 percent compared to $2.5 million, or 60 cents per share, one year earlier and revenues of $91.8 million were up 16.4 percent. Backlog on Sept. 30th was $66.2 million, up 50.6 percent from that one year earlier.

Commenting on the company's performance, Arthur L. Goldstein, Ionics' chairman and chief executive officer, noted that the third quarter of 1990 represented the 13th consecutive quarter of improving revenues, net income and earnings per share performance compared to the same quarter in the prior year. Revenues, net income and earnings per share for the nine-month period also represented new records for the company. He also noted that the Sept. 30 backlog did not reflect any amount for the water supply contract signed in September with the city of Santa Barabara, Calif. Depending on the capacity of the facility, which will be selected by the city prior to June 30, 1991, the revenues from the Santa Barbara contract are expected to range from $25 million to $100 million over a five-year period.

Ionics is a separations technology company involved worldwide in the manufacture and sale of membranes and related equipment for the purification of water, in the supply of purified water and water treatment chemicals, and

in the sale of bottled water and home water purifiers.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) announced today that rates for its 344,000 suburban gas customers will be reduced effective Dec. 1, 1990, primarily resulting from a revision to its gas cost rate approved by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

The annual bill for an average home heating customer will decrease 6.1 percent from $889 to $835.

Kenneth G. Lawrence, vice president for Gas Operations said "At a time when the cost of many other energy products is increasing, we are pleased that our gas customers will enjoy lower rates for the 12-month period beginning Dec. 1. The reduction is due to stable natural gas prices and to a longer term outlook for a stable natural gas market."

The rate reduction further increases the advantage now being experienced by PE home heating customers compared to those heating with oil. The price of PE natural gas used for home heating on Dec. 1 will be $6.48 per thousand cubic feet, which equates to about 87 cents per gallon for home heating oil. According to the Pennsylvania Energy Office, home heating oil as of Oct. 1 was selling for $1.24 per gallon. At those prices, oil customers are spending 42 percent more for home heating than PE natural gas customers.

According to Lawrence, "This favorable price advantage is translating into significant interest in natural gas by home owners now using oil."

PE said that as a result of the Middle East Crisis, the response this fall by the public to a gas conversion marketing campaign is double the response of previous years.

"Our current efforts are to respond quickly to all customers seeking additional information and to schedule those customers choosing to convert and to complete the conversion as expeditiously as possible," Lawrence said.

PE converted more than 2,300 customers to natural gas in 1989 and will exceed that total by at least 30 percent in 1990.

PE supplies gas to customers in Bucks, Chester, Delaware and Montgomery counties.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Multi-Color Corporation (NASDAQ: LABL) today announced results for its second quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 increased 12.7 percent to $17,467,000 from $15,495,000. Net income for the period was $14,000, a decline from the $489,000 reported in the prior year period. Earnings per share declined to $.01 per share from $.22 per share in the prior year period.

For the first half of fiscal 1991, sales increased by 1.4 percent to $31,487,000, up from $31,058,000 in the first half of the prior fiscal year. Multi-Color reported a loss of $691,000 or $.31 per share for the period compared to net income of $948,000 or $.43 per share for the prior year period.

John C. Court, president of Multi-Color, commented, "The decline in earnings in the second quarter resulted from the continued costs of the two new plant startups. Operating efficiencies have improved at both locations and we continue to expect them to make a contribution to profit this fiscal year."

Multi-Color Coporation is one of the largest manufacturers of printed labels for branded consumer products in the United States. The company's shares are traded over the counter under the National Market Systems symbol LABL.

MULTI-COLOR CORPORATION
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended (Thousands except per share amounts)	
	9/30/90	10/01/89
Net Sales	$17,467	$15,495
Net Income	14	489
Net Income Per Share	.01	.22
Average Shares	2,217,000	2,237,000

	Six Months Ended (Thousands except per share amounts)	
	9/30/90	10/01/89
Net Sales	$31,487	$31,058
Net Income	(691)	948
Net Income Per Share	(.31)	.43
Average Shares	2,226,000	2,223,000

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Sprague Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: SPG) today reported net income for the third quarter of 1990 of $0.8 million, or $0.04 per share, compared to breakeven, or $0.00 per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

Operating income from continuing operations was $3.2 million, vs. last year's $3.7 million which included a pension plan curtailment gain of $1 million. Net sales for the period were $78.4 million, vs. $76.9 million for the similar quarter in 1989.

Sprague reported net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $4.2 million, or $0.23 per share, compared to a net loss of $45.3 million, or $2.49 per share, for the comparable period in 1989. Operating income from continuing operations was $11.2 million vs. an operating loss of $34.3 million in 1989.

The operating loss for 1989 included a $39.2 million provision for restructuring. Net sales were $247.8 million for the nine-month period of 1990 compared to $272.9 million in 1989. Net sales on a comparable year-to-year basis were five percent higher.

Included in the nine months of 1989 are revenues and operating losses of $25.4 million and $4.5 million, respectively, for the company's Fil-Mag and ceramic capacitor operations which were transferred to businesses held for sale as of June 30, 1989.

Edward F. Kosnik, president and chief executive officer, commented, "Third-quarter results reflect a moderate improvement in operations. Earnings for the quarter reflect the impact of seasonal factors as well as weak economic conditions."

Sprague Technologies, Inc. is a worldwide manufacturer of capacitors and other electronic components.

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BOSTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Boston Edison Company (NYSE: BSE) today reported earnings (loss) per common share for the three, nine and 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Earnings (loss) per share for the three months ended were $1.35 compared to $1.42 last year; for the nine months ended were $1.87 vs. $1.54; and for the trailing 12 months earnings (loss) were 52 cents vs. $1.86 for the same period last year. The results of operation for the three, nine and 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989 include a gain of 14 cents per share from an eminent domain taking of certain company property. Results for the nine and 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990 includes 41 cents per common share due

to the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle to begin recording unbilled revenues, effective Jan. 1, 1990. This accounting change provides a better matching of revenues and expenses by recording an estimate of customer usage which is unbilled at the end of each month. Results for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, also included an after-tax charge of $106,280,000 relating to provisions for Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station litigation and rate proceedings recorded in the fourth quarter of 1989.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal Communications Commmission has granted BellSouth Enterprises an experimental radio service license to conduct the two-phase Personal Communications Network trial which was announced on July 24, 1990. The license became effective on Oct. 19, 1990 and is active through Dec. 31, 1991.

BellSouth Enterprises will immediately begin to evaluate radio wave propagation and building penetration in three frequency ranges: 866-869 MHz, 902-928 MHz and 1850-1990 MHz.

In the second phase of the trial, an operating testbed system will be constructed in the Midtown section of Atlanta. This part of the study will focus on the way that potential business customers would use a PCN system. It will include up to 12 base stations and as many as 300 handsets.

"We are pleased that our license has been awarded, and we are beginning the first phase of this trial immediately," said Eric Ensor, assistant vice president for Worldwide Wireless Strategy Development. "BellSouth believes that this trial will provide significant information on how Personal Communications Services address a customer's needs and how they change the communications patterns of our customers. This kind of information is essential in formulating our approach to the future of wireless communications."

BellSouth Enterprises is a wholly owned subsidiary of BellSouth Corporation, which is an Atlanta-based international telecommunications holding company. BellSouth's subsidiaries offer local telephone service in nine Southeastern states and mobile communications service worldwide, provide advertising and publishing services, and market and maintain stand-alone and fully integrated communications systems.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Norwest Corporation (NYSE-NOB) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 23 cents per share, a 12.2 percent increase over the previous quarterly dividend. The dividend is payable Dec. 1, 1990 to common stockholders of record Nov. 9, 1990. There are approximately 101.5 million common shares outstanding.

Norwest Corporation is a $26.7 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking-related and specialized financial services through more than 1,290 offices in 47 states and internationally.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - United Capital Corp (AMEX: ICU) today reported results for the third quarter of 1990. Total revenue for the quarter was $15,591,000 vs. $14,733,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter was $768,000 or $.07 per share as compared to $1,121,000 or $.10 per share for the corresponding period in 1989. Year-to-date loss was $4,505,000 or $.42 per share on $49,775,000 of revenues vs. earnings of $2,613,000 or $.24 per share on $38,390,000 of revenues during the comparable 1989 period.

In commenting on the results, A.F. Petrocelli, chairman of United Capital Corp., noted quarterly revenues continue to reflect the strong operating performance of the Metex operating companies. Income from operations for the third quarter exceeds that of the comparable 1989 period while a decrease in the valuation allowance of marketable securities recorded in 1989 accounts for the overall decrease in quarterly earnings.

The 1990 year-to-date loss reflects the first quarter write-down of the company's investment in General Development Corporation, which filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in April of this year. Increases in year-to-date revenues are principally due to the inclusion of the results of Metex Corporation, acquired in March 1989, for a full nine months in 1990.

In addition to the Metex business which provides engineered products to aviation, industrial and automotive markets worldwide, United Capital Corp. owns and manages real estate assets.

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MEDIA, PA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - VWR Corp. (NASDAQ: VWRX) today reported that income from operations for the third quarter was $4,842,000 up 33 percent over the last year.

Sales of $112,316,000 for the quarter increased 21 percent, a record for the company. Net income from continuing operations of $2,020,000 (38 cents per share) represented an improvement of 35 percent over third quarter 1989 results.

For the nine-month period, income from operations rose 17 percent, sales were up 20 percent, and net income from continuing operations increased 10 percent, compared to the same period in 1989. Earnings per share from continuing operations for the nine months were $1.05, compared to 94 cents for the same period in 1989.

The company noted that the record sales gain for the third quarter was a result of growth in VWR's core scientific business and positive effects from the acquisitions of Sargent-Welch Scientific Co. and Oxford Scientific Laboratories of London, Ontario, Canada. The companies were acquired, respectively, in September 1989 and April 1990.

"All segments of the company showed solid sales gains," said Jerrold B. Harris president and chief executive officer of VWR Corp. "Our core scientific business had a strong third quarter with improvements in both market share and selling margins. Order rates for Sargent-Welch science/education products have substantially improved. This business is now meeting our goal of regaining its market position as a result of positive reaction by our high school through junior college customers to significant improvements we have made in service."

Harris also noted that VWR had announced the implementation of an ESOP (Employee Stock Ownership Plan) during the quarter. "The plan, which will eventually provide for up to 6 percent employee ownership, supports our company's commitment to strong employee involvement," Harris said. "We also believe it will have a positive impact on long- term shareholder value."

Looking to the future, Harris said that the company had not experienced any downturns as a result of the current economic uncertainty. "While remaining cautious, we are proceeding with planned investments and commitments which will provide long-term benefits for VWR Corp."

VWR Corp., headquartered in Media, is the nation's second largest distributor of laboratory supplies and equipment, with annual sales in excess of $400 million.

VWR CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Operations

(Unaudited; in thousands, except for per-share data)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$112,316	$92,728	$324,042	$270,664
Cost of sales	85,198	71,763	247,815	209,500
Gross margin	27,118	20,965	76,227	61,164
Operating expenses	22,276	17,336	62,835	49,740
Income from operations	4,842	3,629	13,392	11,424
IInterest expense	(1,474)	(918)	(4,084)	(2,483)
Other expense-net	--	--	(62)	(22)
Income from operations before income taxes	3,368	2,711	9,246	8,919
Income taxes	1,348	1,212	3,688	3,879
Income from continuing operations	2,020	1,499	5,558	5,040
Loss of companies distributed	--	(814)	(269)	(1,085)
Net income	2,020	685	5,289	3,955
Earnings (loss) per share:				
Continuing operations	$.38	$.28	$1.05	$.94
Companies distributed	--	(.15)	(.05)	(.20)
Total	.38	.13	1.00	.74
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	5,322	5,266	5,270	5,357

VWR. CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Percentage Changes Compared With Similar Period of the Prior Year

Periods ended Sept. 30, 1990	Three months	Nine months
Sales	21	20
Gross margin dollars	29	25
Operating expenses	28	26
Income from operations	33	17
Net income from continuing operations	35	10

VWR CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Thousands of dollars)

	Sept. 30, 1990 (Unaudited)	Dec. 31, 1989
Assets:		
Receivables	$65,004	$54,599
Inventories	35,666	36,498
Other	4,484	5,585
Total current assets	105,154	96,682
Property and equipment-net	32,783	31,345
Net assets of companies distributed	--	30,000
Other assets	3,912	4,387

Total	141,849	162,414
Liabilities and shareholders' equity: Bank checks outstanding less cash in bank	$5,575	$8,322
Current portion of long-term debt	404	370
Accounts payable and other	34,000	33,352
Total current liabilities	39,979	42,044
Long-term debt	62,505	55,612
Deferred income taxes and other	5,811	4,841
Shareholders' equity	33,554	59,917
Total	141,849	162,414

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DEERFIELD, IL (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Premark International, Inc. (NYSE: PMI) reported today that third quarter 1990 net income declined 69 percent to $4.2 million, or 14 cents per share, from $13.5 million, or 38 cents per share in the prior year period. Sales increased about 12 percent to $669 million.

Included in third quarter results is a previously announced $11.9 million pretax charge resulting from settlement of lawsuits associated with food equipment patents. Excluding that charge, net income would have been $11.6 million, or 38 cents per share. Net income before the charge declined due to higher interest expense, which more than offset a modest increase in segment profit from the June 1990 acquisition of Sikes Corp. and favorable foreign exchange rates. Earnings per share before the charge were flat due to the impact of a share repurchase program completed earlier this year.

Tupperware profit in the third quarter was even with the prior year period despite a $2.5 million gain reported last year from the sale of real estate. Strength in Latin American operations more than offset continued declines in the United States and Japan. Excluding the charge, Food Equipment Group profit increased on a modest rise in sales. The results primarily reflect improvement in U.S. operations and favorable foreign exchange rate comparisons. In the Consumer and Decorative Products Segment, the acquisition of Sikes Corp. and continued strength at Precor more than offset lower results at Tibbals, West Bend and Ralph Wilson Plastics, all of which have been negatively affected by poor market conditions.

"Results reflect the tough market conditions we face in our food equipment and decorative products businesses, as well as the continued difficulties in our U.S. and Japanese Tupperware businesses," said Warren L. Batts, chairman and chief executive officer. "While we believe that our strategies to improve each of our businesses are on the right track, it is difficult to predict the timing of significant improvement because of the uncertainties facing the U.S.

economy."

For the first nine months of 1990, Premark reported net income of $24.2 million, or 75 cents per share, compared with $59.6 million, or $1.70 per share in 1989. Results in 1990 include a second-quarter pretax charge of $25.3 million related to restructuring at Tupperware and the $11.9 million third-quarter charge concerning settlement of lawsuits. Excluding those charges, net income would have declined 20 percent to $47.5 million, or $1.47 per share, due to lower segment profit, primarily at Tupperware and the Food Equipment Group, as well as higher interest expense. Sales for the first nine months were $2 billion, a 6 percent increase from the first nine months last year.

Premark International, Inc. is a $2.6 billion multinational company that markets premium products under leading brand names such as Tupperware, Wilsonart, Hobart, Vulcan, Hartco, Florida Tile, West Bend and Precor. Premark is listed on the New York, Pacific and London Stock Exchanges.

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DALLAS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Oryx Energy Company (NYSE: ORX) today announced completion of the sale of certain oil and gas properties for $95 million in four separate transactions.

Proceeds net of taxes should be $68 million. An after-tax gain of $29 million will be recorded in the fourth quarter. The total proved reserves associated with these properties represent about 1.5 percent of Oryx Energy's worldwide proved reserves; total daily production from these properties has averaged 7,600 equivalent barrels per day.

The largest of the four transactions, a sale to Geodyne Resources, Inc., for $59 million, involves interests in 14 oil and gas fields located in five states. In the other sales, Oryx Energy divested its interests in its offshore California Hillhouse and Henry platforms, along with five non-producing blocks; its share of the Levelland oil field in Texas; and its interests in the West Moran oil field in Wyoming. These sales follow the $109 million sale of assets announced in late September and are part of the company's previously announced plan to raise $750 million in asset sales by September 1991 to help repay debt from the repurchase last month of 18 million shares of its common stock from the Glenmede Trust Company.

Dallas-based Oryx Energy Company is the largest independent oil and gas company in the world, with assets in excess of $5 billion and proved reserves of more than one billion equivalent barrels. Oryx Energy conducts its domestic operations through Sun Energy Partners, L.P. (NYSE: SLP), of which it

is the managing general partner and 98-percent owner.

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SOUTHFIELD, MI (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Franklin Savings Bank, FSB (NASDAQ: FSVB) reported net income of $156,889, or $0.17 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This is a 3.5-percent improvement over net income for the bank's first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, of $151,524, or $0.16 per share.

Net interest income increased 22 percent in quarter to quarter comparisons. For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net interest income was $2,086,012, compared to $1,714,359, for the same quarter last year. Net interest income for the current period covered the bank's operating expenses of $1,944,636, by 107 percent.

"We continue to press for and achieve net interest margin improvement," reported President and CEO Read P. Dunn. "For the most part, this has been accomplished through seeking lower cost deposits and emphasis on more attractively priced home equity loans."

Franklin's net interest margin for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was 2.11 percent, a 20-percent improvement compared to 1.76 percent for the comparable quarter last year.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $405,797,325, a slight reduction from $411,554,069, at fiscal year end June 30, 1990. Continuing moderate asset reduction is consistent with Franklin's on- going strategy to improve its capital ratios. Stockholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990, was $14.1 million compared to $13.7 million at June 30, 1990. Book value at Sept. 30, 1990, reached $14.87 per share.

The Office of Thrift Supervision ("OTS") is currently completing its regularly scheduled examination of Franklin. Widespread concern over real estate lending has resulted in financial regulators seeking to increase the general loan loss allowances of most institutions. It is anticipated that Franklin will also be required to increase its general loan loss allowance in the future, and any substantial increase would adversely impact earnings. Franklin continues to experience insubstantial loan losses and manageable delinquencies measured by industry standards. Nevertheless, management is currently reviewing the adequacy of Franklin's loan loss allowance.

Franklin Savings Bank has administrative offices and one regional branch in Southfield, with additional regional offices in Grosse Pointe Woods and

Birmingham. Wholly owned subsidiaries, Franklin Commercial Mortgage Group and Franklin Home Lending Group are located in the Southfield admininstrative offices.

FRANKLIN SAVINGS BANK, FSB
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
(Unaudited; dollars in thousands except share data)

	Sept. 30 1990	June 30 1990
ASSETS		
Cash	$1,124	$618
Interest bearing deposits	245	778
Time deposits with FHLB	4,088	5,490
Investment securities (at cost, which approximates market)	13,594	28,371
Loans receivable, net	370,294	359,548
Accrued interest receivable	5,187	6,215
Real estate	2,949	2,828
Premises and equipment, net	2,419	2,484
FHLB stock - cost	2,123	2,123
Prepaid expenses and other assets	3,774	3,099
Total assets	$405,797	$411,554
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Deposits	$357,504	$356,256
Advances from FHLB	20,200	32,200
Subordinated debentures	7,095	---
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	2,550	4,235
Accrued interest payable	1,733	2,484
Other liabilities	2,628	2,654
Total liabilities	$391,710	$397,829
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Common stock - par value $1 at Sept. 30, 1990, and June 30, 1990; authorized 3 million shares; issued and outstanding 947,561 at Sept. 30, 1990, and June 30, 1990	948	948
Additional paid-in capital	8,982	8,777
Retained earnings, restricted	4,157	4,000
Total stockholders' equity	14,087	13,725
TOTAL	$405,797	$411,554

FRANKLIN SAVINGS BANK, FSB
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited; dollars in thousands, except share data)

Three Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Interest income		
Interest on loans	$9,679	$9,691
Interest on investment securities	267	121

Other interest and dividends	269	411	
Total	10,215	10,223	Interest expense
Interest on deposits	7,507	7,504	
Interest on FHLB advances and subordinated debentures	622	1,005	
Total	8,129	8,509	
Net interest income	2,086	1,714	
Provision for possible loan losses	60	120	
Net interest income after provision for possible loan losses	2,026	1,594	Other income
Loan fees and servicing charges	181	239	
Gain (loss) on sale of participation certificates/ mortgages and securities	(18)	195	
Other	9	---	
Total	172	434	Other e xpenses
Compensation and benefits	806	736	
Occupancy and equipment	368	347	
Advertising	111	79	
Professional fees	129	125	
Federal insurance premiums	185	178	
Other	346	330	
Total	1,945	1,795	
Income before provision for federal income taxes	253	233	
Provision for federal income tax	96	82	
Net income	$157	$151	
Earnings per share	$0.17	$0.16	
Weighted average shares	947,561	947,561	

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - At their meeting held on Oct. 22, the board of directors of Berlitz International, Inc. (NYSE: BTZ), declared a preferred stock dividend of $3,015,000 on its preferred stock payable on Nov. 5, 1990, to holders of record at the close of business on Oct. 1, 1990.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Sara Lee Corporation's (NYSE: SLE) board of directors today voted to increase the corporation's common stock dividend by

11.9 percent and authorized the repurchase of 8 million shares of the company's common stock, John H. Bryan announced at the corporation's 50th annual meeting of stockholders.

The quarterly dividend rate on the company's common stock will increase to $.235 per share from $.21, which will raise the annual rate to $.94 per share from the current $.84. Sara Lee directors also declared a dividend of $.859375 per share on the corporation's convertible adjustable preferred stock.

This is the 15th consecutive common stock dividend increase and the 179th consecutive dividend declared by the corporation. Both dividends are payable Jan. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record Dec. 3, 1990.

The stock purchases will be made from time to time through the open market and block transactions at prevailing market prices.

Sara Lee Corporation, an international food and consumer products company, markets a wide variety of brand-name products including Hanes, Hanes Her Way, L'eggs, Champion, Kiwi, Ball Park, Jimmy Dean, Douwe Egberts, Dim and, of course, Sara Lee.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Greater New York Savings Bank (NASDAQ: GRTR) announced today that its net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $1.2 million. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income amounted to $7.5 million. This compares with $5.9 million for the third quarter of 1989 and $17.9 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The decline in income was principally due to the effects of a higher level of non-performing assets, an increase in the provision for loan losses, and expenses associated with ORE and non- performing loan activities.

Non-performing assets increased to $144.9 million at Sept. 30, 1990, from $130.3 million at June 30, 1990. The 1990 third-quarter provision for loan losses increased to $3.5 million from $0.9 million in the comparable 1989 period. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the provision for loan losses increased to $8.5 million from $2.7 million in the comparable 1989 period. At Sept. 30, 1990, the allowance for loan losses amounted to $17.1 million.

In commenting on the third-quarter results, Charles J. Ohlig, chairman and chief executive officer of The Greater, stated: "The deterioration of our economic environment combined with weak real estate markets continues to plague our industry. Obviously, we are not immune to their effects. While I

am pleased that we have remained profitable during these difficult times, and that all of our non-performing assets are secured, I am concerned that there is no evidence of a turnaround in the real estate markets. Therefore, the level of non-performing assets may well continue to increase in the future."

At Sept. 30, 1990, The Greater's primary capital ratio was 7.33 percent, and its risk-based capital ratio was approximately 11.7 percent. These ratios far exceed the regulatory minimums of 5.5 percent and 7.25 percent, respectively, and compare favorably with industry norms.

Primary earnings per share were 6 cents for the third quarter of 1990, and 42 cents for the comparable 1989 period. Additionally, primary earnings per share were 48 cents for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and $1.30 for the comparable 1989 period.

The bank's net interest margin was 2.29 percent in the third quarter of 1990, up from 2.16 percent in the second quarter of 1990. Additionally, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the net interest margin improved by 5 basis points to 2.26 percent in comparison to the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The Greater's operating expense to average assets ratio was 1.71 percent for the third quarter of 1990. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the ratio was 1.65 percent. Excluding ORE and non- performing loan activities expense, the ratio would have been 1.58 percent and 1.52 percent for these periods, respectively.

During the third quarter, The Greater's second new branch of the year was opened in Oceanside, Long Island. Additionally, all regulatory approvals have been received for the pending sale of the bank's only Manhattan branch to Chemical Bank. This transaction is expected to be completed during the fourth quarter of 1990.

The Greater New York Savings Bank is an FDIC-insured, New York- chartered stock savings bank with assets of $3.1 billion, deposits of $2.2 billion and total stockholders' equity of $211 million at Sept. 30, 1990. Nine of its 14 banking offices are located in Brooklyn, where The Greater was originally chartered in 1897, and its five other offices are located in Manhattan, Queens Nassau and Suffolk.

THE GREATER NEW YORK SAVINGS BANK AND SUBSIDIARIES
Financial Highlights
(Dollars in thousands, except per-share data)

Quarters ended:	9/30/90	9/30/89	6/30/90
Operations Data:			
Net interest and dividend income	$16,560	$15,948	$15,871
Provision for loan losses	3,500	900	2,500
Other operating income	1,696	2,806	2,081

Other operating expenses	13,213	11,793	12,557
Taxes on income	371	2,270	742
Income before extraordinary item	1,172	3,791	2,153
Extraordinary item, realization of federal income tax benefit of net operating loss carryforward	--	2,070	--
Net income	$1,172	$5,861	$2,153
Primary earnings per share:			
Income before extraordinary item	$0.06	$0.25	$0.13
Extraordinary item	--	0.17	--
Net income	0.06	0.42	0.13
Fully diluted earnings per share:			
Income before extraordinary item	N/A(A)	0.24	N/A(A)
Extraordinary item	N/A(A)	0.15	N/A(A)
Net income	N/A(A)	0.39	N/A(A)
Selected Other Data (annualized):			
Earning asset yield (pct.)	9.31	9.57(B)	9.18
Cost of funds	7.37	7.94	7.42
Interest rate spread	1.94	1.63(B)	1.76
Net interest margin	2.29	2.11(B)	2.16
Other operating expense to average assets	1.71	1.48	1.65
Return on average assets	0.15	0.73	0.28
Return on average equity	2.21	11.22	4.05
Non-performing (non-accrual) loans and other real estate owned as a percent of total assets (pct.)	4.68	1.45	4.25
Foregone interest income from non-accrual loans	$ 3,556	$ 1,443	$ 4,285
Net chargeoffs	$ 1,620	$ 2,100	$ 605

(A) -- Fully diluted earnings per share is not presented since it would be non-dilutive.

(B) -- Certain reclassifications have been made to conform to the current presentation.

Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Operations Data:		
Net interest and dividend income	$50,178	$50,220
Provision for loan losses	8,500	2,700
Other operating income	5,915	6,973
Other operating expenses	38,058	34,873
Taxes on income	3,239	7,969
Income before extraordinary item	6,296	11,651
Extraordinary item, realization of federal income tax benefit of net operating loss carryforward	1,156	6,234
Net income	$7,452	$17,885

Primary earnings per share:		
Income before extraordinary item	$0.38	$0.81
Extraordinary item	0.10	0.49
Net income	0.48	1.30
Fully diluted earnings per share:		
Income before extraordinary item	$0.38	$0.78
Extraordinary item	0.08	0.44
Net income	0.46	1.22
Selected Other Data (annualized):		
Earning asset yield (pct.)	9.32	9.52
Cost of funds	7.45	7.79
Interest rate spread	1.87	1.73
Net interest margin	2.26	2.21
Other operating expense to average assets	1.65	1.50
Return on average assets	0.32	0.77
Return on average equity	4.69	11.69
Non-performing (non-accrual) loans and other real estate owned as a percent of total assets	4.68	1.45
Foregone interest income from non-accrual loans	$9,471	$3,066
Net chargeoffs	$2,244	$2,047

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Financial Condition Data:		
Total assets	$3,099,589	$3,105,098
Loans receivable	1,942,320	1,953,291
Allowances for loan losses	(17,072)	(10,816)
Total	1,925,248	1,942,475
Mortgage-backed securities, net	772,313	728,890
Investment securities, net	204,657	227,226
Deposits	2,249,374	2,209,899
Borrowed funds	585,944	615,605
Stockholders' equity	211,427	209,923
Selected Ratios:		
Hedged negative one-year gap to total assets (pct.)	12.6	10.7(A)
Interest-sensitive assets to total assets:		
Under one year	40.5	44.1
Under five years	79.4	82.7
Stockholders' equity to total assets	6.82	6.76

(A) -- Restated to maintain comparability with the current period's presentation.

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HARRISBURG, PA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - First Harrisburg Bancor Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FFHP) (FHB), parent company of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Harrisburg, today reported third quarter earnings of $499,700 or $.63 per share.

This compares to the 1989 third quarter earnings of $652,400 or $.82 per share. The decrease in net income was due to the $192,400 extraordinary item in the third quarter 1989 which was the effect of consolidating the subsidiaries for tax purposes. Net interest income increased in the 1990 quarter over the 1989 quarter by $189,900 or 12.4 percent.

For the nine months ended, FHB reported net income of $153,000 or $.19 per share, compared to a net income of $1.6 million or $1.99 per share in the same period of 1989.

Robert H. Trewhella, president and chief executive officer, noted the decrease in the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, was attributed to the second quarter addition to loan loss reserves and provision for real estate loan losses. These decreases were partially offset by profit on the sale of Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. stock in the second quarter and an increase in net interest income of $195,400, during the 1990 nine-month period.

The board of directors declared a cash dividend of $.10 per share payable Nov. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 5, a 25 percent increase over the previous period.

First Harrisburg Bancor is a Pennsylvania-chartered stock company trading on the NASDAQ National Market System, under the symbol "FFHP."

FIRST HARRISBURG BANCOR INC.

Periods ended	Third Quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989(A)	1990	1989(A)
Assets	--	--	$240,730,700	$252,009,300
Net income	$499,700	$652,400	$153,000	$1,582,300
Avg. shares outstanding:				
Primary	789,187	796,584	795,168	793,204
Diluted	789,187	797,837	795,168	797,826
Earnings per share:				
Net income primary	$.63	$.82	$.19	$1.99
Net income diluted	.63	.82	.19	1.98

(A) Earnings per share was adjusted for the 10 percent stock dividend paid in the fourth quarter.

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ANN ARBOR, MI (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Daedalus Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ: DDEI) announced the Oct. 19, 1990, declaration of a semiannual dividend of 4 cents per share of common stock, payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to holders of record as of Nov. 15, 1990. Daedalus has previously paid dividends on an irregular basis but now intends to pay dividends on a semiannual basis payable in June and December.

Daedalus Enterprises, Inc. is the leading developer and manufacturer of remote sensing instruments used for environmental measurements and monitoring.

The company's stock is traded in the over-the-counter market under the symbol "DDEI," and is quoted in the automated quotation system of the National Association of Securities Dealers.

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#90298p9427 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARTHAGE, MO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Leggett & Platt Inc. (NYSE: LEG) today reported results for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990. For the quarter, earnings were $10.46 million on sales of $285 million (up 13 percent) and fully diluted earnings per share were 58 cents (down 13 percent) - both compared with the like period a year earlier.

These results are consistent with the company's previously announced expectations that earnings per share for this year's third quarter would be about 15 percent lower than the third quarter of 1989. As also expected, sales for the quarter, excluding acquisitions, were down about one percent when compared with the like period a year earlier.

For the first nine months of 1990, earnings were $35.76 million on sales of $829 million (up 11 percent) and fully diluted earnings per share were $1.98 (down one percent) - both compared with the first nine months of 1989.

Excluding acquisitions, sales for the nine months increased one percent. Comparative summaries of the results of operations for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 and 1989 are shown below.

The company also said that management continues to believe that fully diluted earnings for all of 1990 should approximate $46.1 million ($2.50 per share) on sales of $1.07 billion, if recent business conditions remain about unchanged throughout the fourth quarter.

Headquartered in Carthage, Leggett & Platt is a Fortune 500 company that specializes in manufacturing and marketing a broad line of components used by companies making furniture and bedding for homes, offices and institutions.

Other home furnishings products include select lines of finished furniture and carpet cushioning materials. A variety of diversified products are also produced and sold in several different markets unrelated to the home furnishings industry. The company's common stock is listed on The New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Farr Co.'s (NASDAQ: FARC) string of record quarterly results continued in the third quarter, as net income increased 31 percent to $754,000 equal to 23 cent per share, from $577,000, or 16 cents per share, a year ago as adjusted for the 5-for-4 stock split effected on Sept. 7, 1990. Sales advanced 11 percent to $20,088,000 from $18,164,000 last year.

For the first nine months, profits grew by 32 percent to $2,534,000 from $1,917,000 in the same period last year, and earnings per share increased to 72 cents per share from 53 cents in 1989, as adjusted for the previously mentioned stock split. Nine months sales were $63,493,000 up 12 percent from $56,448,000 last year.

Allan B. Foy, chairman and president said: "The strong third quarter extends to four the number of consecutive quarters in which we have had record sales. The third quarter and nine months results were especially strong in Europe. In terms of markets, the major gain was in gas turbine filter houses which are very active at this time. Sales of heating, ventilating and air conditioning filters also increased in Europe, the United States, and the Far East.

"The improvement in profits was largely in the United States and Europe as a result of increased sales volume coupled with tight control over domestic costs."

Foy continued: "While we are endeavoring to minimize costs, we are not doing so at the expense of our long-term growth. We continue to invest substantial amounts on new products such as the development and start-up of the HEPA filter line, which is now ready to commence full scale production."

He concluded: "In terms of the future, our concerns are what is going to happen to the economy and the world situation. Assuming things stay on a fairly even keel, we anticipate a good fourth quarter."

Farr Co. is a leading producer of filters for particulate, liquid and gaseous filtration systems. The company has nine manufacturing facilities in the United States as well as plants in Canada and England.

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#90298p9430 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LEE, N.J. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Sun Chemical Corporation announced today that it has signed agreements with BASF Corporation to purchase BASF's U.S. and Canadian packaging and commercial ink business.

Sun Chemical Corporation is a subsidiary of DIC Americas, Inc. The company has production and sales facilities throughout North America and Western Europe and in Latin America.

BASF Corporation, headquartered in Parsippany, N.J., is the North American member of the BASF Group. It produces chemicals, plastics, coatings, pharmaceuticals and consumer products, with manufacturing operations in 35 countries.

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TROY, MICH. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Entertainment Publishing Corp. (AMEX: ENT), the leading publisher of discount coupon books, reported its customary first-quarter loss today. Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $4,500,000, compared with $4,296,000, for the same period last year.

The first-quarter loss increased to $5,024,000 ($.88 per share on 5,736,000 average shares outstanding), compared to a loss of $4,044,000 ($.74 per share on 5,473,000 average shares outstanding), from the same period last year.

The company's business is seasonal. Publication of ENTERTAINMENT(R) coupon book editions is generally completed in October of each year with significant sales beginning thereafter. Very few sales are made in the company's first fiscal quarter and, accordingly, the company incurs a substantial loss in that quarter.

ENTERTAINMENT PUBLISHING CORP.
CONDENSED EARNINGS REPORT
(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

Three Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$4,500	$4,296

Operating loss	(6,839)	(5,382)
Net loss	(5,024)	(4,044)
Average shares outstanding	5,736	5,473
Net loss per share	($.88)	($.74)

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Park-Ohio Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: PKOH) today reported increased earnings for the third quarter of 1990.

The diversified Cleveland-based manufacturing company had net income of $516,000, equal to 9 cents per share of common stock, for the three months ended September 30. This compares with net income of $93,000, or 2 cents a share, in the 1989 third quarter. Included in 1990 results was a net gain of $289,000 or 5 cents a share on the sale of assets. Sales for the 1990 third quarter were $32,585,000 compared with $34,328,000 in the same period a year ago.

For the first nine months of 1990, Park-Ohio's sales were $100,533,000 compared with $113,448,000 a year earlier. The Company had a net loss of $1,715,000, equal to 31 cents a share, compared with 1989 net income of $1,561,000 or 27 cents a share. The 1990 results include a net charge of $1,144,000 or 21 cents a share related to the closing of the Company's Fairfield, Ohio abrasives plant offset by a gain from the disposal of the Company's facility in Bedford Heights, Ohio.

Richard S. Sheetz, chairman and chief executive officer, reported that performance improvements at Park-Ohio's Bennett Industries and Tocco units paced the increase in third quarter operating income. "Bennett's container business was up strongly for both the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 and Tocco, as anticipated, had its best quarter of the year," Sheetz said.

"We continue to incur costs related to the expansion of our abrasives business including the start-up of production at our Butler, Pennsylvania plant and the phase-out of our older, less efficient Fairfield facility," Sheetz continued. "In addition, we are beginning to see a leveling off of losses at our Park Drop Forge unit.

"Overall, our operations have been profitable for six of the past seven consecutive quarters," he said. "Increased plant efficiencies, in part the result of capital equipment additions, continue to offset rising materials costs and lower volumes.

"There are also signs of increasing economic sluggishness in certain of the key markets we serve, which should add to the operating challenges we face

during the fourth quarter," Sheetz continued. "Nevertheless, we anticipate continued operating improvement during the last three months of 1990."

Park-Ohio is a diversified manufacturer whose operations include plastic and steel containers, forged and machined products, induction heating systems, industrial rubber products and metal abrasives. The Company's common stock is publicly traded on the national over-the-counter market.

PARK-OHIO INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited)
(In Thousands, Except Per Share Data)

	For the Quarter Ended September 30	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 32,585	$ 34,328
Income from operations before plant shutdown and disposal of facility	227	93
Income on plant shutdown and disposal of facility, net - Note A	289	-0-
Net income	$ 516	$ 93
Net income per common share:		
Income from operations before plant shutdown and disposal of facility	$ .04	$ .02
Income from plant shutdown and disposal of facility	.05	-0-
Total	$ .09	$ .02
Common shares used in the computation	5,605	5,616

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$100,533	$113,448
Income (loss) from operations before plant shutdown and disposal of facility	(571)	1,561
Income (loss) on plant shutdown and disposal of facility, net - Note A	(1,144)	-0-
Net income (loss)	$ (1,715)	$ 1,561
Net income (loss) per common share:		
Income (loss) from operations before plant shutdown and disposal of facility	$ (.10)	$ .27
Income (loss) from plant shutdown and disposal of facility	(.21)	-0-
Total	$ (.31)	$ .27
Common shares used in the computation	5,604	5,611

Note A - Relates to the termination of operations at the Company's Steel Abrasives, Inc. subsidiary in Fairfield, Ohio, and the disposal of the

Company's Morco, Inc. facility in Bedford Heights, Ohio.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Datakey, Inc. (NASDAQ: DKEY) today reported total revenue for the third quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, of $2,113,116, compared with $2,644,054 for the same period in 1989. The net income for the 1990 third quarter was $364,672, or 10 cents per share, versus $793,963, or 22 cents per share, last year.

The company's nine month revenue was $6,586,350, compared with $7,382,348 in the year ago period. Net income after three quarters was $1,593,489, or 44 cents per share fully taxed in 1990, versus $2,534,638, or 71 cents per share, for the first nine months of 1989. The 1989 results included extraordinary gains and tax credits totaling $461,000, or 13 cents per share.

According to John H. Underwood, president and chief executive officer, "Total revenue for the three quarters just ended is down from the same period a year ago, primarily due to lower sales in the government market. Government business continued to contribute the major portion of total sales but, overall decreased 19 percent. On the other hand, our commercial sales have nearly doubled so far this year.

"The lower government sales levels resulted from fewer shipments of key and receptacle products to the manufacturers of the secure telephone units," Underwood noted. "In addition, last year during this period, the company benefited from a short-term acceleration of scheduled key shipments to the government in support of this same program."

Datakey, Inc. designs, produces and markets specialty-class portable data carriers in the form of keys, cards and custom-shaped devices to OEMs in an application-oriented marketplace. These small, semiconductor memory-based, portable devices serve as a convenient way to provide machine-readable electronic information for use in a variety of micro-processor-based equipment. The company's portable data devices are packaged to withstand the adverse elements found in transportable human environments. Datakey also designs, produces and markets supporting peripheral equipment for these portable data carrier devices. Shares of Datakey's common stock are traded on the NASDAQ/NMS market under the symbol DKEY.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - MGI PHARMA, INC. (NASDAQ: MOGN) reported today that revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 totalled $1,936,258, which compares favorably to $974,617 for the third quarter of 1989 and $1,429,016 and $1,403,562 for the first and second quarters of 1990, respectively. As expected, the third quarter showed a net loss of $1,413,813 or 18 cents per share compared to net income of $183,051 or 1 cent per share in the third quarter of 1989 and a net loss of $1,442,019 or 18 cents per share in the preceding 1990 quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, MGI PHARMA reported a net loss from continuing operations of $4,313,468 or 54 cents per share. This compares with net income from continuing operations of $1,125,804 or 12 cents per share for the first nine months of 1989. Results for the current nine month period were affected by the amortization of DIDRONEL(R) I.V. Infusion purchase price (a $1,644,051 non-cash item).

Third quarter results were influenced by two items: a surge in DIDRONEL I.V. Infusion sales and the company's continued aggressive investment in clinical studies for MGI 136 and MGI 647. DRIDONEL I.V. Infusion's customers built up their inventories, positively impacting third quarter revenue. The company expects distributors' inventories to normalize during the next quarter. The company's substantial investment in its clinical studies reflects the intensity in which it has been signing up clinics to participate in the final studies for its two lead compounds, MGI 136 and MGI 647. Dr. Kenneth Tempero, chairman and chief executive, said, "We currently have more than 20 clinics actively participating in each program and will continue with our aggressive development plans for these compounds as long as they appear medically and scientifically worthy."

"The company is financially strong," said Dr. Tempero. "We have $27,020,000 in cash and cash equivalents as well as revenue streams from DIDRONEL I.V. Infusion, royalties from MGI 805 (Lyme Disease Vaccine), and our co-marketing arrangement for oral DIDRONEL."

As previously reported, MGI PHARMA entered into two new licensing arrangements during the third quarter: one with Zila, Inc., by which MGI PHARMA will market a new oral analgesic product based on Zila's patented film-forming technology, and one with Wyeth-Ayerst, whereby Wyeth-Ayerst will develop and market the Lyme Disease Vaccine for humans for which MGI PHARMA holds the patent rights.

MGI PAHRMA, INC., is in the business of acquiring, developing and marketing pharmaceuticals prescribed by oncologists and other medical specialists. The company has acquired a portfolio of compounds, several of which have significant therapeutic and commercial potential. The company has three compounds in human clinical trials and currently sells DIDRONEL I.V. Infusion

for the treatment of hypercalcemia in cancer patients.

MGI PHARMA, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues:		
Product sales	$1,178,250	--
Royalties	105,673	25,957
Co-marketing	75,000	--
Gain on sale of investment	--	--
Interest and other income	577,335	948,660
Total revenues	1,936,258	974,617
Cost and Expenses:		
Research and development	$1,669,618	$580,651
Cost of sales	139,716	--
Selling, general and administrative (a)	1,008,254	210,915
Amortization of intangibles	532,483	--
Total costs and expenses	3,350,071	791,566
Income (loss) before discontinued operations	(1,413,813)	183,051
Discontinued operations:		
Gain on sale of plant business	--	--
Loss from plant business operations	--	--
Net income (loss)	$(1,413,813)	183,051
Income (loss) per common share:		
Income (loss) before discontinued operations (b)	$(0.18)	$0.01
Discontinued operations	--	--
Net Income (loss)	$(0.18)	$0.01
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	8,225,341	8,184,850

	Nine months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues:		
Product sales	$2,452,510	$75,000
Royalties	188,147	136,025
Co-marketing	225,000	--
Gain on sale of investment	--	760,550
Interest and		

other income	1,903,179	2,651,269
Total revenues	4,768,836	3,622,844
Cost and Expenses:		
Research and development	$4,490,694	1,533,051
Cost of sales	292,697	57,806
Selling, general and administrative (a)	2,654,862	906,183
Amortization of intangibles	1,644,051	--
Total costs and expenses	9,082,304	2,497,040
Income (loss) before discontinued operations	(4,313,468)	1,125,804
Discontinued operations:		
Gain on sale of plant business	--	1,572,053
Loss from plant business operations	--	(327,025)
Net income (loss)	$(4,313,468)	2,370,832
Income (loss) per common share:		
Income (loss) before discontinued operations (b)	$(0.54)	$0.12
Discontinued operations	--	$0.15
Net Income (loss)	$(0.54)	$0.27
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	8,209,091	8,134,514

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DATA
(In thousands)

	9/30/90 (unaudited)	12/31/89
Cash and cash equivalents	$27,020	$37,656
Total assets	35,838	39,632
Total common stockholders' equity	30,947	35,278

(a) Results in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 include a $555,000 June 1990 recovery of the 1988 charge to selling, general and administrative expense which fully provided for possible loss on a note receivable from the Molecular Genetics Research and Development Limited Partnership.

(b) Undeclared, unpaid dividends on the redeemable cumulative preferred stock of $44,000 and $55,146 in the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively, and $132,000 and $165,439 in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively, are subtracted from (added to) the income (loss) before discontinued operations in computing net income (loss) per common share.

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NEW HAVEN, CT (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Amity Bancorp, Inc., (NASDAQ-NMS: AMTY) holding company for Amity Bank and Amity Loans, Inc., today reported a consolidated net loss for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $1,216,000 or $1.25 per common share as compared to consolidated net income of $441,000 or $.42 per common share for the third quarter of 1989.

As a result of the loss for the third quarter of 1990, Amity Bancorp reported a consolidated net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $1,442,000 or $1.53 per common share. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, Amity Bancorp reported net income of $1,343,000 or $1.27 per common share.

Total assets decreased to $197,351,000 at Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to $199,158,000 at June 30, 1990.

The third quarter loss is primarily the result of Amity Bank's substantially increased provision for loan losses. On a consolidated basis, Amity Bancorp's provision for loan losses in the third quarter of 1990 amounted to $2,548,000, as compared with a provision of $281,000 in the same period last year. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Amity Bancorp's provision for loan losses was $4,253,000 compared with $1,246,000 in the year earlier period. As a result, at Sept. 30, 1990, Amity Bancorp's allowance for loan losses rose to $3,124,000, representing 2.09 percent of total loans outstanding.

Amity Bank operates its main office in Woodbridge, Conn., with offices in New Haven, Branford, Norwalk and Stamford. Amity Loans, Inc. maintains offices in the states of California, Colorado, Kansas, Kentucky, North Carolina and Texas.

AMITY BANCORP INC.
SUMMARY HIGHLIGHTS

Three Months ended Sept. 30;	1990	1989
Net income (loss)	$(1,216,000)	$ 441,000
Earnings (Loss) Per Share:		
Primary	(1.25)	.42
Fully diluted	(1.25)	.37
Average Common Shares:		
Primary	993,532	992,222
Fully diluted	993,532	1,234,562
Nine Months ended Sept. 30;	1990	1989
Net income (loss)	$(1,442,000)	$ 1,343,000
Earnings (Loss) Per Share:		
Primary	(1.53)	1.27
Fully diluted	(1.53)	1.12
Average Common Shares:		
Primary	993,532	990,581
Fully diluted	993,532	1,231,451

NOTE: 1989 per share results and shares outstanding have been adjusted for a 5 percent stock dividend paid in December 1989.

CONTACT: William B. Laudano, Jr., vice president & chief financial officer of Amity Bancorp, 203-389-2800

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HOUSTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - L.B. (Buck) Gatewood has been named to the additional position of president of Panhandle Trading Company (PTC), the Panhandle Eastern Corporation (NYSE: PEL) affiliate operating as an independent broker and reseller of natural gas in the national spot market. He will report to Carl B. King, senior vice president and general counsel, on the activities of PTC.

"I am very pleased to have the opportunity to work with the team of dedicated professionals at Panhandle Trading Company," Gatewood said. "We will focus on developing new market opportunities while continuing to provide top quality services to natural gas producers, pipelines, and consumers."

Gatewood also is president and chief operating officer of Trunkline LNG Company, a Panhandle Eastern subsidiary that operates a liquefied natural gas terminal and regasification plant. He will continue reporting Trunkline LNG Company activities to Dennis A. Staley, group vice president of PEC and chairman and chief executive officer of Trunkline LNG.

Before being named to his current position at Trunkline LNG, Gatewood was president of La Gloria Oil and Gas Company, the Texas Eastern refining and marketing subsidiary sold by Panhandle Eastern in 1989. He joined Texas Eastern in 1978 as manager of economics and became manager of marketing and supply for La Gloria in 1981. He had several positions of increasing responsibility at La Gloria before being named president in 1986.

Gatewood serves on the board of directors of the American Leadership Forum and Innovate Houston. He is currently chairman of the Panhandle Eastern Corporation Political Action Committee and serves on the company's Quality Improvement Process steering committee.

On Nov. 1, David R. Liles, director of gas sales for PTC, will become vice president of gas sales, and Mark A. Wetzel, currently director of gas supply for PTC, will become vice president of gas supply. Both will report to Gatewood.

Panhandle Eastern Corporation operates one of the nation's largest interstate natural gas pipeline systems, providing natural gas to the Midwest and Northeast markets.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - NeoRx Corporation (NASDAQ: NERX) reported that its board of directors declared a cash dividend of $1.21875 per share on its preferred stock, Series 1, payable Dec. 1, 1990, to holders of record at the close of business on Nov. 15, 1990. This dividend covers the period from June 1, 1990 through Nov. 30, 1990.

NeoRx Corporation, incorporated in May 1984, is developing monoclonal antibody-based pharmaceutical products for in vivo detection and treatment of certain types of cancer.

The company has five cancer clinical trials in progress and has filed for marketing approval with the FDA for two OncoTrac(R) Imaging products to detect metastatic melanoma and small cell lung cancer.

CONTACT: Robert M. Littauer, vice president and chief financial officer of NeoRx, (206) 281-7001, ext. 519, or Anthony J. Russo or Susan A. Noonan of Noonan/Russo Communications, (212) 979-9180, for NeoRx.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of the board of directors of American Home Products Corporation (NYSE: AHP), held today, a dividend of fifty-three and three-quarters (53.75) cents per share on the outstanding shares of common stock of this company was declared payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 13, 1990.

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#90298p9455 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
GREEN BAY, WIS. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Terex Corporation (NASDAQ: TERX) today reported sales and earnings for its third-quarter and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the third quarter, revenues were $240 million, and net income was $5.2 million, or $0.53 per share. In the third quarter in 1989, revenues were $261 million, and net income was $5.7 million, or $0.58 per share. Notwithstanding the decrease in revenues, operating income in the third quarter of 1990 increased to $12.6 million, a 6 percent increase from the operating income of $11.9 in the third quarter last year.

Revenues for the nine months increased to $793 million and net income was $15.3 million, or $1.55 per share. In the same period last year, revenues

were $486 million, and net income was $14.6 million, or $1.49 per share. Operating income for the nine months of 1990 was $40.1 million, a 47 percent increase over the operating income of $27.3 million in the comparable period in the prior year.

Earnings per share figures for 1990 reflect the five-for-four stock split on May 24, 1990.

Commenting on the results, Randolph W. Lenz, chairman of the board, said, "We are pleased that the restructuring programs and the operating efficiencies that we have achieved have provided resistance against the effects of the current economic conditions, resulting in only a minimal impact upon our net results. In fact, it should be noted that our operating income increased this quarter, and if the interest rates available to us now as a result of the refinancing of the Fruehauf debt had been in effect in the third quarter, a 15 percent bottom-line increase would have resulted, yielding net income of $0.61 per share.

Terex's Fruehauf Trailers subsidiary is the world's leading manufacturer of truck trailers, making a wide range of van refrigerated, platform, tank, dump trailer and other models. Terex's heavy equipment group -- which includes Terex Equipment Limited, Koehring Cranes & Excavators, Unit Rig and Northwest Engineering -- designs, manufactures and markets heavy-duty, off-highway, earthmoving, construction and materials handling equipment for the mining, construction, logging and other industries.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Bio-Monitor Inc. (NASDAQ: BMON) announced today that it has completed its previously announced agreement with MD America of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and has combined their Medical Depot Superstore franchise operations through an exchange of stock.

Bio-Monitor has issued 2,910,000 shares of Bio-Monitor common stock for 100 percent of MD America common stock. MD America shareholders now own 48 percent of the combined company, which has 6,046,000 shares outstanding, with approximately 10 percent publicly traded.

The combined company now owns 12 franchises and franchise rights to 49 Medical Depot Superstores. Most of the 61 combined stores, franchises and rights are for locations in Florida, Arizona, Georgia, Pennsylvania, Ohio and the Metropolitan Washington, D.C. area.

William Kramer has been elected president of Bio-Monitor and James Whidden

will remain as chairman. The board of directors of Bio-Monitor are James Whidden and William Amzallag, current members and William Kramer, the senior officer of MD America. Two other members are to be selected.

Whidden stated, "The combination with MD America strengthens our position, particularly in Florida, as the largest franchisee of Medical Depot." Currently, there are five Medical Depot Superstores open in Florida.

The Medical Depot franchise is a retail store offering a complete selection of durable and disposable medical equipment, supplies and comfort items...selling to the public (retail) and segments of the health care industry (wholesale). The "depot" concept is modeled after the popular Home Depot and Office Depot concepts.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Imperial Chemical Industries PLC (ADRs - NYSE: ICI) of London, England, today reported income before extraordinary items of $180 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $340 million on the same quarter in 1989. Income per ADR before extraordinary items was $1.02 on sales of $5.60 billion, which compares with $1.97 per ADR on sales of $6.01 billion in the third quarter of 1989.

This brings net income before extraordinary items for the first nine months of 1990 to $1,062 million, or $6.07 per ADR, on sales of $18.36 billion, which compares with $1,391 million, or $8.10 per ADR, on sales of $18.43 billion, in the comparative 1989 period.

The results for the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 are summarized in the following table, together with comparative figures for 1989:

IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES PLC

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales (billions)	$ 5.60	$ 6.01	$18.36	$18.43
Income before tax (millions)	$ 299	$ 572	$1,670	$2,302
Income before extraordinary items (millions)	$ 180	$ 340	$1,062	$1,391
Net income after extraord. items (millions)	$1,152	$ 340	$1,848	$1,391
Earnings per ADR before extraordinary items	$ 1.02	$ 1.97	$ 6.07	$ 8.10
Earnings per ADR after extraordinary items	$ 6.58	$ 1.97	$10.55	$ 8.10

Results for all periods have been expressed above in U.S. dollars at an exchange rate of $1.87 to the pound, the rate prevailing on Sept. 30, 1990.

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GALVESTON, TEXAS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Hornbeck Offshore Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: HOSS) today announced earnings for the nine month and three month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

HORNBECK OFFSHORE SERVICES, INC.

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1989	1990	1989	1990
Revenues	$ 2,239	$ 6,791	$ 3,451	$ 17,847
Net income (loss)	382	1,556	(1,981)	3,423
Earnings (loss) per share				
Primary	$ .10	$ .15	$(.80)	$ .42
Fully diluted	$ .10	$ .15	$(.80)	$ .41

Revenues were $17,847,000 and net income totaled $3,423,000 ($.42 per share; $.41 per share on a fully diluted basis) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. In the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, the company reported revenues of $3,451,000 and a net loss of $1,981,000 ($(.80) per share) which resulted primarily from non-recurring partnership restructuring costs of $2,223,000 recorded in the second quarter of 1989.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues totaled $6,791,000 and net income was $1,556,000 ($.15 per share). For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, revenues totaled $2,239,000 and net income was $382,000 ($.10 per share).

Larry D. Hornbeck, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer stated that higher revenues and earnings in 1990 were caused by several factors including the purchase of vessels in the second half of 1989 and in January of 1990 and the improved day rates and utilization rates for the company's vessels as compared to 1989. The third quarter also benefited from higher interest income earned on investment of funds from a public offering of common stock on May 1990 and from lower interest payments due to reduction of debt. Hornbeck also commented that the company's objectives are being met by simplifying our capital structure through elimination of two series of preferred stock and by reduction of debt by $9,800,000 or 39 percent. Additionally, the company has continued its vessel purchases with the acquisition of two supply vessels on Oct. 1, 1990 increasing our fleet size to 30 vessels.

Hornbeck Offshore Services, Inc. is engaged in the offshore marine services

business, primarily serving the oil and gas industry in the Gulf of Mexico through its operation and management of supply, tug- supply, utility, crew and geophysical vessels.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - R. R. Donnelley and Sons Co. (NYSE: DNY), North America's largest printer, reported third-quarter sales of $898.3 million, an increase of 13.1 percent over the same period in 1989. Net income of $62.8 million, equivalent to 81 cents per share, increased 5.8 percent (4 cents per share), after normalizing third quarter 1989 net income for a nonrecurring net gain relating primarily to the sale of certain land. For the nine months, sales increased 7.1 percent to $2.38 billion. Net income of $157.7 million, or $2.03 per share, increased 4.8 percent (9 cents per share) over 1989's normalized net income for the comparable period.

"Our sales gains represent real growth and result from a higher volume of services," said John R. Walter, Donnelley chairman, president and chief executive officer. "These were achieved despite several continuing factors, which have adversely affected us all year. Many customers across all areas of the business are cautious, reflecting concerns with general economic conditions, the federal deficit, unstable capital markets, and the political situation in the Middle East."

The company reported that generally weak advertising conditions persist and continued to adversely affect magazine pages and counts. Book activity levels improved somewhat, but continued to reflect the caution of book publishers. Catalog and newspaper insert levels reflected good demand, particularly given the economic and financial uncertainties affecting some of the company's customers and the retail markets. Directory and computer documentation printing operated at reasonably good levels during the periods. Financial printing levels were good, despite declining overall demand in the worldwide capital markets. The operating results of the Meredith/Burda companies, acquired on Sept. 4, 1990, were included in the consolidated results since the date of acquisition.

Earnings from operations, pre-tax earnings and net income continued to grow during the third quarter. Earnings grew slower than sales, as expected, because of increases in depreciation and amortization expenses, and the effects of the acquisition of the Meredith/Burda companies.

Donnelley's program to expand, upgrade and re-equip printing operations continued. Capital invested through Sept. 30 was $182.6 million. The company continued to project full-year capital investments at $250 million. This is

in addition to that invested to acquire the Meredith/Burda companies.

The Donnelley board of directors today declared a quarterly dividend of 24 cents per share, payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 9, 1990.

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MIAMI (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - American Savings & Loan Association of Florida (NASDAQ: ASLA) announced today that it has filed an application with the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) for approval of conversion of its charter from a Florida state-chartered stock association into a Federal stock savings bank having the name American Savings of Florida, F.S.B.

According to Harris C. Friedman, American Savings' chairman and chief executive officer, "following the passage of FIRREA, the advantages of remaining a state-chartered thrift were largely eliminated." Friedman added, "the conversion, if approved, would provide meaningful savings in operating expenses."

Effectiveness of the charter conversion is subject to receipt of stockholder and OTS approval. The conversion is not expected to become effective before May 1991.

American Savings currently operates a network of five mortgage offices and 55 retail banking offices in Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, Pinellas, Hernando, and Pasco counties. American Savings is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank System and its deposits are Federally insured. American Savings' common shares are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ASLA.

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ST. PAUL, MN (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The St. Paul Companies' (NASDAQ: STPL) third quarter operating results outperformed the first two quarters of 1990 as well as the comparable 1989 period. The worldwide insurance organization, which released third quarter financial results today, also hit the billion-dollar mark in quarterly revenues for the first time in its 137-year history.

Third quarter consolidated operating income (excluding realized investment

gains) was $102.8 million, or $2.30 per share, compared with $65.1 million, or $1.32 per share, for the comparable period in 1989.

After-tax realized investment gains were $4.4 million in third quarter compared with gains of $13.7 million in the same quarter of 1989. Net income was $107.2 million, or $2.40 per share, compared with $78.8 million, or $1.60 per share, for third quarter 1989. All per share figures are fully diluted.

Revenues, which include pretax investment gains, were $1.0 billion, compared with $944.9 million in the same quarter of 1989.

"Barring the kind of catastrophic losses that we saw last year with Hurricane Hugo and the San Francisco earthquake, our 1990 operating earnings should surpass 1988's record," said Douglas W. Leatherdale, chairman and chief executive officer of The St. Paul Companies. "All three of our business segments have contributed to our strong results so far this year."

Leatherdale also noted The St. Paul's solid financial position and healthy balance sheet.

"We don't invest in junk bonds or real estate mortgages," Leatherdale said. "Our financial strength is reflected in the AAA rating Standard & Poor's gives our claim-paying ability and the AA rating it gives our publicly issued debt."

For nine months 1990, consolidated operating income was $292.5 million, or $6.14 per share, compared with $233.1 million, or $4.77 per share, for the comparable 1989 period.

Nine months net income was $297.9 million, or $6.25 per share, compared with $271.6 million, or $5.55 per share, for the comparable period in 1989. Net income for nine months 1990 included after-tax realized investment gains of $5.4 million. Gains in the same period of 1989 were $38.5 million.

Revenues for nine months 1990 totaled $2.9 billion, compared with $2.8 billion for nine months 1989. Underwriting Operations

Leatherdale added, "While some comparisons with third quarter 1989 are affected by the catastrophic losses of Hurricane Hugo, underwriting still had a very good third quarter this year. We continue to see promising growth from those market niches where we are an acknowledged specialist and leader."

THE ST. PAUL COMPANIES
THIRD QUARTER UNDERWRITING OPERATIONS HIGHLIGHTS

	Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Property-liability written premiums	$817,760,000	$736,722,000
Underwriting loss	($39,809,000)	($78,615,000)
Net investment income	$157,067,000	$152,850,000

Pretax operating income (A)	$116,218,000	$67,763,000
Combined ratio	103.2	110.4

(A) Excluding realized investment gains.

THE ST. PAUL COMPANIES

NINE MONTHS UNDERWRITING OPERATIONS HIGHLIGHTS

	Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Property-liability written premiums	$2,291,215,000	$2,102,902,000
Underwriting loss	($95,474,000)	($136,895,000)
Net investment income	$467,171,000	$458,595,000
Pretax operating income (A)	$356,036,000	$272,787,000
Combined ratio	103.2	105.7

(A) Excluding realized investment gains. Insurance Brokerage Operations

Insurance brokerage operations had pretax income of $19.2 million for third quarter 1990, compared with pretax income of $23.8 million for the same 1989 quarter. For nine months of 1990, insurance brokerage operations had pretax income of $20.1 million, compared with pretax income of $16.3 million for the same 1989 period.

"The third quarter is usually good for our brokerage operations," Leatherdale said. "Broking solidly maintained that tradition this quarter although slightly behind third quarter 1989." Investment Banking Operations

Investment banking had pretax operating income of $10.8 million for third quarter 1990, compared with $6.1 million for the same period of 1989. Nine months 1990 pretax operating income was $30.9 million, compared with $26.4 million for the same period of 1989. Consolidated Financial Position

Consolidated assets for The St. Paul Companies as of Sept. 30, 1990, were $11.8 billion, compared with $11.0 billion as of Dec. 31, 1989.

Book value per common share was $49.70 on 42,273,606 shares of common stock outstanding on Sept. 30, 1990. Comparable book value on Dec. 31, 1989, was $47.65 on 49,303,881 shares.

THE ST. PAUL COMPANIES

NINE MONTHS RESULTS

	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,931,305,000	$2,817,430,000
Operating Income	$292,529,000	$233,149,000
Per Share (Fully Diluted)	$6.14	$4.77
Net Income	$297,913,000	$271,618,000
Per Share (Fully Diluted)	$6.25	$5.55

THIRD QUARTER RESULTS

	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,005,087,000	$944,856,000
Operating Income	$102,812,000	$65,057,000

Per Share (Fully Diluted)	$2.30	$1.32
Net Income	$107,231,000	$78,787,000
Per Share (Fully Diluted)	$2.40	$1.60

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (NASD) today announced that it had exercised its option to acquire the nationwide network of PLATO Professional Development Centers from The Roach Organization, Inc. (TRO).

The acquisition, which will become effective on Jan. 1, 1991, includes more than 60 test center sites located in major U.S. cities, a staff of 200 and related equipment.

The NASD, the largest user of the test center network, said it acquired the centers to gain increased efficiencies in carrying out its regulatory function of administering qualification examinations to prospective registered representatives and principals of member firms.

The NASD has been using the PLATO network for more than a decade to administer as many as 250,000 securities industry qualification tests a year on the centers' 600 computers. In addition to administering its own qualification examinations, the NASD administers a variety of examinations on behalf of other self-regulatory organizations, the states, the commodities industry and other certifying organizations. The entire securities industry qualification program is now delivered in automated form.

TRO will continue to manage the computer system and operating software for all centers and it will market the system's unique computer-based testing services to certifying and licensing agencies in both the private and public sectors. The NASD will retain responsibility for marketing the testing services to securities-related fields and banking.

"We are inextricably involved in the testing business and direct ownership of the network will enable us to better control costs as well as upgrade the technology and software that drive the system," said NASD President Joseph R. Hardiman. "In partnership with TRO, new opportunities to provide testing and certification in fields outside the securities industry will be explored."

"TRO feels a keen responsibility to provide the best possible products and services, and this reinforced relationship with the NASD will allow us to focus on expanding and enhancing service to our clients," said TRO Chairman William R. Roach. "We will aggressively explore new fields which can benefit from computer-based testing."

The NASD is the self-regulatory organization for NASDAQ and the over-the-counter securities markets. It has nearly 6,000 securities firms as members and over 425,000 securities industry professionals registered as representatives. It owns and operates the NASDAQ System, the automated communications facility for The NASDAQ Stock Market, the second largest equity market in the United States and one of the largest in the world.

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MAYNARD, MA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Equipment Corporation (NYSE: DEC) today enhanced its leadership VAX VMS line with the two additional capabilities users most want -- openness and better price/performance. The company announced increased support for open system standards on the VMS operating system, along with significant performance increases and price enhancements for three new VAX systems. At the same time, Digital announced its intention to incorporate RISC CPU technology into VAX VMS systems.

According to Kenneth H. Olsen, President of Digital Equipment Corporation, "The enormous popularity of the VAX computer over the past 13 years is due primarily to the software it runs. VAX VMS software provides leadership dependability, growth, networking, and software development. Openness and price/performance enhancements will give users strong incentives to move to the VAX VMS platform, or to add to their current VAX VMS installations. This announcement reflects Digital's growth-oriented posture."

The VMS operating system will provide support for key standards (POSIX) from the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), X/Open, and the Open Software Foundation (OSF). Digital also will apply for certification and "branding" of VMS by X/Open, the international standards consortium. The support for open systems standards will make VMS the operating system of choice for users who want application portability and full-function computing.

Today's announcement included major performance and price/ performance gains for three of its most popular systems -- the VAX 6000, VAXstation 3100, and MicroVAX 3100. The new VAX 6000 series of systems offers triple the I/O throughput of current VAX 6000 models by using RISC I/O technology. The new VAX 6000 model 500 systems offer 85 percent more CPU performance for only an 18 percent price increment, and the popular Models 410 and 310 are reduced in price by an average of 27 percent. A new model of the VAXstation 3100 workstation offers twice the performance of current VAXstation models for only $4,000 more. The new MicroVAX 3100 system offers 45 percent more performance at the same price as its predecessor.

Digital announced it intends to add support to the VMS operating system for the widely accepted Portable Operating System Interface (POSIX) standards of the IEEE. Next quarter, Digital will field-test the POSIX standards 1003.1, 1003.2, and 1003.4 on VMS systems, and will deliver all three simultaneously in 1991.

Digital also announced it intends to apply for certification and branding of the VMS operating system by X/Open, the non-profit consortium of many of the world's major information system suppliers. X/Open defines a Common Application Environment (CAE) based on defacto and international standards. The company will incorporate into VMS standards outlined by the latest version of the X/Open Portability Guide (XPG3), to receive X/Open base system branding. "X/Open is extremely enthusiastic and very supportive of Digital Equipment Corporation's strategy to brand VMS," said Geoff Morris, President of X/Open.

Digital also announced it intends to support key standards from OSF's Distributed Computing Environment (DCE) on VMS systems. The Distributed Computing Environment, a highly integrated set of technologies that address transparent computing in multivendor environments, is an integrated set of open systems technologies built in accordance with OSF compliance guidelines. Digital has already announced VMS support for OSF/Motif, OSF's industry-standard graphical user interface, and currently is shipping it to software developers.

Digital Equipment Corporation, headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Ellen Flahive-McIntyre has been promoted to publisher of Inside Media, the bi-weekly newspaper written for advertising agency and client media professionals.

The announcement was made by William Holiber, vice president and group publisher of Hanson Publishing, who said, "Ellen's presence and knowledge of the market Inside Media serves has been integral in our first year of success. Her leadership is exactly what's needed to add more momentum to the business of Inside Media in 1991 and beyond."

Flahive-McIntyre joined Inside Media in 1989 as advertising director. Before that, she was with Crain Communications, Inc., New York, as advertising director of City & State and eastern sales manager of Advertising Age.

An affiliate of Cowles Media, Hanson Publishing is the trade publisher of Inside Media, Folio:, Folio:'s Publishing News, Catalog Age and Direct.

Flahive-McIntyre and her husband, Terry McIntyre, reside in Manhattan.

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MELVILLE, NY (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Anchor Savings Bank, FSB (NASDAQ: ABKR), today reported net income for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $6.1 million before the accumulation of preferred stock dividends of $3.3 million as compared to a net loss of $12.4 million before preferred stock dividend payments of $3.3 million for the first quarter of last year. This amounted to net income per common share of $.16 for the first fiscal quarter of 1991 as compared to a net loss of $.89 per common share for the comparable prior-year quarter.

James M. Large, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "As anticipated in last quarter's earnings release, Anchor's upward earnings trend was temporarily halted in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 due to the negative earnings impact of the capital raising asset sales and mortgage servicing sales that occurred in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 and the excess liquidity being maintained in anticipation of closing the pending branch sales." Excluding the after-tax impact of gains on the sale of earning assets net core income for the quarter amounted to $1.0 million, down somewhat from the $1.9 million core income reported in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, but a marked improvement from the $12.3 million core loss reported in the comparable quarter last year.

During the quarter, Anchor continued the implementation of its capital plan and entered into sale contracts for three branches in New Jersey and one in Western New York. All but four offices in Georgia have been contracted for sale and letters of intent were entered into for the sale of six offices in Florida. Large commented, "The branch sale strategy has been our current focus, and progress continues albeit at a slower rate than originally anticipated."

Significant progress has also been achieved in qualifying the preferred stock as regulatory capital. On Sept. 25, 1990, the board of directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) approved a plan whereby the FSLIC Resolution Fund (FRF) would exchange the $157 million of Anchor's Class A cumulative preferred stock for a similar equity instrument of a holding

company to be formed. The sole purpose of this holding company would be to hold the capital stock issued by Anchor. When completed, this exchange will increase tangible capital of the bank by $157 million. The formation of a holding company requires the filing of a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission and approval of Anchor's common stockholders. This may well trigger a substantial adjustment in Anchor's existing goodwill amortization policies are not accepted by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Anchor believes that these policies which had been approved by the OTS' predecessor, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, are appropriate.

At Sept. 30, 1990, Anchor's tangible capital was a negative $141.4 million as compared with a deficit of $150.8 million at June 30, 1990. Assuming exchange of the preferred stock, Anchor would be in compliance with the required Sept. 30, 1990, capital levels as outlined in the capital plan with a positive tangible capital of $15.6 million at the end of the current quarter.

Large cautioned that while Anchor's core operating losses have been halted and excellent progress has been made during the last five fiscal quarters, it still has a long ways to go before it reaches its goal of becoming a fully profitable, well capitalized financial institution supporting its customers in the Northern New Jersey/Metropolitan New York markets. As in the past, he indicated that it would be some time before this goal was met and that until it had regained further strength, it remained vulnerable to changes in the economic environment.

First Quarter Fiscal 1991 Operating Statistics Net interest income amounted to $38.5 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 as compared to $29.3 million in the comparable prior year period, an increase of 31 percent. The net yield on average earnings assets amounted to 1.85 percent, a significant improvement from the 1.51 percent reported in the first quarter of last year. The decline of short term rates and the return of the yield curve to a more normal shape were the principal factors underlying the improvement. The cost of deposits declined to 7.51 percent in the current quarter from 8.04 percent in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

The total provision for credit losses amounted to $5.1 million for the current quarter as compared with $5.7 million in the comparable prior year period. Net loans charged off to the allowance for credit losses were $2.3 million in the current quarter as compared to $5.1 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Anchor's allowance for credit losses amounted to $24.3 million with non-accrual loans and real estate owned of $77.4 million or 0.84 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to the allowance for credit losses of $20.7 million and non-accrual loans and real estate owned of $79.7 million or 0.91 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1989. Large commented, "Anchor to date appears to be somewhat insulated from the real

estate loan problems afflicting many of the thrifts in the northeast due to its conservative underwriting standards and its current portfolio focus on 1 to 4 family loans; however, given the external environment, Anchor does not necessarily expect or predict that these low delinquency levels will continue to exist."

Gain on the sale of earnings assets, primarily mortgage backed securities and assets backed paper amounted to $6.0 million during the quarter as compared to $1.0 million in the comparable prior year period.

Mortgage banking income amounted to $3.5 million, down significantly from the $8.1 million earned in the comparable prior year quarter. This reduction was reflective of the sale of Residential Funding Corporation (RFC), a nationwide mortgage banking conduit, in the third quarter of fiscal 1990 and the sale of $1.5 billion in mortgage servicing rights in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990.

Other non-interest income increased $1.2 million to $4.8 million during the current quarter as compared to the first quarter of last year primarily as a result of increased deposit based fees and annuity commissions.

The aggressive cost control program instituted early in fiscal 1990 was largely responsible for the continuing decline in general and administrative expenses. First quarter 1991 expenses amounted to $35.8 million as compared to $41.0 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1990 which included $3.9 million of expenses associated with the operations of RFC. The cost reduction relates in large part to compensation and benefits, as the total full time equivalent employee count of Anchor was reduced to the 1,934 level on Sept. 30 1990. Anchor's staffing level was in excess of 3,200 in early fiscal 1989.

Goodwill amortization expense amounted to $3.5 million in the current quarter, down $2.1 million from the level existing in the comparable quarter of last year. This reduction was due to the write- off of $175.0 million in goodwill in the third quarter of fiscal 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, Anchor's total assets amounted to $9.2 billion, an increase of $0.1 billion from the prior fiscal year end. Growth was experienced in mortgage backed securities while money market investments and loans outstanding declined. Deposits increased $.1 billion in support of this asset growth.

Anchor Savings Bank is among the 25 largest U.S. thrifts with deposits of $7.4 billion at Sept. 30, 1990. It operates branches in four market areas: Metropolitan New York/New Jersey, upstate New York, Georgia and Florida.

ANCHOR SAVINGS BANK FSB AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(in thousands, except per share amounts)
(unaudited)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Interest income		
Loans receivable and loans held for sale:		
First mortgage loans	$50,809	$83,666
Cooperative apartment loans	13,790	17,269
Consumer and commercial loans	24,170	26,889
Mortgage-backed securities and mortgage-backed securities held for sale	88,744	61,503
Money market investments	24,784	9,056
Investment securities	4,773	3,477
Total interest income	207,070	201,860
Interest expense:		
Deposits	140,112	139,069
Borrowed funds & pref. stock of finance subsids.	28,450	33,445
Total interest expense	168,562	172,514
Net interest income	38,508	29,346
Provision for credit loss	(5,100)	(5,660)
Net interest inc. after prov. for credit losses	33,408	23,686
Non-interest income:		
Gain on sales of earning assets, net	6,018	999
Mortgage banking income	3,529	8,139
Other	4,779	3,597
Total non-interest income	14,326	12,735
Non-interest expense:		
General and administrative:		
Compensation and benefits	16,260	19,932
Occupancy and equipment	6,286	7,770
Federal deposit insurance premiums	3,701	3,505
Other	9,529	9,751
Total	35,776	40,958
Amortization of excess of cost over fair value of net assets acquired	3,508	5,579
Amortization of cost of loan servicing rights acq.	1,110	1,606
Total non-interest expense	40,394	48,143
Inc. (loss) bef. inc. tax exp. & extraord. item	7,340	(11,722)
Income tax expense	4,680	643
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	2,660	(12,365)
Extraordinary item -- federal income tax benefit of net operating loss carryforwards	3,403	---
Net income (loss)	6,063	(12,365)
Dividends on Class A preferred stock	3,318	3,257
Net income (loss) applicable to common stock	2,745	(15,622)
Income (loss) per common share:		
Loss before extraordinary item	$(0.04)	$(0.89)
Extraordinary item	0.20	---
Net income (loss)	0.16	(0.89)

Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition
(unaudited) (in thousands)

	9/30/90	6/30/89
Assets:		
Cash and due from banks	$107,913	$153,673
Money market investments	1,082,547	1,161,857
Loans & mortgage-backed securities held for sale	116,047	219,545
Investment securities	153,669	253,706
Mortgage-backed securities	3,970,639	3,526,075
Loans receivable:		
First mortgage loans	1,868,007	1,908,556
Cooperative apartment loans	519,148	530,199
Consumer and commercial loans	913,093	926,718
Less allowance for credit losses	(24,344)	(21,508)
Loans receivable, net	3,275,904	3,343,965
Accrued interest receivable	69,078	67,567
Premises and equipment	58,265	58,980
Excess of cost over fair value of net assets acq.	277,192	280,700
Cost of loan servicing rights acquired	24,798	25,747
Other assets	73,321	75,754
Total	9,209,373	9,147,569
Liabilities, preferred stock of finance subsidiaries and stockholders' equity		
Liabilities:		
Deposits	$7,449,414	$7,369,592
Borrowed funds	1,206,236	1,208,756
Mortgage escrow funds	52,032	48,044
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	58,907	84,309
Total	8,766,589	8,710,701
Preferred stock of finance subsidiaries	150,000	150,000
Stockholders equity:		
Preferred stock:		
Class A preferred stock, $1.00 par value; 3,140,000 shares authorized, issued and outstanding	3,140	3,140
Additional paid-in capital	153,860	153,860
Total preferred stock	157,000	157,000
Common stock: $1.00 par value, 70,000,000 shares authorized, issued and outstanding	17,595	17,595
Additional paid-in capital	174,535	174,535
Total common stock	192,130	192,130
Retained deficit	(52,512)	(58,575)
Net unrealized depreciation on certain marketable equity securities	(3,287)	(3,140)
Less treasury stock at cost (119,000 com. shares)	(547)	(547)
Total stockholders equity	292,784	286,868
Total	9,209,373	9,147,569

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GREENSBORO, NC (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Guilford Mills, Inc. (NYSE: GFD) today announced its operating results for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $119,584,000 and primary earnings per share before an extraordinary gain were $.34 as compared to sales of $132,449,000 and primary earnings per share of $.41 for the same period of fiscal 1990.

Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, including an extraordinary gain of $1,365,000, was $4,345,000 as compared to $4,065,000 for the corresponding period of last year.

The board of directors declared a dividend of $.20 per share payable on Nov. 20, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 9, 1990.

GUILFORD MILLS, INC. SUMMARY OF RESULTS

13 weeks ended:	Sept. 30, 1990	Oct. 1, 1989
Sales	$119,584,000	$132,449,000
Income before extraordinary item	2,980,000	4,065,000
Extraordinary item (A)	1,365,000	---
Net income	4,345,000	4,065,000
Primary income per share:		
Income before extraordinary item	$.34	$.41
Net income	.49	.41
Fully diluted income per share:		
Income before extraordinary item	.34	.41
Net income	.48	.41
Equivalent shares outstanding	8,817,000	9,864,000

(A) - Discount on re-purchase of convertible subordinated debentures (net of related income taxes).

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Tentation, one of the most successful caterers in New York, has been selected by Potel & Chabot, the largest and oldest caterer in France to be their American representative, it was announced today by Jean- Christophe Le Picart, and co-owner Emmanuel de Chaunac of Tentation.

The new affiliation will not only give Tentation and Potel & Chabot an exchange association between France and America, but through a Moscow

affiliate, will create the largest and only international catering business in the world.

Le Picart said that the new association "is a reflection of internationalization of both the business and private communities throughout the world. It has become very common for people and corporations in all parts of the universe to want to give both small and elaborate parties for many reasons all over the world. The new alliance between America, France and Russia will facilitate what has been up until now, a nightmare of logistics for those entertaining in foreign countries.

Tentation was founded in New York City in 1985 by two young Frenchman, Jean-Christophe Le Picart and Emmanuel de Chaunac. The collective experience in France in hotel and restaurant management and their commitment to maintaining the highest culinary standards have made Tentation a tremendous success with an extensive client list that includes a large majority of the biggest corporations based in New York -- including American Express, Merrill Lynch, AT&T, Citibank, Hermes, and Elizabeth Arden. These parties have numbered from small groups of four to gatherings literally ranging into the thousands.

Potel & Chabot began business in 1789 in France and was the direct result of the French Revolution. A man named Hilaire Germain Chevet, who was Marie Antoinette's gardener at the Tuileries in Paris at the time, decided it was time to get rid of his roses and vegetables and then started a boutique at the Palais Royal. His reputation spread and he was soon serving Talleyrand, Lazare Carnot, and Bonaparte. His sons successfully replaced him and quickly spread to England, Germany and Switzerland and just before being taken over by Potel & Chabot, catered the dinners for Gustave Eiffel for the opening of the Eiffel Tower in 1889.

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RICHMOND, VA. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Ethyl Corporation (NYSE: EY) today declared a quarterly dividend of 15 cents a share on the common stock of the corporation.

The board also declared a regular quarterly dividend of $1.50 a share on Ethyl's cumulative preferred, 6 percent Series A, stock.

Both dividends are payable January 1, 1991, to shareholders of record December 14.

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GRAYLING, MI (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation's independent power production unit, CMS Generation Company, and Grayling Development Partners today announced construction has begun on the Grayling Generating Station near Grayling. CMS Generation and Grayling Development Partners each hold a 50-percent ownership interest in the project.

Grayling Development Partners includes Primary Power, Inc. of Saginaw, Mich., and a subsidiary of Decker Energy International of Winter Park, Fla.

The 34-megawatt waste-wood-fueled cogeneration plant will sell electric generating capacity and energy to Consumers Power Company under a long-term contract, and up to 10,000 pounds per hour of industrial process steam to AJD Forest Products of Grayling for use in lumber-drying kilns. Completion of the plant, with a projected cost of over $60 million, is scheduled by fall 1992.

"The Grayling Generating Station represents an important addition to the growing CMS Generation family of independent power projects. We're pleased to be a partner in it," said James W. Cook, president and chief executive officer of CMS Generation. Cook added that the plant will benefit the Grayling area economy by adding 25 permanent operating jobs. During construction the project work force will reach 350 people.

"The Grayling project will provide much-needed generating capacity to meet Michigan's growing power needs," said Macauley Whiting Jr., president and chief executive officer of Decker Energy International.

"It will employ state-of-the-art environmental protection equipment to meet all applicable federal, state and local regulations, including the proposed new federal Clean Air Act. Because wood is an inherently clean fuel, the Grayling facility will be one of the most environmentally sound power plants in the United States," said Whiting.

Initial work on the project site in Grayling Township southeast of the City of Grayling began this week. Black & Veatch of Kansas City, Mo., is the prime contractor for the project's engineering, procurement and construction. Townsend & Bottum of Ann Arbor and Christman Co. of Lansing are constructing the facility under subcontract to Black & Veatch. CMS Generation will oversee construction and operate the plant under contract to the partnership.

CMS Energy's independent power activities are among the largest in the U.S., with ownership interests in five operating plants totaling about 1,500 megawatts of electricity.

Two additional plants are currently under construction, with several others in

various stages of development. CMS Energy's interests include a 49-percent ownership in The Oxford Energy Company, an American Stock Exchange (AMEX: OEN) company involved in developing tires-to-energy projects throughout the U.S.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermet Corp. (NASDAQ: INMT) today announced third quarter sales of $94.2 million, up 10 percent from the third quarter sales of 1989.

The sales increase brought a 37 percent rise in operating income, but higher effective tax rates and interest charges resulted in net income for the period of $203,000 ($0.01 per share), compared to $422,000 ($0.02 per share) achieved in the same period of the prior year.

"Our wholly owned domestic plants, which account for approximately 70 percent of our consolidated sales, registered a 165 percent gain in net profit on a 6 percent increase in sales, compared to the weak third quarter last year," George W. Mathews Jr., chairman and chief executive, explained. "That strong performance was offset by the losses that we continue to experience at our INTAT joint venture in Rushville, Indiana, and at our Ronneby, Sweden, plant. Although both these plants showed solid improvement over their results in the second quarter of this year, the effect of their losses is magnified on the bottom line by the fact that we cannot get a current tax deduction for them (although we are building a potentially valuable tax loss carryforward)."

Mathews said losses at the Indiana and Sweden plants reduced consolidated net income by about $0.16 in the 1990 third quarter, compared to about $0.06 in the third quarter of 1989 and $0.25 in the previous quarter of 1990.

For the first nine months of 1990, net sales were down 2 percent from the same period of 1989 to $296.3 million, while net income fell to $1.18 million ($0.06 per share) compared to $11.36 million ($0.53 per share) in the same period a year earlier.

The results are unaudited and subject to adjustment.

The Intermet board of directors today declared its regular quarterly dividend of $0.05 per share payable Nov. 21 to shareholders of record Nov. 8.

Atlanta-based Intermet Corp. and its subsidiaries, with foundries in six states and three foreign countries, manufacture precision iron parts for automotive and industrial customers in North America, Europe and Asia. Intermet is the world's leading independent manufacturer of iron castings.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S) announced that it filed today with the Securities and Exchange Commission a shelf registration statement for the issuance and sale from time to time of up to $1.0 billion of debt securities. The debt securities may be issued in one or more series.

Sears may sell debt securities to or through underwriters, and also may sell debt securities directly to other purchasers or through agents. Such underwriters may include Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, or may be a group of underwriters represented by firms including any or all such firms.

A registration statement relating to the debt securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. The debt securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sales of these securities in any states in which such offer, solicitation or sales would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

A copy of the prospectus, when available, may be obtained from Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., 2 World Trade Center, New York, N.Y. 10048; Goldman, Sachs & Co., Prospectus Department, 85 Broad Street, New York, N.Y. 10004; or Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, Prospectus Department, 1251 Avenue of the Americas New York, N.Y. 10020.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - National Cooperative Bank (NCB) reported net income of $4 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 12.6 percent from the same period last year.

For the first nine months net income was $11.6 million, an increase of 10.6 percent from last year. Total assets were $437.5 million, an increase of 1.7 percent from Dec. 31, 1989, and an 8.1 percent increase from Sept. 30, 1989.

During the first nine months of 1990, loans increased 3.8 percent to $388.2 million or 12.5 percent from a year ago. For the first nine months real estate loans increased 22.1 percent to $160.3 million while commercial loans decreased 6.1 percent to 227.9 million. Loans serviced for outside investors increased 14.3 percent to $494.4 million at Sept. 30, 1990, from year-end 1989.

In the first nine months deposits increased 62.9 percent to $31.6 million at Sept. 30, 1990. Most of the deposit growth was from sales of certificates of deposits to NCB member cooperatives. Charles E. Snyder, chief financial officer, stated: "NCB members provide a growing source of funding for NCB which helps to diversify liabilities. With asset sales and the addition of various other funding sources, short-term draws on NCB's line of credit account for only 13 percent of total funding. NCB was adversely impacted by the recent turmoil in the commercial paper market and subsequently sought other sources of funds. We have positioned ourselves so that we have adequate funding sources through 1991.

Credit quality in the third quarter improved as the level of non-performing loan decreased. Non-performing loans were $9 million, or 2.3 percent of loans outstanding, as compared to $13.7 million, or 3.8 percent at year-end 1989. The allowance for credit losses at Sept. 30, 1990, was $5.9 million or 1.5 percent of loans or 65.2 percent of non-performing loans. Non-performing loans as a percent of equity decreased to 8.9 percent. The provision for credit losses was $1.3 million or 33 basis points of average loans outstanding.

Non-interest income for the first nine months was $2.6 million up 92.8 percent from the prior year. Approximately 50 percent of the increase in non-interest income was attributable to one-time gains from sale of loans, real estate owned and investment securities.

Non-interest expense increased 11 percent to $11.6 million. Increases in salary expense and depreciation of new computer hardware and software were the main contributing factors.

National Cooperative Bank, based in Washington, provides mortgage banking, commercial lending, capital markets and depository services to cooperative enterprises nationwide, serving cooperatives and their members through these related companies: NCB Business Credit Corp.; NCB Capital Corp.; NCB Capital Markets, Inc.; NCB Development Corp.; NCB Mortgage Corp.; and NCB Savings Association.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Cooper Companies, Inc. (NYSE: COO) has acquired substantially all of the assets of Spectra Pharmaceutical Services,

Inc., it was announced today by Gary A. Singer and Bruce D. Sturman, co-chairmen of The Cooper Companies, Inc.

Included in the transaction, completed by the company's CooperVision operating division, are Spectra's I-Scrub and Lipo-Tears products together with the related trademarks, patents and proprietary technologies.

"This acquisition, consistent with our corporate growth strategy in health care for the 1990s, builds upon our core business of contact lenses in the U.S. and Canada, and also positions our growing health care group in the ophthalmic pharmaceutical field," Sturman said.

I-Scrub is a hypo-allergenic cleanser used to treat topical conditions and blepharitis (chronic disease of the eye and surrounding peri-ocular area). Lipo-Tears, the only non-aqueous ocular tear lubricant on the market, is used as a eye-drop remedy for the temporary relief of Sjogrens' Syndrome ("dry eye").

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed. The Cooper Companies, Inc. develops, manufactures and markets optometric and ophthalmic products in the United States and Canada through its CooperVision subsidiary.

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MAYNARD, MASS. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - In an announcement aimed at positioning Digital Equipment Corporation (NYSE: DEC) as a recognized leader in the world of Open Systems, the company today outlined its plans to make the VMS operating system compliant with IEEE's POSIX interfaces, and the X/Open Portability Guide (XPG3) through X/Open branding. At the same time, the company reaffirmed its strategic commitment to the Open Software Foundation by announcing VMS support of key elements of the OSF Distributed Computing Environment. The company previously announced VMS support for the OSF/Motif user interface, and now is shipping it to software developers. Digital's UNIX-based systems are already compliant with these open standard interfaces.

"This is the strongest statement we can make to current and future customers about our ability to deliver Open Systems. Our strategic platforms are based on recognized industry standard interfaces and will offer customers a level of application portability, interoperability, and multivendor integration that will be difficult for competitors to match," said John F. Smith, Digital's senior vice president of Operations.

"For many years Digital has excelled at selling one system from desktop to data center -- VAX VMS," said Kenneth H. Olsen, president of Digital Equipment

Corporation. "Our focus on selling one architecture, and our outstanding success with it, have caused some people in the industry to wonder if we are really serious about UNIX. On the other hand, some other people wonder if UNIX is our new one architecture, and we will eventually stop selling VAX VMS. Both viewpoints are wrong. We are an Open Systems company, with open standards spanning our VAX VMS and UNIX lines."

"Industry standards are the key to our strategy," observed Domenic J. LaCava, Digital's vice president of UNIX-based Software and Systems. "All the enhancements we're making to VMS today are compatible with major open systems initiatives, including OSF, X/Open, and IEEE, all of which are supported by all major computing vendors. Because we build to industry standards, users can choose with confidence the right systems for their application needs, knowing that the investments they make in both VAX-based systems and Digital's UNIX-based systems today will stand the test of time," LaCava added.

Digital Equipment Corporation, headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - John R. Stafford, chairman and chief executive officer of American Home Products Corporation (NYSE: AHP) announced today that Louis L. Hoynes Jr. has been named the company's senior vice president and general counsel, effective Nov. 1.

Hoynes, 55, was formerly a senior partner and member of the executive committee of Willkie Farr and Gallagher, the New York law firm with which he has been associated since 1962. He succeeds Charles F. Hagan, acting general counsel.

During his career with Willkie Farr, Hoynes was active in both corporate law and litigation. He is perhaps best known for his work as general counsel to The National League of Professional Baseball Clubs, a post he held since 1970, including successfully representing Major League Baseball in several important court cases. He has served as an outside counsel to American Home Products for more than 15 years and played an important role in the company's acquisition of A.H. Robins in 1989.

"After many years of benefiting from Lou's wise counsel, we are delighted to have convinced him to become part of our management team so we can draw on his formidable talents full time," Stafford said.

Hoynes commented: "I have had the pleasure of working with American Home Products for a number of years and have gained a great deal of respect for Jack Stafford and his entire organization. This is a unique and challenging new opportunity with a special company. I look forward to contributing to its continuing success."

Hoynes received his A.B. from Columbia University in 1957 and his J.D., cum laude, from Harvard University in 1962. He has three children and three stepchildren and resides with his wife, Virginia, in Sands Point, N.Y.

American Home Products is a worldwide manufacturer and marketer of prescription drugs and medical supplies, packaged medicines and food products.

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JACKSONVILLE, FLA. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Operating earnings for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were reported today by American Heritage Life Investment Corporation (NYSE: AHL).

Earnings from operations, excluding net realized investment gains, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $3,316,865, up 12.6 percent from the $2,945,409 for the same period in 1989. This represents $.56 per share for the third quarter of 1990 vs. $.49 for the third quarter of 1989.

Net earnings in the third quarter reached $3,320,811, up 13.6 percent from the $2,923,165 for the same period last year. On a per share basis, net earnings were $.56 compared to $.49 last year.

Earnings from operations, excluding net realized investment gains, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $10,059,416, up 12.6 percent from the $8,936,377 for the same period in 1989. This represents $1.69 per share for the first nine months of 1990 vs. $1.49 for the same period last year.

Net earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $10,133,433, up 11.5 percent from the $9,092,207 for the same period in 1989. On a per share basis, net earnings were $1.70 compared to $1.52 last year.

Total income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $166,055,983 compared to $150,798,474 for the same period last year, up 10.1 percent.

The company's assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $656,409,388 compared to $591,359,229 at Sept. 30, 1989; equity per share at Sept. 30, 1990 was $18.93 compared to $17.28 at Sept. 30, 1989.

At the board of directors meeting today, the company declared three $.085 monthly dividends, payable Nov. 23, Dec. 21, 1990 and Jan. 25, 1991, to shareholders of record on Nov. 12, Dec. 10, 1990 and Jan. 14, 1991, respectively.

American Heritage Life Investment Corporation is a life insurance-oriented holding company, based in Jacksonville, Fla., whose principal subisdiary is American Heritage Life Insurance Company.

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LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Tambrands Inc. (NYSE: TMB) announced today that it has signed an agreement to sell its Long Island headquarters facility to Astoria Federal Savings of Jackson Heights, Queens. The closing of the transaction is scheduled to take place in the fourth quarter of 1990. Tambrands will continue to occupy the facility under lease from Astoria Federal until Tambrands moves to a new headquarters in Westchester County in 1991. Financial terms of the transaction are not being disclosed.

Martin F.C. Emmett, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Tambrands, said, "The sale of our headquarters facility is an important step in the restructuring program we announced in December 1989. Our workforce reductions and our sales of operations unrelated to our core Tampax business have made it appropriate for us to relocate to a smaller facility. We are pleased that Astoria Federal is able to take advantage of our current location. Their presence will be a great asset to Nassau County."

Tambrands' planned move to Westchester County will improve access to the company's Technical Center in Palmer, Mass., and the company's existing manufacturing plants in New England and upstate New York. By relocating to a smaller facility, Tambrands also will reduce its operating expenses and increase its cash resources. The company has not yet finalized its choice of a site in Westchester County.

Tambrands is a multinational manufacturer and marketer of personal care products, including Tampax(R) tampons and Maxithins(R) sanitary pads.

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MAUMEE, OHIO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of TRINOVA

Corporation (NYSE: TNV) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 17 cents per share on its common stock, payable on Dec. 14, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

TRINOVA has paid dividends continuously on its common stock since 1933. TRINOVA -- through Aeroquip Corporation and Vickers, Incorporated -- supplies power and motion control systems and components and custom-engineered plastic products to the industrial, transportation and aerospace/defense markets.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Third-quarter share earnings of Cooper Industries Inc. (NYSE: CBE) increased to 72 cents, 11 percent higher than the 65 cents reported in the third quarter of 1989.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income rose to $92.7 million on revenues of $1.5 billion, compared with net income of $68.1 million on revenues of $1.3 billion in the 1989 third quarter.

Net income for the first nine months of this year grew to $252.3 million or $1.94 a share, compared with $177.9 million or $1.71 a fully diluted share in the same period of 1989. Revenues rose to $4.6 billion from $3.7 billion in the same period of 1989.

Chairman and President Robert Cizik said demand for the company's products has been mixed. Energy markets have continued to improve, resulting in increased orders for oil and natural gas production and transmission equipment. On the other hand, growth in sales of electrical and automotive products has levelled off as the economy has weakened. The prolonged depression in the homebuilding industry has adversely affected sales of tools and hardware and electrical power equipment.

The notable rise in earnings resulted primarily from the improvement in the oil and gas markets. Additional increases came from operating improvements in several businesses, Cizik said. Greater sales volume, better product prices and improved plant efficiencies contributed to significant earnings growth in the Petroleum & Industrial Equipment segment. Efforts to refocus and reposition the automotive aftermarket businesses added to third-quarter earnings and will provide a foundation for further improvement.

Manufacturing improvement and cost management programs continue throughout the company's operations, Cizik explained. Gains from these kinds of investments have become a reliable contributor to Cooper's earnings growth.

"Despite growing signs that the economy is weakening, we expect stable demand

to continue for most of our products, because many of them are used in essential maintenance, repair and replacement applications," Cizik said. "In addition, our diversification program over the past 20 years has resulted in a balance among our markets that permits steady earnings growth."

Benefits from the integration of acquisitions and changes within the automotive aftermarket business should contribute to Cooper's future earnings growth. Energy-related businesses also should provide a boost as those markets recover further. "Stable revenues and increased earnings will enable us to continue investing in cost improvement programs while we profit from similar actions taken in the past," Cizik concluded.

Cooper Industries, with 1989 revenues of $5.1 billion, is a diversified, worldwide manufacturer of electrical products, electrical power equipment, tools and hardware, automotive products, and petroleum and industrial equipment.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Income Fund today declared its November dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.07 per share on the common stock will be paid Nov. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 7, 1990.

The American Government Income fund is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.4 billion under management as of Sept. 28, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated (NASDAQ: PIPR), an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - UAL Corporation (NYSE: UAL) -- the holding company whose primary subsidiary is United Airlines -- today reported third quarter net earnings of $106.1 million or $4.87 per share of common stock, which compare to third quarter 1989 net earnings of $110.9 million or $5.11 per share.

UAL Corporation's third quarter operating revenues were $2.97 billion versus third quarter 1989 revenues of $2.58 billion. Revenue passenger miles were up 11.8 percent while yield (passenger revenue per mile flown) was up 4.2 percent

to 12.14 cents. Third quarter operating expenses were $2.84 billion versus third quarter 1989 expenses of $2.45 billion. Third quarter operating earnings of $129.0 million compare to $131.8 million in third quarter 1989.

Included in nonoperating income is a gain of $93 million on the disposition of property, principally four B727-100, seven DC8 and one DC10-10 aircraft, compared to similar gains of $45.8 million recorded in the third quarter of 1989. This gain is partially offset by $30 million in expenses incurred in connection with the buyout proposal, which was terminated on Oct. 9.

UAL Corporation Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Stephen M. Wolf commented, "In response to the rapid rise of jet fuel in the third quarter, United's average price per gallon of fuel rose to 73.0 cents from 61.3 cents last year. Moreover, we expect the average price to be significantly higher in the fourth quarter as the full effect of current increases are felt and as the demand for home heating oil rises with the onset of winter.

"We are very concerned about the effects of these increases on United's earnings and continue to scrutinize all expenses closely."

Wolf went on to say, "This quarter, United took delivery of 20 new aircraft while retiring nine less fuel-efficient aircraft, bringing our fleet to a total of 455, up 8 percent from year ago.

"As we continue to expand our operation worldwide, we are realizing the benefits of a younger and more modern fleet. For example, our new Boeing 737-300s burn an average 560 fewer gallons of fuel per hour than the B727-100s they have replaced. That translates into significant savings per aircraft; in the third quarter, fuel consumption was up only 9 percent while capacity increased nearly 14 percent. And, in today's environment, fuel efficiency is critical."

Commenting on the balance sheet and the current economics of the business, Wolf noted, "We are in a period of economic uncertainty with high and volatile fuel costs and a softening economy, seriously impacting all airlines. Fourth quarter projections for the industry are nothing short of alarming. We are, however, comforted in knowing that UAL's conservative balance sheet is one of the strongest in the industry. As of the end of the quarter, we had total debt, including short-term borrowings and capital lease obligations, of $1.8 billion. With equity of $1.8 billion and cash and cash equivalents of $1.6 billion, we feel United is well positioned to weather any economic and industry storm."

United flew 21.6 billion revenue passenger miles in the third quarter of 1990. Available seat miles were up 13.7 percent to 30.6 billion. Passenger load factor of 70.8 percent was down 1.1 points from 71.9 percent in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, UAL Corporation had operating revenues of $8.23 billion versus $7.43 billion in the same period last year. Operating earnings of $260.3 million compare to $496.2 million in 1989. Net earnings of $218.0 million compare to $317.4 million for the first nine months of 1989.

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#90298p9515 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - FLS Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FLSH), parent company of Florida Steel Corporation, reported consolidated net sales for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $534.5 million and net income of $8.0 million compared with net sales of $532.4 million and net income of $13.1 million for the year ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Consolidated net sales for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $135.4 million and the net loss for the quarter was $804,000. Net sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, were $144.4 million and the net income for the same quarter was $4.5 million. Net sales for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, were higher vs. a year ago as a result of increased tons of steel products shipped.

The impact of these increased shipments, however, was reduced by lower average unit selling prices. Although tons shipped in the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were higher than the comparable quarter in 1989, the lower selling prices more than offset the effect of the increased tons shipped in the quarter.

Competitive pricing pressures, and the continued high cost of scrap are the primary causes of the lower operating income. Operating results for the 1990 fiscal year were also negatively impacted by start-up costs in the first quarter associated with the completed modernization and expansion of the Charlotte Steel Mill melting facility and the additional costs at the Tampa Mill during the modernization of the melt shop in the fourth quarter.

These additional costs at the Tampa Mill are expected to continue into the next quarter when the project should be completed. The 1990 fiscal year included approximately $1.1 million of amortization of deferred financing costs vs. approximately $6.2 million for the 1989 fiscal year.

FLS HOLDINGS INC.

	Year Ended Sept. 30,		Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$534,497,201	$532,436,724	$135,424,092	$144,414,664

Income from Operations	$54,247,164	$70,953,234	$ 8,698,064	$ 18,279,801
Interest and Amortization of Deferred Financing Costs	$ 39,792,526	$ 48,282,099	$ 9,637,276	$ 10,664,668
Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes	$ 14,454,638	$ 22,671,135	$ (939,212)	$ 7,615,133
Net Income (Loss)	$ 8,032,638	$ 13,114,135	$ (804,212)	$ 4,493,133
Finished Tons Shipped	1,329,005	1,224,644	349,222	331,516

FLS Holdings Inc., a Delaware Holding company, owns 100 percent of the outstanding common stock of Florida Steel Corporation. Florida Steel Corporation is the sole investment and source for income of FLS Holdings Inc.

Florida Steel Corporation is a Tampa-based steelmaker consisting of five electric steel mills, 15 reinforcing steel fabricating plants, two reinforcing steel epoxy coating facilities, a post-tension facility, a hollow metal door and hardware operation, a subsidiary producing railroad track spikes, a subsidiary producing welded wire fabric and nails, and a transportation division.

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#90298p9516 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

SIMSBURY, CONN (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Kollmorgen Corporation (NYSE: KOL) today declared the regular quarterly dividend of $.08 per share on the common stock. The dividend is payable on Dec. 4, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 20.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that Michael Anthony Jewelers, Inc. of Mount Vernon, N.Y., began trading 5,981,000 common shares today.

Michael Anthony Jewelers is a jewelry products company that designs, manufactures and markets handcrafted 14 karat gold jewelry throughout the

United States. The company previously traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "MAJL." Trading under the ticker symbol "MAJ," the common stock opened on 2,000 shares at 2-5/8.

Michael Anthony Jewelers' product lines are based on company designs and offer customers a variety of styles of charms and pendants, chains, rings, watches, bracelets, earrings, bangle bracelet tubing, and other items.

The company's jewelry is marketed by more than 10,000 retail outlets including wholesalers, retail and department stores and chains, catalogue showrooms, mass merchandisers, and video home shopping clubs.

In July, Michael Anthony Jewelers' wholly owned subsidiary acquired the DBA Jardinay Division of Berisford International PLC Group. The DBA Jardinay Division realized sales exceeding $40 million in its two most recent fiscal years.

Michael Anthony Jewelers reported net income of $2,206,000, or $.44 per share, on revenues of $85,388,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, compared with net income of $659,000, or $.13 per share, on revenues of $95,468,000 for the prior year.

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MINNETONKA, MINN. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Investors Savings Corp. (NASDAQ: INVS) reported after tax earnings for the September quarter of $408,000 or $.18 per share, compared to $377,000 or $.16 per share, for the September 1989 quarter according to James M. Burkholder, president. For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 after tax earnings were $1,574,000 or $.68 per share, compared to $1,036,000 or $.44 per share for the nine month period last year.

Net interest income, after the provision for loan loss reserves, increased 53 percent from the same period last year to $3.1 million. Other income decreased 13 percent to $1.8 million during the quarter, compared to the same period the previous year. The bank's net interest rate margin increased to 246 basis points, a 69 basis point increase from the September quarter last year. Average interest-earning assets increased by 12 percent to $560 million for the quarter compared to the same quarter last year.

The bank increased its loan loss and real estate loss reserves during the quarter by $320,000 to $1.5 million, a 69 percent increase in loan loss reserves from Sept. 30, 1989. The bank's loan loss and real estate reserves have recently been reviewed by the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in conjunction with a regularly scheduled examination of the bank. No material reserve adjustments have been

required as a result of these examinations.

Residential mortgage loan originations were $120 million, up 2 percent; mortgage loans purchased through the correspondent department totaled $22 million, up from $15 million; and loan application volume was $149 million, down 8 percent from the September quarter last year. Mortgage loan and loan servicing sales totaled $118 million and $51 million, respectively, compared with $94 million and $36 million, respectively, for the same quarter last year. Deposits ended the quarter at $509 million, a $24 million increase for the period, and $54 million above the September 1989 total.

Investors Savings Corp. is a savings and loan holding company whose principal asset is Investors Savings Bank, F.S.B., a federally chartered savings bank with seven savings offices and six residential mortgage production offices in the Twin Cities and three residential mortgage production offices in Chicago.

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#90298p9524 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Astrocom Corporation (NASDAQ/NMS: ACOM) today reported net income of $54,000 or $.02 per share for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues were $1,672,000 in the third quarter, up 28 percent from revenues of $1,302,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The company had a net loss in the third quarter of 1989 of $393,000 or $.15 per share.

For the first nine months, Astrocom had a net income of $119,000 or $.04 per share on revenues of $4,742,000. This compares with a net loss of $1,013,000 or $.38 per share on revenues of $4,078,000 in the first nine months of last year.

Stephen C. O'Hara, chief executive officer, commented: "Our business is growing steadily with an increasing backlog of orders. New tariffs favorable to Fractional T1 along with growing demand for video conferencing and LAN networking have resulted in growing requirements for our NX product family.

Astrocom Corporation designs, manufacturers and markets advanced digital communications equipment for the data transmission needs of corporations and other large organizations. Astrocom multiplexers and data sets provide cost-effective, long-distance communications via digital public data networks. In a local environment, Astrocom fiber optic and coaxial multiplexers support a broad range of different manufacturers' networks.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - John Schofield has been named senior vice president for sales and marketing of Telex Communications Inc. Commensurately, he also became a corporate officer and was named to the company's executive committee. Most recently he was vice president of the Airline Systems Business Group of the Memorex Telex Corp. Tulsa, Okla.

Schofield, a native Australian earned a BSEE from NSW Institute of Technology in Sydney. He worked as a HF radio and telephone systems engineer for the Australian Overseas Telecommunications Commission. He then held a variety of sales, marketing and general management positions in Australia, Europe and the United States for Raytheon Data Systems and subsequently the Memorex Telex organizations.

Telex Communications President, Jeffrey S. Wetherell, said that Schofield's technical background and extensive experience in international marketing and managing of high growth business are essential to the company's strategic objectives.

James S. Arrington, who previously held the senior marketing position, has opted for a transitional role to retirement. He will continue as vice president and work with Wetherell on special projects and maintain important customer relations with high profile accounts such as the NFL. He will also serve in an advisory capacity for sales and marketing strategies.

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#90298p9526 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Carter- Wallace, Inc. (NYSE: CAR) today declared cash dividends for this quarter for both the common stock and the Class B shares.

The cash dividend for each common share will be 23 cents, payable on Nov. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 8, 1990.

The cash dividend for each Class B share will also be 23 cents, payable on Nov. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 8, 1990.

Carter-Wallace, Inc. markets toiletries, proprietary drugs, diagnostic specialties, pharmaceuticals and pet products.

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#90298p9528 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc.-1995 today declared its November dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.077 per share on the common stock will be paid Nov. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 7, 1990.

The American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc.-1995 is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.4 billion under management as of Sept. 28, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated (NASDAQ: PIPR), an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90298p9530 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
SOUTHFIELD, MI (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Dennis J. Gormley, chairman and chief executive officer of Federal-Mogul Corporation (NYSE: FMO) today reported third-quarter earnings of 17 cents a share.

Gormley said sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $274.3 million compared to $250.2 million in the same 1989 quarter. This represents an increase of nearly 10 percent over the depressed level of sales in the third quarter of 1989. The increase is due to improved international aftermarket sales, a 22-percent increase in the sales of fastening systems and moderate sales growth in the original equipment sector as compared to the prior year. Also contributing to the improvement was a 6-percent increase in domestic aftermarket sales as a result of lighting product lines acquired from the R.E. Dietz Co. earlier this year.

Earnings available for common shares amounted to $3.8 million or 17 cents a share for the 1990 third quarter compared with $5.1 million or 22 cents a share in the same 1989 quarter. The decline of 5 cents a share is primarily the result of high sourcing costs from the prior owner of Dietz and start-up costs as Federal-Mogul integrates these lighting products into its manufacturing and distribution operations.

Sales for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, reached $844 million compared with $833.8 million in the same period of 1989. The 1989 amount included $32.0 million of sales from two business units which were sold during that period. Excluding those divestitures, sales for the 1990 nine-month period reflect a 5-percent increase over the previous year.

Earnings available for common shares during the first nine months of 1990 were $13.2 million or 59 cents a share. For the same 1989 period, earnings were $28.4 million or $1.22 a share which included a $5.3 million or 23 cents a

share after-tax net gain from reorganization activities.

FEDERAL-MOGUL CORPORATION
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
Quarter and Nine Months Ended Sept. 30
(Thousands of dollars, except per-share data)

	Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$274,340	$250,225	$844,005	$833,773
Earnings before income taxes	$8,815	$10,304	$29,037	$53,519
Income taxes	3,800	3,966	12,300	22,166
Net earnings	5,015	6,338	16,737	31,353
Preferred stock dividends	1,195	1,195	3,585	2,988
Net earnings available for common and equivalent shares	$3,820	$5,143	$13,152	$28,365(a)
Earnings per common and equivalent share				
Primary	$.17	$.22	$.59	$1.22(a)
Fully diluted	$.17	$.22	$.58	$1.16(a)
Average no. of common and equivalent shares	22,309,733	22,963,390	22,314,659	23,337,246

(a) Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, included $8,310,000 or 36 cents a share representing a gain from disposition of certain businesses net of a charge of $3 million or 13 cents a share related to reorganization activities.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines today announced it has substantially expanded its fuel conservation task force to help reduce skyrocketing fuel expenses.

Although the price of jet fuel has abated in recent days, in mid-October Continental's fuel costs were more than double what they were in the early summer. With a monthly fuel bill that is about $80 million more than was anticipated, fuel has become the airline's largest single expense.

"Our fuel conservation task force is redoubling its efforts to take us to the next level of efficiency, identifying additional opportunities beyond the practices we already employ to conserve fuel," said Lewis Jordan, executive

vice president and system general manager. "The task force is setting new goals for cutting fuel consumption, recognizing that every measurable reduction will translate into significant savings for the company."

Based on its annual usage of more than 1.3 billion gallons and a current price of about $1.20 per gallon, Continental would save nearly $16 million by burning one percent less fuel.

The task force includes representatives from the airline's flight operations, technical operations and customer services divisions.

While Continental pilots already practice fuel conservation techniques under an innovative fuel gainsharing incentive program, the company believes a thorough review of all operating practices will yield additional valuable savings. The task force will examine changes as small as removing unneeded weight from cabins and galleys on its domestic aircraft, since over time every pound increases total fuel burn.

Ground equipment conversion to alternative fuel sources is being considered. The cost of power back versus push back is being reevaluated and the use of ground power to replace the use of on-board auxiliary power units is being analyzed. In some cases, the purchase of ground equipment may result in very fast return on investment through fuel savings. Even aerodynamic cleanliness, aircraft wash programs and tire tread depth will be considered. "Because of the value of fuel savings no stone will be left unturned," added Jordan.

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#90298p9532 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Alcan Aluminium Limited (NYSE: AL) today declared a quarterly dividend of 28 cents, in U.S. funds, per common share, payable on Dec. 20, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 20, 1990.

There are currently approximately 223.8 million common shares outstanding.

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#90298p9536 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. car and truck production this week is scheduled at 225,873 units, up 9.3 percent from last week's actual output of 206,579, Ward's Automotive Reports said. This week's scheduled production also is 3.0 percent higher than same-week 1989's build of 219,390.

According to Ward's, this week's planned U.S. car production is 147,513 units, which brings the calendar 1990-to-date total to 5,200,013, equal to 90 percent of last year's same-date output of 5,775,549.

U.S. truck output this week is estimated at 78,360, up slightly from last week's 76,274, and 7 percent above year-ago's 73,242, Ward's reported. Estimated year-to-date truck output through the end of this week is 3,249,323 units, 95.3 percent of like-1989's 3,410,003.

Of this week's estimated U.S. car output, General Motors Corp.'s share is 44.7 percent; Ford Motor Co., 24.0 percent; Chrysler Corp., 10.1 percent; Honda of America Mfg. Inc., 6.2 percent; Mazda Motor Mfg. (USA) Corp., 3.3 percent; Toyota Motor Mfg. USA Inc., 3.1 percent; New United Motor Mfg. Inc., 2.9 percent; Diamond-Star Motors Corp., 2.8 percent; Nissan Motor Mfg. Corp., 2.2 percent; and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc., 0.7 percent.

NORTH AMERICAN FACTORY PRODUCTION

	This Week Estimated	Last Week Revised	Same Week Last Year	To Date 1990	To Date 1989	Pct. Change 1990 vs.1989
U.S.						
Cars	147,513	130,305	146,148	5,200,013	5,775,549	-9.97%
Trucks	78,360	76,274	73,242	3,249,323	3,410,003	-4.71%
TOTAL	225,873	206,579	219,390	8,449,336	9,185,552	-8.01%
Canada						
Cars	25,950	21,134	23,945	896,912	832,641	7.72%
Trucks	18,747	19,286	19,760	719,986	794,612	-9.39%
TOTAL	44,697	40,420	43,705	1,616,898	1,627,253	-0.64%
U.S./Canada						
Cars	173,463	151,439	170,093	6,096,925	6,608,190	-7.74%
Trucks	97,107	95,560	93,002	3,969,309	4,204,615	-5.60%
GRAND TOTAL	270,570	246,999	263,095	10,066,234	10,812,805	-6.90%

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#90298p9538 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANASSAS, VA. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Memory Sciences Corporation (MSC) of Manassas, Va., has received an order from Computer Sciences Corporation for $190,000 worth of MSC's FASTOR(R) solid state memory storage.

CSC will use the FASTOR memory system to increase its productivity on an Ada development project.

FASTOR is a solid state memory storage system manufactured by MSC and used to increase productivity on IBM, Amdahl and DEC mainframe computers. FASTOR makes it possible to access data from memory at one millionth of a second

speed as opposed to magnetic disk storage which requires many thousands of a second.

Because of the compilations and linkage of Ada code, Ada is highly I/O intensive in that it requires fast execution of a large number of access operations. MSC estimates that a one hour Ada program compilation can be run in 20 minutes using FASTOR.

MSC President, Douglass M. Parnell, said that this is the second time CSC will install FASTOR to accelerate the development of a system using Ada as the programming language.

"Input/output has been a major bottleneck in computer productivity," Parnell said. "Only about 30 records per second can be retrieved from a disk. But FASTOR moves data 500 percent to 100 percent faster than disk. High activity files such as systems disk files, application code, paging files, electronic mail, and data base management systems are ideal candidates for this all-electronic storage media.

FASTOR's ability to store and retrieve random records 65 times faster than conventional disk drive storage frees up CPU time, reduces wait time for work station users and increases staff productivity.

Memory Sciences Corporation is located at 9028 Prince William Street, Manassas Virginia 22110, Telephone (703) 361-9745.

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-30- 2059

#90298p9539 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Opportunity Income Fund today declared its November dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.083 per share on the common stock will be paid Nov. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 7, 1990.

The American Opportunity Income Fund is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.4 billion under management as of Sept. 28, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated (NASDAQ: PIPR), an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90298p9540 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
AUSTIN, TEXAS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific Measurement Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: SCMS) reported net earnings of $289,000 or 2 cents per share on revenues of $6,363,000 for fiscal year 1990, which ended July 31.

For the prior fiscal year (1989), the maker of advanced X-ray quality inspection equipment posted profits of $311,000 or 2 cents per share on revenues of $5,560,000.

FY 1990 was the company's second consecutive profitable year. During the year the company delivered a record number of CITA(TM) Industrial cat scan systems (six), two of which were to foreign customers. The company also delivered its first process control gauge to Bethlehem Steel's Sparrows Point, Md. facility, where it is being operated on the hot sheet steel line.

CONTACT: Dr. Larry Secrest, president and CEO, 512-837-4712, or George Edwards, vice president, 512-837-4712, both of Scientific Measurement Systems, Inc.

-30- 1097

#90298p9543 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Term Trust (NYSE: AGT) today declared its November dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.08 per share on the common stock will be paid Nov. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 7, 1990.

The American Government Term Trust is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.4 billion under management as of Sept. 28, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated (NASDAQ: PIPR), an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90298p9545 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Income Portfolio (NYSE: AAF) today declared its November dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.0885 per share on the common stock will be paid Nov. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 7, 1990.

The American Government Income Portfolio is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than

$3.4 billion under management as of Sept. 28, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated (NASDAQ: PIPR), an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90298p9546 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROANOKE, VA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Appalachian Power Company today announced that it will request Nov. 8 that the Industrial Development Authority of Russell County, Va., redeem two entire series of Pollution Control Revenue Bonds, subject to the issuance of a new series of bonds.

If the authority, as presently expected, issues $17,500,000 aggregate principal amount of 7.70 percent Pollution Control Revenue Bonds (Appalachian Power Company Project), Series G on April 8, the authority will then act to redeem on Dec. 15, 1990 its entire $11,000,000 outstanding 9-1/8 percent Pollution Control Revenue Bonds (Appalachian Power Company Project), Series C, dated Nov. 1, 1979 and due Nov. 1, 2009, and that it redeem on Feb. 1, 1991 its entire $6,500,000 outstanding 11-1/2 percent Pollution Control Revenue Bonds (Appalachian Power Company Project), Series E, dated Feb. 1, 1981 and due Feb. 1, 2006. Such redemptions would be effected through application of the proceeds of the Series G Bonds together with other funds provided by the company.

The redemption price for the Series C and E Bonds will be 102.5 percent and 103 percent, respectively, of their respective principal amounts, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, to be paid upon presentation.

The action is being taken under terms of the indenture under which the Series C and E Bonds were issued, which permit the authority to redeem such bonds prior to maturity.

The notice of redemption is expected to be given on or about Nov. 9 to holders of record. Dominion Trust Company, Roanoke, is the redemption agent and trustee. Appalachian Power is an operating electric utility subsidiary of American Electric Power Company (NYSE: AEP), Columbus, Ohio.

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#90298p9549 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, ILL. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Spiegel Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SPGLA) today reported net earnings of $10.1 million or $0.20 per share for the

quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to $10.8 million or $0.21 per share for the same period last year. Total revenues were $426.0 million, an increase of 14 percent from $372.9 million in the third quarter 1989.

In announcing the quarterly results, Spiegel attributed the earnings decline principally to softness in the retail industry, the possibility of a strike by United Parcel Service which was settled in early August, and an uncertain economic outlook. "We are sensing consumer nervousness about the Middle East crisis, soaring oil prices and the threat of a recession," said John J. Shea, Spiegel vice chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Gross profit margin on net sales declined in the quarter due to increased promotional sales activity. Although sales were below plan for the quarter, strong cost controls held selling, general and administrative expenses as a percent to total revenues under last year's third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, total revenues were $1,219.6 million a 19 percent increase from $1,025.7 million in the same period last year. Net earnings year-to-date were $25.6 million or $0.49 per share, compared to $23.8 million or $0.46 per share last year, a 7 percent increase.

"As of Sept. 30, 1990, inventories were on target and we are encouraged by the initial reaction to our 1990 Holiday Collection," Shea said.

Spiegel, Inc. is the nation's largest in-home direct marketer and a leading specialty retailer. The company markets wearing apparel, household furnishings and other merchandise through semi-annual and specialty catalogs distributed to more than 30 million U.S. households.

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#90298p9550 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - NERCO Inc. (NYSE: NER) today announced the natural resource company's minerals unit is suspending mining activities at the Candelaria silver mine in Nevada and has begun to reduce the mine's workforce because of depressed silver prices. This action does not affect NERCO's other precious metals operations.

The reduction in force at the Candelaria mine, acquired by a subsidiary of NERCO Minerals Co. in 1983, involves about 90 employees immediately and approximately 80 workers over the next 30 days.

Within six months, the company expects that approximately 22 employees of its 200-person workforce at the mine will remain at the trickle-down operations in effect at the mine. Those employees initially affected were in the mining operations area. A NERCO Minerals subsidiary is providing pay in lieu of

notice, severance pay and extended benefits to the affected employees, as well as outplacement services.

Through the end of 1989, NERCO has produced 19.6 million ounces of silver and more than 75,000 ounces of gold at the mine since 1983, and has added 32.7 million ounces of silver and 112,000 ounces of gold to the mine's reserves over that time.

According to Thomas Albanese, chief operating officer of NERCO Minerals Co., "The suspension of mining operations at the Candelaria Mine is a result of the serious economic conditions that are affecting the silver industry -- with prices currently at a 15-year low -- and we do not expect to resume full operations at this mine until silver prices rebound for a sustained period."

Albanese noted that the mine, through its workforce, had reduced Candelaria's operating cash costs by about 50 percent since 1983 as a result of improved grade control, mining techniques and increased overall efficiencies. "Although we have been one of the lowest-cost primary silver producers in America, we cannot maintain our Candelaria operations at these historically low silver prices. We regret the actions which needed to be taken today."

Albanese added, "These actions do not impact our other minerals operations in the U.S. or Canada."

NERCO Inc. is a major North American producer of coal, gold, silver, gas and oil. Approximately 82 percent of the company's common stock is indirectly held by PacifiCorp (NYSE: PPW), a diversified electric utility also based in Portland.

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#90298p9552 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Techne Corp. (NASDAQ: TECH) today announced that for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Techne's consolidated revenues were $4,011,655, net income after provision for income taxes was $198,976 and earnings per share were 2.3 cents. Compared to the first quarter of FY90 revenues increased by $827,155 (26 percent) and earnings after tax increased by $114,722.

The primary difference between the results of the first quarter of FY90 and FY91 was the performance of Techne's R & D Systems subsidiary. Compared to the first quarter of FY90, R & D's sales increased $731,442 (35 percent) and net earnings increased from $102,643 to $307,417 as a result of the increased sales partially offset by higher selling, general and research expenses.

Techne's Hycel S.A. subsidiary's sales increased $95,713 (7 percent) from the first quarter of FY90 while net loss increased from $15,320 to $76,398 as a result of increases in cost of sales and marketing costs.

Techne Corp. has two operating subsidiaries: Research and Diagnostic Systems (R & D Systems) of Minneapolis; and Hycel S.A. located in France. R & D Systems is a specialty manufacturer of biological products and Hycel manufactures and distributes various laboratory instruments and reagents which are sold to hospitals, clinical, and physician laboratories in Europe.

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#90298p9554 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Charles S. Locke, chairman and chief executive officer of Morton International (NYSE: MII), today predicted earnings from operations for the current fiscal year ending June 30, 1991, in the range of $2.85 to $3.15 per share of common stock. Last year the company had earnings of $2.80 per share.

Locke said, "The 30 cents range between the high and low ends of the prediction is larger than I have used in past years because of all the economic and political uncertainties in the world today." He added, "Our businesses have never been better positioned for strong growth going forward, but our near-term profits would inevitably be impacted if there are additional negative economic developments during the balance of our fiscal year."

Morton International is a Chicago-based manufacturer and marketer of specialty chemicals, salt and automotive inflatable restraint systems.

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#90298p9557 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - At the company's annual meeting today, shareholders of Morton International (NYSE: MII) reelected Dennis C. Fill, Charles A. Sanders, George A. Schaefer and Raymond C. Tower directors for three year terms and Everett A. Gilmour as a director for a one year term.

Continuing directors whose terms did not expire at this year's meeting are: Charles S. Locke, chairman; Ralph M. Barford, William T. Creson, Frank W. Luerssen, S. Jay Stewart and Roger W. Stone.

The shareholders also ratified the appointment of Ernst & Young as the company's independent auditors for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991.

Approximately 85.6 percent of the company's shareholders were represented either in person or by proxy at the meeting.

Morton International is a Chicago-based manufacturer and marketer of specialty chemicals, salt and automotive inflatable restraint systems.

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#90298p9561 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Logicon Inc. (NYSE: LGN) today announced that James F. Harvey has been named vice president and general manager of the company's Tactical & Training Systems Division in San Diego.

Harvey succeeds Donald L. Farr, who intends to retire at the end of Logicon's fiscal year. Farr continues as a corporate vice president and will support marketing and technical activities as a member of the corporate staff. Harvey will continue his duties as president of Logicon Eagle Technology Inc., located in Winter Park, Fla.

Harvey has headed Logicon's Eagle Technology subsidiary since 1984. Logicon acquired the operation in July 1989. Earlier he held senior technical management positions with the U.S. Naval Training Systems Center and with General Electric's Advanced Technology Division. He holds a Ph.D. degree in chemistry from the University of London (England).

Logicon is a leader in providing advanced technology systems and services to support national security, civil and industrial needs.

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#90298p9563 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANNAPOLIS, MD. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - UNC Incorporated (NYSE: UNC) today reported that third quarter earnings from continuing operations increased 20 percent as a result of improved performances in the company's seven operating units.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company reported a 103 percent improvement in earnings from continuing operations compared to restated results for the previous year.

Sales in the 1990 third quarter were $92.4 million, 9 percent higher than the $84.4 million in the third quarter of 1989. Income from operations rose 25 percent to $7.8 million compared with $6.2 million a year earlier. Earnings

from continuing operations were $1.5 million, or $.09 per share, compared with $1.3 million, or $.07 per share, in the 1989 third quarter. Net earnings for the quarter were $1.5 million, or $.09 per share, compared with $1.8 million, or $.11 per share, which included $.6 million of earnings from discontinued operations in last year's quarter.

The company said that the improvement in earnings from continuing operations in the quarter was primarily a result of higher income from the engine overhaul and engine parts manufacture businesses.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company said sales rose 18 percent to $264.6 million compared with $224.5 million in 1989. Income from operations at $20.7 million was 35 percent higher than $15.3 million in 1989. Earnings from continuing operations in the first nine months of 1990 were $3.4 million, or $.20 per share, compared with $1.7 million, or $.10 per share, reported for 1989. Net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $3.3 million, or $.19 per share, compared with $5.5 million, or $.33 per share, which included $3.8 million of earnings from discontinued operations in the 1989 period.

The improvement in earnings from continuing operations for the year to date was due to higher income in the engine and accessory overhaul and contract services businesses despite a higher overall tax rate.

UNC Incorporated, listed on the New York Stock Exchange, is engaged in overhauling aircraft engines and aircraft components; manufacturing and repairing jet engine parts; and providing contract aviation services.

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#90298p9570 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: CCMM) President Raymond E. High today announced that an agreement in principal has been reached with the Information Services Division of Westinghouse Electric Canada to enter into an OEM Agreement.

Under the terms of the agreement, CCMM has agreed to sell its full range of DATA EXPRESS TM Communications Processor products to Westinghouse, which will then be integrated with their existing wide range of communications products and marketed to their domestic and international end-user customers within the airline reservation, travel and hospitality markets. A definitive agreement is scheduled to be completed within the next 45 days.

The company, in its 24th year, is a leading independent producer of equipment and systems which are an integral part of high-speed data communications networks serving a broad spectrum of users.

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#90298p9573 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Westmark International Inc. (NASDAQ: WMRK) announced today that its subsidiary, SpaceLabs Inc., introduced five new products at the annual meeting of the American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) including "UltraView(TM)," the industry's first product to allow simultaneous viewing of real-time ultrasound images and vital sign data on a patient monitor. Westmark Also said that it expects to continue to introduce a series of new products and features over the next six months from both of its subsidiary companies, SpaceLabs and Advanced Technology Laboratories (ATL).

"UltraView provides anesthesiologists and surgeons with a single point of display for vital sign, alarm, trending and ultrasound information on SpaceLabs' PC2 monitor and PCMS remote displays," said Carl A. Lombardi, president of SpaceLabs. "We designed UltraView to support the growing use of transesophageal imaging as a monitoring modality in the operating room, and it is our first product to demonstrate the synergies between SpaceLabs and ATL." UltraView displayed images from ATL's Ultramark(R) 7 system during ASA.

The Ultramark 7 system introduced by ATL in March 1990 offers color flow Doppler capability with bi-plane transesophageal imaging in a mid-price range.

UltraView demonstrates the power and flexibility of SpaceLabs' leading Patient Care Management System (PCMS1/8TM3/8) and allows two display options. With Transparent View, monitoring data and waveforms are superimposed on the ultrasound images. With Dual View, ultrasound images are seen in the primary window with the ECG waveform displayed on the screen. In either view, all monitoring functions, including alarms and trending, are fully operational.

Convenient touchscreen controls allow the clinician to change modes by pressing a single touch-key on the screen. Image display controls are independent of those on the ultrasound system's display.

In addition to being displayed on the PC2 monitor, the ultrasound image can also be displayed on SpaceLabs' remote display which due to its location in the operating room allows the surgeon to view it as well. UltraView supports both color and high-resolution gray-scale displays. UltraView is compatible with any ultrasound system with standard video outputs. The company expects to make first customer deliveries in March 1991, 510K approval on UltraView is pending.

SpaceLabs introduces four other products which further expand the capabilities and clinical utility of the PCMS -- PC DataMaster(TM), PC2 Configurable Remote Display, PCMS Multisensor Pulse Oximetry Module and a four waveform option for the PC Express(TM).

PC DataMaster is a new option for the PC2 monitor that allows it to run special-purpose clinical applications in addition to serving as a fully functional patient monitor. All monitoring functions, including alarms and trending, remain operational, and the clinician can return to full-screen monitoring at the touch of a key. The PC DataMaster includes PC Mode, a 32-MB hard disk, and a user-friendly menuing system that allows the clinician to load and run a program by simply touching the screen.

SpaceLabs also made available two clinical application programs for the PC DataMaster -- a drug interaction database developed by Medi-Span that lets the clinician quickly determine whether a prescribed drug is likely to cause an adverse reaction; and the Medi-Sim Critical Care Nursing Simulations, a core curriculum of more than 50 programs developed in conjunction with the American Association of Critical Care Nurses and approved for Category A continuing education credits.

The PC2 Configurable Remote Display Option when connected to a PC2 monitor allows surgeons and perfusionists to make data viewing selections independent of the anesthesiologist's configuration on the PC2. Configurable features include the waveforms displayed, colors displayed, order of waveforms, numeric values displayed, waveform size and sweep speed and scales.

The new PCMS Multisensor Pulse Oximetry Module is the first to use sensors from multiple manufacturers. The module is compatible with all SpaceLabs PCMS monitors and works with SpaceLabs, Nellcor and Novametrix pulse oximeter sensors. The SaO2 module measures oxygen saturation in the blood an is useful for a wide range of applications and for all types of patients -- neonatal, pediatric and adult.

SpaceLabs also expanded the capability of PC Express, the first fully modular, portable monitor to display up to 4 waveforms and up to 11 vital signs. The added capability makes PC Express an excellent monitor for the general operating room, particularly where space is at a premium. PC Express is fully compatible with SpaceLabs' Ethernet(TM)-based network.

SpaceLabs Inc. is a leading manufacturer of clinical information systems, patient monitoring equipment, diagnostic monitoring products and semi-automatic defibrillators.

Westmark, with headquarters in Seattle, is a worldwide developer, manufacturer and distributor of diagnostic ultrasound systems and electronic patient monitoring systems through its subsidiaries, Advanced Technology Laboratories Inc. in Bothell, Wash., and SpaceLabs Inc. in Redmond, Wash.

Westmark's common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol WMRK.

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LINCOLN, RI (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of A.T. Cross Company (AMEX: ATXA), manufacturer of fine writing instruments, today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 32 cents per share on the company's common stock, increasing the payment by 3.2 percent over the previous rate, Bradford R. Boss chairman and chief executive officer, announced. The quarterly payment was last raised by 11 percent to 31 cents per share in July 1989.

A.T. Cross has increased its dividend at least once in each of the 19 years since becoming publicly owned in 1971. The new cash dividend is payable on Nov. 21, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 8.

The A.T. Cross Company is a major international manufacturer of fine writing instruments. The company also markets quality leather products and other gift items through its Mark Cross retail chain and its Manetti Farrow distributing arm.

CONTACT: John E. Buckley, executive vice president of A.T. Cross, 401-333-1200

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bemis Company, Inc. (NYSE: BMS), today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 18 cents per share of common stock. The dividend is payable Dec. 3, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 19, 1990.

Bemis Company is a major supplier of flexible packaging and specialty coated and graphics products. Bemis common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Lisa D. Locken, 612-340-6130; or Benjamin R. Field, 612-340-6010, both of Bemis Company

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DES MOINES, IA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PHYB) today announced that earnings for fiscal 1990, ended Aug. 31, totalled $72,652,000, or $2.33 per share, on revenues of $964,453,000.

In the previous year, the company's continuing operations earned $81,910,000, or $2.58 per share, on revenues of $867,295,000. In fiscal 1989, Pioneer also realized a net gain of $16,254,000, or $.51 per share, on the sale of two

discontinued businesses, boosting earnings to $98,164,000, or $3.09 per share.

Thomas N. Urban, chairman and president, noted that 1989 earnings of $2.58 per share included a $.27 net gain realized from the company's sale of its equity interest in AGRION Corp. "On an 'apples-to-apples' basis, earnings for 1990 were about flat with last year," he said.

During the year, the company encountered a number of difficulties and unusual events, according to Urban. Among the difficulties, he cited the drought in Europe and changes in European Economic Community farm policies. The discontinuance of the hard wheat seed products had an adverse effect on earnings. "The effort to stem the erosion in our seed corn market share in North America was successful but expensive," he noted.

Urban is encouraged with the prospects for fiscal 1991. The pace of early orders in North America has been brisk. Product performance around the world is encouraging. He added that the seed crops have been harvested and quality has been excellent.

"As usual," he says, "it's impossible to accurately predict results for the coming year." In the U.S., farm programs will surely have a bearing on planted acreages and those programs have not been approved. There will likely be changes in EEC programs. The Middle East problems might have far ranging effects on agriculture as well as all other businesses.

"Nevertheless, we are cautiously optimistic about 1991," he concludes, "because the positives at this point outweigh the negatives."

PIONEER HI-BRED INTERNATIONAL, INC.
(In thousands, except for per share amounts)

	Quarter		Year	
Periods ended Aug. 31;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$117,982	$ 81,054	$964,453	$867,295
Income (loss) before income taxes	$(33,647)	$(40,953)	$122,609	$137,096
Provision for income taxes	$ 13,306	$ 18,838	$(49,957)	$(55,186)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	$(20,341)	$(22,115)	$ 72,652	$ 81,910
Discontinued operations, net	--	$ 282	--	$ 16,254
Net income (loss)	$(20,341)	$(21,833)	$ 72,652	$ 98,164
Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share:				
Income (loss) from continuing operations	$ (.65)	$ (.70)	$ 2.33	$ 2.58
discontinued operations-net	--	$ .01	--	$ .51
Net income (loss)	$ (.65)	$ (.69)	$ 2.33	$ 3.09
Average shares outstanding	31,107	31,701	31,163	31,817

CONTACT: James Ansorge of Pioneer, 515-245-3578

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MIAMI (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - HealthInfusion, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HINF) today announced revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $2,780,792 or a 71 percent increase over the 1989 results for the same period. Income from operations for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $929,512 or a 25 percent increase over the same period in 1989. Earnings per common share were $.15 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $.14 for the same period in 1989.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $7,175,045 or an increase of 88 percent over 1989 revenues for the same period. Income from operations for the first nine months of 1990 was $2,505,531 or an increase of 39 percent compared with the same period in 1989. Earnings per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $.42 or an increase of 27 percent over 1989 during the same period.

President Miles Gilman stated that "the third quarter showed solid operational and strategic progress. Our focus for the future will be on increasing the size of our branch network and improved marketing while maintaining the high standard of technical care to our patients and timely billing and collection of accounts receivable."

HealthInfusion provides home intravenous therapy services, which is the administration to a patient of nutrients, antibiotics, or other drugs and fluids, either intravenously or through a feeding tube. HealthInfusion currently has six branches located in Miami, Tampa, Jacksonville and Boca Raton, Fla.; Raleigh, N.C. and New York.

HEALTHINFUSION, INC.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,780,972	$1,624,078	$7,175,045	$3,809,278
Operating exepenses	1,851,280	882,307	4,669,514	2,002,438
Income from operations	929,512	741,771	2,505,531	1,806,840
Other, net	85,643	218	30,537	(6,578)
Pre-tax income	1,015,155	741,989	2,536,068	1,800,262
Provision for income taxes	(385,760)	(281,956)	(963,707)	(684,100)
Net income	$ 629,395	$ 460,033	$1,572,361	$1,116,162
Net earnings per common share	$.15	$.14	$.42	$.33
Average number of				

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FINANCIAL CONDITION

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31 1989
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 5,704,970	$ 475,653
Total current assets	8,679,413	2,103,748
Total assets	9,854,839	2,582,041
Current liabilities	1,735,375	2,146,717
Long term debt	236,628	55,793
Stockholders' equity	$ 7,446,816	$ 76,529

CONTACT: Miles Gilman, president of HealthInfusion, Inc., 305-267-1177

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CONTACT: Miles Gilman, president of HealthInfusion, Inc., 305-267-1177

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#90298p9593 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Freddie Mac (NYSE: FRE) today announced that a civil lawsuit was filed by the estate of Theodore Machalaba in the U.S. District Court of the District of Columbia. The suit names Freddie Mac and its chairman and chief e8YutivYPoffi,Y9V .+4I9dsel, as defendants.

The action has been brought on behalf of a purported class of investors which allegedly includes all people who purchased Freddie Mac's voting common stock between May 7, 1990, and Oct. 18, 1990, and seeks damages in an unspecified amount. The plaintiff alleges, among other things, that Freddie Mac's disclosures regarding multifamily mortgage losses during this period failed to adequately inform investors of the severity of losses experienced and, thus, violated federal securities laws.

Based on its preliminary analysis, Freddie Mac believes that the allegations are without merit and intends to contest the action vigorously.

Freddie Mac is a stockholder-owned corporation chartered by Congress in 1970 to create a continuous flow of funds to mortgage lenders in support of homeownership and rental housing. By linking the capital markets with the mortgage markets, Freddie Mac brings the efficiencies and lower costs of the secondary mortgage market to the lender, the investor and the homebuyer. Over

the years, Freddie Mac has helped finance one in eight American homes, including more than 700,000 apartment units.

CONTACT: Janice Conway, 703-759-8524; Audra Capas, 703-759-8505; or Nancy Condon, 703-759-8506, all of Freddie Mac.

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#90298p9594 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - OIS Optical Imaging Systems, Inc. (OTC: OVON) ("OIS") announced that, following its news release of Oct. 12, 1990, which indicated that OIS does not comply with the minimum NASD requirement for capital and surplus, OIS requested a hearing.

It has been advised that a possible delisting will be delayed until a scheduled hearing takes place on Nov. 14, 1990.

OIS is making every effort to rectify this situation. Additional equity invested in OIS may avoid delisting, but no assurance can be given that adequate, if any, equity will be raised.

CONTACT: Joseph Ben-Gal of OIS Optical Imaging Systems, Inc., 313-362-2738.

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#90298p9595 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

INVER GROVE HEIGHTS, Minn. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Surgidyne, Inc. today announced third quarter and nine month results.

The 59 percent decrease in the nine month net loss can be attributed to substantially reduced selling and administrative expenses, and also to improved production efficiencies. The company expects additional sales revenues to begin in 1991 resulting from market introduction of its postoperative orthopedic VariDyne Autotransfusion System which is currently in final stages of development and for which FDA approvals for marketing has been received. The company makes portable battery powered vacuum controllers and disposable suction and collection products for surgical wound drainage and other medical applications.

Surgidyne's common stock is traded in the local over-the-counter market. The company's executive offices are located at 9605 West Jefferson Trail, Inver Grove Heights, MN 55077.

SURGIDYNE, INC.

	Third Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenue	$121,208	$124,135	$464,706	$396,132
Percent change	-.03	--	+.17	--

Net loss	$(53,511)	$(103,891)	$(151,581)	$(367,570)
Percent change	+.48	--	+.59	--
Net loss per share	$(.015)	$(.03)	$(.04)	$(.11)

CONTACT: Charles B. NcNeil of Surgidyne, 612-681-9235

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#90298p9597 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

WORCESTER, MA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Cambridge Biotech Corporation (NASDAQ: CBCX) today announced it has received approval from the U.S. Department of Agriculture for a recombinant vaccine against feline leukemia, a leading killer of cats. The vaccine, developed jointly between Cambridge and the French animal health company Virbac SA, will be sold in the United States and in Canada under the trade name GenetiVac(TM)FeLV by Pitman-Moore, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of IMCERA Group, Inc. (NYSE: IMA).

GenetVac FeLV is the first recombinant, or genetically-engineered, vaccine to be used against a retrovirus in animals. Instead of utilizing whole virus, as do most classical vaccines, it contains a recombinant antigen, created from isolated and purified portions of the virus' outer envelope, and a proprietary adjuvant called Stimulon(TM), which has been shown to amplify the body's immune response to a recombinant antigen more effectively than other adjuvant compounds.

Commenting on the approval, Cambridge Biotech President and CEO Patrick J. Leonard said, "The approval of GenetiVac FelV brings not only a significant new product to CBC's portfolio, but again demonstrates the ability of the company to use its strong technological base to bring unique products to the market quickly. The recombinant technology used to create GenetiVac FeLV has potential applications for many other vaccines for both animals and humans, both existing and proposed.

Rigorous clinical trials conducted by both CBC and Pitman-Moore in the United States and Vibrac in France show the vaccine to be both safe and effective against FeLV. A very high protection rate was achieved against a viral challenge far more aggressive than would occur in nature.

The new vaccine has been marketed under the trade name of Leucogen(R) in France through CBC's collaborator Virbac SA for two years and in Switzerland for almost a year. The vaccine now commands a 65 percent market share in France, according to Virbac officials.

Pitman-Moore's requirement for product will be manufactured by Cambridge Biotech, which will also participate in a royalty arrangement on sales worldwide. The vaccine is available to veterinarians immediately.

Virbac is the largest independent French animal health company, as well as the

world's largest independent company dealing exclusively with animal health.

Pitman-Moore manufactures and markets a broad range of animal health products for livestock, poultry and companion animals. The company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of IMCERA Group, Inc. (formerly International Minerals & Chemical Corp.), has a significant share of the animal vaccine market. The estimated market for FeLV vaccine worldwide is $50 million.

Cambridge Biotech Corporation is a leader in the development of recombinant technology and a major producer of viral diagnostic screening and confirmatory products. The company utilizes recombinant technology in the development and production of antigens. The company also develops adjuvants and monoclonal antibodies as the basis for diagnostic, vaccine and therapeutic products for humans and animals.

CONTACT: Donald G. Reed, senior vice president of Cambridge Biotech Corporation, 508-797-5777; or Edward Haddad of Pitman-Moore, 708-949-3618; or Lisa Burns of Burns McClellan, 212-505-1919, for Cambridge Biotech

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#90298p9601 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELVILLE, NY (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Anchor Savings Bank FSB (NASDAQ; ABKR) held its annual meeting of shareholders here today.

The stockholders at the meeting elected the following five directors for terms of three years each: Thomas F. Carty, Richard W. Dalrymple, Robert C. Mahony, Dr. Pascual Sanchez and Howard Smith.

Additionally, the stockholders approved the adoption of the Anchor Savings Bank 1990 stock option plan and ratified the appointment of KPMG Peat Marwick as independent accountants for fiscal 1991.

Anchor Savings Bank is among the 25 largest U.S. thrifts with deposits of $7.4 billion at Sept. 30, 1990. It operates branches in four market areas; metropolitan New York/New Jersey, upstate New York, Georgia and Florida.

CONTACT: Thomas K. Hernly, vice president of Anchor Savings Bank, 212-330-7646

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#90298p9602 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

DRESHER, PA. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Selas Corporation of America (AMEX: SLS) today reported income before extraordinary item for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $3,209,000 or $1.32 per share on sales of $42,290,000 compared to income before extraordinary item of $1,637,000 or $.74 per share on sales of $29,803,000 reported for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The extraordinary item is a tax benefit from a net operating loss carryforward in 1990 of $475,000 or $.20 per share and $266,000 or $.12 per share in 1989. Net income after tax benefit for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, is $3,684,000 or $1.52 per share compared to $1,903,000 or $.86 per share for the same period in 1989.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, income before extraordinary item was $890,000 or $.33 per share on sales of $10,862,000, compared to income before extraordinary item of $838,000 or $.38 per share on sales of $11,535,000 reported for the same period in 1989. The prior year's extraordinary item represents a tax benefit from a net operating loss carryforward of $230,000 or $.10 per share from European operations. Net income after tax benefit for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, is $890,000 or $.33 per share compared to $1,068,000 or $.48 per share for the same period in 1989.

Company President and Chief Executive Officer Stephen F. Ryan said that the third quarter was adversely affected by reduced sales and earnings of the Deuer Manufacturing subsidiary due to a one-month, model-changeover shutdown by one of the firm's major automotive customers. Production is now back to normal.

Ryan said, "We continue to be optimistic for the balance of the year and we anticipate several new orders for our heat processing business within the next few quarters."

Selas is an international design, development, engineering and manufacturing company.

CONTACT: Stephen F. Ryan, president and chief executive officer, 215-283-8400

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#90298p9603 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Federal Screw Works (OTC: FSCR) today declared a cash dividend of 10 cents per share on its outstanding $1 par value common stock, payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 13, 1990.

CONTACT: W.T. ZurSchmiede Jr. of Federal Screw Works, 313-963-2323

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#90298p9617 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

(OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Chairman Harold Poling, UAW President Owen Bieber and other company and union officials will sign a new three-year, Ford-UAW national contract in a brief ceremony at 3:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26, in the main-table room at Ford World Headquarters, Dearborn.

News media wanting to photograph the signing should go to the lobby at the Michigan Avenue entrance to Ford World Headquarters early enough to be guided to the main-table room in time for the ceremony.

Because of the limited space in the main-table room, only hand-held cameras will be permitted.

CONTACT: Dick Routh of Ford Corporate News, 313-322-9600; Jim Vella of Ford Broadcast News, 313-594-0520; or Karl Mantyla of UAW Pubic Relations, 313-926-5291.

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#90298p9621 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Record drug testing revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were reported today by Psychemedics Corp. (NASDAQ: PCMC).

Drug testing revenue for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $568,636, a 490 percent increase over the $96,342 reported for the same period in 1989. (Total revenues for 1989 of $115,092 included $18,750 for license fees.)

Net loss decreased to $451,930 from the loss of $497,090 reported during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. The loss per share for the three month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 were $0.04 and $0.05, respectively.

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Lawrence A. Kaufman, president and chief executive officer, said: "We are pleased with the results of the quarter and for the first nine months of 1990 because they indicate that the company's proprietary drug testing method (RIAH) using hair instead of urine is gaining acceptance. Our company currently has over 120 customer accounts which includes 90 corporate accounts using RIAH for pre- employment and employee testing."

CONTACT: Leroy O. Meyer of Psychemedics Corp., 617-345-9731

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#90298p9622 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

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PSYCHEMEDICS CORP.
Unaudited Condensed Statements of Operations

	Three months ended Sept. 30		Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue:				
Drug testing	$568,636	$96,342	$1,120,559	$255,867
License fees	---	18,750	---	350,000
Total	568,636	115,092	1,120,559	605,867
Operating costs				

and expenses	1,003,189	639,608	2,864,853	1,293,670
Operating income (loss)	(434,553)	(524,516)	(1,744,294)	(687,803)
Other income (expenses)	(17,377)	27,426	(51,559)	74,945
Net income (loss)	($451,930)	($497,090)	($1,795,853)	($612,858)
Income (loss) per common share	($.04)	($.05)	($.18)	($.07)

CONTACT: Leroy O. Meyer of Psychemedics Corp., 617-345-9731

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#90298p9627 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONROE, LA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) recorded a net loss of $51,627,000 ($1.27 per share) for the quarter ended Sept. 30, according to Thomas J. Roeck Jr., Delta's senior vice president - finance and chief financial officer.

The company's loss from operations was $73,616,000. For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, net income was $133,142,000 ($2.53 per share) and operating income was $190,620,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $53,780,000 ($0.85 primary and $0.81 fully diluted earnings per share) compared to $408,940,000 ($8.12 primary and $7.92 fully diluted earnings per share) in the corresponding 1989 period.

Roeck stated: "This is the first loss Delta has had in a September quarter since 1982. The disappointing results stem from a number of factors. First, the average price of jet fuel, responding to the threat of war in the Middle East, rose 27 percent to 70.65 cents per gallon, adding $78.1 million to Delta's expenses.

"Second, passenger revenue grew only two percent over the previous year's quarter, reflecting strong competition in the domestic market, softening demand due to the uncertain economy, and a full quarter's operation by a major competitor who, in the 1989 quarter, was rebuilding its operation following a strike. If these trends continue, the company expects to report a loss for the full calendar year."

In addition to these factors, Roeck noted that Delta's results were reduced by an out-of-period accrual for potential additional bad debts, reflecting the heightened possibility that one or more airlines could fail due to the current fuel situation.

Operating revenues for the September 1990 quarter were $2.217 billion, up two percent from the 1989 quarter. Passenger revenues grew two percent to $2.081

billion as revenue passenger miles remained unchanged and the passenger mile yield increased two percent from the September 1989 quarter. Cargo revenues were up seven percent to $105.9 million, and other revenues totaled $30.8 million.

Operating expenses in the September 1990 quarter were $2.291 billion, up 16 percent from the $1.983 billion recorded in the 1989 quarter. Operating capacity increased seven percent to 25.915 billion available seat miles, and revenue aircraft miles were up six percent.

The board of directors declared the regular cash dividend of 30 cents per share payable Dec. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 8, 1990.

CONTACT: Delta Air Lines public relations, (404) 765-2531.

-30- 2756

#90298p9628 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Morton International today announced it was decentralizing its specialty chemicals group into four separate and independent groups and electing as corporate officers Thomas S. Russell, Richard B. Kron, Stephen A. Gerow, and Perry R. Grace.

In addition, Robert B. Covalt was elected to a newly created position of corporate executive vice president responsible for the development, implementation, and management of corporate-wide programs in the areas of health, safety and environmental affairs, materials management, central engineering, quality management, technology development, and acquisition and divestitures. Also elected as a corporate officer was Kenneth D. Holmgren, group vice president and president of Morton's Automotive Safety Products Group.

Russell, 45, was promoted to group vice president and president of the adhesives and specialty polymers group. He has been with Morton for 14 years, and has served in several executive positions including chief financial officer, president of the Canadian Salt Company, corporate vice president of administration, and most recently executive vice president of the adhesives operations.

Kron, 63, was promoted to group vice president and president of specialty chemicals products group. Kron has been with Morton for 30 years, holding several positions in the specialty chemicals area. He had most recently been executive vice president of the colors and polymers operations.

Gerow, 48, was promoted to group vice president and president of the coatings group. Gerow joined Morton as executive vice president of the coatings operations in April 1990. He had been group vice president of Parker Amchem, a division of Henkel.

Grace, 49, was promoted to group vice president and president of the electronic materials group. Grace has been with Morton 14 years, and has held several positions at both the corporate and operating levels. He has been executive vice president and president of the electronic materials operations for the past two years.

Covalt, 58, has been with Morton for 34 years, beginning as a development engineer and moving within the engineering and manufacturing operations. He became group vice president of the Specialty Chemicals Group in 1987.

Holmgren, 60, was elected a corporate vice president. He has been with Morton since 1957, joining as manufacturing supervisor. He has held numerous executive positions, most recently president of Morton's Automotive Safety Products Group, which manufactures automotive inflatable restraint systems.

Morton International is a Chicago-based manufacturer and marketer of specialty chemicals, salt and automotive inflatable restraint systems.

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BLUE BELL, PA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Unisys Corp. (NYSE: UIS) today declared a quarterly dividend of 93.75 cents per share on the company's Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock.

The preferred stock dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 21, 1990. The Unisys board of directors also declared a dividend for the Series B and Series C Cumulative Preferred Stock held solely by Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

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NAPERVILLE, ILL. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Nalco Chemical Company (NYSE: NLC) reported third quarter increases in both sales and earnings today. In addition, the board of directors voted to increase the quarterly dividend 8 percent to 40 cents a share from 37 cents a share, payable Dec. 10, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 20, 1990.

Net earnings rose to $32.7 million, compared to $32.5 million for the same quarter last year; for the first nine months, they increased 9 percent to $95.5 million from $87.3 million reported a year ago. On a primary per share basis, third quarter earnings increased by 8 percent to 86 cents a share

compared to 80 cents a share for the third quarter last year. Primary earnings per share for the first nine months were up 13 percent to $2.47 a share from $2.19 a share a year ago. Fully diluted earnings for the quarter were 5 cents a share less than primary earnings, and 14 cents a share less for the first nine months. These figures take into account the assumed conversion of convertible preferred stock issued to the Nalco Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP).

Third quarter sales were up 11 percent to $300.3 million from $270.0 million for the similar period last year. Sales for the first nine months increased 13 percent to $886.8 million from $787.6 million recorded last year.

Four of Nalco's five operating units reported double digit sales increases during the quarter. The international division led the way with a substantial 14 percent sales gain while the three domestic divisions followed closely behind. Among the company's 20 domestic units, pulp and paper chemicals, basic industry, Day-Glo Color Corp. and WATERGY(R) were the leaders -- reporting significant sales increases during the quarter. Other notable performances were turned in by UNISOLV(R), RPC Chemicals, Visco Chemicals, Utility Chemicals and Functional Chemicals. Outside the U.S., substantial sales performances were achieved by our companies in Italy, Germany, France, Spain and Austria.

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SPOKANE, WA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Key Tronic Corp. (NASDAQ: KTCC), a leading manufacturer of keyboards and other computer peripherals, today announced the appointment of Earl E. Wolfe as vice president of operations.

Wolfe had been with ISC Bunker Ramo in Spokane since 1981, most recently as director of corporate administration. Prior to that he spent nine years with General Instruments as manager of manufacturing.

"Mr. Wolfe's background and references assures us of a results-minded individual that understands how to build and play on a winning team," said A.T. (Fred) Zirkle, president of Key Tronic.

Key Tronic is a publicly held corporation traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol KTCC.

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SPOKANE, WA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Key Tronic Corp. (NASDAQ: KTCC), a manufacturer of keyboards and other computer peripherals, announced the selection of Steven P. Benner as director of finance as of Oct. 15.

Benner has been with Key Tronic since 1987, most recently as corporate controller. Prior to his tenure with Key Tronic, he held various accounting and financial positions with the Hagadone Corp. and Montana Power Co.

"During the interviewing process for a new director of finance, many people inside the company voiced support for promoting Steve," said A.T. (Fred) Zirkle, president of Key Tronic. "He has displayed tremendous ability as corporate controller, and we are eager to tap his skills in his new position."

Key Tronic is a publicly held corporation traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol KTCC.

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OIL CITY, Pa. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Quaker State Corporation (NYSE: KSF) reported increased sales and earnings for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990, compared to the same periods of 1989.

At its monthly meeting, the board of directors voted a regular, quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share, payable on Dec. 14 to stockholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

For the third quarter, net income was $4,208,000 (15 cents per share) on sales and operating revenues of $225,070,000. This compares to net income of $1,664,000 (six cents per share) on sales and operating revenues of $207,308,000 in third quarter 1989.

For nine months, Quaker State registered sales of $656,788,000 and net income of $15,029,000 (55 cents per share) compared to $613,980,000 and $9,450,000 (35 cents per share) in 1989.

Operating profits in the third quarter totaled $9,709,000, compared to $6,969,000 in the same period a year ago. The gains were achieved primarily in the core petroleum business and fast lube subsidiaries.

Quaker State's core petroleum segment reported operating profits of $7,113,000 compared to $3,103,000 in third quarter 1989. Profits were held down significantly by the company's inability to raise the price of motor oil and light fuels as rapidly as crude oil costs increased. However, oil and gas production profits increased by $477,000 to $1,444,000 as a result of higher

crude oil prices.

Quaker State's fast lube subsidiaries reported operating profits of $1,764,000 up from $979,000 in third quarter 1989. Both Quaker State Minit-Lube, Inc., and McQuik's Oilube, Inc., improved margins through higher unit selling prices.

Profits of the company's Heritage Insurance Group declined from $1,743,000 in third quarter 1989 to $856,000 in this year's quarter. Heritage continues to be negatively impacted by the soft new car market and above normal claims experience.

The Valley Camp Coal Company reported a loss of $1,328,000, versus a profit of $186,000 in third quarter 1989. Continued operating difficulties at Helen Mining Company, higher than expected start-up costs at Shrewsbury Mine, and lower production at Donaldson Mine because the customer's generating plant is on temporary shutdown all contributed to the operating loss.

The company's other businesses experienced modest gains. Operating profits of Truck-Lite Company, Inc., rose from $718,000 a year ago to $803,000 in the third quarter as improved sales to the auto industry offset a slight decline to the heavy duty truck market. The dock facilities reported operating profits of $685,000, a gain of $213,000 over third quarter 1989.

Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Jack W. Corn commented that, "Along with improved earnings, Quaker State maintained a strong cash flow and a low debt to capital ratio of about 18 percent in the third quarter. Motor oil price increases announced during the period are scheduled to be implemented in the fourth quarter, but crude oil price fluctuations will continue to impact future earnings."

QUAKER STATE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
(in thousands except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30,		9 Months Ended Sept. 30,		
	1990	1989	1990	1989	
Per Share	$.15	$.06	$.55	$.35	Net Income
Operating Revenue	$225,070	$207,308	$656,788	$613,980	Sales and
Profit	$9,709	$6,969	$33,176	$28,326	Operating Income
Before Income Taxes	$5,458	$2,111	$20,629	$13,147	
Net Income	$4,208	$1,664	$15,029	$9,450	
Weighted Average Capital Shares Outstanding	27,125	27,126	27,125	27,128	

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MINNETONKA, MN (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - LecTec Corporation (NASDAQ: LECT) today released its fiscal 1991 first quarter results. Operating income increased 31 percent over the previous quarter from $208,000 to $273,000. Earnings rose 6 percent from $207,585 to $219,560 over the same period a year ago. Total revenues were $1,889,000 for the period last year versus $1,689,000 for the current period. The company cited benefits from cost reduction programs and previous investments that resulted in increased earnings over the previous quarter and the same period of last year.

A company spokesperson noted that current and potential customers are unanimous in their support of the decision to disengage from acquisition activities of NDM and merger plans with MEI Diversified. Customers were concerned that LecTec might dilute its focus in developing and producing leading edge medical technologies.

"Growth, both domestically and overseas, in our medical markets will accelerate faster with our renewed focus. We are now back on track. Sales and earnings for the second quarter (October-December) are strong and, we believe, will show continued increases over previous quarters," commented LecTec President and CEO George B. Ingebrand.

LecTec Corporation is a medical company focusing on development and manufacturing of non-invasive products. Among the company's products are cardiac electrodes, medical tapes, transdermal drug delivery systems, and component materials for use with electromedical equipment. LecTec is publicly traded on NASDAQ under the symbol LECT.

LECTEC CORPORATION

	Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$1,689,000	$1,889,000
Operating income	273,000	262,000
Net income	220,000	208,000
Net income per share	$0.07	$0.07
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,123,000	3,131,000

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HOUSTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Vista Chemical Co. (NYSE: VC) today announced earnings per share of $5.97, and net income of $63.3 million, for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to earnings of $8.56 per share, and

net income of $119.9 million, for fiscal 1989. The company adopted in fiscal 1990 the F.A.S.B. Statement No. 96, "Accounting for Income Taxes." Fiscal 1990 results reflect $4.7 million of income from the cumulative effect of the change.

"The decline in earnings was due primarily to reduced prices, especially for polyvinyl chloride (PVC), and to costs associated with the ethylene plant expansion and modernization project in Lake Charles, which is scheduled for completion in November," said John D. Burns, chairman, president and chief executive officer. These effects were partly offset by increased sales volumes and the cumulative effect of the accounting change. Higher interest expense resulting from the financial restructuring completed in July 1989 also contributed to lower net income. On a per share basis, the effect of the higher interest expense was offset by the reduction in shares outstanding resulting from stock repurchase in fiscal 1989.

Sales for the year were $718.8 million, compared to $778.9 million reported for the same period last year. The decline in sales reflects a 14 percent decline in product prices, partly offset by a six percent increase in sales volumes.

Earnings per share were 74 cents in the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, compared to $1.89 per share reported for the same quarter last year and $1.93 for the third quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income for the fourth fiscal quarter was $7.8 million compared to $21.1 million reported for the same quarter in fiscal 1989 and $20.4 million in the previous quarter.

According to Burns, Vista's fourth quarter results were impacted by higher costs associated with commissioning the ethylene project, and costs of non-recurring environmental projects. "In addition, earnings reflect the dramatic increase in hydrocarbon feedstock costs resulting from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait in August," he explained.

"Vista is operating in a very difficult, uncertain business environment, characterized by volatile oil prices," Burns observed. However, our business operations remain strong. We've seen increased demand for virtually all of our products this year, especially in our surfactants and specialties product line, which brought in record revenues for the most recent quarter and the fiscal year.

"Vista believes in the strength of our underlying operations. While we can't control the situation in the Middle East, we can control other factors to ensure our competitiveness and profitability through these uncertain times," Burns continued. "For example, Vista began to pass through some of its increased feedstock costs to customers, beginning Sept. 1. In addition, Vista has initiated company-wide internal cost control measures. We expect that cash flow from our businesses in fiscal 1991 should enable us to maintain our dividend program at current levels, support an appropriate capital program and

reduce debt."

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#90298p9650 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPOKANE, WA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Key Tronic Corp. (NASDAQ: KTCC), a leading manufacturer of keyboards and other computer products, has announced a new family of keyboards for portable computers. Included in the family are unenclosed keyboards for A and A4-size notebook computers and laptop computers. Standard keyboards may be ordered from stock or configured with a number of custom options, such as an embedded pointing device, electrical interfaces and/or custom enclosures.

"The portable computing market is one of the fastest growing segments in the computer industry," stated A.T. (Fred) Zirkle, Key Tronic president. "Our OEM customers require quality keyboard designs and high-volume manufacturing expertise to meet the increased demand for smaller-size, lightweight computer equipment. With our worldwide reputation for quality keyboards and our ability to provide unique custom configurations, OEMs are coming to us for support," he added.

According to Zirkle, there is high demand for keyboards in both laptop and notebook portable computing environments. Key Tronic's laptop keyboards are designed exclusively for use with the laptop class of portable computers which emulate many of the features of desktop computers. The 82-key laptop keyboard features 12 function keys across the top and a separate, T-shaped cursor pad. Both areas utilize a narrow key shape and are separated from the typewriter area of the keyboard for ease of use.

Key Tronic's notebook keyboard line includes designs to fit both A- and A4-size notebook computers, corresponding to U.S. and International paper sizes respectively. Both size keyboards feature stepped keys, a top row of function keys, separate cursor keys, and an embedded numeric keypad.

The 84-key A4 model is slightly larger than the A-size to accommodate four separate page movement keys. Cursor keys on A4 models are in a T-configuration. A-size models feature cursor keys in a horizontal line.

Both laptop and notebook keyboards use Key Tronic's patented full-travel membrane technology, and can be customized to suit user preference. For example, OEMs may specify a custom configuration with Key Tronic's new KeyMouse(TM) option, a pointing device integrated into the enclosure that provides users the point-and-click capabilities of a mouse or trackball. Key Tronic has also designed a daughter card that can be purchased separately to provide the electrical interface between the keyboard and CPU. Other custom options are available upon request.

"The custom keyboard requirements of our OEM customers are an exciting match with Key Tronic's vertically integrated manufacturing capabilities," said Steve Edison, Key Tronic's director of marketing. "No other manufacturer can supply them with the quality product and service we offer," he concluded.

The portable keyboards will initially be manufactured in Key Tronic's U.S. facilities in the Spokane area. They will also be produced later in Key Tronic's overseas plants in Taiwan and Ireland to serve Asian and European markets respectively. The keyboards will be marketed through Key Tronic's worldwide network of independent sales representatives.

Key Tronic is a publicly held corporation, traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol KTCC.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Dravo Corp. (NYSE: DRV) today reported net income for the third quarter of $8.4 million on revenue of $82.1 million, compared to $7.5 million on revenue of $76.9 million a year ago.

Earnings for the quarter were 52 cents per share after preferred dividends, compared to 46 cents per share last year. Third quarter profits include an extraordinary item of $1.8 million, or 12 cents per share, from the use of operating loss carryforwards which reduce tax liabilities. Last year's third-quarter results included an operating loss carryforward extraordinary item of $1.4 million, or 9 cents per share.

Nine-month results were net income of $17.1 million on revenues of $224.1 million, compared to $14.3 milion on revenues of $210.7 million last year. Earnings per share after preferred dividends for the three quarters just ended were $1.02, compared to 83 cents in 1989. Nine-month profits include an extraordinary item of $3.6 million, or 24 cents per share, from the use of operating loss carryforwards which reduce tax liabilities. The operating loss carryforwards extraordinary item for the corresponding period last year was $2.7 million, or 18 cents per share.

"Our operating earnings reflect a continuation of flat performance levels in our basic materials business during the third quarter and for the nine-month period," commented Carl A. Torbert Jr., Dravo's president and chief executive officer.

"Strong construction aggregates market conditions in the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and West Virginia areas were offset by poorer than expected conditions in the Southeast.

"Our lime business, on the other hand, had a very strong third quarter, exceeding results from a year ago. Shipments to our existing utility customers continued at a high level, and the long-term prospects for this important market received a significant boost with the progress made in Congress this week toward enactment of a new federal Clean Air Act. The development of improved lime-based flue gas desulfurization (FGD) technology is key to our success in the post-Clean Air Act FGD market, and the contract awarded to Dravo Lime Co. during the third quarter by the U.S. Department of Energy to continue the development of a nitrogen oxides (NOx) removal process compatible with our Thiosorbic(R) process for sulfur-dioxide (SO2) removal represents and important step in that direction," Torbert added.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The Coca-Cola Company (NYSE: KO) today named Peter S. Sealey to the new position of Director, Global Marketing.

In this new position, Mr. Sealey will have responsibility for the corporate departments of advertising, media services, marketing research, sports and licensing, planning, promotions, new product development, and the marketing aspects of packaging. In addition, he will be responsible for international marketing services and international post-mix.

Mr. Sealey will report to Ira C. Herbert, executive vice president of The Coca-Cola Company.

"Peter Sealey brings a breadth of experience to this position, including a track record of success within the Coca-Cola system," said Mr. Herbert. "We are confident he will continue that success in his new role."

Mr. Sealey originally joined The Coca-Cola Company in 1969 after considerable experience in consumer goods marketing. He held a number of key marketing positions in the Company before becoming vice president, marketing planning for Coca-Cola USA in 1976. In 1982 he became vice president, marketing operations, for The Coca-Cola Company. He subsequently joined Columbia Pictures Industries Inc. in 1985 and was named president of marketing and distribution for Columbia.

Mr. Sealey will assume his new position on Dec. 1, 1990. He is completing doctoral studies in strategic management at the Peter F. Drucker Graduate Management Center of Claremont Graduate School in California.

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#90298p9657 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
DAVENPORT, Iowa (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - On Oct. 25, 1990, the board of directors of Iowa-Illinois Gas and Electric Co. (NYSE: IWG) declared a regular quarterly common dividend of $.4175 per share payable Dec. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 5, 1990. Regular quarterly preferred and preference dividends of $1.09 on the $4.36 series preferred; $1.05 on the $4.22 series preferred; $1.88 on the $7.50 series preferred and $1.975 on $7.90 series preference were also declared, all payable Feb. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record Jan. 4, 1991.

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#90298p9660 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Allen Blattner, chairman of Jetborne International, Inc. (NASDAQ: JETS) (the "company"), announced today that it had received an offer to sell its wholly owned subsidiary, Aircraft Modular Products, Inc. At the same time, the AMP public offering previously announced has been suspended. Total consideration over the period of at least four years will amount to approximately $12,000,000.

The consummation of the transaction will virtually leave the company debt free.

The transaction is subject to a definitive contract, board approval and certain other matters.

Blattner is considering presenting a proposal to the board of directors to use the excess cash consideration received from AMP sale after payment of debts to repurchase shares of its common stock and indicated that this proposal is tentative and subject to a board approval and receipt of a written report from an outside expert investment banking firm.

The company subsidiary commenced the executive seat manufacturing in 1983. AMP later added a flight control repair division and more recently became a manufacturer of first and business class aircraft seats for commercial aircraft as well as interior components and galleys. Blattner estimated that the net sales of AMP during the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990 were approximately $8,500,000 and the group sales for the same period were approximately $23,000,000.

Allen Blattner stated that the transaction hopefully should be approved by the board of directors and would be finalized by Dec. 1, 1990.

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#90298p9662 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Beth A. Dinndorf has been promoted to senior vice president-commercial work-out division for First Bank System, Inc. (FBS) (NYSE: FBS). She previously served as vice president of special loans-commercial division.

Dinndorf has 17 years experience in commercial banking. She joined FBS in 1983 as an assistant vice president in the Special Loans-Commercial Department and was promoted to vice president in 1985. Prior to joining FBS, she was vice president and manager of the Transportation Department of American National Bank in St. Paul.

She holds a B.A. in mathematics from the College of St. Benedict and received her J.D. in commercial and bankruptcy law from the William Mitchell College of Law.

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#90298p9665 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHULA VISTA, CA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - First International Bank (OTC "Pink Sheets") released its 1990 third quarter earnings report, indicating continued progress toward the fulfillment of its 1990 growth objectives. Total earnings for this period were $168,000, a 205 percent increase over the same period in 1989 when total earnings were $55,000.

First International Bank's performance measurements for the first nine months of 1990, as compared with 1989, are as follows: asset growth was 40 percent, to $54.8 million from $39.1 million; net loans increased 62 percent, to $39.2 million from $24.2 million; deposits increased 41 percent to $50.2 million from $35.6 million; net earnings increased 29 percent to $441,000 from $341,000 (this represents $.15 per share, compared to $.11 per share in 1989); shareholder equity and reserves increased 30 percent to $4.7 million from $3.6 million. The gross capital asset ratio is 8.5 percent.

Strong performances in all areas are reflected in this third quarter report with significant contributions from commercial business loans, particularly SBA export lending, construction lending for residential and industrial projects and the expanded sale of money orders through the bank's statewide network.

Additional services now available through the Professional Lending Department include customized credit and deposit services to professionals, including time-saving courier service and home equity lines of credit.

First International Bank's own Gold Visa and Mastercards are now available, along with high-yielding annuities and free accidental death insurance on time certificates of deposit.

The bank continues its active community involvement with local chambers of commerce and business leaders in Chula Vista, National City and Otay Mesa, Calif., to promote new business opportunities and work toward the positive resolution of local issues.

Pleased with the third quarter report, First International Bank President Norman E. Richins stated, "The Bank is well focused on accomplishing its goals for 1990. Additionally, we continue to take particular pride in the quality of service provided by our employees; and, most important, customer satisfaction remains the best measurement of our efforts."

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BOCA RATON, FLA. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Myo-Tech Corp. (NASDAQ: MYOT) announced today that it has abandoned its proposed tender offer of all the common stock of Unifast Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: UFST). Myo-Tech further announced that it has agreed in principal to acquire from Unifast its wholly owned subsidiary, Protective Apparel Corporation of America for the sum of $2,500,000. The purchase price is to be paid as follows; $1,500,000 in cash at closing, and the delivery of a $1,000,000 promissory note payable eighteen (18) from the closing date. The transaction is subject to a number of conditions, including but not limited to receiving board approval from both companies as well as shareholder approval.

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#90298p9670 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Cambrex Corporation (NASDAQ: CBAM), announced that its board of directors today declared the company's regular quarterly cash dividend on its common stock of 5 cents per share for its shareholders of record as of Nov. 9, 1990. The dividend is payable Nov. 30, 1990.

Cambrex Corporation manufactures a broad line of specialty chemicals, fine chemicals and commodity chemical intermediates. The chemical families of castor oil, pyridine, organometallics, succinic anhydrides, organobromines and ammonia reaction chemistry are used by the company to produce compounds for its five product categories: Urethane Systems and Additives, Coatings Health

and Cosmetic Products, Agricultural Chemical Intermediates, and Specialty and Fine Chemicals.

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#90298p9673 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Assets of the nation's 519 money market mutual funds decreased by $673.1 million to $414.44 billion for the week ended Wednesday, Oct. 24, the Investment Company Institute reported today.

The 160 institutional funds rose by $10.5 million to $102.94 billion; the 255 general-purpose funds fell by $478.3 million to $146.30 billion; and the 104 broker-dealer funds decreased by $205.3 million to $165.20 billion.

Mutual fund total assets for October 17 were not revised. The Institute reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week and makes this data available to the public on a weekly basis. The Institute also reports monthly on three broad categories of funds. They are (1) short-term funds which include limited maturity municipal bond funds, (2) money market funds, and (3) all funds other than short-term funds -- such as stock, income, corporate bond and municipal bond funds.

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#90298p9682 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - It was announced today by Chairman and CEO William E. Bindley that the board of directors declared a cash dividend of 1-1/2 cents per share payable to shareholders of record Nov. 9, 1990, payable Dec. 5, 1990.

The company indicated that this is the second cash dividend in the company's history. The initial dividend of the same amount was paid on Sept. 5, 1990.

Bindley Western (NASDAQ: BIND), with 1990 revenues expected to approach $2 billion, is one of the largest drug wholesalers in the United States and specializes in the distribution of ethical pharmaceuticals and related products. The firm serves customers in 39 states through distribution centers in Atlanta, Brockton, Mass., Charlotte, N.C., Dallas, Houston, Indianapolis, North Hollywood, Calif., Orlando, Fla., Phoenix, Ariz. and Stamford, Conn.

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#90298p9685 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - As previously announced, Bank of Boston Corporation (NYSE: BKB) reported today a net loss for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990. The net loss amounted to $255 million, or $3.53 per common share fully diluted, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with a net loss of $125 million, or $1.82 per share, for the same quarter a year ago. For the first nine months, the net loss was $208 million, or $3.01 per share, compared with net income of $62 million, or 72 cents per share, for the same period a year ealier.

During the quarter, nonperforming assets declined $100 million to $1,857 million at Sept. 30 from $1,957 million at June 30. The June 30 balance had also declined from $1,981 million at March 31, 1990.

Results for the third quarter included:

-- provision for credit losses of $200 million and net loan losses of $175 million;

-- OREO valuation write-downs of $35 million;
-- restructuring charge of $50 million related, in part, to the announced planned reduction of at least 1,500 employees;

-- tax charge of $37 million related to the inability to use foreign tax credits currently, and

-- extraordinary gain of $20 million, net of tax, from the repurchase of some of the corporation's debt.

Chairman and chief executive officer Ira Stepanian said, "This quarter's results reflect our intense efforts to respond to the significant challenges of a declining economy and a weakened real estate market. Our determination to act aggressively is evidenced by the fact that our continued pro-active management of credit helped us reduce nonperformers for the second consecutive quarter in 1990. We have dedicated substantial resources to managing these credits and we are working vigorously to sustain this positive trend. In addition, our recently announced expense reduction program, with its goals to be achieved by the third quarter of 1991, is another critical element in positioning our franchise for future profitability." Stepanian noted that capital and reserves for credit losses were $2.8 billion, and that the corporation exceeds regulatory requirements for capital adequacy. He also pointed out that the corporation maintains over $7 billion of liquid assets.

Bank of Boston Corporation with assets of $37 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, is a New England-based superregional bank holding company with both national and international operations.

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ABBOTT PARK, IL (OCT. 25) Abbott Laboratories (NYSE: ABT) announced today that the Food and Drug Administration has approved the marketing of Lupron Depot for the treatment of endometriosis, a disease that affects an estimated 1 in 15 women of reproductive age and is a leading cause of infertility. Lupron Depot (leuprolide acetate), a synthetic analog of the naturally occurring gonadotropin releasing hormone (GnRH), is marketed by TAP Pharmaceuticals, a joint venture between Abbott Laboratories and Takeda Chemical Industries of Japan.

Hank Pietraszek, president of TAP Pharmaceuticals, said "This approval is the result of our continuing research and development efforts to examine the benefits that GnRH analogs can bring to women suffering from a variety of gynecologic disorders. We now have clinical studies underway in the treatment of fibroid tumors and infertility, and are committed to maintaining our leadership position in this promising field of research.

Endometriosis is an often painful condition in which endometrial tissue, the tissue that lines the uterus, grows elsewhere in the body -- often on the ovaries and other organs in the pelvic cavity. Like the lining of the uterus, areas of endometriosis respond to the hormones of the menstrual cycle. They build up tissue each month then breakdown and bleed during menstruation. This process causes local irritation in the pelvis which can result in pain and the formation of scar tissue.

Endometriosis and the resulting scar tissue can lead to infertility, chronic pelvic pain, painful urination and bowel movements, pain during sexual intercourse and increasingly painful menstrual discomfort.

Endometriosis affects five million women in the U.S., according to the Endometriosis Association, a patient support and educational organization based in Milwaukee.

When taken over a period of six months, Lupron Depot causes a sustained decrease in the production of estrogen, which interrupts the menstrual cycle and produces a reversible medically induced menopause. As a result, endometrial implants shrink, providing significant relief from the pain associated with the disease.

Current treatment for endometriosis includes conservative surgery to eliminate or reduce the size of the endometrial lesions; surgical removal of the ovaries (which produce estrogen); removal of the uterus (hysterectomy) with removal of

the ovaries; drug treatment with danazol, a synthetic androgen; or medical treatment with GnRH analogs.

TAP Pharmaceuticals, which was formed in 1977, is headquartered in Deerfield, Ill.

Abbott Laboratories is a worldwide manufacturer of health care products, employing 42,000 people. In 1989 the company's sales and net earnings were $5.4 billion and $860 million, respectively, with earnings per share of $1.93.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Cyclops Industries Inc. (NYSE: CYC) reported net income of $1.7 million or $.24 per share on sales of $299.2 million, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $9.5 million or $1.31 per share on sales of $320.2 million for the same period in 1989, it was announced today.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $6.0 million or ($.86) per share which includes restructuring charges taken in the second quarter. Excluding the charges, the company earned net income of $3.3 million or $.46 per share for the nine-month period. This compares with net income of $32.6 million or $4.54 per share in the previous year.

James F. Will, president and chief executive officer, said, "Depressed earnings from our flat-rolled operations coupled with a loss from the high performance alloy products segment reduced overall company income before taxes to a breakeven position. However, a net tax adjustment related to the restructuring charges brought earnings to $.24 per share for the quarter," he said. "As we announced when the high performance alloys operations were restructured in the second quarter," said Will, "they will likely show a loss for the remainder of the year."

Will said, "A year ago this time, we reported strong performance in flat-rolled products. In contrast, during the third quarter of this year, lower sales volumes, lower selling prices and higher manufacturing costs resulted in reduced profitability for this segment, particularly for carbon flat-rolled products. Manufacturing cost increases were due primarily to labor scrap and other raw materials."

Will said the flat-rolled segment is feeling the impact of a slowdown in consumer spending, particularly in automobiles and housing, coupled with cautious buying from steel distributors. He said, "Price increases for carbon

steels and some stainless products have been announced but will not take effect until later in the quarter or early in 1991.

"Cyclops tubular steel products posted higher earnings than a year ago," said Will, "primarily as a result of increased shipments. This segment continues to show strength, particularly in pipe for oil and gas transmission.

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DETROIT (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Carlo Environmental Technologies (CET), Inc., a soil remediation and chemical fixation firm, has been contracted by the City of Detroit to perform a unique site remediative service on Detroit's Porterfield's Marina Village, a 62-acre luxury marina development scheduled for opening on the Detroit River in the spring of 1991.

The announcement was made by J. Michael Carlo, president of Carlo Environmental Technologies, Inc.

"Essentially, we are utilizing Slurry Wall technology to safely and effectively treat a few small isolated areas of land where lead deposits were found," said Mr. Carlo.

According to Mr. Carlo, Slurry Wall technology is a unique and modern construction technique in which a contaminated area of soil is treated on site by isolating it with a wall of impermeable bentonite compound. The specialized wall is flexible to compensate for any land shifts, yet is wholly impermeable.

"The major benefit of a Slurry Wall is that we are making use of land that would otherwise have to be evacuated," said Mr. Carlo. "Before this technology a developer was really faced with a no-win situation in terms of what could be done to treat the contaminant."

Carlo said that less than 1,200 feet of Slurry Wall on the 62-acre development was being constructed on site, and that once the Slurry Wall was complete, the land would be used as a parking facility for Porterfield's Marina Village.

Carlo Environmental Technologies, Inc. is a soil remediation chemical fixation firm specializing in providing waste treatment and management services to commercial, industrial and governmental generators of waste, as well as to developers and property owners who confront waste crises in their development projects.

"The Slurry Wall remediative process is one facet of our remediative services " said Mr. Carlo. "We have the ability to perform all waste management

operations under the sole direction and responsibility of Carlo Environmental Technologies."

CONTACT: Tina Bassett of Bassett & Bassett, Incorporated, 313-567-4150, for Carlo Environmental

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ALLENTOWN, PA. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Products and Chemicals Inc. (NYSE: APD) will increase prices of all of its polyvinyl alcohol grades and Airvol Plus(R) polyvinyl alcohol warp size blends to U.S. and Canadian markets by 3 cents per pound, effective Dec. 1, 1990.

The increases are necessary to recover rapidly rising raw material costs incurred since the last polyvinyl alcohol price increase.

CONTACT: Greta Campbell of Air Products, 215-481-4986

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ROSEMONT, IL (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - At the regular meeting of Lindberg Corp.'s (NASDAQ: LIND) board of directors today, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer George H. Bodeen announced his retirement from the position of chief executive officer of Lindberg Corp. effective Jan. 1, 1991. He will retain his position as chairman of the board.

Leo G. Thompson, currently president and chief operating officer, will assume the position of chief executive officer on that date. He has held his current position since Sept. 27, 1987.

It was also announced at the meeting that John E. Jones has been elected to the company's board of directors, effective today. Jones is chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of CBI Industries, Inc. in Oak Brook, Ill., and also serves as a director of Allied Products Corp. and Interlake Corp. This increases the number of directors on the Lindberg board to seven.

Finally, the board of directors today also declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.07 per common share. The dividend paid in the previous quarter was $.07 per share. The dividend is payable Dec. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 9, 1990. The company has 4,669,207 common shares outstanding.

CONTACT: S.S. Penley of Lindberg, 708-823-2021

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TAMPA, FLA. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Poe & Associates Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: POEA) announced a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.10 per share, payable on Nov. 27 to stockholders of record Nov. 9.

The dividend was declared at the board of directors meeting held on Oct. 25.

Poe & Associates Inc. is among the nation's leading independent insurance agency organizations. The company has offices throughout Florida and in Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Georgia, New Jersey, North Carolina and Texas.

CONTACT: Donald E. Howery, vice president and treasurer of Poe & Associates, 813-222-4100

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#90298p9705 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
WALTHAM, MASS. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - MaxCom USA, Inc. announced today that it has added a document translation capability to its public electronic mail service Maxlink International.

The new capability, offered in conjunction with WORDNET, Inc. of Acton, Mass., allows Maxlink subscribers to send and receive documents via e-mail, fax or telex for translation into foreign languages.

"Maxlink users, which are primarily international enterprises, can now send documents to hundreds of subject-qualified foreign language translators, and receive their translations electronically," said Max Locatelli, MaxCom's sales manager.

WORDNET translations cost $25 per hundred words within a minimum of $50 per translation. For special projects the charges will vary depending on document length and number of target languages selected. Job estimates and volume discounts are available.

MaxCom develops and markets electronic messaging systems including the Maxlink International public service, which is available on a subscription basis from over 700 cities worldwide, and the COMET Electronic Mail system for DEC computers.

CONTACT: Max Locatelli of MaxCom, 617-890-8822

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#90298p9707 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Ocean Drilling & Exploration Co. (ODECO) (NYSE: ODR) reported net income of $18,470,000, or $0.36 per common share, for

the quarter ended Sept. 30.

Such net income, which was all attributable to the company's continuing oil and gas operations, included an after-tax gain of $20,556,000, or $0.40 per common share, on the sale of a 2.125 percent interest in the Ninian field located in the U.K. sector of the North Sea. The current quarter also included a non-cash charge of $9,342,000, or $0.18 per common share, for the writedown of the carrying value of the Gaviota field, offshore Spain, as a result of a reserve study completed during the current quarter.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, the company reported a net loss of $46,920,000, or $0.91 per common share, which included a loss from the continuing oil and gas operations of $513,000, or $0.01 per common share. The net loss for the third quarter of 1989 also included income from discontinued diving operations of $4,510,000, or $0.09 per common share, and a loss from discontinued contract drilling operations of $13,676,000 or $0.27 per common share. In addition, the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, included an estimated loss on disposal of the contract drilling operations of $37,241,000, or $0.72 per common share. Such amount reflected certain costs associated with the company's restructuring efforts pertaining to its contract drilling business and a $32,326,000 provision for estimated future losses of the contract drilling business from Oct. 1, 1989, through the expected completion date of restructuring.

Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $82,370,000 compared to third quarter 1989 revenues of $55,015,000. Such revenues included oil and gas revenues of $53,921,000 ($51,758,000 in 1989), and interest and other revenues of $28,449,000 ($3,257,000 in 1989). Other revenues in the third quarter of 1990 included a pre-tax gain of $23,886,000 from the sale of the interest in the Ninian field. Exploratory expenses, including dry hole costs, were $6,788,000 in the current quarter compared with $7,790,000 a year earlier.

Drilling and related revenues of the discontinued contract drilling operations which are no longer included in the company's results of operations, totaled $39,147,000 for the third quarter of 1990 compared to $25,585,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The loss from operations totaled $5,201,000 in the current quarter compared to the $13,676,000 loss of a year ago. The third quarter of 1990 benefited from a reduction in depreciation of approximately $3,150,000 as a result of an extension in the estimated remaining useful lives of certain drilling barges.

CONTACT: Albert W. Spindler of Ocean Drilling and Exploration Company, 504-561-2282.

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PORTLAND, ORE. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Oregon Steel Mills Inc. (NYSE: OS) at

its board of directors' meeting today, declared a quarterly cash dividend of 12 cents per share. This represents a 20 percent increase from the 10 cents per share dividend paid in the preceding quarter (adjusted for a two-for-one stock split paid on Oct. 11, 1990). The dividend will be paid on Nov. 30 to shareholders of record Nov. 6.

Oregon Steel is a producer of steel plate and large-diameter steel pipe with facilities in Portland, Ore., Napa and Fontana, Calif.

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#90298p9711 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

PAOLI, PA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Frank S. Hermance, 41, will join Ametek Inc. (NYSE: AME) on Nov. 12 as group vice president with responsibility for the operations of the diversified manufacturer's two largest instrument businesses, according to Walter E. Blankley, Ametek's president and chief executive officer.

In this new position, Hermance will report to Roger K. Derr, the corporation's executive vice president and chief operating officer.

Hermance will work from the company's Paoli headquarters, Blankley said. Reporting to Hermance as group vice president will be Ametek's U.S. Gauge division headquartered in Sellersville, Pa., and the company's Aerospace Products Inc. subsidiary in Wilmington, Mass. Together these businesses employ more than 2,500 people and are the largest components of Ametek's $300 million (annual sales) Precision Instruments group.

Hermance moves to Ametek from Tektronix, of Beavertown, Ore., where he was manager of several instrument divisions and most recently served as general manager of that company's largest operation, the Waveform Measurement division the world's leading oscilloscope producer with about half of its sales to customers outside of the United States.

Previous to that Hermance was senior vice president of operations for Combustion Engineering's Taylor Instrument Co., in Rochester, N.Y. A native of Kingston, N.Y., he joined Taylor Instrument as an engineer after earning an undergraduate degree in electrical engineering from Rochester Institute of Technology in 1971 and two years later was awarded a master's degree in electrical engineering from the same school. Hermance was named vice president of engineering at Taylor Instrument in 1981 and later served as vice president of engineering and marketing before becoming senior vice president in 1983.

He and his wife, the former Cheryl Donahue, have a son, David, who is a graduate student at Oregon State University.

Ametek, a Fortune 500 industrial manufacturer listed on the New York Stock Exchange since 1930, has 20 plants in the Unites States and four in Europe which produced sales last year of $588 million.

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#90298p9713 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

EVANSVILLE, IND. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - American General Finance, the nation's fifth largest consumer finance company, today announced record third quarter earnings of $31.7 million. This represents a 55 percent increase over 1989 third quarter earnings of $20.5 million. This strong third quarter performance follows a record for earnings established in the second quarter. Total net income for the nine-month period was $89.4 million compared with $64.2 million during the same period of 1989 -- an increase of nearly 40 percent.

Roy W. Haley, president and chief executive officer, said he believes the record results are directly attributable to continuous improvement in customer improvement in customer service: "We're listening to customers nationwide, understanding the unique qualities of different market segments, and developing needed products and services. And consumers are responding."

Outstanding receivables for the quarter and year-to-date 1990 increased when compared with the same periods in 1989, and continued growth is expected. The credit quality of the total loan portfolio has also improved, reflecting sound lending practices and high stability in the company's customer base.

"These achievements are the result of effective marketing and operational control," Haley said. "We are encouraged by the positive trends and strong operating results, since the industry typically shows its strongest performance in the fourth quarter of the year."

American General Finance, headquartered in Evansville, Ind., operates a branch network of nearly 1,200 offices in 42 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. The company, a subsidiary of American General Corporation (NYSE: AGC) of Houston, provides nearly two million customers with consumer and home equity loans; indirect retail financing; life, health, and property insurance; and credit card services.

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TORONTO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Fahnestock Viner Holdings Inc. today reported

the following third quarter and nine month results:

FAHNESTOCK VINER HOLDINGS INC.
(Unaudited -- expressed in thousands of US$)

	Third quarter		Nine months	
Periods ended Sept. 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$ 22,731	$ 21,052	$ 64,703	$ 63,503
Net profit	$ 530	$ 1,741	$ 1,801	$ 3,890
Net profit per share	$ 0.05	$ 0.15	$ 0.16	$ 0.35

Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were US$1,801,000 or 16 cents per share, compared to US$3,890,000 or 35 cents per share for the corresponding period in 1989.

Third quarter earnings for 1990 were US$530,000 or 5 cents per share compared to US$1,741,000 or 15 cents per share in 1989.

The results for 1990 include the operations of the ten B.C. Christopher branches since their acquisition on March 26, 1990.

Trading volumes in the U.S. securities markets are at a very low level. The current uncertainties about the resolution of the Mid-East crisis, recessionary worries about the U.S. economy, and the failure of Congress in the United States to pass a budget have left the marketplace in the doldrums since the end of August 1990. Until these issues are resolved, the company does not see an end to the low volumes presently encountered.

With the addition of the branches acquired from B.C Christopher, the company has maintained its overall revenue base in these difficult economic times. The larger network is in place, operating smoothly, and poised to take advantage of any breaks the market offers.

Effective Oct. 17, 1990, the company became fully registered on the same basis as a U.S. domestic company with the SEC and will file reports on Forms 10-K and 10-Q.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Citibank said today that its Card Acceptance Services unit is introducing a new service that provides businesses nationally with faster authorizations on credit card transactions, while reducing chargebacks and fraud associated with card purchases.

The product, called DirectSolutions, is designed to increase the number and

speed of credit card transaction approvals and sales for direct mail companies catalog retailers, and businesses in repetitive billing industries. It also provides a wide range of authorization, settlement, and information services on transactions paid for by customers with credit cards.

DirectSolutions will be officially introduced at the Direct Marketing Association Annual Conference and Exhibition held in San Francisco beginning on Oct. 28.

"Companies need fast, accurate, and convenient card processing. They also need innovative services to reduce the impact of fraud and chargebacks," said Bruce M. Weber, president of Citicorp Card Acceptance Services (CAS). "We deliver against these important needs through DirectSolutions -- a system designed to help our clients increase their card transaction approvals and, ultimately, their profitability. It's programs like DirectSolutions that specifically address a business's requirements, plus our commitment to service excellence, that set Citibank apart from the competition."

The Key benefits of the totally automated DirectSolutions services, Mr. Weber pointed out, are fast and immediate authorizations, improved address verification systems and enhanced chargeback protection "expert system" programs aimed at cutting down on reversed credit card transactions. This includes advance notification of potential chargebacks and automated tracking, analysis, and reversal of incoming chargebacks.

Through DirectSolutions, clients obtain access to Citibank's 29 million cardholders by publishing their customer service telephone numbers on the cardholder's billing statement. This service can help further reduce chargebacks and increase sales.

Other features of DirectSolutions include enhanced settlement, deposit, and funds availability, customized management reports and analysis, and a wide variety of networking capabilities.

CAS provides a full range of credit card processing services, including support for all Visa, MasterCard, Diner's Club, Carte Blanche, Discover and American Express, as well as check guarantee services. Headquartered in Melville, Long Island, CAS has operating and customer service facilities in Hagerstown, Maryland and Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

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#90298p9720 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MT. HOLLY, NJ (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Franklin Electronic Publishers Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FPUB) today announced a loss for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $1,802,000 or $.27 per share compared with earnings of $1,355,000

or $.20 per share for the same quarter one year ago.

Sales were $17,726,000, 18 percent lower than sales of $21,515,000 reported in 1989. For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales were $29,762,000, 8 percent lower than those of $32,289,000 for the comparable period last year. The company lost $4,580,000 for the six months, or $.70 per share, as compared with earnings of $134,000 or $.02 per share in the same period last year.

Morton E. David, Franklin's chairman, said, "The lower level of sales was caused in part by the sluggish economy and in part by retailers, maintaining lower inventory levels and postponing their purchase of Christmas merchandise until later in the season. The company's losses include charges of $790,000 in connection with the consolidation of four facilities into one."

David also stated, "Franklin met its goal to place its inventories in line by the end of the September quarter. Our inventories decreased to $12,200,000 at September 30 from $25,300,000 a year ago. The company now stands poised to reap the benefits of higher gross margins. With new, cost reduced products now being produced, we feel that we can return to profitability in the second half of our fiscal year."

Franklin publishes a library of 20 hand-held electronic reference products with more than 3 million sold throughout the world, including the popular Spelling Ace(R) spelling corrector, Language Master(TM) electronic dictionaries, and Wordmaster(R) electronic thesauruses. Franklin's publication list is being broadened to include hand-held electronic versions of "The Columbia Concise Encyclopedia" and "Bartlett's Familiar Quotations."

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#90298p9721 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOWNEY, CA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Rockwell International Corp.'s (NYSE: ROK) Space Systems Division (SSD) has been named a recipient of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) 1990 George M. Low Trophy, the federal space agency's highest industry performance award.

Presenting the award Wednesday at the Seventh Annual NASA/Contractors Conference in Grenelefe, Fla., NASA Deputy Administrator J.R. Thompson Jr., said the trophy was given in recognition of Rockwell SSD's "exceptional performance in attaining a level of quality and productivity that commands our respect and deep appreciation." Rockwell SSD is prime contractor for NASA's Space Shuttle orbiters and is involved in the design, development, production and integration of other manned and unmanned space vehicles and supporting hardware for NASA and the Department of Defense.

Accepting the award on behalf of the division and its subcontractor and supplier partners, Rockwell SSD President Robert G. Minor called the honor a significant milestone in the division's history. "Since the inception of the space program, Rockwell has been a pacesetter in support of NASA manned space technology and operations," he said. "We are tremendously honored to receive this recognition from NASA, and know that it will serve as a catalyst for further quality and productivity gains in support of America's space objectives. I'm proud of the thousands of people whose contributions have made this prestigious honor possible."

The George M. Low Trophy, formerly known as the NASA Excellence Award for Quality and Productivity, recognizes NASA prime contractors, subcontractors and suppliers for outstanding achievement in quality and productivity improvement and Total Quality Management (TQM). The award is designed to institutionalize quality and productivity practices and TQM processes throughout NASA and its contractors and to transfer performance improvement methods of the award recipients to others.

Nine finalists were selected to compete for the 1990 award. Finalists were chosen by NASA's Excellence Award Evaluation Committee following a six-month application and review process. Validation teams then visited finalists' facilities to verify performance and process achievements.

Marotta Scientific Controls Inc., Montville, N.J., also received the award in the newly established small business category.

Rockwell SSD is headquartered in Downey and has major facilities in Houston; Huntsville, Ala.; and Cape Canaveral, Fla., supporting NASA's Johnson Space Center, Marshall Space Flight Center and Kennedy Space Center, respectively. Other SSD facilities are located in Palmdale and Bell, Calif.; and at the John C. Stennis Space Center, Miss. Total division employment is approximately 12,000.

Rockwell International is a $12 billion multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses.

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#90298p9723 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE: AR) today reported net earnings of $59,399,000 or $1.43 per common share, for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990, compared with net earnings of $52,717,000, or $1.25 per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

Sales of products and services were $594,280,000 in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $522,254,000 in the same period of 1989.

For the nine-months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Asarco reported net earnings of $145,365,000, or $3.50 per share, compared with net earnings of $172,052,000, or $4.08 per share, in the comparable period in 1989.

Sales of products and services for the first nine months of 1990 were $1,658,659,000 compared with $1,679,747,000 in 1989.

The increase in sales in the 1990 third quarter, compared with those of the prior-year period, was the result of higher prices and volumes for copper and lead despite lower prices for silver. Net earnings for the 1990 third quarter compared favorably with those of the prior-year period due both to higher prices in the quarter for copper and lead and to $6.4 million net after tax of non-recurring charges taken in the 1989 third quarter. Earnings in the current quarter were also affected by lower silver prices and to a lesser extent by higher costs at its Ray Mine in Arizona, whose production was affected by adverse weather conditions in July and August and a three-week labor strike in July.

Commenting on third-quarter earnings, Richard de J. Osborne, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Asarco said, "The company's results in the 1990 third quarter reflect good operating performance and good demand for the base metals we produce. Market demand for copper, lead and zinc remained strong in the quarter despite some economic weakness in certain of the industries we serve. We see continued strong demand for our products for the balance of the year."

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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#90298p9724 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Ply Gem Industries Inc. (AMEX: PGI) today declared its regular quarterly dividend of three cents ($.03) per share payable Dec. 6, 1990 to stockholders of record Nov. 15, 1990.

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#90298p9725 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
ALLENTOWN, PA. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph C. Krum of Lancaster, vice president of Pennsylvania Power & Light Co.'s (NYSE: PPL) Lancaster division, has been appointed senior vice president-division operations, effective Nov. 12, the company announced today.

He will succeed Bruce D. Kenyon who has resigned as senior vice president-division operations, effective Nov. 9, to become president and chief operating officer of South Carolina Electric & Gas Co. in Columbia, S.C.

Krum will be succeeded by Alden F. Wagner Jr. of Willow Street, superintendent of plant-Holtwood operations.

As senior vice president-division operations, Krum will be a member of PP&L's corporate management committee. He will report directly to William F. Hecht, executive vice president-operations. Wagner will report to Krum.

As head of division operations, Krum will have the overall responsibility for the company's operating, marketing and economic development and customer services functions.

Wagner, as head of the Lancaster division, will have responsibility for the marketing and economic development, customer service and operating functions in a 1,200 square-mile division areas that takes in all of Lancaster County and parts of Berks, Chester, Lebanon and York counties.

He will have overall responsibility for nearly 365 employees who provide quality electric service to about 200,000 customers.

PP&L supplies electric service to a 10,000-square-mile area of 29 counties of Central Eastern Pennsylvania. Among the communities it serves are Allentown, Bethlehem, Harrisburg, Hazleton, Lancaster, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and Williamsport.

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#90298p9728 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
KEARNY, NJ (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Goody Products, Inc. (NASDAQ: GOOD) today reported a significant improvement in net earnings on a slight decline in sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company achieved net earnings in the 1990 third quarter of $380,000, equal to $.06 per share, versus a year earlier third quarter loss of $992,000 or $.15 per share. Third quarter net sales were $52,246,000 compared with $53,753,000 in the similar 1989 period.

For the first nine months of 1990, net sales were $174,909,000 with resultant net income of $4,301,000 or $.66 per share. This compares with net sales of $180,239,000 and net earnings of $2,345,000 or $.36 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Leonard Goodman, chairman and chief executive officer, said that, as was the case in the second quarter, gross margins improved significantly despite lower sales, reflecting a combination of reduced factory costs and higher selling prices. The small decline in third quarter sales can primarily be attributed to soft economic conditions which resulted in cautious purchasing by retailers. "Not only did we witness this in the United States, but our Goody Canada subsidiary also experienced a decline in sales," Goodman said.

Goodman also noted that interest expense declined in the three month period due to the success of Goody's inventory reduction programs which resulted in a lower level of borrowings. Moreover, interest income rose as a result of the company's short term liquid investments.

Goody Products, Inc. is engaged in the design, manufacture and marketing of a wide variety of hair accessories and owns and operates three additional consumer products subsidiaries and divisions; Opti-Ray, a designer and marketer of high quality fashion sunglasses; Ace Comb, a manufacturer of premium, quality hard rubber combs and Pretty Neat Products, a producer of plastic cosmetic organizers.

GOODY PRODUCTS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS
(UNAUDITED)

Period ended	Third quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$52,246,000	$53,753,000	$174,909,000	$180,239,000
Before tax income (loss) from operations	684,000	(1,572,000)	7,255,000	4,023,000
Provision (credit) for inc. taxes	304,000	(580,000)	2,954,000	1,678,000
Net earnings (loss)	380,000	(992,000)	4,301,000	2,345,00
Net earnings (loss) per share	.06	(.15)	.66	.36
Wtd. avg. no. of common shares outstanding	6,537,179	6,525,012	6,532,901	6,525,012

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COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Irvine Sensors Corp. (NASDAQ: IRSN) announced today the receipt of a $2,575,000 contract award from the U.S. Army Strategic Defense Command, Huntsville, Ala., to demonstrate advanced technology for a new generation of Kinetic Energy Weapon (KEW) homing guidance sensors. The Army contract award is a 33-month follow-on to earlier work performed by Irvine under Small Business Innovation Research ("SBIR") programs funded by the Strategic Defense Initiative Organization ("SDIO"), Innovative Science and Technology Office.

The objective of this new effort is to demonstrate a small, lightweight infrared guidance sensor for a "hit-to-kill" missile which is a homing interceptor. Such an interceptor must detect its target as early as possible and process a rapid series of "looks" at that target within the last few seconds of the missile's flight. Very high data rates are required during the "end game" homing in order to achieve enough terminal guidance accuracy to destroy the target by impact rather than blast effects. Irvine plans to demonstrate technology on the Army program which could both allow the target to be recognized earlier and marketedly increase the number of "looks" that can be processed by the interceptor.

Irvine's approach to extending the target recognition range involves the use of an innovative technique called "Dynamite Stare" which permits motion discrimination directly on a sensor's focal plane. Such a discrimination provides for earlier recognition of a target's motion against background clutter and adds valuable time to the interceptor's terminal guidance phase maneuver.

To improve processing speed and accuracy during the terminal guidance phase itself, Irvine plans to use its pioneering technology for stacking integrated circuits to package over 16,000 signal processing channels directly on the sensor's focal plane in a volume about the size of a sugar cube. Each of these channels will continuously amplify, interpret and digitize the output of a separate detector element. This massively parallel architecture is similar to the computational approach utilized by modern supercomputers. The technique will allow the missile sensor to saturate its field of view with virtually continuous coverage and rapidly isolate those detector elements which are viewing the target. The speed of this process is far faster than conventional off-focal plane processing and is the fundamental reason for the improved terminal accuracy possible with Irvine's approach.

Irvine Sensors, headquartered in Costa Mesa, is primarily engaged in the development of infrared devices and high density packages of computer electronics which are intended to have broad applications in military and commercial systems.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Chris- Craft Industries, Inc. (NYSE: CCN), today declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of 25 cents per share on the company's preferred stock, payable Dec. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

The Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A. is the dividend paying agent.

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#90298p9736 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael Foods (NASDAQ: MIKL) today announced record earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net earnings were $4.5 million, or $.40 per share, as compared with $3.1 million, or $.28 per share, reported in 1989's third quarter. This represented a 43 percent increase in earnings. Net sales rose to $112.4 million from $65.5 million in the previous year's third quarter.

Nine month results were also at record levels. Net earnings rose 74 percent for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, standing at $13.9 million, or $1.25 per share, versus $8.0 million, or $.70 per share, in the same period in 1989. Net sales were $345.0 million versus $178.7 million.

Richard G. Olson, president and chief executive officer, said that sales and earnings were up in all divisions and that the company's Easy Eggs(TM) plant continues to operate profitably. "Our strategies are working," Olson said. "We are definitely seeing the benefits of having consolidated all of our egg businesses earlier this year and we continue to improve our position as a low-cost operator.

"In both our refrigerated distribution division and our potato division we have introduced new products and we are achieving broader geographic sales coverage every quarter. We are also beginning to realize the effects of a good 1990 potato harvest," Olson continued. "Our dairy division operated near capacity during the summer months and we are seeing the benefits from new products in this business as well.

"While we are gratified by the strong results for the first nine months, our strategic focus continues to be on building for the long- term, which we believe will produce the greatest returns for our shareholders."

1990 results reflect the consolidation of the Milton G. Waldbaum Company, as Michael Foods acquired the second half of Waldbaum in the first quarter. During 1989, half of Waldbaum's earnings were recorded within Michael Foods on

the equity basis. Pro forma sales for last year's third quarter and first nine months would have been $97.1 million and $275.1 million, respectively, if Waldbaum had been wholly owned in those periods.

Additionally, the Michael Foods board of directors today unanimously passed a resolution raising the company's regular quarterly cash dividend from $.05 per share to $.075 per share. The new annualized dividend rate is $.30 as compared to the previous $.20 level. The dividend declared today is payable Nov. 19, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 5, 1990.

Michael Foods is a diversified food processor and distributor with particular interests in eggs and egg products, refrigerator case products, frozen and refrigerated potato products, and dairy products, including ultrapasteurized ice milk mix, milk and specialty products. Subsidiaries include the Milton G. Waldbaum Company, Crystal Foods, Inc., Northern Star Company, Kohler Mix Specialties, Inc., Morning Glory Eggs, Inc., Wisco Farm Cooperative, Farm Fresh Foods, Inc., Drallos Potato Co., Inc., Country Queen, Inc. and Reddi Egg America, Inc.

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#90298p9737 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Air China took delivery today of its first widebody freighter, a Boeing 747-200F, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group announced.

Air China Vice President Yan Shi An accepted the plane during delivery ceremonies at Boeing headquarters in Seattle for Boeing's headquarters.

The airline will use the world's largest commercial cargo plane to transport textiles, apparel and other goods from Beijing to Los Angeles, San Francisco, London, Paris and Hong Kong, Yan said. Return flights will carry computers and other electronic items, he added.

The Boeing 747-200 freighter can transport up to 111,500 kilograms of cargo 6,500 kilometers (or lesser amounts more than 10,000 kilometers). Nose-up entry and side cargo doors enable easy loading and unloading of pallets and containers. In addition, the fuselage is environmentally controlled for transport of live animals, perishable foods or temperature-sensitive electronic goods.

Nearly 50 airlines fly Boeing 747 freighters and combination passenger/cargo super jets.

Air China currently operates six 747 combi aircraft, including three new 747-400 combis, the first of which was delivered in October of last year.

"We believe, on the basis of using combis in the past, that we can utilize the all-cargo freighter very well," Yan explained.

He added that Boeing management "up and down the organization" has been extremely helpful during the delivery process.

Boeing has been a partner with China in commercial aviation since 1972, when the Civil Aviation Administration of China (CAAC) ordered 10 Boeing 707s. China since has ordered more than 100 Boeing jets, nearly two-thirds of which have been delivered. On May 31, CAAC placed its largest Boeing order--for 36 aircraft with options for 36 more. Included in the $4-billion(U.S.) order are five advanced-technology 747-400s, four widebody 767-300s, 13 757s and 13 737-300s.

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TROY, MICH. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Canada Limited, a subsidiary of Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM), and Quebec Equity Capital and Company today announced that Kmart Canada has sold Bargain Harold's Discount Limited, a subsidiary of Kmart Canada, to Quebec Equity Capital, an investment partnership sponsored by many of Canada's largest institutional investors. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Kmart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,331 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse Clubs and The Sports Authority.

Kmart Corporation's stock is listed on the New York, Pacific, Midwest and Tokyo stock exchanges. Its trading symbol is KM.

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#90298p9741 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Lufthansa German Airlines will operate close to 400 flights weekly out of Berlin starting Sunday in its first Berlin timetable in 50 years, the airline announced today. The airline will offer a total of 386 domestic and international connections to the city that has once again become the capital of a unified Germany.

Lufthansa will fly from Tegal Airport in western Berlin to eight German and 12 European cities, and it will fly from Schoenefeld Airport in eastern Berlin to New York (Newark), Tokyo and Moscow.

For more than four decades, Allied regulations have barred the German flag carrier from flying to the city where it was founded in 1926. Lufthansa's chairman, Heinz Ruhnau, recently thanked all those who have helped pave the way for Lufthansa's return to Berlin.

On the German domestic network, Lufthansa will link Berlin with the following cities: Hamburg (Monday to Friday five flights daily/31 connections weekly); Dusseldorf (six flights daily/38 connections weekly); Cologne/Bonn (eight flights daily/51 connections weekly); Frankfurt/Main (16 flights daily/102 connections weekly); Nuremberg (two flights daily/11 connections weekly); Stuttgart (three flights daily/19 connections weekly); Fredrichshafen (one flight daily/five connections weekly) and Munich (five flights daily/32 connections weekly).

Altogether in the 1990-91 winter timetable, Lufthansa will offer 289 weekly connections in and out of Tegal Airport. From Monday through Friday, 46 German domestic connections with Berlin will be available daily in the new timetable.

On intra-Eruopean routes, Lufthansa will have direct flights to Tegel from Helsinki (three connections weekly); Stockholm (four); London-Gatwick (12); Brussels (17); Paris-Charles De Gaulle (12); Basel (10); Zurich (five); Vienna (five); Milan (seven); Barcelona (three) and Madrid (four). There will also be daily flights to Moscow from Schoenefeld Airport. In all, Lufthansa will link Berlin 89 times weekly with other European cities.

Lufthansa's daily flights between Berlin and the United States will operate from Newark International Airport beginning Oct. 28. In the winter timetable, the flight will operate four times weekly via Hamburg and three times weekly via Cologne/Bonn Airport. In April 1991, the flight will become non-stop. Lufthansa's other intercontinental route from Berlin will be a weekly Boeing 747 flight to Tokyo.

Initially, some of these Berlin flights will be flown by Pan Am and EuroBerlin on behalf of Lufthansa.

Further information on flights and fares is available from travel agents or by calling Lufthansa at 800-645-3880 or 718-895-1277.

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CALHOUN, GA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Horizon Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: HRZN) today announced unaudited results for the fourth quarter and twelve months ended Sept. 29, 1990. For the quarter net sales were $77,126,000 which represents a 2.2 percent decrease from the $78,883,000 recorded in the prior year's fourth quarter. The company returned to profitability in the quarter with net earnings of $860,000, or $.16 per share, compared to $855,000, or $.16 per share, in the same period last year.

For fiscal year 1990 sales were $306,006,000 representing a 1.4 percent increase over fiscal year 1989's net sales of $301,718,000. Net losses for the year were $1,543,000, or $.28 per share. For fiscal 1989, net earnings were $5,111,000, or $1.10 per share. At Sept. 29, 1990 Horizon's book value was $10.11 per share.

Commenting on the results, Peter R. Spirer, chairman, stated, "We are pleased to report that in its fourth fiscal quarter, Horizon returned to profitability with the most significant progress made in residential carpet operations. Consolidated pretax profit for the fourth quarter was $1,645,000 compared to $1,069,000 for the previous year's fourth quarter, underscoring the real strength of the turnaround. Looking ahead, we expect the current weak economic climate to make the winter selling season more difficult. Accordingly, we are taking the necessary actions to further reduce costs and generate profitable sales."

Horizons Industries, Inc. manufactures a broad range of residential and commercial carpets marketed through specialty retailers, department stores, design centers, and wholesale distributors. The company also manufactures specialized lines of commercial carpets for the corporate, hospitality and institutional markets through its subsidiary, The Harbinger Company, Inc.

HORIZON INDUSTRIES, INC.
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three months ended		Twelve months ended	
	9/29/90	9/30/89	9/29/90	9/30/89
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Net sales	$77,126	$78,883	$306,006	$301,718
Cost of sales & exps.	75,481	77,814	309,153	293,925
Earns. (loss) before taxes	1,645	1,069	(3,147)	7,793
Income tax expense (benefit)	785	214	(1,604)	2,682
Net earnings (loss)	$ 860	$ 855	$ (1,543)	$ 5,111
Earnings (loss) per common share	.16	.16	(.28)	1.10
Wtd. avg. shrs. outstg.	5,462	5,421	5,444	4,654

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Telematics International, Inc. (NASDAQ: TMAX), announced today that revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $16,056,000 compared to $17,561,000 for the corresponding 1989 period. The company reported a net loss for the third quarter of ($576,000), equivalent to ($.03) per share, compared to net income of $779,000 or $.05 per share, for the comparable period in 1989.

In the third quarter of 1990, the company had a loss from operations of ($708,000) as compared to $1,125,000 of income from operations during the comparable 1989 period. This decline is attributable to an 8.6 percent decrease in sales, lower gross profit margins resulting primarily from the effects of fixed manufacturing expenditures, and a 6.8 percent overall increase in operating expenses.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, Telematics reported a 10.2 percent increase in revenues to $48,728,000 from $44,227,000 for the corresponding 1989 period. The net loss was ($1,020,000), or ($.06) per share compared to a net loss of ($8,215,000), or ($.49) per share, which included a $3,518,000 unusual charge in the second quarter of 1989 related to the write-off of the company's investment in Globenet and a loss from equity investments of $1,382,000. The loss from operations of ($955,000) for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 is down from a ($4,470,000) loss during the comparable 1989 period.

William A. Hightower, president and chief executive officer, stated, "To date, 1990 domestic sales are up 41 percent, operating losses have been reduced by $3.5 million and net losses reduced by $7.2 million as compared to the nine month period in 1989." He added, "The company's cash flow position continues to improve with a $3.0 million increase in cash, up to $10.1 million, and a $1.1 million decrease in debt, down to $5.9 million from Dec. 31, 1989."

Additionally, Hightower said, "In support of the company's objectives of improving long-term profitability and increasing shareholder value, Telematics is in the process of reducing spending in many aspects of business and reducing its workforce by approximately 15 percent. Although we expect a short-term impact from repositioning the company that will include a charge in the fourth quarter for anticipated expenses, we believe these actions will lower Telematics' cost of doing business longer-term and are key to the company's improvement in the future."

Founded in 1982, Telematics designs, manufactures and markets computer systems and software products designed specifically for voice and data communications applications and networks. The company's products include a full range of programmable packet switching systems, low-end protocol converters and

switches, T1 multiplexers, and frame relay switches. Headquartered in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Telematics also has facilities in Calabasas and San Mateo, Calif.; Herndon, Va.; Seminole, Fla.; New York; Houston; Chicago; Altanta; Basingstoke, England; Paris; Frankfurt, Germany.

TELEMATICS INTERNATIONAL, INC.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989 (A)	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989 (A)
Net sales	$16,056	$17,561	$48,728	$44,227
Operating costs and expenses:				
Cost of sales	6,501	6,830	18,746	17,432
Product development	3,534	3,436	10,113	10,639
Sales and marketing	4,639	4,467	14,524	15,170
General and administrative	2,090	1,703	6,300	5,456
	16,764	16,436	49,683	48,697
Income (loss) from operations	(708)	1,125	(955)	(4,470)
Other income (expense):				
Income (loss) from equity investments	16	(122)	(132)	(1,382)
Loss on write-off of investment	--	--	--	(3,518)
Interest income (expense), net	(18)	(198)	(137)	(302)
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	157	143	215	(257)
Other	(23)	(9)	(11)	31
	132	(186)	(65)	(5,428)
Income (loss) before income taxes	(576)	939	(1,020)	(9,898)
Income tax (provision) benefit	--	(160)	--	1,683
Net income (loss)	$(576)	$ 779	$(1,020)	$(8,215)
Earnings (loss) per share:				
Net income (loss)	$ (.03)	$ .05	$ (.06)	$ (.49)
Weighted average shares outstanding	16,864	16,796	16,836	16,749

(A) -- Restated. For details, see the company's 1989 Annual Report to Shareholders.

TELEMATICS INTERNATIONAL, INC.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS
(In thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990 (unaudited)	Dec. 31, 1989 (audited)
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 10,143	$ 7,113

Accounts receivable, net	17,375	23,519
Inventories	12,820	11,907
Refundable income taxes	782	1,240
Prepaid expenses and other	1,439	1,252
Total current assets	42,559	45,031
Investments	1,509	1,641
Property, equipment and leasehold improvements, net	6,673	7,515
Software production costs, net	10,590	9,430
Other assets, net	4,626	4,377
	$ 65,957	$ 67,994
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Note payable	$ 5,850	$ 6,968
Accounts payable	3,569	3,304
Accrued expenses and other	5,076	5,381
Total current liabilities	14,495	15,653
Shareholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, $1.00 par value; authorized 5,000,000 shares, issued none	--	--
Common stock, $.01 par value; authorized 24,000,000 shares, issued and outstanding 16,864,849 at Sept. 30, 1990 and 16,821,165 at Dec. 31, 1989	169	168
Capital in excess of par value	51,195	51,055
Retained earnings	98	1,118
Total shareholders' equity	51,462	52,341
	$ 65,957	$ 67,994

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HIGHLAND PARK, MI (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today reported its U.S. assembly plants schedule for the week of Oct. 29.

Newark (Del.) Assembly Plant will continue to operate two nine-and-a-half-hour daily shifts next week. The plant will also operate two overtime shifts on Saturday, Oct. 27.

The company reported that its Belvidere (Ill.), Sterling Heights (Mich.), Dodge City/Warren (Mich.) Truck, St. Louis II (Fenton, Mo.), and Toledo (Ohio) assembly plants will operate two eight-hour daily shifts next week.

St. Louis I (Fenton) Assembly Plant will operate a single eight-hour daily

shift next week.

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DETROIT, (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Quest BioTechnology, Inc., (NASDAQ: QBIO) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, PolyCell, Inc., has received payment by a leading Japanese pharmaceutical company to non-exclusively license the QUADROMA(TM) technology in the area of thrombolytic therapy, for the reduction of blood clots through fibrinolysis.

Under the agreement, PolyCell may receive additional milestone payments and royalties on product sales. Sumitomo Corporation of Japan, PolyCell's agent and distributor, represented PolyCell in the transaction. Sumitomo continues to seek additional strategic alliances for product development of the QUADROMA technology.

Each year, in the United States alone, there are about 1.5 million heart attacks causing 500,000 deaths. It has been estimated that current thrombolytic therapy has the potential to save over 100,000 lives annually. The use of PolyCell's bispecific monoclonal antibody technology to effectively target fibrinolytic agents such as tissue Plasminogen Activator ("t-PA"), streptokinase or urokinase, to the site of blood clots has been shown to enhance the fibrin binding of these agents, resulting in improved fibrinolysis and a reduction in the size of the blood clot. Studies have also indicated the QUADROMA technology may enable the use of decreased doses of fibrinolytic agents, thereby reducing potential side effects and costs.

"This agreement represents our first alliance with a leading Japanese pharmaceutical company for the development of a therapeutic product and represents a major achievement in our program to commercialize the QUADROMA technology, in the field of cardiovascular therapy," said Jayson D. Pankin, chairman and president of PolyCell and vice president of Quest.

PolyCell, Inc. is a development stage company organized to develop and commercialize the proprietary QUADROMA technology which biologically produces bispecific monoclonal antibodies primarily for cancer, cardiovascular and autoimmune disease therapy and diagnostics applications. PolyCell has corporate relationships with Cetus Corporation, Centocor, Inc., Medicorp, Inc. Sumitomo Corporation and MCA Development BV.

Quest BioTechnology, Inc. is a development stage company organized to acquire, develop and commercialize biotechnology and human health care products and processes. Quest is organized into two groups: the Technology Development Group, which manages Quest's two wholly owned subsidiaries, PolyCell and Quest Blood Substitute, Inc.; and the Clinical Diagnostics Group, formed to

implement turnarounds of diagnostic-based businesses.

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MARIETTA, GA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthdyne Inc. (NASDAQ: HDYN) announced today that its revenues increased 25 percent in the third quarter of 1990 to $34.8 million, with a 47 percent increase in earnings to $2.2 million, or $0.14 per share, from $1.5 million, or $0.09 per share, for the same period in 1989.

Performance for the nine months ended Sept. 30 was also up substantially with earnings of $7.3 million, or $0.45 per share, on revenues of $100 million, compared to earnings of $1.8 million, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $74 million during the first nine months of 1989.

Home Nutritional Services ("HNS"), the 66 percent-owned home infusion therapy subsidiary of the company, had net earnings for the third quarter of $2.1 million on revenues of $21 million, compared to net earnings of $1.8 million on revenues of $17 million in the third quarter of 1989. Healthdyne Technologies continued its strong performance with a 28 percent increase in revenues for the quarter to $8.3 million and a 27 percent increase in operating earnings to $1.1 million over the same quarter in 1989. As previously announced, Healthdyne Perinatal Services launched a new product and service during the third quarter for the care of pregnant women who suffer from hypertension. The expenses associated with the national introduction of this service contributed to an operating loss of $1.67 million for the quarter compared to a loss of $590,000 during the third quarter of 1989, despite a 56 percent increase in revenues during the quarter. Hypertensive patients previously were treated only through hospitalization, but with the use of the new Healthdyne product approved for marketing by the FDA in late July, Healthdyne Perinatal Services becomes the first national company to care for these patients in the home, which offers substantial savings to the health care system and an increase in comfort to the patient.

Parker H. Petit, chairman and chief executive officer of Healthdyne stated: "Although HNS had a shortfall in their September revenues, we feel that this is only a temporary matter that is not related to infusion therapy industry issues. The home infusion therapy industry is a major contributor to reducing overall health care costs, and HNS will be introducing new and alternate site therapies in 1991 which have not previously been utilized. Therefore, we feel very good about the outlook for HNS. In addition, we expect the growth rate of our Perinatal Services Division in 1991 to increase because of the recent introduction of our new product and services for treating pregnancy induced hypertension. This division now has the capabilities to serve two distinct pregnancy related problems -- preterm delivery and pregnancy induced

hypertension. Although the national introduction of the hypertension program increased expenses in the third quarter, we have noted a recent rapid increase in the rate of patient adds and revenues in this division. We are committed to entering 1991 with this division in a profitable mode."

Healthdyne is a national provider of high technology home care medical services, including infusion therapy through its partially owned subsidiary, HNS, and home obstetrical care through its Perinatal Services Division, and a manufacturer of high tech home care products through its Healthdyne Technologies Division.

HEALTHDYNE INC.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS
(Amounts in thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

3 mos. ended 9/30	1990	1989
Revenues	$34,841	$27,868
Cost of revenues	16,821	13,152
Gross profit	18,020	14,716
Selling and admin. expenses	12,621	9,837
Provision for doubtful accts.	2,798	1,964
Research and dev. expenses	410	394
Operating profit	2,191	2,521
Interest expense	(194)	(889)
Interest income	492	250
Other income (expense), net	776	479
Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes, min. interest and extraordinary item	3,265	2,361
Income tax expense	311	900
Earnings from cont. opers. before minority interest and extraordinary item	2,954	1,461
Minority interest in net earnings of subsidiary	715	--
Earnings from cont. opers. before extraordinary item	2,239	1,461
Operating loss from discont. opers. net of income tax benefit of $185 and $455 in the three and nine month periods, respectively	--	(557)
Earnings before extraord. item	2,239	904
Extraordinary item - reduction of income taxes arising from carryforward of prior years' operating loss	(75)	570
Net earnings	$ 2,164	1,474
Net earnings per common share and common share equivalent:		

Earnings from cont. opers. before extraordinary item	$ 0.14	0.09
Loss from discont. operations	0.00	(0.03)
Extraordinary item	0.00	0.03
Net earnings	$ 0.14	0.09
Weighted average number of common shares and common share equivalents	15,889	15,394

9 mos. ended 9/30	1990	1989
Revenues:	$100,239	$ 73,849
Cost of revenues	48,010	34,902
Gross profit	52,229	38,947
Selling and admin. expenses	35,356	26,698
Provision for doubtful accts.	7,431	5,810
Research and dev. expenses	1,130	1,237
Operating profit	8,312	5,202
Interest expense	(440)	(2,140)
Interest income	1,955	861
Other income (expense), net	2,856	176
Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes, min. interest and extraordinary item	12,683	4,099
Income tax expense	3,856	1,655
Earnings from cont. opers. before minority interest and extraordinary item	8,827	2,444
Minority interest in net earnings of subsidiary	2,237	--
Earnings from cont. opers. before extraordinary item	6,590	2,444
Operating loss from discont. opers. net of income tax benefit of $185 and $455 in the three and nine month periods, respectively	--	(1,478)
Earnings before extraord. item	6,590	966
Extraordinary item - reduction of income taxes arising from carryforward of prior years' operating loss	750	810
Net earnings	$ 7,340	1,776
Net earnings per common share and common share equivalent:		
Earnings from cont. opers. before extraordinary item	$ 0.41	0.15
Loss from discont. operations	0.00	(0.09)
Extraordinary item	0.04	0.05
Net earnings	$ 0.45	0.11
Weighted average number of		

common shares and common share equivalents	16,219	15,231

CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS
(Amounts in thousands)

	9/30/90 (Unaudited)	12/31/89
ASSETS		
Cash and short-term invstmts.	$ 23,178	$ 27,429
Marketable securities	--	9,780
Trade accounts receivable, net	52,016	46,272
Inventories	11,789	9,410
Other current assets	7,656	12,625
Total current assets	94,639	105,516
Property, plant and equipment, net	11,386	9,869
Goodwill and other intangibles, net	4,381	1,352
Other assets	615	988
Total	$111,021	$117,725
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current portion of long-term debt	$ 1,055	$ 536
Accounts payable, principally trade	7,049	6,954
Accrued liabilities	8,238	11,654
Total current liabilities	16,342	19,144
Long-term debt	4,434	3,891
Other liabilities	749	981
Total liabilities	21,525	24,016
Minority interest in subsidiary	17,390	15,709
Shareholders' equity	72,106	78,000
Total	$111,021	$117,725

CONTACT: Donald R. Millard of Healthdyne, 404-423-4500

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OLD GREENWICH, CONN. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - American Brands, Inc. (NYSE: AMB) announced today an underwritten public offering of $150,000,000 of 8-3/4 percent Notes Due 1992. The issue price of the notes to the public is 99.82 percent. The offering of the notes is being underwritten by Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated.

The net proceeds of the offering of the notes will be used for general corporate purposes, including the repayment of existing floating rate debt of

varying maturities.

CONTACT: Roger W. W. Baker, 203-698-5148, or Daniel A. Conforti, 203-698-5132, both of American Brands

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#90298p9761 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAGINAW, Mich. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Garb-Ko, Inc., a Michigan company since 1969, headquartered in Saginaw, will continue to own and operate 7-Eleven stores throughout most of Michigan, despite the recent financial reorganization of the Southland Corporation.

Garb-Ko manages and develops a network of 160 7-Eleven stores in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky. In most of its stores, Garb-Ko is in partnership with a franchisee who lives in the community where the store is located.

Garb-Ko and its franchisees operate all the Michigan 7-Eleven stores outside the Detroit metropolitan area, including Flint, Saginaw, Bay City, Grand Rapids, Lansing, Traverse City, Alpena and the many cities and towns in between.

"We want our customers to know that when they shop at 7-Eleven, they're supporting Michigan business as well as the franchisees within their communities," said Ron Fountain, Garb-Ko director of marketing.

Garb-Ko is a licensee of the Southland Corporation and is not affected by Southland's current restructuring efforts. Garb-Ko will continue to develop stores in Michigan and other midwestern states.

"This will not affect the operation of Garb-Ko 7-Eleven stores," said Fountain. "We've been a Michigan business for 20 years and plan on being here a long time."

CONTACT: Mike McEvoy or Ken Droz of Robert Solomon & Associates, 313-540-0660 for Garb-Ko, Inc.

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RESTON, VA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Barbara J. Allen has been promoted to the position of director, risk management of DynCorp (NASDAQ: DYNPP), a professional and technical services firm headquartered in Reston.

Allen has been with DynCorp since February 1988 as the assistant manager of the Risk Management Department. She replaces James A. Stuart who is currently on medical leave of absence.

Prior to joining DynCorp, Allen spent five years at the Harris Corporation, Government Electronic Systems Division, as an administrative planner, working on such programs as TDRSS, the Galileo Space Telescope, the shuttle, B-1B and FEMA. Following her employment at Harris, Allen spent two years at Planning Research Corporation (PRC) as the risk administrator.

According to DynCorp President and Chief Executive Officer Dan R. Bannister: "We are pleased to welcome Barbara as a member of our corporate management team. She combines a strong government contracting background with experience in the insurance field and I am certain that in her new position she will prove to be a valuable asset as we position the company for the future."

With more than 18,000 employees, DynCorp is one of the largest employee-owned firms in the nation, serving a variety of customers in the government and commercial aviation industries.

CONTACT: Janine Ossareh of DynCorp, 703-264-9258.

-30- 1552

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TORONTO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Minera Rayrock Inc. (Toronto: MRN) announced today that Westlake Industries Ltd. (Vancouver: WLK) shareholders have approved the plan of arrangement to merge with Minera.

Under the arrangement, Westlake will amalgamate with a wholly owned subsidiary of Minera and Westlake shareholders will receive 11 Minera shares for every 20 shares of Westlake held. No fractional shares will be issued. Final court approval will be sought on Oct. 29. Subject to receipt of the necessary approvals, it is anticipated that the arrangement will be completed on or about Oct. 31.

Minera Rayrock Inc. is an exploration and mining development company active in Chile and Costa Rica. It currently has two advanced projects being evaluated for mine development -- the Ivan copper property in northern Chile and the Bellavista gold-silver property in Costa Rica.

CONTACT: Jane E. Wilson, 416-489-0022, or Lindsay B. Semple, 604-683-7770, both of Minera Rayrock

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JOHNSTOWN, PA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - BT Financial Corp.'s (NASDAQ-NMS: BTFC) third quarter of 1990 ended with continued growth and outstanding performance, the company announced today.

Consolidated net income for the three months was $1,834,000, an increase of

17.04 percent compared with the $1,567,000 earned for the same period the previous year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $5,330,000, an increase of 31.44 percent compared with the $4,055,000 earned in the same period last year. Net income per share increased from $.51 to $.61 or 19.61 percent for the third quarter and from $1.31 to $1.76 or 34.35 percent for the nine months.

The weighted average number of shares outstanding for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, decreased 89,795 to 2,997,693 and for the nine-month period decreased 60,624 to 3,026,864. The decreased weighted average number of shares outstanding is a result of BT Financial Corp.'s plan to repurchase up to 100,000 shares of common stock from time to time in the open market at prevailing prices. The per share data reported for the third quarter and for the nine months partially reflects the effect of the decrease in the weighted average number of shares outstanding.

BT Financial Corp. has worked diligently to produce good clean assets, maintain net interest margin and adequate reserves against unknown losses. At a time when most banking organizations are making major additions to their reserves for loan losses, BT Financial Corp. believes its reserves are ample to absorb any potential losses from the present loan portfolio. Furthermore, in relation to their peer group, the restructured and non-accrual loans remain low. In order to maintain an adequate net interest margin, BT Financial Corp. has avoided purchasing jumbo time deposits, which result in a planned program of asset reduction but greater profitability. When the economy permits, it will once again renew its emphasis on the jumbo time deposit gathering process.

During the third quarter, the conversion to new banking application software was completed. As a result of this action, BT Financial Corp. is consolidating the operations, data processing and customer accounts programs, which will provide increased service and product capabilities. The reorganization also is expected to provide ongoing effective control of operating expenses. On Oct. 1 1990, the Cherry Tree Office of Fayette Bank and Trust Co., located at Route 21, South Union Township, Uniontown, Pa., opened for business. The branch office of Laurel Bank, located at Route 286, White Township, Indiana, Pa., will be available for occupancy sometime in the fourth quarter. The extension of these BT Financial Corp. offices will enhance their ability to provide convenient personal banking services in their market area. BT Management Trust Co., the trust affiliate, continues to provide innovative trust and investment management services. As indicated in the Consolidated Statement of Income, the increased net income of this corporation is substantial.

To continue the ability of BT Financial Corp.'s affiliates to be market driven they have developed business and product development programs to support the corporation's proven sales culture and array of products and services. BT Financial Corp. will continue to effectively apply expense controls which are

hallmarks of its organization, and as always, will remain committed to quality customer service, improved profitability and the enhancement of shareholder value.

BT Financial is pleased with a positive research report on its corporation as published by Robert Kanters, analyst, Legg, Mason, Wood, Walker, Pittsburgh, on Sept. 25, 1990. A copy of the report was mailed to each of the shareholders.

George S. Ashman, M.D., Ophthalmic Associates, Johnstown, Pa., was appointed to the board of directors of Johnstown Bank and Trust Co., effective Oct. 17, 1990. BT Financial Corp. is pleased to welcome Ashman to its corporate family.

On Oct. 24, 1990, the board of directors of BT Financial Corp. declared a cash dividend of $.22 per share to shareholders of record on Nov. 5, 1990, payable Dec. 1, 1990.

The financial results achieved by BT Financial Corp. during the third quarter and first nine months reached record levels. BT Financial Corp. is confident the corporation is well positioned to maintain its earnings progress through the remainder of this year.

BT Financial Corp. is a bank holding company, with assets of $800 million, headquartered in Johnstown, Pa. Banking affiliates include Johnstown Bank and Trust Co., Johnstown, Pa.; Laurel Bank, Ebensburg, Pa.; and Fayette Bank and Trust Co., Uniontown, Pa. Together they comprise a total of 42 offices serving Cambria, Somerset, Beford, Blair, Indiana, Westmoreland and Fayette counties. BT Financial Corp.'s other affiliates are BT Management Trust Co., a Pennyslvania state-chartered trust company, and Beford Associates Inc., a real estate company.

BT FINANCIAL CORP. AND AFFILIATES
Consolidated Balance Sheet
Sept. 30, 1990
(In thousands, except shares and per share data)

Assets	9/30/90	12/31/89	9/30/89
Cash and due from banks	34,040	50,482	34,874
Investment securities	116,541	119,371	129,382
Int. bearing deposits with banks	81,212	91,726	103,827
Federal funds sold	8,300	15,000	24,050
Net loans	515,896	494,749	483,006
Premises and equipment	17,907	14,839	15,055
Other assets	14,403	14,330	15,522
Total assets	788,299	800,497	805,716
Liabilities			
Deposits	688,494	695,482	704,451
Fed. funds purchased &			

securities sold under agreement to repurchase	14,637	22,707	15,464
Other liabilities	13,860	13,227	17,584
Capital notes	12,200	12,200	12,200
Total liabilities	729,191	743,616	749,699
Shareholders' equity			
Common stock	15,437	15,437	15,437
Capital surplus	13,747	13,747	13,747
Retained earnings	31,382	27,928	26,833
Treasury stock	(1,458)	(231)	0
Total shareholders' equity	59,108	56,881	56,017
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	788,299	800,497	805,716
Book value per share	$19.75	$18.52	$18.14
Number of shares outstanding	2,992,288	3,072,039	3,087,488

BT FINANCIAL CORP. AND AFFILIATES
Consolidated Statement of Income
Sept. 30, 1990
(In thousands, except shares and per share data)

	Quarter ended		Year-to-date	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Interest income	18,372	18,864	54,720	55,352
Interest expense	10,156	11,251	30,604	32,759
Net interest income	8,216	7,613	24,116	22,593
Provision for loan losses	288	285	908	895
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	7,928	7,328	23,208	21,698
Other income	1,159	991	3,342	2,891
Other expenses	6,680	6,407	19,582	19,870
Income before taxes	2,407	1,912	6,968	4,719
Provision for income tax	573	345	1,638	664
Net income	1,834	1,567	5,330	4,055
Per share data:				
Net income	$0.61	$0.51	$1.76	$1.31
Cash dividends declared	$0.22	$0.19	$0.62	$0.57
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	2,997,693	3,087,488	3,026,864	3,087,488

CONTACT: Gerald W. Swatsworth, chairman, president and chief executive officer of BT Financial Corp., 814-536-7801.

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BRANCHBURG, N.J. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: METC) announced today that its subsidiary, Metcalf & Eddy, Inc., was awarded an extension of its contract to provide services to the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) in connection with the Boston Harbor cleanup project. According to terms of the contract, valued at approximately $18.5 million, the company will continue as lead designer on the project through December 1992, and will take on additional responsibilities with regard to the design work during construction through 1995.

Metcalf & Eddy Companies is an Air & Water Technologies company. Air & Water Technologies Corporation (AMEX: AWT), through its operating units, Research-Cottrell, Inc., Metcalf & Eddy Companies, and Residuals Management Group, provides a broad range of environmental services in the areas of air pollution control, water resource management, and waste by-product disposal and reuse.

CONTACT: Lucinda Edmonds of Metcalf & Eddy, 617-246-5200

-30- 1198

#90298p9774 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bank of Boston Corporation (NYSE: BKB) today declared quarterly dividends of 93 cents per share on the corporation's Series A preferred stock (BKB pfA); 90 cents per share on its Series B preferred stock (BKB pfB); and $1.66 per share on its Series C preferred stock (BKB pfC). The dividends on each of these three series of adjustable-rate, cumulative preferred stock are payable Dec. 17, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 23, 1990.

For the period Sept. 16, 1990, through Dec. 15, 1990, the dividend rate is 7.45 percent for the Series A shares, 7.20 percent for the Series B shares, and 6.65 percent for the Series C shares.

Bank of Boston Corporation is a New England-based superregional bank holding company with assets of $37 billion. Its major banking subsidiaries are The First National Bank of Boston, headquartered in Massachusetts; Casco Northern Bank, N.A., in Maine; Bank of Boston Connecticut; Rhode Island Hospital Trust National Bank; and Bank of Vermont. The corporation and its subsidiaries provide a broad range of financial services to individual, corporate, institutional and governmental customers, as well as to other banks. Its common and preferred stocks are listed on the New York and Boston exchanges.

CONTACT: Wayne J. Taylor of Bank of Boston, 617-434-3638

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#90298p9776 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

BORDEAUX, FRANCE (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - This October, top scientists -- including pharmacologists, biochemists and physicians -- met to report their latest research findings on Pycnogenol, the potent free-radical scavenging compound extracted from the bark of a local coastal pine, pinus maritima.

First speaker -- Professor Peter Rohdewald of the Institute of Pharmacology, University of Muenster, Germany -- attested to the remarkably low toxicity of the natural compound and to its lack of carcinogenic properties. Emphasizing Pycnogenol's lack of toxic side- effects in man, the professor produced results to demonstrate its effectiveness in reducing the fragility of the smaller blood vessels and thus its usefulness in patients with veinous insufficiency and swollen legs.

Consultant physician Dr. Duncan Bell, 1990 Hunterian professor at the Royal College of Surgeons of England and leader of a team of biochemists working on various effects of Pycnogenol, took up its anti- inflammatory effects and went on to discuss its anti-allergy properties and its use in inhibiting tumor promotion. He described the product as "an extremely potent free-radical scavenger" and introduced a colleague who presented exciting preliminary results of tests on prevention of carcinogen formation in the liver by inhibition of reactive oxygen metabolics.

A second biochemist on Bell's team discussed in great depth the powerful free-radical scavenging activities of this compound and produced preliminary results to show the reduction in the conversion of LDL cholesterol to an oxidized form which was more atherogenic.

Bell added that Pycnogenol had been shown to inhibit stress ulcer formation in rats, and summed up by saying that this naturally occurring plant flavonoid was safe, non-toxic and possessed a number of exciting therapeutic properties. He strongly suspected that its true therapeutic usefulness had not yet been fully realized and urged his audience to "watch this space."

The Pycnogenol conference was sponsored by Horphag Research, Ltd, UK, and included a tour of the Pycnogenol manufacturing near Bordeaux.

Pycnogenol has been patented (U.S. Pat. No. 4,698,360) and can be found worldwide. Pycnogenol was recently introduced to the U.S. and Canadian publics through the North American health products retail market.

CONTACT: J.J. Edwards of the International BusinessMan News Bureau, 212-503-0802, for Horphag Research

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#90298p9780 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALHOUN, GA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Horizon Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: HRZN) today announced that its board of directors declared its fourth quarter cash dividend of $.02 per share payable on Nov. 15, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 1, 1990.

Horizon Industries, Inc. manufactures a broad range of residential carpets marketed through specialty retailers, department stores, design centers, and wholesale distributors. The company also manufactures specialized lines of commercial carpets for the corporate, hospitality and institutional markets through its subsidiary, The Harbinger Company, Inc.

CONTACT: Dennis L. Fink of Horizon Industries, 404-629-7721

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#90298p9782 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) will raise domestic fares by 5.8 percent in response to fuel costs that have more than doubled since July 31.

The increase will be effective for tickets purchased on or after Oct. 31, 1990.

Delta said that its system-wide cost for jet fuel had risen 115 percent from 57.1 cents per gallon on July 31, to 122.7 cents per gallon as of Oct. 23. On an annualized basis, this increase represents $1.3 billion in additional expense to Delta.

"We take this action reluctantly, but previous fare hikes in response to rising fuel prices have fallen well short of levels necessary to offset these increased costs," said Whit Hawkins, Delta's executive vice president - marketing and stations.

CONTACT: Delta public relations, 404-765-2531

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HARTFORD, CONN. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Society for Savings Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: SOCS) ("Bancorp") announced that its board of directors today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 15 cents per share payable on Nov. 30, 1990, to holders of record of issued and outstanding shares of Society's Common Stock as of Nov. 8, 1990.

CONTACT: Albert E. Fiacre, Jr., executive vice president
and CFO of Society for Savings, 203-727-5420

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#90298p9784 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Great American Bank, a Federal Savings Bank (NYSE: GTA), has named F. Anthony Kurtz chief financial officer and senior executive vice president. He will be responsible for accounting, finance, institutional investments, investor relations, strategic planning and internal consulting.

Kurtz has nearly 30 years experience in the financial services industry. He was most recently executive vice president and chief financial officer for The Price Company (NASDAQ: PCLB), where he was responsible for all accounting, financial reporting and planning activities, including cash planning and investment management as well as responsibility for management information systems (MIS) and internal audit. From 1968 to 1989, Kurtz was employed by H.F. Ahmanson & Co. (NYSE: AHM), parent company of Home Savings of America. At H.F. Ahmanson, Kurtz most recently served as senior vice president and chief financial officer. Previously, he was controller for Trans-Coast Investment Company of Los Angeles and senior accountant for Price Waterhouse & Company of Los Angeles.

"Tony Kurtz has a strong background in finance and business administration," said Robert L. Kemper, chairman, chief executive officer and president of Great American. "He will be a valuable asset to this company as we move forward in accordance with a new business plan that is currently under review by the Office of Thrift Supervision."

A graduate of California State University, Northridge, with a bachelor's degree in accounting, Kurtz also completed the Harvard Business School-Corporate Financial Management Program. He is a certified public accountant and a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, California Society of Certified Public Accountants and the Financial Executives Institute.

Kurtz is a member of the Board of Advisors for Crespi Carmelite High School in Encino, Calif. He serves on the board of directors for the California State University, Northridge, Trust Fund, and he is a member of the Council of Advisors for California State University, Northridge, School of Business.

Kurtz replaces James A. Krzeminski, who is leaving Great American to pursue other business interests.

CONTACT: Brian Luscomb, VP Public Relations of Great American Bank, 619-231-6224

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#90298p9786 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Ciatti's, Inc. (NASDAQ: CIATU) today reported results for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company

earned $67,591 or two cents per share, on sales of $4,349,146. That compares with earnings of $213,730, equal to six cents per share, on sales of $3,784,367 in the first quarter last year.

William C. Ferril, president and chief executive officer, said: "Where sales increased 14.9 percent over the comparable quarter last year, our results reflect the effects of the sluggish economy we are operating in. Quarterly results are slightly down from the fourth quarter ended June 30, 1990. And, comparable sales of our five mature restaurants, which have been operating for more than 24 months, are off 1.2 percent. Gross profit margins remain unchanged but earnings decreased 68 percent largely due to preopening costs associated with two new restaurants during the past nine months. This was coupled with higher percentage operating expenses and income taxes that rose as our tax loss carryforward benefit decreases."

Ferril stated, "Our business began to feel the effects of the slowing economy toward the end of our fiscal year and we have initiated steps to have costs more closely correlate with revenue expectations."

Ferril concluded, expressing confidence in the company's long-term business prospects, saying, "While we do not see significant opportunities to improve 1991 earnings over the prior year, we are focused on operating expenses. Our balance sheet is particularly strong, with little debt and a good cash position. With nine restaurants, we are well positioned in our markets, and have a marketing program that appears to be effective. We are proceeding with our expansion plans and will open the tenth Ciatti's restaurant Nov. 20 in the Centre Square development in St. Cloud, Minn., one of the state's fastest growing communities."

Ciatti's Inc. (NASDAQ: CIATU) is a Minneapolis-based corporation operating nine Italian restaurants in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

CONTACT: William C. Ferril of Ciatti's, 612-941-0108

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PALO ALTO, Calif. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE -- Syntex Corp. (NYSE: SYN) today declared a regular cash dividend of 40 cents per share on the corporation's outstanding common stock.

The dividend is payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 12, 1990.

This is the 100th consecutive quarterly dividend Syntex has paid on its common stock.

CONTACT: Linda Thomas, 415-852-1321; or Nancy M. Peterson, 415-855-5567, both

of Syntex

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#90298p9789 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOSTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Teradyne, Inc. (NYSE: TER) reported third quarter sales of $116,981,000 and net loss of $7,922,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990.

CONTACT: Frederick Van Veen, vice president of Teradyne, 617-482-2700

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Jostens Inc. has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 20 cents per common share payable Dec. 3, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 15, 1990. This dividend represents an increase of 11 percent and provides a new annual payout of 80 cents per share.

The number of Jostens shares outstanding as of Sept. 30, 1990, was 40.5 million.

Jostens Inc. is a leading provider of products and services for the youth, education, sports award and recognition markets. The Fortune 500 company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "JOS" and last year reported sales of $788 million.

CONTACT: Robb Prince of Jostens, 612-830-3262

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#90298p9796 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - GENESCO Inc. (NYSE: GCO) announced today plans to sell or close an unprofitable footwear wholesale company and to close a footwear components manufacturing operation. The Company's board of directors approved the establishment of a reserve to cover severance and shutdown costs.

As a result of this action and favorable adjustments to reserves relating to previously divested operations, including the substantial completion of an environmental remediation project at less than originally estimated costs, the Company expects to make a net charge of approximately $1.3 million ($.06 per share) against earnings in the third quarter ending Oct. 31, 1990.

Operations to be sold or closed are the Company's Charm Step/Easy Street women's wholesale footwear division and a footwear components plant in Reynosa Mexico. Approximately 200 of GENESCO's 7,000 employees are affected.

"GENESCO is committed to controlling costs and tackling weak spots in our operations," William S. Wire II, chairman and chief executive officer, said. "Today's decision was reached after careful review. The Company will benefit by eliminating these operations which have been losing money and have little chance of being successful."

As a result of the establishment of the reserve, GENESCO may report a loss for its fiscal third quarter. "In recent weeks, we have seen increased consumer caution due to the uncertain and slowing U.S. economy," Wire said. "Before today's action, we expected a slight operating profit in the third quarter."

While the Charm Step/Easy Street business has been showing some improvement, it continues to be unprofitable and does not fit with the rest of GENESCO's business. It is the Company's only women's footwear wholesale operation, according to Wire. The Reynosa facility is a small operation that has been operating at a loss for some time.

GENESCO, headquartered in Nashville, Tenn., is a consumer products company with operations concentrated in footwear and apparel.

CONTACT: (Media Contact) Teresa N. Miller, 615-367-8281, or (Financial Contact) James S. Gulmi, 615-367-8325, both of GENESCO, Inc.

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#90298p9800 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - SAZTEC International Inc. (NASDAQ: SAZZ), a leader in information management, announced today the successful completion of the acquisition of Advanced Automation Associates Inc. (AAA), a New England data management company. A letter of intent was signed and announced May 18, 1990.

According to Gary N. Abernathy, vice chairman of SAZTEC, the agreement will have a significant affect on SAZTEC operations.

"The AAA acquisition is a major step to expand SAZTEC's operations and services. AAA will increase the company's revenue base by more than 30 percent and provide added domestic production capacity of more than 200 people. It also will open the Northeast geographically for additional business, and enable the company to establish Information Conversion Express (ICM)(SM) in the New England area," said Abernathy.

Headquartered in Chelmsford, Mass., AAA has been active in the Information processing industry for more than 24 years. The company currently has four information conversion centers within the New England area and an affiliation with a Jamaican data conversion company.

In addition, AAA provides services in the area of direct marketing, including direct mail, subscription fulfillment and reader service cards.

SAZTEC International, a world leader in information management, provides services for database construction and information conversion utilizing computer processing, electronic imaging, optical character recognition, data entry and other technologies.

SAZTEC International, is traded in the over-the-counter market and is quoted on NASDAQ under the symbol SAZZ. For more information, contact Donald E. Mack senior vice president, marketing, SAZTEC International Inc., 6700 Corporate Dr., Kansas City, Mo. 64120, 816-483-6900.

CONTACT: Donald E. Mack of SAZTEC International Inc., 816-483-6900

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#90298p9801 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - First American Bank of New York, a wholly owned subsidiary of First American Bankshares, Inc., today announced the sale of 8.95 percent Auto Loan Pass Through Certificates in the amount of $75 million. The issue was underwritten by BT Securities Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Bankers Trust New York Corporation (NYSE: BT). FABNY 1990-A Grantor Trust is the issuer and First American Bank of New York is the seller/servicer.

William M. Duncan, chairman of First American Bank of New York, said, "The sale of these assets in the securitization market represents an additional source of funding for the bank. This transaction also enables First American Bank of New York to build upon its important and growing consumer installment lending activities."

The issue will be rated Aaa by Moody's Investor Services, which provided the same rating last year to a $108 million securitization of automobile installment loans by three subsidiaries of First American Bankshares located in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Equimark Corp. (NYSE: EQK) today announced a consolidated net loss for the third quarter of 1990 of $18,838,000 or $1.66 per common share.

For comparison, Equimark reported a net loss of $15,525,000 or $1.38 per

common share in the second quarter of 1990 and net income of $6,047,000 or $0.48 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

Equimark's consolidated net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $49,810,000, equal to a net loss per common share of $4.37. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, Equimark reported net income of $15,750,000 or $1.31 per common share.

The reported loss in the third quarter of 1990 primarily reflects Equimark's further efforts to strengthen its reserve for possible loan losses in recognition of the continuing deterioration of the overall economic environment, primarily with respect to declining real estate values in the market area of Equimark's Liberty Bank subsidiary, headquartered in Philadelphia. As a result, Equimark's consolidated reserve for possible loan losses was increased by 21.1 percent during the third quarter to $65,546,000 or 2.55 percent of loans outstanding, at Sept. 30, 1990, from $54,121,000 or 2.18 percent of loans outstanding at June 30, 1990. At year-end 1989, the consolidated reserve for possible loan losses totaled $41,955,000 or 1.48 percent of loans. The increase of $11,425,000 in the reserve for possible loan losses from June 30 to Sept. 30, 1990, accounts for 61 percent of the third quarter net loss and includes an increase of $8,407,000 in Liberty Bank's reserve.

Equimark's nonearning assets, which include nonaccrual loans and other assets held for resale, totaled $80,770,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, representing an increase of 23.1 percent over the June 30, 1990, level of $65,608,000. At year-end 1989, consolidated nonearning assets totaled $66,828,000. Approximately 94 percent of the increase in the 1990 third quarter is attributable to loans in the Liberty Bank subsidiary, primarily in its commercial real estate portfolio.

The quarterly net loss is higher than the range of corporate net loss projected and announced on Oct. 2, 1990. Due to recent events with regard to certain borrowers in the Philadelphia area, Equimark has further bolstered the reserve for possible loan losses of Liberty Bank above the reserve level anticipated in the forecast news release.

Equimark's provison for possible loan losses was $21,380,000 in the third quarter of 1990, a decrease of 21.3 percent from the provision of $27,151,000 in the second quarter of 1990. Net loan chargeoffs totaling $9,955,000 in the third quarter of 1990 were 53 percent lower than the 1990 second quarter amount of $21,330,000. A significant portion of the reduction in quarterly net loan chargeoffs relates to the reduction of losses associated with deliquent credit card loan balances which were not a part of the April 1990 credit card portfolio sale. Net loan losses on this retained portfolio totaled $6,059,000 during the second quarter of 1990 and $763,000 in the 1990 third quarter. Net loan chargeoffs in the commercial, commercial mortgage, and construction portfolios totaled $2,619,000 in the third quarter of 1990, a

decline of 58 percent from $6,214,000 in the second quarter of 1990 and 69 percent from $8,552,000 in the first quarter of 1990.

Net interest income decreased $2,500,000, or 6.2 percent, to $38,065,000 in the third quarter of 1990 from the second quarter of 1990. This decline resulted from the full quarter effect of the sale of $349.1 million of credit card loans effective April 30, 1990. Consolidated average earning assets totaled $3.19 billion in the 1990 third quarter, as compared to $3.26 billion in the 1990 second quarter. Equimark's net yield on average earning assets decreased to 4.71 percent in the 1990 third quarter from 4.95 percent in the second quarter of 1990, principally as the result of the sale of the comparatively high yielding credit card loans.

Non-interest income totaled $8,162,000 in the third quarter of 1990, compared to $26,106,000 in the 1990 second quarter. Included in non-interest income in the second quarter was a net gain of $14.3 million from the sale of credit card loans and related operations in Wilmington, Del. In addition, consulting and other service fee revenue declined to $834,000 in the third quarter of 1990 from $4,136,000 in the 1990 second quarter.

Operating expenses totaled $43,690,000 in the third quarter of 1990, a reduction of $11,332,000, or 20.6 percent, from the second quarter of 1990. This quarter-to-quarter decrease is attributable to the following: (1) legal costs, relating to litigation, loan collection, and other matters, decreased from $6,078,000 in the second quarter of 1990 to $1,574,000 in the 1990 third quarter; (2) approximately $3.7 million of residual expenses were absorbed in the second quarter of 1990 relating to the termination of Equimark's recapitalization of a Texas bank holding company; and (3) a loss of $4.1 million was recorded on the sale of an underperforming balance sheet hedge in the second quarter of 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, Equimark's ratio of primary capital and reserves to assets totaled 8.03 percent, which is in excess of the regulatory minimum. Additionally, the primary capital positions of its banking subsidiaries are also above the minimum regulatory requirements.

Equimark Corp. is a diversified financial services institution with total assets of approximately $3.5 billion. Equimark's principal subsidiaries are Equibank, The Liberty Financial Group Inc., EquiManagement Inc. and Treasure Valley Bancorp Inc. Equibank, with assets of approximately $2.8 billion, operates 55 branch offices in Southwestern Pennsylvania. Liberty is the parent of Liberty Savings Bank, a Philadelphia-based, FDIC-insured savings bank with 21 branch offices and assets of approximately $652 million. EquiManagement provides management consulting services, primarily to financial institutions. Treasure Valley Bancorp Inc. is the parent of Treasure Valley Bank, an FDIC-insured bank with assets of approximately $87 million and 10 branch offices in Southwestern Idaho.

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HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The first low radiation video display terminals (VDT) at a price attractive to the mass market were introduced Monday by Applied Digital Data Systems (ADDS), a subsidiary of NCR Corporation (NYSE: NCR).

"We believe that an affordable low radiation terminal is the single best solution to the electromagnetic radiation debate," stated David G. Laws, ADDS president and chief executive officer, in making the announcement. "By removing the pricing obstacle, we hope to make these VDT's the product of choice among our customers."

The two ADDS terminals -- the 4000 RST (list price $625) and the 4320 RST (list price $595) -- are the lowest priced such products currently in volume production, according to company officials. Other low radiation terminals currently in the marketplace carry prices up to 50 percent higher than the ADDS 4000 RST.

"The pricing breakthrough is the result of a unique terminal design developed at ADDS on which there is a patent pending," said Vincent P. Luciano, director of marketing. "The design eliminates the need for expensive shielding or complicated retro-fitting on the customers part."

"We found that building emission control right into the design of the product allows us to manufacture on an economic basis," Laws said. "Because our market is so price sensitive, this was imperative if we were going to be able to reach a significant portion of the end-user community with this important technology."

The low radiation terminals will be manufactured at ADDS' Hauppauge, N.Y. headquarters using the company's flexible manufacturing line. In 1989, ADDS became the first terminal maker to return its production and manufacturing to U.S. shores, where it now controls product design, test, measurement, quality control and assembly all under one roof.

The 4000 RST is a highly reliable ASCII/ANSI/PC terminal with dual session capability. This feature enables the 4000 RST to connect with two computer ports simultaneously, allowing one terminal to do the work of two. The 4320 RST offers full Digital Equipment Corporation (DEC) VT320 compatibility and a choice of either VT-style or PC-style keyboards.

ADDS, a subsidiary of NCR Corporation, has been a leading manufacturer of general-purpose display terminals since 1969.

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COLUMBUS, OHIO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Rax Restaurants, Inc. (NASDAQ: RAXR) closed 16 underperforming stores -- 11 in Louisiana on Monday and five in the Tampa area today -- as part of its cost cutting program.

"The store closings bring a significant cash flow benefit to our chain's operations and are consistent with our strategic plan to focus resources on restaurants in the chain's strongest markets," said Ira Hermann, president and chief executive officer. "In Louisiana markets and the Tampa area, we simply lacked the necessary penetration to efficiently market our restaurants."

Rax Restaurants owns, operates, develops and franchises restaurants that feature a variety of specialty sandwiches and other fast foods. Based in Columbus, Ohio, the company has nearly 450 company-owned and franchised stores in 29 U.S. states and in Canada. Incorporated in 1977, the publicly held company is traded over-the-counter on the NASDAQ National Market System under the RAXR symbol.

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BLUE BELL, PA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Unisys Corp. (NYSE: UIS) today reported a net loss of $356.8 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

After allowing for preferred dividends, the loss per common share was $2.42. These results include a special pretax charge of $181 million to cover planned reductions in workforce and operational consolidations. In the third quarter a year ago, the company reported a net loss of $648.2 million or $4.25 per common share. The prior year results included a special charge of $231 million.

Revenue was $2.40 billion compared to $2.35 billion in the year ago quarter which had benefited from accelerated shipment of new 2200 Series mainframe systems.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the net loss was $348.2 million on revenue of $7.18 billion. After allowing for preferred dividends, the loss per common share was $2.72. In the same period one year ago, the net loss was $673.3 million on revenue of $7.13 billion. After allowing for preferred

dividends, the loss per common share was $4.75.

Unisys said that this quarter's special charge will cover a reduction in force which will eliminate 5,000 jobs, mostly by mid- year 1991. This represents an acceleration of the company's program of reducing headcount via hiring limitations and attrition. The planned reductions will affect most operating units but will leave unimpaired the company's direct sales activity, the critical support provided to customers, and the R&D investment in future core products. As part of a stringent cost control and reduction program, the staffing actions alone will reduce costs by more than $200 million annually.

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RALEIGH, N.C. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Workers will top out the First Union Capitol Center Oct. 26, as they lay the final steel beam atop the 29-story building at 4:30 p.m.

To celebrate the topping out, community leaders, future tenants of the building and others are invited to a reception hosted by First Union National Bank of North Carolina and Southwind, Ltd., developer of the $65 million building. The reception will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Southwind office at 133 Fayetteville Mall, directly across from the construction site.

First Union will anchor the polished-granite building, occupying approximately 92,000 square feet on four-and-a-half floors, including a full-service branch on the ground floor. The building is scheduled to open in mid-1991.

"We believe that First Union Capitol Center will be a catalyst for development in downtown Raleigh," said Ronald C. Fowler, executive vice president of First Union's Raleigh-based Eastern Region. "We are committed to fully developing the 100 block of the Fayetteville Mall with quality projects that will complement the capitol, existing towers and other under construction."

Ed Bagwell, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Southwind, Ltd., said the 500,000-square-foot office building will contain about 7,000 square feet of retail space. Water features, shade trees and flowering plants will accent a public seating area.

In designing First Union Capitol Center, we sought and used the guidance of many public and private citizens in Raleigh and found the widely accepted Urban Design Guidelines very helpful," Bagwell said. "We have a building that fits comfortably into its surroundings, is aesthetically beautiful and operationally quite efficient."

"Our plaza and shopping areas will really help to enliven the 100 block and

boost retail business," Bagwell added. "We believe the Capitol Center will have a great impact on downtown Raleigh."

In addition to First Union, three major tenants have signed leases for space. Smith, Anderson, Blount, Dorsett, Mitchell & Jernigan, one of North Carolina's oldest and most respected law firms, will lease 56,000 square feet. It was founded by former United States Senator Willis Smith.

First Union National Bank of North Carolina is a major subsidiary of Charlotte-based First Union Corporation (NYSE: FTU FTUpr), which reported assets of $39.1 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990, and operated 764 banking offices in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, one banking office in Tennessee and 277 nonbanking offices in 36 states.

Southwind, Ltd., headquartered in Columbia, S.C., is a leading developer of upscale executive office space in the Southeast.

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CHICAGO, (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - UNR Industries, Inc. (NASD: UNRI) reported that sales in the third quarter of 1990 were $95.8 million, down 4 percent from the $99.4 million reported in the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter was $4.9 million, down 9 percent from the $5.4 million reported in 1989 before extraordinary items.

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $300.1 million, up 5 percent from $285.1 million reported for the same period in the prior year. Operating income for the same period was $18.4 million, up 4 percent from $17.7 million reported in 1989. Net income comparisons between 1990 and 1989 are not meaningful due to insurance recoveries of $45.6 million and reorganization charges of $109.6 million recorded in 1989.

The company's Commercial Segment had sales of $44.7 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared to $39.9 million last year. Operating profit for the same period improved by 46 percent to $4.0 million from $2.7 million in 1989.

The company's Industrial Segment reported sales of $51.1 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared to $59.5 million in 1989. Operating profit of $3.4 million was 42 percent below last year's third-quarter operating profit of $5.8 million.

William F. Andrews, president and CEO of the company, stated, "A major reason for the decreased sales and income in the third quarter was due to the UNR-Leavitt Division. The Division reported a decrease in sales of $8.3

million and a decrease in operating income of $1.1 million below that of the third quarter last year. This is a result of the current softness in the steel tubing market and the resulting inability to pass through a steel mill price increase in July. We lost business during July until we rescinded most of our price increase. This offset the income growth in our other operations."

UNR INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDAIRIES
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$95,804,466	$99,391,595	$300,080,599	$285,120,943
Gross profit	19,450,620	19,145,442	60,347,451	53,244,037
Operating income	5,623,268	7,135,278	18,389,497	17,703,126
Bankruptcy related costs	---	---	---	(3,200,000)
Insurance recovery	---	90,000	---	45,590,000
Interest income, net	2,064,158	1,426,503	6,368,421	2,996,023
Income before taxes	7,687,426	8,651,781	24,757,918	63,089,149
Income tax provision	2,800,000	3,300,000	8,400,000	24,000,000
Income before extraordinary items	4,887,426	5,351,781	16,357,918	39,089,149
Discontinued operation, net of tax	---	320,000	---	(2,355,235)
Extraord. items - reorganization matters	---	---	---	(109,619,174)
Net income (loss)	$4,887,426	$5,671,781	$16,357,918	($72,885,260)
Net income (loss) per share - Continuing operations	$.11	$.12	$.36	$.85
Discontinued operation, net of tax	---	.01	---	(.05)
Extraordinary items - reorganization matters	---	---	---	(2.37)
Net income (loss) per share	$.11	$.13	$.36	($1.57)

UNR INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS

	Sept. 30 1990 (unaudited)	Dec. 31 1989
ASSETS		
Current assets (a)	$222,412,702	$209,847,957
Plant and equipment, net	53,298,396	55,378,571
Other assets	45,281,143	41,615,254
Total	$320,992,241	$306,841,782
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities	42,869,589	44,684,989
Long-term liabilities	8,716,395	9,030,983
Deferred income taxes	18,000,000	18,000,000
Stockholders' equity	251,406,257	235,125,810
Total	$320,992,241	$306,841,782

(a) Net of reserve for LIFO valuation of inventories of $14.3 million and $15.1 million at Sept. 30, 1990, and Dec. 31, 1989, respectively.

UNR INDUSTRIES, INC. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(1) On July 29, 1982, UNR Industries, Inc. and certain subsidiaries filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The filings were precipitated by contingent liabilities resulting from litigation arising out of asbestos-related operations owned by UNR's predecessor corporations. On June 2, 1989, the company's Plan of Reorganization (the "Plan") was confirmed by the Bankruptcy Court following acceptance of the Plan by the company's creditors and stockholders. The Plan relieves the company of the burden of defending and settling thousands of asbestos lawsuits. This was accomplished through the creation of the UNR Asbestos-Disease Claims Trust, which will assume responsibility for, administer, settle and pay all asbestos-related claims. In lieu of bringing actions against the company, asbestos claimants must assert their claims against this trust, which owns 29,437,004 shares of common stock of the company. The order confirming the Plan of Reorganization, the Injunction Order and the Federal Bankruptcy Code prohibit all persons from taking any actions against the company with respect to any past, present or future asbestos-related liabilities.

On June 9, 1989, an appeal was filed from the order confirming the Plan of Reorganization. A motion is pending in the U.S. District Court to dismiss the appeal as moot. The company and its counsel expect the company to prevail on the motion. Requests for stays of the effect of the confirmation order have been denied by the Bankruptcy Court, the U.S. District Court and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

By another order effective June 2, 1989, the Bankruptcy Court permanently enjoined any actions against the company by asbestos-disease claimants and others. An appeal from the injunction order is pending. The company and its counsel believe that the appeal has no merit and the company expects to prevail.

(2) For financial reporting purposes, the company has net operating loss carry-forwards of over $150 million. The extraordinary reorganization charges included in the 1989 Statement of Income are not deductible for income tax purposes until the year distributions are actually made by the UNR Asbestos-Disease Claims Trust to claimants. Approximately $2.5 million of expenditures have been made by the Trust and the related tax benefits have been recorded by the company in 1990. However, the timing of future distributions is undeterminable. The related deductions will result in a reduction of that year's current tax liability and may also generate tax loss carry-backs or carry-forwards. Net operation losses resulting from the payment of tort claims could be subject to the limitations of Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(3) The interim determination of inventories under the LIFO method is based on the management's estimates of the expected year-end inventory levels and costs and as such, interim financial results are subject to final year-end inventory amounts.

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HUTCHINSON, KA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Doskocil Companies Incorporated (NASDAQ: DOSKQ) today announced that it had entered into a letter of intent to sell the edible fats and oils refinery (part of its subsidiary, Wilson Foods Corporation) located in Oklahoma City.

The prospective buyer is a corporation to be formed by Valley National Investors; M.L. Oklahoma Venture Partners, L.P., an affiliate of Merrill Lynch Venture Capital, Inc., and a management group of the refinery. The purchase price to be paid for the refinery is approximately $8.6 million, subject to adjustments and costs associated with the separation of the facility. Under terms of the letter of intent it is anticipated that the sale would be consummated by Dec. 31, 1990. The sale is subject to the execution of a definitive purchase agreement, based on the non-binding letter of intent, and the approval of the bankruptcy court.

Theodore A. Myers, senior vice president and chief financial officer, stated that the "proposed sale is consistent with Doskocil's strategic plan to concentrate on high value-added products. The net proceeds of the sale will be used to reduce the company's debt."

The refinery division manufactures and sells branded shortening and vegetable oils to the retail market, primarily under the "Bake-Rite" trade name, and to the foodservice and food manufacturing market. The letter of intent contemplates that the buyer will continue operations at the refinery facility with the current workforce.

Doskocil Companies Incorporated specializes in formulating, processing and marketing high value-added boneless hams, dry sausage and other precooked meat products for foodservice, delicatessen and retail markets.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Colony Hotels & Resorts today announced it signed two-year agreements with three different resident/owner associations at the Hilton Head Island Beach & Tennis Resort. The announcement was made by John Russell, president and CEO of Colony Hotels & Resorts, the resort arm of the Carlson Hospitality Group.

"Colony and the Hilton Head Island Beach & Tennis Resort owners' associations have been partners for eight years. This latest agreement will provide an opportunity for us to further develop our relationship and make the resort a comfortable retreat for our owners and guests," said Russell.

The Hilton Head Island Beach & Tennis Resort is conveniently located 40 miles north of historic Savannah, Ga. The property consists of more than 800 condominium and rental units. The facility features ten on- site tennis courts, a spectacular private beach, pool, water sports, horseback riding, a restaurant and lounge. All of the units feature one- or two-bedrooms, fully-equipped kitchens, color TV and private balconies.

The resort offers 12,000 square feet of conference space and meeting space for groups up to 800 people. Also, it has completed a $1 million, three-year renovation program.

"We are pleased to represent this resort in the Hilton Head Island area. It has been and will continue to be an important resort location," said Russell. Colony Hotels & Resorts provides international marketing and reservation programs, facility management, and staff hiring and training to the three owners' associations.

Colony Hotels & Resorts is America's fastest growing resort company with more than 42 locations in the United States and around the world. The chain is part

of the Carlson Hospitality Group, Inc., which includes Radisson Hotels International, Country Lodging By Carlson(SM), T.G.I. Friday's restaurants and Country Kitchen(R) restaurants. Carlson Hospitality is currently implementing an international strategic growth plan calling for a total of 500 locations by the end of 1992. Corporate headquarters are located in Minneapolis, Minn.

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ATLANTA, (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Academy Insurance Group Inc. (NASDAQ: ACIG) announced that its board of directors at a meeting held today, approved a merger agreement with a corporation formed by certain large shareholders and members of management, owning in the aggregate approximately 50 percent of the outstanding common shares of the company (Investor Group).

The terms of the merger and merger agreement were recommended to the board of directors by a Special Committee of the board following negotiations among representatives of the Investor Group and the Special Committee. The Special Committee was advised by Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc.

The merger agreement provides for a "cash out" merger in which all of the shares of the remaining shareholders, plus a small portion of the shares of the Investor Group, (aggregating approximately 35,300,000 shares) will be "cashed out" at a price of $1.325 per share, up from $1.30 per share, the price originally proposed by the Investor Group. The Investor Group advised the company that it has a bank commitment which will provide sufficient funds to consummate the merger. The merger is conditioned, among other things, upon certain regulatory approvals and the approval of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of the company, other than the Investor Group, who vote on the merger.

Consistent with the terms of the merger agreement, the Special Committee expects to retain an advisor to solicit and entertain better offers. The company may extend the closing date or terminate the merger to consider a better offer. If the Special Committee receives an all-cash offer to buy all of the outstanding common shares of the company or substantially all of the assets of the company on terms more favorable to all shareholders than the merger, the Investor Group has advised the company that it will sell to the person making the better offer, provided the transaction is approved by the board of directors and by the holders of a majority of the shares of the company, other than the Investor Group, voting on that proposal.

The board of directors, acting on the recommendation of the Special Committee, has determined to recommend the acceptance of the merger agreement to the company's shareholders. The board has scheduled a special meeting of shareholders to consider the merger agreement for Dec. 27. Shareholders of

record as of Nov. 15 will be entitled to vote at that meeting.

Academy Insurance Group Inc. is an insurance and financial services company that provides life, health and property/casualty products to specialty or "niche" markets. The company's primary market is noncommissioned and petty officers and their families. Academy's products are endorsed by the Non Commissioned Officers Association (NCOA).

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HOUSTON (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - American General Corp. (NYSE:AGC) today announced third quarter net income $151.1 million or $1.26 per share, compared to $93.3 million or 77 cents per share reported for the third quarter of 1989. Operating earnings, which exclude realized investment gains, increased 20 percent to 91 cents per share in the 1990 third quarter, compared to 76 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989.

American General also announced that its board of directors today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 80 cents per common share, payable Dec. 1, 1990, to holders of record on Nov. 7, 1990. This represent a common dividend payout of 88 percent of operating earnings and 63 eprcent of net income for the third quarter. This dividend is a continuation of the rate announced on May 2, 1990 which is intended to provide shareholders with an additional return while they wait for the sale process to be completed.

American General's board also set a Dec. 3, 1990 deadline for submitting bids in connection with the pending sale process. This deadline applies to both the proposed sale of the company as a whole, announced on May 2, 1990, and the restructuring plan providing for the sale of the Home Service insurance companies, announced on Sept. 19, 1990.

In commenting on the bid deadline, Harold S. Hook, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The board has determined that after almost six months, the time has come to bring the sale process to an orderly conclusion and determine whether a sale, or other course of action, will best serve the interests of our shareholders. While there can be no assurance that any sale will take place, a number of parties have indicated that they are interested in the Home Service companies and that they will be able to complete their evaluations and make their proposals within this time frame."

American General's board, in order to fully involve all parties in the sale process, also authorized management to make confidential information available without requiring restrictions that certain parties found objectionable. Hook added that, "The board reached this decision based on its judgment that it was more important to bring the sale process to a conclusion than to insist that

all parties abide by the original terms of the confidentiality agreement."

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SOUTHFIELD, MICH. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - D.O.C Optics Corporation (NASDAQ: DOCO) announced today the purchase of approximately 459,000 shares of its outstanding common stock from the Kelso Companies/Fidelity International Limited/FMR Corp. group at a price of $4.18 per share.

D.O.C believes this purchase is in the best interests of the company and its stockholders, and reflects management's confidence in the company's long-term prospects for growth and profitability.

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MESA, AZ (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) has received a $40.1 million contract from the U.S. Army for spare main rotor blades for the AH-64 Apache multi-mission combat helicopter.

Under the contract awarded to McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co. in mid-October, the Army will purchase 573 blades to restock its supply system.

The supply system was significantly impacted in late 1989 following storms in Texas and South Carolina.

During those storms, 111 Apaches were damaged. Approximately 160 main rotor blades were damaged beyond repair.

This 573-blade order, an increase from the original request for 329 blades, will bring the number of main rotor blades in the Army pipeline to a level necessary to meet anticipated needs.

Apaches are stationed throughout the United States and overseas. Additionally, Apaches are in the Middle East supporting Operation Desert Shield.

The blades on order will include modifications made over the past two years. Other blades in this same configuration are in service and already have logged more than 1,400 hours without blade removal. The Army standard is 1,500 hours between removal for repair.

The first blades from this order will be delivered in mid- 1991 at a rate of

approximately 40 per month. Apache main rotor blades are manufactured by the Composites Structures Division of Alcoa Inc., in Monrovia, Calif.

Cost of each blade is approximately $70,000. Apaches have four main rotor blades, each approximately 22 feet long. The Apache is a twin-engine combat helicopter designed to perform its missions day or night and in adverse weather.

Through September, the Army had accepted 617 of the 807 Apaches it has on order. In addition, McDonnell Douglas is under contract to produce Apaches for Egypt and Israel and has received interest from several other nations around the world.

CONTACT: Hal Klopper of McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co., 602-891-5519

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EVERETT, WASH. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - INTERMEC Corp. (NASDAQ: INTR) recently announced a new line of FCC approved spread spectrum radio frequency products which provide a wireless network for automated data collection. To date, INTERMEC Corp. is the first and only manufacturer of automated data collection products to have FCC approval to offer spread spectrum technology.

With spread spectrum technology, information is transmitted over a broad band of frequencies instead of a single FCC assigned frequency. Data is digitally broken down into discreet bits, encoded and transmitted across the whole spectrum of frequencies. Spread spectrum wide band radio frequency technology incorporates wireless network data communications at high speeds with low susceptibility to transimission interference.

According to INTERMEC Chairman John W. Paxton, INTERMEC also offers narrow band radio frequency technology, a cost effective solution for those not requiring the high speed capabilities of spread spectrum. "The combination of these two solution sets uniquely positions INTERMEC to offer the full range of wireless data collection technology to meet our customers' varied needs in many different environments."

The spread spectrum radio frequency technology is compatible with INTERMEC'S broad line of automated data collection hardware, including controllers, printers, portable and on-line readers. Paxton said that the resulting wireless data collection network "provides the enhanced functionality of RF technology and a cost-efficient migration strategy that protects the investment of existing customers already using INTERMEC's CrossBar(R) data collection components."

INTERMEC's family of spread spectum radio frequency products includes the

Model 9180 RF Control Unit ($3,000), Model 9183 Repeater ($2,500), Model 9189 RF Gateway ($2,195), Model 9450 Vehicle Mount Terminal ($5,200), and Model 9181 Base Station Transceiver ($3,200), all prices U.S. All products will be available for shipment Dec. 27.

A pioneer in bar code technology and the world leader in automated data collection information management, INTERMEC Corp. designs, manufactures and markets the most comprehensive line of data collection hardware, software, systems, supplies and service available worldwide.

CONTACT: Geoffrey Abdian or Kimberly Hymas of INTERMEC Corp., 206-348-2600

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#90298p9885 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph V. Pitrofsky has joined Bank of Southern California (OTC "Pink Sheets") as vice president/corporate lending officer, announced Chief Executive Officer Ronald P. Bird, on behalf of the bank's board of directors. Bird added that Pitrofsky's association with the bank became effective Sept. 4, 1990, and that he will be assigned to the bank's downtown office located at 1620 Fifth Ave., pending expansion into the La Jolla, Calif., area.

As a new member of the bank's corporate banking department, Pitrofsky is responsible to develop and maintain a lending portfolio geared to the bank's commercial accounts.

Prior to his affiliation with Bank of Southern California, he was commercial loan officer at La Jolla Bank & Trust and credit analyst of Denver's Lakeside National Bank. He is director of the La Jolla Kiwanis Club and a member of the San Diego Junior Chamber of Commerce. Pitrofsky is a long-time La Jolla resident.

Pitrofsky is a 1982 graduate of University of Colorado at Boulder. Bank of Southern California operates three conveniently located branches including escrow services at all locations: downtown at 1620 Fifth Ave.; Midway/Rosecrans at 3026 Midway Dr.; and Point Loma at 1004 Rosecrans St. Bank of Southern California is committed to providing the highest quality and most innovative financial products and servicing to San Diego County.

CONTACT: Ronald P. Bird, president and CEO of the Bank of Southern California, 619-239-7337

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#90298p9892 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

EVERETT, WASH. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - INTERMEC Corp. (NASDAQ: INTR) today

announced a new toll-free line for customers who use INTERMEC hardware, software and applications support. The new number offers customers free and immediate assistance from experienced certified service representatives and application analysts located throughout the United States.

According to Gene Harmegnies, national service manager for INTERMEC, the new toll-free line automatically routes customer calls to the appropriate local field office. "This limits waiting time and gives the customer one number to call for all their technical support needs. Concurrently, we help the customer sustain a valuable working relationship with their local support team."

The toll-free number is a new feature of the well established MEDALLION(R) Service Program, a comprehensive set of hardware, software and applications support services. "With over 40 service locations throughout the U.S., we are stategically positioned to respond to the needs of our customers. Our professional team of service representatives and application analysts can provide site surveys, installations, training and post installation support."

INTERMEC's toll-free service number is 800-755-5505. For further information, contact INTERMEC Corp., 6001 36th Avenue West, P.O. Box 4280, Everett, WA 98203-9280, telephone 206-348-2600, Telex 3794107, or fax 206-355-9551.

A pioneer and world leader in automated data collection, INTERMEC designs, manufactures and markets the most comprehensive line of data collection hardware, software, supplies, systems and services available for information management worldwide.

CONTACT: Geoffrey Abdian or Kimberly Hymas of INTERMEC Corp., 206-355-9551

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#90298p9893 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Jennifer A. Dooper has joined Bank of Southern California (OTC "Pink Sheets") as assistant vice president/financial services, announced Chief Executive Officer Ronald P. Bird, on behalf of the bank's board of directors. Bird added that Dooper's association with the bank became effective Oct. 1, 1990 and that she is assigned to the bank's downtown office located at 1620 Fifth Ave.

As assistant vice president in financial services, Dooper's primary duties include new business development and financial portfolio management with emphasis on commercial and retail banking.

Prior to joining Bank of Southern California, Dooper was account executive at Great American Bank and sales associate with Nordstrom Inc. She is a 1989 graduate of National University were she earned a degree with honors in

business administration with a marketing emphasis. Affiliations include United Way volunteer and contributor, 4-H member and volunteer, National University Entrepreneur Club and Business Network membership.

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CONTACT: Ronald P. Bird, president and CEO of Bank of Southern California, 619-239-7337

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#90298p9895 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL SEGUNDO, CA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Infonet, the leading international value-added network services company, today announced that it will serve as the public data network for worldwide users of the TradeRef database application developed by the Legal Information Systems and Technologies (LIST) Foundation in Vancouver, Canada.

LIST's TradeRef database provides current information on international customs regulations. It is designed to help customs officers, customs brokers, exporters, importers, trade consultants, commercial law firms and freight forwarders throughout the world.

The application resides on a mainframe computer at the Westbridge Computer Corporation in Regina, Saskatchewan. Infonet's global public data network will connect interested parties in major cities worldwide to the Westbridge data processing centre, so they can gain access to LIST's TradeRef database.

Both Infonet and Westbridge will manage their respective operations round-the-clock, seven days a week and provide 24-hour telephone hotlines for international customer support.

A not-for-profit society founded in May 1989, the LIST Foundation is governed by a board of directors representing the Canadian business and academic communities, government and legal profession. Its mission is to establish a world-class applied technology center which will deliver "intelligent" legal knowledge systems and services.

LIST's TradeRef, an Artificial Intelligence Project in International Trade Regulation, is sponsored by several Canadian government departments, including External Affairs; Communications; Revenue Canada (Customs and Excise); and Industry, Science, and Technology.

TradeRef will substantially reduce import-export costs for such organizations

and make it much simpler for government customs officials to assign correct tariff classifications," stated Hildyard.

CONTACT: Mike Radice of Infonet, 213-335-2875; or John Hogarth of the LIST Foundation, 604-660-3296

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#90298p9903 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Rising and unstable fuel costs have caused the entire U.S. airline industry to re-evaluate business operations. "In every board room of this nation's eleven commercial carriers, there have been serious discussions of how to survive the current cost-of-fuel crisis," said John Nelson, executive vice president, marketing, for Continental Airlines.

Appearing before Denver business leaders at a Rotary Club luncheon, Nelson reported that the board of directors of Continental Airlines Holdings Inc. met Monday and "flatly rejected any bankruptcy option for dealing with mounting fuel costs."

In relation to other carriers, Nelson characterized Continental as "better off in some ways" in dealing with the current national crisis. The fact that Continental has the lowest operating costs (cost per available seat mile) among major carriers makes the carrier "leaner and more competitive."

In terms of cost-cutting measures, Nelson said, "The last thing we would do in any shape or form is damage our people - our 37,000 employees. They are young enthusiastic and becoming very proficient. We are going to absolutely protect them."

Nelson went on to comment that marginal flights which will be cut, and the seventeen fuel inefficient aircraft scheduled to be parked, will have no significant impact on Continental's service. Beyond these measures, he indicated that "non-strategic" assets will be evaluated for possible sale.

Referencing Continental's position at its Denver Hub and its new airport agreement with the City and County of Denver, Nelson said, "I assure you we will be landing planes at Denver tomorrow ... next week ... next month ... next year, and we intend to land the first plane at your new airport in 1993."

CONTACT: Corporate Communications, Continental Airlines, 713-834-5080

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#90298p9912 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHARDSON, Texas (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Rubicon Corp. (NASDAQ: RBCN) today announced it has begun installation of the latest version of Rubicon's intRlab(R) systems acquired by MDS-Hudson Valley Laboratories Inc., in

Poughkeepsie, N.Y. MDS-Hudson Valley Laboratories is a joint venture among Vassar Brothers Hospital, Northern Dutchess Hospital and MDS Health Group Inc.

"This new installation highlights the multi-site networking capabilities of intRlab(R)," said Rich Weitzel, Rubicon's vice president of Development. "The MDS-Hudson Valley installation also serves as a great example of Rubicon's abilities to customize intRlab(R) systems to meet health care providers' unique operating requirements."

The intRlab(R) Hospital and Reference systems, to be installed at four laboratories will communicate with hospital information systems at Vassar Brothers Hospital and Northern Dutchess Hospital. Result reporting to Julia Butterfield Hospital will also be supported.

"The reference system will support testing from hospitals, remote collection centers, clinics and physician offices," added Weitzel.

Rubicon is a 15-year-old Richardson, Texas based developer of computerized laboratory information management systems for independent laboratories, hospitals and health maintenance organizations. Rubicon's intRlab(R) laboratory systems products run on Digital Equipment Corp.'s PDP and VAX computers and use Digital Standard MUMPS language to provide highly stable, maintainable turnkey solutions.

CONTACT: Rich Weitzel of Rubicon, 214-231-6591; or Charles J. Luce of MDS-HVL 914-452-4242

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#90298p9916 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

PASADENA, Calif. (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Avery Dennison Corp. (NYSE, PSE: AVY) today increased the quarterly cash dividend to 18 cents per share, from the previous 16 cents per share. The increase is the amount described in the proxy statement concerning the merger of Avery International Corp. with Dennison Manufacturing Co.

The dividend is payable on Dec. 19, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 5, 1990.

Charles D. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer, said the increased dividend reflects Avery Dennison's confidence in its future earnings growth opportunities.

The dividend will be increased to 20 cents after final court approval of the proposed settlement of the previously announced litigation, which was brought by a Dennison shareholder against Dennison and its directors.

Avery Dennison, headquartered in Pasadena, is a leading worldwide manufacturer

of pressure-sensitive adhesives and materials; office products; product identification and control systems; and specialty chemicals.

CONTRACT: Diane B. Dixon (media), 818-304-2118 or Wayne H. Smith (investor relations), 818-304-2001, of Avery Dennison

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#90298p9922 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL PASO, Texas (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - El Paso Refinery L.P. (NYSE: ELP) announced the declaration of a 75 cents per unit distribution on its cumulative participating convertible preferred units (preferred units) payable Nov. 30, 1990 to record holders as of Nov. 15, 1990.

Net income for the quarter ended September 30, 1990 totaled $5.6 million, or 43 cents per unit, on sales of $94.8 million as compared with net income of its predecessor entities of $1.5 million on sales of $63.8 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. The selling prices the partnership received for refined products during the quarter were generally responsive to the rapid rise in crude oil cost resulting from the crisis in the Middle East. Refined products sold during the quarter averaged 32,724 barrels per day, an increase of 13.1 percent compared with an average of 28,941 barrels per day in the third quarter of 1989. This increase was attributable to both higher average processing rates and the inclusion of TM&S Oil Co. (TM&S) sales beginning June 1, 1990.

The partnership's net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $11.5 million, or 89 cents per unit, on sales of $231.8 million as compared with predecessor entities' net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 of $9.6 million on sales of $184.4 million. Refined products sold during the three quarters of 1990 averaged 32,201 barrels per day, an increase of 16.3 percent compared with an average of 27,704 barrels per day in the three quarters of 1989.

On Nov. 1, 1989 the partnership assumed the refining operations and assets of El Paso Refining Inc. in connection with the sale to he public of a 43 percent limited partnership interest in the partnership. The partnership raised net proceeds from the offering of approximately $127 million which are being utilized primarily for the expansion of the partnership's El Paso, Texas refinery from 26,000 barrels per day to 55,000 barrels per day. Expansion of the refinery is continuing to progress on schedule with completion of the initial phase anticipated in mid-1991. On May 31, 1990, the partnership acquired TM&S in exchange for 260,000 newly issued preferred units. TM&S is a multi-brand retailer and wholesaler of fuel and lubricants in the El Paso area.

CONTACT: Michael D. Shelton or Timothy J. Hammer, 915-772-1433, both of El Paso Refinery L.P.,

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#90298p9925 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Mary Neagoy, press manager for NBC News' "Today" show, today was named the NBA's director of business public relations, Commissioner David J. Stern announced.

"With the expanding business and entertainment activities of the NBA and its related companies, having someone with Mary Neagoy's expertise is essential and we are delighted that she will be joining us," said Stern. "Her first assignment will be the launch of 'NBA's Inside Stuff,' the Saturday magazine program on NBC, produced by NBA Entertainment, and she also will be responsible for building and developing our relationships with the business and entertainment media."

As press manager for the "Today" show, Neagoy had responsibility for promoting the program, its anchors, correspondents and producers. Prior to that she had been publicity representative for several NBC entertainment shows, including "The Cosby Show," "Saturday Night Live," "Later with Bob Costas," "Friday Night Videos" and "Saturday Night's Main Event."

In March and April 1989, she helped establish the public relations department at CNBC, NBC's Consumer News & Business Channel, in preparation for the cable network's national launch.

Prior to joining NBC in May 1987, Neagoy was publicity director for Ms. Magazine and publicity manager for Rolling Stone Magazine. A native of Rocky River, Ohio, she is a graduate of the College of Wooster.

CONTACT: Brian McIntyre, Terry Lyons or Cheri White of the NBA, 212-826-7000

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#90298p9929 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire
VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp. (NASDAQ: CLCDF, Vancouver: CLV) today announced record results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the first quarter, sales increased 233 percent to US$12,070,493 (Cdn. $13,989,908) compared to US$3,623,153 (Cdn. $4,199,297) reported in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. The Company reported net income for the quarter of US$1,012,692 (Cdn $1,173,728) or US$0.09 (Cdn. $0.10) per share. For the comparable quarter of fiscal 1990, the Company reported a net loss of US$765,636 (Cdn. $887,385),or US$0.10 (Cdn $0.11) per share.

Commenting on the results, Douglas L. Mason, President of Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp., stated "We are very encouraged to be on target with our fiscal 1991 business plan which calls for a four fold increase in revenues and a

substantial improvement in net income. The demand for Clearly Canadian (TM) products remains strong and we anticipate that this trend will continue throughout the current fiscal year as our US and international distribution network is expanded."

Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp. produces and markets Clearly Canadian (TM), a line of natural and flavored sparkling mineral waters. Through distribution agreements, Clearly Canadian is sold in 30 states, all of Canada, Japan and England.

CONTACT: Daniel Evans, of Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp., 604-683-0312.

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#90298p9931 10/25/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 25) PR NEWSWIRE - Johnson Products Co. Inc. (AMEX: JPC) today announced higher sales and improved results for the year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Sales for the fiscal year were $33,347,000, up 14 percent from fiscal 1989 sales of $29,368,000. Fiscal 1990 net income was $2,125,000, or 53 cents per share compared to $2,009,000, or 50 cents per share for fiscal 1989.

Fiscal 1990 net income includes the previously reported gain of $369,000 on the sale of common stock of Johnson Products Nigeria, other income of $269,000 and the utilization of a tax loss carryforward credit of $677,000. Fiscal 1989 net income includes a gain of $2,200,000 from the sale of real estate and the utilization of a tax loss carryforward credit of $754,000.

Eric G. Johnson, president and chief executive officer, said, "Although net income between years appears comparable, fiscal 1990 income from operations was $2,318,000 compared to $553,000 in fiscal 1989. The increase represents our continued emphasis on cost containment coupled with the increase in sales. Sales generated from the M & M brands acquired in February, 1990 contributed to the 14 percent sales increase for the year."

Johnson Products manufactures and markets personal care products for retail and professional markets domestically and internationally, under such leading brand names as Gentle-Treatment, Ultra Sheen, Classy Curl, Sta-Sof-Fro and Sof N' Free.

Johnson Products is a publicly traded company listed on the American Stock Exchange under the trading symbol "JPC."

CONTACT: Thomas Polke, v.p., finance, of Johnson Products, 312-483-4100.

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#90298t0248 10/25/1990 ~ts

BEIRUT (OCT. 25) TASS - ISRAELI AIRCRAFT AND HELICOPTERS ON WEDNESDAY EVENING CONDUCTED AN AIR RAID ON THE RASHIDIA PALESTINIAN REFUGEE CAMP NEAR THE LEBANESE TOWN OF TIR. SOME 17,000 PALESTINIANS LIVE IN THE CAMP.

THE BOMBING RESULTED IN NUMEROUS FIRES, CAUSING CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE TO HOMES. AFTER THE AIR RAID, AIRCRAFT AND HELICOPTERS ! CONTINUED TO PATROL RASHIDIA AND TIR'S SOUTHERN SUBURBS. NO CASUALTIES HAVE BEEN REPORTED.

ON WEDNESDAY, CLASHES WERE REPORTED NEAR JABBUR, KFARKHUN AND TUMATNIKH IN WESTERN BEKAA, BEYOND THE SECURITY ZONE, CREATED BY THE ISRAELIS IN SOUTHERN LEBANON.

ACCORDING TO THE NEWSPAPER AL-SAFIR, TWO ARABS WERE KILLED AND TWO WOUNDED. THE SIDES USED ROCKETS, GRENADE THROWERS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. LEBANESE NATIONAL RESISTANCE FORCES SHELLED ISRAELI ARMY AND SOUTH LEBANON ARMY POSITIONS NEAR ACHMADIYA, KFARKHUN AND TUMATNIKH.

ISRAELIS SHELLED JABBUR, MAIDUN, MASHGARA, AINTINI, ZELAYA AND IKHMUR SETTLEMENTS. AT NIGHT, ISRAELIS COVERED THE AREA WITH CANDLE BOMBS. ISRAELI TROOPS AND THE SOUTH LEBANON ARMY FIRED OVER 150 SHELLS AT SETTLEMENTS IN WESTERN BEKAA BEYOND THE SECURITY ZONE. SEVERAL CIVILIANS WERE WOUNDED.

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#90298t0295 10/25/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (OCT. 25) TASS - THE SOVIET PEACE COMMITTEE HAS EXPRESSED DEEP CONCERN OVER THE UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR EXPLOSION ON THE NOVAYA ZEMLYA ISLAND ON WEDNESDAY. THE PEACE COMMITTEE HAS PROTESTED AGAINST THE TEST AND POINTED OUT THAT THE RESUMPTION OF NUCLEAR TESTING IN THE SOVIET UNION AFTER A YEAR-LONG MORATORIUM IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH THE RECENT APPEAL BY THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET TO THE PARLIAMENTS AND GOVERNMENTS OF ALL COUNTRIES FOR A FULL AND UNIVERSAL BAN ON NUCLEAR TESTING.

SOVIET PEOPLE ARE EQUALLY INDIGNANT OVER THE RECENT SEVEN NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS IN THE UNITED STATES (INCLUDING THE LATEST ONE MEASURING UP TO 100 KILOTONNES) THE FOUR CONDUCTED BY FRANCE AND TWO BY CHINA, INCLUDING THE EXPLOSION MEASURING UP TO 500 KILOTONNES

THE SOVIET COMMITTEE "PHYSICIANS FOR THE PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR" HAS ALSO ISSUED A STATEMENT ON THE NOVAYA ZEMLYA EXPLOSION. THE EXPERIENCE OF THE PAST FOUR MONTHS HAS SHOWN, THE STATEMENT SAYS, THAT THE UNITED STATES IS NOT READY TO ACCEDE TO A COMPLETE BAN ON NUCLEAR TESTING. HOWEVER, THIS IS NO EXCUSE FOR THE SOVIET UNION TO CARRY ON ITS MILITARY NUCLEAR PROGRAMME AFTER THIS COUNTRY HAS GONE THROUGH THE TRAGEDIES OF CHERNOBYL AND KYSHTYM AND KNOWS THE ANGUISH AND PAIN OF SEMIPALATINSK.

THE STATEMENT RECALLS THAT THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT HAS VOTED IN SUPPORT OF THE KAZAKHSTAN POPULATION'S DEMAND FOR AN END TO NUCLEAR TESTS NEAR SEMIPALATINSK.

IT SAYS SOVIET DOCTORS NOW URGE THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT TO ADOPT A SIMILAR RESOLUTION TO OUTLAW NUCLEAR TESTING ON RUSSIAN TERRITORY.

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#90298u0038 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 25) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	7	3	0	14	41	26
New Jersey	6	3	1	13	38	32
Philadelphia	6	3	0	12	37	30
Washington	5	5	0	10	34	32
Pittsburgh	3	5	1	7	36	38
NY Islanders	2	7	0	4	22	40

ADAMS DIVISION

Montreal	6	4	1	13	41	39
Hartford	4	4	2	10	28	31
Quebec	3	4	3	9	34	38
Boston	4	4	1	9	27	35
Buffalo	1	4	3	5	27	30

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	6	4	0	12	34	24
Detroit	5	3	2	12	39	35
St. Louis	5	3	1	11	29	28
Minnesota	2	6	2	6	23	37
Toronto	1	8	1	3	23	46

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	7	1	1	15	45	24
Calgary	6	4	0	12	39	30
Vancouver	5	4	0	10	30	32
Winnipeg	3	6	1	7	33	34
Edmonton	2	4	2	6	27	26

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#90298u0091 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (OCT. 25) UPI - A new test-tube baby method using eggs donated by younger women shows promise of extending the ability of women to have babies

through their 40s or beyond, researchers said.

''It was kind of phenomenal,'' Dr. Mark Sauer said of the results of a study involving seven women aged 40 to 44 with non-functioning ovaries who received embryos created from their husbands' sperm and the eggs of younger women.

Six of the recipients became pregnant, resulting in the births of five children, one miscarriage and one stillbirth. Their pregnancy rate was about three times better than that achieved in most in vitro fertilization programs, said Sauer, of Women's Hospital and the University of Southern California in Los Angeles.

The study indicates ''a woman's reproductive life does not have to end at 40 and probably goes well into the fifth decade,'' he said. For women in good health who receive good medical care this may be ''a new chapter in the biological clock phenomenon,'' Sauer said.

In an editorial accompanying the report, published Wednesday in The New England Journal of Medicine, executive editor Dr. Marcia Angell said the ''limits on the childbearing years are now anyone's guess; perhaps they will have more to do with the stamina required for labor and 2 a.m. feedings than with reproductive function.''

Although the study adds another twist to ethical and legal controversies swirling around new reproductive technologies, Angell noted that these methods help infertile couples have children who are ''badly wanted and greatly prized.'' As such, ''It is hard to object to this,'' she added.

American women increasingly have been delaying childbirth to later in life, when the risk for birth defects goes up and the ability to conceive a child decreases. Sauer said the new research promises to help women in their 40s or even 50s whose ovaries have stopped functioning because of menopause to have babies.

In addition, he said that by using eggs of younger women, which are less likely to be defective, the chances of producing a child with birth defects such as Down's syndrome may be reduced.

Because of fertility problems that often include blocked fallopian tubes, many women have turned to in vitro fertilization, which involves removing one or more eggs from a woman's ovaries, fertilizing an egg with sperm, then implanting a resulting embryo in the uterus. The technique has resulted in the birth of an estimated 20,000 children, but scientists say usually it works only 20 percent to 25 percent of the time at best.

Most in vitro fertilization uses a woman's own eggs and many programs discourage women in their 40s from undergoing the procedure because of poor success rates. ''We found very few groups interested in dealing with women

over 40, so that makes our results even more interesting,'' Sauer said.

Because the ovaries of the embryo recipients had undergone ''early failure,'' the researchers obtained eggs from three fertile women aged 31 to 34 who were given female hormones to stimulate their ovaries to produce multiple eggs.

The recipients of the embryos also were given hormones - but at lower dosage levels - to artificially prepare the lining of their uteri for the embryos. The researchers thus simulated the natural process of egg fertilization and embryo implantation.

In most cases, several embryos were transferred to each recipient, but the overall implantation rate - 36 percent - was higher than usual, Sauer said. Of the seven recipients, three had single live births, one had twins, one had a miscarriage, one had a stillbirth and one failed to become pregnant.

Sauer said the study may help settle a debate about whether fertility declines in older women largely because of changes in the uterine lining or problems with aging eggs that become more likely to be defective.

The new research strongly suggests that ''a lot of the loss of fertility is related to aging of the egg and is not so much a uterine problem,'' Sauer said. Sauer said the research also indicates that low success rates for in vitro fertilization when a woman's own eggs are used may happen because the hormone doses used to stimulate multiple egg production may have a detrimental effect the uterine lining, making embryo implantation less liking.

That is also the suggestion of a second study appearing in the medical journal, in which Israeli researchers implanted embryos in women in their early 30s, using a woman's own eggs in some cases and donated eggs in others.

Although they achieved a high pregnancy rate in both groups, the doctors at Chaim Sheba Medical Center in Tel Hashomer said they found that ''fresh embryos were implanted better in the recipients than in the donors.'' They also found the implantation rate was 24 percent when fresh embryos were used, but only 7.7 percent when they used embryos that had been frozen.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BOXING

Las Vegas, Nev. - c-Buster Douglas vs. Evander Holyfield, 12, heavyweight title; Riddick Bowe vs. Bert Cooper, 10, heavyweights.

Phoenix, Ariz. - Michael Carbajal vs. Luis Monzote, 10, light flyweights.

GOLF

Houston - $2.5 PGA Nabisco Championship.

HOCKEY

Vancouver at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Buffalo at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.
Quebec at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.
Washington at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.
Toronto at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Edmonton at Calgary, 9:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Brighton, England - $350,000 Midland Bank Championships
Dallas - $350,000 Virginia Slims of Dallas
Stockholm, Sweden - $1.1 million Stockholm Open

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#90298u0098 10/25/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 25) UPI - A senior Interior Ministry source in Cairo says security forces arrested a machine-gun- and pistol-toting Egyptian as he tried to enter the country from Iraqi-occupied Kuwait by way of Jordan. But the source says authorities DON'T believe the man was involved in any extremist conspiracy. Instead, it's believed the man was planning to sell the weapons. The arrest comes as the search continues for the killer of Egypt's speaker of parliament.

Researchers say a new test-tube baby method may help women have babies through their 40's or beyond. Dr. Mark Sauer of the University of Southern California in Los Angeles calls the results ''kind of phenomenal.'' The experiment involved seven women, ages 40 to 44, who received embryos using eggs from younger women. Six of the seven became pregnant... resulting in five births, one miscarriage and one stillbirth.

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#90298u0099 10/25/1990 ~United Press International
CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (OCT. 25) UPI - The shuttle Atlantis passed a critical fueling test without any signs of dangerous hydrogen leaks, clearing the way for launch around Nov. 10 on a classified mission to put a spy satellite in orbit.

The successful fueling test Wednesday marked a major milestone for NASA after a summer of setbacks and delays blamed on elusive hydrogen fuel leaks that

grounded Atlantis in July and the shuttle Columbia in May and September.

Columbia, mounted atop launch pad 39B, remains grounded pending the results of yet another fueling test next week. But Atlantis finally appears ready for takeoff, four months behind schedule.

''We conducted a very successful test,'' said Forrest McCartney, director of the Kennedy Space Center. ''We saw exactly what we expected to see, a good, tight system both externally and internally. I think we're ready to fly.''

Relieved NASA managers plan to hold a two-day flight readiness review Monday and Tuesday to discuss the status of launch processing and to set an official launch date for the 37th shuttle mission, the fifth so far this year.

As usual with such military flights, the exact launch time will remain classified until nine minutes before liftoff. But sources who requested anonymity said takeoff is planned for 6:47 p.m. EST on Nov. 10, possibly as early as Nov. 9 if work at launch pad 39A continues to go well.

The goal of the flight, according to Aviation Week & Space Technology magazine is the launch of a photo-reconnaissance spy satellite into an orbit that will repeatedly carry it over the Persian Gulf.

The duration of the shuttle flight also is classified, but sources told United Press International the mission will last three days, 23 hours and 55 minutes, resulting in a landing at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., at 3:42 p.m. PST on Nov. 14.

Atlantis has been grounded for more than four months because of a tiny hydrogen leak that was detected during a fueling test June 29. But with the successful test Wednesday, ''it appears we have licked the problem ... and it appears we have a very clean vehicle,'' said NASA spokesman Bruce Buckingham.

Launch originally was scheduled for mid July, but the flight was put on hold when sensors detected explosive hydrogen gas in the area where fuel lines from the external tank enter the belly of the orbiter.

That test was conducted after Columbia was grounded the night before a planned May 30 liftoff because of a similar leak.

But Columbia also showed signs of leakage inside its engine room and NASA officials now believe the spaceplane was the victim of two separate leaks, one of which has yet to be pinpointed.

Atlantis's problem was traced to damaged seals inside a 17-inch-wide ''disconnect'' fitting that allows the external tank to be jettisoned in space. The seals were replaced and NASA managers were confident Atlantis was ready for flight.

To make sure, engineers began pumping supercold liquid hydrogen rocket fuel through Atlantis's engine room plumbing shortly after 1 p.m. EDT Wednesday.

At 1:24 p.m., high-speed hydrogen loading began. It was at this point during three previous fueling tests that explosive hydrogen gas was detected near the disconnect fitting.

But this time around, no significant leaks were detected externally around the fuel line fittings and concentrations in Atlantis's engine room amounted to just 175 parts per million, well below NASA's conservative redline of 500 parts per million. The test ended about 1:50 p.m.

''We seem to have a very tight vehicle at the pad this afternoon,'' Buckingham said. ''We have just very minor indications of liquid hydrogen seeping into the aft compartment near our sensors, but it's well within limitations.''

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(OCT. 25) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Boston - Announced they will not pick up the option year on the contract of outfielder Dwight Evans.

California - Hired Bruce Hines as first base coach and Frank Reberger as bullpen coach.

Chicago (AL) - Named Doug Abel director of public relations and community affairs, Barb Kozuh manager of fundraising and publications and John Ralph coordinator of publications.

Detroit - Announced pitcher Jack Morris exercised his 1991 contract option.

Houston - Announced they will not exercise option on 1991 contract for outfielder Terry Puhl; announced they will not offer salary arbitration to catcher Rich Gedman.

Los Angeles - Named Paul Kalil director of advertising and special events.

San Francisco - Purchased the contract of pitcher Kevin Rogers; placed pitcher Jose Alvarez on waivers for the purpose of giving him his unconditional release.

Toronto - Signed Rich Hacker as third-base coach.

BASKETBALL

Cedar Rapids (CBA) - Signed forwards James Scott, Joel DeBortoli, Demone Webster and guard Chris Harris.

NBA - Fined forward Mark Bryant of the Portland Trail Blazers $5,000 and suspended him without pay for the first regular season game for fighting during an exhibition game against Sacramento.

Seattle - Traded guard Avery Johnson to Denver for a conditional 1997 second round draft choice.

COLLEGE

Arkansas-Little Rock - Accepted an invitation to join the Sun Belt Conference starting in 1991-1992.

Clarion (Pa.) - Named Ken Nellis assistant wrestling coach and Grayling Gordon assistant men's basketball coach.

St. Louis - Signed men's basketball coach Rich Grawer to a multi-year contract.

Washington - Announced retirement of athletic director Mike Lude, effective Jan. 15, named Chuck Armstrong interim athletic director.

Western New Mexico - Announced running back Jerrod Martin and defensive back J.J. Velasco left football team.

Winthrop - Named Jack Frost sports information director.

FOOTBALL

Arena Football League - Granted expansion franchises to Chicago and Columbus, Ohio.

Detroit - Waived safety John Miller and cornerback William Judson.

LA Raiders - Placed tight end Andy Parker on injured reserve; signed tight end Ken Whisenhunt; signed cornerback Garry Lewis and tight end Rich Bartlewski to their practice squad.

New England - Placed safety Brian Hutson on injured reserve; activated tight end Zeke Mowatt.

Phoenix - Placed wide receiver Don Holmes and linebacker Jeroy Robinson on injured reserve; activated running back Ron Wolfley from injured reserve; signed nose tackle Craig Patterson; placed cornerback Stanley Blair on the practice squad.

HOCKEY

Pittsburgh - Reached agreement with defenseman Paul Coffey on multi-year contract.

NHL - Suspended Chicago Blackhawks defenseman Dave Manson for four games for deliberately attempting to injure Drake Berehowsky of Toronto.

TENNIS

International Tennis Federation - Announced resignation of women's tennis director Barbara Wancke.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - A compromise offer from House Democrats Wednesday afternoon may have led to agreement on a deficit-cutting budget plan. Significant progress was reported following a late-night bargaining session attended by congressional leaders from both parties, budget director Richard Darman and Treasury Secretary Brady. Several participants say only minor details remain to be ironed out.

Congress passed another stopgap spending measure Wednesday night to keep government operations running through Saturday. The White House issued a statement, saying President Bush would likely sign the measure early Thursday if a temporary budget agreement was reached.

Humphrey the wrong-way whale returned to the open sea Wednesday evening... after teasing his would-be rescuers by spending the day swimming around San Francisco Bay. Officials were worried the 40-ton humpback would get stuck again on the mud flats where he spent nearly two days mired in the mud. In 1985, Humphrey became a world celebrity when he led rescuers on a 25-day sojourn through Northern California's inland waterways.

Two New Jersey doctors issued a warning about the dangers of microwave popcorn bags. In a letter, the physicians say the steam that builds up in the paper microwavable bags can cause painful burns... especially to the eyes. They say manufacturers should take steps to include warnings on their products.

The six Balkan states Wednesday opened their first diplomatic conference to be held in communist Albania. They made a pledge to cooperate... even as Greece UNexpectedly attacked the host nation's rigid Marxist system. The Greek foreign minister called on the Albanian government to respect political, religious and human rights. Besides Greece and Albania, the Balkan states also include Yugoslavia, Romania, Bulgaria and Turkey.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

NY Islanders	0	0	2-2
Montreal	0	3	5-8

First period-No scoring.

Penalties-Pilon, NYI, :20; Schneider, Mtl, 4:48.

Second period-1, Montreal, Gilchrist 3 (Carbonneau), :33. 2, Montreal, Corson 1 (Lebeau, Chorske), 8:35. 3, Montreal, Chorske 2 (Lebeau, Cassels), 14:14.

Penalties-Gilchrist, Mtl, 4:40; Sutter, NYI, 5:38; Mtl bench (served by Chorske), 15:53; Vukota, NYI, 18:20.

Third period-4, Montreal, Lebeau 2 (Cassels, Chorske), 3:34. 5, NY Islanders, Sutter 4 (LaFontaine, King), pp, 5:14. 6, Montreal, Schneider 2 (Cassels, Lebeau), pp, 12:11. 7, Montreal, Richer 7 (McPhee, Skrudland), 13:49. 8, Montreal, Schneider 3 (Savard, Keane), 16:04. 9, Montreal, Keane 4 (Savard), 18:20. 10, NY Islanders, LaFontaine 2 (Maloney, Wood), 19:28.

Penalties-Cassels, Mtl, 4:01; Pilon, NYI, 9:38; Maneluk, NYI, (served by Maloney), 10:29.

Shots on goal-NY Islanders 10-6-11-27. Montreal 11-10-22-43.

Power-play conversions-NY Islanders 4-1. Montreal 5-1.

Goaltenders-NY Islanders, Hackett, Maneluk, (:00 3rd period). Montreal, Roy. A-16,321.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

St.Louis	4-2-2-8
Toronto	1-0-2-3

First period-1, St. Louis, Hull 8 (Bassen, Brind'Amour), 2:39. 2, St. Louis, Ronning 2 (Featherstone), 5:14. 3, St. Louis, Brind'Amour 1 (Hull, G.Cavallini), 7:19. 4, Toronto, Reid 2 (Maguire, McIntyre), 7:47. 5, St. Louis Hull 9 (G.Cavallini, Featherstone), 14:43.

Penalties-G.Cavallini, StL, major (fighting), 0:28; Franceschetti, Tor, major (fighting), 0:28; Iafrate, Tor, 0:49; Sutter, StL, 0:49; M.Marois, StL, 11:58.

Second period-6, St. Louis, Sutter 1 (Courtnall, Oates), 2:49. 7, St. Louis,

P.Cavallini 2 (Ronning, G. Cavallini), 17:26.

Penalties-Lowry, StL, 1:40; Ramage, Tor, 1:40; Bassen, StL, 2:53; Maguire, Tor 2:53; Sutter, StL, 5:48; Iafrate, Tor, minor (misconduct), 5:48; Olczyk, Tor, 7:53; Lowry, StL, 15:24; Ramage, Tor, double minor, 15:24; Iafrate, Tor, 19:32; Brown, StL, 19:43.

Third period-8, St. Louis, Oates 1 (Courtnall), 6:17. 9, St. Louis, Hull 10 (Courtnall), pp, 8:39. 10, Toronto, Osborne 2 (Olczyk, Leeman), 12:25. 11, Toronto, Osborne 3 (Iafrate, Olczyk), pp, 18:07.

Penalties-Ronning, StL, double minor, 4:17; McIntyre, Tor, double minor, 4:17; Clark, Tor, minor-major (fighting), 6:41; Raglan, StL, major (fighting), 6:41; Iafrate, Tor, 8:33; Bassen, StL, 16:53; Wilson, StL, 17:12; Clark, Tor, 19:22.

Shots on goal-St. Louis 8-20-5-33. Toronto 5-4-14-23.

Power-play conversions-St. Louis 6-1. Toronto 5-1.

Goaltenders-St. Louis, Joseph. Toronto, Ing, Reese. A-16,009.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

Edmonton	0	0-1-1
Winnipeg	0	2-1-3

First period-No scoring.

Penalties-S.Smith, Edm, 4:06; Lamb, Edm, 8:10.

Second period-1, Winnipeg, Housley 2 (Ellett, Sykes), 10:04. 2, Winnipeg, Fenton 3 (Ashton, Numinen), 10:16.

Penalties-Steen, Wpg, 2:34.

Third period-3, Edmonton, Klima 1 (Anderson), sh, 19:39. 4, Winnipeg, McLlain 5 (Steen), 19:58.

Penalties-Steen, Wpg, 6:17; Donnelly, Wpg, 9:31; Linseman, Edm, 14:31; Wheeldon, Wpg, 14:31; MacTavish, Edm, double minor-major (fighting), 18:50; Kumpel, Wpg, 18:50; Donnelly, Wpg, major (fighting), 18:50.

Shots on goal-Edmonton 3-9-12-24. Winnipeg 8-9-6-23.

Power-play conversions-Edmonton 3-0. Winnipeg 3-1.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Ranford. Winnipeg, Beauregard. A-12,185.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

Hartford	0	0-0-0
Minnesota	1	1-1-3

First period-1, Minnesota, Gagner 5 (Musil, Sinisalo), 17:26.

Penalties-Sammuelsson, Har, :48; Churl, Min, 3:36; Cyr, Har, 9:37.

Second period-2, Minnesota, Gagner 6 (Bellows, Broten), pp, 19:48.

Penalties-Sinisalo, Min, 3:49; Craig, Min, 10:18; Ladouceur, Har, 10:18; Krygier, Har, 16:23; Smith, Min, 17:18; Holik, Har, 19:41.

Third period-Minnesota, Gavin 1 (Giles), en, 19:31.

Penalties-Craig, Min, 5:31, Musil, Min, 10:50, Verbeek, Har, 11:32.

Shots on goal-Hartford 8-7-18-33. Minnesota 4-11-8-23.

Power-play conversions-Hartford 5-0. Minnesota 5-1.

Goaltenders-Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. Minnesota, Casey. A-4,646.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 25) UPI - After having a whale of a time sloshing around in the mud and teasing those who would shoo him out of potentially fatal shallow water, Humphrey the humpback slipped under the Golde Gate Bridge and out to sea where he belongs.

''He was headed due west,'' Lance Jones, a spokesman for the Coast Guard said Wednesday night as the fascinating but unwanted tourist ended a three-day visit in which he charmed thousands of curious spectators, but frustrated dozens of marine biologists and volunteers who tried to keep the 40-ton whale from baking in the sun or suffocating under his own weight.

After meandering through San Francisco Bay, for all the world looking like he was teasing his human entourage, Humphrey headed due west into the Pacific, much to the delight of a cheering crowd on the bridge.

It was not clear if Humphrey's group - or pod - was waiting for him in open water.

''They were there on Monday, but we don't know if they're still there,''

Jonessaid.

Although Humphrey, who became a world celebrity in 1985 when he spent nearly a month in San Francisco Bay and jogging up the Sacramento River, had apparently left, Jones admitted he could have turned around and gone back into the Bay under cover of darkness.

A flotilla of rubber boats and a Coast Guard cutter escorted Humphrey, who dove and spouted as if he was thoroughly enjoying himself.

Wetsuit-clad volunteers in rubber dinghies hung metal bars below the water and pounded them with hammers, hoping the annoying racket would drive Humphrey to sea.

Humphrey was seen Wednesday morning foraging for herring off Alcatraz Island, which is just inside the Golden Gate, giving hope that he was headed out of the Bay. But after several hours without being spotted, he was seen several miles away in the wrong direction.

Experts from the nearby Marine Mammal Center who examined Humphrey and identified him by the distinctive markings on his belly and dorsal fin, said he was healthy.

Humphrey was first seen Monday, stranded in less than 3 feet of water in the mud flats. He spent nearly two days stuck in the muck while volunteers used towels and buckets to keep him wet, and worried that his bulk would crush his lungs if he was not floated in deep water.

At Tuesday's high tide, they managed to put a sling around him and a Coast Guard cutter towed the endangered humpback into deep water. But the whale that just seems to like San Francisco played it true to form and headed the wrong way, beaching himself again on a muddy bank.

At Tuesday's second high tide, divers used air compressors to lift him high enough to slip the harness back on, gave a pull, and the whale finally slipped off into deeper water as scientists played a tape- recorded whale-feeding song - only to watch as he cavorted in the Bay and frustrated their attempts to lure him out to sea.

Humpbacks often come close to the California shoreline, especially on their to-and-fro migrations from their Arctic feeding grounds to South American mating areas, but Humphrey is the only one to come in for such a close look.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - President Bush may tell Congress about the use of force in the Persian Gulf only after the fact, but some members will be available for

consultations after adjournment, officials said, while American and British hostages celebrated their return home.

Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu's popularity plummeted after he failed to convince the public to support his plan to send Japanese non- combat troops into the Gulf, newspaper polls said Thursday.

Secretary of State James Baker and Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, in a briefing to House members Wednesday, said the administration might tell Congress only afterward if it were to launch an attack, Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis. said.

''The most difficult problem for them (the administration) is if they use military force in response to a provocation,'' said Aspin, chairman of the House Armed Services Committee. ''My sense is that they would do that (use force) and consult (with Congress) after.''

Congress has been jittery about the prospects the administration would launch an all-out attack against Iraq after it adjourned for the year, without a formal declaration of war.

House Speaker Thomas Foley of Washington said Wednesday that members of the House and Senate will form joint bipartisan committees ''to make themselves available as a group for regular consultation with the president'' after adjournment. Congress is expected to adjourn this week.

Kaifu has failed to convince a majority of Japanese to support his plan to send non-combat troops to the Gulf and has suffered a sharp drop in his personal popularity for his efforts, two newspaper polls said Thursday.

Both polls indicated Kaifu has lost popularity because of his support for a bill which would allow the Japanese military to be dispatched to a war zone for the first time since World War II. The debate over the plan continued in parliament.

Five of 14 Americans freed by Iraq arrived in New York Wednesday evening, the State Department. The other nine were due in at Dulles International Airport near Washington, D.C., Thursday evening.

Forty British hostages celebrated their arrival in Britain Wednesday after nearly three months of captivity in Baghdad, but Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said he found it ''grisly and repulsive'' that Iraq had released only sick and old people.

Accompanying them was former Prime Minister Edward Heath, who secured their release after meeting with Saddam Hussein.

''I find it grisly and repulsive that the Iraqis should set about deciding who

is so sick, who is so old, that they should be released from the position in which no human being should ever be placed,'' said Hurd, to murmurs of approval from members of Parliament.

In addition to the British and Americans, Iraq said all French hostages, numbering about 330, were free to leave the country.

France said it was taking all steps to repatriate its nationals in Iraq and Kuwait as soon as possible, again insisting the release was not the result of negotiations with Baghdad.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas told the weekly Council of Ministers session the release of the hostages was the result of the firm policy followed by France in applying U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

Some diplomats and observers said the move by Saddam to free the French was an attempt to divide the Western alliance formed against Iraq.

King Fahd was quoted by the British Broadcasting Corp. as saying his country's stand in the crisis was unchanged, despite remarks over the weekend by the Saudi defense minister that indicated the kingdom would consider a partial withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait in order to maintain peace.

''The explicit and decisive stance declared by Saudi Arabia towards the Iraqi criminal aggression against fraternal Kuwait is firm, irrevocable, clear and unambiguous,'' Fahd was quoted as saying.

''The stance is not subject to any change or negotiations,'' he said.

Saudi Defense Minister Sultan Bin Abdul Aziz hinted Monday that Kuwait should give Iraq two strategic gulf islands in return for a withdrawal from the rest of the country. The following day he said his remarks had been misinterpreted.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... News from U-P-I. .

President Bush's budget chief says ''it definitely possible'' that a deal may be finalized today to cut the nation's deficit by 500-BILLION dollars during the next five years. Negotiators say they reached a tentative agreement after House Democrats dropped a demand for a surtax on Millionaires.

The United States has for the second time in two weeks voted to condemn Israel. The 15-nation U-N Security Council yesterday adopted a reprimand measure against Israel for refusing a U-N investigation into the deaths two weeks ago of 20 Palestinians on the Temple Mount.

Massachusetts Senator Edward Kennedy is ruling out any congressional action on President Bush's substitute civil rights legislation. The Democrat says Bush is trying to- in his words- ''compromise on discrimination.'' The Senate yesterday by a single vote upheld Bush's veto of the civil rights bill of 1990.

Censorship and obscenity were the topics of a Senate debate yesterday. Senators voted to accept a compromise adopted by the House to replace restrictions on grants by the National Endowment of the Arts. The bill leaves the judgment of art works basically up to the courts.

The White House says the process of picking a replacement for Elizabeth Dole has already begun... but officials are refusing to give any names. However, congressional sources say Republican Representative Lynn Martin of Illinois is one name being floated around on Capitol Hill as a potential labor secretary.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - The chairman of the House Armed Services Committee says he believes the Bush administration would use force, then consult with Congress if provoked in the Persian Gulf. Wisconsin Democrat Les Aspin spoke after hearing an administration status report on the NO war, NO peace gulf situation.

William Bennett is flying to Alaska to campaign for a ban against marijuana. The drug chief is scheduled to arrive in Anchorage late in the day... and will make a series of anti-drug speeches. Alaskans will vote next month on whether to recriminalize marijuana, which is now legal in small amounts for adults.

NASA managers plan to hold a flight readiness review next week to prepare for the nation's 37th shuttle mission. The space agency now hopes to launch the shuttle Atlantis November 10th on a secret military mission. The shuttle passed a critical fueling test yesterday at Cape Canaveral.

A consumer advocacy group is welcoming a measure passed by the Senate yesterday that would require nutrition labeling on almost all food sold by U-S grocery stores. But the Center for Science in the Public Interest also says the reforms should extend to meat and poultry products.

A fascinating, but unwanted tourist has ended a three-day visit to the San Francisco Bay area. The Coast Guard said last night that Humphrey the humpback whale was ''headed due west'' after passing under the Golden Gate Bridge and out to sea after getting stuck in shallow water for two days.

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MANILA, Philippines (OCT. 25) UPI - The National Security Council agreed Thursday to consider maintaining current petroleum prices until the end of the

year, a day after leftist unions staged a violent strike to press demands for pay raises.

A 29 percent increase in petroleum prices last month, sparked by the Persian Gulf crisis, triggered labor demands $1.48 percent raise in the daily minimum wage of $3.46.

The council ''agreed to seriously consider maintaining the current oil prices until the end of the year and to carefully examine the proposals to reduce the foreign debt burden,'' a statement said.

Opposition leader Juan Ponce Enrile and Vice President Salvador Laurel attended the two-hour meeting at the presidential palace - only the second for the council since Aquino became president in 1986.

Aquino has accused Enrile and Laurel of attempting to oust her, but invited them under pressure to resolve worsening economic problems sparked by the Gulf Crisis.

The council members include the speaker of the House of Representatives, the Senate president, the defense secretary, the armed forces chief and Aquino's security advisers.

Economic analysts said more than the natural disasters and political problems hounding Aquino, the most volatile was the impact of the Gulf crisis and the rising petroleum prices.

The Philippines is dependent on oil imports. With a $26 billion foreign debt, an expected $3 billion trade deficit and a $2 billion budget deficit, the country is having difficulty trying to get more loans.

At least 18 vehicles were torched, three people killed and 30 people arrested in the violence that erupted Wednesday during the strike. The strike failed to paralyze the country as the organizers had vowed to do although in some areas of the capital transport owners were scared into locking up their buses.

Officials blamed guerrillas of the communist New People's Army for the violence. It was the first time the 19,000-member NPA, which has been battling the Manila government for 21 years, openly joined a general strike.

Despite vows by organizers to continue their effort, the strike appeared to have fizzled by Thursday. Police said supporters burned four buses outside Manila, firebombed another bus and a beer truck and tossed a grenade, which did not explode, at a land transport office. One busdriver was injured.

The National Democratic Front, political wing of the NPA, urged Filipinos to continue the struggle for ''just economic demands'' and ''overthrow the reactionary system.''

''To decisively fulfill this historic mission, armed struggle must be embraced as a legitimate weapon of the people against the violent ruling system,'' said the statement signed by rebel priest Frank Fernandez, who identified himself as the front's secretary general.

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PARIS (OCT. 25) UPI - President Francois Mitterrand expects war to break out in the Persian Gulf soon and has decided to allow French forces in the region to operate under U.S. command, the International Herald Tribune reported Thursday.

Quoting an unnamed source, the newspaper said Mitterrand thought war was inevitable because of the continuing intransigence on the part of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

On Wednesday, the satirical but reliable newspaper Le Canard Enchaine reported that Mitterrand had told a number of visitors an American attack was imminent. The newspaper said the French leader had cited a time frame between Oct. 25 and Nov. 6, but added this may have changed to allow French hostages to leave Iraq.

Asked to comment on the reports, a spokeswoman for the presidential Elysee Palace said, ''The president had not expressed himself in those terms under any circumstances, public or private.''

The spokeswoman added, ''We do not have any information that allows us to say that the United States is going to attack'' and classified as ''absurd'' the report French forces would be placed under U.S. command in case of war.

Mitterrand has said Paris would not back unilateral military action by Washington but would participate in an attack against Iraq if it were approved by the U.N. Security Council.

French media reported Thursday that the estimated 330 French citizens being held against their will in Iraq and Kuwait will return to Paris Saturday. The reports said the 67 hostages that had been placed around strategic locations as a shield against military attack had already been transferred to Baghdad.

It was still not certain, however, whether the hostages would return home on a special Airbus jet sent by the French government or aboard an Iraqi Airlines flight.

The International Herald Tribune quoted its source as saying the likelihood of war in the Gulf had removed Mitterrand's doubts about allowing the 5,500 French soldiers stationed in Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates from

operating under the command of the U.S. army.

If so, the decision would represent a major break from the Gaullist tradition of never allowing French troops to operate under the command of another government. It is also certain to fuel anger from the extreme right, which has sharply criticized French involvement in the crisis.

''France's tradition of independence has been safeguarded because the president made the decision to commit French forces,'' the newspaper quoted a Mitterrand aide as saying.

''It would be criminally foolish to endanger military success and people's lives by pursuing a pretense that a 5,000-man French contingent can function independently of the 200,000-strong U.S. force,'' the aide reportedly said.

The newspaper said that during a visit to Paris last weekend, U.S. Secretary of Defense Richard Cheney invited French officers aboard its AWACS surveillance planes in the Gulf.

The report said the step was taken to keep French commanders abreast of important military information, but it did not indicate whether France had accepted the offer.

France has purchased several of the surveillance planes, known as AWACS for Airborne Warning and Control System, but the first model was delivered only last week and will not be operational for many months, according to the Herald Tribune.

The report in Le Canard Enchaine said Mitterrand had concluded that President Bush, his popularity dropping and embroiled in a budget battle with Congress, is doing everything he can to unleash a war before congressional elections Nov. 6.

The French leader also believes all the military conditions are at their optimum for a war, with the desert heat down to tolerable levels and the U.S. army contingent fully in place and ready for war.

The newspaper said Mitterrand told visitors that the reason Bush is seeking to unleash a war could come if the Iraqis refuse to resupply the American, British, and French embassies in Kuwait City with necessary food and water.

Mitterrand reportedly said Bush would first go to the United Nations Security Council over the issue, but may decide to go to war if Iraq does not cede.

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TOKYO (OCT. 25) UPI - Foreign investors may soon be allowed to invest in

Nippon Telegraph and Telegraph Corp., Japan's telecommunications giant and the country's most widely held issue, NTT President Masashi Kojima said Thursday.

''Hopefully, if all things will go well, a bill to abolish regulations (governing the NTT business) will be submitted to the Diet (parliament) for approval in November,'' Kojima said.

He said the ruling Liberal Democratic Party and the ministries of finance and posts and telecommunications, are engaged in serious discussions on measures to allow foreign investors to acquire the NTT stock.

Under existing law, foreign investors are barred from purchasing NTT shares. Statutes also mandate the government's retaining at least one third of the company's outstanding shares.

''Personally, I favor the abolishment of these regulations,'' Kojima said. ''NTT is the only telecommunications company whose stock is not traded overseas. This is undesirable.''

He said the company has been raising funds on overseas money markets, mainly in Europe, and it plans to issue about $2.4 billion worth of convertible debentures annually in the future. Such bonds can be converted into NTT shares under certain conditions.

NTT, a former state-run monopoly, was privatized in April 1985 under the government's policy of liberalizing the domestic telecommunications market.

Kojima said the existing law tends to create concern among NTT shareholders because it empowers the government to override management decisions made by the company.

The government, however, is struggling to find ways to sell NTT shares without disrupting the market. The Ministry of Finance has to date released a total of 3.45 million NTT shares to public subscription on three occasions during 1987 and 1988.

Kojima added the company will continue efforts to expand procurement from foreign suppliers.

He said the company's overseas procurement is expected to reach about $400 million this year, up from about $240 million in 1989.

The company's purchases from foreign suppliers in 1989 accounted for 8.3 percent of its total procurement, up from 6.7 percent in 1988.

Kojima said NTT will also promote joint development of equipment based on a sharing of technology with foreign manufacturers.

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TOKYO (OCT. 25) UPI - The Asian Bankers Association will hold its general meeting and seminar in Tokyo Nov. 5-6 under the main theme of ''The Direction of Regional Cooperation in Asia-Pacific Toward the Year 2000,'' the Long-Term Credit Bank reported Thursday.

The session will be the association's first general meeting in Japan.

Representatives from 107 member banks and financial institutions in the Asian-pacific region will attend the session and discuss measures for cooperation, the bank said.

The association was established in 1981 to promote closer relations among the region's financial institutions as well as cooperative projects supporting economic development in the region.

Among guest speakers at the seminars will be Bank of Japan Governor Yasushi Mieno and Prof. Robert A. Scalapino, former head of the Institute of East Asian Studies at the University of California at Berkeley.

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TOKYO (OCT. 25) UPI - Bank of Japan Governor Yasushi Mieno said Thursday he is confident Japan's economy will continue to expand without experiencing a slowdown.

Mieno said the brisk Japanese economy, now in its 47th month of continous expansion, will remain healthy and its foundation appears strong.

''As a whole, corporations remain prudent in setting prices for their products '' he said, adding the favorable impact of higher interest rates in cooling off the booming economy is beginning to emerge.

The central bank raised the official discount rate 0.75 percentage points to 6.0 percent in August.

Mieno said higher interest rates have averted a further rise in land prices and brought about a more cautious lending attitude by financial institutions.

''I believe there still is room for the effect of the rate hike to bring a favorable impact,'' he said.

Referring to the recent volatile foreign exchange markets, Mieno said, ''I expect market movements to regain stability by ensuring currency values in accordance with each country's fundamental economic strength.''

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(OCT. 25) UPI - Congressional and administration negotiators say they are within striking distance of agreeing on a deficit reduction package. And the White House says President Bush will likely sign another stopgap spending measure to keep the government funded through Saturday. Budget director Richard Darman indicated late last night that negotiators had reached a tentative agreement on key parts of a five-year, 500-BILLION- dollar deficit reduction plan.

Analysts say a rise in petroleum prices due to the Persian Gulf crisis is hitting Philippine President Aquino harder than other political troubles. In Manila today, the National Security Council agreed to consider maintaining current petroleum prices until the end of the year. Aquino called opposition leaders to the meeting in an attempt to resolve worsening economic troubles.

Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu is watching his popularity plummet due to a lack of support for his plan to send troops to the Persian Gulf. Two newspaper polls published today in Tokyo say a majority of Japanese do NOT back Kaifu's proposal to sent NON-combat soldiers to the gulf. The Japanese military has NOT been dispatched to a war zone since the second world war.

A San Bernardino, California, couple will be arraigned today on child abuse charges for allegedly keeping a 12-year-old locked in closets for much of her life. Joseph and Sandra Saucedo are being held on 50- thousand-dollars bail. Police say they found the child in a cockroach- infested closet that reeked of urine. The girl was apparently singled out from six other siblings for abuse.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - President Bush takes off today on a five-day West Coast tour, stumping for G-O-P candidates in Arizona, California, Oklahoma and Hawaii. The travel plans were made as Bush spokesman Marlin Fitzwater rejected a report that Bush was shunned on a New England campaign swing earlier this week. Fitzwater says Bush- as he put it- ''had a great reception.''

Environmentalists are urging President Bush to sign clean air legislation now awaiting final passage in Congress. The National Clean Air Coalition released a study that disputes industry predictions that the bill would deal a blow to an already troubled U-S economy. The umbrella organization of environmental groups says the bill would cost the average American household an additional eight-dollars and 40 cents each month by 1995.

Three nations were rocked today by an earthquake measuring six-point- five on the Richter scale. There were NO immediate reports of casualties or damage

from the quake that centered on the Pakistan-Afghanistan border... rattling windows as far away as New Delhi, India. Officials say the quake caused many people to rush out of their homes in a panic in northern Pakistan and India.

Japan's biggest condom maker is defending its product against American complaints. The city of Philadelphia distributed the Okamoto Industries condoms to low income residents, many of whom complained they were uncomfortable and defective. But an Okamoto manager defended the condoms, pointing out that they were distributed to low income people and- quoting now- ''they probably didN'T know how to properly use the condoms.''

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SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (OCT. 25) UPI - Youths angered by the arrest of a student leader battled police, burned an American flag along with an effigy of President Roh Tae-woo and firebombed a police station Thursday in Seoul and provincial cities. One police officer was reportedly wounded in the clashes.

About 800 students staged a rally at Korea University in Seoul demanding the release of Song Kap-sup, president of the hard-line dissident National Council of University Student Representatives, who was arrested Wednesday at a hideout in Seoul. Song, 24, had been sought by police since May 9 when he led violent anti-government demonstrations.

Leading members of Song's organization declared at a news conference they will launch a two-week campaign to force the government to free Song. During the campaign, members will stage firebomb attacks on police stations and other public offices including those used by the government party, they said.

During the protest in Seoul, students burned Roh in effigy along with an American flag in front of the gate of the university, and then marched off campus and threw firebombs and rocks at riot police who blocked their way.

Police fired tear gas in retaliation.

Some of the demonstrators charged the United States with forcing Korea to open its domestic agricultural markets to imports and accused the ruling Democratic Liberal Party of seeking to prolong its rule.

In Kwangju, 170 miles south of Seoul, about 1,700 students of Chonnam University, Song's school, and Chosun University staged separate rallies demanding Song's release and battled police in street riots, the domestic Yonhap News Agency said.

About 150 miles southeast of Seoul in Taegu, a group of students hurled a dozen firebombs and burned a police partol car, Yonhap said. A police officer suffered burns in the face and head in the attack and was hospitalized, it

said.

There were similar protests during the day involving about 1,000 students in several other provincial cities, including one in Suwon, 25 miles south of Seoul, where 10 students firebombed a police substation and police fired two warning shots and arrested six of the protesters.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - Stock prices rebounded sharply Thursday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, recouping the previous day's losses in a resumption of a rally that started almost two weeks ago.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which shed 421.42 points Wednesday, jumped 475.75 points to 25,352.63.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all listed shares, which fell 18.08 points Wednesday, climbed 39.15 points to 1, 880.63.

An estimated 750 million shares changed hands, up from 526 million shares changing hands Wednesday.

Advances hammered declines 822 to 151, while 117 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks posted mild gains in active but narrow trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which fell 39.15 points Wednesday, added 8.80 points to 3,050.88. The key index ended the holiday-shortened week with a gain of 58.93 points.

Banks, exchnages and most businesses will be closed Friday for the start of the Chung Yeung Festival holiday. Trading will resume Monday.

In Singapore, stocks closed mixed in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange as some bouts of profit taking overcame optimism over the spurts on Wall Street and Tokyo.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which added 1.05 points Wednesday, slipped 1.41 points to 1,209.54 following eight successive gains, the best spurt this year.

The broader-based All Singapore Index, which added 0.59 points Wednesday, fell 0.74 points to 334.24.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 60.6 million shares, compared with 53.9 million shares changing hands Wednesday.

In Bangkok, stocks ended lower in moderate trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which gained 26.02 points Wednesday fell 10.66 points to 698.69.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 3.5 billion Thai shares, compared with 4 billion shares changing hands Wednesday.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled a seasonally adjusted 421,000 for the week ending Oct. 13, an increase of 26,000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - Sen. John Danforth, R-Mo., says new rules requiring automakers to strengthen cars to provide better protection against side-impact crashes will save more than 500 lives a year.

''This is probably the most significant day for motor vehicle safety since 1984, when the Department of Transportation issued the rule requiring airbags or automatic safety belts,'' Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner said Wednesday in announcing the new regulation, which begins to take affect with the 1994 model year.

The regulation, which will be phased in over a four-year period, sets new standards for side door strength.

Manufacturers can choose to meet the standard by padding the doors, by improving the car structure or using a combination of the two methods.

''This is a regulation that is going to save about 500 lives a year, and it is going to prevent about 2,600 injuries, some of them very serious injuries, each year,'' said Danforth, the ranking Republican on the Commerce, Science and Transportation Subcommittee.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has established criteria that will be used to measure the effectiveness of side protection.

The added protection will cost about $50 dollars per vehicle, officials said. That estimate includes added fuel costs that will result from added weight.

''Fifty dollars is a small price to pay to prevent the immense loss of life

and suffering as a result of these side impacts,'' Skinner said.

Both Skinner and NHTSA Administrator Jerry Curry said the regulation was developed in cooperation with car makers and the insurance industry.

''The decision to improve side-impact protection follows years of research and testing by NHTSA, other governments and auto manufacturers worldwide,'' Curry said.

He also said some cars already available meet the new standards but would not name them.

Automobile manufacturers have found that consumers are considering safety when choosing a vehicle. For example, Chrysler advertises that its smaller cars have airbags while some of its competitors do not.

Under the regulation, car makers have until Sept. 1, 1996, to fully meet the improved crash protection requirements. Starting Sept. 1, 1993, 10 percent of each manufacturer's production must meet the new standard.

The requirement increases to 25 percent in 1994, 40 percent in 1995 and 100 percent in 1996.

Carmakers also can choose to delay implementation of the improved crash protection if 100 percent of their production meets it by Sept. 1, 1994.

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BERLIN (OCT. 25) UPI - U.S. companies are delaying investment in former East Germany because of unclear property rights, a senior representative of Germany's American Chamber of Commerce said Thursday.

Although American investors show great interest in eastern Germany, they hesitate to invest there because the question of private property has not been resolved yet, said Knut Fischer, vice president of the American Chamber of Commerce in Germany.

When the hard-line East German Communist leadership was ousted last fall, private property rights were reintroduced and thousands of former proprietors - including many Jews who fled the Nazis in the 1930s - filed claims to get their land back.

Many investors fear if they purchase a factory or land, the former owners may appear and rightfully claim what used to belong to their families.

U.S. conglomerates such as fast food and service station chains and consumer goods producers will lead U.S. investment in eastern Germany, Fischer said.

But it will take three to four years for them to get established, he added.

The American Chamber of Commerce in Germany is a private organization founded in 1903. Its goal is to promote free competition and improve trade between the United States and Germany.

Following the Oct. 3 unification of both German states, the Chamber announced plans to open offices in the five new eastern federal German states.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - President Bush signed a temporary spending bill early Thursday, signalling his satisfaction with progress made during the night by House Democrats and administration negotiators toward finalizing a deficit reduction plan.

The stopgap measure, the fourth emergency spending measure since the Oct. 1 start of the new fiscal year, provides funding for the federal government through midnight Saturday, suspends the sequester required by the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings law through Saturday and extends the temporary debt limit increase for the same period. The stopgap measure Bush signed last Friday expired at midnight Wednesday.

The White House had said Bush would sign the stopgap measure provided a temporary budget agreement was reached.

Richard Darman, Bush's budget chief, indicated shortly before midnight Wednesday that tentative agreement had been reached on key parts of the long-delayed five-year, $500 billion deficit reduction plan, with only certain details remaining as a barrier to a final accord.

''I'd say we're a whole lot closer than we have been since we concluded the summit agreement,'' Darman said, referring to the agreement negotiated by congressional and administration leaders that was killed in the House.

Darman said ''it's definitely possible'' for the deal to be finalized Thursday but cautioned that ''there's still quite a decent laundry list'' of details to be finalized.

The crucial step toward breaking the bargaining logjam came Wednesday afternoon when House Democrats embraced a new plan that dropped a surtax on millionaires that Bush disliked and opted for limiting tax deductions and exemptions for the rich.

Significant progress was reported following a late-night bargaining session bringing together congressional leaders from both parties, Darman and Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady.

''It's the process of trying to clean up a lot of the final details, which could be tough,'' said Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Calif., chairman of the House Budget Committee. ''But the parameters are there and I think we can work to a conclusion.''

The ranking GOP member of the Senate Budget Committee, Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., added, ''I don't think there are any (unresolved issues) that are show-stoppers, but they have to be worked on.''

Darman said agreements still had to be reached on levels of cuts in Medicare and Medicaid, some unspecified tax provisions and one minor agriculture provision.

''If the say were organized well, I think we all felt we could conceivably get the decisions made in time and the drafting done so that you could get a vote late (Thursday) night on the House floor,'' Darman said.

The compromise deficit reduction plan won the support of a majority of House Democrats who met Wednesday, said House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash.

Asked if the White House would accept the latest compromise, Foley said: ''I believe it will. I believe we can reach an agreement on this.''

''We prefer, as a method of doing that, a surcharge (on millionaires),'' Foley said. ''But we are now focused around a mechanism which will achieve the same impact in terms of the fair share of taxes being paid by high income individuals. And it will result in a very strong improvement in the progressivity of this package compared to the (budget) summit, compared to the Senate bill and we are strongly supporting that provision.''

Congress has been working for weeks to reach an agreement on a package of spending cuts and tax increases representing the major portion of a $500 billion reduction in the federal budget deficit over the next five years, with about $40 billion in savings in fiscal year 1991.

All but "essential" government services were halted Oct. 6-8 when Bush vetoed an earlier stopgap spending measure and Congress narrowly sustained the veto.

The latest plan would raise the current 9-cent-a-gallon gasoline tax by a nickel a gallon. It would raise Medicare premiums by 25 percent and raise the deductible from the current $75 to $100 - a smaller increase than in the defeated bipartisan budget summit plan or in the Senate bill.

The deal would raise income tax rates on the wealthiest Americans from the current 28 percent to 31 percent while at the same time lowering the tax rate on middle to upper income Americans from the current 33 percent to 31 percent.

That would flatten out the so-called bubble in the tax code in which the richest Americans benefitted from a lower tax rate than those less well off.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	72	41	....
Anchorage sy	39	24	....
Asheville cy	53	34	.08
Atlanta w	59	36	....
Baltimore cy	57	46	....
Billings sy	76	47	....
Birmingham sy	60	34	.03
Bismarck sy	67	32	....
Boston sy	56	42	....
Brownsville sy	80	56	....
Buffalo cy	47	34	....
Burlington Vt. pc	48	33	.01
Charleston S.C. pc	73	44	....
Charlotte cy	59	39	....
Chicago pc	47	28	....
Cincinnati pc	49	31	.01
Cleveland cy	48	34	.42
Columbus Ohio pc	48	33	....
Dallas sy	72	47	....
Denver sy	73	39	....
Des Moines sy	54	37	....
Detroit pc	46	32	....
Duluth f	45	30	....
El Paso sy	82	44	....
Evansville sy	53	32	.03
Fargo sy	55	35	....
Hartford sy	57	40	....
Honolulu sy	87	73	....
Houston sy	74	45	....
Indianapolis pc	49	28	....
Jackson Miss. sy	64	34	....
Jacksonville sy	76	46	....
Kansas City sy	58	40	.04
Las Vegas sy	86	53	....
Little Rock sy	67	37	....
Los Angeles sy	93	62	....
Louisville pc	50	34	....
Memphis pc	58	36	....
Miami Beach pc	87	65	.03

Milwaukee pc	45	32	....
Minneapolis sy	52	33	....
Nashville pc	54	33	.09
New Orleans sy	68	44	....
New York cy	60	43	....
Oklahoma City sy	69	44	....
Omaha sy	61	39	....
Orlando pc	80	55	....
Philadelphia pc	60	45	....
Phoenix sy	95	63	....
Pittsburgh cy	48	35	....
Portland Me. cy	54	36	.22
Portland Ore. cy	64	46	....
Providence sy	58	43	....
Richmond cy	58	46	....
St. Louis sy	57	35	....
Salt Lake City sy	73	43	....
San Antonio sy	78	49	....
San Diego f	80	59	....
San Francisco sy	75	53	....
San Juan sh	89	73	.12
Seattle r	58	49	....
Spokane pc	63	42	....
Tampa pc	78	56	....
Washington cy	58	47	....
Wichita f	66	43	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these

odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 24: Purchases of 357,421 shares and sales of 443,931 shares including 23,258 shares sold short.

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ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (OCT. 25) UPI - A strong earthquake rocked wide areas of Pakistan, Afghanistan and India Thursday, injuring at least 70 people and causing damage to buildings, Radio Pakistan reported.

The quake measured 6.6 on the Richter scale and the epicenter was about 250 miles north of the western Pakistan city of Peshawar on the Pakistan-Afghanistan border, the Seismology Institute in Peshawar said.

The quake struck at 9:57 a.m. Pakistan time and lasted about 15 seconds.

Radio Pakistan said at least 70 people were treated in hospitals in the Northwest Frontier Province for injuries suffered as a result of the quake. It said damage was also caused to houses in the province.

The temblor was felt as far east as New Delhi. People ran out of their homes in panic in towns and cities across northern Pakistan and northwestern India.

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#90298u0574 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 25) UPI - There is progress to report in efforts to reach a deficit-cutting agreement on Capitol Hill. Bush administration and congressional negotiators met late into the night, saying they're close to finalizing an accord.

Pakistan's Benazir Bhutto says her opponents rigged parliamentary elections in which her party was defeated by a wide margin. The ousted prime minister today accused her opponents of manipulating yesterday's election results.

A violent strike called to demand wage increases is fizzling in the Philippines. Police say strike supporters burned four buses outside Manila, and firebombed another bus and a beer truck. One driver was injured.

The F-B-I says a child molester is the latest addition to its 10 most wanted list. The agency says Kenneth Stanton allegedly molested 11 girls in Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi last summer while pretending to be a police officer.

A Paris newspaper says French President Mitterrand expects war to break out soon in the Persian Gulf. The International Herald Tribune quotes unnamed sources as saying Mitterrand believes a military conflict is inevitable.

NASA says the shuttle Atlantis is ready for launch on a military mission next month. The space agency says Atlantis passed a critical fueling test yesterday at Cape Canaveral without any sign of dangerous hydrogen leaks.

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#90298u0581 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 25) UPI - South African Airways says it is ''completely surprised'' by Kenya's refusal to allow flights between Nairobi and Johannesburg. Kenya says it will NOT allow the flights until South Africa gets rid of its racist political system.

A San Diego lawyer says he will now go after the assets of a white supremacist found responsible in the 1988 murder of a black man in Oregon. A jury assessed 12-and-one-half-Million dollars in damages against Tom Metzger.

Ohio Republican Donald Lukens opted for giving up his House seat rather than face new sex charges and the possibility of losing his pension. The lawmaker resigned yesterday amid allegations that he fondled a Capitol elevator operator.

The House has passed and sent to the White House a bill that would require universities and colleges to disclose campus crime statistics to prospective students. The measure involves all federally funded universities.

William Bennett travels to Alaska today in a campaign to outlaw marijuana in the state. The federal drug enforcer hopes to sway voters in advance of a referendum next month on whether to re-criminalize pot in Alaska.

Researchers have positive news for women listening to their biological clocks ticking. California doctors studying a new test-tube baby method found that women past 40 could bear children using eggs donated by younger women.

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#90298u0632 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

UNIVERSITY PARK, PA (OCT. 25) UPI - The early years of the Central Intelligence Agency are chronicled in the first official history of the CIA, a once classified document written at the dawning of the Cold War and soon to be sold in book form.

The work by Arthur B. Darling, ''The Central Intelligence Agency: An Instrument of Government, to 1950,'' will be published by Penn State Press in December. It is the first document released through the CIA's Historical Review Program.

Officials at the university press say publication of the CIA history symbolizes a new openness and willingness by the agency to make public

information about its past.

The book also is considered an important historical document because it is based on internal memoranda and records never before available to anyone outside of government, said Sanford Thatcher, director of Penn State Press.

In a prepublication review, Publishers Weekly recommended the book become ''a basic document in studies of U.S. government organization and power struggles of the late 1940s.''

Darling was the CIA's first historian from 1952-54. He wrote the history in 1953 but the manuscript was classified until November 1989, when it was released to the public and recommended for publication.

Established by the Truman administration and Congress in the years immediately following World War II, the CIA was intended to be the United States' first permanent, peacetime intelligence agency. Its intent was to focus the process of intelligence-gathering in a way that would assist presidential decision-making.

Darling's history has an advantage over other histories of the early CIA because it was written when the threat of a large-scale Soviet invasion of Western Europe loomed large, Thatcher said. It recreates the atmosphere of the times, at the dawning of the Cold War, and the attitudes of those who created the agency.

Only about 200 lines in the 700-page manuscript were deleted during the declassification process, Thatcher said. The deletions dealt mainly with the CIA's covert operations and its relationships with foreign intelligence agencies.

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#90298u0636 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 25) UPI - A senior African National Congress official, making the movement's strongest public attack on Israel, has accused the country of conducting a campaign of terror in its occupied territories and of beginning to emulate Adolf Hitler.

Steve Tshwete, a member of the ANC's policy-making National Executive Committee, told a pro-Palestinian solidarity meeting Wednesday night that, ''Successive Israeli governments have planned and carried out an outrageous campaign of terror with impunity.''

''What is disgusting about it all is that this carnage is carried out by people who not long ago had to be rescued by the democracies of the world from the clutches of a monster that they are now, wittingly or unwittingly, beginning to emulate,'' Tshwete said, speaking to applause from the mainly

Moslem audience of some 600.

The meeting was called in part to condemn the killing of 20 Palestinians on Jerusalem's Temple Mount by Israeli police on Oct. 8.

Tshwete said Israelis ''have massacred and continued to slaughter hundreds of Palestinian women and children without any regard to international appeals that the problem can be negotiated peacefully.''

Referring directly to the Temple Mount incident and riots in its aftermath, Tshwete said, ''One cannot but conclude that the government of Israel is totally lost to the cause of peace, justice and democracy.''

ANC leader Nelson Mandela offended Jews in South Africa and elsewhere when he met and embraced Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat in February and later described Libya as a friend of the ANC.

Mandela and other ANC officials have voiced support for the Palestinian cause, comparing it to the blacks' struggle against apartheid in South Africa, and have criticized Israeli security force action in putting down unrest in the West Bank and Gaza strip.

But Mandela has also told South African Jews he and the ANC recognize Israel's right to exist and do not condone any form of anti-Semitism.

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#90298u0638 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 25) UPI - Leftist workers burned buses Thursday in a bid to continue a general strike for higher wages that appeared to have fizzled, and communist rebels urged Filipinos to continue efforts to oust President Corazon Aquino.

''To decisively fulfill this historic mission, armed struggle must be embraced as a legitimate weapon of the people against the violent ruling regime,'' said a rebel statement signed by rebel priest Frank Fernandez.

Also Thursday, Aquino convened for the second time in her four-year administration the National Security Council to discuss the impact of the Persian Gulf crisis on the ailing Philippine economy.

Analysts regard the crisis potentially more damaging than the natural disasters and coup attempts hounding her government.

Riot police attempted to break up a two-day vigil at the Senate by 1, 500 workers demanding a more than 50 percent wage hike to cope with higher petroleum costs caused by the crisis, but Senate President Jovito Salonga intervened and allowed them to stay until Friday morning.

Police said heavily armed men believed to be communist New Peoples Army guerrillas burned four passenger buses in Manila and nearby towns, injuring one driver. The 19,000-member insurgency has been battling the Manila government for 21 years.

The suspected guerrillas firebombed another bus and a beer truck, but police arrived and prevented the vehicles from burning. A grenade was lobbed at a transport office, but it did not go off.

Strikes that began Wednesday were maintained in some factories Thursday and authorities ordered the suspension of school classes for a third day on Friday.

The military said 72 people were arrested during the two-day strike for carrying Molotov cocktails and barricading main streets in the capital. Police filed sedition charges Thursday against one of those arrested, transport union leader Medardo Roda.

Officials said NPA guerrillas torched 17 vehicles Wednesday at the start of the indefinite strike.

A guerrilla and two workers were killed Wednesday but the strike that affected more than 200 of the nation's 350,000 companies failed to cripple the nation as organizers had vowed.

Strikers of the left-wing May 1st Movement were seeking a $1.48 increase in the daily minimum wage of $3.46 to help them cope with an increase in petroleum prices caused by the Persian Gulf crisis and soaring oil rates.

Aquino has allowed a 66-cent raise, but said companies cannot afford the higher rate.

The meeting on the gulf crisis, called several weeks ago, brought Aquino together for the first time with opposition leader Juan Ponce Enrile and Vice President Salvador Laurel since she accused them of plotting to overthrow her several years ago.

A palace statement released later said the Council agreed to consider maintaining current petroleum prices until the end of the year, reduce a $2 billion budget deficit and trim the $26 billion foreign debt.

The meeting was regarded by analysts as little more than a public relations effort by Aquino to remove the image of a divided nation with a leadership unable to handle the gulf crisis.

But both Enrile and Laurel responded positively, saying Aquino paid attention to their recommendations for solving the nation's problems.

''The mere fact that we were invited is an indication that the door is open (to national reconciliation),'' Enrile said.

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BEIJING (OCT. 25) UPI - China said Thursday a feud between Beijing and Tokyo over a group of islands in the East China Sea could harm Sino-Japanese relations, and demanded Japan stop activities claimed to violate Chinese sovereignty in the disputed region.

''We have all along advocated that both China and Japan should ... deal with this question with prudence so as to prevent it from affecting relations,'' Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Li Jinhua said at a news briefing.

''If the Japanese side fails to do so it will undoubtedly bring unfavorable impact on bilateral relations,'' Li warned.

Li would not indicate whether China is prepared to use force to assert its sovereignty over the eight tiny uninhabited islands located in the East China Sea between northern Taiwan and the Japanese-ruled Ryukyu Islands.

Known as the Diaoyutai islands in Chinese and the Senkaku islands in Japanese, the group is claimed by China, Taiwan and Japan and has been the subject of recurring territorial disputes since the end of World War II.

''The incident of the Diaoyutai islands was provoked by the Japanese side and Japan should be responsible,'' Li said, repeating earlier demands that Japan immediately stop ''violating Chinese sovereignty.''

''We have stated our position and will take necessary measures in view of the development of the situation,'' the spokeswoman said. She refused to elaborate.

China has not made any official protest to the Japanese government over the islands despite repeated statements in the state-run media, according to a spokesman for the Japanese Embassy in Beijing.

The recent dispute over the islands was triggered by attempts by a Japanese right-wing group to obtain official recognition of a Japanese- built lighthouse on one of the islands.

Taiwan then jumped into the fray by dispatching a group of politicians to the Diaoyutais Sunday in a staged event to reinforce Taiwan's territorial claim.

Japanese coast patrol boats and helicopters blocked the delegation and forced them to turn back following a five-hour standoff in waters west of one of the islands.

Claims over the islands are fueled by a U.N. report in the early 1970s that the group lay in the middle of a potentially rich oil zone.

Beijing renewed claims to the islands in 1971, but agreed with Japan in 1972 to shelve the issue when the two nations normalized relations. Senior leader Deng Xiaoping later was quoted as saying the dispute should be left to the next generation to settle.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) UPI - Xerox Corp. Thursday reported third-quarter earnings of $132 million, or $1.16 a share, down from $155 million, or $1.41 a share, in the year-ago period.

Revenues for the quarter were $4.5 billion, up from with $4.4 billion in the year-ago quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, Xerox reported earnings of $8 million, which resulted in a per-share loss after payment of preferred dividends, compared with earnings of $492 million, or $4.55 a share, in the comparable period of 1989.

The 1990 nine-month period reflected the impact of the sale of the company's real estate operations in the first quarter.

For the same 1990 nine-month period, but on a continuing operation basis, Xerox reported earnings of $383 million, or $3.38 a share.

Revenues for the nine-month period were $13.3 billion this year, up from $13 billion in the first nine months of 1989.

Xerox said its core document processing business recorded strong growth but this was ''more than offset by continued weak performance in the company's insurance and other financial services businesses, principally due to substantially lower capital gains in insurance.''

''Overall financial results continue to be constrained by weakness in the property and casualty insurance industry and generally adverse financial market forces,'' said Paul Allaire, Xerox's president and chief executive officer.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - President Bush's outgoing labor secretary is hearing words of praise from the chairman of the Senate Labor Committee. Massachusetts Democrat Edward Kennedy says Elizabeth Dole deserves credit for a job for- in Kennedy's

words- ''serving as a pro-labor secretary in an anti-labor administration.''

Wide areas of Pakistan, Afghanistan and India shook today as an earthquake measuring six-point-five on the Richter scale rattled the region. There was NO immediate word of casualties or major damage in the quake that lasted about 15 seconds and caused people in many towns to run from their homes in a panic.

A study commissioned by three oil firms found that thousands of tons of cancer-causing chemicals are spewing into the air at the nation's largest oil terminal. Researchers found that about 43-thousand tons of hydrocarbons are released at the terminal in Valdez, Alaska, during tanker loadings each year.

U-S Attorney General Thornburgh says a 10-week, 32-state hunt to track down drug fugitives resulted in 37-hundred-43 arrests. Thornburgh says 11 people facing murder charges are among those taken into custody. Thornburgh announced the results of the project dubbed Operation Southern Star yesterday in Miami.

Biologists doN'T know if an endangered humpback whale found his group- or pod-waiting when he returned to open water yesterday. Humphrey headed out to sea after getting stranded in shallow waters off San Francisco. The whale gained notoriety in 1985 when he spent nearly a month in San Francisco Bay.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - The sales pace for existing homes dropped in September to the lowest level since January 1988 as the economy weakened in the aftermath of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, an industry survey said Thursday.

Declines were reported in all parts of the nation except the Northeast, which posted no change. The median price for an existing home also slipped to $94,300 in September, 2.9 percent below August.

The South was especially hard hit as thousands of military personnel were shipped off to defend Saudi Arabia following the Aug. 2 attack that heightened tensions in the Middle East and sent the price of oil skyrocketing.

According to data collected by the National Association of Realtors, sales slid to a seasonally adjusted annual sales rate of 3.22 million existing single-family homes last month.

In January 1988, the rate was 3.2 million units.

The realtors said September's rate was 8 percent below the revised August rate of 3.5 million units, and 8.3 percent below the rate of sales during September 1989.

Norman Flynn, president of the 800,000-member association, blamed the slowdown on the Persian Gulf crisis as well as uncertainty over the stalmate over slashing the federal budget deficit.

''Consumers don't know what to expect. When people don't know what's coming, they tend to delay big-ticket expenditures,'' Flynn said. ''Many of them put their home buying plans on hold.''

The Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. reported the average rate for a 30-year fixed-rate mortgages hovered between 10.19 percent and 10.22 percent in September, generally higher than in the first half of the year.

''A key contributor to the national resale pace decline was a significant sales drop in the South, reflecting depressed activity in markets with a large military population,'' the association said.

''The deployment of vast numbers of U.S. military troops from southern bases to the Persian Gulf has directly decreased demand and upset the local economy in those areas,'' the group said.

In the South, the resale rate fell to a rate of 1.26 million homes in September, down 10 percent from August. The median home was $85,900, down 1.2 percent from August.

In the Midwest, resales dropped to a rate of 920,000 dwellings in September, off 7.1 percent from August. The median price was $74,000, down 1.7 percent from August.

In the Northeast, resales held at a rate of 520,000 homes last month, unchanged from August. The median home price in September was $137,100, down 5.6 percent from August.

The West also posted a resale rate of 520,000 dwellings in September, down 8.8 percent from August. The median price was $134,700, 3.9 percent lower than in August.

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TIRANA, ALBANIA (OCT. 25) UPI - The foreign ministers of the troubled Balkans ended the first diplomatic conference held in communist Albania Thursday by pledging to expand cooperation and meet the political and economic requirements for ''a better future'' for Europe.

Endorsement of the measures by Albania's Marxist regime appeared to reaffirm its intention to continue cautious, limited political and economic reforms and its gradual emergence from 45 years of self-imposed isolation.

''The ministers emphasized their countries' commitment to democracy and common European values,'' said a final conference declaration, ''thus making their contribution with a sense of responsibility to a better future in Europe.''

The declaration by Greece, Albania, Romania, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Turkey was aimed at addressing concerns that the Balkans, now regarded as the most dangerous source of tensions in Europe, is not excluded from the political and economic benefits of European integration.

''The ministers stressed that the Balkans cooperation is an integral part of positive European processes. A stable Balkans ... is a factor of peace and security for the entire Mediterranean region and Europe,'' the declaration said.

''I think there is a lot of optimism and a lot of enthusiasm,'' said Bulgarian Foreign Minister Adrian Nastase.

The ''Balkans powderkeg'' has historically been a center of European instability due to numerous disputes that have frequently been fanned by major powers for their own ends.

As the rest of the continent is moving toward greater stability following the political upheavals of last year, many experts are concerned at resurging tensions in the Balkans, pointing to rising nationalism, severe economic problems, instability in Yugoslavia and Romania and the preservation of rigid Marxism in Albania.

The ministers sought to reinforce their pledge for greater cooperation in a message to next month's Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe in Paris, declaring they are committed to ''making a concrete contribution to the ... establishment of a new order and cooperation in the continent.''

Among other measures, the ministers agreed at their two-day conference to meet every year and consider at the 1991 session in Sofia a proposal for a summit of the region's heads of government, the final declaration said.

They decided to study a plan for creating a permanent mechanism for coordinating cooperative programs to be known as the ''Balkans Forum'' and a proposal for a ''Balkans Development Bank.''

Areas in which cooperative programs will be launched include trade, transportation, tourism, energy, environmental protection and health care, the declaration said.

The Tirana meeting, only the second convened by the foreign ministers of Albania, Greece, Turkey, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Romania, ended successfully following all-night negotiations to fine-tune the declaration to avoid references to outstanding disputes that have divided the region for hundreds

of years.

Participants said the major problem involved the question of the rights of national minorities, the most serious source of discord in a region comprising 130 million people of some two dozen ethnic groups and three major religions.

In the final draft of the declaration, the ministers agreed to respect the 1975 Helsinki human rights accord, which upholds the rights of national minorities, including the use of their languages and preservation of cultural and religious practices.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - The government's Employment Cost Index increased 1.4 percent in the 1990 third quarter and advanced 5.2 percent for the 12-month period ending in September, the Labor Department said Thursday.

The index measures changes in wages, salaries and employee benefits. It is not seasonally adjusted.

Benefit cost increases in private industry for the 12 months ending in September ''exceeded wage and salary gains in large part because of the rising cost of health insurance,'' the department said.

''The 1.4 percent increase in compensation costs in the June- September 1990 period was below the 1.6 percent gain in the same period a year ago,'' the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said.

''This pattern held for private workers (1 percent, down from 1.2 percent a year ago) and state and loval government workers (2.7 percent, down from 3.3 percent),'' the bureau said.

The government also noted changes in compensation costs for state and local government employees are ''heavily concentrated'' in the period from June to September and ''spread throughout the year'' for other workers.

In another report, the Labor Department reported major collective bargaining agreements reached in private industry in the first nine months of the year ''provided larger wage rate adjustments than those specified in the contracts they replaced.''

The wage rate adjustments averaged 3.9 percent in the first year of the contracts and 3.3 percent annually over the life of the agreements, the department said.

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#90298u0713 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN (OCT. 25) UPI - U.S.Customs investigators searched the apartment home of Minnesota Vikings place kicker Donald Igwebuike Wednesday and removed bags presumed to contain possible evidence in an alleged heroin trafficking case.

Authorities refused to identify what they found or what they were looking for.

''We would not be investing time and energy in this siatuation unless we were confident that there would be a productive result,'' an unnamed source told the Star Tribune. ''More news is forthcoming - trust me. We have better things to do than chase after ... a football player without any reason.''

The source said authorities were upset that ABC-TV broke the story Tuesday before the case had gone to a grand jury. ''We needed this like a hole in the head,'' the source said.

The Nigerian-born athlete Tuesday was linked to two men accused of conspiring to smuggle herion from Nigeria to Florida. One of the defendants Wednesday pleaded innocent to the charges in U.S. District Court in Tampa, Fla.

Igwebuike has not been charged in the case. A federal law enforcement source has said ''something is going to happen soon ...'' but declined to elaborate. A Tampa television station also reported Wednesday that U.S. attorney sources say authorities are trying to persuade the two defendants to cooperate in the investigation of Igwebuike.

ABC-TV cited unidentified sources Tuesday in reporting that Igwebuike bought a plane ticket to Nigeria for one of the defendants and participated in phone conversations showing he knew of the drug deal. Igwebuike has not commented directly on the accusations but his attorney says there is nothing to tie the athlete to any illegal activities.

Igwebuike practiced with the Vikings Wednesday following the 30- minute search of his home.

A local narcotics investigator who took part in the search said Igwebuike met customs agents in the lobby of the apartment building and led them to his apartment, where he then called his attorney.

''Donald was very polite, there were no problems,'' the officer said.

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#90298u0716 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (OCT. 25) UPI - The Cambodian resistance criticized Vietnam and the government in Phnom Penh Thursday for trying to delay settlement of the 11-year-old Cambodian conflict.

''The Vietnamese and the Phnom Penh regime are not in a hurry to make peace,'' said a statement issued by the resistance group of Prince Norodom Sihanouk in Bangkok.

''They wait and expect that the Western countires and particularly the United States and Japan, will come to normalize ties with Vietnam or to recognize the Phnom Penh regime,'' the statement said.

''The enemy's strategy is to wait and win.''

Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas said in Jakarta Thursday he will leave for Paris on Sunday to pursue the resumption of internationally supervised peace talks for Cambodia.

At a news conference, he also urged the conflicting factions in Cambodia to overcome their differences and agree on the leadership of the Supreme National Council that would become Cambodia's interim government.

The four Cambodian factions - the Vietnamese-backed Phnom Penh government and the three members of the coalition resistance - have accepted a U.N.-brokered peace plan.

Meanwhile, Son Sann, leader of the U.S.-backed Khmer People's National Liberation Front (KPNLF), urged the 12 members of the Supreme National Council (SNC) to reconvene in Bangkok, a KPNLF statement said.

The SNC is supposed to represent Cambodian national sovereignty until U.N.-supervised elections can be held, but the two sides have bogged down in disagreements over the leadership of the council.

''He (Son Sann) reminded the other SNC members that the international community was intensely looking at all Cambodian parties to see whether they could work together to resolve this chairmanship issue,'' the statement said.

Thai Foreign Minister Subin Pinkayan said Thailand will facilitate an SNC meeting on condition that the four Cambodian factions reached a compromise on their differences beforehand.

''We want them to sign an agreement in Bangkok. There will be no meeting for negotiation,'' Subin said.

He said he will discuss the Cambodian issue with his Vietnamese counterpart, Nguyen Co Thach, later this month when Thach is scheduled to pay an official visit to Thailand.

Subin also said he will visit China Nov. 3-5 for discussions of the Cambodian problem.

''We will talk about Cambodia issue because we are close to the situation,'' Subin said.

Vietnam installed the current Cambodian government after its invasion of Cambodia in late 1978 and ousted the brutal Khmer Rouge. The Khmer Rouge have joined the other two non-communist resistance groups in a U.N.-recognized coalition that is fighting Vietnamese-backed government troops.

The factions agreed last month in Jakarta to set up the SNC to govern Cambodia during an interim period leading up to U.N.-supervised elections, but they have failed to agree on who would chair the council.

Alatas said he would meet in Paris with his French counterpart, Foreign Minister Roland Dumas, to discuss plans for resuming the Paris International Conference on Cambodia.

The 19-nation conference, chaired jointly by Alatas and Dumas, was expected to resume in December.

Alatas said he was hoping for an agreement to convene the coordinating committee of the Paris conference in preparation of reconvening the conference at the ministerial level.

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#90298u0730 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - The Senate has passed a bill that would put steroids in the same category as cocaine and other illegal drugs.

The legislation, introduced by Sen. Joe Biden, D-Del., was passed Wednesday by unanimous consent.

However,its future is in doubt because it is part of an anti-crime bill that President Bush will likely oppose and it differs from a similar bill in the House.

The measure would give the Drug Enforcement Administration the authority to investigate steroid trafficking and drastically increase maximum prison terms for trafficking.

It would also force companies that make the muscle-enhancing drug for legitimate purposes to keep careful records so diversion to the black market would be more difficult.

Steroids have been used for many years by athletes to add muscle quickly. The drug is particularly popular among football players. There have been numerous reports of steroid use among high school players, as well as college and pro

athletes.

Steroid use can have serious side effects, including serious damage to various organs.

Rep. Bill Hughes, D-N.J., has written a similar measure, but his bill puts steroids in a lesser enforcement category and allows for punishment of coaches and trainers who promote steroid use.

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#90298u0732 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, LEBANON (OCT. 25) UPI - A ranking government official engaged in technical efforts to unify Beirut said Thursday ''progress'' was reported in high-level attempts to end the plight of 12 foreign hostages held in secret hideouts in Lebanon.

Minister of Agriculture Mohsen Daloul, who along with Defense Minister Albert Mansour is charged with working to end militia rule in the Beirut area, said ''the hostage plight has been discussed between Syria and Iran.

''We were not a primary party concerning this issue, but I was told that there has been great progress toward resolving it,'' Daloul said.

Daloul, a Shiite Moslem politician close to Syria, said a ''certain scenario'' was being worked out among the concerned powers, notably Syria and Iran, to free the captives.

''The release has been delayed because of some reasons, but the hostages would be freed very soon,'' Daloul said during an interview with United Press International at his office in Beirut.

Some or all of the 12 foreign hostages - six U.S. citizens, three Britons, two Germans and one Italian - are believed kept in southern Beirut. Recent reports suggested the Iranian-backed Hezbollah militia, believed holding the captives, has recently transferred them to secret hideouts in eastern Lebanon.

Hezbollah, which patrols southern Beirut, has expressed a readiness, along with other militia groups, to accept a government plan for eliminating militia presence in and around a unified Beirut.

The effort to demilitarize the area was boosted after a Syrian- Lebanese force launched an offensive Oct. 13 routing defiant Gen. Michel Aoun and his followers from the presidential palace. The fighting left an estimated 600 people dead and forced Aoun to take refuge at the French Embassy.

Hezbollah, the pro-Syrian Shiite Amal militia and the Druze Progressive Socialist Party have relinquished a number of positions to Syrian and Lebanese

troops along a line stretching from southern Beirut to the hills of the Druze-controlled Shouf mountains southeast of Beirut.

Syrian Vice President Abdel Halim Khaddam, during a surprise visit to Lebanon earlier this week, reiterated that his country would try to resolve the Western captives' plight, which he branded as ''an abnormal condition.''

The Cabinet Wednesday assigned Daloul and the defense minister to begin urgent contacts with Moslem and Christian militia groups to rid Beirut of outlawed armed presence.

The government has sought to implement a national reconciliation accord worked out last October in Taif, Saudi Arabia. The agreement stipulated the restoration of law and order and disbanding of militias.

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#90298u0735 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (OCT. 25) UPI - Vietnam's Supreme Court has begun hearing an appeal against lenient sentences for 24 Communist Party officials convicted of swindling the state bank of about $7 million in one of Vietnam's largest ever financial scandals, the official Vietnam News agency reported.

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The report did not say what sentences had been imposed by the lower courts.

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Total losses came to about $7 million during six months of the group's activities in 1989.

The report said 22 people were put on trial, but that the case involved nearly 80 people in eight provinces.

''Personnel of the banking sector and public security agents are also implicated,'' it said.

The agency said the case was one of the largest fraud cases ever brought against party officials in Vietnam.

The case was publicized as part of an anti-corruption drive in Vietnam that

was meant to stem losses of state property and increase revenues sorely needed to make up a budget deficit estimated at 7 percent of gross domestic product.

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#90298u0737 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 25) UPI - The Pittsburgh Press reported Thursday Pittsburgh Penguins All-Star center Mario Lemieux is being treated for a rare bone infection that often leads to debilitating pain and cripples many of its victims.

The Press, in a copyrighted story, said Lemieux is suffering from a form of vertebral osteomyelitis. The newspaper said the disease damages the bony portion of the spine.

Doctor Charles Burke is overseeing Lemieux's rehabilitation. He called the disease a ''very serious condition.'' Burke said it could threaten Lemieux's hockey career, but he believes the two-time scoring champion should make a complete recovery.

Yesterday, Burke told reporters that Lemieux is on schedule to return by the beginning of 1991.

Lemieux underwent back surgery on July 11 to remove pain in his legs and buttocks. Burke says the infection in his back, revealed on Sept. 27, is not related to the surgery.

Lemieux missed 21 games last season because of the back pain, but he still finished fourth in scoring with 45 goals and 78 assists.

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DETROIT (OCT. 25) UPI - Chrysler Corp. and Mitsubishi Motors Corp. said Thursday they will jointly produce and develop a new series of models at Diamond-Star Motors Corp., their 50-50 joint venture in Normal, Ill.

The two carmakers said a memorandum of understanding calls for a new line of two-door coupes, three-door sporty cars, and a four-door sedan to be built by Diamond Star, which was incorporated in 1985 but did not start selling cars until January 1989.

The plant now builds the Mitsubishi Eclipse and Mirage, Plymouth Laser, and Eagle Talon and Summit cars.

Chrysler and Mitsubishi said they ''have given special consideration'' to increasing the U.S. content of Diamond-Star's new vehicles through the use of Chrysler-built engines and transmissions in some models.

Production levels and introduction dates of the new cars were not disclosed, although analysts said they will most likely go on sale by 1992 or 1993.

Diamond-Star is now building 680 cars daily, which is only 68 percent of its 1,000 car-a-day capacity, a company spokeswoman said. Currently, Chrysler and its Jeep Eagle division get 55 percent of production, with Mitsubishi getting 45 percent.

Stewart said the new models will be distributed in equal numbers for sale by Chrysler and Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America, headquartered in Cypress, Calif.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - President Bush signed a temporary spending bill early today, a sign that progress was made during the night on finalizing a deficit reduction plan. The White House had said Bush would sign the measure that provides three days of government funding providing a temporary budget agreement was reached. Bush's budget director says it is ''definitely possible'' that a budget plan will be completed today.

Radio Pakistan says at least 70 people were injured and buildings were damaged as a strong earthquake shook wide parts of Pakistan, Afghanistan and India today. The quake... measuring six-point-five on the Richter scale... was centered about 550 miles northwest of New Delhi, India. The tremor resulted in panic in some areas, causing people to rush from their homes in many towns.

The French government is denying a Paris newspaper report that President Mitterrand expects fighting to break out in the Persian Gulf. A government spokeswoman says Mitterrand has NOT expressed the reported view ''under any circumstances, public or private.'' The spokeswoman also describes as ''absurd'' a report that French troops would be put under U-S command in case of war.

Cairo Radio says the Kuwaiti Embassy in Damascus reports that 42- hundred Kuwaitis were killed during Iraq's August 2nd invasion. The report also says that Iraqi forces took 12-thousand Kuwaiti soldiers and civilians into custody.

William Bennett is hoping to convince Alaskans to ''just say no'' to marijuana when the state holds a referendum on the issue next month. President Bush's drug chief will fly to Anchorage later today in a campaign to get possession of the drug re-criminalized. Alaskan adults are legally allowed to possess small quantities of pot under a law passed 15 years ago.

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#90298u0756 10/25/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 25) UPI - Fighting words today from Pakistan's ousted prime minister. Benazir Bhutto is accusing her political opponents of rigging nationwide parliamentary elections yesterday in which her party lost. Bhutto says she'll meet with advisers soon to decide whether to launch a movement against the alleged vote fraud. Pakistan's president dismissed Bhutto in August, accusing her government of corruption and nepotism.

The Philippine National Security Council agreed today to consider maintaining current petroleum prices until the end of the year. The decision came during a meeting at the presidential palace in Manila- only the second for the council since 1986. The move comes one day after leftist rebels staged a violent strike to press demands for pay raises. Three people died during the strike.

Violence broke out at a New York Daily News plant today in Brooklyn. Police say about 200 workers walked off the job in a dispute over a fired worker. The angry employees then attacked a bus bringing NON-union workers to the plant and set fire to delivery trucks. A union source says the dispute involves a worker with a leg injury who was told he had to stand while working.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - Yields were mixed on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Thursday at the government's delayed weekly auction.

The offering, originally scheduled for Monday, was postponed because Congress had failed to act on the debt ceiling.

The Treasury Department auctioned $8.632 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 7.20 percent, up from 7.18 percent last week and the highest since Sept. 24 when the auction yielded 7.32 percent.

The Treasury also sold $8.631 billion of 26-week bills at an average of 7.16 percent, down from 7.22 percent last week and the lowest since Aug. 1 when the yield stood at 7.15 percent.

The investment rate was 7.44 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,818.00 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26- week bill was 7.53 percent at $9,638.00.

In addition, the Treasury Department also announced it will auction $10 billion in 52-week bills Friday. That auction had also been delayed by congressional failure to act on the debt ceiling.

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KOKOMO, Ind. (OCT. 25) UPI - General Motors Corp. said its Delco Electronics division will add 550 jobs as part of an expansion in Kokomo.

Delco will spend about $41 million for the expansion, which should be completed during 1992.

Most of the new jobs will involving engineering.

Delco has about 10,300 employees.

Delco Chairman Donald J. Almquist said Wednesday the expansion is aimed at attracting more international customers.

''Our engineering requirements continue to increase as we pursue new production and additional business in the international market,'' he said.

The state of Indiana will invest $1.8 million in the project, Gov. Evan Bayh said. Part of the money will be spent on a grant to the city of Kokomo for a new road leading to the plant. Additional funds will be used as a loan to the city.

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#90298u0779 10/25/1990 ~United Press International
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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-87.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 136.625-137.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 41.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $210.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $424.00-$459.00; dealer- approx., $428.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $111.83 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 296.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported

duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Advo-System Inc (4th Q 9-29)	
$167,111,000	$167,615,000
$5,493,000 (.32)	$4,648,000 (.27)
Avnet Inc (1st Q 9-28)	
$438,800,000	$438,000,000
$17,700,000 (.49)	$16,300,000 (.45)
B C Telephone (3rd Q)	
$479,800,000	$421,600,000
a-$51,300,000 (.47)	$47,900,000 (.43)
a-Income from continuing operations.	
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Bell Indus (1st Q 9-30)	
$103,976,000	$101,291,000
$2,337,000 (.40)	$2,163,000 (.37)
Belo A H Corp (3rd Q 9-30)	
$108,582,000	$101,549,000
$5,552,000 (.29)	a-$3,064,000 (.15)
a-After adjustment of about $2,000,000 (.10)	
for potential liabilities related to proposed IRS audit adjustments.	
Bindley Western Indus (3rd Q)	
$521,914,000	$376,370,000
$1,342,000 (.20)	$1,192,000 (.19)
Boston Edison Co (3rd Q)	
$353,863,000	$383,895,000
$56,914,000 (1.35)	$58,961,000 a-(1.42)
a-Includes gain of (.14) from an eminent	
domain taking of certain company proprty.	

Castle A M & Co (3rd Q)
$114,757,000 $117,596,000
$329,000 (.05) $1,264,000 (.17)

Coastal Corp (3rd Q)
$2,160,600,000 $1,878,500,000
a-$33,000,000 (.31) $8,200,000 (.09)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Coast Savings Fncl (3rd Q)
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d-$35,577,000 d-$92,215,000
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Contel Corp (3rd Q)
$884,000,000 $780,000,000
$31,000,000 (.19) $68,000,000 (.43)

Cyprus Minerals (3rd Q 9-30)
$493,100,000 $463,500,000
$42,200,000 (.95) $68,200,000 (1.68)

Engelhard Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$874,600,000 $586,400,000
$16,000,000 (.36) a-$39,000,000 (.87)
a-Includes one-time gain of $21,500,000 (.48)
from sale of shares in the company's Japanese affiliate.

Ferro Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$281,380,000 $266,729,000
$8,011,000 (.37) $11,881,000 (.53)

Greater New York Svgs (3rd Q)
....
$1,172,000 (.06) $3,791,000 (.25)

Intl Flavors & Frgncs (3rd Q 9-30)
$248,137,000 $216,897,000
$40,319,000 (1.05) $34,171,000 (.90)

Investors Group (3rd Q)
$92,770,000 $89,528,000
$11,381,000 (.47) $12,933,000 (.53)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Leggett & Platt (3rd Q)
$285,004,000 $251,310,000
$10,462,000 (.59) $12,118,000 (.69)

Louisiana Land & Explr (3rd Q)
$214,200,000 $162,700,000
$8,200,000 (.29) $7,800,000 (.27)

MNC Financial (3rd Q)
....
d-$173,387,000 $68,837,000 (.80)
d-Deficit.

Northern States Pwr (3rd Q 9-30)
a-$554,900,000 $483,000,000
$84,800,000 (1.28) $73,300,000 (1.10)
a-Includes $24,134,000 in revenues that are
subject to refund with interest, pending resolution of a rate case.

Ogden Corp (3rd Q)
$389,063,000 $427,108,000
$15,835,000 (.37) a-$28,549,000 (.66)
a-Includes a pre-tax gain of stock by
consolidated subsifiary of $25,580,000.

Ogden Projects (3rd Q)
$92,715,000 $100,447,000
$11,215,000 (.30) $6,569,000 (.18)

Penn Power & Light (3rd Q 9-30)
$578,936,000 $548,584,000
$82,858,000 (.95) $79,405,000 (.89)

Premark Intl (3rd Q 9-29)
$669,000,000 $599,700,000
a-$4,200,000 (.14) $13,500,000 (.38)
a-After a pre-tax charge of $11,900,000 from
settlement of lawsuits associated with food equipment patents.

PSI Resources (3rd Q 9-30)
$257,000,000 $275,000,000
$33,000,000 (.61) $30,000,000 (.54)

Raychem Corp (1st Q 9-30)
$292,333,000 $242,265,000
$3,325,000 (.09) $4,849,000 (.14)

Rochester Gas & Elec (3rd Q)
$187,508,000 $183,209,000
$15,593,000 (.45) $18,420,000 (.54)

Sara Lee (1st Q 9-29)
$3,067,400,000 $2,748,000,000
$106,300,000 (.42) $93,800,000 (.38)

Summit Health Ltd (1st Q 9-30)
$92,800,000 $93,300,000
$1,600,000 (.05) $1,100,000 (.03)

Talley Indus (3rd Q)
$74,853,000 $88,760,000
a-$825,000 (.03) $2,442,000 (.20)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Tandem Computers (4th Q 93-30)
$506,069,000 $456,162,000
$31,834,000 (.30) $39,404,000 (.38)

Teck Corp (3rd Q)
$118,937,000 $105,730,000
$22,489,000 (.27) $24,150,000 (.30)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Tenneco Inc (3rd Q)
$3,392,000,000 $3,210,000,000
$91,000,000 (.70) $90,000,000 (.68)

Terex Corp (3rd Q)
$239,735,000 $260,773,000
$5,202,000 (.53) $5,707,000 (.58)

Thorn Apple Valley (1st Q)
$243,589,000 $190,359,000
$3,887,000 (1.30) d-$887,000
d-Deficit.

Timken (3rd Q)
$421,541,000 $358,322,000
$8,544,000 (.29) $7,293,000 (.24)

Whirlpool Corp (3rd Q)
$1,663,000,000 $1,502,000,000
a-$60,000,000 (.86) $47,000,000 (.68)
a-Includes an after-tax gain of $23,000,000 (.33) from the sale of assets to a joint venture with Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd., to manufacture vacuum cleaners at the former Whirlpool facility in Danville, Ky.

WPL Holdings (3rd Q 9-30)
$144,375,000 $138,512,000
$17,919,000 (.67) a-$6,916,000 (.26)
a-After a charge of $4,300,000 (.16)
associated with a penalty assessed by regulators over a coal contract.

Xerox Corp (3rd Q)
$4,500,000,000 $4,400,000,000
$132,000,000 (1.16) $155,000,000 (1.41)

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KATMANDU, NEPAL (OCT. 25) UPI - King Birendra bowed to political pressure and agreed Thursday to abide by Nepal's new democratic constitution, which formally limits his absolute power, starting next month.

''For the information of the general public the constitution will be promulgated on Nov. 9,'' the Royal Palace said in a statement.

The breakthrough in the dispute between the palace and the elected government came Wednesday in a long meeting between Prime Minister Krishna Prasad Bhattarai, Ganesh Man Singh, leader of the Nepali Congress party, and the party's general secretary, Girija Prasad Koirala.

''The confusion has ended. Now politics will take a positive direction,'' said Koirala.

He said a draft of Nepal's new constitution proposed by the palace that would still give king absolute powers was rejected and certain amendments would be made in a government draft that limits the powers of the king.

''There will be some changes in the government draft. They will only be minor '' Koirala said.

The new constitution, which was to have taken effect in September, formally limits the absolute powers of King Birendra. It was accepted in principle by the king following a popular movement in February year that toppled the 29-year-old partyless ''panchayat'' system.

With the announcement of a firm date for the promulgation of a constitution political tension is expected to wane and attention to be fixed on Nepal'sfirst multi-party general elections in 32 years. The elections are expected to be held by next April.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Oct. 25:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	51	11
Amsterdam cy	1pm	57	14
Ankara pc	3pm	47	08
Athens cy	2pm	58	14
Auckland cy	12m	60	15
Beijing c	8pm	55	13
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	50	10
Bonn pc	1pm	60	16
Brussels r	1pm	54	12
Cairo c	2pm	76	24
Casablanca pc	12n	71	22
Copenhagen c	1pm	53	12
Dakar c	12n	87	31
Dublin r	1pm	55	13
Geneva r	1pm	53	12
Helsinki r	2pm	38	04
Hong Kong c	8pm	74	23
Jerusalem pc	2pm	67	19
Karachi c	5pm	89	32
Lisbon cy	1pm	63	17
London pc	1pm	59	15
Madrid cy	1pm	54	12
Malta pc	1pm	76	25
Manila	8pm	-	-
Moscow cy	3pm	39	04
Nairobi pc	3pm	81	27
Nassau c	7am	78	25
New Delhi c	6pm	78	26
Nice r	1pm	56	13
Oslo c	1pm	34	01
Paris cy	1pm	57	14
Pretoria cy	2pm	81	27
Riyadh	3pm	94	34
Rome cy	1pm	68	20
Seoul pc	9pm	56	13
Sofia c	2pm	51	11
Stockholm cy	1pm	36	02
Sydney r	10pm	60	16
Taipei c	8pm	65	18
Tokyo cy	9pm	64	18
Tunis pc	1pm	80	27
Vienna c	1pm	48	09

Warsaw c	1pm	39	04

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	68	20
Caracas cy	8am	73	23
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	61	16
Mexico City hz	6am	56	13
Rio de Janeiro r	9am	68	20
Santiago cy	8am	52	11

Canada

Calgary c		68	20
Edmonton pc		69	20
Montreal cy		47	08
Ottawa cy		53	11
Regina c		55	12
Toronto pc		55	13
Vancouver pc		56	13
Winnipeg c		46	07

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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DETROIT (OCT. 25) UPI - The United Auto Workers has slated a meeting of its Chrysler National Bargaining Council for Nov. 1, a strong indication the union hopes to reach agreement with Chrysler Corp. on a new labor contract without setting a strike deadline.

The 100-member council must approve any tentative contract before it is ratified or rejected by Chrysler's 60,000 U.S. hourly workers.

Meanwhile, negotiations between the Canadian Auto Workers union and Chrysler Canada Ltd. continued Thursday in an effort to reach a settlement before the union's midnight strike deadline.

Chrysler spokesman Othmar Stein said the two sides met through the night to resolve local issues and that work was continuing. A main session was set for

Thursday morning and an announcement on the talks was expected to follow.

In the United States, Chrysler has openly said that it cannot afford a contract patterned after the three-year pacts signed last week by the UAW and industry leader General Motors Corp. A similar pact is to be inked with second-ranked Ford Motor Co. Friday after agreement was reached Oct. 7.

But one Chrysler official who declined to be named told the Detroit Free Press that ''significant differences'' tailored to the carmaker's own needs could still be part of a pattern pact.

Still to be resolved are job and income security issues. The GM/UAW pact has a $4-billion income security package, while the one in the Ford agreement is pegged at $1.6 billion over the next three years.

UAW leaders say a similar guarantee could cost Chrysler about $1 billion.

Chrysler is also concerned about the substantial increase in pension costs under the GM and Ford agreements, since it has the oldest average work force of the Big Three carmakers, and nearly one retiree for each active worker.

Chrysler is expected next week to post its second quarterly loss since 1982 for the third quarter of 1990. Analysts expect it will report losses ranging between $1 and $1.20 a share, with net income as much as $270 million in the red.

Part of Chrysler's latest losses are because of a $600-million program to redesign its profitable minivan models for 1991, which cost it about 60,000 units of lost production.

Chrysler's losses are aggravated by earlier then anticipated rebates on 1991 models, a $2,500 price cut in its profitable Jeep Cherokee models, and the initiation of an early retirement program as part of its massive cost-cutting efforts, analysts say.

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(OCT. 25) UPI -

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
AMF Inc	Q	.34	12-3	11-5
Amer Bus Prods	Q	.22	12-14	11-30
Anheuser-Busch Cos	Q	.25	12-10	11-9
Badger Paper Mills	Q	.12	12-10	11-16
CRSS Inc	Q	.03	11-21	11-9
Cohu Inc	Q	.08	1-25	12-7

Crawford & Co cl-A	Q	.09 1/2	11-15	11-8
Crawford & Co cl-B	Q	.08	11-15	11-8
Eaton Corp	Q	.55	11-23	11-5
Energen Corp	Q	.23 1/2	12-3	11-15
Giddings & Lewis	Q	.04	11-30	11-14
Inland Steel Indus	Q	.35	12-1	11-9
Interface Inc cl-A	Q	.06	11-23	11-9
Joslyn Corp	Q	.40	1-2	12-14
MineSafety Applncs	Q	.22	12-10	11-16
Minnesota Pwr&Lt	Q	.46 1/2	12-1	11-15
Morgan Stanley Grp	Q	.37 1/2	11-20	11-2
North Side Svgs Bk	Q	.10	12-7	11-23
Panhandle Eastern	Q	.20	12-15	11-16
Parker Hannifin	Q	.23	12-7	11-21
Russell Corp	Q	.08	11-20	11-5
SPX Corp	Q	.25	12-10	11-23
Scana Corp	Q	.63	1-1	12-10
Shaw Industries	Q	.12 1/2	11-19	11-5
Simpson Industries	Q	.14	12-20	11-29
Team Inc	Q	.03 1/2	11-30	11-15
Union Carbide Corp	Q	.25	12-1	11-15

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 25) UPI - The already-struggling Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad has new troubles - forcing another round of layoffs and wage cuts.

P&LE President Gordon Neuenschwander said Wednesday he is breaking a deal with rail unions and will cut wages by 20 percent and eliminate 50 of 270 jobs. Neuenschwander says his hand was forced by a drop in shipments, higher fuel prices and higher employee costs.

A spokesman for the Railway Labor Executives Association, a group of 14 unions with workers at the P&LE, called the wage- and job-cutting move ''disappointing.'' But despite sabre-rattling about a strike by some union members, Edward Wytkind said the union will continue to try to resolve the matter ''amicably.''

There have been numerous attempts to sell the Pittgsburgh-based short-line railroad. In June, Neuenschwander announced plans to restructure the P&LE by laying off about 200 of 500 workers, cutting salaries by 20 percent and instituting more flexible work rules.

The wage cuts were delayed by a standstill agreement until new labor agreements could be negotiated. It was the latter agreement that Neuenschwander said he was terminating.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 25) UPI - Argentine President Carlos Menem said Thursday that his foreign minister would go to Germany to negotiate credits to allow the cash-strapped Soviet Union to buy food from Buenos Aires.

Menem, who met with President Mikhail Gorbachev on the second day of his visit to Moscow, also said the two countries had completed a new $1.4 billion trade agreement with a significant balance in favor of Argentina.

''Argentina would have nothing against increasing supplies of food to the Soviet Union,'' Menem told reporters. ''Our foreign minister is going to Germany to negotiate an increase of credits for the purchase of food from Argentina. I mentioned that personally to President Gorbachev.''

Menem, on his first trip to the Soviet Union since taking office in July last year, said he and Gorbachev had discussed a wide range of issues in two hours of talks, including the Persian Gulf crisis, and developments in Eastern Europe and Latin America.

Menem congratulated Gorbachev for receiving the 1990 Nobel Peace. Noting Argentina has sent a contingent of troops to the Middle East, he praised the U.S. and Soviet responses to the gulf conflict, along with the U.N. role in coordinating international resistance to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

The Argentine president did not say when Foreign Minister Domingo Cavallo, who accompanied him to Moscow, would travel to Germany or how much credit he would seek to help the Soviet Union finance food purchases.

German Chancellor Helmet Kohl last month promised Gorbachev $1.9 billion as part of a larger package for Moscow's support of German reunification. It was not clear whether the credits sought by Argentina would be part of that aid.

The Soviet Union, mired in an economic crisis with increasing shortages of food and other basic goods, has sought increased assistance and trade from Western countries.

Argentina is the Soviet Union's largest trading partner in South America and a chief supplier of grain to Moscow, which imports more than two-thirds of all Argentine agricultural products sold abroad. Argentina buys a smaller ammount of Soviet machinery in return.

The $1.4 billion trade package announced by Menem represents a significant increase from the two countries' $765.2 million exchange level in 1989. Argentine exports made up more than 80 percent of the trade total.

Menem said the new trade deal retains a sharp tilt in favor of his country but expressed the hope a ''more equal balance'' can be reached in the future. He said the two countries ''can exchange food for technology and thus balance the trade exchange.''

Menem said he also hopes Gorbachev, who was to leave Friday for Spain and France, will visit Latin America next year.

Gorbachev and Menem signed a declaration on principles of cooperation and several other bilateral agreements.

Cavallo and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze sgined accords on cooperation in space research, fighting drug trafficking and the peaceful use of nuclear power.

In a meeting Wednesday, Soviet Parliament chairman Anatoly Lukyanov briefed Menem on the transformations sweeping the vast country.

Menem took office July 1, 1989, following his election triumph over former President Raul Alfonsin, whose defeat was partly caused by an economic crisis including hyperinflation that sparked a week of rioting and forced the government to declare a state of siege.

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PARIS (OCT. 25) UPI - Another fashion revolution may be brewing.

A few loose and long body-hiding clothes were seen among the body- clutching short and sexy fashions in the Paris spring-summer ready-to- wear shows.

During the eight days of parades for press and buyers that ended Wednesday, the mini line still reigned.

The underwear look prevailed. Dresses resembled underslips with tiny spaghetti shoulder straps and lace trim at Yves Saint Laurent, Lolita Lempicka, Guy Laroche and Angelo Tarlazzi. Strapless dresses looked like corsets, such as Saint Laurent's black lace number with a wide black lace hem. Other dresses could have passed as swimsuits worn over tights.

Bare midriffs were another trend, coupled with swirling miniskirts and brassiere tops covered with dignified tailored jackets, apparently meant for wear on city streets. Bare shoulders - usually just one - were common as well as backless dresses decorated with crossed straps.

But the tight, sexy silhouette loosened up for a kinder, gentler look on some runways in the Louvre Museum courtyard.

Emanuel Ungaro revived his body-disguising super-blousy dresses jutting down to snugness at the knees. His tent dresses repeated the fullness of years past. That same triangle A-line that hides hips, waist and sometimes the bust sneaked into the shows of Claude Montana and Saint Laurent.

The leg-showing fashion still remained in the majority with tons of shorts and bloomers and pleated, circular or straight miniskirts. Popular body tights also showed the leg. Cat-suits plastered bodies from neck to toe, some in wild prints at Jean-Louis Scherrer and Tarlazzi. Skirts practically disappeared at Karl Lagerfeld in favor of jackets or blouses plus tights.

But longer hemlines appeared for Comme des Garcons foggy gray chiffons and on pleated skirts at Tarlazzi. Below-knee skirts made it to the Karl Lagerfeld show and truly long pleated dresses appeared at Emanuel Kahn. The influential Saint Laurent confirmed the trend with miniskirts for cotton suits and some back-wrap long jersey skirts.

Long trousers were more numerous than in recent seasons, with Saint Laurent showing tailored and casual pants suits. Dior's satin jeans were among the parade of leg-hiding evening pants that included wide pajama outfits. Sheherazade harem pants reigned at Saint Laurent and Givenchy also used some.

As for coats, the trenchcoat won the day, in both long and short versions and in satin for evening. Other coats were short, straight or swinging, many with drawstring waists or hems and hoods. Coat dresses made the shows of Guy Laroche, Scherrer and Saint Laurent.

Suit jackets usually were short or long and tailored. Skirts appeared pleated or flat with ruffles and lace trim for evening.

Glitter dazzled from silver and gold lame and sequinned minidresses, shorts, tights, jackets and long gowns. Metal trimming was another trend along with fringe, gold buttons and asymetrical hems.

The shows exploded in bright colors as from a child's paint box, many of them cleverly combined - riotous red, green, purple, orange, blue and fuschia plus softer mint green, sky blue, mango-orange, daffodil yellow, khaki, olive, rust sand, hazy gray and lots of white.

Swimsuits were usually one piece and still cut high on the thigh except at Hermes. Sailor looks were popular.

As for fabrics, the most notable was the popular second-skin stretch for those plastered-on pants and dresses. Chiffon, cotton pique, lightweight wool, tough vinyl at Thierry Mugler and Ungaro, leather, lace, and brocade were used. Many fabrics were busy with African, floral, polka dot, harlequin and abstract prints and black and white checks.

Hats ranged from pillboxes of the 1960s to giant straws at Christian Lacroix and Mahatma Ghandi hats at Saint Laurent.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
American Savings Bank (3rd Q)	
....	....
ad-$6,441,000	d-$10,308,000

ad-Deficit, after loss of $1,800,000 on disposition of a non-performing construction loan.
d-Deficit.

Anchor Savings Bank (1st Q 9-30)	
....	....
a-$2,660,000	d-$12,365,000

a-Preferred dividend requirements exceeded net income.
d-Deficit.

Bay State Gas Co (4th Q 9-30)	
$44,888,000	$37,451,000
d-$5,031,000	d-$2,969,000

d-Deficit.

BIC Corp (3rd Q)	
$87,725,000	$84,531,000
$5,725,000 (.47)	$5,599,000 (.46)
Calgon Carbon (3rd Q)	
$67,030,000	$60,120,000
$9,050,000 (.45)	$8,110,000 (.40)
D & N Financial (3rd Q)	
....	....
d-$2,034,000	$1,067,000 (.30)

d-Deficit.

DMR Group (1st Q 8-31)	
$46,310,000	$38,329,000
$2,378,000 (.19)	$1,053,000 (.08)

Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Donnelley R R & Sons (3rd Q)
$898,282,000 $794,518,000
$62,768,000 (.81) a-$62,726,000 (.81)
a-Includes a net gain of $3,400,000 (.04) from sale of land.

Energen Corp (4th Q 9-30)
$45,886,000 $47,340,000
ad-$1,784,000 d-$2,646,000
ad-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

F N B Corp (3rd Q)
....
$2,400,000 (.40) $2,300,000 (.39)

First Fedl Capital (3rd Q)
....
d-$7,219,000 $349,000 (.18)
d-Deficit.

Framingham Savings Bank (3rd Q)
....
d-$3,538,000 d-$8,386,000
d-Deficit.

Frozen Food Express (3rd Q)
$41,880,000 $31,388,000
$1,360,000 (.31) $1,222,000 (.28)

Genl Trustco of Canada (3rd Q)
....
$2,386,000 (.03) $8,112,000 (.20)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Golden Poultry (1st Q 9-29)
$55,659,000 $48,819,000
$1,235,000 (.12) $1,585,000 (.15)

HBO & Co Inc (3rd Q)
$45,979,000 $53,003,000
$1,499,000 (.11) $5,331,000 (.34)

Heritage Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
d-$5,661,000 d-$8,901,000
d-Deficit.

Heritage Media (3rd Q)

$42,935,000 $40,106,000
ad-$10,795,000 d-$7,407,000
ad-Deficit, after a $2,800,000 writeoff of deferred finance costs and a $975,000 writedown of broadcast barter receivables.
d-Deficit.

Indiana Bancshares (3rd Q)
....
$44,000 (.07) $392,000 (.60)

Joslyn Corp (3rd Q)
$48,812,000 $51,168,000
$2,402,000 (.51) $2,380,000 (.50)

JWP Inc (3rd Q)
$744,649,000 a-$514,757,000
$16,005,000 (.42) $12,785,000 (.36)
a-Restated to include the results of Neeco Inc., acquired in July on a pooling-of- interests basis.

Midland Co (3rd Q)
$45,419,000 $39,201,000
$3,998,000 (1.24) $629,000 (.20)

Newfoundland Capital (3rd Q)
$49,378,000 $46,640,000
d-$1,731,000 $a-$1,833,000 (.37)
a-Includes a gain of $756,000 from the sale of assets.
d-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.

P T Intl Nickel Indonesia (3rd Q)
$49,906,000 $96,953,000
$19,612,000 (.08) $56,079,000 (.23)

QMS Inc (4th Q 9-28)
$74,624,000 $61,155,000
$3,887,000 (.36) $3,462,000 (.31)

Quantum Chemical (3rd Q)
$621,900,000 $557,700,000
d-$1,440,000 d-$21,400,000
d-Deficit.

Speigel Inc (3rd Q)
$425,952,000 $372,904,000
$10,135,000 (.20) $10,786,000 (.21)

Toromont Indus (3rd Q)

$50,500,000 $40,000,000
$1,139,000 (.38) $801,000 (.27)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

UAL Corp (3rd Q)
$2,973,417,000 $2,581,778,000
a-$106,114,000 (4.87) b-$110,862,000 (5.11)
a-Includes gain on disposition of property of $92,977,000.
b-Includes gain of $45,841,000 on disposition of property.

United Asset Mgmt (3rd Q)
$41,388,000 $33,122,000
$4,436,000 (.26) $3,996,000 (.24)

Warren Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
d-$7,253,000 d-$3,503,000
d-Deficit.

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BERLIN (OCT. 25) UPI - Bundesbank President Karl Otto Poehl's insistence on creation of a strong European central bank as a prelude to currency union sparked sharp opposition Thursday from his United Kingdom counterpart.

''It is hardly a secret that the U.K. has doubts about the approach of many countries to economic and monetary union,'' said Bank of England Governor Robin Leigh-Pemberton at a conference on European currency union.

Poehl, head of the powerful German central bank, reiterated his position that an independent European central bank - what some call a ''Eurofed,'' after the U.S. Federal Reserve - should be established to reconcile differences between European Community monetary and economic systems.

He told the conference that convergence of those systems is the foundation on which a strong European currency must be built.

But Leigh-Pemberton said a European bank with the kind of autonomy enjoyed by the Bundesbank wasn't necessarily adviseable. Such an institution ''cannot be impervious to the pressures of public opinion,'' he said.

It was questionable, too, whether all 12 EC nations would accept ''such a high degree of autonomy'' of a European central bank, he said, urging that it build its credibility by stabilizing prices over a long period of time.

The Bundesbank's reputation for inflation-fighting was built over many years of astute monetary management. ''It is this that gives the Bundesbank its

credibilitiy and legitimacy,'' Leigh-Pemberton said. ''A new institution would begin with no such inherent credibility or legitimacy.''

At the symposium, organized by the European Currency Unit Banking Association and Deutsche Bank, the No. 1 German commercial bank, Poehl urged the Community to sign a treaty constituting a European central bank. He said he would offer a constituting statute to his fellow central bank chiefs.

The next step towards monetary union, he said, would be creation of a stable currency. While the strong deutsche mark has played a leading role in European monetary developments, the European Currency Unit, or ECU, has never lived up to its original vocation as a true European currency.

He said when a single currency in Europe is created, the unit might be called the ECU, but will have nothing to do with the current ECU. Some currenies are pegged to the ECU, central banks balance accounts among themselves in ECU and bonds are issued in ECU values, but no ECU cash circulates.

Belgian Finance Minister Philippe Maystadt urged conference participants to support the ECU and make it a leading world currency on a level with the U.S. dollar and the Japanese yen.

Leigh-Pemberton advanced the British view that the ECU should be strengthened and gradually introduced as a common currency Community- wide. Only this month the British government agreed to bring its pound sterling into the European Monetary System's exchange rate mechanism.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - The federal government is open and running as usual this morning, at least until the latest emergency spending measure runs out at midnight Saturday. President Bush signed the necessary documents amid signs that Congress may yet come up with a deficit-reduction plan that everyone can live with. The latest plan raises alcohol and gasoline taxes, Medicare

premiums and tax rates on the wealthiest Americans.

Officials in Paris are denying reports that French President Francois Mitterand expects war to break out soon in the Persian Gulf. One report quotes an unnamed source as saying Mitterand said he thought war was inevitable. In Cairo, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak joined other Arab leaders in standing firm against Baghdad and proposing an Arab defense pact.

Israel today expressed regret over a second U-N Security Council condemnation in two weeks. A unanimous Security Council condemned the Israeli refusal to co-operate with a U-N team appointed to investigate the October 8th violence in the walled Old City in Jerusalem. Israeli authorities killed at least 20 Arabs in the rioting. An Israeli spokesman says the nation canNOT accept such a delegation because it would infringe on Israeli sovereignty. He said Israel is disappointed that the United States did NOT veto the resolution.

South Korean youths angered by the arrest of a student leader battled police today. They burned an American flag and an effigy of President Roh Tae-woo... and firebombed police stations in Seoul and provincial cities. Leaders of a hard-line student dissident organization said they would lead a two-week campaign to force the government to release Song Kap-sup, who was arrested yesterday in the capital.

At least two people have been arrested and a third suffered a heart attack as violence broke out earlier today at a printing plant for the New York Daily News. A dispute over a fired employee led 200 workers off their jobs in Brooklyn. Then things got ugly. A bus bringing in NON- union workers was attacked, and newspaper delivery trucks were set on fire.

Fire inspectors in Lincoln, Nebraska, report that arson may be the cause of a fire that broke out early today in a pile of between 50- thousand and 100-thousand tires in the city. Dense smoke drifted over residential areas of the north and west part of Lincoln. Officials say it may take two days or more to bring the fire under control.

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#90298u0932 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA (OCT. 25) UPI - Ethiopian officials said Thursday the government, with the help of the international donor community, has for now averted a famine in the nation's northern regions.

Relief and Rehabilitation Commission leader Yilma Kassaye said 75,000 tons of food aid has been delivered to Tigre and Southern Wollo provinces and another 15,000 tons has been airlifted from the Red Sea port of Assab to the war-torn Eritrea province.

Kassaye said international donor contributions of $14 million also made

possible a food airlift to the rebel-besieged Eritrean capital of Asmara, 400 miles northeast of Addis Ababa.

A 30-year war against Eritrean seccessionist rebels and a 15-year conflict with Tigrean insurgents, combined with repeated droughts, has threatened some 4 million people with food shortages this year.

Kassaye said the RRC nevertheless averted the potential famine, and said drought did not take a single life in Ethiopia this year.

A recently published RRC report said the Commission is supporting some 500,000 war-displaced people in northern Ethiopia.

But U.N. World Food Program sources in Addis Ababa said about 1.1 million people still need emergency food relief in the northern areas.

Moreover, an agreement reached between the Joint Relief Partnership of churches, the government and the Eritrean People's Liberation Front on food aid distribution expires in December.

Kassaye said he was confident and optimistic that Ethiopia had enough food stocks to counter a rebel attack on the 450-mile-long overland relief route from Assab in the southeast to Wollo and Tigre in the north.

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JANESVILLE, Wis. (OCT. 25) UPI - General Motors Corp. has told state officials it will lay off 3,200 workers from December to August because of previously announced plans to retool a production line at the Janesville plant.

The layoffs from Dec. 20 to late August will occur while the line is shut down to install new production equipment for a Suburban and truck line, GM told the State Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations on Wednesday.

GM said during the shutdown, workers will return for classroom training on new production methods to build Suburbans, GMC Jimmys, Chevrolet Blazers and a four-door Crew Cab.

Workers also will receive on-the-job training when the new line begins running.

The Wisconsin Development Finance Board earlier this year made a grant of $8.25 million to GM to retrain workers at the plant, which now produces Chevrolet Cavaliers.

During the shutdown, about 1,550 workers will will be involved in retooling efforts or will produce medium-sized trucks on the plant's other line.

Idled workers will make 95 percent of their take-home pay - a combination of unemployment benefits and GM's supplemental unemployment benefit fund.

The layoffs also affected Chicago & North Western Transportation Co., which said it will lay off through the same period 45 workers who ship GM vehicles by rail out of Janesville.

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BONN, GERMANY (OCT. 25) UPI - The German Parliament passed a supplementary budget for $13 billion Thursday amid disputes over how to cover the rising costs of German unity.

A majority of deputies approved the spending document, bringing the 1990 budget up to $260 billion and this year's new public debt to a record $44 billion.

Finance minister Theo Waigel said during the debate in the Bundestag, the German Parliament, that harsh savings measures will be part of the 1991 budget and financial planning unitl 1994 to save money.

Waigel, who has not yet introduced a budget proposal for 1991, said that in the coming years specific subsidies, deficits and state funds will be cut to help pay for the recovery of the former East German economy.

Social Democratic opposition leaders sharply attacked the government's financial policy, saying that it will run up a huge debt and push up interest rates.

''We have to end this march into an unscrupulous national debt,'' said financial expert Ingrid Matthaeus-Maier.

The Social Democratic Party, strongest contender for Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union in national elections Dec. 2, has proposed to raise taxes for high-income earners and to put the planned capital gains tax reduction on hold for now.

The government has steadfastly rejected that it will eventually have to raise taxes to pay for the costs of unity.

Kohl's challenger Oskar Lafontaine said Thursday the government should stop this ''dance around the truth'' and admit that it will increase some kind of tax after the election.

For the past months, Lafontaine has trailed Kohl in public opnion polls by more than 12 points.

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KHAFJI, SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 25) UPI - The number of refugees crossing the Kuwaiti border dropped off Thursday, the day Iraq ordered Kuwaitis to obtain Iraqi identity papers.

A senior Saudi official, who asked not to be identified, said that by midday just 16 cars had come through the border checkpoint, down from previous days.

The official estimated that 300 people per day had been coming through the border on the Persian Gulf in recent days and that about 120,000 had passed through the coastal town since the Aug. 2 invasion.

One refugee, however, said he thought many Kuwaitis would try to leave because of the demand that they switch their identity papers.

Kuwaitis have resisted taking Iraqi identity documents because it makes young men liable for military service and they do not want to lose their national identity through Iraqi papers.

Reporters taken to the border customs station, where cars were carefully searched in case Iraq sought to send infiltrators through in the guise of refugees, were forced to leave and stop filming by border patrol officers.

The governing prince, who was aware they were there because they had stopped to pick up an escort, declined to authorize their return to the border. This, he said, was because the Ministry of Information failed to tell the Ministry of Interior the reporters were coming.

He did not explain why they got an escort, after waiting 45 minutes, if there had been no warning they were coming.

The senior official said the Iraqis are taking the license plates off Kuwaiti cars, in addition to taking their Kuwaiti identity papers, and the refugee said only cars with Iraqi license plates can get gasoline.

While the refugee, who identified himself only as Fallah, an employee of the Kuwait communications ministry, said he left Kuwait because of the demand that he take Iraqi identity papers, there appeared to be no rush of people to leave.

''I think most of the people in Kuwait would like to stay there,'' said the official, explaining why he did not expect any major influx of additional refugees. ''The people who stay in Kuwait like to stay there.''

The official said no terrorists or explosives had been detected by border guards, who pull the seats and door panels out of cars and use drug and explosives-sniffing dogs to go over each vehicle.

Falah also said the Iraqis are arresting young men in Kuwait.

''They arrest them and beat them almost every day. They have many checkpoints all over the place. ... They take your identification and take you to the police station. I left because it was so bad and dangerous for me,'' said Falah, who appeared to be about 35 or 40 and drove a white Mercedes 190.

''They took the plates for my car,'' he said, adding that Iraqi border and checkpoint guards take gold and cash from refugees too.

''They are trying to change our identifications from Kuwaiti to Iraqi but we refuse,'' said Falah. ''That is a good reason to leave because I don't want to change my nationality.''

Falaha said the Iraqis kept switching signals on when Kuwaitis had to change identity papers.

''They said by the end of this month and then they said by the end of this week you have to change your plates and your passport,'' he said.

The prices of food and fuel, he said, ''have gone shooting up and you can't find things like before. ... Sometimes you find food but if you check the expired dates some of it's expired.

Falah said that gasoline was available to those with Iraqi plates and rationing coupons.

He said telephone calls outside can be made from Iraq but not from Kuwait.

Once across the border into Saudi Arabia, the Kuwaitis put cardboard license plates filled in with marking pen on their cars for the trip south down the coast road.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 25) UPI - Scientists are worried that endangered sea turtles will be killed by an anti-drug campaign.

Thousands of helium-filled balloons will be released this week by elementary school students as part of the national anti-drug campaign but they could drift into the Gulf of Mexico and be eaten by endangered sea turtles that mistake them for jellyfish or Portugese man-of-war, scientists said Wednesday.

The balloons could kill the turtles by blocking their digestive systems.

''Because of the prevailing winds, the balloons tend to come down in the gulf

around this area,'' said Ron Jones, a wildlife biologist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

''Marine life, including endangered turtles ... eat them and they get caught in their digestive systems and they starve to death.''

Richard Baldauf, director of the Houston Museum of Natural Science's Office of Environmental Education, said it was ironic the balloons were being released in southeast Texas because Galveson, on the Texas coast, is home to the Head Start nurturing program for the endangered Kemp's ridley sea turtle.

''We have some kind of moral obligation to maintain species that are on this Earth and putting up balloons isn't going to help,'' Baldauf said. ''I keep thinking people know about these things. It's just amazing how many people don't.''

Houston Independent School District spokeswoman Ria Griffin said at least two balloon releases have occurred this week as part of the national Red Ribbon Week anti-drug campaign. At least one more is set for Friday, she said.

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#90298u0973 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (OCT. 25) UPI - Suppose European leaders held a summit and had little to talk about?

The weekend ''emergency summit'' of European Community leaders in Rome is so weak on agenda, and so lacking in urgency, that diplomats are wondering aloud whether it is really necessary.

''Summit without a cause,'' headlined the lead editorial on Thursday of The Times of London.

The two-day summit doesn't even begin until 6:35 p.m. on Saturday, and concludes at 11 a.m. on Sunday.

In fact, officials have gone out of their way in recent days to take items off the table in Rome, leaving slim pickings at mealtime.

The president of the EC executive agency, Jacques Delors, said it would be ''disastrous'' to discuss the EC's disarray over its bargaining position at the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

He also said the EC leaders should ''not attempt a lengthy discussion of monetary union,'' another area of disagreement within the Community.

The summit was initially scheduled to approve financial aid to the Soviet Union, but officials have since concluded any money would now be wasted due to

chaos in the Soviet economy.

There will surely be some discussion of the gulf crisis and Eastern Europe, as well as next month's 34-nation European summit in Paris. But an ''emergency'' meeting?

In fact, the non-need for the summit has spawned strange bedfellows, Delors and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, whose relations are diplomatically described as ''cool at best.''

Thatcher has railed for months on the danger of cheapening the twice- yearly EC summits by adding extra ones after dreaming up ''emergencies'' to justify them.

EC leaders meet in a regular summit every half-year, at the end of each country's rotating six-month presidency of the trade bloc.

The French, however, scheduled a ''special'' summit in November 1989, a month before the regular summit, so Europe's leaders could discuss the dramatic events in Eastern Europe over dinner at the Elysee Palace.

Ireland, not to be outdone during its subsequent presidency, held a ''special'' Dublin summit in April, which basically decided on what to decide at the regular June summit.

Italy took over the presidency reins on July 1, and immediately determined it too needed dual summits.

Italian politicians say this weekend's summit is necessary to lay the groundwork for two constitutional conferences beginning in Rome in December. They are clearly in the minority.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - Oil prices shot up nearly $3 a barrel in early trading Thursday after statements by government leaders refocused the markets' attention on the possibility of war in the Middle East.

''It's renewed fears of war stemming from comments by political leaders,'' said Thomas Blakeslee, a trader with Pegasus Econometrics Group in Hoboken, N.J.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the American benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for December delivery by midday was up $2.88 over Wednesday to $33.96 a barrel.

Home heating oil for November delivery had jumped 6.83 cents to 91.95 cents a

gallon, while November unleaded gasoline was 7.71 cents higher at 93.10 cents a gallon.

Blakeslee said the market was being moved by reports of comments by French President Mitterrand, U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and CIA Director William Webster.

In Paris, the International Herald Tribune, quoting an unnamed source, reported Mitterrand expects war to break out in the Persian Gulf soon and has decided to allow French forces in the region to operate under U.S. command.

The newspaper said Mitterrand thought war was inevitable because of the continuing intransigence on the part of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Asked to comment on the reports, a spokeswoman for the presidential Elysee Palace said, ''The president had not expressed himself in those terms under any circumstances, public or private.''

She added, ''We do not have any information that allows us to say that the United States is going to attack'' and classified as ''absurd'' the report French forces would be placed under U.S. command in case of war.

A U.S. military official told United Press International Monday that U.S. forces would have sufficient supplies of critical spare parts in Saudi Arabia by week's end to support sustained military operations.

Cheney said in morning television interviews that as many as 100,000 additional U.S. troops could be sent to Saudi Arabia, an increase believed sought by military leaders to enable them to launch an attack.

''It's conceivable that we'll end up with that big an increase,'' Cheney replied to a question.

The Pentagon said there are already more than 210,000 U.S. ground, air and naval troops in Saudi Arabia and the surrounding region, facing an Iraqi force of 430,000 in Kuwait and southern Iraq.

Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, was believed to have received a request for another three heavily armored or mechanized divisions during his visit to Saudi Arabia Monday and Tuesday from the commander of the U.S. Central Command, Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf.

Webster was reported as saying during an appearance before the National Council of World Affairs that Iraq's military might must be destroyed and that he didn't believe Saddam had ever been serious about a peacefull settlement.

Statements over the past two weeks from various sources, such as Soviet diplomats and the Palestinian Liberation Organization, having Saddam in a

conciliatory mood and offering to withdraw from all but a small part of Kuwait had dropped oil prices $12 over seven trading sessions ending Monday.

The renewed fears of war was also affecting the overseas spot markets, where crude is traded for cash.

On the European spot market, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was up at midday $1.80 over Wednesday to $32.65 a barrel.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light, the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East, had climbed $2.10 to $28.40 a barrel.

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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (OCT. 25) UPI - Hungary's Constitutional Court has outlawed capital punishment in a ruling 34 years after the start the 1956 uprising that led to executions of scores of the country's top leaders.

Although the decision was generally welcomed by most newspapers Thursday, some commentators questioned the timing of the ruling, which coincides with a sharp increase in violent crime.

''To live is a fundamental and inalienable right,'' the court said in its decision, handed down late Wednesday. It outlawed as unconstitutional the section of the state penal code that permits capital punishment.

The ruling means convicted criminals now facing the death penalty will have their sentences commuted to life imprisonment.

The court's decision comes amid ceremonies marking the 34th anniversary of the 1956 anti-communist revolt that was crushed by Soviet tanks and resulted in the execution of Prime Minister Imre Nagy and over 300 others between 1957 and 1961.

President Arapd Goncz, who had been sentenced to death after the uprising but later had his sentence commuted to a life term, has prevented individual executions by presidential decree since his election to the post in May.

The outlawing of the death penalty drew praise from Hungary's League of the Opponents of Capital Punishment, which petitioned the court last January to declare the death penalty unconstitutional.

It its petition, the League argued that capital punishment was an ''irreversible act which ruined human values.'' It noted that 34 countries have already banned executions.

But League Chairman Tibor Horvath conceded public opinion was divided over the

issue. Violent crime has risen sharply since the restoration of democratic rule, and many Hungarians feel capital punishment would act as a deterrent.

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ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (OCT. 25) UPI - Ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto urged her party leaders Thursday not to ''hand over the country to the worshipers of dictatorship,'' who she said had rigged the general elections, but she agreed to take part in upcoming provincial polls.

Caretaker Prime Minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi, meanwhile, called on Bhutto to accept her party's election loss and warned if she or anyone else tried to disrupt Saturday's provincial elections they would be ''dealt with severely.''

Jatoi spoke to reporters after his Islamic Democratic Alliance won 105 seats in the new 217-member National Assembly in Wednesday's elections, giving it the ability to form a government.

Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party won 45 races, while smaller parties, most of them allied to the IDA, had 31 and independents 21. A further 10 seats are reserved for religious minorities, and polling in one constituency was postponed.

The IDA is to elect a leader, who must then seek a vote of confidence from the National Assembly within 30 days to become prime minister. The two main candidates are Jatoi and Nawaz Sharif, a former chief minister of Punjab Province and Bhutto's main foe during her term of office.

Bhutto, the 37-year-old daughter of former Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, accused her opponents of ''gross rigging'' to achieve their unexpected and decisive victory.

Six international teams are in Pakistan to observe the parliamentary elections and the provincial assembly polls, including a 40-member delegation from the National Democratic Institute, based in the United States. The NDI is to issue a report Friday on the general elections.

A PPP spokesman in the northeastern city of Lahore said the party had decided to take part in Saturday's provincial elections ''so as to know by what means the caretaker government has used and might use to rig the polls.''

Jatoi warned that ''anyone who tries to disrupt the provincial elections will be dealt with severely.'' He denied Wednesday's polls were rigged and called on Bhutto to accept the results.

''Who could have rigged that number of seats?'' he told the news conference. ''It's not humanly possible.''

He said Bhutto ''believes she is always right, that she has done no wrong and can do no wrong. She believes that no one can touch her. This is like 'Alice in Wonderland.'

''Now things have changed. She should accept (the results) with good grace. She should be a good loser also and accept the mandate of the people. She had a chance for two years. ... She failed to run the country. Now it's time for the courts to decide the cases on merit. Justice will be done in each individual case.''

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan dismissed Bhutto's 20-month-old government on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to control law and order, and he dissolved the National Assembly. He appointed opposition leader Jatoi to head an interim government until the elections.

The president also set up Special Disqualification Courts to try Bhutto and members of her administration on corruption charges. If found guilty they could be barred from politics for seven years.

Many believe Ishaq Khan's actions were inspired by the army, which has run Pakistan for more than half of its 43-year history and which had been in conflict with Bhutto's democratic government.

Bhutto told her party leaders at a meeting in her hometown of Larkana Thursday they should ''fight against all odds for the betterment and prosperity of the country'' and not ''hand over the country to the worshipers of dictatorship and so-called democrats.''

Many analysts had predicted the PPP would emerge as the largest single party in the elections after attempts to malign Bhutto and keep her from returning to power evoked a wave of sympathy for her.

Bhutto has attracted large and emotional crowds at rallies across the country in the past few weeks in an outpouring of support many observers say exceeded that of the campaign for the November 1988 elections. The PPP won those elections, the first democratic voting in the country since 1977.

About 48 million of Pakistan's 110 million people were eligible to vote Wednesday. Pakistani reporters said turnout appeared lower than in the 1988 elections, when 43 percent of voters cast ballots.

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OMAHA (OCT. 25) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle and Calves None.

Hogs 1,400; butchers 25 lower, instances 50 off; No 1-3 220-260 lb 57.50-58.00 No 2-3 260- 280 lb 56.50-57.00; sows 50-1.00 lower; No 1-3 350-500 lb mostly 48.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 50.00- 50.50.

Sheep None.

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COPENHAGEN, DENMARK (OCT. 25) UPI - A 66-year-old German woman appeared in court Thursday charged with attempting to smuggle about 25 pounds of gold nuggets worth $160,000 into the country, court officials said.

They said the woman, who was not named, had been detained by Copenhagen Airport customs officers after a random check turned up the gold sewn into the lining of her overcoat.

A 22-year-old Soviet national appeared in court in Copenhagen Wednesday on charges of narcotics posession - the first Soviet citizen to be so charged in Denmark.

The young man, whose name also was witheld, was arrested in Copenhagen Tuesday carrying cannabis. His arrest came three weeks after he had been expelled from the country.

A police spokesman said the man told the court he had returned to Denmark by way of Poland and Sweden in order to collect the cannabis, which was for his own personal use.

The man was jailed for 13 days.

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#90298u1019 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 25) UPI - Stock prices closed lower Thursday in stagnant trading on the London International Stock Exchange amid profit downgradings from several companies and predictions of a long downturn from bellweather Imperial Chemical Industries.

Stocks closed mixed in Frankfurt.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 16.5 points Wednesday, lost 21.8 points to 2,088.7. The narrower top 30 industrial average fell 21.4 points to 1,617.5.

Volume amounted to around 323 million shares compared with 468 million shares changing hands Wednesday.

Analysts said stocks fell following Imperial Chemical Industries, considered to be a bellwether of British industry, reported its pretax profit for the first nine months fell 27 percent from a year earlier.

Imperial Chemical Industries lost 30 cents to $16.58 on what market watchers termed the ''disappointing results.''

Analysts also indicated investors were still being cautious because of continued uncertainty over the Middle East, broad fluctuations in global oil prices, the pending U.S. budget deficit reduction pact and uncertainty over both Britain's and the U.S. economy.

Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major said Britain's industrial ''output is slowing,'' but ''it is not yet clear if the nation is in a recession.''

Major also reiterated an economic slowdown is a ''necessary part of the cycle'' of breaking the nation's inflationary trend.

Standard Charter Bank fell 20 cents to $4.79 in what was described as a selloff related its exposure to Polly Peck International.

Polly Peck went into Britain's high court Thursday to seek an administrator that will allow it to fend off its creditors, the U.S. equivalent of Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

PPI, one of the best performing stocks on the London International Stock Exchange in the last decade, owes banks $1.9 billion.

A steering committee of creditors headed by Standard Chartered Bank had demanded at least $58.5 million by the end of October, and had been pressuring the company to seek an administrator.

Wellcome, the pharmaceutical company, fell 36 cents to $9.17 after reports a rival French drugs company, Rhone-Poulenc, received approval for an anti-AIDS drug.

Among some of the day's other highlights, Barclays de Zoete Wedd fell 18 cents to $6.84, Kleinwort Benson added 4 cents to $5.32, P & O plummented 48 cents to $9.20 and Euro Disney climbed $1 to $18.52.

Stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange were mixed in sluggish trading.

The key 30 stock German Stock Index, which lost 20.52 points Wednesday, rebounded 3.76 points to 1,497.58. The narrower VWD Index lost 12.18 point to 84.40.

Traders said local investors were torn between bearish local economic news and

London's weak performance.

The Federal Statistics Office reported West German import prices surged 2.4 percent in September from August, fueled by higher oil prices.

Market forecasters were expecting the report to show a rise of about 1.8 percent.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $374.90 silver base of $4.25 and platinum price of $425.80:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$390.40	387.10
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	200.30	198.70
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	102.90	102.00
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.50	42.20
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	390.40	387.10
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	200.30	198.70
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	103.40	102.50
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.50	42.20
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	397.10	393.30
China Panda .50 troy oz.	204.60	202.70
China Panda .25 troy oz.	106.10	105.10
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	45.80	45.40
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.40	27.10
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	391.00	387.20
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	199.80	197.80
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	101.00	100.00
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.50	43.10
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	399.40	385.60
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	201.60	199.70
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	103.50	102.50
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.10	43.70
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	389.20	385.40
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	200.10	198.20
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	85.90	85.10
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.50	44.10
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.70	23.60
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.66	$5.63
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,210	$3,190

40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,375	$1,375
Platinum		
Australian Koala	440.00	440.00
Isle of Man Noble	437.00	437.00
Canada Maple Leaf	449.00	448.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (OCT. 25) UPI - NATO formed a task force on Thursday to study ways to remove government-imposed barriers to the free trade of arms within the alliance.

The panel, which will report its findings in six months, stems from a proposal by the U.S. ambassador to NATO, William H. Taft IV, that a ''defense GATT'' be created.

GATT is the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, which sets rules to protect free trade in merchandise. Taft says similar principles should exist within the Atlantic alliance.

''The task force will look at what barriers now exist that prevent nations from buying things from companies in other nations,'' said a NATO diplomat.

The panel will also examine barriers to joint ventures between firms in two or more NATO nations.

The decision to create the task force was made by the Conference of National Armaments Directors, which meets twice a year. The task force report will be presented to the armament directors' next meeting, in April.

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GENEVA (OCT. 25) UPI - Earth will soon face an ''ecological disaster'' because of global warming caused by air pollution and destruction of forests, the World Wildlife Fund warned Thursday.

The environmental group issued its warning ahead of a 100-nation world climate conference in Geneva Oct. 29 to Nov. 7 on drafting guidelines for negotiations next year on a global warming draft treaty.

It is intended to present such a text to a 1992 U.N. Environment and Development Conference in Rio de Janeiro.

Studies prepared for the initial Geneva meeting predicted that temperatures will rise 2 degrees by the year 2025 and 5 degrees by the end of the century without decisive action.

Another report forecast a rise in ocean levels by the year 2100 of between 1 1/2 feet to 3 feet because of the so-called ''greenhouse effect.''

''The world is entering a crucial period,'' the WWF said in its pre-conference statement Thursday. ''There is no doubt that we are fast moving towards the brink of a global ecological disaster.

''It is clear that if massive loss of biological diversity is to be prevented, and severe social and economic disruption is to be avoided, action must be taken to substantially reduce emissions of gases which cause global warming.''

The WWF called specifically for ''a binding agreement'' to reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 20 percent by 2005, at least in the industrial countries. Those emissions, along with carbon dioxide produced by the burning of tropical forests, are believed responsible for global warming.

The WWF report also called for a comprehensive forestry agreement on conserving and sustaining tropical and other forests.

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WARSAW, POLAND (OCT. 25) UPI - Jewish and Catholic leaders this week worked to stop a rising tide of anti-Semitism in Poland through conversation and music, in what was billed as one of the first major steps toward a reconciliation between Jews and Catholics since World War II.

But they face a formidable task, as evidenced Thursday by questions posed to the election committee of Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, who has suffered from a whisper campaign that while he is a Catholic he may have some Jewish heritage.

Adam Szostkiewicz, spokesman for Mazowiecki's election committee, was asked whether some remarks made by Solidarity leader Lech Walesa were anti-Semitic. Walesa is his main rival for president in the Nov. 25 elections.

''At this point we don't consider them anti-Semitic but some questions from the crowd were,'' said Szostkiewicz. Freedom in the East Bloc also has fostered more open expressions of hostility toward Jews, including anti-Semitic remarks from some Walesa supporters.

The United Jewish Appeal and the Polish government called the reconciliation effort a ''signal event in Polish-Jewish dialogue.''

More than 3 million Polish Jews, 90 percent of the Jewish community's population, died in Nazi concentration camps. Now just 15,000 Jews live in Poland, which is an overwhelmingly Catholic nation.

Krakow's Temple Postepowa, a 100-year-old synagogue unusued since World War II was reopened Wednesday with a ''Concert of Remembrance and Reconciliation.''

Father Stanislaw Musial, who heads a committee to improve Catholic- Jewish relations, asked forgiveness for those Poles who failed to help Jews.

''We are sorry for each Pole who did not extend a helpful hand and gave up to the Nazis or tried to profit from your fear and loneliness. For that, I apologize. Poland, full of blood of the Jews killed here during World War II must be free of any trace of anti-Semitism.''

Pope John Paul II, who is Polish, also expressed remorse in a message delivered on his behalf.

The Jewish ''nation had lived with us for generations, shoulder to shoulder, on the same soil which became like their own motherland, motherland of their diaspora. A terrible death was inflicted upon this nation,'' the pope said.

''The murderers did it on our soil, perhaps they wanted to disgrace it. But you cannot disgrace a land with the deaths of innocent victims. Through such death a land becomes sacred. The nation which had lived on this land together with us remained with us after the terrible deaths of millions of its sons and daughters. And together we are waiting for the last judgment and resurrection.''

A concert in the synagogue, featuring works by Beethoven and Dvorak, was conducted by American Gilbert Levine, whose mother-in-law is one the few who survived Auschwitz in southern Poland. He was named to head the Krakow Philharmonic in 1987, the first American named to lead an Eastern European cultural institution.

Max Bruch's ''Kol Nidre,'' which expresses the grief and suffering felt at the tremendous loss suffered by the Jewish people was performed.

Before the concert, the Star of David was raised on top of the synagogue. The six-pointed star was torn down in November 1939 by the Gestapo during the German occupation.

The United Jewish Appeal sent 250 people to Poland for the reconciliation ceremonies, the Vatican sent an emissary, and the U.S and Israeli ambassadors attended. A group of young Jews, most of Polish heritage, visited the Nazi

death camps at Auschwitz-Birkenau, guided by survivors of the same camps.

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LONDON (OCT. 25) UPI - Britain's high court Thursday appointed joint administrators to sort out the financial jumble involving Polly Peck International, the conglomerate with business interests ranging from fruits to electronics that is beset by massive debt and faces an insider trading inquiry.

The administrators will take over the reins of Polly Peck, effectively signaling an end to Chairman Asil Nadir's personal control of the company, which owes banks $1.9 billion.

As Chapter 11 federal bankruptcy proceedings do in the United States, a court-appointed administrator gives the company protection from its creditors and allows its subsidiaries to continue in business while attempting to reorganize.

''It was the best thing to do for the moment because it will give us protection from the banks while we regroup,'' Nadir said in a statement issued before the court approved the administrators.

According to a court official, three accounting executives were named to serve as Polly Peck's administrators: Christopher Morris, of Touche Ross, and Richard Stone and Michael Jordan, both of Coopers and Lybrand Deloitte.

Polly Peck went to the high court after Nadir, a Turkish Cypriot, returned from Turkey without having secured funds needed to ward off creditors.

Polly Peck, whose shares were one of the best performing equities on the London International Stock Exchange in the last decade, owns the U.S.-based PPI Del Monte Tropical Fruits Co. as well as consumer- electronics groups based in the Far East. Most of its operations in agriculture and industry are found in Turkey and northern Cyprus.

A steering committee of creditors headed by Standard Chartered Bank had demanded at least $58.5 million by the end of October and had been pressuring the company to seek an administrator.

The value of Polly Peck's outstanding shares grew in value to more than $2.9 billion earlier this year but collapsed to $893 million before trading in the shares was suspended by British authorities Sept. 20 because of an inquiry into insider trading that allegedly involved a Nadir family trust.

The investigation by the Serious Fraud Office is continuing.

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SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (OCT. 25) UPI - The army killed five rebels and wounded 15 others after discovering a guerrilla training camp on the eastern outskirts of the capital, an armed forces spokesman said Thursday.

The army said it discovered one of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front's weapons training camps in the town of San Jose Guayabal, 15 miles east of San Salvador.

A military spokesman said the army killed five rebels and wounded 15. He said one soldier was also killed, but would not provide further details of the clash.

The army seized rebel equipment including one M-16 rifle, one AR-15 machine gun, artillary, uniforms and medicine. Thirteen stores that surrounded the camp were destroyed by troops.

Government and rebel representatives are scheduled to meet Nov. 4 in Mexico for their sixth round of peace in an effort to reach a negotiated end to the decade-old civil war.

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NEW DELHI, INDIA (OCT. 25) UPI - Authorities enforced curfews and ordered the army to patrol several cities as Hindu-Moslem clashes over a temple- mosque dispute Thursday left 14 people dead, raising the number of people killed to 68, police and news reports said.

Violence lingered for a second day in several Indian cities, which erupted Wednesday during a nationwide strike called by the right-wing fundamentalist Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party to protest the arrest of its president, L.K. Advani, who was leading a pro-temple procession.

The arrest prompted the BJP to withdraw its crucial parliamentary support to the five-party National Front coalition government of Prime Minister V.P. Singh, reducing the government to a minority in Parliament and putting it close to collapse.

The withdrawl of support plunged the administration into its worst crisis since it assumed power 11 months ago and prompted President Ramaswamy Venkataraman to ask Singh to prove his majority in Parliament on Nov.7.

Experts believe India may have to go to polls soon to elect a new government.

The Press Trust of India and state-run Doordarshan television said that worst incidents occurred in the northern Rajastan state capital city of Jaipur,

where security forces and violent agitators fought at three places with guns and rocks.

Five people died in the city, the agency said, adding that one other person died in police gunfire in the nearby Jodhpur town.

It said authorities early morning recovered 22 bodies from two slum colonies in Jaipur. Residents contacted on phone said attackers armed with weapons raided two residential colonies, attacking residents with knifes or clubbing them with sticks. Many of the victims were doused in fuel and set ablaze.

Police reported at least eight people killed in similar Hindu-Moslem clashes and police firings at Ahmedabad and Godara cities in western Gujarat state, Howrah and Purulia districts in eastern West Bengal state, and Hubli city in southern Karnataka state.

The Press Trust said army patrolled streets and authorities enforced curfews in these places.

In late September Advani began a 6,250 mile cross-country procession to garner support for temple construction in Ayodhya.

The BJP president was arrested in northern Bihar state after he failed to heed a government warning to call off the pro-temple procession.

Hindu radicals claim that the 460-year-old mosque that occupies the Ayodhya site was built by the Moghul emperor Babbar after he destroyed a temple marking the birthplace of Lord Rama, one of the most important gods in the vast Hindu pantheon.

Moslem leaders refute the claim and contend that no temple ever existed at the disputed place.

The Ayodhya dispute has been smouldering since February 1986, when a court agreed to allow Hindus to worship in the mosque. The building had been locked since 1949 and contains an altar bearing Hindu idols. The move led to communal riots in several cities.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - Astronomers have discovered what may be the largest galaxy in the known universe, a mammoth cluster of stars with a diameter of 6 million light years, some 60 times wider than Earth's Milky Way, it was reported Thursday.

The giant object is located in the heart of a cluster of galaxies known as Abell 2029, a team of astronomers reported in the journal Science.

The object is some 1 billion light years from Earth, that is, the distance light travels in 1 billion years at a speed of 186,000 miles per second.

Using a 36-inch telescope at the Kitt Peak National Observatory in Arizona, the astronomers were able to detect a ''halo'' of diffuse light surrounding a massive galaxy at the center of Abell 2029.

A mosaic of 16 images made with light-sensitive electronic ''chips'' called charge-coupled devices, or CCDs, showed the diffuse halo to be remarkably uniform, leading the astronomers to conclude they were looking at a single galaxy, the largest ever discovered.

Measurements indicate the galaxy has a diameter of some 6 million light years, more than 4 1/2 times the diameter of the previous record holder and some 60 times wider than Earth's Milky Way, which has a diameter of about 100,000 light years.

The discovery was made by Juan Uson of the National Radio Astronomy Observatory in Socorro, N.M.; Stephen Boughn of Haverford College in Haverford Penn.; and Jeffrey Kuhn of Michigan State University in East Lansing, Mich.

''Whether the diffuse halo in Abell 2029 is considered to be an extension of the central ... galaxy or a component of diffuse cluster light is, to some extent, a matter of semantics,'' the astronomers wrote.

But the scientists believe they are seeing a giant galaxy, primarily because the halo's light spreads very smoothly outward from the central galaxy and because the halo has the same elliptical shape as the central galaxy.

''Quite simply, the central galaxy is indistinguishable from the diffuse light that extends ... from the cluster center,'' they said. ''Thus, this 'object' is among the largest and most luminous galaxies observed.''

The galaxy shines with 2 trillion times the light produced by Earth's sun and it is elliptical in shape. About 26 percent of the light given off by the galactic cluster is contributed by this one galaxy.

''This is an organized mass of light and energy,'' Kuhn said in a news release. ''It's a very large, organized galaxy.''

Most galaxies are parts of giant clusters, many of which can contain thousands of members. By studying such giant galaxies as the record- holder described in Science, astronauts hope to learn more about how galactic clusters form.

''What we found is an object that must have existed for a long time, because it takes a long time to get all that matter and light organized into a smooth distribution,'' Kuhn said. ''That tells us that somehow, this thing in the

middle of the cluster was a very important ingredient in the formation of this cluster.''

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TALLAHASSEE, FL (OCT. 25) UPI - The steady rise in gasoline prices probably won't steer more Americans into car pooling because most prefer to put up with the inconveniences of driving alone, a Florida State University researcher said Thursday.

Jon Bailey, an FSU psychology professor who studied car pooling during the energy crisis of the late 1970s, said daily hassles such as waiting for riders and dealing with their annoying habits outweigh the long-term savings on gasoline and other costs involved in driving alone.

"There is a lot of idealism about how wonderful car pooling is and how everybody should share rides to and from work," Bailey said. "But when you get right down to the nitty gritty, very few people are actually going to do it.

"Somebody comes down with a cold and everybody's got it. An accident doesn't injure just one person, it injures three or four. People spill coffee in your new car seats. It's not hard to envision the negative consequences of car pooling," he said.

For many people the time driving to and from work is the only time they have alone all day. The rest of the time they must deal with co-workers, family members, and friends, Bailey said.

"As a society, we are very interested in preserving our personal space," he said. "We are very averse to dealing with personal conflict and the fact that we might have to deal with that conflict is something we want to avoid, and we're willing to pay a very high price."

Bailey's studies show that employers can spur car pooling by giving those who share rides rewards such as reserved parking spaces or a few minutes off early to get a jump on traffic.

In the meantime, he said, he expects budget-minded Americans to offset higher gasoline prices in other ways. "I think we'll take shorter trips, stay in a cheaper hotel and come back from vacation a day earlier," Bailey said. "I think we won't eat dessert. I think that's where the savings will come from as opposed to trying to round up a bunch of folks for a car pool."

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (OCT. 25) UPI - The chief of the Soviet military staff,

Gen. Mikhail Moiseyev, called for a ''Europe free of military blocs'' during a landmark visit to NATO headquarters on Thursday.

Moiseyev met with the 16 NATO chiefs of staff, who were assembled to draft the alliance's post-Cold War strategy at a meeting of the NATO Military Committee.

''It was a very lively, open and frank exchange of views,'' said the chairman of the Military Committee, Norwegian Gen. Vigleik Eide.

''My vision of Europe is a Europe free from military blocs,'' Moiseyev told reporters before leaving the NATO compound, where workers pressed against window panes to glimpse the distinctive brown and red uniforms of the Soviet military man and his entourage.

The Soviet-led Warsaw Pact has been rapidly collapsing since the Berlin Wall was first breached last November.

''We are threatening to no one,'' Moiseyev said. ''The substance of our defensive military doctrine has been clearly laid out. We are not training our armed forces to attack anyone.''

Eide said the Soviet military chief ''expressed some doubt whether the present alliance system can continue. Given the changes in the Warsaw Pact, they have some concerns about NATO continuing.''

''He's entitled to his view,'' Eide said, ''but the future of NATO will be decided by 16 sovereign nations, and if they want NATO to continue it will continue.''

Moiseyev, who arrived in Belgium on Wednesday, will meet on Friday with NATO's European commander, U.S. Gen. John Galvin, at the Supreme Headquarters of the Allied Powers of Europe (SHAPE).

Eide said the Military Committee's session with Moiseyev was ''a meeting between professionals who can discuss matters in an open and friendly way.''

''It's a risky world with a lot of instability,'' the Norwegian general said. ''We discussed the need for cooperation on security issues.''

They discussed the gulf crisis only briefly.

''He reiterated his view that the situation should be resolved by peaceful means without fighting a war,'' Eide said.

Despite the warming of relations between NATO and the Soviet Union, said Eide, ''it's no secret that the Soviets will continue to be a military superpower'' and some differences will continue.

''If we should have this greater cooperation, we will have to cross through troubled water to get there,'' he said. ''It's a step-by-step process.''

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(OCT. 25) UPI - Only a few details are said to be standing in the way of Congress finally approving a new deficit-reduction budget plan. And that news was enough to get President Bush to sign a new temporary spending bill today to keep the federal government going at least until midnight Saturday.

Administration budget chief Richard Darman says that while a ''laundry list'' of items still must be negotiated, it is possible that all of this could become a done deal by later today.

Israel today sent its regrets to the United Nations, saying it is disappointed over passage of a second condemnation measure by the Security Council in two weeks. The unanimous 15N on record as deploring Israel's refusal to co-operate with an investigation into the October 8th Temple Mount riots in which 20 Arabs died.

In the Philippines, armed men believed to be guerrillas of the communist New People's Army burned four buses in Manila and nearby towns today, injuring one driver. Leftist workers are trying to continue a general strike that for the most part has been ineffective.

Riot police moved in to break up a two-day vigil at the Philippine Senate by 500 workers demanding a 50 percent pay raise because of soaring gasoline prices. But the president of the Philippine Senate allowed the protesters to remain until tomorrow.

Parliamentary elections are over in Pakistan, and ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto claims the opposition stole the results. The major opposition party won 105 of the 217 seats in the National Assembly. Bhutto's party won just 45. Other parties divided what's left.

Radio Pakistan says a strong earthquake centered 250 miles north of the city of Peshawar injured at least 70 people today and caused widespread damage. The six-point-six magnitude jolt was felt in Pakistan, Afghanistan and India. It lasted about 15 seconds.

19 people have died in political violence in North Ireland in the past 12 days. Two girls today found the body of a 28-year-old Protestant radical in an alley in south Belfast. The dead man was a member of a para-military group opposed to the I-R-A.

Three British soldiers injured in bombings yesterday remain in critical condition today. Three bombings killed six soldiers and one civilian and

wounded 21 other people in the worst wave of I-R-A attacks in two years.

The Senate yesterday passed a bill that would place steriods in the same catagory as other illegal drugs like cocaine. The measure would give the Drug Enforcement Administration authority to investigate trafficking of the muscle-enhancing drugs and increase maximum prison terms for their sale.

Athletes have used steriods for years to build muscle quickly and the drug has found its way into high school and college locker rooms. Side effects from steriod use include serious damage to internal organs.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Avon Products Inc. expects to earn $2.60 a share on a fully diluted basis for 1990, which would represent a 25 percent increase over last year, the company's chairman and chief executive officer said Thursday.

Speaking to securities analysts, James Preston said that U.S. sales for the beauty products giant are "at least even with last year" and that softness in the northeastern and midwestern markets was offset by increases in the South, Southwest and West.

Preston also reported that two members of Chartwell Associates LP, an investment group that owns 19.9 percent of Avon's stock, had resigned from a special committee the company formed to enhance shareholder value.

The resignations followed the group's selection of a financial advisor to the committee that Preston said had a "severe conflict of interest." Chartwell is led by executives of Mary Kay Corp., a major Avon competitor, and is still represented on Avon's board.

Avon has now retained investment banker James D. Wolfensohn Inc. to advise the committee on how to add to shareholders' value. Preston said that the committee is considering a buyback of Avon stock but that the company is currently concentrating on debt reduction.

"In the current economic climate, the committee and the board believe it is important to have a strong balance sheet. It's our conviction that our debt-to-total capitalization is still too high and that this is not a good time to be highly leveraged."

He said the company's total debt at the end of the third quarter was $603 million and had been reduced by 46 percent over the last 21 months. Avon's debt-to-capitalization ratio was down to 67 percent at Sept. 30, compared with 80 percent as of the same date last year. Preston said 1991 would be "another good year" although he did not expect earnings to match profits achieved 1989

or 1990.

He said the Persian Gulf crisis does not directly affect Avon since only two percent of its raw materials are petroleum-based and its manufacturing processes are not energy-intensive. He added that each ten cent increase in gasoline prices costs Avon "only" $2 million a year worldwide. He said Avon is not recession proof but can resist recession through its diversified operations.

In international business, which accounts for 55 percent of sales, Preston said the nine-nation Pacific region is destined to be the largest and most profitable market.

The region accounts for 24 percent of Avon's worldwide sales, and has increased its sales by 60 percent and its pre-tax contributions by 69 percent over four years.

In Japan, however, Avon is negotiating to sell about half of the 60 percent interest it has in a joint venture there. Preston said sales and pre-tax earnings will be down there for the year.

At the same time, the company is currently setting up a joint venture in China where it will begin selling in the first week of November. Preston said that Avon's initial investment there is "modest" and that the company estimates net sales there of about $1.5 million by the end of 1991.

Addressing other markets, he said Europe was "improving" and Germany is receiving "special attention" because it will be "the key to winning Europe in 1992," when a single market will emerge among the countries of Western Europe.

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DALLAS (OCT. 25) UPI - Indicted thrift king Don Dixon squeezed bank officers and borrowers to pay for prostitutes, politicians, and a $2 million "party and sex" beach home in California, federal prosecutors said Thursday.

"Dixon set the tone at his savings and loan," Justice Department prosecutor Robert Halberg said in opening remarks. "He defined the corporate culture, and today he cannot ignore the consequences of his actions.

Halberg compared the curly-haired, moustached Dixon to Gus, wizened hero of "Lonesome Dove." "Dixon wanted to make that big Montana drive," Halberg said, "but he knew he'd have to lie, cheat and steal to do it."

Defense attorneys said Dixon, owner of failed Vernon Savings and Loan, did what he had to do to survive, and he took his lumps. "The largest political contributor was none other than Don Dixon," said attorney Billy Ravkind. "The

largest loser when the thrift failed was again Don Dixon.

"Don sunk $14 million of his own money in the bank through the years," said Ravkind, "and today, as you see him, he's penniless," at which point Ravkind motioned toward his client, nervously hunched over the defense table and wearing a threadbare blue coat and wire-rim spectacles.

Dixon, accused in a 38-count indictment of concealing payments to politicians, prostitutes, and to support a lavish lifestyle, found politicians and lobbyists came to him with their hands "open and outstretched," said Ravkind.

In 1985, he said, Dixon entered his Solona Beach, Calif., home, owned through Vernon, to find Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., sitting on a sofa. "Don had never met Mr. Cranston," Ravkind said. "But there he sat like an old friend. Cranston listened to Mr. Dixon talk about problems in the industry and he cocked his head, and said he was so sorry. But he (Cranston) could certainly use $20,000 to $30,000. "Don learned that's just how it works."

Cranston, whose office declined comment on the trial statement, is currently under investigation by the Senate ethics committee for his intervention with government regulators on behalf of Charles Keating, indicted owner of failed Lincoln Savings and Loan.

Other politicians who accepted contributions filtered through falsified Vernon expense documents include former Rep. Jack Kemp, currently secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Sen. Jake Garn, R- Utah; former congressmen Tony Coelho of California, and Jim Wright and Tom Loeffler of Texas, according to the Dixon indictment.

Ravkind said Dixon was selected as a scapegoat for the S&L crisis. Vernon's 1987 collapse cost taxpayers an estimated $1.3 billion and was one of the largest thrift losses in the nation at the time.

"There was and is an attitude in Washington to get the high-flying Texans," Ravkind told the seven-woman, five-man jury. "The attitude is anti-Texan, anti-S&L and anti-real estate. It is naive and it is wrong."

Dixon made political contributions, and encouraged his lieutenants to follow suit, because he felt Congress was out to destroy the S&L industry by removing tax shelter incentives and increasing regulation, his attorney said. "He saw the big Texas collapse coming," Ravkind said, "and he was dead right."

Ravkind discounted government claims Dixon turned trips with regulators and bank officers into sex junkets. "There were women, yes, but there was no sex," he said. Girls hired from the Million-Dollar Saloon, a Dallas topless club, served only as hostesses and waitresses. "They weren't whores, and they'd tear your head off if you said they were."

The trial is expected to last at least a month with witnesses including major California developers, a convicted madam, former Vernon pilots, borrowers, and officers.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - The budget compromise making the rounds on Capitol Hill Thursday is designed to hit the wealthy, but in the process of trying to flatten out the nation's tax structure, congressional negotiators may have created a new "tax bubble."

Even though in the late stages of negotiations Democrats gave up on their idea of pursuing a special surtax on people with incomes of more than $1 million, the package still would try to soak the very rich by limiting the deductions they can take and by taking away their personal exemptions.

However, while complete details still were not available Thursday, it appeared that the plan would not fully straighten out the country's convoluted tax rate structure.

Currently, Americans pay 15 percent tax the first part of their income, 28 percent tax on the next part and then 33 percent on the next portion. After that, the tax rate drops back down to 28 percent. The 33 percent portion is called the "tax bubble."

Under proposed 1990 rates, a family of four would pay 15 percent tax on the first $32,450 of taxable income, 28 percent on the income between $32,450 and $78,400 and 33 percent on the income from that point to just over $208,000. From there on, the tax rate would go back to 28 percent.

A main Democratic goal of this year's tax fight was to flatten out that bubble with a third tax rate that did not eventually go back down. However, while the top rate was changed under the compromise plan, it appeared a bubble would remain.

The plan called for the 15 percent rate and 28 percent rate to remain, but instead of then jumping to a 33 percent rate that would eventually decline, the plan would impose a 31 percent rate that stays in place.

As a result, some people whose income now stops in the old 33 percent rate would likely see a tax cut because their marginal rate would now be 31 percent.

But it appears some new provisions would keep a tax bubble in place, only at a higher tax rate than before. Under the plan, the wealthiest Americans would begin to lose the value of some of their tax deductions and also would, as under current law, lose the value of the personal exemptions they claim.

The loss of the deductions, tax analysts said, would effectively mean an increase of nearly one percentage point in the tax rate, while the loss of the exemptions would be equivalent to an additional half-point rise in the top tax rate for each exemption lost.

Under the tentative plan - one House Democrats appeared to embrace during a caucus Wednesday - couples with two children and with taxable incomes of at least $150,000 a year would see their tax rate rise 0.5 percent for each of their four personal exemptions, for a total of two percentages points.

So, for that couple, the new 31 percent tax rate for people in their income bracket would rise to 33 percent - creating a new tax bubble. It was unclear Thursday if there was a cap on how high the tax rate could go for rich people with many children.

Those with taxable incomes of $275,000 or more a year would be prohibited from claiming any personal exemptions but they would see their tax rate stay at 31 percent under the tentative plan.

However, while the basic outlines of a compromise package were being circulated Thursday afternoon, the precise details of when various tax provisions would go into effect were still up in the air. In fact, even Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Calif., the chairman of the House Budget Committee, said Thursday he did not yet know some details of the plan.

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PALMER, Alaska (OCT. 25) UPI - A minor earthquake jolted residents in southern Alaska Thursday, but no damage or injuries were reported, the Alaska Tsunami Warning Center said.

Spokesman Bob Hammond said the quake at 9:41 a.m. Alaska Daylight Time was centered 60 miles northwest of Talkeetna and 130 miles northwest of Anchorage and recorded a preliminary magnitude of 3.9 on the open-ended Richter scale.

''There were no reports of injuries or damage,'' Hammond said. ''Residents who reported feeling it said it was a sharp jolt, but a very minor one, and didn't disturb anything.''

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 25) UPI - MCA Inc.'s common stock recovered Thursday, following the denial of a report that buyout talks with Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. had been suspended.

MCA was up $6.75 to $57 a share in early afternoon trading Thursday on the New

York Stock Exchange. It had fallen as low as $48 Wednesday following a report from Nikkei News Service that talks between MCA and Matsushita over a possible $8 billion takeover bid had been suspended until mid-November.

Trading was halted twice during Wednesday's session and the stock closed off $8.625 a share at $50.25 Wednesday on heavy volume.

After the market closed, Matsushita issued a statement from its home office in Osaka, Japan, denying the talks have broken off.

The denial was the first comment from either company in several weeks. MCA has refused to comment about the negotiations since admitting that it was holding buyout talks with Matsushita.

Entertainment analyst Paul Marsh of Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards in Los Angeles said the report of the delayed talks may have been bogus. ''This may have been the first false rumor that we've seen on this deal, '' he said.

Steven Hill of Sutro & Co. in San Francisco said that the recovery of the stock price showed that investors have been reassured that a deal is likely.

''The transaction is still probably going to go through,'' Hill said. ''The deal makes sense for both companies.''

But, Hill said, it is likely that the closing will not occur for several more weeks, since there are a number of complex issues to be resolved. ''I would not be surprised to see some kind of delay,'' he said.

Kidder, Peabody entertainment analyst Christopher Dixon agreed that both sides have ''major incentives'' to go through with the deal, probably at a price above $75 a share.

Analysts have said the issues that could stall the deal include the tax liability of major MCA shareholders and the sale of MCA's WWOR television station in New Jersey since federal regulations would prohibit a foreign owner of a broadcast outlet.

Reports have emerged that Matsushita may not want to buy MCA's movie studio theme parks in California and Florida.

Besides the theme parks, MCA's key assets include Universal Studios, several record labels and book publishers, huge film and television libraries, 420 acres of real estate in Hollywood and interests in the USA Network cable channel and the Cineplex Odeon theater chain.

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OTTAWA (OCT. 25) UPI - The Canadian government, buffeted by an economic recession and higher unemployment, Thursday announced a moderate increase in immigration levels and higher funding for language training of newcomers.

Immigration Minister Barbara McDougall told Parliament that under the terms of a new five-year plan immigration would increase from 200,000 in 1990 to 220,000 in 1991 and to 250,000 annually in subsequent years.

Only 13,000 refugees will be accepted each year into Canada, most of them from southeast Asia, Latin America and the Middle East and West Asia. At the same time, the government greatly reduced the refugee quota from Eastern Europe from 3,500 in 1990 to 550 in 1991.

McDougall, referring to opinion polls that indicate most Canadians want the number of immigrants and refugees restricted because of the economic slowdown, said the government balanced ''the views, interests and motives of all Canadians, while living within budgetary and other restraints.''

To help immigrants integrate more quickly into Canadian society, the federal government will spend an extra $200 million on language training over the next four years, McDougall said.

Under a new definition of what constitutes a family, adult non- dependent children will no longer be allowed to accompany their parents into Canada, the minister said. As well, the number of skilled workers was increased in the later years of the plan to meet regional workforce needs.

The immigration numbers are the equivalent of about 1 percent of Canada's population of 25 million.

But Liberal immigration critic, Alfonso Gagliano, said the numbers are not sufficiently high to compensate for the country's declining birth rate and population.

The population is expected to increase to 28 million, then drop to 15 million over a 25 year period, Gagliano said. He said the low immigration policy would have serious social and economic consequences, including a drop in tax revenue and an inadequate labor force.

''We not only have a financial deficit, but a human deficit which is becoming more threatening every day,'' Gagliano said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - The Oversight Board of the Resolution Trust Corp. Thursday approved an operating plan for the first six months of fiscal 1991 that calls for the sale or liquidation of 192 insolvent thrifts by the end of

March.

The plan, which depends on funding by Congress, would authorize $62.2 billion in new funding to the RTC, including $23.3 billion to resolve the 192 thrifts and $38.9 billion in working capital to be borrowed through the Federal Financing Bank.

The action would bring to 479 the number of thrifts resolved by the federal government since August 1989.

Peter Monroe, the board's president, termed the plan ''ambitious'' and said it would allow the RTC to continue ''a high level of resolutions.''

''If the RTC meets its target of 192 new resolutions, it will have sold or closed approximately 90 percent of all thrifts seized by the RTC to date,'' Monroe said.

Of the $23.3 billion in loss funds anticipated for the six-month period, $11.3 billion would come from Treasury appropriations and $12 billion from the sale of Resolution Funding Corp. bonds.

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BY JIM ANDERSON - UPI

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - In what could be a long and painful episode, Israeli officials exressed resentment Thursday about the second time in a week that the United States voted to criticize Israel for its actions in East Jerusalem.

U.S. officials, in turn, were frustrated by Israel's refusal to allow a U.N. inspection team to look into the Oct. 8 killing of 21 Palestinians in East Jerusalem.

And, ironically, both Israeli and American officials used the same justification for their anger with each other: The episode draws the focus of world attention away from Saddam Hussein and his aggression against Kuwait.

Avi Pazner, spokesman for Prime Minister Yitshak Shamir, said Israel regretted the resolution, and he said a U.N. inspection team was unacceptable because ''it harms our sovereignty,'' a reference to Israel's 1967 annexation of the old city and surrounding hills. That annexation is not recognized by any other country, including the United States.

In Washington, another Israeli official used much stronger language, saying, ''We more than regret it. It is totally unproductive in restoring order on the ground and it takes the focus away from Saddam Hussein and his aggression.''

A State Department spokesman, Richard Boucher, said the United States supports the deploring of Israel's behavior ''because we agreed with the language.''

He also added that he hopes the focus could be returned to Saddam Hussein as the Security Council moved on to consider a resolution that would condemn Iraq for refusing to permit the resupply of diplomatic missions in Kuwait.

But other diplomats said the Israeli matter is not finished, and some members of the Council are considering a plan in which condemnation of Iraqi behavior would be alternated with another resolution condemning Israel for its refusal to accept the U.N. team until Israel caves in.

But there appeared to be little chance of Israel giving in because of the sovereignty issue raised by the Israeli government.

In a letter to Secretary of State James Baker on Oct. 2, Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy appeared to open that question himself when he agreed that Israel will not seek to settle Jewish civilians ''beyond the green line,'' meaning territory that Israel did not control on June 5, 1967.

The State Department says that would clearly include East Jersualem. The Israeli government - including Levy, once he got back to Israel - says it does not, raising a potentially devastating issue in U.S.- Israeli relations: That is whether the Likud government has been dealing in good faith with the United States.

Baker already felt burned by the Israelis backing away from their own election proposal for Palestinian Arabs in the occupied territories once it appeared that Baker was close to putting together a formula for direct Israeli-Palestinian talks.

There are further bruised feelings to come.

While some members of the Israeli Cabinet plead for calm and order, there are other, more inflammatory voices, including Agriculture Minister Rafael Eitan, who told Israeli radio that it would be best to deport to Lebanon the entire family of any Arab found with any kind of weapon. Another possibility, he went on, ''would be to shoot him (an Arab caught with a weapon) in the head.''

Prime Minister Shamir also added to the heat of the quarrel with Washington, putting the entire blame on the U.S. government for the condemnation of Israel and described the U.S. actions as ''unreasonable'' and using ''aggressive, even threatening language'' against Israel.

Shamir said, in a broadcast interview, ''We cannot ignore this phenomenon of Secretary of State Baker writing us letters in such a severe and ungracious tone.''

And Baker, for his part, scornfully criticized the Israeli government for leaking a confidential communication, and doing it in such a way that it distorted his words.

From both sides, it looked like a long, cold winter in the relations between the United States and Israel.

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SAO PAULO, BRAZIL (OCT. 25) UPI - Child prostitution is on the rise in Brazil with more than 500,000 young women selling themselves, mostly on street corners and discotheques in cities like Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo, a state report said.

The report, released this week by the Ministry of Social Action, backs up earlier reports by U.N. agencies and gives new details about the origins of the severe prostitution problem in South America's largest and most populated country.

''In the interior of the Amazon and Central-West regions, children are sold to truckdrivers by their fathers or by child-peddling agents,'' the report said. ''Some of the truckdrivers serve as accomplices in the trafficking of child prostitutes.''

Based on Brazil's 1989 population of 147.4 million people, the report said, one in every 300 persons is a child prostitute.

Child prostitutes were described as ranging between the ages of 11 and 17. It also released figures showing that more than 1 million women under the age of 19 are single mothers.

The report was prepared in part by the Brazilian Center on Infancy and Adolescence and was based largely on Federal Police records.

It said virtually all of the young women turn to prostitution as a means of survival, and that many of them turn to drugs after they hit the streets.

''Principally, the streets are a means of generating income for them, though it can also be a means of gaining social acceptance,'' the report said.

It also pointed out that a maid often makes about 55 cents a month, while a street walker can often make that in one or two good nights.

The growth of prostitution in Rio de Janeiro has contributed to the city's rising crime problem, and recently has given rise to problems of overcrowdedness and poor sanitary conditions in low-income housing areas as

prostitutes turn to small apartments in the city rather than busing in from the suburbs daily.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 25) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	77.65	77.90	77.47	77.87	77.63
Feb	74.55	74.95	74.55	74.92	74.55
Apr	75.00	75.37	74.95	75.35	75.03
Jun	72.95	73.45	72.90	73.37	72.88
Aug	71.28	71.95	71.27	71.82	71.28
Oct	71.90	72.10	71.80	71.97	71.50

Est. sales 10,814 contracts; Wednesday 17, 380; open interest 64,791 up 670.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Oct	87.27	87.35	87.27	87.32	87.20
Nov	86.65	87.20	86.65	87.17	86.57
Jan	85.17	85.90	85.17	85.87	85.07
Mar	83.75	84.15	83.60	84.10	83.38
Apr	82.75	83.20	82.70	83.05	82.60
May	82.00	82.15	81.95	82.15	81.75
Aug	80.77	81.30	80.77	81.30	80.78

Est. sales 1,899 contracts; Wednesday 2,084; open interest 11,108 off 148.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	53.70	54.10	53.55	53.82	53.83
Feb	50.50	51.22	50.50	51.02	50.67
Apr	47.45	47.85	47.45	47.70	47.42
Jun	51.10	51.35	51.00	51.15	51.20
Jul	51.50	51.75	51.30	51.67	51.42
Aug	50.10	50.20	50.00	50.10	50.05
Oct	45.25	45.50	45.25	45.40	45.30
Dec	45.25	45.70	45.25	45.70	....

Est. sales 4,5872 contracts; Wednesday 5 592; open interest 24,980 off 180.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	65.80	67.10	64.52	64.85	66.00
Mar	65.65	66.70	64.00	64.30	65.77
May	65.20	66.00	63.57	63.92	65.57
Jul	64.90	65.10	62.90	63.05	64.90
Aug	62.50	63.60	61.50	61.50	63.50

Est. sales 4,801 contracts; Wednesday 3,259; open interest 8,875 up 190.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of

fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 125.92 up 26 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 125.47 up 31 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 117.39 down 17 cents, 700-850 lbs. 116.61 up 7 cents.

Pork carlot trading moderate; demand moderate; fresh pork loins were not fully established; Boston butts 2.00 higher; skinned hams 2.00 higher; seedless bellies were not fully established; pork loins 14-18 lb 113.00; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 80.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 104.00-106.00, 20-26 lbs.101.00-102.00, 32 lbs. and up 95.00; bellies 20-25 lbs. 51.00.

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BONN, GERMANY (OCT. 25) UPI - German deputies reprimanded U.S. authorities for moving too slow in giving Germany control of millions of former Nazi Party files, parliamentary sources said Thursday.

In a closed meeting Wednesday, the committee on domestic affairs said that control of the Berlin Document Center, a large underground archive of former Nazi records, should be returned to the federal republic soon.

''Since Germany has regained its full sovereignty, and the occupational rights (of the United States) have expired, the files of the Berlin Document Center must be returned to the authority of the federal republic,'' committee members said.

U.S. authorities said earlier that the files will not be handed over until they have been micro-filmed, guaranteeing U.S. access in the future.

Deputies reportedly said the Americans should show more sensitivity for the German desire to have access to documents concerning this period in German history.

They said the U.S. authorities in charge of the center should not be concerned that the Germans would suppress the files once they were to gain control of them.

But Elan Steinberg, executive director of the World Jewish Congress, said recently that the files should remain in U.S. hands because ''we paid for it the hard way, with the blood of American soldiers.''

In the final days of World War II, U.S. military forces confiscated more than 30 million files. Some, like the 11 million Nazi Party membership cards, were barely saved from destruction.

Since the end of the war, the documents have been used by historians, prosecutors and researchers in documenting Adolf Hitler's Third Reich. Center

librarians receive more than 5,000 requests a month for information.

The parliamentary committee wants the center to remain in Berlin but to come under the control of the federal archives near Bonn.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - The American military build-up in the Persian Gulf is NOT complete. Defense Secretary Cheney says that as many as 100-thousand additional U-S troops could be sent to Saudi Arabia. He gave NO timetable for such a deployment. The U-S already has more than 210- thousand ground, air and naval troops in the region. Iraq is believed to have a force of 430-thousand in Kuwait and southern Iraq. Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Colin Powell is expected to discuss troop requests with Cheney tomorrow.

According to U-S officials, the commander of the U-S Central Command, General H. Norman Schwarzkopf, has said he would need more armor and additional ground troops if he were ordered to go from a defensive to an offensive position. Asked if another 100-thousand troops could be deployed, Cheney replied- ''It's conceivable that we'll end up with that big an increase.''

Saturday midnight is the next deadline facing the federal government as Congress tries to come up with an acceptable budget plan. President Bush this morning signed his fourth temporary spending bill to keep the government in cash until then. It comes amid word of tentative agreement on key parts of a five-year, 500-BILLION-dollar deficit- reduction measure. Only a few details are said to still be under discussion.

Firefighters in Lincoln, Nebraska, are keeping all options open as they try to put out a suspected arson fire raging through a pile of between 50-thousand and 100-thousand old tires. The federal Environmental Protection Agency has been called to the scene because of concern over the thick, black smoke drifting over northwest Lincoln. Officials are watching the weather. They say they may be forced to evacuate nearby homes if winds start blowing the acrid rubber smoke toward residential areas.

Senator John Danforth says more than 500 lives will be saved each year and 26-hundred injuries pervented because of new federal regulations requiring automakers to provide better protection against side-impact crashes. The Missouri Republican says the new law... which takes effect with the 1994 model year... sets new standards for side- door strength. The added protection will add about 50 dollars to the price of a new car.

There are reports of progress in efforts to free 12 Western hostages in Lebanon. They come from top Lebanese government officials who are working to end the role that various militias have in controlling sections of Beirut. Syria and Iran reportedly are involved in whatever discussions are occurring.

There are six American captives in Lebanon, along with three Britons, two Germans and one Italian.

The statistics are shocking. A government report says more than one-half-Million children are selling themselves as prostitutes in Brazil, mostly on street corners and discos in Rio and Sao Paulo. A report by the Ministry of Social Action calls Brazil's prostitution problem the worst in South America. That half-Milliion figure means one in every 300 people in Brazil is a child prostitute between the ages of 11 and 17.

Three clay figurines at a Dallas City Hall art exhibit next to the Office of Vital Statistics apparently were too hot for Texas, and officials have ordered the nude statues almost completely covered with fake leaves. The sculptor, Lubbock, Texas, artist Future Akins, calls the action both silly and sad.

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OTTAWA (OCT. 25) UPI - Banks and other financial institutions that fail to alert authorities to large money transactions would be subject to penalties under legislation proposed Thursday by the federal government to combat money laundering.

The proposed legislation provides for fines of up to $500,000 or five years imprisonment for those who fail to keep the appropriate records. Large cash transactions were defined as $10,000 or more.

The legislation, which must be approved by Canada's Parliament before it is implemented, orders financial institutions, currency exchange dealers, investment counsellors and insurance companies to keep records of various large cash transactions for at least five years.

"The bill calls for significant penalties and this represents a clear signal to the public, financial institutions and the courts that this is a serious issue," Gilles Loiselle, junior minister of finance, said in a prepared statement.

Loiselle said the government considered money laundering legislation already enacted by other countries and recommendations by a special task force of the Group of Seven leading industrialized nations during its economic summit in Houston earlier this year.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 25) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.64	2.64 1/4	2.62 3/4	2.63 3/4	2.64 3/4
Mar	2.79	2.79	2.76 1/2	2.77 3/4	2.79
May	2.84 1/2	2.84 3/4	2.83 1/2	2.84 1/4	2.86 3/4
Jly	2.89 1/2	2.89 1/2	2.87 1/4	2.87 3/4	2.90 1/2
Sep	2.92	2.92	2.92	2.92	2.93 3/4
Dec	3.02 1/2	3.02 1/2	3.02 1/2	3.02 1/2	3.05
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.32	2.32	2.30 1/4	2.30 1/2	2.33
Mar	2.41	2.41 1/4	2.39 1/2	2.39 3/4	2.42 1/4
May	2.47 1/2	2.47 1/2	2.45 3/4	2.45 3/4	2.48 1/2
Jly	2.51 3/4	2.52	2.50	2.50 1/4	2.52 3/4
Sep	2.50 1/4	2.50 1/2	2.49 1/2	2.49 1/2	2.51 1/4
Dec	2.50 3/4	2.51	2.50	2.50 1/4	2.52
Mar	2.57	2.57	2.56 1/4	2.56 1/4	2.58 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.23 1/2	1.24	1.23	1.23 3/4	1.24 1/4
Mar	1.33 1/2	1.34	1.33	1.33 3/4	1.34 1/4
May	1.41	1.41	1.40 1/2	1.40 1/2	1.41 1/4
Jly	1.46	1.46 1/4	1.46	1.46 1/4	1.47
Sep	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.52 3/4
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	6.08 1/2	6.09 1/2	6.05	6.05 1/2	6.10 3/4
Jan	6.25	6.25 1/2	6.21	6.21 1/2	6.26 1/2
Mar	6.39	6.39 1/2	6.35 1/2	6.36	6.40 1/2
May	6.50	6.52	6.48	6.48 1/2	6.52 3/4
Jly	6.61	6.62	6.59	6.59 1/4	6.62 1/4
Aug	6.59 1/2	6.61 1/2	6.58	6.58 1/4	6.61 1/2
Sep	6.35	6.36 1/2	6.33 1/2	6.33 1/2	6.34
Nov	6.25	6.25 3/4	6.23 1/4	6.24 1/4	6.25 1/4
Jan	6.37	6.37	6.37	6.37	6.37
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Dec	22.20	22.45	22.13	22.16	22.24
Jan	22.45	22.72	22.41	22.45	22.53
Mar	22.90	23.18	22.86	22.86	22.98
May	23.28	23.50	23.25	23.28	23.35
Jul	23.48	23.68	23.40	23.44	23.55
Aug	23.50	23.60	23.40	23.40	23.50
Sep	23.40	23.45	23.25	23.28	23.40
Oct	23.05	23.10	....	23.07	23.19
Dec	23.00	23.00	22.85	22.85	23.05
Jan	22.95	....	22.85	22.90	22.95

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	184.00	184.00	182.60	182.80	184.30
Jan	186.20	186.20	184.70	184.90	186.60
Mar	189.20	189.40	188.50	188.50	189.80
May	191.20	191.20	189.50	189.60	191.20
Jul	192.10	192.30	191.30	191.40	193.00
Aug	192.00	192.50	191.50	191.70	192.50
Sep	190.00	190.00	187.70	188.00	189.10
Oct	185.50	186.00	....	185.70	186.50
Dec	186.80	187.00	186.30	186.60	187.00

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MOSCOW (OCT. 25) UPI - The Moldavian government sent police to its southern region and its Parliament met in emergency session Thursday amid threats of violence over efforts by a small ethnic group to establish its own republic.

The Gagauzi, a Turkic people who make up just 3.5 percent of Moldavia's population of 4.2 million, held unsanctioned elections to form a legislature in the region of southern Moldavia where most of them live.

A convoy of 150 buses left Kishinev with thousands of ethnic Moldavian vigilantes angry over the defiant step by the Gagauzi, who declared the establishment of their own republic earlier this year in a move the Moldavian Parliament branded illegal, the independent Interfax news service said.

''The situation in the republic is threatening to go out of control in view of the Moldavian population's strongly negative attitude to the actions of the Gagauzi and attempts by the Moldavian Popular Front to organize teams of volunteers to prevent elections,'' the official Tass news agency said.

Hundreds of young Moldavians demonstrated in Kishinev Wednesday night, shouting, ''Moldavians to arms,'' and other slogans, the official government newspaper Izvestia said.

In an address on republican radio, Moldavian President Mircha Snegur said he had several telephone conversations with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, who he said urged a political solution to the crisis, Interfax said.

Snegur led a group of deputies who went to the embattled region after the emergency Parliament session, it said.

''The situation in southern Moldavia has sharply deteriorated following the decision by the Provisional Committee of the Gagauz Republic to hold elections to a Supreme Soviet (legislature),'' Tass said.

''This morning large militia reinforcements arrived on the borders of this new

republic, which the Moldavian Parliament has declared anti- constitutional, while dozens of buses with Moldavian volunteers are heading there from Kishinev,'' Tass said.

Stepan Topal, head of the Gagauz provisional committee, told Tass that Gagauzi in the regional capital of Komrat were terrified by the threats of violence.

Police sealed off all roads into the southern area wedged between the giant Ukraine republic and Romania, the neighboring country from which dictator Josef Stalin carved most of Moldavia in 1940.

Gagauzi, who speak their own language, number just 173,000 in the entire Soviet Union, with 138,000 in Moldavia, 27,000 in the Ukraine and the others scattered throughout the rest of the country.

Moldavians, who speak Romanian and retain strong cultural ties with their native land, make up nearly two-thirds of the Soviet republic's people. About one-quarter of the population is split between Ukrainians and Russians, with Gagauzi and other ethnic groups having much smaller numbers.

The Moldavian Parliament considered imposing a state of emergency in the Gagauzi-dominated southern area or negotiating with leaders of the ethnic group. It adjourned without making a decision and was to meet again Friday morning.

The Gagauzi activists were prepared to go to Kishinev for negotiations but feared they would be arrested upon arrival, Izvestia said.

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LAGOS, NIGERIA (OCT. 25) UPI - Liberian rebels have trained anti-aircraft fire on Nigerian fighters staging missions over the West African nation, and two have been damaged, senior military and civilian sources said Thursday.

The sources said two French-supplied Alpha jets were forced to return to base after being hit by fire from rebels loyal to guerrilla leader Charles Taylor, whose fighters have been expelled from the Liberian capital of Monrovia by West African peacekeeping troops.

They said the jets belonged to a squadron that early this week attacked a rebel convoy of armored cars, anti-aircraft guns and supply trucks as it moved north from the port of Buchanan to Gbanga town.

Officials said the Nigerian Air Force has deployed five Alphas and five British-made Jaguar jets in Freetown, Sierra Leone.

The ability of the rebels to inflict damage on the Nigerian aircraft, probably

with American weaponry captured from the toppled government of the late President Samuel Doe, has alarmed many observers who consider air control of the five-nation West African intervention force as crucial.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Gold futures closed Thursday 230 to 240 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	374.50	375.80	374.10	375.80	373.50
Nov	374.30	....	....	376.10	373.80
Dec	376.30	379.40	376.10	378.30	376.00
Feb	381.00	383.50	380.40	382.50	380.10
Apr	384.20	387.00	384.20	386.20	383.80
Jun	388.80	390.20	388.80	390.20	387.80
Aug	392.20	....	....	394.10	391.70
Oct	396.20	....	....	398.10	395.70
Dec	400.80	402.50	400.50	402.20	399.80
Feb	403.80	....	....	406.70	404.30
Apr	409.60	410.90	409.60	410.90	408.50
Jun	416.00	416.00	415.40	415.40	413.00
Aug	418.30	....	....	420.20	417.80

Open interest: 112,822 up 388.

Estimated sales: 34,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - A former Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. bond salesman said Thursday Michael Milken urged him to purchase Caesars World Inc. bonds from Drexel clients even though the securities were apparently on the firm's "restricted" list.

The bond salesman, James Dahl, said that shortly after he made the trades, Drexel became the underwriter of an offer to exchange Caesars World bonds for equity in the gaming company, sharply increasing the value of the securities.

Dahl's testimony came in the eighth day of a presentencing hearing in U.S. District Court for Milken, the former head of Drexel's junk-bond department. Milken, convicted in April of six counts of insider trading, faces a maximum jail term of 28 years.

The government contends Milken engaged in insider trading when he encouraged Dahl and other Drexel salesman to buy Caesars World bonds in July 1983 knowing that the pending exchange offer would boost the price of the securities.

Dahl said that Milken repeatedly asked him and other Drexel traders to press Drexel customers to sell their holdings of Caesars World bonds several days before the exchange offer was announced. Dahl said he was forced to cancel one such trade after the customer complained that Drexel had failed to disclose its role in the exchange offer.

But under cross-examination by Milken's lawyer, Arthur Liman, Dahl said that it was out of character for Milken to encourage trades that were contrary to the interests of Drexel's clients. "It would have been a big mistake," the bond salesman remarked.

Dahl also testified that Milken told him that Columbia Savings & Loan Association, a major Drexel client, had agreed to hold the Caesars World bonds for Drexel's benefit. The government contends that agreement constituted illegal "parking" of securities.

Dahl also said that shortly after it was announced that Ivan Boesky - the convicted Wall Street arbritageur turned government informant who implicated Milken in insider-trading activities - reached an agreement with the government in November 1986, Milken asked the Drexel salesman to follow him into the bathroom off the firm's trading floor. "Mike said, 'There haven't been any supboenas issued yet. Whatever you have to do, do it,"' Dahl testified.

The testimony appeared to support prosecutors' claims that Milken obstructed justice by attempting to destroy or conceal evidence related to the government's investigation of Drexel.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold			
London			
Previous close fix	371.50	off	0.50
Morning fixing	373.90	up	2.40
Afternoon fixing	375.05	up	3.55
Close	375.25	up	3.75
Paris	376.30	up	2.79
Zurich	376.00	up	6.00
Hong Kong	373.65	up	2.00
New York			
Comex spot close	375.80	up	2.30
Republic cash	376.25	up	2.50
Handy and Harman	375.05	up	3.95

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 376.34 up 3.96 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 395.16 up 4.16 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.204	off 0.019
Republic cash	4.23	off 0.015

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.225 per fine ounce unchanged.

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.26 up 0.015 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.558 up 0.016

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 425.00 unchanged per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 525.00 unchanged.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 96.00 up 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 111.00 up 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said Thursday up to 100,000 more U.S. troops could be sent to Saudi Arabia, a major increase that is widely seen as a decision to switch from a defensive to an offensive force.

More than 210,000 U.S. ground, air and naval forces already are in Saudi Arabia and the surrounding region, facing a heavily fortified Iraqi force of 430,000 in Kuwait and southern Iraq, defense officials said.

A 50 percent increase in U.S. troop levels in the Middle East would result in a force equal to the size of the American military presence in Western Europe, and begin to mirror the massive military buildup during the Vietnam War.

Cheney appeared on all four network television morning news programs Thursday and was asked on CBS's ''This Morning'' about reports that another 100,000 U.S. troops might be sent to Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield.

''It's conceivable that we'll end up with that big an increase,'' Cheney replied, adding that ''we've never set an upper ceiling'' on troop levels.

He noted that the fiscal 1991 defense authorization bill that just passed Congress stipulates that 50,000 U.S. troops must be withdrawn from Western Europe and said, ''It's very possible that some of those units would be rotated through Saudi Arabia before they came back home.''

The reports of plans to dramatically increase troop strength came after Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, visited Saudi Arabia Monday and Tuesday to discuss force levels with U.S. officers there.

The commander of the U.S. Central Command in Saudi Arabia, Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, is believed to have asked Powell for three more armored or mechanized divisions to enable him to dislodge the Iraqis from Kuwait.

''General Schwarzkopf over there says that if we want to go from a defensive posture to an offensive posture, that we need another 100,000 troops there. Is that the criteria here?'' Cheney was asked by CBS co- host Harry Smith.

''I wouldn't overemphasize that,'' Cheney said. ''I think the better way to put it is, the mission is today still as it's always been. It's to deter further aggression, to defend Saudi Arabia, enforce the sanctions.''

Cheney said that while the Bush administration hasn't ruled out the option of launching an attack, ''I wouldn't want to specifically identify a specific troop level with a particular option.''

Powell is expected to meet with Cheney early next week.

The defense secretary was also asked about a comment by Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., that the United States is heading toward a conflict with Iraq.

''I wouldn't make that kind of a judgment at this point,'' Cheney replied. ''I think that's a possibility. We haven't ruled out any option.''

Later, Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams told reporters there was no single decision in the past few days to send more U.S. troops despite Powell's trip, but rather a ''continuing series of decisions'' made over many weeks.

Williams said he does not know why Schwarzkopf ''wants the deployment to continue - (but) he does.''

He also tried to steer reporters away from the observation that the increased troop strength reflects a movement to an offensive force, though Cheney and other U.S. officials have said the size of U.S. forces there now can successfully defend Saudi Arabia.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 23 to 27 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.70	9.72	9.53	9.60	9.83
May	9.72	9.73	9.57	9.61	9.84
Jly	9.73	9.74	9.56	9.58	9.83
Oct	9.73	9.75	9.60	9.61	9.88
Mar	....	....	....	9.71	9.98

Estimated sales: 9,654 contracts
Open interest: 109,619 off 319
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.66

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday unchanged to 2 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.13	23.13	23.12	23.12	23.14
Mar	23.14	23.14	23.12	23.13	23.14
May	23.25	23.25	23.24	23.24	23.25
Jly	23.25	23.25	23.24	23.25	23.25
Sep	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.20
Nov	22.98	22.98	22.98	22.98	22.98
Jan	....	....	....	23.03	23.03

Estimated sales: 344 contracts
Open interest: 10,872 up 110

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VIENNA (OCT. 25) UPI - The first all-European parliamentary conference on the environment ended Thursday with calls for greater cooperation between East and West in cleaning up the continent's most ecologically blighted regions.

The unprecedented three-day conference in the Austrian capital brought together representatives of the 23-nation Council of Europe as well as Yugoslavia and the six Warsaw Pact states.

In a closing declaration, the delegates called for the creation of a pan-European environmental agency that would set uniform standards for pollution control and would monitor compliance.

The document also urged the establishment of a European fund that would help finance pollution-fighting efforts and the clean-up of the most severely affected areas.

Most of the money would be earmarked for Eastern Europe, where years of mismanagement and neglect by the former communist governments have created an ''environmental catastrophe,'' according to Ander Bjoerk, president of the Council of Europe's Parliamentary Assembly.

Legislators attending the conference also called for the creation of a nature preserve in the former ''no man's land'' along the Iron Curtain, which once separated Soviet bloc countries from Western Europe. They also proposed the establishment of international committees, modeled after the Rhein Commission, to monitor ecological problems of international waterways such as the Danube, Elbe and Oder rivers.

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#90298u1276 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Assets of the nation's 519 money market mutual funds fell $673.1 million to $414.44 billion in the week ended Wednesday, the Investment Company Institute reported Thursday.

The Washington-based institute said broker-dealer fund assets decreased $205.3 million to $165.20 billion, assets of general purpose funds decreased $478.3 million to $146.30 billion, and institutional fund assets rose $10.5 million to $102.94 billion.

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.45 percent, up from 7.44 the previous week, and 30-day simple yields were unchanged at 7.46 percent. The average maturity of fund portfolios rose to 46 days from 45.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.86 percent, unchanged; Super-Now accounts, 4.94 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.46 percent, down from 7.47 percent; 1-year CDs, 7.55 percent, down from 7.57 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.66 percent, up from 7.65 percent; and five-year CDs 7.79 percent, down from 7.80 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.20 percent, off from 8.25 percent the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.76 percent from 9.80 percent, while the average rate for a 30- year, fixed-rate mortgage eased to 10.09 percent from 10.12 percent.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan fell to 12.11 percent from 12.13 percent last week.

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#90298u1290 10/25/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - More than three-quarters of American workers do not feel their jobs are secure, a survey said Thursday.

The survey of 11,128 employees by Brooks International, a management consulting firm, found 55 percent disagreed with the statement, "We're all fairly sure our jobs will be here for years to come," and another 21 percent were uncertain.

Only 24 percent expressed confidence in the future of their jobs. The survey also found only 36 percent of respondents have confidence in upper management, while 35 percent do not and 29 percent are uncertain.

The survey, conducted between January and November 1989, covered 12 major companies in heavy process manufacturing, food processing, transportation, insurance, telecommunications, and utilities.

Brooks executive vice president Richard Kristiansen said in a statement, "Employees at all levels, including middle managers, see upper management behaving with an almost exclusively short-term focus. Downsizing to meet the next quarterly earnings target erodes employee confidence that management has made long-term commitments to achieving competitive advantage."

"Add to this the fact that that less than one third of our survey respondents feel that the various departments in their organizations work together to achieve common goals, and it is little wonder that employees feel insecure about the leadership they are provided. It is clear that management action holds the key to defusing such performance-distracting uncertainty."

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#90298u1333 10/25/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 25) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $11 to $13 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.70 cent to 1.00 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.55 cent higher to 1.05 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.39 cent higher to 0.13 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.30 to $2.40 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $6.60 to $8.00 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.15 cent to 2.80 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 1.9 to 2 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.023 to 0.027 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90298u1338 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - British scientists may have found the location of the genetic abnormality that causes the bizarre brain disorder Tourette syndrome, it was reported Thursday.

Researchers at the University College and Middlesex School of Medicine in London studied the genes of 74 members of a family in which the disorder or a less severe related condition - chronic multiple tic syndrome - affected 46 of 122 members.

By tracing certain abnormalities in the genetic material, the researchers found evidence the defect that causes the syndromes may be located on the so-called short arm of chromosome 3. A follow-up study of five smaller families supported the findings, the researchers reported in the British medical journal The Lancet.

The scientists cautioned that the findings were ''provisional'' and had to be followed by more research to confirm and explore the results.

''This provides a little further support for the hypothesis that a (gene) situated in this region may confer liability to the Tourette and chronic multiple tic syndromes,'' the researchers wrote.

Between 25,000 and 30,000 Americans suffer from Tourette syndrome. The brain disorder causes victims to have uncontrolled body movements, such as blinking their eyes and shrugging their shoulders, and make involuntary noises, such as barking, grunting, coughing and inappropriate outbursts of obscenities.

Dr. Thomas Hyde of the National Institute of Mental Health in Washington said the results were ''exciting'' and ''interesting'' but agreed they needed to be confirmed by additional research.

Previous research indicating the abnormality may be located elsewhere was unable to be verified, he said.

''It sounds promising but needs independent replication by another laboratory

'' Hyde said.

The disease appears to be inherited, with victims often having children who develop the disorder. But the exact cause is unknown and scientists have been unable to locate the exact genetic defect responsible.

The symptoms can be controlled with drugs that block the brain chemical dopamine, but there is no cure.

If they can find the genetic abnormality that causes the syndrome and determine the biologic result, scientists may be able to understand more about the disorder and develop better treatments, Hyde said.

''Once you identify where the abnormal gene is, then you can identify what the gene is doing,'' he said.

Every individual is born with 23 pairs of chromosomes that carry between 50,000 and 100,000 genes, which hold instructions for everything about a person, ranging from their eye color to whether they are prone to cancer.

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#90298u1341 10/25/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 25) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in light trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Lower in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Dollar - Higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1 3/4 to 2 3/4, soybeans unchanged to down 5 1/4, wheat off 1 to 2 3/4 and oats down 1/2 to 3/4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90298u1358 10/25/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - The White House cudgels were out Thursday for Republican congressional adviser Edward Rollins, who told GOP candidates not to hesitate to distance themselves from President Bush on touchy budget positions.

For the second day in a row, press secretary Marlin Fitzwter, responding to questions, repudiated a memo by Rollins, co-chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee who advised GOP candidates:

''Do not hesitate to oppose either the president or proposals being advanced in Congress.''

During a picture-taking session in the Rose Garden with Republican leaders in a show of solidarity as Congress moved toward a budget agreement, Bush was asked if he wanted Rollins fired. He appeared to nod, but shied away from commenting.

Fitzwater, who described Rollins' remarks as ''injudicious'' on Wednesday, followed up Thursday by telling reporters: ''We were less than enthusiastic about his comments. That is probably the understatement of the year. It was not helpful.''

He said that Rollins' tenure was up to the committee. ''Ed Rollins works for the Republican Campaign Committee,'' said Fitzwater. ''Obviously we're not happy with his comments.''

John Roberts, a committee spokesman, said the panel had no sense that Bush wanted Rollins to leave. ''We know Fitzwater was asked the question, but as far as we know there isn't any basis to it,'' he said, referring to questions on whether Rollins would be asked to bow out.

''So it's simply business as usual here, 11 days until the election,'' he explained.

Rollins was President Ronald Reagan's political adviser at one time.

His memo was addressed to all Republican members of Congress. He said he had prepared the advisory to indicate the dramatic shift in the mood of the country to pessimism.

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#90298u1368 10/25/1990 ~United Press International
ORLANDO, FL (OCT. 25) UPI - A Continental jetliner blew a tire on takeoff Thursday and was diverted to Orlando International Airport but made a safe landing, the airline reported.

''It was a perfectly uneventful landing,'' said Art Kent, a Continental spokesman in Houston, company headquarters.

Flight 358, a Boeing 737, took off from Southwest Florida Regional Airport at Fort Myers at about 12:45 p.m., carrying 79 passengers and a crew of seven bound for Newark, N.J.

''He blew one tire on takeoff,'' Kent said.

The tire was one of two on the right landing gear, said Jack Barker with the Federal Aviation Administration in Atlanta.

The plane was immediately diverted to Orlando and circled there for about 30 minutes while technicians examined the remains of the tire left in Fort Myers, Kent said.

''They checked the tire that fell after he took off, determined that there would be no damage to the axle of the landing gear, and he landed, '' Kent said.

Barker said the Federal Aviation Administration and National Transportation Safety Board would investigate.

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#90298u1370 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 25) UPI - At least five people were killed and several others wounded in the troubled black township of Khayelitsha outside Cape Town Thursday in a second day of clashes between residents and police, state-run television reported.

Opposition member of Parliament Jan van Eck of the Democratic Party put the death toll at seven since the violence erupted, with another 45 injured, including five seriously, and accused police of ''shocking behavior'' in dealing with the situation.

Van Eck said police resorted to ''totally indiscriminate shooting'' in a bid to restore order.

Violence erupted in the sprawling black settlement in the Cape Flats outside the southern city Wednesday when rioters set fire to vehicles, erected barricades in township roads and attacked the local municipal offices.

Witnesses said followers of the African National Congress, which has demanded the dismantling of the local black municipal councils, have attacked the home of councilors and also clashed with their supporters.

Police Thursday opened fire with birdshot, rubber bullets and tear gas to disperse demonstrators marching through the streets. At least one of the five people killed Thursday died in the police fire, the South African Broadcasting Corp. said.

It was not immediately known how the other four died.

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#90298u1375 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

DUMFRIES, SCOTLAND (OCT. 25) UPI - A former Heathrow Airport security officer said Thursday he had been placed on special alert to clear a Pan Am flight that left seven hours before flight 103, the Boeing 747 that contained a radio cassette bomb which caused the deaths of 270 people.

The statements by Harjot Parmar, 37, at a Scottish judicial inquiry into the Dec. 21, 1988 disaster indicated that authorities had received a tip about a possible extremist action, but had directed it toward the wrong aircraft.

Parmar said he was informed there was an ''extra alert'' on Pan Am Flight 101 that departed from Heathrow for New York's John F. Kennedy Airport at 11 a.m.

This was seven hours before the departure time for Flight 103, which blew up at 7.03 p.m. over the Scottish town of Lockerbie, killing all 259 people aboard and 11 others on the ground.

Middle Eastern terrorists have been blamed for the bombing.

Parmar was employed by a private firm, Alert Security, and on the day was working at Heathrow's inter-line luggage shed, where he X-rayed baggage which was being transferred to Pan Am flights from other airlines.

Parmar remembered his supervisor, Michael Sullivan, telling him to check inter-line baggage for PA 101 very carefully for ''anything suspicious.'' He was not told why, he said.

''I looked for any suspicious thing... any explosive thing,'' he said, explaining that he had been briefed to check for guns, ammunition and explosives.

Asked if he knew why the special request had been made by his supervisor, Parmar replied: ''He just said there was an extra alert on 101.''

Parmar was asked by Colin Campbell, a lawyer representing the relatives of British victims, what would happen if a piece of baggage destined for PA 103 had arrived in the inter-luggage shed earlier than scheduled.

The security officer replied that it would have been X-rayed and a security

sticker attached. Then it would have been placed near the X-ray machine.

''Have you ever known of a bag in these circumstances being loaded on 101 rather than flight 103?'' Campbell asked.

''I don't understand... I don't know,'' Parmar said. ''It would depend on Pan Am staff.''

Parmer also denied that the security staff were specifically looking for radio cassette players on that date, but said between three and five pieces of luggage destined for PA 103 had been put in a container and taken away for closer inspection.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.84

60 to 89 days 7.78

90 to 119 days 7.78

120 to 149 days 7.71

150 to 179 days 7.67

180 to 270 days 7.61

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.00 - 7.79

Issuers 30 days 7.91

Issuers 90 days 7.85

Issuers 270 days 7.51

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.99

60 to 89 days 7.99

90 to 119 days 8.04

120 to 149 days 8.02

150 to 179 days 8.01

180 days 8.01

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

1 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

3 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

6 month 8.00 - 8.125

Year 8.00 - 8.125

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.20 - 7.18

6 months 7.16 - 7.14

Year 7.02 - 7.00

Federal Funds: High 8, Low 7 7/8, Close 8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7.778 up 0.008.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

#90298u1408 10/25/1990 ~United Press International
PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (OCT. 25) UPI - Czechoslovakia will go ahead with plans to privatize 100,000 state-owned shops and small businesses under a new law approved by Parliament Thursday.

The law is designed to set Czechoslovakia on the road to a market economy by breaking the monopoly structure of state enterprises.

The full extent of businesses to be covered by the privatization has not yet been settled but it will include shops, hotels and small enterprises of all sorts, including wholesale operations.

Businesses are expected to be sold for a fraction of their value as the government tries to build a viable private sector.

The shops to be auctioned off are worth an estimated $6.7 billion in Czechoslovak currency. Bidders are expected to get them for $1 billion.

Finance Ministry officials say they have no idea how many people will be able to put in bids. Czechoslovakia's total known savings is 200 billion crowns, or about $6.7 billion.

There are about 50,000 crown millionaires in Czechoslovakia, and the supply of businesses is expected to far outstrip demand.

Economists are concerned that if too much of the money is put directly into circulation it could send inflation spiraling.

Under the law, which takes effect December 1, 1990, small shops and businesses will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder. Purchasers will have 30 days to pay up.

The measure eliminates previous proposals to let purchasers pay in installments, the official Czechoslovak news agency CTK reported.

Milos Zeman, chairman of Parliament's budget committee, said that with so many cash-poor people in Czechoslovakia, it will be hard to build a solid business class if the shops are sold cash on the barrel. Zeman had proposed requiring a 25 percent downpayment, and three years to pay up the balance with interest.

To prevent black marketeers and others from using the privatization to launder hoards of illegally earned cash, bidders will have to show their 1990 income tax returns, the newspaper Lidove Noviny reported.

Foreigners also will be able to bid for businesses but they must do so through a Czechoslovak partner. After the auctions, many businesses are expected to look for foreign partners.

But foreign firms should be wary. Czechoslovakia is presently overhauling its commercial laws, and it is not yet clear how foreigners could protect their investments.

Some restrictions will apply. Bidders must purchase a shop's current stock of supplies, and most food shops will have to continue to sell basic food items such as bread, milk and butter for at least one year.

Finance Ministry spokesman Miroslav Zamecnik explained that this was to ensure a minimum level of essential services was maintained, but he said this would not prevent shops from developing into other branches.

The bill's passage is bound to create some resentment. In recent weeks, shopworkers staged walkouts, unsuccessfully demanding the right of a first bid to buy their shops.

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#90298u1413 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - The judge in the second Central Park jogger rape trial refused Thursday to let one of the two defendants replace his white attorney with a black activist lawyer.

Justice Thomas Galligan turned down the request of Kevin Richardson, 16, saying he would not delay the trial by replacing attorney Howard Diller with C. Vernon Mason.

''As far as the court is concerned, you are the attroney for the defendant and you will continue as attorney for the defendant,'' Galligan told Diller.

Diller told the judge that Richardson's family is refusing to cooperate with him to help in the youth's defense.

''It would be unfair to this defendant to proceed further in the trial because of the family's refusal to cooperate because they have another attorney,'' he argued.

Richardson's mother, Grace Cussee, broke down in tears outside the courtroom when she learned of the judge's refusal to replace Diller, whom she fired because she was not pleased with his defense.

Her daughter, Angela Cussee, told reporters: ''We don't have anything to say except that C. Vernon Mason is our lawyer and Howard Diller is not.''

Meanwhile the trial continued in State Supreme Court, Manhattan, with testimony from Det. Eric Reynolds, one of the arresting officers on the night of the April 1989 when a group of young men went ''wilding'' in Central Park

and raped a woman stockbroker who was jogging there.

If Mason had been allowed to step into the case to replace Diller, the defense team would have been made up of two lawyers who are under investigation by legal disciplinary committees.

The committee in the First Department of State Supreme Court in Manhattan is investigating Mason's role as an advisor to Tawana Brawley. The black teenager claimed she was raped by six white men, but a state grand jury later determined her story was a hoax.

The committee in the Second Department of State Supreme Court in Brooklyn is looking into the actions of the lawyer for Richardson's co- defendant, Kharey Wise, 18.

The attorney, Colin Moore, is being investigated for his role in the black boycott of a Korean grocery. He is accused of knowing for months that his client had identified the wrong man as her assailant but witholding the information.

The prosecution plans to oppose the change in lawyers, possibly arguing that Mason has a conflict of interest because he is handling the appeal of another youth convicted in the gang rape, Antron McCray, 16, said Colleen Roche, a spokeswoman for Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau.

In their videotaped confessions, McCray implicates Richardson in the rape and Richardson implicates McCray.

Altogether, six youths were indicted in the ''wilding'' rampage. Three of them were convicted last summer of raping and beating the woman jogger and assaulting two male joggers. The three - McCray, Yusef Salaam, 16, and Raymond Santana, 16 - were sentenced to 5 to 10 years in a juvenile jail.

The final youth, Steve Lopez, 16, is slated to be tried alone next year.

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#90298u1419 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

DEARBORN, MI (OCT. 25) UPI - Ford Motor Co. said Thursday it is lowering prices on nearly 200 crash repair parts, in an effort to combat the widespread use of what it claims are inferior parts backed by CAPA - the Certified Automotive Parts Association - and insurance companies.

The nation's No. 2 carmaker said that effective Dec. 1, it will drop prices an average of 14 percent on those parts, "allowing collision repairers to regain access to the high-quality genuine parts they prefer.

"As repairers know very well, insurance companies buy most crash parts and

they are specifying more CAPA parts simply because of lower list prices," said Kenneth W. Myers, manager of Ford Parts and Service Division.

Myers said the lower prices "eliminate price as a roadblock" to using Ford-approved parts to repair collision damage. "Our list prices will be equivalent and repairers will be free to use the genuine parts they prefer," he said.

The price cuts follow preliminary tests issued by Ford that show certain CAPA-certified parts still fail to meet basic quality standards, despite insurance industry assurances that the parts are of equivalent quality. Ford maintains the CAPA-certified parts tested by Ford are substandard in fit, finish, structural integrity and corrosion protection.

"There were gross deficiencies everywhere we looked," Myers said, adding that CAPA-approved parts took longer to install, had fewer welds that reduce safety and were not made of galvanized steel to provide better corrosion protection. CAPA, headqartered in Washington D.C., could not be immediately reached for comment.

Ford has also been concerned about the increased use of non-factory approved parts, which in turn has eroded its own business. "It is a trend we have been watching," said company spokeswoman Anne Doyle-Farrell. "This is also clearly an action to protect our own business. "But we are also concerned about the quality of repairs and how others could get a perception of poor quality on Ford vehicles," she said.

The right of repairers to substitute genuine parts for specified imitations has been acknowledged in recent months by major insurers, Ford said. While the lower prices may thin profit margins at Ford's dealers or repair centers, they will pay off in the long run, Myers said.

"For example, collision repairers are now forced to accept low-quality parts that take longer to install, which further eats into their profits," Myers explained.

"We have no intention of simply surrendering the competitive crash parts market because barriers have been erected to discourage the use of genuine crash parts," he said.

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#90298u1421 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 25) UPI - The United States now has more than 210-thousand ground, air and naval forces in the Persian Gulf area, and Defense Secretary Dick Cheney says the number could go up by another 100-thosuand. That would be close to what military leaders are believed to feel is necessary to launch an attack against Iraq. General Colin Powell, head of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, is just

back from a trip to Saudi Arabia. He has a meeting with Cheney tomorrow.

All of this comes as France denies reports from unnamed sources that President Francois Mitterrand believes war is inevitable because of the unbending stand taken by Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. The reports are carried in two publications, but the Paris government denies that Mitterrand ever made such a statement.

With a budget agreement expected, President Bush today signed a spending extension to keep the federal government working though Saturday. This is the fourth emergency spending measure since the start of the fiscal year on October 1st. Budget chief Richard Darman says White House and congressional negotiators have reached basic agreement on a budget... with only details left to resolve.

The 12 Western hostages still in Lebanon have been virtually forgotten since Iraq invaded Kuwait in August. But a Cabinet-level Lebanese official is reporting progress in talks to resolve the plight of the six Americans, three Britons, two Germans and one Italian. Lebanon's agriculture minister- a Shiite Moslem close to Syria- says the release of the hostages has been delayed but could come ''very soon.''

Bitter labor problems at the New York Daily News escalated into violence today. About 200 workers at a Brooklyn printing plant walked off the job in a dispute over a fired employee. Scores of workers screaming insults and armed with rocks and sticks then attacked a bus carrying NON-union workers into the plant, flattening its tires. Others set fire to parked delivery trucks.

The Daily News called the job action a strike and is hiring permanent replacement workers. Officials of the Newspaper and Mail Delivers Union say its workers are locked out. Police arrested two people, and one worker suffered a heart attack during the melee. The union has been without a contract since March 31st.

Rebels in the Philippines kidnapped six Filipino engineers and murdered their driver in an effort to stop construction of a hydro- electric dam. Police say the engineers were on their way to inspect a dam 500 miles south of Manila when they were forced into the mountains by Moslem independence fighters. The guerrillas and local residents say the dam will flood tribal lands and kill marine life they eat from Lake Lanao.

A resistance group led by Prince Norodom Sihanouk blames Vietnam and the current government of Cambodia for delaying settlement of what has become an 11-year-old conflict within the Southeast Asian country. There are calls for the 12-member Supreme National Council to try another meeting in Thailand. The council is supposed to represent Cambodian national sovereignty until U-N-supervised elections can be held. But it has bogged down in factional fighting over who should head the council.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	65 5-8	off	1-8
AT&T Company	33 5-8	up	1-4
BCE Inc	32	up	1-2
Bell Atlantic	50	off 1	
BellSouth Corp	51 7-8	off	1-8
Exxon Corp	47 3-4	off	3-4
Ford Motor Co	31 3-4	off	1-4
Genl Electric	51 1-8	off	3-4
General Motors	38 5-8	unch	
GTE Corp	28 3-8	off	1-8
IBM Corp	108 1-8	off	1-2
Mobil Oil Corp	58 1-8	up	7-8
Nynex Corp	70 1-4	off	3-8
Pac Gas & Elec	23 3-4	off	1-8
Pacific Telesis	44 1-2	unch	
Phila Electric	16	off	1-2
Sears Roebuck	25 3-4	up	3-8
Southern Co	26	off	1-4
Sthwestern Bell	53 1-4	off	1-4
US West Inc	37 3-8	off	1-4

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Pan American World Airways' plan to sell five London routes to UAL Corp. for $400 million came under heavy fire Thursday from both AMR Corp. and the Teamsters union, which predicted an impending bankruptcy filing at the ailing carrier.

"This is a fire sale," said William Genoese, airline division director with the union. "Pan Am should have gotten $750 million to $1 billion for these assets, which include the most valuable New York-London route and the facilities at Heathrow Airport." Heathrow is located outside London.

AMR, holding company of American Airlines, echoed the union's view that $400 million was a low pricetag for the valuable routes from five U.S. cities. American said it informed Pan Am Chairman Thomas Plaskett in a letter that it was ready to submit a higher bid for the assets on the auction block, including the London routes.

"We would welcome an opportunity to make an offer to acquire the United

Kingdom route authorities and believe, if given the opportunity thus far denied us, we would propose terms substantially better" than those of the UAL deal, American said in its letter to Plaskett.

American, however, declined to disclose a figure for its "better" terms. But Genoese said the airline could "outbid UAL by a couple hundred millions."

Genoese, comparing the $400 million deal to the $197 million American paid for TWA's Chicago-London route alone, said the Pan Am Corp. subsidiary rushed into the agreement because the financially troubled carrier is running out of cash and is facing impending bankruptcy. "No arrangements have been made to protect the workers in the UAL deal," he stressed.

Genoese said the Teamsters were contacting AMR Chairman Robert Crandall to try and get a commitment that Pan Am employees' jobs would be secure if American, the No. 1 U.S. carrier, succeeded in acquiring the European routes.

"And we have our bankruptcy lawyers look at the situation because, with the fuel crisis, Pan Am is just selling anything," Genoese said. "They have no other choice because they are running out of cash. They could file for bankruptcy at any time, they are not paying their bills."

Genoese, charging Pan Am with "gross mismanagement," said the Teamsters were currently exploring with the four other unions representing workers at Pan Am the possibility of an employee-led takeover of the troubled carrier.

Ray Naido, Dillon Read & Co.'s airline industry analyst, said if Pan Am manages to finalize the deal with UAL, parent of United Air Lines, and sells its German routes as well as its Northeast shuttle, it could remain in business through the winter months.

"They need the cash to go through their slow season," Naido said. "Otherwise, Chapter 11 is a possibility." Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code provides protection from creditors to financially troubled companies while they attempt to restructure.

Genoese, who described American as having been "outfoxed" by its rival United, said the Teamsters were protesting Pan Am's policy to divest one asset after the other.

"They are selling anything, there will be nothing left, the stockholders will have nothing left whatsoever," Genoese said, adding the union owns stock in Pan Am.

He predicted the "deal with UAL is not going to fly," because the Teamsters would attempt to block the deal at every stage of the process needed to secure regulatory approval.

"We will protest at every level. We will put together a legal team to block the regulatory approval at the Justice, Transportation and State departments and with the British government," he said. "This is irresponsible. There will be nothing left."

But Naido said Pan Am argued it would not lose so much seat capacity on European routes under the UAL deal because operations would be switched to Frankfurt. "Selling all these assets is not good on the long term. But if you need the cash to survive, what else can you do?" he said.

Naido said Pan Am explained it was taking the $400 million UAL deal because the transaction it included several cooperation agreements that would strengthen Pan Am's domestic operations.

Naido predicted that Pan Am would report a small loss in the third quarter. "It is going to be a marginal loss, but nevertheless a loss, in what is the airlines' strongest quarter," he said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - Negotiators were still struggling to complete a deal on the deficit Thursday as President Bush began a drive to put the budget mess behind him and turn the political tables on his worst domestic crisis.

With help from Republican congressional leaders at a hastily staged show of unity at the White House, Bush sought to reframe the budget debate of the last six months in terms that minimized his own string of flip-flops and setbacks.

After seeing his popularity weakened and the federal government pushed to the brink of chaos by missed deadlines and deadlock, Bush dismissed the budget as ''just one matter'' on the agenda less than two weeks before midterm elections.

Assistant House Republican leader Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., who helped widen a rift within the GOP by abandoning Bush at his last time of need, likewise said it was ''important to move beyond the immediate story of the Washington Beltway and remind people that there's a lot more at stake than one 15-minute vote.''

That line overlooked the fact that Wall Street, U.S. allies and others nervous about the state of the American economy have been waiting for months for that single 15-minute vote to provide proof of political will to cut the deficit by $500 billion over five years.

With a budget agreement near, however, Bush, stung by defeat after staking his capital on an earlier deal with the Democrats, and the Republican leaders who have stuck with him through the roller-coaster budget process seemed eager to wash their hands of the entire divisive affair.

''We said from the beginning that there are those issues from time to time on which we can't all be together and this happens to be one of those,'' House Republican leader Robert Michel, R-Ill., said on a bit of understatement.

After posing with Bush in the White House Rose Garden for a family photo designed to mask their differences, Michel and other Republican leaders expressed eagerness to take their account of the budget debacle to the voters.

In fact, many have felt compelled to run for cover in the finger- pointing over the pace, direction and apparent outcome of the budget negotiations and to break ranks with Bush as he caved in no fewer than three times on taxes.

Though all but committed to a deficit-reduction plan that will require Democratic votes to end months of stalemate, Bush complained of undue public attention on taxes, the issue on which he once exhorted Americans to read his lips and the position from which he has most retreated.

Republican fiscal policy, he asserted to reporters, has ''been masked by the inside-the-beltway attention to a very important issue, but one where the Democrats seem to have carried the play with some of you.''

Hours before a scheduled departure for California to begin a final round of campaigning for Republican candidates in the Nov. 6 elections, he claimed to have been ''bludgeoned by a bunch of demagogic attacks from the Democrats for months'' and promised to fire back in kind once freed from bipartisan collaboration on the budget.

Bush has been doing just that in recent campaign speeches, glossing over his own role in the budget talks by accusing Congress of creating the fiscal problems that in the end found some of his seemingly strongest convictions subject to change or negotiation.

As he continues doing that until Election Day, Bush risks a paradox: hammering the Democrats for a near failure of leadership in which he and members of his own party were not outside spectators but full participants.

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#90298u1470 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1050.7
Wednesday	1061.1
Week ago	1054.0
Month ago	1087.6
Year ago	1091.2
1990 High	1209.9

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#90298u1488 10/25/1990 ~United Press International
BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (OCT. 25) UPI - In a major strategic shift, NATO is developing a new ''flexible'' command structure to allow forces to be quickly moved from one command to another, a top NATO general said Thursday.

NATO had previously announced intentions to change from strictly national commands to multinational units, but the latest thinking represents an even further departure from past practice.

With smaller force levels at reduced states of readiness, NATO must be able ''to quickly shift forces to where they are needed, and if necessary, to reshift forces,'' said Gen. Vigleik Eide, chairman of NATO's Military Committee.

''You would need a very flexible system of shifting forces from one command to the other (in order to) defuse a crisis,'' Eide told reporters following a meeting of the 16 NATO military chiefs of staff.

He said the Military Committee had begun drafting strategy for a reduction in the readiness and availability of forces agreed to by NATO leaders at their historic London summit in July.

''One of the keys in the future is that with reduced forces we will need to enhance the flexibility of our forces,'' said the Norwegian army general.

He said such flexibility involves ''more than just transportation and mobility '' but must also encompass the command structure.

NATO's command has traditionally been based on national commands within an integrated structure, so each country's troops are directed by generals from that country.

The Western alliance announced last spring that it would move to multinational units, with troops from several countries under a common command. Such multinatonal units, officials said, would enhance public acceptance of continued U.S. troop presence in Europe, particularly Germany, in the post-Cold War era.

Plans to move forces from one command to another represents an even greater change from four decades of NATO doctrine.

Eide said NATO planners were studying the language difficulties inherent in any multinational command structure.

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#90298u1500 10/25/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday 39 points higher to 13 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	74.08	74.85	74.02	74.47	74.08
Mar	74.26	74.90	74.21	74.58	74.38
May	74.70	75.20	74.67	74.98	74.80
Jly	74.78	75.20	74.78	75.00	74.81
Oct	68.15	68.15	68.10	68.05	68.13
Dec	66.70	66.75	66.55	66.60	66.73
Mar	67.51	....	....	67.50	67.63

Estimated sales: 6,500 contracts
Open interest: 44,111 up 679
The World spot average: 71.19

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(OCT. 25) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 169.51 off 1.09
ASE Market Value Index 292.78 up 0.09
Dow-Jones Industrial 2484.41 off 19.80

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#90298u1513 10/25/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 9,690,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,842,284,175
Bonds - $3,500,000
1990 to date - $603,083,000

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#90298u1518 10/25/1990 ~United Press International
UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 25) UPI - Israel's new ambassador to the United Nations will take up his post Friday amid renewed tension between that country and the world organization over a U.N. request to investigate the killing of 21 Palestinians.

The new permanent representative, Yoram Aridor, will present credentials to Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar Friday, a U.N. spokesman said Thursday.

Aridor, 57, will fill up the top position at the Israeli mission to the United Nations which was left vacant for the past 2 1/2 years, The mission was headed by acting Ambassador Johanan Bein, but he is returning to Jerusalem next week, Israeli diplomats said.

The diplomats said the latest row between Israel and Perez de Cuellar's office came Thursday when Bein told the U.N. leader's senior aide on the Middle East that there is no need for a U.N. investigation on the Oct. 8 Temple Mount riots in which 21 Palestinians were killed and more than 150 Israelis and Palestinians wounded.

The senior aide, Jean-Claude Aimee, met with Bein to convey Wednesday's Security Council resolution that urged Israel to reconsider its objection to the U.N. mission, the diplomats said.

They said Bein told Aimee that Perez de Cuellar need not send the mission because he will be provided with a report carried out by an independent Israeli team. The report was commissioned by the Israeli government to probe events at the Western Wall in Jerusalem.

Israeli authorities said thousands of rock-throwing Palestinians attacked Jewish worshippers celebrating the Feast of the Tabernacle, forcing an armed intervention by the Jerusalem police.

Wednesday's resolution, which condemned Israel for refusing to cooperate with the U.N. mission, was adopted unanimously because the United States did not use its veto to protect its Israeli ally. It was the second condemnation of Israel since the Oct. 8 incidents.

Perez de Cuellar has said he will not send the mission if he does not receive the cooperation from Israel. The Security Council asked the U.N. leader to provide a report on the riots before the end of October.

The new Israeli U.N. ambassador belongs to the Herut Party. He was a member of the Knesset from 1969 to 1988, served as minister of communications in 1981, minister of finance from 1981 to 1983 and worked as a private lawyer in the past six years.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Thursday - $34,520,000

1990 to date - $9,100,960,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	292.78	up	0.09
High Technology	293.43	off	1.33
Capital Goods	314.37	off	1.80
Consumer Goods	362.86	up	0.83
Service	636.89	off	0.95
Retail	891.72	off	7.70
Financial	341.89	up	0.09
Natural Resources	223.75	up	1.13
Housing-Const-Land	247.73	up	0.68

There was no change in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	378.98	up	3.09
Mid Atlantic	383.72	up	0.08
No Central	370.24	off	3.83
So Atlantic	801.69	up	0.79
So Central	295.40	off	1.21
Mountain	109.78	up	1.17
Pacific	325.31	off	2.87
Foreign	221.50	up	1.03

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#90298u1533 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks	-	141,460,000 shares
1990 to date	-	32,833,362,282
Warrants	-	553,000
1990 to date	-	208,562,900

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CHICAGO (OCT. 25) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Thursday	-	7,771,000
1990 to date	-	2,062,859,000

The market closed lower.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 25) UPI - Industry consolidation through mergers and acquisitions remains a key strategy for major U.S. companies, but leveraged buyouts could be a thing of the past, according to a survey released Thursday by Price Waterhouse.

In addition, the accounting firm's survey of senior financial executives indicated major U.S. corporations anticipate five years of slow growth and moderate profit increases to go with industry consolidation.

Nearly 90 percent of the survey respondents indicated their companies are or will be involved in merger-and-acquisition activity in the future, Price Waterhouse Vice Chairman Thomas Donahoe said.

"A fourth of the companies report they now are involved in one or more acquisitions ... and almost half anticipate they will be pursuing purchase of other companies during the next five years. Another 15 percent either are or may be involved in a merger during that same period," Donahoe said. "It is clear that the era of industry consolidation is not yet over."

But none of the responding companies reported or anticipated involvement in a leveraged buyout - indicating these debt-financed takeovers of major corporations may have ended with the 1980s. On the other hand, "strategic alliances" - cooperation agreements between companies with complimentary strengths - appeared to be gaining favor.

"During the past five years, less than 20 percent of the major companies surveyed engaged in a strategic alliance. Now, more than 65 percent either are currently involved in an alliance or anticipate they will be in the next five years," Donahoe said. "It may be that alliances have become recognized as a viable alternative to mergers and acquisitions," he said.

Most executives that participated in the survey said they regard acquisitions, strategic alliances, customer service and quality as key strategies for competing in world markets. But fewer than half said they were looking to reduced costs, innovation or advanced technology to provide them with a competitive edge.

Donahoe said he was "disturbed to find less reliance on innovation, a traditional strength of American enterprise and one which has been a keystone of U.S. businesses' ability to build and dominate markets."

Most survey participants said improving the competitive stance of U.S. corporations in the world market will be a big job. "Most U.S. companies that were preparing for a short-term siege during the 1980s now appear resigned to a long, tough battle against well-positioned competitors that will last to the year 2000 and beyond," Donahoe said.

"They recognize that U.S. business lost ground to competitors based in Europe, Japan and even the newly industrialized countries such as South Korea during the 1980s. But they also see the United States in a better competitive position by the year 2000, with a particular improvement in our ability to compete against Japan," he said.

Most of the respondents anticipate the newly industrialized countries "will offer as much competitive challenge to the United States as Western Europe by the year 2000," Donahoe said.

Emphasizing the multinational nature of today's marketplace, nearly half of the respondents regarded Western Europe and the Pacific Basin as the regions with the best growth opportunities for U.S. companies.

About a third ranked North America as an area for expansion, while only a fourth sew Eastern Europe as an area of potential growth. Only 20 percent predicted growth for Latin America.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	84,854,144	34 1/8	off 7/8
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	63,492,052	16 5/8	up 7/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	58,999,624	30 5/8	off 1/2
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	43,452,204	64 3/4	off 5/8
Conner Prphrls	(CNNR)	39,022,660	23 1/8	off 3/8
Apple Computer	(AAPL)	38,313,024	30	off 1/2
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	28,569,418	39 1/4	off 1/2
St. Paul Cos	(STPL)	18,071,590	52	up 1 7/8
Costco Wholesale	(COST)	16,371,001	38 1/4	up 1 1/4
Medco Containmnt	(MCCS)	15,713,930	27 5/8	up 1

Composite Index 149.04 off 0.56

NMS volume 79,076,104 shares.

Advances	680
Declines	770
Unchanged	1,341
Total	2,791

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NOGALES, AR (OCT. 25) UPI - The Border Patrol seized 4,391 pounds of cocaine, the largest haul in the agency's history, after a fiery gun battle with smugglers in a caravan of about 40 horses near the Mexico border, officials said Thursday.

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration estimated the value of the cocaine at

$199.7 million.

Border Patrol agents and the smugglers exchanged gunfire before the smugglers fled into Mexico, said Jacqui Parker, a spokeswoman for the Border Patrol's Tucson office. No one was injured.

The Border Patrol's previous record cocaine seizure was 3,297 pounds found in a travel trailer near the Arizona border town of Naco in the summer of 1989.

Parker said two agents on patrol near the Mariposa Gate, a crossing for commercial trucks about one-half mile west of Nogales, encountered the caravan of about 40 horses just after 10 p.m. Wednesday.

The smugglers opened fire with high-powered rifles and the agents returned fire, Parker said.

The smugglers continued firing in an attempt to overrun the agent's position but fled, leaving the packhorses, when backup agents arrived.

The cocaine was packed in burlap sacks, each containing about 100 pounds of the drug, Parker said.

She said drug smugglers on horseback are common along the Arizona border ''because of the rugged and remote hilly terrain.''

''We've been fighting horsepack trains for years, but 40 horses at one time, we've never seen the like of that,'' Parker said.

She said the DEA would check the cocaine to determine whether it carried the markings of any organization known to authorities.

The cocaine probably was headed for Tucson or Phoenix for distribution throughout the United States, Parker said.

Immigration and Naturalization Service Western Regional Commissioner Ben Davidian said the bust points up ''the incredible dangers facing Border Patrol agents on a daily basis.''

''The officers ... showed the type of raw courage that we have come to expect from the men and women on the front line, defending our nation's borders,'' he said.

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#90298u1580 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Author Salmon Rushdie, still under sentence of death by Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini, told Mike Wallace he never meant to offend the Moslem world with his book ''The Satanic Verses,'' it was revealed Thursday.

Rushdie, 43, was interviewed by Wallace for the CBS News magazine ''60 Minutes'' in a program to air Sunday Oct. 28. He said to those who want to kill him, despite the subsequent death of Khomeini:

''I am not this kind of creature with horns and a tail that I've been painted.''

The Indian-born author lives in hiding in London under guard by Scotland Yard's Special Branch. A CBS spokesman said he was brought to a secret location at a police facility outside the city to meet Wallace and the ''60 Minutes'' crew. It his first American television interview since he went underground nearly two years ago.

On Feb. 14, 1989, Khomeini urged Moslems throughout the world to execute Rushdie and an aide said the next day that Khomeini offered a million-dollar reward for Rushdie's death.

Touching on one aspect of his book that inflamed the Moslem community, Rushdie said his book had been misinterpreted.

''If I'm accused to calling the prophets' wives whores, I didn't do it, you know,'' he said.

Rushdie remains optimistic that a reconciliation can be reached with the Moslem fundamentalists who echoed the late Khomeini's call for Rushdie's death. Rajei-Khorasani, a powerful member of Iran's parliament, told Wallace in Tehran that the death sentence can never be lifted, saying ''it is a religious fact.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	29.35-29.40	26.30-26.40
North Sea Brent	33.70-33.80	30.85-30.90
West Texas Intermed	34.05-34.10	30.85-30.90
Light Louisiana Sweet	34.45-34.55	31.20-31.35
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	99.85-100.10	90.90-91.40
No. 2 Heating oil	89.65-89.90	83.35-83.60
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		

(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	85.50-85.75	82.00-82.25
No. 2 Heating oil	88.45-88.70	82.35-82.60

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(OCT. 25) UPI - U-S military leaders plan to discuss a reported request from the American commander in the Persian Gulf for more troops. It's believed additional troops and armor are being sought in order to enable U-S forces to launch an attack. The Pentagon says that up to 100-thousand more troops could be deployed in Arabia with about 210-thousand servicemen already on Persian Gulf duty.

The number of Kuwaiti refugees crossing the border into Saudi Arabia dropped off today... the same day Iraq ordered Kuwaitis to obtain Iraqi identity papers. A senior Saudi official says that by mid-day, just 16 cars had come through the border checkpoint. Previously, an estimated 300 people per day had crossed.

Congressional and White House negotiators have more breathing room to put together a budget compromise. The president signed another temporary funding bill today to keep the government running through Saturday. Agreement reportedly was reached last night on key parts of a budget plan.

Firefighters are working to control a blaze that broke out today in a pile of up to 100-thousand tires in Lincoln, Nebraska. Officials say arson is suspected in the fire at the T-O Haas tire dealership. Officials say the blaze sent dense, contaminated smoke drifting toward residential areas.

About 200 workers at a New York Daily News printing plant left their jobs today in a dispute over a fired employee... attacking a bus carrying NON-union workers and setting fire to delivery trucks. The Daily News called the action a strike and immediately began hiring permanent replacements.

Pakistan's ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto is trying to shake off a stinging loss in yesterday's elections by urging supporters NOT to give up in Saturday's provincial elections. The new caretaker prime minister denied charges of cheating by his victorious Islamic Democratic Alliance.

Salvadoran troops discovered a rebel training camp outside of San Salvador, killing five rebels and wounding 15. A military spokesman said one soldier was killed... and troops destroyed 13 stores surrounding the camp. The government and rebels are to continue peace talks next month in Mexico.

Israel today expressed disappointment that the United States did NOT veto the second Security Council condemnation of Israel in two weeks. The council voted 15operate with an investigation of the killings of at least 20 Palestinians in

Jerusalem this month.

The United States isn't the only country facing budget troubles. The German Parliament passed a supplementary budget today for 13-BILLION dollars, bringing the 1990 budget to 260-BILLION dollars and this year's public debt to 44-BILLION. A main source of difficulty is the rising cost of German unity.

Leftist workers burned buses in Manila today to try to salvage a general strike for higher wages that appears to have fizzled. At the same time... Philippine President Corazon Aquino called a rare meeting of the National Security Council to discuss the impact of the Persian Gulf crisis on the economy.

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#90298u1605 10/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
BAT Industries	1,027,400	10 13/16	off 1/16
Contl Air Hldgs	778,000	4	unch
Go Video Inc	544,500	7 1/4	up 1 5/8
Eastern Air pfD	294,100	6	unch
Painw W Grp wtB	227,300	8 1/8	up 1/8
Hillhaven Corp	203,600	1 1/2	off 1/8
Eksportfinan wt	202,400	7 7/8	off 1/4
Amdahl Corp	185,100	10 5/8	off 3/8
Energy Service	163,900	3	unch
Fruit of Loom	159,500	7 1/2	unch

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(OCT. 25) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	224.50	224.90	221.80	222.40	224.05
Mar	225.10	225.40	224.70	224.75	226.40
Jun	....	....	....	227.75	229.40

Previous day volume: 79 contracts.

Open interest: 1,256 up 20

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	315.20	315.80	310.90	311.40	315.45
Mar	317.90	318.40	313.80	314.10	318.20
Jun	....	321.50	316.40	316.80	321.20
Sep	....	324.00	319.30	319.30	323.90

Today's estimated volume: 51,996 contracts.
Open interest: 151,625 up 2,541
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	171.75	172.25	169.50	169.80	172.10
Mar	173.20	173.60	171.05	171.25	173.55
Jun	174.50	174.50	174.50	172.65	174.95

Open interest: 5,374 off 303
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	526.65	526.65	518.75	520.25	525.65
Dec	528.00	528.10	521.50	522.25	528.00
Jan	529.35	530.25	523.50	524.35	529.95

Estimated volume 2,917 contracts.
Open interest: 6,281 up 56

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(OCT. 25) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6025	off 75
Atl Rchfld pfA	885	off 25 1/4
MCA Corp	57	up 7
CapCiti/ABC	400 1/8	up 5 1/8
Tenneco Inc	41 1/4	off 3 1/4
Seagull Energy	31 3/4	up 3 1/8
Delta Air Lines	58 5/8	off 3 1/8
CBS Inc	155 1/8	off 3 1/8
Transco Energy	39 7/8	off 2 7/8
Metro Ed pfG	82 1/8	up 2 5/8

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	339.74	off	1.24	334.03	458.15
Industrial	353.45	off	1.34	358.36	444.19
Finance	333.56	off	1.47	333.68	536.94

Insurance	393.40	up	1.77	383.08	536.04
Utility	463.73	off	3.83	442.37	734.41
Bank	243.88	off	1.70	243.67	440.99
Transport	386.57	up	1.21	370.07	478.28

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 149.03 off 0.57

Industrial Index 143.90 off 0.56

NASDAQ-100 Index 354.68 off 2.26

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austral	.000179	.000182	5590.00	5500.00
Australia dlr	.7827	.7803	1.2776	1.2816
Austria schill	.0943	.0943	10.61	10.61
Belgium franc-c	.0322	.0323	31.09	31.00
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0104	.0104	96.52	95.84
Britain pound	1.9510	1.9600	.5126	.5102
Britain 1-mo	1.9414	1.9503	.5151	.5127
Britain 3-mo	1.9237	1.9331	.5198	.5173
Britain 6-mo	1.9010	1.9103	.5260	.5235
Canada dollar	.8576	.8536	1.1660	1.1715
Canada 1-mo	.8544	.8504	1.1704	1.1759
Canada 3-mo	.8487	.8447	1.1783	1.1839
Canada 6-mo	.8404	.8366	1.1899	1.1953
Chile peso-f	.003385	.003385	295.40	295.40
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001889	.001890	529.50	529.07
Denmark krne	.1737	.1739	5.7555	5.7520
Ecudr sucre-z	.001195	.001198	836.50	834.60
Egypt pound	.3653	.3653	2.7375	2.7375
Finlnd mrkka	.2789	.2788	3.5850	3.5865
France franc	.1969	.1978	5.0790	5.0560
France 1-mo	.1966	.1975	5.0866	5.0635
France 3-mo	.1963	.1969	5.0939	5.0789

France 6-mo	.1950	.1959	5.1269	5.1039
Greece drach	.006638	.006645	150.65	150.50
Hollnd guildr	.5848	.5893	1.7100	1.6970
HongKong dlr	.1285	.1285	7.7845	7.7840
India rupee	.0557	.0557	17.96	17.95
Indo'sa rupia	.000540	.000540	1852.00	1853.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7720	1.7800	0.5643	0.5618
Israel shekel	.5043	.5058	1.9830	1.9770
Italy lira	.000880	.000887	1136.00	1127.50
Japan yen	.007806	.007908	128.10	126.45
Japan 1-mo	.007806	.007927	128.10	126.15
Japan 3-mo	.007809	.007902	128.05	126.55
Japan 6-mo	.007722	.007913	129.50	126.37
Jordan dinar	1.5649	1.5627	.6390	.6399
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000345	.000345	2899.00	2898.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6085	.6067	1.6434	1.6483
Norway krne	.1706	.1707	5.8610	5.8575
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.56	21.56
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	433,400	433,400
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007576	.007564	132.00	132.20
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5863	.5848	1.7055	1.7100
S.Africa rand	.3965	.3970	2.5220	2.5190
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010549	.010588	94.80	94.45
Sweden krona	.1785	.1790	5.6025	5.5875
Switzrl franc	.7806	.7883	1.2810	1.2685
Switzrl 1-mo	.7806	.7883	1.2810	1.2685
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7806	.7882	1.2811	1.2687
Switzrl 6-mo	.7798	.7876	1.2823	1.2696
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.80	26.80
Turkey lira	.000367	.000367	2727.00	2724.00
UAE dirham	.2731	.2732	3.6610	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0204	.0204	49.02	49.00
Germany Mark	.6588	.6638	1.5180	1.5065
Germany 1-mo	.6570	.6637	1.5220	1.5067
Germany 3-mo	.6502	.6630	1.5380	1.5082
Germany 6-mo	.6361	.6609	1.5720	1.5130
Yugosl dinar	.0967	.0960	10.34	10.42

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - (Dow Jones has corrected it's 30 Indus and 65 Stocks indexes).

NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2484.16	off 20.05
20 Trans	851.33	off 15.72
15 Utils	209.82	off 0.69
65 Stocks	875.73	off 8.62

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.05	up 0.07
10 Public Utils	90.98	off 0.03
10 Industrials	87.13	up 0.17

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2509.41	2525.99	2464.11	2484.16	off 20.05
20 Trans	867.60	872.04	846.52	851.33	off 15.72
15 Utils	210.70	212.02	208.88	209.82	off 0.69
65 Stock	885.67	891.12	869.79	875.73	off 8.62

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	18,158,800	17,790,800
Trans	3,946,000	3,532,200
Utils	2,663,100	2,521,900
65 Stock	24,767,900	23,844,900

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.05	up 0.07
10 Public Utils	90.98	off 0.03
10 Industrials	87.13	up 0.17

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 128.77 up 0.12.

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(Dow Jones has corrected it's 30 Indus index)

NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Thursday	2484.16	off	20.05	851.33	off	15.72	209.82	off	0.69
Wednesday	2504.21	up	10.15	867.05	off	7.95	210.51	up	0.56
Week ago	2452.72	up	64.85	856.88	up	34.95	208.31	up	0.82
Month ago	2427.48	off	32.17	828.03	off	18.49	198.69	off	1.13
Year ago	2613.73	off	39.55	1205.19	up	5.87	215.67	off	0.82
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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(OCT. 25) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.84	7.94	8.75
91-day Treasury bills	7.43	7.46	7.59
182-day Treasury bills	7.51	8.54	7.47
1-year Treasury bills	7.47	7.52	7.28
3-year Treasury notes	7.94	7.97	7.84
7-year Treasury notes	8.48	8.50	7.89
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.75	8.78	7.89
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.25	9.25	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.85	8.89	9.05
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.21	9.20	8.91
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.41	9.43	8.92
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.49	9.52	9.12
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.47	9.50	9.11

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	103,489,600
Advances	842
Declines	924
Unchanged	2,461
Total	4,227

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PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (OCT. 25) UPI - The remains of Jan Palach, who immolated himself to protest the Warsaw Pact invasion of Czechoslovakia 21 years ago, were reburied Thursday in a cemetery reserved for prominent Czechoslovaks.

It was the third resting spot for the man who in death became an inspiration to his nation.

Palach's ashes, in a gilded urn, were returned to Prague from his hometown and buried among the graves of prominent Czechoslovaks on the orders of the nearly year-old democratic government.

Palach, who was 21 and a history student at Prague University, set himself on fire in the center of Prague on Jan. 16, 1969, to protest the military invasion by Warsaw Pact countries in August 1968 that crushed the Prague Spring reform movement.

Professor Jarmila Emmerova said a meeting of university staff and students held in an atmosphere of helplessness may have been ''the last straw'' for Palach, who killed himself three days later.

Palach was buried in the Prague cemetary of Olsany, but people soon made his gravesite a symbol of their struggle against communism and authorities moved his remains to his hometown of Vsetaty.

Nonetheless, people still gathered where his grave used to be.

Each anniversary of Palach's death has been observed with a wreath- laying ceremony in St. Wenceslas Square, where he died, interrupted by police intervention and arrests.

Vaclav Havel, now the president of Czechoslovakia, was among those arrested in January 1989, just months before the ''Velvet Revolution'' that ousted communists from power.

A square in front of Prague University was named after Palach in January 1989. Previously it was called Red Army Soldiers' Square.

Two weeks ago, in a gesture reflecting the nation's political reforms, the remains of a few communists were removed from another Prague cemetery traditionally reserved for prominent people.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	342.27	338.38	339.74	off 1.24
Industrial	366.26	361.89	353.45	off 1.34
Finance	335.91	332.96	333.56	off 1.47
Insurance	393.40	390.25	393.40	up 1.77
Utility	470.82	460.05	463.73	off 3.83
Bank	246.18	243.67	243.88	off 1.70
Transport	388.41	383.01	386.57	up 1.21

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	149.03 off 0.57
Industrial Index	143.90 off 0.56
NASDAQ-100 Index (largest non-fin'cl)	354.68 off 2.26
Average price per share	7.70 off 0.04
Volume	79,076,104 shares
Advances	680
Declines	770
Unchanged	1,341
Total	2,791

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Stocks fell in light trading Thursday as a sharp rise in oil prices and program selling cut short an early advance tied to progress toward a budget accord.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 10.15 Wednesday, lost 20.05 to close at 2484.16.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index eased 1.09 to 169.51. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index lost 2.43 to 310.17. The price of an average share fell 19 cents.

Declines led advances 850-621 among the 1,957 issues crossing the Big Board tape. Volume totaled 141,460,000 shares, down from the 149,290,000 traded Wednesday.

Prices opened higher in the wake of news that budget negotiators had reached agreement on some key tax provisions of a tentative deficit-cutting plan. But program selling swept through the market after about an hour of trading to wipe out the gains and send the market down sharply.

Richard Darman, President Bush's budget chief, indicated shortly before midnight Wednesday that tentative agreement had been reached on key parts of the plan, which would raise the top tax rate to 31 percent and limit deductions for the rich.

Negotiators were still struggling to complete the deal Thursday, but Bush had signed a temporary spending bill early in the day to keep the government operating, signaling his satisfaction with the progress made.

But stocks' advance proved short-lived once oil prices began to surge, apparently on an International Herald Tribune report that French President Francois Mitterrand expects war to break out in the Persian Gulf soon and has decided to allow French forces in the region to operate under U.S. command.

But a spokeswoman for the presidential Elysee Palace denied the report, saying: "The president had not expressed himself in those terms under any circumstances, public or private." Despite this, the rally was on in the oil market. December oil futures closed up $3.17 to $34.25 a barrel.

"The talk about war, all the belligerent talk going around, that and oil got the market down," said Tom Gallagher, managing director in charge of capital commitment at Oppenheimer & Co.

As for why the early gains evaporated, Gallagher noted that many investors bought stocks in anticipation of a budget agreement being finalized. "So when reality set in, there was nobody left to buy stocks and we had oil going up at the same time," he explained.

On the trading floor, Citicorp was the most active issue, off 1/4 to 11 5/8. The dividend rate on a series of the bank's preferred stock was reset at a very high 12.5 percent in an auction Wednesday.

General Electric followed, down 5/8 to 51 1/4. Chase Manhattan was third, off 1/4 to 11 1/4.

Avon Products was also active, up 3/8 to 25 1/4. The company said it expects a 25 percent gain in net income for the year and has hired a financial adviser to work on ways to increase shareholder value.

MNC Financial was heavily traded as well, down 3/4 to 4 1/8. The Maryland bank holding company reported a third-quarter loss of $173.4 million and, in an indication of how severe its problems are, said it would not pay dividends without Federal Reserve approval, would discontinue its commercial-paper program and would try to sell its credit card unit.

Among other blue chips, AT&T rose 1/4 to 33 5/8 in active trading and USX added 5/8 to 31 1/8, while IBM lost 1/2 to 108 1/8, Eastman Kodak fell 1 1/4 to 38 5/8, and Philip Morris lost 3/4 to 47 1/2. General Motors was unchanged at 38 5/8.

Elsewhere, MCA bolted seven to 57, reversing Wednesday's plunge spurred by reports that talks on a buyout by Matsushita Electric Industrial were suspended. Matsushita denied the reports later Wednesday, fueling Thursday's rally.

And Tandem Computers plunged 1 1/4 to 10 3/4 after reporting a drop in earnings for the fiscal fourth quarter.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 174,263,040 shares, compared with 181,588,030 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices gained slightly in light trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index edged up 0.09 to close at 292.78. Advances led declines, 253 to 238, among the 747 issues traded. The price of an average share was unchanged. Composite volume totaled 11,354,200 shares, vs. 11,227,400 traded Wednesday. B.A.T. Industries led the Amex issues, down 1/16 to 10 13/16.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index lost 1.24 to 339.74.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	12	15	20

New lows	101	105	144

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	635	40,259,000
Declines	834	83,721,200
Unchanged	483	17,479,800
Total	1,952	141,460,000

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(OCT. 25) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	4
New lows	39

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	249	3,027,100
Declines	239	3,755,300
Unchanged	258	2,907,600
Total	746	9,690,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	367.61	220.91	140.10	20.38	312.60
Opening	368.58	220.95	140.43	20.38	313.35
11 a.m.	365.61	218.69	139.68	20.18	310.88
Noon	364.66	217.73	139.60	20.13	310.16
1 p.m.	365.28	217.73	139.67	20.14	310.59
2 p.m.	365.06	217.04	139.53	20.11	310.36
3 p.m.	365.94	217.60	139.81	20.16	311.10
Close	364.84	216.44	139.48	20.09	310.17
Change	off 2.77	off 4.47	off 0.62	off 0.29	off 2.43

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - Positive developments in the Washington budget talks gave a stabilizing dollar at least one reason to move up handily in New York trading Thursday, even if a budget pact could push interest rates down.

Currency traders said that the dollar was already in the midst of a consolidation or correction this week from the freefall it underwent in

preceding weeks but that the budget deal taking shape set a positive tone.

Congress and the administration seemed close to a deficit-reducing budget plan as President Bush signed a temporary spending bill. The new budget plan would raise more revenue by reducing tax breaks for the rich.

"Finally, it's getting clearer and clearer what's going to be happening," said Carl Amendola, an assistant vice president for currency dealings with Bayerische Hypotheken-und Wechsel Bank in New York. Amendola said trading continued to be dominated by technical factors, such as chart points which serve as price targets or limits.

Late in New York, the dollar traded at 1.5170 German marks, up from 1.5060 Wednesday, and 128.20 Japanese yen, up from 126.60.

Although the Federal Reserve is expected to ease short-term interest rates when Congress and the administration eventually seal a budget deficit-cutting deal, Amendola said the market has already written lower rates into dollar prices. "Assuming rates do come down," he added, "it will be in the open, and then we can get further direction as to where this market is going."

He said the market still awaited guidance from the U.S., German and Japanese central banks on where the dollar's "floor" - the level beyond which they would not allow it to fall - should be set. "With the U.S. administration feeling that a lower dollar is very tolerable," Amendola said, "I feel the dollar can go lower."

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2830 Swiss francs, up from 1.2693; 5.0790 French francs, up from 5.0450; and 1,136 Italian lire, up from 1,128. The pound moved down to $1.9510 from $1.9580.

In Europe, the dollar ended mixed as currency markets ignored the first signs of a U.S. budget compromise and fresh news from the Middle East.

Midland Bank currency dealer Tim Fox said the market "largely ignored the news on the U.S. budget, and the uncertainty in the (Persian) Gulf has caused the dollar to drift without a direction."

The dollar closed lower in Frankfurt, at 1.5120 marks vs. 1.5224 at Wednesday's close, but was slightly higher in Zurich, at 1.2725 Swiss francs against 1.2710. In London, the pound slipped to $1.9545 from $1.9555.

The dollar closed lower in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at, respectively: 5.0505 French francs against 5.0795, 31.05 Belgian francs against 31.13 and 1,128.30 Italian lire from 1,136.50.

Earlier, in the Tokyo session, the dollar resumed its downward trek when it came under selling pressure brought on prospects for an easing of U.S.

interest rates. The U.S. unit closed at 127.15 yen, down from 128.38 yen Wednesday.

Dealers reported moderate trading as market players nervously awaited word of the details of a U.S. budget package.

In Zurich, gold rose sharply to $376 an ounce from $372.50 and it moved up in London to $375.25 an ounce from $371.50 Wednesday.

Silver was unchanged in Zurich at $4.25 an ounce but declined in London, closing at $4.24 an ounce from $4.26 the day before.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $376.25 an ounce, up from $373.75 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $375.80 an ounce, up from $373.50.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.23 an ounce, down from $4.245. Comex silver closed at $4.204 an ounce, down from $4.223.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 25) UPI - California's housing slump worsened in September as worries about the economic effects of the Persian Gulf crisis pushed sales down 10.7 percent, a real estate trade group said Thursday.

The drop-off in sales - the largest this year - was attributed largely to the buyer trepidation about a recession and volatile oil prices that arose in the wake of the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, according to the head of the California Association of Realtors.

"Many potential buyers stayed out of the market in August after the Middle East conflict erupted," said Jim Antt, president of the trade group. "As a result, we saw a substantial drop in September of closed escrow sales."

On an annual basis, the sales rate of existing single-family homes during September would have led to 381,080 houses changing hands this year. That activity rate is 26.5 percent lower than the figure for September 1989.

Sales had increased 1.6 percent in August, following five straight months of declines. The trade group noted that home sales often drop two to 15 percent in most regions between August and September, partly because the start of school limits buyers' willingness to move.

Prices, meanwhile, were off 1.5 percent in September, the sixth straight month of decline, with the median price of a single-family home at $190,350. That figure is 4.2 percent lower than the year-ago median of $198,740. Antt noted that the decline has been driven by an increase in popularity of

less-expensive homes.

The overall California housing market - once the hottest in the nation - has been mired in a year-long slump, with sales off sharply in coastal urban areas like Los Angeles and San Francisco. Prices in those areas soared during a two-year boom that ended last year and left many potential buyers frozen out of those markets.

The California Association of Realtors has already predicted a 14.9 percent slowdown in sales for next year, with the only growth coming in the less expensive inland areas, such as Sacramento, Modesto and Bakersfield.

But the trade group said Thursday that the sharp one-month decline experienced in September will probably not be repeated soon. "The Persian Gulf crisis has caused a one-time jolt to the entire U.S. economy, but the ripple effect of that shock likely will dissipate during the next few months," said Leslie Appleton-Young, an economist with the trade group.

The trade group reported a drop in September sales activity in every region of the state. The smallest declines took place in outlying areas - the Northern California wine country (2.9 percent), the lower desert area around Palm Springs (12.3 percent) and Riverside-San Bernardino (16.4 percent).

The largest declines took place in the Sacramento area (34.8 percent), where sales had been booming earlier this year, and in Santa Barbara (33.2 percent).

Orange County sales fell 17.4 percent, Los Angeles was off 19.7 percent, San Diego plunged 23.3 percent and the San Francisco Bay Area decreased by 23.7 percent.

The report came a day after TRW Real Estate Information Services reported that September housing sales in Southern California plunged 23 percent from August to their lowest monthly rate in nearly three years.

The company said 19,331 homes and condominiums were sold in September in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and San Diego counties. That total was the lowest since January 1988, when 18,913 homes changed hands. The company also said sales may go lower in October because of the economic "turbulence" caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - The Senate Ethics Committee asked the General Accounting Office Thursday to investigate leaks to the media concerning the panel's inquiry into the ''Keating Five'' savings and loan scandal.

In recent weeks there have been a series of news stories about the

investigation, mostly involving Sens. Alan Cranston of California, Donald Riegle of Michigan and Dennis DeConcini of Arizona - all Democrats.

Also, there have been widespread reports that the committee's special lawyer has found no reason for the committee to continue to investigate the other two senators involved in the affair - Sens. John McCain, R- Ariz., and John Glenn, D-Ohio.

The five senators are suspected of giving improper favors to savings and loan executive Charles Keating.

McCain has called for the findings relating to himself to be made available immediately and has complained that Democrats do not want to quickly clear the only Republican involved in the matter.

However, several Democrats have charged that Republicans are engaged in an organized effort to leak stories to the media and make only Democrats look bad.

In a brief statement, the committee - composed of three Democrats and three Republicans - said it appeared that ''some committee-sensitive documents have been disclosed to the press.''

''Some of these press articles have contained a number of inaccuracies, distortions and misstatements. Because some of these disclosures may have come from the committee itself, we concluded that an outside organization would be best able to conduct an independent and impartial inquiry into this matter,'' it said.

The General Accounting Office is the investigative arm of Congress.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - Budget negotiators, sensing a "drive toward conclusion," struggled Thursday over final details of a deficit-cutting plan that will raise all taxpayers' gasoline and excise taxes and put new tax burdens on the rich.

"Every American family is going to have to bear part of the sacrifice," said Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Calif., chairman of the House Budget Committee, of the still-incomplete deal.

Negotiators met back and forth across the Capitol, trying to nail down the last elements of the ellusive plan, which House Democrats embraced during a caucus Wednesday and which President Bush on Thursday appeared willing to support.

Asked about the still-unfinished budget deal while jogging on the grounds of

the vice presidential residence in Washington, Bush told reporters he was "feeling good about it."

"The president does believe this budget report is a historic bipartisan agreement," White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said. "Although the process has been somewhat tortuous, we can believe there has been solid achievement."

Early Thursday afternoon, Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas said "at least two dozen issues" remained unresolved, including some spending cuts, "a number of issues on the tax side" and agriculture. Added Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee: "We've got a lot of work to do."

Among the matters yet to be settled, Panetta said, were "a huge number" of tax issues, whether to extend some expiring business tax breaks and whether to agree to language in the Senate version of the bill that would grant new tax breaks to encourage oil drilling. "I have a feeling it may be more controversial than some of the other stuff," Panetta said of the oil-drilling breaks.

But, he added, "I sense that there is a drive toward conclusion" of the budget process - a ten-month partisan tug of war that began in January when Bush unveiled his fiscal year 1991 budget plan and included a bipartisan budget summit that produced a package the House roundly rejected earlier this month.

The final deficit-reduction package - cornerstone of Congress's effort to cut the deficit by $500 billion over five years - will include many tax increases with broad impact.

The current nine cents-a-gallon gasoline tax is expected to rise a nickel, the current 16 cents-a-pack cigarette tax will go up by four cents in 1991 and another four cents in 1993 and alcohol taxes will rise by 16 cents per six-pack of beer and about a quarter per bottle of table wine.

Taxes on the wealthy will increase several ways in an effort to make the tax code more progressive and ease the impact on lower- and middle-income taxpayers.

The income tax rate for the wealthiest Americans, now at 28 percent, will rise to 31 percent. At the same time, upper middle income people paying a 33 percent tax rate will see a reduction to 31 percent. In addition, the wealthy will see their tax deductions and their personal exemptions limited.

House Democrats on Wednesday backed away from their push for a surtax on millionaires, in part, some members said, because they felt Democrats had already scored key political points with the tax-the-rich issue, painting Republicans as protectors of the wealthy. Bush and most Republicans bitterly

opposed the surtax.

Assistant House Democratic leader William Gray of Pennsylvania said that under the latest plan, "working-class people, middle-class people do not bear the heaviest burden" of deficit reduction.

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TORONTO (OCT. 25) UPI - A tentative settlement with Chrysler Canada Ltd. heralds a new era in labor relations with the company, the head of the Canadian Auto Workers union said Thursday.

The settlement, which models that reached in earlier talks with the Canadian operations of Ford Motor Co. and General Motors Corp., was reached well in advance of the union's midnight strike deadline.

Union President Bob White called the deal "historic" and said the CAW's bargaining committee voted unanimously to recommend its acceptance by Chrysler's 10,800 autoworkers.

White said everyone at the main table agreed the settlement signalled "a new era of labor relations" between Chrysler and the CAW. Ratification votes are scheduled to take place on Saturday and Sunday.

Ken Francese, Chrylser Canada's vice-president of human resources, said the company was "very proud of what we have accomplished." He acknowledged that the settlement was "rich" but also said it was a competitive agreement.

The three-year deal includes across the board wage increases and cost-of-living allowances that add up to 7.5 percent, 6.7 percent and 4.8 percent salary increases over the course of the contract.

The wages and COLA clauses, plus an annual $425 vacation bonus and three additional holidays a year match the pattern set at Ford after a nine-day strike in September. The pattern was met by GM earlier this month.

The settlement also has other pattern-provisions including a worker security package to deal with plant closings and layoffs due to technological changes. And Chrysler agreed to pay one cent an hour to a union-run social justice fund and a union child care program.

One new wrinkle is the establishment of a joint environmental committee. Its objective will be to develop an environmental policy and program for Chrysler workers, and outline the company's responsibilities.

White said the settlement was historic because the company recognized the differences between its Canadian and U.S. operations. "The argument that was

always made to us was that whatever happens in the United States with Chrysler always had to happen in Canada," White said.

Francese said the Canadian talks were separate and distinct from those in the U.S. and as a result, company negotiators had a lot of autonomy. He said he did not consult Chrysler's chairman Lee Iaccoca.

Chrysler tabled Monday a monetary offer to the union that indicated the company was going to meet the pattern established at Ford and General Motors.

Chrysler Canada employs the CAW members at four assembly plants in Windsor and Brampton, a trim plant in Ajax and a castings facility in Etobicoke - all located in Ontario.

The Windsor assembly plants produce Chrysler's top-selling mini-vans - the Dodge Caravan and Plymouth Voyager MagicWagons - and full-size Dodge Ram vans and wagons.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - Largely due to increased pumping by Saudi Arabia, the worst of the petroleum shortfall caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait is ''definitely behind us,'' an Energy Department expert told Congress Thursday.

Calvin Kent, administrator of the Energy Information Administration, said the invasion by Saddam Hussein's forces on Aug. 2 caused the loss of 4.3 million barrels of oil a day from world markets. But much of that loss is being made up, he said.

''From a supply standpoint, the worst is definitely behind us,'' Kent said, unless fighting begins in the Middle East.

''By the end of the year, the vast majority of that shortfall will have been replaced by increased production here and in other countries,'' Kent said during a hearing by the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee.

''By December, the loss should be only 350 million barrels a day,'' said Kent. ''Well over half of the replacement oil is from Saudi Arabia.''

The dramatic rise in oil prices - and gasoline at the pump - is caused by ''the fear of increased hostilities (in the Middle East),'' Kent said, not by a supply problem.

The vast majority of the Saudi refineries are within 160 nautical miles of ''current (missile) emplacements,'' Kent noted. ''The market is extremely skittish.''

Although the Energy Information Administration is part of the Energy Department, it is an independent statistical agency.

Kent also said petroleum prices are much higher in Europe than in the United States and that price differential makes Europe ''a more attractive market.'' Consequently, imports to the United States are down, Kent said.

Since the invasion of Kuwait, gasoline prices have risen 31.5 percent in the United States, Kent said, compared with 37.5 percent in Japan, 52.8 percent in Germany and 61.3 percent in France.

The prices for home heating oil have followed a similar trend, Kent testified, increasing 40.1 percent in the United States, and rising as much as 74.8 percent in Italy and 79.6 percent in the United Kingdom.

To calculate the percentages, Kent used the period from July 30 - two days before the invasion - through Oct. 8.

Kent said U.S. gasoline inventories were low at the end of August, ''but have been rising and are now about the same level they were at this time last year.'' Supplies should be adequate through the fourth quarter, although there may be higher prices and ''some local supply problems,'' he said.

Sens. John Glenn, D-0hio, and Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., questioned why gasoline prices have risen so quickly when Kuwait accounted for less than 5 percent of U.S. crude oil consumption.

Charles DiBona, president of the American Petroleum Institute, said oil companies have increased gasoline prices less rapidly than the increases in their prices for crude oil.

The oil companies have acted ''responsibly and certainly have not 'gouged' the American consumer,'' DiBona said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - Fat revenue projections from new taxes on cigarettes, alcohol and gasoline could backfire if people on fixed or limited incomes smoke and drive less and forgo the extra six-pack, observers said Thursday.

It is widely believed the pending budget package's ''sin-tax'' hikes, which are expected to generate an estimated $15.1 billion over five years, would hit low-income people the hardest because they have less disposable income.

''By raising those excise taxes, it's certainly going to cause hardship for folks on limited income, those in low-paying jobs and people making the

minimum wage,'' said Robert McAlpine of the National Urban League.

''But they simply might not be able to afford these things with their limited funds. From a health point of view, it could have a very positive effect. The increases might limit folks' ability to buy that extra pack of cigarettes or an extra six-pack (of beer),'' McAlpine said.

The cigarette tax, now at 16 cents a pack, may go up 4 cents in 1991 and another 4 cents in 1993. The tax on beer could double from 16 cents a six-pack to 32 cents.

The table wine tax could go up 25 cents a bottle, while hard liquor tax, now at $12.50 per proof gallon, could go up by about $1 to $1.20 a gallon, or about 20-25 cents a fifth. And the gax tax, now at 9 cents a gallon, could go up a nickel.

According to a study released by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, families with annual household incomes of less than $35,000 would bear the greatest burden of excise tax increases.

Rep. Steny Hoyer, D-Md., chairman of the House Democratic caucus, speculated that the higher excise taxes could backfire to some extent.

''The theory of sin taxes is that people will continue to buy the items (generating more revenue for the government). Or it could have a salutory side effect of cutting down cigarette smoking and use of alcoholic beverages,'' Hoyer said.

Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Calif., chairman of the House Budget Committee, agreed the poor will feel the bite of the excise tax hikes.

''That's where they're going to be hit,'' he said.

But low-income families probably will get some help from the government for child care expenses, if all goes according to plan.

The Senate and White House have agreed to fold a child care measure into the budget package and the House has all but signed on to that idea.

''I think it would almost certainly be part of reconciliation,'' Rep. Thomas Downey, D-N.Y., said, noting details still need to be worked out.

''It's been a four-year battle and I'm extremely satisfied with the result,'' said Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., chief Senate drafter of the legislation. ''This is the first time ever that child care as a policy will be adopted into law. This is an unprecedented step.''

The elderly, most on a fixed income, would be hit by the budget deal through

Medicare cuts, which are expected to save approximately $42 billion over five years. These cuts would be achieved by reducing payments to hospitals and doctors and raising beneficiaries' premiums from the present $28.60 a month to an anticipated $46.50 in 1995. Also, the annual deductable for doctor services may rise from $75 to $100.

''There's no question that older Americans are willing to make a financial contribution to deficit reduction. Our polls show the elderly don't want to leave a legacy of debt to their children and grandchildren,'' said Peggy Laramie, spokeswoman for the American Association of Retired Persons.

Rep. Sherwood Boelhert, R-N.Y., said Medicare beneficiaries have no choice but to bite the bullet and accept the hikes or face the demise of the health insurance program.

''I'm getting an awful lot of calls against any proposal that affects Medicare in a negative way. But what I point out to them is that we're protecting Social Security and its cost of living increases. And the primary objective should be to preserve the integrity of the Medicare program. And this plan does that,'' he said.

''So we're looking out for the elderly,'' Boelhert said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 427.44, off 0.56 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - The judge in the second Central Park jogger rape trial refused Thursday to let one of the two defendants replace his white attorney with a black activist lawyer.

Justice Thomas Galligan turned down the request of Kevin Richardson, 16, saying he would not delay the trial by replacing attorney Howard Diller with C. Vernon Mason.

''As far as the court is concerned, you are the attroney for the defendant and you will continue as attorney for the defendant,'' Galligan told Diller.

Diller told the judge that Richardson's family is refusing to cooperate with him to help in the youth's defense.

''It would be unfair to this defendant to proceed further in the trial because of the family's refusal to cooperate because they have another attorney,'' he argued.

The lawyer for Richardson said he may try to bring up the issue again when the trial resumes at 9:30 a.m. Friday.

Richardson's mother, Grace Cuffee, broke down in tears outside the courtroom when she learned of the judge's refusal to replace Diller, whom she fired because she was not pleased with his defense.

Her daughter, Angela Cuffee, told reporters: ''We don't have anything to say except that C. Vernon Mason is our lawyer and Howard Diller is not.''

Meanwhile the trial continued in State Supreme Court, Manhattan, with testimony from detective Eric Reynolds, one of the arresting officers on the night of April 19, 1989, when a group of young men went ''wilding'' in Central Park and raped a woman investment banker who was jogging there.

If Mason had been allowed to step into the case to replace Diller, the defense team would have been made up of two lawyers who are under investigation by legal disciplinary committees.

The committee in the First Department of State Supreme Court in Manhattan is investigating Mason's role as an advisor to Tawana Brawley. The black teenager claimed she was raped by six white men, but a state grand jury later determined her story was a hoax.

The committee in the Second Department of State Supreme Court in Brooklyn is looking into the actions of the lawyer for Richardson's co- defendant, Kharey Wise, 18.

The attorney, Colin Moore, is being investigated for his role in the black boycott of a Korean grocery. He is accused of knowing for months that his client had identified the wrong man as her assailant but witholding the information.

The prosecution plans to oppose the change in lawyers, possibly arguing that Mason has a conflict of interest because he is handling the appeal of another youth convicted in the gang rape, Antron McCray, 16, said Colleen Roche, a spokeswoman for Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau.

In their videotaped confessions, McCray implicates Richardson in the rape and Richardson implicates McCray.

Altogether, six youths were indicted in the ''wilding'' rampage. Three of them were convicted last summer of raping and beating the woman jogger and

assaulting two male joggers. The three - McCray, Yusef Salaam, 16, and Raymond Santana, 16 - were sentenced to 5 to 10 years in a juvenile jail.

The final youth, Steve Lopez, 16, is slated to be tried alone next year.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Quantum Chemical Corp				
Suspended				
Coast Savings Financial Corp				
Increased				
Amer Fructose cl-A&B	Q	.10	11-21	11-7
Canadian Utils cl-A&B	..	c-.34 1/2	12-1	11-9
Cross (AT) Co	Q	.32	11-21	11-8
Empire District Elec	Q	.60 1/2	12-15	12-1
Island Telephone	Q	c-.27	12-15	11-30
Nalco Chemical Co	Q	.40	12-10	11-20
Norwest Corp	Q	.23	12-1	11-9
Oregon Steel Mills	Q	.12	11-30	11-6
Sara Lee Corp	Q	.23 1/2	1-1	12-3
Texaco Inc	Q	.80	12-10	11-9
Reduced				
VSB Bancorp Inc	Q	.08	11-19	11-5
Usual				
Alcan Aluminium Ltd	Q	.28	12-20	11-20
Allstate Mcpl IOT III	M	.05 1/2	11-23	11-9
Allstate Mcpl PIT	M	.05 3/4	11-123	11-9
Amdahl Corp	Q	.02 1/2	11-19	11-5
Amer Adjustable RTT	M	.07 1/2	11-28	11-7
Amer General	Q	.80	12-1	11-7
Amer Govt Income Fund	M	.07	11-28	11-7
Amer Govt Inc Ptfolio	M	.0885	11-28	11-7
Amer Govt Term Trust	M	.08	11-28	11-7
Amer Home Products	Q	.53 3/4	12-1	11-13
Amer Opportunity IF	M	.083	11-28	11-7
Baybanks Inc	Q	.30	12-1	11-14
Bemis Co	Q	.18	12-3	11-19
Bindley Western Indus	..	.01 1/2	12-5	11-9
Cambrex Corp	Q	.05	11-30	11-9

Carter-Wallace Inc	Q	.23	11-28	11-8
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Church & Dwight	Q	.08	11-30	11-14
Daedalus Enterprises	S	.04	12-14	11-15
Delta Air Lines	Q	.30	12-1	11-8
Eastern Enterprises	Q	.35	1-2	12-3
Ethyl Corp	Q	.15	1-1	12-14
First Western Fincl	Q	.09	11-30	11-9
Gorman-Rupp Co	Q	.25	12-10	11-9
Greater NY Svgs Bk	Q	.12	12-1	11-13
Iowa-Ill Gas & Elec	Q	.41 3/4	12-1	11-5
Kollmorgen Corp	Q	.08	12-4	11-20
Lindberg Corp	Q	.07	12-1	11-9
Olin Corp	Q	.55	12-10	11-9
Pfizer inc	Q	.60	12-20	11-16
Poe & Associates Inc	Q	.10	11-27	11-9
Pope & Talbot Inc	Q	.18	11-15	11-5
Sonat Inc	Q	.50	11-14	11-30
Telecredit Inc	Q	.30	12-7	11-6
Trinova Corp	Q	.17	12-14	11-15
UST Inc	Q	.27 1/2	12-15	12-5

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a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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(OCT. 25) UPI - The first major snowfall of the season dumped up to 8 inches on the central Appalachian Mountains Thursday and cold air invaded the nation's midsection, threatening to push temperatures below freezing as far south as Alabama.

Showers and thunderstorms continued over the Carolinas, Tennessee and Virginia. Rain also was scattered over New York, Ohio and Oregon.

Afternoon thunderstorms pelted Locust, N.C. with 1-inch diameter hail and smaller hail peppered Concord and Lumberton, N.C., the National Weather Service said.

A flood warning was posted over south-central North Carolina. Heavy rain at Charlotte and much of Mecklenburg County flooded several highways, authorities said.

Snow closed the Clingman Dome Road near Newfound Gap in the Smoky Mountains of Tennessee, the NWS said. Eight inches of snow fell at Mitchell, N.C.

High temperatures reached only the 40s across much of the Midwest Thursday and the weather service warned residents to brace for an even colder night. Frost warnings were posted for Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky. Forecasters said nightime temperatures could dip below freezing as far south as northern Alabama.

Powerful winds buffeted the northern Rockies and the northern Pacific Coast. Gusts reached 56 mph at Seaside, Ore., and 47 mph at Bellingham, Wash. Advisories for gusts to 60 mph were posted for the upper Yellowstone Valley of Montana.

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OAKLAND, Calif. (OCT. 25) UPI - The Golden State Warriors announced Thursday they had signed unrestricted free agent Steve Johnson to a one-year contract.

Johnson, a 6-10 center, was the seventh player taken in the 1981 NBA draft by the then Kansas City Kings, but never lived up to his billing. His best year was with Portland in 1986-87 when he averaged 16.8 points and 7.2 rebounds a contest.

He earned All-Star honors in 1988, but has spent most of his nine years in the league as a journeyman. Last year, Johnson was released by Minnesota and played only sparingly for the Seattle SuperSonics.

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WEST CALDWELL, N.J. (OCT. 25) UPI - Workers may grouse about having to put on a suit and tie to go to the office, but given a choice of casual dress, most would keep things the way they are, a survey said Thursday.

More than a third (36 percent) of office workers think it's ''very important'' to have a dress code, and another 32 percent say it's ''fairly important.'' Only 14 percent say it's ''not important at all,'' the national survey said.

The survey, conducted by the Gallup Organization for the Ricoh Corp., a manufacturer of office equipment and machines, found that managers and other executives were most concerned with dress codes while professional workers are least concerned.

By a small margin, women have stronger feelings in favor of dress codes. About 39 percent of women consider dress codes ''very imprtant'', compared with 34 percent of men.

The study, conducted among 500 office workers in May and June this year, also found that workers professing satisfaction with their jobs were more likely to

believe that a dress code is important.

And Easterners think dress is more important than Westerners (74 percent versus 55 percent).

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - The Hubble Space Telescope will photograph a huge storm on Saturn in early November, NASA announced Thursday.

The storm is called the ''Great White Spot'' or ''Wilber Spot'' after amateur astronomer Steuart Wilber of Las Cruces, N.M., who discovered it on Sept. 24.

By Oct. 1, the storm measured more than 10,000 miles across - larger than Earth - and had grown another 2,000 miles less than one day later, officials said.

The spot is now more than 50,000 miles in diameter, covering much of one hemisphere of Saturn and making it larger than the famous ''Great Red Spot'' on Jupiter.

Within the last few weeks, the spot has become more complex, with new spots being spotted in the main spot and two separate white, round spots having formed, NASA said.

''One side of the main spot seems darkened, as if the Wilber Spot is a raised feature casting a shadow,'' a NASA statement said.

The spot also seems ''almost fluorescent'' in appearance, according to Dan Green of the International Astronomical Union's Central Bureau for Astronomical Telegrams in Cambridge, Mass.

The $1.5 billion Hubble telescope's wide field planetary camera will record several images of the spot each day for three days, NASA said, to help scientists learn more about it.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - The U.S. attorney's Office urged a federal judge Thursday to sentence Mayor Marion Barry to the maximum one year in prison for his conviction on a misdemeanor drug possession charge.

U.S. Attorney Jay Stephens, in a scathing, 19-page motion filed a day before Barry's sentencing, said the mayor should be given the stiffest sentence possible because of his ''brazen disregard'' for the law.

Stephens said Barry's conduct hampered drug enforcement in the city and had a ''devastating effect'' on the youth of a city with a heavy drug burden and the nation's highest homicide rate, most of the slayings related to narcotics trafficking.

''The defendant is not genuinely remorseful about his criminality,'' Stephens wrote. ''He is sorry only that he got caught.''

The brief accused the three-term mayor of obstructing justice by lying to a grand jury about drug use, and it urged U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson to render the maximum sentence of one year in prison. Barry also could be fined $100,000.

Barry's ''failure to express any true remorse for his underlying criminal conduct, his activities designed to obstruct the investigation of those criminal activities, and his abuse of public trust ... mandate that his offense level be established at a level 10. This would allow the court to impose a sentence of incarceration of up to the statutory maximum,'' the brief said.

Stephens said that only by imposing a ''substantial sentence'' on Barry could the city ''convince international officials that we are serious about eradicating the demand for drugs, so much so that when a key lieutenant in our war on drugs crosses over to the other side, a harsh penalty will be imposed.''

Barry's sentencing Friday comes 2 1/2 months after a jury convicted him on a single count of drug possession, acquitted him on another and deadlocked on 12 other counts.

The mayor's lawyer, R. Kenneth Mundy, is expected to argue that Barry should not be sent to prison because he is a first-time drug offender.

Under federal guidelines, sentences for first offenders for drug possession typically range from probation to six months in prison. Barry's chances of getting a prison term apparently are enhanced based on the government brief and a pre-sentencing report given to Jackson by the U.S. Probation Office.

The government's brief and the pre-sentencing report urged Jackson to exercise his option of giving a more severe sentence to Barry because of his failure to accept responsibility for his offense.

Barry tried to ''unnerve'' witnesses testifying against him, ''cavalierly compromised'' the integrity of his police body guards and ''besmirched the dignity'' of the office of mayor, Stephens wrote.

Paul Martin, a spokesman for the U.S. Sentencing Commission, said Thursday that if Jackson agrees Barry obstructed justice ''there will be some confinement.''

If Barry is given jail time, or ordered to spend nights or weekends at a halfway house, he would not have to resign as mayor because he was convicted of a misdemeanor. Under city law, he also could still run for the at-large City Council seat in the Nov. 6 elections.

Barry, whose 12 years as mayor comes to an end Jan. 2, would have been forced to step down only if jailed after a felony conviction.

Stephens said because Barry was the ''highest-ranking municipal official in the nation's capital, it is near impossible to overstate the gravity of his conduct.''

Stephens charged that while Barry was convicted only for a single act of cocaine possession, it was only one of ''hundreds of illegal drug transactions in which he was involved.''

''(Barry's) drug activity reduced his anti-drug message - 'Down with dope, up with hope!' - to 'Do as I say, not as I do,''' said Stephens.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker is expected to travel to Saudi Arabia within the next 10 days to secure Saudi permission for a military strike against Iraq if that option is deemed necessary, sources said Thursday.

Diplomatic sources said the latest decision is a strong signal to Iraq that the United States is deadly serious about its stand that Saddam Hussein must unconditionally withdraw his troops from Kuwait.

Prince Bandar Bin Sultan, the Saudi ambassador to the United States, met with Undersecretary of State for Political Affairs Robert Kimmitt and the State Department's top expert on counter-terrorism, Morris Busbie.

As he left, Bandar said: ''The question of war and peace is in the hands of Saddam Hussein.''

Baker is expected to make a major Persian Gulf policy speech in Los Angeles on Monday and U.S. and other officials said the intended impression will be that hopes for a negotiated solution are shrinking and the chances for a military solution is growing.

In another move, Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney confirmed that the present U.S. force in Saudi Arabia, now standing at 210,000, may be increased soon by another 100,000 troops.

Baker's schedule is not complete, but the trip is expected to start during the first weekend of November.

The inclusion of Busbie in the Bandar meeting suggested, as Busbie said in an interview last week, that President Bush ''is deadly serious'' about any attack on the United States or its Arab allies.

The United States is concerned that terrorist attacks could be launched against Western or Arab nations allied against Iraq's invasion of its tiny oil-rich neighbor on Aug. 2.

The Speaker of the Egyptian Parliament was killed by terrorists who have been associated with Iraq, but no direct link has been made to Saddam.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 25) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday that the basic U.S. money supply, known as M1, fell $2.7 billion in the latest reporting week, while the broader monetary aggregate, M2, decreased by $1.6 billion and the broadest measure of all, M3, slipped by $2.0 billion.

M1, including cash, checking accounts and NOW accounts - money available for immediate spending - slipped to a seasonally adjusted average of $819.5 billion in the week ended Oct. 15, from a revised $822.2 billion the week before.

Over the past 13 weeks, M1 averaged $817.9 billion, up 5.1 percent from where it stood over the previous 13-week period, the central bank said.

The more broadly defined M2 averaged an estimated $3,323.6 billion in the latest week, off from a revised $3,325.2 billion. M2 includes M1 plus passbook savings, small time deposits such as money market deposit accounts, consumer money market mutual funds and other short-term assets.

M3, defined as M2 plus large time deposits, institutional money- market funds and securities repurchase agreements longer than one day at banks and thrifts, averaged $4,090.4 billion in the latest week, down from a revised $4,092.4 billion, the Fed said.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - A Continental Airlines Boeing 737 jetliner made a safe landing at Orlando International Airport in Florida today after blowing a tire on takeoff from Fort Myers. A Continential spokesman called the landing ''uneventful.'' NONE of the 86 people aboard the Newark, New Jersey- bound flight was injured.

Officials in St. Louis say the U-S Army has suspended night-time helicopter training flights over residential areas of the city. The flights on Monday and Tuesday nights prompted dozens of telephone calls from frightened residents.

Defense Secretary Cheney today said it's ''conceivable'' that the United States could send 100-thousand more troops to Saudi Arabia. Cheney says he would NOT ''over-emphasize'' the perception that more troops would establish an offensive force... but he did NOT deny it.

Britain is moving to improve relations with Iran. A diplomatic team leaves Saturday for Iran to re-open the British Embassy... which was closed last year because of a dispute about writer Salman Rushdie's book ''The Satanic Verses.''

The chief of the Soviet military staff made a landmark visit to NATO headquarters in Brussels, Belgium, today. He met with the 16 NATO chiefs of staff and called for a ''Europe free of military blocs.''

192 more insolvent savings and loans are to be sold or liquidated in the first half of 1991, under a plan adopted today by the Oversight Board of the Resolution Trust Corporation. If the plan is funded by Congress, it would bring to 479 the number of thrifts resolved by the government since August 1989.

The central Asian republic of Kazakhstan today became the 14th of 15 Soviet republics to seek at least partial independence from Moscow. The independent Interfax news agency reports Kazakhstan's Parliament declared state sovereignty.

A minor earthquake jolted residents in southern Alaska today... but NO damage or injuries were reported. The Alaska Tsunami Warning Center says the quake registered three-point-nine on the Richter scale. It was centered 130 miles northwest of Anchorage.

The condition of three soldiers critically wounded in Irish Republican Army attacks worsened today. Authorities say they will charge six men for suspected linkage to yesterday's wave of bombings... which killed seven people.

The World Wildife Fund warned today that Earth will soon face an ''ecological disaster'' because of global warming caused by air pollution and destruction of forests. The announcement comes from Geneva... where a 100-nation world climate conference will draft environmental guidelines next week.

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CARACAS, Venezuela (OCT. 25) UPI - The government will increase oil production with its own resources without adding more debt or by associating

with multinational companies, the head of state oil company said Thursday.

Andres Sosa Pietri, president of the state-owned oil company, said the increased production was part of a plan formulated after the Iraq invasion of Kuwait that led to a shortfall.

But projections of lower oil prices that will result from the end of the conflict have prompted the company to plan for a production increase using its own financial resources, he said.

''Venezuela and the other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries do not control prices in the oil market,'' he said.

''Basides, we know that there will be a severe drop in prices at the end of the Persian Gulf conflict, for which all the Venezuelan planning is based on lower prices.''

Venezuela has announced plans to increase its oil production from 2.8 million barrels a day to 4 million in the next five years at a cost of more than $10 billion.

Its present production is some 2.1 million barrels a day that is being slowly increased to 2.6 million by the end of the year.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - Middle-income Americans face a relatively modest increase in their overall taxes under the budget plan coalescing in Congress, squeezed mainly by higher levies for gasoline and other consumer goods.

Tax payments by those earning between $30,000 and $100,000 a year - comprising the largest segment of the population - will generally rise 2 percent or less, according to preliminary figures compiled by the House Ways and Means Committee.

By comparison, those earning $200,000 or more annually face an overall tax hike of 6.4 percent, accounting for $8.4 billion of the $18.5 billion in increased tax revenue the deficit-reduction package is expected to generate.

''Middle income people fair pretty well under this plan and for once can take some satisfaction that the rich are taking a harder hit,'' said Bruce Fischer, research director for Citizens for Tax Justice.

''No matter how you judge it ... it is eminently progressive,'' said Rep. William Gray, D-Pa., the third-ranking Democratic leader in the House.

Compared with the budget plan endorsed by President Bush Sept. 30 following

the budget summit at Andrews Air Force Base, the plan taking shape on Capitol Hill Thursday appears far less onerous for the middle class, Fischer said.

In particular, the earlier plan relied more heavily on higher gasoline taxes - an increase of 12 cents a gallon compared to the 5 cents a gallon now contemplated by Congress.

Although the proposed gasoline tax hike is smaller, it still poses a burden for the middle class, along with increases in taxes on alcoholic beverages, cigarettes, airline tickets, and to a lesser extent, luxury items such as furs and jewelry, Fischer said.

Additionally, middle-income elderly will be pinched by cutbacks in Medicare as they are required to pay higher premiums with higher deductibles.

The proposal to set the maximum tax rate for capital gains at 28 percent - down from 33 percent - will have ''virtually no effect'' on middle income earners, Fischer said. ''Middle-income people don't have capital gains.''

At the upper end of the middle-income scale, taxpayers will be hit by new limits on itemized deductions and by the increase in the amount of income subject to the 1.45 percent payroll tax for Medicare, said Norman Ture, president of the Institutte for Research on Economics of Taxation.

Based on the House Ways and Means Committee figures, those earning $30,000 to $40,000 a year and those making $40,000 to $50,000 would see a net tax increase of 2 percent under the new plan. Those earning $50, 000 to $75,000 would pay 1.5 percent more and those earning between $75, 000 and $100,000 would pay 2.2 percent more.

At the same time, the percentage of the nation's overall tax burden that each income group shoulders would remain virtually unchanged, the figures show.

Citizens for Tax Justice, calculating the effect differently, figured overall annual tax payments by a family of four would rise $141 on yearly income of $27,400; $158 on income of $39,200; $174 on income $54, 000 and $190 on income of $81,600.

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STANFORD, CA (OCT. 25) UPI - A woman donated a portion of her lung to her terminally ill daughter in what may be the first operation of its kind Thursday.

Dr. Vaughn A. Starnes, head of Stanford University Medical Center's heart-lung transplant program, said the 46-year-old woman gave about one-third of her right lung to her dying 12-year-old daughter.

Both mother and daughter, who requested anonymity, were in good condition after the operation.

The girl was given tissue from her mother rather than from an unrelated brain-dead donor - as is more common - ''with the hope of lessening the high rate of intense life-threatening rejection children have encountered in transplants involving the lungs,'' Starnes said.

The four-hour transplant operation was conducted after the girl's right lung was removed because she suffers from a rare condition called bronchopulmonary dysplasia.

Symptoms of the disease include scarring and high blood pressure of the lungs and is common among premature infants supported for long periods by a respirator.

''The (donated) lobe is expected to function as an entire lung,'' said Starnes an assistant professor of cardiovascular surgery at the medical center.

He said kidneys and parts of livers have been transplanted from living donors, but he was unaware of any other case in which a portion of a lung had been removed from a living donor for transplant.

Both mother and daughter are expected to resume normal lives within a few months. Without the surgery, the girl would have died within 18 months, Starnes said.

He said he was unsure why children reject transplants at double the rate of adults, ''although it might have something to do with their more active immune systems.''

''The mother was a far closer tissue match than could have been expected from an unrelated donor,'' Starnes said.

The pair matched on four of six factors of compatibility. In a total of 88 heart and lung operations and 14 lung transplants at Stanford since 1981, no more than two factors have matched between donor and patient, he said.

Although both of the girl's lungs were damaged, Starnes said the single transplant would allow her to live a normal, healthy life.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 25) UPI - The former president of a suburban savings and loan pleaded guilty Thursday to charges of misappropriation of bank funds and conspiracy in a fraud scheme that led to the collapse of two federally insured

thrifts.

The guilty plea by John Franklin Rosch, former Glen Ellyn Savings and Loan president, came on the fourth day of his trial in U.S. District Court. Rosch, 52, had pleaded innocent but changed his plea on the advice of his lawyer, Rick Halprin.

''I advised him bank officers can much more easily fall prey to the judgments that put them in violation of criminal law,'' Halprin said. ''You don't have to have evil intent. You just have to break the rules (of safe lending) and have it come out badly.''

Rosch could face up to 24 years in prison. Sentencing was scheduled for Dec. 14.

Six defendants indicted with Rosch for taking part in the fraud scheme entered guilty pleas earlier and one of them - attorney Michael Pietrzak - testified as a prosecution witness Wednesday.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Steve Miller said the seven defendants concocted a complex scheme that made Glen Ellyn Savings the center of a network of illicit loans to finance risky investments.

When the investments went belly up and the borrowers defaulted, Glen Ellyn Savings collapsed and was taken over by federal regulators in 1985. The collapse, in turn, led to the failure of First Savings and Loan of South Beloit, Ill.

At the center of the sceme was James Reagin, who controlled McRea Inc., a Dallas real estate investestment firm that provided investment services and advice, primarily to Dallas area dentists.

But McRea was in debt to a long list of thrifts - and found itself borrowing money from one thrift to pay off another.

Prosecutors said Reagin decided the best way to gain access to ready cash was to own a thrift. But Miller said that, because of his track record at McRea Reagin feared he would never win the regulatory approval needed to make such a purchase.

So he paid $1 million for the right to buy Glen Ellyn Savings and to arrange for the stock to be held by associates.

The scheme did not draw regulatory attention until Glen Ellyn Savings went bust - losing $15 million - and a routine examination revealed the network of loans to Reagin and associates.

Prosecutors said that, between July 1984 and September 1985, Rosch authorized

loans totaling more than $20 million to Reagin and his associates. All were highly speculative, ranging from $1.3 million for a horse farm to $9.6 million for a Florida marina that was never completed.

Most of the loans were never repaid.

Reagin, 58, of Houston, has pleaded guilty to six criminal counts - including participating in a scheme to artificially inflate the value of some Ocala, Fla., property,

He also has pleaded guilty to conspiracy and fraud charges in an unrelated case involving a $60 million loan obtained from Western Savings Association of Dallas, which also failed and was taken over by federal regulators.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - Five years ago, Congress gambled - successfully, by most accounts - that larger exports would pull agriculture out of its worst slump in 50 years. The new farm policy bill, sent Thursday to President Bush, represents a new wager.

This time, Congress is betting that giving farmers more freedom to decide which crops to grow will make up for a smaller government safety net. The farm bill is the vehicle for a projected 25 percent cut in farm subsidies, a part of the spending cuts required to control the federal deficit.

''These cuts will be painful for our farmers. But we made every effort to share the pain fairly,'' said Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., who told colleagues the bill would be ''one of the most important environmental laws'' this year.

By 60-36 vote late Thursday, the Senate gave final congressional approval to the farm bill.

Bush was expected to sign the legislation, which sets the terms for farm supports, food aid, export promotion, agricultural research and public feeding programs for the next five years.

It proposes significant steps to preserve wetlands and protect water supplies from contamination by farm chemicals, along with creating the first-ever nationwide rules on what can be called organic food.

In writing the farm bill, lawmakers reluctantly embraced the so- called triple base plan. It would make 15 percent of the wheat, feed grain, cotton and rice land ineligible for subsidies but would allow farmers to grow crops on the land.

Farm-state congressmen took the precaution of making triple base and other spending cuts contingent on passage of a budget bill. If it passes, farm spending would drop to about $40.8 billion over five years. It would revert to $54 billion if there is no budget agreement.

In either case, crop target prices, a key factor in calculating subsidy payments, would be frozen at this year's level. Loan rates would rise slightly.

Proponents said the farm bill was the best that could be expected in difficult times. Critics loudly said it was not good enough. Sen. Tom Daschle, D-S.D., called it ''terribly unfair ... a slow economic death sentence for the nation's small farmers.''

Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D., said lower government spending would translate directly into lower farm income.

''The fact is, American farmers will determine their income,'' responded Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., arguing triple base ''can be looked at as an opportunity'' to experiment with new crops.

Triple base would be accompanied by a 10 percent ''planting flexibility'' program. It has similar rules as triple base but would be voluntary.

Farmers generally have expressed pleasure with the 1985 farm law - the most expensive farm bill ever at $78 billion - but complained restrictive rules lock them into growing the same crop year after year. That has been cited as one reason why soybean acreage has dropped despite booming world demand.

The 1985 law aimed at gaining a larger share of the world market while protecting farm income. Exports have zoomed to $40 billion in fiscal 1990. Net cash farm income, $36.8 billion in 1984, is forecast for a record $60 billion this year.

Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, said the farm bill would give farmers some cropping freedom but worried ''their safety net is removed.''

One of the few crop initiatives to survive in the bill was a proposal to create a marketing loan for soybeans and other oilseeds, although the $5.02 a bushel rate for soybeans is far lower rate than first proposed.

Triple base is an untested idea but congressmen preferred it to any further cuts in target prices, which are down 10 percent since 1985. Agriculture Department studies foresee fairly modest shifts under triple base considering 20 million to 25 million acres could be covered each year.

Corn acreage is projected to drop slightly, soybean and cotton acreage to rise somewhat and wheat to be stable. Soybean acreage was most likely to increase in the Midwest and to decline in the South, where yields are lower.

Critics say triple base will have little value to farmers who live where the climate allows few crop choices - wheat in the Great Plains, for instance.

Farm organizations complained about the huge cuts assigned to agriculture but said the farm bill probably was the best choice possible.

The 1985 farm policy law was a milestone as the first to link environmental and farm program goals. It required farmers to practice soil conservation to be eligible for crop supports.

The new farm bill would strengthen the rules against converting wetlands to crop land and require farmers and other pesticide users to keep records on applications of restricted-use pesticides.

To protect water purity, there would be a wetlands reserve of up to 1 million acres, created through purchase of conservation easements, and a water quality incentive program of up to 10 million acres. It would defray the cost to farmers for changing their practices to protect sensitive land.

Environmentalists hope the water quality program will lead to changes in land management that persist long after the final payment.

Budget pressures forced lawmakers to drop the idea of a $5 billion expansion in the food stamp program.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 25) UPI - Here are key provisions of the farm policy bill passed by Congress, which would freeze subsidy rates, reduce the number of acres eligible for subsidies, expand environmental protections and renew public food programs:

Crop flexibility

As part of spending cuts, allows ''triple base'' plan, which would reduce by 15 percent the wheat, feed grains, cotton and rice acreage eligible for support payments. Farmers could plant wheat, feed grains, cotton, rice, oilseeds such as soybeans and, except for fruits and vegetables, crops not covered by the farm program. Crops grown on triple base are eligible for government loans.

A voluntary 10 percent ''planting flexibility'' program would be offered. Rules on allowable crops are similar to triple base but limits may be applied on soybean planting.

Target prices

Frozen at this year's levels: $4 a bushel for wheat, $2.75 for corn, $2.36 for barley, $1.45 for oats, 72.9 cents a pound for cotton and $10.71 per 100 pounds of rice.

Loan rates

Calls for a slight increase in wheat and feed grain loan rates by changing the formula to calculate rates on the basis of 85 percent of the average price in the past 5 years. The Agriculture Department could reduce the rate by up to 20 percent.

Creates a marketing loan for soybeans and other oilseeds with rates for minor oilseeds, such as sunflowers, canola, flax and safflower, to be proportional to the $5.02-a-bushel rate for soybeans.

Cotton and rice marketing loans are retained with minimum rate of 50 cents a pound for cotton and $6.50 per 100 pounds of rice. A maximum reduction of 5 percent a year would be allowed.

Dairy

Sets the support price at a minimum of $10.10 per 100 pounds of milk, the current rate. The Agriculture Department will report by Aug. 1 on ways to control production if burdensome surpluses develop. If Congress does not act by Jan. 1, 1992, and surpluses are projected to exceed 7 billion pounds, the government can assess fee to cover cost of buying surpluses above the 7 billion-pound level.

As part of the budget cuts, a fee of 5 cents per 100 pounds of milk would be collected, increasing to 11 cents in 1992. The assessment can be refunded if a farmer has not increased production from the preceding year.

Sugar

The support price would be frozen at 18 cents a pound for raw sugar. The measure would guarantee imports of at least 1.25 million tons of foreign sugar with marketing quotas on domestic cane and beet sugar if necessary.

As part of the spending cuts, a 1 percent fee would be charged on loans.

Other commodities

The measure would reauthorize peanut, honey, wool and mohair support programs. As part of the spending cuts, there would be a 2 percent loan origination fee and a 1 percent service fee on peanut, honey and tobacco loans; 1 percent would be deducted from wool and mohair payments.

Payment limits

The measure would reduces to $250,000 the maximum amount farmers can receive in farm payments, either directly or through affiliated businesses. The limit now effectively is $500,000. The measure would continue the $50,000 limit on crop subsidy payments and sets a new limit of $75,000 on money from marketing loans, loan deficiency payments and the so-called Findley payments made when market prices are particularly low.

Payments under honey, wool and mohair programs would be racheted down from $200,000 in 1991 to $125,000 by 1994.

Public nutrition

The measure would reauthorizes the food stamp program but simplify rules and impose additional penalties for fraud and misuse of food stamp coupons. It would try to expand the program by $5 billion in honor of the late Rep. Mickey Leland, D-Texas, a provision that had been dropped due to lack of funding.

The Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program and Commodity Supplemental Food Program also would be reauthorized for five years.

Conservation

The measure would expand the list of federal benefits that can be lost by farmers who violate the so-called conservation compliance rule, which requires farmers to control erosion, or who violate ''sodbuster'' rule by putting fragile lands into crop production.

It would strengthen ''swampbuster'' rules against converting wetlands to crop production by making it easier to catch violations, but it also would create graduated fines ranging from $750 to $10,000 for accidental violations. Allows farmers to eliminate ''nuisance'' spots if they restore wetland of at least the same size.

The measure would extend the Conservation Reserve Program, the largest long-term land retirement program ever, with enrollment to total at least 40 million acres and maximum of 45 million acres. Enrollment can include highly erodible land, shelterbelts, windbreaks, marginal pasture land planted to trees and environmentally sensitive land.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - The White House held a kiss-and-make-up photo session with Republican leaders today to make light of divisions caused by the budget mess. President Bush characterized the budget as ''just one matter'' on the agenda before next month's elections. Assistant House Republican leader Newt

Gingrich... who opposed the president's flip-flop on raising taxes... said there's a lot more at stake than what he called ''one 15- minute vote.''

Czechoslovakia took a major step toward a market economy today, but NOT everyone is happy with it. Under a new law approved by Parliament, thousands of state-owned shops and small businesses will be auctioned off. The businesses are expected to be sold for a fraction of their value. Shopworkers staged walkouts in an unsuccessful demand for the right of first bid to buy their shops.

Fire officials in Lincoln, Nebraska, say they will let a fire in a huge pile of tires burn itself out. Arson is suspected in the blaze first spotted this morning. Firefighters are using heavy equipment to move some of the 50-thousand to 100-thousand tires away from the fire. The county health department director says letting the fire burn consumes more toxins and reduces the health dangers of the smoke.

A Continental Airlines jetliner made a safe landing at Orlando, Florida, today... after it blew a tire on take-off from Fort Myers. A Continental spokesman says the landing was ''uneventful.'' The Boeing 737 was bound for Newark, New Jersey, when it blew a tire on take-off from the Southwest Florida Regional Airport at Fort Myers. It was immediately diverted to Orlando. Officials say the tire was one of two on the right landing gear.

Testimony today in Scotland indicates that officials received a tip prior to the December 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 but turned their attention to the wrong aircraft. A former Heathrow Airport security officer says he was put on alert to clear a Pan Am flight that left London seven hours before Flight 103.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 25) UPI - Diaper maker Dandees Enterprises, which has claimed that its diapers are biodegradable, announced Thursday it will remove the term from its packaging by the year's end.

The Los Angeles company, the second Southern California diaper maker to do so, said it was taking the action in response to a state law going into effect next year restricting use of the term ''biodegradable'' to products that decompose within one year through natural biological processes.

Dandees went public with a $3 million offering late last year and began selling its ''biodegradable'' diapers earlier this year.

''We strongly believe that our product is environmentally beneficial and, based on documented test data, has the capacity to break down in three to five years in an active landfill,'' said Donald A. Lazar, Dandees' president.

''But, we do not presently have available to us the necessary verification to establish that our diapers are biodegradable within the new statutory definition and will therefore modify our labeling appropriately,'' Lazar said.

The move comes a week after American Enviro of Placentia was forced to drop the claim that its ''Bunnies'' diapers were biodegradable.

American Enviro also launched a new line of diapers that are made with a cotton core, rather than wood pulp, thus saving trees from being cut.

Disposable diapers represent about 2 percent of the nation's solid waste per year, with 18 billion tossed out annually.

The major disposable diaper companies - Kimberly-Clark Corp. (Huggies) and Proctor & Gamble Co. (Pampers and Luvs) - have claimed that the diapers can't degrade because most landfills are covered.

The two companies, which have about 80 percent of the $3-billion-plus disposable diaper business, point out that they are producing less bulky diapers and looking for ways to cut the impact of diapers on the waste system.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - Budget negotiators are meeting on Capitol Hill... trying to nail down the last elements of a new compromise plan that has the support of House Democrats and, apparently, of President Bush. Senate Republican leader Robert Dole says ''at least two dozen issues'' are still UNresolved... including some spending cuts and tax items. But House Budget Committee Chairman Leon Panetta says he feels there is a ''drive toward conclusion'' of the budget process.

Congress is pushing to finish its work so it can adjourn for the year sometime during the weekend. The main roadblock to adjournment is the budget agreement... but that pact reportedly is nearly wrapped up, with a vote expected in the House tomorrow. Other major items still to be acted on are the clean air bill... the housing and farm bills... and possibly an anti-crime package and a child-care bill.

As many as 100-thousand additional troops might be sent to Saudi Arabia. Defense Secretary Cheney says ''it's conceivable'' the increase might be that large. He also says troops being withdrawn from Western Europe might be among the additional forces sent to the Persian Gulf. It's believed the increase is sought by U-S military officials so they would have the power to attack, if necessary.

NATO is making a major strategic change by allowing its forces to be quickly

moved from one command to another. Last spring, the Western military alliance said it would put troops from several countries under a common command. Today's announcement by a top NATO general in Brussels, Belgium, is meant to make up for smaller forces with increased flexibility to defuse any crisis.

A worldwide conference of scientists is debating whether the bald eagle is merely threatened rather than endangered. Eagle populations have doubled or tripled in some areas since 1980. This has led the U-S Fish and Wildlife Service to believe the bird should be taken off the endangered list. But some at the conference of the Raptor Research Foundation in Allentown, Pennsylvania say it's premature to reclassify the birds.

Researchers say a giant galaxy at the heart of a distant cluster of galaxies may be the largest such object in the known universe. Researchers measured the light surrounding the galaxy, and say the huge group of stars has a diameter of six-Million light years. That's 60 times wider than Earth's Milky Way galaxy. The distant galaxy is one-BILLION light years from Earth.

The U-S Border Patrol made its biggest cocaine seizure ever today. Border guards seized almost 44-hundred pounds of cocaine near Nogales, Arizona... but only after a fiery gun battle with smugglers in a caravan of about 40 horses. Authorities say NO one was injured and the smugglers fled into Mexico. Federal agents estimate the value of the cocaine at nearly 200-Million dollars.

Author Salman Rushdie says he never meant to offend the Moslem world with his book ''The Satanic Verses.'' In a television interview, Rushdie denied accusations his book calls the wives of Moslem prophets ''whores.'' The Indian-born author has been in hiding in London under guard by Scotland Yard since Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini put a death sentence on his head because of his book.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - New taxes on cigarettes, alcohol and gasoline are projected to produce revenues of some 15-BILLION dollars. But observers say the proposed new taxes could backfire and cause people on fixed or limited incomes to cut down on their smoking, drinking and driving. In that case, the revenues likely would be less than projected. The so-called ''sin tax'' hikes are part of the proposed federal budget package, and are expected to hit low-income people the hardest.

The worst of the petroleum shortfall caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait apparently is over. Energy Department expert Calvin Kent told a Senate panel today that the worst of the crisis is ''definitely behind us''... unless fighting begins in the Middle East. He says much of the oil production lost because of the Iraqi invasion is being made up by increased production in the United States and other countries. More than half the extra oil is from Saudi

Arabia.

Israel's Labor Party is urging Israel to receive a low-ranking U-N delegation ''to prevent a clash with the United States.'' The United States last night joined a U-N Security Council resolution that condemned Israel for refusing a U-N investigation into the killing of at least 20 Palestinians in Jerusalem earlier this month. The Israeli government expressed disappointment at the U-S vote.

Opening statements were presented today in Dallas in the trial of indicted savings-and-loan king Don Dixon. Federal prosecutors say Dixon squeezed bank officers and borrowers to pay for prostitutes and a two- Million-dollar ''party and sex'' beach home in California. Defense attorneys say Dixon, owner of the failed Vernon Savings and Loan, did what he had to do to survive. Dixon is accused of concealing payments to politicians and prostitutes.

A senior African National Congress official has accused Israel of beginning to emulate Adolf Hitler in a ''campaign of terror'' against the occupied territories. Steve Tshwete... a member of the A-N-C's policy-making National Executive Committee... made the group's strongest attack yet on Israel at a pro-Palestinian meeting in Johannesburg last night.

14 more people were killed today in clashes between Hindus and Moslems in India, raising the death toll in two days of violence to 68. The violence erupted yesterday during a nation-wide strike called by the right-wing Bharatiya Janata Party. The strike was a protest against the arrest of B-J-P's president. That arrest prompted B-J-P to withdraw its parliamentary support for the coalition government... throwing the government into a political crisis.

Hungary's top court has outlawed the death penalty. The Constitutional Court ruled in Budapest last night that life ''is a fundamental and inalienable right.'' More than 300 people were executed in Hungary following the failed 1956 uprising. Most Hungarian newspapers welcomed the decision... but some questioned its timing during a sharp increase in violent crime.

A news survey indicates young adults are concerned about the pressure placed on working U-S women. The Time magazine poll of 505 men and women between 18 and 24 reported that 82 percent say it is ''very difficult'' or ''somewhat difficult'' for women to have a career, marriage and children. Almost half the men say they would be interested in staying home and raising their children if they could.

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(OCT. 25) UPI - Diplomatic sources report Secretary of State Baker will travel to Saudi Arabia in the next 10 days to arrange Saudi approval for a

possible military offensive against Iraq. Says the Saudi ambassador in Washington- ''The question of war and peace is in the hands of Saddam Hussein.''

A member of the Lebanese cabinet says Syria and Iran are discussing the release of 12 foreign hostages in Beirut. The Shiite Moslem politician with ties to Syria says ''there has been great progress toward resolving'' the crisis.

House Budget Committee Chairman Leon Panetta says ''every American family is going to have to bear part of the sacrifice'' as Congress completes a new budget plan. The deficit-reduction program now under consideration calls for new gas and excise taxes and higher taxes for the rich.

The Senate this evening passed a new farm bill leading to a projected 25-percent cut in subsidies... sending the legislation on to President Bush, who's expected to sign it. Vermont Democrat Patrick Leahy called the farm cuts ''painful.''

Officials in Northern Ireland say they have linked six suspects to yesterday's Irish Republican Army bombings. The blasts left six soldiers and one civilian dead and 21 people wounded.

Residents of a black township outside Cape Town clashed with police for a second straight day. A member of the South African Parliament accused police of ''shocking behavior'' and ''indiscriminate shooting,'' leaving a total of seven people dead in two days.

The Salvadoran army claims to have killed five rebels in a raid on a guerrilla training base 15 miles east of San Salvador. 15 rebels were wounded and one government soldier was killed in the skirmish.

The Asian republic of Kazakhstan has become the 14th of 15 Soviet republics to declare at least partial independence from Moscow. In Moldavia, the government is massing security forces in an attempt to put down a secession movement by a Turkish minority.

The U-S attorney's office in Washington, D-C, is arguing for a maximum sentence of one year in jail for disgraced Mayor Marion Barry. Barry will be sentenced tomorrow for his one conviction on misdemeanor drug possession.

Scientists are fighting against an anti-drug campaign in Houston. They say helium balloons distributed in the campaign could eventually drift into the ocean and be devoured by endangered sea turtles mistaking them for jellyfish. The balloons could kill the turtles by blocking their digestive systems.

The city of Philadelphia is withdrawing Japanese-made Crown condoms from an AIDS-prevention program. The city gave out 30-thousand condoms since beginning

the program in April, but received complaints about them being defective.

An official for Japan's Okamoto Industries says the people who complained- in his words- ''probably didn't know how to properly use the condoms.''

Dallas city officials have ordered fig leaves placed on a series of three-foot-tall sculptures of female nudes on exhibit at the City Hall. The artist calls the censorship ''silly and kind of sad.''

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BOULDER, CO (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Paul D. Whittle, president of AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL PRODUCTS INC., (NASDAQ:AMEP), Friday announced the results of third quarter operations ended Sept. 30, 1990.

AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL PRODUCTS INC. has once again achieved record sales and profits for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Sales for the three months ending Sept. 30, 1990, were $1,232,291 up 22 percent from the $1,006,471 reported for the third quarter of 1989. After-tax earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $127,639, or $.061 per share, as compared to the $121,283, or $.066 per share reported for the same period in 1989.

The after-tax profits for the first nine months of 1990 were $312,296, or 15 cents per share, based on sales of $3,261,237 an increase of 35 percent from the 1989 nine month profits of $231,565, or $.127 per share on sales of $2,675,156.

On Sept. 17, 1990, the company completed a year-long effort to sign an agreement to purchase 30-year-old Hubbard Scientific Inc., a leading supplier of educational science materials. The company's planned acquisition of Hubbard Scientific Inc., is scheduled to close in the fourth quarter of 1990. The closing date is dependant on the company's investment bankers, Boettcher and Co., securing the necessary financing commitments.

This move reinforces the company's corporate commitment to continued growth and expansion through internal development and the acquisition of companies in the educational industry that afford product compatibility and potential new markets as well as strong sales and profitability. Plans for the future include a strengthening of the already existing dealer relationships, a focussed product development program, revision of existing product where necessary and increased coverage of Hubbard products in the company's Summit Learning Science catalog.

American Educational Products Inc. is a NASDAQ listed firm (AMEP) that specializes in the design, manufacture and distribution of educational mathematics and earth science/geology products to the nation's school systems.

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COLUMBUS, IND. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Cummins Engine Co. Inc., Friday announced that its tender offer for any and all of its outstanding Liquid Yield Option Notes due 2005 (LYONs) at $270 per $1,000 principal amount, net to the seller in cash, expired at 12:00 midnight (EDT) on Thursday, Oct. 25, 1990.

Of the $375,000,000 principal amount of LYONs outstanding prior to the expiration of the offer, $180,830,000 principal amount of LYONs were tendered prior to the expiration of the offer and were accepted for payment (and thereby purchased) by the company. Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc. acted as dealer manager for the offer and First Chicago Trust Co. was the information agent and depositary.

Cummins, headquartered in Columbus, is a major producer of diesel engines, components and power systems for trucks and industrial equipment.

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Ann C. Smith, 812/377-3524

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COLUMBUS, IND. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE -

Cummins Engine Co. Inc., Friday reported a third-quarter net loss of $33.7 million, or $2.55 per common share, on net sales of $829.8 million during the quarter which ended Sept. 30.

In the third quarter of 1989, Cummins reported a net loss of $39.7 million, or $4.12 per common share, on net sales of $807.3 million.

Cummins said third-quarter results were adversely affected by several factors, including accelerated decline in demand for North American heavy-duty truck engines, softening of related markets for components and replacement parts, and reduced sales of generator sets.

The company also made an addition of $18.2 million to the accrual for extended product coverage programs. While corrective product changes have been implemented successfully, this addition covers the anticipated costs to repair products previously sold under these programs.

These factors were partially offset by a $22.1 million extraordinary gain realized on the company's repurchase of a portion of its outstanding debt.

In response to depressed demand in its major market, heavy-duty trucks, Cummins is reducing expense items and capital spending from planned levels. Additional recent measures to cut costs have included voluntary unpaid leave by hourly employees, salary and wage decreases, and reduction of engine assembly to one shift at Cummins' headquarters facilities in Columbus.

The company also has reduced its salaried and hourly work force in all business groups by more than 300 employees worldwide, and expects to make further reductions in coming months. The company announced today that it will reduce its production work force in the Columbus area by approximately 210 employees, including layoff of approximately 175 on Nov. 4 and voluntary unpaid leave for approximately 35 others.

Cummins now has in service more than 1,000 1991 model heavy-duty truck engines which meet new federal emissions regulations effective Jan. 1, 1991. These products are being well-accepted in the marketplace. While demand for heavy-duty engines has declined, sales of the company's B and C Series engines have continued to increase and their margins have continued to improve.

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Ann C. Smith, 812/377-3524

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LAFAYETTE, COLO. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Aspen Ribbons Inc. (NASDAQ:ARIB) announced Friday earnings of $100,395, or 3 cents per share, on revenues of $4,585,806 for its fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Earnings last year were $339,875, or 9 cents per share, on revenues of $4,958,957 for the same quarter.

These results are consistent with an announcement on the company made on Sept. 17, 1990, when President Peter C. Williams cited increased competition as the primary reason for lower revenue.

''Exciting opportunities are presenting themselves for our toner line for page printers which we see as our highest growth area,'' said Williams. ''We also have 15 new ribbon products scheduled for introduction before the end of the year.''

Aspen Ribbons is a leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of ribbon cartridges and laser printer cartridges for the computer printer industry.

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Florine N. Nath, 303/666-5750

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MOUNTLAKE TERRACE, WASH. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Sea Galley Stores Inc. (SEAG) Friday announced results for the 12-week period ended Sept. 9, 1990, and its plans to dispose of its Ranch & Home subsidiary.

Twenty operating units produced third quarter sales of $7,964,000 and incurred a net loss of $1,968,000, or 63 cents per share. Such loss resulted primarily from a $1,050,000 provision for the write down of assets in connection with the sale of two Ranch & Home stores, a $418,000 operating loss and a $250,000 provision for severance payments.

For comparison, the third quarter 1989 net loss was $576,000, or 19 cents per share, on sales of $13,066,000 generated by 38 operating units. Same-store sales decreased 3.6 percent in the third quarter over last year's third quarter.

Pursuant to its plan, on Oct. 3, 1990, Sea Galley sold two of the three Ranch & Home retail outlets for approximately $750,000 in cash, $500,000 in a short-term note and $800,000 in debt cancellation. Kim A. Krieg, president and chief executive officer, said, ''The sale of the Ranch & Home stores was completed as part of our strategy to streamline our management functions and to refocus our efforts on Sea Galley's core restaurant business. Proceeds from the sale will be redeployed to achieve improved financial results in our restaurant operations.''

In connection with its plan to dispose of its Ranch & Home subsidiary and to reduce its corporate overhead, Sea Galley reported that Steven B. Dowen, president of the Ranch & Home subsidiary, and David A. Mahnke, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Sea Galley, have resigned from their officer and director positions with the company. The company negotiated severance arrangements with both Dowen and Mahnke in connection with their departures.

''We are satisfied with the progress on corporate, general and administrative expense reductions. Our primary focus is on increasing revenues through the development of our new menu and employee training programs. The opportunity we have to improve guest satisfaction is exciting as we begin testing our new menu,'' Krieg added.

CONTACT: Sea Galley Stores Inc., Mountlake Terrace

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TUSTIN, CA (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - UPSONIC Friday introduced a new family of Uninterruptible Power Supplies for protecting micro and mini computers, LANS and file servers, telecommunications equipment and other sensitive electronic equipment.

The UPS 1000 series is a cousin to UPSONIC's popular PC Might family, offering higher power with longer backup protection and wider applications.

The UL listed UPS 1000 family consists of seven sinewave models with output ratings from 200 to 1,500VA. At full load, these off-line systems provide eight to 15 minutes of battery backup operation.

This powerful UPS series features: constant transient and noise protection, Pulse Width Modulation (PWM) sinewave output, visual and audible indication of battery backup operation, automatic internal battery charger and self-contained maintenance-free batteries.

All models include: front panel indicators that signal the presence of AC input power, operation in backup mode and reversed polarity at the AC input source. The rear panels include: an input circuit breaker for overload protection, computer interface connector, voltage range switch and output receptacles.

Models 200, 300, 800 and 1500 are ideally suited for protecting micro and mini computers, LANs and file servers, and telecommunications equipment.

Models 600 and 1250 tower models are specifically designed for Novell NetWare file servers, NCR tower, DEC Micro VAX II and Prime 2350/2450 systems.

The Slim 1000 model, which fits between the computer and monitor, protects IBM PC, XT, AT and compatibles along with IBM PS/2 Models 25, 39, 50 and 60.

List prices range from $408 to $1,214 and all models are available for immediate delivery.

UPSONIC's Uninterruptible Power Supplies are currently protecting over a quarter-million computer systems. UPSONIC supplies complete uninterruptible power supply systems in a wide range of power ratings for mini and micro computers, telecommunications and sensitive electronic instrumentation.

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Jennings & Associates, San Diego
P.J. Jennings, 619/431-5121

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Hardy Instruments Friday introduced the first weight controller that continuously and accurately records and displays units of weight, regardless of how strong the vibration or motion frequency to which the machinery is subject.

The HI 2151/20WC with unique WAVERSAVER circuitry uses the latest electronic microprocessors to update 20 weight readings per second and displays the results incrementally with a resolution of 1:1,000,000. The WAVERSAVER circuitry screens out the vibration through a highly innovative system that utilizes a 20-bit A-to-D converter with selectable cutoff frequencies.

Hardy's new weight controller is ideal for the process industry because of its flexibility in virtually every segment of process control. Regardless of what it measures, elements such as food ingredients, dry chemicals and pharmaceutical mixtures, soap or ceramic mixtures, etc., need or encounter vibration in moving the materials into the production process.

Hardy's HI 2151/20WC with WAVERSAVER capability has eliminated the inaccuracies of weighing under these strong vibrational conditions.

In spite of the vibration in the process being controlled, the ease of use, repeatable accuracy and data interchangeability are the prime features in the functioning of the HI 2151/20WC. Setup and calibration are done through the front panel keys. The front panel bezel is NEMA 4.

As additional data backup, all calibration data and certain operational parameters are stored in a non-volatile Secure Memory Module, which is interchangeable with off-the-shelf units. This interchangeability allows for the temporary replacement of a unit in a system within :20 minutes, eliminating the need for immediate calibration.

Hardy Instruments, a subsidiary of Dynamic Instruments Inc., has been a leader in the industrial weighing field for more than 70 years and is known for its innovative approaches to precision instrumentation in the industrial weighing field.

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BROOMFIELD, CO (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Hathaway Corp. Friday announced earnings of $900,000, or 21 cents per share, for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to a net loss from continuing operations of $246,000, or six cents per share, and a net loss of $344,000, or eight cents per share, for the first quarter of last year. Revenues for the first quarter were $11,333,000 compared with $11,701,000 last year.

Included in this year's first quarter results are a gain from the sale of the credit and accounts receivable management software system sold to Walker Interactive Systems of San Francisco by Global Software Inc. a wholly owned subsidiary of Hathaway. The product line sold for $6,575,000 and had revenues of approximately $5,700,000 for last fiscal year.

During the first quarter, the company also restructured certain of its operations and reevaluated certain of its software product lines and asset lives resulting in a write-down during the quarter.

The combination of the sale and write-down resulted in a net pretax gain of $1,919,000. Such pretax gain offset a pretax loss from other operations for the quarter of $748,000.

E. E. Prince, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said: "The decrease in revenues for the quarter is the result of revenue decreases experienced by the Systems Segment and the Software Segment, primarily reflecting the sale of the product line, partially offset by a 25 percent increase in the Motion Control Segment."

HATHAWAY CORP. FINANCIAL SUMMARY

For Three Months Ended	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net revenues	$ 11,333,000	$ 11,701,000
Net income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	1,171,000	(234,000)
Income tax expense	(271,000)	(12,000)
Net income (loss) from continuing operations	900,000	(246,000)
Net loss from discontinued operations	--	(98,000)
Net income (loss)	$ 900,000	$ (344,000)
Earnings (loss) per share		
Continuing	$ .21	$ (.06)
Discontinued	--	(.02)
Net loss per share	$ .21	$ (.08)
Common & common		

equivalent shares	4,330,020	4,216,342

CONTACT: Hathaway Corp., Broomfield, Richard Smith, (303) 460-1500.

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CLEVELAND, OHIO (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Ferro Corporation (NYSE-FOE), Cleveland-based producer of specialty materials, today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 16 cents per share on common stock, payable December 10, 1990 to shareholders of record as of November 15, 1990.

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-30- 642

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SAN MATEO, CA (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Bay View Capital Corp., (NASDAQ:BVFS) holding company for Bay View Federal Bank, announced Friday that it is commencing a stock repurchase program to acquire up to 350,000 shares, or approximately 5.1 percent, of the corporations' outstanding common stock.

The program is expected to be completed within 12 months, subject to market conditions.

In making this announcement, Robert E. Barnes, president and chief executive officer, stated: ''In view of the current market value of our common stock, combined with the corporation's strong financial condition, we consider the stock to be an attractive investment.''

According to Barnes, the repurchases generally would be effected from time to time through open market purchases, although he did not rule out the possibility of unsolicited negotiated transactions or other types of repurchases.

Bay View Federal Bank exceeds all regulatory capital requirements applicable to savings institutions and will continue to exceed those requirements after completion of the stock repurchase program.

On Oct. 25, Bay View Capital Corp. announced that earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $5.0 million (74 cents per share) compared with $3.9 million (64 cents per share) for the third quarter of 1989. Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $14.9 million ($2.36 per share) compared with $11.8 million ($1.93 per share) for the comparable period in 1989.

Bay View Federal Bank, headquartered in San Mateo, Calif., is the sole

subsidiary of Bay View Capital Corp. Bay View Federal Bank has 21 branch offices and 3 loan production offices serving principally the San Francisco Bay Area.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Lufthansa German Airlines is the fourth international air carrier to select Litton's new LTN-101 FLAGSHIP laser gyro navigation system for its future fleet of Airbus A340 jetliners.

Lufthansa is scheduled to take delivery of the first of 15 LTN-101-equipped A340s in 1992, and has options to purchase 15 more of the new, four-engine aircraft.

Earlier, Sabena World Airlines of Belgium, UTA French Airlines and Air France had selected the Litton system for the A340 aircraft they have on order. Each aircraft installation will include three LTN-101 systems provided by Litton's Aero Products division, Moorpark, Calif.

''The FLAGSHIP system is 60 percent smaller than comparable equipment, resulting in lighter weight and lower power consumption,'' said Theodore Sprink, vice president of business development at Litton's Aero Products division. ''It has been designed for more than twice the reliability of similar systems.''

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems for U.S. and world markets.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Gull Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ:GULL) a leading manufacturer and marketer of high-quality medical diagnostics, Friday released forecasted results for the nine-months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and for the year-end.

While Gull expects record revenues of over $4 million for the nine months, the company anticipates a loss of approximately $100,000, or 2 cents per share, as a result of start-up costs associated with the internal funding of expanded business operations.

Dr. Myron Wentz, president and chairman of the board, stated, ''Gull took major steps to position itself for enhanced future growth by establishing three new operations, a health products packaging facility, a medical devices development group and a natural medicines manufacturing facility.

''These operations will position the company to expand from its presendt $50 million diagnostics market into healthcare markets of $1.2 billion. In order to take advantage of selected market opportunities, Gull increased expenditures by $1 million over the last nine months.''

These expenditures funded the development of a new product line of diagnostic test kits, the acquisition of state-of-the-art equipment for the health products packaging facility and additional manufacturing equipment at the natural medicines facility. The medical devices operation plans to begin marketing the first of its products in November of this year.

The natural medicines and medical packaging facilities are presently experiencing sales and are expected to start contributing to corporate profits by early in the first quarter of 1991.

Wentz further stated that the costs of expansion are expected to continue into the fourth quarter, resulting in a year-end loss of approximately $140,000, or 3 cents per share. ''I anticipate reaching record year-end sales of approximately $5.5 million and seeing results from our expansion efforts by the end of the year. I look forward to 1991 as being the beginning of an exciting new era for Gull Laboratories.''

Gull Laboratories Inc. develops, manufactures and markets high-quality diagnostic test kits for the detection of infectious diseases. The company markets these products to hospitals and clinical laboratories around the world.

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Carl Thompson Associates, Salt Lake City
Brad Knickerbocker or Shirley Jemison, 801/533-0303

-30- 2678

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VANCOUVER (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Roper Resources Inc. (ASE:RRN.) announced that the Thompson 1 Horizontal Well, located in the Pearsall field, is now producing oil.

During a six hour test on Oct. 26, the well produced oil at a rate of 1,200 BOPD with 300-400 MCFD of gas.

The test was conducted with a 32/64 choke and had a flowing pressure of 250

P.S.I.

The Company has a 6 percent working interest in this project and intends to proceed with further wells in its ongoing program of horizontal drilling in the Austin Chalk Trend.

The Alberta Stock Exchange has neither approved nor disapproved of the information contained herein.

CONTACT: Roper Resources Inc., Vancouver
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SCOTTS VALLEY, CA (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Brendan Hegarty, Seagate's senior vice president and chief technical officer, has been elected to the company's board of directors, expanding the board to eight members; and Gary B. Filler, a member of the board since 1985, has been elected vice chairman.

Hegarty joined Seagate (NASDAQ/NMS:SGAT) in 1989 in connection with the acquisition of Imprimis. Upon completion of the merger, Hegarty was appointed vice president, Components Group, and later senior vice president and chief technical officer.

Gary B. Filler is presently chief technical officer and chairman of the board at Burke Industries, a San Jose, California-based manufacturer of rubber products for military and industrial use.

Seagate Technology is the world's leading supplier of disc storage devices and components to original equipment manufacturers and remarketers.

CONTACT: Seagate Technology, Scotts Valley
Julie Still, 408/438-6550

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Broadcast International (NASDAQ:BRIN) Friday announced its results of operations for the third quarter and for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 168 percent to $4,314,000 as compared to $1,611,000 for the same period in 1989. Net earnings for the third quarter rose 135 percent to $422,000, or 10 cents per share, as compared to $182,000, or 4 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were approximately $10,576,000 as compared to $4,657,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income was approximately $754,000 or 17 cents per share, as compared with earnings of $687,000, or 16 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

The increase in revenues in 1990 includes revenues realized by the company's subsidiary, Market Information Corp., which was acquired in April 1990, and from increased customer satellite and third-party installation services.

The company also announced that because of unfavorable market conditions, it plans to delay its previously announced, underwritten securities offering of common stock until the conclusion of its proposed merger with CheckRite International Inc., which is presently expected to occur in December 1990. The company will continue to monitor market conditions in determining when or whether to proceed with the offering.

Broadcast International, headquartered in Salt Lake City, provides satellite-delivered business information and network services (including background music, point-of-purchase advertising and high-speed data transmission), satellite installation and maintenance services and video conferencing services. Its customers include leading retailers and wholesalers.

Broadcast International is a publicly held company whose stock is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol BRIN.

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BOSTON (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Campeau Massachusetts Inc. (CMI) Friday filed for bankruptcy under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

The filing was made in Cincinnati, home of CMI's parent corporation, Federated Stores Inc. (FSI).

''By this filing, we seek to ensure that the Lafayette Place shopping center in downtown Boston remains open for the benefit of shoppers, Lafayette Place tenants, the independent Lafayette Hotel, the surrounding neighborhood and the city of Boston. Under Chapter 11, we also seek to assure vendors and suppliers they will be paid for all services and supplies provided in the coming months. All leases and store operations will continue, and we hope to accelerate our ongoing program of opening new retailers and food service establishments,'' said Joseph Millett, vice president and general manager of Lafayette Place.

Four new stores and restaurants have opened at Lafayette Place since the summer and two more are expected to open in October and November.

CONTACT: Campeau Massachusetts Inc., Boston
Joseph Millett, 617/367-1800

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MUNCIE, IN (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Ball Corp. (NYSE:BLL) and Peter Kiewit Sons' Inc. (PKS) announced Friday that PKS terminated the agreement for the purchase by Ball of Continental Can Europe (CCE), a subsidiary of PKS.

In a joint statement, the parties said, ''On a financial and operating basis, both Ball and CCE have been performing at record levels in 1990. Unfortunately, due in major part to the recent turmoil in world financial markets, and in particular the U.S. banking community, Ball has not yet arranged financing, and the certainty of closing the transaction on the agreed upon terms and time frame have become compromised.''

Richard M. Ringoen, Ball's chairman and chief executive officer, said the planned acquisition of the remaining interest in its 50 percent-owned Ball-InCon Glass Packaging Corp. joint venture will not be affected and should be completed by the end of the year.

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DENVER (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Everett Warren, president and chief executive officer of Bayly Corp. Friday announced the completion and funding of a new committed financing arrangement with its short- and long-term lenders, BNY Financial Corp., Principal Mutual Life Insurance Co. and Modern Woodmen of America.

Additional working capital is provided by the new arrangement. Prior financial covenant defaults are waived and new covenants set.

In connection with the transaction, existing warrants were modified and new warrants issued permitting the long-term lenders to purchase a total of 1,130,000 shares of Bayly common stock at $1.125 per share or to purchase 56,500 shares of a new series ''C'' convertible preferred stock. Each share of the preferred ''C'' is convertible to 20 shares of common and votes with the common.

Headquartered in Denver, Bayly Corp. (NASDAQ:BAYL) designs, manufactures and sells young men's walkshorts under license from Ocean Pacific (Op) Sunwear Ltd.; men's and boys' sportswear under the nationally known brand name of O'Neill; men's and boys' swimwear, walkshorts and pants under the brand name Morey Boogie Bodywear, as well as private-label apparel.

Bayly's customers include major department and speciality stores for its branded products and mass merchandisers and other retailers for its private-label apparel.

CONTACT: Bayly Corp., Denver
David E. Houseman, 303/773-3850

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HUNTSVILLE, ALA (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - TRW's Systems Engineering and Development division has been awarded a $17.9 million contract, including options, to assess the survivability of key elements in the Army's Phase 1 Strategic Defense System.

TRW is providing survivability documentation traceability and developing a methodology for survivability verification and validation.

Awarded by the U.S. Army Strategic Defense Command in Huntsville, the three-year contract has two one-year options. Much of the work will be performed at TRW's Huntsville Operations with support from TRW personnel in the Los Angeles area.

TRW has provided survivability technology for a number of government agencies, including the Defense Nuclear Agency, the Air Force Weapons Laboratory, the Army's Harry Diamond Laboratories, and the Naval Research Laboratory.

As part of the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI), TRW has evaluated the effects and lethality of lasers, particle beams, kinetic energy weapons and microwaves and been involved in such SDI-related programs as the SDI Architecture Study and Lethality-4. For the Lethality-4 program, the company developed a methodology that has become the Defense Nuclear Agency's standard for assessing the lethality of most SDI weapons.

TRW's Systems Engineering and Development division is being supported by subcontractors SPARTA in Huntsville and S-CUBED, La Jolla, Calif.

The division, located in Carson, Calif., is part of TRW Systems Integration Group, an operating unit of TRW's California-based Space & Defense Sector. The group, headed by John P. Stenbit, vice president and general manager, has headquarters in Fairfax County, Virginia, and performs systems engineering services and systems integrations and develops and installs strategic and

tactical command and control systems, information processing systems and security systems for federal government agencies, industry contractors and international customers.

Cleveland-based TRW is an international company that provides high-technology products and services to the space and defense, automotive and information systems markets. The company's 1989 sales totaled more than $7 billion.

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DENVER (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Grease Monkey Holding Corp. (NASDAQ:GMHC) reported Friday that its proposal to acquire Pit Stop Auto Centers Inc. (NASDAQ:PSAC) has been declined by the Pit Stop board of directors.

Grease Monkey's proposal was made to Pit Stop on Oct. 24, 1990.

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BEAVERTON, OR (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas H. Bruggere, chairman of the board of directors and the chief executive officer of Mentor Graphics Corp., announced the approval by the board of directors of a plan to repurchase, from time to time over the next two years on the open market, up to 3 million of the company's common shares.

These shares would be used to offset shares issued under the company's stock option plans and the employee stock purchase plan. At the end of the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, there were 44,818,000 shares outstanding.

Mentor Graphics Corp. (NASDAQ:MENT), Beaverton, was established in 1981 to design, manufacture, market and service electronic design automation (EDA) systems. The company is the leader in worldwide EDA sales, with revenues of $433,781,000 over the last 12 months. The company currently employs more than 2,600 people. In addition to its corporate offices in Beaverton, Mentor Graphics has sales and support offices in 66 locations worldwide. The company's headquarters are located at 8500 S.W. Creekside Place, Beaverton, Ore., 97005.

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Jack Carveth, 503/626-1556
or
KVO Inc., Beaverton
Sharon VanSickle, 503/645-1551

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - International Cablecasting Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:TUNE), announced Friday that effective immediately, William E. Johnson, Dean A. Gilbert and Kent Burkhart have been elected to its board of directors.

Johnson is the chief executive officer of Scientific-Atlanta Inc. (S-A), a leading manufacturer of cable television electronics and satellite-based communication networks, and the manufacturer of the company's cable digital audio tuner. He is a graduate of Yale University and the Harvard Business School where he was a Baker Scholar.

Prior to joining S-A, Johnson had his own consulting firm, William E. Johnson Associates, which specialized in major strategic redirections and turnarounds. The firm's clients included GE, GTE, Hoffman La Roche, Allied Chemical, American Standard, the American Stock Exchange and S-A.

Gilbert is the vice president of marketing and programming for KBLCOM Inc., a multiple system cable operator representing nearly 1 million subscribers throughout the United States and a charter affiliate of the company.

Prior to joining KBLCOM, he was the vice president -- marketing and public affairs for Paragon Communications, a joint venture between Time, Inc. and Houston Industries; vice president -- corporate marketing for TKR Cable Co., a joint venture between Knight-Ridder and TCI and; he held various marketing management positions with Continental Cablevision.

Burkhart is the chairman of Burkhart/Douglas & Associates (B/D & A). B/D & A provides consulting services in administration, programming, marketing, merchandising for radio stations and is considered to be the premiere company in the development of new music formats in the U.S. radio industry.

In addition, Burkhart is the president and director of Degree Communications, which owns radio stations in Austin, Texas and Greenville-Spartanburg, S.C. B/D & A is the exclusive programmer for ICT's premium digital audio service, Digital Music Express (''DMX'')

The company also announced that the board of directors granted incentive stock options in the amount of 50,000 share options each to Johnson and Gilbert. The stock option price has been set at Thursday's closing market price of $2.125 and are exercisable for a period of two years, expiring on Oct. 25, 1992.

CONTACT: International Cablecasting Technologies Inc.,
Beverly Hills

Patti Dennis or Jeff Demma, 213/552-2333

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SEATTLE (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Alaska Airlines announced Friday that it is reducing its management staffing in the face of high fuel costs and a weakening economy.

The reductions affect 85 positions, including the jobs of 46 employees and 39 unfilled posts. The Seattle-based carrier employs 6,500 people, 980 of whom are management employees. The decrease in staff, effective November 9, is expected to save the company more than $3.3 million per year.

''Unfortunately, dramatic increases in jet fuel prices triggered this action '' said Ray Vecci, president and chief executive officer of the airline. Vecci said the reductions come on the heels of a comprehensive review of all management programs, functions and activities. The reductions have been tailored to trim expenses without affecting customer service, he said. No further reductions are anticipated.

Over the past two months the airline has taken steps to increase revenues and cut costs. Examples include recent fare hikes and an array of fuel conservation measures.

The following letter was sent by Ray Vecci, president and chief executive officer earlier today to all Alaska Airlines employees:

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SPOKANE, Wash. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Pegasus Gold Inc. (ASE; TSE: PGU) Friday announced third quarter earnings of $3.5 million, or 14 cents per share compared to net income of $3.3 million, or 14 cents per share, in the corresponding quarter of 1989.

For the nine months, net income was $6.3 million, or 26 cents per share, compared to $7.8 million, or 33 cents per share, in 1989. Year to date results in 1990 and 1989 included write-offs, associated costs, and interest income of $1.8 and $3.0 million, respectively, relating to the company's investment in Pioneer Metals with a charge having taken place in the third quarter of 1989 of $3.8 million.

Revenues for the latest quarter amounted to $48.3 million as opposed to $59.2 million in the third quarter of 1989. A decline in revenue of $2.5 million

was attributable to the lower gold price received of $408 per ounce as compared to $418 in the preceding year. However, most of the difference was attributable to lower gold production that was down by 22,900 ounces from last year. For the nine months, production levels were 15,700 ounces lower than in 1989 as increases in tons mined did not fully offset a reduction in ore grades and the timing of recoveries. In addition, Relief Canyon has reached the end of its mine life.

John M. Willson, president and chief executive officer of Pegasus, commented that: ''Even at current gold prices, the outlook for the company is extremely positive with future production gains coming from Black Pine, Ortiz, and the expansion of our present facilities at Zortman.''

Pegasus Gold Inc. is a major North American gold producer that currently produces 340,000 ounces of gold from six mines in the western United States. The company also produces significant quantities of silver, lead and zinc. Pegasus Gold common shares are traded on the American Stock Exchange and the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol PGU. Options on the company's common shares are traded on the Chicago Board Options Exchange and the Montreal Stock Exchange.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - TRW Inc. Friday announced it is restructuring its automotive segment as part of an ongoing effort to improve basic operating capabilities, total quality and operating profits.

The changes are effective immediately, said Joseph T. Gorman, chairman and chief executive officer.

''These key changes underscore our determination to improve performance in our automotive businesses,'' said Gorman. ''They will help TRW be more competitive in the face of difficult global markets.''

Under the new structure, the TRW automotive sector as a management organization and level is discontinued. Automotive business units are reorganized into three major groups reporting directly to Gorman.

The intended results of the changes, Gorman said, include: more efficient and effective decision-making processes; less bureaucratic burden; better communication; far more focus on cost-effective value-added; fewer layers of management, both line and staff; and reduced staffs with more clearly defined roles.

The company's occupant restraint systems unit and its controls and fasteners

group are combined into TRW Occupant Restraints and Controls Group, with Adolf Mueller as its vice president and general manager. Mueller had held that position for the controls and fasteners group.

The steering systems and commercial steering businesses are combined into TRW Steering Systems Group. Chester O. Macey, formerly vice president and general manager of the steering systems group, will head the new organization. James S. Remick, formerly vice president of the commercial steering group, will be the new group's vice president and deputy general manager.

The engine components and aftermarket businesses are combined into TRW Engine and Aftermarket Group, with George L. Schneider as vice president and general manager. He previously served as vice president and general manager of the engine components group.

Jerry K. Myers, executive vice president and general manager of the automotive sector, has announced he will consider opportunities outside TRW. Charles L. Miller, executive vice president and general manager of occupant restraint systems, will pursue his previously stated plans to retire in 1991.

''I want to thank Chuck and Jerry in the strongest possible terms for their many and significant contributions to TRW,'' Gorman said. Both will continue to report to Gorman and will work with the new group heads to facilitate the transition.

TRW provides advanced technology products and services for the automotive, space and defense and information markets. The company's 1989 sales totaled $7.34 billion. TRW's automotive sales accounted for about 47 percent of total TRW sales in 1989.

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Donna L. Reynolds, 216/291-7179

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SANTA ANA, CA (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Metropolitan Circuits Inc. (ASE:MPB) announced that it has retained Kenneth Cleveland Associates Inc. (KCA) to assist the company in its continuing efforts to streamline operations and restructure financially.

Kenneth C. Cleveland will devote full time to financial and management assistance of the company. Paul G. McNamera will continue as acting president. Albert E. Puhlman, former president, resigned to begin an independent sales representative business. Pulman remains a director of the company.

Under KCA's previous agreement with the company, Cleveland and McNamera would

have been entitled to purchase 1.5 million shares of the company's stock and assume management of the company had they been able to obtain the needed financing for the company. That agreement has expired.

Metropolitan Circuits designs, manufactures and markets sophisticated circuit boards.

CONTACT: Metropolitan Circuits Inc., Santa Ana
Richard Sandberg, 708/790-2616

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint will provide exchange students from the Soviet Union with the opportunity to see and hear their families on the other side of the globe via the Sprint Meeting Channel(sm).

The videoconference, which will be the first public teleconference between the United States and the Soviet Union, will take place in the United States at 8 a.m., Sunday, Oct. 28, in Milwaukee, at 152 W. Wisconsin Ave.

Ten Soviet exchange students hosted by the Walden School and its Russian exchange program will be linked to their families in Moscow via US Sprint's Meeting Channel. US Sprint offered to provide the videoconference to help publicize Walden School's effort to help raise funds to send American students to the Soviet Union in March 1991.

''We are pleased to play a role in helping bring the Soviet students and their families together for this historic event,'' said Ron LeMay, president and chief operating officer for US Sprint. ''We expect this to be the first of many public videoconferences between our nation and the Soviets. Sprint is proud to be associated with this exchange program and will use technology such as the Meeting Channel to help bring people together.''

US Sprint's Meeting Channel is the world's largest, most sophisticated videoconferencing network, reaching more than 725 locations in 26 countries. The videoconferencing service to Moscow is part of a Sprint initiative to improve communications to and from the Soviet Union, and is offered in conjunction with the USSR Ministry of Communications.

Sprint has also formed a joint venture company, Sprint Networks USSR, that will soon offer modern, high-speed data communications services and products to businesses and organizations in the Soviet Union.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services over the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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Vince Hovanec, 202/828-7423; after 6 p.m. 202/387-1496.

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BATON ROUGE, LA (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Gulf States Utilities Co. has asked that Mar. 1 be set as the implementation date for a $29.9 million revenue increase in Louisiana.

In Friday's filing with the Louisiana Public Service Commission, GSU noted that the request is for the fourth step of the court-ordered Louisiana phase-in plan for the River Bend nuclear power plant.

Company officials said the filing includes updated cost allocation and expense information and contemplates a fifth-step increase of $12.9 million in 1992. The latest request is based on a 13 percent return on common equity.

This past February, the LPSC granted GSU a third-step increase of $28 million, based on a 12.79 percent return on common equity. The commission also implemented a deregulated asset plan for disallowed River Bend costs, in accordance with an October 1989 ruling by a Louisiana district court.

Since updated cost allocation and expense information filed by GSU in the third-step case was not considered in the February decision, the commission had provided for only one more step increase of about $19.6 million in 1991, officials said.

CONTACT: Gulf States Utilities Co., Baton Rouge
Doug McCormick, 409/839-2858

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Indiana Energy Inc., the holding company for Indiana Gas Company Inc., and other subsidiaries, Friday declared a quarterly dividend of 34 cents per share of common stock.

Dividends are payable Dec. 1 to shareholders of record Nov. 9, 1990.

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Julie A. Vincent, 317/321-0572

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GRANDVIEW, MO (OCT. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - North American Savings Bank has reached an agreement in principle to purchase the four-branch Kansas City area operations of United Postal Savings, both associations jointly announced Friday.

The agreement is subject to approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision and the State of Missouri.

The agreement calls for the transfer of approximately $83 million in deposits.

''The agreement was sought by both associations,'' said Michael R. Hoefer, president of North American Savings Bank. ''For North American it provides a means to increase our presence in our home market, the greater Kansas City area, virtually overnight.''

''The agreement is equally attractive to United Postal,'' said association President Robert Gorman, ''because it will help us increase profitability and concentrate our efforts and resources on our operations in the St. Louis area.''

United Postal, with assets of approximately $1.4 billion, serves the St. Louis market through 22 branch offices.

North American Savings Bank currently operates nine branches in the Kansas City and northwest Missouri areas and has approximately $390 million in assets.

The bank's stock is traded on the NASDAQ over-the-counter exchange under the symbol NASB.

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Michael R. Hoefer, 816/765-2200
United Postal Savings, St. Louis
Robert F. Gorman, 314/966-2530.

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - At the board of directors meeting held on Oct. 25 a cash dividend of $8.50 per share was declared, payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: First National Bank of Anchorage Bob Orell, 907/265-3407

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LOS ANGELES, Calif. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Environmental Systems

Inc. (NASDAQ:SENV) recently reported record sales for the year ending June 30, 1990, of $4,227,645 as compared to gross revenues of $3,183,266 for fiscal 1989.

SES also reported net income of $22,427, or three-tenths of a cent per share for fiscal 1990. The weighted average number of common shares outstanding for fiscal 1990 was 8,882,677 as compared to 8,732,677 for fiscal 1989.

The company treated as fourth quarter expenses over $300,000 of non-recurring legal fees and costs associated with settling outstanding litigation with Son Waste Inc. and with seeking an order of abatement to operate its incinerator in Long Beach, Calif., and over $500,000 of non-recurring fees incurred with respect to investment banking services and costs associated with negotiating and obtaining extensions to its lease on, and option to purchase, the property upon which SES conducts its day-to-day waste hauling and bio-medical waste sterilization operations in Vernon, Calif. (''Vernon Property'').

SES, in early July 1990, reached an agreement in principal to settle its litigation with Son Waste Inc., regarding the company's quest to build the first liquid hazardous waste incinerator in the state of California.

Pursuant to the terms of the agreement, Son Waste Inc. will participate in approximately 20 percent of the net proceeds generated by a future sale of the Vernon Property, if acquired by SES, at a price greater than $5 million and in approximately 20 percent of the net proceeds generated by a sale of the hazardous waste incinerator project.

Final terms of the agreement are currently being negotiated by the company. The company is also currently seeking financing to purchase the Vernon Property.

Stephen Grossman, president of Security Environmental Systems Inc., indicated that ''1990 was a very significant year for us, both in terms of new business activity in our new waste hauling business and in our core medical waste treatment business, as well as our progress in overcoming almost all of the permitting barriers remaining in our attempts to build the first liquid hazardous waste incineration facility in California.''

He noted that a significant portion of the company's expenses, both for fiscal 1990 and 1989, resulted from litigation and land acquisition costs related to the Vernon liquid hazardous waste facility.

Security Environmental Systems Inc., is a 19-year old company that sterilizes bio-medical wastes generated throughout California and hauls hazardous waste throughout the western and southern states.

Once adequate provision has been made to secure the Vernon Property, the land upon which the liquid hazardous waste incinerator will be built by its

subsidiary, California Thermal Treatment Services, SES plans to enter the liquid hazardous waste treatment arena.

The liquid hazardous waste project, which was originally proposed in 1984, has received all necessary construction permits from state and federal regulatory agencies.

The company is currently waiting for rulings from the California court of appeals with respect to adverse party challenges to favorable rulings from the California trial courts that SES had performed proper environmental analysis of the project prior to the issuance of the Department of Health Services construction permit and that the South Coast Air Quality Management District must extend its 21 permits to SES to construct the facility without preparation of a new Environmental Impact Report and Health Risk Assessment.

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LAKELAND, FLA. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Plant Growth Formulations Inc. of Gainesville, Ga. and Micro-Flo Co. of Lakeland, Fla., announced Friday that PGR IV Concentrate has been cleared by the Environmental Protection Agency for use on row crops and other food crops.

According to C.E. (Buddy) Formby, president of Micro-Flo Co., PGR IV Concentrate contains a nutrient solution blend of hormones in a balanced ratio which increases root growth and rate of growth, enhances fruiting, stimulates nutrient uptake and increases yields.

Formby went on to explain, ''PGR IV is not a fertilizer, but it increases the efficiency of fertilizer and is environmentally safe when used as directed.''

Micro-Flo Co. has been appointed by Plant Growth Formulations Inc. as the exclusive manufacturer and marketer of PGR IV.

The product has a proven track record of over five years of university testing and successful field results. During the past year it underwent review for registration by the E.P.A. while its use continued on lawns, sod, turf and ornamentals.

For complete details on use directions, package sizes and availability through Micro-Flo Co.'s network of national distributors, call 800/451-8461.

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Customer Service, 800/451-8461

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OWINGS MILLS, MD. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Universal Security Instruments, Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol: USEC) Friday announced results for its second quarter ended September 30, 1990.

Sales for the quarter ended September 30, 1990 were $5,817,791 compared to $5,673,873 for the same quarter last year. Net income increased to $1,238,956, or $.36 per share, versus $17,694, or $.01 per share, for the comparable quarter last year. Included in the second quarter results was a $1,002,078, or $.29 per share, extraordinary gain resulting from the settlement of certain of the Company's insurance claims from the fire of March 28, 1990.

The Company said that operating results rose to $236,878, or $.07 per share, compared to $17,694, or $.01 per share, for the comparable period. The improved results were due to new product shipments, joint venture earnings, lower interest costs and to a reimbursement for lost profits on orders that the Company was unable to deliver due to the fire.

Sales for the six months ended September 30, 1990 were $10,813,060 compared to $11,914,682 for the same period last year.

Net income, including the extraordinary gain, was $1,360,929, or $.39 per share, compared to $71,382, or $.02 per share, for the period last year.

Universal said that it is continuing to successfully implement its strategy of increased production in its China joint venture, lower interest costs and new product introductions to improve operating results.

Universal Security Instruments, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets security, video and telecommunications products.

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SANTA ANA, CALIF. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Tokos Medical Corp. (Delaware) (NASDAQ:TKOS) reported record net revenues for the quarter and for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net revenues for the quarter amounted to $19.2 million compared with $15.5

million for the third quarter of 1989. Net revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $53.9 million compared with $46.4 million in the same period in 1989.

These results represent a 24 percent increase in net revenues for the third quarter and a 16 percent increase for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared with corresponding periods in 1989.

Robert F. Byrnes, chief executive officer, stated, ''Record net revenues and gains in sales momentum are a result of a continued increase in physician demand and payor acceptance of the company's pre-term labor management services.''

In addition, in September 1990, the company received final approval from the Food and Drug Administration to promote its GENESIS(R) home uterine-activity monitor for early detection of pre-term labor for a specific high-risk population. This device is the only uterine- activity monitor approved for use in the early detection of pre-term labor.

The company reported $521,000 of income from operations before expenses associated with the Physiologic Diagnostic Service Inc. (PDS) merger for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Byrnes said that these results met operational expectations. Net losses for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $1.7 million, or 12 cents per share outstanding, compared with $352,000, or 3 cents per share outstanding, for the third quarter of the preceding year.

Net losses for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $1.7 million, or 13 cents per share outstanding, compared with $291,000, or 3 cents per share outstanding, for the comparable preceding period.

These results include an unusual pre-tax charge in the third quarter of 1990 of $2.4 million, or $1.9 million after-tax effect, 13 cents per share outstanding, for expenses relating to the merger of Tokos and PDS (of Atlanta).

These results also include losses of PDS prior to the merger.

Tokos Medical is the leading national provider of specialized home healthcare services to the OB/Gyn market with 64 sites of service nationwide. The company's corporate headquarters are located at 1821 East Dyer Road, Santa Ana Calif. 92705.

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Robert F. Byrnes or Nicholas A. Mione, 714/474-1616

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SEATTLE (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Recreational Equipment Inc. (REI), in its Holiday 1990 catalog, printed an incorrect toll-free number for its customer service department.

The correct customer service number is 800/828-5533.

Calls about an order's status, billing, patronage dividend or REI cooperative membership are handled on the customer service line.

REI's toll-free order number remains 800/426-4840. The toll-free number is used for placing orders and obtaining product information. REI's special Outdoor Advisor product information service is also available through the toll-free order number.

REI is a national retailer and mail order company specializing in quality outdoor gear and clothing. The Holiday 1990 catalog cover features four people wearing winter clothing and sunglasses against a blue background.

CONTACT: Recreational Equipment Inc., Seattle
Michael Collins, 206/395-5956

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HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Coherent Communications Systems Corp. has introduced the EC-6000 digital echo canceller, the most powerful, intelligent and flexible echo canceller available, when compared to the published performance specifications of other available echo cancellers.

Signals that are reflected due to impedance mismatches at four-wire to two-wire conversion points cause an audible echo when they are delayed while returning to their point of origin, ie. to the person talking.

Delay occurs when the digital voice signal must travel long distances (as may be the case in terrestrial or satellite networks) or when complex signal processing is required (such as in digital cellular telephone networks). The Coherent EC-6000 provides optimal performance in all terrestrial, satellite or digital cellular networks because the EC-6000's modular design allows it to be adapted easily to the unique operating requirements of a particular network.

The EC-6000 is a split-type echo canceller that interfaces with PCM multiplex equipment and digital telephone switches. A CEPT (E1) version for European telecommunications networks, which eliminates echo on all 30 or 31 voice frequency channel circuits, is currently being shipped.

A T1 version of the EC-6000 will be available for installation in North American networks in January 1991. In the standard EC-6000 configuration, 360

channels of cancellation may be installed into a standard, 19-inch rack. Both the CEPT and T1 versions will also be available in a two-digroup enclosure that offers 100 percent redundancy.

This smaller configuration is ideal for unmanned, remote switching stations. All versions of the EC-6000 have the same, high performance specifications and will cancel echo without inducing choppiness or barrel-effect, even when both parties speak simultaneously.

Echo Return Loss (ERL), measured in decibels, indicates the degree to which the digital voice signals must be attenuated (change) after traveling around the end path in order for the echo canceller to distinguish them from near end speech echo and perform cancellation.

Coherent is a world-renowned innovator and manufacturer of highly advanced telecommunications equipment that helps maximize the capacity and quality of private and public terrestrial, satellite or digital cellular telephone networks. Contact Coherent Communications offices for more information.

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Kathleen Doherty, 516/231-1550
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PLANO, TEXAS (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - PRONET INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: PNET) Friday announced revenues and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

Revenues for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 increased 26 percent to $4,147,000 from $3,292,000 reported for the comparable quarter in fiscal 1989. Net income for the quarter was $150,000, or $0.04 per share, as compared to a net loss of $(154,000), or $(0.04) per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Operating cash flow for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 increased approximately 100 percent to $1,108,000 from $553,000 for the comparable quarter in fiscal 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, revenues increased 25 percent to $11,592,000 as compared to $9,288,000 reported for the same period last year. The Company reported net income of $241,000, or $0.06 per share, as compared to a net loss of $(456,000), or $(0.12) per share, for the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

Commenting on the results, Jackie Kimzey, President and Chief Executive Officer of PRONET INC., stated, ''The Company's solid financial performance thus far in fiscal 1990 is testimony to our dedication to increasing market share within our existing paging locations, as well as expanding into new

ProNet Tracking Systems (PTS) geographic markets.''

Kimzey continued, ''PRONET's commitment to continued growth has resulted in the addition of 6,278 new pagers in the third quarter, the most significant quarterly pager growth in the Company's history. During the quarter, we secured equipment sales orders totalling $53,000 for our ipt communications systems, which are typically leased. We are excited about the placement of over 1,000 pagers in our New York market in September which we anticipate will bring that market to profitability in the second quarter of fiscal 1991.''

PRONET INC. is the leading supplier of medical communications integrated paging systems designed exclusively for medical institutions and health care professionals. In addition, PRONET operates a state-of-the art miniature radio transmitter and receiver system which can be attached to merchandise to assist police in the apprehension of robbery suspects and the recovery of stolen merchandise.

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MENLO PARK, CALIF. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Zycad Corp. (NASDAQ:ZCAD) Friday announced that Benjamin Huberman was elected a director and has joined the Zycad board of directors.

Huberman, through the Huberman Consulting Croup, provides consulting services on technology issues to clients specifically in the areas of electronics, aerospace and nuclear power. The board seat became available as a result of two recent board member resignations, Douglas E. Johnson and John A. Fahlberg.

''We are excited about Mr. Huberman joining Zycad's board,'' stated Phillips W. Smith, Zycad president and chief executive officer. ''He is an excellent addition to the board, and his expertise and knowledge in the technology and government arenas will provide significant value to Zycad overall, and specifically to Protocol, our new division.

''Protocol provides system engineering services and solutions to Department of Defense (DoD) and major defense contractors.''

''Zycad has an excellent reputation within the federal government and is working on some very important projects within the military and aerospace industries,'' stated Huberman.

''I like the company's strategies and think they have excellent hardware and software products, as well as consulting services. I look forward to participating in the company's future growth and providing guidance in the government arena,'' continued Huberman.

Huberman is a member of the Chief of Naval Operations' Executive Panel, the Air Force Studies Board, and NASA's Space Station Advisory Committee. From 1988 to mid-1990 he served as the first chairman of the Technical Advisory Panel to the U.S. Space Command.

Prior to leaving the government sector in 1981, Huberman served as Deputy Science Advisor to the president of the United States.

Zycad Corp. designs, manufactures and markets industry leading, high-performance logic simulation, design verification, test-generation tools and consulting services to the Computer-Aided Engineering (CAE) industry.

The company's broad range of products are used to substantially increase engineering productivity in the design, development and test of sophisticated electronic systems and integrated circuits. Zycad provides solutions to solve CAE design problems from single- and multi-ASIC designs to large, complex systems designs.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The Jefferies Group Inc. (NASDAQ:JEFG) announced that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of 5 cents per common share payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 15, 1990.

CONTACT: Jefferies Group Inc., Los Angeles
Frank E. Baxter, 213/624-3333

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Gainsco, Inc. (AMEX:GNA), Friday reported net income for the third quarter and nine months of 1990.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $1,885,000, $.30 per share, as compared to $1,497,000, $.24 per share, in 1989 representing an increase of 26%. For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, net income was $4,727,000 $.76 per share, versus $3,705,000, $.59 per share, recorded in 1989 which

represents an increase of 28%. Gross premiums written for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 were 22% above the comparable 1989 period.

Commenting on the results, Joseph D. Macchia, Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, ''Results are on target for a 25% return on beginning shareholders' equity. The statutory loss ratio of 50.0% and combined ratio of 85.3% are both within their targeted ranges for the year and should remain so.

'' Our results are particularly significant at this time when the industry is under fire from insurance industry analysts, regulators and consumer groups. The reason for the attacks is junk - junk bonds, junk reinsurance, junk reserves and junk rates. We're junk free!''

GAINSCO, INC. is a vertically integrated property and casualty insurance company specializing in underwriting and marketing excess and surplus lines. The Company's subsidiaries include General Agents Insurance Company of America Inc., an Oklahoma corporation; General Agents Premium Finance Company, which offers premium financing programs for general agents in connection with their marketing activities; Agents Processing Systems, Inc., which markets a computer software policy management system to general agents; and Risk Retention Administrators, Inc., which assists managing general agents in forming and operating risk retention groups.

In addition, General Agents Insurance Company of America, Inc., operates a wholly-owned subsidiary, MGA Insurance Company, Inc., which is the sole owner of MGA Agency, Inc., the Company's marketing arm.

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NASHVILLE, TENN. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Jerome S. Tannenbaum, president and chief executive efficer of REN Corp.-USA (NASDAQ/NMS:RENL) Friday announced increased revenue and net income for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net revenue increased 118 percent to $10.4 million in the third quarter compared with net revenue of $4.8 million in the same quarter last year. Net income for the quarter advanced to $439,000, up 50 percent from $293,000 recorded in the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings per share rose 25 percent to 5 cents on a 31 percent increase in

weighted average shares outstanding to 9.1 million.

Per share earnings for the third quarter of 1989 were 4 cents on 6.9 million weighted average shares outstanding.

The increase in third quarter revenue and net income was due primarily to the addition of 10 dialysis centers since the third quarter of 1989. The company operated 24 dialysis centers at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with 14 centers in operation at the same time last year.

During the third quarter, the company opened a 15-station dialysis center in St. Louis, Mo., a 26-station center in Newport News, Va., and a 15-station center in Marshall, Texas.

The centers in Missouri and Virginia were the first opened by the company in these states.

REN Corp. - USA is engaged primarily in providing renal dialysis services to patients suffering from chronic kidney failure. Dialysis services are provided principally at the company's 24 freestanding outpatient REN Centers located in nine states.

The company also provides outpatient dialysis services to patients in their homes and inpatient dialysis services through contracts with 20 hospitals. In addition, the company performs blood, tissue and urine testing services for its REN Centers, as well as for independent physicians and industry, at its three clinical laboratories.

The company's common stock is included in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''RENL.''

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NEWTOWN, PA (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Tseng Labs, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:TSNG) Friday announced unaudited results for the third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990.

For the three months ended September 30, 1990, sales increased 18% to $7,514,373 from $6,382,980 in the comparable prior year period. Net income increased at a faster rate, up 26% to $1,116,222 or $.06 per share from $886,275 or $.05 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

Sales for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 increased to $25,516,206 from $24,832,484 in the same period last year. Net income was $3,980,262 or $.22 per share versus $4,241,708 or $.23 in the first nine months of 1989.

Jack Tseng, Chairman of Tseng commented, ''In the third quarter, we resumed the favorable quarterly comparisons for the first time since the second quarter of 1989. We made this progress despite a shortage of chips from our semiconductor manufacturers.

'' As a result, the Company was unable to satisfy all of the demand for our products in the third quarter. Had we received these components during the quarter, sales would have been considerably higher, with a commensurate increase in net income. This situation has been rectified, and in the fourth quarter, we expect to fulfill substantially all of our customers' orders.

''Demand for our VGA products based on the ET4000 remains extremely strong and we expect to begin to see the full impact of ET4000 market share gains in the fourth quarter. Given this demand, and the current record backlog of orders, and barring unforeseen circumstances, we expect the fourth quarter to be the best quarter in the Company's history, and for 1990 to be Tseng's sixth consecutive record year. The outlook for 1991 is equally bright.''

Tseng concluded, ''Importantly, we are in a strong financial position to sustain this expected growth without the need for additional capital.''

Tseng Labs, Inc. is a manufacturer of custom VLSI graphics chips and board level add-on enhancement products for personal computers.

TSENG LABS, INC.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Net Sales	$7,514,373	$6,382,980
Income before Income Taxes	1,745,222	1,363,275
Income Taxes	629,000	477,000
Net Income	$1,116,222	$ 886,275
Net Income per Share	$.06	$.05
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	18,517,000	18,413,000

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Net Sales	$25,516,206	$24,832,484
Income before Income Taxes	6,251,262	6,633,708

Income Taxes	2,271,000	2,392,000
Net Income	$ 3,980,262	$ 4,241,708
Net Income per Share	$.22	$.23
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	18,511,000	18,288,000

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STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson and British Telecom Friday signed a general purchasing agreement for AXE10 digital exchanges.

The agreement gives British Telecom the option of placing orders until March 31, 1992, for up to 3 million lines of AXE10. British Telecom has ordered approximately 3.75 million lines of AXE10 since 1985.

Concurrent with the purchasing agreement, a development agreement was also concluded for further evolution of the AXE10 system to provide a platform for the network of the nineties.

These agreements reinforce the continuing success of AXE10 in the UK network. AXE10 was first selected by British Telecom following intense competition between the major international suppliers, resulting in the first contract award in 1985.

Since this time Ericsson has established a comprehensive UK presence including manufacturing and total support capability, which has enabled British Telecom to sustain their very aggressive network modernization schedule through timely deliveries and excellent in-service performance.

AXE10 is now firmly established throughout the British Telecom network, allowing the provision of high quality telephony service to business and residential customers.

Anders Igel, managing director of Ericsson Limited, said of the agreements, ''The signing of these two agreements is excellent news for Ericsson, British Telecom and its customers.

Ericsson Limited is a fully owned subsidiary of Telefon- aktiebolaget L M Ericsson, the Swedish telecommunications company. AXE10 is now in service with all major UK public network operators and the UK represents the largest single

market for the Ericsson switching system.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications. Ericsson is recognized for its advanced systems and products for wired and mobile communications in public and private networks. Ericsson is also a leading supplier of electronic defense systems.

Ericsson has 70,000 employees and operations in 80 countries. Turnover in 1989 was SEK 40 billion. Research and development costs for 1989 corresponded to 11 percent of turnover.

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PHOENIX (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix-based America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) reported a net loss for the third quarter 1990 of $21,954,000, or $1.21 per common share.

This compared to a net profit of $5,769,000, or 28 cents per common share, for the third quarter of 1989. Included in the 1989 results is a gain of approximately $2,600,000 resulting from an agreement with a foreign entity for the use of certain foreign tax benefits in connection with the acquisition of an aircraft.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, the company realized a net loss of $18,391,000, or 94 cents per common share, and net income of $18,870,000, or 92 cents per common share, respectively. The results for the nine months of 1989 included income tax expenses of $6,823,000 and income tax benefits resulting from the utilization of operating loss carryforwards of $6,802,000.

Al Frei, senior vice president of finance and chief financial officer for the airline, said: ''As a result of the Middle East crisis, the average price per gallon of jet fuel increased 19 cents in the third quarter compared to the same period in 1989, or approximately $15,500,000.

America West is currently the No. 1 carrier in on-time performance and holds the national championship in this category for 1989, 1988 and since the Department of Transportation began mandatory reporting in 1987. As a result of a recent DOT authorization, the carrier will begin its first overseas international operation with new service between Honolulu, Hawaii and Nagoya, Japan in early 1991.

The following is a summary of the quarter and year-to-date financial data for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989:

America West Airlines
Third Quarter Financial Results
(Dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

	Third Quarter		Year-To-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$338,666	$243,437	$969,608	$715,158
Operating expenses	346,174	232,091	956,438	674,855
Operating income (loss)	(7,508)	11,346	13,170	40,303
Nonoperating expenses, net	14,508	5,571	31,561	21,412
Income (loss) before income taxes and extraordinary items	(22,016)	5,775	(18,391)	18,891
Income (loss) taxes	(1,294)	2,086	--	6,823
Income (loss) before extraordinary items	(20,722)	3,689	(18,391)	12,068
Extraordinary items - Utilization of net operating loss carryforward	(1,232)	2,080	--	6,802
Net income (loss)	$(21,954)	$ 5,769	$(18,391)	$ 18,870
Primary earnings (loss) per common share	$(1.21)	28 cents	(94 cents)	97 cents
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	18,485,487	19,207,539	19,849,160	18,089,970
Fully diluted earnings per common share	(a)	28 cents	(a)	92 cents
Weighted average number of fully diluted common shares outstanding	(a)	35,709,078	(a)	33,625,603
Passenger enplanements	4,080,955	3,455,302	11,715,422	9,824,590
Available seat miles (000)	4,857,134	3,464,373	13,374,719	9,945,266
Revenue passenger miles (000)	2,989,838	1,994,585	8,283,913	5,705,447
Load factor (percent)	61.6	57.6	61.9	57.4
Average passenger revenue per passenger mile (yield)(cents)	10.67	11.54	11.06	11.92
Operating cost per available seat mile (cents)	7.13	6.70	7.15	6.79

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NORWALK, CONN. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - First National Realty of Norwalk announced Friday that it has consummated its acquisition of Royer Realty of

Atlanta, according to Jay N. Torok, chairman and chief executive officer of First National Realty Associates Inc.

Along with its existing offices in the area, the First National Realty operations will feature approximately 300 sales associates in 14 branch offices throughout the Northern Atlanta region.

First National Realty is a national residential real estate brokerage company founded in 1988, with 43 offices and approximately 1,000 sales associates in Northern and Southern California; Houston; Atlanta; and Boca Raton and Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Fujitsu Systems of America has announced the release of software version 1.02 for its Atrium9000 POS system.

Version 1.02 has over 20 new features including full system redundancy, expanded price management/price look-up functions, asynchronous host communications support and MS-DOS support. Fujitsu made the announcement at the Retail Information Systems Conference (RisCON), sponsored by the National Retail Federation, held in St. Louis.

''Our Atrium9000 has met with tremendous industry acceptance during its first year of availability,'' said Kevin O'Neill, Fujitsu's senior director of retail systems marketing and development. ''Retailers such as Barneys, Calvin Klein, Charlotte Russe, Henri Bendei, Paul Stuart and Russell Athletics have installed Atrium in their stores throughout the United States.

''The introduction of this new software release will provide retailers with additional solutions at the point-of-sale,'' he concluded.

Release 1.02 will be available in the fourth quarter of 1990. Key features in Release 1.02 include: MS-DOS for Primary Terminals

Atrium9000's family of terminals now includes MS-DOS-based primary terminals as well as OS/2-based primary terminals. This new software feature supports MS-DOS on the new Atrium Primary/88 terminal as well as Atrium's Primary/286. It gives the retailer an operating system alternative that requires less memory and is lower in cost than OS/2-based terminals.

Fujitsu Systems of America Inc. is one of the Fujitsu Ltd. family of companies. A global leader in computer and telecommunications technology, Fujitsu Ltd. has annual revenues of more than $16 billion. Fujitsu Systems of

America, a major supplier of end-user systems to the U.S. market, designs, develops and markets POS systems, hand-held computer systems and automated teller machines.

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IRVINE, CALIF. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - At UNIX EXPO next week, Corollary Inc. will participate in two panel discussions and will make an announcement regarding serial I/O device drivers.

The company will also have demonstrations of its multiprocessing and multiport products at the Santa Cruz Operation's booth No. 403.

George White, president of Corollary, will chair a panel discussion on multiprocessing on Wednesday, Oct. 31, 3:30 p.m. -- 5 p.m.

Other speakers include Dave Poole of Digital Equipment Corp. Digital utilizes Corollary's multiprocessing technology in the new applicationDEC 433MP.

White will also be participating in a panel on UNIX and the Intel processors on Wednesday, Oct. 31, 9:30 a.m. -- 11 a.m.

Other participants include David Bernstein of SCO. Corollary developed the multiprocessor extension to SCO UNIX, which is marketed by SCO as SCO MPX.

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PUNTA GORDA, FLA. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The third annual stockholder's meeting of First Federal Savings Bank of Charlotte County was held Thursday, Oct. 25, in the Savings Bank's Punta Gorda, Fla. office.

At the meeting, D.R. Witter Jr., president and chairman of the board, reported to the attending stockholders the results of last year's operations. ''While (the Savings Bank had) moderate growth...it was excellent growth to manage and to provide a gradual annual increase in the major components of our balance sheet,'' explained Witter.

''Every American is looking over the shoulder of savings and loans' activity...we find that many problems were generated because rapid growth fueled careless lending, hasty investments, uncontrollable expenses, inadequate documentation, and lack of protection of corporate assets.

''Too many institutions that went by the wayside were interested solely in growth for growth's sake, spirited by their president's ego,'' Witter added.

Witter went on to explaain that ''if you always paid the highest rate for deposits, or (similarly) sold your manufactured goods at the cheapest price, that you would not be in business long.'' First Federal ''offered interest rates that were necessary to generate profits from sound investments.''

Witter reported that during the year, total assets increased 5.3 percent, or $17,535,881, from $329,906,931 at June 30, 1989, to $347,442,812 at June 30, 1990. Consolidated net earnings were $3,219,251 for the year ended June 30, 1990, compared to $3,751,943 for the year ended June 30, 1989.

The decrease in earnings for the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, as compared to June 30, 1989, was due to the fact that the Savings Bank sold a 10-acre tract of land in November 1988, which accounted for a net profit, after taxes, of $1,141,901. Excluding the profit on the sale of the land, operating income increased $609,209 for the year ended June 30.

Net loans and mortgage-backed securities aggregated $278,762,204 at June 30 and stockholders' equity totaled $42,894,138.

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NORTHBROOK, ILL. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - General Binding Corporation (NASDAQ:GBND) Friday announced that third quarter earnings decreased to $4,023,000 or $.25 per share compared to $5,793,000 or $.36 per share reported for the year ago period.

The Company pointed out that in 1989 third quarter earnings had been favorably impacted by a recovery of state income taxes for prior years of $1,422,000 or $.06 per share after provision for related federal and state income taxes of $519,000.

Sales for the 1990 third quarter increased 6% to $74,399,000 compared with $70,298,000 for the 1989 third quarter.

For the nine months earnings decreased to $12,941,000 or $.81 per share

compared to $15,500,000 or $.97 per share for the 1989 period. Sales for the nine months increased 10% to $230,014,000 compared to $209,455,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

Commenting on the Company's performance President and CEO Rudolph Grua said that the small sales increase in the third quarter reflects the general softness of the worldwide economy and is significantly below the double digit growth GBC usually demonstrates. GBC's performance was particularly affected by soft demand and decreasing margins at the Company's three ring metals operations. Operating losses at GBC's Canadian subsidiary further depressed the Company's results.

GBC is an international manufacturer and marketer of business machines and related supplies. The Company's binding, laminating, and paper shredding systems are used worldwide in the business, commercial, education and government markets. GBC products are marketed under the GBC, Shredmaster and U.S. RingBinder names.

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DENVER (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Hallwood Energy Corp. (NASDAQ:HWEC) announced a 1-for-50 reverse split of its common stock, effective Friday.

The reverse stock split was approved by Hallwood Energy's shareholders at the annual meeting of shareholders on Sept. 25, 1990. The reverse stock split will not change the shareholders' equity of Hallwood Energy or alter the number of authorized shares.

As a result of the reverse split, the number of outstanding shares of common stock will decrease from 57,679,527 to approximately 1,153,590 shares.

Shareholders will receive cash in lieu of fractional shares and will be asked to exchange the certificates that they currently hold for new certificates.

The common stock will begin trading on Oct. 29, 1990, at the post reverse split price.

Also at the annual meeting, shareholders elected Anthony J. Gumbiner, William L. Guzzetti, Brian M. Troup and Hans-Peter Holinger directors until the next annual meeting.

Shareholders also approved a proposal providing that a majority vote of shareholders is sufficient for any action requiring a vote of shareholders.

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HARTFORD, CONN. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Aetna Life & Casualty Friday reported third quarter net income of $89 million, or $.80 per common share, after reflecting a one-time reorganization charge of $60 million ($.54 per common share), compared with $183 million, or $1.63 per common share, a year ago.

The one-time charge relates to the severance, benefits and other costs associated with a reorganization of the company's domestic insurance operations, announced separately today. This charge affects the earnings of the Employee Benefits, Commercial Insurance and Personal Financial Security Divisions, but not American Re-Insurance or the International Insurance Division.

The 1990 third quarter results include net realized capital losses of $38 million ($.33 per common share). The 1989 third quarter results included net realized capital gains of $48 million ($.43 per common share), $27 million of which resulted from the sale of Federated Investors Inc. The total impact of the Federated sale on third quarter 1989 net income was $42 million ($.38 per common share), including $15 million of tax benefits from the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards generated by the sale.

Aetna Chairman James T. Lynn said, ''Adjusting for the one-time reorganization charge in the third quarter and for the positive impact of the Federated sale last year, our third quarter 1990 earnings were modestly improved over a year ago. Absent the one-time charge, earnings in most of our businesses were about as expected. We had better group insurance results.

''Substantially helped by fewer catastrophe losses, auto/homeowners showed slight improvement, but personal auto still suffers from high loss costs and inadequate rates. Although profitable, commercial insurance and reinsurance operations continued to reflect a soft pricing environment. Pensions and related financial services, reflecting net realized capital losses, reported a small loss.''

Third quarter 1990 net realized capital losses of $38 million were primarily attributable to additions to reserves and write-downs related to the company's mortgage loan and real estate portfolios. The company povides for actual and potential permanent decreases in value in its mortgage loan and real estate portfolios through a combination of reserving and asset write-downs, and makes adjustments as circumstances appear to warrant. Pretax net additions to reserves for mortgage loans and real estate write-downs totaled $58 million in

the quarter.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Equifax Inc. (NYSE:EFX) Friday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 12 cents per share, payable Dec. 14 to shareholders of record Nov. 6.

Equifax, the Atlanta-based firm which offers informational services and systems to businesses, industry and government, has paid cash dividends for the past 76 years.

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HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Aetna Life & Casualty Friday announced a major corporate reorganization that will disband its three domestic insurance divisions and emphasize the role of its major profit centers. The company also will form a new corporate unit to streamline the way in which it delivers and services its products.

"The overriding principle behind this reorganization is to improve Aetna's ability to provide the right products and services, and to help us compete in increasingly competitive and challenging markets," said James T. Lynn, Aetna chairman.

As a result of the reorganization, the company anticipates approximately 2,600 job eliminations through terminations and attrition. The new corporate structure will be put in place March 4, 1991.

In a separate announcement today, Aetna reported a one-time, after-tax charge of $60 million for the severance, benefits and other costs associated with the reorganization. Aetna estimates after-tax savings will be approximately $50 million in 1991, $90 million in 1992, and $95 million per year thereafter.

"We have been carefully reviewing Aetna's organization for some time to best position the company for success in a rapidly changing marketplace," Lynn said. "We have concluded that we need to align our resources more closely with those markets, old and new, that offer the opportunity for superior, sustained profitability.

"Our current structure must now give way to an increased focus on our major profit centers in order to anticipate change more effectively, and to be quick flexible and right in dealing with change," he added. "Our goal is to build on the many areas of excellence Aetna must retain, and to solidify our position as a leader in insurance, related financial services and managed health care."

The reorganization will enhance the role of the company's major profit centers or strategic business units (SBUs), and will eliminate the three domestic insurance divisions - Commercial Insurance, Employee Benefits and Personal Financial Security. The businesses that now comprise the three divisions will be realigned in two groups for managerial oversight.

"In order to prosper, we must engineer into our products and services the quality and responsiveness our customers have every right to demand," said Ronald E. Compton, Aetna president, who needs the reorganization effort. "The group structure will provide Aetna with greater flexibility to strenghten existing businesses, to start new businesses, and to scale down underperforming businesses.

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VANCOUVER, BC (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Breakwater Resources Ltd. (TSE, VSE: BWR; NASDAQ: BWRLF) announced Friday that it had temporarily suspended operations at its Caribou zinc/lead/silver mine outside of Bathurst, N.B.

Brian Pewsey, President and Chief Executive Officer of Breakwater, commented that, ''We have taken this step reluctantly, but we feel that it is the prudent thing to do. When we acquired the historic Caribou property, it was capable of producing an average of 600 tonnes per day with 32 percent zinc in the concentrate at a recovery of 45 percent.

Under Breakwater's management, the mining methodology was changed, raising production to 3,000 tonnes per day, and metallurgical problems were effectively addressed, raising zinc in the concentrate to 36 percent at recoveries of 75 percent.

Mill throughput was raised to 2,500 tonnes per day. However, the mill continues to impose a real constraint; its flotation circuit and dewatering facility must be expanded if output is to be significantly increased. Including mine development to sustain this increased output, a capital investment of approximately $15 million is required to revamp the mill.

''Earlier projections for increased zinc demand and price acceleration have

not been realized in this period of a world-wide economic slowdown which has in turn been accentuated by a sharp downturn in eastern Europe and the uncertainty generated by the Gulf crisis,'' Pewsey commented.

''The Breakwater Board and management, with the full support of its major shareholder Corona Corporation, does not feel it prudent therefore, in the present economic environment to consider such an investment in view of the non-recourse bank financing arrangements and operations which are uneconomic at current price and volume levels.

''Even though significant technical achievements have been made, we have decided to suspend mine operations temporarily,'' Pewsey said.

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BILLERICA, MASS. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The U.S. Navy has awarded Pacer Systems Inc. a contract to produce and install 10 BALLAST damage control systems for the Navy's FFG-7 Class Frigates.

A proprietary product of Pacer Systems, BALLAST enables the ship's crew to utilize computers in performing ship stability. The system operates in the shipboard environment of combat, non-combat-related emergencies and routine operations. BALLAST enables system operators to obtain a workable solution to restore the stability of the vessel in a damaged state.

The award amounts to approximately $350,000.

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LONDON (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Cadbury Schweppes plc (NASDAQ: CADBY) announced today, following its first issue in June this year of U.S. dollar and Canadian dollar cumulative perpetual preference shares (Series 1 and 2), the completion of a placing of an aggregate US $175m of Auction Preferred American Depositary Shares (APS) representing rights in respect of U.S. dollar denominated Auction Preference Shares at a price of U.S. $500,000 per APS.

This has been carried out through a private placement to US, Canadian and UK investors, and the shares placed are as indicated below.

Unlike the previous issue (issue price totalling the equivalent of US $115m)

for which the interest term was fixed for five years, the interest basis for the new APS Series 3 to 6 will be reset at auctions expected to be held each 28 days after the first period set out below.

	Number of APS issued	Total amount	Dividend rate (pa)	First dividend period ends
Series 3	90	US $45m	6.55%	11/19/90
Series 4	90	US $45m	6.55%	11/26/90
Series 5	90	US $45m	6.60%	12/3/90
Series 6	80	US $40m	6.60%	12/10/90

Cadbury Schweppes plc is the largest British-owned confectionery and soft drinks company. Cadbury Schweppes ADS are traded on NASDAQ. The ticker symbol is CADBY. One ADS equals 10 ordinary shares.

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BATAVIA, NY (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Graham Corp. (ASE:GHM) Friday reported results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the quarter were $20,126,000 producing a net loss of $125,000, or 12 cents per share.

Sales for the comparable 1989 third quarter were $14,482,000 producing net income of $1,143,000, or $1.16 per share inclusive of a $1.27 per share, or $1,255,000 gain from the sale of real estate in the United Kingdom and the United States.

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $57,790,000 producing net income of $589,000, or 58 cents per share. Sales for the comparable 1989 nine months were $46,135,000 producing net income of $2,358,000, or $2.42 per share inclusive of the $1.27 per share, or $1,255,000 gain from sale of real estate. New orders for the 1990 third quarter were $17,724,000 compared to $22,800,000 for the 1989 third quarter. New orders for the first nine months of 1990 were $52,591,000 compared to $62,320,000 for the first nine months of

1989. Consolidated backlog on Sept. 30, 1990 was $36,321,000 compared to $37,952,000 on June 30, 1990 and to $41,603,000 on Sept. 30, 1989.

Commenting on these results, Frederick D. Berkeley, Graham's chairman and CEO, said, ''Graham's disappointing third quarter is the result of substantial extra costs and charges incurred in the U.K. in order to take care of the production problems and delays at our Cheltenham plant which we first described in our July report on six month results.

Graham designs and manufactures vacuum and heat transfer equipment for the process industries. The principal markets for Graham's equipment are the chemical, petrochemical, petroleum refining and electric power generating industries, including co-generation and geothermal plants.

Other process industry markets served include the food and beverage industry, shipbuilding, steel mills, and paper mills.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - S.E. Nichols Inc. (OTC) operating as debtor-in-possession announced that all technical requirements relating to its DIP secured financing facility for up to $10 million with Sterling National Bank & Trust Company of New York have now been fulfilled and that the financing is in full force and effect.

S.E. Nichols operates a chain of 19 deep discount super drug stores under the name Pharmhouse located in the mid-Atlantic states.

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James E. Herlihy, 212/206-9400

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert W. Alspaugh has been named managing partner of KPMG Peat Marwick's San Francisco Bay Area practice.

Alspaugh, 43, was partner-in-charge of the San Francisco audit department. As managing partner, he replaces Jon C. Madonna, 47, who was elected earlier this month by the firm's partners to serve as chairman of KPMG Peat Marwick's U.S. practice.

Alspaugh joined Peat Marwick in 1970 and was elected partner in 1978. He became head of the San Francisco audit department in 1987.

Born in Waxachachie, Texas, he holds a bachelor of business administration

degree with highest honors from Baylor University. He, his wife and three children live in Tiburon, Calif.

In commenting on his appointment, Alspaugh said that ''Jon Madonna set and achieved very high standards for our Bay Area practice. We will continue to focus on superior quality service through our specialized industry program.''

KPMG Peat Marwick is the world's largest accounting, tax and management consulting firm. The San Francisco Bay Area practice, with over 700 professional and staff employees, has offices in San Francisco, Oakland, Palo Alto and Walnut Creek. Other major Northern California offices are in San Jose and Sacramento.

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MERRIMACK, N.H. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Chemical Fabrics Corp. (CHEMFAB)(OTC:CMFB) Friday announced earnings for its first quarter of fiscal 1991.

CHEMFAB's worldwide sales for the thirteen weeks ended Sept. 30, 1990, the first quarter of fiscal 1991, increased by 13 percent to $12,155,000, as compared to $10,803,000 for the same quarter in fiscal 1990. Net income for the quarter was $1,205,000 or 24 cents per share, as compared to net income of $963,000 or 19 cents per share for the same quarter in the prior fiscal year.

These results represent an increase of 26 percent in earnings per share over the first quarter of last year. Gross profit margins on first quarter consolidated net sales improved to 35 percent from 33 percent for the comparable quarter in fiscal 1990.

CHEMFAB is an international advanced performace materials company that designs manufactures and markets flexible composite products intended for use in extreme environments.

Typical products consist of woven fiberglass or other high-strength reinforcements coated or laminated with thermoplastics and elastomers, and specialty flouropolymer films. Worldwide end-use applications are in aerospace, architectural, chemical processing, communications, electronics, food processing, military, protective clothing and other industrial markets.

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Albert Frank-Guenther Law Inc., New York
Darrell T. Oliver, 212/612-1433

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LONDON (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - October 26, 1990 -- Cadbury Schweppes plc (NASDAQ: CADBY), announces the acquisition of the Griffin's confectionery business including Griffin's factory at Avondale (Auckland) from Britannia Brands NZ Limited, and the sale of its Hudson biscuit operations to Britannia.

The acquisition and the sale will be effective from December 1, 1990.

This reflects Cadbury Schweppes' continued focus on and development of its core business streams of confectionery and beverages on a worldwide basis.

Together with the exchange of the businesses, Cadbury Schweppes will pay to Britannia a net consideration of NZ $2 million.

The Cadbury Schweppes Hudson biscuit business has about a 20% share of the New Zealand biscuit market, and its leading brands include Shrewsbury, Toffee Pops and Chocolate Chippies. Sales in 1989 were NZ $31.8 million. Book assets are estimated at NZ $14.5 million, including the Hudson factory at Papakura, and the biscuit manufacturing equipment at the Dunedin factory, which will be relocated.

The Griffin's confectionery business includes a full range of sugar confectionery and liquorice. The Griffin brand is the market leader in New Zealand sugar confectionery with a 52% market share in packaged sugar confectionery. Key brands include Minties, Lumps, Pebbles, Jaybees and Jaffas. Estimated sales in 1989 were NZ $38 million.

This transaction presents an opportunity for Cadbury Schweppes to strengthen further its confectionery presence internationally, and to continue its development in the Pacific Rim markets.

Cadbury Schweppes plc is the largest British-owned confectionery and soft drinks company. Cadbury Schweppes ADS are traded on NASDAQ. The ticker symbol is CADBY. One ADS equals 10 ordinary shares.

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PHILADELPHIA, PA. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Fleer Corp. (NASDAQ: FLER) Friday

reported record sales and earnings for the period ended Sept. 30.

For the third quarter, net sales increased 86 percent to $38,415,000, compared to $20,668,000 for the same period last year on a pro forma basis. Net income for the quarter increased to $5,575,000, or 59 cents per share, compared to the prior year's pro forma quarterly results of $162,000, or 2 cents per share. The 1989 pro forma third quarter results were adversely impacted by a pre-tax $1.8 million non-recurring charge which reduced pro forma earnings per share by 14 cents.

For the nine month period ending Sept. 30, Fleer also reported record sales and earnings. For the nine month period, net sales increased 83 percent to $118,966,000, compared to $65,037,000 for the same period last year on a pro forma basis. Net income for the nine months increased 298 percent to $19,047,000, or $2.32 per share, compared to pro forma net income of $4,784,000, or 65 cent per share for the same period last year.

Paul H. Mullan, chairman and CEO, said, ''Third quarter results reflected excellent growth in sports picture cards, especially Fleer's premier edition football trading cards and the recently introduced Asher Stars 'N Stripes product. Fleer's expanded distribution network and improved marketing strategy also added significantly to the dramatic growth the company has achieved so far this year, and provides a firm foundation for continued growth.''

As a result of cash generated from the company's operations, together with the net proceeds from the company's sale of common stock, virtually all of the company's debt has been repaid as of Sept. 30.

The company also announced that it will file today a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to a proposed public offering by certain selling shareholders of 2.1 million shares of the company's common stock. Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co., Inc. will serve as the managing underwriter for the offering.

Fleer is a leading marketer of sports picture cards (baseball, football and basketball) and confectionery products, including Dubble Bubble gum.

CONTACT: Edelman Public Relations, New York
Ellie Freedman, 212/704-8103

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CHARLESTON, SC (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - John M. Settle, president of Home Federal Savings Bank, (NASDAQ:HFSB) Friday reported record results for the Savings Bank's fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

''Home Federal's earnings, stockholders' equity and loans rose to their highest level in our 38 years of operations,'' stated Settle.

''Additionally, deposits rose to record levels during the year. We attribute our record results to sound loan underwriting standards, our policy of originating adjustable-rate loans, our control of general and administrative expenses, and our loyal customer base.

''During the year, we also instituted a cash dividend program in recognition of our record performance.''

Net interest income rose to $4.8 million in fiscal 1990, a 51.4 percent increase from the $3.2 million recorded in the prior year.
Net earnings were a record $1,261,000, or $1.56 per share, in fiscal 1990, reflecting a 93.3 percent increase from fiscal 1989's earnings of $652,000, or 80 cents per share.

Included in 1989 results were a gain of $373,600 on the sale of Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. (FHLMC) preferred stock and a gain of $167,400 on the sale of a former branch site. Earnings for fiscal 1990 are particularly significant in that they reflect primarily operating activities and did not include any comparable one-time items.

Net interest income in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 increased 62.7 percent to $1,269,000 compared with $780,000 in the same quarter last year. Net earnings for the latest quarter advanced 85.7 percent to $348,000, or 43 cents per share, compared with $187,000, or 23 cents per share, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Results for the fourth quarter of 1989 included the gain on the sale of a former branch site.

''Home Federal's loan quality remained excellent at fiscal year end,'' continued Settle. ''At year end, our real estate owned declined by almost 8 percent from fiscal 1989 and we had no other repossessed assets.

In conjunction with our conservative accounting practices, we have continued to increase our reserves against possible loan losses even though our level of non-performing loans declined over 55 percent since last year.

''Our net interest margin improved significantly during fiscal 1990 to 3.04 percent compared with 2.01 percent during the prior year. Our emphasis on originating adjustable-rate mortgages and our excellent gap position contributed to this improvement.

''In addition, our emphasis on controlling general and administrative expenses continues to enhance our operating results. For fiscal 1990, general and administrative expenses were held to under 2 percent of assets,'' concluded

Settle.

Home Federal is a federally chartered and insured savings bank operating three full-service offices in Charleston. The common stock of Home Federal Savings Bank is traded on the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol HFSB.

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John M. Settle or Frank J. Cole Jr., 803/577-4510

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HOUSTON (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Offshore Pipelines, Inc. (''the Company'') (NYSE:OFP) Friday announced that on October 23, 1990, Richard I. Schwarzschild filed suit against the Company in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York.

The plaintiff filed suit, individually and purportedly on behalf of all persons who purchased the Company's common stock between July 25, 1990 and October 19, 1990 and who allegedly sustained damages as a result of such purchases because of the alleged misrepresentation of the Company's results from operations due to the failure to disclose a net loss for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990. The plaintiff's suit was filed against the Company, the co-managing underwriters of the Company's initial public offering, each of the Company's directors and its chief financial officer, alleging violations of Sections 11 and 12(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in connection with the Company's initial public offering, and seeks unspecified money damages, return of purchase price and various other forms of relief. The Company believes the suit is unfounded and without merit and will vigorously oppose this action.

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by
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Robert Goldstein, 212/371-8660 or
Stacey Arbeiter, 212/836-9606

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SOMERVILLE, NJ (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Beatrice D'Agostino, president and chief executive officer of Bancorp New Jersey Inc. (OTC, NASDAQ:BCNJ) announced Friday consolidated financial results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the third quarter was $54,000 or 2 cents per share, compared to $838,000 or 31 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $1,519,000, vs. $2,512,000 for the first nine months of 1989. The nine months earnings per share figure was 58 cents for 1990, compared to 93 cents for 1989.

The decline in earnings was the result of a deterioration in the investment market and a special provision for loan losses in the amount of $660,000, for a total provision of $812,000 for the quarter.

This addition increases Bancorp New Jersey's allowance for loan losses to approximately $1.5 million, or .71 percent of total loans. ''This special provision was deemed prudent in recognition of the rapidly deteriorating regional economy, both in the employment and real estate sectors,'' commented D'Agostino.

Bancorp's subsidiary, New Jersey Savings Bank, experienced an increase in nonperforming assets during the quarter to $11.2 million, however, actual charge-offs for the quarter were less than $1,000. At Sept. 30, 1990, Bancorp's capital to assets ratio is 16.25 percent, well in excess of regulatory requirements.

The net interest margin for the nine months was $2.8 million, slightly higher than last year's figure. Assets rose 3 percent to $282.7 million, while deposits also increased 3.9 percent to $234.1 million. Net loans showed a small increase, totaling $215.1 million at Sept. 30, 1990. Book value was stated at $18.59 per share.

It was also reported that New Jersey Savings Bank had received all regulatory approvals for the previously announced acquisition of the Finderne Office (Bridgewater Twp, N.J.) of Hansen Savings Bank SLA. Upon conclusion the acquisition will increase deposits by approximately $10 million. It is expected to provide the Bank with the opportunity to further serve its expanding customer base in Somerset county.

Bancorp New Jersey is the parent company of the 119-year old New Jersey Savings Bank, a wholly-owned subsidiary with six banking offices in Somerset, Hunterdon and Mercer counties. New Jersey Savings Bank is a memeber of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC)

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Beatrice D'Agostino, 201/722-0600

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CHICAGO (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The CNA Insurance Companies, the nation's 8th largest insurance organization, Friday announced a series of organizational changes that will provide for orderly management succession and

ensure the hands-on involvement of Edward J. Noha, chairman of the boards and chief executive officer, for an extended period of time after he reaches age 65 in 1992.

At that time, Noha will assume the chairmanship of CNA Financial Corp. (CNAF), CNA's parent organization.

Noha, who took over the leadership of CNA in 1975, will continue to have overall responsibility and accountability for company operations. Dennis H. Chookaszian, 47, has been named president and chief operating officer, reporting to Noha, with responsibility for field operations, group benefits, specialty operations, national accounts and investments.

Philip L. Engel, 50, has been named executive vice president with responsibility for marketing, underwriting, claims, services and systems. He also will report directly to Noha.

''This action positions CNA for a natural succession of management. It assures that an organization is in place that will preserve the values and strategies of CNA and allow the company to continue to grow and prosper as we move through the transitional years of the 1990's,'' said Noha. ''It is very gratifying to be able to put in place a high-quality team from within our ranks.''

Chookaszian, with the company for 15 years, served as vice president of the corporate finance department and chief financial officer prior to this reorganization. It is anticipated that he will be named chairman of the boards and chief executive officer of the CNA Insurance Companies when Noha assumes chairmanship of CNAF.

Engel, who headed the marketing department for 11 years prior to directing the corporate services and systems functions, has been with CNA for 29 years.

CNA also named four senior vice presidents who will report to Chookaszian: Carolyn L. Murphy, field operations department; Jae L. Wittlich, group benefits department; Bernard L. Hengesbaugh, specialty Operations Department; and Donald E. Harder, national accounts department.

Three senior vice presidents were named who will report to Engel: Peter P. Conway, marketing department; Ernest A. Lausier, underwriting department; and James B. Mullins, claims department.

Peter E. Jokiel was named chief financial officer and senior vice president, corporate finance department. Donald M. Lowry was named general counsel and senior vice president, Law department. David W. Koester was named senior vice president, administration department. Jokiel, Lowry and Koester will report to Noha.

The CNA Insurance Companies is a multi-line insurer offering a full range of coverages and is headquartered in Chicago.

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-30- 3150

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DALLAS (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Mesa L.P. (NYSE:MLP) Friday reported revenues from production of natural gas, natural gas liquids and oil and condensate of $62.9 million, operating income of $4.2 million and a net loss of $4.2 million for the third quarter of 1990.

During the third quarter of 1989, Mesa reported production revenues of $71.4 million, operating income of $19.9 million and a net loss of $21.5 million. Results for the third quarter of 1990 included $32.4 million of net gains relating to securities and futures contracts and $2.5 million of gains from property sales.

The third quarter of 1989 included $1.1 million of net losses from securities transactions and futures contracts and $15.8 million of gains from sales of oil and gas properties.

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Leonard Hruzek, 806/378-1047

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LONDON (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Cadbury Schweppes plc (NASDAQ: CADBY) is pleased to announce the appointment of Ian Hay Davison to the Board of Cadbury Schweppes plc as a non-executive director. Davison brings a breadth of international experience at a senior level, with a strong financial emphasis.

Chairman Sir Graham Day commented: "We are delighted to welcome Ian Davison to the Board of Cadbury Schweppes. We greatly value the role of our non-executive directors, and the independence and wide experience they contribute. Ian Davison has a breadth of experience and will contribute significantly to Board processes."

Since Sept. 1, 1988 Ian Davison has been chairman of stockbrokers Laing & Cruickshank and other Credit Lyonnais Capital Markets companies in the United Kingdom. He was appointed non-executive chairman of Storehouse plc in May 1990. He is also a non-executive director of the Independent newspaper and the

Chloride Group plc.

Following 25 years at Arthur Andersen & Co., where he was managing partner from 1966 to 1982, he became deputy chairman and chief executive of Lloyd's, during a period when significant reforms were implemented. He returned to Arthur Andersen in 1986 as a consultant, until taking up his current appointments detailed above.

Public appointments have included heading Price Commission enquiries into banking and unit trusts and undertaking investigations on behalf of the Department of Trade. He was chairman of the Hong Kong Securities Review Committee, whose report made wide ranging recommendations for the reform of the securities markets in Hong Kong.

Cadbury Schweppes plc is the largest British-owned confectionery and soft drinks company. Cadbury Schweppes ADS are traded on NASDAQ. The ticker symbol is CADBY. One ADS equals ten ordinary shares.

CONTACT: Gavin Anderson Doremus & Co., New York, Fred Fajardo, or Pier Stiny, (212) 921-1060 for Cadbury Schweppes plc, London, Chris Milburn, 011-44-71-262-1222.

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Roosevelt Financial Group Inc. (NASDAQ:RFED) declared the regular quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share, payable Nov. 30 to stockholders of record Nov. 15.

The dividend is the eleventh consecutive payment since the Company declared its initial quarterly cash dividend in 1988. Roosevelt Financial Group Inc. is the holding company for Roosevelt Bank, a Federal Savings Bank.

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Dan O'Donnell, 314/532-6474

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KENOSHA, WI (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Snap-on Tools Corp. board of directors announced a fourth quarter dividend of 27 cents per share, $1.08 annualized, payable Dec. 10, to shareholders of record Nov. 19.

Snap-on Tools Corp. (NYSE: SNA) manufactures and distributes hand- and air-powered tools, tool storage units, and electronic diagnostic equipment for the professional mechanic.

CONTACT: Snap-on Tools Corp., Kenosha

Denis Loverine, 414/656-5421

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BEAUMONT, TX (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Gulf States Utilities Co. Friday (Oct. 26) reported earnings (unaudited) of $60.49 million (41 cents per share of common stock) on revenues of $488.19 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared to a loss of $16.62 million (30 cent per share) on revenues of $466.82 million for the third quarter of 1989.

Increased kilowatt-hour sales and reduced interest charges contributed to the improved performance, company officials said. Sales for the third quarter totaled 8.3 billion kilowatt-hours, compared to 7.8 billion kilowatt-hours sold in the third quarter of 1989.

Sales increased primarily because of hotter than normal weather in July and September and a slight increase in the number of customers. Interest expense continued to decline, as the company retired more than $235 million of debt during the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In 1989, the third quarter results included two material accounting charges. GSU recorded a $37 million net of tax write-off related to the discontinuation of regulatory accounting principles to the company's wholesale jurisdiction. The company also recorded an $18 million net of tax write-off for lignite leases abandoned by Varibus Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Gulf States.

Despite the positive results recorded during the third quarter of 1990, the company recorded a loss of $1.22 per share of common stock for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a loss of 74 cents per share of common stock for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The $1.22 loss reflects the estimated $135 million after-tax cost of the settlement with the Southern Co. recorded during the second quarter of 1990. It also included a significant accounting charge recorded in the fourth quarter of 1989, resulting from the discontinuation of regulatory accounting principles to the company's steam electric department.

GSU also reported that kilowatt-hour sales totaled 28.2 billion for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990--two percent greater than the 27.6 billion kilowatt-hours sold during the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

GSU serves 569,000 electric customers in a 28,000-square-mile area spanning the Gulf Coast between Houston and New Orleans.

CONTACT: Gulf States Utilities Co., Beaumont, Doug McCormick, (409) 839-2858

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#90299b0752 10/26/1990 ~Business Wire

HOUSTON (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Tenneco Inc. (NYSE:TGT) announced Friday that its Packaging Corp. of America subsidiary acquired Dixie Container Corp., a privately held corrugated container company.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

The closing follows the signing of a definitive agreement in February 1990.

Headquartered in Richmond, Va., Dixie operates seven facilities with more than 650 employees. Three container plants are located in Richmond, Va., Honea Path, S.C., and Morganton, N.C. Three corrugated sheet plants are located in Roanoke, Va., High Point, N.C., and Knoxville, Tenn. Dixie also owns a recycled medium mill in Sylva, N.C.

According to Monte R. Haymon, PCA president and CEO, this acquisition supports PCA's strategy to expand in the Southeast, the nation's fastest growing region for corrugated box shipments. ''It will strengthen our overall presence in this area, while enhancing customer partnerships with the furniture, textile and electronics industries,'' he said.

''PCA will also add recycled medium production capability with Dixie's Jackson Mill in Sylva, N.C. This capability to produce recycled medium will address the growing market demand for recycled materials in corrugated products,'' Haymon added.

In addition, the acquisition will expand PCA's network of corrugated fabricators in the Southeast and establish PCA's East Coast presence as a manufacturer of heavy-duty corrugated products.

With Dixie and the pending acquisition of select assets of Georgia-Pacific Corporation, PCA will operate a total of 56 converting facilities and five containerboard mills nationwide. The Georgia-Pacific transaction was reported in September.

''The closing of these acquisitions will support our strategic objective to strengthen PCA's leadership position in its core businesses,'' said Haymon.

A Tenneco company, PCA is a leading manufacturer of corrugated containers, containerboard, recycled paperboard, folding cartons, molded fibre products and plastic containers.

Tenneco Inc. (NYSE:TGT) is a Houston-based, diversified industrial corporation with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, automotive parts, shipbuilding, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

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#90299b0757 10/26/1990 ~Business Wire
MARLBORO, MA (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Data Translation Inc. (NASDAQ:DATX) Friday announced that it has reduced the company's work force by 37 people, approximately 15 percent, effective immediately.

The reduction in force reflects action taken by the company to control expenses across all areas in response to continued depressed sales levels. No further reductions in force are planned at the present time.

Data Translation Inc. designs, manufactures and markets high-performance data acquisition and image processing board products and software that serve the laboratory, medical and industrial markets. Its products are compatible with many widely-used microcomputers, including those from Apple, DEC, IBM, Intel and Sun.

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Robert P. Cirrone, 508/481-3700, ext. 220

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NASHUA, N.H. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Nashua Corp. (NYSE:NSH) Friday voted a quarterly dividend of $.18 per share on the company's common stock.

Payment date is Jan. 3, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 13, 1990.

Nashua Corp. provides a diverse mix of products and services which includes coated paper products, computer products, office supplies and photofinishing services.

CONTACT: Nashua Corp., Nashua Daniel M. Junius, 603/880-2363

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#90299b0770 10/26/1990 ~Business Wire
ENGLEWOOD, CO (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - J.W. Gant Financial Inc. (Boston:JWGU), an investment banking and broker/dealer member of the Boston Stock Exchange, announced effective Friday the units which trade on the Boston Exchange under the symbol (JWGU) will trade spearately on the Boston Exchange as common stock under the symbol (JWG) and preferred stock under the symbol (JWGpr).

J.W. Gant Financial Inc. is a holding company for its wholly-owned securities brokerage, trading and investment banking subsidiary, J.W. Gant & Associates

Inc., an operationally-integrated self-clearing firm with headquarters in Englewood, Colo., and its regional office in Boca Raton, Fla.

It is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD).

CONTACT: J.W. Gant Financial Inc., Englewood
Eric Russell, 303/850-7799

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Alabama Power Co. announced Friday that a total of 50,000 shares of its 11 percent preferred stock will be redeemed on Jan. 1, 1991, in compliance with sinking fund provisions contained in the Articles of Incorporation.

This is a partial redemption from a total of 175,000 - 11 percent preferred shares outstanding. Shares will be chosen for redemption by a random selection of shareholders of record on Nov. 13. A notice listing redeemed certificates will be mailed to affected shareholders at least 30 days prior to the date of redemption.

Certificates selected for redemption should be mailed to the Redemption Agent, Harris Trust Company of New York, P.O. Box 1023 Wall Street Station, New York, N.Y. 10268, on or before Jan. 1, 1991. On the

redemption date, the registered owners who surrender redeemed shares will be eligible to receive a payment of $100 per share.

The quarterly dividend due on rdeeemed shares will be paid on Jan. 1, 1991, by Alabama Power Co. to shareholders of record on Dec. 4.
No additional dividend is due nor will be paid by the Redemption Agent.
On Jan. 1, 1991, dividends on the shares of 11 percent preferred stock called for redemption shall cease to accrue, and all rights of the holders, except the right to receive the redemption price without interest, shall cease and terminate.

Redeemed shares presented for transfer after Nov. 13 will be returned to sender. If requested by registered owner or agent, the redeemed shares will be transferred after Nov. 13, but certificates will be stamped with appropriate notice of redemption.

CONTACT: Alabama Power Co., Birmingham
Chris Conway, 205/250-2385

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Ehrlich Bober Financial Corp. reported financial results for its fourth fiscal quarter and year ended June 30, 1990.

As previously reported, on Oct. 9, 1990, the company announced that it would immediately terminate the ongoing operations of its broker/dealer and investment banking subsidiary, Ehrlich Bober & Co. Inc.

For the three months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported a loss from operations of $486,000 as compared to a profit of $1,107,000 in the same period last year. For the year, the company reported a loss from continuing operations of $2,841,000 as compared to a loss of $1,767,000 for the prior year.

After giving effect to the discontinuance of operations of Ehrlich Bober & Co. Inc., the company reported a net loss of $9,748,000 for the year ended June 30 1990, as compared to a loss of $1,486,000 for the year ended June 30, 1989.

With regard to the future operations of the company, the board of directors has determined to seek to enter into other operating business through the acquisition of existing companies.

At present, there are no plans to acquire any specific company or change any particular line of business.

CONACT: Ehrlich Bober Financial Corp., New York
Neil S. Baritz, 212/856-4304

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CHATTANOOGA, TENN. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Provident Life and Accident Insurance Co. of America (NASDAQ:PACCB) has announced a $15.1 million improvement in net income for the third quarter of 1990, compared with the third quarter of 1989.

Net income was $50.5 million ($1.09 per share) in the third quarter of 1990, a 42 percent increase over the $35.5 million (76 cents per share) reported in the year ago quarter.

Included in the net income figures are net realized investment losses of $21.0 million on a before-tax basis in the third quarter of 1990, compared to net realized investment losses of $1.8 million last year.

Excluding these losses on an after-tax basis, net income rose 76 percent in the third quarter of 1990, compared to last year.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 increased 34 percent to $129.1 million ($2.78 per share) from $96.6 million ($2.07 per share) in the first

nine months of 1989.

Net realized investment losses were $30.7 million on a before-tax basis for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to losses of $0.1 million last year. For the first nine months, net income excluding after tax net realized investment gains and losses increased 55 percent over the comparable period for 1989.

Non-current investments totaled $205.5 million at Sept. 30, 1990, or 1.7 percent of Provident's aggregate investment portfolio. This compares to $189.8 million at Dec. 31, 1989 and $237.5 million at June 30, 1990.

Premiums and premium equivalents for the first nine months of 1990 increased 3 percent to $3.21 billion from $3.13 billion last year. Book value per share was $28.05 as of Sept. 30, 1990.

The employee benefits segment recorded another quarter of strong earnings improvement with net income of $21.7 million in the third quarter of 1990. This represented a jump of $14.6 million, compared to the $7.1 million reported in the third quarter of 1989.

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MATTITUCK, NY (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - North Fork Bancorporation, Inc. (NYSE:NFB) Friday reported that net income for the three months ended Sept. 30 was $2.1 million, or 24 cents per share. This compares with net income of $5.1 million, or 55 cents per share, for the comparable quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net income was $8.9 million, or 99 cents per share, as compared with $15.3 million, or $1.65 per share for the comparable period of 1989.

The decline in earnings quarter over quarter is principally attributable to a $6.3 million loan loss provision charged to earnings during the 1990 third quarter. ''As we experience a further economic slowdown in the regional economy we continue to adhere to our strategic plan of bolstering our allowance for loan losses,'' said John Adam Kanas, chairman and chief executive officer.

The provision increases the allowance for loan losses to $16.6 million, or 1.37 percent of total loans compared with $8.6 million, or .68 percent of loans in the prior year.

On an annualized basis net charge-offs were .43 percent and .15 percent for

the first nine months of 1990 and 1989, respectively. The level of non-performing assets in the 1990 third quarter was $63.3 million, or 3.60 percent of total assets as compared with $47.5 million, or 2.51 percent of total assets at June 30.

Based on current appraisals and the banks' position as first lineholder on virtually all non-performing real estate loans, actual losses are expected to be within tolerable ranges as the bank liquidates its collateral.

The increase in the level of non-performing assets during the year contributed to the decline in net interest income, on a taxable equivalent basis, to $16.4 million, or 3.81 percent for the quarter as compared with $17.3 million, or 4.43 percent for the comparable period in the prior year.

North Fork Bancorporation, Inc. is the holding company for North Fork Bank and Trust Co. and Southold Savings Bank. North Fork Bank and Trust Co. is a commercial bank operating through 28 branch locations in Suffolk and Nassau County. Southold Savings Bank is an eight branch savings bank operating in Suffolk County.

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SAN FRANSISCO, CA (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Laser Systems Ins. (NASDAQ:PXLS) Friday announced that the board of directors of the company has authorized an extension of the offer for conversion of Phoenix Preferred Stock.

The new deadline is Nov. 9, 1990, at 5 p.m. Pacific Time. Originally, the offer was scheduled to expire today (Friday, Oct. 26) at 5 p.m., Pacific Time.

The voluntary conversion offer calls for each share of Phoenix Preferred Stock to be converted into 4.25 shares of the company's Common Stock plus a warrant permitting the holder to purchase a share of Phoenix Common Stock at $1.50 per share.

According to Phoenix Laser Systems Inc., the response to the voluntary conversion offer has proved overwhelming so that additional time is required for interested stockholders to complete the necessary paperwork.

As a result of this response, after the conversion is completed, the remaining number of shares of Preferred Stock outstanding may not be sufficient to meet the minimum for continued listing on NASDAQ. The Common Stock and existing warrants will continue to be listed on NASDAQ.

Phoenix Laser Systems Inc. is a developer of integrated laser workstations primarily for use by the medical community. The company's initial efforts have focused on the design, development and testing of its first product, the Phoenix Ophthalmic Surgical Workstation.

The Ophthalmic Surgical Workstation is a self-contained proprietary workstation that combines on-line diagnostic measurement, advanced laser beam positioning, high-speed tissue tracking, and therapeutic devices for the precise control of laser surgery. The company's technology permits surgery at cellular levels, without creating significant thermal damage to surrounding cells. Phoenix recently completed initial human clinical testing of its technology.

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Beverly Jedynak, 312/943-1100

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Dreyfus Strategic Municipals Inc. (NYSE SYMBOL:LEO) declared from net investment income its monthly cash dividend of $0.065 per share of common stock, payable on Nov. 23, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 9, 1990. The previous cash dividend declared in September was also $0.065 per share.

CONTACT: The Dreyfus Corporation, New York
Legal Department, 212/922-6808

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MANCHESTER, N.H. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Numerica Financial Corp. (OTC:NUME) announced Friday that James F. Dickerson, president and chief executive officer of Numerica Savings Bank, has resigned from the Numerica Financial Corp. board of directors, and from his position as president and chief executive officer of Numerica Savings Bank, effective immediately.

Dickerson will be succeeded by Ralph E. Jensen, president and chief executive officer of Numerica Financial Corp. Jensen had served as president of Numerica Savings Bank for 13 years prior to Dickerson joining the company in 1988.

This transition is consistent with the company's critical objective to further lower operating expenses through functional consolidation.

Numerica Financial Corp. is a $990 million multiple savings and loan holding company headquartered in Manchester, N.H., with 17 offices located throughout

the state.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Fulton Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ:FFSB) Friday reported a net loss of $7.9 million, or $1.89 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

This compares with a net loss of $14.5 million, or $3.45 per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, the bank reported a net loss of $20.5 million, or $4.88 per share, compared with a net loss of $20.6 million, or $4.91 per share, for the first nine months of 1989.

Henry B. Garmon, chairman and chief executive officer of Fulton Federal, said that Fulton Federal continues to suffer from operating losses primarily resulting from the effects of a low net interest spread, combined with provisions for possible losses on certain loan and real estate assets necessitated by the continued weakness in the general economy and real estate market.

The third quarter results, when compared with the same quarter last year, reflected higher net interest income (after provision for possible losses on loans and securities), which increased from a net expense of $433,000 for the third quarter of 1989 to net interest income of $367,000 for the comparable quarter of 1990; higher non-interest income, which increased from $2.5 million to $3.4 million, respectively; and lower non-interest expense, which decreased from $16.7 million to $11.7 million, respectively.

The improvement in net interest income resulted primarily from a smaller provision for possible losses on loans and securities ($2.6 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared with $5.3 million for the third quarter of 1989).

Fulton Federal's non-interest income in the third quarter of 1990 included a $3.1 million gain on the sale of its mortgage servicing business. A significant factor in the lower non-interest expense in 1990's third quarter was a smaller provision for possible losses on real estate owned and repossessed assets ($1.4 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared with $5.9 million for the third quarter of 1989).

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $2.1 billion, down from $2.3 billion at Dec. 31, 1989. Stockholders' equity declined during the same period from $15

million to a negative $5.5 million.

As a result of, among other things, Fulton Federal's regulatory capital position, the bank continues to operate under an agreement with the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) that imposes severe restrictions on the bank's growth investments and operations.

The agreement with the OTS also requires the bank's board of directors to consider and, subject to their fiduciary duties, approve any agreement submitted by the OTS for the acquisition of or capital infusion into the bank.

In light of the bank's continuing losses and substantial capital deficiency, it is likely that any transaction involving the bank will require government assistance and that stockholders will not retain any significant equity ownership, if they retain any ownership interest at all, in the resultant institution.

The bank's board of directors continues to be willing to work with the OTS to effect a resolution of the institution's capital deficiency, according to Garmon.

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James J. Wallace, 404/249-7309

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PORTLAND, ME (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc. (NASDAQ:PHBK) announced Friday a substantial increase in its quarterly provision for loan losses to $76.4 million which resulted in a loss of $44.7 million, or $5.48 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with a $6.0 million profit, or 71 cents per share for the same quarter in 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 the company reported a net loss of $54.1 million, or $6.69 per share compared to a profit of $17.6 million, or $2.08 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

The increased provisions resulted in an $84.0 million reserve for loan losses at Sept. 30, 1990. This reserve represents 61.51 percent of all non-performing assets at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with reserves at June 30, 1990 of $36.3 million, or 33.89 percent of non-performing assets.

The company continues to be well capitalized with a primary capital ratio of 7.95 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, which is well above the required minimum of 5.5 percent. Shareholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $179.2 million, with 8,170,117 shares outstanding, resulting in a book value of $21.94.

William J. Ryan, president and chief executive officer of Peoples Heritage

Financial Group Inc., said, ''This significant increase in loan loss reserves was influenced by several important events:

''Our non-performing loans grew $18.5 million during the third quarter to $120.1 million at quarter end, or 5.95 percent of total loans. Total non-performing assets grew $29.4 million to $136.6 million at quarter end, or 4.57 percent of total assets. The expectation three months ago of no further weakening in the economy proved to be wrong.

''Second, declining real estate values, as evidenced by recent appraisals, required a more extensive reserve as we assessed the weakening collateral value supporting troubled loans. Reduction in real estate values accounted for a major portion of the $28.7 million of net charge offs during the quarter.

Third, our ongoing close internal review continues to identify deterioration in asset quality in the commercial portfolio.

Preliminary results of several weeks of an ongoing regular FDIC and State bank examination of Peoples Heritage Bank supports the conclusions of our independent loan review staff.''

To preserve capital, the company's board of directors voted to suspend the dividend payment for the third quarter. Payment of future dividends will be reassessed quarterly and will be dependent on the board's consideration of the company's results of operations, economic trends and other factors. Other Financial Data

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $3.0 billion, a 7.92 percent increase over Sept. 30, 1989. Total loans have decreased by 2.12 percent from $2.1 billion a year ago to $2.0 billion at Sept. 30, 1990.

Ryan also noted several positive results during the third quarter:

-- The company generated $7.4 million of pre-tax operating earnings prior to the provision for loan losses.

-- Peoples Heritage Bank, the company's major subsidiary, continues to perform as the leading Maine-based residential mortgage lender in the state. In spite of the depressed real estate market, the bank originated $122.1 million of residential mortgages as of Sept. 30, 1990, 18.47 percent ahead of the same period in 1989. Additionally, the company is experiencing favorable growth in consumer lending, which is up 18.2 percent over a year ago.

-- In September, Peoples Heritage Bank purchased, at no premium, approximately $250 million of deposits in Maine from the Resolution Trust Corp. Over the next several months, these core deposits will replace higher cost funding sources. In addition, the bank continues to strengthen its fee income, thereby building a foundation for future earnings.

-- First Coastal Bank Inc., the company's New Hampshire subsidiary, generated net income during the third quarter of $855 thousand in spite of the adverse economic environment.

-- The company's cost containment measures continue to produce a favorable operating expense ratio to average assets of 2.10 percent for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Looking Ahead

The company continues to actively manage those events within its control. For example, cost containment and expense reduction objectives have been intensified. Loan policies are continually monitored in an effort to reduce future deterioration of current loan production. Additional resources are being committed to areas of the company to expedite loan workout negotiations and to manage effectively acquired real estate.

Two significant ingredients beyond the company's control remain that of real estate values and the overall health of the economy. The uncertainty of these issues and their importance to the company will in large part influence future earnings.

Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc. is the largest Maine-based bank holding company with assets of $3.0 billion at Sept. 30, 1990. The holding company holds three direct subsidiaries: Peoples Heritage Bank, which operates over 50 banking centers located throughout Maine and its principal subsidiaries, Heritage Investment Planning Group Inc. and Northeast Leasing; Oxford Bank and Trust, which operates five offices in western Maine; and First Coastal Banks Inc., a N.H. bank holding company which is comprised of the First National Bank of Portsmouth and Merchants National Bank, which operate 11 offices in the Portsmouth/Dover area.

Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc.
Selected Financial Highlights (Unaudited)
(In thousands, except number of shares and per share data)

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,		Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net interest income	62,688	61,143	20,177	21,560
Net income (loss)	(54,099)	17,639	(44,716)	6,013
Number of shares outstanding (end of period)	8,170,117	8,500,249	8,170,117	8,500,249
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	8,091,913	8,482,479	8,155,689	8,495,768
Earnings per share	(6.69)	2.08	(5.48)	0.71
Shareholder's equity	179,246	244,503	179,246	244,503
Book value per share	21.94	28.76	21.94	28.76
Ratios: Net interest margin (net interest income as				

a percent of average earnings assets)-(a)	3.14%	3.59%	3.07%	3.44%
Net interest spread (yield on earning assets minus yield on interest - bearing deposits and borrowings-(a)	2.53%	2.84%	2.53%	2.74%
Return to average assets	NM	0.97%	NM	0.89%
Return on average equity	NM	9.86%	NM	9.81%
Average equity to average assets	7.87%	9.82%	7.51%	9.10%
Return on invested capital-(b)	NM	14.26%	NM	14.09%
Full service banking offices	74	62	74	62

(a)-Adjusted to fully taxable equivalent basis.

(b)-Net income divided by net proceeds received from stock conversion, adjusted for average return on equity in subsequent periods.

Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited)
(in thousands, except number of shares and per share data)

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,		
	1990	1989	% Change
Interest and dividend income	$215,179	$193,423	11.25%
Interest expense	152,491	132,280	15.28%
Net interest income	62,688	61,143	2.53%
Provision for loan losses	106,490	8,064	NM
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	(43,721)	53,079	NM
Other income:			
Net gains on loans and securities	(508)	1,307	NM
Fees and service charges on deposit accounts	2,813	1,555	80.90%
Fees and service charges on loans	3,707	1,695	118.57%
Real estate investment income (loss)	(1,813)	(546)	NM
Other income	1,595	873	82.70%
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	5,794	4,885	18.61%
Other expenses:			
Salaries and employee benefits	20,870	15,589	33.88%
Net occupancy expense	4,566	3,353	36.18%
Equipment expense	2,947	2,026	45.46%
Other	16,762	11,803	42.01%

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	45,145	32,771	37.76%
Income before income taxes	(83,072)	25,193	NM
Applicable income taxes	(28,973)	7,554	NM
Net income (loss)	$ (54,099)	$17,639	NM
Weighted average	8,091,913	8,482,479	
Earnings per share	$ (6.69)	$ 2.08	NM
Earnings per share, exclusive of net securities gains	$ (6.48)	$ 1.98	NM

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		
	1990	1989	% Change
Interest and dividend income	$ 70,867	$ 70,934	-0.09%
Interest expense	50,690	49,374	2.67%
Net interest income	20,177	21,560	-6.41%
Provision for loan losses	76,362	2,953	NM
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	(56,185)	18,607	NM
Other income:			
Net gains on loans and securities	482	858	-43.82%
Fees and service charges on deposit accounts	964	679	41.97%
Fees and service charges on loans	2,148	831	158.48%
Real estate investment income (loss)	(595)	(528)	12.69%
Other income	286	461	-37.96%
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	3,285	2,301	42.76%
Other expenses:			
Salaries and employee benefits	7,155	5,981	19.63%
Net occupancy expense	1,527	1,274	19.86%
Equipment expense	966	780	23.85%
Other	5,891	4,324	36.24%
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	15,539	12,359	25.73%
Income before income taxes	(68,439)	8,549	NM
Applicable income taxes	(23,723)	2,536	NM
Net income (loss)	$ (44,716)	$ 6,013	NM
Weighted average	8,155,689	8,495,768	
Earnings per share	$ (5.48)	$ 0.71	NM
Earnings per share, exclusive of net securities gains	$ (5.37)	$ 0.64	NM

Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc.
Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)

(In Thousands) Sept. 30, %

	1990	1989	Change
ASSETS			
Cash and due from banks	$75,841	$55,082	37.69
Interest-bearing deposits in banks	2,446	2,748	-10.99
Investment securities	457,907	288,236	58.87
Mortgage backed securities	245,320	225,192	8.94
Federal funds sold	21,202	34,210	-38.02
Loans and leases:			
Residential real estate mortgages	436,760	578,530	-24.51
Commercial real estate mortgages	686,646	666,700	2.99
Commercial business loans and leases	462,941	451,316	2.58
Consumer	431,677	365,136	18.22
Total loans and leases	2,018,024	2,061,682	-2.12
Less Allowance for loan losses	84,000	18,011	366.38
Net loans	1,934,024	2,043,671	-5.37
Bank premises and equipment	32,351	31,832	1.63
Investments in real estate	10,920	9,577	14.02
Other assets	205,189	75,632	171.30

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SIDNEY, OH (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The Monarch Machine Tool Co. (NYSE:MMO) Friday released figures for the first nine months of 1990, reporting revenues of $86,275,842 and net income of $1,164,535 or 31 cents per common share compared with 1989 revenues of $71,579,531 with net income of $1,182,872 or 31 cents per common share.

Third quarter revenues for 1990 were $31,889,868 with net income of $573,625 or 15 cents per common share compared with 1989 revenues of $23,959,240 with net income of $271,942 or 7 cents per common share.

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Earl Hull, 513/492-4111

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwestern Bell Corp. (NYSE:SBC) Friday announced the election of Tulsa, Okla., executive James E. Barnes to its

board of directors.

''Mr. Barnes brings to the Southwestern Bell team a wealth of knowledge and experience that will be helpful to our business,'' said Edward E. Whitacre Jr. chairman and chief executive officer of Southwestern Bell Corp. ''We're pleased to have him join us.''

Barnes is replacing John W. Bates Jr. of Tulsa, chairman emeritus of Reading & Bates Corp. who has retired from the Southwestern Bell Corp. board. The new board member is not related to Zane E. Barnes, chairman emeritus of Southwestern Bell Corp. The election is effective Nov. 1.

Barnes, 56, is chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of MAPCO Inc., a diversified energy company headquarted in Tulsa. He joined MAPCO in 1983 as senior executive vice president and chief executive officer, became president and chief executive officer in 1984 and chairman of the board in 1986. He is a member of MAPCO's board of directors.

Prior to joining MAPCO, Barnes was with Conoco, Inc. for 27 years, where he held various engineering and management positions, rising to the post of executive vice president for petroleum products in North America, responsible for all refining, marketing, transportation and natural gas and gas products activities.

A native of Ponca City, Okla., Barnes attended The University of Texas and received a degree in industrial engineering/management from Oklahoma A&M in 1957.

Barnes is a director of Vista Chemical Co., Kansas City Southern Industries Inc., BancOklahoma Corp. and the American Petroleum Institute. He is a member of the National Coal Council, the Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association and the International Institute for Strategic Studies.

He is a member and past chairman of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education. He has served on the Oklahoma State University Foundation Board of Governors. He's a member of the executive committee of the Oklahoma Academy for State Goals, the Edowment Committee of the Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence and the Engineering Foundation Advisory Council at the University of Texas at Austin.

In the civic arena, he is a director of the Metropolitan Tulsa Chamber of Commerce, the Oklahoma State Chamber of Commerce and St. Francis Hospital.

He's held various leadership positions with the Boy Scouts of America, and has served on the boards of the Tulsa Opera, Tulsa Area United Way and Philbrook Museum of Art.

He's been elected to the Oklahoma State University and College of Engineering

Halls of Fame and has received the National Petroleum Hall of Fame Distinguished Service Award.

The election of Barnes to the Southwestern Bell Corp. board brings the number of its directors to 18.

Southwestern Bell Corp., based in St. Louis, is an international communications corporation with 1.1 million shareowners. It provides a variety of products and services through its principal subsidiaries including Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems, Southwestern Bell Yellow Pages, Southwestern Bell Telecom and Metromedia Paging Services.

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GREEN BAY, WIS. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Fort Howard Corp. Friday announced financial results for its third quarter ended Sept. 30.

For the third quarter, Fort Howard's tissue sales increased 10.3 percent to $299,949,000 compared to 1989 third quarter sales of $271,921,000. For the first nine months of 1990, sales were $858,888,000, an increase of 9.5 percent over 1989 sales of $784,150,000 for the like period.

Operating income of $74,274,000 for the third quarter of 1990 was 15.8 percent higher than the third quarter of 1989. Operating income for the first nine months increased 10.2 percent to $196,934,000 from $178,629,000 in the first nine months of 1989.

In connection with the company's previously announced divestiture of certain cup operations, Fort Howard changed its accounting for the cup operations to the equity method during the third quarter of 1989. Accordingly, the losses before equity earnings reported in the accompanying financial statements include only the results of Fort Howard's tissue business.

The company's other income in the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 includes interest earnings of $8,200,000 and $23,300,000, respectively, on promissory notes and debentures received in connection with the transfer of the capital stock of its North American cup operations to Sweetheart Holdings Inc.

Fort Howard Corp.
Consolidated Statements of Income
(In thousands, except per share data)

Three Months Ended	Nine Months Ended
Sept. 30,	Sept. 30,

	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$299,949	$271,921	$858,888	$784,150
Operating income	74,274	64,156	196,934	178,629
Interest expense	104,111	106,773	314,849	305,076
Other income, net	(9,437)	(641)	(28,482)	(3,458)
Loss before taxes	(20,400)	(41,976)	(89,433)	(122,989)
Income taxes (credit)	(5,022)	59,459	(26,027)	27,259
loss before equity earnings	(15,378)	(101,435)	(63,406)	(150,248)
Equity in net loss of unconsolidated subsidiaries	(5,022)	(48,165)	(13,067)	(54,302)
Net loss	$ (20,400)	$(149,600)	$(76,473)	$(204,550)

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GREENWICH, Conn. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Dynamics Corp. of America (NYSE:DYA) had net sales of $28,792,000 and net income of $234,000, or 6 cents per share.

This compares with net sales of $31,920,000 and net income of $1,363,000, or 33 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

Per share income was computed on the basis of weighted average common shares outstanding which were 3,897,939 in the current quarter and 4,005,355 in 1989.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, DCA had net sales of $85,036,000 and net income of $504,000, or 13 cents per share. This compares with net sales of $92,776,000 and net income of $2,561,000, or 63 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Third quarter and nine-month results include $78,000 and $938,000 of income of CTS Corp. as compared to $850,000 and $2,373,000 of such income in the same periods in 1989, respectively. This represents the company's proportionate share of CTS' earnings in accordance with the equity method of accounting required for that investment.

Dynamics Corp. of America is a diversified company which manufactures electronic components, mobile vans and transportable shelters for specialized electronic and medical diagnostic equipment, portable electric housewares and commercial appliances, air distribution equipment, specialized air conditioning equipment and generator sets.

CONTACT: Dynamics Corp. of America, Greenwich Evelyn Dametta, 203/869-3211

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HUNTINGTON STATION, NY (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Protein Databases Inc. (OTC:PDIQ) Friday reported a net loss for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $194,740 on revenues of $324,269, compared with net loss of $316,409 on revenues of $127,239 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The per share loss was $.002 in the third quarter of 1990 compared with $.003 in the same period of 1989. The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $468,921 on revenues of $1,364,654, compared with a net loss of $1,012,607 on revenues of $496,315 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The per share loss was $.005 in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared with $.01 in the same period of 1989. The revenues include Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM) equipment costs of $129,435 and $567,503 in the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively, as compared with $22,708 and $169,839 of such costs in revenues for the third quarter and first nine months of 1989, respectively.

''Revenues, net of OEM equipment costs, increased approximately 86 percent from 1989 to 1990's third quarter and in the nine months ended Sept 30, 1990, such revenues increased approximately 121 percent compared to the same period of 1989 (excluding license fees from Millipor Corp. of $75,000 in the first nine months of 1990),'' according to Stephen H. Blose, president and chief executive officer.

However, the company's present financial position remains tenuous. Additional funds may be required to repay loans from a stockholder on December 31 and for working capital after Dec. 31. The company is exploring potential sources of additional financing but there can be no assurance that additional funds from external sources will be available, in which event, the company may be forced to cease operations.

Protein Databases Inc. markets protein and DNA analysis software systems for life sciences research and biotechnology applications at universities and research hospital laboratories, and at government, industrial and other research laboratories and comparable foreign institutions.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Philip Morris Companies Inc. has announced that Steven C. Parrish is appointed vice president and general

counsel of Philip Morris U.S.A. and James J. Morgan is named corporate vice president, marketing planning of Philip Morris Management Corp.

Both appointments are effective Oct. 29, 1990.

In his new position, Parrish will be responsible for management of Philip Morris U.S.A.'s legal affairs, as well as overseeing environmental tobacco issues. He will report to Murray H. Bring, senior vice president and general counsel, Philip Morris Companies Inc.

Since June of 1990, Parrish served as vice president, corporate scientific affairs, Philip Morris Management Corp. Previously, he was with Philip Morris International in Lausanne, Switzerland. Prior to joining the company, Parrish was a partner in the law firm of Shook, Hardy and Bacon. Parrish succeeds Mr. Frederic S. Newman, previously vice president and general counsel, Philip Morris U.S.A., who is leaving the company to pursue other interests.

Morgan, who had served as senior vice president, planning, Philip Morris U.S.A., since January 1990, will report to Marc S. Goldberg, senior vice president, corporate planning, Philip Morris Companies Inc.

Previously, Morgan was senior vice president, corporate marketing for Kraft General Foods, Inc., an operating company of Philip Morris Companies Inc., from June 1989 to January 1990.

Morgan joined the company in 1965 as assistant to the advertising production manager, Philip Morris U.S.A. He served in a variety of positions within Philip Morris U.S.A., becoming executive vice president of marketing, a position he held from 1978 to 1983. Morgan was appointed staff vice president, marketing planning of Philip Morris Companies Inc., in September 1988.

Philip Morris Companies Inc. has five principal operating companies: Philip Morris Incorporated (Philip Morris U.S.A.); Philip Morris International Inc.; Kraft General Foods, Inc.; Miller Brewing Company, and Philip Morris Capital Corporation.

CONTACT: Philip Morris Companies, New York
Alice T. McGillion, 212/880-3475

-30- 2349

#90299b0842 10/26/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Vincent J. Buccellato has been appointed senior vice president, marketing and sales, for Philip Morris International Inc., effective Oct. 29, 1990.

He will report to Dinyar S. Devitre, senior vice president and chief administrative officer.

Most recently Buccellato was senior vice president, sales, for Philip Morris U.S.A., a position he held since January 1990. Before that, he was vice president, sales, for Philip Morris U.S.A., for seven years.

Buccellato has served in a variety of sales and marketing positions with Philip Morris U.S.A. since he first joined the company in 1967 as a Marketing Analyst. His career at Philip Morris was interrupted in 1968, when he was called to serve as an Army First Lieutenant in Vietnam. He was awarded the Bronze Star with two oak leaf clusters, the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry and the Purple Heart.

He returned to Philip Morris U.S.A. in 1970 to fill various marketing and field sales assignments, including brand manager positions with Merit and Marlboro. In 1980, Buccellato was appointed vice president, marketing of Benson & Hedges Ltd. in Canada. He was named Group Director, brand management for Philip Morris U.S.A. in April 1983.

Buccellato graduated from the University of Notre Dame in 1967 and received his master of business administration degree from Fordham University in 1976. He lives in Oakland, N.J.

Philip Morris International Inc., a subsidiary of Philip Morris Companies Inc. is the largest international private tobacco company. It manufactures and markets more than 140 cigarette brands through affiliates and licensees in 57 countries and territories. The company employs 26,000 people in more than 140 countries.

CONTACT: Philip Morris International Inc., New York, Carter A. Prescott, 212/880-3486

-30- 2039

#90299b0854 10/26/1990 ~Business Wire

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Worthen Banking Corp. (ASE:WOR) has announced that the corporation's Little Rock affiliate, Worthen Bank & Trust Co., N.A. (Worthen Bank), has acquired from the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC) certain assets and deposit liabilities of First State Savings Bank, FSB of Mountain Home, Ark. (First State).

First State operates two offices in Mountain Home and one branch each in Bull Shoals and Salem, Ark. The four offices of First State will open as branches of Worthen Bank on Monday, with the Northeast branch in Mountain Home also being open on Saturday as a branch of Worthen Bank.

Worthen Bank submitted the winning bid of approximately $1.1 million for the acquisition of First State, which includes approximately $100 million in deposits. The acquisition gives Worthen Bank total assets of approximately

$956 million and Worthen Banking Corp. total assets of approximately $2.1 billion.

''With this purchase, Worthen Bank expands its role as the first commercial bank in Arkansas to operate a statewide network of branches,'' said Curt Bradbury, chairman, president, and chief executive officer.

''While Worthen Banking Corp. has had a statewide presence through its affiliate banks prior to this, the purchase of First State by Worthen Bank enhances our existing market penetration in north central Arkansas and introduces us to several new communities,'' Bradbury said.

In addition to its 15 branches in Little Rock and Maumelle, Worthen Bank now has branches in Fayetteville, Springdale, Rogers, Bentonville, Belle Vista, Bull Shoals, Mountain Home, Salem, Callico Rock, Pocohontas, Walnut Ridge, Jonesboro, Harrisburg, Newport, Ashflat, Batesville, Heber Springs, Searcy, Des Arc, and Hot Springs, Ark.

Worthen representatives met with the former First State employees late Friday. Worthen has established a hotline telephone number (1-800-477-2264) for First State customers and is sending additional Worthen Bank staff to assist the First State branch personnel in greeting customers, answering questions and providing other information about the transition.

Customers may continue to use their existing First State checks, deposit slips and other materials during the transition period, Bradbury said.

''We are very excited about our new employees and the opportunity to serve our new customers in Mountain Home, Salem, and Bull Shoals,'' Bradbury said.

''We are also excited about the added momentum that this creates for our bank and our corporation,'' Bradbury stated. ''When you add these four new locations to those already served by our 10 banks around the state, Worthen Banking Corp. now has a banking network including 91 branch locations serving 40 different Arkansas communities,'' Bradbury said.

''This statewide presence increases the opportunity for Worthen to make a significant contribution to the economic development not only in each of these communities, but also to the state as a whole,'' Bradbury said.

CONTACT: Worthen Banking Corp., Little Rock Patrick O'Sullivan, 501/378-1203

-30- 3305

#90299c0002 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 25) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:25 that trade in Ameribanc Inc.(NASDAQ: ABNK) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 13 1/2, 14 1/2. The company is located in St. Joseph, MO.

-30- 345
#90299c0003 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:30 that trade in Andover Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: ANDB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 1/4. The company is located in Andover, MA.

-30- 341
#90299c0004 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:33 that trade in Breakwater Resources LTD (NASDAQ: BWRL) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3/4. The company is located in Vancouver, B.C.

-30- 352
#90299c0005 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:55 that trade in Pop Radio Corp.(NASDAQ: POPX) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 18 1/2.

-30- 292
#90299c0006 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:07 that trade in Del-Val Financial Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol DVL.

-30- 324
#90299c0008 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:57 that trade in Ameribanc Inc.(NASDAQ: ABNK) has been resumed. The first bid was 13 1/2; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 336
#90299c0009 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:06 that trade in Pop Radio Corp.(NASDAQ: POPX) has been resumed. The first sale was 18 3/4; up 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 340
#90299c0010 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:23 that trade in Commercial Bancorporation of Colorado (NASDAQ: CBOC) has been halted pending

news. The last sale was 5. The company is located in Denver, CO.

-30- 374
#90299c0011 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:27 that trade in Andover Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: ANDB) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 3/8; up 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 350
#90299c0012 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Del-Val Financial has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol DVL. Trading was resumed at 11:27.

-30- 345
#90299c0013 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:57 that trade in Dime Savings Bank of New York has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol DME.

-30- 338
#90299c0014 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 24:

BPI Environmental Inc. - Units 10/28/93 (BPIEU)
Neozyme Corp. - Units 12/31/94 (NEOZZ)
Nona Morelli's II Inc. (NONA)
Palmer Tube Mills Ltd. - ADR (PTMLY)
Staar Surgical Co. (STAA)

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#90299c0017 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 10, 1990, Dartmouth Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: DBCI) announced it had retained Kidder Peabody & Co. Inc. as its financial advisor.

-30- 358
#90299c0018 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 24, 1990, CFS Financial (TICKER: CFSC) announced it lost $2.5 million, or $9.84 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $822,000, or $0.27 per share, for the same period in 1989.

The company reports the loss in the current quarter was due to a decision to build its reserves for potential loan losses in "a deteriorating economic environment."

The company's total allowance for loan losses amounted to $8.5 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

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#90299c0019 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 19, 1990, WLR Foods Inc.(TICKER: WLRF) sold the Animal Health division of Animal Health & Specialties Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary.

The division was sold to Mac-Page Inc., a North Carolina corporation, for approximately $2.65 million.

In connection with the sale, Animal Health & Specialties Inc. will be renamed Agri-Services of Harrisonburg Inc. and will continue to operate the subsidiary's remaining business.

-30- 654

#90299c0020 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows National Security Group Inc.(TICKER: NSEC) announced on Oct. 8, 1990 a jury of the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Alabama returned a verdict against its wholly-owned subsidiary, National Security Insurance Co., in the amount of $2 million.

National Security Group reports the litigation arose out of the termination by National Security Insurance Co. of an executive employee.

National Security Insurance stated it intends to appeal the verdict promptly to the Alabama Supreme Court if certain pending post trial motions, including judgment notwithstanding the verdict, are adversely ruled upon.

-30- 843

#90299c0021 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 18, 1990, Telxon Corp.(TICKER: TLXN) appointed Coopers & Lybrand as its independent accountants, replacing Price Waterhouse.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 838

#90299c0022 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:08 that trade in Tredegar Industries Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol TG.

-30- 326

#90299c0023 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Tredegar Industries Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol TG. Trading was resumed at 13:23.

-30- 360

#90299c0025 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Dallas Oil & Minerals Inc.(TICKER: DOIL) earned $31,097, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $462,024 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $38,714, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $397,140 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 505

#90299c0026 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 24, 1990, Todd Shipyards Corp.(TICKER: TOD) announced that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) rejected the company's offer to perform a remedial investigation at its subsidiary, Todd Pacific Shipyards Corp. located in Seattle, Washington.

Todd Pacific was identified by the EPA as part of the Harbor Island Superfund Site.

Last spring, the EPA initiated a remedial investigation/ feasibility study for control of the release or threatened release of hazardous substances at portions of the site.

The company reports the EPA has elected to continue its own investigation and intends to conduct it approximately between January and May of 1991.

The EPA has previously informed the company that it has information that Todd is a potentially responsible party for the site and has notified Todd of its potential liability with respect to the shipyard.

Investigations of the site indicate elevated levels of contaminants in soils, groundwater, and marine sediments which, the EPA said, pose a significant risk to human health and the environment.

-30- 1318

#90299c0027 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Juniata Valley Financial Corp., on Aug. 21, 1990, adopted a shareholder rights plan and declared a dividend distribution of one right to purchase a share of the company's common stock for each share issued and outstanding.

The rights were issued on Sept. 1, 1990, to holders of the company's common stock as of Aug. 21, 1990.

The company's executive offices are located at Bridge and Main Streets, P.O. Box 66, Mifflintown, PA 17059, and its telephone number is (717) 436-8211.

-30- 735

#90299c0028 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 19, 1990, the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC) was appointed receiver for Heritage Financial Corp.'s (TICKER: HFHC) wholly-owned savings and loan subsidiary, Heritage Savings Bank F.S.B., by the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS).

A new federal mutual association was created to assume all deposits and certain assets and liabilities of Heritage Savings.

The OTS has appointed the RTC conservator of this new institution, Heritage Federal Savings Bank.

-30- 685

#90299c0029 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Trudy Corp., on Oct. 10, 1990, entered an asset purchase agreement with Good Stuff Corp. providing for the sale of its sports licensed inventory and accessories.

The agreement also provides for the assignment of related sports licenses held by Trudy with the National Hockey League Services Inc., National Basketball Association Properties Inc., National Football League Properties Inc., Major League Baseball Properties Inc. and the Collegiate Concepts Inc. /International Collegiate Enterprises Inc.

The purchase agreement provides for the payment to Trudy of approximately $260,000 in cash, certain royalty payments based on sales made by the company through Dec. 31, 1990, and the assumption by Good Stuff Corp. of certain liabilities.

Trudy Corp. states that due to continuing losses, it believes it will either be unable to continue as a going concern or that its size of operations will be significantly reduced.

The company's executive offices are located at 165 Water Street, Norwalk, CT 06856, and its telephone number is (203) 838-6009.

-30- 1310

#90299c0030 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 13, 1990, Philip E. Jakeway Jr., chairman of the board and president of Wilfred American Educational Services,(TICKER: WAE) began a leave of absence from operational duties until Dec. 31, 1990, to concentrate on litigation matters.

On Oct. 10, 1990, the board elected Neal G. Winnig as a director, increasing its size from six to seven.

In other news, on Oct. 15, 1990, after a non-jury trial before the court, Wilfred American and Wilfred Academy Inc., a Massachusetts subsidiary which is no longer in operation, were convicted of nine counts of mail fraud, involving events occurring before March, 1986.

The court previously had dismissed all charges against the company's subsidiary, Massachusetts American Business Institute Inc.

The court also dismissed three of the twelve counts against Wilfred American and Wilfred Academy Inc.

As a result of the conviction, Wilfred American may be subject to a fine, the amount of which will be determined by the court on sentencing, scheduled for Dec. 17, 1990.

Additionally, the U.S. Dept. of Education could seek to institute proceedings to suspend, limit or terminate the company and/or its schools, from participation in governmental financial aid programs.

The company's address is 1657 Broadway, New York, NY 10019, and its telephone number is (212) 582-6690.

-30- 1598

#90299c0031 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows POP Radio Corp.(TICKER: POPX) announced Oct. 24, 1990, that it has been served with a notice of appeal from a final order and judgement which had approved a settlement in two actions consolidated under the title The Kaufman Fund Inc. et al. v. Heritage Media Corporation (TICKER: HTG) et al.

The judgement, entered Oct. 16, 1990, had approved a class action settlement, pursuant to which all shareholders of POP common stock on Feb. 23, 1990 or their successors in interest and transferees will receive $20.50 per share in cash, plus an amount equal to interest at the rate of 10% per annum from Aug. 1, 1990.

This is pursuant to a previously disclosed merger agreement between POP and Heritage Media Corp.

Additionally, all persons who held shares of POP Radio common stock on Nov. 1, 1989, and who sold these shares at any time up to Feb. 23, 1990, would receive $0.25 per share, subject to certain limitations.

The company reports the notice of appeal was filed on behalf of Bruce T. Dugan an alleged former holder of 1,250 shares of POP Radio common stock, who was entitled to a payment of $0.25 per share under the class action settlement approved by the court.

-30- 1404

#90299c0033 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Great Southern Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: GSBC) on Oct. 4, 1990, announced the declaration of its third consecutive quarterly dividend, and that approval had been granted by the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) for a second stock repurchase program.

This pay-out, the company reports, marks the first time shareholders will have the opportunity to reinvest their dividends via Great Southern's Dividend Reinvestment Plan, instituted in August.

To date, 25% of Great Southern shareholders have elected to participate in the program.

The dividend of $0.09 per share for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 (Sept.)

will be payable as of Oct. 23, 1990, to shareholders of record on Oct. 15, 1990.

It represents an annualized yield of 4% based on the initial offering price of Great Southern's stock.

-30- 1043

#90299c0034 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Firstier Financial Inc.(TICKER: FRST) on Oct. 11, 1990, announced a decision to substantially increase its provision for loan losses following an in-depth review of its loan portfolio and other assets.

A decision was also made to reduce the carrying value of other assets owned and goodwill.

As a result, the corporation announced a net loss of $17.56 million for the third quarter and a net loss of $4.77 million for the first nine months, compared to net income of $5.26 million and $18.23 million in the same periods of 1989.

The net loss, on a per share basis, is $3.02 for the third quarter and $0.82 for the first nine months, compared to earnings of $1.05 and $3.14 for the same periods last year.

-30- 950

#90299c0035 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows American Toxxic Control Inc.(TICKER: ATCX) on Oct. 22, 1990, dismissed the firm of Ernst & Young as their principal accountants, and engaged KPMG Peat Marwick in that office.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 603

#90299c0036 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Bristol Holdings Inc.(TICKER: BRST).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,656,160	$3,550,458
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$292,937	$1,531,325
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.09	$0.42
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,405,198	3,619,619

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,414,955	$5,654,357
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$3,744,035	$3,574,056

-30- 1008

#90299c0037 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective July 27, 1990, Mr. Rene R. Galipeau resigned as a director of Belmoral Mines Ltd.(TICKER: BMEEF).

On Oct. 18, 1990, Mr. Charles L. McAlpine was appointed to the company's board of directors.

-30- 407

#90299c0038 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Science Accessories Corp.(TICKER: SEAS) appointed Coopers & Lybrand as its independent accountants effective Oct. 17, 1990, replacing KPMG Peat Marwick.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 893

#90299c0039 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 11, 1990, World-Wide Technology Inc.(TICKER: WOTK) completed the sale of its CYMA Division and LYNX Systems Inc., a subsidiary, to Brisco Investment Ltd.

In exchange, World-Wide had $3.9 million of debt retired, $1.1 million of other liabilities and the release of up to $1 million in future contractual obligations.

Upon the closing of the transaction above, John D. Freitag, president and chief operating officer of World-Wide, resigned as president and chief operating officer and as a director of World-Wide.

-30- 747

#90299c0041 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 18, 1990, Radiant Technology Corp.(TICKER: RTCC) appointed Helsley, Mulcahy & Fesler as its independent accountants, replacing Arthur Andersen & Co.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 873

#90299c0042 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - Permafab International Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1.75 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one Class A warrant, entitling the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $2.75.

The initial public offering price is $2.00 per unit.

Cantor Capital Corp. is underwriting the offering.

Permafab is engaged in the marketing, design, manufacture and construction of architectural membrane structures produced from advanced composite materials for specialty glazing applications.

The company's executive office is located at Level 1, 2550259 Pacific Highway, North Sydney, NSW 2060 Australia.

The company's agent for service is Herbert M. Jacobi, 3 West 35th Street, New York, NY 10001, telephone number (212) 268-5700.

-30- 1031
#90299c0043 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:29 that trade in Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc.(NASDAQ: PHBK) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 3/8. The company is located in Portland, ME.

-30- 378
#90299c0044 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Dime Savings Bank of New York has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol DME. Trading was resumed at 14:30.

-30- 369
#90299c0045 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Global Environmental Corp.(TICKER: GLEN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,475,353	$3,492,758
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$27,281	$25,956
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,326,874	2,274,633

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	Oct. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,583,125	$6,419,435
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,110,467	$1,850,641

-30- 1021
#90299c0046 10/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Continental Connector Industries Inc. (TICKER: CCTI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,123,358	$2,633,505
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$17,166	$(11,313)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	281,960,000	281,960,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,833,051	$7,072,390
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$3,033,378	$2,939,667

-30- 1069

#90299c0047 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 17, 1990, Insituform East Inc.(TICKER: INEI) announced the U.S. attorney's office in Baltimore, Maryland reported a grand jury in Baltimore indicted one former and one current officer of the company.

The indictments were in connection wiht events that occurred in 1986.

The grand jury's indictment alleges that Mr. Thomas C. Trexler, the company's former chief financial officer, and Mr. Arthur G. Lang, III, the company's president, conspired to trade the company's stock on the basis of material, non-public information between April and July 1986 and caused certain of the company's records to be falsified during such period.

The company understands that Insituform East itself is not a target of the grand jury investigation.

Insituform East reports that Mr. Lang has advised the company he will take administrative leave.

Insituform East does not believe that this development should have any material effect on its operations.

-30- 1207

#90299c0049 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by L.A. Entertainment Inc.(TICKER: LAET).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$650,116	$456,019
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$21,261	$(161,543)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	32,900,000	32,900,000

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,858,855	$1,856,302
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,267,374	$1,203,169

-30- 1019
#90299c0050 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by the Aril Group Inc.(TICKER: ARIL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(146,182)	$(269,432)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(146,182)	$(269,432)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,401,229	11,704,840

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,269,412	$431,844
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,055,661	$(95,953)

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#90299c0051 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by EuroAmerican Group Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS:

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$548,363	$232,190
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(8,894)	$(197,321)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,340,000	6,340,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,275,220	$1,327,219
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$798,195	$829,871

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#90299c0052 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Independent Bank Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS:

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(13,827,000)	$1,584,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(2.67)	$0.31
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,196,046	5,130,244

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$979,467,000	$1,051,138,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$44,444,000	$60,715,000

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#90299c0053 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Aurora Environmental Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS:

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,228,593	$2,818,864
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	$(25,489)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$161,102	$57,335
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,391,800	$6,150,900
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$3,252,883	$2,760,065

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#90299c0054 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by ATC Environmental Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS:

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,228,583	$2,818,864
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$266,595	$148,571
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,139,000	4,781,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,237,421	$325,500
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$4,605,066	$3,666,267

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#90299c0055 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Clark Melvin Securities Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS:

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$213,471	$118,935
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(256,362)	$(76,666)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,153,044	$2,134,121
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$551,234	$571,750

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#90299c0057 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by TrustCo Bank Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS:

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,621,000	$2,302,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.79	$0.70
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,315,000	3,298,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$877,154,000	$818,882
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$58,468,000	$53,436,000

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#90299c0058 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - Graphic Scanning Corp. filed a Form 8-K with the SEC stating it believes that a story released by the Bloomberg wire service on Oct. 17, 1990 is "inaccurate in several respects."

Graphic Scanning claims the release is "purportedly" based on an interview with its president, Robert J. Cymbala.

The company states it does not expect "to announce asset sales that would cut total debt by a third and fund 1991 working capital requirements," as stated in the release, nor does it expect to announce any sales of assets "by the end of 1990."

The story also stated Graphic Scanning is involved in negotiations with New York investor Mario Gabelli, which the company denies.

Graphic Scanning also added a section of the article in which Cymbala said asset sales would pay for $19 million in capital expenditures needed in fiscal 1991 to expand the company's cellular telecommunications and radio paging businesses and that proceeds from such sales would be used to pay off about $33 million in debt from U.K and U.S. operations are incorrect.

As previously reported, Graphic Scanning notes its recurring operating losses, a working capital deficiency, and defaults under the agreements governing its bank loans raise substantial doubt about its ability to continue as a going concern in the long term absent a substantial improvement in its cash flow, a major infusion of capital, or a sale of one or more of its major assets.

A spokesman for Bloomberg L.P. said it stands by the story as accurate.

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#90299c0059 10/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Oct. 25, 1990, Comtex Scientific Corp. was delisted from the NASDAQ system because it failed to meet the National Association of Securities Dealers minimum capital and surplus requirements.

A company must maintain a minimum of $375,000 of capital and surplus to continue to be listed on NASDAQ.

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#90299d0840 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) - Japan's industrial production in September fell a seasonally adjusted 0.9 percent from the preceding month, the International Trade and Industry said on Friday.

The mining and industrial production index stood at 126.2 against the base figure of 100 for 1985.

Shipments in September declined a seasonally adjusted 1.2 percent, while inventories grew 0.2 percent from August, it said.

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#90299d0870 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) - Trade talks between Japan and the European Economic Community broke down here Friday due to Japan's refusal to open its market to imports of European food products and clothing, an EEC source said.

"We're frustrated. Nothing has been resolved," the source said, adding that Japanese officials postponed the bilateral talks until an end-of-year meeting of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

The EEC is seeking reduced duties on imports of agricultural products and leather goods such as shoes. The community also wants a bigger fish quota.

"There was no deep discussion," said an official at Japan's Ministry of

International Trade and Industry.

The talks were led by European Commision Director General for External Affairs Horst Gunter Krenzler and Japanese Vice Foreign Minister Koji Watanabe.

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#90299d0880 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (OCT. 26) - Security forces beefed up road blocks and intensified checks on vehicles in the Afghan capital Kabul after suspected mujahedeen guerrillas exploded a powerful car bomb here, officials said Friday.

The explosive device planted inside a Volkswagen Beetle car went off in a busy commercial area near President Najibullah's palace complex and the international communications centre Thursday.

A government spokesman said at least six people were seriously wounded in the blast.

Officials said they suspected mujahedeen guerrillas were responsible for the blast, which rocked the capital hours after the spokesman announced that a major mujahedeen onslaught on Kabul had been stalled.

More than usual armoured vehicles were seen outside government buildings and key intersections here while soldiers armed with automatic weapons searched cars for explosives.

Security forces were placed on maximum alert and the main entry points to the city were reinforced with more soldiers, officials and witnesses said.

The officials said the bomb was probably triggered by a timer and aimed at shoppers and office workers returning home.

Windows were shattered in two four-storey buildings near the blast site, while two other cars were wrecked in the explosion heard several kilometres (miles) away.

It was the worst bomb attack in the capital since the January 31 car bomb blast in which at least five people died and more than 100 were wounded. Nineteen people were killed in a similar attack on July 15, 1989.

Diplomats here said they expected more incidents of sabotage in Kabul because the guerrillas had failed in their attempt to launch a full-scale frontal assault on the city.

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#90299d0890 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 26) - Monday's decision by the European Economic Community to lift its sanctions against China "will allow us to reopen talks on things which were blocked," French Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy said here on Thursday.

Specialists said here that the EEC decision would make it possible for France to reach a new long-term government loan agreement, worth between 1.5 and two billion francs (300 million and 400 million dollars), within the next few months.

French public loans to China were frozen in June last year, after the bloody repression of pro-democracy protesters in Beijing's Tiananmen Square.

Analysts here estimate that the sanctions resulting from the Tiananmen Square events have resulted in a drop of around 25 percent in France's exports to China.

Over the first eight months of this year, France sold goods and services worth five billion francs (one billion dollars) and imported goods and services worth 7.8 billion francs (1.56 billion dollars).

For the whole of 1989, exports stood at 9.9 billion francs - up from five billion francs (one billion dollars) in 1988.

The value of French imports from China was 11 billion francs (2.2 billion dollars) for 1989.

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#90299d1030 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) - Japan's biggest food processor Ajinomoto Co. Inc. said Friday its net profit rose 0.6 percent from a year earlier to 8.3 billion yen (60 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Sales grew 3.4 percent to 237 billion yen (1.7 billion dollars) with higher turnover in all sectors, it said. Sales of foodstuffs alone amounted to 108 billion yen (783 million dollars) while sales of monosodium glutamate and other seasonings came to 48 billion yen (348 million dollars).

Ajinomoto forecast a net profit of 16.5 billion yen (120 million dollars) for the year to March on sales of 515 billion yen (3.7 billion dollars).

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#90299d1040 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) - Yamanouchi Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd. said the company was negotiating with Royal Gist-Brocabes N.V., a major Dutch chemical and food company, on a possible joint venture.

Yamanouchi officials said the leading Japanese pharmaceutical company planned the venture with the Dutch firm in a bid to expand its sales networks in Europe.

They said that the planned tie-up might include Yamanouchi's possible acquisition of Royal Gist-Brocabes' pharmaceutical division.

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#90299d1050 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) - Japanese consumer electronics manufacturer Sharp Corp. said Friday its net profit rose 32.1 percent from a year earlier to 24.2 billion yen (175 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Sales grew nine percent to 565 billion yen (4.1 billion dollars) in the same period, the company said.

Sharp's sales of information equipment and electronic parts jumped 11.6 per cent to 264 billion yen (1.9 billion dolars) while sales of electronic equipment fell one percent to 146 billion yen (1.1 billion dollars).

Consumer product sales grew 8.6 percent to 99 billion yen (717 million dollars) and sales of audio equipment climbed 28.3 percent to 57 billion yen (413 million dollars), the company said in a statement. Exports rose 3.8 per cent to 259 billion yen (1.9 billion dollars).

Sharp forecast its net profit to reach 44 billion yen (319 million dollars) in the year to March with sales of 1,140 billion yen (8.3 billion dollars).

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#90299d1080 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 26) - British Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major has acknowledged for the first time that the British economy might have entered a recession.

He told the House of Commons on Thursday that "I can certainly confirm that output is slowing and has been slowing over the period of the last two or three months, as I have repeatedly said.

"As to whether it is within the normal definition of recession,...that is a matter we shall soon see".

Observers said that this formulation of words was intended to prepare the way for forecasts which the chancellor will make when he publishes next month his autumn statement of objectives for the coming year.

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#90299d1160 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) - Japan's NEC Corp., the world's biggest semiconductor manufacturer, said Friday its net profit jumped 30 percent from a year earlier to 38.6 billion yen (280 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Sales climbed 9.8 percent to 1.38 trillion yen (10 billion dollars) in the same period despite a decline in exports and lower sales of electronic devices, home electronics and other items, the company said.

Computer sales advanced 10.9 percent to 616 billion yen (4.5 billion dollars) while sales of communications equipment leapt 20.1 percent to 445 billion yen (3.2 billion dollars), the company said.

But sales of electronic devices, including semiconductors, declined 2.2 per cent to 278 billion yen (two billion dollars) while sales of home electronics and other items dropped 13.2 percent to 39 billion yen (283 million dollars). Exports also fell, by 3.1 percent to 304 billion yen (2.2 billion dollars).

NEC forecast its net profit in the year to March to climb 10.8 percent to 83 billion yen (601 million dollars) with sales expanding 6.8 percent to 2.95 trillion yen (21.4 billion dollars).

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#90299d1170 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO, Oct 26 (AFP) - Japan's biggest computer manufacturer Fujitsu Ltd. said Friday its net profit grew 3.2 percent from a year earlier to 29.4 billion yen (213 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Sales climbed 10.8 percent to 1.07 trillion yen (7.8 billion dollars) despite lower sales of electronic devices and declining exports.

Fujitsu's sales of data-processing equipment climbed 13.3 percent to 745 billion yen (5.4 billion dollars) while sales of communications equipment jumped 19.2 percent to 192 billion yen (1.4 billion dollars).

But sales of electronic devices such as semiconductors fell 9.6 percent to 134 billion yen (971 million dollars), it said. Exports, accounting for 20 per cent of all sales, fell 1.5 percent to 211 billion yen (1.5 billion dollars).

The company forecast net profit in the year to March to climb 19.4 percent to 79 billion yen (573 million dollars) with sales increasing by 10.6 percent to 2.35 trillion (17 billion dollars).

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#90299d1190 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) - Japan has proposed to North Korea to hold preparatory talks in Beijing in early November for establishing diplomatic ties, the Japanese press reported Friday quoting governent sources.

The Japanese Foreign Ministry will be sending a delegation led by a high-ranking ministry officials to the proposed preliminary talks, the reports said.

But Foreign Ministry officials, asked to confirm the reports, said nothing has been decided yet on the preparatory talks.

According to the reports, Japan hopes to hold full-fledged talks with Pyongyang after a regular meeting of Japanese and South Korean cabinet ministers slated for November 26-27 in Seoul.

The move follows an agreement reached in September between Japanese and North Korean political parties, urging their respective governents to open inter-governmental talks toward normalizing diplomatic ties "within November 1990," the reports said.

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#90299d1270 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Accra (OCT. 26) - The first major consignment of food for several months has arrived in the beleagured Liberian capital, Monrovia, according to reports reaching here Friday.

A ship carrying about 1,800 tons of rice, cooking oil and other rations arrived at the port of Monrovia from the neighbouring Ivory Coast.

Hundreds of thousands of people in Liberia are starving, following 10 months of civil war that has destroyed the West African country's agriculture, economy and infrastructure.

It was the first ship to dock since the five-nation West African peacekeeping force in Liberia declared the port safe.

The force, now said to number some 9,000 troops, said it had blunted the ability of the main rebel group, the National Patriotic Front of Liberia, to shell the port.

The peacekeepers said Liberian airports were also safe, but sources added that the runways had been badly damaged in the fighting and needed to be repaired.

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#90299d1510 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (OCT. 26) - Zimbabwe has welcomed the lifting of an 18-month ban on beef exports to the European Economic Community worth more than 100 million U.S. dollars a year, the Herald newspaper reported Friday.

The EEC banned the import of Zimbabwean beef in May last year after an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease, and lifted it this week after inspectors from Brussels gave the country's cattle a clean bill of health.

Zimbabwe's quota for exports to the EEC has also been increased by 1,000 tonnes to 9,100 tonnes a year, according to Agriculture Minister Witness Mangwende.

He said the resumption of trade with the EEC should push earnings from beef exports from around 13.5 million dollars this year to some 125 million dollars next year.

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#90299d1530 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Dar es Salaam (OCT. 26) - Tanzanians go to the polls Sunday in general elections which are expected to give President Ali Hassan Mwinyi a mandate to implement political reforms aimed at rooting out corruption.

Mwinyi, unopposed in his race for a second five-year term, is prohibited under Tanzanian law from seeking a third term.

Freed from campaign pressures, he is likely to institute sweeping changes which a politician facing re-election might shy away from, analysts here say. He has hitherto pursued a cautious reform course.

Also up for election are 166 of the National Assembly's total 241 seats. The remaining seats are to be filled by regional appointees.

Voters have a choice of two candidates for each post, but all candidates are hand-picked nominees of the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania (Ccm).

Sunday's ballotting may mark the last time that Tanzania has a one-party election. Former President Julius Nyerere opened national debate in February on possible legalization of other parties.

Mwinyi succeeded Nyerere as president November 5, 1985, and as Ccm chairman this past August.

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#90299d1640 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Eschborn (OCT. 26) - Germany imported 5.3 million tons of oil in September, down 7.5 percent from the same month last year, but the average price was 38.4 percent higher, the Federal Office of Industry said here Friday.

The office said that despite the lower import volume, the oil bill for September came to 1.9 billion marks (1.25 billion dollars), 406 million marks, or 27 percent, higher than the September 1989 import cost. The per-tonne average price was 38.4 percent higher.

For the first nine months, Germany's oil imports reached 53.7 million tons, up 11.4 percent on the corresponding 1989 period.

The average oil import price for the nine-month period was 3.7 percent lower so that the import bill, of 13.2 billion marks, was only some 7.3 per- cent higher than what Germany paid for its oil in the first three quarters of 1989, the office said.

Britain, with deliveries of 11.4 million tons, was Germany's biggest supplier of oil in the first nine months of 1990, followed by Libya (8.76 million), the Soviet Union (4.57 million), Saudi Arabia (4.56 million) and Nigeria (4.27 million tonnes), the report said.

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#90299d1660 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (OCT. 26) - Soviet presidential envoy Evgeni Primakov held talks here Friday with Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid on the Gulf crisis, Egyptian officials said.

Mr. Primakov arrived in Cairo from the Syrian capital, where he delivered a message to President Hafez al-Assad from his Soviet counterpart Mikhail Gorbachev.

The Soviet envoy, who was also here earlier in the week, was due to meet President Hosni Mubarak later Friday after the Egyptian leader's four-day tour of the Gulf.

Mr. Primakov will travel on to Saudi Arabia and Iraq as part of Soviet diplomatic efforts to find a solution to the Gulf crisis.

Reliable Soviet sources in Baghdad said the envoy was expected in the Iraqi capital on Sunday for his second visit in less than a month.

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#90299d1740 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Manila (OCT. 26) - The Government is studying a proposal to amnesty all military rebels in a move to stgrengthen national unity, President Corazon Aquino said Friday.

The opposition, led by Vice President Salvador Laurel and Senator Juan Ponce Enrile, made the suggestion in an unprecedented meeting with Mrs. Aquino and her close advisers Thursday.

But the president immediately doused hopes the meeting would lead to a peace pact with her two most ardent critics - both former members of her cabinet - she had previously linked with past coup attempts.

''It (the meeting) does not aim at reconciliation of political differences but at participation of leaders of different political persuasions in a task that transcends political differences,'' Mrs. Aquino stressed.

In another move, the president directed officials to file charges against those found responsible for the violence that marred Wednesday's general strike by militant workers.

The strike dissipated on its third day Friday after leaders agreed to compromise with the government on their demands for higher wages.

But before the workers could lift their pickets, a policeman and two suspected communist rebels were killed in a shootout inside a bus in Pila town, Laguna province.

Military authorities said guerrillas torched 24 buses since Sunday in various parts of the country.

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#90299d1770 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MIAMI, Florida (OCT. 26) - A Cuban intelligence official who defected to Germany last Sunday said four army officers executed in 1989 on drug trafficking charges had plotted against Cuban President Fidel Castro, a U.S. newspaper reported.

The defector, former Major Juan Manuel Rodriguez Camejo, was interviewed by the Spanish-language daily El Nuevo Herald. He said he was holed up in a secret hiding place in Germany.

Mr. Rodriguez said the plot was led by Major General Arnaldo Ochoa as well as several other senior military leaders and civilian interior ministers.

Maj. Gen. Ochoa and three others were executed in Havana in July 1989 after

state television had broadcast their trial, in which they were found guilty of drug trafficking.

"Inside (the Cuban armed forces), several senior officers were involved in the plot and Ochoa has carried the secret (of their identity) into the grave," Mr. Rodriguez said.

Since then all the top military intelligence officials have been replaced, he said.

"The situation inside the armed forces is very tense but we are watched round-the-clock, especially since the trial," he said.

Mr. Rodriguez said he decided to leave his country because it had been deceived by the economic policies of Mr. Castro, who had refused to adapt to the global changes that evolved in the 1980s.

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#90299d2010 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TBILISI, SOVIET UNION (OCT. 26) - Communists in this southern Soviet republic were expected to have the edge in general elections Sunday because of the high number of competing independentist groups and voters' inexperience with political diversity.

Thirteen parties and groupings have filed candidates for the 250-seat regional parliament, including the nationalist Popular Front headed by Nodar Natadze, Akaki Bakhadze's liberal Rustaveli Society, the Freedom Bloc headed by Irakli Shengelaia and the Round Table-Georgia, a seven-party grouping headed by independentist leader Zviad Gamsakhurdia.

Authorities have barred a Stalin Society, which scored four per cent in pre-ballot polls. But the Society's leaders issued a protest saying the ban was imposed "on a fallacious pretext".

Stalin, the late Soviet dictator, was born in Georgia.

Elections were originally scheduled for last March but postponed after nationalist movements said they needed more time to organise within the Soviet Union's budding multi-party system.

Since March, nearly 140 parties and movements have been sprung up but they have done little to concentrate forces ahead of the election, prompting a communist government official to say that "everybody feels like becoming prime minister".

At least two independence movements, the National Independence Party headed by Irakli Tsereteli and Gia Shanturia's National Democratic Party, have said they

will not take part in what they calledc an election "masquerade" Sunday.

The two parties along with other independence movements founded a Georgian National Congress that organized separate elections earlier this month. Congress leaders claimed a 50 per cent turnout for the elections but analysts said the vote was barely representative since it was boycotted by the communists and most "opposition" parties in parliament.

The Georgian National Congress held its first meeting Friday in Tbilisi. Mr. Shanturia earlier told AFP it would set guidelines for future action and organize local elections by the end of the year.

As the congress opening, Merab Alexidze, who will head the election committee, told delegates their priority was "the liberation of Georgia".

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#90299d2120 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUXEMBOURG (OCT. 26) - European Economic Community (EEC) farm and trade ministers were meeting here Friday in a last-ditch effort to hammer out an accord on farm subsidy cuts ahead of a weekend EEC summit in Rome.

There were indications Friday that they would arrive at a compromise in order to avoid heated confrontations, notably between Germany and Britain, at this weekend's summit of EEC heads of state and government at Rome.

A failure to reach an accord would also lead to accusations that EEC infighting was endangering a major General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) conference on free trade in December, informed sources said.

The EEC is the only major economic power within GATT which has yet to present its proposals for the GATT conference. It is already two weeks late.

Germany has emerged as the main opponent of a proposal from the European Commission, the executive arm of the EEC, that subsidies to farmers be cut by 30 percent by 1996, from 1986 levels.

While the proposed cuts are considered too radical by farmers of some EEC countries, the United States and other farm exporters outside the EEC are demanding much bigger cuts in farm subsidies.

Their opening offer at the GATT talks in December will revolve around a 75 percent cut over 10 years from 1991.

By contrast, the EEC offer, over the same period, would amount to a cut in subsidies of only about 15 percent, since its 30 percent figure is backdated to 1986 and some cuts have already been made.

A German source said Thursday that Germany might be ready to accept the commission's proposal at Friday's meeting.

He said Chancellor Helmut Kohl might be satisfied by a general commitment accompanying the proposal that ways would be found to compensate German farmers for their income loss resulting from the subsidy cuts.

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#90299d2160 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (OCT. 26) - France's charge d'affaires, Andre Janier, met here Friday with Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz, three days after Iraq agreed to release around 300 French nationals.

Their talks focused on the Gulf crisis, Iraqi officials reported, without giving details.

The French Embassy also declined to comment on the meeting or on preparations for the departure of French nationals stranded in Iraq. No date has been set for their repatriation.

In Paris foreign ministry spokesman Daniel Bernard said that preparations were going ahead normally.

But he said it was "premature" to name a date for the return although France expected this to be by the end of the coming weekend.

Gathering the French nationals together and transferring them to Baghdad was continuing "without any particular problems," including the estimated 70 still in Kuwait, he said.

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#90299d2190 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 26) - Indian police tear-gassed and caned students outside Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh's official residence here Friday as a protest against caste-based job quotas turned violent, witnesses said.

At least 25 university students were injured in the police action and 15 were taken to hospital for treatment, a student spokesmen said.

Some 400 students wearing black headbands and shouting abusive slogans against the prime minister and his controversial job quota scheme were involved in the protest outside his residence on Race Course Road in central New Delhi.

They tried to break police lines in an attempt to storm the heavily-guarded bungalow, prompting police to fire teargas shells and baton-charge the crowd.

The students, many of them girls, retaliated by throwing rocks at the police and passing vehicles as they fled from the scene, chased by baton-swinging police for almost two kilometres (1.2 miles), the witnesses said.

Student organisers said they planned to hold a "human chain" demonstration outside parliament on November 7 -- the day Mr. V.P. Singh's legislative majority will be tested amid a political crisis.

Friday's demonstration was the latest in a series of street protests against the prime minister's August 7 announcement blocking 49.5 per cent of all government and public sector jobs for backward castes.

A wave of protest suicides leaving 53 people dead has greeted the scheme, which students charge would wipe out merit as a criterion for employment in a shrinking job market. More than 50 others have attempted suicide and survived.

Meanwhile, attorney Nani Palkhivala told the Supreme Court here Friday that the report which formed the basis for the job quota announcement was "unacceptable."

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#90299d2210 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (OCT. 26) - The PLO's regional representative here hit back Friday after New Zealand Prime Minister Mike Moore accused him of lying about attempts to free New Zealand hostages in the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Moore was reacting to reports in Thursday's Auckland Star newspaper which quoted the Palestine Liberation Organisation as saying he had rejected an offer to arrange the release of 17 hostages.

"This is the first I have heard of it. I can tell you it is just not true. It is a cruel and tragic falsehood," Mr. Moore said.

The PLO's Canberra-based representative to Australia and the Pacific, Ali Kazak, insisted he told Mr. Moore last month that Iraq was willing to release the hostages if New Zealand agreed to send a delegation to Baghdad.

Speaking by telephone on Friday, Mr. Kazak said Mr. Moore had rejected the idea when they met in Wellington.

"The main reason he didn't want to send a delegation was he thought that New Zealand would be criticised for breaking Western solidarity," Mr. Kazak said.

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TOKYO (OCT. 26) - Sansui Electric Co. said Friday the company would maintain

its policy of expansion despite the reported troubles involving its parent company, the British-based conglomerate Polly Peck International.

Sansui spokesman Masato Teraoka said Sansui welcomed reports Thursday from London that administrators were appointed to take over running the running of PPI at the request of its board.

The move reflected the Polly Peck management's efforts to survive, Mr. Teraoka said.

Mr. Teraoka quoted Sansui President Tatsuya Inamiya as saying that PPI's troubles woud "not lead directly to problems for Sansui."

"Sansui do not necessarily depend on PPI in financing and business operations, and will continue to pursue its policy of promoting sales with its own efforts " he said.

On the Tokyo Stock Exchange, stock prices of Sansui which were unquoted Thursday due to massive selling, recovered 35 yen to end Friday's session at 510 yen.

Mr. Teraoka said Friday's recovery in Sansui stock prices despite the slumping stock market apparently reflected Japanese investors' confidence and support for Sansui's management.

But he said Sansui would keep a close watch on further developments in London.

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MANAMA (OCT. 26) - The current crisis in the Gulf region has increased the wave of Arab emigration to Canada and the United States, according to a manpower specialist.

Syed Ghazi, president of the Chicago-based Sun Enterprises, was quoted Friday by the Gulf Daily News, published in Manama, as saying that more than 4,000 people from the Gulf had applied in response to an advertisement by his firm last month for assistance to migrate to Canada and the United States.

''The number was around 2,000 when a similar advertisement was placed six months ago,'' he said. However, Ghazi, who is on a three-day visit to Bahrain, warned prospective migrants against rushing into investment projects offered in Canada.

He pointed out that many projects in Canada, which prompted people to invest for migration facilities, were not attractive.

''According to Canadian government officials, some investors have lost up to

75,000 (U.S.) dollars,'' Ghazi said.

He added that people from the Gulf were ideally suited to migrate to Canada or the United States ''because of their better experience, training and access to modern technology.''

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TOKYO (OCT. 26) - Japanese paper manufacturers Oji Paper Co. Ltd. and Jujo Paper Co. Ltd. announced Friday sharply reduced earnings accompanied by modest increases in sales in the six months to September.

Oji, the country's biggest paper concern, said its net profit plunged 20.4 percent from a year earlier to 9.9 billion yen (72 million dollars). Sales rose 2.7 percent to 238 billion yen (1.7 billion dollars).

The modest sales increase reflected a slight rise in sales of general paper, including newsprint and printing paper, offset by lower sales of wrapping paper, tissue paper and other items, the company said.

The company, an affiliate of the Mistui group with operations in Brazil, New Zealand and Canada, said the profit decline reflected heavy capital investment, higher interest rates and lower demand for certain products.

Jujo, the country's third biggest paper manufacturer with operations in the United States and Norway, said its net profit dived 48.8 percent to 3.6 billion yen (26 million dollars). Sales grew 2.9 percent to 201 billion dollars (1.5 billion dollars).

The company said its sharp profit decline mainly reflected lower prices for high quality and coated papers. Other factors included higher import costs and increased transportation and warehouse expenses.

Oji forecast its net profit in the year to March to fall 2.1 percent to 20.6 billion yen (149 million dollars) with sales rising 3.6 percent to 486 billion yen (3.5 billion dollars).

Jujo meanwhile predicted a 32.7 percent plunge in net profit to eight billion yen (58 million dollars) with sales climbing 4.2 percent to 410 billion yen (three billion dollars).

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SEOUL (OCT. 26) - Czechoslovakian Foreign Minister Jiri Dienstbier and his South Korean counterpart Choi Ho-Joong signed a trade and economic cooperation agreement and an aviation accord here Friday, officials said.

Under the economic agreement, the two countries will allow each other most favored nation status in trade and pay for imports in hard currency.

The aviation agreement calls on the two sides to allow civil airliners to fly to each other's country.

The two agreements will go into effect following ratification by legislative houses, they said.

Mr. Dienstbier later called on with President Roh Tae-Woo at Mr. Roh's official residence, the Blue House, and was awarded a diplomatic order.

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#90299d2380 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOGNE, GERMANY (OCT. 26) - The German Strabag construction company has obtained the release of four of its employees being held hostage in Iraq, a company spokesman said on Friday.

The men, aged between 33 and 56, had been recruited with 34 other German managers, who were still being held in Iraq, to build Basra airport.

The four freed men were due to arrive at Frankfurt airport later on Friday from Jordan.

Strabag president Herbert Werhahn had intervened personally with the Iraqi government to obtain their release.

The construction of the airport represented a contract worth 660 million Deutsche marks (440 million dollars), and was underwritten by the German state Hermes export insurance company.

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TOKYO (OCT. 26) - Japan will extend grant aid worth 38.35 billion yen (300 million dollars) to Sri Lanka to help the nation overcome economic damage caused by the Gulf crisis, a foreign ministry spokesman said Friday.

Taizo Watanabe told a news conference that the aid could be considered as part of Japan's efforts to help countries suffering from the crisis, even if they were not frontline countries.

"We are very much concerned about the adverse impact on the Sri Lankan economy of the worsening situation in the Middle East," the spokesman said.

An embargo on trade with Iraq has hit Sri Lanka with an increase in crude oil

prices, a decrease in workers' remittances from the Gulf region, the costs of transporting Sri Lankans home and a fallback in export earnings.

Japan on the same day announced it had signed an agreement with the Sri Lankan government on the aid.

Of the total, 11 billion yen (86 million dollars) will be used to improve telecommunications, while another 11 billion yen will help expand the port of Colombo.

About 3.3 billion yen (26 million dollars) will support a hydroelectric power project, and the remaining 13.1 billion yen (102 million dollars) will be extended jointly with the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund to restructure the Sri Lankan economy.

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#90299d2430 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (OCT. 26) - Turkey and Argentina have concluded a deal for the construction of small-scale nuclear reactors, Turkish daily Milliyet reported Friday.

The deal involves the construction of two 25-megawatt reactors, first in San Luiz, Argentina, starting in March 1991, and then in Akkuyu, southern Turkey, six months later, the paper said.

The agreement, signed by the atomic energy corporations of the two countries and Turkish Stfa and Argentine Invap firms, also includes the transfer of reactor-building technology to Turkey, it said.

Milliyet claimed the deal was not publicised to avoid pressures from the U.S. concerned with the prospects of Turkey possessing weapons-grade nuclear fuel in six years' time and cooperating with Pakistan to make atomic bombs.

Foreign Ministry sources confirmed the deal, but they said it was not secret as the paper claimed. They said the deal falls within the framework of an agreement signed by Turkey and Argentina three years ago.

Several years ago, West Germany's Kraftwerk Union (Kwu) and Canada's Aecl firms submitted bids to construct large nuclear power plants at the same site.

But years-long negotiations bogged down when Turkey insisted on financing the project on a ''build-operate-transfer'' scheme by which the supplier would run the power plant and recoup its investment from the electricity sold to consumers. Both Kwu and Aecl refused to accept the Bot scheme.

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#90299d2490 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABIDJAN (OCT. 26) - Japan has granted Niger 450 million yen (about 3.5 million dollars) to boost cereal production and rural development in the West African country, a Japanese embassy communique said here Friday.

The communique said the funds will be used to purchase grain supplies, insecticides, farming equipment and vehicles to transport the cereals.

The accord was signed Thursday in Niamey by Japanese Ambassador Masaki Yagi and Niger Foreign Minister Sani Bako.

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#90299d2680 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
COLOMBO (OCT. 26) - A senior advisor to Sri Lankan President Ranasinghe Premadasa expressed delight Friday at the readiness of donor nations to maintain development aid, totalling about one billion dollars next year.

Bradman Weerakoon, International Affairs advisor to Mr. Premadasa, said he was delighted to hear that Western donor nations and Japan were prepared to maintain an unprecedented one billion dollars in aid to Sri Lanka.

"It has exceeded Sri Lanka's expectations," Mr. Weerakoon said, referring to the overall amount of development aid suggested by the 16 donor countries Thursday at the Sri Lanka Aid Group meeting in Paris chaired by the World Bank.

"It is a further indication of the donor's confidence in the correct policies being followed by the government of Sri Lanka," Mr. Weerakoon said, adding that Colombo had gone to Paris to seek about 870 million dollars.

The one billion dollar figure indicated for 1991 - but not formally pledged at this stage - was a substantial increase over the 784 million dollars aid pledged by the group at last year's meeting.

In backing the decision, the donor countries noted Colombo's efforts to maintain economic stability and pursue structual adjustment "in an exceptionally difficult environment."

The Aid Consortium also took into consideration the "significantly adverse" impact of the Gulf crisis on Sri Lanka's economy and at the "constraints" faced by Colombo due to the escalating violence in the island's northeast.

The donors also expressed concern about "reported human rights violations and also at the resurgence of hostilities initiated by the LTTE (Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam guerrillas)."

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#90299d2710 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 26) - German Chancellor Helmut Kohl hopes that the EEC summit in Rome this week end will launch a new initiative to maintain the strength of international moves against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, government spokesman Hans Klein said on Friday.

Mr. Kohl, during a meeting earlier on Friday with British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd, repeated that his aim was to obtain the release of all the foreign hostages held by Iraq.

In recent days the German government has repeated that it would not negotiate with "hostage takers".

U.S. authorities have said that Mr. Kohl refused to reply to a request from Baghdad that German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher visit Iraq to obtain the release of German hostages.

Mr. Kohl and Mr. Hurd also discussed proposals for economic and monetary union (EMU) within the European Economic Community (EEC), which will be one of the main subjects discussed in Rome.

Mr. Kohl repeated his proposal for the second stage of EMU to begin on January 1, 1994.

Mr. Hurd assured him that Britain, which is opposed to the setting of a timetable, would participate in a constructive way in talks about EMU, Mr. Klein said.

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#90299d2740 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT. 26) - Details of a new, more direct commercial air link between Brussels and Tokyo, which starts operating on Sunday, were presented by Japanese airline executives at a press conference here Friday.

The senior vice-president for All Nippon Airways (ANA), Taiji Kameyama, said the new flight, three times weekly, would cut six hours and 20 minutes off the Brussels-to-Tokyo route.

It will save an hour and 55 minutes from Tokyo to Brussels, because this direction includes a stop at Moscow.

Under a joint venture accord between ANA and the Belgian airline Sabena, the new link will be flown by a new 395-seat Boeing 747-300 operated by Sabena.

But some cabin staff will be seconded from ANA in Japan, and passengers will be able to choose between Japanese and Belgian cuisine.

Mr. Kameyama said ANA had opened an office in the Belgian capital. ANA has only recently expanded from a busy domestic network into the international market, with several flights to Europe and the United States.

The new flight will leave TokyoNarita airport on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. It leaves Brussels on Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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#90299d2760 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (OCT. 26) - Fed by bitterness and decades of deprivation, the neo-Nazi movement is taking hold in eastern Germany.

Night raids by roving bands of skinheads and weekly ritual clashes with police in Berlin have become expressions of what at first appeared a passing phenomenon but looks increasingly like a dangerous resurgence after years of communist rule.

New-found freedoms, combined with the collapse of state authority over the past year, have given birth to a German extremism in East Germany just as neo-Nazism seemed on the wane in West Germany.

Earlier this week, about 500 youths marched through the city of Dresden shouting racist slogans, arms raised in the Nazi salute.

The mayor of Dresden, Herbert Wagner, came under heavy fire for allowing the march to take place.

In the past few days, in the same eastern German region close to the Polish border, skinheads descended on a discotheque in Cottbus, attacking all foreigners.

And in Bautzen, groups of youths painted swastikas and antisemitic slogans on shop windows.

Jewish leaders reacted strongly. Heinz Galinski, president of the Jewish Central Council, condemned the Dresden rally, saying "the excesses that accompanied from the start the unification process have reached a limit."

There are few statistics on the rise of neo-Nazism and information about the groups remains hazy.

According to Konrad Weiss, a leftist film director who conducted one of the earliest studies of the phenomenon, there are at least 1,500 organized neo-Nazis in eastern Germany, most from the ages of 16 to 25.

The first publicized clashes involving neo-Nazi groups occured shortly after the opening of the Berlin Wall last November 9.

But an East German sociologist, Gunhild Korfes, said the problem of dissaffected and violence-prone youth appeared well before that date.

"Skinheads first appeared on the scene in the early 1980s," she told Agence France-Presse. "They were signs of the identity crisis and loss of faith in the future that had taken hold of our youth."

But any extreme-right incidents were hushed up by the previous communist regime, since the "worker and peasant state" was supposed to have eradicated all nazism.

In regional elections earlier this month, neo-Nazi parties mustered less than one per cent of the vote.

But as unemployment grows, Ms. Korfes said, east German voters may turn away from the Christian Democrats and towards the extreme-right. Because of East Germany's communist heritage, the left has been thoroughly discredited and cannot represent a credible alternative to the discontented, she said.

German authorities are keeping a close watch on the activities of neo-Nazi groups.

They fear in particular that skinheads may begin attacking Soviet soldiers.

Some groups have ransacked former East German army depots or have bought arms from Red Army soldiers on the black market, according to police here.

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#90299d2800 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (OCT. 26) - Taiwan would consider granting amnesty to two gangsters jailed for the 1984 murder of a controversial Chinese-American author in the United States, Presidential Office spokesman Cheyne Chiu said here Friday.

He said this had become possible now that litigation was over, a reference to a suit the author's widow filed against the Taiwan government in a U.S. court.

"Granting amnesty before the litigation was over would be interfering with the judicial process of a foreign country," he told reporters.

Vice Foreign Minister Chen Chien-jen confirmed Friday that Taiwan had reached an out-of-court settlement with the widow of Henry Liu, who was slain at his home in Daly City, California, on October 25, 1984 by Taiwan gangsters purportedly hired by the island's disgraced intelligence chief.

Mr. Chien refused to reveal the size of the settlement reached in August this year, but the mass-circulation United Evening News said Taiwan had agreed to

compensate the widow 1.5 million U.S. dollars.

The settlement was reached on humanitarian grounds and was not an indemnification, he said.

The writer's widow, Helen Liu, had approached lawyers for the Taiwan government and offered to settle the case out of court, he added.

Both sides had initially agreed not to publicize the matter, but news of the settlement was leaked, he said.

The widow filed a 300 million dollar lawsuit against the Taiwan authorities before U.S. courts in April 1985, alleging that they were behind her husband's murder.

Mr. Liu's killers -- Chen Chi-li, former leader of the notorious Bamboo Union gang, and his lieutenant, Wu tun -- were sentenced to life imprisonment by a civilian court here in 1985 for slaying the author.

The writer was an alleged triple agent for Taipei, Beijing and Washington and had written a critical biography of the late president Chiang Ching-kuo.

The gangsters implicated Vice Admiral Wong Hsi-ling, former director of the now-defunct Intelligence Bureau, who was subsequently sacked and sentenced by a military court to life imprisonment.

Two of the disgraced intelligence chief's aides were also convicted of involvement in the murder. Both men have been released and reinstated after serving 30-month prison terms.

The sentences of the two gangsters and the former intelligence chief were reduced to 15 years in a clemency in memory of Mr. Chiang in April 1988.

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#90299d2810 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI, PAKISTAN (OCT. 26) - Deposed prime minister Benazir Bhutto directed her Pakistan People's Party (PPP) candidates to participate fully in provincial assembly elections Saturday, party sources said.

After an unexpected heavy defeat Wednesday at the national polls, which she claimed were "massively rigged", " Ms. Bhutto told a news conference here Thursday that she was receiving calls from her party supporters urging her to boycott the provincial elections. But she said she firmly decided against such a course.

"We must take full part in Saturday's elections because our party's struggle for acheiving its political objectives and ideological goals must go on," she

told reporters on return from her home town Larkana.

Analysts said that after losing the national elections, Ms. Bhutto's main interest now lay in retaining the majority and forming the provincial government in her home province of Sindh, which has been the traditional political base of her party.

Interim Sindh chief minister Jam Sadiq Ali, who was formerly one of her political advisors and is now a bitter political opponent, predicted Thursday that the former ruling PPP would also lose in the provincial elections in Sindh.

He said that Ms. Bhutto's opponents in league with the Mohajir Qaumi Movement (MQM) of settlers from India, who dominate the urban centres of Sindh, would be able to win a majority and form the next provincial government here.

Mr. Ali firmly denied the allegation about rigging in the national polls and said it was the PPP men who actually tried to scare away the voters from several polling stations where their opponents were contesting.

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#90299d2820 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (OCT. 26) - New Zealanders will have made National Party leader Jim Bolger their third prime minister in 15 months when the results of Saturday's election are counted, opinion pollsters unanimously predicted.

But the real interest was whether Prime Minister Mike Moore, in the job for only eight weeks, has done enough to prevent a massacre of the Labour Party.

He can find no comfort in the horoscopes published in the Wellington newspaper The Dominion. Mr. Moore, an Aquarius (January 28, 1949), will be going "through a period of transition," the stars said Friday.

The message for Mr. Bolger, a Gemini (May 31, 1935): "Be philosophical.... Take a chance on a blind date."

More scientific public opinion polls and newspaper editorials say Mr. Bolger will win.

New Zealanders, described by one book as "Passionless People," have shown little emotion over the election. Meetings have been quiet, with little heckling and only occasional disturbances.

The Electoral Roll Centre reported a last minute rush by voters to register Friday. About 2.2 million people, or 91 per cent of the voting population, had enrolled by Friday morning. On the basis of the turnout over the last 10 general elections, 86 per cent of registered voters will vote.

At stake are 97 three-year seats in the single chamber Parliament. Labour goes into the election with 56 seats, National 40 and New Labour 1.

The Herald in a poll published Thursday said National would sweep back into power on a huge swing of 11.5 percent, reducing Labour to just 25 seats, the lowest number since 1931.

When Labour first came to power in 1935 they crushed the then United-Reform Coalition which eventually reemerged as the new National Party, a farmer-based conservative party.

Founded in 1916, Labour was the party of the unions, socialist to the core. Its first prime minister, Michael Joseph Savage, was for many the closest the country came to a political saint for pulling New Zealand out of the Great Depression.

Anxious to pick up a little of that political mana, Mr. Moore last week lay roses at the Savage tomb in Auckland.

In the last 55 years National has ruled New Zealand for 29 years and Labour for 26.

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#90299d2870 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) - Japan is preparing to roll out the red carpet for black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela when he arrives Saturday for a five-day visit in line with the welcome he has received in Western countries.

Mr. Mandela will be the guest of the Japanese government and was to meet Monday with Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama and the minister of international trade and industry, Kabun Muto.

On Tuesday, Mr. Mandela will address the Diet, an unprecedented event in a country that usually invites only heads of state and government to address the parliament.

In the case of Mr. Mandela, who was invited to Japan after his release from prison in February, the authorities apparently wanted to make a special gesture.

The move would be in line with a policy in recent months of holding dialogue with both the African National Congress (ANC) and South African authorities.

Japan is the only major Western country not to have diplomatic relations with Pretoria and its official reason for inviting Mr. Mandela here is "to encourage efforts for a peaceful solution to the apartheid problem," a

Japanese official said.

However, Tokyo also wants to ease its policy towards Pretoria in recognition of the South African authorities' efforts at political reform.

But Tokyo will not yet lift restrictions on tourism, direct investment and cultural exchange which it imposed to protest Pretoria's policy of apartheid.

It is expected to reiterate that position to Mr. Mandela, a foreign ministry official said.

The official added that Tokyo was ready to help blacks improve their lot so they can play "a leading role" in South Africa's politics and economy after apartheid is abolished.

Mr. Mandela is expected to ask for Japanese financial help to improve education and to improve technological and economic development.

He is also expected to request humanitarian aid to facilitate the return of exiled ANC militants and the integration into South African society of freed political prisoners.

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#90299d2920 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, (OCT. 26) - Glaxo Holdings, Britain's leading pharmaceutical company, was given a licence Friday to sell its new Salmeterol asthma drug in Britain.

The company said it hopes to capture a share of the British market for asthma drugs, which analysts estimate is worth 200 million pounds (400 million dollars).

The world market is estimated to be worth 2.3 billion pounds.

Salmeterol has the advantage of requiring only two doses per day, fewer than rival products, Glaxo said. The drug operates by combatting the inflammation which leads to asthma symptoms.

News of the licence granted by Britain's Medical Control Agency boosted Glaxo shares initially, but they later fell back in a generally depressed market.

Salmeterol is the third new drug Glaxo have had licenced in Great Britain this year, following the hay fever drug Flixonase and cancer therapy drug Zofran.

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#90299d2970 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) - Consumer electronics giant Victor Co. of Japan Ltd. (JVC)

said Friday its net profit rose 13 percent from a year earlier to 7.8 billion yen (57 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, Japan's biggest manufacterer of video recorders, said sales climbed four percent to 314 billion yen (2.3 billion dollars) despite lower turnover for both video and audio equipment.

JVC said the 13 percent jump in earnings reflected "structural reform," including better sales of non-consumer products and software which helped to offset the sluggish performance in the audio-visual sector.

Sales of video equipment fell one percent to 148 billion yen (1.1 billion dollars) while sales of audio equipment dropped five percent to 61 billion yen (442 million dollars), the company said.

But television sales leapt 19 percent to 52 billion yen (377 million dollars) while sales of information equipment soared 32 percent to 35 billion yen (254 million dollars). Software sales also advanced by 11 percent to 18 billion yen (130 million dollars), the company said.

The company's exports rose 18 percent to 178 billion yen (1.3 billion dollars) accounting for 57 percent of its total sales.

JVC forecast a net profit of 15 billion yen (109 million dollars) on sales of 640 billion yen (4.6 billion dollars).

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#90299d2980 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) - Japan's Mitsubishi Motors Corp. said Friday that Chrysler Corp. of the United States would provide parts for new models to be produced by their joint U.S. venture, Diamond-Star Motors Corp.

The move is aimed at raising the local content ratio of cars made by Diamond-Star Motors from the current 60 per cent to about 75 per cent, a Mitsubishi official said.

Transmissions and engines produced by Chrysler will be employed in some models of the projected three- and four-door sports cars and four-door sedans.

This is the first time that Diamond-Star Motors, a 50-50 joint venture set up in 1985, has decided to use Chrysler parts in its vehicles.

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#90299d2990 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (OCT. 26) - New Zealand's biggest publishing chain, Independent Newspapers Ltd. (INL), expects turnover to top one billion New Zealand dollars

(600 million dollars U.S) this financial year, chairman Alan Burnet said here Friday.

The company is half-owned by Rupert Murdoch's News Ltd.

Speaking at the company annual meeting, Mr. Burnet said INL's recent acquisitions, which include Australian and New Zealand magazine distributor Gordon and Gotch and newspapers in Victoria and the United States, were ahead of budget on a combined basis.

"Directors are confident they will contribute profits adequately in line with the investment," he said.

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#90299d3030 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 26) - Over 200,000 Hindu pilgrims wanting to build a temple next to a mosque in central India had been arrested by Friday, as dissident pressure demanding the resignation of Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh mounted in the ruling party.

Meanwhile, Indian Army troops continued to patrol the curfew-bound streets of Jaipur and Jodhpur cities in the northwestern desert state of Rajasthan that had been enveloped in a Hindu-Moslem communal clash in which at least 68 people were killed according to unofficial reports. Officials put the toll at 48.

The security forces assumed charge on Wednesday when police could not control rampaging mobs that indulged in arson and looting.

Communal rioting erupted in some parts of India on Wednesday during a general strike called by the Hindu right-wing Bharatiya Janata Party to protest against the arrest of its president, Lal Krishna Advani, during a nationwide tour that has upset Indian Moslems.

R.S. Agnihotri of the Vishwa Hindu Parishad, which is spearheading the move to build a temple at Ayodhya in Uttar Pradesh state at the birthplace of Rama, a god-king whom Hindus regard as one of the incarnations of Lord Vishnu, the creator, said here that more than 200,000 kar sevaks (volunteers) had been arrested so far by the authorities while on their way to Ayodhya.

''Most of the jails in the area are overflowing with arrested volunteers. Now they are dumping them in hostels and warehouses and other temporary jails'', he said.

Over three million Hindus were originally scheduled to start constructing the temple through kar sewa (self-help) from October 30. State authorities acknowledged that over 51,000 volunteers had already been arrested in a bid to

thwart building of the temple and also to maintain law and order situation.

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#90299d3080 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HONG KONG (OCT. 26) - A factory building collapsed here Friday, killing five and injuring eight people, officials said.

Initial reports indicated that the canopy of the multi-story building, located in an industrial district of Kowloon, collapsed onto pedestrians in the street below, government spokeswoman Bonnie Yip said.

She said firefighters pulled five bodies and nine survivors from the debris. Eight were treated at a nearby hospital and two released.

Another spokeswoman, Winnie Lo, said that everyone in the building had been accounted for and that the Buildings and Lands Department was investigating the incident.

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#90299d3160 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT. 26) - The United States has hardened its tone towards Iraq in this 12th week of the Gulf crisis and reserved the right to boost its forces in Saudi Arabia, giving the impression that war is near.

President George Bush, reacting to a perceived softening of Saudi Arabia's position in the direction of a compromise, for the first time charged Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein with committing "war crimes" and said he was more determined than ever that the "dictator and invader" should quit Kuwait without any compromise of any sort.

Defence Secretary Dick Cheney, dealing with some of the practical aspects, told CBS television Thursday that as many as 100,000 more American troops might be moved to the Gulf.

"We're not at the point yet where we want to stop adding forces," he said.

Asked if 100,000 more might be added to the 220,000 already in place, Mr. Cheney responded: "It's conceivable that we'll end up with that big an increase. We want to make certain we've got the forces over there to deal with any contingency."

The U.S. force, plus contingents from Britain, France and other Western countries and some Arab nations headed by Egypt, have been deployed to defend Saudi Arabia following Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait on August 2. There has been increasing debate in Washington over a possible offensive if a U.N.-mandated embargo drags on without an Iraqi withdrawal.

Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) director William Webster in turn said the Bush administration believed the Middle East would never be secure with Mr. Hussein in power unless his weapons of mass destruction were destroyed or a countervailing regional force was established.

"Can you put him back in his box?" the CIA chief asked rhetorically at a breakfast meeting of the National Council of World Affairs Organizations.

In London, the defence ministry said Friday it had asked state-run hospitals to say what facilities they could provide for wounded soldiers from the Gulf in the event of war with Iraq.

Civilian hospitals in Britain were used to treat wounded troops during the Falklands war with Argentina in 1982.

The ministry said 6,000 combat troops and about 3,000 support staff would become operational in Saudi Arabia on November 15, and 200 doctors and military nurses would run a field hospital there of 400 beds.

Foreign Office junior minister William Waldegrave told BBC television that the defence ministry was "quite rightly taking all the proper precautions in case it ever did come to a fight".

He said London and Washington were continuing to seek a peaceful settlement, but Mr. Hussein had to realise that Western forces were ready to fight if necessary.

"The only real chance of getting a peaceful solution is if Saddam Hussein comes to believe we will fight if necessary and we are prepared to fight if necessary," the minister of state said.

In Paris, there were well-publicised reports that President Francois Mitterrand expected war because Mr. Hussein's intransigence left no alternative. The likely timing of hostilities was dated between October 25 and November 5, though the imminent release of all French hostages due may have altered that timetable.

In Bonn, West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl told British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd that he hoped the coming weekend summit of the European Economic Community in Rome would produce a fresh initiative to maintain the solidity of the international mobilisation against Iraq.

Government spokesman Hans Klein said Mr. Kohl had reaffirmed that his aim was to obtain the release of all foreign hostages held by Iraq.

Growing worries about the likelihood of an outbreak of hostilities were reflected in European markets Friday. The prices of oil and gold rose as did

the dollar and sterling, while stock markets fell.

Iraq's Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz meanwhile charged that the United States and Britain were determined to block all dialogue between Arab states to settle the crisis.

"The U.S.-British occupation of the Arab peninsula is not so much aimed at defending international law as at ensuring direct military control of the oil wells," he said in a report by the Iraqi News Agency.

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#90299d3420 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (OCT. 26) - A squad of elite police agents stormed a kidnappers' hideout near here Friday killing nine men and freeing three businessmen who were abducted for ransom 23 days earlier, authorities said.

General Nacin Yanine Diaz, chief of the elite F-2 police force, said the raid was the first operation in a nationwide crackdown on kidnapping rings which have abducted 950 people so far this year.

In Friday's raid, Gen. Yanine said his agents tracked the kidnappers to a house in San Pedro, 60 kilometers (40 miles) southeast of here, where three local businessmen were being held captive -- one of them for a three million dollar ransom.

Numerous U.S.-made handguns and grenades were seized during the raid, he said.

Meanwhile police reported two new kidnappings Friday: a young woman in Cali, 500 kilometers (280 miles) southwest of here, and a young businessman in Medellin, 500 kilomters to the northwest.

Amd a 24-year-old medical student was killed here Friday as he fought off a group of would be kidnappers, police added.

On Thursday suspected gunmen of the Medellin drug cartel kidnapped a dozen alleged members of the rival Cali drug ring, killing two of them, police said.

The incident was the latest episode in the war between Colombia's two most powerful drug trafficking organizations which are competing to dominate the U.S. drug market, police said.

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PARIS (OCT. 26) - French unemployment increased slightly in September, by 0.4 percent to 2,500,400 seasonally corrected, the highest level since June (2,512,000), the Labor Ministry announced here on Friday.

Despite the September increase of 11,100, the unemployment rate remained at 8.9 percent for the third straight month.

In uncorrected figures, the number of unemployed workers rose by 2.7 per- cent from 2,486,200 in August to K2,554,000 in september.

Labor Minister Jean-Pierre Soisson said the bulk of the September increase was due to a larger than usual number of young people looking for their first job.

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LONDON (OCT. 26) - Demand for tankers loading in the Gulf continued at a steady pace over the past week, but good availability of tonnage precluded any significant rise in rates, London brokers E.A. Gibson said Friday in their weekly report.

Very large crude carriers (VLCCs) were fixed mostly to Eastern destinations, at rates similar to those prevailing the previous week.

Smaller crude carriers (around 80,000 tons) were less in demand. In the clean trades, large sizes showed further gains while smaller units maintained previous levels.

Strong demand out of West Africa resulted in depletion of tonnage and in higher rates. The Caribbean market was also active, and steady demand was seen throughout the week in the North Sea.

But demand remained slow in the Mediterranean market, with rates consequently easier.

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#90299d3470 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (OCT. 26) - Tamil guerrillas killed four Sinhalese civilians in renewed violence in Sri Lanka's eastern province, officials said Friday, as fleeing Moslems streamed out of the island's strife-torn areas.

Tamil sources meanwhile said gunmen suspected to be members of a Tamil group opposed to the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) killed five Tigers and dumped their bodies near the eastern town of Batticaloa.

A military spokesman here said that the rebels Thursday raided a majority Sinhalese village in Pulmoddai in the coastal district of Trincomalee and shot dead four civilians and escaped before troops could arrive.

Heavily armed LTTE fighters said to be roaming jungle areas in the island's

east have killed scores of Sinhalese since renewing their secessionist war in the northeast, home to Sri Lanka's Tamil minority.

The hardline Tigers have vowed to drive away the Sinhalese and government troops from the northeast in their bid to carve out an independent homeland called Eelam.

On Tuesday, the rebels massacred 10 Sinhalese villagers outside the northern province borders while on Thursday they ambushed and killed seven army soldiers in Trincomalee district.

Heavy fighting broke out in Trincomalee and neighbouring districts after the LTTE on June 11 rejected peace talks it had been holding with the government for 14 months and renewed its separatist campaign.

Hundreds of LTTE cadres, most of them in their teens, retreated into thick forests in the east in the face of a major army drive to retake the towns that had come under LTTE control.

But the guerrillas have continued their battle against government forces from well-fortified camps in the jungles, frequently ambushing troops and escaping with the weapons of the dead soldiers.

Minister of State for Defence Ranjan Wijeratne said he would direct the army to shoot on sight anyone who tried to evict Moslems.

One third of Sri Lanka's one million Moslems live in the northeast. But thousands of them have joined Sinhalese and Tamils affected by the violence in refugee camps set up by the government.

According to unofficial and official sources, the violence in the northeast since June 11 has left 4,500 people dead.

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#90299d3540 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (OCT. 26) - Martti Ahtisaari, United Nations Under-Secretary General has been appointed secretary of state at the Finnish Foreign Minis

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#90299d3590 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 26) - Chinese Vice Premier Wu Xueqian said Friday he hoped Britain would take the lead in the European Economic Community (EEC) in restoring normal ties with China, the New China News Agency (NCNA) reported.

Mr. Wu was meeting with Sir Peter Blaker, a British Conservative and leader of a delegation of four parliamentarians here on a six-day visit.

The vice premier said he hoped for more high-level exchanges between China and Britain, one of the EEC members most favorable to restoring normal relations with Beijing.

The EEC said Monday it was lifting sanctions imposed after the crushing of the pro-democracy movement here 17 months ago, except for an embargo on arms sales and a suspension of military cooperation.

Mr. Wu and Sir Peter also discussed international issues and Hong Kong, the British colony off southern China due to revert to Chinese rule in July 1997.

The other members of the delegation, which arrived on Wednesday, were Roger Sims (Conservative), Sir David Steel (Liberal Democrat) and Frank Haynes (Labour).

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#90299d3610 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HALLE, GERMANY (OCT. 26) - German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher on Friday rejected an offer by Iraq to release Germans who are being held hostage by Baghdad as part of its human shield tactic.

Mr. Genscher told a press conference after meeting here with British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd that Iraq had set "a whole range of conditions" for releasing German hostages.

Asked if the conditions included a visit by him to Baghdad, he confirmed: "That was one of them."

Mr. Genscher said the release of western hostages must be "unconditional."

"We stand, as before, by the resolutions of the United Nations," he said, adding it was important to maintain international pressure on President Saddam Hussein.

The German building contractor Strabag meanwhile said Friday that Baghdad had released four company employees held hostage in Iraq following a personal plea by Strabag chief Herbert Werhahn.

The hostages, aged 33 to 56, were employed in the construction of the airport in the southern city of Basra, along with 34 other German nationals.

They were to leave Jordan for Frankfurt on Friday, a company spokesman said in Cologne.

Iraq earmarked 440 million dollars for the construction of the Basra airport.

Mr. Hurd, who accompanied Mr. Genscher's home town of Halle, in former East Germany, said he "entirely and strongly" agreed with the German government's viewpoint.

Although the anti-Hussein alliance sought a peaceful resolution of the crisis, "we are not excluding, of course, we cannot exclude the possibility of the military option," he said.

Mr. Hurd met earlier in Bonn for about an hour with Chancellor Helmut Kohl, on the eve of the European Economic Community (EEC) special summit in Rome.

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#90299d3760 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (OCT 26) - Rajiv Gandhi's estranged sister-in-law quit the Indian cabinet Friday and demanded that Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh resign amid a political crisis facing his embattled coalition government.

Maneka Gandhi, 33, became the first minister to leave since the V.P. Singh administration on Tuesday lost the parliamentary support required to stay in office.

Mrs. Gandhi, minister of state for environment and forests, said she was resigning in protest against the government's "failures."

Among the administration's alleged failures, she listed the premier's plan to allot almost half of all government and public sector jobs for lower castes, calling its implementation "hasty."

The plan, which critics allege would wipe out merit as a criterion for employment in a shrinking job market, has unleashed widespread protests by upper caste students, leaving 53 people dead in protest suicides.

In her resignation letter, copies of which were released to the press, Mrs. Gandhi also cited Mr. V.P. Singh's failure to hold elections in Punjab state and his lack of a "coherent policy" on Moslem militancy in Kashmir.

Sikh separatists are fighting for a separate homeland in Punjab and Moslem separatism has increased since the 59-year-old prime minister assumed office in December 1989.

Mrs. Gandhi, known for her dedicated crusade on environmental issues, is the widow of Sanjay Gandhi, the brother of Mr. V.P. Singh's predecessor Rajiv Gandhi. Her husband died in June 1980 at the controls of a stunt aircraft.

She plunged into politics after a well-publicised row with her mother-in-law, slain prime minister Indira Gandhi, and opposed Rajiv Gandhi in his 1984 election to parliament from the Amethi constituency which her husband nurtured.

She lost heavily then, but won a handsome victory from the Pilbhit constituency to enter parliament in the November 1989 general elections.

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#90299d3800 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (OCT. 26) - Burmese troops on Friday raided two more monasteries in

the central city of Mandalay, state-run Rangoon Radio reported in a broadcast monitored here,

Soldiers stormed the "Minn-Gon" and "Aung Thadedi" monasteries in downtown Mandalay and seized a store of petrol and 48 jade stones, the radio said. There were no casualties, it said, adding that two civilians, suspected of being the owners of the precious stones, were arrested.

Burmese troops earlier this week raided nine monasteries in Mandalay and detained an unspecified number of clergymen.

The ancient royal capital is home to about 80,000 monks.

The soldiers are to search other monasteries in Mandalay suspected of involvement in a boycott and of having connections with the outlawed Burmese Communist Party (BCP), the radio said.

The boycott is in effect an excommunication of the military as monks have refused to receive alms or attend any religious ceremonies organized by military officers and their families.

The clergy imposed the boycott after soldiers were accused of killing two young monks and two students during a demonstration in Mandalay in August.

The State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC), the official name of the ruling junta, has maintained that no one was killed during that incident.

The military also suspects the BCP of having masterminded the boycott.

SLORC chairman General Saw Maung, whose Saturday deadline for the rebellious monks to end their boycott was ignored, issued orders for the crackdown which began Sunday.

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#90299d3810 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (OCT. 26) - Italy had a balance-of-payments deficit of 361 billion lire (318 million dollars) in September, the Italian Foreign Exchange Odffice announced here on Friday.

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#90299d3820 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT 26) - North Sea Brent crude oil for December delivery fell to 33.60 dollars a barrel here Friday mid-afternoon, after having been above the 35-dollar level in the morning.

Brent had closed at 32.25 dollars a barrel on Thursday.

In explaining the downturn, Jim Henderson of Barclays de Zoete Wedd brokerage mentioned rumors of messages sent by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to French President Francois Mitterrand and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev saying he was ready to discuss the Kuwait question.

Other analysts said the drop was due to a feeling that morning fears of a war in the Middle East had been exaggerated.

One operator said the market Friday was "extremely jittery", reacting to any rumor about the Gulf.

The announcement that the United States would beef up its Gulf presence by sending up to 100,000 more men had breathed new life into war fears Thursday evening.

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#90299d3870 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO, (OCT 26) - Italian Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis arrived here Friday for talks with President Hosni Mubarak on the Gulf crisis and voiced concern for Italian nationals trapped in Iraq.

Mr. De Michelis, who was expected to stay in Egypt less than 24 hours, also called for a peaceful soluton to the Gulf crisis triggered by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Some 500 Italians have been trapped in Iraq and Kuwait since the invasion and subsequent annexation of the emirate.

At least five of them have been on a hunger strike at the Italian embassy in Baghdad to press for their release.

Iraq this week has agreed to release nationals from Bulgaria, France, Britain and the United States being held against their will.

Mr. De Michelis, whose country holds the rotating presidency of the European Economic Council, said the EEC "rejects any partial solution to the Gulf crisis."

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#90299d3880 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STORNOWAY, Scotland (OCT 26) - A PanAm airliner flying from Vienna to New York was forced to make an emergency landing on Friday at Stornoway airport in the Western Isles of Scotland, airport officials said.

The PanAm Airbus, carrying 183 passengers, was forced to put down when it was

discovered that one of its engines was leaking oil, 80 kilometres (50 miles) south of Stornoway, the officials said.

The passengers were all evacuated safely and were later transferred on another flight to London.

Stornoway, is the main town in the Western Isles which are in the Atlantic Ocean off the north-west of Scotland.

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#90299d3980 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT 26) - Kenya put some 500 people detained as illegal aliens aboard a train for the Ugandan border Friday, refugees told the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).

Sylvester Awuye, the UNHCR representative here, said four or five people aboard the train, bound for the border town of Malaba, "might be refugees". He said UNHCR was checking whether they were registered as refugees, and "will ask Kenyan authorities to bring them back if it is confirmed that they are refugees".

Those aboard the train are believed to include Ugandans, Rwandans and Tanzanians.

Mr. Awuye said the authorities had started releasing refugees who were among 1,058 foreigners rounded up since President Daniel arap Moi last weekend ordered the expulsion of illegal immigrants in a move that targeted Ugandans and Rwandans.

"As of Thursday, 144 of those arrested were refugees, according to our records " Mr. Awuye said.

The releases came after Mr. Awuye met Home Minister Davidson Kuguru, who agreed to coordinate with UNHCR "efforts to secure the release of refugees and asylum seekers who have been inadvertently rounded up in the government's crackdown on illegal aliens."

Mr. Awuye said about 10,000 refugees were legally resident in Kenya.

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#90299d4000 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (OCT 26) - Three robbers, apparently unarmed, made off with some three million dollars worth of jewelry when they raided a city-centre shop here Friday, police said.

The gang made their escape in a stolen car which was later found abandoned

near the French border.

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#90299d4080 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WINDHOEK (OCT 26) - Namibia's inflation rate for September was 11.1 per- cent
figures released Friday by the National Planning Commission show.

In September 1989 the year-on-year inflation rate stood at 12.1 percent.

Inflation peaked at 13.8 percent in January this year while it reached its lowest point in July and September at 11.1 per cent.

The average inflation rate for the first nine months of the year was 12.4 percent.

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#90299d4190 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (OCT 26) - Soviet presidential envoy Yevgeni Primakov discussed the Gulf crisis here Friday with President Hosni Mubarak and later said he was cautiously optimistic over a peaceful end to the conflict.

"If all goes well, we will meet again soon in Egypt and we will outline all the details of the problem," he said without elaborating after a 75-minute meeting with Mr. Mubarak.

Mr. Primakov, on a second visit to Cairo this week as part of a regional Middle East tour that will also take him to Iraq, said it was "possible to positively modify the situation without the use of force."

He added that the Soviet Union was in favour of a return to the situation that prevailed before Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait "without rewarding the aggressor."

Mr. Primakov arrived earlier from Damascus where he delivered a message to Syrian President Hafez al-Assad from his Soviet counterpart Mikhail Gorbachev.

He met with Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid to discuss the Gulf crisis before his talks with Mr. Mubarak.

Mr. Primakov will also travel on to Saudi Arabia and Iraq as part of Soviet diplomatic efforts to find a solution to the crisis.

Reliable Soviet sources in have Baghdad that Mr. Primakov was expected in the Iraqi capital on Sunday for his second visit in less than a month.

Moscow is coordinating its peace efforts with Paris, the Soviet sources in Baghdad said, referring to a call by French President Francois Mitterrand for an Iraqi commitment to withdraw from Kuwait and release hostages.

In Paris late Friday, French presidential spokesman Hubert Vedrine denied speculation that Mr. Hussein had sent a letter separately to Mr. Gorbachev and Mr. Mitterrand expressing readiness to discuss Kuwait.

Mr. Vedrine said he had "absolutely no knowledge" of such a letter. Rumours about the letter were said earlier Friday to have pushed down the Brent oil reference crude price, according to Jim Henderson of the brokers Barclays de Zoete Wedd.

Mr. Primakov, in talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on his last visit, secured Baghdad's agreement to allow the repatriation of 1,500 of the 5,000 Soviet nationals stranded in Iraq.

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#90299d4310 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) - Iraq has planted enough plastic explosives throughout Kuwait's four oil refineries to destroy the emirate's refining capacity, U.S. Government sources said Friday.

The sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Iraqi troops had also placed explosives at pumping oil stations, processing centers and oil wells in apparent preparation for a implementing a "scorched earth" policy to destroy the Kuwaiti economy if Baghdad is forced to withdraw from the country.

"They're basically all wired up for destruction -- even the refineries," said one source.

Other sources said Iraq was also stripping Kuwait of large quantities of chemicals and equipment used in oil processsing for apparent use in Iraq.

The sources said details of the Iraqi actions came from satellite photos and information from Kuwaiti exiles and released foreign hostages.

If detonated, the explosives at Kuwait's four refineries would knock out the

country's refining capacity for at least six months and keep the installations from returning to full capacity for at least two years, a government source said.

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#90299d4380 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (OCT 26) - Sweden Friday indicated officially for the first time that it may be interested in becoming a member of the European Community.

The new interest, which was made evident in remarks to the Swedish parliament by Prime Minister Ingvar Carlsson, caused surprise among E.C. officials in Brussels, observers said. However, spokesmen for ''the twelve'' in the Belgian capital refused to comment.

To date, Sweden's neutrality has always been the main barrier to an application by the Scandinavian country for membership in the Community.

In a statement on economic policies, Carlsson said that as of now, when formulating its position towards the E.C., his government would base its approach on the possibility that the country might one day become an E.C. member.

Since Spain and Portugal joined the Community in 1986, the E.C. has blocked all further membership applications, arguing that the twelve current members must first introduce the single economic market, slated to come into force on January 1, 1993, before considering further expansion.

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#90299d4410 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 26) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev Friday signed a decree providing for the first time for the creation of enterprises fully owned by foreign investors and guaranteeing the unrestricted transfer of profits, Tass said.

The measure, which aims at bringing foreign investors to the Soviet Union, comes to the backdrop of Gorbachev's reform plans to transform the state-run into a Western market-style economy.

Foreign investments can be in the form of participation in enterprises, the purchase of property, shares and securities, the purchase - independently or with Soviet firms or citizens - of the right to long-term leasing, the Soviet news agency added.

''Foreign investments on Soviet territory enjoy legal protection,'' Tass quoted the decree as saying.

''Profits of foreign investors, obtained in the Ussr in Soviet currency, can be freely reinvested,'' Tass said.

The profits can be ''used on Soviet territory in accordance with Soviet legislation and that of Union republics, and can be transfered abroad in line with the procedure established by Soviet legislation'', the decree added.

The decree also envisages the creation of special business zones, where firms would enjoy favourable terms, in an attempt to boost joint ventures. The decree said it was up to the respective republics to decide on the details of such incentives.

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#90299d4650 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG, (OCT 27) - The number of victims from a collapse at a factory building climbed to six early Saturday, officials said.

Government spokeswoman Bonnie Yip said firefighters pulled five bodies and nine survivors from the debris after the canopy of the multi-story building, located in an industrial district of Kowloon, collapsed on pedestrians in the street below late Friday.

The Hong Kong government said later that one of the eight taken to hospital had died. Five were receiving treatment and one had been released.

Another spokeswoman, Winnie Lo, said everyone in the building had been accounted for and the Buildings and Lands Department was investigating the incident.

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#90299d4940 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

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#90299d5050 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAHORE, PAKISTAN (OCT 26) - Former prime minister Benazir Bhutto reiterating that Wednesday's elections were "massively rigged," said Friday that her party might demand new elections.

Addressing a press conference, she said that top officials of her People's Democratic Alliance was weighing various options, including fresh polls and a protest movement, and that a decision would be made at a scheduled meeting here Saturday of the party leaderhsip.

Ms. Bhutto was making her her first post-election visit to the Punjab capital, where the PDA suffered a shock defeat at the hands of the pro-government Islamic Democratic Alliance (IJI).

Questioned about a report by an international team of observers from the Washington-based National Democratic Institute (NDI) that serious problems had affected the polls but the problems did not significantly alter the outcome of the elections, she said that "our reaction will be given later."

However, she asserted that the NDI team did not visit a large number of

polling stations, and alleged that rigging took place after the observers had left certain areas.

Ms. Buhutto claimed that presiding officers did not issue certificates on vote counts in some 40 to 50 constituencies.

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#90299d5400 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KINSHASA, (OCT 26) - The leaders of Rwanda, Burundi, Uganda and Zaire were meeting in the far north of Zaire on Friday to discuss the crisis caused by a rebel incursion into Rwanda, officials said here.

The meeting, hosted by Zairean President Mobutu Sese Seko at his home village of Gbadolite, was being attended by Presidents Juvenal Habyarimana of Rwanda, Pierre Buyoya of Burundi and Yoweri Museveni of Uganda.

The talks came as fierce fighting broke out again in the tiny east African state, just 36 hours after a cease-fire had gone into effect.

The official Zairean news agency AZAP said the four leaders were discussing the cease-fire, and plans for talks between the rebels and the Rwandan government.

They were also to discuss the composition of a proposed multinational force, which is due to take up positions between the two sides.

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#90299d5410 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO, (OCT 27) - Faced with the Gulf crisis and despite mounting pressure from ecologists, Japan's government plans to forge ahead with its nuclear energy development plans, according to a report approved Friday.

The report, drafted each year by the atomic energy commission, said the demand for nuclear energy would continue to increase rapidly and that Japan would be able to produce 50 billion kilowatts of nuclear power by the year 2,000, with a capacity of 72 billion KW by 2,010.

Despite an active anti-nuclear movement in Japan, nuclear energy generates nearly 30 per cent of the electricity consumed here, and the percentage is set to increase to 43 in 2,010.

To attain what commission official Hideaki Tsuzuku acknowledged were "ambitious" goals, Japan will continue building traditional nuclear plants while developing new types of reactors.

At present, Japan possesses 39 plants in operation. Another 13 are under

construction and three are in the planning stages, while about 30 others are expected to be built by the year 2,010.

Among technologies expected to be put into operation, Japan is planning on a prototype of a rapid neutron reactor dubbed Monju due to be completed in 1992, as well as a thermal reactor using plutonium which should be developed by 1995 and put into commercial use the following year, the report said.

But the report stressed the necessity for Japan to reinforce its "technological foundation for the reprocessing-recycling of spent fuel" and the need to establish a complete cycle for nuclear fuel here.

Construction of a large nuclear reprocessing plant is due to begin in Rokkasho-Mura, a small village in northern Japan where radioactive waste will be buried in the future.

The plans for the village have spawned an active anti-nuclear movement from local residents who fear it will create high levels of radioactivity in the ecosystem.

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#90299d5600 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (OCT 27) - New Zealand voters were casting their ballots in general elections Saturday in what appeared to be a heavy turnout, local reports said.

Labour Prime Minister Mike Moore voted Saturday morning while opposition leader Jim Bolger cast his ballot in his own electorate, the remote King Country, 400 kilometres (250 miles) north of here.

In some parts of the country queues were reported outside booths.

Traditionally, a heavy turnout is said to favour the Labour Party.

A record 2.2 million voters are enrolled in 97 electorates where 677 candidates from parties including Labour, National, Democrat, Social Credit,

Green, New Labour, Christian Heritage, McGillicuddy Serious and Mana Motuhake are running.

Polling booths close at 7:00 p.m. (0600 GMT) and the first indications of the result are likely within an hour of the end of voting.

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#90299d5720 10/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM, (OCT 27) - The Swedish government, which is drawing up austerity

plans to deal with a huge outflow of capital, is seeking a statement from parliament affirming its desire to join the European Economic Community, Finance Minister Allan Larsson said Friday.

"With its program, the government seeks a decision from parliament that will make clear Sweden's ambition to become an EEC member," Mr. Larsson said at a press conference on the austerity measures, which the minority Social Democrat government of Prime Minister Ingvar Carlsson is expected to announce this week.

The minister gave no date for a possible parliamentary debate, nor for the country's application to join the EEC.

The increasing flight of capital from Sweden earlier this month forced the government to put up interest rates to over 17 per cent to defend the krona.

The country is also suffering from an annual inflation rate of 11.5 per cent, one of the highest in western Europe, and an increasing balance of payments deficit.

Mr. Carlsson's austerity plan is expected to include a cut of some 15 billion krona (2.7 billion dollars) in public spending.

The government has also said it plans to cut trade tariffs, in particular for farm products.

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#90299e0017 10/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (OCT 26) EFE - Basques were expected to reject separatist violence once more and vote for economic recovery at polls Sunday in this autonomous region of northern Spain.

The ruling coalition of the conservative Basque Nationalist Party (PNV) and the Basque Socialist Party (PSE) were tipped to win the elections called to pick a regional president and parliament.

The once healthy economies of the three Spanish Basque provinces of Vizcaya, Guipuzcoa and Alava have suffered the ravages of a 22-year guerrilla war waged by the armed separatist ETA (Basque Homeland and Liberty) movement.

More than 600 people, mostly members of the Spanish security forces, have died.

The campaign is aimed at forcing the central government in Madrid to grant the Basques the right to independence.

But most Basques, traditionally hard-working Roman Catholics, oppose Marxism and, although deeply nationalistic, have generally accepted the degree of autonomy allowed by Madrid.

Separatist interests are upheld by the Herri Batasuna Party, considered to be the political wing of ETA, but at present it only enjoys the support of 16 per cent of the two million Spanish Basques.

In the last regional elections in 1986, the PNV-PSE coalition won a majority of votes, gaining 17 and 18 seats respectively in the 75-member parliament.

Herri Batusuna came third, winning 13 seats and the rest were shared by a number of smaller parties.

The PNV and the PSE, the Basque branch of Spain's ruling Socialist Party, were expected to improve their performance on Sunday.

In 1989 the Basque economy showed signs of recovery when regional growth of 5.7 per cent overtook overall national growth of five per cent. It was the first time in 12 years that the industrialzsed Basque region had notched such a record.

Campaigning for the elections have been the most peaceful since Spain gave autonomy to the Basque region in 1979, the most extensive granted to any region in the peninsula.

"For the first time we are talking of Basque problems and not about the Basque problem," said regional President Jose Antonio Ardananza who is standing for re-election as the PNV candidate on Sunday.

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#90299e0034 10/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (OCT. 26) EFE - Five Britons, believed to be part of an international ring smuggling hashish to Britain and the Netherlands, have been arrested and 230kg of the drug seized, Spanish authorities said Friday.

The five Britons were identified as John Charles Short, Charles Smith, Kevin Thorm, John Robert Cooper, and Ann Ellen Ratwell. They were arrested Tuesday in the capital.

Most of the drugs, which were worth a total of dlrs 1.5 million, was found hidden in the wheels of a truck at a warehouse near Madrid. Another 30 kg was discovered inside a British-registered transit van.

The hashish was smuggled into Spain from North Africa. A Spaniard was also arrested in the operation.

Police said the investigation had now switched to the Mediterranean holiday resort of Fuengirola, after the group had given enough evidence to identify others members of the network, including the leader.

British police cooperated with Spanish authorities in the sweep.

Police believe the gang may have been responsible for another 1,000 kg of hashish which had previously been seized.

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#90299e0038 10/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (OCT. 26) EFE - The Argentine government reached an agreement Friday on tariff rates with the foreign buyers of the state-owned telephone company ENTel after a week of tense negotiations, Argentine government officials said.

Argentine Vice President Eduardo Duhalde said Spain's government-owned telecommunications company Telefonica and a consortium led by its Italian counterpart, STET, had agreed to accept the government's initial tariff of 207 australs (3.6 cents) per unit.

Telefonica and the STET-led consortium had been holding out for a base price per unit of 289 australs (five cents).

The government set a rate of 193 australs per unit last September but since then the Argentine economy has been hit by a resurgence of hyperinflation.

The Spanish company is now set to take over ENTel's southern network, Telco Sur, with STET and its French partner France Cable and Radio acquiring the northern network, Telco Norte.

Earlier in the week, the government had threatened to call a halt to ENTel's privatization if the two groups of buyers refused to accept its base price for a phone call.

The deal was sealed after a flurry of diplomatic intervention, with the French Spanish and Italian ambassadors visiting Duarte in support of their respective telecommunications companies, Argentine press reported.

Unions and opposition parties had opposed the privatization which forms part of the government's plan to reduce the country's massive fiscal deficit. ENTel has some 40,000 employees.

Under the agreement, Telefonica and the STET-led consortium acquire 60 per cent of Telco Sur and Telco Norte respectively for a total dlrs 214 million in cash and dlrs five million in Argentine foreign-debt paper.

Another 30 per cent of ENTel's shares are to be sold on the open market while the remaining ten per cent are to be acquired by cooperatives and company employees.

Duarte is acting head of state during President Carlos Menem's current tour of several Western European countries.

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#90299f1869 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 26) UPI - Widespread selling and forecasts for continued favorable harvest weather continued to pressure the grain market Friday.

Closing prices were lower on the Chicago Board of Trade in light to moderate trading.

Soybeans were at their lowest levels in three months. November beans fell to $5.94 per bushel and closed just above the low. Commercials dominated the selling in the soy complex on reports of an increase in farmer selling and expectations of heavy deliveries of soybeans on Wednesday.

Corn was moderately lower across the board, although losses were limited by light commercial buying.

Active harvesting weighed on corn and soybean prices, and the forecast called for little or no rain during the weekend in the major production areas.

Wheat was lower in quiet trading.

Basis levels were steady to firm. While receipts at elevators were moderate to heavy, most of the grain was going into storage.

At the close, corn was off 2 to 2 3/4, soybeans down 4 to 10 3/4, wheat off 1 3/4 to up 3/4 and oats down 3 1/2 to 4.

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#90299h0042 10/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 26) XINHUA - CHINESE ARCHEOLOGISTS HAVE DISCOVERED LARGE AND WELL-PRESERVED MURALS IN AN ANCIENT TOMB DATING BACK TO THE NORTHERN DYNASTIES (386-581) PERIOD, ACCORDING TO THE "GUANGMING DAILY" TODAY.

LOCATED ON THE NORTH BANK OF THE ZHANGHE RIVER IN CIXIAN COUNTY, HEBEI PROVINCE, THE TOMB'S COFFIN CHAMBER IS 12 M IN HEIGHT AND COVERS AN AREA OF 50 SQ M.

ON BOTH THE EASTERN AND WESTERN WALLS OF CORRIDOR LEADING TO THE CHAMBER ARE HUGE MURALS DEPICTING THE BURIAL RITES. MORE THAN 100 LIFE-SIZED FIGURES ARE TAKING PART IN THE FUNERAL PROCESSION, WHICH IS LEAD BY A BLACK DRAGON AND A WHITE TIGER.

IN THE SKY ABOVE THE PROCESSION ARE VARIOUS MYTHICAL ANIMALS, LOTUSES AND FLOATING CLOUDS.

IT IS ESPECIALLY NOTICEABLE THAT THERE ARE MORE THAN 100 SQ M OF PAINTINGS OF LOTUSES AND OTHER DECORATIVE FLOWERS AND PLANTS ON THE FLOOR OF THE CORRIDOR.

LARGE NUMBERS OF RELICS, INCLUDING JADEWARE, PORCELAIN PRODUCTS AND OVER 2,000 PIECES OF POTTERY WITH LIFE-SIZED WARRIOR, MUSICIAN AND SERVANT FIGURES WERE ALSO UNEARTHED FROM THE TOMB.

SINCE NO WRITTEN MATERIALS WERE FOUND IN THE TOMB, THE EXACT DATE AND THE NAME OF THE OWNER OF THE TOMB STILL REMAIN UNCERTAIN, SAID XU GUANGJI, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE OF ARCHEOLOGY UNDER THE CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES.

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#90299h0092 10/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (OCT. 26) XINHUA - THE VALUE OF HONG KONG'S RE-EXPORTS ROSE BY 15.3 PERCENT TO 35,100 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (4,500 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN SEPTEMBER COMPARED WITH A YEAR EARLIER.

LATEST OFFICIAL STATISTICS SHOW THAT THE VALUE OF HONG KONG'S DOMESTIC EXPORTS AMOUNTED TO 19,525 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (2,503 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), SHOWING VIRTUALLY NO CHANGE OVER SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR.

TAKING DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS TOGETHER, THE VALUE OF HONG KONG'S TOTAL EXPORTS ROSE BY 9.3 PERCENT TO 54,625 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (7,003 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR.

THE IMPORTS IN VALUE TERMS GREW BY 14.8 PERCENT OVER A YEAR EARLIER TO 53,852 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (6,904 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

A VISIBLE TRADE SURPLUS OF 773 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (99 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) WAS RECORDED IN SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR.

COMMENTING ON THE SEPTEMBER FIGURES, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE PERFORMANCE OF RE-EXPORTS CONTINUED TO BE ROBUST WHILE THE DECLINES IN THE VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS SEEMED TO HAVE MODERATED OR STABILIZED IN RECENT MONTHS.

HE SAID THAT THE STRONG GROWTH IN RE-EXPORTS WAS LARGELY ATTRIBUTABLE TO A RAPID INCREASE IN RE-EXPORTS OF CHINA ORIGIN.

AS REGARDS RETAINED IMPORTS, A FURTHER SIGNIFICANT INCREASE WAS RECORDED IN SEPTEMBER. THEY HAD ALREADY SHOWN POSITIVE GROWTH FOR THREE CONSECUTIVE MONTHS. THIS MIGHT SUGGEST SOME IMPROVEMENT IN DOMESTIC DEMAND.

THE SPOKESMAN, HOWEVER, SAID THAT DEVELOPMENTS STEMMING FROM THE GULF CRISIS

WERE EXPECTED TO HAVE SOME DAMPENING EFFECT ON THE DEMAND FOR HONG KONG'S EXPORTS, DEPENDING ON THE IMPACT OF THE CRISIS ON HONG KONG'S MAJOR OVERSEAS MARKETS, PARTICULARLY THE UNITED STATES.

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#90299h0100 10/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) XINHUA - THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC) TODAY EXPRESSED DISSATISFACTION AT THE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE LIBERALIZATION OF JAPAN'S FOOD, FISH AND LEATHER MARKETS.

SPEAKING AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE ANNUAL BILATERAL TRADE TALKS, HORST BUNTER KRENZIER, CHIEF NEGOTIATOR FOR EC, SAID THE PROGRESS ACHIEVED IN THE TWO-DAY MEETING WAS "FAR FROM BEING SATISFACTORY."

EC CALLED IN PARTICULAR FOR FREER MARKETS FOR PROCESSED FOOD, MARINE PRODUCTS AND LEATHER FOOTWEAR AT THE NEGOTIATIONS.

BUT THESE AREAS ARE STRONGLY PROTECTED BY THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT AND ARE DIFFICULT TO PENETRATE, THE CHIEF NEGOTIATOR SAID.

KRENZLER CAREFULLY AVOIDED LINKING THE FAILURE OF THE TALKS WITH THE ISSUE OF JAPANESE CAR SALES IN EC MARKETS, BUT HINTED THAT IT WOULD AFFECT GENERAL BILATERAL RELATIONS, WHICH "CERTAINLY INCLUDE" THE AUTO ISSUE.

THE TWO SIDES AGREED TO MAKE FURTHER EFFORTS AND TO BRING THE PROBLEMS TO THE URUGUAY ROUND OF MULTILATERAL TRADE TALKS OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT), HE SAID.

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#90299k0069 10/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) KYODO - PUBLIC PROSECUTORS ON FRIDAY INDICTED TWO FORMER BRANCH MANAGERS OF SUMITOMO BANK AND A BUSINESS CONSULTANT FOR ALLEGEDLY ARRANGING ILLEGAL LOANS TOTALING 43.9 BILLION YEN FOR STOCK SPECULATORS.

THE TOKYO DISTRICT PUBLIC PROSECUTORS OFFICE INDICTED AKINORI YAMASHITA, 45, OF TOKYO, FORMER MANAGER OF SUMITOMO'S AOBADAI BRANCH, IN YOKOHAMA, AND FUMIO NISHIMARU, 41, YAMASHITA'S SUCCESSOR AT THE BRANCH.

THE PAIR WERE INDICTED UNDER THE INVESTMENT DEPOSIT AND INTEREST RATE CONTROL LAW. KIYOSHI AKIYAMA, 40, OF TOKYO, PRESIDENT OF A TOKYO-BASED BUSINESS CONSULTANCY COMPANY, WAS ALSO INDICTED UNDER THE LAW.

THE INDICTMENT ALLEGES THAT YAMASHITA USED HIS POSITION AS BRANCH MANAGER TO ARRANGE PRIVATE LOANS TOTALING 11.4 BILLION YEN FROM THREE BIG SUMITOMO BANK CUSTOMERS BETWEEN MARCH AND SEPTEMBER 1988 FOR STOCKS SPECULATOR MITSUHIRO KOTANI.

KOTANI, 53, WHO OPERATES A STOCK SPECULATION GROUP, KOSHIN, IS CURRENTLY ON TRIAL ON AN ILLEGAL STOCKS TRADING CHARGE.

YAMASHITA'S INVOLVEMENT IN THE LOAN SCANDAL, WHICH SURFACED WITH HIS ARREST ON OCTOBER 5, PROMPTED THE RESIGNATION OF TWO SENIOR SUMITO BANK EXECUTIVES, INCLUDING BOARD CHAIRMAN ICHIRO ISODA, 77.

PROSECUTION SOURCES SAID YAMASHITA RECEIVED CASH FROM KOTANI AS A REWARD, AS WELL AS INSIDER INFORMATION ON STOCKS DEALS THAT PRODUCED HUGE SPECULATIVE TRADING PROFITS.

YAMASHITA, WHO WAS TRANSFERRED TO A DIFFERENT BRANCH IN TOKYO EARLY THIS YEAR, WAS ALSO CHARGED WITH MEDIATING PRIVATE LOANS OF 11.5 BILLION YEN BETWEEN MARCH AND JULY, ACTING IN CONSPIRACY WITH AKIYAMA, TO A COMPANY ASSOCIATED WITH AKIRA KATO, 49, THE OWNER OF THE DEFUNCT SEIBI STOCK SPECULATORS' GROUP.

NISHIMARU, WHO SUCCEEDED YAMASHITA IN JANUARY, WAS INDICTED FOR ILLEGALLY ARRANGING 20 BILLION YEN IN LOANS FROM FOUR BIG SUMITOMO CUSTOMERS TO THE SAME SEIBI GROUP COMPANY IN CONSPIRACY WITH HIS PREDECESSOR AND AKIYAMA AND ONE LOAN OF 1 BILLION YEN TO AKIYAMA HIMSELF.

PROSECUTORS INDICTED NISHIMARU, WHO WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE BANK HEADQUARTERS SHORTLY BEFORE YAMASHITA'S ARREST, WITHOUT DETAINING HIM. PROSECUTION SOURCES INDICATED THAT WAS BECAUSE HE APPARENTLY DID NOT RECEIVE REWARDS FOR FIXING OF THE LOANS.

LATER ON FRIDAY, SUMITOMO BANK ANNOUNCED THAT IT HAD SACKED THE TWO OFFICIALS, ADDING THAT THE BANK WAS DEMANDING THE RETURN OF RETIREMENT MONEY ALREADY PAID TO YAMASHITA.

MEANWHILE, THE SOURCES SAID PART OF THE LOANS THE TWO EXECUTIVES ARRANGED HAD COME FROM SUMITOMO BANK ITSELF.

THE INDICTMENT OF THE TWO SUMITOMO MANAGERS CAME TWO DAYS AFTER PUBLIC PROSECUTORS IN TOKYO ARRESTED TWO FORMER EXECUTIVES OF MITSUI TRUST AND BANKING FOR ALLEGED TAX EVASION FOR EARNINGS THROUGH STOCK DEALINGS.

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#90299k0075 10/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 26) KYODO - THE STOCK MARKET CRASHED FRIDAY IN A RECORD SINGLE-DAY DROP IN THE INDEX BECAUSE OF INVESTORS' WORRIES ABOUT RENEWED TENSION IN THE GULF REGION, POSSIBLE OIL PRICE HIKES AND POLITICAL JITTERS, REPORTS YONHAP.

THE COMPOSITE STOCK PRICE INDEX PLUMMETED 32.04 POINTS, OR 4.17 PERCENT, TO CLOSE THE DAY AT 735.02, SHEDDING 7.53 PERCENT IN TWO DAYS.

THE WORST MARKET CRASH WAS ATTRIBUTED TO THE REPORTED GOVERNMENT INTENTION TO RAISE OIL PRICES WITHIN THIS YEAR, POLITICAL TENSION REKINDLED BY CONTROVERSY OVER PROPOSED SHIFT TO THE PARLIAMENTARY CABINET SYSTEM AND INTRODUCTION OF LOCAL AUTONOMY.

A U.S. DECISION TO SEND 100,000 ADDITIONAL SOLDIERS TO THE TENSION-RISING PERSIAN GULF ALSO CONTRIBUTED TO THE AVALANCHE OF SELLING ORDERS.

THE FRIDAY COLLAPSE BROKE THE RECORD OF 31.71 POINT-FALL ON APRIL 30 THIS YEAR.

TRADING VOLUME AMOUNTED TO 18.3 MILLION SHARES FOR A TURNOVER OF 268.162 BILLION WON. TRADED ITEMS ACCOUNTED FOR ONLY 62 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL ENLISTED ISSUES, BELOW THE PREVIOUS LOW OF 64 PERCENT ON APRIL 30.

THE NUMBER OF LOSERS TOTALED 906, INCLUDING 872 STOCKS LOSING TO THE INTRADAY LIMIT, WHILE THAT OF GAINERS POSTED 38, INCLUDING 20 STOCKS RISING TO THE LIMIT. EIGHT STOCKS REMAINED UNCHANGED.

SHORT-TERM FINANCE COMPANY ISSUES WERE THE ONLY GAINERS AMID THE ACROSS-THE-BOARD RETREAT.

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#90299k0076 10/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) KYODO - JAPAN'S ECONOMY WILL SLOW DOWN SLIGHTLY IN THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR STARTING IN APRIL 1991, WITH FALLING GROWTH IN HOUSING AND CORPORATE CAPITAL SPENDING, THE BANK OF JAPAN SAID IN A QUARTERLY REPORT FRIDAY.

BUT A CENTRAL BANK OFFICIAL SAID THE SLOWDOWN WILL NOT BE SIGNIFICANT ENOUGH TO TURN THE ECONOMY INTO A RECESSION IN FISCAL 1991, NOTING THAT THE NATION'S ECONOMY WILL REMAIN ON AN EXPANSIONARY TRACK.

''ASSUMING THE CURRENT STABLE MOVEMENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND OIL PRICES WILL CONTINUE, THE PACE OF GROWTH WILL NOT BE FAR APART FROM FORECASTS OF AROUND 4 PERCENT BY PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS,'' SAID MASAAKI NAKAO, HEAD OF THE BANK'S RESEARCH AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE CENTRAL BANK REPORT SAID THE TEMPO OF ECONOMIC GROWTH WILL REMAIN HIGH IN THE CURRENT FISCAL 1990, BUT HIGHER INTEREST RATES WILL LIKELY PUT A LID ON HOUSING AND CORPORATE CAPITAL INVESTMENT IN FISCAL 1991.

A RISE IN JAPANESE INTEREST RATES HAS ALREADY SLOWED HOUSING INVESTMENT AND CORPORATE SPENDING ON PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, BOOSTING THE COST OF FUND-RAISING FOR SUCH INVESTMENTS, IT SAID.

THE NATION'S ECONOMY HAS BEEN EXPANDING FOR THE 47TH CONSECUTIVE MONTH THROUGH

OCTOBER, ITS SECOND-LARGEST PERIOD OF POSTWAR GROWTH, ON THE STRENGTH OF PERSONAL CONSUMPTION AND CORPORATE SPENDING ON PLANT AND EQUIPMENT.

BUT THE REPORT CAUTIONED PRICES SHOULD BE MONITORED CAREFULLY TO PREVENT ''HOMEMADE'' INFLATION AS THE SUPPLY-DEMAND SITUATION OF THE LABOR MARKET AND MANUFACTURED GOODS IS TIGHTENING.

PRICE GOUGING HAS NOT BEEN DETECTED YET DESPITE THE SURGE IN OIL PRICES SINCE IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2, BUT CAUTION MUST BE EXERCISED IN LIGHT OF CORPORATE MOVES TO PASS THE INCREASED COST OF LABOR AND DISTRIBUTION ON TO PRODUCT PRICES, IT SAID.

SUCH MOVES, COMBINED WITH A HIKE IN KEROSENE AND GASOLINE PRICES, WILL LIKELY ADD INFLATIONARY PRESSURES ON CONSUMER PRICES IN THE SECOND HALF OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, IT ADDED.

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#90299k0078 10/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) KYODO - DAIWA SECURITIES CO. WILL SET UP A JOINT SECURITIES COMPANY IN JAKARTA WITH INDONESIA'S RODAMAS GROUP ON NOVEMBER 1, THE MAJOR JAPANESE SECURITIES FIRM SAID FRIDAY.

THE JOINT FIRM, DAIWA INDONESIA SECURITIES, WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 8 BILLION RUPIAHS, 70 PERCENT OF WHICH WILL BE PROVIDED BY DAIWA AND 30 PERCENT BY RODAMAS.

THIS WILL BE DAIWA'S 32ND OVERSEAS VENTURE.

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#90299k0088 10/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) KYODO - THE FINANCE MINISTRY WILL SEEK THE DIET PASSAGE OF A FISCAL 1990 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET BY THE END OF THIS YEAR INSTEAD OF EARLY NEXT YEAR, MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID FRIDAY.

THE MOVE IS DESIGNED TO SPEED UP DISBURSEMENT OF 1 BILLION DOLLARS IN NONMILITARY AID FOR THE MULTINATIONAL FORCES IN THE PERSIAN GULF, WHICH IS TO BE PROVIDED IN THE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET, THEY SAID.

THE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET FOR FISCAL 1990 WILL BE SLASHED TO SOME 2 TRILLION YEN FROM ROUGHLY 5.9 TRILLION YEN IN FISCAL 1989 IN LIGHT OF SIGNS OF A SLOWDOWN IN CORPORATE TAX REVENUE GROWTH, THEY SAID.

THE AID MONEY REPRESENTS HALF THE 2 BILLION DOLLARS JAPAN HAS PLEDGED TO THE GULF FORCES CONFRONTING IRAQ. THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY SPENT ANOTHER 1 BILLION YEN IN SUCH AID.

TOKYO HAS ALSO PROMISED ANOTHER 2 BILLION DOLLARS IN AID TO THE MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES AFFECTED BY THE UNITED NATIONS-IMPOSED SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ FOR ITS INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

THE FINANCE MINISTRY WILL DISBURSE MOST OF THE MONEY IN THE FISCAL 1990 BUDGET AND THE REMAINDER WILL BE SET ASIDE IN A FISCAL 1991 BUDGET.

JAPAN HAS BEEN UNDER PRESSURE FROM THE UNITED STATES TO PROVIDE THE MONEY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

THE MINISTRY HAD PLANNED TO DRAFT A FISCAL 1990 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET AS PART OF A PACKAGE WITH A FISCAL 1991 BUDGET FOR SUBMISSION TO THE DIET EARLY NEXT YEAR.

THE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET WILL ALSO INCLUDE SOME 600 BILLION YEN FOR DISASTER RELIEF TO THE AREAS HIT HARD BY A SERIES OF BIG TYPHOONS THIS YEAR, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

UNDER THE SPREADING IMPACT OF CRUMBLING STOCK PRICES SINCE EARLY THIS YEAR, BANKS, INSURANCE FIRMS, AND BROKERAGE HOUSES ARE EXPECTED TO REPORT POOR EARNINGS FOR FISCAL 1990. THESE GROUPS PAY ROUGHLY ONE-THIRD OF ALL CORPORATE TAXES.

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#90299k0090 10/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 26) KYODO - JAPAN'S EXPORTS OF STEEL IN THE APRIL-SEPTEMBER PERIOD DROPPED 18.6 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 8,321,000 TONS, THE LOWEST LEVEL IN 20 YEARS, AN INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION REPORTED FRIDAY.

IT WAS THE FIRST TIME THAT THE CUMULATIVE EXPORT VOLUME FOR THE FIRST HALF OF A FISCAL YEAR FELL BELOW 10 MILLION TONS SINCE THE EXPORT CAME TO 9,090,000 TONS IN FISCAL 1970'S FIRST HALF, ACCORDING TO THE JAPAN IRON AND STEEL FEDERATION.

FEDERATION OFFICIALS ATTRIBUTED THE MARKED DECLINE CHIEFLY TO SLUGGISH EXPORTS TO CASH-STRAPPED CHINA AND THE SOVIET UNION AND PRODUCERS' INCREASED SALES IN THE DOMESTIC MARKET.

AGAINST THE BACKDROP OF BRISK DOMESTIC DEMAND, STEEL SALES IN THE HOME MARKET HAVE BEEN SHOWING STEADY GROWTH, THE ASSOCIATION SAID.

IN SEPTEMBER, JAPAN'S STEEL EXPORTS ALSO FELL 17.5 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 1,347,000 TONS.

EXPORTS TO THE SOVIET UNION PLUNGED 72.1 PERCENT IN SEPTEMBER FROM A YEAR BEFORE TO 13,000 TONS, WHILE SHIPMENTS TO CHINA WERE ALSO DOWN A HEFTY 43.0 PERCENT TO 160,000 TONS.

STEEL EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES FELL 22.8 PERCENT TO 269,000 TONS, THE REPORT SAID.

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#90299m0001 10/26/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 26) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

World stock markets are lower this morning. ... The Nikkei is down 347 points and the FTSE is off 23 points at midday. ... U.S. stocks trading overseas also are down, with the EXMI losing 1.25. ... The dollar is weaker and the long bond is yielding 8.76% in overnight trading. ... Brent North Sea crude is up one dollar to $35.25 for December delivery.

DEFENSE SECRETARY DICK CHENEY says the U.S. may send as many as 100,000 more troops to the Middle East. ... The LABOR DEPARTMENT says wages, salaries and benefits paid to U.S. workers rose 5.2% in the 12 months ended in September, compared to a 5.1% increase the previous 12 months. ... The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS says existing home sales dropped 8% in September. ... UNISYS reports a third-quarter loss of $357 million and says it will lay off 5,000 more workers. ... USAIR reports a third-quarter loss of $120 million and DELTA AIR LINES says it lost $51.6 million. ... UAL reports earnings of $106.1 million, but that is down from $110.9 million from third-quarter 1989. ... BANK OF BOSTON reports a third-quarter loss of $254.9 million vs. a $125.1 million a year earlier. ... "The New York Daily News" is on strike and "The Wall Street Journal" is raising its newsstand price from 50 cents to 75 cents. ... AVON PRODUCTS has hired the investment firm of JAMES WOLFENSOHN INC. to explore options for raising the price of the cosmetics company's shares.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

MNC FINANCIAL CORP., the fourth-largest credit card business in the country, is up for sale as its parent bank tries to raise cash to cover heavy losses on commercial real estate loans. ... Federal regulators approved a plan to sell or close about 192 failed savings and loans over the next six months. ... The former owner of the WESTERN SAVINGS ASSOCIATION in Texas faces trial on 37 charges of bank fraud, misuse of funds and conspiracy following his indictment yesterday. ... AMERICAN AIRLINES is offering to top a $300 million UNITED AIRLINES bid for PAN AM's London routes.

FROM THE BULLS:

"When the market is down 20% to 30%, it isn't the time to be bearish," says

SHELBY DAVIS of the NEW YORK VENTURE FUND. (WSJ, 10/26)

"Despite the market's decline, it gave me the impression that it wants to move higher," says HARRY LAUBSCHER of TUCKER ANTHONY R.L. DAY INC. He points out that "volume didn't expand on the weakness Thursday," and there was progress on the budget deal. Laubscher says that with a budget agreement, "the Federal Reserve may do something

to lower the federal funds rate." ("Investor's Daily", 10/26)

"Everybody's worries - Iraq, the budget dilemma and the financial crisis - should largely be resolved in the next six to 12 months," says WILLIAM HAY, head of DUNDEE PARTNERS. He sees the Dow at 3000 by June. "If you buy quality and growth - and you've got patience - the injured will get health again." ("USA Today", 10/26)

MARK LEIBOVIT, editor of the "Volume Reversal Survey," is looking for an upside "explosion" that could propel the Dow to 2833 and mark the beginning of a new bull market. "The Middle East crisis may blow over," says Leibovit. "I am also encouraged that volume ... declined on the recent lows." ("Investor's Daily", 10/26)

FROM THE BEARS:

"It now appears this bear market is going to be a lot worse than originally expected," says DAN SULLIVAN at "The Chartist." Sullivan says the market has trapped thousands of investors who bought in at higher levels and are now looking to get out. He fears a re-run of the 1973-74 bear market. (CNBC "World Business", 10/26)

"I think we will trend lower to the 2400 level [on the Dow]," says DALE TILLS, head of institutional trading for CHARLES SCHWAB in San Francisco. (WSJ, 10/26)

STOCK MARKET:

"On a very near-term basis, we've seen resistance coming at the 2530 area, so that's a level the market will have to get above to really have any kind of a breakout," says EUGENE PERONI of JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/25)

"The only thing a trader can do is sell [into] rallies," says THOMAS GALLAGHER of OPPENHEIMER & CO. "If you do that you make money every time." (WSJ, 10/26)

"It's not just oil prices" that is driving the stock market, says DOUGLAS LOUDON of SCUDDER, STEVENS & CLARK. "It's the whole political situation - what's going on in Iraq and Kuwait and the possibility of war." He says with so much negative sentiment, the smallest bit of good news can cause the market

to rally by as much as 150 points. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/25)

"It looks like the buying's dried up," says KEN DUCEY of S.G. WARBURG. "The sellers have no place to go. That's why the market's down 20 points. It was affected mostly by program trading." (NYT, 10/26)

"The early optimism faded on the growling from the Middle East," says JAMES CRIST of PARKER/HUNTER. "Until something's settled over there, the market won't be on firm footing." ("USA Today", 10/26)

"Conviction levels are low," says ERIC MILLER at DONALDSON LUFKIN & JENRETTE. "The primary question [in investors' minds] is whether there is a serious recession ahead of us or not." (WSJ, 10/26)

STOCK TIPS:

"If you can't eat it, drink it, smoke it, use it in the bathroom or earn a yield on it, you don't want to own it," says STEVEN KROLL, president of SHEARSON LEHMAN ADVISERS. (WSJ, 10/26)

Since the Kuwait invasion, the number of IPO's have slowed to a trickle. New issues which are making it to market have tended to be in the oil and health-care area, says LINDSAY VAN VOORHIS of SECURITIES DATA. He likes ALTA HEALTH CARE STRATEGIES which provides management services to companies trying to reduce health care costs. Their services could be in demand during the economic slowdown, says Van Voorhis. The stock will come to market around $10-$12 with a low P/E. (CNN "Business Day", 10/26)

"The market is as oversold as it ever gets," says BERNARD SCHAEFER at the "Options Advisor." He has been encouraged by a "major positive divergence" in the Dow Utilities and says the market is looking at a "potentially historic buying opportunity right here." His advice: buy the AT&T Jan. 30 call because "the entire telephone group is oversold and due for a rally." (CNBC "World Business", 10/26)

"If you look at the valuation of PFIZER compared to the other 13 blue-chip drug firms, Pfizer even at this new- high ground is still selling at a discount," says WEDBUSH MORGAN's DAVID SAKS. The stock closed yesterday at 77 3/8, down slightly from its all-time high of 79 1/4 set earlier this week. ("Investor's Daily", 10/26)

"Whenever we get something like last week, we are sellers of the weaker issues " says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA of GRUNTAL & CO. "We were sellers of technology stocks last week. We were sellers in some of the retailing last week. .... Now in this week, as the prices recede, in certain areas we would be buyers, like the pharmaceuticals, for example. So you buy on weakness in the good groups to accumulate over time for a rally in 1991 and you sell into strength the weaker holdings you have." He says some of the paper stocks look

attractive to Gruntal, along with FORD, GENERAL MOTORS, DuPONT and WESTINGHOUSE. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/25)

GENERAL MOTORS' new Saturn cars went on sale yesterday. The buyer response? "We've been busy as a one-legged man in a butt-kicking contest," says MIKE CRISWELL, sales director at SATURN OF CLEARWATER [Fla.]. He says the dealer sold 13 cars, whereas the average is about five. ("USA Today", 10/26)

WILLIAM HAY, head of DUNDEE PARTNERS, who sees the Dow climbing to 3000 by June lists a dozen stocks for DAN DORFMAN in "USA Today" that he thinks will soar in the next nine to 12 months. They are: PEPSICO, HUMANA, COLGATE-PALMOLIVE, H.J. HEINZ, ABBOTT LABS, WAL-MART, J&J, MERCK & CO., DAYTON HUDSON, SCHLUMBERGER, BRISTOL- MYERS SQUIBB and GILLETTE. ("USA Today", 10/26)

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OXNARD, CA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Ventura County National Bancorp (NASDAQ: VCNB) today reported that its net income for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased nearly 71 percent and 37 percent over the respective periods of 1989.

Ventura's earnings for the 1990 third quarter were $1,369,000 or $0.28 per share, compared with $801,000 or $0.21 per share for the same three months of last year. For the first nine months of 1990, the company recorded earnings of $2,914,000 or $0.60 per share, up from $2,133,000 or $0.57 per share. The company attributed the increases to higher interest income and noninterest income related both to internal growth and the acquisition of Frontier Bank, N.A. and Westco Savings Bank.

William E. McAleer, president and chief executive officer, noted "Our positive year-to-year comparisons particularly reflect the contributions made by Frontier Bank, which we acquired in October 1989, and Westco Savings Bank, whose deposits were acquired in the second quarter of this year."

The 1990 third quarter results represented an annualized return on average assets of 1.04 percent and return on average equity of 15.58 percent.

Net interest income was $5,224,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $3,470,000 for the third quarter of 1989. For the recent nine months, net interest income rose to $14,350,000, from $10,044,000 in the same 1989 period. A higher level of interest-earning assets and wider net interest margins were primarily responsible for the increases. Noninterest income advanced to $3,630,000 from $651,000 comparing the quarters ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively, and totaled $5,079,000 for the recent nine months versus $1,628,000 for the same period of last year. The advance in noninterest income was largely due to profits from secondary market activities involving the real estate portfolio.

Noninterest expense was $6,261,000 and $14,108,000 for the third quarter and nine months of 1990, compared with $2,614,000 and $7,617,000 in the respective 1989 periods. The expense increases reflected the company's expanded operations, particularly as a result of the acquisitions.

McAleer noted that Ventura continued to maintain high asset quality. Nonperforming assets represented only 0.80 percent of loans at Sept. 30, 1990, and net charge-offs were equivalent to 0.04 percent of average loans for the nine months to-date.

Ventura had shareholders' equity of $26,731,000 at the end of the recent quarter, equivalent to book value of $5.57 per share, and the primary capital ratio was 6.72 percent.

Total assets were $400.9 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $243.1 million one year ago. Net loans amounted to $281.6 million, up from $178.7 million at Sept. 30, 1989; while deposits totaled $344.9 million at the end of the 1990 third quarter, rising from $209.8 million for the same period last year.

Ventura County National Bancorp is the holding company for Ventura County National Bank, founded in 1982, and the La Palma-based Frontier Bank, N.A., acquired in October 1989. These two commercial banks offer services to middle market businesses, their owners and select professionals in southern California.

VENTURA COUNTY NATIONAL BANCORP EARNINGS SUMMARY
(Dollars in thousands, except per share)
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net interest income	$ 5,224	$ 3,470	$ 14,350	$ 10,044
Provision for possible loan losses	180	150	343	430
Noninterest income	3,630	651	5,079	1,628
Noninterest expense	6,261	2,614	14,108	7,617
Pretax income	2,413	1,357	4,978	3,625
Income tax	1,044	556	2,064	1,492
Net income	$ 1,369	$ 801	$ 2,914	$ 2,133
Earnings per share	$ 0.28	$ 0.21	$ 0.60	$ 0.57

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WALTHAM, MASS (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Process Systems, Inc. (AMEX: TPI) has received a contract exceeding $1 million to provide soil-treatment services for the U.S. Air Force at Fort MacDill in Tampa, Fla. The work will be conducted by the company's TPS Technologies Inc. subsidiary using one of its mobile soil-remediation units.

TPS will thermally treat approximately 21,000 tons of soil saturated with gasoline and diesel fuel at the site of an old fire training pit at the base. The cleanup effort is expected to begin in November. Fort MacDill is the primary installation for the Air Force's Tactical Air Command, now stationed in the Mideast.

According to Jeffery Powell, vice president of sales and marketing for TPS Technologies, "This contract represents our first major cleanup of a site owned by the federal government. With numerous underground tanks and other possible sources of soil contamination at military installations across the country, cleanup of these sites could become a significant market for our services."

Thermo Process Systems designs, manufactures, and sells advanced custom-engineered thermal-processing systems for the incineration of hazardous wastes and the automated heat treating of metal parts. The company also provides services for the on-site remediation of hazardous wastes and petroleum-laden soils, in addition to a comprehensive range of metallurgical processes. Thermo Process Systems is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

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HARRISBURG, PA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Bell of Pennsylvania asked the Public Utility Commission to dismiss a complaint requesting that the company be fined $1.1 million.

The complaint was initiated recently by the commission's Bureau of Consumer Services, which cited the company for allegedly violating the commission's Chapter 64 regulations that govern billing, collection, and service ordering procedures.

"Bell has acted at all times fairly, honestly and in good faith in its dealings with its residential customers, and has at all times sought to implement the purpose and policy of Chapter 64," the company said in its response to the complaint.

The complaint claims the company violated the commission's regulations 367

times between 1987 and 1989. During this same time period, the company had more than 30 million individual customer contacts.

The BCS asked that the company be fined three times for each alleged violation or $3,000 for each violation. The company said it considers this request to be "unreasonable, excessive, improperly cumulative, and unfairly discriminatory."

Bill Harral, vice president of regulatory and financial matters, said, "We have worked diligently to comply with a very complex set of regulations. After months of tedious negotiations with the BCS, we feel that this issue can only be resolved by this course of action."

CONTACT: Saul Kohler of Bell of Pennsylvania, (717) 255-4181.

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RIVIERA BEACH, FL (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Consulier Engineering, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSLR) (the "company") (formerly Consulier Industries, Inc.) of Riviera Beach, Fla., announced today that it has extended the exercise period of certain of its outstanding warrants to Dec. 31, 1991. The exercise period of the warrants, issued in connection with an initial public offering of company common stock in May, 1989, was due to expire on Nov. 15, 1990. Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock at a price of $.60 per share. Apart from the extension of the exercise period, all other provisions of the warrants will remain in full force and effect.

Consulier Engineering, Inc.'s common stock and warrants trade on the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbols CSLR and CSLRW, respectively.

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PARSIPPANY, NJ (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Armco Inc.'s (NYSE: AS) board of directors today declared a quarterly dividend of ten cents per share of common stock, payable Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record Nov. 9, 1990.

The board also declared a dividend on each of the two classes of Armco preferred stock of: 52.5 cents per share of $2.10 cumulative convertible preferred stock, Class A, payable Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 30, 1990; and $1.125 per share of $4.50 cumulative convertible preferred stock, Class B, payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Lee Bland of Armco, (201) 316-5266.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - John Radsiwill, Pierre L. Schoenheimer and Matthew P. Sheppard (the Group), all directors and officers of Radix Ventures, Inc. (the Corporation), have today commenced a tender offer to purchase 100,000 shares of the common stock $.01 par value, of the corporation (formerly Lewis Total Marketing Group, Inc.) at $4.50 per share net. The tender offer will expire on Nov. 26, 1990 unless extended. The tender offer is not conditional upon any minimum number of shares being tendered. The group has reserved the right to purchase shares in excess of 100,000.

The group collectively currently own approximately 56.6 percent of the issued outstanding shares of common stock of the corporation. Assuming that the tender offer is successfully completed for 100,000 shares, the group will beneficially own approximately 69.6 percent of the corporation's common stock. The exchange agent for the tender offer is Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, 212-406-2740.

CONTACT: Pierre L. Schoenheimer, 212-697-9141, or Matthew P. Sheppard, 213-338-2400, both of Radix Ventures

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HOUSTON (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Anadarko Petroleum Corporation (NYSE: APC) today declared its quarterly dividend of seven and one-half cents per share of common stock. The dividend is payable Dec. 12, 1990 to stockholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990. The amount of future dividends for Anadarko will depend on earnings, financial condition, capital requirements and other factors, and will be determined by the directors on a quarterly basis.

Company: Anadarko Petroleum Corporation Record Date: Nov. 30, 1990 Payment Date: Dec. 12, 1990 Amount: $0.075 per common share

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#90299p0019 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Edwin L. Cox Company and URCARCO, Inc. (NASDAQ: CARS), announced today the formation of a corporate joint venture for the purpose of operating "we finance" used car lots under the URCARCO name in the state of California.

The corporate joint venture, named Pacific Automart, Inc., will be owned 50 percent by URCARCO and 50 percent by the Cox Group. The initial equity

capitalization of the corporate joint venture will be $30 million and will be provided by the Cox Group participants and URCARCO, subject to certain regulatory filings and approvals. The Cox Group is composed of Edwin L. Cox Sr.; Berry R. Cox; a Mashek Family Trust; Cazenove & Co., a prominent London-based investment banking firm; and John C. Whitehead, former senior partner of Goldman, Sachs & Co. and former Deputy Secretary of State.

J. Oliver McGonigle, president of the Cox Company, will be chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Pacific Automart, Inc.

Edwin L. Cox Company is an affiliate of Edwin L. Cox Sr., a prominent Dallas businessman who built Cox Oil and Gas, Inc., into one of the nation's largest independent companies in that industry. As a prominent investor in emerging companies, he was an early investor in such companies as ChemLawn and Federal Express. Cox has served on the boards of 13 U.S. corporations and currently serves on the board of directors of Halliburton Corp. Formerly chairman of the boards of Keebler Company and SEDCO, Inc., Cox has also served as chairman of the board of trustees of Southern Methodist University, and is currently on the advisory board of the SMU Edwin L. Cox School of Business.

URCARCO, Inc., operates a chain of 20 used car retail lots in Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, and Austin, Texas, selling quality used passenger cars and light trucks and typically financing customer purchases. During its 1990 fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, URCARCO sold 18,692 vehicles. The California corporate joint venture will be URCARCO's first business expansion outside the state of Texas.

CONTACT: Henry T. Stanley, 817-882-7008, or Robyn B. Trent, 817-882-7018, both of URCARCO; or Gary Coppinger of Edwin L. Cox Company, 214-220-3636

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - American Financial Corporation ("AFC") announced that the company's board of directors has declared semi-annual dividends of $.50 per share on its Series D and Series E preferred stock, and $.90 per share on its Series F preferred stock. The dividends are payable on Dec. 3 to holders of record on Nov. 15.

AFC said that there are 14 million of these preferred shares outstanding, and that the $11.5 million dividend will be paid to approximately 7,800 preferred shareholders.

AFC is a Cincinnati-based holding company with subsidiaries engaged in property and casualty insurance, annuity programs, savings and loan activities food products operations, television and radio station operations and entertainment production and distribution. AFC also owns a significant portion of the voting equity securities of several publicly owned companies.

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COLUMBIA, S.C. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - SCANA Corporation (NYSE: SCG) announced today that its acquisition of Peoples Natural Gas Company of South Carolina (Peoples) under a merger agreement dated May 15, 1990 was completed on October 25, 1990. SCANA will issue approximately 585,900 shares of its common stock in exchange for the outstanding shares of Peoples' common and Class A stock. The total value of the transaction is approximately $19 million.

The merger agreement was approved by Peoples' common stockholders at a special meeting held September 12, 1990. The Public Service Commission of South Carolina has authorized the transfer of Peoples operating authority to SCANA and approved an operating agreement between SCANA and South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G), SCANA's principal subsidiary, under which SCE&G will operate the Peoples system as a part of its gas operations group.

Peoples is a regulated public utility headquartered in Florence, S.C. Its service area is contiguous to SCE&G's and includes approximately 9,600 natural gas customers in the cities of Florence, Darlington, Hartsville and Sumter, S.C. and surrounding areas. Peoples has a wholly-owned subsidary, Supertane Gas Company, which is engaged in the sale and distribution of liquefied petroleum gas to approximately 4,200 customers in a seven-county area of the state. The addition of Peoples represents a strategic extension of SCANA's utility operations in South Carolina.

SCANA Corporation, headquartered in Columbia, S.C., is a diversified holding company with approximately 4,400 employees and annual revenues of approximately $1.1 billion. SCE&G is a regulated utility that serves approximately $443,000 electric and 214,000 retail natural gas customers in portions of South Carolina.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - QuesTech Research Division announced that it has been awarded a three-year contract for $4,157,880 to provide engineering and technical support to the Avionics Laboratory, Wright Research and Development Center, AFSC, WPAFB, Ohio.

The work will be performed in QuesTech's Dayton facility.

CONTACT: Vincent L. Salvatori, president and CEO, QuesTech, Inc., 703-760-1005

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - BP America and members of the Ohio Chemical Recyclers Association will be presenting donations of $18,000 toward the purchase of the county's command and communications vehicle at the Oct. 29 Cuyahoga County Commissioner's board meeting.

Presenting BP America's donation of $10,000 will be F.G. Garibaldi, vice president, emergency preparedness, and J.R. Thomas, retail district manager, BP Oil.

Dorothy Ellington, environmental compliance manager, Research Oil Co.; Robert Hukill, president, Hukill Chemical Corp.; Ronald Forster, vice president, operations, Chemical Solvents Inc., Chuck Reiterer, president, Merit Environmental Management; and Phil Stapf, president, North East Chemical Co., all of whom are members of the Ohio Chemical Recyclers Association, will present a check for $8,000.

These checks combined with other pledges, have brought total donations to more than 60 percent of Cuyahoga County's $60,000 goal, according to Olmsted Falls Fire Chief William Fisher, chairman of the fundraising committee.

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MURRAY HILL, NJ (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The BOC Group, the parent company of Airco Gases, has initiated a new program called BOC Spectra 100 to underscore its commitment to serving the worldwide electronics industry.

For BOC - a global supplier of gases with annual sales of more than $5 billion - BOC Spectra 100 provides a focused approach to helping semiconductor producers meet increasingly demanding production requirements.

"With our BOC Spectra 100 program, The BOC Group plans to become the leading supplier to the world semiconductor industry," says Pat Dyer, managing director and chief executive, gases, for The BOC Group.

One indication of BOC's international presence and broad range of capabilities in the electronics area is today's announcement that Fujitsu Microelectronics has selected BOC to supply high-purity gases to its new semiconductor plant at Newton Aycliffe, in the U.K. BOC, which already serves Fujitsu's Gresham, Oregon semiconductor facility, will also install and operate an advanced gas storage and pipeline distribution system at the new British facility.

Electronics is the fastest growing sector of The BOC Group's business. It currently accounts for ten percent of the company's total revenue; spending for electronics R&D and facilities represents approximately 15 percent of total expenditures in the gases business.

BOC Spectra 100 is an integrated effort that draws together the entire spectrum of BOC's activities relating to the electronics sector. John Walsh, vice president, Group Electronic Gases, explains, "The name BOC Spectra 100 was chosen to designate the drive towards 100 percent purity of the gases supplied and BOC's 100 percent effort devoted to supplying semiconductor customers - 100 percent of the time."

The BOC Spectra 100 program reflects the increasingly important role gases - and state-of-the-art gas technology - are playing in the production of semiconductors. Semiconductor makers use gases both as production atmospheres and as process dopants.

Ultra-high levels of gas purity and consistency of composition are critical to attaining high yields, as semiconductor producers continue their drive to manufacture higher density semiconductor chips - progressing from four megabits, to 16 Mbit, to 64 Mbit.

BOC Spectra 100 encompasses the full range of capabilities in the electronics area. The breadth of electronic gases activities under the BOC Spectra 100 banner meshes with semiconductor makers' interest in total systems capabilities. BOC will provide products, equipment and services in any combination - as individual components, or as fully integrated packages that meet all gas requirements at semiconductor facilities.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Medicis Pharmaceutical Corp. (NASDAQ: MDRXA, MDRXU), a company specializing in dermatological products and critical medicine, "has successfully launched and has begun shipping its prescription product line with sales for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 expected to exceed $1 million," Jonah Shacknai, chairman and chief executive officer told shareholders at the company's annual meeting here today.

"Medicis is meeting the internal goals it has set, having completed the hiring of its national sales and marketing force and launching its prescription product line," Shacknai said. "The Medicis sales team is now actively marketing to dermatologists and has made significant penetration among drug wholesalers and retail pharmacists. With $1 million in sales recorded in just the last two weeks of the first fiscal quarter, we have exceeded our expectations," he added.

Medicis Pharmaceutical Corp. went public on March 28, 1990 with the intention of using a substantial portion of the proceeds of the offering to build a sales and marketing organization.

Medicis' principal focus is the $2 billion dermatology market where its has developed high quality, innovative products. The company's prescription products include a unique acne care line which includes Theramycin(TM) Z, a topical antibiotic that combines erythromycin and zinc, and BenzaShave(TM), a prescription shaving product used in the treatment of pseudofolliculitis barbae (razor bumps); Paplex(TM) Ultra, a family of products to treat common and plantar warts; and Onyplex, a nail hardener and bite deterrent. Next month Medicis will launch its Theraplex(TM) family of therapeutic moisturizers and shampoos.

Recently, Medicis announced that it has been granted an exclusive worldwide license to market, when approved, a generic prescription form of Tretinoin, a topical vitamin A derivative used in the treatment of acne. Tretinoin is currently being marketed by Johnson & Johnson's Ortho Pharmaceutical Corp. under the trade name Retin-A(R).

In addition, Medicis is in stage III clinical with its photo chemoprotective sun care product, Bergasol(R). Bergasol which to date has sold over 42 million units in Europe, stimulates the production of Melanin thereby promoting deep tanning, while reducing sun burning and DNA damage which contributes to the formation of skin cancer.

CONTACT: Jonah Shacknai, chairman and CEO, or Peter S. Knight, general counsel, both of Medicis, 212-599-2000 or, at the Grand Hyatt Hotel, 212-883-1234, ext. 1351

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#90299p0037 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANDOVER, MA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Andover Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: ANDB) today announced its operating results for the third quarter of 1990. The Bancorp's assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $672 million. As of the same date, the Bancorp's capital was $91.3 million, with a capital to assets ratio of 13.6 percent.

For the third quarter, Andover Bancorp had a net loss of $3.2 million or 77 cents per share compared to net income of $1,660,000 or 38 cents per share for the corresponding period in 1989. The quarter's results included a net loss, before the effect of taxes, on the sale and write down of securities and the sale of loans, amounting to $710,000, compared to a net gain of $709,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The net loss also included a quarterly loan loss provision of $2 million, a loss on real estate operations of $2.1 million and the write off of merger related expenses of $1.3 million.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the net loss amounted to $2.3 million or 56 cents per share, compared to net income of $4.6 million or $1.02 per share for the corresponding period of 1989. The 1990 year-to-date loss included a net loss on the sale and write down of securities and the sale of loans, amounting to $423,000, compared to a net gain of $1.1 million during the first nine months of 1989. Included in the 1990 year-to-date results was a loan loss provision of $5.1 million and a loss on real estate operations of $2.2 million.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the bank's non-performing assets totalled $39.6 million, compared to $39.1 million at June 30, 1990 and $27.6 million at Dec. 31, 1989. Net charge-offs for the current quarter were $1.4 million compared to $827,000 in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net charge-offs amounted to $4.4. million, compared to $1.1 million for the corresponding period of 1989.

Robert M. Henderson, chairman and chief executive officer, stated that "The loss for the third quarter was a result of a variety of factors including a loss on the sale of property acquired through foreclosure and the write down of certain investments to their estimated current market value. Also included in the third quarter was the write off of costs relating to the proposed merger with First Essex Bancorp, which was terminated by both parties on Oct. 10, 1990. In light of the continuing deterioration in the real estate market and the New England economy, additional loan loss provisions were deemed necessary. Despite the results for the current quarter, Andover Bancorp continues to have a capital to assets ratio that is well in excess of all current and proposed regulatory requirements."

Andover Bancorp, Inc. is the parent bank holding company of Andover Bank. Andover Bank is a FDIC/DIFM insured Massachusetts chartered savings bank organized in 1834 and headquartered in Andover, Mass., approximately 25 miles

north of downtown Boston. The bank operates branch banking offices in West Andover, Lawrence, Methuen, North Andover and Tewksbury, Mass. Andover Bancorp's annual shareholder meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 19, at 10 a.m. at the Andover Marriott, 123 Old River Rd., Andover, Mass.

ANDOVER BANCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Unaudited, Condensed Balance Sheets
(in thousands)

At Sept. 30	1990	1989
Investments	$142,867	$152,818
MBS held for sale	1,304	---
Loans held for sale	5,838	---
Loans, net	456,944	492,782
Other real estate owned	17,756	1,095
Other assets	47,316	37,410
Total assets	$672,025	$684,105
Deposits	$531,628	$497,256
Borrowed funds	42,350	76,519
Other liabilities	6,732	8,567
Equity	91,315	101,763
Total liabilities & equity	$672,025	$684,105

STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(in thousands)

	Quarters ended		Nine months ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Interest income	$15,939	$16,830	$48,789	$48,901
Interest expense	10,683	10,738	32,619	30,796
Net interest margin	5,256	6,092	16,170	18,105
Prov. for possible loan losses	2,009	1,243	5,104	2,854
NIM, after provision	3,247	4,849	11,066	15,251
Fee and other income	763	667	2,262	1,770
Losses on real estate operations	2,091	---	2,244	---
Securities gains (losses)	(802)	237	(666)	545
Loan sale gains	92	472	243	539
Merger expenses	1,298	---	1,298	---
Non-interest expenses	3,672	3,377	11,103	10,041
Income (loss) before taxes	(3,761)	2,848	(1,740)	8,064
Taxes (benefit)	(611)	1,188	561	3,415
Net income (loss)	($3,150)	$1,660	($2,301)	$4,649
Per share data				
Net income (loss)	(77 cents)	38 cents	(56 cents)	$1.02
Dividends declared	10 cents	20 cents	50 cents	60 cents
Book value	22.28	23.81	22.28	23.81
Shares outstanding				

At end of period	4,098,980	4,273,080	4,098,980	4,273,080
Weighted average	4,098,980	4,419,623	4,098,980	4,565,735

CONTACT: James E. McCobb, Jr, president and chief operating officer of Andover Bancorp, 508-475-6103

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TULSA, OK (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Because of charges incurred by one of its natural gas pipeline systems, The Williams Companies, Inc. (NYSE: WMB) today reported an unaudited net loss of $15.3 million, or 44 cents per share, in the third quarter that ended Sept. 30.

The loss compares with a net income of $5 million, or 6 cents per share, in the same quarter of 1989. This quarter's results included a $10 million favorable credit for income taxes because Williams and the Internal Revenue Service settled audits through 1987.

Joseph H. Williams, chairman and chief executive officer of the $4.1-billion digital telecommunications and energy transportation corporation, said third-quarter revenues were $349 million, compared with $326 million for the same quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $24.8 million, or 39 cents per share, compared with net income of $29.1 million, or 64 cents per share, during the same period in 1989.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $1.3 billion, compared with $1.2 billion for the same period in 1989.

Williams Telecommunications Group, Inc. reported a third-quarter operating profit of $20.5 million, compared with $16.8 million in the same quarter last year. Revenues were $96.2 million vs. $82.1 million for the quarter in 1989.

The 22-percent improvement in operating profit was due to increased revenues.

Annualized net interexchange revenues were $245 million at the end of the third quarter, compared with $255 million at the end of the second quarter of this year, reflecting price declines and the effects of a new contract with MCI Communications Corp.

WilTel achieved an operating profit of $57.8 million for the first nine months vs. $42.7 million for the same period in 1989. Revenues for the first nine months of this year were $274 million, compared with $216 million for the same period in 1989.

WilTel signed a major capacity exchange agreement with MCI in August following

the merger of MCI and Telecom-USA, Inc., at the time WilTel's two largest customers.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Franklin R. Saul, president of Emigrant Savings Bank in New York City, was elected to the board of directors of USLIFE Corporation (NYSE: USH). The announcement was made today by Gordon E. Crosby, Jr., chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of USLIFE.

Saul has been president of Emigrant Savings Bank since 1978. Previously, he served in several senior executive positions and was elected to the board of trustees of Emigrant in 1976. Prior to Emigrant, he was senior vice president and director of F. S. Smithers & Co. From 1968 to 1969, he was manager at Lehman Brothers. He also served as assistant to the Secretary of the U.S. Treasury Department from 1965 to 1966. From 1953 to 1965, he was a vice president with Citibank.

Franklin R. Saul previously served on the board of directors of The United States Life Insurance Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of USLIFE Corporation since May 1988. In addition, he also served since October 1984 on the board of USLIFE Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: UIF), a closed-end investment company whose portfolio is managed by USLIFE Advisers, Inc., another subsidiary of USLIFE Corporation.

Born in Belleville, N.J., Saul received his B.S. degree in economics in 1951 from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. In 1962, Saul graduated from the Stonier Graduate School of Banking at Rutgers University.

From 1951 to 1953, he was a first lieutenant with the United States Army Reserve Transportation Corps.

Saul is married to the former Elayne Robinson and they currently reside in Essex Fells, N.J. They have two children, F. Robert, Jr. and Marilyn Elayne.

CONTACT: Richard P. Keating, vice president-corporate communications of USLIFE Corporation, 212-709-6227

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CHICAGO (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines today announced that Rono Dutta has been elected vice president - financial planning and analysis effective immediately.

In his new position, Dutta will be responsible for four key functions within United's Finance Division: financial analysis, financial planning, methods and standards and operations research. He will continue to be based at United's corporate headquarters in suburban Chicago.

Dutta, 39, will succeed Louis J. Valerio who was promoted earlier this week to senior vice president - finance. Dutta will report to Valerio, who in turn reports to J.C. Pope, executive vice president - marketing and finance.

A five-year United employee, Dutta has served as director of flight crew resources in its Flight Operations division for the past three years. In that position, Dutta was responsible for planning manpower and training needs for United's 7,000-pilot work force and for managing the overall Flight Operations division budget.

Prior to joining United, Dutta served as the manager of planning for Bell & Howell in Chicago in 1984 and 1985 and as a management consultant with the firm of Booz, Allen and Hamilton in Chicago from 1980 to 1984.

A native of Calcutta, India, Dutta earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology in Kharagpur, India. He earned a master's degree in business administration from the Harvard Business School in 1980. He and his wife, Sree, have two children.

CONTACT: Joe Hopkins, 708-952-5770 or Sara Dornacker, 708-952-6561 or (at night) 708-952-4088, both of United

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) said today that Unit No. 3 at the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station will be taken off line early Saturday for a scheduled mid-cycle outage for testing and maintenance.

PE said the primary purpose of the outage is to complete surveillance testing necessary to permit the unit to continue operation until its next refueling outage, scheduled for Aug. 31, 1991. PE said Unit 3, which was restarted in December 1989 after a 2 1/2-year shutdown, achieved several superior operating marks to date during 1990:

- It's availability factor (time on line) was 94.4 percent, which is, according to the General Electric Co., the fifth best mark this year among the world's 49 boiling water reactors.
- It's capacity factor (percent of total possible generation) was 90 percent.

During the year, PE said, the unit has produced 6.6 billion kilowatt-hours (kwh) of electricity for its owners. The fuel cost to generate this amount of

electricity by nuclear power was approximately $170 million less than the cost would have been to produce the same amount of electricity with oil-fired generation. In addition to achieving superior operating marks, the company's 900 workers at the plant also achieved an all-time safety record.

On Sept. 29, according to Donald B. Miller Jr., PE vice president for Peach Bottom, workers surpassed three million man-hours without a lost-time accident dating back to December 1988, eclipsing by far any previous safety record at the plant.

"I'm proud of our plant and the people who operate it," Miller said. "Their outstanding achievements during 1990 clearly indicate they are dedicated to doing their jobs correctly and doing them safely."

He pointed out that both prior to the plant's restart in 1989 after being shut down for more than two years, and since, "many hundreds of extremely difficult maintenance and testing tasks have been performed in accordance with our exacting NRC licensing requirements and our own radiological safety demands.

"However," he added, "despite our fine performance thus far, we fully recognize the need to continue to seek improvement in all aspects of our operation. Our goal is to demonstrate, over the long haul, that we truly are a world class nuclear power plant."

Miller said the mid-cycle outage on Unit 3 will entail more than 700 tasks, including surveillance testing, maintenance and plant modifications. The unit is scheduled to return to service during the week of Nov. 19. The plant's other reactor, Unit 2, will continue to operate during the Unit 3 outage.

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SUGAR LAND, TX (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Imperial Holly Corporation (AMEX: IHK) today reported net income of $3,499,000, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $193,059,000 for its second fiscal quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990. Results for the corresponding quarter last year were net income of $3,097,000, or $0.33 per share, on revenues of $186,346,000. Six months year-to-date results are revenues of $372,032,000, net income of $8,924,000, and earnings per share of $0.88. Comparable fiscal 1990 results were revenues of $363,334,000, net income of $7,226,000, and earnings per share of $0.77.

Although earnings for the quarter exceed last year's reported results, when adjustment is made for the ESOP expense experienced last year, this year's second quarter earnings of $0.35 per share trailed last year's adjusted earnings of $0.47 per share. These results are due principally to a less than expected quality of beet processed during the fall campaign in California.

Extraordinarily high summer temperatures, exceeding 110 degrees for several days in some important growing areas, caused a high incidence of rot in the beets and promoted various beet infections resulting in increased processing costs. Also contributing to the quarter's increased costs, albeit to a lesser extent, was the completion of development of Sales Trac(TM), Imperial Holly's automated order entry system, the cost of which has been expensed as incurred, and the relocation of Holly personnel transferred to the company's corporate offices in Sugar Land.

IMPERIAL HOLLY CORPORATION
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Six Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$193,059,000	$186,346,000	$372,032,000	$363,334,000
Net income	$ 3,499,000	$ 3,097,000(B)	$ 8,924,000	$ 7,226,000(A)
Net inc. per com. share	$0.35	$0.33(B)	$0.88	$0.77(A)
Aver. com. shares outstg.	10,124,742	9,435,939	10,120,054	9,435,939

(A) -- Includes a pretax charge of $2,494,000 ($1,646,000 after tax or $0.17 per share) resulting from the amortization of the company's contribution to its ESOP.

(B) -- Includes a pretax charge of $2,096,000 ($1,383,000 after tax or $0.14 per share) resulting from the amortization of the company's contribution to its ESOP.

CONTACT: James Kempner, executive vice president and chief financial officer of Imperial Holly, 713-491-9181

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SOUTHINGTON, CONN. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Ralph G. Mann, president and chief executive officer of Southington Savings Bank (NASDAQ: SSBB), reports an unaudited net loss for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $128,000 as compared to net income of $661,000 for the same quarter of 1989. Net loss per share for the quarter totaled 7 cents as compared to net income of 36 cents in 1989.

Unaudited net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $274,000 as compared to net income of $2,090,000 for the same nine months of 1989. Loss per share for the nine months was 15 cents as compared to net income of $1.14 for the same period of 1989.

President Mann noted that during the first nine months of the year, $2,335,000

has been added to the banks's loan loss reserve as compared to $310,000 for the same period in 1989; the main cause for the decrease in earnings for the year. Non-performing loans have increased to $12,790,000 or 4.9 percent of total assets, as compared to $2,092,000 or .8 percent of total assets on Dec. 31, 1989.

The reserve, which is created to absorb potential loan losses, now totals $2,905,000. Actual loan charge-offs for the quarter were $45,000.

Should the Connecticut's economy remain weak, the bank's capital of 11.8 percent is sufficient to sustain the further increase.

Shareholders equity totaled $30,927,000 and represents a book value of $16.92 per share. Total outstanding shares as of Sept. 30, 1990, were 1,827,992.

The bank's assets totaled $261,958,000 on Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to $251,975,000 on Dec. 31, 1989.

CONTACT: Elizabeth F. McKeon, senior vice president of Southington Savings Bank, 203-628-0351

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#90299p0055 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Republic Bank, with offices here at 1515 Market St., today announced profits of $60,132 for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares to a loss of $38,665 for the same period in 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the bank earned a profit of $135,681 vs. a loss of $193,527 for the period last year.

In addition, total assets increased in the third quarter to $48,458,000, up from $45,134,000 as of June 30, 1990, and $34,738,000 as of Sept. 30, 1989.

Also, Republic reported that loans increased to $32,412,000 from $30,787,000 as of June 30, 1990, and $18,326,000 as of Sept. 30, 1989.

"As the numbers reflect, we continue to grow in all areas of the bank in a very positive manner," stated Rolf A. Stensrud, president and chief executive officer of Republic Bank. "We look to the balance of 1990 with conservative optimism continuing to grow in a manner to create long-term value for the shareholders."

Republic bank specializes in commercial and consumer banking services for small businessmen and individual depositors. In addition to checking and savings accounts, Republic offers consumer and commercial lending services. State chartered under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, a member

of the Federal Reserve, it also is a member of the MAC Network.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - John K. Ziegler, chairman of Willcox & Gibbs Inc. (NYSE: WG), today announced that sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, rose to $145,168,000 and earnings declined to $3,395,000 compared with sales of $135,975,000 and earnings of $4,123,000 for the same quarter in the prior year. Net earnings per share were $.25 compared with $.30 for the comparable 1989 period.

Ziegler stated that the sales of Consolidated Electric, the company's electrical supply division, continued to show increases compared with the prior year and for the first nine months sales have increased about 8 percent over the prior year. Ziegler attributes this exceptional performance in the face of a soft construction industry to the fact that many of the company's electrical supply houses are located in areas of continuing growth.

Net income for the nine months, before unusual charges after-tax of $2,040,000 declined to $10,256,000 compared with $13,070,000 in the same period in 1989. Net earnings per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, after the $2,040,000 charge, were $.60 compared with $.95 for the same period in 1989. Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $423,335,000 in 1990 compared with $408,208,000 in the year earlier period.

Ziegler stated that the unusual charges recorded in the first quarter of 1990 consisted of a provision for estimated expenses resulting from a planned restructuring in several divisions of the company.

The 1990 quarter includes the results for Filix Lastex, SA, a French manufacturer of covered yarn acquired in August 1990. The one-month sales included in the quarter for this acquisition were $6,093,000.

Ziegler further stated that the covered yarn division, excluding Filix Lastex, SA, and the company's apparel parts and supplies division continued to record decreases in both sales and earnings. These declines are due to general economic conditions and to the tightening of inventories by manufacturers, retailers and wholesalers.

Willcox & Gibbs is a distributor of industrial parts and supplies and a specialty manufacturer of covered yarn.

CONTACT: Richard J. Mackey, president of Willcox & Gibbs, 212-869-1800

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#90299p0059 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

RIVERDALE, IL (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Acme Steel Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: ACME) has signed a letter of intent to acquire, for cash, equipment, inventory, and certain related technology for the manufacture of metallic strapping tools and parts from the Interlake Packaging Corp., Oak Forest, Ill.

Acme, one of the nation's leading producers of steel strapping and tools, will relocate the equipment and inventory from Interlake's Sumter, S.C., plant to its New Britain, Conn., plant. It will be consolidated with Acme's existing tool and part-making operations there.

"This acquisition will not only give Acme ownership of a tool line that Acme has sold since 1986, but it will open important new markets for us," explained Brian W.H. Marsden, Acme's president and chief executive officer.

"We view this as an important step in our strategy to grow in the packaging industry. This investment will insure our ability to supply tools and parts to our steel strapping customers and at the same time provide increased productivity as a result of consolidation," Marsden added.

In 1989, steel strapping and tools represented 34 percent of total Acme sales, up from 32 percent the previous year.

The acquisition includes the existing tool line and also encompasses exclusive long-term agreements to manufacture and supply strapping tools and parts to certain Interlake operations.

"The additional sales generated by these agreements will be a substantial increase to our packaging tool sales," Marsden pointed out.

Production is scheduled to begin in New Britain by the end of January 1991. The purchased inventory of tools and parts will meet customer sales and service demands during the equipment relocation and installation process.

Employment at Acme's New Britain plant will increase from approximately 100 employees today to nearly 150 when the new equipment is in operation.

In addition to the New Britain facility, Acme has steel strapping operations in Riverdale; Pittsburg, Calif.; and Leeds, Ala.

Acme Steel Co. is a fully integrated producer of steel, steel strapping and tools, steel tubing and pipe, and automobile and light truck jacks.

CONTACT: Donald M. McMahon or Charles A. Nekvasil of Acme Steel, 708-849-2500 or Dean Dranias or Audrey Lowe of the Financial Relations Board, 312-266-7800 for Acme Steel

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#90299p0061 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MI (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Interface Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: INTF) will report record revenue and reduced earnings for fiscal 1990, Carl L. Bixby, the company's president and board chairman, announced today.

According to Bixby, revenue for the year, which ended on Sept. 30 for the company, will be approximately $37 million, an increase of about 15 percent from $32 million last year. Net income will be approximately $1.9 million, or $0.44 per share, down from $2.9 million, or $0.67 per share, for fiscal 1989.

Interface Systems is a diversified manufacturer of high-technology products. The company and its subsidiaries manufacture industrial-grade computers and computer terminals, called industrial workstations; plug- compatible printers for IBM mainframe and midrange computer systems; PC-to-mainframe data communications systems; and custom printed circuit boards.

Bixby attributed much of the company's fiscal 1990 earnings decline to disappointing revenue performance. He said that the company's estimated fourth-quarter revenue of $8.5 million was lower than anticipated, especially in the industrial workstation area. This helped restrict fourth-quarter net income to approximately $200,000, or $0.04 per share, compared to $458,725, or $0.11 per share, for the same period last year.

Bixby noted, "Our earnings have been impacted largely because we have continued to invest heavily in new product development and market penetration for future growth and profitability, even with lower-than- expected revenue due to a sluggish market."

On the positive side, said Bixby, large tax refunds from prior years were used to offset obsolete or slow-moving inventories, preparing the company for higher profitability in the future.

Bixby added that, in spite of widespread economic concerns, he expects the company to achieve substantial revenue and earnings gains in fiscal 1991. "We especially look for a revival of our industrial workstation business because of our new product introductions and new market penetration," he said.

CONTACT: Carl L. Bixby of Interface Systems, Inc., 313-769-5900

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#90299p0066 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Rollins Environmental Services Inc. (NYSE, PSE: REN) board of directors today declared a quarterly cash dividend on common stock of 2-1/4 cents per share payable on Dec. 20, 1990, to

shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 20.

The company is a technological leader for commercial incineration in the chemical waste treatment and disposal industry and operates facilities in Baton Rouge and Plaquemine, La., Bridgeport, N.J.; and Deer Park, Texas.

Chempak treatment and disposal services for small quantity generators of hazardous waste are provided through offices located in Delaware, North Carolina, Michigan, Illinois, Louisiana, Texas, New Mexico, and California.

The company also operates waste processing, recycling and repackaging facilities in Tipton, Mo., and Los Angeles, and a major laboratory facility in Ann Arbor, Mich.

CONTACT: Harold Castle, vp and treasurer of Rollins Environmental, (302) 479-3455.

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#90299p0067 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS) announced today that its Board of Directors has authorized the repurchase of an additional five million shares of the company's common stock. The company has purchased over 825,000 shares of its stock since Aug. 1 and continues to believe repurchase of its stock is a very attractive investment.

With purchases of its common stock over the past year, the company has almost exhausted its current five million share authorization. Outstanding shares of CMS Energy Corporation common stock total 80.8 million as of Oct. 25, 1990. The shares will continue to be purchased from time to time in the open market or in private transactions at prevailing market prices.

CMS Energy Corporation is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services.

CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth-largest combination utility.

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#90299p0072 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Jostens, Inc. (NYSE: JOS) announced today the promotion of Fred D. Bjork to executive vice president of the company. He previously served as senior vice president, and will continue to serve as

president of Jostens' recently created School Products Group.

The School Products Group was created by combining Jostens' Scholastic, Printing and Publishing, and School Pictures business units. The School Products Group is the largest business unit of Jostens.

H. William Lurton, chairman and chief executive officer of Jostens, said, "Fred has been a dedicated, long-time employee of Jostens. With his experience knowledge and leadership capabilities, he continues to add depth to the strong Jostens management team for the present and for the future."

Fred Bjork has more than 30 years of experience with the company. He began with Jostens as a sale representative for the Scholastic Division in 1960. He was appointed vice president in 1975 and promoted to senior vice president of Jostens in August of 1988. He was promoted to president of Jostens School Products Group in February of this year.

Jostens, Inc. is a leading provider of products and services for the youth, education, sports award, and recognition markets. The Fortune 500 company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "JOS" and last year reported sales of $788 million.

CONTACT: Larry Bradford of Jostens, (612) 830-3218.

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#90299p0073 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROGERS, CONN. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - PaineWebber R&D Partners II, L.P. and Rogers Corporation (AMEX: ROG) have agreed to terminate the remaining portion of the financing arrangement, begun in July of 1989, under which PaineWebber was funding up to a total of $7.8 million of Rogers' development and commercialization of multichip modules (MCMs).

The decision, taken approximately one-third through the financing program, is primarily a result of the overall MCM market developing more slowly than was originally projected. Rogers will negotiate with the management of PaineWebber R&D Partners II, L.P. for the possible purchase by Rogers of the exclusive rights to the technology which has been developed.

Multichip modules package high performance integrated circuits into a configuration having a very high number of interconnections per unit area.

MCMs are one of the product lines growing out of ROHSI(R) (Rogers High-Speed Interconnections) development efforts. The commercialized ROHSI product lines are Multimetal layer TAB (Tape Automated Bonding), INVISICON(R) Interconnections, RO2800(tm) High Speed Laminates, R02500(tm) Flexible Circuit Laminates, the Isocon(R) Interconnections.

Headquartered in Rogers, Conn., Rogers Corporation manufactures a broad range of engineered materials and components for the electronics and other selected industrial markets.

PaineWebber R&D Partners II, L.P. is a limited partnership of which the general partner is PaineWebber Technologies II, L.P.

CONTACT: Robert D. Wachob of Rogers Corp., 203-774-6905

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#90299p0074 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Jostens, Inc. (NYSE: JOS) announced today the promotion of Craig Swarthout to vice president-controller for the company.

Swarthout joined Jostens in 1974 as a member of the Scholastic Division controller staff. He was made Recognition controller in 1977 and in 1985, was appointed director of operations for the Recognition Division. In 1987, Swarthout was named corporate controller.

Jostens, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, is a leading provider of products and services for the youth, education, sports award and recognition markets. The Fortune 500 company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "JOS" and last year reported sales of $788 million.

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#90299p0078 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Jostens, Inc. (NYSE: JOS) announced today the promotion of Antonio (Tony) E. W. Sago to vice president. He was appointed president and general manager of Jostens Canada, Ltd. in 1989. He will continue in that position as well.

Sago began his career with Jostens Canada in 1985 as vice president of finance. Before coming to Jostens, Sago was with Qualico Developments, first as senior controller and then as division manager of single family housing.

Don C. Lein, president of Jostens, said, "We are very fortunate to have Tony leading Jostens Canada. We are confident that he will continue to do an outstanding job."

Jostens, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, is a leading provider of products and services for the youth, education, sports award and recognition markets. The Fortune 500 company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "JOS" and last year reported sales of $788 million.

CONTACT: Larry Bradford, of Jostens, (612) 830-3218.

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#90299p0079 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, NY (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - National Fuel Gas Company (NYSE: NFG) announced today that a draft order has been approved by a vote of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) which approves a settlement filed by its pipeline subsidiary, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation, involving three rate cases and a provision that it become an open access transporter.

The order is subject to modifications, conditions and clarifications primarily on the mechanics of the company becoming an open access transporter.

Under the terms of the draft order, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation will be able to reverse the 29 cent per share charge to earnings that had been recorded in the second quarter of the fiscal year. In the second quarter, the company's reserve for refund was increased which reduced earnings by $8,274,000, or 29 cents per share.

The draft order also grants National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation a blanket certificate under FERC Order 500 which permits the company to become an "open access" transporter of natural gas.

While National Fuel has, for some time, been transporting gas on its pipeline for others, it was necessary to receive, and periodically renew, FERC approval to continue the service.

The blanket authorization to be an open access pipeline will allow the company to provide transportation service on its pipeline system for any customer.

According to company officials, this will substantially improve marketing flexibility and will enable the company to respond to changing market conditions without regulatory delay.

The order applies only to transportation of gas on the company's pipelines. Other issues such as access to capacity of upstream pipelines and the need for a gas inventory charge (GIC) have been deferred to another proceeding which is expected to be resolved during 1991.

Richard Hare, president, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation, said, "We are pleased to have this matter behind us and are especially gratified that we can now provide uninterrupted transportation service for our customers."

CONTACT: Arthur Coon, (716) 857-7925, or Donna DeCarolis (financial), (716) 857-7872, both of National Fuel Gas.

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#90299p0081 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

STATE COLLEGE, PA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Uni-Marts, Inc. (NASDAQ: UNMA A) today announced results for the fourth quarter and the 1990 fiscal year.

Revenues for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $66.1 million, a 10.0 percent increase over revenues of $60.0 million for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Fourth quarter net earnings were $1,065,133 compared to net earnings of $1,122,102 in the previous year. Earnings per share were $0.15 versus $0.16 in the fourth quarter of 1989.

Revenues for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $242.8 million, a 12.4 percent increase over revenues of $216.0 million for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1989. Fiscal year net earnings were $2,854,235 compared to 1989 fiscal year net earnings of $2,851,225. Earnings per share were $0.40, or the same earnings per share as the previous year.

Commenting on the fiscal 1990 increased revenues, Henry D. Sahakian, president and chief executive officer of Uni-Marts, stated "Most of the sales increase is attributable to the additional stores in operation for the entire 1990 fiscal year, higher petroleum pump prices and increased comparable merchandise sales. Petroleum gallons sold at comparable stores were lower in fiscal 1990 due to the situation in the Middle East and the resulting rapid fluctuations in petroleum prices during the fourth quarter. Merchandise sales at comparable stores increased 3.47 percent over fiscal 1989."

Mr. Sahakian also said, "Fiscal 1990 net earnings were essentially the same as fiscal 1989 net earnings primarily as the result of gross margins. Petroleum gross margins per gallon were lower than fiscal 1989 due to the volatility in the petroleum markets in the fourth quarter. Merchandise gross margin percentages were slightly lower than fiscal 1989. The previously announced cost containment programs implemented in the second quarter of 1990 and continued in the third and fourth quarters are beginning to show results. In addition, sales at the stores acquired and constructed during fiscal 1989 continue to improve. Although petroleum gross margins were low, we still nearly achieved the same record net earnings in the fourth quarter of 1990 as we achieved in the fourth quarter of last year."

Mr. Sahakian added, "During the fiscal year, eight new convenience stores were opened and 11 stores that did not fit into Uni-Marts' long-term strategy were closed. At the end of the fiscal year, 339 convenience stores were in operation."

Uni-Marts, Inc. is a leading operator of convenience stores that are located in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland. At Sept. 30, 1990, 204 of its 339 stores offered self-service gasoline. The company also processes and distributes milk and ice cream products through its dairy division and distributes home heating oil and gasoline through its petroleum

division.

UNI-MARTS, INC.
Condensed Statements of Earnings

Fourth Quarter Ended:	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Revenues	$66,058,033	$60,029,241
Net earnings	1,065,133	1,122,102
Net earnings per common share(A)	$0.15	$0.16
Weighted average common shares outstanding(A)	6,969,289	7,181,787
Twelve Months Ended:		
Revenues	$242,818,682	$216,015,107
Net earnings	2,854,235	2,851,225
Net earnings per common share(A)	$0.40	$0.40
Weighted average common shares outstanding(A)	7,100,405	7,173,439

(A) Uni-Marts, Inc. issued a 10 percent stock dividend on Sept. 5, 1990. Net earnings per common share and weighted average common shares outstanding have been adjusted for all periods presented to reflect this dividend.

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#90299p0082 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, OCT (26.) PR NEWSWIRE - Jostens, Inc. (NYSE: JOS) announced today the promotion of Gary Buckmiller, senior vice president of the company, to executive vice president. Buckmiller will continue to have the responsibility for the Education Group, the second largest and fastest growing business unit of Jostens.

Buckmiller started his career with Jostens in 1971 as assistant corporate controller. In 1975, he was named corporate controller of operations and an officer of Jostens. He was appointed vice president of planning and analysis in 1977 and vice president for planning and development in 1978. He became senior vice president of corporate services in 1979 and assumed responsibility for Jostens' newly created Education Division in 1985.

Buckmiller and his wife, Gretchen, have two children and reside in Mound, Minn.

H. William Lurton, chairman and chief executive officer of Jostens, said, "Gary Buckmiller has provided this company leadership skills that have added great depth to our senior management staff. I am certain that his planning and development skills will provide for the continued growth of our Education

Group and of our company as a whole."

Jostens, Inc. is a leading provider of products and services for the youth, education, sports award and recognition markets. The Fortune 500 company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "JOS" and last year reported sales of $788 million.

CONTACT: Larry Bradford of Jostens, 612-830-3218

-30- 1690

#90299p0087 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Univar Corp. (NYSE, PSE: UVX), North America's leading chemical distributor, today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.075 per share, payable Dec. 4 to shareholders of record Nov. 12.

Univar Corp., headquartered in Seattle, distributes chemicals to industry through two operating subsidiaries, Van Waters & Rogers Inc. in the United States, and Van Waters & Rogers Ltd. in Canada.

CONTACT: Nicolaas Samsom of Univar Corp., 206-447-5911; or Valerie Winslow of Hill & Knowlton Inc., 206-682-6944, for Univar Corp.

-30- 768

#90299p0089 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Telesphere Communications Inc. (AMEX: TSP), a full-service long-distance telephone company and leading provider of interactive 900 network services, today introduced a new 900 service catalog request line designed to streamline the handling and processing of catalog requests from consumers.

Called the Telesphere Catalog Request Line, it is the first nationwide service that allows potential catalog customers to call a central 900 number and request catalogs by telephone. The cost of the catalog is billed through the caller's monthly local telephone invoice. The catalog marketer receives the caller's name and address as well as a portion of the revenue from each call.

Jim Hertel, Telesphere's vice president of marketing, Information Services/900 said, "The catalogers we've talked to feel that this service will help them generate more qualified leads in the face of rising mailing costs. What's more their prospects will appreciate the convenience of requesting catalogs by phone, without having to write a check for such a small amount."

Until now, catalogers that relied on outside companies for generating catalog requests had to wait anywhere from one to two weeks to receive the leads. With the Telesphere Catalog Request Line, the leads are delivered on labels and

diskette in three to four days, greatly improving the rate of conversion to new buyers.

"For a one-time setup fee of only $125, our customers will be able to automate the process of handling catalog requests, which in turn will free up operators who might otherwise be taking orders or providing customer service," added Hertel.

Telesphere Communications Inc. operates a nationwide, state-of-the-art digital fiber optic network over which it provides long-distance, operator, interactive 900 and other enhanced telecommunications services.

CONTACT: Eric Fridman of Telesphere, (708) 954-7700.

-30- 2135

#90299p0090 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BERKELEY HEIGHTS, N.J. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Customedix Corporation (AMEX: CUS), a medical and dental products company, today announced profitable results for its first quarter.

In the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company showed net income of $431,500, or 1 cent per share, an improvement of $36,500 over last year's first-quarter earnings of $395,000. The improvement in earnings was primarily due to higher gross profits in the dental segment and the decline in interest expense resulting from debt reduction.

Net sales for the quarter were $10,284,800, down $2,138,500 from $12,423,300 during the same period last year. The decrease in sales was due primarily to the sale of the operations of the company's subsidiary, Sales and Marketing Services, Inc. (SMS), effective March 31, 1990, as well as certain price decreases in the dental segment. SMS had sales of approximately $1,500,400 which are included in net sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Customedix has strengthened its balance sheet as seen in the improvement of its current ratio to 3.5 to 1.0 on Sept. 30, 1990, from 3.3 to 1.0 at June 30, 1990. Working capital increased approximately $314,000 to $8,974,300 from June 30, 1990. These improvements resulted primarily from the company's profitability during the quarter.

The company's policy of debt reduction continued to be pursued in the first quarter of 1991. Debt was reduced by approximately $495,600, of which $398,100 was bank debt and the balance capitalized lease obligations. In addition, the company purchased and retired 525,000 shares of its stock for $50,000, a cost to the company of under 10 cents per share.

"As anticipated, first-quarter results showed Customedix off to a promising start in fiscal 1991," said company Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Gorden S. Cohen, M.D. "While we anticipate further decreases in revenues and earnings in our medical segment, due to lower order volume of injected molded plastic parts, as well as price decreases in enteral feeding bags, our dental segment is poised to release several new and important products over the balance of the year. We expect the company will continue to operate profitably in fiscal 1991."

Customedix Corporation, through its subsidiaries, supplies materials, devices and disposables for dental and medical health care.

CONTACT: Gordon S. Cohen, chairman and CEO, or Barry Kosowsky, assistant treasurer, 203-265-7397, or Andrew A. Miller, CFO, 201-464-2214, all of Customedix

-30- 2724

#90299p0093 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announces an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $4.75/bbl was effective yesterday, Thursday, Oct. 25, at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$33.00 for West Texas Intermediate
$31.00 for West Texas Sour
$33.50 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore)

New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E62. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440; or Bonnie Chaikind, 415-894-1200, both of Chevron U.S.A.

-30- 949

#90299p0095 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of McDonnell Douglas Corp. (NYSE: MD) today declared a quarterly dividend of 70.5 cents per share on the outstanding stock, to be paid Jan. 7, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: Barbara Anderson of McDonnell Douglas Corp., 314-233-2865

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#90299p0097 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. today announced a change in the posted prices it will pay for crude oil from California and Alaska fields. Postings were increased by $2.00/bbl.

The change was effective Thursday, Oct. 25, at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

for 35 API -- Cook Inlet -- $27.65
26 API -- Buena Vista -- $26.65
19 API -- Huntington Beach -- $25.05
13 API -- Kern River -- $23.00
27 API -- Long Beach -- $27.15
13 API -- Midway Sunset -- $23.00
17 API -- Wilmington -- $24.50

The gravity adjustment scale is as follows:

Above 40.0 deg. -- $0.000 per tenth degree API
34.0 to 40.0 -- $0.010 per tenth degree API
Below 34.0 -- $0.025 per tenth degree API

New prices for all fields are reflected in Chevron's California and Alaska Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-CA38. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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-30- 1233

#90299p0104 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, MA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Eclectic Associates, Inc. announces the release of Authenticator, a password security system for the Apple Macintosh computer. Authenticator prompts for a username and password and denies further access to the user until a valid combination has been entered.

"Authenticator prevents unauthorized attempts to access the computer without actually modifying any part of the system, thereby avoiding risk of damage to the hardware or data on the machine," said Eclectic Associates President David Kovar.

Authenticator is designed to be customized easily to individual user needs. The software allows for both single and multiple users on an individual computer or network. It will handle authentication failures either by shutting down the Macintosh or by remaining on but denying access to the user. Authenticator can be run at startup time as well as activated at the user's request, and the welcome prompt is easily modified.

"Authenticator provides a first level of security for computers accessible to many users and is, therefore, ideal for academic and business settings," said Kovar. Authenticator was designed for Harvard's Graduate School of Design and is licensed by Eclectic Associates from Harvard University.

Eclectic Associates is a personalized software development company, incorporated in 1990. The company plans to develop distributed environmental simulations, affordable network management software, and simple applications to make computing suit the needs of the customer/user.

Eclectic Associates also provides consulting services in several areas, including networking, custom Macintosh and Unix development, and systems planning.

CONTACT: David Kovar, president of Eclectic Associates, Inc., (617) 643-3373.

-30- 1988

#90299p0106 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

OCALA, FLA. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - A state appellate court has reversed trial court judgments against Mid-State Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: MSSB). The trial court judgments, originally entered in 1989, awarded damages of $617,380 and attorneys fees of $320,000 to Marketing and Management Associates, Inc. (MMA) of Miami, Florida. The suit involved an alleged breach of contract by Mid-State Federal resulting from negotiations over the proposed sale by Mid-State Federal to MMA of a partially completed Ocala subdivision that had been acquired through foreclosure proceedings.

In its order, the appellate court returned the case to the trial court for entry of judgment in favor of Mid-State Federal. MMA may file a motion for rehearing of the appellate court decision or ask that the case be reviewed by the Florida Supreme Court.

Mid-State Federal previously established a reserve against any loss in the MMA litigation. At Sept. 30, 1990, the reserve for damages, attorneys' fees, and interest totaled $1,114,687. Mid-State Federal will be evaluating whether to reverse all or part of this reserve.

Mid-State Federal is a publicly held, federally insured and federally chartered stock savings bank with its common stock traded over-the-counter and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "MSSB". With its home office in Ocala, Fla., the thrift has assets of just under $1 billion and operates 26 branch offices within a five county area in west Central Florida.

CONTACT: James L. Goehler, executive vice president and CFO of Mid-State Federal Savings Bank, 904-854-4100

-30- 1800

#90299p0109 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CUT BANK, MO. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - MSR Exploration Ltd. (AMEX, Toronto: MSR), an Alberta Public Energy Company operating out of Cut Bank, Montana, today announced record revenues, operating income and net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The ''Gulf Crisis'', which has caused unnecessary explosive world oil prices, has had an extraordinary effect on the company's production revenues.

Additional impact has been realized by the acquisition of the 46 well Winters (Capps) Field in Runnels County, Texas. The company purchased a 100 percent working interest in the field, including injection and disposal wells and a gas gathering system. MSR's Independent Petroleum Engineers estimate this acquisition has added some 1.6 million barrels of proven producing oil and some 2.5 billion cubic feet of proven producing gas reserves and has doubled MSR's daily production to over 1,200 barrels of oil equivalent (BOE) per day. As a result of the above, third quarter Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased by some 256 percent, as compared to third quarter 1989, as follows:

MSR EXPLORATION LTD.
Quarterly Financial Highlights
(U.S. dollars - unaudited)

	1990		1989	
	3 months	9 months	3 months	9 months
Oil & Gas Revenues	$2,322,000	$5,345,000	$ 933,000	$2,485,000
Operating Income	$ 861,000	$1,282,000	$ (144,000)	$ (235,000)
Net Income (Loss)	403,000	590,000	(83,000)	(152,000)
Funds From Operations	1,116,000	2,161,000	167,000	568,000
Share Net Income	0.050	0.073	(0.010)	(0.019)
Per Share Funds from Operations	0.138	0.268	0.021	0.071

MSR Exploration Ltd. is listed on both the American Stock Exchange and the Toronto Stock Exchange under symbol ''MSR''.

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#90299p0110 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUTTE, MONT. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Montana Power Co. (MPC) (NYSE: MTP) today announced third-quarter net income available for common stock of $6,628,000, or 13 cents per share, compared to $6,778,000, or 14 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, MPC net income increased to $52,173,000 from $47,336,000, or $1.05 per share, compared to 97 cents per share last year.

For the 12 months ended, the company's net income was $75,459,000, compared to $75,508,000. Due to an increase in the average number of shares outstanding, earnings per share declined to $1.52 per share from $1.55 last year.

Consolidated net income for the nine months ended and the third quarter reflects increased earnings by the Independent Power Group because of establishment, in October 1989, of a one-time provision for future losses on long-term power sales in the amount of 41 cents per share.

Income from utility operations decreased during the first nine months of 1990 due to weather 18 percent warmer than experienced in the same period a year earlier, and to lower electric rates. Entech earnings decreased during the third quarter due to reduced coal deliveries in Montana and Texas.

MONTANA POWER CO.
(In thousands, except per-share data)

	Quarter		Nine Months	
Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Consolidated revenues	$173,987	$168,325	$590,246	$560,976
Net income	$ 7,575	$ 7,725	$ 55,015	$ 50,178
Net income available for common	$ 6,628	$ 6,778	$ 52,173	$ 47,336
Average shares outstanding	49,746	48,872	49,574	48,700
Earnings per share	$ 0.13	$ 0.14	$ 1.05	$ 0.97

CONTACT: Russell J. Cox of Montana Power Co., 406-723-5421, ext. 2240

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#90299p0113 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Arkla, Inc. (NYSE: ALG) and Diversified Energies, Inc. (NYSE: DEI) said today that the companies' sharehlders will vote on the merger of DEI with and into Arkla, Inc. at special meetings of shareholders to be held Nov. 28 in Shreveport, La., and Minneapolis, respectively. The companies will begin mailing proxy materials to their respective shareholders today.

In July, the boards of directors of the two companies approved the merger agreement under which Arkla would become the surviving company. The agreement calls for DEI shareholders to receive between 1.575 and 1.752 shares of Arkla common stock for each share of DEI common stock they hold -- depending on the average price of Arkla stock for the 15 trading days prior to the date the transaction is closed. Arkla and DEI officials said they expect that closing of the merger will occur a few days following shareholder approval.

Arkla and DEI are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbols ALG and DEI, respectively.

CONTACT: B.J. Gibson (media), 612-342-4782; or K.K. Sundberg (investor), 612-342-4833, both of DEI

-30- 1327

#90299p0115 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - USLICO Corporation (NYSE: USC) reported strong earnings for the first nine months, with operating results, excluding realized gains, up 13 percent to $19.8 million, or $1.82 per share, on an after-tax basis for 1990, compared to $17.5 million, or $1.61 per share, for 1989.

Realized investment gains after taxes decreased to $449,000 for 1990, compared to $5 million in 1989. As a result of the lower realized gains, net income fell to $20.2 million, or $1.86 per share, in the first nine months of 1990, compared to $22.5 million, or $2.07 per share, in the 1989 period.

Growth in operating results was led by USLICO's life companies, which produced a $5.7 million increase in operating income (before taxes) to $29.8 million for 1990. Premiums and investment income increased $27.6 million, while policy benefits rose only $16.7 million.

USLICO reported that its property and casualty companies produced lower results, because of continuing storm losses in the Midwest. The combined ratio was 104 percent for 1990 compared to 102.8 percent for 1989. Earnings before taxes decreased to $4.9 million in the first nine months of 1990 compared to $6.4 million for the 1989 period.

Realized gains of $5.6 million pre-tax in 1989 resulted from the sale of non-insurance properties. No similar sales occurred in the first nine months of 1990.

Sales of life and annuity products increased 14 percent to $160 million of new annual premium in 1990 compared to $140 million for the first nine months of 1989. Direct premiums written by the property and casualty companies increased 10 percent over 1989 to $107.1 million for the first nine months of 1990.

The total investment in high-yield bonds on Sept. 30 represented only 2 percent of USLICO Corporation's consolidated invested assets or just 2.9 percent of USLICO's fixed-income portfolios, substantially below industry averages.

As of Sept. 30, the consolidated 60-day mortgage delinquency rate was 0.2 percent on a dollar percentage basis compared to the most recently published

ACLI industry average of 3.03 percent.

An insurance holding company, USLICO Corporation is headquartered in Arlington. Its four life subsidiaries represent 90 percent of its $2.6 billion in assets. The three property and casualty subsidiaries operate in the Midwestern United States.

CONTACT: Charles V. Giuffra, chairman, president and chief executive officer, USLICO Corp., 703-875-3414

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#90299p0118 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

GUILDERLAND, N.Y. (OCT.26) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermagnetics General Corporation (NASDAQ: INMA) announced today that Philips Medical Systems (PMS) has provided the company with its delivery schedule requirements which are in excess of $25 million for Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) superconductive magnets to be manufactured by IGC in calendar 1991. The order notification covers the initial year's quantity requirements by Philips under a previously announced, five-year PMS/IGC magnet purchase agreement to supply the TM-5 internally shielded magnet developed by Intermagnetics General.

In making the announcement, Carl H. Rosner, chairman and president of Intermagnetics General, told shareholders at the annual meeting in Albany, N.Y., that the TM-5 magnet "may turn out to be the most important and most successful commercial superconductor product we have ever developed." The TM-5 is being used exclusively by Philips in its Gyroscan T-5 imaging system, and is apparently helping Philips in gaining "an increasing share of the worldwide MRI market, estimated to be well over $1 billion annually," Rosner added.

Rosner also told shareholders that shipments of its MRI magnets were up "significantly" in fiscal 1990, and based upon record high levels of order backlog and increasing revenues, he believes that operating income will "most likely" be higher in the current year.

Intermagnetics General is also a leading manufacturer of superconducting wire, and produces cryogenic equipment, permanent magnet systems and material separation equipment.

CONTACT: Carl H. Rosner of Intermagnetics General, 518-456-5456

-30- 1819

#90299p0119 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Forstmann & Company, Inc. today announced that it has reached an agreement in principle with representatives of a committee consisting of the holders of a majority of its 14-3/4% senior

subordinated notes and the holders of all of its senior exchangeable adjustable rate preferred stock with respect to a restructuring of the company.

It is the company's understanding that the agreement in principle will be acceptable to its lenders. The agreement is the result of negotiations with the committee and its financial advisor Rothschild, Inc. The company's financial advisor in the negotiations is Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette.

The proposed restructuring would include, among other things, (i) the payment of the $7.375 million of interest on the senior subordinated notes due on Oct. 15, 1990 upon consummation of the restructuring in the form of $5 million in cash and $3 million aggregate principal amount of new senior subordinated notes which would be redeemable not later than 91 days after expiration of the company's new or extended credit facility; (ii) reducing the interest rate on the 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes for the period from Oct. 16, 1990 to Oct. 15, 1992 to 6 percent per annum; (iii) the issuance of 15 percent of the common stock of Forstmann to the current holders of senior subordinated notes; (iv) the exchange of approximately 85 percent of the senior preferred stock for 30 percent of the common stock, with the remaining senior preferred stock being exchanged for a new 5 percent senior (Pay-in-kind) preferred stock; and (v) the issuance of the remaining 55 percent of the common stock of Forstmann to Odyssey Partners in exchange for cash consideration of $4 million. The company expects that consummation of the restructuring would be conditioned upon, among other things, the consent of holders of at least 95 percent of the outstanding senior subordinated notes.

The revised offer will be commenced as soon as practicable.

CONTACT: Maureen Burgess of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Forstmann

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#90299p0121 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAUMONT, TX (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Gulf States Utilities Co. (NYSE: GSU) today reported earnings (unaudited) of 41 cents per share of common stock for the third quarter of 1990, compared to a 30-cent-per- share loss for the third quarter of 1989.

Increased kilowatt-hour sales and reduced interest charges contributed to the improved performance, company officials said. Sales for the third quarter totaled 8.3 billion kilowatt-hours, compared to 7.8 billion kilowatt-hours sold in the third quarter of 1989. Sales increased primarily because of hotter than normal weather in July and September and a slight increase in the number of customers. Interest expense continued to decline, as the company retired more than $235 million of debt during the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In 1989, the third quarter results included two material accounting charges.

GSU recorded a $37 million net of tax write-off related to the discontinuation of regulatory accounting principles to the company's wholesale jurisdiction. The company also recorded an $18 million net of tax write-off for lignite leases abandoned by Varibus Corp., a wholly- owned subsidiary of Gulf States.

Despite the positive results recorded during the third quarter of 1990, the company recorded a loss of $1.22 per share of common stock for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a loss of 74 cents per share of common stock for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The $1.22 loss reflects the estimated $135 million after-tax cost of the settlement with the Southern Co. recorded during the second quarter of 1990. It also included a significant accounting charge recorded in the fourth quarter of 1989, resulting from the discontinuation of regulatory accounting principles to the company's steam electric department.

GSU also reported that kilowatt-hour sales totaled 28.2 billion for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990 -- two percent greater than the 27.6 billion kilowatt-hours sold during the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

GSU serves 569,000 electric customers in a 28,000-square-mile area spanning the Gulf Coast between Houston and New Orleans.

CONTACT: Doug McCormick of Gulf States Utilities, 409-839-2858

-30- 2409

#90299p0124 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of GATX Corp. (NYSE: GMT) today declared a quarterly dividend of $0.275 per common share, payable Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 14.

The board also declared a quarterly dividend of $0.625 per share on the $2.50 preferred stock, payable Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 15.

Additionally, the board of directors of GATX Corp. declared a quarterly dividend of $.96875 per share on the $3.875 cumulative convertible preferred stock, payable Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 16.

The common and preferred dividends declared today are unchanged from the previous quarter.

CONTACT: George Lowman of GATX, 312-621-6599

-30- 884

#90299p0130 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Candace M. Robbins will join McCann-Erickson/SAS as general manager, effective Nov. 1. She has been

manager of truck advertising at General Motors Corp.'s Chevrolet Motor Division.

McCann-Erickson/SAS (Special Advertising Services) is a new Troy, Mich-based agency formed by McCann-Erickson to serve the total communications needs of the GMC Truck Division of General Motors Corp. In her new role, Robbins will report to John Dooner, president of McCann-Erickson North America.

The agency, believed to be unique in the industry because of the total communications service being delivered to a single client, is appropriately being launched with a new management concept in advertiser-agency "partnership." Robbins and her staff will sit in on the staff meetings and sessions at GMC Truck while top executives from the client, in turn, will attend executive committee meetings at McCann- Erickson/SAS.

Robbins, 40, started working for General Motors in 1971 as a market analyst for the former GMC Truck and Coach Division. She has worked in a full range of positions at GMC Truck, including as associate sales engineer, district manager, and dealer leasing manager. She became advertising manager of GMC Truck in 1983 and joined Chevrolet in her current position in April 1988. She was named the advertising member of Automotive News' All-Star Team in 1989.

Robbins' appointment completed the naming of the top management team at the new agency. As previously announced, Marianne Fey, who has been president of The Competitive Edge, will join the new agency as director of client services. McCann-Erickson has agreed to acquire the Detroit and Boston offices of The Competitive Edge.

Also, Jan Leon Woznick, who has been senior vice president and director of marketing at McCann-Erickson Detroit, will join as director of marketing services. Keith Stentz, who had been senior vice president and associate creative director at Lintas: Campbell-Ewald, Warren, Mich., has joined as director of creative services.

The new agency will handle GMC Truck's national-image ad account, its regional and market support ad business as well as a number of individual GMC Truck dealer groups throughout the country.

Additionally, GMC Truck has named McCann-Erickson/SAS to oversee coordination of its integrated communications strategy, working cooperatively with the other marketing services companies it employs to ensure seamless multi-media communications.

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-30- 2758

#90299p0132 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Given free reign to design a conceptual "sports car" for the 90s without any manufacturing restraints, the product development teams at Rover Cars, Sterling Motor Cars parent, produced the aerodynamic mid-engine MG EX-E.

The two-seat automotive projectile will make its North American debut Nov. 2 at the South Florida Auto Show in the Miami Beach Convention Center.

According to Roy Axe, Rover's chief designer, the MG EX-E -- EX for experimental -- project was very special.

"It was a 'no-holds barred' program," said Axe, who was responsible for design of the Sterling luxury-car range. "We were given the freedom to express our abilities and desires, but were directed to work within the Rover family framework."

Utilizing extensive computer-aided design and computer-aided engineering resources in the United Kingdom, the design group fashioned this aluminum-bodied bullet around a mid-placed, rally-proven 250- horsepower engine powering all four wheels.

Suspension is also race-car inspired with a double-wishbone configuration front and rear. Braking is by anti-lock system equipped four-wheel discs.

Competition design also inspired the use of an integrated monocoque body-chassis. An aluminum sub-structure was designed to be adhesive bonded, providing excellent torsional rigidity.

The bonded aluminum space frame is clad with colored, unstressed plastic skin panels.

A major advantage of this alloy frame assembly is the ability to build the vehicle on a modular basis. Three main modules are used, carrying all the main vehicle systems: an engine/transmission/rear suspension module, a passenger cell module and a front end structure.

High-tech interior fittings to enhance creature comfort and convenience begin with a credit-card like "key" that not only unlocks the doors, but also activates the ignition and recalls the driver's seat, mirror and climate-control settings from the EX-E's computer.

Hands-free cellular telephone, video-monitored traffic and navigational aids and windshield wipers that react to rain striking the windscreen are also part of the futuristic package.

"The MG EX-E's compliment of high-tech features might not be produced in next year's models, but the thinking behind them will be the driving force in the future of Rover and Sterling products," said Graham Morris, president of

Sterling Motor Cars.

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EAST MILLSTONE, NJ (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Applied Bioscience International Inc. (NASDAQ: APBI) today announced results of operations for the third quarter and the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. APBI reported combined results on a pooling-of-interests basis for the first time since its merger with ENVIRON International Corporation on Sept. 7, 1990. Results for prior periods have been restated to reflect the merger.

Net revenues for the third quarter were $25,324,000, up 30.3 percent compared with $19,438,000 for the third quarter of 1989. After deduction of one-time merger costs, there was a net loss for the period of $455,000 (9 cents per share), compared with net income of $1,041,000 (21 cents per share) in 1989. Operating income for the period before non-recurring items increased 30.3 percent.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 reflects a one-time provision of $3,212,000 for expenses associated with the ENVIRON transaction. In addition, net income for the third quarter of 1989 reflects, in connection with ENVIRON's operations for such period, a one-time provision of $1,500,000 in respect of future rental payments and other expenses associated with ENVIRON's former headquarters facility in Washington, D.C., which amount is not expected to be recoverable through subleasing such space. Without such one-time charges to 1990 and 1989 results of operations, the adjusted income from operations grew 30.3 percent from $3,037,000 in the third quarter of 1989 to $3,957,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $5,676,000, up 34.1 percent compared with $4,234,000 for 1989. Nine month results for 1990 were reduced by the merger costs and nine month results for 1989 were reduced by the charge for future rental payments, but nine month results for 1990 were also increased by $1,593,000 as a result of the adoption of Financial Accounting Standard No. 96 (FAS 96) "Accounting for Income Taxes." Since the adoption of FAS 96 is effective as of Jan. 1, 1990, the benefit is an adjustment to the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 but not the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Earnings per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 28.6 percent, from 84 cents in 1989 to $1.08 in 1990. Before the impact of the merger costs and the adoption of FAS 96, earnings per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $1.33.

APBI is a broadly based scientific research and development company, providing services under contract to pharmaceutical, agrochemical, general chemical and food industries.

APPLIED BIOSCIENCE INTERNATIONAL INC.

Quarter Sept. 30		1990	1989
Revenues		25,324,000	19,438,000
Net income (loss)	(A)	(455,000)	1,041,000
Average shares		5,271,000	5,077,000
Share earnings (primary):		(.09)	.21
Nine Months:			
Revenues		71,879,000	55,789,000
Income	(A)	4,083,000	4,234,000
Accounting adjustment	(B)	1,593,000	--
Net income		5,676,000	4,234,000
Average shares		5,255,000	5,046,000
Share earnings			
Income		.78	.84
Net income		1.08	.84

(A) - Includes a non-recurring merger cost of $3,212,000. (B) - Cumulative effect of an accounting change for income taxes (FAS 96).

APPLIED BIOSCIENCE INTERNATIONAL INC.
(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

Quarter Sept. 30	1990	1989	Pct. Increase
Net revenues	$25,324	$19,438	30.3
Operating income	3,957	1,537	
Merger costs	(3,212)	--	
Pretax income	760	1,595	
Net income (loss)	$ (455)	$ 1,041	
Weighted average shares	5,271	5,077	
Earnings (loss) per share	$ (.09)	$ .21	
Nine Months Sept. 30	1990	1989	Pct. Increase
Net revenues	$71,879	$55,789	28.8
Operating income	11,329	6,866	65.0
Merger costs	(3,212)	--	
Income before taxes and before FAS 96	8,198	6,938	
Provision for taxes	4,115	2,704	
Income before FAS 96	4,083	4,234	
Cumulative effect on prior years (to December 1989) of adopting Financial Accounting Standard No. 96 - Accounting For Income Taxes	1,593	--	

Net income	$ 5,676	$ 4,234
Weighted average shares	5,255	5,046
Earnings per share		
Income before FAS 96	$ 0.78	$ 0.84
FAS 96 adjustment	$ 0.30	--
Net income	$ 1.08	$ 0.84

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MOUNDS VIEW, Minn. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Garment Graphics International, Inc., a Mounds View, Minn., manufacturer of imprinted sportswear, said sales were led by continuing growth in both the retail and corporate market place. Sales are projected to remain on plan for the balance of the fiscal year.

GARMENT GRAPHICS INTERNATIONAL, INC.
EARNINGS REPORT
Second Quarter Ended

	9/30/90	9/30/89
Sales revenue	$6,755,975	$3,522,715
Percent increase	91.8	--
Net income	$465,758	$266,957
Percent increase	74.5	--
Net earnings/share	$.20	$.115

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HOUSTON (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - TEPPCO Partners, L. P. (NYSE: TPP) today reported third quarter 1990 net income of $6.3 million, or $0.43 per unit, compared with a pro forma net loss of $0.5 million, or $0.03 per unit, for the third quarter of 1989. The significant improvement in the 1990 results reflects an increase of $2.9 million in operating revenues and a decrease of $3.1 million in costs and expenses. The revenue improvement is due to an increase in liquefied petroleum gases (LPGs) transportation volumes resulting from higher secondary propane storage in anticipation of increased demand during winter months, an increase in average tariff rates for both LPGs and refined products and an increase in the gain on the sale of product inventory. The decrease in costs and expenses is due to lower electric power and fuel costs as a result of decreased refined product throughput and a decrease in product inventory losses resulting from improved product measurement.

Operating income was $14.3 million on revenues of $40.5 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared with pro forma operating income of $8.3 million on revenues of $37.6 million for the same period last year.

The partnership reported net income of $9.9 million or $0.68 per unit for the period March 7, the date of the completion of the initial public offering, through Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues for the period were $90.1 million and operating income was $28.3 million.

Pro forma net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $10.8 million, or $0.74 per unit, compared with pro forma net income of $11.9 million, or $0.81 per unit, for the comparable nine months of the previous year.

TEPPCO Partners, L.P. is a publicly owned master limited partnership. TE Products Pipeline Company, Limited Partnership, the operating partnership, is one of the largest pipeline common carriers of refined petroleum products and LPGs in the United States.

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NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Metroplitan Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ-NMS: MFTN) today released final first quarter results. As previously announced, the Association expected to report a substantial loss for the period and accordingly, reported a loss of $13.0 million, or $3.49 per share, for the first quarter ended September 30, 1990. This loss compares with net earnings of $101,000, or $.03 per share, for the corresponding period a year ago.

As of September 30, 1990, Metropolitan Federal had nonperforming loans of $117.1 million compared with $66.7 million at fiscal year end June 30, 1990. Real estate acquired through foreclosure was $92.4 million at the end of the first quarter compared with $81.7 million at fiscal year end. Reserves against loan losses were increased by $6.4 million to $34.3 million. For the quarter, Metropolitan Federal had net charge-offs of $3.2 million.

In announcing the results, Metropolitan Federal attributed the loss to continuing deterioration in the real estate markets, resulting in both the need for an additional $9.6 million in reserves for possible loan losses and in the large increase in nonperforming assets. Edwin W. Moats, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, said, "On an ongoing basis, the very high level of nonperforming assets continues to reduce our net interest income. The combination of a substantial loan loss provision and reduced net interest

income resulted in the significant loss for the quarter."

Moats added that the Association has seen further deterioration in the real estate economy in the last 90 days, citing both recent property appraisals that reflect declining land values compared with similar appraisals of one year ago, and the delay in the closing of sales contracts on commercial property. Moats also added that the substantial increase in nonperforming assets was primarily related to one large multi-use commercial development in Middle Tennessee.

At September 30, Metropolitan Federal's tangible capital ratio was 2.6 percent against a current minimum regulatory requirement of 1.5 percent, the Association's core capital ratio was 3.9 percent with the current minimum regulatory requirement being 3.0 percent and the risk-based capital ratio was 5.5 percent which is below the current minimum regulatory requirement of 6.4 percent.

Because the Association now does not comply with the regulatory risk-based capital requirement, Metropolitan Federal will be required to file a capital plan with the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) in Cincinnati and will likely incur new restrictions on lending activities other than residential and consumer lending.

"While the operating losses have put tremendous pressure on our stock price," added Moats, "our customers for the most part remain unaffected. Any new lending restrictions likely would apply only in the commercial area and should not affect consumer lending, residential mortgages or home equity loans. And, of course, deposits continue to be insured up to $100,000 by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

Deposits as of September 30, 1990, were $918.6 million up $2.7 million over deposits of $915.9 million a year ago. Assets at the end of the first quarter were $1.10 billion compared with assets of $1.15 billion one year ago.

Metropolitan Federal, Tennessee's largest publicly-traded savings and loan with 19 offices, operates throughout the state. Metropolitan Federal's common stock is traded on the over-the-counter market in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol MFTN.

METROPOLITAN FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Net Earnings (Loss)	$(12,987,000)	$ 101,000
Earnings (Loss) Per Share	$ (3.49)	$ .03
Average Shares Outstanding	3,719,596	3,719,596
	As of September 30,	

	1990	1989
Total Assets	$1,096,355,000	$1,152,381,000
Deposits	$ 918,579,000	$ 915,885,000
Loans and Mortgage-Backed Securities	$ 848,519,000	$ 939,553,000

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GREENVILLE, DEL. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. (SRAC), a wholly owned subsidiary of Sears, Roebuck and Co. (Sears) (NYSE: S), reported today that net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $45.1 million compared with $45.4 million for the same period in 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, SRAC's net income was $132.8 million compared with $134.5 million recorded for the first nine months of 1989. SRAC continued to maintain a ratio of earnings to fixed charges of 1.25 for the third quarter and first nine months of both 1990 and 1989.

During the third quarter of 1990, SRAC's combined earnings on its investment in Sears notes and retail customer receivable balances were $327.8 million, a decrease from the $340.5 million in earnings for the 1989 third quarter. Combined earnings for the first nine months of 1990 decreased to $986.9 million from $1,011.4 million for the same period of 1989.

Interest and related expenses decreased in the third quarter to $269.3 million from $271.7 million for the third quarter of 1989. The total for the first nine months of 1990 was $796.4 million, down from the comparable prior year period total of $806.9 million.

Earnings and net income for the quarter and nine month periods decreased as a result of lower yields on combined investments which more than offset a higher level of investment and lower borrowing costs. The yields in 1990 were reduced in response to SRAC's lower cost of short-term borrowings.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron Corporation (NYSE: CHV) today reported third quarter earnings of $403 million, a decrease of 3 percent from the $417 million earned in the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share decreased to $1.14 from $1.22. The third quarter benefited $80 million from

special items, compared with a benefit of $7 million from such items in last year's quarter.

After adjusting for special items, operational results were down 21 percent from last year's third quarter and 45 percent from this year's second quarter.

Net income for the nine months was $1.524 billion, up 34 percent from the $1.134 billion earned the first nine months of 1989. Earnings per share of $4.30 increased 30 percent from $3.31 per share for the same period last year. The higher year-to-date earnings reflect the strong first half performance of the U.S. petroleum operations prior to the Middle East turmoil. While crude oil and refined product prices have both been volatile in 1990, average crude prices and product sales margins for the nine months are higher than in the prior year. Additionally, special items increased earnings $144 million in the 1990 year-to-date period, but reduced 1989 nine-month income by $4 million. Special items in 1990 consisted of net gains from property dispositions and favorable tax adjustments, partially offset by $117 million of charges for environmental, restructuring and other costs.

Total revenues were $10.6 billion for the quarter, compared with $8.0 billion in last year's third quarter and total revenues for the nine months were $28.8 billion, up from $23.9 billion last year. The increase for both periods reflects higher prices and sales volumes for refined products and crude oil.

U.S. exploration and production operations reported earnings of $201 million for the 1990 third quarter, up significantly from the $58 million earned in the corresponding period last year. Earnings in 1990 included a net benefit of $20 million from special items, primarily gains from sales of marginal producing properties. The 1989 quarter included a $30 million loss on property dispositions. Operating earnings reflected higher crude oil prices, which were up about $5.85 per barrel. Liquids production was down 4 percent but natural gas production increased 7 percent. Natural gas realizations declined 13 percent from the 1989 quarter, which included favorable gas contract settlements. Depreciation rates and exploration expenses were higher.

U.S. refining and marketing operations reported losses of $53 million for the quarter, compared with earnings of $130 million last year. The 1990 results included $53 million of charges, primarily for environmental programs. Although average prices for refined products were up from last year, substantial losses were incurred in the last two months of the quarter because of the sharp increase in crude oil acquisition costs. Sales volumes were up 5 percent, reflecting strong gasoline demand early in the third quarter and higher sales volumes of residual fuel oil and gas oils due to customers stockpiling as a hedge against future price increases.

Petroleum operations outside the United States earned $285 million for the quarter, compared with $180 million last year. The 1990 quarter included a $43 million favorable adjustment to deferred income taxes resulting from a

change in United Kingdom tax laws and a $70 million gain on the sale of the company's Bahamas facilities. Operationally, exploration and production earnings were up on higher crude oil prices. New production from Australia was more than offset by declines in Canada, Nigeria and the United Kingdom. Natural gas production was up 19 percent due primarily to the company's Canadian operations and the North West Shelf project in Australia. Refining and marketing earnings, despite a 9 percent increase in sales volumes, declined due to lower sales margins, particularly in Canada and in certain of the Caltex the company's equity affiliate areas of operation.

Chemicals operations reported profits of $33 million, down 58 percent from the $78 million earned in the 1989 quarter. Sales margins were adversely impacted by higher feedstock costs and lower prices in the commodity chemicals markets, particularly olefins.

Minerals operations earned $7 million for the quarter, down from $42 million reported in last year's period, when a $37 million gain was recorded from an asset disposition.

Foreign exchange gains included in net income for the quarter were $20 million compared with $14 million in last year's third quarter. Nine-month foreign exchange gains were $16 million in 1990 and $37 million in 1989.

Worldwide capital and exploratory expenditures, including the company's share of affiliates' expenditures, were $1.0 billion in the quarter and $2.8 billion for the nine months, compared with $1.1 billion and $2.7 billion in the comparable prior year periods. As previously announced, the company is spending an additional $100 million in development drilling in the U.S. to quickly increase production. Total capital and exploratory expenditures for the year are estimated to be $4.3 billion.

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FAIRFAX, VA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobil Corporation (NYSE: MOB) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.725 a share on the company's common stock. This brings Mobil's dividend payments in 1990 to $2.825 a share, up from $2.55 in 1989.

The dividend is payable Dec. 10 to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 5.

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RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Tredegar Industries Inc. (NYSE: TG) declared a quarterly dividend of six cents per share on the company's common stock. The dividend is payable Jan. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

Tredegar's board also authorized the repurchase of an additional 2 million shares of the company's common stock. The shares may be purchased from time to time in the open market and in privately negotiated transactions. The board had previously authorized the repurchase of 1.2 million shares. As of the third quarter ending Sept. 30, Tredegar has repurchased a total of 1,036,510 shares of its common stock for approximately $13.6 million.

Tredegar Industries is a Fortune 500 manufacturer of plastics and aluminum products and has interests in coal, oil and gas.

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CHICAGO, (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Chicago-based Allied Products Corp. (NYSE: ADP) reported a $3,441,000 net loss for the third quarter of 1990 on net sales of $115,295,000. This compares to a net loss of $2,259,000 for the third quarter of 1989 on net sales of $135,570,000.

For the first nine months of 1990, Allied Products recorded net sales of $406,072,000 and net income of $1,269,000. In comparison, net sales and net income were $452,654,000 and $3,472,000 respectively for the same nine-month period of 1989.

Commenting on the third quarter results, Richard A. Drexler, president and chief executive officer of Allied Products, stated:

"Sales were restrained by a continuing policy of restricting production of certain high-cost products. This policy reflects our emphasis on strengthening cash flow and preparing to refinance substantially all of the outstanding indebtedness of Allied Products. Sales of our Agricultural Equipment Group also softened somewhat during the quarter, in line with a general industry trend.

"Nonetheless, over the first nine months of 1990 both income from operations and cash flow considerably exceeded initial projections and it is expected that the results for the full year 1990 will also exceed initial projections. This favorable result can be attributed, in large part, to the success of our vigorous cost-containment and continuous- improvement programs.

"The resurgence of the oil and gas service industry has had a positive impact on our Smith Energy Services division, which until recently had sustained a series of losses. We now expect Smith Energy to deliver increasingly positive results.

"High interest costs and high legal and other professional costs associated with the restructuring of our existing bank debt continue to depress net income, but we are optimistic that the financing situation can be resolved favorably in the near future.

"Management is closely tracking the weakening national economy and the company is reacting quickly to changes in the marketplace."

Allied Products Corp. manufactures agricultural equipment, transportation and industrial products and chemical specialties.

Income before income taxes for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 includes gains of $480,000 ($277,000 in the third quarter) arising from the sales of operating and non-operating assets. Income before income taxes for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 includes gains of $1,371,000 ($888,000 in the third quarter) arising from the sales of operating and non-operating assets.

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BRANCHBURG, NJ (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Air & Water Technologies Corporation (AMEX: AWT), a leading environmental treatment and services company, today announced that its air pollution control subsidiary, Research-Cottrell Companies, has entered into an agreement to acquire Regenerative Environmental Equipment Co., Inc. (REECO). The agreement is subject to approval by the AWT board of directors. REECO is based in Morris Plains, N.J.

Established in 1972, REECO provides a broad range of volatile organic compound and air toxics control systems. The patented RE-THERM(R) and RE-THERM VF regenerative incineration systems designed by REECO use a regenerative thermal oxidation process to destroy volatile organic compounds (VOCs). RE-THERM is highly energy efficient, using a continuous cycling of heat energy stored in beds of ceramic stoneware. VOCs contained in process exhaust are incinerated and destroyed while the heat energy is used and reused for the incineration process itself. The REECO technology is considered by environmental regulatory agencies as the "best available control technology" for air toxics.

As part of the purchase agreement, AWT is also purchasing REECO's shares in their joint ventures. Those ventures include a 50 percent share in REECO-Stroem of Denmark, and a 51 percent share in REECO-Italy in Milan,

Italy. Additionally, AWT is purchasing 100 percent of Thermal Transfer Corporation (TTC) of Pittsburgh, Pa. Thermal Transfer Corporation (TTC) is a manufacturer of heat exchanger and process vessel equipment.

The terms of the transaction, which is expected to be additive to AWT's earnings, include a total purchase price of approximately $10 million. Of the purchase price, $7 million will be payable in cash at closing and the remaining $3 million will be payable over a two-year period. The company may also make additional payments based on the future cumulative operating income of the acquired businesses. For its most recent fiscal year, ended Dec. 31, 1989, the combined revenues of REECO and TTC were approximately $25 million.

Research-Cottrell, one of the nation's oldest and most recognized air pollution control firms, is a member of the Air & Water Technologies family of environmental companies. Through its subsidiaries, Air Pollution Control Division, Custodis Ecodyne, Flex-Kleen, KVB, R-C Environmental Services & Technologies, and R-C Europe, Research-Cottrell provides the expertise, technology and services to comprehensively solve any air and thermal pollution problem. In addition to its Research-Cottrell air pollution subsidiary, Air & Water Technologies provides a broad range of environmental services in the areas of water resource management and waste by-product disposal and reuse through its other operating units, Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: METC) and Residuals Management Group.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Royal Oak Resources Ltd. and ScotiaMcLeod announced today that Royal Oak has reached its minimum subscription level of $16 million on its international equity offering and is continuing to market the issue to its maximum of $20 million.

The minimum subscription of $16 million of equity which has been raised to date, in addition to the previously announced debt financing package provided by Westpac Banking Corp. and Bank of New Zealand, will enable Royal Oak to close its $33 million acquisition of control of the Pamour group of companies on Nov. 1, 1990.

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HOUSTON, (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Tenneco Inc. (NYSE: TGT) announced today that its Packaging Corporation of America subsidiary acquired Dixie Container Corp., a privately held corrugated container company. Terms of the agreement

were not disclosed.

The closing follows the signing of a definitive agreement in February 1990.

Headquartered in Richmond, Va., Dixie operates seven facilities with more than 650 employees. Three container plants are located in Richmond, Va., Honea Path, S.C., and Morganton, N.C. Three corrugated sheet plants are located in Roanoke, Va., High Point, N.C., and Knoxville, Tenn. Dixie also owns a recycled medium mill in Sylva, N.C.

According to Monte R. Haymon, PCA president and CEO, this acquisition supports PCA's strategy to expand in the Southeast, the nation's fastest growing region for corrugated box shipments. "It will strengthen our overall presence in this area, while enhancing customer partnerships with the furniture, textile and electronics industries," he said.

"PCA will also add recycled medium production capability with Dixie's Jackson Mill in Sylva, N.C. This capability to produce recycled medium will address the growing market demand for recycled materials in corrugated products," Haymon added.

In addition, the acquisition will expand PCA's network of corrugated fabricators in the Southeast and establish PCA's East Coast presence as a manufacturer of heavy-duty corrugated products.

With Dixie and the pending acquisition of select assets of Georgia-Pacific Corp., PCA will operate a total of 56 converting facilities and five containerboard mills nationwide. The Georgia-Pacific transaction was reported in September.

"The closing of these acquisitions will support our strategic objective to strengthen PCA's leadership position in its core businesses," said Haymon.

A Tenneco company, PCA is a leading manufacturer of corrugated containers, containerboard, recycled paperboard, folding cartons, molded fibre products and plastic containers.

Tenneco Inc. is a Houston-based, diversified industrial corporation with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, automotive parts, shipbuilding, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dime Savings Bank of New York, FSB (NYSE: DME) today reported a loss of $153.6 million, or $6.72 per share, for

the third quarter of 1990, compared with net income of $2.1 million, or $0.09 per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

The bank said that the loss was due to the addition of $167.9 million to the bank's reserve for loan losses. In a related action, The Dime announced that its board of directors had suspended the bank's quarterly cash dividend of $0.15 per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the bank reported a net loss of $123.2 million, or $5.39 per share, compared with net income of $17.6 million, or $0.77 per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Richard D. Parsons, president and chief executive officer of The Dime, said, "There has been a substantial deterioration in Northeastern real estate markets over the past few months, including in our core market of metropolitan New York. This has been accompanied by an increasingly recessionary trend in the general economy. These factors have contributed significantly to rising levels of non-performing loans -- in both our residential and commercial real estate portfolios -- and have led us to estimate lower cure rates on delinquent loans and higher losses on foreclosed properties than anticipated earlier this year. Moreover, it does not appear that the regional real estate markets are likely to rebound in the near term.

"Accordingly, in view of the rising level of non-performing loans, recent loss experience, and the deteriorating economic conditions -- and in anticipation of some further declines in real estate markets -- we deemed it prudent to increase substantially the reserve for loan losses and to suspend our dividend.

"Despite the large loss for the third quarter, The Dime remains operationally sound. Our capital ratios remain above current regulatory requirements, and even with the drag of our non-performing assets, operating income before the loan loss provision exceeded operating expenses. We expect to return to profitability in the fourth quarter of 1990.

"Nevertheless, strengthening capital is a priority. We are considering strategic asset sales in order to downsize the bank and improve our regulatory capital ratios. Reducing overhead expense in order to improve profitability is also critical and we are taking a number of steps to reduce our general and administrative expenses."

Non-Performing Assets The Dime reported that non-performing assets at Sept. 30 1990, were $857.2 million, or 7.52 percent of assets, compared with $550.6 million, or 4.72 percent of assets, at year-end 1989.

The third quarter 1990 loan loss provision of $167.9 million included $45.2 million for commercial and multifamily real estate and $121.4 million for one-to-four family and cooperative apartment loans. Charge-offs for the period totaled $36.7 million, including $11.7 million for commercial and multifamily

real estate and $24.7 million for one-to-four family and cooperative apartment loans. The total reserve for losses at Sept. 30, 1990, was $235.5 million, including $51.7 million for commercial and multifamily loans and $180.4 million for one- to-four family and cooperative apartment loans.

The loan loss reserve of $235.5 million represents 2.37 percent of total loans and 33 percent of non-performing loans. The $51.7 million set aside for commercial and multifamily loans represents 4.01 percent of these loans and 66 percent of these types of non-performing loans.

Capital The bank reported that, at Sept. 30, 1990, it had stockholders' equity of $497.5 million, or $21.80 per share, which was 4.36 percent of total assets. The Dime was in compliance with current regulatory capital requirements and had at the end of the 1990 third quarter:

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PALO ALTO, CA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Bio-Electro Systems Inc. (BES) today announced a net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $2.9 million. Net loss for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $9.4 million compared to a net loss of $6.1 million for the like period in 1989. Revenue for the current quarter consists of interest income of $.3 million. Revenue for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $.9 million.

The loss in the current period consists primarily of research and development expenses, less interest income, incurred under development contracts with Alza Corp. (AMEX: AZA) and Medtronic Inc. (NYSE: MDT), a Minnesota-based corporation.

BES and Alza have entered into a collaborative arrangement with Medtronic whereby both Alza and Medtronic's electrotransport drug delivery activities are being managed by Alza pursuant to agreements with BES.

BES is developing drug delivery systems utilizing bioerodible polymers and electrotransport drug delivery technologies, and intends to commercialize, most likely through licensing, pharmaceutical products based on these technologies.

BIO-ELECTRO SYSTEMS INC. SUMMARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue:				

Interest income	$ 290	$ 607	$ 942	$ 2,076
Costs and expenses:				
Research and development	3,105	2,890	9,946	7,940
General and administrative	120	89	381	258
Total costs and expenses	3,225	2,979	10,327	8,198
Net loss	(2,935)	(2,372)	(9,385)	(6,122)
Net loss per common share	(.90)	(.73)	(2.89)	(1.89)
Weighted average common shares	3,246	3,246	3,246	3,246

CONTACT: Kera Alexander of Bio-Electro Systems, (415) 496-8200.

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DANVILLE, Va., Oct. 26 /PRNewswire/ -- The Board of Directors of Dibrell Brothers, Incoporated (NASDAQ-NMS: DBRL) in meeting held Oct. 26, 1990 declared a quarterly dividend of $.20 per share, payable December 14, 1990 to shareholders of record on December 7, 1990.

CONTACT: John Hunnicutt of Dibrell Brothers Incorporated, 804-792-7511

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#90299p0205 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - William C. Liedtke Jr. chairman and chief executive officer of Pogo Producing Co. (NYSE: PPP) announced that Paul G. Van Wagenen was appointed president and chief operating officer at the company's fall board of directors meeting.

Van Wagenen, age 44, has been with Pogo since 1979 when he began as the company's first in-house legal counsel. In April 1982, he was promoted to vice president and general counsel and then in Jan. 1986, he was promoted to senior vice president. He has been a director of the company since 1988 and also serves on the executive committee of the Pogo board.

Van Wagenen received his B.A. Magna Cum Laude from Brigham Young University in 1970, and his J.D. from the University of Washington in 1973. Prior to joining Pogo he worked for Exxon in a variety of capacities in its Anchorage, Houston, Midland, New Orleans, and New York City offices. He was also associated with the major Dallas, law firm of Johnson & Gibbs.

He is a member of the Texas and Washington State Bar Associations, as well as the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, the U.S. Fifth

Circuit Court of Appeals, and the American Bar Association. Van Wagenen has taught as an adjunct professor of law at the University of Texas, Permian Basin and has appeared in various state and federal courts as well as before regulatory bodies in Texas, New Mexico, Mississippi and Florida. He has lectured on energy and business matters before the National Association of Manufacturers and the Arizona Association of Industries.

The Pogo chairman stated, "I am plesed to say the Van Wagenen was selected unanimously by our 13 member board of directors, a group which represents a cross-section of American business and industry. He has served Pogo well for 11 years and has been a key advisor and guardian of our business interests through some difficult times in the oil and gas industry. Through Paul's effort and direction we have achieved significant successes, one in particular being his enabling us to enforce many long-term gas sales contracts so vital to the company. Van Wagenen has the business experience and qualifications that will allow Pogo to gain an even greater momentum in its growth as the company enters its third decade of oil and gas exploration and production."

CONTACT: Ronald B. Manning, Pogo Producing Co., 713-651-4355

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TORRANCE, Calif. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - P. Leiner Nutritional Products Corp. (AMEX: PLI) achieved higher second quarter profits despite lower sales for the period.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $1,283,000, equal to 24 cents per share, up 27 percent from $1,012,000, or 19 cents per share, a year ago. Second quarter net sales were $34,408,000, 6 percent below those in the prior year period.

First half net income was $1,783,000, equal to 34 cents per share, 8 percent lower than $1,941,000, or 37 cents per share, in the year-earlier period. Net sales for the first half were $61,961,000, 10 percent less than in the first six months of last fiscal year.

Michael Leiner, chairman and chief executive officer, said: "Our sales showed substantial improvement from the first quarter, with the benefit of some successful new product introductions. However, the overall vitamin market remained soft. On the other hand, sales of our expanding range of over-the-counter, non-prescription, drug products continued to show very solid gains.

"As anticipated, results continue to benefit from our careful management of expenses and improvements to operating efficiencies. Operating expenses in the second quarter were 12 percent less than in the same period a year ago.

"We were successful in realizing a further partial recovery of the costs of last year's recall of L-tryptophan products. This recovery, together with other factors, produced a non-recurring credit of $300,000, pre-tax, and added 3 cents per share to the second quarter bottom line. It is important to note that even without this recovery we registered improved profits for the quarter.

"Looking ahead, we are encouraged by the opportunities that we see to expand our business by building on our strong national distribution base. However, we are concerned about the potential impact of the current national economic climate on the purchasing patterns of our retailer customers. In this uncertain environment, we will continue to keep expenses under tight control and maintain the company's strong balance sheet."

P. Leiner Nutritional Products Corp.'s customers include 22 of the nation's 25 largest drugstore chains, 21 of the 25 largest supermarket chains and 16 of the 25 largest discount chains.

CONTACT: Michael Leiner of P. Leiner Nutritional Products Corp., 213-328-9610

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MONTVALE, NJ (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Datascope Corp. (NASDAQ: DSCP) today reported net income of $521,000 or $0.10 per share in the first quarter of fiscal 1991. This compares with $931,000 or $0.18 per share in the year-ago period. Consolidated sales rose 10 percent to $27.6 million, compared with an increase of 2 percent last year and an increase of 6 percent for all of fiscal 1990.

The company stated that while start-up costs of its new coronary angioplasty catheter, PTCA (Percutaneous Transluminal Coronary Angioplasty), business continued to impact net earnings in the first quarter, the company's operating results were on track with its plan to produce higher sales and profits for fiscal 1991.

Gross profit margin increased to 62 percent in the first quarter from 59 percent in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, reflecting an anticipated improvement in monitoring production efficiency. Sales of monitoring products and vascular grafts continued strong, offsetting flat intra-aortic balloon pump (IABP) sales.

As announced during the past week, the company noted that its Pre- Market Approval (PMA) application for its INTEGRA(TM) PTCA catheter is due to be considered at an FDA panel meeting on Oct. 29, 1990. The company also announced filing of a PMA Supplement with the FDA for its MICROSS-SL(TM), a new state-of-the art, over-the-wire catheter. Assuming no extraordinary delay in the approval process for either catheter, the company believes marketing of both catheters could begin in early calendar 1991. The combination of the

MICROSS-SL and INTEGRA will give Datascope access to the entire PTCA catheter market, estimated at $400 million annually.

The company also announced that, pursuant to notification from the FDA, it has resumed marketing the following IAB catheters included in recent 510(k) submissions:

PERCOR STAT-DLR 10.5 Fr. 40cc PERCOR STAT-DL 9.5 Fr. 34cc PERCOR STAT-SL 9.5 Fr. 40cc Datascope Corp. is a manufacturer of proprietary products for clinical health care markets in interventional cardiology, anesthesiology, and cardiovascular and vascular surgery.

DATASCOPE CORP. SUMMARY OF OPERATING RESULTS
(unaudited)

Three months ended	9/30/90	9/30/89
Sales	$27,600,000	$25,200,000
Earnings before taxes on income	801,000	1,454,000
Taxes on income	280,000	523,000
Net earnings	$ 521,000	$ 931,000
Earnings per share		
Primary and fully diluted	$0.10	$0.18
Average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding		
Primary and fully diluted	5,142,000	5,164,000

CONTACT: Murray Pitkowsky, chief financial officer of Datascope, 201-307-5504

-30- 3055

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JACKSONVILLE, FLA. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - American Federal Savings Bank of Duvall County (NASDAQ-NMS: AMJX), today reported that it reduced the carrying value of certain nonperforming assets, collateralized primarily by commercial real estate located in the panhandle area of Florida, by $745,000 and made a special addition of $500,000 to increase its general allowance for losses to approximately 10 percent of its nonperforming assets. These actions resulted in a net loss of $686,000, or $.73 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 and a net loss of $435,000, or $.47 per share, for the nine months then ended. This compares with reported net income in 1989 of $94,000, or $.10 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989 and $302,000, or $.32 per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

American Federal's Chief Executive Officer J. Malcolm Jones Jr. reported, "The amount of our nonperforming assets decreased from $9.9 million as of June 30 to $8.9 million at the end of the third quarter, demonstrating the concerted efforts we are making in our loan administration and asset disposition areas. However, we reevaluated our large nonperformig assets during the quarter in

light of the economic outlook and determined that certain assets needed to be written down. Furthermore, we revised our policy regarding the establishment of general allowance for losses to target an allowance that approximates 10 percent of nonperforming assets, which has resulted in the $500,000 special addition that was required for us to meet our stated objective.

Jones added, "Despite the loss of earnings on the nonperforming assets, our core earnings continue to increase. We believe the actions we have taken should protect the value of our assets as we work through the current slowdown in the economy."

American Federal's total assets as of Sept. 30, 1990 were $262,200,000 and stockholders' equity as of Sept. 30, 1990 was $10,900,000, which represents a $11.61 book value per share. American Federal had core and tangible capital ratios of 4.12 percent and a risk-based capital ratio of 7.92 percent as of Sept. 30, 1990, thus exceeding all minimum capital requirements.

American Federal Savings Bank of Duval County is a federal stock savings bank and is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "AMJX."

CONTACT: Kerry P. Charlet of American Federal Savings Bank, 904-731-3822

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#90299p0213 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARLBORO, MA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Selvac Corporation (NASDAQ: SLVC, SLVCU, SLVCW) today reported the following consolidated comparative results for the first three months ended Aug. 31, 1990:

SELVAC CORPORATION

Three months ended Aug. 31,	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,888,698	$3,153,325
Income (loss) before income taxes	(422,135)	327,249
Income taxes	--	121,000
Income (loss)	(422,135)	206,249
Extraordinary item, tax benefit of a net operating loss carryforward	--	62,000
Net income (loss)	(422,135)	268,249
Net income (loss) per common share:		
Inc. (loss) before extraordinary item	$(.03)	$.01
Extraordinary item	--	.01
Net income	(.03)	.02
Wtd. avg. com. shares outstanding	14,939,637	16,262,708

CONTACT: Michael B. Freedman, president of Selvac, 508-481-9495

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#90299p0214 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINSTON-SALEM, NC (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Salem Carpet Mills, Inc. (NASDAQ: SLCR). At its meeting on Oct. 26, 1990, the Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of $.02 per share for the third quarter. This dividend is payable on Nov. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 5, 1990.

Salem designs, manufactures and markets broadloom tufted carpets in a wide range of styles, colors and prices for the residential and commercial markets nationwide. The Company's manufacturing operations are vertically integrated from fiber and yarn processing through finished product. It has nine manufacturing plants in Georgia, South Carolina and Tennessee, distribution centers nationally and corporate headquarters in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

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#90299p0215 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - "The air we breathe is indifferent to its pollution source, and the health of everyone in the Los Angeles Basin would benefit most from the fastest cleanup," Roger C. Beach, Unocal (NYSE: UCL) senior vice president and president of Unocal Refining & Marketing Division, told South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) officials today.

Industry and government need to forge a partnership that allows individuals and companies to apply creativity and technology to provide the best solutions to air quality problems, Beach said, adding that Unocal would welcome the opportunity to become involved in the process.

Beach urged that regulators allow the private sector to implement "innovative offsets" in their efforts to clean the air in the Los Angeles Basin. He added, "As long as the emissions are real, quantifiable and enforceable," a company or an individual should receive credit.

He explained that this regulatory approach would allow a company to earn credit for cleaning up air pollution--no matter what its source--and to apply a major part of that credit toward its own business needs.

Beach cited the results of Unocal's SCRAP (South Coast Recycled Auto Project) effort as a model for future innovative programs. In that project, Unocal purchased and scrapped 8,376 pre-1971 vehicles, the worst polluters on the road.

The vehicles in the SCRAP project emitted more than 65 times the hydrocarbons, 50 times the carbon monoxide and 10 times the nitrogen oxides of a typical 1990 automobile.

He noted that a 200,000-vehicle SCRAP project, as a supplement to the Air Quality Management Plan, would cut five years from the schedule for reducing hydrocarbon emissions from mobile sources in the basin. Likewise, such a broad effort would cut two years from the AQMP's carbon monoxide mobile source reduction efforts.

Beach suggested other innovative ideas which could contribute significantly to reducing air pollution. He listed supplementing the state's smog check program with privately funded tuneups; industry subsidized replacement of old water heaters to reduce nitrogen oxides; business-sponsored street sweepers on the freeways to reduce particulates; and credits to businesses for converting fleets to ultra-clean fuels such as natural gas.

CONTACT: Barry Lane of Unocal, 213-977-7601

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#90299p0217 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, ORE. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - NERCO Inc. (NYSE: NER) today reported that its coal subsidiary, NERCO Coal Corp. of St. Louis, has acquired an 80,000-acre property that contains various coal and timber rights. The property is adjacent to some of the company's existing West Virginia coal reserves.

The property, located in Nicholas, Clay and Braxton counties, W.V., was acquired from Pegasus Resource Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of The Pittston Co. The purchase price was not disclosed.

The known coal reserves total about 70 million tons, approximately 30 million tons of which are leased to other parties. Of the coal reserves to be mined initially, approximately one-third of the reserves are compliance coal, with the balance being primarily low-sulfur.

In December 1989, the company acquired certain assets from Bright Coal Corp., including surface and underground coal operations and owned and leased reserves totaling 50 million tons.

According to NERCO Coal Corp. President Charles C. Adams, "Current plans call for us to initially mine coal near our existing Bright reserves, continue to lease coal to other producers, and to sell the extensive timber rights." Included in the timber rights are 350 million board feet of Appalachian hardwoods.

NERCO Coal Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of NERCO Inc., one of the leading North American producers of coal, gas, oil, gold and silver. Approximately 82 percent of NERCO's common stock is owned by PacifiCorp (NYSE: PPW), a diversified electric utility.

CONTACT: Robert S. Hess, 503-731-6678, or Richard T. O'Brien, 503-731-6732, both of NERCO Inc.; or Milton T. Jones of NERCO Coal Corp., 314-872-2519

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#90299p0223 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Ringer Corporation (NASDAQ: RING) today announced the issuance and sale of an additional 135,000 shares of common stock upon exercise by the underwriters of their over-allotment option in connection with the company's initial public offering of 1,000,000 shares of common stock on Sept. 26, 1990.

Ringer Corporation is a developer and leading marketer of environmentally compatible lawn, garden and turf products for consumers and specialty commercial and professional markets. The company's product lines include microbially driven fertilizers and biological and botanical pest controls which are offered as alternatives to chemical fertilizers and pesticides. The company also offers a line of composting products.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

CONTACT: Mark S. Robinow of Ringer, 612-941-4180

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#90299p0225 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARSIPPANY, N.J. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Armco Inc. (NYSE: AS) announced today it has honored the request of chairman Robert E. Boni to retire from active employment with the company effective Nov. 30, 1990. The board has elected Robert L. Purdum, Armco president and chief executive officer, to the additional position of chairman effective Dec. 1, 1990.

Dr. Boni, Armco chairman since February, 1986, will continue as a member of the Board.

In a formal statement, the board said: "It is not possible to overstate the contributions Bob Boni has made to this company throughout his long career, especially during his years as chairman and chief executive officer. With personal dedication and leadership, he successfully guided Armco through its most difficult time in history. While we accept with regret his wish to step down as chairman, we are pleased he will remain an active member of the board. Importantly, we have great confidence that his successor, Bob Purdum, can provide the farsighted vision necessary to move this company forward."

Dr. Boni commented, "I have worked closely with Bob Purdum for the past six years and I am confident of his leadership ability. It is my feeling he is precisely the person this company needs at the helm at this particular time. I appreciate the board granting my request to be relieved of the responsibilities of chairman. I look forward to serving Armco as a board member as long as I can be of value to the company."

Purdum, who is 55, was elected chief executive officer of Armco Inc. in April, 1990, and has been a member of Armco's board of directors since 1986. He is a Purdue University graduate with a degree in civil engineering. After service as a naval officer, he joined Armco's former metal products division as a sales engineer in 1962. He advanced through a variety of assignments and became president of Armco's midwestern steel division in 1978. Two years later was named area vice president with responsibility for four Armco Divisions.

Purdum became chief executive officer of Armco's steel group in 1982 and was named chief operating officer of Armco Inc. in 1985. He was elected president of Armco in 1986.

Dr. Boni, 62, became chairman of Armco in February, 1986. He is a metallurgical engineer with a bachelor's degree from the University of Cincinnati and a master's and doctorate degree from Carnegie-Mellon University. He joined Armco's research organization in 1956 after service with the U.S. Army. He advanced through a variety of assignments in research and was elected vice president for research and technology in 1976.

CONTACT: Lee Bland of Armco, 201-316-5276

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#90299p0227 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CADILLAC, MICH (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - George R. Kempton, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Kysor Industrial Corporation (NYSE: KZ), announced the following action taken at the board of directors meeting held on Friday, Oct. 26, 1990:

DIVIDEND ANNOUNCEMENT -- The board of directors approved the payment of the regular quarterly dividend of $.15 per share, payable Jan. 31, 1991, on stock of record Jan. 16, 1991.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION -- Quarter and Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990 -- Sales and revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $60.8 million compared to $55.0 million last year, an increase of 10.4 percent. Earnings applicable to common stock were $1.5 million or $.28 per share, up from $0.2 million or $.03 per share in 1989. Commercial Products sales of $40.7 million were 17 percent above last year, while Transportation Products sales for the third quarter were $19.7 million, down 2 percent from 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales and revenues were $180.1 million compared to $178.3 million last year. Earnings applicable to common stock and primary earnings per share reported for the nine-month period were $4.5 million, up 94 percent from 1989 and equated to $.80 per share compared to $2.3 million and $.36 earned in the first nine months of 1989.

Prospects for the remainder of 1990 are uncertain. Increased sales volume for Commercial Products will be offset by lowered Transportation Products sales in the marine and heavy truck markets along with the effects of a rapidly declining national economy. Kysor is expending efforts to reduce costs and improve productivity and end the year on a continuing positive trend.

CONTACT: Clayton C. Jesweak or Richard G. De Boer of Kysor Industrial Corporation, 616-779-2200

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank of Southern California (OTC "Pink Sheets") today reported year-to-date earnings through Sept. 30, 1990 of $785,000, or $.49 per share. This compares with nine-month earnings of $783,000, or $.62 per share for the prior year. Pre-tax income for the year increased 10 percent, however, tax expense increased more than 28 percent in the current year because of the utilization of prior tax carryforwards in 1989. For the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $237,000, equal to $.14 per share, compared with $244,000, or $.19 for the third quarter of 1989.

Ronald P. Bird, president and chief executive officer, stated, "We are pleased with the growth in pre-tax earnings after the addition of several outstanding officers from the former La Jolla Bank and Trust management team."

Total assets advanced to $162.2 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $120.2 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Deposits increased to $150.8 million from $111.7 million while net loans rose to $110.3 million from $77.2 million.

Bank of Southern California offers three conveniently located offices: the Midway office at 3026 Midway Drive; the Point Loma office at 1004 Rosecrans St.; and the San Diego office at 1620 Fifth Ave.

CONTACT: Ronald P. Bird, president and CEO of Bank of Southern California, 619-239-7337

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#90299p0230 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - L.B. Foster Co. (NASDAQ: FSTRA) announced

today that it has agreed to plead guilty to a one-count information of knowingly storing hazardous waste without a permit at the company's facility in Parkersburg, W.Va.

The maximum penalty for this violation is $500,000. Lee B. Foster II, president and chief executive officer of the company, stated, "The actions that created this unfortunate situation took place in 1986 and the company has since instituted procedures designed to prevent the reoccurrence of such actions. L.B. Foster Co. prides itself on being a good corporate citizen and is committed to operating its business in accordance with sound environmental practices."

L.B. Foster Co., located in Pittsburgh, is a manufacturer, fabricator and distributor of construction, rail and tubular products.

CONTACT: Lee B. Foster of L.B. Foster Co., 412-928-7842

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#90299p0233 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - NBD Bank is sponsoring a conference on alternative approaches to affordable housing for individuals, churches, community-based organizations, realtors and developers. The conference will be held Saturday, Nov. 3, at University of Detroit Mercy Conference Center in Detroit.

Beverly Smith, director of NBD's Civic and Urban Affairs Department, explained that the conference aims to provide the public with critical information about affordable housing.

"We are all aware that there is a lack of affordable housing in the Detroit metropolitan area," she said. "Often a person's credit history is a barrier to obtaining affordable housing. At this conference, we will provide individuals and groups with information about the many ways to finance a home or housing project and combat this problem."

The conference will begin a 8:30 a.m. with a continental breakfast and remarks from keynote speaker Nelson W. Saunders, state representative from the 7th Legislative District. Saunders will speak about the Neighborhood Revitalization Act, pending legislation that would reduce property taxes for people who build or rehabilitat a home in certain Michigan cities, including Detroit.

At 9:30 a.m., participants will attend any of four workshops. One workshop is designed to provide creative financing information for individuals who want to buy a home or improve their present home.

Another workshop will educate church leaders on how they can help with

affordable housing in their neighborhoods. A third workshop is specifically designed to educate community groups about organizing development projects. The last of the four workshops will provide realtors and developers with information on how to use financial support programs and invest in affordable housing projects. The workshops will be led by experts in each of these specialty areas.

After the workshops, attendees can participate in a panel discussion with Dr. Larry Ledebur, director of the Center for Urban Studies at Wayne State University, and representatives from other cities including Cleveland and Pittsburgh, which have similar housing problems.

The panel discussion will center around studies commissioned by NBD Bank on barriers to mortgage financing and the need for a strategic housing plan in Detroit. Panel members also will discuss how plans were developed for their cities.

The cost of the conference is $15 for individuals and the first person from an organization and $10 for each additional person attending from the same organization. All participants must preregister by calling 313-225-3492.

CONTACT: Kimberly A. Showers of NBD Bank, 313-225-2831

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#90299p0236 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, N.C. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Engineers from the North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation (NCEMC) are working today to startup the new Ocracoke Power Station and restore electric power to Ocracoke Island on the Outer Banks.

The newly-constructed three-megawatt generating station in Ocracoke village has been undergoing test operations.

"We're going to put it to a real-life test," said Wayne D. Keller, executive vice president of the statewide rural cooperative power system based in Raleigh.

"Our Ocracoke plant has not yet been placed in commercial operation but we believe it's ready to do emergency service."

Keller said an initial problem was getting NCEMC engineers to the Ocracoke plant with Bonner Bridge, the only bridge, out. Ferries are not running and winds are too high to fly to Ocracoke Airport.

He said NCEMC will attempt to restore power to Ocracoke Island, one of the two islands affected, by late Friday.

NCEMC engineers from Raleigh will join NCEMC staff at Ocracoke to bring the generation station safely into operation.

The generating station was built this summer by NCEMC to meet peak power demands and to improve reliability of service.

Power was interrupted to both Hatteras and Ocracoke Islands this morning when a dredge was swept by high winds into the Herbert C. Bonner bridge across Oregon Inlet. A section of the bridge has collapsed, isolating both islands from the mainland.

NCEMC is a statewide power system serving 27 electric power cooperatives in North Carolina. The $1.6 billion power system owns generation facilities at the Catawba Nuclear Station south of Charlotte in addition to the Ocracoke Island facility and the Buxton facility under construction.

CONTACT: Owen Bishop, Director of Information Services, North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation, Inc., 919-872-0800

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ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Milton Roy Company (NYSE: MRC) today reported its third quarter revenues were up 19 percent over the levels of a year ago while earnings per share were unchanged. The company stated that the favorable impact of higher sales was offset by increased marketing and administrative costs and a higher effective income tax rate. Sales for the third quarter were $35,868,000 compared with $30,040,000 reported for the similar period of 1989. Net income for the three month period was $1,536,000 or 28 cents per share compared with $1,619,000 or 28 cents per share reported last year.

Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $107,230,000 compared with $94,283,000 reported for the similar period in 1989. Net income for the nine month period was $5,405,000 or 99 cents per share compared with $6,649,000 or $1.18 per share. Included in 1989's net income is $2,500,000 or 44 cents per share resulting from the sale of the company's liquid chromatography product line.

Commenting on the quarterly results, Milton Roy president, Richard E. Schmidt, stated: "Our sales benefited from increased demand for our fluid control products and from the incremental revenues generated by the analytical instrument companies acquired in 1990. Both revenues and operating expenses reflect increases as a result of higher foreign exchange rates. We also incurred higher administrative expenses due to the company's activities associated with its pending merger with Sundstrand Corporation."

Schmidt further stated: "In comparison to 1989 results, both 1990's third

quarter and nine months earnings were affected by a higher effective tax rate. This is due to a larger portion of income being earned by our foreign operations which are subject to higher tax rates."

Milton Roy is a multinational manufacturing company which produces process control equipment and analytical instruments. Major product lines includes metering and centrifugal pumps, spectrophotometers, mass spectrometers and environmental and automotive emissions testing equipment. These products are used in a wide variety of industrial, research and educational applications where they control and monitor the flow of liquids and analyze the components of a complex mixture of fluids or gases.

CONTACT: John M. McNamara, vice president-finance of Milton Roy Company, 813-823-4444

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VANCOUVER, WA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Pacific Telecom Inc. (PTI) (NASDAQ: PTCM) reported increased revenues and net income for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30 compared to the same period last year. While revenues increased in the third quarter 1990, net income decreased from the comparable period last year.

Net income for the third quarter 1990 was $18.5 million, or 48 cents per common share, a decrease of 19 percent from the previous year. Operating revenues and operating expenses both increased due to the acquisition of North-West Telecommunications Inc. and the sale of capacity on the North Pacific Cable, a fiber optic cable being constructed between the United States and Japan, which is expected to be in service in early 1991. The increased operating income resulting from the North-West acquisition and the sales of cable capacity was offset by decreased operating income for PTI's long lines subsidiary resulting from intrastate rate reductions and the effect of favorable out-of-period revenue adjustments recorded in the third quarter 1989. Other expenses increased primarily due to additional interest expense related to debt incurred to acquire North-West and the effect of interest income recorded in 1989 related to a toll revenue dispute.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30 was $64.6 million, or $1.68 per common share, a 21 percent increase over 1989. Operating income was slightly higher as improvements in PTI's local exchange, international and trans-Pacific cable operations were offset by lower long lines operating income. Other income increased due to the $18.5 million pre-tax gain that resulted from the February 1990 sale of a subsidiary providing satellite-based cellular telephone and private line communication services in the Gulf of Mexico.

By action of the board of directors on Oct. 26, a dividend of 29 cents per

common share was declared. The dividend will be payable Dec. 3 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 16.

PACIFIC TELECOM INC.
CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited, in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months		Nine Months	
Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$204,433	$171,267	$527,321	$488,383
Operating expenses	164,678	131,195	424,507	386,035
Operating income	39,755	40,072	102,814	102,348
Other income (expense):				
Interest expense	(13,512)	(8,168)	(34,081)	(24,441)
Interest income	1,839	3,001	10,425	4,147
Diversified activities	--	(1,686)	--	(3,630)
Other	393	359	15,856	(1,026)
Total other income (expense)	(11,280)	(6,494)	(7,800)	(24,950)
Income before income taxes	28,475	33,578	95,014	77,398
Income taxes	9,955	10,713	30,368	24,150
Consolidated net income	$ 18,520	$ 22,865	$ 64,646	$ 53,248
Net income per common share	$ 0.48	$ 0.60	$ 1.68	$ 1.39
Average shares outstanding	38,881	38,395	38,557	38,395

CONTACT: Brian M. Wirkkala of Pacific Telecom Inc., 206-696-0983

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O'FALLON, MO (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Venture Stores Inc. announced today that its Board of Directors has declared a dividend in the amount of thirteen and one-half cents ($.135) per share on the issued and outstanding common stock of the corporation. The dividend is payable on Dec. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 1, 1990.

Venture will be spun-off from The May Department Stores Co. on No. 3, 1990. May common stockholders of record as of Oct. 15, 1990 will receive .13 shares of common stock of Venture Stores Inc. for each share of May common stock.

Venture operates 79 quality discount retail stores in Missouri, Iowa, Illinois Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Indiana, and Kentucky.

CONTACT: Philip G. Otto of Venture Stores, 314-281-7800

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#90299p0247 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLEASANTVILLE, NJ (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - J.G. Salomone, chief financial officer of Atlantic Energy Inc. (NYSE: ATE) today announced consolidated financial results for the 12 months and third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Atlantic Energy is the parent company of Atlantic City Electric Co. (ACE), its primary subsidiary, and Atlantic Generation Inc., Atlantic Southern Properties Inc. and ATE Investment Inc.

Total consolidated operating revenues for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased to $724.8 million from $693.4 million for the prior 12-month period. Net income for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $78.7 million compared with $77.7 million for the prior period. Earnings per share for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $3.47, compared with $3.70 per share for the same period last year. Salomone stated, "The decline in earnings was expected. Even though we experienced an increase in revenues and net income, those gains were offset by the fact there are now 8 percent more average shares outstanding than a year ago."

The higher level of revenues resulted from increased kilowatt-hour sales and the partial effects of a provisional base rate increase granted in late June 1990. At that time, ACE began recovering through base rates a portion of the costs associated with ACE's four-year power purchase arrangement with Philadelphia Electric Co. In addition to increased revenues, other factors affecting net income for the 12-month period were operations and maintenance expenses which decreased $15.1 million to $177.3 million. This decrease was due in part to lower maintenance expenses incurred during the 12-month period at ACE's wholly owned and jointly owned generating stations and the return to service of the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station. Net income was also affected by purchased power expenses that increased $15.7 million to $49 million, primarily as a result of the PE arrangement. Federal income tax expense increased $13.9 million to $31.5 million, largely due to favorable tax determinations recorded in 1989 as well as increased tax expense from higher reported net income. Depreciation expense increased $3.4 million to $61.2 million and reflects the effects of increased amounts of electric plant in service.

Energy sales recorded by ACE for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 3.6 percent to 2.2 billion kilowatt-hours. Energy sales to residential, commercial, industrial and other customers increased 2.9 percent, 4.8 percent and 2.4 percent, respectively, reflecting increased numbers of customers in the residential and commercial classes and higher average energy consumption by all customers.

CONTACT: Lois F. Jennings, 609-645-4247, or evenings, 609-794-3141, or Robert K. Marshall, 609-645-4655, or evenings, 609-653-4421, both of Atlantic Energy

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Polaroid Corporation (NYSE: PRD) announced today that it has filed a motion in the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts asking the court to amend the recent judgment in Polaroid's patent suit against Eastman Kodak (NYSE: EK).

On Oct. 12, 1990, the U.S. District Court entered judgment for Polaroid in the amount of $909 million. Today's motion asks the court to reconsider and amend the judgment entered on Oct. 12. If the amendments Polaroid is requesting of the court are adopted, the amount awarded will be increased from $909 million by approximately $173 million.

Today's motion is not an appeal from the decision rendered by the court on Oct. 12. Polaroid's right to make such an appeal continues to be available.

CONTACT: Sam Yanes of Polaroid Corporation, 617-577-4191

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#90299p0253 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, ARIZ. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Swift Transportation Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: SWFT) announced today revenues and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter increased 29 percent to $41.2 million, compared with $31.8 million for the corresponding period in 1989. Net earnings increased 42 percent to $1.9 million or 27 cents per share, compared to $1.3 million or 25 cents per share for the corresponding quarter a year ago.

Revenues increased because of the company's continued fleet expansion resulting primarily from the acquisition of Kaibab Transportation on June 1, 1990 and the company's revenue surcharge to cover higher fuel costs.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 25 percent to $113.7 million from $91.1 million in the first nine months of 1989. Net earnings increased to $5.3 million or 90 cents per share, compared to $2.3 million or 43 cents per share.

SWIFT TRANSPORTATION CO. INC. FINANCIAL SUMMARY
(Consolidated, Unaudited in Thousands, Except Per Share Data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating Revenues	$41,179	$31,848	$113,679	$91,121
Operating Expenses				

Salaries, Wages and Benefits	16,188	12,046	43,514	32,938
Fuel and Fuel Taxes	5,517	2,614	13,637	8,665
Operating Supplies and Exp.	3,963	2,992	10,527	8,387
Purchased Transportation	2,826	3,969	9,301	14,008
Rental Expense	2,140	764	4,275	2,201
Insurance and Claims	1,196	1,052	3,894	3,011
Depreciation and Amortization	3,072	2,960	9,370	8,228
Communication and Utilities	526	432	1,431	1,285
Operating Taxes and Licenses	2,022	1,425	5,329	4,195
Total Operating Expenses	37,450	28,254	101,278	82,918
Operating Income	3,729	3,594	12,401	8,203
Interest Expense (Net)	940	1,623	4,062	4,588
Other Income	(419)	(256)	(569)	(193)
Earnings Before Income Tax	3,208	2,227	8,908	3,808
Income Taxes	1,315	893	3,652	1,527
Net Earnings	1,893	1,334	5,256	2,281
Earnings Per Share	.27	.25	.90	.43
Shares Used in Per Share Calculations	6,974	5,300	5,871	5,300

CONTACT: Jerry Moyes, president, or Bill Riley, CFO, of Swift Transportation Co. Inc., 602-269-9700

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#90299p0254 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

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CONTACT: Jerry Moyes, president, or Bill Riley, CFO, of Swift Transportation Co. Inc., 602-269-9700

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#90299p0255 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE, (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Dolores Billett Rawlings was elected secretary of Crown Central Petroleum Corp. (AMEX: CNP) effective Nov. 1, 1990.

She will continue as the assistant to the chairman of the corporation. Rawlings has served as an assistant to the chairman for more than 10 years, and as an assistant secretary. She attended the University of Baltimore.

CONTACT: William R. Snyder of Crown Central, 301-539-7400

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ALLISON PARK, PA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Laurel Savings Association (NASDAQ: LARL) today reported results for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the period was $142,000 or $0.28 per share. These results compare with net income of $179,000 or $0.37 per share for the same quarter a year ago. Net interest income before provision for loan losses rose 7.5 percent to $1,106,000 vs. $1,029,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. At Sept. 30, 1990, Laurel Savings had total assets of $157,907,000 and stockholders' equity of $10,183,000 or $20.81 per share.

Results for the current quarter reflect continued strength in the association's core earnings as well as stable net interest income. In addition book value per share increased 3.9 percent vs. the first quarter of fiscal 1990. The reduction in net income when compared to the prior year is attributable to a significantly greater addition to Laurel Savings' reserve for possible loan losses. The loan loss provision in the current quarter was $177,000 vs. $74,000 in the first fiscal quarter last year. As stated previously, the increased loan loss provision is in keeping with management policy to prudently reserve for possible problem loans.

Laurel Savings Association is a 103-year-old, Pennsylvania-chartered, SAIF-insured savings association conducting business through six offices in Allegheny and Butler counties.

CONTACT: Edwin R. Maus, president of Laurel Savings, 412-487-7400

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#90299p0261 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pittston Company (NYSE: PCO) reported today that a subsidiary has completed the sale of its Widen property located in West Virginia for $18.6 million in cash. The Widen property consists of about 80,000 acres containing timber, oil and gas and coal values. The oil and gas rights were excluded from the sale.

The company in its second quarter shareholders' report said that proposals were being received and evaluated for the possible sale of the Widen property in line with Pittston's policy of being willing to consider the sale of assets that might have greater value to others.

The Pittston Company is a diversified firm engaged in mining and marketing of bituminous coal through the Pittston Coal Group, Inc. and Pyxis Resources Company, air freight services through Burlington Air Express Inc., security transportation through Brink's, Incorporated, and home security services through Brink's Home Security, Inc.

CONTACT: William J. Byrne of Pittston, 203-863-1274

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#90299p0265 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE, (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The U S WEST Foundation will again honor a teacher from Washington state through the U S WEST Outstanding Teacher Program the company said today.

Now entering its fourth year, the program recognizes unusual teacher talent at the elementary and secondary school levels in the 14 states served by the U S West Communications subsidiary.

The teacher selected as Washington State's 1991 Outstanding Teacher will receive a $5,000 cash award. In addition, three of U S WEST's 14 outstanding teachers will receive a year's salary and expenses to pursue professional development. Selection is based on how the teacher intends to apply the year-long sabbatical experience to future teaching activities in their community. No similar sabbatical program exists in the region for teachers in the kindergarten through high school grade level.

"The program looks for those teachers whose commitment to students and betterment of the educational environment can be recognized for truly reaching beyond the classroom walls," said George Walker, vice president and chief executive officer for U S WEST, in announcing that nominations are being sought for the 1991 teacher program.

Last year, Connie Iverson, a teacher from Eugene P. Tone School Project in Tacoma, was selected as Washington's Outstanding Teacher. Barbara Haueisen, Lincoln High School in Tacoma, and Richard Howell, Kelso High School, were also recognized for their work in the classroom and received $1,000 cash awards.

Information about the program and nomination materials can be obtained by writing the U S WEST Foundation, 7800 East Orchard Road, Suite 300, Englewood, CO 80111.

CONTACT: Lisa Bowersock of U S WEST Communications, 206-345-6885

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#90299p0266 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEWPORT BEACH, CA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Motor Cars along with its Orange County dealers will mark the end of the "Festival of Britain" at the South Coast Plaza Sunday with the drawing of the winners of a free week in England.

The drawing will be held at 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, in the plaza between the Carousel and the May Company. Jointly sponsored by McLean Sterling of Tustin and Naber's Sterling of Costa Mesa and Sterling Motor Cars, importers of the British luxury Sterling automobiles, the winner receives a trip for two to London.

The Festival of Britain, which included visits to the Plaza by members of the royal family, has been going on since Oct. 12.

CONTACT: Michael Geylin of Kermish-Geylin Public Relations, 212-315-4930, for Sterling Motor Cars

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#90299p0272 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON, (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - LL&E Royalty Trust (NYSE: LRT) announced today that its monthly distribution to unit holders will be made on Nov. 15, 1990 to unit holders of record on Nov. 5, 1990. This distribution represents amounts payable to the trust with respect to production for the month of August 1990.

The total amount of the November distribution will be $989,067 or approximately $.05208 per unit. Excess expenses of $17,000 associated with the Jay Field were recouped in the current month, with a resulting distribution of approximately $214,000. Due to the nature and timing of other operating and capital projects along with fluctuation in monthly production as well as the price of crude oil, this distribution is not necessarily indicative of future monthly distributions.

As previously announced, the working interest owner has begun to escrow amounts for the Fort Worth Basin property in connection with the issue of recapture of intangible drilling and development costs under Section 1254 of the Internal Revenue Code. The trust's interest in the amount escrowed from the current month's distribution and the cumulative balance of such are $3,378.42 and $524,897.68 respectively. As stated last month, pending the possible appeal by the IRS of the previously announced favorable ruling rendered by the United States Tax Court on the Section 1254 issue, the working interest owner has made no decision on whether and when these amounts will be released from escrow.

The working interest owner has determined under the terms of the trust documents that it is eligible to escrow funds from all trust properties for

the 1254 recapture issue. However, it has advised the trustee that it does not intend to exercise its rights to escrow funds, other than for the Fort Worth Basin, for this issue for the November 1990 distribution. However, the working interest owner intends to continue to monitor its estimates of relevant factors in order to evaluate the necessity of escrowing funds for this issue on an ongoing basis. The working interest owner is under no obligation to give any advance notice to the trustee or the unit holders in the event it determines that funds should be escrowed. If the working interest owner does begin to escrow such funds with respect to the productive properties, other than Fort Worth Basin, the effect on royalties paid to the trust would be significant, and in certain circumstances could eliminate distributions for a period of time.

CONTACT: Roark Ashie of First City, Texas-Houston, N.A., 713-658-7639

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#90299p0274 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Taunton Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: TTEK) and VISX, Incorporated (NASDAQ: VISX), leaders in the development of sophisticated ophthalmic devices which have the potential to eliminate the need for eyeglasses or contact lenses, today announced that the merger of the two firms was approved at a special meeting of VISX's stockholders.

The merger provides for the issuance of one share of Taunton common stock for each 1.3597 shares of VISX outstanding. After the merger, VISX's present shareholders will own approximately 33 percent of the combined company, and Taunton will change its name to VISX, Incorporated. Consummation of the merger, which is expect to occur on or about Nov. 30, is subject to the satisfaction of a condition relating to dissenters' rights under California law.

CONTACT: William L. Bennett, chairman of Taunton Technologies, 212-758-8500; or Alan R. McMillen, president of VISX, 408-732-9882

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#90299p0275 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) announced today that it has filed a motion in U.S. District Court in Boston, asking the court to amend its Oct. 12 judgment in the Kodak/Polaroid patent litigation.

The company's motion asks the court to consider reducing the $909.5 million judgment by $48 million to $861.5 million. The motion is based on what the company believes are clerical errors in the calculation of damages, royalty and interest.

Today's motion is not an appeal and Kodak's right to appeal the Oct. 12 decision continues to be available.

CONTACT: Paul C. Allen of Eastman Kodak Company, 716-724-5802

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#90299p0278 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KAN. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE -- Jack Braly has been named president of Beech Aircraft Corporation, replacing Max E. Bleck, who will assume the presidency of the Raytheon Company (NYSE: RTN).

Both moves will be effective March 1, 1991. Between now and that date Bleck will work with Braly on the transition into the new assignment. Beech, the leading business and general aviation aircraft manufacturer, is a subsidiary of Raytheon Company.

Braly, a veteran Beech executive, brings extensive management and manufacturing experience to the position. His most recent assignment was as vice president - Operations, responsible for manufacturing the company's full line of aircraft.

"Mr. Braly has continually demonstrated excellent judgment and management creativity," Bleck said. "He is an extremely capable executive. I look forward to Mr. Braly's leadership at Beech," he added. As Beech president, Braly will continue to report to Bleck and will be responsible for the total operation of the company.

Braly joined Beech in 1978 as assistant to the group vice president. The next year he was promoted to manager of Plant II Manufacturing.

Since then he has served in increasingly responsible management positions. In 1983 he was named vice president -- Manufacturing, and in 1987 to vice president - Operations.

Before joining Beech, Braly was with Martin Marietta Aerospace as a nuclear physicist on NASA's Skylab Project.

He has been active in the Wichita Area Chamber of Commerce and the East Wichita Rotary Club. Braly is a graduate of the University of Northern Colorado and earned a master of science degree from the School of Physics at Colorado State University. He is a fully instrument rated pilot and qualified in most Beech business aircraft.

Beech Aircraft Corporation is a subsidiary of Raytheon Company, an international technology-based company active in electronics, aviation, appliances, industry services, construction and publishing.

CONTACT: Jim Gregory of Beech Aircraft Corporation, 316-676-7689

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#90299p0281 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - VAALCO Energy, Inc., (Vancouver: VEI) a Houston-based oil producer and explorer, announces the spudding of its West Linapacan-1 well, offshore Palawan Island, the Republic of the Philippines. The well is being drilled by the Reading and Bates semi-submersible "Jim Cunningham" in 1142 ft. of water.

The West Linapacan-1 structure is a faulted anticline with a mapped areal closure of 3200 acres and a vertical thickness of 922 ft. The well is programmed to be drilled to a depth of approximately 6,000 ft. The primary zones of interest lie between -4865 ft. and -5423 ft. in the Galoc Clastic and Galoc Limestone units. Drilling to the first interval of interest should require approximately 21 days.

Additionally, VAALCO wishes to advise that the most recent sale of crude oil from the Philippine fields achieved an average price of approximately US$39.18 per barrel.

CONTACT: Jarrel D. Branson, of VAALCO Energy Inc. 713-963-8869

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#90299p0283 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROWAYTON, CONN. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Baldwin Technology Company, Inc. (AMEX: BLD), announced today that net sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were up 21 percent to $47.9 million compared to $39.7 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. For the same period, net income was $1,449,000, a decrease of 39 percent from $2,377,000 for the prior year period. Net income per common and common equivalent share was 8 cents per share for the current period compared to 15 cents per share for the prior year period. Weighted average equivalent shares outstanding during the period were 17,924,589 versus 16,062,820 for the prior year period. Orders and backlog were up 23 percent and 34 percent, respectively, driven by new acquisitions.

The company indicated that while the first quarter had always been its weakest due to normal four-to-five week plant shutdowns in Europe and in some U.S. units during July and August, the principal reason for the lower results is further weakness and recessionary trends in the printing and printing equipment industry, particularly in the United States and the United Kingdom. The move by the company's German subsidiary to expanded facilities also dampened results temporarily. In addition, economic uncertainty caused by events in the Middle East and the resultant oil price shock has slowed overall business activities. The recently completed Misomex acquisition had only two months of activity, while carrying the full burden of acquisition costs.

The company noted that while it was taking cost-reduction and certain other measures at specific business units, its operations are not necessarily quarterly driven and it continues to be well placed and balanced in world markets.

Baldwin Technology Company Inc. is a leading multinational manufacturer of material handling, accessory, control and pre-press equipment for the printing industry. For the year ended June 30, 1990, Baldwin had net sales of approximately $183 million and net income of approximately $12.1 million.

CONTACT: Helen P. Oster of Baldwin Technology, 203-838-7470

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#90299p0287 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, CT (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Citytrust Bancorp, Inc. (NYSE: CYT) reported today a net loss of $29,472,000, or $7.01 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net income of $2,057,000, or 49 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months of 1990, the company had a net loss of $58,128,000, or $13.91 per share, compared to a net loss of $26,228,000, or $6.31 per share, in the similar period last year.

It was also announced that the company's bank subsidiary, Citytrust, has signed a memorandum of understanding with the State Banking Commissioner and the regional director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The memorandum, which is not a formal agreement, covers goals and corrective actions that the regulators expect Citytrust to implement to return the Bank to a satisfactory condition.

George F. Taylor, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Citytrust Bancorp, Inc. and Citytrust, said that, "The memorandum recognizes that management has already taken and continues to take steps to address the problems which affect the Bank."

The memorandum includes a number of items, among which are provisions relating to capital requirements, loan loss reserve and charge-off requirements, reduction of adversely classified assets, internal loan review, loan administration and underwriting, liquidity and funding, and management information reporting. The memorandum is one of the least severe forms of action available to the regulators. In addition, the parent company, Citytrust Bancorp, Inc., has entered into a written agreement with the Federal Reserve Board and the State Banking Commissioner that covers items similar to those in the bank's memorandum of understanding.

"The bleakest economy and most depressed real estate market that have

afflicted Connecticut and New England in the past 15 years" were cited by Taylor as factors in the company's financial losses.

"This economic downturn, which is affecting all banks in the state and region, is a cyclical adjustment that is working off the excessive construction-led growth of the 1980s," he commented. "A majority of the adjustments should be completed in the next several years, with the anticipation of a fairly strong recovery in the mid-1990s."

During the quarter, non-performing loans decreased $1 million to $269 million, while other real estate owned (OREO) stood at $44 million, an increase of $17 million. The increase in OREO represents progress in loan workout, with the Bank taking direct control of a greater percentage of problem properties. The company also stated that during the quarter it added approximately $18 million to the non-performing loan category for a major real estate developer.

The allowance for possible credit losses was $86 million at the end of the quarter, compared to $85 million as of June 30.

As of Sept. 30, the company's primary capital ratio was 4.36 percent and its total capital ratio was 5.82 percent. The bank's primary capital ratio was 5.08 percent and its total capital ratio was 5.46 percent. The minimum regulatory requirements for these ratios are 5.50 percent and 6.00 percent, respectively.

"To address our capital needs, we took the initiative in preparing a capital plan and reviewing it with the regulators several months ago," Taylor noted. "As part of the memorandum of understanding, we continue to keep the regulators informed of the actions being taken to increase our capital ratios."

The company's liquidity was aided by an improvement in the funding relationship between loans and deposits during the quarter. Third quarter loans (including ADC arrangements) declined by $110 million while total deposits declined by $4 million.

Assets as of Sept. 30 were $2.2 billion, a decline of $20 million from June 30. "This is part of an ongoing program of asset reduction to strengthen the company's capital position, improve credit quality and eliminate any dependence on short-term volatile liabilities," Taylor stated.

Citytrust Bancorp, Inc. is an independent Connecticut bank holding company. Its subsidiary, Citytrust, serves major markets throughout Connecticut and high-potential growth areas in New York through 46 retail branches and ten commercial lending offices.

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#90299p0290 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
ALLENTOWN, PA. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Products and Chemicals Inc. (NYSE: APD), which is teamed with General Dynamics Corp. (NYSE: GD) of St. Louis, on the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE's) Superconducting Super Collider (SSC) dipole magnet program, has been selected to enter into negotiations for a contract with that firm to provide cryogenic refrigeration services for the design and initial high-volume manufacture of superconducting magnets.

General Dynamics' space system division currently is negotiating for a contract as "leader" manufacturer on the SSC dipole magnet program, with Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX) of Pittsburgh, negotiating for a contract as the "follower" manufacturing organization. Contracts for these latter two firms would be valued in total at approximately $200 million.

Air Products' contract with General Dynamics will call for Air Products to supply the helium cryogenic refrigeration system, operating services, and liquid helium and liquid nitrogen necessary to support magnet cold testing requirements. The helium refrigeration will super cool the magnets to near absolute zero (4.35 Kelvin), at which temperature the electric current that powers the magnets will flow without resistance. Air Products is the world leader in supplying both liquid and gaseous helium, and cryogenic refrigeration services to commercial superconducting magnet applications such as magnetic resonance imaging facilities. In addition, Air Products designs and manufactures cryogenic equipment for the production, storage and transportation of helium.

Air Products and Chemicals Inc. is an international supplier of industrial gases and related equipment, chemical intermediates, and energy and environmental systems. The company has annual sales approaching $3 billion, operations in 24 countries and 14,000 employees. corporate headquarters are near Allentown.

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#90299p0293 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
BROOKLYN, NY (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Supreme Equipment & Systems Corp. (NASDAQ: SEQP), a manufacturer of filing cabinets and storage systems, today reported reduced deficits and lower sales for the fourth quarter and full fiscal year ended July 31, 1990. Martin Frederick, president, noted, "Management salary cuts and staff reductions continued through the fourth quarter, all part of a severe austerity program aimed at achieving a breakeven at sales levels lower than those currently being reported. Central to out return to profitability, however, is the sale of our 53rd Street manufacturing facility in Brooklyn, N.Y., for $3.2 million, the consummation of which is

contingent in part on the buyer receiving financing."

Frederick pointed out that "despite widely acknowledged problems that exist in the office supply manufacturing industry, Supreme sales seem to now be stabilizing, pointing to a return to profitability. Selling and manufacturing overhead during the year was reduced by approximately $3 million. In recent quarters labor and overhead reduction exceeded raw material cost increases, and going forward savings of almost $1.7 million per year will be achieved through last year's staff reduction along with the elimination of related fringe benefits."

For the fourth quarter ended July 31, 1990, net sales of Supreme Equipment amounted to $6,558,000 against $6,807,000 in the comparable period the year before. Net loss for the quarter was $1,053,000, or $.98 per share, compared with a loss in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989 amounting to $1,418,000, or $1.32 per share.

For the full year ended July 31, 1990, net sales amounted to $29,151,000, against $31,867,000 in fiscal 1989. Net loss for the fiscal 1990 year amounted to $2,240,000 or $2.09 per share, vs. a fiscal 1989 deficit of $2,951,000, equal to $2.75 per share. All per-share earnings have been computed on an average of 1,072,632 shares outstanding.

SUPREME EQUIPMENT & SYSTEMS CORP.
Statements of Operations and Retained Earnings
(Audited)

Periods ended	Three months		Twelve months	
July 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$6,558,000	$6,807,000	$29,151,000	$31,867,000
Loss before income taxes	(1,043,000)	(1,405,000)	(2,230,000)	(2,938,000)
Provision for income taxes	10,000	13,000	10,000	13,000
Net loss	$(1,053,000)	$(1,418,000)	$(2,240,000)	$(2,951,000)
Net loss per share	$(.98)	$(1.32)	$(2.09)	$(2.75)
Avg. no. of shrs. of comm. stk. outstg.	1,072,632	1,072,632	1,072,632	1,072,632

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#90299p0296 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

UNIVERSAL CITY, CA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Pictures has entered into a multi-year production agreement with Jim Sheridan and Noel Pearson, it was announced today (Oct. 26) by Tom Pollock, chairman of the MCA Motion

Picture Group, and Casey Silver, president of production for Universal Pictures.

The agreement gives Universal first look at all feature film projects developed by Sheridan and Pearson through their company, Ferndale Films. Suzanne Rothbaum will serve as vice president of development and production for the company.

"We are proud to be in partnership with such acclaimed filmmakers as Jim Sheridan and Noel Pearson," said Pollock. "The fact that their very first feature film, 'My Left Foot,' received five Academy Award nominations is a testimony to their desire and ability to make quality pictures."

In 1989, Sheridan wrote and directed "My Left Foot," which won him Academy Award nominations as Best Director and for Best Screenplay. Produced by Pearson, the film also won a Best Picture nomination and Oscars for Best Actor Daniel Day-Lewis and Best Supporting Actress Brenda Fricker, as well as the New York Film Critics Award, the Paris Critics Prize and the Donatello Award. Their second feature film, "The Field," starring Richard Harris, which Sheridan wrote and directed and Pearson produced, will be released this Christmas.

Rothbaum, who previously served as vice president of development at Patrick Palmer Productions, was the associate producer on the upcoming film "Mermaids " starring Cher. She has also worked in various production capacities on the motion pictures "Stanley & Iris" and "Moonstruck."

Ferndale Films will be based on the Universal Studios lot.

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#90299p0306 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Edisto Resources Corp. (AMEX:EDS) announced today that on Nov. 15, 1990 it would redeem 208,083 shares of its $2.60 Senior Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock (AMEX: EDS pr) for Common Stock issued by Edisto. Certificates to be redeemed were selected by lot from registered holders as of Oct. 23, 1990. Holders of certificates selected for redemption will be notified by Edisto in early November. An aggregate of 275,112 shares of Common Stock will be issued to meet redemption obligations for this quarter. Cash will be paid in lieu of issuing fractional shares.

Mandatory quarterly redemptions of 208,083 Preferred Shares will occur on each Feb. 15, May 15, Aug. 15, and Nov. 15, and will continue until May 15, 1992, when all Preferred Stock then outstanding will be redeemed. Preferred Stock may be redeemed, at the option of Edisto, in either Common Stock, cash or any combination thereof, at a price equal to $20 per share. Edisto will have

1,248,502 Preferred Shares outstanding following the November 15, 1990 redemption.

Edisto Resources Corp.'s consolidated activities include the production, exploration and development of oil and gas reserves and the transportation and marketing of natural gas.

CONTACT: Rhonda L. Wright of Edisto Resources Corp., 214-880-9330.

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#90299p0312 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - J.W. Hoar, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Trans World Airlines, has announced that James R. Jensen will head the airline's maintenance and engineering department at TWA's Kansas City maintenance base effective immediately.

Jensen's name will be submitted to TWA's Board of Directors for election to the position of senior vice president-maintenance and engineering at a later date.

Jensen will be responsible for all aspects of planning and implementing maintenance procedures on all TWA aircraft as well as contractual work the airline performs.

A resident of Kearny, Mo., Jensen earned his B.S. in mechanical engineering from Kansas State University in 1964 as well as an M.S. in education in 1980. Jensen and his wife, Mary Jeanne, have two sons who are enrolled in college.

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#90299p0316 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLESTON, WV (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: EBCI) the parent company of First Empire Federal Savings and Loan Association, today reported net earnings of $520,000 for the third quarter of 1990 as compared to $320,000 for the third quarter of 1989. This represents a 62.5 percent increase in net income over the previous year's third quarter. Net income for the first nine months was $2,105,000 compared to $1,001,000 for the same period in 1989. First quarter 1990 net income included $719,000, or $.56 per share net of tax, of tax refunds and interest thereon resulting from the out of court settlement of litigation with the Internal Revenue Service regarding losses on reciprocal loan sales and income received from early withdrawal penalties on certificates of deposits. Third quarter net income includes $115,000 in dividends from Ski Ventures, Inc. resulting from the sale of Snowshoe, a Pocahontas County, West Virginia ski resort. Earnings per share for the third quarter and year to date in 1990 amounted to $.41 and

$1.65 per share, respectively compared to $.25 and $.79 per share for the same period in 1989.

Stockholders' equity increased from $29.4 million at December 31, 1989 to $31.1 million at September 30, 1990. As previously announced, on October 16, 1990 the Board of Directors authorized the payment of an $.11 per share regular quarterly dividend on November 9, 1990 to stockholders of record on October 26, 1990. This represents a 22 percent increase from the previous regular dividend of $.09 per share. This is the ninth consecutive dividend since the company went public in July 1988.

Loan originations increased to $8.2 million for the third quarter compared to $7.5 million for the similar period in 1989. Loan originations for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 were $22.5 million, a decrease from 1989's record production of $28.3 million for the smiilar nine month period. The year to date decrease in originations is a direct result of a slower housing market, which is reflective of the national trend. The Company continues to maintain and improve its local market share and to adhere to strict quality origination standards.

Average net interest spread was 2.90 percent for the quarter ended September 30, 1990 compared to 2.23 percent for the quarter ended September 30, 1989, while the average net interest margin increased to 4.09 percent compared to 3.63 percent for the quarter ended September 30, 1989.

Mr. J. Christopher Thomas, President and Chief Operating Officer stated, "The third quarter earnings, exclusive of the $115,000 dividend from Ski Ventures, Inc., increased 26.5 percent from the same period in 1989. This favorable increase is a result of higher earning assets resulting from 1989's record loan originations and from the favorable performance of our adjustable rate loan portfolio."

First Empire Federal Savings and Loan Association operates ten offices in southern West Virginia. Eagle Bancorp, Inc. is traded on the NASDAQ SYSTEM (SYMBOL EBCI).

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
Eagle Bancorp Inc. and Subsidiary

(Unaudited)	9/30/90	12/31/89
(In thousands, except per share data)		
Assets Cash	$ 3,963	$ 2,881
Interest-bearing deposits	5,747	15,004
Investment securities	1,592	2,456
Mortgage-backed securities	4,236	4,686
Loans receivable, net	158,156	153,087
Accrued interest receivable	1,213	1,189
Other real estate owned	1,037	1,369
Premises and equipment	3,220	3,412

Other assets	888	617
Total assets	$ 180,052	$ 184,701
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Deposits: Noninterest-bearing	$ 4,052	$ 3,313
Interest-bearing	141,504	147,914
Total deposits	145,556	151,227
Advances by borrowers for taxes and insurance	637	872
Advances from FHLB of Pittsburgh	--	750
Employee Stock Ownership Plan Obligation	612	612
Federal and state income taxes	136	89
Other liabilities	1,995	1,708
Total liabilities	148,936	155,258
Stockholders' equity: Preferred Stock, $.10 par value; 2,500,000 shares authorized; none issued	--	--
Common Stock, $.10 par value; 5,000,000 shares authorized; 1,251,000 issued and 1,234,900 outstanding	125	125
Additional paid-in capital	10,434	10,434
Retained earnings	21,390	19,717
Less: ESOP shares purchased with debt	(612)	(612)
Treasury stock, at cost, 16,100 shares	(221)	(221)
Total stockholders' equity	31,116	29,443
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$ 180,052	$ 184,701

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Unaudited)	9 mos. ended		3 mos. ended	
(In thousands, except per-share data)	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Total interest and dividend income	$12,734	$11,915	$ 4,246	$ 4,006
Total interest expense	7,664	7,285	2,517	2,535
Net interest and dividend income	5,070	4,630	1,729	1,471
Provision for loan losses	147	95	71	25
Net interest and dividend income after provision for loan losses	4,923	4,535	1,658	1,446
Other income:				
Interest on litigation settlement	715	--	--	--
Loan fees and servicing				

charges	106	46	41	16
Service fees on deposits	117	110	38	38
Gain on sale of loans and investment securities, net	16	19	3	13
Other income, net	199	62	163	11
Total other income	1,153	237	245	78
Other expense:				
Compensation	1,475	1,432	493	478
Occupancy	322	298	120	101
Data processing	317	336	116	111
Equipment	235	262	78	92
Other	984	923	318	281
Total other expenses	3,333	3,251	1,125	1,063
Income before income taxes	2,743	1,521	778	461
Federal and state income taxes	638	520	258	141
Net income	$ 2,105	$ 1,001	$ 520	$ 320
Net income per share and common stock equivalent share	$ 1.65	$ .79	$ .41	$ .25
Common and common equiv. shares (000)	1,273	1,272	1,272	1,266

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(Unaudited)	9/30/90	9/30/89
(In thousands except per-share data)		
At quarter end:		
Total assets	$180,052	$172,528
Total deposits	145,556	135,247
Total loans, net	158,156	151,594
Stockholders' equity	31,116	29,065
Equity per share	24.44	23.55
For the quarter:		
Net interest income	$ 1,729	$ 1,471
Net income	520	320
Per share	.41	.25
Dividends	.09	.07
For the nine months:		
Net interest income	5,070	4,630
Net income	2,105	1,001
Per share	1.65	.79
Dividends	.35(a)	.21
Key financial ratios (percent):		
Return on average assets	1.42 pct.	.79 pct.
Return on average equity	8.30	4.62
Equity to assets	17.28	16.85
Market information Price range during last		

three months		
High	$ 18.50	$ 17.00
Low	14.50	13.00
Average outstanding		
Shares	1,234,900	1,233,900
Common stock equivalents	38,182	38,288

(a) Includes $.10 special dividend paid in February 1990.

CONTACT: J. Christopher Thomas, President and Chief Operating Officer, or Cindy S. McGhee, Controller, 304-340-4632, both of Eagle Bancorp, Inc.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - CXR Corporation (AMEX: CXR), a worldwide supplier of systems, instruments and modems for the data and telecommunications markets through its CXR Telcom, Digilog and CXR SA subsidiaries, today reported results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30. 1990.

The company had a net loss of $333,000, or 4 cents per share, on revenues of $7,729,000 vs. net income of $100,000, or 1 cent per share on revenues of $9,456,000 for the initial three months of the prior year. The results have been adjusted for the November 1989 merger with Digilog, Inc. on a pooling-of-interest basis.

CXR CORPORATION
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990(A)	1989(A)
Revenues	$7,729,000	$9,456,000
Net earnings (loss)	(333,000)	100,000
Earnings (loss) per share	($.04)	$.01
Average shares outstanding	7,743,000	7,753,000

(A) -- Adjusted for the November 1989 merger with Digilog, Inc. on a pooling-of-interest basis.

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#90299p0333 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, IDAHO (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Idaho Power (NYSE: IDA) today reported third-quarter earnings on common stock of $16.5 million, or 49 cents per share reflecting its strongest quarterly earnings performance of 1990. The continuing impacts of last winter's low snowpack on the company's

hydroelectric system largely account for the slight decline from 1989's comparatively strong third-quarter earnings of $18.6 million, or 55 cents per share.

"Below normal streamflows continued as expected, increasing our use of external power purchases and reliance upon higher cost coal-fired resources," said Dewey Hammond, Idaho Power's chief financial officer. "But healthy retail sales and a robust regional economy have helped keep our earnings picture in relatively good shape."

From July to September, streamflows were 25 percent below normal and 20 percent below last year, causing the utility's generation mix to be comprised of 45 percent hydro and 55 percent coal. A normal water year's composition is 54 percent hydro and 46 percent coal during the third quarter.

"We need a wet fall and winter to correct our generation mix," said Hammond, "and reverse the pressure being placed on earnings and other financial benchmarks by the cost of substituting coal for hydro."

The effects of increased power production costs and reduced off-system sales - another reflection of volume restrictions due to low streamflows - were offset significantly by strong third-quarter gains in energy sales to the residential commercial and agricultural sectors.

"The same hot, dry summer that impacted water conditions spurred above-normal demand for electricity in the third quarter," said Hammond. "The service territory's largest increase in pump-irrigated cropland in nine years coupled with an addition of 7,000 customers during the past 12 months demonstrates the continuing healthy growth of our economy."

Third-quarter operating revenues were $125.6 million, compared to $128.2 million in 1989.

For the nine months ending Sept. 30, results were: operating revenues of $347.0 million for 1990 and $379.6 million for 1989; net income of $48.6 million for 1990 and $64.4 million for 1989; earnings on common of $45.4 million for 1990 and $61.2 million for 1989 and earnings per share of $1.34 for 1990 and $1.80 for 1989.

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#90299p0338 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Green Tree Acceptance, Inc. (NYSE: GNT) has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 15 cents per share payable Dec. 31 to shareholders of record Dec. 15, 1990.

As of Sept. 30, Green Tree had 11,579,735 common shares outstanding. Green Tree Acceptance purchases, pools, sells and services conditional sales contracts for manufactured homes and home improvements through 42 regional offices nationwide. Green Tree's common stock is traded on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol "GNT".

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#90299p0346 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - ENCOAL Corp. and the U.S. Department of Energy announced today the groundbreaking for a demonstration plant to convert Powder River Basin coals into two new environmentally attractive fuels for use in electric utility and industrial boilers. ENCOAL Corp. is a subsidiary of Shell Mining Co., an affiliate of Shell Oil Co. The plant will be co-funded with the DOE through a cooperative agreement.

Located at the site of Shell's Triton Coal Co. Buckskin Mine, the plant will use a mild gasification process called Liquids from Coal (LFC) to convert about 1,000 tons per day of sub-bituminous coal into two low-sulfur fuels -- a solid similar to bituminous coal and a liquid similar in quality to a No. 6 fuel oil. The plant will yield daily about 500 tons of the solid fuel and about 500 barrels of the liquid fuel. The two fuels will give utilities and industry new options for reducing emissions, and for complying with existing air quality regulations and those expected to be included in the pending federal Clean Air Act amendments.

The $72.6 million project is scheduled to be completed and producing fuel by mid 1992. About 100 people will be employed during construction of the plant and 15 will be needed to operate it.

"We commend the U.S. Congress and Department of Energy for their leadership in finding new ways to use our coal resources more effectively and in a more environmentally benign manner," said Jack Mahaffey, Shell Mining Co. president.

The ENCOAL demonstration plant is one of 13 projects selected in the third round of the DOE's Clean Coal Technology Program. ENCOAL is the first participant in the third round to have successfully negotiated an agreement with the DOE and to pass congressional review.

The LFC process was originally developed by SGI International of La Jolla, Calif., and then licensed by SGI and Shell Mining under their partnership, TEK-KOL. Triton Coal Co., a subsidiary of Shell Mining Co., will furnish the plant site and fuel for the plant. The M. W. Kellogg Co. of Houston will be responsible for engineering, procurement and construction activities

associated with the project.

"Shell Mining is proud to be a part of the ENCOAL venture and we look forward to the success of not only this project, but hopefully to commercial-sized plants to be built in the future," said Mahaffey.

CONTACT: H.R. Hutchins or Mark Singer of Shell, 713-241-4544

-30- 2658

#90299p0352 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Medcross, Inc. (NASDAQ: MDCR) announced today that Dornier Medical Systems has informally notified the company of a delay of at least two years before any lithotripsy manufacturer receives approval from the FDA to market a biliary lithotripsy machine.

The delay will mean termination of the participation of Medcross Lithotripsy in the FDA investigational process. Medcross Lithotripsy is a profitable venture in which Medcross owns a 50 percent interest. The company's management had expected a significant reduction in the income from Medcross Lithotripsy in 1991 because of a contractual reduction in service fees.

Medcross Lithotripsy's equipment purchase contracts with both Dornier Medical Systems and the van manufacturer have buy back clauses which will enable the venture to sell back the equipment without loss.

Medcross expects to offset the loss of revenues from Medcross Lithotripsy by starting up new projects. The company plans to place a new mobile magnetic resonance imaging system into operation in late December. Other new projects are planned, as well.

CONTACT: Robert M. Irvin, president of Medcross, Inc., 813-521-1793

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#90299p0355 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 26.) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental and Colorado Ski Country USA announced today savings up to 50 percent on "Learn to Ski" packages within Colorado. The packages for beginner skiers include round trip airfare, lodging, group lesson, ski rental, and beginner lift tickets for as low as $276.00 per person.

This exclusive program also allows for a more experienced skier, when traveling with the novice, to receive an all mountain lift ticket, airfare, and lodging for the same price.

Seven of Colorado's top destination resorts are participating in the program, which is available from Nov. 27 through Dec. 14, including Breckenridge,

Copper Mountain, Crested Butte Mountain Resort, Keystone Resort, Vail, Steamboat, and Winter Park Resort.

"Continental Airlines has developed exceptional fares for this unique program available through Colorado Ski Country USA. Airfare booked in conjunction with this program will be the lowest of the ski season," said Bob Lepisto, vice president of Sales for Continental Airlines.

John Lay, president of CSCUSA, said, "A commitment has been demonstrated by the airline and the ski industry to come together to make skiing attractive, affordable, and less intimidating to the beginner skier."

Continental Airlines offers more than 145 daily flights to Denver, and from Denver, Continental Express operates frequent service to many Colorado ski destinations including, Crested Butte and Steamboat Springs. Continental Connection bus service provides "door-to-door" transportation to most major resorts from Denver's Stapleton Airport.

The "Learn to Ski" program is available in cities throughout the country, and have some restrictions including a minimum stay of two nights. These packages can be booked by calling 1-800-634-5555 and referring to the "Learn to Ski" program.

CONTACT: Continental Corporate Communications, 713-834-5080, or
Colorado Ski Country USA, 303-837-0793

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#90299p0357 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - To focus more attention on its retail and commercial banking operation, Home Federal Savings Bank of Atlanta will change its name to HomeBanc Federal Savings Bank.

Home Federal President Robert F. Tomain said the change is effective Monday, Oct. 29.

"For the past three years Home Federal has been expanding its retail and commercial banking operation. The new name HomeBanc better reflects who we are today, a strong financial institution with a leadership position in mortgage lending and a full complement of innovative financial services for banking customers," said Tomain.

Bank signage will begin changing immediately and be completed by Dec. 15. The bank intentionally retained the burgundy and grey color scheme of the old Home Federal logo as well as the word "home" and the traditional white columns to capitalize on existing name recognition, according to Tomain.

The 61-year-old savings bank has 10 branches in Cobb, Cherokee, DeKalb,

Gwinnett and Fulton counties. The bank reported 1989 earnings of $3 million with a return on average assets of .93.

CONTACT: Alexandra Pieper-Jones of Home Federal Savings Bank of Atlanta, 404-841-4672

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#90299p0358 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - In an innovative and unprecedented marketing strategy, Orion Pictures will advertise the November 21st openings of its adventure epic, "Dances With Wolves," co-produced, directed by and starring Kevin Costner, on a network of American Indian radio stations, which broadcast from South Dakota through the Southwestern United States.

Orion will provide these stations with special radio spots recorded in Lakota Sioux, the native language spoken throughout much of "Dances With Wolves." Most of these stations, which air mainly Native American and country-western music, broadcast entirely in American Indian languages.

Regarding this unique approach, Orion's president of marketing and distribution, David Forbes, comments, "Not only is this a sound and cost-effective way to reach a key audience for 'Dances With Wolves,' but it also gives us the opportunity to help support the Native American business community."

"Dances With Wolves" has been lauded in advance screenings for its authenticity of presentation of Indian life in the late 1860's, the period in which the film is set. In addition, it stars a large American Indian cast, including Graham Greene, Rodney A. Grant, Floyd Red Crow Westerman, Tantoo Cardinal, Doris Leader Charge and about 25 other actors in important speaking roles.

"Dances With Wolves" is a TIG Production for Orion Pictures release. Mary McDonnell and Robert Pastorelli also star in the film. It is produced by Jim Wilson and Kevin Costner, and directed by Costner from a screenplay by Michael Blake, based on his novel. The film will have a limited engagement on Nov. 9, and its national run will begin on Nov. 21.

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#90299p0360 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Midway Airlines Inc. (NYSE: MDW) today announced a net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $18,728,000 ($1.96 per fully diluted share) on revenues of $166,631,000 compared with net losses of $1,870,000 ($.19 per fully diluted share) on revenues of

$121,786,000 during the same 1989 quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, Midway Airlines reported net losses of $53,080,000 ($5.58 per fully diluted share) on revenues of $494,365,000 compared with net income of $6,137,000 ($.56 per fully diluted share) on revenues of $365,530,000 for the same period in 1989.

"As previously reported, Midway Airlines' third quarter results were influenced by three principal factors," said David R. Hinson, chairman and chief executive officer. "The company continued to incur the costs related to expansion of its Philadelphia hub while at the same time its operating costs were rising due to unprecedented increases in the price of aviation fuel.

"At present rates of consumption, the company has had to absorb in excess of $10 million in monthly operating expenses due to higher aviation fuel prices. During August its ability to recover these steep cost increases was adversely impacted by the discount pricing policies of other air carriers," said Hinson.

On Sept. 30, 1990, the company had 10,133,229 shares of common stock issued and outstanding.

Effective Oct. 6, Midway Airlines general reservations toll-free number outside Chicago is 800-866-9000. Special service numbers are: Telemarketing 800-866-9888, Group Sales 800-866-9555, French language 800-866-9010, and FlyersFirst 800-866-9070. In Chicago, the reservations number is 312-767-3400.

Midway Airlines offers coast-to-coast service from its hubs at Chicago's close-in Midway Airport and Philadelphia International Airport. Midway Airlines and its wholly-owned subsidiary, the Midway Commuter, serve 61 destinations in the United States, Canada, U.S. Virgin Islands and the Bahamas.

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MICH. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - PHM Corporation (NYSE: PHM), Bloomfield Hills, announced today its consolidated revenues, income, income before income taxes, income taxes and net income for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and the declaration of its regular quarterly dividend.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, PHM's net income was $5,177,000 ($.22 per share), compared with $9,515,000 ($.36 per share), including an extraordinary loss from early extinguishment of debt of $2,655,000 ($.10 per share) for the comparable period in 1989.

Sales from homebuilding operations in the third quarter of 1990 increased to

$211,259,000, from $186,694,000 in 1989. This resulted primarily from a seven percent increase in the average unit sales price to $134,000. Pre-tax income from homebuilding operations was $2,490,000 in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $6,348,000 in 1989. Pre-tax income for the third quarter of 1990 was negatively impacted by a reduction in gross margins caused by a change in the mix of sales to units with lower gross margins, and a softening of the housing market in certain divisions compared to the prior year.

During the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net new orders of $180,000,000 (1,371 units) were received, compared with $186,000,000 (1,385 units) during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Housing unit backlog at Sept. 30, 1990, increased to $300,000,000 (2,043 units) from $266,000,000 (1,792 units) at Sept. 30, 1989.

The company's financial services subsidiaries (mortgage banking, financing and thrift operations) had pre-tax income of $4,068,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $6,167,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The Board of Directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.03 per share on the company's common stock, payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990.

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HUDSON, CO (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The second test in the U.S. Air Force Car Assembly Launch Test Program (CALTP) was successfully carried out at noon (MDT) today by Westinghouse Electric Corp.'s (NYSE: WX) Sunnyvale, Calif.-based Marine Division at the Rocky Mountain Railcar Company facilities here.

The test involved a highly sophisticated, 89-foot-long, 550,000-pound engineering model (EM-1) of a Missile Launch Car (MLC) destined for use in the Peacekeeper Missile Program which has been undergoing extensive testing here for the past several months to validate the design.

This testing culminated today with the ejection of a 200,000-pound test vehicle simulating a Peacekeeper missile. The test vehicle reached a height of several hundred feet before landing in a recovery pit adjacent to the MLC.

Today's test will provide engineering data to verify that the MLC and the railbed can withstand the launch loads. The first live flight test using an actual missile is scheduled for 1992 at Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif.

The Rail Garrison concept is a mobile ICBM basing system, taking advantage of the current Peacekeeper missile system and the nation's existing commercial

railroad network.

The trains will be located in secure garrisons on existing Air Force bases throughout the continental United States. The trains will be parked in train alert shelters inside each garrisoned area during normal day-to-day operations with the missile remaining on continuous strategic alert. During periods of national need, the trains could be directed by higher authority to leave the garrison and disperse onto the nation's rail network.

Each train will include two locomotives, two security cars, two missile cars, a launch control car, a maintenance car and other supplemental cars.

Under a $167 million full-scale development contract award from the U.S. Air Force's Ballistic Missile Organization, Westinghouse is providing systems definition, design, development and test of the Peacekeeper Rail Garrison Missile Launch Cars.

CONTACT: Jim Reinhard, 202-835-2363; or Ann Grizzel, 301-765-6812, both of Westinghouse Electric Corporation

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DEARBORN, MI (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statement may be attributed to John P. King, Parts and Service Engineering Office manager, Ford Parts and Service Division:

Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) is in the process of notifying dealers and owners of a voluntary safety recall of some 1990-91 Crown Victoria and Grand Marquis and 1990 Taurus, Sable, Continental, Tempo and Topaz vehicles to inspect and, if necessary, replace the driver-side air bag module.

Initial estimates are that 55,000 units will be recalled for inspection, although only about 133 will need a new module installed. Certain of these units would have damaged screw threads in a component of the supplemental air bag inflators.

If a vehicle with a suspect air bag module is involved in a deployment-level collision, it is possible that the bag would not inflate properly and would not protect the driver as intended. In addition, combustion gases would flow directly through the air bag rather than through the normal filters and cooling media, presenting the possibility of injury to vehicle occupants. No incidents of improper inflation have occurred in actual driving situations.

Owners will be notified by mail and asked to return the vehicles to their dealers for inspection. If a vehicle has a module with partially damaged threads, a new driver-side air bag module will be installed at no charge. Dealers will be notified by mail starting Nov. 1.

CONTACT: Jim Trainor of Ford, 313-594-2880

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SANTA MONICA, CA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - WCI Holdings Corp. announced today that its board of directors has authorized additional expenditures of up to $5 million for the repurchase of its 15-1/2 percent Cumulative Exchangeable Redeemable Preferred Stock. Purchases may be made from time to time through open market or privately negotiated transactions. The timing and prices of any repurchases will depend on market conditions and other relevant factors.

WCI Holdings Corp. had previously authorized $8 million for the repurchase of the redeemable preferred stock, which has been expended.

WCI Holdings Corp. is jointly owned by Blackstone Capital Partners L.P. and Wasserstein Perella Partners, L.P.

CONTACT: Terese Kaminskas of WCI Holdings Corp., 213-452-9469

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MIAMI (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The stockholders of APL Corporation, (PSE), holding their annual meeting here today, elected four directors. Elected directors to terms expiring in 1993 were: Thomas A. Prendergast, Willie C. Robinson, Roger D. Stake and T.M. Thompson. Stockholders also ratified the selection of Deloitte & Touche as independent auditors to audit the financial statements of the company.

CONTACT: Chuck Nolan of APL Corporation, 305-866-7771

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#90299p0378 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BATON ROUGE, LA. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Gulf States Utilities Co. (NYSE: GSU) has asked that March 1 be set as the implementation date for a $29.9 million revenue increase in Louisiana.

In today's (Oct. 26) filing with the Louisiana Public Service Commission, GSU noted that the request is for the fourth step of the court-ordered Louisiana phase-in plan for the River Bend nuclear power plant. Company officials said the filing includes updated cost allocation and expense information, and contemplates a fifth-step increase of $12.9 million in 1992. The latest request is based on a 13 percent return on common equity.

This past February, the LPSC granted GSU a third-step increase of $28 million,

based on a 12.79 percent return on common equity. The commission also implemented a deregulated asset plan for disallowed River Bend costs, in accordance with an October 1989 ruling by a Louisiana district court.

Since updated cost allocation and expense information filed by GSU in the third-step case was not considered in the February decision, the commission had provided for only one more step increase of about $19.6 million in 1991, officials said.

CONTACT: Doug McCormick of Gulf States Utilities Co., 409-839-2858

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Monsanto Company today approved a restructuring of Monsanto Agricultural Company, an operating unit, to reposition the company for the future.

Restructuring actions include a reorganization of the crop chemicals business on a product line basis, including office consolidations and disposition of nonessential assets, and the proposed sale of the company's animal feed ingredients business.

In line with these changes, reductions in employment will also occur, including early retirement and other benefits paid to the people involved.

The reorganization will result in three new product divisions -- Roundup, Crop Protection Products and New Products Divisions -- plus a Global Operations Division responsible for worldwide sales and distribution. The company's Animal Sciences and Plant Sciences Divisions will continue as currently structured.

Monsanto will offer for sale its animal feed ingredients business, which includes Alimet and MHA feed supplements and Santoquin feed antioxidant. The business had 1989 sales of about $160 million and employs about 80 non-manufacturing people internationally.

Management of the feed ingredients business is located at Monsanto headquarters in St. Louis, with research conducted at two facilities in the St. Louis area. The business group's liquid methionine feed supplement, sold under the trademark Alimet, is produced in a 200 million pound a year plant in Alvin, Texas. MHA granular feed supplement and Santoquin antioxidant are produced at the company's Nitro, W. Va., plant. Monsanto would continue to operate both units for a purchaser with employment at the plants unchanged.

The employment reductions associated with the restructuring will include a special voluntary retirement incentive program, available to eligible salaried U.S. employees, along with a voluntary separation program for certain other

employees. The final date for accepting either voluntary program will be Nov. 26, 1990.

Monsanto said that it will reduce employment by approximately 300 people. The company said that, if workforce reductions in addition to the voluntary programs are required, these would be handled under a period of redeployment and severance payments.

Employees affected by the restructuring will have assistance programs available, including financial and tax counseling, plus professional career counseling and training in seeking new jobs. Monsanto Agricultural Company has about 3,400 salaried employees.

Monsanto Agricultural Company had 1989 sales of $1.56 billion, excluding feed ingredients sales.

CONTACT: G. D. Ingenthron, 314-694-3079, or Mark L. Schannon, 314-694-2510, both of Monsanto

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#90299p0385 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Monsanto Company (NYSE: MTC) today declared the regular quarterly cash dividend on the company's common stock of 48-1/2 cents per share.

The dividend is payable Dec. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 9. Monsanto has paid dividends on its common shares without interruption on a quarterly basis since 1928 and has increased the dividend in each of the past 18 years.

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MISSION VIEJO, CALIF. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Coldwell Banker Residential Real Estate Services of Southern California today announced that several company-owned offices will be consolidated. The restructuring includes consolidating smaller offices in San Pedro, Hacienda Heights, West Los Angeles Toluca Lake, and Los Angeles/Sunset Boulevard into larger adjacent offices.

"Our intent is to position Coldwell Banker for the long-term opportunities in the industry by increasing the productivity of existing offices," said Tom Williams, president of Coldwell Banker Southern California. "This restructuring will provide a better level of service while streamlining operational costs."

The sales associates in the five consolidated offices will be given the opportunity to join other Coldwell Banker offices. Clerical and support personnel may also be considered for positions at other company locations.

Coldwell Banker recently opened new offices in Laguna Niguel and Sherman Oaks, and will be moving the Torrance office into a larger facility in Redondo Beach next week. The new Sherman Oaks office is a state-of-the-art facility on Ventura Boulevard and is the largest Coldwell Banker office in the Southern California system, with 6,600 square feet. Also moving to larger facilities are the Mission Viejo, Rancho Santa Fe and El Cajon offices.

Coldwell Banker has nearly 1,900 residential real estate offices and more than 40,000 sales associates in North America, and is a member of the Sears Financial Network.

CONTACT: Betsy Vavrin of Coldwell Banker, 714-367-2147

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ANAHEIM, CALIF. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Safeguard Health Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ: SFGD), the nation's largest publicly held provider of managed dental healthcare plans, announced its financial results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Earnings per share were $.03 compared to $.16 a year ago. Net income was $138,000 compared to $717,000 a year earlier. Health care revenues were $14,762,000 compared to $15,295,000 for the same quarter a year ago.

For the nine month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, earnings per share were $.28 compared to $.49 a year ago. Net income was $1,264,000 compared to $2,369,000 a year earlier. Health care revenues were $44,813,000 compared to $46,482,000 for the same period a year ago.

"We are pleased to note that membership in the company's plans increased in the third quarter to 727,000 compared to 722,000 at the end of the second quarter of 1990," said Steven J. Baileys, D.D.S., president and chief operating officer. "Our expanded sales and marketing staffs have embarked upon an aggressive sales campaign. We have also significantly enhanced our administrative and service capabilities through additional staff and systems to fortify our leadership position in the managed dental healthcare field. With these changes we are confident that our clients will receive true long term cost containment and outstanding service resulting in strong acceptability of our programs," Baileys said.

Safeguard operates and managed dental healthcare plans in 13 states providing dental services to members through an independent panel of over 1,700 provider locations.

CONTACT: Ronald I. Brendzel, Sr. VP of Safeguard Health Enterprises Inc., 714-778-1284

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#90299p0406 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ABBOTT PARK, IL (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Abbott Laboratories (NYSE: ABT) announced today that the Food and Drug Administration has approved the marketing of Lupron Depot for the treatment of endometriosis, a disease that affects an estimated 1 in 15 women of reproductive age and is a leading cause of infertility. Lupron Depot (leuprolide acetate), a synthetic analog of the naturally occurring gonadotropin releasing hormone (GnRH), is marketed by TAP Pharmaceuticals, a joint venture between Abbott Laboratories and Takeda Chemical Industries of Japan.

Hank Pietraszek, president of TAP Pharmaceuticals, said "This approval is the result of our continuing research and development efforts to examine the benefits that GnRH analogs can bring to women suffering from a variety of gynecologic disorders. We now have clinical studies underway in the treatment of fibroid tumors and infertility, and are committed to maintaining our leadership position in this promising field of research.

"In addition, this new approval should contribute significantly to TAP sales, which have grown substantially since we entered the market for treating advanced prostate cancer with Lupron five years ago," Pietraszek concluded.

Endometriosis is an often painful condition in which endometrial tissue, the tissue that lines the uterus, grows elsewhere in the body -- often on the ovaries and other organs in the pelvic cavity. Like the lining of the uterus, areas of endometriosis respond to the hormones of the menstrual cycle. They build up tissue each month then breakdown and bleed during menstruation. This process causes local irritation in the pelvis which can result in pain and the formation of scar tissue.

Endometriosis and the resulting scar tissue can lead to infertility, chronic pelvic pain, painful urination and bowel movements, pain during sexual intercourse and increasingly painful menstrual discomfort.

Endometriosis affects five million women in the U.S., according to the Endometriosis Association, a patient support and educational organization based in Milwaukee.

Abbott Laboratories is a worldwide manufacturer of health care products, employing 42,000 people. In 1989 the company's sales and net earnings were $5.4 billion and $860 million, respectively, with earnings per share of $1.93.

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#90299p0407 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Railroadmen's Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ: RRMN) today reported earnings of $662,795 for the third quarter which were 55 percent higher than the third quarter of 1989. The increase in income is reflected by increases in interest income and fee income to the company as well as a decrease in interest expense. Interest income for the third quarter of 1990 increased by $55,386 and fee income increased by $97,911 compared to the third quarter of 1989. Interest expense was reduced by $85,719 compared to the third quarter of 1989. Net interest income, a key indicator of thrift profitability, rose 7.14 percent from third quarter 1989 to third quarter 1990.

Earnings for the third quarter were $662,795 or $.49 per share. This compares to $426,441 or $.32 per share for the same quarter in 1989. Year-to-date earnings were $2,075,302 or $1.54 per share as compared to $2,042,007 or $1.54 per share in 1989. Shareholders' equity continues to grow and reached its highest level during the third quarter of 1990 which was $16,347,357.

J.R. Kocher, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, "Core earnings have been steady and strong all year and were one of the reasons for our stock dividend in August of this year." Kocher also indicated, "The proposed merger conversion with Archer Federal Savings and Loan Association, Chicago, which was announced in September of 1990, is progressing as planned."

Kocher said, "Service is an important part of our business. To achieve a high level of service in a cost effective manner is paramount. We are pleased to report that we have been able to maintain a very high level of lending activity and customer service while controlling expenses."

Mortgage loan commitments for the third quarter were $22.3 million bringing the year-to-date commitments to $71.1 million. In keeping with Railroadmen's commitment to the home mortgage market, its home equity line of credit continues to grow at a steady pace. Railrodmen's closed 141 home equity loans in the third quarter. For the first three quarters of 1990, Railroadmen's closed 468 home equity loans bringing its portfolio to 2,101 home equity loans. On Sept. 30, 1990, Railroadmen's customers were utilizing $25.1 million or 51 percent of an available credit line of $48.7 million.

Railroadmen's operates 12 full service offices in Marion, Madison, Hamilton and Brown counties.

CONTACT: J.R. Kocher, chairman of the board of Railroadmen's Federal Savings and Loan Association, 317-637-0505 or 800-822-8280 (toll-free in Indiana)

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#90299p0418 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The 1991 budget agreement, which cuts Medicare by $42 billion as a deficit reduction move, does nothing to corral runaway health-care costs for older Americans, the president of the nation's second-largest senior group said today.

"You can't gain the upper hand on the double-digit growth in health costs just by lopping billions from Medicare," said Martha McSteen, president of the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare. "Simply cutting Medicare misses the point. The system won't become more efficient and the costs will still be there. They just will have to be absorbed by Medicare beneficiaries.

"The problem is that millions of those beneficiaries live on fixed incomes and simply cannot afford to absorb a greater share of the cost. To get Medicare costs under control the challenge is to make the system more efficient -- not simply cut funding."

McSteen said bipartisan efforts in both the Senate and House were effective in sharply reducing the original cuts envisioned by the budget summiteers.

"This was a move in the right direction, a move toward insuring that seniors are treated fairly in the federal budget process and we appreciate the members of Congress, both Democrats and Republicans, who stood up for seniors," she said.

McSteen challenged reports that senior programs were spared by the budget cutters.

"Seniors didn't escape this budget unscathed. Far from it." McSteen said. "Like every other taxpayer, seniors will pay new, higher taxes for gasoline, a six-pack of beer, airplane tickets and other products. On top of that, older Americans also will have to swallow a substantial cut in Medicare. That's hardly special treatment.

"The real problem is out-of-control health costs for all Americans, including seniors. The average annual health care bill for persons over 65 is more than $5,700. And there's no end in sight.

"We absolutely must get a handle on these costs without reducing the quality of care," she said. "And you don't do that simply by cutting Medicare funding."

CONTACT: Bill Ritz of the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare, 202-822-9459, or 703-378-3768 (after hours)

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#90299p0429 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed CitySavings and Loan Association, San Antonio, Texas, in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, CitySavings and Loan Association, F.A., will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift, and will operate in conservatorship under the oversight of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The takeover did not result in any interruption of CitySavings day- to-day operations. The institution and its branches will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action, which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

OTS initiated the action because CitySavings was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition in that it had substantially insufficient capital, with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

CitySavings' failure is due primarily to losses stemming from securities and investment speculation and risk controlled arbitrage. CitySavings, since early 1988, relied heavily on the appreciation and sale of investments to generate income, and has made very few new loans over the past two years. Nevertheless deficient policies and procedures for loan underwriting and asset classification have contributed to CitySavings' high level of delinquent loans and real estate owned -- $28.7 million or 16 percent of total assets.

CitySavings is insolvent on a tangible capital basis in that it has negative tangible.

CitySavings' net losses during the first two quarters of 1990 amounted to $9.8 million.

CitySavings was a state-chartered stock association. The shareholders will retain no interest in the new institution.

As of Aug. 31, 1990, CitySavings reported assets of $184.4 million, liabilities of $183.3 million and tangible capital of negative $2.1 million, for a tangible capital-to-assets ratio of negative 1.12 percent.

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#90299p9936 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
RIVERTON, Wyo. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Energy Corp. (NASDAQ: USEG)

announced financial results for the first three months ended Aug. 31, 1990 of its 1991 fiscal year.

U.S. Energy recorded a first quarter net earnings of $5,727,400 or $1.57 per share compared with net earnings of $44,900 or 1 cent per share in the corresponding 1990 quarter. Revenues for the quarter were $7,881,500 compared with $402,100 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

John L. Larsen, president, said, "the principal event affecting the earnings of U.S. Energy was the receipt of $7,560,000 from Kennecott Uranium Co. as the balance of the payment on the sale of a one-half interest in certain uranium mineral properties located in Wyoming which were contributed to a joint venture with Kennecott."

U.S. Energy is a minerals exploration and development company with interests in major uranium resources thorugh Sheep Mountain Partners (SMP) with its subsidiary, Crested Corp. and Cycle Resource Investment Corp. of Stamford, Conn. and the Green Mountain Mining Venture with Crested and Kennecott Uranium of Salt Lake City. U.S. Energy also has an interest in a world-class deposit of molybdenum, and in gold and other base and precious metals properties and provides contract mining services.

CONTACT: John L. Larsen of Max T. Evans of U.S. Energy Corp., 307-856-9271.

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RIVERTON, Wyo. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Crested Corp. (NASDAQ: CBAG) announced financial results for the first three months ended Aug. 31, 1990 of its 1991 fiscal year.

Crested recorded a first quarter net earnings of $956,500 or 11 cents per share compared with net earnings of $27,200 or 1 cent per share in the corresponding 1990 quarter. Revenues for the quarter were $1,875,500 compared with $382,500 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Max T. Evans president, said, "The principal event affecting the earnings of Crested Corp. was the receipt of $1,440,000 from Kennecott Uranium Co. as the balance of the payment on the sale of a one-half interest in certain uranium mineral properties located in Wyoming which were contributed to a joint venture with Kennecott."

Crested is a minerals exploration and development company with interests in major uranium resources through Sheep Mountain Partners (SMP) with its parent, U.S. Energy Corp. and Cycle Resource Investment Corp. of Stamford, Conn. and the Green Mountain Mining Venture with U.S. Energy and Kennecott Uranium of Salt Lake City. Crested also has an interest in a world-class deposit of molybdenum, and in gold and other base and precious metals properties and

provides contract mining services.

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#90299p9954 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA BARBARA, CA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Mentor Corp. (NASDAQ: MNTR) announced today that it has acquired Teknar Inc. of St. Louis, a privately held company, for $10 million cash plus certain performance payments.

Teknar manufactures and markets diagnostic ultrasound equipment for the urology and ophthalmology markets. For the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989, Teknar generated approximately $11.1 million in revenues and $1.2 million in net income.

Christopher Conway, chairman of Mentor, said that the acquisition of Teknar accomplishes a number of strategic objectives, including strengthening its presence in the ophthalmology market and establishing a sales base in the diagnostic and therapeutic equipment market serving urologists. "Teknar has the number one share in the urology ultrasound market and a good reputation for quality and service," Conway said. "The combination of Mentor and Teknar should provide broader coverage, increased market share and a platform to launch complementary products. Similarly, sales of Teknar's ophthalmology ultrasound scanners, which amount for about one-third of sales, should be enhanced by support from Mentor's ophthalmology subsidiary."

Conway further stated that Kenneth Head, president of Teknar, and Arthur Bollinger, vice president and general manager, will continue with the company following the acquisition. "These gentlemen have built an exciting and dynamic company," Conway said. "We are extremely pleased to have them as members of our management team."

Mentor Corp. develops, manufactures, and markets medical and surgical devices for the specialties of urology, plastic, and reconstructive surgery, and ophthalmology; and products for hospital and home health care.

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SANTA BARBARA, CA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Mentor Corp. (NASDAQ: MNTR) today announced record sales of $16.7 million for its second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Mentor also stated that it achieved record operating earnings for the first six months of the year.

Sales for the quarter were $16.7 million, a 35 percent increase over sales of

$12.4 million a year ago. For the first six months of the fiscal year, sales were a record $33.0 million, also a 35 percent increase over $24.4 million last year.

As previously reported, the company announced that it took a pretax charge of $1.5 million, or approximately $.09 per share after tax, for costs of restructuring certain of its manufacturing operations, and the cost of restructuring its sales force in preparation for a major new product introduction.

As a result of this charge, net income for the quarter was $1.1 million, or $.10 per share, compared to $2.0 million, or $.19 per share last year. For the six months net income was $3.2 million, or $.30 per share, versus $4.1 million or $.38 per share last year.

Mentor recently moved its polymer manufacturing operation from Santa Barbara to Dallas. Over the next two years other operations, including sterilization, distribution and some product assembly will be moved from Santa Barbara to Dallas. $1.3 million of the charge includes amounts estimated for certain start-up costs, the costs of nontransferable equipment, the resolution of pollution control issues and a general reserve for unspecified expenses.

Also in connection with the manufacturing relocation, the company announced that it has sold its Santa Barbara manufacturing facility for approximately $5.5 million, and has leased it back for an initial period of three years.

The company's surgical sales force is being restructured and expanded into two separate urology and plastic surgery sales forces. A charge of $200,000 is being reserved against the anticipated restructuring costs.

Urinary incontinence can be treated with injections of Urethrin, a physiologically compatible substance which assists the function of the urethral sphincter. On April 5, 1990, Urethrin was recommended for marketing approval by an Food and Drug Administration advisory panel. The company hopes to receive final FDA approval to market the product some time during its current fiscal year.

Mentor Corp. develops, manufactures and markets medical and surgical devices for the specialities or urology, plastic & reconstructive surgery, and ophthalmology; and products for hospital and home health care.

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PARSIPPANY, NJ (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Nutritional Services Inc. (OTC: HNSI) today announced its final results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Revenues for the quarter increased to $21 million compared to $17 million for the third quarter of 1989, while earnings increased to $2.1 million, or $0.18 per share on 11.88 million common shares, from $1.8 million, or $0.18 per share on 10 million shares, in the third quarter of 1989.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30 increased 26 percent to $59 million compared to $46 million in the first nine months of 1989, while earnings on 18 percent more shares outstanding increased to $6.6 million, or $0.56 per share, in the first nine months of 1990 from $4.7 million, or $0.47 per share, in the equivalent period in 1989.

Third quarter revenues in 1990 were impacted by lower patient census than anticipated at a few of HNS' larger centers in September and slower than expected growth at recently opened centers. HNS also reported an improvement in its day-sales-outstanding (DSO's) in accounts receivable in the third quarter of 1990 to 150 days, compared to 168 days in the first quarter of 1990 and 159 days in the second quarter of 1990. According to Kent H. Kerkhof, president and chief executive officer of HNS: "I am pleased with our improved cash collections and with the progress that we have made in our reimbursement efforts in general. Our success at directing the energies of our organization on dramatically reducing DSO's gives me confidence that enhancing our focus on improving individual center revenue performance will result in similar success."

HNS, a 66-percent-owned subsidiary of Healthdyne (NASDAQ: HDYN), is a national provider of home infusion therapies and related services. Founded in 1980, HNS is one of the oldest and largest providers of home infusion care, with operations in 26 states that are conducted through 29 regional centers, 18 satellite facilities and 25 additional sites of service. HNS is recognized as a leader in quality care and clinical sophistication.

HOME NUTRITIONAL SERVICES INC.
Consolidated Condensed Statements of Earnings
(Amounts in thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	3 mos. ended 9/30		9 mos. ended 9/30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues, net	$20,987	17,191	58,629	46,454
Cost of revenues	9,315	7,106	25,181	19,599
Gross profit	11,672	10,085	33,448	26,855
Selling and administrative expenses	6,374	5,127	17,568	13,715
Provision for doubtful accounts	1,926	1,657	5,556	4,502
Operating earnings	3,372	3,301	10,324	8,638
Interest income	171	--	553	--
Interest expense	52	354	88	919

Other income (expense), net	(6)	(13)	(30)	(59)
Earnings bef. inc. taxes	3,485	2,934	10,759	7,660
Income tax expense	1,375	1,140	4,145	2,980
Net earnings	$2,110	1,794	6,614	4,680
Net earnings per common share and common share equiv.	$0.18	0.18	0.56	0.47
Weighted avg. number of common shares and common share equivalents	11,875	10,000	11,848	10,000

HOME NUTRITIONAL SERVICES INC.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS
(Amounts in thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990 (Unaudited)	Dec. 31, 1989
ASSETS		
Cash and short-term investments	$12,223	11,937
Trade accounts receivable, net	35,006	33,023
Inventories	2,180	2,193
Deferred taxes	1,173	--
Other current assets	880	365
Total current assets	51,462	47,518
Property and equipment, net	3,468	2,555
Goodwill, net	3,266	134
Other assets	208	513
Total	$58,404	50,720
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current installments of long-term debt	$181	15
Accounts payble, principally trade	2,442	2,775
Income taxes payable	559	--
Due to affiliate	1,153	--
Accrued liabilities	1,598	1,974
Total current liabilities	5,933	4,764
Long-term debt excluding current installments	913	--
Total liabilities	6,846	4,764
Minority interest	178	197
Shareholders' equity	51,380	45,759
Total	$58,404	50,720

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WILMINGTON, DE (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Matlack Systems Inc. (AMEX: MLK) today reported improved results for the quarter and the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company's operations in its fourth fiscal quarter were profitable despite

continued sluggish conditions in the bulk trucking industry. Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were up almost 4 percent to $54,218,000 compared with $52,206,000 last year. Operating expenses, which were essentially flat despite higher revenues, reflected the impact of a cost cutting program implemented earlier in the year. For the most part, increased fuel expenses were offset by fuel surcharges to its customers. Earnings before taxes were $914,000 in 1990 compared with a loss of $1,383,000 in 1989. Net earnings for the quarter were $614,000 or $.11 per share compared with a loss of $911,000 or $.17 per share last year.

For the full year, revenues were $218,667,000 compared with $219,678,000 last year. Revenue reductions from fewer loads carried and fewer miles run were almost offset by a higher yield per mile resulting from modest rate increases and improvements in the business mix. Since the cost reduction program was implemented in January, the company has been profitable in a soft economic environment in which the chemical industry has cut back production do to slowing demand. Earnings before taxes for the year were $52,000 compared with a loss of $1,284,000 a year ago. Net earnings were $17,000 in 1990 compared with last year's after tax loss of $864,000.

In the short term, a recession or softer economic environment will preclude significant profits, however, pending favorable legislation and increased industry-wide attention to environmental exposure give the company cause for optimism. These latter factors are expected to divert more traffic to the safer carriers in the industry. The company's financial resources, liquidity and credit availability remain strong.

Matlack Systems Inc.'s major operations consist of Matlack Inc., one of the largest carriers of bulk commodities by truck in North America. Matlack operates approximately 1,400 tractors and 2,900 trailers out of 90 terminals located in 35 states and three terminals located in Canada.

CONTACT: Patrick J. Bagley, vp and treasurer of Matlack Systems Inc., 302-479-2930.

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MIDDLEFIELD, CT (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Zygo Corporation (NASDAQ: ZIGO) today reported sales of $6,720,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of $686,000 over the comparable prior year period. Company Chief Executive Officer Paul F. Forman reported that the company had net earnings of $115,000, or $.05 per share, vs. net earnings of $46,000, or $.02 per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Backlog at Sept. 30, 1990, was $10,508,000 compared to $7,492,000 at Sept. 30, 1989, an increase of 40 percent.

"The improvement in net earnings was due primarily to higher sales," Forman

said. "This improvement reflects our ongoing efforts to improve profitability while, at the same time, continuing to make investments for the future."

Zygo Corporation designs, develops, manufactures and markets high-performance, laser-based, noncontact electro-optical measuring instruments and accessories and manufactures precision optical components. The firm is based in Middlefield.

ZYGO CORPORATION
(Thousands, except per share amounts)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 6,720	$ 6,034
Net earnings	$ 115	$ 46
Net earnings per share	$ .05	$ .02
Weighted average common shares and dilutive equivalents outstanding	2,498	2,522

CONTACT: Paul F. Forman, CEO of Zygo, 203-347-8506

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#90299p9967 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILPITAS, CA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Zitel Corporation (NASDAQ: ZITL) today announced net sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $11,711,000 compared to $8,093,000 for the same quarter of the prior year an increase of 45%.

Income before extraordinary credit was $1,187,000 ($0.21 per share) versus $809,000 ($0.15 per share) for the same quarter of the prior year, an increase of 47 percent.

An extraordinary credit from the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards of $127,000 ($0.02 per share) was reported in the same quarter of the prior year. The net operating loss carryforward was fully utilized during fiscal year 1989.

Net sales of $34,803,000 were reported for the year ending Sept. 30, 1990 versus net sales of $31,585,000 in fiscal 1989, an increase of 10 percent.

Income for the year before extraordinary credit was $2,814,000 ($0.50 per share) versus income before extraordinary credit of $3,216,000 ($0.60 per share) in fiscal 1989. An extraordinary credit from the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards of $252,000 ($0.05 per share) was reported in fiscal 1989.

Zitel designs, manufactures and markets high-performance solid-state mass memory subsystems for special purpose original equipment manufacturers (OEMs)

supporting a number of mini and mainframe computers, including RAMdisk(tm) for end-user customers using Unisys computer systems.

The Company is headquartered at 630 Alder Drive, Milpitas, Calif. 95035.

ZITEL CORP.
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(thousands except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended		12 Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$11,711	$ 8,093	$ 34,803	$31,585
Cost of goods sold	4,043	4,039	14,959	15,298
Research and development expenses	885	628	3,355	2,430
Selling, general and administrative expenses	4,982	2,383	12,636	9,005
Operating income	1,801	1,043	3,853	4,852
Other income	(90)	(26)	(449)	(189)
Income before income taxes and extraordinary credit	1,891	1,069	4,302	5,041
Provision for income taxes	704	260	1,488	1,825
Income before extraordinary credit	1,187	809	2,814	3,216
Extraordinary credit	---	127	---	252
Net Income	$ 1,187	$ 936	$ 2,814	$ 3,468
Per share: Income before extraordinary credit	21 cents	15 cents	50 cents	60 cents
Extraordinary credit	---	2 cents	---	5 cents
Net income	21 cents	17 cents	50 cents	65 cents
Number of shares used in per share calculations	5,731	5,468	5,579	5,370

ZITEL CORP
Consolidated Balance Sheets
(in thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Assets		
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents	$ 2,773	$ 3,819
Accounts receivable	12,002	6,616
Inventories	5,206	4,539
Other current assets	219	609
Total current assets	20,200	15,583
Fixed assets, net	1,670	1,429

Other assets, net	1,263	617
Total assets	$23,133	$17,629
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity Current liabilities		
Current portion of long-term debt	$ 178	$ 353
Accounts payable	1,604	1,279
Accrued liabilities	3,444	1,321
Income taxes payable	490	104
Total current liabilities	5,716	3,057
Long-term debt	64	246
Deferred lease liability	281	449
Deferred income taxes	54	58
Shareholders' equity:		
Common stock	11,580	11,195
Retained earnings	5,438	2,624
Total shareholders' equity	17,018	13,819
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	$23,133	$17,629

CONTACT: Ted Buxton or Henry C. Harris, both of Zitel Corporation
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-30- 5023

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HUNTINGTON, WV (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashland Coal Inc. (NYSE: ACI) announced today that its board of directors approved a quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share of common stock and common stock equivalents into which the preferred stock can be converted.

The dividend will be payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 14, 1990.

Ashland Coal Inc. is engaged in the mining, processing and sale of low-sulfur coal, and markets its coal principally to electric utilities in the eastern United States and into the export markets.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Hill and Knowlton, Inc., the international public relations and public affairs counseling firm, has reorganized its Asia-Pacific operations, it was announced today.

Thomas E. Eidson, president of Hill and Knowlton International, said the following senior appointments are effective immediately:

John Connolly, 43, managing director, Australia and New Zealand, was named president of Hill and Knowlton Asia-Pacific, reporting to Eidson. Connolly will have responsibility for 18 offices in Asia, Australia, New Zealand and Hawaii.

A public relations professional for more than 20 years, Connolly is known internationally for his work in investor relations and corporate communications.

Charles S. Crawford, 44, who has been president of Hill and Knowlton Asia Ltd. in Hong Kong, has been appointed a special assistant to Robert L. Dilenschneider, president and chief executive of Hill and Knowlton, Inc., and will transfer to Washington.

His new responsibilities include developing global strategies, marketing initiatives and coordinating international business development initiatives. Crawford also will have additional responsibilities as a vice chairman of Hill and Knowlton Public Affairs Worldwide in Washington.

Clifton Kagawa, 40, has been named executive vice president, Hill and Knowlton Asia-Pacific, reporting to Connolly. Kagawa continues as chairman and chief executive officer, Hill and Knowlton/Communications- Pacific, Inc., Honolulu. Hill and Knowlton/Communications Pacific has grown in eight years under the combined leadership of Kagawa, Richard N. Zwern, president, and Barbara J. Tanabe, executive vice president, into a 75-person firm representing more than 50 of Hawaii's largest corporations, trade associations and non-profit organizations.

Anne Forrest, 52, managing director Hong Kong and China, Hill and Knowlton Asia Ltd., was named regional director, reporting to Connolly. She will continue to head the Hong Kong and Beijing offices and will have responsibilities for the expansion and coordination of business with the Asian offices. Forrest, formerly in public relations in Wilmington, Del., has lived in Hong Kong since 1981.

Sir Robert Cotton will continue to act as non-executive chairman of Hill and Knowlton Asia-Pacific. Former Australian cabinet minister and ambassador to the United States, Sir Robert has been active in Asia- Pacific affairs for over 30 years.

"These appointments are yet another manifestation of our belief in, and commitment to, the growth of Hill and Knowlton beyond the shores of the Continental United States," said Eidson. "We regard the Asia- Pacific area as one of the most important growth areas in the world."

Hill and Knowlton, Inc., based in New York, is the leading international public relations and public affairs counseling firm with 65 offices in 24 countries. Its parent company, WPP Group plc, is the leading advertising and marketing services group in the world.

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#90299p9979 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OH (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The BFGoodrich Company (NYSE: GR) and Hercules Incorporated (NYSE: HPC) have signed a definitive agreement for BFGoodrich to acquire various business units of the Hercules Aircraft and Electronics Group. BFG will pay $176 million in cash for the businesses. The sale is subject to review by appropriate U.S. government agencies.

The business units of the Hercules Aircraft and Electronics (A&E) Group to be acquired include Hercules Aerospace Display Systems, Inc.; Hercules Aerospace Limited, a British corporation; and all four divisions of Simmonds Precision Products, Inc. The businesses supply aircraft fuel-measurement and fuel-management systems; speed- and torque-sensing devices; jet engine electrical and ignition systems; electromechanical actuators; liquid crystal displays and aircraft sensors. Most commercial jetliners now in production and most U.S. military aircraft currently in use are equipped with A&E components.

The businesses in the A&E Group will become part of BFGoodrich Aerospace, a division of BFGoodrich, and will be operated as independent profit centers.

The A&E Group employs about 2,700 people and had sales in 1989 of approximately $200 million. Principal locations are in Vergennes, Vt.; Norwich, N.Y.; Chester and Cedar Knolls, N.J.; Hatfield, Pa.; Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Mississauga, Ontario; Bracknell, England and Zevenaar, the Netherlands.

BFGoodrich Aerospace produces aircraft components, including wheels and brakes; emergency evacuation and ice protection systems and instruments and avionics equipment. It also provides maintenance, repair and overhaul services to the aerospace industry. Sales in 1990 are expected to be approximately $500 million.

The BFGoodrich Company also produces plastics and specialty chemical products. Total company sales for 1990 are projected to be about $2.4 billion.

Hercules is a diversified producer of specialty chemicals, chemical propulsion systems, and advanced materials and polymer products. Its principal worldwide markets include adhesives, aerospace, coatings, disposable hygiene products,

food, packaging, paper and printing. Total company sales for 1990 are estimated to be $3.1 billion.

CONTACT: Bev Pierce (media), 216-374-3411, or Tom Waltermire (investor), 216-374-2556, both of BFGoodrich; or Robert Hessler (media), 302-594-6920, or William W. Bewley (investor), 302-594-5254, both of Hercules Incorporated.

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CALHOUN, GA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Carriage Industries Inc. (NYSE: CGE), today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 2 1/2 cents per share, payable Dec. 5 to stockholders of record as of the close of business on Nov. 15.

Carriage Industries is a vertically integrated manufacturer of carpet for specialized markets. The company is a leading supplier to the manfuactured housing, recreational vehicle, small boat and exposition/trade show industries. Carriage also produces carpet for the contract/residential, hospitality/commercial and home center/needlebond markets and operates a metal fabricating subsidiary.

Corporate offices and most of Carriage's 1,000 employees are in Calhoun, Ga. Sales offices and distribution centers are strategically located across the United States. The company's transportation subsidiary, Carriage Transport, operates one of the largest trucking fleets in the carpet industry.

CONTACT: Clarence E. Harris, chairman and CEO, or Steven G. Jones, vice president - finance, both of Carriage Industries, 404-629-9234.

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NORCROSS, GA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Intelligent Systems Master, L.P. (AMEX: INP) announced today the financial results for its third quarter ended Sept. 30.

For the three month period, the company recorded sales revenue of $10,971,000, marginally higher than in the same period a year ago.

The net loss for the quarter allocable to limited partners was $1,772,000 or $.23 per unit compared to net profit of $125,000 or $. 00 per unit a year ago. Last year, the company's results for the quarter included other income of approximately $1,900,000 from gains recognized on the sale of certain assets. There were no comparable transactions this year. The average number of units outstanding declined by 11 percent year-to-year as the company continues to repurchase its units in the open market.

Expenses in the quarter ended Sept. 30 were down by approximately $950,000 compared to second quarter this year. However, expense levels were up this year compared to a year ago due primarily to the inclusion of operating expenses of the OrCAD subsidiary which was acquired in December 1989 and significant non-cash amortization expense related to the acquisition. Furthermore, other income (expense) for the quarter includes approximately $500,000 in losses related to the company's pro rata share of the financial results of Brier Technology, a company in which Intelligent Systems owns a significant minority position.

OrCAD, a subsidiary of Intelligent Systems, is on target to ship the ESP framework, a new graphically based design environment that has been integrated with OrCAD's Release IV product line, a substantially upgraded version of the company's full range of DOS-based design automation tools. The ESP framework provides easy tool selection and file management as well as a seamless transfer of design information between software packages. This product line update should fuel OrCAD's next stage of growth as a market leader in microcomputer-based electronic design automation software.

Brier Technology is now shipping the fastest, most reliable, highest capacity superfloppy disk drive available. Production volumes are increasing but are still very limited. Typically, due to low gross margins, disk drive manufacturers generate losses until very high volumes are achieved. Brier will be previewing its next generation of high capacity superfloppy drives at COMDEX/Fall, the preeminent industry trade show. A major marketing program for Brier's superfloppy drive will begin in mid-November and Intelligent Systems expects it will garner considerable interest and awareness.

Intelligent Systems' results includes substantial interest income earned in the quarter and year-to-date periods from notes acquired in sales of assets. Interest and principal payments related to these notes are current. However, in response to the uncertain economy and increasingly restrictive lending environment, the company does not anticipate renewing cash distributions to unitholders in the foreseeable future. Furthermore, the company intends to conserve cash by taking a more conservative approach to new investments and continuing to reduce operating expenses.

Intelligent Systems is a diversified technology partnership whose depositary units are traded on the American and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol INP. The company conducts its business through subsidiares: Q/COR (enhancement products for microcomputers), InterQuad (European distribution of enhancement products), OrCAD (electronic design automation software) and Datavue (laptop computers). The company also has investments in developing technology companies, including Brier Technology (25 mb superfloppy disk drive).

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

3 months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989

Revenue	$10,971,000	$10,617,000
Net income (loss)	(1,808,000)	128,000(a)
Less: General partner's interest	(36,000)	3,000
Net income (loss) allocable to limited partners	(1,772,000)	125,000
Average units outstanding(c)	7,596,635	8,527,109
Unit earnings (loss)	(0.23)	0.00

9 months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenue	$36,799,000	$44,605,000
Net loss	(4,320,000)	(266,000)(b)
Less: General partner's interest	(86,000)	(5,000)
Net income (loss) allocable to limited partners	(4,234,000)	(261,000)
Average units outstanding(c)	7,728,265	8,713,247
Unit loss	(0.55)	(0.03)

(a) Includes gain of approximately $1,900,000 on sale of assets.
(b) Includes gain of approximately $4,600,000 on sales of assets.
(c) Units outstanding decreased due to company's repurchase program.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Encor Inc. (Toronto: ECR) today announced the results of an exploratory well located in the Taranaki Basin, 30 kilometres offshore New Zealand, in which the company holds a 40 percent working interest.

The Kupe South No. 5 well on the Rua structure encountered a reservoir which contained hydrocarbons. A drill stem test flowed 39 degree API crude oil at the stabilized rate of 1,300 barrels per day and natural gas at the rate of 3.5 million standard cubic feet per day through a half-inch choke from a hydrocarbon interval between 2892 to 2913 metres.

Other participants in Kupe South No. 5 are Norcen International 20 percent; New Zealand Oil and Gas 16.5 percent; Minister of Energy New Zealand 11 percent; Shoseki Oil Development 10 percent; and Delta Petroleum Ltd. 2.5 percent.

CONTACT: Randall J. Findlay, VP, corporate development, Encor Inc., 403-231-6000

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VALPARAISO, IN (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Indiana Federal Corporation

(NASDAQ-NMS: IFSL), parent company of Indiana Federal Savings and Loan Association, today reported earnings $728,000 or 27 cents a share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 72 percent increase over earnings of $423,000 or 15 cents per share for the same period last year. The lower 1989 earnings were the result of higher provisions for loan losses.

Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were a record $2.7 million or $1.00 per share, up 35 percent compared to $2.0 million or 73 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

For the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net interest income after provision for loan losses, the Company's core business, was $3.7 million, a 25 percent increase over the $3.0 million recorded for the same period of 1989. The net interest margin for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased to 3.23 percent from 2.82 percent a year ago. Net interest income after provision for loan losses increased to $11.5 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 15 percent increase over the $10.0 million recorded for the same period a year ago.

Operating expenses were up 8.7 percent to $3.1 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, from $2.8 million for the year ago period. The increase in operating expenses includes several non-recurring items totaling $107,000. Operating expenses were up 4.9 percent after taking into account the nonrecurring charges.

Shareholders' equity increased to $55.5 million or $20.78 per share at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $19.89 per share at year end 1989. As of Sept. 30, 1990 the corporation had acquired a total of 72,000 of its outstanding common shares. An additional 66,500 shares were acquired in the first two weeks of October, bringing the corporation's total to 138,500 shares or 5 percent of its outstanding common stock. As announced on Oct. 18, 1990, the corporation intends to repurchase an additional 5 percent or 130,000 of its outstanding common shares.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $551.0 million, down $1.8 million from $552.8 million at the end of 1989.

Indiana Federal savings ad Loan Association, a wholly owned subsidiary of Indiana Federal Corporation, maintains a network of eight full service offices in northwest Indiana and loan production offices in Highland, Fort Wayne and South Bend, Indiana.

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LONG BEACH, CA (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc.

(NASDAQ: HQOSA; PSE: HQO) reported today that the company successfully completed the first closing of its overseas private placement of units, each unit consisting of 40,000 shares of Series A convertible redeemable preferred stock and 4,000 redeemable Class D common stock purchase warrants. An aggregate of 91 units were sold in the first closing for aggregate gross proceeds of $9.1 million.

Global America Inc., the placement agent for the offering, will offer overseas up to an additional 309 units at a price of $100,000 per unit until Dec. 7, 1990.

HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc.'s 15 current locations utilize a merchandising strategy offering a wide selection of quality, brand name office products, including general office supplies, business machines, office furniture, and other business-related products at discount prices primarily to small and medium-sized businesses. The stores average at least 25,000 square feet of selling space with an inventory of approximately 8,000 stock keeping units.

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#90299p9996 10/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NUTTING LAKE, MA. (OCT. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Devices, Inc., reported losses of $138,000 and $302,000 for the quarter and nine months ended Sept., 1990. vs. earnings of $27,000 for the nine months ended Sept., 1989. Total revenue amounted to $519,000 and $2,255,000 respectively for the 1990 periods vs. $772,000 and $2,236,000 for 1989.

Operating expenses during 1990 and 1989 include research and development expenses which were directly related to the operations of NeuroTherapeutics, Inc., a development stage company acquired in January 1989. These expenses amounted to $87,000 and $310,000 respectively for the 1990 periods vs. $92,000 and $215,000 for 1989.

CONTACT: William Connors, treasurer of Computer Devices, Inc., 508-663-4980

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MOSCOW (OCT 26) TASS - SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN YURI GREMITSKIKH CONFIRMED AT A BRIEFING HERE TODAY THAT PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV WOULD VISIT GERMANY. HOWEVER, THE DATE OF THE VISIT IS NOT FIXED AS YET.

ASKED ABOUT THE PROGRAMME OF THE VISIT, GREMITSKIKH NOTED THAT THE SIGNING OF A BILATERAL TREATY WILL BE THE FOCAL EVENT OF GORBACHEV'S VISIT TO GERMANY.

RELATIONS BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED GERMANY WILL BE BASED ON THIS TREATY.

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BONN (OCT 26) TASS - THE BUNDESRAT (UPPER CHAMBER OF THE GERMAN PARLIAMENT) WHICH HELD ITS MEETING HERE TODAY, APPROVED BILLS ON THE RATIFICATION OF THE TREATY ON CONDITIONS FOR THE TEMPORARY DEPLOYMENT AND WITHDRAWAL OF SOVIET TROOPS FROM GERMANY AND THE AGREEMENT ON SOME TRANSITION MEASURES.

THE TREATY ON CONDITIONS OF THE TEMPORARY DEPLOYMENT AND WITHDRAWAL OF SOVIET TROOPS FROM GERMANY WAS SIGNED IN BONN ON OCTOBER 12.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS DOCUMENT, SOVIET TROOPS HAVE THE RIGHT TO CONDUCT THEIR USUAL OPERATIONS ON THE TERRITORY ALLOCATED TO THEM, INCLUDING MILITARY EXERCISES AND MANOEUVRES.

THEIR WITHDRAWAL TO THE USSR WILL BEGIN FROM THE TIME THE TREATY ENTERS INTO FORCE. THE WITHDRAWAL WILL BE CARRIED OUT ON A STAGE-BY-STAGE BASIS AND MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF 1994.

THE TREATY NOTES THAT THE GERMAN SIDE WILL RESPECT THE LEGAL POSITION OF SOVIET TROOPS AND WILL REFRAIN FROM ANY ACTIONS HAMPERING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THEIR DUTIES.

THE TREATY ALSO DEFINES THE ORDER OF TROOPS SUPPLIES, RULES OF USING REAL ESTATE THAT IS GERMANY'S PROPERTY, ROADS AND COMMUNICATIONS AND STIPULATES MEASURES TO PROTECT ENVIRONMENT.

A MIXED SOVIET-GERMAN COMMISSION IS BEING SET UP TO SETTLE OUTSTANDING ISSUES CONCERNING THE TREATY'S APPLICATION.

THE AGREEMENT ON SOME TRANSITION MEASURES REGULATES FINANCIAL ISSUES CONCERNING THE DEPLOYMENT AND WITHDRAWAL OF SOVIET TROOPS FROM GERMANY.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE DOCUMENT, A SPECIAL FUND, TO WHICH THE GERMAN SIDE WILL CONTRIBUTE THREE BILLION MARKS, IS BEING SET UP TO COVER EXPENSES FOR THE UPKEEP OF SOVIET TROOPS.

IN ADDITION, GERMANY WILL GRANT AN INTEREST-FREE CREDIT OF THREE BILLION MARKS TO THE SOVIET UNION. THE GERMAN SIDE WILL APPROPRIATE 7.8 BILLION MARKS TO IMPLEMENT A HOUSING PROGRAMME FOR TROOPS AND THEIR FAMILIES RETURNING HOME.

THE AGREEMENTS WILL BE SUBMITTED FOR RATIFICATION TO THE GERMAN BUNDESTAG IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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TBILISI (OCT 26) TASS - "PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS IN GEORGIA (A SOVIET TRANSCAUCASIAN REPUBLIC), SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 28, WILL BECOME AN IMPORTANT LANDMARK ON THE WAY TO ATTAINING GENUINE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SOVEREIGNTY BY THE GEORGIAN PEOPLE", SAID IRAKLI ZHORDANIA, CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL ELECTORAL COMMISSION FOR ELECTIONS TO THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT.

HE STRESSED IN A TASS INTERVIEW THAT, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN SOVIET PRACTICE, THESE ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD ON A MULTI-PARTY BASIS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH A MIXED MAJORITARIAN SYSTEM. ZHORDANIA BELIEVES THAT "THIS WILL ENABLE THE GEORGIAN PEOPLE TO MAKE THEIR CHOICE ON A TRULY DEMOCRATIC BASIS". ELEVEN POLITICAL PARTIES AND PARTY BLOCS WERE PERMITTED TO TAKE PART IN THE ELECTIONS. PREVIOUSLY FOURTEEN PARTIES WERE REGISTERED. HOWEVER, THE CENTRAL ELECTORAL COMMISSION CROSSED OUT FROM THE ELECTORAL LIST THREE POLITICAL ORGANISATIONS FOR THE VIOLATION OF THE LAW ON ELECTIONS, INCLUDING THE STALIN SOCIETY. THE VIOLATION CONSISTED IN NOMINATING CANDIDATES, WHO WERE ALSO MEMBERS OF OTHER PARTIES, WHICH IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN BY THE LAW, ZHORDANIA SAID.

THE COMMISSION HAD TO TACKLE NUMEROUS ORGANISING PROBLEMS, HE CONTINUED. MOST OF THEM EMERGED AS A RESULT OF THE FACT THAT TWO MONTHS ARE TOO SHORT A TIME FOR PREPARING THE ELECTIONS. HOWEVER, ALL THOSE PROBLEMS WERE RESOLVED, AND NOW ONE CAN BE CONFIDENT THAT THE VOTING WILL BE HELD ON A PROPER LEVEL. RESPONDING TO A TASS QUESTION, ZHORDANIA STRESSED THAT NO CASES OF AN OPEN VIOLATION OF RULES, THAT REGULATE THE CONDUCTING OF AN ELECTORAL CAMPAIGN, HAD BEEN REGISTERED. HOWEVER, TWO DAYS AGO UNIDENTIFIED PEOPLE FIRED FROM AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AT THE HOUSE OF FALERIAN AVADZE, LEADER OF THE ACCORD, PEACE REVIVAL ELECTORAL BLOC. THIS IS REGARDED AS A GROSS PROVOCATION AIMED AT HAMPERING THE VOTING.

ZHORDANIA SAID THAT OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES OF FRENCH, BRITISH, AMERICAN, BELGIAN, SWEDISH AND IRISH PARLIAMENTS WOULD ACT AS OBSERVERS AT ELECTIONS. THEY HAVE ALREADY COME TO GEORGIA. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BALTIC REPUBLICS, THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AND THE UKRAINE WERE ALSO INVITED.

ACCORDING TO THE LAW, THE RESULTS OF THE VOTING WILL BE MADE PUBLIC FIVE DAYS AFTER THE CLOSURE OF POLLING STATIONS.

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SVERDLOVSK (OCT 26) TASS - THE TASKS OF RUSSIAN SOCIAL DEMOCRATS IN THE PRESENT COMPLEX POLITICAL SITUATION AND THEIR FUTURE GOALS ARE DEBATED AT THE SECOND CONGRESS OF THE RUSSIAN SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY UNDER WAY HERE.

ITS CONSTITUENT CONGRESS WAS HELD IN MOSCOW IN MAY. THE PARTY NOW HAS A MEMBERSHIP OF SOME TEN THOUSAND.

PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES OF THE SOVIET UNION AND RUSSIA AND A LARGE NUMBER OF DEPUTIES OF LOCAL COUNCILS PARTICIPATE IN THE SECOND CONGRESS. DELEGATES INCLUDE WORKERS, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTELLIGENTSIA, MANY YOUNG PEOPLE.

THE DELEGATES REPRESENTING MANY REGIONS OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, THE BIGGEST REPUBLIC OF THE USSR, DISCUSS THE DRAFT PARTY PROGRAMME. QUESTIONS OF THE SOCIAL POLICY AND SOCIAL PROTECTION IN CONDITIONS OF A TRANSFER TO MARKET RELATIONS HOLD THE CENTRAL PLACE.

OLEG RUMYANTSEV, MEMBER OF THE PARTY'S PRESIDIUM, PEOPLE'S DEPUTY OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, TOLD TASS THAT THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY SEES ITS PLACE IN SOCIETY AS A "CONSCIOUS AND CONSTRUCTIVE PART OF THE DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT." "THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATS ARE STRIVING TO IMPROVE THE SOCIETY BY MEANS OF REFORMS " HE SAID. "WE ARE PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE IN A REVOLUTION THAT IS A CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL REVOLUTION, NOT THE ONE FOUGHT AT THE BARRICADES."

OLEG RUMYANTSEV, SECRETARY OF THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT'S CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION (WHICH IS CHAIRED BY BORIS YELTSIN, PRESIDENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION'S SUPREME SOVIET) NOTED THAT SOCIAL DEMOCRATS INTEND VIGOROUSLY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE POPULARISING OF THE REPUBLIC'S NEW FUNDAMENTAL LAW THE DRAFT OF WHICH HAS NOW BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE CONSIDERATION OF COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES OF THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT AND WILL LATER BE DISCUSSED BY AN EXTRAORDINARY CONGRESS OF PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION.

THE DRAFT PROGRAMME OF THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY ASSESSES RUSSIA'S HISTORIC PART COVERED IN THE 20TH CENTURY AND SETS OUT THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATS' VIEW OF THEIR PLACE IN SOCIETY AND STATE AND FORMULATES THE GOALS AND STAGES OF THE PARTY'S ACTIVITY IN CONDITIONS OF A TRANFER TO A MARKET. THERE IS DIFFERENCE OF OPINIONS ON WHETHER THE DOCUMENT SHOULD BE ADOPTED AT ONCE OR WHETHER THE CONGRESS SHOULD BE HELD IN TWO STAGES.

IN THE AFTERNOON THE DELEGATES WORK IN THE COMMISSIONS TO DISCUSS SEPARATE SECTIONS OF THE DRAFT PARTY PROGRAMME. THE CONGRESS WILL END ON SUNDAY.

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LAS VEGAS, Nev. (OCT. 26) UPI - Evander Holyfield was crowned the new heavyweight champion of the world Thursday night when he knocked James ''Buster'' Douglas cold with a right to the head in the third round.

Holyfield, 28, improved to 25-0 with 20 knockouts to achieve the goal he set for himself when he began boxing at the age of 10. The end came suddenly when Douglas missed a left hook and Holyfield dropped a right hand to the jaw, putting the overweight champion on his back.

Douglas tried to sit up but fell back and was counted out by referee Mills Lane at 1:10 of the third.

Douglas, 30-5-1, stayed down for almost four minutes before his handlers helped him to his stool. Led by trainer Lou Duva, all of Holyfield's cornermen leapt into the ring and stepped over the fallen ex-champion immediately after he was counted out.

Douglas was making the first defense of the title he won with a shocking upset of Mike Tyson last February. But Douglas fell grossly out of shape after winning the title and weighed 246 at Wednesday's weigh-in - 14 1/2 pounds more than for Tyson.

Holyfield, an 8-5 favorite largely because of Douglas' poor condition, weighed 208. He became the lightest man to win the heavyweight title since Michael Spinks at 200 pounds in 1985.

Douglas, a 30-year-old from Columbus, Ohio, held huge physical advantages across the board. At 6-foot-4 with an 83-inch reach, he stood an inch and a half with a 5 1/2-inch reach advantage over Holyfield.

Still, Douglas never reached Holyfield with a solid punch in the scheduled 12-round bout before a crowd of about 16,000 at The Mirage's outdoor stadium.

Holyfield stayed out of Holyfield's range in the opening round and stunned the champion with a left hook and a right-hand lead later in the round. Holyfield shifted his target to Douglas' soft middle in the second round, making the champion wince from body blows.

Douglas tried to open up in Round 3, but missed his first big punch and took the consequences when Holyfield delivered the one-punch knockout. Holyfield became the 15th undefeated fighter to capture the heavyweight championship.

He said before the fight he has signed to defend that title against 42-year-old former champion George Foreman next year.

Douglas earned a record $24 million while Holyfield was paid $8 million.

Despite the excitement of the evening, Nevada State Athletic Commissioner Duane Ford said he found Douglas asleep in his dressing room about 40 minutes before the opening bell when he went to deliver final instructions.

It took Holyfield barely 10 more minutes to put Douglas out again.

Holyfield was the 13th heavyweight challenger to enter the bout as favorite, and became the eighth of those challengers to win.

Holyfield's weight was four pounds less than his career high of 212 last November against Alex Stewart.

Holyfield overcame the ninth-largest weight disadvantage in heavyweight championship history. He also became the first man to move up from cruiserweight champion to take the heavyweight crown. Douglas became the 14th heavyweight champion, counting split titles, to lose his first defense. His reign of eight months and 14 days was the 10th- shortest in history.

He also became the second-heaviest champion to lose his title. Primo Carnera was 263 1/4 when stopped by 209 1/2-pound Max Baer in 1934.

Holyfield, who settled for a bronze medal in the 1984 Olympics when he was disqualified for hitting late, held the undisputed 190-pound pro title until moving up in weight in 1988. He is 7-0 since making his heavyweight debut July 16, 1988, with an eighth-round knockout of James Tillis. Holyfield won all six non-title heavyweight bouts by knockout.

Holyfield made his pro debut with a six-round decision over Lionell Byarm Nov. 15, 1984 in New York, and won a piece of the cruiserweight title with a split 15-round decision over Dwight Qawi in his 12th bout. He won five cruiserweight title fights and unified the crowns before moving up.

Douglas had won seven straight since losing a 10th-round TKO against Tony Tucker May 30, 1987, for a piece of the heavyweight title.

His other losses were against David Bey, Mike White and Jesse Ferguson and he fought a draw against Stefan Tangstad.

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(OCT. 26) UPI -

Golf
Houston - $2.5 million PGA Nabisco Championship
Ibaragi, Japan - $350,000 LPGA Michirei International
Sacramento, Calif. - Rancho Murieta Senior Gold Rush

Hockey
Minnesota at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Winnipeg, 8:35 p.m.

Tennis
Brighton, England - $350,000 Midland Bank Championships
Dallas - $350,000 Virginia Slims of Dallas
Stockholm, Sweden - $1.1 million Stockholm Open

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#90299u0126 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

LAS VEGAS, NV (OCT. 26) UPI - The only thing Buster Douglas proved Thursday night is that he was a fraud masquerading as heavyweight champion.

The 246 pounds he carried against Evander Holyfield was an insult to a crown he won last February from previously undefeated Mike Tyson. Only 'Robuster' wouldn't admit it.

''I'm not embarrassed,'' Douglas said after Holyfield took his title with a third-round knockout.

Douglas ignored the obvious - that he trained more at the supper table than in the gym, and that the 14 1/2 extra pounds he jiggled prevented him from even being competitive in the fight.

''Sometimes it goes your way, sometimes it doesn't,'' said Douglas, not the least bit apologetic. ''I was more than willing to accept the challenge. I wanted to fight the best - that's why I put the title on the line against Evander Holyfield.''

Douglas lost the first two rounds on all three judges' scorecards, yet he said he wasn't worried.

''I got caught with a good shot,'' he said of the overhand right that floored him a minute into the third round. ''By the time I picked up the count (of referee Mills Lane), it was over.

''I just overextended myself. I was hoping to get some rounds under my belt to get the rhythm going. But when you're a champion, you live by the sword and die by the sword.''

Now, the king is dead.

''What I came in at is what I am comfortable at,'' Douglas said of his weight. ''I was ready to fight.''

Douglas said he might retire, although a rematch against Tyson is a virtual certainty.

''At this point, I don't know,'' he said of the future. ''It's something I'll have to decide myself.''

Douglas might consider replacing his co-trainers, J.D. McCauley and John Russell.

''I knew this weight thing was going to come up over and over again,'' said McCauley, Douglas' uncle and trainer since the start of the boxer's career. ''For three or four or six rounds, the weight wouldn't have been a problem.

''But he didn't get off, he leaned in from the outside and Evander caught him clean. It happens.''

Douglas made $24 million Thursday night, but lost his chance to defend his title against Tyson for $20 million next spring.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Quebec	1	1	1-3
Pittsburgh	4	1	1-6

First period-1, Pittsburgh, Pederson 3 (Mullen, Stanton), 5:33. 2, Quebec, Sundin 5 (Hough, Sakic), 7:00. 3, Pittsburgh, Recchi 5 (Zalapski), 8:12. 4, Stevens 5 (Brown, Zalapski), pp, 12:45. 5, Pittsburgh, Stevens 6 (Recchi, Cullen), 13:24.

Penalties-Fortier, Que, 9:05; Bourque, Pit, double minor, 9:05; Finn, Que, 11:58; Finn, 19:06.

Second period-6, Quebec, McKegney 5 (Anderson), 2:47. 7, Pittsburgh, Stevens 7 (Cullen, Stanton), 10:00.

Penalties-Sanipass, Que, 4:57; Gilhen, Pit, 4:57; Finn, Que, minor-major (fighting), 5:05; Bourque, Pit, major (fighting), 5:05; Zalapski, Pitt, 5:22; Stanton, Pit, 12:51; Sundin, Que, 13:54; Sanipass, Que, double minor-major (fighting), misconduct, 17:01; Brown, Pit, major (fighting), 17:01; Coffey, Pit, 18:36.

Third period-8, Quebec, Leschyshyn 1 (Fortier, Hrkac), pp, 3:38. 9, Pittsburgh Brown 3 (Errey, Stanton), 7:11.

Penalties-Loiselle, Que, major (fighting), 0:50; Pederson, Pit, minor-major (fighting), 0:50; Gilhen, Pit, 1:42; Broten, Que, 9:42; Mullen, Que, 11:33; Loiselle, Que, double minor, 14:32; McRae, Que, 14:32; Coffey, Pit, triple minor, 14:32.

Shots on goal-Quebec 8-5-9-22. Pittsburgh 5-10-13-28.

Power-play conversions-Quebec 6-1. Pittsburgh 6-1.

Goaltenders-Quebec, Tanner, Tugnutt (12:45, 1st period). Pittsburgh, Pietrangelo. A-15,132.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

Buffalo	0	1	0-1
New Jersey	1	1	3-5

First period-1, New Jersey, Crowder, 3 (Boschman, Daneyko) 19:07.

Penalties-Houlder, Buf, 4:59; Driver, NJ, 5:44; Morris, NJ, 6:33; Hogue, Buf, 11:15.

Second period-2, New Jersey, Muller 4, (Driver, Stastny) 0:49. 3, Buffalo, Vaive, 6, (Bodger, Ruuttu) pp, 15:15

Penalties-Buf,Bench minor, 8:36, served by Andrechuk; Weinrich, NJ, 13:50; Ruuttu, Buf, 18:20.

Third period-4, New Jersey, Daneyko, 2, (Muller, Sundstrom), sh, 9:58. 5, New Jersey, Sundstrom, 4, (Maley, Lemieux) 11:48. 6, New Jersey, MacLean, 2, (Muller, Weinrich) 13:00.

Penalties-Vaive, Buf, 5:34; Ramsey, Buf, 5:43; Maclean, NJ, 8:39; Lemieux, NJ, 13:59; Maclean, NJ, 18:01; Foligno, Buf, 18:44; Fetisov, NJ, 19:40.

Shots on goal-Buffalo 10-8-11-29. New Jersey 17-6-13-36.

Power-play conversions-Buffalo 7-1. New Jersey 7-0.

Goalies-Buffalo, Malarchuk. New Jersey, Terreri. A-9,980.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

Vancouver	0	0	2-2
Boston	1	2	1-4

First period-1, Boston, Quintal 1 (Neely, Wiemer), pp, 15:46.

Penalties-Murphy, Van, major (fighting), 5:37; Neely, Bos, minor-major (fighting), 5:37; Agnew, Van, major (fighting), 5:37; Ruzicka, Bos, major (fighting), 5:37; Kron, Van, 14:22.

Second period-2, Boston, Christian 3 (Pedersen), 8:30. 3, Boston, Wiemer 1 (B. Sweeney, Brickley), 11:41.

Penalties-Carter, Bos, 5:18; Nilan, Bos, minor-game misconduct, 9;29; McBain, Van, double minor, 9:29; Galley, Bos, 9:29; Murphy, Van, 9:29; Stern, Van, misconduct, 9:29; D. Sweeney, Bos, misconduct, 9:29; Pedersen, Bos, 19:05.

Third period-4, Vancouver, Linden 5 (unassisted), 17:12. 5, Vancouver, Butcher 2 (McBain, D. Capuano), 18:33. 6, Boston, Carpenter 1 (Neely, Christian), 19:56.

Penalties-Galley, Bos, 3:16.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 11-8-14-33. Boston 12-8-7-27.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 4-0. Boston 2-1.

Goaltenders-Vancouver, McLean, Gamble (0:00 3rd per.). Boston, Lemelin.
A-14,120.

Referee-Mick McGeough.

Philadelphia	2	1	0	3
New York	1	1	3	5

First period-1, Philadelphia, Tocchet 8 (Eklund, Craven), 6:18. 2, New York, Moller 2 (Sheppard), pp, 9:01. 3, Philadelphia, Murphy 3 (Craven), 13:57.

Penalties-Mellanby, Phi, major (high sticking), 7:03; Mellanby, Phi, major (game misconduct), 7:03; King, NY, 14:14.

Second period-3, New York, King 1 (Muller, Turcotte), 8:35. 5, Philadelphia, Craven 1 (Eklund, Latal), pp, 18:47.

Penalties-King, NY, 6:19; Nicholls, NY, 18:13; Carkner, Phi, 19:23.

Third period-6, New York, Nicholls 7 (Mullen, Moller), pp, 0:52. 7, New York, Miller 2 (Mullen, Patrick), 13:51. 8, New York, Ogrodnick 4 (Mullen, Miller), 17:02.

Penalties-Vial, NY, double-minor, 9:19; Kushner, Phi, double-minor, 9:19.

Shots on goal-Philadelphia 8-10-10-28. New York 8-11-11-30.

Power-play conversions-Philadelphia 3-1. New York 3-2.

Goalies-Philadelphia, Wregget. New York, Vanbiesbrouck. A-15,813.

Referee-Andy van Hellemond.

Washington	1	1	0	0--2
Chicago	0	1	1	1--2

First period-1, Washington, Zezel 5 (Hatcher, Leach) pp, 14:11.

Penalties-Bondra, Was, 7:33; Goulet, Chi, 12:52.

Second period-2, Chicago, Larmer 8 (Chelios, Roenick), pp, 0:55. 3, Washington

Druce 6 (Hatcher, Leach), pp, 7:02.

Penalties-Langway, Was, 0:18; T. Murray, Chi, 5:05; Graham, Chi, 5:05; Rouse, Was, 13:20; Peluso, Chi, 16:55.

Third period-4, Chicago, Chelios 4 (Presley, Creighton), 5:53.

Penalties-Rouse, Was, 1:01; Tippett, Was, 6:03; Creighton, Chi, 9:08; Roenick, Chi, 11:31.

Overtime-5, Chicago, Larmer 9 (unassisted), 0:08.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Washington 9-13-10-0-32. Chicago 7-10-6-1-24.

Power-play conversions-Washington 2-6. Chicago 1-5.

Goalies-Washington, Beaupre. Chicago- Belfour. A-17,385.

Referee-Rob Shick.

Toronto	2	1	2	--5
St. Louis	5	2	1	--8

First period-1, Toronto, Damphousse 5 (Marios, Ramage), 1:58. 2, St. Louis, Hull 11 (Oates, Courtnall), 4:41. 3, St. Louis, Ronning 3 (Stevens), 7:34. 4, St. Louis, Wilson 1 (Bassen, Stevens), 9:51. 5, St. Louis, Hull 12 (Oates, Courtnell), 15:45. 6, Toronto, Leeman 2 (Olczyk, Richardson), 17:49. 7, St. Louis, Wilson 2 (Brown), 17:59.

Penalties-Thornton, Tor, 4:54; Richardson, Tor, major-game misconduct (fighting), 17:59.

Second period-8, St. Louis, Hull 13 (Brown, Oates), pp, 1:18. 9, Toronto, Reid 3 (Thibaudeaux, Veitch), pp, 12:50. 10, St. Louis, Courtnall 6 (Brown, Oates), pp, 17:02.

Penalties-Roberts, StL, 11:02; Bassen, StL, 14:04; Clark, Tor, 16:21; Stevens, StL, 19:45.

Third period-11, Toronto, Iafrate 1 (Reid, Ramage), pp, :27. 12, Toronto, Ramage 3 (Clark), 18:07. 13, St. Louis, Bassen 1 (Wilson), 19:24.

Penalties-Pearson, Tor, major (fighting), 2:53; Featherstone, StL, major (fighting) 2:53; Olczyk, Tor, minor-major (instigator-fighting), 5:42; Lowery, StL, major (fighting), 5:42; Iafrate, Tor, 6:29; Ronning, StL, 7:26; P. Cavallini, StL, 11:05; Marsh, Tor, major (fighting), 15:37; G. Cavallini, StL,

minor-major (slashing- fighting), 15:37.

Shots on goal-Toronto 10-12-11-33. St. Louis 20-12-9-41.

Power-play conversions-Toronto 6-2. St. Louis 6-2.

Goaltenders-Toronto, Reese; St. Louis, Riendeau. A-14,504.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

Edmonton	1	1	0	--2
Calgary	0	3	1	--4

First period-1, Edmonton, Linseman 3 (Simpson, S. Smith), pp, 14:54.

Penalties-Semenov, Edm, 4:26; MacInnis, Cgy, 6:26; Roberts, Cgy, 12:22; Nieuwendyk, Cgy, 14:36; Linseman, Edm, 15:20; Fleury, Cgy, 20:00.

Second period-2, Calgary, M. Hunter 2 (Otto, MacInnis), pp, 13:40. 3, Calgary, M. Hunter 3 (MacInnis, Reichel), pp, 16:37. 4, Edmonton, Klima 5 (Huddy), 17:35. 5, Calgary, Gilmour 2 (Sweeney), sh, 19:16.

Penalties-Brown, Edm, 3:51; Murphy, Edm, 11:59; S. Smith, Edm, 15:19; Hawgood, Edm, 15:19; Nieuwendyk, Cgy, 15:19; Roberts, Cgy, 15:19; Lowe, Edm, 16:26; M. Hunter, Cgy, 18:20; Tikkanen, Edm, 20:00; Otto, Cgy, 20:00.

Third period-6, Calgary, Matteau 3 (Reichel, MacInnis), 15:29.

Penalties- Calgary bench minor (served by M. Hunter), 2:00; Roberts, Cgy, 4:40; Klima, Edm, 4:57; Murzyn, Cgy, 5:41; Tikkanen, Edm, 9:00; S. Smith, Edm, 16:36; Gilmour, Cgy, 16:36.

Shots on goal-Edmonton 9 6 14-29. Calgary 8 15 9-32.

Power-play conversions-Edmonton 8-1. Calgary 6-2.

Goalies-Edmonton, Ranford. Calgary, Vernon.

Attendance-20,132.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Congress is chomping at the bit to get out on the stump and campaign for next month's elections. The entire House and about one-third of the Senate are up for re-election. But first, the members of Congress have to

settle some pressing issues. The House sent housing and defense bills to the Senate Thursday. And the Senate sent a new farm bill calling for a 25-percent cut in subsidies to President Bush for his signature.

But those measures are small potatoes compared to the budget talks. Congress is trying to find a way to trim the deficit by 500-BILLION dollars in the next five years. Congressional Democrats feel they've struck a compromise with Republicans and the White House in a package based on new gasoline and excise taxes and a higher tax rate for the rich. The president says he's ''feeling good about'' the latest proposal.

U-S District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson decides the fate of Washington, D-C Mayor Marion Barry Friday. The disgraced politician faces one year in jail and a 100-thousand-dollar fine for his one conviction of drug possession. U-S attorney Jay Stephens issued a scathing 19-page statement Thursday, arguing for the maximum sentence. He said Barry shows NO remorse and is- in his words- ''sorry only that he got caught.''

A member of El Salvador's congress was shot and killed Thursday on the outskirts of San Salvador. The lawmaker belonged to the ruling conservative Nationalist Republican Alliance. NO group has claimed responsibility, and there's evidence the congressman may've been killed in a robbery attempt. He's the sixth Salvadoran congressman to killed in 10 years of civil war.

A Time magazine poll of 505 young men and women shows they have NO misconceptions about the problems of juggling work with a family life. An overwhelming 82 percent of the 18-toyear-olds surveyed said they expected it to be difficult for a woman to have a career, marriage and children. But about half the men said they'd be willing to stay home and raise the children if that were an option.

There's good news and bad news in the Dallas fig-leaf controversy. The city fathers have removed fake fig leaves from a series of three one-foot-tall sculptures of female nudes on exhibit at the City Hall. But they've moved the statues to a less-conspicuous location in the building. The artist still finds the whole thing ''silly and kind of sad.''

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LAS VEGAS, Nev. (OCT. 26) UPI - Before defending his heavyweight championship, James ''Buster'' Douglas called himself his own worst enemy.

He then backed it up by putting on a pitiful display as heavyweight champion. Fortunately for fight fans, it was his last. Evander Holyfield took that title putting Douglas flat out at 1:10 of the third round with an overhand right to the head.

While Holyfield deserves credit for the way he handled himself under fire and while giving away 38 pounds Thursday night, Douglas certainly contributed to his own demise.

First, he came in grossly overweight at 246. Then he failed to throw a punch in anger, pawing at the smaller challenger with light jabs that fell short despite his substantial reach advantage.

Finally, he threw an amateurish right uppercut that Holyfield calmly stepped away from and countered with his own right. Down went Douglas, who stayed there for almost four minutes despite never losing consciousness.

Referee Mills Lane, who counted over the overweight champion, said he thought he could have gotten up. Others said the same.

''What a piece of junk,'' said Mike Trainer, the attorney for Sugar Ray Leonard who put together the pay-per-view end of Thursday night's show for promoter Steve Wynn.

''He's a dog. You expect people who fight for that money (a record $24 million) to show up and be professional. It's inexcusable.''

Douglas came into the fight looking to answer several questions. He had a tag as a lazy fighter who had either quit or run out of gas in previous losses.

Remarkably, he put it all together last Feb. 11 in Tokyo when he scored a shocking 10th-round knockout of Mike Tyson. At the time, it was described as the greatest upset in sports history. It is even more surprising now.

Douglas proved his critics correct Thursday night. He was lazy with little heart and no fire.

Promoter Don King, who had a signed contract from Douglas to fight a rematch with Tyson next, was among the critics.

''When the guy don't even try to get up, he went back to the same old Douglas '' King said. ''He quit again. He didn't even try to get up.

Douglas offered no excuses and no apologies.

''I'm not embarrassed,'' he said. ''Sometimes it goes your way, sometimes it doesn't.

''I don't think my weight had any bearing on the fight.''

Douglas's trainers should share the blame for failing to get their fighter in shape. Co-trainer John Russell said Douglas enjoyed the fruits of his championship too long before defending his title.

''James ''Buster'' Douglas's best weight is 230 pounds,'' Russell said. ''When we got him, he was big. He stayed out there a long time. He was on the circuit a long time. We should have fought in June. There's only so much weight you can take off without losing your strength.''

Butch Lewis, the promoter waiting on the sidelines to join the ex- champion's team, said there was ''nothing there.''

But he did not give up hope.

''He just needs the right team,'' Lewis said.

What he needs are bigger guys to pick him up next time.

''At this point I don't know,'' he said of his future. ''It's something I'll have to decide myself.''

Douglas's manager, John Johnson, spent the week boasting his fighter has more talent than Muhammad Ali. The way he fought Thursday, Douglas is lucky if he can beat Ali now.

Douglas, in tears at the post-fight press conference, watched the new champion enjoy his crown.

''It's sunk in,'' Holyfield said. ''I felt going into the fight I would be the heavyweight champion of the world.''

He probably knew it at the weigh-in.

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(OCT. 26) UPI -

Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	8	3	0	16	46	29
New Jersey	7	3	1	15	43	33
Philadelphia	6	4	0	12	40	35
Washington	5	6	0	10	36	35
Pittsburgh	4	5	1	9	42	41
NY Islanders	2	7	0	4	22	40

Adams Division

Montreal	6	4	1	13	41	39
Boston	5	4	1	11	31	37

Hartford	4	4	2	10	28	31
Quebec	3	5	3	9	37	44
Buffalo	1	5	3	5	28	35

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	7	4	0	14	37	26
St. Louis	6	3	1	13	37	33
Detroit	5	3	2	12	39	35
Minnesota	2	6	2	6	23	37
Toronto	1	9	1	3	28	54

Smythe Division

Los Angeles	7	1	1	15	45	24
Calgary	7	4	0	14	43	32
Vancouver	5	5	0	10	33	36
Winnipeg	3	6	1	7	33	34
Edmonton	2	5	2	6	29	30

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Chicago's Steve Larmer, who can expect a payday next week, Thursday night cost Washington a chance to steal a point or two on the road.

Larmer scored two goals, including the fastest overtime goal in club history, leading the Blackhawks to a 3-2 victory over the Capitals.

Scheduled for salary arbitration in the next week, Larmer continued to make a good case for himself by increasing his season's goal total to nine, second only to the 13 of St. Louis' Brett Hull.

''Sure, I look at numbers, but we'll wait and see what happens,'' said Larmer, who earned $265,000 last season. ''My job is to play hockey. My contract is in the hands of my agent (Larry Kelly), and I have complete confidence in him.''

Larmer intercepted Rod Langway's ill-advised clearing pass, then rifled a 30-footer over the left shoulder of goalie Don Beaupre eight seconds into the extra session. The former club mark was 18 seconds by Doug Wilson on Nov. 2, 1989.

''I was lucky,'' said Larmer, who is on a pace to eclipse his career highs of 46 goals and 90 points. ''(Langway) doesn't do that often.''

''It was a helluva shot,'' said Chicago Coach Mike Keenan. ''He's played very strongly. He had a big impact on the outcome tonight.''

The Blackhawks fought back from their second one-goal deficit at 5:53 of the third period when Chris Chelios slammed a short rebound of Wayne Presley's shot.

''I'm not frustrated,'' Washington Coach Terry Murray said after his club's three-game winning streak was snapped. ''Sure, we would have liked to get a point, but we did a lot of good things. It was a good game for everybody.''

After Troy Murray and Dirk Graham were whistled for minor penalities on the same sequence in the second period, Washington capitalized on the 5-on-3 manpower advantage to take a 2-1 lead.

Chicago defenseman Dave Manson played in the contest despite having been suspended four games the previous day by the league office. His suspension will begin Thursday when the Blackhawks host Quebec.

In other games, St. Louis blasted Toronto 8-5, Boston topped Vancouver 4-2, New Jersey routed Buffalo 5-1, Pittsburgh downed Quebec 6-3 and Calgary defeated Edmonton 4-2.

Blues 8, Maple Leafs 5

At St. Louis, Brett Hull scored his second hat trick in as many nights and Ron Wilson added two goals, helping the Blues stretch their unbeaten streak to five with back-to-back victories over Toronto. The Leafs are off to the worst start in franchise history with a 1-9-1 record.

Bruins 4, Canucks 2

At Boston, winger Dave Christian and defenseman Jim Wiemer scored just more than three minutes apart in the second period, helping the Bruins snap a four-game slide. Boston, outscored 26-4 in its last four games, posted its first win since a 4-2 victory Oct. 10 in Winnipeg.

Devils 5, Sabres 1

At East Rutherford, N.J., Kirk Muller scored one goal and added two assists, helping the Devils remain undefeated at home at 6-0-1. Troy Crowder put New Jersey ahead with a shot just under the crossbar behind goalkeeper Clint Malarchuk at 19:07. Rick Vaive scored a power-play goal for Buffalo.

Penguins 6, Nordiques 3

At Pittsburgh, Kevin Stevens scored three goals for his second career hat trick, helping the Penguins snap a four-game winless streak. Quebec goalie John Tanner was replaced by Ron Tugnutt after surrendering goals on Pittsburgh's first three shots.

Flames 4, Oilers 2

At Calgary, Doug Gilmour's short-handed goal at 19:16 of the second period broke a tie and lifted the Flames. Gilmour was sent in alone on a breakaway by Tim Sweeney, who stole the puck at the Edmonton blue line and fed a behind-the-back pass to Gilmour.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Around the world, around the clock, the latest news from U-P-I...

Congressional leaders are putting the finishing touches on a deficit- cutting plan. President Bush yesterday appeared willing to embrace the five-year proposal, which a spokesman called ''a historic bipartisan agreement.'' But lawmakers say a fair amount of work remains before a deal is set. .

With budget negotiations nearing a successful end, the Senate and the House are gunning for final adjournment of the 101st Congress during the weekend. Lawmakers are hoping to quit the nation's capital with only 10 days to go before midterm elections.

The White House appears to be changing its tactics in the Persian Gulf. Defense Secretary Cheney says as many as 100-thousand more U-S troops could be sent to Saudi Arabia. The move would represent a 50 percent increase in current troops levels... and possibly mark a switch from a defensive to an offensive force.

Marion Barry's lawyer is expected to argue during a sentencing hearing today that the Washington, D-C, mayor should NOT be sent to prison because he is a first-time drug offender. But prosecutors say Barry should serve the maxiumum one year in prison because of what they call his ''brazen disregard'' for the law.

A general strike called by unions has died down in the Philippines... but NOT the violence that came along with the work stoppage. The military says troops battled suspected rebels trying to burn a bus outside Manila today, leaving a policeman, two suspected rebels and a passenger dead.

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(OCT. 26) UPI -

Baseball

California - Declined arbitration with outfielder Brian Downing and reliever Greg Minton, making them free agents.

Kansas City - Announced it would not offer a contract to second baseman Frank White.

New York Mets - Signed infielder Tom Herr to a one-year contract; sold the contract of infielder Tom O'Malley to Hanshin of the Japan League.

San Diego - Named Ed Lynch director of minor leagues.

Basketball

Golden State - Signed center Steve Johnson, a restricted free agent, to a one-year contract.

LaCrosse (CBA) - Signed guards Herb Dixon, Marty Haws and Ricky Spicer; forwards Anthony Allen, Skip Barry, and Jeff McFadden; and center Mike Williams.

Philadelphia - Released forward Brian Rahilly and guard Kenny Travis.

College

La Salle - Suspended basketball guard Randy Woods for six games for punching teammate Keith Morris during a pickup game.

Football

Houston - Signed kicker Teddy Garcia.

Philadelphia - Signed running back Thomas Sanders and placed running back Robert Drummond on the injured reserve list.

Pittsburgh - Placed defensive end Aaron Jones on the injured reserve list and signed defensive lineman Craig Schlichting to their practice squad.

Hockey

NY Islanders - Assigned defensemen Joe Reekie and Jeff Finley and left wing Brad Lauer to Capital District of the AHL; re- assigned center Greg Parks to Capital District.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Striking Daily News workers used rocks and sticks to smash up a bus believed to have carried non-union workers Friday in a walkout

that could determine the fate of the nation's largest daily tabloid newspaper.

Just after midnight, about 25 to 30 union members stormed a bus, occupied only by its driver, near Brooklyn plant. There were no reported injuries.

Seven of the Daily News's 10 unions went on strike Thursday night, bringing to a boil a simmering contract dispute between the 1.2 million circulation newspaper and its workers, who have been without a contract since March 31.

The News published a smaller paper Friday, but the early edition was more than three hours late. The newspaper, which is owned by the Tribune Co. of Chicago, planned to hire permanent workers to replace the strikers.

One man was arrested a short distance from the plant for throwing a rock that hit two police officers at 12:35 a.m., said police spokeswoman Sgt. Mary Wrensen.

During the attack on the bus, rocks and bricks went flying the windshield and windows were completely smashed. Police prevented strikers from overturning the bus.

About 200 police officers, some in riot gear and on horseback, were posted in the area where a crowd of 150 people remained through the night.

''We're at the bridge,'' said Mike Alvino, head of the Newspaper and Mail Deliverer's Union, which represents the drivers. ''We're officially on strike for unfair labor practices.''

The drivers were immediately joined in the strike by unionized mailers, pressmen and four smaller unions. Only the Newspaper Guild, the stereotypers and the typographers did not walk out.

The Newspaper Guild, which represents reporters and editors at the paper, will honor picketlines, said George McDonald, head of the Allied Printing Trades Council, the umbrella group for the 10 unions.

Management spokesman John Sloan said the News was using the Brooklyn facility and plants in Garden City, Long Island and Kearney, N.J., to put out Friday's paper.

Asked whether non-union workers were being used, Sloan said, ''We have a very extensive contingency plan that is now in place and since employees have gone out on strike, we will be permanently replacing any employee who is now gone out on strike.''

The unions dispatched pickets to the paper's headquarters on Manhattan's 42nd Street, where unionized editors and reporters continued working.

Alvino said the driver's union struck in response to management's decision to lay off 60 members of his union who were ''arbitrarily'' picked for firings.

But News spokeswoman Lisa Robinson denied there were any layoffs and blamed the unions for the strike.

''The Daily News position is we think it is indeed unfortunate that a strike was provoked by these unions against the Daily News, at a time when we were involved in the collective bargaining process to resolve our differences,'' Robinson said.

The strike followed a violent confrontation that happened early Thursday as workers prepared to deliver the day's editions. About 200 members of the drivers union left their jobs at the Brooklyn plant Wednesday over the firing of a union member who, claiming a medical disability, wanted to sit down as he worked.

As non-union labor was brought in to help deliver the paper, unionized workers rampaged outside the plant early Thursday, attacking a bus carrying the non-union workers and setting fire to delivery trucks.

Daily News officials said the workers walked off the job ''voluntarily'' and described the action as a strike. They immediately began hiring permanent replacements.

Members of the drivers union, however, insisted they had been ordered from the plant Thursday morning and then locked out when they tried to return to work.

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MANILA, Philippines (OCT. 26) UPI - An earthquake measuring 6.2 on the Richter scale struck the southern Philippines, causing minor damage to buildings but no injuries, officials and news reports said Friday.

Philippine Volcanology Institute spokesman Lito Lanuza said the temblor at 7:01 p.m. Thursday was centered in the town of Bislig, 895 miles south of Manila.

Witnesses quoted by radio reports said the quake caused cracks on building walls and toppled bottles from racks of variety stores, but no one was hurt.

The temblor also was felt in varying degrees in the nearby cities of Davao and Cagayan de Oro in Mindanao and the central cities of Tacloban and Cebu.

It was the third quake to hit the Bislig area in 11 months.

On March 27, a quake which measured 5.6 on the Richter scale killed one person

and injured two others in Bislig.

On Dec. 15, two people were killed in Surigao City near Bislig in a magnitude 7.3 temblor.

An earthquake with measuring 7.7 hit the northern Philippines July 16, killing more than 1,600 people and causing extensive devastation.

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#90299u0304 10/26/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (OCT. 26) UPI - Former Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone said Friday he will travel to Baghdad next week to meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and seek the release of Japanese hostages.

Nakasone, Japan's prime minister from 1982 to 1987, said he also wants to discuss a peaceful solution to the crisis, but his priority will be to win the release of the Japanese hostages.

''Of course, as a Japanese, I am most concerned about the Japanese,'' Nakasone 73, said at a news conference announcing his plans. ''I want to do whatever I can to solve the situation.''

Iraqi Ambassador to Japan Rashid Al-Rifai said Hussein will meet with Nakasone who is expected to leave Thursday for Baghdad and stay four days.

Nakasone decided to go to Baghdad in response to the requests of the families of Japanese hostages, news reports said.

His decision was influenced by the trip of Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath to Baghdad earlier this week which resulted in the release of 38 British hostages.

There are more than 200 Japanese trapped in Iraq, including 139 who are being held hostage at strategic locations.

Nakasone will be going as an individual not as a representative of the government, a spokesman for the Japanese Foreign Ministry said.

''We are not involved in the visit,'' said Taizo Watanabe.

Watanabe said Nakasone will work for the release of all hostages, not just Japanese.

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#90299u0310 10/26/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 26) UPI - A powerful storm with winds approaching hurricane strength

slammed the North Carolina coast Friday causing flooding and beach erosion, while frost hit the Appalachians and Midwest and showers dampened the Northwest.

The storm prompted gale and coastal flood warnings along the Outer Banks of North Carolina as the storm moved slowly off the coast with winds topping 65 mph and seas running as high as 16 feet.

The storm was caused by the counter clockwise rotation of a low pressure system off the coast combining with the clockwise rotation of high pressure over the Midwest.

The high pressure system pulled freezing air down from Canada, so while the coast was battered by stormy weather, a frost warning was in effect for the north foothills and parts of South Carolina.

The storm also affected the Virginia and Delaware coasts with high tides and strong winds as it moved northeast off the North Carolina shoreline. A flood warning was in effect for the Delaware coast.

Storm warnings extended north to Atlantic City, which had clouds, temperatures in the 50s and northeast winds topping 30 mph. Newark, N.J., had clouds and winds that were increasing in strength.

The high pressure system sent temperatures below freezing from the Middle Atlantic states to the Midwest, and frost warnings were posted in West Virginia and the eastern third of Ohio, where skies were clear and temperatures in the low 30s.

Clear skies also covered the Great Plains, and stretched to the Rockies. Denver had clear skies and lows in the upper 30s with winds reaching 20 mph.

Showers doused Washington and other parts of the Pacific Northwest but skies began to clear and temperatures rose toward the upper 50s.

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#90299u0312 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

BARROW, AK (OCT. 26) UPI - An extensive two-week search of the polar ice north of Alaska ended after officials gave up trying to find two federal biologists and their pilot who disappeared on a bear-tracking mission.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service polar bear specialists and a pilot vanished Oct. 11 during a low-altitude bear survey over the ice 200 miles north of Point Barrow, the northernmost point of land in the United States.

The Coast Guard coordinated a massive search, using three of its C- 130s, three civilian aircraft and a sophisticated Canadian radar plane to cover a

60,000-square-mile area over and over again until search planes had covered a total of 305,000 square miles when the effort ended in failure Thursday night.

''To have three C-130s and four chartered aircraft searching day after day is a massive effort,'' Coast Guard Lt. Dan Bobalek said.

Not a single clue was ever found despite the tremendous effort so the Coast Guard declared the search at an end when its planes returned Thursday night, Coast Guard spokeswoman Kathy Yonce said from Juneau.

The biologists' twin-engine Aero Commander had two weeks of food on board, and the search lasted a full two weeks. The missing plane also carried survival gear and two emergency locator transmitters, but no signal was ever picked up.

Although there was a stretch of open water between the northern coast of Alaska and the polar ice pack, the search was concentrated over the ice where the biologists were tracking bears.

Even night searches were conducted to see if the sound of search planes might elicit signal flares from the missing trio.

The biologists, John Bevins, 35, and George Menkens, 33, and their pilot, Clifford Minch, 50, were all from Anchorage. They were tracking radio-collared polar bears in a study of female and cub population and survival.

Bevins and Menkens were two of the five polar bears biologists employed by the federal wildlife agency in Alaska.

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#90299u0317 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (OCT. 26) UPI - The Juvenile Court Friday postponed a trial of a 17-year-old British girl charged with trying to smuggle more than 65 pounds of heroin out of Thailand, officials said.

Patricia Ann Cahill was sent to the juvenile court but the prosecutor asked the court to postpone the trial, said Sakol Liuruang, director of the Observation and Protection Center for juvenile suspects.

The court set the next hearing for Cahill on Nov. 13.

''She is in good spirits and fine. She can eat Thai food and speak some Thai '' Sakol said.

''She has denied all charges,'' Sakol said.

Cahill and her British friend, Karyn Joanne Smith, 19, both from Birmingham, were arrested with more than 65 pounds of heroin hidden in their suitcases on

July 18 while they were preparing to board a flight at Bangkok International Airport.

Smith, because she is over 18 years old, is being tried at Bangkok Criminal Court with the next hearing set for Nov. 9.

So far neither defendant has registered an official plea in their cases.

The two girls would have faced possible death sentence if were 20 years old, but under Thai law, the judges have to reduce penalties for persons under 20 years old.

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CORINNA, ME (OCT. 26) UPI - A house fire early Friday killed three children and an adult, officials said.

The house was completely engulfed in flames when firefighters arrived shortly before 1 a.m., said Department of Safety spokesman Stephen McCausland.

The house was reportedly owned by Robert and Christina Sands. A fire department official said the couple escaped the blaze with another child.

The names of those killed were not officially released.

The dead man was said to be a 29-year-old family friend. The children were aged 3, 4 and 7.

Four investigators from the State Fire Marshal's Office and a medical examiner were on the scene.

The cause of the fire was not immediately known, but initial reports said it may have been caused by a wood stove.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Fears of hostilities in the Persian Gulf sent stock prices tumbling Friday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, dropping its leading indicator 1.4 percent.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selective issues, which surged 475.75 points Thursday, fell 346.99 points to end the week at 25,005.64.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares, which gained 39.15 points Thursday, dropped 19.59 points to 1, 861.04.

Volume was comparatively thin as an estimated 500 million shares changed hands down from 725 million shares Thursday.

Declines out paced advances 658 to 343, while 126 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, banks, exchanges and most major businesses were closed Friday in Hong Kong for the start of the Chung Yeung Festival holiday. Trading will resume Monday.

In Singapore, stocks slumped in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange following the tumble in Tokyo.

In Bangkok, stocks continued to fall in moderate trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which fell 10.66 points Thursday, lost another 10.12 points or 1.4 percent to 688.57.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 2.3 billion Thai shares, compared with 3.5 billion shares changing hands Thursday.

Prices fell sharply in active trading on the Korean Stock Exchange.

The Korean Composite Stock Index, which fell 28.21 points Thursday, lost 32.03 points or 4.2 percent to 735.03.

Declines overpowered advances 906 to only 38.

In Taipei, stocks closed sharply lower in heavy trading on the Taiwan Stock Exchange.

The Taiwan Stock Exchange Weighted Index plunged 203.05 points - or 5.8 percent - to 3,316.36.

In Australia, stocks were broadly lower in active trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which slipped 1.4 points Thursday, dived 20.6 points to 1,354.7.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 96.2 million shares, compared with 56.4 million shares changing hands Thursday.

In Wellington, New Zealand investors pushed stock prices higher in light trading.

The Barclays Share-Price Index, which tumbled 45.01 points Thursday, rebounded 31.46 points to 1,409.18.

Analysts said prices moved higher as local investors sought selected blue chip stocks with high yields.

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NAGS HEAD, NC (OCT. 26) UPI - Hurricane-force winds ripped a dredge from its moorings Friday, slamming the vessel into the Herbert C. Bonner bridge and tearing a 300-foot section from the only land link between Hatteras Island and the mainland.

Five thousand people were left isolated.

No injuries were reported on either the dredge or the bridge from the 2 a.m. impact. North Carolina transportation officials, who estimated repairs could take up to six months, worked to establish emergency ferry service to the island along North Carolina's Outer Banks.

Gusts of 90 mph blew the 200-foot-long dredge into the 2.5 mile bridge, which spans Oregon Inlet. Telephone and electrical service were knocked out to the Hatteras Island communities of Buxton, Rodanthe and Salvo.

''The people on Hatteras Island are isolated,'' said emergency management spokeswoman Gwen White. ''There's ocean overwash in Buxton and Rodanthe, but we do not perceive there is any danger to anyone.''

Sheriff's deputies and emergency medical personnel braved choppy waters for a boat ride to the island, but reported no major problems, White said.

Emergency officials used ham radios to stay in contact with the island's residents.

''When you live in this part of the country, you're accustomed somewhat to isolation,'' White said. ''Our concern is to get generators down there to get power returned.''

But heavy rain and winds hammered the coast early Friday, hindering the National Guard's effort to get generators to the island and the transportation department's plans to establish ferry runs.

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#90299u0574 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 25: Purchases of 314,694 shares and sales of 402,582 shares including 20,182 shares sold short.

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#90299u0575 10/26/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 26) UPI - White House chief of staff John Sununu warns congressional leaders against any funny business in the last stage of budget talks. He said yesterday ''there's a lot of mischief that can be done'' in putting the final touches on a budget deficit-cutting plan. Congressional and administration bargainers have agreed on a rough framework for the five-year package.

Federal prosecutors are seeking a one-year jail term for Washington D-C Mayor Marion Barry. Barry is scheduled to be sentenced today for his conviction on a single count of drug possession. In court papers, Barry argued that during his trial- in his words- ''I may have appeared to be calm and UNmoved, but on the inside, I was suffering nearly UNbearable humiliation.'' Barry wants to be sentenced to community service.

Drug chief William Bennett is in Alaska on a mission to outlaw legal marijuana in Alaska. But his entourage of security agents appeared to outnumber supporters during an anti-drug meeting last night sponsored by Alaskans for Drug-free Youth. Despite speaking to a largely pro- marijuana crowd, Bennett explained that he came to Alaska to convince voters to re-criminalize marijuana in balloting November 6th.

Philippine military officials say four people were killed as troops fought suspected communist rebels trying to burn a passenger bus near Manila. Officials say four rebels escaped during the melee. The gun battle erupted as a general strike called by leftist unions appeared to fizzle after two days. The unions want an increase in the daily minimum wage, which is the equivalent of three dollars 46 cents.

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#90299u0576 10/26/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 26) UPI - The Pentagon is putting the U-S-S Iowa in mothballs, in part due to budget cuts and costs associated with a tragic gun turret explosion. De- commissioning ceremonies will be held for the battleship today at Norfolk Naval Station in Virginia. A 1989 gun turret explosion on the Iowa killed 47 sailors. The cause of the blast remains under investigation. The Navy says it would cost about 12-Million dollars to repair the Iowa's gutted Number Two gun turret.

NASA says the Hubble Space Telescope will photograph a huge storm on Saturn next month. The storm is called ''the Great White Spot'' or ''Wilber Spot'' after New Mexico astronomer Steuart Wilber who discovered it last month. It now measures more than 50-thousand miles in diameter, making it larger than the ''Great Red Spot'' on Jupiter. Hubble telescope will photograph the storm for three days.

A former professional wrestler plans to go to Iraq in a bid to win freedom for Japanese hostages. Published reports say the only member of Japan's Sports and Peace Party with a seat in parliament will try to organize a music and sports festival in Baghdad. A Tokyo paper said members of Japan's parliament are UNhappy with the wrestler's efforts. He went to Iraq last month on a trip to secure the hostages' freedom, but came back to Tokyo empty-handed.

Right-wing French politician Francois Leotard threatens to resign from the conservative Republican party, saying he wants to return to grass roots work as a party militant. Leotard has been president for the small party for two years. The party is a key member of the center-right Union for French Democracy grouping.

Diaper maker Dandees Enterpriess vows to remove the words ''bio- degradable'' from its packaging by year's end. The firm will become the second Southern California company to do so. Dandees says it's taking the action in response to a state law that takes effect next year. The law restricts use of the term ''bio-degradable'' to products that decompose within one year through natural biological processes.

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#90299u0606 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

BUDAPEST, Hungary (OCT. 26) UPI - Transportation in Budapest ground to a halt Friday and the main roads to several other towns were blocked by taxi drivers staging a strike to protest a steep rise in gasoline prices.

Cab drivers in the capital began a spontaneuous demonstration Thursday night and were soon joined by others around the country, hours after the government announced price increases of up to 70 percent for gasoline, effective at 12:01 a.m. Friday.

Talks between representatives of the drivers and government officials began early Friday in an attempt to end the protests amid demands by the drivers to suspend the price increases while negotiations continued.

In Budapest, all seven bridges across the Danube were blocked and major intersections sealed off by taxis and trucks. Gyor, the major thoroughfare leading west toward neighboring Austria, also was completely sealed off as were several other major arteries.

Drivers also blocked roads in several other large towns and sealed off border cossing points.

A roadblock in the town of Szekesfehervar, south of Budapest, delayed the departure of Red Army troops heading to the Soviet Union from a local army base, prompting a warning from Defense Ministry spokesman Gyorgy Keleti.

Emergency vehicles were allowed to pass with the assistance of the taxi drivers and police, who made no attempt to intervene with the biggest nationwide demonstration by taxi drivers in Hungary's modern history. Despite appeals, the drivers refused to allow commercial vehicles through the blockades, causing shortages of milk and bread and other foods in city shops.

Despite the inconveniences, most Budapest residents appeared supportive of the strike, which came as a result of ''a wrong political decision,'' Automobile Club general secretary Tibor Balogh told Budapest radio.

Food stores in the capital were filled with shoppers trying to snatch up whatever was available amid fears there would be no fresh food deliveries through the weekend.

Budapest Police Chief Sandor Barna told the radio the authorities may intervene if the crisis was not soon resolved.

The official news agency MTI said police already had prepared contingency plans to remove the blockades and restore normal traffic flow if necessary. Budapest Radio said police may begin to remove the barricades from the bridges as early as mid-day.

Government spokesman Balazs Laszlo described the drivers' protest as ''unlawful,'' saying the striking drivers had not given 72 hours notice of their demonstration.

The first round of negotiations aimed at ending the strike began at 8 a.m. Friday between representatives of the drivers, National Trade Union Council General Secretary Sandor Nagy and Interior Ministry officials.

The talks broke off a few hours later, with the drivers vowing to continue their protest until the government reversed its decision on price inreases.

Interior Minister Balazs Horvath was in charge of the government while Prime Minister Jozsef Antall was recovering in a hospital after undergoing minor surgery on Thursday.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	sy	76	43	....
Anchorage	cy	36	23	....
Asheville	w	54	30	.73
Atlanta	sy	58	37	....

Baltimore pc	52	33	....
Billings pc	70	42	....
Birmingham sy	63	31	....
Bismarck w	72	36	....
Boston cy	50	35	....
Brownsville sy	83	61	....
Buffalo pc	43	33	.04
Burlington Vt. cy	40	24	.02
Charleston S.C. pc	63	40	....
Charlotte w	58	33	2.65
Chicago sy	55	41	....
Cincinnati sy	54	35	....
Cleveland pc	50	35	....
Columbus Ohio sy	52	35	....
Dallas sy	76	54	....
Denver f	79	40	....
Des Moines sy	65	44	....
Detroit sy	50	36	....
Duluth sy	60	40	....
El Paso sy	83	45	....
Evansville sy	58	36	....
Fargo w	74	38	....
Hartford pc	51	27	....
Honolulu sy	87	73	.02
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Indianapolis sy	55	36	....
Jackson Miss. sy	66	35	....
Jacksonville sy	67	40	....
Kansas City sy	71	45	.04
Las Vegas sy	86	53	....
Little Rock sy	68	43	....
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Memphis sy	65	45	....
Miami Beach pc	71	56	....
Milwaukee pc	54	42	....
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New Orleans sy	68	45	....
New York cy	52	37	....
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Orlando sy	70	50	....
Philadelphia w	52	35	....
Phoenix sy	96	65	....
Pittsburgh pc	47	30	....
Portland Me. cy	43	29	.22
Portland Ore. pc	64	46	.15

Providence cy	51	32	....
Richmond pc	52	30	....
St. Louis sy	63	43	....
Salt Lake City sy	74	39	....
San Antonio sy	80	54	....
San Diego f	78	61	....
San Francisco pc	68	54	....
San Juan ts	89	74	.11
Seattle pc	59	45	.14
Spokane f	59	36	.08
Tampa sy	71	48	....
Washington pc	55	36	....
Wichita sy	79	48	....

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cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $376.20 silver base of $4.21 and platinum price of $418.10:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$391.70	390.40
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	201.00	200.30
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	103.20	102.90
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.70	42.50
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	391.70	390.40
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	201.00	200.30
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	103.70	103.40
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.70	42.50
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	398.00	397.10

China Panda .50 troy oz.	205.10	204.60
China Panda .25 troy oz.	106.40	106.10
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	45.90	45.80
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.40	27.40
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	391.90	391.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	200.20	199.80
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	101.20	101.00
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.60	43.50
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	390.30	399.40
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	202.10	201.60
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	103.70	103.50
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.20	44.10
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	390.20	389.20
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	200.60	200.10
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.10	85.90
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.60	44.50
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.80	23.70
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.62	$5.66
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,180	$3,210
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,350	$1,375
Platinum		
Australian Koala	433.00	440.00
Isle of Man Noble	430.00	437.00
Canada Maple Leaf	441.00	449.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Tax issues remain as budget negotiators try to wrap up a five-year deficit-trimming package on Capitol Hill. Congressional leaders worked into the early hours today trying to work out the last details of the budget plan.

Former Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone says he'll travel to Baghdad next week to meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Nakasone says his top priority will be to win the release of Japanese hostages held in Iraq. .

Secretary of State Baker may also be planning a trip to the gulf region.

Diplomatic sources say Baker is expected to travel to Saudi Arabia to get the oil kingdom's permission for a possible mililtary strike against Iraq.

The Coast Guard has called off the search for two biologists and their pilot who disappeared on a bear-tracking mission north of Alaska. NOT a single clue of the trio was found during a two-week search involving seven planes.

Prosecutors are urging a federal judge to sentence Marion Barry to the maximum one year in prison when the Washington, D-C, mayor is sentenced on a drug charge today. Barry says he was punished during his trial.

Soviet President Gorbachev is making his first foreign trip since winning the Nobel Peace Prize. Gorbachev left Moscow today for Spain and France in visits to underline the Soviet Union's desire to participate in European affairs.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 26) UPI - Adult humor magazine National Lampoon, a 1970s success story that has fallen on hard times, acquired a new owner who promised to revive and expand the publication.

''We have a great franchise name in National Lampoon, and we're going to build on that,'' said James Jimirro, president and chief executive officer of J2 Communications, a comedy video company that announced Thursday that it had completed its previously announced $4.7 million buyout of National Lampoon Inc.

Jimirro, who founded the Disney cable channel in 1986 during his 16 year stint at Walt Disney Co., promised that the Lampoon, currently being published six times a year, will return to monthly publication in February.

The magazine currently has a circulation of about 250,000, less than a third of its peak a decade ago. ''I think that the magazine has been under-managed '' Jimirro said.

Jimirro has installed George Barkin as the magazine's new editor, but said that there are no plans to boost the staff of 15.

Jimirro also said that the Lampoon will move into areas such as theater shows, merchandising, videos, radio and television. He noted that Disney has been successful in such diversification moves because of the ''synergy'' that can be built in seemingly disparate areas.

''Quite frankly, the Disney marketing thrust is going to be our model,'' Jimirro said.

The Lampoon was first published in 1970 largely with alumni of the Harvard University humor magazine, the Harvard Lampoon. It became a success by

appealing to baby boomers' humor with off-beat features, such as ''True Facts '' a monthly collection of bogus news called ''The Yellow Pages,'' the diary of the wife of former Vice President Spiro T. Agnew and conversations with a foul-mouthed New York cabbie named ''Bernie X.''

Its most notorious cover featured a dog with a gun pointed at its head and the message: ''If you don't buy this magazine, we'll kill this dog.''

In the early 1970s, the magazine also backed a theater show that helped launch the careers of several stars of ''Saturday Night Live,'' including Bill Murray and the late John Belushi.

The company hit its peak in the late 1970s, following the release of its smash hit movie, ''Animal House,'' starring Belushi. It also lent its name to three National Lampoon ''Vacation'' movies, each starring Chevy Chase.

The magazine's monthly circulation peaked at about 850,000 about a decade ago, but then began a steady decline throughout the 1980s.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - Senate Republican leader Robert Dole cautioned Friday that budget negotiations were ''creeping along'' and warned that the long-sought agreement could fall short of the five-year $500 billion goal in deficit cuts.

''The budget process is still creeping along,'' Dole said. ''There are a number of issues, major issues, still to be resolved.''

In brief Senate remarks, Dole said, ''We're losing some of our savings in the last days of the budget negotiations.

''Some are saying we can't reduce spending,'' Dole said. ''If we're going to reduce cuts in spending, we may not wind up with this magic $500 billion in five years.''

''We are going to insist, OK, if we fall short on the savings side, let's also take some taxes out,'' Dole said.

Dole cited among the issues that have not been settled some problems with the proposed new tax rate of 31 percent for the wealthiest taxpayers and at what stage they should lose deductions and exemptions.

The Senate Republican leader, however, remained optimistic that an agreement could be reached by nightfall and that Congress would quickly pass the package and adjourn for the year.

Negotiators failed to reach an agreement despite late-night talks Thursday, putting together the crucial details to the framework of a package that seems to have the backing of Democrats and the administration.

Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, worked into the early hours of Friday morning on tying up loose ends in taxes and Medicare cuts.

While President Bush appeared willing to embrace the plan, White House Chief of Staff John Sununu warned congressional leaders against hiding any surprises among the final details.

''There's a lot of mischief that can be done in the details and we don't want to commit to something and discover an accumulation of mischief that undermines the agreements that have been made,'' said Sununu after spending 2 1/2 hours trying to rally support for the package among rebellious House Republicans.

Sununu sounded positive about the chances the House and Senate would approve the package once it is finished.

''I have faith all the time,'' Sununu said. ''I'm an optimist.''

Asked about the unfinished deal while jogging on the grounds of the vice presidential residence in Washington, Bush told reporters he was ''feeling good about it.''

''The president does believe this budget report is a historic bipartisan agreement,'' White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said. ''Although the process has been somewhat tortuous, we can believe there has been solid achievement.''

Earlier, Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas said ''at least two dozen issues'' remained unresolved, including some spending cuts, ''a number of issues on the tax side'' and agriculture.

Bentsen said that ''we've got a lot of work to do'' before the deal is set. He did say the Senate had agreed to cut Medicare by about $42 billion over five years, embracing the House proposal and slicing $7 billion in cuts from the Senate bill.

Among outstanding issues, Panetta said, were ''a huge number'' of tax issues, whether to extend some expiring business tax breaks and whether to agree to language in the Senate bill granting new tax breaks to encourage oil drilling.

''I have a feeling it may be more controversial than some of the other stuff '' Panetta said of the oil-drilling breaks.

Senate tax negotiators also sought to raise the deduction limitation on income over $125,000 to 4 percent, up from the 3 percent for income over $100,000 contained the House version, and sought alterations in the House personal exemption phaseout plan.

Panetta said, ''I sense that there is a drive toward conclusion'' of the budget process - a 10-month partisan tug of war that began in January when Bush unveiled his fiscal year 1991 budget plan and included a bipartisan budget summit that produced a deal the House rejected earlier this month.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Diplomatic sources said Secretary of State James Baker is expected to travel to Saudi Arabia to obtain permission for a military strike against Iraq if that option is deemed necessary, while Defense Secretary Dick Cheney confirmed the present U.S. force in the desert may be increased by 100,000 troops.

The sources said Thursday the latest decision regarding Baker is a strong signal to Iraq that the United States is deadly serious about its stand that Saddam must unconditionally withdraw his troops from Kuwait.

Prince Bandar Bin Sultan, the Saudi ambassador to the United States, met with Undersecretary of State for Political Affairs Robert Kimmitt and the State Department's top expert on counter-terrorism, Morris Busbie.

As he left, Bandar said: ''The question of war and peace is in the hands of Saddam Hussein.''

Meanwhile, Saddam said Thursday that some 700 Bulgarian hostages can leave Iraq. The decision came in a joint communique issued after talks with Bulgaria's visiting vice-president, Baghdad Radio said.

''All Bulgarians in Iraq can now leave the country freely,'' the state-owned radio said. There was no explanation why the Bulgarians were allowed to leave.

Former Japanese Prime Minister Yashuhiro Nakasone said Friday he will travel to Baghdad next week to meet with Saddam in an effort to convince him to release of Japanese hostages. Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath secured the release of 54 British and American hostages this week after a personal appeal to the Iraqi president.

Nine of the 14 Americans released by Iraq this week arrived at Dulles International Airport outside Washington Thursday evening. The other five had arrived in New York Wednesday, the same day 40 British captives celebrated their own arrival in London.

Officials at Paris's Charles de Gaulle airport said 25 Portuguese hostages arrived in the French capital from Baghdad via Jordan Thursday.

Some 330 French hostages also were expected to leave Iraq soon.

Iraq is holding some 5,000 Western hostages as human shields against Western attack. Baghdad is also preventing some 5,000 Soviet nationals from leaving the country though neither Iraq nor the Soviet Union have classified the Soviets as hostages.

A senior exiled Kuwaiti government official in Cairo said up to 7,000 Kuwaiti nationals were known to have been killed or missing in the aftermath of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

''The Kuwaiti government does not know the exact number of people killed because Iraq has not allowed any international humanitarian organizations to investigate its illegal actions in Kuwait,'' said the Kuwaiti official, who asked his name not be used.

''We know that up to 7,000 Kuwaitis have been killed or are missing after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait'' on Aug. 2, the official said.

Cairo Radio and Egypt's Middle East News Agency quoted officials at Kuwait's Embassy in the Syrian capital of Damascus as saying 4,200 Kuwaitis were killed in the aftermath of the Iraqi invasion.

The state-owned radio said Iraqi forces also took 12,000 Kuwaiti soldiers and civilians into custody.

It was the first time Kuwaiti officials were quoted as giving specific figures of casualties after Saddam ordered his tanks and troops to occupy the emirate and crush all resistance.

At least half of Kuwait's 20,000-strong armed forces fled to Saudi Arabia after the Iraqi invasion, according to Kuwait's exiled defense minister, who said units of the remaining Kuwaiti army were now deployed on the front-line on the Saudi-Kuwaiti border.

A spokesman for the Cairo-based Arab Organization for Human Rights also estimated that 7,000 Kuwaitis have been killed or are missing in the aftermath of the Iraqi invasion, but warned the figures could be an ''underestimate.''

Cheney said as many as 100,000 additional U.S. troops could be sent to the Persian Gulf, an increase military leaders were seeking to enable them to launch an attack.

The Pentagon said there were already more than 210,000 U.S. ground, air and naval troops in Saudi Arabia and the surrounding region, facing an Iraqi force of 430,000 in Kuwait and southern Iraq.

Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, was believed to have received a request for another three heavily armored or mechanized divisions during his visit to Saudi Arabia Monday and Tuesday from the commander of the U.S. Central Command, Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - Former Supreme Court Justice Lewis Powell says he may have been wrong to vote with the majority in a split-decision upholding a Georgia statute criminalizing sodomy between consenting adults.

Powell's thoughts on the subject are to be published in The National Law Journal Monday and are based on a speech he gave before a group of law students at New York University School of Law Oct. 18 and in an interview with the Journal on Oct 23.

In his appearance before the students, Powell was asked how he reconciled the 1986 decision in Bowers vs. Hardwick, which limited the right to privacy, with his vote in Roe vs. Wade, which extended a woman's right to privacy to include the decision to have an abortion.

''I think I probably made a mistake in that one,'' Powell said of the Bowers decision, the Journal reported.

In the interview with the Journal, Powell said, ''I do think I was inconsistent in a general way with Roe. When I had the opportunity to reread the opinions a few months later, I thought the dissent had the better of the arguments.''

Powell also told the Journal that his vote was the swing vote that allowed his conservative colleagues to win. ''My vote was the deciding vote that made the decision 5-4,'' he said.

Lawrence Tribe, the Harvard law professor who presented the losing argument before the Supreme Court, told the Journal that Powell's admission is ''certainly noteworthy and gratifying, even though it comes a bit too late.''

The case involved Michael Hardwick of Georgia, who was charged with criminal sodomy with a man in his bedroom. The charge was dropped, but Hardwick sued, challenging the statute's constitutionality.

Powell, in his concurring opinion, wrote, ''I agree with the court that there is no fundamental right - i.e., no substantive right under the due process clause - such as that claimed by the respondent.''

The majority opinion, written by Justice Byron White, relied on historical proscriptions of homosexual activity in Western law. White wrote: ''Against this background, to claim that a right to engage in such conduct is 'deeply rooted in this nation's history and tradition' or 'implicit in the concept of ordered liberty' is, at best, facetious.''

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HONG KONG (OCT. 26) UPI - Less than a month after establishing full diplomatic ties with China and making an official visit to the communist country, Singapore Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew said Friday a shake-up of the Beijing government is inevitable.

In a speech at the Hong Kong Foreign Correspondents' Club, Lee also staunchly defended his nation's restrictions on the Western press while about 25 students protested outside against the measures.

Lee, who just completed a nine-day visit to China, said he was convinced that many younger Chinese leaders thought the country needed to dramatically increase its limited free-market system to solve the communist nation's economic problems.

These leaders ''realize that you cannot solve China's problems with a state plan for the big industries and a free-market system for the smaller industries,'' he said. ''It just won't work.

''I think there will be a shake-up when the old guard leaves the scene. I think it must happan. It is invevitable.''

Lee, who is scheduled to step down next month after 31 years as prime minister defended his policy of restricting the circulation of foreign publications that commented on Singapore's domestic issues without giving the government the right of full reply.

Two Hong Kong-based Dow Jones publications, the Asian Wall Street Journal and the Far Eastern Economic Review, had their circulations slashed in Singapore after refusing to grant Lee space to dispute reports they printed about the island republic.

Both have suspended all circulation in the Southeast Asian city-state in response to the restrictions.

''If these publications are so committed to publishing the facts and furthering the market place of ideas, than why are they so against printing what I have to say?'' Lee asked. ''Since you (foreign media) are entering my game, you must play by my rules.''

The protesters, mostly students, confronted Lee when he arrived at the FCC, waving signs and chanting slogans critical of the press restrictions.

The students said Singapore's restrictions could set a dangerous precedent for similar measures in Hong Kong after the British colony returns to Chinese rule in 1997.

''We will fight for press freedom in Hong Kong,'' said university student Monina Wong. ''We need to send a message to people that economic prosperity cannot be earned at the expense of freedom.''

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DUBLIN, IRELAND (OCT. 26) UPI - A tape recording of Deputy Minister Brian Lenihan saying his party used questionable tactics to get more government power eight years ago has caused a controversy that threatens to topple the coalition government of Charles Haughey.

Lenihan is considered the front runner in a three-way race for the Irish presidency on Nov. 7, and the tape recording of an interview he gave to a political science student named James Duffy last May has brought about a vote of confidence on the government next Tuesday.

Lenihan denies any role in the affair, even though the tapes were aired Thursday at a televised news conference.

The controversy which is being compared to the Watergate scandal involves political maneuvers after the Jan. 27, 1982, collapse of the 7- month-old center-left coalition government led by Prime Minister Garrett Fitzgerald after a vote of no confidence in the lower house of Parliament.

It has been repeatedly alleged senior members of the then-opposition party, including Lenihan and incumbent Prime Minister Charles Haughey, phoned President Patrick Hillery to dissuade him from dissolving Parliament and calling an election.

They wanted the president - who aside from being able to dissolve parliament holds an otherwise largely symbolic post - to let Haughey form a new government by simply proving his strength on the floor of the house.

Hillary apparently rejected the scheme, which broke constitutional precedent by trying to use the head of state to enhance political careers, but has refused to comment on the controversy.

Earlier this week, Fitzgerald resurrected the controversy when he said on a television program that he was in the president's home when Lenihan and other members of the Fianna Fail Party made the calls.

Lenihan, who is also defense minister, has denied the whole episode as ''fiction.''

''I did not ring President Hillery,'' he said. ''I want to put my reputation on the line in that respect.''

A government spokesman said Thursday before the tapes were aired that no members of the Fianna Fail had placed any calls to the president.

But later Thursday, Sylvester Barrett, a junior minister, said he had made the calls.

''I rang possibly two times, but definitely not more than three,'' Barrett said. Fitzgerald claims at least eight calls were made.

In the taped interview, however, Lenihan was quite frank about placing calls and actually speaking with the president, saying, ''Oh yeah. I got through to

him. I talked to him, but he wanted us to lay off.''

Lenihan, explaining why he had made the statement, clarified, ''on mature reflection, I was mistaken. It was a rushed interview. It was supposed to be a private interview. I obliged (Duffy) because I wanted to help him with his thesis.''

Opposition leaders have called for Lenihan's withdrawal from the presidential race, but under Irish law, candidates cannot step down.

However, public belief that Lenihan tried to pressure the president could lessen his chances of reaching that office.

The Fianna Fail is six seats short of a parliamentary majority and is in power because it formed a coalition government with the six-member Progressive Democrats Party, which has not said how it will vote on the confidence motion.

The other candidates for president - - are Mary Robinson, an independent supported by the Labor Party, and Austin Currie of the Fine Gael.

It is the first presidential elections in 17 years because Hillery took the seven-year term twice in an uncontested bid.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 26) UPI - Members of a state panel reviewing the status of controversial ''cold fusion'' research at the University of Utah have charged the scientists in charge of the work have failed to cooperate.

Neither E. Stanley Pons nor Martin Fleischmann attended a meeting Thursday of the state Fusion Energy Advisory Council, which is overseeing the state-funded National Cold Fusion Institute.

Pons and Fleischmann startled the scientific world in 1989 when they claimed they had achieved nuclear fusion in a jar at room temperature. If true, the reaction could provide a cheap source of safe energy.

Their claims, however, have been largely disputed by the scientific community, which has been generally unable to duplicate their claims.

The pair's claims prompted the Utah Legislature to appropriate $5 million to establish the institute. Pons and Fleischmann have received more than $1 million of the $2.2 million spent by the institute.

Committee member Karen Morse of the Utah State University said it was time the scientists became more forthcoming.

''They have been funded by the state for a lot of money,'' Morse said. ''The state has committed to them, we have coddled them and been very reasonable.''

After about 90 minutes of discussions Thursday, the council demanded to know why Pons and Fleischmann were not present, why they had refused to cooperate with the panel and where the $2.2 million had gone.

''We've listened for over an hour to some interesting observations that some of you aren't willing to hang your hat on,'' Randy Moon, Gov. Norm Bangerter's science advisor, told Fritz Will, the institute director.

The committee is tired of a lack of cooperation from Pons and Fleischmann, Moon said.

Joe Tesch, the attorney representing Utah in the cold fusion matter, said he spoke with Pons' attorney Wednesday, and was told the two researchers are willing to accommodate the panel when they return to the United States next month. Both were out of the country, with Fleischmann undergoing medical treatment for an undisclosed ailment in England.

Tesch said the pair did not want to expose themselves to the media. Also, he said, they were close to completing a patent application and did not want to talk about it for fear of disclosing confidential information.

''I take issue with that statement (of not standing by their claims), '' Will told Moon. ''I hope I can instill in you the institution is doing a very good job. This is a very ticklish situation. We are all suffering. We should all hang together.''

The committee also criticized Pons and Fleischmann for refusing to share any of their research results with their colleagues at the institute.

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Scientists report a giant galaxy in the heart of a distant clust may be the

largest such object in the known universe. Astronomers say the mammoth group of stars may be six-Million light years in diameter, or 60 times wider than the Milky Way. Researchers using Arizona's Kitt Peak National Observatory say they were able to detect a dim ''halo'' of light around the huge galaxy.

Yale University researchers say an experimental vaccine for Lyme disease shows promise in tests on mice. Richard Flavell led experiments that raise the possibility that doctors may one day innoculate people against the tick-borne disease. But he says more study is needed before researchers can even begin testing a vaccine on humans.

Testimony before a Scottish judicial inquiry indicates that security officers had a tip about a possible extremist action, but directed it toward the wrong plane. The panel is investigating the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103, that killed 270 people. An ex-airport policeman says he was put on alert to clear a Pan Am flight that left seven hours before Flight 103.

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SINGAPORE (OCT. 26) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis has not halted investments in the oil, gas and petrochemical industry of the Asia-Pacific region, representatives of key companies said Friday.

Oilmen planning on participating in the 8th Offshore South East Asia Exhibition, the largest petroleum forum in Asia, said the oil and gas industry has been enjoying an upswing in the region for the past two years, with increased exploration activity and downstream projects coming on-line.

The recent events in the gulf plus higher oil prices following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2 are expected to result in an even greater upsurge of activity in the Pacific Rim, identified as an area of high potential by exhibitors at the four-day conference starting Dec. 4.

Alan Killingsworth, a manager of the FMC Corporation with headquarters in Chicago, said the firm regarded as a market leader in oil wellheads intends to increase its activities in Malaysia, Burma, India and Australia despite the long-term uncertainties caused by the tension in the gulf.

''The gulf situation won't change our direction or commitment to this region in any way,'' Killingsworth said. ''We will continue to promote our involvement in the Pacific Rim and maintain our long-standing relationships with our customers in this region as well as in the Middle East.''

A higher than average number of exhibitors planned to attend the conference - more than 300, including groups from the United States, Britain, Canada, Australia, Norway, Holland, Italy, France and other EC countries.

Higher oil prices have made companies more willing to invest in new technology to conserve their supplies, representatives said.

Anthony Yeo, sales manager of Conocco specializing in the latest technology to separate oil from water in drilling operations, said, ''We find that more companies are approaching us to improve their efficiency in oil production.''

Suppliers to the major oil and petrochemical sectors cited positive gains for the industry in the short term.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 87.30 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 141.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 41.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $210.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $424.00-$459.00; dealer- approx., $428.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $111.83 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 297.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - White House chief of staff John Sununu says he has faith that budget negotiators will complete a five-year deficit-trimming package. But Sununu warned congressionial leaders to avoid ''mischief'' that might sabotage the deal. It includes higher gasoline and excise taxes, plus new tax burdens on wealthy Americans.

Former Japanese Prime Minister Nakasone plans to travel to Baghdad next week to meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and seek the release of Japanese hostages. Nakasone was Japan's leader from 1982 through 1987. News reports say Nakasone decided to go to Iraq in response to the requests of the families of Japanese hostages.

America's chief drug-fighter William Bennett is urging Alaska residents to ''do the right thing'' and ban marijuana. Marijuana has been legal in Alaska since 1975. Voters will decide next month whether to again outlaw the drug. If voters support the measure, possession of marijuana would be punishable by up to 90 days.

Violence is erupting in the New York Daily News labor dispute. Police say strikers attacked a non-union driver and fire-bombed a truck in the second day of a walkout that may determine whether the tabloid survives. Seven of the paper's 10 unions walked out last night. Th workers have been without a pact since March 31st.

A storm with near hurricane-strength winds blasted the North Carolina coast this morning causing flooding and beach erosion. At times winds topped 65 miles an hour. High tides and strong winds also affected the Virginia and Delaware coasts as it moved northeast off the North Carolina shoreline. .

Virginia forecasters report wind gusts reached up to 92 miles an hour at lashed Hampton Roads this morning, downing trees and knocking out power to thousands. There were NO immediate reports of injuries.

A 71-year-old woman is taking Michigan's largest supermarket chain to court over a seven-cent pricing mistake. Evelyn Hoff sued Farmer Jack stores over a claim she was overcharged for a frozen dinner and the store refused to pay a one dollar penalty under Michigan law. Consumer groups are rallying around Hoff, claiming that the law is widely circumvented.

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NORFOLK, VA (OCT. 26) UPI - The Navy decommissioned the battleship USS Iowa Friday, retiring the World War II-era ship that fell to Pentagon budget cuts after an April 1989 gun turret explosion killed 47 crewmen.

''We thank you for those now living or dead, who gave Iowa her life and made her the great symbol of freedom, peace and strength she will always be,'' Cmdr. Joseph Cappar, the command chaplain, said during a shipboard ceremony at Norfolk Naval Station.

Hundreds of former Iowa crewmen, their families and loved ones of those who

died in the explosion gathered on the battleship's wooden deck. The ceremony was held under gray skies as wind and rain whipped the crowd.

Many crewmen who served aboard the ship as far back as World War II said they were saddened the Iowa was being mothballed.

''It's like burying one of your people,'' said Dusty Curtis, 67, of Lansing, Mich., who served aboard the Iowa from 1943-45.

The Iowa is being retired along with the battleship USS New Jersey, based in Long Beach, Calif., which is slated to be taken out of service next February. Retirement of the two vessels will leave the United States with two active Iowa-class battleships, the USS Wisconsin and the USS Missouri.

The Wisconsin, based in Norfolk, is currently deployed in the Persian Gulf region. The Missouri is stationed in San Diego.

The Navy has said the Iowa, which at full strength carried 1,500 sailors, is not being retired due to the April 19, 1989, gun turret explosion that killed 47 sailors.

But the explosion, which remains under investigation, hastened its return to mothballs. The Navy estimated it would have cost about $12 million to repair the gutted No. 2 turret.

The Navy initially concluded the explosion was likely the result of sabotage carried out by Gunner's Mate 2nd Class Clayton Hartwig. But after a series of congressional hearings and additional explosive tests showed the blast may have been accidental, the Navy reopened its probe.

The explosion occurred while the Iowa's crew was firing the battleship's 16-inch guns during military exercises off of Puerto Rico.

The Navy is decommissioning the Iowa for the third time since it was commissioned in 1943. It was most recently brought back into service on April 28, 1984, after undergoing $348.7 million in renovation.

The New Jersey, also recommissioned under the Reagan administration, was returned to service on Dec. 28, 1982, at a cost of $332.7 million.

Critics have argued the ships are strategically outdated and should have remained in mothballs. But Navy officers staunchly defend the old battlewagons and point to the Wisconsin's service in the Persian Gulf as proof they remain a viable force.

The Iowa's keel was laid on June 27, 1940, and it first went out to sea on Feb. 24, 1943. It took President Franklin D. Roosevelt to the Tehran Conference with Winston Churchill and Joseph Stalin and a square white bathtub

installed for Roosevelt remains aboard the ship.

The Iowa sailed in the Pacific during World War II, then was decommissioned on March 24, 1949, going into mothballs in San Francisco. The battleship was recommissioned on April 1, 1951, as the flagship for the 7th Fleet in Korea and was retired again on Feb. 24, 1958.

The Iowa will be towed to the nearby Norfolk Naval Shipyard next week, where it will remain until next year, when it is moved to the inactive ship facility in Philadelphia.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Negotiators are trying to work out the last details of a deficit- reduction plan. A top White House official warned lawmakers to avoid ''mischief'' in finishing up the proposal to cut 500-BILLION dollars from the nation's red ink during the next five years. White House Chief of Staff John Sununu says the Bush administration does NOT want to find any hidden surprises in the plan.

Diplomatic sources say Washington is looking to get Saudi Arabian permission for a military strike against Iraq if it is necessary. The sources say Secretary of State Baker is expected to travel to the kingdom in a decision viewed as a sign to Iraq that the United States is serious in the Persian Gulf standoff. The Bush administration also says it may send 100-thousand additional troops to the region.

Thousands of Virginia homes are without power after winds gusting as strong as 92 miles an hour lashed Hampton Roads this morning. Forecasters say the storm working its way north produced shallow tidal flooding in parts of Norfolk. The winds blew trees down across Virginia Beach, while ripping shingles and siding off buildings.

A two-day walkout at the nation's largest daily tabloid is proving to be an ugly one. New York police say striking Daily News workers attacked a NON-union driver early today in Brooklyn, leaving the driver hospitalized with cuts to his face. A second Daily News truck was firebombed near the Manhattan Bridge. In seperate incidents, a police vehicle was damaged and two officers injured.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - William Bennett faced a somewhat hostile crowd last night in Anchorage, Alaska. A largely pro-marijuana crowd dominated a meeting in which President Bush's drug enforcer campaigned against legal marijuana in the state. But Bennett had the last laugh, speeding off from the gathering in a chauffeur-driven limousine seized from cocaine dealers.

Officials in Maine say a wood stove may have caused a house fire early today in Corinna that killed four people, including three children. Fire authorities say the home was engulfed in flames when firefighters arrived at the scene. Two adults safely escaped the flames with another child... while a family friend and three children aged three, four and seven... were killed.

The trial of indicted thrift king Don Dixon opened in Dallas with federal prosecutors saying Dixon ''set the tone'' at his savings and loan. Prosecutors say Dixon squeezed bank officers and borrowers to pay for prostitutes, politicians and a beach home in California. But defense attorneys say the owner of failed Vernon Savings and Loan did what he had to do to survive.

Minnesota's Independent-Republican candidate for governor says he will stay in the race, despite allegations that he bathed nude with teenagers in 1981. Jon Grunseth made the announcement after closed-door meetings with advisers last night. After the nude bathing allegations surfaced, the state auditor who was beaten by Grunseth in the G-O-P primary last month re-entered the race.

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MIAMI (OCT. 26) UPI - Two alleged members of a Jamaican drug, robbery and murder gang were killed and two were injured in a shootout between the suspects and federal and local police in a sting operation, the FBI said Friday.

No law enforcement agents were injured during the 15-second exchange of gunfire outside a warehouse Thursday night between the four suspected drug dealers and at least 20 members of a joint task force of federal agents and Metro-Dade County police.

One of the suspects died at the warehouse, one died en route to the hospital, and two were in stable condition at a local hospital Friday, said FBI spokesman Paul Miller.

Names of the suspects were not released. The two injured men will be charged with possession of cocaine with intent to distribute, conspiracy and assault on federal officers. More charges could follow, Miller said.

Miller declined to say whether other gang members were being sought, but said the investigation was continuing.

The four men - armed with automatic weapons and posing as police officers - were alleged members of a ''Jamaican Posse'' linked to home invasion robberies drug ripoffs and murders, said William Gavin, FBI special agent-in-charge of Miami.

''These guys have been active throughout Dade County,'' Gavin said. ''We believe they have been involved in a number of murders.''

Undercover agents had told the suspects ''multi-kilos'' of cocaine were stashed in the Dade County warehouse, Miller said.

''They fired indiscriminately and immediately,'' Miller said. ''They were shooting their way into the warehouse. They were prepared to kill anyone who was there, but they were posing as police.''

More than 20 officers hid inside and around the facility as the suspects broke into the warehouse, he said.

''These four individuals arrived heavily armed, posed as police officers, and attempted to grab a federal undercover agent outside the warehouse,'' Miller said. ''The agent (posing as a drug dealer) was able to get into the warehouse.''

The men fired at the warehouse door, broke a window and ''one of them entered the warehouse, grabbed the cocaine and left,'' Miller said.

The FBI agents identified themselves with a bullhorn, told the suspects they were under arrest and ordered them to ''freeze,'' Miller said.

The suspects fired on the officers, and police returned shots. The men were carrying weapons that included an AK-47, a MAC-10 equipped a silencer and various handguns, Miller said.

''We're talking about very dangerous individuals,'' he said. ''They were there posing as police. They were there to steal the drugs. They were there to kill anyone who got in their way.''

The confrontation was the result of a two-month joint investigation by Metro-Dade County police, the FBI and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Action Auto Rental (3rd Q)	
$29,314,000	$26,699,000
d-$2,380,000	$1,364,000 (.13)

d-Deficit.

Advanced Mrktng Serv (2nd Q 9-30)
$40,721,000 $45,527,000
d-$129,000 $639,000 (.11)
d-Deficit.

Amer First Fncl (3rd Q)
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$4,800,000 (.76) $4,800,000 (.79)

American West Air (3rd Q)
$338,666,000 $243,437,000
d-$21,954,000 a-$5,769,000 (.28)
a-After a tax loss carryforward of $2,080,000
and a gain of $2,600,000 resulting from an
agreement with a foreign entity for the use
of certain foreign tax benefits in connection
with the acquisition of an aitcraft.
d-Deficit, after a $1,232,000 reversal of a tax loss carryforward.

Anadarko Petroleum (3rd Q)
$85,400,000 $71,700,000
$6,600,000 (.13) $2,500,000 (.05)

Asarco Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$594,300,000 $522,300,000
$59,400,000 (1.43) $52,700,000 (1.25)

Aydin Corp (3rd Q 9-29)
$35,638,000 $40,573,000
$1,896,000 (.39) $2,604,000 (.51)

Bank of Boston (3rd Q)
....
ad-$254,900,000 d-$125,100,000
ad-Deficit, includes an extraordinary gain of
$19,700,000 from repurchase of debt.
d-Deficit.

Betz Labs (3rd Q 9-30)
$153,439,000 $133,351,483
$17,630,732 (.57) $15,127,650 (.46)

Delta Air Lines (1st Q 9-30)
$2,217,483,000 $2,173,383,000
d-$51,627,000 a-$133,142,000 (2.53)
a-Includes a gain of $3,747,000 (.07) from the
disposition of aircraft parts and a gain of $1,

000 from foreign currency translation.
d-Deficit, after a loss of $76,000 from the disposition of aircraft parts and a gain of $11,000 from foreign currency translation.

Donohue Inc (3rd Q)
$138,900,000 $152,800,000
$5,300,000 (.16) $9,700,000 (.30)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

General Binding (3rd Q)
$74,399,000 $70,298,000
$4,023,000 (.25) $5,793,000 (.36)

Goody Products (3rd Q)
$52,246,000 $53,753,000
$380,000 (.06) d-$992,000
d-Deficit.

Imperial Holly (2nd Q 9-30)
$193,059,000 $186,346,000
$3,449,000 (.35) $3,097,000 (.33)

Ionics Inc (3rd Q)
$30,261,000 $27,315,000
$1,261,000 (.29) $932,000 (.22)

Michael Foods (3rd Q 9-30)
$112,413,000 $65,484,000
$4,481,000 (.40) $3,142,000 (.28)

Minnova Inc (9 Mos 9-30)
$148,465,000 $85,962,000
a-$11,019,000 (.77) $4,426,000 (.31)
a-After a $10,000,000 writedown in the carrying value of the Lac Short Gold Mine.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Murphy Oil (3rd Q 9-30)
$577,516,000 $406,759,000
a-$37,567,000 (1.11) $2,482,000 (.08)
a-Includes gains from asset sales of $39,115,000 (1.15). Net income was reduced by $18,757,000 (.55) from writedown of assets.

Nalco Chemical (3rd Q)
$300,334,000 $269,983,000
$32,687,000 (.86) $32,480,000 (.80)

PanCanadian Petroleum (3rd Q 9-30)
$228,000,000 $184,000,000
$49,500,000 (.40) $33,300,000 (.26)
Canadian rate

Potomac Elec Pwr (3rd Q 9-30)
$509,451,000 $478,347,000
$114,585,000 (1.13) $112,077,000 (1.16)

Quaker State Corp (3rd Q)
$225,070,000 $207,308,000
$4,208,000 (.15) $1,664,000 (.06)

Ruddick Corp (4th Q 9-30)
$358,006,000 $335,043,000
$5,923,000 (.58) $5,943,000 (.61)

Safeguard Scientifics (3rd Q 9-30)
$115,273,000 $95,562,000
a-$7,835,000 (1.53) b-$628,000 (.12)
a-Includes $10,900,000 (2.12) from net security-related gains.
b-Includes similar security gains of $3,100, 000 (.59).

Schwitzer Inc (3rd Q)
$27,111,000 $27,846,000
$840,000 (.12) $589,000 (.08)

Southam Inc (3rd Q)
$421,425,000 $388,739,000
d-$2,778,000 $11,468,000 (.19)
d-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.

Teradyne Inc (3rd Q 9-29)
$116,981,000 $122,326,000
d-$7,922,000 b-$2,772,000 (.10)
a-Includes gain of $1,121,000 from sale of investment.
d-Deficit, after charge of $2,009,000 related to
severance costs from work force reductions.

Unisys Corp (3rd Q)
$1,573,300,000 $1,591,200,000
ad-$356,800,000 d-$648,200,000
ad-Deficit, reflects special pre-tax charge of
$181,000,000 to cover planned reductions in
work force and operational consolidations.
d-Deficit.

West Fraser Timber (3rd Q)
$135,500,000 $147,900,000
d-$1,200,000 $10,500,000 (.67)
d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (OCT. 26) UPI - Egypt is refusing to allow some Sudanese planes to cross its airspace in an escalation of a bitter feud between the two neighboring African countries that has been made worse by the Persian Gulf crisis, it was reported Friday.

The Saudi newspaper Asharq al-Awsat quoted officials from Sudan Air in Khartoum as saying they had received an official memo from Egyptian authorities informing them that Egyptian airspace would be closed to flights from Sudan to Jordan.

Officials in Cairo had no comment on the report and Captain Sheikh el Din Mohammed Abdullah, a deputy director general at the airlines, said the company had no idea why Egypt ordered the ban.

But both Sudan and Jordan have taken a sympathetic stand toward Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in the gulf crisis triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, while Egypt has been an Arab leader in efforts to oust Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Western diplomats in Cairo said Egypt may have decided to hinder the flights because it was concerned a U.N.-imposed economic embargo against Iraq was being broken with shipments through the Jordanian port of Aqaba, but they could not for sure name the motive.

Sudan Air officials said they had been operating two flights a week to Aqaba to pick up Sudanese nationals fleeing Iraq and occupied Kuwait via Jordan. They said 11 more flights between Sudan's capital of Khartoum and Aqaba had been scheduled for November, but it was not clear if they would be canceled or it they would skirt Egyptian territory.

Egypt and Sudan have had deteriorating relations in the past year but the ongoing crisis has escalated the tension between the two Arabic- speaking, Moslem countries, which share a 750-mile border that cuts across the Nile.

Cairo has accused the Sudanese military government of Gen. Omar Hassan el Bashir of harboring Moslem fundamentalists antagonistic toward Egypt, including a blind 40-year-old Egyptian preacher named Sheikh Omar Abdul Rahman whose followers were convicted of assassinating former Egyptian President Anwar Sadat in 1981.

Egyptian newspapers reported earlier this week that the Moslem Brotherhood fundamentalist movement had established three camps in Sudan where Egyptians, Algerians and Yemenis were being trained in terrorist tactics.

The newspapers charged the Sudanese-linked fundamentalists had assisted suspected pro-Iraqi terrorists who gunned down Egyptian Parliament Speaker Rifaat el-Mahgoub in Cairo two weeks ago.

Tension between the two countries was also heightened by reports Iraq had deployed Scud missiles in Sudan that were aimed at Cairo.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak took a tough line toward the unconfirmed reports, vowing Egypt would destroy any such missiles and suggesting that if Iraq could invade Kuwait, he could invade Sudan. Observers said the comments were more of a scare tactic than a real threat.

''It's certainly nowhere near the point where fighting is going to break out, but the situation is definitely becoming more uncomfortable between the two,'' said a Western diplomatic source in Cairo who did not want to be identified.

Still, Cairo and Khartoum maintain diplomatic relations and are both members of the Arab League and other, African groups.

''Sudan and Egypt are just another casualty of the gulf crisis,'' the diplomat said. ''It is indicative of a wider split in the Arab world as a whole.''

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(OCT. 26) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen r	1pm	52	11
Amsterdam cy	1pm	56	13
Ankara pc	3pm	51	10
Athens cy	2pm	65	18
Auckland cy	12m	61	16
Beijing c	8pm	55	13
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	52	11
Bonn pc	1pm	55	13
Brussels r	1pm	53	12
Cairo c	2pm	77	25
Casablanca pc	12n	69	21
Copenhagen c	1pm	53	11

Dakar cy	12n	84	29
Dublin c	1pm	56	14
Geneva cy	1pm	50	10
Helsinki c	2pm	50	10
Hong Kong cy	8pm	73	23
Jerusalem pc	2pm	68	20
Karachi c	5pm	91	33
Lisbon cy	1pm	63	17
London cy	1pm	53	11
Madrid r	1pm	57	14
Malta c	1pm	78	26
Manila c	8pm	85	30
Moscow cy	3pm	38	03
Nairobi r	3pm	70	21
Nassau pc	7am	72	22
New Delhi c	6pm	81	27
Nice r	1pm	54	12
Oslo c	1pm	38	03
Paris cy	1pm	53	12
Pretoria c	2pm	78	26
Riyadh	3pm	94	34
Rome c	1pm	68	20
Seoul c	9pm	53	12
Sofia pc	2pm	50	10
Stockholm pc	1pm	42	06
Sydney c	10pm	61	16
Taipei cy	8pm	67	20
Tokyo c	9pm	63	17
Tunis pc	1pm	77	25
Vienna pc	1pm	46	08
Warsaw c	1pm	51	11

Latin America

Buenos Aires pc	9am	72	22
Caracas cy	8am	67	19
Havana pc	7am	73	23
Lima c	7am	61	16
Mexico City hz	6am	52	11
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	73	23
Santiago cy	8am	49	10

Canada

Calgary c		70	21
Edmonton pc		58	14
Montreal cy		47	08
Ottawa pc		43	06
Regina c		73	22
Toronto c		49	09

Vancouver r	62	16
Winnipeg c	54	12

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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KARACHI, PAKISTAN (OCT. 26) UPI - A U.S.-based organization which observed Pakistan's elections said Friday TV coverage was biased but it had ''no evidence'' to substantiate charges of mass vote rigging leveled by dismissed prime minister Benazir Bhutto.

''It is our opinion that the safeguards in the system would make tampering on on a scale sufficient to affect the overall nationwide result difficult,'' said a statement by the National Democratic Institute.

The Washington-based NDI sent a 40-member international delegation to observe last Wednesday's National Assembly elections.

It said NDI came to the conclusion election workers apparently were ''impartial and effective.''

The statement said, however, the election ''was not without problems.'' It complained of biased news coverage by the state-run television and said corruption charges filed against Bhutto and members of her administration ''complicated the pre-election atmosphere.''

The Islamic Democratic Alliance, a loose army-backed coalition of parties opposed to Bhutto, scored an unexpected and decisive victory over her Pakistan People's Party in the polls.

Bhutto, whose government was dismissed by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan in August on charges of corruption and nepotism, has charged the opposition's win was achieved as a result of ''gross rigging.'' She alleged that ballot boxes had been switched after the votes were cast.

But Bhutto has agreed that her party would still contest Saturday's elections to Pakistan's four provincial assemblies.

''The delegation ... received allegations about tampering with the vote count by switching ballot boxes and by expelling polling agents,'' the American group's statement said. ''Our delegation saw no evidence on election night to support these allegations.''

It said that before the elections the candidates were free to communicate with the voters at rallies and other campaign activities.

''But despite these positive conditions, the election process was not without problems,'' the NDI said. ''The delegation believes that the ongoing tribunal process during the campaign and the selective filing of references before these special courts complicated the pre-election atmosphere.

''In the same way, the caretaker government views of the perquisites of incumbency were controversial and seem to have given advantage to one of the contesting parties.''

When Ishaq Khan sacked Bhutto's 20-month-old government on Aug. 6, he also accused it of failing to control law and order, and dissolved the National Assembly. He appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi to head an interim government until the elections.

The president also set up Special Disqualification Courts to try Bhutto and members of her administration on corruption charges. If found guilty they could be barred from politics for seven years.

Many believe Ishaq Khan's actions were inspired by the army, which has run Pakistan for more than half of its 43-year history and which had been in conflict with Bhutto's democratic government.

NDI's statement said the delegation also ''heard several complaints about bias in the electronic media. The delegation concludes that Pakistan television news coverage of the campaign was not balanced.''

It said it had received ''credible reports of specific and serious problems'' in certain constituencies on election day, including ''attacks by armed men on polling officers, agents and voters and the arrests of party workers.''

But it said ''the elections as we observed them at the local level were generally open, orderly and well-administered. The election personnel appeared to be impartial and effective.''

A 16-member non-governmental delegation from countries belonging to the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation, of which Pakistan is a member, also observed the election process in polling stations in and around the northeastern city of Lahore.

In a brief report, it said polling ''appeared to be free, fair and orderly in

a majority of the polling stations visited.''

But it also complained that the corruption charges filed against Bhutto and members of her administration ''hindered a fair election campaign. Further, the partisan use of the electronic media was not conducive to a free and fair election.''

About 48 million of Pakistan's 110 million people were eligible to vote. Pakistani reporters said turnout appeared lower than in the 1988 elections, when 43 percent of voters cast ballots.

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TORONTO (OCT. 26) UPI - The Toronto Maple Leafs, off to one of their worst starts ever, Friday fired Coach Doug Carpenter.

General Manager Floyd Smith ''relieved'' Carpenter of his coaching duties after a morning meeting. No interim coach was immediately appointed and Floyd indicated it would be several days before a new coach was named.

Assistant coach Tom Watt was expected to run the team's practice session Friday. The Maple Leafs are last in the standings with just three points after 11 games.

Thursday night the team lost its second straight game to the St. Louis Blues 8-5. Wednesday the Blues won 8-3.

Toronto has been outscored 54-28 so far this season.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 26) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev issued a decree Friday increasing the annual interest return on bank savings accounts to as much as 9 percent, representing a jump of as much as 300 percent.

The decree, published in the official government newspaper Izvestia, set investment rates of 5 percent for deposits maintained for 1 to 3 years, 7 percent for 3 to 5 years and 9 percent for money deposited for more than 5 years.

The current maximum return on long-term deposits is 3 percent.

Soviet citizens have an estimated 300 billion rubles ($516 billion at the ''official rate'' set by the government) withdrawn from circulation, much of it not held in banks.

Gorbachev's order, one of a series of presidential decrees and legislative acts in the country's slow transition to a market economy, is partly aimed at drawing the excess rubles into legal channels and away from black-market purchases or speculation.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
USUAL				
Affiliated Public	Q	.06	12-1	11-14
Alexander&Balwin	Q	.22	12-6	11-8
Amcast Industyrial	Q	.12	12-28	12-10
American General	Q	.80	12-1	11-7
Amer Home Prod	Q	.53 3/4	12-1	11-13
Amer Petrofina cl-A	Q	.80	12-14	12-3
Argonaut Group	Q	.40	11-20	11-5
Arrow Financial	Q	.18	11-15	11-7
Bancorp Hawaii	Q	.41	12-14	11-20
Castle (AM)&Co	Q	.17	11-23	11-2
Donnelley (RR)&Sons	Q	.24	12-1	11-9
Engraph Inc	Q	.03	12-21	11-30
Federal Screw Wrks	Q	.10	1-2	12-13
First Brands Corp	Q	.01	1-18	12-28
First Finl Mgmt	S	.05	1-3	12-3
First Western Finl	Q	.09	11-30	11-9
Gleason Corp	Q	.05	11-23	11-9
Gorman-Rupp Co	Q	.25	12-10	11-9
Greater NY Svgs Bk	Q	.12	12-1	11-13
Handy & Harman	Q	.16 1/2	12-1	11-15
Iowa-Ill G&E	Q	.41 3/4	12-1	11-5
Johnston Indus	Q	.12 1/2	11-22	11-8
Kollmorgen Corp	Q	.08	12-4	11-20
Lawter Intl	Q	.13	12-4	11-16
Northern Telecom	Q	.08	12-31	12-7
Oakwood Homes	Q	.02	11-24	11-13
Pfizer Inc	Q	.60	12-20	11-6
Primerica Corp	Q	.10	11-23	11-5
Ragan (Brad) Inc	Q	.03	11-23	11-9
Raychem Corp	Q	.08	12-5	11-7
Rollins Truck Leas	Q	.05	12-15	11-15
Sequa Corp cl-A	Q	.15	12-31	12-14
Sequa Corp cl-B	Q	.12 1/2	12-31	12-14
Society For Svgs	Q	.15	11-30	11-8
Valley Fed SvgBk	A	.50	11-9	10-31
Wisconsin Energy	Q	.44	12-1	11-7

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 26) UPI - Nate Colbert, the career home run leader for the San Diego Padres, was indicted Thursday on eight counts of bank fraud and four counts of making false statements on loan applications.

The U.S. Attorney's office said in a release that Colbert fraudulently obtained $138,000 in loans from a San Diego County bank by listing real estate he did not own among his assets on four loan application and understating the amount of money he owed on other land.

Colbert, 44, played for the Padres from 1969 to 1974. He was the Padres' all-time home run leader with 163. He was fired Thursday as a coach in the team's minor-league system.

The former first baseman was among the first stars the expansion club boasted had when they joined the National League in 1969. He spent four years with the Houston Astros before joining the Padres.

The Padres said his dismissal as hitting instructor with their Class A team in Riverside was part of a front office overhaul and was not related to the indictment.

On August 1, 1972, Colbert set a major-league record when he hit five home runs and drove in 13 runs in a doubleheader in Atlanta.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Bill Hayes said Colbert listed 16 acres of land in Maine that he didn't own as assets on four loan applications at Cuyamaca Bank in Santee, Calif. between Feb. 10, 1988 and December 1989.

''The indictment also alleges that Colbert understated the liability owed on 50 acres of Texas real estate,'' the release said.

Hayes said Friday there were no other suspects in the case and declined to say if Colbert had defaulted on any of the loans.

Colbert faces a maximum of 48 years in prison and $3 million in fines if convicted on all 12 counts. Hayes said a surrender date for Colbert to report for arraignment would be set for sometime early next week.

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NAIROBI, KENYA (OCT. 26) UPI - Heavy fighting was reported in northern Rwanda Friday as the presidents of Rwanda and Uganda continued their efforts to find

a diplomatic solution to the nearly month-old civil war.

''We always expect good things,'' one Rwandan diplomat in Kenya said of the scheduled meeting Friday between President Juvenal Habyarimana and Ugandan leader Yoweri Museveni in neighboring Zaire.

As the leaders met, however, state-run Rwanda radio Friday reported government troops had killed 320 rebels in battles in Gabiro and Mutase, in northern Rwanda.

''The battles are continuing until the last rebel is crushed,'' the radio report said.

The fighting began Oct. 1 when thousands of armed Rwandan rebels, previously exiled in Uganda, stormed across the border into Rwanda determined to overthrow the largely Hutu-tribe government.

Led by trained guerrilla fighter Maj. Gen. Fred Rwigyema, the rebel Rwandese Patriotic Front is made up mainly of Tutsi tribe refugees whose families fled to Uganda during tribal killings in Rwanda.

Extensive shuttle diplomacy between Belgium, Rwanda's former colonial ruler, Rwanda and Uganda, France, Zaire and Kenya, has so far failed to end the conflict.

A cease-fire coordinated between Belgium and Rwanda last Wednesday has also failed. Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens said at the time, however, he did not know if the rebels had been aware of the agreement.

France and Belgium have sent troops to Rwanda to protect their nationals working in the tiny East African nation. On Friday, however, the Belgian Cabinet was to decide whether or not to keep its forces there.

There are some 500,000 Rwandans living in the countries around Rwanda, with an estimated 80,000 in Uganda alone.

Responding to calls to allow these refugees to return home, Habyarimana said earlier this year that Rwanda - the most densely populated nation in Africa - had no room for returning exiles.

Habyarimana's position on the exiles is one of the RPF's main complaints against the Rwandan government, which it has accused of being corrupt and regionalist.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Friday it will

hold the delayed auction of $12 billion in 2-year Treasury notes next Tuesday, providing Congress enacts legislation to raise the debt limit.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 26) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Friday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 26) UPI - Passers-by staged an impromptu protest after a heart attack victim was removed from a grocery store and left outside because employees and the owner thought he was drunk, witnesses said.

The man, identified as 57-year-old James Drumwright, lay on the sidewalk outside the B&M Market in West Baltimore for about 20 minutes Thursday before an ambulance was called. He was pronounced dead later at Liberty Medical Center.

The incident sparked a protest by passers-by who urged shoppers to boycott the grocery. It also worried community leaders that neighborhood residents would see racial overtones in the incident because the store owner is of Korean ancestry and the heart attack victim was black.

''We want a thorough investigation into what occurred here,'' said Leslie

Howard, president of the Alliance of Rosemont Community Organizations. ''This kind of thing can cause tension in the community.''

Store owner Kenny Kang said the incident was an unavoidable mistake, which started when the store's manager, Marcus Gaffney, was told that a man was slumped over the meat case at the back of the store.

Gaffney said he saw a liquor bottle in the man's pocket. When he tried to rouse the man, he left the store on his own, the manager said.

''I feel bad now, but I thought he was drunk,'' Gaffney said.

A witness said it was Kang who told the manager and another employee to drag the man outside.

''If we had any idea he had had a heart attack, we would have called the paramedics,'' Kang said. ''They (the protesters) have a false assumption that they (store employees) dragged him out knowing he had a heart attack.''

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WASHINGTON, IL (OCT. 26) UPI - If there were a ''10 Most Wanted List'' in the town of Washington, an abandoned dog that has roamed through a cornfield would be on it.

The mixed-breed, long-haired dog is being sought by the law and by people who claim they own him. But the dog apparently wants to remain a fugitive.

The dog first showed up in a cornfield near an elementary school three months ago and has been seen there ever since. At least four people claiming to be the owner have called the local newspaper, the Peoria Journal-Star, or local residents to try to get the dog.

Residents are not sure if the animal is male or female, but the four alleged owners have claimed his name is ''Schnapps,'' ''Lady,'' ''Domino'' or ''Digory.''

Thursday, 15 people gathered around the field and brought other dogs and food, hoping that the other animals or the chow would coax the animal to come to them.

All of their efforts failed as the dog continued to roam. Dog owners found five empty food containers with teeth marks on them, evidence that area residents had been taking care of the animal.

One resident, Karen Pierceall, said she thinks the only way the animal will be captured is if he is ''tranquilized.''

Besides people who want to take the dog home and feed him, there have been other area residents who have flocked to the cornfield to tell people to leave the dog alone.

Animal control officer Bob Marshall said all the attention the dog has gotten has made his effort to catch the canine more difficult.

''I know the people have the best intentions, but if they would just quit feeding him, he would go into a trap,'' said Marshall, who has tried to catch the dog for more than a month.

Marshall said he is worried because even though people care about the dog now, they may forget about him in several weeks.

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MADISON HEIGHTS, MI (OCT. 26) UPI - A 71-year-old woman is taking Michigan's largest supermarket chain to court over a 7-cent pricing mistake in a case that is becoming a rallying point for consumer groups.

Evelyn Hoff is suing Farmer Jack, claiming she was overcharged for a Stouffer's Lean Cuisine spaghetti entree and the store refused to pay her a $1 penalty as prescribed by Michigan law.

Consumer groups rallied around Hoff, charging that the law is widely circumvented. Representatives of 15 to 20 consumers groups planned to meet Friday in a ''war council'' to discuss her case and other concerns.

Hoff, who says she checks her receipts regularly before leaving the store, complained to the store manager on Sept. 5, 1989, that she was charged $1.85 for a $1.78 item. The manager gave her a 7-cent refund.

Two days later, after Hoff learned about the state law, she returned to the store, seeking the $1 penalty charge, but the manager refused to grant it.

Under Michigan's item-pricing law, a store can avoid legal action by paying shoppers overcharged by automatic cash-register scanners a refund plus a penalty of 10 times the overcharge. The payment must be at least $1 but not more than $5.

After a flurry of letters to Farmer Jack, the supermarket chain sent Hoff a $25 gift certificate as an apology. But Hoff returned it, deciding instead to fight for the amount she was owned, according to the Michigan Consumers Council and other consumer groups monitoring the case.

Next month, Hoff's case goes before a judge. She is seeking $250 in damages.

Farmer Jack officials said the law is onerous, impossible to fulfill and unevenly enforced. They will seek to have the suit dismissed.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - A number of loose ends apparently still need to be cleaned up but it appears as if Congress is finally ready to approve a budget for a fiscal year that is already almost one month old. Negotiators worked into the wee hours of this morning, and Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas says at least two dozen issues remain unsolved. They include spending cuts and what he calls ''a number of issues on the tax side.'' The White House indicates that President Bush is ready to sign whatever Congress approves, as long as there are NOT any last-minute changes.

Members of Congress haven't passed the budget bill yet but they have already got their bags packed and are ready to get out of Washington as fast as they can. It's NOT on fears of reaction to the budget but because the 101st Congress is almost over. The Senate is looking at a House-approved measure to spend 268-BILLION dollars for defense in fiscal 1991. It includes the largrest single-year cut in defense spending since the Vietnam war ended. The Senate also passed a two- point-one-BILLION-dollar bill that funds Congress for another year.

The military option is still wide open when it comes to getting Sadam Hussein out of Kuwait. And diplmatic sources report that Secretary of State Baker is expected to fly to Saudi Arabia soon to get the kingdom's permission for a military strike. Iraq still holds five-thousand Westerners as human shields against any attack. But it has decided that the 700 Bulgarians in that figure are now free to leave the country if they wish.

Storm winds above hurricane strength blasted into the North Carolina coast this morning, damaging a bridge to the Outer Banks and causing flooding and beach erosion in low-lying areas. Seas were reported running as high as 16 feet, and thousands were reported without power in the storm. The storm reportedly packed wind gusts of up to 92 miles an hour. The winds ripped a barge from its moorings and slammed it into the only bridge link to Hatteras Island, tearing down a 300-foot section. Five-thousand people were isolated.

The Moldavian Parliament declared a two-month state of emergency today in the southern Gagauz region. The region declared its independence from the republic and held secret night-time elections to form its own legislature. The official news agency Tass reported that Moldavian police reinforcements held back angry crowds of majority Moldavians at the border to the break-away region. The state of emergency was declared after negotiations between the republic and the region broke down.

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PARIS (OCT. 26) UPI - Saddam Hussein has sent a message to President Francois Mitterrand saying he is ''ready to discuss'' problems in the Middle East, including Kuwait, a French television network reported Friday.

The network La Cinq said the Iraqi president sent a similar message to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. A spokesman for the network said later the messages were relayed through the French and Soviet embassies in Baghdad ahead of a Franco-Soviet summit scheduled to open Sunday in Paris.

A spokesman for Mitterrand said she had ''no information'' about any such message. ''Maybe one was sent. But we didn't receive one.''

La Cinq quoted Saddam as saying in the message he was ''ready to discuss the problems of the Middle East including Kuwait'' and hoped the two traditional allies of Iraq would work to find solutions to the crisis triggered when Baghdad invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

A foreign ministry spokesman said he was unable to confirm any message was relayed to Mitterrand through the French Embassy in Baghdad.

Since the announced release of all French hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait, French officials this week have been cautiously trying to avoid intimations they were involved in negotations with Baghdad, asserting no talks can be held until all hostages are freed and Iraqi troops are withdrawn from Kuwait.

Several high-ranking French officials, sensitive to suggestions Iraq was trying to use France to break the anti-Iraq coaltion, have insisted French policy is unaltered by the hostage release, which they called ''unilateral.''

According to La Cinq, the Iraqi leader said he ''appreciated the French position'' in the Persian Gulf, which he termed ''different from that of the United States,'' and expressed hope a dialogue could be opened on the situation in Kuwait as well as the problem of a Palestinian homeland.

In all his comments on the subject, Mitterrand has rejected any effort to link the crisis in Kuwait with that of a Palestinian state. But he told the U.N. that once Iraq pulls out of Kuwait and foreign hostages are released ''everything becomes possible.''

French officials have sought to reassure their allies the Iraqi effort to court France does not reflect any yielding. In fact, they maintained France's firmness in refusing to negotiate prompted Saddam to release the French hostages.

More than 300 French nationals, representing all the hostages from France,

were expected to arrive ''before the end of the weekend,'' according to a foreign ministry spokesman who declined to provide a specific timetable.

The spokesman said French officials still had not decided whether to repatriate six diplomats who are staffing the French embassy in Kuwait City, and who are suffering from a lack of food and water.

''It seems they might be able to hold out a little longer,'' the spokesman said.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (OCT. 26) UPI - NATO will continue to exist as ''the decisive cornerstone'' of European security regardless of the fate of the Warsaw Pact, Secretary General Manfred Woerner said Friday.

After meeting at NATO headquarters with Hungarian Defense Minister Lajos Fur, the NATO chief listed the main reasons why the Western alliance should be maintained.

''First there is a political reason,'' Woerner said. ''NATO represents the political cooperation of 16 sovereign democratic nations. If they stick together, they can influence the historical process of transformation toward our vision of a Europe whole and free. So politically it is needed.''

Second, he said, NATO is needed as a transatlantic link - ''the main transatlantic link.''

Woerner also said Europe could not do without the democracies of North America.

He added that ''of course, we need NATO as a defense alliance.''

''The classical threat has gone,'' he noted, but risks to European security still remain, including uncertainties and instabilities in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe and the current crisis in the Gulf.

''So we have to maintain a credible defense at reduced levels after successful disarmament talks in order to make sure that whatever happens the security of our member nations remains untouched,'' Woerner declared.

''These are the reasons why our alliance will continue to exist and will form one if not the decisive cornerstone of a new security structure in Europe.''

On Thursday, the chief of the Soviet military staff, Gen. Mikhail Moiseyev, made a landmark visit to NATO headquarters and called for a ''Europe free of military blocs.''

Moiseyev met with the 16 NATO chiefs of staff, who were assembled to draft the alliance's post-Cold War strategy at a meeting of the NATO Military Committee.

''It was a very lively, open and frank exchange of views,'' said the chairman of the Military Committee, Norwegian Gen. Vigleik Eide.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - The two-week presentencing hearing of former junk-bond king Michael Milken may draw to a close Friday afternoon after prosecutors on Thursday said they would not call any further witnesses.

Milken's attorneys said they would inform U.S. District Court Judge Kimba Wood at Friday's session whether they intended to call any witnesses.

The big wild card is Milken himself. Defense attorneys tried to persuade Wood to grant the former Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. financier immunity from further prosecution in exchange for his testimony, but the judge denied the request, saying: ''It appears to me it's up to Mr. Milken to decide that he wants to testify.''

Milken, who headed Drexel's junk-bond department, pleaded guilty in April to six counts of insider trading. He faces a maximum jail term of 28 years.

In damaging testimony Thursday, the portfolio manager of a Boston mutual fund company accused Milken and another member of the junk-bond department of trading on insider information in connection with the sale of Caesars World Inc. bonds.

The portfolio manager, Prescott Crocker of Colonial Group Inc., said he agreed to swap $1.2 million of Caesars World bonds for another bond issue in July 1983 after James Dahl, then a Drexel junk-bond salesman, offered to buy the Caesars World issue for an above-market price.

But Crocker said he canceled the deal several days later, when he learned that Drexel was underwriting an offer to exchange the bonds for stock in the gaming company. The exchange offer sharply increased the value of the bonds.

''I called Jim (Dahl) and expressed my extreme outrage. I accused him and Drexel of trading on insider information,'' Crocker said.

When he confronted Milken directly about the questionable trade, Crocker said Milken told him that the exchange offer had been handled by another Drexel department. Milken said he knew nothing about it, Crocker added.

The government contends, however, that Milken had met with Caesars World executives two weeks before Drexel purchased the bonds from Crocker's fund and

that Milken had urged the gaming company to make the exchange offer.

After Crocker cancelled the bond swap, he said Milken offered to compensate the money manager for the profit his fund would have made on the deal by selling him other bonds at below-market prices and buying them back at a later date at above-market value.

But Crocker said he declined the offer because he considered the proposal ''irregular and possibly illegal.''

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LONDON (OCT. 26) UPI - Stock prices closed broadly lower in cautious trading Friday across Europe as higher oil prices and worries over the Middle East crisis dampened investor confidence.

Stocks fell in London, Paris, Frankfurt and Zurich, hammered by an array of rumors, surging oil prices and renewed fears of a shooting war in the Middle East.

On the London International Stock Exchange the blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 21.8 points Thursday, fell 25.6 points to 2,063.1. For the week, the key index, which measures the value of Britain's largest 100 companies in terms of market capitalization, posted a loss of 25.9 points.

The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 19.1 points to 1,598.4.

Volume amounted to around 368 million shares compared with 323 million shares changing hands Thursday.

London market watchers said fear that war was more likely to break out this weekend in the Mideast prompted local investors to dump stocks, driving prices lower across the board.

Analysts said news that the U.S was seeking the go ahead from Saudi Arabia for military action against Iraq, and was planning to send an extra 100,000 troops to the Middle East, hammered stocks.

A report in London's Financial Times that Iraqi troops had attached explosives to 300 of Kuwait's oil wells as a precaution against a possible attack also added to the unease in the region.

The increasing fears of a war in the Gulf also sent the price of December Brent crude oil up $3 a barrel to $36 in London, further increasing the squeeze on British company production costs.

Investors, still rattled from the Polly Peck crash and poor results released

by Imperial Chemical Industries Thursday, centered their attention on Brent Walker through most of the day.

Brent Walker Group, a leisure centers company, plunged 51 cents to just 86 cents a share amid speculation the company may be burdened with a similar level of high debt as Polly Peck International and that a planned bond issue may be withdrawn.

Polly Peck went into Britain's high court Thursday to seek an administrator that will allow it to fend off its creditors, the U.S. equivalent of Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

PPI, one of the best performing stocks on the London International Stock Exchange in the last decade, owes banks $1.9 billion.

Meanwhile, Imperial Chemical Industries, considered to be a bellwether of British industry, which fell 30 cents Thursday after reporting its pretax profit for the first nine months fell 27 percent from a year earlier, slipped another 20 cents to $15.48.

Berisford International remained unchanged at 51 cents a share after announcing the sale of its Berisford Leasing Ltd. division for $11 million to help reduce its debt.

Glaxo which achieved British government approval for its asthma drug, added 12 cents to $14.65.

Among some of the day's other highlights, Guinness fell 33 cents to $13.01 amid worries of higher U.S. taxes. BPB Industries slipped 20 cents to $3.11 and British Aerospace lost 30 cents to $10.25.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices closed sharply lower in active trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 3.76 points Thursday, plummented 40.46 points to 1,457.12. For the week the key index, which measures the value of 30 selective blue chip stocks, eased 12.95 points.

Analysts said stocks fell as traders sought to flatten their positions ahead of the weekend amid renewed fears of a Mideast war and higher oil prices.

Meanwhile, in Paris, stocks fell sharply in sluggish trading on the Paris Bourse. The French CAC 40 Index plunged 27.41 points to 1,618.58 and lost 25.58 points for the week.

Analysts in Paris said news that French television had announced that Iraqi President, Saddam Hussein had told French and Soviet leaders that he was ready to discuss Middle East problems was largely ignored.

Investors in Zurich sent prices broadly lower in nervous trading on the Zurich Stock Exchange. The Swiss Market Index plummented 33.1 points to 1,442.0.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - It's goodbye Boston, back home to Stockholm for the Met's many splendored new ''A Masked Ball'' starring Luciano Pavarotti and Aprile Millo.

The Piero Faggioni production, which opened Thursday, returns to the intended Swedish setting of Verdi's great drama of frustrated love at the court of King Gustav III, a liberal who was assassinated in 1792 by aristocratic conspirators.

Because of the sensitivity of Italy's royal censors and the Vatican to the enactment of a king's assassination onstage, Verdi moved the action for his opera's 1859 Rome premier to 18th century Boston, where a British governor could safely substitute for the king.

It was not until 100 years later that the Paris Opera performed ''A Masked Ball'' in a Stockholm setting. The new production at the Met replaces one that was set in Boston and never popular with the public because of its Puritan bleakness and sets that looked like stockades.

Faggioni, who is director and set, costume, and lighting designer, has let himself go in recreating the extravagances of the court of the hedonistic Gustav. The production is a gift from the Annie Laurie Aitken Charitable Trust set up by Sunny von Bulow's late mother, and the money has been well spent.

The throne room of Gustav's palace is a baroque symphony of blue and gold and the study in his chief minister's residence is elegant in its neo-classic simplicity.

The final masked ball scene at the Royal Opera House extends the stage back to its firewall to make room for a grand staircase spilling between two balcony levels under a canopy of crystal chandeliers.

Faggioni has created a scene of swirling color for the ball, contrasting pale pastel chiffons worn by the dancers to the darker velvets and brocades of the nobility's costumes. His most amusing conceit is six revelers costumed as towering topiary evergreens that gently whirl and sway to the music.

The warehouse scene is strangely transformed into an early industrial factory with a blast furnace and moving flywheels, but it is effective. Only the gallows hill scene is disappointing, depicting a fjord-like gorge with stagey looking rock steps that suggest a Wagnerian, not a Verdian production.

Pavarotti is in great singing form as Gustav, who toys with the affections of Amelia, wife of his first minister, Renato. The old fullness of tone is there from top to bottom and vocal production is unfailingly elegant, especially in the first act barcarolle.

If only Pavarotti could seem the least bit interested in Amelia instead of just going through the motions, the production would be magically strengthened.

Millo of the million dollar voice is lovely as the tortured Amelia, passionately in love with Gustav but remaining faithful to Renato even when she knows he is going to kill the king out of jealousy.

Her strong, masterfully colored soprano is a joy and her acting natural and affecting, recalling Regine Crespin in the role. She took the taxing Gallows aria with its near-hysteric climax in her stride and brought down the house.

Harolyn Blackwell couldn't be improved upon in the pants role of Oscar, Gustav's petted pageboy, sprightly in trilling soprano vocalism as well as in action. Juan Pons is stalwart as Renato, his generous baritone an impressive instrument in the great aria, ''Eri tu,'' and Elena Obraztsova makes a believable gypsy crone in the fortune-telling role of Ulrica.

Conductor James Levine brings out the brilliance of one of Verdi's most passionate and purling scores, making this revival a memorable musical experience aside from the singing of one of the finest casts assembled by the Met in recent seasons. The ironic contrast between romantic and tragic elements of the music are completely revealed.

''The Masked Ball'' will be broadcast live on many public television stations across the nation April 10, 1991. It is the first of five new productions at the Met in the current season.

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PESHAWAR, PAKISTAN (OCT. 26) UPI - A strong earthquake that rocked northwestern Pakistan left at least 11 people dead, several hundred injured and damaged or destroyed hundreds of houses, officials said Friday.

The quake struck just before 10 a.m. on Thursday and measured 6.6 on the Richter scale. Its center was about 150 miles north of the western Pakistan city of Peshawar in the Hindu Kush mountains.

Reports from local officials reaching Peshawar Friday said 11 people died and about 300 were injured, most of them from falling masonry. Hundreds of houses, many of them mud-built, were damaged or destroyed, scores of cattle killed, and trees uprooted.

Several of the injuries occurred when a weapons store exploded in the Federally Adminstered Tribal Areas, a semi-independent region of Pakistan.

Officials in Peshawar said they believed the casualty toll may be much higher.They said they had received no information from many remote areas or from neighboring Afghanistan.

The temblor was felt as far east as New Delhi, India. People ran out of their homes in panic in towns and cities across northern Pakistan and northwestern India.

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A PORT IN EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 26) UPI - With shouts and cheers, the PFC James Anderson Jr. was nudged to the dock Friday by two yellow tugs and the men and women of the 24th Transportation Batallion set to work unloading their 100th ship since Operation Desert Shield began.

And when the ramps were down and the gear started coming off, the troops felt a little more at ease. Among other things the Anderson was hauling the 24th's forklifts - with capacities up to 10 tons - from Fort Eustis, Va.

Their arrival allowed the unit to return the Saudi gear they had been using in their stevedoring operation.

The ship, part of the military sealift command, arrived about a week later than the 22 days it typically takes. It had to put into a shipyard for several days and suffered the later embarrassment of running aground near Port Suez. When it arrived, there was about a 20-foot-long scrape at the starboard bow just below what would have been the waterline, rusting away with its exposure to the air. The hull did not appear to have been holed. The Adnerson rode high at the bow and low at the stern, apparently to keep the damaged area as clear of the water as possible.

Lt. Col. James Ebertowski, whose troops were at work lifting plastic- wrapped UH-1 Huey medevac helicopters, tank trucks and forklifts off the decks and out of the holds, said his forces have been working 12-hour shifts to unload about 40,000 pieces of equipment since their unit arrived.

''It's been busy. These guys have really been putting out,'' said Ebertowski, equating the workload to having 10 auto-ships tied up at a commercial port at any one time.

''We're kind of in the peak right now. Hopefully we'll see it decline. The guys are kind of hoping it slows down, and me too, but right now we're at the peak of what we've seen,'' he said.

The unit typically works on about five or six ships a day, but has hit as many as 13, and in a wartime situation could work on as many as 20 at a time. The time it takes to unload varies by ship, ranging from about half a day for a roll on-roll off ship carring trucks, tanks and the like, to the older ships which might take 30 hours.

Some cargos are easier than others, and 50-ton tanks are not the unloading problem they might seem.

''Actually a tank is easy because it's nice and boxy and square. The hardest things are road graders, earth packers and engineer equipment. They've got all kinds of wierd stuff,'' he said.

Many of the ships are now making their second or third visit to the port, particularly the fast sealift vessels that can make better than 30 knots.

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AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (OCT. 26) UPI - Chrysler Corp. Chairman Lee Iacocca parted the veil Friday on the carmaker's $1 billion Technology Center still under construction 30 miles north of Detroit, calling it the ''bedrock and foundation'' of the No. 3 automaker's future when it is completed by 1994.

Iacocca, standing before reporters in an unheated section of the massive 3.3 million-square foot research and development center as construction workers milled about, called the project ''a monument to the end of short-term thinking in this country,'' and chastised those who claim the money might have been better spent on new vehicle projects.

''This is the heart of it all,'' he said. ''How anybody could make that statement... and I know a few Wall Street goofs who have done it... we resent it and it's wrong.''

When completed in 1994, Chrysler's Technology Center will be the focal point of its car and truck development operations, employing about 7,000 workers in purchasing, engineering and manufacturing.

The center, described by Iacocca as an ''invention factory,'' will consolidate a wide array of Chrysler's operations, including a wind tunnel, scientific laboratories and a mini-production line. ''Now we don't have to wander the world anymore to do our testing,'' he said.

Chrysler, however, will not be using its own money to build the massive complex, which it claims is the largest construction project in the country. Last spring it sold bonds through a consortium of banks and arranged a 30-year leaseback agreement.

When asked if Chrysler could eventually make the sprawling center its world headquarters and move out of the Detroit enclave of Highland Park, Iacocca hedged slightly.

''We're going to consolidate probably everthing over time, but for the foreseeable future, our plan is to keep headquarters at Highland Park and move many of the finance company people there,'' he said.

Iacocca also sounded some pessimistic notes about the nation's economy and the auto industry in particular, which he said has been in a recession for 18 months and faces tough times in 1991 and 1992.

In a warning to Japanese carmakers, he said domestic carmakers ''have got to draw a line in the sand and say 30 percent (of the U.S. vehicle market) is it, guys. We're going to try to win some back, but you're not getting any more.''

But like General Motors Corp. and Ford Motor Co., Chrysler has and depends heavily on arrangements with Japanese automakers to supply it with fuel-efficient small cars and some sporty models that are either made in Japan or in joint venture plants with Asian carmakers in North America.

Iacocca also said it was possible for Chrysler to meet proposed tougher emission standards.

''We think we can do it as long as (federal officials) don't slap a 40-mile-a-gallon (corporate average fuel economy) standard on us,'' he said.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 26) UPI - The public battle of blame over a budget not yet agreed to was waged from coast to coast Friday between President Bush, campaigning in California, and the Democrats in Washington.

A budget pact not even in hand yet Friday and the public battle of blame began in earnest between Democrats and President Bush.

Bush, stumping for the gubernatorial bid of Sen. Pete Wilson, R- Calif., in the state's GOP stronghold of Orange County, wasted no time in responding to the latest Democratic jibe issued by Rep. Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., who attacked the president for a lack of leadership in an interview with The Washington Post.

''I think George Bush can be beaten in 1992,'' Gephardt told the Post. ''In the last two months he has shown a real failure of leadership. He needed to explain to the American people why they were being asked to swallow strong medicine, but he didn't do it.''

The unusually harsh denunciation prompted the president to respond with passion at a morning fund-raiser on behalf of Wilson, whose race against Democrat Diane Feinstein has been targeted heavily by the GOP. The event kicked off a four-day drive of politicking, mixed with some diplomacy at a scheduled summit in Honolulu Saturday with Pacific island nations.

While continuing his near daily drive to win more Republican seats in the Democratic-controlled Congress, Bush shot back at Gephardt: ''Well, let me try once more. For 36 years his party - the Democratic Party - had control of the House of Representatives and year after year after year they have presided over these budget deficits. They appropriate every dime and they tell me how to spend every dime.

''And, yes, I have compromised ... but the president must at certain times put the overall good of the country first,'' said Bush, thumping the podium, ''and the American people known - all too well - that strong medicine, I refer back to that quote, is required because the Democratic-controlled Congress simply has been on an uncontrolled spending binge for years.''

Pressing a drive to put the budget mess behind him, Bush found instead intensified partisanship that is certain to affect the elections Nov. 6, as legislators up for re-election run for cover from the budget roller-coaster of the past eight months. Postponing his campaign swing by a day to be on hand in Washington Thursday, Bush had hoped to take the offensive and to minimize his own string of flip flops and loss of popularity during the months of negotiations to win a budget pact to trim federal spending by $500 billion over the next five years.

Forced instead to resort to finger-pointing of his own, Bush promised repeated appeals to the American people and a fight to the finish over who really is to blame for the spending package.

''The agreement we get won't be the best deal possible,'' he told the crowd, ''but in my judgment it is the best deal possible with this Congress.''

Bush also signed on for the first time to the idea to limit terms of incumbent congressmen, a message spearheaded in recent weeks by Vice President Dan Quayle. Noting that he was not ''just jumping on the bandwagon'' and that the Republican Party platform long has endorsed such a measure - as has Wilson in California in recent weeks - Bush said, ''I say it's an idea whose time has come.''

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Advest Group (4th Q 9-30)	
$54,312,000	$55,115,000
d-$4,560,000	$1,922,000 (.19)
d-Deficit.	
American Colloid (3rd Q)	
$32,933,000	$30,364,000
$581,000 (.11)	$1,275,000 (.24)
Andover Bancorp (3rd Q)	
....	....
d-$3,150,000	$1,660,000 (.38)

d-Deficit, after expenses of abandoned merger of $1,298,000. Also after losses on real estate operations of $2,091,000.

Applied Bioscience (3rd Q)	
$25,324,000	$19,438,000
d-$455,000	$1,041,000 (.21)

d-Deficit, after a non-recurring merger expense of $3,212,000.,

Applied Biosystems (1st Q 9-28)	
$36,812,000	$36,787,000
d-$5,895,000	$2,308,000 (.16)
d-Deficit.	
Bay View Capital (3rd Q)	
....	....
$4,995,000 (.74)	$3,966,000 (.65)
C-Tec Corp (3rd Q)	
$52,210,000	$41,079,000
d-$2,422,000	$1,807,000 (.11)
d-Deficit.	
Cascade Natural Gas (4th Q 9-30)	
$26,158,000	$30,000,000
d-$1,178,000	d-$302,000
d-Deficit.	
Chevron Corp (3rd Q)	
$10,600,000,000	$8,000,000,000
a-$403,000,000 (1.14)	b-$417,000,000 (1.22)

a-Includes special credit of $80,000,000. Also includes foreign exchange gain of $20,000, 000.

b-Includes $7,000,000 special credit. also includes foreign exchange gain of

$14,000, 000.

Cummins Engine (3rd Q)
$829,800,000 $807,300,000
ad-$55,800,000 d-$39,700,000
ad-Deficit, includes addition of $18,200,000 to accrual for extended product coverage programs.

Dime Savings Bank (3rd Q)
....
d-$148,067,000 $2,050,000 (.09)
d-Deficit.

EMC Insurance Group (3rd Q)
....
$2,838,000 (.28) $1,881,000 (.20)

Fleer Corp (3rd Q)
$38,415,000 $20,668,000
$5,575,000 (.59) a-$162,000 (.02)
a-After pre-tax charge of $1,800,000 which reduced per-share results by (.14).

Great Lakes Group (9 Mod 9-30)
....
$82,200,000 (1.62) $77,600,000 (1.53)
Amounts in Canadian dollars,

Gulf States Utils (3rd Q)
$488,186,000 $466,816,000
$60,490,000 (.41) d-$16,625,000
d-Deficit, after an extraordinary charge of $37,041,000 from an accounting adjustment.

Hathaway Corp (1st Q)
$11,333,000 $11,701,000
a-$900,000 (.21) d-$246,000
a-Income from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

Intermet Corp (3rd Q)
$94,189,000 $85,536,000
$203,000 (.01) $422,000 (.02)

Intrex Fncl Serv (3rd Q)
....
d-$2,464,000) d-$3,335,000
d-Deficit.

Lawter Intl (3rd Q)
$36,602,000 $32,612,000
$5,825,000 (.24) $4,832,000 (.20)

Lynch Corp (3rd Q)
a-$26,742,000 $21,919,000
$83,000 (.06) $437,000 (.34)
a-Includes the results of Western New Mexico Telephone Co., acquired in October 1989.

Mesa L P (3rd Q)
$68,416,000 $89,797,000
d-$4,158,000 d-$21,537,000
d-Deficit.

Metropolitan Fedl S&L (1st Q 9-30)
....
d-$12,987,000 $101,000 (.03)
d-Deficit.

Montana Power Co (3rd Q)
$173,987,000 $168,325,000
$7,575,000 (.13) $7,725,000 (.14)

New England Business (1st Q 9-28)
$57,089,000 $55,524,000
$4,717,000 (.29) $5,244,000 (.31)

Noranda Inc (3rd Q)
$2,235,000,000 $2,163,000,000
$18,000,000 (.01) $101,000,000 (.49)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

North Fork Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
$2,121,000 (.24) $5,096,000 (.55)

Ocean Drilling & Explr (3rd Q)
$82,370,000 $55,015,000
a-$18,470,000 (.36) d-$513,000
a-Income from continuing operations, includes gain of $20,556,000 (.40) on the sale of an interest in an oil and gas field.
d-Deficit.

Sunrise Medical (1st Q 9-28)
$48,093,000 $39,245,000
$1,700,000 (.36) $860,000 (.19)

Teppco Partners (3rd Q)
$40,500,000 $37,600,000
$6,300,000 (.43) d-$500,000
d-Deficit.

Trenwick Group (3rd Q)
$31,685,000 $27,112,000
$4,379,000 (.65) $4,152,000 (.55)

Willcox & Gibbs (3rd Q)
$145,168,000 $135,975,000
$3,395,000 (.25) $4,123,000 (.30)

Williams Cos (3rd Q)
$348,900,000 $325,500,000
d-$15,300,000 $5,000,000 (.06)
d-Deficit.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry was sentenced today to six months in jail and fined five-thousand dollars for cocaine possession. U-S District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson also placed Barry on one-year probation after his release from prison on the misdemeanor charge... and ordered him to undergo periodic drug testing.

Three former Northwest Airlines pilots face sentencing today in Minneapolis for flying a jetliner while under the influence of alcohol. Their attorneys say the crew members likely will spend several months in federal prison. The pilots allegedly split seven pitchers of beer and 14 mixed drinks at a bar the night before they flew a plane with 91 people aboard from Fargo, North Dakota, to Minneapolis.

The United States is sending rather blunt signals to Iraq in case Saddam Hussein misses the message to get out of Kuwait. Yesterday, Defense Secretary Cheney said 100-thousand more U-S troops may be sent over. Today, Secretary of State Baker is reported ready to ask Saudia Arabia to approve a military strike.

Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas warns there still is much to do to get a budget through Congress today. He reports that the process is ''creeping'' along with a number of key issues NOT yet settled. And Dole warns that the final agreement may fall short of its 500-BILLION-dollar savings goal.

Seven of 10 labor unions at the New York Daily News are on strike against the nation's largest daily tabloid. Workers have been without a contract since

March 31st, and the walkout is getting nasty. Two delivery trucks have been firebombed, and strikers attacked a NON-union driver today.

Travel in Hungary has been crippled by a strike of taxi drivers mad over a 70 percent jump in gasoline prices. They blocked main roads to Budapest and a number of other Hungarian towns in what began as a spontaneous demonstration and then spread nation-wide.

The Navy has de-commissioned the battleship Iowa for the third time since it first went to sea in 1943. It most recently went back into service in 1984 after a 348-point-seven-Million-dollar renovation. The battlewagon, one of four remaining, heads to the inactive ship facility in Philadelphia next year.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - The cost of the government's efforts to sell assets of failed thrifts could increase as much as $400 million should funding be delayed because of the budget impasse, the Congressional Budget Office said Friday.

The estimate came one day after the Oversight Board of the Resolution Trust Corp. approved an operating plan for the first six months of fiscal 1991 that calls for the sale or liquidation of 192 insolvent thrifts by the end of March.

The plan, though, depends on funding by Congress, which has been locked in a stalemate over the proposed 1991 federal budget. The CBO said inadequate funding could delay the sales or liquidations of failed thrifts taken over by the government.

"We expect that if the RTC experienced a three-month delay at this time, the federal government would have to spend, on a present value basis, an additional $300 million to $400 million to pay for insurance losses in failed thrfits," wrote CBO Director Robert Reischauer in a letter to Sen. Donald Riegle, D-Mich.

Riegle, who serves as chairman of the Senate Banking Committee, also received a written plea for additional funding from RTC Chairman L. William Seidman. "Without additional funds, the resolution process will grind to a virtual halt " Seidman said Thursday in a letter to Riegle.

Seidman said a two-quarter delay in the resolution process could cost the government as much as $950 million. "We urge you to provide RTC funding before the adjournment of the 101st Congress so that we can continue to operate," Seidman wrote.

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WARSAW, POLAND (OCT. 26) UPI - Solidarity founder Lech Walesa and Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki will compete against four other candidates when they run in Poland's first free presidential elections in the post- World War II era, officials said Friday.

Two candidates who filed their paperwork with the State Election Commission just before the deadline at midnight Thursday met the minimum requirement of 100,000 signatures, said commission official Jan Piasko.

Four candidates previously were registered, including the two main rivals for the presidency, Walesa and his longtime close adviser Mazowiecki.

Early presidential elections were called for Nov. 25 after Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, a former communist and author of martial law imposed in Poland in 1981, yielded to pressure and agreed to step down one year into his five-year term. Jaruzelski, the first Polish president since World War II, was appointed by the National Assembly in November 1989.

The presidential election will be the first time since the war that Poland will hold a free and general vote for that post.

On June 4, 1989, a partly free election allowed Poles to vote for members of the Sejm, or lower house of parliament. However, 65 percent of the seats were reserved for communists as a result of a roundtable agreement.

The parliamentary election came after pressure from Solidarity and a catastrophic economy forced the communist-run government agree to power-sharing, becoming the first East Bloc communist regime forced to compromise under popular pressure.

The parliament in August 1989 named Mazowiecki prime minister.

The presidential candidates registered Thursday were Leszek Moczulski, the 60-year-old leader of extreme right-wing Confederation for Independent Poland KPN, and Stanislaw Tyminski, a 42-year-old millionaire expatriate who also is a citizen of Canada and Peru.

Tyminski, who emigrated 20 years ago, is a lawyer and businessman living in Canada where he is a leader of the Libertarian Party. Moczulski is a historian lawyer and journalist. As a dissident in the late 1970s, he founded the KPN in 1979 for Poland to regain its independence from Moscow.

Two candidates confirmed earlier were Wlodzimierz Cimoszewicz, fielded by Polands leftist forces, who was a member of the Communist Party until it was disbanded in January, and Roman Bartoszcze, leader of Polish Peasant Party, which formerly was aligned with the Communist Party.

One would-be candidate did not meet the signature requirement Thursday night. Piasko said Kornel Morawiecki, leader of radical anti- communist Freedom Party was disqualified with just 79,400 signatures.

Altogether 14 people were making bids to become candidates to succeed Jaruzelski.

Janusz Bryczkowski of the Polish Green Party, Boleslaw Tejkowski of the National Democracy and Gabriel Janowski of the Solidarity Farmers' Union withdrew, and the other four failed to gathered enough popular backing.

The two big losers were Janusz Korwin-Mikke of the conservative Union for Real Politics and Wladyslaw Sila-Nowicki of the Labor Party, who were close to meeting the 100,000 signature requirement.

Korwin-Mikke said his group, which claims membership of about 2,000, will support Walesa against any leftist candidate, alleging Mazowiecki was a leftist candidate, along with Cimoszewicz.

''We hope that the next government will break the monopoly of the left,'' Korwin-Mikke said in a statement.

The election commission has said each candidate will receive 15 hours of free time on two national television programs and 30 hours on four national radio programs. In the case of a televised debate in which all candidates take part, no time will be deducted from the total assigned to each candidate.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - Activists waging a campaign to make those who gained as a result of the savings and loan crisis pay for the multi-billion dollar bailout, said Friday just 13 of the 50 House Banking Committee members had voting records defending taxpayers on S&L-related issues. But, 17 committee members have earned enrollment in "The Sleazy 17" for what the activists call their strong anti-taxpayer and pro-S&L biases.

The scorecard, issued by the Financial Democracy Campaign, a coalition of labor, religious, civil rights, community, and rural reform groups, is "a timely reminder to all members of Congress of citizen outrage at the cost of the S&l bailout," said Maud Hurd, a co-chair of the campaign and national president of the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN).

"As members of both Houses continue to wrangle about the president's latest request for more bailout money, the scorecard offers citizens a yardstick to assess whether banking committee members have voted for the interest of taxpayers or with the financial industries."

The scorecard examines ten votes by banking committee members from the first session of the 101st Congress, when legislators took up President Bush's S&L bailout legislation, the Financial Institutions, Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act.

The legislation was an effort by Congress to come to terms with the growing knowledge of the extent of the crisis - by some estimates a scandal that will cost taxpayers some $1 trillion to pay for - by re-regulating the industry.

"Each of the votes represented a clear choice for Banking Committee members," said Tom Schlesinger, director of the Southern Finance Project. "They either aligned themselves with taxpayers or with the S&L industry and the financial industry in general."

The votes cover a broad range of amendments offerred in committee to rollback deregulation, increase the capital standards for savings and loans, improve banking laws aimed at ending the practice of redlining, initiate new affordable housing activities in the industry and expand consumer participation in the industry.

Just four members received 100 percent votes - Chairman Henry Gonzalez, D-Texas, and Reps. Marcy Kaptur, D-Ohio; Bruce Morrison, D-Conn.; and Richard Neal, D-Mass.

Nine others had good enough votes, 80 percent or above, to be considered the "Thrifty 13" - Reps. Joseph Kennedy, D-Mass.; Gerald Kleczka, D-Wis.; Mary Rose Oakar, D-Ohio; Charles Schumer, D-N.Y.; Bruce Vento, D-Minn.; Peter Hoagland, D-Neb.; Richard Lehman, D-Calif.; Kweisi Mfume, D-N.Y.; and Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif.

The "sleazy 17" included three members who received zeros - Reps. Richard Baker, R-La.; Al McCandless, R-Calif.; and Norm Shumway, R-Calif. - and 14 who received scores under 25 percent, including Reps. Doug Barnard, D-Ga.; Steve Bartlett, R-Texas; Jim Bunning, R-Ky.; David Dreier, R-Calif.; John Hiler, R-Ind.; Bill McCollum, R-Fla.; Thomas Ridge, R-Pa.; Patricia Saiki, R-Hawaii; Bill Paxon, R-N.Y.; Frank Annunzio, D-Ill.; Elizabeth Patterson, D-S.C.; Stan Parris, R-Va.; Cliff Stearns, R-Fla.; and Stephen Neal, D-N.C.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Companies defaulted on more rated public debt in the first nine months of 1990 than in any previous full year, Standard & Poor's Corp. said Friday.

As of Oct. 24, $11.1 billion of public debt - debt issued by a company in the public markets as opposed to private placements - was added to debt already in default from previous years, the credit rating agency said. This exceeds the

$9 billion of defaulted debt for all of 1987, which included the default of Texaco Inc. on about $7 billion of debt.

The total amount of rated debt in default is almost $16 billion, S&P's said, and most of the companies have been in default less than three years. The increase in the amount of public debt in default reflects an increase in the number of companies in that situation, which has risen from four in 1980 to 42 this year, said S&P's.

In the tough economic climate, increasingly large companies are defaulting on public debt, S&P's said, whereas the trend previously mostly affected small firms. Larger companies also sometimes file for bankruptcy, the credit rating agency indicated.

Recent examples include Federated Department Stores Inc. of Cincinnati, Farley Inc. of Chicago, and Southland Corp. of Dallas. But the majority of firms with rated debt that have filed for bankruptcy will not be liquidated, and will emerge as going concerns, although usually somewhat smaller, S&P's said.

The company added that the reasons for default have generally changed since the early 1980s, when defaulting companies were usually those that had once been strong, but whose credit quality had gradually deteriorated.

Now, defaults are more common among companies with viable operations, but which simply took on too much debt during the 1980s to finance acquisitions, buyouts or recapitalizations.

S&P's said it anticipates the number of companies defaulting on public debt will grow. "Even under favorable economic conditions, the number of defaulted bonds will continue to increase as more companies that underwent leveraged buyouts and recapitalizations encounter problems," the company said.

The number of defaulted bonds could also increase in the event of a severe recession or an interest rate spike. And leveraged companies may be unable to secure financing through the public bond market in the current environment.

In addition, private funding is less available because commercial banks and other institutions have adopted increasingly cautious lending policies. "S&P's believes that the inability to meet routine refinancing needs may trigger defaults for some companies in the years ahead," the company said. "Even though some firms will be emerging from bankruptcy, the number of additions will probably exceed subtractions in the years to come," S&P said.

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PARIS (OCT. 26) UPI - Authorities confirmed Friday that a body found in a suburban forest was that of missing renegade homosexual pastor Joseph Douce,

and charges mounted over the conduct of a secretive police intelligence unit that had been investigating the former clergyman.

The state prosecutor in Versailles, Roger Tacheau, said dental records were used in the examination, which showed the man died on or about July 20, the day after Douce disappeared from his Paris apartment.

''It is definitively the body of Joseph Douce,'' Tacheau said.

Meanwhile, Interior Minister Pierre Joxe distanced himself Friday from what he called ''morally damnable'' tactics allegedly used by Renseignments Generaux, the police intelligence unit that had Douce under suveillance at the time of his disappearance.

It is a specialized unit in charge of internal security and anti- terrorist investigations. It came under increasing fire this week for its role in the Douce case and a 1987 burglary at the headquarters of SOS Racisme, a civil rights action group.

An inspector considered a prime suspect in the death of Douce has charged that he is being used as a scapegoat to cover up the units attempt to use homosexual prostitutes to embarrass top government and business leaders.

Joxe said he was ''disgusted'' by methods allegedly used by the police unit.

''I will never order (policemen) to use methods of thugs to obtain documents of civil rights organizations,'' Joxe said. ''The police can function on a legal basis without using procedures that are morally damnable.''

Interior ministry officials have acknowledged that documents from SOS-Racisme were found in the files of Renseignements Generaux, further implicating police in questionable tactics.

Opposition leaders in the National Assembly have requested a parliamentary inquiry into the methods of Renseignments Generaux. The Socialist majority has blocked the request.

Witnesses said Douce was last seen the evening of July 19 leaving his apartment with two men carrying police badges who asked the pastor to follow them.

The inspector under suspicion, Jean-Marc Dufourg, had been assigned to surveillance of Douce. An investigation by a police internal affairs unit, however, has failed to turn up any concrete information about what happened to the pastor.

Dufourg, in a series of interviews with the daily Le Figaro, maintained that he was involved in a project by Renseignements Generaux to use homosexual

prostitutes to seek to compromise former Justice Minister Pierre Arpaillange and Philippe Guilhaume, head of the state- run Antenne 2 television network.

''I received the order to recruit a young homosexual to seduce the two persons ... my superiors were aware of this,'' Dufourg told the Le Figaro newspaper. ''The plan was never put into effect, because we did not get the green light.''

Douce's body was discovered by a mushroom gatherer Oct. 18 in the Rambouillet Forest west of Paris. He had been defrocked by French Baptist and Protestant authorities because of his militant defense of homosexuals and other ''sexual minorities.''

The police unit reportedly began watching Douce as part of an investigation into alleged paedophilia.

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DALLAS (OCT. 26) UPI - Former Dallas thrift executive Jarrett Woods, indicted on criminal charges of bank fraud in the $1 billion collapse of Western Savings Association, appeared before a federal magistrate Friday for arraignment and was released in his own recognizance. The prosecution did not object to the request from Woods' attorney that he be freed on a personal recognizance bond until a hearing Nov. 1.

U.S. Magistrate Jane Jackson ordered Woods to surrender his passport. She cautioned him not leave the United States but said he was permitted to travel freely within the continental U.S.

Woods was named Thursday in a 37-count criminal indictment, accusing him of diverting millions of dollars of depositors' money in an attempt to conceal bad loans Western made to real estate developers.

The indictment charges Woods with conspiracy to defraud government regulators, misapplication of Western's funds, bank fraud, making false entries in Western's books, illegally participating in a Western transaction himself and unlawfully receiving funds.

"The indictment of Jarrett Woods means that we have corraled one of the biggest savings and loan bandits in Texas," Attorney General Dick Thornburgh said in announcing the indictment.

"The free-wheeling lifestyle and fraudulent management practices that led to Western's collapse really helped to set the trend for this national thrift crisis that we are dealing with," he said. If convicted on all charges, Woods faces a prison term of up to 185 years and fines ranging from $8.2 million to up twice the amount of the loss.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell indicated Friday Democrats will continue to demand higher taxes in future years on wealthy Americans, saying "there has been too much soaking of the middle class" over the past decade.

Mitchell said the issue of raising the taxes of the rich will come as part of the evolving debate over spending and revenues in coming years, not standing by itself.

He said the tax provisions in the budget package, which create a new top tax rate for the wealthiest taxpayers who would also lose some exemptions and some deductions, represented "modest progressivity" in evening-out the tax burden.

Talking to a group of reporters, Mitchell said, "Obviously, passing a budget this year doesn't mean the end of dealing with the budget and doesn't mean the end of dealing with revenues and expenditures."

"I don't think we should view this as some ending of the debate," Mitchell said. "It's going to continue and that (higher taxes on the rich) will be part of it."

Mitchell said that in the budget agreement, "What we've done really is simply just stop a trend tht developed in the past decade and to begin to reverse it.

"The reality is that between 1977 and 1990, the after-tax income of most Americans declined and the overall tax burden increased," Mitchell said. "The only ones in respect to that that is not true are those at the very top. Their after-tax income increased and their tax burden declined."

He said this produced "a most unfair .... socially unhealthy situation in that the tax burden is increasingly focused on the middle class" and largely exempts and benefits those at the very top of the income scale.

Mitchell said Republicans charged Democrats with a campaign of "soak the rich ... I say their policy is soak the middle class. We've already had too much of soaking the middle class in this country during the past decade. And that is the group that feels unrepresented, alienated, and, looking at it subjectively they have some reason to feel that way."

The Senate Democratic leader said the protracted budget debate "has really allowed us to bring into focus the sharp differences between the two parties with respect to that issue."

"The one thing the president did win on is that there will not be a surtax on those with incomes of a million dollars," Mitchell said of the provision that

Democrats were forced to abandon at White House insistence.

Mitchell said he expected some member of Congress to propose the surtax next year but added, "I imagine the president's opposition to such an increase will continue."

Asked if he were concerned Republicans will go on the campaign trail charging Democrats with raising taxes, Mitchell said, "They can say anything they want to. We'll tell them the truth."

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MORRIS TOWNSHIP, NJ (OCT. 26) UPI - Industrial conglomerate Allied-Signal Inc., citing competition and higher oil prices, reported Friday third- quarter earnings of $105 million, or 76 cents a share, down from $121 million, or 81 cents a share in the same period last year.

Revenues for the quarter were $3 billion, up from to $2.8 billion in the year-ago period.

Allied-Signal stock was up 25 cents to $25.50 a share in early afternoon trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

Analyst Howard Rubel of C.J. Lawrence Inc. in New York said the earnings were in line with Wall Street's expectations.

''In general, aerospace was strong, automotive was weak and engineered materials was soft,'' Rubel said.

Rubel said he expects ''decent'' earnings in the fourth quarter, which will give Allied-Signal a flat-to-moderate performance for the entire year.

Chairman Edward Hennessy said net earnings were hurt ''by intense price competition'' and higher petroleum prices.

Each of our three core businesses attained slightly higher sales, although we are starting to feel the effects of recessionary conditions both here and overseas,'' Hennessy said. ''We are managing all our costs ''

In the third quarter, Allied-Signal's aerospace division reported a rise in profits, to $58 million from $55 million, and in revenues to $1.4 bilion from $1.2 billion.

The company said improvements in sales and profits for both avionics equipment and engines were partially reduced by continued increases in development spending for new engines, higher engineering costs and lower margins in the

auxiliary power business.

The automotive business turned out smaller profits on higher revenues in the third quarter. Profits were $3 million on revenues of $961 million, versus $11 million on revenues of $873 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Engineered materials' earnings for the quarter was $54 million, down from $66 million in 1989. Sales were $637 million up from $612 million in the same period of 1989.

For the first nine months of the year, Allied-Signal reported earnings of $355 million, or $2.54 a share, down from $413 million, or $2.77 a share in the comparable period of 1989.

Revenues for the period were $9.2 billion, up from $8.9 billion in the first nine months of 1989.

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ROME (OCT. 26) UPI - Leaders of the 12-nation European Community meet this weekend to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis, a common European currency and financial aid to the countries of Eastern Europe.

The ''emergency'' summit was initially called to provide financial aid of up to $20 billion to the Soviet Union, but EC officials have since determined the money would be wasted at this point due to chaos in the Soviet economy.

A far less ambitious program to provide food and medicine to the Soviets this winter may, however, be approved.

The summit focus has shifted instead to financial aid for other Eastern European countries hurt by the gulf crisis. Hungary, Bulgaria and other nations are suffering from both higher oil prices and the need to pay with hard currency due to collapse of the Comecon trading group.

The EC is considering establishment of a $8 billion stabilization fund to help those countries with balance-of-payment problems.

The two-day summit begins on Saturday.

Italy, which holds the rotating EC presidency, is anxious for the summit to reaffirm Europe's strong commitment to the U.S.-led sanctions against Iraq. The summit marks the first meeting of EC heads of state since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein should realize that ''holding hostages to avoid bombardment only increases western public opinion's hostility to him,'' said

Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti.

Italy also wants the summit to endorse a date, Jan. 1, 1994, as the beginning of Stage 2 of EC Economic and Monetary Union, leading to a common European currency.

Britain, which only this month joined the 11-year-old European exchange-rate mechanism, is not keen on rapid movement toward monetary union.

''We still haven't defined Stage 2 adequately, so how can we set a date for it at this point?'' says a British diplomat in Brussels.

A special EC constitutional convention on monetary union begins Dec. 14 in Rome, and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher says all important decisions should be delayed until then.

Jacques Delors, the powerful president of the EC executive Commission, seeks to avoid a weekend showdown with Thatcher over the monetary issue, so he also said the matter can wait until December.

Only Britain opposes the 1994 date, which was offered by Spain as a compromise and accepted by German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and other EC leaders. Many EC officials initially backed a 1993 starting date for Stage 2, which will include creation of a central European bank called the ''Eurofed.''

Britain views a common currency as a threat to its sovereignty, and has instead proposed a 13th currency, backed by a new European Monetery Fund, that would compete alongside the 12 national EC currencies.

A nagging issue, world trade talks, could supplant the gulf and monetary union as the summit's centerpiece.

EC governments have failed miserably in several recent meetings to agree on a plan to cut farm subsidies in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Agriculture and trade ministers of the 12 member states met again in Luxembourg on Friday, hoping to finally adopt an EC position on GATT.

The 105-nation GATT talks conclude in just six weeks, and many officials say the EC's disarray over farm supports threatens four years of negotiations. The United States is pressing hard for substantial cuts in agricultural subsidies.

Delors said it would be ''disastrous'' for the summit to decide the GATT issue because meetings of EC leaders would then become devalued into ''appeals bodies'' for every vexing problem.

''I think it would be disastrous not to have GATT on the summit agenda,'' countered a top British diplomat.

''It would be disastrous for the Community's image,'' he said, for such an important matter not to be discussed by the heads of state. ''It would look very weird.''

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COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 26) UPI - The Ohio Supreme Court Friday reinstated the conviction of former Cincinnati financier Marvin Warner in the 1985 Ohio savings and loan scandal, but trimmed almost in half the restitution he must make to the state.

In a unanimous opinion, the high court reinstated Warner's conviction on six counts of unauthorized acts in connection with wire transfers, and three counts of securities violations.

Also reinstated were the convictions of David Schiebel, former president of Warner's Home State Savings Bank, on three counts of securities violations. The convictions, obtained two years after the collapse of Home State - which triggered a run on state-chartered, privately insured thrifts - were overturned in 1989 by the Hamilton County Court of Appeals.

Warner, who now lives in Ocala, Fla., was sentenced to 3 1/2 years in prison and ordered to pay $22 million in restitution and $250,000 in court costs. The $22 million figure was cut to $12.2 million by the Supreme Court, with the remainder still subject to discussion in lower court. Schiebel was sentenced to six months in prison and five years probation, and ordered to pay $25,000 in costs.

Home State lost $144 million in investments in ESM Government Securities of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., which went bankrupt. Following Home State's collapse, Gov. Richard Celeste closed 69 other Ohio S&Ls. Some were sold or consolidated but nearly all reopened within three months.

No depositors lost money. The state has spent at least $5.7 million investigating and prosecuting Warner, Schiebel and other Home State officials, but has recovered $134 million, compared with the $129 million invested in reopening the thrifts.

Warner's attorneys, in obtaining reversal of the convictions, argued that Warner had no knowledge he was not authorized to make the questionable money transfers.

They also contended one of the jurors "hated" Warner and another had a relative with money in the state S&Ls when the collapse took place. They further argued that jury instructions were changed at the last minute and that wire transfers were not covered by state law.

State prosecutors complained the convictions were overturned on technical, procedural issues and not the merits of the guilt of innocence of Warner or Schiebel.

"Warner was involved in almost every facet of the internal operations of the bank," said Justice Robert Holmes in writing the court's opinion. "He was kept informed of all policy decisions by the board of directors. Warner's actions were shown to be calculated and deceitful. "Therefore, any claim that Warner committed the act without the requisite knowledge is unsupported."

The court also supported the state's position that an electronic transfer of money was the equivalent of a written check, that the jury instructions were not prejudicial to the defendant and that the Home State deposits of a juror's mother-in-law should have no bearing on the outcome of the case.

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DALLAS (OCT. 26) UPI - The flow of cash to pay topless dancers used at official functions of failed Vernon Savings and Loan was so great, executives considered setting up a special "ladies" fund or padding Christmas bonuses to hide the outflow, a convicted S&L officer testified Friday.

In the second day of testimony in the trial of thrift owner Don Dixon, former Vernon vice president John B. Hill said thousands of dollars in cash were expended to pay "party girls" brought by limousine or jet to entertain at company events.

"I told Dixon I was getting buried in all the cash," Hill testified. "All the executives at Vernon were grousing about the money. I told Dixon we needed to set up a special "ladies" fund or make up the cash in our (Christmas) bonuses."

Dixon rejected the idea, but encouraged Hill, who made $300,000 annually, to hide the payoffs by falsifying expense vouchers. "He told us just to expense it, make it up," said Hill, who served a six-month prison sentence on conspiracy charges relating to thrift fraud and prostitution.

On one occasion, when cash became tight, Dixon ordered Hill to extract the money from a legitimate commercial loan account, and return it before the absence was discovered.

"I thought that was a real stupid idea and I refused to do it," Hill said, speaking in a soft baritone and avoiding eye contact with Dixon, once a close friend. "So Dixon said he would do it himself." Hill said he didn't know if the loan account was ever tapped.

On cross-examination, Hill admitted the women recruited from a Dallas topless club were paid to attend Vernon parties, but not for sex. "I never told them

outright we wanted them to go to bed with some client or some lobbyist," Hill said. "If they did, they did."

Sex, in fact, was an overriding theme at parties held aboard a Vernon-owned yacht, at hunting lodges or beach homes. "Usually the evenings opened with cocktails and dinner, perhaps some music and socializing," Hill testified. "Then if a couple found themselves mutually attracted, they would disappear, so to speak - duck into a bedroom."

Dixon attended all the parties and often took women to bed, Hill said. "He ended up in the bedroom at most parties," Hill said. Dixon's black-clad wife, Dana Dee, sat in court, stone-faced, listening to the testimony.

Hill, who served briefly as Vernon's president, said he was often solicited to contribute to politicians' campaigns. "I'd ask, 'who the hell is so and so,"' he said. "Then I'd have to write the check."

In a 38-count indictment, Dixon is accused of using depositor funds, filtered through false vouchers and expense documents, to pay for prostitutes, make political contributions and support his lavish lifestyle.

Regulators said the 51-year-old Dallas contractor purchased a small thrift in Vernon, Texas, in 1981 and rapidly expanded it through shaky acquisitions and commercial loans, some of which Dixon had a stake.

Eventually the thrift held assets in 15 states and several nations. Although the assets had a paper value of $1.8 billion, bank regulators said, upon examination, 95 percent of the assets were "dead cows," or non-performing loans. Vernon's collapse in 1987 cost taxpayers an estimated $1.3 billion.

Hill said he never told the accounting office the reason for his high expenses. "I knew if I put the true reason down on the vouchers, the (thrift) examiners would go nuts," he testified. "I wasn't about to put anything about party girls on the books and records of Vernon."

After submitting one heavily padded account, Hill said he cautioned Dixon not to look too closely. "There are lots of politicians in there," Hill said, referring to an expense account now laminated in a stack of court exhibits. "Don kind of shook his head like he understood what I meant. I got my money."

Witnesses scheduled to testify in coming weeks include Vernon jet pilots - there were six on staff - borrowers, regulators and a California madam.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 26) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	77.80	78.00	77.65	77.87	77.87
Feb	74.80	75.02	74.75	74.95	74.92
Apr	75.32	75.42	75.10	75.37	75.35
Jun	73.37	73.40	73.17	73.25	73.37
Aug	71.75	72.00	71.55	71.57	71.82
Oct	72.10	72.32	72.00	72.10	71.97
Dec	72.50	72.55	72.30	72.10	72.15

Est. sales 9,458 contracts; Thursday 14,034; open interest 66,322 up 1,531.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Nov	87.15	87.25	87.02	87.17	87.17
Jan	85.90	86.10	85.80	85.97	85.87
Mar	84.15	84.30	84.10	84.25	84.10
Apr	83.10	83.35	83.05	83.30	83.05
May	82.25	82.37	82.20	82.37	82.15
Aug	81.20	81.25	81.20	81.25	81.30
Sep	79.75	80.20	79.75	80.20	....

Est. sales 1,034 contracts; Thursday 2,287; open interest 10,845 off 263.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	53.75	53.85	52.87	52.95	53.82
Feb	51.00	51.12	50.25	50.37	51.02
Apr	47.65	47.70	47.25	47.32	47.70
Jun	51.15	51.20	50.85	50.95	51.15
Jul	51.30	51.40	51.15	51.30	51.67
Aug	....	49.90	49.80	49.92	50.10
Oct	....	45.70	45.20	45.20	45.40
Dec	45.70	45.70	45.20	45.20	45.70

Est. sales 5,473 contracts; Thursday 3,950; open interest 24,340 up 360.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	64.35	64.95	62.85	62.95	64.85
Mar	64.20	64.60	62.55	62.82	64.30
May	63.30	63.85	62.33	62.45	63.92
Jul	62.90	62.90	61.40	61.45	63.05
Aug	61.50	61.50	59.70	59.87	61.50

Est. sales 1,414 contracts; Thursday 4,284; open interest 9,070 up 195.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 126.06 up 13 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 125.83 up 27 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 117.84 up 2 cents, 700-850 lbs. 117.01 up 5 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were

not established; skinned hams were not tested; seedless bellies 1.00 lower; bellies 12-14 lbs. 52.50-53.00, 14-16 lbs. 53.00, 16-18 lbs. 50.00- 53.00, 18-20 lbs. 52.00, 20-25 lbs. 49.00.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - Congress worked through a long list of bills Friday as the lawmakers waited for final agreement on a budget plan that could clear the way for adjournment.

A revolt against the budget plan developed among members of the Black Caucus, who said they would vote against the plan in retaliation for President Bush's veto of the civil rights bill, which was narrowly sustained by the Senate.

''We're all prepared to accept the consequences of our act,'' said Rep. Ron Dellums, D-Calif., caucus chairman. ''We should stay here as long as necessary until we undo this (veto) madness.''

There was speculation that if business was not completed by Sunday, the lawmakers would take the day off in order to avoid being at the Capitol during a planned march by the Ku Klux Klan.

Rep. Robert Dornan, R-Calif., protested the plan, saying members of Congress should ''take an hour break, go out on the street and tell this scum what we think of them ... tell these haters that they are not welcome in this beautiful federal capital.''

As the budget negotiators continued trying to nail down final details of the deficit-reduction package, the House and Senate spent the day voting on various bills.

The Senate prepared to give final approval to $268 billion defense appropriation and the House was expected to pass the compromise clean air bill.

The House passed and sent to the Senate for final action a two-year $1.14 billion authorization for homeless assistance programs. The bill includes funding for emergency shelter grants, housing rehabilitation, rental assistance, health programs, job training and education for the homeless.

Another measure sent to the Senate would ease restrictions on the export of U.S. high-technology products, such as computer-related equipment, that have national security value. Some members warned the bill faces a veto threat because it also directs the president to restrict exports to countries that attempt to develop chemical weapons.

The House also passed a bill to crack down on money laundering, including provision for tougher penalties against banks and bank officers who are

convicted of money laundering schemes.

As the session crawled toward a close, Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell and House Speaker Thomas Foley said Congress had compiled a significant record of accomplishment, particularly if the deficit-cutting package is enacted.

Among the highlights they cited for reporters were the increased minimum wage benefits, civil rights for the disabled, oil spill and clean air legislation, housing and the five-year farm program.

Mitchell, of Maine, said the ''great dissapointments'' were Bush's veto of the civil rights and family leave bills and added that his ''principle dissapointment'' was failure to approve a campaign finance reform package.

Foley, D-Wash., said Congress ''has an extraordinary record. It is one of the most positive and strongest in recent years.''

Before adjournment, Mitchell said he expected passage of the clean air, child care, immigration bills and still held out the faintest of hopes for an anti-crime measure.

''If all those are enacted, I think we are justified in characterizing this as a highly succesfull Congress,'' Mitchell told a group of reporters.

Mitchell said in the budget agreement Congress will ''have dealt with problems accumulated over a decade and for five years. He acknowledged ''there is a lot to criticize'' in the lengthy process leading to the budget agreement but added it ''will be seen as a positive ''e seen as a pos

The Senate Democratic leader accused Bush of creating the protracted process on the budget, insisting that Congress, acting alone, would have finished weeks ago.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - The United States posted a staggering fiscal 1990 budget deficit of $220.39 billion, the worst showing in four years, the Treasury Department said Friday.

But in September, the last month in the fiscal year, the nation managed a budget surplus of $20.85 billion vs. a deficit of $6.15 billion in September 1989, the department said in its monthly budget statement.

The annual deficit was the highest since a record $221.2 billion shortfall in fiscal 1986, and follows an annual deficit of $153.31 billion during fiscal 1989, the department said.

Receipts totaled $1.03 trillion in fiscal 1990 while outlays totaled $1.25 trillion. In fiscal 1989, receipts totaled $990.7 billion and outlays totaled $1.14 trillion.

Interest paid on the public debt climbed to $264.85 billion in fiscal 1990 from $240.86 billion in fiscal 1989, while spending on the bailout of the nation's battered savings and loan industry was also up sharply - to $46.55 billion from $9.17 billion.

But American defense spending fell to $289.75 billion in fiscal 1990 from $294.88 billion in the previous fiscal year, despite the massive military mobilization in the Middle East.

Spending on Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid also increased during the 12-month period, according to the data compiled by the Treasury Department and the Office of Management and Budget.

Corporate tax receipts were off for the fiscal year, reflecting the weakening U.S. economy, while individual income tax receipts were up for the 12-month period.

In September, receipts totaled $102.87 billion while outlays totaled $82.02 billion.

Interest on the public debt totaled $17.30 billion during last month, and defense spending stood at $20.52 billion. More than $8.77 billion went toward the savings and loan bailout, while $759 million was spent on Social Security benefits.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 26) UPI - The Moldavian Parliament declared a state of emergency Friday in the breakaway southern Gagauz region and planned to ask for Interior Ministry troops to prevent bloodshed, the Soviet media said.

Deputies in Kishinev voted 245-9 to impose the special rule after a failed attempt at negotiations between Moldavian President Mircha Snegur and leaders of the Gagauzi, a Turkic people who make up just 3.5 percent of Moldavia's population of 4.2 million.

In an indication, however, that the crisis may end quickly, the independet Interfax news agency reported negotiations began Friday between Gagauz representatives and Moldavian oficials. It said the talks were being held near the Gagauz town of Komrat.

Large groups of Moldavians, infuriated by the breakaway attempt, massed at the

border of the Gagauz region but were being held back by police reinforcements sent to the troubled area, the official Tass news agency said.

All roads into the area were blocked by the militia and cars, trucks and tractors brought by Gagauzi, Tass said.

''The situation in the republic is threatening to go out of control in view of the Moldavian population's strongly negative attitude to the actions of the Gagauzi and attempts by the Moldavian Popular Front to organize teams of volunteers to prevent elections,'' the news agnecy said Thursday.

The Soviet government newspaper Izvestia, Tass and Interfax said the Moldavian parliament was planning to ask Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov to allow the use of an Interior Ministry regiment based in the Moldavian capital of Kishinev.

Interfax said: ''Moldavia is on the brink of civil war.''

The Moldavian Parliament declared the state of emergency in the Gagauzi-dominated southern regions of Chadyr-Lunga, Komrat and Bulkanesht, Interfax said.

The Moldavian crisis is tied to what conservatives have called an ''epidemic of sovereignty declarations'' in which local regions are proclaiming independence from republics that themselves have acted with similar defiance toward the Soviet government.

The Gagauz crisis began brewing on Aug. 20 when the tiny region declared itself an independent respublic within the Soviet Union. On Wednesday, the Gagauzi advanced their legislative elections from this Sunday to Thursday, sparking the current strife.

Police sealed off all roads into the southern area wedged between the giant Ukraine republic and Romania, the neighboring country from which dictator Josef Stalin carved most of Moldavia in 1940.

As the entrances into the Gagauz region were being sealed, busloads of angry Moldavians traveled from Kishinev to the tense area.

Hundreds of young Moldavians demonstrated in Kishinev late Wednesday, shouting ''Moldavians to arms'' and other slogans, the official government newspaper Izvestia said.

Stepan Topal, head of the self-proclaimed Provisional Committee of the Gagauz Republic, told Tass that Gagauzi in the regional capital of Komrat were terrified by the threats of violence.

Gagauzi, who speak their own language, number just 173,000 in the entire Soviet Union, with 138,000 in Moldavia, 27,000 in the Ukraine and the others

scattered throughout the rest of the country.

Moldavians, who speak Romanian and retain strong cultural ties with their native land, make up nearly two-thirds of the Soviet republic's people. About one-quarter of the population is split between Ukrainians and Russians, with Gagauzi and other ethnic groups having much smaller numbers.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Striking Daily News workers early Friday firebombed delivery trucks and hurled rocks and bottles at non-union replacements during the second day of a bitter walkout that could determine whether the nation's largest daily tabloid survives.

Hundreds of workers picketed outside the paper's three printing plants and midtown Manhattan headquarters following the early morning violence that erupted after seven of the newspaper's 10 unions walked off the job Thursday night.

Union and management officials said no meetings were scheduled. News officials vowed to get out a paper with non-union employees.

The picket lines set up Thursday were honored by two of the non- striking unions - the Newspaper Guild, which represents some 800 editorial workers, and the Stereotypers Union.

Only the printers union said it would continue working, citing the need to protect their lifetime job guarantees - plans they made known months ago.

The strike left union representatives deeply pessimistic about the future of the financially troubled tabloid as management struggled to put out the newspaper with non-union replacements.

''One way or another, the News is dead,'' said Ted Kheel, the unions' chief lawyer. ''It's just a matter of time before the burial ceremony takes place.''

The walkout came after News officials fired 200 drivers who left their job at the News' Brooklyn plant during a pre-dawn dispute over whether a union member claiming a medical disablity could sit down while working on the job.

Less than an hour after the argument, the News sent in a busload of non-union replacements who were promptly attacked with by rock and bottle-hurling union workers in a confrontation that left delivery trucks burned or destroyed and a number of non-union workers and police officers hurt.

The violence was repeated later Thursday and early Friday in Brooklyn and at the paper's two other plants in Garden City, Long Island and Kearney, N.J.,

the striking workers tried to stop replacement workers from entering and delivery trucks from leaving.

Police said at least nine union workers have been arrested in the last two days on various charges in New York and New Jersey.

The strike brought to a boil a simmering dispute that began 10 months ago when the Chicago-based Tribune Co., which owns the News, opened contract talks vowing to seek millions of dollars in cost reductions and impose sweeping control of hours and working conditions.

The company has insisted union concessions are essential to keep the newspaper from drowning in red ink.

Labor leaders, from the outset, have claimed that the company wanted to provoke a strike to break the unions as part of a plan to either close or sell the tabloid - the nation's biggest daily tabloid and the second largest circulation newspaper in the country after the Los Angeles Times, with just under 1.2 million readers.

The unions have been working without a contract since Mar. 31.

The News, meanwhile, said it planned to put together a Saturday edition with permanent workers they hired to replace striking employees. In a written statement, the company said it published 611,000 copies of the newspaper Friday and intended to ''improve performance each day until normal distribution is reached.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - No. 1 U.S. bank Citicorp is putting off pay raises for some 45,000 executives until the middle of next year as part of an austerity drive that also could entail staff cuts, a bank spokesman said Friday.

But while Citicorp, like other New York money center banks, is adjusting for the soured real estate loans chomping into profits, it doesn't intend to do so with a Draconian layoff program, bank spokesman John Maloney said.

"We are vigorously cutting costs," Maloney said. "We're just not saying out front (that) we're cutting so many people." He added, "We'll make significant cost reductions, and cost reductions can be done in a number of ways." One of those ways is to postpone raises for bank officers, who number about 45,000 out of Citicorp's total staff of 92,000 worldwide.

"For officers of the institution, not for non-officers or hourly workers, instead of being reviewed for your (pay) increase on an annual basis, you will

be reviewed on an 18-month basis starting in January," Maloney explained. He declined to say how much would be saved this way.

For weeks rumors have circulated in the financial community saying Citicorp was preparing to announce thousands of layoffs, after Chase Manhattan Corp.'s September announcement it would let 5,000 staff go. Citicorp said last month it was laying off 100 from its leveraged-lending unit.

Said Maloney, "We have put no number out and we have said we did not choose to do it in that way." Instead, he said, Citicorp is systematically examining its business units, particularly in worldwide corporate finance, "looking at what the prospects for revenue are and expenses are."

He said an estimate of needed job cuts could be made at the end of the year, but that the review process would go on into next. "It takes quite a long time to do something like this," he said. "We're not going to panic."

Maloney said Citicorp intended to maintain its strategic global position, not retreat as other U.S. institutions have done. "We've embarked on major economies, yes - not a downscaling," Maloney said. "We're not pulling out of many parts of the world like the other guys."

But some see this moderated cost-cutting approach as a refusal to address the bank's real problems and depart from past behavior. "I think Citicorp has historically been one of the most reluctant to control its expense lines," said PaineWebber Inc. bank analyst Frank DeSantis, adding that high overhead has long restrained the bank's profits.

"It's not surprising that when the (banking) industry's got their back to the wall, and everyone else around them is cutting jobs, they're taking the Band-Aid approach to cutting costs," he said.

DeSantis said he believed Citicorp would eventually be obliged to take larger cost-cutting steps, and possibly trim fourth-quarter dividends. "They've got themselves in a box and now they've got to work out of it,' he said.

In the third quarter, Citicorp posted a 38 percent profit drop, earning $221 million, or 56 cents a share, compared with $358 million, or 99 cents a share in the year-earlier period. Troubled commercial assets rose $1.1 billion in the period, to $9.2 billion from $8.1 billion.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Washington's patience in the Persian Gulf may be growing a little thin. In the past 24 hours there has been confirmation from Defense Secretary Cheney that 100-thousand more U-S troops may head to the area to beef up the numbers already there. And now diplomats are talking of Secretary

of State Baker possibly heading to Saudi Arabia to ask its permission to get the tanks and troops rolling. All of this comes as Iraq says the 700 Bulgarians it holds as hostages are now free to go.

The budget compromise is reported to be slowly creeping along in Washington with Senate Republican leader Robert Dole warning that the results may yet fall short of goals. He says a number of major issues remain on the table and the target of 500-BILLION dollars in deficit cuts over five years may NOT make it. And there is still the question of getting the package actually passed by Congress, especially in the House, which has become the place where previous budget compromises went to die.

The government will now decide what jail Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry will be in when he serves six months on his conviction of misdemeanor cocaine possession charges. And he will remain free on personal recognizance until then. Barry also was given a five-thousand- dollar fine by a judge who commented on his ''breach of public service.'' Barry will remain as mayor until his term ends on January 2nd because he was convicted of a misdemeanor, NOT a felony.

The new issue of the National Law Journal due out next Monday has an article in which former Supreme Court Justice Lewis Powell says he may have been wrong in voting to uphold a Georgia law making sodomy between consenting adults a crime. Powell's vote was the deciding one delivered in the 5-4 decision that carried a conservative victory in the issue.

A shootout between alleged members of a Jamaican gang and federal and local police in Miami has left two suspects dead and two wounded. The F- B-I says NO law enforcement agents were injured in the 15-second exchange of gunfire outside a warehouse last night. The F-B-I says the suspects were alleged members of a so-called ''Jamaican Posse'' linked to home invasion robberies, drug ripoffs and murders... and were armed with automatic weapons and posing as police officers.

Careless smoking is being blamed for an early morning house fire that killed four people, including three young children. Officials say the blaze was sparked by a boarder smoking in bed. The fire killed him and the three children, who were trapped in a second-floor bedroom. Three people managed to escape the inferno. Officials say the house was completely engulfed in flames when firefighters arrived.

Hundreds of former crewmen gathered in Norfolk, Virginia, today as the Navy retired the World War Two-era battleship U-S-S Iowa. The vessel fell victim to Pentagon budget cuts after an April 1989 gun turret explosion that killed 47 sailors. Loved ones of those who died in the blast also were on hand for the ceremony on the deck of the battleship at Norfolk Naval Station. One crewman who served aboard the Iowa in the 1940's said mothballing the warship was ''like burying one of your people.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Gold futures closed Friday 490 to 540 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	372.50	372.50	370.30	370.90	375.80
Nov	377.10	....	....	371.00	376.10
Dec	379.20	380.20	370.60	373.20	378.30
Feb	393.70	393.70	375.00	377.30	382.50
Apr	387.30	388.20	378.80	381.00	386.20
Jun	391.80	391.80	383.00	384.90	390.20
Aug	395.10	....	....	388.80	394.10
Oct	399.10	....	....	392.80	398.10
Dec	404.00	404.00	395.00	396.80	402.20
Feb	407.70	....	....	401.30	406.70
Apr	407.60	407.60	405.50	405.50	410.90
Jun	415.60	415.60	410.00	410.00	415.40
Aug	421.20	....	....	414.80	420.20

Open interest: 113,141 up 319.

Estimated sales: 40,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 13 to 27 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.43	9.54	9.20	9.33	9.60
May	9.42	9.46	9.23	9.39	9.61
Jly	9.46	9.47	9.30	9.41	9.58
Oct	9.49	9.50	9.34	9.43	9.61
Mar	9.56	....	....	9.58	9.71

Estimated sales: 17,341 contracts

Open interest: 110,209 up 590

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.39

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday unchanged to 3 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.11	23.17	23.11	23.15	23.12

Mar	23.11	23.14	23.11	23.14	23.13
May	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.24
Jly	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25
Sep	23.21	23.21	23.21	23.21	23.20
Nov	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	22.98
Jan	23.00	....	....	23.03	23.03

Estimated sales: 522 contracts
Open interest: 10,872 unchanged

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#90299u1326 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

SAO PAULO, BRAZIL (OCT. 26) UPI - Hundreds of marine animals were found slaughtered on a beach in southern Brazil - the apparent victims of commercial fishermen in whose nets they got tangled, officials said Friday.

''By my estimate, there are about 400 or 500 animals of all kinds - giant turtles, penguins, seals, sea lions, dolphins,'' said Moacir Schroeder, regional director of the Brazilian Institute on the Environment and Natural Resources.

''They are every where along the beach,'' he told United Press International in a telephone interview from Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil's southernmost state, about 700 miles southwest of Sao Paulo. ''This is a crime against nature.''

After a witness report, the animals were found Thursday during a helicopter search by government agencies. The corpses stretch for about 60 miles of coastline in Rio Grande do Sul, officials said.

Schroeder said some of the animals had their heads cut off, while others were still tied with rope and still others had been shot with .22 caliber bullets.

''We're very concerned,'' he said. ''These animals are of absolutely no commercial value to the fishermen. They get tangled in the nets (of shrimp or tuna fishermen), and they kill them to get them out of the way.''

He said there was a similar incident in the same area in 1988, but that this was easily the largest massacre of marine animals he had ever seen in Brazil.

''We are going to conduct a thorough investigation,'' he said. ''We will search by air, land and water.'' He said state biologists and zoologists were being brought in from Brasilia to determine how the animals had died and how long they had been dead.

Federal Police and several state agencies are involved in the investigation, he said.

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#90299u1328 10/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	375.25	up 3.75
Morning fixing	377.30	up 2.05
Afternoon fixing	373.30	off 1.95
Close	373.00	off 2.25
Paris	379.85	up 3.55
Zurich	373.50	off 2.50
Hong Kong was closed		
New York		
Comex spot close	370.90	off 4.90
Republic cash	371.25	off 5.00
Handy and Harman	373.30	off 1.75

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 374.58 off 1.76 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 393.31 off 1.85 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.05	off 0.154
Republic cash	4.08	off 0.15

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.135 per fine ounce off 0.09

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.145 off 0.115 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.435 off 0.123

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 417.50 off 7.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 517.50 off 7.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 95.50 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 110.50 off 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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CHICAGO (OCT. 26) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Friday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					

Dec	2.63 1/2	2.63 1/4	2.60 1/2	2.62 1/4	2.63 3/4
Mar	2.77	2.77	2.74 1/2	2.76	2.77 3/4
May	2.84	2.84	2.81 1/4	2.83	2.84 1/4
Jly	2.87	2.89	2.85 1/2	2.88 1/2	2.87 3/4
Sep	....	....	....	2.92	2.92
Dec	3.02	3.02	3.01 1/2	3.01 1/2	3.02 1/2

Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	2.29 1/4	2.29 1/2	2.27 1/2	2.27 3/4	2.30 1/2
Mar	2.38 3/4	2.38 6	2.37	2.37 1/4	2.39 3/4
May	2.44 3/4	2.45	2.43 1/4	2.43 3/4	2.45 3/4
Jly	2.49	2.49 1/2	2.47 1/2	2.47 3/4	2.50 1/4
Sep	2.49	2.49	2.46 1/2	2.47	2.49 1/2
Dec	2.49	2.49	2.46 3/4	2.47 3/4	2.50 1/4
Mar	2.55	2.55	2.54	2.54	2.56 1/4

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.22 3/4	1.23	1.19 1/4	1.20	1.23 3/4
Mar	1.32 3/4	1.32 3/4	1.29 1/4	1.29 3/4	1.33 3/4
May	1.39 3/4	1.39 3/4	1.36	1.36 1/2	1.40 1/2
Jly	1.43	1.43	1.42 1/4	1.42 1/2	1.46 1/4
Sep	....	....	....	1.48 1/2	1.52

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	6.03	6.04	5.94	5.94 3/4	6.05 1/2
Jan	6.18	6.20 1/4	6.10 1/2	6.11	6.21 1/2
Mar	6.34	6.34 1/2	6.25 1/2	6.26	6.36
May	6.47	6.47	6.39 1/2	6.40 1/4	6.48 1/2
Jly	6.57	6.58	6.49	6.49 1/2	6.59 1/4
Aug	6.56 1/4	6.56 1/4	6.50	6.49 3/4	6.58 1/4
Sep	6.32	6.33 1/2	6.28	6.27 1/2	6.33 1/2
Nov	6.23 1/2	6.24 1/2	6.20	6.20 1/4	6.24 1/4
Jan	6.36 1/2	6.36 1/2	6.32 1/2	6.32 1/2	6.37

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	22.08	22.08	21.80	21.82	22.16
Jan	22.35	22.37	22.08	22.12	22.45
Mar	22.76	22.80	22.53	22.54	22.86
May	23.13	23.15	22.91	22.97	23.28
Jul	23.30	23.35	23.15	23.20	23.44
Aug	23.25	23.40	23.20	23.20	23.40
Sep	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.28
Oct	23.05	23.05	22.80	22.80	23.07
Dec	22.75	22.75	22.75	22.75	22.85
Jan	22.65	22.75		22.70	22.90

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	182.20	182.20	179.60	179.80	182.80

Jan	184.10	184.30	182.10	182.20	184.90
Mar	188.00	188.00	186.00	186.10	188.50
May	189.00	189.70	188.00	188.20	189.60
Jul	190.50	191.20	189.70	190.10	191.40
Aug	191.00	191.50	190.00	190.00	191.70
Sep	188.00	189.10	187.50	188.00	188.00
Oct	185.50	187.00	185.50	185.50	185.70
Dec	185.80	187.00	185.70	186.50	186.60

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CAIRO, EGYPT (OCT. 26) UPI - Egypt raised its export prices for crude oil Friday $3 a barrel across the board, ending the week where it started, the Egyptian General Petroleum Corp. said.

The premium Zeit Bay-Ras el Behar and Gulf of Suez blends were raised to $32.30 and $32 a barrel, respectively, EGPC said. The medium Balaim and Ras Badran crudes were boosted to $31.15 and $30.00 per barrel, respectively, said the announcement, and the heavy Ras Ghareb was priced at $29.70 per barrel.

It was the third price hike this week as Egypt raised its prices by $1 and $2 a barrel on Thursday and Wednesday, respectively. following Monday's slash of $6 a barrel.

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#90299u1389 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Developer and casino-hotel owner Donald J. Trump, whose financial empire is showing signs of stress, Friday said LFC Real Estate Marketing Services will auction 45 luxury properties at Trump Plaza of the Palm Beaches in Florida on Dec. 16.

Also Friday, Trump set the minimum bid for the condominiums and townhomes at $150,000. Asking prices on the property previously ranged from $299,000 to $1.8 million, Trump said.

Real estate sales at the West Palm Beach development, acquired by Trump in 1986 with a $60 million loan from Marine Midland Bank of New York, have been slow to non-existent, according to real estate analysts. The auction, to be held at the Breakers Hotel in Palm Beach, was scheduled as part of an agreement with Marine Midland.

"We have selected LFC (of Newport Beach, Calif.) and their auction marketing technique because they have nationally demonstrated their ability to market luxury residential properties," Trump said in a statement. "The real estate climate is soft nationwide, indicating a need for more aggressive and innovative marketing approaches."

Forty-one condominiums, a penthouse and three townhomes in the development's twin 32-story towers will be auctioned, Trump said.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Media reports from France indicate that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein has sent a message to President Francois Mitterrand saying he is ''ready to discuss'' problems in the Middle East, including Kuwait. There's NO formal confirmation from Paris. A similar message reportedly went to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. All of this comes as the French and Soviet leaders prepare for a mini- summit in Paris on Sunday.

Israel is out with its own report on the Temple Mount riots and deaths on October 8th. It blames Moslem worshippers for starting everything. It also blames senior Israeli police officials for NOT keeping a lid on the violence that followed. The report from the three- member committee follows two weeks of investigations into the deaths of at least 20 Palestinians. They died when Israeli police switched from firing rubber bullets to using live rounds.

White House Chief of Staff John Sununu is warning congressional negotiators NOT to hide any surprises in the budget compromise they are trying to hammer out today. But he also sounds a note of optimism that Congress will approve the package once it is ready for a vote. Senate Republican leader Robert Dole says he feels an agreement could be ready by nightfall, allowing for a quick vote and then a quick exit from Washington as the 101st Congress finally spirals down to an end.

Three-term Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry stood before a federal judge this morning and said he was prepared ''to take full responsibility'' for the actions that brought him there in the first place. The judge then gave Barry a six-month jail sentence and a five- thousand-dollar fine for his conviction on cocaine possession charges. The charge was a misdemeanor, NOT a felony, and that means Barry will NOT have to step down before his term expires on January 2nd. And he can continue running for an at-large City Council seat in the November 6th Washington elections.

Emergency management officials in North Carolina report that five- thousand people have been cut off from the mainland after near- hurricane-strength winds slammed into the coast, knocking out a bridge to the Outer Banks. Officials say winds gusting up to 90 miles an hour ripped a dredge from its moorings and knocked the vessel into the Herbert Bonner bridge, tearing out a 300-foot section. The bridge is the only link between Hatteras Island and the mainland.

A 71-year-old Michigan woman is taking the state's largest supermarket chain to court over a seven-cent over-charge. Evelyn Hoff of Madison Heights is

suing Farmer Jack, claiming she was over-charged for a Stouffer's Lean Cuisine spaghetti entree and the store refused to pay her a one-dollar penalty as prescribed by Michigan law. Consumer groups are rallying around Hoff, charging that the law is widely circumvented.

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MADRID, SPAIN (OCT. 26) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev was given a red-carpet welcome to Spain Friday and began negotiations to receive about $1 billion worth of credits in Spanish consumer goods desperately needed by the troubled Soviet economy.

Gorbachev, accompanied by his wife Raisa, arrived shortly before 1 p.m. at Madrid Airport, where he was received by socialist Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez and Foreign Minister Francisco Fernandez Ordonez.

So rapid has been the political change in spain that there was not a dissenter to be seen or voice of protest heard against the visitors from the Kremlin.

''We are prepared and want to share actively in all European issues, including the new security structure, and pan-European system of interaction in the economy, ecology, energy, information and culture,'' Gorbachev told the Spanish newspaper El Pais in an interview also published in the Communist Party newspaper Pravda on Friday.

''The Europeans can solve these and many other issues, for that matter, only if they act together,'' Gorbachev said, making his first foreign trip since winning the Nobel Peace Prize.

Officials said the main subject of business would be a more than $1 billion credit package that would be used by the Soviets to buy Spanish consumer goods and industrial equipment.

The Soviet first couple were driven in a classic Rolls-Royce limousine in a motorcade through the Spanish capital to the Prado Palace, where they will stay during their weekend visit.

Gorbachev was received by King Juan Carlos and both stood to attention as national anthems were played. He inspected an honor guard and then traveled to the Moncloa Palace, where he embarked on his first bout of talks with Gonzalez.

From the same three-story, 18th century palace, set in its own gardens seven miles from the capital, Gen. Francisco Franco ruled Spain for almost four decades before his lingering death in November 1975.

A 21-gun salute boomed across the palace grounds and units on foot and horseback as well as a motorcycle unit mounting machines sent here by

President in the 1950s swung past.

The veteran Harley-Davidsons and Franco's stately Rolls served as reminders that Spain was once ruled by a man who survived to become the last of Europe's dictators and who died loathing communism.

Since democracy, Spain has received many heads of state but the visit of the Soviet leader has captured the nation's attention more than any.

Newspapers front paged welcome headlines in Russian script and the state-run television network is giving the visit, the first Gorbachev has made since winning the Nobel peace prize, 20 hours of live coverage before he flies to Paris from Barcelona on Sunday.

The six-day European swing will also take Gorbachev to France, and to underline his intent on active European diplomacy, the Soviet leader was accompanied by Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

Socialist Prime Minister Gonzalez spent more than two hours in talks with Gorbachev covering peace initiatives to end the Gulf crisis, economic and technical help for Moscow and finalizing details of a $1.2 billion credit to help boost the Soviet Union's shattered economy.

As the leaders talked, Mrs. Gorbachev, who arrived wearing a striking mustard colored jacket, strolled through the main Plaza de Espana Square, in the city center, stopping to talk to those who could get near her.

Then she was driven to Madrid's famous Prado Museum and escorted around the gallery by Queen Sofia, looking at priceless paintings by such Spanish masters as Goya, El Greco and Velazquez.

Later, she teamed up with her husband for another colorful ceremony at the ancient city hall before moving on to Parliament to meet members of both theCongress and Senate from all political parties.

After a state banquet at the Royal Oriente Palace - now used exclusively for such occasions - the Gorbachevs were spending the night at the former seat of Franco power. It was lavishly reconverted into the guest house for visiting heads of state.

Installed was a direct link from his bedside telephone to the Kremlin.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 26) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.47 1/4-2.52 1/4 off 1 1/2.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.88 3/4- 5.96 3/4 off 10 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.15 3/4-2.27 3/4 off 2 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.27 3/4-2.30 3/4 off 2 3/4.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - The crisis in the gulf is moving into a tense new phase with both sides building up their military forces, playing what diplomatic cards they have, and waiting for the other side to blink.

U.S. policy makers have found Saddam Hussein to be wily and unexpectedly resilient. But U.S. officials continue to believe that time is working against Saddam and he is being forced to deal with increasingly difficult economic problems that may eventually erode whatever popular support he may have.

Iraq has begun gas rationing and there are signs that spare parts - for military as well as civilian vehicles and aircraft - are in short supply.

Nevertheless, Saddam has added another 100,000 troops to those already in Kuwait, for a total of about 430,000, and the Iraqi troops are digging in. The United States has matched that with announced plans to send another 100,000 troops to Saudi Arabia, which would bring the total U.S. strength to more than 300,000.

U.S. officials believe that the international coalition against Iraq has held together better than anticipated, although there are the first rumblings from Capitol Hill from members of Congress who want to be consulted before the first shots are fired.

The administration has said it would ''consult'' but not let Congress be part of the decision-making process in case a quick response would have to be required.

The State Department and Pentagon have begun planning for the next phase in the crisis, which will include trips to the Middle East by Secretary of State Baker, probably within the next two weeks, and a brief tour by President Bush in late November.

On Baker's agenda is an understanding with Saudi Arabia that U.S. forces can be used with great flexibility and that they won't have to wait for an Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia before moving into action. He also wants to set up a longer-term arrangement for Saudi financial support for the U.S. forces - now

running at $1 billion a month.

The U.S. strategy is to keep up the diplomatic pressure, but to make it apparent to Saddam that the alternative - a full-scale military attack - will come if there is no response to the diplomacy and the U.N. resolutions calling for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Both sides are operating on the theory that the United States and its allies would hold air superiority within days of the first shot being fired. But both sides are also aware of another military fact: As Iraq found out in its eight-year war with Iran, air superiority doesn't win wars. Victory requires superiority on the ground as well.

Saddam, for his part, is trying to split the coalition against him, partly by the selective release of hostages, and partly by a confusing mixture of bluster, threats and reasonable-sounding approaches to some Western leaders.

The wild card in this contest is terrorism.

One nightmare scenario is an Iraqi truckbomb driven into an American military installation. Another is an attack, by an Iraqi-directed mob, against an American military or diplomatic installation in the Middle East.

At that point, President Bush would have to make a decision to move into the next phase, most likely an air attack that would begin by taking out Iraqi air defenses, and then striking at relative leisure at strategic targets inside Iraq.

That would be the next phase: removing Saddam's war-making potential and, presumably in that process, removing Saddam himself from power.

That is the general path that Saudi and American officials see ahead, since - as Saudi Ambassador Bandar Bin Sultan - said Thursday: ''We don't see anything as of now that tells us Saddam Hussein has changed his mind and wants a peaceful resolution.''

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(OCT. 26) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $4 to $6 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - unchanged to 0.40 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.20 cent higher to 0.75 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.08 cent higher to 0.48 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $4.90 to $5.40 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $5.40 to $7.10 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.15 cent higher to 1.00 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 15.4 to 17.9 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.013 to 0.027 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - A bicyclist testifying at the Central Park jogger trial Friday identified Kevin Richardson's jacket as the same garment worn by a member of a teen gang that tried to attack him.

''That's the jacket,'' testified Gerald Malone, an advertising executive who was riding through the moonlit park with his fiancee, Patricia Dean, on a bicycle built for two on April 19, 1989.

Malone, 35, made the statement after looking at a police photograph of the jacket Richardson, 16, was wearing when he was apprehended in the park that night.

Malone, who has since married Dean and moved to San Francisco, said a youth wearing the same jacket was in a gang that blocked the roadway and grabbed at Dean as they sped by on the tandem bike.

Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer asked the hulky Malone at what point during the incident he noticed the jacket.

''Almost immediately. That white logo was there. He was crouching. Then he pulled the jacket up over his head,'' Malone testified at the trial in state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

Richardson and co-defendant, Kharey Wise, 18, are on trial on 13 criminal counts stemming from the one-hour random crime spree.

They are accused of being part of a gang of up to 30 youths that rampaged through the park, beating and robbing joggers and bicyclists and gang-raping a

woman jogger.

During the trial Friday, Howard Diller continued as Richardson's defense lawyer despite the family's contention that he has been fired and replaced by black activist lawyer C. Vernon Mason.

Mason, who is awaiting a jury verdict in the murder trial of another client in Brooklyn, was expected to show up in the Manhattan courtroom either Friday or Monday to ask for permission to take over Richardson's defense.

On Thursday, Justice Thomas Galligan Thursday turned down Diller's request to step down because he had been fired by Richardson's mother, Grace Cuffee, who hired Mason. Diller told the judge that Richardson's family is refusing to cooperate with him to help in the youth's defense.

However, Galligan told Diller that the trial was under way and ''as far as the court is concerned, you are the attorney for the defendant and you will continue as attorney for the defendant.''

Altogether, six youths were indicted in the ''wilding'' rampage. Three of them were convicted last summer of raping and beating the woman jogger and assaulting two male joggers. The three - McCray, Yusef Salaam, 16, and Raymond Santana, 16 - were sentenced to 5 to 10 years in a juvenile jail.

The final youth, Steve Lopez, 16, is slated to be tried alone next year.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - A judge sentenced Mayor Marion Barry Friday to six months in jail and a $5,000 fine for his conviction on a cocaine possession charge, saying the chief executive of the nation's capital gave ''aid, comfort and encouragement to the drug culture.''

U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson ordered the three-term mayor to one year on probation after his release from prison and ordered him to undergo periodic drug testing.

Because he was convicted of a misdemeanor, Barry will not be forced to relinquish his office before his term ends Jan. 2. Under city law, he also can continue his bid for the at-large City Council seat in the Nov. 6 elections.

Barry would have been forced to step down if he had been convicted of a felony.

The mayor's wife, Effi, and his mother, Mattie Cummings, looked on as Barry stood before the judge next to one of his attorneys, Robert Mance.

Jackson found that Barry engaged in a ''willful attempt to obstruct justice''

by lying to a grand jury about his drug use, a charge which makes jail time mandatory under U.S. sentencing guidelines.

Jackson said he will let the government decide in which prison Barry will be incarcerated. He allowed Barry to remain free on his personal recognizance and told Barry he had the right to appeal.

''His breach of public service alone is of the highest consideration, '' Jackson said in delivering the sentence, adding that Barry gave ''aid, comfort and encouragement to the drug culture.''

As he stood before the judge, Barry said, ''I stand here remorseful and I ask this court to impose community service as a sentence.''

Before the sentencing, Barry told the judge he was nervous.

''My stomach is in knots,'' he said. ''I am prepared and have been prepared to take full responsibility for my actions. These actions were out of character."

He admitted his former dependence to alcohol, valium, an anti-depressant and cocaine, saying, ''I believe I've led an exemplary life since Jan. 18,'' the day of his arrest. He said it was the 279th day he was free of any drug.

Paul Martin, a spokesman for the U.S. Sentencing Commission, said Barry must serve the entire six months in jail because federal sentencing guidelines that went into effect in 1987 abolished parole.

In addition, because Barry's sentence was under a year, he is not eligible for ''good time.''

"Six months is six months," Martin said. ''That's what he will have to serve.

''If the judge had not found obstruction of justice, he could've given (Barry) straight probation. But with obstruction there's a mandatory minimum jail sentence of two months, and it goes up to eight months.''

Defense attorney R. Kenneth Mundy said he was ''disappointed'' by the jail sentence, and added, ''The final chapter has not been written.''

''We will be appealing and we fully expect that the appeal process will take a little while.'' Mundy said.

He said Barry, who left the courthouse through a side door without speaking to reporters, was ''disappointed too.''

''He was disappointed, very honestly disappointed,'' Mundy said.

Mundy declined to say whether he believed Barry's political career would be

further harmed, but he did say that Barry had been used as a ''whipping boy'' and ''a scapegoat'' for the district's worsening drug problem.

But U.S. Attorney Jay Stephens told reporters at a news conference later that Barry's sentence was appropriate and ''well within the range of the maxiumum sentence provided by law.''

''In imposing the sentence the court emphasized that Mr. Barry had breached the public trust and contributed to this city's and our nation's most devastating drug problem,'' Stephens said. ''He has now been held accountable for his conduct.''

Stephens also denied that the government's recommendation that Barry be sentenced to a jail term instead of probation was racially or politically motivated.

''The decision to prosecute this case, the decision we made ask for the sentence was based on a range of factors such as breach of public trust and obstruction of justice,'' Stephens said. ''The totality of the conduct here justified the imposition of the sentence.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.84

60 to 89 days 7.76

90 to 119 days 7.78

120 to 149 days 7.70

150 to 179 days 7.66

180 to 270 days 7.61

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.95 - 7.75

Issuers 30 days 7.87

Issuers 90 days 7.79

Issuers 270 days 7.43

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.97

60 to 89 days 7.97

90 to 119 days 8.00

120 to 149 days 8.00

150 to 179 days 8.00

180 days 8.00

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.875 - 8.00

1 month 7.875 - 8.00

3 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

6 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

Year 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.14 - 7.12

6 months 7.10 - 7.08

Year 6.96 - 6.94

Federal Funds: High 7 15-16, Low 7 7/8, Close 7 7/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.759 off 0.019.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90299u1506 10/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EDT composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	64 1-2	off 1	
AT&T Company	33 1-2	off	1-8
BCE Inc	32	unch	
Bell Atlantic	49 3-4	off	3-8
BellSouth Corp	51 5-8	off	1-4
Exxon Corp	47 1-4	off	1-2
Ford Motor Co	x29 7-8	off 1	1-8
Genl Electric	50 1-2	off	3-4
General Motors	37 3-8	off	7-8
GTE Corp	27 1-2	off 1	
IBM Corp	106 5-8	off 1	1-2
Mobil Oil Corp	58 1-8	unch	
Nynex Corp	70	off	1-4
Pac Gas & Elec	23 5-8	off	1-8
Pacific Telesis	43 3-4	off	3-4
Phila Electric	16	unch	
Sears Roebuck	24	off 1	7-8
Southern Co	26	unch	
Sthwestern Bell	52 5-8	off	5-8
US West Inc	36 7-8	off	1-2

x-ex-dividend

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#90299u1527 10/26/1990 ~United Press International
ELMONT, N.Y. (OCT. 26) UPI - Gorgeous, the 5-3 third choice in Saturday's $1 million Breeders' Cup Distaff, has been scratched from the 1 1-8-mile race for fillies and mares.

The reason for the scratch by trainer Neil Drysdale was not announced immediately, but a spokeswoman for host Belmont Park said a veterinarian would make a statement later Friday.

#90299u1537 10/26/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 26) UPI - A ranking Soviet envoy met with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak Friday before heading backing to Iraq and warned against rewarding Iraqi aggression, as the United States sent strong signals it was considering ending the standoff with a military strike.

Also in Cairo, Italian Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis said after talks with Mubarak and his Egyptian counterpart Esmat Abdel Meguid prior to a weekend European Community summit that a partial solution to the Persian Gulf crisis was unacceptable.

In New York, oil prices were almost unchanged in early Friday afternoon seesaw trading on a report Secretary of State James Baker was expected to go to Saudi Arabia to obtain permission for a military strike against Iraq.

The French television station, Network La Cinq, reported that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein had sent a message to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and French President Francois Mitterrand saying he was ''ready to discuss'' the Kuwaiti situation, but the report could not be confirmed.

But a spokesman for Mitterrand said she had ''no information'' about any such message. ''Maybe one was sent. But we didn't receive one,'' she said.

Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov again expressed optimism Friday the crisis could be solved peacefully but warned that Iraq must not be rewarded for its invasion of Kuwait.

''I am convinced that we can change the situation entirely without resorting to the military option,'' Primakov said after meeting Mubarak.

"(But) we must not reward anyone for what he has done," he added, in a veiled reference to reports he was negotiating a peace plan by which Iraq would withdraw from Kuwait in return for two strategic Kuwaiti islands in the gulf.

The report, denied by Moscow and Baghdad, was criticized by many world leaders who said the withdrawal from Kuwait must be unconditional.

Despite the Gorbachev aide's meeting Oct. 5 with Saddam Hussein in Baghdad,the Soviet envoy was not acting as a mediator between the Iraq president and other world leaders, an Egyptian official said, but was seeking to discover a peaceful solution to the crisis.

State-owned Cairo Radio said Primakov would be in Baghdad Saturday and would probably meet Saddam and other Iraqi leaders. But Baghdad Radio made no comment on Primakov's impending visit.

The Soviet Union has not joined the U.S.-led multinational force deployed in

the gulf to counter Iraqi aggression, but it has supported U.N. resolutions demanding a complete withdrawal from Kuwait and has said it would join any U.N.-backed effort to oust the Iraqis from the emirate.

The Italian foreign minister De Michalis, meanwhile, whose country is the current chairman of the 12-nation EC, said after talks with Mubarak that there was no room for a partial solution to the crisis and said Baghdad's isolation was becoming more and more clear.

De Michalis said he was sending a clear signal to Baghdad that ''no half-way solution is possible.'' The crisis would be among the topis discussed at the EC summit, he said.

Sources in Washington said the White House was sending Saddam Hussein a clear message that it was serious about its demand he withdraw from Kuwait, occupied by Iraqi troops Aug. 2.

In Washington Friday, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater did not deny reports Baker would travel to Saudi Arabia to obtain permission for a military strike against Iraq if that option was deemed necessary. But Fitzwater said he would not discuss Baker's travel plans.

Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney confirmed Thursday the United States may send another 100,000 troops to the gulf to join an estimated 200,000 American soldiers already deployed in the region.

In other developments:

-Yemeni President Ali Abdullah Saleh criticized Saudi Arabia for inviting U.S.-led forces into the country and undermining Yemen's stability by forcing 500,000 Yemenis to leave Saudi Arabia, the New York Times reported. Saudi Arabia and Kuwait's exiled government have accused Saleh, who came to power 12 years ago, of supporting Saddam Hussein and describing him as ''an excellent Arab leader'' and ''a fine Arab nationalist.'' Saleh insisted he was neutral in the dispute which began when Iraq invaded Kuwait.

-Bulgaria's Parliament authorized the establishment of a medical team of volunteers to serve with the multinational military force in the gulf - only a day after Saddam Hussein promised to free 430 Bulgarians. Iraq has been releasing select groups of hostages, held in Iraq and occupied Kuwait as a human shield against Western attack, in what diplomats say is an effort to divide the international alliance against him.

-Cairo Radio said former Algerian President Ahmed Ben Bella was trying to secure the release of 70 Swiss hostages.

-Former Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone said he will travel to Baghdad next week to meet with Saddam Hussein in an effort to convince him to

release Japanese hostages. Former British Prime Minister Edward Heath secured the release of 54 British and American hostages this week after a personal appeal to the Iraqi president.

-The official Iraqi news agency INA published reports indicating France was now a great supporter of Baghdad even though French officials have said repeatedly the release would not effect the country's hard- line stand against the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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#90299u1540 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (OCT. 26) UPI - Pay and benefits in the Northeast are steadily falling behind inflation and raises are now also below the national average, the U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of Labor Statistics said Friday.

For the first time in six-and-a-half years, average pay increases in the nine Middle Atlantic and New England states during the year ended in September did not at least equal the national average. This represents a sharp reversal for a region that has led the nation in compensation growth for much of the past decade.

Averge compensation rose only 4.6 percent, but inflation climbed 6.6 percent over the year ended Sept. 30, the bureau said. The 4.6 percent rate was tied with the West for the slowest growth in the nation and compared with annual rates of 5 percent in the South and 5.2 percent in the Midwest.

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#90299u1561 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks - 9,480,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,851,764,175
Bonds - $2,770,000
1990 to date - $605,853,000

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#90299u1562 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2436.14	off	48.02	837.09	off	14.24	208.69	off	1.13
Thursday	2484.16	off	20.05	851.33	off	15.72	209.82	off	0.69
Week ago	2520.79	up	68.07	868.16	up	11.28	209.88	up	1.57
Month ago	2452.48	up	25.00	841.35	up	13.32	198.57	off	0.12

Year ago	2596.72	off	17.01	1190.43	off	14.76	215.86	up 0.19
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23	
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96	
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98	
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84	

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#90299u1563 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1055.0
Thursday	1059.7
Week ago	1059.7
Month ago	1087.6
Year ago	1089.0
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1052.3

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#90299u1564 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 26) UPI - Secretary of State Baker is expected to travel to Saudi Arabia to obtain permission for a military strike against Iraq... if it's deemed necessary. That's according to diplomatic sources who say the visit is a signal to Iraq that the United States is deadly serious about liberating Kuwait.

A French television network says Iraqi President Saddam Hussein sent messages to French President Mitterand and Soviet President Gorbachev saying he was ready to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. But a spokeswoman for Mitterand says the French leader did NOT receive any such message.

A three-man Israeli government committee released a report today blaming Moslem worshippers for the October 8th riot at Jerusalem's Temple Mount. The report says the Moslems were responsible for starting the incident that ended in the shooting deaths of at least 20 Palestinians. But it also criticized senior police officials for taking inadequate measures to prevent violence.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry won't have to relinquish his office... but a federal judge in the nation's capital today ordered Barry to serve a six-month jail term for his conviction on a misdemeanor cocaine possession charge. Barry also was slapped with a five-thousand- dollar fine. He can still run for a City Council seat in the November elections.

The budget negotiations are still ''creeping along'' on Capitol Hill. And Senate Republican leader Robert Dole warns that the long-sought agreement could fall short of the five-year, 500-BILLION-dollar goal in deficit cuts.

Dole says there are a number of major issues still to be resolved.

President Bush today wasted NO time in responding to the latest jibe from Democrats about the budget battle. Stumping for Republicans in Irvine, California, Bush charged that the Democratic-controlled Congress has been on ''an uncontrolled spending binge for years'' and that ''strong medicine'' is now needed to clean up the budget deficits.

At least 11 people are dead and several hundred others injured after a strong earthquake rocked northwestern Pakistan today. Officials say hundreds of homes were destroyed. The quake measured six-point-six on the Richter scale and was centered about 150 miles north of the western Pakistan city of Peshawar in the Hindu Kush mountains.

Vice President Quayle encountered protesters today when he spoke at his alma mater, DePauw University, in Greencastle, Indiana. About 100 people at the school protested against President Bush's veto of the civil rights bill. Quayle told the group that the bill was flawed because it would require job quotas, creating further discrimination in the future.

A Korean-owned grocery store was the target of an impromptu protest today after a black heart attack victim was removed from the store and left outside because employees and the owner thought he was drunk. The victim later died. The store owner says it was an unavoidable mistake. Community leaders fear that neighborhood residents could see racial overtones in the incident.

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#90299u1566 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.06	up 0.01
10 Public Utils	91.05	up 0.07
10 Industrials	87.08	off 0.05

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#90299u1573 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	291.39	off 1.39
High Technology	290.25	off 3.18
Capital Goods	313.22	off 1.15
Consumer Goods	361.10	off 1.76
Service	631.18	off 5.71
Retail	875.86	off 15.86
Financial	344.29	up 2.40
Natural Resources	223.64	off 0.11

Housing-Const-Land 243.94 off 3.79

There was a loss of 5 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	375.44	off 3.54
Mid Atlantic	381.95	off 1.77
No Central	370.15	off 0.09
So Atlantic	791.86	off 9.83
So Central	294.58	off 0.82
Mountain	109.82	up 0.04
Pacific	324.74	off 0.57
Foreign	220.61	off 0.89

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#90299u1577 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks	-	130,190,000 shares
1990 to date	-	32,963,552,282
Warrants	-	883,200
1990 to date	-	209,446,100

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#90299u1583 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 292.78, low 290.72, close 291.39, off 1.39.

There was a loss of 5 cents in the average share price.

Volume 9,480,000 shares, compared with 9, 690,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	3
New Lows	47
Advances	192
Declines	312
Unchanged	240
Total Issues	744

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Friday	-	$36,590,000
1990 to date	-	$9,137,550,000

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(OCT. 27) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

Baseball

The New York Yankees named Bill Bergesch assistant general manager. He has served two previous stints with the team, holding positions ranging from traveling secretary to vice president of baseball operations.

Boxing

Mexican challenger Ricardo Lopez knocked out Hideyuki Ohashi of Japan in the fifth round to win the World Boxing Council straw weight title.

Golf

Spaniards Jose Rivero and Jose-Maria Olazabal share the lead after two rounds of the $850,000 Volvo Masters in Valderrama, Spain. Rivero broke the course record by two strokes Friday with a 6-under-par 65.

Football

The World League of American Football, scheduled to begin intercontinental play in March, will hold two days of tryouts in London Nov. 16 and 18.

Hockey

The Toronto Maple Leafs, off to one of their worst starts, fired Coach Doug Carpenter. General Manager Floyd Smith said it would be several days before an interim coach is named. Assistant Tom Watt, a key candidate for the coaching job, ran practice Friday.

Horse Racing

Voters in Lorain, Ohio, will decide next month if they want casino in their city, a move that could lead to six other casinos in Ohio. The state's horse racing industry has contributed nearly $1 million to fight the casino issue. Casinos would pose competition to the tracks for the gambling dollar.

Law

Nate Colbert, all-time home run leader for the Padres, has been indicted in San Diego on eight counts of bank fraud and four counts of making false statements on loan applications. The U.S. Attorney's office said he fraudulently obtained $138,000 in loans from a San Diego County bank by listing real estate he did not own among his assets on four loan applications and understating the amount of money he owed on other land. ... David List,

the dentist for the Philadelphia 76ers, has pleaded not guilty to federal charges of cashing $29,000 of his mother's Social Security checks for years after she died. ... A former Prairie View A&M football coach and a former basketball coach have been linked to an ongoing financial investigation at the Texas school. The indictments of former football coach Haney Catchings and former basketball coach Jim DuPlantier bring to eight the number of people facing charges. Among those is Athletic Director Barbara Jacket, who recently was chosen to lead the U.S. women's track team for the 1992 Olympics.

Obituary

Johnny Sanders, former general manager of the San Diego Chargers, died at age 68 in San Diego, apparently from a heart attack. He spent 11 years as GM for Gene Klein and current Chargers owner Alex Spanos before leaving the team in 1987. He recently served as a consultant to the fledgling San Diego Gulls of the International Hockey League. ... Bennie Oosterbaan, a three-time University of Michigan football All-American and national championship coach, died in an Ann Arbor, Mich., nursing home at age 84.

Rowing

The United States will seek to end West Germany's dominance in the men's eights when the World Rowing Championships open Monday off the Australian island of Tasmania. A record 44 countries will take part. This marks the last year there will be an East German entry.

Tennis

Pete Sampras won a quarterfinal duel with practice partner Dave Wheaton 7-6 (7-3), 5-7, 6-4, to advance to the semifinals of the $1.1 million Stockholm Open. In another quarterfinal, Alexander Volkov of Soviet Union crushed Swedish wild card Nicklas Kulti 6-2, 6-1. ... Steffi Graf and Helena Sukova advanced to the semifinals of the $350,000 Midland Bank tournament in Brighton England. Graf beat Nathalie Tauziat 6-2, 6-4, and Sukova overwhelmed Sara Gomer 6-1, 6-1.

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#90299u1601 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 26) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Friday - 9,331,000

1990 to date - 2,072,190,000

The market closed lower.

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#90299u1603 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 8 points higher to 48 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	74.40	74.45	73.75	74.26	74.47
Mar	74.45	74.45	73.72	74.10	74.58
May	74.85	74.90	74.16	74.62	74.98
Jly	74.85	74.85	74.35	74.74	75.00
Oct	67.95	67.95	67.95	68.13	68.05
Dec	66.50	66.60	66.15	66.15	66.60
Mar	67.30	....	....	67.10	67.50

Estimated sales: 7,000 contracts
Open interest: 44,631 up 520
The World spot average: 71.04

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#90299u1621 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - The Senate approved and sent to the White House Friday a $268.2 billion ''new strategy'' military spending bill to meet the post-Cold War challenges to the United States.

The bill, which imposes the largest single-year cut in defense spending since the Vietnam War, was passed 80-17. The House gave its approval earlier this week 271-156.

The Senate also approved and sent to the White House a lean $288 billion bill that authorizes the expenditures in the spending bill and also authorizes some future projects that need seed spending. The vote was 80-17.

Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., said overall the compromise legislation was good and added it would ''start to implement a new strategy (to meet) a changing threat in the world.''

Nunn said the two bills inaugurate a ''stable long-term glide'' for reduction in troop strength, establishes a ''fly before we buy'' policy, shifts a greater share of the burden in the future to reserve forces, includes a solid and balanced strategic modernization program and shifts away from a forward deployment strategy.

The appropriations bill cuts back sharply on two of the administration's most ambitious weapons projects.

The bill provides $4.1 billion for the B-2 stealth bomber - the futurestic airplane that can penetrate radar to reach its target - $2.3 billion for procurement and $1.8 billion for research and development.

The compromise legislation does not tell the Air Force what to do with the $2.3 billion in procurement. The Senate is on record that the money should be used for two more planes but the House expects the money to be used for cost overruns on the first six planes authorized in previous years.

The bill includes $2.9 billion for the ''Star Wars'' air defense system, a cut of $1.8 billion in the administration request and the first time that Congress has appropriated less than $3 billion for the project.

Congress denied money for the proposed basing of MX missiles on railroad cars and established a ''pool'' of $687 million for research of the MX and Midgetman missiles.

The legislation includes $165 million for advance procurement and $238 million for research and development on the controversial V-22 Osprey, the vertical-horizontal takeoff plane designed to carry Marines into battle.

The most visible sign of the new military posture in the bill is a cut in troop levels by 78,500 and pulls 50,000 troops out of Europe. The measure also requires an annual 5,000 cut in the number of troops in Japan if Japan does not pay for housing U.S. forces.

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#90299u1624 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2466.09	2482.18	2429.21	2436.14	off 48.02
20 Trans	844.30	852.63	833.03	837.09	off 14.24
15 Utils	209.13	210.45	208.25	208.69	off 1.13
65 Stock	869.79	876.17	858.88	861.65	off 14.08

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	16,465,700	18,158,800
Trans	2,995,400	3,946,000
Utils	1,914,500	2,663,100
65 Stock	21,375,600	24,767,900

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.06	up 0.01
10 Public Utils	91.05	up 0.07
10 Industrials	87.08	off 0.05

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at

127.78 off 0.99.

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#90299u1637 10/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Friday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	49,218,868	63 3/8	off 1 3/8
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	34,851,972	30	unch
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	26,114,568	30 3/8	off 1/4
ADT Ltd	(ADTLY)	24,507,052	19 1/2	off 1 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	22,591,102	33 1/4	off 7/8
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	20,492,054	16 1/8	off 1/2
Conner Prphrls	(CNNR)	17,242,896	22 3/8	off 3/4
Autodesk	(ACAD)	16,302,666	38 1/2	off 3/8
Medco Contmnt	(MCCS)	16,079,841	27 1/4	off 3/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	15,379,906	38 1/2	off 3/4

Composite Index 146.59 off 2.44

NMS volume 77,134,504 shares.

Advances	516
Declines	962
Unchanged	1,312
Total	2,790

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#90299u1651 10/26/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - House and Senate negotiators grasped at a tax and spending agreement that remained just out of reach Friday as black lawmakers threatened to vote against the package to protest the defeat of civil rights legislation.

An accord aimed at reducing the federal budget deficit by $500 billion over the next five years, with $40 billion in savings the first year, appeared to be coalescing on several key issues.

However, a final deal that could win both support from the administration and enough Democratic votes to clear the House continued to elude congressional leaders Friday.

Signaling a potential new setback, Senate Republicans raised questions about whether the package under negotiation would achieve the level of savings the talks are designed to produce.

Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, worked until 3 a.m. EDT Friday before reaching a tentative agreement on tax increases.

But their deal still faced the scrutiny of other tax negotiators before an overall budget package could be completed.

About 30 Republican House members, including GOP leaders, gathered Friday for what Rep. Bill Frenzel, D-Minn., described afterward as a ''pep meeting'' by Republicans generally ''sympathetic'' to passing a budget package.

Frenzel, the ranking GOP member of the Ways and Means Committee, said he doubted more than 60 of the 175 Republicans in the House would ultimately vote for whatever deficit-reduction deal emerged.

Most House Republicans have rebelled against the budget talks because of their opposition to higher taxes, requiring the bipartisan leadership to rally broad support among Democrats to win passage of the legislation.

Complicating that effort, members of the Congressional Black Caucus announced Friday they would vote against a deficit-reduction accord to protest Bush's veto of a major civil rights bill and the narrow Senate vote to sustain his rejection.

The ''overwhelming majority'' of the 23-member caucus planned to take part in the revolt in an attempt to force reconsideration of the civil rights veto, which the Senate failed to override by one vote on Wednesday, said Rep. Ron Dellums, D-Calif., caucus chairman.

''The one last train leaving (Congress this session) is the budget,'' Dellums said, adding that the effort to override the veto ''should be equal to the Herculean effort they're putting into the budget.''

Sixteen members of the caucus appeared with Dellums for a news conference, and more are expected to join him, he said.

House Speaker Tom Foley, who met with the black caucus members for about an hour Friday, said earlier in the day he was confident of garnering the Democratic votes in the House necessary for passage.

Meanwhile, Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas raised the possibility that the package under discussion might not yield the deficit reduction negotiators have promised.

''We're losing some of our savings in the last days of the budget negotiations '' Dole said. ''Some are saying we can't reduce spending. ... If we're going to reduce cuts in spending, we may not wind up with this magic $500 billion in

five years.''

Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., the ranking GOP member of the Senate Budget Committee, said, ''I think a lot of us are balking at the fact that they don't have enough savings in this package.''

Asked how far short of the $500 billion target the package sat, Domenici said, ''A minimum of $10 billion.''

But Domenici said the problems are ''resolvable.''

White House chief of staff John Sununu also stressed the importance of spending cuts.

''We're looking at the package and reviewing it,'' Sununu said. ''It's got to have savings in it. You can't have deficit reduction without savings.''

Congressional leaders from both parties arranged to meet with White House officials later Friday in a meeting that Dole said could determine the fate of the package.

Dole said disagreement lingered over a proposed new tax rate of 31 percent for the wealthiest Americans and questions of how to scale back deductions and personal exemptions for upper-income earners.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Unisys Corp	11,006,700	2 1/4	off 1 1/8
Citicorp	6,515,800	11 1/8	off 1/2
Merrill Lynch	2,294,000	17 7/8	off 1 3/4
Genl Electric	1,986,900	50 1/2	off 3/4
Chase Manhtan	1,964,900	11	off 1/4
Mfrs Hanover	1,616,300	17	off 3
TECO Energy	1,426,700	29 7/8	unch
Amer Express	1,409,200	18 5/8	off 1 1/8
MNC Fncl	1,352,400	3 7/8	off 1/4
Security Pac	1,344,200	18 5/8	off 1 5/8
Philip Morris	1,321,400	46 5/8	off 7/8
Unisys Cp pfA	1,319,300	6 3/4	off 3 1/8
Genl Motor	1,285,900	37 1/4	off 1
Aetna Life	1,262,200	31	up 1/4
IBM Corp	1,249,100	106 7/8	off 1 1/4

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#90299u1659 10/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Pall Corp	499,100	27 7/8	off 5/8
Fruit of Loom	425,400	7 1/4	off 1/4
Wang Labs Inc B	421,600	2 3/4	off 3/8
Conquest Explor	391,200	1 3/8	unch
Contl Air Hldgs	386,300	3 3/4	off 1/4
Go Video Inc	341,700	6 3/4	off 1/2
Denmark K wt	280,900	17 7/8	up 7/8
Paine W Grp wtB	272,500	8 3/4	up 5/8
Hasbro Inc	224,000	13 1/4	up 1/2
MSR Exploration	204,700	3 3/8	up 1/8

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KHARTOUM, SUDAN (OCT. 26) UPI - Less than one day after a government official said there was no famine problem in Sudan, Africa's largest country appealed Friday for immediate food assistance of 75,000 tons, a senior U.N. official said.

Trevor Page, World Food Program Director for Sudan and acting special representative of the U.N. Secretary General, said the government had sent letters to embassies of would-be donor countries requesting the food.

Western aid workers said at least 1 million people were under threat in the north of the country alone.

Thousands were moving towards Khartoum, searching for food, they said.

In the south, where civil war has raged since 1983, the situation could be far worse in some places because of supply difficulties.

At a camp of sack-cloth tents in a wasteland of dust, rubbish and blasting heat barely five miles outside Khartoum, displaced southerners told journalists of the appalling conditions they had fled and the desperate problems they faced now.

''We get water once a day,'' said John Laad, a 30-year old Nuer tribesman who walked for five months to reach the capital. ''I cannot get well. There is no food, no clothes. I have not any job.''

Children with bleeding gums and thin bodies played nearby in the crushing sun.

Page said a food crisis threatened to strike before harvests could be gathered in November.

''In the interim, and because of the acute food scarcity that prevails, we have, in consultation with the World Food Program, determined that the urgent delivery from abroad of 75,000 tons of dura (sorghum), millet, maize or wheat is required for distribution to those affected by drought,'' the letter said.

It said the WFP had already delivered 19,000 tons of wheat to Sudan and was expecting another shipment of 6,000 tons.

Sudan, which suffered a crippling famine in 1985, faces severe problems throughout the country in Africa.

This is because of inadequate rains in August and September, a war in the south, non-existent food stocks, aid cuts from Saudi Arabia over Khartoum's support of Iraq in the Gulf crisis, and economic fragmentation resulting from that crisis.

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the U.N. earlier this month said between five and six million people in the east African country could starve later this year if timely food pledges are not made.

On Thursday, Agriculture Minister Ahmed Ali Ginaif said the situation was under control and could be dealt with using existing government resources.

Western aid workers, who asked not to be identified, said that while the government's planting programs aimed at self-reliance were laudable, the minister's optimism was misplaced.

''I think this time it is worse than in 1984 because there is no food at all in the country,'' said one worker with a Western charity group.

Page said, however, that President Gen. Omar al Bashir shared his worries but rightly did not want to launch a major appeal until after a further FAO harvest assessment Nov. 10-13.

Prices of 200-pound sorghum bags have soared in northern Kordofan, a semi-arid area west of Khartoum, from a normal $12.50 to between $100-$125, Page said.

In the war-torn south of the country, one bag can feed the average family for a month.

Page said harvests, when they came, would not be disastrous. In some areas 100 percent harvests were expected. In others, there would be no yield.

''The problem is, you can't eat the food in the fields,'' he said. ''What we

have got to do is to manage from now until the harvest is on the market. The earliest date for that is mid-December.''

The WFP has already diverted 19,000 tons of wheat aid destined for China to Port Sudan and expects to receive 6,000 more tons early next week, he explained.

He said Sudan needed to find another 50,000 tons within three weeks.

Only 10 miles west of Khartoum, Page said, carcasses of cows and donkeys ''litter the sand.'' People are moving from famine areas to try to sell their livestock in the capital.

''I haven't seen a sight like that since the so-called Great Sahelian Drought which devastated a belt of Africa from Chad to Mauritania,'' Page said.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	220.00	220.00	216.50	217.10	222.40
Mar	221.30	221.80	218.50	219.35	224.75
Jun	....	....	....	221.85	227.75

Previous day volume: 66 contracts.

Open interest: 1,255 off 1

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	309.20	310.50	305.75	306.25	311.40
Mar	311.50	313.05	308.40	308.85	314.10
Jun	....	315.75	311.00	311.50	316.80
Sep	....	318.50	313.50	314.00	319.30

Today's estimated volume: 46,517 contracts.

Open interest: 151,367 off 258

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	168.40	169.30	166.60	166.85	169.80
Mar	170.00	170.15	168.10	168.25	171.25
Jun	171.30	171.30	171.30	169.60	172.65

Open interest: 5,459 up 85

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.

Nov	517.50	518.25	510.50	510.85	520.25
Dec	518.00	520.00	512.75	512.90	522.25
Jan	....	....	....	515.05	524.35

Estimated volume 3,841 contracts.
Open interest: 6,776 up 495

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#90299u1669 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 26) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5850	off 175
Penn Pwr Lht pf	79	off 13 1/2
Del Val Fncl	2 1/4	off 11 3/4
CapCiti/ABC	407	up 6 7/8
Nicor pf	43 1/2	up 5 1/8
Fst Cit Tx pfB	11 1/2	off 4
Wash Post	179	off 4
Wells Fargo	47 7/8	off 3 5/8
Digital Eqpt	49 5/8	off 3 3/8
Chase Man pfC	66	off 3 1/4

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#90299u1675 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 26) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	3
New lows	47

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	192	3,237,900
Declines	312	4,506,300
Unchanged	240	1,735,800
Total	744	9,480,000

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(OCT. 26) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	6	12	25
New lows	141	101	98

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume

Advances	371	14,218,300
Declines	1,154	106,221,400
Unchanged	450	9,750,300
Total	1,975	130,190,000

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#90299u1681 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	364.84	216.44	139.48	20.09	310.17
Opening	362.72	214.59	138.84	19.81	308.24
11 a.m.	361.35	214.01	138.67	19.62	307.07
Noon	362.52	214.66	139.11	19.68	308.06
1 p.m.	361.86	214.21	139.13	19.56	307.52
2 p.m.	360.77	214.06	138.95	19.47	306.62
3 p.m.	360.39	213.78	138.85	19.39	306.25
Close	358.50	212.84	138.23	19.32	304.71
Change	off 6.34	off 3.60	off 1.25	off 0.77	off 5.46

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#90299u1686 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - Relief supplies are trickling into Monrovia, Liberia, as fighting in that nation's civil war moves from the capital where thousands lay dead and dying from combat, disease and famine, an official said Friday.

The State Department's Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance estimates 10,000 to 13,000 people were killed in fighting that began 10 months ago as a rebellion against the government of former Liberian President Samuel Doe.

Andrew Natsios, director of the foreign assistance office, painted a bleak picture of life in the African nation's largest city.

''The situation in Monrovia is worse than anybody thought. ''Epidemics are raging, with 50 people dying every day from typhoid, typhus and cholera,'' said Natsios. ''There has been no water for ''ios. ''

A recent estimate showed that 80 percent of the approximately 200,000 people in Monrovia are suffering from malnutrition. ''It's horrendous,'' he said.

Natsios said health problems are complicated by thousands of unburied corpses from the war that raged through city streets.

Now that the main rebel groups have been pushed out of the city and out of

mortar range of Monrovia's harbor by western African military forces, the first small supply ships arrived this week carrying about 2, 700 tons of food.

Natsios also said the first outside relief workers, including Americans, are venturing into the capital.

Priorities include burying the dead and restoring electricity and water to the city.

Relief organizations, including some from western Europe, will begin to try to establish food supplies, together with handing out seeds for next year's crops.

Because the shifting tides of war can move back into the capital at almost any time, Natsios said, it is necessary to move quickly to take advantage of the lull in the fighting.

So far, the United States has pledged 73,000 tons of food, part of a total aid commitment of $47.5 million. European countries have pledged $11.4 million.

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#90299u1688 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended October 26, 1990.

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	297,356,000	23 1/2	15	16 1/8	off 1/2
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	263,895,904	66 1/4	61 3/4	63 3/8	off 1 3/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	245,119,712	36 1/8	32 1/4	33 1/4	off 7/8
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	212,523,792	31 1/2	29 5/8	30	unch
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	207,287,328	31 3/8	27 3/4	30 3/8	off 1/4
Conner Prphrls	(CNNR)	188,530,320	23 7/8	20 1/2	22 3/8	off 3/4
Amgen	(AMGN)	119,629,656	47 3/4	43 1/2	45 3/4	off 7/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	107,849,656	41 1/2	38 3/8	38 1/2	off 3/4
Liz Claiborne	(LIZC)	95,454,952	27	23 1/2	23 5/8	off 1 5/8
Tele-Com Inc A	(TCOM)	72,521,560	10 3/4	9 5/8	10 1/8	off 1/8

NMS volume 540,216,500 shares.

Advances	894
Declines	1,152
Unchanged	740
Total	2,786

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#90299u1689 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	334.36	off	5.38	337.36	452.76
Industrial	357.48	off	5.97	361.97	438.55
Finance	327.98	off	5.58	335.34	532.59
Insurance	387.24	off	6.16	385.02	532.12
Utility	458.68	off	5.05	448.13	723.59
Bank	242.63	off	1.25	245.79	437.61
Transport	378.33	off	8.24	380.20	469.73

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 146.59 off 2.44

Industrial Index 141.44 off 2.46

NASDAQ-100 Index 348.42 off 6.26

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#90299u1691 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	168.52	166.71	166.71	off 2.80
Industrial	209.22	206.85	206.85	off 3.59
Transport	130.56	129.51	129.51	off 2.40
Utility	88.05	87.60	87.60	off 0.72
Finance	107.17	105.27	105.27	off 2.76

Equivalent to a loss of 49 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 130,190,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending October 26.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	89.17	89.19	88.98	89.06	off 0.14
10 Utils	91.33	91.38	90.93	91.05	off 0.46

10 Indus	87.01	87.13	86.96	87.08	up 0.19

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending October 26:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	369.89	358.50	358.50	off 8.92
20 Trans	225.01	212.84	212.84	off 8.87
40 Utils	141.29	138.23	138.23	off 2.19
40 Fncl	20.57	19.32	19.32	off 0.95
500 Stock	314.76	304.71	304.71	off 7.77

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#90299u1701 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended October 26:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	171.91	166.71	166.71	off 3.69
Industrial	213.52	206.85	206.85	off 4.79
Transportation	137.92	129.51	129.51	off 5.87
Utilities	89.02	87.60	87.60	off 0.93
Finance	109.77	105.27	105.27	off 3.13

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#90299u1704 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended October 26:

High	Low	Last	Net change
293.84	290.72	291.39	off 2.32

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#90299u1706 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended October 26:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2498.27	2535.40	2429.21	2436.14	off 84.65
20 Trans	867.79	894.79	833.03	837.09	off 31.07
15 Utils	209.44	212.02	208.25	208.69	off 1.19
65 Stocks	882.55	898.67	858.88	861.55	off 25.87
20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)					
	89.17	89.19	88.98	89.06	off 0.14
Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)					
	128.05	128.82	127.78	127.78	up 0.19

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#90299u1707 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended October 26, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Citicorp	23,155,500	13	10 3/4	11 1/8	off 2 1/8
Unisys Corp	15,149,800	3 7/8	1 3/4	2 1/4	off 1 1/2
Chase Manhtan	12,088,400	12 5/8	10 5/8	11	off 1 1/4
Genl Electric	11,041,700	54 5/8	50 1/8	50 1/2	off 5
Philip Morris	8,456,000	48 7/8	46 1/2	46 5/8	off 1 3/4
IBM Corp	7,649,500	109 1/4	106 1/2	106 7/8	off 3/4
AT&T Company	6,244,500	34 1/8	32 5/8	33 3/8	off 1/8
Amer Express	6,102,700	20 5/8	18 1/2	18 5/8	off 1/4
MCA Corp	6,079,800	59 1/2	48	56 1/2	off 1 1/4
Wal-Mart Strs	5,754,800	29 1/8	26	26 1/4	off 1 1/2
PepsiCo Inc	5,747,400	25 1/4	23 3/4	23 3/4	off 1 1/4
Genl Motor	5,502,400	39 3/8	37 1/4	37 1/4	off 5/8
Westhinghs El	5,501,100	26 1/4	24 1/4	25 1/2	off 3/4
Eastman Kodak	5,490,300	40 7/8	38	38 1/2	off 7/8
Bristol MS	5,414,400	63 3/8	60 1/2	61 3/4	off 1/4
Fedl Natl Mtge	5,379,700	29 5/8	27 5/8	27 7/8	unch
Exxon Corp	5,284,400	50	47 1/4	47 1/4	off 2 5/8
Coca-Cola Co	5,230,300	46 1/8	44	44 1/4	off 1 1/2
Waste Mgmt	5,069,200	34 1/2	31 7/8	33	up 7/8
Ford Motor	x-4,920,900	32 3/8	29 3/4	29 3/4	off 1 5/8

x-ex-dividend.

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#90299u1708 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended October 26.

	30 Indus			20 Transp			15 Utils		
Monday	2516.09	off	4.70	883.69	up	15.53	210.89	up	1.01
Tuesday	2494.06	off	22.03	875.00	off	8.69	209.95	off	0.94
Wednesday	2504.21	up	10.15	867.05	off	7.95	210.51	up	0.56
Thursday	2484.16	off	20.05	851.33	off	15.72	209.82	off	0.69
Friday	2436.14	off	48.02	837.09	off	14.24	208.69	off	1.13
Net Change		off	84.65		off	31.07		off	1.19

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended October 26 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	152,652,430	164,981,110	1,216,100	1, 191,000
Tuesday	146,287,540	149,582,530	1,021,200	941, 500
Wednesday	149,292,290	161,258,600	752,600	1, 211,700
Thursday	141,461,600	204,112,900	553,000	1,398, 200
Friday	130,190,000	221,714,890	883,200	1,981, 100
Total	719,883,860	901,650,030	4,426,100	6,723, 500

	Bonds	
	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 38,779,000	$ 44,959,000
Tuesday	$ 38,843,000	$ 36,704,000
Wednesday	$ 47,794,000	$ 38,066,000
Thursday	$ 34,522,000	$ 44,503,000
Friday	$ 36,590,000	$ 41,853,000
Total	$196,538,000	$206,085,000

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#90299u1721 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 26) UPI - Largest net changes amoung NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended October 26, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5850	off 250
CapCiti/ABC	407	off 33
Atl Rchfld pfA	885	off 25 1/4
Heinz H J pf	300	up 15
Penn Pwr Lht pf	79	off 12

Del Val Fncl	2 1/4	off	11 3/4
CBS Inc pf	107 1/2	off	11
Wash Post	179	off	10
Ralston Purina	99 5/8	off	7 5/8
Monarch Cap pfA	31	up	7 1/2
Fedl Express	34 1/2	off	5 1/8
Nacco Chemical	25	off	5
Genl Electric	50 1/2	off	5
Hitachi Ltd	93	off	4 7/8
CBS Inc	154 1/8	off	4 7/8

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Stock exchange sales for the week ended October 26.

New York Stock Exchange: Stocks - 719, 883,860 shares, compared with 901,650,030 a week earlier and with 875,051,080 the year before. Warrants - 4,426,100 compared with 6,723,500 a week earlier and with 6,392,400 the year before. Bonds - $196,538,000 compared with $206,085,000 a week earlier and with $212,673,000 the year before.

American Stock Exchange: Stocks - 52,916, 215 shares, compared with 56,890,405 a week earlier and with 59,647,355 the year before. Bonds - $16,796,000 compared with $19,667, 000 a week earlier and with $13,140,000 the year before.

Midwest Stock Exchange: Stocks - 43,448, 000 shares, compared with 47,250,000 a week earlier and with 58,011,000 the year before.

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#90299u1724 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Thu	Fri	Thu
Argntn austral	.000182	.000179	5502.00	5590.00
Australia dlr	.7808	.7827	1.2807	1.2776
Austria schill	.0943	.0943	11.61	11.61
Belgium franc-c	.0321	.0322	31.20	31.09
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0102	.0104	97.97	96.52
Britain pound	1.9550	1.9510	.5115	.5126
Britain 1-mo	1.9453	1.9414	.5141	.5151

Britain 3-mo	1.9278	1.9237	.5187	.5198
Britain 6-mo	1.9056	1.9010	.5248	.5260
Canada dollar	.8578	.8576	1.1658	1.1660
Canada 1-mo	.8546	.8544	1.1701	1.1704
Canada 3-mo	.8487	.8487	1.1783	1.1783
Canada 6-mo	.8408	.8404	1.1894	1.1899
Chile peso-f	.003373	.003385	296.48	295.40
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001887	.001889	530.00	529.50
Denmark krne	.1730	.1737	5.7805	5.7555
Ecudr sucre-z	.001193	.001195	838.50	836.50
Egypt pound	.3653	.3653	2.7375	2.7375
Finlnd mrkka	.2772	.2789	3.6080	3.5850
France franc	.1972	.1969	5.0700	5.0790
France 1-mo	.1969	.1966	5.0781	5.0866
France 3-mo	.1963	.1963	5.0940	5.0939
France 6-mo	.1953	.1950	5.1200	5.1269
Greece drach	.006596	.006638	151.61	150.65
Hollnd guildr	.5858	.5848	1.7070	1.7100
HongKong dlr	.1285	.1285	7.7835	7.7845
India rupee	.0557	.0557	17.96	17.96
Indo'sa rupia	.000540	.000540	1853.00	1852.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7665	1.7720	0.5661	0.5643
Israel shekel	.5084	.5043	1.9670	1.9830
Italy lira	.000882	.000880	1134.00	1136.00
Japan yen	.007803	.007806	128.15	128.10
Japan 1-mo	.007803	.007806	128.15	128.10
Japan 3-mo	.007799	.007809	128.22	128.05
Japan 6-mo	.007791	.007722	128.36	129.50
Jordan dinar	1.5649	1.5649	.6390	.6390
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000345	.000345	2899.00	2899.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6095	.6085	1.6407	1.6434
Norway krne	.1698	.1706	5.8900	5.8610
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.56	21.56
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	431,430	433,400
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007520	.007576	132.98	132.00
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5833	.5863	1.7144	1.7055
S.Africa rand	.3950	.3965	2.5319	2.5220
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010537	.010549	94.90	94.80
Sweden krona	.1778	.1785	5.6245	5.6025
Switzrl franc	.7806	.7806	1.2810	1.2810

Switzrl 1-mo	.7806	.7806	1.2810	1.2810
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7805	.7806	1.2813	1.2811
Switzrl 6-mo	.7798	.7798	1.2824	1.2823
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.79	26.80
Turkey lira	.000367	.000367	2723.00	2727.00
UAE dirham	.2731	.2731	3.6610	3.6610
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0204	.0204	49.02	49.02
Germany mark	.6598	.6588	1.5155	1.5180
Germany 1-mo	.6597	.6570	1.5158	1.5220
Germany 3-mo	.6589	.6502	1.5176	1.5380
Germany 6-mo	.6575	.6361	1.5210	1.5720
Yugosl dinar	.0961	.0967	10.41	10.34

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	28.45-28.50	29.35-29.40
North Sea Brent	33.00-33.05	33.70-33.80
West Texas Intermed	32.60-32.65	34.05-34.10
Light Louisiana Sweet	33.55-34.65	34.45-34.55
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	96.50-97.00	99.85-100.10
No. 2 Heating oil	86.75-87.00	89.65-89.90
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	85.75-86.00	85.50-85.75
No. 2 Heating oil	85.90-86.00	88.45-88.70

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Largest net changes amoung AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended October 26, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.

Maxxam Inc	36	off 8 1/2
Ford Canada	107	off 5
Awericus GE pr	46 1/2	off 4 1/4
HAL Inc	8	off 4
Guard Bancorp	12 5/8	up 3 1/2
Seaboard Corp	112	up 3 1/4
Air & Water Tech	18	up 3 1/8
Frischs Restr	13 3/4	off 3
Crown Cntrl B	18	off 3
EAL pfD	6	off 3

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(OCT. 26) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.92	8.02	8.74
91-day Treasury bills	7.37	7.43	7.75
182-day Treasury bills	7.48	7.51	7.60
1-year Treasury bills	7.43	7.47	7.35
3-year Treasury notes	7.95	7.94	7.93
7-year Treasury notes	8.49	8.48	7.95
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.77	8.75	7.94
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.25	9.25	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.85	9.85	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.18	9.21	8.97
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.40	9.41	8.97
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.48	9.49	9.15
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.46	9.47	9.15

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Friday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	101,496,600
Advances	630
Declines	1,152

Unchanged	2,442
Total	4,224

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#90299u1763 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEWARK, NJ (OCT. 26) UPI - The former chairman of a textile company whose collapse cost shareholders more than $100 million was indicted Friday on racketeering and securities fraud charges for "cooking the books."

Michael Weinstein, 49, of Boca Raton, Fla., was expected to be formally charged in Florida, then face extradition to New Jersey, said U.S. Attorney Michael Chertoff, who office has been investigating the demise of Coated Sales Inc.

The federal grand jury also charged Weinstein with conspiracy, mail and wire fraud, and interstate transport of stolen proceeds for offenses that spanned June 1984 to June 1988.

"When dishonesty roams the board room, the victims are the depositors and shareholders," Chertoff said. "Woody Guthrie once said that a man can rob with a gun or a fountain pen. This case is an example of how effective the pen has been," he said.

Richard Breeden, chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, said the fraud was designed to boost the firm's earnings by using false invoices to hike income.

"We allege gross misconduct," he said in announcing that the SEC would file a civil suit against Weinstein and four former Coated Sales executives who previously pleaded guilty to participating in the fraud scheme. With 1987 net sales reported to be more than $90 million, Coated Sales was considered to be one of the fastest-growing stocks.

"They cooked the books, participated in a deliberate fraud, and falsified records," Breeden said. "The magnitude of the fraud was stunning. Earnings were overstated by over $50 million." Chertoff said authorities would move to seize Weinstein's Florida home, 43-foot yacht, and several custom and classic automobiles.

Coated Sales had been a major textile converting firm specializing in treating fabrics for industrial use. It produced the laminated sailcloth used by the U.S. entry "Stars and Stripes" which won the 1987 America's Cup.

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#90299u1773 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 26) UPI - Euro Disneyland, the Disney theme park now under

construction outside Paris, received a major boost Friday with the announcement that it would accelerate development plans after the park's scheduled opening in the spring of 1992.

The announcement came in a meeting in London between financial analysts and executives of Euro Disneyland S.A., the French company that is building and will operate year the Magic Kingdom theme park on a 5, 000-acre tract. Euro Disneyland, which will feature 30 rides when it opens, is 49 percent owned by Walt Disney Co.

''We are bullish on Europe long term,'' said John Forgeson, senior vice president and chief financial officer of Euro Disneyland S.A. ''We are respsonding to our demand within the European market for Disney resorts destination product by accelerating the development plans of future phases.''

Forgeson did not reveal how fast the future phases would come on line.

Robert Fitzpatrick, president of Euro Disneyland, said at the meeting, ''Our confidence in the project is even greater than before.''

Entertainment analyst Paul Marsh of Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards in Los Angeles said the announcement represented a ''strong vote of confidence'' in the project.

''The announcement is impressive because, if anything, Disney has a reputation for good planning,'' Marsh said.

Marsh also said that the announcement does not signify that Euro Disneyland would open prior to its scheduled debut.

Fitzpatrick said at the meeting that there were currently 1,200 employees working at the site, 20 miles outside Paris, adding that the number would grow to 11,200 by the time it opens.

The company had announced in May that it was going to expand the capacity of Euro Disneyland by 15 percent, It also raised the cost estimates for the first phase of the project to $3.3 billion from $3 billion.

It said Friday that the total budget for the next phase, which included five hotels, an entertainment center and a lake promenade, would be about $1.2 billion.

Euro Disneyland will be Disney's fourth theme park complex.

The company's flagship Disneyland in Anaheim, Calif., debuted 35 years ago and it has since opened the Walt Disney World complex in Florida, which includes the theme park of the same name, Epcot Center and Disney-MGM Studios, and Tokyo Disneyland, which opened in 1983.

Disney is also planning to open a West Coast theme park by the end of the decade and is considering sites adjacent to Disneyland and in Long Beach, next to the legendary Queen Mary luxury liner and Howard Hughes' Spruce Goose airplane. The announcement on which site will be selected was expected next year.

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CONCORD, N.H. (OCT. 26) UPI - Democratic Senate candidate John Durkin angrily accused his Republican opponent, Rep. Bob Smith, Friday of accepting support from ''Japs'' and being a Japanese agent.

''The same Japs who planned and carried out a sneak attack on Dec. 7, 1941 are now planning a sneak attack on the voters of New Hampshire on Nov. 6, 1990,'' Durkin said at a Statehouse news conference.

'''Yokohama Bob' does not belong in the U.S. Senate,'' he said.

Durkin, a former one-term senator, was referring to $317,200 paid by Auto Dealers and Drivers for Free Trade, a political action committee, to buy television commercials to support Smith's campaign.

A Smith campaign spokeswoman deplored Durkin's language, and pointed out that the campaign has no control over independent expenditures by PACs.

A directory of PACs says the auto dealers' organization is composed of Japanese auto manufacturers and its purpose is to promote legislation and regulatory agency decisions that help trade with Japan.

''Here we have the Japs, they buy Rockefeller Center and are trying to turn the Rockettes into Geishas,'' said Durkin. ''That's bad enough. But here they're trying to buy a U.S. Senate seat.''

Durkin, who was visibly angry as he made his charges, brusquely denied that his use of the term ''Jap'' was racist.

''Is that a racist comment?'' he asked. ''It's not a racist comment. It's true.''

Smith, a third-term conservative Republican, could not be reached for immediate comment, but campaign spokeswoman Lisa Stocklan said, ''Congressman Smith believes that John Durkin's comments are unfortunate.''

''We prefer to run our own campaign; however, we have no control over an independent expenditure,'' she added. ''It is not under the control of the Smith campaign.''

Durkin, who served in the Senate from 1975 to 1980, accused the Japanese of spending $50 million a year to influence American trade policy to ensure that they have ready access to American markets. At the same time, he said, they maintain barriers to American companies that want to do business with Japan.

He said Americans are losing jobs because they are not fighting back.

''They would like to make New Hampshire the 'Land of the Rising Sun' and Bob Smith is their chosen foreign agent to carry that out,'' he said. ''To me that is obscene.''

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#90299u1793 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Moody's Investor Service Friday downgraded all the long-term debt and preferred stock ratings of Unisys Corp. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Unisys Finance Corp., citing the computer maker's continued financial problems.

"Unisys' prospects for significant, sustainable profit improvements are low, and ... the company's weak cash flow and poor fixed charge coverage are likely to continue into the foreseeable," Moody's said.

The downgrade came a day after the Blue Bell, Penn.-based Unisys reported a third quarter loss of $356.8 million on revenues of $2.4 billion. The company also predicted the loss of about 5,000 in virtually all departments. Unisys took a special pretax charge of $181 million to cover the planned reductions.

In addition, W. Michael Blumenthal, the architect of the growth strategy that is now causing the company so much trouble, resigned as chairman and as a director. President and Chief Executive Officer James A. Unruh is the company's new chairman.

Moody's said it lowered its ratings on Unisys' senior debt to Ba3 from Ba1; convertible subordinated debt to B2 from Ba3; preferred stock to b3 from b1; and its shelf registration to (P)Ba3 from (P)Ba1. Unisys Finance Corp. had its senior notes downgraded to Ba3 from Ba1.

Moody's said any anticipated improvements in the company's financial position could be offset by a deterioration in the global business climate for computers. The downgrade also followed a lowering Thursday of Unisys' credit ratings by Standard and Poors Corp.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 26) UPI - The Chicago Bulls and WGN-TV Friday filed an

antitrust suit against the National Basketball Association, challenging the right of the NBA to limit the number of games that can be telecast by so-called ''superstations.''

The NBA Board of Governors voted earlier this year to reduce from 25 to 20 the number of games that can be carried by superstations - those whose signal is picked up by an unaffiliated satellite common carrier that markets the signal to cable operators.

The suit filed in U.S. District Court accuses the NBA of intending to ban superstations from telecasting any games by 1995. The suit says the NBA plan ''unlawfully restricts competition and will harm consumers.'' It cites Bulls fans as those most likely to be harmed because they will be unable to see a full schedule of the team's games on free television.

The suit seeks to prevent implementation of the NBA's decision for the 1990-91 season. WGN's contract with the Bulls provides for 25 telecasts per season.

''We are confident that the courts will rule that the NBA's anti- superstation restrictions are unlawful, just as similar restrictions on college football telecasts were declared illegal by the U.S. Supreme Court several years ago,'' said Dennis J. FitzSimons, WGN-TV's vice president and general manager.

In New York, the league referred the question to its legal department, which had no immediate comment.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - Bond Calendar - New Issues Scheduled for Public Sale

U.S. GOVERNMENT (Week of Oct. 28)
Oct. 29: $19.6 billion three- and six-month Treasury bills (subject to U.S. Congress passage of new debt ceiling).
Oct. 30: $12.08 billion two-year Treasury notes (subject to new debt ceiling).
Oct. 31: Announcement of estimated $34 billion November quarterly refunding.

TAX-EXEMPT NOTES & BONDS (Week of Oct. 28) - Courtesy of The Bond Buyer
(Issues are to be negotiated unless otherwise noted.)
$61 million Bexar County (Texas) Health Facilities Development Corp. revenue bonds.
$90 million New York State Dormitory Authority revenue bonds.
$54 million North Carolina Medical Care Commission revenue bonds.
$160 million Triboro Bridge and Tunnel Authority (New York) refunding bonds.
$97 million Georgia general obligation bonds (competitive bid).
$89 million New Jersey Waste Water Treatment Trust revenue bonds (competitive bid).
$210 million bonds and $210 bond anticipation notes Maryland Department of

Transportation revenue notes (competitive bid).
$65 million Glendale, Calif., Redevelopment Agency revenue bonds (competitive bid).
$120 million Greater Chicago Metropolitian Water Reclamation District (competitive bid).

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(OCT. 27) UPI - LIST: MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL FREE AGENTS

(Players who have filed for free agency with the Major League Baseball Players Association. Players have until midnight Nov. 4 to declare free agency.)

American League

Baltimore Orioles - Joe Price, Mickey Tettleton, Ron Kittle.

Boston Red Sox - Tom Brunansky, Mike Boddicker, Danny Heep.

California Angels - Max Venable, Donnie Hill.

Chicago White Sox - Phil Bradley.

Cleveland Indians - Candy Maldonado.

Detroit Tigers - Dan Petry, Edwin Nunez, Darnell Coles, John Shelby, Larry Sheets, Gary Ward.

Kansas City Royals - Steve Farr, Andy McGaffigan, Gerald Perry, Bob Boone, Willie Wilson, Steve Crawford, Steve Jeltz.

Milwaukee Brewers - Rob Deer, Bill Krueger, Ted Higuera, Paul Mirabella.

Minnesota Twins - John Moses, Randy Bush.

New York Yankees - Tim Leary, Dave Righetti, Jeff Robinson,

Oakland Athletics - Ron Hassey, Willie McGee, Jamie Quirk, Bob Welch, Willie Randolph.

Seattle Mariners - Matt Young.

Texas Rangers - Charlie Hough, Craig McMurtry.

Toronto Blue Jays - Bud Black, John Candelaria, Rance Mulliniks.

National League

Atlanta Braves - Jim Presley.

Chicago Cubs - Curtis Wilkerson.

Cincinnati Reds - Bill Doran, Danny Jackson, Tom Browning, Rick Mahler.

Houston Astros - Franklin Stubbs, Glenn Wilson, Terry Puhl, Juan Agosto, Rich Gedman.

Los Angeles Dodgers - Kirk Gibson, Juan Samuel, Rick Dempsey.

Montreal Expos - Kevin Gross, Dave Schmidt.

New York Mets - Darryl Strawberry, Pat Tabler, Dan Schatzeder.

Philadelphia Phillies - Darren Daulton, Don Carman.

Pittsburgh Pirates - R.J. Reynolds, Rafael Belliard, Gary Redus, Wally Backman, Zane Smith, Jerry Reuss, Don Slaught.

St. Louis Cardinals - Vince Coleman, Ken Dayley, Terry Pendleton, John Tudor, Denny Walling, Tom Niedenfuer.

San Diego Padres - Eric Show.

San Francisco Giants - Gary Carter.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 421.07, off 1.51 percent. This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total

Oct 26, 1990	45	432	809	1079	272	2160
Oct 19, 1990	36	673	1141	801	233	2175
Oct 27, 1989	70	219	447	1480	209	2136
Oct 28, 1988	146	81	688	1195	274	2157

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(OCT. 26) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Oct 26, 1990	12	237	345	420	208	973
Oct 19, 1990	7	322	387	431	180	998
Oct 27, 1989	32	92	211	624	156	991

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#90299u1871 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

ELMONT, N.Y. (OCT. 26) UPI - Goodbye, Sunday Silence. So long, Easy Goer and Golden Pheasant. Catch ya later, Criminal Type.

Racing, focused for weeks on the superstars missing the 1990 Breeders' Cup, finally turns its attention Saturday to the 86 horses in the $10 million extravaganza at Belmont Park.

A few absentees - Criminal Type, Housebuster, Summer Squall and Golden Pheasant - remain candidates for season championships and Horse of the Year. But by Sunday, the sport will be talking about a new generation of equine stars.

Among the starters are five of the seven 1989 Breeders' Cup race winners, five 1989 Eclipse Award titlists, two Canadian Triple Crown champions and the winners of the world's two most famous horse races - the Kentucky Derby and France's Arc de Triomphe.

On paper, the card shapes up as a bettor's fantasy, full of big, balanced fields and high-priced overlays.

Only the second of the seven races looks like a runaway. If so, that will hardly disappoint fans hoping Meadow Star, the undefeated odds-on favorite of the $1 million Juvenile Fillies, becomes another Ruffian.

Thirty minutes after the Juvenile Fillies comes possibly the best race: the $1 million Distaff and its anticipated duel between Go for Wand, the top 3-year-old filly and Horse of the Year hopeful, and Bayakoa, the nation's best older mare.

The $1 million Sprint was supposed to be the same kind of runaway expected in the Juvenile Fillies. But the season-ending leg cuts suffered by Housebuster a few weeks ago turned the leadoff race into a 14-horse free-for-all.

The 7-2 morning-line favorite is Dayjur, a speed demon European making his first start on dirt and his first trip around a turn. Among the horses who could benefit is 1989 Sprint winner Dancing Spree, who has not won a speed event since May.

Like the Sprint, the $1 million Mile and $2 million Turf are handicapping puzzles.

Steinlen, the 1989 Mile winner and Eclipse champion grass horse, may end up the sentimental favorite, but the race sets up better for one of several Europeans in the field.

The Turf favorite is Arc de Triomphe winner Saumarez, who could provoke a multi-national celebration. The 3-year-old races in France, was bred in England and belongs to American Bruce McNall, owner of the NHL's Los Angeles Kings, and his star center, Canadian Wayne Gretzky.

A different mystery will be solved in the $1 million Juvenile for 2- year-old colts and geldings. Racing was left without an early favorite for the 1991 Kentucky Derby when Eastern Echo was retired. The 1 1-16- mile dirt stake, on paper a tossup between New Yorker Fly So Free and Californian Best Pal, will finally provide a winter book favorite.

This year's Derby winner, Unbridled, hopes to put himself back on top of the list of candidates for the 3-year-old championship and Horse of the Year title by winning the $3 million Classic.

However, he drew the extreme outside post in the 14-horse field and is assigned the difficult task of starting the 1 1/4-mile race in the middle of Belmont's clubhouse turn. He was 8-1 on the morning line - same price as Canadian Triple Crown winner Izvestia, Belmont winner Go and Go and little known California shipper Lively One.

The program choice at 4-1 was Woodward winner Dispersal, a former sprinter. But 1989 2-year-old champion Rhythm may well become the favorite. A victory by Rhythm probably would enable him to move past Housebuster, ailing Preakness victor Summer Squall and Unbridled to take the 3-year-old Eclipse Award.

The Cup will be televised by NBC between 1:30 and 6 p.m. EDT, but the first race is scheduled to go to post at 1:55 p.m. The Classic is set for 5:30 p.m.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - Former Washington defensive end Dexter Manley, banned from the NFL for violating the league's substance abuse policy last November, applied for reinstatment, his attorney said Friday.

''I sent a letter to the commissioner (Paul Tagliabue), explaining ... the way Dexter has been conducting himself and the positive life he's been leading,'' said Manley's attorney, Bob Woolf.

''He's cooperated with the NFL totally. He's an excellent candidate for reinstatement.''

Manley, 32, was banned from the NFL for life Nov. 18, 1989, with the option to seek reinstatement after one year. Manley has admitted addiction to alcohol and cocaine. He currently is in a Houston rehabilitation program run by former NBA star John Lucas. Also, Manley has undergone intensive tutoring to overcome illiteracy.

The league refused to confirm or deny that it has received an application for reinstatement on Manley's behalf and said it would have no comment on the matter until after Nov. 18.

Should Manley be allowed back into the NFL, the Redskins would then have to decide whether to place him on the roster or put him on waivers. Manley still has six weeks left on his contract, which was frozen at the time of his suspension.

Reportedly, Redskins management is reluctant to have Manley back because of what it terms the disruption it would cause the team.

''(Manley's) first preference would be to play for the Redskins,'' said Woolf.

Just this week, Coach Joe Gibbs gave lengthy praise to nearly every one of his defensive linemen.

If the Redskins decline to put Manley on their roster, Woolf said he was confident some NFL team would offer a contract to Washington's all- time sack leader. Woolf said Manley has been working out rigorously and was in excellent shape.

During a recent appearance on the ABC-TV news program ''Primetime Live,'' Manley said he has been routinely tested for illegal narcotics and has been drug-free for 10 months.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	8.90	9.54
Anchor Fund Inv	13.99	17.84
Delaware Mutual	16.29	17.47
Fidelity Fund	15.69	15.69
Investors Mutual	10.41	10.96
Investors Stocks	17.39	18.30
Investors Select	8.30	8.73
IDS Equity Plus	8.47	8.92
MFS Growth Stock	7.68	8.28
Nicholas Income	3.05	3.05
United Accumulated	5.92	6.47
United Income	15.63	17.08
Vanguard Wellington	15.51	15.51

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Melamine Chemicals Inc., based in Donaldsonville, La., tops the list of the ''200 best small companies'' as ranked by Forbes magazine in its Nov. 12 issue.

Melamine, which topped the list two years ago, regained the lead over 4,300 corporations with sales of $5 million to $350 million in the last 12 months.

The 200 companies that made it to the Forbes list were ranked according to their return-on-equity performance over the past five years.

Cableton Systems Corp., a manufacturer of computer network equipment, based in Ganic, N.H., ranked second, followed by a successful maker of computer software, BMC Software Inc., of Sugar Land, Texas.

Forbes' standards for a special honor roll were fairly high, because the companies were expected to average at least 17.2 percent return on equity over the past five years.

Ranked No. 4 is Franklin Resources Inc., a fund management firm based in San Mateo, Calif., which also made it to the honor roll list. Franklin Resources has been ranked among the best small companies for the past seven years.

Forbes said a hypothetical portfolio made by investing $10,000 in each of these 15 honor roll stocks in October 1985 would now be worth $439,744. Excluding dividends, $150,000 invested in the Standard & Poor's 500 would be worth only $240,614.

However, the stock of small companies remains more vulnerable in times of crisis, and since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq, the ''200 best'' have dropped by 25 percent, the same as over-the-counter stocks, while the S&P which includes the larger corporations, dropped by only 15.6 percent.

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#90299u1998 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Renewed war fears and hopes of congressional action on the budget left the Treasury bond market almost unchanged for the week Friday.

Bond investors started the week on an optimistic note as news reports said a negotiated settlement to the Persian Gulf crisis was in the wind. But as the week wore on, the talk changed to a bigger U.S. military buildup and a possible offensive.

Meanwhile, the White House and Congress seemed to have put together at least the sketchy outlines of a tax-and-spending agreement that could clear the way for the Federal Reserve to bring short-term interest rates lower.

Fighting in the Persian Gulf would likely send bond prices plummeting on expectations of skyrocketing oil prices and resulting inflation. Bond prices decline when inflation, which erodes fixed bond returns, seems on the rise.

A budget agreement leading to lower interest rates, on the other hand, could boost bond prices, because a shift towards lower U.S. rates would make bonds, with guaranteed returns, look relatively more attractive.

''The market was caught between the Gulf and the budget,'' said William V. Sullivan Jr., a Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. money market analyst, and ''lost that upward and firm bias'' it had found earlier in the week.

The benchmark 30-year bond, the 8 3/4 of 2020, closed at 99 24/32 to yield 8.77 percent, compared with 99 29/32 and 8.76 percent a week earlier. That made for a loss of about 1/8 point, or $1.25 on a $1,000 Treasury bond.

Analyst Susan Hering said in Salomon Brothers' credit market newsletter that although the budget package will not break the upward momentum of the budget deficit, it should trigger a Fed easing.

The Fed, she said, ''appears to be poised to meet its half of the bargain'' tacitly struck by Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan, who encouraged Congress to deliver a budget pact by holding out the prospect of lower interest rates.

If the Fed eases, it must still be seen whether the bond market responds by bringing down long-term interest rates, which the central bank does not control. Hering said long-term rates ''likely will follow suit,'' but it is important that the market respond quickly before Middle East events intervene.

Most analysts agree next week's calendar of economic indicators is likely to confirm the recession scenario - positive for bonds. But bond prices could be

pressured by the Treasury's quarterly refunding operation in November, which is expected to float a new record $34 billion.

''I don't see a major rally next week,'' Sullivan said. ''Much like this week, you're going to have competing forces'' at work.

Philip Braverman, DKB Securities Corp.'s chief economist, concurred in his weekly credit market report, saying ''prices may be boosted next week by recessionary economic reports, a possible budget accord and a consequent Fed easing.'' But yields will then rise heading into the refunding.

Frequently, prices decline and yields rise on oversupply fears in the run-up to a Treasury refunding, because bond dealers want to sell off bonds they are holding so as to be able to accommodate new issues.

As seen before the last quarterly refunding, there is also some apprehension about weak participation by Japanese and other foreign buyers. But Braverman expected Japanese securities firms to actively bid, under some pressure from Tokyo financial and monetary officials.

Ten-year Treasury notes ended at 100 24/32 to yield 8.63 percent, compared with 100 27/32 and 8.62 percent the week before. Five-year notes ended at 101 2/32 to yield 8.22 percent, vs. 100 31/32 and 8.25.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - Stocks suffered a setback this week as investors' focus turned to the Mideast crisis and the shaky banking system since progress had been made toward a budget accord.

The Dow Jones industrial average sank 48.02 Friday to end the week at 2436.14. It lost 84.65 for the week, or 3.36 percent.

Among broader market indexes, Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 7.77 to end the week at 304.71 and the New York Stock Exchange composite index lost 3.69 to end the week at 166.71.

Declines thumped advances 1,079-809 among the 2,160 NYSE issues traded this week. Weekly Big Board volume totaled 719,883,860 shares, compared with 901,650,030 a week earlier and 875,051,080 shares a year ago.

House and Senate negotiators grasped at a tax and spending agreement that remained just out of reach Friday as black lawmakers threatened to vote against the package to protest the defeat of civil rights legislation.

But an accord aimed at reducing the federal budget deficit by $500 billion over the next five years, with $40 billion in savings the first year, appeared

to be coalescing on several key issues.

Whatever progress was made, however, was enough to allow investors' eyes to shift back to the Mideast crisis and the wobbly banking system, both of which sent stocks down this week.

''The focus went from one set of fundamentals to another disturbing set of events,'' said Hugh Johnson, chief economist at First Albany Corp. in Albany. N.Y. ''It went from the budget negotiations, which were very trying, to the Mideast.''

Diplomatic sources said Secretary of State James Baker was expected to travel to Saudi Arabia to obtain permission for a military strike against Iraq if that option was deemed necessary, while Defense Secretary Dick Cheney confirmed the present U.S. force in the desert may be increased by 100,000 troops.

''The market rallies on conciliatory-type conversation and talk,'' said Jeff Kaminsky, head of institutional sales trading at Mabon, Nugent & Co. ''But the other side of that is when there isn't compromise in the air, as Cheney indicated, then the market sells off.''

While the market seemed to focus less on the budget, though, it was concerned that the shaky state of the banking system may prevent the economy from recovering quickly from its current slump, Johnson said.

''Even if the Federal Reserve follows any budget agreement with a rate cut - and some are concerned it may not to preserve its credibility as an inflation fighter - if the banking sector is coming apart and can't respond (to the rate cut) by increasing lending to consumers it will make it tough to revive the economy,'' he said.

The plunge in financial issues Friday came amid reports that Manufacturers Hanover indicated that it might cut its dividend later this year because of the harsh economic environment.

Chemical Banking and Chase Manhattan have already cut their payouts, and Citicorp said Friday it was putting off pay raises for some 45,000 executives until the middle of next year as part of an austerity drive that also could entail staff cuts.

''We've got the Mideast, a weak economy, a recalcitrant Fed, and a banking system that's been weakened - that's not the kind of configuration that makes for good markets,'' Johnson concluded.

And from a technical standpoint, all this week's action did was make last week's 120-point rally in the Dow ''look like exactly what it was - a technical bounce, just a rally in a bear market,'' said Sidney Dorr, vice

president of institutional trading at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco.

On the trading floor this week, Citicorp was the most active issue, sinking 2 1/8 to 11 1/8 to the lowest levels it has seen in more than 8 years.

Unisys followed, plunging 1 1/2 to 2 1/4. The company Thursday reported a $357 million loss for the third quarter, warned of a possible fourth- quarter loss and said it would cut 5,000 more jobs.

Chase Manhattan was third, down 1 1/4 to 11.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T fell 1/8 to 33 3/8, General Electric sank 5 to 50 1/2 amid concerns about its financial service unit, Philip Morris lost 1 3/4 to 46 5/8, and Coca-Cola slid 1 1/2 to 44 1/4.

On the American Stock Exchange, the Amex Market Value index lost 2.32 to close Friday at 291.39. Declines led advances 420-345 among the 973 issues traded.

Amex volume totaled 52,916,215 shares, compared with 56,890,405 traded a week earlier and 59,647,355 traded in the same week a year ago.

Continental Air led the Amex actives, collapsing 2 1/8 to 3 3/4 as the company denied reports that it might file for bankruptcy in the face of a surge in fuel prices.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 3.01 to end the week at 334.36.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 26) UPI - A judge Friday once again refused to interrupt an ongoing rape trial and allow a black activist lawyer to take over the defense of one of the youths accused in the attack on a woman jogger in Central Park.

''You have a constitutional right to a lawyer of your choice. But you have no absolute right to discharge your attorney in the middle of a trial,'' said Justice Thomas Galligan at state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

Lawyer C. Vernon Mason sought to replace Howard Diller as defense lawyer for Kevin Richardson, 16, who is on trial with co-defendant Kharey Wise, 18.

Both youths are accused of gang-raping and beating a woman jogger and attacking others in the moonlit park on April 19, 1989.

Diller was hired by the family at the time of Richardson's arrest and has represented him ever since, including during a lengthy pre-trial hearing.

Mason, who is awaiting a verdict in one Brooklyn murder trial and has begun picking the jury for another, said he would take the Richardson case only if Galligan declared a mistrial and allowed him to pick a new jury.

Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer told Galligan that allowing Mason into the case could create a conflict of interest since he is handling the appeal of another youth already convicted of the gang rape, Antron McCray, 16.

In their videotaped confessions, Richardson implicates McCray in the rape and McCray implicates Richardson.

Mason vowed to file a complaint against Galligan with the State Commission on Judicial Conduct and seek to halt the trial by filing a writ of mandamus with the Appellate Division of state Supreme Court, First Department.

At the appellate division, a disciplinary committee is investigating Mason for his role as an advisor to Tawana Brawley. The black teen claimed she was raped by six white men but a grand jury determined her story was a hoax.

The trial was slated to resume at 10 a.m. Monday.

In testimony at the trial Friday, a bicyclist identified Richardson's jacket as the same garment worn by a member of a teen gang that tried to attack him.

''That's the jacket,'' testified Gerald Malone, an advertising executive who was riding through the moonlit park with his fiancee, Patricia Dean, on a bicycle built for two on April 19, 1989.

Malone, 35, made the statement after looking at a police photograph of the jacket Richardson, 16, was wearing when he was apprehended in the park that night.

Malone, who has since married Dean and moved to San Francisco, said a youth wearing the same jacket was in a gang that blocked the roadway and grabbed at Dean as they sped by on the tandem bike.

Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer asked the hulky Malone at what point during the incident he noticed the jacket.

''Almost immediately. That white logo was there. He was crouching. Then he pulled the jacket up over his head,'' Malone testified at the trial in state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

Richardson and co-defendant, Kharey Wise, 18, are on trial on 13 criminal counts stemming from the one-hour random crime spree.

They are accused of being part of a gang of up to 30 youths that rampaged

through the park, beating and robbing joggers and bicyclists and gang-raping a woman jogger.

During the trial Friday, Howard Diller continued as Richardson's defense lawyer despite the family's contention that he has been fired and replaced by black activist lawyer C. Vernon Mason.

Mason, who is awaiting a jury verdict in the murder trial of another client in Brooklyn, was expected to show up in the Manhattan courtroom either Friday or Monday to ask for permission to take over Richardson's defense.

On Thursday, Justice Thomas Galligan Thursday turned down Diller's request to step down because he had been fired by Richardson's mother, Grace Cuffee, who hired Mason. Diller told the judge that Richardson's family is refusing to cooperate with him to help in the youth's defense.

However, Galligan told Diller that the trial was under way and ''as far as the court is concerned, you are the attorney for the defendant and you will continue as attorney for the defendant.''

Altogether, six youths were indicted in the ''wilding'' rampage. Three of them were convicted last summer of raping and beating the woman jogger and assaulting two male joggers. The three - McCray, Yusef Salaam, 16, and Raymond Santana, 16 - were sentenced to 5 to 10 years in a juvenile jail.

The final youth, Steve Lopez, 16, is slated to be tried alone next year.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - The House, breaking a 13-year stalemate, approved a landmark clean air bill Friday that will require virtually every major industry to reduce emissions causing urban smog, acid rain, toxic hazards or ozone depletion.

The legislation, passed on a 401-25 vote, is the first effort by Congress since 1977 to strengthen the federal Clean Air Act to address worsening air pollution that health experts say is killing or crippling tens of thousands of Americans each year with lung disease, cancer and birth defects.

''In passing this bill, Congress is adopting the most effective, comprehensive air pollution control program in the world,'' said Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif.

''We're putting the United States back where it always was and always should be - leading all countries in promoting policies that protect the health of our citizens and the future of our planet.''

But Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., and a handful of other opponents said lawmakers

would regret burdening American industry with expensive new pollution controls.

''This legislation sounds good, but it's bad for the economy,'' he said. ''Let's junk this bill.''

The Senate was expected to pass the bill later Friday and White House officials have indicated President Bush will sign it into law, despite warnings from industry and several prominent economists that it will cost thousands of jobs and accelerate the nation's economic downturn.

Bush - the self-proclaimed ''environmental president'' - triggered congressional action by proposing a wide-ranging clean air plan in July 1989 that he said ''balanced'' costs and benefits.

His initiative was a major change from President Reagan, who steadfastly opposed clean air legislation throughout the 1980s, aggravating congressional gridlock.

The bill passed by the House emerged from 15 months of torturous deliberations marked by intense regional conflicts - especially over acid rain - and a titanic lobbying war between industry and environmental groups over how far and fast the nation should go in reducing pollution.

Among other objectives, the bill seeks by the turn of the century to:

-Clear the skies in most of the 96 cities where smog now exceeds federal health limits. Los Angeles, the nation's smoggiest city, and eight others would have until 2010 at the latest. To achieve those goals, the bill tightens pollution controls on factories and smaller facilities such as gasoline stations and print shops. It also requires automakers to reduce smog-forming and carbon monoxide emissions from cars and the oil industry to sell cleaner-burning ''reformulated'' gasoline in the dirtiest cities.

-Halve sulfur dioxide emissions from 111 coal-burning power plants in the Midwest, Southeast and Appalachia that have been identified as the major cause of acid rain damaging lakes, streams, forests and buildings in the Northeast and Canada.

-Achieve a 75 percent cut in 189 toxic or cancer-causing chemicals now routinely emitted by 250 different industrial sectors, ranging from large chemical plants and steel mills to corner dry cleaners and bakeries in badly polluted cities. Garbage and hospital incinerators also would be covered.

-Eliminate chlorofluorocarbons and three other widely used industrial substances that erode the Earth's protective ozone layer.

The bill's price tag is expected to be at least $25 billion a year by 2005, almost doubling the $32 billion now spent annually by industry to prevent air

pollution. Industry lobbyists maintain the bill will cost $51 billion a year.

For the average American household, the legislation will mean by 1995 at least $100 a year in higher utility bills, gasoline prices, car costs and other pass-throughs to consumers of increased pollution control expenditures.

It also will throw thousands of Americans out work, with the biggest hit likely in the high-sulfur coal mines of Appalachia, which will see reduced demand from utilities facing acid rain cuts. Expensive toxic air pollution controls could force the shutdown of many aging steel and chemical plants.

In a first for environmental legislation, the bill includes a five- year, $250 million program to provide extended unemployment compensation benefits to workers who lose their jobs due to pollution reduction.

Bush initially threatened to veto the clean air bill over the worker- aid program, charging it set a bad precedent for future environmental legislation and could greatly increase the government's jobless aid spending. However, he appeared mollified by last-minute changes reducing the program's cost.

Bush is the author of another major innovation in the bill - a complex emission ''allowance'' trading system designed to ease the cost of acid rain cleanup and ensure pollution does not grow after 2000. The plan is seen as a test for other ''market-based'' concepts intended to give industry economic incentives for reducing pollution.

Automakers and the oil industry, two of the most powerful lobbies on Capitol Hill, persuaded lawmakers to kill another Bush idea to require production of millions of cars that can run on cleaner-burning alternative fuels such as natural gas and wood alcohol. However, farm lobbyists succeeded in inserting requirements for grain alcohol additives in reformulated gasoline.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 26) UPI - Congress pushed for final approval of several major bills Friday, including landmark environmental and defense measures, while awaiting agreement on a budget plan that could clear the way for adjournment.

The House, resolving a 13-year stalemate, approved a clean air bill that will require virtually every major industry to reduce emissions that cause urban smog, acid rain, toxic hazards or ozone depletion.

The bill, passed on a 401-25 vote and sent to the Senate, is the first effort by Congress since 1977 to strengthen the federal Clean Air Act to address the nation's worsening air pollution.

The Senate gave final approval to a $268.2 billion ''new strategy'' military spending bill to meet the post-Cold War challenges to the United States.

The bill, which imposes the largest single-year cut in defense spending since the Vietnam war, was passed 80-17. The House gave approved it earlier in the week.

As the two chambers worked their way through a long list of bills, budget negotiators continued their effort to pin down a budget agreement.

A revolt against the budget plan developed among members of the Black Caucus, who said they would vote against the plan in retaliation for President Bush's veto of the civil rights bill, which was narrowly sustained by the Senate.

''We're all prepared to accept the consequences of our act,'' said Rep. Ron Dellums, D-Calif., caucus chairman. ''We should stay here as long as necessary until we undo this (veto) madness.''

There was speculation that if business was not completed by Sunday, the lawmakers would take the day off in order to avoid being at the Capitol during a planned march by the Ku Klux Klan.

Rep. Robert Dornan, R-Calif., protested the plan, saying members of Congress should ''take an hour break, go out on the street and tell this scum what we think of them ... tell these haters that they are not welcome in this beautiful federal capital.''

The House passed and sent to the Senate for final action a two-year $1.14 billion authorization for homeless assistance programs. The bill includes funding for emergency shelter grants, housing rehabilitation, rental assistance, health programs, job training and education for the homeless.

Another measure sent to the Senate would ease restrictions on the export of U.S. high-technology products, such as computer-related equipment, that have national security value. Some members warned the bill faces a veto threat because it also directs the president to restrict exports to countries that attempt to develop chemical weapons.

The House also passed a bill to crack down on money laundering, including provision for tougher penalties against banks and bank officers who are convicted of money laundering schemes.

As the session crawled toward a close, Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell and House Speaker Thomas Foley said Congress had compiled a significant record of accomplishment, particularly if the deficit-cutting package is enacted.

Among the highlights they cited for reporters were the increased minimum wage

benefits, civil rights for the disabled, oil spill and clean air legislation, housing and the five-year farm program.

Mitchell, of Maine, said the ''great dissapointments'' were Bush's veto of the civil rights and family leave bills and added that his ''principle dissapointment'' was failure to approve a campaign finance reform package.

Foley, D-Wash., said Congress ''has an extraordinary record. It is one of the most positive and strongest in recent years.''

Before adjournment, Mitchell said he expected passage of the clean air, child care, immigration bills and still held out the faintest of hopes for an anti-crime measure.

''If all those are enacted, I think we are justified in characterizing this as a highly succesfull Congress,'' Mitchell told a group of reporters.

Mitchell said in the budget agreement Congress will ''have dealt with problems accumulated over a decade and for five years. He acknowledged ''there is a lot to criticize'' in the lengthy process leading to the budget agreement but added it ''will be seen as a positive ''e seen as a pos

The Senate Democratic leader accused Bush of creating the protracted process on the budget, insisting that Congress, acting alone, would have finished weeks ago.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - The White House isn't denying reports that Secretary of State Baker will go to Saudi Arabia to get permission for a military strike against Iraq if deemed necessary. But spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says he's NOT discussing Baker's travel plans.

In Cairo, a high-ranking Soviet envoy today expressed optimism that the gulf crisis can be solved peacefully. But the Soviet official warned against rewarding Iraqi aggression. The envoy headed back to Moscow after meeting with Egypt's leader.

Congress is wading through a long list of bills as lawmakers wait for final agreement on a budget plan that could clear the way for adjournment. But some members of the Black Caucus are revolting against the budget plan in retaliation for President Bush's veto of the civil rights bill.

The Treasury Department says the nation's fiscal 1990 budget deficit was the worst in four years. The government posted a staggering 220- BILLION-dollar deficit... just short of the record 221-BILLION-dollar figure of 1986.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell says the issue of higher taxes for wealthy Americans will remain on the Democratic agenda in future years. Mitchell says taxes have hit middle America too hard over the past decade.

A convicted former official of a failed Dallas thrift testified in court today that the flow of cash to pay topless dancers used at official functions was so great, executives considered setting up a special fund or padding Christmas bonuses to hide the outflow.

The education commissioner for the state of New York today rejected a parent's plea to remove rock-n-roll posters from a classroom at an upstate junior high school. The parent claimed the posters at North Syracuse School in Albany could adversely affect students.

Violence erupted this morning in the second day of a bitter strike affecting New York's Daily News... the nation's largest daily tabloid. Striking workers hurled firebombs at delivery trucks and pelted NON- union replacements with rocks and bottles.

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COLUMBUS, Ohio (OCT. 26) UPI - The Ohio Supreme Court reinstated Friday former Cincinnati financier Marvin Warner's conviction in the 1985 Ohio savings and loan scandal but trimmed almost in half the restitution he must make to the state.

In a unanimous opinion, the high court reinstated Warner's conviction on six counts of unauthorized acts in connection with wire transfers and three counts of securities violations.

Also reinstated were the convictions of David Schiebel, former president of Warner's Home State Savings Bank, on three counts of securities violations.

Special Prosecutor Lawrence Kane said a status conference will be held Tuesday in Hamilton County to determine when Warner and Schiebel must surrender to enter prison. Kane said he will oppose any delays or any bond.

''I am extremely gratified by today's decision, which is a tremendous victory in our fight on behalf of Ohio's taxpayers,'' said state Attorney General Anthony Celebrezze Jr., who was responsible for recovering the state's losses and for prosecuting the case.

Warner's secretary said from his home in Ocala, Fla., that he would have no comment on the court decision.

The convictions, obtained two years after the collapse of Home State - which triggered a run on state-chartered, privately insured thrifts - were

overturned in 1989 by the Hamilton County Court of Appeals.

Warner was sentenced to 3 1/2 years in prison and ordered to pay $22 million in restitution and $250,000 in court costs. The $22 million figure was cut to $12.2 million by the Supreme Court, with the remainder still subject to discussion in lower court.

Schiebel was sentenced to six months in prison and five years probation and ordered to pay $25,000 in costs.

Home State lost $144 million in investments in ESM Government Securities, a Fort Lauderdale, Fla.-based firm that went bankrupt. After Home State's collapse, Gov. Richard Celeste closed 69 other Ohio savings and loans. Some were sold or consolidated, but most reopened within three months.

No depositors lost money. The state has spent at least $5.7 million investigating and prosecuting Warner, Schiebel and other Home State officialsbut has recovered $134 million, compared with the $129 million invested in reopening the thrifts.

Warner's attorneys, in obtaining reversal of the convictions, argued that Warner had no knowledge he was unauthorized to make the questionable money transfers.

They also contended that one of the jurors ''hated'' Warner and another had a relative with money in the state S&Ls when the collapse took place. They further argued that jury instructions were changed at the last minute and that wire transfers were not covered by state law.

State prosecutors complained that the convictions were overturned on technical procedural issues, not on the merits of the guilt of innocence of Warner or Schiebel.

Warner ''was involved in almost ever facet of the internal operations of the bank,'' said Justice Robert Holmes in writing the court's opinion. ''He was kept informed of all policy decisions by the board of directors. Warner's actions were shown to be calculated and deceitful. Therefore, any claim that Warner committed the act without the requisite knowledge is unsupported.''

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 26) UPI - Charles H. Keating Jr.'s lawyer indicated Friday the savings and loan scandal figure would be willing to accept a limited grant of immunity in exchange for his testimony against five senators under investigation by the Senate Ethics Committee.

That disclosure came following a pre-trial hearing in Keating's securities

fraud case in Superior Court, when his attorney, Steven Neal, was asked about reports that the committee is considering the limited immunity grant for Keating, 66, the former head of the now-defunct Irvine-based Lincoln Savings and Loan Association.

''Mr. Keating is not the cause of the S&L crisis in America or the problems at Lincoln Savings and Loan,'' Neal said. ''He did not cheat or defraud any bond holders and he is not responsible for any ills on Capitol Hill, including those concerns about methods of campaign financing.

''Mr. Keating has a wealth of information and insight about those issues. If I were an appointed or elected official who was interested into getting to the bottom of these issues, ... I would be thinking long and hard for a way for Mr. Keating to share those insights that he has.

''Anyone interested in the issues pertaining to the senators who are the subject of the Senate Ethics Committee inquiry ought to doing everything they can to make it possible for Mr. Keating to appear before them.''

Asked specifically Keating would be open to a limited grant of immunity, Neal responded: ''I would certainly receive or return any phone call.''

The Los Angeles Times, quoting anonymous sources on the Senate committee, reported Thursday that the committee is considering granting Keating the limited grant of immunity in exchange for testimony about his ties to the five senators under investigation.

Those senators, dubbed the ''Keating Five,'' are Alan Cranston, D- Calif., Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., Donald W. Riegle Jr., D-Mich., John Glenn, D-Ohio, and John McCain, R-Ariz.

The five, who received a total of $1.3 million in contributions from Keating for their campaigns and other causes, tried to help the Paradise Valley, Ariz. resident solve his problems with federal thrift regulators.

Public congressional hearings into the allegations against the senators begin Nov. 15.

If Keating were granted limited immunity, it might seriously jeopardize an ongoing federal grand jury criminal investigation of him in Los Angeles, the Times, quoting committee sources, reported.

That probe is reportedly a much wider-ranging investigation than the indictment returned against him and three associates in state Superior Court last month.

It was not clear what effect, if any, a grant of immunity would have on that indictment.

Keating and his co-defendants are charged with defrauding 23,000 investors, most of them elderly, out of $250 million in the sale of now- worthless junk bonds.

The indictment charges the four defendants with 42 state securities fraud counts for allegedly scheming to sell junk bonds issued by Lincoln's parent company, American Continental Corp., without telling investors that the bonds were high-risk and uninsured. Authorities say many of the victims lost their life savings.

At Friday's pre-trial hearing, Superior Court Judge Lance Ito denied a request by defense attorneys to keep sealed the 45-volume transcripts of testimony taken before the special grand jury that returned the indictments against the defendants Sept. 18.

Defense attorneys argued that the release of the transcripts would intensify the ''lynch-mob mentality'' surrounding the case and would endanger the defendants' right to a fair trial by further prejudicing potential jurors.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 26) UPI - Rancho Bernardo Savings Bank was seized by the Office of Thrift Supervision Friday, 10 months after federal regulators clamped down on the troubled San Diego thrift.

OTS officials, in a prepared statement from Washington, D.C., said the thrift was now nearly $500,000 in the red and blamed the institution's insolvency on ''poor management, a lack of internal controls and extensive losses.''

Under receivership, a new institution named Rancho Bernardo Federal Savings Bank was chartered and the thrift and its three branches remained open for business.

OTS spokesman Marc Adams said the new institution would take over the 8-year-old thrift's assets and debts while continuing day-to-day operations.

As of Sept. 30, the thrift had assets of $119.23 million, debts of $118.18 million and a ''tangible capital'' of negative $484,000.

Much of Rancho Bernardo's financial problems were blamed on the performance of RBCC, a wholly-owned that suffered a $3 million loss over the 12-month period ending June 30.

''Management had relied heavily on the earnings from the subsidiary, and had no viable alternative strategy for returning the institution to profitable operation,'' the OTS statement said.

Additionally, the bank failed to provide enough loan-loss reserves to cover non-traditional assets, such as commercial mortgages, construction loans and direct real estate investments. Those assets accounted for 58 percent of the bank's total assets.

Bank Chairman and Chief Executive Officer H.M. Darmstadler could not be reached for comment on the bank's failure.

The federal Resolution Trust Corporation now determines how much it will cost to restore the bank's fiscal strength.

As of Sept. 10, Adams said, 234 thrifts had been placed into receivership nationwide. Within the next 18 to 24 months, another 250 to 300 thrifts are expected to be taken over by federal regulators, Adams said.

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HONOLULU (OCT. 26) UPI - Nansay International Inc. of Tokyo and ITT Sheraton Corp. announced Friday they have joined forces in a $1 billion venture to buy and operate hotels in the United States, the Pacific and in Asia.

Sheraton will manage three hotels that Nansay is developing in the Kohanaiki resort on the island of Hawaii. Work is also under way on hotels in Saipan, Guam, and in Los Angeles, the companies said.

Sheraton chairman and president John Kapioltas said the joint venture was a ''logical partnership'' of development and management experience.

Under the arrangement, Nansay will primarily be responsible for financing and project development, while Sheraton will manage hotel operations and determine opportunities for additional projects.

''The function of the joint venture is to handle all aspects of property development - from the time of acquisition to construction, property management, and marketing,'' the annoucement said.

The first partnership - Sheraton-Nansay Hotel Venture Corp. - will establish the framework for a second joint venture in which each company will put in $100 million and leverage that into $1 billion to buy hotels, Kapioltas said.

In the next stage, the ownership will be shared equally between Nansay and Sheraton, and the companies were looking for hotels to buy, Kapioltas said.

The hotel industry on the mainland is depressed and investors are willing to sell in many cases, giving Sheraton opportunities to expand, he said.

Yokeno said talks have been going on since the company first hired Sheraton in late 1988 to manage its Saipan resort, and a preliminary joint venture agreement was reached in June.

Sheraton announced in late July that it was in talks with Nansay Hawaii about management contracts for the three hotels in Kona on the island of Hawaii.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 26) UPI - Unocal Corp., which recently bought more than 8, 300 clunker cars in a move to reduce smog in the region, proposed Friday that it receive pollution ''credits'' that can be used to meet tougher air-quality requirements for its refinery.

Unocal executive Roger Beach made the proposal to the South Coast Air Quality Management District, the rule-making agency for the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties.

The agency is expected to tighten rules for refineries in December when it updates its far-ranging air-quality plan, issued last year.

''The air we breathe is indifferent to its pollution source, and the health of everyone in the Los Angeles Basin would benefit most from the fastest cleanup '' said Beach, president of Unocal Refining & Marketing Division.

Beach then said that regulators should allow the private sector to implement ''innovative offsets'' in their efforts to clean the air in the Los Angeles Basin. Such offsets could then be applied toward meeting emissions requirements of other parts of its business.

Unocal's refinery in the Wilmington area handles 108,000 barrels of crude a day. The company said that the hydrocarbon emissions from the refinery are in the 1 to 2 ton per-day range.

''As long as the emissions are real, quantifiable and enforceable,'' a company or an individual should receive credit, Beach said.

''After all, success is measured in the goals we attain, not the path taken,'' he said.

Between May and October, Unocal bought 8,376 pre-1971 cars for $700 each, with the idea of taking some of the region's worst smog-producing vehicles off the road. It said that the program removed 10.7 million pounds of pollution from the air per year.

The vehicles it bought emitted more than 65 times the hydrocarbons, 50 times the carbon monoxide and 10 times the nitrogen oxides of a typical 1990

automobile.

Unocal spokesman Barry Lane said that the company estimates that the costs of cutting hydrocarbon emissions from the refinery - one of three Unocal operates on the West Coast - would be $161,000 per ton, compared to $7,600 per ton from the car-buying program.

But Bill Kelly, a spokesman for the air quality district said, that it is difficult to quantify how much pollution is reduced by buying a pre-1971 car.

''It is hard for us to determine how much that car would have been driven,'' Kelly said.

However, Kelly said that such programs as Unocal's could have promise as a means of creating credits if a business needed to expand operations.

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ANCHORAGE, AK (OCT. 26) UPI - Drug czar William Bennett wrapped up his nonstop two-day anti-marijuana campaign in Alaska's two biggest cities Friday, beseeching Alaskans to outlaw cannabis in the Last Frontier where the drug is legal.

Although Americans have paid little attention to the fact that pot has been legal in Alaska for 15 years, Bennett predicted that the state would become a mecca for drug users unless Alaskans approve a Nov. 6 ballot measure making marijuana possession a crime punishable by up to 90 days in jail.

Bennett took President Bush's war on drugs to the northern front Thursday and Friday, speaking in Anchorage and Fairbanks to occasionally receptive, usually polite, but sometimes hostile audiences who criticized Bennett for meddling and essentially told him to mind his own business.

Sensitive to criticism of interfering in the affairs of a fiercely individualistic state, Bennett repeatedly said he didn't intend to tell Alaskans how to vote. However, over and over Bennett warned of dire consequences unless Alaska ended its 15-year-old status as the only state which permits adults to possess small amounts of marijuana.

''Alaska is unique in many ways. It is also part of the greater United States '' Bennett said, in urging Alaska to conform its marijuana laws.

''I didn't come here to tell Alaskans what to do. I came here to tell them what I think,'' Bennett said again and again.

And what Bennett thinks was of no surprise to anyone - that Alaska should join the drug war by outlawing marijuana.

''Proposition 2 on your ballot offers Alaskans a chance to join that fight in earnest and I urge Alaskans to vote yes,'' Bennett said.

''I fear that if Alaskans do not vote yes on Proposition 2, this will be interpreted as a signal to those in the drug world, in the drug culture, that this is a congenial place for drugs,'' Bennett said.

Even with the Persian Gulf crisis commanding so much attention, Bennett said the drug war remains the Bush administration's No. 1 priority. He said most Americans support the drug war and Alaska was ''certainly one front in this war on drugs.''

''One thing I've learned in this job in the last 18 months is that what happens in one state affects the others. And as the rest of the United States cracks down on drugs, and believe me it is happening, there will be a movement on the part of people interested in the drug culture ... to come to Alaska,'' he said.

''People in the drug business may be wicked, they may be imperfect, they may just be mean, they may actually be evil, but they're often not stupid. When they try to figure out where to go, they look around and say, 'Who doesn't care? Who's soft on drugs? Who thinks they're perfectly alright? ... And that's where they go,'' Bennett said.

Marijuana was legalized in Alaska after the state Supreme Court ruled in 1975 that the privacy clause of the Alaska constitution protected the personal use of the drug at home. A unanimous court said private pot use posed no serious harm to society or users. Legislators later set an upper limit of 4 ounces as legal to grow or possess. Possession of more, or sale, or possession of any amount by minors, is illegal. No other drugs are legal to possess in Alaska.

A group called Alaskans for Privacy was formed to fight making marijuana a crime by stressing the privacy clause of the constitution as the basis for letting adults choose their own lifestyle as long as it harms no one else.

During Bennett's visit, the privacy group ran radio ads that urged, ''Just say no to drug czar William Bennett.''

Separate pro-marijuana advocates dogged Bennett on his trip, quizzing him, heckling him, ridiculing him and staging shouting sign-carrying protests.

Bennett rejected the arguments of both sets of Proposition 2 opponents, arguing that outlawing marijuana was no threat to Alaskans' privacy and that pot was always harmful and was more potent now than when Alaska legalized it.

As he headed for the airport, ending a 24-hour anti-marijuana blitzkrieg in bringing his drug war to Alaska for the first time, Bennett said, ''I spoke my

mind. Now it's up to Alaskans to make up theirs.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - The following is Money Magazine's Small Investor Index (Dec. 31, 1989 average equals 100):

This week 99.16, up 0.47 or 0.47 percent, compared with 98.69 (revised) the previous week.

The week's change for each asset:

Category	PC Chg. Index		Week Ago		Year Ago
Stocks					
Blue chips	91.00	up	1.48	off	4.94
Small stocks	73.23	off	1.34	off	28.07
Equity funds	89.92	up	1.42	off	8.00
Bonds					
Taxable bonds	104.54	up	0.50	up	5.67
Municipal bonds	105.78	up	0.74	up	6.24
Bond funds	99.11	up	0.45	off	0.66
Cash					
CDs	106.53	up	0.14	up	7.97
Money funds	104.93	up	0.11	up	6.01
Other					
Real estate	100.79	up	0.17	up	1.50
Gold	83.14	up	2.34	off	0.69

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#90299u2277 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 29) UPI - Pathe Communications, on the verge of becoming a major player in Hollywood, announced late Friday it has put off its long-awaited $1.3 billion buyout of MGM/UA until next week.

The announcement is likely to once again give rise to concernss, widely expressed throughout the industry since the deal was announced in March, that Pathe may not have the financial resources to complete its purchase of the venerable studio.

Pathe, which made major licensing deals with Time Warner and Turner Broadcasting System this week to help fund its acqusition, had said that it expected to close the deal Friday.

A brief announcement Friday from MGM/UA, which approved the deal earlier this week, said that the closing of the buyout had been postponed until Tuesday ''in order to complete the transfer of funds necessary to consummate the

merger and to permit the finalization of closing documents.''

A Pathe spokesman said: ''We are confident the funds will be in place and the merger will close by Tuesday.''

No further details were released in the announcement.

Pathe, which is controlled by financier Giancarlo Parretti, has already made $353 million in down payments and MGM/UA stockholders have received a payout of $253 million from those funds.

The deal calls for Pathe to pay $600 million in equity and $700 million in the licensing deals and other transactions for MGM/UA, which is controlled by financier Kirk Kerkorian.

Pathe has not yet disclosed the source of much of its financing, but its spokesman has said it will do so in filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

MGM/UA's key assets consist of its name, the famed ''Leo the Lion'' logo, its 1,070-film United Artists library, its distribution arm and its production facilities.

The company produces several TV shows, including ''thirtysomething,'' but its movie production has slowed to a trickle over the last two years while it has been for sale.

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#90299u2313 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 27) UPI - Highlights from the NHL career of Wayne Gretzky:

1979-80 - Scored first NHL point in first NHL game and first goal in third game; became youngest player in NHL history to score 50 goals; led NHL in assists with 86 and points with 137; named to NHL All-Star Game second-team; named to Professional Hockey Writers postseason All-Star second team; won Hart Trophy as league's Most Valuable Player and Lady Byng Trophy as most gentlemanly player.

1980-81 - Set NHL record for assists with 109 and points with 164; named to NHL All-Star Game first team; named to postseason All-Star first team; won second Hart Trophy; won Art Ross Trophy as NHL scoring leader.

1981-82 - Broke NHL goals, assists and points records with 92, 120 and 212; became first player in history to surpass 200 points; named to All-Star Game first team and postseason All-Star first team; won Hart Trophy and Art Ross Trophy; won Lester B. Pearson Award as the NHL players' choice for MVP.

1982-83 - Led NHL with 71 goals and 196 points; set NHL record for assists with 125; set NHL record for assists in one playoff year with 26 and for points in one playoff year with 38; named to NHL All-Star Game first team and postseason All-Star first team; set goals and points All- Star Game and period record with four goals in the third; named All-Star Game MVP; won Hart Trophy, Art Ross Trophy and Lester B. Pearson Award.

1983 - Named to Team Canada in international Canada Cup competition; won Canada Cup gold medal.

1983-84 - Led NHL with 87 goals, 118 assists and 205 points; established NHL's longest point-scoring streak overall and from start of season at 51 games; led playoffs with 22 assists and 35 points; won first Stanley Cup; named to All-Star Game first team and postseason All- Star first team; won Hart Trophy, Art Ross Trophy and Lester B. Pearson Award; led league in plus-minus.

1984-85 - Set NHL record for assists with 135; registered 1,000th point; led league with 208 points; set NHL playoff assists and points record with 30 and 47; led league in plus-minus; won second Stanley Cup; won Conn Smythe Trophy as playoffs MVP; named to All-Star Game first team and postseason All-Star team; won Hart Trophy, Art Ross Trophy and Lester B. Pearson Award.

1985-86 - Scored 500th goal; set NHL records for assists and points with 163 and 215; named to All-Star Game first team and postseason All- Star first team; won Hart Trophy and Art Ross Trophy.

1986-87 - Named NHL All-Stars' MVP of Rendez-Vous 87 series against Soviet Union; led league in plus-minus; won third Stanley Cup; set NHL records with eighth Hart Trophy and seventh straight Art Ross Trophy; won Lester B. Pearson Award.

1987 - Named to Team Canada for Canada Cup series; won Canada Cup gold medal; named Canada Cup MVP.

1987-1988 - Registered 1,000th NHL assist; became all-time NHL assist leader with 1,050; set records for most and most consecutive 100-point seasons with nine; won fourth Stanley Cup; won second Conn Smythe Trophy; named to postseason All-Star second team.

1988 - Traded from Edmonton to Los Angeles, Aug. 9.

1988-89 - Named to All-Star Game and won MVP; tied Mike Bossy as the NHL's all-time leading playoff goal-scorer with 85 in first round vs. Vancouver; became the NHL's all-time leading playoff scorer with his 86th goal in second round vs. Calgary.

1989-90 - Became NHL's all-time scorer, breaking Gordie Howe's mark of 1,850 points. Notched 142 points, winning scoring title for eighth year.

1990-91 - Reached 2,000-point plateau Oct. 26 in Winnipeg.

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#90299u2330 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

NAGS HEAD, NC (OCT. 26) UPI - Hurricane-force winds ripped a dredge from its mooring Friday, slamming the vessel into the Herbert C. Bonner bridge and tearing a 300-foot section from the only land link between Hatteras Island and the mainland.

Gusts of 90 mph blew the 200-foot-long dredge into the 2.5 mile bridge, which spans Oregon Inlet. Telephone and electrical service were knocked out to the 5,000 residents of the Hatteras Island communities of Buxton, Rodanthe and Salvo.

State and Dare County police cars were on the bridge when the 130- foot-high dredge struck the bridge. Four crewmen climbed off the dredge and into the police cars, which sped off the span before the bridge section collapsed at 2:21 a.m. No injuries were reported.

''The whole bridge was shaking and rocking to and fro,'' said Sgt. A.C. Joyner a highway patrol officer. ''It kind of bowed up in the middle and moved west. Then the whole thing just went out of sight.''

Gov. Jim Martin flew in to survey the damage and told local officials he will seek federal disaster funds. North Carolina transportation officials, who estimated repairs could take up to six months, worked to establish emergency ferry service to the island along North Carolina's Outer Banks.

''The people on Hatteras Island are isolated,'' said emergency management spokeswoman Gwen White. ''There's ocean overwash in Buxton and Rodanthe, but we do not perceive there is any danger to anyone.''

Sheriff's deputies and emergency medical personnel braved choppy waters for a boat ride to the island, but reported no major problems, White said.

Emergency officials used ham radios to stay in contact with the island's residents.

''When you live in this part of the country, you're accustomed somewhat to isolation,'' White said. ''Our concern is to get generators down there to get power returned.''

But heavy rain and winds hammered the coast early Friday, hindering the National Guard's effort to get generators to the island and the transportation department's plans to establish ferry runs.

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(OCT. 27) UPI - LIST: WAYNE GRETZKY CAREER STATS

Year-by-Year
(Through first period Oct. 26)
Regular Season

Year, team	gp	g	a	pts
1978-79 Ind. (WHA)	8	3	3	6
1978-79 Edm. (WHA)	72	43	61	104
1979-80 Edm. (NHL)	79	51	86	137
1980-81 Edmonton	80	55	109	164
1981-82 Edmonton	80	92	120	212
1982-83 Edmonton	80	71	125	196
1983-84 Edmonton	74	87	118	205
1984-85 Edmonton	80	73	135	208
1985-86 Edmonton	80	52	163	215
1986-87 Edmonton	79	62	121	183
1987-88 Edmonton	64	40	109	149
1988-89 Los Angeles	78	54	114	168
1989-90 Los Angeles	73	40	102	142
1990-91 Los Angeles	10	7	14	21
NHL Totals	857	684	1316	2000

Playoffs

	gp	g	a	pts
1978-79 Edm. (WHA)	13	10	10	20
1979-80 Edm. (NHL)	3	2	1	3
1980-81 Edmonton	9	7	14	21
1981-82 Edmonton	5	5	7	12
1982-83 Edmonton	16	12	26	38
1983-84 Edmonton	19	13	22	35
1984-85 Edmonton	18	17	30	47
1985-86 Edmonton	10	8	11	19
1986-87 Edmonton	21	5	29	34
1987-88 Edmonton	19	12	31	43
1988-89 Los Angeles	11	5	17	22
1989-90 Los Angeles	7	3	7	10
NHL totals	138	89	195	284

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KANEOHE MARINE CORPS AIR STATION, HI (OCT. 26) UPI - A Marine who refused to board a plane for Saudi Arabia lost his bid Friday for conscientious objector status.

Marine Corps officials said the Marine Corps Commandant in Washington rejected Cpl. Jeff Paterson's request on the grounds that, among other things, he does not oppose war in all forms.

''Corporal Paterson selectively chooses the wars he opposes,'' the ruling, signed by J.J. Sheehan, Marine Corps Personnel Director, said.

''He made it quite clear that he could support (albeit in a non- combat role) other groups such as the (Nicaraguan) sandanistas and (South Africa's) ANC (African National Congress) - organizations that engage in violence to achieve their goals,'' Sheehan said.

Paterson, 22, of Hollister, Calif., sat on a runway at Hickam Air Force Base as his unit was deployed to Saudi Arabia Aug. 29.

He has said he had no political opinions when he joined the Marines four years ago but now opposes U.S. policy in the Third World and refuses to be ''a pawn in America's power plays for profits and oil in the Middle East.''

Sheehan said Paterson asserted sincere beliefs but that they were political in nature and he ''was unable to articulate a moral or ethical underpinning for his beliefs.'' Opposition to U.S. foreign policy alone is not a recognized basis for conscientious objector status, he said.

''Corporal Paterson's opposition to war was not gained through training, study contemplation, or other activities comparable in rigor and dedication to the processes by which religious convictions are formulated,'' Sheehan said.

Sheehan also noted that Paterson's objection to war crystalized only as he prepared for deployment to the Middle East. ''The timing of this crystallization impugns the sincerity, depth, and convictions of his beliefs '' he said, adding that Paterson indicated he was not a conscientious objector as recently as Aug. 15.

Paterson now can be assigned any normal combat duties ''including duties requiring the bearing of arms in combat,'' Sheehan said.

Paterson supporters denounced the decision, saying the military was putting on trial ''Jeff's support for the struggles of the people of El Salvador and South Africa for their liberation.''

''Their findings also challenge the Nuremburg principles, which gave military personnel the responsibility to oppose unjust wars,'' said the Committee To Defend Jeff Paterson, which vowed to appeal the ruling in federal court.

Paterson, however, won a round Friday when a military judge ordered him released from confinement to Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station, where he had been ordered to remain since his release from the brig Sept. 21 at the order

of a federal court.

''He can leave camp when he is off-duty just like everyone else,'' base spokesman Capt. Leonard Ryan said.

Paterson's court martial is scheduled to begin Dec. 3. He faces five charges - one count of missing movement, two counts of disobeying orders, and two of unauthorized absence stemming from a news conference he held to announce his stand.

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#90299u2385 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 26) UPI - The compromise budget package being worked on by House and Senate negotiators could face opposition from black lawmakers. Black congressmen threaten to reject the deal... as a protest against the defeat of the civil rights bill. A final budget deal continues to elude negotiators. Questions were raised today about whether the package would achieve the savings it's designed to produce.

Congress sent President Bush a defense bill calling for the largest one-year cut in the Pentagon budget since the end of the Vietnam War. The Senate passed the bill by a vote of 80-17 today after the House approved it earlier in the week. Georgia Democrat Sam Nunn says the bill represents ''a new strategy a changing threat in the world.''

Italy's foreign minister was among the international officials in Cairo, Egypt today for talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. The Italian diplomat met with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and other members of his government. After the talks, the Italian official said a partial solution to the Persian Gulf crisis is UNacceptable.

An official Israeli government panel of inquiry found today that police were justified in firing on Moslem worshippers at Temple Mount October 8th. The incident left at least 20 Palestinians dead, leading to two U-N Security Council resolutions condemning Israel. The Israeli panel report says Moslems started the skirmish, and police fired in self defense.

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#90299u2398 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 26) UPI - Attorney General Thornburgh released a statement today on the sentencing of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry. Thornburgh says the court properly held Barry accountable for his criminal conduct. Barry was given six months in jail and a five-thousand-dollar fine for a misdemeanor cocaine possession charge. Thornburgh says the sentence sent a clear message that the use of drugs will NOT be tolerated.

The red carpet was rolled out today in Madrid, Spain, for Soviet President Gorbachev. He arrived to open negotiations on receiving one-BILLION dollars worth of credits in Spanish consumer goods that are desperately needed by the troubled Soviet ecomomy. Gorbachev was honored with a 21-gun salute and was driven to a palace in a Rolls-Royce limousine.

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#90299u2536 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 26) UPI - Several thousand Slovak nationalists protested in Bratislava, Czechoslovakia, tonight against a new law making Slovak the official language of Slovakia. The demonstrators say the law does NOT go far enough. 40 Slovak students were camped out on the steps of the Slovak National Council, where they're conducting a hunger strike. The nationalists want to ban separate language instruction for the region's 600-thousand ethnic Hungarians.

Members of a Utah state panel reviewing the status of the controversial ''cold fusion'' research at the University of Utah are angry with the two scientists in charge of the project. The panel says Stanley Pons and Martin Fleischmann have failed to cooperate with their review. NEITHER Pons NOR Martin attended the group's meeting yesterday.

Nasty words today in the U-S Senate race in New Hampshire. Democratic challenger John Durkin criticized his Republican opponent, Representative Bob Smith... citing a 300-thousand-dollar campaign contribution as proof that- in Durkin's words- ''Japs'' are ''trying to buy a U-S Senate seat.'' Durkin referred to Smith as ''Yokohama Bob'' for accepting a donation from a political action committee made up of Japanese carmakers pressing for free trade in the auto industry.

Encyclopaedia Britannica announced the first expansion of its Great Books of the Western World series, which now will include authors such as James Joyce, Ernest Hemingway, F. Scott Fitzgerald and Mark Twain. Those authors and others have been added to Britannica's official list of Great Books... changed for the first time since 1952. The new, second edition of the Great Books series will increase to 60 volumes, and will include a total of 130 authors- up from 74.

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#90299u2695 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 26) UPI - Lawmakers are forging ahead with efforts to combine a newly agreed upon tax package with spending cuts... in a proposed deficit-cutting plan. The tentative accord on taxes was reached earlier tonight. Congressional leaders from both parties arranged to meet with White House officials later tonight.

While awaiting a budget agreement that could clear the way for adjournment,

Congress worked its way through several major bills. The Senate gave final approval today to a 268-BILLION-dollar military spending bill. It includes the largest single-year cut in defense spending since the Vietnam War.

The Senate is expected to follow the lead of the House tonight and pass a landmark clean air bill. White House officials indicate President Bush will sign it... despite warnings that it might cost thousands of jobs and could accelerate the nation's economic downturn.

The lawyer for Marion Barry says the Washington, D-C, mayor is ''disappointed'' with the six-month prison term and five-thousand-dollar fine handed down by a federal judge today. Barry was convicted this summer on a cocaine possession charge.

In Minneapolis today, three former Northwest Airlines pilots were sentenced to prison terms ranging from 12 to 16 months... for flying a passenger jet while intoxicated. As he handed down the sentences, the judge criticized the men for what he termed ''a breach of faith with the passengers.''

Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov met with Egypt's President Mubarak today and later voiced optimism the Persian Gulf crisis could be solved peacefully. But he warns that Iraq must NOT be rewarded for its invasion of Kuwait.

Cairo Radio says Primakov will be in Baghdad tomorrow and probably will meet with Saddam Hussein.

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#90299u2706 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 26) UPI - Soviet news reports say the parliament in the republic of Moldavia declared a state of emergency today in a breakaway southern region, and plans to ask for Interior Ministry troops to prevent bloodshed. Says the Interfax news agency- ''Moldavia is on the brink of civil war.''

The current crisis was sparked when the tiny region... which declared itself an independent Soviet republic on August 20th... decided to move up its legislative elections from Sunday to yesterday.

The timber-rich Chuvash region of the giant Russian republic declared itself sovereign today. It's the ninth of the 16 so- called autonomous republics in the Russian Federation to pass a declaration of sovereignty.

The leader of a radical independence party in the southern Soviet republic of Georgia was shot and wounded yesterday as he left the first session of the Georgia Congress. The lawmaking body was set up as an alternative to the republic's Communist-dominated Parliament.

The residents of North Carolina's Hatteras Island were cut off from the

mainland today. Hurricane-force winds sent a 200-foot vessel crashing into the island's only bridge, collapsing it. Repairs could take up to six months.

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#90299u2815 10/26/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 26) UPI - Both houses of Congress are trying to clear their dockets so politicians seeking re-election can get out on the campaign trail. The House sent a new clean-air act to the Senate today, and the Senate sent a Pentagon-spending bill to the president. But black members of Congress are threatening the budget compromise... in anger because of the veto of a new civil rights act.

The lawyer for thrift scandal figure Charles Keating says his client would be open to a grant of limited immunity in exchange for his testimony against five senators. The lawmakers are under investigation by the Senate Ethics Committee for their ties to Keating. The attorney for the former head of the now-defunct Irvine, California-based Lincoln Savings and Loan Association says Keating has a wealth of information about the senators.

A U-S-based organization that observed Pakistan's elections says television coverage of the voting was biased. But the National Democratic Institute says it has NO evidence to substantiate charges of mass vote fixing made by ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto. Bhutto's party was defeated by an army-backed coalition of opposition parties in Wednesday's voting.

A taxi strike in Hungary shut down transportation today in Budapest and closed roads to several other towns. Taxi drivers began the spontaneous demonstration in the capital city to protest a steep rise in gasoline prices. The strike soon spread throughout Hungary. Government officials have opened talks with representatives of the drivers in a bid to end the protest.

The president's anti-drug policy chief, William Bennett, campaigned in Alaska today... where he asked voters to repeal the state's liberal marijuana laws. It is legal to possess small amounts of cannabis in one's home in Alaska for personal use. Bennett says if the law is NOT repealed, Alaska will become a haven for drug users who will swarm to the state.

Disgraced Catholic lay minister Vicki Long told an Atlanta television station she wants to reconcile with the church. Her affair with Archbishop Eugene Marino led to his resignation this summer and to an investigation of church finances... which reportedly were used to support Long. Long concedes she ''made mistakes'' and says she will cooperate with the investigation of the Atlanta archdiocese.

The Gateway Arch in St. Louis celebrates its 25th anniversary Sunday. The tallest national monument- at 630 feet- commemorates St. Louis' past as the ''Gateway to the West''- the city that nearly all major pioneer trails ran

through. One business official says the scale of the economic growth of the city during the past 30 years is entirely due to the arch.

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#90300d0180 10/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 29) - A 23-year-old Japanese woman, Mie Kobayashi, won first prize at the French Long-Thibaud violin competition in Paris's Salle Pleyel concert hall late on Saturday.

Ms. Kobayashi became the first Japanese to win the 70,000-francs (14,000-dollar) first prize in the contest.

Stephane Tran Ngoc, a 25-year-old French national, took second place and Japan's Kazue Nishizawa, 21, was third.

The fourth prize went to Bin Huang of China, the fifth to Demonico Nordio of Italy and the sixth to another Japanese, Ken Ishiro Aiso.

A surprise was the elimination from the finals of all four Soviet candidates. The Soviet Union has in the past dominated the event, winning first place in no less than nine of the 22 contests which have been held to date.

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#90300d0270 10/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (OCT. 29) - A new fertility center including in vitro fertilization and artificial insemination technique is being set up to aid families in this sparsely populated Gulf oil state.

The Dubai Fertility and Women's Health Center will for the first time provide local women the opportunity of the "test tube" birth without the exorbitant costs of such treatment abroad, the director of Dubai's health and medical services department Dr. Juma Belhoul said.

The United Arab Emirates and other conservative Gulf states allow artifical insemination and in vitro fertilization using only the husband's sperm.

Nationals form less than 50 percent of the UAE's 1.6 million population, and the government like those of neighboring Gulf oil states, is keen to increase the local population with a long term view of reducing dependence on imported manpower.

Officials said the new fertility and Women's Health Center will start operation next April in Dubai, about 160 kilometers (100 miles) north of Abu Dhabi.

The center is being set up in cooperation with the London Fertility Institute,

whose director Dr. Ian Craft had helped set up assisted conception programs at the Royal Free and Cromwell hospitals.

Dr. Craft, visiting the UAE to discuss the final arrangements for the center, told reporters he estimated at least 200 couples in Dubai currently required fertility treatment. He said the center in the future would be able to cater to about 12,000 and 15,000 patients per year.

Dubai's Al Wasl hospital provides fertility programs for women, while test-tube baby units exist in Tawam hospital in the city of Al Ain and a private clinic in Sharjah.

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#90300d6560 10/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON, OCT 27 - New Zealand's opposition National Party swept into power here Saturday night in a landslide.

In an emotional acceptance speech prime minister-elect Jim Bolger said he found the victory "quite humbling."

His speech came moments after he received a telephone call from Prime Minister Mike Moore who conceeded defeat in a strikingly friendly fashion.

"Mate, I'm just ringing you to congratulate you and Joan (Mrs.Bolger)," Mr. Moore said.

"You've got the country, you've had a tremendous result, from your point of view. I wish you well."

Television New Zealand and Radio New Zealand were reporting a swing from Labour to National of eight to 10 per cent.

This is the greatest swing since a 14 per cent swing took Labour into power in 1935.

In Auckland and Wellington there were some massive swings against the government, up to 50 per cent in the case of Wellington Central constituency.

With final results not due till late Saturday, National was looking to hold 68 seats to Labour's 28.

Although third parties appeared to poll well, particularly the new Green Party only the Labour breakway party, the New Labour Party got a seat in the 97-seat parliament.

Labour cabinet ministers tumbled out of office in a series of humiliating defeats.

Mr. Moore said the new opposition would be "as hard as nails" but added: "There is no malice, no bitterness, that's the way things go."

Speaking to a victory party in his hometown Te Kuiti, 400 kilometres (248 miles) north of here, Mr. Bolger appealed for the country, divided by the long election campaign, to reunite.

"If we hang in together, us New Zealanders wont be beaten," he said.

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#90300d6750 10/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRID, (OCT 27) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev resumed talks with Spanish Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez Saturday, focusing on European policy and the situation in the Gulf.

He also laid a wreath at the memorial for Spain's war dead.

The two leaders later planned to sign a joint political declaration and a memorandum in which Spain pledges to provide the Soviet Union with a 1.5 billion dollar loan.

During a two and one-half hour talk with Gonzalez on Friday that dealt largely with Spain's transition to democracy from the dictatorship under General Francisco Franco, Gorbachev said his country could learn from Spain's example.

Gonzalez pointed out that Spain did not receive foreign loans until it had achieved political stability.

Gorbachev will end his three-day visit on Sunday with a trip to Barcelona.

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#90300d6850 10/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS, (OCT 27) - Belgian Premier Wilfried Martens announced here Saturday that 500 paratroopers sent to civil war-torn Rwanda will be withdrawn on November 1 but that Brussels would continue to support African efforts to uphold a ceasefire.

The elite forces had been sent to the African country's capital of Kigali to protect Belgian citizens amid the fighting between rival Hutu and Tutsi tribal forces.

Martens' disclosure followed on an announcement in Zaire that Rwanda, Zaire,

Burundi and Uganda had agreed on an African peacekeeping force being sent to Rwanda.

In addition, the leaders of the countries meeting in Gbdaolite, Zaire, agreed to send a 15-man observer team of military officers to supervise the ceasefire. The team is also to include representatives of the rival Hutus and Tutsis.

Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni, as current chairman of the Organisation of African Unity (Oau), was charged with responsibility for preparing the peacekeeping effort.

At the same time, Zaire Presidetn Mobutu sese Seko was named to try to mediate between the majority Hutus and minority Tutsis.

Martens personally led a Belgian delegation to Rwanda last week to try to establish a ceasefire in the conflict which was triggered last month when Tutsi rebels launched an attack to gain land for the some 2 million Tutsis living in exile in neighbouring Uganda.

The Belgian leader said that Brussels would provide financial and logistical support for the ceasefire effort.

Meanwhile the European Community has agreed to provide some 850,000 dollars worth of immediate food aid to help the Red Cross and other relief organisations helping the several thousand refugees who have fled the fighting.
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#90300d6960 10/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROME, (OCT 27) - French President Francois Mitterrand and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher arrived in Rome for the European Economic Community's summit meeting Saturday around midday.

The two leaders were to lunch together before the summit officially opened in late afternoon.

Although EEC heads of state and government will discuss the 12-nation trade bloc's failure to find a compromise solution to farm subsidies and the situation in the Gulf, their central topic of discussion are the two inter-governmental conferences scheduled for mid-December.

These inter-governmental conferences should lead to modifications of the EEC's founding Treaty of Rome to enable the trade bloc to move towards economic and monetary union and political union.

Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, who will chair the summit as his country currently holds the EEC's six-month revolving presidency, suggested his guests should concentrate their talks on themes of "signficant interest" for

the EEC's "long-term future."

Mr. Mitterrand may have to leave the summit before it ends on Sunday to meet Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on an official visit to Paris.

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#90300d7110 10/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BARCELONA, SPAIN, OCT 27 - Spanish musician and orchestra leader Xavier Cugat known as the king of rumba and cha-cha-cha, died here Saturday, hospital officials said. He was 90.

Mr. Cugat was admitted to the Quiron de Barcelone clinic on October 8 with a lung infection and heart problems.

He spent a large part of his career in Hollywood as a variety orchestra leader.

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#90300d7570 10/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (OCT 27) - Major U.S. industrial groups have threatened to lodge a formal trade protest and seek punitive action against Thailand if Bangkok does not crack down on piracy of U.S. films, music, books and computer software.

The groups, in a letter to Thai Ambassador Vitthya Vejjajiva, gave the Thai Government until November 15 to take vigorous action against the copyright pirates.

"Unless the actions we have requested ... are taken immediately, (we) will file a fvormal trade complaint under section 301 of the U.S. Trade Act," said the letter signed by the Motion Picture Export Association of America, the Recording Industry Association and the International Intellectual Property Alliance.

The letter, delivered Friday and made available to the press, said the industry groups had provided Thailand with the names and addresses of known pirates who operate "blatantly and apparently without any fear that the Thai enforcement authorities would take any action."

Calling Thailand the "worst offender of intellectual property rights in Asia," Motion Picture Association president Jack Valenti told reporters Thai pirates "steal from our member countries 10 million to 15 million dollars annually in potential revenues."

"Illegal copies of American movies are on sale throughout Thailand within days of their release in the United States and well before their legitimate release in Thailand," he said.

The three industry groups estimated in their letter that piracy of records,

music tapes, videos, books and software in Thailand was costing U.S. producers more than 60 million dollars a year.

If U.S. trade officials were to formally adopt a complaint against Thailand under the 301 trade provision, it could lead to penalty duties on Thai exports to the United States.

Last year Thailand was placed on a "priority watch list" of unfair traders due to the piracy of intellectual property and subsequently lost duty concessions on 165 million dollars worth of exports to the United States.

But Thailand nevertheless maintained a 1.4 billion dollar trade surplus with the United States during that year.

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#90300d7690 10/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (OCT 27) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker's forthcoming visit to Saudi Arabia is aimed at stepping up pressure on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, the New York Times said Saturday.

The paper said Baker might also visit Cairo, London and other European capitals as part of his visit planned for early November.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater told reporters Friday Baker's mission would focus on ''the implementation of United Nations sanctions, the status of U.S. and multinational forces in the Gulf, general defense needs, Arab unity and military options''.

He declined to comment on reports that Baker would seek Saudi consent on a possible military strike against Iraqi troops.

The New York Times added that Baker might also visit Israel provided that the country settled its dispute with the United Nations Security Council over an investigation of the killings in Jerusalem of over 20 Palestinians earlier this month.

Baker visited Saudi Arabia in September as part of a tour that also took him to Syria, Egypt and the United Arab Emirates.

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#90300d7730 10/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS, (OCT 27) - Syrian President Hafez al-Assad met here Saturday with the foreign ministers of a three-nation Arab committee to discuss Lebanon

after the fall of rebel Christian leader General Michel Aoun.

Prince Saud al-Faisal of Saudi Arabia, Sid Ahmad Ghozali of Algeria and Abdellatif Filali of Morocco arrived earlier in the Syrian capital from the western Saudi city of Jeddah.

The Arab League's special envoy to Lebanon, Lakhdar Ibrahimi, also took part in the meeting.

Sources close to the committee said they would discuss the next stages of the Arab peace plan for Lebanon, drawn up in the Saudi resort of Taif and endorsed by Lebanese MPs in October 1989.

The foreign ministers met in Jeddah on Friday to examine a "new action plan allowing the Lebanese state to extend its authority over the whole of Lebanon," a reliable source said, without giving details.

The source in Jeddah said the committee had decided to send an envoy next week to France to discuss the fate of Gen. Aoun, who has sought refuge in the French Embassy in Beirut since his ouster in a Syrian-led assault on October 13.

France has granted the general political asylum but members of the Syrian-backed government want him to stand trial on charges of embezzling public funds.

Gen. Aoun opposed the Taif plan because it failed to call for the withdrawal of the estimated 35,000 troops deployed in Lebanon.

The plan provides for political reforms in favour of Lebanese Moslems, the disarming of militias and the redeployment of Syrian troops to eastern Lebanon. Elias Hrawi was elected president under the plan in November 1989.

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#90300d8390 10/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE, (OCT 27) - The Warsaw Pact countries reached agreement here Saturday on arms quotas clearing the way for the signing of a Conventional Forces in Europe treaty in Paris on November 18, officals said.

The question of how the Warsaw Pact nations were to repartition their arsenals under disarmament talks had been seen as the last barrier in the way of clinching the historic treaty in Paris.

The breakthrough came when the Soviet Union agreed to accept a lower level of 13,150 assault tanks instead the 13,300 Moscow had been holding out for, Czechoslovak deputy Foreign Minister Robert Harencar said.

The six Warsaw Pact countries -- Soviet Union, Bulgaria, Romania, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Poland -- will formally sign the agreement in Budapest on November 3, Mr. Harencar added.

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#90300d9310 10/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (OCT 27) - President George Bush is likely to reshuffle his cabinet after the November 6 congressional elections and his drug policy director, William Bennett, is expected to resign next year, U.S. News and World Report reported in its latest issue.

The weekly quoted White House sources as saying that because of the political damage to Republicans caused by the budget deficit-reduction negotiations, Budget Director Richard Darman was expected to be demoted to head of an agency dealing with international finance and could be replaced by Transportation Secretary Sam Skinner.

Another possibility was that Mr. Skinner might replace White House Chief of Staff John Sununu, another casualty of the budget talks, in which the Democrats succeeded in portraying their Republican rivals as protectors of the wealthy, the sources said.

Under this scenario, Mr. Sununu, whose abrasive style has rankled congressional Democrats during the budget talks, would become head of Mr. Bush's re-election campaign while domestic-policy adviser Roger Porter would take over as budget director, the magazine said.

It also reported that Mr. Bennett, who has spearheaded the nation's war on drugs, was expected to resign next year after the release of his third drug strategy report in January.

Mr. Bennett would be the second member of the Bush administration to leave. Wednesday, Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole, the highest ranking woman in the Bush administration, announced she was resigning to become president of the American Red Cross.

Mr. Bennett, 47, is thought to be interested in a presidential race, but not until 1996.

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#90300d9460 10/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONOLULU, HAWAII, (OCT 27) - The first summit between a U.S. president and leaders of Pacific island nations began here Saturday, officials said.

President George Bush met with the leaders from 11 Pacific nations who are expected to seek assurances from Mr. Bush about enviromental and other

concerns.

Among key issues to be discussed is the storage and disposal of chemical weapons on Johnston Atoll 1,100 kilometres (700 miles) southwest of here.

About 100 people protesting against the use of the atoll were waiting for Mr. Bush when he arrived at the East-West Centre here where the one-day talks are being held.

"Don't make our Pacific your cesspool," one banner urged.

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#90300e0032 10/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

GUATEMALA CITY (OCT. 27) EFE - Five kidnapped Guatemalan nuns were released unharmed after 12 hours in captivity and are helping police in their inquiries a government prosectutor said Saturday.

Roberto de Leon Carpio, the Guatemalan government's special prosectutor for human rights cases, indicated that a gang of common criminals was believed responsible for the abduction.

The five Franciscan nuns, aged between 18 and 53, were seized Thursday the town of Antigua as they were driving in a van to the capital, 20 km away.

Carpio declined to say whether a ransom had been paid for the nuns' release or give further details while a police investigation is in progress.

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(OCT. 27) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE USA - SATURDAY

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	f	78	39	....
Anchorage	pc	34	25	....
Asheville	sy	52	37	....
Atlanta	sy	59	38	....
Baltimore	sy	53	44	....
Billings	sy	72	55	....
Birmingham	sy	63	32	....
Bismarck	sy	80	30	....
Boston	sy	48	43	.04
Brownsville	f	82	55	....
Buffalo	pc	40	36	.04
Burlington Vt.	sy	41	35	.02
Charleston S.C.	sy	64	51	....
Charlotte	sy	59	43	....

Chicago sy	54	28	....
Cincinnati pc	53	32	....
Cleveland pc	46	40	....
Columbus Ohio pc	50	32	....
Dallas sy	77	47	....
Denver sy	78	43	....
Des Moines sy	67	38	....
Detroit mc	67	38	....
Duluth w	61	35	....
El Paso c	82	43	....
Evansville sy	58	30	....
Fargo sy	76	38	....
Hartford sy	50	43	....
Honolulu sy	86	73	....
Houston f	73	41	....
Indianapolis sy	54	29	....
Jackson Miss. sy	67	32	....
Jacksonville sy	66	43	....
Kansas City sy	73	44	....
Las Vegas sy	84	50	....
Little Rock sy	63	42	....
Los Angeles f	74	58	....
Louisville sy	58	34	....
Memphis f	63	37	....
Miami Beach pc	73	57	....
Milwaukee w	54	32	....
Minneapolis w	66	37	....
Nashville f	58	37	....
New Orleans sy	67	51	....
New York sy	51	49	....
Oklahoma City sy	76	47	....
Omaha sy	75	44	....
Orlando sy	69	48	....
Philadelphia sy	53	44	....
Phoenix sy	96	65	....
Pittsburgh pc	47	38	....
Portland Me. sy	48	41	.22
Portland Ore. cy	62	49	.06
Providence sy	46	36	.12
Richmond sy	55	47	....
St. Louis sy	61	35	....
Salt Lake City sy	71	46	....
San Antonio f	77	47	....
San Diego f	76	56	....
San Francisco pc	78	52	....
San Juan pc	89	74	.01
Seattle mc	63	47	....
Spokane f	55	42	.08

Tampa sy	68	49	....
Washington pc	54	46	....
Wichita sy	79	48	....

c-clear	cl-clearing	cy-cloudy	f-fair
fy-foggy	hz-haze	m-missing	pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy	r-rain	sh-showers	sm-smoke
sn-snow	sy-sunny	ts-thunderstorms	w-windy

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(OCT. 27) UPI - NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS

Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	8	3	0	16	46	29
New Jersey	7	3	1	15	43	33
Philadelphia	6	4	0	12	40	35
Washington	5	6	0	10	36	35
Pittsburgh	4	5	1	9	42	41
NY Islanders	2	7	0	4	22	40

Adams Division

Montreal	6	4	1	13	41	39
Boston	5	4	1	11	31	37
Hartford	4	4	2	10	28	31
Quebec	3	5	3	9	37	44
Buffalo	1	5	3	5	28	35

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	7	4	0	14	37	26
Detroit	6	3	2	14	47	41
St. Louis	6	3	1	13	37	33
Minnesota	2	7	2	6	29	45
Toronto	1	9	1	3	28	54

Smythe Division

Los Angeles	7	2	1	15	47	30
Calgary	7	4	0	14	43	32
Vancouver	5	5	0	10	33	36
Winnipeg	4	6	1	9	39	36
Edmonton	2	5	2	6	29	30

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(OCT. 27) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Baseball

Boston - Obtained outfielder Michael Beams as the player to be named in deal which sent catcher Rich Gedman to Houston; announced third-base coach Rac Slider will not be rehired.

Cleveland - Announced club will not pick up option on contract of first baseman Ken Phelps.

Houston - Asked waivers on pitcher Jose Cano for purpose of giving him his unconditional release.

New York (AL) - Named Bill Bergesch assistant general manager.

Toronto - Released infielder Jim Eppard and pitcher Rick Luecken.

Basketball

Sacramento - Released guards Dennis Nutt and Kevin Nixon and forward Jason Reese.

College

Western Kentucky - Announced retirement of Athletic Director Jimmy Feix, effective June 30.

Football

Detroit - Activated linebacker Chris Spielman from injured reserve.

Green Bay - Signed tight end William Harris.

New England - Signed offensive lineman Bob White; released running back Marvin Allen.

San Diego - Placed H-back Joe Caravello on injured reserve; signed tight end Terry Orr.

Tampa Bay - Activated tight end Ed Thomas from practice roster; waived wide receiver Chris Ford.

Hockey

Minnesota - Traded defenseman Frantisek Musil to Calgary for defenseman Brian

Glynn.

Toronto - Fired coach Doug Carpenter; named Tom Watt interim coach.

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#90300u0088 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (OCT. 27) UPI - Julie Krone rode to her 2,000th career victory, leading wire-to-wire to win the $25,000 Escaped Handicap Friday night at the Meadowlands.

Riding Meadow Bridge Farm's Rainbow Quartz in a one mile event on the main track, Krone hustled the four-year-old gelding out of the gate to the lead and held off all challengers through fractions of 23.2, 46.2, 1:12 and 1:37.3 to win by one and a half lengths.

''This is an especially important milestone for me because this has been a boring year, with the accident and all,'' said Krone, who sat out seven months recovering from a complicated fracture of her left forearm sustained in a riding accident on Nov. 27, 1989.

Riding for Meadowlands' leading trainer John Forbes, Krone said that, ''When John gave me a leg up on this horse I just knew we'd win. Everything seemed just right - the horse's mane was lying perfectly, he stood perfectly in the gate, I chirped to him and he just drew off.''

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#90300u0102 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

SAN DIEGO (OCT. 27) UPI - A 52-year-old man has been charged with smuggling 327 fertile ostrich eggs into the United States, and could face up to 20 years in prison.

Roger Leonard Jacobson allegedly obtained the giant eggs worth $300, 000 from Botswana in southern Africa earlier this month and transported them using 32 specially constructed suitcases. The motive was unknown.

Ostriches are not considered an endangered species, but the gawky birds are in decline, largely because of human encroachment on their natural habitat.

Demand for the world's largest bird has increased among U.S. collectors and homeowners who keep ostriches as pets, San Diego Zoo spokesman Jeff Jouett said. Fertile ostrich eggs can bring $1,000 on the black market, he said.

''Everybody knows about smuggled elephant tusks and smuggled rhino horns,'' Joeutt said. ''To think of yet another animal part being a black market commodity is pretty ominous for wildlife. It makes you think: What next?''

The eggs - each between 2 1/2 and 4 pounds and 10 to 12 inches long - were not expected to survive because federal quarantine regulations forbid their entry into the country and transfer to incubation chambers.

The zoo's bird curator inspected five of the eggs and determined that ''they were fertile but they will not hatch,'' said Jouett.

Jacobson was nabbed at the Mexican border Oct. 19 after a Customs inspector found 110 ostrich eggs in his car. Customs agents later found another 217 eggs previously smuggled into the country.

The Oceanside, Calif., man faces 20 years in prison and a $750,000 fine for smuggling, importing wildlife and possessing a firearm.

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#90300u0123 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 27) UPI - The newly forged deficit-reduction budget plan is now headed for possible consideration by the House. The 490-BILLION-dollar package of tax hikes and spending cuts fell about 10-BILLION dollars short of the targeted 500-BILLION dollar deficit reduction- an amount the administration had said would be the minimum acceptable. But President Bush is expected to back the plan.

The White House confirmed Friday night that Secretary of State Baker will travel soon to Saudi Arabia. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says Baker will discuss- among other things- the ''implementation of U-N sanctions, the status of U-S and multinational forces in the gulf'' and ''military options.'' He would NOT confirm reports that Baker would seek permission from the Saudi government for a military strike against Iraq, if one is deemed necessary.

A New York judge once again Friday refused to allow a black activist lawyer to take over the defense of one of two youths on trial in the April 1989 gang-rape of a woman jogger in Central Park. It's the second trial stemming from the so-called ''wilding'' rampage during which a gang of youths attacked several people in the moonlit park. Three youths were convicted earlier this year. A final youth is slated to be tried early next year.

New government-ordered inspections of the 800-mile trans-Alaska pipeline will begin this weekend. The inspections were prompted by charges of fraudulent corrosion testing along the pipeline. Operators of the pipeline say they will comply with a government request to dig up sections of the pipe for the probes at 19 different sites. The job will cost 500-thousand dollars.

The Judicial Council of the United Methodist Church says it will leave it up to the denomination's top legislative body to decide whether God may be referred to officially as a male. The ruling comes in response to an inquiry from the panel revising the denomination's Book of Worship. Modernists and

feminists object to designating God in male terms, such as the traditional ''father.''

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#90300u0127 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 27) UPI - The State Department warned Americans overseas Friday that the risk of acts of terrorism in Europe and Middle East is increasing.

In an advisory, the department said the U.S. government has received information believed ''specific and credible'' regarding a possible terrorist threat to passenger ships operating in the eastern Mediterannean Sea.

Such an operation may be undertaken at any time, the advisory said. A further source of concern, it said, is that the Abu Nidal Organization has repeatedly threatened to attack U.S. interests in the event Mahmoud Atta, a U.S. citizen and a member of that organization, is extradited to Israel.

The U.S. takes these threats seriously in view of the ANO's notorious history. Following a long U.S. judicial process, the United States has decided to extradite Atta to stand trial for his alleged participation in a lethal attack involving an Israeli bus in April 1986, the State Department said.

''Finally, we note that civil aviation remains a potential target for terrorist operations,'' the department said. ''We are particularly concerned in this regard about aircraft operating in Europe or the Middle East.''

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#90300u0149 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 27) UPI - The founder and long-time chief executive officer of C-B-S has died. A network spokesman says William Paley died Friday night at his Manhattan home. He was 89, and had been ill with pneumonia for two weeks before suffering an apparent heart attack earlier Friday. Paley oversaw the growth and expansion of C-B-S News during World War Two. After the war, he turned his attention to the fledging C-B-S Television Network.

A delicate bipartisan deficit-cutting plan forged late Friday by congressional and administration budget negotiators is headed for consideration by the House early Saturday. California Democrat Leon Panetta, chairman of the House Budget Committee, says the package of tax hikes and spending cuts is ''the most effective deficit reduction'' they've ever passed. The head of the Senate Finance Committee, Lloyd Bentsen, says the plan shifts America's tax burden largely off the middle class and onto the rich.

White House support for the plan remains intact, if somewhat luke- warm. Says chief of staff John Sununu- ''We were a little disappointed it was so hard to

get people to fulfill their commitment on spending cuts.''

A Marine who refused to board a plane when his unit was deployed to Saudi Arabia two months ago lost his bid Friday for conscientious objector status. Marine Corps officials at Kaneohe Air Station in Hawaii say Corporal Jeff Paterson's request was denied on the grounds that, among other things, he- quote- ''selectively chooses the wars he opposes.'' Paterson's court martial is scheduled to begin December 3rd.

A Salvadoran court spokesman says a judge postponed the murder trial of nine soldiers charged in the killing of six Jesuit priests... while authorities investigate new evidence that could implicate high-ranking government officials. The evidence stems from a statement by a former U- S military adviser in El Salvador, who said one of the nine Salvadoran soldiers charged in the case told him of the plan to kill the six priests. The statement was turned over to Salvadoran courts by the U-S government last week.

More than 55-thousand cars made by Ford, General Motors, Honda and Mazda are being recalled to check for possible air bag defects. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says the air bag inflators manufactured by T-R-W may have been damaged during aassembly and could result in malfunctions. While NO such problems have been reported by motorists, the agency recommends that drivers of recalled cars limit use of the vehicles until they are checked.

A pocket of polluted, smelly air hovering over Houston Friday sparked a flurry of concerned phone calls to the fire department. The odor so resembled natural gas that a bank and three schools near downtown were briefly evacuated after officials became convinced gas leaks were the source. But city officials say the cloud and odor were the result of a temperature inversion- cold air holding an area of pollution-filled warmer air against the earth's surface.

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#90300u0159 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 27) UPI - Radio and television pioneer William S. Paley, who founded CBS in 1928 and set many of the standards for the industry in news and entertainment, died Friday night. He was 89.

Paley, who invested $400,000 in a struggling radio network and turned it into one of the most powerful communications forces in the world, died at his Manhattan home, a CBS spokeswoman said.

He had been ill with pneumonia for two weeks and suffered a heart attack, the spokeswoman said.

Paley, who remained chairman of the network to his death, was a legendary media executive who cared about news and invested millions of dollars in covering events around the world.

The broadcast mogul served as chief executive officer and chairman of CBS for more than a half-century, wielding enormous power and brought his brand of news and entertainment into the homes of millions of Americans.

Paley gave the radio airwaves in the 1930s and 1940s such stars as Will Rogers Fred Allen, George Burns, Goodman Ace, Jack Benny, Bing Crosby and Frank Sinatra. He lured from rival NBC some of its most popular performers, including Eddie Cantor and Al Jolson, to give the radio network its reputation for wealth, power and glamor.

His impact on news was also immense. It was Paley's CBS that in 1935 hired Edward R. Murrow, who went on to cover World War II and assembled a team - called thew ''Murrow Boys'' - which later became the core of CBS News. In the 1950s and 1960s, CBS News had many of the best and brightest in the industry such as Walter Cronkite, Eric Sevareid and Howard K. Smith.

Paley was born Sept. 28, 1901, in Chicago, to Samuel and Goldie Paley. His father was a Russian immigrant. He graduated from Western Military Academy in Alton, Ill., in 1918 and briefly attended the University of Chicago. In 1922 he received a bachelor of science degree from the University of Pennsylvania and went to work managing his father's Philadelphia cigar factory. He was intrigued by radio.

''The first radio I ever saw was a primitive crystal set,'' he said. ''A friend clamped the earphones on me and I was dumbfounded. It was hard to believe that I was hearing music out of the air and I never got over the surprise and fascination.''

In 1928, at age 27, Paley paid $400,000 - which he had acquired through the family firm - for United Independent Broadcasters, a small, financially troubled New York radio network.

Within three years Paley's network - the Columbia Broadcasting System - passed the $2 million mark and he was on his way to become a very wealthy man.

In 1935 Paley hired Murrow as ''Director of Talks.'' His job was to hire personalities to give talks on CBS Radio. In 1937 Murrow was assigned to London as European director. Murrow was the entire European staff, which expanded later that year when Murrow hired William L. Shirer.

As events in Europe barreled toward World War II, CBS News expanded to meet the challenge and by 1938 had 10 domestic and 12 foreign bureaus.

During World War II, Paley served overseas as an information and psychological warfare specialist and reached the rank of colonel.

Following the war, Paley devoted his energies to the infant CBS Television

Network. In 1946, there were only 6,000 TV sets in the United States and CBS could reach only a few of them. Today, nearly all American homes have television sets and CBS can reach almost all of them.

It was in 1946, after CBS began to diversify, that Paley named Frank Stanton president and chief operating officer. Paley remained chairman and chief executive officer.

When Stanton moved to vice chairman, the CBS corporate headquarters began more than a decade of turbulence. Stanton's eventual successor, Arthur Taylor, served for about four years before being fired in 1976 in a personality clash with Paley.

Paley retired in 1983, remaining on the 14-member board of directors.

At the time, he owned nearly 2 million shares of CBS stock, worth about $74 million. He received $5.4 million in annual dividends and his private wealth was estimated at more than $500 million.

He reportedly held on to his CBS holdings, which in today's market would be worth several hundred million dollars.

Three years later - two weeks short of his 85th birthday - he again became chairman in what became known as the battle of the boardroom.

In a daylong board meeting Paley teamed with Lawrence Tisch, who had acquired 25 percent of CBS Inc., to force the ouster of Thomas H. Wyman as chairman, president and chief executive of CBS. Tisch became president and chief executive.

Paley's first wife was Dorothy Hart Hearst. The couple had a son and a daughter. They were divorced in 1947.

Later that year he married Barbara ''Babe'' Cushing, one of New York's best dressed and most respected socialites. She was the sister- in-law of publisher John Hay Whitney, who became one of Paley's best friends and the model for an aristocratic lifestyle that Paley was quick to adopt after marrying Babe.

She also gave him a son and daughter - Kate and William. Babe Paley died after a long bout with cancer in 1978, and although Paley was still considered one of New York's most eligible bachelors, he never remarried.

Paley was active in the arts and an active supporter of the Museum of Modern Art since 1937. In 1976 he founded the Museum of Broadcasting next to a midtown Manhattan pocket park named Paley Park, which he gave to the city.

Paley was known to be quick-tempered but charming. A longtime CBS employee, who asked to remain anonymous, said of him: ''He was a gentleman. He would be

as charming to the secretary he met in the elevator as to the powerful senator he was on his way to meet.''

The roster of CBS stars over the years also included Lucille Ball, Carol Burnett, Mary Tyler Moore, Red Skelton, Ed Sullivan, Arthur Godfrey, Jackie Gleason and many more.

Paley had a remarkable batting average but he was not infallible. In his 1979 autobiography, ''As It Happened,'' he repeats this conversation he had with Lucille Ball about Desi Arnaz:

''Lucy,'' I tried to explain as gently as possible, ''He's a bandleader, he can't act. What will we do with him?''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 27) UPI - Mayor Marion Barry, sentenced to six months in jail and a $5,000 fine for his conviction on a cocaine possession charge, will appeal the sentence, his lawyer said.

U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson, who handed down the sentence Friday, also ordered the three-term mayor to one year on probation after his release from prison and told him to undergo periodic drug testing.

Because he was convicted of a misdemeanor, Barry will not be forced to relinquish his office before his term ends Jan. 2. Under city law, he also can continue his bid for the at-large City Council seat in the Nov. 6 elections.

Barry would have been forced to step down if he had been convicted of a felony.

The mayor's wife, Effi, and his mother, Mattie Cummings, looked on as Barry stood before the judge next to one of his attorneys, Robert Mance.

Jackson found that Barry engaged in a ''willful attempt to obstruct justice'' by lying to a grand jury about his drug use, a charge which makes jail time mandatory under U.S. sentencing guidelines.

Jackson said he will let the government decide in which prison Barry will be incarcerated. He allowed Barry to remain free on his personal recognizance and told Barry he had the right to appeal.

''His breach of public service alone is of the highest consideration, '' Jackson said in delivering the sentence, adding that Barry gave ''aid, comfort and encouragement to the drug culture.''

As he stood before the judge, Barry said, ''I stand here remorseful and I ask this court to impose community service as a sentence.''

Before the sentencing, Barry told the judge he was nervous.

''My stomach is in knots,'' he said. ''I am prepared and have been prepared to take full responsibility for my actions. These actions were out of character.''

He admitted his former dependence to alcohol, valium, an anti- depressant and cocaine, saying, ''I believe I've led an exemplary life since Jan. 18,'' the day of his arrest. He said it was the 279th day he was free of any drug.

Paul Martin, a spokesman for the U.S. Sentencing Commission, said Barry must serve the entire six months in jail because federal sentencing guidelines that went into effect in 1987 abolished parole.

In addition, because Barry's sentence was under a year, he is not eligible for ''good time.''

''Six months is six months,'' Martin said. ''That's what he will have to serve.

''If the judge had not found obstruction of justice, he could've given (Barry) straight probation. But with obstruction there's a mandatory minimum jail sentence of two months, and it goes up to eight months.''

Defense attorney R. Kenneth Mundy said he was ''disappointed'' by the jail sentence, and added, ''The final chapter has not been written.''

''We will be appealing and we fully expect that the appeal process will take a little while.'' Mundy said.

He said Barry, who left the courthouse through a side door without speaking to reporters, was ''disappointed too.''

''He was disappointed, very honestly disappointed,'' Mundy said.

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Mundy declined to say whether he believed Barry's political career would be further harmed, but he did say that Barry had been used as a ''whipping boy'' and ''a scapegoat'' for the district's worsening drug problem.

But U.S. Attorney Jay Stephens told reporters at a news conference later that Barry's sentence was appropriate and ''well within the range of the maxiumum sentence provided by law.''

''In imposing the sentence the court emphasized that Mr. Barry had breached the public trust and contributed to this city's and our nation's most devastating drug problem,'' Stephens said. ''He has now been held accountable for his conduct.''

Stephens also denied that the government's recommendation that Barry be sentenced to a jail term instead of probation was racially or politically motivated.

''The decision to prosecute this case, the decision we made ask for the sentence was based on a range of factors such as breach of public trust and obstruction of justice,'' Stephens said. ''The totality of the conduct here justified the imposition of the sentence.''

In arguing for leniency, Mundy reminded Jackson that Barry is a first-time offender and that most defendants convicted on drug possession charges receive probation.

''I ask the court not to judge Mr. Barry as the government would have on evidence of unproven charges that the jury did not buy into,'' Mundy said. ''It's for the public to judge Marion Barry ... as to what his future role will be, if any.''

Prosecutor Judith Retchin said Barry's offense was ''hardly a simple misdemeanor committed by a first-time offender.'' She said evidence at his trial showed that for five years he engaged in ''a pervasive pattern of using illegal narcotics and using his position to obtain drugs.''

Barry's sentencing came 2 1/2 months after a jury convicted him on a single count of drug possession, acquitted him on another and deadlocked on 12 other counts.

Barry was arrested in a police ''sting'' operation at a Washington hotel in January. He was videotaped smoking crack-cocaine after a model and former girlfriend lured Barry to the hotel room.

Crowds of supporters and observers, including several city officials, gathered outside the federal courthouse Friday morning and offered their views on the sentencing.

''The judge was quite harsh on Marion Barry's attitude,'' said Paul Rothstein, a professor at Georgetown University Law Center. ''I think it is somewhat unrealistic to expect a working politician to grovel in the dust. But the judge did expect the mayor to acknowledge a little more responsibility than he did.''

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(OCT. 27) UPI - Wayne Gretzky did not want to hear comparisons of his 2,000 career points with feats in other sports. His assist on a Tomas Sandstrom goal in the first period Friday night was a milestone, but failed to lead the Los

Angeles Kings to a victory.

Gretzky's achievement was spoiled by Winnipeg's Thomas Steen, who assisted on four goals, leading the Jets to a 6-2 victory over the Kings in Winnipeg.

''At the point in time I got the point, it put us back in the hockey game,'' Gretzky said. ''Anytime you set a record, it's always nice to win.''

Gretzky, already the NHL's all-time scoring leader, became the first player in NHL history to score 2,000 points when he assisted on Sandstom's seventh goal of the year at 14:32 of the first period, with the Jets holding a 2-0 lead.

Gretzky, standing at his own blue line, fed the puck to Tony Granato at center ice. Granato flipped a pass to a streaking Sandstrom, who put the puck between the knees of goaltender Bob Essensa.

Gretzky resisted attempts to put his 2,000 points in perspective relative to Hank Aaron's 755 home runs or Pete Rose's 4,256 hits.

''It's tough to compare sports,'' he said. ''What they did were great accomplishments. They're difficult to compare. I'm sure they're proud of what they've accomplished and I'm proud of what I've done.''

The milestone came in Gretzky's 857th game over 12 years. Last season, he became the NHL's all-time scorer, breaking Gordie Howe's mark of 1,850 points. Notched 142 points, winning his eighth scoring title.

''It's nice to get it over with and get it done,'' he said. ''I'm happy with it, but obviously it would have been a more exciting night if we would have won.''

Winnipeg's victory was its third straight after losing six in a row and snapped the Kings' five-game winning streak.

Winnipeg jumped into a 2-0 lead early in the first period when Steen set up goals by Phil Housley and Fredrik Olausson. Housley opened the scoring with a power-play goal at 1:33 when he put a three-foot shot into a wide-open net. At 5:07, Olausson cut in from the corner to the right of Kelly Hrudey, deked the goalie, then slipped a short shot into the net.

Sandstrom cut the Jets lead to 2-1 with his goal at 14:32.

Pat Elynuik restored Winnipeg's two-goal lead at 15:57 of the second period with the Jets' second power-play goal. Steen passed to Olausson along the right boards and the defenseman sent the puck to Elynuik. He beat Hrudey with a wrist shot from the slot between the top of the faceoff circles.

The Kings controlled the opening minutes of the third period, but couldn't

beat Essensa, who robbed Scott Bjugstad three times and Luc Robitaille once.

Steen picked up his fourth assist at 12:52 of the third period when his rocket from the boards was deflected by Phil Sykes on the Jets' second shot of the period.

Bob Kudelski scored the Kings' second goal at 14:54 of the third period. But Winnipeg's Randy Carlyle scored at 17:44 and Paul Fenton added the Jets' third power-play goal at 19:22 to finish the scoring.

In the only other NHL game Friday night, Detroit outshot Minnesota 8- 6.

Red Wings 8, North Stars 6

At Detroit, Rick Zombo and Sergei Fedorov scored eight seconds apart early in the third period to break a tie and help the Red Wings remain unbeaten at home. With the score tied 4-4, Zombo scored his first goal of the season at 4:42 of the period after goaltender Kari Takko stopped shots by Bob Probert and Jimmy Carson. Eight seconds later, Fedorov converted Brent Fedyk's rebound.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 27) UPI - The House, breaking a 13-year stalemate, approved a landmark clean air bill that will require virtually every major industry to reduce emissions causing urban smog, acid rain, toxic hazards or ozone depletion.

The legislation, passed Friday on a 401-25 vote, is the first effort by Congress since 1977 to strengthen the federal Clean Air Act to address worsening air pollution that health experts say is killing or crippling tens of thousands of Americans each year with lung disease, cancer and birth defects.

''In passing this bill, Congress is adopting the most effective, comprehensive air pollution control program in the world,'' said Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif.

''We're putting the United States back where it always was and always should be - leading all countries in promoting policies that protect the health of our citizens and the future of our planet.''

But Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., and a handful of other opponents said lawmakers would regret burdening American industry with expensive new pollution controls.

''This legislation sounds good, but it's bad for the economy,'' he said. ''Let's junk this bill.''

The Senate was expected to act on the bill late Friday, but Sen. Steve Symms,

R-Idaho, a strong opponent of the legislation, raised objections and a vote was put off until Saturday.

Assuming Senate passage, White House officials have indicated President Bush will sign the bill into law, despite warnings from industry and several prominent economists that it will cost thousands of jobs and accelerate the nation's economic downturn.

Bush - the self-proclaimed ''environmental president'' - triggered congressional action by proposing a wide-ranging clean air plan in July 1989 that he said ''balanced'' costs and benefits.

His initiative was a major change from President Reagan, who steadfastly opposed clean air legislation throughout the 1980s, aggravating congressional gridlock.

The bill passed by the House emerged from 15 months of torturous deliberations marked by intense regional conflicts - especially over acid rain - and a titanic lobbying war between industry and environmental groups over how far and fast the nation should go in reducing pollution.

Among other objectives, the bill seeks by the turn of the century to:

-Clear the skies in most of the 96 cities where smog now exceeds federal health limits. Los Angeles, the nation's smoggiest city, and eight others would have until 2010 at the latest. To achieve those goals, the bill tightens pollution controls on factories and smaller facilities such as gasoline stations and print shops. It also requires automakers to reduce smog-forming and carbon monoxide emissions from cars and the oil industry to sell cleaner-burning ''reformulated'' gasoline in the dirtiest cities.

-Halve sulfur dioxide emissions from 111 coal-burning power plants in the Midwest, Southeast and Appalachia that have been identified as the major cause of acid rain damaging lakes, streams, forests and buildings in the Northeast and Canada.

-Achieve a 75 percent cut in 189 toxic or cancer-causing chemicals now routinely emitted by 250 different industrial sectors, ranging from large chemical plants and steel mills to corner dry cleaners and bakeries in badly polluted cities. Garbage and hospital incinerators also would be covered.

-Eliminate chlorofluorocarbons and three other widely used industrial substances that erode the Earth's protective ozone layer.

The bill's price tag is expected to be at least $25 billion a year by 2005, almost doubling the $32 billion now spent annually by industry to prevent air pollution. Industry lobbyists maintain the bill will cost $51 billion a year.

For the average American household, the legislation will mean by 1995 at least $100 a year in higher utility bills, gasoline prices, car costs and other pass-throughs to consumers of increased pollution control expenditures.

It also will throw thousands of Americans out work, with the biggest hit likely in the high-sulfur coal mines of Appalachia, which will see reduced demand from utilities facing acid rain cuts. Expensive toxic air pollution controls could force the shutdown of many aging steel and chemical plants.

In a first for environmental legislation, the bill includes a five- year, $250 million program to provide extended unemployment compensation benefits to workers who lose their jobs due to pollution reduction.

Bush initially threatened to veto the clean air bill over the worker- aid program, charging it set a bad precedent for future environmental legislation and could greatly increase the government's jobless aid spending. However, he appeared mollified by last-minute changes reducing the program's cost.

Bush is the author of another major innovation in the bill - a complex emission ''allowance'' trading system designed to ease the cost of acid rain cleanup and ensure pollution does not grow after 2000. The plan is seen as a test for other ''market-based'' concepts intended to give industry economic incentives for reducing pollution.

Automakers and the oil industry, two of the most powerful lobbies on Capitol Hill, persuaded lawmakers to kill another Bush idea to require production of millions of cars that can run on cleaner-burning alternative fuels such as natural gas and wood alcohol. However, farm lobbyists succeeded in inserting requirements for grain alcohol additives in reformulated gasoline.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 27) UPI - The House, heeding pleas from leaders of both parties, gave its approval Saturday to a massive deficit-reduction plan forged in three weeks of frantic bargaining and backed by President Bush.

The five-year, approximately $490 billion deficit trimming package that increases the tax burden on the rich, raises gasoline and excise taxes for all Americans and trims Medicare by about $43 billion was passed by a 228-200 vote. Later Saturday, the Senate was scheduled to take up the measure, which was completed late Friday.

The bipartisan plan succeeded in the same place an earlier compromise failed. A budget summit plan developed over months of bargaining between the White House and congressional leaders was killed Oct. 4.

Bush, taking an early morning swim off Waikiki Beach in Honolulu, said he as

'very pleased' about the House vote and expressed optimism that the Senate soon would complete work satisfactorily.

Asked if it was good to get the process behind him, Bush said, ''It sure is.''

The House's budget debate began about 1:40 a.m. EDT, with the grueling session culminating in a final vote for passage shortly before 7 a.m.

Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Calif., chairman of the House Budget Committee, said the plan would compensate for budgetary wrongdoing of the 1980s.

''We thought somehow that we could have it all, that we could cut taxes, we could raise defense spending, we could increase benefits and nobody would have to pay, that the bill would never become due,'' Panetta said. ''But the bill has become due and we have to pay it.''

Calling the compromise ''the largest and most effective deficit- reduction package in the history of this country,'' Panetta said failure to pass the plan would ''doom our economy to a deep recession, without question.''

Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, called the plan ''a responsible and balanced plan of shared sacrifice.''

House GOP leader Robert Michel of Illinois added, ''We're attempting to turn our backs on instant gratification, the curse of this institution, and subject ourselves to long overdue discipline.''

Many House GOP members opposed the package because of their disdain for higher taxes. Meanwhile, the 23 members of the Congressional Black Caucus announced they would vote against a deficit-reduction accord to protest Bush's veto of a major civil rights bill and the narrow Senate vote this week to sustain his rejection.

Some House members objected to the hurried, late-night consideration.

Rep. Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif, said, ''The American people are outraged by those who sneak up on them in the dead of night and take money out of their pockets.''

''The spending cuts are fake,'' added Rep. Christopher Cox, R-Calif. ''The savings are the same kinds of savings that Lucy Ricardo got from going to another sale: It's like putting on five coats and taking one off.''

''This is taxation,'' said Rep. Craig James, R-Fla. ''So admit it. It is not deficit reduction.''

Forty-seven Republicans voted with the plan, while 74 Democrats voted against it.

Late Friday, Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, chairman of the tax-writing Senate Finance Committee, said the package shifts America's tax burden largely off the middle class and onto the rich. He said an aim of the package was ''seeing that those who are best off, who are the wealthiest among us, pay their full, fair share.''

White House support for the plan remained intact, although rather tepid.

''We were a little disappointed it was so hard to get people to fulfill their commitment on spending cuts,'' said White House Chief of Staff John Sununu.

The package of tax hikes and spending cuts, expected to reduce the federal deficit by about $40 billion in its first year, fell about $10 billion short of the targeted $500 billion, an amount administration said would be the minimum acceptable.

''If it's an honest $490 billion, it might be all right,'' Sununu added. ''It's a number at the bottom of the page. But you've got to look at what's up top. We're trying to make sure that number is solid.''

The plan is designed to generate net tax revenue of $137.2 billion during the next five years.

The package, if approved, would raise the marginal income rate on the wealthiest Americans to 31 percent from 28 percent. Middle-income taxpayers would pay 28 percent and low-income taxpayers would be taxed at 15 percent, while limiting itemized deductions to 3 percent of income over $100,000.

The cut in Medicare, the health insurance program for the elderly, stood substantially below the $60 billion contained in the failed budget summit agreement and between the $49 billion cut contained in the original Senate budget plan and the $42 billion cut from the House version.

The tax plan also includes a 5-cents-a-gallon gasoline tax hike, a 10 percent tax on luxury items such as expensive cars, boats, furs and jewelry, a phased-in 8-cents-per-pack jump in cigarette taxes and a phaseout of personal exemptions for upper-income Americans. It raises the health insurance wage cap from $51,300 to $125,000 and includes some $2.5 billion in energy incentives, which the House version had deleted.

Bentsen said one large chunk of the missing $10 billion in deficit reduction came when $5 billion in savings was lost as a result of retaining the exemption for certain state and local government employees from paying into Medicare.

Congress is hoping to complete action on the plan by Saturday midnight, when a stopgap spending measure allowing for the operation of the federal government

expires. It is the fourth temporary spending measure in effect since the fiscal year started on Oct. 1.

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PARIS (OCT. 27) UPI - A Socialist deputy with links to President Francois Mitterrand's government said in an interview published Saturday that Iraq is ready to negotiate a compromise on its annexation of Kuwait.

Michel Beregevoy, a member of the Foreign Affairs Commission in the National Assembly and a brother of Finance Minister Pierre Beregevoy, said he had ''the feeling that Iraq is ready to negotiate'' and that he had learned this from unidentified Jordanian sources.

''From the Jordanian side, we have had the impression that there was the idea that one could find a compromise with Saddam Hussein for a partial liberation of Kuwait,'' Beregevoy told the newspaper Paris- Normandie.

''But I told my interlocuters that to accept the partial evacuation of Kuwait would be to give a prize to the aggressor.''

''I think that the evacuation must be total followed by a review at recognized international conferences of the distribution of frontiers. It is a question of principle,'' said the politician.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman said Saturday that 327 French hostages held in Kuwait and Iraq still are expected to return to France ''by the end of the weekend'' in spite of delays in Baghdad in arranging their departure.

However, the spokesman said the French nationals would not return before Sunday. He said the issuing of exit visas by Iraqi authorities ''is going well '' as well as arrangements for the return of 67 French who had been taken to strategic sites for use as human shields.

An Iraqi Airways airplane is expected to fly to Kuwait City to take French citizens there to Baghdad from where the other French will embark for Paris, he said.

It is likely that not all French citizens will return because some with dual nationality or who are married to Kuwaiti or Iraqi citizens want to stay behind.

The French government has advised all its citizens to take advantage of the pledge by Iraq to release all French hostages.

The spokesman declined to discuss the future of French diplomats besieged in the French Embassy at Kuwait.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 27) UPI - Here are the highlights of the legislation that is the core of the plan to cut $490 billion over 5 years years from the federal deficit:

The bill would save $362.3 billion over five years. The remainder comes from cuts in appropriation bills and resulting interest savings.

-Income Taxes: A new top tax rate of 31 percent. That would be an increase from 28 percent for about 600,000 highest income Americans and a cut from 33 percent for about 5.3 million upper-middle-income taxpayers.

-Deductions: A 3 percent limit on itemized deductions claimed by taxpayers with adjusted gross incomes higher than $100,000 a year.

-Exemptions: Gradual elimination of the $2,050 personal exemption for single people who earn more than $100,000 and couples filing jointly who earn more than $150,000.

-Gasoline taxes: A 5-cent-a-gallon increase in the federal gasoline tax.

-Sin taxes: Two-stage increase totalling 8 cents on a pack of cigarettes; $1 per ''proof gallon'' increase on liquor tax; increase from 16 to 32 cents on a six pack of beer; raise of 3 cents on a bottle of table wine.

-Luxury taxes: a 10 percent surtax on on cars over $30,000, boats over $100,000, airplanes over $250,000 and furs over $10,000.

-Health insurance tax: Raises the cap on income subject to the 1.45 percent Medicare tax from $51,300 to $125,000.

-State and local employees: Extends Social Security taxes to state and local employees without other pensions.

-Income tax credit: A five-year expansion of the earned income tax credit for the working poor.

-Oil: $2.5 billion in tax benefits for oil and gas drillers and $1.4 billion in tax breaks for small businesses over five years.

-Medicare: About $10 billion savings in Medicare by increasing the deductible from $75 to $100 and a gradual increase in premiums from $28.60 this year to $29.90 next year and $46.50 in 1995. About $34 billion in savings through reduced reimbursements to doctors and hospitals.

-Medicaid: The program of health insurance for the poor would realize savings of about $600,000 million over 5 years through drug discounts and from paying private insurance if it is cheaper, although providing expanded coverage for children, the frail elderly and the mentally retarded.

Farm: Savings through commodity program reforms and loan program reductions.

Fees: Increased fees for services from a number of agencies such as the Coast Guard, patent and trademark, customs and veterans housing

Veterans: Savings in veterans programs such as compensation, pensions, housing and medical care.

Airports: Increases Airport and Airway Trust Fund excise tax by 25 percent.

Telephones: Extends 3 percent excise tax, which would have ended, on telephone service.

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BEIJING (OCT. 27) UPI - China lodged a formal protest with Japan Saturday over a territorial dispute and a Japanese proposal to send non-combat military personnel to assist the U.S.-led international force in the Persian Gulf.

Chinese Vice Foreign Minister Qi Huaiyuan held an ''urgent meeting'' with Japanese Ambassador to China Hiroshi Hashimoto to express official displeasure over the two issues, according to a Foreign Ministry statement read over the state-run national television news broadcast.

The land in question is a group of eight tiny uninhabited islands located in the East China Sea between northern Taiwan and the Japanese- ruled Ryukyu islands.

Known as the Diaoyutai Islands in Chinese and the Senkaku Islands in Japanese, the potentially oil-rich islands are claimed by China, Japan and Taiwan and have provoked numerous disputes since the end of World War II.

The latest dispute flared up last week when a right-wing Japanese group sought recognition of a lighthouse built on one of the islands.

''Regrettably, the Japanese government has put aside mutual understanding,'' Qi told Hashimoto, reiterating Chinese claims of sovereignty over the disputed territory.

Unlike previous harsh statements in the official media, however, Qi suggested that Japan and China hold further negotiations on the issue and even consider the possibility of joint development of Diaoyutai resources.

Qi also addressed the volatile issue of 2,000 noncombat Japanese troops being sent to the Gulf, warning such action would ''raise a strong response from the Chinese people and those of every other Asian country hurt by Japanese militarism.''

Qi's remarks echoed earlier statements of alarm by the Chinese government over Tokyo's proposal, now under heated debate in Japan's Parliament.

''Chinese people are like people all over Asia,'' Qi warned Hashimoto. ''They still remember the grave disasters inflicted by Japanese militarists on Asian people.''

Qi said China urges the Japanese government to handle the issue ''prudently'' so as to avoid triggering harsh memories of the carnage wrought by Japan's invading armies during the 1930s and 1940s.

Although Japan maintains an army, navy and air force for defense of its shores the country's U.S.-supervised postwar constitution, adopted in 1947, prohibits the threat or use of force to resolve conflict.

The proposal to send support forces to the gulf has drawn criticism at home as well as from abroad.

Japan's two biggest opposition parties Tuesday boycotted hearings on the government's bill to authorize formation of what it calls the United Nations Peace Cooperation Corps.

As one of the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, China has supported an international embargo against Iraq that includes a ban on arms shipments, but has steadfastly voiced opposition to what it calls ''big power military involvement'' in the region.

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ELMONT, N.Y. (OCT. 27) UPI - Three horses entered in Breeders' Cup races were scratched Saturday morning, reducing to 83 the number of horses who will compete in the seven races.

Garden Gal, the 6-1 third choice in the Juvenile Fillies, Deposit Ticket, part of an entry at 4-1 in the Juvenile, and Distant Relative, the 7-2 second choice in the Mile, were all late scratches.

The three join Gorgeous, the morning line 5-1 third choice in the Distaff, on the sidelines. Gorgeous was scratched Friday after sustaining a chip in her left front knee after a workout.

Garden Gal suffered a stone bruise on her left front foot and was scratched as a precaution.

''We found it after she had breezed through the stretch yesterday,'' trainer Brian Mayberry said Saturday morning. ''It's not a serious type of thing, and if it had happened four days ago instead of the day before the race, we probably could have run.''

Trainer Barry Hills withdrew Distant Relative after the colt injured his left foreleg.

The colt ''aggravated an old injury in training on Thursday,'' Hills said Saturday. ''The injury was first sustained as a 2-year-old and there is some slight inflamation to the check ligament, but he should be all right in a couple of days.

''I'm desperately disappointed,'' said Hills, ''but the horse's well- being is the first consideration.''

The D. Wayne Lukas stable gave no reason for the scratch of Deposit Ticket, but they did have a horse break down in training earlier this week. Hey Hey Paula was humanely destroyed after breaking sesamoid bones in one of her legs.

Gorgeous suffered her injury after a Friday workout.

''She galloped the best I've ever seen her yesterday,'' trainer Neil Drysdale said Saturday, ''but as she was cooling out on the ring I noticed her nod and I said 'Oh, no.' Gradually it got worse.

''The vet (Dr. Tom Gorman) said something about horses getting a little more brittle when the weather suddenly turns cold. The race came one day too late.''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 27) UPI - Here are the main elements of the compromise clean air bill approved Saturday:

Acid Rain

Requires 111 large coal-burning power plants, mainly in the Midwest, Southeast and Appalachia, to reduce acid rain emissions by 10 million tons below 1980 levels within 10 years, about a 50 percent cut. It also requires those plants to cut nitrogen oxide emissions by roughly 2 million tons. Sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide are the main ''precursor'' pollutants linked to acid rain that has damaged lakes, streams, forests and buildings in the Northeast and Canada.

Emission Allowance Trading System

Sets up an emission ''allowance'' trading system to ensure acid rain emissions do not grow after the year 2000. It also is intended to help cushion the cost of pollution control for utilities facing major reductions. Under the system, each plant would be allowed to emit a set amount of pollution. Those that reduce emissions below their assigned levels can free up emission allowances that then can be sold to other utilities seeking to expand coal-burning capacity. Plants that exceed their pollution limits are subject to penalties of $2,000 per ton of emissions.

Toxic Air Pollution

Requires some 250 different industries to reduce emissions of 189 types of different toxic and cancer-causing pollutants by at least 75 percent within 10 years. A wide range of facilities is affected, ranging from big chemical plants and oil refineries to smaller commercial operations such as dry cleaners and bakeries in heavily polluted cities. The section also applies to industrial, hospital and municipal garbage incinerators. The Environmental Protection Agency would require an initial round of cuts based on the ''maximum achievable (emission) control technology'' available for each affected industry. The EPA then would review remaining emissions and decide whether a second round of cuts was needed to assure ''residual risk'' to those living near a plant is not excessive. The EPA is required to assure the most exposed individual has an ''ample margin of safety,'' which the courts have interpreted as a cancer risk no greater than 1 in 10,000.

Urban Smog

Tightens controls on volatile organic compounds and nitrogen oxides from factories and commercial operations in the 96 cities where smog now exceeds federal health limits. In the smoggiest cities, the bill would cover smaller facilities such as gasoline stations not subject to emission limits under current law. The bill sets a clean-up schedule for all non-complying cities, with most urban areas required to take steps to come into compliance within three, six or nine years, with dirtier cities getting more time. Five cities with ''severe'' smog would have until 2005: Chicago, Milwaukee, Philadelphia, San Diego and Muskegon, Mich. Three slightly smoggier cities, New York, Houston and Baltimore, would have until 2007 while Los Angeles, the nation's dirtiest city, would have until 2010. The bill also contains measures to reduce carbon monoxide, which exceeds federal health standards in 41 cities, and soot, which is at unhealthful levels in 70 cities.

Automobile Pollution

Requires automakers to roughly halve by the mid-1990s tailpipe emissions that cause urban smog. A second round of cutbacks after the year 2000 could be imposed by the EPA if the agency deemed it necessary and ''technologically feasible.'' Reductions in carbon monoxide emissions would be required as well.

The bill also requires the car industry to begin development of new low-polluting vehicles to be sold as part of a pilot program in California. However, that requirement apparently could be met with new-generation gasoline-powered cars and would not force automakers to mass produce cars that can run on cleaner- burning alternative fuels, such as natural gas or wood alcohol. Operators of commercial fleets of 10 vehicles or more may have switch to non-gasoline fuels.

Alternative Fuels

Requires the oil industry to produce ''cleaner-burning'' reformulated gasoline that contains ethanol, a derivative of corn, and less contaminants. The gasoline must be available in cities with excessive carbon monoxide pollution by 1994 at the latest. The new blends must be sold in the nation's nine smoggiest cities by 1995. The gasoline must have 15 percent less smog-forming compounds by 1995 and 20 percent by 2000.

Ozone-Depleting Chemicals

Phases out production of chlorofluorocarbons, or CFCs, by 2000. CFCs are widely used as cleaning solvents for computer chips, refrigerants and in the production of foam products. The 2000 deadline also applies to halons, widely used in fire extinguishers, and carbon tetrachloride, a cleaning solvent. A phaseout deadline of 2002 is set for methyl chloroform, another solvent. Elimination of hydrochlorofluorocarbons, a less ozone-depleting substitute for CFCs, is required by 2030.

Worker Assistance

Authorizes a five-year, $250 million program to help workers who lose their jobs as a result of pollution reduction requirements imposed by the bill. The program allows displaced workers to continue receiving unemployment compensation beyond their normal six-month allotment providing they enter a retraining program within the first 13 weeks of receiving benefits. The extended benefits will last as long as a worker is undergoing retraining.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 27) UPI - Here is a state-by-state list of the 111 coal-burning power plants, primarily in the Midwest, Appalachia and Southeast, that would be required to reduce acid rain emissions under the clean air bill approved Saturday:

Alabama
Colbert, E.C. Gaston.

Florida

Big Bend, Crist, Bartow.

Georgia
Bowen, Hammond, J. McDonough, Wansley, Yates.

Illinois
Baldwin, Coffeen, Grand Tower, Hennepin, Joppa Steam, Kincaid, Meredosia, Vermilion.

Indiana
Bailly, Breed, Cayuga, Clifty Creek, E.W. Stout, F.B. Culley, F.E. Ratts, Gibson, H.T. Pritchard, Michigan City, Petersburg, R. Gallagher, Tanners Creek, Wabash River, Warrick.

Iowa
Burlington, Des Moines, George Neal, M.L. Kapp, Prairie Creek, Riverside.

Kansas
Quindaro.

Kentucky
Coleman, Cooper, E.W. Brown, Elmer Smith, Ghent, Green River, H.L. Spurlock, Henderson II, Paradise, Shawnee.

Maryland
Chalk Point, C.P. Crane, Morgantown.

Michigan
J.H. Campbell.

Minnesota
High Bridge.

Mississippi
Jack Watson.

Missouri
Asbury, James River, Labadie, Montrose, New Madrid, Sibley, Sioux, Thomas Hill.

New Hampshire
Merrimack.

New Jersey
B.L. England.

New York

Dunkirk, Greenidge, Milliken, Northport, Port Jefferson.

Ohio
Ashtabula, Avon Lake, Cardinal, Conesville, Eastlake, Edgewater, Gen. J.M. Gavin, Kyger Creek, Miami Fort, Muskingum River, Niles, Picway, R.E. Burger, W.H. Sammis, W.C. Beckjord.

Pennsylvania
Armstrong, Brunner Island, Cheswick, Conemaugh, Hatfield's Ferry, Martins Creek, Portland, Shawville, Sunbury.

Tennessee
Allen, Cumberland, Gallatin, Johnsonville.

West Virginia
Albright, Fort Martin, Harrison, Kammer, Mitchell, Mount Storm.

Wisconsin
Edgewater, La Crosse-Genoa, Nelson Dewey, N. Oak Creek, Pulliam, S. Oak Creek.

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(OCT. 27) UPI - Debate got under way early today among lawmakers in the House on a bipartisan deficit reduction plan that has White House support. House Budget Committee chief Leon Panetta, a California Democrat, argued in favor of the plan. He told lawmakers the cuts are painful and involve sacrifice, but he says it is the only way to erase a budget deficit approaching 300-BILLION dollars.

Congress, for the first time since 1977, acted to strengthen the federal Clean Air Act. The House yesterday approved a clean air bill and the Senate is expected to vote on the landmark measure today. If the bill passes the Senate, White House officials indicate President Bush likely will sign the measure into law. The House approved the measure 401-25.

The State Department warns Americans overseas of an increased risk of terrorism in Europe and the Middle East. An advisory issued yesterday says U-S officials received information believed to be credible regarding a possible terrorist threat to passenger ships in the eastern Mediterannean Sea. It said the Abu Nidal Organization repeatedly threatened to strike U-S interests if a member of the group, Mahmoud Attac, is extradited from the United States to Israel.

The man who set many of the standards for the broadcast industry has died. C-B-S founder and chairman William Paley died of a heart attack last night in New York City, after a two-week bout with pneumonia. He was 89. The broadcast

mogul served as chief executive officer and chairman of C-B-S for more than half a century... bringing his brand of news and entertainment into the homes of Millions of Americans.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 27) UPI - Here are compliance schedules set by the clean air bill for the 96 cities now violating federal health standards for ozone smog. This is the anticipated classification of cities as determined by the Environmental Protection Agency, starting with the most polluted areas:

Extreme - Deadline for compliance 2010 Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, Calif.

Severe 2 - Deadline 2007 Baltimore, Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, Texas; New York City-New Jersey-Long Island.

Severe 1 - Deadline 2005 Chicago-Gary, Ind.,-Lake County, Wis.; Milwaukee-Racine, Wis.; Muskegon, Mich.; Philadelphia-Wilmington, Del. -Trenton, N.J.; San Diego.

Serious - Deadline 1999 Atlanta; Bakersfield, Calif.; Baton Rouge, La.; Beaumont-Port Arthur, Texas; Boston-Lawrence, Mass.,-Salem, N.H.; El Paso, Texas; Fresno, Calif.; Hartford-New Britain-Middletown, Conn.; Huntington, W.Va.- Ashland, Ky., and Ohio suburbs; Parkersburg, W.Va.,-Marietta, Ohio; Portsmouth, Maine,-Dover-Rochester, N.H.; Providence-Pawtucket-Fall River, R.I.; Sacramento, Calif.; Sheboygan, Wis.; Springfield, Mass.; Washington, D.C., Va., Md.

Moderate - Deadline 1996 Atlantic City, N.J.; Charleston, W.Va.; Charlotte-Gastonia, N.C.,- Rock Hill, S.C.; Cincinnati; Cleveland; Dallas; Dayton-Springfield, Ohio; Detroit; Edmonson County, Ky.; Grand Rapids, Mich.; Greensboro- Winston-Salem-High Point, N.C.; Jefferson County, N.Y.; Kewaunee County, Wis.; Knox County, Maine; Louisville, Ky., Ind.; Memphis, Tenn., and Arkansas and Mississippi suburbs; Miami-Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Modesto, Calif.; Nashville, Tenn.; Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, Pa.; Portland, Maine; Raleigh-Durham, N.C.; Reading, Pa.; Richmond-Petersburg, Va.; Salt Lake City-Ogden, Utah.; San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, Calif.; Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc, Calif.; Smyth County, Va.; St. Louis; Toledo, Ohio; Visalia-Tulare-Porterville, Calif.; Worcester, Mass.

Marginal - Deadline 1993 Albany-Schenectady-Troy, N.Y.; Allentown-Bethlehem, Pa.; Altoona, Pa.; Birmingham, Ala.; Buffalo-Niagara Falls, N.Y.; Canton, Ohio; Columbus, Ohio; Erie, Pa.; Essex County, N.Y.; Evansville, Ind., and Kentucky suburbs; Fayetteville, N.C.; Greenbriar County, W.Va.; Greenville-Spartanburg, S.C.; Hancock County, Maine; Harrisburg-Lebanon- Carlisle, Pa.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol, Tenn.; Johnstown, Pa.; Kansas City, Mo., Kan., Knoxville, Tenn.; Lake Charles, La.; Lancaster, Pa.; Lewiston-Auburn,

Maine; Lexington-Fayette, Ky.; Lincoln County, Maine; Livingston County, Ky.; Manchester, N.H.; Montgomery, Ala.; Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News, Va.; Owensboro, Ky.; Poughkeepsie, N.Y.; Scranton-Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; South Bend-Mishawaka, Ind.; Stockton, Calif.; Sussex County, Del.; Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Fla.; Waldo County, Maine,;York, Pa.; Youngstown-Warren, Ohio.

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(OCT. 27) UPI - Now there are more Great Books. Publishers of Great Books of the Western World, Enclyclopaedia Britannica, announced the expansion and revision of the set of books whose uniform editions have graced living rooms since 1952. The new set features 130 authors, up from 74. Four female great thinkers break the gender barrier to be included in the formerly all-male club of authors. The women are Jane Austen, George Eliot, Willa Cather and Virginia Woolf.

A new report indicates anti-Semitism is on the decline around the nation, but is 17 percent higher among blacks than whites. The 34-page report was issued yesterday by the American Jewish Committee whose National Executive Council is meeting in St. Louis. The report is the first review of research done since the 1960s on the characteristics and development of black anti-Semitism.

The tallest national monument in the United States has its 25th anniversary tomorrow as the ''Gateway to the West.'' It's the Gateway Arch of St. Louis. City officials plan a parade called ''March to the Arch,'' in celebration of the 630-foot tall, stainless steel arch. The first section was erected February 13th, 1963... two years after the death of the Finnish-born architect who designed it. It was completed October 28th, 1965.

A study reveals the percentage of disposable income most Americans give to support their churches and missions is falling. The data suggests churches are barely holding their own in raising money for missions and other requirements. The study was done for the North American Conference of Christian Philanthropy. It shows a drop in giving based on the percentage of disposable income. Officials say if the trend continues, that by the turn of the century, the amount of disposable income people give to their churches will fall below two percent.

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Gusty winds howled through the northern Plains Saturday as sunshine warmed the Midwest and dense fog hugged the West Coast.

Wind speeds reached 45 mph in North Dakota as a low-pressure system tracked through southern Canada, the National Weather Service said. Gusts spawned by a

rapidly moving cold front hit 30 mph along the Mississippi River.

Sunshine and cloudless skies in the Midwest states pushed temperatures into the 50s. St. Louis hit 62 under partly cloudy skies and Chicago reached into the mid-50s before noon.

Clear, sunny skies covered New York state, with temperatures in the low to mid 40s. Similar weather was forecast for Sunday.

Dense fog enveloped the California coast Saturday morning, blanketing airport runways and cutting visibility on freeways to about 50 feet in some areas.

The fog gave way to sunny skies and temperatures in the mid-80s and low-90s in the southern part of the state. Rain was predicted in northernmost California, where the mercury crept toward the 60s and 70s.

Less than 48 hours after broiling in record 90-degree heat, southern Florida woke up to an unusual fall chill. Hollywood, Fla., dipped to 58 degrees early Saturday, beating a 1968 mark by 1 degree.

Record lows were recorded Friday in Miami, Miami Beach, Fort Lauderdale, Hollywood, West Palm Beach, Melbourne and Fort Myers, with temperatures dipping to 48 in Melbourne and the 50s in the other cities.

Much of the deep south experienced clear but unusually cold weather Saturday. Highs in Atlanta were expected to reach no higher than the 50s Saturday after overnight lows dipped into the low 30s, leaving a mild frost.

The NWS called for sunny, mild days and clear, cool nights through the middle of the week, with lows in the upper 30s or 40s Monday, rising into the 40s to lower 50s by Wednesday.

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#90300u0413 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

HONOLULU (OCT. 27) UPI - President Bush, mixing diplomacy with politics in a welcomed escape from Washington, summoned the leaders of 11 tiny Pacific island nations Saturday for an unusual conference.

Billed by the administration as an unprecedented gathering of the strategic Pacific Basin nations, but one with no set agenda or expectation of decisions or big announcements, Bush wedged the five-hour summit meeting into the middle of a four-day political swing out West.

Whipsawed by near-disastrous budget talks and a plunge in his popularity with less than two weeks until the Nov. 6 elections, Bush again turned to the foreign policy arena, where he has acknowledged he is the most at ease.

On Friday, shortly before heading to the tropical resort for the brief meeting likely followed by a round of golf, Bush could hardly contain his glee at escaping the confines of the nation's capital.

''God, it's nice to be out of Washington,'' he told a Los Angeles fund-raiser. Arriving in Hawaii, he reiterated that with fervor, welcoming the ''warmer climes and cooler heads.''

Set at the University Of Hawaii's East-West Center, Bush was ready to convene the session Saturday morning, first welcoming the leaders, posing for a ''class photo'' and having lunch after the one scheduled session. Officials acknowledged up front the gathering was not expected to produce any major new initiatives, or really invite too much controversy among the participants, though a U.S. program to destroy deadly chemical weapons nearby has caused dissension.

The meeting did, however, offer the beleaguered president a sunny reprieve from the past week's intense bickering and partisan finger- pointing in the budget talks.

Addressing a fund-raiser late Friday for Rep. Pat Saiki, R-Hawaii, Bush said the session was long overdue.

''I think it's a good time and I think it's about time that an American president sat down with the heads of these countries out there and told them we are one in our respect for and love of the Pacific,'' Bush said.

An administration official, briefing reporters before Bush headed West, described the session more as a chance for the often-neglected leaders in the key area to talk personally with the president.

''The way the island leaders deal with issues is through discussions, getting together, having a chance to sit down and just schmooze things out,'' said the official, who asked not to be identified. ''And I think that's the general perspective of this.''

Thirteen leaders were invited by Bush for the session, though not all were able to attend. Among those listed by the White House as expected were Prime Minister Geoffrey Henry of the Cook Islands, Prime Minister Ratu Sir Kamisese Mara of Fiji, President Ieremia Tabai of Kiribati, President Amata Kabua of the Marshall Islands, President John Haglelgam of Micronesia, President Bernard Dowiyogo of Nauru, Prime Minister Rabbie Namaliu of Papua New Guineau, Prime Minister Bikenibeu Paeniu of Tuvalu and Prime Minister Tofilau Eti Alesana of Western Samoa.

King Taufa'ahau Tupou of Tonga, Premier Robert Rex of Niue, Prime Minister Solomon Mamaloni of the Solomon Islands and Prime Minister Walter Hayde Lini of Vanuatu were not expected to attend but planned to send representatives.

The 13 nations, accounting for a total population of 5.1 million, receive only $20 million in aid from the United States - $10 million in development assistance and the rest from tuna treaty licensing fees in the regions.

Though hinting that a push for more private investment might be forthcoming, the official said, ''There will not be what you would probably characterize as a major initiative.''

High among the topics likely to be discussed was the crisis in the Persian Gulf and how many of the island countries, most the size of a typical New England state, have fared since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 and sent the price of oil skyrocketing.

''They've all been hit by very substantial rises in oil prices,'' the administration official said. And while lending their own efforts to the international collaboration to force Iraq out of Kuwait, ''they are part of this broad problem,'' he said.

Economic aid, of course, was expected at the table, though the official indicated the administration was more likely to ''look to the Overseas Private Investment Corp.,'' or OPIC, for any move to encourage private sector investment.

Environmental issues also were expected to arise, as many islands have questioned the administration's attempt to delay international action on global warming and expressed concern about Bush's move to eliminate chemical weapons.

One area of concern, the official said, was a possible rise in the sea level that would be devastating for a small island. ''There are estimates that if there was sea rise of about a meter, a number of the countries would disappear since they are not many feet above sea level, '' the official said.

Of special concern on that front also is the U.S. chemical weapons disposal system at Johnston Atoll, built to detroy obsolete chemical weapons at the island 825 miles west southwest of Hawaii.

The plant, which began destroying weapons in July, is supposed to serve as a prototype for simliar plants in the future at eight mainland sites.

Many Pacific nations fear an accident could pollute the entire basin and they have accused the military of using the Pacific as a ''dumping ground'' for these weapons.

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#90300u0432 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 27) UPI - William Paley once said he ''never got over the surprise and fascination'' of hearing sound come out of a radio. The radio and television pioneer died of a heart attack last night at his Manhattan home. Paley was 89.

Marion Barry did NOT get his desired sentence during a hearing in front of a federal judge. The Washington, D-C, mayor asked for community service... but was instead sentenced yesterday to six months in jail for a drug conviction.

A California madam is among the witnesses scheduled to testify in the Dallas trial of failed savings and loan figure Don Dixon. Dixon is accused of using depositor funds to pay for prostitutes and support a lavish lifestyle.

A New York judge refused to interrupt an ongoing rape trial and allow a black activist lawyer to take over the defense of one youth accused in the attack of a Central Park jogger. The trial will resume Monday morning.

New Zealand Prime Minister Mike Moore's Labor Party is conceding defeat in general elections today. Initial results point to a landslide victory for the National Party, led by Jim Bolger.

William Bennett says he spoke his mind, ''now it's up to Alaskans to make up theirs.'' President Bush's drug enforcer spent the past two days urging Alaskans to outlaw marijuana when the issue comes to a vote next month.

A New Hampshire Senate candidate is defending his accustions that his Republican opponent accepted donations from- quote- ''Japs.'' John Durkin told reporters- quoting again- ''It's NOT a racist comment. It's true.''

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#90300u0436 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (OCT. 27) UPI - Election-related violence left at least 23 people dead and 40 injured Saturday as Pakistanis voted for provincial governments three days national elections were won by opponents of ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto.

Reports from around the country indicated turnout was far lower than in the National Assembly elections. The government's Election Commission said 44.5 percent of the 48 million registered voters cast ballots on Wednesday, but many observers disputed this figure as too high.

Voters Saturday elected 483 legislators to assemblies in Pakistan's four provinces of Punjab, Sind, Northwest Frontier and Baluchistan.

The Election Commission said at least 23 people were killed and 40 wounded in clashes throughout the country between supporters of rival parties.

Police said they arrested a former PPP National Assembly legislator, Shahnawaz

Junejo, in Sind on Friday on charges of attempted murder of his election opponent, Jam Mashuque Ali, son of the caretaker chief minister of Sind.

Tight security was in force for Saturday's vote, with tens of thousands of troops on the streets throughout the country.

Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party hoped to win at least in its stronghold of southern Sind, where it achieved a massive majority in the last provincial elections in November 1988 and from where it could challenge the authority of the Islamabad government.

In Wednesday's vote, the Islamic Democratic Alliance, a disparate army-backed coalition of parties opposed to Bhutto, scored an unexpected and decisive victory over the PPP.

Bhutto has charged the victory was achieved as a result of ''gross rigging,'' but agreed to take part in the provincal elections.

However, a 40-member team from the National Democratic Institute, based in Washington D.C., sent to monitor Wednesday's elections said Friday it had no evidence to substantiate Bhutto's charges of mass fraud.

Bhutto, 37-year-old daughter of hanged prime minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, has drawn massive and emotional crowds at rallies across the country in the past few weeks in an outpouring of support many observers said exceeded that of the campaign for the November 1988 elections.

The PPP won those elections, the first democratic polls in the country since 1977. Many analysts had predicted a similar result on Wednesday and expressed astonishment at the IDA's massive victory.

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan sacked Bhutto's 20-month-old government on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to control law and order and dissolved the National Assembly. He appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi to head an interim government until the elections.

The president also set up Special Disqualification Courts to try Bhutto and members of her administration on corruption charges. If found guilty they could be barred from politics for seven years.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 27) UPI - At 3:10 a.m. EDT Saturday, Republican House members gave a standing ovation to a colleague who took to the floor to defend himself against charges of financial wrongdoing.

Five minutes later, both Democrats and Republicans gave a standing ovation to

a retiring eight-term congresswoman from Nebraska.

There were no standing ovations, however, for the real late, late show that kept the members of the House up past anyone's bedtime: consideration of the compromise budget plan forged just hours earlier by leaders of both parties and representatives from the Bush administration.

The House began debate at about 1:40 a.m. About 75 minutes later, after a procedural vote, the House suspended its consideration on the complex five-year deficit-reduction plan while staff members feverishly sought to produce copies of the package so members actually could see the bill about which they were preparing to cast a vote. At about 4:10 a.m., tired aides carried the 1,500-page bill to the floor for the 433 House members to share.

In the interim, the House, in the waning hours of the 101th Congress, considered such pressing topics as National PTA Week, National Medal of Honor Day and a commemorative coin.

The final vote on the budget plan came shortly before 7 a.m., putting an end to a thoroughly bizarre night on Capitol Hill.

''This is a sad night in the House of Represenatatives,'' Rep. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., said. ''When prisoners are held, they are made more compliant by two techniques: deny them sleep and deny them information.''

Some House members slumped over in their chairs from exhaustion, while others nodded off on the floor of the august chamber.

Rep. John Kasich, R-Ohio, accused the House leadership of ''fighting a war of attrition.''

''Basically, they just hope everybody will either fall asleep or fall over before the time comes to vote and they'll be enough people left standing who will vote for the package,'' Kasich said.

Rep. Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif., likened the late-night session to a mugging of the public.

''The American people are outraged by those who sneak up on them in the dead of night and take money out of their pockets,'' Rohrabacher said.

Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Calif., chairman of the House Budget Committee, appealed for bipartisanship.

''I do recognize that we're tired and exhausted and it's been a long road,'' he said. ''Maybe for just one moment in this session ... we could set aside the political differences and the partisan attacks and all of the finger-pointing and all the excuses and, maybe for just that moment, focus on

the interest of the country.''

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#90300u0457 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 27) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Virginia (39) (7-0)	814	1
2.	Nebraska (14) (7-0)	767	3
3.	Auburn (3) (5-0-1)	710	5
4.	Notre Dame (5-1)	692	6
5.	Illinois (5-1)	524	9
6.	Washington (6-1)	503	12
7.	Brigham Young (5-1)	419	10
8.	Colorado (6-1-1)	389	14
9.	Miami (4-2)	382	2
10.	Tennessee (4-1-2)	305	4
11.	Florida State (4-2)	260	7
12.	Georgia Tech (5-0-1)	208	11
13.	Iowa (5-1)	190	19
14.	Texas (4-1)	189	15
15.	Mississippi (6-1)	129	18
16.	Wyoming (8-0)	101	17
17.	Clemson (6-2)	29	22
18.	Michigan (3-3)	24	8
19.	Texas Christian (5-1)	22	19
20.	Southern Cal (5-2)	16	13
21.	Arizona (5-2)	13	NR
22.	Oregon (5-2)	9	24
23.	Louisville (6-1-1)	8	25
24.	Penn State (4-2)	5	NR
25.	Texas A&M (4-2-1)	4	21

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: California, Michigan State, Minnesota, Southern Mississippi.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances or postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches.

Those schools are Florida, Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

-30- 2033

#90300u0477 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 27) UPI - Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov arrived in Baghdad Saturday for talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein following indications the United States is considering ending the Persian Gulf crisis with a military strike.

Sources have said U.S. Secretary of State James Baker will travel to Saudi Arabia next week to discuss the possibility of a preemptive strike to drive Iraqi forces from occupied Kuwait. Washington officials confirmed Baker will visit the kingdom but would not say what he would discuss with Saudi leaders.

In New York, after seesaw trading on reports about both war and peace in the Middle East, oil prices fell in a confused market Friday, with the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude closing at $33.01 a barrel after trading as high as $35.40 and low as $32.85 a barrel.

Primakov, who is seeking a peaceful solution to the crisis, told reporters in Baghdad he was not carrying a message to Saddam from any of the world leaders he has met with in recent weeks.

The high-ranking Soviet envoy first met with Saddam Oct. 5 and his optimistic outlook raised hopes a settlement could be reached through negotiation.

But Primakov said Friday after a meeting in Cairo with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak that Iraq should not be rewarded for its aggression.

''I am convinced that we can change the situation entirely without resorting to the military option,'' Primakov said after meeting Mubarak.

''(But) we must not reward anyone for what he has done,'' he added, in a veiled reference to reports he was negotiating a peace plan by which Iraq would withdraw from Kuwait in return for two strategic Kuwaiti islands in the gulf.

The report, denied by Moscow and Baghdad, was criticized by many world leaders who said the withdrawal from Kuwait must be unconditional.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev said Saturday that Saddam would be ''very much mistaken'' if he thinks he can come between nations that opposed his takeover of Kuwait and skirt the U.N.-approved embargo in the gulf.

''The world community has acted in a uniform, decisive and united manner. President Hussein cannot base his calculations on the idea that he can separate us from each other.,'' Gorbachev said during a visit to Spain.

Despite Primakov's meeting Oct. 5 with Saddam in Baghdad, the Soviet envoy was not acting as a mediator between the Iraq president and other world leaders, an Egyptian official said, but was seeking to discover a peaceful solution to the crisis.

State-owned Cairo Radio said Primakov would be in Baghdad Saturday and would probably meet Saddam and other Iraqi leaders. Baghdad Radio made no comment on an impending visit.

The Soviet Union has not joined the U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the gulf to counter Iraqi aggression, but it has supported U.N. resolutions demanding a complete withdrawal from Kuwait and has said it would join any U.N.-backed effort to oust the Iraqis from the emirate.

President Bush will travel to Saudi Arabia on Thanksgiving Day to spend the holiday with U.S. troops, administration officials said. The trip will come near the end of a 10-day trip to Europe and the Middle East.

The president will join the American troops for a traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings. He will spend a few hours in the oil-rich kingdom before traveling to Egypt.

The State Department late Friday issued a warning to Americans overseas that the risks of terrorism in Europe and the Middle East were increasing.

Baghdad Radio reported Saturday that Jordan's prime minister gave Saddam a message in Baghdad from King Hussein, but did not reveal its contents. It said Saddam sent Hussein a message of thanks for his stand in the crisis.

Jordan, which has had a spotty record on compliance with economic sanctions imposed by the United Nations against Iraq, has halted several shipments of food and medicine bound for Iraq in recent days.

Also Saturday, the exiled oil minister of Kuwait accused Iraq of stealing hundreds of millions of dollars worth of oil equipment from the occupied emirate and said Kuwait was losing $60 million a day in lost oil exports.

Rashid Al Ameeri also said Kuwait had $100 billion in foreign investment that allowed the government-in-exile to operate in the aftermath of the invasion, according to a report from Egypt's semi- official Middle East News Agency.

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#90300u0492 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 27) UPI - The House this morning approved a massive budget deficit-cutting plan that raises taxes for the rich, trims Medicare by 43-BILLION dollars, and hikes gasoline and excise taxes. The House passed the

measure by a 228-200 vote. It's now up to the Senate to tackle the bipartisan package later today.

Friends of family of the longest held U-S hostage in Lebanon, Terry Anderson, issued a new appeal for his release today... his 43rd birthday. A letter from Anderson's sister, Peggy Say, to his kidnappers was published today in a Beirut paper. He was taken captive by pro- Iranian Moslem fundamentalists five and one-half years ago.

A Saudi newspaper says Egypt is refusing to allow some planes from Sudan to cross its airspace as a feud escalates between the two African nations. Cairo officials refuse to comment on reports Sudan Air was told Egyptian airspace will be closed to flights from Sudan to Jordan. Sudan and Jordan took a sympathetic stand to Iraq in the Persian Gulf crisis.

The broadcast entertainment and news industry is mourning the death of radio and t-v pioneer William Paley. He died last night of a heart attack in his Manhattan apartment in New York, after a two-week bout with pneumonia. Paley founded C-B-S and guided the network as its boss for more than 50 years.

The State Department says relief supplies are trickling into Monrovia, Liberia as fighting in the African nation's civil war moves from the capital. U-S officials report 50 people die each day in Monrovia from typhoid, typhus and cholera. Officials say the health problems are complicated by thousands of UNburied corpses from the war that raged in Monrovia's streets.

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(OCT. 27) UPI - A Marine seeking to avoid duty in the Persian Gulf has lost his bid for conscientious objector status. A Marine personnel director in Hawaii said yesterday that Corporal Jeff Patterson is NOT a conscientious objector since hedoes NOT oppose war in all forms. Patterson of Hollister, California, refused to board a plane for Saudi Arabia when hisunit was deployed last August 29th.

Philippine officials say troops arrested nine suspected communist rebels believed responsible for master-minding bombings in a two-day general strike. Officials say the suspects were captured in raids on six rebel safehouses in Manila. Police blame communist rebels for burning a passenger bus today in a town 600 miles south of Manila.

Three ex-Northwest Airlines pilots got federal prison terms for flying while intoxicated. Each faces at least one year in prison and three years supervised probation. The pilots were fired by Northwest and had their licenses taken away for drunk flying during a flight from Fargo, South Dakota, to Minneapolis.

St. Louis residents plan to ''March to the Arch'' tomorrow in celebration of

the 25th anniversary of the nation's tallest monument, the Gateway Arch. The 630-foot tall structure made of stainless steel was completed in 1965. The Finnish-born architect who designed it claimed it would last one-thousand years.

A California man may get up to 20 years in prison if convicted of smuggling 327 fertile ostrich eggs into the United States. Roger Jacobson was nabbed last week at the Mexican border when a customs agent reportedly found ostrich eggs in his car. Officials say the eggs were worth 300-thousand dollars. Ostriches are NOT an endangered species, but the birds are in decline.

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#90300u0507 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (OCT. 27) UPI - The New Jersey Nets have scheduled a press conference Sunday, in all likelihood to announce the signing of Derrick Coleman, No. 1 pick in June's NBA draft.

Coleman's signing would end four months of sometimes bitter negotiations. The 6-foot-10, 235-pound forward from Syracuse, is to sign a contract that could earn him $16 million over five years.

It is believed to contain incentives ranging from $50,000 to $200,000 for winning the rookie of the year award or making the all-rookie team in his first season. It also provides a $1 million signing bonus.

The first four years are guaranteed, with the fifth year giving the Nets an option on his services. They will have three choices that fifth year: waive Coleman and free themselves of any obligation; pick up his option and pay his full salary, or let him test the free agent waters and have the right of first refusal.

With an average salary of $3 million per year, Coleman becomes the highest-paid rookie in NBA history, and is the highest-paid Net, eclipsing Sam Bowie's $2.6 million per annum. This season the Nets will pay Coleman about $2.5 million out of a salary cap of $9.3 million for the team.

Coleman said it would be two weeks before he was physically ready to play, even though he had been practicing himself.

''There is an awful lot I have to do now,'' said Coleman. ''Even simple things like finding a place to live. Everybody else already has done that.''

At Syracuse, Coleman was the 1989-90 Big East Player of the Year. He is the all-time leading college rebounder with 1,537 boards.

He was the Orangemen's all-time leading scorer with 2,143 points, the only player in NCAA history to collect 2,000 points, 1,400 rebounds and 300 blocks.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (OCT. 27) UPI - Police killed two Egyptian Moslem fundamentalists and arrested five others Saturday in connection with the assassination of a high-ranking government official whose murder was initially blamed on pro-Iraqi Palestinian terrorists, informed sources said.

Authorities banned Egyptian news media from writing about the developments and said foreign publications would be seized if they contained any information about the case. Egyptian television and radio, controlled by the state, broadcast nothing about the arrests.

Sources said police arrested the five Moslem extremists at an undisclosed location and then went to Cairo University to arrest two more suspects, who were shot dead when they tried to flee.

The sources could not identify the two victims or the five who were under arrest, but said they were believed to have killed Speaker of Parliament Rifaat El Mahgoub two weeks ago.

It was not immediately clear if the five were charged in the case. Egypt's state of emergency, declared almost a decade ago following the assassination of President Anwar Sadat by fundamentalists, gives police broad powers to arrest suspects without charge.

Mahgoub, four policemen and a driver were killed when men on two motorcycles opened fire with machine guns on his motorcade in the center of Cairo. The assassins escaped from the scene, one of them in a taxi.

His death came only a week after Egypt accused Iraq of sending Palestinian terrorists into the country with a hit list of government officials and orders to destabilize the government of President Hosni Mubarak, a strong supporter of the United States in the Gulf crisis.

Mubarak warned Palestinians in Egypt before the assassination to be careful and avoid pro-Iraqi agents.

But Iraq denied it was linked to the assassination and said Egyptians had killed Mahgoub to protest Egypt's pro U.S. stance in the Persian Gulf.

Mahgoub, the No. 2 man in the government after Mubarak, had been a strong opponent of the fundamentalist movement. In the past week some Egyptian news media, still working on the theory Mahgoub was killed by pro-Iraqi terrorists, said Moslem fundamentalists may have aided in the killing.

Ahmad, Al Abrashi, director of the government press center, said the ban on

publishing information about the case aapplied only to local newspapers and magazines and not to foreign media.

He said international publications containing stories about the assassination would be seized when they arrived in the country and that local newspapers will not be allowed to use wire dispatches about the arrests.

''As a foreign media it's up to you to publish on this subject, my responsibility is confined to local media,'' he told United Press International. ''It is an ordinary measure and I think it will not last long.''

Sources said Egypt may have ordered the news blackout because it was planning to arrest other Egyptians and did not want to endanger the investigation. Some Western observers suggested the government did not want it known Egyptians were responsible for the murder because of tensions created by the Gulf crisis.

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(OCT. 27) UPI - The House heeded pleas from leaders of both parties in passing and sending to the Senate a deficit-reduction plan backed by President Bush. But the five-year, 490-BILLION-dollar deficit trimming package was NOT without its detractors. Florida Republican Craig James called the bill ''taxation... NOT deficit reduction.'' California Republican Christopher Cox said- ''the spending cuts are fake.''

The Senate will vote today on legislation that marks the first congressional effort since 1977 to strengthen the federal Clean Air Act. The House yesterday approved what one supporter called the most ''comprehensive air pollution control program in the world.'' The White House indicates President Bush- the self-proclaimed ''environmental president''- will sign the bill into law.

The 12-nation European Community is holding a two-day summit starting today in Rome. The meeting was initially called to provide financial aid to the Soviet Union. However, E-C officials have since determined the money would be wasted at this point because of chaos in the Soviet economy. The summit is now focusing on aid for other Eastern European countries hurt by the gulf crisis.

A U-P-I review of campaign figures shows many House incumbents are stashing away Millions of dollars to prepare for races in 1992. The focus for many is elections two years away, when lawmakers face possibly altered districts and the prospect of opposing each other. 10 House members showed accounts in excess of one-Million dollars. Many lawmakers are hiring people to lobby on their behalf as the new districts are redrawn based on 1990 census figures.

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(OCT. 27) UPI - A French politician says Iraq may be ready to negotiate a compromise in the Persian Gulf standoff that began with its invasion of Kuwait. The Socialist deputy with links to President Mitterrand's government says Iraq may be interested in what he termed ''a partial liberation of Kuwait.'' The deputy based his comments published in an interview today on unidentified Jordanian sources.

The State Department is urging caution for Americans overseas. The department yesterday issued an advisory saying the U-S government has ''specific and credible'' information on a possible terrorist threat to passenger ships in the eastern Mediterannean Sea. The department also expressed concern about planes flying in the Middle East and Europe.

Family and friends of Terry Anderson hope the longest-held of the Western captives in the Middle East gets a birthday gift that caN'T be put in a box. In fact, they're hoping the hostage gets out of his box, so to speak. Anderson's sister urged his captors to give her brother ''a gift of freedom'' for his 43rd birthday. Her plea was in a letter published today in a Beirut newspaper.

The tallest national momument in the nation celebrates its 25th anniversary tomorrow... and St. Louis officials are NOT short on plans to mark the event. A parade dubbed the ''March to the Arch'' will commemorate the 630-foot tall, stainless steel structure known as the ''Gateway to the West.'' The architect who designed the monument claimed it would last for one-thousand years.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 27) UPI - The Daily News said Saturday it managed to publish and deliver more than half of its normal run despite intensified efforts by striking workers to stop distribution of the nation's second-largest newspaper.

News spokeswoman Lisa Robinson said 710,000 newspapers were put out on the street overnight, an increase of about 100,000 papers from Friday. A normal press run for the News is just under 1.2 million, she said.

The struggle to publish the newspaper came as striking workers intenstified their efforts to stymie distribution on the third day of the walkout that has seen delivery trucks firebombed and scores of replacement workers pelted with bottles, stones and eggs.

A dozen striking News workers were arrested in overnight violence - including four men caught with a mini-cache of assorted ammunition, explosives, smoke bombs and weapons, said Sgt. Mary Wrensen, a police spokesman.

On Friday, the newspaper dismissed most of its 2,400 union work force as nine of its 10 unions decided to strike following a pre-dawn dispute Thursday over

whether a pressman claiming a medical disability could sit down on the job at a Brooklyn plant.

Only the printers union said it would continue working, citing the need to protect their lifetime job guarantees - plans they made known months ago.

With scores of replacement deliverers, pressmen, machinists and others already on the job, the News said more workers - including reporters and editors - were brought in from Illinois and Florida to work on the paper.

Tom Pennacchio, secretary-treasurer for the Newspaper Guild, which represents some 800 reporters and editors, said the unions would try to rally public support for a boycott.

He said no talks have been scheduled between management and the unions.

The strike brought to a boil a simmering dispute that began 10 months ago when the Tribune Co. - which owns the News - opened contract talks vowing to seek millions of dollars in cost reductions and impose sweeping control of hours and working conditions.

The company has insisted union concessions are essential to keep the newspaper from drowning in red ink.

Labor leaders, from the outset, have claimed that the company wanted to provoke a strike to break the unions as part of a plan to either close or sell the tabloid - the second-largest circulation newspaper in the country after the Los Angeles Times.

The unions have been working without a contract since March 31.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 27) UPI - If your toddler screams like a banshee when you dress her as a witch for Halloween it may be because she thinks she is one, says a child care specialist.

Liz Armistead, director of La Salle University's Building Blocks Child Development Center, says little children see things very literally.

''Up to about four years of age children are still developing their perception of reality,'' Armistead said recently. ''They are just starting to figure out what is real and what is not. Then Halloween comes along and throws everything off.''

She said most toddlers don't understand that although they may look like a witch or goblin in their costume, they are still the same person underneath.

Parents, she said, are often astonished when their little children don't share their enthusiasm, but they can make an effort to change that.

''Get started ahead of time,'' and tell the child what to expect, said Armistead.

''Make sure to emphasize that the costume doesn't change the person underneath it's just a special way of dressing, like wearing pajamas to bed and dressy clothes to church,'' said Armistead.

She said parents should let their children have a say in what they want to be for Halloween. Many will choose something with which they are familiar, like an animal, a pumpkin or an angel.

Above all, Armistead said, don't put a mask on the child. Instead, use some makeup.

And take the child out for trick or treat during the daytime, when things are not so frightening, and fewer kids who are out to scare the pants off people are present.

Don't be surprised if everything you do comes to naught, Armistead said.

''Expect the unexpected with children and you will all have a better time,'' she said.

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MIAMI (OCT. 27) UPI - The director of the U.S. Bureau of Prisons denied reports that former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega receives privileged treatment in his Dade County prison cell.

But a south Florida congressman said he was not satisfied with the Bureau of Prisons' response to complaints about Noriega's accommodations, and plans to inspect Noriega's cell next month.

''There are still some unanswered questions,'' said Rep. Larry Smith, D-Hollywood. ''He seems to have gotten more favorable treatment than anyone I know.''

Smith and 71 other federal lawmakers signed a petition Tuesday demanding that the Bureau of Prisons explain why Noriega has an exercise bike, color television and access to a private shower and a telephone.

The government also has provided a separate conference room with a computer, paper shredder and safe for Noriega's legal team.

Prisons director J. Michael Quinlan said Noriega ''experiences much greater restriction than other inmates'' because of his classified status as former leader of Panama.

''Any particular accommodations made to him are in recognition of the security issues he presents in the facility, and the possible needs his attorneys will have in handling classified documents in the preparation of the case,'' Quinlan told The Miami Herald Friday.

Part of the restrictions are for Noriega's protection, said prisons spokesman Dan Dunne. Inmates yelled and ''made gestures'' at Noriega once when he was allowed into a prison recreation area, Dunne said.

Because Noriega is isolated, he deserves the private shower and exercise bike, said his attorneys, Frank Rubino and Jon May.

''He doesn't get access to the volleyball courts, tennis courts, handball court, the weight room,'' Rubino said. ''He gets this lousy bicycle.''

The attorneys said the room with the computer, paper shredder and safe was set up by the government to handle some of the classified documents the lawyers will use in Noriega's defense.

''These are requirements that are imposed upon us by the classified information procedure act,'' May said.

Smith said he was ''skeptical'' that the government had to take such special actions. ''I believe they could probably bring him into the showers when other inmates are not in the room. They could exercise him at times when other inmates are not there,'' he said.

Noriega and 15 others were indicted by a federal grand jury in Miami in February 1988 on drug smuggling and money laundering charges. The former dictator, who was toppled in December by a U.S. invasion of his homeland, and four others are awaiting trial.

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(OCT. 27) UPI - The House passed the deficit-cutting budget compromise this morning, wrapping up the session at about 7 a-m and sending the measure over to the Senate, which meets later today. The 490-BILLION-dollar deficit-reduction package includes higher taxes on the rich... higher gasoline and excise taxes for all Americans, and about 43-BILLION dollars in Medicare cuts. The House vote was 228-200, ending three weeks of frantic bargaining.

The Senate also is expected to take up a landmark clean-air bill today. The

House broke a 13-year stalemate yesterday and approved the measure, which will require virtually every major industry to reduce emissions that cause acid rain, urban smog, toxic hazards and ozone depletion. The bill passed on a 401-25 vote in the House. It is the first congressional effort to strengthen the Clean Air Act since 1977.

Radio and television broadcast pioneer William Paley is dead. Paley founded the Columbia Broadcasting System in 1928 and went on to set many of the standards for the industry in news and entertainment. He was 89. A C-B-S spokeswoman says Paley died at his Manhattan home in New York City. She said Paley had been ill with pneumonia for two weeks and suffered a heart attack.

Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov is in Baghdad for talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Primakov is on a diplomatic mission to find a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. He flew to Baghdad from Cairo, where he met with the Egyptian president amid indications that the United States is considering a military strike to drive Iraq from Kuwait.

At least one official says the largest massacre of marine animals he has ever seen in Brazil apparently occurred earlier this week. Authorities say 400 or 500 giant turtles, penguins, seals, sea lions and dolphins were slaughtered along a 60-mile stretch of the Brazilian coast... apparently by commercial fishermen in whose nets they got caught. Witnesses reported sighting the carnage, and authorities confirmed it with helicopter fly-overs.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 27) UPI - Mayor Marion Barry campaigned Saturday for a seat on the City Council despite being sentenced in federal court one day earlier to six months in prison for a drug possession conviction.

Anita Bonds, Barry's campaign manager, said the three-term mayor's bid for one of two at-large council seats would proceed as planned over the weekend with ''motorcades, community stops ... house parties ... canvassing walks and church services.''

''Marion Barry will continue his campaign for election to the City Council,'' Bonds said in a written statement. ''He is taking his case directly to the voters of this community. ... We remain confident that the voters will be right about voting for Barry on Tuesday Nov. 6.''

On Friday, Barry was sentenced to six months in jail and a $5,000 fine for his conviction on a misdemenor cocaine possession charge.

U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson also ordered one year's probation for Barry after his release from prison and told him to undergo periodic drug testing.

Barry's sentencing came 2 1/2 months after a jury convicted him on a single count of drug possession, acquitted him on another and deadlocked on 12 other counts.

Because he was convicted of a misdemeanor, Barry will not be forced to relinquish his office before his term ends Jan. 2. Under city law, he also can continue his bid for the at-large City Council seat in the Nov. 6 elections.

Barry remains free while he appeals the conviction. Under federal guidelines, a prison sentence six months or less cannot be appealed.

Bonds said while Barry ''is disappointed by the unusually harsh sentence that was imposed upon him ... he will continue his sobriety.''

Bonds added that since the sentencing, campaign phones have been ''innundated with well-wishers, financial pledges and expressions of support.''

''Bolstered by this outpouring of support from a broad cross-section of the community, we are moving forward to win the election,'' Bonds said.

Barry, who served four years on the City Council as a Democrat before he was first elected mayor of the nation's capital in 1978, announced in June that he would not seek a fourth-term as mayor.

In September, he changed his political affiliation to Independent to run for the council.

Political observers said Barry wanted to run for the seat because he needed four more years of government service to retire with a full pension and the deadline had passed for him to run as a Democrat.

Barry, however, dismissed those assertions as ''insensitive, insulting and just plain insane.''

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(OCT. 27) UPI - Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov is in Baghdad today, seeking a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Primakov told reporters in the Iraqi capital that he's NOT carrying a message to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein from any of the world leaders he has met with in recent weeks.

Primakov's visit follows indications that the United States is considering ending the Gulf crisis with a military strike. Sources have said U-S Secretary of State Baker will visit Saudi Arabia next week to discuss the possibility of a pre-emptive strike to drive Iraqi forces from occupied Kuwait. Washington officials won't say what Baker will discuss with Saudi leaders.

In Paris, a Foreign Ministry spokesman says 327 French hostages held in Kuwait and Iraq are expected to return to France this weekend. The spokesman says it's likely that NOT all French citizens will return. He says that some with dual nationality or who are married to Kuwaiti or Iraqi citizens want to stay behind.

The Senate is expected to follow the House lead today and pass a massive deficit-reduction plan that hikes taxes on the rich. The House approved the five-year, approximately 490-BILLION-dollar deficit- trimming package this morning by a 228-200 vote. House Budget Committe Chairman Leon Panetta says the plan will compensate for budgetary wrongdoing of the 1980's.

Virtually every major industry will be required to reduce emissions causing urban smog, acid rain, toxic hazards or ozone depletion under a landmark clean-air bill passed by the House. Lawmakers broke a 13-year stalemate and approved the measure yesterday. It's the first effort by Congress since 1977 to strengthen the federal Clean Air Act.

Leaders of the 12-nation European Community opened a special summit in Rome today. But the summit is being overshadowed by disarray over world trade talks. The E-C is hopelessly divided over its position on farm subsidies at the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade talks, which are due to conclude in just six weeks.

Election-related violence in Pakistan has left four people dead and 23 wounded as Pakistanis choose provincial assemblies today. Police say the victims died in gun battles between rival supporters in three separate constituencies in Sind province. Security was tight for the balloting, with tens of thousands of troops patrolling the streets throughout the country.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 27) UPI - Here are the highlights of the legislation that is the core of the plan to cut $490 billion over 5 years years from the federal deficit:

The bill would save $362.3 billion over five years. The remainder comes from cuts in appropriation bills and resulting interest savings.

-Income Taxes: A new top tax rate of 31 percent. That would be an increase from 28 percent for about 600,000 highest income Americans and a cut from 33 percent for about 5.3 million upper-middle-income taxpayers.

-Deductions: A 3 percent limit on itemized deductions claimed by taxpayers with adjusted gross incomes higher than $100,000 a year.

-Exemptions: Gradual elimination of the $2,050 personal exemption for single people who earn more than $100,000 and couples filing jointly who earn more than $150,000.

-Gasoline taxes: A 5-cent-a-gallon increase in the federal gasoline tax.

-Sin taxes: Two-stage increase totalling 8 cents on a pack of cigarettes; $1 per ''proof gallon'' increase on liquor tax; increase from 16 to 32 cents on a six pack of beer; raise of 3 cents on a bottle of table wine.

-Luxury taxes: a 10 percent surtax on on cars over $30,000, boats over $100,000, airplanes over $250,000 and furs over $10,000.

-Health insurance tax: Raises the cap on income subject to the 1.45 percent Medicare tax from $51,300 to $125,000.

-State and local employees: Extends Social Security taxes to state and local employees without other pensions.

-Income tax credit: A five-year expansion of the earned income tax credit for the working poor.

-Oil: $2.5 billion in tax benefits for oil and gas drillers and $1.4 billion in tax breaks for small businesses over five years.

-Medicare: About $10 billion savings in Medicare by increasing the deductible from $75 to $100 and a gradual increase in premiums from $28.60 this year to $29.90 next year and $46.50 in 1995. About $34 billion in savings through reduced reimbursements to doctors and hospitals.

-Medicaid: The program of health insurance for the poor would realize savings of about $600 million over 5 years through drug discounts and from paying private insurance if it is cheaper, although providing expanded coverage for children, the frail elderly and the mentally retarded.

Farm: Savings through commodity program reforms and loan program reductions.

Fees: Increased fees for services from a number of agencies such as the Coast Guard, patent and trademark, customs and veterans housing

Veterans: Savings in veterans programs such as compensation, pensions, housing and medical care.

Airports: Increases Airport and Airway Trust Fund excise tax by 25 percent.

Telephones: Extends 3 percent excise tax, which would have ended, on telephone service.

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#90300u0782 10/27/1990 ~United Press International
HONOLULU (OCT. 27) UPI - President Bush, mixing diplomacy with politics in a welcomed escape from Washington, convened leaders of 11 tiny Pacific island nations Saturday for an unusual palm tree conference.

Billed by the administration as an unprecedented gathering of the strategic Pacific Basin nations, but one with no set agenda or expectation of decisions or big announcements, Bush opened the five-hour summit meeting by telling the officials gathered, ''This is a meeting in my view that is long overdue.

''It's a great opportunity for the president of the United States to hear from you.''

Wedged into the middle of a four-day political swing out West, Bush welcomed the sunny reprieve after a week of being whipsawed by near- disastrous budget talks and watching his popularity plunge with less than two weeks until the Nov. 6 elections.

Turning eagerly to the foreign policy arena where he has acknowledged he is the most at ease, Bush greeted each of the representatives from 11 Pacific island nations with ceremonial fanfare.

''I come here with no agenda,'' he told the leaders, ''No agenda. I'm here to hear from you ... exactly what's on all your minds.''

Set at the University Of Hawaii's East-West Center, complete with dozens of demonstrators protesting his Persian Gulf policy and continued destruction of chemical weapons in the area, Bush nonetheless was pleased to watch legislators back in Washington finally pass a budget resolution after eight long months of delay.

He began the day early, swimming in the ocean off Waikiki Beach, declaring ''That's for sure,'' when asked if he was glad the budget mess was behind him.

Officials acknowledged up front the mini-summit meeting was not expected to produce any major new initiatives, or really invite too much controversy among the participants though the U.S. program to destroy deadly chemical weapons in the region was sure to be broached.

Addressing a fund-raiser late Friday for Rep. Pat Saiki, R-Hawaii, Bush said the time was right for the session. ''I think it's a good time and I think it's about time that an American president sat down with the heads of these countries out there and told them we are one in our respect for and love of the Pacific,'' Bush said.

An administration official, briefing reporters before Bush headed West,

described the session more as a chance for the often-neglected leaders in the key area to talk personally with the president.

''The way the island leaders deal with issues is through discussions, getting together, having a chance to sit down and just schmooze things out,'' said the official, who asked not to be identified. ''And I think that's the general perspective of this.''

Thirteen leaders were invited by Bush for the session, though not all were able to attend. Among those attending were Prime Minister Geoffrey Henry of the Cook Islands, Prime Minister Ratu Sir Kamisese Mara of Fiji, President Ieremia Tabai of Kiribati, President Amata Kabua of the Marshall Islands, President John Haglegam of Micronesia, President Bernard Dowiyogo of Nauru, Prime Minister Rabbie Namaliu of Papua New Guineau, Prime Minister Bikenibeu Paeniu of Tuvalu and Prime Minister Tofilau Eti Alesana of Western Samoa.

Representatives of the Solomon Islands and Tonga also were included.

The 13 nations, accounting for a total population of 5.1 million, receive only $20 million in aid from the United States - $10 million in development assistance and the rest from tuna treaty licensing fees in the regions.

Though hinting that a push for more private investment might be forthcoming, the official said, ''There will not be what you would probably characterize as a major initiative.''

High among the topics likely to be discussed was the crisis in the Persian Gulf and how many of the island countries, most the size of a typical New England state, have fared since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 and sent the price of oil skyrocketing.

''They've all been hit by very substantial rises in oil prices,'' the administration official said. And while lending their own efforts to the international collaboration to force Iraq out of Kuwait, ''they are part of this broad problem,'' he said.

Economic aid, of course, was expected at the table, though the official indicated the administration was more likely to ''look to the Overseas Private Investment Corp.,'' or OPIC, for any move to encourage private sector investment.

Environmental issues also were expected to arise, as many islands have questioned the administration's attempt to delay international action on global warming and expressed concern about Bush's move to eliminate chemical weapons.

One area of concern, the official said, was a possible rise in the sea level that would be devastating for a small island. ''There are estimates that if

there was sea rise of about a meter, a number of the countries would disappear since they are not many feet above sea level, '' the official said.

Of special concern on that front also is the U.S. chemical weapons disposal system at Johnston Atoll, built to detroy obsolete chemical weapons at the island 825 miles west southwest of Hawaii.

The plant, which began destroying weapons in July, is supposed to serve as a prototype for simliar plants in the future at eight mainland sites.

Many Pacific nations fear an accident could pollute the entire basin and they have accused the military of using the Pacific as a ''dumping ground'' for these weapons.

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#90300u0819 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

ELMONT, N.Y. (OCT. 27) UPI - The mood of horse racing's showcase event switched from joy to grief Saturday when a pair of horses died in two of the first three Breeders' Cup races.

Mr. Nickerson, a top sprinter and a multiple stakes winner, died of a possible heart attack during the running of the Sprint at Belmont Park. Less than an hour later, champion filly Go For Wand stumbled, fell and broke her right front leg just a sixteenth of a mile from the end of her $1 million Distaff showdown with older champion Bayakoa.

Go for Wand became the fourth to die in two days of racing at Belmont Park. Why Not Try and Dinner Quest both suffered mortal injuries in back-to-back races at Belmont Friday and were humanely put to death.

In the first Breeders' Cup race, the Sprint, Mr. Nickerson suffered an apparent heart attack and died on the track. His jockey, Chris Antley, suffered a probable broken right collarbone. Another horse, Shaker Knit, tripped over Mr. Nickerson, fell and was seriously, perhaps mortally, injured.

Veterinarians were still working on him on the Belmont backside when Go for Wand suffered her life-ending accident.

Mr. Nickerson, sitting about five lengths off the lead, suddenly threw his head in the air in obvious distress. A few strides later, he collapsed on the racetrack. Shaker Knit, who was trailing Mr. Nickerson, fell over the sprawling horse. Safely Kept won the race.

Jose Santos, who was aboard Shaker Knit, was not injured. He returned in the next race to win the Breeders' Cup Juvenile to win with undefeated filly Meadow Star.

Track veterinarians reported that Mr. Nickerson died shortly after they arrived at the scene. His condition may have also been caused by a burst blood vessel, they reported.

Go for Wand, owned by Christiana Stable and trained by Billy Badgett, went into the Distaff ranked as the No. 1 thoroughbred in the United States. She was defeated just once in eight starts this year and once in four starts in 1989. She never finished worse than second.

The Deputy Minister filly won last year's Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies and was elected the 2-year-old filly champion.

The Distaff was Go for Wand's first race against the 6-year-old Bayakoa, winner of the 1989 Distaff and the 1989 older female champion.

The race was the most highly anticipated of the $10 million Breeders Cup card and, for the first 1 1-16 miles, it was everything the sellout crowd had hoped.

The two hooked up side-by-side an eighth of a mile out of the gate and raced that way until the accident. Go for Wand had the lead most of the way, but Bayakoa, on the outside with Laffit Pincay, pulled even with her in mid-stretch.

The two raced as a team until Go for Wand took a bad step on her left front foot at the sixteenth and went down, shattering her right front ankle as she tumbled into the rail.

Veterinarians said she also ruptured several ligaments and suffered massive damage to the all-important suspensory ligament. There was no way to save her.

Track personnel put up a screen between the downed Go for Wand and the grandstand, but everyone present knew what was happening behind the blue tarpaulin.

The white ambulance that had just carried off the carcass of Mr. Nickerson then did the same with Go for Wand.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 28) UPI - The Soviet government Saturday ordered Interior Ministry forces to be used to prevent ethnic clashes between Moldavian vigilantes and the Gagauz Turkic minority who declared their southern region independent.

''We are seeking to do everything possible to prevent bloodshed,'' said parliament chairman Anatoly Lukyanov, the acting president in the absence of Mikhail Gorbachev who is visiting Spain and then will go on to France.

Lukyanov said that so far there have been no casualties in the Moldavia where thousands of self-described Moldavian ''volunteers'' were besieging the southern breakaway region of the Gagauz, a Turkic people who make up 3.5 percent of Moldavia's 4.2 million people.

The crisis in Moldavia's Gagauz region began Thursday when the Gagauzi held secret elections to create their own legislature and to secede from Moldavia. Irate Moldavians by the busloads then streamed to the Gagauz region.

The official Tass news agency reported Saturday that ''volunteers continued to move to the border with the southern areas of Moldavia on Friday evening (and) they packed roads leading to the Komrat and Chadyr Lunga districts.

It said Moldavian President Mircha Snegur and other Moldavian leaders ''appealed to the government of the U.S.S.R. to send units of Interior Ministry troops to the (Gagauz) region to keep order.''

Snegur promised that if the troops were sent, the volunteers would be removed, Tass said. ''The corresponding order was then given by the Soviet government to the Interior Ministry,'' it said.

It was not known how many troops might be send or where they would come from. Moldavian leaders on Friday were reported considering asking that the Interior Ministry troops stationed in the Moldavian capital of Kishinev be used.

But the Interior Ministry has been unwilling to use its troops because of the condemnation it received after interventions in Tbilisi, Georgia, April 1989 and in Baku, Azerbaijan, in January 1990.

Twenty-one Georgian nationalist were killed in the first incident when troops broke up a sit-in, and more than 60 Azerbaijanis in the second in Baku when the soldiers sought to stop pogroms against Armenians and quell an uprising by the Popular Front against Soviet rule.

The unwillingness of the military and Interior Ministry to act without clear and distinct orders has been labeled by army men ''the Tbilisi syndrome.''

Moldavia's parliament on Friday declared the election results invalid in the Gagauzi-dominated southern regions and imposed a two-month state of emergency in the Chadyr-Lunga, Komrat and Bulkanesht.

Tass said Saturday that the Gagauz provisional leadership is prepared now for a moratorium on the election results, but Tass reported the situation still tense.

It also said that negotiations have begun between Gaguz representatives and deputies of the Moldavian parliament in Chimishliya Saturday and that the

talks had the full backing of the Soviet government.

The Moldavian crisis is tied to what conservatives have called an ''epidemic of sovereignty declarations'' in which local regions are proclaiming independence from republics that themselves have acted with similar defiance toward the Soviet government.

Gagauzi, who speak their own language, number just 173,000 in the entire Soviet Union, with 138,000 in Moldavia, 27,000 in the Ukraine and the others scattered throughout the rest of the country.

Moldavians, who speak Romanian and retain strong cultural ties with their native land, make up nearly two-thirds of the Soviet republic's people.

About one-quarter of the population is split between Ukrainians and Russians, with Gagauzi and other ethnic groups having much smaller numbers.

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CAIRO, Egypt (OCT. 28) UPI - Police killed two Egyptian Moslem fundamentalists Saturday and arrested at least six others believed responsible for the assassination of a high-ranking government official whose murder was initially blamed on pro-Iraqi Palestinian terrorists, sources and reports said.

The Middle East News Agency said police stormed four fundamentalist hideouts at dawn, arresting six members of the Al Jihad (Holy War) Moslem extremist organization ''who took part in the planning and the implementation'' of the assassination of Speaker of Parliament Rifaat El Mahgoub.

Members of Al Jihad, headed by a blind Moslem preacher named Omar Abdulrahman, were convicted of assassinating former Egyptian President Anwar Sadat in 1981.

Sources and the semi-official news agency said one of the suspects in the Mahgoub killing led police to the Cairo University department of agriculture where police killed two fundamentalists and wounded a third in a pitched gun battle that left one police officer wounded.

Mahgoub, the No. 2 man in the Egyptian government, was slain along with five others two weeks ago when assassins riding motorcycles opened fire on his motorcade in the heart of Cairo.

His death came only a week after Cairo accused Baghdad of sending Palestinian terrorists into Egypt with a hit list of officials and orders to destabilize the government of President Hosni Mubarak, a strong ally of the United States in the gulf crisis.

Iraq denied it was linked to the brutal assassination, charging it was carried

out by Egyptians unhappy with Mubarak's pro-U.S. stance in the gulf.

Al Jihad is a banned group of Moslem extremists opposed to the Mubarak government and who may have chosen to assassinate Mahgoub because he used his position in Parliament to promote anti- fundamentalist measures.

MENA said police seized weapons, motorcycles, explosives, leaflets and forged documents in the dawn raids.

It said one of those arrested led police to Cairo University where he had an afternoon appointment with four colleagues. But the four apparently became suspicious and one opened fire on police, sparking the gunfight, the agency said.

Sources said others may have been arrested in that incident.

Authorities originally banned local media from writing about the developments because they did not want to undermine the afternoon ambush. Television and radio in Egypt are controlled by the state.

MENA and Interior Ministry sources did not identify the two fundamentalists who were killed or the six under arrest, and it was not immediately known if they had been charged with Mahgoub's death.

Egypt's state of emergency, declared almost a decade ago following the assassination of Sadat, gives police broad powers to arrest suspects without charge.

Ahmad Al Abrashi, director of the government press center, said earlier Saturday the ban on publishing information about the case applied only to local newspapers and magazines and not to foreign media.

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#90300u0902 10/27/1990 ~United Press International
SCOTTSDALE, AZ (OCT. 28) UPI - Elliot Roosevelt, President Franklin D. Roosevelt's second oldest son who distinguished himself as a World War II flier and later with books about his famous parents, died Saturday, a family spokesman said. He was 80.

Roosevelt, the third of the five Roosevelt children, died Saturday in the Phoenix suburb of Scottsdale, where he had lived since the 1950s. The cause of his death was not released.

His death leaves only one surviving child of Franklin and Eleanor - James, 82, a former California congressman.

Elliott Roosevelt, born Sept. 23, 1910 in New York City, entered the U.S. Air

Corps as a captain in 1940 and was a decorated brigadier general when World War II ended in 1945.

He commanded the multi-national aerial reconnaissance wing that played a key role in the Allies' 1944 D-day landings on Normandy beach, as well as the invasions of North Africa and Sicily. In all, he flew 89 missions during World War II and was decorated for valor by the United States, France, Morocco and England.

In 1946, Roosevelt launched a writing career with a best-selling book, ''As He Saw It,'' which detailed his experiences as his father's aide at five historic wartime summit conferences.

He later authored a triology about his parents and in 1983 wrote ''The Conservators,'' in which he stated his philosophy about the survival of the planet. He recently published the Eleanor Roosevelt Mysteries, which cast his mother in the role of a fictional detective.

Elliot Roosevelt's political career included a stint as mayor of Miami Beach from 1965 to 1969 and later as a Democractic National Committee member from Florida. His business ventures included advertising, radio station management and ranching.

He married Elizabeth Donner in 1931 and they had one son. They divorced in 1933 and later that year he married Ruth Googins, who bore him three children. His third wife, from 1944 to 1950, was actress Faye Emerson.

He married Minnewa Bell in 1951, and Patricia Whitehead, his fifth wife, in 1960.

President Roosevelt was elected the nation's 32nd president in 1932 and was serving an unprecedented fourth term when he died in 1945, shortly before the end of World War II. His widow, Eleanor, died in 1962.

The eldest of their children, Anna Roosevelt Halstead, died in 1975; John, the youngest, died in 1981; and Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr. died on his 74th birthday, Aug. 17, 1988, of lung cancer.

Elliot Roosevelt is survived by his widow; eight children - William, Chandler Lindsley, Elliot Jr., David B., James, Ford, Gretchen and David M. - 21 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were set for Tuesday at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Scottsdale. In lieu of flowers, the family asked that donations be made to the church or to the Mayo Clinic Foundation of Scottsdale.

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#90300u0915 10/27/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 27) UPI - After a 13-year legislative deadlock, Congress has passed and sent President Bush a historic clean-air bill. The Senate... following the lead taken by the House yesterday... voted 89-10 today to give final approval of the measure. The bill will require almost every major industry to make deep and costly cuts in emissions causing urban smog, acid rain, toxic hazards or ozone depletion. White House officials have indicated that Bush will sign the bill into law, despite warnings that it will cost thousands of jobs and accelerate the nation's economic downturn.

The Senate later today takes up a bi-partisan deficit-reduction plan approved this morning by the House. The massive five-year plan was forged in three weeks of frantic bargaining and is backed by President Bush. The approximately 490-BILLION-dollar deficit-trimming package increases the tax burden on the rich, raises gasoline and excise taxes for all Americans and trims Medicare by about 43-BILLION dollars. House Budget Committee Chairman Leon Panetta says failure to pass the plan would ''doom our economy to a deep recession, without question.''

The State Department is warning Americans overseas of an increased risk of terrorism in Europe and the Middle East. The department issued an advisory yesterday, saying the government has received information believed ''specific and credible'' regarding a possible terrorist threat to passenger ships operating in the eastern Mediterranean Sea. Officials say they are taking the threat seriously. And they say they are particularly concerned about aircraft operating in Europe or the Middle East.

Family and friends of American hostage Terry Anderson today appealed to his captors in Lebanon to give him- quote- ''the gift of freedom'' for his 43th birthday. The news correspondent is the longest-held of the Western captives in the Middle East. He was kidnapped on March 16th, 1984, by pro-Iranian Moslem fundamentalists.

Firefighters and other safety experts are urging Americans to replace smoke detector batteries at the same time they turn their clocks back tonight. The president of the International Association of Fire Chiefs says most homes have smoke detectors but half of them don't work because they need fresh batteries. He says a working smoke detector doubles the chances of surviving a home fire. Standard time returns to most of the nation early tomorrow.

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#90300u0984 10/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 28) UPI - Colleagues mourning the death of CBS founder William S. Paley remembered him Saturday as a broadcast genius whose committment to television and radio journalism set the industry standard for excellence.

''The pioneer era in the history of broadcasting dies with William Paley,''

said Walter Cronkite, a former CBS anchor and managing editor of the CBS Evening News. ''Our industry may never see his like again. He understood, as have few others, the necessity of giving broadcast news a liberty to perform without commercial or political interference. In this he established a standard for which all of us who live in this democracy can be grateful.

''All of us will mourn his passing,'' Cronkite said.

Paley, who bought a small unprofitable group of radio stations for $400,000 62 years ago and parlayed it into the CBS media giant, died at his Manhattan home Friday following a bout with pneumonia. He was 89.

A memorial service for Paley was scheduled for the morning of Nov. 12 at the Temple Emanu'El in Manhattan.

Dan Rather, Cronkite's successor, remembered his boss simply as a ''giant of 20th century business, a man committed to excellence.''

Added CBS president Frank Stanton: ''William Paley was a programming genius. Call it skill, inspiration or luck. It takes all of them and he had all of them in abundance. Broadcasting will miss him.''

Paley, who remained chairman of the network to his death, was a legendary media executive who cared deeply about news and invested millions of dollars in covering events around the world.

For more than a half-century, he wielded enormous power and brought his brand of news and entertainment into the homes of millions of Americans.

He gave the radio airwaves in the 1930s and 1940s such stars as Will Rogers, Fred Allen, George Burns, Goodman Ace, Jack Benny, Bing Crosby and Frank Sinatra. He lured from rival NBC some of its most popular performers, including Eddie Cantor and Al Jolson, to give the radio network its reputation for wealth, power and glamor.

The roster of CBS television stars over the years also included Lucille Ball, Carol Burnett, Mary Tyler Moore, Red Skelton, Ed Sullivan, Arthur Godfrey, Jackie Gleason and many more.

His impact on news was also immense. It was Paley's CBS that in 1935 hired Edward R. Murrow, who went on to cover World War II and assembled a team - called thew ''Murrow Boys'' - which later became the core of CBS News. In the 1950s and 1960s, CBS News had many of the best and brightest in the industry such as Cronkite, Eric Sevareid and Howard K. Smith.

Paley was born Sept. 28, 1901, in Chicago, to Samuel and Goldie Paley. His father was a Russian immigrant. He graduated from Western Military Academy in Alton, Ill., in 1918 and briefly attended the University of Chicago. In 1922

he received a bachelor of science degree from the University of Pennsylvania and went to work managing his father's Philadelphia cigar factory. He was intrigued by radio.

In 1928, at age 27, Paley paid $400,000 - which he had acquired through the family firm - for United Independent Broadcasters, a small, financially troubled New York radio network.

Following World War II, Paley devoted his energies to the infant CBS Television Network. In 1946, there were only 6,000 TV sets in the United States and CBS could reach only a few of them. Today, nearly all American homes have television sets and CBS can reach almost all of them.

Paley retired in 1983, remaining on the 14-member board of directors.

At the time, he owned nearly 2 million shares of CBS stock, worth about $74 million. He received $5.4 million in annual dividends and his private wealth was estimated at more than $500 million.

Three years later - two weeks short of his 85th birthday - he again became chairman in what became known as the battle of the boardroom.

In a daylong board meeting Paley teamed with Laurence Tisch, who had acquired 25 percent of CBS Inc., to force the ouster of Thomas H. Wyman as chairman, president and chief executive of CBS. Tisch became president and chief executive.

Paley's first wife was Dorothy Hart Hearst. The couple had a son and a daughter. They were divorced in 1947.

Later that year he married Barbara ''Babe'' Cushing, one of New York's best dressed and most respected socialites. She was the sister- in-law of publisher John Hay Whitney, who became one of Paley's best friends and the model for an aristocratic lifestyle that Paley was quick to adopt after marrying Babe.

She also gave him a son and daughter - Kate and William. Babe Paley died after a long bout with cancer in 1978, and although Paley was still considered one of New York's most eligible bachelors, he never remarried.

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#90300u0996 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 27) UPI - White House officials indicate that President Bush will sign a historic clean-air bill that was passed and sent to him today by Congress. The Senate followed the House lead and approved the measure, breaking 13 years of legislative deadlock. The bill will require almost every major industry to make deep and costly cuts in emissions.

Heeding pleas from leaders of both parties, the House today approved a massive five-year deficit-reduction plan. The 490-BILLION-dollar package now goes to the Senate, which is expected to take up the measure this afternoon. President Bush said from Honolulu that he's ''very pleased'' about the House vote and expressed optimism that the Senate will follow suit.

Baghdad Radio reports that Jordan's King Hussein has sent a message to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The broadcast did NOT reveal the contents of the message, but it said Saddam sent Hussein a message of thanks for his stand in the Persian Gulf crisis. Jordan has had a spotty record on compliance with U-N economic sanctions against Iraq.

Soviet President Gorbachev says Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is ''very much mistaken'' if he thinks he can divide nations that oppose his invasion of Kuwait. Speaking to reporters in Madrid, Spain, Gorbachev repeated his view that a political solution would be the best way out of the Gulf crisis.

Voters went to the polls in Pakistan today to choose provincial governments. The Election Commission says at least 23 people were killed and 40 wounded in election-related violence through out the country. Reports nation-wide indicate that turnout was far lower than in the National Assembly elections three days ago.

President Bush today is mixing diplomacy with politics in a welcomed escape from the nation's capital. The president has summoned the leaders of 11 tiny Pacific island nations to Honolulu for an unprecedented gathering. The unusual five-hour summit has NO set agenda or expectation of decisions or big announcements.

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#90300u1346 10/27/1990 ~United Press International
CALAIS, France (OCT. 28) UPI - Striking workers seeking a pay raise blocked access to the French entrances to the tunnel under construction beneath the English Channel Saturday, construction company officials said.

Some 100 labor union pickets from the communist-led General Confederation of Labor union and the Christian-inspired French Confederation of Workers blocked two entrances to the tunnel works near the port of Calais, said the Transmanche Link company.

Only some 40 percent of the labor force braved the picket line to attend work on the tunnel. French tunnelers are expected to meet up over the next few days with workers tunneling from England.

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(OCT. 28) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Basketball

Dallas - Placed guard Kelvin Upshaw and forward Bob McCann on waivers.

LA Clippers - Waived free agents Cedric Ball, Anthony Blakley, Steve Key and Clinton Smith.

Football

Miami - Activated Shawn Lee and waived defensive end Jeff Faulkner.

New England - Placed wide receiver Hart Lee Dykes on reserved-non football injury list; activated safety Tim Hauck.

Hockey

NY Islanders - Recalled goaltender Danny Lorenz from Capital District of the American Hockey League under emergency conditions.

Pittsburgh - Acquired defenseman Gordie Roberts from St. Louis for future considerations.

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 28) UPI - The Security Council met Saturday to consider applying new measures to force Iraq to leave Kuwait, but delayed its action for two days while diplomats warned a wrong move may worsen the Persian Gulf crisis.

The postponement until Monday was requested by the Soviet Union amid speculation a solution to the nearly 3-month-old crisis might be on the way way in light of the flurry of diplomatic moves between Moscow and Baghdad.

Yemeni permanent U.N. representative Abdalla Saleh Al-Ashtal told reporters, ''There are lots of movements in the (gulf) region and outside for a solution.

''At the same time there are talks of a war,'' he said. ''It's serious.''

Al-Ashtal, who among non-aligned ambassadors actively worked in the Security Council for a diplomatic solution to the crisis, warned that any wrong move by the council could tip the balance toward armed confrontation.

A senior U.S. official, asked about the postponement, said the problem is not any splintering of the world coalition against Iraq, but merely a procedural complication caused by the time difference between Washington and Moscow. The

Soviets want ample time to check with the Kremlin regarding the resolution.

U.S. officials said they expect a resolution will be passed Monday 15-0 or 14-0, depending on whether Cuba votes.

The 15-nation council will be voting on a proposal that reiterates a demand Iraq withdraw unconditionally from and restore sovereignty to Kuwait, which it has occupied since Aug. 2.

The proposal, finalized after long hours of negotiations late in the week, was meant to send a ''firm response'' to Iraq that it must pay for looting and destroying Kuwaiti properties, and oppressing Kuwaitis as well as foreigners caught in occupied Kuwait. It calls for release of all hostages.

Diplomats said the postponement was necessary to await the results of a meeting between Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and French President Francois Mitterrand in Paris Sunday and the visit by Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov to Baghdad.

They said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein sent a message to Mitterrand Friday and it would be the subject of discussions for the Paris meeting. There was no independent confirmation of Saddam's message to Mitterrand.

While speculating on a possible breakthrough in the Persian Gulf, U.N. diplomats were unable to say how the crisis would be solved. Their main objective has been to work out a peaceful solution, but they have expressed fears that Saddam's intransigence may lead to war.

Soviet U.N. Ambassador Yuliy Vorontsov told reporters after the council adjourned that Primakov himself requested the postponement. Vorontsov said his government hopes that the Baghdad talks will be ''fruitful.''

Asked whether he expects a breakthrough in the talks, Vorontsov said, ''Another visit, another hope.'' It will be a second visit for Primakov.

The president of the Security Council, British Ambassador David Hannay, warned reporters ''not to read too much'' into the brief postponement of the council's vote.

Hannay convened the Security Council to hear Kuwait's Ambassador Mohammad Abdulhassan and Vorontsov, and then ordered a recess until Monday.

Abdulhassan and Vorontsov castigated Saddam for showing no sign of complying with U.N. resolutions demanding a withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait. Vorontsov said the illegal occupation of Kuwait must be ''halted immediately.'' He said Moscow supports the resolution that will be voted on Monday.

The proposed resolution the council will vote on demands that Iraqi authorities free hostages immediately; stop ''mistreating and oppressing'' people living under the occupation forces; fulfill international obligations toward diplomats and foreigners by allowing them to leave if they wish to do so.

It requires that Iraq provide food, water and basic services necessary to the ''protection and well-being'' of Kuwaiti and third- country nationals in Kuwait and Iraq.

It raises particular concern for the well-being of the few remaining Western diplomats trapped in Kuwait City and in Iraq, and demanded that the Baghdad government take no action that would ''hinder these diplomatic and consular missions in the performance of their functions.''

It says those diplomatic functions include access to and protection of interests of their own nationals; it called on Iraq to rescind orders closing foreign missions in Kuwait city. Only the United States, Britain and France maintain embassies in Kuwait. Other countries either closed or moved their missions to Baghdad.

The proposal holds Iraq ''liable'' under internatinal law for ''loss, damage or injury arising in regard to Kuwait and third states, and their nationals and corporations, as a result of the invasion and illegal occupation of Kuwait.''

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#90300u1386 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 28) UPI - Congress approved and sent to the White House Saturday a $15 billion foreign aid appropriations bill that cuts U.S. military aid to El Salvador and forgives Egypt's $6.7 billion military debt.

The legislation was rushed through the Senate and House as Congress pushed toward adjournment.

Under terms of the legislation, one-half of El Salvador's $85 million in military aid would be withheld unless the FMLN, the rebel group fighting the government in a 10-year civil war, refused to negotiate a peace settlement.

If the El Salvador government refuses to negotiate a peace settlement, no military aid would be provided.

The proposed cut is designed to pressure both the El Salvador government and the FMLN to seek a negotiated settlement under United Nations auspices.

But the bill, unlike the one originally approved in the Senate, would allow military aid now in the pipeline, estimated at about $20 million, to go to El

Salvador.

Congress reluctantly approved the forgiveness of Egypt's debt, a top priority of the administration. Egypt was the first Arab nation to send its troops to Saudi Arabia to help United States forces in Operation Desert Shield.

In order for the debt to be forgiven, President Bush must take several steps, including certifying to Congress that the action would be in the U.S. national interest.

Congress earmarked aid for Israel, Egypt, Turkey, Greece and Portugal. But Jordan, which has refused to participate in the sanctions against Iraq, was denied any military aid. The bill does provide Jordan with economic assistance.

The bill includes $369 million for economic aid to East European countries and up to $20 million for Cambodia.

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#90300u1397 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (OCT. 28) UPI - The defense lawyer for the first U.S. national charged under Malaysia's harsh drug laws Saturday accused the postal and customs departments of breaching their own laws regarding key evidence.

Shafee Abdullah said under the law, a suspected parcel allegedly containing marijuana and addressed to Kerry Lane Wiley should not have been posted or delivered to his client because marijuana was listed as a prohibited item.

''So why send the marijuana to him? Why the discrimination? Shafee asked in a court hearing of the case, adding that if one followed the letter of the law, the postman who delivered the marijuana could also be said to have been trafficking.

Wiley, 38, a computer lecturer from Sacramento, Calif., was arrested last November after customs officers raided a house where he was staying in a suburb of Kuala Lumpur and found 16.8 ounces of marijuana in six tin cans and also some in a plastic bag.

The Californian is the first U.S. citizen to be charged under the statutes mandating the death sentence for anyone caught with half an ounce or more of heroin or morphine, 2 pounds of opium or 6.4 ounces of marijuana.

The defense attorney said that under the law, Wiley should have been first notified that the parcel contained prohibited items and that a declaration form was not attached. Shaffe said the package should have been opened in Wiley's presence.

There were other parcels also with no declaration forms but only the parcel

addressed to Wiley was opened, he said Saturday.

There were indications that the parcel had been tampered with, even though it was taped and sealed, the defense attorney said. The string tied to the parcel was missing and it was not explained in court why this was so, he added.

Citing another alleged breach of the rules, Shafee said the postal officer had told the court that he had not verified the contents of the parcel and had not checked its weight as required by the rules.

The rules were also broken when the parcel was not put into the custody of a detaining clerk at the post office but was ''in illegal possession'' of the customs department for 15 days, he added.

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#90300u1421 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 28) UPI - A group calling itself the Memorial Society will set up a stark monument of natural stone Tuesday night near the KGB's dreaded Lubyanka headquarters to commemorate the millions who were imprisoned in the Gulag labor camps.

The monument, a boulder, was transported by ship from the first of the Soviet labor camps, the infamous Solovetsky Islands facility where a monastery was refashioned into a prison in the initial years of Communist rule.

River captains along the country's water network tooted their horns as the the giant boulder made its way to the Soviet capital where it will stand not far from the statue of the founder of the KGB, then known as the Cheka, Feliks Dzherzhinsky.

Last year on Oct. 30, the ''Day of Political Prisoners in the U.S.S.R.,'' thousands of supporters of the Memorial Society gathered with candles in front of Lubyanka and marched around the hated building.

Members of the Memorial Society told a news conference on Friday that the monument in Lubyanka Square is a first step toward remembering the victims of Soviet terror first under Vladimir Lenin, then Josef Stalin and finally Leonid Brezhnev.

The ultimate goal is to set up an institute to house archives, memoirs, and to systematically study the infernal machine that condemned millions to work in the inhospitable Gulag camps on trumped up charges of being enemies of the people. The sole proof was most often a forced confesssion or denunciations by another person.

''Building a memorial complex of this type, however, can not be done in the near future because of our alarming and unstable times,'' Viktor Kucherinenko,

a member of Memorial, told the Moskovsky Komsomolets newsaper.

''That is why we seized on the idea to install in Moscow a monument in the form of a natural untreated stone, which will not require great expense,'' he said.

''The number of survivors who passed through the prisons and the camps grows smaller each year, and it is they who have pressed us to complete the monument and they have the every right to press,'' he said.

The numbers of the Gulag prisoners ran into the millions with no definitive figure ever given. ''It is impossible to make a list of all the victims (on the monument),'' Kucherinenko said.

''Therefore the inscription will be laconic: this stone is brought from the territory of the Solovetsky Camp by the Memorial Society and has been set up in memory of millions of victims of the Totalitarian Regime on Oct. 30, 1990, the day of political prisoners in the U.S.S.R,'' he said.

Oct. 30 came to be celebrated as prisoners day after the inmates of the Perm and Mordovia prison camps went on a hunger strike in 1974 to demand better treatment.

Although Nikita Khrushchev released the bulk of prisoners from the camps after Josef Stalin's death in 1953, Brezhnev continued to send political dissidents there until his death in 1982.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has said there are no longer any political prisoners in the country. Former dissident Kronid Lubarsky, who now lives in the West, told the Moskovsky Komsomolets newspaper there are now less than 115 political prisoners.

For many who ended up in one of the hundreds of camps at the height of Stalin's mindless terror, the massive stone Lubyanka was often the first stop to the Gulag. Today the KGB no longer uses the building as a detention faciility but as offices.

Originally the All Russian Insurance Company, Lubyanka was taken over by Lenin's police minions shortly after the Communists took power in October 1917 and it has been the seat of every KGB chief since.

At the first Congress of People's Deputies two years ago, former weightlifting champion Yuri Vlasov electrified the nation by demanding that the KGB should be moved out of Moscow and that Lubyanka should be made into a clinic or put to some other use because of its shameful past.

Vlasov's father, it has since come to light, was a victim of the Stalin terror.

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#90300u1467 10/27/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 27) UPI - The Senate gave final congressional approval today to a historic budget agreement that lumps together tax increases and spending cuts to reduce the nation's deficit by 490-BILLION dollars over the next five years. The House earlier approved the core package on a 228-220 roll call vote. Senators voted 54-45 to approve the budget package, which now goes to the White House. President Bush is expected to sign it into law.

International pressure on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein appears to be mounting today. The U-N Security Council said it would hold Iraq responsible for war damage and the safety of foreign nationals if the Persian Gulf crisis erupts. The 15-member council ended two days of discussions early this morning by finalizing a new resolution calling for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

Soviet President Gorbachev turned his attention to the Middle East today during his visit to Madrid, Spain. Gorbachev said Saddam is ''very much mistaken'' if he thinks he can drive a wedge between nations that are opposed to his takeover of Kuwait. The Soviet leader repeated his view that a political solution would be the best way out of the crisis.

President Bush convened a five-hour summit meeting of Pacific Island nations today in Honolulu, Hawaii, saying the session was long overdue. The unprecedented gathering of the 11 tiny nations had NO set agenda and was NOT expected to produce any major decisions or big announcements. Dozens of demonstrators protesting Bush's Persian Gulf policy staged a rally outside the meeting.

A landmark clean-air bill received final congressional approval today and is now awaiting the signature of President Bush. The Senate followed yesterday's House vote in approving the measure today by a margin of 89- 10 before sending it to the White House. The bill, which strengthens the 1977 Clean Air Act, will require almost every major industry to make costly efforts to reduce hazardous emissions.

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#90300u1478 10/27/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 28) UPI - Americans across the nation Saturday rallied against tax hikes invoked by Congress to cut the federal deficit with many protesters wielding brooms symbolizing their desire to ''sweep'' out of office those who voted for the budget plan.

The Libertarian Party and other anti-tax citizens groups organized the rallys, riding a wave of growing taxpayer opposition to the 1991 budget.

Congress approved the historic agreement Saturday to reduce the federal

deficit by $490 billion over the next five years through a mix of tax increases and benefit cuts. President Bush said he will sign the bill.

In Chicago, U.S. Rep. Lynn Martin, R-Ill., criticized her House colleagues Saturday for their ''arrogance'' in pushing through tax increases in the new budget.

Jim Tobin, chairman of the Angry Taxpayers Action Committee, was cheered as he read a ''Taxpayers' Declaration of Independence'' to a crowd of about 100 people in downtown Chicago.

In Albany, N.Y., about 50 people, some carrying brooms, rallied at the Federal Building plaza against high federal and state taxes and for the ouster of every incumbent New York congressman in the Nov. 6 election.

''It's time for a clean sweep, sweep out the big spenders from Congress,'' said rally organizer Mitch Goldstein.

About 300 people gathered in front of the federal building in Salt Lake City in a rally organized by the Utah Taxpayers Association.

''My intent ... is to keep Utah's congressional delegation's feet to the fire, to let them know we want results,'' said Howard Stephenson, spokesman for the Utah group.

''We're not going to continue to stand for increasing deficits and higher taxes,'' he said. ''This has been called a deficit reduction plan, but over the next five years it increases the deficit.''

Anti-tax crusader Richard Headlee addressed a lively rally attented by about 4,000 people in Detroit's downtown area.

Headlee said none of the tax increases in the deficit reduction plan were justified. But he was cautious in criticizing Bush personally, saying he felt the president had received bad advice.

Headlee, who chairs the organization Taxpayers United, said he was greatly disappointed in the failure of the legislation to include a spending freeze.

''It's just back to business as usual,'' he said. ''Sacrifices are really on the revenue side by the taxpayers.''

Headlee added there ''should have been a spending freeze for one year and no discussion of revenues until we saw exactly what happened with the spending freeze.''

A protest rally at the Westwood Federal Building in Los Angeles was organized by the Taxpayer's Action Day coalition, a team of 12 taxpayer lobby

organizations.

''We don't think there is any excuse for new taxes,'' said Marlo Lewis, research director of Citizen's Against Government Waste. ''The government should be put on a diet - preferably a starvation diet.''

Lewis said instead of tax hikes, he would prefer to cut the deficit by curbing wasteful government spending, as outlined in a Grace Commission study during the Reagan administration. The commission, a panel of business leaders, called for federal budget savings through the conversion of some government functions to private ownership.

About 50 people walked in single file around the post office in Bloomfield, N.J. They carried whisk brooms and signs with slogans such as ''Throw the big spenders out,'' ''Tax revolt'' and ''Senior citizens on fixed incomes.''

One man was dressed like Abe Lincoln, complete with a stovepipe hat with a sign attached that said ''Stop taxes.''

The deficit reduction legislation raises the income taxes of the wealthy, increases taxes on gasoline, tobacco, liquor, wine and beer and hits the elderly with higher premiums and deductibles for Medicare, their health insurance program.

The legislation also slashes benefit programs, ranging from farm subsidies to veterans programs.

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#90300u1518 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 28) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE U.S.A.:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	78	47	....
Anchorage cy	34	24	....
Asheville sy	65	29	....
Atlanta sy	67	41	....
Baltimore cy	57	30	....
Billings w	60	31	....
Birmingham sy	72	34	....
Bismarck sy	51	36	....
Boston pc	49	34	....
Brownsville pc	82	56	....
Buffalo sh	55	27	....
Burlington Vt. sh	44	23	....
Charleston S.C. sy	63	47	....
Charlotte sy	62	35	....
Chicago sy	64	42	....

Cincinnati pc	62	32	....
Cleveland sh	57	29	....
Columbus Ohio pc	61	29	....
Dallas sy	82	49	....
Denver sy	68	37	....
Des Moines sy	58	45	....
Detroit mc	60	31	....
Duluth sy	48	38	....
El Paso c	85	41	....
Evansville sy	67	31	....
Fargo sy	53	41	....
Hartford cy	52	31	....
Honolulu sy	87	68	....
Houston f	77	47	....
Indianapolis sy	63	34	....
Jackson Miss. sy	74	32	....
Jacksonville sy	72	43	....
Kansas City sy	69	49	....
Las Vegas sy	85	52	....
Little Rock sy	74	45	....
Los Angeles hz	85	61	....
Louisville sy	65	33	....
Memphis sy	71	40	....
Miami Beach pc	78	63	....
Milwaukee sy	63	45	....
Minneapolis sy	54	47	....
Nashville sy	69	32	....
New Orleans sy	71	42	....
New York sh	54	35	....
Oklahoma City sy	75	49	....
Omaha sy	60	50	....
Orlando pc	78	51	....
Philadelphia cy	57	34	....
Phoenix sy	95	63	....
Pittsburgh sh	56	27	....
Portland Me. cy	48	34	....
Portland Ore. sh	66	47	....
Providence pc	50	33	....
Richmond pc	58	34	....
St. Louis sy	71	48	....
Salt Lake City pc	70	38	....
San Antonio sy	80	49	....
San Diego pc	74	52	....
San Francisco pc	72	50	....
San Juan pc	91	78	....
Seattle sh	61	45	....
Spokane r	58	37	....
Tampa pc	78	49	....

Washington cy	57	35	....
Wichita sy	73	46	....

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

pc-partly cloudy

mc-mostly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

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#90300u1562 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 27) UPI - President Bush will take the next step in resolving the budget crisis. The Senate today followed the House lead and approved a historic deficit-slashing agreement by a 54-45 vote. Bush says he will sign the bill into law. It is aimed at reducing the federal deficit by 490- BILLION dollars over the next five years with a combination of tax hikes and spending cuts. Final congressional approval of the plan clears the way for Congress to adjourn.

The commander of the American forces in Saudi Arabia says he hopes to avoid a military confrontation with Iraq so he can spare his soldiers the horrors of

war. General H. Norman Schwarzkopf made his comments in an interview for tomorrow's edition of an Atlanta newspaper. But General Schwarzkopf adds that the allied forces are ready for war if it breaks out.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry was on the campaign trail today... one day after being sentenced to six months in jail for cocaine possession. Barry was stumping for one of two at-large City Council seats in the nation's capital. The mayor's campaign manager says Barry's run for City Council will continue as planned this weekend with ''motorcades, community stops, house parties and church services.''

The special European Community summit taking place in Rome is scheduled to touch on several topics. But disarray among the 12 members over world trade talks overshadowed the Persian Gulf crisis and other issues today. The E-C is deeply divided over what position to take on farm subsidies at the 105-nation talks on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade- or GATT. Many E-C officials had hoped that the GATT issue could be resolved before this weekend's meeting.

A Soviet group will set up a monument next week to commemorate the Millions of people who were imprisoned in the Gulag labor camps. Members of the Memorial Society Tuesday night will erect a stark monument consisting of a natural stone boulder near the K-G-B's dreaded Lubyanka headquarters in Moscow. The society says its ultimate goal is to set up an institute housing archives and memoirs of the labor camps.

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#90300u1752 10/27/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 27) UPI - President Bush promises to sign the budget agreement which he says includes some things that he strongly advocates and others that he- quote- ''will gag on and have to digest.'' Congress gave final approval to the deficit-cutting budget today. .

The measure includes a number of tax hikes... and Illinois Republican Representative Lynn Martin today led a Chicago rally of about 100 people angered by the approval of the deficit-cutting plan. Martin criticized her House colleagues for allowing the budget to pass.

The Senate voted 89-10 today in favor of strengthening the 1977 Clean Air Act. The new bill calls on almost every major industry to cut emissions that lead to toxic hazards, acid rain, urban smog and ozone depletion.

Partial results from today's election in Pakistan show ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto was defeated in one province and trailing in three others. The voting was marred by violence that left 33 people dead and 92 others wounded.

Heeding diplomats' warnings that a wrong move could worsen the Persian Gulf

crisis... the United Nations Security Council delayed for two days consideration of new measures to force Iraq out of Kuwait. The Soviet Union requested the postponement.

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#90300u1753 10/27/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 27) UPI - President Bush met in Honolulu today with representatives of 11 tiny island nations from the strategic Pacific basin. Bush pledged support and expanded assistance for- what he called- the ''Aquatic Continent.''

Egyptian police this morning stormed four fundamentalist hideouts and arrested a half-dozen people believed responsible for the assassination of the nation's speaker of parliament. Two Moslem fundamentalists were killed in the raids.

A Philadelphia child care specialist says parents should take time to explain Halloween costumes to their young children. Liz Armistead says toddlers may scream and cry when dressed in the costumes because they think they've really been changed into the character.

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#90300u1869 10/27/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 27) UPI - Lawmakers today ended months of drawn-out negotiations over a deficit-cutting budget plan by giving their final approval to the agreement. The measure cuts spending on benefit programs and limits spending for military domestic and foreign aid programs. It also raises taxes on the rich and on gasoline, cigarettes, alcohol and some luxury items. President Bush has promised to sign the measure.

A weary Congress continued its drive toward adjournment this evening by taking action a number of other bills after races to pass the budget and the clear air act. The Senate gave final approval to a comprehensive housing assistance bill... making the first changes in federal housing programs in a decade. Lawmakers also sent a compromise immigration bill to President Bush for his approval.

Attempts to get Iraq out of Kuwait continue... with a Soviet envoy arriving in Baghdad today for his second meeting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The Soviet Union asked other members of the U-N Security Council to delay consideration of new measures to drive Iraqi invasion forces out of Kuwait. The council put the action off until Monday.

Provincial voting in Pakistan today is being marred by violence that's already claimed 33 lives. 92 others were wounded in the clashes between supporters of rival parties. Partial results from the voting show ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto is losing her bid to regain control of the government. Bhutto's party is already defeated in one province and is trailing in three others.

President Bush promises the United States will expand the assistance it lends to 11 small Pacific island nations. Bush met with their leaders today in Honolulu. Bush said his administration will join the island nations in their battle against commercial driftnet fishing. The president also pledged to establish two new funds to boost private sector investment and natural resource development in the region.

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#90301d2290 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 28) - German Social Democrats, the main opposition group in parliament, voiced disappointment on Sunday at the outcome of the EEC summit in Rome which decided to name January 1, 1994, as the start of a second-phase transition period towards monetary union, overriding British objections.

The compromise formula found in Rome could endanger the stability of the Deutsche mark, Wolfgang Roth, economic expert of the Social Democratic Party (SPD), said.

Mr. Roth said the summit also failed to set new guidelines for closer cooperation between the EEC and the reforming East European countries and to back Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's reform policy.

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#90301d2300 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 28) - Fourteen competitors tested positive for steroids during the world amateur bodybuilding championships, International Federation of Body Builders president Ben Weider said on Sunday.

He said that the body builders, including three Asians, tested positive for various steriods, including nandrolone, winstrol, oxandrolone, dianabol and testeron.

The body builders who tested positive were: Sammy Ayochok (Philippines), Thomas Davidson (Denmark), Fathimshummed Krishi (Finland), Yahya Butt (Pakistan), Alfred Nevgebaver (Austria), Brian Gerald Grossman (N Ireland), Steven Naylor (Wales), Mohammad Noor Aminuddin (Malaysia), Paul Jeffrey Landsborough (Scotland), Joseph Mammolit (Belgium), Marela Marowski (Poland), Gustav Ander (Sweden), Jose Luis Vazovez (Mexico), and Ivar Havksson (Iceland).

Weider said that the bodybuilders would be suspended for a year but Butt of Pakistan, a second offender, would be suspended for two years.

Weider said that the 14 bodybuilders were among 40 randomly picked from 185 bodybuilders from 70 countries who took part.

Germany's Achim Albrecht was crowned "Mr. Universe" after winning the heavyweight category, beating off five other finalists including favourite Jerry Rodgers of the United States.

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#90301d2330 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (OCT. 28) - Ivory Coast authorities on Sunday decided to extend voting hours in some polling stations around Abidjan for the country's first multi-party elections, while opposition leaders denounced "countless irregularities."

"Voting has been delayed in some voting bureaus in Abidjan," an interior ministry communique broadcast over national television said, adding that an unspecified number of stations in question would remain open "until the end," without giving a time.

The polls, which opened at 0800 GMT, were scheduled to close at 1800 GMT with the first results expected late Sunday. No major incidents were reported in Abidjan as of 1500 GMT.

President Felix Houphouet-Boigny, who has led the country for 30 years, is facing Professor Laurent Gbagbo, the Ivorian Popular Front (FPI) candidate, who has the backing of the main left-wing parties.

At a news conference Sunday, Mr. Gbagbo denounced the "stuffing of ballot boxes, an archaic fraud," as well as "fake polling stations" and the absence of voter lists at the polling booths.

Mr. Gbagbo showed a pile of 1,464 slips cast for Mr. Houphouet-Boigny and seven for himself taken from a ballot box at Abobo Gare, one of Abidjan's working class districts.

The opposition candidate said his supporters had legally opened the box before the polls were opened and found the slips.

"Our militants were forced to stop the polls" there and in several other stations around Abdijan, he said.

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#90301d2430 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BARCELONA (OCT. 28) - Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov met for an hour Sunday in Baghdad with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, Soviet foreign minister Eduard Sheverdnadze said here.

Mr. Sheverdnadze, accompanying Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on an official visit to Spain, said he did not know the outcome of the talks.

But he said: "It was not the mission of last hope."

"It's difficult to know what the concrete outcome (of the meeting) will be, but there was no question of compromise. First Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait " Mr. Shevardnadze said.

Mr. Primakov arrived in Iraq on Saturday.

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#90301d2600 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BARCELONA, Spain (OCT. 28) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev left this northeastern Spanish city Sunday afternoon for Paris, ending a three-day visit to Spain.

Mr. Gorbachev and his wife were greeted in Madrid Sunday morning by King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia, putting an end to the official part of the Soviet leader's visit.

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#90301d2650 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHARTOUM (OCT. 28) - Sudanese leader General Omar Beshir denied Sunday there was a famine in the country, saying that was being reported as such was a grain shortage in isolated areas in western and eastern regions.

Beshir told newspaper editors that Sudan had not asked for food aid from the United States. He said there was a campaign by newspapers in Saudi Arabia and some Gulf states against Sudan which he regretted, the Sudan News Agency (Suna) reported.

''These states should not interpret our self-restraint as cowardice,'' he said.

Sudan has appealed for international aid following crop failures due to drought. Beshir said no country, except those with surpluses, can meet the needs of its citizens all year round.

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#90301d2680 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (OCT. 28) - Iraqi authorities on Sunday authorized the departure of ten Greek hostages out of a total of 24 held in Iraq since the beginning of the Gulf crisis, the government announced here.

The move followed a series of meetings since Wednesday in Baghdad between two deputies from the opposition Greek Socialist Party (PASOK) and leaders of Iraq's ruling Ba'ath party.

A government spokesman said that the Greek embassy in Baghdad had informed the foreign ministry of the Iraqi decision.

The ten people set free had been included on a list of persons suffering from illnesses, which had been delivered to Iraqi authorities by the Greek embassy, official sources said.

The foreign ministry announced in a statement that it had immediately taken measures to facilitate the return of the hostages.

An official from the foreign ministry's crisis committee told AFP that the Greek government was trying to obtain authorization from Iraqi authorities for a special plane to land in Baghdad as soon as possible to evacuate the hostages.

George Stefanos, president of an organization of families of Greek hostages,

said on Greek radio that the decision to free the ten hostages had been reached at a meeting on Sunday between the PASOK delegation and Iraqi First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan.

One of the hostages to be released was a woman who had chosen to remain in Iraq with her husband.

Twenty-four Greek nationals are held hostage in Iraq, including one Greek citizen who also holds an American passport.

PASOK leader Andreas Papandreou, who was Greek prime minister from 1981 to 1989, revealed last week that he had undertaken a secret initiative over the past two months to obtain liberation of the Greek hostages.

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#90301d2820 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (OCT. 28) - Belgium has asked France, Germany and the Netherlands to help in the setting up of a proposed African intervention force for war-wracked Rwanda, Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens said here Saturday on the sidelines of the European Economic Community summit.

Rwanda has asked the Organisation of African Unity (OAU) to put together a force to police a ceasefire between Rwandan government troops and rebels who entered the country from neighbouring Uganda at the beginning of the month.

Mr. Martens said he had received a telephone call from OAU secretary-general Salim Ahmed Salim saying that European aid was essential for the setting up of such a force.

The Belgian premier, who reaffirmed that "in any event, the Belgian paratroops will leave Rwanda on November 1", said such aid could take the form of financial or logistical help, although the OAU had not yet stated exactly what kind and how much help it would like.

According to Mr. Martens, the request could be for 20 jeeps and three helicopters.

He did not indicate what the response had been to the Belgian request to the other three European states, saying only that "a country has indicated to us that for it to be able to send military aid, it needed the approval of parliament".

The Belgian government has said it is withdrawing 535 paratroops it sent when the troubles started in order to protect Belgian nationals. A ceasefire was supposed to have gone into effect in Rwanda Wednesday, but the fighting is reported to have continued.

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#90301d2850 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (OCT. 28) - About three thousand Romanians demonstrated outside the Soviet embassy here Sunday here Sunday in support of the "territorial integrity" of the troubled Soviet republic of Moldavia.

Demonstrators shouted "Bessarabia, Bessarabia, Romanian land" and "Great Romania, old borders", referring to the former name of the southwestern Soviet republic, which was part of Romania before World War II.

The demonstration was organized by a Bucharest-Kishinev cultural association, the Free Democratic Party and the Free Republican Party.

Kishinev is the capital of Moldavia.

Demonstrators in the southern town of Alexandria and in Timisoara said they protested against "destabilizing and separatist activities by the (ethnic Turkish) Gagauz" minority in Moldavia.

Soviet police reinforcements were rushed to Moldavia Sunday after "volunteers" from the republic's ethnic Romanian majority threatened to crush an autonomy bid by the Gagauz.

A state of emergency was imposed in the south of the republic Friday.

The crisis was sparked off when the Gagauz, who number about 150,000 and who proclaimed their own "republic" last August, went ahead this week with elections to their own independent national assembly.

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#90301d2970 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROME (OCT. 28) - The EEC decided on Sunday to release a 600-million-dollar loan to Hungary, which had been withheld pending evidence of progress in economic and political reforms, official sources said.

Following their two-day summit, the 12 EEC leaders also asked the executive European Commission to study the possibility of creating a financial reserve to assist Eastern Europe in purchasing oil, diplomatic sources said.

The 600-million-dollar loan is the second portion of a billion-dollar EEC assistance package for Hungary. The sum was released due to the precarious state of the Hungarian economy, diplomatic sources said.

The EEC and its member countries declared "that they will help Hungary to overcome its problems, particularly in terms of oil supplies," according to a final statement released by the office of Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, who holds the rotating EEC presidency.

The EEC also said that it had a "responsibility" to help Eastern European countries to succeed in their economic reforms despite the rise in Soviet oil prices and a world-wide increase in the cost of oil due to the Gulf crisis.

The EEC called on the European Commission to "study a form of specific assistance," a phrase which diplomats said referred to the creation of a reserve of capital to assist Eastern European countries in purchasing oil.

The European commission has estimated that Eastern Europe will need eight billion dollars to offset the effects of increased oil prices.

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#90301d3620 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO (OCT 28) - American teenager Jennifer Capriati beat fellow countrywoman Zina Garrison 5-7, 6-4, 6-2 to win the 150,000-dollar women's tennis tournament here Sunday, her first Grand Prix victory.

The 14-year-old American's victory over Garrison, ranked 6th in world tennis, also qualified her for participation in the women's Masters tournament in New York in November.

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#90301d3680 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROME (OCT. 28) - Italian nationals held against their will by Iraqi authorities called on Italian President Francesco Cossiga Sunday to take all necessary steps for their return home, ANSA news agency reported.

In a message to the agency -- the third in two days following similar appeals to Pope John Paul II and Communist Party chief Achille Occhetto -- the hostages said: "The war machine has gained speed these days in its course to a point of no return".

The hostages said they had the impression that Mr. Cossiga had forgotten about them.

They said the Italian president should "take initiatives to ensure our security and our return to our families".

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#90301d3750 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (OCT. 28) - The Hungarian government reached a compromise agreement Sunday with business and labor representatives reducing gasoline price increases which had led to a taxi drivers strike and blockade of traffic nationwide.

The government agreed after eight hours of talks to a 12-forint (20-cent) cut per litre in motor fuel prices which were upped last Thursday. The reductions in the increased prices will take place as of Monday midnight.

The new price is to remain effective until parliament votes a deregulation of gasoline prices.

Taxi drivers who went on strike Friday, a day after the government raised motor fuel prices by 65 per cent, had said they would lift road blocks if the increased gasoline prices were reduced.

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#90301d3810 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (OCT. 28) - Egyptian police rounded up more than 390 Islamic fundamentalists following the arrest Saturday of eight militants suspected in the assassination of the country's parliamentary speaker, Cairo newspapers reported here in their Monday editions.

Most of those detained in the second wave of arrests late Saturday and Sunday were from the central and southern provinces of Beni Sueif and Assyut, according to the newspapers Al-Gumhouria and Al-Ahram.

Eight of the militants were leaders of the Al-Jihad (Holy War) group that police believe was involved in the killing October 12 in downtown Cairo of Rifaat al-Mahgoub, speaker of the Egyptian parliament.

The second sweep followed police operations here Saturday in which two members

of Al-Jihad were killed and eight were captured, including one who was wounded.

Two police officers and three soliders were also injured during raids on the hide-outs of Mr. Mahgoub's alleged killers, according to the interior ministry.

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#90301d3830 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (OCT. 28) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein issued a presidential decree Sunday dismissing Oil Minister Issam Abdel Rahim al-Jalabi from his post, the Iraqi news agency Ina reported.

Ina gave no reasons for al-Jalabi's dismissal. Hussein Kamel Hassan, former minister of industry and military industrialization, was named new oil minister to succeed al-Jalabi, Ina said.

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#90301d3960 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (OCT. 28) - President Vaclav Havel Sunday called on ethnic groups in Czechoslovakia to preserve their country's unity and prevent attempts to destabilize it.

Speaking on the 72th anniversary of the Czechoslovakian independence from Austria, Mr. Havel said the two dominant ethnic groups -- Czechs and Slovaks -- and all other national minorities "must oppose all signs of hatred and racist intolerance, national or political, as well as all attempts to destabilize the young democracy".

He said the current crisis was due to the difficult and slow political changes after last year's peaceful revolution that ended four decades of communism.

"We ... are about to lose the credit we gained in the peaceful and swift revolution,", Mr. Havel said, pointing to "concern, impatience and deception among the people, as well as growing anger".

In his televised speech Mr. Havel also called on young Slovaks "not to listen to nationalist demagogy by people who identify autonomy and national dignity with a return to the ghosts of the past".

The president was referring to the independent Slovak state that was a close ally of Nazi Germany from 1939-45 after the country's Czech region had been annexed by Hitler.

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#90301d4040 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ALGIERS (OCT. 28) - Some 7,000 people demonstrated against soaring food

prices Sunday at Jijel in the east of the country on a call by the General Union of Algerian Workers, the official APS agency reported.

There has been an unprecedented doubling over the past few weeks in the prices of fruit, vegetables and meat.

The demonstrators bore banners reading "A loaf of bread and half a bottle of milk are meal for a worker" and a "Stop the speculation".

They also called for an increase in the minimum wage to 4,000 dinars a month (about 420 dollars) and bigger family subsidy payments.

The demonstration came the day after the trade union organisation and the government of Prime Minister Mouloud Hamrouche reached agreement on an increase in the minimum salary level to take it from 1,500 to 2,500 dinars next July.

The unions had been asking for a minimum salary of 4,000 dinars a month and a freeze on the prices of basic commodities.

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#90301d4920 10/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 29) - Fuji Bank Ltd. said Monday it has lent 115 million dollars to state-run Air China Co., the first such loan by a Japanese bank to China since the bloody suppression of pro-democracy protests in Beijing last year.

A Fuji Bank spokesman said the loan would enable China's national carrier to buy Boeing 747-200 planes.

He did not say how many aircraft were involved nor give precise details of the loan agreement other than that it would be repayable over 12 years and carry a low interest rate.

This will be the first loan to China by Japanese banks after sanctions were imposed on Beijing following the military crackdown on pro-democracy demostrators in Tiananmen Square in June 1989.

Fuji Bank's loan also comes before the planned visit to China by a high-powered bankers mission slated for November 6-15 to discuss economic and trade relations and Japanese investments.

Announcing the visit last month, Taizo Hashida, chairman of the Federation of Bankers' Associations of Japan, said the time had come to consider the resumption of loans in view of the changed international situation.

The bankers' mission could herald a total lifting of the ban on loans to China banking sources said.

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#90301h0099 10/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
CAIRO (OCT. 28) XINHUA - A TEAM OF U.S. MARINES TODAY BOARDED AN IRAQI MERCHANT VESSEL WHICH REFUSED TO COMPLY TO AN ORDER TO STOP, ACCORDING TO A REPORT FROM DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA.

THIS TOOK PLACE EARLY THIS MORNING IN THE NORTH ARABIAN SEA OFF THE MASIRAH ISLAND. THE U.S. NAVY FRIGATE REASONER AND THE AUSTRALIAN GUIDED MISSILE CRUISER HMAS DARWIN FIRED WARNING SHOTS ACROSS THE BOW OF IRAQI VESSEL AMURIYAH WHEN IT REFUSED TO STOP.

A HELICOPTER FROM THE USS OGDEN DROPPED A TEAM OF MARINES ON BOARD THE 157,000-TON MERCHANT VESSEL, WHICH WAS RELEASED AFTER THE BOARDING PARTY FOUND NO GOODS BANNED BY THE U.N. SANCTIONS, THE REPORT QUOTED U.S. NAVAL OFFICERS AS SAYING.

AN FA-18 AND AN F-14 TOMCAT FROM THE CARRIER USS INDEPENDENCE CONDUCTED SIX LOW LEVEL PASSES IN THE VICINITY AFTER THE WARNING SHOTS WERE FIRED.

BY OCTOBER 26, THE MULTINATIONAL NAVAL FORCES HAD INTERCEPTED 2,738 SHIPS AND BOARDED 282 OF THEM IN SEARCH OF BANNED CARGO TO IMPLEMENT THE U.N.-ENDORSED EMBARGO ON IRAQ FOR ITS AUGUST 2 INVASION OF KUWAIT.

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#90301h0100 10/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 28) XINHUA - SOUTH AFRICAN ANTI-APARTHEID LEADER NELSON MANDELA TODAY CALLED ON JAPANESE PEOPLE TO GIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SOUTH AFRICAN ANTI-APARTHEID MOVEMENT.

SPEAKING AT A CIVIC RALLY AND CONCERT IN AN UNIVERSITY AUDITORIUM IN TOKYO, THE 72-YEAR-OLD DEPUTY PRESIDENT OF THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC) CALLED FOR JAPANESE ASSISTANCE IN ANC'S ANTI-APARTHEID STRUGGLE.

MANDELA, WHO WAS RELEASED IN FEBRUARY AFTER 27 YEARS IN PRISON, ARRIVED HERE ON SATURDAY FOR A SIX-DAY VISIT TO JAPAN ON HIS FORTH-LEG ASIAN AND PACIFIC TOUR. HE HAD ALREADY VISITED INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND INDONESIA.

EARLY IN THE DAY, MANDELA TOLD A WELCOME RALLY OF 20,000 PEOPLE IN OSAKA THAT HE WOULD ASK THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS CORPORATIONS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO BUILD A NEW SOUTH AFRICA AND TO SUPPORT ANC'S ACTIVITIES.

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#90301h0106 10/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LONDON (OCT. 28) XINHUA - SIX PEOPLE WERE KILLED AND ONE SERIOUSLY INJURED IN A TWO-CAR CRASH DURING HEAVY RAIN IN ENGLAND ON SUNDAY.

POLICE SAID THAT THE ACCIDENT HAPPENED JUST BEFORE ONE A.M. ON A MAJOR ROAD AT CHALFONT ST. PETER, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

TWO MEN AND TWO WOMEN IN THEIR LATE TEENS OR EARLY 20S WERE KILLED IN AN AUSTIN METRO AND A FIFTH PERSON INJURED.

THE OTHER TWO VICTIMS, A MIDDLE-AGED MAN AND WOMAN, WERE IN A A PEUGEOT CAR.

HEAVY RAIN AND STRONG STORMS SWEPT THE BRITISH ISLES AT THE WEEKEND WITH NORTHERN IRELAND AND SOUTHTERN ENGLAND WORST HIT.

PARTS OF NORTHERN IRELAND HAVE BEEN BADLY HIT BY FLOODING WITH THE RIVER TOW IN BALLYCASTLE BURSTING ITS BANKS AND SWEEPING THREE BRIDGES AWAY.

A COASTGUARD SPOKESMAN SAID THAT A NUMBER OF RESIDENTS WERE TRAPPED BY THE RISING WATER WHILE 41 ELDERLY PEOPLE WERE TAKEN TO SAFETY FROM A HOME.

THE TOWN OF CUSHENDAL WAS VIRTUALLY CUT OFF DUE TO LANDSLIDES AND THE MAIN LANE TO BELFAST ROAD WAS ALSO CLOSED.

IN SOUTHERN ENGLAND, DEVON WAS ALSO HIT BY HEAVY RAIN LEAVING HOMES AND ROADS FLOODED. A DEVON FIRE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT SEVERAL HOMES UNDER FOUR FEET OF WATER, WERE EVACUATED.

ON FRIDAY, THE LONDON WEATHER CENTRE WARNED AGAINST A HURRICANE UP TO 100 MILES PER HOUR SWEEPING THE LENGTH AND BREADTH OF THE COUNTRY.

HOWEVER, IT REVISED ITS FORECAST EARLIER TODAY AND SCALED IT DOWN TO BLUSTERY 60-MILE-PER-HOUR WINDS ALONG THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.

IN JANUARY THIS YEAR, BRITAIN WAS HIT BY A SIMILAR HURRICANE THAT LEFT 47 DEAD UPROOTED THREE MILLION TREES AND CAUSED MILLIONS OF POUNDS OF DAMAGE.

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#90301p0471 10/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (OCT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - In meetings held this weekend, members of the Canadian Auto Workers union at Chrysler Canada have ratified a new collective agreement by the largest vote yet in negotiations this fall with the big three auto makers. The production workers have ratified the new three-year agreement by a vote of 95.5 percent, and the skilled trades have ratified by a vote of 91.7 percent, for an overall vote of 94.6 percent in favor.

CAW President Bob White has called this agreement, which meets the auto pattern set at Ford Canada and followed by GM of Canada, "the best overall agreement in the history of the auto industry."

He added that this agreement is "an important step toward a better labor relations climate between the CAW and Chrysler."

The new agreement provides for wage increases, including cost-of- living protection, of 7.5 percent in the first year, 6.7 percent in the second year and 4.8 percent in the third year.

The agreement also includes a comprehensive worker security program, more time off the job, improved cost-of-living protection, an annual vacation bonus, and a new joint labor management committee on the environment.

White said that the worker security provision of the new agreement should help provide a framework for legislation to protect workers affected by layoffs and workplace closures.

There are more than 10,000 Chrysler Canada workers at facilities in Windsor, Etobicoke, Brampton, Bramalea, and Ajax, Ontario.

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#90301t0523 10/28/1990 ~ts
PARIS (OCTOBER 28) TASS - THE SOVIET UNION AND FRANCE SIGNED SEVERAL BILATERAL DOCUMENTS IN THE FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTRY TODAY.

THE SIDES SIGNED A PROGRAMME OF ECONOMIC, INDUSTRIAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION, A PROTOCOL OF AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION BETWEEN SOVIET AND FRENCH ENTERPRISES, AN AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION IN LABOUR RELATIONS, EMPLOYMENT AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING, LETTERS OF EXCHANGE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS AGREEMENT AND AN AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION BETWEEN THE USSR ACADEMY OF SCIENCES AND FRANCE'S NATIONAL RESEARCH CENTRE.

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#90301u0008 10/28/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 28) UPI - C O R R E C T I O N:

in 2nd sentence of 5th item, please read it XXX who announced a stickup early today, etc.

A prizewinning Japanese novelist says in an essay published in a Tokyo newspaper that Iraq is today acting like prewar Japan. The novelist says Iraq under Saddam Hussein is defying the world in the name of justice as Japan did in the 1930s and 40s. But the writer adds that he doubts Iraq will follow in Japan's footsteps and attack the United States. .

President Bush also had World War Two and Iraq on his mind as he addressed a

crowd of about five-thousand military workers at Hickam Air Force Base today in Honolulu. Bush said the world paid dearly for appeasing an aggressor in the second world war- quoting Bush now- ''we're not going to make that mistake again.'' Bush traveled to Hawaii to campaign for a Republican Senate candidate.

The European Community is moving ahead with plans of having a single European currency by the end of the decade, despite Margaret Thatcher's reservations. E-C leaders agreed today at a meeting in Rome to create a central bank- ''the Eurofed'' during the next stage toward E-C monetary union. E-C leaders downplayed the objections of Britain's prime minister, who says she woN'T allow a single currency to be imposed on Britain.

Minnesota's Independent-Republican candidate for governor has quit the race, just nine days before the election. Jon Grunseth nearly quit three days ago due to a report that he encouraged teen-age girls to swim nude with him in 1981. The conservative Grunseth withdrew today after the Minneapolis Star Tribune reported allegations the candidate had a nine-year illicit affair.

What looked to be a Halloween trick proved to be NO treat for patrons of a bar in Great Neck, New York. A bartender and three patrons ignored a masked bandit who announced a stickup early today, thinking it was a holiday prank. But they changed their minds quickly when the man pulled a gun, shooting one patron in the leg. The gunman then fled with about four-thousand dollars.

Debra Hutcherson says she wanted she wanted her wedding to be different. The Cincinnati woman says convincing her groom to go along was difficult, but NOT impossible. Hutcherson... dressed as the Bride of Frankenstein... married Anthony Taylor... or Frankenstein, yesterday. The minister came in his usual churchly garb, but guests came as clowns, witches, superheroes and jailbirds.

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#90301u0034 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 28) UPI - The Daily News said it managed to publish and deliver more than half of its normal run Saturday despite intensified efforts by striking workers to stop distribution of the nation's second-largest newspaper.

News spokeswoman Lisa Robinson said 710,000 newspapers were put out on the street overnight, an increase of about 100,000 papers from Friday. A normal press run for the News is just under 1.2 million, she said.

The struggle to publish the newspaper came as striking workers intensified their efforts to stymie distribution on the third day of the walkout that has seen delivery trucks firebombed and scores of replacement workers pelted with bottles, stones and eggs.

A dozen striking News workers were arrested in overnight violence - including

four men caught with a small cache of assorted ammunition, explosives, smoke bombs and weapons, said Sgt. Mary Wrensen, a police spokesman.

A bus carrying replacement workers was attacked Saturday afternoon at the Brooklyn entrance to the Manhattan Bridge, said a police spokesman, Sgt. Edward Burns.

''One guy fired a couple of shots, another broke windows on the bus with a baseball bat,'' said Burns. ''They wore ski masks. One person on the bus had a minor injury, a cut finger. The assailants escaped over the bridge to Manhattan in their vehicles.''

The newspaper dismissed most of its 2,400 union workers Friday as nine of its 10 unions decided to strike following a pre-dawn dispute Thursday over whether a pressman claiming a medical disability could sit down on the job at a Brooklyn plant.

Only the printers union said it would continue working, citing the need to protect their lifetime job guarantees - plans they made known months ago.

With scores of replacement deliverers, pressmen, machinists and others already on the job, the News said more workers - including reporters and editors - were brought in from Illinois and Florida to work on the paper.

Despite the outside help, management announced an undetermined number of jobs were available to members of the nine striking unions and it did not matter whether those who would return to work remained in their unions.

Federal law says employers may not force workers to quit their unions as a condition for work.

''For anyone who wants to come back to work, there are positions that are still available,'' said Robinson. ''They can come back if they have not been permanently replaced.''

The only talks the news has scheduled are with the drivers on Wednesday, said a spokesman, John Sloan.

Tom Pennacchio, secretary-treasurer for The Newspaper Guild, which represents some 800 reporters and editors, said the unions would try to rally public support for a boycott.

He said no talks have been scheduled between management and the unions.

The strike brought to a boil a simmering dispute that began 10 months ago when the Tribune Co. - which owns the News - opened contract talks vowing to seek millions of dollars in cost reductions and impose sweeping control of hours and working conditions.

The company has insisted union concessions are essential to keep the newspaper from drowning in red ink.

Labor leaders, from the outset, have claimed that the company wanted to provoke a strike to break the unions as part of a plan to either close or sell the tabloid - the second-largest circulation newspaper in the country after the Los Angeles Times.

The unions have been working without a contract since March 31.

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#90301u0048 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 28) UPI - President Bush may want to avoid reading the upcoming issue of Newsweek. The magazine says only 48 percent of the Americans it surveyed approve of the way Bush is handling his job. Only 19 percent of those polled said they trust Bush most to set the course for the nation's economic policy.

Iraq is expecting a shipment of medicine tomorrow when a French plane arrives in Baghdad to pick up about 300 French hostages. Officials in Paris say they're looking into whether complying with the Iraqi demand would break a U-N embargo against Iraq.

Mikhail Gorbachev arrived in Paris tonight for two days of talks with French officials. The Soviet president and Nobel Peace Prize laureate landed in the French capital in a pouring rain from Barcelona, Spain.

The European Community is moving ahead with its plans to create a single European currency by the end of the decade. E-C leaders agreed today to begin the next stage- including the creation of a central bank- in 1994.

The Ku Klux Klan marched today in Washington, D-C, setting off violence that left six demonstrators and eight police officers injured. Police arrested 43 anti-Klan protesters on disorderly conduct and assault charges.

Parts of the nation are flirting with winter. Showers fell this evening across the upper Atlantic Coast states... with cold air expected to turn the precipitation to snow overnight. A wintry weather advisory was posted for much of Vermont.

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(OCT. 28) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	9	3	0	18	50	30
New Jersey	8	3	1	17	50	38
Philadelphia	6	5	0	12	42	40
Washington	5	7	0	10	40	44
Pittsburgh	4	6	1	9	47	48
NY Islanders	3	7	0	6	27	42

Adams Division

Boston	6	4	1	13	36	41
Montreal	6	5	1	13	41	42
Hartford	4	5	2	10	30	35
Quebec	3	6	3	9	38	48
Buffalo	2	5	3	7	31	36

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Detroit	6	3	4	16	51	45
St. Louis	7	3	1	15	40	33
Chicago	7	5	0	14	41	31
Minnesota	2	7	3	7	31	47
Toronto	1	10	1	3	29	57

Smythe Division

Calgary	8	4	0	16	52	36
Los Angeles	7	2	1	15	47	30
Vancouver	6	5	0	12	37	38
Winnipeg	4	6	1	9	39	36
Edmonton	2	5	2	6	29	30

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(OCT. 28) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Vancouver	2	2	0-4
Hartford	0	1	1-2

First Period-1, Vancouver, Murphy 2 (Bozek, Stern), 3:44. 2, Vancouver, Nedved 1 (McBain, Capuano), pp, 15:06.

Penalties-Samuelsson, Har, 8:09; Verbeek, Har, 13:20; Murphy, Van, 18:38.

Second Period-3, Hartford, Francis 3 (Verbeek, Holik), 1:30. 4, Vancouver, Linden 6 (Lumme), pp, 3:09. 5, Vancouver, Linden 7 (Kron, Quinn), 19:11.

Penalties-Butcher, Van, 2:31; Plavsic, Van, 2:31; Dineen, Har, double-minor (roughing), minor (high-sticking) 2:31; McBain, Van, 5:14; McBain, Van, 8:58; Plavsic, Van, double-minor (holding, roughing), 8:58; Evason, Har, 8:58; Corriveau, Har, 8:58; Skriko, Van, 12:02; Verbeek, Har, 13:38.

Third Period-6, Hartford, Verbeek 3 (Francis, Baca), pp, 4:01. Penalties-Agnew Van, :16; Verbeek, Har, :16; Sandlak, Van, :28; Bozek, Van, 2:32; Guy, Har, 3:12; Baca, Har, 8:46; Sandlak, Van, double-minor (roughing), 10-minute misconduct, 11:00; Baca, Har, 11:30.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 11-8-3-22. Hartford 9-13-20-42.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 5-2. Hartford 9-1.

Goaltenders-Vancouver, Gamble. Hartford, Sidorkiewicz, Whitmore. A-12, 088.

Referee-Lance Roberts.

Chicago	0	2	2-4
Boston	0	0	5-5

First period-No scoring.

Penalties - Roenick, Chi, 4:06; B. Sweeney, Bos, 18:41.

Second period-1, Chicago, Creighton 3 (Presley, Goulet), 3:45; 2, Chicago, Larmer 10 (Roenick, Gilbert), 8:27.

Penalties-Walz, Bos, 9:24; Brown, Chi, 11:54; Manson, Chi, major (fighting), 16:02; Shoebottom, Bos, major (fighting), 16:02; Grimson, Chi, major (fighting), 16:02; Nilan, Bos minor- major (fighting), 16:02.

Third period-3, Chicago, Goulet 2 (Thomas, Brown), 2:08. 4, Boston, Carpenter 2 (Hodge, Neely), 2:58. 5, Boston, Burridge 2 (D. Sweeney, Byce), 6:46. 6, Chicago, Gilbert 2 (Larmer, Roenick), 7:51. 8, Boston, Neely 5 (Ruzicka, Weimer), 15:57. 9, Boston, Burridge 3 (Neely, B. Sweeney), 18:05.

Penalties-Creighton, Chi, 18:11; B. Sweeney, Bos, 18:11; Chelios, Chi, (minor-misconduct), 18:11. Shots on goal-Chicago 11-8-12-31. Boston 6-3-17-26.

Power-play conversions-Chicago 3-0, Boston 3-0.

Goaltenders-Chicago, Cloutier, Belfour (18:05, 3rd per). Boston, Lemelin. A-14,448.

Referee-Andy Van Hellemond.

NY Rangers	0	1	3	-4
Quebec	0	1	0	-1

First period-No Scoring

Penalties-Wolanin, Que, 13:11; Erikson, NYR, 17:01.

Second period-1, Quebec, Sakic 8 (Petit, Sundin), pp, 3:26; 2, NY Rangers, Mullen 5 (King, Miller), 7:18.

Penalties-King, NY Rangers, 1:42; Loiselle, Que, 18:37.

Third period-3, NY Rangers, Patrick 2 (Leetch), pp, :15; 4, NY Rangers, Erixon 1 (Mullen, Miller), 9:02; 5, NY Rangers, Janssens 3 (Hull, Moller), 16:50.

Penalties- None.

Shots on goal-NY Rangers 9-15-12-36. Quebec 8-7-8-23.

Power-play conversions-NY Rangers 2-1. Quebec 2-1.

Goaltenders-NY Rangers, Richter. Quebec, Tugnutt. A-13,470.

Referee-Ron Shick.

Washington	2	1	1	-4
Calgary	3	5	1	-9

First period-1, Calgary, MacInnis 8 (Nieuwendyk, Makarov), :54. 2, Washington, Tippett 1 (Johansson), 2:03. 3, Calgary, Makarov 4 (Roberts, Nieuwendyk), 4:59. 4, Washington, Tippett 2 (Bondra, Hunter), 16:03. 5, Calgary, Ranheim 6 (Fleury, Sabourin), 19:56.

Penalties- Langway, Was, 1:23; M.Hunter, Cgy, 1:57.

Second period-6, Calgary, MacLellan 4 (Sabourin, Otto), :40. 7, Calgary, Roberts 1 (Nieuwendyk, Makarov), 1:00. 8, Calgary, Nieuwendyk 6 (Suter, Nattress), 4:37. 9, Calgary, Nieuwendyk 7 (Sweeney, MacInnis), sh, 10:59. 10, Washington, Leach 1 (Kypreos, Tippett), 11:20. 11, Sabourin 1 (Ranheim, Gilmour), 17:33.

Penalties-Matteau, Cgy, major (high sticking)-game misconduct, 6:16; Bergland, Was, 19:17.

Third period-12, Calgary, Reichel 2 (Roberts), 2:51. 13, Washington, Bondra 2 (Ridley), 7:05.

Penalties-Sabourin, Cgy, 15:06.

Shots on goal-Washington 5-14-11-30. Calgary 8-13-9-30.

Power-play conversions-Washington 3-0. Calgary 2-0.

Goaltenders-Washington, Liut. Calgary, Guenette. A-20,088.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

Pittsburgh	1	3	1	-5
New Jersey	2	2	3	-7

First period-1, New Jersey, Muller 5 (Driver, Stastny), pp, 4:34. 2, Pittsburgh, Recchi 6 (Tanti, Mullen), 16:57. 3, New Jersey, Weinrich 1 (MacLean, Muller), 18:06.

Penalties-Coffey, Pit, 3:29; Coffey, Pit, 12:22; Sundstrom, NJ, 14:14; Fetisov NJ, 19:11.

Second period-4, Pittsburgh, Cullen 5 (Coffey, Stevens), pp, 3:32. 5, Pittsburgh, Mullen 7 (Zalapski, Coffey), 4:51. 6, New Jersey, Conacher 1 (Crowder, Boschman), 6:28. 7, Pittsburgh, Mullen 8 (Coffey, Pederson), 11:49. 8, New Jersey, Ciger 2 (Sundstrom, Morris), pp, 17:39.

Penalties- Weinrich, NJ, 2:36; Boschman, NJ, 2:47; Weinrich, NJ, 7:47; Cullen, Pit, 8:17; Kasatonov, NJ, 8:17; Coffey, Pit, 14:43; Bourque, Pit, 16:36; Zalapski, Pit, 19:44.

Third period-9, New Jersey, Boschman 3 (Fetisov, Kasatonov), 3:06. 10, New Jersey, MacLean 3 (Muller). 11, New Jersey, Ciger 3 (Morris, Shanahan), 6:33. 12, Pittsburgh, Bourque 1 (Coffey, Pederson), 19:24.

Penalties-Zalapski, Pit, 11:24; Morris, NJ, 11:24; MacLean, NJ, 12:56.

Shots on goal-Pittsburgh 10-14-7-31. New Jersey 15-16-9-40.

Power-play conversions-Pittsburgh 6-1. New Jersey 5-2.

Goalies-Pittsburgh, Barrasso, Young (3rd per). New Jersey, Burke. A-13,441.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

Buffalo	0	1	2	--3
Toronto	1	0	0	--1

First period-1, Toronto, Marois 3 (Gill, Damphousse), 7:58.

Penalties- Franceschetti, Tor, 0:10; Turgeon, Buf, 3:23; Hartman, Buf, major

(fighting) 12:53; Gill, Tor, major (fighting) 12:53; Ramage, Tor, 17:31.

Second period-2, Buffalo, Bodger 1, (Andreychuk, Turgeon), 16:28.

Penalties- Turgeon, Buf, 0:56; Iafrate, Tor, 7:24; Krupp, Buf, 11:43; Kennedy, Buf, 12:20.

Third period-2, Buffalo, Turgeon 5 (Hawerchuk, Puppa), pp, 1:37, 3. Buffalo, Hawerchuk 2 (Hogue, Mogilny), 12:41.

Penalties-Osborne, Tor, 1:05.

Shots on goal-Buffalo 12-10-7-29. Toronto 9- 15-11-35.

Power-play conversions-Buffalo 4-1. Toronto 4-0. A-16,382.

Goaltenders-Buffalo, Puppa. Toronto, Ing.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Montreal	0	0	0--0
St. Louis	1	0	2--3

First period-1, St. Louis, Featherstone 1 (Lowry, Oates), 2:18.

Penalties-Oates, StL, 14:12.

Second period-None.

Penalties-Oates, StL, 7:57; Featherstone, StL, 16:00.

Third period-2, St. Louis, Hull 14 (Oates, G. Cavallini), pp, 6:40. 3, St. Louis, Ronning 4 (Lowery, Momesso), 12:32.

Penalties- Corson, Mtl, 4:48.

Shots on goal-Montreal 4-13-10-27. St. Louis 7- 10-11-28.

Power-play conversions-Montreal 3-0. St. Louis 1-1.

Goaltenders-Montreal, Roy. St. Louis, Riendeau. A-17,323.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

Philadelphia	2	0	0-2
NY Islanders	2	2	1-5

First period-1, Philadelphia, Samuelsson 2 (Kushner, Berube), 2:50. 2,

Philadelphia, Craven 2 (Acton, Howe), pp, 11:56. 3, NY Islanders, LaFontaine 3 (Volek, Crossman), pp, 15:32. 4, NY Islanders, Berg 1 (McDonough), 19:30.

Penalties-Hostak, Phi, 4:25; Volek, NYI, 9:57; Kushner, Phi, 12:49; Carkner, Phi, 17:02; Kushner, Phi, 17:02; Vukota, NYI, 17:02; Baumgartner, NYI, misconduct 17:02; Samuelsson, Phi, 19:01; LaFontaine, NYI, 19:21.

Second period-5, NY Islanders, LaFontaine 4 (Volek, Norton), pp, 7:36. 6, NY Islanders, LaFontaine 5 (Volek, Crossman), pp, 10:42.

Penalties-Baron, Phi, 7:22; Baumgartner, NYI, 7:22; Latal, Phi, 8:46; Carkner, Phi, 9:18; Samuelsson, Phi, 11:37; Flatley, NYI, 11:37, Berg, NYI, 12:11; R.Sutter, Phi, 18:45; Tocchet, Phi, 19:48; Flatley, NYI, 19:48.

Third period-7, NY Islanders, Wood 3 (Norton, LaFontaine), pp, 5:42.

Penalties-Howe, Phi, 3:58; Chyzowski, NYI, 6:09, Volek, NYI, 15:31, Berg 16:42.

Shots on goal-Philadelphia 7-4-15-26. NY Islanders 15-10-4-29.

Power-play conversions-Philadelphia 7-1. NY Islanders 9-4.

Goaltenders-Philadelphia, Hextall, Wregget (8:46, 2nd per). NY Islanders, Maneluk. A-11,789.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

Detroit	0	0	2	0--2
Minnesota	1	1	0	0--2

First Period-1, Minnesota, Craig 4 (Giles) 14:51.

Penalties-Chiasson, Det, 7:39; Broten, Min, 18:16.

Second Period-2, Minnesota, Smith 3 (Dahlen, Bellows) 6:40.

Penalties-Norwood, Det, 3:20; Churla, Min, major (fighting), 6:27; Probert, Det, major (fighting) 6:27; Kocur, Det, 8:40; McCrimmon, Det, 10:03; Cheveldae Det, (served by Barr) 12:05; Broten, Min, 15:13; Dahlen, Min, 19:09; Churla, Min, 19:09; Probert, Det, 19:09; Gavin, Min, 20:00; Casey, Min, (served by Taglianetti) 20:00; Kocur, Det, 20:00.

Third Period-3, Detroit, Yzerman 8 (Gallant, Chaisson), pp, 0:58. 4, Detroit, Carson 7 (Burr, Chaisson), 12:50.

Penalties- None.

Overtime-No scoring.

Penalties-None.

Shots on Goal-Detroit 3-7-12-2-24. Minnesota 11-10-6-2-29.

Power-play conversions-Detroit 4-1. Minnesota 5-0.

Goalies-Detroit, Cheveldae. Minnesota, Casey. A-6,164.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

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#90301u0097 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 28) UPI - President Bush says he's reluctant to sign the budget passed by Congress. But Bush says he will sign the deficit-cutting measure. The president says the bill for the first time makes significant and long- term reductions in federal spending. Congress Saturday gave final approval to the budget that will reduce the deficit by 490-BILLION dollars over five years. The reduction will come through tax increases and cuts in benefits.

The budget increases the income taxes of the wealthy... increases taxes on gasoline, tobacco, liquor, wine and beer... and hits the elderly with higher premiums and deductibles for Medicare. The legislation also slashes benefit programs, ranging from farm subsidies to veterans programs.

Americans across the country flocked to anti-tax rallies Saturday following congressional approval of the budget plan. Many protesters wielded brooms to symbolize their desire to sweep out of office any lawmaker who voted for the plan. The demostrations were organized by the Libertarian Party and other anti-tax groups.

Hundreds of weary members of Congress are still trying to finish work and adjourn the session. In addition to giving final approval to a budget... Congress Saturday passed the Clean Air Act, a comprehensive housing assistance measure and an immigration reform bill. The immigration bill is expected to increase the total number of legal immigrants from 530-thousand a year to around 700-thousand... including more skilled workers from Europe.

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#90301u0098 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 28) UPI - Kuwait's ambassador in Washington is confirming reports that seven- thousand citizens in his country have been killed since Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2nd. He also says the government-in-exile is NOT sure what has happened to 25-thousand other Kuwaitis. He says some have been executed. The exiled oil minister of Kuwait says the emirate is losing 60-Million dollars a day as a result of lost oil exports.

The ousted prime minister of Pakistan, Benazir Bhutto, appears headed toward her second election loss in one week. Bhutto's party was defeated in one province and is trailing its rivals in three others in Saturday's provincial government elections. Bhutto's Pakistan's People Party suffered a crushing defeat in National Assembly elections earlier this week.

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(OCT. 28) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EDT)

Football

Buffalo at New England, 1 p.m.
Detroit at New Orleans, 1 p.m..
Miami at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Minnesota vs. Green Bay at Milwaukee, 1 p.m.
NY Jets at Houston, 1 p.m.
Philadelphia at Dallas, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at San Francisco, 4 p.m.
Chicago at Phoenix, 4 p.m.
Tampa Bay at San Diego, 4 p.m.
Washington at NY Giants, 4 p.m.
Cincinnati at Atlanta, 8 p.m.

Golf

Houston - $2.5 million PGA Nabisco Championship
Ibaragi, Japan - $350,000 LPGA Michirei International
Sacramento, Calif. - Rancho Murieta Senior Gold Rush

Hockey

Hartford at Buffalo, 7:05 p.m.
NY Islanders at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Washington at Edmonton, 8:05 p.m.
Los Angeles at Winnipeg, 8:05 p.m.
Montreal at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.

Tennis

Brighton, England - $350,000 Midland Bank Championships
Dallas - $350,000 Virginia Slims of Dallas
Stockholm, Sweden - $1.1 million Stockholm Open

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SOUTHPORT, Australia (OCT. 28) UPI - A swimmer was recovering in Southport

District Hospital Sunday after being savaged by a shark in a waterway near his home on Queensland state's Gold Coast Saturday, police said.

Craig Coleman, 27, of Mermaid Waters, had more than 200 stitches inserted in his legs, doctors said.

Coleman said he was swimming in a salt water canal near his home on a reclaimed residential area at 8.20 p.m. Saturday when he was attacked.

''I suddenly felt it bite me and I thought 'I've got to get out of here' and I started swimming for my life,'' he said from his hospital bed Sunday.

''There was heaps of blood in about five seconds.''

He said he managed to stagger to a nearby house where a neighbor called an ambulance.

Doctors said Coleman would not be able to walk again for some weeks, but was thankful for his life.

It was the second attack in the same canal, which outlets to the sea nearby, in 11 months.

Last November, a 10 year-old boy had 100 stitches inserted in his leg after being bitten. A bait subsequently caught a 6.5-foot bronze whaler shark.

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ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (OCT. 28) UPI - Ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's party suffered reverses in elections for all four of Pakistan's provincial assemblies, partial results showed Sunday.

Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party was defeated in two provinces in Saturday's violence-marred polls, was trailing its rivals in a third and had lost a large number of seats in its traditional stronghold of Sind.

The results reflected the outcome of Wednesday's National Assembly elections, in which the PPP suffered a crushing defeat to the Islamic Democratic Alliance an army-backed coalition of anti-Bhutto parties.

In the provincial elections, the IDA gained a massive majority in northeastern Punjab, Pakistan largest Province, winning 203 of the 226 seats announced in the 240-seat Assembly.

In the Northwest Frontier Province, the PPP was also soundly defeated. With 69 of the 80 seats announced, the IDA and its ally had taken 53, while the PPP had six and independents 10.

The PPP had a coalition government in the NWFP until Bhutto's federal administration was dismissed last August.

With 36 seats annnounced in western Baluchistan's 40-member assembly, the IDA and an ally had 15, the PPP two and other parties 19.

The PPP had a realistic chance of forming of a majority only in Sind, where it had secured 43 of the 90 seats announced in the 100-member assembly.

The Mohajir Qaumi Movement, an IDA ally which represents Mohajir migrants from India, had won 27 races, the IDA five and independents 15. However, many of the independents were believed likely to vote with the IDA.

The PPP hopes to win in Sind, where it achieved a huge majority in the last provincial elections in November 1988 and from where it could challenge the authority of the Islamabad government.

About 48 million of Pakistan's 110 million people were eligible to vote in Saturday's provincial elections. Reports from around the country indicated a very low turnout.

Bhutto has charged Wednesday's IDA victory was achieved as a result of ''gross rigging,'' but agreed to take part in the provincial elections. However, international observer teams have said they had no evidence to substantiate Bhutto's charges of massive fraud.

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan fired Bhutto's 20-month-old government on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to control law and order. He dissolved the National Assembly and appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi to head an interim government until the elections.

The president also set up Special Disqualification Courts to try Bhutto, the 37-year-old daughter of hanged prime minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, and members of her administration on corruption charges. If found guilty they could be barred from politics for seven years.

Tight security was again in force for Saturday's vote, with tens of thousands of troops patrolling the streets throughout the country. Police and the Election Commission said at least 33 people were killed and 92 wounded in clashes throughout the country between supporters of rival parties.

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#90301u0200 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

OLONGAPO, Philippines (OCT. 28) UPI - A Philippine fishing boat with 30 people on board was reported missing Sunday in the South China Sea, the Coast Guard said.

Another fishing boat was reported to have capsized in the China sea but its 30 crewmen were spotted by a U.S. Navy helicopter, which dropped an inflatable raft, food and water to them.

Philippine Coast Guard officials, who were notified of the sighting by the helicopter, have sent a rescue ship to the area, 200 miles west of the Philippines.

The helicopter found the 90-foot boat after the Coast Guard had requested for assistance. The other boat was still missing and relatives said it was carrying 30 people.

The Coast Guard said there were no details on why the boats capsized.

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#90301u0201 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (OCT. 28) UPI - The Zulu Inkatha Freedom Party has rejected an invitation from Archbishop Desmond Tutu to join its arch rival the African National Congress in a black leaders' summit on factional violence.

Inkatha decided at a central committee meeting Saturday in it's Natal province headquarters town of Ulundi to turn down the invitation and ''to question (Tutu's) impartiality when he makes suggestions which accept and give ecclesiastical endorsement'' to policies of the multi- tribal ANC.

Tutu, the 1984 Nobel peace laureate, has long supported ANC calls for a constituent assembly to oversee an end to white minority rule and for continued world sanctions against South Africa - policies Inkatha rejects as counter-productive to the black cause.

Tutu called on Oct. 17 for an urgent summit of black political leaders, to include an unprecedented meeting of ANC leader Nelson Mandela and Inkatha President Mangosuthu Buthelezi, and he warned those who refuse to accept face branding as ''enemies of liberation.''

But the ANC, in a conciliatory gesture to Inkatha, said on Oct. 22 it had dropped its objections to a direct meeting between the two men and that such talks would soon take place.

Inkatha said in its statement of resolutions it now invited Tutu to state publicly whether he thought Buthelezi was an enemy of liberation in declining to join the summit.

In calling for the summit on violence, Tutu was apparently trying to be the first to break the logjam and bring the ANC and Inkatha leaders to discuss the fighting between their followers which has killed thousands of people in Natal

and Transvaal provinces.

The conflict flared in 1987 in Natal, where it has since killed up to 4,000 people. Battles spread to Transvaal townships around Johannesburg in August and in six weeks killed almost 800 people.

The ANC accused Buthelezi of exporting the strife to consolidate his position among black leaders and undercut the more popular ANC ahead of formal power-sharing talks with Pretoria.

ANC officials also consistently blamed the Natal violence on Inkatha.

But Buthelezi rejected the charges, noting he has been calling for direct talks with Mandela ever since the ANC leader was released from 27 years imprisonment in February.

Neither the ANC nor Inkatha has announced when their leaders will meet, but Buthelezi said on hearing of the ANC concession on a direct meeting he would be happy to arrange a time and venue.

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#90301u0203 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 28) UPI - Congress adjourned this morning after approving the 490-BILLION- dollar package of measures to trim the deficit. On the last day, Congress also passed a clean air bill and revamped the immigration law.

A bus carrying workers replacing strikers at the New York Daily News was attacked yesterday in Brooklyn. Police say one person fired shots and another broke windows with a baseball bat.

A major kerosene spill in the Hudson River will take several days to clean up. A Coast Guard spokesman says most of it was contained yesterday. The kerosene spilled from a barge Friday north of the town of New Hamburg, New York.

A stark memorial to the victims of Soviet Gulag labor camps will be put up Tuesday near headquarters of the K-G-B secret police in Moscow. The monument is a rock moved from one labor camp.

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#90301u0206 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 28) UPI - A new poll released Sunday showed President George Bush's approval rating among the American people was slipping and a top U.S. Commander in the Persian Gulf said he would like to spare his troops the horrors of a desert war.

The developments followed reports the United States would send Secretary of

State James Baker to Saudi Arabia soon to discuss the possibility of a military strike to force Iraqi troops from occupied Kuwait.

Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, commander of the more than 200,000 U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, said in an interview published Sunday he wants to avoid a military confrontation with Iraq.

The 56-year-old West Point graduate, whose nickname is ''Stormin' Norman,'' said he hopes the massive military deployment and economic sanctions will pressure Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2.

''Nothing would make me happier than to have presided over this entire buildup to have deployed our forces, to have been ready to fight and then have (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein withdraw from Kuwait, and have an international settlement and restore peace and stability in threa, and take every single American home, and not have lost one single American in battle,'' Schwarzkopf told the Atlanta Journal and Constitution.

The general, a veteran of the Vietnam war, indicated a desert confrontation with Iraqi troops would be a lethal fight involving American casualties.

''We have developed more sophisticated ways to destroy things,'' he said. ''It will certainly be a much more lethal battlefield. But to the fundamental soldier on the ground, it is still going to be a question of life and death.''

The public opinion poll, published in Newsweek magazine, said only 48 percent of Americans approved of the way Bush was handling his job. It was the lowest approval rating yet for Bush, who has been one of the most popular U.S. presidents in modern history.

Sixty-four percent of the 753 American adults polled Thursday and Friday by the Gallup Organization said they believed Bush was losing his political influence.

The United Nations delayed until Monday a vote on a proposal holding Iraq liable for invasion damages and calling for the freedom of all hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait as human shields against Western attack.

The U.N. Security Council decided at a meeting late Saturday to postpone the vote amid reports the Soviet Union, which called for the delay, was seeking a peaceful solution to the standoff.

Top Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov was in Baghdad Sunday where he was expected to hold his second meeting in a month with Saddam. Primakov, who has met dozens of world leaders in the past few weeks, has said repeatedly be believes a settlement can be negotiated, while at the same time reiterating that Moscow demanded a complete, unconditional withdrawal from the oil-rich emirate.

Some diplomats at the United Nations warned that a wrong move by the international organization could tip the 3-month-old crisis into a war.

Also late Saturday, Congress approved a complicated $15 billion foreign aid bill that could lead to the abolishment of Egypt's $7.1 billion military debt.

The bill authorizes the Bush administration to consult arms manufacturers about the proposal and to clarify to Congress why it is in the U.S. interest to write off the debt.

Egypt has been a strong backer of U.S. policy in the gulf and has sent Arab troops to serve with the U.S.-led multinational force.

In Cairo Saturday, police arrested more than 10 Moslem fundamentalists in the assassination of a high-ranking government official whose death was originally blamed on pro-Iraqi terrorists.

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#90301u0207 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (OCT. 28) UPI - A powerful explosion on a Norwegian freighter off the Namibian coast killed two crew members and swept three others overboard, including the captain and second officer, a South African search and rescue official said Sunday.

The three, washed into the icy Atlantic after the blast around midnight Friday were presumed dead, the official of Cape Town's Silvermine naval search station said.

The explosion rocked the coal-carrier Berge Charlotte some 810 nautical miles west of Namibia's port of Walvis Bay and the ship contacted Silvermine, which serves the southern African coastline, 12 hours later, the official said.

But he noted the South African Air Force had no aircraft with the range to reach the stricken vessel from its air-rescue base in Pretoria without refueling and a rescue aircraft would not have arrived over the spot before dawn Sunday.

Authorities decided against sending an aircraft as ''the crew told us that the three who went overboard were not wearing protective clothing. In those waters we are presuming they died and a search would have been fruitless,'' he said.

Silvermine alerted ships in the area to look out for the three but the heading of the Berge Charlotte was not known.

The official would not speculate on the cause of the explosion.

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#90301u0209 10/28/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (OCT. 28) UPI - Israel reopened transit Sunday to the West Bank and Gaza Strip, allowing tens of thousands of Palestinian workers to return to their jobs in Israel after a four-day closure.

Defense Minister Moshe Arens ordered stricter checks on Arab workers to prevent those who represented a security or criminal risk from entering Israel.

Lt. Gen. Dan Shomron, the chief of staff, said there were no plans for issuing magnetic identification cards to West Bank Arabs. Gazan workers received the cards last year. Shomron said employers would be asked to make sure their workers had proper identification papers.

More than 110,000 Palestinians work in Israel, primarily in construction, agriculture and menial service positions. Palestinian sources reported that some Arab workers who returned to work were informed that they had been dismissed.

With the lifting of the closure order, thousands of workers streamed into Israel and work was resumed at construction sites. Authorities closed the territories to halt a wave of attacks on Jews by Arabs and anti-Arab resprisals.

The abrupt closure caused immediate turmoil in the Israeli economy where Palestinians make up about 20 percent of the industrial workforce. Many employers said they would hire newly arrived Russian Jewish immigrants to replace the Arabs but others said no Jews wanted menial, low-paying jobs, such as dishwashers in restaurants.

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#90301u0210 10/28/1990 ~United Press International
ROME (OCT. 28) UPI - Ugo Tognazzi, the popular Italian movie actor, died in a Rome clinic late Saturday after a cerebral hemorrhage, doctors said. He was 68.

Tognazzi, who had been ill for some time, was hospitalized Thursday after a stroke. Doctors said that he stopped breathing at 11:15 p.m. Saturday.

Hailed as the king of Italian comics, Tognazzi was born in Cremona in Northern Italy on March 23, 1922. One of the much-loved post-war generation of Italian comics, Tognazzi worked with some of the best known Italian movie directors of his day, including Dino Risi and Marco Ferreri.

Among his most acclaimed movies were two directed by Marco Ferreri: the 1963 film ''L'Ape Regina'' (The Queen Bee) and ''La Grande Bouffe'' (The Great Gorging) in 1973. He also starred in ''I Mostri'' (The Monsters) directed by

Dino Risi in 1963.

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#90301u0217 10/28/1990 ~United Press International
MANILA, Philippines (OCT. 28) UPI - President Corazon Aquino lashed out at communist rebels Sunday for the violence that marred a general strike for higher wages last week but said her officials were negotiating a compromsise with labor leaders.

In her taped weekly radio talk show, Aquino said the bombing of facilities and the burning of buses by the rebels showed a ''serious diminution'' in their ''strength and capabilities'' because they had to coerce Filipinos to support their mass action.

''I condemn the violent manner with which the strike was carried out, '' Aquino said.

''Again, there is no doubt that elements determined to overthrow our constitutional government made use of the right guaranteed and protected by the same Constitution to advance their cause.''

She said property damage was more than $971,000. At least 10 people were killed in the strike that began Wednesday but fizzled out later in the week. The military said 24 vehicles, mostly buses, were torched.

Aquino said some labor leaders who participated in the strike were willing to ''favorably consider'' a compromise to their demand for a $1.48 increase on top of the minimum daily wage of $3.46.

The workers, who said prices went up after the government raised oil prices because of the Persian Gulf crisis, later reduced their demand to $.97. They suspended the strike Friday pending further negotiations.

Aquino said Labor Secretary Ruben Torres ''continues to discuss this matter with our top labor leaders ... in the hope that an agreement acceptable to all could be reached.''

''The strike would have made its point without causing so much pain and agony on the part of ordinary commuters and workers,'' said Aquino, who added that she has ordered the prosecution of those involved in the violence.

It was the first time the 19,000-member New People's Army, which has been fighting the government for 21 years, has openly supported a strike called by leftwing trade unions.

Suspected communist guerrillas, meanwhile, exploded a grenade at a private radio station in the central island of Samar Sunday, shattering glass windows

but causing no injuries, officials said. Two men were seen escaping after the grenade attack on radio station DYSM, they said.

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#90301u0219 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

ROME (OCT. 28) UPI - European Community leaders agreed Sunday not to send representatives of individual countries to Iraq to negotiate for release of their hostages.

The 12 EC leaders, on the final day of a two-day summit, said they ''reaffirm their total solidarity in achieving the freedom of all foreign citizens trapped in Iraq and Kuwait.''

The heads of state, in a final summit communique, ''affirm their determination not to send representatives of their governments in any capacity to negotiate with Iraq the release of foreign hostages and to discourage others from doing so.''

The summit in the Italian Senate library was the first meeting of EC leaders since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

The heads of state said they would ''scrupulously adhere to the United Nations embargo against Iraq and to the other measures decided by the (U.N.) Security Council'' and are ''prepared to consider additional steps consistent with the U.N. Charter.''

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher stressed the willingness to take other measures and said ''the unity of the 12 nations on this matter is a very powerful signal to Iraq.''

The summit communique also called for an overall solution to problems in the Middle East, expressing ''deep dismay at the continuing violence in Lebanon'' and this month's killing of 20 Palestinian protesters by Israeli soldiers in Jerusalem.

Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, who holds the rotating EC presidency, said he received a letter Saturday from Palestinian Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat, ''calling our attention to the matter of the Palestinians.''

The final communique called for ''protecting the rights of the Palestinian people'' and called ''once more on Israel to meet its obligations'' to protect civilians under the Geneva Convention.

''The tragic events that have occurred in Jerusalem show once more that the status quo in the Occupied Territories is unsustainable,'' the EC leaders said.

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#90301u0272 10/28/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 28) UPI - The 101st Congress is history... unless the Persian Gulf situation heats up. Congress adjourned this morning. But the legislators approved a resolution allowing leaders to call them back if the situation warrants.

Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry campaigned yesterday for a seat on the City Council. He was sentenced to six months in prison the day before for a drug conviction.

Egyptian sources say police have killed two Moslem fundamentalists believed responsible for the assassination of the speaker of parliament. At least six others were arrested.

Demonstrators across Bangladesh held anti-government rallies on roads and railroad tracks yesterday. Transporation was stopped for eight hours. One railway bridge was burned and stretches of track were uprooted.

A swimmer survived a savage attack by a shark yesterday in a waterway on the Gold Coast of Queensland state in Australia. He needed 200 stitches in his legs.

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#90301u0281 10/28/1990 ~United Press International
ROME (OCT. 28) UPI - European Community leaders, with only Britain's prime minister dissenting, agreed Sunday to begin the next stage toward a single European currency in 1994 with an eye to completion by the end of the decade.

The next phase of EC monetary union will include creation of a central bank, the ''Eurofed,'' and EC officials said a common currency could be achieved by the year 2000 despite the reservations of Britain's Margaret Thatcher.

Economists say a common currency will save citizens of the 12-nation EC up to $26 billion a year in exchange costs.

''With the achievement of the final phase of economic and monetary union, exchange rates will be irrevocably fixed,'' EC leaders said in the final communique of a two-day summit at the Italian Senate library.

''The European Community will have a currency of its own - a strong and stable European Currency Unit - which will be an expression of its identity and unity '' the communique said.

EC finance ministers will report to heads of state within three years after the next stage of monetary union begins Jan. 1, 1994, and passage to the final

stage ''will occur within a reasonable time.''

Asked if a single currency will be a reality by the end of the decade, the powerful president of the EC executive agency, Jacques Delors, said, ''I am more ambitious than that. As history accelerates, we have to accelerate along with it.''

The final communique listed Thatcher's objections separately.

''We will not have a single currency imposed on us,'' she told a news conference. ''There is no stronger expression of a nation's sovereignty than its own currency.''

Instead of a single currency, Thatcher has proposed a parallel 13th currency, backed by a new European Monetary Fund, that would compete alongside the 12 national currencies.

Other EC leaders downplayed Thatcher's objections, saying they had heard her ''sovereignty'' arguments before.

''As usual, eventually she will arrive,'' French President Francois Mitterrand said of the British prime minister.

''We consider the road we have taken is the right road, and we hope that at some stage this will be recognized,'' said Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, who holds the rotating EC presidency.

''We will work together with the British so that the next summit may end in success,'' added German Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

EC leaders hold their next summit on Dec. 13 in Rome.

The next day, twin EC constitutional conventions, on monetary union and political union, begin in Rome to chart the path toward greater integration, which will require amendments to the Community's founding treaty.

The EC leaders, with Thatcher again dissenting, called for closer political adhesion including ''a common foreign and security policy.''

The EC, which currently lacks a security dimension, has been criticized for its scattershot response to the Gulf crisis. Only Britain and France have sent ground troops to the region.

Thatcher said NATO should continue to anchor European security, and she termed current ideas on EC political union a ''ragbag of proposals.''

Besides monetary and political union, the EC leaders discussed the Gulf crisis world trade talks and financial aid to Eastern Europe.

The heads of state agreed not to send representatives of their governments to Iraq to negotiate the release of their hostages, and reaffirmed their ''total solidarity'' in winning the release of all foreign nationals from Iraq and Kuwait.

The summit communique urged EC governments to quickly agree on a negotiating position in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. They have been hopelessly divided for weeks over how deeply to slash farm subsidies. U.S. President George Bush telephoned Andreotti on Saturday to request speedy progress in the GATT talks, which end in just six weeks in Brussels.

EC leaders said they hoped to approve an aid package for the Soviet Union at the December summit, but ''will take whatever decisions are required'' before that date in the event of a winter food crisis or other emergency.

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#90301u0317 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 28) UPI - Members of Congress are heading home to campaign or rest, but they made plans for a special session if the Persian Gulf situation requires it. Congress adjourned this morning. It finally passed a budget yesterday along with other major bills. The adjournment resolution allows congressional leaders to call the lawmakers back to Washington if events warrant. Usually only the president can recall Congress. Some members believed President Bush might order military action without consulting Congress.

Before adjourning, Congress approved changes in the immigration law to encourage more skilled workers from Europe. Since 1965, most legal immigrants have come from Asia and Latin America. Legal immigration under the new law is expected to increase from 530-thousand to 700- thousand. The new bill puts a ceiling on immigration to reunite family members.

Because of reports about diplomatic activity in the Persian Gulf crisis, the U-N Security Council will wait to consider new measures against Iraq. It met yesterday but at the Soviet Union's request recessed until tomorrow. Diplomats said a wrong move could worsen the crisis. Diplomats say Iraqi President Saddam Hussein sent French President Francois Mitterrand a message Friday and Mitterrand will discuss it today with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. A Soviet envoy also is in the Iraqi capital, Baghdad.

A group called the Memorial Society will set up a monument of natural stone Tuesday near the K-G-B's headquarters in Moscow. The monument is a boulder brought from the Solovetsky Islands, where a monastery became the Soviet Union's first labor camp after the 1917 revolution. Millions of people were imprisoned in the Gulag camps during the Lenin, Stalin and Brezhnev regimes. Striking workers kept other workers away from the French entrances of the English Channel tunnel yesterday. Some 100 pickets demanding higher pay

blocked the way. Only about 40 percent of the work force got through. The tunnel is being dug from two directions. In the next few days, workers tunneling from France are expected to meet up with workers tunneling from England.

One of President Franklin Roosevelt's sons, Elliot Roosevelt, died yesterday at age 80. He died in Scottsdale, Arizona. Elliot Roosevelt was a decorated flier in World War Two and wrote a book about his parents. James Roosevelt, a former member of Congress from California, is the only one of Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt's five children now living.

This is a 25-hour day. At 2 a-m clocks should have been changed back to 1 a-m as most of the United States switched from daylight saving to standard time. In April they will be set ahead again. The memory device is- ''Spring forward... fall back.'' If you don't have plans for that extra hour, the International Association of Fire Chiefs suggests this is the time to replace the batteries in smoke detectors.

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#90301u0328 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 28) UPI - In a bizarre new twist on game shows, divorced couples will soon be facing off on syndicated television for fun and prizes.

First there was ''The Dating Game.'' Then there was ''The Newlywed Game.'' The ''Divorce Game'' is apparently the next logical step.

The one-time spouses will square off before TV cameras during segments of the syndicated game show ''Tic Tac Dough'' set to air Nov. 19-23.

Thirteen couples who once battled in court will again strive to outsmart and outmaneuver each other. This time, they'll be vying for $2, 500 in prize money and the approval of a studio audience that, presumably, will include their children, their former in-laws and even their current spouses.

Only in America, you say?

Dan Enright of Barry & Enright Productions, the executive producer of the show insists that it is not quite as outlandish as it may seem at first blush.

Television viewers, he said, ''will be intrigued by the prospect of watching two former adversaries meet again in another field of combat.''

Enright and his colleague, Chris Sohl, the shows' producer, came up with the idea during a brainstorming session.

''We figured people would tell us, 'You're out of your mind,''' Enright recalled.

To test the waters, the two placed a classified ad in the Oct. 21 Los Angeles Times. It read: ''Wanted Divorced Couples (On Speaking Terms) For New TV Show, Potential Big $$$.''

''By speaking terms,'' Enright said, ''we meant something other than 'Drop dead.'''

By noon the next day, 30 divorced people had responded, saying either that their ex-mates would cooperate or could probably be talked into it.

Sohl believes the show will demonstrate that a failed marriage isn't so terrible.

''One out of two marriages end in divorce within the first five years. In more and more cases, there's a certain civility to divorce. It's almost like two partners who break up a business but still remain friends,'' he said.

Most of the potential contestants now being interviewed for the shows are young or middle-aged. The producers said they are especially hoping that an elderly divorced couple will turn up.

''I'd like to find a couple around 75 or 80 years of age,'' Enright said. ''That would be touching or poignant. Maybe a couple with seven children. It would be great to have the seven children in the studio.''

Like any other contestants, the former spouses are expected to be good sports while competing to answer trivia questions correctly and line up their Xs or Os in the game board.

But the producers said they wouldn't be surprised - or terribly disappointed - if old hostilities are rekindled and old battles re- enacted.

''That would be rather interesting,'' Enright said. ''We certainly wouldn't encourage it - but it would add another dimension to the show.''

And isn't there always a chance that spectating family members, like children or current spouses, will object to what could become a painful exercise in emotional exhibitionism?

''It would depend,'' Enright said, ''on how much they need the $2, 500.''

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#90301u0329 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

ORANGE, CA (OCT. 28) UPI - A Mrs. Fields Cookies store employee has been arrested on suspicion of food tampering after metal staples were found in a cookie purchased at an Orange County mall, police said Sunday.

No one was injured in the incident, which the company said was the first in its 12-year history.

The suspect, Michael Steven Connors, 20, was arrested Saturday at his Anaheim home after a Mrs. Fields company policy helped police determine that the adulterated cookie was baked between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. Friday, when he was working in a baking position.

Debbi Fields, president of chief executive officer of the Utah-based firm, said Connors was fired. Police had no motive, calling Connors a ''disgruntled employee.'' A company statment said cash was also found missing from the store register.

Police were called about 6 p.m. Friday after a customer returned a cookie because it contained several metal staples.

''A disgruntled employee place some foreign objects in the cookie dough and other baked goods,'' Orange Police Lt. Timm Brown said.

Company officials immediately closed the store and surrendered 48 cookies and three trays of brownies to investigators assigned to the case. A company policy that requires employees to rotate from sales to baking positions at intervals helped them track down Connors.

Connors was booked on suspicion of a felony charge of putting harmful matter into food and also on $2,700 in outstanding traffic warrants.

In a prepared statement, Debbi Fields said she was ''shocked and concerned'' about the incident and added that, although the company believes the incident was an isolated one, anyone who bought cookies at the Mall of Orange store on Friday would be eligible for a refund.

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#90301u0347 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 28) UPI - Congress has adjourned after passing the 490-BILLION-dollar package to reduce the federal deficit. The adjournment resolution allows congressional leaders to call a special session if the Persian Gulf situation gets worse.

Striking workers blocked the French entrances to the English Channel tunnel yesterday. Most workers were kept away from their jobs. The tunnel still is being built. The workers want more pay.

Warsaw Pact members have agreed on how to divide tank and artillery cuts among them to permit a treaty with NATO nations. The Soviet news agency Tass says the agreement means there no longer is any need for the Warsaw Pact.

The U-N Security Council will wait until tomorrow to consider new measures against Iraq. The council met yesterday, but it delayed action because of reports diplomatic moves are under way.

Daylight saving time ended this morning. Clocks should have been turned back one hour. Fire departments across the nation suggest that today is a good time to replace batteries in smoke detectors.

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#90301u0362 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

ROME (OCT. 28) UPI - The 12-nation European Community remained divided on major trade issues Sunday as British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher accused France and Germany of practicing protectionism for their farmers.

''It's quite clear there are some members who quite openly take the view that the Community is protectionist and will quite openly remain protectionist,'' Thatcher said at the end of a two-day summit of EC leaders.

The EC has been unable to agree on how to cut farm subsidies in the 105-nation talks of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, which are due to end in just six weeks in Brussels.

At a 16-hour meeting of EC agriculture and trade ministers in Luxembourg on Friday, France and Germany again rejected a proposal by the EC Executive Commission to cut farm supports by 30 percent in the decade ending in 1996.

The United States has proposed slashing agriculture subsidies by more than 75 percent by the end of the decade.

''It is urgent'' that the EC quickly reach agreement, said Thatcher, who supports the EC Commission plan. ''We have been trying to formulate the Community's negotiating position since September 1986,'' when the trade talks began in Uruguay.

French President Francois Mitterrand played down Thatcher's criticism but acknowledged that ''France does not accept the proposal of either the United States or the Commission.''

Another meeting of EC ministers was scheduled for Tuesday in Luxembourg, but there were indications the meeting could be postponed until later in the week.

''We will spare no effort. Our interest is that the discussion be concluded soon,'' said Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, who holds the rotating EC presidency.

President Bush wrote to Andreotti on Friday and telephoned him on Saturday,

urging a quick GATT agreement.

The United States says the GATT talks will collapse unless substantial reductions in farm supports are achieved.

Developing countries that produce food cheaply seek deep reductions in market-distorting export subsidies, while industrialized countries seek new GATT rules on services, investment and intellectual property.

GATT currently covers only merchandise trade, and not agriculture or the other areas.

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#90301u0365 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 28) UPI - These are the major legislative accomplishments of the 101st Congress, which completed its second session early Sunday.

- Budget: The federal deficit will be cut by $500 billion over five years, with a first-year reduction of $40 billion.

- Taxes: A new tax rate of 31 percent for the wealthiest taxpayers. New taxes on gasoline, tobacco, liquor, beer, wines and luxury items such as expensive cars, jewelry, furs and yachts.

- Clean Air: The first major overhaul of clean air laws in a decade, the bill will cut acid rain, auto emissions, urban smog and toxic air pollution from factories.

- Housing: A two-year, $38.5 billion new program that gives state and local government greater say, adds 360,000 new units, strives for home ownership and shores up federal home insurance program by charging buyers more.

- Military: Cuts $20 billion in military spending, biggest one-year reduction since Vietnam war, slashes troop strength, imperils new systems such as ''Star Wars'' defense system and B-2 Stealth bomber. - Medicare: An increase in monthly premiums from $28.60 to $46.20 over five years, an increase in the deductible from $75 to $100 in 1991 and thereafter. Sharp cuts in reimbursements for doctors, hospitals.

- Farm: Under budget pressure, the farm program was rewritten to reduce the amount of crop land eligible for subsidies. In return, farmers get more freedom to look for profit-making crops. Wetlands and water quality safeguards were expanded.

- Minimum Wage: After nearly 10 years of stalemate, minimum wage was raised to $4.25 from $3.35 an hour over two years with a lower ''training wage'' for teenagers.

- Souter: The Senate confirmed David Souter of New Hampshire as the 105th Justice of the Supreme Court.

- Immigration: Increases legal immigration from about 490,000 to 700, 000 in first three years and then sets a permanent annual quota of 675, 000. The new policy gives preference to relatives.

- Child Care: Wrapped into the budget agreement was legislation to provide block grants to states to expand child care programs and a package of tax credits to help working parents afford child care.

- Age discrimination: Overturned Supreme Court rulings that allowed age discrimination in employee benefits.

- Childrens television: Legislation orders broadcasters to meet children's educational needs through television programming and limits commercials during children's television shows.

- Disabled: Legislation bars discrimination against the nation's largest minority, 43 million with physical or mental disabilities.

- Super collider: First construction money authorized and appropriated for the giant particle accelerator, an underground tunnel of magnets 54 miles long that is expected to cost over $8 billion over the next decade.

- Head start: The biggest expansion since its inception, the education, nutrition, health and social service programs for pre- schoolers is designed to serve all eligible children by 1994.

- Thrifts: A bailout of S&L operations through a multi-billion dollar restructuring and refinancing of the industry and its deposit insurance system.

- Pay: House increased salaries for its members to about $124,600 starting in January and the Senate to $104,600 for its members from the current $98,600.

- Oilspill: Sweeping legislation to revise compensation and liability in the event of oil spills and creation of national fund to pay for spill cleanup and damages.

- Catastrophic: In a startling reversal, the year-old catastrophic health insurance program was repealed.

- Flag: legislation making it a crime to desecrate the flag was passed but then ruled unconstitutional by the courts.

- Smoking: a total smoking ban on virtually all domestic airline flights went into effect early this year.

- Base closing: Despite fierce opposition from affected lawmakers, Congress put into operation an ambitious plan to close or partially close 91 military bases in the United States and save about $700 million a year.

- Impeachment: Two federal judges, Walter Nixon of Mississppi and Alcee Hastings of Florida, were impeached and removed from the bench.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 28) UPI - The bride and groom looked gruesome and may have been as nervous as any other couple, but still said their ''I do's'' in a little out-of-the ordinary wedding in their backyard.

Anthony Taylor was dressed as Frankenstein, his bride, Debra Hutcherson, was the Bride of Frankenstein as they culminated their six- year courtship with a Halloween-themed wedding Saturday.

''You always see pretty brides and pretty weddings,'' said the 32- year-old bride. ''I just wanted my day to be different.''

She got the idea of a Halloween-themed wedding when she and her sister, Beverly Whitehead, were making plans for the ceremony.

''When I realized the date was near Halloween I suggested we have everyone dress in costume,'' said Whitehead, the matron of honor in a Popeye the Sailor costume.

Not everyone was easy to convince, especially the groom.

''He threatened to call it off if we didn't have a regular wedding,'' Debra said.

''I was kind of leery at first,'' said Taylor, 34. ''But I'd rather be married to Debra in costume than not at all.''

The minister came in his usual churchly garb, but friends and relatives came as clowns, witches, superheroes and jailbirds.

''I've never heard of anything like this before,'' said a guest, Woody Roberts dressed as a bum.

The bride's 14-year-old daughter, Yolanda, wasn't surprised.

''She's done crazy things before,'' she said.

The groom says the wedding will be memorable if nothing else.

''Twenty years from now, I'll probably still think it's crazy,'' he said.

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TBILISI, Georgia, U.S.S.R. (OCT. 28) UPI - Georgians voted Sunday in their republic's first free elections to form a parliament from a bewildering array of 1,900 candidates from more than 30 parties challenging Communist supremacy.

Voting in the ancient capital of Tbilisi was brisk with lines at polling stations and election officials reporting heavy early turnout.

''The elections are being held on a multiparty basis for the first time in the years of Soviet power,'' the official Tass news agency said.

Representatives of the competing parties joined international observers from eight Western countries in monitoring the voting at polling stations displaying the burgundy-black-and-white Georgian national flag. The red Soviet banner with its hammer and sickle was not on display.

Voters at several polling stations in Tbilisi clustered around posters on walls showing the campaign platforms of candidates or the 30 parties grouped in 11 different blocs. A total of 1,900 candidates registered to run in the elections.

''It's the first experience for the whole population,'' said an elderly man as he left Polling Station No. 7 in Tbilisi. ''It's too much - so many parties, so many candidates. Before there was just one (party). But you can see that people are more interested now. They want to take part now.''

Opposition leaders had charged that Georgia's Communist government would try to sabotage the elections for a 250-seat legislature, but there were no early reports of problems.

''Everything is going smoothly,'' said Alexander Dolbaia, monitoring Polling Station No. 2 in downtown Tbilisi for the Round Table-Free Georgian opposition bloc. ''I haven't seen any indication of irregularities.''

The chairman of the election committee at Polling Station No. 2 said that 20 percent of the eligible voters in his district had cast their ballots in the first four hours.

Voters made their choices in nearly 3,000 precincts across Georgia, showing their red internal Soviet passports, registering in thick log books and receiving a green ballot to vote for a party or bloc and a white ballot for an individual candidates.

Half, or 125, of the seats in the Georgian Parliament were to go to individuals and half were slated for blocs that will fill any posts they win with candidates of their choosing.

Each ballot was signed on the back by a local election official to counter fears that the Communists had printed extra ballots and planned to stuff the ballot boxes. The republican Central Election Commission was chaired by a Communist, but the major parties had representatives on it.

''The results of the elections will impartially show whether they were held democratically,'' Irakli Zhordania, the election commission head, told Tass.

Despite their warnings of potential sabotage by the Communist government, opposition leaders said Saturday that the polls should go ahead as a first step toward independence for the Transcaucasian republic.

''People are excited by the chance to finally really vote, but they are confused,'' one opposition activist said. ''They don't know what the difference is between all the parties.''

All 11 blocs - even the Communists still loyal to the Soviet Communist Party - campaigned on pledges to work for independence for the southern republic. Few specified when and how they plan to achieve that goal.

To add to the confusion, many of the parties had similar names. Three parties were called the Popular Front and a fourth was the Popular Party. Five parties used ''democratic'' in their names.

There were opposition charges that the wounding Friday of National Democratic Party leader Georgi Chanturia outside an alternative Georgian congress was part of a plan to make the election fail.

''This is a provocation, an attempt to stop the election,'' said Ziad Gamsakhurdia, a former dissident and leader of the strongest opposition bloc, ''Round Table - Free Georgia.''

Chanturia, whose party believes the elections cannot be fair under the Communists and is boycotting them, was wounded in the arm while he was leaving the congress hall on Tbilisi's main Rustaveli Avenue. Local police said there were no suspects in the case.

Tbilisi's newspapers appealed for calm, and opposition leaders asked their supporters to not let themselves be provoked and to go ahead with the elections.

WASHINGTON (OCT. 28) UPI - Attorney General Dick Thornburgh denounces it as an attempt to ''tear apart the moral fabric of our society.'' FBI Director William Sessions says his department is ''deeply committed'' against it.

An old offense with a new name, incidents of ''hate crime'' appear to be on the rise in America and have triggered a flurry of recent activity by the Justice Department, capped by a symbolic trip to Oklahoma by the nation's top law enforcement officer.

''Racial, ethnic and religious violence is not a one-victim crime, but a crime against an entire community,'' Thornburgh said in announcing the indictment in Tulsa of six ''skinheads'' - young toughs often associated with bigotry and violence.

''By spreading their hatred across our neighborhoods, public accommodations, houses of worship and even graveyards,'' Thornburgh added, ''these groups seek to make all citizens their victims and to instill fear in a wide variety of innocent Americans.''

While Thornburgh was in Oklahoma, Assistant Attorney General James Turner, head of the department's civil rights division, told reporters in Washington that hate crimes are his department's ''absolute highest priority.''

He said that since 1988, the Justice Department has won more than 100 convictions in 20 states on charges ranging from desecration of synagogues to racially-motivated murder.

Despite such pronouncements and some high-visibility prosecutions, the Justice Department is getting mixed reviews for its hate crime initiatives. While some praise the department's recent crackdown on skinheads and other hate groups, others complain that the Bush administration's commitment is uneven and falls short of what is needed to combat, as one activist calls it, ''the most insidious crimes that exist in our society.''

Earl Shinhoster, southeast regional director of the NAACP, got reacquainted with hate crime last year when a tear gas letter bomb exploded in his Atlanta office. He maintains that Thornburgh has not backed up his words with action.

''I think the Justice Department needs to go beyond holding news conferences '' Shinhoster said. ''They have to make sure local and state law enforcement understands their responsibility in cooperating with the federal government in identifying and assisting in investigating these kinds of crimes.''

''There's much more the Department of Justice could be doing,'' added Kevin Berril, director of the anti-violence project at the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. ''I think they could show greater concern and involvement in anti-gay crimes across the country.''

Berril cited persistent complaints that a Justice Department hate crime hotline has discouraged homosexuals from making reports. Although the department assured him the hotline was open to homosexuals, Berril said, ''We still receive complaints that telephone staffers are turning away gay victims.''

Yet others give the Justice Department high marks on hate crime.

''We are extremely pleased with the conduct of the Justice Department,'' Jeffrey Sinensky, national civil rights director for the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, said. ''They are taking these matters seriously.''

And Khaled Rahhal, a 43-year-old Lebanese-American, says he is ''glad and impressed'' by the federal effort. Rahhal, a college-educated father of four, was beaten unconscious last year by a group of skinheads at Club Nitro, his underground Tulsa dance hall. One of Rahhal's attackers wielded a brick, opening a gash on his head that required 28 stitches to close.

''I'm very happy about the indictments,'' he said by telephone from the club that was terrorized for two years by skinheads who suspected patrons of ''racial mixing.'' Ironically, Rahhal described club patrons as almost exclusively ''white yuppies.''

''I am glad and impressed the federal government jumped on this one and stayed with it,'' he said.

When the Tulsa indictments were announced, Sessions said, ''The FBI is deeply committed to defeating acts of racial hatred.''

Sessions added, ''Our overall aim is to reduce the incidence of federal civil rights violations and to ensure that the federally protected rights of persons in the United States are not violated.''

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(OCT. 28) UPI - Congress has sent to the White House a foreign aid appropriations bill that cuts U-S military aid to El Salvador if it does NOT negotiate a peace settlement. The bill also forgives Egypt's seven-BILLION-dollar military debt.

Congress has passed a major overhaul of immigration law to attract more skilled workers. The law is expected to increase the number of immigrants from Europe.

The U-N Security Council has put off until tomorrow consideration of new measures to force Iraq out of Kuwait. The council met yesterday, but recessed amid speculation a diplomatic solution may be in sight.

Members of the communist Warsaw Pact agreed yesterday on how to share cuts in tanks and artillery. This clears the way for a treaty with NATO on conventional forces and may lead to the end of the Warsaw Pact military alliance.

The Soviet government has ordered troops to prevent ethnic clashes in Moldavia. The Gagauzi Turkic minority voted for independence Thursday. Angry Moldavians then streamed into the Gagauz region.

Elliot Roosevelt, President Franklin Roosevelt's son, died yesterday in Scottsdale, Arizona. Roosevelt was 80. He was a decorated flier in World War Two and led a wing that participated in D-day landings.

President Bush has promised to establish funds to boost private investment in the Pacific region and promote development of natural resources. Bush is in Honolulu where he met yesterday with leaders of 11 tiny Pacific island nations.

Striking workers blocked French entrances to the tunnel under the English Channel yesterday. They are demanding more pay. The tunnel is under construction and the part from France is expected to link up with the tunnel from England in a few days.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 28) UPI - For the 32 senators seeking re-election, the vote on the $490 billion, five-year cut in the federal deficit was a dicey gamble as they go into the final days of the campaign.

The budget vote presented a double-edged dilemma to the candidates, many already fearing an anti-incumbent mood among voters.

A vote for the package could expose them to charges that they backed higher gasoline, beer, tobacco and liquor taxes as well as higher premiums for the elderly on Medicare. A vote against the package opened them to accusations that they are unwilling to do anything about the mushrooming deficit.

A majority of the senators running this year apparently thought a no vote was the lesser of two evils.

Surprisingly, a majority of the Republican candidates - eight of 14, decided to back the package during Saturday's 54-45 vote in favor of the deficit-chopping plan. Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., was absent but he had his position recorded as no.

Democrats were more skittish. In their case, only six of 17 voted to cut the deficit.

Assistant Senate Republican leader Alan Simpson of Wyoming, who voted for the bill, was asked if support for the package would become a campaign issue and hurt those who supported it.

''If the people aren't at a point, in their duty as citizens, to realize what we're doing, then, you know, it won't matter what we do 30 years out,'' he said.

''It won't, if they tell the truth,'' Simpson said. ''You don't have any problem campaigning about what the alternative is for this country if we do nothing.''

In addition to Simpson, the Republicans who voted for the deficit-cutting package were Sens. Ted Stevens of Alaska, Nancy Kassebaum of Kansas, Rudy Boschwitz of Minnesota, Thad Cochran of Mississippi, Pete Domenici of New Mexico, Strom Thurmond of South Carolina and John Warner of Virginia.

With the exception of Boschwitz, who is in a tight race against an unknown political scientist, Paul Wellstone, these senators are not threatened in the election. Democrats did not even field a candidate against Warner or Cochran.

The six Democrats running for re-election who supported the bill were Sens. David Pryor of Arkansas, Sam Nunn of Georgia, Daniel Akaka of Hawaii, David Boren of Oklahoma, Al Gore of Tennessee and John Rockefeller of West Virginia.

Only Akaka has a close race, against Republican Rep. Patricia Saiki. Pryor and Nunn have no GOP opponents and the rest have easy races.

But senators from both parties who face serious challenges in the election shied away from deficit-cutting package.

Among the Democrats, they included Sens. Tom Harkin of Iowa, John Kerry of Massachusetts, Carl Levin of Michigan, Paul Simon of Illinois, Max Baucus of Montana, James Exon of Nebraska and Claiborne Pell of Rhode Island.

But just as many considered shoo-ins, or close to it, also voted against the package.

They included such top-heavy favorites as Sens. Joseph Biden of Delaware, Howell Heflin of Alabama and Bill Bradley of New Jersey. Even Sen. Bennett Johnston of Louisiana, who has won re-election, voted no.

Republicans who anticipate a close race also went against the leadership and President Bush to vote against the package. They were Dan Coats of Indiana, Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, Jesse Helms of North Carolina and Larry Pressler of South Dakota.

But so did strong favorites such as Sens. William Cohen of Maine and Phil Gramm of Texas.

The six Republican House members running for the Senate all voted against the package. They were Hank Brown of Colorado, Larry Craig of Idaho, Lynn Martin of Illinois, Saiki of Hawaii, Claudine Schneider of Rhode Island and Tom Tauke of Iowa.

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BUDAPEST (OCT. 28) UPI - A three-day nationwide blockade of major transport routes in Hungary was eased Sunday but negotiations between the government and protestors stalled with the threat of a general strike.

Despite declaring its desire for compromise, the government maintained its support for the nearly 70 percent increase in gasoline prices imposed late Thursday that sparked a strike by taxi drivers that mushroomed and resulted in nationwide road blockades.

The price rises stemmed from a cutback in oil deliveries from the Soviet Union and a rise in crude oil prices on the world market during the Persian Gulf crisis.

The chairman of the National Trade Union Association, Sandor Nagy, warned in a statement that a general strike could be called Monday if no compromise was reached.

Demonstrators hoped the government would drop the price rise by 20 cents or from 65 percent to 33 percent.

Opponents of the 65 percent rise said the government should have shown restraint in the face of inevitable fuel price rises during the gulf crisis and not increased budget revenue by incorporating a tax in gasoline prices.

In Sunday's negotiations, the representatives of trade unions and employers urged the government to assist in a quick resolution of the crisis because time was ''running out.''

By late afternoon the only government concession was to give up its control over gasoline prices and allow them to fluctuate according to market pressures.

Industry Minister Akos Peter Bod said the liberalization of gasoline prices could be done in 3 to 14 days, depending on how soon legislators endorse the relevant bill.

The employers' spokesman, Parliamentary Deputy Janos Palotas, welcomed the liberalization as a ''compromise solution'' of a 33 percent price hike instead

of the government's 65 percent that would ''put the burden of world market prices on the population.'' He said there was a consensus that people on the street would carry the extra burden.

Palotas urged government negotiators to stop procrastinating and said the government should not insist on the extra revenue from the 65 percent price hike.

Bod argued that there was a danger that the country's reserves would run out and said the government introduced the hikes to prevent such a scenario.

Palotas said the statement ran against market rules because higher prices never produced higher demand. Nagy said to prevent gasoline shortages a committee should be set up to work out procedures that would prevent depletion of the country's reserves.

Also Sunday, more than 5,000 pro-government demonstrators gathered in front of the Ministry of Labor building, shouting ''We want order,'' ''We are the majority'' and ''There won't be any coup.'' The protestors demanded roadblocks be removed immediately and accused Hungarian television of biased reports, calling for a government press. The group was addressed by the ministers of Defense and Home Affairs.

As part of the partial lifting of the blockade Sunday, border crossings between Hungary and Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia and Austria were cleared to allow foreign visitors out of the country.

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(OCT. 28) UPI - The French Foreign Minister says the estimated 330 French hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait will fly to Paris tomorrow. Radio Monte Carlo says 27 French are staying in Iraq, most of them to complete business deals. A French spokesman says the diplomats who have been at the French Embassy in Kuwait probably will be on the flight. But he says the embassy will not be formally closed as Iraq demands.

Protests were held around the United States yesterday against the tax increases in the new federal budget plan. Many protesters wielded brooms to show they want to ''sweep'' supporters of the plan out of office. A spokesman for the Utah Taxpayers Association said the budget will increase the deficit... not reduce it. A Detroit speaker said a one-year spending freeze should be tried.

Ugo Tognazzi, a popular Italian movie actor, died in Rome last night. Doctors say he suffered a cerebral hemorrhage. Tognazzi was 68. Tognazzi was hailed as the king of Italian comics and worked with well known Italian directors such as Dino Risi and Marco Ferreri. His most acclaimed movies included ''The Queen

Bee,'' ''The Great Gorging'' and ''The Monsters.''

The European Community winds up a special weekend summit meeting in Rome today far off their original topic of aid to the Soviet Union. Instead the 12 leaders have argued over what position to take on farm subsidies at the coming talks on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. The E-C executive agency wants farm subsidies cut 30 percent. Germany and France say that is too much. The United States wants 75- percent cuts by the year 2000.

A black South African groups invited to a summit on violence has rejected the invitation. The Zulu Inkatha Freedom Party questioned Archbishop Desmond Tutu's impartiality in calling for the meeting. Tutu also invited the African National Congress. Inkatha said Tutu had made suggestions giving ''ecclesiastical endorsement'' of the African National Congress' policies.

South African authorities say two crew members of a Norwegian freighter were killed in an explosion Friday and three others are presumed dead. The three missing include the captain and second officer. Since they were NOT wearing protective clothing they are presumed dead and NO search was made. The explosion rocked the coal-carrier Berge Charlotte west of the Namibian coast.

A Coast Guard officer says most of a major kerosene spill in the Hudson River was cleaned up yesterday. But the entire clean-up may take several days. 160-thousand gallons of kerosene spilled from a barge 70 miles north of New York City Friday. The Coast Guard says the kerosene will NOT harm residents along the river, but it could destroy marine life.

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NAIROBI, Kenya (OCT. 28) UPI - Kenyan Olympic Committee secretary Tom Omuombo said Sunday South Africa's return to the Olympic movement will depend on the outcome of an African Olympic Committee meeting to be held in Zimbabwe in November.

Omuombo said more than 100 AOC delegates were expected to attend the meeting, scheduled to take place in the Zimbabwean capital, Harare.

''The delegates' recommendations will be studied by the International Olympic Committee before a decision is taken to readmit South Africa to international sport,'' Omuombo said.

He said, however, South Africa's return to world sports was no longer just an IOC issue. ''It is now an issue for African National Olympic committees,'' Omuombo commented.

Sports observers in East Africa have agreed with Omuombo's appraisal that the South African problem could only be solved by Africa itself.

Omuombo said before South Africa fully re-entered world sport, it would have to fulfill several conditions such as the establishment of a multiracial national sports association and Olympic committee.

He was optimistic this would happen after South Africa abolished the apartheid system of racial segregation.

At present, the South African National Olympic Committee, headed by Johan du Plessis, is run by whites.

He declined to comment, however, on persistent suggestions by some members of Olympic committees that South Africa might participate in the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta.

One sports source in Nairobi said during the Harare meeting the executive chairman of the South African Non-Racial Olympic Committee, Sam Ramsamy, was expected to present a report on South Africa's return to international sport.

''I'm sure Sam has definitely compiled a favorable report on changes in sport in South Africa, since authorities there lifted a ban on the African National Congress,'' the source said.

South Africa was expelled from the Olympics after the 1960 Rome Games.

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(OCT. 28) UPI - Members of the 101st Congress headed home early today after giving final approval to a deficit cutting budget plan acceptable to President Bush. The hard fought package will cut 490-BILLION dollars in federal red ink over five years, but is NOT all that different from the mix of tax hikes and cutbacks the president rejected earlier this month causing a shutdown of NON-essential government services during the Columbus Day weekend. Bush says it will sign the bill.

Before adjourning, the Senate also approved a pollution-fighting clean air bill that would force nearly every major industry to make significant cuts in urban smog, acid rain and other toxic emmissions. Senators also gave final approval to a comphrensive housing assistance bill and sent to the Oval Officean immigration bill that would boost the overall number of legal immigrants to the United States to about 700- thousand a year.

Israel has re-opened its borders with the West Bank and Gaza Strip, allowing tens of thousands of Palestinians to return to their jobs inside Israel. The borders with the occupied territories were sealed four days ago after Palestinians began attacking Jews to avenge the Temple Mount killings in Jerusalem. Israelis retaliated by attacking Palestinians. Defense Minister

Moshe Arens has ordered tighter security checks on the Arab workers to prevent more acts of violence.

The commander of the 210-thousand U-S military personnel in Saudi Arabia says he wants to avoid war in the Persian Gulf. General H-Norman Schwarzkopf, nicknamed ''Stormin' Norman'' by his troops, says NOTHING world make him happier than to have Saddam Hussein withdraw from Kuwait. General Schwarzkopf says a desert war with Iraqi forces would cost many American casualties.

President Bush is in Hawaii mixing diplomacy with politics on a four- day political trip West. Yesterday, he held a Honolulu summit with leaders from 11 Pacific island nations and pledged support for new funds to encourage private sector investment and natural resource development in the strategic Pacific basin.

The nasty budget battle and the Persian Gulf crisis have taken their poll on President Bush's popularity. Only 48 percent of those asked in latest public opinion poll say they approve of the way Bush is handling his job. Two-thirds of the 723 Americans surveyed say Bush's political influence in eroding.

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(OCT. 28) UPI - TODAY'S PEOPLE:

FONDA ON EXERCISE: Jane Fonda's movie career may have slowed down lately but she's keeping busy with her exercise empire. ''I have several movie projects cooking but who knows?'' she said. ''I don't like to discuss them because they may never be made or someone is liable to come along and pick up on the ideas. At the moment, I don't have a movie coming out. I don't have one about to go into production and I really don't care much. But it's a fact of life that even the best middle-aged actresses aren't working very often. There aren't a lot of good parts for women in successful pictures.'' Fonda will always have good parts in exercise videos and she just issued her 12th one. '''Lean Routine' is the first tape I've done of an hour of interval aerobics training, which increases the intensity so that your pulse goes up, then down, and builds again and down again several times,'' she said. ''That arc maximizes fat-burning.''

MEMPHIS MEMORIES: Te movie ''Memphis Belle'' is bringing back memories for Harold Loch, who was a turret gunner on one of the most famous B-17 bombers of World War II. Loch, 70, who started a home- building business in Green Bay, Wis., after the war, says the movie is fairly faithful to the crew's exploits. Loch and his crewmates became so famous that they met the queen of England and he once danced with actress Olivia de Havilland at a Hollywood party. ''I ate steak and lobster every day for 80 days. It was rough,'' Loch said. In the

movie, Reed Diamond plays a character based loosely on Loch, who was nicknamed ''Virgie'' by crew members because he was a virgin.

Writer-director Charles Burnett, whose new movie, ''To Sleep With Anger,'' stars Danny Glover, sides with those who say some of Robert Mapplethorpe's controversial photographs are pornographic. ''When you see a girl with her dress up, what is that?'' he said in an interview with The Washington Post. ''It's not art. The danger is (that) there's a lot of people with a lot of mental problems out there and you end up supporting them. There are such things as taboos. ... Freedom of speech is one thing but I think people need to be held accountable.''

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(OCT. 28) UPI - Soviet Middle East envoy Yevgeny Primakov met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad today. The official Iraqi news agency reported the meeting but gave NO indication whether Primakov made any progress toward a negotiated settlement of the Gulf stalemate.

U-S marines were airlifted onto an Iraqi merchant ship today after the vessel was halted off the coast of Oman. Both U-S and Australian warships fired across the ship's bow before it was finally boarded after a 30-minute sea chase. A search turned up NO prohibited cargo and the ship continued on to the Iraqi port of Basra.

France says an Iraqi Airways plane will airlift some 350 French nationals out of Iraq and Kuwait tomorrow. A spokesman for the French Foreign Ministry says all French citizens have received exit visas, but the evacuation flight was delayed because Iraqi officials insist the French leave on an Iraqi flight.

The battle-scarred 101st Congress left Washington this morning just 10 days before the mid-term elections. Before adjourning, the Senate gave final approval to a deficit reduction agreement President Bush says he can sign. Congress also passed landmark clean air, child care and housing bills.

Americans upset about the higher taxes they'll pay under the new budget agreement protested across the county yesterday... many holding brooms to express their desire to ''sweep'' incumbents out of office. Anti-tax crusader Richard Headlee told a Detroit rally NONE of the tax hikes are justified.

In South Africa, the Zulu Inkatha Freedom Party today turned Archbishop Desmond Tutu's invitation to attend a black summit with the rival African National Congress. The Zulus question Tutu's impartiality and say he has endorsed the multi-tribal policies of the A-N-C.

Taxi drivers in Budapest today partial ended their three-day national blockade of major roads. But negotiations with the government on rolling back a nearly 70 percent hike in the price of gasoline ended with the threat of a general strike tomorrow across all of Hungary.

Proud St. Louis residents are celebrating the birthday of the city's biggest tourist attraction, the 630-foot-tall Gateway Arch. The stainless steel monument designed by Finnish-born architect Eero Saainen to last one-thousand years was completed 25 years ago to mark the ''Gateway to the West.''

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BEIRUT, Lebanon (OCT. 28) UPI - Syria and Lebanon Sunday agreed to speed up a planned demilitarization of war-battered Beirut that would 15 years of militia rule, political sources said.

The sources said the agreement was reached during a meeting in Damascus early Sunday that included Syrian Vice President Abdel Halim Khaddam, Lebanese Defense Minister Albert Mansour and Mohsen Daloul, Lebanon's minister of agriculture.

The conferees agreed that a process already begun to rid Beirut of warring militias should be finalized by the coming weekend, the sources said.

Mansour and Daloul met with Nabih Berri, chief of the pro-Syrian Shiite Amal militia,immediately after they returned from Damascus late Sunday. Berri later issued a statement saying he agreed with the plan to create the demilitarized zone.

''I have already given orders to my followers to start prepare for the zero hour to shut down their offices,'' Berri's statement said.

A ranking source said ''the zero hour for the creation of a (demilitarized) greater Beirut area will be declared by the end of the week.''

Daloul, in an interview with United Press International earlier this week, indicated that the government intended to clean out arms caches in the city.

''A political decision to clear Beirut completely of guns has been taken, but such a complicated operation will be carried out by the army, '' Daloul said.

The two ministers have met with various militia leaders since holdout Christian Gen. Michel Aoun was driven from the presidential palace by a Syrian-Lebnanese force Oct. 13.

Sources said the Christian Lebanese Forces militia, which patrols a ghetto in east Beirut, and the pro-Iranian Shiite Moslem Hezbollah organization, which

maintains bases in southern Beirut, have already withdrawn heavy arms. The government plan to rid Beirut of militia presence was in line of a national reconciliation accord that was crafted by the Lebanese Parliament in Saudi Arabia last October, stipulating military and political steps to achieve constitutional reforms and end 15 years of bloody crises.

Aoun had rebuffed the internationally blessed accord for failing to ensure a speedy and full withdrawal of Syria's 35,000 troops from the country.

After being driven from the palace, Aoun took refuge in the French Embassy on the eastern outskirts of Beirut. French President Francois Mitterrand has rejected a request from the Lebanese government to hand over Aoun to stand trial.

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(OCT. 28) UPI - President Bush is keeping his mind on politics following final congressional passage of a deficit cutting budget plan he says he will sign. Bush held a regional summit with the leaders of 11 Pacific island nations in Honolulu yesterday and continues his four-day western political trip today.

Israel today reopened its borders with the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip as troops stepped up security at checkpoints to prevent more revenge attacks. But hundreds of Palestinians NOT permitted to commute to their jobs for the past four days are finding themselves out of work.

Palestinian sources say as many as 400 Arabs were told they had been fired and replaced by newly arrived Russian immigrants. More than 110- thousand Palestinians work in Israel mostly in construction, agriculture and menial low-paying service positions.

The Israeli Cabinet today unanimously accepted a commission's report on the October 8th Temple Mount shootings that killed at least 20 Palestinians and wounded 150 others in Jerusalem. But the Cabinet remains divided on whether to fire or reprimand senior police officials for failing to prevent the rioting.

Army radio says a majority of the ministers support some sort of disciplinary action. The Cabinet gave the police minister wide latitude to carry out the report's recommendations, but said it must be consulted on any dismissals.

Violence continues in South Africa's bloody Natal province. Tribal fighting between black mine workers left eight people dead and 37 injured overnight after a gunman killed a black minister outside his church in the city of Virginia. The fighting continued the Harmony mine last night.

Despite the reservations of British Prime Minister Thatcher, leaders of the

European Community have agreed to begin the next stage toward a single European currency. The 12-nation E-C will open a central bank. Economists say a unified currency could save 26-BILLION dollars a year in exchange costs.

Americans who forgot to turn their clocks back one hour overnight are finding themselves early for church services and breakfast dates this morning. The annual rite of ''Spring Ahead, Fall Back'' occurred early this morning as most of the nation returned to standard time.

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(OCT. 28) UPI - Iraq today freed 10 Greek nationals held as human shields against attack. Officials in Athens say the Iraqi Foreign Ministry gave the Greek Embassy in Baghdad a list of 10 names of Greeks who are being given exit visas on health grounds. About 14 Greek citizens will remain behind as captives in Iraq.

The release of the Greeks comes as an estimated 350 French citizens in Iraq and Kuwait prepare to return to Paris. The French had been expected to leave during the weekend but their departure was held up when Iraq said it would only permit them to leave aboard an Iraqi Airways plane. About 27 French nationals are staying in Iraq for business reasons.

The Iraqi news agency says Soviet Mideast envoy Yevgeny Primakov met with Saddam Hussein today. Primakov has repeatedly said he believes a negotiated settlement can be reached on Kuwait, but there's NO word if he made any progress today.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and his wife Raisa arrived in Paris today for two days of talks expected to focus on the Persian Gulf crisis.

The Soviet first couple and Foreign Minister Edward Shevardnadze were welcomed by President Francois Mitterrand , who just returned to France from a European Community Summit in Rome.

E-C leaders issued a communique today expressing strong support for a stable European currency. Only Britain's Prime Minister Thatcher dissented... calling for a 13th currency backed by the new European Monetary Fund. The 12-nation European Community plans to set up a central bank, or ''Eurofed,'' after it drops border controls between member nations in 1994.

Hundreds of Palestinians are finding themselves out of work as they return to Israel four days after the army sealed off the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Palestinian sources say up to 400 Arabs have been fired and replaced on their jobs by new-arrived Soviet Jews.

Israel reopened the borders with the occupied territories today as the Cabinet

unanimously accepted a commission's report on the October 8th Temple Mount riots. Cabinet ministers support disciplinary action for police but want to be consulted before any senior officials are fired.

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(OCT. 28) UPI - Leaders of the 12-nation European Community have decided NOT to send individual representatives to Iraq to negotiate for the release of their hostages. That as Iraq allows 10 Greek citizens and an estimated 350 French nationals in Baghdad and Kuwait to go home.

The E-C wrapped up its two-day Rome summit urging the United Nations to send a special envoy to Iraq to negotiate the freedom of all foreign hostages held by Iraq. A final communique reaffirmed their ''total solidarity'' to achieve freedom for all foreigners held against their will.

Police in Orange, California, have arrested a cookie store employee who allegedly stole money and dumped metal staples into a batch of Mrs. Fields cookies. The 20-year-old suspect was picked up yesterday after a customer returned a cookie containing several staples. The company says the food tampering incident is the first in its 12-year history.

Philippine President Corazon Aquino today lashed out at a communist rebels who waged a campaign of violence during last week's general strike. Aquino says her government is negotiating with labor leaders but that bombings and burnings hurt the protest for higher wages. 10 people died and the rebels caused nearly one-Million dollars in damage.

Voters in Soviet Georgia are choosing a new parliament today in the republic's first free elections. With more than 19-hundred candidates from 30 parties challenging the Communists, the turnout in the capital of Tbilisi is heavy. Tass reports the balloting is going smoothly.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak says Moslem extremists arrested for the assassination of Egypt's parliament speaker may have gotten money and support from outside the country. Police killed two fundamentalists and arrested a dozen others yesterday. It was originally believed pro-Iraqi terrorists gunned down Egypt's number two official in Cairo two weeks ago.

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(OCT. 28) UPI - Congress adjorns after passing budget plan... European Community leaders end Rome summit calling for U-N to negotiate with Iraq... Soviet President Gorbachev in France for Gulf talks. Today's news, next, from the wires of U-P-I:

Tired from months of squabbling over the budget, Congress finally left Washington today after passing a 490-BILLION-dollar deficit reduction plan that President Bush supports and says he'll sign.

In the end, the budget vote produces a double edged dilemma for the representatives and senators seeking re-election in 10 days. It hikes taxes for the wealthy, but slaps added taxes on Americans who drink, smoke, drive and like to buy luxuries.

Lawmakers may face an angry backlash from taxpayers because of the gasoline and alcohol levies as well as retribution from the powerful senior citizens lobby because of higher premiums for Medicare.

Farmers, veterans and students will lose federal benefits.

The vote in the Senate was surprising in that eight of the 14 Republicans up for re-election on November 6th joined Democrats in approving the deficit chopping plan on a 54-45 vote.

Assistant Senate G-O-P leader Alan Simpson of Wyoming said he supported the budget plan because- ''You doN'T have any problem campaigning about what the alternative is for this country if we do NOTHING.''

House Speaker Tom Foley is defending the record of the 101st Congress. Over a two-year period the Congress passed the first major overhaul of the Clean Air Act in 13 years... the first change in the federal housing program in a decade.... and the first hike in the minimum wage in nearly 10 years.

In the rush to adjournment, Congress also passed a bill increasing legal immigation from 490-thousand to 700-thousand people... and a new program of tax credits for working families who need child care.

Still, Vice President Quayle took a parting shot at the lawmakers, saying- ''This is truly a great day. Congress has finally left town and America is now safe.''

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(OCT. 28) UPI - British Prime Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was the odd-person out at the just-ended Rome summit of European Community leaders.

Thatcher dissented when leaders of the other 11 member nations agreed to move ahead on the next stage toward a unified European currency. And the British prime minister accused France and Germany of protectionism for their farmers.

Thatcher said at the end of the two-day meeting that it's quiet clear some members openly remain protectionist.

Economists say creating a common currency could save citizens of the E-C nations up to 26-BILLION dollars a year in exchange costs.

The next stage of monetary union for the European Community will include establishment of a central European bank, called the ''Eurofed.'' Leaders say... despite the British reservations... they're optimistic a common currency will be in use in Western Europe by the year 2000.

Thatcher has proposed creating a 13th parallel currency that would exist alongside the 12 other national currencies like pounds, francs and marks. Her new currency would be backed by a new European Monetary Fund.

The European Community leaders also agreed today to rely on the United Nations to negotiate the release of foreigners held hostage by Iraq.

In a final communique, they said individual countries should NOT send negotiators to Baghdad.

Soviet President Gorbachev is in Paris today for two days of talks on the Persian Gulf crisis and other international issues.

Gorbachev, his wife Raisa, and Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze were met by French President Francois Mitterrandand Foreign Minister Roland Dumas, who both attended the European Community summit in Rome.

Mitterrand and Gorbachev are expected to hold formal talks before a state dinner tonight at the Elysee Palace. They'll meet again outside Paris tomorrow to sign a friendship and cooperation treaty.

During a 52-hour visit to Spain, Gorbachev won a one-and-a-half-BILLION-dollarcredit agreement from Madrid yesterday.

Elections are under way in the Soviet republic of Georgia today.

Tass reports a heavy turnout of up to 50 percent in some areas as Georgians choose a new parliament from 19-hundred candidates in more than 30 parties. The vote marks the first free elections in the Soviet republic.

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France says it is checking with the United Nations to see whether giving medicines to Iraq would violate U-N economic sanctions. French officials say

Iraq is demanding the medicines before it allows some 300 French hostages to board an Iraqi Airways plane for Paris. Iraq says the French are free.

American and Australian warships intercepted an Iraqi ship off the coast of Oman in the northern Persian Gulf today, four hours after firing 50-caliber machine gun bursts and five-inch rounds across its bow. U-S marines boarded the ship by helicopter, searched it, and finally allowed the vessel to proceed on to the Iraqi port of Basra .

The government of Hungary says it will scale back a 70 percent hike in gasoline prices that triggered three days of nation-wide protests and the threat of a general strike. Angry taxi drivers instigated a blockade of major roads and the public supported the protest.

Political sources in Damascus say Syria and Lebanon have agreed to speed up de-militarization of the war-battered Lebanese capital of Beirut. The plan to ban warring militas from the city is part of peace efforts to end 15 years of civil strife in Lebanon.

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#90301u1139 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

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#90301u1263 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - The San Francisco 49ers survived a scare Sunday to stay undefeated but because they got one, Bud Carson may have survived another week as coach of the Cleveland Browns.

San Francisco, 7-0, escaped with a 20-17 victory when Mike Cofer kicked a 45-yard field goal with five seconds remaining. The loss dropped the Browns to 2-6.

Owner Art Modell implied Carson's job hung on a solid effort. Although they struggled, the Browns rallied from a 14-point deficit in the fourth quarter to tie the score with 70 seconds left.

The comeback came after starter Bernie Kosar was benched in favor of Mike Pagel, who completed 13 of 21 passes for 156 yards and two touchdowns.

The Browns crept within 17-10 with 9:13 left when Pagel threaded an 11-yard scoring strike through linebacker Keena Turner's hands to Webster Slaughter. Felix Wright intercepted Joe Montana at the San Francisco 27 to set up the drive.

Pagel engineered a 66-yard, 11-play drive to tie the score with 70 seconds remaining. He hit Ozzie Newsome with a 4-yard toss on a fade pattern in the end zone to make it 17-17.

Montana completed just 17 of 37 passes for 185 yards, one touchdown and a pair of interceptions that led to 10 Cleveland points. It was the worst afternoon Montana had since he went 17 of 40 for 222 yards and one touchdown in a loss to Denver in 1985.

Montana was 6 of 18 for 70 yards and two interceptions in the second half but on the final drive, completed a 35-yard strike to Mike Sherrard and a 5-yard pass to Jerry Rice to set up the kick.

''We feel like we're probably one of the best teams in the league when it comes down to the two-minute drill,'' said fullback Tom Rathman, who scored on a 1-yard dive in the first half. ''And we didn't even have two minutes today.''

The 49ers came into the contest so thin at wide receiver that backup quarterback Steve Young was used as wide out when they went four wide. Then in the fourth quarter, Sherrard broke his right ankle and was lost for four to six weeks. He missed nearly two seasons recovering from a twice broken right leg.

The 49ers recorded four sacks, forced three turnovers, held the Browns twice inside the 20 on fourth down and gave up just 38 yards on 18 attempts on the ground.

''The bottom line is that it doesn't matter if you get beat by 3 or 30,'' Pagel said. ''You still lose the ball game.''

It remains to be seen if anyone loses their job.

In other games, the New York Giants defeated Washington 21-10, Buffalo beat New England 27-10, Detroit downed New Orleans 27-10, Miami routed Indianapolis 27-7, the New York Jets got by Houston 17-12, Green Bay dropped Minnesota 24-10, Philadelphia nipped Dallas 21-20, Chicago ripped Phoenix 31-21, San Diego trounced Tampa Bay 41-10 and Atlanta defeated Cincinnati 38-17.

-- AROUND THE NFL --

Giants 21, Redskins 10

At East Rutherford, N.J., Phil Simms threw two first-half touchdown passes and Everson Walls returned his second interception 28 yards for a score to keep unbeaten New York in command of the NFC East. The Giants, 7-0 and off to their best start ever, took a three-game lead over Washington, 4-3, in the division race. The victory was the Giants' sixth straight over Washington.

Bills 27, Patriots 10

At Foxboro, Mass., Thurman Thomas ran for 136 yards and one touchdown and Jim Kelly threw for 208 yards and another score, keying 6-1 Buffalo's fifth straight victory. New England, 1-6, has lost five in a row since the controversy began about a female reporter being sexually harassed in the team's locker room and is off to its worst start since 1970.

Lions 27, Saints 10

At New Orleans, linebacker Jimmy Williams recovered a fumble and rambled 51 yards to give Detroit the lead for good and the Saints turned the ball over six times in the second half. The Saints held a 10-7 lead at halftime but ended each of their first four possessions of the second half with a turnover. Detroit improved to 3-4 and New Orleans fell to 2- 5.

Dolphins 27, Colts 7

At Indianapolis, Cliff Odom recovered a fumble for a touchdown and Miami, 6-1, won its fourth straight game to record its best winning streak since 1985 and best start since 1984. Odom recovered a mishandled snap in the end zone for a touchdown 3:54 into the game. Miami's defense kept the Colts' offense to 133 yards and no points, forced four turnovers, made three sacks and sidelined Indianapolis quarterbacks Jack Trudeau and Jeff George with injuries.

Jets 17, Oilers 12

At Houston, rookie Darrell Davis recovered a Warren Moon fumble for the Jets' first fourth-quarter touchdown and Pat Leahy kicked a 32-yard field goal with 44 seconds remaining. The Jets, 3-5, ended a three-game losing streak and beat Houston, 4-4, for the fourth time in their last five meetings.

Packers 24, Vikings 10

At Milwaukee, Shawn Patterson scored on his first career interception and rookie Darrell Thompson added his first NFL touchdown to pace Green Bay against NFC Central rival Minnesota, which suffered its fifth straight defeat. The Packers, 3-4, held the Vikings, 1-6, to Donald Igwebuike's 20-yard field goal until the final minute. Igwebuike played his first game since being implicated in drug smuggling and is expected to be indicted Monday.

Eagles 21, Cowboys 20

At Irving, Texas, Randall Cunningham conducted an 85-yard drive and hit Calvin Williams for a 10-yard scoring throw with 44 seconds left to push Philadelphia past Dallas. The Cowboys, 3-5, rallied from an eight- point deficit in the fourth quarter and took a 20-14 lead with 4:02 left. The Eagles improved to 3-4.

Bears 31, Cardinals 21

At Tempe, Ariz., Neal Anderson ran for 74 yards and two touchdowns to lead Chicago past Phoenix. The Bears, 6-1, scored on four of their first five possessions and led 28-7 at halftime. Roy Green, in his 13th year, caught five passes for 89 yards, including a 40-yard TD, to become the Cardinals' career leader in receiving yardage with 8,002 yards. The contest drew a sellout crowd of 71,233, largest since the Cardinals moved to Arizona from St. Louis two years ago.

Chargers 41, Buccaneers 10

At San Diego, AFC leading rusher Marion Butts scored three touchdowns in the rout of Tampa Bay. The Buccaneers were without starting quarterback Vinny Testaverde, who was sidelined by a sore toe and the Chargers intercepted his

replacement, Chris Chandler, four times. The Chargers, 3-5, scored on all four of their first-half possessions to lead 24-7 at halftime. Former Chargers back Gary Anderson, who held out all last season, made his first return to San Diego as a Buccaneer.

Falcons 38, Bengals 17

At Atlanta, Deion Sanders scored on a club-record 79-yard punt return and Scott Case set up two other touchdowns with an interception and a fumble recovery against Cincinnati. Rookie Steve Broussard had a 50-yard touchdown run and Mike Rozier scored his first TD of the season with a 1-yard run as the 3-4 Falcons dominated the 5-3 Bengals.

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#90301u1314 10/28/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 28) UPI - Violence erupted during a march by about 30 members of the Ku Klux Klan in Washington, D-C, today. Police in riot gear protected the Klan members as they walked one and one-half miles to the Capitol along Constitution Avenue, but eight officers and six anti-Klan demonstrators were injured in the melee. 43 people were arrested on disorderly conduct charges. A female police officer struck in the head with a brick suffered a fractured neck and was hospitalized in serious condition.

There are strings attached to tomorrow's planned release of 300 French hostages held by Iraq. Officials in Paris say Baghdad is demanding that France send medicine on a plane scheduled to fly home about 300 French hostages from Baghdad tomorrow. French officials say they'll consult with the United Nations to determine if the shipment would violate U-N sanctions against Iraq.

Minnestoa's Independent-Republican candidate for governor has withdrawn from the race. Jon Grunseth three days ago vowed to stay in the campaign, despite allegations he encouraged teen-age girls to swim nude with him at a 1981 party. Grunseth today quit the race... one day after the Star Tribune reported allegations by a woman who said she had a sexual relationship with the candidate. The withdrawal comes just eight days before the general election.

Political sources say Syria and Lebanon today agreed to speed up a planned de-militarization of Beirut... ending 15 years of militia rule. The sources say the agreement came during a meeting in Damascus early today that included Syria's vice president and Lebanon's defense minister. Those at the talks agreed that the process of ridding Lebanon's war-torn capital of its militias should be completed by the coming weekend.

The rift between Lech Walesa and Poland's Solidarity government prime minister widened today. On a visit to his hometown of Plock, Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki told voters he can NOT be prime minister if Walesa is elected president. Walesa has been a harsh critic of the pace of government economic and political reforms. Walesa and Mazowiecki are the leading candidates in a six-way presidential election set for November 25th.

Former President Reagan says his proudest achievement during his years in the

White House is his role in re-shaping the U-S economy. In excerpts from his forthcoming memoirs, Reagan says he's remorseful only for the size of the federal debt he left behind and his failure to deliver a balanced budget. Reagan says deficits are caused by too much spending NOT too little taxing... and he blames Congress for spending too much. Reagan also writes he's an idealist who dreamed of a world free of nuclear weapons.

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#90301u1383 10/28/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 28) UPI - Washington, D-C, Police Chief Isaac Fulwood says a judge should NOT have allowed a march today by 30 Ku Klux Klan members along Constitution Avenue. Fulwood says police gave the K-K-K a permit for a shorter route, but the judge changed it. Quoting Fulwood- ''We're the only experts in this goddamned town. If people wereN'T messing around with us there would be NO problem.'' .

The march triggered violence that injured six demonstrators and eight police officers- one of them seriously. 43 anti-Klan protesters were arrested on disorderly conduct and assault charges. One demonstrator said he believes the K-K-K has a right to march but- quote- ''we have a right to protest.''

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The fate of one-third of the Senate and all of the House will be in the hands of the nation's voters in less than two weeks. And, now that the protracted budget fight on Capital Hill is finally over, lawmakers are worrying about an anti-incumbent backlash as a result of the months of political warfare.

Minnesota's Independent-Republican candidate for governor has quit the race amid new allegations of sexual misconduct. Jon Grunseth described himself as a ''political pragmatist'' in announcing his withdrawal from the race today... just eight days before Minnesota holds its general election.

Hungary is scaling back plans of huge increases in gasoline prices in the wake of nationwide protest and threats of a general strike. The government today announced it would settle for a 33 percent price hike- instead of a 65 percent increase- after negotiations between labor and government leaders.

Union officials say Canadian auto workers voted overwhelmingly during the weekend to accept a settlement with Chrysler Canada. About 60- thousand members of the Canadian Auto Workers union are covered by the new three-year contracts. The vote concludes the 1990 talks between the union and the Canadian operations of the Big Three U-S-based auto makers.

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#90301u1607 10/28/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 28) UPI - A prizewinning Japanese novelist says in an essay published in a Tokyo newspaper that Iraq is today acting like prewar Japan. The novelist says Iraq under Saddam Hussein is defying the world in name of justice as Japan did in the 1930s and 40s. But the writer adds that he doubts Iraq will follow in Japan's footsteps and attack the United States. .

President Bush also had World War Two and Iraq on his mind as he addressed a crowd of about five-thousand military workers at Hickam Air Force Base today in Honolulu. Bush said the world paid dearly for appeasing an aggressor in the second world war- quoting Bush now- ''we're not going to make that mistake again.'' Bush traveled to Hawaii to campaign for a Republican Senate candidate.

The European Community is moving ahead with plans of having a single European currency by the end of the decade, despite Margaret Thatcher's reservations. E-C leaders agreed today at a meeting in Rome to create a central bank- ''the Eurofed'' during the next stage toward E-C monetary union. E-C leaders downplayed the objections of Britain's prime minister, who says she woN'T allow a single currency to be imposed on Britain.

Minnesota's Independent-Republican candidate for governor has quit the race, just nine days before the election. Jon Grunseth nearly quit three days ago due to a report that he encouraged teen-age girls to swim nude with him in 1981. The conservative Grunseth withdrew today after the Minneapolis Star Tribune reported allegations the candidate had a nine-year illicit affair.

What looked to be a Halloween trick proved to be NO treat for patrons of a bar in Great Neck, New York. A bartender and three patrons ignored a masked bandit who announced a stick early today, thinking it was a holiday prank. But they changed their minds quickly when the man pulled a gun, shooting one patron in the leg. The gunman then fled with about four-thousand dollars.

Debra Hutcherson says she wanted she wanted her wedding to be different. The Cincinnati woman says convincing her groom to go along was difficult, but NOT impossible. Hutcherson... dressed as the Bride of Frankenstein... married Anthony Taylor... or Frankenstein, yesterday. The minister came in his usual churchly garb, but guests came as clowns, witches, superheroes and jailbirds.

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#90302b0003 10/29/1990 ~Business Wire
IRVINE, CA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Taco Bell Corp. Monday announced an innovative three-tier pricing strategy which evolved from the company's highly successful 59-cent Value Menu.

The new pricing approach arranges the Taco Bell menu into 59-, 79- and 99-cent

categories, with a few higher-priced specialty items. This type of tiered pricing is a first in the quick-service industry.

The company's unique three-tiered pricing will be unveiled in most of its 3,100 restaurants across the country beginning Monday. The 59-cent category offers Tacos, Bean Burritos, Tostadas, Soft Tacos, Pintos 'n Cheese and Cinnamon Twists.

The 79-cent menu features the new Taco Supreme and Soft Taco Supreme, Nachos, MexiMelt and two new menu items, Pocket Taco and Chilito. At 99 cents Taco Bell has introduced Combo Burrito and Nachos Supreme along with Chicken and Steak Soft Taco.

The company's revolutionary 59-cent pricing strategy has led to record sales and profits for the past two years, in spite of a depressed restaurant industry. Most recently the company posted a third-quarter profit rise of 29 percent to $52.3 million, while sales for the period climbed 16 percent.

Taco Bell is the nation's leading Mexican-style quick-service restaurant chain with the largest share of the Mexican quick-service category. By year's end Taco Bell will have 3,300 restaurants and nearly $2.6 billion in system-wide sales.

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#90302b0005 10/29/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Silicon Valley Group Inc. (NASDAQ, NMS:SVGI) announced that it has received one of its largest orders ever with a contract agreed upon by Motorola for its MOS 11 facility.

Estimated to value more than $50 million, this two-year contract encompasses SVG's most advanced track and deposition systems and is scheduled for implementation in three primary phases.

The order follows an extensive, competitive review from which SVG's recently introduced 90 Series track systems were selected to serve as the exclusive photoresist processing tools for the new fab. The deposition systems chosen, the VTR-7000 Series, represent the company's flagship line of vertical thermal reactors which are designed and manufactured by SVG's Thermco Systems Division.

Motorola officials report that the SVG systems will be used to manufacture leading edge memory and microprocessor devices on the MOS 11 eight-inch

production line. The proven ability to process these 200 mm wafers was a key selection criterion. Currently, SVG has the largest installed based of 200 mm VTR systems in the world. Similary, the 90 Series was specifically designed to meet the challenges posed by these larger diameter wafers.

Due to the magnitude of the order and the term of the contract, SVG will maintain full time process support and service engineers at MOS 11. Signifying the extent of the partnership, Motorola will retain dedicated engineers at the SVG research and manufacturing centers to ensure that product enhancements and new product development programs meet Motorola's emerging requirements, both now and in the future.

Silicon Valley Group Inc. is a leading supplier of automated wafer processing equipment for the worldwide semiconductor industry, and is a member of Semi/SEMATECH. The company's operations consist of the Track Systems Division focused on photoresist processing equipment, the Thermco Systems Division, offering oxidation, diffusion and low pressure chemical vapor deposition (LPCVD) processing systems, and SVG Lithography Systems Inc., which delivers photolithography exposure tools utilizing step-and-scan technology.

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DENVER (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - On Monday, Oct. 29, 1990, SCOTT'S LIQUID GOLD-INC. released comparative sales and income figures for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989.

SCOTT'S LIQUID GOLD-INC. manufactures household chemical products, principally Scott's Liquid Gold for Wood, Touch of Scent air fresheners and Scott's Liquid Gold Glass Cleaner; and through a wholly owned subsidiary, produces Aquafilter disposable cigarette filters.

SCOTT'S LIQUID GOLD-INC.
& consolidated subsidiaries
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$ 6,883,100	$ 7,383,200	$20,732,200	$21,493,100
Income from operations before income taxes	663,900	680,500	330,200	281,800
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income taxes	152,000	132,000	152,000	132,000
Income before extraordinary item	511,900	548,500	178,200	149,800
Tax benefit of operating loss carryforward	152,000	132,000	152,000	132,000
Net income	$ 663,900	$ 680,500	$ 330,200	$ 281,800
Earnings per common share: Income before extraordinary item	$ .05	$ .06	$ .02	$ .02
Tax benefit of operating loss carryforward	.02	.01	.02	.01
Net income per common share	$ .07	$ .07	$ .04	$ .03
Weighted average no. of common shares outstanding	9,062,500	9,249,100	9,088,300	9,260,500

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - ConCorde Career Colleges reported that revenues in the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were 23.5 percent ahead of a year ago and net income was 5.3 percent greater than in the like 1989 period.

For the nine months, revenues rose 13 percent over last year and profits were up slightly from the 1989 period. Revenues and net income included the home study operation specializing in professional paralegal training which was acquired on May 31, 1990.

The company reported that the 17 allied health schools accounted for 68.7 percent of revenues in the nine months, the three computer schools 8.1 percent travel services 2.4 percent, home study 8.5 percent, paralegal 1.8 percent, and 10.5 percent from the CPA review courses.

For the third quarter of 1990 revenues were $14,587,000 compared to $11,809,000, an increase of 23.5 percent. Net income was $1,617,000, equal to 23 cents a share, against $1,536,000, or 23 cents a share a year before, or an increase of 5.3 percent. The average number of shares was 6,977,524, up from 6,772,455.

In the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $34,066,000 against $30,134,000, a year earlier, an increase of 13 percent. Net income amounted to $3,475,000, equal to 50 cents a share on 6,978,487 average shares outstanding, compared to $3,466,000 or 53 cents a share on 6,577,877 average shares a year earlier.

Enrollments in the 21 resident training schools were down slightly for the nine months of 1990 compared to the like period in 1989, primarily due to the continuing adverse publicity affecting the entire vocational school industry.

This situation stems from the uncertainties relating to the changing conditions resulting from governmental concerns over student loan defaults. However, during periods of increasing and high unemployment, enrollments at the company's resident schools tend to increase.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Nationwide Health Properties Inc. (NYSE: NHP) declared a 49-cent-per-share dividend on its common stock, an increase of one cent over the previous quarterly dividend. The dividend will be paid to shareholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990, and paid on Dec. 7, 1990.

"This fourth-quarter dividend reflects the company's policy of increasing its quarterly dividend by 1 cent per share, a policy that is expected to be continued during the upcoming year," said R. Bruce Andrews, president and chief executive officer.

Nationwide Health Properties is a real estate investment trust specializing in the ownership of health-care facilities.

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PITTSBURG, KAN (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - National Pizza Co. (PIZA) Monday announced record sales for its second fiscal quarter.

For the fiscal quarter ended Sept. 25, 1990, net revenues of $69,142,000 increased 62 percent over the $42,673,000 reported for the similar period ended Sept. 26, 1989.

Sales in comparable Pizza Hut units increased almost 10 percent while per restaurant averages declined 2 percent in the Skipper's restaurants.

Operating income for the period ended Sept. 25, 1990 of $7,369,000 increased 20 percent over the similar prior year period.

Net income for the fiscal quarter of $3,859,000 was up 5 percent over the

$3,676,000 reported in the similar fiscal 1990 quarter.

Earnings per share of 28 cents was up 8 percent compared to the 26 cents reported for the fiscal quarter ended Sept. 26, 1989.

Net revenues for the two fiscal periods ended Sept. 25, 1990 of $137,726,000 were up 68 percent over similar fiscal year 1990 results. Net income of $8,144,000, or 58 cents per share, was up 11 percent over the prior year periods.

Gene Bicknell, chief executive officer, stated, ''This quarter's earnings increase was less than anticipated due to higher income tax rates, development costs at Skipper's, and increased price promotion in the pizza segment.

''We remain confident that fiscal 1991 will be another year of record earnings but the percentage increase may be reduced by the effects of a higher tax rate, pizza segment price promotion, and the costs of repositioning Skipper's.''

National Pizza is the largest Pizza Hut franchisee in the world and operates 360 Pizza Hut restaurants and delivery kitchens in 13 states. The company also operates and franchises 205 Skipper's quick-service seafood restaurants in 12 western states and British Columbia. The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol PIZA.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Eagle, Elite Microelectronics' debut product offers computer OEMs 8.3 MIPS (a) system performance with an upgrade path to higher speeds at a lower cost than previously available.

Elite was founded in 1989 to provide computer OEMs with application-specific standard products offering exceptional levels of integration, functionality and cost/performance.

The Eagle chip set is priced at $168 in quantities of 1,000. Samples, evaluation boards and production quantities are currently and immediately available.

The Eagle chip set consists of a 184-pin PQFP and 160-pin PQFP device. The two-piece chip set provides the core logic functions required by board and system manufacturers to more affordably build high speed (33 MHz) cache-based 386DX PC/ATs with a minimum chip count.

An entire system motherboard can be built with as few as 25 components including CPU, Eagle chip set, BIOS, keyboard controller, integrated peripheral controller and a few discrete TTI devices.

Eagle provides CPU bus control, DRAM control, and data conversion between the various buses as well as an integrated cache controller. Eagle's flexible architecture allows it to be used in either cache or non-cache systems with the same design.

Elite Microelectronics Inc. designs, develops and markets VLSI chip sets for industry standard computer systems. Its products are sold to computer original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) for incorporation in personal computers, intelligent terminals, workstations, instrumentation and other applications of standard computer architectures.

Elite is located at 711 Charcot Ave., San Jose, Calif. 95131. Phone: 408/943-0500, FAX: 408/943-0561. (a) Number based on Power Meter benchmark test

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - You say interconnecting your Local Area Networks (LAN) with private lines is putting your company in the poorhouse.

You say the ultrasound images you send over your existing computer network take so long you can read Gray's Anatomy waiting for one to appear. You say you've got chronic insomnia worrying that the new high-speed data communications equipment you ordered won't talk to hardware you've got in place.

Well, put the aspirin back in the bottle. Pacific Bell is stepping up its efforts toward a solution.

The telecommunications company announced Monday four new participants in its technology test of Switched Multimegabit Data Service (SMDS), bringing the economical high-speed, fiber-optic-based transmission service closer to reality.

Pacific Bell said that Apple Computer Inc., Tandem Computer Inc. both located in Cupertino, Calif.; Sun Microsystems Inc., Mountain View, Calif.; and Pacific Gas and Electric Co., San Francisco, will take part in a six-month

technology test of the proposed service.

The companies will join Stanford University, which was announced earlier as a participant.

Pacific Bell said that all five participants in the test, which is scheduled to begin in November, will be served out of its central switching office in San Ramon, 30 miles east of San Francisco, which is the first central office in the nation to be equipped for SMDS operation.

''The willingness of these companies to test SMDS for the first time provides a real-world evaluation of switched broadband technology,'' said Jerry Parrick general manager for Pacific Bell's Data Communications Group. ''These companies offer a wide variety of bandwidth-intensive applications, which we can use to validate SMDS.''

Parrick said that the potential applications for testing include medical imaging, multimedia conferencing, LAN interconnection, bulk file transfer and intercompany communications.

Pacific Bell is a subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, a diversified worldwide telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Crosspoint Solutions Inc., and Performance Semiconductor Corp. (Sunnyvale, Calif.) have signed a comprehensive agreement in which Performance will provide its advanced PACE III process and manufacturing services and serve as an alternate source for Crosspoint's new generation of high-performance, high-density field-programmable gate arrays (FPGAs).

PACE III technology is Performance Semiconductor's most advanced CMOS fabrication process, based on 0.75-micron drawn channel length (0.6-micron effective channel length for 5-volt applications). PACE III Technology is acknowledged in the industry to be the highest-performance CMOS logic process in production today.

The agreement covers integration of technology, manufacturing support and jont development. Initially, Crosspoint will integrate its proprietary interconnect technology into Performance Semiconductor's standard PACE III manufacturing flow. In the long term, the two companies will jointly develop extensions to the current product line as well as a new generation of high-performance FPGAs.

Crosspoint Solutions Inc., completed first-round financing of $6 million in June 1990. The company subsequently moved into a new 15,000-square-foot facility in Santa Clara.

Crosspoint Solutions Inc., is a semiconductor company formed in 1990 to exploit a unique approach to field-programmability in gate-array logic devices. The company's technology has significant competitive advantages over other field-programmable logic implementations.

A proprietary cell and routing architecture, coupled with a unique interconnect technology, enable Crosspoint to meet the performance and density demands of the mainstream CMOS gate array market. For more information, contact Vacit Arat, director of sales and marketing, Crosspoint Solutions Inc. 5000 Old Ironsides Drive, Santa Clara 95054; telephone 408/988-1584.

Performance Semiconductor Corp. designs, maufactures and markets a broad range of products for the commercial and military markets, including high-end microprocessors, very fast static memories and logic. The company's primary product focus is currently on a 32-bit RISC processor family that executes the MIPS instruction set, a 16-bit processor family that executes the DOD MIL-STD-1750A instruction set, a coherent high-speed family of logic products, and a family of ultra-fast 64K-bit and 256K-bit static memories of x 1, x 4 and x 8 organizations.

The company manufactures its products in its own state-of-the-art Class 1,6-inch wafer fabrication facility, using a single CMOS process with two-level metalization which achieves an effective channel length as short as 0.4 micron (for 3.3-volt applications). For more information, contact Dr. Thomas Longo, president and chief executive officer, Performance Semiconductor Corp., 610 E. Weddell Drive, Sunnyvale, Calif. 94089; telephone 408/734-8200.

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ANCHORAGE, AK (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The Alaska Housing Finance Corp. (AHFC) posted a $34.3 million profit for fiscal year 1990, Chief Executive Officer Thomas Behan reported Monday.

This year's profit represents the best performance by the corporation in the last four years. AHFC last reported a profit in fiscal year '87 at $20.9 million. The last time a profit exceeded this year's was in FY '86 when the corporation posted a $41.8 million profit.

Last fiscal year AHFC reported a loss of $124 million. The loss was the result of increasing AHFC loan loss reserves by $113 million, based on estimated foreclosure expense projections for the succeeding five years.

This year's profit is due to a strengthening real estate market as well as sound financial management of the corporation, Behan said.

With regard to financial management, during FY '90 AHFC decreased expenses relating to foreclosed properties and increased sales of foreclosed properties. Also, new investment policies and bond refundings contributed to the net profit.

The AHFC profit and other leading housing indicators continue to suggest that Alaska's housing recession was over at the end of the 1980s, as Behan has predicted.

The past due rate on AHFC loans dipped to 6.23 percent in August, the most recent figure available. That was down from 6.49 percent in in July and 9.56 percent a year ago.

Foreclosures also continue to slow. In August, AHFC foreclosed on only 104 loans, down from 128 in July and 228 a year ago.

AHFC continues to sell homes at a high rate. In August, AHFC sold 199 homes. Alaskan Home Properties, AHFC's home sales division, has been averaging sales of 250 per month for the past six months.

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RICHARDSON, TX (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Computer Automation Inc. Monday reported net income of $216,000, or 8 cents a share, for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were $3,109,000. In the first quarter of fiscal 1990, as restated, the company incurred a loss of $620,000, or 26 cents per share, on revenue of $3,681,000. Results for fiscal 1991 and 1990 include the automatic test equipment activity, which was shown as discontinued operation when presented in the prior year.

George Pratt, the company's chairman and chief executive officer, noted that while revenues declined some 15 percent from the year-earlier quarter, gross margins improved and expenses related to selling, engineering and

administration were sharply reduced. Consequently, the company recorded a profit for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

Pratt said that the improved operating results have begun to alleviate the cash flow problems that have severely hampered the company for the past two years. He cautioned, however, that it was essential for the company to increase its revenues in order to achieve a consistent profit.

William L. Osmundsen, the company's president and chief operating officer also noted that the company's ability to announce its first operating profit since fiscal 1989's third quarter was the result of the effort and diligence of the company's employees and their ability to institute the plans made in April 1990 to return the company to profitability.

During the first quarter, Osmundsen stated, the company's focus on its existing automatic test equipment and traditional OEM products generated approximately $4.5 million in orders, most of which will ship during the current fiscal year. However, he noted, the company still must succeed in developing revenues from its Q/Fax and TUFF products in order to achieve a successful year.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Adobe Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ADBE) Monday announced that Texas Instrument Inc.'s new microLaser XL family of desktop page printers will provide high-volume PostScript language printing at a new low price point, setting a new standard for affordable PostScript printing in a departmental page printer.

Three microLaser XL models are offered, all rated at 16 ppm print speed and an average 25,000 pages per month. The microLaser XL PS17, priced at $3,999 provides 1.5MB memory and features Adobe's PostScript interpreter and software for 17 scalable PostScript language fonts. The similarly configured microLaser XL PS35, priced at $4,499, provides software for 35 scalable PostScript fonts.

The lowest-priced model, the $3,449 microLaser XL, offers .5MB memory and HP LaserJet II emulation. It can be upgraded with a new board, 1MB memory and PostScript software, at a cost of $550 for 17 PostScript language typefaces or $1,050 for 35 PostScript language typefaces.

''We are very pleased to have PostScript print quality available in high-volume printers at these very affordable prices,'' said Dr. Charles Geschke, president and chief operating officer, Adobe Systems. ''We believe

this will encourage more companies to avail themselves of the best available print quality.''

The microLaser XL printers have a compact footprint, 15.8'' wide x 16.6'' deep x 10.8'' high. The standard 250-sheet input drawer tucks inside the printer to conserve desk space. Versatile paper handling options include letter, legal, half-letter, A4, B5, executive, transparencies, invoices and labels. An additional 500-sheet feeder and a 70-envelope feeder are optional.

Up to four printer configurations can be stored and selected via the interactive front panel or software command. A help key provides set-up assistance, and a 16-character liquid crystal display provides instructions in words rather than numerical codes.

A Centronics-type parallel interface is standard on all microLaser XL models. RS232, RS422, and AppleTalk interfaces are optional.

The microLaser XL models will be available in the United States in December and worldwide in January.

Adobe Systems Inc., founded in 1982 by Dr. John Warnock and Dr. Charles Geschke, is headquartered in Mountain View. Adobe is the developer of PostScript, the industry-standard page description language for electronic printing and publishing, and Display PostScript, a device-independent graphics software component for computer displays. In addition, the company develops and markets a line of application software products. Revenues for 1989 were over $120 million.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Fujitsu Systems of America Monday announced the completion of an automated route distribution system rollout with Channel Island Beverage Group, a major Pepsi-Cola distributor.

The system, Fujitsu's System29, consists of handheld computers, printers and communications interface units as well as beverage route distribution software.

''Channel Island's goal is to maximize customer support by providing service and deliveries 24 hours a day,'' said Robert Fredella, Channel Island's director of management information systems. ''To accomplish this, our strategy was to automate our entire route distribution system. We have upgraded our

existing systems and fully integrated our route distribution operation with our mainframe and PC networks.

System29 is based on a compact, lightweight, handheld computer. It also includes printers and a communications interface unit that allows communication directly to a mainframe computer.

The system is designed for use in particularly harsh route distribution environments. Examples of this ruggedized design include its fully sealed casing and optical connector. The completely sealed unit prevents liquids, dirt and dust from contaminating the interior of the handheld computer. The optical connector, used to link the handheld computer to printers, communications devices and battery rechargers, lasts significantly longer than other pin-type connectors.

Salespeople enter orders during their daily routes and immediately provide customers with an invoice from the system's printer. Printers are available in two configurations, either truck-mounted or a portable model that is housed in a briefcase.

Channel Island Beverage Group has franchises in San Diego as well as Ventura and Bakersfield. Formed in 1953 by Bud Lindsey, today it provides services to over 15,000 accounts under the leadership of his son Jim.

Fujitsu Systems of America Inc. is one of the Fujitsu Ltd. family of companies. A global leader in computer and telecommunications technology, Fujitsu Ltd. has annual revenues of more than $16 billion. In addition to handheld computers, the company designs, develops and markets point-of-sale (POS) systems and scanners for the retail market and automated teller machines (ATMs) for the financial services industry.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The beryllium industry Monday announced it was sponsoring a program of research on the cause and prevention of chronic beryllium disease.

The project will be funded by a million dollar contribution from Brush Wellman Inc. of Cleveland, and NGK Metals Corp. of Reading, Pa., the two largest producers. ''We hope other firms will follow suit and assist us in the funding of this worthy endeavor,'' said Robert Rozek, Vice President of Brush

Wellman. Yasuhito Niwa, vice president, NGK added, ''Several Government agencies are now either funding research or are interested and we are trying to coordinate our efforts to maximize the benefits to be derived.''

An advisory committee, consisting of prominent members of the medical and scientific community and chaired by Dr. Merril Eisenbud, has been assembled by the industry to solicit and evaluate proposals for carrying out the program's objectives. The Beryllium Research Advisory Committee held its first meeting recently in Washington, D.C. at which medical researchers from Europe, Asia and the United States reviewed the current state of knowledge of beryllium disease.

Chronic Beryllium Disease is an allergic response to inhalation of beryllium dust that affects only a small percentage of the workers but does cause a serious lung impairment in those individuals who are susceptible.

''If we could identify in advance those people who will become sensitized we could screen them out before exposure,'' Dr. Thomas Markham, Medical Director of Brush Wellman stated. ''Other possibilities might be to learn how to desensitize individuals before they become ill or to develop a cure for the disease itself.''

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - UtiliCorp United (NYSE:UCU) announced Monday that third quarter net income and primary earnings per common share declined compared with the 1989 period.

UtiliCorp remains on target, however, to achieve record financial results for 1990.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, UtiliCorp reported net income of $10.1 million, compared to $11.3 million in the 1989 period and primary earnings per share of 35 cents, compared with 45 cents in last year's quarter. Operating revenues were $147 million, versus $140 million in the prior third period.

Average common shares outstanding increased from 20.8 million in last year's third quarter to 23.6 million in this year's period. The increase is primarily due to a public offering of 2 million new shares in December 1989.

For the nine-month period this year, net income was $37.9 million and earnings per share were $1.37, compared to net income of $34.4 million and earnings per share of $1.48 in the same period last year. Operating revenues for the first

nine months of this year were $574 million, vs. $495 million in last year's nine-month period.

Utilicorp Chairman and President Richard C. Green Jr. attributed the decline in third quarter results to the need for electric rate relief at the company's Missouri Public Service division. However, a record year still is anticipated in part because of the favorable resolution of separate electric and gas rate increase requests at Missouri Public Service.

Significantly higher earnings contributions from the company's PSI subsidiary and a full year of contributions from UtiliCorp's Michigan Gas Utilities division also should help achieve the record, Green said. Michigan Gas Utilities was acquired in May 1989.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides electric and gas service to 820,000 customers located in eight states and in British Columbia.

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CUPERTINO, CA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer has created the Customer Assistance Center, a new toll-free customer relations telephone line.

The Customer Assistance Center opens Monday and will be available Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pacific time by dialing 1-800-776-2333. All Apple customers are eligible to use the service.

The new toll-free line is not designed to be a technical support hotline, but instead is an extension to the comprehensive Apple customer relations effort. The Customer Assistance Center is a backup system to the many existing forms of customer support and service already available from Apple resellers and others.

In the U.S., Apple sells and provides support through a network of authorized Apple dealers, higher education sales consultants, on-campus support centers, user groups, systems integrators and consultants.

''Apple doesn't want to circumvent the reseller relationship with the customer '' said Jackie Whiting, Apple Assistance Center manager. The Customer Assistance Center can answer questions about Apple sales programs and policies. Owners of Apple products should call the Customer Assistance Center when they believe their problems or concerns are not being adequately addressed by Apple resellers or by regularly designated support or service providers.

When customers call the toll-free number to discuss a sales or support concern

they should be prepared to provide basic information including a description of the problem, a list of products being used, support sources previously contacted and the outcome of the contact.

The Customer Assistance Center includes individuals with Apple product knowledge and diverse business and computer experience. This team is backed by a state-of-the-art call tracking system which will ultimately drive a report system designed to give Apple resellers fast, detailed feedback on customer concerns.

Apple Computer Inc., founded in 1977 and headquartered in Cupertino, designed and manufactures a broad line of personal computing products. It has sold more than 7 million personal computers, more than 2 million printers and hundreds of thousands of networks.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Hotel Investors Trust, a real estate investment trust and Hotel Investors Corp., a hotel management company, whose shares are paired and trade together (NYSE:HOT), Monday announced that special meetings of the Trust's shareholders and the Corporation's stockholders to approve the sale of 27 hotels to Park Plaza Inc. for $152.2 million will be held on Dec. 20, 1990, in San Diego, Calif.

Hotel Investors also announced that the record date for the special meetings would be Nov. 14, 1990.

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SANTA ANA, CALIF. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. Monday announced expansion of its hardware maintenance services to include Sun Microsystems' products: Sun II, Sun III, Sun IV and Sun 386i workstations and file servers.

Expansion of service on the Sun Microsystems product line affords Novadyne entry into the workstation and file server environment on a commercial basis and offers users a far broader, single-source service opportunity.

Sun Microsystems Inc., with headquarters in Mountain View, Calif., is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX(R) operating system and productivity software.

For the past several years Novadyne has built effective nationwide capabilities in repair, logistics, distribution and engineering in order to service Sun products for several of its largest customers.

In addition to standard maintenance coverage hours, extended coverage, including seven days per week, 24-hours/day year-round coverage and depot repair is offered on Sun Microsystems products. Annual maintenance contracts will be sold by the Novadyne third party sales force.

''One of the major reasons we made the decision to add the Sun products to our service package is the existing capabilities...we already have the machinery in place to deliver the service and now can leverage our single point service capabilities in the marketplace,'' said Novadyne Chief Executive Officer Bert Novak.

Also included in the service offering is Sun operating system support which includes telephone operating system support, assistance in configuring the operating system for installation and software problems resolution, quickly and expertly.

Since 1967, Novadyne Computer Systems has grown into one of the largest independent field service organizations in the nation with 1000 professionals in over 125 locations.

Novadyne products and services are marketed nationwide to companies in all facets of commerce including aerospace, retailing, transportation, distribution, communications, health care, educational organizations and federal and local government agencies. Revenues in 1989 exceeded $100 million.

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FEDERAL WAY, WA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Nuclear Systems Inc. announced Monday that its subsidiary, Pacific Nuclear Fuel Services Inc. (PNFS), has been awarded a contract extension by Duke Power Co. for additional storage components for spent nuclear fuel.

The company anticipates that the gross proceeds from this contract will be approximately $3 million. The components will be manufactured and delivered

to Duke Power Co.'s Oconee Nuclear Station near Seneca, S.C., over approximately the next 24 months.

The spent fuel storage system at the Oconee Nuclear Station was designed by Pacific Nuclear Fuel Services and Duke Power, employing Pacific Nuclear's patented NUHOMS technology. The facility became operational in July 1990.

Pacific Nuclear Systems Inc., and its subsidiary companies (Nutech Inc.; NuPac Services Inc.; Nuclear Packaging Inc.; PN Services Inc.; and Alaron Corp.) provide a wide range of services to the nuclear industry. The company, founded in 1983 and headquartered in Federal Way, is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol PACN.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - AST Research Inc. has extended its Bravo family to introduce i486 power in a new, small footprint Bravo 486/25 desktop personal computer retailing at $3,995.

With a unique, highly integrated system design, the Bravo 486/25 is nearly twice as fast as 33-MHz 386 systems and out performs a Sun SparcStation, for thousands of dollars less.

AST's Bravo 486/25 is up to 38 percent faster than the Compaq SystemPro 386/33 for half the price. The system incorporates the 8K of integrated cache and numeric coprocessor of the i486 chip for powerful performance.

Utilizing advanced surface-mount technology and AST custom ASIC (Applied Specific Integrated Circuits) design, all components fit onto the motherboard for increased performance and reliability and reduced manufacturing costs. The Bravo family has one of the highest reliability ratings in the industry, according to Trader.

The integrated board includes the logic, microprocessor, up to 16-MB of memory expansion, Super VGA (800-by-600 pixel resolution), IDE (Integrated Drive Electronics) interface connector, Weitek coprocessor support, one parallel port, two serial ports, a mouse port and five full-size, 16-bit expansion slots.

The Bravo 486/25 is packaged in a new, small footprint chassis measuring 15.5 inches wide by 6.25 inches high by 16.0 inches deep. The front panel contains a power switch, reset button, speed indicator and chassis lock. Secured by three thumbscrews, the cover does not require special tools for removal.

The standard system includes 2MB of memory, AST MS-DOS 3.3, built-in password security and support for four drive bays.

Four models are available. Model 3V contains a 3.5-inch diskette drive and retails for $3,995. Model 5V contains a 5.25-inch diskette drive and is also priced at $3,995. With an 80-MB, IDE-hard drive and 3.5-inch diskette, Model 83V is listed at $4,725 and Model 203V, with a 200-MB, IDE-hard drive and 3.5-inch diskette drive, is listed at $5,365.

The Bravo 486/25 currently is available and has a one-year parts-and-labor warranty. In addition to reseller support, AST offers a toll-free technical support number and a 24-hour electronic bulletin board listing AST authorized service centers, technicals updates and product-related information. The toll-free telephone number is 800/727-1278. Support hours are Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. PST.

AST Research Inc. is a leading manufacturer of high-performance personal computers, enhancement and data communication products. AST's dual-brand product line, which features the Premium and Bravo families, allows users to choose from a full range of price and performance options. AST is represented in 89 countries and operates 27 subsidiaries and sales offices worldwide.

AST Research corporate headquarters are located at 16215 Alton Parkway, P.O. Box 19658, Irvine, CA 92713-9658. Telephone: 714/727-4141. Fax: 714/727-9355.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Adobe Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ADBE) Monday announced that the new Epson EPL-7500 laser printer will provide six page-per-minute PostScript language printing at a newly affordable price.

The Epson EPL-7500, priced at under $3,500, features Adobe's PostScript interpreter and software for 35 scalable PostScript fonts. The EPL-7500 controller board employs a Weitek reduced instruction set computing (RISC) processor for faster print processing than is normal in its price range. It provides 2MB RAM standard, expandable to 6MB. Parallel, serial and Appletalk interfaces enable the EPL-7500 to work effectively in either Apple Macintosh or IBM PC environments.

''It is gratifying to have the quality of PostScript language printing available to a broad spectrum of users with the excellent price and performace value of these Epson printers,'' said Dr. Charles Geschke, president and chief

operating officer, Adobe Systems.

Another printer model, the EPL-7000, can be upgraded to include PostScript printing capabilities comparable to that of the EPL-7500. Priced under $1,400, the EPL-7000 offers 512KB RAM standard. RAM may be increased to 2MB by adding inexpensive RAM chips, and up to 6MB by combining chips and cards. The unit can be upgraded by replacing its controller with the RISC controller board.

Both new models offer industry-standard HP printer emulation, two card slots for additional emulations and fonts, standard 250-sheet paper tray and optional second tray.

The new Epson printers will be shown in Epson's booth No. 1178/East Hall at the Fall Comdex trade show, Nov. 12-16 in Las Vegas. They will be available from Epson resellers in January 1991.

Adobe Systems Inc., founded in 1982, by Dr. John Warnock and Dr. Charles Geschke, is headquarted in Mountain View. Adobe is the developer of PostScript, the industry-standard page description language for electronic printing and publishing, and Display PostScript, a device-independent graphics software component for computer displays.

In addition, the company develops and markets a line of application software products. Revenues for 1989 were over $120 million.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - EFI Electronics Corp. (NASDAQ:EFIC) Monday announced record financial results for the fiscal second quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990.

For the three months just ended, net income reached $313,379, or 10 cents per share, on revenues of $3.04 million compared to net income of $183,257, or 6 cents per share, on revenues of $2.24 million for the same period a year ago. This represents a 35 percent increase in revenues, a 71 percent rise in net income and a 74 percent boost in earnings per share.

For the six months, net income reached $581,255, or 18 cents per share, on revenues of $5.72 million compared to net income of $570,468, or 18 cents per share, on revenues of $4.95 million for the same six-month period last year.

EFI continues to be recognized as a leader in surge suppression and is strongly positioned to capitalize on new opportunities in the $1.2 billion power conditioning industry.

Founded in 1979, EFI Electronics Corp. is a leading marketer and manufacturer in the power conditioning industry in North America. The company's products are designed to protect computer, telecommunications and microprocessor-based medical and industrial equipment in a wide range of applications.

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RENO, NEV. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - O'Hara Resources Ltd. of Reno, Nev., confirms its acquisition, through its wholly owned subsidiary, O'Hara Resources (Ghana) Ltd., of a 75 percent increase in a substantial diamond and gold concession in the Republic of Ghana in Western Africa.

The concession is approximately thirty square miles in size and presently has three mining production licenses authorized by the Ghanian government. A feasibility study prepared by Sofreaines of France (an internationally respected mining consultant) indicates one carat of diamonds per cubic meter.

O'Hara has recently shipped 500 tons of equipment for erecting three washing plants on our concessions. The company has arranged the working capital necessary for production startup. The initial production will be 500 cubic meters per hour. The diamond product generally reflects an 80 percent industrial to 20 percent gemstone ratio, with a going price in the $15.00 per carat range.

Production costs are not expected to exceed $2.50 per cubic meter.

The company's vice president of exploration, who has been familiar with the property for more than five years, is now the company's resident representative in Ghana. He is a professional geophysicist, geologist, and registered engineer, holding degrees in his profession from four major universities, and is a well-known consultant throughout the Republic of Ghana.

He has assured management that, assuming arrival of the mining and production equipment by Nov. 20, 1990, production from the project will commence during December 1990.

While the initial placer production facilities are being readied for operation

at the site, company representatives have selected additional areas for mining by dredge. The company is negotiating the purchase of a dredge, tugboat and barge for housing the recovery plant.

The anticipated property for the dredge is estimated to run at three carats per cubic meter which would greatly enhance the total production. This dredge and ancillary equipment would increase our production by approximately 500 cubic meters per hour.

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Everex Systems Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:EVRX) Monday announced the Everex Tempo LX, a full-featured 386SX-based notebook computer with a retail price of $3,899.

Offering all of the power and capabilities of heavier 386SX-based laptop computers, the Tempo LX weighs 6.9 pounds with battery and fits into a standard-size briefcase.

Measuring 2 inches by 10 inches by 12 inches, the Tempo LX is small enough to carry comfortably while traveling and includes a padded, nylon carrying case to hold both the system and its accessories.

The Tempo LX is powered by a rechargeable NiCAD battery and features automatic and manual power management controls to extend battery charge.

The Tempo LX will also run off AC power through the universal voltage AC adapter/recharger included with the system. In recharging mode, the adapter is capable of fully recharging a completely discharged battery in less than an hour, the fastest recharge time available on any laptop.

Equipped with a twisted backlit CFL liquid crystal display, the Tempo LX fetures a non-glare VGA screen designed to reduce eye strain and enhance visibility in adverse lighting.

In addition to the Tempo LX, Everex Systems also manufactures a complete line of Tempo desktop personal computers. Offering quality systems at affordable prices, the Tempo line includes the Tempo 286/12, Tempo 286/16, Tempo 386SX/16 Tempo 386/20 and Tempo 386/25.

For further information regarding Tempo products please contact a sales representative at 800/821-0806.

Everex Systems Inc., with headquarters in Fremont, designs, manufactures and

supports a complete family of industry-standard personal computers and peripherals. Everex products are distributed through a worldwide dealer and VAR network.

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MILPITAS, Calif. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Diasonics Inc. (ASE:DIA) Monday announced sales and earnings for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the three month period totaled $14.4 million, or 23 cents per share, compared with a loss of $5.9 million, or 8 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989. Net sales for the third quarter were $61.7 million, up 33 percent from $46.4 million in 1989.

Income from continuing operations for the third quarter totaled $3.0 million, or 5 cents per share, on 64 million shares in 1990, and $1.2 million, or 2 cents per share, on 74 million shares in 1989. The decrease in the number of shares reflects the repurchase of a total of 14.5 million shares to date under a previously announced repurchase program.

Income from discontinued operations was $11.4 million, or 18 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990. This reflects a final settlement related to the sale of the Magnetic Resonance Imaging Division to Toshiba.

In commenting on these results, Rod Young, Diasonics' president, said, ''The strong financial performance of our X-Ray and European businesses offset flat sales in our domestic ultrasound business.''

''Continued delays in obtaining FDA approval for the Therasonic Lithotripsy System also hurt third quarter results,'' Young noted.

''In September, we initiated shipments of an enhanced version of our Spectra Ultrasound system which incorporated significant improvements in color flow imaging,'' Young continued.

''In addition, we have taken several steps to reduce the expense level of the domestic ultrasound business, including staff and overhead reductions; and we are in the process of further restructuring our Lithotripsy business to lower our breakeven level.''

During the quarter, production and shipments of our new UroView 2000 urology system increased significantly and we also began initial shipments of the FASTable, Fixed Angiographic Surgical Table.

In August, the company entered into a $7 million product development program with PaineWebber R & D Partners. The program will fund development and commercialization of an ultrasound therapeutic device to treat benign prostatic hyperplasia, a condition which afflicts more than half of all males over 60 years of age.

''We entered our fourth quarter in good financial condition, with cash and cash investments of $71 million as of Sept. 30, 1990. The outlook for the quarter is for continuing strong performance in our X-Ray and European businesses and improving results in our Ultrasound and Lithotripsy operations '' Young concluded.

Diasonics Inc. develops, manufactures and markets ultrasound and X-Ray based systems for diagnostic and therapeutic applications. Diasonics is headquartered in Milpitas.

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INT'L TOTALIZATOR SYSTEMS REPORTS NET LOSS OF $864,000 FOR THIRD QUARTER

CARLSBAD, CALIF. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - International Totalizator Systems Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ITSI) recorded for the quarter ended Sept. 30 a net loss of $864,000, or (9 cents) per share, on $4.3 million in revenue, compared with the third quarter 1989 with net income of $1.2 million, or 15 cents per share, on revenues of $10.1 million.

The company attributes the loss to its lowest quarterly revenues since the fourth quarter of 1986 combined with higher contract and research and development costs and cost variances for initial production of the airline ticketing (ATB) printer.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $21.9 million vs. $24.4 million recorded for the like period in 1989. Year-to-date net income amounted to $832,000, or 9 cents per share, compared with $2.3 million of income, or 28 cents per share, recorded for that period in 1989.

The earnings decline of $1.4 million was heavily influenced by the $1.1 million increase in research and development expenditures releated to the ATB printer and next generation wagering terminals.

As Chief Financial Officer Ken Hoitt forecasted in a prior release, a loss is anticipated for the fourth quarter ending Dec. 31 as well. Hoitt sees weakness in that quarter reflecting low revenues due to the fact that a significant portion of current backlog is not scheduled to be filled until 1991. However

at this point, Hoitt expects ITS to end the fiscal year 1990 profitably.

The company has met some meaningful objectives so far this year: ATB production, acquisition of McKinnie & Associates and development of next-generation wagering products. And the company continues to increase its sales efforts in the United States and Europe to accelerate growth of its travel, wagering and lottery business.

Financially, ITS has significantly improved its balance sheet by virtually eliminating long-term debt, a very important factor given the current economic environment. In addition, a current ratio of 2.75 to 1, and a $4 million unused credit line are quite adequate for short-term and intermediate-term needs. Backlog at Sept. 30 totaled $20 million.

ITS is an international leader in customized ticketing systems for computerized parimutuel wagering, lotteries and travel industry products. McKinnie & Associates, a wholly owned subsidiary, markets a proprietary management information systems for parimutuel wagering, lotteries and sporting and entertainment facilities.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - MacroMind Inc., the leading developer of multimedia software, Monday announced that Tim Mott is its new president, chief executive officer and chairman.

Mott assumes full responsibility for MacroMind's strategic direction and day-to-day operations. John Scull, president since 1988, will be leaving after a transitional period to pursue a long-standing personal interest in multimedia content publishing.

Mott, 41, retired from Electronic Arts earlier this year. A co-founder of Electronic Arts, he continues to serve on its board of directors. During his tenure there, Mott was managing director of Electronic Arts, Europe; senior vice president of U.S. publishing operations; and vice president of product development.

Prior to starting Electronic Arts in 1982, Mott spent eight years at Xerox Corp. in various senior management and research positions, including four years with Xerox PARC.

''I've known Tim for some time now, and he has my complete vote of confidence '' said John Scull. ''His proven track record in management and his experience with a broad range of media technologies and businesses makes him

the ideal person to lead MacroMind forward.''

A privately held company, MacroMind Inc. was founded in 1984. Its flagship product, the award-winning MacroMind Director, is the de facto standard for multimedia presentations and production. MacroMind's multimedia systems technology has been licensed by industry leaders, including Microsoft and Fujitsu.

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REDWOOD CITY, CALIF (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Precision Image Monday announced the availability of its DECnet Interface, IF-DENET, for their complete line of electrostatic plotters.

This is the only DECnet interface developed for a wide format electrostatic plotter.

Under the Digital Network Architecture, DECnet interfacing allows the plotter to operate as an end node on the IEEE 802.3 network and to poll up to 16 workstation or file server nodes for a plot file. When a plot file is detected, the plotter automatically initiates a file transfer and begins the plotting process.

Priority among the defined workstation nodes can be established by assigning a polling interval for each node. This assures that the highest priority node has the greatest access to the plotting resource and gives direct access to other workstations, thus minimizing traffic on the network.

Precision Image manufactures a full line of color and monochrome electrostatic plotters and recently introduced a monochrome thermal plotter. CAD/CAM, architecture, mapping, and engineering are markets Precision Image has targeted since 1985.

DECnet, together with TCP/IP, expands Precision Image's networking options, giving users total flexibility within their Local Area Networks. Priced at $3,800, IF-DENET is available for shipment and can be purchased directly from Precision Image.

Precision Image D- and E-size electrostatic plotters are well-known for their use of proprietary drum-based technology to eliminate the media shrinkage, stretching, and poor color registration normally associated with roll-fed web

plotters. The material is held tightly in place on the drum by a vacuum seal, preventing the shrinking and stretching caused by humidity and tension changes.

Founded in 1985, Precision Image has headquarters in Redwood City. The company has a broad installed base of customers in the United States, Canada, Europe and the Pacific Rim. Precision Image maintains sales and service offices worldwide.

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RICHLAND, WASH (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The Fast Flux Test Facility at Hanford completed a four-month successful operating cycle at 2 p.m. Sunday with an ongoing world-record achievement -- its fuel.

Two of the FFTF's advanced fuel assemblies have achieved a level of burnup more than four times greater than commercial nuclear power plants, said Plant Manager Dan Swaim of Westinghouse Hanford Co.

''This means we're demonstrating a fuel design that's ideal for the future, one that can extract far more useful energy from a given amount of fuel,'' he added. The latest achievements also surpass previous fuel records established at FFTF as well as performance at other liquid-metal-cooled nuclear power plants in the world.

''In straightforward terms, each pound of this nuclear fuel -- about one cubic inch -- has produced the energy equivalent of 1,450 barrels of crude oil,'' Swaim reported.

The performance records are being chalked up by two advanced oxide fuel assemblies which have been undergoing FFTF irradiation since 1985. The full-size assemblies have achieved approximately 210 megawatt days of energy produced for each kilogram of fuel material, a level comparable to nearly four years of steady full-power operation. Most commercial nuclear fuel must be replaced after a year, having produced 40-50 megawatt days of energy per kilogram of fuel.

As the FFTF plant begins its scheduled maintenance and refueling outage, the two assemblies remain in the reactor to continue irradiation exposure for up to another year. Westinghouse Hanford scientists and engineers predict the total fuel lifetime will prove to be the equivalent of five years of steady power operation before replacement.

Westinghouse Hanford Co. operates FFTF for the Department of Energy.

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LYNNWOOD, Wash. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Carver Corp. (NASDAQ:CAVR), manufacturer of high-quality audio components, Monday reported sales increased 30 percent to $7,797,000 during the third quarter of 1990 over the same period a year ago.

''Our continuing overhead reduction program, begun in January of this year, has reduced our operating loss from $1,091,000 on sales of $6,019,000 for the third quarter of 1989, to operating income of $302,000 on sales of $7,797,000 for the same period of 1990,'' said Robert W. Carver president and chief executive officer. ''As we aggressively continue our cost reduction programs and enter the Christmas buying season, we are optimistic that our momentum will continue to grow.''

Mr. Carver also announced the election of Stephen Shelton to the board of directors and the resignation of Leonard Tweten from the board.

The company reported net earnings of $151,000, or 4 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990, compared to a net loss of $581,000, or 16 cents per share, during the same period last year.

Carver designs, develops, manufactures and markets high-fidelity audio components which are known for their superior sound reproduction.

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APPLETON, WI (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Valley Bancorpation (NASDAQ:VYBN) Monday announced that it has reorganized its bank management structure into four geographical regions to enhance market and management focus.

Valley is also creating a service corporation to achieve expense control by consolidating bank backroom operations to include item processing, operations and accounting.

Valley's 116 Wisconsin banking locations have been placed into four major market regions. The two northern regions, which make up the North Division, cover markets which include Appleton, Green Bay, Eau Claire and LaCrosse. The two southern regions, which make up the South Division, cover markets which include Madison, Milwaukee and south central Wisconsin.

Peter M. Platten III, president and chief executive officer of Valley

Bancorporation, stated: ''This reorganization lodges responsibility for regions under the leadership and direction of Richard H. Jones, John F. Mack, John W. Johnson and Rowland J. McClellan, all senior vice presidents of Valley Bancorporation.

As part of the reorganization, Valley is implementing a service corporation concept where all day-to-day bank operational activities, including data processing, will be managed centrally and performed at three regional centers. Relieved of various backroom operational responsibilities, banks will have the opportunity to focus more on business development and customer sales and service.

Sal Troia has been appointed president of Valley Service Corp. Troia's most recent position was senior vice president/chief financial officer with Valley Bank, Madison.

Platten feels Valley's reorganization will improve sales and service levels and provide significant cost savings and operating efficiencies to support Valley's continued growth in the 1990s.

Simultaneous with the management and operational reorganization, work will continue on implementing Valley's new systemwide data processing network called VISION. Once this state-of-the-art system is fully installed by late 1991, Valley's data processing will be handled in-house. Currently, outside processors handle approximately 35 percent of bank processing requirements.

Valley Bancorporation is the third-largest bank holding company with headquarters in Wisconsin. Valley, with assets of $3.3 billion, currently serves Wisconsin through 116 banking offices with additional financial-service companies engaged in leasing, insurance, data processing, trust service, brokerage and credit-card servicing.

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RICHARDSON, TEXAS (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Micrografx Inc. (NASDAQ:MGXI), a leading developer of graphics application software products for the Microsoft Windows environment, Monday reported net income for its second quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 298 percent to $1,017,000, or 21 cents per share, compared with net income of $255,000, or 7 cents per share, for the like period a year ago.

Revenues increased to a record $6,512,000 for the second quarter, a 50 percent increase over $4,344,000 in revenues for the three month period ended Sept. 30 1989.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991 net income increased 214 percent to $1,658,000, or 37 cents per share, from $527,000, or 14 cents per share, a year ago.

Revenues for the six month period were $11,907,000, up 44 percent over revenues of $8,261,000 for the like period a year ago.

The company's Sept. 30, 1990 balance sheet reflects $12.8 million in cash and investments and no long term debt, following the company's successful IPO which was completed in July.

''Our second quarter results reflect strong demand for our entire product line particularly our newest product for Windows 3.0, Charisma,'' according to Micrografx Chairman and Chief Executive Officer J. Paul Grayson.

''We are in the unique position of being both a pure Windows company and a graphics applications company, and both the Windows and graphics markets are growing faster than almost any other segment of the PC software industry.''

According to Paul Grayson: ''Sales of Micrografx Charisma have exceeded expectations as a number of major accounts standardize on our Windows applications.''

Charisma is a $495 presentation graphics product which combines data-driven charting with word charting, illustration and presentation features, providing all the features that most corporate graphics users need in a single easy-to-use package. ''We are seeing Charisma chosen as a standard by many firms as they adopt the Windows 3.0 environment,'' he said.

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CONCORD, CALIF (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - SBE Inc. (NASDAQ:SBEI), a publicly traded California corporation, announced that it will effect a 1-for-10 reverse stock split of its outstanding shares of common stock on Tuesday, Oct. 30.

As of the opening of business on Oct. 30, trading will take place on a post-split basis.

SBE designs, manufactures and markets high-performance standard and custom-designed communications products for OEMs and systems integrators. Products include high-speed communications controllers and 680x0-based single-board computers for VMEbus and Multibus I applications. SBE is publicly traded under the NASDAQ symbol SBEI.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - First Security Corp. (OTC/NASDAQ:FSCO) Monday announced the board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of 32 cents per share on its common stock, unchanged from the prior quarter.

The dividend will be payable on Dec. 3, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 16, 1990. The dividend is now equivalent to $1.28 per common share on an annual basis.

Directors also voted a semi-annual dividend on First Security Corp. Cumulative Convertible Series ''A'' preferred stock, payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 1, 1991.

First Security Corp. has previously reported year-to-date net income of $36.57 million, up $3.18 million or 9.5 percent from the like period of 1989. Nine-month net income per share was $2.53 on a fully-diluted basis, a gain of 7.7 percent compared with the $2.35 earned during the first three quarters of 1989.

First Security Corp. is the largest financial services organization headquartered in the Intermountain West. Founded in 1928, it is the oldest continuously operating multi-state bank holding company in the United States. First Security operates 181 full-service banking offices in Utah, Idaho, Oregon and Wyoming. Other subsidiaries include a leasing company, two insurance companies, an investment management firm and a discount brokerage.

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ALAMEDA, CA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Ingres Corp., maker of the INGRES relational database management system (RDBMS) Monday announced the availability of INGRES Tools for ULTRIX/SQL, its tool product suite for Digital Equipment Corp.'s ULTRIX/SQL RDBMS.

ULTRIX/SQL, based on Ingres' multiserver architecture, is the RDBMS designed for the ULTRIX operating system. It is bundled free with the ULTRIX operating system on all VAX-based and RISC-based Digital machines.

INGRES Tools for ULTRIX/SQL provides ULTRIX users with integrated tools they can use to query data as well as create tables and 3GL and 4GL applications.

ULTRIX/SQL is intended for both production application and decision support requirements in multiuser, concurrent access, high-transaction volume, distributed environments.

It also includes technology, working with either TCP/IP or DECnet, which provides transparent network access to applications and tools across Digital's entire product line.

The availability of the INGRES Tools for ULTRIX/SQL family of products allows users to purchase any or all of five optional decision support and application development modules. These five modules are:

-- The standard INGRES User Interfaces (or front ends) module which includes INGRES Interactive SQL, INGRES/Menu, INGRES/TABLES, INGRES/QUERY, INGRES/REPORTS (which includes Report Writer and Report-By-Forms) and INGRES Visual-Forms-Editor;

-- INGRES/4GL Applications-By-Forms (ABF) to provide a complete menu-driven workbench for building applications;

-- INGRES/Visual-Graphics-Editor (VIGRAPH) to graphically represent query responses;

-- INGRES/PCLINK to enable PC users to access the host database through a visual menu-driven interface; and

-- 3GL embedded SQL preprocessors to embed SQL in the user's host language applications for accessing data in an INGRES database.

INGRES Tools for ULTRIX/SQL modules are inexpensive to deploy because there is a bundled, fully compatible database server on each ULTRIX/SQL system. This reduces costs for ULTRIX/SQL users deploying run-time applications.

Ingres Corp. is a world leader in quality information integration products and solutions for mission-critical applications. The company's primary product is the INGRES RDBMS. Installed on 11,000 manufacturing and enterprise-wide commercial systems worldwide, and available on 40 types of computers including PCs and UNIX workstations, the INGRES RDBMS enables organizations to quickly access data spanning a variety of computer systems connected in a network.

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REDONDO BEACH, CA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Daniel S. Goldin, vice president and general manager of the TRW Space & Technology Group (S&TG), has named Dr. George Gleghorn as vice president and chief engineer responsible for reviewing the flight readiness of all major TRW spacecraft and for providing management assessment of critical programs within the group.

Assuming the position of vice president of quality, which Gleghorn vacates, is Marshall W. Novick, who will be responsible for the quality of all operations and processes within S&TG.

Both Gleghorn and Novick were recently honored. Gleghorn was one of 80 engineers elected in February to the National Academy of Engineering. Novick was awarded the NASA Public Service Medal in June for his outstanding management of the TRW-built Tracking and Data Relay Satellite System (TDRSS).

During his 35 years at TRW, Gleghorn has played a key role in a wide range of TRW spacecraft, including Pioneer 10, the first spacecraft to leave the solar system; Pioneer 6, the oldest active interplanetary spacecraft, which will celebrate its 25th anniversary of operation in December; and Intelsat III, the first satellite to broadcast live television worldwide.

For the past two years, Novick has been vice president and TDRSS program manager in the group's Federal Systems Division. He directed all TRW activities leading to and including the successful launch and subsequent operation of TDRS-3 in 1988 and TDRS-4 in 1989. A TRW employee since 1963, Novick also served as program manager of the High Energy Astronomy Observatory (HEAO) spacecraft program.

The TRW Space & Technology Group specializes in the design and production of spacecraft, spacecraft systems, and instruments and technologies, lasers and propulsion systems. TRW-designed high-reliability spacecraft have clocked 400-plus spacecraft years of uninterrupted service.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxwell Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ:MXWL) Monday announced that the board of directors declared its second year-end cash dividend of 40 cents per share payable on Dec. 4 to shareholders of record on Nov. 5.

Maxwell has approximately 2.4 million shares outstanding. The board of directors intends to consider in the future the payment of year-end dividends depending on overall performance of the company and its cash requirements.

The company also reported that federal budget uncertainties have caused industry-wide delays in defense funding that will significantly reduce Maxwell's first-quarter earnings. The company believes that these delays are not expected to have as great an impact on its earnings for the rest of the year.

San Diego-based Maxwell Laboratories Inc. designs, develops and manufactures pulse power equipment and performs research and computer-based analysis for defense, energy, industrial and environmental markets.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Peter Baram, chairman and chief executive officer of Xytronyx Inc. (ASE:XYX), a San Diego-based biotechnology company, Monday announced Paul E. Price and John Kolbas have been elected to the board of directors of Xytronyx.

Baram said: ''We are pleased that both Mr. Price and Mr. Kolbas have been elected to our board of directors. Their extensive business experience is expected to greatly assist the company in its transition toward a growing and profitable commercial enterprise.''

Price is currently senior vice president, finance, chief financial officer, and a member of the executive committee of the board of directors for the Quaker Oats Co. Since joining the Quaker Oats Co. in 1972 as general manager, international, he has held various senior management positions in both domestic and international operations.

Prior to his career with the Quaker Oats Co., Price was with Colgate-Palmolive Co. with responsibility as managing director of several international business units. Price is a director of DeSoto Inc., EAC Industries and Fisher-Price Inc. He holds a bachelor of science degree from Northwestern University and a master of arts degree from the University of the Americas.

Kolbas retired in 1989 as president of Norwich Eaton Pharmaceuticals Inc. Previously, he was president of Morton Salt Co. and vice president, manufacturing, Norwich Eaton Pharmaceuticals. Prior to his career with Morton Salt Co., Kolbas held general management positions with Bristol Laboratories Co.

He holds a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Ohio State University. Kolbas currently serves on the board of directors of National Bank and Trust, NBT Bank Corp. and Home Nutritional Services Inc.

Xytronyx Inc. is engaged in the development and commercialization of products based on biotechnological research primarily in the areas of medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Kaypro Corp. Monday announced the appointment of two new directors to its top management team.

Deborah J. O'Keefe is the new director of human resources and Walter Ohm is the director of sales and marketing for the computer manufacturing company.

O'Keefe will oversee personnel policy development and implementation, and wage and salary administration. Prior to joining Kaypro, O'Keefe was president of Design Management Strategies Inc., a consulting firm based in Newport Beach. There she was involved with research, strategic planning, management and corporate training in the field of commercial real estate development.

Prior to forming Design Management Strategies, O'Keefe served as administrative officer to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), division of liquidation. There she developed and implemented an employee training program that is now used nationwide by bank liquidation specialists.

A resident of Vista, O'Keefe is a member of the National Association of Female Executives, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the New York Stock Exchange.

Ohm will be responsible for overseeing Kaypro's sales and marketing effort, with primary responsibility for revitalizing the retail computer dealer network. Formerly, he served for six years as sales manager for Kaypro, where he was responsible for worldwide sales and computer dealer relations. He also handled all phases of trade show marketing and supervision.

Ohm was awarded CME (Certified Manager of Exhibits) designation by the International Exhibitors Association in 1987. The same association awarded him the highest achievement in trade show marketing, a FOCUS Award, for a Kaypro exhibit in 1985. Ohm received his bachelor's degree from San Diego State University and is an active member of Meeting Planners International. He resides in Ramona with his wife and daughter.

With nearly four decades of experience in the high-tech/electronics industry, Kaypro is an internationally recognized brand name. Currently, Kaypro Corp. enjoys a user base of more than a half-million computer systems worldwide and markets a full line of microcomputers for businesses and individuals.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Key executive personnel changes, effective Nov. 1, were announced Monday by Pacific Telesis and two of its major subsidiaries, Pacific Bell and PacTel Corp.

Arun Sarin, 36, current vice president of corporate strategy for Pacific Telesis, will assume the new position of vice president and chief financial officer, controller and strategy for Pacific Bell, reporting to Philip J. Quigley, president.

Promoted to replace Sarin is Robert L. Barada, 46, assistant vice president, marketing strategy, Pacific Bell. Barada was scheduled on Jan. 1, 1991, to assume the title of vice president and general manager of customer services for the North Coast area of Pacific Bell, which encompasses Marin, Sonoma, Napa, Mendocino, Humboldt, Del Norte and parts of Solano counties.

Barada's replacement will be announced at a later date. Pacific Telesis Executive Changes

John A. Gueldner, 46, vice president of financial management at Pacific Bell, will report to Sarin and assume additional responsibilities as treasurer of the company.

Susan G. Swenson, 41, recently named Pacific Bell vice president and general manager of customer services for San Diego and Imperial counties effective Jan. 1, 1991, will succeed Jeff R. Hultman, 50, as president and chief operating officer of PacTel Cellular, now based in Irvine. The subsidiary will move its headquarters to San Francisco, where Swenson will report to C.L. Cox, group president of PacTel Companies. Swenson is currently vice president-customer services south, for Pacific Bell and has been based in Orange County. Swenson will be succeeded by Terry M. Mulready, 43, vice president of corporate communications and regulatory relations at Pacific Bell headquarters in San Francisco. She will not be replaced. Her subordinates will report to Gary W. McBee, executive vice president of external affairs for Pacific Bell.

Hultman has been named vice president of technology coordination for Pacific Bell, reporting to Lee Bauman, 45, who becomes vice president of network technology. He replaces Michael L. Bandler, 52, who has accepted a position with Raynet Corp., the manufacturer of fiber optic distribution equipment headquartered in Menlo Park, Calif. Bandler began his telephone industry career 29 years ago, the last eight years of which have been with Pacific Bell.

F. Craig Farrill, current vice president of network engineering for PacTel Cellular, will assume the new position of vice president, technology planning and development for PacTel Corporation reporting to Cox.

Kendall T. Murphy, who has served as Pacific Bell vice president of quality, in addition to his responsibilities as controller, will continue to manage the company's quality program. He will report to Quigley.

Sarin, who joined Pacific Telesis Group in 1984, has participated in the development and growth of the corporation's diversified business, specifically in the areas of mergers and acquisitions. He also served as Pacific Bell's area vice president - business market sales in Los Angeles.

Barada, a native of Los Angeles, began his telephone career in 1962 as a Pacific Bell messenger in Orange County. After holding several technical positions and completing his education leading to a law degree, he was named a Pacific Bell attorney in 1976. Most recently he headed a task force that developed a reorganization plan for Pacific Bell. Replacing Barada as assistant vice president, marketing strategy, will be Thomas D. Miller, currently Pacific Bell assistant vice president, quality, for customer services.

Pacific Telesis is a worldwide diversified telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

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CUPERTINO, CA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The Motorola Computer Group (MCG) Monday announced that its Commercial Systems Division (CSD) has been awarded a contract to provide the company's Delta Series 3000 super microcomputer systems and accompanying software and training to the State of Tennessee.

The contract spans five years and has a potential value of $55 million.

The award announcement is the culmination of a two-year-long competitive bid process that included Motorola, International Business Machines Corp. (IBM) and Digital Equipment Corp. In its invitation to bid (ITB), the state did not specify that vendors bid open or non-proprietary systems.

However, Motorola's proposal was the only finalist bid that relied on systems that incorporate industry standard, non-proprietary architectures and are based on the UNIX operating system.

The purpose behind the contract award was to establish a single vendor

standard for departmental-level computer systems for the state. Until now, this computing niche has been filled by incompatible systems from multiple vendors. With this contract, the state intends to standardize on Motorola's platforms.

Since this is a statewide contract, all state agencies, city and county governments and educational institutions can purchase systems from Motorola.

The agreement initially covers 12 months, with four options to renew, up to a maximum of 60 months. Under the terms of the agreement, Motorola will provide the state with up to $55 million in computer hardware, software, service and training. While the contract covers Motorola's Delta Series 3000 Model 3640 and 3840 computer families, other Motorola platforms may be considered in the future.

The contract is effective immediately. The State of Tennessee has already begun submitting orders for the Motorola equipment.

The Commercial Systems Division of the Motorola Computer Group, based in Cupertino, designs and manufactures multi-user business workstations, network computers and turnkey hardware/software solutions -- all based on ''open'' standards -- for commercial and government markets. These products are marketed to end users, value-added resellers, distributors and original equipment manufacturers.

Motorola is one of the world's leading providers of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets. Products include two-way radios, pagers, cellular telephone systems, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronics equipment, computers, data communications and information processing and handling equipment.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Focusing on their mutual goal of meeting Hewlett-Packard and Apollo users' needs, the International Association of HP Computer Users (INTEREX) and Apollo Domain User Society (ADUS) will hold their 1991 conferences concurrently in San Diego.

The decision resulted from a meeting attended by INTEREX and ADUS representatives during the October 1990 ADUS Conference in San Diego, according to Douglas A. Eltoft, the new ADUS president.

Carrying on a tradition begun when HP acquired Apollo, two INTEREX board members attended the ADUS meeting. The ''board member exchange'' program developed to ''build on mutual goals as much as possible,'' explained Eltoft.

With INTEREX represented by chairman Lloyd Davis and treasurer Loran Vanden Oever, the group agreed to hold concurrent conferences in San Diego next year. ''The two user groups are interested in working together,'' the ADUS president said.

Since the ADUS and INTEREX conferences will occur at the same time, users who are interested in workstations as well as other HP/Apollo product lines can view the state-of-the-art technology in both environments. In addition, attendees can save in both time used to attend the conference and money invested in traveling and accomodations.

Commenting on the plan to hold concurrent conferences, INTEREX board chairman Davis noted that the two boards ''have been sending representatives to each other's meetings for about a year, and it has worked very well. We hope to share what we do best, in a structure that would allow ADUS to maintain its own identity.''

INTEREX is the international association of HP computer users, serving more than 9,000 members in 62 countries. INTEREX provides its members with a valuable link to Hewlett-Packard and offers extensive contributed software libraries, publications, and conferences, which enable HP computers users to stay up to date on the industry's rapidly changing environment.

INTEREX's annual HP users conference has acquired an international reputation for excellence, attracting a worldwide audience of Hewlett-Packard executives, computer professionals, and users. Located in Sunnyvale, INTEREX has been serving the HP computer community for 15 years.

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LYNBROOK, NY (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - First Central Financial Corp. (ASE: FCC), achieved outstanding results in the three-month and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, chairman and president Martin J. Simon announced Monday.

The holding company, whose wholly owned subsidiary First Central Insurance Co.

writes property and casualty insurance, reported that written premiums for the third quarter of 1990 continued at record levels as they did in the year's second quarter.

For the third quarter of 1990, written premiums were $7,796,422 compared to $6,580,974 in the third quarter of 1989. Earned premiums were $6,313,538 compared to $5,014,449 in the comparable 1989 period. Net income for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, was $1,062,847, or 19 cents per share, compared to net income of $922,825, or 16 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989. The weighted average number of shares outstanding was 5,533,997 during the third quarter of 1990 compared to 5,825,472 in the comparable 1989 quarter.

First Central Financial Corp. also reported strong results for the nine months ended Sept. 30. Written premiums for the 1990 nine-month periods were $22,949,582 compared to $18,775,505 for the 1989 nine-month period. Earned premiums for the nine months ended Sept. 30, were $19,251,806 compared to $14,667,878 in the year-earlier nine-month period.

Net income for the 1990 nine-month period was $2,616,572, or 47 cents per share, compared to net income of $2,550,928, or 43 cents per share, in the 1989 nine-month period.

The weighted average number of shares outstanding in the nine months ended Sept. 30, was 5,603,603 compared to 5,964,330 in the comparable 1989 period.

Chairman Simon said, ''First Central Financial's strong performance is the result reinsurance costs, adherence to its strategic plan for profitability and growth, a cost containment program, and most of all, discipline in pursuit of the company's goals.''

First Central Financial Corp.'s insurance company is rated A (Excellent) by A.M. Best & Co. Inc., a leading insurance industry rating service, on the basis of the company's financial condition and operating performance.

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VANCOUVER, B.C. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp. (NASDAQ Symbol: CLCF; VSE Symbol: CLV), the registered holder of the trademark ''Clearly CanadianTM'', Monday announced that it has entered into a distribution agreement with Central Wholesale Liquor Co. headquartered in

Illinois.

Central Wholesale will handle product distribution for the states of Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia and North Carolina.

Although specific terms of the agreement were not disclosed, the company stated Central Wholesale has placed an initial order of 40,000 cases. The company anticipates that distribution in these states, which have an estimated population of 23 million, will be launched by Dec. 31.

Douglas L. Mason, President and Chief Executive Officer of Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp., stated, ''This agreement increases the U.S. distribution of 'Clearly CanadianTM' to a total of 35 states. The Company will be able to meet demand in these additional states by utilizing existing production capacity. In light of the product's success in neighboring states, we anticipate case sales of 1.5 million during the first 12 months of this arrangement.''

Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp. produces and markets ''Clearly CanadianTM'', a line of natural and flavored sparkling mineral waters. Through distribution agreements, ''Clearly CanadianTM'' is sold in 35 states, all of Canada, Japan and England.

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TALLAHASSEE, FL (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - MHI Group Inc. (MH/NYSE) announced today that it has completed a restructuring of the interest of a major investor, MH Associates, that is designed to permit access to additional sources of financing for MHI's acquisition program.

MH Associates, a private equity investment vehicle for the partners of the New York investment of Kellner, DeLeo, has agreed to exchange its subordinated notes and preferred stock in MHI, which together were convertible into 1,900,000 shares of MHI Common Stock, for a nonconvertible $2.1 million of MHI's 10 percent Subordinated Notes due 1996.

MH Associates will continue to hold its option to purchase 1.9 million shares of MHI Common Stock, which was originally granted in 1986. The expiration date of the option has been extended to April 22, 1996, and its exercise price reduced to $0.5625 per share.

As a result of the restructuring, three members of MHI's board of directors designated by MH Associates will resign from the board, leaving George Kellner as the sole MH Associates representative on the Board. The restructuring has also eliminated covenants restricting, among other things, MHI's ability to borrow and issue additional securities.

Fred O. Drake, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, commented, ''We view the restructuring as a very significant achievement. By stabilizing MH Associates' interest in our company, we have won the freedom to seek new, permanent equity investments and continue to pursue our corporate goal growth through carefully planned acquisitions in the funeral and cemetery industry.''

MHI Group, Inc. markets and sells pre-need and at-need funeral and cemetery services, including pre-arranged insurance.

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FREMONT, CALIF. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - VeloBind Inc. (NASDAQ:VBND), Monday announced sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $11,535,000, a record and an increase of 6 percent over sales of $10,858,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

Sales of $33,181,000 for the first nine months of 1990 also marked a record, up 6 percent over sales of $31,381,000, for the first nine months of last year.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $100,000, or 2 cents per share, lower than the $405,000 (8 cents per share) for 1989's third quarter. Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $794,000 (17 cents per share), compared with $877,000 (18 cents per share) for the first nine months of 1989.

Profit for the third quarter of 1990 was reduced by unusual start-up costs associated with the manufacturing and introduction of DocuBind, a combination plastic-comb binding system and three-hole punch, offered at significantly less than the cost of two separate machines. Market reception to DocuBind continues to be strong.

Carl J. Swenson, VeloBind's president and chief executive officer, said, ''Our basic business continues to make progress in a difficult economic environment. We experienced good sales performance in the office products market and our international sales were a record for a quarter.

''We announced the sale of VeloBind to General Binding Corp. of Northbrook, Ill., late in the quarter, which resulted in temporary disruption within our direct and dealer sales organizations,'' continued Swenson. ''We believe these groups are now refocused and we intend to turn over an even more attractive company to General Binding.''

VeloBind has manufactured and marketed professional-quality office binding systems for more than 20 years. The company's products are widely used by law offices, accounting firms, government agencies, schools, and other organizations that require attractive, securely bound documents.

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Worthen Banking Corp. (ASE:WOR) has announced that the corporation's Little Rock affiliate, Worthen Bank & Trust Co., N.A. (Worthen Bank), has acquired from the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC) certain assets and deposit liabilities of First State Savings Bank, FSB of Mountain Home, Ark. (First State).

First State operates two offices in Mountain Home and one branch each in Bull Shoals and Salem, Ark. The four offices of First State will open as branches of Worthen Bank on Monday, with the Northeast branch in Mountain Home also being open on Saturday as a branch of Worthen Bank.

Worthen Bank submitted the winning bid of approximately $1.1 million for the acquisition of First State, which includes approximately $100 million in deposits. The acquisition gives Worthen Bank total assets of approximately $956 million and Worthen Banking Corp. total assets of approximately $2.1 billion.

''With this purchase, Worthen Bank expands its role as the first commercial bank in Arkansas to operate a statewide network of branches,'' said Curt Bradbury, chairman, president, and chief executive officer.

''While Worthen Banking Corp. has had a statewide presence through its affiliate banks prior to this, the purchase of First State by Worthen Bank enhances our existing market penetration in north central Arkansas and introduces us to several new communities,'' Bradbury said.

In addition to its 15 branches in Little Rock and Maumelle, Worthen Bank now has branches in Fayetteville, Springdale, Rogers, Bentonville, Belle Vista, Bull Shoals, Mountain Home, Salem, Callico Rock, Pocohontas, Walnut Ridge, Jonesboro, Harrisburg, Newport, Ashflat, Batesville, Heber Springs, Searcy,

Des Arc, and Hot Springs, Ark.

Worthen representatives met with the former First State employees late Friday. Worthen has established a hotline telephone number (1-800-477-2264) for First State customers and is sending additional Worthen Bank staff to assist the First State branch personnel in greeting customers, answering questions and providing other information about the transition.

Customers may continue to use their existing First State checks, deposit slips and other materials during the transition period, Bradbury said.

''We are very excited about our new employees and the opportunity to serve our new customers in Mountain Home, Salem, and Bull Shoals,'' Bradbury said.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Silvar-Lisco (NASDAQ:SVRL) Monday announced a loss of $229,000 on revenue of $2,365,000 for the second quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $1,676,000 on revenue of $3,284,000 during last year's second quarter.

Included in last year's second quarter net income was a $1,648,000 gain on the sale of a majority interest in Silvar-Lisco's Belgium development subsidiary, and $742,000 in revenue from a N.V. Philips development contract. This year's second quarter loss per share was 3 cents based on 7,403,354 shares, compared with earnings of 23 cents per share based on 7,390,471 shares in the like quarter a year ago.

The net loss for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $405,000 on revenue of $4,915,000, or 5 cents per share, based upon 7,400,648 shares, compared to a net income of $1,717,000 on revenue of $7,029,000, or 23 cents per share, based on 7,418,134 shares.

Anthony Wainwright, president and chief executive officer of Silvar-Lisco attributed last quarter's loss to a shortfall in U.S. sales. ''As I touched on last quarter, we are still in the process of rebuilding our U.S. sales base '' stated Wainwright. ''Bringing an experienced sales director on board, like Dick Bosenko, who knows the U.S. market, will build on the company's current efforts to increase domestic sales for the remainder of fiscal year 1991.''

Dick Bosenko joined Silvar-Lisco as the director of U.S. sales in August of this year. Bosenko has over 20 years of experience in the computer industry with such companies as Digital Equipment Corp., and Tangent Systems Inc.

Previously, Bosenko held the position of director of Tangent Products for Cadence Design Systems.

Wainwright also commented on how the current economic conditions will impact the financial success of the company. ''During tougher economic times, we are fortunate to provide products that increase employee productivity. Indeed, our tools will aid companies that are looking for ways to increase the efficiency of their operations,'' stated Wainwright.

Silvar-Lisco is a leading vendor of advanced CAD (Computer Aided Design) software products for the design of ASIC and full-custom Integrated Circuits. The company's products are marketed both domestically and internationally to IC producers and electronics systems manufacturers.

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LINCOLN, NE (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Terrano Corp. (NASDAQ:TRNO), announced its earnings for the third quarter of 1990 during which it reported net earnings of $301,597, or 6 cents per common share, on revenues of $1,187,367.

During the same period in 1989, the company reported net earnings of $202,704, or 4 cents per common share, on revenues of $1,340,541.

Terrano Corp. develops and markets integrated turn-key computer systems for radiology departments and clinical laboratories. The company is best known for the ILS-5 Clinical Laboratory System which is a comprehensive information management system for both hospital and private laboratories.

Terrano Corp. products are based on the IBM AS/400 Series of computer systems and Prime Computer Inc. 50 Series family of computer systems.

TERRANO CORP.
Financial Highlights
Quarter Ended

	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$ 1,596,681	$ 1,340,541
Net earnings	301,597	202,704
Earnings per common share	.06	.04
Weighted average no. of common shares outstanding	4,777,758	4,746,524

	Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$ 4,317,217	$ 3,819,177
Net earnings	567,492	312,425
Earnings per common share	.12	.07
Weighted average no. of common shares outstanding	4,776,397	4,760,370

	9/30/90	12/31/89
Working Capital	$ 820,652	$ 748,422
Total Assets	3,656,300	3,253,091
Long-term debt	11,512	61,698
Total shareholders' equity	2,472,824	1,904,333

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HOLLYWOOD, FL (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Suncoast Savings and Loan Association (the ''Association'') reported Monday a revised unaudited net loss for its fiscal year ended June 30 to $4.3 million, or $2.33 per share.

The Association had previously reported a net loss of $3.3 million, or $1.80 per share, including a $4.4 million after-tax downward adjustment stemming from unexpected prepayment experience related to mortgage servicing assets created from loans sold in several prior years.

The additional $972,000 net loss is primarily due to a $500,000 increase in the after-tax adjustment to mortgage servicing assets, a $200,000 addition to the general loss reserves and a $400,000 downward adjustment to the gains on the sale of loans recorded in fiscal 1990. The revised results are being reviewed by the Association's independent public accountants.

''The Association and its accountants are moving forward as quickly as possible to release audited results,'' said Albert J. Finch, chairman.

The Association also announced Monday earnings of $246,404, or 13 cents per share, for the first quarter ended Sept. 30. This compares with net income of $487,024 or 26 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

After the adjustments set forth above, the Association met its tangible and core regulatory capital requirements at June 30, but fell short of its risk-based capital requirement by $396,000.

On Sept. 30, due to certain asset restructuring, the Association believes that

it was in compliance with its risk-based capital requirement, with a 6.5 percent ratio or $188,000 in excess of its requirement. Finch said, ''We are committed to meeting and exceeding all of our regulatory capital requirements.''

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CHARDON, OHIO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Essef Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ESSF) Monday announced the election of Thomas B. Waldin as president and chief executive officer of the company.

James A. Horner, who founded the company 36 years ago as a manufacturer of composite plastic tanks for use in water storage and treatment resigned as the company's president and chief executive officer. He will remain as the Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Waldin, 48, has most recently been a private investor managing several small companies as well as an economic advisor to the Prime Minister of Estonia. Prior to that, Waldin worked for Donn Inc., a private worldwide manufacturer of building products, where he concluded his eleven year tenure as its president and chief executive officer.

Upon the acquisition of Donn Inc. in 1986 by U.S.G. Corp, a conglomerate with annual revenues of approximately $2.5 billion, Waldin became executive vice president and chief operating officer of U.S.G. Interiors, a new subsidiary which was formed from Donn Inc. and other U.S.G. units and had sales of about $600 million/yr. Waldin held that position for the year following the acquisition to help integrate Donn Inc. with the conglomerate.

''Essef Corp. is a company with strong core businesses,'' said Waldin. ''We are committed to increasing the value to shareholders of this company by returning Essef to a stable and growing designer, manufacturer and marketer of high performance polymer products.''

As Essef Corp. announced earlier this month, the company intends to sell its FAME Plastics subsidiary which comprises substantially all of its business machine segment. The company's other two business segments are its water treatment and its swimming pool and spa segments.

As part of his compensation package, Waldin will receive options to buy up to 971,800 shares of the company. The vesting of the options is staggered over the next two years and no option is exercisable until the price per share of company stock is consistently equal to or greater than $5.00 per share for a 90 day period.

The company's common shares are quoted on the National Association of Security Dealers' NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''Essf'' and are reported elsewhere as Essef Corp. The company designs and manufacturers products for selected markets through the application of high performance polymeric materials and innovative process technologies.

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BOSTON (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Eastern Utilities Associates (EUA) Monday announced that it was extending its separate tender offers for Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Co. (Fitchburg) and UNITIL Corp. until midnight, Jan. 11, 1991, New York time, in order to allow the Securities and Exchange Commission additional time to continue its review of the proposed acquisitions.

EUA has offered $36 per share for the common stock of Fitchburg and $40 per share for the common stock of UNITIL.

In announcing the extension of the two offers, EUA's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Donald G. Pardus, stated: ''EUA remains totally committed to its goal of acquiring Fitchburg and UNITIL because it is in the best interests of their respective stockholders, customers and employees. We reiterate our willingness to sit down with their managements to negotiate a transaction which assures their stockholders will receive premium value for their common stock while avoiding the further unnecessary expense of a contested transaction. ''Should Fitchburg or UNITIL shareholders prefer a share-for-share transaction, we are also willing to consider that, in conjunction with our cash offer,'' he continued. ''We would hope the Fitchburg and UNITIL shareholders would join us in our call for negotiation.''

EUA announced that as of the close of business on Friday Oct. 26, 1990, 759,007 shares of Fitchburg common stock had already been tendered in response to the tender offer for Fitchburg and 101,622 shares of UNITIL common stock had already been tendered in response to the tender offer for UNITIL.

UNITIL provides electric service to approximately 59,500 customers in 31 communities in two areas of New Hampshire, the greater Concord and Seacoast areas, according to its latest annual report.

Fitchburg provides electric and gas service to approximately 41,000 customers in the greater Fitchburg area in Massachusetts, according to its latest annual report.

EUA is a Boston-based, investor-owned, holding company whose shares are traded

on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges. Subsidiaries are Blackstone Valley Electric Co., Eastern Edison Co., Montaup Electric Co., Newport Electric Corp., EUA Cogenex Corp., EUA Energy Investment Corp., EUA Ocean State Corp., EUA Power Corp., and EUA Service Corp. Together, the companies are known as the EUA System. The EUA System provides electric service to approximately 287,000 customers in Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

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PALO ALTO, CA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Co. Monday reduced U.S. list prices on its 80286-based HP Vectra 286 and its 80386-based HP Vectra 386 personal computers (PCs) from 6 to 22 percent.

The price reductions are designed to strengthen the company's position as a leading supplier of high-quality, competitively priced PCs. U.S. list price reductions on hard-disk drives ranged up to 27 percent.

U.S. LIST PRICES

	Old Price	New Price	Difference
HP VECTRA 286/12 PCs Based on a 12-MHz Intel 80286 microprocessor:			
Model 1 (1 Mbyte of memory, VGA, 3.5-in./5.25-in. flexible disk)	$1,999	$1,799	$200
Model 20 (1 Mbyte of memory, VGA, 3.5-in./5.25-in. flexible disk, and 20-Mbyte hard disk)	2,499	2,399	100
Model 40 (1 Mbyte of memory, VGA, 3.5-in./5.25-in. flexible disk, and 42-Mbyte hard disk)	2,699	2,499	200
HP VECTRA QS/16S PCs Based on a 16-MHz Intel 80386 microprocessor:			
Model 1 (1 Mbyte of memory, 3.5-in. or 5.25-in. flexible disk)	2,399	2,099	300
Model 46/47 (1 Mbyte of memory, VGA, 5.25-in./3.5-in. flexible disk and 42-Mbyte hard disk)	3,499	3,199	300
Model 86/87 (1 Mbyte of memory, VGA, 5.25-in./3.5-in. flexible disk and 84-Mbyte hard disk)	3,999	3,599	400
HP VECTRA QS/20 PCs Based on a 20-MHz Intel 80386 microprocessor:			
Model 1 (1 Mbyte of memory, 5.25-in. flexible disk drive)	3,199	2,699	500
Model 46/47 (1 Mbyte of memory, VGA, 5.25-in./3.5-in. flexible disk drive, 42-Mbyte hard disk)	4,299	3,799	500
Model 86/87 (1 Mbyte of memory, VGA, 5.25-in./3.5-in. flexible disk drive, 84-Mbyte hard disk)	4,799	4,199	600
HP VECTRA RS/25C PCs Based on a 25-MHz Intel 80386 microprocessor:			
Model 10e (1 Mbyte of memory)	6,299	5,799	500
Model 100e			

(1 Mbyte of memory, 8,099 7,599 500
103-Mbyte ESDI hard disk) Model 154e
(4 Mbytes of memory, 9,499 8,199 1,300
155-Mbyte ESDI hard disk) Model 304e
(4 Mbytes of memory, 11,699 10,199 1,500
310-Mbyte ESDI hard disk) HP VECTRA 386/25 PCs Based on a 25-MHz
Intel 80386 microprocessor: Model 1
(2 Mbytes of memory, 5,399 4,199 1,200
5.25-in./3.5-in. flexible-disk drive) Model 80
(2 Mbytes of memory, VGA, 6,999 5,699 1,300
5.25-in./3.5-in. flexible-disk drive, 84-Mbyte hard disk) Model 170

2 Mbytes of memory, VGA, 7,999 6,499 1,500
5.25-in./3.5-in. flexible-disk drive, 168-Mbyte hard disk)
HARD-DISK DRIVES:
84-Mbyte hard disk 1,199 1,099 100
120-Mbyte hard disk 1,799 1,499 300
168-Mbyte hard disk 2,199 1,899 300
336-Mbyte drive pair 4,399 3,799 600
310-Mbyte hard disk 5,499 3,999 1,500

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc. (NYSE:FBH) Monday reported financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 rose 20 percent to $102.5 million, vs. $85.4 million in the same period last year. This improvement was achieved despite a continuing soft market for premium rates.

For the first nine months of 1990, revenues increased 15 percent to $319 million, compared to $278.6 million a year ago. Hall also reported a pre-tax profit form continuing operations for the nine-month period of $3 million compared with a pre-tax loss of $31 million in the same period of 1989, an improvement of $34 million.

For the third quarter, the company reported a pre-tax loss from continuing operations of $3.5 million compared with a pre-tax loss of $19.4 million for the same period last year, an improvement of $15.9 million.

Net loss for the quarter was $2 million (a loss of 21 cents per share after preferred dividends) vs. a loss of $19.1 million (83 cents per share) for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months, net income was $1.7 million (a loss of 43 cents per share after preferred dividends), vs. a loss from continuing operations of $33 million ($1.71 per share) for the nine-month period last year. The 1989 charge to discontinued operations increased that year's nine-month net loss to $83 million ($3.57 per share).

Hall's Chairman and CEO, Donald R. Bell, commenting on the third quarter results said, ''We are very pleased with our third consecutive quarter of improved profitability and impressive revenue growth.

''Our solid gains have resulted from continued strong new business development strategic acquisitions, and our continued focus on cost efficiency. We are well positioned to take advantage of any improvements in current markets conditions.''

Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc., headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's largest insurance brokerage and employee benefits consulting firm. The company had revenues in 1989 of $384 million and has approximately 150 offices and affiliates in over 50 countries.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Kankaku Securities Co. Ltd. (formerly The Nippon Kangyo Kakumaru Securities Co. Ltd.) and Scudder, Stevens & Clark Inc. have launched in Japan a $50 million offshore equity fund, primarily for Japanese investors, that will invest in small emerging companies on a global basis.

The Kankaku/Scudder fund is one of the first global emerging company funds of its kind. The fund builds on Scudder's small company investment experience overseas and in the United States with such funds as The Japan Fund, Scudder New Asia Fund, Scudder New Europe Fund and Scudder Development Fund.

The new fund also reflects increasing interest among Japanese investors in an expanding horizon of ivestments and utilization of the expertise of a

non-Japanese investment manager, like Scudder, with extensive global experience.

Douglas M. Loudon, a Scudder Managing Director, said the focus on small companies globally reflects an evolution from international and global investment trends beginning in the 1980's, and the anticipation of emerging investment opportunities in the coming decade.

Scudder, Stevens and Clark has been an innovator in international investing for nearly four decades. In 1953, Scudder established the first SEC-registered international fund, the Scudder International Fund. In 1984, the firm opened the first investment channel to expanding Korean markets, by launching the Korea Fund.

In recent years, Scudder launched the first publicly-traded U.S. funds to invest throughout Southeast Asia (Scudder New Asia Fund), in Brazil (The Brazil Fund) and throughout Eastern and Western Europe (Scudder New Europe Fund). Last year, Scudder and Merrill Lynch created the first fund, listed on the London Stock Exchange, that invests in high yield sovereign debt obligations, the Sovereign High Yield Investment Co. N.V.

This is the fourth fund to be launched by the Kankaku/Scudder joint venture since it was created in 1988 to jointly manage assets of U.S., Japanese and other Asian investors. The new small company, global fund will be managed by a team headed by Andrew Economos, a portfolio manager for the Scudder New Asia Fund and Gerald Moran, a Scudder small company portfolio manager.

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Todd Shapera or Lucinda Rector, 212/326-6231

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PORTLAND, ORE. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Louisiana-Pacific Corp.'s (NYSE:LPX) board of directors has voted to issue a quarterly dividend of 27 cents a share.

The dividend will be paid Nov. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 15. The board also appointed First Chicago Trust Co. of New York to be L-P's new transfer agent.

CONTACT: Louisiana-Pacific Corp., Portland
Barry Lacter, 503/221-0800

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DALLAS (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Hogan Systems Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:HOGN) Monday reported net income of $69,000, or 1 cent per share, on revenues of

$11,219,000 for its second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30.

During the comparable period a year ago, the company earned $1,030,000, or 8 cents per share, on revenues of $10,339,000.

For the first six months of the fiscal year, the company reported a net loss of $274,000, or 2 cents per share, on revenues of $21,771,000. During the like period last year, the company earned $2,039,000, or 15 cents per share, on revenues of $20,957,000.

Jerge attributed the company's increased revenues to new international license agreements for its Integrated Banking Applications (IBA) product and to the continued growth of its professional services business. In addition to the revenue increase, improved margins were achieved in professional services.

Hogan Systems Inc., of Dallas, designs, markets and supports integrated online application software products for use by financial institutions worldwide. The company maintains major sales and support offices in Woking, England; Melbourne, Australia; New York City and Dallas.

Company stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''HOGN'' and is listed in alphabetical quotations as ''Hogan'' or ''HoganSys.''

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J. M. Dunn, 214/788-7939
Larry Meltzer, 214/953-0808

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Monday, MSR Exploration Ltd. has announced that Jose Montalban has resigned as chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer effective Oct. 19.

He has been succeeded in all those positions by Thomas Wachtell, aged 62, who has spent the last 25 years in all phases of the oil and gas industry.

For the better part of that period he served as executive vice president of Occidental Petroleum and assistant to Armand Hammer, the company chairman.

Effective Oct. 21, 1990, Stephen S. Orefice has assumed the position of chief financial officer. Orefice, aged 41, was vice president and head of Global Derivatives for UBS Securities Inc.

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Stephen S. Orefice, 212/344-6400

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - West Virginia bank merger activity was up during the first eight months of 1990, versus the same period in 1989.

Through August 1990, seven bank acquisitions were announced by three acquirors versus only four announcements by four acquirors in 1989, according to Berwind Financial Group.

This stands in contrast to bank merger activity in other states, which generally declined. Part of the reason for the continued activity in West Virginia was the price performance of bank stocks, typically used as currency in mergers, as these stocks only marginally underperformed the broad market, and outperformed most other bank and financial stocks.

The investment banking firm noted that, from the beginning of this year to the end of August, the broad Dow Jones Industrials, Standard & Poor's 500, and New York Stock Exchange averages have each lost between 5.04 percent and 9.26 percent. At the same time, the NASDAQ OTC Composite index fell 16.18 percent. In general, financial stocks declined substantially more.

The Standard & Poor's and New York Stock Exchange financial averages lost 23.32 percent and 20.37 percent respectively during the same period, compared to a 26.60 percent loss for the NASDAQ OTC Banks index.

Berwind Financial Group's index of West Virginia commercial banks fell just 10.80 percent during the eight months ended Aug. 31, marginally underperforming the broad market.

''The year 1989 was an especially disappointing one for West Virginia bank stocks -- they declined in the neighborhood of 4 percent, while the broad market gained about 27 percent.

Berwind Financial Group offers investment banking services to financial institutions and middle market companies, and makes merchant banking investments as principal. It is wholly owned by the Berwind Group, a diversified privately-held organization in its second century of operation. The Berwind Group and the Berwind Financial Group are headquartered in Philadelphia.

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Barbara Turner White, 215/563-2800

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Principal features of the third quarter sales of ore from the Maria copper mine were initiated.

Production of ferronickel from the Glenbrook nickel smelter increased significantly. Drilling at Sheep Creek cut an important new intersection of copper mineralization. The Quebrada Blanca feasibility work was modified to study a larger project.

The Marte gold mine continued to experience production shortfalls.

After inclusion of exploration and other costs the net loss for the third quarter was $6,554,000 and $0.12 per share. The company's 26 percent share of the loss from the Marte mine was $2,109,000 but no cash outlay was involved.

Exploration and development costs for the nine-month period, including amounts capitalized, totalled $9.8 million, of which $4.7 million was for projects in the United States. Exploration in Europe and Turkey accounted for $2.5 million and in Latin America for $2.6 million.

Contributions to the Quebrada Blanca project for the prefeasibility study were $1.3 million. Capital expenditures for Glenbrook and the slag-processing plant amounted to $3.1 million. The loss for the nine-month period after inclusion of exploration and other costs was $22,114,000 or $0.49 per share.

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Michael Carr, 604/685-3066

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - MSR Exploration Ltd. announced Monday that its board of directors has signed an agreement in principle to purchase all of the outstanding shares of Houston Petroleum Co. of Houston, subject to evaluation and verification of oil and gas properties by MSR's consulting petroleum engineers and further approval of the board of directors of MSR Exploration Ltd.

Houston Petroleum is a privately held company which has been in continuous operation since 1961. It is an oil and gas exploration and producing company which operates primarily within the upper Texas Gulf coast.

Its reserves are located within the prolific Frio, Yegua-Wilcox trends, Southern East Texas basin, and along the Mexia-Talco fault trend of Central Texas. Houston's management estimates that its proved discounted reserves exceed $7.5 million and their possible reserves exceed a discounted $70 million.

Based upon preliminary data presented by Houston Petroleum to MSR, the board of directors of MSR believes that this acquisition could significantly increase its revenues and cash flow in the coming six months by virtue of

Houston's current acreage under lease, its work over potential and its highly experienced exploration team. If this acquisition is consummated, the approximate price will be $5 million in cash and securities.

MSR Exploration Ltd. is an oil and gas producing company and is listed and traded on the American Stock Exchange and on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "MSR".

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NORTH LAS VEGAS, NV (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Vegas Chips Inc., (NASDAQ:VCHP) a Delaware corporation, Friday announced that their products have been authorized for sale through all 290 Von's Company Stores in California and Nevada.

The initial order has been received and all stores will be stocked from Nov. 5 to Nov. 12. Von's, which has approximately 27 percent of the grocery market share in Southern California, will stock for resale all four flavors of Vegas Chips in the 7-ounce size.

Vegas Chips Inc. has a promotional and marketing plan in place with Von's for the next year to promote, display and advertise Vegas Chips through their stores. Management believes that this penetration into the California market not only will increase sales substantially, but will also generate interest for Vegas Chips by other major retailers in that market. Management estimates additional gross sales from Von's for the quarter ending Dec. 31 of approximately $150,000.

Vegas Chips has also been approved for sale of its products in Scolaris Warehouse Markets, a 17-store chain headquartered in Sparks, Nev. Scolaris Warehouse Markets, which has a substantial grocery market share in Northern Nevada, also has a promotional plan in place for introduction of the product.

The company has also received an initial order of approximately $14,000 to be shipped to New York starting Oct. 29, 1990. All shipments to the New York area will be manufactured on a sub-contract basis by a company in Hanover, Pa.

The management of Vegas Chips was disappointed in distributor ventures in Oklahoma and Texas which resulted in continued losses in the second quarter ending Sept. 30. Management believes concentrating its marketing efforts in Southern California and Nevada may enable the company to achieve profitability in future quarters.

Vegas Chips is a publicly traded company, and a fully reporting company with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C. 20549. The following

public documents are available upon request: Current 10-K, 210-Q and press releases.

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BALTIMORE (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Polk Audio Inc., (NASDAQ: POLK) announced Monday sales and earnings for the second quarter and six months ended Sept. 30 1990.

For the second fiscal quarter, net earnings were $506,551 in 1990 compared to $313,814 in 1989, an increase of 61 percent. Earnings per share for these periods were 29 cents in 1990 compared to 18 cents in 1989, an increase of 61 percent. Net sales for the second fiscal quarter were $7,588,916 in 1990 compared with $6,457,294 in 1989, an increase of 18 percent.

For the first six months, net earnings were $683,551 in 1990 compared to $664,677 in 1989, an increase of three percent. Earnings per share for these periods were 39 cents in 1990 compared to 38 cents in 1989, an increase of three percent. Net sales for these periods were $14,289,813 in 1990 compared with $12,988,760 in 1989, an increase of ten percent.

Polk Audio Inc., is a manufacturer of high-quality loudspeaker systems based in Baltimore.

POLK AUDIO INC. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Second Quarter ended		Six Months ended	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$7,588,916	$6,457,294	$14,289,813	$12,988,760
		+18 pct.		+10 pct.
Net earnings	506,551	313,814	683,551	664,677
		+61 pct.		+3 pct.
Earnings per share	$.29	$.18	$.39	$.38
		+61 pct.		+3 pct.
Weighted average shares outstanding	1,761,676	1,764,451	1,761,676	1,764,451

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FAIRFAX COUNTY, VA. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantic Research Corp. (ARC) has acquired two Canadian engineering firms, AMTEK Management Inc. and AMTEK Testware Ltd.

The acquisition is part of ARC's expansion into the Canadian market, which began in 1989 with the establishment of Atlantic Research Canada in Ottawa. Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

Atlantic Research is a leading U.S. high technology services and products company. The AMTEK firms and Atlantic Research Canada all have business centering around the Canadian and international defense and aerospace industries. Retired Brigadier-General R.M. (Murray) Ramsbottom, formerly the Canadian Forces' senior aerospace engineer, has joined Atlantic Research Canada and will become its president on Jan. 1, 1991.

Founded in 1981 and headquartered in Nepean, Ontario, AMTEK Management provides integrated logistics support (ILS), project management and informatics professional services for Canadian military programs.

It is a recognized leader in ILS within the Canadian defense sector. In 1987, the successful growth of the comany's business in automatic test equipment services and products led to the creation of a new company, AMTEK Testware Ltd., in Edmonton, Alberta.

Atlantic Research Canada offers unique systems engineering expertise to Canadian projects in the technology areas of avionics, submarine systems, communications systems, informatics, sensor systems and power systems. It is part of ARC Professional Services Group, which supplies professional and technical services to both government and commercial clients.

The group employs approximately 2000 professional and support personnel at locations in the United States and Canada. Atlantic Research Corp., through its Aerospace Group, is also a leading developer and producer of solid propellant rocket motors, gas generators, liquid propulsion systems and advanced composite materials.

Atlantic Research is a unit of Sequa Corp., a diversified technology-based company with principal interests in the fields of aerospace, machinery and metal coatings, marine transportation, specialty chemicals, and professional and technical services. Sequa is a Fortune 500 company listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

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Theda Parrish, 703/642-4216

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - General American Investors Co. Inc., a publicly traded investment fund listed on the New York Stock Exchange (GAM), Monday reported total net assets as of Sept. 30, 1990, of $357,641,209, as

compared with net assets of $381,932,574 at Dec. 31, 1989 and $390,068,793 at Sept. 30, 1989.

The figure for Sept. 30, 1990 is after deductions of $11,619,317, representing the portion of the 1989 year-end dividends paid in cash on Dec. 27, 1989, and $1,962,732, representing the 1989 spill-over dividends paid in cash on Feb. 6, 1990.

Net asset value per share of common stock at Sept. 30, 1990 was $20.33 as compared with $21.30 per share at Dec. 31, 1989, adjusted to reflect a deduction for the dividends paid in Feb. 1990, and with $22.89 per share at Sept. 30, 1989.

During the nine months, 250,700 shares of common stock were purchased at an average discount from net asset value of 16.6 percent for $4,696,228 and are in the Treasury.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, the aggregate value of the assets in the investment advisory accounts managed by General American Investors and its wholly-owned subsidiary amount to approximately $550 million.

The company reported that it had made new commitments during the third quarter of 1990 in Allied Clinical Laboratories, Amoco, AMP and Mobil. In addition, it had increased its holding in Applied Bioscience International, Chili's and J.C. Penny.

Holdings of Fund American Companies, McDonald's and Shorewood Packaging were eliminated while reductions were made in the holdings of Home Depot, Eli Lilly, Safety-Kleen, Toys R Us and Wal-Mart.

The largest stockholdings in the company's portfolio at Sept. 30, 1990 included Wal-Mart Stores Inc., The Home Depot Inc., Toys R Us Inc., The Limited Inc. and Glaxo Holdings PLC.

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Eugene L. DeStaebler Jr., 212/916-8420

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LAS VEGAS (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Health Services Inc. (AMEX:SIE) Monday reported that net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $3,375,000, or 58 cents per share, a 307 percent increase compared to net income for the third quarter of 1989 of $830,000, or 14 cents per share.

Revenues for the quarter were $42,914,000, a 27 percent increase over revenues from the comparable period in 1989 of $33,809,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, income before litigation judgment reserve was $6,116,000, or $1.05 per share, a 160 percent increase over net income of $2,348,000, or 41 cents per share for the first three quarters of 1989.

As previously disclosed, however, the company recorded a reserve of $6.5 million, or $1.12 per share, in the second quarter of 1990 as the result of a legal judgment in a class action lawsuit. Including the $6.5 million reserve, the company recorded a net loss of $384,000, or 7 cents per share for the first nine months of 1990.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $122,731,000 compared to $99,803,000 for the same period last year, an increase of 23 percent.

Total membership in the company's insurance plans grew to 114,188 for the first nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Additionally, the company's new administrative services product, Sierra Healthcare Options, has been very well received by the self-insured businesses to which it is targeted.

Sierra Health Services is a holding company comprised of six wholly owned subsidaries including an HMO, a life and health insurance company, a multi-specialty medical group, a home health care agency, a hospice, and an administrative services company.

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FREEHOLD, NJ (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Calton Inc. (NYSE:CN) announced Monday that Charles T. Parton has been appointed as a director of the company.

Parton previously served on the Calton board from July of 1986 to Feb. 9, 1990.

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Robert E. Linkin, 908/780-1800

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DALLAS (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Privately-held Aancor Holdings Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiary, National Gypsum Co., filed on Oct. 28, 1990, voluntary petitions for protection under Chapter 11 in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division, it was announced by Peter C. Browning, newly-elected president and chief executive officer.

The Austin Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of National Gypsum and

headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio, will be excluded from the filing.

Browning also announced that the boards of directors of Aancor Holdings Inc., National Gypsum Company and General Electric Capital Corp. have approved a Debtor-in-Possession revolving credit agreement that would provide National Gypsum Company with necessary post-filing financing. The company will petition the court to approve the transaction.

National Gypsum Co. is an integrated, diversified manufacturer and supplier of products and services used worldwide in building and construction.

The company engages in the manufacture, sale and distribution of products serving the residential, commercial, industrial, and repair and remodeling markets and, through its subsidiary, The Austin Company, performs engineering and construction services for domestic and international clients.

CONTACT: National Gypsum Co., Dallas
Allan V. Cecil, 214/740-4544

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Battery One-Stop Inc. specialty retailer of over 1,000 types of batteries and battery powered electronic products, announced Monday that its shareholders approved the second amendment agreement made as of Aug. 15, 1990 to the earn out formula contained in an agreement (the ''Purchase Agreement'') dated Dec. 15, 1987, whereby:

1. 1,000,000 free trading common shares be immediately issued to the Principals (as herein defined) in recognition of their contribution to the success of the Corporation and for establishing and implementing the United States operations, including the initial 35 locations in the United States; and

2. A staged release of the remaining 2 million common shares reserved under the earn out formula in the Purchase Agreement based upon such shares being earned out in accordance with the cash flow earn out formula set out in the Purchase Agreement or 1,000,000 common shares for which additional 100 new stores or kiosks of the Corporation or its subsidiaries opened in Canada or the United States in excess of the original 35 stores open in the United States, whichever is the first to occur.

The Principals are A.W. Dittner, P.G. Edmunds and L.E. Swoykoski, all of whom are presently directors and officers of the Corporation. Based on the shares outstanding at Aug. 31, 1990, the common shares of the Corporation will be diluted by 9.1 percent by issuing the 1 million free trading shares.

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NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - O'Charley's Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CHUX) Monday reported record revenues and net income for the first three quarters of its current fiscal year, with net income up 88 percent to $708,900 from $377,000 last year.

Revenues increased by 35 percent during the three quarters ended Oct. 7, from $26,826,000 in 1989 to $36,095,000 for the current period. For the third quarter revenues were $11,137,000, up 32 percent over $8,419,000 last year and net income rose 107 percent to $228,000 for the quarter vs. $110,000 last year.

Fully diluted earnings per share were up slightly for the year to date, 29 cents vs. 24 cents, and down slightly for the quarter, 6 cents vs. 7 cents. Weighted average shares outstanding for the third quarter totalled 4.1 million reflecting the 2.5 million more shares issued in a public offering mid-year, compared with 1.7 million when last year's per share earnings were computed. Results are reported on a pro forma basis.

During the quarter the company opened its second company store in the Louisville, Ky., market, had a company store under construction in Memphis, Tenn., and is scheduled to open a franchised restaurant in Montgomery, Ala., on Nov. 6. ''We will finish the year with 31 company and franchised restaurants in operation, exactly as we had planned,'' Wachtel said.

Wachtel noted that the dilutive effect of the public offering on per share earnings comparisons would prevail through the second quarter of 1991. In late September the company announced that its board of directors had authorized open-market purchases by the company of up to 500,000 shares of the company's common stock.

Wachtel said management believes the current market valuation of the stock, which is below book value, does not properly reflect the true value of the company.

O'Charley's Inc., based in Nashville, operates and franchises 29 casual dining full service restaurants under the O'Charley's name, designed to appeal to a broad range of customers. The restaurants, which emphasize consistently high quality food and customer service, feature a variety of menu items at moderate value-oriented prices.

The common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the trading symbol ''CHUX.''

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WAYNE, N.J. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Union Camp Corp. (NYSE:UCC) Monday declared the regular quarterly dividend of 39 cents per share of common stock, payable Dec. 13 to shareholders of record Dec. 4.

Union Camp Corp. is a leading manufacturer of paper, packaging and wood-based chemicals.

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G.A. Kraut Co., New York
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PITTSBURGH, PA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Mylan Laboratories Inc. (NYSE:MYL) announced that for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 net income climbed from $4,584,000 to $7,678,000 and earnings per share rose from 13 cents to 21 cents per share reflecting a 60% increase over the same period last year.

Revenues from the Eldepryl joint venture continue to contribute to both of these earnings figures.

Sales for the quarter were $20,918,000 compared with $23,153,000 for the same quarter last year. This figure does not reflect the sales from Eldepryl.

Management noted that pricing pressures are severe once again in the generic industry and have affected sales dollars, but Mylan's business remains strong and there has been no decrease in units shipped. The company further stated that with the new head of the generic division in place and the possible appointment of David Kessler as FDA Commissioner, they are optimistic that the problems at the FDA will be resolved in the not too distant future and growth in generics will continue to improve.

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DALLAS (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - National Gypsum Co. Monday announced financial results for the three and nine months ending Sept. 30. Third quarter net revenues were $326.2 million, compared with $348.3 million for the same quarter last year. Operating income for the three months was $2.5 million, compared with $16.4 million during the same period in 1989.

A net loss of $22.7 million occurred during this year's third quarter, compared with a loss of $2.5 million in 1989 which included a gain of $10.6 million from open-market debt purchases. Net cash provided by continuing operations was $22.2 million, compared with $41 million in last year's third quarter. For the nine months, net revenues were $991.8 million, compared with $1 billion in the first nine months of 1989. Operating income for the nine months was $17 million, compared with $50.6 million for the same period last year. The company incurred a net loss of $53.2 million for the nine months, compared with a loss of $27.6 million during last year's first nine months.

This year's results included a gain of $6.9 million from open-market debt purchases, while last year's results for the nine months included a gain of $11.3 million from debt purchases. Net cash provided by continuing operations was $28.9 million, compared with $53.5 million last year.

Peter C. Browning, newly elected president and chief executive officer, said that the declines in net revenues, operating income, and net cash provided by continuing operations, and the increase in net loss resulted primarily from a 7 percent decrease in average wallboard prices, compared with the same period last year. Browning also noted that billings by The Austin Co., though down slightly from last year's third quarter, remain near record levels.

Earlier Monday, National Gypsum and its parent, privately held Aancor Holdings Inc., announced that they had filed on Oct. 28, voluntary petitions for protection under Chapter 11 in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division. The Austin Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of National Gypsum, was not included in the filing.

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FAIRFIELD, CT (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - General Electric Company Monday announced the appointments of six new vice presidents, effective Nov. 1, 1990.

They are: William J. Conaty, 45, vice president - Aircraft Engines Human Resources Operation, GE Aircraft Engines, Cincinnati. He was previously manager - Lynn Area Human Resources Operation, GE Aircraft Engines, Lynn, Mass.

Jean M. Heuschen, 39, vice president - Plastics Technology, GE Plastics, Pittsfield, Mass. He was previously director - technology, GE Plastics - Europe, Bergen op Zoom, Netherlands.

Richard U. Jelinek, 42, vice president - Corporate Compensation and Benefits, Corporate Human Resources, Fairfield, Conn. He was previously president of

Management Designs Inc., West Newton, Mass.

Jay F. Lapin, 45, vice president - general counsel and public affairs, GE Appliances, Louisville, Ky. He was previously general counsel and manager of public affairs, GE Appliances, Louisville.

William B. Lytton, 42, vice president & general counsel - GE Aerospace, King of Prussia, Pa. He was previously general counsel - GE Aerospace, King of Prussia.

Wiliam A. Woodburn, 39, vice president & general manager - Lighting Worldwide Marketing and Product Management Division, GE Lighting, Cleveland.

He was previously managing director - Western European Marketing and Sales, Tungsram Co. Ltd., London.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - NYNEX announced Monday the introduction of NYNEX USAccess, a videotex service offering the business telephone listing from the New York City and Boston areas on the French Minitel System.

NYNEX USAccess will be available to all Minitel users in France. Access to NYNEX business listings by United States users will be blocked due to restrictions imposed by the Modified Final Judgement.

NYNEX USAccess is listed on the Minitel under Kiosk 3617. This kiosk is comprised of business and international information and is directed at the business market. CTL, a French videotex systems and applications software provider, developed and will host NYNEX's data base.

The business listings are from the current NYNEX Business to Business Yellow Pages directories for Manhattan and Eastern Massachussets/Southern New Hampshire. The directories are published annually by NYNEX Information Resources Co.

NYNEX USAccess is targeted toward French business executives and travel agencies. Typical uses of the data base would be making hotel or restaurant reservations, meeting arrangements, or hiring U.S.-based companies or agencies.

The NYNEX Business to Business Yellow Pages for Manhattan contains about 131,000 listings. About 198,000 listings from the Eastern Massachusetts

directory, which includes the New Hampshire cities of Nashua, Manchester and Portsmouth, are also available.

NYNEX Corp., based in New York, is the fourth largest telecommunications company in the United States ranked by sales. The company provides information products and systems to a diverse base of customers from offices in 13 countries and across the United States. Through New England Telephone and New York Telephone, NYNEX delivers quality telecommunications services to the Northeastern United States.

Headquartered in Middletown, Mass., NYNEX Information Resources Co. annually publishes more than 300 White and Yellow Pages telephone directories, primarily for New England Telephone and New York Telephone.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - American Vanguard Corp. (NASDAQ:AMGD) Monday announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Amvac Chemical Corp., has successfully brought its new $11 million plant expansion to manufacture pentachloronitrobenze (''PCNB'') on stream.

The first commercial shipments of PCNB were made last week.

PCNB is an agricultural fungicide that has wide use in many important food and ornamental products. According to Glenn A. Wintemute, president and chief operating officer, ''PCNB in its technical form has been in critically short supply in the United States market place due to purity requirements of the finished product. Amvac has the only plant in the country that has successfully manufactured PCNB to the requirements of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

'' We have expended over $3,000,000 in conducting PCNB toxicological and environmental fate studies for the protection of the environment and are continuing studies in accordance with the current requirements of the EPA and the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA).''

Wintemute further stated, ''Over the past several years, with no U.S. source of supply of PCNB, demand for a local source of PCNB has been building steadily. We look forward to meeting that demand with U.S. manufactured PCNB and expect that sales of this chemical will begin contributing to revenues in the current year.''

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PORTLAND, MAINE (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - ImmuCell president, Thomas G. Adelman, Ph.D., reported in a letter to be delivered to stockholders that the development of ImmuCell's first immunopreventive product, First Defense(tm), was nearing launch, with its clinical trials completed, and final submission for USDA registration scheduled for early November.

It is intended that First Defense will be used to reduce the incidence of enteritis in dairy and beef calves.

Adelman stated that ''...the projected launch of First Defense will inaugurate a new strategic direction for ImmuCell--one that focuses upon disease prevention products, not only for animal health care but also for human health applications. I believe that the technology that ImmuCell has been developing over the past three years can successfully address not only some well-defined animal health needs, but also a series of specific human disease prevention needs. We estimate that the total domestic human and animal markets for immunopreventive products that satisfy those needs potentially could exceed $400 million. ImmuCell's long term success will depend on our ability to capture a significant portion of that market.''

ImmuCell's strategy for approaching that market was outlined by Adelman: ''...we intend to first commercialize the animal health product applications of this antibody technology to increase revenues and generate earnings. We hope that the sales of First Defense and subsequent animal products will develop credibility for our technology. As exposure to our animal immunopreventives grows, we anticipate that we will be well positioned to introduce, with an appropriate corporate partner, enteritis prevention products into discrete human markets. These markets include different groups of people with a significant risk of enteric disease: certain AIDS patients, other immunocompromised patients, hospitalized infants, post-surgical patients children in day-care, and travelers to non-industrialized countries.''

The company has already begun research on its first human disease prevention product, which, if successful, could be used to treat cryptosporidiosis, an often fatal infection that occurs in some AIDS patients.

Adelman concluded by saying that the company ''...hopes that the impending launch of First Defense and the initiation of our own human immunotherapeutic

product development will raise the profile of ImmuCell within the biotechnology industry and contribute to our objective of attaining profitability.''

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BRAINTREE, MASS (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Nellie Mae, the largest holder of federally reinsured student and parent loans in New England, announced 1990 third quarter earnings of $3.4 million an increase of 72 percent over third quarter 1989.

Earnings for the nine month period ending Sept. 30, increased 45 percent over the 1989 period to $8.0 million.

The corporation, established in 1982, presently holds $1.2 billion in federally reinsured student loans and $140 million in supplemental loans. This represents a 50 percent increase over last year's portfolio which totalled almost $860 million dollars. At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $1.4 billion, an increase of 44 percent over Sept. 30, 1989.

Nellie Mae's portfolio contains over 400,000 student loans, of which more than 85 percent are those of students who attended four year colleges, universities or graduate schools. Less than 4 percent of the of the loans held by Nellie Mae belong to students who attended proprietary or trade schools. In 1989, Nellie Mae had an actual default rate of just over 2 percent.

Recently, attention has focused on the issue of loan defaults in the 25 year old Stafford Student Loan Program formerly known as the Guaranteed Student Loan Program. The New England experience continues to be extremely positive. Of the tens of thousands of students who have participated in this program, 97 percent begin making payments immediately upon graduation.

Of the 3 percent who do default, principally due to an inability to pay, nearly 50 percent later repay. The Stafford Student Loan Program will be scrutinized by Congress in 1992 as part of the Reauthorization of Higher Education Act. At this time, the federal government may modify the loan program and other sources of federal financial aid.

Nellie Mae, located in Braintree, Mass., supports higher education through its secondary market programs working with over 400 lenders in New England and New York, four supplemental education loan programs, and philanthropic endeavors.

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TEMPLE, TX (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Texas Instruments Monday announced the TravelMate 3000, a notebook PC with the power and performance of 386SX desktop computers.

It features a 20 MHz 386SX processor, 10-inch diagonal black-on-white VGA display, floppy diskette and hard disk drives all in a slender unit weighing 5.7 pounds with battery. Measuring only 8.5" x 11" x 1.8", the TravelMate 3000 packs the capabilities of a desktop PC into one of the most powerful, compact notebook computers available.

The TravelMate 3000 is aimed at users who require the utmost in portability and need the power of their 386SX PC. Users can select this notebook PC to match their workstyles wherever they work - in the office, at home, or on the road.

VGA display and 20 MHz processor lead the list of features

The TravelMate 3000 has the same brilliant VGA display as the TravelMate 2000 -- a 10" diagonal triple supertwist LCD with sidelighting. With a resolution of 640 x 480 and 32 gray scales, the black-on-white display is ideal for Windows and other graphics applications. The full function IBM 101/102-style keyboard has 79 keys with an embedded numeric keypad and dedicated cursor control pad.

The TravelMate 3000, designed and manufactured at the Texas Instruments Temple Texas facility, will be available through TI's Peripheral Products Division's distributors, value-added resellers and dealers. TI suggested list price for the TravelMate 3000 is $5,499 for the 20MB disk drive model and $5,999 for the 40MB disk drive model.

TI's Information Technology Group (ITG) offers a unique combination of software, computing and automation technologies developed at TI in recent years. These include computer-aided software engineering (CASE), artificial intelligence, knowledge-based systems, real-time industrial automation and control, and enterprise-wide information systems.

ITG's Peripheral Products Division designs, develops, manufactures, and markets worldwide a broad range of laser and impact printers, portable PCs, and data terminals.

Texas Instruments Inc., headquartered in Dallas, is a high technology company with sales and manufacturing operations in more than 30 countries. TI develops, manufactures and markets semiconductors, defense electronics systems software productivity tools, computer systems, printers and terminals, industrial automoation and control systems, electrical controls, metallurgical

materials, and consumer electronics products.

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CLINTON, N.J. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Foster Wheeler Corp. Monday reported net earnings for the nine months ended September 1990 amounting to $27,167,567 on revenues of $1,166,186,286.

This amounts to earnings per share of 77 cents.

Net earnings for the similar period in 1989 were $23,974,024 on revenues of $941,848,588 amounting to 68 cents per share, which included 9 cents per share from the curtailment and settlement of a foreign pension plan and 19 cents per share relating to the sale of future real estate rents receivable.

The backlog of orders for the corporation at the end of September 1990 totalled $2,486,002,478, the highest in Foster Wheeler's history. The figure at the end of September 1989 was $1,444,401,163.

Foster Wheeler Corp. is an international organization offering a broad range of design, engineering, construction, manufacturing, management, real estate development and environmental services. The corporation's headquarters are at Clinton.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Fujitsu Systems of America Monday announced the signing of a Value Added Reseller (VAR) agreement with Descartes-RAM of Waterloo, Ontario Canada.

Designed to produce a turnkey solution for the beverage industry, the Fujitsu-Descartes alliance is indicative of both companies' growing dedication to the beverage industry.

The System29 handheld computer puts the power of the computer directly in the hands of sales and delivery personnel. With System29, sales and distribution people can produce invoices, check pricing updates, control inventory and expedite deliveries, on the spot. At the same time, they can gather industry trends in real time. A valuable tool in a volatile industry.

The lightweight System29 includes printers and a communications interface unit to communicate directly to a mainframe computer. This ruggedized system can withstand the harsh environment that in-truck computers encounter.

Descartes-RAM's flexible software is adaptable to individual requirements. Together, these companies provide beverage customers with a complete system package.

Fujitsu Systems of America Inc. is one of the Fujitsu Limited family of companies. A global leader in computer and telecommunications technology, Fujitsu Limited has annual revenues of $16 billion. In addition to handheld computers, the company designs, develops and markets point-of-sale (POS) systems and scanners for the retail market and automated teller machines (ATMs) for the financial services industry.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Itasca Systems Inc. Monday introduced the Data General Aviion version of its ITASCA object database management system (ODBMS).

ITASCA is the first object DBMS to run on the popular line of UNIX-based workstations and servers. The company also announced it has become a member of Data General's Independent Software Vendor (ISV) program.

Introduced in August, the ITASCA ODBMS is a distributed, multi-client, multi-server system that supports highly complex workstation applications. It is based on the ORION prototypes developed by the Object-Oriented and Distributed Systems Laboratory of the Microelectronics and Computer Technology Corp. (MCC).

Object (also called object-oriented) database management systems differ from hierarchical, network, and relational systems in using ''persistent objects''--reusable modules of data code -- rather than serial lines of code as the fundamental units of application programming. This enables ITASCA to operate on complex data significantly faster than the other, comparable systems.

The Data General's Aviion workstations and servers incorporate the Motorola 88000 RISC (reduced instruction set computer) microprocessor, providing a

high-performance hardware platform for graphical applications in the areas of computer-aided design (CAD), computer-aided software engineering (CASE), computer-integrated manufacturing (CIM), computer-aided publishing (CAP) and mechanical computer-aided engineering (MCAE).

Founded in 1989, Itasca Systems Inc. develops and markets object-oriented database management systems and related products for the computer workstation market. Itasca Systems is a privately held, independent business entity partially funded by Control Data Corp. As a member of MCC, it is licensed to market the results of research by the MCC Object-Oriented and Distributed Systems Laboratory in Austin, Texas.

Data General Corp., which is headquartered in Westboro, Mass., was founded in 1968. The company is a leading worldwide supplier of computer systems for business, industry, education and the government. In fiscal year 1989, Data General reported revenues of $1.31 billion.

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HORSHAM, PA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Robec Distributors announced a distribution agreement with Moses Computers.

To enter the low-cost networking market, Robec will distribute the new Moses ChosenLAN peer-to-peer network system nationwide, and will provide training and support through its local branch offices.

ChosenLAN is an entry-level, low-cost PC LAN network product line which has impressive performance and adheres to IBM standards.

Frank Berko, president of Moses Computers, commented, ''The agreement with Robec should be especially attractive to resellers since the Robec setup sales support and training services will make ChosenLAN sales even easier. The new ChosenLAN system will significantly reduce the high cost of installing a LAN and training its users.''

As with all systems delivered by Robec, ChosenLAN will be installed and bench-tested prior to shipment. Individual PC workstations in a ChosenLAN network can be configured as a server, a redirector, or a peer by installing the ChosenLAN adapter cards in each PC and the ChosenNOS network operating system programs.

Robec is a national, value-added distributor of microcomputer systems, peripherals, spare parts, and accessories, providing product leadership and

technological services to value-added resellers, dealers and computer retailers.

Robec is headquartered in Horsham, Pa. The company maintains sales and warehouse locations across the United States including: Asheville, N.C.; Atlanta; Boston; Chicago; Columbus, Ohio; Dallas; Denver; Houston; Kansas City Kan.; Los Angeles; New York; Orlando, Fla.; Philadelphia; Phoenix; Pittsburgh; Salt Lake City; San Francisco; Seattle; Washington, D.C.; and Youngstown, Ohio.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Re Capital Corp., (the ''company'') reported net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $2,505,000, an increase of $816,000 or 48% over third quarter 1989 net income of $1,689,000.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $7,289,000, an increase of $1,337,000 or 22% over the comparable period of 1989. Net income per share increased to 37 cents for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 over 25 cents per share for the same period of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income per share was $1.06 compared with 87 cents per share for the comparable period of the prior year.

Net written premiums of $27,366,000 for the third quarter of 1990 increased 15% over net written premiums of $23,888,000 in the comparable period of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net written premiums of $73,857,000 increased 14% over the $64,838,000 reported for the nine months ended Sept. 30 1989. Net earned premiums for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $23,972,000 and $70,568,000, respectively, compared with $22,163,000 and $64,869,000 for the comparable periods of 1989.

The statutory combined ratio for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was 98.1% and 98.8%, respectively, compared with 101.0% and 98.9% for the 1989 third quarter and nine months period, respectively. 1989 third quarter results were adversely impacted by net losses of $721,000 attributable to Hurricane Hugo. Those losses reduced earnings per share by 7 cents for each of the three and nine months periods ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The effective income tax rates of 17.7% and 17.2% for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively, and 11.8% and 13.4%, for the comparable prior year periods result principally from the effects of tax-exempt interest income. Effective rates are increasing due to the negative impact of alternative minimum taxes.

Cash flow from operations aggregated $22,718,000 for the nine months ended

Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $20,739,000 in the corresponding period of 1989.

The company's shareholder's equity and Re Capital Reinsurance Corporation's statutory surplus, respectively, amounted to $95,645,000 and $80,965,000 at Sept. 30, 1990 compared with $89,341,000 and $73,971,000 at Sept. 30, 1989. The company's shareholders' equity per share at Sept. 30, 1990 was $15.30 compared with $13.75 at Sept. 30, 1989.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Bernard Chaus, chairman and CEO of Bernard Chaus Inc., announced that Michael J. Brown has been appointed to the newly created position of executive vice president of management and planning.

Brown's most recent corporate position was executive vice president of administration and a corporate director of COMDISCO Inc., a computer leasing company. Prior to that he held various financial executive positions with Joseph E. Seagram & Sons, Norton Simon Inc. and Enterprise Development Group.

Brown is a graduate of Kenyon College and the Harvard Business School.

Bernard Chaus Inc. is one of the largest producers of updated, moderately priced women's sportswear, sold in major department and specialty stores throughout the United States. Its common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exhcange under the symbol CHS.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE:S) and its wholly owned subsidiary, Sears Receivables Financing Group Inc., announced that the subsidiary filed Monday with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement for the issuance and sale of $250 million of Sears Credit Account Trust 1990 E Pass-Through Certificates through an underwriting syndicate to be managed by Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., Lehman Brothers, and Merrill Lynch Capital Markets.

Sears will sell receivables arising from a portion of its merchandise group credit accounts to the subsidiary, which in turn will transfer the receivables to a trust which will issue the certificates. Discover Card receivables will not be included in the trust. The certificates will represent undivided ownership interests in the trust.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - American Franchise Group Inc. (NASDAQ:BUCS) announced Monday that it has entered into a letter of understanding with Sir Speedy Inc. (''SSI'') wherein SSI would convert certain PrintShack International Inc. (''PSI'') franchise units to SSI franchises.

PSI is a subsidiary of American Franchise Group Inc.

The financial consideration will consist of SSI assuming approximately all of PSI's existing liabilities as of Sept. 30, and a cash payment of $100,000 at closing.

Consummation of the transaction is contingent upon consent of a sufficient number of PSI franchises, completion of a due diligence review by SSI, and execution of a definitive agreement.

The closing is scheduled for the early part of December 1990.

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FRANKLIN PARK, IL (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - At a ceremony attended by local and regional dignitaries, Matsushita Electric Corporation of America -- known for its Panasonic, Technics and Quasar brands -- Monday broke ground for the construction of a 162,000-square-foot Factory Automation Technology center.

Designed to centralize the company's efforts to develop new manufacturing automation technologies for its plants in North America, the facility will be located on Matsushita's existing manufacturing campus in this suburb.

''Along with testifying to the success of our factory automation products in the marketplace,'' noted Richard A. Kraft, president of Matsushita Electric Corporation of America, ''the construction of this Factory Automation Technology center is yet another example of Matsushita's commitment to manufacturing in North America.''

Manufacturing products locally is a Matsushita priority. The company's official goal is to produce, in North America, 50 percent of all products sold here, while incorporating at least 70 percent local content into each of these products.

Scheduled for completion in July, 1991, the Factory Automation Technology center will be occupied by the Production Engineering Department of North American Matsushita's Manufacturing Development and Support Center (MDSC), along with Panasonic Factory Automation (PFA) employees. According to projections, the number of employees at the Franklin Park campus is expected to increase to 1,700 by 1995, up from the current figure of 1,300.

Founded in 1959, Matsushita Electric Corporation of America now has 30 North American subsidiaries and affiliates and 11,000 employees. It markets and produces both consumer and industrial products, and recorded sales of $5.4 billion for fiscal 1989.

In the past five years, Matsushita has established 10 manufacturing facilities in North America. In total, North American Matsushita has 16 manufacturing sites in seven U.S. states, Puerto Rico, Mexico and Canada.

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WOBURN, MA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Easel Corp. Monday became the first supplier of graphical application software development tools to support the three most popular PC platforms with the introduction of EASEL/Win(tm), a Windows 3.0 version of its flagship EASEL(R) product.

EASEL/Win joins the company's industry-leading EASEL/DOS(tm) and EASEL/2(tm) (EASEL for OS/2) products, used by application developers to create graphical applications based on client-server or cooperative processing architectures; and to enhance existing corporate mainframe applications with graphical user interfaces.

The EASEL/Win Development System offers developers a sophisticated suite of tools to build a wide range of Windows applications. EASEL/Win can connect personal workstation based Windows applications with other enterprise-wide

computing resources, such as mainframe computers. EASEL/Win simplifies the creation of these types of applications by providing a high-level interface to a variety of IBM and Digital Equipment Corp. communications protocols.

For creating client-server applications, EASEL/Win provides direct support for the Microsoft SQL Server database. Developers can manipulate SQL Server by issuing dynamic SQL statements from within their EASEL/Win application. EASEL/Win also supports direct commands for executing database services; configuration commands for customizing output from SQL commands; and inquiry commands that return informational messages about particular SQL statements.

Many connectivity options are available for incorporating other programs into an EASEL/Win application. EASEL/Win provides a simplified interface to the Dynamic Data Exchange (DDE) protocol, allowing EASEL/Win applications to share data with a variety of PC programs, including spreadsheets and word processors. Custom functions written in languages such as C can be incorporated through dynamic link libraries or interprocess communications.

The Windows clipboard also is accessible so that end users can control the flow of data between programs.

EASEL/Win provides full support for the user interface constructs of Windows including: frame styles (system menu, title bar, sizing bar, scroll bars and minimize/maximize buttons); primary and secondary windows with associated action bars, pulldown menus and cascading menus; and dialog boxes and associated controls (push-buttons, entry fields, radio buttons, check boxes, list boxes and combination boxes).

Easel's Layout/CUA(tm) user interface design tool also can be used to create EASEL/Win applications that conform to IBM's Common User Access guidelines. In addition, developers can use EASEL/Win's vector drawing capabilities to create colorful, highly specialized user interfaces for executive information system and shop floor applications.

Easel Corp. is a leader in the fast-growing market for graphical application software development tools. The company's technology allows programmers to create personal workstation-based applications, which feature graphical user interfaces and integrate with new and existing host-computer resources.

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EL PASO, TX (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Texscan Corp., (NASDAQ: TXCN) announced Monday that it will effect a 1-for-5 reverse split of its common stock, effective Oct. 29, for shareholders of record at the close of business on that date.

As a result of the action, the company will have approximately 2.2 million shares of common stock, fully diluted, outstanding.

Texscan shareholders approved the reverse split at the company's annual meeting of stockholders on Sept. 27. Information concerning process for obtaining new stock certificates will be sent to shareholders with the company's second quarter earnings report.

''The reverse split is designed to improve the attractiveness of Texscan's stock to the investment community and also should meet the margin requirements for most brokerage firms,'' said William H. Lambert, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of Texscan.

''The anticipated price of the stock following the split is expected to exceed listing requirements for both the NSADAQ National Market System and the American Stock Exchange.'' Texscan's stock currently trades on the NASDAQ Bid/Ask Market and closed at $1.06 bid, $1.13 ask on Oct. 26.

For the quarter of fiscal 1991 ended July 28, the company reported net income of $424,000, or 4 cents per pre-split share, compared to net income of $141,000, or 1 cent per pre-split share, for the quarter ended July 29, 1989.

Headquartered in El Paso, Texscan Corp. is a leading designer and manufacturer of a broad line of distribution and commercial insertion products for the cable television industry, and a large scale fiber optic systems integrator.

CONTACT: Morgen-Walke Assoc., New York
Lynn Morgen or Leslie Freed, 212/986-5900
or
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Ken Pieper, 214/220-1202

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SAN DIMAS, CALIF (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of the Southern California Water Co. (NASDAQ:SWTR) at a regular meeting on Oct. 29, 1990, has declared a quarterly dividend of 55 cents per share on the common shares of the company.

This represents an increase of 2 cents per share for the quarter. The indicated annual rate would be $2.20.

The dividend will be payable Dec. 1, 1990, for shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 12, 1990. This makes 60 years of continuing dividend payments since the company was established in 1929.

CONTACT: Southern California Water Co., San Dimas, James B. Gallagher or Robert E. Wilkins, 714/394-3600

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - CBIS announced Monday the appointment of L.L. Hendrickson as head of its European operations.

CBIS President Richard A. Licursi said, ''This appointment reflects our commitment to the European marketplace and to developing CBIS as a global corporation.'' Hendrickson was formerly president and CEO of LDN Communications Inc., another Cincinnati Bell Inc. subsidiary.

Since its inception, CBIS has targeted international markets and has won contracts in Europe, the Asia/Pacific region, Australia and Mexico. Substantial international growth has come from Europe, where the company has done business with British Telecom, Copenhagen Telephone (KTAS), Telecom Eireann (Ireland), and Uniqueair (U.K.)

CBIS also established a strategic foothold in the European mobile communications market earlier this year by agreeing to supply (through Digital Equipment Corp.) a complete cellular support system to Deutsche Telepost Consulting GmbH (DETECON) for the pan-European digital mobile communications network, D1.

''There are tremendous growth opportunities for CBIS in Europe,'' said Hendrickson. ''The establishment of a full-service multinational operation in Europe gives us the capability to capture those opportunities and to offer our European clients responsive, high-quality service. CBIS does not want to be an American company merely importing its products and services into Europe. Rather, we intend to become an important member of the European business community.''

Hendrickson, an M.I.T. and Harvard Business School graduate, has been in the telecommunications industry since joining AT&T in 1964. After serving as director of strategic planning during the restructuring of the Bell System in the early 1980s, Hendrickson moved to the unregulated subsidiary of AT&T that developed and marketed business communications equipment and computers.

CBIS, a subsidiary of Cincinnati Bell Inc., provides information management solutions to financial, telecommunications and government entities.

CONTACT: CBIS, Cincinnati
Greg Icenhower, 513/723-3669

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DALLAS (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. Monday unveiled a multipurpose, PC-based image processor that can capture and process images, as well as encode and print documents - all for the first time in a compact unit.

A general purpose product, the new NCR 7731 Personal Image Processor is designed for use in the banking, travel/transportation and hospitality/retail industries.

The NCR 7731 - previewed Monday at the Bank Administration Institute (BAI) National Conference for Image Technology and Banking - is part of a family of NCR image products included in the statement of direction issued by the company in December, 1989.

''The NCR Persoal Image Processor reduces the amount of labor required to process paper-based transactions,'' said Randy Bell, assistant vice president of NCR's product marketing division. ''It is the first product that combines image scan and image processing, multi-font, multi-line character recognition, ink-jet text and graphics printing, and thermal encoding.''

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Manning Selvage & Lee, New York
Lisa Hendrickson, 212/213-7135

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#90302b0817 10/29/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T and Deutsche Bundespost Telekom (Germany) have agreed to lower accounting rates 17 percent effective April 1, 1991.

Accounting rates are the basis for the charges phone companies pay each other to complete calls in their networks.

The two companies also agreed to connect electronic mail systems and to offer companies in both countries one-stop shopping in provisioning private lines.

John Berndt, president of AT&T International Communications Services, said, ''We are pleased with the progress that has been made in negotiating lower accounting rates with the Bundespost, and are looking forward to continued progress. This is an important step to help us reduce AT&T's costs for

international calling.''

Today's agreement also allows users of AT&T Mail and Telebox, the German Bundespost's electronic mail system to exchange messages and take advantage of the features of both systems. AT&T Mail has similar X.400 interconnections with 19 electronic mail systems around the world today. AT&T Mail and Telebox are compatible with the International Telegraph and Telephone Consultative Committee (CCITT) X.400 Message Handling System standard.

Under the one-stop shopping segment of the agreement, customers can choose either carrier to arrange for and provide telecommunications services between the two countries. The service, designed to streamline network procurement and management, will be used for leased lines. Pilot applications are already underway and the service will become generally available in the first half of 1991.

AT&T currently has a similar service, called Account Management Plus (AM+), in a number of countries, including the United Kingdom, Japan, Hong Kong, Belgium the Netherlands and Australia. The German Bundespost has agreements to provide one-stop shopping service with France, the United Kingdom, Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden.

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-30- 2347

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Twin Tires Systems Inc. (VSE:TTW) has negotiated a private placement of 1.75 million units with Faraday Financial Corp. of Dallas for $4.29 U.S. dollars each for a total subscription price of $7,507,500 U.S. dollars.

Each unit will comprise one common share and one share purchase warrant, exercisable for one year at $4.29 U.S. dollars per share. These shares are subject to a one year hold.

This private placement is subject ot the approval of the Vancouver Stock Exchange. The company intends to use the proceeds to purchase inventory, expand its dealer network, build a U.S. wheel assembly plant, and these funds will provide the necessary assets to qualify Twin Tires to trade on NASDAQ.

CONTACT: Twin Tires Systems Inc., Dallas
David McCulloch, 214/661-3333

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - For the quarter ended Sept. 30, Harris & Harris Group Inc., (''H&H Group'' or the ''Company'') reported net income of $81,000 or 1 cent per fully-diluted share, vs. $14,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

Revenues increased by 12 percent to $2,568,000 vs. $2,303,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, H&H Group reported net income of $221,000 or 2 cents per fully-diluted share, vs. $369,000 or 4 cents per fully-diluted share last year. Revenues increased by eight percent to $7,890,000 vs. $7,326,000 last year.

The increase in revenues in both the three-month and nine-month periods reflected the continued growth of Capital Trust Company and a near doubling of revenues by the company's smaller insurance-brokerage operation, Harris & Harris of Georgia. Not including interest-income, H&H Group's revenues (not including any revenues from 50-percent owned Ag Services of America Inc.) increased by 18 percent in the third quarter and 13 percent in the nine month period vs. last year.

Interest income declined because of the company's use of cash to repurchase shares of its stock in 1989 and to purchase 50 percent of Ag Services in April of 1990.

Year-over-year, the company's income from operations expanded sharply in both periods: from $121,000 to $193,000 in the third quarter, and from $299,000 to $585,000 in the first nine months.

The decline in net income in the first nine months of this year, to $221,000 from $369,000 last year, reflected the inclusion in last year's first nine months of $441,000 in net gain on investments (vs. $19,000 this year) and $140,000 in extraordinary income (vs. $6,000 this year).

Pre-tax income in the three month and nine-month periods of 1990 included, respectively, $217,000 and $417,000 from the company's equity interest in the earnings of Ag Services.

In the fourth quarter, such one-time consulting expenses are estimated to be approximatley another $70,000. No additional consulting expenses are currently scheduled thereafter. This program of reviews reflects an overall corporate program being instituted to emphasize profitability and cash flow from existing operations.

CONTACT: Harris & Harris Group Inc., New York, Charles E. Harris, 212/307-4380

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#90302b0843 10/29/1990 ~Business Wire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - VME Group announced Monday in Sweden that it is offering a bid on the outstanding shares in Akermans Verkstad AB.

VME presently owns shares in Akermans corresponding to 4.5 percent of capital and 29.3 percent of votes. Conditions of the bid require that VME obtain, in total, more than 90 percent of the outstanding shares and appropriate governmental approvals.

Akermans Verkstad AB is a well respected Swedish manufacturer of hydraulic excavators with dominant market positions in the Nordic countries and a marked presence in several other European countries. The company, originally founded in 1889, is a focused manufacturer of excavators with fully owned sales subsidiaries in the Nordic countries and in the UK, Belgium, The Netherlands, Austria and Switzerland. Akermans 1989 sales were $286 million, with a pretax profit of $13 million.

The total world market for construction equipment in 1989 was approximately $27 billion. The product segments in which VME competes -- wheel loaders and haulers -- represent 27 percent of this market. Hydraulic excavators represent approximately 35 percent of this world market. With excavators included, VME and its distribution network would be in a position to compete in more than 60 percent of the total construction machinery market.

VME had previously announced its intention to broaden its operations and further secure its position in the marketplace by adding an excavator line to its current product offering. In 1987, VME began distribution of Akerman excavators in its Spanish sales company. Later similar distribution arrangements were made in West Germany and France.

VME Group is an international manufacturer of construction equipment. The company, registered in The Netherlands and owned by AB Volvo, Sweden, and Clark Equipment Company USA, had sales in 1989 of $1,177 million and pretax profit of $69 million.

VME Group is one of the largest manufacturers in the construction equipment industry. It is the third largest producer of wheel loaders, and a world leader in articulated haulers.

CONTACT: VME Americas Inc., Cleveland
William H. Foley, 216/383-3114

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#90302b0846 10/29/1990 ~Business Wire

WINDSOR, CONN. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - ADVO-System Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ADVO) announced Monday that it has signed agreements with VNU's Consumer Marketing Information Group to use its demographic analysis and software.

Under the agreements, VNU's Claritas subsidiary will provide ADVO with demographic analysis and database marketing systems. Claritas will provide ADVO with its Compass desktop database market analysis system and its PRIZM neighborhood lifestyle segmentation system. In addition, Claritas will supply ADVO with new proprietary applications of these systems to augment ADVO's consumer targeting capabilities.

Another VNU subsidiary, National Planning Date Corp. (NPDC), will provide ADVO with software and databases that will be used to enhance ADVO's consumer preference databases. The NPDC databases are tailored to current postal routes and zones, and will enhance ADVO's direct mail capabilities.

Robert ''Kam'' Kamerschen, ADVO's chairman and CEO, said, ''This strategic alliance with VNU will further enhance and expand ADVO's ability to provide strategic micromarketing services to its clients. ADVO has undertaken this strategic initiative in our quest to be the preeminent one-stop provider of micromarketing solutions and associated services, and this specific improvement in its database capabilities is a major step forward.''

Claritas Corp., founded in 1971, has regional offices in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Detroit and Connecticut. Among its clients are General Motors, Coca-Cola, Chase Manhattan, J.C. Penney, and more than 800 other firms. Claritas is owned by VNU Business Information Services, Inc., the American subsidiary of VNU (United Dutch Publishing Companies).

ADVO specializes in targeted direct mail products and services. The company's brands of shared mail, Marriage Mail and Mailbox Values, are distributed nationally to over 52 million households weekly.

ADVO also processes solo mailings and offers limited printing and transportation services. It has 20 production facilities and 69 sales offices nationwide.

ADVO's corporate headquarters are located at One Univac Lane, Windsor, Conn. 06095.

CONTACT: ADVO-System Inc., Windsor
David M. Stigler, 203/285-6120

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ORLANDO, FLA. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Stone Golabuk/Chernoff Silver and Associates announces it is changing its name to Chernoff/Silver.

Chernoff/Silver is a $24 million full-service advertising, sales promotion, and public relations firm based in Columbia, S.C. Chernoff/Silver purchased Orlando's Stone Golabuk Marketing, Advertising and Public Relations in March 1990.

In addition to Columbia and Orlando, Chernoff/Silver has offices in Hilton Head, S.C., and Houston.

The Orlando office represents approximately $6 million in billings. Accounts include Sears authorized Pest Control, Twin Towers Hotel and Convention Center Systeme Corp., and A. Duda and Sons. Chernoff/Silver Orlando specializes in marketing for financial services and high tech accounts.

''The purchase of Stone Golabuk represented significant growth for our company and has proven to be a splendid acquisition,'' said Marvin Chernoff, chairman of Chernoff/Silver. ''Our team in Orlando has given us strength and depth in the Central Florida market.''

The Orlando Chernoff/Silver management team includes John David Rose, president, and Andrew Brown, senior vice president of Account Services.

Chernoff/Silver is one of the fastest growing agencies in the Southeast. In the 15 years since its founding, Chernoff/Silver has evolved from a political media consulting firm at the local, state and national levels, to a major regional shop for commercial and institutional advertising, market research, public relations and public issues work.

CONTACT: Chernoff/Silver, Orlando
Cynthia Boles, 407/898-5880

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PERRIS, Calif. (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Modtech Inc. (NASDAQ:MODT), a leader in California manufacturing of modular relocatable classrooms, Monday announced operating results for the third quarter and the nine months ended Sept. 30.

For the third quarter, pro-forma net income increased to $1,153,000, or 31 cents per share, on revenues of $15,458,000 vs. pro-forma net income of $587,000, or 20 cents per share, on revenues of $12,971,000 for the like period last year.

For the nine months ended September 1990, the company's pro-forma net income rose to $2,421,000, or 74 cents per share, on revenues of $38,535,000 compared with pro-forma net income of $1,091,000, or 38 cents per share, on revenues of $31,418,000 for the like period in fiscal 1989.

In reviewing the results for the first nine months of fiscal 1990, Evan Gruber chief executive officer, attributed the company's increase primarily to additional production at its expanded manufacturing facilities in response to continued overall demand for modular relocatable classrooms, as well as increased sales of the customized classrooms built by the Del-Tec division under the company's management.

Gruber further noted that the growth in population in California, both from births and from immigration, will continue to lead to increasing school enrollments. Changes in population demographics have left many existing permanent schools with excess capacity.

Consequently, in 1986, California adopted legislation that requires, with certain exceptions, that 30 percent of all new classrooms constructed with state funds be relocatable structures. Modular relocatable classrooms take less time to construct and install and cost less than conventional ''red brick'' schools. In addition, modulars permit a school district to relocate the classrooms as student enrollment shifts.

With its improved financial position due in large part to the July 1990 initial public offering, Modtech Inc. is prepared to benefit from the opportunities in its niche of the infrastructure market.

Modtech Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and installs modular relocatable classrooms. The classrooms are sold primarily to school districts throughout California.

CONTACT: Modtech Inc., Perris Evan M. Gruber, 714/943-4014

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WINDSOR, CONN (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - ADVO-System Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ADVO) announced Monday that it has acquired a majority interest in RM Marketing Inc. a California-based promotional and marketing company.

Details of the acquisition were not disclosed.

RM Marketing was founded several years ago in Encino, Calif. by Ric Mandelbaum. Currently, its principal activity is to prepare tailored promotional magazines for retailers which contain both editorial material and advertisements. Its current clients include Ralphs Supermarkets, one of the largest chains in Southern California, Pathmark Supermarkets, and Foodland Supermarkets. In addition, the company has worked with Chrysler Corp., Bally's Outrigger Hotels Hawaii, and other major retailers and travel destinations.

Robert ''Kam'' Kamerschen, chairman and CEO of ADVO, said, ''We see this as an excellent marriage of RM Marketing's creative marketing skills and productive relationships with grocers with ADVO's proven micromarketing talents and client base. This is another step in ADVO's growth into the area of fully-integrated, targeted communications that get results.

Mandelbaum will continue as the principal officer and a minority shareholder of RM Marketing, which will be an ADVO subsidiary. His 20 years of experience in this type of targeted advertising will be a vital part of RM Marketing's future success.

ADVO specializes in targeted direct mail products and services. The company's brands of Shared Mail, Marriage Mail and Mailbox Values, are distributed nationally to over 52 million households weekly. ADVO also processes Solo mailings and offers limited printing and transportation services. It has 20 production facilities and 69 sales offices nationwide. ADVO's Corporate headquarters are located at One Univac Lane, Windsor, Conn., 06095.

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NASHVILLE, TENN (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - PoFolks Inc., the Nashville-based operator and franchisor of 134 PoFolks restaurants, Monday announced that the company will pay a 5 cents per share dividend for stockholders of record as of Nov. 1, 1990.

The dividend will be payable on Dec. 14, 1990. The company currently has 5,075,000 shares outstanding.

John Scott, president of PoFolks Inc., said: ''We are delighted to be able to reward the confidence of our stockholders in this tangible way. The dividend reflects the sound financial position of the company and our confidence in the future of PoFolks.''

The fiscal year for PoFolks Inc. ended on Sept. 30, 1990. The company will announce its annual results upon completion of a year-end audit. The company expects to announce earnings in excess of its plan of $868,000, or 17 cents per share.

PoFolks Inc. is a full-service family restaurant, specializing in hearty, homestyle cooking served in generous portions at reasonable prices in a contemporary country home atmosphere.

CONTACT: PoFolks Inc., Nashville, Mike McNeil, 615/781-4700

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Technologies Inc. and TRW Inc. have signed an agreement for Phoenix Technologies to acquire TRW's Customer Service Division.

The sale is expected to close Nov. 30, pending regulatory approval.

The customer service division of TRW (CSD) provides nationwide on-site maintenance and repair of computer systems and peripheral equipment with a particular emphasis on microelectronics. It also provides computer facility management and training. It currently employs 1,250 people in offices across the United States. Phoenix Technologies intends to retain the management and employees of CSD. Sales in 1989 totaled about $120 million.

Phoenix Technologies (PTI) consists of three integrated companies providing custom electronic product manufacturing and distribution services, repair and refurbishment services, site planning and installation services, as well as nationwide on-site maintenance and support.

Phoenix Service Technologies Inc., PTI's existing field service operation, will with this acquisition become the largest third-party maintenance provider focusing on servicing microprocessor-based equipment in the United States. Phoenix Technologies views CSD as an important strategic complement to its existing operations.

Financial terms were not disclosed.

TRW provides advanced technology products and services for the automotive, space and defense and information markets. The company's 1989 sales totaled $7.34 billion.

CONTACT: Phoenix Technologies Inc., Philadelphia
Todd Alexander, 215/630-1600
TRW CSD, New Jersey
James Rosen, 201/575-7110, ext. 4282

-30- 1839
#90302b0871 10/29/1990 ~Business Wire
KNOXVILLE, TN (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank Of East Tennessee (NASDAQ/NMS:EATN) Monday announced results for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three months, net income was $152,287, or 8 cents per share, up 21.1 percent over net income of $125,776, or 7 cents per share, for the third quarter of last year.

Net interest income after provision for loan losses increased 8.1 percent to $1,808,747 for the third quarter of 1990 compared with $1,673,555 earned in the prior-year period.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $434,360, or 23 cents per share, an increase of 19.8 percent over net income of $362,493, or 20 cents per share, for the year-earlier period.

Net interest income after provision for loan losses was $5,115,198 for the first nine months of 1990, up 6.3 percent from $4,810,506 in the similar period last year.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $175.5 million and total deposits were $153.3 million.

Bank Of East Tennessee is an FDIC-insured banking institution with executive offices in Knoxville.

The Bank serves the East Tennessee counties of Knox, Hamblen and Blount through ten offices. The common stock of Bank Of East Tennessee is traded in the NASDAQ over-the-counter market under the symbol EATN.

CONTACT: Bank Of East Tennessee, Knoxville
Fred R. Lawson or Samuel F. Grigsby Jr., 615/549-2200

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#90302b0878 10/29/1990 ~Business Wire

CHICAGO (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Rodman & Renshaw Capital Group Inc. (NYSE:RR), Monday reported net income of $27,000, or 1 cent per share for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $938,000, or 22 cents per share for the same period a year earlier.

Revenues for the quarter were $18,559,000, vs. $19,365,000 in the comparable 1989 period. Book value per share of common stock was $6.93 as of Sept. 30.

''The declines in both revenues and earnings for the quarter reflected a softer demand for investment banking services,'' said Kurt B. Karmin, chairman and chief executive officer. ''We expect to see higher revenues from these sources during this current quarter,'' Karmin continued.

Rodman & Renshaw Capital Group Inc. is the parent company of Rodman & Renshaw Inc., a full service securities broker/dealer and commodities futures commission merchant with major offices in Chicago, New York, Kansas City and London. The firm is a member of the New York Stock Exchange, the Chicago Board of Trade and other principal stock and commodity exchanges.

CONTACT: Martin E. Janis & Co. Inc. Public Relations, Chicago Paul Brickman or

Kathy Posner, 312/943-1100

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#90302b0881 10/29/1990 ~Business Wire
NORWALK, CT (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - First National Realty Associates Inc., of Norwalk, announced Monday that it has reached an agreement to purchase Wilton-based Realtech Realtors, from Lone Pine Industries Inc.

''We are looking forward to adding a quality firm like Realtech to the First National Realty family of companies,'' stated Jay N. Torok, chairman and chief executive officer of First National Realty Associates Inc., ''and feel the fine Realtech reputation and First National Realty's resources will enable us to provide outstanding real estate services for our clients in and around Fairfield County.''

Realtech, which was founded in 1971, maintains 12 offices and 175 sales associates, serving all of Fairfield County and its surrounding towns.

The acquisition of Realtech brings First National Realty to a total of 53 branch offices and 1,200 sales associates in the company.

First National Realty is a national residential real estate brokerage company founded in 1988, with operations in Northern and Southern California; Fairfield County, Conn.; Houston; Atlanta; and Boca Raton and Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

CONTACT: First National Realty Associates Inc., Norwalk
John DiCenzo, 203/866-3800 (bus.)
or 203/372-8618 (res.)

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:22 that trade in International Mobile Machines Corp.(NASDAQ: IMMC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 4 3/8. The company is located in Philadelphia, PA.

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FORM 144

SEC - R. FREEDMAN OF 11 SOUTH HOLLOW RD, DIX HILLS, NY 11746, HAS FILED TO SELL 320,600 SHARES OF UNIQUE VENTURES INC. THROUGH INVESTORS ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 19, 1990.

(UNIQUE VENTURES INC. TEL: 516 563-6406)

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FORM 144

SEC - B.S. SLATT OF 407 NEVADA AVE, SAN MATEO, CA 94402, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,000 SHARES OF REDWOOD EMPIRE BANCORP THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 15, 1990.

(REDWOOD EMPIRE BANCORP TEL: 707 573-4910)

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FORM 144

SEC - R.G. SHEPPARD OF 858 WEST CLOVER MEADOW DR, MURRAY, UT 84123, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF BIOMASS INTERNATIONAL INC. THROUGH WILSON DAVIS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 22, 1990.

(BIOMASS INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 801 364-9000)

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FORM 144

SEC - VALLEY BANK & TRUST OF P.O. BOX 450, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84110, HAS FILED TO SELL 190,000 SHARES OF BERYLLIUM INTERNATIONAL INC.(TICKER: BERY) THROUGH WILSON DAVIS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 22, 1990.

(BERYLLIUM INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 801 943-5972)

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FORM 144

SEC - M.F. MCAULIFFE OF 50 CALIFORNIA ST, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CORROON & BLACK CORP.(TICKER: CBL) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 22, 1990.

(CORROON & BLACK CORP. TEL: 212 363-4100)

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FORM 144

SEC - J.B. MACDONALD OF 7320 GALLAGER DR, EDINA, MN 55435, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. THROUGH R.J. STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 22, 1990.

(CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. TEL: 612 941-5093)

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FORM 144

SEC - S.M. SKINNER OF P.O. BOX 25318, GALLOWS BAY, CHRISTIANSTED, VI 00824, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000,000 SHARES OF HEAVENLY HOT DOGS INC. THROUGH DATEK SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 15, 1990.

(HEAVENLY HOT DOGS INC. TEL: 813 945-2300)

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#90302c0011 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P. MAGERMANN OF 2121 PALOMAR AIRPORT RD, CARLSBAD, CA 92002, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,000 SHARES OF NTN CANADA INC.(TICKER: NTNC) THROUGH FINL EQUITIES RES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 15, 1990.

(NTN INC. TEL: 215 885-3877)

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FORM 144

SEC - J.J. ORR OF 7 RAVENWOOD DR, LANCASTER, NY 14086, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF UNIVERSAL CAPITAL INC. THROUGH QUICK & REILLY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 22, 1990.

(UNIVERSAL CAPITAL INC. TEL: 716 854-3573)

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#90302c0013 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.D. GOULDING OF 10591 CRESTON DR, LOS ALTOS, CA 94024, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CORROON & BLACK CORP.(TICKER: CBL) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-

BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 16, 1990.

(CORROON & BLACK CORP. TEL: 212 363-4100)

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#90302c0014 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. MARGULIES OF 561 BROADWAY #10-B, NEW YORK, NY 10012, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF NIGHTWING GROUP INC. THROUGH WESTMINSTER SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 22, 1990.

(NIGHTWING GROUP INC. TEL: 212 982-9255)

-30- 410
#90302c0016 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.P.C. OVERTON OF 7720 E BELLEVIEW AVE, BLDG 46-B, SUITE 200, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,873 SHARES OF SCORPION TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SCPN) THROUGH RAF FINANCIAL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 22, 1990.

(SCORPION TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 452-0700)

-30- 468
#90302c0017 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. ROSENFELD OF 1 FOWLER PLACE, DIX HILLS, NY 11746, HAS FILED TO SELL 718,000 SHARES OF WHITEMARK CORP. THROUGH ROSENKRANTZ LYON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 22, 1990.

(WHITEMARK CORP. TEL: 516 756-1166)

-30- 387
#90302c0018 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT B KAMON OF 1304 AVE L, P O BOX 1629, CISCO, TX 76437, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN (TICKER: GTRO) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN TEL: 817 442-2665)

-30- 464
#90302c0019 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM P BOURNE OF C/O ALEX BROWN & SON, 787 7TH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10019, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(BROWN (ALEX) INC. TEL: 301 727-1700)

-30- 425
#90302c0020 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD D JORDAN OF 5915 VISTA LOOP, SAN JOSE, CA 95124, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,800 SHARES OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(ALLWASTE INC. TEL: 713 623-8777)

-30- 398
#90302c0021 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COLBERT LORENCE M TRUST OF 10880 WILSHIRE BLVD STE 620, LOS ANGELES, CA 90024, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF UTILITECH INC. (TICKER: UTLL) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(UTILITECH INC. TEL: 213 441-4119)

-30- 437
#90302c0022 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INDOSUEZ BANQUE OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,301 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 412
#90302c0024 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INDOSUEZ BANQUE OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,950 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 412
#90302c0025 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID KIRDASSI OF 1400 CHAINBRIDGE RD, MCLEAN, VA 22101, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,070,000 SHARES OF CHAMPIONS SPORTS INC. (TICKER: CSBR) THROUGH FIRST CHOICE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(CHAMPIONS SPORTS INC. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 427
#90302c0026 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KATHERINE EMBRY OF 267 NORTH SMOKETREE AVE, AGURA, CA 91301, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 406
#90302c0027 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHRISTOPHER EMBRY OF 267 NORTH SMOKETREE AVE, AGURA, CA 91301, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 408
#90302c0028 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SOFRO JOHN TRUST OF 13400 RIVERSIDE DR, SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91423, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,749 SHARES OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. TEL: 818 995-7000)

-30- 432
#90302c0029 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LLOYD B EMBRY OF P O BOX 101 EVERGREEN WAY, 0, EVERETT, WA 98204, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 415
#90302c0030 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAULSELL FREDERICK O JR TTEE OF 10809 120TH AVE N E, KIRKLAND, WA 98083, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH FOSTER-PAULSELL-BAKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 459
#90302c0032 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ADRIAN PETERS OF ONE CENTRAL PK PLZ, CONAGRA CTR, OMAHA, NE 68102, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,302 SHARES OF CONAGRA INC. (TICKER: CAG) THROUGH WOOD GUNDY CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(CONAGRA INC. TEL: 402 978-4000)

-30- 397
#90302c0033 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A FISHMAN OF 200 N ROCKINGHAM AVE, 0, LOS ANGELES, CA 90049, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 426
#90302c0034 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID BATTAT OF 2 EVERETT CT, MARLBORO, NJ 07746, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,740 SHARES OF STAGE II APPAREL CORP. (TICKER: SA) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(STAGE II APPAREL CORP. TEL: 212 564-5865)

-30- 416
#90302c0035 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B M I OF 262 HARBOR DR, STAMFORD, CT 06904, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,485 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 428
#90302c0036 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A FISHMAN OF 200 N ROCKINGHAM AVE, 0, LOS ANGELES, CA 90049, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 428
#90302c0037 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARVIN S ROSOFF OF 9313 W SUNRISE BLVD, 0, PLANTATION, FL 33322, HAS FILED TO SELL 118,935 SHARES OF BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOCA) THROUGH INTL ASSETS ADVISORY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 394-3066)

-30- 443
#90302c0038 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLORIA J CULLERTON OF 700 EAST GULF RD, ARLINGTON HTS, IL 60005, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF AMERIHOST PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HOST) THROUGH PRINCETON SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(AMERIHOST PROPERTIES INC. TEL: 708 298-4300)

-30- 439
#90302c0040 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID B LUTHER OF 22 OVERBROOK DR, PAINTED POST, NY 14870, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF CORNING INC. (TICKER: GLW) THROUGH HERZOG HEINE GEDULD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(CORNING INC. TEL: 607 974-9000)

-30- 396
#90302c0041 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERARD R BRAET OF 5023 NORTH ARCADIA DR, PHOENIX, AZ 85018, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF UNITED TELEVISION INC. (TICKER: UTVI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(UNITED TELEVISION INC. TEL: 213 854-0426)

-30- 427
#90302c0042 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARTMANN ROBERT F TR OF 2610 ORCHARD PARKWAY, SAN JOSE, CA 95134, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(ALTERA CORP. TEL: 408 984-2800)

-30- 406
#90302c0043 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM B NEFF OF 1545 FAIRWAY GREEN CIRCLE, SAN JOSE, CA 95131, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,631 SHARES OF MIDWEST COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCOM) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(MIDWEST COMMUNICATIONS CORP. TEL: 606 331-8990)

-30- 450
#90302c0044 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - I-TECH R&D L P OF 9248 CAMBRIDGE MANOR CT, POTOMAC, MD 20854, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,180 SHARES OF COMVERSE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CMVT) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(COMVERSE TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 516 921-0470)

-30- 436
#90302c0045 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ACORN ALCINDA FOUNDATION OF 1120 N MAIN ST, ELKHART, IN 46514, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF EXCEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: EXC) THROUGH MABON NUGENT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 18, 1990.

(EXCEL INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 219 264-2131)

-30- 428
#90302c0046 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 16, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 455
#90302c0048 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE E KLINE OF 4750 IDS CENTER, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402, HAS FILED TO

SELL 5,700 SHARES OF CYBEROPTICS CORP. (TICKER: CYBE) THROUGH WESTONKA INVTS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(CYBEROPTICS CORP. TEL: 612 331-5702)

-30- 407
#90302c0049 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALD M GREENBERG OF 30 SOUTH HAVANA, SUITE #307, AURORA, CO 80012, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,394 SHARES OF MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. (TICKER: MIXX) THROUGH J.W. GANT & ASSOCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 18, 1990.

(MEDICAL INNOVATIONS INC. TEL: 713 680-9661)

-30- 446
#90302c0050 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN J ZELENCIK OF 155 CREST RD, WOODSIDE, CA 94062, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,041 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 389
#90302c0051 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SPENCER A LEYTON OF 1800 GREEN HILLS RD, SCOTTS VALLEY, CA 95066, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,684 SHARES OF BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BORL) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 408 438-8400)

-30- 442
#90302c0052 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAYMOND D MEYO OF 3330 W MARKET ST, AKRON, OH 44313, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF TELXON CORP. (TICKER: TLXN) THROUGH C J LAWRENCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(TELXON CORP. TEL: 216 867-3700)

-30- 382
#90302c0053 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN WOLOSKY OF 505 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF TRANS-ATLANTIC VIDEO INC. (TICKER: TAVD) THROUGH HILL THOMPSON MAGID. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(TRANS-ATLANTIC VIDEO INC. TEL: 201 431-0700)

-30- 429
#90302c0054 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT L FROME OF 505 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 101,000 SHARES OF TRANS-ATLANTIC VIDEO INC. (TICKER: TAVD) THROUGH HILL THOMPSON MAGID. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(TRANS-ATLANTIC VIDEO INC. TEL: 201 431-0700)

-30- 431
#90302c0056 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEIL GRUNDMAN OF 505 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF TRANS-ATLANTIC VIDEO INC. (TICKER: TAVD) THROUGH HILL THOMPSON MAGID. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(TRANS-ATLANTIC VIDEO INC. TEL: 201 431-0700)

-30- 427
#90302c0057 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STUART E MCFARLAND OF 12094 EAST MEXICO AVE, AURORA, CO 80012, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. (TICKER: MCFE) THROUGH OLDE DISCOUNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. TEL: 213 944-0181)

-30- 429

#90302c0058 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MEGA WATT ENERGY OF 1600 SMITH, SUITE 5000, HOUSTON, TX 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,182 SHARES OF FALCON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: FLOG) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(FALCON OIL & GAS CO. TEL: 915 367-4126)

-30- 428
#90302c0059 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT F STEPHENS OF 2621 CHADBOURNE, 0, PLANO, TX 75023, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,500 SHARES OF ATMOS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: ATO) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(ATMOS ENERGY CORP. TEL: 214 934-9227)

-30- 414
#90302c0060 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALICE M JACKSON OF 6130 BRENTWOOD ST, AURADA, CO 80004, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII) THROUGH RICHFIELD SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(RYAN-MURPHY INC. TEL: 303 293-3835)

-30- 407
#90302c0061 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALD P SCRUSHY OF 2125 MALLAND SQUARE, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35216, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. TEL: 205 967-7116)

-30- 459
#90302c0062 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAY WIENER OF 41 SOUTH MORRIS LANE, SCARSDALE, NY 10583, HAS FILED TO

SELL 31,250 SHARES OF NEUROTECH CORP. (TICKER: NURO) THROUGH HERZOG HEINE GEDULD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(NEUROTECH CORP. TEL: 516 694-0026)

-30- 402
#90302c0064 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL J YOST OF 6607 KAISER DR, FREMONT, CA 94555, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF VITALINK COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: VITA) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(VITALINK COMMUNICATIONS CORP. TEL: 415 795-6292)

-30- 440
#90302c0065 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDMUND PENSLIEN OF 12 HILSINGER RD, P O BOX 460, MT TABOR, NJ 07878, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF EASTCO INDUSTRIAL SAFETY CORP. (TICKER: ESTO) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(EASTCO INDUSTRIAL SAFETY CORP. TEL: 516 427-1802)

-30- 461
#90302c0066 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN I SAPOSNICK OF 40 REMSEN ST, BROOKLYN, NY 11201, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,569 SHARES OF COMMAND CREDIT CORP. (TICKER: CDMD) THROUGH M H MEYERSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(COMMAND CREDIT CORP. TEL: 516 764-1117)

-30- 419
#90302c0067 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LOIS K OTTOMBRINO OF 40 REMSEN ST, BROOKLYN, NY 11201, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF COMMAND CREDIT CORP. (TICKER: CDMD) THROUGH M H MEYERSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(COMMAND CREDIT CORP. TEL: 516 764-1117)

-30- 419
#90302c0068 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT J NIELSON OF 46 WEST 300 SOUTH, SUITE 235, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84101, HAS FILED TO SELL 235,000 SHARES OF AMERALIA INC. (TICKER: AALA) THROUGH WILSON DAVIS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(AMERALIA INC. TEL: 801 596-2622)

-30- 419
#90302c0069 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARCIA K ELLIOTT OF 7805 TELEGRAPH RD, BLOOMINGTON, MN 55438, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,847 SHARES OF ALLERCARE INC. (TICKER: ALLR) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(ALLERCARE INC. TEL: 612 944-0555)

-30- 406
#90302c0070 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS SPIEGEL OF 8820 WILSHIRE BLVD, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90211, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,720 SHARES OF TUBOSCOPE CORP. (TICKER: TUBO) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(TUBOSCOPE CORP. TEL: 713 799-5100)

-30- 405
#90302c0072 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FURUMOTO CHILDRENS TRUST OF 530 BOSTON POST RD, WAYLAND, MA 01778, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CANDELA LASER CORP. (TICKER: CLZR) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(CANDELA LASER CORP. TEL: 508 358-7637)

-30- 432

#90302c0073 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORMAN HABER OF 470 MAIN RD, TOWACO, NJ 07082, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF HABER INC. (TICKER: HABE) THROUGH ADDISON SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(HABER INC. TEL: 201 263-0990)

-30- 374
#90302c0074 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL R TUCKER OF 23 FAIEWAY CIRCLE, NATICK, MA 01760, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,242 SHARES OF STRATUS COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: SRA) THROUGH BANK OF BOSTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(STRATUS COMPUTER INC. TEL: 617 460-2000)

-30- 413
#90302c0075 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD O MOORE JR OF 6334 BUFORD HWY, NORCROSS, GA 30071, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,001 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH R B MARICH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 377
#90302c0076 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:33 that trade in Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc.(NASDAQ: PHBK) has been resumed. The first sale was 2; down 3/8 point from the halt, and down 1/2 points from the previous close.

-30- 399
#90302c0077 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL E FREIMAN OF 20850 VERDE VISTA, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SYNTEX CORP. (TICKER: SYN) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(SYNTEX CORP. TEL: 415 855-5050)

-30- 397
#90302c0078 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM H BRENTON OF 3131 FLEUR DR, APT #907, DES MOINES, IA 50321, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BRENTON BANKS INC. (TICKER: BRBK) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(BRENTON BANKS INC. TEL: 515 237-5214)

-30- 423
#90302c0080 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN E ELLIOTT OF 7805 TELEGRAPH RD, BLOOMINGTON, MN 55400, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,153 SHARES OF ALLERCARE INC. (TICKER: ALLR) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(ALLERCARE INC. TEL: 612 944-0555)

-30- 406
#90302c0081 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE A GOLDMUNTZ OF 29 KALORAMA CIRCLE N.W., WASHINGTON D.C., DC 20008, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,440 SHARES OF GROUNDWATER TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GWTI) THROUGH NEUBERGER & BERMAN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22 1990.

(GROUNDWATER TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 769-7600)

-30- 461
#90302c0082 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RON BERGER OF 717 SE 27TH, GRESHAM, OR 97080, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,000 SHARES OF RENTRAK CORP. (TICKER: RENT) THROUGH BATEMAN EICHLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(RENTRAK CORP. TEL: 503 284-7581)

-30- 381
#90302c0083 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:45 that trade in Cabot Corp.(NASDAQ: CBT) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

-30- 317
#90302c0084 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:45 that trade in Cabot Oil & Gas Corp.(NASDAQ: COG) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

-30- 337
#90302c0085 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Lomak Petroleum (TICKER: LOMK) earned $50,723, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.92 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $45,250, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $1.25 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90302c0086 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 11, 1990, First Michigan Bank Corp.(TICKER: FMBC) declared a dividend payable on Oct. 22, 1990, of one right for each outstanding share of common stock held at the close of business on Oct. 22, 1990.

The bank states this also applies to stock issued thereafter and prior to the separation time.

The rights were issued pursuant to a shareholder protection rights agreement dated Oct. 11, 1990 between First Michigan and FMB-First Michigan Bank as rights agent.

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#90302c0088 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 11, 1990, F.A. Computer Technologies Inc.(TICKER; FACO), Cheyenne Software Inc.(TICKER: CYE) and Dennis Gates (the parties) agreed to terminate a shareholders' agreement between them dated Feb. 22, 1989, and to replace it with a new shareholders'agreement.

Under the new agreement, the parties involved agreed to use their best efforts

to cause F.A. Computer's board of directors to consist of six persons and to vote their shares in favor of four of whom will be designated by Cheyenne and two of whom will be designated by Gates.

Each of the parties is obligated to use its best efforts to vote all shares beneficially owned by it in accordance with the terms of the 1990 shareholders' agreement, which terminates on March 17, 1992.

After the issuance of 3.22 million shares of F.A. Computer common stock, Cheyenne and Gates respectively own approximately 48.7% and 31.3% of F.A. Computer's outstanding shares.

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#90302c0089 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Continental Ventures Inc.(TICKER: COVI) earned $42,955 (including an extraordinary gain of $17,180), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $131,775 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $54,419 (including an extraordinary gain of $21,765), or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $136,602 for fiscal 1989.

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#90302c0090 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows J.W. Mays Inc. lost $1.24 million (including a loss of $437,549 from discontinued operations), or $0.57 per share, on revenues of $7.08 million for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $11.96 million (including a loss of $4.91 million from discontinued operations and an extraordinary gain of $4.47 million), or $5.49 per share, on revenues of $26.71 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 627

#90302c0091 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:11 that trade in International Mobile Machines Corp.(NASDAQ: IMMC) has been resumed. The first sale was 5; up 5/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90302c0092 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Cabot Oil & Gas Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CBT. Trading was resumed at 10:11.

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#90302c0093 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Cabot Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CBT. Trading was resumed at 10:11.

-30- 334
#90302c0094 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Roberts Oil and Gas Inc.(TICKER: ROGI) lost $162,138, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $17,247 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $161,789, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $81,077 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 473
#90302c0096 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows American Telecommunications Corp.(TICKER: AMTT) lost $200,508 (including a gain of $183,000 from discontinued operations), or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $12.14 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $753,036 (including a loss of $47,023 from discontinued operations and an extraordinary gain of $1.77 million), or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $12.51 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 657
#90302c0097 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Sandata Inc.(TICKER: SAND) earned $50,774, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $2.76 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $76,602, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $3.18 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 470
#90302c0098 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Laser Master International Inc.(TICKER: LCII) earned $153,068, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.71 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net income of $41,380, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of

$1.21 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 495
#90302c0099 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.H. BECKER OWNS 83,100 SHARES (5.03%) OF CFSB BANCORP INC (TICKER: CFSB) OF LANSING, MI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 16, 1990, options to purchase 39,100 shares at $9 per share became exercisable.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

R.H. Becker purchased 4,000 shares from Aug. 16 to Oct. 12, 1990 for $8 to $8.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90302c0100 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STEEL PARTNERS LP OWNS 311,400 SHARES (8.80%) OF KINARK CORP (TICKER: KIN) OF TULSA, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 22, 1990, Steel Partners sent a letter to Kinark Corp.'s board offering to acquire all outstanding common shares for $6.50 per share consisting of $5.50 in cash and shares of a new series of preferred stock.

PURPOSE:

Offer to purchase shares.

-30- 567

#90302c0101 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J.J. PINTO OWNS 797,775 SHARES (8.80%) OF BISCAYNE HOLDINGS INC (TICKER: BHA) OF MIAMI, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Xcor Partners Ltd. distributed to its partners its stake in Biscayne Holdings Inc. J.J. Pinto received 746,676 shares as part of the distribution.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 508

#90302c0102 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 45

GROUP LED BY HERITAGE MEDIA CORP OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 3,275,225 SHARES (83.30%) OF POP RADIO CORP (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 23, 1990, Heritage Media Corp. were informed that a notice of appeal to the order approving the settlement agreement was filed by Bruce T. Dugan, an alleged former holder of 1,250 shares. The appeal only relates to the portion of the agreement that provides for the payment of $.25 per share to persons who held shares at Nov. 1, 1989 an who sold such shares prior to Feb. 23, 1990.

-30- 746

#90302c0104 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows United Software Security Inc.(TICKER: USSI) lost $14,222, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $111,182 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $140,165, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $409,701 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 501

#90302c0105 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Generation 5 Technology Inc.(TICKER: GFIV) lost $134,877, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $423,952 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $36,622 (including a loss of $1,986 from discontinued operations), or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $381,772 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 538

#90302c0106 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Davidson Tisdale Mines Ltd.(TICKER: DDTT) lost $15,162.13 on revenues of $23,136.30 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $6,981.58 on revenues of $38,949.02 for the same period in 1989.

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#90302c0107 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pacific International Services Corp.(TICKER: PISC) earned $506,992, or $0.08 per share on revenues of $19.93 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $347,218, or $0.06 per share, on revenues of $18.14 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 516

#90302c0108 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Bancorp (TICKER: FBNC) earned $521,731, or $0.38 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $492,250, or $0.36 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90302c0109 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Memory Sciences Corp.(TICKER: MEMX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,494	$23,925
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(186,592)	$(187,094)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.10)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,275,000	1,950,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Nov. 30,1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$643,595	$1,153,544
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$621,885	$1,092,553

-30- 1013

#90302c0110 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by TechKnits Inc.(TICKER: KNIT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,500,238	$3,799,993
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$134,237	$244,951
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,700,000	5,700,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb. 28,1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$14,846,654	$10,964,398
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$7,725,771	$7,696,185

-30- 1003

#90302c0112 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Earth Sciences Inc.(TICKER: ESCI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$22,000	$17,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(147,000)	$(287,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,096,000	$15,396,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$3,509,000	$3,970,000

-30- 976

#90302c0113 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mexco Energy Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$93,558	$51,065
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$25,836	$11,058
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,152,229	1,152,229

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$664,673	$657,657
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$643,918	$640,215

-30- 987
#90302c0114 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - President Bush is expected to sign into law a package of securities reforms passed by the House last Friday which would give the Securities and Exchange Commission greater authority to prosecute securities fraud on a global basis.

The bill, which was approved by the Senate on Thursday, would allow the SEC to cooperate with foreign governments during the investigation of securities violations, including insider trading cases.

It also gives the SEC greater jurisdiction in its sanctioning of securities professionals over foreign securities law violations and grants the SEC an exemption from the Freedom of Information Act to ensure confidential treatment of records by foreign securities authorities.

The measure seeks to improve the information flow between shareholders and share issuers by requiring banks and brokers to forward proxy materials to mutual fund shareholders and provides the SEC with funding levels of $178 million for fiscal year 1990 and $212.6 million for fiscal 1991.

"This omnibus bill sends yet another message to the marketplace that the pathology of greed that characterized the 1980s is over," said Rep. Edward Markey (D-Mass.), the chairman of the House subcommittee which oversees the SEC.

-30- 1501
#90302c0115 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 23

ANNOUNCEMENT:

NII (TICKER: NII) announced on Oct. 25, 1990 that a preliminary count indicates that a sufficient number of units have been tendered for the previously described amendment to Permian Partners LP's partnership agreement that will allow NII to purchase all such tendered shares.

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#90302c0116 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 22, 1990, Smith Technologies Inc. entered into an extension and modification agreement which amended the terms of the first installment of the option to purchase 5.5 million shares granted pursuant to an Apr. 13, 1990 option agreement to extend the exercisable period for 10 days from Nov. 11, 1990 and the option to purchase will be exercisable from Nov. 23-27, 1990.

-30- 604
#90302c0117 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY SANTA ROSA FUND OWNS 85,000 SHARES (5.20%) OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCAST SYS LTD (TICKER: IBTV) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Santa Rosa Fund purchased 85,000 shares from July 11 to Oct. 17, 1990 for $1.38 to $1.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 493
#90302c0118 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY J.H. DAVIS OWNS 158,200 SHARES (6.70%) OF METRO BANCSHARES INC (TICKER: MTBS) OF JERICHO, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.H. Davis purchased 26,000 shares from Aug. 6 to Oct. 2, 1990 for $4.94 to $7 per share and sold 9,900 shares on Oct. 15, 1990 for $4.63 per share.

-30- 480
#90302c0120 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

H.D. FRIEND OWNS 323,490 SHARES (16.50%) OF EXPORT TYRE HOLDING CO (TICKER: TYRE) OF PHOENIX, AZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 10, 1990, Wesco Investment Corp., a subsidiary of D & S Development Co. Inc. cancelled a lease of real property with Export Tyre Ltd. and the company. At the time of the cancellation a moratorium of rent payments was in effect and the rental obligation through the term of the lease was $3220,000. In connection with such lease cancellation, the company's subsidiary paid the lessor $130,567 and the company issued the lessor a warrant expiring Sept. 9, 2000 to purchase 145,010 common shares of the company at $1.0625 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 17, 1990, Mr. Friend purchased 125,990 shares of the company's common stock on the open market at the purchase price of $1.08 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1073
#90302c0121 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

148233 CANADA INC OWNS 36,337,662 SHARES (12.50%) OF TEVA PHARMACEUTICAL INDS (TICKER: TEVIY) OF TIKVA, ISRAEL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 10, 1988, 148233 and Teva entered into an investment agreement providing for the sale by a Teva subsidiary to 148233 of 13,266,000 ordinary shares for U.S. $6,235,020, and the issuance by Teva to 148233 of two unsecured convertible capital notes for a purchase price of U.S. $16,300,000; the closing occurred on Oct. 11, 1988. 148233 agreed not to transfer the ordinary shares without the consent of Teva.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 9-30, 1990, 148233 Canada Inc. purchased 10,000 ADRs, representing

120,000 ordinary shares, for $10.63 to $10.75 per ADR, and 719,876 ordinary shares at $.89 to $.975 per share.

-30- 985
#90302c0122 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M. STEINFELD OWNS 2,737,123 SHARES (29.90%) OF SHELBY WILLIAMS INDUSTRIES (TICKER: SY) OF CHICAGO, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 27, 1990 through Oct. 17, 1990, M. Steinfeld purchased 218,491 shares at a price of $5.88 to $7.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 489
#90302c0123 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

K. WELLS OF LAS VEGAS, NEVADA OWNS 502,666 SHARES (4.40%) OF CELLCOM CORP (TICKER: CLCM) OF LAS VEGAS, NV.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a voting trust agreement entered into as of June 30, 1987, all 502,666 shares of common stock beneficially owned by Mr. Wells are subject to a voting trust of which Jay H. Brown is trustee and voting nominee. The trust is for a term of ten years and presently consists of an aggregate of 572,666 shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 4, 1990, K. Wells sold 50,000 shares at a price of $2.375 per share.

-30- 744
#90302c0124 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K

report filed at the NASD by Prima Energy Corp.(TICKER: PENG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,145,937	$4,059,347
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,506,023	$581,185
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.73	$0.31
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,053,362	1,883,578

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,981,112	$11,436,396
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$9,744,282	$8,364,166

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#90302c0125 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Turf Paradise Inc.(TICKER: TURF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$74,954,560	$71,429,682
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$256,746	$(1,219,133)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$(0.48)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$20,455,371	$22,166,509
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$11,645,235	$11,395,331

-30- 977

#90302c0126 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Rabbit Software Corp.(TICKER: RABT) on Oct. 19, 1990, engaged KPMG Peat Marwick as its independent accountants, replacing the firm of Deloitte & Touche in that capacity.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90302c0128 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by United Services Advisors Inc.(TICKER: USVS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,299,425	$6,268,304
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$354,784	$112,612
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,019,284	$311,536
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.24	$0.08
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,289,155	3,860,237

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,896,034	$3,457,932
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$3,576,425	$1,063,158

-30- 1056

#90302c0129 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K

report filed at the NASD by Checkrobot Inc.(TICKER: CKRB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended May 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,060,000	$1,165,600
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(6,148,300)	$(4,112,400)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.87)	$(0.75)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,581,500	6,125,700

BALANCE SHEET

	May 31, 1990	May 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,983,400	$9,648,400
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$3,155,500	$8,936,600

-30- 1010
#90302c0130 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Imnet Inc.(TICKER: IMGE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,729,000	$7,610,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,875,000)	$(2,237,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.13)	$(0.16)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	14,468,523	14,218,523

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	Oct. 31,1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$50,415,000	$59,112,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$16,394,000	$17,835,000

-30- 1002
#90302c0131 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Immunomedics Inc.(TICKER: IMMU).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,777,957	$3,964,197
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,822,963)	$(1,258,676)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	23,074,119	22,706,077

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,093,795	$10,603,833
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$7,387,760	$9,210,723

-30- 1013
#90302c0132 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by ERC Industries Inc.(TICKER: ERCI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,695,000	$3,961,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$433,000	$231,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	13,864,000	13,864,000

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$12,471,000	$11,864,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$5,663,000	$4,325,000

-30- 1016
#90302c0133 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

GROUP LED BY DYSON KISSNER MORAN CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 16,742,100 SHARES (37.01%) OF CONQUEST EXPLORATION CO (TICKER: CQX) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 21, 1990, DKM agreed to sell 5 million preferred shares to American Exploration Co. for $21 million. The agreement was made in connection with a merger agreement of the same date among AEC, AX Acquisition Corp. (a subsidiary of AEC), and Conquest pursuant to which AX will be merged with and into Conquest with Conquest as the survivor. Approximately 88 percent of Conquest Exploration Co.'s shares will be exchanged for .44 shares of AEC and the remaining 12 percent will be converted into $1.90 per share. Pursuant to the preferred purchase agreement, DKM has agreed to certain standstill provisions and has entitled AEC certain rights to acquire AEC shares received as a result of the merger.

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#90302c0134 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY SECURITY PACIFIC CORP OF LOS ANGELES, CA OWNS 2,069,434 SHARES (34.50%) OF HAL INC (TICKER: HA) OF HONOLULU, HI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Security Pacific Corp. was granted a warrant on Dec. 29, 1989 to purchase 224,433 shares pursuant to a credit agreement as compensation for the advancement of funds. On Oct. 16, 1990, the warrant was amended to increase the number of shares to 2,069,434 shares, giving Security Pacific Corp. a 42 percent, before exercise of the warrants. The stake listed was figured on a fully diluted basis.

-30- 744

#90302c0136 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GSI ACQUISITION CO LP OWNS 1,615,200 SHARES (29.03%) OF CASUAL MALE CORP (TICKER: CMLQ) OF SHREWSBURY, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

GSI Acquisition Co. LP acquired their shares pursuant to an asset purchase agreement dated July 24, 1989 between GSAIC LP and Goldome, Goldome Corp., Goldome Strategic Investment Corp. and Goldome Strategic Real Estate Investments Inc. in exchange for $10 million. On Apr. 4, 1990, Casual Male Corp. and each of its wholly owned subsidiaries filed for chapter 11 reorganization. On Oct. 16, 1990, GSAIC LP entered into a proxy and agreement with respect to the acquisition of assets of Casual Male Corp. and its subsidiaries, by and among TCM Acquisition Corp. and each of Edward L. Tucker and Financo Investors Fund LP. Pursuant to the agreement, GSAIC LP granted TCM an irrevocable proxy for the period of Oct. 16 to Mar. 31, 1991 to vote GSAIC LP's shares with respect to any plan of reorganization presented to the shareholders of Casual Male Corp. for their approval.

-30- 1241
#90302c0137 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

E.L. TUCKER OWNS 1,361,400 SHARES (23.80%) OF CASUAL MALE CORP (TICKER: CMLQ) OF SHREWSBURY, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Apr. 4, 1990, Casual Male Corp. and each of its wholly owned subsidiaries filed for chapter 11 reorganization. On Oct. 16, 1990, GSI Acquisition Co. LP entered into a proxy and agreement with respect to the acquisition of assets of Casual Male Corp. and its subsidiaries, by and among TCM Acquisition Corp. and each of Edward L. Tucker and Financo Investors Fund LP. Pursuant to the agreement, GSAIC LP granted TCM an irrevocable proxy for the period of Oct. 16 to Mar. 31, 1991 to vote GSAIC LP's shares with respect to any plan of reorganization presented to the shareholders of the issuer for their approval.

-30- 938
#90302c0138 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.P. BIXBY OWNS 325,796 SHARES (5.20%) OF KANSAS CITY LIFE INSURANCE CO (TICKER: KCLI) OF KANSAS CITY, MO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 383
#90302c0139 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A.I. OXLER OWNS 321,332 SHARES (5.10%) OF KANSAS CITY LIFE INSURANCE CO (TICKER: KCLI) OF KANSAS CITY, MO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 383
#90302c0140 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - Belmoral Mines Ltd.9TICKER: BMEEF) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it lost $17.12 million, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $14.59 million for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $6.02 million, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $11.73 million for the same period ended a year earlier.

The company's executive office is located at 111 Richmond St. W., Suite 1215, Toronto, Ontario, M5H 2G4.

-30- 632
#90302c0141 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Premier Financial Services Inc.9TICKER: PREM) earned $1.98 million for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 vs. earning $1.73 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 405
#90302c0142 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - Lev Scientific Industries Ltd.(TICKER: LEVS) filed a Form 20-F with the NASD stating it lost $157,123, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $3,461 for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $453,065, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1,062 in fiscal 1989.

Since its inception, the company has been involved in the research, development and scaling up to a commercial product of a cancer diagnostic kit, called the Urilev Kit.

The company's executive offices are located at 575 Richards Street, 4th Floor, Vancouver, British Columbia V6B 2Z7.

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

-30- 811

#90302c0144 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 22, 1990, U.S. Technologies Inc.(TICKER: USXX) entered into a loan agreement providing for a revolving line of credit in the amount of $500,000 with First Interstate Bank of Texas.

-30- 390

#90302c0145 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 24, 1990, Crown Andersen Inc.(TICKER: CRAN) elected Dr. J. Don Brock to fill a vacancy on the company's board of directors.

The vacancy was created when Mr. James Harris resigned to accept employment with a competitive firm.

-30- 453

#90302c0146 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 2 1990, Associated Mortgage Investors (TICKER: ASMS) appointed the following individuals as officers of the company:

Henry Yunes, - CEO/President
James R. Guerino, Exec. VP
Margaret M. Horvath - VP/Asst Secretary

On Oct. 2, 1990, Kenneth J. Witkin resigned as chief executive officer of Associated Mortgage to pursue other business interests.

On Aug. 15, 1990, Paul M. Corban resigned as executive vice president of Associated Mortgage to pursue other business interests.

On June 5, 1990, Associated Mortgage appointed Coopers & Lybrand as its independent accountants, replacing Touche Ross, who was dismissed by the company on March 5, 1990.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

-30- 1197

#90302c0147 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows American Mobile Systems Inc.(TICKER: AMSE) has preliminarily agreed to enter into a series of agreements with Johnson Communications Corp.

The agreements relate to the purchase by American Mobile from Johnson of certain assets, including specialized mobile radio systems of Johnson located in southeastern Florida for a total purchase price of approximately $1.5 million plus the value of related accounts receivable and inventory.

The agreements also relate to the formation of two joint ventures between American Mobile and Johnson.

The first would combine the specialized mobile radio systems of American Mobile and Johnson in central and western Florida and the second joint venture would combine the specialized mobile radio systems of American Mobile and Johnson in Atlanta, Georgia.

-30- 1045

#90302c0148 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY HENLEY GROUP INC DEL OF HAMPTON, N.H. OWNS 1,693,300 SHARES (4.20%) OF WHEELABRATOR TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: WTI) OF DANVERS, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a letter of agreement dated Oct. 25, 1990, Henley Group Inc. Del waived their option to purchase shares from Wheelabrator upon the issue of additional shares by Wheelabrator such that Henley Group Inc. Del would maintain their 7.3 percent stake. Henley Group Inc. Del have since ceased to

own more than 5 percent of Wheelabrator Technologies Inc.

-30- 743
#90302c0149 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

J.C. BENUM OWNS 1,841,496 SHARES (44.69%) OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP (TICKER: LENS) OF RAHWAY, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 4, 1990, J.C. Benum, gave a 42,000 common-share gift

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.C. Benum sold 39,000 shares from Aug. 23-29, 1990 for $3.38 to $4.88.

-30- 472
#90302c0150 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.E. BIXBY OWNS 1,208,839 SHARES (19.20%) OF KANSAS CITY LIFE INSUR CO (TICKER: KCLI) OF KANSAS CITY, MO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 383
#90302c0152 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The stockholders agreement, dated May 2, 1989, is no longer effective.

-30- 266
#90302c0153 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

W.E. FAY JR OWNS 411,000 SHARES (6.20%) OF Q MED INC (TICKER: QEKG) OF CLARK, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

W.E. Fay Jr. purchased 60,300 shares from Jan. 31 to Oct. 22, 1990 at unspecified prices.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 420
#90302c0154 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY A. BERGVALL OWNS 503,650 SHARES (16.35%) OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD (TICKER: BHM) OF HAMILTON, BERMUDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

A. Bergvall purchased 71,500 shares from Oct. 18-19, 1990 for $7.50 to $7.63 per share.

-30- 447
#90302c0155 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

D. GUTTMAN OWNS 1,425,000 SHARES (19.30%) OF CREATIVE TECHNOLOGIES CORP (TICKER: CRTV) OF BROOKLYN, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 408
#90302c0156 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY EUROCETUS INTERNATIONAL NV OWNS 12,414 SHARES (100.00%) OF CETUS CORP OF EMERYVILLE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an option agreement dated Dec. 30, 1986, EuroCetus has the option to purchase all units of Cetus Corp. during the period of Dec. 15, 1990 to Jan. 15, 1991 in exchange for 1,051,700 common shares of Cetus Corp., $4,267,000 in cash and certain installment payments through Dec. 31, 2005 based on sales of Cetus Corp.'s products.

-30- 669
#90302c0157 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - International Physical Systems Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 500,000 units.

Each unit consists of two shares of common stock and one warrant to purchase one share of common stock at $6.00.

The initial public offering price is expected to be $8.00 per unit.

Stratton Oakmont Inc. is underwriting the offering.

The company is a medical technical services firm which primarily provides mobile magnetic resonance imaging services to health care providers and their patients.

The company's executive office is located at One Park Plaza, Suite 860, Irvine CA 92714 and its telephone number is (714) 251-1300.

-30- 872
#90302c0158 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) COMTEX - First Bancorp (TICKER: FBNC) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer up to 920,000 shares of its common stock.

The shares are to be offered in connection with its acquisition of the common stock of First Federal Savings Bank of Lafayette to be issued upon the conversion of the bank from a federal mutual savings bank to a federal stock savings bank to be known as First Bank of Lafayette.

The offering price is $10.00 per share.

McDonald & Co. Securities, Trident Securities and City Securities Corp. are underwriting the offering.

First Bancorp, the holding company for the bank, has received approval to have its common stock quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "FBII" upon successful completion of the offering.

First Bancorp's executive office is located at 101 North Fourth Street, P.O. Box 1310, Lafayette, Indiana 47902 and its telephone number is (317) 423-2525.

-30- 1138

#90302c0160 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - Singapore Land Ltd.(TICKER: SINP) has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares, each representing one ordinary share of Singapore $1.00 par value of Singapore Land Ltd.

The depositary bank is Security Pacific National Trust Co. and its telephone number is (212) 978-5009.

Ten million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $5 per unit.

The registration fee is $125.00

-30- 658

#90302c0161 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - United Overseas Land Ltd. has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares, each representing one ordinary share of Singapore $1.00 par value of United Overseas Land Ltd.

The depositary bank is Security Pacific National Trust Co. and its telephone number is (212) 978-5009.

Ten million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $5 per unit.

The registration fee is $125.

-30- 660

#90302c0162 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - Aloette Cosmetics Inc.(TICKER: ALET) filed a Form S-3 registration statement with the SEC relating to 50,000 shares of Aloette common stock which may be sold by Butcher Corp.

The shares may be sold upon Butcher's exercise of a warrant to purchase up to 50,000 shares of common stock from Aloette.

The exercise price for the warrant is $14.40 per share of common stock.

On Oct. 22, 1990, the last sale price for the common stock, as reported by NASDAQ, was $10.75 per share.

-30- 677

#90302c0163 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - Credit Depot Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 640,000 shares of its common stock and 640,000 warrants.

Until the completion of the offering, shares of common stock and warrants may only be purchased together on the basis of one redeemable warrant and one share of common stock.

Immediately thereafter, the shares of common stock and the redeemable warrants will be separately tradeable.

Each redeemable warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock at a price of $5.50 per share.

The offering price per share is $5.50 and the offering price per warrant is $0.10.

Rosenkrantz Lyon & Ross Inc. is underwriting the offering.

Credit Depot provides high interest, short-term loans secured by first or junior mortgages on residential properties.

The company's executive office is located at 510 West Ave., Gainesville, Georgia 30501 and its telephone number is (404) 531-9927.

-30- 1178

#90302c0164 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - Murex Clinical Technologies Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 4,275,000 units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one common stock purchase warrant.

Two warrants entitle the holder to purchase one share of common stock at Cdn. $6.00 per common share.

The initial public offering price is Cdn. $6.00 per unit.

Murex develops, manufactures and markets proprietary and patented in vitro diagnostic test systems.

The company's executive office is located at Manulife Centre, Suite 400, 55 Bloor Street West, Toronto, Ontario Canada M4W 1A5.

Its telephone number is (416) 972-5122.

-30- 855

#90302c0165 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - Fleer Corp.(TICKER: FLER) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it is registering 2.1 million shares of its common stock to be offered by certain selling shareholders of the company.

Smith Barney Harris Upham is managing the offering.

Fleer Corp. is a marketer of sports picture cards and confectionary products.

The company's executive office is located at 10th Street & Somerville Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19141 and its telephone number is (215) 455-2000.

-30- 675

#90302c0166 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - Steel of West Virginia Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC relating to 325,000 shares of company common stock to be offered by Robert L. Bunting, Jr. to the employees of bunting Inc.(TICKER: BUNT).

Mr. Bunting is president and chief executive officer of the company.

It is the intention of Mr. Bunting to offer the shares at a price of $2.25 per share.

Should all the shares be sold, Mr. Bunting would then hold a total of 513,520

shares of the firm, representing 10.3% of the outstanding common stock.

Steel of West Virginia owns and operates a steel mini-mill in Huntington, West Virginia.

-30- 813

#90302c0168 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 23, 1990, Systonetics Inc.(TICKER: SSTO) notified Downey Savings & Loan, (TICKER: DSL) its primary creditor, that the company's assets would be surrendered in response to Downey's request of Oct. 15, 1990.

On Oct. 19, 1990, Systonetics relieved Fred H. Canfield, vice president, of his duties as an officer of the company.

Mr. Canfield was laid off in the normal course of operations, the company said.

The company's executive office is located at 770 Airport Blvd., Suite 240, Burlingame, CA 94010 and its telephone number is (415) 348-5625.

-30- 783

#90302c0169 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - Executive National Development Corp. filed a Form 8-K with the SEC stating on Oct. 17, 1990 its majority stockholder took action without a meeting pursuant to Florida statutes to remove Thomas A. Williams as the sole director of the company.

Margo R. Violette was named the new sole director of the company.

Executive National's principal offices are located at 129 S. Kentucky Ave., Lakeland, Florida 33801 and its telephone number is (813) 687-9000.

-30- 627

#90302c0170 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - BOYKIW CHILDRENS TRUST OF 15220 6TH SW, SEATTLE, WA 98166, HAS FILED TO SELL 184,839 SHARES OF CIMARRON CONSOLIDATED MINING & OIL THROUGH STERLING PACIFIC SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 23, 1990.

(CIMARRON CONSOLIDATED MINING & OIL TEL: 509 623-2550)

-30- 462

#90302c0171 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - M. HULS OF 7201 EAST CAMELBACK RD #210, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CENTURY PACIFIC CORP.(TICKER: CEPA) THROUGH BILTMORE EQUITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 24, 1990.

(CENTURY PACIFIC CORP. TEL: 602 957-0000)

-30- 422
#90302c0172 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.A. BERGDOLL OF 1110 35TH ST, OAK BROOK, IL 60521, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF SANFORD CORP.(TICKER: SANF) THROUGH WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 22, 1990.

(SANFORD CORP. TEL: 312 547-6650)

-30- 395
#90302c0173 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID G KLING OF 610 SOMERSET DR, SLINGERLANDS, NY 12159, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(MEGA GROUP INC. TEL: 518 439-9950)

-30- 401
#90302c0174 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AMERICAN DIVERSIFIED ENTERPRISES OF 711 FIFTH AVE, 8TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF HARRIER INC. (TICKER: HARE) THROUGH ALLEN & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(HARRIER INC. TEL: 213 376-7721)

-30- 429
#90302c0176 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK C POPE IV OF 4359 WHITEWATER CREEK RD, ATLANTA, GA 30327, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF GRAPHIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GRPH) THROUGH

SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(GRAPHIC INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 404 874-3327)

-30- 423
#90302c0177 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TERRENCE L DOVE OF P O BOX 18, MAGALIA, CA 95954, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BLOC DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: BDEV) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(BLOC DEVELOPMENT CORP. TEL: 305 445-0903)

-30- 414
#90302c0178 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID J BRINK OF 8641 MATTSON BROOK LANE, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55444, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF APA OPTICS INC. (TICKER: APAT) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(APA OPTICS INC. TEL: 612 784-4995)

-30- 412
#90302c0179 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES F SPIRO OF 355 NEPTUNES BIGHT, NAPLES, FL 33940, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF ROGERS CORP. (TICKER: ROG) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(ROGERS CORP. TEL: 203 774-9605)

-30- 388
#90302c0180 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A FISHMAN OF 3650 EAST SOUTH ST, 0, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712, HAS FILED TO SELL 160,000 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 426
#90302c0181 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JULIAN T ERWIN OF C/O ERWIN INDUSTRIES, P O BOX 1465, TAMPA, FL 33601, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. TEL: 813 224-1111)

-30- 447
#90302c0182 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ESBER FAMILY TRUST OF 1804 MCCARTHY BLVD, MILPITAS, CA 95035, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,500 SHARES OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(QUANTUM CORP. TEL: 408 432-1100)

-30- 408
#90302c0184 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM H GATES III OF 3509 43RD N E, 0, SEATTLE, WA 98105, HAS FILED TO SELL 350,000 SHARES OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(MICROSOFT CORP. TEL: 206 882-8080)

-30- 407
#90302c0185 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MASSMUTUAL CORP INVESTORS INC OF 1295 STATE ST, SPRINGFIELD, MA 01111, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,853 SHARES OF FAY'S INC. (TICKER: FAY) THROUGH HOWARD WEIL LABOUISSE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(FAY'S INC. TEL: 315 451-8000)

-30- 414
#90302c0186 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - MASSACHUSETTS MUTUAL LIFE INS CO OF 1295 STATE ST, SPRINGFIELD, MA 01111 HAS FILED TO SELL 29,853 SHARES OF FAY'S INC. (TICKER: FAY) THROUGH HOWARD WEIL LABOUISSE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(FAY'S INC. TEL: 315 451-8000)

-30- 429
#90302c0187 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L LOWE OF 400 FIRST CITY BANK TWR, 201 MAIN ST, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: WEXC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. TEL: 817 335-4701)

-30- 447
#90302c0188 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD J EGAN OF 171 SOUTH ST, 0, HOPKINTON, MA 01748, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF EMC CORP. (MA) (TICKER: EMC) THROUGH MOORS & CABOT. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(EMC CORP. (MA) TEL: 508 435-1000)

-30- 390
#90302c0189 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - POWELL THOMAS W TRUST OF 8550 MOSLEY DR, HOUSTON, TX 77075, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 713 944-6900)

-30- 426
#90302c0190 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - POWELL WILLIAM E TEST TR #1 OF 8550 MOSLEY DR, HOUSTON, TX 77075, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,950 SHARES OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL) THROUGH

ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 713 944-6900)

-30- 440
#90302c0192 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - POWELL THOMAS W TRUST OF 8550 MOSLEY DR, HOUSTON, TX 77075, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,850 SHARES OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 713 944-6900)

-30- 426
#90302c0193 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - POWELL WILLIAM E TEST TR #1 OF 8550 MOSLEY DR, HOUSTON, TX 77075, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,400 SHARES OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 713 944-6900)

-30- 440
#90302c0194 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - POWELL CHILDREN'S TRUST OF 8550 MOSLEY DR, HOUSTON, TX 77075, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,600 SHARES OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 713 944-6900)

-30- 432
#90302c0195 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELISABETH C ORTENBERG OF 300 EAST 56TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 110,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 419
#90302c0196 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLAIBORNE & ORTENBERG FOUNDATION OF 1441 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, NY 10018, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 443
#90302c0197 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ORTENBERG ARTHUR OF 300 EAST 56TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 110,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 409
#90302c0198 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD M FRANK OF 4607 VALLEY RIDGE, 0, DALLAS, TX 75220, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,500 SHARES OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC TEL: 214 659-0889)

-30- 421
#90302c0200 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL D SIMON OF 15450 SW KOLL PKWY, BEAVERTON, OR 97006, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SQNT) THROUGH BLACK & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 503 626-5700)

-30- 440
#90302c0201 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VERNON R LOUCKS JR OF ONE BAXTER PKWY, DEERFIELD, IL 60015, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,203 SHARES OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 708 948-3600)

-30- 423
#90302c0202 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH C SCHERPF OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,700 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH QUICK & REILLY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 409
#90302c0203 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL K GOLDMAN OF 9 FARM HAVEN COURT, ROCKVILLE, MD 20852, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. TEL: 703 934-3600)

-30- 447
#90302c0204 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD M FRANK OF 4607 VALLEY RIDGE, 0, DALLAS, TX 75220, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC TEL: 214 659-0889)

-30- 421
#90302c0205 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERIC BOLOKOFSKY OF 3148 SALEM, ROCHESTER HILLS, MI 48064, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ARBOR DRUGS INC. (TICKER: ARBR) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(ARBOR DRUGS INC. TEL: 313 643-9420)

-30- 410
#90302c0206 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - XARCHIVE INC OF 107 OAKWOOD DR, GLASTONBURY, CT 06033, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,598 SHARES OF DATAIMAGE INC. (TICKER: DATA) THROUGH LEGG MASON WOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(DATAIMAGE INC. TEL: 203 659-3980)

-30- 393
#90302c0208 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS R WAGGONER OF 286 EAST ALEGRIA AVE, SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,380 SHARES OF STAAR SURGICAL CO. (TICKER: STAA) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(STAAR SURGICAL CO. TEL: 818 303-7902)

-30- 425
#90302c0209 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES C WEBB OF 253 20TH ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90402, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,760 SHARES OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. TEL: 818 995-7000)

-30- 415
#90302c0210 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT A COHAN OF 8261 IRIS COURT, ARVADA, CO 80005, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF ASPEN EXPLORATION CORP. (TICKER: ASPN) THROUGH A T BROD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(ASPEN EXPLORATION CORP. TEL: 303 779-3666)

-30- 418
#90302c0211 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERTO RIVA OF 6421 N CONGESS AVE STE 105, BOCA RATON, FL 33487, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF FIRST MEDICAL INTL INC. (TICKER: HUGE) THROUGH G K SCOTT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(FIRST MEDICAL INTL INC. TEL: 407 241-6760)

-30- 427
#90302c0212 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DORY DOUD OF P O BOX 183, GILLETTE, WY 82717, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,646 SHARES OF VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS & RADIO INC (TICKER: VCRI) THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS & RADIO INC TEL: 307 686-9348)

-30- 440
#90302c0213 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY M PETRUCCI OF 2975 COUNTY RD 24, LONG LAKES, MN 55356, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF APA OPTICS INC. (TICKER: APAT) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(APA OPTICS INC. TEL: 612 784-4995)

-30- 410
#90302c0214 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER W HEINEMANN OF 424 UNIVERSITY AVE, LOS GATOS, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF TRIMBLE NAVIGATION LTD. (TICKER: TRMB) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(TRIMBLE NAVIGATION LTD. TEL: 408 730-2900)

-30- 435
#90302c0216 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, PETROFINA DELAWARE INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), BOUGHT 200 CLASS A SHARES AT $73.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90302c0217 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, PETROFINA DELAWARE INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), BOUGHT 300 CLASS A SHARES AT $73.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90302c0218 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 16, 1990, P.G. GERRY, DIR. OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: AX), SOLD 301,150 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 318,602.

-30- 321
#90302c0219 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 14, 1990, P.G. GERRY, DIR. OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: AX), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90302c0220 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 17, 1990, P.G. GERRY, DIR. OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: AX), SOLD 193,100 SHARES AT $4.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124,002.

-30- 322
#90302c0221 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 15, 1990, W.W. CARTER, PRES. OF CHASE CORP.(TICKER: CTE) BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,309.

-30- 291
#90302c0222 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, H.L. LEASON, CHAIRMAN OF FILTERTEK INC.(TICKER: FILT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90302c0224 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 8, 1990, H.L. LEASON, CHAIRMAN OF FILTERTEK INC.(TICKER: FILT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 289,000.

-30- 307
#90302c0225 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, DAVID W MARTIN, OFFICER OF ADOBE RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: ADB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90302c0226 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JOEL MOSES, DIR. OF ANALOG DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ADI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,333.

-30- 304
#90302c0227 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DAVID E GRANGE JR, DIR. OF ALLIED RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: ARAI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 320
#90302c0228 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JOSEPH M FARLEY, DIR. OF AMSOUTH BANCORP. (TICKER: ASO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,017.

-30- 310

#90302c0229 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, WILLIAM J ARMANINO, PRES. OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE), SOLD 916,665 SHARES AT $0.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,164,259.

-30- 354
#90302c0230 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ELI BROAD, CHAIRMAN OF BROAD INC. (TICKER: BRO), BOUGHT 280,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,226,712.

-30- 303
#90302c0232 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, NATHANIEL D GROSS, PRES. OF BELL SAVINGS HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: BSBX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,342.

-30- 336
#90302c0233 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, NATHANIEL D GROSS, PRES. OF BELL SAVINGS HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: BSBX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,342.

-30- 338
#90302c0234 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WILLIAM J SLOBODA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CENTURY BANCORP INC. (MASS) (TICKER: CNBK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 353
#90302c0235 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, WILLIAM J BOSIES JR, VP OF CAPITAL HOLDING CORP.

(TICKER: CPH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 217.

-30- 312
#90302c0236 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, ANN CRITTENDEN, SHAREHOLDER OF CROP GENETICS INTERNATIONAL N.V. (TICKER: CROP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90302c0237 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ANN CRITTENDEN, SHAREHOLDER OF CROP GENETICS INTERNATIONAL N.V. (TICKER: CROP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90302c0238 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ANN CRITTENDEN, SHAREHOLDER OF CROP GENETICS INTERNATIONAL N.V. (TICKER: CROP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90302c0240 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ANN CRITTENDEN, SHAREHOLDER OF CROP GENETICS INTERNATIONAL N.V. (TICKER: CROP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90302c0241 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ANN CRITTENDEN, SHAREHOLDER OF CROP GENETICS INTERNATIONAL N.V. (TICKER: CROP), SOLD 48,300 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,700.

-30- 354
#90302c0242 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, PAUL W GLASS, DIR. OF CU BANCORP. (TICKER: CUBN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $9.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,700.

-30- 297
#90302c0243 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LEOPOLD COHEN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF DIGITAL PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: DIPC), SOLD 148,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 778,482.

-30- 358
#90302c0244 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, KEVIN J ROCHE, OFFICER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,744.

-30- 306
#90302c0245 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90302c0246 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90302c0248 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90302c0249 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, EUGENE D MICCI, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,500.

-30- 304
#90302c0250 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, FRED S HUBBELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EQUITABLE OF IOWA COS. (TICKER: EQIC), BOUGHT 122 SHARES AT $21.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,301.

-30- 343
#90302c0251 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, PETER TOWER, DIR. OF FIRST EMPIRE STATE CORP. (TICKER: FES), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90302c0252 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, PETER TOWER, DIR. OF FIRST EMPIRE STATE CORP. (TICKER: FES), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $49.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90302c0253 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, PETER TOWER, DIR. OF FIRST EMPIRE STATE CORP. (TICKER: FES), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $49.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 104,426.

-30- 319
#90302c0254 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ROBERT N MANN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (CA) (TICKER: FN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90302c0256 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ROBERT N MANN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (CA) (TICKER: FN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90302c0257 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ROBERT N MANN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (CA) (TICKER: FN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90302c0258 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ROBERT N MANN, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. (CA) (TICKER: FN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90302c0259 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MASON Y GARRETT, PRES. OF FIRST UNITED BANCORP.(ANDERSON,CS) (TICKER: FUSC), BOUGHT 2,178 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 89,510.

-30- 353
#90302c0260 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 23, 1990, DONALD C ROBERTS, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED BANCORP.(ANDERSON,CS) (TICKER: FUSC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90302c0261 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 27, 1990, GEORGE E STONE, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED BANCORP.(ANDERSON CS) (TICKER: FUSC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90302c0262 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90302c0264 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $48.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90302c0265 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $48.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90302c0266 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $47.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90302c0267 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $46.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90302c0268 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HELGA HAUB, DIR. OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $46.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,179,100.

-30- 345
#90302c0269 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, RICHARD I SAMUEL, SHAREHOLDER OF GEOTEK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GOTK), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 328
#90302c0270 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, HARVEY A WEINBERG, CHAIRMAN OF HARTMARX CORP. (TICKER: HMX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,882.

-30- 316
#90302c0272 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, WILLIAM E BIERLIN JR, CHAIRMAN OF HOPPER SOLIDAY CORP. (TICKER: HS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,000.

-30- 330
#90302c0273 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, SCOTT H SHACKELTON, OFFICER OF INTERNATIONAL GAME TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: IGAM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,872.

-30- 346
#90302c0274 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, STANLEY J BRIGHT, PRES. OF IOWA-ILLINOIS GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: IWG), SOLD 150 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90302c0275 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ELI BROAD, CHAIRMAN OF KAUFMAN & BROAD HOME CORP. (TICKER: KBH), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,049,113.

-30- 336
#90302c0276 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ROBERT X KELLEHER, VP OF LONG ISLAND LIGHTING CO. (TICKER: LIL), SOLD 636 SHARES AT $17.71 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 118.

-30- 318
#90302c0277 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, JOHN R SLOAN, PRES. OF ARIS CORP. (TICKER: LMNT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90302c0278 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, JOHN R SLOAN, PRES. OF ARIS CORP. (TICKER: LMNT), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 247,700.

-30- 293
#90302c0280 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WESLEY W VON SCHACK, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $19.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 309
#90302c0281 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, CORNELIUS J PINGS, DIR. OF MAXTOR CORP. (TICKER: MXTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 299
#90302c0282 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLIAM W JOHNSON, SHAREHOLDER OF NCNB CORP. (TICKER: NCB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,346.

-30- 318
#90302c0283 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, WILLIAM A INGLEHART, PRES. OF PAYCO AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: PAYC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90302c0284 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JAMES J MOYNIHAN, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,440.

-30- 336
#90302c0285 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JAMES J MOYNIHAN, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,570.

-30- 339
#90302c0286 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, ROBERT D KUNISCH, CHAIRMAN OF PHH CORP. (TICKER: PHH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90302c0288 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, RONALD DEWAAL, DIR. OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT),

BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 967,763.

-30- 306
#90302c0289 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, R HARWOOD BEVILLE, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 346,971.

-30- 302
#90302c0290 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, R HARWOOD BEVILLE, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 302
#90302c0291 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, R HARWOOD BEVILLE, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 354,971.

-30- 300
#90302c0292 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, R HARWOOD BEVILLE, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90302c0293 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, R HARWOOD BEVILLE, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), BOUGHT 4,800 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90302c0294 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, R HARWOOD BEVILLE, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS),

BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,000.

-30- 301
#90302c0296 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, DONNA L WAGNER, DIR. OF SENIOR SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: SENR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 303
#90302c0297 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ERNEST W BAUMGARDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD LOGIC INC. (TICKER: STDL), BOUGHT 1,699,550 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,835,681.

-30- 385
#90302c0298 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, PAUL FRIEDMAN, SHAREHOLDER OF STORAGE TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: STK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90302c0299 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, PAUL FRIEDMAN, SHAREHOLDER OF STORAGE TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: STK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 338
#90302c0300 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1989, UNO ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF UNO RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: UNO), SOLD 450,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,923,333.

-30- 337
#90302c0301 10/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, HARRY WOOLF, DIR. OF WESTMARK INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WMRK), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 312
#90302c0302 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, RANDY DIRTH, VP OF WILLIAMS-SONOMA INC. (TICKER: WSGC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 299
#90302c0304 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 22

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Eastern Utilities Assoc. has extended its offer until Jan. 11, 1990.

-30- 265
#90302c0306 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY R.J. AVILA OWNS 198,500 SHARES (6.10%) OF LEISURE CONCEPTS INC (TICKER: LCIC) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 19 through 23, 1990, R.J. Avila purchased 33,000 shares at a price of $2 per share.

-30- 427
#90302c0307 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY RH ACQUISITION CORP OWNS 190,220,000 SHARES (68.50%) OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC (TICKER: MKC) OF KANSAS CITY, MO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

A total of 713,505 shares were acquired through open market purchases and an additional 300,000 shares were acquired from The Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation through a privately negotiated transaction. To enable the charitable endeavors of the Foundation to be funded, Dow agreed to waive transfer restrictions imposed pursuant to the stock option agreement with respect to 300,000 shares held by a Remainder Unitrust created under an agreement dated June 3, 1988. By waiver dated Oct. 22, 1990, Dow agreed to permit the shares to be donated by the Unitrust to the Foundation; Dow then purchased the shares from the Foundation. The stock option agreement was executed among Dow, RH Acquisition Corp. and certain named stockholders and filed July 21, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 30 through Oct. 24, 1990 RH Acquisition Corp. purchased an additional 1,013,505 shares of Marion Merrell Dow Inc.'s common stock at a price of $29.75 to $33.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares.

-30- 1379
#90302c0308 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On or about Oct. 13, 1990, IEP entered into an agreement with Petroleum Helicopters Inc.(TICKER: PHEL), whereby IEP agreed to sell to Petroleum Helicopters Inc., all of Petroleum Helicopters Inc.'s shares owned by IEP. On Oct. 25, 1990, IEP and Petroleum Helicopters Inc. consummated the agreed upon transaction; as a result, IEP has no interest in Petroleum Helicopters Inc. The 473,638 shares together with all of IEP's holdings in Offshore Navigation Inc., consisting of 213,516 shares of common stock, were sold to Petroleum Helicopters Inc. for an aggregated purchase price of $17,769,003.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 25, 1990, Industrial Equity Pacific LTD sold 473,638 shares of Petroleum Helicopters Inc. at an undisclosed per share price.

PURPOSE:

Transactions in shares.

-30- 1039
#90302c0309 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY D.A. SILLERS JR OWNS 277,984 SHARES (19.51%) OF PEERLESS MANUFACTURING CO (TICKER: PMFG) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Jan. 16, 1990, Mrs. Sillers ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the common stock and no longer has reporting obligations relative to the schedule 13d as concluded by this amendment. Pursuant to a three-for-two stock split distributed on July 20, 1990 to holders of record on June 29, 1990, 73,945 shares were acquired by Donal A. Sillers, Jr., which includes 21,000 shares acquired by the Trust and 18,716 shares were acquired by Laura B. Sillers.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Jan. 16 through July 20, 1990, D.A. Sillers acquired 92,661 shares pursuant to stock split for no further consideration; sold 45,660 shares at a price of $25.91 to $34 per share; and acquired as a gift 17,400 shares and disposed as a gift 43,500 shares.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1157
#90302c0310 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 415,200 SHARES (45.13%) OF THE LVI

GROUP INC (TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 24, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. sold 9,800 shares at a price of $0.303 per share.

-30- 430
#90302c0311 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY WILSHIRE OIL CO OF TEXAS OF JERSEY CITY, NJ OWNS 1,267,340 SHARES (11.20%) OF JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP INC (TICKER: JEC) OF PASADENA, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On undisclosed dates, Wilshire Oil Co. of Texas purchased an aggregate of 90,000 shares for an aggregate amount of $1,755,184.

-30- 516
#90302c0313 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

MOUNT VERNON MILLS INC OWNS 456,492 CLASS B SHARES (19.41%) OF THOMASTON MILLS INC (TICKER: TMST) OF THOMASTON, GA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 17, 1990, Mount Vernon Mills Inc. purchased 52,039 class A shares for $15 per share and 15,513 class B shares for $17 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 516
#90302c0314 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

H.N. HEBERT OF FAIRFAX, VA OWNS 35,000 SHARES (1.30%) OF DBA SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: DBAS) OF MALBOURNE, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 8, 1990, the Howard N. Hebert Trust 1986-1 was amended and restated such that H.N. Herbert resigned as trustee and the shares were considered to be sold. Stock option covering 40,000 shares have expired since the last filing and the trust sold 1,332 shares on Jan. 10, 1990.

-30- 610
#90302c0315 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 22, 1990, a lawsuit was filed in Ohio in connection with the merger.

-30- 270
#90302c0316 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY W.M. GRIFFIN OF HARTFORD, CT OWNS 406,000 SHARES (5.87%) OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC (TICKER: COFI) OF CLEVELAND, OH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

W.M. Griffin purchased 95,600 shares from Aug. 27 to Oct. 22, 1990 for $9.75 to $10.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 502
#90302c0317 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

ITEL CORP OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 3,837,522 SHARES (20.50%) OF AMERICAN PRESIDENT CO LTD (TICKER: APS) OF OAKLAND, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 18, 1990, American President Company LTD informed Itel that it has filed a request with the Maritime Administration for permission for Samuel Zell, chairman of Itel, and Rod F. Dammeyer, president of Itel, to serve as directors of American President Company LTD. If and when American President Company LTD receives permission, it intends to propose to the nominating committee of American President Company LTD's board that it recommend that it increase its authorized number of directors by two and elect Zell and Dammeyer.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Itel Corp. purchased 140,200 shares from Jan. 23-31, 1990 for $23.66 to $25.50.

-30- 988
#90302c0318 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Rio Algom LTD (TICKER: ROM) tendered 868,812 Continental Gold Corp. (TICKER: CNTV) shares, its entire stake, at Cdn.$20 per share in connection with a tender offer for all Continental Gold Corp. shares by Placer Dome Inc. and 385279 BC Ltd.

-30- 454
#90302c0319 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY DESAI CAPITAL MGMT INC OWNS 422,148 SHARES (4.83%) OF R.F. WESTON INC (TICKER: WSTN) OF WEST CHESTER, PA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 26, 1990 ELI-II acquired $750,000 principal amount of debentures and Vangard purchased $250,000 principal amount of the debentures.

-30- 481
#90302c0321 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

D.E. LEGERE OWNS 2,000,000 SHARES (8.78%) OF AUDRE RECOGNITION SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: ADRE) OF SAN DIEGO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 415
#90302c0322 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 30

L. BALTER OWNS 131,000 SHARES (5.30%) OF SUNLITE INC (TICKER: SNLT) OF ALPHARETTA, GA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 18 and Oct. 22, 1990 L. Balter purchased 43,261 shares at $4.16 to $4.18 per share.

-30- 400
#90302c0323 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP OF CINCINNATI, OH OWNS 17,161,725 SHARES (48.50%) OF SPELLING ENTERTAINMENT INC (TICKER: SP).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 439
#90302c0324 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 17

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 28, 1990, the company and Kansas Power and Light Co. signed a merger agreement that was approved by the boards of both companies. KCPL has agreed to pay $32 in cash or KCPL stock for each common share of Kansas Gas & Electric Co.(TICKER: KGE) and $110 in cash for the 4.5 percent preferred, $101 for the 4.28 percent preferred and $101.54 for each 4.32 percent preferred share of Kansas Gas & Electric Co.

-30- 652
#90302c0328 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY SCOTTISH AMICABLE INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD 430,000 SHARES (7.60%) OF INTERVOICE INC (TICKER: INTV) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Scottish Amicable Investment Managers LTD purchased 156,000 shares from July 18-25, 1990 for $12.63 to $13.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 516
#90302c0329 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

N.H. TREGENZA OWNS 3,200,000 SHARES (5.70%) OF INVESTMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: IVES) OF EDISON, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

N.H. Tregenza acquired the shares and warrants on July 19, 1990 in a single transaction through a private placement by Investment Technologies Inc. N.H. Tregenza acquired one C warrant with each share purchased, which in convertible into one share and one class D warrant, which in turn in convertible into one common share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 701
#90302c0331 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY UNIVERSAL PROCESS EQUIPMENT INC OWNS 197,300 SHARES (13.10%) OF BETHLEHEM CORP (TICKER: BET) OF EASTON, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Universal Process Equipment Inc. purchased 16,300 shares from Aug. 3 to Sept. 10, 1990 for $1.63 to $2 per share.

-30- 471
#90302c0333 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

R.F. HUSSEY OWNS 240,224 SHARES (6.20%) OF POP RADIO CORP (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.F. Hussey was notified that on Oct. 15, 1990 the settlement agreement was approved by a final order and judgement. On Oct. 23, 1990, R.F. Hussey was

notified that the company was served with a notice of appeal from the judgement on behalf of Bruce T. Dugan, an alleged former holders of 1,250 shares, who was entitled to a payment of $,25 per share under the settlement agreement. Dugan was the only objector at the hearing on Oct. 9, 1990 to consider the fairness of the settlement agreement. On Oct. 24, 1990, the company was serviced with Dugan's civil pre-argument statement on his previously reported appeal from the judgement. On Oct. 26, 1990, the company was served with Dugan's notice of withdrawal of appeal, which withdraws with prejudice his appeal from judgement and Heritage agreed to suspend its right to terminate the merger agreement until Nov. 30, 1990 and to exercise such right only if the merger is not consummated prior to Nov. 30, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Settlement agreement.

-30- 1328
#90302c0334 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 15, 1990 the settlement agreement was approved by a final order and judgement. On Oct. 23, 1990, R. K. Gray was notified that the company was served with a notice of appeal from the judgement on behalf of Bruce T. Dugan, an alleged former holders of 1,250 shares, who was entitled to a payment of $.25 per share under the settlement agreement. Dugan was the only objector at the hearing on Oct. 9, 1990 to consider the fairness of the settlement agreement. On Oct. 24, 1990, the company was serviced with Dugan's civil pre-argument statement on his previously reported appeal from the judgement. On Oct. 26, 1990, the company was served with Dugan's notice of withdrawal of appeal, which withdraws with prejudice his appeal from judgement and Heritage agreed to suspend its right to terminate the merger agreement until Nov. 30, 1990 and to exercise such right only if the merger is not consummated prior to Nov. 30, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Settlement agreement.

-30- 1214
#90302c0335 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY ACADEMY MERGERCO INC OWNS 40,386,833 SHARES (55.60%) OF ACADEMY INSURANCE GROUP INC (TICKER: ACIG) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 25, 1990, Academy Insurance Group Inc. announced that its board had approved the merger agreement with Mergerco that provides for a payment of $1.325 per share to shareholders in exchange for their shares.

PURPOSE:

Approval of merger agreement.

-30- 624
#90302c0336 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

WES-TEX DRILLING CO OF ABILENE, TX OWNS 872,488 SHARES (7.89%) OF PARALLEL PETROLEUM CORP (TICKER: PLLL) OF MIDLAND, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Wes-Tex Drilling Co. converted 65,248 preferred shares into 652,480 common shares on an unspecified date.

PURPOSE:

Conversion of shares.

-30- 497
#90302c0337 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M. SCHWARTZ OWNS 205,000 SHARES (8.20%) OF DIGITAL METCOM INC (TICKER: DMET) OF RONKOKOMA, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Digital Metcom Inc. effected a one-for-ten reverse stock split on Oct. 24, 1990 and all shares are post split. On Oct. 12, 1990, M. Schwartz purchased

agent warrants to purchase 125,000 125,000 shares and consultant warrants to acquire 125,000 shares in exchange for $25,000 and another $25,000 to be paid upon the exercise of a total of 500,000 outstanding warrants. M. Schwartz expects to receive 6,250 shares on Oct. 31, 1990 and on Nov. 30, 1990 and payment for various consulting services performed prior to those dates. On Oct. 12, 1990, M. Schwartz made a gift of 50,000 agent warrants to his father.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 969
#90302c0338 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

NII (TICKER: NII) announced on Oct. 29, 1990 that 10,972,674 units were tendered pursuant to its tender offer, giving the company 69.7 percent of Permian Partners LP (TICKER: PPA)'s units.

-30- 408
#90302c0339 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

PARAMOUNT COMMUNICATIONS INC OWNS 24,060,647 SHARES (83.30%) OF TVX BROADCAST GROUP INC (TICKER: TVXG) OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 26, 1990 Paramount Communications Inc. transferred to Newtel an additional 8,511,723 new preferred shares and Newtel submitted such shares to TVX Broadcast Group Inc. for conversion into voting common shares. Newtel now owns 14,547,725 TVX Broadcast Group Inc. common shares representing a 74.79 percent interest. Also on that date, TVX Broadcast Group Inc. and Paramount Communications Inc. amended the note purchase agreement dated Nov. 18, 1988 to extend the maturity date to Oct. 31, 1994, to provide for the quarterly payment of interest and pledges and to eliminate all security interests and pledges securing the notes. The companies also amended the exchange agreement governing the exchange of the notes for exchange preferred stock to reflect the maturity date extension.

-30- 1170
#90302c0341 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FINANCO INVESTORS FUND LP OWNS 807,600 SHARES (14.50%) OF CASUAL MALE CORP (TICKER: CMLQ) OF SHREWSBURY, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 16, 1990 Financo Investors Fund LP entered into a proxy and agreement with respect to the acquisition of assets of Casual Male Corp. among TCM Acquisition Corp., Edward L. Tucker, GSI Acquisition Co. LP and Financo Investors Fund LP. TCM Acquisition desires to acquire the assets of Casual Male Corp. and its wholly owned subsidiaries subject to the condition precedent of court approval of a plan of reorganization of Casual Male Corp.

-30- 796
#90302c0342 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 24, 1990 Kelso Management Co. Inc. sold 198,585 shares at $4.13 each.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 310
#90302c0343 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 24, 1990 Fidelity International LTD sold 233,904 shares at $4.13 each.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 307
#90302c0344 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 24, 1990 Integrity Fund Inc. sold 27,000 shares at $4.13 each.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 297
#90302c0345 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

TMC ACQUISITION CORP OWNS 3,916,860 SHARES (70.40%) OF CASUAL MALE CORP (TICKER: CMLQ) OF SHREWSBURY, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 16, 1990 TMC Acquisition Corp., a newly formed wholly owned subsidiary of J. Baker Inc., entered into a proxy and agreement with respect to the acquisition of assets of Casual Male Corp. among TCM Acquisition Corp., Edward L. Tucker, GSI Acquisition Co. LP and J. Baker Inc. TCM Acquisition desires to acquire the assets of Casual Male Corp. and its wholly owned subsidiaries subject to the condition precedent of court approval of a plan of reorganization of Casual Male Corp. The proxy entitles TCM Acquisition to vote 3,916,860 Casual Male Corp. common shares.

-30- 907
#90302c0346 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

SQUARE LAKE HOLDING CORP OWNS 45,454 SHARES (100.00%) OF BETHEL BANCORP (TICKER: BTHL) OF BETHEL, ME.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Bethel Bancorp series A preferred shares held by Square Lake Holding Corp. amount to 7.8 percent of voting stock. Square Lake Holding Corp. acquired the shares for $999,998.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 534
#90302c0347 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GRG PARTNERS OWNS 5,477,214 SHARES (10.10%) OF ENSTAR GROUP INC (TICKER: ENST) OF MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 17, 1990 GRG Partners and its partnership agreement were terminated. GRG Partners will no longer be acting as a group with respect to Enstar Group Inc.'s shares.

-30- 506
#90302c0349 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUND INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 1,288,347 SHARES (6.07%) OF TRINITY INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: TRN) OF DALLAS, TX.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 21 to Oct. 25, 1990, Gabelli Fund Inc. sold 4,200 shares at a price of $17 to $21.50 per share; purchased 1,168,600 common shares at a price of $16.88 to $23.13; and purchased 800 shares of convertible shares/debentures at a price of $70.25 to $86.50 per each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 666

#90302c0350 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 5 to Oct. 25 1989 Atalanta/Sosnoff Capital Corp. sold $11,295,000 principal amount of debentures at a price of $1,114.18 to $1,193.23 per debenture.

PURPOSE:

Disposition of debentures and shares.

-30- 450
#90302c0351 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY S.N. PHELPS OWNS 113,965 SHARES (5.80%) OF FIRST LIBERTY FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: FLFC) OF MACON, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Stanford N. Phelps disclaims beneficial ownership of common shares owned by Elizabeth Phelps and Esther J. Coon Phelps.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 16 to Oct. 19, 1990 S.N. Phelps purchased 13,500 shares at a price of $5.50 per share.

-30- 593
#90302c0352 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

D.A. NEWMAN OF OMAHA, NB OWNS 192,550 SHARES (5.60%) OF WEDDING INFORMATION NETWORK INC (TICKER: WINN) OF OMAHA, NE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially owned shares include 60,000 shares of common stock issuable

upon exercise of options and, in addition, Mr. Newman owns 189 shares of convertible preferred stock, convertible at the options of the holder into 1,750 shares of common stock if any of certain conditions is satisfied pertaining to the company's net income before taxes or the market price of the company's common stock. None of such conditions is presently satisfied.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 12, 1990, Mr. Newman sold 198,827 shares of class A common stock of Wedding Information Network Inc. in a private transaction to Kenneth L. Nanfito for an aggregate of $50,000.

-30- 1019
#90302c0353 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

C.E. BERG OWNS 3,014,579 SHARES (11.80%) OF INTEGRATED DEVICE TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: IDTI) OF SANTA CLARA, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 12 through Oct. 16, 1990, C.E. Berg has purchased 333,000 shares at a price of

-30- 438
#90302c0354 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY M. GLASSMAN OF FLUSHING, NY OWNS 241,800 SHARES (9.80%) OF DIGITAL METCOM INC (TICKER: DMET) OF RONKONKOMA, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct.12, 1990, Mr. Glassman acquired 3-year warrants to purchase 250,000 shares of the common stock for an aggregate initial purchase price of $25,000 with a potential obligation to pay an additional $25,000 in a privately-negotiated transaction with Global Capital Securities Inc. Of these warrants, 125,000 warrants are presently exercisable, initially for $3, increasing by $2 every six months beginning six months after the effectiveness of a registration statement registering the shares underlying all warrants. The other 125,000 warrants become exercisable on the later of Jan. 31, 1991 or the exercise of 75 percent of the agent warrants.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 30, 1990, M. Glassman acquired 20,000 units of Digital Metcom Inc. pursuant to Digital Metcom Inc.'s private placement completed on such date, each unit consisting of one share of common stock and one two-year warrant to purchase one share of common stock for $2.25. On Sept. 10 and 14, 1990, M. Glassman sold aggregately 20,000 shares of common stock at a price of $2 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90302c0355 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

G. GELMAN OWNS 83,400 SHARES (11.40%) OF FIFTH DIMENSION INC (TICKER: FIVD) OF TRENTON, NJ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

G. Gelman is in the process of requesting access to the list of stockholders of shares for a possible solicitation of proxies but has not made any definitive decision to solicit any such proxies.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 24, 1990, G. Gelman purchased 16,000 shares at a price of $1.28 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90302c0357 10/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY HANSON PLC OWNS 33,223,900 SHARES (49.15%) OF NEWMONT MINING CORPORATION (TICKER: NEM) OF DENVER, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 26, 1990, Gold Fields transferred all 1,440,000 shares of common stock it owned to GFAC which in turn contributed such shares to SPI.

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#90302d0030 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (OCT 29) - Iraq has started producing and selling powdered milk for children over one year old in response to the embargo imposed by the world community, a senior official said here Monday.

"Large quantities of powdered milk for children over one year old are now being produced," Milk Industry Director General Ghasan Ibrahim Hussein said in an interview with Iraq television.

He said milk officials were also experimenting with making powdered milk for infants under one year old.

Iraq moved in August, in the face of a United-Nations-backed embargo following its invasion and occupation of Kuwait August 2, to ration a dozen key food products. This included powdered milk, had previously been imported.

Thousands of children holding empty bottles demonstrated on October 13 in Baghdad in front of the U.S. and British embassies.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein this week ended rationing of gasoline, saying Iraq had enough chemical additives to continue refining fuel for cars from oil.

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#90302d0100 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERN (OCT. 29) - The Swiss authorities have agreed in principle to let embargo-bound Iraq send a plane to Geneva to pickup medical supplies, a foreign ministry spokesman said here Monday.

The date for the plane to arrive to fetch 15 tonnes of medicine bought by Iraq has not been set, the spokesman said.

Iraq has been embargoed by the United Nations for its occupation of Kuwait since August, but medicines are not part of the cut-off of the flow of goods.

A U.N. observer will be allowed to inspect the Iraqi plane, the spokesman said.

He added that if the plane came to Switzerland bringing Swiss among hostages held in Iraq, then "that would be a good surprise."

He stressed, however, that Switzerland was against any negotiation for the release of hostages held in Iraq.

Separately, some 270 French hostages were due in Paris later Monday from Baghdad. The Iraqi Airways plane bringing them is expected to return home with medicine.

Westerners from several states are being held in Iraq, which faces a United-States-led force of over 200,000 troops stationed in Saudi Arabia and enforcing the embargo.

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#90302d0140 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (OCT 29) - The IRI government holding company announced approval on Monday of the merger of Banco di Roma and Cassa di Risparmia di Roma, a savings bank. The combined company will be the biggest Italian banking group.

IRI, which controls both banks, announced its decision after a meeting of its Board of Directors.

It added that by next January, the merged entity would be joined by Banco di Santo Spirito, a subsidiary of Cassa di Risparmia di Roma, to constitute a banking group with total client deposits of 96.15 trillion lire (83.5 billion dollars) and with 24,000 employees at 780 establishments, primarily in central Italy.

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#90302d0180 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 29) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker warned Iraq Monday that using chemical or biological weapons would bring "the most severe consequences."

He said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein "must realize there is a limit to the international community's patience" in trying to secure Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait, which Iraqi troops invaded August 2.

"He must also realize that should he use chemical or biological weapons, there will be the most severe consequences," said Mr. Baker, whose comments were prepared for delivery to the Los Angeles World Affairs Council.

He added that while the United States was pursuing a diplomatic solution to the Gulf crisis, it has excluded no option.

"Let no one doubt: We will not rule out a possible use of force if Iraq continues to occupy Kuwait," said Mr. Baker.

"Saddam Hussein's way is not the way of peace. His is a prescription for war. And I will say this bluntly: If his way of doing business prevails, there will be no hope of peace in the area," he said.

U.S. troops have been sent to the Gulf, he said, to provide an "effective and decisive military response" if needed.

Mr. Baker will leave as early as Friday for Saudi Arabia and other Gulf states with stops in Europe to consult with "coalition partners about the general situation in the Gulf," the State Department said Monday.

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#90302d0190 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUXEMBOURG (OCT. 29) - Environment ministers of the 12 European Economic Community states agreed here Monday to try and hold down emissions of carbon dioxide gas -- believed to be responsible for the phenomenon known as "global warming" -- to their present level by the year 2000.

An Italina official said that a disagreement involving Britain, which wanted the deadline to be set in the year 2005, had been resolved by the other countries agreeing to keep their own emission levels proportionately lower, so that the overall target can be reached.

The decision comes as a week-long world environment conference is opening in Geneva. A ministerial meeting is due to close the conference in a week's time.

Carbon dioxide, produced by the burning of fossil fuels by cars, power stations and other devices, is believed by scientists to be responsible for the so-called "greenhouse effect."

This traps solar radiation in the earth's atmosphere, which is therefore expected to slowly heat up, with disastrous effects for the environment.

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#90302d0240 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (OCT. 29) - Argentine President Carlos Menem may cancel a visit to Japan scheduled for November 9 because of a demonstration called by unions to protest the high cost of living, officials said Monday.

A final decision on whether to make the trip will be taken Wednesday when Mr. Menem meets with Foreign Minister Domingo Cavallo, who is currently in Germany government spokesmen said.

Even if he does cancel his trip to Japan, Mr. Menem intends to travel to China as scheduled after the demonstration, which has been called for November 15 in Buenos Aires' Plaza de Mayo.

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#90302d0300 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT. 29) - Brian Mawhinney, an under-secretary of state in the Northern Ireland Office, left here Monday for a two-week tour of the United States and Canada, the office said.

Mr. Mawhinney is in particular to visit Toronto, Washington, San Francisco, Boston and Chicago to discuss developments in the British-ruled province.

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#90302d0490 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (OCT 30) - The U.S. and British embassies are now the last two functioning Western diplomatic missions in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait following the evacuation of the French Embassy on Monday.

(The seven remaining French diplomats in Kuwait returned to Paris Monday in a plane carrying all of the country's nationals who had been held against their will in Iraq and Kuwait.)

With their compounds encircled by Iraqi troops, U.S. and British diplomats are reported to be living under extremely difficult physical conditions.

Lacking sufficient reserves of potable water, the 12 U.S. envoys have been forced to drink from their swimming pool.

They have been living without electricity but will hold out as long as possible, according to the designated U.S. ambassador to Kuwait, Edward Gnehm, who is currently based here in Bahrain.

Only two British diplomats remain in Kuwait, Ambassador Michael Watson and Consul Larry Banks.

Iraq in August instructed all embassies in Kuwait to close down and relocate to Baghdad, arguing that as the emirate had become part of Iraq there was no need for diplomatic missions in Kuwait City.

When most governments refused to comply with the ultimatum, Iraqi troops cut off supplies of water and electricity to the missions.

The embassies that were finally obliged to cease functioning stressed that the closures were temporary, as the international community has refused to recognize Iraq's seizure of Kuwait.

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#90302d0560 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SAN FRANCISCO, California, Oct 29 (AFP) - Police arrested 61 demonstrators Monday who burned flags and trashed a fast-food restaurant in protesting U.S. involvement in the Gulf.

"They broke tables and windows and scattered food around" in a McDonald's restaurant, said police Sergeant Bob Crosat.

At least 200 demonstrators had gathered outside the Pacific Stock Exchange just after dawn, and almost an equal number of police met them, said Sgt. Crosat.

The crowd, chanting and carrying signs, marched down Market Street and had turned violent by the time it reached the restaurant, he said. Some protesters burned American flags.

U.S. President George Bush was in San Francisco Monday and said he would not hesitate to use force in the Gulf if provoked. But the demonstration did not appear timed to coincide with his visit.

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#90302d0720 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT 30) - Japan's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose 0.1 percent from August to 2.2 percent in September, the Management and Coordination Agency said Tuesday.

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#90302d0810 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (OCT 30) - Government troops in Rwanda appear to have started a new offensive in the civil war, despite a ceasefire concluded a few days ago, a Belgian radio report said Monday.

Government forces in the former Belgian colony in East Africa have advanced on major positions held by rebels who infiltrated from neighbouring Uganda, the report said. The offensive concentrated on towns in the border area near Uganda.

Thus, the ceasefire which had been mediated by Belgian Premier Wilfried Martens lasted less than a week.

Belgium had announced earlier on Monday that it was calling home this week the 600 paratroopers it sent to Rwanda, while France said it would maintain its military contingent there.

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#90302d0850 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG (OCT 30) - Mental jogging makes for a healthy mind, according to Erno Rubik, inventor of the world-famous Cube and other devices for cerebral acrobatics.

After the physical fitness craze of the last decade, the 1990s will be the decade of the mind, the Hungarian professor of architecture predicts.

In his Budapest workshop Rubik has come up with four new playthings designed to help boost brainpower. Take ''Triamid'', a brightly-coloured pyramid consisting of ten pieces, for instance.

The four surfaces of the components which go to make the pyramid are coloured differently and can be manipulated to display an almost endless number of combinations. A high degree of mental stamina is then needed to restore the jumbled-up pyramid to its original form.

''Tangle'', ''Fifteen'' and ''Dice'' are three other exasperating inventions from Rubik.

Tangle consists of 25 puzzle pieces emblazoned with a symbol which looks a little like a fisherman's knot. All are the same, apart from subtile differences in colour, and the idea is to fit them together ensuring that the pattern is maintained throughout.

Fifteen entails rearranging rows of numbered pieces in a frame to arrive at the correct sequence of 1 to 15 which inspired the name of the game. Turn the puzzle over and a new brain teaser awaits a solution.

Finally, Dice players must grapple with a hollow cube full of different-coloured particles which tumble about until all the dots on the dice face are picked out in white.

Rubik says the games are designed for different personalities ranging from the strategic thinker to the playful type through to contestants with an analytical mind.

There's nothing to stop a player opting for the device, which on the surface at least, seems least suited to his personality but Rubik has even devised a test for would-be mental he-men who want to see where their talents lie.

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#90302d0940 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 30) - Japan's unemployment rate in September rose to 2.2 per cent after seasonal adjustments, 0.1 percentage point higher than in August, according to a monthly labor report released by a government agency.

The number of jobless stood at around 1.4 million, up from 1.3 million in the previous month and unchanged from September last year, the management and coordination agency report said. dpa ba 300331 okt 90

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#90302d1150 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TURIN (OCT. 30) - Magneti Marelli, a subsidiary of the Italian auto giant Fiat which specializes in car electrics, is to form a joint venture with the U.S. company Walbro to produce car fuel pump systems in France, Fiat said at its headquarters here on Monday.

A Fiat statement said the new company, to be owned 51 percent by Magneti Marelli and 49 percent by Walbro, would have sales of around 150 million dollars a year and employ 350 people.

No details were given on the siting of the French plant.

Walbro, which had 1989 sales of 135 million dollars, is based in Cass City, Michigan.

Magneti Marelli had sales of four trillion lire (3.5 billion dollars) last year.

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#90302d5580 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAMPALA (OCT. 29) - Uganda on Monday denied Kenyan press reports that Kenyans were being expelled from Uganda in retaliation for the deportation of Ugandans living illegally in Kenya.

An immigration department official here told Agence France-Presse: "Those reports are baseless."

On Monday the pro-government Kenya Times said that "by Saturday over 500 Kenyans had been arrested and lined up for repatriation".

But the Ugandan immigration official, who declined to be named, said: "If any alien commits an offence, those aliens are brought before court. We are not victimising any one nationality."

More than 1,200 foreigners in Kenya have been arrested and served with expulsion orders, according to Kenyan press reports, since President Daniel arap Moi ordered the expulsion of illegal aliens more than a week ago in a move that targetted Ugandans and Rwandans.

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#90302d5630 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (OCT. 29) - The second world conference on climate opened at the United Nations here Monday to discuss global problems including the warming of the earth's temperature and long-range effects of pollution.

More than 500 scientists and experts will meet for the first week prior to a ministerial conference on November 6 and 7, to be attended by several heads of state and government including the British and French prime ministers, Margaret Thatcher and Michel Rocard.

Monday's opening was presided by conference president Zou Jingmeng, the secretary general of the World Meteorological Organization, one of six international bodies taking part in the conference.

A formal statement on broad-reaching weather issues will be published after the ministerial conference next week.

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#90302d5640 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOVER, GERMANY (OCT. 29) - The German Federal Railway System (Bundesbahn) is about to enter a new age of rail transportation.

With the summer schedule that goes into effect June 1, 1991, a new generation of Inter-City Express (Ice) trains designed to reach speeds up to 250 kilometers an hour will be introduced in western Germany along the north-south axis between Hamburg, Frankfurt and Munich.

''We hope that new high speed trains will improve our income situation,'' says Werner Remmert, president of the Bundesbahn regional branch in Hanover. As in most countries in the world, the railways in Germany have been a chronic money-loser.

The motto of new Bundesbahn services is, ''Twice the speed of the automobile, half the speed of the airplane''.

Since railway stations are generally located in city centers, train users who would otherwise use their car don't have to fight traffic congestions and look for parking space, and those who would travel by air save the time of going to and from the airport.

Passengers using Ice trains from next year will not only reach their destinations faster but will also meet an expanded service.

The new coaches will have onboard telephones to make and receive calls. Available for businessmen will be conference compartments with telephone, telefax and computer connections.

Every seat will have a headphone outlet for six audio programs, three of which will be produced by the railway authorities.

On a trial basis, the back rests of seats on some passenger carriages will be equipped with video screens to test a railway tv program.

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#90302d5650 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Colombo (OCT. 29) - Heavy rains have slowed down an army offensive against rebels forces of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (Ltte) in northern Sri Lanka, miliitary sources said Monday.

Government troops were unable to push forward from captured areas and the weather has hampered the use of aircraft to bomb rebel positions.

Security forces were bogged down some 2,000 kilometres inland from the Kankesanthurai harbour area which they had reached early last week, sources said.

Government forces had captured six areas between Palaly military camp and the harbour, totalling about 40 square kilometres.

Independent reports said the rebels were also experiencing difficulties with many of their bunkers flooded.

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#90302d5730 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 29) - Meiwa Trading Co. Ltd., a medium-sized Japanese trading company, said Monday it would import 3,000 cubic meters (105,000 cubic feet) of lumber in November from Vietnam in a bid to tap new sources of tropical lumber.

Meiwa officials said the November imports, worth 400,000 dollars, would likely be followed by monthly imports of 1,000 cubic meters (35,000 cubic feet) from next year.

The agreement followed a recent move by Japan's major lumber suppliers, Indonesia and Malaysia, to limit timber cutting and ban lumber exports in line with their policy of protecting their forests from Japanese exploitation, industry sources said.

Other Japanese lumber importers are expected to follow suit soon, following Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thac's remarks October 23 in a meeting here with Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu that "the time has come for a strengthening of overall ties" between the two countries.

Japan was at one time Vietnam's second largest trading partner after the Soviet Union, but relations between Tokyo and Hanoi have been strained since the Vietnamese invasion of Cambodia in December 1978 to oust the Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge.

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#90302d5770 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 29) - The Philippine government is setting aside nearly 40 percent of its reduced 1991 budget to service domestic and foreign debts, Budget Secretary Gullermo Carrague said here Monday.

Debt service would eat up 107.7 billion pesos (4.18 billion dollars) or 39.5 percent of the revised 1991 budget of 272.4 billion pesos (10.58 billion dollars), Mr. Carague said at a press forum.

He gave no breakdown, but the total debt service is split about evenly between domestic and foreign loans because of high interest rates of government securities arising from Manila's mounting deficit spending in recent years.

The 1990 debt-service appropriation was 37.7 percent of the budget.

The cash-strapped national government agreed to trim its 1991 spending and increase revenue collections in a "budget summit" held with cngress leaders last week to address a worsening financial crisis.

The government originally proposed a 1991 budget of 297.4 billion dollars (11.55 billion dollars), but agreed to the revised figure after an outcry in Congress and domestic problems spawned by the Gulf crisis.

Some lawmakers are insisting that budget cuts are not enough, and want the government to reduce allocations for debt service, but President Corazon Aquino has warned that unilateral action on the foreign debt would damage Manila's credit standing.

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#90302d5880 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Madrid (OCT. 29) - The Basque Nationalist Party (Pnv) emerged as the largest party in Sunday's elections for a new legislature in the Spanish Basque region final results showed Monday.

The Pnv, which held 17 seats in the old legislature, won 28.5 percent of the vote for 22 seats in the 75-member parliament.

The Spanish Socialist Workers Party (Psoe), the Pnv coalition partner in the outgoing parliament, suffered slight losses, winning 16 seats compared to the 19 it obtained in the polls four years ago.

The two parties are expected to continue their coalition.

The political wing of the Basque Eta extremist organisation, the Herri Batasuna (Hb or People's Unity) retained its 13 seats.

The two other Basque parties, Eusko Alkartasuna (Ea) and Euskadiko Eskerra (Ee), lost votes. The Ea saw its number of seats drop from 13 to nine 13 while the Ee fell to six from nine.

The conservative Popular Coalition (Cp) expanded its number of seats to 6 from 2 before. The Union Alavesa (Ua) entered the legislature for the first time and will have 3 seats. The Democratic and Social Centre (Cds) failed to capture any seats.

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#90302d5900 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 29) - Another nationalist dispute was brewing in the troubled western Soviet republic of Moldavia even as negotiators Monday sought to defuse a crisis in the Gagauz region.

The latest dispute involves the Russian minority which has proclaimed a "republic of the Dniester" in the eastern part of the republic and which now proposes to hold its own "parliamentary" elections on November 25. The Moldavian parliament has proclaimed the Dniester republic unlawful.

Tass news agency Monday reported that the village of Gisca had voted in an unofficial referendum to place itself under the jurisdiction of the Russian-dominated town of Bendery, rather than neighbouring Kaushany, a town mostly inhabited by ethnic Moldavians.

Meanwhile, Moldavian militia (police) units and Soviet interior ministry troops were preparing to enter areas in the south of the republic, home to the 150,000-strong Gagauz community, where a state of emergency was declared Friday, Tass reported.

The Moldavian-imposed emergency measures were declared after the Gagauz, an ethnic-Turkish minority who last August proclaimed their own "republic", held elections last week for their own independent "parliament".

Senior Soviet interior ministry officials were busy negotiating both with Moldavian and Gagauz representatives in a bid to defuse tension which has led to "volunteers" from both sides flocking to border areas to set up roadblocks.

The interior ministry forces were trying to get both sides to agree to withdraw their "volunteers", Tass said.

The ethnic-Romanian Moldavians have themselves been waging an anti-Moscow separatist campaign, prompting increasing fears among the republic's minorities.

Out of the republic's 4.1 million inhabitants, 63 percent are Moldavians, 14 percent Ukrainian, 12 percent Russian and 3.5 percent Gagauz.

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#90302d5910 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 29) - Export-Import Bank of Japan announced Monday the signing of a 22.8 billion yen (178 million dollar) loan to KAFCO International Co. Ltd. of Bangladesh.

Proceeds of the loan will be used to build a fertilizer plant, the bank said. Other banks participating in the loan are Bank of Tokyo Ltd., Fuji Bank Ltd., Daiwa Bank Ltd., Mitsubishi Trust and Banking Corp., Yasuda Trust and Banking Co. Ltd. and Sumitomo Trust and Banking Co. Ltd.

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#90302d5970 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRAZZAVILLE (OCT. 29) - Persistent strikes which have swept many sectors of the Congolese economy for the past few weeks are threatening the government's attempts to revive the flagging economy despite aid from international institutions, according to analysts here.

In addition to financial losses in affected industries, the stoppages have forced the government to make costly concessions in salaries and social benefits.

Employees of the Transcongolese Communication Agency (ATC), which runs railway river and maritime traffic, won raises of up to 30 per cent last month following a week-long strike that paralyzed the country.

During that week alone, ATC sustained losses estimated at more than one billion CFA francs (four million dollars), one-third of its total operating deficit for 1989.

The agency had already undergone drastic restructuring in 1985 aimed at reducing its losses, and had shed almost half its 7,000 staff under a plan worked out by the government with help from the World Bank.

Recent salary increases are also reducing chances that a national economic recovery program designed by the government and World Bank will succeed.

Plans to privatize Hydro-Congo, the state company that handles distribution and commercialization of hydrocarbons, were shelved following a strike that

caused fuel shortages nationwide. President Denis Sassou Nguesso had announced the firm could no longer meet its bills and had ruled out giving it bank credits.

Elsewhere, the government agreed to pay rises for employees of the ailing national electricity company SNE even though the company has reported an annual budget deficit of three billion CFA francs (12 million dollars).

Sources close to SNE said the company needs an additional 26 billion CFA francs to balance its books. They attributed its financial troubles to poor management and the failure of some clients, particularly government agencies, to pay their bills.

As a result, the World Bank may now reconsider extending a loan to the company which was pledged on the understanding that it underwent structural reorganization, according to sources in various economic circles in the Congolese capital.

However by far the worst blow to the nation's economy could stem from pay rises sought by some 55,000 civil servants and 22,000 soldiers.

Negotiations on government workers' salaries are underway with the country's sole trade union, the Congolese Trade Union Confederation (CSC).

If the civil servants get their way, their salaries would double, and in some cases triple. The resulting outlay would swallow up most of the federal budget and cripple state development projects.

The present labour unrest comes at a time when the country already faces severe financial problems because of its large foreign debt, estimated by Western sources at 1,200 billion CFA francs (4.8 billion dollars).

To make matters worse, despite the recent rise in world oil prices, the Congo's oil revenues have dropped, with the total decline for the year projected at 40 billion CFA francs (160 million dollars).

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#90302d6050 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 29) - European Community Commission president Jacques Delors expressed his exasperation Monday with Britain's foot-dragging on the E.C. monetary union question, but said he would keep working to narrow the Community's differences with London.

Delors made his remarks on French radio a day after the special E.C. summit in Rome, where 11 Community members agreed on a timetable for the next phase of achieving a monetary union, with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher the lone dissenter.

He told the radio that the 11 other E.C. members had been ''tired of waiting'' on London and so went ahead with the monetary union decision.

But he assured that he would continued to work ''to bring the positions of the 11 and of Mrs. Thatcher closer together''.

At the E.C. summit, the Community leaders agreed to set January 1, 1994 as the date to start the second phase of the European monetary union scheme aiming toward a common E.C. currency and a central European bank.

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#90302d6140 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 29) - Japan's Tokai Bank Ltd. said Monday it planned to acquire full control of Japan International Bank Ltd., a London-based investment bank owned by Tokai and six other Japanese financial institutions.

Tokai, which currently holds 20 percent of the bank, said it hoped to complete the buyout early next year pending approval from the Bank of England.

"The co-owners seem to have lost enthusiasm for joint management," Tokai president Kiichiro Ito told a news conference.

Mr. Ito said the price paid for the 80 percent interest would be determined after assessing the bank's assets although reports said it would amount to several billion yen (tens of millions of dollars).

Japan International Bank was set up in 1971 and is capitalised at 18 million pounds (35 million dollars). Sumitomo Bank Ltd., Fuji Bank Ltd., Mitsubishi Bank Ltd. and Tokai each hold 20 percent while Daiwa Securities Co. Ltd.,

Nikko Securities Co. Ltd. and Yamaichi Securities Co. Ltd. own the rest.

Tokai, a Nagoya-based bank with close ties to Toyota Motor Corp, is Japan's eighth-biggest bank with total assets of 38,481 billion (300 billion dollars).

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#90302d6260 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (OCT. 29) - Indonesia, already a major oil exporter, is now pinning its hopes on coal as a future source of income.

The island republic is pursuing an ambitious plan which, if the Jakarta government's calculations are fulfilled, will make Indonesia a major competitor with such leading coal exporters as South Africa on world markets.

Indonesia, the sole Asian member of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting

Countries, is now enjoying the blessing of higher oil earnings as a result of the steep increase in prices resulting from the Gulf crisis.

While the oil drilling stations are operating at full power, Indonesia's coal mines are waking up from a long slumber. Experts' calculations put Indonesia's coal reserves at a gigantic 25 billion tonnes.

So Indonesia's coal production of 6 million tonnes - 2.5 million of which went for export - in 1989 was by comparison a small pile. But now, Indonesian coal mines are stepping up the pace to meet rising world demand for coal,

Mining and Energy Minister Ginandjar Kartasasmita believes that with the introduction of new technology and know-how from foreign partners, Indonesian coal output will reach at least 30 million tonnes by the year 2000.

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#90302d6360 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 29) - Government delegations from the Soviet central Asian republics of Uzbekistan, Tadzhikistan and Turkmenia have signed a memorandum on economic cooperation with Afghanistan following talks between the various parties in Tashkent, Tass news agency reported Monday.

The memorandum envisages expanding the supply of electric power to towns and villages in Afghanistan, constructing helicopter pads, paving roads and building hospitals there, along with establishing joint ventures and developing cross-border trade, Tass said.

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#90302d6430 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 29) - The FT-SE Eurotrack 100 European stock indicator was launched by the Financial Times newspaper and London Stock Exchange on Monday, and soon showed a fall from 1,000 points to 995.34 points.

The index, based on 100 leading stocks in continental Europe and in Ireland, is calculated every few minutes and is denominated in Deutsche marks.

It is intended to strengthen the position of London as the leading European market ahead of Paris and Frankfurt.

The stock exchange intends to launch another index including British shares early in 1991.

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#90302d6440 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT. 29) - Italy, which chairs the EEC Council of Ministers, on

Monday delayed indefinitely a meeting of EEC agriculture ministers due to be held in Luxembourg on Tuesday to make a final effort at solving deadlock over GATT proposals, an Italian diplomatic source said.

Agriculture ministers from the European Economic Community (EEC) have been unable to agree of counter-proposals for demands to massive cuts in farm subsidies in the Uruguay Round of tariff-cutting negotiations within the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

The meeting will be held "probably in the near future" but no date has been set, the source said.

The meeting would have been the sixth by the ministers on the subject. Agreement has been prevented mainly by objections from France and Germany.

The final ministerial session of the Uruguay Round issue is to be held between December 3 and 7.

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#90302d6450 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 29) - The Ukraine is set to introduce rationing as of next month in a bid to control stocks amid ever-growing shortages, Pravda, the communist party newspaper reported Monday.

The "consumer cards with coupons" are due to be introduced as of November 1, though local informed sources said they had not yet been distributed.

The coupons will be issued through places of work and will allow individuals to spend up to 70 percent of their legal earnings in state-owned shops where prices are subsidized.

Customers will pay cash but will also have to hand over coupons showing they have a right to spend the money for any item costing more than 20 kopecks (36 cents at the official rate), local sources said.

Coupons - with a maximum individual allowance of 800 rubles worth (1,440 dollars) a month - will be used to buy all foodstuffs and consumer goods. Payment for products costing more than 800 rubles will have to be made from savings, through bank accounts.

Meanwhile, the Ukrainian parliament Monday was due to debate the government's plans for radical economic reform, involving the privatization of 50 to 60 percent of state shops within a year.

The plans also call for denationalization of republican entreprises with shares being partly sold and partly given to Ukrainian nationals.

The government, which says it intends to set up a Ukrainian currency, also wants to create a national bank.

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BEIJING (OCT. 29) - China plans to surpass Taiwan, India and Bangladesh to become the world's leading shipbreaker, an official report said here Monday.

Kang Guangzhi, vice president of the China National Shipbreaking Corporation, told the China Daily that China would become a "shipbreaking kingdom."

Beijing's plans come as a worldwide acceleration of ship replacement is expected, the report said.

Only seven years old, China's shipbreaking industry employs 100,000 people in about 100 enterprises. The China National Shipbreaking Corporation (CNSC) is seeking to recruit foreign experts, especially Taiwanese, to link up to form join ventures, the English-language daily said.

The China Daily, citing international experts, said that some 13 million tons of shipping would have to be replaced annually worldwide in the coming decade.

In 1988, China dismantled 466,000 tons of shipping, or 22 percent of the world total, making it the second-largest shipbreaker that year, the report said.

Many of the vessels broken up for scrap came from Europe, the United States and Japan, a CNSC spokesman said.

Mr. Kang said that nearly all of the materials gained from the dismantling of ships could be recycled, particularly in China, which suffers from a scarcity of many raw materials.

In the last seven years, 1.2 million tons of scrap steel and 60,000 tons of nonferrous metals have been recovered by China's new industry, the report said.

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#90302d6520 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Jerusalem (OCT. 29) - The official inquiry into the Temple Mount killings of October 8 was one-sided, unreliable and ignored fundamental facts relating to the incident, the Israeli human rights group B'tselem said Monday.

Some 20 Palestinians were killed and hundreds injured in the incident which prompted an international controversy and led Israeli Premier Itzhak Shamir to appoint a commission to study the event.

In a statement released Monday, B'tselem claimed that the inability of the

commission to subpeona witneses meant that Palestinians who objected to cooperating with the commission were not heard.

''Attempts to reconstruct the truth relying almost entirely on the testimony of one side is limited and its results should be considered with scepticism,'' said the statement.

Other shortcomings of the report, said B'tselem, was its lack of serious investigation into the circumstances under which shooting took place, and the commission's refusal to detail the evidence and sources for its conclusions.

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#90302d6640 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (OCT. 29) - Political unrest in parts of India has disrupted the supply of petroleum and oil products to Nepal, directly affecting the country's economy, an informed source here said Monday.

The state-run Nepal Oil Corporation said Monday that student protests in the Indian northeastern state of Assam had disrupted the regular supply of petroleum products from Barauni in the state of Bihar for the past several months.

Required products such as kerosene and diesel were temporarily brought in from the port city of Haldia in the state of West Bengal, but this has not been possible for the past eighteen days because of the non-movement of oil tankers and other trucks resulting from the unrest in Assam.

The resulting shortage in Nepal has led to mile long queues forming outside petrol pumps and other distribution depots.

Nepalese exports through Haldia have also been disrupted by political violence in other parts of India.

A spokesman for the Consumers' Forum said the difficulty of transporting Indian goods to Nepal had resulted in price hikes on those goods of between ten and fifteen percent in the past two weeks.

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#90302d6720 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 29) - The Royal Navy on Monday despatched the royal fleet auxiliary Argus, which has been converted into a hospital ship, from Plymouth in southwest England to the Gulf, the ministry of defence said.

The ship was carrying 90 medical staff, including 10 surgeons and 40 nurses for 100 hospital beds, and was equipped to treat war wounded, including troops suffering from the effects of chemical weapons.

The Argus, displacing 28,000 tons, had been used for the training of helicopter pilots, and was carrying four Sea King helicopters as ambulances.

The Argus was due to arrive in the Gulf in two to three weeks' time.

Meanwhile in Dublin Irish Prime Minister Charles Haughey has asked three members of the Irish parliament to abandon a planned visit to Iraq in the light of a statement by leaders of the European Economic Community (EEC) in Rome on Sunday condemning individual moves to obtain the release of hostages.

Mr. Haughey said: "My obligation now is the responsibility to discourage others from going to Iraq to negotiate the release of hostages."

About 50 Irish nationals were in Kuwait and about 300 were in Iraq before Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

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#90302d6730 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 29) - Moslem clerics in China's northwest Xinjiang region are banned from meeting foreigners or teaching "the history of holy war," under a set of draconian new regulations seen here Monday.

The regulations were adopted in mid-September by Xinjiang's regional government, four months after a two-day Moslem rebellion in a village that left 22 police and civilians dead by official count.

Published in the official Xinjiang Daily, the regulations also apply to Tibetan monks as well as clergymen in China's state-sponsored Catholic and Protestant churches working in the region.

Such "religious professionals," they state, are banned from espousing separatism, opposing the Communist Party leadership, or using religion to challenge China's strict birth-control policies.

"They shall not accept visits or interviews by foreigners and foreign religious organizations, or solicit money from them in any form," the regulations add.

Strictly interpreted, the ban would include any chance encounter that a Moslem cleric might have with Afghans, Pakistanis, or Moslem natives of Soviet Central Asian republics who regularly visit Xinjiang.

The regulations also state that clerics "shall not propagate the 'history of holy war' and incite ethnic hatred under any circumstances."

Effectively outlawing proselytizing outside places of worship, the regulations

defend what is termed a citizen's "freedom not to believe in any religion," and stipulate that clerics must be approved by government authorities.

Clerics who break the regulations may be stripped of their credentials, or face legal proceedings.

Sixty per cent of Xinjiang's 40.3 million people -- spread across an area of Central Asia three times the size of France -- are Moslems, the majority of them Turkic-speaking Uygurs, Kazaks and Kirgiz.

Pockets of Tibetans also inhabit the region, which borders on Afghanistan, Pakistan and the restive Soviet Central Asian republics.

Simmering Moslem discontent -- fanned, diplomats say, by some of the worst poverty in China -- exploded in violence April 5-6 with bloody rioting in Baren, a village south of the Silk Road town of Kashgar.

Official reports blamed the so-called "counter-revolutionary armed rebellion" on an obscure separatist group, the Islamic Party of East Turkestan, which allegedly received support from "hostile foreign forces."

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#90302d6760 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (OCT. 29) - African journalists meeting here agreed Monday to send letters to four African leaders and to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein protesting the treatment of journalists in their countries.

The African states targetted by the meeting of some 50 journalists from more than 20 countries are Sudan, Zaire, Uganda and South Africa. The journalists were told their colleagues in those countries were being detained, attacked and generally harassed.

President Hussein is to receive a protest letter because, the meeting was told some African journalists are being held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait.

The three-day meeting, which began Sunday and aims to strengthen journalists' unions on the continent, was organised by the International Federation of Journalists and the Union of African Journalists.

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#90302d6770 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 29) - An extreme leftist group was suspected of scheming to obstruct Japan's famed bullet train carrying Emperor Akihito as part of its campaign to stop his enthronement on November 12, press reports said Monday.

Meanwhile, to boost the government's anti-terrorist drive, post offices might

require senders to open parcels in order to vefify their contents from November 1 to 25, the post and telecommunications ministry said.

In a raid Saturday at a hideout of the extreme leftist group Chukakuha (Hardcore Faction), police confisticated notes showing a detailed plan of a tunnel on the Tokyo-Osaka superexpress line, press reports said.

The plan was most specific in describing the power line, the reports said.

Tokyo police suspected that Japan's largest radical leftist faction was scheming to destroy the power line to obstruct railway operations when Emperor Akihito and Empress Michiko use the railway, the reports said.

Another group, Kakurokyo (Revolutionary Workers Council), claimed responsibility Monday for arson attacks at the weekend to dramatise its vow to crush the emperor system.

In billboards on a university campus, the group said its members had planted incendiary devices at the home of a professor advocating a strong imperial system and on the Shinto shrine dedicated to General Maresuke Nogi.

The general, a hero of the 1904-1905 Russo-Japanese War, committed ritual suicide with his wife in 1912, on the funeral day of Emperor Meiji, Akihito's great grandfather.

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#90302d6790 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 29) - A leading Japanese economist on Monday ruled out any further increase in the Bank of Japan's discount rate.

"I don't think there is any probability of a new discount-rate hike," said Ryo Watanabe, general manager of the economic research department at Nomura Research Institute, an affiliate of Japan's biggest securities firm.

Mr. Watanabe told a news conference that the factors contributing to the tightening of credit since May last year were gradually dispappearing.

"The yen has appreciated, there are some signs of declining real-estate prices and signs of a decline in the growth rate of the economy," he said.

Mr. Watanabe said monetary authorities might have even considered lowering the discount rate - charged on central bank loans to financial institutions - had it not been for the Gulf crisis. The rate is currently six per cent.

Announcing the institute's forecasts for the next two years, Mr. Watanabe said that Japan's gross national product (GNP) was expected to grow by 4.8 per cent in the year to March, down from 5.1 percent last year.

Growth in the following year is forecast to slow to as low as 3.3. percent with oil prices at 30 dollars a barrel or four percent at 20 dollars a barrel.

The forecasts, however, are based on an exchange rate of between 135 yen and 140 yen to the dollar and don't take into account the currency's recent appreciation to less than 130 yen to the dollar.

Mr. Watanabe said Japan was "not particulary disadvantaged" by higher oil prices compared with the United States and Germany.

Efforts by Japanese banks to meet new international capital standards will be "the worst point when we talk about economics next year," he said, noting that banks will not be able to raise capital as easily in the past.

The need to raise funds to meet guidelines stipulated by the Bank for International Settlements will in turn reduce capital flows from Japan to the rest of the world, notably the United States and developing countries, he said.

Mr. Watanabe said that corporate investment in new plant and equipment would be more affected by higher interest rates than the household sector. Higher rates on fixed deposits at banks and financial deregulation will "completely offset" the 40 percent plunge in Japanese share prices this year, he said.

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#90302d6800 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (OCT. 29) - Tamil guerrillas have extended until Wednesday a deadline issued to Moslems to vacate Mannar island in the north or be killed, Moslem representatives from the area said Monday.

Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) rebels had issued an ultimatum to the Moslems to vacate the Sri Lankan island by Sunday, the representatives, who did not want to be identified, told journalists here.

They said that by late Sunday more than 8,000 Moslems had already fled the area while community leaders successfully pleaded with the guerrillas for more time.

Nearly half of Mannar's 95,000 people are Moslems.

The representatives said armed guerrillas went around Erukkulampiddi village on October 21 and rounded up about 60 Moslem community leaders, who were held and interrogated. They were released after paying hefty ransoms.

The rebels later went on a three-day looting spree. Those who questioned the guerrillas or resisted were badly assaulted, one source said.

"They did not even spare little girls, who were relieved of their jewellery," he added.

On October 24, the LTTE announced over speakers fitted to vehicles that all Moslems should vacate Mannar by late Sunday or face death. Tamil Tigers recently massacred more than 200 Moslems in the eastern Batticaloa district.

Some 5,000 refugees travelled more than 130 kilometres (80 miles) south by boat to neighbouring Puttalam district, while another 3,000 had reached another town about 75 kilometres (45 miles) to the southeast, the sources said.

They said Mannar island had been virtually isolated since June, when the rebels blasted the road and rail bridges linking it with the mainland.

One of them said the nearest army camp was about three kilometers (two miles) away at Thalladi on the mainland, "but the security forces have not entered Mannar since June," when fighting broke out with the rebels.

Meanwhile, Sri Lanka Moslem Congress general secretary M.J.A. Saheed on Monday urged the government to take steps to safeguard Moslems in the north, wipe out the "fascist Tigers" and resettle the Moslems in their homelands.

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#90302d6810 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 29) - The commander of the Finnish Defence Forces, Admiral Jan Klenberg, arrived here Monday on a four-day official visit, Tass news agency reported.

Admiral Klenberg was welcomed at the airport by Soviet General Chief of Staff Mikhail Moiseyev, before meeting for talks with Defence Minister Dmitri Yazov.

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#90302d6840 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LINZ, AUSTRIA (OCT. 29) - A 72-year-old widow in the Austrian town of Neukirchen am Walde recently received a letter sent to her 43 years ago, the Austrian news agency Apa reported.

The letter, sent in 1947 by American military officials, informed the woman she was entitled to 162 Reichsmarks confiscated from her husband after being taken prisoner in February 1944.

The woman sent a document certifying her late husband's release from the Wehrmacht to the Bavarian Red Cross and promptly received a check for 41 Deutschmarks, the rough equivalent.

It turns out the letter took so long because it was addressed to Neukirchen

vor dem Walde, which is a town in Bavaria. So postal officials assumed the intended destination was somewhere in Germany.

What complicated the matter was that there are 26 towns called Neukirchen in western Germany and another seven in what was formerly East Germany.

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#90302d6860 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Offenbach (OCT. 29) - Kraftwerk Union (Kwu), the power engineering subsidiary of the Siemens concern, announced here Monday it has won a contract from Egypt to head an international consortium to build a 660 megawatt conventional power plant.

Kwu said the contract value for the ''Cairo West'' power plant is over 220 million marks (145 million dollars). The project will be financed by the African Development Bank based in Abidjan.

Under the order, placed by the Egyptian Electricity Authority, Kwu will head a German-Italian consortium to build the new power plant northwest of Cairo, directly on the Nile River.

The plant, which can be fueled either by oil or natural gas, will go on stream in the autumn of 1993, Kwu said.

Over the past decade, the German power engineering firm has won orders for six power plants combining for some 2,500 megawatts of installed capacity.

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#90302d6870 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Wiesbaden (OCT. 29) - Spurred by rising fuel prices, the cost of living index in Germany has reached its highest annual inflation rate in seven years, authorities said here Monday.

The Federal Office of Statistics, presenting preliminary figures for October, said the index had jumped 0.6 percent from September, putting the annual inflation rate at 3.3 percent.

The last time inflation was that high was in August 1983, the office said, presenting data from four key federal German states. The final October figure based on data from the entire country will be reported in mid-November.

The office said rising motor vehicle fuel and heating oil costs were responsible for the October cost of living increase.

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#90302d7030 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WIESBADEN, Germany (OCT. 29) - Prices in what was formerly West Germany rose by 0.6 percent in October compared with September, provisional official figures published here on Monday showed.

The federal statistical office, which blamed higher oil prices for the increase, based its estimate on prices in four of the 11 states in what was West Germany.

Prices were 3.3 percent higher than in October last year. In September prices were three percent higher than in September 1989.

The final figures will be published in 10 days' time. A figure for the whole of Germany is not yet available.

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#90302d7040 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Wolfsburg (OCT. 29) - The German carmaker Volkswagen said here Monday it expected its earnings for 1990 to match last year's record 1.04 billion marks (688 million dollars) profit.

A vw spokesman made the disclosure to counter press reports over the weekend which had said the company was going to suffer a massive drop in its earnings for 1990.

The reports, citing internal company estimates, had said Vw's pre-tax profit would reach only 1.8 billion marks, compared to last year's 2.9 billion marks. The chief factor in the decline were the high losses suffered by subsidiaries in America, the reports said.

In its half-year report, Vw conceded that profits were dropping in Brazil, where Vw and Ford operate their Autolatina joint venture. In the United States, VwAudi sales have risen four percent to around 125,000 cars, but earnings were being adversely affected by the low dollar rate, high distribution costs and a narrower profit margins.

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#90302d7050 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PESHAWAR, PAKISTAN (OCT. 29) - Legendary mujahedeen commander Ahmed Shah Masood is promoting himself as the Afghan resistance movement's saviour and unifying force for the first time since the Soviet Union's withdrawal from Afghanistan 20 months ago.

For the past 15 days, Mr. Masood, the "Lion of Panjsher," been working on a major political shakeup of the faction-ridden mujahedeen, after refusing for 12 years to leave Afghanistan and the area he controls.

His goal, and that of other rebel leaders still inside Afghanistan, is to unify the Sunni and Shiite Moslem resistance and step up pressure on Afghan political leaders in exile in Peshawar to regroup and make up for time lost since the last Soviet soldier left Afghanistan on February 15 last year.

"It is necessary to resolve the impasse and fill the gaps," the 37-year-old Mr. Masood said several times during a meeting on the outskirts of Peshawar with a group of Western journalists late Saturday.

He said the new "political and military" strategy drawn up by resistance commanders had been accepted by "the majority" of Peshawar leaders whom he criticised as ineffective.

"If from now on, the mujahedeen forces are used effectively and rationally," the Soviet-installed regime in Kabul "will collapse" and an Islamic government which conformed to the will of the people would replace it, he said.

Mr. Masood rejected the idea of a direct mujahedeen offensive on Kabul as proposed by his main rival in the resistance, fundamentalist leader Gulbuddin Hekmatyar.

Instead, he called for simultaneous attacks this winter on the regime's "weak points" before mounting larger scale operations against targets including Kabul, next spring.

During his vist to Pakistan, Mr. Masood has met the heads of the seven Sunni rebel guerrilla groups.

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#90302d7070 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (OCT. 29) - A bizarre rumor of disappearing male genitals has gripped black Africa's biggest city, leading to mob attacks on suspected organ-robbers and extensive coverage in Nigeria's free-wheeling press.

The rumour, whose origins are unclear, states that some unscrupulous persons use bodily contacts such as handshakes to make genitals disappear.

The purloined organs are believed to later reappear in possession of these persons, who are said to sell them in Nigeria's thriving witchcraft trade, where they are believed -- well, rumored -- to fetch thousands of dollars.

Dozens of suspects have been beaten up by irate mobs or arrested by policemen in various parts of this city of an estimated seven million residents in the last two weeks.

The fact that no one has so far come forth to show conclusive proof of having

been robbed of their private parts has failed to make the slightest dent in the belief.

On Friday, in the prosperous Lagos neighborhood of Falomo, police barely were able to save the life of a man being beaten by a mob who believed he had just appropriated another man's genitals, a diplomat who witnessed the incident reported.

Another mob at Obalende, a teeming Lagos slum, stripped two suspects naked after beating them up.

The men owed their life to the quick intervention of the police, a woman who witnessed the incident told AFP Sunday.

The Nigerian press has given extensive coverage to this latest social phenomenon. Two independent national newspapers, the Sunday Champion and the Sunday Punch, headlined this Sunday's reports, "Fear of Vanishing Organs in Lagos" and "Tension mounts over missing organs."

Many Lagos residents now go about the streets checking up from time to time their genitals immediately after a handshake or after a bodily contact with a stranger.

Reacting to the rumour, the Lagos state police issued an official statement last Thursday. It described the rumour as the work of mischievious elements who create a panicky situation to enable them to loot, steal or commit other atrocities against innocent citizens.

The police also expressed concern that the rumour would lead to lynchings.

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#90302d7180 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 29) - Strongly bullish sentiment in grain markets boosted rates on the Baltic International Freight Futures Exchange (BIFFEX) here in the past week.

The BIFFEX's Baltic Freight Index (BFI) ended off its best, but still ahead 46 points on the week at 1,320 points.

A 56 point surge Monday was largely the result of a 52,000 ton fixing on the U.S. Gulf to Japan route at three dollars per tonne above the previous week's going rate, traders said.

The transaction involved payment of 26.25 dollars per ton on the route, a fixing which lifted nominal rates to 25.583 dollars at the end of the week from 23.1 the previous Friday.

Early on falling bunker fuel prices took some pressure off shipowners' profit margins and allowed for some upturn in activity, although a fresh climb in crude oil prices ahead of the weekend put renewed pressure on fuel costs.

By the weekend the BFI index had lost 10 of its 56 point climb on a lack of further fixings on major grain route.

U.S. Gulf to Europe grain rates ended the week at 12.85 dollars per ton against 12.3 dollars at the end of the previous week.

In other sectors rates showed little change. East Coast USA to Japan coal movements were quoted at 14.025 dollars per ton against 14.250 the previous week, while ore movements on the West Africa to Europe route stood at 5.375 dollars per ton against 5.37.

The nominal quote for transatlantic round voyages on a timecharter basis was 8,533.333 dollars per day against 8,350 the previous week.

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#90302d7200 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 29) - Pope Shenouda Iii of the Coptic Orthodox Church in Egypt is to receive an honorary doctorate from Bonn University on November 17, it was learned here Monday.

The university's faculty for Catholic theology said it decided to honor the pope because of his achievements in Christian teaching and his importance in promoting inner-Christian dialogue.

Pope Shenouda Iii, 67, is regarded as one of the world's most influential Christian leaders along with Catholic Pope John Ii and Constantinople's Orthodox patriarchs.

He has already received honorary doctorates from three United States universities.

The Coptic pope was banished due to his political opinions to a monastery by the late Egyptian president Anuar Sadat in September 1981. He was released from internal exile by President Hosny Mubarak and permitted to resume his duties in January 1985.

The seat of the Coptic Orthodox Church is in Cairo. This largest Middle Eastern church has about eight million followers mainly in Egypt, Sudan and Canada.

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#90302d7220 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (OCT. 29) - Afghan guerrillas stepped up pressure on a strategic highway in a bid to cut off one of the most prosperous provinces in the country's south, diplomats and officials said here Monday.

A government spokesman said security forces in the southern province of Kandahar attacked a guerrilla unit involved in the rebel operations in Maywand district, killing 13 militants overnight Sunday.

A tank and a large quantity of arms and ammunitions were captured from the guerrillas, the spokesman said.

Maywand is about 60 kilometres (36 miles) northwest of Kandahar city and a vital supply route linking the country's capital and southern and western regions runs through it.

However, diplomats said it would be difficult for the guerrillas to completely cut off Kandahar by attacking both ends of the highway because of the government's air power.

The government spokesman said sporadic long-range fighting continued in Zabul province and troops killed 27 guerrillas in heavy artillery and aerial attacks Sunday.

Similar fighting continued in Paghman, about 20 kilometres (12 miles) northwest of Kabul, the spokesman said adding that troops killed at least 28 rebels during the fighting Sunday.

Fighting also raged in Hisarak district of Nangarhar province, which borders Kabul, and in an area just north of the capital itself, the spokesman said. He said 23 resistance guerrillas were killed in Hisarak district.

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#90302d7290 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Geneva (OCT. 29) - The International Air Traffic Association (Iata) opened its annual conference here Monday with industry executives saying the world's airlines were suffering from fuel cost increases and increasingly expensive flight delays.

Iata president Moehamad Soeparno and general director Guenter Eser told the organisation comprising 200 airlines that the rising volume of air traffic was creating costly delays because airports and traffic controllers could not cope with the growth.

Eser said that with rising fuel costs and the dollar's decline, many airlines despite improved passenger numbers could lose money. The world airline industry as a whole could finish 1990 with a loss of up to two billion dollars, he warned.

He said that if air traffic continued to grow in Europe at current rates, then by the year 2000 the number of air passengers would double to at least 500 million. By the year 2010 the number would reach 740 million, nearly triple the current number.

Eser said that inadequacies in the air traffic control infrastructure were responsible for 70 percent of flight delays.

He called on governments to do more to carry out improvements in air traffic control systems. Iata estimated the costs of such improvements would be five to eight billion dollars.

If nothing is done, then Europe would stand to lose 10 billion dollars' annually in potential tourism and economic development revenues in the air traffic sector, Eser said.

Iata will be conducting a review of air tariffs from Wednesday to Saturday. Eser declined to comment on whether airlines might again decide to raise rates. The last increase took effect October 1, with passenger tickets increased by five to eight percent and air cargo rates hiked by seven percent.

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#90302d7330 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (OCT. 29) - The recently concluded general elections in Pakistan were generally fair despite some violence, according to a Nepalese team which returned here Monday after observing the Pakistani polls.

The official Nepalese news agency Rss, quoted the team as saying it had found a ''gross'' misuse of the electronic media, radio and television, by the government in Pakistan.

The team, which was a part of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (Saarc) group in Pakistan to observe the polls, said it had also witnessed ''some'' violence in ''some'' polling centres.

The Nepalese team comprised among others the former nepalese attorney-general, Shambhu Prasad Gyawali, the former Nepalese finance minister, Dr. Bekh Bahadur Thapa, and the former Nepalese chief secretary, Kul Shekhar Sharma.

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#90302d7340 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 29) - China is looking to get state-of-the-art Sukhoi Su-27 jet fighters from the Soviet Union, the first time it has turned to Moscow for warplanes since the 1950's, a Soviet aviation expert said Monday.

In an interview, Anatoli Pankratov said negotiations on supplying the Chinese with the Su-27 -- one of the Soviet Union's most advanced supersonic fighters -- were now at a "preliminary stage."

"We expect (a deal) to happen, but just now we don't have any (further) information," he said.

He did not say how many Su-27's the Chinese want, or under what terms.

But if a deal goes through, military analysts say it would represent a quantum leap in the firepower of China's antiquated air force, as well as a shift in the balance of military power in Asia.

It would also mark the first time that China has looked to the Soviet Union for warplanes since the 1950's, prior to the bitter Sino-Soviet split over strategic and ideological issues.

Relations were formally normalized in May last year when Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev made a historic summit visit to Beijing which happened to coincide with the Tiananmen Square democracy movement.

Western defence experts say the Su-27 -- codenamed "Flanker" by NATO forces -- has a top speed of 2,500 kilometers (1,550 miles) an hour and a combat radius of 1,150 kms (715 miles).

Similar to the U.S.-made F-15 Eagle, it can be fitted with eight air-to-air missiles to shoot down low-flying aircraft and cruise missiles.

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#90302d7420 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (OCT. 29) - The Bangladesh government's invoking of a tough law to detain an opposition leader was being viewed here Monday by analysts and political leaders as a "nervous move" by authorities to check growing political unrest.

A senior political commentator said in an interview that the weekend arrest was "without proper basis" and criticized it as a "nervous move by President Hussain Mohammad Ershad's government to warn other opposition leaders."

Pankaj Bhattacharya, 42, general-secretary of the National Awami Party (NAP), was arrested Sunday and charged with violence and arson. A bail petition on his behalf was also rejected by a Dhaka court.

He was ordered to spend the next 120 days in jail under the 1974 Special Powers Act, which ironically the government said it would soon repeal.

Vice President Moudud Ahmed had announced last month that the president had

decided to repeal the controversial law which permits detention without trial and the banning of newspapers.

The law has been dubbed a "black law" by opposition leaders and journalists.

"Pray my stay in jail is comfortable and that the arrest ends autocratic rule in the country," Mr. Bhattacharya told supporters as he was led to a waiting vehicle.

His party president, Muzzafar Ahmed, speaking from an undisclosed location, said by telephone that the arrest did not fall into the "rule of the game, as he was charged also for theft."

He lashed out at the government, saying "crazy people make stupid mistakes, especially when they are nervous."

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#90302d7510 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 29) - Japan's Sumitomo business group, involved in a widening loan scandal, took another beating Monday when the head of its construction firm stepped down to take responsibility for a bribery case.

Shozo Kusumoto was replaced by Shinsaku Sanmoto as president of Sumitomo Construction Co. Monday, company officials said. The firm's chairman Takeyuki Saito also resigned from his post, they added.

Four officials of Sumitomo Construction, including executive director Ichiro Nasu, were arrested last month on charges of bribing local government officials in exchange for a road construction deal in Kawanishi near Kobe, western Japan.

"We have made a vow at a board meeting today that we will never again do anything that runs counter to social morality and law," Mr. Sanmoto told a press conference.

The business group has been rocked by the loan scandal, involving Sumitomo Bank, Mitsui Trust Bank and Sanwa Bank. Members of these banks allegedly arranged huge illegal loans to stock speculators.

Sumitomo Bank's three top executives, including chairman Ichiro Isoda, have resigned in the scandal.

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#90302d7570 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAINT ETIENNE, FRANCE (OCT. 29) - The president of the European Parliament said in a speech Monday that the European Economic Community's legislative assembly should be equivalent to national parliaments.

Enrique Baron Crespo said "a self-respecting parliament must be able to propose legislation."

The European Parliament can propose amendments to EEC legislation but it cannot initiate such legislation. Parliamentarians have been battling the EEC's two other main institutions, the executive Commission and the decision-taking Council for a greater share of EEC power.

Mr. Baron, who has been president of the parliament since July 1989 was speaking at the Jean Monnet University of Saint Etienne where he was awarded an honourary degree.

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#90302d7590 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 29) - Indian Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh hinted Monday that he was prepared to step down from office, as Hindus were all set to begin construction of a temple in central India next to a mosque amidst increasing tension.

A spokesman for the Vishwa Hindu Parishad, which is spearheading the temple building plan at Ayodhya in Uttar Pradesh state, said that a 10,000 strong ''task force'' had already reached the area despite multi-layered security arrangements and will start the ''construction on Tuesday between 9.44 a.m. and 11.44 a.m.'' a time ordained auspicious by the Hindu priests.

Spokesman R.S. Agnihotri told newsmen here that more than 250,000 Hindu pilgrims have been arrested by the state authorities and lodged in hostels and warehouses as ''all the jails are full''. They were on their way to Ayodhya.

Although authorities had clamped an indefinite curfew on the area on Friday, ''people are braving them and coming out into the streets to build the temple'' said Murli Manohar Joshi of the Hindu right-wing Bharatiya Janata Party.

The United News of India news agency reported that four pilgrims were killed and four injured in police firing while Indian Army troops staged ''flag marches'' in 22 ''sensitive districts'' of the country's politically most crucial state.

Quoting an official spokesman at Lucknow, the state capital, Uni said the situation in most of the areas ''was tense but under control''.

With dissent activity mounting for his resignation, Singh told newsmen ''I am prepared to face the demand for a change in the leadership. The Mp's (Parliament deputies) have to decide if they want a change. They can elect a new leader''.

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#90302d7600 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 29) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is continuing to commit "atrocities" in Kuwait and shows no sign of withdrawing his troops from the emirate, Britain's chief of the defense staff said Monday.

"I haven't heard anything yet that would indicate that" Iraq intends to pull out of Kuwait, Sir David Craig said during a visit to British troops in eastern Saudi Arabia.

"(Saddam Hussein's) been a very vicious aggressor. He continues to commit atrocities in Kuwait.

"He doesn't show any sign of letting up in that way," he said.

Speaking to reporters during a visit to a combat engineer regiment of the 7th Armoured Brigade, Sir David said he remained optimistic a peaceful solution could be found to the crisis sparked by the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

"I always remain optimistic," he said. "I don't think one should ever look at any of these things in a pessimistic way."

"We hope there won't be a conflict," the Royal Air Force marshal said, "but as far as we're concerned we'll fight very firmly."

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#90302d7680 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRAZZAVLLLE (OCT. 29) - One of three youths wounded when security forces opened fire on student demonstrators in Congo last week has died in hospital of his wounds, informed sources said here Monday.

The incident occurred at Sibiti, 300 kilometres (180 miles) from the capital, when college students took to the streets demanding better classroom conditions and the opening of a boarding school.

Security forces fired in the air to disperse them as the students were joined by ''layabouts'' in a spree of looting in the market, state radio reported at the time.

Mabiala Nziengui, 17, was hit in the head when a soldier or a militiaman ''lost control of himself'' and fired into the crowd, the informed sources said.

All schools in the economic capital Pointe Noire were meanwhile closed on Monday because of a strike by teachers seeking more pay and the dismissal of

some local education officials. Security forces were patrolling the streets to prevent any demonstrations.

Congolese television was broadcasting only news briefs as its news staff stayed away from work for a fourth day as negotiations continued with the information ministry for improved work conditions and guarantees on freedom of information.

Journalists at the government news agency resumed work, however, though coupled with a threat to strike again if the authorities failed to give specific undertakings on their grievances, an authoritative source said.

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#90302d7710 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (OCT. 29) - President Frederik de Klerk on Monday held talks here with the leader of the 700,000-strong Federal Independent Democratic Alliance (FIDA) to discuss the moderate black organisation's participation in constitutional negotiations.

The FIDA delegation was led by its president, John Gogotya, and in a statement issued here Monday, the organisation said it favoured the formation of joint working groups with the government.

FIDA was launched in July 1987 and Mr. Gogotya claims a membership of 700,000.

The organisation does not believe in the principle of one-man, one vote as most of the political groupings in South Africa does, and supports the system of independent and self-governing tribal homelands.

Meanwhile, the leader of the white liberal opposition Democratic Party (DP), Zach de Beer, said on Monday that an interim government in South Africa would not be practical or feasible.

Speaking in the eastern Cape town of King William's Town, Mr. De Beer said an interim government -- as demanded by the black nationalist African National Congress (ANC) -- would have no constitutional basis.

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#90302d7840 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Luxembourg (OCT. 29) - Plans by E.C. Energy Commissioner Antonio Cardoso e Cunha which would give the Commission greater powers to deal with an energy crisis met with widespread criticism here Monday among various E.C. members.

An E.C. spokesman, at a press briefing on the E.C. energy ministers' talks here, said that criticism of the plan came from Germany, Britain, the Netherlands and Denmark.

Much of the criticism was focused on the greater control over the E.C.'s emergency oil reserves which the Commission would be granted to deal with an energy crisis, he said.

Germany called it an ''extremely delicate matter'' if the Commission were to gain control over one-third of the 90 days' worth of emergency oil reserves which each E.C. nation must keep.

The Bonn officials said they had nothing against the Community developing a joint approach to deal with an oil supply crisis.

Britain also opposed Cardoso's plan, in particular the idea of establishing a central facility to store emergency reserves.

The emergency reserves plan was one major topic discussed by the E.C. ministers. In another move, they approved over the objections of Germany, the Netherlands and Denmark a guideline to permit a greater volume of non-E.C. natural gas via pipelines through the Community.

The guideline must still be approved by the European Parliament before taking effect.

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#90302d8030 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (OCT. 29) - Two European airlines, Italian Alitalia and Swiss Swissair, decided on Monday to suspend flights to Amman for commercial reasons, the two companies said.

A management source at Alitalia here told AFP that the company had suspended flights because of a sharp drop in the number of tourists visiting Jordan due to the Gulf crisis.

"No tourists want to come to Jordan because of events in the Gulf, which have caused an atmosphere of insecurity in the region.

"Some flights carried no more than 20 or 30 passengers...this was no longer profitable."

The company operated two flights per week to Amman, and it planed to resume the flights from April.

The Director of Tourism here said that Jordan had lost "100 per cent of its tourism in the space of a few days" after Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2. Losses were already estimated officially to be 240 million dollars.

A Swissair manager said that his company had decided to suspend twice-weekly

flights during the winter. The measure was "temporary and is part of a re-evaluation of overall activity in the Middle East", the source said.

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#90302d8040 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (OCT. 29) - Several hundred heavily armed riot police Monday effectively shut down the University of Zimbabwe when they drove the student body off the campus with tear gas and warning shots fired from automatic weapons.

The latest development came amidst growing alarm at the government's intention to introduce new laws governing the university which, academics charge, will deprive it of its current autonomy and academic freedom and turn it into a government body.

Students confirmed that five members of the students' representative council, including its president, Christopher Giwa, had been arrested by police after scenes on the campus last Friday when a student mob ran amok and administrative offices were burnt, destroying valuable records and examination papers.

On Monday morning, police arrived early at the campus and fired shots into the air as students attempted to held a meeting. They were driven away by tear gas and throughout the morning, police pursued students across the extensive university grounds.

The incidents were almost a repeat of campus violence last year -at the time an independent commission of inquiry accused the police of using ''excessive violence'' - when the university was closed for three weeks. Minister of Higher Education David Karimanzira said last year's incidents had taught the government that it ''definitely needs someone there who is empowered to control and account for the events'' at the university.

The legislation passed by parliament last week - but still to be signed by President Robert Mugabe before it becomes law - puts the university council, its controlling body, firmly in government hands, and also gives the vice-chancellor, the state-appointed executive officer, sweeping powers.

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#90302d8060 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANUR BEACH, INDONESIA (OCT. 29) - Indonesia will retaliate against European Economic Community (EEC) countries that obey a European Parliament call for a boycott of Malaysian wood products, Forestry Minister Hasjrul Harahap said here Monday.

"An action entails a reaction," Mr. Harahap told reporters, adding that

Indonesia could boycott European dairy products or even capital goods.

Mr. Harahap said he believed the Indonesian government's sentiment on the issue was shared by other members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), which groups Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand, Singapore, the Philippines and Brunei.

Asked if this could mean a trade war, he said: "If they ask for it, yes."

"If someone pushes us to the corner, we will push them to the sea," he said.

But he added that he preferred negotiations to a trade war and in any case, he did not believe EEC member governments would obey the call since the European Parliament had no power over them.

The European Parliament in Strasbourg on Thursday endorsed a resolution calling for a ban on imports of tropical hardwoods from the eastern Malaysian state of Sarawak, saying that deforestation by loggers in the area was catastrophic.

Mr. Harahap said Malaysia should be given at least 10 years to implement the concept of sustainable forest management.

Mr. Harahap Monday presented the results of a recent ASEAN forestry mission to EEC countries at the ASEAN economic ministers meeting under way on this holiday island of Bali.

The mission aimed to counter a campaign in Europe against the use of tropical wood products, an important export item for many ASEAN countries.

He said the campaign was unfair since the pollution produced by industrial countries caused greater damage to the global environment than logging.

"We increase our tropical forest area and you reduce your pollution," he said.

Mr. Harahap said the mission had tried to address the European Parliament but was turned down.

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#90302d8070 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (OCT. 29) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on Monday recorded an interview with Cable News Network (CNN) of the United States, which the network said would be aired at 0100 GMT.

The Iraqi News Agency, in a dispatch received here, said the interview dealt with the situation in the Gulf as well as "international efforts to reach a political solution to the problems of the region."

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#90302d8110 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RIYADH (OCT. 29) - Saudi Arabia Monday lashed out at Yemeni President Ali Abdullah Saleh over the latter's remarks accusing Riyadh of seeking to undermine stability in Yemen and mistreating Yemeni nationals in the oil-rich kingdom.

The Saudi Press Agency (Spa) quoted a responsible source as refuting charges against Saudi Arabia made by the Yemeni president in an interview with the New York Times newspaper.

In the interview, published on October 26, Saleh criticized Saudi Arabia for calling in U.S. and other foreign troops to the kingdom. He also accused Riyadh of working to undermine stability in Yemen by taking measures that had forced more than half a million Yemenis to leave Saudi Arabia and return home.

The Saudi source said Saleh charged that the returning Yemenis had been mistreated by Saudi soldiers on the border and were not allowed to take their belongings with them. In the same interview, Saleh described Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as an ''excellent Arab leader and a good Arab nationalist''.

Yemen has supported Saddam in his conflict with the U.S.-led alliance against Iraq over its invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

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#90302d8190 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (OCT. 29) - A London-based charitable organization headed by Mother Teresa has proposed peace talks on neutral ground in a bid to promote a non-violent settlement of the Gulf crisis, a senior member of the organization said here Monday.

Daniel Lillis, Deputy Secretary General of Refugee Year, said Mother Teresa had recently sent a letter outlining the project to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

He said he and the organization's secretary general, Reverend Kevin Doheny, were in Baghdad October 15 for talks with Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan and senior officials.

Both activists plan to meet in Washington with U.S. President George Bush and then travel to Rome to seek the cooperation of the Italian government, the current holder of the rotating European Economic Community presidency.

"Father Doheny remains in Baghdad. I will leave for London Tuesday but will return to Baghdad as soon as the Iraqi government has had a chance to fully

consider its response," said Mr. Lillis.

He declined to reveal the names of the participants or where the proposed contacts would be held, but he said locations outside the region were being considered.

Mr. Lillis called British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's approach to the Gulf crisis "unhelpful" and said Refugee Year had not yet asked her government to take part in the contacts.

"We will contact the British government after our trip to Washington," he added.

Based on his talks with Iraqi officials, Mr. Lillis stressed that the release of "foreign nationals from Iraq and Kuwait was not dependent upon the removal of sanctions but rather upon the removal of threat of war."

Washington and London spearheaded international condemnation of Iraq in the aftermath of its August 2 invasion of Kuwait and both countries have deployed troops in Saudi Arabia to guard against a feared Iraqi attack.

Mr. Lillis said Mother Teresa had offered to send a "group of her sisters to help relieve the plight of vulnerable groups affected by United Nations sanctions" against Baghdad, as well as supplies of baby food and medicine.

Refugee Year, formed in November 1989, hopes to raise 30 million dollars in the next 12 months to implement a relief programme to help the world's homeless and displaced refugees, according to Mr. Lillis.

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#90302d8200 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO, (OCT. 29) - Foreign financial aid to the Soviet Union should be used for privatisation of the economy, not to finance state firms or satisfy consumer demand, Moscow mayor Gavril Popov said here Monday.

"I think that loans are necessary, but for privatisation," Mr. Popov told a press luncheon. "If loans will be used for the purpose of buying foodstuffs or consumer goods as the president (Mikhail Gorbachev) wants to do, history will repeat itself."

Mr. Popov, an economist linked to the reform-minded Russian leader Boris Yeltsin, said it was necessary to build an economy which can pay back loans and provide goods "so that these loans make us reliable partners for foreigners."

While he acknowledged the right of the central Soviet government to accept foreign loans, the mayor questioned their distribution and final destination.

An opponent of financial aid to state enterprises, Mr. Popov expressed his desire to obtain foreign loans, mainly Japanese, to boost Moscow's economy.

"If we obtain these loans, we will orient them to the shops which will be privatised because private owners will be able to pay them back," Mr. Popov said, adding that he also wanted to privatise the capital's housing.

He said the current policy of passive resistance pursued by Soviet reformers led by Mr. Yeltsin against Mr. Gorbachev's economic program would only last a limited time.

"It is obvious that this program will not solve the problems of the country and even more, it will make them more serious," he said, adding that some reformers might resign rather than take responsibility for its failure.

Mr. Popov said a coalition government of the centre left was the only solution because "strikes can only be stopped by us and nobody else." He added, however, that Mr. Gorbachev "must stay on in his post of president."

The mayor said that Moscow and the Russian republic were holding talks with other cities and republics as well as with foreign countries.

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#90302d8430 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAMMU, INDIA (OCT. 29) - Seven people were killed and eight more injured when Moslem militants exchanged gunfire with paramilitary troopers in Kashmir Monday, a police spokesman said.

He said an unspecified number of militants launched a rocket attack before dawn on the regional headquarters of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) in Srinagar, the summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir state.

The CRPF men fired back, opening a gunbattle that left three militants, two CRPF men and two civilian bystanders dead and eight more people injured, three critically, the spokesman said.

Ten suspects were detained after the army was called out to help the CRPF search for the militants.

In other incidents, a fire that erupted after an exchange of gunfire between militants and security forces gutted some 70 dwellings and shops in Kashmir valley's Mattan township, some 64 kilometres (40 miles) to the southeast of Srinagar late Sunday.

No one was reported killed or injured, official sources said.

Militants burnt a bridge at Ashquim, 30 kms (18 miles) from Srinagar overnight

the sources said. They did not give details.

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#90302d8450 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (OCT. 29) - The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) has started a worldwide campaign to encourage tea-drinking, especially among young people, the United Nations specialized agency announced here on Monday.

The FAO said in a statement: "Tea is not only a beverage representing no health risk, but it has also been determined medically that it helps prevent certain types of cancer, heart ailments and all diseases due to fluorine deficiencies".

Delegates of 27 countries that recently took part in a meeting on tea stressed "the positive effects of tea-drinking on health".

The FAO noted that world tea output rose by three per cent a year between 1980 and 1988, to 2,482,000 tonnes in the latter year. Production might hit 2,951,000 tonnes in 1995, according to current estimates.

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#90302d8520 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUNKIRK, FRANCE (OCT. 29) - Dunkirk dockers voted on Monday to end a 33-day-long strike with acceptance of a draft agreement to develop traffic in the channel port.

The dockers were protesting against high unemployment, but the president of the employers' maritime and commercial union, Edouard De Clebsattel, said that the agreement opened the way to "renovate" the port and that it "assured the long-term outlook".

The CGT Communist-led union said that in return for guaranteeing the safety of goods passing through the port, and continuous operation of cross-channel traffic, the dockers had obtained undertakings from French companies that they would send their finished goods through Dunkirk and not to Belgian and Dutch ports.

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#90302d8560 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (OCT 29) - Airlines belonging to the International Air Transport Association (IATA) condemned Iraq on Monday for violating air space and Kuwait airport, and demanded the release of all their passengers and crew detained in Iraq.

A resolution on these points was adopted without any objections being raised,

even by the delegation from Iraqi Airways, which made no observations, at the 46th annual general meeting of IATA.

IATA has 200 member airlines accounting for 95 percent of world air traffic.

The resolution also demanded that seized aircraft be released and called on Iraq to ensure safe conditions in which airlines could carry out their business.

The meeting elected the director general of Kenya Airways as president for 1990-1991 in succession to Moehammad Soeparno, president of the Indonesian Garuda airlines.

The next meeting will be held at the end of October 1991 in Nairobi.

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#90302d8570 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (OCT 29) - The governor of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) Central Bank said a prolonged Gulf crisis could wipe out the country's gains from higher oil prices and production.

Abdul Malik al-Hamar said in an address Sunday that contributions to a multinational force in the Gulf, increased defence needs and aid for crisis-hit countries would offset a sharp increase in oil revenues that followed Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

"The longer the state of wait-and-see, the bigger these emergency expenditures are likely to be," Mr. Hamar said. "This means a bigger deficit for the UAE."

UAE oil revenues are expected to rise by 35 percent to 50 billion dirhams (13.6 billion dollars) this year form 37 billion dirhams (10 billion dollars) in 1989, he said.

Mr. al-Hamar said revenues of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) would rise by 43 percent to 60 billion dollars in 1990 due to oil prices that have doubled since the invasion and increased output.

He said Kuwait's other partners in the GCC -- Saudi Arabia, Oman, Qatar and Bahrain -- would also suffer from high costs connected with the multinational forces and defence.

"GCC states need to chalk out a new oil policy that should be linked to overall development," Mr. al-Hamar added.

He said panic withdrawals in UAE commercial banks immediately after the invasion had caused a flight of seven billion dirhams (1.9 billion dollars) out of the country.

"If there is a war, I expect transfer of funds to be at that level for months."

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#90302d8630 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Paris (OCT. 29) - Moscow pledged to repay its debts owed to France since the days of the czar, Soviet diplomats said Monday.

The pledge was contained in an article of the Franco-Soviet treaty on understanding and cooperation signed at the Paris summit of the presidents from both countries. The sum at stake and the modalities remained to be finalised, they added.

Moscow sold some 5,000 Russian government bonds worth an estimated 12 billion old gold francs (about 240 billion French francs today or 48 billion dollars) between 1822 and 1917 in France. Most of the old securites are held by the French state.

The bond holders formed an association in 1986 to press for their demands that Moscow honour its old obligations after Moscow agreed to repay similar czar-time debts owed to Britons.

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#90302d8690 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (OCT. 29) - Hindu-Moslem clashes left eight people dead in India as troops armed with shoot orders braced themselves Monday for a showdown with Hindu militants in Ayodhya, the northern pilgrim town at the centre of a raging religious dispute.

Five people, including a paramilitary police officer, were killed in the southern city of Hyderabad, and a judge and two others died in the northern town of Rampur in communal rioting that began Sunday night, press reports said.

The army was alerted in Hyderabad and a curfew clamped in Rampur, the Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency said. It said Hindu-Moslem tensions were running high in several parts of India.

Troops were also enforcing an indefinite curfew on the eastern industrial town of Ranchi where mob violence, bomb blasts and police gunfire had left four dead Sunday, PTI said.

The deaths took the toll to more than 100 in a week of Hindu-Moslem unrest.

The latest violence was reported a day before the deadline set by Hindu fundamentalists to raze an ancient Moslem mosque and build a temple in Ayodhya, 700 kilometres (420 miles) east of New Delhi.

The Hindu-revivalist Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP, Indian People's Party) is at the forefront of the programme, which has raised widespread fears of a communal bloodbath and prompted an unprecedented government crackdown.

More than 100,000 Hindu activists have been arrested in the nationwide crackdown, a majority of them in the state of Uttar Pradesh where Ayodhya is located. Thousands were arrested Monday.

Hundreds have died in dozens of communal clashes since 1986, when a judge in Faizabad ruled that the mosque closed since 1949 be unlocked and Hindus be permitted to worship their idols.

Idols of Rama, his consort Sita and brother Lakshmana were smuggled in on December 22, 1949 by Hindus who claim they appeared magically.

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#90302d8770 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT. 29) - Israeli troops Monday shot and wounded three Palestinians in clashes with demonstrators on the occupied Gaza Strip, Arab sources said.

Two Palestinians were wounded when troops opened fire to disperse a protest in Gaza City and a third was hit by army gunfire in Jabalia refugee camp, the sources said.

A military court in Gaza City sentenced two Palestinians, Yusuf Hassan Abu Najah and Zakaria Ishaak Osman, both aged 20, to life imprisonment for the murders of several Palestinians they had accused of collaborating with Israel.

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#90302d8810 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT 29) - The French actor Alain Delon said here Monday he was selling 32 paintings in his art collection in Japan so he could buy new works.

"I sell to buy better and I need money to buy what pleases me," Mr. Delon said adding that he was reorienting his collection toward "other forms of painting such as Fauvism, German expressionism and 1950's'abtract art."

He was addressing a news conference to present an auction of 32 works on November 25 by high-definition satellite feed from Paris to the Japanese cities of Tokyo, Osaka, Nagoya, Hiroshima and Fukuoka.

The actor, who is well-known in Japan, was putting up a portrait of Modigliani with an estimated value of one million dollars, a Courbet, two Corots and two Bonnards.

Mr. Delon said his collection "was more for collectors than speculators."

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#90302d8830 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (OCT. 29) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

	cash	forward
Copper	1,357.00 (1,407.50)	1,349.50 (1,393.50)
Lead	372.00 (372.00)	374.75 (375.50)
Zinc Hg	1,341.00 (1,335.50)	1,326.00 (1,335.50)
Tinano	6,190.00 (6,210.00)	6,190.00 (6,210.00)
Aluminium	1,892.50 (1,962.50)	1,742.50 (1,786.00)
Nickel	9,025.50 (9,100.00)	8,637.50 (8,687.50)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90302d8850 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) - Jordan's King Hussein said in a recent interview he thought there was "always a chance for peace" in the Gulf crisis, and that Iraq was showing signs of moving toward creation of a more peaceful region.

In an interview published in the latest edition of Time magazine, King Hussein also said he believes "Jordan is being punished for holding its head high and trying to contribute to a solution that makes sense."

After Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, King Hussein was criticized for his ambiguous stand toward Iraqi President Saddam Hussein at a time when the international community loudly denounced Iraqi aggression.

"I believe there is still a chance for peace, but it must be pursued by all of us," he said.

Asked whether he believed President George Bush, Saudi King Fahd and Iraq's President Hussein were committed to a peaceful outcome, King Hussein said, "There are signs coming out of Iraq at this time that suggest a readiness to move toward a peaceful and secure region."

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#90302d8870 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (OCT 29) - A Vietnamese forestry vice minister has been sacked for abuse of power after newspapers uncovered deals in which he allegedly lost the

state millions of dollars, the Nhan Dan reported Monday.

Since May, the press has accused Than Trung Hieu of abusing power and serious infractions, the official newspaper said.

The reports have said that the infractions and poor decisions by Mr. Hieu lost the state some 48 billion dong (7.68 million dollars), particularly in wood export deals.

The sacking of Mr. Hieu was announced in a letter to the Nhan Dan from Forestry Minister Phan Xuan Dot.

The minister also announced the firing of two union general directors in forestry companies under his ministry. He said legal action would be taken against the two, Nguyen Hay and Nguyen Man.

A national campaign against government corruption has been in full swing over the last two months, touching dozens of senior officials, including vice ministers.

Three director generals of the central bank were fired early this month.

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#90302d8910 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT 29) - An urgent meeting of European Community trade ministers slated for Tuesday on solving the E.C. row over a common formula on farm subsidy cuts was postponed until next week, Italian diplomats said here Monday.

The E.C. has already missed by two weeks a deadline to present its joint proposal on farm subsidy cuts at the present Uruguay Round on liberalising world trade under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. The talks are due to end in early December.

E.C. leaders at their weekend Rome summit again deferred a decision on the E.C. executive Commission proposal to their ministers who have repeated failured to reach an agreement.

France and Germany oppose the Commission proposal to cut farm subsidies by 30 percent until 1996 on the grounds that it would hurt its national farmers.

The United States has demanded that farm subsidies be slashed by more than 75 percent by the end of the decade.

The diplomats said Foreign Trade Minister Renato Ruggiero of Italy, which currently holds the E.C. presidency, would travel to Bonn Tuesday as part of an E.C. tour aimed at settling the dispute. The trade ministers would probably meet in Brussels on November 5.

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#90302d8930 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT. 29) - The Iraqi Airways plane taking some 300 French hostages home to France left Baghdad Monday, the Foreign Ministry said here.

The plane took off at 1730 GMT, the ministry said.

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#90302d8980 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OSLO (OCT 29) - Two people died and two others were seriously injured when a Norwegian air force plane crashed in northern Norway on Monday.

The plane, a Twinn Otter carrying 12 passengers and four crew on a flight from Bardufoss to Honningsvaag, was about to land when it crashed about 100 metres from the runway.

The cause of the crash is unknown. Winds at the time were 30 knots per hour. The accident is under investigation.

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#90302d9140 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ACCRA (OCT 29) - The leader of the breakaway rebel group in Liberia, Prince Yormie Johnson, has accused remnants of the forces of slain president Samuel Doe of stealing food from civilians and said the West African peacekeeping force in the country has failed to control them, the British Broadcasting Corporation (Bbc) reported Monday.

The Bbc, monitored here, said Johnson complained that the peacekeeping force was allowing the late president's soldiers to roam the streets of the capital, Monrovia. They were also manning checkpoints. Johnson said they should be confined to the Berkely Training Centre.

Johnson said this was a crucial time in the history of the West African country and they could not assure the security of international relief operations when the soldiers were stealing food from civilians.

''There is trouble coming. You trouble civilians and you trouble me (Johnson) '' he declared.

Johnson said there was no trouble between him and the 9,000-strong peacekeeping force. However, the ceasefire accord signed between his group and remnants of Doe's supporters in Banjul last week would be invalid if reports of theft continued.

He said failure to control Doe's soldiers threatened the return of full-scale relief operations in Liberia where several thousand people face starvation after 10 months of civil war.

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#90302d9260 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 29) - French President Francois Mitterrand said Monday the release of some 330 French hostages in Kuwait and Iraq had not been negotiated by the Paris government.

The 330 French nationals, along with the last six remaining Paris diplomats in Kuwait and 10 Greeks, were meanwhile on a flight to Paris from Baghdad aboard an Iraqi plane. The aircraft was due to arrive at Paris Roissy airport shortly before midnight local time, the French foreign ministry said.

The plane would be loaded with medicine before its return to Baghdad, the foreign ministry added.

Mitterrand told reporters France had sent no envoys to Baghdad to negotiate the release of its nationals. Paris would be content only if all foreign nationals held in Iraq had been freed.

The 10 Greeks were allowed to leave Iraq on health grounds. Their release was negotiated by two former Greek socialist ministers. Fourteen other Greeks remain in Iraq.

Prague said 18 Czechoslovak technicians were refused permission to leave Iraq despite valid travel documents in an apparant reaction to Prague's decision to send an anti-poison gas army unit to join the multinational force in Saudi Arabia.

Bonn said it remained opposed to a humanitarian mission to Iraq by former Social Democratic chancellor Willy Brandt but pledged it would not leave the about 400 Germans hostages to their fate.

European Community leaders Sunday vowed that Iraq's selective release of foreign hostages would not erode their unity on the Gulf crisis, and they pledged not to negotiate with Baghdad to bring their fellow nationals home.

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#90302d9270 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT 29) - NATO sea exercises in the eastern Mediterranean will be prolonged at Washington's request, the NATO command said Monday.

Eight warships with 2,000 men aboard are involved in the exercises, code-named Navocformed, which are now continuing until December 11 in relation to the

Gulf crisis. The exercises were originally to end Wednesday.

The North Atlantic Treaty Organization said it prolonged the exercises in response to a request received on September 10 by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker.

The naval force is currently steaming towards Tarante, in southeast Italy. The eight-nation fleet will stopover in Palermo (Sicily) before returning to the eastern Mediterranean.

Ships from Greece, Germany, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Turkey, Britain and the United States are taking part in the exercises, which began on September 10 under the command of Captain Georg Beserianos of Greece.

They could notably monitor vessels which go through the Suez Canal on their way to the Gulf, informed sources said.

A statement from the NATO command said the manoeuvres would also compensate for the absence of naval units deployed in the Gulf region.

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#90302d9390 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker will begin his planned trip to Europe and the Middle East on Friday, State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler announced here Monday.

Tutwiler said the trip would last eight days and would include Saudi Arabia. She was unable to name any of the other countries Baker would visit.

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#90302d9490 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT. 29) - Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy was received here for talks Monday evening by French Premier Michel Rocard.

No details on the discussions were revealed, but they were believed to have concentrated on developments in Israel following the bloodbath on the Temple Mount earlier this month, and on the Gulf crisis and its effects on the security situation in the Middle East.

On the eve of his visit to Paris, Levy had expressed fears that the West might agree to an arrangement with Iraq regarding Kuwait which would leave Baghdad's military strength untouched.

Levy is to meet with French President Francois Mitterrand on Wednesday.

-30- 838
#90302d9550 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (OCT. 29) - President Saddam Hussein late Monday chaired a meeting of the Iraqi general staff, also attended by Defence Minister General Abdel Jabbar Chanchal, the Iraqi News Agency reported.

The agency said the Minister of Industry and Military Industrialization, Hussein Kamal Hassan, took part in the meeting.

The report gave no details on the talks.

Mr. Hassan, the president's son-in-law, was named Sunday as temporary replacement for Oil Minister Issam Abdel Rahim al-Jalabi, who was sacked in a dispute over the country's capacity to produce chemical additives.

President Hussein also annulled an order rationing gasoline and motor oil.

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#90302d9600 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (OCT. 29) - PLO leader Yasser Arafat met Monday in Baghdad with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for talks on the latest situation in the Arab world and the Palestinian question, the Iraqi News Agency reported.

President Hussein paid tribute to the Palestinian uprising in the Israeli-occupied territories, the agency said in a dispatch monitored here. Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz also took part in the meeting.

The Palestine Liberation Organisation chairman met Sunday in the Iraqi capital with Soviet presidential envoy Yevgeni Primakov.

Mr. Arafat and the Soviet envoy, who is currently on a Middle East tour, were to maintain contacts "aimed at securing a political settlement to the Gulf crisis," according to the Palestinian news agency WAFA.

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#90302d9710 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT. 29) - The Soviet Union has requested a total of 10 billion francs (almost two billion dollars) in French financial aid, a French diplomatic source said Monday evening.

The source said that, in addition to the five billion francs in aid already granted to the Soviet Union under a bilateral financial protocol, the Soviet Union could receive an equal additional amount from France, but within a multilateral framework yet to be laid down.

That framework might involve aid from the European Economic Community, or the

Group of Seven (leading industrial countries United States, Canada, Japan, Britain, France, Italy, Germany).

The source said that the financial agreement signed Sunday in connection with a visit here by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev involves a loan guaranteed by the French government and made on "market terms". A banking consortium will be set up by November 20 to arrange the loan.

The initial aid installment is supposed to refinance Soviet arrears in payments tio French business (around 1.5 billion francs) and to finance Soviet purchases of French foodstuffs, steel and chemicals.

Separately, a Soviet source said on Monday that the compensation the Soviet Union is to offer French holders of Czarist bonds, the principle of which was announced during Mr. Gorbachev's brief visit here, is likely to be only partial, along the lines of what was done in Britain after the 1986 Anglo-Soviet agreement.

The "real value" of such bonds is enormous, and Franco-Soviet talks are in progress on just how much compensation should be paid and how, the source said.

In 1918, Frenchmen held Czarist bonds worth the equivalent of around 40 billion dollars in terms of today's dollars. Around 28 billion dollars' worth are thought to be still held.

The Soviet Union could not possibly pay such a sum, and the solution will proably be to use only the face value indicated on the bonds, 500 francs each, neglecting the point that 500 francs at that time would be equivalent to 10,000 francs (almost 2,000 dollars) now.

Actually, the payment will probably be reduced further by paying each bond holder only part of the face value.

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#90302d9750 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 29) - France and Egypt signed three financial agreements here Monday for a total of 968 million francs (130 million dollars), the French Economics and Finance Ministry announced.

The announcement said that, in accordance to a conmmitment to Egypt made by President Francois Mitterrand, the agreements include 250 million francs in emergency aid for the Egyptian balance of payments.

Various development projects are covered by the agreements in the fields of health, transportation, energy, agriculture and telecommunications, to the extent of 718 million francs.

President Mitterrand had announced at the end of September that he planned to take exceptional steps to help Egypt cope with the consequences of the Gulf crisis.

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#90302d9820 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (OCT 29) - Bangladeshi teachers said Monday they would not resume classes until the government repealed a new ordinance which it used to shut all schools on October 13 in the face of mounting student protests.

"We will take classes in the open air if all schools are not opened simultaneously," Yazuddin Ahmed, president of the Dhaka University Teachers Association, told a meeting at the university campus.

He said the teachers would not resume classes until the new ordinance was repealed. All primary and secondary schools here and five of the country's seven universities were shut by the government.

The teachers called for the immediate resignation of President Hussain Mohammad Ershad, who is also the chancellor of Bangladesh's universities, because of his approval of the "illegal ordinance."

The ordinance empowers the government to shut educational institutions for one month or more and impose sanctions of six months' imprisonment and fines of 1,000 taka (28 dollars) for violators.

The teachers, belonging to different levels of educational institutions of the country, also called on their colleagues not to hold classes when only secondary level schools reopen Thursday.

-30- 1418

#90302d9890 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 30) - With just five weeks to go until the first all-German general elections, the Social Democratic Party (Spd) is in a forlorn state.

The Spd has buried all hope of toppling the centre-right government of Helmut Kohl, and is bracing for what could be one of the most devastating election losses in its history.

Opinion surveys in recent days show that on election day December 2 only 32 to 36 per cent of the 59 million eligible German voters intend to vote Spd. That would represent the worst oucome since 1957 when only 31.8 voted for the Social Democrats.

When the German television magazine show ''Monitor'' aired a tongue-in-cheek report last week that the Spd was calling off its campaign efforts, a lot of

viewers took the joke seriously.

Just three months ago Spd standard-bearer Oskar Lafontaine, 47, prophesied, ''Kohl's image will begin to tarnish in the autumn.''

But in fact, it was the challenger whose image lost its lustre. By October only 38 percent of those Germans surveyed said they would vote for Lafontaine if given the chance to do so in a direct election. For Kohl were 52 percent.

The 60-year-old Christian Democratic Union chancellor has taken the wind out of the sails of his opponents in recent months with his concept for German unity. Warnings by the Spd that the forced unity was leading East Germanny into unemployment and poverty found fewer and fewer listeners.

In the state elections in the five new eastern German federal states on October 14, the Spd garnered only one legislature. Kohl's Cdu was strongest party in four states.

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#90302d9930 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT 29) - The State Department said Monday it had no reason to question the conclusion of international observers who said the outcome of Pakistan's general elections was not significantly affected by irregularities.

"Despite observing some iregularities, the delegation did not conclude these irregularities significantly altered the outcome of the elections," State Deparment spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said.

"Nothing in our own observations would lead us to question the observer team's findings," she said, adding it was too early to render judgement on the provincial elections held over the weekend.

A team of 40 observers from the Washington-based National Democratic Institute Friday did not confirm former prime minister Benazir Bhutto's accusations of massive election fraud.

But another team of observers from the International Federation of Human Rights charged Monday that the elections' outcome had been affected by "highly sophisticated fraud."

The Islamic Democratic Alliance routed Ms. Bhutto's People's Democratic Alliance in the October 24 elections, capturing 105 parliament seats compared to the PDA's 45 seats.

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#90302d9950 10/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (OCT 29) - The Iraqi embassy in Athens said nine Greeks were among Westerners flying Monday to Paris from Baghdad and the Greek government accused Iraq of intervening in its internal affairs.

A communique from the Iraqi embassy in Athens said Monday that Iraqi authorities had let nine Greeks leave Baghdad Monday after an ''initiative'' by the Greek socialist party Pasok.

''The desire of Iraq to intervene in the internal affairs of the country (Greece) is clear and the government absolutely condemns this policy,'' government spokesman Byron Polydoras said in reaction to the communique.

The communique said two Pasok members of parliament had ''contacts with Iraqi leaders in Baghdad.''

The Conservative government here is in uproar over claims by the opposition socialists that they gained the release of Greek hostages.

A plane coming from Baghdad to Paris Monday, with some 270 French hostages aboard, had not yet reached Paris. It was due to land at 2230 GMT.

It was not clear exactly how many Greeks were aboard.

Mr. Polydoras said a special Olympic Airways flight would wait for the hostages in Paris to take them home.

They were among 24 Greek hostages being held in Iraq and were released on health grounds, Mr. Polydoras said.

Pasok claimed responsibility for gaining their release after MP's Carolos Papoulias and Akis Tshohatzopoulos spent five days in Iraq negotiating with Iraqi authorities.

Mr. Papoulias, former foreign minister, said the release was a "personal gift from Iraq to Papandreou."

Andreas Papandreou, prime minister from 1981 to 1989, is leader of Pasok.

Conservative papers accused the two Socialist deputies of "belly dancing" in front of the "butcher of Baghdad."

Mr. Papoulias said he hoped the remaining Greeks in Iraq would soon be given exit visas, but told the Socialist newspaper Ta Nea that he did "not understand why all the (Greek) hostages had not been allowed home together."

-30- 2187
#90302e0013 10/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT 29) EFE - Israel is considering new restrictions on Palestinians working in Jerusalem which could see a total of 15,000 refused entry to the city, an Israeli newspaper reported Monday.

The daily Ha'aretz said the Defence Ministry would study Monday plans drawn up by its own officials, police, the secret services and the military and civil governments of the Occupied Territories.

The government was likely to turn away about 8,000 Arabs from Jerusalem who have either police records or are known to be active in the Intifada, or uprising, against Israeli occupation, Ha'aretz added.

Some 7,000 workers with police records have already been prohibited from entering Jerusalem since borders between Israel and the Occupied Territories were reopened early Sunday after a a four day closure.

The borders had been sealed following several weeks of revenge attacks between Jews and Arabs sparked by the police killing of at least 19 Palestinian protesters October 8.

Only 60 per cent of the estimated 120,000 Palestinians with jobs in Jerusalem returned to work Sunday.

The pro-government daily Jerusalem Post attributed this to fears of attacks by Jews, to tight security set up at border posts and in the city and because several thousand have lost their jobs to Israelis or Soviet Jews who have emmigrated to Israel.

The killing by Israeli police of the Palestinian demonstrators on Jerusalem's Temple Mount unleashed a wave of violence between Arabs and Jews in which at least five people were killed.

International outrage over police action at the Tmeple Mount led to a United Nations resolution which condemned the shootings and announced the U.N.'s decision to send a team to Jerusalem to investigate the violence.

Ha'aretz reported Monday that the Israeli government, which until now has said it will not cooperate with the U.N. team, is considering reversing its decision.

The newspaper said government officials were discussing the issue with the United States, its closest Western ally, but did not give further details.

Ha'aretz said members of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's government feared that the U.N. Security Council could impose sanctions on Israel over its refusal to cooperate with the international organization.

In a related event, Israeli state radio reported that Shamir and Police

Minister Roni Millo are to decide this week whether to punish police chiefs for failing to be adequately prepared to deal with protests by Palestinian demonstrators which led to the October 8 killings.

A government-appointed commission concluded Friday that Moslem leaders had incited Arab demonstrators to violence and that with only 45 police officers deployed in the Temple Mount area, the use of firearms to control the 3,000 Arab demonstrators was justified.

But it said police should have been better prepared to deal with the incident.

The Palestinian demonstration had been called to protest plans by a group of Jewish extremists to build a synagogue on Temple Mount, the site of two mosques and a holy place for both Moslems and Jews.

-30- 3339

#90302e0018 10/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

London (OCT. 29) EFE - Iran delayed the reopening of its London embassy for four days Monday to await the arrival of Iranian diplomats, officials said.

Britain and Iran agreed in September to reopen their embassies in Tehran and London, restoring diplomatic relations severed more than 18 months ago in a row over a British book considered by Moslems to be blasphemous.

Britain reopened its embassy in Tehran Sunday and Iran was due to follow suit Monday, but has postponed opening until Friday, diplomatic sources said.

Each mission will have five diplomats headed by a charge d'affaires. The governments have not yet set a date for the return to the embassies of the two ambassadors.

The cause of the rift was the death sentence passed on Britsh author Salman Rushdie by the late Iranian spiritual leader Ayatollah Khomeini for his book "Satanic Verses" which deeply offended many Moslems.

Ties were resumed after British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher publicly declared that Britain was not anti-Moslem.

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#90302e0020 10/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

CAIRO (OCT. 29) EFE - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said the country's economy has lost more than nine billion dollars since the start of the Gulf crisis, a Cairo newspaper reported Monday.

"We have sacrificed our economy to reach a definitive solution to the Gulf crisis," Mubarak told the daily Al-Ahram, referring to the effects of the

United Nations trade embargo imposed on Iraq after its August 2 invasion of neighboring Kuwait.

Mubarak said the losses were sharply felt in Egypt which imports 80 percent of its food.

The Gulf crisis has badly affected the tourist industry, one of Egypt's chief sources of income.

Egypt usually receives more than two million visitors annually but has lost over 40 percent of its tourist revenue since the invasion.

The reduction in boats passing through the Suez Canal as a result of the international embargo on trade with Iraq has also affected the Egyptian economy.

However, four Gulf Cooperation Council countries -- Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Oman -- which Mubarak visited last week agreed to write off seven billion dollars in Egyptian debts.

Saudi Arabia also offered Mubarak one billion dollars in aid to add to the 500 million dollars it had already granted the Egyptian government to fund development projects.

Egypt has spearheaded Arab opposition to Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait, sending an estimated 19,000 troops to join the multi-national force massed in the Gulf.

-30- 1671

#90302e0036 10/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (OCT 29) EFE - A former spokesman for the M-19 leftist rebel group-turned-political party took up office Monday as Colombian health minister.

The new minister, Camilo Gonzalez Posso, a 40-year-old chemical engineer, took over from fellow M-19 member Antonio Navarro Wolff.

The outgoing health minister resigned Thursday to stand for December 9 elections to the National Constituent Assembly which has been charged with drafting sweeping changes to the Colombian constitution.

During the handing-over ceremony, Wolff, who came third in presidential elections May 27, praised President Carlos Gaviria "for having taken the risk of breaking with Colombian history by naming an ex-guerrilla as minister."

Gonzalez Posso pledged to continue programs initiated by Wolff, including drinking-water systems for the poor.

The M-19 gave up arms and registered as a political party in March after fighting successive governments for 16 years.

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#90302f2021 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 29) UPI - Corn closed higher Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade but beans and oats were lower and wheat was mainly lower.

Rumors that the Soviet Union may have bought 500,000 tons of U.S. corn during the weekend fueled buying interest. U.S. exporters, however, said there was no indication of such a sale. Commercial buying was heavy in nearby December.

Beans dipped to new session lows on commercial hedging, professional selling and active weekend harvesting. They had gotten somewhat of a boost at midday from the renewed strength in corn and lack of farmer selling.

Wheat trade was choppy and quiet with professional selling weighing on prices. Reports of a record wheat harvest in China pressured wheat futures.

At the close, corn was unchanged to up 1 1/4, wheat was off 1 1/2 to up 1 1/2, beans were down 2 to 4 3/4 and oats were off 3/4 to 1.

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#90302h0020 10/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 29) XINHUA - THE BOMBAY-BASED NEOLUXE INDIA LTD. IS SETTING UP TWO JOINT VENTURES IN THE SOVIET UNION FOR PARTICLE BOARDS MADE OUT OF COTTON WASTE AND FOR DECORATIVE LAMINATES, LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY.

ACCORDING TO NAVIN DOSHI, CHAIRMAN OF THE GROUP, THE PROTOCOLS ARE SIGNED WITH THE ASHKHABAD CONSUMER GOODS PRODUCTION ASSOCIATION OF TURKMENIA AND WITH ASHKHABAD EXPERIMENTAL TEST MECHANICAL PLANT AND TURKMEN BANK OF ZHILOTABANK OF THE USSR. THE FIRST PLANT WILL BE LOCATED IN THE CITY OF CHARDJORE AND THE SECOND ONE AT TADJEN, TURKMENIA.

THE TOTAL INVESTMENT FOR THE CHARDJORE PROJECT WILL BE 7 MILLION ROUBLES, OF WHICH 6 MILLION ROUBLES IS THE COST OF TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT.

WHILE NEOLUXE WILL CONTRIBUTE 1.75 MILLION ROUBLES, THE TURKMEN PARTY WILL CONTRIBUTE 5.25 MILLION ROUBLES TO THE JOINT VENTURE.

THE FIRST STAGE OF PRODUCTION WILL BEGIN IN 1991 AND THE FULL CAPACITY WILL BE ACHIEVED IN 1992.

INDIA AND USSR SIGNED A PROTOCOL ON APRIL 16 THIS YEAR TO PROMOTE THE NEW FORMS OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

THEY HAVE APPROVED 36 JOINT VENTURES IN ALL IN THE USSR WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF INDIAN ENTERPRISES.

MORE THAN 40 VENTURES ARE AT DIFFERENT STAGES OF NEGOTIATIONS IN USSR AS WELL AS IN INDIA ACCORDING TO THE PROTOCOL.

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#90302h0025 10/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MADRID (OCT. 28) XINHUA - SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV ENDED HIS THREE-DAY VISIT TO SPAIN WITH A 1.5 BILLION U.S. DOLLAR CREDIT TO SUPPORT THE BATTERED SOVIET ECONOMY.

DURING HIS VISIT, GORBACHEV AND FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE SIGNED A RANGE OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC AGREEMENTS WITH SPANISH LEADERS.

THE MAIN AGREEMENT WAS FOR A SPANISH CREDIT TO MOSCOW OF 1.5 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS OVER THREE YEARS, WHICH WOULD BE TIED TO SOVIET PURCHASES OF SPANISH GOODS AND SERVICES.

AT A JOINT NEWS CONFERENCE WITH SPANISH PRIME MINISTER FELIPE GONZALEZ ON SATURDAY, THE SOVIET PRESIDENT APPEALED TO THE WEST TO HELP THE BATTERED SOVIET ECONOMY WITH SUBSTANTIAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT, SAYING THAT MOSCOW COULD OTHERWISE BE FORCED TO RETURN TO A SYSTEM OF STATE CONTROL.

THE SOVIET UNION IS ENGAGING IN TRANSFORMING ITS STATE ECONOMY INTO A MARKET ECONOMY. GORBACHEV SAID THAT WITHOUT THE HELP FROM THE WEST "WE WOULD HAVE TO RESORT MORE TO ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS FROM ABOVE RATHER THAN ECONOMIC, MARKET MEASURES."

GONZALEZ SAID THAT GORBACHEV'S REFORM HAS A PROFOUND INFLUENCE ON ALL EUROPEANS. "MY COUNTRY'S INTEREST IS TO INVEST IN PERESTROIKA," HE ADDED.

GORBACHEV LEFT FOR FRANCE TODAY.

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#90302h0049 10/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LHASA (OCT. 29) XINHUA - THE MAJOR WORK FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE HIGHWAY BETWEEN NAGQU AND QAMDO IN THE TIBET AUTONOMOUS REGION HAS BEEN COMPLETED AFTER THREE YEARS OF WORK.

THE 748-KM HIGHWAY IS AN IMPORTANT SECTION OF THE ARTERY ROAD CONNECTING SICHUAN PROVINCE AND TIBET.

THE WORK INVOLVED DIGGING 204 TUNNELS AND ERECTING NINE BRIDGES. IT WAS LISTED AS ONE OF THE STATE KEY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS DURING THE SEVENTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN PERIOD (1986-1990).

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#90302h0079 10/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
SHANGHAI (OCT. 26) XINHUA - SHANGHAI'S SALE OF THE RIGHTS TO USE ANOTHER LOT OF LAND BECAME OFFICIAL AT THE SIGNING CEREMONY THAT WAS HELD RECENTLY.

THE LAND, COVERING 16,140 SQUARE METERS, LIES IN JIADING COUNTY, IN THE SUBURBS OF SHANGHAI. THE BUYER, A'S EMPIRE DEVELOPMENT INC., PURCHASED THE SEVENTY-YEAR LEASE AT A COST OF 887,700 U.S.DOLLARS. THE COMPANY INTENDS TO USE THE LAND TO BUILD LUXURIOUS APARTMENT HOUSES.

THIS IS THE FOURTH TIME SHANGHAI HAS SOLD LAND USE RIGHTS.

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#90302h0086 10/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LUSAKA (OCT. 29) XINHUA - DIARRHOEA KILLS 28,000 ZAMBIAN CHILDREN ANNUALLY, WHICH ACCOUNTS FOR 14 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL MORTALITY OF ZAMBIAN CHILDREN, TIMES OF ZAMBIA REPORTED TODAY.

HOWEVER, WITH PROPER MANAGEMENT, 90 PERCENT OF THE CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM DIARRHOEA COULD BE SAVED FROM DEATH.

OPENING THE SUB-REGIONAL THIRD DIARRHOEA TRAINING UNIT AT THE UNIVERSITY TEACHING HOSPITAL HERE YESTERDAY, ZAMBIAN PRIME MINISTER MALIMBA MASHEKE CALLED ON THE STAFF MEMBERS OF THE UNIT TO MAKE EFFECTIVE USE OF THE UNIT'S FACILITIES IN COMBATTING THE DISEASE.

EARLIER, MINISTER OF HEALTH MAVIS MUYUNDA SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT PLANS TO INCREASE THE PRODUCTION OF ORAL REHYDRATION SALTS FOR CURING DIARRHOEA.

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#90302h0094 10/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
DHAKA (OCT. 29) XINHUA - MEDICAL SERVICE IN BANGLADESH WERE HALTED TODAY AS DOCTORS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY WENT ON A SEVEN-HOUR STRIKE TO PRESS FOR THEIR DEMAND FOR FORMULATING A NEW HEALTH POLICY ACCEPTABLE TO THEM.

THE BANGLADESH PARLIAMENT IN JULY THIS YEAR APPROVED A HEALTH POLICY WHICH BANS PRIVATE PRACTICE OF THE DOCTORS WORKING IN GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS. THEN THE GOVERNMENT GAVE UP THE HEALTH POLICY AFTER A SERIES OF STRIKES BY DOCTORS IN JULY AND AUGUST AND STARTED DISCUSSIONS WITH DOCTORS ON FORMULATING A NEW HEALTH POLICY WHICH CAN BE ACCEPTED TO BOTH SIDES.

A SPOKESMAN OF THE STRIKING DOCTORS SAID THEY ALSO DEMAND WITHDRAWAL OF "NON-PROFESSIONALS" IN THE NATIONAL HEALTH POLICY FORMULATING BODY.

DOCTORS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY WILL GO ON A 24-HOUR STRIKE ON NOVEMBER 5 IF THEIR DEMANDS WERE NOT MET, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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#90302h0098 10/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LIMA (OCT. 29) XINHUA - PERU HAS BEEN CHOSEN AS THE SITE OF THE HEADQUARTERS OF A MULTINATIONAL RICE TRADING COMPANY THAT WILL DEAL WITH TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN MEMBER STATES OF THE ANDEAN PACT, IT WAS REPORTED SUNDAY.

SOURCES NAMED AGUSTIN TORRES PEREZ AS THE MAN CHARGED WITH BRINGING THE PROJECT TO FRUITION. HE IS CURRENTLY TOURING THE ANDEAN NATIONS OF BOLIVIA, ECUADOR, COLOMBIA AND VENEZUELA.

ONE OF THE MAIN OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT IS TO OFFER RICE PRODUCERS A FAIR AND TIMELY PRICE THAT WILL ALLOW THE REGION TO RETURN TO ITS FORMER HIGH LEVELS OF EFFICIENCY, PRODUCTION AND COMPETITIVENESS IN THIS FIELD.

THE ANDEAN CONFEDERATION OF RICE INDUSTRIES HAS PROPOSED MOVING AHEAD WITH THE PRODUCTIVE INTEGRATION THAT LINKS THE MEMBER STATES OF THE ANDEAN PACT, REEVALUATING THE LEADING ROLE THAT ECONOMIC AGENTS MUCT PLAY AS PROMOTERS OF DEVELOPMENT CHANGE AND THE AUTHENTIC INTEGRATION OF THE ANDEAN PEOPLES, SOURCES ADDED.

IN THE PAST FEW YEARS, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCES, MANY RICE GROWERS IN THE REGION HAVE ABANDONED THE CROP IN ORDER TO CULTIVATE OTHER MORE PROFITABLE PRODUCTS, DUE TO THE UNFAIR PRICES AND UNTIMELY PAYMENTS GIVEN RICE HARVESTS.

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#90302h0101 10/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HAVANA (OCT. 29) XINHUA - CUBAN PRESIDENT FIDEL CASTRO EXPRESSED HIS INTEREST AND APPROVAL THIS WEEKEND FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATIVE PRODUCTION BETWEEN CHINA AND CUBA BY TAPPING INTO EACH OTHERS' STRONG POINTS.

CASTRO EXPRESSED INTEREST IN THE PROJECT SATURDAY DURING A RECEPTION HOSTED BY CHINA'S AMBASSADOR TO CUBA, CHEN JIUCHANG, IN HONOR OF A CHINESE DELEGATION HEADED BY THE MINISTER OF LIGHT INDUSTRY, ZENG XIANLIN, WHICH ARRIVED HERE ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT OCTOBER 21.

CASTRO ALSO SAID HE HOPED THAT THE TWO NATIONS WILL WORK MORE CLOSELY TOGETHER AND THAT THIS LEADS TO PRODUCTIVITY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

THE CUBAN LEADER SAID THAT CHINA, A COUNTRY OF ONE BILLION INHABITANTS, HAS BUILT ITS ECONOMY IN AN ORDERLY AND PRECISE FASHION, AND CUBA IS INTERESTED IN LEARNING FROM THE ASIAN GIANT'S EXPERIENCE.

BEFORE THE RECEPTION, THE TWO COUNTRIES SIGNED AN AGREEMENT CALLING FOR

COOPERATION BETWEEN CHINA'S MINISTRY OF LIGHT INDUSTRY AND CUBA'S SUGAR INDUSTRY.

ACCORDING TO THE AGREEMENT, THE TWO WILL COOPERATE ECONOMICALLY AND TECHNICALLY IN GROWING SUGAR CANE AND IN SUGAR PRODUCTION.

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PANAMA CITY (OCT. 29) XINHUA - AIDS, OR ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME, HAS KILLED 130 PANAMANIANS IN THE PAST SIX MONTHS, HEALTH OFFICIALS SAID SUNDAY.

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL REPORT, 112 OF THE VICTIMS WERE MEN, 18 WERE WOMEN. THE CURRENT DEATH RATE DUE TO AIDS IN THIS COUNTRY IS 5.7 OUT OF EVERY 100,000 PEOPLE.

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF AIDS PATIENTS REGISTERED IN PANAMA IS 230, ACCORDING TO THE SAME REPORT.

THE HEALTH MINISTRY SAYS THAT OF THE 230 CASES, 180 ARE MEN AND THE REST WOMEN.

AMONG THE PATIENTS, AIDS WAS MOST COMMONLY SPREAD THROUGH SEXUAL CONTACT AND THEN THROUGH BLOOD TRANSFUSIONS. OFFICIALS ESTIMATE THAT ABOUT 18,000 PANAMANIANS ARE CARRIERS OF THE AIDS VIRUS.

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KATHMANDU (OCT. 29) XINHUA - A THREE-DAY OFFICIAL LEVEL NEPAL-INDIA TELECOMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONAL COORDINATION MEETING STARTED HERE TODAY TO DISCUSS AUGMENTATION OF TELECOM SERVICES BESIDES REVIEWING MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

DECLARING OPEN OF THE MEETING, GENERAL MANAGER OF NEPAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION BHOOP PANDAY SAID THE RELIABILITY OF THE TERRESTRIAL MICROWAVE LINK HAS INCREASED CONSIDERABLY AND IT HAS BECOME ESSENTIAL TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES OF ALTERNATE ROUTE FOR THE TRAFFIC DIVERSION AND TO IMPROVE THE RELIABILITY.

LEADER OF THE INDIAN DELEGATION SEHGAL SAID, "WE ARE STRUGGLING FOR THE ACHIEVEMENT OF BETTER CALL COMPLETION RATE BY WAY OF INCREASE IN NUMBER OF TELEPHONES PER INHABITANT, NETWORK MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES."

AT PRESENT, WE HAVE ONLY 0.6 TELEPHONE PER 100 INHABITANCE, HE ADDED. HE SAID THE CALL COMPLETION RATE IN RESPECT OF TELEPHONE SERVICE BETWEEN INDIA AND NEPAL IS ROUGHLY AROUND 20 PERCENT, COMPARED WITH ABOUT 70 PERCENT IN THE ADVANCED COUNTRIES.

THIS POOR VALUE IS MAINLY DUE TO NATIONAL ROUTE CONGESTION, SUBSCRIBER BUSY AND NO ANSWER, ELECTRO-MECHANICAL EXCHANGES, LOW DENSITY OF TELEPHONES, AND NETWORK TROUBLES, HE NOTED.

THE COORDINATION MEETING IS HELD IN DELHI AND KATHMANDU ALTERNATELY EVERY YEAR.

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#90302h0113 10/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANAGUA (OCT. 29) XINHUA - NICARAGUA'S CENTRAL BANK ESTABLISHED A NEW CORDOBA-U.S. DOLLAR PARITY TODAY, ANNOUNCING EACH DOLLAR TO BE WORTH 1.540 MILLION CORDOBAS.

AS USUAL, THIS LATEST DEVALUATION IN NICARAGUAN CURRENCY WILL HAVE NEGATIVE REPERCUSSIONS ON THE PRICE OF STAPLE PRODUCTS COMPRISING THE SO-CALLED BASIC BASKET OF GOODS, ON FUEL AND ON TRASPORTATION.

NICARAGUA'S CENTRAL BANK ANNOUNCES A CURRENCY DEVALUATION EVERY MONDAY, LEADING NICARAGUANS TO CALL THE FIRST DAY OF THE WORK WEEK "BITTER OR BLACK."

THE CORDOBA IS DEVALUATED EACH WEEK BY ABOUT FIVE PERCENT.

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#90302h0114 10/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TIANJIN (OCT. 29) XINHUA - TIANJIN SUNWAY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND ENGINEERING LTD., A SINO-U.S. JOINT VENTURE OF HI-TECH ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS, BEGAN OPERATION HERE TODAY.

THE VENTURE WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE TIANJIN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY UNDER THE CHINA INTERNATIONAL TRUST AND INVESTMENT CORP., AND DIGITAL WORLD (H.K.) LTD. OF THE UNITED STATES. THE NEW COMPANY IS LOCATED IN THE ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT ZONE OF NORTH CHINA'S TIANJIN MUNICIPALITY. THE COMPANY'S REGISTERED CAPITAL IS 100,000 U.S. DOLLARS, OF WHICH 30 PERCENT IS PROVIDED BY THE U.S. PARTNER.

THE COMPANY WILL DEVELOP A SERIES OF ADVANCED COMPUTERS AND OTHER TELECOMMUNICATION PRODUCTS, INCLUDING NEW TYPES OF COMPUTER SYSTEMS, DIGITAL METERS, SATELLITE-TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, AND PORTABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT. IT WILL ALSO PROVIDE ITS CUSTOMERS, BOTH IN AND OUTSIDE CHINA, WITH HIGH-LEVEL TECHNICAL PRODUCTS AND ENGINEERING SERVICES.

THE COMPANY WILL ESTABLISH CO-OPERATIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN SCIENCE, EDUCATION, ENTERPRISES, COMMERCE AND TRADE. IN ADDITION IT WILL CO-OPERATE WITH CHINESE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES, RESEARCH INSTITUTES, INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES AND GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTES TO DEVELOP INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND PRODUCTS.

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#90302h0118 10/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (OCT. 29) XINHUA - THE SHANGHAI WATCH FACTORY -- THE LARGEST OF ITS KIND IN CHINA -- PRODUCED ITS ONE HUNDRED MILLIONTH WATCH TODAY.

THE PLANT, WHICH IS LOCATED IN CHINA'S LARGEST INDUSTRIAL CENTER, BEGAN OPERATION IN THE 1950S AND NOW HAS AN ANNUAL PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF SEVEN MILLION WATCHES.

THE PLANT HAS PAID THE STATE A TOTAL OF FIVE BILLION YUAN IN PROFITS AND HAS EXPORTED GOODS VALUED AT OVER 50 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS SINCE IT BEGAN OPERATION 22 YEARS AGO.

STATISTICS SHOW THAT THE AVERAGE PER-WORKER PAYMENT OF PROFIT AND TAX TO THE STATE HAS REACHED MORE THAN ONE MILLION YUAN.

SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THIS YEAR THE PLANT HAS MADE GREAT EFFORTS TO ADJUST ITS PRODUCT STRUCTURE AND DEVELOP NEW PRODUCTS.

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#90302h0119 10/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (OCT. 29) XINHUA - ALL BOTSWANAN GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES WILL GET A MINIMUM PAY RISE OF 12 PERCENT FROM NEXT MONTH WITH SENIOR CIVIL SERVANTS GETTING AS HIGH AS A 82 PERCENT RISE, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT ISSUED HERE TODAY.

THE INCREASES FOLLOW A PARLIAMENT DEBATE LAST MONTH ON THE GOVERNMENT'S REVISED NATIONAL POLICY ON INCOMES, PRICES AND PROFITS.

CONFIRMING THE INCREASES, MINISTER OF PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION MOMPATI MERAFHE SAID THAT HE IS AWARE THAT THE INCREASES WOULD BE INFLATIONARY.

"WE ARE WORRIED ABOUT THE INFLATIONARY EFFECTS," HE SAID. "HOWEVER, THIS PROBLEM OF DECOMPRESSION AND OVERLAPPING SCALES HAS BEEN DEBATED OVER A NUMBER OF YEARS AND WE HAD TO DO SOME- THING URGENTLY."

IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE PRICES IN THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN COUNTRY WILL GO UP.

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#90302h0124 10/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 29) XINHUA - BRITISH PRIME MINISTER MARGARET THATCHER'S CONSERVATIVE GOVERNMENT HAS PROPOSED A NEW AGENCY TO HUNT RUNAWAY FATHERS WHO FAIL TO PROVIDE FOR THEIR CHILDREN.

A GOVERNMENT WHITE PAPER, RELEASED HERE TODAY, SET OUT DETAILS OF A CHILD SUPPORT AGENCY TO BE SET UP TO IDENTIFY AND TRACE ABSENT FATHERS.

THE AIM IS TO REMOVE MAINTENANCE BATTLERS FROM THE COURTS AND SETTLE THE SCALE OF PAYMENTS QUICKLY, IT SAID.

"GOVERNMENT CANNOT ENSURE THAT FAMILIES STAY TOGETHER," THE DOCUMENT SAID. "BUT WE CAN AND SHOULD ENSURE THE PROPER FINANCIAL PROVISION FOR CHILDREN IS MADE BY THEIR PARENTS WHENEVER IT CAN REASONABLY BE EXPECTED."

IT ADDED THAT THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF MAINTENANCE PAYMENTS ORDERED BY COURTS TO SUPPORT CHILDREN WAS "UNNECESSARILY FRAGMENTED, UNCERTAIN IN ITS RESULTS, SLOW AND INEFFECTIVE."

MRS. THATCHER HAS TOLD THE HOUSE OF COMMONS THAT SHE IS DETERMINED TO ENSURE THAT ABSENT FATHERS FULFIL THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES.

THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS ARE SEEN HERE AS A MOVE TO ESTABLISH THE RULING CONSERVATIVES AS THE PARTY OF THE FAMILY TO WIN THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION DUE TO BE HELD IN 1992.

IN BRITAIN, ONE IN THREE MARRIAGES NOW ENDS IN DIVORCE AND SEVEN IN 10 ABSENT FATHERS FAIL TO MAKE REGULAR MAINTENANCE PAYMENTS FOR THEIR CHILDREN.

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#90302k0022 10/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 29) KYODO - GOVERNMENTAL JAPAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (JDB)WILL LOWER ITS BASE LENDING RATE BY 0.6 PERCENTAGE POINT TO 8.3 PERCENT FROM THURSDAY, OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

OTHER GOVERNMENT-RUN FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, HOKKAIDO-TOHOKU DEVELOPMENT CORP. NATIONAL FINANCE CORP., AND SMALL BUSINESS FINANCE CORP., WILL FOLLOW SUIT, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE DECISION WAS MADE AFTER THE NATION'S LONG-TERM CREDIT BANKS ANNOUNCED A 0.6 PERCENTAGE POINT CUT IN THEIR LONG-TERM PRIME RATE AT WHICH THEY LOAN FUNDS TO THEIR MOST CREDITWORTHY CUSTOMERS TO 8.3 PERCENT, ALSO EFFECTIVE THURSDAY.

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#90302k0025 10/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SINGAPORE (OCT. 29) KYODO - SONY CORP. ON MONDAY MARKED THE GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY FOR ITS FIRST PLANT IN ASIA TO MANUFACTURE PICTURE TUBES FOR ITS TRINITRON COLOR TELEVISION SETS.

SPEAKING AT THE SITE LOCATED IN SINGAPORE'S WESTERNMOST INDUSTRIAL ZONE, AKIO MORITA, CHAIRMAN OF SONY CORP., SAID THE FACTORY WILL PRODUCE CATHODE RAY TUBES FOR EXPORT MAINLY TO SONY PLANTS IN THE REGION.

OFFICIALS SAID SOME WILL ALSO BE EXPORTED TO JAPAN AND EUROPE. MORITA SAID THE FACTORY, CALLED SONY DISPLAY DEVICE (SINGAPORE), IS SONY'S THIRD OUTSIDE JAPAN. SONY ALREADY HAS ONE SUCH PLANT IN SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, IN THE UNITED STATES AND ANOTHER IN BRITAIN FOR THE EUROPEAN MARKET.

SONY IS INVESTING 350 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS (206 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN THE FIRST TWO YEARS OF PRODUCTION FOR THE FIRST PHASE OF THE PROJECT.

PRODUCTION WILL START THREE MONTHS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE IN DECEMBER NEXT YEAR WITH AN INITIAL STAFF OF 300. OUTPUT IN THE FIRST YEAR WILL BE ABOUT ONE MILLION TUBES.

SONY IS AIMING AT AN ANNUAL SALES TURNOVER OF 300 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS BY 1993, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

SONY ALREADY HAS FIVE COMPANIES IN SINGAPORE, INCLUDING ONE FACTORY FOR THE MANUFACTURING OF PRECISION COMPONENTS.

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#90302k0026 10/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 29) KYODO - TOPY INDUSTRIES LTD., JAPAN'S MAJOR HUBCAP MAKER, SAID MONDAY IT WILL SET UP A JOINT VENTURE IN TOKYO WITH SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTERNATIONAL INC., CALIFORNIA, TO SELL HUBCAPS PRODUCED BY THE AMERICAN FIRM IN JAPAN.

BOTH SIDES WILL SHARE EQUALLY THE TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT OF 10 MILLION YEN. THE NEW FIRM NAMED TOPY SUPERIOR LTD. WILL OFFICIALLY COME INTO EXISTENCE ON NOVEMBER 10.

ACCORDING TO TOPY OFFICIALS, THEIR PARTNER IN THE VENTURE IS CURRENTLY THE WORLD'S TOP MAKER OF INTEGRALLY MOLDED ALUMINUM HUBCAPS FOR VEHICLES, BUT SUPPLIED ONLY 5,000-6,000 UNITS MONTHLY TO MAZDA MOTOR CORP. SINCE LAST YEAR.

AMID GROWING DEMAND FOR LIGHT WEIGHT VEHICLES IN JAPAN, THE TWO COMPANIES DECIDED TO BOOST SALES OF THE AMERICAN MADE HUBCAPS HERE TO A 40,000 TO 50,000 UNITS MONTHLY WITHIN FIVE YEARS FROM NOW.

THEY ALSO PLAN TO EXPAND THE NEW FIRM'S SALES NETWORK TO JAPANESE MAKERS OPERATING IN THE UNITED STATES.

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#90302k0053 10/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 29) KYODO - BANK OF JAPAN (BOJ) YASUSHI MIENO WILL VISIT THE CENTRAL JAPANESE CITY OF NAGOYA ON NOVEMBER 26 FOR TALKS WITH LOCAL BUSINESS LEADERS, OFFICIALS SAID MODAY.

MIENO IS EXPECTED TO DISCUSS THE EFFECTS OF THE LATEST OFFICIAL DISCOUNT RATE HIKE ON THE LOCAL ECONOMY.

THE BOJ RAISED ITS KEY DISCOUNT RATE BY 0.75 PERCENT TO 6.00 PERCENT PER ANNUM ON AUGUST 30, THE FIFTH SINCE LATE MAY, TO CAP FEARS OF INFLATION STEMMING FROM HIGHER OIL PRICES.

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#90302k0057 10/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 29) KYODO - THAILAND AND VIETNAM AGREED MONDAY TO STEP UP BILATERAL RELATIONS SOURED BY THE WAR IN CAMBODIA, A THAI SPOKESMAN SAID.

VIETNAMESE FOREIGN MINISTER NGUYEN CO THACH MADE THE PROPOSAL TO EXPAND BILATERAL TIES IN A MEETING THE SAME DAY WITH THAI PRIME MINISTER CHATICHAI CHOONHAVAN, WHO AGREED TO THE PROPOSAL IN PRINCIPLE, CHATICHAI'S SPOKESMAN SAID.

THACH TOLD REPORTERS AFTER THE MEETING THAT HE HAD REITERATED VIETNAM'S INVITATION TO CHATICHAI TO VISIT VIETNAM, WHILE CHATICHAI EXTENDED AN INVITATION FOR VIETNAMESE PRIME MINISTER DO MUOI TO VISIT HERE.

THACH ALSO MET SEPARATELY WITH THAI FOREIGN MINISTER SUBIN PINKHAYAN AND INVITED THE NEW FOREIGN MINISTER TO VISIT VIETNAM AT HIS EARLIEST CONVENIENCE. SUBIN SUCCEEDED SIDDHI SAVETSILA AS FOREIGN MINISTER IN AUGUST.

THE TWO FOREIGN MINISTERS SPENT MORE THAN 60 MINUTES IN DISCUSSION AND APPEARED TOGETHER SMILING AFTER THE TALK.

SUBIN TOLD THE PRESS AFTER THEIR TALK THAT THERE WOULD BE A MEETING SOON BETWEEN OFFICIALS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES TO CONFER ABOUT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL LEVEL ECONOMIC JOINT COMMISSION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

SUBIN ALSO SAID THEY AGREED TO REACTIVATE A UNITED NATIONS SPONSORED PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE LOWER MEKONG RIVER BASIN, PARALYZED FOR DECADES BY THE POLITICAL OBSTACLES OF THE FOUR MEMBER NATIONS, THAILAND, LAOS, CAMBODIA, AND VIETNAM.

ON THE CURRENT STATE OF THE CAMBODIAN PROBLEM, THAI AND VIETNAMESE FOREIGN MINISTERS AGREED THAT BOTH COUNTRIES WOULD ABIDE BY A U.N.-LED PROCESS FOR A COMPREHENSIVE PEACE SETTLEMENT, ACCORDING TO SUBIN.

INDONESIA AND FRANCE, AS THE CO-CHAIRMEN OF THE PARIS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CAMBODIA, WOULD ASSUME THE KEY ROLE IN KEEPING UP THE MOMENTUM TOWARDS

PEACE, SUBIN SAID.

THACH, MEANWHILE, SAID VIETNAM HAD DONE ITS PART TO CONTRIBUTE TO CAMBODIAN PEACE AND HELD CHINA RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CURRENT STALEMATE IN THE PEACE PROCESS.

HE REITERATED THAT CHINA HAD RECENTLY SUPPLIED 24 TANKS TO THE KHMER ROUGE, THE STRONGEST RESISTANCE FACTION, THUS ENCOURAGING THEM TO STEP UP MILITARY OPERATIONS IN CAMBODIA.

THACH SUGGESTED THAT ALL FOREIGN COUNTRIES STOP PRESSURING THE CAMBODIAN FACTIONS AND LET THEM SOLVE THEIR PROBLEMS THEMSELVES.

THACH IS HERE ON A THREE-DAY VISIT AT THE INVITATION OF THE THAI FOREIGN MINISTER. HE ARRIVED HERE FROM TOKYO ON SATURDAY NIGHT AND WILL LEAVE FOR HOME ON TUESDAY.

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#90302k0058 10/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 29) KYODO - THE HEAD OF SUMITOMO CONSTRUCTION CO. RESIGNED MONDAY IN ACCEPTING RESPONSIBILITY FOR A BRIBERY CASE INVOLVING FOUR OF ITS EMPLOYEES INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID,

THE COMPANY'S PRESIDENT, SHOZO KUSUMOTO, IS SUCCEEDED BY SHINSAKU SANMOTO, MANAGING DIRECTOR. TAKEYUKI SAITO HAS ALSO STEPPED DOWN AS CHAIRMAN, THE SOURCES SAID.

THE PERSONNEL RESHUFFLE CAME ON THE HEELS OF THE ARREST IN LATE SEPTEMBER OF THE FOUR OFFICIALS, INCLUDING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ICHIRO NASU, WHO ALLEDGEDLY BRIBED LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN KAWANISHI, HYOGO PREFECTURE, IN EXCHANGE FOR BEING AWARDED A ROAD CONSTRUCTION DEAL.

THE BRIBERY CASE IS THE SECOND SCANDAL INVOLVING THE SUMITOMO GROUP, FOLLOWING A FRAUDULENT LOAN CASE WITH SUMITOMO BANK EARLY THIS MONTH.

SANMOTO, 56, A GRADUATE FROM KYOTO UNIVERSITY, JOINED THE COMPANY IN 1957. HE HAS BEEN SERVING AS MANAGING DIRECTOR SINCE JUNE.

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#90302k0060 10/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 29) KYODO - THE GOVERNMENT DECIDED MONDAY ON A NEW PACKAGE OF ENERGY-SAVING MEASURES FOR THE COMING WINTER SEASON WHICH INCLUDES HEATING ROOMS AT MODERATE TEMPERATURES AND SHORTER BUSINESS HOURS, OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) SAID.

THE PACKAGE, WHICH ALSO PROPOSES THAT TELEVISION BROADCASTERS REDUCE THEIR

OPERATING SCHEDULES, IS A WINTER VERSION OF PROPOSALS MITI ADOPTED IN AUGUST FOR THE SUMMER IN RESPONSE TO THE GULF CRISIS. THE SUMMER VERSION, HOWEVER, DID NOT INCLUDE A SHORTENING OF BUSINESS HOURS.

MITI OFFICIALS STRESSED THAT ITS PROPOSALS ARE NOT AT THE LEVEL OF ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDANCE BUT ARE MERELY PART OF THE GOVERNMENT'S EFFORTS TO RAISE THE PUBLIC'S AWARENESS REGARDING THE IMPORTANCE OF SAVING ENERGY.

"WE JUST HOPE TO STIMULATE THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO CONSIDER PREPARING FOR AN ENERGY EMERGENCY IF ANY CHANGE IN CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD REQUIRE MORE DRASTIC MEASURES," AN OFFICIAL SAID.

THE NEW STEPS INCLUDE REQUESTS THAT BOTH THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS RESTRICT HEATING TO 20 C, SLASH LIGHTING BY ONE-THIRD, AND GENERALLY IMPROVE ENERGY MANAGEMENT FOR BUILDINGS AND INDUSTRIES.

THE GOVERNMENT ALSO DECIDED TO CALL FOR SHORTER TV BROADCASTING HOURS, AND CUTTING LIGHTING FOR ADVERTISEMENTS AND DECORATION. IT ALSO WILL URGE BUSINESSES OPERATING LATE AT NIGHT TO CLOSE EARLIER.

AMONG HOUSEHOLD MEASURES PROPOSED BY THE GOVERNMENT ARE RESTRICTING HEATING TO 20 C AND VOLUNTARY LIMITS ON LEISURE DRIVING.

IF ALL THE MEASURES ARE FOLLOWED, JAPAN'S ENERGY CONSUMPTION COULD BE CUT BY AT LEAST 14 DAYS WORTH OF CRUDE OIL CONSUMPTION, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

MITI'S REQUEST FOR 28-DEGREE AIR CONDITIONING DURING THE SUMMER WAS ADOPTED BY ABOUT 90 PERCENT OF GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS AND 70 PERCENT OF INDUSTRIES, ACCORDING TO A MITI SURVEY.

BUT COMPLIANCE IN COMMERCIAL OFFICES AND SMALL BUSINESSES SUCH AS RESTAURANTS WAS MUCH LOWER, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90302k0061 10/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 29) KYODO - PRIME MINISTER MAHATHIR MOHAMAD ACCUSED THE UNITED STATES OF "ECONOMIC ARM-TWISTING" IN RESPONSE TO A MOVE BY THE U.S. CONGRESS TO WITHDRAW ITS 1 MILLION DOLLAR MILITARY TRAINING GRANT TO MALAYSIA, LOCAL NEWSPAPERS SAID MONDAY.

THE U.S. CONGRESS ON THURSDAY PASSED AN AMENDMENT TO THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT WHICH SEEKS TO WITHDRAW THE GRANT FROM MALAYSIA FOR "REFUSING ASYLUM TO REFUGEES FLEEING VIETNAM."

"THIS GOES TO SHOW THAT THEY (UNITED STATES) NEVER HESITATE TO RESORT TO ECONOMIC ARM-TWISTING TACTICS WHEN DEALING WITH SMALLER NATIONS. FOR THEM, MIGHT IS RIGHT," MAHATHIR SAID.

MAHATHIR SAID THE U.S. ALSO REFUSED ASYLUM TO REFUGEES FROM HAITI AND MEXICO "BUT THIS DOES NOT SEEM UNJUSTIFIED TO THEM."

"BUT WHAT CAN WE DO. THEY ARE STRONG AND WE ARE WEAK," HE SAID. MALAYSIA HAS TURNED AWAY MANY VIETNAMESE BOAT-PEOPLE FROM ITS SHORES, SAYING THAT NO END APPEARS IN SIGHT TO THE 15-YEAR INFLUX.

THE GOVERNMENT ALSO CLAIMS THE VIETNAMESE ARE NOT GENUINE REFUGEES BUT ECONOMIC MIGRANTS AND THAT SETTLEMENT COUNTRIES ARE NOT DOING ENOUGH TO ACCEPT THE BOAT-PEOPLE FROM FIRST ASYLUM COUNTRIES.

THE TURNING AWAY OF REFUGEES ALSO PROMPTED SOME LEGISLATORS FROM CALIFORNIA EARLY THIS YEAR TO THREATEN A TRADE BOYCOTT OF MALAYSIAN GOODS.

U.S. PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH IS EXPECTED TO SIGN THE LEGISLATION SOON, BOTH AMERICAN AND MALAYSIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCES SAID MONDAY.

AN OFFICIAL WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY SAID THAT THE AMENDMENT IS A SMALL PART OF THE OVERALL LEGISLATION AND THAT BUSH IS UNLIKELY TO VETO THE ENTIRE BILL.

"EVEN IF HE (PRESIDENT BUSH) DOES NOT LIKE IT, HE CANNOT SEND IT BACK TO THE CONGRESS SOON AS IT IS ADJOURNED FOR ELECTIONS," HE ADDED.

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#90302k0068 10/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 29) KYODO - MALAYSIA'S REAL GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP) GREW BY 9.2 PERCENT IN THE YEAR'S SECOND QUARTER, UP FROM 7.6 PERCENT IN THE SECOND QUARTER OF 1989, BUT DOWN FROM THE FIRST QUARTER'S 11.3 PERCENT GROWTH, THE CENTRAL BANK ANNOUNCED IN ITS QUARTERLY BULLETIN MONDAY.

THE ECONOMIC GROWTH RATE FOR THE FIRST HALF OF THE YEAR IS ABOUT 10.3 PERCENT, AND WITH THE RECENT RISE IN OIL PRICES, ECONOMISTS WIDELY EXPECT MORE THAN 10 PERCENT GROWTH FOR THE WHOLE OF THIS YEAR, ABOVE THE 8.5 PERCENT RECORDED LAST YEAR.

ACCORDING TO THE BULLETIN, THE MAIN ENGINES OF GROWTH IN THE SECOND QUARTER CONTINUED TO BE MANUFACTURING AND CONSTRUCTION, BUT STRONG DOMESTIC DEMAND SLIGHTLY RAISED CONSUMER INFLATION.

THE BANK AND ECONOMISTS HAD FORECAST A 1990 GROWTH RATE OF 8.5 PERCENT EARLIER THIS YEAR.

BUT IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT AND THE SUBSEQUENT RISE IN OIL PRICES HAVE INCREASED THIS OIL-PRODUCING NATION'S EARNINGS RECENTLY.

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#90302k0069 10/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
OSAKA (OCT. 29) KYODO - SUMITOMO ELECTRICAL INDUSTRIES LTD. SAID MONDAY IT SIGNED A CONTRACT WITH AN INDONESIAN CONGLOMERATE TO FORM A JOINT VENTURE TO MANUFACTURE MATERIALS USED FOR CIVIL ENGINEERING PROJECTS.

THE VENTURE WILL MANUFACTURE PC STRAND USED TO REINFORCED CONCRETE IN CONSTRUCTION WORKS, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

SUMITOMO ELECTRICAL, JAPAN'S LARGEST MAKER OF ELECTRICAL WIRES AND CABLES, WILL SET UP THE VENTURE WITH THE INDONESIAN INDUSTRIAL GIANT, THE SALIM GROUP, AND SUMITOMO CORP., A LEADING TRADING FIRM.

SUMITOMO ELECTRICAL WILL ACQUIRE A 45 PERCENT STAKE IN THE VENTURE, P.T. SUMIDEN SERASI WIRE PRODUCTS, CAPITALIZED AT 4 MILLION DOLLARS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

SALIM WILL OWN A 35 PERCENT STAKE, WHILE SUMITOMO CORP. WILL PROVIDE THE REMAINING 20 PERCENT.

THE VENTURE, HEADED BY AN OFFICIAL FROM SUMITOMO ELECTRICAL, WILL HAVE 80 WORKERS ON ITS PAYROLL.

THE SITE FOR THE MAIN OFFICE AND PLANT WILL BE LOCATED NEAR JAKARTA. THE FACTORY IS SET TO BEGIN OPERATION IN THE SPRING OF 1992.

THE VENTURE IS PROJECTED TO TURN OUT 10,000 TONS OF PC STRAND A YEAR ON A FULL-SCALE PRODUCTION AND HAVE SALES REACHING 10 MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR BY FISCAL 1994.

SUMITOMO ELECTRICAL HAS BEEN EXPORTING 5,000 TONS OF PC STRAND ANNUALLY TO INDONESIA, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

SUMITOMO DECIDED TO SET UP LOCAL PRODUCTION TO MEET EXPECTATIONS OF HEIGHTENED DEMAND.

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#90302k0071 10/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
MANILA (OCT. 29) KYODO - TWO SUBSIDIARIES OF JAPAN'S MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO. IN THE PHILIPPINES MERGED MONDAY IN HOPES OF STRENGTHENING MANAGEMENT AND ITS PARTICIPATION IN THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

PRECISION ELECTRONICS CORP. (PEC), WHICH MANUFACTURES CONSUMER DURABLES, JOINED WITH NATIONAL PANASONIC PHILIPPINES, INC., FORMERLY ITS SALES ARM, A COMPANY STATEMENT SAID.

PEC, WHICH WAS ESTABLISHED IN SEPTEMBER 1967, WILL BE RETAINED AS THE NEW

COMPANY'S NAME.

THE FIRM, 80 PERCENT OF WHICH IS OWNED BY MATSUSHITA, PRODUCES TELEVISION SETS WASHING MACHINES, REFRIGERATORS, AIR CONDITIONERS AND OTHER HOME APPLIANCES. IT ALSO MANUFACTURES COMMUNICATION, ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS, AND DRY BATTERIES.

THE COMPANY EXPECTS SALES THIS YEAR TO REACH 2.893 BILLION PESOS (112,000 U.S. DOLLARS). FORTY-FIVE PERCENT OF PEC'S PRODUCTION IS GEARED FOR THE EXPORT MARKET.

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#90302k0080 10/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 29) KYODO - THE HONG KONG-BASED YAOHAN INTERNATIONAL OF JAPAN HAS REACHED AN AGREEMENT WITH BEIJING CITY'S LARGEST BUSINESS GROUP TO SET UP A A HONG KONG BRANCH OF A BEIJING RESTAURANT BY NEXT YEAR, A YAOHAN SPOKESMAN SAID MONDAY.

YAOHAN IS A DISTRIBUTION GROUP WHICH HAS MOVED ITS BASE FROM JAPAN TO HONG KONG IN THE HOPE OF GLOBALIZING ITS BUSINESS.

IT WILL SET UP DONLAISHUN, A RESTAURANT SPECIALIZING IN "SHABU-SHABU" MADE FROM LAMB, COMPANY SPOKESMAN KAZUO WADA SAID AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE.

THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FINANCING WAS NOT DISCLOSED, BUT YAOHAN IS EXPECTED TO PUT UP 80 PERCENT OF THE CAPITAL WITH THE DONG AN GROUP PROVIDING THE REMAINING 20 PERCENT.

THE CHINESE GROUP WILL ESTABLISH A PASTURE THAT WILL RAISE 150,000 HEAD OF SHEEP IN INNER MONGOLIA.

YAOHAN IS CONSIDERING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SECOND RESTAURANT IN SAPPORO, NORTHERN JAPAN, IN 1993.

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TOKYO (OCT. 29) KYODO - MITSUI PETROCHEMICAL INDUSTRIES LTD. AND MITSUI AND CO. WILL SET UP A JOINT VENTURE IN INDONESIA WITH TWO LOCAL FIRMS TO PRODUCE PURIFIED TEREPHTHALIC ACID (PTA) MATERIAL FOR POLYESTER FIBER, THE TWO JAPANESE FIRMS ANNOUNCED MONDAY.

THE JOINT COMPANY, PTA INDONESIA, WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 50 MILLION DOLLARS, OF WHICH 50 PERCENT WILL BE PROVIDED BY MITSUI PETROCHEMICAL, 20 PERCENT BY MITSUI AND CO., A JAPANESE TRADING GIANT, 20 PERCENT BY THE INDONESIAN STATE-OWNED PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS MINING ENTERPRISE, PERTAMINA, AND 10 PERCENT BY PERTAMINA'S SALES ARM, HUMPUSS.

THE NEW FIRM WILL START BUILDING A PTA PLANT IN ACEH, NORTHERN SUMATRA, NEXT YEAR. THE PLANT WILL HAVE AN ANNUAL PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 250,000 TONS, AND WILL GO INTO OPERATION LATE IN 1993.

PTA INDONESIA WILL START CONSTRUCTION WORK ON ANOTHER PLANT WITH THE SAME CAPACITY AT ABOUT THE TIME THE FIRST PLANT STARTS OPERATION, THE JAPANESE FIRMS SAID.

OF THE FIRST PLANT'S OUTPUT, 100,000 TONS WILL BE SUPPLIED EACH YEAR TO INDONESIAN USERS, AND 150,000 TONS TO OTHER COUNTRIES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THEY EXPECT ABOUT 25 BILLION YEN IN SALES IN THE FIRST YEAR.

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TOKYO (OCT. 29) KYODO - IRELAND'S MINISTER FOR INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE DESMOND J. O'MALLEY AND A SENIOR MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) OFFICIAL HAVE AGREED TO COOPERATE IN THE EXPANSION OF TRADE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, MITI SOURCES SAID MONDAY.

O'MALLEY AND FUKUSHIRO NUKAGA, MITI'S PARLIAMENTARY VICE MINISTER, AGREED THAT BOTH COUNTRIES SHOULD EXCHANGE INFORMATION REGARDING TRADE, CONDUCT MARKET SURVEYS, AND SPONSOR TRADE PROMOTION EVENTS, THEY SAID.

THEY ALSO AGREED THE TWO COUNTRIES SHOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SERVICES OFFERED BY THE JAPAN EXTERNAL TRADE ORGANIZATION (JETRO), A SEMI GOVERNMENTAL TRADE PROMOTION AGENCY, AND ITS IRISH COUNTERPART TO STEP UP TRADE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

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#90302m0001 10/29/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 29) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

The Nikkei is up 324 points, but the FTSE is off fractionally at midday. ... U.S. stocks overseas are higher this morning - the EXMI is up about one point. Treasury is down to 8.74%. ... The dollar is slightly lower. ... Brent crude is up $1.90 this morning to $33.90. ... CONGRESS finally wrapped up work on a deficit reduction package Saturday night and PRESIDENT BUSH says he will sign it. ... Machine tool orders dropped 4.6% from August to September. ... AETNA LIFE & CASUALTY has announced a restructuring plan that will include cutting about 5.8% of its workforce in a cost- cutting move.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

MERRILL LYNCH is expected to announce a sweeping reorganization as soon as today, reports "The New York Times" this morning. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT issues its initial third-quarter gross national product figure on Tuesday, as well as single-family home sales for September. ... On Wednesday, COMMERCE issues personal income and manufacturers' shipments, the FEDERAL RESERVE puts out its beige book of economic conditions and the AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT releases the farm price index for October. ... On Thursday, the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PURCHASING MANAGEMENT issues its purchasing managers' index for October and COMMERCE reports on construction spending for September. On Friday, the LABOR DEPARTMENT reports on September unemployment and COMMERCE issues leading economic indicators for September.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I think this is the time to get in for the long term," says JULIUS WESTHEIMER. "I tell people today there's a sale going on in Wall Street. There are some good values out there that are severely marked down. I'm not saying you have to go in and buy and spend all your money. But at least take a look." ("Wall Street Week", 10/26)

FROM THE BEARS:

"It looks like it's going to be more of the same bad news," says PETER VANDENBERG of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "The fact is, the 'R' word [recession] is on the tip of everyone's tongue. There'll be trading rallies, but many investors will sell on any spike upward." ("USA Today", 10/29)

FIONA BIGGS, manager of the $25 million DREYFUS STRATEGIC WORLD INVESTMENT fund, thinks the "U.S. market will continue to decline, reaching 2200 or lower" on the Dow. (NYT, 10/28)

MICHAEL KATZ, head of REYNARD ASSET MANAGEMENT, sees a Dow of 1200 to 1500 a year or so out. Recalling that investors continued to lose money from 1929 through 1932, he says: "It's a lesson to be learned. You can get killed chasing what looks cheap." ("USA Today", 10/29)

STOCK MARKET:

"I have to hang the blame [for the stock market decline last week] on the fact that the economy is not in very good shape," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist for "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "Even though the earnings numbers that came out for the third quarter were not bad, the market is foreseeing a further slowdown and recession in the economy and doesn't yet see the other side of the valley." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/26)

"The way the market rolled over Thursday and Friday, it took the edge off the recent rally," says ROBERT WIBBELSMAN of KAYNE ANDERSON & CO. "It gives me the

feeling it's going lower. I think what we're seeing is a buyers' strike. The previous rise was caused by aggressive short-covering by professional money managers. What I am seeing is a lot of investors who are getting spooked easily." ("Investor's Daily", 10/29)

"We are still not at stock prices that I would consider bargains," says ABBY JOSEPH COHEN at GOLDMAN SACHS. She says weak earnings would be fully factored into share prices about 10% to 12% below where they are now. That would have the Dow down to about 2200. (WSJ, 10/29)

"I am concerned about the long-term ... because of the banks ... but there are some bargains [in the stock market]," says RALPH ACAMPORA. "I see leadership. If you want to outperform the market, you should stay in stocks like foods, utilities, drugs. It's very, very selective here, but you can be in the market. ... People are talking bearish, but not acting bearish. I don't think this bear market is going to end until they capitulate in the big stocks." ("Wall Street Week", 10/26)

GENE SEAGLE of GRUNTAL & CO. thinks the market could be about ready to turn up. "We've had capitulation when you look at the bank stocks and the insurance stocks," he says. "We've had declines that have been going on for over a year, really, that have given us the equivalent of bear market completion." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/26)

"I think the stock market has priced itself for three- quarters of the worst thing that could happen [in the Middle East]," says JOHN MANLEY of SMITH BARNEY. "While we don't know when it will happen, at some point in time oil will probably be significantly lower than it is today. Our target is somewhere around the low 20s or high teens [per barrel]. ... I don't know when the market will bottom and I can't tell you at exactly what level it will bottom, but I remain positive that the market is going to do reasonably well over the next six to 18 months." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/26)

STOCK TIPS:

"LEE A. IACOCCA may be running out of tricks in his bid to keep CHRYSLER CORP. alive," begins a lengthy article on the woes of the automaker in the Sunday business section of "The Washington Post." The report says the Chrysler chief is caught between boasting of the company's $4.5 billion in cash reserves to investors and bemoaning the reserve's inadequacy to union leaders as contract talks opened this weekend. ("The Washington Post", 10/28)

"The New York Times" leads its Sunday business section with a look at FORD MOTOR CO., focusing on the company's European operations that long "have been the goose that lays the golden eggs." It goes on: "Now, a question being asked inside and outside Ford is whether the goose is ailing and whether potential problems at Ford could cripple it." (NYT, 10/28)

"The Wall Street Journal" reports this morning that "GENERAL MOTORS may be about to bite a billion-dollar bullet." The paper says GM will formally close four assembly plants already classified as "idled" and may close seven plants in all, taking a write-off of "up to several billion dollars." The company has summoned analysts to a meeting in New York Wednesday morning, the day it announces third-quarter earnings. (WSJ, 10/29)

"We [the Big Three U.S. automakers] shipped a lot of crap in the early '80s and it came home to roost," says CHRYSLER CHAIRMAN LEE IACOCCA. ("Investor's Daily", 10/29)

DAVID ROCKER of ROCKER PARTNERS has made a reputation as an expert in shorting stocks, but he also has favorites he expects to appreciate. His No. 1 "long" is NASHUA CORP., followed by DATASCOPE, BJ SERVICES and INTERNATIONAL MULTIFOODS. On the "short" side, he is betting that SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS, FASTENAL, MEDICINE SHOPPES and RATNERS, a British stock, all will decline. ("Barron's", 10/29)

"The potential for superior returns for the telephone industry for the rest of the year is very good," says JIM KREKELER at EDWARD D. JONES & CO. in Maryland Heights, Mo. ANTHONY CLARK of WHEAT FIRST BUTCHER & SINGER CAPITAL MARKETS in Richmond, Va., compares the telephone utilities to a franchise in which "revenues are generated in perpetuity." THEODORE MOREAU of ROBERT W. BAIRD estimates telephone companies will offer total returns in the 15% to 20% range over the next 12 months and that, over the long term, they will achieve much higher growth rates than other kinds of utilities. ("Investor's Daily", 10/29)

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#90302p0486 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KAN. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Midwest, Inc. (NASDAQ: AMWI) announced today that it has agreed to transfer and sell certain aircraft and assets of its Trans World Express operations based in St. Louis, to Trans States Airlines, Inc. another Trans World Express operator in St. Louis.

The agreement covers the transfer of eight EMB120 aircraft, 15 J32 aircraft, spare parts, certain facilities, leases and associated obligations, utilized by the company in its Trans World Express operations. Plans call for completion of the sale and for Trans States to commence operation of the former Air Midwest system no later than March 31, 1991.

The total purchase price, subject to certain adjustments, will be slightly more than $16,000,000 including assumption by Trans States of approximately $7,400,000 in long-term debt obligations of Air Midwest. Net book gain after adjustments will be slightly above $8,000,000. Proceeds from the sale will be used for increased working capital. Completion of the transaction remains subject to final approval of TWA, applicable regulatory agencies and affected lessors.

Air Midwest has operated as Trans World Express in St. Louis under a service agreement with Trans World Airlines since October 1986. Prior to that, it operated as Ozark Midwest pursuant to a similar agreement with Ozark Airlines, which was acquired by TWA in 1986.

Air Midwest recently signed an agreement with USAir, whereby the company's Kansas City-based operations, will become identified as USAir Express beginning Jan. 15, 1991. The USAir Express operation will serve 17 cities in the Midwest. This operation will continue after the sale with the company's remaining Fairchild Metroliner aircraft.

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#90302p0490 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOPEKA, KAN. (OCT. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) and The Kansas Power and Light Company (NYSE: KAN) today announced that they have executed a definitive merger agreement unanimously approved by the boards of directors of both companies. Upon completion of the merger, Kansas Gas and Electric will become a wholly owned subsidiary of The Kansas Power and Light Company.

Under terms of the merger agreement, each share of Kansas Gas and Electric common stock will be converted to a total of $32.00 in the form of cash and/or The Kansas Power and Light Company common stock pursuant to a cash election merger.

The total amount of cash to be paid in the merger will not exceed $434 million. In addition, the maximum number of shares issued will be approximately 28 million pursuant to a conversion ratio based on The Kansas Power and Light Company stock prices between $20.00 and $23.75, to be determined at the time of the transaction.

In addition, Kansas Gas and Electric's preferred shares will be converted into $110.00 in cash for each share of 4.5 percent preferred stock; $101.00 in cash for each share of 4.28 percent series preferred stock; and $101.64 in cash for each share of 4.32 percent series preferred stock.

The completion of the merger is subject, among other things, to obtaining all necessary governmental and regulatory approvals and consents for the merger (including the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the State Corporation Commission of Kansas, The Missouri Public Service Commission, the The Oklahoma Corporation Commission); approval of the merger by the shareholders of Kansas Gas and Electric; approval of an increase in authorized common shares by the shareholders of Kansas Power and Light.

The Kansas Power and Light Company, headquartered in Topeka, Kansas, conducts business in its service area as KPL Gas Service. It provides both natural gas and electric power service throughout much of Kansas and natural gas service to parts of western Missouri and northeastern Oklahoma. It has 1.06 million gas customers and 302,000 electric power customers. Gross revenues for 1989 were $1.1 billion and net income was $73 million. It employs 4,600 persons.

Kansas Gas and Electric Company, headquartered in Wichita, is an electric utility serving more than 250,000 customers in south central and southeast Kansas. Its 1989 gross revenues were $533.4 million with net income of $47.5 million. The utility has 1,330 employees.

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#90302p0494 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MICH. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Magic Line, Inc., Michigan's largest electronic funds transfer network, recently elected new officers to its board of directors. The announcement was made by Magic Line president and chief executive officer, James Outland.

The new officers are Ronald Hale, vice president of the Michigan Credit Union League, as chairman; Patrick McQueen, senior vice president of Manufacturers National Corporation, as vice chairman; David Distelrath, vice president of operations for First of America Corporation, as treasurer; and David Lind, senior vice president of Michigan National Corporation, as secretary.

Magic Line, headquartered in Dearborn, provides access to more than 2,900 automated teller machines throughout Michigan and is the only network in Michigan to offer on-line debit point of sale services.

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#90302p0505 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Officials from the State of Michigan, Grand Trunk Western Railroad and the City of Ferndale, Mich., today dedicated the nation's first multiple-user rail intermodal terminal, MoTerm, in Ferndale. The terminal opening caps a two-phase, $7.2 million expansion and modernization program begun one year ago, according to Grand Trunk Western President Gerald L. Maas.

Designed to handle domestic and import/export container and trailer traffic,

the Grand Trunk-owned MoTerm terminal is Detroit's largest, most active intermodal rail hub. It also is the country's first intermodal terminal to be used jointly by competing railroads. The other railroads with intermodal operations at MoTerm include: Canadian National Railway, Santa Fe Railroad, CSL Intermodal and the Burlington Northern Railway.

The terminal was officially dedicated by Jim Pitz, director, Michigan Department of Transportation; the Honorable Albert G. Gertley, mayor of Ferndale; and Maas in a ribbon-cutting ceremony that began at 11:15 a.m. today.

The opening of MoTerm comes just two weeks after Grand Trunk announced its plans to construct the Battle Creek Intermodal Gateway -- a five-acre intermodal terminal in Battle Creek, Mich., scheduled to be operating by Dec. 1, 1990.

MoTerm handled nearly 60,000 container and trailer movements in 1989. Thanks to the additional capacity now in place, the terminal is expected to handle more then 100,000 loads by 1991.

Grand Trunk built the MoTerm facility in 1977. In October 1989, it began a $7.2 million program to expand and modernize MoTerm. The expansion was needed if Grand Trunk was to efficiently handle the traffic generated by its partner railroads. Included in the expansion were two new unloading tracks, new gate facilities, additional office space, computer support, new container storage space and additional parking.

Grand Trunk Western Railroad is a Class I railroad operating 959 miles of road in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. GTW provides rail service to automotive, chemical, utility, steel, forest product, food product and other industries in its territory, and connects with other railroads to provide service to the entire North American continent. It is headquartered in Detroit.

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#90302p0506 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST CHESTER, PA. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Roy F. Weston Inc. (NASDAQ: WSTNA) (WESTON) today announced third quarter earnings of $479,000 or $.06 per share on net revenue of $45.7 million, compared with a loss of $2,846,000 or $.34 per share on net revenue of $38.8 million in the third quarter of 1989.

The company's net income in the third quarter was up $3,325,000 from the third quarter a year ago, when the company wrote-off a number of assets and uncollectable accounts and established reserves for organizational restructuring. On Sept. 14, 1990, the company announced that third quarter

1990 earnings would be lower than anticipated, primarily because of the delay in start-up of several projects which have subsequently begun, flat laboratory revenues and continued difficulties with the incineration project at Paxton Avenue in Chicago.

Net income for the first nine months was $1,759,000 or $.21 per share compared with a loss of $506,000 or $.06 per share for the comparable 1989 period. Net revenue for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 12.4 percent to $134.9 million from $120 million for the same period last year. Gross revenue increased 21 percent to $200.1 million for the nine-month period compared with $165.4 million for the same period last year.

WESTON is a recognized leader in the environmental engineering, design and consulting industry. As a full service environmental and health and safety firm, WESTON provides nationwide analytical laboratory services, consulting and engineering, remediation, facility construction and operations, technical information management and major program management services.

WESTON's clients include many Fortune 500 companies and most major cities in the country. The company is a principal provider of services to the U.S. Department of Defense and the U.S. Department of Energy.

WESTON is headquartered in West Chester, and operates a network of four analytical laboratories and 44 offices, including Los Angeles, Houston, Chicago, Atlanta, Boston, New York and Washington, D.C.

ROY F. WESTON INC.
Earnings Summary
(Thousands of dollars)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Gross revenue	$66,892	$55,219
Net revenue	45,686	38,805
Income (loss) from operations	1,229	(2,106)
Net income (loss)	479	(2,846)
Earnings (loss) per share	$.06	($.34)
Average shares outstanding	8,579,167	8,415,236
Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Gross revenue	$200,119	$165,363
Net revenue	134,911	120,024
Income from operations	4,246	2,971
Net income (loss)	1,759	(506)
Earnings (loss) per share	$.21	($.06)
Average shares outstanding	8,522,699	8,379,947

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#90302p0516 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLEASANTVILLE, NY (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Reader's Digest Association, Inc. (NYSE: RDA) today reported worldwide revenues of $524.1 million for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, an 18.6 percent increase over $442 million for the same period a year ago.

U.S. revenues increased 9.6 percent while international revenues rose 26.6 percent during the quarter. Higher foreign currency exchange rates contributed approximately $38 million to the growth of international revenues. Excluding this favorable effect, international revenues would have increased 10 percent.

Net income climbed 21.8 percent to $50.2 million from $41.2 million for the same three months last year.

Earnings per share were 42 cents, a 20 percent increase over 35 cents per share in 1989.

For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, worldwide revenues of $2.09 billion were up 12.8 percent over $1.85 billion for the comparable period a year ago. Net income of $185 million increased 21.3 percent over $152.5 million. Earnings per share were $1.55, a 20.2 percent increase over $1.29.

The company reported that for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 revenues for each of its three major business segments increased over last year:

-- Reader's Digest magazine -- Revenues of $156.7 million were up 9.5 percent over last year.

-- Books and Home Entertainment -- Revenues of $339 million increased 23.5 percent over last year.

-- Special Interest Magazines -- Revenues of $15.3 million were up 38.9 percent over last year. (First quarter fiscal 1991 included the results of American Health magazine, which was acquired in February 1990).

George Grune, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Our strategy of planning globally and acting locally continues to be the right one for Reader's Digest. We have local managers and editors producing local products in the local languages for customers around the world."

The Reader's Digest Association, Inc. is a global publisher of magazines, books and home entertainment products, and one of the world's leading direct mail marketers. World headquarters is in Pleasantville.

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#90302p0517 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - National Intergroup Inc. (NYSE: NII) announced today that as of 5 p.m., New York City time, on Friday, Oct. 26, 1990, an aggregate of 10,972,674 Cumulative Convertible Preference Units (including approximately 1,550,281 preference units tendered pursuant to notices of guaranteed delivery) representing limited partnership interests of Permian Partners, L.P. ("Permian") had been tendered pursuant to the tender offer (the "Offer") by NII, to purchase all of the publicly held preference units of Permian.

The tendered preference units represent approximately 69.7 percent of the total outstanding publicly held preference units of Permian.

NII also announced that as of 5 p.m., New York City time, on Friday, Oct. 26, 1990, the offer expired and was terminated and that the tendered preference units will be accepted by it for payment of $3.5625 in cash per preference unit plus one non-transferable contingent value right per preference unit.

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#90302p0521 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Comcast Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: CMCSA, CMCSK) today announced that it has entered into a definitive merger agreement with Cable Alabama Corp.

Following the merger, Comcast will operate the cable television system now operated by Cable Alabama in the cities of Huntsville and Madison, portions of the counties of Limestone and Madison, and Redstone Arsenal, Ala. Comcast presently operates a cable television system in the City of Huntsville. Consummation of the merger is conditioned on the receipt of local and federal regulatory approvals.

Comcast and Cable Alabama also have agreed to dismiss with prejudice litigation between them in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Alabama.

Comcast Corp. is principally engaged in the management, development and operation of cable communications systems. The company's consolidated and affiliated operations served more than 2.4 million subscribers at June 30, 1990. This included 784,000 subscribers associated with systems owned by Storer Communications Inc. for which Comcast provides consulting services. In addition, the company provides cellular communications and sound communications services. The Class A and Class A Special common stock of

Comcast Corp. are traded in the Over-the-Counter market and are reported in the National Market List under the NASDAQ symbols CMCSK and CMCSA, respectively.

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#90302p0522 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENBELT, MD. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Group 1 Software (NASDAQ-NMS: GSOF), a leading provider of marketing and mail management software, announced today it will enter into an agreement for worldwide marketing of its products by Xerox Corporation (NYSE: XRX).

The agreement will allow Xerox to market certain key Group 1 products as part of its comprehensive document production and handling systems.

The agreement will reflect an overall effort by both Group 1 and Xerox to assist the U.S. Postal Service to expand the use of automation techniques by major mailers.

Ron Friedman, president of Group 1 Software, stated: "By marketing Group 1 products, Xerox will be offering a total solution for the production of mail. The combination of Group 1 software with Xerox hardware is a powerful presentation to any organization interested in volume mailing."

Friedman continued: "We are pleased to have been chosen as Xerox's exclusive software partner. We look on the Group 1/Xerox alliance as yet another building block in Group 1's commitment to provide total solutions to marketers and mailers worldwide."

As part of its total solution approach, Xerox plans to offer Group 1's packages for ZIP+4 coding, POSTNET barcode printing, presort optimization and personalized document production in the first quarter of 1991. Group 1 will continue to market these products as well, and will continue to be responsible for all product enhancement, maintenance and support. Subsequently, Group 1 will develop additional software systems for use with Xerox printers.

To assist potential users of the Group 1/Xerox combination system, Group 1 and Xerox plan to work closely with the U.S. Postal Service as it implements its System Certification Program (SCP). This program was initiated by the U.S. Postal Service to certify entire mailing systems including both software and hardware. With SCP certification, mailers can speed up the entire mailing process and allow faster, easier acceptance of mail pieces at postal facilities.

Group 1 Software is the leading provider of mainframe, midrange and

microcomputer software to the marketing and mail management industry. Group 1 offers a broad range of list management, postal discount, mail personalization demographic and database marketing software products and professional services. The company has offices throughout the United States and Canada, and is represented by distribution partners in the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand.

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#90302p0524 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENBELT, MD. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Group 1 Software (NASDAQ-NMS: GSOF), the leading provider of marketing and mail management software, today announced the formation of a three-party strategic marketing alliance including International Customer Solutions (ICS) of La Jolla, Calif., and Information Management Associates (IMA) of Trumbull, Conn.

This new affiliation brings together a full spectrum of marketing software applications, from telemarketing and customer relations to direct mail management and order fulfillment. Together, the three companies will build bridges linking their individual software applications. The result will be the most comprehensive marketing solution available in the AS/400 marketplace.

International Customer Solutions provides software for use in the areas of order management and product distribution. The company developed the Order Management System (OMS) which is sold under the IBM logo. OMS is an on-line software product which runs on IBM AS/400 computers and provides a variety of order fulfillment functions including financial management, sales analysis, order entry and inventory and shipping control.

Information Management Associates is a cross-industry software firm specializing in telemarketing and other sales and marketing applications. IMA, an IBM Business Partner, markets the TELEMAR software system. TELEMAR is a telemarketing package which automates sales, market research and analysis lead tracking and customer services functions. TELEMAR also runs on-line on the IBM AS/400 computer platform.

Ron Friedman, president of Group I Software, stated: "This new three-party alliance is the latest of a series of Group 1 business associations supporting our commitment to provide total marketing solutions from one source. We believe the synergies among our three companies and our product lines result in more functional and comprehensive software tools for our marketing clients than have ever been available before."

Group 1 offers a broad range of list management, postal discount, mail personalization, demographic and database marketing software products and professional services. The software operates in mainframe, midrange and

microcomputer environments. Group 1 has offices throughout the United States and Canada, and is represented in the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand.

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#90302p0529 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, FL (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Opto Mechanik, Inc. (NASDAQ: OPTO) of Melbourne, Fla., a designer and manufacturer of optical and electro-optical systems for military applications, announces the receipt of a $7 million contract, with an $11 million option, from Hughes Electro-Optical Operations, Inc. In performance of this contract OMI will supply instrumentation for the Bradley Fighting Vehicle.

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#90302p0531 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Alias Research Inc. (NASDAQ: ADDF) today announced the signing of an agreement to purchase the product line of Full Color Computing Inc. of Ridgefield, Conn. The purchase price will be satisfied partly by the payment of US$750,000 in cash and partly by the issuance of 200,000 Alias common shares at current market value. The acquisition is expected to be completed Nov. 2, 1990, subject to certain conditions.

Alias President Stephen Bingham said, "Full Color(TM) products are the premier products on the market for full color page layout, image assembly, photo retouch and color separations. These are easy to use, highly sophisticated design and production tools. They are fast and effective, with an excellent price/performance ratio compared to competitive products. Users of Alias Designer(TM) and Alias Studio(TM) 3D design software are increasingly integrating Full Color products to meet their 2D print and package design needs."

The Full Color product line consists of Full Color Publisher, Full Color Separator, Full Color PrePress and various Full Color Device Interfaces. Alias will sell complete Full Color turnkey systems consisting of high powered graphics workstations from Silicon Graphics Inc. and/or IBM, plus a variety of peripherals and links to personal computer page layout systems such as Pagemaker(TM) and Quark(TM) on the Macintosh(TM). Full Color products will also be available as add-on workstations for existing prepress solutions from vendors such as Scitex, Crosfield and Hell. The Alias Full Color division will be based in Connecticut.

Alias counts leaders such as BMW, Honda, General Motors, Sony, Motorola and Timex among hundreds of design users. Alias is based in Toronto, with sales offices located across North America and Europe and distribution worldwide.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Applebee's International, Inc., (NASDAQ: APPB) today reported that it expects earnings for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 to be approximately 8 to 10 cents per share. The announcement coincides with the opening of the company's franchising convention this week. Final third quarter results will be released in about two weeks.

Total system sales were approximately $60.7 million in the third quarter, an increase of 58 percent from $38.4 million in the comparable period in 1989. This significant increase was primarily attributable to the larger number of Applebee's restaurants open during this year's third quarter. However, comparable restaurant sales figures also increased during the quarter to approximately $31.1 million, up 2.6 percent from $30.3 million in last year's third quarter. (Comparable restaurant sales figures compare sales for units in operation during the full third quarter of 1990 to the same units open in 1989.)

As of the beginning of the convention, there are 151 Applebee's restaurants open in 25 states. Of these, 126 are owned and operated by franchisees and 25 by the company. Applebee's has received state regulatory approval for franchising in all 50 states and currently has 11 new restaurants under constuction and 20 sites approved. The company pointed out that, while site approvals do not always result in new restaurant openings, the number of sites approved is a good indicator of new restaurant potential.

Applebee's national franchise convention runs through Saturday, Nov. 3. The convention brings all of the company's franchisees together both with company management and a large number of vendors and suppliers from all over the country.

Applebee's International, Inc., headquartered in Kansas City, Mo., develops, franchises and operates a rapidly expanding national chain of restaurants under the trademark Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar.

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DAYTON, OH (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - On Oct. 27, Mead Corporation (NYSE: MEA) board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common shares.

All dividends are payable Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 8, 1990. The transfer books will not be closed.

CONTACT: Sharon Williamson of The Mead Corporation, 513-495-3460

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MONTGOMERY, AL (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Blount Inc. (AMEX: BLT) today announced its Omark Material Handling Division has entered into a manufacturing and marketing alliance with Oy Norcar AB.

Norcar is a subsidiary of the Interpolator Oy group which is located in Helsinki, Finland. The company, founded during the 1960s, designs and produces advanced technology forest harvesting systems at its two locations in Vierema and Koivulahti, Finland. Today, its products are market leaders in Finland.

The alliance grants Omark exclusive rights to distribute and service Norcar products in the western hemisphere and gives Norcar similar rights for Omark products in Europe and the Soviet Union. Omark will also manufacture certain Norcar products as a result of the agreement.

"This alliance with Norcar is a key step in our strategy to expand Omark's product line and to position the division to be a strong multinational competitor," said R.W. Van Sant, Blount Inc. president and chief operating officer. "We are pleased to be associated with a company whose operating philosophies and attitudes toward fulfilling customer expectations with leading edge technologies are consistent with our beliefs. Other cooperative ventures between the companies are also being considered."

Blount Inc. is an international manufacturing and construction company headquartered in Montgomery. Its Omark Material Handling Division manufactures and markets Prentice(R) log loaders and Hydro-Ax(R) feller bunchers.

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SAGINAW, MICH. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Wolohan Lumber Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: WLHN) on Oct. 26, declared a fourth-quarter dividend of 7 cents per share. The dividend will be payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareowners of record Dec. 1, 1990.

The company previously announced third-quarter earnings of $3,955,000, or 61 cents per share, an increase of 6 percent from the same period of 1989, on 10-percent higher sales of $86.5 million and nine-month earnings of $9,061,000 or $1.40 per share, an increase of 5 percent over the same period of 1989, on 10-percent higher sales of $227.8 million.

Wolohan Lumber Co. operates 51 building material centers in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Missouri and Wisconsin.

Wolohan Lumber Company's common stock is traded over the counter and is quoted daily in The Wall Street Journal on the NASDAQ Over-the- Counter Market, National Market Issues. Its NASDAQ symbol is WLHN.

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#90302p0549 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
KING OF PRUSSIA, PA. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - International Mobile Machines Corp. (NASDAQ: IMMCC) announced today the signing of multimillion-dollar, multiyear, multiple contracts with Hughes Network Systems, a subsidiary of Hughes Aircraft Co., a unit of GM Hughes Electronics (NYSE: GMH) and Alcatel N.V., Europe's largest telecommunications corporation.

Two contracts cover the royalty bearing rights to use IMM's patents (Intellectual Property Rights, IPR) in the digital cellular and PCN programs for the U.S. Standard (AMPS-D) and European Standard (GSM) markets worldwide. A third contract covers digital cellular engineering and marketing services initially valued at $4.2 million over two years.

The patent licensing agreements are a major step in assuring a dominant position for IMM's digital cellular patents in the digital cellular marketplace of the future. The royalty bearing provisions of this agreement should provide IMM a continuous revenue stream for many years, as well as set the stage for other licensing agreements with major corporations in the United States and internationally.

Digital cellular is expected to be one of the most exciting business opportunities of the 1990s. Digital cellular equipment sales are projected

to be a multibillion-dollar market through the end of this decade in the United States alone.

This effort culminates two years of intensive engineering and marketing studies and establishes IMM with two major partnerships for IMM's future in the digital cellular and PCN markets.

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SOUTHFIELD, MICH. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Financial Corporation (CFC) today reported the best third-quarter and nine-month earnings in company history.

Third-quarter net earnings were $83 million, up 9 percent from the previous record of $76 million set in the third quarter of 1989. Nine-month net earnings were $257 million, 30 percent above the previous high of $198 million recorded a year ago.

Pre-tax earnings for the third quarter and first nine months were $126 million and $392 million, respectively. Both were new records for the respective periods.

At Sept. 30, 1990, gross receivables serviced were $39.8 billion, compared to $40.2 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. Total assets at the end of the third quarter were $24.4 billion, compared to $29.8 billion a year ago.

Chrysler Credit, CFC's automotive finance subsidiary, had gross receivables serviced of $26.3 billion at the end of the third quarter, compared to $27.2 billion in the prior year.

For the first nine months of 1990, Chrysler Credit financed or leased 371,373 new passenger cars and light duty trucks, representing 29 percent of Chrysler Motors U.S. retail deliveries. In the comparable period of 1989, Chrysler Credit financed or leased 442,061 vehicles or 28 percent of Chrysler Motors retail sales.

Chrysler First, the CFC operating company involved in direct consumer and small business lending and inventory financing of durable goods, had gross receivables serviced of $6.9 billion at the end of the third quarter, compared to $7.1 billion a year ago.

Chrysler Capital, the CFC company involved in commercial leasing and lending activities, had gross receivables serviced of $6.6 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $5.9 billion at Sept. 30, 1989.

Chrysler Insurance, CFC's provider of various insurance programs to automotive and durable goods dealers and their customers, had direct insurance premiums written of $107 million for the first nine months of 1990, compared to $105 million in the same period of 1989.

During the third quarter, CFC sold retail automotive and non- automotive receivables in five placements, resulting in net proceeds of $2.5 billion, and sold $650 million of dealer auto receivables through a new five-year European revolving facility. In another third-quarter action, CFC repurchased $90 million of preferred stock.

Commercial paper outstanding in the U.S., Canada and Europe was $1.5 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, down from $4.3 billion at June 30, 1990. CFC had $4.7 billion of short-term bank borrowings outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $3.5 billion at June 30, 1990.

At the end of the third quarter, CFC had 6,400 employees and 370 branch offices in the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

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#90302p0551 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, GA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - American Family Corp. (NYSE: AFL) today reported record third quarter results.

Operating earnings, excluding realized investment gains, rose 27.9 percent to $29.8 million, representing the best quarter in the company's history. Operating earnings per share increased 27.6 percent to $.37 compared to $.29 for the third quarter of 1989. Total revenues for the quarter were $683.0 million, an increase of 14.0 percent over a year ago.

For the nine months, operating earnings were $83.7 million, or $1.03 per share compared to $52.0 million, or $.64 per share last year. Total revenues increased 7.0 percent to $1.9 billion.

The board of directors also increased the fourth quarter cash dividend 12.5 percent to $.09 per share. The dividend is payable on Dec. 3 to stockholders of record on Nov. 16. This represents the company's 69th consecutive quarterly cash dividend and the eighth consecutive year in which the cash dividend has been increased.

Chief Executive Officer Dan Amos stated: "We are pleased with the record performance of the company in the third quarter. The company's firm foundation gives solid footing to the direction in which we are guiding the business. We expect that 1990 will be the best year in our history, with operating earnings per share greatly exceeding those of 1989; and we believe

that we will surpass our long-term corporate goals in 1991."

CONTACT: R. Lee Anderson II, senior vice president, or Kenneth S. Janke Jr., vice president, both of American Family Corp., 404-596-3264, or 800-235-2667 (outside Georgia)

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IRVING, TX (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - A new GTE Information Services (GTEIS) business unit, GTE Marketing Services, has been created to offer complete integrated marketing services, including target base networking, telemarketing specialty publications, direct response programs and program fulfillment services.

Establishing this new business is a significant step for GTE Information Services, according to Peter L. Green, vice president and general manager of GTE Marketing Services. "We expect GTE Marketing Services to play an integral role in GTEIS' goal of becoming the world's leading information networking and marketing company," he said today.

Based in Irving, GTE Marketing Services will coordinate and implement all of the steps necessary at every stage of a direct marketing program. "We can provide our customers with the coordinated effort necessary to achieve the greatest effect in the marketplace, giving them the maximum impact for their marketing dollars," Green said. "Companies have to use sophisticated marketing tools and market analysis to successfully compete today. However, not every company has the expertise or the resources to do its own direct marketing program. The new GTE Marketing Services offers those businesses a wide range of experience and expertise in a variety of marketing skills."

GTE Marketing Services will offer several specific services with its direct marketing program, including: target marketing, telemarketing, specialty publications, direct mail and program fulfillment.

GTE Marketing Services is a subsidiary of GTE Information Services (GTEIS), based in Tampa, Fla. GTEIS offers industry-specific software and services, publishing and marketing capabilities through its businesses.

GTEIS is a wholly-owned subsidiary of GTE Corporation (NYSE: GTE). GTE's subsidiaries operate in 46 states and 41 countries, with combined revenues and sales of $17.4 billion and net income of $1.4 billion in 1989. GTE is a leader in its three core businesses -- telecommunications, lighting and precision materials -- providing quality products and services worldwide.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Baldwin & Lyons, Inc. (NASDAQ: BWINA) today announced net income from operations for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $4.1 million, or $.75 per share, compared to $4.7 million, or $.83 per share, for the third quarter of 1989. The third quarter 1990 results included realized net capital losses of $.01 per share compared to net gains of $.11 per share a year earlier. Included in operating results for the third quarter of 1990 was $.01 per share representing federal tax credits resulting from the "fresh start" provisions of the 1986 Tax Reform Act.

Fresh start credits totaled $.02 per share during the third quarter of 1989. After adjusting for capital gains and the effects of fresh start, net operating income for the third quarter of 1990 was $4.0 million, or $.75 per share, compared to $4.0 million, or $.70 per share, for the third quarter of 1989. The 1990 quarter reflects a lower number of outstanding shares resulting from treasury stock purchases during the past year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, operating income totaled $11.7 million, or $2.13 per share, compared to $14.0 million, or $2.40 per share, for the first nine months of 1989. Realized capital losses included in operations were $.05 per share in the 1990 period compared to gains of $.25 per share a year earlier. Fresh start credits totaled $.2 million for the first nine months of 1990 ($.04 per share) and were $.4 million ($.06 per share) in the comparable 1989 period.

Net operating income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, after adjustment for capital losses and fresh start, was $11.8 million, or $2.14 per share, compared to $12.3 million, or $2.10 per share, for the first nine months of 1989.

The consolidated combined ratio for the third quarter of 1990 was 100.7 percent producing an underwriting loss of $.2 million. This compares to an underwriting loss of $.3 million on a combined ratio of 101.1 percent for the third quarter of 1989. On a year-to-date basis, the consolidated combined ratio for 1990 was 100.3 percent compared to 100.5 percent for the first nine months of 1989.

In accordance with its continuing program, during the third quarter the company repurchased an additional 52,000 shares of its Class B and Class A common stock, bringing total year-to-date purchases to 338,000 shares, or $6.8 million. The company has repurchased a total of approximately 1,181,000 shares of its common stock since the inception of this program.

The board of directors declared the regular quarterly dividend of 7.5 cents per share on the Class A and Class B common stock, payable Nov. 23, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 9, 1990.

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#90302p0561 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PAMPA, TX (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Service Fracturing Co.'s (NASDAQ: SERF) well servicing revenue in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was 61 percent higher than in the like 1989 quarter while oil and gas revenue was up 183 percent in this fiscal second period.

Jerry H. Guinn, president, said well servicing revenue totaled $3,991,552 in the 1990 period compared with $2,475,025 in the 1989 quarter. Oil and gas revenue amounted to $694,030 compared with $245,238 last year. For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 Serfco had a loss of only $21,639, less than one cent a share, compared with a loss of $468,658 in the 1989 quarter.

Well servicing cost of operations for the quarter was up 35 percent to $3,311,983 compared with $2,451,862 in the 1989 quarter, while oil and gas cost of operations nearly tripled the previous year and amounted to $1,115,412. Guinn said the sharp increase in oil and gas cost of operations resulted from the extensive remedial work done on wells acquired in April 1989 and March 1990.

Oil and gas cost of operations also included fracture treatments and production testing of a horizontal drainhole well and a vertical well it successfully connected in June 1990. The procedure is a new one being developed by Serfco called LPRACT - Low Pressure Reservoir Alternative Completion Technology.

At the end of September the well was considered very successful from an engineering standpoint. However, oil production is not what was anticipated. Because production has only recently begun and there are anticipated remedial steps to be taken the company is unable to determine at this time whether it will be able to recover all capital costs associated with the well.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 Serfco well servicing revenues were up 22 percent to $6,833,100 compared with $5,623,116 in the 1989 six months. Oil and gas revenues for the fiscal first half amounted to $1,303,292, more than triple the $349,518 in the 1989 six months. Serfco's net loss in the six months amounted to $254,861, or five cents a share, compared to a loss of $860,194, or 29 cents a share, for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990 the company's current ratio was 9.16 to one compared to 4.39 to one at March 31, 1990. Current assets at Sept. 30, 1990 of $15,660,107 included $11,666,341 in cash and cash equivalents.

The large amount of cash on hand stems from the company's sale in August 1990

of 1,454,545 shares of common stock to five purchasers in a private transaction. Net proceeds to Serfco amounted to $9,531,362, and the money is temporarily invested in U.S. government-backed securities pending use for a variety of company purposes.

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WALTHAM, MASS. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Cabot Corporation (NYSE: CBT) announced today plans to offer to its shareholders the opportunity to exchange shares of Cabot common stock for the shares of Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation (NYSE: COG) common stock beneficially owned by Cabot. Cabot currently is the beneficial owner of approximately 82 percent of the common stock of Cabot Oil & Gas.

Cabot Oil & Gas, headquartered in Houston, Texas, became a public company in February 1990 through an initial public offering. Today, Cabot Oil & Gas is filing a registration statement with the SEC relating to the exchange offer. The exchange rate and other terms and conditions of the exchange offer will be announced when the offer is commenced after the registration statement becomes effective, which is expected to be in early December.

Cabot Chairman Samuel W. Bodman commented, "The exchange offer will provide Cabot shareholders with the opportunity to adjust some or all of their investment between Cabot and Cabot Oil & Gas on a tax-free basis. We also believe that the complete separation of our specialty chemicals and materials businesses from the exploration and production business of Cabot Oil & Gas will allow the financial markets to more effectively evaluate each company's businesses. The separation will also permit Cabot to focus its managerial and financial resources on the growth of its remaining businesses."

Charles P. Siess, Jr., chairman of Cabot Oil & Gas, said, "Separating the companies will provide Cabot Oil & Gas greater flexibility and enhanced ability to finance its future operations and provide Cabot Oil & Gas shareholders with an expanded market for their investment in Cabot Oil & Gas. After the transaction, Cabot Oil & Gas will have 20,465,000 shares of common stock trading on the New York Stock Exchange."

The exchange is subject to a number of conditions, including receipt of a confirming opinion of counsel that the exchange will be tax-free. The exchange will be consummated if sufficient Cabot shares are tendered to permit the exchange of at least 80 percent of the Cabot Oil & Gas common stock owned by Cabot. If the exchange is consummated, but not all of the Cabot Oil and Gas shares owned by Cabot have been exchanged, any remaining shares will be distributed pro rata to remaining Cabot shareholders. Upon completion of the

exchange and any subsequent distribution, Cabot will not own any shares of Cabot Oil & Gas. The dealer managers for the exchange offer are Goldman, Sachs & Co.

Cabot Corporation is a Fortune 300 Company, headquartered in Waltham, Mass., with operations in Specialty Chemicals and Materials, and Energy.

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DENVER (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Manville Corp. (NYSE: MVL) today announced third quarter net sales of $576.1 million, up slightly from 1989, while income from operations of $63.5 million decreased by $22 million or 26 percent. Net income was $24.5 million or 17 cents per common share compared to $40.4 million or 30 cents per common share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net sales were $1.7 billion, relatively constant with 1989 as acquisition-related sales offset sales lost in divestitures. Income from operations for 1990 was $214.2 million versus $241 million for 1989, down 11 percent. This resulted in net income of $102.1 million or 75 cents per common share for the first nine months of 1990 versus net income from continuing businesses of $120.1 million or 91 cents per common share in 1989.

In the third quarter, Manville acquired Visypack, Pty. Ltd., a leading producer of lithographic folding cartons in Australia. This acquisition significantly furthers Manville's strategy of expanding its position as a worldwide paper and packaging producer. Earlier in 1990, Manville announced the purchase of DRG Cartons Ltd of the U.K., a folding cartons operation and Fiskeby Board AB of Sweden, a supplier of recycled and coated boxboard products.

On Sept. 7, the company entered into an Agreement in Principle with the Manville Personal Injury Settlement Trust to restructure the funding of the Trust. Related professional fees to date of $4.8 million are included as an expense in restructuring of operations for the third quarter. Additional expenses will be incurred as the transaction proceeds.

"Our margins have declined in 1990," said Tom Stephens, Manville chairman, president and chief executive officer. "While our domestic paper business has remained steady, we're feeling the effects of softening in the domestic construction markets and the challenges of the economic reforms in Brazil. In addition, the start-up of new operations has hurt earnings. Nonetheless, we continue to feel good about most of our operations and we feel we are well prepared to deal with the economic slowdown that has started."

Manville has redefined its industry segments and, beginning in the third quarter of 1990, is separately reporting the results of the Building Products segment, the Engineered Products segment, the Forest Products segment and the Mining and Minerals segment. Building Products includes Manville's building insulations and roofing businesses. Engineered Products includes industrial fiber glass insulations and the mats, fibers and reinforcements businesses. Manville's paper and wood products and energy businesses are included in Forest Products, while Mining and Minerals encompasses the company's diatomite perlite and platinum and palladium mining operations.

Manville is an international manufacturing and natural resources company headquartered in Denver. The company's primary businesses include building and engineered products, fiber glass and industrial insulation products, paper and wood products, packaging, roofing systems and filtration and minerals. Founded in 1858, Manville has more than 18,000 people at more than 50 plants and seven mining interests worldwide. Manville and its subsidiaries have more than $2.5 billion in assets as of Dec. 31, 1989.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - HEI, Inc. (NASDAQ: HEII) announced that on Oct. 15, 1990, it had filed a registration statement on Form S-2 with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a possible shareholder's rights offering. The price and other terms of the offering will not be finalized until the SEC has completed its review of the filing. HEI's stated primary intent, should the company proceed with the rights offering, is to use the funds raised to reduce its obligations to vendors and suppliers.

Offers pursuant to the rights offering will be made only by means of a prospectus.

HEI is a Minnesota-based company specializing in ultra-miniature microelectronics packaging and high technology peripheral products incorporating microelectronics. The company's stock trades on the NASDAQ/National Market System under the symbol HEII.

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ST. PAUL, MINN. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - 3M's (NYSE: MMM) pioneering Technical Teams Encouraging Career Horizons (TECH), a 12-year science encouragement

program, launches its 1990-91 season Wednesday, Oct. 31, at 7:45 a.m. at 3M Center, Maplewood, Minn.

Program founder and Chair Judith E. Parker will welcome and address the 150 3M technical women and men who will visit some 75 Twin Cities public and private schools through March, encouraging young people to study math and science, and prepare for technical career decisions later on in life.

In addition, a Honeywell, Inc. group, involved in a similar program, will report on its progress. Both groups can speak to the urgency of their approach to dealing with the very serious national problem of a current and projected long-term shortage of technical employees in the work force.

Media members wishing to attend the kickoff, which will be in the Building 201 Auditorium, should make advance arrangements with Will Shapira, 3M Public Relations, 733-8936, or with Mark Fenner, 3M Public Relations, 733-9242.

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#90302p0569 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - William L. Bacon of Rochester, Beaver County, is the new secretary-treasurer of the Pennsylvania Social Services Union (PSSU), Local 668, Service Employees International Union (SEIU), AFL-CIO-CLC.

He was elected to succeed Frank Fasciano of suburban Pittsburgh who had returned to his state government position.

"Bill Bacon brings to PSSU an excellent background as a state employee, union activist and union business agent," said PSSU President Paul Krissel. "PSSU members will benefit from his expertise."

Bacon had been a business agent since May 1989 for PSSU's Northwest Chapter headquartered in Erie.

Prior to that he was a state employee since 1984 with the Beaver County Assistance Office, first as an energy assistance worker and then as an income maintenance caseworker.

PSSU, the state's second-largest public employee union, represents 14,000 workers.

PSSU represents caseworkers and counselors in the state departments of Public Welfare, Labor and Industry, Corrections, and other state agencies, as well as employees in county government, private nursing homes and private sector human service agencies.

Bacon majored in economics at California State College (Pa.) and business administration at Robert Morris College near Pittsburgh. He also studied at the Union Leadership Academy, Labor Studies Department, Pennsylvania State University.

He was chief shop steward at the Beaver CAO and a delegate to the Beaver County Central Labor Council. Bacon was actively involved in community services and coalition building.

He was a paramedic for three years with the U.S. Army Medical Corps and worked in various steel mills in the Beaver Valley.

His father and grandfather were also union activists.

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#90302p0572 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Willis Corroon plc (ADRs listed on NYSE and PSE: WCG) has to date been informed that more than half of the appraisal rights asserted prior to the effective time of its merger with Corroon & Black Corporation (NYSE: CBL) have already been withdrawn.

Accordingly the percentage of Corroon & Black's shares in respect of which apparently valid appraisal rights may be pursued has been reduced from the 11.8 percent announced at the effective time of the merger to a maximum of approximately 4.4 percent.

Shareholders are not obliged to notify Willis Corroon or Corroon & Black if they wish to abandon the pursuit of appraisal rights and may just exchange their Corroon & Black shares for shares in Willis Corroon.

Accordingly Willis Corroon cannot now know the number of shares in respect of which appraisal rights may still be pursued. Appraisal rights may be abandoned by any shareholder without the consent of Willis Corroon or Corroon & Black at any time within 60 days of the merger and will only be pursued if a shareholder files a petition in the Delaware courts seeking appraisal within 120 days of the merger.

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#90302p0575 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nikko Securities Co. International, Inc.

today announced that it had joined the American Stock Exchange. The purchase of the Amex membership underscores the firm's commitment to expanding its U.S. business to meet client needs.

"With the addition of the Amex membership, Nikko International expects to provide its global client base with more efficient order executions," said Hideo Suzuki, chairman of Nikko International in making the announcement.

The addition of the Amex membership brings to four the number of securities exchanges on which Nikko International holds memberships. The other exchanges are the New York Stock Exchange and the Boston and Pacific Stock Exchanges. In addition, Nikko International is a member of the Chicago Board of Trade and the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

Nikko International is the subsidiary of one of the big four Japanese securities houses, The Nikko Securities Co., Ltd. Nikko International operates offices in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

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DEARBORN, MICH. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statement may be attributed to John P. King, Parts and Service Engineering Office manager, Ford Parts and Service Division:

Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) is voluntarily recalling more than 127,000 1987 Thunderbirds and Cougars with 3.8-liter engines to assure acceptable emissions levels.

In-use vehicle emission testing conducted by the Environmental Protection Agency and Ford indicated that carbon monoxide exhaust emission levels are unacceptable at high altitudes and hydrocarbon levels are unacceptable at low altitudes.

To correct this condition, dealers will be asked to install a vacuum retard delay valve and change the ignition timing. The work will be performed at no cost to the owner. Cars affected were built for sale in the 49 states. California and Canadian vehicles are not affected.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - HEI Inc. (NASDAQ: HEII) today released unaudited financial results for the fourth quarter and its fiscal year which

ended Aug. 31, 1990.

The fourth quarter ended with a net profit of $6,369, compared to net losses of $(602,661) for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1989, and net losses of $(316,296) and $(512,505) for the second and third quarters of fiscal 1990. Revenues for the fourth quarter were $2,377,920 compared to $2,019,169 for the same period last year, and $1,947,780 and $2,063,212 for the second and third quarters of 1990, respectively.

For the year ended Aug. 31, 1990, the company realized a net loss of $(850,464), or ($.58) per share on revenues of $8,545,440. For the previous year, HEI had recorded a net loss of $(978,144), or ($.63) per share on revenues of $8,293,683.

Eugene Courtney, HEI president since June 1990, stated that the company believes it can operate at a profit in fiscal 1991, having significantly reduced its expense levels and refocused operations on its base business in thick film hybrid microelectronics. "The cash flow from operations in our 1991 plan should be sufficient to cover our obligations on long term debt, some additional capital equipment, and other operating needs, including supporting vendor payables at current levels." "But," said Courtney, "we may need additional funds to reduce supplier obligations to a level that is more comfortable for both HEI and our vendors, who have worked so well with us over the past several months. The purpose of a shareholder's rights offering, should we proceed, is to do just that." Courtney added that the company is presently engaged in negotiating a renewal of its loan agreement, and expects to have that resolved by the end of December 1990.

HEI Inc. is a Minnesota-based company specializing in ultra- miniature microelectronic packaging and high technology peripheral products incorporating microelectronics. The company's stock trades on the NASDAQ/National Market System under the symbol HEII.

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CORAL GABLES, FLA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Wackenhut Corporation (NYSE: WAK) reported today that net income for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $1,868,000, compared to $1,694,000 in the same period last year, an increase of 10.3 percent. Earnings per share were 49 cents, vs. 44 cents last year.

Revenues for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $134,060,000, compared to revenues of $120,030,000 for the same period last year, an increase of 11.7 percent.

Net income for the 39 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $4,884,000 or $1.27 per

share, compared to net income of $4,117,000 or $1.07 per share for the first 39 weeks of 1989, an increase of 18.6 percent.

Revenues for the 39 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $387,312,000, up from $341,879,000 for the comparable period of 1989, an increase of 13.3 percent.

At the regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation, a cash dividend of 15 cents per share was declared, payable Jan. 4, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business Dec. 14, 1990.

The Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Corporation, George R. Wackenhut stated that the increased revenues were due to the addition of the Rocky Flats security contract for the U.S. Department of Energy in August 1990, and the Corporation's growth in the corrections business.

He attributed the earnings increase to the above items and also the trend in the contract security business toward the higher-margin service provided by its Custom Protection Division, overhead cost control efforts at the Corporate level, and reduced interest expenses.

The Wackenhut Corporation is one of the world's largest security and investigative organizations and has diversified its service offerings to the operation and management of jails and prisons, facility management, and related services to commercial and government clients.

Headquartered in Coral Gables, Fla., its operations now extend from over 125 U.S. locations to operations in over 40 countries and six continents.

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HIGHLAND PARK, MICH (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Steve Klein, marketing executive for Jeep(R)/Eagle Division of Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C), was named chairman of the board of the newly formed Tread Lightly, Inc., a non-profit educational organization.

Tread Lightly, Inc. unites public and private groups in a major education program to promote environmentally responsible use of public and private lands. The U.S. Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management joined publishers, manufacturers, retailers, environmental and user groups in a recent signing ceremony in Washington, D.C., formally establishing the new organization.

"There is a real need for government and business to get together to educate everyone on the need to put the environment as our top priority," Klein said. "If the environment is not first, we may be one of the last generations to

enjoy it."

The use of public lands has increased substantially recently and so has the abuse. Consequently, more than 40 percent of the available forest lands in the United States have been closed to recreational users in the past several years.

"Education of responsible use of the land has become a growing concern and the Tread Lightly! program provides an alternative to restricting recreational use assuring continued access to our natural resources for future generations," Klein added.

The Tread Lightly! program was started by the U.S. Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management three years ago and the new, non- profit corporation is evolving from that program.

The Jeep/Eagle Division was the first automotive manufacturer to join the Tread Lightly! program in 1987. This decision was an extension of its involvement with conservation programs which began in 1953 when American Motors had the Conservation Awards.

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HAMMOND, IND. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - NIPSCO Industries, Inc. (NYSE: NI) today reported net income of $24.8 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $19.9 million for the third quarter of last year.

Earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were 36 cents per average common share, compared to 28 cents for the same period in 1989, mainly resulting from decreased operating expenses.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $317.8 million compared to $318.5 million in the third quarter of 1989.

For the third quarter of 1990, gas deliveries increased 3.3 percent reflecting increased industrial demand. Electric sales increased 5.2 percent, reflecting increased residential, commercial and industrial sales compared to the same period a year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income amounted to $85.2 million or $1.23 per average common share compared to $86.0 million or earnings per average common share of $1.18 for the same period a year ago.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $1.097 billion compared to $1.108 billion a year ago. Gas revenues decreased $23.5 million

reflecting decreased gas sales to residential and commercial customers due to the warm first quarter of 1990. Electric revenues increased $12.9 million as a result of increased sales to residential, commercial and industrial customers.

For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company recorded net income of $71.3 million or earnings of $1.02 per average common share. Earnings were reduced by $0.75 per share during this period, reflecting a fourth quarter 1989 pretax charge of $82.0 million under Other Income (Deductions) for refunds to electric customers for amounts previously collected in rates for the cancelled Bailly N1 project.

This item was previously classified as an extraordinary charge (net of income taxes) in the amount of $51.7 million in prior period financial statements. Earnings were $121.7 million or $1.67 per share for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Revenues for the 12 month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $1.549 billion compared to $1.533 billion for the 12 month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, electric sales increased 2.8 percent, reflecting increased residential, commercial and industrial demands. Gas deliveries for the period were relatively unchanged.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Black Clawson Company, the leading U.S. maker of paper recycling systems, announced today that it has acquired Zimpro/Passavant Inc., a leading provider of high technology pollution control and sludge disposal systems.

"Black Clawson equipment is used in handling more than 80 percent of America's recycled paper," pointed out Carl C. Landegger, chairman of Black Clawson. "This acquisition gives us a unique opportunity to increase our service to the paper recycling industry where the handling of sludge has been a growing problem.

"Newsprint executives predict that the market for recycled newsprint will triple by 1995," Landegger continued. "In a decade where environmental problems should be turned into environmental solutions, the addition of Zimpro/Passavant will enable us to offer those solutions throughout the paper chain, from pulp processing to customer-ready product. As a result, we fully intend to become the strongestcompany in supplying environmentally sound sludge disposal systems."

In hailing the new business combination, Alfred Slatin, president of Zimpro/Passavant, noted that his company "fits perfectly with Black Clawson. We started in the 1960s by developing sophisticated technologies to solve complicated industrial pollution problems, and we have gone on to create clean-up processes for a large number of industries including the chemical and petroleum industries. This entry into the pulp and paper industry is a solid synergy."

Processes invented and developed by Zimpro/Passavant to handle paper-making sludge and other difficult waste problems include a wet air oxidation process to burn organic materials in their liquid state, a system using powdered activated carbon that can reduce water treatment to a single step, and fluidized bed furnaces for sludge combustion. The firm also operates three laboratories for water, sludge and soil testing.

Black Clawson Company, headquartered in New York City, has produced equipment for the pulp and paper industry since 1853. The company also serves the converting, plastics and concrete pipe industries. Annual sales exceed $200 million. Zimpro/Passavant, founded in 1960, is located at Rothschild, Wis., where it initially developed the wet air oxidation process. The firm now has annual sales in excess of $40 million. The acquisition also includes its Enviroscan analytical laboratory.

Both companies are private. The total value of the transaction was not announced.

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#90302p0600 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Dresser Industries, Inc. (NYSE: DI) stated that on Oct. 26, 1990 jurors in Midland, Texas awarded Parker & Parsley Petroleum Co. $245 million in damages following a trial in Federal Court in which operating entities of Dresser Industries, Inc. and Baker Hughes Incorporated (NYSE: BHI) were alleged to have overcharged for certain oil well services from 1983 to 1987.

Dresser stated that the company's legal counsel was shocked by the award and was reviewing appropriate actions. In other matters, the company said it planned to reenter the open market Nov. 1, 1990 to further implement its stock buyback program announced Oct. 16, 1990.

Headquartered in Dallas, Dresser is a major supplier of highly engineered products and services primarily utilized in upstream and downstream energy activities throughout the world.

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#90302p0604 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Reuters has signed an agreement with ACT Financial Systems Ltd. to market ACT's digital trading room system designed for the small to medium-sized dealing room.

The agreement gives Reuters global rights to market a version of the PC-based Citydesk, which will complement Reuters PRISM color video system in the small to medium-sized trading room marketplace.

The Citydesk product (which will be distributed by Reuters under a different name) uses an industry-standard network to support a number of PC-based dealer workstations. These workstations offer traders an easy way of accessing real-time information from Reuters and other major information vendors, together with the ability to run added-value applications such as composite paging and real-time spreadsheets. Facilities providing graphics and limit-minding are also available.

Reuters will offer the system on a rental or outright sale basis to complement the commercial terms under which PRISM is available.

ACT Financial Systems Ltd. is a leading supplier of software, services and consultancy to the financial sector. The company is committed to the development, marketing and support of sophisticated software and services and has made hardware independence a central focus of its product strategy. ACT Financial Systems is a subsidiary of the British systems integration group, ACT Group PLC.

Reuters Holdings PLC (NASDAQ: RTRSY) supplies the global business community and news media with a wide range of facilities including real- time financial data and transaction services, access to numeric and textual historical data bases, news and news pictures. Reuters has a controlling interest in Visnews, the international television news agency, and Reuter Group companies design and install trading room systems. Reuters obtains information from around 160 exchanges and over-the-counter markets and from a network of some 1,310 journalists, photographers and cameramen. Reuters distributes information through approximately 200,000 video terminals and teleprinters. This includes information directly transmitted to clients' computers.

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#90302p0606 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, CA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Ross Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ROST) announced

today the grand opening of its Christown Mall store on Sunday, Nov. 4. The new Ross "Dress For Less" is one of 16 stores grand opening in November throughout the off-price retailer's nationwide markets.

The 24,500 square foot store is located in the former Ole's adjacent to Christown Mall, on the southwest corner of 15th Avenue and Bethany Home Road. Coanchors at the mall include Montgomery Ward, J.C. Penney's, Dillards and Broadway Southwest. Ross now operates a total of nine stores throughout Arizona.

In commenting on this latest addition to the chain, Norman A. Ferber, president and chief executive officer, stated, "Christown Mall is an excellent location that strengthens our presence in the Phoenix area with a new total of seven stores. We plan to continue expanding in this market, as we believe that Phoenix will be an area of growth throughout the nineties."

Another 15 Ross 'Dress For Less' stores are grand opening during November in the retailer's Philadelphia/South New Jersey, Washington, D.C., South Florida, Boise, Dallas/Fort Worth, and Los Angeles markets. Ross will now operate a total of 185 stores in 18 states coast-to-coast.

Ross Stores Inc. generated sales of $741 million in its 1989 fiscal year. The off-price retailer offers first quality, in-season, branded apparel and footwear for the entire family at 20 percent to 60 percent less than department and specialty store prices, as well as complete departments for accessories and fragrances at similar savings.

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#90302p0607 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, CA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Ross Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ROST) announced today the grand opening of its store in Lewisville on Sunday, Nov. 4. The new Ross 'Dress For Less' is one of 16 stores grand opening in November throughout the off-price retailer's nationwide markets.

The 25,900 square foot store is located in Lakepointe Crossing, a new development at the southeast corner of Interstate 35 and Round Grove Road in Lewisville. Vista Ridge Mall, the regional center, is directly across Interstate 35. Cotenants at the new center include Toys-R-Us, Service Merchandise and Montgomery Wards. Ross will now operate 14 stores throughout the state of Texas.

In commenting on this latest addition to the chain, Norman A. Ferber, president and chief executive officer, stated, "Lakepointe Crossing is the second store we have opened in the Dallas/Fort Worth market this year. We believe these new stores will strengthen our position in this key market and

allow us to better serve the Dallas/Fort Worth customer with a new total of nine stores in the area."

Another 15 Ross 'Dress For Less' stores are grand opening in November in Philadelphia/South New Jersey, Washington, D.C., Miami, Boise, Phoenix and Los Angeles. Ross will now operate a total of 185 stores in 18 states coast-to-coast.

Ross Stores Inc. generated sales of $741 million in its 1989 fiscal year. The off-price retailer offers first quality, in-season, branded apparel and footwear for the entire family at 20 percent to 60 percent less than department and specialty store prices, as well as complete departments for accessories and fragrances at similar savings.

CONTACT: Katie Loughnot of Ross Stores Inc., 415-790-4509

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#90302p0609 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, CA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - California-based Ross Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ROST) announced today that it will open three new stores over the next few weeks in the Philadelphia/South New Jersey area, the off-price retailer's newest market. Two new Ross 'Dress For Less' stores will celebrate their grand opening on Nov. 4 and are located in Northeast Philadelphia and Pleasantville, N.J. The third new Ross will grand open on Nov. 17 in Deptford N.J.

The 28,075 square foot Northeast Philadelphia store is in Red Lion Plaza, an existing center at the southwest corner of Roosevelt Boulevard and Red Lion Road. The new Ross 'Dress For Less' will occupy part of the former Bradlee's Department Store space, along with Drug Emporium and Sports Authority. Other cotenants include Acme Market and Pep Boys.

The new store in Pleasantville is located in Cardiff Circle Shopping Center, between Black Horse Pike and Washington Avenue off of the Garden State Parkway. Ross will occupy the 27,300 square foot former Jewelcor space, next to Bradlee's Department Store. Other cotenants in the existing center include Pathmark Supermarket, Herman's Sporting Goods, Fashion Bug Plus, TJ Maxx, and Hit or Miss.

The 30,000 square foot Deptford Ross 'Dress For Less' is opening in mid-November at The Court at Deptford. The new power center is across from the Deptford Mall at the southeast corner of Route 55 and Deptford Center Road. Other tenants include Pace Warehouse, Sports Authority, Circuit City and RX Place.

Thirteen additional Ross 'Dress For Less' stores are also grand opening on Nov. 4 in the retailer's Los Angeles, Washington, D.C., South Florida,

Dallas/Ft. Worth, Boise and Phoenix markets. Ross will now operate a total of 185 stores in 18 states coast-to-coast.

Ross Stores, Inc. generated sales of $741 million in its 1989 fiscal year. The off-price retailer offers first quality, in-season, branded apparel and footwear for the entire family at 20 percent to 60 percent less than department and specialty store prices, as well as complete departments for accessories and fragrances at similar savings.

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#90302p0611 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORFOLK, VA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Philip Morris Companies, Inc., the world's largest producer of consumer packaged goods, joined the United Service Organizations (USO) today in announcing the initiation of "Operation Oasis," a project that will send 100,000 Oasis Packages to troops stationed in the Persian Gulf region.

These packages, which will be distributed to the "front line" troops of Operation Desert Shield, consist of duffel bags stuffed with a variety of products donated by Philip Morris and several other American companies. Philip Morris, on behalf of the USO, also coordinated the effort of collecting, packaging, and shipping the packages to the troops.

"Philip Morris has a long history of supporting our nation's Armed Forces and has, over the years, been a major contributor to a variety of USO projects, including the refurbishing of four USO centers worldwide." said John Kochevar, director, Issues Management, Philip Morris Companies Inc.

"That's why, shortly after the deployment of American troops to the Persian Gulf, Philip Morris approached the USO as to how our company as a whole or as individual operating units could help with their efforts in the Middle East."

In addition to managing many of the details of Operation Oasis, the Philip Morris family of companies was a major contributor of products to the Oasis Packages. The troops of Operation Desert Shield, for example, will enjoy several items contributed by Kraft General Foods, the multinational food business of Philip Morris.

Products donated to Operation Oasis include two-quart envelopes of pre-sweetened Kool-Aid powdered soft drink; 8-packs of the Suisse Mocha flavor General Foods International Coffees; boxes of cereal by Post Cereals; Tombstone BeefSticks; and 15-packs of coffee from the Maxwell House Coffee Company. Another operating unit of Philip Morris - Philip Morris U.S.A. - has donated Marlboro Racing Team caps and playing cards to the Oasis Packages.

"We know that being stationed in the desert is no one's idea of 'fun in the sun' and hopefully the products included in the USO Oasis Packages will help make our men and women in uniform more comfortable while they are so far away from home," Kochevar said. "Philip Morris commends the USO for its efforts on behalf of our nation's military and is proud to have had the opportunity to contribute to a project as important as Operation Oasis."

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#90302p0612 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of American Greetings (NASDAQ: AGREA) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 17.5 cents per share.

The dividend, payable to holders of both Class A and Class B common shares, will be paid December 10, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 26, 1990. This is the 156th consecutive quarter that American Greetings has paid a dividend.

American Greetings is the world's largest publicly owned maker of greeting cards and related products. Shares are traded in the Over-the-Counter market and are listed in the daily NASDAQ national market table.

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#90302p0616 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) is going statewide with its mini-grant program for teachers and has doubled the money it will award.

All Delaware teachers in grades K through 12 are eligible to apply for the 1990-91 grants which will total $50,000 and range from $100 to $1,500.

Previously, only teachers in New Castle County could apply for $25,000 in grants.

Interested teachers should submit applications describing their projects and explaining how they will enhance the learning experience. The applications should include budgets and descriptions of the materials needed to complete the projects, as well as timetables and means of measurement to determine success.

Applications and additional information can be obtained from most school offices or from Carol Amato of the Christina School District.

The deadline for applications is Jan. 8. The applications will be judged by a committee representing Delaware's public, independent and parochial schools, the American Association of University Women, the Science Alliance, the University of Delaware and Du Pont.

The awards will be announced and projects funded in March. This is the sixth year Du Pont has funded the mini-grant program. The company has provided more than $140,000 in support of teachers and their innovative teaching efforts.

The Du Pont mini-grant program is part of a global aid-to-education program that distributes more than $15 million annually. The company said it expects to spend more than $2 million in 1990 to support programs aimed at enhancing the quality of education for pre-college students. The remaining funds primarily support colleges and universities.

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#90302p0617 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Energy Conversion Devices, Inc. ("ECD") (OTC: ENER) and its subsidiary, Ovonic Battery Company,Inc. ("OBC"), announced today that ECD and OBC entered into a license agreement with Gates Energy Products, Inc. ("Gates") of Gainesville, Fla.

Under the agreement, ECD and OBC have granted Gates a non-exclusive, royalty-bearing license to make, use and sell small portable batteries for consumer and OEM applications worldwide. In return, ECD and OBC will receive certain lump-sum payments and running royalties. Gates has granted OBC a royalty-free license under improvements and modifications Gates makes to the ECD/OBC technology.

Gates is by far the largest portable rechargeable battery company in North America. In 1987, Gates acquired General Electric's battery business division. Gates is a major producer of consumer and OEM battery products with sales and distribution network worldwide.

OBC's nontoxic batteries are based on its proprietary hydride materials technology. OBC has already granted nonexclusive, royalty- bearing licenses under its battery technology to Varta Batterie AG of Germany, Hitachi Maxell, Ltd. of Japan and Sovlux, a joint venture between ECD and a U.S.S.R. energy company. Ovonic consumer batteries are also being assembled in Hong Kong.

ECD's and OBC's proprietary consumer metal hydride batteries are also being scaled up for use in electric vehicles, and ECD/OBC are in negotiations with various automotive companies throughout the world.

ECD, based in Troy, is the pioneer in amorphous and synthetic materials technology. The company and its subsidiaries form joint ventures, license technology and manufacture and sell products in the fields of energy, information and synthetic materials based upon technology ECD and its subsidiaries have developed. ECD's photovoltaic and battery products are environmentally safe and address such environmental problems as atmospheric pollution, protecting the ozone layer, reducing hazardous waste and the greenhouse effect.

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#90302p0618 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, ILL. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The L.E. Myers Co. Group (NYSE: MYR) today reported net income of $1,422,000 or $.55 per share for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with net income from continuing operations of $865,000 or $.31 per share for the comparable period of 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $2,496,000 or $.98 per share versus $1,512,000 or $.55 per share from continuing operations last year.

Revenues for the quarter were $17,089,000 compared with $14,802,000 for 1989. Revenues for the nine months were $48,207,000 compared to $44,145,000 for the prior year.

The company had net income from discontinued operations of $86,000 or $.03 per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The company's backlog at Sept. 30, 1990 increased 16 percent to $25.3 million from $21.9 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Substantially all of the current backlog will be completed within 12 months.

Commenting on the results, Charles M. Brennan, chairman and chief executive officer, said "We were pleased with the results for the quarter and encouraged by the continued strong tone of our business. The fourth quarter looks good and, barring an early onset of winter, should result in an excellent year for the company."

Brennan also reported that "The board of directors had declared a $.0375 per share dividend payable Nov. 30, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990." Brennan went on to note that "The board and management were pleased to be able to increase the dividend 25 percent at this time."

Myers specializes in overhead and underground outdoor electrical construction. This includes construction and maintenance of transmission lines, distribution systems, substations, outdoor lighting and signal control systems for public investor owned electrical utilities, heavy industry and government

facilities.

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#90302p0620 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Systemhouse Inc. (NASDAQ: SHKIF) of Arlington today announced that it has been awarded a $13.9 million subcontract by Native American Consulting Inc. (NACI), also of Arlington, to provide data processing and network management services to the U.S. Treasury Department.

Under terms of the five-year contract, Systemhouse will provide computer resources from its Houston Outsourcing Center to process all data for the Treasury Payroll Information System (TPIS) which supports approximately 55,000 government employees.

Additionally, Systemhouse will provide programming support for the maintenance and development of the existing payroll system as well as accounting, payroll and retirement records processing support services.

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#90302p0624 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST CALDWELL, NJ (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrimac Industries (AMEX: MRM) announced today that its board of directors had declared a dividend of 30 cents per share, consisting of the regular year-end dividend of ten cents per share and a special dividend of 20 cents a share. The record date for the dividend will be Dec. 7, 1990, and the payment date will be Dec. 17, 1990.

Merrimac also announced that its board had adopted a proposal to amend Merrimac's certificate of incorporation to eliminate cumulative voting in the election of its directors.

The proposal will be presented to the company's shareholders at a special meeting. The record date and the date of the special meeting will be announced shortly. Merrimac expects to file proxy materials with the Securities and Exchange Commission later this week.

Merrimac Industries, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets high-performance mixers and passive components for telecommunications, defense, and aerospace.

CONTACT: Paul Terranova, chairman and CEO of Merrimac Industries, (201) 575-1300.

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#90302p0625 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Franklin Holding Corporation (AMEX: FKL) (Delaware) announced that its board of directors has approved a plan to repurchase up to 100,000 shares of the corporation's common stock in the open market or in private transactions, from time to time, when such purchases are deemed to be in the best interest of the corporation and its stockholders. Franklin currently has 1,003,776 shares outstanding.

Franklin is a closed-end investment company.

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#90302p0628 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIDDLETOWN, PA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Homestead Holding Corp. (NASDAQ: HMSD) today announced that it expects to record a significant charge to operations in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, ending Dec. 31, 1990, due to significant write-downs of the value of certain real estate ventures involving wholly owned subsidiaries of Homestead Savings Association, as well as increases in the association's reserves for possible loan losses.

The company is reviewing the association's loan portfolio and real estate investments in conjunction with an examination presently being conducted by regulatory authorities and because of the effect of overall economic conditions on real estate investments. This will not have any effect on deposits which remain fully insured to the full extent of the law by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. While the company said it feels that it would be premature to project the exact amount of the charge or its effect on the company's results of operations, the high level of assets tentatively identified by the regulators for classification would, if classified, have a material adverse effect on the association's operating results and financial condition. The significant increase in reserves will likely result in the association's non-compliance with one or more of its regulatory capital requirements.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the association had tangible and core capital, as defined, of $13.1 million or 5.11 percent of adjusted total assets, compared with respective requirements of 1.5 percent and 3 percent. Risk based capital was $15.5 million or 7.19 percent of risk weighted assets, compared to a 6.4 percent requirement. However, the company said it believes it is likely that it will not meet one or more of its capital requirements on or prior to Dec. 31, 1990. In the event that a savings association does not meet any one of its regulatory capital requirements, it would be required to file a capital plan with the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS). If a capital plan is not approved by the OTS, a savings association may be required to enter into a consent agreement or other form of agreement with the OTS which, among other

things, could severely impact future operations.

The company previously announced on Sept. 21, 1990, that in connection with the association's ongoing examination, it had received supervisory directives from the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and the Pittsburgh District of the OTS which limits the growth of the association during any fiscal quarter. In addition, the directives established restrictions on certain aspects of the association's operations including, among other things, limitations on commercial real estate, business and real estate development lending and prohibits the payment of dividends. The association's business is otherwise being conducted as usual.

Homestead Holding Corp. is the holding company for Homestead Savings Association. Founded in 1920, the association operates four full- service branches in central Pennsylvania.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The full text of wire stories from Scripps Howard News Service is now available for computerized access on VU/TEXT.

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TORONTO (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Varity Corporation (NYSE: VAT) announced that the public shareholders of Kelsey-Hayes Canada would be entitled to receive Cdn$20.00 per share in cash if a proposal from Varity through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Kelsey-Hayes Company, of Romulus, Mich., for an amalgamation of Kelsey-Hayes Canada and another Kelsey-Hayes unit is approved. Varity said it has withdrawn the option of receiving Varity common shares instead of cash.

As a result of the amended proposal, the amalgamation will require the separate approval of public shareholders of Kelsey-Hayes Canada, and a special meeting will be called to consider the matter.

Kelsey-Hayes Canada said the independent committee established by its board of directors to consider the proposal will report to the board within the next few weeks regarding the fairness of the amended proposal to its public shareholders. If the Kelsey-Hayes Canada board decides to proceed with the proposed amalgamation, the special meeting of shareholders is expected to be held before the end of December 1990.

CONTACT: J. R. Nowling of Varity, 416-593-3773

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#90302p0634 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, CO (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Wiland Services Inc. (NASDAQ: WSVS) announced today its results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Operating revenues were $7,250,000 -- an 18 percent increase over revenues of $6,147,000 for the like period in 1989. The company had net income of $426,000 or 12 cents per share, compared to net income of $330,000 or 9 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, operating revenues were $20,855,000 -- an 18 percent increase over revenues of $17,655,000 for the like period in 1989. The company had net income of $692,000 or 19 cents per share, compared to net income of $1,082,000 or 30 cents per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Phillip A. Wiland, president and chief executive officer, commented that "I am very pleased with our third quarter, 1990 results. The increase in both earnings and revenues indicate the continued strength in our business."

Wiland Services, a direct marketing company, specializes in direct marketing services and consumer products. The company's direct marketing services include database management, list enhancement, marketing research, list fulfillment, computer printing, information services and mailing lists which assist marketers with the planning and implementation of their marketing programs.

The company also sells products direct to individual consumers. Under the trade name Colorful Images, the company sells a line of personal labels, stationery, desk accessories and gift items through various direct marketing media.

Headquartered in Boulder, the company has production facilities in Boulder and Fredericksburg, Va., and sells its products and services nationwide.

CONTACT: Mike Wolfe of Wiland Services Inc., 303-530-0606

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#90302p0636 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dress Barn, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: DBRN), today acknowledged the first place award it received from Management Horizons, Division of Price Waterhouse, as its top ranked High Performance Retailer. At their 1990 CEO Strategic Outlook Conference, Dress Barn was ranked first as the company that has maintained its status as High Performance Retailer for four consecutive study periods.

The company also announced that as of this date, it had repurchased 1,005,000 shares of its common stock, as previously authorized by its board of directors on Aug. 15, 1990.

During October 1990 the company reached another milestone when it opened its 500th store. As of this date, it has 502 stores in operation with another 12 scheduled to open before the end of November 1990.

The Dress Barn, Inc., operates a chain of off-price women's apparel stores, from coast to coast, offering moderate to better quality fashion apparel, primarily with national brand names, at substantial discounts from department store prices.

CONTACT: Michael Palmer, executive vice president of Dress Barn, 203-327-4242

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#90302p0639 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

LARGO, FL (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nokia Group, a worldwide telecommunications technology pioneer, has reported a 36.7 percent increase in

profits for the first eight months of 1990 on net sales of $3.791 billion.

Earnings for the first eight months total $179.2 million compared with $131.1 million a year ago. Earnings per share totaled 82 cents during the 1990 period compared with 47 cents a year earlier.

Nokia Group's net sales were virtually constant in U.S. currency, increasing from $3.733 billion a year earlier (FIM 13.937 billion in January-August 1990 compared with FIM 13.726 billion in January-August 1989).

Nokia Mobile Phones, with U.S. operations headquartered in Largo, Fla., showed a 58.7 percent net sales increase from January through August 1990 compared with a year earlier, increasing to $408.2 million from $257 million in consolidated net sales worldwide.

Nokia said its economic outlook for the balance of the year will remain constant with last year.

In its mobile phone business, Nokia said production has been increased substantially with its new Nokia Cityman 100 pocket telephone showing significant success in Europe and the Far East. In May, Nokia was awarded a $16.3 million contract for pocket phones in Thailand. The Italian telecoms authority, SIP, also placed a substantial follow-up order for pocket phones.

A new handportable phone -- the PT612 -- was launched in the U.S. market last month. Nokia will sell more pagers in 1990 than in any previous year, with sales especially strong in the United States, Sweden and France. Central Europe pager sales have been accelerating, especially in Hungary, Nokia reported.

During the first nine months of this year, Nokia Telecommunications results were stable and the positive trend in Nokia Consumer Electronics begun in the last third of 1989 continued. Nokia Consumer Electronics results traditionally are concentrated in the final third of the year due to seasonality of that market segment. Nokia Data, showing weaker results, is undergoing a major revision to improve profitability, the company said. Nokia Cable and Machinery business group results were stable compared with a year ago, and Basic Industries reported slightly lower results when structural changes were accounted for. Sales in both Cable and Machinery, and Basic Industries have improved.

Liquidity remained good, totaling $843 million Nokia reported. Nokia, Finland's largest publicly traded industrial enterprise, employs 37,500 people worldwide. It has 160 subsidiaries in Finland and abroad, and has manufacturing facilities in 15 countries including the United States.

Nokia shares are listed in Helskini, Stockholm, London, Paris and and Frankfurt. In the U.S. shares can be purchased through the ADR program.

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#90302p0645 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The sale of the architectural coatings business from DeSoto, Inc. (NYSE: DSO), to The Sherwin-Williams Company (NYSE: SHW), which was announced in July, became effective at midnight, Oct. 26, 1990. The purchase price was not disclosed.

The announcement, made by Conway G. Ivy, vice president and treasurer of The Sherwin-Williams Company, said the sale includes certain existing plants and physical assets and all private label architectural business including sales to major retailers such as Sears and Home Depot. The Sherwin-Williams Company had previously entered into a supply agreement with Sears which became effective on completion of the purchase of DeSoto's architectural coatings business.

The DeSoto plants purchased by the company are located in Columbus, Ohio; Greensboro, N.C.; Orlando, Fla. and Chicago Heights, Ill. In a separate agreement immediately following the close of the transaction, the Chicago Heights facility was sold to the Rohm and Haas Company, based in Philadelphia. In addition to the employees directly related to the facilities acquired by The Sherwin-Williams Company, an additional 50 people will be transferring to The Sherwin-Williams Company.

This acquisition will benefit existing and future customers of DeSoto and The Sherwin-Williams Company, according to Jack Breen, chairman and CEO of Sherwin-Williams.

"It will increase our ability to service the do-it-yourself market through quality external distribution channels," Breen said.

The marketing responsibility of the new acquisition will report to Scott King, vice president of sales and marketing of the consumer division, which includes Dutch Boy, Dutch Boy Kem-Tone, Martin-Senour, and various private labels.

DeSoto has been the exclusive paint supplier to Sears, Roebuck and Co. The company has been supplying paint to Sears since 1910 when it was founded as a wholly owned subsidiary and operated as such until 1956. DeSoto also supplies private label paint to other significant retailers in the do-it-yourself market. DeSoto's revenues from the U.S. consumer paint operations in 1989 were approximately $175 million.

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#90302p0646 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Mizlou Communications Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: MZLUL, MZLU), today announced that it has sold the remaining $925,000 balance of a $3 million private placement Series B 12 percent secured notes commenced in September 1990. The notes are due on Nov. 30, 1990, or earlier under certain circumstances. A portion of the 3 million Series B Notes is convertible into 3 million shares of Mizlou Common Stock.

The company's Mizlou Sports News Network (SNN) is the nation's first and only 24-hour, seven-day-a-week sports cable news network. On the air since Feb. 1, 1990, Mizlou has signed affiliation agreements in 15 of the top 20 major television markets, and has signed advertising agreements with 35 major sponsors.

CONTACT: Mark Wentzel, chief financial officer of Mizlou Communications, 212-244-3750; or Alex Ross or Susan Sherman of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Mizlou Communications

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#90302p0649 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, NY (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Pratt & Lambert, Inc. (AMEX: PM) today reported third-quarter net sales of $62,564,000, down slightly from $63,046,000 in 1989. Net income for the period was $2,239,000, an increase of 13.3 percent from $1,976,000 reported last year. Earnings per share increased 18.2 percent to 39 cents from 33 cents in 1989, calculated on approximately 5 percent fewer average shares outstanding in the 1990 period, due to stock acquired under a repurchase program announced in September 1989.

For the nine month ended Sept. 30, net sales were $187,368,000, compared with $189,117,000 last year. Net income declined 9.8 percent to $5,276,000 from $5,852,000 in 1989. Earnings per share were down 4.2 percent to 91 cents from 95 cents a year ago. Average shares outstanding in the first nine months of 1990 and 1989 were 5,741,041 and 6,061,831, respectively.

R.D. Stevens Jr., chairman of the paint, coatings and adhesives manufacturer, said that the third-quarter earnings gain primarily reflected successful cost containment efforts and price adjustments. "Despite soft demand in several markets, improved profit margins were apparent in nearly all product categories comprising our lines of architectural finishes, industrial and specialty products, thereby further narrowing the year-to-date earnings shortfall from 1989," he added.

According to Pratt & Lambert's president, J.J. Castiglia, the favorable expense comparison in the third quarter was largely the result of more

effective utilization of the company's resources. "Steps to redeploy and consolidate responsibility for various sales and manufacturing functions are beginning to bear fruit," he added.

Castiglia also noted that, although raw material costs in 1990 had stabilized, recent events in the Persian Gulf have created uncertainty in the market for oil-related materials. "As a means to recover cost increases associated with the petroleum situation, we are applying surcharges to the prices of products that contain vulnerable materials," he noted.

While the company's outlook continues to be positive, Stevens said that the industry faces a number of domestic economic variables that did not exist earlier this year; "We have, nevertheless, attempted to prepare ourselves for contingencies that may arise."

CONTACT: Joseph J. Castiglia, president of Pratt & Lambert, 716-873-6000

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#90302p0652 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hallwood Group Incorporated (NYSE: HWG) today reported results for the fiscal fourth quarter and year ended July 31.

Revenue for the quarter was $22.4 million, compared to $15.8 million a year ago. The net loss for the quarter was $4.5 million, or 74 cents per share, against a loss of $1.8 million, or 33 cents per share, in the 1989 quarter.

For the year, revenue was $83.7 million, including a full year of textile products operations, vs. $30.6 million the year before. The net loss for 1990 was $4.9 million, or 82 cents per share. In 1989 the net loss was $11.4 million or $2.38 per share.

Following is a discussion of a full-year performance: Financial services operations earned $1.3 million on revenue of $4.3 million, including $3.7 million of fees primarily for consulting services and credit facilities to affiliated companies. Financial services revenues also included interest and discounts from mortgage loans and income or loss from investments in affiliates. In 1989, financial services lost $11.7 million on revenues of $5.4 million, primarily due to an $11.6 million write-off of its investment in Alliance Bancorporation.

Boosted by rentals from the completed office-retail property in the United Kingdom and the recently acquired Holiday Inn-Lido Beach Hotel in Sarasota, Fla., real estate revenues increased to $4.8 million from $2.1 million in 1989. Operating expenses, interest expenses and depreciation associated with these properties, however, reduced performance of real estate operations to a loss of $802,000, compared to a loss of $169,000 in 1989.

For the first full year of textile products operations, revenue was $70.5 million, and the business produced $722,000 in pre-tax earnings during 1990.

Hallwood Energy Corporation, in which Hallwood owned a 38 percent equity interest for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 then increased its stake to 51 percent, contributed $2.4 million to Hallwood's revenues. After administrative and other expenses incurred in acquiring and consolidating interests in a number of oil and gas limited partnerships, Hallwood Energy achieved a profit of $43,000.

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#90302p0653 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S) salutes "Women in the 90s" - and highlights its new focus on women's fashions - as sole advertiser in a special 88-page issue of Time magazine available today.

Quality fashion for women's changing roles is a key element of 30 pages of Sears advertising, with products and services as well as apparel for diversified lifestyles.

Mailed to Time's paid circulation of four million at the same time as the regular weekly magazine, the issue is a single-focus editorial publication undertaken by Time.

"We recognize a woman's changing needs and we're changing to meet those needs " said Matthew A. Howard, senior vice president, marketing, Sears Merchandise Group. "Women are a major force in the marketplace and we want to show the female shopper that Sears is relevant to her and to her lifestyle."

Louis A. Weil III, U.S. publisher of Time magazine, emphasized the uniqueness of the special issue. "Cover to cover, the publication deals solely with women's issues in our regular sections - Nation and World, On the Job, Family and Behavior." It is estimated by Weil that the issue, available at newsstands will be read by more than 23 million Americans.

Fashion emphasis by Sears in the special issue is appropriate to its new power format strategy of developing superstores-within-stores and including numerous brands. The Women's Store is one of the focused businesses developing nationwide within Sears stores. It offers casual, formal and office attire as well as shoes, hosiery, and accessories.

In addition to world-class models, six women who help guide and implement fashion direction at Sears are featured in the Time issue. They include two national merchandise managers, a buyer, a divisional merchandise manager, a regional business manager and a store manager.

"Sears new fashion philosophy makes shopping easier for women," said Lee Hogan Cass, national fashion merchandise director for Sears. "There's more careful selection and more month-to-month, season-to-season focus on the newest, most-becoming colors - the best looks edited from the market or developed by Sears."

Involvement by women in diverse interests is part of the magazine's "new woman" message. Sears Merchandise Group businesses represented in the special issue include Brand Central for home appliances and electronics, Craftsman/Home and Yard Center for home improvements, Homelife for home fashions and fine furniture, and the Tire and Auto Center.

References also are made to the SearsCharge Bonus Club, which rewards credit customers for their business, Sears catalog operation, and the Allstate Insurance Group.

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#90302p0657 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Turner Corporation (AMEX: TUR), America's leading general builder, was honored with an Exemplary Voluntary Effort (EVE) Award for its unwavering commitment to equal opportunity for women and minorities in the workforce. The award was presented by Secretary of Labor Elizabeth Dole on Oct. 23. The EVE awards, initiated in 1983 by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Program, recognize outstanding organizations which advance the concept of affirmative action through innovative and original plans to increase job opportunities for minorities, women, individuals with disabilities and Vietnam-era and certain disabled veterans.

Turner's involvement in Equal Opportunity Employment (EEO) began in the 1960s, when the company started offering construction management seminars for women and minorities. These seminars, which continue today, are wholly funded by Turner and are available to any person or business who wishes to compete and work in the construction industry. In addition, Turner is aggressively confronting the challenges of Workforce 2000 through its Youthforce 2000 program, its participation in the Inroads Scholarship Program and its extensive college recruitment efforts.

Hilton O. Smith, Turner's corporate director of Equal Employment Opportunity, commented, "We are thrilled to receive this prestigious award. At Turner we believe that a company's EEO commitment promotes jobs, integrity, good will and, above all, an opportunity for people to work and live together in a harmonious state."

The Turner Corporation, through Turner Construction Company and other construction subsidiaries, is the nation's largest builder of commercial, industrial, hospital and health care, institutional, government building and multi-unit housing projects. Operating through more than 34 offices, Turner has construction projects under way throughout the United States and abroad.

During 1989, The Turner Corporation completed $3.6 billion of construction.

CONTACT: Beverly Benn of Turner, 212-878-0498.

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#90302p0658 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MICH. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - International Controls Corp. has extended the expiration date of its exchange offer to its debenture holders from 5 p.m. Oct. 30, 1990, to 5 p.m. Nov. 13, 1990. As of 5 p.m. on Oct. 25, 1990, $5,741,000 of the subordinated discount debentures and $4,000 of the 12-3/4 percent debentures had been tendered. Debentureholders who desire further information about the committee may contact Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., senior managing director of Rothschild Inc., 212-757-6000.

CONTACT: Kevin Hanley of International Controls Corp., 616-343-6121; or Marisa Heine or William Catacosinos of D.F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for International Controls

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#90302p0660 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

WORCESTER, MA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Alpha-Beta Technology, Inc. has been awarded a patent by the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office for Fibercel(tm), its yeast-derived dietary fiber. Two different forms of Fibercel have demonstrated significant commercial potential: one as a drug to lower cholesterol, and another as a fat substitute in foods.

"The patent provides us with an extremely strong competitive position as we move forward to commercialize Fibercel," said Spiros Jamas, Sc.D., president of Alpha-Beta and a co-inventor on the patent.

"Our development work to date indicates that Fibercel combines a high level of cholesterol-lowering activity and the implied safety of natural fibers with important advantages in palatability and formulation." Fibercel is currently undergoing preclinical development for the pharmaceutical application and food formulation studies for use as a fat substitute.

Dr. Jamas added, "The patent is part of Alpha-Beta's growing portfolio of patents covering the company's products and technology based on carbohydrate engineering." Currently, Alpha-Beta owns or has exclusive rights to three issued and 14 pending U.S. patents.

The patent (U.S. Patent No. 4,962,094) covers the dietary and cholesterol-lowering applications of complex carbohydrates, called whole beta-glucans, derived from yeast. Fibercel consists of highly purified whole beta-glucans, which are the primary structural components of the yeast cell wall.

Related glucans are the cholesterol-lowering components of dietary fibers such as oat bran and psyllium. However, Fibercel contains approximately 90 percent beta-glucan compared with eight to ten percent in oat bran.

In addition to Dr. Jamas, the co-inventors are D. Davidson Easson Jr., executive vice president of Alpha-Beta, and Bruce R. Bistrian, M.D./Ph.D., associate professor of medicine and attending physician at the Cancer Research Institute, New England Deaconess Hospital, Harvard Medical School.

Alpha-Beta Technology, Inc. is developing patentable carbohydrate-based products for the health care industry through the application of carbohydrate engineering.

The company's major products in development include Fibercel, a cholesterol-lowering agent and fat substitute, Betafectin(tm) for the treatment of hospital infections, and Adjuvax(tm), a novel vaccine adjuvant and delivery vehicle. Alpha-Beta's headquarters, laboratory and pilot production facilities are located in Worcester, Mass.

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#90302p0661 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - National Gypsum Company today announced financial results for the three and nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Third quarter net revenues were $326.2 million, compared with $348.3 million for the same quarter last year. Operating income for the three months was $2.5 million, compared with $16.4 million during the same period in 1989. A net loss of $22.7 million occurred during this year's third quarter, compared with a loss of $2.5 million in 1989 which included a gain of $10.6 million from open-market debt purchases. Net cash provided by continuing operations was $22.2 million, compared with $41.0 million in last year's third quarter.

For the nine months, net revenues were $991.8 million, compared with $1.0 billion in the first nine months of 1989. Operating income for the nine months was $17.0 million, compared with $50.6 million for the same period last year. The company incurred a net loss of $53.2 million for the nine months,

compared with a loss of $27.6 million during last year's first nine months. This year's results included a gain of $6.9 million from open-market debt purchases, while last year's results for the nine months included a gain of $11.3 million from debt purchases. Net cash provided by continuing operations was $28.9 million, compared with $53.5 million last year.

Peter C. Browning, newly-elected president and chief executive officer, said that the declines in net revenues, operating income, and net cash provided by continuing operations, and the increase in net loss resulted primarily from a 7 percent decrease in average wallboard prices, compared with the same period last year. Browning also noted that billings by The Austin Company, though down slightly from last year's third quarter, remain near record levels.

Earlier today, National Gypsum and its parent, privately-held Aancor Holdings, Inc., announced that they had filed on Oct. 28, 1990, voluntary petitions for protection under Chapter 11 in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division. The Austin Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of National Gypsum, was not included in the filing.

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#90302p0663 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Ryland Group, Inc. (NYSE: RYL) today reported a decline in earnings for the third quarter of 1990.

Net earnings for the quarter were $5.8 million, a 47 percent decrease compared to 1989's third quarter. Primary earnings per share or the third quarter were $.41 (fully diluted: $.38) compared to $.80 (fully diluted: $.73) in 1989.

Consolidated revenues for the third quarter were $334.1 million, a 9 percent decrease from the same period last year.

Ryland Building Company settled 2,113 homes during the third quarter of 1990, a 14 percent decrease from the same period last year.

New orders decreased 35 percent from 1989's third quarter. The dollar volume of outstanding contracts decreased 35 percent compared to Sept. 30, 1989.

Revenues for the financial services segment increased 32 percent, primarily due to increases in mortgage and bond servicing and favorable interest rate spreads.

"We recognize that we must operate our business successfully in what are currently very changeable times," said Ryland Chairman and CEO C.E. "Ted" Peck. "Although we do not look for a turnaround in the near future, we

believe that our conservative operating and financial strategies, including our regional diversification and our limited investment in land, will serve us well in the long term."

Peck added that Roger W. Schipke, currently president of The Ryland Group, has taken on full responsibility for the company's operations. Schipke will be named Ryland's chief executive officer at year-end.

The Ryland Group, one of the nation's largest homebuilders, is headquartered in Columbia, Md.

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DES MOINES, IOWA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - John E. Evans, Allied Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALGR) board chairman and president, today announced third quarter fully diluted earnings per share of $0.48 compared with $0.44 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. "Though year-to-date earnings per share were down to $1.12 from $1.43 because of unprecedented storm losses, we were pleased with our third quarter performance," stated Evans.

Allied Group, Inc., a regional holding company which generates 73 percent of its revenues through property-casualty subsidiaries, was indeed hard hit by storms. The associated losses net of reinsurance for the Allied pool totaled $21.4 million by Sept. 30, 1990, reducing earnings per share by $1.11. In the first nine months of 1989, storm claims cost only $0.30 per share.

The Allied pool's statutory combined ratio, the measure which weighs premiums against losses and expenses to quantify underwriting profitability, was 108.0 year-to-date. The company's share of the underwriting loss (on a generally accepted accounting principles basis) for the third quarter alone was $3.9 million.

Evans attributed improved quarterly earnings per share to the following: -- Completion of a restructuring earlier this quarter lowered the number of weighted average shares and allowed more favorable rates for financing the employees stock ownership plan.

-- The $761,000 reserve held to cover potential liability under California's Proposition 103 was eliminated. Though calculations at the beginning of the year indicated the company owed no rollbacks, the reserve was held until September as protection against a court challenge of the regulation on which the calculations were based.

-- The company's mortgage subsidiary and data processing segment generated significant operating income.

Revenues from continuing operations for the third quarter were $77.8 million, up 44 percent from the same quarter a year ago. The major contributors were property-casualty premiums and investment income. Both were enhanced by the January 1990 increase in the property-casualty subsidiaries' participation in the Allied pool to 53 percent up from last year's 41 percent.

Third quarter property-casualty earned premiums were up 38 percent to $50.2 million. Direct written premiums for the entire pool were up 8 percent.

Investment income was $6.0 million, up 70 percent from third quarter, 1989. The jump was due primarily to the increase in invested assets resulting from the pooling change. As of Sept. 30, invested assets totaled $292.1 million, up from $84.9 million from year-end 1989.

The company's net income from continuing operations for the quarter was $3.4 million; for the nine months it was $6.1 million. In 1989, third quarter net income was $2.2 million, and nine-month net income was $7.5 million.

"Fully diluted book value per share is a key measure of financial soundness of any public insurance company," said Evans. At Sept. 30, Allied Group, Inc.'s book value was $18.46, up $1.52 from midyear and $1.88 from year-end.

ALLIED GROUP
Segment Information
(Unaudited)

Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
REVENUES (A)		
Property-casualty	$163,986,897	$119,976,930
Excess & surplus lines	16,776,020	13,652,570
Investment services	15,702,207	14,202,777
Data processing	14,927,619	12,720,787
Eliminations & other	12,904,514	(3,393,313)
Total	224,297,257	157,159,751
OPERATING PROFIT (B)		
Property-casualty	5,487,513	7,426,858
Excess-& surplus lines	2,411,597	2,487,877
Investment services	1,042,455	(80,972)
Data processing	906,826	2,219,374
Eliminations & other (C)	(2,216,317)	(1,120,709)
Total	7,632,074	10,932,428
ASSETS		
Property-casualty	350,313,874	247,249,755
Excess & surplus lines	51,160,999	36,024,219
Investment services	56,539,021	60,009,078
Data processing	9,602,497	6,954,150
Eliminations & other	(26,855,070)	10,271,154
Total	440,761,321	360,508,356 (A)

Includes realized investment gain or loss. (B) Represents income from continuing operations before income taxes. (C) Includes non-operating interest expense of $1,658,661 in 1990 and $827,299 in 1989.

ALLIED GROUP
Summarized Income Statement
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended Sept. 30		Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	77,820,664	54,049,269	224,297,257	157,159,751
Inc. from cont. oper. before income taxes	4,237,743	3,118,038	7,632,074	10,932,428
Income taxes	853,101	930,694	1,533,405	3,419,630
Income from cont. operations	3,384,642	2,187,344	6,098,669	7,512,798
Income from discont. operations (net of inc. taxes)	--	805,525	1,789,384	2,180,282
Net income	3,384,642	2,992,869	7,888,053	9,693,080
Net inc. applicable to common stock	2,700,875	2,992,869	7,200,198	9,693,080
EARNINGS PER SHARE: Primary				
Inc. from cont. oper.	.63	.32	.89	1.11
Inc. from discont. oper.	--	.12	.30	.32
Net income	.63	.44	1.19	1.43
Fully diluted				
Inc. from cont. oper.	.48	.32	.86	1.11
Inc. from discont. oper.	--	.12	.26	.32
Net income	.48	.44	1.12	1.43

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Trust Company of the West (TCW) has promoted Philip A. Barach and Sheldon Stone to managing directors of the firm.

Barach joined TCW in 1987 and has served as senior vice president for mortgage backed securities and specialized cash. Prior to joining TCW, he was senior vice president and chief of investments for Sun Life Insurance Co. and previously served as the head of fixed income investments for the State of California Retirement System. He holds a bachelor of arts degree in international relations and a masters degree in finance from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Stone was previously senior vice president of the High Yield Department, a position he has held since joining TCW in 1985. He also performed credit analysis and managed high yield assets for Citibank and was director of corporate finance for Prudential Life Insurance Co. He received a bachelor of arts degree from Bowdoin College and a masters in business administration from Columbia University.

Trust Company of the West, headquartered in Los Angeles, is among the West's largest independent trust companies, with approximately $20 billion currently under management.

CONTACT: Thomas E. Larkin of the Trust Company of the West, 213-683-4000

-30- 1456

#90302p0668 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKY MOUNT, N.C. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Centura Banks Inc. announced today that its stock has been approved for listing on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE).

Using the symbol "CBC," Centura Banks stock will begin trading on the Big Board on November 5, 1990, the day Centura begins operation.

Centura is the new bank holding company formed for the upcoming merger of Peoples Bancorporation (AMEX: PBK) and The Planters Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: PNBT). Peoples stock currently trades on the American Stock Exchange, and Planters trades on NASDAQ.

"The financial advantages of Centura stock for our stockholders and potential investors will be enhanced by joining the New York Stock Exchange," said J. Richard Futrell Jr., Centura's chairman and chief executive officer. "We expect this listing to result in broader stock ownership, greater liquidity and wider recognition in the financial community."

The New York Stock Exchange is the largest securities market in the United States, representing nore than 84 percent of the total capitalization of the U.S. equity market. Most major bank holding companies are members.

Centura Banks Inc. will have more than 11,000 stockholders owning approximately 15 million shares of stock. With assets of more than $2.6 billion, Centura Banks will rank as the seventh largest bank holding company in North Carolina and among the 200 largest banking companies in America. Its subsidiaries, Centura Bank, Mid-South Bank and Watauga Savings, will have 116 banking offices in 63 North Carolina Communities.

CONTACT: Frank L. Pattillo, Chief Financial Officer, Centura Banks, Inc., 919-977-8341

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#90302p0673 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Rohm and Haas Co. (NYSE: ROH) and Sherwin-Williams Co. (NYSE: SHW) announced today that Rohm and Haas has completed the purchase of the Chicago Heights, Ill., manufacturing facility formerly owned by DeSoto Inc.

The transaction immediately followed the Sherwin-Williams Co.'s purchase of the Consumer Paint business of DeSoto Inc., which included the Chicago Heights plant.

The Chicago Heights facility manufactures both paint and latex emulsion polymers. Rohm and Haas will continue to produce latex emulsions at the site. Sherwin-Williams will continue to operate the paint production operation for a period of time.

Terms of the sale were not disclosed.

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#90302p0674 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Kinnard Investments, Inc. today announced that the third quarter of 1990 produced revenues of $3.8 million and a loss of $.24 per share compared to last year's $5.1 million in revenue and a profit of $.04 per share.

The revenues for the first three quarters of 1990 were $14.2 million resulting in a loss of $46,000 versus $14.7 million and a profit of $95,000 in the same period in 1989.

Robert R. Martin, CEO, said revenues for the third quarter were down 25.5 percent compared to the third quarter of 1989, and down 3.7 percent for the first three quarters of 1990 versus 1989.

Expenses during the third quarter of 1990 were down 5.6 percent compared to the same period in 1989, and down approximately 2.4 percent for the first three quarters of 1990 versus 1989.

Despite the bearish market, the company placed 1,135,000 shares of Ringer Corporation on Sept. 19, 1990, resulting in an increase in corporate security underwriting revenue.

Kinnard Investments is the parent of John G. Kinnard and Company, Incorporated

a Minneapolis-based regional securities firm with offices in 28 cities, and trades on NASDAQ under the symbol KINN.

KINNARD INVESTMENTS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$3,761,946	$5,050,408	$14,182,272	$14,727,567
Net (loss)	$(557,081)	$68,744	$(46,320)	$94,553
Income (loss) EPS	$(.24)	$.04	$(.02)	$.05
Shares outstanding (weighted average)	2,269,201	1,960,794	2,269,201	1,960,794

CONTACT: Robert R. Martin of Kinnard Investments, 612-370-2882.

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#90302p0676 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA ANA, CA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Ingram Micro D announced record third quarter sales for the period ending Sept. 30, 1990. For the third quarter, the company had sales of $367,000,000, a 54 percent increase over the third quarter of 1989, when Ingram Micro D achieved sales of $238,900,000.

For the first three quarters of the 1990 calendar year, Ingram Micro D's sales were $1,026,300,000, representing a 45 percent increase over the same period for 1989 when sales were $709,900,000.

Chip Lacy, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Our company executed nearly flawlessly in the third quarter. We've never served our reseller customers better. As a result of this exceptional execution, resellers have rewarded us with a substantial increase in business."

"Sales were very strong in both hardware and software segments of our business " said David Dukes, president and chief operating officer. "Domestically our third quarter sales grew 46 percent over the last year to give Ingram Micro D approximately a 25 percent market share of all products sold through U.S. microcomputer distributors."

Finally, Lacy noted, "If there is an industry slowdown in progress, IMD has not experienced it. The company has captured marketshare around the world, and its growth has more than doubled industry growth rates both domestically and internationally."

The microcomputer distribution business has grown faster than the microcomputer market in general worldwide, as both vendors and resellers opt for the logistical comfort provided by distributors. The U.S. distribution market has grown at least 20 percent over the past quarter, and the international market has experienced a higher rate of growth.

Ingram Micro D's management continues to be optimistic about sales for the remainder of the calendar year and into 1991 because of the flow of new product into the marketplace and the underlying sales strength observed in the past quarter.

Though a private company, Ingram Micro D follows the practice of making its quarterly sales results public to assist vendors and the financial community in tracking the growth of the microcomputer marketplace.

Ingram Micro D Inc. is the world's largest distributor of microcomputer hardware, software, peripherals, and accessories, marketing and distributing more than 8,000 products from over 500 of the world's top developers.

CONTACT: Linwood A. (Chip) Lacy Jr., or David R. Dukes of Ingram Micro D Inc., (714) 540-4781.

-30- 2698

#90302p0681 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRYN MAWR, PA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Philadelphia Suburban Corp. (NYSE: PSC) today approved payment of the company's regular common stock quarterly dividend to shareholders.

The dividend of $.25 per share will be paid Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 13.

Philadelphia Suburban Corp. operates Philadelphia Suburban Water Co., one of the nation's largest investor-owned water utilities, as well as four nonregulated operating subsidiaries that provide information and engineering services mainly to utility and municipal customers.

CONTACT: Patricia M. Mycek of Philadelphia Suburban, 215-645-1013

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#90302p0683 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Quebecor Printing Inc., the largest commercial printing company in Canada and Torstar Corporation, publisher of the Toronto Star, Canada's largest daily newspaper, have reached an agreement in principle for the purchase by Quebecor Printing Inc. of the commercial heatset printing assets of Metroland located in Scarborough, Ontario.

The combined plants will comprise the largest heatset flyer capacity in Canada and will be in line with the standards and requirements of the North America Market Place. The plants will continue to specialize in the printing of full color retail inserts, but will now have the size and structure necessary to better serve the needs of the large Canadian retail market. They will also give Quebecor the strength to take advantage of opportunities available in the

United States.

Charles G. Cavell, president and chief operating officer of Quebecor Printing Inc., stated that "this acquisition is a coming together, of the two top companies in this market, from a quality and service point of view, to form a single entity that is better equipped to support the requirements of the large community of retailers in Canada."

Quebecor Printing Inc., the second largest printing company in North America with annual revenues of over $1.5 billion, is a subsidiary of Quebecor Inc. (AMEX: PQB) listed on the Toronto, Montreal and American Stock Exchanges.

CONTACT: Charles G. Cavell, president of Quebecor Printing Inc., 514-954-0101; or John Baxter of Metroland Printing, Publishing and Distributing, 416-279-0441

-30- 1759

#90302p0684 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Vantage Point Energy Inc. (NASDAQ: VPEI) today announced that it has signed a definitive agreement for the acquisition of a substantial interest in a waterflood unit in New Mexico. Vantage Point will operate the property and estimates total net proved reserves to be 834,000 barrels of oil with current daily net production of 130 barrels per day. There are 63 producing oil wells in the waterflood unit.

The property is being acquired for cash from a major energy company. The amount of the acquisition and the percent of interest purchased was not disclosed. Vantage Point has been negotiating the agreement for several months, although the purchase price was agreed upon prior to the recent increase in oil prices. The closing of the acquisition is subject to acceptance of title and other due diligence, and is expected to be closed by Dec. 31, 1990.

S. Lee Crawley, president, said, "The acquisition more than replaces our energy equivalent production for 1990 and fits in nicely with our other waterflood operations."

Vantage Point Energy Inc. is a financially oriented, independent oil and gas company headquartered in Tulsa. Its business involves the acquisition, development and production of oil and gas. It also manages properties for other companies and institutions. The company's business plan is to grow through the acquisition of properties and/or companies in exchange for cash and/or securities while continuing to operate and develop existing oil and gas properties.

CONTACT: S. Lee Crawley of Vantage Point Energy Inc., 918-664-2100

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#90302p0685 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN DIEGO (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Price Company (NASDAQ: PCLB) announced today that its wholly owned Canadian subsidiary, Priceus Holdings Inc., has acquired the remaining 50 percent interest in Price Club Canada Inc. from Steinberg Inc. as of Oct. 25, 1990.

Price Club Canada is engaged in the cash and carry warehouse membership business operating seven warehouses in the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario. An additional warehouse is scheduled to open on Nov. 7, 1990, in Province of Ontario.

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#90302p0686 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The LTV Corporation today reported a $30.4 million net loss for the third quarter of 1990, compared with net income of $85.7 million in the third quarter of last year.

A significant decline in operating results, lower interest earnings and a reduction in other income contributed to the net loss. The year- earlier quarter included $42 million of nonrecurring other income from an investment in a stainless steel producing company, as well as higher interest income. LTV sold its investment in this company in the second quarter of 1990.

LTV's third quarter operating loss was $33.9 million, compared with operating income of $37.4 million in the same period of 1989. The operating loss reflected lower results at LTV Steel caused by higher labor, retiree health care benefits and other manufacturing costs, and lower average selling prices and volume. In addition, LTV's Sierra Research Division, an electronics and avionics unit of the missiles and electronics group, experienced increases in projected costs on a number of fixed-price contracts.

Consolidated third quarter sales declined to $1.45 billion from $1.51 billion a year earlier. Sales declines in the missiles and electronics and the steel groups were partially offset by increased sales at the aircraft products and energy products groups.

For the first nine months of 1990, LTV's net income was $90.4 million, compared with $192.6 million in the same period of 1989. Operating income declined to $47.4 million from $129.6 million, principally reflecting higher costs at LTV Steel and increases in projected costs on certain fixed-price contracts at Sierra Research. The prior year also included a special charge of $30 million for the write-down of costs associated with a facility designed to produce composite materials. Interest income in 1990 declined by $13.2

million, reflecting both lower invested cash balances and interest rates.

Consolidated sales for the first nine months of 1990 decreased to $4.53 billion from $4.78 billion in the 1989 period. Steel group sales declined by $156 million, and missiles and electronics group sales decreased by $179 million.

LTV's financial results during the first nine months of 1990 continued to benefit from the deferral of interest, pension and other costs while the company operates under the protection of Chapter 11. These benefits have been partially offset by the effect of LTV's early adoption in 1988 of a new accounting standard which recognizes the liability and related expenses for postemployment medical and life insurance obligations on an accrual basis. This standard is expected to be required of all companies commencing in 1993, however, at present LTV is the only major steel or aerospace company following this practice.

As of Sept. 30, LTV's cash and cash equivalents totaled $971 million, compared with $1.02 billion at the end of 1989. The company had available credit of approximately $472 million under revolving bank agreements.

LTV is a diversified manufacturing company involved in steel, aerospace/defense and energy products.

CONTACT: Jim Bowman of LTV, 214-979-7981

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#90302p0688 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

FREMONT, CA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Grid Systems today announced the availability of a new light pen that lets users working on VGA-compatible desktop PCs to enter data with a light pen and share applications developed for field use with the GridPad(R) handheld computer. The GridPad, a clipboard-sized computer with no keyboard, is the only American-made computer that recognizes handwriting.

The FT-1210 and FT-1215 Light Pen packages, including interface board and GridPen interface software, are manufactured by FTG Data Systems of Stanton, Calif.

"Now, a company's internal personnel using the new light pen have the same flexible data entry capabilities as do their people using GridPad in the field " said Ken Dulaney, Grid's director of advanced systems marketing.

"In addition," noted Dulaney, "software developers designing GridPad applications now can work in exactly the same computing environment as their users. Knowing first hand how an end user will interact with an application can significantly improve the overall development effort."

The GridPad pen-and-display computer, introduced in 1989, provides fast and accurate data entry capabilities to those performing functions that require time-critical information gathering in an outdoor or mobile environment.

Applications typically appear as graphical "forms" on the screen, requiring quick selection on multiple-choice options and some level of handwritten data entry. The pen allows users to select options by touching the appropriate graphical element and to enter other data by writing it out on the screen.

Software developers, or Grid Marketing Partners, are currently using the Application Programming Interface (API) provided by Grid to develop applications for such areas as market research surveys, government and industry safety inspections, police accident reports and product inventory management.

"Broadening personal computer applications requires a variety of input and output devices as well as a variety of computing platforms," commented Donna Clark, vice president of marketing and sales of FTG Data Systems. "We designed the FT-1210 and FT-1215 packages to provide an application bridge, letting companies take advantage of GridPad's flexibility while maximizing their investment in 286 and 386-based computers.

Grid is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tandy Corp. (NYSE: TAN), Fort Worth, Texas. Tandy is a leading manufacturer and distrubutor of consumer electronics and computers. A New York Stock Exchange company, Tandy has sales in excess of $4 billion annually.

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#90302p0691 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Ogden Corporation (NYSE: OG) announced today that its Fairfax, Va.-based subsidiary, OGDEN/ERC Government Systems, was awarded by the state of Texas a contract to produce an automated information system for its State-wide Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC).

The contract is valued at $650K over 14 months.

For the Texas Department of Health, Bureau of WIC Nutrition, OGDEN/ERC will design and develop the WIC system along with data base management, communications software products and ongoing support services. This system will allow faster, greater productivity in conducting, tracking and managing WIC activities at the state's clinics and clinic headquarters, including managing clinic schedules, administering and recording assistance benefits,

communicating between state/regional/local health departments and financial management. OGDEN/ERC will integrate optical-digital tracking and identification, interactive data base, computer networking and telecommunications technologies into the new system's capabilities.

OGDEN/ERC Government Systems serves government and industry in the defense and space technologies, software and systems engineering, and engineering and support services markets worldwide. OGDEN/ERC is a nationally recognized leader in the design, development and implementation of social and health services systems -- providing essential information technology expertise including facilitation of policy evaluation/management studies to examine data and software requirements; modernization of existing software; development of new system solutions; and system maintenance.

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#90302p0697 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

YONKERS, N.Y. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - National HMO Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: NHMO) announced today that net income for the year ended July 31, 1990, was approximately $1,818,000, or $.38 a share, as compared to a net income of approximately $931,000, or $.19 a share, for the year ended July 31, 1989. Revenues for the year ended July 31, 1990, were approximately $14,477,000 as compared to $11,626,000 for the corresponding year ended July 31, 1989.

Net income for the three months ended July 31, 1990, was approximately $511,000, or $.11 a ,share as compared to a net income of approximately $327,000, or $.07 a share, for the three months ended July 31, 1989. Revenues for the quarter ended July 31, 1990, were approximately $4,061,000 as compared to $3,044,000 for the corresponding three-month period of 1989.

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-30- 1056

#90302p0700 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Midway Airlines (NYSE: MDW) and MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) today announced a three-year, $12.4 million agreement for MCI to provide 800 services for the airline's domestic and international reservation system and a variety of specialized customer service applications, including group sales and telemarketing.

In making the announcement, Midway cited the reliability and cost effectiveness of MCI's global network as reasons for the award. Midway is the first major domestic airline to convert its general reservations 800 service to MCI.

"Midway is in the process of restructuring costs in light of the new operating environment in which we compete," said Thomas E. Schick, president and chief operating officer for Midway Airlines. "MCI will provide Midway with cost-effective solutions to our communications requirements while enhancing the reliability of the services available to our customers."

"Midway's selection reflects the reputation that MCI has earned in competitive communications-intensive industries as the most responsive telecommunications provider in the marketplace," said Bert C. Roberts Jr., president and chief operating officer of MCI.

"Midway's confidence in MCI reinforces our leadership capabilities and service options available to the travel industry, which provide increased emphasis on reliability and premier customer service."

The general reservations toll-free number outside Chicago is 800-866-9000. Special service numbers are: Telemarketing 800-866-9888, Group Sales 800-866-9555, French 800-866-9010, and FlyersFirst 800-966-9070. In Chicago, the general reservations number is 312-767-3400.

Midway Airlines offers coast-to-coast service from its hubs at Chicago's close-in Midway Airport and Philadelphia International Airport. Midway Airlines and its wholly owned subsidiary, the Midway Commuter, serve 61 destinations in the United States, Canada, U.S. Virgin Islands and the Bahamas.

MCI provides a full range of telecommunications services to businesses, residences and governmental agencies. The company owns and operates the world's second-largest communications network, employing advanced fiber optics digital microwave, satellite and digital switching technologies.

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-30- 2650

#90302p0706 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, IL (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Public telephone service becomes available today to passengers on Amtrak's New England Express Service between New York City and Boston. The GTE Railfone(R) On-board Telephone Service allows rail passengers to place telephone calls to any location in the world.

GTE Railfone and Amtrak provide the Railfone service to rail travelers through a joint venture. The service is also available on Amtrak's Metroliner Service trains operating between Washington, D.C., and New York City, and the San Diegan Service route operating between Los Angeles and San Diego.

"The Railfone service on Amtrak's New England Express will improve the ability of travelers to keep in touch with business, family, and friends. It can bring

travelers another step closer to matters important in their daily lives, even while on a train," said GTE Railfone Vice President Dia Weil.

"Amtrak passengers have readily accepted the Railfone service on our Metroliner and San Diegan Services making an average of 4,500 calls a week. We fully anticipate that Railfone will be as popular on the New England Express Service and will be seen by passengers as one of the useful amenities found on-board Amtrak service," said Elyse Wander, Amtrak vice president of corporate planning.

Travelers on Amtrak trains equipped with the Railfone service can activate the system with most credit cards or the AT&T Calling Card. After activating the system, the rail traveler simply dials the area code and telephone number. The Railfone service telephones are located in each of the club/dinette cars and at least one coach car per train.

Railfone service users are charged $1.50 per minute, plus a $1.50 set-up fee per call, to place a call anywhere in the United States (including Alaska and Hawaii), Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and Canada. International calls are $4 per minute, plus a $1.50 set-up fee per call. Fractions of minutes are billed at the full-minute rate on all calls, and certain taxes may apply.

GTE Railfone, based here, is a wholly owned subsidiary of GTE Airfone, provider of air-to-ground public telephone service to passengers on domestic commercial aircraft. To date, Amtrak passengers have placed more than 725,000 calls using the Railfone service.

GTE Airfone and GTE Railfone are part of GTE Mobile Communications Group. The group consists of GTE Mobilnet, which provides mobile-cellular telecommunications services and products in 46 metropolitan service areas and nine rural service areas in 13 states, and the National Markets organization, which provides cellular service nationwide.

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-30- 2972

#90302p0707 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - National Education Corp. (NYSE: NEC) today reported a slight loss for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The loss of ($1,286,000) or ($.04) per share for the third quarter compared to a loss of ($6,525,000) or ($.22) per share for the year earlier period. Revenues for the quarter were $95,845,000 compared to $94,211,000 for the same period last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a loss of ($16,097,000) or ($.54) per share compared to a loss of ($1,016,000) or ($.03) per share for the same period last year.

The company reported that it continued to see progress in each of its operations during the third quarter and is particularly pleased with the improved performance of its Applied Learning training subsidiary.

It also reported that its Education Center subsidiary has shown steady improvement in its student retention and in the enrollment of new students. The ICS and Steck-Vaughn subsidiaries have achieved record third quarter earnings and revenues.

A company spokesman said that each of the company's business units recorded improved operating results and revenue performance over the second quarter of 1990, and NEC remains optimistic about its continued recovery during the fourth quarter which historically has been the company's strongest.

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#90302p0708 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Telesphere Communications Inc. (AMEX: TSP) announced today that Judge Milton Shadur of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois had given final approval of the settlement agreement reached with plaintiff's counsel regarding securities litigation filed in the early part of 1989 against the company and certain of its former officers and directors.

Harry Thompson, chairman, stated that current management is pleased with the resolution of this prior issue, and added, "This concludes all material litigation initiated prior to 1989."

Telesphere Communications Inc. is a telephone interexchange carrier that provides long distance, operator, interactive 900 and other enhanced communications services over its all digital, nationwide fiber optic network.

CONTACT: Gregory M. Casey, senior V.P. and general counsel of Telesphere Communications, (708) 954-7700.

-30- 1128

#90302p0712 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - UtiliCorp United (NYSE: UCU) announced today that third quarter net income and primary earnings per common share declined compared with the 1989 period.

UtiliCorp remains on target, however, to achieve record financial results for 1990.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, UtiliCorp reported net income of $10.1 million, compared to $11.3 million in the 1989 period and primary earnings per share of $.35, compared with $.45 in last year's quarter. Operating revenues were $147 million, versus $140 million in the prior third period.

Average common shares outstanding increased from 20.8 million in last year's third quarter to 23.6 million in this year's period. The increase is primarily due to a public offering of 2 million new shares in December 1989.

For the nine-month period this year, net income was $37.9 million and earnings per share were $1.37, compared to net income of $34.4 million and earnings per share of $1.48 in the same period last year. Operating revenues for the first nine months of this year were $574 million, versus $495 million in last year's nine-month period.

Utilicorp Chairman and President Richard C. Green Jr. attributed the decline in third quarter results to the need for electric rate relief at the company's Missouri Public Service division. However, a record year still is anticipated in part because of the favorable resolution of separate electric and gas rate increase requests at Missouri Public Service. Significantly higher earnings contributions from the company's PSI subsidiary and a full year of contributions from UtiliCorp's Michigan Gas Utilities division also should help achieve the record, Green said. Michigan Gas Utilities was acquired in May 1989.

"Once again we're seeing tangible benefits from our diversification strategy," Green said. "We anticipate a record fourth quarter and a third straight record year primarily because of our varied sources of earnings."

On Oct. 5, UtiliCorp received an order from the Missouri Public Service Commission authorizing an electric rate increase of $12.4 million annually, or 6.5 percent. The order was in response to a request to increase electric rates by $25.5 million annually.

On Oct. 23, the Missouri commission authorized a gas rate increase of $4 million annually, or 14.1 percent. The order was in response to a request to increase gas rates by $4.7 million annually.

UtiliCorp's PSI subsidiary is expected to contribute approximately 20 percent of UtiliCorp's total net income this year. In 1989, PSI contributed $5.3 million, or 11 percent of UtiliCorp's total net income.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides electric and gas service to 820,000 customers located in eight states and in British Columbia.

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#90302p0714 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEVELAND (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - BP America today responded to recent media stories regarding cuts in its Cleveland staff, and estimated that the number of employees expected to be terminated in coming months as a result of Project 1990, currently addressing service and support efficiencies, will be well below a hundred.

"Recent stories have relied heavily on rumors and on unidentified and apparently uninformed employees," said BP spokesperson George Jurkowich. "Wild and unsubstantiated guesswork about numbers to be cut, carried in the media, have not only missed the mark, but have been irresponsible," he said.

A project team has been examining the staffing levels and structure of the BP America corporate staff since early August. The team's recommendation to senior management is expected to include the decentralization of many business services to the businesses they support. As a result, a number of employees at corporate staff will be transferred to business units.

"The recommendations have not yet been presented," said Jurkowich. "So we cannot be certain of final outcomes, but the range of cuts implied by careless reporting have clearly been highly exaggerated."

Other reports that BP is relocating its headquarters are without foundation, said the BP spokesperson.

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#90302p0718 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
HENDERSON, N.C. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Lucius H. Harvin, III, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Rose's Stores, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: RSTO) today announced the resignation of Robert G. Kittrell, Jr., from the Company's Board of Directors.

Mr. Kittrell, whose resignation is effective Oct. 31, 1990, has been a member of the Rose's board since 1963.

"Bob Kittrell has not only been a valued member of our Board of Directors for a number of years, he has been a neighbor and a close personal friend for years," said Mr. Harvin. "The Board will miss his sage advice and counsel, and we wish him the very best as he curtails his business career."

While Mr. Kittrell has resigned from the Rose's Board of Directors, he remains "Of Counsel" with the law firm Perry, Kittrell, Blackburn and Blackburn, Rose's general counsel. Accordingly, Mr. Kittrell may retain some indirect

involvement with the Company.

Rose's Stores, Inc. is listed on the NASDAQ Systems for Over-the-Counter Securities under the symbol "RSTO" for the voting common stock, "RSTOB" for the non-voting Class B Stock. The public Company reported annual sales in fiscal 1989 of $1.5 billion.

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HARRISBURG, PA. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Dauphin Deposit Corp. (NASDAQ: DAPN) announced today that its board of directors increased the quarterly dividend rate to $.37 per share from $.35-1/2 per share.

The dividend is payable Jan. 18, 1991, to stockholders of record Dec. 28, 1990. The ex-dividend date is Dec. 21, 1990.

Commenting on the dividend increase, William J. King, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We are proud that the strength of our earnings lets us declare a dividend increase for the 14th consecutive year. It's a confirmation of Dauphin's ability to remain healthy, even during times of national economic uncertainty and weakness in the financial services industry."

Dauphin Deposit Corp., with $3.4 billion in assets, headquartered in Harrisburg, is the area's largest independent bank holding company. It serves central Pennsylvania with 84 branch offices in seven counties. Major subsidiaries include Dauphin Deposit Bank and Trust Co., also located in Harrisburg, and Bank of Pennsylvania, located in Reading, Pa.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Ogden Corporation (NYSE: OG) announced today that its Fairfax, Va.-based subsidiary, OGDEN/ERC Government Systems, was awarded a new subcontract for electromagnetic engineering supporting optimization of Navy fleet communications systems.

As a subcontractor to Eldyne Inc., OGDEN/ERC was awarded a $2.4 million, 3-year contract supporting the Naval Ocean Systems Center (NOSC) in San Diego. OGDEN/ERC's Applied Engineering Group will conduct in-depth analyses of ship transmitting and receiving systems and their components and then implement corrective actions to ensure their ultimate performance at sea. This will

include optimizing antenna designs and topside arrangements; analyses and modeling of radiation patterns and performance; and testing for electromagnetic environmental effects (E3).

OGDEN/ERC Government Systems serves government and commercial clients in the defense and space technologies, software and systems engineering, and engineering and support services markets worldwide. OGDEN/ERC's Applied Engineering Group specializes in E3 analysis and electronics engineering; command, control and communications systems and software engineering; and logistics analyses.

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TEMPLE, TX (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas Instruments (NYSE: TXN) today announced the microLaser XL, a 16 page per minute (ppm) laser printer, which expands the microLaser(TM) family and makes affordable PostScript(R) printing available to high-volume users. With a non-PostScript model priced at only $3,449, and an entry-level PostScript model priced at $3,999, the microLaser XL significantly lowers the price threshhold for high-performance page printers. The microLaser XL provides many of the most popular features of TI's microLaser family -- a small footprint, compatibility with industry standards, and easy upgradeabiity -- in a printer that has been optimized for power users and departmental printing.

Three microLaser XL models are available. The standard microLaser XL comes with Hewlett-Packard (H-P) LaserJet(R) Series II emulation. The microLaser XL PS17 features the Adobe PostScript interpreter and 17 scalable PostScript fonts, while the microLaser XL PS35 comes with 35 PostScript fonts. The PostScript models use Adobe ATM(TM) font rendering technology for improved print quality and faster throughput.

"The microLaser XL sets a new standard in the quest for affordable PostScript power and compact size in a departmental page printer," said Aubrey Brickhouse manager of printer marketing for the peripheral products division of TI's information technology group. "With its desktop size, the microLaser XL is smaller than most personal laser printers, yet it easily handles high-volume printing in applications such as word processing, desktop publishing, data processing and forms generation.

"The microLaser XL complements TI's other microLaser printers, which are designed for personal desktop use, and opens up new market opportunities for TI's growing base of dealers and distributors," Brickhouse continued.

The newest addition to the microLaser family has the same modular design that allows users to easily upgrade from LaserJet Series II emulation to the

PostScript page description language. Users can start with the standard microLaser XL and then add PostScript, giving them access to the growing library of Adobe PostScript downloadable fonts and Post Script-compatible software applications. Upgrade boards such as PostScript are piggybacked directly onto the microLaser XL controller board; no tools are required. The microLaser XL controller design uses proprietary TI semiconductor technology which allows users to switch back and forth between PostScript and the H-P printer command language (PCL), with no loss of data and without turning off the printer.

The microLaser XL models have a print speed of 16 ppm and are conservatively rated for an average of 25,000 pages per month. The standard microLaser XL comes with .5 megabytes of random access memory (RAM), while the PostScript models have 1.5 megabytes of RAM. Memory can be expanded in one megabyte increments to a total of 4.5 megabytes.

With a footprint of only 15.8" wide x 16.6" deep x 10.8" high, the microLaser XL takes up far less space than other high-speed page printers. Even the standard 250-sheet input drawer tucks inside the printer to conserve desk space. The microLaser's versatile paper handling capabilities provide maximum flexibility for workgroups with diverse printing needs, accommodating a variety of paper sizes and types: letter, legal, half-letter, A4, B5, executive, transparencies, invoices and labels. An optional 500-sheet input paper feeder can be added, giving the microLaser XL the capacity to print 750 pages without refilling. A 70-envelope feeder is also optional.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - FNW Bancorp (NASDAQ: FNWB) today announced that it has elected to add $1,200,000 to its provisions for potential loan losses during the current quarter. The added provision is expected to reduce 1990 net income by $.09 cents per share; down from the company's original 1990 projection of $1.12 per share to $1.03 per share.

Harold R. Pehlke, president and chief executive officer of the eight-bank holding company, stated, "The slowing national economy prompted us to take an even more conservative stance in evaluating potential problems in our loan portfolio. This is a precautionary measure to protect against loan agreements which could be affected by potential recession. After a careful loan-by-loan review of all potential problem loans, the Board of Directors recommended the provision increase.

"In staying abreast of general economic conditions in our suburban markets, we have found some retailers are under added pressure at the moment. Of the ten

loans we elected to recategorize as potential problems, three are retail businesses -- representing 40 percent of the potential problem loan balances; three are commercial real estate developments -- or 33 percent of the outstanding problem loans; two are in the health service industry -- 15 percent; one is in manufacturing -- 6 percent; and one is an automobile dealer -- 6 percent," Pehlke elaborated.

The company's total provision for possible loan losses will increase to $3.8 million, up from $2.8 million for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989.

Despite the added precautionary expense, 1990 is anticipated to be a record earnings year for the holding company -- predicted to be 3 percent ahead of last year's record $13.8 million in net income, or $1 a share.

FNW Bancorp, Inc. is a $1.3 billion multi-bank holding and equipment leasing company operating in selected markets in northeastern Illinois with 15 locations in the high growth areas of Cook, Kane, Lake and DuPage counties.

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#90302p0735 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Valspar Corporation (ASE: VAL), a major coatings company, announced today that it has completed the acquisition of parts of DeSoto, Inc.'s United States and Canadian industrial coatings operations for approximately $46 million. The assets purchased service the industrial markets for coil, packaging, appliance and specialty coatings and include a major coatings and resin manufacturing facility at Garland, Texas. Revenues for these businesses were approximately $48 million in 1989.

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#90302p0739 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - EDS' State Operations Division today announced a contract to design, develop, implement and manage an Automated Fingerprint Image Reporting and Match System (AFIRM) for the Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services.

The five-year contract is the nation's first non-law enforcement use of an automated fingerprint matching system. AFIRM is expected to reduce costs by $1.6 million annually and offer improved service to welfare recipients.

AFIRM replaces traditional fingerprinting used to verify client eligibility for Los Angeles County's General Relief Program. Variations on AFIRM have already revolutionized criminal investigation by increasing the speed of matching fingerprints.

AFIRM will use an ink-free image scanning device to aid in the effective administration of general assistance benefits. Because of this process, prospective program beneficiaries no longer must be fingerprinted with ink.

"EDS continues to use creative applications of information technology to help Los Angeles County maintain an effective program while reducing costs," said Merv Forney, vice president of EDS' State Operations Division based in Los Angeles.

The following team industry leaders joined EDS in developing AFIRM: Hewlett-Packard Company (HP) will provide workstations, and Cogent Systems Inc., the ID software. EDS will provide the systems integration and management expertise to develop a custom-designed system that meets the county's needs.

"Los Angeles County is on the leading edge in providing automated verification " said Forney. "Soon we will see systems based on AFIRM being used in agencies and institutions worldwide."

EDS, based in North America and with operations in 27 countries, is the world leader in providing information technology services. Stock reflecting EDS' performance is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

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ANN ARBOR, MI (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - MEDSTAT Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: MDST) today announced estimated results for the quarter and year ended Sept. 30, 1990. Results were in line with the company's previously announced targets.

The company expects revenue to be $12.9 million, up 39 percent from last year's $9.3 million. Operating income is estimated to rise 28 percent to $1.9 million up from $1.5 million last year. Net income is estimated to be $1.4 million or 52 cents per share, up approximately 17 percent compared to $1.2 million, or 45 cents per share in fiscal 1989.

For the quarter, the company expects to report revenue of $3.6 million, up 45 percent from last year's fourth quarter, and operating income of $550,000, up about 31 percent. The company said net income for the fourth quarter will be about $390,000, or 14 cents per share, up approximately 11 percent.

MEDSTAT Systems expects to release audited results in mid-November. "We have exceeded or met our announced financial targets for the year of 30-35 percent revenue growth, 15 percent operating margins and pre-tax income of 16-17 percent of revenue," said Ernest G. Ludy, MEDSTAT chairman and chief executive. "These record financial results are especially significant in light of the substantial marketing investments we made in our Insurance Systems business this past year."

MEDSTAT Systems is a healthcare information company serving corporations, insurance, healthcare and consulting organizations with specialized databases, software and consulting services for controlling medical costs and measuring healthcare markets.

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FULLERTON, CA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Covington Development Group Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: COVT), one of California's leading real estate development companies, reported operating revenues of $13.2 million and net income of $279,000, or two cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the comparable quarter of last year, ended Sept. 30, 1989, the company reported operating revenues of $9.2 million and net income of $356,000, or two cents per share.

Operating revenues and earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $48.3 million and $1.1 million, respectively. This compares with $57.4 million and $3.8 million, respectively, for the first nine months of 1989.

The decline in revenues and earnings during 1990 reflect a slowing of demand for single-family homes in one of the company's primary market areas, Southern California.

The following tables show the number of units closing escrow during the three-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, and 1989, and during the first nine months of 1990 and 1989.

For more than 32 years, Covington has developed quality-built, award-winning homes and communities throughout California and Nevada. Covington is the country's 173rd largest builder, according to Professional Builder magazine and is ranked 16th in the Los Angeles Times 100 list of "the best performing companies in California."

The company's primary areas of operation are Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Los Angeles counties; California's Central Valley; selected Northern California counties; Las Vegas, and Oregon.

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#90302p0748 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Graphics Corporation (NASDAQ: MGCC) announced today record third revenues for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990. Sales totalled $3,309,752, a 15 percent increase over the $2,869,763 recorded in the third quarter of 1989. Net income was $140,486, or 8 cents per share, compared to $2,409, or 0 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales totalled $9,273,039, up 12 percent or $992,753 from the same period one year ago. Net earnings were $275,955, or 15 cents per share, compared to the net loss of $110,884, or 6 cents per share loss from the comparable 1989 period.

"The record sales and improved earnings are the direct result of an intense focus on sales and marketing efforts and cost control," said Catherine Anderson, chairman and chief executive officer. "In today's restrictive economic environment, healthcare providers must be able to recognize cost savings, patient benefits and a good return on investment in order to justify the purchase of new equipment. Our 26 percent increase in unit sales this quarter demonstrates strong volume growth and increasing market share."

Gross margins were 53.1 percent, contrasted to 56.4 percent for the same quarter in 1989. "As noted at the end of the second quarter, our gross margin should improve as we begin to realize the benefits of a third quarter price increase," Anderson continued. "We are confident that our improvements in net pricing, expanding market share and overall productivity improvements will further contribute to continued growth."

Medical Graphics Corporation is a world leader providing cardiorespiratory diagnostic and monitoring systems for the early detection and treatment of heart and lung disease. The company's common stock is traded on the National Over-the-Counter Market System under the NASDAQ symbol MGCC.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal Corporation (NYSE: UCL) today said that higher crude oil prices will enable the company to accelerate its development drilling program in North America.

The company will drill an additional 93 development wells in the U.S. and Canada this year, which are expected to increase the company's net crude oil and condensate production 5,700 barrels per day by early 1991. The wells were originally part of Unocal's 1991 drilling program.

John F. Imle, Jr., Unocal senior vice president, Energy Resources, said, "The company decided to accelerate its planned development drilling program in view of higher crude oil prices and the need to develop additional domestic crude oil supplies."

The accelerated drilling effort includes 87 wells in fields in Texas, California, Michigan, Illinois, Wyoming, Montana, North Dakota and Alabama. Another six wells will be drilled in Canada.

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#90302p0756 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOKLYN, N.Y. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - TechKnits, Inc. (NASDAQ: KNIT), a diversified manufacturer of women's sweaters and Dr. Denton's sweaters for children, reported a decline in sales and earnings in the three- and six-month periods ended Aug. 31, 1990, from comparable periods ended Aug. 31, 1989, it was announced today.

Simon Taub, the company's chairman, attributed the decline in sales and earnings to a poor retail climate.

TECHKNITS, INC.

Periods ended	Three Months		Six Months	
Aug. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total sales	$2,500,238	$3,799,993	$2,862,813	$4,731,158
Inc. bef. taxes	216,751	401,364	46,381	431,485
Net income	134,237	244,951	29,586	264,831
Net inc. per share	$.02	$.04	$.01	$.04
No. of shares of com. stock outst. used in computing earns. per shr.	5,700,000	5,700,000	5,700,000	5,700,000

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#90302p0758 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - NERCO Inc. (NYSE: NER) today reported improved financial results for the third quarter of 1990, compared to the same period in 1989 due to higher operating income from the natural resource company's oil and gas and coal segments. The company also reported improved results for the first nine months of 1990.

Net income increased 9 percent to $18.7 million for the three-month period, from $17.1 million in 1989. Quarterly earnings per share increased 4 percent to 48 cents per share, from 46 cents per share in 1989. Approximately 37,3 million shares were outstanding in the third quarter last year, compared to 39 million shares for the same 1990 period.

Consolidated revenues for the third quarter increased 15 percent to $201.1 million, from revenues of $174.5 million in the same 1989 period, primarily as a result of higher coal and oil and gas sales volumes.

For the quarter, operating income was up 15 percent to $40.4 million, from $35.2 million in the third quarter of 1989. The increase was primarily due to increased sales volumes for the coal and oil and gas segments. Average effective sales prices for the company's commodities during the period were mixed, with higher oil and natural gas liquids (NGL) prices, but lower average sales prices for coal, natural gas, and gold for the quarter.

Interest expense for the quarter was higher as a result of acquisitions made earlier in 1990.

According to NERCO President Lawrence E. Heiner, "While prices for natural gas and silver continued to remain soft during the quarter, our sales volumes for coal and oil and gas increased and oil and NGL prices were higher during the period. As a result, our third quarter performance was better than we anticipated last quarter.

"Additionally, if silver prices remain at today's levels, the company's 1990 financial performance will be adversely affected."

Approximately 82 percent of NERCO's common stock is owned by PacifiCorp (NYSE: PPW), a diversified electric utility. NERCO is a major North American natural resource company, producing low-sulfur coal, gas, oil, gold and silver.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific-Atlanta Inc. (NYSE: SFA) today reported that sales for the first quarter ended in September were $128.4

million, off 11 percent from the same quarter a year ago, and new orders were $128.9 million, down 13 percent.

Order backlog at the end of the quarter was $197.5 million. Earnings per share were $.25, down 34 percent from the prior year. Net earnings were $5.5 million 37 percent behind the same quarter a year ago. Lower sales, unfavorable product mix, one-time consolidation and severance costs, and higher development costs were offset in part by gains on the sale of a product line, settlement of claims and other income.

The sudden slowdown in cable television industry spending, which was reported at year end, as well as declining capital spending by electronics industry instrumentation customers, accounted for the sales declines and unfavorable product mix. These declines were only partly offset by improvements in Network Systems and other areas of Instrumentation, as well as by actions taken to consolidate and streamline operations.

"Broadband Communications' sales were off sharply," said William E. Johnson, chief executive officer. "In addition to issues of how to effectively deploy new technology and continued regulatory uncertainty, tighter general credit conditions coupled with high cable industry debt leverage are having a significant negative effect on spending decisions. Accordingly, we believe the slowdown will continue during the second half into calendar 1991. This is likely to adversely affect full year results. However, we continue to be confident about the strong underlying fundamentals of the cable industry since a number of factors, including franchise renewals, potential competition, and consumer pressures, suggest the need for future spending."

Network Systems' sales of international satellite systems and very small aperture terminal (VSAT) data networks increased over the prior year. In the international arena, Turner Broadcasting selected the BMAC system to encrypt their news and movie television programming for secure satellite transmission to Latin America. ESPN will also use the BMAC system for transmission of sports programming to Latin America and parts of the Pacific and Asia. Growth in international satellite system sales also continued, including orders for a digital voice satellite system from the Mexican Army and for a 9-meter video earth station from the Cyprus Telecommunications Authority that will be used to access Europe's EUTELESAT satellite. Domestic VSAT successes continued during the quarter with the award of a contract for an automotive dealer network of over 800 sites to Scientific-Atlanta and V-Crest Systems, a computer services subsidiary of Volkswagen of America, Inc. ABC Radio also selected the company's new Spectrum Efficient Digital Audio Technology (SEDAT) system to triple its satellite transmission capacity and send compact disk (CD) quality transmissions to its network affiliates.

Scientific-Atlanta Inc. a leader in cable television equipment and satellite-based communications networks, and is a key supplier of electronics instruments and systems for industrial, telecommunications and government

applications.

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#90302p0772 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Primerica Corporation (NYSE: PA) and American Capital Management & Research, Inc. (NYSE: ACA) jointly announced today that the stockholders of American Capital have approved the previously announced acquisition by Primerica of the publicly held shares of common stock of American Capital. The vote took place at a special meeting in Houston today, and the transaction was completed shortly thereafter.

American Capital stockholders who elected the cash option will receive $11.50 for each share of American Capital. American Capital stockholders who did not elect the cash option by today's deadline will receive transmittal materials to be used in exchanging their common shares. These stockholders are entitled to receive 0.32 shares of Primerica common stock for each share of American Capital surrendered for exchange. The exchange and paying agent for the transaction is First Chicago Trust Company of New York.

American Capital is a Houston-based investment management and marketing organization which provides investment advisory services to 34 mutual funds and closed-end investment companies.

Primerica Corporation is a diversified financial services company principally engaged in life, credit, accident & health, and property & casualty insurance, investment banking and securities brokerage, mortgage banking, mutual fund and asset management, consumer lending and direct marketing. As of Sept. 30, 1990, Primerica had assets of approximately $21 billion.

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#90302p0773 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

WORCESTER, MASS. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Cambridge Biotech Corporation (NASDAQ: CBCX) announced the recent appointments of Peter P. Hartman as vice president - finance and chief financial officer, and Douglas W. House as the company's director of sales - North America.

In their new positions, Hartman reports to Patrick J. Leonard, president and CEO, and House reports to Anthony C. Nicholls, executive vice president.

Hartman is a certified public accountant and a graduate of Fordham University. Prior to joining Cambridge Biotech, he was a founder and president of Chief Financial Officer, Inc., a private venture providing CFO and controllership services to various corporate clients. From 1984 to 1987, Hartman served as director of accounting/corporate treasurer and then vice president, international operations for Hill, Holliday, Connors, Cosmopoulos, Inc. Hartman has also held positions at Ward Brittany & Company, Millipore Corporation, and IBM World Trade Corporation.

House, a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, spent eight years with Abbott Diagnostics, starting in 1982 in North Carolina as a sales representative specializing in clinical equipment. In 1984, he became an account executive, and in 1986 was promoted to the National Accounts Group in Chicago. In December 1988, he became district sales manager in Annapolis, Md.

House's responsibilities as director of sales - North America are to oversee and enlarge the company's direct sales force, and to develop the company's direct sales business.

Commenting on the appointments, Dr. Leonard said, "Peter Hartman's experience in multinational business and his extensive knowledge of finance, treasury, accounting systems and controls will be of great value to Cambridge Biotech in the next phase of the company's growth. Doug House's experience in managing a sales force selling competitive products into CBC's target market will be of critical importance in the development of the company's domestic business. We are please to have them both join the CBC team."

Cambridge Biotech Corporation is a leader in the development of recombinant technology and a major producer of viral diagnostic screening and confirmatory products. The company utilizes recombinant technology in the development and production of antigens. The company also develops adjuvants and monoclonal antibodies as the basis for diagnostic, vaccine and therapeutic products for humans and animals.

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#90302p0774 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Alan R. Nelson, M.D., immediate past president of the American Medical Association, was elected president-elect of the World Medical Association (WMA) late Sunday and will take office in November 1991.

Dr. Nelson is the first American physician to lead the WMA since 1963, when Edward R. Annis, M.D. of Miami, served as WMA president.

An internist from Salt Lake City, Nelson was elected by the WMA as delegates concluded their forty-second assembly at the Annenberg Center for Health Sciences, Rancho Mirage, Calif.

He served as AMA president from June 1989 to June 1990. Prior to that, Nelson was a member of the AMA Board of Trustees from 1980 to 1986. He also served as chairman of the AMA Board from 1986 to 1988.

The WMA, headquartered in Ferney-Voltaire, France, includes membership from national medical associations in 49 countries. Accepted into membership on Oct. 25, 1990, were the medical associations of the USSR, Czechoslovakia and Tunisia. Last year, Poland and China were admitted.

At this year's WMA meeting, policy statements were adopted on topics as diverse as chemical and biological weapons, traffic safety, therapeutic substitution, human rights, and tobacco imports and exports.

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CASS CITY, MICH. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Walbro Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: WALB) and Magneti Marelli S.p.A., Milan, Italy, have signed a letter of intent to form a joint venture in France to develop, manufacture and market automotive fuel system components to automotive customers throughout Europe.

The joint venture's activities will focus on "tank storage systems" for use in electronic fuel injection systems. Tank storage systems include fuel pumps, fuel modules, fuel level sensors and other fuel tank-related components and sub-assemblies.

Magneti Marelli (1989 sales equivalent to 3.5 billion U.S. dollars) is an international manufacturing group that designs and manufactures high-technology components and systems for the automotive market. Magneti Marelli's activities focus on engine control sytems. Major products include fuel injection components (multi-point and single- point) and associated electronic controls.

Walbro Corporation (1989 sales of 135 million U.S. dollars) is a multinational manufacturer of fuel system components, headquartered in Cass City. Walbro's major automotive products include fuel pumps, fuel modules and other tank-related components. Walbro common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol WALB.

Following final agreement, Magneti Marelli will own 51 percent of the joint venture, with Walbro holding a 49-percent interest. Sales are expected to reach approximately $150 million (U.S.) within the next five years. It is expected that approximately 350 people will be employed by the joint venture.

The venture will initially combine the technologies of both companies and will in the future develop new, advanced systems in close partnership with European automakers in order to allow them to meet the difficult challenge of European emission standards.

In announcing the joint venture agreement, Walbro Chief Executive Officer L.E. Althaver and Magneti Marelli Chief Executive Officer A. Barberis said, "A window of opportunity exists at this time in Europe. A positive business climate has resulted from the opening of new European markets."

"Both Walbro and Magneti Marelli have extensive experience in fuel management systems. This joint venture will combine the technologies of both companies in order to offer European automakers best-in-class components to help them meet the challenge of new European emission standards," the two chief executives said.

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#90302p0778 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANCASTER, PA. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Armstrong World Industries, Inc. (NYSE: ACK), today declared a quarterly dividend of 29 cents per share on its $1 par value common stock.

In the first three quarters of 1990, Armstrong paid 84-1/2 cents per share in dividends. The corresponding total in 1989 was 78 cents.

The dividend is payable Dec. 1 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 9.

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#90302p0779 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH CHICAGO, Ill. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Fansteel Inc. (NYSE: FNL) today reported third-quarter 1990 net sales of $42,239,000, compared to $40,808,000 for the same period 1989. Net sales for 1989 have been restated to reflect the disposal in December 1989 of the Metal Products business segment. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $1,442,000, or $.17 per share, vs. net income of $161,000, or $.02 per share, for the third quarter of 1989. The third-quarter 1989 net income included a net loss from discontinued operations

of $1,034,000, or $.12 per share.

For the nine months, net sales of $129,081,000 were above the net sales of $127,475,000 for the first nine months of 1989. Net income of $5,634,000, or $.66 per share, was recorded for the first nine months of 1990, compared to net income of $2,369,000, or $.28 per share, in 1989. The 1989 results included net loss from discontinued operations of $1,614,000, or $.18 per share.

Fansteel is a specialty metals manufacturer of fabricated products for aircraft/aerospace, weapon systems, metalworking, energy and automotive markets.

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#90302p0781 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PEAPACK, NJ (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Fedders Corporation (NYSE: FJQ) and Great American Management and Investment, Inc. (NASDAQ: GAMI) today announced they will seek to modify their plans announced on July 10 for Fedders to acquire Emerson Quiet Kool, the room air conditioner division of The Jepson Corporation, which is a subsidiary of Great American Management.

Under the original agreement, the acquisition was to have been completed no later than Sept. 15. The transaction was subject to review by the United States Department of Justice, however, and that review is continuing.

In a joint announcement, Fedders and Jepson said delays resulting from the regulatory review, coupled with the highly seasonal nature of the room air conditioner business, require further negotiation of the terms of the transaction.

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#90302p0784 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MATTAWAN, MICH. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - International Research and Development Corp. (NASDAQ: IRDV) (IRDC) today announced revenues, earnings before income taxes, net earnings and earnings per share for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $25,885,468, compared with 1989 nine months revenues of $18,483,189. Earnings before income taxes for this period were $2,954,682, compared with before tax earnings of $5,003,085 for the same period in 1989. Net earnings for this period were $1,895,682 (or $0.34 per share), compared with 1989 net earnings of $3,313,085

(or $0.58 per share).

Revenues for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $8,537,206, compared with 1989 third quarter revenues of $6,632,574. Third quarter earnings before income taxes in 1990 were $867,396, compared with third quarter earnings before income taxes of $1,910,402 attained in 1989. Net earnings for this period in 1990 were $538,396 (or $0.10 per share) compared with 1989 third quarter earnings of $1,266,402 (or $0.22 per share).

International Research and Development Corp. is engaged in the safety evaluation of pharmaceutical and veterinary drugs, agricultural products, and chemicals. Studies are performed on behalf of various manufacturers of such products, both foreign and domestic, and on behalf of governmental agencies.

IRDC also is a manufacturer and distributor of cosmetics and skin care products through its subsidiary, Carme' Inc., as well as certain medical and health care products through its subsidiary, Medical Surgical Specialties, Ltd.

The common stock of International Research and Development Corp. is traded in the Over-The-Counter national market.

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#90302p0785 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, ALBERTA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Synex International Inc. a company listed on The Toronto Stock Exchange, have authorized the purchase of up to 240,000 of its Common Shares. This represents approximately 4.9 percent of the 4,852,750 issues and outstanding Common Shares of Synex International Inc. The Toronto Stock Exchange has approved this purchase of shares.

The directors have concluded that the ongoing purchase by Synex International Inc. of certain of its outstanding common shares is a sound investment opportunity. The purchases of such shares will be made through the facilities of the exchange over a period of one year commencing on Nov. 1, 1990.

Synex conducted a Normal Course Issuer Bid between Sept. 28, 1989, and Sept. 27, 1990, pursuant to which Synex International Inc. purchased a total of 32,000 common shares at an average purchase price of $0.79 per share, including commissions.

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#90302p0786 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Rohm and Haas Co. (NYSE: ROH) and Sherwin-Williams Co. (NYSE: SHW) announced today that Rohm and Haas has completed the purchase of the Chicago Heights, Ill., manufacturing facility formerly owned by DeSoto Inc.

The transaction immediately followed the Sherwin-Williams Co.'s purchase of the Consumer Paint business of DeSoto Inc., which included the Chicago Heights plant.

The Chicago Heights facility manufactures both paint and latex emulsion polymers. Rohm and Haas will continue to produce latex emulsions at the site. Sherwin-Williams will continue to operate the paint production operation for a period of time.

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#90302p0787 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
MATTAWAN, MICH. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - On Oct. 26, 1990, the board of directors of International Research and Development Corp. (IRDC) declared a $.05 per share dividend to shareholders of record as of Nov. 9, 1990, payable on Nov. 23, 1990. This marks the 79th consecutive quarter for which cash dividends have been paid to our shareholders.

International Research and Development Corp. is engaged in the safety evaluation of pharmaceutical and veterinary drugs, agricultural products, and chemicals. Studies are performed on behalf of various manufacturers of such products, both foreign and domestic, and on behalf of governmental agencies.

IRDC also is a manufacturer and distributor of cosmetics and skin care products through its subsidiary, Carme', Inc., as well as certain medical and health care products through its subsidiary, Medical Surgical Specialties, Ltd.

The common stock of International Research and Development Corporation is traded in the Over-The-Counter national market.

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#90302p0791 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
PRINCETON, NJ (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Church & Dwight Company, Inc., announced the launch of new Arm & Hammer Dental Care(R) Gel, "the only great-tasting gel dentifrice with dentist-recommended baking soda." The new

gel is expected to appeal to consumers who currently use a gel, but want the cleaning and whitening benefits of baking soda.

The gel introduction follows impressive growth in recent months for the brand's other dentifrice products, Arm & Hammer Dental Care toothpaste and tooth powder. According to Information Resources, Inc., the brand's market share was at an all-time high in the last eight weeks, accounting for 6.3 percent of all dentifrice dollar sales in food stores, and surpassing Unilever's Close-Up(R) to become the Number 4 dentifrice brand in the United States.

The new, aqua-colored, translucent gel offers the cool, refreshing mint taste that consumers expect from a gel dentifrice. But only Arm & Hammer Dental Care gel also offers a significant level of baking soda (approximately 30 percent) to provide the "unique clean mouth feeling" described by people who currently brush with Arm & Hammer Dental Care.

"The people who currently use our toothpaste or tooth powder really like the clean feeling that Arm & Hammer Dental Care leaves in their mouth, and now they won't use anything else," said William Egan, president of the Arm & Hammer Division at Church & Dwight. "But gel users, who represent 35 percent of the dentifrice market, prefer a cooler, smoother, more refreshing mint taste when they brush. New Arm & Hammer Dental Care Gel is the baking soda dentifrice for them.

"In 1991, the marketing support behind Arm & Hammer Dental Care will be at its highest level ever," said Egan. The introduction of the new Gel will be supported by national television advertising, and more than 200 million trial-generating coupons will be distributed via newspaper inserts and on-shelf take-one pads. Introductory trade promotions will include allowances on all Arm & Hammer Dental Care items, and pre-packed floor displays for both full size and trial size products.

Dental professionals have long recognized the dentifrice benefits of baking soda. Prior to the introduction of fluoridated toothpastes in 1955, the American Dental Association's Seal of Approval appeared on every box of Arm & Hammer Baking Soda. And the ADA still rates sodium bicarbonate (baking soda) as the least abrasive dentifrice ingredient next to water. Today's state-of-the-art Arm & Hammer Dental Care formulations combine the cleaning and whitening benefits of baking soda with the anti-cavities benefit of sodium fluoride.

New Arm & Hammer Dental Care Gel will be available nationally in supermarkets and drug stores by December 1990. It comes in 2.7 oz., 4.5 oz., and 6.3 oz. full-size tubes, and a 0.9 oz. trial-size tube. Army & Hammer Dental Care Toothpaste is available in a 1 oz. trial size and 3 oz., 5 oz., and 7 oz. full-size tubes. Arm & Hammer Dental Care Tooth Powder is available in a 0.75 oz. trialsize and a 4 oz. full-size flip- top bottle.

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-30- 3370

#90302p0796 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Bio-Monitor Inc. (NASDAQ: BMON) announced today the opening of its second Medical Depot Superstore in Deerfield Beach, Fla.

Bio-Monitor, which recently combined with MD America, is the largest Medical Depot franchisee, with 12 franchises and franchise rights to 49 Medical Depot Superstores. Most of the 61 combined stores, franchises and rights are for locations in Florida, Arizona, Georgia, Pennsylvania, Ohio and the metropolitan Washington, D.C. area.

William Kramer, president and director of Bio-Monitor, stated, "The opening of our second Medical Depot Superstore strategically located in Deerfield Beach in The Shoppes of Hillsboro strengthens our position as the largest franchisee of Medical Depot." There are over 50,000 people over the age of 65 located within five miles of the Deerfield Beach Medical Depot, with over 10,000 people over the age of 65 directly across the street in Century Village.

The Medical Depot franchise is a retail store offering a complete selection of durable and disposable medical equipment, supplies and comfort items especially for the senior citizen...selling to the public (retail) and segments of the health care industry (wholesale). The "depot" concept is modeled after the popular Home Depot and Office Depot concepts.

Bio-Monitor's first Medical Depot Superstore is located in Margate, Fla.

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#90302p0797 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Rochester Telephone Corp. (NYSE: RTC) reported today that its consolidated net income for the year's third quarter amounted to $12,518,000 with earnings per share of $0.44.

The results represent a 5.0 percent improvement over the year's second quarter when net income was $11,926,000 and earnings per share amounted to $0.42.

Net income in the third quarter of 1989 was $13,413,000 and earnings per share were $0.48.

(1989 earnings are before extraordinary gains of $20,645,000, or $0.75 per share, related to the sale of Action Communications Services, Inc. (ACS), formerly T-COM, Inc., a paging subsidiary in Michigan, and the cellular interests of three telephone subsidiaries.)

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Rochester Tel reported total revenues and sales of $150,176,000, an increase of 2.7 percent over last year's third quarter. Telephone Group revenues rose 8.7 percent for the quarter, to $102,950,000. Telecommunications Group sales decreased 8.4 percent, to $47,226,000, reflecting the 1989 sale of ACS and the discontinuation of Rotelcom Network Systems sales to Rochester Telephone.

Consolidated operating income increased 7.5 percent for the period reaching $29,638,000. The Telephone Group's operating income was up 8.9 percent, to $26,351,000; the Telecommunications Group's operating income declined 2.8 percent for the quarter, to $3,287,000.

For the year's first nine months, total revenues and sales were up 3.4 percent to $441,559,000. Telephone group revenues gained 7.5 percent, to $299,292,000. Sales of the Telecommunications Group were down 4.3 percent from the 1989 period, to $142,267,000.

Consolidated operating income for the period totaled $83,540,000, a decrease of 1.6 percent from a year ago. Operating income of the Telephone Group was up 4.5 percent, at $78,300,000. Operating income of the Telecommunications Group was down 47.7 percent, at $5,240,000.

Consolidated net income was $36,641,000, compared with $42,458,000 for the same period a year ago; earnings per share were $1.28, against $1.51 in 1989 (1989 results are before extraordinary gains).

Rochester Telephone currently has 31 telephone companies operating in 13 states. Its Telecommunications Group subsidiaries, engaged in long distance services, network systems and radio services, operate in New York State, the Northeast and the Mid-Atlantic region.

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#90302p0799 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 29) - Wainoco Oil Corp. (NYSE: WOL) today announced the completion of a horizontally drilled Austin Chalk oil discovery in Gonzales County, Texas. The Wainoco-Jewett No. 1 flowed at a rate of 2,046 barrels of oil per day and 895 MCF of gas per day on a 24-hour test through two one inch chokes with flowing tubing pressure of 150 psi. The well was drilled 3,346

feet horizontally in the Austin Chalk formation at a vertical depth of approximately 9,170 feet.

Wainoco owns a 50 percent working interest in the well and the surrounding 2,000 acre lease block.

Wainoco also reported that it has an additional well currently drilling on the same lease block as the Jewett No. 1 and plans to drill horizontal wells on four other lease blocks comprising approximately 10,240 acres in the general vicinity of the Jewett No. 1.

Wainoco Oil Corp. is a publicly held oil and gas exploration and production company with operations throughout North America. Wainoco's common shares are listed on the New York and Alberta Stock Exchanges.

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#90302p0806 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

STERLING, VA. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Radiation Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: RADS), today reported net income of $1,797,000 (33 cents per share) for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 113 percent over net income of $844,000 (16 cents per share) in the same period in the prior year. Sales were $24.8 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 77 percent over sales of $14.1 million for the same period in the prior year.

Total backlog of unfilled orders on Sept. 30, 1990, was $103.6 million compared to a backlog of $108.0 million on June 30, 1990 and $135.9 million on Sept. 30, 1989.

Richard E. Thomas, chairman and chief executive officer of Radiation Systems, said that he was most pleased about the strong start for this fiscal year, especially after the completion of a record performance last fiscal year. Thomas stated that while usual first quarter performance has been lackluster, he believes that a new trend has been started now that the company has expanded its product lines and developed a number of new markets for its products. Thomas stated further that he was disappointed about the current backlog level. However, he noted that there continues to be delays on the part of customers releasing contracts, but these are not lost and are expected to be booked shortly. Thomas mentioned that Electromechanical Systems Division continues a very strong performance and already booked a contract exceeding $7 million after the close of the first quarter. The Channel One program, he said, continues to progress with nearly 3,800 systems installed as of Sept. 30 1990 and a total of 5,000 plus planned for the Dec. 31, 1990 timeframe. Because of Channel One and other similar project requirements and the strong demand for RSi's other products, Thomas said he remains extremely optimistic about the company's future.

Radiation Systems, Inc., designs, manufactures and installs a broad range of antenna systems for radar, air traffic control, tactical military, satellite earth stations, terrestrial microwave and other specialized uses throughout the world.

CONTACT: Richard E. Thomas, chairman and CEO, or Mark Funston, vice president finance, 703-450-5680, both of Radiation Systems, Inc.

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#90302p0807 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MADISON, N.J. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Schering-Plough Corporation (NYSE: SGP) today released the following:

For the sake of asthmatic patients and their physicians, Schering- Plough Corporation is compelled to alert them to self-serving publicity campaigns by the organized plaintiffs' trial bar that could seriously mislead and harm asthma sufferers taking theophylline, a standard asthma therapy.

Theophylline is an important, well-established treatment in the control of chronic asthma, a serious and potentially life-threatening disease. Asthma affects 10 million Americans and is responsible annually for an estimated 1.2 million emergency room visits and approximately 5,000 deaths.

Asthma is a complex disease requiring individualized treatment. Physicians must have free and unrestricted access to a variety of different agents, with different therapeutic mechanisms -- including theophylline products -- in order to provide optimal treatment for their asthmatic patients. Theophylline has been used and studied as an asthma treatment for nearly 50 years. This wealth of experience is explicitly reflected in theophylline's government-approved labeling, which instructs physicians on its proper use in both adults and children. The instructions emphasize the need to monitor theophylline blood levels and to carefully individualize each patient's dosage to the minimum required to achieve asthmatic control.

Properly used, under physician supervision and in accordance with approved labeling, serious theophylline side effects have been very rare. Schering-Plough's own experience, as the U.S. leader in theophylline therapy, bears this out. Our products have been prescribed approximately 60 times since 1985 alone, and in that time the reported incidence of serious adverse drug events, as defined by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), has been only 1.3 reports per 100,000 prescriptions. This is a very good and reassuring safety record.

The Association of Trial Lawyers of America (ATLA), under the guise of a consumer protection program, is launching a publicity campaign aimed at alarming asthma patients about theophylline. ATLA is an organization of

trial lawyers who file lawsuits on behalf of claimants and plaintiffs while retaining a percentage of any monies gained. ATLA has submitted a letter on theophylline to the FDA and has scheduled a media event to promote its efforts tomorrow in Washington.

Schering-Plough is concerned that ATLA's campaign, combined with newspaper ads by plaintiffs' lawyers soliciting theophylline clients for possible litigation will serve to alarm patients and interfere with physician-patient relationships by overstating and overdramatizing the known risks of theophylline. This kind of campaign has the potential to endanger patients. Should a patient or parent be alarmed into discontinuing critical asthma medications in response to scare messages, severe and even fatal consequences may result. Patients should not be deceived by these lawyers' tactics, but should continue taking their medication as recommended by their physician.

Schering-Plough strongly believes that theophylline is an important prescription therapy for asthma patients. Alarmist and self-serving campaigns, like ATLA's, and newspaper advertisements placed by lawyers soliciting clients, are not in the best interests of the asthma patient.

CONTACT: Steve Galpin Jr. of Schering-Plough, 201-822-7415

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#90302p0812 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MORRIS TOWNSHIP, NJ (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied-Signal Aerospace announced today that the Air France Group will install the company's Bendix/King traffic alert and collision avoidance system (TCAS) on its aircraft.

The systems will be supplied by Allied-Signal's Bendix/King Air Transport Avionics Division in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., for Air France Group's fleet of Boeing 767 and Airbus A310-300 and A340 aircraft. The Air France Group, based in Paris, includes Air Inter, Air France, and Union de Transports Aeriens (UTA).

TCAS is an airborne collision avoidance system that operates independently of ground-based radar stations to inform pilots of the location of aircraft in their vicinity. The system alerts pilots to potential threats and issues vertical course correction advisories, if the situation warrants.

The U.S. government has ordered that all aircraft carrying 30 or more passengers in U.S. airspace be equipped with collision avoidance equipment by the end of 1993.

The Bendix/King division is the leading supplier of TCAS equipment and has been selected by more than 30 airlines around the world. The division has commitments for more than 3,200 shipsets, about 55 percent of the market.

Allied-Signal Aerospace is a unit of Allied-Signal Inc. (NYSE: ALD), an advanced technology company with businesses in aerospace, automotive products and engineered materials.

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#90302p0813 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

OMAHA, NEB. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - ConAgra Inc. (NYSE: CAG) today announced it is offering $300 million of 9.75 percent senior notes due in 1997 as part of a recently filed $900 million shelf registration. The notes are non-callable and are rated Baa1 by Moody's and BBB by Standard & Poor's.

The notes are being offered through underwriters led by Merrill Lynch Capital Markets and including Goldman, Sachs & Co., Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and Salomon Brothers Inc.

Proceeds of the offering will be used for general corporate purposes including refinancing $251 million of Beatrice Co.'s debt which has interest at approximately 13 percent. ConAgra acquired Beatrice on Aug. 14, 1990.

Omaha-based ConAgra is a diversified food company with annualized sales of about $20 billion. The company's operations span the food chain. ConAgra's food product brands include Banquet, Healthy Choice, Kid Cuisine, Morton, Patio, Chun King frozen, Armour, Country Pride, Hunt's, Wesson, Orville Redenbacher's, Butterball, Swift Premium, Eckrich, Swiss Miss, Peter Pan, La Choy and others.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of any offer to buy, nor shall there be any sales of these securities in any State in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such State. A prospectus relating to the offering can be obtained from the underwriters.

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#90302p0814 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Oct. 26, 1990. All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields (30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago Conventional
15-Year FRM	9.66	9.67	9.45
30-Year FRM	10.05	10.04	9.70
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	10.30	10.29	9.95

10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.

Second Mortgages	9.690	9.680	9.540

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term) Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	8.85	8.90	9.20	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	9.10	9.15	9.45	2.000 pct.
1(A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	7.80	7.85	8.15	2.250 pct. 6 mos(A)
(COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	7.90	7.95	8.25	2.125 pct.

(A) Rate reduction. (B) 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM. Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs.

LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
September 27, 1990	8.297	8.375	8.422	8.500
August 30, 1990	8.125	8.188	8.188	8.313

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 10/26/90	Year to Date	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(C)	285.0	18,901.1	18,438.9
Purchases	379.3	19,114.6	16,759.4
MBS Issued	2,567.0	80,647.0	50,692.8

(C) Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

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#90302p0815 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANCASTER, Pa. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Third-quarter financial results announced by Armstrong World Industries, Inc. (NYSE: ACK), today showed that while the company set a new Armstrong record for sales during the period, earnings from continuing businesses and total net earnings slid below 1989 levels in the midst of the current slump in domestic building markets and in the U.S. economy as a whole.

Lower unit sales, competitive pricing pressures and higher costs associated with new production capacity put in place during the past years contributed to the earnings decline.

During the quarter, Armstrong also increased its provision for losses on

discontinued businesses by $2.0 million after tax, primarily because of higher than expected claims from pre-existing medical conditions and workmen's compensation, and from costs of operating some of the businesses longer than expected.

For the first nine months of 1990, Armstrong finished ahead of last year's comparable record in the three performance criteria: sales, earnings from continuing businesses, and total net earnings.

In the following comparisons, the sales and earnings from continuing businesses for 1989 have been restated to exclude the results of those businesses sold in 1989 and those sold or planned for disposition this year. The "net earnings" results do include the results of these businesses. (See tables.)

Armstrong released these summaries of its third-quarter 1990 results and the appropriate 1989 comparisons:

-- 1990 net sales for the quarter reached $639.5 million, an increase of nearly 2 percent over the 1989 figure of $629.2 million.

-- 1990 earnings from continuing businesses were $28.3 million, a decrease of 35 percent from the 1989 level of $43.7 million.

-- Earnings per share of common stock from continuing businesses were 63 cents on a primary basis and 59 cents on a fully diluted basis, compared with 1989 levels of 85 cents on a primary basis and 77 cents on a fully diluted basis.

-- Total net earnings were $26.3 million compared with $47.0 million for the like period in 1989 -- a 44 percent decrease.

-- Net earnings per share of common stock were 58 cents on a primary basis and 54 cents on a fully diluted basis, compared with 1989 net earnings per share of 92 cents per share on a primary basis and 83 cents on a fully diluted basis.

The return on average common shareholders' equity was 9.7 percent for the third quarter of 1990 compared with 16.8 percent for the similar period last year.

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#90302p0820 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTOWN SQUARE, PA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - ARCO Chemical Co. (NYSE: RCM) and Mitsui Toatsu today announced the formation of MTC ARCO Inc., a 50/50 joint venture to manufacture and market DYLARKz engineering resins in Japan.

MTC ARCO is building a DYLARK plant at Mitsui Toatsu's manufacturing complex near Osaka. Startup is scheduled for the second quarter of 1991. In the meantime, DYLARK resins will continue to be imported from ARCO Chemical's U.S. plant in Monaca, Pennsylvania, and will be marketed by MTC ARCO. DYLARK resins, a family of thermoplastic materials, are specified by car manufacturers throughout the world for instrument panels, headliners, consoles and other interior trim parts.

James L. Cobb, president of ARCO Chemical Japan Inc., said: "This joint venture will provide a full range of DYLARK products along with a strong service orientation and substantial product development activity. These sound attributes will position MTC ARCO to satisfy the growing demand in Japan for these products. Locating the plant in Japan will help us better serve our Japanese customers."

"This project is another step in ARCO Chemical's drive to become a worldwide supplier of a line of products for the automotive industry," according to James A. Tarangelo, vice president Worldwide Business Management for styrenic products. In addition to DYLARK, ARCO Chemical offers engineering foams, polyols and ARSETz SRIM resin, a developmental material to service the growing needs of the automotive industry.

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#90302p0824 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Harry E. Snodgrass, vice president and general manager of McDonnell Aircraft Co.'s A-12 program, has announced his retirement effective the end of 1990. During his 33 years with the company, Snodgrass has made substantial contributions, not only to the A-12 Avenger II program, but to the F-4 Phantom II and F/A-18 Hornet programs.

Donald R. Kozlowski, vice president and general manager of the YF-23 program, will replace Snodgrass effective Dec. 10, 1990. Kozlowski has been with the company for more than 27 years and has held numerous management positions within the F-15 and YF-23 programs.

Kozlowski, a St. Louis native, holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from St. Louis University and a master's degree in electrical engineering from Washington University.

Concurrently, James M. Sinnett, vice president of engineering, will be assigned the additional duty as vice president and general manager, YF-23. Sinnett joined McDonnell Aircraft in 1962. Since then he has held various management positions within engineering and has worked on numerous aircraft programs.

Sinnett, also a St. Louis native, holds a bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering from Parks College (St. Louis University) and a master's degree in engineering mechanics from St. Louis University.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Korea Development Bank announced today that it has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement under Schedule B of the Securities Act of 1933 covering a proposed public offering of $300 million of bonds due 2000. Goldman, Sachs & Co. will be the lead manager of the issue.

The Korea Development Bank was established in 1954, as a governmental financial institution pursuant to the Development Bank Act. The primary purpose of the bank is to furnish and administer funds, in conformity with the industrial policies of the Korean Government, for the financing of major industrial projects in order to expedite industrial development and expansion of the economy of the Republic of Korea. All of the bank's outstanding capital is owned by the Government of the Republic of Korea.

A copy of the prospectus can be obtained from the Prospectus Department of Goldman, Sachs & Co., 85 Broad St., New York, N.Y. 10004.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

CONTACT: Barbara Hynes of Gavin Anderson Doremus, 212-921-1060, for The Korea Development Bank

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#90302p0830 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) has announced it has selected the Central Railroad Company of Indianapolis as purchaser of the section of Conrail's Shelbyville Line between Shelbyville, Ind., and Cincinnati, Ohio.

Conrail worked with the Indiana and Ohio Departments of Transportation in

making the selection.

Gov. Evan Bayh said, "A successful sale should mean that this important rail corridor will remain in place and operational. The line serves several interests in the area and, with construction of additional spurs, could provide transportation for people and goods in many cities between Shelbyville and Cincinnati. Support for this sale will supply the people of east and southeast Indiana with an important economic development tool. My office, and that of Lieutenant Governor Frank O'Bannon, have turned in many long hours trying to keep this line open."

The sale is subject to continuing negotiations between the two railroads, execution of a sales agreement, and approval by the Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC). Conrail said it expects to close the sale during the first half of 1991.

Conrail announced on July 26 that it had put up for sale the 81-mile portion of the line between Shelbyville and Cincinnati in Decatur, Franklin, Ripley and Dearborn counties in Indiana, and Hamilton County in Ohio. Conrail stated at that time that it decided to sell the line as an alternative to the abandonment and dismantlement of the 58.5-mile segment between Shelbyville and Thatcher, Ind., which was authorized by the ICC in 1982.

CONTACT: Fred J. Nation of Gov. Evan Bayh's Office, 317-232-4578, or Steve Owens of the Indiana Department of Transportation, 317-232-5115 or Robert L. Libkind or Patricia Linskey of Conrail, 215-977-4594

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#90302p0852 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Johnson Controls, Inc. (NYSE: JCI) today announced that it ended its 1990 fiscal year on a strong note, with higher sales and income from each of its four businesses in the fourth quarter.

For the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales increased 12 percent to $1.2 billion from $1.0 billion in the prior year. Operating income increased 45 percent to $72.9 million from $50.2 million in 1989. Net income of $29.0 million in the 1990 quarter was 22 percent higher than the $23.8 million the prior year. Primary earnings per share were $.68 versus 1989's $.57 while fully diluted earnings per share rose to $.65 from $.53 in the 1989 fourth quarter.

The company's battery business is also moving in the right direction, he added saying that the business is starting to attain improved financial returns from the sizeable capital investments it is making in new manufacturing methods and heightened product differentiation.

Pricing in the plastic soft drink container industry remains a concern, Keyes

said, however, the company's strategy to emphasize supplying containers for other beverage and food markets should aid both sales and operating margins.

Johnson Controls sales for the full 12 months of 1990 were $4.5 billion, up 22 percent from the $3.7 billion for 1989. Operating income totalled $228 million, 11 percent higher than 1989's $205 million. Net income for 1990 was $92.4 million or 5 percent lower than the prior year's $97.5 million due to higher interest expense, increased miscellaneous expenses substantially related to the costs associated with the insolvency of an insurance carrier, and a higher effective tax rate in 1990. Primary earnings per share were $2.13 versus $2.55 in 1989 while fully diluted earnings per share were $2.05 for 1990, down from $2.42 the prior year.

Controls sales for 1990 totalled $1.7 billion, up 36 percent from $1.3 billion due to the full-year recognition of Pan Am World Services revenue and higher systems and services sales. Operating income was $69.6 million for 1990, up 5 percent from $66.0 million for 1989 as lower international income largely offset domestic gains.

Automotive sales increased 18 percent to $1.4 billion from $1.2 billion for 1989 reflecting higher shipments of automotive seats both in North America and Europe. Improved profitability at new facilities led to operating income reaching $56.3 million, an 18 percent increase over the $47.7 million a year ago.

Battery sales were $728 million, 11 percent above 1989's $659 million. Operating income rose 35 percent to $45.7 million in 1990 from $33.8 million. The increases reflect higher unit shipments, including a including a Canadian acquisition in January 1990, higher lead improved operating efficiencies.

Plastics sales were $669 million for 1990, a 14 percent gain over 1989's $585 million. The increase primarily resulted from sales associated with new European container plants. The company said that domestic pricing pressures resulted in a 2 percent decline in operating income to $56.4 million from 1989's $57.8 million.

CONTACT: Denise M. Zutz of Johnson Controls, Inc., 414-228-3155

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#90302p0857 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Boeing (NYSE: BA) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Frank Shrontz reported that the board of directors at its regular meeting declared a dividend of 25 cents a share for the fourth quarter payable Dec. 7 to stockholders of record as of Nov. 16.

CONTACT: Paul Binder of The Boeing Company, 206-655-6123

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#90302p0860 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Placer Dome Inc. has disclosed that it was successful in acquiring more than 98 percent of the outstanding shares of Continental Gold Corp. under its take-over bid. Current management will now proceed with an orderly transition such that Placer Dome can assume full operational control of the company as soon as possible.

The Continental Gold team wishes to thank all of the former shareholders of Continental for their loyal support and trust. The team now intends to devote its full-time efforts to Pacific Sentinel Gold Corp. (PSG: V) which is developing a large scale gold system in Arizona.

Over the last two years, in two projects, (North American Metals and Continental Gold) this team has proven 6.8 million ounces of gold and 2 billion pounds of copper, creating $222 million in takeover offers to shareholders, 450 new B.C. jobs, $400 million in new capital investment and over $5 billion in new wealth for Canada.

CONTACT: Robert G. Hunter, chairman of Continental Gold Corp., 604-684-6365

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#90302p0868 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
SEATTLE (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Sales of $20.580 billion and net earnings of $1.067 billion, or $3.09 per share, for the first nine months of 1990 were reported by Frank Shrontz, Boeing (NYSE: BA) chairman and chief executive officer. Nine months 1989 sales were $15.429 billion and net earnings, before restatement for the effect of adopting a change in accounting for income taxes were $598 million, or $1.73 per share. Including the restatement, nine months 1989 earnings were $896 million, or $2.59 per share.

Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $7.176 billion with earnings of $378 million, or $1.10 per share, compared with 1989 sales of $6.356 billion, with earnings of $242 million, or 70 cents per share. The 1989 data has also been restated for the 1990 three-for-two stock split.

The increase in net earnings for the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 compared to the same periods for 1989, excluding the 1989 restatement for the accounting change, is primarily due to increased sales volume and operating margins on commercial transport programs and to higher other income. The above items were partially offset by a higher effective federal income tax rate.

Shrontz stated that although the loss on Boeing's defense and space business in 1990 will be substantial, it is currently projected to be somewhat lower than in 1989. With progress having been made in resolving cost and schedule

problems on U.S. Government development and production programs, reduced levels of cost share, and the increased efficiencies resulting from the recent consolidation of defense and space organizations, operating results for the defense and space business should be improved in 1991 and subsequent years.

Shrontz announced that at today's meeting, the board of directors ratified the launch of the 777 family of jet aircraft. The company has received orders from United Airlines for 34 777s with options for an additional 34 units. The company also has made proposals to a number of other airlines for the sale of 777s. The new jet transport will seat 360 to 390 passengers in two classes. It will feature a new wing, wide-body fuselage and the latest high-efficiency turbofan engines. The first 777 will be delivered to United in May 1995.

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#90302p0872 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Frank Shrontz, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of The Boeing Co. (NYSE: BA), announced today that the Boeing board of directors has given formal approval to produce a new wide-body twin-engine airplane family to be called the 777. The first delivery will be in 1995.

Launch customer for the 360- to 390-passenger aircraft is United Airlines, which announced two weeks ago that it placed 34 firm orders and 34 options for the new airplane.

Shrontz said, "The Boeing 777 will set a new standard for aircraft around the world. With the introduction of the 777, we will be able to offer our airline customers a complete family of Boeing airplanes that meets any seating requirement from approximately 100 to 500 passengers. We believe the 777 will allow us to offer the right product for the changing market requirements of the 1990s and beyond."

In December 1989, the Boeing board of directors authorized the Boeing Commercial Airplane Group to issue firm offers for a new airplane. Boeing has been working closely with the airlines to develop the basic design of the new airplane. The 777 program will now transition into the detailed design phase.

Pending an environmental impact statement and permits from local governments, Boeing expects to build the new 777 at its production facility in Everett, Wash., where the Boeing 747 and 767 airplanes are built. Employment on the 777 program is currently 3,500 and will grow to more than 10,000 people by late 1992.

Boeing currently produces the 737, 747, 757 and 767 family of commercial jet

transport aircraft. The 737 was first ordered in February of 1965 by Lufthansa and entered service in February 1968 with Lufthansa. The first order for the 747 came in April 1966 from Pan American and entered service with them in 1970. The first order for the 767 was placed by United Airlines in July 1978 and went into service with United in September 1982. The 757 was first ordered by Eastern Airlines and British Airways in August 1978 and began commercial service in December 1982 with Eastern.

Current backlog for Boeing commercial airplanes is 1,797, consisting of: 21 707s, 905 737s, 298 747s, 367 757s, 172 767s and 34 777s.

CONTACT: Jack Gamble, 206-237-1715, or Dick Schleh, 206-234-9332, both of Boeing Commercial Airplane Group

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#90302p0876 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORFOLK, VA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Norfolk Southern (NYSE: NSC) is consolidating its Communications department and Signal & Electrical department effective November 1. The new department, called the Communications & Signal department, will be headquartered in Atlanta.

James R. Strickland, who had been assistant vice president - Communications, will head the combined department. He reports to C.M. Irvin, vice president of Engineering.

CONTACT: Robert C. Fort, Assistant Vice President, 804-629-2714 or J. Don Piedmont, Director, Public Relations, 703-981-5407, both of Norfolk Southern Corporation

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#90302p0878 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Major air carriers have participated in Boeing's 777 design process, helping assure that the new twinjet will have the broadest possible market appeal and will emerge as the most preferred airliner in its class, the company said today.

Working closely with United Airlines and other airlines in the United States, Europe and Pacific Rim, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group has configured the 777 to meet demand for a Boeing jetliner sized between the company's 767-300 and 747-400. The proposed 360- to 390-seat aircraft will be the world's largest, most spacious two-engine passenger airliner.

A team of more than 3,400 Boeing employees is refining the new airplane's design and is on schedule with a comprehensive development program. Deliveries will begin in May 1995, which will support airline requirements for replacing older wide-body trijets.

The 777 design is driven by airline requirements and preferences. Among developments emerging from discussions with the carriers are:

-- A wing optimized for range and takeoff performance. Using the most efficient subsonic airfoil ever developed for commercial aviation, its wide-span design offers faster cruise speed, quicker climb-out and the ability to carry full passenger loads out of high-elevation, high-temperature airfields.

-- Compatibility with existing gate and taxiway space in crowded terminals. Boeing is preparing to build the airplane with upward-folding wingtips as an optional feature. This reduces the overall wing span of nearly 197 feet (60 m) to about 156 feet (47.5 m), or about the same as DC-10s, L-1011s and 767s currently in service.

-- The flight deck will incorporate the most technologically advanced features in a layout similar to the horizontal format of the new 747-400. In place of cathode ray tubes, new flat panel screens will display flight, navigation and engine information. The new displays will save space, weight and power while improving reliability.

-- An initial airplane that offers a standard maximum takeoff weight of 506,000 pounds (229,520 kg) with a range capability of up to 4,800 statute miles (7,700 km). The structural capability of the airplane allows an optional maximum takeoff weight of 515,000 pounds (233,600 kg).

-- A new family of 777 aircraft. Boeing is already proposing a longer range, 590,000-pound (267,620 kg) version of the airplane with the same physical dimensions as the initial models. It will carry 300 to 320 passengers in a tri-class arrangement on routes of up to 7,600 statute miles (12,230 km). The aircraft could be developed for even greater capability, including additional range or a stretched fuselage.

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#90302p0881 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORFOLK, VA. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Norfolk Southern (NYSE: NSC) has realigned its Engineering department to be consistent with the restructuring of its Transportation department announced earlier.

In an announcement of the changes, which took effect October 16, C.M. Irvin, vice president of Engineering, said H.L. Rose, formerly assistant vice president-Maintenance, becomes senior assistant vice president-Engineering and Planning. P.R. Ogden, previously chief engineer of line maintenance for the

Northern Region, succeeds Rose as assistant vice president-Maintenance.

Eastern Region line maintenance will be under G.W. Woods, chief engineer; D.E. Turney, also chief engineer, will be responsible for line maintenance in the Western Region.

Norfolk Southern had announced previously that the Northern Region was being abolished and all operations consolidated into the Eastern and Western regions.

CONTACT: Robert C. Fort, Assistant Vice President, 804-629-2714, or J. Don Piedmont, Director, 703-981-5407, both of the Public Relations Department, Norfolk Southern Corporation

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#90302p0883 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boston Five Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: BFCS), today reported that its subsidiary, The Boston Five Cents Savings Bank, FSB, had residential mortgage production for the month and 11 months ending Sept. 30, 1990, of $91.7 million and $953.9 million, respectively. For the comparable periods in 1989, The Boston Five originated residential mortgages totaling $112.9 million and $911.6 million, respectively.

With total assets of over $2 billion, The Boston Five is one of the largest savings banks headquartered in Massachusetts. It currently services approximately $1.9 billion in mortgage loans for investors. The Boston Five Bancorp, Inc. is the holding company of The Boston Five Cents Savings Bank FSB. It operates 15 loan offices in New England and 32 full-service offices in eastern Massachusetts. Under the name Pope Mortgage Company it also operates two residential morgage offices in the Carolinas.

CONTACT: Susan M. Reynolds, investor relations officer of The Boston Five, 617-742-6000, ext. 2107

-30- 1231

#90302p0890 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Chicago Board Options Exchange today announced it will begin trading options on Airborne Freight Corp. (NYSE: ABF) beginning Tuesday, Oct. 30.

Seattle-based Airborne Freight, an air freight carrier operating under the trade name Airborne Express, provides door-to-door service through its own air-ground transportation system and by purchase of space from other airlines. Foreign shipments accounted for 21 percent of 1989 revenues.

ABF options will trade on the February expiration cycle, with introductory months of November, December, February and May. Initial strike prices have

been set at 12-1/2, 15, 17-1/2 and 20. The Option Resource Group will serve as the Designated Primary Market Maker (DPM) in the option.

CBOE, regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, is the pioneer of listed options and the world's largest options marketplace.

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#90302p0904 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Service Corporation International (SCI)(NYSE: SRV) today reported income from continuing operations for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $13 million, representing a 78 percent increase over the third quarter of 1989. Current quarter's earnings per share from continuing operations doubled to $.28 per share from $.14 last year. Discontinued operations had no effect on net income in the third quarter of 1990, while the discontinued operations in the third quarter of 1989 contributed $.01 per share to the net income of $.15 per share. Revenues from continuing operations increased by $5 million, or 4 percent, to $129 million during the current quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, income from continuing operations increased to $45 million, or $.95 per share, from $40 million, or $.77 per share, reported for the same period last year.

SERVICE CORPORATION INTERNATIONAL
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME
(Unaudited, in thousands, except per share amounts)

Periods ended Sept. 30:	Nine months 1990	Nine months 1989 (Restated)	Three months 1990	Three months 1989 (Restated)
Revenues:				
Funeral	$287,855	$271,776	$ 85,390	$ 88,054
Cemetery	119,350	106,103	39,405	33,884
Financial services	11,451	4,510	4,239	2,102
Total	418,656	382,389	129,034	124,040
Cost and expenses:				
Funeral	203,119	192,013	62,125	66,236
Cemetery	95,878	86,716	31,997	29,047
Financial services	8,102	3,170	2,956	1,431
Subtotal	307,099	281,899	97,078	96,714
Total	111,557	100,490	31,956	27,326
Gen. and admin. expense	(20,712)	(20,641)	(7,486)	(7,084)
Income from operations	90,845	79,849	24,470	20,242
Interest expense	(27,410)	(23,929)	(9,036)	(7,741)
Income from corporate				

investments	5,205	4,839	2,163	1,385
Gains from dispositions	6,748	1,306	2,388	19
Gain on subsidiary sale of stock	--	4,254	--	--
Total	(15,457)	(13,530)	(4,485)	(6,337)
Income from cont. operations before taxes and preferred dividend requirement	75,388	66,319	19,985	13,905
Provision for income taxes	27,000	24,300	7,000	5,100
Income from cont. operations before preferred dividend requirement	48,388	42,019	12,985	8,805
Preferred div. requirement	3,314	4,969	--	1,821
Income from cont. operations available to common shareholders	45,074	37,050	12,985	6,984
Income from discontinued operations, net of taxes	--	2,824	--	302
Net income available to common shareholders	$ 45,074	$ 39,874	$ 12,985	$ 7,286
Wtd. avg. no. of common shares	47,665	48,261	46,553	48,318
Earnings per common share:				
Income from continuing operations	$ .95	$ .77	$ .28	$ .14
Income from discontinued operations	--	.06	--	.01
Net Income	$ .95	$ .83	$ .28	$ .15

CONTACT: Bill Barrett of Service Corporation International, 713-525-5497, or Jerry Wattel of Burson-Marsteller, 212-614-4007, for Service Corporation International

-30- 3896

#90302p0909 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT.29) PR NEWSWIRE - BJ Services Co. (NYSE: BJS) announced today that a jury in U.S. District Court in Midland, Texas awarded a judgement of $124 million in favor of Parker & Parsley and other plaintiffs and against BJ Services in a suit alleging overcharges in services performed by BJ Services and its predecessor Titan Services Inc. The plaintiffs in the lawsuit were limited partnerships controlled by Parker & Parsley Petroleum Corp. of Midland Texas. At the time of the alleged actions by BJ Services, BJ Services was a partnership owned 72 percent by Baker Hughes and 28 percent by Dresser Industries. In addition, the jury also awarded $61 million against Dresser Industries, the former owner of Titan Services Inc. for the same activities during the period prior to the time of ownership by BJ Services. Titan Services is now a part of BJ Services. Baker Hughes previously agreed, in

connection with its public sale of BJ Services, to indemnify BJ Services for the amount any judgement in the suit exceeds the reserved amounts which BJ Services has for damages from such lawsuit. A spokesman for BJS indicated that it intends to vigorously appeal the verdict.

BJS is a leading provider of oilfield cementing and stimulation services throughout the world.

CONTACT: Rob Coons of BJ Services Co., 713-462-4239

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#90302p0914 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Today, Oct. 29, the United States and Italy are even closer, thanks to the first nonstop flight linking Italy and Florida.

Alitalia will now have a new destination -- Miami -- with three weekly flights from Rome and Milan.

The flights will utilize Boeing 747s, with a total capacity of 1,062 seats per week in the three classes: top, business, and economy.

Every Monday, Thursday and Saturday, flight AZ618 will depart from Rome at 9:30 a.m. for Milan; it will leave Milan at 11:35 a.m. for Miami, where it is scheduled to arrive at 4 p.m. local time.

The return trip, AZ631, will leave Miami at 6:35 p.m. on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays, and will arrive in Rome at 10 a.m. local time the next day.

Miami airport, now open to Alitalia, thanks to the ratification of a bilateral agreement between Italy and the United States, is a principal U.S. gateway.

From Miami, Alitalia passengers will be able to travel to Orlando, Tampa, Jacksonville, Key West and the Bahamas.

Miami, a popular American vacation spot, is the departure point for some of the more significant Florida destinations, namely Walt Disney World, Sea World Cape Canaveral and Epcot Center.

So as to increase awareness of this particular "corner" of the United States, Alitalia, in collaboration with the most prestigious tourist operators, is developing a series of travel packages targeted to young people, business people, and families.

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-30- 1685

#90302p0919 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Minera Rayrock Inc. (Toronto: MRN) announced today that final court approval has been obtained for its plan of arrangement to merge with Westlake Industries Ltd. (Vancouver: WLK).

Under the arrangement, Westlake will amalgamate with a wholly-owned subsidiary of Minera and Westlake shareholders will receive 11 Minera shares for every 20 shares of Westlake held. The effective date of the arrangement will be on or about Oct. 31, 1990.

Minera Rayrock Inc. is an exploration and mining development company active in Chile and Costa Rica. It currently has two advanced projects being evaluated for mine development -- the Ivan copper property in northern Chile and the Bellavista gold-silver property in Costa Rica.

CONTACT: Jane Wilson of Minera Rayrock, 416-489-0022, or Lindsay Semple of Westlake, 604-683-7770

-30- 1041

#90302p0920 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - CCAIR, Inc., doing business as USAir Express (NASDAQ: CCAR) today announced that on Oct. 26, 1990 the U.S. Bankruptcy Court approved the appointment of Kenneth Gann as the new president and chief executive officer of CCAIR, effective Nov. 1, 1990. Gann succeeds Roy Hagerty, who has been president and chief executive officer of CCAIR since its inception in 1984. Hagerty will remain a director of CCAIR and will serve as a consultant to the company through the end of 1991.

Prior to his appointment as president of CCAIR, Gann served as chief operating officer and vice president for customer service of MGM Grand Air.

CONTACT: Alex Coffin of Coffin Associates, 704-333-2348

-30- 895

#90302p0922 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Georgia-Pacific Corp.'s (NYSE: GP) board of directors today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share on the company's common stock.

The dividend is payable Dec. 10 to shareholders of record Nov. 16.

CONTACT: Sheila Weidman, 404-521-4732 or Terry Hadaway, 404-521-4703, both of Georgia-Pacific Corp.

-30- 524

#90302p0923 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Clifford H. Frame, chairman of Curragh Resources Inc. (NYSE: CZP), announced today that Asturiana de Zinc, S.A., of Madrid has completed its purchase of 1,606,302 subordinate voting shares of Curragh Resources Inc.

The proceeds of the sale are comprised of two amounts: Cdn. $35 million for the shares and an additional Cdn. $6.4 million arising from price adjustments paid by Asturiana de Zinc during the period from June 1, 1989, to Oct. 29, 1990.

Curragh Resources Inc. is a major producer of zinc and lead concentrates. In Canada it is the second largest producer of zinc concentrate and the largest producer of lead concentrates in the western world. It ranks with the six largest producers of these concentrates, and holds a 20 percent equity interest in Asturiana de Zinc, which operated one of the largest integrated smelters in Europe.

Curragh Resources Inc. is a publicly traded company listed on the New York, Toronto and Montreal Stock Exchanges.

CONTACT: Clifford H. Frame, chairman, or George Whyte, vice chairman, both of Curragh Resources, 416-363-7111

-30- 1283

#90302p0928 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANDOVER, MD. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Applied Research Corporation (ARC) (PHLX: ARL, ARLX, ARL X, ARL.X) announced today that a set of its Earth Horizon and Sun Sensors have been successfully operated in space for the second time. Both sensors were used to determine the attitude for the Shuttle Solar Backscatter Ultraviolet (SSBUV) experiment on board the last Discovery mission during October.

Further, ARC received inquiries about sensors, including price and delivery status, during the last few weeks, from eight aerospace firms. One of these was from Aerospatiale in Europe. They recently have initiated the development of a new family of small low earth spacecraft and are now investigating potential suppliers for sun, horizon and star sensors to be used for attitude control of these spacecraft.

ARC also announced today that circumstances have presented the opportunity for significant growth through a series of available strategic acquisitions. As a result, ARC has engaged CCRI Corporation and a special consultant, William R. Parsons, for purposes of securing financing in the $2 million to $3 million range. This capital infusion will not only facilitate valuable acquisitions, but it will also be used for working capital. A state-of-the-art space instrumentation fabrication facility will also be set up.

ARC has recently been awarded, negotiated and signed the following contracts:

-- ARC has signed a contract for $300,000 for ongoing work with the Department of Defense.

-- ARC has been awarded two grants worth $190,000 by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to study astronomical and space physics problems.

-- ARC will support new scientific tasks from Lockheed, Palo Alto, Calif., related to Solar A and SOHO satellites. The work is already in progress. ARC anticipates that this work will be for about $850,000 over four years.

-- ARC has negotiated a three-year contract for $170,000 with the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif. This contract is connected with the observations obtained from SIR-C and X-SAR systems.

CONTACT: Dr. S.P.S. Anand, president and CEO, Applied Research Corporation, 301-459-8442, or Malcolm McGuire of CCRI Corporation, 602-954-8883 or 303-355-1156

-30- 2445

#90302p0930 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to fire truck operators' requests for improved vehicle stopping capabilities under demanding operating conditions, the On-Highway Products organization of Rockwell International Corp.'s Automotive Operations has entered into a marketing agreement with Telma Retarder Inc., a subsidiary of Labinal Inc., based in Hayward, Calif.

Announced here at the 1990 SAE International Truck & Bus Meeting & Exposition, the agreement combines the strengths of Rockwell's market leadership and sales support network with Telma's product and technical expertise in the retarder market. Vehicle applications will expand to school buses, recreational vehicles and other commercial specialty vehicles in the future.

Effective immediately, fire truck operators will be able to specify new vehicles with a combination of a Rockwell single rear drive axle and a Telma Focal(R) Series electromagnetic retarder through virtually all North American fire truck original equipment manufacturers (OEMs). Retarders will be offered for selected members of Rockwell's premium RS-series single-reduction axle family, ranging from 13,000 to 30,000 pounds gross axle weight rating (GAWR).

"Rockwell is evolving its drivetrain offerings into one-stop shopping for vehicle operators, and this new agreement lets us provide another value-added component to our lineup of fully dressed axles," said Rockwell's Robert M. Adams, director -- sales and marketing for On- Highway Products' Axle business.

"Telma is looking forward to further expanding its market presence in retarders, particularly in North American fire trucks, through this new agreement," stated Gerard Habib, Telma's vice president of North American Operations, noting Telma's large market presence in Europe, where the company has been a leading supplier of retarders for coaches and other medium- and heavy-duty vehicles for over 40 years.

A retarder helps vehicle operators maintain and reduce speed without activating the foundation brakes. It helps lower operating temperatures at brakes, wheels and tires, which results in decreasing maintenance costs without sacrificing performance.

The Focal Series retarder is bolted directly on the rear axle and connected to a vehicle's driveline. It operates on the principle of electromagnetic eddy currents, which introduces a retarding torque through a driveline-mounted, retarder stator/rotor mechanism to slow the wheels on the axle.

When activated, the rotors slow the driveline while dissipating kinetic heat energy. Because the retarder applies virtually no friction on moving parts, vehicle operators can experience reliable and smooth braking under various operating conditions, as well as minimize maintenance requirements.

Rockwell International (NYSE: ROK) is a $12 billion, multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses.

CONTACT: Mike Pennington of Rockwell Automotive, 313-435-1933

-30- 3259

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Wetterau Inc. (NASDAQ: WETT) announced today that is proposed offering of $75 million in convertible subordinated debentures is being withdrawn because of general market conditions.

CONTACT: Dick N. Dalton, 314-595-4100; or Ronald S. Humiston, 314-595-1750, both of Wetterau Inc.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT 29) PR NEWSWIRE - On Oct. 29, 1990, the board of directors of Fletcher Challenge Investments Inc. (Toronto: FCC) declared that a cash dividend of $0.9041894 per share upon the issued and outstanding Series 1 Exchangeable Shares of the company be and the same is hereby declared payable on Nov. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record of the company holding Series 1 Exchangeable Shares of the company as at the close of business on Nov. 6, 1990.

CONTACT: Stu Clugston of Fletcher Challenge Investments Inc., 604-654-4463

-30- 725

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BOISE, IDAHO (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - In a joint statement released today, Edmund J. Keane Jr., president and chief executive officer of Key Bank of Idaho, and James H. McLaughlin, chairman of Treasure Valley Bancorp Inc., announced an agreement has been reached in principle for the merger of Treasure Valley Bancorp Inc. into Key Bancshares of Idaho Inc. and the merger of Treasure Valley Bank into Key Bank of Idaho.

The transaction is subject to the approval of all applicable regulatory authorities, the execution of a definitive merger agreement, satisfactory completion of due diligence and the approval of the shareholders of Treasure Valley Bancorp. The terms of the transaction were not disclosed. The merger is tentatively scheduled to become effective late in the first quarter or early in the second quarter of 1991.

McLaughlin noted, "we are pleased to be working with Key Bank. This merger, which is in the best interest of Treasure Valley Bank and its shareholders, will enhance southwestern Idaho's banking community and offer many benefits to the consumer."

"We are very excited about the expansion of Key Bank of Idaho into new markets presently served by Treasure Valley Bank," said Keane. "Management teams from both banks will be working closely to combine the institutions to maximize their effort in each market while insuring continued commitment to outstanding customer service."

Treasure Valley Bancorp Inc. is a subsidiary of Equimark Corp. (NYSE: EQK), a diversified financial services institution with total assets of approximately $3.5 billion.

Key Bank of Idaho is a subsidiary of KeyCorp (NYSE: KEY), a multiregional bank holding company headquartered in Albany, N.Y. with assets of $20 billion. It has focused its banking expansion activities in the Northeast and Northwest. Pursuing a middle market target, KeyCorp has concentrated its resources in cities and smaller communities of the Northern tier of states, thus avoiding overcrowded marketplaces and single industry loan exposure. Key Bank of Idaho serves customers statewide through a network of 30 branch locations. Key Bank of Idaho recently announced the signing of a definitive agreement for the merger of Valley Bank headquartered in Idaho Falls.

CONTACT: James H. McLaughlin, chairman of board, Treasure Valley Bancorp Inc., 412-288-5154; Joyce L. Stump of Equibank, 412-288-5932; or Lynn A. Walhof of Key Bank of Idaho, 208-344-7351

-30- 2649
#90302p0947 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
ANN ARBOR, MICH. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Gelman Sciences Inc. (AMEX: GSC) reported a net loss of $1.95 million, or $0.84 per share for its fiscal year ended July 31, 1990. This compares with net income of $2.37 million, or $0.98 per share for the prior fiscal year. During fiscal year 1990, net sales for the company grew 3 percent to $73.3 million as compared with $71.1 million in fiscal year 1989.

Net sales for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 were $18.5 million, the same as the fourth quarter one year prior. The net loss in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 was $2.35 million, or $1.01 per share, compared with net income of $721,000, or $0.29 per share for the same period of the previous fiscal year.

As previously reported, financial results for fiscal year 1990 were adversely affected by lower than planned sales, poor performance of the company's Australian subsidiary due to the severe economic downturn in that country, and greater than anticipated expenses.

The company has taken significant steps to reverse its losses and recover its profitability in fiscal year 1991, including staffing reductions during the second half of fiscal 1990, management reorganization, moves to divest areas of its Australian operations that do not pertain to its core business of microfiltration, and additional cost-containment measures.

Gelman Sciences is a worldwide leader in the research, development, and manufacture of microfiltration products used in research and clinical laboratories, health care facilities, and industrial separation processes.

CONTACT: Robert L. Buker of Gelman Sciences Inc., 313-668-8404

-30- 1834
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RESTON, Va. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Systems Center, Inc. (NYSE: SMX) today reported revenues of $27.8 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, up 69 percent from $16.4 million for the same period in 1989. Net income decreased to $1,206,000 (12 cents per share), compared with $1,803,000 (18 cents per share) for the third quarter last year. Results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, reflect an after-tax gain of $702,000 (7 cents per share) from the divestiture of the company's DB2 relational database software business.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenue increased 34 percent to $67.8 million from $50.5 million for the first nine months of 1989. Net loss

for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $2,426,000 (24 cents per share), compared to net income of $6,418,000 (64 cents per share) for the same period last year.

Net loss through Sept. 30, 1990, included a one-time pre-tax charge of $3,041,000 (23 cents per share) for costs associated with the purchase of NET/MASTER products. Net income through Sept. 30, 1989, included a one-time adjustment of $640,000 (6 cents per share) for a change in the method of accounting for income taxes recorded during the first quarter of 1989.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Robert E. Cook stated, "Our third quarter results reflect a marked improvement from the second quarter, and are indicative of growing momentum in all of our markets."

Systems Center, Inc., founded in 1981, develops, markets and supports network and systems software. The international company offers over 50 products, including NET/MASTER for network and systems management; Network DataMover for data transfer among multiple operating environments; VMCENTER II for IBM's VM operating system; and AS/CENTER for IBM's AS/400.

CONTACT: Kevin McNerney of Systems Center, Inc., 703-264-8000

-30- 2061

#90302p0972 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - In commenting on Standard & Poor's reference to alternative financing options, Orion Pictures Corp. (NYSE: OPC) stated that with the support of its principal shareholder Metromedia Co., it had engaged the investment banking firm of Salomon Brothers Inc. to assist the company in evaluating strategic alternatives including the securing of additional equity capital from interested domestic and international sources. The company will be seeking to secure such equity funding within the next six to nine months.

CONTACT: Michael Keller of Orion Pictures, 213-282-0550

-30- 785

#90302p0974 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Grant Street National Bank (in Liquidation) reported today that collections on assets during the three months ended Sept. 30 were $64 million and exceeded the adjusted cost basis of the assets liquidated by $5 million.

After giving recognition to financing costs, expenses, taxes and dividends accrued on outstanding senior preferred stock, net assets allocable to shareholders' equity declined slightly over $1 million during the quarter. Shareholders' equity was $36 million at quarter end.

Collections during the quarter included liquidation of Grant Street's two largest assets and the balance of its residential mortgage portfolio. William B. Eagleson Jr., chairman, president and chief executive officer, noted that assets remaining at Sept. 30 represented only 10 percent of the portfolio originally purchased and were almost entirely real estate related.

Significant redemptions of senior preferred stock occurred during the quarter reducing the outstanding balance of that issue to $26.3 million at Sept. 30.

CONTACT: Robert L. Logan of Grant Street National, 412-391-3769

-30- 1295

#90302p0979 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) today announced that David R. Proctor has been named executive vice president, product development.

Proctor, 49, joined Ashton-Tate in May 1990 as vice president and general manager of Ashton-Tate's Database Division, with responsibility for development and marketing of the company's database management product line and long-range strategic planning.

In his new role, Proctor gains responsibility for the company's other PC and Macintosh software products, including word processing, integrated decision support, spreadsheet, graphics and software utilities programs.

Proctor will continue reporting directly to Ashton-Tate President William P. Lyons.

"Since Dave joined Ashton-Tate, his division has successfully shipped a faster more reliable version of our flagship dBASE IV product and made significant progress toward porting dBASE IV to other hardware platforms and operating systems," said Lyons. "With Dave's extensive management and technical experience, Ashton-Tate will be able to continue delivering industry-leading products that meet our customers' needs."

Prior to joining Ashton-Tate, Proctor spent over 23 years at IBM Corp., including four years in Tokyo serving as Asia Pacific director for IBM's Asian products. Other positions during his tenure at IBM included director of telecommunications and systems manager for host office systems. He also headed program development for IBM's Federal Systems Division, with responsibility for the space shuttle's on- board and simulation systems.

Before joining IBM, Proctor worked for Rocketdyne, a division of Rockwell International. He holds a master of science degree in mathematics from Standard University and a bachelor of science degree from the University of Oklahoma.

Headquartered in Torrance, Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software.

CONTACT: Linda Duttenhaver, 213-538-7011, or Jill Kramer, 213-538-7345, both of Ashton-Tate

-30- 2282

#90302p0982 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOHEMIA, N.Y. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Symbol Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: SBL), today announced the strengthening of its selling channels with the signing of an international OEM agreement with Siemens Nixdorf, headquartered in Paderborn, Germany.

Siemens Nixdorf is the leading European supplier of point-of-sale scanning systems with a major presence throughout Europe and approaching a 60 percent market share of the large and expanding German market. The three year agreement calls for Symbol to supply its LS 2000 hand-held laser scanners to interface with their retail point-of-sale terminals. Symbol has already received orders for over 2,000 scanners from Siemens Nixdorf under the agreement.

"With the increasing importance of bar code applications in Europe, the OEM relationship with Siemens Nixdorf is a key step in aligning ourselves with the leading companies in that marketplace," explained Tomo Razmilovic, Symbol's managing director of European operations.

Symbol Technologies, Inc., is the world leader in bar code-based data capture systems with over one million scanners and terminals installed. The company designs, manufactures and markets bar code reading equipment, portable data terminals and radio frequency data communications products which are used as strategic building blocks in data collection systems for retail, manufacturing distribution, military, health care and many other applications.

CONTACT: Michael G. Archambault of Symbol Technologies, 516-244-4632

-30- 1688

#90302p0984 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Unicorp American Corporation (AMEX: UAC) announced today its financial results for the third quarter of 1990, which include the financial results of The Lincoln Savings Bank, FSB (the "Bank").

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported revenues of $58.5 million and a net loss of $26.5 million. This compares with revenues of $66.9 million and a net loss of $43.8 million for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported revenues of $187.4 million and a net loss of $28.1 million. This compares with revenues of $198.2 million and a net loss of $43.6 million for the same period in 1989.

For the third quarter of 1990, the company reported a net loss attributable to common shareholders of $26.7 million or $1.54 per share, as compared to a net loss of $44.0 million or $2.54 per share for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss attributable to common shareholders of $28.8 million or $1.66 per share, as compared to a net loss of $44.2 million or $2.55 per share for the same period in 1989.

The company's results of operations for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 reflect an additional provision by the bank for loan losses in the amount of $27.1 million. Furthermore, additional writedowns of certain equity investments and trading securities in the amount of $3.2 million and $2.3 million, respectively, were recognized in the same period. After giving effect to these additional provisions, the bank continues to remain in compliance with its current regulatory capital requirements.

CONTACT: Laurie J. Becker of Unicorp American Corporation, 212-972-6100

-30- 1934

#90302p0986 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Matchbox Group Ltd. (NYSE: UMG) today reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter decreased 7.7 percent to $61.8 million from $66.9 million in the third quarter of 1989. The decrease in sales was due primarily to a reduction in contract manufacturing volume partially offset by increased Matchbox(R) core product sales.

Net income in the 1990 third quarter was $0.1 million or $0.01 per share compared to $1.1 million or $0.11 per share in 1989. Gross profit margin increased slightly to 41.7 percent of sales from 40.9 percent of sales in 1989. Advertising and promotion expenses increased $1 million in the third quarter compared to the corresponding quarter last year. There was a $0.3 million loss on foreign exchange in the quarter vs. a $0.6 million gain in 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net sales decreased 10.6 percent to $140 million compared with $156.6 million in the same period in 1989. Net loss was $5.5 million or $0.57 per share in the current nine months compared to net loss of $6.6 million or $0.68 per share in the previous year's nine months. Gross profit margin decreased to 40.8 percent of sales from 41.8 percent of sales last year. Advertising and promotion expenses decreased $1.2 million

compared to the same period last year. Other selling, general and administrative expenses decreased $4.2 million compared to 1989. Interest expense decreased to $7.4 million from $7.9 million last year. On foreign exchange, there was a marginal gain in the first nine months vs. a $0.2 million loss in 1989.

As a result of a change in the company's United States factoring arrangements, receivables and short-term bank borrowings have been reduced by approximately $16 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

Universal Matchbox Group Ltd. is one of the world's leading toy companies. The company designs, manufactures and markets toys in more than 120 countries. The company is also a leading contract manufacturer for other major international toy companies.

CONTACT: Phillip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400 for Universal Matchbox

-30- 2401

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Philadelphia Stock Exchange (PHLX) announced that it will begin trading put and call options on Airborne Freight, under the ticker symbol "ABF," and put and call options on Smith International under the ticker symbol "SII," beginning Tuesday, Oct. 30, 1990.

The PHLX is the nation's oldest securities exchange and is celebrating its bicentennial this year. Founded in 1790, the PHLX originated trading in foreign currency options and today is the world's largest exchange traded market for these options.

CONTACT: Nancy Himmelreich of PHLX, 215-496-5200 or Chris Cosentino of Weiser Minkus Walek Communications, 212-684-4440, for PHLX

-30- 860

#90302p0990 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, N.C. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Firstcorp, Inc. (AMEX: FCR) today announced the following developments:

I. Capital Plan Status Firstcorp's subsidiary, First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Durham (FFD), has met all minimum capital requirements as of September 30, 1990; therefore, FFD will withdraw its capital plan previously filed with the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS).

The previously filed capital plan of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Raleigh, Firstcorp's other subsidiary, is still under review by the OTS.

II. Changes in the Board of Directors Karl G. Hudson, Jr., Interim Chairman of Firstcorp, Inc., announced that Walker S. Stone and J. Nelson Strawbridge, who serve on the boards of directors of Firstcorp and FFD, had submitted their resignations from the board of directors of Firstcorp. Messrs. Stone and Strawbridge will continue to serve on the board of directors of FFD. Mr. Hudson stated Willard G. Ross, acting president of Firstcorp, has been appointed to the board of directors of Firstcorp.

Firstcorp is the parent company of 1st Federal of Raleigh, 1st Federal of Durham and 1st Security of Pinehurst. Firstcorp's subsidiaries operate twenty-two full service offices in four counties in North Carolina which include the Research Triangle and Sandhills areas. Firstcorp's Class A Common Stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol FCR.

CONTACT: Willard G. Ross, Acting President and CEO, Firstcorp, Inc., 919-831-4200

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#90302p0992 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The United Steelworkers of America (USW) announced today that it had reached tentative agreement on a new contract with Stelco Inc. that provides major advances, including the indexing of pensions.

Leo Gerard, director of USW District 6 in Toronto, said the agreement -- covering about 10,000 USW members -- "makes sure that the future for Stelco workers is absolutely a better one."

The USW struck Stelco Aug. 1 in a dispute over cost-of-living wage protection, pension increases, pension indexing, the contracting out of work, and monetary protection in layoff or early retirement situations.

"These five major objectives were left outstanding when talks broke off in late July," Gerard said. "All of these objectives have been met in the new agreement."

The settlement must be ratified by the membership.

CONTACT: USW Communications Department, 412-562-2442

-30- 1083

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - In a filing today with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, USAir withdrew its earlier request for permission to terminate its USAir Express Agreement with CCAir.

USAir said it is willing to give the new management of CCAir time to attempt to resolve the performance reliability problems that prompted the Oct. 15 motion to end the agreement.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, 703-418-5100, or 213-417-1294 (Western Region)

-30- 616

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HOUSTON (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Baroid Corporation announced today that the separation of its petroleum services business and its titanium metals and bentonite mining businesses into two publicly-traded companies has become effective. The company is distributing all of the stock of its wholly-owned subsidiary, New Baroid Corporation, to the company's stockholders on the basis of one share of New Baroid common stock for each share of the company's common stock held of record at today's close of business. The company has changed its name to "Tremont Corporation" and New Baroid has changed its name to "Baroid Corporation." Effective Oct. 30, 1990, the company is changing the symbol under which the company common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange to "TRE" and the New Baroid common stock will be listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "BRC."

An information statement describing the separation and containing additional information concerning the company and New Baroid is being mailed to the company's stockholders today. Accompanying the information statement will be a form for company stockholders to use in transmitting their old company stock certificates to the transfer agent. Upon delivery of their old stock certificates, stockholders will be sent a certificate representing one share of New Baroid common stock for each share of company common stock held of record at today's close of business. The old Baroid stock certificate will be reissued bearing the name "Tremont Corporation."

CONTACT: Robert P. Wallace of Baroid, 713-987-5186

-30- 1788

#90302p1002 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, WASH. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Pacific Telecom Inc. (PTI) (NASDAQ: PTCM) announced today the election of Theodore D. Berns as president and chief operating Officer (COO) and James H. Huesgen as executive vice president and chief financial officer (CFO). Berns and Huesgen will report to Charles E. Robinson who will continue as chief executive officer and chairman of the board.

Berns will assume overall responsibility for Pacific Telecom's principal business units including local telephone operating companies, the Alaska long distance company, Alascom Inc. and PTI's international communications

subsidiaries.

Huesgen will be responsible for all accounting, treasury, information services and financial planning/business development activities of Pacific Telecom.

In announcing the new appointments, Robinson stated, "Mr. Berns and Mr. Huesgen bring to their new positions the creativity and leadership which will be essential to ensure the continued growth and financial success of our company into the 1990s and beyond. I am confident of their success and I extend to them my most sincere congratulations."

Prior to the new appointments, Berns and Huesgen served as vice presidents of Pacific Telecom.

Based in Vancouver, Pacific Telecom is one of the nation's largest nonbell telecommunications companies. PTI local telephone operations serve over 330,000 customer access lines in 10 states, and its Alaska long distance company, Alascom Inc. operates an extensive network of facilities, including its own communications satellite, within the nation's largest state. The company's international operations include majority ownership in TRT/FTC Communications Inc., the nation's fourth largest international communications carrier; and Pacific Telecom Cable Inc., the major participant in the North Pacific Cable now being constructed to provide the first direct undersea fiber optic connection between the United States and Japan.

Pacific Telecom Inc. is a PacifiCorp Company (NYSE: PPW).

CONTACT: Brian M. Wirkkala of Pacific Telecom Inc., 206-696-0983

-30- 2302

#90302p1008 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Alcan Aluminium Limited (NYSE: AL) announced today that it has filed the final prospectus relating to its previously announced public offering in Canada of CDN$125 million of 12.45 percent debentures, due 1997. The debentures are priced at par to yield 12.45 percent. The company has agreed to swap the gross proceeds into US$107.3 million at an effective interest rate of 9.82 percent. Wood Gundy Inc. and RBC Dominion Securities Inc. are co-underwriters of the offering.

CONTACT: Fernand A. Leclerc of Alcan, 514-848-8114

-30- 728

#90302p1015 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - In early 1991, L.A. Gear will introduce a revolutionary new line of high technology shoes featuring outsoles, midsoles and inserts using a new an unique polyurethane technology. "L.A. Gear's new

product innovation also represents an entirely new era in footwear technology " according to L.A. Gear President Robert Greenberg.

As a result, L.A. Gear Inc. has entered into an exclusive license with UTI Chemicals Inc. of Irvine, Calif. to use their patented manufacturing method and unique polyurethane compound, "Z-thane." The new technology will first be implemented on the company's new Catapult basketball shoe line featuring the "Power Feedback System" which will be produced next year. Initially, the outsole will be seen on the Catapult shoes, but L.A. Gear has future plans to use the technology on other shoes, as well.

Catapult will debut in an unprecedented, full-blown media campaign starring Utah Jazz power forward Karl "The Mailman" Malone during the Super Bowl game in January.

UTI's patented method and special polyurethane compound can produce outsoles in a vast array of vibrant hues; clearly a visual advantage that no other current technology offers. In addition, the polyurethane allows L.A. Gear to blend transparent outsoles and inserts with opaque colors, creating unique combinations that enable the consumer to see the Catapult technology in action.

L.A. Gear will manufacture the Catapult shoe's outsoles, midsoles and inserts in South Korea. L.A. Gear will be the only shoe company to use this superior technology.

Some advantages of this patented method and unique polyurethane material over current techniques are:

-- EQUIPMENT COSTS. Capital equipment investment is one-tenth that of rubber, so the payback is considerably faster.

-- WASTE MANAGEMENT. This technology controls waste to under 1 percent while rubber technology runs 5 percent to 15 percent.

-- REUSABLE MATERIAL. UTI's non-toxic products can be shredded and recycled for other applications while rubber is extremely difficult to dispose of without doing marked environmental harm.

-- STRENGTH AND DURABILITY. This innovative new urethane is literally four times stronger than the rubber used for automobile tires.

The patented process took over 10 years of dedicated research and development, according to UTI Chairman Richard Steinke. "UTI has several machines creating products in the market place today, including airless 'flatproof' tires and custom automotive parts. We are looking forward to working with L.A. Gear in their application of polyurethane first in the extraordinary Catapult line, and thereafter in other footwear lines."

Based in Los Angeles, L.A. Gear markets and designs fashion performance footwear, apparel and accessories. The company is currently the third largest footwear manufacturer in the nation.

CONTACT: Stephanie Burchfield of L.A. Gear, 213-574-4202.

-30- 3159

#90302p1031 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MC MILLIN, WASH. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Fletcher Challenge Canada, a major integrated forest company based in Vancouver, British Columbia, has acquired an interest in Commencement Bay Corrugated Inc., a manufacturer of corrugated packaging located in McMillin, Wash.

Under an agreement announced today, Commencement Bay's previous co-owners, Pacific Container Corporation and Seattle Box Company, will continue as shareholders in the company.

Commencement Bay produces about 275 million square feet a year of corrugated packaging products, marketed mainly in the Seattle-Tacoma area. It employs 85 people.

Dennis Day, vice-president of Fletcher Challenge Canada's Crown Packaging division, said the purchase strengthens his company's strategic position in the Pacific Northwest packaging industry, and will provide greater manufacturing flexibility as well as increased purchasing power.

Ferd Nist of Seattle Box Company said Commencement Bay Corrugated will benefit from the technical expertise and financial resources of the larger Canadian company. Both he and John Kiehl of Pacific Container Corporation will continue as directors of Commencement Bay Corrugated, Inc.

Fletcher Challenge Canada is a subsidiary of Fletcher Challenge Limited of New Zealand. Its Crown Packaging division operates plants in Richmond and Kelowna, B.C., which annually produce 74,000 metric tons (roughly equivalent to 1.04 billion square feet) of corrugated packaging and converted paper products.

CONTACT: Ferd Nist of Seattle Box Company, 206-854-9700

-30- 1758

#90302p1032 10/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CONN. (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Finevest Foods, Inc. (NYSE: FVF) today announced that it had filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering its previously announced rights offering. In the proposed offering each holder of the company's common stock (on a record date to be determined) will receive, for each share of common stock

held, one right to subscribe for additional shares of common stock. Each right will entitle the holder to purchase one-and-one-quarter (1.25) shares of common stock at the subscription price of $3.00 per share. The registration statement reflects the terms of the proposed offering as approved by the company's board of directors, which terms were revised from the originally announced proposal under which stockholders would have been entitled to subscribe to purchase one share of common stock for each share they owned at a price of $4.00 per share. Today, the closing price for the company's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange was $3.75 per share. If fully subscribed, the proceeds of the offering will be $39,750,000.

The record date for the offering will be established after the registration statement has been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission. The offering will commence shortly after the record date and will remain open for a subscription period of 16 days.

William R. Berkley, chairman of the board of directors of the company, has announced his intention to subscribe and pay for the full amount of 6,792,188 shares of common stock in respect of which he is issued rights. Berkley currently owns 51.3 percent of the outstanding common stock of the company.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange commission, but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold, nor may offers to buy be accepted, prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of such securities, in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful, prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

Finevest Foods, Inc., is a leading wholesale distributor of frozen foods and dairy products in the southeastern United States and is one of that region's largest processors of fluid milk, ice cream and other related dairy products.

CONTACT: Mel P. Melsheimer, chief financial officer of Finevest Foods, 203-629-8014, or Steve Barach of G.A. Kraut Company, 212-696-5600, for Finevest Foods

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HOUSTON (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Pennzoil Co. (NYSE: PZL) reported 1990 third quarter net income totalling $26.4 million, or 66 cents per share, down from the $35.4 million, or 87 cents per share, earned in the same quarter a year ago.

For the nine-month period ended September 30, the company reported net income of $63.8 million, or $1.62 per share. This compares to net income of $206

million, or $5.36 per share, for the comparable 1989 period. Included in 1989 results was an after-tax gain of $86.8 million, or $2.39 per share, on the sale of Burlington Resources Inc. common stock.

Revenues for the 1990 third quarter were $615.4 million, up from $542.3 million for the same period a year ago. For the 1990 nine-month period, revenues were $1.7 billion vs. $1.8 billion in 1989.

Pennzoil President and Chief Executive Officer James L. Pate explained that higher crude oil costs, resulting from the Middle East crisis, reduced operating income for the refinery segment. "Pennzoil's motor oil sales in the third quarter were at an all-time high," he said, "but we were unable to adjust product prices to fully recover the surge in crude costs."

In the oil and gas segment, improved oil revenues were offset by reduced gas revenues reflecting lower prices and sales volumes. "In contrast to higher crude prices, natural gas prices and demand were down in the third quarter. Since Pennzoil is a major producer of natural gas, our earnings were negatively impacted by this situation," he said. "However, natural gas prices and volumes are improving with seasonal demand." Pate added that operating income was also reduced by additional well workover expenses.

"Operating income from the sulphur segment was up slightly with increased sales volumes more than offsetting lower prices," he noted. "Sulphur prices have been recovering, however, and are currently above levels of a year ago.

"Although our third quarter results were adversely affected by price conditions, programs initiated in mid-year are producing operating efficiencies that will better position Pennzoil for the future."

He said that streamlining the marketing distribution system, consolidating the work force, establishing a new management team and implementing a technology-based strategy to fully exploit the company's oil and gas reserves are examples of the programs that are focused on improving the company's core businesses and operating income.

"Our main objectives remain the improvement of the company's competitiveness and ability to better adapt to volatile prices. We are making progress towards the achievement of these goals, and the benefits of our initiatives, especially our aggressive oil and gas development program, should become more apparent in the months ahead."

Chevron Investment Pennzoil owns approximately nine percent of Chevron Corp. outstanding common stock. Pennzoil's reported earnings for the third quarter and nine-month periods in 1990 include the dividends received from this investment, but do not include any portion of its share of Chevron's unremitted or retained earnings. Chevron's reported net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $403 million and for the nine months, $1.5 billion. If

Pennzoil's proportionate share ($35.9 million and $135.9 million, respectively) of Chevron's earnings had been distributed to Pennzoil, Pennzoil's earnings for the third quarter and nine-month periods in 1990 would have been increased, after adjustment for additional taxes, by $10.3 million to $36.7 million for the quarter, or by $60.5 million to $124.3 million for the nine-month period in 1990. These adjustments are equivalent to an increase in Pennzoil's earnings of 26 cents to 92 cents per share for the quarter and $1.54 to $3.16 per share for the nine-month period.

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(OCT. 29) At a press conference tomorrow, video tape cassettes of a new TV commercial opposing Prop 135 will be released to the media. The two stars of the hit TV series "Twin Peaks," Kyle MacLachlan (Agent Cooper) and Michael Ontkean (Sheriff Harry Truman) will star in this 30 second spot opposing Prop 135, the pesticide industry initiative. The spot has the stars of "Twin Peaks" examining evidence revealing Prop 135 as a pro-industry fraud and urges a no vote on 135.

A new polling report showing voter confusion on Prop 135 will also be released.

PRESS CONFERENCE WHEN: 10 a.m., Tuesday, Oct. 30, 1990 WHERE: San Francisco NRDC, 90 New Montgomery, 6th Floor (corner of New Montgomery and Mission) WHAT: The commercial will be shown and extra copies will be available, along with copies of the polling report. WHO: Video Presentation of the No On 135 TV AD with Al Meyerhoff, senior staff attorney NRDC and Lawrie Mott senior scientist NRDC, Christina L. Desser executive director Earth Day 1990.

No On 135 is sponsored by Pesticide Watch, California Public Interest Research Group, Natural Resources Defense Council, National Toxics Campaign and other environmental groups.

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PARIS (OCT 29) TASS -- PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV HAS LEFT PARIS FOR HOME.

AT ORLY AIRPORT HE WAS SEEN OFF BY PRESIDENT FRANCOIS MITTERRAND, FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER ROLAND DUMAS AND OTHER OFFICIALS.

DURING GORBACHEV'S VISIT, A TREATY OF CONCORD AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND FRANCE WAS SIGNED AS WERE SOME OTHER DOCUMENTS ENVISAGING THE FURTHER STRENGTHENING OF BILATERAL COOPERATION IN THE ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC, TECHNOLOGICAL AND EDUCATIONAL FIELDS.

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#90302t0615 10/29/1990 ~ts
LENINGRAD (OCT 29) TASS - THE SOVIET YEDINSTVO (UNITY) SOCIETY, ADVOCATING "LENINISM AND COMMUNIST IDEALS", HAS HELD ITS THIRD CONFERENCE HERE.

THE SOCIETY IS PERHAPS BETTER KNOWN AS THE SOCIETY OF NINA ANDREYEVA, A TEACHER FROM A LENINGRAD INSTITUTE WHO BECAME NOTORIOUS AFTER THE PUBLICATION OF AN ARTICLE WHICH WAS IMMEDIATELY LABELLED AN ANTI-PERESTROIKA MANIFESTO.

THE GOAL OF THE CONFERENCE WAS TO PREPARE AND HOLD THE 20TH CONGRESS OF THE ALL-UNION COMMUNIST PARTY (BOLSHEVIKS) -- VKP(B). THE 19TH CONGRESS OF THE PARTY, HELD UNDER STALIN IN 1952, RENAMED IT THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE SOVIET UNION (CPSU).

THE CONFERENCE WAS ATTENDED BY 350 PEOPLE. THEY DISCUSSED THE CURRENT CRISIS IN SOCIETY, WHICH THEY EXPLAINED BY THE "DEGENERATION OF THE CPSU RULING ECHELON AND THE IMPOSITION OF A CAPITALIST MARKET".

THEY ALSO HEARD REPORTS DEFENDING THE "NAME AND CAUSE" OF STALIN, SEEKING TO JUSTIFY REPRESSIONS DURING HIS RULE AND DENOUNCING THE "DISTORTED COVERAGE" OF THESE REPRESSIONS IN THE MASS MEDIA.

THE CONFERENCE FAILED TO DEVELOP INTO THE 20TH VKP(B) CONGRESS. ITS PARTICIPANTS DECIDED TO WORK IN COMMUNIST PARTY STRUCTURES AND FOUND A "BOLSHEVIK PLATFORM" IN THE CPSU IN ORDER TO "DRIVE RENEGADES AND OPPORTUNISTS OUT OF THE PARTY".

SPEAKERS CALLED FOR SETTING UP PRIMARY ORGANISATIONS FOR THE FUTURE VKP(B) BY "UNITING ALL GENUINELY LEFT-WING FORCES AND WORKING WITH PATRIOTIC AND WORKERS' ORGANISATIONS IN THE NAME OF THE SOCIALIST FUTURE OF THE SOVIET UNION".

THE CONFERENCE ELECTED THE SOCIETY'S POLITICAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. ANDREYEVA WAS ELECTED TO HEAD THE COMMITTEE.

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#90302t0626 10/29/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (OCT 29) TASS - PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV TODAY RETURNED TO MOSCOW FROM HIS TRIPS TO SPAIN AND FRANCE, WHICH HE VISITED AT THE INVITATION OF KING JUAN CARLOS I AND PRESIDENT FRANCOIS MITTERRAND.

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#90302u0022 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 29) UPI - Saddam Hussein says that Iraqis would NOT object to war if- in his words- ''God wills it.'' The Iraqi leader also accuses the United States of- quoting again- ''invading the house of God.''

In San Francisco today, President Bush denied he is preparing the nation for military action in the Persian Gulf. But Bush also said the United States will take action against Iraq, if provoked.

With the budget battle behind him, President Bush has embarked on a new campaign. The White House says Bush has a busy travel schedule ahead as he tries to increase the chances of Republicans vying in next week's elections.

Students in Charlestown, Indiana, say at first they thought there had been bomb threat when a police SWAT team moved into their high school. But the drama involved a student holding at least 16 hostages at gunpoint. The ordeal ended peacefully after more than eight hours with the student's surrender.

Former President Reagan says William French Smith brought ''talent, wisdom and the highest integrity to the Department of Justice.'' The former U-S attorney general died of cancer today in Los Angeles. Smith was 73.

Nicaragua says it is reducing its armed forces- once the largest in Central America- to fewer than 30-thousand members. Nicaragua's armed forces reached 140-thousand in 1987... and currently stands at 35- thousand members.

Tea growers will be pleased with a move today at the United Nations. The U-N says it'll start a worldwide campaign promoting tea as an international health drink, saying it ''NOT only tastes good, but is good for you.''

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#90302u0026 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 29) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	6	1	0	.857	187	136	4-1	W-5
Miami	6	1	0	.857	152	90	5-0	W-4
New York Jets	3	5	0	.375	151	190	1-3	W-1
Indianapolis	2	5	0	.286	125	142	0-3	L-2
New England	1	6	0	.143	100	196	1-4	L-5

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	5	3	0	.625	205	204	1-1	L-1
Houston	4	4	0	.500	181	152	1-1	L-1
Pittsburgh	3	4	0	.429	109	128	1-1	L-1
Cleveland	2	6	0	.250	128	193	1-1	L-3
WEST								
LA Raiders	6	1	0	.857	147	99	4-0	W-2
Kansas City	4	3	0	.571	167	114	0-2	L-1
Seattle	3	4	0	.429	144	135	1-3	W-1
Denver	3	4	0	.429	168	178	2-1	W-1
San Diego	3	5	0	.375	164	142	0-1	W-1

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	7	0	0	1.000	171	96	6-0	W-7
Washington	4	3	0	.571	144	103	4-2	L-1
Philadelphia	3	4	0	.429	151	152	1-3	W-1
Dallas	3	5	0	.375	110	156	0-5	L-1
Phoenix	2	5	0	.286	110	161	2-3	L-2
CENTRAL								
Chicago	6	1	0	.857	173	96	3-0	W-3
Tampa Bay	4	4	0	.500	157	182	4-0	W-1
Green Bay	3	4	0	.429	127	156	2-3	W-1
Detroit	3	4	0	.429	168	179	1-3	W-1
Minnesota	1	6	0	.143	150	159	0-4	L-5
WEST								
San Francisco	7	0	0	1.000	174	118	3-0	W-7
Atlanta	3	4	0	.429	199	200	1-3	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	2	4	0	.333	164	173	1-0	W-1
New Orleans	2	5	0	.286	115	150	0-2	L-2

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(OCT. 29) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	9	3	0	18	50	30
New Jersey	8	3	1	17	50	38
Philadelphia	6	5	0	12	42	40
Washington	6	7	0	12	41	44

Pittsburgh	5	6	1	11	55	51
NY Islanders	3	8	0	6	30	50

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	6	4	1	13	36	41
Montreal	6	6	1	13	42	44
Hartford	4	6	2	10	30	40
Quebec	3	6	3	9	38	48
Buffalo	3	5	3	9	36	36

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Detroit	6	3	4	16	51	45
Chicago	8	5	0	16	43	32
St. Louis	7	3	1	15	40	33
Minnesota	2	7	3	7	31	47
Toronto	1	10	1	3	29	57

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	8	2	1	17	53	32
Calgary	8	4	0	16	52	36
Vancouver	6	5	0	12	37	38
Winnipeg	4	7	1	9	41	42
Edmonton	2	6	2	6	29	31

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(OCT. 29) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

FOOTBALL

LA Rams at Pittsburgh, 9 p.m.

HOCKEY

Quebec at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Oakland, Calif. - $350,000 Virginia Slims of California

Paris - $2 million Paris Open.

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#90302u0103 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 29) UPI - Shoving the budget fiasco behind him, President Bush turned full force to the campaign trail Monday with precious few days left until Election Day in which to minimize political fallout from the

rancorous process.

The budget wars finally over, a pact to trim the deficit in hand and virtually no one happy about it, Bush opened a final campaign drive to Nov. 6, expressing optimism for GOP prospects even as administration officials acknowledged that some damage had been done to the party by Bush's retreat on his 1988 pledge not to raise taxes.

In Honolulu Saturday, Bush brushed aside concerns that the GOP would suffer. ''No, I sense strong enthusiasm for Republican candidates,'' he told reporters. ''But let's see now how we do. I'm going to be out there, working my heart out for Republican candidates who feel as I do.''

What he didn't want to talk about on Sunday was his plunge in the polls - the latest one showing his lowest-ever approval rating as president, 48 percent - and the warfare within his own party caused by the negotiations.

Republican Party honcho Ed Rollins, the author of a memo to congressional candidates under fire on the issue to feel free to run from the president, wouldn't be fired. At least it didn't sound like it.

And Republicans who abandoned the president in voting against any package that included a tax hike, the likes of House whip Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., and others, wouldn't be punished. ''I understand Republicans defecting from a package that they don't like,'' he said. ''I think that's history now, but I have no rancor about it.''

The battle plan will be as follows, said the president:

-Hold the new line on taxes - no more new ones. ''This was a one-time compromise,'' he said of his concession to raise income tax rates to 31 percent.

-Stress that he had to do it for the good of the country. ''Sometimes the president has to make a tough call; this was one of them.''

-Tell the audiences again and again and again that if he had more Republicans in the Congress to control spending, this budget mess never would have happened.

''That's the approach I'm going to be taking. ... That's the way I'll handle it,'' Bush said.

But the months of political warfare that led to the compromise plan passed this past weekend may have taken a big toll on both the president and members of the House and Senate up for re-election.

In a Newsweek poll released Sunday, Bush earned the lowest approval rating of

his presidency, with 48 percent of Americans approving of the way the president was handling his job. In the same poll, only 19 percent said they trust Bush most to set the course for the nation's economic policy, while 36 percent said they trusted congressional Democrats most and 21 percent trusted congressional Republicans most.

A whopping 64 percent of those polled thought the president was losing his political influence.

With Bush having retreated on his stand against taxes no less than three times and some GOP candidates taking Rollins' advice and distancing themselves from the president, top admininstration officials acknowledge the budget mess has been costly to Bush.

''He cast some of his political capital for the benefit of the country,'' said White House Chief of Staff John Sununu Sunday on the ABC News program ''This Week with David Brinkley.''

But Sununu, the loyal lieutenant, predicted Bush's poor showing in the polls was temporary.

''I think what you're going to see is ... recovery in a relatively short period of time,'' Sununu said. ''Do we hope it doesn't drop further? Yes, we hope it doesn't drop further. Will it go up again? Yes, it will go up again, almost as certain as anything you can think of.''

And with the fate of one-third of the Senate and all of the House in the hands of the voters in just eight days, there is continuing concern about an anti-incumbent backlash.

Vice President Dan Quayle, saying Bush's plunge in the polls ''goes with the territory,'' predicted that both parties are going to be penalized.

''The floor has not dropped out on just Republican candidates,'' he said. ''I would not like to be a Democratic incumbent running for re- election. I would not because I believe that the Democratic Congress has a lot of explaining to do.''

Bush for his part was more than ready to move on.

''I feel that it's been a long, arduous battle,'' he said as he prepared to head back to the campaign trail in full force. ''No, I can't say this is the best thing that's happened to us since sliced bread ... (but) I'm glad it's over.''

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#90302u0109 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASKETBALL

New Jersey - Signed forward Derrick Coleman to a five-year contract.

Philadelphia - Traded their 1993 first-round draft choice to Phoenix for forward Jayson Williams; announced they would not offer a new contract to guard/forward Derrek Smith.

HOCKEY

St. Louis - Recalled defenseman Robert Dirk from Peoria of the International Hockey League.

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#90302u0111 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - Lawmakers are looking at some last-minute campaigning after wrapping up the 101st Congress. Members of the Senate and House up for re-election rushed home Sunday, some fearing a voter revolt at the polls. Congress during the weekend wrapped up an historic deficit-reduction agreement that will be painful for all Americans. The will increase taxes on the very wealthy as well as on gasoline, tobacco, alcohol and other items.

Washington, D-C's, police chief says the city spent 800-thousand dollars keeping order as 30 Ku Klux Klan members marched along Constitution Avenue Sunday. The march triggered violence that left six anti-Klan demonstrators and eight police officers injured, one of them seriously.

The 12-nation European Community remains divided on major trade issues following a two-day summit of E-C leaders that ended Sunday in Rome. British Prime Minister Thatcher accused France and Germany of practicing protectionism for their farmers. Both Paris and Bonn have rejected a proposal to cut agriculture subsides by 30 percent in the decade ending in 1996.

Israel reopened the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip Sunday after a four-day shutdown, allowing tens of thousands of Palestinian workers to return to their jobs in Israel. However, Palestinian sources say hundreds of Arabs returned to their employers only to find they'd been dismissed.

Political sources say Syria and Lebanon have agreed to speed up the planned demilitarization of war-battered Beirut that would put an end to 15 years of militia rule. The sources say the process already under way to rid Beirut of its warring militias should be finalized by next weekend.

There were NO results immediately available in elections held Sunday in the Ivory Coast. But opposition leaders in the west African nation say the first

multi-party presidential election was rigged. They say ballot boxes filled with voting slips for the ruling party were found at many polling stations before voters had cast any ballots.

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#90302u0154 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - Saddam Hussein demanded France send medicines on the plane slated to carry 300 French hostages home Monday, and the Iraqi president axed a gas rationing program created after U.N. economic sanctions were imposed against Baghdad.

Saddam also fired Oil Minister Issam Abdulrahmin Chalabi on Sunday, the second senior Iraqi minister to leave office since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, the official Iraqi news agency INA reported

The commander of U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia told a newspaper that a clash with Iraq in the desert would involve a number of American casualties, and said he would like to bring his troops home without a fight.

The U.N. Security Council was expected to vote Monday on a proposed resolution against Iraq that would make the nation pay for invasion damages and free all hostages. A vote set for Saturday was delayed, reportedly because the Soviet Union was seeking a weekend settlement to the crisis and because U.N. diplomats warned a wrong move by the international organization could touch off a war.

Top Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov spoke with Saddam in Baghdad Sunday, in their second meeting in a month, and, INA reported, conveyed to him a private message from Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, who arrived in Paris Sunday for talks with President Francois Mitterrand on the gulf crisis.

But the British Broadcasting Corp. reported that Saddam and Primakov made no progress toward a peaceful settlement. The Soviet envoy had raised hopes the tense standoff could be settled through negotiation after his initial meeting with Saddam Oct. 5.

Chalabi announced Oct. 19 that Iraq would begin rationing gasoline, a move that led many to speculate economic sanctions imposed against Baghdad by the United Nations were beginning to take their toll.

INA said Saddam ordered the rationing program canceled following a meeting of experts who determined the ''Oil Ministry has made miscalculations in the availability of the solutions used in the processing of fuel.''

Last month, INA reported Iraq's Minister of Communications Saadoun Shaker had resigned for ''health reasons.'' Diplomats, however, said he quit because he opposed the invasion.

Officials in Paris said Iraq demanded France send medicine on a plane scheduled to fly home about 300 French hostages from Baghdad. Iraq announced last week it would free all French nationals held in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

The officials in Paris said they would consult the United Nations to determine whether such a shipment would violate the U.N. economic sanctions imposed to pressure Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

U.N. Security Council Resolution 661 states that medicines are not included in the embargo against Iraq. A second resolution extended the boycott to air traffic. To ensure compliance with the embargo, the Iraqi Airways plane must be inspected by French and United Nations authorities before being allowed to leave Paris Monday night on its return flight to Baghdad.

Before adjourning Sunday, 81 members of Congress sent a letter to Bush expressing concern about the increasing moves toward war, saying Congress must be consulted before any military action.

A poll released Sunday, meanwhile, indicated further erosion in President Bush's popularity.

Navy officials said U.S. and Australian warships intercepted an Iraqi merchant ship in the North Arabian Sea, firing shots across its bow when it failed to heed an order to stop, and then boarding the vessel to determine whether it violated U.N.-imposed economic sanctions.

The heads of state at a European Community meeting in Rome agreed they would not send representatives of their governments to Baghdad to negotiate the release of hostages held by Iraq as a human shield against attack.

Officials in Athens said Iraq had released 10 of 24 Greek hostages, allowing them to leave the country immediately.

Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, commander of the more than 200,000 U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, said in an interview published Sunday he wants to avoid a military confrontation with Iraq.

The West Point graduate and Vietnam veteran, nicknamed ''Stormin' Norman,'' said he hopes the massive military deployment and economic sanctions will pressure Iraq to withdraw from the emirate.

The general told the Atlanta Journal and Constitution a desert confrontation with Iraqi troops would be a lethal fight involving a number of American casualties.

''We have developed more sophisticated ways to destroy things,'' he said. ''It will certainly be a much more lethal battlefield. But to the fundamental

soldier on the ground, it is still going to be a question of life and death.''

A public opinion poll, published in Newsweek magazine, said only 48 percent of Americans approved of the way Bush was handling his job. It was the lowest approval rating for President Bush, one of the most popular U.S. chief executives in modern history.

White House Chief of Staff John Sununu predicted during an interview on an American news television program that Bush would recover from his drop in the polls, but added ''we hope it doesn't drop further.''

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#90302u0170 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - Protesters came to Ku Klux Klan rally ready for violence, and city officials criticized a judge's ruling that allowed the robed marchers to cover a longer route through downtown of the predominately black city.

Police in riot gear guarded 30 Klan members Sunday on their 1 1/2-mile march to the Capital along Constitution Avenue, while 1,200 protesters battled police in their wake.

Police arrested 40 demonstrators and 14 people, including eight police officers, were injured.

''Obviously people came down here for planned violence,'' Police Chief Isaac Fulwood said. ''There were roving gangs with bricks in knapsacks.''

Fulwood said a female officer lost consciousness when a brick struck her in the side of the head and fractured her neck. He said she was revived, but lost consciousness again as she was taken to a hospital.

The injuries to the other officers and demonstrators were described as minor.

''We got out of it extremely lucky,'' Fulwood said. ''We were lucky that they did not explore even more than they did.''

Chief F.A. Kerrigan of the U.S. Capitol Police said, ''Everything went as well as we thought it could.''

Fulwood estimated the police mobilization cost the city $800,000.

Fulwood said U.S. District Judge Louis Oberdorfer, who cleared the way for the march, ''used poor legal judgment'' in granting the Klan a permit for the march along Constitution Avenue.

''We gave them a permit for a shorter route, but the judge thought they had an

inherent right for a longer route. That's wrong,'' the chief said. ''We're the only experts in this goddamned town. If people weren't messing around with us there would be no problem. You can quote me on that.''

A spokeswoman for the All Peoples Congress, which staged the rally, termed the protest a success, saying a group of 20 anti-Klan protesters made it to the Capitol grounds to demonstrate in view of the Klan.

The protests began at noon when demonstrators gathered for the start of the march. They tried to break through a police line, but were repulsed. As the Klan moved down Constitution Avenue, the protesters streamed toward the Capitol.

The crowd reassembled at about the march's midpoint, chanting ''Smash the Klan smash the Klan and anyone in the way!'' Seconds later, a shower of rocks and bottles rained on police who began marching against the crowd.

Some police officers used their nightsticks to break up the crowd.

Police then pushed the crowd away, and squad cars were pelted with rocks and bricks. Fulwood said windows were smashed on at least 12 cars during the day.

The Klan held its rally on the southwest lawn of the Capitol, on the other side of the mall from the bulk of the protests and away from the public. When they finished, they climbed into vans and were escorted out of the city by the police.

One protester attributed the outbreak of violence to frustration.

''As an African-American, I personally think they have a right to march, but I also think we have a right to protest,'' said Michael Jones, a Howard University sophomore. ''The police are using extreme brutality.''

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#90302u0173 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - Officials in Paris say Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is demanding that France send medicine on a plane scheduled to fly about 300 French hostages from Baghdad today. Iraq announced last week it would free all French nationals.

President Bush continues his campaigning for G-O-P candidates Monday. Bush leaves San Francisco and heads for Oklahoma City for another fund-raiser. Bush is suffering from a reported decline in popularity in recent days.

In Minnesota, Independent-Republican gubernatorial candidate Jon Grunseth withdrew from the race Sunday, just nine days before the election. Grunseth dropped out after a newspaper report quoting a woman who said she had a

nine-year affair with him.

An election official in Soviet Georgia says an estimated 70-75 percent of eligible voters took part in elections Sunday. It was the republic's first free elections fo form a parliament. Counting is expected to take five days.

Sources in Beirut say that Syria and Lebanon have agreed to speed up plans for a demilitarization of war-battered Beirut that would end 15 years of militia rule. The sources said the agreement was reached during a meeting in Damascus early Sunday.

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European Community leaders meeting in Rome Sunday agreed to begin the next stage toward a single European currency in 1994 with a goal of completion by the end of the decade. Only Britain's prime minister dissented.

Members of the Senate and House wrapped up their work and adjourned the 101st Congress this weekend. Legislators up for re-election rushed home for last-minute campaigning for the November 6th elections.

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#90302u0181 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - What began as a festive homecoming for Denis Savard ended on a sour note for the former Blackhawk.

With the high-scoring center in the penalty box for high-sticking, Adam Creighton banged in a power-play goal 2:05 into overtime Sunday night to lift the Chicago Blackhawks to a 2-1 victory over the Montreal Canadiens before a standing-room crowd of 18,472 on hand to witness the popular Savard's first return since his trade during the offseason.

''He's still friends with a lot of the guys on the team, and I consider him one of my friends,'' said Creighton. ''I wish him all the best, but we've got to look out for ourselves and win hockey games. We can't be worried about who our friends are, and that's all it comes down to.''

Steve Larmer set up the game-winner, providing a behind-the-net feed with Creighton fighting off a check in front of goaltender Patrick Roy. The replay actually showed Larmer's pass going off the skate of Canadien defenseman Eric Desjardins and through Roy's pads.

''It was Larmer's goal,'' said Creighton, who got credit for his fourth tally of the year. ''I told them to change it.''

If anything could be changed, Savard wished he could have erased referee Kerry Fraser's high-sticking call at 1:02 into the extra period that gave the Blackhawks the extra-man advantage.

''I wasn't aware I sticked 'em anywhere,'' Savard said of his high- stick on Chicago's Greg Gilbert. ''I didn't mean to high-stick him if I did. I don't even know where it happened.''

Chicago Coach Mike Keenan, who after a stormy two-year relationship with Savard dealt the flashy centerman to the Canadiens for defenseman Chris Chelios last June 29, labled Fraser's call ''unfortunate.''

''We can't feel sympathetic in that situation,'' Keenan said. ''We were, I felt, carrying most of the play, yet we were down in power plays, and I think that's why we got the call.''

The Blackhawks outshot the Canadiens 39-22 for the game, but both Roy and Blackhawks goalie Ed Belfour were superior in net.

Dirk Graham gave Chicago a 1-0 lead early in the third, but Stephan Lebeau tied it with a power-play goal with 12:49 left. Belfour stopped Petr Svoboda's initial slap shot, but Lebeau poked the puck free and pushed it by for his third tally of the year.

Montreal had a power play for the final 52 seconds of regulation, but Belfour stopped Mathieu Schneider on a rocket slap shot from the point, the Canadiens' only scoring chance.

The evening got underway when Savard came out onto the ice for the pre-game skatearound and received a lengthy and thunderous standing ovation. One of the banners read ''Savard is home - Keenan is trespassing,'' reflecting the still bitter feelings over the blockbuster trade.

''It's tough to come in here,'' said Savard. ''I was ready to play, but the crowd made me nervous.''

Another loud cheer went up when Savard went out to skate his first shift of the night. After playing 10 seasons in Chicago, even Savard got a bit swept away with the emotion. He started toward the wrong penalty box when whistled for hooking midway through the first period.

''I'm just glad it's over with now,'' he said. ''I can go and play hockey the way I can. It hasn't been easy the past couple days.''

After a sloppily played opening period, the teams picked up the pace in the second. The Blackhawks pressured Roy late in the period, but the two-time defending Vezina Trophy winner stopped Greg Gilbert and Jocelyn Lemieux from

the slot.

Graham broke loose on a breakaway early in the third, but he made one move too many and failed to get a shot off. He then made most of his next opportunity, breaking the dual shutout at 3:44 of the third by banking a shot off Roy's pad for his fourth goal of the season after stickhandling out from behind the net and to Roy's right.

After Lebeau tied the score 1-1, the Blackhawks' Steve Thomas stole the puck in the Montreal zone and moved in on Roy with 5:30 left, but Roy again made the key save.

Elsewhere in the NHL Sunday night, Los Angeles downed Winnipeg 6-2, Washington edged Edmonton 1-0, Pittsburgh battered the New York Islanders 8-3 and Buffalo shut out Hartford 5-0.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Kings 6, Jets 2

At Winnipeg, Manitoba, Tomas Sandstrom and John Tonelli scored second-period goals and Los Angeles went on to its sixth win in seven games. Wayne Gretzky, who scored his 2,000th career point Friday night in the Kings 6-2 loss to the Jets, added two assists.

Capitals 1, Oilers 0

At Edmonton, Alberta, Michal Pivonka scored the game's lone goal at 2:11 of the first period and Don Beaupre blocked 31 shots for his second shutout of the year. It was the first time the Oilers had been shut out since Andy Moog of the Boston Bruins turned the trick on Oct. 20, 1989. The defending Stanley Cup champion Oilers, have dropped four straight and six of seven.

Penguins 8, Islanders 3

At Pittsburgh, 18-year-old Jaromir Jagr scored two goals, John Cullen assisted on three others and the Penguins scored six times in the second period. The Islanders did not get a shot on goal until 14:13 of the first period.

Sabres 5, Whalers 0

At Buffalo, N.Y., Pierre Turgeon had a hat trick and Clint Malarchuk stopped 29 shots to lead the Sabres. Rick Vaive assisted on all three of Turgeon's goals as the Sabres notched their first home win of the season.

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(OCT. 29) UPI - C O R R E C T I O N:

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Lawmakers are looking at some last-minute campaigning after wrapping up the 101st Congress. Members of the Senate and House up for re- election rushed home Sunday, some fearing a voter revolt at the polls. Congress during the weekend wrapped up an historic deficit-reduction agreement that will be painful for all Americans. The budget will increase taxes on the very wealthy as well as on gasoline, tobacco, alcohol and other items.

Washington, D-C's, police chief says the city spent 800-thousand dollars keeping order as 30 Ku Klux Klan members marched along Constitution Avenue Sunday. The march triggered violence that left six anti-Klan demonstrators and eight police officers injured, one of them seriously.

The 12-nation European Community remains divided on major trade issues following a two-day summit of E-C leaders that ended Sunday in Rome. British Prime Minister Thatcher accused France and Germany of practicing protectionism for their farmers. Both Paris and Bonn have rejected a proposal to cut agriculture subsidies by 30 percent in the decade ending in 1996.

Israel reopened the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip Sunday after a four-day shutdown, allowing tens of thousands of Palestinian workers to return to their jobs in Israel. However, Palestinian sources say hundreds of Arabs returned to their employers only to find they'd been dismissed.

Political sources say Syria and Lebanon have agreed to speed up the planned demilitarization of war-battered Beirut that would put an end to 15 years of militia rule. The sources say the process already under way to rid Beirut of its warring militias should be finalized by next weekend.

There were NO results immediately available in elections held Sunday in the Ivory Coast. But opposition leaders in the west African nation say the first multi-party presidential election was rigged. They say ballot boxes filled with voting slips for the ruling party were found at many polling stations before voters had cast any ballots.

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(OCT. 29) UPI - Around the world, around the clock, the latest news from U-P-I...

President Bush will campaign for Republican candidates in California and Oklahoma today, saying he'll stress that he supported a tax hike for the good of the nation. Bush will try to minimize the potential political damage to the G-O-P from the extended budget battle before Americans head to the polls next Tuesday. .

A magazine poll that hits the newsstands today does NOT bode well for President Bush and budget matters. Only 19 percent of those questioned said they trust Bush most to set U-S economic policy. 36 percent said they trust congressional Democrats most and 21 percent picked congressional Republicans.

Police guarded 30 Ku Klux Klan members as they marched yesterday in Washington D-C, a predominantly black city. 12-hundred anti-Klan protesters battled police. 14 people- including eight police officers- were injured. Police say they arrested 40 of the rock and bottle throwing demonstrators.

Iraq hopes to get something out of its planned release of about 400 French citizens. Officials in Paris say Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein expects France to send medicine on the plane slated to land in Baghdad today to carry the hostages home. France says it's checking to see if the move would violate the U-N embargo against Iraq.

The European Community is sticking with a course that economists say will save citizens of the 12-nation E-C as much as 26-BILLION dollars a year in exchange costs. E-C leaders ended a meeting yesterday in Rome with all but Britain's prime minister agreeing to take steps toward a single European currency.

Soviet Georgians voted in their republic's first free parliamentary elections yesterday. But officials say counting the results may take as long as five days due to complex polling procedures and a 19-hundred candidate field. Said one official- ''in Communist elections, it did NOT take any time at all.''

John Grunseth cited concerns for his family and the people of Minnesota in quitting the race for governor. The Independent-Republican party candidate did NOT mention Tamara Taylor or her claims that she had a nine-year affair with Grunseth that she says ended last year. The conservative politician earlier faced accusations that he skinny-dipped with teen-agers at a 1981 party.

The National Weather Service posted a wintry weather advisory for much of Vermont, where cold air is expected to turn to rain overnight. Forecasters said strong winds out of the northwest brought cold, blustery weather into the Great Lakes region and the upper Ohio Valley region.

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(OCT. 29) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Montreal	0	0	1	0-1
Chicago	0	0	1	1-2

First period-No scoring.

Penalties- Corson, Mtl, 1:46; Brown, Chi, 1:46; Konroyd, Chi, 2:41; Chorske, Mtl, 4:19; Savard, Mtl, 8:20; Corson, Mtl, major (fighting), 14:04; McGill, Chi, major (fighting), 14:04.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Odelein, Mtl, 3:39; Creighton, Chi, 4:16; Thomas, Chi, 7:14; Carbonneau, Mtl, 10:16; Creighton, Chi, 10:16; Creighton, Chi, 19:02.

Third period-1, Chicago, Graham 4 (Creighton), 3:44. 2, Montreal, Lebeau 3 (Svoboda, Pederson), pp, 7:11.

Penalties-Manson, Chi, 1:13; Corson, Mtl, 5:02; Roenick, Chi, 5:02; Murray, Chi, 6:58; Corson, Mtl, 9:07; Carbonneau, Mtl, 17:08; Presley, Chi, 18:04.

Overtime-3, Chicago, Creighton 4 (Larmer, Chelios), pp, 2:05.

Penalties-Savard, Mtl, 1:02; Svoboda, Mtl, misconduct, 1:02.

Shots on goal-Montreal 6-7-9-0-22. Chicago 10-12-14-3-39.

Power-play conversions-Montreal 7-1. Chicago 6-1.

Goalies-Montreal, Roy. Chicago, Belfour. A-18,472.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

Los Angeles	1	3	2	6
Winnipeg	1	1	0	2

First period-1, Los Angeles, Robitaille 6 (Duchesne, Gretzky), pp, 4:03. 2, Winnipeg, Paslawski 1 (McLlwain, Arniel) 14:51.

Penalties-Wheeldon, Wpg, 3:00; Sandstrom, LA, 3:20; Ellett, Wpg, 3:35; Elynuik Wpg, 17:25; Los Angeles (bench) 19:43.

Second period-3, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 8 (Blake), 2:36. 4, Los Angeles, Tonellki 2 (Benning) 8:50. 5, Winnipeg, Olausson 4 (Steen, Elynuik) 10:23. 6, Los Angeles, Kasper 1 (Kudelski, Tonelli) 14:13.

Penalties-Robinson, LA, 17:18.

Third period-7, Los Angeles, Granato 5 (Sandstrom, Gretzky) 1:06. Elik 6

(Breault, Duschene) 10:23.

Penalties-McSorley, LA, 4:14; Fenton, Wpg, 6:46.

Shots on goal-Los Angeles 10-11-9-30. Winnipeg 6-12-7-25.

Power-play conversions-Los Angeles 4-1. Winnipeg 4-0.

Goaltenders-Berthiaume, Los Angeles. Winnipeg, Beauregard. A-14,087.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

Washington	1	0	0-1
Edmonton	0	0	0-0

First period-1, Washington, Pivonka 3 (Rouse), 2:11.

Penalties-Lalor, Was, 0:27; Hawgood, Edm, 0:43; Bondra, Was, major (spearing, game misconduct), 8:01; Hunter, Was, 16:14; Linseman, Edm, 16:14.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Muni, Edm, 5:34; Was bench (served by Zezel), 14:34.

Third period-No scoring. Penalties-Edm bench (served by Klima), 4:21.

Shots on goal-Washington 7-8-8-23, Edmonton 14-5-12-31.

Power-play conversions-Washington 4-0, Edmonton 3-0

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Ranford. Washington, Beaupre. A-15,821.

Referee-Denis Morel.

NY Islanders	0	2	1-3
Pittsburgh	1	6	1-8

First period-1, Pittsburgh, Stevens 8 (Cullen, Brown), pp, 1:25.

Penalties-Flatley, NYI, 0:56; Berg, NYI, 17:19; Coffey, Pit, 17:19.

Second period-2, NY Islanders, LaFontaine 6 (Flatley), 0:35. 3, Pittsburgh, Errey 4 (Cullen, Zalapski), 7:59. 4, Pittsburgh, Mullen 9 (Zalapski, Recchi), pp, 10:12. 5, Pittsburgh, Jagr 4 (Stanton, Daniels), 10:29. 6, Pittsburgh, Brown 4 (Cullen, Stanton), pp, 13:47. 7, NY Islanders, King 3 (McBean, LaFontaine), pp, 15:19. 8, Pittsburgh, Jagr 5 (unassisted), 18:00. 9, Pittsburgh, Tanti 1 (Stanton, Recchi), pp, 19:56.

Penalties-Dahlquist, Pit, 5:57; Fitzgerald, NYI, 8:29; Baumgartner, NYI, 11:00; Wood, NYI, 11:53; Gilhen, Pit, 14:09; Baumgartner, NYI, 18:00.

Third period-10, NY Islanders, LaFontaine 6 (Crossman), 0:58. 11, Pittsburgh, Coffey 4 (Brown, Recchi), 9:25.

Penalties-Berg, NYI, 2:39; Baumgartner, NYI, 6:59; Cullen, Pit, double minor, 6:59; Stanton, Pit, 13:27; Tanti, Pit, 16:45.

Shots on goal-NY Islanders 5-11-7-23. Pittsburgh 11-22-11-44.

Power-play conversions-NY Islanders 5-1. Pittsburgh 6-4.

Goaltenders-NY Islanders, Maneluk, Lorenz (0:00 3rd per). Pittsburgh, Pietrangelo. A-15,678.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Hartford	0	0	0-0
Buffalo	1	2	2-5

First period-1, Buffalo, Turgeon, 6 (Andreychuk, Vaive) pp, 6:35.

Penalties-Evason, Har, 5:52; Baca, Har, 9:30; Ramsey, Buf, 16:54.

Second period-2, Buffalo, Turgeon, 7 (Vaive) 4:53. 3, Buffalo, Mogilny, 3 (Bodger, Tucker) pp, 7:02.

Penalties-Evason, Har, game-misconduct (spearing), 5:42; Hogue, Buf, 11:13; Hawerchuk, Buf, 19:43.

Third period-4, Buffalo, Hogue, 3 (Hawerchuk) 3:58. 5, Buffalo, Turgeon, 8 (Vaive, Ledyard) 18:17.

Penalties-Francis, Har, 4:36; Snuggerud, Buf, 4:36; Ruuttu, Buf, 7:20; Ruuttu, Buf, 9:41; Verbeek, Har, 10:01; Dineen, Har, double-minor, 11:42; Samuelsson, Har, 12:33; Foligno, Buf, double-minor, 12:33.

Shots on goal-Hartford, 11-9-9-29. Buffalo, 8-9-13-30.

Power-play conversions-Hartford, 5-0. Buffalo, 6-2.

Goaltenders-Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. Buffalo, Malarchuk. A-15,310.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

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JAKARTA, Indonesia (OCT. 29) UPI - President Suharto urged Southeast Asian economic ministers Monday to expand trade in the Asia-Pacific region as he opened a two-day meeting aimed at improving investment ties with the United States.

Delegates from the six-member Association of Southeast Asian Nations gathered in Jakarta for Suharto's opening remarks prior to convening their session on the resort island of Bali.

''In such a dynamic world, we must continue to encourage the efforts to establish free, fair and equitable trade whereby all nations can share the potentials and opportunities the world has to offer,'' Suharto said.

The representatives from Indonesia, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, Brunei and the Philippines are expected to reach agreement on the ASEAN- U.S. Initiative designed to encourage expanded trade and investment ties, stress their concern over the faltering Uruguay Round of multilateral trade talks and seek new ways of improving intra-ASEAN trade.

Suharto stressed the importance of reducing or abolishing barriers and noted cooperation with the group's dialogue partners has resulted in significant benefits. The dialogue partners are the United States, Japan, the European Community, Australia, Canada and New Zealand.

The Asia-Pacific region ''has rapidly intensified its economic activities, resulting in a continuing shift in economic strength towards this part of the world,'' Suharto said.

He noted however ASEAN must make greater efforts towards intra-ASEAN economic cooperation. ''To this end, we have to make new approaches, especially in trade and investment,'' he said.

Officials said the delegates hoped to reach agreement on the framework of the ASEAN-U.S. Initiative, which would be submitted to U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills.

In Vancouver last month, Hills and the ASEAN economic ministers examined a draft of a memorandum of understanding which laid down the goals of the consultative mechanism and identified areas for expansion of trade and investments between the parties.

Reports from the Bush administration indicate Washington would be willing to have a trade liberalizing agreement, but not a free trade agreement, with ASEAN.

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TOKYO (OCT. 29) UPI - Black South African leader Nelson Mandela said Monday apartheid cannot be replaced by a parliament that includes blacks but reserves special rights for whites, Kyodo News Service reported.

Mandela, in Tokyo at the invitation of the Japanese government, told Kyodo in an interview that he rejects a proposal by the South African government to allow black-majority rule but reserve representation and veto power for whites in the upper house of parliament.

Neighboring Zimbabwe made a transition to black-majority rule in the 1980s through a similar arrangement.

Mandela, 72, vice president of the African National Congress who spent 27 years in jail for his opposition to the government, said, ''apartheid cannot be removed by other forms of apartheid.''

Mandela said he would study the proposal, which was made Wednesday, on his return to South Africa at the conclusion of his tour of the Asia- Pacific region.

But in principle, he said, all citizens should be eligible to vote and all races should be equal before the law.

However, he added, ''We must consider very carefully the fears of whites. Blacks will never dominate whites.''

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(OCT. 29) UPI - President Bush will be dodging questions about his reported sagging popularity as he campaigns for G-O-P candidates in California and Oklahoma today. A new poll shows that 64 percent of those questioned think the president is losing his political influence.

Members of Congress up for re-election next week may be going from the frying pan into the fire today. After resolving the controversial budget process this weekend, many legislators become candidates today as they begin campaigning for re-election in their home states. One-third of the Senate and all of the House members face re-election.

The mayor of Moscow said today during a visit to Japan that Soviet President Gorbachev must liberalize his economic transition plan within months, or the popular politicians headed by Boris Yeltsin will resign as a group.

In an interview with the Japanese Kyodo News Service, South African leader Nelson Mandela says that apartheid in South Africa canNOT be replaced by a Parliament that includes blacks, but reserves special rights for whites. .

Mandela is in Tokyo at the invitation of the Japanese government. He is scheduled to meet with Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu later today, and to address the Japanese Parliament tomorrow.

The United Nations Security Council is expected to vote today on a proposed resolution demanding that Iraq pay for invasion damages and free all hostages. Iraq is now saying that France must send medicine on the plane set to carry 300 French hostages home today.

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(OCT. 29) UPI - Cool weather, including record lows in the Midwest, covered much of the nation Monday with high winds on the northern parts of both coasts and thick fog in Southern California.

A gale warning was in effect for Narragansett Bay in Providence, R.I., where gusty northwest winds were moving at up to 40 mph.

On the opposite coast, southeast winds topping 35 mph were reported near Cape Lookout on the Oregon coast. The winds pushed seas to 18 feet and carried rain that was to continue through the day.

Records for cold and warm weather were set in the Midwest and West. The thermometer dipped to 22 degrees in Muskegon, Mich., breaking by 1 degree a record set in 1980.

In Salt Lake City, Utah, a record high minimum temperature was recorded Sunday when the day's low was a relatively warm 50 degrees. That tied a record set in 1977.

Thick fog covered large parts of the California coast early Monday from San Diego to Eureka. In San Diego, a dense fog advisory was in effect for a 12 mile strip along the coast with visibility down to an eighth of a mile in some areas.

Several hundred miles north, fog also blanketed Eureka and Humboldt Bay, near the state's northern border, with visibilities down to one sixteenth of a mile.

New York City was partly cloudy, breezy and cold with a low 35 to 40 and winds moving northwest at 10 to 15 mph with gusts. It was mostly cloudy and cold with a few snow flurries in Buffalo, where temperatures were in the low 30s and winds were moving northwest at 10 to 20 mph.

Clear skies and cold weather covered much of the Plains and Midwest, with Topeka, Kan. reporting 40 degrees and clear and Cleveland with 45 degrees and some clouds.

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#90302u0369 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 29) UPI - A shake-up in Norway's government is expected today. The nation's three-party NON-socialist government was expected to resign because of internal differences over the country's relationship with the European Community.

Indonesian President Suharto today opened a two-day meeting aimed at improving investment ties with the United States. At the meeting on the resort island of Bali, he urged Southeast Asian economic ministers to expand trade in the Asia-Pacific region.

Officials in Paris say they will consult the United Nations to determine whether sending medicine to Iraq would violate the U-N economic sanctions against Iraq. Saddam Hussein is demanding that France send medicine on the plane that will carry 300 French hostages home today.

Members of Congress up for re-election have NO time to rest after the stormy budget process was resolved this weekend. With the November 6th elections right around the corner, many legislators rushed home to campaign.

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#90302u0379 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (OCT. 29) UPI - Black gunmen staged suspected revenge attacks for the weekend stabbing death of a Zulu man in Soweto, killing at least 16 people and wounding 33 in the worst outbreak of urban factional violence in more than a month, police said Monday.

Lt. Govindsamy Mariemuthoo, police spokesman in the sprawling black satellite city southwest of Johannesburg said the unknown group of men, armed with handguns and AK-47 assault rifles, staged three separate attacks around 8 p.m. Sunday.

It was the worst incident of factional violence reported from black townships surrounding Johannesburg since Sept. 13, when gunmen attacked a passenger train on the outskirts of the city, killing 26 people.

Mariemuthoo said the killings in the densely populated area of Soweto called Naledi could have been revenge attacks for the death of a Zulu man at the nearby Merafe railway station Saturday morning.

According to police, the unidentified man was a supporter of the Zulu movement Inkatha and had been trying to attend a Inkatha rally in downtown Johannesburg Saturday morning when he was hacked to death by ''plus minus 200 youths.''

Police intervened and arrested a 20-year-old alleged member of the African National Congress youth wing.

The worst urban violence ever seen in South Africa exploded in early August largely between supporters of the ANC and the Inkatha movement, and nearly 800 people were killed in six weeks of clashes. ANC leaders, including Nelson Mandela, blamed the violence on a ''third force,'' or elements of the minority white government's security establishment.

Tough police measures imposed were last month quelled the fighting and appeared to have succeeded.

The police earlier Monday put the death toll at eight and could provide no details on the jump to 16, with 33 wounded.

Maj. Gen. Johan Swaart, regional commissioner of police for Soweto, said the police have ''immediately planned action to trace the suspects and bring them to justice'' and appealed to the people not to take the law into their own hands.

''The South African Police will not tolerate these cowardly attacks and unnecessary bloodshed in Soweto,'' he said in a statement.

Sunday's bloodshed came a day after 10,000 ANC supporters relaunched the movement's youth wing - reoorganized following the ANC's legalization in February - while 5,000 Inkatha followers staged a march in Johannesburg.

The ANC has announced that Mandela and Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi will meet soon for the first time since Mandela was released from 27 years imprisonment in February. The meeting, according to the ANC, will be between the governing councils of the two movements with Mandela and Buthelezi attending.

Buthelezi has long insisted on direct one-on-one talks with Mandela, declaring them essential to ending the violence between the two ideologically divided movements that began in 1987 in the strife-torn province of Natal where as many as 4,000 have died.

The ANC has so far resisted such a meeting, contending it would give Buthelezi unwarranted status as a major political force.

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PARIS (OCT. 29) UPI - Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and President Francois Mitterrand began a second day of talks Monday after their two governments signed five cooperation agreements, including a $1 billion French financial aid package for Moscow.

Gorbachev and Mitterrand met at a former royal hunting palace in Rambouillet just outside Paris for talks that are expected to be dominated by the crisis in the Persian Gulf, officials said. The two presidents are scheduled to sign a wide-ranging friendship and cooperation treaty later Monday and will also hold a joint news conference.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said during the ceremony at which the cooperation agreements were signed Sunday night that ''for the moment there are not many reasons to be optimistic'' over the evolution of the Gulf crisis following a second visit to Baghdad by Eugueni Primakov, Gorbachev's special envoy.

But Shevardnadze added that there were still ''chances for a negotiated settlement'' to the crisis. He spoke just one day before some 300 French hostages were scheduled to return to Paris from Kuwait and Iraq.

But the Soviet foreign affairs minister and Roland Dumas, his French counterpart, refused to say whether Mitterrand and Gorbachev would announce a joint peace initiative at the end of their two-day summit.

Gorbachev arrived in Paris Sunday night in a pouring rain after a three-day visit to Spain, where he was enthusiastically received by King Juan Carlos and the Socialist government of Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez.

While Mitterrand and Gorbachev attended a private dinner in honor of the Soviet Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, French and Soviet officials signed five cooperation agreements, including a financial agreement under which France will give the Soviet Union $1 billion in aid in the form of loans, credits, and export subsidies, officials said.

The two governments also signed a five-year industrial, technical, and scientific agreement. A third accord signed by Paris and Moscow concerns cooperation in the areas of labor, employment, and professional education.

That agreement calls for French involvement in a new international center of labor and social problems to train Soviet businessmen that will be formed in Moscow. Under the accord 2,000 Soviets will come to France for training in the workings of a market economy.

The last two agreements concern cooperation between public companies of both countries as well as in scientific projects.

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#90302u0438 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

PRETORIA, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 29) UPI - More than 150 years after his Afrikaner ancestors trekked north to evade a British ban on slavery, Markus

Louw is taking his family on a migration south to escape the racial reforms of President Frederik de Klerk.

''I'll be sorry to leave, of course. But even sorrier to stay and watch us being decimated,'' Louw says of his lifelong home in the nation's capital of Pretoria, where legislation is forcing down decades of racial barriers.

''It is very simple for us ... we are white and we are Afrikaners and we want to stay that way,'' adds the 46-year-old house painter, who affects leather pioneer-style garb, refuses to speak any language other than his mother tongue and forbids his wife and four children from doing so.

Louw and tens of thousands of other right-wing Afrikaners are horrified at the nine-month-old reforms of de Klerk. Like their ancestors in the 19th Century British Cape Colony who embarked on the Great Trek, they believe their right to self-determination is endangered.

Before de Klerk came to power last September, few of them believed they would ever give up total control over South Africa. But with apartheid gradually crumbling, many have abandoned the idea of control and will now settle for a whites-only haven.

Inspired in part by the separatist philosophy of the official opposition Conservative party, which wants South Africa partitioned for the different races, hundreds of Afrikaners have decided to act unilaterally.

They are planning to abandon the original northern settler cities, including Pretoria, and make a new white homeland in the arid but white- dominated and sparsely populated southwestern regions of the country.

The government and most of South Africa's 5 million whites scoff at the fervor of the would-be pioneers. But enthralled by the fiery bibilical rhetoric of men like Pretoria theology professor Carel Boshoff, who identifies Afrikaners as Israel's lost tribe and God's chosen people, the separatists are convinced they are right.

Up to 1,000 have told Boshoff they are going to move.

Louw, pointing to oval-framed photographs of bearded ancestors, says, ''They opened up this land with their rifles and their faith in almighty God. Our leaders have now chosen to betray their struggle, so new land will now be claimed.''

For Louw and many others, the final affront was the government's scrapping earlier this month of a 27-year-old law segregating public facilities, the Separate Amenities Act.

More than 50 Afrikaner families have over the past several years already

broken a path west for the others to follow, setting up home in various northern parts of the Cape Province historically unclaimed by blacks.

These 20th Century settlers, the core of the separatist movement, were prompted to uproot by the first tentative steps to reform by de Klerk's predecessor, Pieter W. Botha, even though his efforts were derided as cosmetic by anti-apartheid groups.

The settlers and the conservative Afrikaners already living in the small Cape Province towns have given their homeland a name - Orandee - and set up committees to oversee its transition to ''independence.''

The Orandee Development Corps, which will oversee economic growth, envisages at least five separate major migrations to the area in the coming year.

Boshoff, a leader of rightwing attempts to revive the Afrikaners' calvinist political and social traditions of past centuries, is a major force behind the settlement. He is convinced thousands of Afrikaners will eventually make Orandee their home.

''This will be ours, a home, a place to work, rest, and share with one another '' he says.

Whites plan to induce, but not force, the relatively few blacks present in Orandee to leave the region. Hennie van Vuuren, the town clerk of the region's town Olifantshoek, concedes, ''You can not wish the blacks and coloreds (mixed-race people) away.'' But he notes they will be offered unspecified ''incentives'' to leave.

De Klerk has warned the Conservative Party and its more extreme followers not to create racial conflict. He has told them change is inevitable and irreversible. ''A new South Africa is coming. ... They can not fight it. They must accept it,'' de Klerk said.

But people like Markus Louw are undeterred. ''Let him accept it if he wants. We're going to take care of ourselves.''

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(OCT. 29) UPI - A candidate for governor of Minnesota withdrew yesterday following charges that he carried on a nine-year affair with a woman during two marriages. Joe Grunseth quit as the Independent-Republican candidate. Grunseth almost dropped out of the race earlier when two women charged that he had a skinny-dipping party with teen-age girls in 1981. The Democratic candidate is incumbent Governor Rudy Perpich.

President Bush will use the eight days until the election campaigning for

Republican candidates and trying to minimize harm from the budget crisis. Bush campaigns today in San Francisco and Oklahoma City. Bush said his approach will be to say if there were more Republicans in Congress to control spending, the budget problem never would have happened.

Politicians spent yesterday debating the merits of the 101st Congress, which has adjourned. House Speaker Thomas Foley said the Congress ''has an extraordinary record.'' Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell praised its passage of the budget plan. But Vice President Dan Quayle said- ''This is truly a great day. Congress has finally left town and America is now safe.''

The Norwegian government resigned today because of differences over Norway's relationship with the European commuity. The government was a three-party coalition led by Conservative Premier Jan Syse. Syse may try to stay in power by forming a new minority government of one party. The cabinet held weekend meetings but the three parties- Conservative, Center and Christian Democrat- failed to resolve their differences.

Black South African leader Nelson Mandela says apartheid can NOT be replaced by another system that reserves special rights for whites. Mandela told a Japanese news service he rejects a South African government proposal to gives whites in the upper house of parliament veto power. Mandela said- ''Apartheid can NOT be removed by other forms of apartheid.''

Sources in Beirut say the guns could be quiet by this weekend. Syrian and Lebanese representatives met in Damascus yesterday and agreed to speed up plans to demilitarize the city. A demilitarized zone is to be established to separate militia factions that have been fighting for 15 years. Shiite Amal militia leader Nabih Berri returned from the meeting and ordered his followers to prepare for demilitarization.

12-hundred protesters fought with police in Washington yesterday as 30 Ku Klux Klan members paraded along Constitution Avenue. 14 people were injured, including eight police officers. A woman police officer suffered a fractured neck. The anti-klan protesters threw bricks, rocks and bottles at police. 40 demonstrators were arrested.

Rain hit the Northeast yesterday, with particularly blustery weather along the coast of Maine and New Hampshire. Gale warnings were posted. Showers extended south along the coast. Rain fell from northern California into Idaho and Montana. Cold weather and heavy winds were common around the Great Lakes and the upper Ohio valley.

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(OCT. 29) UPI - Differences over Norway's relationship with the European Community led to the resignation of the nation's premier today. He resigned

and advised the Speaker of the House to consult with party leaders on the formation of a new government.

A Soviet envoy has left Baghdad for Saudi Arabia after apparently failing to persuade Iraq's Saddam Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait. Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze says despite the setback, there still is a chance for a negotiated settlement.

The heads of state attending a European Community meeting in Rome agreed during the weekend that they would NOT send representatives of their governments to Baghdad to negotiate the release of hostages held by Iraq.

Police in South Africa say at least 16 people were killed and 33 wounded last night in three separate attacks. It's believed that black gunmen staged the attacks in revenge for the weekend stabbing death of a Zulu man in Soweto.

Black South African leader Nelson Mandela today told the Japanese news service Kyodo that he rejects a proposal by the South African government to allow black-majority rule, but reserve representation and veto power for whites in the upper house of parliament.

Sources in Beirut say that a weekend meeting of top Syrian and Lebanese leaders resulted in an agreement that a process to rid Beirut of warring militias should be finalized by this weekend.

Partial results from weekend voting in Pakistan show that the party of ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto suffered reverses in elections for all four of Pakistan's provincial assemblies. Bhutto earlier claimed that the elections were rigged.

Soviet leader Gorbachev and French President Mitterrand began a second day of talks today in Paris. Last night, the two signed five co-operation agreements, including a one-BILLION dollar French financial aid package for Moscow.

The mayor of Moscow said today in Tokyo that the economic transition plan that Mikhail Gorbachev approved earlier this month is doomed to failure. The mayor predicted that Gorbachev will eventually back away from his plan to maintain state control over many areas of the economy.

Observers from eight Western countries were in Soviet Georgia yesterday to moniter the republic's first free parliamentary elections. One official said as many as 75 percent of eligible voters participated in the vote. .

An election official says official results are NOT yet available, but that preliminary tabulations show that a pro-independence opposition bloc appears headed toward victory in Soviet Georgia. It would be a major defeat for the Communist government.

Members of Congress who hit the campaign trail today are hoping that there will be NO voter backlash from the long and stormy budget process. Congress passed a new 490 BILLION dollar budget this weekend, then adjourned.

Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki told voters in his hometown yesterday that he could NOT serve as prime minister if Lech Walesa is elected prersident. Mazowiecki said Walesa's constant criticism of government programs would make him difficult to work with.

Much of the nation is feeling cool weather this morning. Records for cold weather were set in the Midwest. The thermometer dipped to 22 degrees in Muskegon, Michigan, one degree lower than the previous record set in 1980.

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#90302u0538 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange rebounded Monday as a stronger Japanese yen raised hopes of lower domestic interest rates. Trading was described as light.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected blue chip stocks, which lost 346.99 points Friday, rebounded 323.67 points to 25,329.31.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major listed shares, which fell 19.59 points Friday, gained 15.03 points to 1, 876.09.

Volume was fairly low as an estimated 500 million shares changed hands, down from 548 million shares Friday.

Advances topped declines 678 to 306, while 141 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, investors on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange overcame a weak start to post modest gains as traders reacted positively to the U.S. Congress passing a deficit-reducing budget.

The leading Hang Seng Index, which added 8.8 points last Thursday, gained 12.65 points to 3,063.53. Hong Kong markets were closed Friday for a local holiday.

Among the narrower indexes, financials lost 4.50 points, industrials shed 9.60 utilities jumped 74.77 and properties gained 15.67 points.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 1.09 billion shares, compared with 1 billion shares changing hands Thursday.

In Singapore, stocks edged higher in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in line with the jump in Tokyo and some late bargain hunting.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which plummented 34.55 points Friday, added 2.12 points to 1,177.11. The broader-based All Singapore Index rose 0.78 points to 326.74.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 39.2 million shares, compared with 34.4 million shares changing hands Friday.

Stocks rebounded in slightly higher trading on the Thailand stock exchange in Bangkok.

In Manila, stocks closed lower on the Manila Exchange.

In Seoul, stocks also closed lower on the Korean Stock Exchange.

In Australia, stocks clower lower in light trading in the Sydney Sharemarket.

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#90302u0552 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Twenty-nine percent of blacks questioned in a recent poll said they believe or think it is possible that the U.S. government created the AIDS virus in a laboratory to infect black people, The New York Times said Monday.

Only five percent of the white people who answered the question feel it could be or is true and 83 percent of all respondents said it is almost certainly not true, the paper said.

The Times said the survey showed that many blacks feel that the availability of drugs in their neighborhoods, as well as prosecution of black politicians, also are signs of a racist campaign by the government.

The article cited an interview with Keith Brown, a black man whose brother died of AIDS believing that his death was caused by racists.

Brown said the theory is based on historical biases created during slavery and by looking at statistics of who is suffering with the disease the most.

''You can't be black and not feel that AIDS is some kind of experiment, some kind of plot to hit undesirable minority population,'' Brown told The Times. ''I don't want to believe that AIDS is some kind of government plot. But, I guess I do. I do believe it.''

More than three-quarters of the black respondents said they believe or think it's possible that the U.S. government singles out black politicians for investigation to discredit them, The Times said.

In addition, the poll showed that 60 percent of the blacks questioned feel

that the government might possibly or does, in fact, make sure that drugs are easily available in blacks communities, The Times said.

Of the black people polled, 77 percent said they believe the govenment is involved in targeting and investigating black politicians, in a way it does not do with white officials, as a means of discrediting them, The Times said.

Nearly half, or 47 percent, of all those questioned feel that the U.S. government might be engaged in targeting blacks, with 34 percent of whites polled saying they think it's true, the Times said.

On the drug issue, 32 percent of the total number of people questioned feel that U.S. policies are or could possibly be involved in deliberately providing easy access to drugs to residents in poor black neighborhoods, while only 16 percent of whites believed that.

The New York Times/CBS News poll of 1,047 adults who live in the city was conducted by telephone from June 17 through June 20. It surveyed the views of 408 blacks and 484 whites. The margin of sampling error for blacks was plus or minus five percentage points and for whites was plus or minus four percentage points, the newspaper said.

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#90302u0589 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - An important international conference on the greenhouse effect opened today in Geneva, Switzerland. About 500 scientists from 100 nations are writing guidelines to reverse atmospheric warming which threatens the environment. Reports to be presented blame fuels used for heating and vehicles for more than half of the so-called greenhouse effect.

Black gunmen made three attacks in the black township of Soweto near Johannesburg, South Africa, last night. Police say the gunmen killed at least 16 people, apparently in revenge for the killing of a Zulu man. In that killing, police arrested a 20-year-old believed to belong to the African National Congress youth wing.

Norway's government resigned today because the three parties making up the coalition could NOT agree on European Community policy. One party refuses to repeal century-old laws limiting foreign investment. The laws have to be abolished before Norway can have closer ties with the E-C.

Opposition leaders in the Ivory Coast charge supporters of the west African government with fraud in yesterday's presidential election. They say ballot boxes were filled with votes for President Felix Houphouet- Boigny even before voting began. All political experts expect Houphouet-Boigny to win the election easily.

Former President Ronald Reagan says re-shaping the economy is the proudest achievement of his presidential years. Reagan's memoirs have been excerpted in Time magazine. Reagan says he regrets NOT balancing the budget. He says of his failure- quoting him- ''I just didn't deliver as much to the people as I promised.''

White House Chief of Staff John Sununu believes President Bush's poor showing in the polls is temporary. A poll shows that only 48 percent of Americans questions like the job Bush is doing. Bush lost some popularity because of the budget crisis. Sununu said- ''He cast some of his political capital for the benefit of the country.''

Members of Congress had to cast a controversial vote over the weekend on the budget. Now they have to face the voters. Senate Republican leader Robert Dole predicts that Americans will put up with the higher taxes in the budget to resolve the deficit crisis.

A Minnesota gubernatorial candidate has dropped out of the race because of several sex charges. The latest accusation against Independent-Republican candidate Jon Grunseth is from a woman who said she had a nine-year affair with him. Earlier, two other women said Grunseth swam nude with teen-age girls in 1981.

The Soviet Union's biggest holiday- the November 7th anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution- is approaching. Some citizens wonder if the traditional military parade in Red Square is necessary. A newspaper poll says half of those surveyed are against it. Moscow's NON-communist city council said people should spend the day preparing their homes for winter.

Record lows chilled the Midwest this morning. Muskegon, Michigan, had 22 degrees. The West by contrast, is warm. Salt Lake City's lowest temperature was 50, tying a record. Narragansett Bay in Rhode Island and Cape Lookout in Oregon both have high winds. Much of the California coast had thick fog this morning.

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(OCT. 29) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	75	40	....
Anchorage pc	32	18	....
Asheville sy	64	30	....
Atlanta sy	68	42	....
Baltimore pc	58	31	....
Billings pc	66	42	....
Birmingham sy	73	38	....

Bismarck pc	64	30	....
Boston pc	48	36	.33
Brownsville sy	82	57	....
Buffalo pc	47	38	.01
Burlington Vt. cy	41	27	.11
Charleston S.C. sy	68	44	....
Charlotte sy	64	35	....
Chicago sy	60	40	....
Cincinnati sy	58	39	....
Cleveland pc	51	35	....
Columbus Ohio sy	55	35	....
Dallas sy	82	55	....
Denver sy	76	38	....
Des Moines sy	68	47	....
Detroit sy	55	39	....
Duluth pc	56	36	....
El Paso sy	79	45	....
Evansville sy	65	41	....
Fargo sy	62	34	....
Hartford pc	50	27	.01
Honolulu pc	87	73	.02
Houston sy	81	54	....
Indianapolis sy	62	40	....
Jackson Miss. sy	75	40	....
Jacksonville sy	74	48	....
Kansas City sy	73	49	....
Las Vegas sy	85	54	....
Little Rock sy	72	46	....
Los Angeles hz	80	61	....
Louisville sy	63	41	....
Memphis sy	70	48	....
Miami Beach pc	82	68	.03
Milwaukee sy	58	41	....
Minneapolis sy	64	40	....
Nashville sy	66	40	....
New Orleans sy	73	50	....
New York sy	53	39	....
Oklahoma City sy	77	55	....
Omaha sy	74	47	....
Orlando sy	81	59	....
Philadelphia sy	51	34	....
Phoenix sy	93	66	....
Pittsburgh pc	50	33	....
Portland Me. w	48	27	.60
Portland Ore. r	60	47	.15
Providence pc	47	32	.23
Richmond sy	61	31	....
St. Louis sy	69	49	....

Salt Lake City pc	74	44	....
San Antonio sy	81	52	....
San Diego fy	73	60	....
San Francisco sy	68	53	....
San Juan pc	90	76	....
Seattle r	56	46	.14
Spokane pc	53	38	....
Tampa sy	81	59	....
Washington sy	58	36	....
Wichita w	76	50	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90302u0749 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST (OCT. 29) UPI - The ruling party claimed victory Monday in the country's first multiparty election, hours before the first results had been received from balloting that opposition politicians charged was rigged.

Overnight Sunday, only five results had been confirmed for the 175- member National Assembly, giving the 85-year-old president, Felix Houphouet-Boigny, up to 96 per cent in some constituencies.

The country's only daily national newspaper, Faternite-Matin, owned by the ruling Democratic Party (PDCI), headlined Houphouet-Boigny's victory in its first edition. Some polling stations were still operating at 11.30 p.m. Sunday when victory was already being claimed by the PDCI.

At a late night press conference Sunday, the leader of the opposition Ivorian Popular Front (FPI), Laurent Gbagbo, accused the PDCI of mounting large-scale fraud throughout the country to guarantee Houphouet-Boigny's victory in the polls, the first in which rival parties could compete.

''We knew that the PDCI would cheat because the PDCI is in a minority in the country,'' he said. ''The government, and in particular the ministry of the interior, is incompetant, incapable and irresponsible when it comes to planning elections.''

FPI figures from different parts of the Ivory Coast early Monday, based on the votes of less than 10 percent of the estimated 4 million voters, claimed the opposition had won 51 percent of the vote.

But the figures were based on a large FPI vote in Abidjan, the capital, and did not include many of the conservative rural districts that were expected to vote heavily in favor of Houphouet-Boigny.

Gbagbo accused the PDCI of filling ballot boxes with votes cast in its favor at polling stations throughout the country before voting began. He also said the PDCI created secret polling stations in all parts of the Ivory Coast in order to ensure that no FPI officials were there to prevent irregularities.

Modest Digbou, an FPI official in the Abidjan suburb of Yopougon, said he discovered 317 polling stations in the district, while only 186 appeared on the official list.

Gbagbo described the election as a ''masquerade,'' saying, ''There's a climate of insurrection in many parts of the country.''

The PDCI newspaper used this statement to accuse Gbagbo of ''inciting a civil war'' in the country.

The government has not responded to the accusations of fraud.

Claude Regnier, a senior French interior ministry official visiting from Paris said, ''Clearly the opposition has given instructions to sabotage the elections.''

In minor election-linked violence, police said anti-government protesters Sunday night attacked property owned by government supporters in some parts of Abidjan Sunday night. They reported about 15 FPI supporters were arrested after the disturbances.

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#90302u0802 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - Nobel Peace Prize winner Mother Teresa is reportedly the latest to outline a peace plan for Iraq's Saddam Hussein. That's the word from Daniel Lillis, deputy secretary-general of the international charity Refugee Year. He says his one-year-old group is trying to organize a regional peace conference to ease tensions in the Persian Gulf. .

All of this comes as the special envoy of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev ends a second round of talks with Saddam and heads home. Envoy Yevgeny Primokov left for Saudi Arabia after apparently failing to persuade Saddam to remove Iraqi troops from Kuwait. Some Arab newspapers described Primakov's mission as the ''last chance for peace.''

In Paris, Soviet President Gorbachev says war in the Persian Gulf is unacceptable. Gorbachev, who is holding two days of talks with French President Francois Mitterrand, today called on Saudi Arabia to work for an ''inter-Arab'' solution to the occupation of Kuwait. The 1990 Nobel Peace Prize winner says Iraq would more readily accept an Arab solution to the Gulf crisis than a peace plan offered by the United Nations or the West.

Differences over relationships with the European Community has led to collapse of Norway's three-party, Conservative-led coalition government. The Scandinavian country voted down membership in the E-C back in 1972 in a referendum. The latest crisis came on a fight to repeal Norwegian laws that limit foreign investment in the country. They were passed in the last century to keep foreign companies or individuals from taking control of Norwegian firms.

President Bush is back on the campaign trail visiting San Francisco today, stumping for Republican candidates in the November 6th elections. Bush hopes his Western trip will help ease voter anger over the budget wars that forced him to retreat on his 1988 promise NOT to raise taxes. The president spent the weekend in Hawaii, where he held a summit with leaders of Pacific island nations and campaigned for Republicans in between golf and swimming outings.

The Communists are about to lose an election in Georgia- in the U-S- S-R, that is. The balloting is for the first free parliamentary elections in the Soviet republic and voters were faced with choices from among 19-hundred candidates representing more than 30 parties. The latest check indicates a pro-independence opposition block may sweep the elections.

South African police say black gunmen killed 16 people and wounded 33 others in three attacks apparently to avenge the weekend stabbing of a Zulu man in the Soweto township. It's the worst urban violence in the area near Johannesburg in more than a month. In September, gunmen attacked a passenger train on the outskirts of Soweto killing 26 people.

Gusty winds hitting 40 miles an hour prompted a gale warning in Narragansett Bay off Providence, Rhode Island, this morning. Elsewhere, cool fall temperatures sent the mercury to record lows in the Midwest and thick fog blanketed the California coast from San Diego to Eureka. Visibility along the coast near San Diego was down to an eight of a mile in some areas.

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#90302u0835 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 26: Purchases of 304,875 shares and sales of 428,659 shares including 18,034 shares sold short.

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#90302u0842 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
HOUSTON (OCT. 29) UPI - Domestic and offshore drilling jumped last week, energy industry surveys showed Monday.

Baker Hughes Inc. said a total of 1,107 rotary rigs were operating in the United States last week compared with 1,089 the week before and 1, 010 the same week a year ago.

Offshore Data Service reported a strong six-rig increase in the Gulf of Mexico last week. That bumped the rig utilization rate in that area to 67.6 percent, with 144 rigs working out of a fleet of 213.

Two rigs came off contracts in European waters, leaving 128 rigs working there out of a fleet of 138. But the utilization rate is still healthy at 92.8 percent.

The increase in the Gulf of Mexico helped boost the worldwide utilization rate to 82.4 percent with 552 rigs working out of a total 670.

Other relevant rig counts included Louisiana, 156 last week, 147 the week before and 148 the same week a year ago; New Mexico, 72, 72 and 54; Texas 375, 374 and 320; and Canada, 143, 159 and 158.

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#90302u0866 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
NAIROBI, KENYA (OCT. 29) UPI - Belgian troops will pull out of the tiny east African nation of Rwanda this week, testing the strength of a fragile cease-fire in the month-old civil war, diplomats in Nairobi said Monday.

But two Belgian Air Force C130 transport planes were to be stationed somewhere in the region - probably Nairobi - diplomats said, to cope with any emergency evacuation from Rwanda.

One Nairobi-based diplomat said domestic pressure forced the Belgian pullout. ''It was extremely difficult for them to deploy troops abroad. It was very unpopular at home,'' he said.

Political analysts said the troop withdrawal will have more of a psychological

than a military impact, perhaps propelling the rebels into breaking the fragile cease-fire.

Belgium sent 550 troops to its former colony to protect its 1,600 nationals living there shortly after civil war broke out in the northern part of the country. They were joined by some 300 French Legionnaires.

About 300 Belgian citizens have been evacuated. One senior diplomat in Nairobi who asked not to be identified, said others would be evacuated when they wished to leave.

The Belgian forces were expected to leave Friday, 10 days after a Belgian-Rwandan coordinated cease-fire took effect. There have been incidents of sporadic gunfire since the cease-fire was imposed.

''The cease-fire seems to be working today. Now let's see if the good faith is there'' to translate the cease-fire into a lasting peace agreement, the senior diplomat said.

The rebel invasion from neighboring Uganda is widely seen as a continuation of historical tribal warfare between the currently ruling Hutu tribe and the invading Tutsi tribe.

Led by Maj. Gen. Fred Rwigyema, the rebels have vowed to overthrow Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana's government, accusing it of corruption and cliquish politics.

The leaders of Rwanda, Burundi, Zaire and Uganda met last Saturday and agreed to send into Rwanda a regional cease-fire monitoring force followed by a peacekeeping force.

It was not known if the rebel Rwandese Patriotic Front would accept the presidents' decision.

''It's anyone's guess if the regional solution will work. But there has to be a cease-fire or else everyone will get massacred,'' one European diplomat said. ''(However,) if people are going to kill each other, there's nothing you can do about it.''

The senior diplomat said the cease-fire would have a better chance of surviving with a monitoring force in place. ''It seems a ceasefire could work with observers there. This could then lead to dialogue,'' the diplomat said.

''All the neighboring countries have an interest, because (the trouble) could spread to their countries. There are a lot of Tutsis all around,'' he said.

According to the United Nations High Commission for Refugees, there are some 500,000 Rwandan refugees living in the countries surrounding Rwanda.

Diplomats said the number is far higher, as the UNHCR does not take into account those who have been drafted into other national armies or those who have adopted their host country's nationality.

''But these people still consider themselves Rwandans and would return to Rwanda,'' said one diplomat monitoring the situation.

Most of the refugees fled tribal killings and food shortages in Rwanda in the late 1950s and 1960s.

Habyarimana has said his country - the most densely populated in Africa - had no room for returning exiles and has requested the host nations to grant citizenship to Rwandans living there.

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#90302u0883 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (OCT. 29) UPI - Taxi and truck drivers returned to work Monday and mass transit and food delivery resumed normal service following three days of nationwide protests over a huge increase in gasoline prices.

The demonstrations, which included blockades of border crossings and major transportation routes, ended late Sunday after the government agreed to reduce by half a nearly 70 percent price hike that went into effect Friday.

Despite the agreement, economic officials warned of possible fuel shortages in the weeks ahead amid heavy criticism of the government's handling of the crisis.

''It seems that there is no limit to the demagogy which is fueled by power and haughtiness,'' said the newspaper Magyar Nemzet in an editoral lambasting the government for imposing the increases without consulting with opposition and labor leaders.

A signed commentary in the daily Magyar Hirlap faulted the ruling coalition for allowing the crisis to drag on for three days, throwing the country into turmoil, before agreeing to a compromise.

''The government, which is still learning democracy, will have to bear the serious responsibility for the crisis,'' the article stated. ''This government does not like negotiations and does not like to cooperate.''

The nationwide protests plunged Hungary into its worst crisis since last spring's democratic elections that swept Communists from power. The blockades of major transportation routes brought mass transit and interstate traffic to a standstill and prevented delivery of bread, milk and other foods.

All the barricades had been dismantled by Monday morning. Grocery stores in Budapest were being restocked and buses and trolleys resumed normal service.

The state-run oil and natural gas company said Monday there is enough gasoline to meet immediate needs, barring a spate of panic buying, but a spokesman warned Hungary has only enough reserves to last four to five days.

The official said contracted oil deliveries from the Soviet Union are expected to fall short again in November and December, forcing the company to buy additional crude oil at world market prices.

The price hikes announced Thursday stemmed from the cutback in Soviet oil deliveries and higher crude oil costs resulting from the Persian Gulf crisis, triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The cost of a quart of high octane gasoline rose Friday from 60 cents to $1, with similar increases for lower-grade fuel. Under the compromise reached Sunday night, prices will drop by .19 cents beginning Tuesday.

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#90302u0894 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

HIGHLAND PARK, Mich. (OCT. 29) UPI - Chrysler Corp., aggravated by high marketing costs, a sluggish economy and a loss in minivan production, Monday reported a third-quarter loss of $214 million, its second quarterly loss since 1982.

Chrysler's 1989 third quarter net earnings were $331 million, or $1.42 a share including a one-time after-tax gain of $309 million on the sale of 75 million shares of Mitsubishi Motors Corp. stock.

Without the gain, year-ago earnings for the nation's No. 3 carmaker would have been $22 million, or 10 cents a share.

Chrysler's sales during the third quarter totaled $6.5 billion, down from $7.6 billion a year ago.

Chrysler, which faces a midnight expiration of its labor contract covering about 67,000 U.S. hourly workers, is the first of the nation's Big Three carmakers to report third quarter earnings this week.

Chrysler still remained profitable for the first nine months of 1990, reporting net earnings of $37 million, or 17 cents a share, sharply reduced from net earnings of $1.02 billion, or $4.38 a share for the first nine months of 1989. Sales were $23 billion, compared with $27.2 billion a year ago.

''We anticipated 1990 would be a tough year for Chrysler and for the industry, so we launched our major cost cutting program over a year ago, '' Chrysler

Chairman Lee Iacocca said.

''We didn't anticipate the Gulf Crisis, the federal budget fiasco or the continued escalation in the (buyer) incentive wars, so we've increased our cost reduction goals to $2.5 billion over two years.''

Chrysler had intended to cut costs $1.5 billion by June 1991. The latest cost reduction program, announced by Iacocca earlier this year, is designed to make the carmaker lean enough to withstand the current market downturn.

By the end of the year, Chrysler's salaried employment levels will be about the same as in 1984, in spite of the addition of the American Motors business in 1987, Iacocca said.

''We face tremendous costs to fund our product plan and programs in the years ahead,'' he said. ''Even so, we are maintaining our aggressive, five-year product program, including nearly $7 billion in the next two years to continue the momentum that began with our new 1991 minivans.''

Chrysler's North American vehicle sales, however, fell 20.3 percent during the quarter to 346,818 units, from 434,982 units in the year ago quarter, partly due to a 56,000 units of lost minivan production.

Sales for the first nine months of the year fell 19.1 percent to nearly 1.32 million units, from 1.63 million units during the comparable period of 1989. In Europe, Chrysler's retail sales for the first nine months were up 9 percent.

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#90302u0903 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand a decision allowing a police officer to be sued for leaving a woman stranded on a roadway at night. The woman was raped while trying to walk home.

The case involves a Washington State trooper who arrested a man for driving while intoxicated at about 2:30 a.m. on Sept. 24, 1984, and locked the man's girlfriend out of the car and drove away with the DWI suspect in custody.

The woman, alone and 5 miles from home, began walking. She eventually accepted a ride from a man she claims raped her.

A federal district court ruled that Officer Steven Ostrander was free from prosecution under legal protection known as qualified immunity.

The district court found Ostrander owed no ''affirmative constitutional duty of protection'' to the woman involved.

But the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, by a 2-1 vote, reversed the lower

court and ruled that Ostrander was not protected from prosecution because there was a question of whether he ''deprived her of a liberty interest protected by the Constitution by affirmatively placing her in danger and then abandoning her.''

''If Ostrander acted as (the woman) claims he did, Ostrander is not entitled to the defense of qualified immunity,'' the court majority wrote.

The woman claims she was denied her rights to liberty and personal security in violation of the Due Process Clause of the 14th Amendment. She is seeking unspecified damages.

In 1982, the Supreme Court adopted an objective qualified immunity standard stating that government officials performing discretionary functions generally are shielded from liability for civil damages ''insofar as their conduct does not violate clearly established statutory or constitutional rights of which a reasonable person would have known.''

89-1409 Steven C. Ostrander vs. Linda K. Wood

-30- 2083

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NAGS HEAD, NC (OCT. 29) UPI - The severed bridge that is the only link between Hatteras Island and the mainland could be repaired within 45 days, state officials say.

Previous estimates indicated repairs could take at least six months. A dredge battered the bridge during a Friday storm, causing a 370-foot section of the structure to collapse.

Residents of Hatteras and nearby Ocracoke Island are anxious to see the Herbert C. Bonner Bridge repaired. Hundreds of cars were waiting Monday morning for ferry service across Oregon Inlet to the mainland, officials said.

Sunday night, more than 500 cars waited to catch ferries from Ocracoke to the mainland. Red Cross volunteers distributed food, coffee and blankets to motorists who waited in line throughout the night to keep their spots.

Officials told residents on Sunday it would take at least 30 hours to move everyone waiting in line off Ocracoke. Tourists were told to remain on Hatteras until the traffic thinned.

State and local officials met with residents Sunday at Cape Hatteras School to brief them on bridge repair plans and emergency response efforts. Thirty-nine people on Sunday stayed at the school, which was set up as a shelter over the weekend.

State Sen. Marc Basnight said repairs to the span could be completed by Christmas.

''Hopefully, the bridge can be opened again in 45 days,'' Basnight said. ''That is the working schedule.''

Basnight noted bad weather could delay the project. Officials have estimated it will cost close to $2.6 million to repair the bridge.

Hatteras Island's 5,000 residents have had to cope with widespread power outages, a lack of phone service and sporadic water shortages. Supplies and generators are being ferried to the island.

Lines of motorists waiting for ferries on Sunday stretched up to three miles.

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(OCT. 29) UPI - Soviet President Gorbachev is calling for an Arab solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. The winner of the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize told a news conference in Paris today that war in the gulf is unacceptable. Gorbachev suggests Saudi Arabia try to negotiate an ''inter-Arab'' peace plan.

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The justices also let stand a case involving a Washington State trooper who left a woman stranded on a roadway at night after he arrested an intoxicated driver. The woman was raped by a man who offered her a ride while she was walking home alone. An appeals court said she could sue the police officer.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 29) UPI - Thailand and Vietnam agreed Monday to leave minor points in a proposed Cambodian peace settlement to the disputing Cambodian factions and turn their attention to economic development, officials said.

''Vietnam wants to expand economic cooperation with ASEAN (the Association of Southeast Asian Nations), particularly Thailand,'' Thai government spokesman Suvit Yodmanee said after about 90 minutes of talks between Thai leaders and Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach.

Thach and Thai Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan agreed that both sides have carried out their obligations to help set up a Supreme National Council to represent Cambodia's sovereignty until U.N.- supervised election can be held, Suvit said.

''Vietnam's duty has already ended on the Cambodian issue, they (Cambodians) must negotiate by themselves,'' Suvit quoted Thach as saying.

He said Thach proposed that Vietnam's Prime Minister Do Muoi meet with Chatichai in order to strengthen bilateral economic relations.

''Our premier doesn't object it and welcomes a meeting,'' Suvit said.

Thach said Do Muoi would visit Thailand ''soon'' at Chatichai's invitation.

Improvements in Thai-Vietnamese relations have been hampered by the Cambodian conflict which pits the Phnom Penh government installed by Vietnam's 1978 invasion against a three-party resistance coalition backed by Thailand.

Both sides have accepted in principle a U.N. peace framework, but progress has bogged down over the details of implementation, including the leadership of the SNC.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - The Supreme court Monday let stand a decision allowing a court to tack extra years onto a convict's sentence for using a firearm in commission of a felony, even if use of the gun was never proved at trial.

The court refused to review the Montana statute allowing up to 10 years additional prison time for a criminal found to have used a firearm in committing a crime.

The state defines the firearm usage as a ''sentencing factor'' rather than a separate crime, and thus contends evidence of gun use need not be separately submitted to a jury for factual determination.

The case involves Thomas Krantz, convicted in 1987 of one count of robbery of a Missoula pizza business and one count of accountability for robbery for driving a getaway car in a motel robbery.

Krantz was sentenced to 30 years on each count, to run concurrently, and a separate 10 years for weapon usage on each count. The weapon usage sentences are concurrent with each other but consecutive to the 30-year term, meaning Krantz's sentence is 40 years.

Krantz claims the state violated his Sixth Amendment right to be advised of the charges against him and added the 10 years to his prison term without ever proving he used a gun.

The state contends it alleged the use of a weapon in its affidavit and witnesses repeatedly testified that Krantz and his accomplice used a handgun during the robberies.

The Montana Supreme Court found the state was in error by failing to officially charge use of a weapon in its charging document. But by a 5-2 vote

it upheld the sentence, finding that Krantz had ''actual notice that use of a weapon would be considered during sentencing.''

Krantz claimed the weapon statute must be viewed as defining a ''separate crime'' or an element of an aggravated version of the underlying crime, and so ''full due process protections'' are legally necessary and the statute is unconstitutional.

The state says its weapons provision may be seen as a ''sentencing factor'' requiring only minimal due process protections. It also noted that in this case, Krantz could have been sentenced to a total of 90 years.

''A state should not be allowed to write a criminal statute and, simply by directing that it be placed with the sentencing provisions, absolve itself of the burden of charging and proving the act it wishes to punish,'' Krantz's attorney wrote the court. ''To do so would undermine the Sixth Amendment requirement that the defendant be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation against him and the right to a trial by jury.''

89-2004 Thomas F. Krantz vs. The State of Montana

-30- 2860

#90302u0928 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (OCT. 29) UPI - German communists expressed optimism Monday over their chances of returning deputies to Parliament in the Dec. 2 national elections, despite a widening scandal involving party finances.

In Berlin, a public prosecutor's office spokesman announced further investigations into allegations that communist politicians illegally transferred $71 million in bank accounts.

But Gregor Gysi, who heads the party - renamed the Party for Democratic Socialism - said he had no doubt the PDS will win some parliamentary seats at the elections, the first national voting since Oct. 3 unification.

''I am confident that we will make it,'' he said.

Gysi rejected calls from other parties that the PDS disband, claiming the party ''represents a relatively large group of people in eastern Germany, who do not have a spokesman in Parliament.''

''We will not disband the party,'' he said at a news conference held in Bonn to kick off the party's election campaign in western Germany.

The party's isolation in German politics deepened last week when two party officials, Wolfgang Langnitschke and treasurer Wolfgang Pohl, were arrested after they admitted illegally transferring $71 million from party funds to

foreign bank accounts.

''Fearing that the party would be banned and its property confiscated, we were exclusively concerned with securing funds for future party work,'' Pohl said Friday.

Gysi estimated the party's resources at $1 billion and said the party already has given most of its holdings to the state.

Police have not uncovered evidence linking Gysi to the transfer of funds.

Gysi has headed the PDS since last December when the Stalinist leadership of the party - then called the Socialist Unity Party - was forced to resign after ruling the country for 40 years.

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#90302u0938 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday refused to review a claim by a convicted sex offender that the Illinois rape shield law barring a woman's prior sexual history from being exposed at a sexual assault trial is unconstitutional.

The high court rejected arguments in a case brought by Santiago Sandoval, who claimed the rape shield statute denied him an opportunity to question the credibility of the woman who accused him of rape.

Rape shield laws, now used in virtually every state and by the federal government and the military, were established to protect a woman from having her past sexual activity from being exposed at a rape trial and to prevent a defendant from using it to harass and humiliate her.

Sandoval was accused of raping his girlfriend, whom he had lived with at one time, after she refused to have sex with him.

She testified that on New Year's Eve 1986, she and Sandoval were at a bar and then went back to his apartment. She said he raped her and then she left his home with only her undergarments and sought help from a neighbor who called police.

Sandoval was convicted by a Lake County, Ill., jury in 1987 of sexual assault and battery and was sentenced to 15 years in prison.

Sandoval claimed he was denied a fair trial because the judge did not permit another man to testify about his sexual relationship with the woman. Sandoval's attorney claims the man would have testified to having engaged in a sexual act with the woman that she told the jury she performed only with Sandoval - thus casting doubt on her overall truthfulness.

Sandoval, who had dated the woman for several months before the rape charge, claimed she made up the story as an act of vengeance when he said their relationship was ending.

His attorneys argued the rape shield law was being abused and should not apply because the woman voluntarily brought up her past sexual activity in testimony and thus ''opened the door'' to an inquiry at trial that could have cast doubt on her credibility.

On appeal, Sandoval's convictions were reversed and the case was sent back for a new trial. The Illinois appeals court ruled that the trial judge should have permitted the male witness to testify about his sexual relationship with the woman.

It also said a witness who might have compromised the woman's claim that she had not dated since the alleged rape also should have been allowed to testify.

''In this present case ... the victim, by her own action at trial, rendered her past sexual activities relevant and thus admissible,'' the appeals court wrote. ''Since credibility of the witness was the crucial issue in the case, (Sandoval) was severely prejudiced when he was precluded from impeaching (the woman's) testimony about her past activity.''

It also ruled that to interpret the law to never allow testimony about a woman's sexual past beyond her relationship with an alleged assailant ''would encourage witnesses in these circumstances to testify without regard for the truth, secure in the knowledge that they were insulated by the rape shield statute from confrontation with any untruths they may choose to express.''

The Illinois Supreme Court, however, reinstated Sandoval's convictions, ruling that the rape shield law clearly holds that past sexual history is inadmissible except concerning the sexual relationship with the accused.

Sandoval's lawyers asked the high court to rule whether the Illinois rape shield statute is unconstitutional, or whether it violated the Sixth Amendment and 14th Amendment in how it was applied in this case.

In asking the high court not to review the case, the state of Illinois wrote that rape shield laws ''plainly promote accurate fact- finding by excluding evidence of unchastity which virtually all jurisdictions have determined is irrelevant in light of contemporary sexual mores. A defendant's attempt to emphasize the issue of chastity risks unjust acquittals.''

90-66 Santiago Sandoval vs. State of Illinois

#90302u0946 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand a decision that law enforcement authorities can keep records of an arrest and indictment even if they stemmed from an illegal police search.

The case grew out of the Jan. 22, 1984, arrest of Hughes Bagley Jr., by police in Iowa on weapons charges. Police opened a locked briefcase belonging to Bagley without obtaining a search warrant, and the evidence was later thrown out of court.

The government dismissed its indictment against Bagley, but he asked a federal district court to go further and order the government to expunge all evidence of the arrest and indictment from its records.

The court, however, denied the motion, noting the indictment included ''valuable law enforcement records'' and that Bagley had failed to show the records would be misused by the government. It also stated expunging is normally considered only in ''extreme circumstances'' and a request to expunge records must pass a ''balancing test'' against the government's interest in keeping records, and this did not qualify.

The 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the lower court's decision.

Bagley contended that because the entire record of his arrest and indictment was based on a constitutional violation by police, he was entitled to have his record expunged. He also contended the decision not to expunge the records violated his Fourth Amendment right to unreasonable searches and seizures and stood in contrast to the rulings of other circuit courts.

The Justice Department, in asking the high court not to hear the case, argued that retaining such arrest records ''serves the important function of promoting effective law enforcement.''

90-125 Hughes Anderson Bagley, Jr., vs. United States

-30- 1976

#90302u0975 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday refused to become involved in a dispute over whether public school districts not in violation of court desegregation orders can be ordered to accept students from neighboring school districts that are in violation.

The court refused to hear arguments in the case out of Kansas City, Mo.

The 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals had reversed a district court's ruling against 134 black students from an inner-city school district and ordered a lower federal court to develop a voluntary interdistrict transfer program with

schools in the suburbs.

The case rose out of the 1985 court-ordered desegregation of the Kansas City, Missouri School District. The order included a provision that the state actively seek cooperation of suburban school districts in the area to participate in a voluntary inter-district transfer program.

The order would require the state to pay for the transportation and tuition of black students who transfer from a city school in which their race is in the majority to a suburban school in which their race is in the minority.

The transfer would be based on available space in the suburban schools. The participating suburban school districts would agree to accept a student unless he or she had a history of serious discipline problems.

In 1986, the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the use of the so-called voluntary inter-district transfer program. Two years later, 134 black students filed suit after applying for and being denied admission into three suburban school districts.

In fact, not a single suburban school district has accepted a single black city resident under the 1985 proposal.

The district court upheld the rights of the suburban schools to reject the students, noting that a finalized inter-jurisdictional program had yet to be established, including the question of whether the state actually would pay transportation and tuition costs.

The appeals court then ruled this spring that even though the plan was supposed to be voluntary and operated by the state, it was time for the lower court to step in and implement its own plan. ''After five years, we believe that further delay cannot be countenanced,'' the appeals court wrote.

The three school districts appealed the case to the Supreme Court, arguing that they should not be forced to cooperate in a desegregation program meant to benefit another district when they are not in violation of court desegregation orders and did nothing to cause racial problems in the city schools.

In asking the high court to step in, the school districts - North Kansas City, Independence and Lee's Summit - noted the dissent of 8th Circuit Judge Pasco Bowman - who said the court's rationale had an ''Alice-in-Wonderland'' quality.

''On the one hand, the suburban districts, not having been found guilty of a constitutional violation ... cannot judicially be compelled to take part in an inter-district remedy,'' wrote Bowman. ''On the other hand, our court has made them an offer they can't refuse: unless they start 'voluntarily' admitting transfers from the Kansas City School District, they will be adjudged to be

violating the Equal Protection Clause, and then will be subject to full remedial powers of the federal courts. I think no more than this need be said to demonstrate the unmistakably coercive nature of the panel opinion.''

An attorney for the black students contends the suburban school districts violated their own admission standards by refusing to allow inner-city blacks into their schools, but said the school districts jumped the gun in asking for high court review.

''No court has ordered any of the petitioners to participate in a voluntary inter-district transfer plan,'' wrote the attorney. ''Nor has any court made findings of fact adverse to petitioners. Rather, the court of appeals has simply directed the district court to inquire into the motivation that has led the (suburban school districts) to follow long held policies and admit white inter-district transfer students but to abandon those same policies and refuse to admit black transfer students.

90-391 Lee's Summit Reorganized School District R-7, et al., vs. Jennifer T. Naylor, et al.

-30- 4513

#90302u0988 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand an Arizona ruling that a private hospital can be required to give emergency medical care to a patient even if it cannot obtain payment from the patient or reimbursement from the state.

The court refused to hear an appeal by St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center in Phoenix of a decision by Maricopa County not to reimburse the hospital for some $50,000 in bills incurred in 1985 through care of a patient the hospital claims was legally indigent.

The county, however, said because the patient's wife owned property valued at more than the level at which the county would then reimburse a hospital, the patient did not qualify for Medicaid.

The hospital sued Maricopa County in an effort to recover the $50, 000, arguing that under Arizona's community property laws, the patient - Donald Neu - had no legal right to his wife's separate assets and the hospital had no right to collect its charges from Neu's wife.

The Arizona courts, however, decided against the hospital, ruling that the total separate assets of a husband and wife could be used to exclude them from qualifying for Medicaid - even if only the legally communal assets of a couple could be seized by a hospital as payment.

Neu's wife, who owned a home, a Cadillac, two other vehicles and a house

trailer, as well as stock in a shopping center, refused to pay, leaving the hospital with no legal recourse to pay its bills, it claimed.

''In some cases, spouses will no doubt decline to pay,'' the Arizona Court of Appeals wrote in its decision. ''It is not, however, irrational that the legislature expect that those possessing sufficient separate assets will voluntarily pay for a spouse's necessary medical care.''

The hospital, asking the high court to review the case, said: ''Under the reasoning of the Arizona courts the government may compel a private hospital to provide free medical care while simultaneously denying the hospital any ability, even theoretical, to obtain reimbursement.

''The court should grant the writ in order to consider whether the public's admitted need for emergency health care inherently confers a carte blanche right on the government to force hospitals to render those services for free.''

But in asking the court not to hear the case, the county wrote that Neu's household ''had clear title to several vehicles and recreational items like a trailer, as well as an expensive house and a shopping center. These are not the kind of people (the 'poorest of the poor') that the Legislature had in mind to pay for.''

Arizona has since amended its law to exempt the first $75,000 of a spouse's separate assets from the indigency calculation for community property.

Justice Byron White voted to hear the case, but four votes are needed for the court to consider an issue.

89-1855 St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center vs. Maricopa County

-30- 3163

#90302u1007 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand a decision that a jury member's personal investigation of part of a crime scene during a trial did not constitute grounds for overturning a murder conviction.

A Maryland man, Timothy Scott Sherman, claims he was wrongfully convicted of killing his parents because a juror at this trial independently visited the cite where he allegedly hid the murder weapon.

During Sherman's 1988 trial in Harford County, Md., a juror and his wife visited the property of Sherman's grandparents, who also were his neighbors, to look at a pine tree where prosecutors said Sherman hid the shotgun he used to slay his parents.

Sherman was 19 and living at home when his parents were shot to death while in

bed on Oct. 12, 1987. He was convicted of two counts of first- degree murder and sentenced to two life terms in prison.

Normally at criminal trials jurors are ordered not to discuss the case and to carefully avoid outside access to information about the case even through media accounts.

Sherman, who maintains his innocence, claims the unauthorized visit to the scene violated his Sixth Amendment right to a fair trial and is grounds for granting a new trial.

The juror disclosed his visit to the site after Sherman was convicted but shortly before he was sentenced.

The trial court ruled the juror's visit did not influence the outcome of the case and the guilty verdict should stand.

The Maryland Court of Special Appeals upheld the verdict despite Sherman's contention the juror's action not only violated the Sixth Amendment but also violated the due process clause of the 14th Amendment.

In asking the high court to review the case, Sherman's lawyer argued the evidence at trial was unconstitutionally ''supplemented by the un-cross-examined, unsupervised, unauthorized procurement of information by (the juror) through his own investigation.''

Justices Byron White and Thurgood Marshall voted to hear the case, but by Supreme Court rules it takes four votes for a case to be accepted.

89-1580 Timothy Scott Sherman vs. State of Maryland

-30- 2346

#90302u1009 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, KENYA (OCT. 29) UPI - After being held for three days without charge a British journalist working for the British Broadcasting Corp. radio was charged Monday with working in the country illegally.

Sulaiman salim Sulaiman, who arrived in Kenya less than a month ago and had applied for a work permit but not yet received it, denied the charge.

He was granted bail of $1,000 with a Kenyan surety of the same amount. His case was set for Dec. 3.

Suleiman was arrested last Friday at Nairobi's downtown Press Center and held in jail until his court appearance.

Government prosecutor George Wanjala told the court Suleiman was found in the

Press Center ''in employment as a correspondent of the BBC without authorization to do so.''

A senior official of the Kenya African National Union Party accused BBC reporters of being dissidents and called on the government to take drastic steps against the British government-supported firm.

''For a long time the BBC was working against Kenyan interests and taking up the position of a propaganda weapon against Kenya,'' Jospeh Kamotho, KANU's secretary-general, told the official government Kenya Times newspaper.

''There is no way we will allow aliens to interfere with the internal affairs of our country. Our national sovereignty, integrity and freedom cannot be compromised,'' the Kenya Times quoted Kamotho as saying.

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#90302u1019 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-87.30 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 141.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 41.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $210.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $415.00-$459.00; dealer- approx., $417.50-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $111.83 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 298.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

-30- 1534

#90302u1071 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday agreed to resolve a dispute over what criteria must be met by a coal miner or the miner's family before they can qualify for benefits for a disability caused by black lung disease.

The court agreed to decide whether some appeals courts are erring in their interpretation of the Black Lung Benefits Act, which established a federal program to provide benefits to coal miners and their families in the event of disability or death due to pneumoconiosis, or black lung disease, caused by mining.

The Justice Department says the court's interpretation could have an immediate impact on 2,000 to 3,500 claims each valued at between $118, 000 and $185,000 that remain in litigation.

At issue is what standards a miner or the miner's family must meet before being eligible for benefits, most of which are paid by the coal companies or their insurers.

Coal companies claim the act has been wrongfully interpreted by the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals and the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to allow awarding of benefits in cases where total disability from the disease is not present or disability is unrelated to black lung disease.

The 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled differently.

Black lung disease is a disabling and sometimes fatal respiratory ailment caused by prolonged inhalation of coal dust.

Under the Black Lung Benefits Act, disability claims filed by June 30, 1973, were considered by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Claims filed after that date would be considered by the Department of Labor.

However, the two departments had varying regulations on determining whether someone was entitled to benefits under the act, and interpretation of those

regulations has caused havoc in the nation's court system.

The Supreme Court, which agreed to hear three cases in a consolidated manner, was expected to announce a decision on the issue sometime next year.

89-1714 Harriet Pauley vs. Bethenergy Mines, et al.
90-113 Clinchfield Coal Co. vs. Director, Office of Worker's Compensation, et al.
90-114 Considation Coal Co. vs. Director, Officer of Worker's Compensation, et al.

-30- 2411
#90302u1081 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand a ruling that a prison system cannot force new inmates to cut their hair if it would violate their religious practices.

The case was brought by the New York State Department of Correctional Services after the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals outlawed the prison system's haircut requirement as a violation of the religious rights of Rastafarian inmates.

Rastafarianism is a religion based in Jamaica. Among its tenets is that men should neither cut nor comb their hair.

The New York prison system had required all new inmates to undergo close-cropped haircuts for photograph identification purposes. Inmates could then grow their hair to any length.

A group of Rastafarian inmates brought legal action in 1979 in an effort to have the policy changed, claiming it violated their rights under the First and 14th amendments. The case was dormant until 1985 as a settlement was discussed but never reached.

In 1986 a federal district court granted a preliminary injunction barring the prison system from enforcing its haircut requirement for incoming Rastafarian inmates.

During court proceedings in August and September 1987, state corrections officials testified that a short-hair photograph is needed to keep an escaped inmate from avoiding recapture simply by cutting his hair.

The officials argued that taking an inmate's picture with his hair pulled back did not adequately reveal the features that would be exposed in a short haircut.

But the district court decided for the inmates, ruling that pictures of

inmates with their hair pulled back was ''adequate for security purposes.'' The appeals court upheld that ruling.

In asking the Supreme Court to review, New York's corrections department said the decision of the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals conflicted with decisions in four other circuits imposing even more stringent prison haircut requirements.

90-307 Thomas A. Coughlin, et al., vs. Thomas Benjamin, et al.

-30- 2219

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PARIS (OCT. 29) UPI - France, responding to an Iraqi request, said Monday it will send a certain amount of medicine to Baghdad aboard the Iraqi Airways plane scheduled to fly some 300 French and 10 Greek hostages to Paris.

A spokesman for the French Foreign Ministry also confirmed the remaining half-dozen diplomats at the French Embassy in Kuwait City will fly back with the hostages, but said Paris was officially leaving open its diplomatic mission in the embattled emirate.

''Departure formalities are proceeding normally in Kuwait for the moment, Foreign Ministry spokesman Daniel Bernard said. ''French ''

But Bernard added the expected time of arrival in Paris had been delayed again. A number of sources and the French media said the Iraqi Airways plane was expected to land at Charles de Gaulle Airport outside Paris late Monday.

The national airline Air France decided to reserve one of its major terminals for the Iraqi plane, forcing more than 50 European flights to leave from other facilities at the airport. Some 3,000 people, including journalists and family members, were expected to greet the hostages, whose arrival was being covered live on television.

In addition to the estimated 300 French hostages and the six French diplomats, 10 Greek citizens were given permission to fly to freedom aboard the chartered Iraqi Airways plane, a Greek government official said in Athens.

At a joint news conference with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in Rambouillet on the southern outskirts of Paris, President Francois Mitterrand said he rejoiced over the expected hostage return.

''But we will not rejoice completely until the other hostages have refound their countries,'' Mitterrand added.

For his part Gorbachev pledged to continue to work for the release of some

3,000 Soviet citizens from Iraq. ''It is amoral to use people as hostages for political ends,'' Gorbachev said.

The French Foreign Ministry spokesman said France had informed the U.N. Sanctions Committee of its intention to ship the medicines as Iraq had requested.

French officials said Sunday that Iraq had demanded the French government send medicines to Baghdad aboard the plane scheduled to fly the hostages to freedom.

''The pertinent sections of the U.N. resolutions foresee a possible exception for medicines,'' the Foreign Ministry spokesman said. ''We have therefore informed the Sanctions Committee that there will be medicines aboard the plane.''

The Iraqi ambassador to France, Abdel Razzak al Hachimi, said the medicines had been ''bought and paid by the Iraqi government'' and the decision to allow their shipment ''has no relation to the permission granted by Iraq for French nationals to return to their country.''

There was no reaction from the sanctions committee itself. The group, created under U.N. Security Council resolution 661, is charged with overseeing application of the sanctions. Resolution 661 states medicines are not included in the embargo against Iraq.

The spokesman refused to reveal the amount of medicines to be shipped to Iraq, but said under terms of the U.N. resolutions, the Iraqi plane will be inspected by French and U.N. officials before it is allowed to take off for its return flight to Baghdad.

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NASHVILLE, TN (OCT. 29) UPI - The state of Tennessee went on trial Monday on charges of failing to provide decent public schools for all its children.

The accusers are parents and teachers who say the state's school funding formula denies equal educational opportunity to tens of thousands of students only because they live in poorer, rural parts of Tennessee.

Their civil lawsuit was joined by 75 rural school jurisdictions across the state since it was filed in July 1988. It asks Judge C. Allen High of Davidson County Chancery Court to declare Tennessee's education system unconstitutional and to order the Legislature to create a better one.

''We're going to show these students are suffering, and there's no justification for able-bodied students to be discriminated against,'' said Lewis Donelson, lawyer for the rural schools who delivered opening arguments

in the suit Monday.

The suit challenges the state's education system on two grounds. First, it charges the education funding system violates the state Constitution's guarantees of equal protection under the law by providing more money for richer school jurisdictions.

In 1964, when small towns still bustled with business, the Legislature began letting cities and counties levy sales taxes for education. Since then, interstate highways have led to regional shopping malls, robbing small towns of much of their sales tax revenue. This tax along with the property tax now provides much of the money for schools in Tennessee.

''Unfortunately, the ability of locales to raise funds through those two means varies greatly across the state,'' said Buck Cole, another lawyer for the rural schools. ''Many of the jurisdictions have no industry. They are basically agrarian economies with low property values.

''And some jurisdictions just basically have no retailers. At one point this was described as the Wal-Mart case. You knew you were really down and out and needed to join this suit if you didn't have a Wal-Mart in your jurisdiction.''

The suit's second contention is that the state is failing to meet the requirement in the state Constitution to maintain and support a public school system.

In relatively affluent Oak Ridge, $3,889 a year is spent on each pupil in the public schools. But rural Hancock County can spend only $2, 133 and Hickman County only $2,152. In some years, schools in rural Tennessee could not open on time or run buses or pay teachers.

''It's worse than segregation,'' said Mike Antrican, the school superintendent in Hancock County. ''These kids do not have an equal opportunity. We don't have art classes in our schools. We don't have music classes in our schools. We don't have band. We don't even have libraries in some of our schools.''

Gov. Ned McWherter has agreed the education system is unfair and he has promised to propose radical changes next year at a cost of up to $700 million.

''The issue is whether it ought to be left to the Legislature and the executive branch to decide these matters or whether the court steps in,'' Assistant State Attorney General Rachel Steele said. ''The education part of our state budget is huge, and if the court takes over, it means the Legislature loses control over that. This is a democracy and our elected officials ought to decide policy.''

Similar suits have been decided in the Supreme Courts of 25 states, and 15 have ruled in favor of the states by upholding the constitutionality of their

school systems. In the 10 cases the states have lost, the courts have maintained some control over the education systems, and some have gone so far as to outline curriculum, Steele said.

The state will argue that its funding system is not discriminatory, but ''a system of shared responsibility for education,'' Steele said. And the state will maintain it is meeting the mandates of the state Constitution because the only requirement is to ''provide a system of free public schools,'' she said. The constitutions of states that have lost such suits require ''efficient'' or ''adequate'' school systems.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand a ruling that police in a jurisdiction where handguns can legally be owned cannot stop a motor vehicle based solely on information that its driver may be carrying a pistol.

The court refused to review a case involving police in Lowell, Mass., who arrested a man for carrying a handgun without a license after stopping his pickup truck and conducting a search.

The stop, however, was based entirely on a telephone call from a convenience store clerk that the man had a derringer protruding from his back pocket when he was walking through the store.

A local court threw out the evidence on the grounds that it was the product of an illegal police search in violation of the Fourth Amendment. The Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts agreed, noting that the suspect, Paul Couture, had threatened no one with the gun and that police had no evidence he was carrying the pistol without a license.

After stopping Couture's truck, police found a loaded .38-caliber pistol under the front seat. Couture admitted he did not have a license to carry the gun.

''The police in this case had no reason to believe, before conducting the search of the vehicle, that the defendant had no license to carry a firearm,'' wrote the state's highest court. ''A police officer's knowledge that an individual is carrying a handgun, in and of itself, does not furnish probable cause to believe that the individual is illegally carrying a gun.''

The Massachusetts attorney general, in asking the high court to review the case, argued that the state's stringent gun-control law - a one-year mandatory minimum jail sentence for anyone carrying a handgun without a license in a vehicle - gave police the right to conduct such a search. They also noted the ''epic proportions'' to which handgun violence has risen and a state law granting broad police power to ask for evidence of a handgun license.

''There is a diminished, if not total lack of legitimate expectation of privacy here because of: the inherent dangerousness of firearms; the pervasive regulation of firearms; the statute entitling a police officer to demand a license; and the manner in which the firearm was displayed in a public store '' the state argued.

Justice Harry Blackmun voted to hear the case, but it takes four votes for the high court to accept an issue.

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(OCT. 29) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Oct. 29:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen c	1pm	48	09
Amsterdam pc	1pm	51	11
Ankara pc	3pm	53	12
Athens cy	2pm	70	21
Auckland c	12m	58	15
Beijing c	8pm	51	11
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	47	09
Bonn pc	1pm	49	10
Brussels pc	1pm	50	10
Cairo pc	2pm	91	33
Casablanca pc	12n	73	23
Copenhagen r	1pm	47	08
Dakar cy	12n	86	30
Dublin c	1pm	49	10
Geneva	1pm	49	09
Helsinki cy	2pm	39	04
Hong Kong pc	8pm	75	24
Jerusalem pc	2pm	75	24
Karachi c	5pm	90	32
Lisbon cy	1pm	65	19
London cy	1pm	50	10
Madrid pc	1pm	64	18
Malta r	1pm	67	20
Manila cy	8pm	82	28
Moscow cy	3pm	38	03
Nairobi pc	3pm	75	24
Nassau pc	7am	75	24

New Delhi c	6pm	87	31
Nice c	1pm	65	18
Oslo r	1pm	46	08
Paris r	1pm	50	10
Pretoria c	2pm	82	28
Riyadh	3pm	95	35
Rome r	1pm	63	17
Seoul c	9pm	57	14
Sofia cy	2pm	51	10
Stockholm cy	1pm	44	07
Sydney c	10pm	74	23
Taipei r	8pm	70	21
Tokyo cy	9pm	64	18
Tunis cy	1pm	69	21
Vienna r	1pm	52	11
Warsaw r	1pm	50	10

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	69	21
Caracas cy	8am	72	22
Havana r	7am	69	21
Lima cy	7am	62	17
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	79	26
Santiago c	8am	55	13

Canada

Calgary pc		60	15
Edmonton pc		52	11
Montreal c		49	09
Ottawa cy		45	07
Regina pc		67	19
Toronto c		49	09
Vancouver cy		52	11
Winnipeg cy		50	10

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

#90302u1104 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (OCT. 29) UPI - Authorities enforced a curfew in several areas of northern India Monday, curtailing road and rail traffic and setting up roadblocks in a bid to ease a religious dispute involving Hindus and Moslems that threatens to bring down the government.

The state of Uttar Pradesh was virtually isolated on the eve of the scheduled beginning of construction of a Hindu temple to replace a Moslem mosque, officials said.

Communal clashes have caused scores of deaths in fighting with police and the arrests of more than 80,000 people, authorities said.

A controversial campaign by the right-wing Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) to relocate a 16th century mosque and build in its place a temple in the Hindu holy town of Ayodhya, 345 miles southeast of New Delhi, has sparked the worst political crisis of Prime Minister V.P. Singh's 11-month-old government.

BJP president L.K. Advani was arrested last week after he failed to heed a government warning to call off the plan. The arrest led to clashes between Hindus and Moslems in the Rajasthan state capital of Jaipur, and police shootings left 68 people dead.

The arrest also prompted the BJP to withdraw its support from Singh's National Front five-party coalition government.

The BJP has 86 members in the Lok Sabha, or the lower house of Parliament, and its support is necessary for the survival of Singh's coalition. The BJP is not a member of the coalition, but extended crucial support to the government.

President Ramaswamy Venkataraman subsequently asked Singh to prove his majority in Parliament on Nov. 7. Many analysts believe the prime minister will fail to do so.

Despite Advani's arrest, BJP leaders plan to begin construction of the temple in Ayodhya on Tuesday. But security forces erected road blocks at all entry points along the state's border and prevented vehicles from entering. Train services to Ayodhya and nearby towns were canceled, a government official said.

''Authorities do not want volunteers to gather in large numbers because of fear of violence,'' said a government spokesman. ''The aim is to prevent vehicles from moving from one place to another.''

Despite tight security, violence erupted Monday in the Uttar Pradesh towns of Lalitpur, Lucknow, Muzaffarnagar, Jhansi and Rampur, the Press Trust of India news agency said.

Three people died and more than 100 were injured in clashes, apparently

between Hindus and Moslems, over the temple issue, the news agency said.

The worst incident occurred in Etawah district where violence left at least 65 people injured, the government spokesman said.

In an attempt to restore peace, authorities arrested more than 10,000 people who volunteered to help begin construction of the temple and who poured into Uttar Pradesh en route to Ayodhya, the Press Trust said.

The government spokesman said the arrests brought to more than 80,000 the number number of people taken into custody over the last few days.

Hindu radicals claim that the 460-year-old mosque that occupies the Ayodhya site was built by the Moghul emperor Babbar after he destroyed a temple marking the birthplace of Lord Rama, one of the most important gods in the vast Hindu pantheon.

Moslem leaders refute the claim and contend that no temple ever existed at the disputed site.

The Ayodhya dispute has been smouldering since February 1986, when a court agreed to allow Hindus to worship in the mosque. The move led to widespread communal riots in northern India.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 29) UPI - More than $650,000 in emergency funding from Congress will repair Independence Hall's leaky roof, but will not allow the reopening of eight buildings shut down for the winter, officials said Monday.

The funding approved over the weekend by Congress was announced by Rep. Thomas Foglietta, D-Philadelphia, and Independence National Historical Park Superintendent Hobart Cawood.

''This is considerable help,'' Cawood said at a news conference in front of Independence Hall, where the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution were signed.

Although the funding will not be used to reopen the closed buildings, Cawood said it will help bolster morale at the park, which was completely shut down for three days this month during Capitol Hill battles over the budget.

''It helps a great deal to have this kind of announcement,'' Cawood said. ''We've sort of been demoralized by being off-again, on-again as to whether we're closed or open.''

The money will go to repair the hall's leaky wooden roof and make sidewalk and street light repairs to a portion of Independence Mall where visitors are now warned to tread at their own risk.

But it will not enable visitors to see all the facilities at the park, one of the nation's top tourist destinations.

Eight of 18 public buildings at the park were shut down Oct. 1 because of a federal budget shortfall.

''We want to get the buildings back open, and have them open year round,'' Cawood said. He said it will take an additional $1.5 million a year to staff all the buildings year round.

Foglietta said Congress in addition to the repair funding, also approved an extra $200,000 in operating funds for the park.

About 5.5 million visitors come to the park each year, and up to 950,000 tour Independence Hall.

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WARSAW, Poland (OCT. 29) UPI - A Polish financial official Monday welcomed legislation approved by Congress that would allow a reduction in Poland's debt to the United States, saying it would give the economy ''breathing space.''

Just $4 billion of Poland's $42.6 billion foreign debt is owed to the United States.

But Dariusz Kosidlo, chief of the finance ministry's debt department, said he was happy that a foreign aid package adopted by Congress late Saturday allows for opening negotiations on the reduction of Poland's debt.

''A partial reduction of Poland's debt would give the economy some breathing space. The money could be spent on investments in the economy, on ... its

development,'' Kosidlo said.

Poland is seeking an 80 percent reduction of its total debt, most of which is owed to Germany, $7.2 billion.

The interest on the debt is $3.6 billion a year, a burden beyond the means of the ailing post-communist economy now being overhauled under a reform program approved by the International Monetary Fund.

Poland owes $31 billion to the Paris Club, a group of governments guaranteeing the loans, and $9.8 billion to commercial banks that form the London Club. The rest of the debt is owed to former East Bloc countries.

Earlier this year the Paris Club postponed interest payments on Poland's debt until Aug. 1, 1991. The group represents governments of 14 industrialized creditor nations - Austria, Belgium, Britain, Canada, France, West Germany, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and United States.

Kosidlo said talks are under way between Poland and Western creditors to obtain further rescheduling of the interest payment but the priority is to negotiate a reduction of the debt.

Gazeta said Congress made it clear that a reduction in Poland's debt hinges on the continuation of the present government economic policy and the maintenance of democracy in Poland.

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(OCT. 29) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Allied Products (3rd Q 9-30)	
$115,295,000	$135,570,000
d-$3,441,000	d-$2,259,000
d-Deficit	
Amer Family Corp (3rd Q)	
$682,959,000	$599,256,000
$29,791,000 (.37)	$24,070,000 (.30)
Atlantic Energy (3rd Q 9-30)	
$218,900,000	$207,300,000
$38,300,000 (1.68)	$39,000,000 (1.74)

Baldwin Technology (1st Q 9-30)
$47,946,000 $39,708,000
$1,449,000 (.08) $2,377,000 (.16)

Chrysler Corp (3rd Q)
$6,496,000,000 $7,607,000,000
d-$214,000,000 $312,000,000 (1.34)
d-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.

Citytrust Bancorp (3rd Q)
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d-$29,472,000 $2,057,000 (.49)
d-Deficit.

Escalade Inc (3rd Q 10-6)
$17,353,000 $18,305,000
d-$1,400,000 $192,000 (.05)
d-Deficit.

Fort Howard (3rd Q 9-30)
$299,949,000 $271,921,000
d-$20,400,000 d-$149,600,000
d-Deficit

Granite Construction (3rd Q)
$172,797,000 $154,698,000
$7,127,000 (Q.62) $5,265,000 (.53)

Hall Frank B (3rd Q)
$102,467,000 $85,423,000
ad-$1,950,000 $19,095,000
ad-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

Idaho Power (3rd Q 9-30)
$125,599,790 $128,171,000
$17,575,865 (.49) $19,704,819 (.55)

Iowa-Illinois G&E (3rd Q 9-30)
$115,366,000 $111,187,000
$22,851,000 (.83) $20,457,000 (.74)

Leiner P Nutritional (2nd Q 9-30)
$34,408,000 $36,723,000
$1,283,000 (.24) $1,012,000 (.19)

Lone Star Indus (3rd Q 9-30)
$77,312,000 $100,990,000

d-$2,947,000 $1,812,000 (.03)
d-Deficit

Manville Corp (3rd Q)
$576,082,000 $549,822,000
$24,533,000 (.17) $40,397,000 (.30)

Midway Airlines (3rd Q 9-30)
$166,631,000 $121,786,000
d-$18,728,000 d-$1,870,000
d-Deficit

Midwest Commun (1st Q 9-30)
$43,486,000 $47,001,000
d-$170,000 $225,000 (.07)
d-Deficit.

Natl Presto Indus (3rd Q)
$28,070,000 $33,812,000
$6,359,000 (.86) $5,920,000 (.80)

Pacific Telecom (3rd Q 9-30)
$204,433,000 $171,267,000
$18,520,000 (.48) $22,865,000 (.60)

Peoples Heritage Fncl (3rd Q)
....
d-$44,716,000 $6,013,000 (.71)
d-Deficit.

Provident Life & Acc Insr (3rd Q)
....
$50,500,000 (1.09) $35,500,000 (.76)

Reader's Digest (1st Q 9-30)
$524,086,000 $441,980,000
$50,164,000 (.41) $41,184,000 (.35)

Spiegel Inc (3rd Q)
$425,952,000 $372,904,000
$10,135,000 (.20) $10,786,000 (.21)

Stelco Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$514,867,000 $655,224,000
d-$48,966,000 $22,699,000 (.54)
d-Deficit, includes a $15,544,000 provision for a loan to Canadian Investors Corp.
Canadian rate

Swift Transportation (3rd Q)
$41,179,000 $31,848,000
$1,893,000 (.27) $1,334,000 (.25)

Viacom Inc (3rd Q)
$392,842,000 $345,528,000
$34,726,000 (.33) d-$21,669,000
d-Deficit.

Wackenhut Corp (3rd Q)
$134,060,000 $120,030,000
$1,868,000 (.49) $1,694,000 (.44)

Westar Group (3rd Q)
$80,500,000 $93,400,000
d-$3,800,000 $20,700,000 (.22)
d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Weston Roy F (3rd Q)
$45,686,000 $38,805,000
$479,000 (.06) d-$2,846,000
d-Deficit.

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#90302u1158 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (OCT. 29) UPI - Pakistan hinted Monday it may stop interest payments on its foreign debt unless Washington restored military and economic aid it suspended this month amid fear Islamabad is developing nuclear weapons.

''We have no choice - either we starve our people or stop paying the interest '' caretaker Interior Minister Mian Zahid Safraz told a news conference.

''I want to stress here that we should not be pushed into a corner from where we are compelled to revise our relationship with the United States.''

He said almost 90 percent of the U.S. aid to Pakistan is consumed by interest payments on its $15 billion foreign debt.

Islamabad was expecting $548 million next year as part of a six-year, $4billion aid package from Washington. But on Oct. 1, the U.S. aid was suspended because President Bush was unable to certify to Congress that Pakistan was not developing nuclear weapons.

Pakistan has long been suspected of attempting to acquire nuclear weapons to

maintain a balance of power with India, its neighbor and foe in three wars. India exploded a nuclear device in 1974.

In Washington, a spokesman for Rep. Stephen Solarz, chairman of the House Asian and Pacific Affairs Subcomittee, said Monday that Solarz would hold hearings Friday on the issue of U.S. aid.

Solarz, in a weekend news release, said, ''Pakistanis should be under no illusions on this score: the United States cares deeply about stemming the spread of nuclear weapons, and neither the administration nor the Congress is prepared to turn a blind eye toward mounting evidence that Pakistan persists in its pursuit of nuclear weaponry.''

''It is my hope that the new government in Islamabad will take whatever steps are necessary to qualify for a presidential certification'' of its nuclear power program, said Solarz, D-N.Y. ''In the absense of such steps, American law is quite clear: no further U.S. assistance can flow to Pakistan.''

A U.S. State Department spokeswoman said Monday the U.S. government has not been officially notified of Safraz's statement and would not comment on it.

Pakistan held general elections on Wednesday in which the army-backed Islamic Democratic Alliance achieved a decisive win over the Pakistan People's Party of ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto.

Solarz's spokesman, Bob Hathaway, said Friday's hearing also will focus on what Solarz described as ''numerous reports of fraud and other irregularities associated with the election'' Bhutto's party lost last week.

Interior Minister Safraz charged Bhutto's mother, Nusrat Bhutto, convinced Washington to suspend the aid to try and pressure the caretaker government to hold fair elections and that she had misled U.S. legislators about Pakistan's nuclear intentions.

''I would reiterate that the word of Nusrat Bhutto is not enough and that the U.S. government should ascertain the exact information about the (nuclear) issue,'' he said.

''We would like to be treated as a friendly and sovereign country and believe the United States should reconsider its decision and immediately and restore military and economic aid to Pakistan.

''Pakistan is an independent country and we cannot be treated as a U.S. colony and we will never allow them to treat us in that manner. We have been going out of our way to support the United States on certain issues, sometimes against the wishes of the international community, and we do not expect such an attitude from them.''

Pakistan is the third largest recipient of U.S. aid, after Israel and Egypt, but its strategic value to the United States has diminished sharply following last year's Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan.

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DALLAS (OCT. 29) UPI - The .38-caliber pistol that nightclub owner Jack Ruby used to kill presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald is the focus of a legal battle beginning Monday in Dallas County Probate Court.

Jury selection was scheduled Monday to decide the fate of the Colt Cobra that Ruby used to gun down Oswald in the basement of the Dallas police station in 1963.

Lawyers for Oswald's brother, Earl Ruby, of Boca Raton, Fla., are asking the court to decide who should be able to sell the gun. They are also asking that Dallas lawyer Jules Mayer be removed as executor of the estate.

The snub-nosed revolver, which has been locked up for 20 years in a North Dallas bank vault, is valued at from $50,000 to $125,000, according to Mayer's lawyer, Marvin L. Levin of Dallas.

''As one gun dealer said, 'The value is that this is the gun,''' he said. ''There is only one in the world.''

Two days after the Kennedy assassination, Ruby bought the revolver at a Dallas gun shop for $62.50. One could be purchased now for between $100 and $200, Levin said.

Levin said Mayer has repeatedly attempted to sell the gun to pay taxes and other debts on the Ruby estate but he has been blocked by Earl Ruby. ''The complaints have chilled any buyer from buying the assets,'' he said.

Earl Ruby also wants to sell the gun to pay off his brother's debts but he says Mayer should get no money from the sale. His lawyer has contended that Mayer has not done enough to deserve the fee he is asking.

Mayer said he wants to sell the gun and other items seized by Dallas police after Ruby's arrest to pay $100,000 owed the Internal Revenue Service and $60,000 for his and other legal services.

In 1968, Mayer offered the weapon and Ruby's clothes to Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum in London, Christie's Auction House and the Smithsonian Institution. No bids were received.

Levin said the Ruby estate also includes a brown suit and hat, a watch, a ring and shoes worn by Ruby at the time of his arrest.

''Jack Ruby would normally have died a penniless man had it not been for the historic aspect of this case,'' he said.

Ruby was convicted of murder in 1964 and sentenced to death in the electric chair. An appeals court later overturned his conviction, saying the trial should have been moved from Dallas. He died of cancer in 1967 at the age of 55 before another trial could be held.

The probate trial is expected to take about three days.

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OMAHA (OCT. 29) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 1,900; trading on slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, prices both classes 1.00 to 1.50 higher than last Tuesday, slaughter cows weak to 1.00 lower than Wednesday, slaughter bulls near steady; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-4 1075- 1350 lb 78.50-79.50, few early 78.00, near 6 loads 80.00, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 77.00-78.50, select 75.00-77.00; holsteins choice No 2-3 1250-1300 lb 71.00-71.50, select and choice No 2-3 1200-1350 lb 68.50-69.50; heifers choice No 2-4 950-1250 lb 78.50-79.50, few early 78.00, near 7 loads 80.00, load reputation fed 80.50, select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 76.50-78.50, select 73.50-76.50; cows high cutter, utility, commercial No 2-4 boning few 47.00-50.00, low to average cutter 44.00-48.00.

Hogs 2,200; butchers mostly 3.00 lower, some carryover noted, No 1-3 220-260 lb 54.00-54.50, couple hundred head mostly 230-250 lb 55.00, No 2-3 260-280 lb 53.00-53.50; sows 25 percent, 1.00-2.00 lower, No 1-3 350-500 lb 47.00-47.50, some around 350 lb 48.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 49.50-50.00.

Sheep 200, slaughter lambs 2.00 higher, ewes steady, shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 100-130 lb No 1-2 pelts 52.00-53.00; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 100-130 lb 50.00-51.00, shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 29) UPI - Continental Airlines' representatives have reassured travel agents of the carrier's long-term viability in response to published reports that Continental's board considered filing for bankruptcy, a published report said Monday.

''I've had our sales managers out calling on more accounts than normal,'' Bob Lepisto, Continental's vice president of sales, told the Houston Chronicle.

Public confidence was shaken after reports that Continental's board of directors had contemplated filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. Last week, Continental executives denied that bankruptcy was an option in the airline's cost-cutting strategies.

''There's tons of customers calling,'' said Barney Kogen, chairman and chief executive officer of Houston's Lifeco Travel Services. ''Some of the customers are calling every day.

''We're very comfortable. We don't see any reason for alarm,'' Kogen said. Lifeco is watching the situation because the travel agency guarantees the tickets it sells.

If a bankrupt Continental could not honor the tickets sold by Lifeco, then the travel agency would, he said. Lifeco is Continental's largest customer, bringing in more than $100 million worth of travel business annually.

Continental's daily bookings have not changed since the news broke, said Al Lenz, vice president for distribution, planning and administration for Continental's computer reservation system, System One.

''Our daily numbers are very consistent,'' Lenza said, adding ticket sales are falling short of projections because many people bought tickets in August before the airlines hiked fares.

''I just can't find myself getting upset with Continental,'' Kogen said. ''Too many other carriers are squeaking and looking at doomsday scenarios and rightfully so.''

Mary Sexton, manager of Esther Grossberg Travel, agreed.

''I think everybody is kind of wondering, but everything is business as usual. I'm not avoiding Continental. There's no reason to put them out of business.''

Continental spokesmen said there has been no indication that travel agents have avoided using Continental.

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#90302u1206 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev is headed back to Moscow following weekend meetings in France where much of the conversation was centered on the Iraqi crisis. Gorbachev suggests that Saudi Arabia work for what he calls an ''inter-Arab'' solution to the crisis, and he says the idea of a Gulf war is UNacceptable. The Nobel Peace Prize winner also says that reports from the representative he sent to Iraq indicate there may be some softening of Saddam Hussein's position in the crisis.

A disgruntled teen-ager armed with a handgun has released all but one teacher and six of the 20 students taken hostage at the Charlestown, Indiana, High School some 60 miles north of Louisville, Kentucky. Everyone else in the school has been evacuated. A police SWAT team is in place while negotiations continue with the student, identified as 18- year-old Eli Dean.

The Supreme Court has refused to get involved in a case where Lowell, Massachusetts, police arrested a man carrying a handgun without a license. The officers acted after receiving a telephone tip. The court decision NOT to intervene leaves standing a lower court ruling that police canNOT stop motor vehicles simply because of information that the driver may be carrying a firearm.

The high court today also refused to be tangled up in a case involving religion and prison haircuts. The case involves the religious rights of Rastafarian inmates in the New York State Department of Corrections who wear their hair in dreadlocks. The prison system requires all new inmates to get close-cropped haircuts for I-D pictures. Rastafarians believe men should NOT cut or comb their hair.

A curfew is being clamped on several areas in northern India to prevent more violence between Hindus and Moslems. Roadblocks have isolated a town 345 miles southeast of New Delhi, where Hindus plan to begin construction of a temple to replace a 16th century Moslem mosque. Government officials say religious fighting killed 68 people during the past week. The crisis threatens to bring down the 11-month-old government of Prime Minister V-P Singh.

Diplomats in Nairobi, Kenya, say Belgian troops will withdraw from the tiny east African nation of Rwanda this week. Their pullout will test the fragile cease-fire in the month-old civil war and could encourage rebels to break the shaky truce. Belgium sent 500 troops to its former colony to protect 16-hundred Belgian citizens still living in Rwanda after civil war erupted in the northern part of the country. About 300 Belgians were evacuated.

Financial officials in Poland say the country may get some ''breathing'' space now that Congress had decided to cut the amount of Polish debt owed to the United States. Poland owes 42-BILLION 600- Million dollars in foreign debt just four-BILLION of that to the United States. The Warsaw government is trying to get other nations to let it reduce total debt by 80 percent.

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#90302u1207 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (OCT. 29) UPI - A French team which observed last week's parliamentary elections said Monday the decisive victory by the opponents of ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto was achieved by ''sophisticated fraud.''

The team from the Paris-based League of Human Rights said ballot boxes in

certain constituencies were stuffed with bogus votes while being transferred from polling stations to election officials.

The statement differed from the reports of other international observer groups including the U.S.-government sponsored National Democratic Institute. A 40-member NDI team said last Friday it saw ''no evidence'' to support allegations of mass rigging.

In Washington, a U.S. State Department spokeswoman noted the NDI saw some instances of fraud and was careful not to call the elections ''free and fair '' but rather called them ''generally open, orderly and well- administered.''

The spokeswoman, who declined to be identified, said that while ''obviously there are still questions to be answered ... nothing in our own observations would lead us to question those findings'' of the NDI.

Rep. Stephen Solarz, D-N.Y., chairman of the House Asian and Pacific Affairs Subcommittee, said in a news release he also was prepared to accept the NDI's conclusions ''in the absence of compelling evidence to the contrary.''

But, said Solarz, who plans to hold a congressional hearing Friday on matters related to Pakistan, ''I remain extremely troubled by the numerous reports of fraud and other irregularities associated with the election.''

The Islamic Democratic Alliance, a loose army-backed coalition of parties opposed to Bhutto, scored a convincing victory over her Pakistan People's Party in last Wednesday's National Assembly elections.

Many neutral observers were astonished by the PPP's crushing defeat. They also disputed the government's turnout figure of 44.5 percent as too high.

Bhutto has charged the IDA win was achieved as a result of ''gross rigging.'' She alleged ballot boxes had been stuffed after leaving the polling stations.

She demanded at a news conference Monday that repolling be held in 100 constituencies, ''where final vote count certificates were not issued by the presiding officers as required by law.''

The statement by the League of Human Rights, which represents 54 countries, supported Bhutto's charges.

''Sophisticated fraud contributed to the IDA's victory,'' the statement said.

''At certain polling stations the results were not taken directly to the election officers and bogus votes were stuffed,'' it said. ''In various places certified copies of the vote count were not given to the candidates and their polling agents.''

Ishaq Khan sacked Bhutto's 20-month-old government on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to control law and order. He dissolved the National Assembly and appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi to head an interim government until the elections.

The president also set up Special Disqualification Courts to try Bhutto and members of her administration on corruption charges. If found guilty they could be barred from politics for seven years.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 29) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - The Federal Reserve Bank of New York added funds to the U.S. banking system Monday in a move financial economists saw as a long-awaited, if somewhat restrained, lowering of short-term interest rates.

A Fed spokesman, without commenting on the central bank's intentions, said it made overnight government securities repurchase agreements for a customer and thereby injected $1 billion into the reserve system.

Though that was a relatively small amount, economists noted it was added to the system when the federal funds rate - set on overnight loans from one bank to another - was already at a low 7 3/4 percent.

The new rate was expected to be 7 3/4 percent, 25 basis points below 8 percent the Fed perceived target rate since its last easing July 13.

The apparent easing was consistent with Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan's promise that U.S. short-term interest rates could come lower if the White House and Congress enacted legislation to cut the U.S. budget deficit. A budget law was passed Saturday after weeks of wrangling.

''Greenspan has delivered on his previously made promise to the Congress,'' said William V. Sullivan Jr., a money market analyst and senior vice president

with Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. in New York.

''I think they did it,'' said chief economist Samuel Kahan of Chicago-based Fuji Securities Inc. ''They finally dropped the other shoe.''

Both analysts saw the Fed's move as clear even though the New York Fed, the operational arm for the central bank in such matters, did not employ the type of open-market transactions it normally uses to signal easing.

Kahan said the Fed ordinarily uses system repurchase agreements, or ''repos,'' in which it acts on its own behalf to indicate it is loosening credit, while at times a senior Fed official publicly drops a broad hint.

Monday it carried out overnight customer ''repos'' for only $1 billion - but at a time when the Fed funds rate was already below its previous target rate. The conclusion was that it was trying to signal a modest easing.

While the White House and U.S. business has been calling for easier money for some time now to revive a faltering national economy, the Fed was thought to be reluctant to ease too much for fear of feeding inflation.

A strong easing move could have displeased bond investors, who by selling off government securities could drive up long-term rates. Home mortgage rates are linked to the 30-year bond yield, or market interest rate.

''There was no need to add reserves to the banking system,'' Sullivan said. ''It was an indication the Fed prefers the funds rate to be that low and it was an attempt to cap the funds rate off at that new level.''

Added Kahan: ''They wanted to convey that precise message - it's a response to the budget legislation and they're doing just 25 basis points.''

''There is no smoking gun, no cannon, no fireworks with this announcement,'' he said. ''It is more of a whimper, like everything else now.''

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#90302u1258 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 29) UPI - Stock prices closed mixed in thin trading Monday on the London International Stock Exchange, as professional investors preferred to step to the sidelines to await British and U.S. economic indicators due out later in the week.

Stocks eased slightly in Frankfurt and Zurich and managed small gains in Paris.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 25.6 points Friday, eased 1.0 point to 2,062.1. The narrower top 30 industrial average however added 1.6 points to 1,600.0.

Volume amounted to around 300 million shares compared with 368 million shares changing hands on Friday.

Stocks opened sharply lower with the FTSE 100-index down around 10 points but climbed steadily higher in thin trading as Wall Street gained.

Market watchers said professional investors stepped to the sidelines ahead of Tuesday's report from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis on third quarter gross national product and the Department of Commerce's report on U.S. single family home sales for September.

Analysts said investors were also awaiting the Confederation of British Industry industrial trends survey scheduled for release later in the week to provide market direction.

Analysts said fears over the Middle East and the world economic slowdown also kept investors away from the market.

Meanwhile on the economic front, the Bank of England reported Britain's narrow money supply M-0 rose a seasonally adjusted 4.6 percent in the year to September.

The rise was unchanged from the bank's preliminary estimate issued on Oct. 18 and is within the government's target range of 1 to 5 percent for growth in the fiscal year ended March 31.

On a monthly baisis, M-0, which consists of notes and coins in circulation plus banks' operational balances with the Bank of England, fell 0.4 percent, also unchanged from the preliminary estimate.

Among some of the day's highlights, leisure group Brent Walker gained 20 cents to $1.05 on a succesful $200 million capital bonds issue and expected refinancing deal with its creditors.

Imperial Chemical Industries, the bellweather chemical stock, rebounded 20 cents to $15.67 after third quarter pre-tax profit results last week sent values plummeting.

Eurotunnel, the conglomerate building the Channel tunnel between England and France with French company Transmanche Link, gained 34 cents to 9.46 on news of drilling progress and fresh financing from creditors.

In the oil patch, rising oil prices failed to move oil stocks. British Petroleum slipped 5 cents to $6.40.

Elsewhere in Europe, stocks closed modestly lower in light trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The Weighted German Index of 30 selective blue chip issues, which plummented 40.46 points Friday, slipped 2.45 points to 1,454.60.

Analysts said stocks eased as local investors were discouraged by the inability of a Soviet diplomatic mission over the weekend in Baghad to find the opening for a solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

On the local economic front, the Federal Statistics Office reported West Germany's cost of living rose 0.6 percent in the month to mid- October and 3.3 percent from the like period a year earlier.

The report surveyed rising consumer prices in four of the 16 German states, which includes the five new eastern states, that acceded to the Federal Republic Oct. 3.

Meanwhile, West Germany wholesale sales rose overall 5 percent in nominal and real terms in September from a year earlier, the government agency reported.

In Paris, stocks closed slightly higher in the Paris Bourse. The French CAC-40 Index, which plunged 27.41 points Friday, rebounded 9.32 points to 1,627.90.

In Zurich, local investors sent stock prices lower on the Zurich Stock Exchange for the second consecutive trading session. The Swiss Market Index, which lost 33.1 points Friday, fell another 5.3 points to 1,436.7 in sluggish trading.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 29) UPI - It's time to talk turkey again.

The Butterball Turkey Talk-Line is back in business for its 10th year of answering sometimes wacky questions with serious advice.

In 10 years, the experts who answer 1-800-323-4848 have heard just about every question and disaster that can befall the preparation of that Thanksgiving turkey.

Some questions are simple. ''How do I turn my oven on?'' asked a caller from Lawrence, Kan.

Some are odd. ''Do you baste under the turkey's armpit?'' a fledgling cook from Mankato, Minn., wanted to know.

Judging by some questions, some cooks might have been better off if they had not figured out how to turn that oven on.

A Baltimore woman said no one told her to remove the plastic wrap before cooking the bird. A newlywed from Quincy, Mass., apparently trying to be thorough, prepared the bird for the oven by washing it - with soap. A Philadelphia woman called to ask about the red rubber glove she left inside the turkey.

''I called my mother and asked her how to fix a turkey,'' said an Indiana cook ''and she told me to call the Butterball Turkey Talk- Line.''

A Florida woman called to ask for tips about cooking her bird outside becaus a hurricane had blown the roof off her house and new parents from Chicago asked how to turn their leftover Thanksgiving dinner into baby food they could freeze.

Talk-Line staffers still chuckle about the Egg Harbor City, N.J., secretary who apparently didn't think much of her boss's culinary ability and left a message for him to return a call to 1-800-323-4848. He was a bit startled when the Talk-Line answered but picked up some pointers anyway.

Last year, the most-asked question was how to roast the bird. The answer is open-pan roasting. Other inquiries included how best to thaw a frozen turkey, how to stuff it and what to do with leftovers.

The Talk-Line, which handled 260,574 calls last year, will be open for business from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. EST, from Monday through Friday, Nov. 21. It also will be staffed the weekend prior to Thanksgiving, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Cooks who opt for a return bout with the bird for Christmas can call weekdays from Nov. 23 through Dec. 21 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

As a 10th anniversary bonus, callers will receive a 14-month Cookbook Calendar featuring turkey recipes season by season. Cooks are expected to gobble it up.

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NEWPORT, RI (OCT. 29) UPI - Bartender Keith Thomlinson got the biggest tip of his life last week - a lottery ticket worth $25,000.

Lottery officials said Monday that Thomlinson, 42, a bartender at the Green House Inn and Restaurant, scratched off a Rhode Island lottery Baseball game ticket while cleaning the bar Friday and discovered he had won $25,000.

The ticket was a gift Thursday night from Newport resident Russell Clark, who frequents bars and often leaves lottery tickets as tips, according to Ray Grimes, deputy director of the Rhode Island lottery.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 29) UPI - In the first case of its kind since the lifting of a 30-year ban on the African National Congress in February, a senior official of the ANC and seven other members were charged Monday with plotting the violent overthrow of white rule.

In a courtroom in the Indian Ocean port city of Natal, the eight were formally charged with terrorism and a variety of lesser offenses, including illegal possession of arms, ammunition and explosives.

Led by Mac Maharaj, a member of the ANC's National Executive Committee and a member of the politburo of the South African Communist Party, they were not asked to plead during their first court appearance and remained in custody pending bail hearings.

All eight ANC activists alleged in affidavits they had been tortured or assaulted while in detention but they appeared calm in court Monday and in good health, according to witnesses.

Maharaj, 55, was one of 41 ANC exiles given temporary indemnity to allow them to return to South Africa for groundbreaking talks with the government in May on obstacles standing in the way of formal power- sharing negotiations.

Following his arrest for crimes allegedly violating his indemnity from prosecution, President Frederik de Klerk revoked the protection and refused demands by the ANC for his release from custody.

A ninth suspect in the case, trade unionist Billy Nair, did not appear in court Monday. Authorities said police were unable to locate Nair, who had been arrested earlier, then hospitalized briefly and released.

The case against Maharaj and the others irritated relations between the ANC and the government after details of the alleged communist- inspired insurrection plot were released to the local media in July.

The ANC and the South African Communist Party, both unbanned in February, denied involvement and accused the government of trying to drive a wedge between the two historical allies by stirring anti- communist hysteria.

They also affirmed their commitment to peaceful negotiations with de Klerk's government on a post-apartheid South Africa and the following month agreed to an indefinite suspension of a 29-year guerrilla war.

But the government rejected demands to release Maharaj and Monday unveiled its case against the veteran anti-apartheid activist, who served on the political military council of the ANC after fleeing South Africa in 1977 at the end of a 12-year jail term.

The state charged the eight had worked with SACP General Secretary Joe Slovo and Ronnie Kasrils, the intelligence chief of the ANC's military military wing and others to create a national underground network intended to recruit, train, arm and lead a revolutionary army to seize power from the government.

Maharaj had ''overall command of the project,'' according to the formal charges. They also said in June 1990 he traveled to the Soviet Union under a false name at the same time as Kasrils did ''in furtherance of'' what has been dubbed Operation Vula (Open).

Maharaj also is accused of being in ''unlawful possession of a firearm'' found in a suburban Johannesburg residence. The .45 caliber Ithaca pistol, state prosecutors alleged without explanation, carried the stamp of U.S. property and the U.S. Army.

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#90302u1277 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 29) UPI - At the 1989 All-Star break, Jeff Torborg's Chicago White Sox had already lost 56 games and were 20 1/2 games out of the American League West race.

That's when the makeover began for the team that challenged the Oakland Athletics for the AL West title this season. That turnaround earned Torborg United Press International's American League Manager of the Year announced Monday.

''You can't really call it a dream season when you don't win,'' Torborg said, ''but it was a special year.''

Torborg ran away with the award, claiming 18 of the 22 votes cast by UPI baseball correspondents. Tony La Russa of Oakland collected three votes and Joe Morgan of Boston one.

The White Sox were in Kansas City on July 6, 1989, about to begin a three-game series before the break, and Torborg, then in his first season as the Chicago manager, held a one-hour, back-to-fundamentals workout. He even brought pizzas for the players. It was 100 degrees in Kansas City that day, a day Torborg said showed him the character of his ballclub.

Despite the team's record and the unbearable heat, the players continued to practice on their own nearly three hours after the scheduled workout ended.

''That said something about the character of this team,'' Torborg said. ''They never give up.''

It also said something about Torborg.

''I told the coaches, 'Let's go one game at a time. What we can do is start the second half as a new season,''' he said. ''The standings didn't mean anything to us. We got off to a great start - and I kept harping on them that that's the way we should play.''

And from the second half of the '89 season through this past campaign, the White Sox played well. Very well. They threatened the defending World Series champion Oakland Athletics in the American League West, finishing 94-68, the White Sox' best record since 1983 when they won 99 games and the division.

Torborg's philosophy was simple. The White Sox, the youngest team in the majors, won 94 games by doing the little things. Bunting, hit-and- run, speed, solid defense and a bullpen anchored by 57-game savior Bobby Thigpen.

Torborg, 48, repeated cliches and they worked: stay focused, take it one game at a time. Eighty-three of the White Sox' games were decided by less than two runs. Torborg said his stomach is just now starting to settle down.

''I kept telling Sammy (Ellis, pitching coach) that we're going to play each night like it's the last game of the World Series,'' Torborg said. ''He'd (Ellis) say 'What about the bullpen?' and I'd say I don't care about tomorrow. Let's win today.''

Torborg's positive feeling going into the '90 season was reinforced with the White Sox' Opening Day 2-1 victory over Milwaukee on April 9.

''We won the game using the whole bullpen, the kid (Scott Radinsky) got in, Melido (Perez) did a good job - we started on the right track,'' Torborg said. ''I thought 'Here's a club that was deep in last place last year, then to be surrounded by all the hoopla (regarding Comiskey Park's final season) and still win, that's really something.'

''(Coach) Joe Nossek kept saying 'I feel magic in Chicago.'''

The White Sox manager savored the mystical season, the last at 80- year-old Comiskey Park. He kept the lineup cards from each win, writing down who homered, who was the winning pitcher, who got the save, or how the game was won. Torborg said he still shuffles through them, reminiscing.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 29) UPI - An American Jewish organization opened the first independent human rights monitoring office in the Soviet Union Monday and vowed to defend all Soviet citizens in need of help.

David Waksberg, vice president of the Union of Councils for Soviet Jews,

acknowledged that a major goal of the new bureau is to help Jews who want to emigrate from the Soviet Union, but he said it also has a wider purpose.

''The rights of Jews are intimately involved with the rights of all Soviet citizens (and) will be viewed in the context of general human rights in this country,'' Waksberg told reporters.

To underscore the point, the office will share space with the Moscow Helsinki Monitoring Group, which is dedicated to ensuring that the Soviet government fulfills the commitments to human rights it made at a 1975 conference in the Finnish capital.

The opening of the office was another marker on the country's dramatic evolution from the 1960s and 1970s, when ''dissidents'' were imprisoned for expressing their opinions and ''refuseniks,'' nearly all of them Jewish, were sent to jail merely for seeking to leave the Soviet Union.

The office, in a former vegetable store wedged between a food mart and a shoe shop on a busy Moscow thoroughfare, is being renovated.

Moscow police fearful of anti-Semitic attacks warned that they could not guarantee the safety of employees unless steel walls and floors were installed along with an electric alarm system, according to Robyn Lieberman, an American Jew who since early September has worked on setting up the office.

Lieberman said that some of the office's five Soviet staff members oppose putting up a sign outside on the street because they fear it will draw attention and possibly lead to confrontation.

''The whole point of the office is to institutionalize the human rights movement,'' Lieberman said. ''It's been run out of apartments for 20 years.''

The bureau is officially registered, though not with the central Soviet government but rather with the Moscow City Council, now in the hands of non-Communists.

The office is formally a joint venture between the Union of Councils for Soviet Jews and a group of Soviet human rights activists in Moscow. Waksberg admitted, however, that the American Jewish organization will provide its annual funding of at least $100,000.

Waksberg described the office as ''an information center (that) will serve as a clearinghouse for grass-roots human rights and emigration advocacy and provide direct assistance to prisoners of conscience, refuseniks and Soviet Jews fleeing anti-Semitism.''

Though Soviet human rights activists say the number of political prisoners has been significantly reduced under President Mikhail Gorbachev's perestroika

reforms, they dispute government claims that all dissidents have been freed.

Leonid Stonov, a leader of the Soviet group, said that Gorbachev's leadership has brought major improvements in human rights, but he said there is plenty of room for further progress.

''Of course, there have been changes,'' Stonov said. ''We can see them. There is less fear. But we are still a long way from the ideal of real human rights.''

Alexander Burakovsky, co-chairman of the Kiev Jewish Cultural Union, said that many of the country's 1.5 million Jews and members of various ethnic groups are nervous because of its political instability.

''Today in the Soviet Union we are witnessing the breakup of an empire,'' he said. ''We are very afraid of civil war. That is why organizations that defend human rights are so important.''

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TORONTO (OCT. 29) UPI - The Toronto Maple Leafs, holding the worst record in the NHL and off to their worst start in their long history, Monday named assistant Tom Watt coach.

General Manager Floyd Smith, who fired Coach Doug Carpenter Friday, announced Watt's appointment.

Watt, who was behind the bench Saturday when the Maple Leafs lost 3-1 to Buffalo, takes over a team that has just three points in 12 games.

Watt previously served as head coach of the Winnipeg Jets and as an assistant coach with the Calgary Flames. He was hired in the off-season by the the Maple Leafs.

Toronto, which last season had one of the league's best offenses, has been outscored 57-29 this season.

Sunday, Watt led the team through a brisk workout on what was supposed to be a day off.

''That's how it was scheduled but, in speaking with the players, they didn't think they should take it,'' Watt said. ''There's a time when a team's going poorly, that it's better to foget about hockey for a day. I don't think this is that time.''

The Leafs play 10 of their next 12 games at home. They face the Minnesota North Stars in Maple Leaf Gardens Tuesday night.

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#90302u1342 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 29) UPI - At the U-N today, 13-members of the Security Council voted to hold Iraq responsible for damage caused to Kuwaiti property and for human rights violations since the Iraqi occupation three months ago. The Council ordered the new measures against Iraq after a visit to Baghdad by a Soviet Mideast envoy failed to resolve the Persian Gulf standoff. Cuba and Yemen abstained.

Mikhail Gorbachev is headed home to Moscow following meetings with top French leaders in Paris. And he is pushing the idea of an all-Arab solution to the Gulf crisis, saying a peace proposal from Arabs would be more acceptable to Iraq's leadership. He calls war ''UNacceptable.''

Indiana state police say a man identified as 18-year-old student Eli Dean is holding one teacher and six other students hostage inside Charleston High School, 60 miles north of Louisville, Kentucky. Police negotiators were in contact with the suspect, believed armed with a handgun. NO shots... or injuries... are reported.

A North Carolina politician says the bridge linking Hatteras Island and the mainland could be repaired by Christmas. State Senator Marc Basnight says repairs might be finished within 45 days. Original estimates figured the work could take up to six months. A dredge ripped the span apart during a storm last week.

The U-S Supreme Court refused to consider two cases involving handguns today. The justices let stand a decision allowing a Montana court to tack up to 10 additional years onto a convict's sentence if a firearm is used in the commission of a felony.

The high court refused to review a case involving Lowell, Massachusetts, police who arrested a man for carrying a handgun without a license. His pickup truck was stopped and searched after a telephone call from a convenience store clerk who said he had been menaced by a gunman. A local court ruled the search was illegal and the state supreme court agreed.

Pakistan is making veiled threats about stopping interest payments on its 15-BILLION-dollar foreign debt unless the United States restores aid it cut this month. Washington took the action on fears Pakistan is developing nuclear weapons. Pakistan uses 90 percent of that U-S aid to pay the interest on its foreign debt.

South Africa today opened its case against eight members of the African National Congress. They are accused of terrorism and trying to overthrow the white government. It's the first case of its kind since South Africa lifted a

30-year ban on the A-N-C. Police say a ninth suspect is on the loose.

Early results show voters in the Soviet republic of Georgia apparently doN'T want Communists to fill the majority of seats in their new parliament. The Georgian election commissioner says an opposition group has won twice as many votes as did the Communists. Final results are expected later this week.

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PHOENIX, AZ (OCT. 29) UPI - ''After three agonizing trials for the man I had witnessed kill my husband, my eyes were wide open to the changes that needed to be made,'' Barbara DeMint tells Arizona voters in one of many appeals for a victims' bill of rights on the November ballot.

The proposed amendment to the state constitution would guarantee victims of crimes or their surviving family members the right to be treated with ''fairness, respect, and dignity.''

It also assures them possible restitution, access to arraignments, hearings, trials, appeals, virtually any proceeding in the criminal- justice system that affects them.

Opponents of the bill argue that it endangers the rights of defendants by removing certain decisions from the jurisdiction of the courts and placing them in the hands of politicians.

They also point out that in their opinion the amendment is superfluous. ''Arizona has the most comprehensive victims' rights legislation of any state in the country,'' Robert Hirsh says. He is the president of Arizona Attorneys for Criminal Justice and believes the proposition is ''another dangerous measure of the '90s to take our liberties away.''

But some victims disagree. ''My husband and I are the parents of Christy Ann Fornoff who was abducted, raped, and murdered six years ago in Tempe,'' Carol Fornoff says in a campaign appeal. ''We have learned ... that a criminal has basic constitutional rights that we, as victims, do not have.''

Then she recounts some of the experiences she and her husband suffered during the trial of the man ultimately convicted of murdering their little girl. The Fornoffs ''received calls from the accused while he was in jail. ...'' Later, court officials excluded the Fornoffs from the proceedings, not even allowing them to ''sit in the courtroom until the end arguments were given.''

Supporters of the amendment concede that current laws and rulings protect victims, but at the discretion of the courts.

Steve Twist, a well-known state prosecuting attorney and a member of the

Victims' Bill of Rights Task Force, a group of citizens, lawyers, and victims that drafted the measure, says it provides victims a better legal status while not interferes with defendants' rights.

''The federal and state constitutions protect the accused,'' he says. ''Our amendment gives victims the same type of assurance.'' The measure defines basic rights that can only be diminished by constitutional law. Less than 10 states now provide victims of crimes this type of guarantee.

Opponents predict a morass of confusion and violations of defendants' rights.

The measure permits victims of crime to refuse pretrial interviews with defense lawyers without stating a reason. ''That's not part of victims' rights legislation anywhere else,'' Hirsch says. Current law permits both sides in a criminal case to interview all known witnesses, including the victim, as a safeguard against ''surprise'' testimony.

Twist dismisses Hirsch's complaint. The Arizona Supreme Court has ruled that under a narrow set of circumstances victims need not give pretrial interviews to the defense, which has access to the statements made by victims to the police and to prosecutors.

The measure also grants victims unhindered access to relevant court proceedings. Present law permits excluding the victim until after he or she has testified, to guard against having the victim's testimony tainted from hearing other witnesses.

Twist says nothing in the victims' rights bill is designed to prejudice the system against defendants or to usurp the power of the courts. It simply instructs all branches of state government to accord crime victims specific rights.

Hirsch sees the ballot issue differently - as little more than a blatant attempt to upset the checks and balances that define governmental power and to inject politics into the legal system.

But Twist and other members of the Victims Bill of Rights Task Force say that Arizona, with the third-highest crime rate in the nation, cannot afford to ignore the 250,000 people per year who become crime victims.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - The Food and Drug Administration Monday moved to ban more than 100 ingredients in over-the-counter diet pills, saying there is no proof that they work and one may even cause choking.

However, the proposed ban on weight control ingredients did not include two

widely used appetite suppressants that have been sharply criticized by consumer groups - phenylpropanolamine, or PPA, and benzocaine. The agency said it is still reviewing the safety and effectiveness of those ingredients based on information submitted by manufacturers.

The FDA said it decided to ban 111 other ingredients in non- prescription diet drugs because manufacturers failed to submit data to show the ingredients worked. The move comes as part of the FDA's lengthy, ongoing review of the safety and effectiveness of about 300,000 over-the-counter drugs.

Steve Jenning, staff director for Rep. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., who recently held a series of congressional hearings on health hazards posed by diet products, said he was pleased the government was finally taking action to pull useless and hazardous ingredients off the market.

''But this only speaks to part of the problem. We continue to have strong concerns regarding PPA and benzocaine,'' Jenning said. ''PPA is the most ubiquitous, active ingredient in any over-the-counter diet preparation ... and should be closely watched because of its capability to cause nasty side effects like seizure, heart muscle and kidney damage, psychotic responses, hypertension and stroke.''

In 1989, Americans bought more than $370 million in diet drugs and such products are the fastest growing segment of the diet industry, with sales jumping about 13 percent annually, Jenning said. Dexatrim, made by Thompson Medical Co. in New York, currently accounts for nearly one-half the sales, he said.

About 2 million of the estimated 48 million Americans who are trying to lose weight are using diet pills, reported the Calorie Control Council, an trade group representing the diet food and drink industry.

Ingredients the FDA wants to ban from diet products include: alcohol, corn syrup, dextrose, guar gum, kelp, pineapple enzymes, rice polishings, saccharin salt, sodium bicarbonate, vitamin C and wheat germ. Many products once containing such ingredients have been reformulated or are no longer marketed.

Guar gum, a substance that expands when exposed to water, supposedly creates a full feeling in the stomach. This summer, the FDA asked makers of diet products containing guar gum to pull them from the market after receiving 17 reports of throat blockage among people using such products.

Although guar gum and similar water-soluable substances would be banned in diet drugs, the FDA would continue to allow such ingredients in bulk laxatives like Fiberall, Metamucil and Serutan, as well as a few antidiarrheal products like Equalactin and Mitrolan.

However, the FDA wants to require all non-prescription drugs containing guar

gum, karaya gum, psyllilum or other water-soluable substances to bear a label warning about the possible choking hazard.

The warning would read: Take (or mix) this product with at least 8 ounces (a full glass) of water or other fluid. Taking this product without adequate fluid may cause it to swell and block your throat and esophagus and may cause choking. Do not take this product if you have ever had difficulty in swallowing or have throat problems. If you experience chest pain, vomiting or difficulty in swallowing or breathing after taking this product, seek immediate medical attention.

The FDA's proposed rule changes will be published Tuesday in the Federal Register and followed by a 60-day comment period. The warning notice would take effect when the final rule is published, while the ban on diet product ingredients would not take effect unitl six months after the regulation is made final.

The FDA has asked manufacturers to comply voluntarily as soon as possible.

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BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA (OCT. 29) UPI - Negotiators have resolved a dispute over phone rates that was the chief stumbling block in a plan to sell Argentina's phone system to European operators to help cut the nation's foreign debt.

"We have made an agreement on the point of the tariff," Adolfo Rinaldi, a representative of STET of Italy, one of the European phone companies set to acquire the Argentine system, told United Press International. "Other points remain to be discussed," Rinaldi said. "We hope to solve them and sign the contract on Nov. 8."

Two European consortiums, one led by STET and France Cables and Radio, the other by Telefonica of Spain, were awarded control of the Argentine state-run system, known as Entel, for $5 billion in Argentine debt paper and $600 million in cash.

The sale of Argentina's telephone company is seen as an important part of President Carlos Menem's plan to privatize a series of state enterprises, including steel, petrochemicals, railroads, and electricity.

By exchanging the companies in return for sizeable amounts of Argentine debt paper, selling now for 14 cents on the secondary market, the government hopes to drastically reduce the country's $67 billion foreign debt through the privatization scheme.

The original target date of the transfer was Oct. 8, but it was postponed when

a U.S. group led by Bell Atlantic and Manufacturers Hanover Trust pulled out at the last moment.

STET and France Cables and Radio took the place of the Bell consortium, but then the Argentine government insisted on a modification of some terms of the original contract.

Last week, negotiators from the Telefonica consortium warned they would pull out of the deal unless the new contract terms provided for adequate "profitability."

According to Rinaldi, the compromise rate was 3 1/2 cents for a "pulse," meaning a two-minute phone call in the Buenos Aires area, for the benchmark date of Sept. 1.

The October and November rates would then be adjusted for inflation, which was 15.7 percent in September plus an anticipated "seven or eight percent in November," Rinaldi said.

The European consortiums had originally insisted on a rate of 52 cents for a pulse as of Sept. 1, to be adjusted for inflation, but according to Economy Minister Erman Gonzalez, in a compromise the government and the investors agreed on a lower rate provided the new companies are protected from a sudden devaluation of the austral. In that case, Gonzalez said, the companies can raise their rates above inflation to compensate for the devaluation.

Both the government and private negotiators said the rate dispute was the most serious in talks for the transfer of the phone company from state to private hands.

Other problems remaining, according to press reports, are the destiny of 1,000 Entel personnel who are employed in administering the system's fringe benefits such as retirement and health plans, and the possible collection of a tax on telephone calls to help the government's overall budget.

A 31.5 percent tax on phone calls that goes into the nation's pension system will be eliminated, Rinaldi said, but the government is seeking other ways to make up for that lost revenue.

One possible partial substitute for the pension tax would be to apply to a 15.6 percent sales tax on telephone calls - the same sales tax that is now applied to most commercial transactions. Rinaldi said the issue of a possible sales tax is still "not yet resolved."

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UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 29) UPI - The U.N. Security Council ordered new measures

against Iraq Monday following inconclusive Soviet-led diplomatic talks with the Baghdad government to resolve the nearly 3-month-old Persian Gulf crisis.

The Soviet peace initiative showed little sign of progress as Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov ended his talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz without a commitment for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said in Paris Sunday that ''for the moment there are not many reasons to be optimistic.'' But Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, meeting Monday in France with President Francois Mitterrand said war in the gulf is unacceptable and called for an ''inter-Arab'' solution to the conflict.

After the Soviet-Iraqi talks ended in Baghdad, the Security Council was pushed to increase the pressure on Iraq to abide by international law. Western ambassadors said Monday morning that the Baghdad talks failed to sway the determination of the Security Council to impose tougher sanctions against Iraq.

The Security Council's military staff committee planned to meet later Monday to discuss the situation in the gulf and what possible military action to take to implement U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

The meeting, for the first time at the level of army generals, was called to enhance the military role of the council in maintaining peace and security around the world. The committee assists the council on military matters.

Thirteen of the 15 Security Council members voted to adopt measures holding Iraq responsible for damage caused to Kuwaiti properties and for human rights violations as a result of the occupation of Kuwait since Aug. 2. Cuba and Yemen abstained.

The council postponed its vote Saturday for 48 hours at the request of the Soviet Union in order not to jeopardize talks in Baghdad Sunday between Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Primakov.

Iraqi U.N. Ambassador Abdul Amir Al-Anbari denounced the measures as new attempts by ''the United States, its allies and associates ... to poison the atmosphere of international and regional peace efforts.''

Al-Anbari said the measures were meant to demonstrate that the Security Council had exhausted all peaceful options and that the ''war option is the only one left.''

Speaking for more than an hour, Al-Anbari reiterated his government's calls for an Arab solution to the gulf crisis and to link it with a resolution of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

The measures, contained in a three-page resolution, held Iraq liable under internatinal law for ''loss, damage or injury arising in regard to Kuwait and third states, and their nationals and corporations, as a result of the invasion and illegal occupation of Kuwait.''

The council demanded the immediate release of hostages and asked Iraq to stop ''mistreating and oppressing'' people living under the occupation forces.

It asked Iraq to provide food, water and basic services necessary to the ''protection and well-being'' of Kuwaiti and third-country nationals in Kuwait and Iraq, including the remaining Western diplomats in the U.S., British and French embassies.

The council called on U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to undertake new diplomatic efforts to bring a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis and use his office to carry out provisions in the newly adopted resolution, particularly the provision of food, water and basic services to foreign diplomats and third-country nationals.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - The Securities and Exchange Commission warned investment companies Monday to drop the terms "guaranteed" and "insured" from the names and advertising of mutual funds investing in U.S. government securities.

The terms "may lead investors to believe that the value of their shares is guaranteed or insured by the United States government even though there is no such guarantee or insurance," the SEC said.

Mutual funds are a popular form of investment. Investment companies sell shares in their funds to investors to buy stocks, bonds and short-term cash instruments, such as commercial paper.

Some funds specialize in only a single group of securities, such as bills, notes and bonds issued by the Treasury Department to raise money to keep the wheels of government churning.

Even though the government securities themselves are "backed by the full faith and credit of the United States," the funds are not. But in some cases advertising and sales pitches indicate otherwise, the SEC said.

In a letter to investment companies, the SEC warned "funds that currently have names using such terms as 'guaranteed' and 'insured' in conjunction with words such as 'United States' and 'U.S. government' should take immediate action to remove those words from their names."

"Further, all funds should ensure that advertisements do not imply that fund shares are guaranteed or insured by the United States," the letter said, noting misuse of the terms violates anti-fraud provisions of federal securities laws.

The letter also said that SEC staff lawyers "will consider recommending enforcement action" if their order is ignored by mutual fund companies considered to be misusing the terms.

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TORONTO (OCT. 29) UPI - Nickel producer Inco Ltd. announced Monday plans to invest $248 million developing a large new mine and expanding an existing one at its Thompson, Manitoba, complex.

Inco said the investment was part of a long term strategy to develop its ore reserves in northern Manitoba and achieve its worldwide nickel production targets.

The money will be spent between 1991 and 1997 on new mining technologies including communication, automation and transportation equipment, the company said.

"We're in the nickel business, and in northern Manitoba, for the long haul," said Lorne Ames, president of Inco's Manitoba division. "As long as we stay on the leading edge of technological progress and dedicate ourselves to high quality and low cost, we have a bright future." Ames said the investment will help Inco maintain its annual production capability at about 110 million pounds of nickel.

The bulk of the investment will be used to develop the new 1-D ore body at Thompson Mine, the heart of the Manitoba operation. The balance will be used to expand the Birchtree Mine, four miles south of Thompson.

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BRATISLOVA, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (OCT. 29) UPI - Four days after they began a hunger strike to protest a law they said does not go far enough to make their native tongue their republic's official language, four dozen hunger strikers were still camped Monday in front of the Slovak National Council.

The extremists want Slovak to be the official language in all public places. The Slovak parliament passed a more moderate law that would allow regions with 20 percent minority population to use the minority tongue officially.

About 15 percent of Slovakia's 5 million population is in the minority,

speaking Hungarian, Polish, Ukrainian, German or Romany.

The Slovak nationalists' argument is that they were being discriminated against in their homeland.

''When I go to a shop in a Hungarian town, the first thing they ask me is, 'Tesek,' 'Do you understand in Hungarian?' This is my homeland,'' said Emil Kasa, a 29-year-old pipefitter who has joined the hunger strikers.

The protesters were surviving on tea with lemon and vitamins. They sprawled in the rain on a pile of olive-green army blankets, under a white plastic tarpaulin.

Several dozen onlookers stood by, some chatting with the strikers or each other, some hurling abuse at the legislators inside the national council building.

The strikers have been disavowed by their heros, the Slovak National Party, which proposed the stronger law with the Matica Slovenska Heritage Group.

''In the present situation they should stop. The legislature has passed its law. But the strike could start again if no other solution is found,'' said Anton Hrnko, a leader of the Slovak Nationalist Party.

''It was a fight for power masquerading as a language dispute,'' said Gabor Zaszlos, the Hungarian-born Slovak deputy premier, of the language law and demonstrations last week that brought several thousand people into the streets of Bratislava, the capital of Slovkia.

Zaszlos and the Slovak National Party were trying to gain legitimacy as the authentic voice of Slovak people, said Matica Slovenska.

In parliamentary elections last June, the Slovak National Party finished a strong third with about 20 percent of the vote, against Public Against Violence and the Christian Democratic Movement.

For now, Slovak leaders across the political spectrum said the language dispute has quieted, but Slovaks are still trying to find their place in the world.

The Slovaks have only briefly had their own nation. When World War I ended, it brought down the Austro-Hungarian empire and ended Slovakia's 1,000-year rule by Hungaria. But instead of independence, Slovakia was joined with the Czech lands of Bohemia and Moravia and folded into the Czechoslovak Republic.

Only for a few brief years during World War II, when Nazi Germany annexed Czech lands, did Slovakia exist as a sovereign state.

Hrnko said Slovaks are trying to affirm their national identity.

''Slovak nationalism is a reaction to Prague centralism and to Czechoslovak etatism,'' he said, referring to what many Slovaks see as an attempt by Prague bureaucrats and intellectuals to fuse Czech and Slovak identities.

The Czech and Slovak national governments are now negotiating with the federal government in Prague over devolving administrative economic and politial power to the republics.

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JERUSALEM (OCT. 29) UPI - A committee of the Israeli Parliament, the Knesset, stripped an Arab member of his parliamentary immunity Monday because of two meetings with Palestine Liberation Organization officials.

The full 120-member Knesset must decide whether to allow the state attorney to bring charges against Mohammed Miari of the Progressive List for Peace party, Army Radio reported.

Miari is the first member of the Knesset to lose his parliamentary immunity because of a political act. He met with the PLO members more than two years ago.

''I have no regrets and in my opinion there is no offense,'' Miari told Army Radio. He said 20 Knesset members had met with PLO officials and none had been prosecuted.

Israeli law prohibits contacts with PLO, which is considered a terrorist organization by the government.

In a separate development, Faisal Husseini, a prominent Palestinian activist, was barred from traveling abroad for three months.

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GAINESVILLE, FL (OCT. 29) UPI - Contrary to popular belief, buildings with fewer than four stories tend to have more construction accidents than skyscrapers, a University of Florida civil engineering professor said Monday.

Professor Kweku Bentil studied 1,078 accidents over five years to develop a scientific model that he said allows him to predict the number of accidents on constructions sites. He said he found that the smaller projects were more dangerous than he thought.

"Apparently, construction workers are less likely to be cautious in smaller

buildings than they are at greater heights because they figure it's no big deal if they fall," Bentil said.

He said expensive projects, such as skyscrapers, with large contractors pose more of a threat to workers, but fewer accidents occur because more precautions are taken.

Bentil studied accidents at 85 commercial construction sites in Alachua, Duval Hillsborough and Pinellas counties to develop his model for predicting construction mishaps.

Even though the construction industry employs only about six percent of the industrial work force, it accounts for an estimated 20 percent of all occupational fatalities each year, he said.

According to the National Safety Council, accidents in the construction industry cause about 220,000 disabling injuries and 2,200 deaths annually, but those accidents don't normally get the kind of attention they do in other industries.

"In spite of the high number of fatalities, construction accidents get little attention because most are single incidents that do not involve large numbers of people, such as airline disasters (do)," Bentil said.

Yet construction accidents also cost taxpayers billions of dollars each year. The higher insurance premiums paid by contractors who have accidents are eventually passed on in the form of higher costs to the building owner, the store owner who leases the space and consumers who shop at the store, he said.

"Construction accidents have caused spiraling costs in workers' compensation, particularly in Florida," Bentil said. "In 1989, some Florida contractors had rate increases as high as 28.8 percent, and their premiums are double that of contractors in many southeastern states."

By predicting how many accidents are expected at a particular construction site, Bentil said his model ultimately can be used to prevent them. For example, the model would allow the construction industry to design and implement accident prevention plans tailored to specific projects and contractors.

It can also be used on a project-by-project basis to screen contractors during the bidding process and to determine the amount of reserves insurance companies should keep in case of accidents, he said.

"If we can base these rates on the number of accidents that a contractor is expected to have on a specific project rather than his past safety record," he said, "it may save thousands of dollars."

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CAIRO, EGYPT (OCT. 29) UPI - At least 12 Islamic fundamentalists arrested during the weekend in connection with the assassination of Egypt's parliament speaker are also suspected of being behind an assassination attempt against a former minister, a government source said Monday.

Armed police raided the hideouts of the fundamentalists over the weekend and arrested six people, while four others were arrested after a gun battle in Cairo streets. At least two suspected extremists were killed in the exchange of fire and five policemen were wounded.

Police said the extremists belonged to Al Jihad (Holy War), a radical offshoot of Egypt's outlawed Islamic Brotherhood.

''We have evidence to support a case that the culprits arrested over the weekend were also behind the assasination attempt against (former Egyptian Interior Minister Zaki) Badr last year,'' the source told United Press International.

Rifaat El Mahgoub, the No. 2 man in the Egyptian government after President Hosni Mubark, was machine-gunned to death in downtown Cairo on Oct. 12 while heading in a two-car motorcade to meet Syria's parliament speaker.

Egyptian newspapers blamed the killing on pro-Iraqi Palestinian terrorists, but Iraq denied involvement. Security sources then pointed the finger at Egyptian Islamic Fundamentalists backed with cash and arms by a pro-Iraqi extremist group.

The Interior Ministry source said four of the Jihad extremists were still at large and being sought by police.

Police were examining six bombs, 300 rounds of sammunition, six machine-guns, explosives, gas masks and motorcycles seized during the weekend raid. Mahgoub's killers made their attack and get-away on motorcycles.

In a related development, the semi-official Cairo newspaper Al Ahram reported Sunday that the prime target for the extremists was not Mahgoub but Interior Minister Lt. Gen. Mohammed Abdelhalim Mussa.

Security sources told UPI last week the extremists intended to kill Mussa and not Mahgoub but gave no explanation for the mistake.

Mussa told a Cabinet meeting in Cairo over the weekend that police had arrested what he described as ''armed Palestinian infiltrators working for an Iraqi terrorist organization,'' but gave no further details.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - A simmering dispute over the defense of a youth on trial in the gang rape of a woman jogger erupted Monday when his mother and sister refused to be witnesses in his defense.

Ripping out the heart of the defense case, the mother of Kevin Richardson, Grace Cuffee, and his sister, Angela Cuffee, angrily told defense lawyer Howard Diller that they would not cooperate with him.

After a private conference with Justice Thomas Galligan in his chambers at state Supreme Court in Manhattan, Diller said the judge told him to ''do the best with what you've got.''

Diller had planned to argue that Richardson, 16, was tricked into making a confession by police who repeatedly promised he could go home if he made incriminating statements. His mother and sister were both at the precinct on the night of his arrest and were expected to be the prime defense witnesses.

Richardson and Kharey Wise, 18, are on trial on charges they beat and raped a woman jogger, whose name has not been published because of the nature of the crime, in Central Park on April 19, 1989. They also are accused of beating and robbing two male joggers, John Loughlin, 42, and David Lewis, 32.

Three other youths were convicted of the charges last summer and are serving 5 to 10 year jail sentences.

The Richardson family's bizarre decision to quit the defense case came just days after the family fired Diller and hired C. Vernon Mason. Because the move came during an ongoing trial and Mason wanted to pick an entirely new jury, Galligan refused to allow the switch.

''It's difficult, it's unpleasant,'' said Diller, now faced with creating a new defense strategy.

''I'm here to protect Kevin's rights. If his family doesn't want to protect his rights, that's very sad. By doing what they're doing, they are hurting Kevin's case,'' Diller said.

Since firing Diller on Oct. 24, the family has been in close contact with Mason. The black activist lawyer is best known for advising Tawana Brawley, the black teen who claimed she was raped by six white men. Acting on his advise, Brawley refused to cooperate with authorities investigating her claims. A state grand jury subsequently found her story was a hoax.

Last week, Mason said the family fired Diller because he has said he would not grill the woman jogger when she testifies.

A family friend, Lamont Radcliff, also said they were upset that Diller had no plans to question why the jogger's boyfriend is not a suspect in the rape case.

During testimony Monday, Officer Robert Powers recalled tackling a fleeing Richardson and arresting him in the park. Another youth, Clarence Thomas, also was arrested but he was never indicted.

Both were on their way to the precinct in a police cruiser when a crying Thomas suddenly blurted out, ''I know who did the murdering!'' Powers testified.

''Kevin said, 'Yeah, I know who it is. And I'll tell you where he lives,''' the officer said.

The victim they were referring to was Loughlin, who was knocked unconscious in the attack, Powers said. The assailant was Antron McCray, 16, one of the teens convicted last summer, he testified.

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AUSTIN, Texas (OCT. 29) UPI - A rapist who quoted Republican gubernatorial nominee Clayton Williams during an attack on a 31-year-old woman was sentenced Monday to 50 years in prison.

Travis County State District Judge Bob Perkins imposed the sentence on Chris Ronald Ausland, 34, who earlier pleaded guilty to charges of aggravated sexual assault and burglary.

Ausland's victim told police that during the attack Ausland quoted Williams' remark about rape that she should ''relax and enjoy it if it's inevitable.''

The assault took place March 29, just five days after Williams made the comment about rape to reporters who had joined him for a cattle roundup on his West Texas ranch.

Williams' quip likened bad weather to a woman being raped, saying, ''if it's inevitable, just relax and enjoy it.''

The wealthy Midland oilman-rancher, who faces Democrat Ann Richards in the Nov. 6 general election, first said he was only joking when he made the comment but later apologized for it.

But the Austin woman who was raped told reporters Monday outside the courtroom that rape is not a joking matter.

''At no point, Mr. Williams, was I able to relax and enjoy it,'' she said.

''Rape isn't a joke. It's a terrible thing.

''At the time, Clayton Williams tried to explain his comment away as a joke. Any candidate who jokes about rape shows a great insensitivity to women, and he is not likely to take a stand in promoting victims' rights.''

The woman, who asked to remain unidentified, said Williams has an attitude about rape that ''is outdated, wrong and hurtful.''

In the courtroom, Ausland apologized for the rape, saying he had a ''sexual addiction'' that he hoped will be cured in prison.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 29) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	77.92	77.92	77.12	77.32	77.87
Feb	74.85	74.92	74.47	74.52	74.95
Apr	75.35	75.47	75.02	75.10	75.37
Jun	73.25	73.25	72.85	72.92	73.25
Aug	71.70	71.70	71.40	71.40	71.57
Oct	72.05	72.10	71.80	71.80	72.10
Dec	72.20	72.20	72.20	72.20	72.10

Est. sales 12,763 contracts; Friday 10,569; open interest 67,145 up 823.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Nov	87.17	87.27	86.82	87.07	87.17
Jan	85.95	85.95	85.47	85.57	85.97
Mar	84.25	84.25	83.70	83.72	84.25
Apr	83.10	83.25	82.70	82.72	83.30
May	82.40	82.40	81.95	82.10	82.37
Aug	81.25	81.25	80.80	80.80	81.25
Sep	80.10	80.20	80.10	80.10	80.20

Est. sales 1,137 contracts; Friday 10,885; open interest 10,885 up 40.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	52.55	52.65	51.45	51.45	52.95
Feb	50.20	50.32	49.35	49.47	50.37
Apr	47.05	47.20	46.72	46.75	47.32
Jun	50.90	50.95	50.35	50.50	50.95
Jly	51.17	51.17	50.75	50.85	51.30
Aug	49.70	49.70	49.25	49.35	49.92
Oct	44.90	45.00	44.90	44.90	45.20
Dec	....	45.00	45.00	45.02	45.20

Est. sales 9,478 contracts; Friday 6,989; open interest 25,203 off 137.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb 61.60 62.10 60.95 60.95 62.95
Mar 61.60 62.00 60.82 60.82 62.82
May 61.50 61.60 60.45 60.45 62.45
Jly 60.35 60.60 59.50 59.50 61.45
Aug 57.87 58.60 57.87 57.87 59.87 Est. sales 3,387 contracts; Friday 3,989; open interest 9,061 off 9.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Monday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 126.64 up 27 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 126.30 up 22 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 117.21 down 7 cents, 700-850 lbs. 116.80 down 2 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light; fresh pork loins sharply lower; Boston butts and skinned hams steady; seedless bellies mostly 2.50 lower; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 119.00-127.50, 18-22 lbs. 108.50; Boston butts 4- 8 lbs. 80.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 107.00, 20-26 lbs. 99.00-102.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 48.00, 12-14 lbs. 50.50, 14-16 lbs. 50.50, 16-18 lbs. 48.50, 18-20 lbs. 47.00, 20-25 lbs. 45.00.

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#90302u1491 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

OSLO, NORWAY (OCT. 29) UPI - The three-party, Conservative-led coalition government resigned Monday because of internal differences over Norway's relationship with the European Community, and the Labor Party was poised to regain power.

Conservative caretaker Prime Minister Jan P. Syse conceded Monday night he would not be able to form a new government. His junior coalition partner, the Center Party, said it would not support Syse's Conservatives because ofdifferences over the EC issues.

''Our differences are so fundamental on the issue of the EC that we cannot support the formation of a minority Conservative government,'' said Center Party spokeswoman Anne Enger Lahnstein.

Syse, whose coalition governed Norway for little more than a year, said, ''I find it highly regrettable for the country, but such a clear statement must be taken into account.''

Under the Norwegian constitution, mid-term elections may not be held and the next regular elections in Norway are set for 1993.

The moves Monday appeared to position the Labor Party, led by former Prime Minister Gro Harlem Brundtland, to regain power if Brundtland was asked to

form a new government.

The current crisis came after the Center Party refused to support legislative changes to repeal Norwegian laws limiting foreign investment in Norway.

The so-called concession laws date back to the 19th century and were imposed to prevent foreign companies and individuals from owning too much of Norwegian society.

But in ongoing negotiations with the EC on closer economic and political ties, and even Norway's eventual membership of the Community, EC negotiators have made it clear that such laws will have to be repealed.

The Center Party, historically firm opponents of Norwegian membership of the EC, maintained it would not tolerate such a move and would resign from government if moves to repeal the laws were made.

The other coalition partner, the Christian Democrats, vowed not to stay in government without the Center party.

Norway turned down EC membership in a 1972 referendum after a bitter campaign in which the Center Party played a prominent role as an anti-EC party.

Conservative Party negotiators, beset by internal problems that include a row over Syse's personal finances, the resignation of the Conservative mayor of Oslo, and bad opinion poll figures have been unable to force their smaller partners' hand.

Commenting on the resignation, Brundtland said it remained unclear whether she would take up the premiership again.

''We have at present no idea who will form the next government. This all depends on parties other than ours,'' said Brundtland.

Latest opinion polls have shown Syse's current three government parties trailing far behind Labor in popular support, giving the administration only 29.6 percent of the popular vote while Labor polled 42.1 percent.

The Socialist Left Party, a traditional Labor support party, was given 13 percent in the poll.

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#90302u1493 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 29) UPI - A U.S. Navy warship and its helicopter Monday aided an Egyptian cargo vessel that reported a fire out of control.

The navy said the cruiser USS Biddle got a distress call from the ship Sea

Breeze at 9:05 a.m. (1:05 a.m. EST) and went to the area, sending its helicopter to survey the area.

Fourteen Sea Breeze crewmembers had abandoned the ship and were rescued by the pleasure boat ''Tiran'' and three commercial dive boats. The crewmembers were later transferred to a nearby Egyptian minesweeper.

One of the crewmens, suffering from shock, was transported to the Biddle and later to the destroyer USS Moosbrugger, where he was being treated and was listed in good condition.

There was no immediate word on the fate of the burning ship.

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#90302u1501 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA (OCT. 29) UPI - Argentine and British negotiators are under pressure to reach a fishing conservation agreement concerning waters surrounding the disputed Falkland Islands before the squid season begins in February, a British diplomat said Monday.

The diplomat, who asked not to be named, said representatives from Argentina and Britain were holding talks on preserving fishing resources in the South Atlantic.

''There are external pressures,'' the diplomat said. ''The squid fishing season starts in February. If you're going to have an agreement, the time to conclude it is before February.''

Foreign Minister Domingo Cavallo, speaking by phone Monday on a Buenos Aires radio program, denied a report published Sunday by Clarin newspaper that said Britain was ''seriously'' considering extending its off-shore fishing protection zone around the Falklands from 150 miles to 200 miles.

''The British government has not decided anything and has resisted pressures from the islanders to extend its fishing protection zone,'' Cavallo said.

He said an extension of the fishing protection zone would ''create very grave problems for the very interests which the islanders are trying to protect, because, obviously, Argentina will not remain passive.''

Commenting on Cavallo's remarks, the British diplomat said, ''We have very little to add to what Cavallo said. We are still in the process of talking about fishing. The islanders have expressed their position, but the decision will be made by the capital (London).''

The diplomat said in 1986, Britain asserted sovereignty around a 200- mile off-shore zone around the Falklands, but through its own choice has decided to

limit the area of fishing conservation to 150 miles around the archipelago.

Argentina, trying to enforced a claim dating form colonial times, invaded the Falklands in 1982 but was defeated in a 10-week battle with British forces.

The two nations on Feb. 15 reestablished diplomatic relations that had been severed during the conflict.

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#90302u1503 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - Yields fell on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Monday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $9.836 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 7.12 percent, down from 7.20 percent last week and the lowest since Aug. 15, 1988, when the auction yielded 7.05 percent.

The Treasury also sold $9.835 billion of 26-week bills at an average of 7.13 percent, down from 7.16 percent last week and the lowest since July 25, 1988, when the yield stood at 7.09 percent.

The investment rate was 7.35 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,820.00 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26-week bill was 7.50 percent at $9,639.50.

-30- 890

#90302u1515 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 29) UPI - The National Association of Securities Dealers said Monday it has fined a Philadelphia-area brokerage and two of its officers a total of $750,000 for improper use of customers' funds.

NASD, the regulatory organization for over-the-counter securities markets, took the action against Lloyd Securities Inc. of Cheltenham, Pa., and Michael W. Lloyd and Warren C. Nachmann after finding the two improperly withdrew $182,000 in customers funds from accounts at another securities dealer.

The money, NASD said, was then deposited into Nachmann's personal bank account. LLoyd and Nachmann were fined $250,000 each and barred by the NASD from associaton with any securities dealer.

Lloyd Securities Inc., whose membership in the NASD was revoked May 31 for non-payment of a fine imposed in a prior disciplinary proceeding, was fined $250,000.

-30- 1074

#90302u1518 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Gold futures closed Monday 210 to 280 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Oct	374.10	374.10	373.90	373.90	370.90
Nov	370.80	....	....	373.70	371.00
Dec	373.00	376.50	372.90	375.80	373.20
Feb	377.00	380.70	377.00	379.80	377.30
Apr	381.00	383.80	381.00	383.40	381.00
Jun	385.70	388.00	385.50	387.30	384.90
Aug	391.20	391.20	391.20	391.20	388.80
Oct	392.60	....	....	395.20	392.80
Dec	396.60	....	....	399.20	396.80
Feb	401.10	....	....	403.60	401.30
Apr	408.00	408.00	407.70	407.70	405.50
Jun	411.00	412.10	411.00	412.10	410.00
Aug	414.60	....	....	416.90	414.80

Open interest: 113,771 up 630.

Estimated sales: 28,000 contracts.

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#90302u1519 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1. Virginia (35) (7-0)	807	1
2. Nebraska (16) (8-0)	773	2
3. Notre Dame (1) (6-1)	700	4
4. Auburn (3) (6-0-1)	630	3
5. Washington (1) (7-1)	582	6
6. Illinois (6-1)	553	5
7. Colorado (7-1-1)	438	8
8. Miami (5-2)	430	9
9. Brigham Young (6-1)	382	7
10. Tennessee (4-1-2)	289	10
11. Florida State (5-2)	280	11
12. Texas (5-1)	221	14
13. Iowa (6-1)	209	13
14. Georgia Tech (6-0-1)	169	12
15. Mississippi (7-1)	91	15
16. Wyoming (9-0)	77	16
17. Clemson (7-2)	32	17
18. Michigan (4-3)	16	18

19. Arizona (6-2)	12	21	
20. Oregon (6-2)	10	22	
21. Penn State (5-2)	7	24	
22. Louisville (7-1-1)	6	23	
23. Southern Cal (6-2)	4	20	
24. (tie) Texas A&M (5-2-1)	1	25	
24. (tie) N. Carolina (5-2-1)	1	NR	NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: None.

-30- 1430

#90302u1520 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - Africa may escape "the pesticide treadmill," judging by the success of a project that enlists natural predators to combat pests mangling the vital cassava crop, researchers said Monday. Cassava is a major source of food for 200 million people in the humid tropics of Africa. It also is an important crop in South America and Asia.

"Follow-up studies ... have demonstrated that classical biological control, properly planned and implemented, can provide a timely, cost-effective and ecologically safe solution to a major pest problem," Hans Herren wrote in describing steps to combat the cassava mealybug and green mite.

The pests reached Africa in the early 1970s and have spread across most of the cassava belt, a region bigger than the United States and India combined. Huge crop losses can result from infestations.

Use of so-called biological controls frequently has been cited as an alternative to over-reliance on pesticides. The technique was mentioned in a National Academy of Sciences report last year that pointed to the potential of alternative agriculture.

"Biological control has saved Africa from the pesticide treadmill," Herren wrote in a scientific paper describing the project to combat the mealybug. He said eight applications of insecticides were needed to control the mealybug in test plots. By contrast, he said during a news conference, natural predators can become established after a single release - an attractive prospect considering the cost of chemicals.

Herren is director of the Biological Control Program established by the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture to fight the pests. The IITA was aided by a Colombia-based research center that helped track down the origin of the mealybug and its enemies.

So far, 15 of the natural predators have been released in Africa. Particularly effective has been release of a parasitic wasp that attacks the mealybug.

Anthony Belloti, of the International Center for Tropical Agriculture, said collaboration between the two institutions continues with the objective of controlling the green mite, which is a serious pest in northwest Brazil, as well as Africa.

Belloti said tests in Colombia indicated biological controls can be as effective as pesticides in suppressing the cassava green mite. Herren said the biological control program received $24 million for its work from 1979 through 1988. The parasitic wasp has been established in 25 countries covering 2.7 million hectares, the equivalent of 6.7 million acres.

Detailed monitoring in Benin, the Ivory Coast, Ghana, Malawi, Nigeria, and Zambia has shown mealbug populations were being brought under control, Herren said.

An independent analysis suggested a benefit to cost ratio of 149 to one for the project. Herren also referred in his paper to a study that showed yield increase of 2.5 metric tons per hectare, or 2,213 pounds per acre, from biological controls. The IITA recently opened a research center in Benin to work on biological controls for pests, diseases and weeds.

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#90302u1533 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	373.00 off 2.25
Morning fixing	371.00 off 2.00
Afternoon fixing	372.70 off 0.30
Close	372.75 off 0.25
Paris	374.08 off 5.77
Zurich	373.00 off 0.50
Hong Kong	370.25 off 3.40
New York	
Comex spot close	373.70 up 2.80
Republic cash	374.25 up 3.00
Handy and Harman	372.70 off 0.60

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 373.98 off 0.60 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 392.68 off 0.63 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.127 up 0.077
Republic cash	4.145 up 0.065

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.105 per fine ounce off 0.03

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.14 off 0.005 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.430 off 0.005

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 416.50 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 516.50 off 1.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 96.50 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 111.50 up 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90302u1546 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev said Monday the Persian Gulf crisis must be settled peacefully and indicated his envoy to Baghdad found signs Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein may be softening his position on the conquest of Kuwait.

Saddam, for his part, said in an interview that his talks with Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov were ''wide-ranging, deep and very useful.'' Saddam also criticized President Bush for comparing the Iraqi leader to Hitler.

In another development, an Iraqi Airways plane was in Kuwait preparing to take off with French hostages following Iraq's decision to free French citizens held in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Gorbachev, concluding a two-day meeting with French President Francois Mitterrand, told reporters in France that war in the Persian Gulf is unacceptable and suggested Saudi Arabia work toward an ''inter- Arab'' solution to the conflict.

Primakov flew to Saudi Arabia from Baghdad Monday after an apparent failure to persuade Saddam to end his nearly 3-month-old occupation of Kuwait. But Gorbachev revealed his latest information from Primakov indicates Saddam appears to have softened his position.

''One sees signs showing that the leadership of Iraq could finally listen to good sense and the voices of the United Nations,'' Gorbachev said.

He said if Arabs find a solution among themselves, then ''the Iraqi leadership would be more ready to accept that.''

''Saudi Arabia is close, a neighbor, and has certain relations with Iraq. It could take an initiative, as well as other countries,'' Gorbachev said.

''There are inter-Arab mechanisms. They must act.''

Gorbachev said, however, there is no question of the U.N. Security Council breaking ranks, and he termed the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait as ''adventurism.''

Primakov, having arrived in Saudi Arabia, was expected to speak with Saudi King Fahd and other officials about Gorbachev's peace proposal, Arab radio stations said.

An Egyptian foreign ministry source in Cairo, reacting to Gorbachev's remarks, told United Press International that the world should have the option of military force if other methods do not push Iraq out of Kuwait.

''If the unconditional Iraqi withdrawal cannot be achieved by peaceful means, then the world community should resort to other options, '' the source said.

And Secretary of State James Baker, in a speech prepared for delivery Monday in Los Angeles, said Saddam is ''hell-bent on a revival of hot war'' in the Middle East. Baker said although the United States prefers a diplomatic solution, ''We will not rule out a possible use of force if Iraq continues to occupy Kuwait.''

Some Arab newspapers had described Primakov's mission as a ''last chance for peace.'' After the envoy left without a promise of Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, the U.N. Security Council voted Monday for new measures against Iraq. The measures hold Iraq responsible for damage to Kuwaiti property and for human rights violations stemming from the invasion.

Primakov also spoke in Baghdad late Sunday with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency quoted Soviet sources as saying Primakov discussed the continuing plight of some 3,000 Soviet nationals in Iraq.

Neither Baghdad nor Moscow has described the Soviets as hostages, and Iraq has allowed a number to be flown home. But Saddam has indicated the majority of Soviets must stay in Iraq to fulfill their contracts.

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#90302u1558 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday unchanged to 6 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.36	9.40	9.29	9.39	9.33

May	9.38	9.45	9.32	9.44	9.39
Jly	9.41	9.46	9.35	9.46	9.41
Oct	9.45	9.49	9.41	9.49	9.43
Mar	9.50	9.58	9.50	9.58	9.58

Estimated sales: 5,103 contracts
Open interest: 111,217 off 1,008
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.42

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 1 to 3 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.15	23.16	23.12	23.16	23.15
Mar	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.14
May	23.26	23.26	23.26	23.26	23.25
Jly	23.26	23.26	23.26	23.26	23.25
Sep	23.24	23.24	23.24	23.24	23.21
Nov	22.98	23.05	22.98	23.03	23.00
Jan	....	....	....	23.04	23.03

Estimated sales: 27 contracts
Open interest: 10,956 up 84

-30- 1185

#90302u1585 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - One out of every seven babies in the Western Hemisphere is born to a teenage mother, with young Latin American women leading the statistics by a large margin, a study showed Monday.

The annual birthrate among women ages 15 to 19 in the United States is 51 per 1,000, compared with 23 per 1,000 in Canada and 80 to 90 per 1,000 in Latin America, said a report released by the Alan Guttmacher Institute.

By age 20, about 10 percent of all women in Canada and 20 percent of all women in the United States have given birth to their first child, the study said.

In comparison, 30 percent of all women in Brazil, Columbia, Peru and Trinidad, 40 percent of all women in the Dominican Republic, Ecuador and Mexico, and 50 percent of all women in Guatemala have borne their first child by age 20.

''In much of the Latin American and Caribbean region the traditional pattern of starting af family at a young age is changing slowly or not at all,'' said the study by the reproductive health group.

The report attributed the high birth rate among Latin American teenagers to strong cultural and social pressure on young women to marry and have children, ignorance about the risks of pregnancy, and a belief that using birth control

is akin to promiscuousness.

''Overall family size is declining throughout the region, not because young women are postponing the age at which they start their families, but because women are beginning to practice family planning (or are becoming sterilized) in their 20s and 30s, after they have had several children,'' the study said.

Despite such statistics, the study said ''even countries with vigorous family planning programs'' do not target sexually active teenagers as being in special need of family planning services or programs aimed at counseling them on the advantages of postponing motherhood.

The research was funded by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation.

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#90302u1598 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, AK (OCT. 29) UPI - The first regularly scheduled flights between the West Coast and the Soviet Far East begin next spring, but U.S. officials and their Soviet counterparts celebrated the new air route Monday, declaring that it signifies the ''ice curtain'' has melted.

''We are standing at the edge of an era where we're going to see regular visits back and forth between the American West Coast and the Soviet Far East '' Alaska Gov. Steve Cowper said at a ceremony marking the new route.

''I think this is truly the lifting of the ice curtain between our two nations '' Sen. Frank Murkowski, R-Alaska, told officials of the Federal Aviation Administration and the Soviet Ministry of Civil Aviation attending the ceremony at the FAA Anchorage air traffic control center.

''We are melting the ice,'' Vsevolod Burkov, deputy chief of air traffic control in the Soviet aviation ministry, said through an interpreter. ''We are on the right way to establishing air transportation between the United States and the Soviet Union.''

''The red tape has now become the red carpet,'' said Ted Beckloff, FAA Alaska region administrator.

Aeroflot and Pan Am regularly fly between Moscow and New York and Washington. But for years, anyone wanting to travel between the West Coast and the Soviet Far East has had to go around the world in the other direction, taking the established route across the Atlantic. This has made it difficult for the West Coast to do business and develop relations with the emerging Soviet Far East.

A small airline in Nome, Alaska, Bering Air, has been flying charters across the Bering Strait to the Soviet town of Provideniya while aviation officials on the both sides of the border hammered out an agreement signed earlier this

year to establish regular air routes between cities on the West Coast and the Soviet east coast.

Flights will link Khabarovsk and Magadan on the Soviet side to Anchorage and San Francisco on the American side. Aeroflot is tentatively scheduled to initiate flights in April, with Alaska Airlines flights beginning in June.

In June 1988, Alaska Airlines flew the first flight across the Bering Strait since Cold War politics erected the ice curtain border more than four decades earlier. Since that flight from Anchorage to Provideniya, Alaska has been seeking to establish regular air travel.

''In our day-to-day affairs we often lose sight of the fact that it is still possible to be pioneers,'' Beckloff said, ''to be the ones that do something first.''

The new flights across the Bering Sea will encourage cultural, educational, business and social exchanges as well as tourism, Beckloff said.

Implementing the flight agreements has required setting up various air traffic control procedures for the new route and the Soviets have had to find English-speaking controllers, said Frank Price, FAA manager of international procedures.

Various FAA and Soviet aviation officials were to fly Tuesday from Anchorage to Anadyr, site of a key Soviet east coast air traffic control facility, for a similar ceremony on the Soviet side marking the new route, then return to the United States to finalize technical arrangements at FAA headquarters in Washington.

''This is truly a historic occasion, something we've been looking forward to for a long time,'' said John Kern, an administrator from FAA headquarters in Washington. ''We're looking forward to the day that more routes and more destinations will be established.''

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#90302u1600 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

CHARLESTOWN, IN (OCT. 29) UPI - A disgruntled teenager took a teacher and students hostage at gunpoint in a classroom Monday at Charlestown High School.

Investigators said Eli Dean, 18, apparently was upset over being suspended for pulling a fire alarm lever in the school two weeks ago.

Dean, reportedly armed with a handgun, confronted the teacher and about 15 students around 11 a.m. EST and took them prisoner.

He subsequently allowed about 10 students to leave but held the teacher and

five other students.

No shots were fired and no injuries were reported.

All other personnel in the school were evacuated while a SWAT team moved in and state police negotiators made contact with Dean.

Police said his demands, if any, were not known immediately.

Police said Dean's father is a weighmaster for the Indiana State Police Department.

Charlestown is located north of Louisville, Ky.

Dean confronted the students in the school with a gun, student Amanda Garr said.

''He took them into his favorite teachers classroom,'' she said.

Garr confirmed the report that Dean was ''kicked out of school. I guess it upset him.''

Still, Garr said she was stunned that Dean would enter the school and take hostages.

''Eli, to me, is the best guy anybody could ever ask for,'' she said. ''Something got in him and he's gone crazy about about. He's a very good guy. He wouldn't hurt anybody.''

Garr said she and other students at first thought a bomb threat had been received when they were told to leave the building.

''We found out it was Eli and everybody started crying,'' she said.

The evacuated students were sent home for the day.

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#90302u1603 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 29) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in light trading.

Bonds - Higher.

American Stocks - Lower in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed mixed in thin trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Dollar - Higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed unchanged to up 1 1/4, wheat was off 1 1/2 to up 1 1/2, beans were down 2 to 4 3/4 and oats were off 3/4 to 1.

Cattle Trade - $1.50 higher to $1.00 lower; top $78.50.

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#90302u1617 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $39 to $44 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.40 cent to 1.00 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.80 to 7.50 cents a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.32 cent to 1.28 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.10 to $2.80 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $4.90 an ounce higher across the board for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - unchanged to 0.50 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 7.7 cents an ounce higher across the board for a 5,000-troy- ounce contract.

World Sugar - unchanged to 0.006 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

-30- 973

#90302u1654 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

PANAMA CITY, PANAMA (OCT. 29) UPI - Panamanian bankers and officials are angered by what they see as U.S. efforts to badger Panama into changing its

bank secrecy laws, seeing a proposed treaty as a threat to the country's banking industry.

The United States has yet to release $84 million in aid because Panama refuses to sign the treaty that would allow for closer scrutiny of the country's 113 banks.

Many Panamanians say withholding the aid and charges of money laundering against a bank to which President Guillermo Endara has close ties are heavy-handed measures by the United States to force Endara into signing the treaty.

Under Endara, Panama has made some moves to fight money laundering, which is said to have flourished under former military ruler Manuel Noriega. Large cash deposits must be registered and more than 400 bank accounts have been frozen for investigation.

But the United States also wants Panama to sign a Mutual Legal Assistance Agreement giving U.S. authorities access to secret bank accounts. U.S. officials say it would help both countries investigate crimes and would improve Panama's image as a magnet for dirty money. "It is sort of like a 'Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval' saying that, 'Okay, we're serious, legitimate bankers around here,'" a U.S. official said.

Jose Torres, a local economist who supports the treaty, said "there has to be much better control over the operation of the banks." Bank secrecy was the key to Panama's growth as a financial center that provides 7,000 jobs and pumps $200 million a year into the economy.

Panama has said it will cooperate on money laundering investigations, but it objects to language in the treaty that would allow U.S. authorities to probe for tax evasion and activities not considered to be crimes in Panama.

Bankers said the treaty could lead to massive withdrawals by worried depositors. "We are not going to sign a treaty that finishes off the banking center," said Julio Berrios, treaty affairs director at the Foreign Ministry.

Edgardo Lasso Valdes, president of the Banker's Association, said bankers are also sensitive to U.S. meddling because they are struggling to recover billions of dollars taken out of Panama after the United States imposed economic sanctions in 1988 to pressure Noriega.

Charges by a U.S. anti-narcotics agent that Banco Interoceanico (Interbanco), of which Endara is a shareholder and director, is involved in money laudering have added to the controversy.

The agent tipped off the Panamanian Attorney General's Office in January that $12 million belonging to Colombian drug boss Gonzalo Rodriguez Gacha was

deposited in Interbanco last October.

On Thursday, Endara denied any knowledge of money laundering at Interbanco and said he submitted his resignation from the board in May. His resignation has not yet been accepted by Panama's banking commission.

Some observers say the United States is using the scandal to pressure Endara into signing the pact. "I think it is a scheme to force him into signing the treaty," said opposition legislator Mario Rognoni. "The United States is proving that it is willing to use money laundering as a political instrument. They used it against Noriega. Now they are using it against Endara." U.S. officials have declined to comment on the Interbanco allegations.

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#90302u1667 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

HAMDEN, CT (OCT. 29) UPI - Federal agents and state police continued digging up a suspected secret mob grave Monday, where the remains of at least three people were found buried in a garage behind a locksmith shop, officials said.

The owner of the shop, convicted bank robber Richard Joseph Beedle Sr., 58, appeared in U.S. District Court in New Haven and was ordered held without bond said U.S. Attorney Stanley A. Twardy Jr.

The bones of three and perhaps four people believed to be victims of warfare within the Patriarca organized crime family in the Hartford, Conn.-Springfield Mass., area were found in a garage behind Beedle's home, Twardy said.

Beedle was charged with being an accessory after the fact of a murder committed in aid of racketeering, which is punishable by up to 10 years in federal prison and a $250,000 fine, Twardy said.

Arrested on the same charge Monday was Salvatore ''Butch'' D'Aquila Jr. of Middletown, 48, who operates Central News, a newspaper and variety store on Main Street in Middletown, Twardy said.

D'Aquila has past convictions on state gambling and fraud charges, said Twardy.

FBI agents discovered the mass grave in a garage behind Beedle's home in Hamden on Friday after searching for weeks with the cooperation of another suspect convicted on racketeering charges.

Jack Johns, a reputed organized crime figure arrested in March in a roundup of the Providence, R.I.-based Patriarca family, told authorities that bodies had been buried in Hamden, but he could not remember the address, Twardy said.

Johns rode through the New Haven suburb with FBI agents and spotted the house Friday, Twardy said.

Beedle was arrested and federal and state investigators with a search warrant and picks and shovels dug up the remains over the weekend.

Beedle, who operated Dick's Locksmith Shop in Hamden, was convicted in a 1970 bank robbery in Allentown, Pa., and was long associated with organized crime, New Haven police said.

The grave had been disturbed earlier in an apparent attempt to remove the remains and no other fragements were found in the search which continued Monday, Twardy said.

Twardy said he could not comment on the possible identities of the victims, but a published report said one of those buried in Hamden may be William Grant an East Hartford restaurant owner who vanished in 1988.

Grant was regarded as an ally to William P. ''Billy'' Grasso of New Haven, who the government said was second in command of the Patriarca family before he was shot in the back of the neck in June 1989 and thrown into the Connecticut River in Wethersfield.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 29) UPI - The nation's largest ophthalmology organization gave Bob Hope its Distinguished Service Award Monday and the comedian returned the favor with a mix of eye doctor jokes and a message of gratitude to the physicians.

''You can tell it's an eye doctors' convention just by the cars in the parking lot,'' Hope told doctors, exhibitors and other eye care workers gathered for the 94th Annual meeting of the American Academy of Ophthalmology at the Georgia World Congress Center. ''You can't read the license plates without covering one eye first and the headlights are dilated.''

Hope, who spearheads National Eye Healthcare Month each year by volunteering for public service announcements and billboard advertising, is considered one of the most charitable contributors to the cause, said Academy spokeswoman Linda Whitfield.

''It's really an age of specialists,'' Hope began another joke. ''One time, one doctor raised my eyelid with his finger. I said, 'what's next?' He said, That's all I do.'''

Hope said he once asked former President Gerald Ford if his eyes were ever checked and Ford responded, ''No, they've always been blue.''

Hope got the biggest laugh when he turned his barbs on President Bush.

''I want my eyesight improved too,'' Hope said. ''With all these budget problems, it's getting very hard to read Bush's lips.''

Hope concluded his acceptance speech on a serious note.

''I am deeply honored by this particular award,'' he said. ''Especially, coming from a group of specialists I couldn't admire more. Thank God for opthalmologists.''

Whitfield said among Hope's contributions has been his reminders to Americans to get regular eye examinations, especially after age 40.

She said the recommendation is important because many eye diseases have no symptoms, but nevertheless gradually rob people of their vision.

There are an estimated 35-to-42-million blind people in the world. Doctors believe up to 80 percent of the blindness is preventable or curable, Whitfield said.

One of the main focuses of the four-day meeting of ophthalmologists will be discussion of new programs to extend eye care to developing nations.

''We have the technology to help people deal with blindness and low vision,'' said Dr. Edward Garcia, president of the academy. ''People in other parts of the world - developing nations - most often die when they become blind because of a lack of resources.''

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#90302u1682 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (OCT. 29) UPI - A leading World Bank official said Monday the institution should normalize its lending to China, in another sign the bank was ending a punitive stance adopted last year after Beijing's crackdown on democracy advocates.

China's official Xinhua news agency said World Bank Vice President Attila Karaosmanoglu discussed the issue during a meeting with hard-line Premier Li Peng. "I hope the World Bank will pace up steps to restore loans to China, " Xinhua quoted Karaosmanoglu as saying.

Karaosmanoglu's statement followed recent comments by World Bank President Barber Conable, who said the institution's policy toward China would be relexed to reflect the wishes of leaders at this summer's G-7 summit meeting in Houston.

Conable said at a Sept. 24 news conference the bank was "moving toward a normal program in keeping with the reform program that China has," and he

predicted at least one new loan in October and another in November.

The bank president said his instutition regarded the statement by the G-7 leaders, whose countries constitute the leading Western industrialized democracies, as representing an important "consensus" on loans to China.

Karaosmanoglu said the time had come for the World Bank to resume making loans to China "in a normal manner," although he stressed that China should make better use of funds it receives from the bank, Xinhua reported Monday.

The World Bank, which makes concessionary loans to developing countries for long-range development, suspended most lending to Beijing last year in keeping with widespread condemnation of the bloody June 4 crackdown that crushed China's nationwide pro-democracy movement.

The bank deferred approval of seven projects worth $780 million that were pending at the time of the crackdown, and it has lent China less than $600 million since then, with all of those funds considered urgent "humanitarian" loans. The World Bank had lent China a total of about $1.35 billion in the fiscal year that ended June 30, 1989.

Some of the political and economic sanctions imposed by the West gradually have been lifted, most recently last week by the European Community, but most defense-related sanctions remain in place.

A spokesman at World Bank headquarters in Washington said the institution never formally enacted any type of "sanctions" against China, but said bank officials had been refraining from recommending loans to China that they expected its board of directors would reject.

The spokesman, Pat Sison, said he now believed World Bank directors were ready to resume "normal" lending policies toward China, although he said he could not predict what amount of loans that would involve.

Sison noted that Conable, when quoted recently as stating the bank would approve 11 loans to China in the coming year, firmly denied the report. At the Sept. 24 news conference, Conable said, "We think we will have a fairly steady flow of loans to China."

Xinhua did not say whether Karaosmanoglu and Li discussed China's tense political climate, but quoted Karaosmanoglu as saying he had developed "a better understanding of the direction and priorities of China's reform and construction."

China is in the third year of a tough economic retrenchment program that has sharply curbed inflation while slowing the pace of industrial and commercial modernization and development.

The communist government nevertheless has been unable to curb its own massive outlays for social services, resulting in alarmingly high deficits and a scramble for new revenues.

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(For Monday)

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Monday	1042.5
Friday	1055.0
Week ago	1055.9
Month ago	1077.2
Year ago	1085.0
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1042.5

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#90302u1688 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - The dollar shrugged off a long-expected Federal Reserve move to bring down short-term U.S. interest rates and actually gained ground in New York trading Monday, with some players citing rising war fears.

Currency traders said the perceived lowering of the key Federal funds rate to 7 3/4 percent from eight percent, effected by the U.S. central bank by the addition of reserves to the banking system, came as no surprise.

For weeks financial markets had awaited Congressional passage of legislation to cut the U.S. budget deficit, which Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan had broadly hinted would be rewarded with lower short-term rates. The Fed manipulates the funds rate, paid on short-term loans between members of the U.S. reserve system, to signal credit policy.

"Everyone had gone into that short of dollars" commented Albert Soria, first vice president and currency manager for the Kansallis Osake Pankki investment bank. After the Fed eased, players bought back dollars, he said.

In late New York dealings, the dollar traded at 1.5225 German marks, up from 1.5140 marks Friday, and at 128.50 Japanese yen, up from 128.10.

Soria added that in later trading the market focused on what seemed to be a higher likelihood of fighting in the Persian Gulf - one key development being the convening of the U.N. Military Staff Committee.

Interest rate considerations have been displaced by expectations of a clash,

Soria said. "The latest is rumors emanating out of Europe that conflict could erupt anytime between now and the middle of November," he said.

But chief trader Graham Beale of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp. said a directionless market was overreacting to headlines. "It's still a shouting match at the moment, and until something happens we'll stay in the doldrums," Beale said.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2930 Swiss francs, up from 1.2800; 5.0925 French francs, up from 5.0680; and 1,139.50 Italian lire, up from 1,134.50. The pound slipped to $1.95 from $1.9575.

In European dealings the dollar closed mixed as markets awaited a U.S. credit easing consequent on passage of a budget package. Players also looked for some dollar-bearish economic news in the days ahead.

"Data later this week ... could mean the Federal Reserve will ease its rates between a quarter and a half a percentage point," said David Osborne, an economist with James Capel Co. He spoke before the New York Fed took action to lower the federal funds rate a quarter point. "With that in mind, the dollar is marginally weaker, especially against the deutsch mark and the yen," he added.

The dollar closed slightly lower in Frankfurt, at 1.5150 German marks against 1.5170 at Friday's close. But the U.S. unit closed higher in Zurich at 1.2820 Swiss francs compared with 1.2805.

In London, the pound continued to ease against the U.S. unit after a weekend summit of European leaders left British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher alone in opposing a single European currency, dealers said. The pound closed at $1.9525 vs. $1.9555 Friday.

The dollar ended slightly lower in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at 5.0510 French francs vs. 5.0685, 31.18 Belgian francs vs. 31.22, and 1, 130.70 Italian lire vs.1,134.50.

Earlier, the dollar slipped against Japan's yen in Tokyo after passage on the weekend of the U.S. deficit-cutting budget bill. The dollar closed at 127.35 Japanese yen, down 1.15 yen from 128.50 yen late last week.

The budget bill topped a list of concerns making for a dollar-bearish market. Dealers also cited Tuesday's release of third quarter GNP figures expected to reflect a continuing U.S. economic slump.

Gold closed lower in Zurich at $373 an ounce vs, $373.50. It also was down in London at $372.75 an ounce vs. $373 Friday.

Silver closed sharply lower in Zurich at $4.10 an ounce vs. $4.20. But it was

unchanged in London at $4.16.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $374.25 an ounce, up from $371.25. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $373.70 an ounce, also ahead from $370.90.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.145 an ounce, up from $4.08. Comex silver closed at $4.127 an ounce, up from $4.05.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 29) UPI - The powerful rhythm and blues act of Ike and Tina Turner and the Byrds, who pioneered the hybrid folk-rock and country- rock sounds, are part of the sixth class of inductees for the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame.

The 1991 class announced Monday also includes 1950s and '60s rhythm and blues star LaVern Baker, blues guitarist John Lee Hooker, the Impressions, soul singer Wilson Pickett and guitar and harmonica blues artist Jimmy Reed.

Inducted during the Jan. 16 ceremonies in New York City for the ''early influence'' category will be blues master Howlin' Wolf, and producers Ralph Bass and Dave Bartholomew will be inducted in the non- performing category.

Members of the latest class join such names as Chuck Berry, Ray Charles, Fats Domino, Elvis Presley, Bo Diddley, The Beatles, the Rolling Stones and The Four Tops among the 71 artists inducted since 1986. Construction on the hall of fame building is expected to begin next year in Cleveland.

Paul Shaffer, for the sixth straight year, will put together the muscial show for the induction ceremony, which in past years has lasted until the early morning hours with some of the greatest names in rock 'n' roll participating a jam session.

Shaffer was particularly pleased with the choice of Ike Turner, 59, and Tina Turner, 52. The team is no longer together. Ike Turner was sentenced Feb. 16 to four years in state prison in California on drug abuse charges.

''Nobody does it live like Ike and Tina Turner,'' said Shaffer, who was in Cleveland to make the announcement of the inductees. ''They defined an R and B act ... put together in a revue to kill people.''

Shaffer said he considered the Turners' 1970 remake of ''Proud Mary'' a classic.

The Byrds are credited with introducing the music of Bob Dylan to a mass audience before going on to develop their own distinctive style.

Members of the Byrds were Roger ''Jim'' McGuinn, 48, David Crosby, 49, Chris Hillman, 47, Gene Clark, 45, and Michael Clarke, 47.

''All of them went on to solo careers and remain popular today,'' Shaffer noted.

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#90302u1706 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

TBILISI, GEORGIA, USSR (OCT. 29) UPI - The pro-independence Round Table- Free Georgia bloc won a landslide victory that will oust the communists from power in Georgia's first free elections in 70 years, officials said Monday.

Georgian election commission chairman Irakli Zhordania said preliminary results showed the opposition group with roughly twice as many votes as the communists. Another election official estimated Round Table received 60 percent of the vote.

''This was the first time we have had multiparty elections that expressed the true will of the people,'' Zhordania said. ''This moment can be considered one of the most decisive in the life our country.''

Final official results were not expected to be available for three days, but Zhordania said enough results were in to declare Round Table the clear winner.

''I want to congratulate the Round Table and its leader Ziad Gamsakhurdia for their victory on behalf of the elction commision,'' said Zhordania, a communist whose control of the commission was criticized by the opposition before Sunday's elections.

''I hope they can fulfill all the ideas and promises for a better future of our country,'' Zhordania said.

Round Table has vowed to seek independence from Moscow, although officials from the party refuse to speculate on a timetable.

After the preliminary results were announced, several thousand Round Table supporters held a victory rally in front of the government building, closing Tbilisi's main Rustaveli Avenue.

After Gamsakhurdia spoke and the rally was breaking up, a man fired a starter's pistol with a blank, causing a brief panic in the crowd, and the man who fired the dud pistol was seized.

Because of previous shootings connected with the campaign, the obvious prank caused alarm. In the run-up to the elections, shots were fired into cndidates' homes.

On Friday, the leader of National Democratic Party, Georgi Chanturia, was wounded in the arm. The assailant has not been caught.

''We are very proud,'' said Tengiz Dikhamingia, an official of the Round Table bloc and a likely member of the new parliament. ''The first thing we will do is change the Soviet-imposed constitution.

"Eventually we hope to see the total destruction of so-called Soviet reality."

Round Table is led by Gamsakhurdia, founder of the Georgia Helsinki Watch Group who was imprisoned for two years under Leonid Brezhnev from 1977-79 as a political dissident.

But now the victory by the Round Table bloc gives Gamsakhurdia the inside inside track on becoming Georgia's president when parliament convenes.

''Nobody expected such a big advantage for Round Table,'' Zhordania said. ''Everywhere throughout Georgia, the advantage went to Round Table.''

The results vindicated the prediction of Gamsakhurdia, who said before the polls that his opposition bloc would gain a parliamentary majority if the vote counting was fair.

Pre-election polls had shown the Communists polling 30 percent with Round Table second with 21.5 and the rest of the population undecided or favoring one of the other nine blocs participating.

Half the seats of the 250-member parliament will be allocated to the blocs by the proportion of total votes received, and the other half from direct balloting for specific candidates.

Zhordania said preliminary results showed 95 percent of the vote went to either Round Table or the Communists, but he refused to give specific numbers for either group.

Tengiz Sigua, deputy chairman of the republic's central election commission, said, however, that with about half the precincts counted, Round Table had about 60 percent of the vote and ''the proportions are not likely to change.''

Zhordania said the voting and the counting processes were fair with no serious irregularities.

In the direct balloting for individual candidates, Zhordania said in districts where results were available, Round Table was winning 35 seats and Communists were ahead in 20. Thirty districts will require runoff elections, and there were no results for the remaining districts, he said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	63 7-8	off	3-4
AT&T Company	33 3-8	unch	
BCE Inc	32 1-4	up	1-4
Bell Atlantic	49 3-4	unch	
BellSouth Corp	51 1-2	off	1-4
Exxon Corp	47 1-2	up	1-4
Ford Motor Co	29 5-8	off	1-8
Genl Electric	50 5-8	up	1-8
General Motors	37 1-8	off	1-8
GTE Corp	27 3-8	off	1-8
IBM Corp	106 1-8	off	3-4
Mobil Oil Corp	57 3-8	off	3-4
Nynex Corp	68 1-4	off 1	3-4
Pac Gas & Elec	23 3-8	off	3-8
Pacific Telesis	43 3-8	off	3-8
Phila Electric	16 1-8	up	1-4
Sears Roebuck	23 1-4	off	5-8
Southern Co	26 1-8	up	1-4
Sthwestern Bell	52 3-8	off	3-8
US West Inc	35 7-8	off 1	

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CHICAGO (OCT. 29) UPI - Monday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.46 1/4-2.51 1/4 off 1.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.84 1/2- 5.92 1/2 off 4 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.16 1/2-2.29 1/2 up 3/4 to 1 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.29 1/2-2.31 1/2 up 1 3/4 to 3/4.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.70

60 to 89 days 7.68

90 to 119 days 7.70

120 to 149 days 7.70

150 to 179 days 7.58

180 to 270 days 7.54

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.80 - 7.675

Issuers 30 days 7.78

Issuers 90 days 7.69

Issuers 270 days 7.43

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.86

60 to 89 days 7.86

90 to 119 days 7.96

120 to 149 days 7.91

150 to 179 days 7.91

180 days 7.91

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.75 - 7.875

1 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

3 month 7.875 - 8.00

6 month 7.875 - 8.00

Year 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.16 - 7.14

6 months 7.13 - 7.11

Year 7.00 - 6.98

Federal Funds: High 7 13-16, Low 7 11-16, Close 7 3/4

Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 7.678 off 0.081.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90302u1724 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (OCT. 29) UPI - British defense chief Sir David Craig Monday said he was satisfied with the chain-of-command for multinational forces in Saudi Arabia but refused to say if London retains veto power over any war plans.

Craig told reporters during a visit to the Gulf nation that he was ''absolutely happy'' with command arrangements, although he did not specify what they were.

''We have made very good arrangements now, which are totally agreed by the hosts here, with our American friends and by all the British servicemen out here,'' he said.

He would not say if British commanders had veto power over war plans, saying instead they had the ''power of national command.'' He did not elaborate.

The chain-of-command issue is a thorny one, as foreign troops are stationed on Saudi sands at the invitation of King Fahd to defend his oil-rich kingdom. The king, the United States and other forces at times all have given conflicting views of the command structure.

Asked if prior to combat a British commander could ''say no'' to plans the British disliked and the Americans proposed, Craig said, ''It's not necessarily (U.S. commanding General Norman) Schwarzkopf. We obviously must be satisfied before we go to war that the plans are good. I'm sure they will be.''

He said London must handle the question of whether additional British troops would be sent.

Craig, visiting a Royal Engineers detachment assigned to the famed Desert Rats tank brigade, also said he saw nothing to indicate Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had any plans to leave Kuwait soon.

The 61-year-old Royal Air Force veteran told reporters that economic sanctions against Iraq were the way to go and ''clearly must bite. They'll bite in time. How long it's much more difficult to estimate. We must wait and see.''

The defense chief, whose position is the equivalent in the United States to chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, America's top military tribunal, said the multinational force now arrayed against Iraq within Saudi Arabia is ''in a good position to protect Saudi Arabia, and if there's aggression, we can certainly take that on too.''

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2430.20	off	5.94
20 Trans	827.11	off	9.98
15 Utils	208.38	off	0.31
65 Stocks	857.61	off	4.04

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#90302u1732 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2430.20	off	5.94	827.11	off	9.98	208.38	off	0.31
Friday	2436.14	off	48.02	837.09	off	14.24	208.69	off	1.13
Week ago	2516.09	off	4.70	883.69	up	15.53	210.89	up	1.01
Month ago	2515.84	up	63.36	873.15	up	31.80	203.35	up	4.78

Year ago	2603.48	up	6.76	1191.86	up	1.43	216.74 up 0.88
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks - 7,560,000 shares

1990 to date - 2,859,330,390

Bonds - $2,170,000

1990 to date - $607,769,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 32 to 128 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	74.40	75.60	74.40	75.54	74.26
Mar	74.30	75.25	74.30	75.13	74.10
May	74.72	75.35	74.72	75.29	74.62
Jly	74.80	75.40	74.80	75.25	74.74
Oct	68.15	68.50	68.15	68.45	68.13
Dec	66.45	66.85	66.45	66.65	66.15
Mar	67.25	67.25	67.25	67.75	67.10

Estimated sales: 8,000 contracts

Open interest: 45,071 up 440

The World spot average: 71.96

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Monday - $50,440,000

1990 to date - $9,187,968,000

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#90302u1755 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks - 133,980,000 shares

1990 to date - 33,097,526,782

Warrants - 870,600

1990 to date - 210,316,700

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#90302u1759 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 29) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 165.24 off 1.47
ASE Market Value Index 288.79 off 2.60
Dow-Jones Industrial 2430.20 off 5.94

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#90302u1763 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 291.45, low 288.45, close 288.79, off 2.60.

There was a loss of 8 cents in the average share price.

Volume 7,560,000 shares, compared with 9, 480,000 Friday.
What the AMEX Market Did
New Highs 8
New Lows 57
Advances 181
Declines 362
Unchanged 213
Total Issues 756

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#90302u1773 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (OCT. 29) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Monday - 8,468,000
1990 to date - 2,080,658,000

The market closed lower.

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#90302u1783 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday.

Stock		Volume	Close		Chg.
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	55,973,096	62 1/2	off	7/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	38,085,920	29 7/8	off	1/2
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	36,307,804	15 5/8	off	1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	33,738,372	32 3/8	off	7/8

Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	31,416,538	29 7/8	off 1/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	28,563,416	44 5/8	off 1 1/8
Autodesk	(ACAD)	23,697,860	36 3/8	off 2 1/8
Tele-Commun A	(TCOM)	16,814,520	10 1/8	unch
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	16,534,956	37 5/8	off 7/8
Conner Prphrls	(CNNR)	15,422,701	21 3/4	off 5/8

Composite Index 145.02 off 1.57

NMS volume 72,484,000 shares.

Advances	532
Declines	925
Unchanged	1,333
Total	2,790

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#90302u1785 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 29) UPI - President Bush denied Monday that he is preparing the nation for war in the Middle East, but said the United States would have ''no hesitancy at all'' to take military action against Iraq if provoked.

Speaking to reporters at a news conference while on the GOP campaign trail, Bush answered ''no'' when asked if he were preparing the United States for a military confrontation with Iraq and was evasive when asked if he thought continued tensions would lead to war.

''I'm just doing my job as president of the United States,'' said Bush. ''I'm not preparing anybody for anything. I am determined as I've ever been that this aggression will not stand.''

The president restated that an Iraqi withdrawl from Kuwait must top any peaceful settlement of the crisis that began on Aug. 2 when Saddam Hussein's troops rolled over its tiny, oil-rich neighbor in what the United States has condemned as an act of ''naked aggression.''

''There's no way we're going to have negotiation with conditionality, '' said Bush, who added the global coalition against Saddam is united and is sending a ''very clear signal to the invader that he's got to get out of Kuwait.''

Bush said he would meet Tuesday with congressional leaders, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to discuss the crisis, including plans to possibly deploy 100,000 additional troops and the president's responsibility to notify Congress of military confrontation under the War Powers Act.

''I am working to try to get this matter resolved peacefully. We have a lot of

force there and they're well trained,'' said Bush. ''They are highly motivated and that alone is sending an enormously strong signal to Saddam Hussein.''

He said that ''history is replete with examples where the president had to take action. And I've done this in the past, and certainly, somebody mentioned provocation, we'd have no hesitancy at all.''

Questions about the possiblity of war surfaced as Secretary of State James Baker delivered a key foreign policy speech that kept the military option open and as a Soviet delegation reported no progress in attempting to persuade Saddam to remove his troops from Kuwait.

Baker, in a speech prepared for delivery in Los Angeles, said Saddam is ''hell-bent on a revival of hot war'' in the Middle East. Baker said although the United States prefers a diplomatic solution, ''We will not rule out a possible use of force if Iraq continues to occupy Kuwait.''

On the diplomatic front, Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov returned to Moscow following a meeting with Saddam in Baghdad in what some Arab newspapers called the ''last chance'' for a peaceful solution.

After Primakov left without a promise of an Iraqi withdrawl, the U.N. Security Council voted to hold Baghdad responsible for damage to Kuwaiti property and for human rights violations stemming from the invasion.

Later, Soviet President Mikahail Gorbachev said the gulf crisis must be settled peacefully and indicated Primakov found signs that Saddam may be sofening his position somewhat.

Saddam said in an interview that the talks were ''wide-ranging, deep and very useful.'' Saddam also criticized Bush for comparing him to Hitler.

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#90302u1786 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (OCT. 29) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has offered to make peace with Kurdish rebels in northern Iraq, and an Iranian newspaper said Tehran could mediate between the Baghdad government and the rebels, the official Islamic Republic News Agency said Monday.

In a dispatch monitored in Athens, IRNA quoted the Tehran newspaper Kayhan International as saying Saddam has begun a new move ''to make peace with Iraq's Kurdish minority.''

The newspaper said the new move could be taken as a goodwill gesture toward 95,000 Iraqi Kurdish refugees in Iran and tens of thousands living in Turkey.

Iraqi government forces battled Iranian-backed Kurdish rebels in the north of

the country during then 1980-88 Gulf war, and Saddam sent several divisions of his troops into Kurdish territory to suppress the rebellion after the Iran-Iraq cease-fire in 1988.

Peace between the government troops and Kurdish rebels in northern Iraq would enable Saddam to deploy several thousand more troops in Kuwait, where he faces possible attack by a U.S.-led multinational force asembled in Saudi Arabia.

In August, the Iraqi president hastened to clinch a peace deal with Iran, capitulating to all Tehran's conditions to secure his eastern flank when a more serious military force began building up against him in the south.

Kayhan International did not give details of Saddam's latest peace moves toward the Kurds.

In an editorial, the newspaper said: ''While the Iraqi Kurds should take advantage of Saddam's new peace offer and reach an agreement for a long-lasting peace in their region, they should remember that verbal promises will not solve their problems.''

It said ''the Islamic Republic of Iran can play a vital role as a mediator between the two sides,'' adding that representatives of the Iraqi government and the Kurdish rebels could meet on neutral ground in Tehran to come to terms.

Some 3.5 million Kurds in northern Iraq, led mainly by the Kurdistan Democratic Party and the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, have struggled for autonomy for at least three decades.

During the 1980-88 Gulf war, Saddam sought to suppress the rebellion by uprooting thousands of Kurds from their villages and towns, especially along the borders with Iran and Turkey, and transferring them to camps in the southern Iraqi desert.

In March 1988, Saddam's forces used chemical weapons against Kurdish rebels who occupied the town of Halabja with Iranian help, An estimated 5,000 Kurdish men, women and children died in the attack in which mustard gas, nerve gas and cyanide were used.

Kayhan International urged the Iraqi president to ''declare a true amnesty for thousands of Iraqi Kurds ... and let them return to their traditional lands.''

There was no immediate word from Kurdish rebel sources on how they would react to Saddam's latest peace moves in the region. In the past, rebel chiefs have warned Kurdish refugees in Iran and Turkey against accepting amnesty offers from Baghdad.

The Iraqi Kurdish rebels have frequently threatened major Iraqi oil installations in the provinces of Mosul and Kirkuk, but their forces are

mainly concentrated in the provinces of Arbil and Sulaimaniya, where they hold large tracts of mountainous territory.

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#90302u1790 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.96	off 0.10
10 Public Utils	91.09	up 0.04
10 Industrials	86.83	off 0.25

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#90302u1791 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2437.13	2470.30	2407.67	2430.20	off 5.94
20 Trans	837.46	846.34	821.75	827.11	off 9.98
15 Utils	208.88	211.14	207.18	208.38	off 0.31
65 Stock	862.09	872.71	850.84	857.61	off 4.04

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	17,819,000	16,465,700
Trans	2,369,100	2,995,400
Utils	2,581,300	1,914,500
65 Stock	22,769,400	21,375,600

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Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 127.90 up 0.12.

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#90302u1796 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	358.50	212.84	138.23	19.32	304.71

Opening	359.58	212.67	138.66	19.30	305.54
11 a.m.	361.15	213.22	139.23	19.34	306.81
Noon	359.45	212.36	138.78	19.17	305.35
1 p.m.	356.48	210.47	138.08	18.91	302.86
2 p.m.	356.34	210.02	137.89	18.87	302.65
3 p.m.	354.36	208.75	137.45	18.79	301.09
Close	355.45	209.82	137.54	18.80	301.88
Change	off 3.05	off 3.02	off 0.69	off 0.52	off 2.83

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#90302u1798 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	29.95-30.00	28.45-28.50
North Sea Brent	34.75-34.85	33.00-33.05
West Texas Intermed	34.65-34.70	33.00-33.05
Light Louisiana Sweet	35.45-35.55	33.55-33.65
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	95.70-96.20	96.50-97.00
No. 2 Heating oil	90.10-90.35	86.75-87.00
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	86.85-86.15	85.75-86.00
No. 2 Heating oil	89.10-89.35	85.90-86.00

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#90302u1806 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Southern Co	5,998,400	26 1/8	up 1/4
Unisys Corp	3,133,800	2 3/8	up 1/8
Chase Manhtan	2,508,100	10 3/4	off 1/4
Genl Electric	1,991,300	50 7/8	up 3/8
Citicorp	1,792,300	11 1/8	unch
Mobil Corp	1,786,200	57 1/2	off 5/8
Philip Morris	1,710,700	45 7/8	off 3/4
TECO Energy	1,408,000	29 7/8	unch
PepsiCo Inc	1,314,900	23	off 3/4
IBM Corp	1,313,600	106	off 7/8

AT&T Company	1,308,500	33 3/8	unch
Wal-Mart Strs	1,289,200	26 1/2	up 1/4
Amer Express	1,252,500	17 7/8	off 3/4
Boeing Co	1,231,400	46 1/8	unch
Security Pac	1,188,500	17 3/4	off 7/8

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#90302u1809 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - In a tough speech in Beverly Hills, California, Secretary of State Baker says Iraq's Saddam Hussein is ''hell-bent'' on reviving a hot war. Baker told the Los Angeles World Affairs Council that Washington will NOT rule out the use of force if Iraq keeps its troops in neighboring Kuwait.

Police are trying to negotiate with a gun-wielding high school student who took a teacher and about 15 students hostage in Charleston, Indiana. The teacher and at least 10 of the students have been released. NO shots have been fired.

The Supreme Court today refused to become involved in a lower court decision ordering Norfolk, Virginia, to scrap its at-large system of elections beause they discriminate against blacks. The court DID agree to decide when coal miners and their families qualify for black lung disability benefits.

Investigators for the Senate Foreign Relations Committee say it probably IS true there are American P-O-W's still alive in Vietnam. A report on the methods the Pentagon used to account for P-O-W's and M-I- A's says some U-S prisoners of war were held after the U-S government said there were NONE.

Chrysler, which faces a midnight deadline for negotiating a contract with its 67-thousand hourly workers, reported a third-quarter loss of 214-Million dollars today. The loss was blamed on higher marketing costs, a drop in mini-van production and the slowing economy.

In New York City, the mother and sister of a 16-year-old defendant in the Central Park jogger trial refused to be witnesses for the defense today. The two women told defense lawyer Howard Diller they woN'T co- operate with him.

A report released by the Alan Guttmacher Institute says one of seven babies in the Western Hemisphere is born to a teen-age mother. The annual birthrate for women 15 to 19 is 51 per one-thousand in the United States... but the rate rises to 90 births per one-thousand teen mothers in Latin America.

American aviation officials and their Soviet counterparts are celebrating word that the first regularly scheduled flights between the West Coast and Soviet Far East will begin next spring. Alaskan officials call the announcement real proof the ''ice curtain'' between the two nations has melted.

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#90302u1811 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Baldwin Tech	307,600	4 1/8	off 1 7/8
Amdahl Corp	237,500	10 3/4	off 1/4
Fruit of Loom	229,000	6 7/8	off 3/8
MSR Exploration	200,100	3 5/8	up 1/4
Contl Air Hldgs	191,200	3 7/8	up 1/8
Go Video Inc	183,800	5 7/8	off 7/8
Salomon wt93Jan	180,700	16 3/4	off 3/8
Wang Labs Inc B	166,100	2 7/8	up 1/8
Denmark K wt	158,300	17 1/2	off 3/8
Paine W Grp wtB	155,700	8 5/8	off 1/8

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#90302u1817 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (OCT. 29) UPI - Gasoline stations closed and buses stopped running Monday in parts of El Salvador as operators pressed demands for higher profit margins and increased transport subsidies.

''This strike is the result of a lack of willingness on the part of the government (to negotiate) and we are demanding they hear us and give us a tariff compensation,'' said Alberto Lemus, president of the Bus Owners Association.

Bus owners have demanded larger subsidies from the government in order to avoid increasing fares.

Lemus said 90 percent of San Salvador's bus traffic had been shut down temporarily, leaving tens of thousands of commuters who normally use the bus system stranded.

Bus drivers parked their vehicles on some of the highways entering the capital causing traffic jams.

In San Miguel, 71 miles east of San Salvador, gasoline stations stayed closed and owners threatened to extend the strike nationwide if the government did not do something to increase their profit margins from the current 4 percent to 7 percent.

The gas station owners said they will remain closed until their demands are met.

Speaking on a morning television program, Vice President Francisco Merino repeated the government's customary response to economic and labor problems, saying the strikes may be orchestrated by rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN.

Although the FMLN has some support among workers, small businessmen such as bus and gasoline station owners have not traditionally supported them. Lemus denied any link between the bus strike and the rebels.

''With all due respect, we regret the vice president's irresponsible statements,'' Lemus said. ''Our crisis is purely economic and we have no (political) ties with anyone.''

The effects of President Alfredo Cristiani's attempts to reduce the government's role in the economy by selling state-owned businesses and removing some price controls have been aggravated by continued war- related violence and higher world oil prices.

Inflation was 27 percent from January to July, according to figures published by the Central Reserve Bank, and the increase in world oil prices is expected to boost inflation even further during the second half of the year.

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#90302u1825 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	5900	up 50
CapCiti/ABC	400 1/4	off 6 3/4
Wash Post	173 3/4	off 5 1/4
Ohio Pwr pfC	83	up 4 1/2
Wheel Steel pfB	21 1/2	off 3 1/2
Lilly Eli wt	67 3/4	off 3 1/8
PSE&G pfL	84 5/8	up 2 7/8
Bausch & Lomb	58 3/4	off 2 7/8
CNA Fncl	50 3/8	off 2 7/8
Wells Fargo	45 1/8	off 2 3/4

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(OCT. 29) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of

Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	217.10	220.30	213.60	216.45	217.10
Mar	....	....	....	218.70	219.35
Jun	....	....	....	221.00	221.85

Previous day volume: 173 contracts.

Open interest: 1,294 up 39

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	306.80	309.50	301.40	304.00	306.25
Mar	309.60	311.90	304.00	306.50	308.85
Jun	314.60	314.80	307.30	309.30	311.50
Sep	314.00	317.75	311.10	312.20	314.00

Today's estimated volume: 52,758 contracts.

Open interest: 151,426 up 59

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	167.20	168.85	164.40	165.75	166.85
Mar	168.70	169.65	165.75	167.10	168.25
Jun	170.00	170.00	170.00	168.45	169.60

Open interest: 5,572 up 113

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	511.25	516.50	503.75	508.85	510.85
Dec	513.00	518.25	506.00	511.00	512.90
Jan	515.10	520.25	508.00	513.00	515.05

Estimated volume 2,646 contracts.

Open interest: 6,789 up 13

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	330.80	off	3.56	341.12	451.37
Industrial	353.28	off	4.20	365.83	438.04
Finance	325.65	off	2.33	337.13	529.32
Insurance	382.86	off	4.38	387.96	528.56
Utility	453.84	off	4.84	458.60	721.69
Bank	238.16	off	4.47	245.48	432.61
Transport	376.39	off	1.94	387.48	467.80

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100;

Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 145.02 off 1.57
Industrial Index 139.77 off 1.67
NASDAQ-100 Index 343.51 off 4.91

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency Per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austral	.000183	.000182	5478.00	5502.00
Australia dlr	.7830	.7808	1.2771	1.2807
Austria schill	.0938	.0943	10.66	10.61
Belgium franc-c	.0321	.0321	31.20	31.20
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0100	.0102	100.40	97.97
Britain pound	1.9485	1.9550	.5132	.5115
Britain 1-mo	1.9388	1.9453	.5158	.5141
Britain 3-mo	1.9292	1.9278	.5183	.5187
Britain 6-mo	1.8990	1.9056	.5266	.5248
Canada dollar	.8595	.8578	1.1635	1.1658
Canada 1-mo	.8546	.8546	1.1701	1.1701
Canada 3-mo	.8487	.8487	1.1783	1.1783
Canada 6-mo	.8408	.8408	1.1894	1.1894
Chile peso-f	.003370	.003373	296.76	296.48
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001885	.001887	530.51	530.00
Denmark krne	.1731	.1730	5.7770	5.7805
Ecudr sucre-z	.001188	.001193	841.43	838.50
Egypt pound	.3640	.3653	2.7475	2.7375
Finland mrkka	.2778	.2772	3.6000	3.6080
France franc	.1964	.1972	5.0920	5.0700
France 1-mo	.1969	.1969	5.0781	5.0781
France 3-mo	.1963	.1963	5.0940	5.0940
France 6-mo	.1953	.1953	5.1200	5.1200
Greece drach	.006633	.006596	150.76	151.61
Holland guildr	.5831	.5858	1.7150	1.7070
Hong Kong dlr	.1284	.1285	7.7890	7.7835
India rupee	.0555	.0557	18.01	17.96
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000540	1854.00	1853.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7635	1.7665	0.5671	0.5661

Israel shekel	.5084	.5084	1.9830	1.9830
Italy lira	.000877	.000882	1140.50	1134.00
Japan yen	.007779	.007803	128.55	128.15
Japan 1-mo	.007778	.007803	128.56	128.15
Japan 3-mo	.007774	.007799	128.63	128.22
Japan 6-mo	.007766	.007791	128.77	128.36
Jordan dinar	1.5627	1.5649	.6399	.6390
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000345	.000345	2899.00	2899.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6135	.6095	1.6300	1.6407
Norway krne	.1698	.1698	5.8880	5.8900
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.56	21.56
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	433,400	433,400
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007565	.007520	132.19	132.98
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5857	.5833	1.7075	1.7144
S.Africa rand	.3963	.3950	2.5263	2.5319
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010526	.010537	95.00	94.90
Sweden krona	.1778	.1778	5.6230	5.6245
Switzrl franc	.7740	.7806	1.2920	1.2810
Switzrl 1-mo	.7740	.7806	1.2920	1.2810
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7738	.7805	1.2923	1.2813
Switzrl 6-mo	.7724	.7798	1.2947	1.2824
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0373	26.77	26.79
Turkey lira	.000365	.000367	2737.00	2723.00
UAE dirham	.2726	.2731	3.6680	3.6610
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0204	.0204	48.97	49.02
Germany mark	.6568	.6598	1.5225	1.5155
Germany 1-mo	.6566	.6597	1.5231	1.5158
Germany 3-mo	.6557	.6589	1.5251	1.5176
Germany 6-mo	.6544	.6575	1.5281	1.5210
Yugosl dinar	.0965	.0961	10.36	10.41

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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(OCT. 29) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago

Federal funds rate	9.87	7.97	8.75
91-day Treasury bills	7.39	7.37	7.75
182-day Treasury bills	7.48	7.48	7.58
1-year Treasury bills	7.47	7.43	7.34
3-year Treasury notes	7.97	7.95	7.91
7-year Treasury notes	8.54	8.49	7.92
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.84	8.77	7.92
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.35	9.25	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.92	9.85	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.24	9.18	8.94
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.46	9.40	8.95
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.55	9.48	9.15
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.51	9.46	9.14

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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(OCT. 29) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	11	6	20
New lows	176	141	108

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	481	38,989,000
Declines	1,032	83,778,000
Unchanged	452	11,213,000
Total	1,965	133,980,000

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#90302u1900 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 29) UPI - A woman who battered her lesbian lover was sentenced to three years' probation Monday in the first case involving a homosexual couple in which prosecutors won a conviction after presenting evidence of ''battered woman syndrome.''

The defendant, Sherry Sperling, 25, was also ordered by Municipal Court Judge Veronica Simmons McBeth to enroll in a batterer's treatment program and

provide proof of enrollment by Nov. 27. Sperling was given credit for 33 days she spent in jail following her Sept. 15 arrest.

She was convicted Friday by a Municipal Court jury of one count of misdemeanor battery.

The charge stemmed from a Sept. 13 incident in which Sperling repeatedly struck her lover - blackening both of her eyes and leaving bruises on her body - during an attack at their home.

The victim reported the incident to police, but after reconciling with Sperling, recanted her account of how she was injured.

But prosecutors pressed their case, with Deputy City Attorney Angela West calling an expert to the witness stand to testify on battered woman syndrome.

Typically, the syndrome is an emotional response in which the victim of domestic violence comes to feel that she is responsible for the violence and that the batterer's reasons for hitting her are justified, said Deputy City Attorney Alana Bowman, who heads the City Attorney's domestic violence unit.

Consequently, a victim comes to believe the batterer's version of the crime and refuses to cooperate with the prosecution in order to protect the batterer Bowman said.

''The accepted tactic in domestic violence cases involving heterosexual relationships is to bring in an expert to testify about BWS and how it may be helpful in understanding why a victim initially reports an incident to police and then later is unwilling to assist in the prosecution,'' said City Attorney James Hahn.

''We decided to use the same tactic in this case, even though it had never been successfully done in the prosecution of a lesbian batterer, because the victim was recanting in a manner identical to the pattern we experience in hetrosexual cases,'' he said.

The expert witness called to testify was Dr. Valerie Coleman, who is employed at the Gay and Lesbian Community Center to counsel lesbian batterers and their victims.

The judge initially resisted the introduction of battered woman syndrome as evidence, saying she was not convinced that it had been established as applicable to a lesbian relationship. However, after lengthy questioning of Dr. Coleman, who has done extensive research on the topic, she permitted the testimony.

Coleman testified about the similarities between hetrosexual and homosexual relationships and how battered woman syndrome is a dynamic present in lesbian

domestic violence.

Jurors told West after the conviction that they would not have voted for guilt without Coleman's testimony, Hahn said.

Hahn said the case was the nation's first conviction of a lesbian batterer in which prosecutors used testimony on battered woman syndrome as evidence.

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(OCT. 29) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 8
New lows 57

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	181	2,344,500
Declines	362	3,988,700
Unchanged	213	1,226,800
Total	756	7,560,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	335.42	330.34	330.80	off 3.56
Industrial	358.74	352.51	353.28	off 4.20
Finance	328.74	324.74	325.65	off 2.33
Insurance	387.95	382.65	382.86	off 4.38
Utility	460.37	452.72	453.84	off 4.84
Bank	243.33	238.16	238.16	off 4.47
Transport	381.67	376.04	376.39	off 1.94

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index 145.02 off 1.57
Industrial Index 139.77 off 1.67
NASDAQ-100 Index 343.51 off 4.91
(largest non-fin'cl)
Average price per share 7.51 off 0.07
Volume 72,484,000 shares
Advances 532

Declines	925
Unchanged	1,333
Total	2,790

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#90302u1915 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK (OCT. 29) UPI - Shoving the budget fiasco aside and plunging headlong into campaigning for Republicans, President Bush promised Monday to clear the air of what he called Democratic falsehoods in an attempt to minimize political fallout before next week's midterm elections.

The rancorous budget war finally over, a pact to trim the deficit in hand and virtually no one happy about it, Bush opened a final campaign drive to Nov. 6, which he promised would be a lively one.

Speaking to reporters after a top-dollar fund-raising stop in San Francisco, Bush clung to optimism for GOP prospects even as administration officials were admitting that damage had been done to the party by Bush's retreat on his 1988 pledge not to raise taxes.

Angry that Democrats had successfully painted him as more favorably disposed to the rich, Bush railed: ''The opposition party - I'm used to that kind of demagoguery. And so I'm out here now on the campaign trail laying it to rest.''

Of the truth behind who really are the ''taxers,'' Bush pledged to let Americans know that the Democrat-controlled Congress is the true culprit. ''I've got to get that in focus because they've been getting away with this 'tax the rich' class warfare - the kind of garbage that they always resurrect at election time,'' he said.

And as he did over the weekend, Bush brushed aside concerns the GOP would suffer the most from the budget talks and he hinted the new offensive in coming days would be a fierce one.

''We've been under constraints because I've been trying to get a deficit deal. Now I feel free, free to go out and take this message across the country,'' he said.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater announced details of a punishing campaign schedule for the president, beginning with a speech Tuesday to party faithful in Washington, and shifting into high gear Thursday with dozens of stops scheduled in more than seven states right up to Election Day.

Bush, besides taking on Democrats, took issue with his recent plunge in popularity, declaring, ''These polls don't mean anything. ... I don't live and die by these.''

''Let's see now how we do,'' he said. ''I'm going to be out there, working my heart out for Republican candidates who feel as I do.''

Bush didn't want to talk about his fall in the polls on Sunday when the latest one registered his lowest approval rating as president.

Nor did he care to discuss the warfare within his own party caused by the budget negotiations and threatening the coming elections where one- third of the Senate and the entire House must stand for re-election.

On Monday he was forced to defend his negotiators from speculation in the press that the White House might take the blame for the budget mess.

''I expect somebody will put the blame there, but listen, so what's new? I'm looking for victory and I'm looking to take this message across the country that this class warfare, tax the rich, is really an attack on the working men and women of this country,'' said Bush.

Over the weekend, Bush indicated GOP Party honcho Ed Rollins would not be fired. He authored a memo to congressional candidates under fire on the budget issue to feel free to run from the president.

And Republicans who abandoned the president by voting against a budget package that included a tax hike - House whip Newt Gingrich, R- Ga., and others - wouldn't be punished. ''I understand Republicans defecting from a package that they don't like,'' he said. ''I think that's history now but I have no rancor about it.''

In promising combat and dismissing the polls Monday, Bush added two new elements to his campaign battle plan.

He said he will hold the line on taxes - no more new ones - stressing that he had to do it for the good of the country, and said he would promote Republican candidacies, saying if there were more GOP members in Congress there would never have been a budget crisis.

With Bush having retreated on his stand against taxes no less than three times and some GOP candidates taking Rollins' advice, top admininstration officials acknowledge the budget mess has been costly to Bush.

''He cast some of his political capital for the benefit of the country,'' White House chief of staff John Sununu said Sunday.

But Sununu, the loyal lieutenant who the president backed fully on Monday, predicted Bush's showing in the polls was temporary.

In a Newsweek poll released Sunday, Bush earned the lowest approval rating of his presidency, with 48 percent of Americans approving of the way he was

handling his job.

In the same poll, only 19 percent said they trusted Bush most to set the course for the nation's economic policy, while 36 percent said they trusted congressional Democrats most and 21 percent trusted congressional Republicans most.

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DETROIT (OCT. 29) UPI - General Motors Corp. will temporarily idle workers at at least 11 North American vehicle assembly plants in November as it struggles to align production with a weaker U.S. car and truck market, an industry trade journal reported Monday. The temporary layoffs by the giant automaker will reduce car and light truck production by nearly 74,000 units, the story in Automotive News said.

But the weekly publication said production at several more GM vehicle plants may be halted, causing the giant automaker to reduce output by as much as 125,000 units during the fourth quarter, according to tentative plans. GM car plants to be closed starting Nov. 5 include its Bowling Green, Ky., Chevrolet Corvette plant, for one week.

Car plants to be idled for two weeks beginning Nov. 5 include those in Wilmington, Del. (Chevrolet Corsica/Beretta); Van Nuys, Calif. (Chevrolet Camaro/Pontiac Firebird); the GM Fairfax plant in Kansas City, Kan. (Pontiac Grand Prix); and Oklahoma City, Okla. plant (Buick Century, Oldmobile Ciera, Pontiac 6000). Truck assembly operations to be idled include plants in:

- Flint, Mich. (Chevrolet Blazer/GMC Jimmy) for four weeks starting Oct. 29.
- Lordstown, Oh., (Chevrolet/GMC large vans), for four weeks starting Nov. 5.
- Pontiac East plant in Pontiac, Mich. (Chevrolet/GMC large pickup trucks), for two weeks starting Nov. 5.
- Tarrytown, N.Y., (Chrevrolet, Pontiac, Oldsmobile minivans) for two weeks starting Nov. 5.
- Scarborough, Ontario (Chevrolet-GMC large vans), for three weeks starting Nov. 5.

GM may also close several more car and truck plants during November and December, including car plants in Baltimore; Linden, N.J.; Moraine, Ohio; and Wentzville, Mo.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Stocks closed broadly lower in very light trading Monday after an early rally was wiped out by a sharp rise in oil prices and concerns that slightly lower interest rates might not be enough to rescue the

economy.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which sank 48.02 Friday, lost 5.94 to close at 2430.20.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 1.47 to 165.24 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index lost 2.83 to 301.88. The price of an average share slid 25 cents.

Declines pounded advances, 1,031-481, among the 1,965 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to 133,980,000 shares, up slightly from the 130,190,640 shares traded Friday.

Prices opened higher, gaining strength from news that a budget agreement had been passed by both houses of Congress. But a sharp rise in oil prices sparked selling that wiped out the gains, and the Federal Reserve move to lower short-term interest rates slightly gave little comfort to investors, who worried that it might not be enough to help the economy recover.

The Dow had been up as much as 26 points but when oil prices rallied and held those gains, stocks fell into the minus column. Crude oil for December delivery closed up $1.67 to $34.68 a barrel. The oil market was boosted by the failure of the Soviet mission to Iraq to make any progress toward breaking the stalemate in the Middle East.

But analysts said that just as important in the market's undoing Monday was continued concern about the banking sector and fears about how effective in shoring up the economy the Fed's slight cut in short-term interest rates would be.

"We started out higher because the budget had been settled," said Kenneth Ducey, senior vice president of institutional trading at S.G. Warburg & Co. "Everyone thought it would lead to lower rates, which it did, and that was bullish, it would put more money into the system. But then investors began to feel it would take more than a little money to turn things around. Many have decided we're in a recession," Ducey said.

Ducey said program selling came in to the market at that point, dragging prices down before the Dow made a slight recovery near the close. While he said the sharp rise in oil played a part in the broad decline, he said it wasn't really the most important reason. "The banks were weak, and they control the economy. If they're in trouble we're all in trouble," he said.

On the trading floor, Southern was the most active issue in dividend-related trading, up 1/4 to 26 1/8. Unisys followed, up 1/8 to 2 3/8 after plunging Friday. It reported a $357 million loss for the third quarter last week.

Chase Manhattan was third, down 1/4 to 10 3/4. Other major banks extended

Friday's slide as well. Chemical Banking fell 5/8 to 10 5/8, Chase Manhattan lost 1/4 to 10 3/4, and Manufacturers Hanover skidded 1/2 to 16 1/2.

Among the blue chips, Philip Morris fell 3/4 to 45 7/8 in active trading, while AT&T was unchanged at 33 3/8, IBM fell 7/8 to 106, American Express dropped 3/4 to 17 7/8, and Merck fell 7/8 to 78 1/4.

Elsewhere, Merrill Lynch fell 7/8 to 16 3/4 after announcing a restructuring designed to keep costs under control.

Kansas Gas & Electric jumped 1 7/8 to 26 7/8 after agreeing to a $1 billion buyout by Kansas Power & Light, which lost 1 1/4 to 20 5/8.

And Chrysler lost 1/8 to 11. The No. 3 U.S. automaker reported a third-quarter loss of $214 million due to high marketing costs, a sluggish economy and a loss in minivan production. It was the company's second quarterly loss since 1982.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 168,617,180 shares, compared with 171,587,580 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices tumbled in light trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index lost 2.60 to 288.79. Declines led advances 363-180 among the 758 issues traded. The price of an average share dipped eight cents. Composite volume totaled 8,878,750 shares vs. 11,189,675 traded Friday.

Baldwin Technology Class A led the Amex issues, plummeting 1 7/8 to 4 1/8, almost a a third of its value, after reporting a 50 percent drop in earnings for its first quarter ending Sept. 30.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index slumped 3.55 to 330.81.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	92,230,000
Advances	654
Declines	1,136
Unchanged	2,434
Total	4,224

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#90302u1944 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 29) UPI - President Bush took a moment from his Republican campaign duties in California today to answer a firm ''NO'' when asked if he is preparing the nation for war in the Middle East. At the same time, Bush told reporters in San Francisco that he would have ''NO hesitancy at all'' to authorize military action against Iraq if Washington is provoked. The president repeated his position that Iraq must pull out of Kuwait as part of any acceptable settlement of the Gulf crisis.

The standoff with Iraq will be the topic of discussion in Washington tomorrow when Bush meets with congressional leaders, Defense Secretary Cheney and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Colin Powell. On the table is deployment of additional U-S troops in the Saudi Arabian desert as well as the president's responsibility under the War Powers Act to notify Congress of any military confrontation.

A student at Charlestown, Indiana, High School describes 18-year-old Eli Dean as a ''very good guy'' who ''wouldN'T hurt anybody.'' Indiana State Police say Dean is holding five students at gunpoint inside the school. Dean earlier released about 10 other students and then freed a woman described as his favorite teacher. Police say Dean has made NO demands so far. He reportedly was upset about being suspended from school twice during the last two weeks.

A new study by a Chicago management firm says corporate restructuring is NOT the cure-all corporations hoped it would be. The study looked at 27 corporations which cut anywhere from 400 workers to 27-hundred workers. It found that productivity, quality and general efficiency suffered. As one researcher put it- ''Initial cuts in payroll costs have been financially helpful, but we found that remaining managers are overworked and frustrated... and employees on all levels are often spread too thin to do an effective job.''

Jury selection began in Dallas today in the legal battle over who has the rights to sell the .38-caliber pistol used by Jack Ruby to kill Lee Harvey Oswald. The snub-nosed Colt Cobra which has been locked up for 20 years in a North Dallas bank vault. Estimates of its value range from 50-thousand to 125-thousand dollars. Ruby's brother says he wants to sell the weapon to pay off his brother's debts. But a Dallas lawyer named executor of the estate wants the right to do the same, and collect an executor's fee.

A hearing is scheduled Thursday in a lawsuit against the Republican governor of New Hampshire, who is being sued by a Democratic politician. State Representative Mary Chambers is trying to force incumbent Governor Judd Gregg to release state budget projections for the coming six-month period. Chambers says state law requires the projections be made public by October 1st... and that her written request for the figures has been denied. Gregg says he'll release the figures after the November election. Gregg says Chambers' suit is politically motivated and that she's trying to help his opponent.

It's probably a matter of opinion whether politicians ought to ''fall back''

or ''spring forward.'' And this year, Congress is completely split on the issue. According to The Congressional Record, the Senate adjourned at 2:17 a-m yesterday... and the House at 1:02 a-m, although there was only a 15-minute difference between the two adjournments. How come? Because the Senate time was recorded using Eastern Daylight Time while the House adjournment was noted officially as Eastern Standard Time.

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#90302u1959 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

CLEVELAND (OCT. 29) UPI - BP America Inc. said Monday it planned to lay off fewer than 100 staff employees at its corporate headquarters as part of a plan expected to call for decentralization of many of the energy company's business services. However, BP said that a number of corporate employees could be switched to its four operating divisions, which are also headquartered in Cleveland.

The U.S. subsidiary of British Petroleum Co., Ltd. outlined its plans at a hastily called afternoon news conference, following the publication of a story in Crain's Cleveland Business that the jobs of as many as 700 of the 900 corporate staff employees in Cleveland could be threatened by the company's planned restructuring.

Crain's story said James Ross, BP America's president and chief executive officer, confirmed during an interview last week that the giant multinational energy concern would soon implement a massive restructuring to trim its bureaucracy.

The story said "rumors swirling through" the company's Cleveland headquarters estimated up to 700 jobs would be eliminated and that most of the 900-member corporate staff would be either fired or reassigned to one of the company's four operating units.

When asked about the rumors of job losses, Ross said, "I'm not prepared to guess." But BP America spokesman George Jurkovich denied the rumors. "I am here to dispel two rumors - one, that we were going to release 700 employees on the street; the other was that we were leaving Cleveland. Not true on both counts," he said.

In August, British Petroleum began "Project 1990," to examine staffing levels and the structure of BP America's corporate headquarters. Jurkovich said the team's recommendation - to be presented to senior management in London Tuesday - was expected to include the decentralization of many business services to the businesses they support.

As a result, a number of employees at corporate staff will be transferred to business units - oil, exploration, chemicals, and nutrition. "The recommendations have not yet been presented," Jurkowich said. "So we cannot be

certain of final outcomes, but the range of cuts implied by careless reporting have clearly been highly exaggerated."

Some 2,600 people work for BP America in the Cleveland headquarters. About 900 are corporate employees and about 1,700 work for the four BP operating units also headquartered in the building.

In March, British Petroleum Co. Ltd, BP America's parent, announced the elimination of 1,150 jobs at its London headquarters. At the time, BP had 118,000 employees throughout the world.

In May 1987, British Petroleum paid $7.7 billion to buy the 44 percent stake in the Standard Oil Co. (Ohio) that it did not already own. The third-largest merger in U.S. history placed BP fourth among world oil companies behind Exxon Royal Dutch-Shell Group, and Mobil.

British Petroleum bought a 56 percent stake in the company - founded by John D. Rockefeller - in the early 1970s so Standard Oil could finance exploitation of its vast Prudhoe Bay crude oil holdings.

BP America is now in the final stages of changing the names of its 8,000 service stations in 26 states to the BP name. They previously were opererated under the Mobil name in the Northwest, Gulf in the Southeast, Boron in Michigan, Indiana, West Viriginia, and Pennsylvania, and Sohio in Ohio.

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#90302u1965 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 29) UPI - Congress chose to save money in the budget package by slashing Medicare payments to hospitals and doctors, slicing payments for cataract surgery and other ''overpriced'' procedures and increasing beneficiaries' premiums and deductibles.

But the Medicare package that finally took shape, as described Monday by number-crunching congressional staffers, also includes increases in Medicare spending for inner-city and rural hospitals, and hospital training for doctors and nurses.

Medicare's share of the $492 billion in overall governmental savings over the next five years is $44 billion.

Medicare is the federal government's health insurance program for Americans over 65. Medicaid, which will see savings of about $607 million by 1995, is the government's health insurance plan for the needy.

Of the $44 billion in Medicare reductions, $13.7 will be saved in Part A payments to hospitals and $14.2 billion will be saved in Part B payments to physicians. Also, $10.6 billion will be retrieved by increasing the monthly

premium for Part B gradually from $29.90 in 1991 to $46.10 in 1995 and by raising the deductible from $75 to $100.

The package cuts the amount hospitals get for services by $11 billion by 1995.

However, payments to inner-city and rural hospitals will be increased $2 billion by 1995. Also, hospital training for physicians and nurses will be increased by $480 million by 1995.

As for Part B, which is optional but purchased by more than 90 percent of Medicare beneficiaries, the biggest savings comes from cutting payments to doctors by $3 billion.

There is a list of about 245 procedures the government considers ''overpriced.'' Doctors performing these services will see reduced reimbursements, saving the government $2.4 billion by 1995. Some of these procedures include:

-Cataract surgeries, which account for about $1.8 billion annually in Medicare claims.

-Electrocardiograms, or EKGs, which account for about $683 million annually in Medicare claims. Under the plan, Medicare will continue to reimburse for an EKG but will not pay for an interpretation of the results.

-Coronary artery bypass surgeries, which now account for about $524 million annually.

-Colonoscopies, which account for about $402 million annually.

-Hip surgeries, which account for about $185 million annually.

Another $2.2 billion in savings will come from reduced payments for durable medical equipment. An example would be for seat-lift chairs. Medicare will pay for the mechanism to lift the chair but the program will not pay for the chair.

The package includes Medicare increases for physician services rendered in community and rural health centers, nurse practitioners in rural areas, nurse anesthetists, mental health services and for an osteoporosis drug, among others.

Congress also agreed to include consumer protection-type standards for ''medigap'' insurance, which senior citizens buy to fill in where Medicare coverage leaves off.

Also, health care facilities must inform patients of their own state's law concerning living wills.

Much of the savings in the Medicaid program involves prescription drugs. In general, drug manufacturers will not be able to charge the Medicaid program more for drugs than the price offered to others.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 29) UPI - Pennzoil Co. reported third quarter net income Monday of $25.4 million, or 66 cents a share, down 28 percent from $35.4 million, or 87 cents a share, in the same quarter a year ago. Quarterly revenues were $615.4 million, up from $542.3 million in third quarter 1989.

Pennzoil President James Pate said higher crude oil costs resulting from the Middle East crisis reduced operating income for the refinery segment. "Pennzoil's motor oil sales in the third quarter were at an all-time high," he said. "But we were unable to adjust product prices to fully recover the surge in crude costs."

Net income for the nine-month period was $63.8 million, or $1.62 a share, down 70 percent from $206 million, or $5.36 a share, in the same period a year ago. Included in the 1989 results was an after-tax gain of $86.8 million, or $2.39 a share, on the sale of Burlington Resources Inc. common stock. Nine-month revenues were $1.7 billion, down from $1.8 billion in 1989.

Improved oil revenues were offset by reduced gas revenues reflecting lower prices and sales volumes, Pate said. "In contrast to higher crude prices, natural gas prices and demand were down in the third quarter," he said. "Since Pennzoil is a major producer of natural gas, our earnings were negatively impacted by this situation. "However, natural gas prices and volumes are improving with seasonal demand.

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#90302u2015 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 416.41, off 1.12 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90302u2040 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 29) UPI - People plagued by heartburn can get relief simply by eating less at meals, a new study showed Monday.

And patients taking a commonly-prescribed heart medicine who suffer from the gassy problem might find relief with a simple change of medicine, another

report said.

The independent studies, presented at a meeting of the American College of Gastroenterology, showed heartburn is often tied to a relaxation of a muscle called the esophageal sphincter, which is located where the esophagus meets the stomach. When the muscle relaxes, stomach acid splashes into the esophagus and causes a burning sensation.

Richard McCallum, of the University of Virginia Health Science Center in Charlottesville, studied eight normal people and six with a history of gastrointestinal reflux - the medical term for heartburn.

McCallum measured the sphincter muscle pressure before and after the patients were fed ''large volume,'' 1,500-calorie meals.

All the patients suffered some heartburn. But the muscles of patients with a history of heartburn were found to relax more often than the others.

McCallum and his co-workers concluded that relaxation of the muscle is the main reason for heartburn after a large meal and that those with a history of hearburn are far more susceptible.

The second study, by Brad Gelzayd of the University of Michigan Medical Center in Ann Arbor, measured esophageal pressures and acid levels in five healthy volunteers before and after seven days of taking prescribed doses of nifedipine, a common calcium channel blocker used by people with heart disease.

The nifedipine produced a marked decrease in esophageal sphincter pressure and all five patients reported significantly increased episodes of heartburn.

Gelzayd suggested that heart patients taking calcium channel blockers and suffer from heartburn talk to their physicians about changing medication.

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#90302u2045 10/29/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, Poland (OCT. 29) UPI - Lech Walesa capitalized on his hero role as founder of the Solidarity union, while Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki tried to humanize his image as an effective but aloof leader Monday in the first presidential campaign statements televised in Poland.

Walesa, 47, and Mazowieki, 63, are the leading candidates among six men who want to be chosen Poland's first freely elected president since World War II in an election Nov. 25.

Each candidate was allocated eight minutes, 18 seconds to present a prepared statement. Walesa's was the slickest, blending footage showing him leading a huge Solidarity rally, his own statements and testimonials from supporters. He

even had a slogan, ''Walesa, Yes.''

''We have a free Poland, we have an independent Poland ... but it is not so good in this Poland. There is a lot of bitterness in this Poland, discontent.

''So I am asking, what is really going on? Where are the obstacles? I travel through Poland and look for the obstacles. I am looking for them because I want our future to be better,'' he said.

Walesa, an electrician at the Gdansk shipyard, is the sentimental favorite for having led the movement that forced out Poland's communist government last year.

He was, in large part, the creator of his own biggest opponent. Mazowiecki, a key Solidarity adviser for 10 years, was made prime minister at Walesa's suggestion. He received a 57 percent positive rating for his accomplishments in his first year in office, a new poll said.

Mazwiecki, a lawyer and journalist before he became a politician, confronted his own biggest problem in his spot.

''People say I am smiling too little. It is really so with me. I have never been able to adapt myself to those artificial smiles.''

In an attempt to belie his aloof image, Mazwiecki was shown kissing a baby in an autumn-painted park surrounding Belweder Palace, the presidential mansion, and visiting relatives.

Mazwiecki said he had to adjust to his role as prime minister, telling himself ''You can't do everything, but what you manage to do will remain, will be important, will have some weight, because this is an important historical period.''

He said he is seeking the presidency ''for the sake of continuity.''

Roman Bartosze, 44, is a Slawein farmer and leader of the Peasant Party.

''As a farmer I know that nothing happens by itself. I know that evil has to be pulled out by your own hands. Nobody will bring us freedom on a tray. It must be won and pulled out from the hands of the people who stole it,'' he said.

Wlodzimierz Cimoszewicz, 40, is a lawyer who runs his farm in eastern Kalinowka.

He compared Poland to a rumbling volcano, and said the country ''is being ruled by fear not hope.'' Poles are afraid they won't have enough money to take care of themselves and their families, they are afraid for the political

future of their state, of crime.

Poles must work together to ally those fears, he said.

Leszek Moczulski, 60, a Warsaw historian, apologized for being serious.

''I am sorry that I unlike others cannot smile at you. But Poland is a sad country, ... a country devoid of hope, with protests, confusion, it is a country where it is difficult to smile.''

He proposed a seven-point program to improve the nation's economy, judicial system and health care, and to punish the communists who ruled the country for 45 years.

Stanislaw Tyminski, 42, left Poland to live in Peru, then Canada. He said he has returned to his homeland ''with 20 years of growth in various countries from which I took the best, only the best.''

He said he want to put his experience to use as president of Poland.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	8.85	9.49
Anchor Fund Inv	13.88	17.73
Delaware Mutual	16.16	17.33
Fidelity Fund	15.60	15.60
Investors Mutual	10.36	10.90
Investors Stocks	17.23	18.13
Investors Select	8.27	8.71
IDS Equity Plus	8.39	8.83
MFS Growth Stock	7.58	8.17
Nicholas Income	3.05	3.05
United Accumulated	5.88	6.43
United Income	15.48	16.92
Vanguard Wellington	15.38	15.38

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IRVINE, Calif. (OCT. 29) UPI - Taco Bell, the nation's leading Mexican fast-food restaurant chain, announced a wide range of price cuts Monday coupled with a marketing strategy that groups menu items by price rather than by types of food.

The moves clearly show Taco Bell Corp. is trying to position itself as a low-price leader in the fast-food business, but a spokesman discounted the

possibility of a price war breaking out with competitors.

The 3,160-store chain, a unit of Purchase, N.Y.-based PepsiCo Inc., had already selectively discounted several items to the 59 cent range over the past two years.

Janet Lowder, a restaurant consultant in Los Angeles, said the discounting is a wise move by Taco Bell, as it comes amid slowing sales in the fast-food industry and economic uncertainty.

''I think it's a very good strategy to keep customers at a time when everyone is worried about the economy,'' Lowder said.

The new pricing approach arranges the Taco Bell menu into categories of 59 cents, 79 cents and 99 cents, with a few higher-priced specialty items, such as Mexican pizza at $1.99 and taco salad at $2.99.

Lowder pointed out that prices at many fast-food chains have increased steadily in recent years as the major players have attempted to lure in more patrons through expanded menus rather discounting.

''Some of the prices at chains have gone sky-high recently,'' Lowder said. ''You wind up paying prices like $8 for two people to have breakfast.''

Taco Bell, based in Irvine, has placed a total of 15 items into the less-than-a-dollar category, with the chain's flagship item - the taco - cut from 79 cents to 59 cents.

Other discounts include: nachos, from 89 cents to 79 cents; pintos and cheese, 79 cents to 59 cents; tostadas, 79 cents to 59 cents and Meximelt, 99 cents to 79 cents.

The new pricing, which was inaugurated Monday at all but 160 of the chain's stores, covers about two-thirds of the items on the Taco Bell menu.

Lowder said that Taco Bell has been performing well in recent years. A leading competitor, the Del Taco chain, ranks a distant second with about 340 outlets, mostly in California and Arizona.

Taco Bell's third-quarter profits of $52.3 million were up 29 percent over the year-ago quarter, and 1990 sales are expected to hit $2.6 billion, up more than 25 percent over last year's total.

Taco Bell spokesman Elliot Bloom said the discounting is unlikely to bring about a price war among fast-food operators.

''We're just trying to emphasize the kinds of concepts that fast-food started with in the 1950s, with Kentucky Fried Chicken and McDonald's - quality food,

convenience and a good price,'' Bloom said.

Bloom also said that the chain should be able to weather any potential recession. ''I think that we are very much recession-proof,'' he said.

The chain will expand to about 3,300 restaurants by the end of the year and another 150 to 200 outlets will open in 1991, Bloom said.

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#90302u2106 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
CORAL GABLES, Fla. (OCT. 29) UPI - Barnett Banks Inc. acquired the lease for the historic Biltmore Hotel Monday for $24 million in a bankruptcy proceeding and said it would move quickly to reopen the shuttered hotel.

Robert Stickler, a spokesman for Barnett in Jacksonville, Fla., said the purchase agreement was approved by a federal bankrupcty judge in Philadelphia presiding over the case of the previous leaseholder, Sovereign Group of Philadelphia.

The hotel closed its doors unexpectedly in July after Barnett, the major creditor, froze the hotel's operating funds.

The 275-room hotel, built in 1926 for $10 million, reopened in December 1986 but ran into financial problems almost immediately.

Sovereign Group, which filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in March, owed Barnett about $36 million, Stickler said.

The case was later converted to Chapter 7 liquidation. Stickler said Barnett's claim will be reduced to $12 million in exchange for the lease.

Barnett now plans to seek a buyer for the lease who will operate the hotel, Stickler said. The city of Coral Gables owns the hotel property. No such negotiations were underway, he said.

Asked if the hotel might re-open prior to a sale, Stickler said, ''It's an option. There are lots of options. We can't really say what were going to do.''

Stickler said ''most if not all'' litigation surrounding the case would be dropped as a result of the agreement approved Monday in bankruptcy court.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

Baseball

Cleveland's Sandy Alomar Jr., the first rookie catcher voted an All- Star Game starter, was selected Rookie of the Year by Baseball America magazine. Alomar batted .290 with 9 homers and 66 RBI.

Business

The Milwaukee Brewers, intent on building a $120 million stadium in time for the 1993 baseball season, have hired an international banking firm to advise on financing. The Brewers will pay for the stadium if the public provides the site and pays for roads and bridges. ... The city of Pittsburgh has lost $5.5 million the past six years operating Three Rivers Stadium. An audit shows the 20-year-old stadium would be profitable were it not for the $1.6 million annual cost to the city for a loan to the Pirates.

Hockey

The Toronto Maple Leafs, 1-10-1 and looking to reverse the worst start in their long history, named Tom Watt coach for the rest of the season. Watt, who joined Toronto this season as an assistant, replaces Doug Carpenter, who was fired Friday. ... Flyers goaltender Ron Hextall will be sidelined for between three and four weeks because of an injured knee. The injury came during Saturday night's 5-2 loss to the Islanders, his first game since he suffered a pulled groin Oct. 11. ... The USA Cup, a hockey tournament featuring teams from the United States, Canada, the Soviet Union and Sweden, will be held in Albany, N.Y., Dec. 27-30.

Law

NFL owners owe the players' retirement plan $29.4 million for missed payments and interest, a federal judge ruled in Baltimore. The NFL says the retirement plan was overfunded and plans to appeal. ... Mike Tyson's assault trial began in New York Monday and is expected to finish Tuesday. Sandra Miller is suing for $4.5 million, contending the former heavyweight champion fondled her and threatened to punch her at a Manhattan dance club nearly two years ago. Tyson claims the incident never happened.

Media

Phil Rizzuto, longtime broadcaster for the New York Yankees, will receive a lifetime achievement award in New York Nov. 29 from the American Sportscasters Association.

Rowing

Western European countries dominated lightweight heats in the morning and the Eastern Europeans almost swept the afternoon heavyweight events on the opening day of the World Rowing Championships at Lake Barrington, Australia. Alison

Townley and Kris Karlson of the United Sates easily won the second heat of the women's double scull.

Tennis

Jimmy Connors and Martina Navratilova will join Billie Jean King's TeamTennis league next summer. The two signed to play at least two years and said their involvement in a five-week season would not curtail their participation in regular tournaments. TeamTennis, entering its 11th season, begins after Wimbledon and concludes before the U.S. Open. A minimum of 10 teams will compete. ... Tim Mayotte, who has not won a tournament this year, twisted his right knee and lost to France's Thierry Champion, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4, in the first round of the $2 million Paris Open. ''At least now I get to look around the Louvre,'' he said. ... Jennifer Capriati, winner of her first pro tournament in the San Juan Open Sunday, has climbed into the No. 10 spot in the latest women's rankings. Steffi Graf is No. 1 for the 167th consecutive week, followed by Martina Navratilova, Monica Seles, Mary Joe Fernandez and Gabriela Sabatini.

Track and Field

The Athletics Congress, the U.S. governing body for track and field, will ask the International Amateur Athletic Federation to ease the qualifying standard for the men's marathon at next year's World Championships in Tokyo. The time was set at 2 hours, 14 minutes, a standard few U.S. runners can meet.

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(OCT. 29) UPI - President Bush addressed a Republican Party fund-raiser in Oklahoma City this afternoon after pressing the flesh for G-O-P candidates in San Francisco earlier today. Bush told reporters at a top-dollar affair in the California city by the bay that he's optimistic the party can overcome damage done by the budget fiasco in Washington. Bush again labeled the Democrats in Congress as the ''taxers.''

In Oklahoma City, Bush promised to clear the air of what he called Democratic falsehoods. And in a spirited speech for gubernatorial candidate Bill Price, a fired-up Bush revived a keystone of his 1988 presidential race... linking liberalism and Democrats with failed policies of the past.

Secretary of State Baker is refusing to rule out use of military force against Iraq in the Persian Gulf. Baker gave a toughly worded speech to the Los Angeles World Affairs Council saying, Iraq's President Saddam Hussein is ''hell-bent on revival of hot war.'' Baker heads for Saudi Arabia later this week and will also stop in several European capitals.

267 French citizens and 10 Greek nationals are on a freedom flight to Paris. Iraq's news agency says that number of French hostages left Saddam

International Airport aboard a chartered Iraqi Airways flight today. Baghdad Radio earlier reported 300 French nationals had left Bagdhad. The evacuation of the French was delayed when Iraq demanded Paris send medicine aboard the chartered plane. France complied with the request.

Radio Cairo says the jetliner also was delayed in Kuwait on its way to Baghdad because only 20 of an estimated 70 French hostages in Kuwait showed up to leave. Officials believe some Frenchmen may be in hiding in Kuwait and unaware of the airlift.

The U-N Security Council today voted to hold Iraq responsible for damage to Kuwaiti property and for human rights violations resulting from three-month occupation of the oil-rich emirate. 13 of the 15 Council members approved the resolutions, with Yemen and Cuba abstaining. They passed hours after Soviet President Gorbachev left Paris for Moscow calling the prospect of a gulf war unacceptable. Gorbachev says the Arab nations must find a solution to the standoff.

North Carolina officials say the bridge connecting Hatteras and Ocracoke islands to the mainland could be repaired by the end of the year. A storm last Friday tore a 370-foot section out of the span. The state transportation secretary and other administrators are awaiting a status report on repairing the bridge. The disruption forced hundreds of motorists to line up to use ferry service to the isolated islands.

It was hard to get around in parts of El Salvador today. Gasoline stations closed down and buses stopped running as operators staged a shutdown strike to demand higher profit margins and bigger transport subsidies. The head of the Bus Owners Association says about 90 percent of the buses in the capital of San Salvador were parked, stranding thousands of commuters. Gasoline station owners are threatening to extend the protest nationwide unless profit margins are extended from the current four to seven percent.

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SAN DIEGO, Calif. (OCT. 29) UPI - The U.S. economy is descending into something more serious than a cyclical downturn and ''obstacles of crisis proportions'' in the financial sector could slow recovery, a prominent economist said Monday.

Henry Kaufman, a former managing director of Salomon Brothers Inc. and now an independent consultant with his own firm, told a financial gathering that many investments except high-grade bonds were likely to lose value.

''Another business recession is starting,'' Kaufman told the Edison Electric Institute 1990 Financial Conference. He warned that ''it is dangerous to view the ... slide merely as a typical cyclical phenomenon.''

The downturn at hand ''promises to be highly atypical'' given the fragility of U.S. financial institutions, such as banks, which have lost shocking amounts on bad real estate loans, and debt-burdened corporations.

Present crises notwithstanding, Kaufman's inclination to seeing the gloomier side of things in the past earned him the sobriquet ''Dr. Doom.''

Kaufman said U.S. debt has mounted from 1.7 times the gross national product in 1980 to 2.4 times GNP in 1989. Some 27 percent of corporate bonds are rated as high-risk ''junk,'' vs. 13 percent in 1980. Commercial banks credit standings are in shreds and savings and loans have been decimated.

These and other serious problems present ''extraordinary financial obstacles'' to a U.S. business recovery, Kaufman said. They ''imply that considerable time will be needed for financial recuperation.''

''Now, no vibrancy can return to the economy without first putting in place a rehabilitated financial system,'' a step he said will take years of rebuilding eroded bank capital and skewed corporate balance sheets.

In the meantime the United States must recover from the downturn handicapped by an outsized federal budget deficit which means ''fiscal policy does not have the flexibility to be a stimulative force'' on the economy.

As U.S. government bond prices rise, long-term yields - market interest rates - could fall to 6.75 percent to 7.00 percent from around 8.75 percent now, reopening the traditional cycle of new investment and recovery, Kaufman said.

But that dramatic yield decline won't be seen until the European and Japanese economies falter, easing upward pressure on U.S. rates, he said. ''Hopefully, by the time these two countries are in retreat economically, the United States will be in the early stages of an economic recovery.''

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(OCT. 29) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Reverse stock Split				
Texscan Corp - 1-for-5				
Special				
Merrimac Industries	..	.20	12-17	12-7
Increased				

Amer Family Corp	Q	.09	12-3	11-16
Dauphin Deposit Corp	Q	.37	1-18	12-28
Myers (LE) Co	..	.03 3/4	11-30	11-15
Nationwide Health PI	Q	.49	12-7	11-15
Southern Calif Water	Q	.55	12-1	11-12
Usual				
Acme Electric Corp	Q	.08	12-3	11-12
Armstrong World Indus	Q	.29	12-1	11-9
Boeing Co	Q	.25	12-7	11-16
Foster Wheeler Corp	Q	.12 1/2	12-14	11-15
Intl Research & Devel	Q	.05	11-23	11-9
Louisiana-Pacific	Q	.27	11-30	11-15
Mead Corp	Q	.25	12-1	11-8
Merrimac Industries	S	.10	12-17	12-7
Philadelphia Suburban	Q	.25	12-1	11-13
Union Camp Corp	Q	.39	12-13	12-4

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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DETROIT (OCT. 29) UPI - Japanese carmaker Mitsubishi Motor Corp. may design and jointly build Chrysler Corp.'s next generation of Dodge Daytona autos at the two carmakers' Diamond-Star Motors Corp. joint venture plant in Normal, Ill.

Industry planners and market analysts who asked not to be identified said Monday a Mitsubishi-designed Daytona would most probably debut for mid-1992 or 1993.

Besides the Plymouth Laser and Eagle Talon already made at Diamond- Star, Chrysler depends on Mitsubishi for several of its vehicle lines, including the Colt and Vista subcompacts and a new sports car called the Dodge Stealth. All are made in Japan.

Sources said Chrysler is looking at a Mitsubishi-designed Daytona to relieve the burden on the No. 3 U.S. carmaker and its new-vehicle programs.

Those programs, for which Chrysler has earmarked $15.6 billion during the next five years, also include a small car ''P-PL'' project for mid- 1994, its LH mid-sized car program for 1993, and a C/Y luxury car program for the mid- to late 1990s.

Chrysler announced last week that along with Mitsubishi, it would jointly produce a new line of cars at the Diamond-Star plant, including a new two-door coupe, three-door sporty cars and a four-door sedan. No timetable or other

details were given.

That plant, incorporated in 1985, now makes the Mitsubishi Eclipse and Mirage and Eagle Summit, as well as the Laser and Talon. Production is now 680 cars a day, or 68 percent of its 1,000 unit-a-day capacity.

The Daytona is currently made, along with the Chrysler Lebaron, at Chrysler's St. Louis No. 1 plant in Fenton, Mo., now slated to permanently close May 24, 1991.

About 2,300 hourly and salaried workers are now employed at St. Louis No. 1, Chrysler spokesman Doug Nicoll said.

Nicoll only said that plans now call for Daytona production and an undetermined number of jobs to be transferred to Chrysler's Sterling Heights, Mich., plant by mid-1991, as the St. Louis No. 1 plant is closed.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 29) UPI - Troubled Orion Pictures, hit by a long string of box-office duds and a lowering of its debt rating, said Monday that it was seeking more funding from outside investors.

Orion, which is 70 percent owned by billionaire John Kluge, said that it had engaged investment bankers Salomon Brothers Inc. ''to assist the company in evaluating strategic alternatives including the securing of additional equity capital from interested domestic and international sources.''

Orion also said in the announcement that it would be seeking to secure such equity funding within six to nine months.

Orion has long been the subject of buyout speculation, but Kluge, who controls his stake through Metromedia Co., has continued to deny that the company is for sale. Earlier this month, he exercised an option to buy 4.3 million shares at $6 a share, a move that injected about $25 million into the company.

The company lost $2.5 million on revenues of $110 million in its most recent quarter ended Aug. 31 and is carrying more than $400 million in debt.

The studio, which was formed more than a decade ago by United Artists executives, has had a number of movies that were both commercial and critical successes, such as ''Bull Durham,'' ''Amadeus,'' ''Platoon'' and ''Throw Mama from the Train.''

But it has not had a major hit since ''Robocop'' two years ago. It had a disastrous 1989, with ''She-Devil'' and ''Great Balls of Fire'' bombing out, and its major movies this year - ''Robocop 2,'' ''Cadillac Man'' and ''Navy

SEALS'' - have not performed well at the box office.

Standard & Poor's rating agency said Monday that it was lowering its rating on Orion's $265 million of subordinated debt to single-B-minus from single-B, reflecting what it called ''increased debt levels and subpar earnings.''

S&P's said that debt levels had risen due to higher film production costs and the ''disappointing'' contributions from recent releases.

The rating agency also said that Orion has almost fully drawn down its bank credit line, but added that ''promising'' winter releases could improve cash flow in the near term.

The studio's next major release is ''Dances with Wolves,'' starring and directed by Kevin Costner, due to open Nov. 9. It will also debut ''Mermaids'' and Woody Allen's ''Alice'' before the year is out.

Entertainment analyst Steven Hill of Sutro & Co. in San Francisco said that he is uncertain whether Orion can attract any new investors, given its poor recent performance.

Hill noted that Orion has amortized costs and projected revenues in a manner that benefits earnings in the current period but depresses them on down the line.

But the nature of the business, with the potential for blockbuster hits, may help Orion in this case. ''There always seems to be someone who wants to invest in movies,'' Hill said.

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MIDLAND, Texas (OCT. 29) UPI - Parker & Parsley Petroleum Co. said Monday it won a federal jury award of $185 million resulting from litigation over oil well services instituted against Dresser Industries Inc., Baker Hughes Inc. and BJ Services USA Inc.

The award, delivered late Friday night in U.S. District Court in Midland and announced Monday, was given on behalf of the company's various non-publicly traded development drilling partnerships formed prior to 1988 in which Parker & Parsley is the managing general partner.

At least one appeal is planned.

Parker & Parsley said the award totaled $85 million in compensatory damages and $100 million in punitive damages.

If the verdict and the damage award hold up, Parker & Parsley said its

publicly traded partnership, Parker & Parsley Development Partners LP, ''will not benefit significantly.''

Rather, damages would benefit some 18,000 Parker & Parsley non- publicly traded partnership investors.

In its lawsuit, Parker & Parsley had charged Dallas-based Dresser and BJ-Titan a partnership formed by Dresser and Houston's Hughes Tool Co. and later Baker Hughes, had intentionally failed to provide materials and services paid for by Parker & Parsley. The companies then fraudulently concealed the shorting practice from Parker & Parsley, according to the suit.

The fraud charged by Parker & Parsley concerned the Midland area during 1983 through 1988, the company said.

In a separate announcement, Dresser said its legal counsel was ''shocked by the award and was reviewing appropriate actions.''

Baker Hughes, which put the amount of the damages against BJ Services at $124 million, promised to ''vigorously appeal the verdict.'' BJ Services was recently spun off by Baker Hughes.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 29) UPI - William French Smith, a longtime confidant of Ronald Reagan who served four years as attorney general of the United States, died Monday. He was 73.

Smith, who came to Washington with the new president in 1981, died of cancer, his spokeswoman, Myra Tankersley, said.

Through his tenure as the nation's chief law enforcement officer, the wealthy, white-haired Smith concentrated on getting more money for his department, beefing up federal efforts against drug trafficking and pursuing a policy with the Immigration and Naturalization Service to bring the nation's borders under control.

But he also altered some Justice Department policies more sharply than any other attorney general, moving the department in controversial new directions in crime fighting, civil rights and antitrust enforcement.

The most controversial aspects of his tenure were attempts by the Justice Department to bring policies on civil rights, abortion and women's issues more into line with Reagan's conservative views.

He emphasized judicial restraint, noting that he had used his office as a kind of ''minibully pulpit'' in an effort to talk the courts into practicing a less

activist social and political role.

Smith once commented that ''we have had the courage'' to challenge approaches to civil rights enforcement that had proven ineffective and to substitute better approaches.

Smith resigned from office in January 1984, saying he wanted to return to his private law practice and help Reagan's re-election campaign.

But his departure from public life was delayed for months while a special prosecutor investigated and subsequently cleared Edwin Meese, the man nominated to succeed him, of allegations he got financial help from friends who got government jobs.

Smith said he would stay in office until a successor was confirmed.

After leaving office, Smith rejoined the law firm of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher in Los Angeles. He also served on the boards of major corporations and was named chairman of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library Foundation.

While Smith was known for a low-key corporate lawyer image who never appeared quite comfortable with the press, he also ran into controversy over some of his personal affairs.

Controversy arose over disclosures about his investments in two oil and gas drilling tax shelters and his acceptance of a $50,000 severance payment when he left the board of directors of Jorgensen Steel Co. shortly before taking office.

Smith diffused those attacks by returning the severance check and limiting his tax deductions from the shelters to the amount of his actual cash investment.

Smith also drew fire for his foreign trips, which cost more than $1 million in taxpayers' money. His 1982 trip around-the-world with his wife, Jean, and an entourage of aides, alone cost more than $700,000. Smith said the trips were necessary to convince foreign governments that the United States was serious about cracking down on drug trafficking.

Under Smith's direction, the Justice Department implemented often controversial civil rights policies, tried new antitrust policies favoring business and worked toward major reforms of immigration and criminal law.

Smith enraged civil rights organizations by opposing mandatory busing for school desegregation and hiring quotas for employment discrimination - changes in direction endorsed by Reagan.

Smith played a key role in the selection process that led to the appointment of Sandra Day O'Connor as the first woman on the Supreme Court.

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#90302u2255 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 29) UPI - Saddam Hussein is NOT taking kindly to an unflattering comparision by President Bush, likening the Iraqi leader to Hitler. Saddam said in an interview that Bush may be closing the door on dialogue to end the Persian Gulf crisis with such statements. On another issue, Saddam describes as ''deep and very useful'' talks this weekend with a Soviet envoy in Baghdad.
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While diplomats talk about the standoff, Persian Gulf oil producing nations are spending money. A Gulf-nation official says in a report issued today that gulf nations are spending at an annual rate of 18- BILLION dollars to support the multi-national military force created to deter further agression by Iraq. In Washington, the Pentagon says Gulf nations have so far committed six-BILLION dollars to the effort through the end of the year.

A standoff involving a teenager holding five students hostage continues this evening in Charlestown, Indiana. Police are trying to persuade Eli Dean... who earlier held about 15 students... to release his remaining captives. The youth is armed with a pistol, believed to be a .44-caliber revolver taken from his stepfather's room. The youth was recently suspended from school for pranks.

President Bush says he wants to clear the air of what he calls Democratic falsehoods before election's next week. Bush is trying to minimize the political fallout from the drawn-out budget fiasco so that Republican candidates doN'T take a beating at the polls. Bush today traveled to Oklahoma to speak for that state's G-O-P governor hopeful. Bush has scheduled dozens of stops in seven states leading up to Election Day.

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#90302u2268 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 29) UPI - A woman was sentenced to three years' probation today in a first-of- its-kind case in Los Angeles. Sheery Sperling was convicted of battering her lesbian lover in a case that prosecutors pursued after the victim reconciled with Sperling and recanted her account of how she was injured. Sperling was charged with repeatedly striking her lover during an attack at their home last month.

Researchers say there is relief for heartburn that does NOT come in a bottle. A University of Virginia study found that people plagued by heartburn may try eating less. Researchers say heartburn is often tied to a muscle where the esophagus meets the stomach. When the muscle relaxes, stomach acid splashes into the esophagus, causing a burning sensation. Researchers found people with a history of heartburn had that muscle relax more after consuming a big meal.

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#90302u2272 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 29) UPI - A Utah federal jury has ruled a Salt Lake City investor gained $328,000 from insider trading in American Stores Co.'s efforts to acquire California-based Lucky Stores Inc., the Securities and Exchange Commission said Monday.

The SEC filed a civil complaint May 31, 1989, against Gerald C. Hellberg. Investigators claimed Hellberg and his son, David, violated the Securities Exchange Act in connection with his options investment in Lucky Stores.

The suspect's son was an American Stores financial analyst, the SEC said, and ''had knowledge of the planned tender offer'' before his father bought $15,000 in Lucky Stores stock options.

The options were purchased March 16-18, 1988, and American Stores announced the Lucky Stores tender offer March 22, investigators said. Lucky's common stock jumped from $31 a share to $45.

''Hellberg realized a $328,000 profit on the options,'' the SEC said, adding he did not have an ''economically reasonable basis for buying the options other than possession of inside information.''

U.S. District Court Judge Aldon Anderson now will decide the extent of any penalty Hellberg will pay.

His son agreed to an out-of-court settlement last January.

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#90302u2300 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
CHARLESTOWN, Ind. (OCT. 29) UPI - A teenager described as a ''good guy'' who ''wouldn't hurt anybody'' took a teacher and about 15 students hostage at gunpoint Monday in a high school classroom, gradually releasing his captives until the standoff ended more than eight hours later.

By midafternoon, Eli Dean, 18, who recently was suspended from school for pranks, had released all but five students from a classroom at Charlestown High School, and early in the evening released four more hostages, state police Sgt. Martin Jenkins said.

The siege ended about 7:30 p.m. EST when Dean surrendered and released the last student, he said.

The youth was armed with a pistol, believed to be a .44-caliber revolver taken from his stepfather's room, Jenkins said, but no shots were fired throughout the ordeal in Charlestown, a community of about 5, 500 people about 15 miles

north of Louisville, Ky.

Dean, twice suspended from the school in the last two weeks for setting off a fire alarm and breaking a window, went to the school to speak to Melody Money, 43, a teacher who had counseled him about previous trouble at the school, the state police sergeant said.

Dean walked into Money's classroom abut 11:10 a.m. and brandished the revolver in front of her and about 15 students, Jenkins said.

The suspect was persuaded to release most of his captives soon after the siege began, but state police could not give an exact count of the number of hostages were freed.

Dean continued holding six students and Money until about 2 p.m., when a freshman, Stacy Medelli, were allowed to leave, followed soon by the teacher, Jenkins said.

Dean made no demands throughout the standoff.

A fellow student, Amanda Garr, said she believed the young gunman was ''upset'' at the recent suspensions, but expressed astonishment at his reaction.

''Eli, to me, is the best guy anybody could ever ask for,'' Garr said. ''Something got in him and he's gone crazy about about. He's a very good guy. He wouldn't hurt anybody.''

Garr said she and other students at first thought there had been a bomb threat when the school was evacuated and a police SWAT team moved into place, but later ''we found out it was Eli and everybody started crying.''

The youth's parents and stepfather, Rocky Williams, were called to the school to help police negotiators. Williams said he belives Dean took his .44-caliber revolver from their home.

Dean's father, Robin Dean, is a weighmaster for the Indiana State Police.

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HIGHLAND PARK, Mich. (OCT. 29) UPI - Top negotiators for Chrysler Corp. and the United Auto Workers bargained Monday night toward a midnight expiration of their extended contract, but the union urged workers to remain on the job until told otherwise.

Chrysler's 67,000 U.S. hourly employees have been working since Sept. 15 under extension of a contract negotiated in 1988. On Friday, however, frustrated by

the slow pace of bargaining, the UAW told the No. 3 carmaker that pact would expire at 11:59 p.m. EST Monday.

This allows the UAW to authorize a company-wide walkout, or more likely, target specific Chrysler plants like its minivan plant in Fenton, Mo., if a tentative accord is not reached.

UAW spokesman Bob Barbee said bargainers were negotiating in subcommittee sessions all day, but that no central meetings had taken place by midevening.

Last week, the union scheduled a Thursday meeting in Detroit of its 100-member Chrysler Bargaining Council, an indication that it expected to have a tentative agreement in hand by Tuesday at the latest. The council must approve any agreement before workers vote on it.

The UAW is insisting that Chrysler follow the ''pattern'' agreement reached with industry leader General Motors Corp. last month, and at second-ranked Ford Motor Co. early this month.

Chrysler, which earlier Monday posted a third-quarter loss of $214 million or 95 cents a share - its second quarterly loss since 1982 - said it cannot afford the contracts reached at GM and Ford, which contain generous pension increases and job and income guarantee packages.

Instead, company negotiators said Chrysler needs special consideration to remain competitive, with one issue being pension costs. Chrysler has the highest ratio of retirees to active workers and the oldest workforce among the nation's Big Three automakers.

But late last week, Chrysler Canada signed a pact with the Canadian Auto Workers union in Toronto that follows the CAW contracts reached at the Canadian operations of GM and Ford. That fueled speculation that Chrysler would have to accept a similar deal on this side of the border.

But industry analyst Ronald Glantz, of Dean Witter Reynolds' San Francisco office, said Chrysler's latest losses ''call into question'' the UAW's insistence on matching the GM and Ford contracts.

Those losses were aggravated by high marketing costs, a sluggish economy and a loss in minivan production during the quarter ended Sept. 30.

Chrysler is the first of the nation's Big Three carmakers to report third-quarter earnings this week. Ford was expected to post earnings of between 60 cents and $1 a share, compared with $1.03 a share in the 1989 third quarter.

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#90302u2346 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (OCT. 29) UPI - Paramount Pictures said Monday ''The Godfather Part III'' will be released as planned on Christmas Day, despite widespread speculation that director Francis Ford Coppola would delay the release.

The studio was poised last week to push back the release date, which had originally been Nov. 21, to Easter. Many industry observers had expected it would be impossible for Coppola, who has often delayed other films, to agree to stop making changes in the final print.

Principal photography on the film, which has a running time of about two hours and 40 minutes, began last November in Rome.

''The Godfather Part III'' stars Al Pacino, Diane Keaton, Talia Shire, Eli Wallach and Joe Mantegna. The movie is set in 1979, 20 years after the events protrayed in ''The Godfather Part II.''

The two previous films, which debuted in 1972 and 1974, were both winners of the Academy Award for best picture and won nine Oscars between them.

All three movies are based on the best-seller by Mario Puzo, ''The Godfather.''

Coppola said in a statement, ''After one of the shortest and most intensive writing through post-production schedules in my career, I am satisfied and proud that 'The Godfather Part III' has come together as a true successor of the first two films.''

The movie is set to open in about 1,800 theaters for a minimum 12- week run.

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#90302u2354 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (OCT. 30) UPI - One-time high-flyer L.A. Gear Inc., hit hard in recent months by slow sales of new styles, said Monday it will debut a line of ''high technology'' sneakers next year.

The new line features a polyurethane sole the company sats is longer- lasting, cheaper and stronger than conventional rubber soles. The new material is also recyclable, the company said.

L.A. Gear, the nation's third-largest atheltic shoe producer after Nike Inc. and Reebok International Ltd., said the new technology will first be implemented on the company's new Catapult basketball shoe line, featuring Utah Jazz star Karl ''The Mailman'' Malone.

The company said the new polyurethane compound, produced by UTI Chemicals Inc. of Irvine, Calif., represents a capital investment of one-tenth the cost of rubber. It also said the compound, called Z-thane, can be shredded and

recycled for other applications, while it is difficult to do so with rubber.

L.A. Gear also said the new compound is four times stronger than the rubber used for automobile tires.

The company, which made its reputation by selling flashy sneakers to teenage girls, said that Z-thane can be used to produce soles in ''a vast array of vibrant hues.''

L.A. Gear's stock, which was trading above $50 a share five months ago, has been hammered since then by two consecutive quarters of earnings declines, despite sharply increased sales. Its Michael Jackson line of shoes has not been selling well.

L.A. Gear stock closed down 50 cents Monday at $11.875 a share on the New York Stock Exchange.

For the nine months ended Aug. 31, L.A. Gear earned $38.4 million, or $1.91 a share, off from earnings of $43.4 million, or $2.47 a share. Sales were $712.9 million, up from $450.7 million.

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(OCT. 30) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	10	3	0	20	55	30
New Jersey	8	3	1	17	50	38
Philadelphia	6	5	0	12	42	40
Washington	6	7	0	12	41	44
Pittsburgh	5	6	1	11	55	51
NY Islanders	3	8	0	6	30	50

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	6	4	1	13	36	41
Montreal	6	6	1	13	42	44
Hartford	4	6	2	10	30	40
Quebec	3	7	3	9	38	53
Buffalo	3	5	3	9	36	36

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA

Detroit	6	3	4	16	51	45
Chicago	8	5	0	16	43	32
St. Louis	7	3	1	15	40	33
Minnesota	2	7	3	7	31	47
Toronto	1	10	1	3	29	57
SMYTHE DIVISION						
Los Angeles	8	2	1	17	53	32
Calgary	8	4	0	16	52	36
Vancouver	6	5	0	12	37	38
Winnipeg	4	7	1	9	41	42
Edmonton	2	6	2	6	29	31

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(OCT. 30) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Quebec	0	0	0-0
NY Rangers	2	1	2-5

First period-1, NY Rangers, Sheppard 2 (Leetch, Nicholls) 8:08. 2, NY Rangers, Janssens 4 (Hull, King) 18:56.

Penalties-Broten, Que, 3:13; Hrkac, Que, 5:56; Sheppard, NYR 14:12; Cirella, Que, 19:25.

Second period-3, NY Rangers, Leetch 4 (Gartner, Nicholls), pp, 0:16.

Penalties-Patrick, NYR, 1:28; Leschyshyn, Que, 6:23; Leschyshyn, Que, 11:28; Janssens, NYR, double minor, 11:28; McKegney, Que, 12:12; Wolanin, Que, 14:13; Kimble, Que, double minor, major (fighting) 16:52; Janssens, NYR, major (fighting), game misconduct, 16:52; King, NYR, 16:52.

Third period-4 NY Rangers, Miller 3 (Ogrodnick, Moller), 7:17. 5 NY Rangers, Mullen 6 (Patrick, Miller), 9:27.

Penalties-Leetch, NYR, 1:42.

Shots on goal-Quebec 9-8-5-22. NY Rangers 9-13-17-39.

Power-play conversions-Quebec 4-0. NY Rangers 7-1.

Goalies-Quebec, Tanner, Tugnutt (2nd per). NY Rangers, Vanbiesbrouck. A-14,971.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

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#90302u2513 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 29) UPI - Iowa Senator Charles Grassley says the government was so desperate to identify remains during the Vietnam War that empty caskets were called remains and given full military honors. The Republican lawmaker pressed for an inquiry, with Senate staff investigators releasing their initial findings today. They found U-S prisoners of war were held in Vietnam after the U-S government claimed there were NONE... and some are likely still alive.

More of Iraq's so-called foreign ''guests'' left Bahgdad today. An Iraqi Airways jetliner carrying 263 French nationals... as well as nine Greek and four British hostages... arrived in Paris tonight. The group included six French diplomats who'd been keeping the French Embassy in Kuwait City open. NONEtheless, Foreign Ministry officials say the French mission in the occupied Persian Gulf emirate will officially remain open.

President Bush is back in Washington, where he'll continue efforts at rallying Republicans in a speech to party faithful tomorrow. Bush returned to the capital after a day of stumping for G-O-P candidates in California and Oklahoma. A fired-up Bush told a fund-raiser in Oklahoma that he is tired of having liberal Democrats- in his words- ''blame me for their failures.''

A student suspended from high school for pranks disrupted school in a more serious manner today in Charlestown, Indiana. Police say 18-year- old Eli Dean held a teacher and about 15 students at gunpoint. The hostages were gradually released throughout the day, with Dean surrendering this evening... more than eight hours after the espisode began. NO shots were fired throughout the ordeal in the town about 15 miles north of Louisville, Kentucky.

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#90302u2531 10/29/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 29) UPI - Americans spent more than 370-Million dollars on diet drugs and related products last year. But the money may be doing more to line the pockets of the drugs' makers than it is in helping people lose weight. The Food and Drug Administration is moving to ban more than 100 ingredients in over-the-counter diet pills. The F-D-A says there is NO proof the pills work and one ingredient may even cause choking.

Mexican authorities are negotiating with a group holding a German diplomat hostage at the German consulate in a town 170 miles southeast of Mexico City. The diplomat was taken hostage today by members of a group demanding the release of the political leader, jailed in the slayings of two security guards at a Mexico City newspaper in April.

The governor's race in Texas is NOT just a heated one... it's consuming a lot of money. Campaign finance reports filed today show spending in the race has set a new state record- topping the 30-Million- dollar mark. The figure breaks

the previous 19-Million dollars spent during the 1982 gubernatorial campaign. This year, G-O-P nominee Clayton Williams has spent about 20-Million... while Democrat Ann Richards has spent about 11-Million dollars.

Officials in Philadelphia say Independence Hall's leaky roof will be fixed... thanks to the more than 650-thousand dollars in emergency funds approved by Congress last weekend. But they say the money ISN'T enough to reopen eight other buildings shut down for the winter at Independence National Historical Park. The park is one of the nation's top tourist destinations.

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COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Literal Corp. announces price cuts up to 43 percent on its WORM (Write Once, Read Many) optical disk subsystems and media.

Its massive-capacity internal-mount 1280 ISi 525GB Optical disk Subsystem for IBM PC, AT or compatible (including 386 and 486) systems -- complete with drive, ISA or MCA controller, WORM-TOS Plus software and cable -- is now available for $4,227 (single quantity; all prices suggested US resale at participating resellers; reseller inquiries are invited) -- just $3.30 per megabyte -- a savings of $1,761 over its former price of $5,988; an external-mount version with power supply, cabinet, drive, controller, cables and software is now $4,766, a $1,522 savings over its previous $6,288 price.

An external version with a SCSI interface is now $5,171, a $1,617 savings over its previous $6,788 price; the internal SCSI version is $5,355, a $1,133 savings over its $6,488 previous price.

The company is also cutting the price of SuperStore 2001 5-1/4-inch Certified Optical Storage Media. These single-sided 640 MB removable optical disk cartridges are now $99 (down $70 from $169); double-sided 1280 MB cartridges are now $199 (down $150 from $349). This is less than 16 cents per megabyte.

There is no magnetic component to these WORM optical disk media, so they can even be used safely in the presence of strong magnetic fields.

The Literal/ISi Gigabyte WORM offers remarkably high speed in addition to high capacity. It boasts an extraordinarily fast 6.5 Mbit/second data transfer rate; actual throughput rates are often faster than conventional hard disks.

It can read 20 MB in 40 seconds, write 40 MB of data in under two minutes. A fast multi-track buffer lets it keep pace with even the fastest 80386-based systems.

WORM-TOS Plus is available for DOS 3.x and 4.x and OS/2 Version 1.2; ISi also offers software compatible with DEC VMS, ULTRIX, UNIX, RSTS-11, RSX-11 and

RT-11.

Literal is a market leader in PC-compatible optical disk industry. It ranks third, worldwide, in its installed base of 5-1/4-inch WORM (Write Once, Read Many) optical disk systems.

For more information contact Literal Corp., 2180 Executive Circle, Colorado Springs, CO 80906; 719/579-0460.

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Scott Popovich, 719/579-0460

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PALM DESERT, CA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - StratAmerica Corp. announced it has selected Francorp Inc., Olympia Fields, Ill., to develop its franchise plan for the ''Field of Dreams'' baseball card and sports memorabilia business.

The ''Field of Dreams'' retail store is an upscale approach to sports collectibles designed for high-traffic shopping malls. Sam D. Battistone, StratAmerica's president said the ''Field of Dreams'' retail store has proven to be profitable and will serve as the prototype for expansion into multiple markets.

StratAmerica's subsidiary, Sports Archives Inc., has a license from MCA, Los Angeles, to use the name ''Field of Dreams'' in the sports memorabilia business.

The recent acquisition of the ''Field of Dreams'' baseball card and sports memorabilia retail store concept provides an unique opportunity to combine the company's professional sports and multi-unit operational expertise. StratAmerica previously owned the Utah Jazz Basketball Franchise of the National Basketball Association (NBA) and has multi-unit experience through its food service division and managements involvement in the development of an 1100 unit restaurant chain.

Presently several southern California regional shopping mall locations have been identified for new stores and leases are being negotiated for specific space for company owned and operated stores.

Francorp Inc., with offices in Chicago, New York and Los Angeles, is the nation's largest management consulting firm specializing in franchise development. Francorp has provided franchising assistance for more than 500 companies including: Valvoline, am/pm mini markets (ARCO), Kentucky Fried Chicken, Merle Harmon's Fan Fair and British Petroleum's Truckstops of America.

StratAmerica's stock is traded on the NASDAQ system in the over-the-counter

market with the symbol STCO.

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MENLO PARK, CA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Raynet Corp. announced Monday that Michael L. Bandler will join the firm as executive vice president, a new position.

Bandler is a corporate officer at Pacific Bell, where he has been vice president-network technology since 1982. A vocal advocate for modernizing the public network, Bandler will direct product management, marketing, sales, application engineering and customer service.

Bandler brings to Raynet an inside perspective on the needs and priorities of telephone companies. He also has broad expertise in network design and development strategies, having served on Bellcore's Network Council, an advisory group which coordinates the network planning of the seven regional Bell operating companies. At Pacific Bell, he led the introduction of new switching and cross-connect technology, as well as Signalling System 7.

Dr. Edward Davis, Raynet's president and chief executive officer, stated that, "As our company moves from technology trials to volume commercial shipments, Mike's unique understanding of our customers and his three decades of telephone company experience make him the ideal executive to ensure that Raynet meets the current and future needs of telephone companies."

Bandler cited the opportunity to shape emerging technologies and applications as a key reason for joining Raynet. "Bringing fiber into the local loop is the cutting edge in telecommunications and will accelerate our successful transition into the information age. I'm looking forward to helping Raynet develop systems that are responsive to customers' needs and make the potential of loop fiber a reality."

Bandler began his career in 1961 as an engineering assistant with the New York Telephone Co. By 1975, he was appointed chief engineer for New York City. In 1981, he transferred to AT&T to become a director of marketing and then moved to Pacific Bell in 1982.

Bandler is an executive who is involved both in his industry and in the educational community. He is past president of the Cornell Society of Engineers, the California Engineering Foundation, and the Bay Area Science Fair.

In addition, his present affiliations include the board and executive

committee of the Exchange Carriers Standards Association, chairman of the President's cabinet of California Polytechnic University, and membership on the Engineering Board of Visitors at the Davis Campus of the University of California.

Raynet Corp. develops and manufactures cost-effective, resource-sharing fiber optic telephone systems for the local loop. Raynet telephone and video systems are being adopted worldwide. Raynet is a subsidiary of Raychem Corp. (NYSE: RYC).

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LEAWOOD, KAN. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) has awarded a $500,000 research contract to Integrated Woodchem Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Interchem (N.A.) Industries Inc., to develop a waste wood to chemicals facility in New York state.

This one-year contract will fund site selection, engineering design and permitting for the plant development. Upon completion Integrated Woodchem will build a $25 million plant to convert 100,000 tons per year of waste sawdust and wood chips into valuable commodity chemicals.

These chemicals are currently being made from petroleum which is in increasing demand. In addition to the chemicals, this project will contain aquaculture systems and greenhouses which will produce fresh food.

Interchem has developed a unique process to convert the waste wood into energy and chemicals. The wood wastes are processed through a pyrolysis (high heat) unit. Oil vapors are formed which can be processed and sold directly as fuel oil or converted into chemicals. The remaining gases are burned to produce electricity. Processing of the resources in this manner creates an environmentally safe project.

Interchem (N.A.) Industries Inc. (OTC)(VSE:IID) is a publicly traded emerging growth company specializing in the environmentally clean production of commodity chemicals and energy from waste materials.

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Donna Johnson, 913/341-0300

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FREMONT, CALIF. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Netcor Inc., (NASDAQ:NTCRA) a manufacturer of network connection devices for Ethernet applications, announced Tuesday the financial results for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 in which it recorded revenue of $821,371 and a profit from operations of $1,136 compared to revenue of $256,426 and a loss from operations of $97,612 in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The improved results were attributed to revenues from its Giltronix subsidiary acquired in December 1989, from increased sales in its Ethernet market segment and from improved utilization of overhead resulting from its consolidation of operations with the Giltronix subsidiary.

The company reported a net loss of $34,934, or $0.007 per share in the most recent quarter compared to a net loss of $96,737, or $0.02 per share in the Sept. 30, 1989 period. The loss in the recent quarter was attributed, in part, to extremely high interest charges in connection with the Giltronix line of credit.

Interest expense in the quarter was $28,508 compared to interest income of $875 in the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1989.

Management expressed disappointment with both the revenue and profit results in the quarter. The reported revenue was lower than expected due to the failure to deliver production quantities of its new Ethernet repeater product. The delay was caused by the need to extend the testing period for the product in order to assure the elimination of any design problems.

Production quantities of the new product were delivered in October 1990. As a result, revenues in October were reported to have set a new record for the company and management expects to report stronger results in its second quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990.

Netcor, a NASDAQ listed company with approximately 5,200,000 shares outstanding, trades under the symbol NTCRA.

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Donald Winstead, 415/623-3700

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TACOMA WASH (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Weyerhaeuser Co. Chairman George H. Weyerhaeuser Tuesday announced the retirements of Robert L. Schuyler, executive vice president and chief financial officer, and Frederick R. Fosmire senior vice president for human resources, technology and engineering.

Both retirements are effective in 1991.

Weyerhaeuser also announced a change in the structure of the company's management. Weyerhaeuser and John W. Creighton Jr., president, will share a newly created Office of the Chief Executive.

''The office is being established to bring about an effective leadership transition at the top of Weyerhaeuser Co.,'' said Weyerhaeuser. ''It also will enable us to better take advantage of the opportunities arising from Refocusing.'' Refocusing is the company's 18-month effort to improve its financial performance.

Schuyler and Fosmire will provide counsel to the Office of the CEO until their formal retirements next year.

In addition, Creighton named his executive team, which will be in place by Jan. 1, 1991:

-- Charles W. Bingham, executive vice president, will continue to have responsibility for timberlands, forestry, raw materials and Westwood Shipping. His new responsibilities include the following corporate departments: Communications, Environmental Affairs and Energy, Government Affairs, and Law.
-- John H. Waechter, executive vice president, will continue to have operating accountability for all Weyerhaeuser pulp and paper businesses, including Personal Care Products.
--William C. Stivers, senior vice president and chief financial officer, will be responsible for the following departments: Controller, Information Systems, Investor Relations, Tax, and Treasurer. Stivers currently is vice president and treasurer. -- Steven R. Hill, senior vice president -- human resources, will have corporate responsibility for human resources, safety, health, labor relations, and a new management development and succession function. Hill currently is vice president, employee relations. -- Norman E. Johnson, senior vice president -- technology, will have responsibility for Weyerhaeuser's corporate research and development programs. Johnson currently is vice president, research and engineering.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - B & B Property Investment, Development and Management Co. Inc., adviser to California Real Estate Investment Trust (NYSE:CT), has advised U.S. Real Estate Advisers Inc. and the trustees of CalREIT that the sole shareholders of B & B, Jeffrey B. Berger and Joyce Berger, have terminated negotiations with U.S.R.E.A.

B & B had previously announced that the Bergers were negotiating to sell their shares in B & B to U.S.R.E.A., but that no final agreement had been reached.

Jeffrey Berger stated that B & B has determined that the proposed transaction would not be in B & B's best interests.

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Robert Mosher, 213/612-7800

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America's community reinvestment programs have been rated ''outstanding'' by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

''We're very pleased that the OCC recognized the quality and comprehensiveness of our CRA program,'' BankAmerica Chairman and CEO Richard M. Rosenberg said. ''We're proud of our CRA record, and intend to continue working with the community to make it even stronger in the years ahead.''

Bank of America is one of the first major U.S. banks to receive a public rating on its CRA programs under a new law that took effect July 1. The law requires that regulators make a comprehensive examination of a financial institution's compliance with the Community Reinvestment Act and then assign it one of four ratings: outstanding, satisfactory, in need of improvement, and substantial noncompliance.

Executive Vice President Donald Mullane, head of Corporate Community Development and the bank's chief CRA officer, said the rating reflects the strong partnership Bank of America has developed with community investment groups throughout California. ''Much of the credit for our CRA program goes to the many community groups that have helped us identify and understand the different types of economic needs that exist in California,'' Mullane said. ''Their hard work helped us develop programs and products to meet those needs.''

In 1989, Bank of America made a total of $354 million in CRA-related loans, including $231 million in mortgage loans in low-income census tracts, and over $15 million through B.A.S.I.C, a consumer credit line geared toward low-income individuals. Mullane noted that the ''outstanding'' rating ''doesn't mean we're satisfied with our CRA program. We think we can do an even better job by working harder and taking more creative approaches.'' In 1990, the bank introduced Neighborhood Advantage, which is expected to substantially increase the volume of home mortgage originations in low-income census tracts in California. Also in 1990, Bank of America established Bank of America State Bank, which is focusing on financing community development projects.

In addition to direct loan programs, the bank participates in a number of national and state community reinvestment groups, including the Local Initiatives Support Corporation, and the California Community Reinvestment

Corporation, of which it is a founding member and a major contributor.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Questar Corp. (NYSE:STR) Tuesday reported higher third quarter and nine-month earnings, reflecting primarily improved results from its oil and gas exploration and production activities.

The diversified energy company had net income of $1,655,000, or 9 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990 ended Sept. 30 compared with $782,000, or 1 cent per share, a year earlier. For the first nine months of this year, Questar earned $35,258,000, or $1.77 per share, compared with $33,685,000, or $1.71 per share, for the 1989 period.

There were 19.5 million average shares outstanding through Sept. 30 of this year and 19.3 million a year ago.

Questar's exploration and production operations increased their combined third quarter net income 81 percent from $2,089,000 in 1989 to $3,772,000 for the most recent quarter. Nine-month earnings were 55 percent higher, $11,259,000 in 1990 compared with $7,276,000 a year earlier.

A significant factor in the quarterly and year-to-date improvement was increased natural gas production from recently acquired properties and completed wells. The companies produced 10.8 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of gas in the first nine months of this year, a 38 percent increase over the comparable 1989 period.

The average sales price was flat at $1.86 per thousand cubic feet (Mcf). Other reasons for the improved exploration and production financial results were higher returns from gas-development drilling projects, lower amortization rates related to increased reserves and higher oil prices.

The average price of oil year to date was $18.29 per barrel, 10 percent above the year-earlier level. The higher price offset a 9 percent production drop due to the normal decline of older producing fields. The impact on net income of higher oil prices due to the Middle East crisis will occur largely in the fourth quarter.

In addition, the company has entered into an agreement to sell approximately 2,200 barrels of oil per day for a six-month period beginning Nov. 1, 1990, at an average price in excess of $35 per barrel.

Questar Telecom Inc. reported losses of $1.2 million for the first nine months of 1990 and $500,000 for the most recent quarter associated with commencing

specialized mobile radio operations in the western U.S.

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PUEBLO, CO (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - CF&I Steel Corp. (NASDAQ: CFIP) Tuesday announced that net sales for the third quarter 1990 were $67,300,000 compared with $77,592,000 reported in 1989. Net loss for the third quarter 1990 was $7,534,000, or $1.14 per common share compared with net loss of $492,000, or eight cents per common share, last year.

Net sales for the nine months 1990 were $216,491,000 compared with $224,415,000 in 1989. Net loss for the nine months 1990 was $16,606,000, or $2.51 per common share. The comparable nine months 1989 net loss was $5,197,000, or 79 cents per common share. Income tax benfits were not available to reduce 1990 or 1989 losses.

F.J. Yaklich Jr., president of CF&I Steel Corp., stated, "The decrease in third quarter sales from third quarter 1989 was due to a decline in the rail market as a result of reduced customer demand.

"Sales for the nine months 1990 compared to nine months 1989 are to decline in the rail market partially offset by increased Oil Country Tubular Goods (OCTG) volume reflecting a stronger OCTG market. The increased 1990 losses are primarily the result of the depressed rail market and softer pricing in the OCTG market."

CF&I Steel Corp. serves the transportation, petroleum, construction and agricultural industries with a wide variety of steel products.

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - First AmFed Corp. (NASDAQ:FAMF) Tuesday reported operating results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Morris Anderson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, announced that net interest income for the fourth quarter increased 11 percent, or $308 to $3,044 from $2,736 for the comparable quarter last year.

The increase was primarily the result of lower interest expense. Net income

for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $596, or 32 cents per share, as compared to $799 for the same quarter last year, a decrease of $203.

The decrease is mainly attributable to a gain on sale of investments in the prior year's fourth quarter of $285, $188 after tax, with no comparable gain for the same quarter this year and the establishment in the current fourth quarter of a $180 reserve for real estate losses on a local commercial development project.

The financial statements presented for the prior year have been restated to include the merger with Fayetteville First Federal Savings and Loan Association (''Fayetteville''), as a result, no earnings per share or average share data for the prior year are referenced because they would not be comparable to the current periods.

For the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported an increase of 15 percent, or $1,520 in net interest income over the same period of time a year ago. Net interest income for the comparable periods was $12,001 and $10,481, respectively.

Net income for fiscal 1990 was $2,821, or $1.53 per share vs. $3,035 for fiscal 1989, a decrease of $214. The largest contributing factor for the decrease was the $533, approximately $352 after tax, of merger related expenses incurred primarily during the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Total assets were $453,404, and $470,612 at Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively, a decrease of $17,208. The decrease is primarily attributable to the repayment of $29,080 in Federal Home Loan Bank advances during fiscal 1990.

''Even after incurring the merger expenses, First AmFed Corp.'s operations resulted in another profitable year enabling the company's board of directors to declare cash dividends totaling $1,485, or 80 cents per share,'' commented Anderson.

Anderson noted also that the company's financial statements and 10-K would be forthcoming.

First AmFed Corp.
Financial Highlights
(Dollar amounts in thousands except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Twelve Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Total interest income	$ 11,010	$ 11,536	$ 44,587	$ 44,207
Total interest expense	7,966	8,800	32,586	33,726
Net interest income after provision for				

loan losses	3,008	2,586	11,857	10,224
Total other income	19	494	938	1,696
Total other expenses	1,986	1,821	7,731	7,248
Merger expense	-	-	533	-
Income before taxes	1,041	1,259	4,531	4,672
Income tax	445	460	1,710	1,637
Net income	$ 596	$ 799	$ 2,821	$ 3,035
Net income per share	32 cents	/a	$1.53	/a
Average shares outstanding	1,856,727	/a	1,840,763	/a

	9/30/90	9/30/89
Total assets	$453,404	$470,612
Deposits	387,273	376,272
Loans receivable and mortgage-backed securities	373,823	385,888
Stockholders' equity	38,280	34,103
Stockholders' equity per share	$20.60	/a

(a) As a result of the merger with Fayetteville, per share and average share data is not presented as it is not considered meaningful.

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DALLAS (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Trammell Crow Real Estate Investors (NYSE:TCR) declared a cash distribution to shareholders of $.175 per share for the third quarter of 1990 ended Sept. 30, 1990, representing the sixth consecutive quarterly distribution of $.175 per share by the real estate investment trust.

The distribution is payable Nov. 16, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 9, 1990. It is presently estimated that the entire third quarter distribution will constitute a tax-free return of capital to shareholders.

Distributable cash for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $1,896,000 or $.209 per share, slightly increased from distributable cash for the previous quarter ended June 30, 1990 of $1,820,000 or $.201 per share.

Distributable cash for the comparable quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989 was $2,079,000 or $.229 per share. The decrease from the third quarter of 1989 to 1990 resulted from a slightly lower comparable occupancy level.

Distributable cash for the first nine months of 1990 was $5,573,000 or $.614

per share, compared with $7,610,000 or $.839 per share for the first nine months of 1989. The decrease in distributable cash resulted primarily from the effect in the current period of the expiration of the Trust's developers leases in mid-1989.

The Trust has identified various alternatives to maximize shareholder value and has been evaluating those alternatives. Existing economic conditions, both generally and in the real estate industry, combined with present conditions in the financial markets generally and restrictions arising out of the Trust's current capital structure, have thus far made it difficult to implement any of those alternatives.

The Trust, however, will continue to seek solutions to implementing those alternatives during the next several months. In any event, management intends to seek to continue to improve property performance through aggressive asset management.

Trammell Crow Real Estate Investors was formed in 1985, and acquired from Trammell Crow Co. entities 19 commercial real estate projects, consisting of 18 industrial properties located in California, Florida, Maryland, Minnesota, North Carolina, Texas, Washington, and Wisconsin, and one retail mall located in Colorado.

The Trust's investment objective is to maximize the total return to its shareholders through the leasing, management, and eventual disposition of its industrial and retail properties.

CONTACT: Trammell Crow Real Estate Investors, Dallas
Investor Relations, 214/979-5451

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#90303b0069 10/30/1990 ~Business Wire

ADA, OK (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Pre-Paid Legal Services Inc. (ASE:PPD) an Oklahoma corporation which merchandises, in 34 states, a contract enabling individuals to prepay the cost of certain legal services, Tuesday reported financial results for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reported a net loss of $930,000, or 9 cents per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, which included a $572,000, or 5 cents per share operating loss of an economic affiliate, compared to a net loss of $594,000, or 6 cents per share for the comparable period in 1989.

Total revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $19.3 million, a decrease of 27 percent from revenues of $26.6 million for the same period of 1989.

Net loss for the third quarter 1990 was $230,000, or 2 cents per share,

compared to a gain of $11,000, or 0 cent per share for the same period in 1989. Revenues for the third quarter 1990 were $6.1 million, compared to $8.4 million for the third quarter 1989.

The third quarter loss of $230,000 included a $142,000 loss of an economic affiliate, Sooner Web and Offset (''Sooner''), the company's former printing operation and non-recurring expenses relating to the settlement of certain litigation in the amount of $175,000.

Excluding these two items, the company operated at a profit for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported cash flow from operations of $3,027,000, representing an approximate 217 percent, or $2,071,000 increase in cash flow from operations for the similar period of 1989.

Additionally, the company achieved net reductions in debentures and notes payable of $2,344,000, compared to $1,351,000 for the comparable period of 1989, an approximate 73 percent increase in the amount of debt retired.

The company is not only able to meet all debt requirements but is also covering the cost of operations. As a result, the excess cash flow, after meeting debt requirements and cost of operations, should be sufficient to allow substantial growth and expansion in the future.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - First Nationwide Financial Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Ford Motor Co., Tuesday announced it has added $115 million to loan loss reserves, including a $92 million increase in general reserves.

The action reduced third-quarter net income by $69 million. The company said 1990 third-quarter earnings were a net loss of $44.6 million, compared with a net gain of $36.4 million a year earlier. For the first nine months of 1990, the company earned $32.6 million, compared with $44.8 million for the like period a year ago.

The company said apartment and commercial real estate loan delinquencies increased beginning early this year. The increases were primarily in

metropolitan New York. Delinquencies also increased in selected Southeastern locations and moderately in California.

The company said it has taken a number of steps to respond to market conditions, including adding to loss reserves beginning in the fourth quarter of 1989 and reducing commercial real estate lending.

''Given the present real estate climate, it's logical and prudent to increase our loan loss provision,'' said Robert E. Lackovic, First Nationwide's chairman and chief executive officer. ''First Nationwide's $17.4 billion real estate loan portfolio is diversified and well collateralized. Fundamental operations, including operating costs and net interest margins, continue to improve.''

The company also stated that its principal subsidiary, First Nationwide Bank, had recently completed a routine, concurrent examination of its operations by the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. The additions to the loan loss reserves, booked in the third quarter, reflect the result of this examination.

The company noted, however, that two accounting issues not resolved during the examination could adversely affect the bank's earnings and regulatory capital. One issue is the valuation of certain mortgage securities. The other issue involves contractually related intangibles resulting from FSLIC-assisted acquisitions in 1986-87.

The bank is discussing both of these issues with its regulators and exploring options to minimize the effects. The bank believes it will resolve these issues in the next three to nine months.

The company announced it expects to receive a capital contribution of $250 million from its parent Ford Motor Co. in November 1990. The contribution would be used to strengthen the capital base of First Nationwide Bank, the company's principal subsidiary.

All of the company's savings association subsidiaries exceed capital ratios required by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA).

Assets were $28.2 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $31.7 billion a year ago.

In addition to First Nationwide Bank, its principal subsidiary, First Nationwide Financial Corp. operates Columbia Savings, Denver; Pathway Financial F.A., Chicago; and Cardinal Federal Savings Bank, Cleveland.

Together, the company operates 263 retail branches in 11 states and 34 loan offices in nine states. First Nationwide is part of the Ford Financial

Services Group.

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TORONTO (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - JONPOL Explorations Ltd., PERREX Resources Inc., NORTHWAY Explorations Ltd. T & H Resources and CANE Corp. report on exploration results and plans for properties in the Vezza- Douay area, NW Quebec under option to TOTAL Energold Corp. and MORRISON Minerals Ltd.

TOTAL Energold and Morrison have completed a $450,000 exploration program of airborne EM, IP and diamond drilling on the 366 claims currently under option from the above companies. The claims are underlain by the same stratigraphy as the adjacent Vezza deposit (Agnico Eagle-Dundee-Palliser-North American Rare Metals) and the nearby Inco-Cambior-Vior discovery in Douay Township.

A new pyrite-arsenopyrite bearing alteration zone was intersected on the Jonpol-Perrex East property. On the NORTHWAY property hole 102 drilled on section 7+00W on the RJ zone returned .42 opt Au cut to 1 oz. over 11.8 feet (or 14.5 g/t (cut to 34 g/t) over 3.6 metres) and extends the RJ zone an additional 656 feet (or 200 metres) down plunge beyond hole 21 (.255 opt Au over 16.7 feet) or (8.74 g/t over 5.1 metres). A table showing all drill holes in the RJ zone completed to date can be obtained from the address below.

Elsewhere on the Northway property, sampling of existing core has delineated wide intervals of anomalous gold in the area of the South and East zones. Results include 169 feet (51.5 metres) grading .016 opt Au (544 ppb Au) and 74 feet (24 metres) grading .04 opt Au (1425 ppb Au).

Based on these initial positive results Total Energold and Morrison plan to immediately commence a second drill program which will include further drill testing of the sulfide alteration zone on the Jonpol-Perrex property and step-out drilling on the RJ zone.

Total Energold and Morrison hold an option to earn a 60 percent interest in the three properties comprising the project by spending an aggregate total of $4,250,000 and making payments of $870,000 prior to May 1, 1994.

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REDWOOD SHORES, CA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Oracle Corporation today announced preliminary performance results for ORACLE , its relational database management system (RDBMS), on Digital Equipment Corporation's new VAX 6000 Model 500 family of computers, announced on October 25, 1990.

''Digital's VAX 6000 Model 500 series offers users outstanding performance,'' said Nimish Mehta, vice president, Oracle Minicomputer Systems Group. ''We've already been able to run ORACLE performance tests on the VAX 6000 Model 500 computers over the past few weeks at Digital's engineering facility with extremely positive results. These tests demonstrate that the VAX ORACLE combination can provide a superior database engine to even the most demanding production system environments.''

''Digital is very excited about the introduction of the VAX 6000 Model 500 systems. Their capability and scalability result in significant price/performance gains,'' said William R. Demmer, Digital vice president, VAX VMS Systems and Servers. ''We are impressed with the combination of ORACLE and the VAX 6000 Model 500 and feel it provides a powerful solution to our mutual customers considering performance upgrades.''

In its preliminary performance results, ORACLE demonstrated superior scalability and overall performance throughout the full performance range of the VAX 6000 Model 500, achieving 168 transactions per second (tps) on the Model 560. Additionally, 39 tps were achieved on the single processor Model 510. In an effort to move away from TP1 methodology toward standard benchmarking methodology, significant enhancements were added to the TP1 methodology. These unaudited results are estimates of ORACLE's performance on the VAX 6000 Model 500, and are a strong indication of ORACLE's scalability on the new machine. Oracle Parallels Digital's Hardware Upgrade Program

In concert with Digital's 15 percent discount hardware upgrade program for the VAX 6000 Model 500, Oracle will offer a 15 percent discount off the standard upgrade price to its customers who upgrade their current VAX 6000 ORACLE licenses to the VAX 6000 Model 500. This offer is good from October 25, 1990 to January 25, 1991. ORACLE RDBMS pricing for the VAX 6000 Model 500 systems range from $114,000 to $213,000 depending on the model chosen. Upgrade cost varies depending on which VAX 6000 is being upgraded and to which Model 500.

Oracle is the largest independent software company in the Digital marketplace. The company has 41 percent marketshare on the VAX 6000 series according to Sentry Market Research, an independent market research firm. Digital/Oracle Sign Complementary Software House Agreement

In a related announcement, Digital and Oracle have signed a Complementary Software House (CSH) agreement for Oracle's accounting applications software families, Oracle Financials and Oracle Government Financials .

The CSH agreement supports Digital's strategy of working with third-party

software vendors to provide total solutions for DEC users. Oracle Financials are a complete suite of accounting applications, including general ledger, accounts payable, accounts receivable, fixed assets, purchasing, revenue accounting, and human resources.

''This agreement helps position Oracle Financials and Digital's VMS and RISC ULTRIX products as a strong solution in the move towards distributed accounting solutions,'' said Doug Collins, director of Oracle's DEC Strategic Accounts Organization.

The CSH agreement follows the May 23, 1990 announcement of Digital and Oracle's marketing agreement to jointly promote, market and sell Oracle Financials and Oracle Government Financials families of application software products on Digital's VAX VMS and RISC ULTRIX product families. About Oracle

Oracle Corporation, headquartered in Redwood Shores, Calif., is the largest supplier of DBMS software and the third-largest software and services company in the world.

Oracle develops and markets an integrated line of software products for database management, applications development, decision support and office automation, as well as families of financial and manufacturing applications packages. All Oracle products are available on PCs, minicomputers and mainframes, and ORACLE is the first and only database to run on supercomputers.

The company offers its products, along with related consulting, education and support services, in 92 countries around the world. Oracle is a publicly held corporation whose shares are traded on NASDAQ/NMS with ticker symbol ORCL.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Adobe Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ADBE) and IBM Corp. Tuesday announced that the new Version 1.3 of the OS/2 operating system incorporates Adobe Type Manager (ATM) software as a standard feature.

The integration of ATM software at the operating system level provides OS/2 users high-quality Adobe Type 1 fonts for screen displays and printed output, available transparently across different application programs.

IBM is the first computer company to offer ATM software as a standard feature in a personal computer operating system, the result of a co-development effort

between itself and Adobe Systems. Adobe's ATM utility provides PostScript language outline fonts that may be scaled (enlarged or reduced) to any point size.

Outline font software offer smoothness and legibility far superior to ordinary bitmapped fonts. In addition, scalable outline fonts require less disk storage space than multiple sizes of bitmap typefaces.

Adobe licenses ATM software to OEMs and software developers for inclusion in their products. The product is also available in retail versions. ATM for the Apple Macintosh was released in October 1989, and ATM for Windows in October 1990.

OS/2 Version 1.3 is a 16-bit operating system available in two editions, both including ATM software. The Standard Edition provides basic operating system features. The Extended Edition also includes relational Database Manager, network Communications Manager and Local Area Network Requestor facilities.

Version 1.3 provides improved performance in environments such as Local Area Networks. The new release requires less memory than its predecessor Version 1.2.

OS/2 Version 1.3 includes an extensive set of printer drivers, including a new PostScript language driver that allows the use of downloadable fonts. The new PostScript language driver can save output to either standard or encapsulated PostScript files. Encapsulated PostScript language is a file format that serves as an interchange standard for transferring PostScript language files between applications and hardware platforms.

Adobe Systems Inc., founded in 1982 by Dr. John Warnock and Dr. Charles Geschke, is headquartered in Mountain View. Adobe is the developer of PostScript, the industry-standard page description language for electronic printing and publishing, and Display PostScript, a device-independent graphics software component for computer displays.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF (OCT.30) BUSINESS WIRE - California Microwave Inc. (NASDAQ:CMIC) by action of its board of directors has appointed Michael L. Foster, vice president-financial planning, a corporate vice president.

Foster, 44, joined California Microwave in April 1979 as manager-corporate planning, was promoted to director-finance and planning in 1980 and to staff vice president in 1983. As vice president-financial planning, Foster is

responsible for California Microwave's treasury operations and business planning.

Prior to joining the company, Foster was with Watkins-Johnson, where he was the financial manager of one of the systems divisions.

Foster lives in Palo Alto, with his wife Cathie and son Matthew. He holds a master's of business administration from Stanford University.

California Microwave is a leading supplier of satellite communications earth stations and equipment. The company earned 80 cents a share on sales of $146 million for its most recent fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - IntelliCorp Inc. (NASDAQ:INAI) announced Tuesday at UNIX Expo in New York that it will make its PROKAPPA application software development and deployment systems available on the HP 9000 workstation family from Hewlett-Packard.

The PROKAPPA system is a powerful application development system written in the C programming language for UNIX, X Window system environments and runs under the OSF/Motif user interface.

PROKAPPA uses true object-oriented programming and rule-based reasoning capabilities to provide developers with the ability to build application solutions that represent real-world problems in a natural, graphically-oriented way.

The PROKAPPA development system provides application software developers with a variety of application development tools.

Using a technique called Descriptive Programming, developers can create the structure of applications using an intuitive point and click graphic interface and then describe specific functionality in either the familiar C programming language, the more powerful PROTALK language, or they can freely intermix the two languages.

The PROTALK language can be used to incorporate rule-based reasoning into applications.

The PROKAPPA system is used to deliver high-value business applications in areas such as scheduling, planning, diagnostics, network and distribution management and configuration.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $11.9 billion in its 1989 fiscal year.

IntelliCorp Inc. has provided industry-leading software development tools and advanced engineering and manufacturing application solutions for more than seven years. The company's customers span all industries, including financial services, automotive, aerospace, telecommunications, chemical, government, energy, manufacturing and engineering.

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GENEVA, SWITZERLAND (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Garuda Indonesia and Lufthansa have signed a wide-ranging cooperation agreement designed to strengthen passenger and cargo services between Indonesia and Germany.

Under the agreement, both airlines will be able to increase the number of flights between their two countries in 1993 and 1994 to seven times a week. Each carrier will also be allowed to serve third cities in the other's country.

The agreement was signed on Oct. 30 at the 46th Annual General Meeting of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) in Geneva by the president of Garuda Indonesia Moehamad Soeparno and the president of Lufthansa Heinz Ruhnau.

The new cooperation agreement on cargo comes in response to the continued growth in trade between Indonesia and Germany. It includes a cargo yield improvement program which has been undertaken by Lufthansa. A joint cargo market survey has already been carried out to determine the present and likely future development of airfreight potential of export commodities to Europe and other destinations.

In addition (in advance of the 1991 opening of a new Garuda Indonesia Cargo Centre at Cengkareng Airport in Jakarta) Garuda Indonesia cargo personnel will receive specialized training under the German government's Technical Assistance Program. Lufthansa will also provide a cargo consultant to

coordinate the functioning of the new cargo centre during its first year of operation.

Technical cooperation is also covered in the agreement to ensure Garuda Indonesia's preparedness for the introduction of its new Airbus aircraft in 1991/92. Garuda Indonesia's engineers will receive ''on-the-job'' training from Lufthansa to gain A300, B4 and D check experience.

This will be an important step towards the Garuda Maintenance Facility gaining German certification for Airbus maintenance in Jakarta. Lufthansa will also provide maintenance support which will include the repair and overhaul of B737 engines and spare parts on behalf of Garuda Indonesia.

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HONOLULU (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific International Services Corp., licensee for Dollar Rent A Car Hawaii and the Pacific, announced net income of $506,992, equivalent to 8 cents per share, on revenues of nearly $20,000,000 during the third quarter of 1990.

The results represent improvements over the similar quarter of 1989 when the company generated revenues of $18.1 million and a net loss of $347,218, or 6 cents per share. The third quarter earnings bring the total nine month net income for 1990 to $133,136, or 2 cents per share.

Alan M. Robin, president and chief executive officer, in reviewing the results for the third quarter, said he was pleased with the company's performance and added that ''the benefits of steps taken during the early part of 1990 to improve fleet utilization and efficiency have resulted in the best quarterly operating earnings in the past three years.

''The cost efficiencies in fleet utilization and operations are obviously in place and beginning to show the benefits we anticipated,'' Robin said. He did however caution that the current instability in world events and the slowdown in Hawaii's tourism growth rate will probably result in lower-than-projected revenues during the current fourth quarter business period.

Pacific International's Dollar Rent A Car franchise is the second largest car rental operation in Hawaii, with a fleet of approximately 6,000 vehicles.

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BEDMINSTER, NJ (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Shareholders of NUI Corp. (NYSE:NUI) Tuesday approved the previously announced proposal pursuant to which Pennsylvania Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ:PENT) and its wholly owned subsidiary, Pennsylvania Gas and Water Co. (PG&W) will be merged into NUI.

4,812,861 shares, or 77 percent of NUI's outstanding shares entitled to vote, were represented in person or by proxy at the meeting and 85 percent voted to approve the merger proposal. Only 102,496 shares, or 2 percent of the shares voting, voted against the transaction.

The consummation of the merger transactions is conditioned upon the receipt of regulatory approvals; PENT, PG&W and United Water Resources (UWR) stockholder approvals and certain other conditions. Holders of PENT's common stock will vote tomorrow, Oct. 31, on the merger agreement at their annual meeting of shareholders.

The date of the UWR shareholder meeting to consider the sale by PENT of its water operations to UWR will be announced as soon as UWR receives clearance of its proxy materials by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The merger agreement between NUI and PENT provides for stockholders of PENT to receive from NUI $52.05 for each share of PENT common stock. Forty percent of the aggregate purchase price will be payable in cash and the remaining 60 percent in shares of NUI common stock, valued at the average price over 20 trading days prior to the merger.

In no event will PENT stockholders receive more than 3.0 shares or fewer than 2.6 shares for each full share of PENT common stock exchanged for NUI common stock. Immediately following the merger of PENT into NUI, PG&W will be merged into NUI.

NUI shareholders also elected a board of ten directors and approved the appointment of Arthur Andersen & Co. as independent public accountants for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Following the annual meeting, NUI's board of directors declared the regular quarterly dividend of 39 cents per share on NUI's common stock to be paid on Dec. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 16, 1990.

NUI Corp., headquartered in Bedminster, N.J., is an exempt public utility holding company engaged in the distribution of natural gas to approximately 300,000 customers in New Jersey and Florida.

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NORWICH, CONN. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Norwich Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:NSSB) Tuesday reported a net loss for the third quarter of 1990 of $762,000, or 15 cents per share compared to net income of $1.1 million and 20 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989.

The loss for the third quarter was attributable to a provision for loan losses of $4.0 million which was partially offset by a Federal tax benefit of $1.7 million. Continued deterioration in economic conditions, particularly in the real estate sector, resulted in management's decision to charge-off $4.6 million of non-performing assets in the third quarter.

For the nine month period Sept. 30, 1990, the company incurred a net loss of of $14.3 million, or $2.75 per share compared to net income of $2.6 million, or 47 cents per share for the same period in 1989. The loss was the result of a provision for loan losses of $21.5 million compared to $4.5 million in the same period in 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was also affected negatively by a decrease in interest income of $3.1 million, or 6.1 percent.

Daniel R. Dennis Jr., chairman, president and chief executive officer stated, ''We are committed to maintaining an appropriate level of loan loss reserves, and will continue to monitor closely non-performing assets.'' Total non-performing assest increased $37.0 million, or 7.09 percent of total loans and foreclosed properties from $35.2 million, or 6.58 percent at June 30, 1990.

The company's ratio of allowance for loan losses to total non-performing assets was 50.8 percent as of Sept. 30, 1990 compared to 55.1 percent as of June 30, 1990. The reserve for loan losses at Sept. 30, 1990 was $18.8 million compared to $19.4 million at June 30, 1990.

An increase in non-accrual loans from $20.5 million at the end of the second quarter to $25.8 million at the end of the third quarter contributed to a decline in interest income and also net interest income since the cost of funds remained level between the second and third quarters.

Compared to the third quarter of 1989, interest income decreased by $1.7 million while the cost of funds decreased $600,000. The net interest margin (taxable equivalent) for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 equalled 3.13 percent compared to 3.27 percent for the second quarter of 1990 and 3.72 percent for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The company's capital position remained strong with a ratio of equity to assets of 11.26 percent as of Sept. 30, 1990 compared to 11.38 percent at June 30, 1990, and a regulatory primary capital ratio of 13.76 percent as of Sept.

30, 1990 compared to 13.88 percent at June 30, 1990, making Norwich Financial Corp. one of the most highly capitalized banking companies in the state.

Mr. Dennis said, ''These ratios are well above regulatory minimums. The company's high level of primary capital provides it with the capacity to absorb losses in the disposition of non-performing assets, while continuing to maintain a high level of financial strength.''

Compared to June 30, 1990, total assets decreased $19.2 million while deposits decreased $8.0 million. Total stockholders' equity was $3.0 million less than at June 30, 1990, because of the quarterly loss coupled with the decline in the value of marketable equity securities of $2.0 million. Book value per share equalled $14.03 as of Sept. 30, 1990.

The company also announced that the board of directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per share payable Nov. 28, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Nov. 14, 1990. Mr. Dennis stated that the board of directors will continue to review dividend policy in the context of the prevailing economic and regulatory environment as well as the company's level of non-performing assets.

Norwich Financial Corp. is a registered bank holding company whose principal subsidiary is The Norwich Savings Society, a $649 million FDIC-insured savings bank which operates 14 banking offices throughout eastern Connecticut.

Norwich Financial Corp. and Subsidiary
Consolidated Financial Highlights
(in thousands, except per share data)

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,		Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
EARNINGS				
Interest Income-(a)	$ 48,070	$ 51,169	$ 15,630	$ 17,316
Interest Expense	32,723	32,781	10,830	11,405
Net Interest Income-(a)	15,347	18,388	4,800	5,911
Net Income (Loss)	(14,301)	2,638	(762)	1,095
Earnings (Loss) Per Share	$(2.75)	47 cents	(15 cents)	20 cents
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	5,207,451	5,635,612	5,207,451	5,567,062
RATIOS (annualized)				
Return on Average Assets	-2.85%	0.52%	-0.46%	0.65%
Return on Average Equity	-23.39%	3.57%	-4.08%	4.49%
Average Equity to Average Assets	12.18%	14.52%	11.35%	14.40%
YIELD DATA (Taxable Equivalent- annualized)				
Net Interest Margin-(a)	3.29%	3.85%	3.13%	3.72%
Net Interest Spread-(a)	2.39%	2.57%	2.20%	2.41%

Loans-(a)	10.42%	10.75%	10.28%	10.94%
Investments	8.56%	9.06%	8.59%	8.99%
Average Earnings IAssets-(a)	10.15%	10.53%	9.97%	10.69%
Cost of Funds:				
Deposits	7.67%	7.79%	7.67%	8.11%
Borrowings	8.53%	9.12%	8.59%	9.26%
Total	7.76%	7.96%	7.77%	8.28%

OUTSTANDING BALANCES (in thousands, except per share data)

	As of Sept. 30, 1990	1989	Dec. 31, 1989
Total Assets	$ 648,638	$ 680,004	$ 682,326
Net Loans	492,251	562,639	536,531
Deposits	511,637	498,511	505,888
Total Borrowings	60,400	78,350	77,380
Stockholders' Equity	73,040	97,134	91,438
Stockholders' Equity To Total Assets	11.26%	14.28%	13.40%
Book Value Per Share	$ 14.03	$ 17.69	$ 17.56
Shares of Common Stock	5,207,451	5,490,551	5,207,451
Allowance for Possible Loan Losses to:			
Non-accrual loans	72.89%	29.06%	49.12%
Total non-performing assets	50.75%	27.67%	27.85%
Total loans and foreclosed properties	3.60%	0.85%	1.27%
Total Non-performing assets to: Total loans and Iforeclosed properties	7.09%	3.09%	4.54%
Total assets	5.71%	2.56%	3.69%

(a)-Includes Loan Fees

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DENVER (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Hallwood Energy Partners L.P., (AMEX:HEP) Tuesday announced a program for the sale of odd lot unit holdings.

Hallwood Consolidated Partners L.P., an affiliate of HEP, will offer to purchase the holdings of unitholders of HEP owning 99 or fewer units as of the record date of Nov. 5, 1990. The offer allows eligible unitholders to sell all, but not less than all, of their units without incurring any brokerage commissions. The offer will benefit HEP by reducing the annual unitholder servicing costs incurred for tax reporting and transfer agent related costs.

HCP will pay unitholders the average of the closing market price of HEP units from Nov. 8, 1990, to Dec. 7, 1990. The offer will expire on Dec. 7, 1990, unless extended, and payment will be made on or about Dec. 17, 1990. The offer is managed by Shareholder Communications Corp.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - EQK Green Acres, L.P. (NYSE:EGA) today (Tuesday, Oct. 30, 1990) reported its results of operations for the three months ended Sept. 30, showing net funds generated (cash flow) of $3.61 million or 35 cents per Unit and net income of $1.17 million or 12 cents per Unit.

For the same quarter in the previous year, net funds generated (cash flow) was $3.32 million or 32 cents per Unit and net income was $1.05 million or 10 cents per Unit.

Net funds generated (cash flow) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $10.50 million or $1.02 per Unit and net income for the same period was $3.32 million or 32 cents per Unit. Net funds generated (cash flow) during the first nine months of 1989 was $9.86 million or 96 cents per Unit and net income for the same period was $3.16 million or 31 cents per Unit.

The company previously announced its fourth quarter dividend of 33 cents per Unit payable February 15, 1991 to Unitholders of record on Dec. 28, 1990. This was the sixteenth consecutive quarter in which the company's dividend rate was increased.

EQK Green Acres, L.P. owns and operates Green Acres Mall, a super-regional shopping mall located in Nassua County, Long Island, N.Y.

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KAHULUI, HAWAII (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Maui Land & Pineapple Company Inc. reported net income of $1.6 million, or 90 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990 compared to a net loss of $1.5 million, or 86 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $30.5 million compared to $32.4 million for the prior year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $1.8 million, $1.01 per share compared to $6 million, or $3.36 per share, for the first nine months of 1989. Revenues of $79.5 million for the first nine months of 1990 were 18 percent lower than the like period a year ago.

Increased earnings for the third quarter were due primarily to lot sales at the Plantation Estates I subdivision at Kapalua.

Lower results for the first nine months of 1990 as compared to the like period in 1989 were due to lot sales at the Kapalua Place subdivision in the second quarter of 1989.

Excluding real estate sales, Kapalua's operating results were lower for the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 as compared to the like periods in 1989.

Pineapple operations produced higher revenues for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 as compared to the like periods last year due to a higher average unit value of sales.

Although the operating loss for the third quarter decreased compared to last year's third quarter, the nine month period showed increased losses over a year ago. Lower case volume of sales and higher costs contributed to these results.

Kaahumanu Center reported increased revenues and profits for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 as compared to the like periods in 1989.

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RUTLAND, VT (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Central Vermont Public Service Corp. (NYSE:CV) reported unaudited earnings for the third quarter 1990 of 66 cents per common share compared to 10 cents for the third quarter 1989.

The 1989 results, however, included a 28 cents per share write-off related to the Champlain Pipeline project. Included in the 1990 earnings for the third quarter was 17 cents per share related to CV Rumford's investment in a wood and coal-fired cogeneration plant located in Rumford, Maine, which began operations in June 1990.

We expect a net contribution to earnings from the Rumford project of approximately 12 cents for 1990.

For the nine and 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990 earnings were $1.86 and $2.37 compared to $2.09 and $2.11 for the similar periods last year.

The Vermont economy, while softening along with New England's and the nation's as a whole, still shows an unemployment rate below the national average. Cutbacks in employment have largely been concentrated in the manufacturing sector and construction. Despite soft sales, we expect to earn our allowed return for 1990.

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MILLBRAE, Calif. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Homestead Financial Corp. (NYSE:HFL/HFLB) reported net income of $0.8 million, or 7 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990 compared to a net loss of $1.5 million, or 13 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

Aftertax income from continuing operations totalled $1.1 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared to $1.9 million for the third quarter of 1989. Aftertax income for 1990 was primarily the result of $1.6 million in tax benefits due mainly to the sale of several commercial notes during the quarter.

During the third quarter of 1989, the company sold $520 million in mortgage-related securities at a gain of $10.7 million. The company also recorded a $6.3 million mark-to-market loss on its high yield bond portfolio and a $6.5 million aftertax extraordinary loss due to the prepayment penalty on the early retirement of FHLB debt during the third quarter of 1989.

During the current quarter, the company committed itself to the sale of all of the assets of Homestead Land Development Corp. (HLDC), its residential real estate development subsidiary. Therefore, the company has classified this business as a discontinued operation.

The aftertax loss from discontinued operations totalled $0.3 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared to aftertax income of $3.1 million for the third quarter of 1989. HLDC sold 84 homes and 213 homes during the third quarter of 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Net interest income totalled $7.5 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared to $4.2 million for the comparable period in 1989. The primary reason for the improvement was lower loan loss provisions. Primary interest rate spread increased from 1.45 percent at Sept. 30, 1989, to 1.79 percent at Sept. 30, 1990.

General and administrative expenses decreased 9.0 percent from $11.1 million

for the third quarter of 1989 to $10.1 million for the third quarter of 1990. Reduced personnel and other operating expenses contributed to the improvement.

Homestead Savings continues to place emphasis on growing and enhancing the value of its retail franchise which includes twenty-one branches in the San Francisco Bay Area. During the third quarter of 1990, retail deposits increased by $42.0 million or 5.5 percent.

Homestead Savings, the company's savings and loan subsidiary, had stockholder's equity of $43.5 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

Beginning on July 1, 1990, for the purposes of calculating regulatory capital under the 1989 savings and loan legislation, Homestead Savings must deduct from capital 10 percent of its investment in and extensions of credit to HLDC. This percentage increases over a transition period to 100 percent on July 1, 1994.

As a result of the thrift's investment in and extension of credit to HLDC, reductions of $28.5 million for tangible and core capital and $57.1 million for risk-based capital were made to stockholder's equity at Sept. 30, 1990.

Partially as a result of these reductions, Homestead Savings had negative regulatory capital resulting in shortfalls of $42.4 million, $80.7 million and $103.8 million for tangible, core and risk-based capital, respectively, at Sept. 30, 1990.

Homestead Savings is actively pursuing the disposition of its real estate assets to improve its regulatory capital position. Homestead Savings has not met certain requirements in its previously approved capital plan and filed an amendment to this plan with the Office of Thrift Supervision. Homestead Savings continues to operate under its previously approved capital plan.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Belvedere Corp. (AMEX:BLV), announced Tuesday that its Board of Directors has declared a dividend of 1 cent per share.

The cash dividend is payable on Nov. 30 to shareholders of record on Nov. 14.

Belvedere Corp., through its major subsidiary, Belvedere America Reinsurance Co., a U.S. company, is engaged primarily in writing or property and casualty insurance.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Encore Computer Corp. Tuesday reported a loss in the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Revenues for the quarter were $53,002,000 with a net loss of $4,109,000 or 12 cents per share, compared to revenues of $52,153,000 and a net loss of $14,482,000 or 42 cents per share for the prior year's fiscal quarter ended Oct. 1, 1989.

Kenneth G. Fisher, chairman and chief executive officer said, ''The loss was due to shortfalls in product revenue caused by being in a new product transition phase, and softness, due to general economic conditions and uncertainties over federal budget spending.''

Encore is in discussions to recapitalize the company with the assistance of their financial advisor, First Boston Corp. Fisher stated, ''The discussions began several weeks ago and are part of our ongoing restructuring program. We are progressing with our discussions and expect a satisfactory resolution for Encore shareholders and our customers.''

The new Encore 90 Series product line begins shipping to customers in the fourth quarter. The Encore 90 is a RISC microprocessor-based computer system using both UNIX and MPX operating systems for our real-time and commerical markets. Initial customer interest in the product is excellent. Volume shipments will begin in the first quarter 1991.

Additionally, Encore signed major strategic agreements with Oracle Corp. and Ingres Corp., two key relational database management systems companies. The agreements call for both companies to participate in joint marketing and support programs with Encore.

Encore Computer Corp., an international company headquartered in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., provides cost-effective computer systems solutions for time-critical applications. Encore manufactures three families of computer systems: Encore 90, CONCEPT/32, and Multimax, and has a $1 billion installed base of over 8,000 systems worldwide.

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CHATTANOOGA, TENN (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Signal Apparel Co. Inc.

(NYSE:SIA) and The Shirt Shed Inc. Tuesday announced that they have commenced discussions concerning a proposal by Signal to enter into a negotiated transaction pursuant to which all of Shirt Shed's shares other than those held by Signal would be purchased by Signal for cash at a price of $4 per share.

This price represents a premium of 52.4 percent over the closing price yesterday, Oct. 29, 1990. The aggregate net purchase price for the transaction would be approximately $30 million. The proposal is subject to the negotiation and execution of a mutually acceptable acquisition agreement, approval by the boards of directors of both Signal and Shirt Shed, Signal's arranging financing and the receipt of any required regulatory and other approvals.

Signal currently holds 41,600 common shares of Shirt Shed and a $6 million subordinated note which, under certain circumstances, is convertible into shares of Shirt Shed's preferred stock and, at $3 per share, into 2 million shares of Shirt Shed's common stock. In addition, an affiliate of Signal holds 95,000 shares of Shirt Shed along with warrants and options to acquire warrants to purchase an additional 1.5 million shares of Shirt Shed at 75 cents per share.

Signal Apparel Co. Inc. is engaged in the manufacture and marketing of apparel including knit sportswear, sweaters and knit shirts for men and boys, and women's apparel. The company's preferred and common stocks are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. The company's symbol is SIA.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Devon Group Inc., Stamford, Conn. (NASDAQ:DEVN) Tuesday announced that for its second fiscal quarter sales were $46,466,000, and net income was $433,000 (6 cents per share), inclusive of a reserve of $809,000, net of taxes (11 cents per share) for the sale of The Franklin Press Inc. (Miami, Fla.), a unit of Devon's financial printing subsidiary, The Aztech Chas P. Young Co.

For the previous fiscal year's second quarter sales were $45,615,000, and net income was $3,383,000, or 33 cents per share.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, sales were $91,721,000 and net income was $1,525,000, compared to sales of $93,251,000 and net income of $7,228,000 for the same period last year.

Net income per common share for the first half was 21 cents vs. 69 cents in the comparable prior year period.

The operations and substantially all the assets and liabilities of The Franklin Press were sold on Oct. 16, 1990, to a group headed by its current president for a total consideration of $750,000.

Franklin had annual sales of approximately $4 million.

Because the Miami and the southeast markets have not developed as had been anticipated several years ago, Franklin Press incurred pretax losses of $627,000 in fiscal 1990 and $469,000 in fiscal 1991 up until its sales.

Commenting on this announcement, Marne Obernauer, Jr., chairman and CEO, stated, ''It's important to note that results at three of our four business units (Black Dot, Graftek, and Devon Publishing Group) are in the aggregate virtually even with our internal projections and expectations at the outset of this fiscal year.

The fundamental problem affecting our earnings is our financial printing unit, where an already soft market has been worsened by uncertain conditions stemming from the Middle East crisis and from a recessionary environment.

Significant steps, including staffing level reductions were taken at the end of September to reduce expense levels and increase efficiency in light of these revenue shortfalls.

This was followed by the sale of Franklin Press, which stems the losses we were incurring in that area. We are monitoring carefully our progress with these steps, and further actions will be taken as required.''

''It should also be noted that sales and income in our pre-press business fell below prior year levels in the first half as forecast due to lower demand form textbook publishers and a key retail advertiser. However, as we stated, results were in line with previous expectations, and profitability continues at very respectable levels.''

Devon Group Inc. is a diversified graphic arts company which provides the following services and products: pre-press computerized typesetting, composition, and color separation; complete financial printing; printing, binding and fulfillment to a broad base of magazine publishers; and publishing/distribution of posters, art reproductions, original art, note cards, and calendars.

Attached is a financial summary of the three and six month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989.

Devon Group Inc.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share data)

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Six Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$46,466	$45,615	$91,721	$93,251
Operating costs and expenses:				
Cost of sales	29,998	27,536	60,072	56,160
Selling, general and administrative	14,142	12,688	27,249	25,682
Income from operations	2,326	5,391	4,400	11,409
Interest income	254	578	357	1,089
Interest expense	(1,446)	(557)	(2,600)	(1,101)
Other income (expense)	(1,214)	118	(718)	448
Income before income taxes and minority interest	(80)	5,530	1,439	11,845
Provision for income taxes	44	2,157	644	4,620
Income before minority interest	(124)	3,373	795	7,225
Minority interest	557	10	730	3
Net income	$ 433	$ 3,383	$ 1,525	$ 7,228
Net income per common share	$ .06	$ .33	$ .21	$ .69
Average common shares outstanding	7,126	10,389	7,126	10,407

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Communications Associates (NYSE:DCA) Tuesday announced it has begun initial shipments of IRMAtrac Token-Ring Adapter/Convertible, a new Token-Ring local area network (LAN) hardware adapter.

With IRMAtrac and network operating system software, users can construct Token-Ring LANs that enable them to communicate with network resources such as printers and other personal computers (PCs), or with mainframe computers. Network operating systems currently supported by IRMAtrac include DCA's 10NET Plus, Novell's Netware 286 and 386 and IBM's PC LAN Program.

DCA said that it intends to add specially designed software drivers that will enable IRMAtrac to support the Microsoft LAN Manager network operating system and other OS/2-based products such as the DCA/Microsoft Select Communications Server, Select Communications Workstation and 3Com's 3+Open. These drivers are scheduled to be available in the first quarter of calendar year 1991.

With its Ring Interface Modules (RIMs) -- believed to be the first in the industry -- IRMAtrac can support either 4 or 16 megabit per second (Mbps)

Token-Ring LANs from a single adapter, helping to protect users' hardware investments as their communications needs change.

In a specially designed laboratory based at DCA's San Jose, Calif., research and development center, IRMAtrac's performance was stress-tested in a multi-vendor network to ensure full compatibility with the IEEE 802.5 standard for twisted-pair wiring and interoperability with IBM Token-Ring products.

Rodwick said the large-node network testing was designed to ensure full compliance with IBM's recommendation of support for 136 nodes at 16 Mbps over 100-meter cabling. Other tests conducted by DCA included ''worst case'' cable configurations, in addition to varying test patterns and data packet sizes.

Initial shipments of IRMAtrac Token-Ring Adapter/Convertible are available now through DCA's standard distribution channel for a suggested retail price of $895.

Based 30 miles north of Atlanta in Alpharetta, Ga., DCA designs, manufactures and markets products that enhance the productivity of personal computer users.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Trust Corp., parent of the Northern Trust Company and of Northern Trust of California N.A., Tuesday announced the signing of a definitive agreement to acquire Tri-Valley National Bank located in Dublin, Calif.

Tri-Valley, a wholly owned subsidiary of SJNB Financial Corp., of San Jose, was organized in 1983 and, as of Sept. 30, had assets of approximately $12 million. Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

''With the change in California law in January 1991, we intend to merge Tri-Valley National Bank with Northern Trust of California N.A. The new entity will offer a full range of private banking services in addition to asset management and trust services,'' said David W. Fox, chairman, Northern Trust Corp. The acquisition of Tri-Valley is subject to receipt of approval from the comptroller of the currency.

''Northern Trust of California N.A. now administers trust assets in excess of $1.2 billion from offices in Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, San Francisco,

Newport Beach, San Diego and San Jose,'' said Alison A. Winter, its president.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Teradata Corp. (NASDAQ:TDAT), a manufacturer of high-performance relational database computer systems, Tuesday announced first fiscal quarter operating results.

Revenue for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $47,433,000, compared with $42,979,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. The loss before extraordinary items for the first quarter was $7,611,000, or 50 cents per share, compared with earnings of $1,953,000, or 14 cents per share, in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

The extraordinary item brought the net loss for the quarter to $8,891,000, or 59 cents per share, compared with net income of $2,419,000, or 17 cents per share, in the comparable prior-year period.

The first-quarter results include revenues of ShareBase Corp., which was acquired by Teradata on June 27, 1990. ShareBase recorded first-quarter revenues of $8,362,000.

Kenneth W. Simonds, Teradata's chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''As we previously reported, our first-quarter revenues were negatively affected by several factors. During the summer quarter, we typically have a low level of visibility on the quarter's business until near the end of the quarter.

''While we had identified enough potential business to meet our expectations, the order closure rate we normally see at the end of a quarter failed to materialize. This was especially true in our two principal European markets -- England and Germany. In particular, one of our largest European customers is undergoing a reorganization that has resulted in the postponement of expected revenues.

Teradata (excluding ShareBase) sold 495 processors in 44 transactions during

the first fiscal quarter. Thirty-one of these transactions, comprising 245 processors, were expansions or upgrades of previously installed systems, and 13 were new systems.

Los Angeles-based Teradata designs, manufactures and markets high-performance systems and related products and services for relational database management.

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MENLO PARK, CA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Landsing Pacific Fund (AMEX:LPF), a self-administered San Francisco Bay area-based real estate investment trust, Tuesday reported third quarter financial results.

The Fund reported funds from operations (net income plus payments from master leases before depreciation and amortization and non-recurring costs) of $1,038,000 or 17 cents per share. Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30 were $4,179,000 or 68 cents per share.

Equity real estate investments generate non-cash deductions of depreciation and amortization. Management believes funds from operations are the primary indication of fund performance and cash available for distribution. Net income/(loss) for the three months ended Sept. 30 were $(347,000) or (6 cents) per share, after charges of $1,123,000 in non-cash depreciation and amortization, the exclusion of $572,000 in Master Lease payments and $154,000 in non-recurring costs.

The directors approved a stock repurchase program in October 1989 to purchase up to 300,000 of its outstanding shares on the open market. To date the Fund has purchased 238,202 of its shares and will continue to implement this policy.

Landsing Pacific Fund presently has 29 property investments with an estimated value of $148 million. Approximately 66 percent of the Fund's asets are located on the Pacific West Coast, primarily in the San Francisco Bay area.

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FREMONT, CALIF (OCT. 30) BUISNESS WIRE - Vitalink Communications Corp. announced Tuesday the appointment of Leslie G. Denend as its chief executive officer and president Donald J. Herman, who came out of retirement in June to serve as Vitalink's temporary chief executive officer and chairman, will complete his term as chairman of the board.

Commenting on Denend's appointment to chief executive officer and president, Herman said, ''After an extensive and exhaustive search for an outstanding chief executive offcer and president for Vitalink, I know we have chosen the right person. I am confident Denend has the qualifications necessary to successfully guide this company into the future.

''His first-hand knowledge of the LAN internetworking industry coupled with his wide range of experience and his proven ability to manage all facets of an organization, make him an ideal leader for Vitalink.''

Prior to accepting the position with Vitalink, Denend, 49, served as executive vice president of product operations for 3Com Corp. of Santa Clara where he was responsible for product development, marketing and manufacturing of all 3Com's divisions. Before joining 3Com he was a partner with McKinsey & Co., one of the world's largest management consulting firms.

Founded in 1980, Vitalink Communications Corp. manufactures and markets a family of LAN interconnect processors including Ethernet and Token-Ring bridges and bridge/routers, and a comprehensive network management system.

Over 16,000 units are installed worldwide, reflecting the company's position as a leading supplier of internetworking systems used to build large, multivendor computer networks.

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REDMOND, WA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. Tuesday announced MS OS/2 operating system version 1.3.

The new product is an update to MS OS/2 with improvements for low-memory systems. The new version includes improved performance of the install program and graphical file manager as well as enhancements to the shell.

Microsoft will begin supplying MS OS/2 version 1.3 to its OEM customers within 90 days. The product requires minimal adaptation on the part of OEMs because there are no new application programming interfaces (APIs) or device driver interfaces. Consequently, the update will operate with existing MS OS/2 device drivers. Additionally, LAN Manager 2.0 will support OS/2 version 1.3 on the server.

OS/2 has a steadily growing application base, to which several new and updated products have been added in recent months. Microsoft Excel, the leading graphical spreadsheet, has recently been updated to take advantage of

improvements in MS OS/2 version 1.2 and above. The update, Microsoft Excel for OS/2 version 2.21, supports OfficeVision for OS/2 and UNC file names. It runs on OS/2 version 1.3 with at least 2 MB of RAM. Additionally, Microsoft Word version 1.1 for OS/2, which will be available by the end of 1990, is a full-featured, graphical word processor that conforms to the IBM CUA (common user access) standard, supports extended attributes and takes advantage of OS/2 long file names. Word for OS/2 rounds out the Word family of products, providing cross-platform word processing capability for many popular platforms.

Other companies have recently introduced OS/2 applications as well. InfoAlliance, from Software Publishing Corp., is a client/server software product which lets personal computer users on a network transparently access and manipulate data located in disparate databases. Another example, Freelance/G from Lotus, is a presentation package that allows users to create related slides using templates. Other examples include Designer by Micrografx Wingz by Informix and Ventura Publisher version 3.0 by Ventura Software Inc. These applications run on MS OS/2 version 1.2 and above.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ:MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems, network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, hardware and CD-ROM products for the microcomputer marketplace.

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NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Ventura Entertainment Group Ltd. (NASDAQ:VEGG), and its subsidiary Ventura Motion Picture Group Ltd. (NASDAQ:VMPG), announced results for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

In July, 1990, both companies changed their fiscal year ends from Oct. 31 to June 30 to more closely reflect their industry's business cycle.

For the fiscal year end and eight-month period ended June 30, VEGG reported revenues of $3,081,920 and a net loss of $2,603,073, or 38 cents per share, as compared with revenues of $3,146,500 and a loss of $455,316, or 11 cents per share, for the year ended Oct. 31, 1989.

For the same periods VMPG reported no revenues and a net loss of $482,996, or 7 cents per share, in fiscal 1990 as compared with no revenues and a net loss of $4,487, or 0 cents per share, in the period from Aug. 10, 1989 (inception)

through Oct. 31, 1989.

According to Harvey Bibicoff, chairman of VEGG and co-chairman of VMPG, ''While reporting a loss is never pleasant, this report covers our second fiscal year in business and we knew from the beginning that it would take us three years to become profitable.''

''We have accomplished our early goals of becoming a recognized, accepted and respected supplier of TV programming.'' He continued: ''We have assembled one of the best management teams in the industry and we have formed and staffed all of our operating divisions, namely, Venture Motion Picture Group, Ventura Media Center, Ventura Live Productions, Harmony Pictures and Ventura Music Group.

''We expect that these accomplishments will bear financial rewards this year.''

Ventura Entertainment Group Ltd. is a fully integrated entertainment production company which, directly and through its subsidiaries, produces television commercials, develops and produces network, cable and syndicated TV series, miniseries, MOWs, theatrical motion pictures, music/variety specials and live events for the domestic and international marketplace. The company also produces and publishes music, and owns the Ventura Media Center in Orem, Utah, one of the largest production facilities outside of Los Angeles.

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LOWELL, MA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Merrimack Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:MRMK) Tuesday reported a net loss for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $12,951,000, or $3.49 per share, as compared to net income of $461,000, or 12 cents per share, for the same quarter in 1989.

The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $20,887,000, or $5.63 per share, compared to a net loss of $7,323,000, or $1.97 per share, for the same period last year.

Peter Hollingworth, chairman and chief executive officer of Merrimack Bancorp Inc., indicated, ''the real estate market continues to deteriorate in our market area and in New England resulting in additional negative results for our operation. This deterioration has, among other things, resulted in an increase in the loan loss reserves, additional write-downs in the carrying value of our OREO properties and adjustment to the book value of our balance sheet goodwill which was generated in the acquisition of Hillsborough Bank & Trust in 1988.''

Merrimack Bancorp Inc. is the parent holding company for Lowell Institution for Savings, a Massachusetts chartered savings bank, and Hillsborough Bank and Trust Co., a New Hampshire chartered commercial bank. The subsidiaries conduct business through 11 offices located in the greater Lowell area of Massachusetts and southern New Hampshire. At Sept. 30, 1990, Merrimack Bancorp Inc. had assets totaling approximately $505 million.

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COSTA MESA, CA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Emulex Corp. (NASDAQ:EMLX), a worldwide supplier of storage and networking products for the computer industry, has announced the upgraded Version 2.1 release of its multi-protocol software for the Emulex Performance family of local-area network communications and printer servers.

The 2.1 release includes major enhancements to the Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol (TCP/IP), the protocol that is widely used for local area network communications among computers employing the popular UNIX computer operating system.

According to Jon Asahina, Emulex's director of marketing for connectivity products: ''This new software package demonstrates Emulex's commitment to networking in multi-vendor environments by providing one of the industry's most complete TCP/IP implementations.

''The Version 2.1 software offers, among other things, industry standard SLIP (Serial Line Internet Protocol) point-to-point connectivity, allowing remote users of personal computers and workstations direct access to the network.

''But, even more importantly, it offers network management -- by means of the emerging standard for the management of local-area networks -- SNMP (Simple Network Management Protocol). Emulex is dedicated to the development and support of SNMP through active participation in the Network Management Internet Task Force working groups.

The Version 2.1 software also includes many other TCP/IP features, as well as new enhancements for the Digital Equipment Corp. LAT-compatible protocol. The software upgrade will be available for the Emulex Performance 4000 line of 8-, 14- and 32-port terminal servers, the Emulex Performance 3000 printer servers and the modular, fault-tolerant Emulex Performance 8000 communications server.

Version 2.1 software will be available for shipment to beta sites in December, with volume shipments scheduled for the first quarter of 1991. The price is $500 including a one-year software maintenance program.

Emulex designs, manufactures and markets high-performance computer enhancement products in the areas of system/network connectivity and storage control. Emulex addresses the DEC and IBM PC marketplaces, as well as markets for industry standards such as SCSI and UNIX.

The company sells worldwide to end users, OEMs, systems integrators and value-added resellers through direct sales and indirect distribution channels.

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NEWARK, CA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Maureen Dolan has been elected secretary-treasurer of the Leslie Salt Co. by the company's board of directors.

In her new position, Dolan oversees all the financial and administrative functions of the company.

Dolan succeeds Fred Siegrist, who recently retired after 23 years with the Leslie Salt Co.

Dolan has been Leslie's accounting manager since September 1985. Dolan joined Cargill Inc., Leslie's parent company, in July 1979 as an accounting trainee in Cargill's Salt Division. She served in various supervisory positions in Cargill's Minneapolis headquarters before joining Leslie in 1985.

The Leslie Salt Co. is a solar-salt production and refining company with salt-harvesting facilities in Newark, Redwood City, Napa and Amboy, Calif. The company markets food and industrial grade salt products throughout the western United States.

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SAN FERNANDO, Calif. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Trio-Tech International, a California corporation (TRTC), announced Tuesday that it had acquired Express Test Corp. by way of a triangular merger.

Effective Tuesday, Frank S. Gavin, the president of Express Test, has been elected executive vice president of Trio-Tech International.

In addition, S. W. Yong, the president of Trio-Tech International, will also

assume the duties of chief executive officer of Trio-Tech International.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - AM International Inc. (NYSE/PSE:AM) Tuesday reported that its lenders have extended the waiver on certain requirements of the company's revolving credit agreement while the parties continue negotiations on an amended agreement.

The waiver runs through Nov. 30, 1990.

AM International, with world headquarters in Chicago, sells and services a wide range of design, display, reproduction and finishing products and supplies to the worldwide graphics industry. The company conducts its business through three divisions, 17 subsidiaries and a dealer organization located in over 100 countries.

AM International's annual revenues are about $900 million. AM International's common and preferred shares are traded on the New York, Pacific and Midwest stock exchanges under the ticker symbol ''AM.'' The company's warrants are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol ''AML.WS.''

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HONOLULU (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The Federal Maritime Commission announced that the 3.6 percent general rate increase Matson Navigation Co. placed into effect on March 10 is to be reduced to 2.68 percent and that shippers are entitled to refunds, with interest.

Administrative procedures for implementing this complex, time-consuming refund task have not yet been determined. In conjunction with this rate reduction, Matson has decided to reduce the parallel increase that was filed March 10 with the Interstate Commerce Commission for certain intermodal rates and tenders for government cargo subject to ICC jurisdiction.

A preliminary estimate of revenue affected by these actions shows that refunds and interest would, at most, total $3 million.

While Matson is pleased that the FMC agreed with the company on the majority of issues related to the general rate increase, Matson is disappointed that the commission has modified Administrative Law Judge Norman Kline's initial decision, which found Matson's 3.6 percent rate increase ''just and

reasonable.''

Of the key issues involved in the decision, the FMC agreed with Kline's finding that ''Matson has acquired vessels and improved its facilities in order to maintain first-rate service in response to the reasonably foreseeable needs of its customers and to maintain its position as the premier carrier serving the trade.''

The commission's decision to reduce Matson's rate increase was the result of a downward adjustment of the benchmark for rate of return of U.S. manufacturing firms.

The FMC's decision to set Matson's fair rate of return at 10.18 percent was based on ''current trends'' in rate of return of such firms during the ''test year'' (April 1, 1990, to March 31, 1991) and the commission's belief that, despite an upsurge in competition, Matson will be at ''less risk'' during this ''test year'' than the average U.S. manufacturing company.

With headquarters in San Francisco, Matson is a subsidiary of Alexander & Baldwin Inc. (NASDAQ:ALEX).

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - ISIS Pharmaceutical and Ciba-Geigy Ltd., Basel, are to collaborate in an innovative field of molecular biology.

Therapeutic applications for use in medicine will be investigated in the first instance, prior to other applications.

Existing drugs combat pathogenic proteins after these have been formed. The new and highly specific therapy aims to block the formation of pathogenic proteins in the cell with the aid of antisense oligonucleotides but without interfering with the human genotype.

The collaboration will focus at the outset on the four molecular targets associated with, for example, virus infection, inflammation and cancer. Further possible applications exist in diagnostics, animal health and agriculture.

Over the next few years, Ciba-Geigy will commit more than $30 million to the project to which both parties will contribute their relevant research activities.

Located in Northern San Diego County, ISIS Pharmaceuticals is a pharmaceutical

company engaged in the discovery, development and marketing of novel human therapeutic products based on antisense oligonucleotides.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The Santa Cruz Operation Inc. (SCO), the world's leading supplier of open system software for microcomputers, Tuesday announced that the SCO UNIX System V/386 Release 3.2 and SCO XENIX Operating Systems and the Open Desktop complete graphical operating system will support the new IBM Personal System/2 models 55 LS, 90 XP 486 and 95 XP 486.

The IBM PS/2 models 90 XP 486 and 95 XP 486 are designed to function as graphical network servers and departmental workstations, while the PS/2 55 LS allows users to access these and other machines, via Token-Ring or Ethernet connections. PS/2 models 90 XP 486 and 95 XP 486 can also serve as multiuser hosts.

With SCO operating systems, users of the desktop model 90 XP 486 or floor-standing model 95 XP 486 can build workstation-class computing solutions for both business and technical environments, as well as powerful network servers.

Based on open system standards, Open Desktop brings the advanced capabilities of technical workstations to 386 and 486 computers for both business and technical users.

Open Desktop combines the full 32-bit, built-in SCO UNIX System V/386 Release 3.2 Operating System, a graphical user interface, ready-to-connect networking services, flexible SQL relational database management, and complete MS-DOS and UNIX System integration into a single, efficient operating system.

The Open Desktop Server Upgrade adds server capabilities to Open Desktop for PC-Interface and networked SQL databases, and includes a multiuser license for all of Open Desktop's system services.

SCO UNIX System V/386 Release 3.2 is a fully licensed, SVID-conforming implementation of AT&T's UNIX System V/386 that supports 386 and 486 microcomputers based on Micro Channel Architecture, as well as Industry Standard Architecture (ISA) and Extended Industry Standard Architectures (EISA).

It has already established itself as the most advanced PC-based UNIX System for both workgroup and graphical workstation solutions.

SCO operating systems are robust, fully licensed versions of AT&T's UNIX System V, with value-added enhancements provided exclusively by SCO. SCO has optimized these systems for Intel-based microcomputers to take full advantage of the capabilities of the 286, 386 and 486 processors.

In addition, SCO supplies a broad selection of device drivers for popular disks, tapes, monitors and communications. Added features from SCO and Microsoft make SCO systems easy to use and easy to program.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Silicon Graphics, the leader in high performance 3-D workstations, and Ithaca Software, the leading supplier of portable 3-D graphics tools for personal workstations, have jointly developed IRISVIEW, a tool for viewing DXF files.

IRISVIEW, based on Ithaca Software's HOOPS Graphics System, will be bundled with Silicon Graphics' new IRISVISION graphics board. IRISVIEW will allow IRISVISION users to view and manipulate complex DXF files in real-time on personal computers. DXF, Autodesk's open standard for geometric data, is the most widely used format for 3-D data transfer on personal computers.

The combination of IRISVISION and IRISVIEW brings the benefits of high performance 3-D graphics to the broad personal computer market.

HOOPS is a graphics development system used by software makers to produce portable graphics applications across a wide range of workstations and personal computers. As part of its agreement with Silicon Graphics, Ithaca Software has ported HOOPS to the IRISVISION graphics accelerator for the PC.

HOOPS is based on an innovative 'declarative' programming interface pioneered by Ithaca Software. Declarative programming greatly simplifies the design and development of new graphics applications. Using HOOPS, developers from Silicon Graphics, Autodesk and Ithaca Software were able to accelerate development of the IRISVIEW application.

Ithaca Software introduced the HOOPS Graphics System at ACM Siggraph '86. Since 1987, HOOPS has been licensed at more than 500 commercial and 100 academic sites. HOOPS was the first 3-D graphics development system available on X Windows, DOS, Macintosh and OS/2. It is the only system capable of producing advanced graphics applications across the entire spectrum of engineering workstations and personal computers.

HOOPS has been adopted as a 3-D graphics standard by many of the leading makers of personal computers and workstation software including Autodesk, CADAM, Mechanical Dynamics, Signal Technology, Spatial Technology, Versacad and others. In 1988, HOOPS won a Digital Review Target Award Nomination for best graphics product. In 1989, HOOPS received BYTE magazine's Award of Distinction.

Ithaca Software develops, markets and supports graphics development systems for personal workstations. Ithaca Software, incorporated in 1985, is a privately held company based in Alameda, Calif., with sales and support facilities in Dallas, Tokyo and Basel, Switzerland.

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AUGUSTA, GA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The National Science Center Foundation (NSCF) has selected the Motorola MultiPersonal Computer as the platform for Learning Logic, a math learning software product designed to combat declining math and science proficiency among U.S. high school students.

In addition, Motorola's Commercial Systems Division (CSD), based in Cupertino, Calif., has committed to assisting NSCF in expanding the number of high schools participating in Learning Logic. As an NSCF marketing partner, CSD will provide sales and marketing expertise and substantial discounts on computers sold to the participating schools.

NSCF, a non-profit organization based in Augusta, said the Learning Logic, software is revolutionary because it is the first educational software product to deliver a complete high school course to students -- in this case, algebra I -- via a computer.

NSCF developed the Learning Logic software math course. Motorola's MultiPersonal was selected from 30 different systems as the hardware platform for field testing the first installment of Learning Logic.

The MultiPersonal was chosen because it offers the color graphics and speed needed for Learning Logic at a price that is affordable for schools, according to Dr. McLowery Elrod, director of NSCF's National Mathematics Center. A typical Learning Logic system includes the MultiPersonal Model 300 with 30 color X terminals. The computer is based on the Motorola M88000 reduced instruction set computing (RISC) microprocessor.

Designed by a team of math teachers and software experts, the Learning Logic software is an interactive, self-paced math course that operates on Motorola's high-speed computer with high definition, 256-color graphics terminal.

Students do most of their work in class on the computer, with a teacher helping individual students and determining homework assignments and tests.

Students new to Learning Logic are tested by the software to determine their math proficiency so the computer will begin the math instruction at a level appropriate to the student's ability. Students work directly on the computer, reading information and solving problems posed by the software.

Learning Logic is mastery based, meaning that students cover a new topic only when they have mastered the previous one -- thereby making learning more comprehensive.

Motorola is one of the world's leading providers of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets. Products include two-way radios, pagers, cellular telephone systems, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronics equipment, computers, data communications and information processing and handling equipment.

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EL SEGUNDO, CALIF. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Condor Services Inc. (NASDAQ:COND) Tuesday reported results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the third quarter of 1990, the company had direct premiums earned of $7,060,366, net premiums earned of $4,932,947 and net loss of $409,686 (-19 cents per share). For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had direct premiums earned of $19,870,380, net premiums earned of $13,645,843 and net income of $300,890 (14 cents per share).

Condor Services is an insurance holding company which, through its three operating subsidiaries, Condor Insurance Co., Raven Claims Services and Interstate Program Managers, provides certain property and casualty insurance coverages and services to the specialized trucking industry in California and Arizona.

Condor Services Inc. and Subsidiaries

Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989/a	1990	1989/a
Direct premiums earned	$ 7,060,366	$ 5,363,587	$19,870,380	$ 8,614,436
Net premiums earned	4,932,947	2,905,157	13,645,843	4,679,318
Net income (loss)	(409,686)	161,621	300,890	713,484
Net income (loss) per share	(19 cents)	7 cents	14 cents	42 cents
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	2,165,000	2,165,000	2,165,000	1,712,509

(a) On May 1, 1989 Condor Insurance Co., a subsidiary of the company, began to write the insurance coverage the company had previously placed with an unaffiliated insurer as a managing general agency. Consequently the results of operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 are not comparable to the results of operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Dataquest Tuesday announced that its entire equipment residual value database is now available on floppy disk.

Previously presented only in hard copy form as part of the Equipment Leasing Service (ELS) subscirption, the future value projection database is now produced in Lotus, DB3 or Paradox formats and is available as an option to the ELS annual subscription or as a separate product.

The disks are updated quarterly and track more than 300 equipment models from approximately 40 high technology manufactuers. Dataquest provides residual values for mainframe and mid-range computers, workstations, printers, storage devices, CAD/CAM workstations and telecommunications equipment.

All value forecasts are calculated as a percentage of the equipment's original list price and both retail and wholesale prices are presented.

Approximately 20 percent of Dataquest's ELS customer base evaluated the database's flexibility and ease-of-use during a two-month Beta Site testing period.

The electronic delivery of databases is the fifth feature added to Dataquest's Equipment Leasing Service. The service provides lessors with information about high technology products, manufacturers, domestic and international

trends and issues impacting the leasing industry.

Future values are presented in three levels of service. The first level is the standard product list which chronicles future values. Next, clients can request future value forecasts on product models outside the standard products tracked. Finally, formal appraisals are available to customers in need of custom information for the purpose of selling a lease or marketing a new product.

Dataquest, founded in 1971, is an international company of The Dun & Bradstreet Corp. It is a leading market intelligence company that provides market research and consulting services to the high technology industry and the financial community. The company currently has seven research offices throughout the world and employs more than 600 persons.

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SPRINGDALE, AR (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Cannon Express Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CANX) Tuesday announced the results of it's first fiscal quarter of 1991 ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues	$6,159,000	vs.	$4,015,000	up 53 percent
Net income	$ 433,000	vs.	$ 318,000	up 36 percent
Net income per share	26 cents	vs.	19 cents	First fiscal quarter
revenues	$6,158,915	vs.	$4,015,174	up 53 percent
Net income	$ 432,927		$ 318,866	
	26 cents per share		19 cents per share	up 36 percent

In mid August the company implemented a surcharge on fuel to help offset higher prices. The surcharge has largely offset the increased fuel prices. Consequently, the company's earnings were not impacted as severely as might have been if the surcharge was not in place.

The company has added 20 tractors and 26 trailers to its fleet as of this release, additionally the company will take delivery of 20 tractors and 26 trailers in November. Bringing the fleet size to 290 tractors and 359 trailers vs. 250 tractors and 307 trailers for the comparable period of fiscal 1990.

Due to the steadily increasing demand for the company's services management believes the company can rely on additional business from its current and new customers to provide revenues for the increased fleet size and anticipates significant additional growth after the first of the year.

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EMERYVILLE, CALIF. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Chiron Corp. (NASDAQ:CHIR) Tuesday reported its second consecutive profitable quarter, giving the company a profit for the first nine months of 1990.

Revenues for the quarter and year-to-date more than doubled largely as a result of the continued strong performance of Chiron's joint diagnostic business with Ortho Diagnostic Systems Inc., a Johnson & Johnson company, and increased product sales at its subsidiary, Chiron Ophthalmics Inc.

Research and development and selling, general and administrative expenses were essentially flat during the quarter compared to a year ago, continuing a trend from the second quarter, and increased about 12 percent year-to-date 1990 compared to 1989.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Chiron had net income of $3,963,000 or 23 cents per share, on revenues of $19,095,000 compared to a loss of $3,281,000, or 21 cents per share, on revenues of $8,606,000 for the third quarter a year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Chiron had net income of $2,735,000, or 16 cents per share, on revenues of $51,061,000 vs. a net loss of $12,260,000, or 88 cents per share, on revenues of $25,157,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Revenues for the quarter and for the year increased as a result of Chiron's diagnostic product sales and share of profit from its joint business with Ortho, from increased collaborative research revenues and from increases in Chiron Ophthalmics product sales. For the third quarter, profit from Chiron's joint business with Ortho was $7,977,000 compared to $7,851,000 for the second quarter. Profit from the joint business year-to-date was $14,377,000.

Product sales include shipments of antigens and diagnostic material sold to Ortho at cost of $2,585,000 for the quarter and $5,371,000 for the year to date, vs. $654,000 and $846,000 for the comparable prior periods.

Chiron Corp., headquartered in Emeryville, applies genetic engineering and other techniques of biotechnology to develop products that diagnose, prevent and treat human disease. Chiron is building a healthcare business to addresss needs in four markets: diagnostics, vaccines, biopharmaceuticals and ophthalmics, through its fully integrated subsidiary, Chiron Ophthalmics Inc.

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - If you've ever raised an eyebrow at something that came out of your faucet -- something other than cool, clear water, that is -- then you can imagine the importance Space Station astronauts will place on water purity in orbit.

Water-purity studies -- studies designed to keep contaminants out of Space Station water -- are taking place at Boeing Aerospace & Electronics in Huntsville. The studies are necessary to ensure astronauts aboard Space Station Freedom -- and eventually, in missions to other planets -- can live safely in ''closed-loop'' systems, those that must recycle water.

The studies are part of Boeing work on Space Station Freedom to build living and laboratory modules, the node structures that connect them and on-board systems including the Environmental Control and Life-Support System (ECLSS). The water purity studies support the ECLSS portion of the Boeing work, and are concerned with recycling water aboard the spacecraft.

Aboard Freedom recyclable water from urine, washing clothes, taking showers and from humidity condensation must be salvaged, since a standard eight-member crew could use as much as 40,000 pounds of water every 90 days in orbit. In other words, without the capability to recycle the water aboard Space Station, NASA would have to launch a shuttle every 90 days just to replenish the water supply.

So while some Boeing engineers are testing the recycling systems, additional volunteers are supporting the test program by exercising up a sweat, then taking showers and laundering the workout togs they wore. Others are determining what's in the wash- and shower water.

Gerald Whitman, Boeing Space Station lab manager, said that the Huntsville chemistry and microbiology lab is responsible for analysis of water from the environmental systems proposed for use on the station.

Test water is collected in the ECLSS subsystems area at Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville. Systems that collect and recycle water there are similar to those planned for Space Station.

Recently the Boeing lab achieved a cumulative 95-percent accuracy rate in identifying and quantifying contaminants based on blind samples sent to them by NASA during a three-month period. The space agency ''spiked'' every 10th sample and required Boeing to give a detailed report of everything that was in every sample -- even if it was simply good old water.

Boeing has approximately 1,000 employees in Huntsville working on NASA's Space Station Freedom.

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GUERNSEY, CHANNEL ISLANDS (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Insituform Group Ltd. (''IGL'')(NASDAQ National Market: IGLSF (shares) and IGLWF (warrants)) Tuesday announced that it has signed a new Insituform license agreement with Stabilator AB, a major Swedish company in the construction and pipeline industry.

Prior to this agreement, Stabilator AB had been an Insituform sub-licensee of IGL's Norwegian licensee. Now, as a full licensee, Stabilator will be in a better position to draw upon the technical, sales and marketing talents and resources of IGL. Under the new agreement, Stabilator AB will pay IGL royalties amounting to 8 percent of net contract volume.

Commenting, Stabilator's managing director Bjorn Emt, stated, ''Working in direct collaboration with IGL should accelerate the expansion of our Insituform activities in both the municipal and industrial markets.''

John Deacon, IGL's Vice President and General Manager for European, Middle East and African operations said, ''Sweden, which up to now has been an underdeveloped market for Insituform, should become an important one. We are confident that this new direct link will benefit both companies in developing our business in this affluent and environmentally-aware market.''

In addition to its Insituform business, Stabilator AB is engaged in the reconstruction and rehabilitation of structures and foundations, engineering, and soil and rock stabilization. It has a workforce of 900 and annual sales of Sw Kr 650 million (U.S. $113 million). Stabilator is owned by Skanska, the largest construction company and real estate owner in Scandinavia, and the fifth largest in Europe. Worldwide, Skanska employs 29,000 and generates Sw Kr 30 billion (U.S. $5.217 billion).

Insituform Group Ltd., through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, owns the world-wide rights to a system of pipeline and conduit rehabilitation known as the Insituform (R) Process. With more than 18,000 successfully completed contracts in over 40 countries, Insituform retains market lead, having renovated in excess of 4,000 km of pipeline to date.

By eliminating the need for disruptive excavation, the Insituform Process

provides a cost-effective solution to the problem of deteriorating pipe systems. A flexible non-woven fiber tube (Insitutube (R)), impregnated with a liquid resin, is inverted by water pressure through the damaged pipe and is forced firmly against the inside of the pipe. The resin is then cured, either by hot water or high frequency light, creating a durable new structural pipe within the old.

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OAKLAND, CALIF. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream Inc. (OTC:DRYR) reported strong sales and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 29, according to T. Gary Rogers, chairman.

Consolidated net sales for the thirteen week period were $93,534,000, compared with $66,872,000 in 1989, an increase of 40 percent. Net sales for the first thirty-nine weeks of 1990 were $239,790,000 compared with $175,726,000 for the like period last year, an increase of 36 percent.

Net income for the third quarter totalled $4,399,000, or 30 cents per fully diluted common share. This represents a 36 percent increase in net income from the $3,224,000, or 24 cents per share, achieved in the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the first three quarters of the year was $10,306,000, or 74 cents per fully diluted common share, compared with income before extraordinary item of $7,690,000, or 59 cents per share in 1989. Net income for the thirty-nine weeks ended Sept. 30, 1989 was $9,598,000, or 71 cents per share, which included and extraordinary item of $1,908,000.

During the quarter the company's $50 million convertable subordinated debenture was converted into common stock.

Per share amounts for 1989 and 1990 have been restated to give retroactive effect to the company's 100 percent stock dividend distributed to stockholders on Oct. 1.

The increase in earnings for the quarter was primarily the result of strong sales growth accompanied by a higher gross margin and lower interest expense when compared to the like period in 1989. These improvements were partially offset by a somewhat higher ratio of selling, general and administrative expenses to sales and a higher income tax rate.

Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream Inc. manufactures and distributes a line of premium quality ice creams and other premium dairy-based products made only from the finest ingredients available.

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TORRANCE, CA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - MDT Corp. (NASDAQ:MDTC) Tuesday reported that sales and earnings of $26 million and $382,000, respectively, for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, represented increases of $1,475,000, or 6 percent, and $252,000, or 194 percent, respectively, over sales and earnings for the same quarter a year earlier.

The company also reported that bookings of $27.5 million for the most recent quarter represented an increase of $4.42 million, or 19 percent, over bookings for the same quarter a year earlier.

Additionally, the company reported that gross profit margin of 30.9 percent in the current quarter compared with 30.6 percent and 28.9 percent in the quarters ended June 30, 1990, and Sept. 30, 1989, respectively.

Thomas Hein, vice president for finance and chief financial officer, said that bookings for the current quarter reflected solid demand for products recently introduced and improved demand for hospital equipment generally.

He said that sales for the quarter reflected continuing slower shipments of new products, which are increasingly replacing established products in the order mix and which are not yet contributing to improved gross profit margin. Hein continued that the second quarter report to stockholders would be mailed on or about Nov. 12, 1990.

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NEW YORK, N.Y. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Management Technologies Corp. (''IMTECH'') (NASDAQ:IMTKA (common), IMTKU (units), IMTKW (warrants) Tuesday announced that Merrill Lynch and the American Stock Exchange have installed its PC-based optical data storage product ''COINS'' (Computer Output INformation System).

Pierce Lowrey, Chief Executive Officer of IMTECH commented, ''In these two applications, COINS will be used to store and retrieve high activity computer

output reports. COINS allows computer output to be stored, retrieved, and viewed or printed, eliminating the need for paper copies, computer output microfilm or expensive magnetic storage.''

IMTECH provides on-site and off-site ''outsourcing'' of a wide range of back office services to firms in the service sector. These services include an optical data storage system - Computer Output INformation System (COINS), electronic publishing, fulfillment, printing, reproduction and general mail room operations. IMTECH's information facilities management (''IFM'') capabilities provide companies with the ability to contract out ancillary services to reduce operating costs and improve productivity, thereby allowing management to focus on its primary corporate objectives.

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COCONUT GROVE, FLA. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - WATSCO Inc. (ASE: WSOA) Tuesday announced record revenues and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990.

In the third quarter ended September 30, 1990, revenues increased to a record $28,422,000 from $27,135,000 last year. Net income increased 52 percent to a record $816,000 from $536,000. Primary earnings per share increased to 40 cents from 28 cents, while fully-diluted earnings per share increased to 35 cents from 25 cents in the prior year's third quarter.

In the nine months ended September 30, 1990, revenues rose to a record $79,706,000, up from $71,615,000 in the first nine months of 1989. Net income increased 22% to $1,948,000 from $1,596,000 last year. Primary earnings per share increased to 98 cents from 84 cents, while fully-diluted earnings per share increased to 86 cents from 76 cents.

It should be pointed out that last year's third quarter operating results included a loss from discontinued operations of $234,000 (12 cents and 10 cents per share, respectively, on a primary and fully-diluted basis) and for the nine months, a loss of $157,000 (9 cents and 6 cents per share, respectively, on a primary and fully-diluted basis).

Revenues in both the climate control and personnel services operations increased in the third quarter and nine months as compared to the prior year. Operating income increases in climate control more than offset lower operating

income in personnel services caused by the weak economy, especially in the New England area, and start-up expenses of new offices opened during 1990.

Commenting on the fourth quarter and on Watsco's recent acquisition, Albert H. Nahmad, Chairman and President stated, ''Watsco's fourth quarter results should benefit from the Company's recent investment in Heating & Cooling Supply, Inc. Fifty percent of Heating & Cooling's earnings, from the date of investment, will be reported by Watsco under the equity method of accounting. Heating & Cooling, California's largest independent distributor of air conditioning and heating products, was acquired by Watsco and Rheem Manufacturing Company on October 15, 1990.

''In 1989, Watsco acquired 80 percent and Rheem acquired 20 percent of Gemaire Distributors, Inc., the largest independent distributor of such products in Florida. With the acquisition of Heating & Cooling, Watsco is now an industry leader in California as well as Florida, the largest markets for air conditioning and heating products in the United States. This growing presence in the climate control industry has enabled Watsco to achieve record revenues and earnings thus far in 1990, despite the existing well-known problems in the national economy. An economic recovery, particularly in Florida and California, should increase operating results even more dramatically in the future.''

Watsco participates in the climate control industry through various manufacturing and distribution subsidiaries. In addition, the Company participates in the personnel services industry through its Dunhill Personnel System Inc. subsidiary.

Watsco Inc.
Financial Highlights
Quarter Ended September 30,

	1990	1989
Revenues	$28,422,000	$27,135,000
Income from continuing operations	$816,000	$770,000
Loss from discontinued Operations	--	(234,000)
Net Income	$816,000	$536,000
Primary Earnings (loss) per share:		
Continuing Operations	$.40	$.40
Discontinued Operations	--	(.12)
Net income	$.40	$.28
Fully-diluted Earnings (loss) Per Share:		
Continuing Operations	$.35	$.35
Discontinued Operations	--	(.10)
Net income	$.35	$.25
Shares used for earnings per share:		
Primary	2,005,915	1,881,861

Fully-diluted	2,588,626	2,468,023	T

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$79,706,000	$71,615,000
Income from continuing operations	$1,948,000	$1,753,000
Loss from discontinued operations	--	(157,000)
Net Income	$1,948,000	$1,596,000
Primary Earnings (Loss) Per Share:		
Continuing Operations	$.98	$.93
Discontinued Operations	--	(.09)
Net income	$.98	$.84
Fully-diluted earnings (Loss) Per Share:		
Continuing Operations	$.86	$.82
Discontinued	(.06)	$.76
Shares used for earnings per share:		
Primary	1,946,064	1,858,824
Fully-diluted	2,548,926	2,442,468

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BEACHWOOD, OHIO (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Horizon Financial Services Inc. (NASDAQ:HFIN) reported sharply higher earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the quarter was $328,364 or 20 cents per share compared with $113,936 or 7 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $917,093 or 55 cents per share compared with $489,403 or 30 cents per share during the like period in 1989.

The increase in year-to-date earnings also reflected improvement in two other factors: lower operating expenses and higher non-interest income. Through September, operating expenses declined $136,619 while other fees and income rose $342,899. Fritzsche commented, ''We've been successful at containing expenses and increasing non-interest income this year. The cost of running a savings and loan has risen significantly since regulations were imposed

mandating increases in deposit insurance premiums, supervisory and examination costs, and declines in FHLB stock dividends. Our earnings could have been even higher (by nearly 9 cents per share) if not for those factors.''

In other developments, chairman of the board, Donald S. Manning, reported that Horizon's investment banker, McDonald & Company Securities Inc., advised the board that the deteriorating stock market has diminished acquisition interest in financial institutions.

McDonald was retained by Horizon in March 1990 to advise the company on strategies for maximizing shareholder value. Those strategies included the sale of the company as well as expansion through internal growth, acquisition, merger or branch purchases. Following a review and solicitation of acquisition proposals, McDonald concluded that until the general market atmosphere and particularly the market valuation of financial stocks improves, the ability to arrange an acquisition of Horizon at reasonable terms appears to be difficult. The board of directors has decided to cease active solicitations of acquisition interest at this time and to have McDonald continue to monitor the markets and opportunities for Horizon. Manning commented, ''Our obligation to explore all strategic issues and options for the company is unchanged.''

Horizon Financial Services is the holding company for Horizon Savings and Loan and Horizon Financial Insurance Agency. Horizon provides a variety of investment and lending services through seven offices in the Greater Cleveland area.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - First Central Financial Corp. (ASE:FCC) has entered into an agreement with The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Co. (NYSE:HSB) that will enable First Central to issue and underwrite insurance for business systems and boilers and machinery for new and existing clients.

Martin J. Simon, chairman and president of Lynbrook, N.Y.-based First Central, announced the agreement Tuesday at a breakfast meeting with security analysts at Hotel Inter-Continental, New York CIty.

Under the agreement, First Central will issue and underwrite insurance for business systems including mechanical, electrical, computer and telephone systems as well as for boilers and machinery in its commercial insurance packages.

The coverage will be reinsured by The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Co., and Hartford Steam Boiler will handle all related engineering, inspection, loss control and claims.

On the basis of its financial strength and overall operations, First Central's wholly owned subsidiary, First Central Insurance Co., is rated A (Excellent) by A.M. Best & Co., a major insurance industry rating organization.

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SEOUL, S. KOREA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Goldstar Co. Ltd. and U.S.-based Bull HN Information Systems Inc. Tuesday announced the signing of a protocol agreement under which the two companies will examine ways in which they might expand their current business relationship to enable them to aggressively expand their marketing efforts in the Republic of Korea and possibly, throughout Asia.

In recognition of the importance of the agreement, Roland Pampel, president and CEO of Bull HN is meeting with C.K. Koo, chairman of Lucky-Goldstar Group, T.H. Hahn, president and other officers to discuss the agreement's implementation.

Under the agreement, Goldstar and Bull will study ways to enhance their market presence in Korea by having Goldstar manufacture, market and service an expanded range of Bull products. Bull would provide technical and marketing support. The agreement calls for exploring more than a typical country distributor relationship since it enables the two companies to examine ways of closely coordinating their efforts to jointly meet the needs of the market.

In addition, the protocol agreement calls for the two companies to examine other joint marketing opportunities in the Asian market and evaluate the potential for other joint marketing efforts outside of Korea.

Groupe Bull, comprised of Bull SA France and Bull International SA, U.S. based Bull HN Information Systems Inc. and Zenith Data Systems Corp., provides information systems to customers around the world. Its products range from portable to mainframe computers, software and services using both open and proprietary operating systems. With more than 47,000 employees in 90 countries and combined revenues of approximately $6.5 billion, Groupe Bull is among the top ten computer companies in the world.

The Lucky-Goldstar group is comprised of four distinct company entities: chemical & resources, electric & electronics, trade & finance and construction & services, around the world. Its products include home appliances, finance, mining, oil refinery and manufacturing of personal computers, terminals, minicomputers, distribution of mainframe comptuers including software and services. With more than 100,000 employees worldwide, and combined revenues of approximately $23 billion, Lucky-Goldstar group is among the top three companies in Korea.

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WAYNE, PA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - ECC International Corp. (NYSE:ECC) Tuesday reported record operating results for the fiscal 1991 first quarter ended Sept. 30.

For the fiscal 1991 first quarter, ECC reported record first quarter net operating income of $1,145,000, or 20 cents per share, on sales of $15,506,000. In the year-ago quarter, ECC had net income of $632,000, or 11 cents per share, on sales of $12,664,000.

George W. Murphy, ECC International's President and CEO, stated that, ''Despite the contraction in overall defense spending for 1991, the strength of ECC International's backlog position and its participation in new as well as currently fielded weapons systems programs uniquely positions the company to achieve solid results during the remainder of fiscal 1991.''

The company's backlog, including production options, was $175,071,000 at Sept. 30.

Per share results in the fiscal 1991 and 1990 first quarter periods are based respectively on 5,788,414 and 5,687,915 average common shares outstanding.

ECC International Corp. is a world leader in the design, research and production of simulators and related training programs for crew, operator and maintenance training. Through its headquarters and Instructional Systems Development Group in Wayne; its Systems Design and Production Center in Orlando, Fla.; and through a wholly owned subsidiary, ECC Simulation Limited in Shoreham, England, the company provides a wide range of products and services used by all branches of the U.S. Department of Defense and by armed forces in 25 foreign countries.

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NATICK, MASS. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Prime Computer Inc. Tuesday announced the addition of two entry-level systems which extends the company's new generation of 50 Series systems -- the 5000 Series -- to four models announced since September.

The 5310 system and the 5330 system are self-contained, desk-side models which provide a lower-priced entry point into the firm's new powerful 5000 Series. The systems deliver approximately 47 percent better price/performance than the 2850 system and the 2950 system they replace, and support up to 64 and 128 directly-connected users, respectively.

The 5310 system and the 5330 system join two other models within the 5000 Series family -- the 5320 system and the 5340 system -- based on state-of-the-art complementary metal oxide semiconductor (CMOS) technology. This technology allows the entire CPU logic of 5000 Series systems to be contained on one board instead of up to five, as required with the systems they replace. The result is up to 83 percent increased performance with the need for less power, less cooling and approximately half the floor space.

Packaged in the 5000 Series new ''No Trade In Required'' modular packaging, system capability can be increased incrementally by re-orienting the systems from vertical to horizontal and snapping on additional modules for greater configuration flexibility. The 5310 system can be upgraded by ''swapping in'' a more powerful 5330 or 5340 system CPU.

The 5310 system and the 5330 system are available immediately.

''These new systems are impressive solutions to users who require superb multi-user performance,'' said Richard B. Snyder, president and general manager of Prime's Computer Systems Business Unit. ''They also provide a new low-priced entry point to users who want to take advantage of the benefits delivered through CMOS technology and the modular packaging available in the firm's new 5000 Series systems.''

Prime Computer Inc., with headquarters in Natick, Mass., is a worldwide supplier of integrated system solutions for proprietary-based and open systems applications to selected end-user markets. The company's Computer Systems Business Unit is the leading worldwide supplier in the PICK data management marketplace, and a major supplier of commercial servers, networks and minicomputers.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM Tuesday announced enhancements to its multimedia offerings that, for example, allow users of the award-winning Audio Visual Connection(a) (AVC(a)) software to create full-motion video presentations on the IBM Personal System/2(a) (PS/2(a)).

AVC is one of IBM's line of multimedia products that gives customers the ability to handle images, audio, text, video, touch and integrated data processing. The new AVC 1.03 now provides touchscreen capabilities for ease of use in authoring and viewing multimedia presentations in all these media forms.

IBM also announced enhancements to its M-Control Program, the software which enables full-motion video presentations using the M-Motion Video Adapter/A -- IBM's full-motion video card. M-Control Program/2 now supports Microsoft Windows 3.0, and improves the speed of performance in its primary operating environment, Operating System/2(a) (OS/2(a)) Presentation Manager .

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Borden, Inc. (NYSE:BN) Tuesday reported 1990 third quarter net income of $107.8 million, or 73 cents per share, compared with a 1989 third quarter net loss of $303.4 million, or $2.05 per share.

Income in the 1990 third quarter increased $6.9 million, or 6.8 percent, and earnings per share rose by 7.4 percent from the prior year, after excluding a $570.7 million pretax charge ($404.4 million after-tax, or $2.73 per share) in the 1989 third quarter to cover the cost of a corporatewide reconfiguration program. Sales declined 1.8 percent to $1.94 billion, from $1.98 billion in the 1989 third quarter, primarily due to the divestment of several domestic businesses.

For the first nine months of 1990, Borden reported net income of $261.3 million, or $1.77 per share, compared with a net loss of $160.5 million, or $1.08 per share for the same period of 1989. Excluding the 1989 reconfiguration charge, the Company posted improvements of 7.1 percent in net income and 7.3 percent in earnings per share for the nine-month period versus

the same period of 1989. Nine-month 1990 sales were up 0.9 percent to $5.74 billion, from $5.68 billion for the nine-month 1989 period.

Operating income in the 1990 third quarter was up 8.3 percent to $225.0 million from $207.7 million in the 1989 third quarter.

The Grocery and Specialty Products Division increased operating income 7.3 percent in the 1990 third quarter. Sales of $559.3 million were down 4.6 percent from $586.3 million in the prior year period, reflecting the divestments of the Krylon and Galloway-West businesses. The division had improved third quarter sales and earnings in its North American pasta operations, led by strong advances in the Creamette and Prince pasta units. The division also had sales and income gains in its niche grocery products, led by Borden and Lite-line cheese, ReaLemon lemon juice, None Such mincemeat, Wyler's and Steero bouillon, and Mrs. Grass dry soup mixes.

In the Snacks and International Consumer Products Division, 1990 third quarter operating income increased 5.7 percent, and sales of $500.7 million were up 12.9 percent from $443.6 million in the prior year period. North American snacks earnings benefited from improved sales volumes and reduced manufacturing and administrative costs. Advances were posted by the Wise Foods Humpty Dumpty, Clover Club and Moore's snack units. The division also reported higher sales and income from Sooner Snacks in the United Kingdom, its German sweet baked snacks business and the Gallina Blanca joint venture in Spain that nation's leading producer of bouillon and soups.

In the Dairy Division, operating income was up 24.6 percent from the depressed 1989 third quarter. Sales were down 17.1 percent to $436.0 million from $525.9 million in the year-ago period, reflecting the withdrawal from selected geographic markets and the 1989 divestment of the butter business. The division had income gains in nearly all of its ongoing regional dairy businesses as its restructuring and reconfiguration efforts continued to improve operating efficiencies.

For the worldwide Packaging and Industrial Products Division, third quarter 1990 operating income was up 6.6 percent; sales of $446.6 million were 5.9 percent higher than $421.7 million in the 1989 third quarter. There were significant sales and income improvements in European wallcoverings and plastics packaging, including the FIAP Group acquired in September 1989. Worldwide specialty resins and foundry materials also reported higher third quarter sales and earnings.

Borden, Inc. is a worldwide producer of foods, non-food consumer products, and packaging and industrial products, with worldwide sales of $7.7 billion in 1989. Borden ranks number one in the world in pasta, wallcoverings, forest products adhesives and vinyl foodwrap films; number one in U.S. dairy; number two in salty snacks in North America; and number one or two, nationally or regionally, with 40 brands in 26 niche grocery categories.

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ZAANDAM, NETHERLANDS (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Koninklijke Ahold NV, one of Europe's largest food retailers and one of the top ten supermarket operators in the USA, announced that at its Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held Tuesday, the shareholders adopted the Board's proposal to cancel all Koninklijke Ahold preferred stock. The holders of Ahold's preferred stock had previously given their approval.

At the same meeting it was proposed to split Ahold Dfl 5.00 par value common shares into two Dfl 2.50 par value shares. Since the quorum required for voting on this proposal was lacking, a new meeting has been convened for Thursday, November 22, 1990. The stock-split proposal is connected with the intended listing of Ahold shares in the United States.

At the meeting the Ahold Board confirmed its earlier statement that in the third and fourth quarters net earnings will continue to rise, but that the growth rate will be less than for the first two quarters of 1990.

For 1990 as a whole, the Board maintains its expectation that net earnings will be well in excess of the comparable 1989 figures. On November 29, Ahold will publish its results for the third quarter.

Ahold's shares trade on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange and may be accessed on the Reuters Equities 2000 service under the symbol AHLN.AS and on Quotron under the symbol AHOLN.EU. They also trade in ADR form in the US (symbol 3KAHLY on the electronic OTC Bulletin Board).

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CHATTANOOGA, TN (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Dixie Yarns Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: DXYN) Tuesday announced sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, of $137,241,000 compared with sales of $138,199,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the quarter was $1,988,000, or 21 cents per share, compared

with net income of $2,654,000, or 26 cents per share, which included $162,000, or one cent per share, from the sale of two plants, for the third quarter of 1989.

Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $430,372,000 compared with $440,954,000 for 1989. Net income was $5,372,000, or 55 cents per share, compared with $9,989,000, or 95 cents per share, for 1989, which included $162,000, or one cent per share, from the plant sales.

Chairman Daniel K. Frierson commented, "The third quarter results reflect a continuation of the weakening textile economy experienced in prior quarters and margin pressures from a slowing general economy. The company continues to focus on specialty products and niche markets while improving its operations and reducing costs.

"We are looking forward to the positive results of our expanded capital expenditure programs of the last three years. We expect 1991's expenditures to reflect more nearly the level of our depreciation.

"The recently announced Ten-Year Revolving Credit and Term Loan arrangement totaling $225 million, of which approximately $20 million is being used, will provide the company with the flexibility necessary to support future strategic programs.

"Although we do not see any meaningful improvement in market conditions in the near term, Dixie is well positioned to take advantage of opportunities as they occur."

Dixie's business consists of four product categories: specialty yarns, industrial sewing threads, knit fabrics, and carpet and rug yarns. The company manufactures and markets yarns and threads from a variety of natural and man-made fibers and also processes yarns into knit fabrics.

Its products are used in the apparel, carpeting, domestics, drapery and upholstery, hosiery, industrial fabrics, transportation, and other industries.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - General Cinema Corp. (NYSE:GCN) and The Neiman Marcus Group (NYSE:NMG) Tuesday announced that they have executed a definitive merger agreement under which General Cinema will acquire all the outstanding shares of The Neiman Marcus Group common stock which it does not already own at a price of $14.40 per share in cash.

Under the merger agreement, General Cinema will make a cash tender offer for

all outstanding shares of The Neiman Marcus Group common stock not owned by General Cinema at a price of $14.40 per share. The tender offer is expected to commence on Nov. 5, 1990. General Cinema will not purchase any shares under the tender offer unless a majority of the shares of The Neiman Marcus Group common stock not owned by General Cinema are tendered.

The Neiman Marcus Group currently has 32.7 million shares of common stock outstanding, of which approximately 16.3 million are held by General Cinema and 16.4 million are publicly-held. General Cinema also holds an issue of convertible preferred stock of The Neiman Marcus Group.

If General Cinema converted the preferred, it would increase General Cinema's total equity interest in The Neiman Marcus Group common stock to approximately 60 percent.

If the tender offer is consummated, in a subsequent merger transaction The Neiman Marcus Group will become a wholly owned subsidiary of General Cinema and the remaining public shareholders of The Neiman Marcus Group will receive $14.40 in cash for each of their shares. The tender offer and the merger have an aggregate value of approximately $240 million.

The merger agreement has been approved by the boards of directors of both companies. In addition, a four-person Special Review Committee of the board of The Neiman Marcus Group, consisting of all of its directors who are unaffiliated with General Cinema, has unanimously approved the tender offer and the merger, determined that the terms of the tender offer and the merger are fair to and in the best interests of the public shareholders of The Neiman Marcus Group, and recommended that The Neiman Marcus Group's public shareholders tender their shares in the tender offer.

General Cinema, which operates one of the nation's largest theatre circuits in addition to its involvement in specialty retailing, recently announced that it expected net earnings for its fiscal year ending Oct. 31, 1990 to exceed $105 million, or $1.45 per share.

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FAIRFIELD, NJ (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The Union Corp. (NYSE: UCO) Tuesday reported revenues and earnings for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30.

Revenues for the quarter were $21,422,000 compared with $16,266,000 for the prior year, an increase of 32 percent. Net income was $2,412,000, or 31 cents per share, compared with income of $1,883,000, or 25 cents per share a year ago.

The average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding for primary earnings per share were 7,784,843 and 7,438,287 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

The outlook for the industry continues to be promising as consumer debt remains at high levels, the issuance of credit cards has increased and installment debt continues to rise. Although the present recessionary environment may make it more difficult to collect amounts due from debtors, it will also increase consumer delinquencies and the demand for effective third party collection services such as those provided by Transworld Systems and Capital Credit.

Based on these factors, Cooper added, the prospect for Transworld Systems and Capital Credit is encouraging for the remainder of fiscal 1991. The company's financial condition continues to be extremely strong and liquid, which will enable Union to fund internal growth as well as to pursue acquisition opportunities as they develop.

The company provides accounts receivable management and debt collection services on a fixed rate and contingency fee basis to a wide range of institutional, commercial and government customers through its Transworld Systems Inc. and Capital Credit Corp. subsidiaries.

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GREENWICH, CT (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The Fund American Companies Inc. (NYSE: FFC) reported consolidated net income of $120 million, or $2.34 per share on a fully diluted basis, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $89 million, or $1.54 per share, for the like period in 1989, an increase in net income of 35 percent.

The growth in income for the 1990 year-to-date as compared to the similar prior year period is due primarily to increases in realized investment gains and mortgage operations revenue.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $12 million, or three cents per share on a fully diluted basis, compared to net income of $7 million, or a loss of five cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

Book value per common share as of Sept. 30, 1990, was $34.53, a decrease of

$1.68 from the $36.21 reported as of Dec. 31, 1989, and a 47 cents decrease from the $35.00 reported as of June 30, 1990.

The reduction in book value is attributable to a year-to-date decline in appreciation on the company's investments in equity securities and unrealized losses on Fireman's Fund's trading portfolio of fixed maturities during the third quarter of 1990.

Income from continuing operations was $75 million, or $1.47 per share on a fully-diluted basis, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $64 million, or 99 cents per share, for the like period in 1989.

For the third quarter of 1990, income from continuing operations was $8 million, or a loss of 12 cent per share on a fully diluted basis, versus income of $35 million, or 64 cents per share for the comparable 1989 period.

Revenues from continuing operations were $262 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $228 million for the like period in 1989. Revenues were $60 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared to $97 million for the like period of 1989. Year-to-date income and revenues from continuing operations improved due to increased realized investment gains and mortgage operations revenue.

Realized investment losses versus prior year gains caused the declines in third quarter income and revenues. Net investment income from continuing operations for the first nine months of 1990 was $102 million, compared with $107 million for the like period in 1989. In the third quarter, net investment income was $27 million for 1990 and $36 million for 1989.

The decline in net investment income reflects a reduction in the size of Fund American's continuing operations' portfolio of common equity securities during 1990. Pretax realized investment gains totaled $54 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to $35 million in the like period of 1989.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Enron Oil & Gas Co. (NYSE: EOG) Tuesday reported net income of $8.5 million, or 11 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990. The company reported a loss of $3.3 million, or five cents per share, for the like period a year ago.

Enron Oil & Gas reported net income of $25.3 million, or 33 cents per share, for the first nine months of 1990. The company reported a loss of $8.2 million or 13 cents per share, for the same period a year ago.

Net operating revenues were $78.5 million in the recent quarter, compared to $64.4 million for the third quarter of 1989. The significant increase reflects the benefits of wellhead gas sales volumes being up 24 percent, other natural gas marketing volumes being up more than 180 percent and crude oil and condensate prices being up 37 percent in the third quarter of 1990 compared to a year ago.

"Revenues increased in spite of wellhead natural gas prices being 20 cents per thousand cubic feet (Mcf) lower in the third quarter of 1990 compared to the same period a year ago," said Forrest E. Hoglund, chairman, president, and chief executive officer of Enron Oil & Gas.

Operating expenses increased due to costs associated with new operations, higher production volumes and higher domestic dry hole and offshore lease impairment expenses, Hoglund noted. As in the second quarter of 1990, Enron Oil & Gas reported gains on property sales, with the third quarter gain being approximately $20 million pre-tax.

"These transactions reflect our willingness to sell non-core properties when the price received exceeds our expected present value of continuing to operate the property," Hoglund said. "However throughout 1990, the net of acquisitions and dispositions has added to EOG's reserve base." EOG continues to benefit from a lower effective tax rate reflecting the increased utilization of a net operating loss carryforward.

Although discretionary cash flow decreased slightly to $46.4 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared to $49.8 million a year ago, nine months discretionary cash flow totaled $159.9 million, up 27 percent from $125.8 million for the comparable period of 1989.

"Given the low wellhead natural gas price environment, we have continued the curtailment of production from shorter-lived fields," Hoglund said. "Total wellhead natural gas production for the quarter averaged 394 million cubic feet per day (MMcf/d) compared to 318 MMcf/d in the prior year.

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ZAANDAM, NETHERLANDS (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Koninklijke Ahold NV, one of Europe's largest food retailers and one of the top ten supermarket operators in the USA, announced at its Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held Tuesday, that it had signed a letter of intent with the Potraviny group from Brno, in South Moravia, Czechoslovakia.

The agreement follows the signing of a letter of intent between Ahold and

Pramen Ostrava, of North Moravia, this summer. Ahold's long-term cooperation with the Czech supermarket operators is aimed at boosting the quality and efficiency of food retailing in Czechoslovakia.

Ahold's shares trade on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange and may be accessed on the Reuters Equities 2000 service under the symbol AHLN.AS and on Quotron under the symbol AHOLN.EU. They also trade in ADR form in the US (symbol 3KAHLY on the electronic OTC Bulletin Board).

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ATLANTA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Resurgens Communications Group Inc. (ASE:RCG) Tuesday announced that revenues for the first quarter ended Sept. 30 1990, increased 40 percent to $5,853,000, compared with $4,174,000 in the year-earlier period.

Net income increased 285 percent to $231,000, or 1 cent per share, compared with $60,000, or 1 cent per share, a year ago.

Commenting on the results, John D. Phillips, president and chief executive officer, said: ''We are particularly pleased with the Company's continued rapid growth in the operator services side of our business.

''Operator services revenues were up 78 percent to $2,922,000 from $1,638,000 in our fourth quarter and up over 126 percent from the first quarter last year. Our current monthly revenue level from the operator services business has grown by over 500 percent in the past nine months.

''During the first quarter, our second and third switching centers, located in Nashville, Tenn., and San Antonio, Texas, became fully operational. Also during the first quarter, we acquired our fourth operator services center located in Reno, Nevada. This acquisition will enable us to better serve our West Coast customers. We expect our monthly revenue level to continue to accelerate in the months ahead.

''Our Southern Cellular subsidiary is the fourth largest cellular agent in the nation based on the number of cellular phone activations. At Sept. 30, 1990, Southern Cellular owned and managed 23 retail cellular stores. As the largest cellular agent in the southeast region, Southern Cellular remains well positioned for the future growth expected in the cellular industry.''

Resurgens Communications Group Inc. is a telecommunications company which processes and transmits operator-assisted long distance telephone calls from multi-telephone facilities. Through its subsidiary, Southern Cellular Telecom Inc., the company markets and services cellular telephones, facsimile machines

and other telecommunications products.

The company's common stock and debentures trade on the American Stock Exchange under the symbols RCG and RCG.A, respectively.

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ENGLEWOOD, N.J. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - ATS Money Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ATSM) announced Tuesday the chainwide installation of its ATS Cash Office System in Kohl's Department Stores.

Kohl's operates 66 department stores located in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

According to Arlene Meier, Kohl's vice president - controller, the ATS Cash Office System was chosen after careful consideration of both it and competitive systems.

''We are extremely pleased with this system. It's capabilities exceed those of the other systems evaluated.'' When asked about the return on investment of the ATS Cash Office System, Meier stated, ''We projected a return on investment in a period of no more than 12 months. We are planning to use ATS equipment in the new stores that are planned to be opened.''

The ATS Cash Office System installed in all Kohl's stores uses a Microtek ''88'' Desktop Computer connected to an ATS 537 currency counting machine and special production keyboard. The installation of the ATS Systems has allowed Kohl's to both simplify procedures and increase productivity.

Cash Office hours were reduced within weeks of installation resulting in a less than one year payback of Kohl's entire purchase.

ATS Money Systems Inc. is the leading supplier of Cash Office Automation Systems. The company provides sales and service nationally using a toll free user hotline and central service dispatch. Present users include: Target Stores, Saks Fifth Avenue, T.J. Maxx and other leading retailers.

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or
Kohl's Department Store, Menomonee Falls, Wis.
Arlene Meier, 414/783-1646
by
L.G. Zangani Inc., Flemington, N.J.

Leonardo Zangani, 201/788-9660

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc., the nation's sixth largest insurance broker, has announced the opening of an office in Omaha.

Richard M. Coffey has been named chairman and chief executive officer of Frank B. Hall & Co. of Nebraska. John B. Diesing Jr. is president and chief operating officer and James L. Arts is executive vice president.

''Frank B. Hall is a leading international insurance brokerage and employee benefits firm, which has experienced significant growth. The company has had no presence in Omaha and western Iowa.

''This is a perfect opportunity to bring the organization's full range of insurance services to the Midlands,'' said Diesing.

Coffey is an Omaha native and graduate of Creighton University. He has more than 25 years in the insurance industry, most recently with Alexander & Alexander Inc., where he was managing vice president of the Omaha office. He is on the Mid-America Council of the Boy Scouts of America, the Creighton University Business School Executive Advisory Board, the CUES Board, the Nebraska Association of Commerce and Industry Board, the Symphony board, and is president of the Omaha Clubs Board of Directors.

Also an Omaha native Diesing attended the United States Naval Academy and served four years' active duty before entering the insurance business. His 19 years' experience includes 16 years with Alexander & Alexander, where he was deputy managing vice president in Omaha. He is president of the board of directors of the College World Series Inc. and a member of the Boys Town Booster Club Board, the Junior Achievement of the Midlands Board, the Safety and Health Council of the Midlands Board and the Omaha Country Club board.

Headquartered in New York, Frank B. Hall is a leading provider of insurance brokerage and employee benefits consulting services in the United States and abroad. The company had revenues in 1989 of $384 million and has approximately 150 offices in over 50 countries.

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Paul A. Cristiano Jr., 914/742-3093

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DALLAS (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Spurred by strong growth in both its

traditional and General Motors business, EDS registered a 16 percent increase in net income and a 17 percent rise in earnings per share in the third quarter and experienced the best sales period in its 28-year history, the global information technology services company announced Tuesday.

EDS, which is based in North America and has operations in 27 countries, said that for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income rose $17.5 million to $128.4 million, compared to $110.9 million in the corresponding period last year.

Third-quarter revenue increased from $1.37 billion a year ago to $1.53 billion in 1990, an increase of $160 million, or 12 percent.

The earnings of EDS (Electronic Data Systems Corp.), a wholly owned subsidiary of General Motors Corp., are used to calculate the earnings per share of General Motors Class E common stock (NYSE: GME). Earnings per share increased 8 cents in the third quarter, from 46 cents a year ago to 54 cent in 1990.

''The third quarter was extremely successful, not only in terms of the financial numbers, but also because we were able to add to our business base and widen its reach into a number of promising new areas,'' said Les Alberthal EDS chairman, president and CEO.

The quarter was highlighted by the signing of nearly $6 billion in new contracts during a record, mid-summer sales surge that brought EDS' business commitments over the next decade to more than $17 billion from non-GM customers alone. EDS currently has more than 7,200 customers around the world.

EDS, one of the largest providers of information technology services to the energy industry, will bring its systems-integration experience and global-communications infrastructure to the relationship, while Mincom will contribute its range of software products designed to address the specific needs of capital-intensive industries.

And in Europe, EDS signed contracts with CCM Sulzer and Sulzer Diesel, the French affiliates of the Swiss Sulzer group, to handle all systems information work for the two companies, including maintenance and future applications development.

The Sulzer group manufactures and markets a broad spectrum of products, including textiles, diesel generators, pumping stations and heating and air conditioning units.

Also in the third quarter, EDS signed an agreement to acquire Systems Network Inc., a privately held company based in Ottawa, Canada. Systems Network specializes in providing information technology consulting, systems development, project management and training to the Canadian government.

In the energy area, EDS signed a five-year agreement to provide computer and communication systems, as well as other system-management services, for the Marine Spill Response Corp. (MSRC).

MSRC, a non-profit organization, will use EDS' support to develop systems for coordinating oil spill response efforts and integrating tide, current, weather spill trajectory and environmental data.

The quarter also saw the startup of EDS' development of the Billing and Accounts Receivable Systems Project (BARS) for General Motors. BARS, which will be another of the common integrated systems EDS is developing for GM, will provide a wide variety of functions, including vehicle billing, sales-incentive payment and accounts receivable.

EDS also signed a five-year agreement with GM's Cadillac Motor Car Division to provide general data-processing and telecommunications services.

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Jon Senderling, 214/661-6609

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PROVO, UT (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Novell Inc. (NASDAQ: NOVL), developer of NetWare systems software products, Tuesday announced it has certified two new IBM Personal System/2 Micro Channel computers, the PS/2 Model 90 XP 486 and PS/2 Model 95 XP 486, for use as high-performance servers or workstations in the NetWare 386 and System Fault Tolerant (SFT) and Advanced NetWare v2.15 network computing environments.

"Because of our mutual customers, Novell works closely with IBM to ensure that our technologies remain compatible," said Darrell Miller, Novell executive vice president for marketing and services.

"As a result of our continuing mutual development efforts, Novell customers can now take advantage of these powerful new IBM systems to upgrade their existing NetWare networks.

"We're impressed with these systems' performance and NetWare compatibility, and their modular architecture allows them to grow as the needs of NetWare users increase."

The two companies have worked together to provide compatibility between the following new IBM products and the NetWare environment: 16/4 Token-Ring Network Adapter/A interface card; Adapter/A for Ethernet Networks interface card; and Small Computer Systems Interface (SCSI) controllers for 80-, 160- and 320-megabyte fixed disk drives used with the PS/2 Model 90 XP 486 and PS/2 Model 95 XP 486.

This compatibility certification is the result of engineering efforts by the two companies, working within Novell's Strategic Engineering Support (SES) Program, a part of Novell's Independent Manufacturer's Support Program (IMSP).

IMSP is a certification program sponsored by Novell to assure customers that networking components from third-party hardware vendors are compatible with the NetWare network computing environment. More than 400 vendors, offering more than 1,000 products, participate in IMSP.

The SES program is designed to strengthen technical ties between Novell and leading systems vendors. Through SES, Novell and IBM are able to test prototype products together, fixing pre-release problems before products go to market and assuring customers that the latest releases of NetWare systems software and IBM platforms are compatible.

Because the new IBM platforms feature faster disk drive access than AT-bus systems, NetWare users benefit by faster server response. Another advantage for NetWare users is the SCSI bus master disk controller interface, which allows up to seven devices, typically additional hard disk drives or tape backups, to be accessed through a single SCSI adapter card.

CONTACT: Novell Inc., San Jose, Susan Lider, (408) 747-4366.

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UTICA, N.Y. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Laser Precision Corp. (NASDAQ:LASR) announced Tuesday that income from continuing operations for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 was $222,000, or 6 cents per share, compared to $566,000, or 14 cents per share, for last year's third quarter.

Revenue from continuing operations amounted to $5,063,000 vs. $5,029,000 for the prior year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30 net income from continuing operations was $843,000, or 21 cents per share, compared to $1,764,000, or 46 cents per share for the first nine months of 1989, as revenue rose to $15,321,000 from $14,798,000.

Chairman and chief executive officer David M. Goodman said that the decline in pre-tax margin from continuing operations for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 was anticipated in Laser Precision's business plan and reflects an increase in product development, sales and marketing, and other infrastructure costs to support the company's expected growth in the market for fiber optic test equipment.

He added that new bookings for fiber optic test equipment are 31 percent ahead

of bookings in the same quarter last year.

Goodman said that based on the exceptionally positive response to the company's recently-introduced Feature Finder family of fiber optic test equipment for field maintenance and diagnostics and continued strong orders for full-featured optical time domain reflectometers (OTDRs), ''We expect to report improved operating results in the fourth quarter.''

Laser Precision Corp. is a manufacturer of test and measurement instruments combining advanced optical designs with microprocessor technology. The company's products are used in fiber optic telecommunications, data communications and laser research.

LASER PRECISION CORP.
TABLE OF SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
From Continuing Operations:		
Revenues	$ 5,063,000	$ 5,029,000
Costs and Expenses:		
Cost of Sales	2,335,000	2,326,000
Operating Costs	2,381,000	1,891,000
Income Taxes	125,000	246,000
Earnings from Continuing Operations	222,000	566,000
Losses from Discontinued Operations (net of taxes):	(1,591,000)	(443,000)
Net Income (Loss)	$ (1,369,000)	$ 123,000
Earnings (Loss) Per Share:		
Continuing Operations	6 cents	14 cents
Discontinued Operations	(39 cents)	(11 cents)
Net Earnings (Loss)	(33 cents)	3 cents
Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding	4,100,650	3,900,369

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Greg Miner, 315/797-4449
or
Neil G. Berkman Associates, Los Angeles
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PROVO, UT (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Novell Inc. (NASDAQ: NOVL), developer of NetWare systems software products, Tuesday announced a new version of the NetWare Requester for OS/2, which allows workstations running IBM's new OS/2

Version 1.3 to access NetWare services.

This announcement is a result of Novell's long-standing commitment to ensure compatibility with IBM technology. "Novell and IBM have worked together over the years to bring our mutual customers reliable networking solutions," said Darrell Miller, Novell executive vice president for marketing and services.

"The NetWare Requester for OS/2 v1.3 is a result of that mutual commitment to our customers and continues our support of OS/2 workstations as one of the strategically important desktop environments."

NetWare Requester software gives OS/2 users transparent access to all NetWare features, including high-performance file, print, database and communication services, as well as comprehensive fault tolerance, security and resource accounting. OS/2 applications are fully supported without modification.

The NetWare Requester for OS/2 v1.3 includes full support for all OS/2 Application Programming Interfaces (APIs), including Named Pipes. The product allows OS/2-based workstations to act as clients on NetWare networks. It also gives OS/2-based workstations access to OS/2 distributed applications, such as Sybase's SQL Server and Lotus Notes, on OS/2 application servers.

Using the NetWare Requester for OS/2, Novell users can integrate NetWare servers and OS/2 application servers on the same network.

The NetWare Requester for OS/2 v1.3 will be available on NetWire, Novell's on-line electronic information service, two to four weeks after IBM ships OS/2 Version 1.3. It will also be provided to subscribers of Novell's NetWare UpGrade and NetWare UpDate programs.

Novell Inc. develops NetWare systems software products that manage and control the sharing of data across a variety of network computing environments, including computer workgroups, departmental networks and business-wide information systems.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Battle Mountain Gold Co. (NYSE:BMG) Monday reported third quarter 1990 net income of $4.3 million, or 5 cents per share, up 89 percent from last year's $2.3 million, or 3 cents per share.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $18.1 million, or 24 cents per share, compared with $21.3 million, or 32 cents per share, earned during the same period a year earlier, a decline of 15 percent.

Net sales for the 1990 third quarter were $37 million, up 18 percent from $31.2 million in 1989. Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $103.7 million, compared with $101 million in the first nine months of 1989.

The company's net profit margin for the first nine months of 1990 was 17 percent.

BMG Chairman Karl E. Elers said that although revenues and expenses on a line item basis showed marked increases from prior periods, resulting from the consolidation of majority owned subsidiaries, the company's earnings decrease for the nine month period primarily reflects increased provisions for unproven lease abandonments and higher cash operating costs associated with increased stripping ratios at the company's Pajingo mine in Australia.

These factors were partially offset by increased interest income from investment of proceeds from the company's earlier stock and debenture offerings and by lower income tax expense resulting from lower pretax income during the 1990 period and an unfavorable income tax adjustment taken during the 1989 period.

Battle Mountain Gold common stock trades under the symbol BMG on the New York Stock Exchange, the Australian Stock Exchange Ltd., the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, the Swiss Stock Exchanges and the Toronto Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Battle Mountain Gold, Houston, Les Van Dyke, 713/653-7248

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FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE:PIR) announced Tuesday that it has obtained waivers from its lenders of certain loan covenants applicable to the $12 a share cash tender offer it is making through its wholly owned subsidiary, Sun Acquisition Inc. for any and all outstanding shares of common stock of Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. (ASE:SBN).

In addition to the satisfaction of the financing condition, Sun Acquisition Inc. announced the waiver, with respect to any occurrence known to Sun Acquisition Inc. to be existing as of Oct. 29, 1990, of all other conditions to the consummation of the tender offer.

Sun Acquisition Inc. also announced today that it has extended the expiration date of the tender offer to 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Tuesday, Nov. 6, 1990. The previously scheduled expiration date of the tender offer had been Oct. 30, 1990.

Through the close of business on Oct. 29, 1990, approximately 578,024 shares of Sunbelt common stock had been tendered into the tender offer.

Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. is a chain of 96 lawn and garden centers with major market positions in the southwest United States. For the three months ended July 31, 1990, Sunbelt reported sales of $39,438,000 and net income of $4,891,000 or $1.24 per share.

Pier 1 Imports is North America's largest and fastest growing specialty retailer of decorative home furnishings and related items with 541 stores in 44 states and Canada. For the fiscal year ended March 3, 1990, Pier 1 Imports had sales of $517 million and income of $25.5 million.

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Robert G. Herndon, 817/878-8200
or
Makovsky & Co., New York
Allan E. Jordan or Juliet Singh, 212/532-6300

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MIAMI (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantis Group Inc. (AMEX: AGH) announced Tuesday that it has amended its complaint in its pending federal court lawsuit against Rospatch Corp., its outside general counsel and certain of its present and former officers and directors.

Tuesday's amendment to the complaint joins as a defendent Arthur Andersen & Co., the independent public accountants and auditors fomerly retained by Rospatch in connection with the preparation of financial information as presented in filings made by Rospatch with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The amended complaint alleges that the defendents violated federal securities law, including Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 10b-5, by making material misrepresentations and failing to disclose material information in the operating and financial information filed with the SEC during the period beginning March 30, 1987 and continuing through Aug. 24, 1989.

The complaint alleges that the misrepresentations and omissions had the effect of artificially increasing the price of Rospatch common stock during periods when Atlantis was purchasing Rospatch common stock in the market, resulting in damage to Atlantis.

In addition to these violations of federal securities laws, the amended complaint alleges that the misrepresentations of the defendants resulted in the breach of fiduciary duties owed by the defendents to Atlantis by virtue of Atlantis's status as a Rospatch shareholder and that the misrepresentations of the defendents perpetrated a fraud upon Atlantis.

The amended complaint alleges that independent public accountant and auditor

Arthur Andersen & Co. failed to comply with generally accepted accounting principles when acting as Rospatch's independent auditor with respect to its audited financial statments and, in its opinion as to Rospatch's financial condition, misrepresented the true financial condition of Rospatch.

On Oct. 3, Arthur Andersen & Co. was terminated as the independent public accountant and auditor for Rospatch. As of Tuesday, Arthur Andersen & Co. was terminated as the independent public accountant and auditor for Atlantis.

Atlantis Group Inc. beneficially owns 19.71 percent of the outstanding common stock of Rospatch. There are currently several other litigations pending between Atlantis and Rospatch. Atlantis, headquartered in Miami, is a diversified plastics and furniture company.

CONTACT: Atlantis Group Inc., Miami, Craig A. Brumfield, (305) 858-2200.

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IRVING, TX (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - IMCO Recycling Inc. (NASDAQ:IMRI) Tuesday reported third quarter 1990 net income of $1,675,300, 12 percent above earnings of $1,494,300 in the same quarter a year ago.

Earnings per common share in 1990's third quarter were 15 cents compared with 14 cents in the 1989 quarter.

Revenues in the third quarter this year increased to $14,529,500 from revenues of $8,286,600 in the same period of 1989.

The company's net income in the first nine months of 1990 totaled $4,268,600 or 39 cents per share compared with earnings of $4,064,900 or 42 cents per share in the 1989 period. Net income in the first three quarters of 1989 includes a non-cash charge of $299,900 or 3 cents per share.

IMCO Recycling had a weighted average of 10.9 million common shares outstanding in the first nine months this year, 12 percent above the 9.8 million shares outstanding in the 1989 period.

Revenues in the first three quarters of 1990 were $39,971,300 compared with $27,694,900 in the first nine months last year.

The amount of material processed by IMCO Recycling in 1990's third quarter totaled 107.9 million pounds, 53 percent above the third quarter 1989 level of 70.4 million pounds.

Processing volume in the first nine months this year reached 293.1 million pounds, 31 percent higher than the 223.3 million pounds processed in the same period of 1989. Tolling activity has accounted for 86 percent of volume in

1990 compared with 93 percent in the first three quarters of 1989.

IMCO Recycling is the largest independent recycler of aluminum beverage cans and their by-products in the United States and is the nation's only publicly owned firm whose activities are concentrated in the aluminum can recycling market.

CONTACT: IMCO Recycling Inc., Irving
Paul V. Dufour, 214/869-6575

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ACTON, MA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Bechtel Software announces the port of its WalkThru design animation software to Silicon Graphics' new IrisVision graphics board.

For the first time in history, personal computer users have access to the advanced, real-time, animation technology that was once available only on high-end graphics workstations.

According to Bechtel Software President John Lucas, "The IrisVision announcement represents a milestone in the evolution of engineering tools because it allows us to bring a powerful animation and visualization product like WalkThru to the personal computer environment."

WalkThru's complete functionality has been maintained in the new PC version. The software allows users to view 3-D computer models as though they already exist in the real world. By simply loading model files onto WalkThru, users can see the designs in fully shaded images and move around the model in real-time.

WalkThru is used for reviewing designs for correctness before construction to minimize change orders and reduce life cycle costs. It is also a valuable tool for business development, training and maintenance planning applications.

WalkThru's functionality includes the ability to control head and body movement, simulate the operation of objects in the model, and perform static and dynamic design interference checks automatically. When coupled with equipment from StereoGraphics Corp., the software also produces images with full depth perception.

Lucas adds, "Because of WalkThru's unique capability to interface with CAD systems such as AUTOCAD, real-time engineering animation is now available to mass markets. Just a few short years ago, this type of solution would cost more than $100,000. Today, it can be installed on an existing PC with a very small incremental investment."

WalkThru works with the following CAD systems: Bechtel Software's own 3DM, GDS from McDonnell Douglas, CALMA from Prime, IGDS from Intergraph, MicroStation from Bentley Systems, AES from IBM, CADAM from CADAM Inc., CATIA from Dassault Systems, AISYS from IASA, AutoCad from Autodesk, Dimension III from Prime Computervision, Ideas from SDRC, and IGES.

WalkThru runs on Intel-based personal computers with the IrisVision 24 bit graphics board. In addition to the PC, WalkThru runs on Silicon Graphics' Iris 4D series and IBM Risc System/6000 workstations. The PC version of WalkThru will be sold through distributors of CAD software. The software is priced at $3,995.

Headquartered in Massachusetts, Bechtel Software is a wholly-owned subsidiary of engineering/construction giant Bechtel Corp. Bechtel Software markets, sells, and supports integrated, engineering software solutions for plant design and animation, project management and control, electrical component tracking, and expert systems intelligence.

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SAN ANTONIO, TX (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Kinetic Concepts Inc. (NASDAQ: KNCI) announced Tueday that its board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend on its preferrd and common stock in the amount of three cents per share.

The third quarter dividend is payable on Nov. 19 to shareholders of record on Nov. 12. There were 835,244 shares of Kinetic Concepts' preferred and 51,011,930 shares of common stock outstanding at Sept. 30.

The company's board of directors will consider future dividends on a quarterly basis. Kinetic Concepts is a leading manufacturer and distributor of specialized therapeutic beds and a major provider of rental medical equipment to select markets worldwide.

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Howard Deichen or Terry Kerr, 512/225-4092

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FARMINGDALE, NY (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - VTX Electronics Corp. (AMEX:VTX) Tuesday announced sales and earnings for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales increased to $12,918,000 from $10,347,000 last year and net income

of $39,000 (2 cents per share) compared to last year's quarterly net income of $46,000 (2 cents per share).

VTX designs, distributes and assembles a wide variety of electronic wire, cable and related products used primarily in the data communications networking marketplace.

VTX ELECTRONICS CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statement of Income
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 12,918,000	$ 10,347,000
Income before income taxes	$ 65,000	$ 76,000
Provision for income taxes	26,000	30,000
Net income	$ 39,000	$ 46,000
Earnings per share	$ .02	$ .02
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,437,500	2,422,400

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Walter Markowitz, 516/293-9880

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#90303b0746 10/30/1990 ~Business Wire

MONTGOMERY, ALA. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The Enstar Group Inc. (OTC NASDAQ Symbol: ENST) Tuesday announced that Jay R. Kline resigned effective Oct. 29 as chairman and chief executive officer of its Enstar Specialty Retail Inc. subsidiary, as well as from his positions as an officer and director of the parent company.

The company said that Kline would remain available to consult with Enstar Specialty Retail for a period of six months in accordance with provisions of his employment arrangements.

Nimrod T. Frazer, chairman and acting president and chief executive officer of Enstar said that he has great confidence and respect for James Scarborough and Morris R. Capp, the presidents of Enstar Specialty Retail's Amret Inc. and Shoe City Inc. and their abilities to continue to manage the operations without any interruption in those companies' businesses. Enstar Specialty Retail currently operates 732 stores in 10 southeastern states including 373 Shoe City stores and 359 Amret facilities under the names Simply 6, Max 10, and Bargain Town.

CONTACT: The Enstar Group Inc., Montgomery
Dee Russell, 205/270-7100

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WILMINGTON, MA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - UniFirst Corp. (NYSE:UNF), a leader in the garment service business, Tuesday announced record revenues and net income for the fiscal year ending Aug. 25, 1990.

Company revenues for the year ending Aug. 25, 1990 were $226.7 million, an increase of 6.6 percent over revenues of $212.7 million in 1989. Net income increased 23.1 percent to $14.3 million, or $1.40 per primary share and $1.34 per fully diluted share.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, revenues were $57.5 million compared with $52.4 million the year earlier. Net income was $3.5 million, or 35 cents per primary share, an increase of 17.5 percent over the $3.0 million, or 29 cents per primary share recorded in the same period in 1989. Fully diluted net income was 34 cents per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 and 29 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

Chairman Aldo Croatti said, ''All segments of UniFirst are performing well and the basic garment service industry continues to grow at a pace exceeding G.N.P.. We expect to maintain our position among the industry leaders.''

UniFirst, a pioneer in the garment service industry, serves more than 100,000 customer locations in 43 states and Canada from 100 facilities. It also operates three garment manufacturing facilities and employs more than 4,000 people.

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John Bartlett, 508/658-8888

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HOPKINTON, MASS. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - EMC Corp. announced the appointment of Daniel Butler to the position of vice president of Customer Service.

Butler assumed the duties of Paul Noble who has been made vice president of OEM Program Management.

Butler is responsible for all aspects of EMC's direct customer service network worldwide. ''We are counting on Dan's expertise to aide in the continued growth of our high-end subsystem business, as well as to support our recent introduction of Symmetrix, a new data storage system manufactured for IBM and

IBM compatible mainframe computers.

''We are confident that he will help provide the level of service our demanding customers require,'' said Jack Egan, executive vice president of EMC.''

Butler came to EMC after serving 10 years with Data General Corp. His most recent position there was that of director of Logistics Plans and Controls. Previous to that he worked for the company as area director, area manager, information systems manager, and regional manager. Butler had worked for IBM for 18 years prior to joining Data General in 1979.

Butler received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Management from Weber State College. He is also a member of the National Honor Society.

EMC Corp. supplies innovative, high performance storage products and related services for midrange and mainframe computers worldwide.

CONTACT: EMC Corp., Hopkinton
John Ryan, 508/435-1000

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CHARLESTON, SC (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - First Financial Holdings Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ:FFCH) Tuesday announced improved operating results for its year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the year increased to $6,278,432, or $1.89 per share, from $5,835,824, or $1.76 per share a year ago. For the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $1,429,784, or 43 cents per share, compared with $1,410,917, or 43 cents per share in the year earlier period.

It was also announced that at its meeting on Oct. 25, 1990, the board of directors increased its quarterly cash dividend to 14 cents per share payable Nov. 26, 1990 to stockholders of record on Nov. 9, 1990. The previous quarterly cash dividend was 12 cents per share.

Commenting on these announcements, A.L. Hutchinson Jr., president and chief executive officer said: ''Net income for Fiscal 1990 was approximately 26 percent higher than Fiscal 1989 after excluding the approximately $845,000 after tax gain on the sale of Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. (FHLMC) preferred stock in March 1989.

Net interest income for the year rose 15.96 percent to $27,811,268 compared with $23,983,695 a year ago. Gross interest margin for the year increased to 2.71 percent from 2.37 percent last year.

The common stock of First Financial Holdings Inc. is traded in the Over-The-Counter National Market System under the NASDAQ Symbol FFCH.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Loral Corp. (NYSE:LOR) has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 22 cents per share of common stock, payable on Dec. 15 to shareholders of record on Nov. 26.

Loral Corp. is a high-technology company that concentrates in defense electronics and space communications.

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WAYLAND MASS (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Candela Laser Corp. (CLZR) announced Tuesday financial results for the first quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990.

The company reported revenue of $8,349,000 for the quarter, an increase of 32 percent over revenue of $6,309,000 for the same quarter one year ago.

Net income for the quarter was $1,459,000, vs. $885,000 last year; an increase of 65 percent. Earnings per share for the first quarter were 27 cents, vs. 19 cents for the same quarter last year; an increase of 42 percent. Earnings for the quarter before the extraordinary item were $950,000, vs. $586,000; an increase of 62 percent.

The extraordinary item results from the tax benefit of a net operating loss carryforward. Earnings per share before extraordinary item were 18 cents, vs. 13 cents; an increase of 38.5 percent.

Dr. Horace W. Furumoto, chairman and CEO, stated, ''The first quarter results were right on target and represent our sixth consecutive profitable quarter. Acceptance of our products continues to be strong and we remain optimistic about the future.''

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (OCT. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - American Franchise Group Inc.

(NASDAQ:BUCS) announces the appointment of Stephen B. Grubb as president and chief executive officer of American Franchise Group Inc. and Peter T. Gaughn as president of Business Cards Tomorrow Inc.

American Franchise Group Inc. is a holding company which operates franchises throughout the United States and Canada in printing-related businesses.

Its subsidiaries include Business Cards Tomorrow, a franchise network of 93 thermography printing plants, and PrintShack International Inc., a franchise network of 87 quick-print retail stores offering offset printing and selling advertising specialty products.

Steve Grubb has been a director of the corporation since August, 1989. Grubb serves as managing director of Grubb & Williams Ltd., a merchant banking firm located in Atlanta which he co-founded in 1987. Prior to co-founding Grubb & Williams, he had founded and managed since 1982, Grubb & Co., an investment banking firm.

Peter Gaughn joined BCT as vice president of operations in August 1989 and was promoted to senior vice president in April 1990. Prior to that he was with Postal Instant Press for more than eight years as director of operations.

Wilkerson will continue to serve as chairman of the board of the American Franchise Group and will be an active director. He stated: ''I am confident that we have an outstanding management team in place and that the future is bright for our family of companies.

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William Wilkerson, 305/564-5302

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BURLINGTON, MA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Cognos Inc., (TSE:CSN; NASDAQ:COGNF) Tuesday announced its intent to support Digital Equipment Corp.'s RISC-based ULTRIX systems with its PowerHouse application development software.

According to Computer Intelligence, PowerHouse is the leading application development environment in the VAX/VMS marketplace with a 28 percent marketshare. PowerHouse fully supports Digital's Network Application Support (NAS) services and COHESION environment.

''Cognos is pleased to support ULTRIX because it is a strategic component of Digital's NAS program. This will enable our customers to develop applications using the Digital hardware platform of their choice,'' said Steven R. Sommer, Cognos vice president, marketing operations.

Marion Dancy, group manager for Digital's Application Development Systems

Group said, ''Cognos has been a valued Cooperative Marketing Program (CMP) participant for several years. It is important to Digital that Cognos will provide support for PowerHouse on Digital's new RISC-based ULTRIX systems within the COHESION environment,'' Dancy said.

Cognos markets application development software used on mid-range computers. The publicly-held company is headquartered in Ottawa, Canada, with worldwide sales, service and marketing operations in Burlington, Mass. Its PowerHouse product is used at over 16,000 installations in 68 countries.

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BOSTON (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Citizens Gas Supply Corp. (CGSC) and Seneca Resources, a subsidiary of National Fuel Gas Co. (NYSE:NFG), Tuesday formally disclosed plans for the formation of a joint venture involving long-term purchasing and sales of natural gas and asset acquisitions.

The companies intend to target natural gas gathering systems and underground storage as areas of potential investment, and to pursue long-term transportation opportunities.

The announcement followed an informal one made last night to members of the American Gas Association at a reception held at Boston's John F. Kennedy Library.

Citizens Gas Supply is an independent, Boston-based gas marketer with gas supply operations in Houston, and is a subsidiary of Citizens Energy Corp. Since it began natural gas operations in 1983, Citizens has grown to become one of the top five independent natural gas marketers in the United States.

National Fuel Gas Co., based in Buffalo, N.Y., is a public utility holding company with subsidiaries involved in natural gas pipeline and storage operations, utility distribution and exploration and production. Seneca Resources is engaged in the exploration for, and development of oil and natural gas reserves in California, the Gulf Coast and southwest areas of the United States.

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Arthur K. Coon, 716/857-7925
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TOKYO (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Texas Instruments Japan Ltd. announced Tuesday the establishment of a new Advanced Information Management business unit which will begin the marketing in Japan of TI's Computer Aided Software Engineering (CASE) product.

This advanced software development system is known as the Information Engineering Facility (IEF) TM. The new business unit complements TIJ's current businesses in seminconductors, metallurgical materials and electrical controls.

TI's IEF product is designed primarily for large computing environments which have substantial, continuing requirements for system development and maintenance. The IEF uniquely automates and integrates all stages in the development and use of information systems -- from initial planning through code generation, data base generation and maintenance.

The product's goals are to reduce the cycle time for developing complex software systems by a factor of five, to effect a fivefold increase in the productivity of systems developers, and to significantly enhance overall system quality.

The history of IEF at TI goes back some seven years. At that time, rapidly growing information systems development requirements across the MIS industry and the lack of an integrated set of tools to improve quality and productivity spurred the decision to form a dedicted organization to develop a CASE product.

Applying TI's experience in artifical intelligence and information technology, prototype systems were completed in 1983, and IEF diagramming techniques were demonstrated in 1984, and marketing was begun in 1987.

Currently, IEF has gained broad customer acceptance with more than 200 customer accounts in place worldwide. Commenting on the introduction of IEF in Japan, John Fleming, director of the Asia/Pacific region for TI's Advanced Information Management business unit, said, ''I am very excited to be able to bring TI's CASE product to the Japanese market.

Texas Instruments Inc. (NYSE:TXN), headquartered in Dallas, is a high-technology company with sales and manufacturing operations in more than 30 countries. TI develops, manufactures and markets semiconductors, defense electronics systems, software productivity tools, computer systems, industrial automation and control systems, electrical controls, metallurgical materials and consumer electronics products.

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SIERRA VISTA, AZ (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Mary Kay Ash, founder of Mary Kay Cosmetics Inc., will personally escort one of her famous pink 18-wheeler trucks on a delivery of 5,000 tubes of sunscreen and other products to the U.S. Army's Fort Huachuca in southern Arizona on Wednesday, Oct. 31.

The sunscreen, Sensitive Skin Waterproof Sunblock (SPF15), along with 1,800 men's travel-size shave creams and 3,000 ''Beauty Shape Up'' product sampler giftpacks have a retail value of more than $50,000.

They will be donated to ''Operation Stocking Stuffer,'' a Christmas project organized by spouses of soldiers already deployed in Operation Desert Shield and by the Sierra Vista Chamber of Commerce.

''We want all of our servicemen and women, especially those overseas at this time, to have as safe and happy a holiday as possible,'' Mary Kay told Fort Huachuca officers and servicemen. ''Our hearts and prayers go out to them for all they're doing for America.''

Mary Kay will be accompanied by company officials including President Richard C. Bartlett and Larry Harley, executive vice-president of Distribution.

The use, distribution and/or mention of the commercial sponsor's name, logo or trademark and the sponsor's services and/or funds by the U.S. Army does not express or imply an endorsement of the sponsor or its products and services by the U.S. Army.

Mary Kay Cosmetics Inc. is an international manufacturer of premium personal care products, which are distributed through a world-wide network of more than 200,000 independent Mary Kay beauty consultants. The privately held Dallas-based company was founded in 1963 by Mary Kay Ash and her son, Richard R. Rogers.

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SHREVEPORT, LA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Arkla Inc. (NYSE:ALG) Tuesday reported financial results for its 1990 third quarter and year-to-date.

Net income for the third quarter was $2.3 million compared to a loss of $189.0 million in 1989. After payment of preferred dividends, the third quarter net income available to common stock was $0.3 million compared to a loss of $190.9 million in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net income available to common stock was $60.2 million, or 69 cents per share, compared to a loss of $136.9 million, or ($1.61) per share, in 1989. The 1989 third quarter results included a one-time $179 million after-tax charge to earnings as a result of restructuring moves related primarily to reforming gas purchase contracts and settling take-or-pay claims.

These markedly improved results for the quarter reflect increased operating income from pipeline and distribution activities that more than offset a decrease in operating income from exploration and production that resulted from higher depletion expense and continued low wellhead gas prices.

Pipeline operating income more than tripled from last year to $24.8 million, reflecting increased throughput and margins from transportation and higher natural gas liquid prices related to higher oil prices.

Distribution operating income totaled $8.6 million, up 26 percent from 1989 primarily as a result of lower operating expenses and the continued rebound of the Houston area economy. Although exploration and production experienced a decrease in operating income, net cash flow from E&P operations increased 13 percent for the quarter, reflecting an improvement in total sales volumes.

All three of Arkla's business units experienced increased activity over last year. Pipeline throughput increased 44.4 Bcf or 28 percent, reflecting the growing role of Arkla as a transporter of gas from the midcontinent supply region to the major pipelines serving the East Coast and Midwest.

Although total distribution throughput remained unchanged, higher margin sales were up 1.3 Bcf or 3 percent primarily as a result of the improving economy in the Gulf Coast markets of Entex. Exploration and production also improved with total sales volume up 1.5 Bcfe or 8 percent and production up 0.8 Bcfe or 5 percent.

''Our business is very seasonal, and historically the second and third quarters account for only a very small part of Arkla's annual earnings; therefore our third quarter results were in line with expectations,'' said Mack McLarty, Arkla's chairman, president and chief executive officer. ''We are pleased that our performance for the quarter was significantly above last year, even after adjusting last year's results for the effect of the one-time

charges.

''If the weather stays close to normal through the winter,'' McLarty said, ''we should continue to see improvement in Arkla's earnings, especially with completion of the DEI merger which should occur shortly after the Nov. 28th shareholder vote.

''The recent upswing in gas prices, while more a seasonal effect than a response to higher oil prices, is still encouraging. We believe that with our strong reserve base, our new midcontinent pipeline expansion and our strong base of stable earnings and cash flow from distribution, Arkla is particularly well positioned to continue to take advantage of an improving market.''

Arkla Inc. is a balanced gas company engaged in the transmission, distribution exploration and production of natural gas. Its stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ALG.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Old Stone Corp. declared a regular quarterly dividend of 60 cents per share on the corporation's Series B Convertible Preferred stock.

This dividend is payable on Dec. 15, 1990 to shareholder's of record as of Dec. 1, 1990.

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DARIEN, CONN. (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Hometown Bancorporation Inc. (HTWN) the parent company of the Bank of Darien, Tuesday announced third quarter net income after extraordinary credits of $33,000 or 2 cents per share as compared to a loss of $127,000 or 7 cents per share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Extraordinary credits represent tax benefits resulting from the utilization of operating loss carryforwards. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990,

Hometown incurred a net loss of $1,914,000 or $1.08 per share. This compares to net income of $189,000 or 10 cents per share for the comparable period in 1989.

The company provided $130,000 to the allowance for possible loan losses during the third quarter bringing the total reserve to $2,570,000. Kevin E. Gage, president of Hometown stated, ''Because we are not optimistic about the near term economic outlook, we continue to closely monitor our loan porfolio. The current provision to reserve brings the ratio of loan loss reserves to total nonperforming loans up to 108 percent which is well above the industry norm.''

The company's core deposits (total deposits less certificate of deposit over $100,000) increased $9.9 million at Dec. 31, 1989 to $69.2 million at Sept. 30 1990. ''I am very pleased with the company's growth in core deposits during the first nine months of 1990. Such accounts are less rate sensitive and reflect what I believe is confidence in the financial institution and its strong capital base,'' Gage said.

Hometown Bancorporation Inc. had a primary capital to assets ratio (one measure of a bank's financial strength) at Sept. 30, 1990 of 15.91 percent. This compares to the minimum regulatory requirement of six percent.

''We continue to work towards increasing market share in core deposits. This strategy will place the company in a strong position for when general economic conditions in Connecticut improve,'' Gage said.

Hometown Bancorporation's commercial banking subsidiary, The Bank of Darien, has offices in Darien and Westport, Connecticut.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The federal Food and Drug Administration's circulatory system devices panel Monday recommended for approval Advanced Interventional Systems' (AIS) DYMER 200+ Excimer Laser Angioplasty System, the company Tuesday announced. Irvine-based AIS is the first company to receive panel approval for a laser coronary angioplasty system. The panel recommendation is for the system's use in treating lesions 20mm and longer and for ostial lesions. The panel's recommendations will be forwarded to the FDA, which will then decide whether to grant pre-market approval (PMA), which would qualify the DYMER 200+ for commercial sale.

The company will be submitting additional data on the ostial indication and will continue to cooperate fully with the FDA to secure formal PMA approval.

''The success we have experienced with the excimer laser has been gratifying '' said Robert Wall, AIS president and chief executive officer. ''Our laser system can expand the treatment horizons of interventional cardiology. This action by the panel is significant for AIS.

''We have worked hard for this and we are proud to be the first company to receive the panel's approval for a laser coronary angioplasty system.''

AIS' DYMER 200+ is used to perform percutaneous Excimer Laser Coronary Angioplasty (ELCA). During this procedure, excimer laser energy is channeled through a flexible, fiber-optic catheter to remove atherosclerotic plaque in the diseased artery. The AIS system has been shown to be particularly advantageous for coronary artery disease not well-suited to balloon angioplasty.

More than 1,000 ELCA cases have been performed with the AIS system at leading cardiovascular centers nationwide, with a reported success rate of over 90 percent.

AIS, founded in 1986, is a technological leader in the development of laser/catheter systems for cardiovascular applications.

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BOSTON (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Most defense contractors in New England appear to be moving aggressively to enter new markets and to reduce their dependence on defense spending, according to a recent survey conducted by Bank of Boston.

More than three-fourths of the 355 defense contracting firms surveyed said they have tried at least one new strategy -- most often new products and more aggressive marketing -- over the past three years to tap into non-Department of Defense markets. Bank of Boston mailed the survey to 2,000 defense contracting firms in New England.

In New England, defense accounts for 8 percent of the total goods and services produced. In Massachusetts, 8 percent of the output goes to defense while in Connecticut, the figure is 9.5 percent. More than 91 percent of the region's Department of Defense direct prime contract awards went to Connecticut and Massachusetts in 1989.

The survey disclosed that three fourths of the defense contracting companies said it wouldn't be difficult to adapt their products or services to reach new U.S. or international markets.

In fact, the survey found that the rate of exporting goods was extremely high. In the manufacturing sector of the defense economy, 21 percent of goods are being exported compared to 12 percent for U.S. manufactured goods in general. In the services industry, 25 percent is destined for foreign markets compared to only 3 percent in that sector generally.

The companies, primarily small- to mid-sized defense contractors that average 40 percent of sales to the military, are confident about their prospects in non-defense markets due to the uniqueness of their products and believe they can weather defense cutbacks, the survey found.

''This is encouraging news for the New England economy,'' said Ira Stepanian, chairman and chief executive officer of Bank of Boston. ''It illustrates the underlying strength of our economy and it shows that New England firms will find a way to prosper.''

''This resiliency among defense firms in the region is especially important since defense spending peaked about three years ago. We anticipate that defense dollars coming to New England, when adjusted for inflation, will drop by two to five percent a year over the next few years,'' said Wayne Ayers, Bank of Boston's chief economist.

''However, our survey results suggest that the move to diversify and to increase exports for this export-oriented region could assist New England in getting back on a more solid footing,'' Ayers said.

When asked if the government should provide assistance to help companies move into non-Department of Defense markets, less than half agreed. And of those favoring assistance, the preferred form of government assistance was in the area of exports, such as eliminating barriers to selling overseas.

''I was surprised and encouraged,'' said defense industry expert Herbert Roth Jr., former chairman of LFE Corp. ''While I hope my colleagues are being realistic about their non-military prospects, I am happy to point out that this optimism is in marked contrast to the attitude in New England during the 1970s.''

Bank of Boston Corp. is a New England-based superregional bank holding company with assets of $37 billion. Its major subsidiaries are The First National Bank of Boston, headquartered in Massachusetts; Casco Northern Bank, N.A. in Maine; Bank of Boston Connecticut; Rhode Island Hospital Trust National Bank and Bank of Vermont. The corporation and its subsidiaries provide a broad range of financial services to individual, corporate, institutional and government customers as well as to other banks. Its common and preferred

stocks are listed on the New York and Boston exchanges.

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WARREN, OHIO (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Second Bancorp Inc. rebounded sharply in the third quarter of 1990 to post the highest quarterly earnings in the company's history.

Eight hundred eighty-one thousand dollars in earnings for the quarter bettered the previous record quarterly earnings of $876,000 posted in the fourth quarter of 1989 and is also a substantial 19.4 percent increase over the third quarter earnings for 1989.

The improvement is a result of improved earnings from net interest income and non-interest income. Average asset size increased 6.6 percent from $418,329,000 in the third qurater of 1989 to $445,971,000 for the third quarter of 1990.

After the additional provision for loan losses in the second quarter, the reserve for loan losses stands at $3,570,000 as of Sept. 30, 1990. This amount is 91.3 percent higher than the balance of the account as of Sept. 30, 1989. The balance represents 1.12 percent of gross loans at period end.

The board of directors of Second Bancorp Inc. has declared a dividend of 23 cents per share payable Oct. 31, to shareholders of record Oct. 15. This represents a 15 percent increase in the dividends declared for the third quarter of 1989.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Borden, Inc. (NYSE: BN) Tuesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 26.5 cents per share of common stock, payable December 1 to shareholders of record November 9.

Borden, Inc. is a worldwide producer of foods, non-food consumer products, and packaging and industrial products with worldwide sales of $7.7 billion in 1989.

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DALLAS (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Diamond Shamrock Offshore Partners (NYSE: DSP), the master limited partnership of Maxus Energy Corp., reported net income of $8.4 million, or 12 cents per unit, for third quarter 1990, compared to net income of $9.4 million, or 16 cents per unit, for third quarter 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, DSP had net income of $16.7 million, or 24 cents per unit, compared to net income of $12.4 million, or 21 cents per unit, in the same period of 1989. The 1989 results included a net loss of approximately $13 million on anticipated property sales.

Sales for third quarter 1990 were $25.9 million, compared to $27.5 million a year ago. The decrease was mainly attributable to lower natural gas prices and lower volumes. Net cash provided by operating activities totaled $15.2 million in third quarter 1990, compared to $22.7 million in third quarter 1989.

For the nine-month period of 1990, sales were $79.3 million, compared to $90.3 million in the first nine months of 1989. Net cash provided by operating activities was $57.4 million in the first nine months of 1990, compared to $75.4 million in the like period last year.

Maxus Energy Corp. (NYSE: MXS), the special general partner of DSP, is an independent exploration and production company based in Dallas.

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BOSTON (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Lifetime Corp. reported Tuesday net income of $4.7 million for the third quarter of 1990 or $.52 per share, an 85 percent increase over net income in the third quarter of 1989 of $2.5 million or $0.38 per share.

Revenues of $185.0 million for the third quarter of 1990 represent a 61 percent increase over revenues of $114.9 million for the third quarter of 1989.

Income from continuing operations and before extraordinary items for the nine month periods ending September 30 increased nearly 100 percent to $12.2 million in 1990 from $6.3 million in 1989. Per share earnings increased nearly 50 percent to $1.40 from $.94 per share for the respective nine month periods. Net income of $11.2 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30 compares to $1.6 million for the same 1989 period.

Revenues increased from $328.0 million to $512.9 million for the respective 1989 and 1990 nine month periods.

Home health care revenues, which have grown 37 percent in 1990, comprise 63 percent of total revenues compared to 72 percent a year ago; institutional staffing revenues, which have decreased 16 percent in 1990, comprise 12 percent of total revenue compared to 23 percent a year ago.

The shift in revenue mix results principally from acquisitions in different sectors in late 1989. Paramedical testing revenues of $49 million in 1990 represent 10 percent of total revenues; temporary office personnel revenues of $75 million in 1990 are 15 percent of the total.

Lifetime Corp., through its Kimberly Quality Care and National Mentor subsidiaries, is one of the nation's largest providers of home health care personnel and services, psychiatric home health care, and supplemental staffing to institutions.

Through its ASB/Meditest subsidiary, Lifetime is a leading provider of paramedical examinations, pre-employment examinations, and drug screenings to insurance companies, schools, and businesses. Through its Office Angels subsidiary, Lifetime is a fast growing provider of temporary and permanent office personnel.

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WESTBURY, NY (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - E-Z-EM Inc., (NASDAQ:EZEM) announced Tuesday that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase by the company of up to 500,000 shares of its common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions from time to time, depending upon prices and market conditions.

E-Z-EM Inc. has approximately 8 million common shares outstanding. Shares repurchased will be used for employee compensation plans and other corporate purposes.

The board has also declared a cash dividend at the rate of 15 cents per share payable on Nov. 30 to shareholders of record on Nov. 16. The dividend is expected to become an annual dividend subject to yearly review of operations and financial and other conditions then prevailing.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Frisch's Restaurants Inc. (AMEX:FRS) Tuesday declared a 4 percent stock dividend payable Dec. 28, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 30.

The company previously has paid nineteen annual stock dividends starting in 1970. There were 5,372,507 common shares outstanding before the declaration of the 4 percent stock dividend.

The board of directors also authorized the repurchase of up to 500,000 shares of the company's common stock from time-to-time in open market and negotiated transactions.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - TRW Inc. announced Tuesday it has signed an agreement with a Polish automotive company to form a joint venture to assemble seat belts in Poland.

The agreement is believed to be the first such joint venture between an American automotive supplier and an Eastern European company.

The Polish company, Fabryka Samochodow Mazolitrazowych (FSM), is headquartered in Bielsko Biala and is the second largest employer in Poland. It produces, under license from Fiat, mini compact vehicles for domestic and export markets. FSM expects to make about 230,000 cars (Micro and 126 models) in 1991 and about 350,000 cars annually by 1995.

The joint venture company, TRW Poland Ltd. (TRW Polska Sp. zo.o.), is majority-owned by TRW and is expected to begin assembling front and rear seat belts by mid-1991. It will be headquartered in Czestochowa, south of Warsaw, which has a skilled and well-educated work force. About 90 people are expected to be employed by 1992.

Under terms of the agreement, TRW will provide technology and machinery for the greenfield operation and an undisclosed amount of cash. FSM will provide the plant facility. Retractor units for the seat belt systems will be supplied to the joint venture company by TRW's Italian seat belt operation in Torino.

''We are excited about this new joint venture, which allows us to participate in the growing Polish automotive market,'' says Charles L. Miller, executive

vice president and general manager for TRW Occupant Restraint Systems, TRW's business unit responsible for worldwide sales of seat belt and air bag systems.

''It marks TRW's entry into the Eastern European market,'' he adds. ''We're also exploring other opportunities to do business with Eastern European companies, especially in the automotive sector.''

Klaus Paschko has been named the general manager of the new joint venture. Paschko is a senior executive of TRW Repa, the company's operating unit for occupant restraints in Germany.

TRW Occupant Restraint Systems, headquartered in Cleveland, is the world's largest supplier of seat belt and air bag systems to the automotive industry. It employs more than 10,000 people and operates in 11 countries.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:39 that trade in Neiman-Marcus Group Inc.(NASDAQ: NMG) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

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STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in General Cinema Corp.(NASDAQ: GCN) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

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#90303c0006 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:55 that trade in ISI International Service System has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol ISI.

-30- 341

#90303c0007 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in General Cinema Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol GCN. Trading was resumed at 10:13.

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#90303c0008 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Neiman-Marcus Group Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol NMG. Trading was resumed at 10:13.

-30- 359

#90303c0010 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Electro Brain International Corp. on Oct. 10, 1990, revised its estimate of total revenues for its third quarter, ended Sept. 30, 1990, to be approximately $520,000.

The company previously had estimated total revenues for its third quarter to be in the range of $750,000 to $900,000.

Due to the delay of about 10 days in the delivery of one order of game cartridges from Nintendo, the company reports it was unable to fill certain orders until the fourth quarter of 1990, resulting in the delay of certain sales previously expected to occur in the third quarter being delayed.

The company's address is 573 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84102, and its telephone number is (801) 531-1867.

-30- 939

#90303c0011 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Joseph R. Cusumano sold 500,000 common and 100% of the Series 2 preferred shares of Health Corp. of America (TICKER: HEAC) to Preferred Health Inc., effective Oct. 12, 1990.

Additionally, Cusumano was removed from the board of directors of Health Corp. and Larry Wyatt was named the company's new president.

Wyatt, Larry Driscoll and Paul Rohlf were named directors of the company.

Driscoll was named chairman of the board.

The company's executive offices are located at 1160 West Swedesford Road, Berwyn, PA 19312-1096, and its telephone number is (215) 640-0300.

-30- 801

#90303c0012 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows ESI Industries Inc.,(TICKER: ESI) upon the recommendation of its audit committee, engaged the firm of Coopers & Lybrand as its independent accountants for 1990, replacing the firm of Ernst & Young.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90303c0013 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Zentec Corp.(TICKER: ZENT) approved the engagement of Ernst & Young as its independent accountants for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1990, replacing the firm of Price Waterhouse, dismissed effective Aug. 7, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 665

#90303c0014 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Miller Building Systems Inc.(TICKER: MTIK) earned $785,717, or $0.20 per share, on revenues of $12.58 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $628,092, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $11.71 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 495

#90303c0015 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Flexsteel Industries Inc.(TICKER: FLXS) earned $851,374, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $40.78 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $2.19 million, or $0.31 per share, on revenues of $41.49 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 499

#90303c0016 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Lowrance Electronics Inc.9TICKER: LEIX) earned $261,611, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $60.71 million for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $250,182, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $54.0 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 486
#90303c0018 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Comtech Telecommunications Corp.(TICKER: CMTL) earned $784,000, or $0.13 per share, on revenues of $18.22 million for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $612,000, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $10.59 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 501
#90303c0019 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Allen Organ Co.(TICKER: AORG) earned $872,747, or $0.59 per share, on revenues of $5.91 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $1.36 million, or $0.90 per share, on revenues of $6.12 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 484
#90303c0020 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Sunrise Preschools Inc.(TICKER: SUNR) lost $1.77 million, or $0.73 per share, on revenues of $8.73 million for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $798,835, or $0.33 per share, on revenues of $6.85 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 478
#90303c0021 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Escalade Inc.(TICKER: ESCA) lost $1.40 million, or $0.38 per share, on revenues of $17.35 million for the quarter ended Oct. 6, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $192,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $18.31 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 480
#90303c0022 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Financial Resources Marketing Corp. earned $25,859, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $45,418 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $107,692, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $183,756 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 499
#90303c0023 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the Mills-Jennings Co.(TICKER: JKPT) on Oct. 25, 1990, dismissed its former certifying accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 524
#90303c0024 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 2 1990, Article V of the by-laws of Alico Inc.(TICKER: ALCO) was amended to decrease the number of directors of the company from eight to seven.

-30- 357
#90303c0026 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Meret Inc.(TICKER: MRET).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$12,204,630	$10,348,782
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$92,500	$174,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$93,112	$353,388
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,485,015	9,305,732

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,659,604	$3,555,896
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,038,092	$941,483

-30- 1017
#90303c0027 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Edudata Corp.(TIKCER: EDTA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$81,905	$82,252
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(141,293)	$(151,195)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(126,261)	$(204,959)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,509,954	2,510,100

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,030,884	$1,139,729
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$580,064	$706,375

-30- 1018
#90303c0028 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Magnetic Technologies Corp.(TICKER: MTCC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$11,856,135	$11,893,612
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$185,175	$177,550
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$423,586	$431,749
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.55	$0.62
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,052,459	$5,348,893
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,927,796	$1,479,344

-30- 1017

#90303c0029 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Carolyn Bean Publishing Ltd.(TICKER: CBEN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,223,134	$1,095,399
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$167,062	$(215,830)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.28	$(0.65)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	603,898	331,310

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,050,226	$1,882,920
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$801,432	$413,004

-30- 1023

#90303c0030 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Intech Inc.(TICKER: INTE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 14,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,696,000	$3,383,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(305,000)	$43,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,233,000	3,256,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 14, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,980,000	$7,420,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$3,806,000	$4,703,000

-30- 999

#90303c0031 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Invention, Design Engineering Associates Inc. (TICKER: IDEA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,096,628	$6,478,611
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$177,000	$204,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$450,790	$501,248
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.21	$0.24
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,169,610	2,121,759

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,824,017	$6,854,792
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$4,865,206	$4,261,416

-30- 1084

#90303c0032 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by National HMO Corp.(TICKER: NHMO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,253,680	$6,316,970
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,818,262	$930,956
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.38	$0.19
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$16,067,052	$14,284,170
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$14,677,870	$12,859,608

-30- 978
#90303c0034 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by ComponentGuard Inc.(TICKER: PLUG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,746,666	$1,421,629
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,428,822)	$(1,390,776)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.17)	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	20,336,435	19,082,807

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,170,388	$1,700,683
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$(3,622,796)	$(368,065)

-30- 1025
#90303c0035 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 30) COMTEX - Richard Grassgreen, who resigned earlier this month as head of The Enstar Group Inc.(TICKER: ENST) after pleading guilty to securities laws violations, will receive an automobile, secretary and full retirement benefits from the Montgomery, Ala.-based financial company.

Grassgreen, who testified for the prosecution in the sentencing hearing for junk-bond king Michael Milken, resigned from Enstar Oct. 18, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The terms of his resignation specify that Grassgreen's vested company retirement benefits will not be affected, he and his wife will have continued use of a company car through Dec. 31, Grassgreen will have continued use of a company secretary until Dec. 31, and both he and the company will not disparage each other.

His resignation from company followed disclosure of a secret arrangement with Milken under which Grassgreen received certain securities from Drexel Burnham Lambert that had been earmarked for Enstar.

Milken, the creator of the market for high-risk ''junk bonds,'' pleaded guilty to six securities violations last year and is being sentenced for those crimes.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 29, 1990.

-30- 1447
#90303c0036 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 30) COMTEX - ASA Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Westboro, Mass.-based ASA International Ltd.(TICKER: ASAA), has completed the sale of its distribution-systems unit to Distribution Management Systems Inc. of Williston, Vt., for a package of cash, notes and stock valued at $1.1 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 29, 1990.

-30- 608
#90303c0037 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 30) COMTEX - American Mobile Systems Inc.(TICKER: AMSE), a Woodland Hills, Calif., mobile-communications company, has reached a preliminary agreement to acquire certain mobile radio systems owned by Johnson Communications Corp. for $1.5 million and other considerations.

Under the proposed deal, American Mobile will form two joint ventures with Johnson Communications.

The first will combine the two companies' Specialized Mobile Radio systems in central and western Florida, while the second will combine their Atlanta systems, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 29, 1990.

-30- 862

#90303c0038 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 30) COMTEX - Electro Brain International Corp., a Salt Lake City-based distributor of Nintendo electronic-game cartridges, has received a capital infusion of $1.87 million through the sale of 11 million restricted common shares to private Japanese investors.

Electro Brain has raised $2.55 million in new capital during the quarter, including $680,000 earned from the previous sale of 4 million restricted shares to another Japanese investor, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The new capital will enhance the company's ability to expand its business and participate in certain opportunities for video-game development and related entertainment fields.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 29, 1990.

-30- 950

#90303c0039 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 30) COMTEX - Hinton, Va.-based WLR Foods Inc.(TICKER: WLRF) has sold the Animal Health division of its Animal Health & Specialities Inc. subsidiary to Mac-Page Inc. of North Carolina for $2.65 million.

Following the deal, WLR will rename its Animal Health & Specialities Inc. unit to Agri-Services of Harrisonburg Inc., according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 29, 1990.

-30- 624

#90303c0040 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 30) COMTEX - HCS Acquisition Inc., a subsidiary of Watsco

Inc.(TICKER: WSO) of Coconut Grove, Fla., has acquired Heating & Cooling Supply Inc., a southern California distributor of air conditioning and heating equipment, for $24.47 million cash, 470,588 Watsco class A common shares, and a five-year, $3 million note, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 29, 1990.

-30- 622

#90303c0042 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Riverside Properties.(TICKER: RIVE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$345,801	$335,628
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$42,838	$34,704
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.22	$0.17
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,976,460	$13,190,654
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,083,906	$954,575

-30- 981

#90303c0043 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Insituform Gulf South Inc.(TICKER: IGSI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended

	June 30, 1990	July 1, 1989
REVENUES	$30,870,000	$32,465,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(131,000)	$1,201,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$0.27
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	July 1, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,458,000	$15,763,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$9,936,000	$10,067,000

-30- 993

#90303c0044 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Gemini Energy Corp.(TICKER: GEMI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Nine Months Ended	Sept. 30, 1990
REVENUES	$10,701
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(44,197)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	26,730,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,933,287
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$13,225,944

The company reports it was organized as a public shell in Nevada in 1985, and on July 17, 1989, acquired 33% working interest and 24.75% net revenue interest in proved oil and gas reserves in San Patricio County, Texas, in

connection with its issuance of 21.36 million shares of common stock to Lucros International Corp.

Thus, corresponding figures are not provided for 1989.

The company's address is P.O. Box 647, 302 Pointer Trail West, Van Buren, AR 72956, and its telephone number is (504) 474-7906.

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#90303c0045 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Refac Technology Development Corp.(TICKER: REFC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,411,059	$4,630,316
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(874,009)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$314,656	$(28,357)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,557,324	5,557,324

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,303,730	$15,860,578
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$12,800,787	$12,862,025

-30- 1092

#90303c0046 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows O'Hara Resources Ltd.(TICKER: OHRA) on May 15, 1990, engaged the accounting firm of Rennie & Co. as their independent accountants for 1990.

The company dismissed its former accountants, Yada, Tompkins, Humphries, Palmer & Co., after submission of the form 20-F report for April 30, 1989.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 714
#90303c0047 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Niagara Corp.(TICKER: NIAG) on Oct. 25, 1990, dismissed Millward & Co. as its independent accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90303c0048 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Applied DNA Systems Inc.(TICKER: ADNA) on Oct. 23, 1990, informed Deloitte & Touche the company would not reappoint Deloitte as its independent accountants.

The accounting firm of Ernst & Young were retained to audit the company's financial statements for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 739
#90303c0050 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 26, 1990, Rollform of Jamestown Inc. announced the merger of Rollform Acquisition Corp. with and into Rollform of Jamestown became effective.

The merger was approved by the stockholders of Rollform of Jamestown at their annual meeting held on Oct. 15, 1990.

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#90303c0051 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cliffs Drilling Co.(TICKER: CLDR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$24,097,000	$15,554,000

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(883,000)	$(2,890,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.52)	$(1.16)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,992,000	2,963,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$120,690,000	$128,358,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$89,984,000	$93,500,000

-30- 1023

#90303c0052 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 12, 1990, Growth Holding Co. sold 107,600 shares of the issued and outstanding common stock of Zantek Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Growth Holding.

The company sold the stock to Carl E. Banyard, Frank B. Brooks and William G. Mays.

The stock sold represents 53.8% of the total issued and outstanding shares of Zantek.

Growth Holding retains ownership of 46.2% of the outstanding shares of Zantek.

Growth Holding's executive office is located at One Oak Hill Center, Suite Pl, Westmont, Illinois 60559.

Its telephone number is (708) 655-8828.

-30- 803

#90303c0053 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 24, 1990, at a special meeting of the shareholders of the company, it approved a name change from Supreme Oil & Gas Corp.(TICKER: SUOG) to Pan American Energy Corp.

The shareholders further approved to increase the authorized common stock from 5 million shares to 100 million shares.

The shareholders are elected seven directors to the board of directors.

The company's executive office is located at P.O. Box 5615, Fresno, CA 93755-5615.

Its telephone number is (209) 225-2800.

-30- 743

#90303c0054 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 23, 1990, Mississippi Chemical appointed Arthur Andersen & Co. as its independent accountants, replacing Deloitte & Touche.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

The company's executive office is located at P.O. Box 388, Yazoo, City, Mississippi 39194-0388.

Its telephone number is (601) 746-4131.

-30- 997

#90303c0055 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 26, 1990, Champion International Corp.(TICKER: CHA) completed the sale of $50 million aggregate principal amount of its 9.21% notes due Oct. 15, 1994 and $50 million aggregate principal amount of its 9.37% notes due Oct. 15, 1995.

Net proceeds of approximately $99.99 milllion will be applied to the payment at maturity of a portion of the company's commercial paper and short-term notes which are classified as long-term debt for balance sheet purposes.

-30- 693

#90303c0056 10/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows KWA Financial Corp. has amended its articles of incorporation to change its name to Aegis Financial Corp.

It also amended its articles of incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 10 million to 100 million.

The company's executive office is located at 777 Main Street, Suite 1600, Fort Worth, Texas 76102 and its telephone number is (817) 870-1880.

-30- 608
#90303c0058 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 46

GROUP LED BY HERITAGE MEDIA CORP OF DALLAS, TX OWNS 3,275,225 SHARES (83.30%) OF POP RADIO CORP (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 26, 1990, HMSI and Heritage agreed to suspend the right of HMSI to terminate the merger agreement under Section 7.1di until the close of business on Nov. 30, 1990 and to exercise such right only if the merger has not been effected on or prior to the close of business on Nov. 30, 1990. Also, on Oct. 21, 1990, Heritage was informed that the previously disclosed notice of appeal to the order approving the settlement agreement filed by Bruce T. Dugan, was withdrawn (with prejudice) by Mr. Dugan. On the same date, the company announced that it has, on an interim basis, combined its sales force with that of Actmedia to jointly market and sell to advertisers all in-store programs and that the commissions expenses will be attributed to either the company or Actmedia depending up the product sold.

PURPOSE:

Agreement of suspension of merger termination right.

-30- 1234
#90303c0059 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

OLIVER M. MARJORIE E. BUTLER TRUSTEES OWNS 470,588 SHARES (100.00%) OF WATSCO INC (TICKER: WSO) OF HIALEAH, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The 470,588 shares of class A common stock were acquired as a result of a disposition of securities by Watsco Inc., pursuant to a stock purchase agreement by and among Watsco Inc., H&CS and HCS Acquisition Inc.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares and investment.

-30- 621
#90303c0060 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GROUP LED BY R.C. BLUM OWNS 3,325,390 SHARES (67.96%) OF URS CORP (TICKER: URS) OF SAN FRANCISCO, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 922,391 warrants.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 15 through Oct. 23, 1990, 696,582 shares were issued to R.C. Blum at a price of $4.09 to $4.77 per shares pursuant to a financing agreement of Aug. 20, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Issuance of shares.

-30- 603
#90303c0061 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPAN PARTNERS OF 218 N JEFFERSON ST, CHICAGO, IL 60606, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,550 SHARES OF STEPAN CO. (TICKER: SCL) THROUGH MESIROW INVSTMNT SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(STEPAN CO. TEL: 708 446-7500)

-30- 398
#90303c0062 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SATYA P GARG OF 33 SOUTH 10TH AVE, SUITE 120, HOPKINS, MN 55343, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,667 SHARES OF APA OPTICS INC. (TICKER: APAT) THROUGH SUMMIT INVSTMNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(APA OPTICS INC. TEL: 612 784-4995)

-30- 412
#90303c0063 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BLAIR D H & CO INC OF 44 WALL STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10005, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,500 SHARES OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 10, 1990.

(AMERICAN LIST CORP. TEL: 516 466-0602)

-30- 418
#90303c0064 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES ZELLER OF 92 GLENWOOD AVE, P O BOX 270, ONEIDA, NY 13421, HAS FILED TO SELL 835,300 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 22, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 386
#90303c0066 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROHLFFS FAMILY TRUST OF 26541 AGOURA RD STE 100, P O BOX 9840, CALABASAS CA 91372, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF PLAYERS INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: PLAY) THROUGH GRUNTAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(PLAYERS INTERNATIONAL INC TEL: 818 880-9111)

-30- 458
#90303c0067 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) COMTEX - The Bush administration is charging the failure of Congress to vote additional funds for the savings and loan bailout before it adjourned over the weekend will cost the taxpayers more money while the House Banking Committee chairman countered the agency has enough funds to continue normal operations into next year.

"We expect the RTC to run out of money early next year," a Treasury spokeswoman said. "Congress did not meet its responsibility. It will halt the

RTC case resolution process and ultimately cost the taxpayer additional dollars."

"While I would have preferred that the House vote additional short-term funding for the Resolution Trust Corporation, the agency has access to funds that will allow it to continue its work until next year," House Banking Chairman Henry Gonzalez (D-Texas) said in a statement.

RTC Chairman L. William Seidman told Congress last week a three month delay in receiving funding would add an extra $250 million to $300 million to the total thrift cleanup cost, estimated at $500 billion, including interest expenses.

The House was set to vote on a short-term financing package of $10 billion to keep the RTC running through Feb. 1991, early Sunday morning but a procedural maneuver by Illinois Democrat Frank Annunzio killed the measure. As a result, Congress will not take further action on the issue until it returns early next year.

"We have some 65 S&Ls we are going to be taking action on and we don't expect it (failure to vote new funds) will affect that," an RTC official said. "We have not fully gauged the impact yet. We are looking at where we're at, what we need and how we expect to raise those funds."

With the Nov. 6 elections looming and public resentment growing over the soaring costs of the S&L cleanup, neither Congress nor the administration wished to be linked to unpopular spending measures regarding the thrift mess.

Earlier this month Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady sent a letter to the congressional banking committees requesting an additional $40 billion to cover thrift failures through Sept. 30, 1991, the end of fiscal year 1991. This would be in addition to the $50 billion Congress authorized the RTC, the agency responsible for handling the thrift crisis, in 1989.

In his letter, Brady warned the RTC would use up $49 billion of the $50 billion by year-end and "virtually cease within the next two months unless additional funds are provided."

The Senate Banking Committee immediately approved the request but Gonzalez, citing concerns about the cost and slow pace of the cleanup, refused to act unless Brady went to Capitol Hill to defend the administration's request for the money. Brady refused twice to appear before the House Banking panel but the committee subsequently voted an additional $10 billion of funding for the RTC, which the full House failed to act on.

"We all know that the bailout is not popular, but the administration must be willing to come out of its bunkers and share the burden," Gonzalez said.

Although Congress did not vote additional funding for the RTC, Gonzalez noted

the agency has additional borrowing authority of $18.8 billion which does not fall under congressional jurisdiction and will enable it to continue to operate and sell off the assets of failed thrifts.

However, the administration said even if the RTC taps into these funds, it will still be too little to late.

"Even with the $18.8 billion, the failure of Congress to provide the additional loss funds will cause the cleanup to grind to a halt soon," said a Treasury official.

-30- 3896
#90303c0068 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MAGMA POWER CO. (TICKER: MGMA), BOUGHT 35,170 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90303c0069 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 28, 1990, the company and Kansas Power and Light Co. signed a merger agreement that was approved by the boards of both companies. KCPL has agreed to pay $32 in cash or KCPL stock for each common share of Kansas Gas & Electric Co.(TICKER: KGE) and $110 in cash for the 4.5 percent preferred, $101 for the 4.28 percent preferred and $101.54 for each 4.32 percent preferred share of Kansas Gas & Electric Co.

-30- 640
#90303c0073 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.S. GALLI OWNS 450,000 SHARES (6.40%) OF WASHINGTON BANCORP (TICKER: WBNC) OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 18, 1990 J.S. Galli purchased 450,000 shares at 1 cent per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 430
#90303c0074 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 7,180,913 SHARES (6.09%) OF PARAMOUNT COMMUNICATIONS INC (TICKER: PCI) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 27, 1990 to Oct. 26, Gamco Investors Inc.'s bought 890,700 shares at $20.36 to $38.38 each and sold 46,370 shares at $31.85 to $38.13 each.

-30- 533
#90303c0075 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 5,830,060 SHARES (12.26%) OF AFFILIATED PUBLICATIONS INC (TICKER: AFP) OF BOSTON, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 28, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. bought 613,200 shares at $1.89 to $9.50 each and sold 64,700 shares at $6.75 to $9.50 each.

-30- 511
#90303c0077 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

J.M. POSS OWNS 25,640 SHARES (.40%) OF AMTECH CORP (TICKER: AMTC) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.M. Poss may be deemed to to part of a group that holds 2,386,199 shares, representing 36.8 percent.

-30- 391
#90303c0078 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

J.T. WALTER JR OWNS 78,480 SHARES (1.20%) OF AMTECH CORP (TICKER: AMTC) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.T. Walter may be deemed to to part of a group that holds 2,386,199 shares, representing 36.8 percent.

-30- 405
#90303c0079 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

H.R. PEROT OWNS 605,419 SHARES (9.30%) OF AMTECH CORP (TICKER: AMTC) OF DALLAS TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

H.R. Perot may be deemed to to part of a group that holds 2,386,199 shares, representing 36.8 percent.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

H.R. Perot sold 50,000 shares on July 27, 1990 for $16.50 per share.

-30- 493
#90303c0080 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pier 1 announced on Oct. 30, 1990 that it has obtained waivers from its lenders of certain loan covenants applicable to its $12 per share tender offer for Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc.(TICKER: SBN), which has been extended until Nov. 6 from Oct. 30, 1990.

-30- 457
#90303c0082 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

P.B. FRITZSCHE OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS OWNS 383,600 SHARES (19.20%) OF EAC INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: EAC) OF CHICAGO, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 23, 1990, Fritzsche entered into a letter agreement with PMC Inc., Hilton Davis Chemical Co. and Dr. Ashok K. Nanda whereby P.B. Fritzsche will purchase 248,000 shares at $1.50 per share, subject to financing availability but no later than Nov. 21, 1990. P.B. Fritzsche intends to organize an investment group to finance the shares and infuse additional equity into EAC Industries Inc.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 762
#90303c0083 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

SHEET METAL WORKERS NATIONAL PENSION FUND OWNS 27,347,109 SHARES (68.03%) OF CHRONAR CORP (TICKER: CRNR) OF LAWRENCEVILLE, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Sheet Metal Workers National Pension Fund's Energetics Jungere Corp. subsidiary exercised on Oct. 12, 1990 its option granted under the technology purchase agreement to assume Chronar Corp.'s rights under the lease pertaining to Chronar's Trenton manufacturing facility where the Eureka equipment is currently housed. Sheet Metal Workers National Pension Fund and Chronar have

entered into discussions relating to a potential scaling back of Chronar's operations. NPF's nominee on Chronar Corp.'s board resigned effective Oct. 18, 1990 and that Edward E. Williams resigned as a director, CEO and President of Chronar effective Oct. 19, 1990.

-30- 1019
#90303c0084 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.K. COLEMAN OWNS 111,399 SHARES (9.98%) OF FIRST CITY BANCORP INC (TICKER: CITY) OF MURFREESBORO, TN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

W.K. Coleman is a trustee for First City Bancorp Inc.'s ESOP, which holds 95,000 shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

W.K. Coleman purchased 99,000 shares from Sept. 26 to Oct. 19, 1990 for $4.50 to $5 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares to form ESOP.

-30- 592
#90303c0086 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWNS 1,964,300 SHARES (15.00%) OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC (TICKER: LQM) OF SAN ANTONIO, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 26, 1990 Alfred D. Boyer sent a letter to Sam Barshop, chairman of La Quinta Motor Inns Inc., setting out the position of Industrial Equity Pacific LTD regarding La Quinta Motor Inns Inc.'s rights plan and board membership.

PURPOSE:

Disagreement with La Quinta Motor Inns Inc. shareholder rights plan.

-30- 701
#90303c0087 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ROWAN COMPANIES INC OWNS 750,000 SHARES (15.93%) OF SOUTH TEXAS DRILLING & EXPLORATION INC OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 24, 1990, Rowan sold for $10,000 to Robert R. Marmor, an option effective as of Aug. 30, 1990 to purchase at any time and from time to time during the period Aug. 30, 1990 to Aug. 15, 1993 at an exercise price of $.6666 per share in cash up to 750,000 shares of common stock of South Texas owned by Rowan in whole multiples of 50,000 shares.

-30- 700
#90303c0088 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY K.R. SHWAYDER OF DENVER, COLORADO OWNS 477,260 SHARES (9.00%) OF ORION FINANCIAL LTD (TICKER: ORFN) OF PASADENA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In view of the parties' recent marriage on Feb. 2, 1990, each party is the recipient beneficial owner of the others shares. The shares are held directly in the respective names and both parties have the sole power to vote and dispose of their respective shares.

PURPOSE:

Changes in beneficial ownership.

-30- 667
#90303c0089 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.R. VONFELDT OWNS 207,546 SHARES (6.00%) OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER:

SF) OF ST. LOUIS, MO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the company's stock option plans, on Dec. 21, 1988 and Aug. 31, 1989 Mr. Von Feldt was granted options to purchase 10,308 and 4,692 shares of common stock, respectively, and such options vest at a rate of 25 percent per year.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From April 3 through Sept. 20, 1990, D.R. Vonfeldt purchased 63,000 shares at a price of $4.63 to $5.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 739
#90303c0090 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 480,221 SHARES (10.61%) OF AARON RENTS INC (TICKER: ARON) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 31, 1990, Gabelli Funds Inc., formerly a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Gabelli Group Inc. was merged with GFI. Subsequent to the merger on Sept. 12, 1990, TGGI's name was changed to Gabelli Funds Inc.

-30- 560
#90303c0091 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GROUP LED BY CP HOLDINGS LTD OF WATFORD, ENGLAND OWNS 3,057,750 SHARES (21.23%) OF AMPAL AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP (TICKER: AIS) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

If the 6.25 percent cumulative convertible preferred were converted there would be 3,346,158 shares of class A stock, 22.78. On Sept. 18, 1990, Messrs.

Bernard and Gideon Schreier, who are filers, were elected to Ampal-American Israel Corp.'s board of directors.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From April 30, 1990 through Oct. 24, 1990, CP Holdings LTD purchased 180,600 shares at a price of $1.50 to $2.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

To increase CP Holding's minority interest in Ampal-American Israel Corp. and thus to increase its significance as a shareholder of Ampal-American Israel Corp.

-30- 971
#90303c0092 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GROUP LED BY CP HOLDINGS LTD OF WATFORD, ENGLAND OWNS 96,136 SHARES (5.75%) OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP (TICKER: AIS) OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

If the 6.25 percent cumulative convertible preferred were converted there would be 3,346,158 shares of class A stock, 22.78. On Sept. 18, 1990, Messrs. Bernard and Gideon Schreier, who are filers, were elected to Ampal-American Israel Corp.'s board of directors.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

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PURPOSE:

To increase CP Holding's minority interest in Ampal-American Israel Corp. and thus to increase its significance as a shareholder of Ampal-American Israel Corp.

-30- 964
#90303c0094 10/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 31) COMTEX - International Telecharge Inc.(TICKER: ITI), a Dallas-based provider of operator-assisted telephone services, has been notified by its lender, Security Pacific Business Credit Inc., that it is in

default on certain covenants of a restated 1989 loan agreement.

Security Pacific has not demanded payment of the loan but has reserved the right to do so, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

As of Oct. 26, International Telecharge had a total of $25 million available under the loan and outstanding loans of about $22.7 million.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 30, 1990.

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#90303d1200 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 30) - The Philippine government is planning to lower its domestic debt service burden as part of a package to shrink the ballooning budget deficit, the finance secretary said here Tuesday.

Jesus Estanislao said the government would also push through with other financial reforms to cut the deficit such as introducing an import levy, deregulation of oil prices and tariff restructuring.

He said the government's domestic debt amounted to about 300 billion pesos (11.65 billion dollars) compared to about 27 billion dollars in foreign debt.

However, since the foreign debt had been largely restructured to carry concessional rates and longer maturities its interest payments amounted to about 15 billion pesos (582 million dollars) a year compared to 55 billion pesos (2.14 billion dollars) for domestic debt.

The budget deficit is feared to hit 2.14 billion dollars this year and may grow to 3.3 billion dollars in 1991. Cutting it has become a major criteria for institutions and foreign governments considering giving aid to the Philippines.

Mr. Estanislao said that among measures to lower domestic debt servicing were a "better coordination of cash flows" within official institutions, noting that among the biggest buyers of government securities were the social security system and government corporations.

The government also planned to offer low-interest securities to investors, he added.

These moves would save the government about five billion pesos (194 million dollars) in 1991 and 18 billion pesos (700 million dollars) in 1992, and would also force down interest rates which have gone as high as 33 per cent due to the high-interest securities Manila was offering, he said.

The government is already committed to reducing the proposed 1991 budget by

14.3 million pesos (555 million dollars) but congress has opposed any new taxes and insists that the executive slash expenditure and increase tax revenue.

Mr. Estanislao said he was opposed to cutting public expenditure as this would jeopardize foreign assisted projects which rely on the release of counterpart funds.

He also reiterated that the government would deregulate oil prices next year, even as he warned that a war in the Gulf and resulting higher oil prices "would bring us to our knees economically."

Me. Estanislao denied that foreign exchange was being wasted on non-essential imports, saying that 90 per cent of the country's imports consisted of oil and capital goods.

-30- 2732

#90303d1640 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 30) - French consumer prices rose 0.5 percent in September, compared with 0.6 percent in August, bringing inflation to 3.1 percent since the beginning of the year, a definitive consumer price index published Tuesday by the national statistical body INSEE said.

A projection set the all-year increase in consumer prices at 3.8 percent. Food prices rose 0.2 percent in September and manufactured goods by one per cent, INSEE said. Services increased by 0.2 percent.

-30- 673

#90303d1650 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) - A Japanese consortium has pledged 1.5 million dollars toward the Freer Gallery of Art, a national museum of Asian art here.

Freer Gallery officials announced the donation Monday by the consortium, comprising the Nomura Cultural Foundation of Tokyo, the Nomura Securities Co. Ltd., and professor Ikuo Hirayama, a painter and president of the National University of Fine Art and Music.

It was the largest gift received by the gallery since it opened in 1923 as the first art museum established by the federal Smithsonian Institution. The museum was funded by a bequest from Charles Lang Freer, a Detroit, Michigan, industrialist who gave the Smithsonian his art collection, a building fund and an endowment.

The Japanese donation will finance reinstallation of the original Freer collection of 13,000 objects, most of them Asian art. The collection also includes the world's premier collection of works by U.S. painter James McNeill Whistler.

Officials said 4.5 million dollars remained to be raised for the Freer's 21-million-dollar artist renovation and expansion project which began in 1988 and is scheduled for completion in late 1992.

-30- 1367

#90303d1960 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (OCT. 30) - Domestic air routes in Australia open to all comers as of midnight Tuesday (1400 GMT) as the aviation industry is deregulated after 38 years of government-imposed duopoly control.

The Australian Government has ordered an end to two-airline domination of the industry in a bid to encourage competition in the country's relatively empty skies, ending a process begun in 1987.

As of Wednesday, operators will be free to take on the two major domestic carriers -- Ansett Airlines and the state-owned Australian Airlines -- head-on,

fixing their own fares, importing aircraft and developing niche markets.

Transport Minister Kim Beazley called deregulation Tuesday a "bold experiment" which would result in better airline services, cheaper airfares and a wider selection of services for the travelling public.

But far from leading to a scramble of small airlines, the immediate result of deregulation has been a plethora of slick advertising and a barrage of special offers from the established carriers as they try to shore up key routes.

Only Compass Airlines, floated by Bryan Gray in July, has applied to the Civil Aviation Authority for an aircraft operator's certificate, and does not plan to begin services until December 1.

CAA chairman and noted aviator Dick Smith, who fought hard for deregulation,

said he was "disappointed that on day one there is not another competitor up and running with aircraft."

Four other operators have told the CAA they would like to enter the domestic market -- Southern Cross, TransContinental, Capitol and Seeboard -- but only the first two are expected to be flying by the end of next year.

Until Wednesday, passengers in Australia have had to pay whatever the two airlines decided, nothwithstanding the occasional marketing war.

Australian, Ansett and its sister airline Eastwest -- owned by transport group TNT Ltd and Rupert Murdoch's News Corp -- have major campaigns to be launched Wednesday aimed at sewing up passenger sectors before any new operators come

on the scene.

Passengers can expect over the next few months a wide range of cheap fares on the profitable capital city runs and package deals to leisure resorts.

Ansett has more than 45 aircraft and is expected to lead the price-cutting war.

Australian Airlines, current market leader with 38 aircraft and more on order, planned to celebrate deregulation with a special champagne flight over Ayers Rock, the natural monument in the centre of Australia, at midnight, but would not be making "any sudden changes" to its operations.

Eastwest is focussing on the leisure market, switching from Fokker F-28 jets to eight British Aerospace 146s.

Compass is waiting on delivery next month of two Airbus A330-600R jets leased from Britain's Monarch Airlines to cover initial operations until five aircraft arrive from Polaris Aircraft Leasing Corp.

It plans to undercut the existing carriers by 20-50 per cent.

Transcontinental has said it will have 12 Boeing 737s in the air from mid-1991 with an emphasis on the business market.

Southern Cross plans to fly McDonnell Douglas aircraft, but is unlikely to be in the air before late next year.

-30- 3447

#90303d2100 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (OCT. 30) - China will inherit more than 70 billion Hong Kong dollars (about 10 billion U.S.) contained in a special fund when the British colony reverts to Chinese rule in 1997, government-run radio RTHK said Tuesday.

The statement, to be officially made by Financial Secretary Sir Piers Jacobs Wednesday, was aimed at allaying Chinese fears that London would hand over a bankrupt Hong Kong by going ahead with a mammoth 17 billion U.S. dollar airport and port complex, RTHK said.

The 10 billion U.S. dollar legacy would be accumulated in a fund which is China's half share of Hong Kong's government land sale income in the run-up to 1997, as stipulated in a 1984 Sino-British pact, the report said without identifying sources.

The legacy figure was nearly twice an earlier estimate made by official sources here.

#90303d2260 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 30) - The chairman of the world's largest spirit company lambasted the South Korean government here Tuesday for the high taxes it levies on Scotch whisky, threatening to take his case to the GATT.

Anthony Tennant of the British company Guinness, who is here for talks with officials, said Seoul's proposals to lower taxes on imported liquor were not satisfactory and would not stop his industry's efforts to reduce barriers.

"There are very serious obstacles to Scotch whisky in Korea for which there can be no justification, in particular I am referring to the discriminatory taxes and import duties," Mr. Tennant said at a press conference.

He had met with officials of the National Tax Administration and was meeting later Tuesday with Ministry of Trade and Industry officials.

He called for the abolition of taxes levied on imports only and said they should go by January 1, 1991.

Mr. Tennant, who said he had the support of the whole industry, the U.S. and British governments and the European Commission, said he would take his case to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade if Seoul refused to budge.

"We are seeking a fundamental restructuring of tax and duties applied to Scotch whiskies, consistent to Korea's obligation under the GATT," he said.

The proposals that the Seoul government has made "do not meet the obligations of GATT membership," he said. "Korea has no way out of the problem, having to obey the GATT rules if it wishes to remain in the GATT system."

A bottle of Scotch whisky, which usually costs six times its landed cost here now, would still cost more than four times its landed cost under the new proposals, he said.

Mr. Tennant and others traveling with him labeled South Korea as the most expensive market for foreign liquor in the developed world, echoing a complaint often heard here.

A 70-centiliter bottle of whisky retailed Tuesday for more than 92 dollars U.S. at a local store. The same bottle in the United States costs around 20 dollars.

Mr. Tennant said that South Koreans who buy a bottle of Scotch pay three times as much as in Japan, Britain and Hong Kong, four times as much as in France, Thailand and Germany and five times as much as Italy.

-30- 2460
#90303d2280 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 30) - Japan's Hitachi Metals Ltd. said Tuesday its net profit climbed 18.3 percent from a year earlier to 6.3 billion yen (46 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, a major producer of high-quality steel with activities in South Korea, the United States and Europe, said sales grew 12.2 percent to 174 billion yen (1.3 billion dollars).

Sales of special steel were unchanged at 37.8 billion yen (274 million dollars). But sales of electronics-related products rose six percent to 37.9 (275 million dollars) along with increased sales of other products.

Hitachi forecast a net profit of 12 billion yen (87 million dollars) for the year to March on sales of 350 billion yen (2.5 billion dollars).

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#90303d2300 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 30) - Japan's motor vehicle exports dropped 3.7 percent from a year earlier to 2.8 million units in the six months to September, the Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association said Wednesday.

Exports to the United States, the largest importer of Japanese cars, plunged 16.4 percent to 1.02 million vehicles, reflecting increased production by Japanese carmakers in the country and weak demand, the association said.

But exports to Europe rose 5.5 percent to 868,707 units while those to Asia advanced 9.8 percent to 281,966 units.

Of the total, passenger cars amounted to 2,133,664 units, trucks 654,720 and buses 18,973. By value, exports fell 2.5 percent to 32.14 billion dollars.

In September alone, exports surged 14.5 percent from a year earlier to 509,155 units, the association said.

Exports to the United States dropped 12.7 percent to 207,762 units. But sales to Europe inched up 2.8 percent to 134,827 units while exports to Asia climbed 10.3 percent to 52,328 units. By value, the export figure fell 0.4 per cent from September last year to 6.12 billion dollars.

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#90303d2310 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 30) - Japan said Tuesday it would slash the share of oil in its total energy supply to 45.3 percent by fiscal 2010 from 57.9 percent in fiscal 1989, by raising sharply the share of nuclear power generation.

Japan's new long-term energy-supply goal, approved at Tuesday's cabinet meeting, said nuclear power will account for 16.9 percent in 2010, up from 8.9 percent in 1989, the equivalent of 4.1 billion barrels of crude oil compared with 3.1 billion barrels last year, officials said.

Japan's dependence on non-fossil fuels, including nuclear power, will increase to 26.8 percent from 1989's 14.8 percent, it said.

The new target is aimed to reduce emissions of carbon dioxide in line with Japan's global warming prevention plan, which seeks to keep such emissions in the year 2000 at the current level, they said.

The plan, worked out by the Resources and Energy Agency, is almost identical to the long-term energy supply projection released by an advisory panel to the International Trade and Industry Ministry in June.

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#90303d2340 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (OCT. 30) - Value of the foreign assets held by Taiwan's banking units in September grew 2.39 percent over a year earlier to 75.9 billion U.S. dollars as the island's capital outflow slowed and sagging exports regained momentum, the Central Bank of China said Tuesday.

The bank's efforts to prevent the local dollar from depreciating by stabilizing it around 27.30 to the U.S dollar had also attributed to the growth in the foreign assets, which helped push Taiwan's foreign exchange reserves up to some 71 billion dollars, one of the highest in the world, the central bank said.

The foreign assets comprise foreign currencies deposited in overseas banks, claims to foreign banks, and securities bought from foreign governments and banking institutions.

Taiwan's total foreign assets shrank to 71.6 billion dollars in June as a result of persistent capital exodus during the first half year of 1990, which had sent the island's foreign exchange reserves down to 63.6 billion dollars, the bank said.

The capital flight, mainly spurred by strong buying of the greenback for fear of a fall in the Taiwan currency and expanding overseas investment by local businessmen, started to level off in July following the bank's intervention to curb currency speculation, it added.

Capital outflow registered a record 11.66 billion dollars in the first eight months of the year, surpassing a total of 8.2 billion dollars sent abroad for the whole of last year, it said.

The island's exports staged a recovery to 5.57 billion dollars in September, up 6.5 percent over a year earlier, following six consecutive monthly declines according to government statistics.

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#90303d2350 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 30) - Lower interest rates allowed Japanese firms involved in real estate and credit sales to flourish in recent years by borrowing cheap money, a new study here said.

The Tokyo Shoko Research Ltd. study said real estate and non-bank financial institutions such as credit sales companies and leasing companies were last year the largest borrowers of money, surpassing even electricity and steel firms.

Among the 100 biggest private Japanese borrowers last year were 10 real estate firms against only four during fiscal 1984, according to the report published by the Japan Economic Journal.

The study also noted that 45 per cent of the firms had doubled their borrowing in five years, including 33 financial and non-bank financial institutions.

The non-bank financial firms, profiting from lower interest rates, expanded greatly by relending mainly to securities houses and real estate companies.

The study was conducted on about 100,000 Japanese companies, excluding banks, securities firms and insurance companies, based on their accounts for the last fiscal year ending March 31.

The top 10 borrowers (percentage of growth over 1984 in brackets):

Mitsubishi Corp.: 4.83 trillion yen (32.2 bln dlrs) (178) Tokyo Electric Power: 4.65 trillion yen (31 bln dlrs) (1) Orient Corp.: 3.42 trillion yen (23 bln dlrs) (137) Orx: 2.90 trillion yen (19.3 bln dlrs) (155) Japan Leasing: 2.87 trillion yen (19.1 bln dlrs) (199) C. Itoh and Co.: 2.75 trillion yen (18.3 bln dlrs) (69) Marubeni Corp.: 2.68 trillion yen (17.8 bln drs) (36) Mitsui and Co.: 2.53 trillion yen (16.8 bln dlrs) (26) Nippon Housing Loan: 2.32 trillion yen (15.4 bln dlrs) (113) Kansai Electric Power: 2.09 trillion yen (13.9 bln dlrs) (2)

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#90303d2360 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 30) - Japanese advertising giant Dentsu Inc. said Tuesday it had agreed to acquire 40 percent of the Luxembourg-based holding company of British advertising agency Collett Dickenson Pearce for an undiclosed sum.

Dentsu said the deal, estimated to be worth around 40 million dollars, would help it to establish a European network and to expand existing ties between the two companies in handling Japanese clients in Europe.

Collet Dickenson Pearce is Britain's ninth-biggest advertising agency with billings of 270 million dollars last year. Its network includes Italy, Spain,

France, Ireland, Portugal and Turkey, along with affiliated companies in Germany, the Netherlands, Denmark, Switzerland and Austria.

Dentsu, the world's biggest advertising agency, already has ties with Young and Rubicam of the United States and Eurocom, a unit of French ad agency Havas. It also has its own agencies in the United States, Australia and Thailand.

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#90303d2400 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 30) - Japan should make efforts to build a society that places more emphasis on improving people's individual life than strengthening its national economy, the Economic Planning Agency said in a report released Tuesday.

The annual report on national life, entitled "A Society More Gentle to People '' said that technology, which has played a significant role in strengthening the economy, has at the same time worsened living conditions through waste and pollution.

In briefing Japanese reporters, agency officials said: ''Our homes have been enriched. But one step outside of the house, we are faced with narrow dangerous roads, crammed commuter trains, unorganized ugly towns, and few places in the neighborhood to relax and spend one's leisure time.''

The report stressed the need for the government to spend more on old age pensions, roads, sports and recreation centers, and public facilities for the elderly.

Regulations for city planning should be reviewed with a mind to creating harmony between areas of residence, commerce and industry, it said.

A society kind to people and to the environment can be realized, if the government takes an individual's viewpoint in adopting comprehensive policies for improving the quality of life, report said.

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#90303d2420 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (OCT. 30) - An 11-member delegation of Danish importers is to

arrive here Wednesday on a week long visit to Nepal under the joint auspices of the Nepal Chamber of Commerce (NCC) and the Danish Chamber of Commerce, NCC sources said here Tuesday

The delegation is visiting in connection with the promotion of economic and trade relations between Nepal and Denmark, and an NCC spokesman said the members were particularly interested in woollen carpets, readymade cotton garments, handicrafts, knitwear and ceramic materials from Nepal.

During the visit, the delegates will meet producers and exporters, see manufacturing and discuss purchasing arrangements, the spokesman said.

"The visit of the Danish delegation will contribute a lot to the export of Nepalese commodities to Denmark and other Scandinavian countries," the spokesman added.

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#90303d2430 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 30) - Capital investment by Japanese manufacturers grew by 23.6 per cent last year, the sharpest increase in almost 20 years, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry was quoted as saying Tuesday.

Reports said the ministry's annual report on manufacturing, due for release Thursday, showed that factories with at least 30 employees invested 14.2 trillion yen (103 billion dollars) in new plant and equipment last year. The increase from the previous year was the sharpest since 1970, the reports said.

Shipments by factories with at least four employees grew 8.9 per cent to 299 trillion yen (2,336 billion dollars), the biggest increase in 10 years, the reports said.

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#90303d2490 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (OCT. 30) - The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has taken measures to help aid recipient countries overcome problems caused by the Gulf crisis, the institution's president said here Tuesday.

"We have already set up a special working body to identify the impact on the aid recipient countries and explore possible additional measures the bank may take," Kimimasa Tarumizu told a press conference at the end of his four-day visit to Bangladesh.

He said the measures included accelerating loan applications and disbursements as well as consulting with other donor agencies.

Asked on ADB's stand on President Hussain Mohammad Ershad's dream to construct

a Jamuna multi-purpose bridge, Mr. Tarumizu said he had found the concept interesting.

"I am very impressed with the project, but since it's a symbolic international collaboration project, we need to synchronize how to finance its construction with the host government and other donor agencies like the World Bank," he said.

Construction of the bridge -- spanning 4,800 meters (15,840 feet) over the Jamuna river -- would cost a half billion dollars and would carry gas and electricity lines and include a double lane road and railway tracks.

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#90303d2790 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bonn (OCT. 30) - The unified Germany in 1991 will produce a real economic growth rate of 2 to 3 percent despite such unfavourable factors as the Gulf crisis, a world business slowdown and rising interest rates, a top industry group predicted here Tuesday.

The German Industry and Trade Council (Diht), the umbrella organisation of German industry, said it based its forecast on a recent survey taken of 17,000 companies.

Diht chief managing director Franz Schoser said that for the first time, companies in eastern Germany were included in the survey. Many of these expected their business fortunes to take a turn for the better starting in the second half of 1991, he said.

He said nearly one-half of West German companies planned to invest in eastern Germany next year. The Diht survey pointed to 1991 being a year of major investment in eastern Germany, Schoser said.

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#90303d2800 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIEGE, BELGIUM (OCT. 30) - The French GIAT-Industries company is to take over the arms activities of the Belgian Fabrique Nationale (FN) company, the main Belgian arms manufacturer, an FN spokesman said on Tuesday.

The French Groupement Industriel de l'Armament Terrestre (GIAT) said late on Monday that it would acquire "most of the FN activities in civil and military light weapons", the spokesman told AFP.

The French company will not acquire presses, the FNDI company and other minor holdings.

An agreement was due to be completed by the end of November with the Societe

Generale de Belgique (SGB) which holds 76 per cent of FN.

FN has been in a crisis since 1986. Unions have said that they favour the deal and on Monday they ended the occupation of FN factories at Herstal-Liege which had been launched in opposition to SGB preparations to seek a judicial solution.

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#90303d2940 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 30) - The French Thomson SA electronics group on Tuesday reported a half-time net loss after minorities of 270 million francs (about 48 million dollars) compared with a profit of 71 million francs in the same period of last year, the company announced on Tuesday.

The company said the loss was due to increased financial charges and lower earnings by contributing companies on a comparable basis.

The net consolidated profit was 137 million francs, down from 702 million francs.

The financial result was a loss of 729 million francs compared with a loss of 446 million francs.

Thomson CSF achieved a big improvement in its performance, but Thomson Consumer Electronics (TCE) saw its earnings fall.

Sales totalled 34.69 billion francs compared with 33.63 billion. The company forecast that sales for the whole year would be slightly above 75 billion francs, down from the 1989 figure of 76.66 billion francs.

Sales by Thomson-CSF would increase because of takeovers, but on a comparable basis the group would suffer from the effects of the Gulf crisis.

Thomson SA net profits were likely to fall mainly because of increased financial charges.

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#90303d2980 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (OCT. 30) - A weekly Lufthansa flight from Frankfurt to Vietnam's southern Ho Chi Minh City was inaugurated Tuesday, the official Nhan Dan newspaper here said.

It said a Lufthansa Boeing 747-400 had left the German city and would arrive in Ho Chi Minh City on Wednesday.

Air France had been the only Western airline operating regular flights between

Europe and Vietnam, with three a week.

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#90303d3020 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (OCT. 30) - High fuel prices due to the Gulf crisis would affect the performance of transport group TNT Ltd despite a strong first quarter profit result, its chief executive said here Tuesday.

TNT announced net first quarter earnings of 44.76 million Australian dollars (35 million U.S.), up from 12.81 million dollars (10 million U.S.) after tax and abnormal items in the previous corresponding period.

The group suffered heavily during the domestic airline pilots' dispute last year.

Sir Peter Abeles told shareholders at TNT's annual general meeting he was worried about the impact of high oil prices on customers if confrontation in the Gulf continued for another few months.

TNT chairman Fred Millar foreshadowed a flat annual profit for the global transport group despite the performance for the three months to September 30.

Mr. Millar told shareholders the board was cautious about "the next year or two", largely due to the economic downturn in Australia, though he was confident it could be offset by flow-on benefits from overseas expansion and investment.

He said the current year would be a difficult one and the group expected to achieve a consolidated profit "somewhat comparable" with the 139.88 million dollars (109 million U.S.) reported for 1989-90.

Half of TNT's earnings for the first quarter of fiscal 1990-91 came from foreign exchange gains with declining freight volumes reflected in a modest 7.4 per cent increase in revenue to 1.15 billion dollars (895 million U.S.).

Shareholders approved a proposed allotment of 200 million U.S. dollars in preference shares in the next three months to boost the corporate coffers.

The group has been undergoing an extensive expansion program in its freight operations throughout Europe.

On the eve of deregulation of Australia's domestic aviation industry, Sir Peter admitted that Ansett Airlines -- jointly owned by TNT and Rupert Murdoch's News Corp -- needed to improve yields following an industry-wide drop in the numbers of business passengers.

TNT's share price closed two cents lower at 1.66 Australian dollars.

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#90303d3040 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 30) - China is drawing from a 450-million-dollar line of credit from Madrid to buy digital telephone switching equipment from a Spanish firm, Alcatel Sesa, Spanish diplomatic sources said Tuesday.

Some 34 million dollars from the line of government and export credits, signed late last year, is to be used for the equipment, which will be installed in Shanghai, the sources said.

A contract to supply the equipment was signed September 28.

The official New China News Agency said the 118,000-line switching equipment will be delivered over two years, with 18,000 lines to be installed in the Pudong development area, across the Huangpu River from central Shanghai.

Spain won contracts to supply other telecommunication equipment in 1988 and 1989 to the central Yangtze River city of Wuhan and the east-coast province of Zhejiang, the diplomatic sources said.

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#90303d3130 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 30) - China's fourth national census has pinned down just how many people the world's most populous nation has: 1,133,682,501, the State Statistical Bureau announced Tuesday.

The figure, based on the census which ended July 1, excludes Hong Kong, Macau and the Nationalist-held island of Taiwan.

In a summary carried by the New China News Agency, the bureau said that in the 12 months preceding the end of the census, births outpaced deaths by more than three to one.

China's population was officially estimated at 1.11 billion at the end of last year, with 28.6 per cent living in urban areas.

The fourth national census since the Communist Party took power in 1949 was billed as China's biggest "social mobilization" in peacetime, involving seven million enumerators.

Western experts believe its margin of error runs into the tens of millions.

Results of the census are expected to be used to review China's social policies, including its rigid birth control policy which limits urban families to no more than one child.

The previous national census was in 1982.

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#90303d3230 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (OCT. 30) - Brierley Investments (BIL), managed by New Zealand businessman Sir Ron Brierley, has won its bid of 644 million pounds (1.1 billion dollars) for the British Mount Charlotte hotel group, BIL advisers Samuel Montagu and Co. Ltd. said on Tuesday.

Brierley launched the bid on September 24 after buying a stake of 10.1 percent from the Kuwait Investment Office, and by Tuesday mid day BIL was assured of 52.5 percent of the equity, a spokesman for the takeover panel said.

BIL has offered 73p pershare, but Mount Charlotte had rejected the offer saying that it valued the company at only 60 percent of asset value.

On Tuesday the share rose six pence to 72p.

Mount Charlotte Investments is the second-biggest British hotel chain after Trusthouse Forte. It manages more than 100 hotels with 14,000 rooms, and made a pre-tax profit of 47.6 million pounds (93 million dollars) in 1989.

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#90303d3290 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 30) - South Africa will have to abolish apartheid completely and reconsider its ties with Taiwan before China will establish normal relations with Pretoria, South Africa Foundation spokesman Gavin Lewis said Tuesday.

Kurt von Shirnding, director-general of the foundation, which acts as a mouthpiece for South African business, had those conditions spelt out to him on his visit to China last week, Mr. Lewis said.

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#90303d3450 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 30) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev will not be visiting Germany in early November, the time Bonn had foreseen but never got official confirmation for, Moscow disclosed Tuesday.

Gorbachev spokesman Vitali Ignatenko, asked about the Soviet leader's travel plans with regard to Germany, said ''I can only tell you that the president will not travel to Bonn this week''.

Bonn had originally envisaged a November 4-6 visit by the Soviet leader, a

date which the Kremlin never definitely confirmed.

Ignatenko had been asked about the Kremlin leader's travel plans amid speculation in Germany that Gorbachev, faced with pressing domestic problems, might postpone the trip.

Gorbachev just returned here on Monday evening after visits to Spain and France.

A warsaw Pact summit, also originally scheduled for November 4, has been postponed before Gorbachev's trip to Spain and France.

Gorbachev's next scheduled trip abroad is for mid-November when he will attend the Helsinki Accords summit in Paris.

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#90303d3460 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT. 30) - Kenyan dissident Koigi wa Wamwere, who has been charged with treason, says that he has been tortured in prison here, his lawyer said in an affidavit sworn before the High Court Tuesday.

Mr. Wamwere, self-proclaimed leader of the clandestine Kenya Patriotic Front (KPF), was arrested on October 8. The government said security forces had impounded a substantial amount of arms he allegedly smuggled into the country.

Kenya severed diplomatic ties with Norway on October 21, accusing it of supporting Mr. Wamwere, who fled to Scandinavia in 1987 amid a crackdown on KPF members, most of whom were detained for varying periods.

Mr. Wamwere's lawyer Japheth Shamalla filed suit Tuesday asking the High Court to order prison authorities to allow his client "reasonable and adequate facilities to brief his counsel."

Mr. Wamwere has been denied proper access to his lawyer, Mr. Shamalla said.

In an affidavit sworn before the court, Mr. Shamalla, himself a well-known government critic, said Mr. Wamwere had been "subjected to severe torture and extremely inhuman degrading treatment." He did not give details.

Mr. Wamwere was arrested on the same day as anti-government lawyers Rumba Kinuthia and Mirugi Kariuki, and Geoffrey Kuga Kariuki. All four have been charged with treason, which carries the death sentence.

Mirugi Kariuki has filed a similar suit asking to be allowed access to his lawyer, and legal sources said the other two were expected to take similar action. The suit filed on behalf of Mr. Wamwere is to be heard Thursday.

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#90303d3570 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRETORIA (OCT. 30) - The South African and Polish governments are to establish diplomatic ties in the form of "permanent offices of interests" in each other's countries, the Foreign Affairs ministry said here Tuesday.

"The two governments have been guided by the desire to develop better understanding between their two countries and peoples and to promote mutually beneficial contacts," the statement added.

A Foreign Affairs spokeswoman said the agreement, between South African Foreign Minister Pik Botha and Polish Foreign Minister Kryzysztos Skubiszewski in effect meant establishment of "full consular and diplomatic activities".

Poland is the second eastern bloc country to establish diplomatic relations with South Africa. In March, Hungary and South Africa announced that they had agreed to set up permanent missions in each other's countries.

The diplomatic breakthrough with Warsaw follows the earlier establishment of trade links between the two countries, to be cemented next week when about 100 Polish exporters stage a giant trade fair here.

Last week, South Africa also signed a trade agreement with Romania.

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#90303d3580 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SANUR BEACH, Indonesia (OCT. 30) - The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Tuesday adopted new measures designed to boost trade and investment ties between the six member countries, officials said.

ASEAN economic ministers ended two days of talks on the holiday island of Bali by agreeing on offering greater access to investors in ASEAN Industrial Joint Venture (AJIV) projects and offering more incentives, the officials said.

The ministers also adopted a new scheme for common effective preferential tariffs on selected industrial products "to facilitate the free flow of goods within ASEAN," they said in a statement.

"We are moving in the right step towards liberalising trade as well as probably even investment in the region," Philippine Secretary for Trade and Industry Jose Conception told a joint press conference.

ASEAN, formed in 1967 to promote economic cooperation in non-communist Southeast Asia, groups Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

Market integration in Western Europe, major changes in Eastern Europe and superpower rapprochements have prompted ASEAN to review its cooperation programs and to plan for a new summit in Singapore towards the end of next year when the subject of economic cooperation was expected to feature prominently, officials said.

The ministers earlier initialled an agreement amending the basic terms of the AIJV, which included allowing non-ASEAN investors to hold up to 60 per cent of equity and applying common preferential tariffs for the joint venture products in the countries involved.

Under the AIJV, companies from at least two ASEAN countries must take part in a project and the resulting products qualified for 90 per cent reduction in import tariffs in the participating countries.

There are currently eight projects under the scheme, one for manufacturing centrifugal pumps, and seven for DAF truck components.

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#90303d3600 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 30) - Japan's All Nippon Airways Co. Ltd. said Thursday its net profit soared 65.6 percent from a year earlier to 12.4 billion yen (90 million dollars) in the six months to September.

But the airline, Japan's second-biggest carrier and its largest domestic airline, revised downward its earnings forecast for the full year, citing uncertainty about fuel prices and interest rates.

Net profit in the year to March is now expected to fall 17 percent from a year earlier to 12.4 billion yen (90 million dollars) compared with an earlier forecast of 17 billion yen (123 million dollars), it said.

Operating revenue climbed 9.5 percent to 379 billion yen (2.8 billion dollars) during the six months and is projected to rise nine percent to 735 billion yen (5.3 billion dollars) in the full year, reflecting strong demand.

The number of passengers carried on domestic routes advanced 11 percent to 16.8 million while those carried on international routes jumped 34 percent to 658,466, boosted by new routes and more flights to Washington and Vienna.

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#90303d3640 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT. 30) - Former justice minister Pierre Arpaillange on Tuesday joined television boss Philippe Guilhaume by announcing that he would sue for libel after a policeman claimed he had been ordered to set up a homosexual trap to compromise them.

Mr. Guilhaume said on Monday that he was filing a complaint after inspector Jean-Marc Dufourg, of the police General Intelligence service, affirmed that he had been instructed to place a homosexual youth "in the clutches of a minister, and an audiovisual chief".

Mr. Dufourg later alleged that Mr. Arpaillange, who stepped down as minister earlier this month to take over as Auditor-General, and Mr. Guilhaume, who heads the television stations Antenne-2 and FR3, were the officials concerned.

Mr. Dufourg has been suspended in connection with an investigation into the mysterious disappearance of a homosexual pastor, which stirred a storm of controversy over the operations of his unit.

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#90303d3660 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 30) - Six people were killed and nine injured, two seriously, when one of China's swiftest passenger trains hit a tractor at a level crossing last week, a Tianjin newspaper seen here Tuesday said.

The Tianjin Evening News, in its Sunday edition, said the crash involving the Beijing-to-Shenyang express happened at dawn October 23.

It did not say where the accident took place, but blamed it on the train's driver for allegedly failing to respect regulations while travelling in foggy conditions.

The train runs through Tianjin.

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#90303d3680 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (OCT. 30) - A special envoy sent by United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar arrived here Tuesday for talks on Cyprus, the Mediterranean island divided into Turkish and Greek parts since 1974.

The diplomat, Oscar Camillon said he was carrying no new proposals but would convey de Cuellar's views, hear Ankara's stance on the issue and seek support from Turkey and Greece as guarantor powers for a possible solution of the conflict.

He was to confer with the deputy undersecretary at the foreign ministry, Huseyin Celem, later Tuesday and is due to meet Foreign Minister Ahmet Kurtcebe Alptemocin Wednesday.

Camillon last week met officials of the Greek Cypriot government and the breakaway Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (Trnc).

Observers said the U.N. envoy's visit comes in the context of mounting international pressures on Ankara and the Trnc to make concessions.

Turkish troops occupied parts of Cyprus in 1974 and later set up the secessionist Trnc government, which is only recognised by Ankara. The occupation came after a coup staged by Greek Cypriot military, who were linked to Greece.

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#90303d3700 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 30) - Thailand has eased its visa rules for East Europeans in keeping with its policy of boosting economic ties with fast-changing Eastern Bloc, radio Bangkok said Tuesday.

''The new rules will authorize Thai embassies and consulates to issue visas for a 90-day stay in Thailand for nationals of the Soviet Union, Albania, Bulgaria, the Czech and Slovak federal Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania and Yugoslavia,'' said the broadcast.

It quoted a Thai foreign ministry official as saying the new regulation had already been approved by the Thai cabinet.

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#90303d3730 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (OCT. 30) - Following her crushing electoral defeat last week, the stage is set for former prime minister Benazir Bhutto's elimination from Pakistani politics, her hardline opponents here believe.

Ms. Bhutto is fighting charges of corruption and abuse of power levelled in special courts the interim government formed after her August 6 dismissal as premier by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan.

If found guilty, she can be disqualified from politics for seven years.

Now that she has been defeated in the political arena, the trials should go on and lead to their "logical conclusion," several senior officials of the Islamic Democratic Alliance (IJI), which swept the polls, said in private.

They said that conclusion was disqualification from politics.

"The law should be upheld, irrespective who it affects," the IJI's leading spokesman, Hussain Haqqani, said publicly.

During the electoral campaign, the interim government led by the conservative IJI became Ms. Bhutto's prosecutor, and she had to appear before special

courts in Lahore and Karachi three times.

She has been summoned to appear November 5 for a hearing in Karachi.

Ms. Bhutto's husband is also the target of the special tribunals and has been in jail for the last three weeks.

Ms. Bhutto was allowed to stand in the elections, analysts say, only because of the strong pressures the United States brought to bear on the government.

Pakistan is Washington's third largest aid recipient, receiving about 600 million dollars in aid from the United States a year.

But U.S. Ambassador Robert Oakley Monday met with the man likely to be Pakistan's next prime minister, IJI head Nawaz Sharif. And in Washington, the State Department said it did not question the results of the poll.

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#90303d3780 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO (OCT. 30) - Norway's opposition Social Democrat chairwoman Gro Harlem Brundtland, 51, was asked by acting head of state, crown prince Harald, Tuesday to form a new minority government.

Brundtland, who led a minority government twice before, in 1981 and again 1986-89, is to hold talks with three other parties with a view to presenting her new coalition on Friday.

Crown prince Harald has been managing state affairs since his father, King Olav V became ill.

The country's tripartite, centre-right coalition government fell Monday with the resignation of Premier Jan Peder Syse after barely a year in power. The 49-year-old prime minister had been accused of business misdeeds.

Syse, whose resignation had been expected for some time, was unable to patch up the split Monday involving his Conservative Party and the Centre Party and the Christian Democratic Party after the Centre Party disagreed on government policies toward the European Community.

Oslo's negotiations with the European Community and European Free Trade Association on future trade relations had produced strains within the cabinet formed a year ago. The agrarian Centre Party opposed the four freedoms in the E.C. charter, especially the free flow of capital.

Syse's Conservatives and the Christian Democrats, along with Labour, had argued that Norway must soften its stand if the negotiations with the E.C. were to make any progress.

Disclosures last month of private business misdeeds by Syse had further weakened the prime minister's standing over the past few weeks.

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#90303d3800 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 30) - Japanese and North Korean officials will meet this weekend in Beijing for talks aimed at paving the way for the establishment of diplomatic ties, officials said Tuesday.

A Japanese Foreign Ministry statement described the meetings Saturday and Sunday as "preparatory talks" to lay the groundwork for full-fledged negotiations on diplomatic relations between the two countries.

It said the two foreign ministries would send delegates at the level of director-general of bureau.

North Korea, in a surprise shift from its hard-line policy, agreed last month to start talks with Japan on establishing formal ties after the Soviet Union established diplomatic ties with rival South Korea.

Analysts say North Korea has no choice but to look to Japan for capital and technology to spur its debt-ridden and stagnant economy, despite its long-standing opposition to recognition of two Koreas by the major powers.

The agreement was reached between North Korea's Workers Party and Japan's Liberal Democratic Party on September 28 when former deputy prime minister Shin Kanemaru visited Pyongyang.

Japan's main opposition Socialist Party, which has served as a go-between the two ruling parties, was also a signatory to a joint declaration containing the agreement.

The three parties said in the declaration that they "consider that the abnormal state between North Korea and Japan must be eliminated and diplomatic relations established as soon as possible."

The document also said Japan should compensate North Korea for Japan's colonial rule over the Korean Peninsula from 1910 to 1945 and the "losses inflicted upon the Korean people" afterwards.

The United States and South Korea have reportedly demanded that Japan-North Korea rapprochement does not outpace progress in dialogue between North and South Korea.

The Korean Peninsula was divided under a superpower agreement after World War II, with Soviet troops disarming Japanese troops north of the 38th parallel

and U.S. troops doing the same in the south, leading to creation of two republics in 1948.

Japan normalized ties with South Korea in 1965 and has since maintained close links with the south. But it has also been North Korea's largest non-communist trading partner.

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#90303d3810 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Geneva (OCT. 30) - International Air Transport Association (Iata) general director Guenter Eser told airline companies here Tuesday ''don't go too far'' in their upcoming tariff negotiations likely to produce this year's second air ticket price hike.

Wrapping up the second and last day of the annual congress of Iata, to which some 200 airlines belong, Eser said he expected ''tough negotiations'' at the price-setting talks which start here on Wednesday.

Eser said that if higher prices are agreed on, the new rates would not take place before December, since the individual members' governments must first give their approval.

The last price hike agreed on by Iata members was reached in August and took effect in October, with passenger fares increased by five to eight per cent and air cargo rates by seven per cent.

Many airlines are arguing for a further rate increase, citing the rise in fuel costs and insurance premiums triggered by the Gulf crisis.

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#90303d3820 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (OCT. 30) - Riot police sealed off the street outside parliament Tuesday as more than a hundred University of Zimbabwe academic staff staged an unprecedented demonstration against increased government control of university affairs.

A delegation of the lecturers, who were wearing their academic gowns and colours, left their colleagues lined up in a park opposite parliament and walked two blocks through the centre of Harare to present a petition at the office of President Robert Mugabe.

Although details of the letter were not disclosed, it is believed to urge the president to refuse to sign into law the University of Zimbabwe Amendment Bill which was passed by parliament last week.

The bill sparked several days of clashes between protesting students and riot

police, during which three offices at the university's administration block were set on fire.

The main objections to the bill focus on provisions that would give the government the power to appoint a majority of members of the university council, or governing body, and increase its disciplinary powers on campus.

The Association of University Teachers (AUT) says the measures will destroy the autonomy of the country's sole university.

AUT secretary Anthony Reeler said the letter had been addressed to Mr. Mugabe in his capacity as both president and as chancellor of the university.

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#90303d3860 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 30) - Amnesty International urged the Namibian government on Tuesday to set up an impartial inquiry into reported human rights abuses during the independence war against South Africa.

It said both South African-led forces and the guerrilla South West Africa People's Organisation (SWAPO) "were responsible for such abuses".

The human rights watchdog noted that the Namibian government last week appointed as army commander "a senior SWAPO official who has been publicly accused of being responsible for the torture, 'disappearance' and killing of prisoners in SWAPO camps in Angola".

Amnesty said the Windhoek authorities "should ensure that those responsible for past human rights abuses are not placed in positions where they could have control or authority over prisoners".

The Namibian Defence Ministry last week announced the appointment as army chief of Major General Solomon 'Jesus' Hawala, who was head of security for SWAPO's military wing before independence in March this year.

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#90303d3870 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (OCT. 30) - Children in the region of Most in northern Czechoslovakia will go to school equipped with anti-pollution masks from Monday, the news agency CTK reported.

The Most region is one of the most polluted in central Europe, and 23,000 masks have been supplied free to its children to protect their lungs from sulphur dioxide and dust emitted by local lignite-burning power stations.

The level of respiratory diseases among childen there is said to be three to

four times higher than than in the rest of the country.

CTK said the local municipal authorities planned to generalise the sale of such masks as indispensable.

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#90303d4010 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT 30) - A tax reform panel Tuesday advised Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu to work out a new tax on land holdings in two years to stop spiraling property prices.

The tax system council said in a recommendation to the premier that the new tax would make it costly to own land, discourage land ownership for speculation and prevent further rises in real estate prices.

The council said the new tax should be levied on both commercial and residential lands in accordance with the value of the properties.

But many of Japan's industry and government leaders voiced objections for various reasons.

Hajime Tsuboi, who heads the national association of real estate agents, said creation of the new tax would amount to "double taxation" on land in addition to an existing tax on fixed assets and would cut the supply of lots for housing.

"It is questionable to levy a tax on utilized land," said Kabun Muto, minister of international trade and industry.

Japan's soaring urban land prices in recent years have led the majority of people to abandon hopes of owning houses.

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#90303d4040 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 30) - Japan's contribution to improving the lives of South African blacks has been "absolutely insignificant," African National Congress (ANC) deputy president Nelson Mandela said here Tuesday.

The black nationalist leader, addressing a press conference after a series of meetings with senior Japanese officials and businessmen, said he had asked for 25 million dollars in direct aid for the ANC.

The request was rejected Monday evening by Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, who said Japan followed the United States and other Western nations in ruling out direct aid to foreign political groups.

Japanese officials, according to Mr. Mandela, stressed that Tokyo had disbursed 1.8 million dollars through international organizations to improve the living conditions of blacks in South Africa.

"If you compare (that) with what has been done by very poor countries in Africa and Asia and also by some industrial countries, the Japanese contribution is absolutely insignificant," he said.

But Mr. Mandela said he was pleased with the support pledged by the three countries he visited before Japan -- India, Indonesia and Australia -- which promised a total of 32 million dollars to the ANC, including 17 million that has already been turned over.

Mr. Mandela, here to raise funds and inform Japanese leaders about recent developments in South Africa, also tried to interest Japanese businessmen in the future of his country once apartheid was abolished.

"Both the ANC and the governement are keen to reach a solution as soon as possible," he said, adding that he hoped to meet South African President Frederik de Klerk upon his return home to "determine the organization which will draw a new constitution."

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#90303d4060 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 30) - The Philippines and the United States will resume talks on military bases and a "new relationship" early next month, President Corazon Aquino announced here Tuesday.

Mrs. Aquino said the negotiations, the third round of talks on the bases after meetings in May and September, would reopen before she leaves for Tokyo to attend the November 12 enthronement of Emperor Akihito.

She stood firm on Manila's plan to fully take over Clark Air Base on September 16, 1991, when the U.S. lease on the jet fighter facility as well as Subic Naval Base and four smaller stations runs out.

Apart from planning to take over Clark, Manila is insisting on a broader range of bilateral issues apart from the bases, including trade, aid, war veterans and environmental matters.

The Philippines, a U.S. colony from 1898 to 1946, hosts the largest American overseas military bases.

The U.S. military facilities provide jobs for nearly 80,000 Filipinos and pump an estimated three billion dollars a year into the Philippine economy, which is facing its worst crisis in years because of domestic problems and the effects of the Gulf conflict.

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#90303d4070 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 30) - Foreign diplomats in China are barred from using their homes or offices for "purposes incompatible with consular business," under regulations that went into force on Tuesday.

The measures, adopted by the National People's Congress standing committee, are seen as a response to Washington's move to let dissident Fang Lizhi take refuge in its embassy here during last year's Tiananmen Square crackdown.

Mr. Fang, an outspoken astrophysicist and moving spirit of the student-led democracy movement, and his wife were allowed to leave China for Europe in July after 385 days in the embassy. They had been wanted for alleged "counter-revolutionary" crimes.

The regulations, summarized by the New China News Agency and described as the first of their kind here, add that foreign diplomats must respect Chinese law and "not interfere in China's internal affairs."

They also spell out diplomatic privileges and immunities that are widely recognized around the world, including a clause which states that consular buildings "may not be encroached upon."

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#90303d4080 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (OCT. 30) - Sikh separatists ambushed a train and shot dead six people in India's Punjab state, where continuing violence linked to a Sikh homeland campaign also left seven others dead, police said Tuesday.

All the killings occurred overnight Monday.

Sikh militants armed with automatic weapons fired indisciminately at the Bombay-bound Punjab Mail shortly after it began its run for Bombay in Faridkot district, killing two railway policemen and four passengers.

Five others were injured in the attack, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said, quoting police. No further details were available.

In other incidents, security forces shot dead two Sikh separatists in Amritsar district, while Sikh militants gunned down four villagers and burned a fifth to death elsewhere, the news agency said.

At least 2,160 people have been killed this year alone in violence linked to a bloody campaign for a Sikh homeland called Khalistan (land of the pure).

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#90303d4090 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (OCT. 30) - Tibetan spiritual leader the Dalai Lama Tuesday asked Indians to maintain peace, as violence linked to a dispute between Hindus and Moslems left seven people dead.

The Dalai Lama, in a statement here, said he was "deeply anguished at the violence and loss of life in recent weeks" caused by the lingering dispute over a religious site at Ayodhya town in northern India's Uttar Pradesh state.

"While it is for the people of India to resolve their differences... I pray as a simple Buddhist monk and one who loves India dearly for peace and harmony among all its people.

"I have always tried to cultivate the meeting ground between different religions and faiths and appeal to all for tolerance and understanding of each other," the 1989 Nobel Peace Prize winner added.

Security forces Tuesday shot dead seven people in Ayodhya, where swarms of Hindus stormed a 16th century mosque in a bid to destroy it. The Hindus caused minor damage before they were driven away.

More than 100 people have died in Hindu-Moslem unrest over the past week.

The Dalai Lama has been living in India since fleeing his homeland in 1959 following a failed uprising against Beijing. His government-in-exile, based in northern India, is not recognised by any country.

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#90303d4100 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 30) - Parliament in Soviet Moldavia, troubled by ethnic unrest, has expelled 10 of 13 Gagauz deputies for "anti-constitutional activities", a spokesman for the legislature said Tuesday.

The spokesman, reached by telephone in the Moldavian capital Kichinev, said the 10 deputies were "deprived of their mandates" late last week "because they were't taking part in parliamentary business. They weren't doing anything."

Tass news agency said that leaders of the Gagauz 'republic', unilaterally proclaimed in August for the 150,000-strong ethnic Turkish minority, were among those thrown out of the Moldavian parliament.

They were "taking no notice of the parliament's laws and resolutions and inciting people to break Moldavian law", the official agency added. Moldavian politicians have also criticised Gagauz representatives for organising elections last Thursday to set up their own parliament.

The nationalist Moldavian People's Front that day sent thousands of "volunteers" to the Gagauz region in the south of the republic to try to stop the poll taking place.

Moldavian authorities on Friday imposed a two-month state of emergency on three Gagauz districts and Soviet Interior Ministry troops have been deployed there.

The unofficial Interfax news agency on Tuesday reported that some of the Moldavian "volunteers" had withdrawn from the Gagauz region.

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#90303d4310 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 30) - The Burmese authorities are levelling trumped up criminal charges against scores of political prisoners before a visit by the special U.N. envoy for human rights, observers in Rangoon said Tuesday.

Reports from the Burmese capital say the military junta wants to empty Rangoon's Insein prison of political detainees before the arrival of Professor Sadako Ogata expected early next week.

"At the moment they are making up criminal charges against the political prisoners in Insein. Others they are moving to prisons far outside the capital " a Rangoon-based observer said.

"The military does not want the U.N. special envoy to visit Insein and find political prisoners, only criminal ones," the observer said.

The reports follow earlier ones that Insein was being spruced up for the visit of Ms. Ogata. Diplomats said recently that inmates were being given new mattresses, new blankets and were being given meat four times a week instead of the normal once a week.

A former political detainee in Insein now staying in Thailand, 24-year-old Maung Sann Til Kyaw, said that the warders would frequently put cockroaches and worms in the daily soup.

"The conditions were terrible. The food was uneatable. Lots of us suffered from dysentery and all they gave us was one single pill which did nothing to help," Maung Sann Til Kyaw said.

"The junta want to show that Insein is a normal prison where the inmates are well treated. They want to try and show the U.N. that they respect human rights," an observer based in Bangkok said.

Last February the United Nations Human Rights Commission severly criticised

the junta for their human rights records.

No details of Ms. Okata's visit have been released by the Burmese government and diplomats fear that her movements will be tightly controlled.

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#90303d4330 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAINT-BRIEUC, France (OCT. 30) - On a windswept island off France's Atlantic coast, Breton farmers have started growing wakame - a seaweed highly prized in Japan and Korea that was brought accidentally to this country a decade ago.

This year, six hectares (15 acres) off the island of Brehat have been planted with the weed, which grows to 1.5 meters (five feet) and is used to flavour soups and salads in both Japan and Korea.

"Today, the Japanese and the Koreans cannot increase their production because they lack space on the seabed," said Patrick Dion, a senior official at the semi-public seaweed research institute that is coordinating the experiment.

"They also have pollution problems," he added.

"We, on the other hand, have now completely mastered the growing and harvesting of the seaweed, which has been cultivated in Asia for centuries," he said.

The plant, whose Latin name is Undaria Pinnatifida, "is perfectly at home in the Atlantic waters," said Mr. Dion.

It was accidentally brough to France in seed-oysters imported from Japan in the late 1970s.

Mr. Dion claimed that the quality of Brehat's wakame - the only one being produced in Europe - is better than that of many of its Asian competitors.

The threat to these competitors is still modest: while Korea produced a quarter of a million metric tons of wakame, and Japan consumed 120,000 tons, Brehat is expected to produce 150 tons next year.

"But Brittany's potential in the next few years is enormous, even though we must ensure that it will be profitable," Mr. Dion said.

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#90303d4410 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Colombo (OCT. 30) - The Sri Lankan government Tuesday decided to scrap a plan to build a coal-fired power plant in the south of the country following protests from environmentalists.

The decision was made by President Ranasinghe Premadasa in the light of representations made to him on the likely environmental costs of the project and the socio-economic benefits of harnessing other renewable sources of energy.

Environmentalist stiffly opposed the coal power plant, which earlier was to have been set up in the eastern Trincomalee District and later planned to for Weligama, 275 kilometers south of Colombo.

Premadasa has directed that in lieu of the project, the country should plan the first plant which would harness viable alternative sources of energy to meet the future power demand, a statement said.

He directed the Power and Energy Ministry to look into the possiblity designing and constructing new hydroelectric power projects, optimising the exploitation of existing hydro power capacity, introducing solar power, building mini-hydro power projects and setting up small and medium bio-gas plants.

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#90303d4490 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT. 30) - Kenyan Vice-President George Saitoti on Tuesday handed President Daniel arap Moi a report by a committee formed to recommend changes in the ruling party.

The committee was formed in June amid calls for greater democracy in Kenya. The country is officially a one-party state and opposition activity is harshaly repressed.

In July, riots erupted throughout Kenya in protest at the detentions of leading multi-party campaigners Kenneth Matiba and Charles Rubia, both former cabinet ministers, and at least 22 people were killed.

Mr. Saitoti is chairman of the committee, which has heard the views of some 40,000 Kenyans on proposed changes in the Kenya African National Union (KANU), which in 1982 was made the country's sole legal party.

Many of those who appeared before the committee, which held public sessions around the country, demanded nothing short of the resignation of the government, the dissolution of parliament and multi-party elections.

But Mr. Moi, who is also president of the party, has dampened hopes of significant reforms by repeatedly defending the status quo.

The committee has been criticised by anti-government churchmen and lawyers as comprising only staunch party members and supporters of the president.

Mr. Moi said the report would be presented at a party conference to be convened soon. Delegates at the conference will study the report's recommendations and make decisions on possible action by consensus, he added.

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#90303d4540 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUSCAT (OCT. 30) - King Hussein of Jordan will travel to Oman on Wednesday in what was described Tuesday by the official Omani news agency Ona as a private visit.

The agency added that the Jordanian monarch would meet the Omani ruler, Sultan Qabus.

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#90303d4580 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 30) - Three Japanese companies said Tuesday they have signed a contract worth about 16 billion yen (125 million dollars) to set up an underwater optical cable system linking four Southeast Asian nations.

NEC Corp., Fujitsu Ltd. and Ocean Cable Co. said they will lay an underwater line between Brunei and Singapore by November next year and another linking Brunei, Malaysia and the Philippines by January 1992.

The two lines, each about 1,500 kilometers (940 miles) long, will have an information capacity of 560 megabits per second.

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#90303d4590 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (OCT. 30) - President George Vassiliou met Soviet presidential envoy Yevgeni Primakov here Tuesday and proposed Cyprus as a venue for talks aimed at a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis, Cypriot officials said.

Mr. Primakov, who arrived earlier from Saudi Arabia, briefed Mr. Vassiliou on the results of his latest Middle East tour. A Soviet Embassy spokesman said the envoy was to fly to Moscow on Wednesday.

The Cypriot leader said his country was ready to contribute to all efforts for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis, a Cypriot official said.

The eastern Mediterranean island, a haven for refugees from Middle East violence, could serve as a centre for talks, consultations and contacts as well as a base for intermediaries, Mr. Vassiliou was quoted as saying.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on Monday proposed an inter-Arab conference

to resolve the crisis and voiced opposition to a military option in remarks praised by Iraq.

Kuwait earlier Tuesday hailed Soviet efforts to secure the application of anti-Iraqi U.N. sanctions, following a meeting in Saudi Arabia between Mr. Primakov and the exiled Kuwaiti emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah.

Mr. Primakov's mission to the Middle East and the Gulf had triggered high hopes at the United Nations, where it was thought he might make progress toward to a peaceful resolution of the crisis sparked by Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

But he left Baghdad on Monday after meetings with President Saddam Hussein and Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz amid no indications of a breakthrough.

The envoy also met King Fahd of Saudi Arabia, Syrian President Hafez al-Assad and President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt.

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#90303d4700 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT. 30) - European Community Commission officials, citing what they called ''very alarming'' and ''dramatic'' supply developments in the Soviet Union, said here Tuesday that Moscow could go ahead and request E.C. assistance earlier than planned.

The Commission officials made the remarks on the periphery of the talks here by the ''Group of 24'' western industrialised nations to review aid to Eastern Europe.

So far, the Soviet Union has not been included in the G-24's aid plans for Eastern Europe. But as the Soviet situation deteriorates, experts said, the western nations' calculations for Eastern Europe cannot be made without considering the Soviet factor.

Estimates here see the Soviet payments balance deficit reaching 12 billion dollars this year. Nor did Moscow stand to benefit greatly from the rise in oil prices since Soviet oil production has declined by some 20 per cent.

The E.C. Commission in a report estimated that due to rising oil prices and the collapse of the East Bloc economic group Comecon, the central and eastern European nations next year will need financial support of nearly 15 billion dollars.

This would leave, despite western aid pledges for Eastern Europe so far, a financial gap of almost 7 billion dollars, the Commission report said.

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#90303d4710 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (OCT. 30) - Pakistan's highest religious court Tuesday ruled that anyone convicted of insulting the prophets of Islam, Christianity and Judaism should be put to death.

The Federal Shariat Court gave the government six months to scrap the alternate punishment of life term provided for the offence in the existing law.

Otherwise the ruling itself would become law.

Last year seven people were killed in clashes with police in Islamabad over British author Salman Rushdie's book ''The Satanic Verses'', considered blasphemous to Prophet Mohammad by Moslems.

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#90303d4830 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN (OCT. 30) - An envoy of Japanese Premier Toshiki Kaifu met here Tuesday with Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati, who stressed Iran's rejection of the invasion of Kuwait, the Iranian news agency IRNA reported.

Mr. Velayati said the invasion was "totally unacceptable" but he also reiterated that Iran was opposed to the deployment of foreign troops in the Gulf region.

The Japanese envoy, Tobohu Matsunaga, briefed the Iranian foreign minister on Tokyo's stand on the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Matsunaga, who arrived in the Iranian capital Monday for a three-day visit was to deliver a message to President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani from the Japanese prime minister.

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#90303d4890 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 30) - A soviet warship in the Pacific Ocean mistakenly fired 17 shells at the eastern city of Vladivostok but missed it, the Interfax news agency reported here Tuesday.

An ammunition expert aboard the anti-submarine ship Admiral Vinogradov Monday had forgotten to check whether the cannons were loaded shortly before testing them.

The shells exploded about four kilometres above Vladivostok's city centre, Interfax added without saying whether falling shrapnel caused any casualties. An investigation was underway.

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#90303d4910 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAMMU, INDIA (OCT. 30) - Nine people have been killed and 12 others injured in India's Kashmir state, where Moslems are campaigning violently for a separate homeland, officials said here Tuesday.

Five Moslem militants and a security officer were killed in gunbattles overnight Monday in the northern state's Anantnag district, a Moslem majority region known to be a rebel stronghold, the officials said.

Twelve others, including three security men and nine civilians, were reportedly injured in the exchange of fire.

In Srinagar, Kashmir's summer capital security forces shot dead a Moslem militant Monday evening.

Three bomb blasts also rocked Srinagar late Monday. One of them damaged the house of a moderate Moslem politician.

More than 1,800 people have died so far this year in violence linked to the Moslem separatist campaign.

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#90303d4920 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (OCT. 30) - Egyptian police have arrested several suspects in connection with an attack last February on a tourist bus that killed nine Israelis and wounded 17, Interior Minister Abdel Halim Mussa said Tuesday.

General Mussa, quoted by the official Middle East News Agency, also said police had seized "arms used in the attack" east of Cairo. But he would provide no further details "in order not to interfere with the investigation."

The minister said details would be made public "once all the suspects are arrested," suggesting that others were still at large.

In an attack that horrified Israel, gunmen opened fire on a tour bus near the Suez Canal city of Ismailia as it was carrying Israelis to Cairo along a desert road February 4.

Gen. Mussa did not disclose the nationality of the suspects but said police had dismantled 13 terrorist cells whose members had entered Egypt from Jordan, Tunisia, Iraq and Algeria.

Authorities over the past week have detained more than 600 Islamic militants and members of Al-Jihad organization, some of whose activists have been accused in the assassination here October 12 of Egypt's speaker of parliament, Rifaat al-Mahgoub.

Gen. Mussa vowed to "destroy Al-Jihad as well as any other extremist organization that resorts to violence."

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#90303d4930 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 30) - The German government is planning a nearly billion-mark (657 million dollar) aid package to help Egypt, which has been severely affected by the Gulf crisis, Bonn said Tuesday.

Negotiations on the conditions of the aid will be held November 13-19 in Cairo the Development Aid Ministry said.

Depending on further decisions yet to be taken here, Bonn's aid could go as high as some 1.3 billion marks, the ministry said.

Among other items, the package is to include a special Gulf crisis aid of 200 million marks, the ''regular'' development help for 1991 of 235 million marks as well as 540 million marks from earlier Bonn aid pledges which had not been paid out due to Egypt's falling behind on its repayments.

Besides this package, Bonn is giving consideration to providing still a further 370 million marks, the ministry said.

In September, Germany set aside 200 million marks for Egypt within the framework of a western aid plan for Cairo, and lifted a freeze on other development aid money for Egypt.

This move was taken in advance of the general debt rescheduling talks between Egypt and western donor countries. Egypt is more than 700 million marks in arrears on its repayments to Germany.

Bonn has also earmarked 200 million marks in aid to Jordan and 110 million marks to Turkey as part of western aid schemes to help countries adversely affected by the Gulf crisis.

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#90303d5010 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) - New world heavyweight boxing champion Evander Holyfield will fight George Foreman in Las Vegas on April 19, promoter Bob Arum said on Tuesday.

Holyfield's promoter Dan Duva said the date and venue had yet to be fixed, although he has earlier said March or April.

Duva said he was holding a meeting Tuesday following a 10-12 million dollar

offer from Caesars Palace in Las Vegas to stage the fight.

Forty-two-year-old Foreman will pocket 12.5 million dollars of a 20-million stake, according to Duva. Arum is looking after Foreman's interests.

Holyfield, 28, knocked out James "Buster" Douglas to take the crown in Las Vegas last Thursday and declared he wanted to take on Foreman before Mike Tyson, the leading contender and former champion.

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#90303d5040 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAO PAULO (OCT. 30) - The state-owned Brazilian Aeronautics Manufacturers (Embraer), burdened with a 600 million dollar debt, announced Wednesday that it was firing 4,100 employees -- about a third of its workforce.

Embraer said it was also cutting by 50 per cent the salaries of workers earning more than 1,000 dollars a month and delaying production of some of its aircraft.

Fearing an angry reaction from fired workers, Embraer officials also asked for police protection and 130 Air Force and police forces were dispatched to the company's plant in Sao Paulo.

The aircraft manufacturer will freeze production for two years on the AMX fighter-bomber, developed jointly with Italian firms, and will postpone until next year prodiuction of a 45-passenger jetliner in which it has already invested 225 million dollars.

Embraer President Ozilio Silva, in announcing the cutbacks, said the firm had not expected to face such a serious financial crisis.

He said the company was expected to fall at least 165 million dollars short of the 700 million dollars in new orders projected for 1990.

Among the more disappointing projects was the firm's Tucano military trainer, orders for which fell 65 million dollars short of projections after several potential buyers failed to confirm purchase options.

Embraer has developed some projects that have not yet generated profits, such as the 19-passenger Vector turbo-prop, which is being built jointly with the Argentines at a cost of 120 million dollars but will not be marketed until 1991.

The Brazilian Government is looking into the possiblity of selling the state-owned firm.

#90303d5060 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (OCT. 30) - There were bloody clashes at one of the oldest mosques in India Tuesday as radical Hindus tried to start building a temple on the site.

There were conflicting reports of casualties and damage. Militant Vishwa Hindu Parishad (Vhp) movement leader Girisash Kishore, said police shot dead 11 people during the clashes near the town of Ayodhya in central India.

But Federal Minister of State for Home, Subodh Kant Sahay, said six people died when police opened fire to prevent pilgrims entering the complex. Another 14 persons were killed in unrest in other Indian states, he added.

Kishore said the mosque had been damaged by Hindus but Federal Home Minister Mufti Mohammed Syaeed said the building was intact. ''No damage has been done to the structure,'' he announced.

Sayeed, himself a Moslem, said about 15,000 Hindu ''volunteers'' gathered at Ayodhya Tuesday morning in a bid to enter the disputed palace site and start building work.

After police dispersed them, around 600 forced their way onto the temple site. Police replied with gunfire, teargas and baton-charges. Sayeed said only a handful of people broke into the temple compound.

Hindus want to build a 20-million dollar temple at what they believe to be the traditional birthplace of Rama, whom they worship as one of the reincarnations of Vishnu, the creator. They announced months ago that construction work would begin October 30.

At the same place in 1528, the first Moghul emperor of India, Mohammed Babar, had the Babri mosque built, supposedly on the site of the earlier Hindu temple.

In modern times Hindus have repeatedly tried to end what they see as the desecration of the site. In 1855 and 1934 Moslems and Hindus clashed in Ayodhya, leaving many dead on both sides.

Ram Mohan Rao, the government's chief spokesman, said later that a number of people who managed to enter the complex hacked away at the structure with batons. ''Some reached the top of the building and tried to plant flags'' of the Vhp, he added.

Kishore said one of the three domes of the mosque had been taken down and that two others had been ''worked on''. The dismantling had begun at a time recommended by astrologers to be auspicious.

Rao said the situation in Ayodhya, some 500 kilometres southeast of New Delhi,

was now was quiet ''and that the curfew continues''.

The area has been under an indefinite curfew since last Friday but large numbers of Hindus were reported to have come out of their houses to cheer on Hindu pilgrims.

The Vhp claimed that authorities in Uttar Pradesh had arrested over 750,000 Hindu pilgrims and volunteers on their way to Ayodhya.

''This took place despite the fact that the government cancelled many of the passenger trains passing through the area'', said the Vhp spokesman.

State security forces had sealed off all entry points into the state and declared Ayodhya and its neighbouring town of Faizabad as being off limits in a bid to stop pilgrims reaching the mosque.

The situation in Ayodhya was later described as tense but calm as authorities sealed off the disputed site.

The United News of India agency (Uni) quoted officials at the site as saying they would prevent any further attempt by Hindu volunteers to gain entry into the temple area and that they had tightened security.

Two Hindu leaders arrested earlier were released by authorities to pacify the agitated volunteers.

Meanwhile, Moslem leaders were set to meet here Wednesday for an urgent meeting to discuss the situation, according to Javid Habib, a spokesman for the all-India Babri Masjid Action Committee.

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#90303d5070 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT. 30) - Israel has halted advertising campaigns abroad due to a sharp decrease in visits by tourists fearing the effects of the Gulf crisis and the Palestinian uprising (Intifada) in the Israeli-occupied territories, the daily Jerusalem Post reported here Tuesday.

It quoted Tourism Minister Gideon Patt as saying it was useless to ask foreigners to spend their vacations in Israel when they saw on their television sets pictures of clashes and casualties in Israel and the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The number of tourists visiting Israel has dropped sharply during the past two months following the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and Iraqi threats to use chemical weapons against Israel.

Groups have also cancelled trips to the Holy Land because the Palestinian

conflict has been increasing in intensity.

-30- 1003
#90303d5140 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OSLO (OCT. 30) - The leader of Norway's Labour Party, Gro Harlem Brundtland, on Tuesday agreed to form her third government after the centre-right coalition resigned in disagreement over future links with the European Economic Community (EEC), Norwegian radio reported.

Acting on advice from the president of parliament Jo Benkow, Crown Prince Harald at midday asked Mrs. Brundtland to replace the three-party coalition government of Prime Minister Jan P. Syse.

After seeking assurances from party leaders that her minority government would have a fair chance of surviving the coming months, Mrs. Brundtland was expected to return to the Royal Palace in the evening to formally accept the assignment.

The list of ministers will be presented to the Crown Prince by the end of the week, party sources said.

In September 1989 general elections the Labour Party only won 63 of the 165 seats in parliament, its worst result since World War II.

Mrs. Brundtland will have to take this into account if she wants to pursue traditional Labour Party policies.

Labour has not yet sorted out its position on EEC membership, but stresses the need for an agreement with the Community.

Mrs. Brundtland will need to rely on support from the Socialist Left Party and the agrarian Centre Party which broke its coalition with the Conservatives on Monday.

Being anti-EEC, the Centre Party would not back the Conservatives who sought full EEC membership and not just an economic deal between the EEC and the European Free Trade Association (EFTA), of which Norway is a member.

Mrs. Brundtland, 51, is known as a tough politician.

In 1981 she became Norway's youngest and first woman prime minister in a government that lasted only seven months. She returned to power in 1986, but then was replaced by Jan P. Syse after losing last year's general elections.

She has said that a Labour government would focus on cutting unemployment, protection of the environment and a fair distribution of wealth. She also intends to rewrite the budget, currently being discussed in parliament.

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#90303d5160 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND (OCT. 30) - Six cities bidding to host the 1998 Winter Olympic Games presented their cases here on Tuesday, a day before the deadline expires.

The six are Aosta in Italy, Jaca (Spain), Nagano (Japan), Oestersund (Sweden), Salt Lake City (USA) and Sochi (Soviet Union).

The host city will be picked next June at the International Olympic committee session in Birmingham, England.

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#90303d5170 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT. 30) - An Iraqi jetliner chartered by France has landed here bringing home 256 French nationals held hostage in Iraq and 19 citizens from other nations, authorities said Tuesday.

The latest figures indicated that among the French nationals were seven diplomats who had been based in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. The other passengers were nine Greeks, four Britons, two Filipinos, one German, a Spanish woman, a Lebanese and a Tunisian.

The Iraqi Airways Boeing 747, which arrived around midnight Monday in Paris, returned Tuesday with tons of medicines purchased by Iraq.

Its departure from Baghdad had apparently been delayed for several hours until France agreed to put a shipment of medicines on the return flight in exchange for the freeing of its citizens. Permission had to be secured from the U.N. Security Council sanctions committee.

Reports said some 40 French nationals including nuns, priests and some company representatives refused to leave Iraq.

French President Francois Mitterrand reaffirmed Monday during the visit of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev that his government had not negotiated for the release of its nationals.

Apparently on the advice of French authorities, most hostages refused to tell the 300 journalists at the airport about conditions in Kuwait.

But Frenchman Daniel Kienlen said Iraq was facing difficulties regarding basic food supplies due to the United Nations embargo against the country. It was almost impossible to buy rice or milk, and gasoline was scarce despite the lifting of rationing, but there were enough vegetables, he added.

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#90303d5270 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KIGALI (OCT. 30) - Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana has ruled out "direct negotiations" with rebels in the east African country unless their departure "forms an integral part of any settlement".

Rwandans "would revolt and rise up as one man" if direct talks were held with the "invaders" on other terms, Major-General Habyarimana predicted Monday in his third message to the nation since the October 1 incursion.

(Official Zairean radio announced Tuesday, however, that Rwandan government representatives and members of the rebel Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) were to meet on Wednesday at Gbadolite in northern Zaire.

(A rebel leader, Titus Ruthemara, met Zairean President Mobutu Sese Seko on Momday and afterwards told the Zairean press he had "total confidence in President Mobutu's mediation" efforts for "peace in Rwanda".)

In his message, Maj.-Gen. Habyarimana said Rwandans would "prefer to fight to the last man rather than let a feudal regime be restored".

He was alluding to the minority Tutsi aristocracy chased from power by the majority Hutu during massacres 30 years ago. Most of the rebels who attacked from Uganda are Tutsi, Rwandan refugees or descended from them.

The president, a Hutu, nevertheless said the government would work to help refugees wishing to return, but not people guilty of "war crimes". Hundreds of thousands of Rwandans live in exile.

Maj-Gen. Habyarimana's conditions for talks contradict ceasefire terms set out last Wednesday by Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens and accepted by both the government and the RPF.

Mr. Eyskens said that the ceasefire would take hold "in situ", including areas captured by the rebels in northeast Rwanda.

Fighting broke out within 36 hours of the start of the ceasefire and has continued around Nyagatare and near Kagitumba on the Ugandan border where Rwandan troops launched a weekend attack, military sources in Uganda reported.

The recapture of the border post would mark a big setback for the rebels, whose estimated 3,000 fighters would be reduced to dispersing in small groups in the region, observers said.

Gen. Habyarimana said Nyagatare, Muvumba and the strategic garrison locality of Gabiro, the scene of much fighting, were in army hands.

(Zaire radio confirmed Tuesday that a ceasefire monitoring group being set up with 15 army officers each from Zaire, Uganda and Burundi was in Goma, eastern Zaire, and would soon be operational.

(The force, decided upon at a summit meeting late last week of Rwanda, Uganda, Zaire and Burundi, is also to include five Rwandan soldiers and five rebels.

(RPF representative Ruthemara told the Zairean press that a ceasefire should be implemented "immediately", but added that "an (African) intervention force to be created should not be like the one in Liberia, which has caused more problems than it has solved".

(He was referring to a five-nation contingent sent into civil war-torn Liberia by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS). Those troops have been fighting one of the rebel factions in Liberia.)

In another development Tuesday, Egypt's new ambassador to Kigali, Sameh Samy Darwich, said Cairo would be ready to send troops to join an intervention force if asked.

The Rwandan government last week called for an intervention force to be set up during a peace mission by Belgium to its former colony.

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#90303d5280 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT 30) - Japanese cars will enter the EEC without restriction from January 1, 1993, if the Community does not make an agreement with Tokyo, EEC Commission Vice President Martin Bangemann warned here on Tuesday.

The Commission of the European Economic Community has always maintained that the application of the EEC single market in 1993 would mean abolition of national quotas limiting the access of Japanese cars into several member countries.

Talks between the EEC and Japanese on the voluntary restraint of Japanese sales in Europe are deadlocked.

Under an arrangement considered by the Commission and Japanese officials, Japanese manufacturers would limit their sales in Europe until the end of 1997. In exchange, from next year, countries applying quotas, principally France, Spain and Italy, would begin to facilitate access.

France has strongly objected to this approach, and has accused the Commission of offering the Japanese an share of the European market beyond all their hopes.

-30- 1220
#90303d5420 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN (OCT. 30) - Ahmad Khomeini, son of the late Iranian spiritual guide Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, condemned Tuesday what he called Iran's silence on the death sentence against British author Salman Rushdie.

"Iran's silence on the application of the decree condemning Salman Rushdie to death is a dangerous, imperialist plot, aimed against the interests of the (Islamic) revolution," he said, quoted by the evening newspaper Ettela'at.

Addressing a group of former Iranian prisoners from the war with Iraq, Mr. Khomeini urged the foreign ministry to "take a stand on this mischief."

In February 1989, Ayatollah Khomeini issued a fatwa, or Moslem religious decree, condemning Mr. Rushdie to death for blasphemy against Islam in his book, The Satanic Verses.

The British Embassy in Teheran was reopened Sunday, after a 19-month closure caused by the Rushdie affair.

-30- 1071
#90303d5450 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) - Congressional leaders meeting at the White House Tuesday urged President George Bush to restraint in the Gulf crisis.

The leading senators and congressmen appealed to Bush not to give in to pressures for a quick military strike, and instead to give economic sanctions more time to work.

Senator Patrick Leahy emerged from the meeting saying congressional leaders, like the Administration, considered military force a ''genuine'' possibility, but that they had urged Bush not to decide for the military option out of impatience.

Republican Senator William Cohen said he saw no signs of an impending military conflict.

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#90303d5520 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT 30) - Thousands of people marched to the headquarters of the Soviet secret police Kgb on Tuesday to commemorate the victims of Stalin's terror and political prisoners.

There they took part in a ceremony dedicating a rock from the Solovyetski Islands in the Arctic Sea, where the first Soviet concentration camp was built

in 1921.

Two weeks ago, the rock was placed in front of Kgb headquarters with the permission of the Moscow city council.

Among the participants were numerous former prisoners and members of their family. One column was made up entirely of children of people who had been classified enemies of the people.

Soviet human rights activists declared October 30 a day of remembrance in 1974 in recognition of a hunger strike by political prisoners in labour camps in the central Volga River region.

The march was organised by Memorial, a society dedicated to the reappraisal of the Stalin era.

In an interview by the Moscow radio station Mayak (lighthouse), the former dissident and current parliamentary deputy Sergei Kovalyov said the Soviet parliament's human rights commission was preparing a ''rehabilitation law'' going far beyond the decrees of President Mikhail Gorbachev.

-30- 1436

#90303d5660 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 30) - The 21 member states of the International Energy Agency meet in Paris Wednesday for the fourth time since the beginning of the Gulf crisis to study oil supply and demand and consider whether they should release some strategic stocks.

Sources close to the IEA said the organization was not expected to call on its members to dip into their reserves at this stage.

One senior official said there was less tension in the supply and demand situation than at the end of September.

At their last meeting, member states were told to be ready to release some of their strategic stocks or consider moves to limit consumption.

The IEA has not ruled out some supply problems if the northern hemisphere suffers a tough winter or if there is an accident at a refinery or oil platform.

But one senior official said that Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries - notably Venezuela, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates - had already managed to step up production to cover the shortfall of 4.3 million barrels a day caused by the oil embargo on Iraq and Kuwait.

One expert said fourth quarter OPEC production could be above the target level

of 22.5 million barrels a day the organization set itself before the Kuwait invasion.

The rise in oil prices had also dampened consumption. The IEA estimated that demand was 400,000 barrels a day below the October level last year in Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development countries.

-30- 1657
#90303d5730 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT. 30) - The French government has re-taken control of Framatome, the world's leading nuclear reactor manufacturer, in an agreement with the majority private shareholder, the finance ministry said here Tuesday.

The shareholder, the industrial group CGE, has agreed to a cut in its holdings in Framatome, considered of vital strategic importance by the Socialist government, from 52 percent to 44 percent. Framatome employees will hold five per cent of the shares.

The public shareholders will be the Atomic Energy Commission and the state electricity company (the Commissariat a L'Energie Atomique and Electricite de France) with 46 percent and the Credit Lyonnais bank with five per cent to a total of 51 percent.

The CGE was privatized under the rightwing government of Jacques Chirac in 1987 and last June raised its holdings in Framatome from 40 to 52 percent in what was seen a major challenge to the government of Michel Rocard.

Economy and Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy said at the time that "French nuclear policy cannot be decided by the private sector".

Framatome made a net profit in 1989 of 742 million francs (125 million dollars), 30 percent down on 1988. But its turnover doubled to 19.9 billion francs (almost 3.4 billion dollars).

The company's affairs have of late been marked by rivalry between its chairman Jean-Claude Leny, and CGE boss Pierre Suard, who notably criticised a pressurized water reactor (PWR) joint sales accord with German firm Siemens on the grounds that the German giant had done too well from the deal.

-30- 1788
#90303d5810 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (OCT. 30) - Thai narcotics suppression police have arrested three people from Nigeria and two from Sierra Leone and seized 10.4 kilograms (22.88 pounds) of heroin in their possession here, police said Tuesday.

The five alleged drug traffickers were arrested separately at two hotels in

central Bangkok late Monday, police said.

Amangoua Borphee and Alhjia Aliayajiwa, both 40 and from Nigeria, were arrested after police found six kilograms (13.2 pounds) in their possession, police said.

A half hour later, another woman, Feji Ajuke, 21, from Nigeria, and two men from Sierra Leone identified as Sankor Abubakarr, 39, and Jalloh Amadu, 40, were apprehended after police found 4.4 kilograms (9.68 pounds) of heroin in their possession, the police said.

The police said both Mrs. Borphee and Mrs. Ajuke were major drug suppliers and "many foreigners" worked for them in smuggling heroin to Nigeria.

The seized drug was valued at 2.08 million baht (83,200 dollars) on the local black market, but would fetch 100 times more abroad.

Under Thai law, the maximum penalty for drug trafficking is death by firing squad, but the sentence is generally commuted to life imprisonment.

Thailand has required all Nigerians to have visas since May following a wave of drug-related arrests of Nigerian passport holders, especially in Bangkok.

-30- 1535

#90303d5830 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (OCT. 30) - A group of 200 Nepalese Hindus lodged a protest Tuesday with the Indian emabssy here, regarding the arrests of Hindu leaders in India over controversial plans to build a Hindu temple there, a source said.

The group, led by the acting president of the World Hindu Federation (VHP), Mr. Krishna Gopal Tandon, handed a memorandum to Ambassador S.K. Sinha, protesting the arrests of Hindu leaders who want to build a temple on the site of a Moslem mosque in the northern Indian town of Ayodhya, the source said.

The 200 Hindus, representing 40 different Hindu organizations, marched to the Indian Embassy and delivered a four point memorandum, including demands for the release of arrested Hindu priests and Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP, Indian People's Party) leaders.

They also called on the Indian government to stop using force against Hindus who claim the site of 16th century mosque in Ayodhya as the birthpalce of their revered Lord Rama.

A VHP press statement said: "We strongly condemn the suppression of Indian Hindus who were trying to reconstruct the holy temple of the universally respected Lord Rama."

Ambassador Sinha assured the group that he would forward their demands to the central government in New Delhi without delay, a VHP spokesman said.

-30- 1483

#90303d5910 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Lisbon (OCT. 30) - The Portuguese navy supply ship Sao Miguel will set off for the Gulf to help enforce the U.N. embargo against Iraq, sources said Tuesday.

The 5,451-ton freighter, which carries a crew of 37, will leave on Wednesday for Southampton, England, to pick up food and materiel for British troops. It is unarmed.

Portugal has already dispatched a frigate to join Nato units in the eastern Mediterraean that replaced U.S. ships deployed in the Gulf.

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#90303d5950 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (OCT 30) - Talks set to begin in Mali Wednesday toward bringing peace to war-torn Liberia have been cancelled, according to reports reaching here Tuesday.

The reports quoting Gambian officials said the main rebel leader, Charles Taylor, wanted the talks held in the area of Liberia he controls.

Gambia, current chairman of the Economic Community of West African States (Ecowas), said the full summit of the 16-nation organization was however still scheduled for Mali on November 27.

The five-nation Ecowas mediation committee on Liberia - Nigeria, Ghana, Gambia Togo and Mali - had scheduled the talks to meet Taylor to get his National Patriotic Front of Liberia (Npfl) to sign a peace accord.

The other two factions in the 10-month-old civil war - Prince Yormie Johnson who leads the breakaway rebel group and remnants of slain President Samuel Doe - have already signed the accord.

Taylor, whose consent is vital for a lasting peace in Liberia, has continued to shun peace efforts. He has said he would not attend talks in any of the five countries contributing troops to a 9,000-strong peacekeeping force that has been fighting his troops, but mali does not contribute troops to the force.

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#90303d6050 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (OCT. 30) - The Romanian government Tuesday said it would call in

the army if there was a transport strike affecting food or basic resources, the official Rompres news agency said quoting a government communique.

It said the defence ministry would be authorized to transport goods in affected regions, but that this would be ''on demand and against payment.''

The brief statement made no mention of a strike begun Monday by the drivers' trade union which has hit about 100 out of 200 truck transport depots in the country. It did not say if the army was already being used.

Nearly 100 trucks and buses traversed Bucharest Tuesday in response to a call by the drivers' union for a "warning" on the eve of the lifting of price controls.

They drove before the central government building, the television centre and the president's office with lights blazing and horns blaring. Representatives handed in a list of their demands to the president's office.

The drivers are asking that the lifting of price controls be accompanied by a lifting of controls on salary levels and for the recognition of a driving licence as professional qualification.

On November 1, the government is due to liberalise prices and devalue by 75 per cent the national currency, the leu.

In a statement broadcast over the radio, the Fratia trade union federation which has backed the drivers said the government "must accept that the trade unions are a reality".

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#90303d6220 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 30) - China will likely suffer a major earthquake by the end of the century and the authorities should not keep silent on the possibility, a senior official was quoted Tuesday as saying.

State Councillor Song Jian implicited criticized the communist leadership's practice of withholding news considered damaging to the country's image, including information on natural disasters.

Mr. Song was speaking at an earthquake seminar in Tianjin southeast of here and cited experts' conclusions in saying that "the frequency of earth tremors has increased in the last decade," the Tianjin Evening News reported.

Knowledge of this risk should prompt the government "in a socialist country" to "fulfill its sacred task" of taking measures to limit loss of life and property, he added.

Mr. Song also called for more public education about earthquakes.

A severe temblor in 1976 left more than 650,000 dead in Tangshan, a city 150 kilometers (90 miles) from the capital.

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#90303d6300 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (OCT. 30) - A further opening of the textile market in the EEC region could result in the "rapid" loss of a million jobs in the industry if it is not accompanied by "parallel and significant" moves to open markets elsewhere in the world, the EEC committee for coordination of the textile industry said Tuesday.

A gradual opening of all world markets would need to be accompanied by a 15-year transition period allowing countries to maintain a "core of restrictions" on imports during that period, the committee said in a statement.

This period should also provide for a "safeguard clause" in case of perturbation of the market, it said.

The textile market is currently the subject of an international protectionist accord known as the Multi-Fibre Agreement, which is due to be abolished under the current Uruguay round of multilateral negotiations to liberalise trade under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), due to be concluded in Brussels in December.

The committee warned that conditions for a return of the textile sector to the GATT had not been not fulfilled under the discussions, while adding that "substantial progress" could neverthless still be achieved in the coming weeks.

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#90303d6350 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (OCT 30) - The Saudi government has decided to ban the export of six basic foodstuffs and medicine, the official Saudi Press Agency (SPA) reported Tuesday.

Commerce Minister Sulaiman Abdel Aziz al-Sulaim, quoted by SPA, said that rice sugar, flour, powdered milk, barley and imported oils, as well as medicine, could no longer be exported.

Such goods are subsidized by the state for the benefit of Saudi citizens and foreigners living in the kingdom, but some people were exporting them, he said, without giving details.

Border posts have been notified of the ban and will impose fines on offenders, the minister said.

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#90303d6510 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 30) - An elderly tourist from New Zealand was gunned down in Soweto black township here Tuesday when he and his wife were held up after getting lost, state-run television reported.

Alfred Harrison, 74, and his wife Phyllis, 69, lost their way in Soweto, South Africa's largest black township adjoining Johannesburg, when a shot was fired at their car.

Their daughter, Georgina Braithwaite told television news the bullet travelled through her mother's arm and hit her father in the stomach.

Soweto police spokesman Lieutenant Colonel Tienie Halgryn said Mr. Harrison died at the scene of the incident and that only the couple's watches had been stolen.

He said the incident ocurred at 4.15 p.m. (1415 GMT) and that the "callous killing of an innocent tourist" was being intensively investigated by police.

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#90303d6520 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (OCT. 30) - The Rwandan army Tuesday retook the Kagitumba border post with Uganda which had been held by the Rwandan Patriotic Front since the rebels launched an offensive earlier this month in northeast Rwanda from Uganda.

The fall of Kagitumba was announced by state-run Rwandan radio and confirmed by eyewitnesses.

Witnesses said the anti-government forces pulled out of the border post earlier in the day.

A Belgian-sponsored ceasefire was agreed on Wednesday, but has yet effectively to be implemented.

Informed sources late Tuesday said the rebels remained in northeastern Rwanda mainly in the Mutara game reserve and the Akagera national park. Ugandan troops near the border had been reinforced to prevent a mass return of the rebels, they added.

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#90303d6570 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) - Squeezed by the budget crisis, a farm bill recently

passed by Congress and ready for White House approval will slash farm subsidies by 25 per cent over the next five years, causing turmoil among farmers and possibly hurting the U.S. position in world trade talks.

For the taxpayer, the total savings from this measure are predicted to reach 13.6 billion dollars over the five-year period, bringing the overall budget for "Farm Bill 1990" to 40.4 billion dollars.

More than half of the savings will come from a new program called "triple base" which cuts the amount of farmland qualifying for federal subsidies by 15 per cent.

The combination of these drastic measures will lop at least 15 per cent off subsidy payments to grain, rice and cotton growers and will freeze subsidy prices well below production costs, analysts said.

Current market prices are so low, they added, that farmers largely depend on federal support to help them finance their crops.

Slashing subsidies could quickly plunge thousands of U.S. farmers into bankruptcy, largely recreating the market crisis of the 1980's in which many farmers went permanently out of business, the experts said.

The new legislation also comes at an awkward time for Washington, they added, since it considerably weakens its position in the current Uruguay Round of negotiations within the framework of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

Those talks notably pit Washington against the European Economic Community (EEC) on the issue of farm subsidies, which the United States wants to see sharply reduced.

The move to cut U.S. farm subsidies by a fourth clearly undermines a U.S. bid to have world-wide agriculture subsidies slashed by 75 per cent immediately and by 90 per cent over a period of 10 years, the analysts said.

While the EEC strongly opposes reducing its farm subsidy programs, it seems ready to offer a compromise 30 per cent cut when the Uruguay Round holds its final meeting in Brussels in December.

U.S. President George Bush's administration has said it will present the 25 per cent cut in its farm subsidies as a "down payment" in the multilateral trade talks; clearly a face-saving measure according to analysts.

Only last weekend, Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter warned that if the Uruguay Round should end in a stalemate, he would ask the U.S. Congress to increase export subsidies to farm products in upcoming years

"Farm Bill 1990" also includes a provision allowing the agriculture secretary to raise or lower the loan rate -- a kind of guaranteed minimum price for commodities -- to keep the competitive edge of U.S. farm exports.

In addition, the bill maintains a series of measures to promote U.S. agricultural exports.

One of them allocates 500 million dollars a year to the Export Enhancement Program (EEP) -- a fourth of which will go to processed meat, poultry and flour -- designed to counter what the United States preceives as unfair competition from the EEC in some markets.

Two hundred million dollars have been set aside for an export promotion program, and 5.5 billion dollars is targetted for the GSM 102 export credit program.

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#90303d6600 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) - The key race for governor of Texas pits a sharp-tongued Republican businessman against a veteran Democratic politician in one of the most colorful and nastiest contests of the November 6 elections.

Latest polls put Republican candidate Clayton Williams, a conservative millionaire oilman and rancher from West Texas, slightly ahead of state Treasurer Ann Richards in their bid to succeed Republican Governor William Clements, who is not seeking re-election.

Texas, one of the three states with the fastest growing population along with California and Florida, is expected to gain three congressional seats as a result of the 1990 census which will confirm the population shift to the U.S. Sun Belt.

With a 1988 population of 17 million, Texas currently has 27 congressional seats.

And whoever succeeds Mr. Clements in Austin, the state capital, in January will oversee the redrawing of the state's congressional districts.

Despite the high stakes, the two candidates have been running lackluster campaigns, relying heavily on negative advertisements that have taken the art of mudslinging to new lows.

Mr. Williams, a 59-year-old political novice whose cowboy image and earthy language has endeared him to many Texans, entered the race with a distinct advantage.

Vowing to veto new taxes and to enact a tough anti-crime program, he has

sought to portray his rival as a liberal, career politician out of touch with the mainstream.

In addition, there is still considerable resistance to having a woman governor among conservative voters of East and South Texas, analysts said.

Ms. Richards, a 57-year-old recovering alcoholic who won national fame with her disparaging "he was born with a silver foot in his mouth" one-liner against candidate George Bush at the 1988 Democratic National Convention, hurt herself by being less than forthcoming in the Democrats' primary battle about whether she used illegal drugs in the past.

She has spent most of the campaign defending herself against Mr. Williams' attacks, presenting herself as an experienced, mainstream public servant committed to protecting the environment and free choice on abortion, improving the state's low education standards and promoting economic growth to tackle Texas's three-billion-dollar budget deficit.

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#90303d6630 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) - Eight sailors killed Tuesday in a boiler room explosion on a U.S. warship in the Gulf pushed to 40 the number of U.S. servicemen killed since Operation Desert Shield began, the Defense Department said.

The accident on board the USS Iwo Jima occurred off the coast of Bahrain as the amphibious assault ship was headed for the North Arabian Sea after routine maintenance in Manama, U.S. authorities said.

The accident Tuesday aboard the Iwo Jima helicopter carrier is the second fatal incident on a U.S. warship involved in Operation Desert Shield that began on August 8.

A U.S. sailor was electrocuted on August 21 while performing routine maintenance aboard the USS Antietam.

Fourteen U.S. servicemen have been killed in airplane and helicopter accidents in the Gulf region while 13 airmen died when a U.S. Air Force C-5A cargo plane crashed in West Germany while on its way to Saudi Arabia.

Four U.S. soldiers have died in vehicle and other accidents in Saudi Arabia, including a marine killed Tuesday when the jeep in which he was riding overturned in the Saudi desert.

The first death since Desert Shield began was a sergeant who was killed on August 12 when her truck overturned on a runway in Saudi Arabia.

#90303d6680 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (OCT. 30) - Brazil's Secretary for Science and Technology Jose Goldembourg confirmed Tuesday that China sold Brazil enriched uranium in 1984 for its nuclear research program.

Mr. Goldembourg's acknowledgement followed reports that a former secretary of the National Security Council told a closed-door congressional hearing of the sales of enriched uranium by Beijing.

The weekly magazine Veja cited two of the seven congressmen at the secret meeting as saying China had supplied uranium enriched at three percent, seven percent and 20 percent in 1984.

"At a time when the Brazilian Government is trying to be transparent in this domain, holding a secret session of Congress with the military seems an absurdity," Mr. Goldembourg told reporters.

Mr. Goldembourg said identifying China as the source of the urnanium would not have a negative effect on future negotiations to acquire enriched uranium.

The important thing, he said, was "to demystify nationally and internationally Brazil's nuclear activities, which have but one goal: to develop the country technologically."

Infrastructure Minister Ozires Silva said he was not concerned about the affair. "We are not making an atomic bomb and we have no bellicose objective with the nuclear projects developed by Brazil," he said.

In his testimony to the congressional committee investigating Brazil's nuclear program, general Danilo Venturi said the Brazilian Government decided to choose a country willing to sell enriched uranium after the United States unilaterally broke off its agreement to supply fuel for the Angara I nuclear reactor in Rio de Janeiro.

Without fuel to continue operating, Brazil began looking for other partners and had no trouble finding them, said the general, who served as secretary of the National Security Council in the government of general Joao Batista Figueiredo.

Besides China, a European country that is a signatory of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty offered nuclear fuel for Agra I, he said without identifying the government involved.

General Venturi also said that by 1982 Brazil had mastered the enrichment process up to 0.4 percent but did not disclosed it because general Figueiredo thought it was too soon to go public. In September 1987, President Jose Sarney

announced that Brazil had succeeded in enriching uranium to 1.3 percent.

Since coming to office in March, President Ferdinand Collor de Mello has pledged that Brazil's nuclear program would not be used to develop weapons.

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#90303d6780 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW, Oct 29 (AFP) - The Soviet republic of Estonia wants its own army to defend its ''neutrality,'' the Soviet news agency TASS reported here Tuesday.

It said an Estonian delegation told Soviet federal authorities here that the Baltic republic was a neutral state which should be ''well defended.''

The Soviet officials pointed out the ''difficulty'' of developing an army and said some of the Estonian proposals were ''unacceptable.''

Estonia seeks recognition as an independent state.

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#90303d6790 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 30) - A bomb blast rocked the city centre of Johannesburg late Tuesday night, police said.

The blast ocurred at 10.25 p.m. (2025 GMT) and shattered windows in the downtown Johannesburg area only six city blocks from where President Frederik de Klerk earlier Tuesday night addressed a convention of the South African Chamber of Business (SACOB) in Johannesburg's Carlton Hotel.

Police and security officials immediately cordoned off the area and a large crowd was dispersed from the scene by police with dogs, the South African SAPA news agency reported.

It was not immediately clear whether anyone was injured, SAPA said.

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#90303d6930 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (OCT 30) - Six Swedes are to leave Iraq Wednesday along with a Swedish parliamentary delegation now in Iraq to win the release of the some 80 Swedes kept there as hostages, Swedish radio said here Tuesday.

The Ekot radio station said the six were authorized to leave Iraq after the delegation of five Swedish deputies met with Palestinian officials in Iraq.

Four other Swedes returned to Sweden last Friday with Peter Osvald of the political department of the foreign ministry.

Iraq faces an international embargo due to its invasion August 2 and continuing occupation of Kuwait.

It has stopped some 4,000 foreigners from leaving the country to protest the U.S.-led military alliance now in Saudi Arabia, but this week allowed some 300 French and several people of other nationalities to leave.

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#90303d6960 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA (OCT. 30) - Two of five reactors at Bulgaria's sole nuclear power station, at Kozlodoui in the north of the country, were shut down Tuesday following an electrical problem, the Bulgarian news agency BTA said.

BTA said one of the reactors was later re-started.

The breakdown caused electricity shortages throughout Bulgaria.

The International Agency for Atomic Energy investigated the station last week and said that training and work conditions were inadequate there.

BTA said the agency experts had said the station ''presents a certain risk.''

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#90303d7120 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS, (OCT 30) - The Nigerian military government has decided to scrap a ban it was to have imposed on the export of raw cocoa beans, the minister of information, Chief Alex Akinyele, announced here Tuesday.

The decision to lift the prohibition order, which was to have come into effect from next year, was taken because Nigeria had inadequate facilities to process its own beans, the minister said.

The problem had been responsible for the acute financial and material losses experienced by local cocoa producers, he added.

According to Finance and Economic Development Minister Alhaji Abubakar Alhaji, only about 10 per cent of the 150,000 tonnes of cocoa produced in Nigeria annually are processed locally.

The government had announced the ban in January in a bid to increase the value added to the country's cocoa exports.

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#90303d7460 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TORONTO, (OCT 30) - A man claiming to be a former spy for the Iraqi Government has requested political asylum in Canada, the Toronto Sun reported Tuesday.

Ali Hussein Sumaida, 26, claiming to be the son of Iraq's ambassador to the Philippines, told the daily that "pro-Iraqi groups" were operating in the United States and Canada seeking to buy weapons and explosives for President Saddam Hussein's regime.

Mr. Sumaida said he began working as a spy for Iraq in 1985, but decided to quit this year in disagreement with his country's policy.

His request for political asylum has been filed with Canadian immigration authorities, with no date given yet for a hearing.

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#90303d7480 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT 30) - World Bank donor countries and other international aid organizations have pledged from 7.5 to eight billion dollars in cofinancing for drought and famine-stricken Sub Saharan Africa, a World Bank executive said Tuesday.

Edward Jaycox, World Bank Vice President for Africa, said the funds were pledged at a meeting Tuesday marking the second phase of the Special Program of Assistance begun in 1987.

The pledge represents an increase of two billion dollars over the amount pledged for the first phase of the program (1988-90) and will be committed over a three period starting in 1991.

The program provides some 21 low-income, highly indebted countries of Sub-Saharan Africa with financial aid for economic reforms and long-term development programs.

The funds were pledged at a meeting here of donor countries and international aid organizations including the International Monetary Fund, the European Investment Bank, U.N. Development Program, African Development Bank.

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#90303d7890 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUDAPEST (OCT 31) - Hungaria's parliament on Tuesday voted unanimously to become the first eastern European country to join the 23-nation Council of Europe.

The parliament also voted to sign the European Convention on Human Rights.

Tamas Katona, the secretary of state for foreign affairs, told members that Hungary had "fulfilled all the conditions necessary for membership."

These included "free parliamentary elections, respect for human rights and for the individual and collective rights of minorities," he said.

Hungary's formal entry will take place at a meeting in Rome on November 6.

The council, which is based in Strasbourg, France, groups 23 nations committed to respecting democracy and human rights. It was founded in 1949.

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#90303d8040 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (OCT. 31) - Divers from the Singapore navy found nine bombs Wednesday on the seabed in a channel between the holiday island of Sentosa and Pulau Brani near the Straits of Singapore, officials said.

The latest find brings to 15 the number of bombs uncovered by divers from the Singapore navy since the first batch of six bombs was located last Sunday during a routine training operation.

The relics are believed to be Japanese aerial bombs of World War II, with the biggest weighing up to 500 lbs.

Defense Spokesman Colonel Kwan Yue Yeong said the navy would continue to make periodic sweeps of the channel to ensure that the area is safe. Sentosa attracts thousands of foreign tourists each year.

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#90303d8050 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) - Amateur astronomers have found a U.S. spy satellite this month that was thought to have disintegrated after suffering catastrophic failure shortly after it was launched in March.

Four observers independently spotted the 500-million-dollar photo reconnaissance satellite, whose mission was to spy on the Soviet Union, said Ted Molczan of Toronto.

He said he tracked the satellite, which three other amateur astonomers had also spotted about 800 kilometers (500 miles) above earth.

The shuttle Atlantis launched the probe March 1 but the Soviet news agency Novosti reported March 7 that fragments presumably from the satellite were spotted in orbit and it assumed the probe had "been blown up by its owners for some unknown reasons."

The Defense Department had insisted Atlantis achieved its goal -- without specifying what that meant -- but said two parts "associated with" the payload had entered Earth's atmosphere and burned up and the rest was expected to disintegrate.

Florida Today first reported the reappearance of the satellite.

Mr. Molczan said the probe likely disappeared for so long because of a change in orbital inclination and altitude made it difficult to follow. He believes the satellite was boosted into a higher orbit and three degrees higher in inclination soon after the shuttle released it.

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#90303d8070 10/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 31) - North Korea on Wednesday announced the appointment of Hong Si-Hak as vice-premier and Kim Won-Jin as agriculture minister.

The official Korean Central News Agency (KCNA), in a report monitored here, said the appointments were made in a decree promulgated by President Kim Il-Sung.

Mr. Hong is a candidate member of the Workers' Party (communist) politburo and becomes North Korea's 11th vice-premier.

Mr. Kim was first deputy chairman of the Agricultural Commission of North Korea's Adminisrative Council (cabinet) and replaces Paek Bom-Su, KCNA said.

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#90303e0014 10/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NICOSIA (OCT. 30) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein met Tuesday with his Armed Forces general command to discuss "preparations for urban warfare in the province of Kuwait", the Iraqi news agency INA reported.

INA quoted Saddam, who is commander-in-chief of the Armed Forces, as saying it was necessary to "remain on a state of alert and preparation in the face of the treacherous intentions of the U.S. enemy and its allies over the next few days".

INA said the president "has asked Iraqis to prepare with all their forces and capabilities to face aggression against Iraq and its glory".

Tuesday's meeting was attended by the ministers of information, defence and military industrialisation and Iraqi officials in charge of security in occupied Kuwait.

Iraq invaded and annexed its tiny oil-rich neighbor Kuwait almost three months

ago and a multi-national force led by the United States is deployed in the Gulf in an effort to persuade Saddam to withdraw from the emirate.

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#90303e0016 10/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Tehran (OCT. 30) EFE - Twenty-two people were hanged Tuesday in the southeastern Iranian city of Zabul, after a provincial court found them guilty of armed robbery, kidnapping and drug trafficking, the official news agency IRNA reported.

The 22 were arrested eight days ago as they tried to flee to Afghanistan after stealing several vehicles, the agency said.

Authorities seized arms and ammunition from the suspects during the arrest, it said.

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#90303e0035 10/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 30) EFE - For the first time since the birth of the Soviet Union the Communist Party's politburo will not review next month's annual Revolution Day parade from the stand of honor above Lenin's mausoleum, Moscow city officials said Tuesday.

"The 73rd anniversary of the great October 25 Revolution is to be commemorated under unusual circumstances and its celebration has been organized differently " Moscow city Communist Party boss Yuri Prokofiev told a press conference.

He said only leaders of the parliaments and governments of the USSR and the Russian Federation have been invited to review the parade from atop the Bolshevik leader's tomb.

Prokofiev said the changes to the November 7 parade were due to the "diverse opinions that exist in society over the history and future" of the Soviet Union and because "today the communists in the capital are practically the opposition".

Prokofiev said the parade's organizing committee guest list includes President Mikhail Gorbachev and radical Russian Federation leader Boris Yeltsin.

But it is believed that Yeltsin will decline to stand beside Gorbachev during the celebration after Yeltsin slammed Soviet president for his "timid, conservative path" towards economic reforms.

Moscow Mayor Gavril Popov was also expected to be a no-show at the stand of honor. Popov last month urged city leaders to cancel the parade "so as not to divide society even more".

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#90303f2009 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.94	off 0.02
10 Public Utils	90.99	off 0.10
10 Industrials	86.89	up 0.06

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#90303h0033 10/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NEW DELHI (OCT. 30) XINHUA - INDIA'S UNFAVORABLE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS (BOP) MAY INCREASE BY 36.5 PERCENT TO 100 BILLION RUPEES (5.88 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) DUE TO THE GULF CRISIS, LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY QUOTING A GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL.

THE GULF CRISIS HAS CAUSED A RISE IN PRICES OF OIL AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND FALL IN OVERSEAS INDIAN'S REMITTANCES, AS WELL AS ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE FOR BRINGING BACK THE INDIANS IN KUWAIT OCCUPIED BY IRAQ IN AUGUST.

ADDRESSING A SEMINAR ON "CHALLENGES OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE" IN MADRAS ON MONDAY, DR G. SUNDARAM, ADDITIONAL SECRETARY TO THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE, SAID "ANY ASSESSMENT OF THE DIMENSIONS OF THE IMPACT ON OUR BOP IS SUBJECT TO TREMENDOUS UNCERTAINTIES WITH RESPECT TO HOW SOON THE GULF CRISIS WILL BE RESOLVED AND IN WHAT MANNER."

DR SUNDARAM SAID BEFORE THE CRISIS, INDIA PAID 2,660 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR CRUDE OIL IMPORTS AND 1980 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR PETROL AND RELATED PRODUCTS. BUT, WITH PRICES RISING TO 40 U.S. DOLLARS PER BARREL FROM 18 DOLLARS, INDIA HAS TO PAY MUCH MORE THAN THAT, HE ADDED.

ACCORDING TO THE 1988-89 RESERVE BANK OF INDIA ESTIMATES, HE SAID, TOTAL PRIVATE TRANSFER RECEIPTS (REMITTANCES) STOOD AT 2,350 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, OF WHICH 1,060 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS (45 PER CENT) CAME FROM WEST ASIA. ABOUT 200 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS CAME FROM KUWAIT ALONE.

"ASSUMING THAT A SIMILAR GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION OF REMITTANCE FOLLOWS FOR THE 12-MONTH PERIOD AHEAD, IT IS CLEAR THAT AT LEAST 200 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS WILL NO LONGER BE FORTHCOMING," HE SAID.

SUNDARAM SAID THE GULF CRISIS HAD ALSO AFFECTED VARIOUS EXPORT SECTORS, PARTICULARLY THE GEMS AND JEWELLERY SECTOR, AS WEST ASIA WAS A MAJOR MARKET FOR THIS.

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#90303h0041 10/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 30) XINHUA - THE PAYROLL OF CHINESE EMPLOYEES CLIMBED BY 10.6 PERCENT TO 197.3 BILLION YUAN IN THE FIRST THREE QUARTERS OF THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO THE STATE STATISTICS BUREAU HERE TODAY.

DEDUCTING THE PRICE HIKE FACTOR, THE ACTUAL INCREASE IN PAY STOOD AT 9.5 PERCENT -- THE HIGHEST GROWTH RATE SINCE 1987, ACCORDING TO THE STATISTICS.

THE PAY INCREASE WAS ASCRIBED TO THE WAGE INCREASE MEASURES ADOPTED BY THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT.

THE FIRST QUARTER SAW A GROWTH OF EIGHT PERCENT, THE SECOND QUARTER, 10.9 PERCENT AND THE THIRD QUARTER, 12.6 PERCENT.

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#90303h0079 10/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NEW DELHI (OCT. 30) XINHUA - A BOLD, INNOVATIVE AND LONG-TERM STRATEGY SHOULD BE ADOPTED BY THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT TO STEP UP ITS AGRO-EXPORTS, INCLUDING PROCESSED FOODS, TO ACHIEVE THE TARGET OF 150 BILLION RUPEES (8.82 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) BY 1995.

INDIA'S PRESENT LEVEL OF AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS IS ABOUT 28 BILLION RUPEES (1.64 BILLION US DOLLARS).

THE PROPOSAL WAS MADE BY THE ASSOCIATED CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY OF INDIA, IN A BACKGROUND PAPER PREPARED FOR A SEMINAR ON INDUSTRY-AGRICULTURE LINKAGES TO BE HELD HERE ON NOVEMBER 1.

ACCORDING TO THE PAPER, THE STRATEGY SHOULD AIM AT CREATING AN IMAGE OF INDIA AS A RELIABLE EXPORTER. ITS AGRO-EXPORTS SHOULD NOT BE DEPENDENT ON AVAILABILITY OF SURPLUS BUT MUST BE CONTINUED EVEN WHEN THERE IS SHORTFALL IN DOMESTIC PRODUCTION.

THIS CAN BE DONE THROUGH TEMPORARY IMPORTS OF THE PARTICULAR COMMODITY IN SHORT SUPPLY FOR DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION WITHOUT AFFECTING EXPORTS, IT SAID.

THIS POLICY IS ALREADY FOLLOWED IN INDIA AT PRESENT IN RESPECT OF SUGAR AND RICE, BUT NEEDS TO BE EXTENDED TO MORE ITEMS, THE PAPER ADDED.

FOR INSTANCE, IT SAID, LOW VALUE TEA CAN BE IMPORTED FOR MEETING THE DOMESTIC DEMAND SHOULD INDIA'S TEA PRODUCTION SUFFER A SETBACK, WITHOUT CURTAILING THE EXPORT OF HIGH QUALITY TEA OR ITS BLENDS.

IN ORDER TO PROMOTE MEAT AND POULTRY EXPORTS, THE PAPER SAID, DISEASE-FREE DISTRICTS SHOULD BE IDENTIFIED TO GIVE CONFIDENCE TO IMPORTING COUNTRIES. SUBSIDY SHOULD BE PROVIDED FOR POULTRY FARMING TO MAKE EGG AND CHICKEN EXPORTS

COMPETITIVE.

IN THE AREA OF MARINE PRODUCTS, HARBORS ON COASTS SHOULD BE MODERNIZED. SIMILARLY, INPUTS FOR FISH CAPTURE HAVE TO BE TECHNOLOGICALLY UPGRADED, IT SUGGESTED.

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#90303h0083 10/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TIANJIN (OCT. 30) XINHUA - TIANJIN, A LEADING PORT CITY IN NORTH CHINA, EXPORTED 1.38 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS WORTH OF GOODS BY OCTOBER 20 THIS YEAR, A 9.3 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

TRADITIONAL ITEMS OF FARM PRODUCE AND NATIVE PRODUCTS KEPT RISING MOMENTUM WHILE THE EXPORTS OF MANUFACTURED GOODS SUCH AS LEATHER SHOES, AUTOMOBILE AND MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS INCREASED CONSIDERABLY.

THE CITY GIVES PRIORITY TO MANUFACTURED INDUSTRIAL AND MARKETABLE PRODUCTS AND MACHINERY AND ELECTRIC PRODUCTS IN EXPORT IN THE WAKE OF A READJUSTMENT OF PRODUCT-MIX EARLIER THIS YEAR.

MEANWHILE, THE TIANJIN MUNICIPAL FOREIGN TRADE DEPARTMENT ATTACHED GREAT IMPORTANCE TO QUALITY OF EXPORTED PRODUCTS AND FAITHFULLY KEPT TO CONTRACTS. AS A RESULT, NO FOREIGN CUSTOMERS CLAIMED INDEMNITY SO FAR.

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#90303h0115 10/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TIANJIN (OCT. 30) XINHUA - TIANJIN MUNICIPALITY EARNED 5.68 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FROM THE EXPORT OF 624 TONS OF ESSENCE AND SPICES IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO SOURCES FROM THE MUNICIPAL GROUP COMPANIES OF ESSENCE AND SPICES.

THE 624 TONS OF EXPORTED PRODUCTS MARKED A 10.25 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, WHILE THE MONEY EARNED INCREASED DRAMATICALLY BY 23 PERCENT.

IN ADDITION, THE TIANJIN MUNICIPAL GROUP COMPANIES OF ESSENCE AND SPICES HAS SIGNED CONTRACTS WORTH 4.33 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR THIS YEAR WITH BUSINESSMEN FROM THE UNITED STATES, SWITZERLAND AND OTHER COUNTRIES.

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#90303h0120 10/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LIMA (OCT. 30) XINHUA - PERU AND THE UNITED STATES HAVE DECIDED TO FORM MIXED TEAMS OF ANTI-NARCOTICS EXPERTS IN ORDER TO DEVELOP AN EFFECTIVE AND COMPREHENSIVE ANTI-DRUG STRATEGY, A U.S. OFFICIAL SAID MONDAY.

MELVIN LEBINSKI, U.S. ACTING SECRETARY FOR NARCOTICS AFFAIRS WHO MET WITH PERUVIAN PRESIDENT ALBERTO FUJIMORI MONDAY AT THE GOVERNMENT PALACE, SAID THE TWO COUNTRIES HAVE SIMILAR STRATEGIES TO FIGHT AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKING AND SO THE UNITED STATES DECIDED TO GIVE PERU THE HELP IT NEEDS TO COMBAT THE TRADE.

THE TWO NOW PLAN TO FORMULATE A NEW STRATEGY WHICH WILL COMPRISE THE POLITICAL AND MILITARY ASPECTS OF FIGHTING THE ILLICIT TRADE, AS WELL AS KEEP TIGHT CONTROLS ON THE USE OF CHEMICALS AND LAUNCH A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION INTO DRUG MONEY LAUNDERING, HE SAID.

LEBINSKI SAID HE WAS OPTIMISTIC ABOUT PERU'S ANTI-DRUG TRAFFICKING PROPOSAL, ADDING THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS A SUBSTANTIAL ECONOMIC AND MILITARY AID PACKAGE FOR ALL COCA PRODUCING COUNTRIES, INCLUDING PERU.

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#90303h0139 10/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 30) XINHUA - CHINA'S TOURISM CONTINUES TO REBOUND WITH TOURIST ARRIVALS IN SEPTEMBER REACHING 2.19 MILLION, UP 56.3 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, OR 80.1 PERCENT OF THE 1988 RECORD FIGURE FOR THE SAME PERIOD.

ACCORDING TO THE LATEST STATISTICS FROM THE NATIONAL TOURISM ADMINISTRATION, THIS NUMBER INCLUDED 175,000 FOREIGNERS, UP 59.9 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

TOTAL TOURIST ARRIVALS FOR JANUARY THROUGH SEPTEMBER AMOUNTED TO 20.22 MILLION UP 11.6 PERCENT OVER LAST YEAR'S SAME PERIOD. THIS FIGURE INCLUDED 1.23 MILLION FOREIGN TOURISTS.

THE FOREIGN CURRENCY EARNED FROM TOURISM IN THE FIRST THREE QUARTERS OF THIS YEAR AMOUNTED TO 1.56 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS. THIS WAS 12 PERCENT MORE THAN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, OR 98.1 PERCENT OF THE FIGURE FOR THE SAME PERIOD IN 1988.

THE AMOUNT EARNED THUS FAR ACCOUNTS FOR 78 PERCENT OF THIS YEAR'S TARGET OF 2 BILLION SET AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR.

IN SEPTEMBER, TOURISTS FROM JAPAN, BRITAIN, FEDERAL GERMANY, AND ITALY INCREASED BY A MARGIN OF MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OVER 1989, WHILE TOURISTS FROM THE PHILIPPINES AND THE SOVIET UNION SURPASSED THE 1988 FIGURES.

JAPAN HAD THE GREATEST NUMBER OF TOURISTS TO CHINA IN THE FIRST THREE QUARTERS OF THE YEAR, FOLLOWED BY THE UNITED STATES, THE SOVIET UNION, SINGAPORE, THE PHILIPPINES, THAILAND, BRITAIN, AUSTRALIA, FEDERAL GERMANY AND FRANCE.

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#90303h0140 10/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NEW DELHI (OCT. 30) XINHUA - THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (ADB) WILL INCREASE ITS DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO INDIA BY OVER 40 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR'S 498 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, ADB PRESIDENT M.K. TARUMIZU SAID TODAY.

TARUMIZU, WHO IS VISITING DHAKA, TOLD THE PRESS TRUST OF INDIA THAT THE ASSISTANCE WOULD BE BASICALLY FOR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND REMOVAL OF CONSTRAINTS IN SECTORS SUCH AS TRANSPORT AND POWER.

REPLYING TO A QUESTION, TARUMIZU SAID THE ECONOMIC SITUATION IN INDIA IS NOT EASY PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF THE DEVELOPMENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

ASKED ABOUT THE ADB'S ROLE FOLLOWING THE GULF CRISIS, TARUMIZU SAID A SPECIAL COMMITTEE HAD BEEN SET UP TO ASSESS ITS IMPACT ON MEMBER COUNTRIES, PARTICULARLY IN REGARD TO THE BALANCE OF PAYMENT POSITION.

THE ADB PROPOSED TO ASSIST MEMBER COUNTRIES IN COOPERATION WITH OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS LIKE THE WORLD BANK AND THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND, HE SAID.

THE ADB PRESIDENT ALSO ASSURED FURTHER ASSISTANCE TO BANGLADESH. HE SAID THIS YEAR'S ASSISTANCE TO BANGLADESH IS EXPECTED TO RISE TO 400 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FROM THE PRESENT 339 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

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#90303h0170 10/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
TEHRAN (OCT. 30) XINHUA - FORTY-ONE CONVICTED DRUG TRAFFICKERS WERE HANGED IN TWO IRANIAN CITIES TODAY.

THE CONDEMNED WERE FOUND GUILTY OF BANDITRY, ARMED ROBBERY AND ABDUCTION IN ADDITION TO NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY IRNA.

THE LATEST EXECUTIONS WERE PART OF A NATIONWIDE ANTI-DRUG CAMPAIGN STARTED IN JANUARY 1989.

UNDER A STRICT ANTI-DRUG LAW, EFFECTIVE AS OF JANUARY 21 OF LAST YEAR, ANY DRUG TRAFFICKER CAUGHT WITH MORE THAN 30 GRAMS OF HEROIN OR FIVE KILOGRAMS OF OPIUM WILL BE SENTENCED TO DEATH.

AN ESTIMATED 1,500 PEOPLE MAY HAVE BEEN EXECUTED FOR DRUG RELATED CRIMES OVER THE PAST 21 MONTHS.

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#90303j0001 10/30/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)
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Larry King Live (CNN) October 29, 1990 (Transcript #159)

An Analysis of the CNN Interview with Saddam Hussein: Bernard Shaw and Richard Blystone -- the journalists who conducted the interview -- comment on their impressions of Saddam Hussein. A political psychologist and military expert add their views.

Crossfire (CNN) October 29, 1990 (Transcript #171)

Talk of War: Retired Colonel William Taylor of the Center for Strategic and International Studies and retired Admiral Gene LaRocque of the Center for Defense Information discuss the possibility of war in the Persian Gulf and strategic options in the event of war.

American Experience (WGBH) October 29, 1990 (Transcript #304)

Insanity on Trial: The 1881 trial of Charles Guiteau, who participated in his own defense, claiming God instructed him to asassinate President James A. Garfield. The program includes comments from historians.

Donahue October 29, 1990 (Transcript #3065)

Lovers Battle, Leave 12-Year-Old Dying in the Middle: A discussion of whether the mother of three-year-old twins should be required to submit them as possible bone marrow donors to their leukemia-stricken half-brother.

Geraldo October 29, 1990 (Transcript #813)

Terror on Campus: Students from colleges and universities around the country talk openly about their fears of violence and crime on campuses today. Preventive and safety methods against rape, murder and racism are discussed.

Nightline (ABC) October 29, 1990 (Transcript #2461)

Daily News Strike Symbol of U.S. Newspaper Decline?: As workers strike at New York's Daily News and its future is at risk, fewer Americans are choosing newspapers as their primary source of news. Are big-city papers becoming media dinosaurs?

Oprah Winfrey Show October 29, 1990 (Transcript #1076)

Gay Men/Straight Women: Straight women who are friends with gay men and heterosexual men who dislike it when a gay man gets close to their mates discuss their situations with Catherine Whitney, author of Uncommon Lives -- Gay Men & Straight Women.

Sally Jessy Raphael October 29, 1990 (Transcript #561)

Barry Manilow: The singer discusses his personal life and recent comeback.

Tuesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Japanese Racial Insensitivities Sally Jessy Raphael: Housewives in Sexy Second Careers Geraldo: Fatal Marriages Oprah Winfrey: Love Triangles

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TOKYO (OCT. 30) KYODO - A GOVERNMENT ADVISORY PANEL URGED THE GOVERNMENT ON TUESDAY TO INTRODUCE A NEW TAX ON LAND HOLDINGS IN ORDER TO BRING DOWN JAPAN'S ABSURDLY HIGH LAND PRICES AND TO PUT A BRAKE ON THE WIDENING GAP BETWEEN THE HAVES AND THE HAVE-NOTS.

THE TAX SYSTEM COUNCIL, AN ADVISORY BODY TO THE PRIME MINISTER, SAID IN A RECOMMENDATION THAT TOGETHER WITH THE NEW TAX, TENTATIVELY CALLED THE ''LAND HOLDING TAX,'' THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD CARRY OUT OTHER TAX REFORMS, INCLUDING HEAVIER TAXES ON LAND TRANSACTIONS AND FARMLAND IN COMMERCIAL AREAS.

THE RECOMMENDATION, SUBMITTED TO PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU, HAS LAID THE GROUNDWORK FOR THE GOVERNMENT'S LAND POLICY REFORM, ALONG WITH A REPORT PUBLISHED BY THE LAND POLICY COUNCIL, ANOTHER GOVERNMENTAL BODY, EARLIER IN THE DAY.

TERMING THE INFLATED LAND PRICES IN JAPAN ''ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TASKS FACING THE COUNTRY AT PRESENT,'' THE COUNCIL SAID THE LAND PRICE SPIRAL HAS HELPED WIDEN THE ASSET GAP AMONG THE PEOPLE, DISCOURAGING WORKERS WHO CANNOT OWN THEIR LAND AND THUS THREATENING JAPAN'S ECONOMIC PROSPERITY.

JAPAN'S LAND PRICES ARE SO HIGH THAT THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE CANNOT BUY LAND EVEN IF THEY WORK HARD FOR MOST OF THEIR LIVES.

DEFINING THE LAND HOLDING TAX, TO BE INTRODUCED AT THE BEGINNING OF FISCAL 1992, THE COUNCIL SAID THE NEW TAX SHOULD BE LEVIED ON BOTH COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL LANDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE VALUE OF THE PROPERTIES.

THE COUNCIL BELIEVES THAT SUCH TAXATION WILL MAKE IT COSTLY TO OWN LAND, DISCOURAGING LAND OWNERSHIP FOR SPECULATION AND PREVENTING FURTHER ASSET INFLATION.

BUT THE COUNCIL DECIDED THAT LANDS USED FOR HOUSING OR PUBLIC PURPOSES BE FREE OF TAXES AND THAT BASIC DEDUCTIONS BE ALLOWED ON LANDS WHOSE VALUE IS BELOW A CERTAIN LEVEL.

ANALYSTS SAID THAT AS A RESULT OF THESE LOOPHOLES, THE PROPOSED NEW TAX IS CONSERVATIVE COMPARED WITH THE ORIGINALLY PLANNED ACROSS-THE-BOARD TAXATION.

SINCE THE TAX SHELTERS WILL KEEP MOST PERSONAL LANDOWNERS EXEMPTED FROM THE NEW TAX, THE TAX REVENUE, PART OF WHICH WILL BE RECYCLED IN THE FORM OF REDUCED INCOME AND CORPORATE TAXES, SHOULD FAIL TO REACH 1 TRILLION YEN, THE ANALYSTS SAID.

THE COUNCIL ALSO RECOMMENDED THAT FROM FISCAL 1991, BEGINNING APRIL 1 OF THAT YEAR, THE GOVERNMENT REVIEW EXISTING LAND TAXES, AND IMPOSE STIFFER TAXATION ON FARMLAND.

URBAN FARMERS CURRENTLY ENJOY LOWER FIXED-ASSET TAX RATES AND EXEMPTIONS FROM INHERITANCE TAX, PRIVILEGES PARTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SHORTAGE OF RESIDENTIAL LAND IN BIG CITIES.

ON THE BASIS OF THE RECOMMENDATION, A TAX COMMISSION UNDER THE RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP) WILL FINALIZE THE LAND POLICY REFORM PLAN BY THE END OF NOVEMBER, AFTER WORKING OUT THE RATE AND SCOPE OF THE LAND HOLDING TAX AND OTHER DETAILS.

BUT THE ANALYSTS SAID THE PLANNED REFORMS COULD BE IN FOR A ROUGH RIDE, SINCE THE PROPOSED NEW TAX IS ALREADY UNDER STRONG CRITICISM FROM BUSINESSES, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, AND EVEN ELEMENTS WITHIN THE LDP.

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TOKYO (OCT. 30) KYODO - IN AN IRONIC DEVELOPMENT FOR THE OWNER OF JAPAN'S FIVE BIGGEST STOCK EXCHANGES, HEIWA REAL ESTATE CO. WILL WITHDRAW FROM STOCK INVESTMENT AFTER TAKING MASSIVE LOSSES IN THE VALUE OF ITS HOLDINGS, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE COMPANY PLANS TO SELL STOCK HOLDINGS WORTH ABOUT 2.56 BILLION YEN IN THE SECOND HALF OF FISCAL 1990 IN ORDER TO PREVENT FURTHER DEFLATION OF ITS STOCK HOLDINGS.

SO FAR THIS YEAR, THE COMPANY HAS POSTED MORE THAN 1 BILLION YEN IN APPAISAL LOSSES IN THE VALUE OF ITS 4.1 BILLION YEN STOCK AND BOND HOLDINGS DUE TO THE STOCK MARKET SLUMP.

WEIGHED DOWN BY THE LOSSES, THE REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER IS EXPECTED TO SEE ITS PRETAX PROFITS FOR FISCAL 1990 SLASHED BY 5.1 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER.

A COMPANY OFFICIAL SAID HEIWA WILL SHIFT ITS MONEY FOR STOCK INVESTMENT TO MORE STABLE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS SUCH AS LARGE-LOT TIME DEPOSITS.

THE TOKYO-BASED COMPANY, OWNER OF THE STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDINGS IN TOKYO, OSAKA NAGOYA, KYOTO, AND FUKUOKA, SECURES MOST OF ITS PROFITS THROUGH RENTS FROM SUCH BUILDINGS.

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TOKYO (OCT. 30) KYODO - DAIWA SECURITIES CO. AND NIKKO SECURITIES CO., BOTH SAID TUESDAY THAT THE SWISS FEDERAL BANKING COMMISSION HAS PERMITTED TO GRANT THEIR SUBSIDIARIES BANKING LICENSES.

THE DECISION TO APPLY FOR SUCH LICENSES WAS PROMPTED BY AN AMENDMENT TO THE SWISS BANKING LAW, EFFECTIVE NEXT JANUARY, WHICH FORBIDS BROKERAGES TO UNDERWRITE SECURITIES WITHOUT THEM.

UPON RECEIVING THE LICENSES, THE FIRMS WILL BE PERMITTED TO DEAL IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE, OFFICIALS FROM THE TWO BROKERAGES SAID.

THE LICENSES WILL ALSO GIVE THEM MEMBERSHIP IN THE SWISS SECURITIES CLEARING CO., WHICH WILL ALLOW THEM TO ENTER THE INVESTMENT TRUST FUND MANAGEMENT BUSINESS, THEY SAID.

NOMURA SECURITIES CO. AND YAMAICHI SECURITIES CO., THE OTHER TWO OF JAPAN'S ''BIG FOUR'' BROKERAGE HOUSES, HAVE EARLIER BEEN GRANTED SUCH LICENSES.

BUT SWITZERLAND HAD FROZEN THE GRANTING OF LICENSES TO OTHER JAPANESE BANKS AND SECURITIES FIRMS FOR ABOUT A YEAR AND HALF ON THE GROUNDS THAT JAPAN HAS BEEN SLOW IN LIBERALIZING ITS FINANCIAL MARKETS.

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KUALA LUMPUR (OCT. 30) KYODO - SONY CORP. CHAIRMAN AKIO MORITA WARNED

MALAYSIAN BANKERS TUESDAY THAT THEY SHOULD AVOID THE TEMPTATION OF SEEKING QUICK PROFITS ON FINANCIAL MARKETS AND INVEST INSTEAD IN THE NATION'S ABILITY TO MANUFACTURE QUALITY PRODUCTS.

"IT MAY BE AN OVERSIMPLIFICATION BUT THE FUTURE OF A NATION WILL BE SHAPED BY ITS ABILITY TO PRODUCE PLANES, CARS, ELECTRONICS, HIGH TECHNOLOGY, AND SO FORTH. NOT BY HOW SLICK ITS FINANCIAL MARKETS CAN SHUFFLE AND EXPLOIT PAPER ASSETS," HE SAID AT A LECTURE ORGANIZED BY THE MALAYSIAN ASSOCIATION OF BANKERS.

MORITA MANUFACTURING IS IMPORTANT AS IT IS "FUNDAMENTAL TO ANY NATION OR ECONOMY" AND REGRETTED THAT "MANY OF THE SHARPEST YOUNG BUSINESS MINDS ARE BEING SWEPT UP IN THIS FRANTIC BUY-SELL FEVER."

THIS "WORRISOME TREND" IS "SAPPING THE STRENGTH AND BLURRING THE FOCUS OF THE ECONOMY," SAID MORITA, WHO IS ALSO VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS OF JAPAN.

HE SAID THE SECURITIES AND BANKING INDUSTRY, WHICH USED TO PRIMARILY SUPPORT MANUFACTURING AND OTHER PRODUCTION BUSINESSES, "HAS BECOME AN END UNTO ITSELF: MAKING MONEY BY MOVING IT AROUND, BUYING COMPANIES AND THEN BREAKING THEM APART."

MORITA IS WELL-KNOWN IN MALAYSIA. HIS BOOK, "MADE IN JAPAN" WAS A BESTSELLER HERE A FEW YEARS AGO. FAMOUS WORLDWIDE FOR DEVELOPING THE SONY WALKMAN, MORITA ALSO CO-AUTHORED ANOTHER BOOK ENTITLED, "A JAPAN THAT CAN SAY NO."

MORITA ALSO SAID CAPITAL SHOULD BE INVESTED TO SUPPORT NEEDED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOR THE CREATION OF NEW PRODUCTS.

AS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IS GETTING MORE EXPENSIVE, MORITA SUGGESTED THAT COMPANIES WORLDWIDE, EVEN COMPETITORS, SHOULD COOPERATE TO CUT COSTS.

SONY AND PHILIPS NV OF THE NETHERLANDS, TWO OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST ELECTRONICS MANUFACTURERS, CODEVELOPED THE WORLD'S FIRST DIGITAL RECORDING DISC TECHNOLOGY WHICH LED TO CURRENT COMPACT DISC SYSTEMS. OTHER COMPANIES CAN FOLLOW SUIT, HE SAID.

ON A BROADER SCALE, HE PROPOSED A MULTILATERAL ROUNDTABLE OF NATIONS TO IDENTIFY AND DISCUSS TRENDS ON HOW A NEW MARKET OR TECHNOLOGY WILL DEVELOP SO THAT EACH COMPANY CAN INDEPENDENTLY PLAN INVESTMENTS IN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOR THE FUTURE.

HE SAID A BILATERAL ECONOMIC COMMUNITY/JAPAN CONSUMER ELECTRONICS ROUNDTABLE, ESTABLISHED IN 1982, THAT ALLOWS INDUSTRY MEMBERS DISCUSS LONG RANGE OUTLOOKS FOR BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY, IS A WORKABLE MODEL.

"I BELIEVE WE CAN BUILD A ROUNDTABLE BIG ENOUGH TO SEAT US ALL," HE SAID.

ASKED WHY SONY BOUGHT COLUMBIA PICTURES ENTERTAINMENT, MORITA SAID IT IS LOGICAL TO HAVE BOTH THE SOFTWARE AND THE HARDWARE FOR AUDIO-VISUAL PRODUCTS.

HE SAID SONY INITIALLY HAD PROBLEMS SELLING ITS COMPACT DISCS BECAUSE MUSIC WAS MAINLY RECORDED ON LONG-PLAYING RECORDS.

SONY ONLY MADE PROGRESS AFTER IT PROVIDED MUSIC IN COMPACT DISCS THROUGH A JOINT VENTURE WITH CBS INC. OF THE U.S., HE SAID.

HE SAID COLUMBIA PICTURES ENTERTAINMENT WILL PROVIDE THE SOFTWARE FOR THE AUDIO-VISUAL LASER DISC THAT SONY IS NOW DEVELOPING.

AFTER THE LUNCHEON LECTURE, MORITA LEFT FOR THE NORTHERN ISLAND OF PENANG TO VISIT ONE OF SONY'S FIVE FACTORIES IN MALAYSIA.

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TOKYO (OCT. 30) KYODO - NEC CORP., FUJITSU LTD., AND OCEAN CABLE CO., SAID TUESDAY THEY HAVE SIGNED A CONTRACT IN BRUNEI TO SET UP AN UNDERWATER OPTICAL CABLE SYSTEM LINKING FOUR MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN).

THE UNDERWATER CABLE WILL LINK BRUNEI, SINGAPORE, MALAYSIA, AND THE PHILIPPINES, THE FIRM OFFICIALS SAID.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE CABLE LINKING BRUNEI AND SINGAPORE IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN LATE NOVEMBER, 1991. THE LINE LINKING BRUNEI, MALAYSIA, AND THE PHILIPPINES IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN LATE JANUARY 1992.

THE TWO LINES WILL EACH BE APPROXIMATELY 1,500 KILOMETERS LONG. THE LINES WILL HAVE AN INFORMATION CAPACITY OF 560 MEGABITS PER SECOND, THEY SAID. ONE MEGABIT IS EQUAL TO 1 MILLION BITS.

THE TELEPHONE CIRCUIT WILL HAVE A CAPACITY OF ABOUT 15,000 CIRCUITS, THE LARGEST IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, THEY SAID.

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SINGAPORE (OCT. 30) KYODO - SINGAPORE'S ARMED FORCES WILL HOLD AN AIR DEFENSE ARTILLERY EXERCISE IN AUSTRALIA FOR TWO WEEKS STARTING OCTOBER 5, THE STATE-RUN SINGAPORE BROADCASTING CORPORATION REPORTED TUESDAY.

SOME 63 SOLDIERS FROM THE 165TH BATTALION OF SINGAPORE'S AIR DEFENSE ARTILLERY WILL TAKE PART IN THE EXERCISE, CODENAMED NULLA NULLA II, THE STATION SAID.

THE EXERCISE, WHICH IS THE SECOND IN THE NULLA NULLA SERIES, WILL INVOLVE SINGAPORE'S RAPIER GROUND TO AIR MISSILES AND LIVE AMMUNITION AT PORT WAKEFIELD, SOUTHERN AUSTRALIA.

AUSTRALIA HAS ALLOWED THE REPUBLIC'S ARMED FORCES TO USE SOME OF ITS TRAINING AREAS SINCE 1975.

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TOKYO (OCT. 30) KYODO - JAPAN IS TAKING A "CAUTIOUS" STANCE TOWARD A CHINESE PROPOSAL THAT CHINA AND JAPAN JOINTLY DEVELOP THE SENKAKU ISLANDS CLAIMED BY THE TWO COUNTRIES, AS WELL AS BY TAIWAN, A FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID TUESDAY.

IN A MEETING WITH FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS, TAIZO WATANABE SAID JAPAN IS TRYING TO RESPOND "CAUTIOUSLY," BASED ON THE FUNDAMENTAL POSITION THAT THE ISLANDS ARE JAPANESE TERRITORY.

CHINA'S VICE FOREIGN MINISTER QI HUAIYUAN PROPOSED IN A MEETING SATURDAY WITH JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO CHINA HIROSHI HASHIMOTO THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES BEGIN TALKS ON JOINTLY DEVELOPING THE POTENTIALLY OIL-RICH AREA AROUND THE ISLAND GROUP.

FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCES SAID JAPAN HAS SO FAR NOT PUSHED AHEAD WITH EXPLORATION OF THE SURROUNDING SEABED DUE TO THE ISSUE'S POLITICAL SENSITIVITY.

THE SOURCES SAID THE IDEA OF JOINT DEVELOPMENT, WHICH HAS BEEN PROPOSED BY CHINA IN THE PAST, CARRIES THE POTENTIAL FOR UNDERMINING THE LEGITIMACY OF JAPAN'S CLAIM TO THE ISLANDS, WHICH LIE SOME 190 KILOMETERS NORTH OF TAIWAN.

THE SOVIET UNION HAS LONG BEEN CALLING ON JAPAN TO AGREE TO A JOINT DEVELOPMENT SCHEME FOR FOUR ISLANDS, CLAIMED BY JAPAN, WHICH LIE NORTHEAST OF HOKKAIDO.

BUT JAPAN HAS REJECTED THE SOVIET PROPOSALS ON THE GROUNDS THEY DO NOT ENTAIL A RECOGNITION OF JAPANESE SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE ISLANDS.

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NAGOYA (OCT. 30) KYODO - CHUBU ELECTRIC POWER CO. PLANS TO IMPORT 400,000 TONS OF COAL ANNUALLY FROM CHINA FOR ITS NEW THERMAL POWER STATION IN HEKINAN, AICHI PREFECTURE, WHICH IS TO START OPERATION IN OCTOBER NEXT YEAR, COMPANY PRESIDENT KAMESABURO MATSUNAGA TOLD REPORTERS TUESDAY.

A FORMAL CONTRACT COVERING THE COAL IMPORT FOR THE 2.1 MILLION KILOWATT POWER STATION IS EXPECTED TO BE CONCLUDED NEXT MARCH. THE COAL WILL COME FROM THE

CHINESE PROVINCE OF SHANXI.

CHUBU ELECTRIC IS THE NATION'S THIRD-RANKING ELECTRIC POWER FIRM, SUPPLYING POWER TO CENTRAL JAPAN.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 30) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that the Gross National Product for the third quarter rose 1,8%. Analysts expected it to expand at an inflation-adjusted rate of 0.8% up from the second quarter rate of 0.4%.

It is a down day for world stocks. ... The Nikkei loses 87 points while the FTSE has slumped 21 points at midday. ... Bonds continue lower with the yield on the long Treasury at 8.83%. The dollar is mixed. ... Crude oil keeps moving higher with Brent crude up 40 cents to $34.70. ... The FEDERAL RESERVE lowered a key short-term interest rate by a quarter of a percentage point in response to the deficit reduction package's passage. ... The SEC has ordered mutual funds with "guaranteed" or "insured" in their names to remove those words. sluggish economy cuts into the management consulting concern's business. ... NATIONAL GYPSUM and its parent AANCOR sought Chapter 11 protection because they couldn't find a lender to replace an expiring line of credit. ... AST unveiled a line of personal computers featuring Intel's powerful 486 chip at about half the price of similar models sold by competitors. ... BOEING reports a 56% gain in third-quarter net income.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

Figures for September new home sales are set for release at 10 a.m. EST. They are expected to have weakened further to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 542,000 units, which would be 1.5% below August's 550,000 unit rate. ... PEPSICO plans to combine its fast- growing restaurants abroad with its more mature domestic chains. ... GENERAL MOTORS intends to idle at least 11 of its 29 U.S. assembly plants in November.

FROM THE BEARS:

"If the market doesn't react favorably to good news, you'll see how it's going to react to the next spate of bad news," says ROBERT STOVALL of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. He says that Wall Street was so "disenchanted" with the budget process that it was not going to react favorably to any news. He says the budget process was like "an enormous elephant laboring to produce an offspring and out comes a mouse or two." But, he says, barring military action, "the next move in the market is up." ("Nightly Business Report",

10/29)

"We're still in a very, very ferocious bear market," says RALPH ACAMPORA of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. "Once the market picks its head up, there is some selling in there and I don't think the selling is finished. This bear is not going to end on a whimper, it's going to end on a bang." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/29)

"Presently, the stock market is in a major bear phase," says RICHARD MEULLER of "Mueller Market Cycles," who thinks the recent rally in stocks will top out over the next two weeks, followed by a market pullback into December. "[There is] a good chance that the previous closing low of 2365 will be violated," says Meuller. He advises his clients to reduce their stock holdings to 10% on October 31 and transfer the proceeds to a money market fund. Trade the market on the short side after November 7, says Meuller. (CNBC "World Business", 10/30)

"The deficit package reaffirms the bear market," says JOHN BURKE, a floortrader at the NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE. "It does not create the kind of economic climate to get us out of the malaise we're in." (WSJ, 10/30)

GAIL DUDACK, technical analyst at S.G. WARBURG, says the market has wasted its best opportunity for a big rebound. "A couple of weeks ago the market started a classic bear market rally, but the wind has been taken out of its sails." Her downside target is 2050 to 2150 on the DJIA. (WSJ, 10/30)

STOCK MARKET:

"Taxes are going up in front of a recession, consumer confidence is low. The news is not rosy," says EDWARD LAUX, head of block trading at KIDDER PEABODY & CO. He describes Monday's market action as "a continuation of Friday's reaction to the budget accord." (WSJ, 10/30)

A number of Dow components were resisting yesterday's decline, says DON WOLANCHUK, a newsletter writer who believes the shrinking number of new lows "suggests we're putting in some sort of important bottom." "The 2420 level so far has produced a low if not the low," says Wolanchuk. "Under normal conditions, the 2350 area should not be violated." (CNBC "World Business", 10/30)

Has the market bottomed? "We're not quite sure yet," is the honest answer from PETER GRENNAN, director of stock index futures at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "But with the market down 600 points since the summer, I would think that we're at least 75%-80% there." In the bottoming process, there can be a difference between price action and momentum, says Grennan: "Price action can still go lower on some of the indexes, even though momentum can hold up." Once the market bottoms, the situation in the Mideast will determine how long it stays there. (CNN "Business Day", 10/30)

"Though a lot of people say the market has another 10% to drop, if you're looking at the long haul, this won't matter," says BRIAN TERNOEY, head of investment services at FOSTER HIGGINS, a benefits consulting firm in Princeton N.J. (WSJ, 10/30)

"People might be suckered into a false rally and then be disappointed in the early part of 1991," cautions SAM STOVAL, editor of "S&P Industry Reports." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/29)

"Uncertainty still dominates the market," says JEFFREY SHAMES of MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES. Even given the resolution of the budget stalemate, "uncertainty about the economy and the Middle East still gets all the attention," and according to Shames, "uncertainty 2 is the worst possible scenario for the stock market." He says the market will turn "when people can see where the bottom is." ("Investor's Daily", 10/30)

"The sloppy trading we've seen in stocks indicates there's not much confidence at all in the market," says JOHN BURNETT at DONALDSON LUFKIN & JENRETTE. "People felt good coming off the weekend, with the budget battle behind them. But there's a touch more reality this afternoon - a feeling that not much has been accomplished on the federal deficit after all. There's more talk of stagflation, the worst of all possible scenarios for the market." ("The Washington Post", 10/30)

The market yesterday was "a classic case of selling on the good news," says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. "The market is being spooked by some of the same hobgoblins that have been besetting the market for some time," the price of oil being foremost among those. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/29)

"People are not inclined to be investing in the market," says NELSON GOLD, senior vice president of OTC trading at INTERSTATE-JOHNSON LANE. "There are just too many problems out there." (WSJ, 10/30)

Yesterday "wasn't much of a day for the bulls," says DICK HOLDEN of ALEX. BROWN & SONS. "It's just so uncertain." ("Investor's Daily", 10/30)

"There was little follow-through to the morning rally and when the bond market began to give way, people took profits," says BILL RAFTERY at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM & CO. "It's still a very nervous, jumpy market." ("USA Today", 10/30)

The market "is telling us there are greater pressures in the [banking] system than can be mollified by a quarter-point move by the Fed," says JACK SULLIVAN, of VAN KASPER & CO., a San Francisco-based brokerage. With banks' borrowing costs outstripping what they can earn on loans, "the banks can't do business. It's stunningly simple but stunningly important - and the market is not priced for it." (WSJ, 10/30)

STOCK TIPS:

Although he thinks there is a lot more downside in the market, SAM STOVAL, editor of "S&P Industry Reports," likes the natural gas stocks and pipelines. He lists TENNACO, TRANSCO and COASTAL CORP. among the pipelines and ATLANTA GAS LIGHT, BROOKLYN UNION GAS, WASHINGTON GAS LIGHT and PEOPLE ENERGY among distributors. He also likes pharmaceuticals MERCK, SCHERING PLOUGH and WARNER LAMBERT. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/29)

"At the moment, we have a traders' market and I play each day as it comes - I short and I go long," says PETER GRENNAN, director of stock index futures at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. There are good values now for investors who want to take a longer term perspective, but Grennan emphasizes long term: "You cannot expect the market to turn and maintain a rally with the Mideast situation." Grennan's long term favorites: AMERICAN HOME PRODUCTS, EXXON, GE, WALMART, and JOHNSON & JOHNSON. "All of these stocks have shown good earnings sustainability and they are leaders in their product areas," says Grennan. (CNN "Business Day", 10/30)

GM's decision to close four plants is "a positive development in that it's a sign of realism on GM's part," says DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS analyst RONALD GLANTZ. But the move is not likely to impact the car manufacturers stock. According to JOHN CASESA of WERTHEIM SCHRODER, "Wall Street had widely expected the closing of these facilities." ("Investor's Daily", 10/30)

Yesterday's market saw selling of many of the better growth stocks, says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. "I'm concerned that the relative valuation of some of these growth stocks now appears to be on the high side, given the weakness in the general market," says Acuff. "If the market goes up, I'm not sure they are going to participate as much as they have. If the market goes down, I see profit taking [in growth stocks]." (FNN "Business Tonight", 10/29)

According to "The Wall Street Journal," five of the 11 analysts who follow the heavy-industry, cyclical stocks strongly recommend BETHLEHEM STEEL. "Bethlehem's stock is very depressed," says PETER MARCUS, a PAINEWEBBER analyst who upgraded his neutral rating to a buy. "There's a great potential for reward." (WSJ, 10/30)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

The dollar's gains yesterday reflect "relief over finally having a budget,"

says KEVIN WEIR, vice president at CANADIAN IMPERIAL BANK OF COMMERCE in New York. This relief may have fostered a sense that "immediate bad news [for the dollar] is out of the way, but I am not at all convinced of that." (WSJ, 10/30)

The currency market "had been anticipating an easing, and the dollar had been falling on that," says EARL JOHNSON of HARRIS TRUST & SAVINGS. Johnson says the easing had already been fully discounted. ("Investor's Daily", 10/30)

"I think there probably was some easing today," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "It was sort of the minimal easing that was promised as a result of the deficit cutting agreement." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/29)

"This rate drop is a direct response to the budget deal," says DAVID BERSON, chief economist at the FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION. ("USA Today", 10/30)

"It was clear that the Fed was not going to lower interest rates without a deal," says PAUL HUARD of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS. He says lower interest rates will have a beneficial effect for businesses, since rates are "one of the major components of the cost of capital." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/29)

"The question now is, so what?" asks SAM KAHAN of FUJI SECURITIES. "The truth is that unless the banks lower the prime rate, most individuals won't reap any benefit from what the Fed did. Most home equity loans are tied to the prime and if it doesn't go down, they get no help. There certainly is going to be no change in the rates on credit cards." ("The Washington Post", 10/30)

PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC.'s EDWARD YARDENI says he is disappointed that "the Fed wasn't a little more aggressive" in its quarter point easing. He would have like to have seen the Fed drop to 7 1/2% instead of the current 7 3/4%. (CNN "Moneyline", 10/29)

"I think [the Fed] will move again [to ease interest rates], but the next move will await some more concrete sign of economic softening," say LYLE GRAMLEY, chief economist of the MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION and former member of the Reserve Board. "We may not have to wait too long - maybe Friday's employment numbers." (WSJ, 10/30)

"Looking out to the turn of the new year ... there could be substantial easing" by the Fed, says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. "I'm talking about a fed funds rate that could go as low as 6%." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/29)

"At this stage, people realize the Fed has done its deed and now it may be a while before we see the next easing," says CHARLES SPENCE, foreign exchange analyst at FIRST INTERSTATE BANK in Los Angeles. (WSJ, 10/30)

The Fed move "is too little, too late," contends IRWIN KELLNER, chief economist at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER TRUST CO. "We've been waiting for this since the middle of July. A quarter of a point is a drop in the ocean. The economy is in bad shape, and it's going to get a lot worse." (WSJ, 10/30)

The quarter point cut is "like shooting an elephant with a BB gun - it has no effect," according to NIKKO SECURITIES chief economist ROBERT BRUSCA. He points out that normally, the Fed waits until the tail end of a recession to lower rates substantially. "History isn't on your side if you think the Fed is going to push rates down quickly," says Brusca. ("Investor's Daily", 10/30)

"The coffin has already been nailed shut," says RAY STONE of STONE & McCARTHY ASSOCIATES. He believes that the Fed "should have been easing all along," and says that the Fed's refusal to ease over the past several weeks could reduce the strength of the economy over the next several years. "I really think they've been remiss here," says Stone. ("Investor's Daily", 10/30)

"We've turned bullish " on long-term bonds because "the economy is looking very weak," says IAN MacKINNON, senior vice president at VANGUARD GROUP OF INVESTMENT COS. in Valley Forge, Pa. "This is only the first of several easing steps" by the Fed that will lead to sharply lower interest rates, predicts Mr. MacKinnon. "We think these are good levels to buy bonds, and we have started to buy bonds." (WSJ, 10/30)

"We're very constructive on bonds" says H. ERICH HEINEMANN, chief economist at LADENBURG THALMANN & CO. "The underlying inflation rate is really much lower than market participants seem to be assuming." (WSJ, 10/30)

THE ECONOMY:

New home sales for September are reported today and are expected to be 25% below last year's levels. Sales could be soft for the next couple of years, according to STEPHEN GRACE of DELOITTE & TOUCHE. Even though home sales are measured on a national basis, Grace says the industry is driven by local economies. While regional attention has been focused on the weakness in the Northeast, Grace says the Southwest, particularly Houston and Dallas, is strengthening. "The West Coast, while weakening, is still seeing some transactions go on." (CNBC "World Business" 10/30)

"We're on the edge of a cliff," says JOHN CASESA, auto analyst at WERTHEIM SCHRODER & CO. "Consumer confidence is at the lowest level since the depths of the 1981 recession and we really haven't felt it in car sales - yet." ("USA Today", 10/30)

IN WASHINGTON:

The fact that the budget compromise creates a "pay-as-you-go" system is

"probably the most important ingredient in the entire package," says REP. DAN ROSTENKOWSKI (D. - Ill.), chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee. "If you're going to come to the United States Congress with a program, you're going to have to bring along the money that's going to pay for it." (CNN "Moneyline", 10/29)

"By and large, the deficit-reduction plan in five years gives us a bona fide picture of deficit reductions," says ALLEN SINAI of BOSTON CO. But he says the deficit will be "extraordinarily high," even with these reduction. He predicts next year's deficit will be $286 million and that the deficits over the following three or four years will range between $200 million and $275 million. ("Investor's Daily", 10/30)

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ROCHESTER, NY (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Curtice Burns Foods (AMEX: CBI) a major food processor, today reported first quarter fiscal 1991 net earnings of $1.8 milion, or $.21 per share, on sales of $223,482,000.

While the sales represented a 4.7 percent advance from last year's record first quarter sales of $213,400,000, net earnings for the quarter ending Sept. 28 declined 44 percent from last year's first quarter earnings of $3,242,000, or $.39 per share, before the cumulative effect of an accounting change. (A)

Earnings increases were recorded by the company's dessert, pickle, pourable dressing and cheese sauce product liens. Earnings for canned and frozen vegetables were signficantly reduced as a result of 1989's poor vegetable crop. Mea tsnacks also contributed to the decline due to one-time consolidation costs, new product introductions and high raw product costs.

David J. McDonald, president, said, "With the 1990 harvest largely completed at satisfactory levels, our margins for canned and frozen vegetable lines should improve in the latter part of the second quarter, as high cost raw material moves through inventory."

He said that during the quarter, "The production of Globe Products, acquired in December 1989, was totally integrated with our Comstock Michigan Fruit plants. Repositioning of our Nalley's and Hiland potato chip lines has been completed, with emphasis on regional flavors. In the Pacific Northwest we have introduced a low calorie microwave meal line, Quick n' Light, and a low fat dressing line, Bernstein's Light Fantastic."

McDonald said that "These first quarter earnings improve upon earnings of the previous two quarters. It is a good indicator that the investments and integrations completed in 1990, coupled with a return to normal growing conditions in the northeast, are beginning to impact us favorably."

Rochester-based Curtice Burns Foods consists of 10 autonomously managed divisions, 60 plants and warehouses, and 7,000 employees located throughout the United States and Western Canada. The company is unique in the food industry with its strategic focus on regional brands and the development and processing of custom-packed foods for the retail grocery and food service industry.

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#90303p1084 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL SEGUNDO, CA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Infonet, the leading international value-added network services company, announced today that it has signed an agreement with Compania Dominicana de Telefonos (CODETEL) to provide local telecommunications service and support for its customers in the Dominican Republic.

A subsidiary of GTE International headquartered in Santo Domingo, CODETEL operates the Dominican Republic's CODEPACK national public data network. An interconnect is now being established between CODEPACK and Infonet's global network, which is accessible in more than 110 countries for worldwide data, E-mail, store and forward, fax and telex transmissions.

This interconnect will be operational in January 1991. CODEPACK subscribers in the Dominican Republic cities of Santiago, Santo Domingo, Puerto Plata and Bonao will then be able to reach the Infonet network by making a local phone call.

CODETEL's telecommunications professionals will arrange for companies in the Dominican Republic to access Infonet's network and NOTICE 400 global messaging service via CODEPACK and install NOTICE 400 PC E-mail software at their sites.

"We will also hold on-site education and training classes introducing users to the new technology and provide ongoing service and support, complete with a telephone hotline staffed by our senior technical experts," said CODETEL's Technical Director Gonzalo Vinado.

Established in 1970, Infonet is the leading standards-based international value added network services company. It provides and directly supports communication and computer services throughout the world. The company is jointly owned by MCI and 10 major telecommunication administrations in Europe and the Asia-Pacific.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Omnicom Group Inc. (NYSE: OMC), a communications company comprised of BBDO Worldwide, DDB Needham Worldwide, Diversified Agency Services and Tracy-Locke, today announced that worldwide revenues from commission and fee income increased 14 percent to $281,604,000 in the third quarter of 1990 from $246,623,000 in the same period in 1989. Domestically, commission and fee income increased 2 percent to $162,052,000 in 1990 from $158,590,000 in 1989, with domestic general advertising income growing 7 percent.

International commission and fee income increased 36 percent to $119,552,000 in 1990 from $88,033,000 in 1989. Acquisitions net of divestitures favorably impacted third quarter 1990 commission and fee income by approximately 1 percent as compared to the third quarter of 1989. Net income increased 19 percent to $6,663,000 in the third quarter of 1990 from $5,586,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share for the third quarter rose 18 percent to $0.26 per share in 1990 from $0.22 per share in 1989.

Worldwide revenues from commission and fee income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, increased 20 percent to $854,446,000 in 1990 from $714,550,000 in 1989. Acquisitions net of divestitures favorably impacted nine-month commission and fee income by approximately 9 percent as compared to the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, increased 18 percent to $34,943,000 in 1990 from $29,662,000 in 1989. During the nine months ended Sept. 30, fully diluted earnings per share increased 20 percent to $1.32 per share in 1990 from $1.10 per share in 1989.

OMNICOM GROUP INC.

(Unaudited -- thousands of dollars except per share data)

Three Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Pct. Incr. (Decr.)
Commission and fee income	$281,604	$246,623	14
Operating and interest expenses	267,550	237,727	13
Income before income taxes	14,054	8,896	58
Income taxes	7,055	4,326	63
Income after income taxes	6,999	4,570	53
Equity in affiliates	1,826	2,709	(33)
Minority interests	(2,162)	(1,693)	28
Net income	6,663	5,586	19
Primary earnings per share	0.26	0.22	18
Fully diluted earnings per share	0.26	0.22	18
Dividend declared per share	0.275	0.245	12
Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Pct. Incr. (Decr.)
Commission and fee income	$854,446	$714,550	20
Operating and interest expenses	783,473	656,819	19
Income before income taxes	70,973	57,731	23
Income taxes	33,473	25,979	29

Income after income taxes	37,500	31,752	18
Equity in affiliates	5,573	5,307	5
Minority interests	(8,130)	(7,397)	10
Net income	34,943	29,662	18
Primary earnings per share	1.35	1.14	18
Fully diluted earnings per share	1.32	1.10	20
Dividend declared per share	0.795	0.735	8

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MARIETTA, GA. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Realty South Investors Inc. (AMEX: RSI) has declared a quarterly dividend of $.09 per share of common stock payable on Nov. 26 to shareholders of record Nov. 12.

During the third quarter the company reduced the amount outstanding under its line of credit with proceeds of a $4,800,000 mortgage loan and acquired ownership through deeds in lieu of foreclosure of two properties, reducing mortgage loans by $5,700,000 and increasing owned properties by $5,150,000. Cash flow for the quarter was $.133 per share compared with $.140 for the second quarter this year.

Revenues and earnings continue to be affected by lower rentals and occupancy rates in the ongoing real estate downcycle, said Timothy J. O'Neill, chairman and chief executive officer. In addition, property operating expenses were higher due to one-time maintenance costs at a major property as part of a renovation program.

Revenues for the third quarter were $695,000 compared with $856,000 last year and net income for financial reporting purposes was $145,000 or $.07 per share compared with $229,000 or $.10 per share for the quarter last year. For the nine months, revenues were $2,184,000 with net income for financial reporting purposes of $444,000 or $.21 per share compared with revenues of $2,749,000 and net income of $836,000 or $.40 per share last year.

Realty South Investors Inc. invests primarily in real estate projects in the Southeast with a $32 million portfolio.

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PITTSFORD, NY (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - SelecTronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: SELE) today announced the company will have a small net profit on increased revenues for the second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company's return to

profitability was announced by Chairman and CEO Michael Weiner at the company's annual meeting yesterday in Minneapolis after the market closed. In the year-ago second quarter, the company had a net loss of $603,000 or ($0.02) per share on $9.4 million in sales.

Weiner said final results would be announced next week. The company's last profitable quarter was the third fiscal quarter ended Dec. 31, 1988. Since then, SelecTronics has gone through a major transition, selling off older inventory, developing new hardware and software product lines, expanding distribution here and abroad, merging with Microlytics, Inc., and consolidating operations in Pittsford.

Weiner also announced that President and Chief Operating Officer James Finke and Executive Vice President Paul Wetenhall had been elected to the board of directors, expanding the board to seven from five. Prior to joining the company in April 1990, Finke was president of Interconsult of North Hampton, N.H., a marketing-management firm specializing in the electronics industry. Prior to joining SelecTronics in August 1988, Wetenhall spent 13 years at Xerox Corporation (NYSE: XRX) in a variety of marketing, finance and strategic planning positions.

Since many SelecTronics shareholders live in upstate New York, the company will hold an information meeting on Monday, November 5, at 4 p.m., at the Genesee Holiday Inn, 120 Main Street, in downtown Rochester.

SelecTronics, Inc. manufactures and markets professional, consumer and custom handheld electronic reference products. Its wholly owned subsidiary, Microlytics, Inc., is a leading developer and marketer of linguistic and reference software products for the microcomputer industry. SelecTronics is approximately 30 percent owned by Xerox.

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BLUE BELL, PA. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Healthcare Inc. (NASDAQ: USHC), one of the nation's leading providers of managed health care services, today reported earnings of $19,042,000 or $.40 per share for the third quarter of 1990 and $44,824,000 or $.94 per share for the first nine months of the year, more than double the earnings reported for the same periods last year.

Premium revenue for the quarter was $323.6 million, up 29 percent over the third quarter last year. For the first nine months of 1990, premium revenue

was $951.1 million, up 34 percent over the same period in 1989. Membership grew to 1,090,000 members at Sept. 30, 1990, a gain of 92,000 from a year ago.

U.S. HEALTHCARE INC.
(Amounts in thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended Sept. 30	Three months		Nine months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$334,858	$258,069	$981,168	$730,672
Net income	19,042	7,425	44,824	19,301
Net income per share	$.40	$.16	$.94	$.41
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	47,858	47,336	47,463	47,010

U.S. Healthcare owns and operates health maintenance organizations (HMOs) in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Delaware, Connecticut and Massachusetts. The company also provides comprehensive managed health care services to self-insured and other employers.

For additional information and current developments, telephone the U.S. Healthcare Financial News Line at 215-283-6700

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LEICESTER, N.Y. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - CPAC, Inc. (NASDAQ: CPAK), today reported higher sales and earnings for the second quarter and the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

CPAC sales were up 10 percent in the first six months of fiscal 1991 to $14.7 million compared to $13.2 million for the same period last year. Net income increased to $796,000 or $0.35 per share from $761,000, or $0.33 per share a year ago.

In the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, CPAC sales increased 18 percent to $7.5 million compared with $6.4 million for the same quarter last year. Net income for the period was $415,000 or $0.18 per share compared with $395,000, or $0.17 per share last year.

CPAC, Inc., manufactures developing chemicals and pollution control equipment for the imaging industries which include: photographic, graphic arts, medical, dental, and microfilm. Chief Executive Officer, Thomas N. Hendrickson said that performance in both the equipment and chemical groups had improved in the second quarter, despite recent freight surcharges and raw material price increases.

"The integration of CPAC chemicals with our pollution control expertise and compliance oriented products has positioned us favorably in environmentally conscious markets," said Hendrickson. "We have introduced aggressive marketing programs to capitalize on these strengths."

Hendrickson reaffirmed that Trebla Chemical Company remains the principal profit generator for CPAC, Inc. and said management is further committed to grow the international business of Trebla.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Anacomp Inc. (NYSE: AAC) announced today that the Company has been successful in completing its placement of $325 million of senior debt and approximately $225 million of senior subordinated notes with common stock warrants.

As previously reported, the transaction required participation by substantially all the Company's existing lenders and bondholders. The proceeds of the financing will be used to retire the Company's existing bank indebtedness of approximately $200 million, repay $250 million of outstanding increasing rate notes, and pay off approximately $55 million in outstanding 12.25 percent notes and related expenses.

The $325 million in senior debt is composed of bank and other term loans with a final maturity at Oct. 26, 1997, and a revolving bank credit facility with an initial blended interest rate of 11.5 percent.

The Company also issued approximately 225,000 units, each consisting of $960 principal amount of 15 percent senior subordinated notes due Nov. 1, 2000, together with 10-year common stock warrants representing, after their issuance approximately 12.5 percent of the Company's common stock on a fully diluted basis at an exercise price of $1.873 per share. In the event the Company does not repay its senior indebtedness in certain amounts in excess of required amortization by the end of years two, three or four, the Company will be required to make additional payments to its senior and subordinated lenders in common stock and/or pay-in-kind debt.

Louis P. Ferrero, chairman and chief executive officer, said that the completion of the transaction is a "major step forward for Anacomp which allows us to focus our efforts on the orderly reduction of our debt while expanding our role as a world-leading information and image management company."

Anacomp is an information management company with leading market positions in

micrographic services, systems and supplies, Anacomp's customers include banks and other financial institutions, large government and industrial users and a variety of other businesses around the world.

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DEARBORN, MICH. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Credit Company's net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $159.3 million, up $37.1 million or 30 percent from the third quarter of 1989, Chairman William E. Odom announced today.

"We are encouraged with the progress in our automotive financing business," Odom said. "Hard work on the basics of underwriting and collection capability and operating efficiency is coming through in the results; we are particularly pleased by the improvements this year -- lower delinquencies, lower repossessions, and lower credit losses." Credit losses worldwide were 0.80 percent of average receivables, an improvement of 22 percent from last year.

Additionally, the increase in earnings reflected improved interest margins, reflecting primarily lower borrowing rates and higher retail portfolio yields. The cost of borrowings in the United States was 8.7 percent in the third quarter of 1990, down from 9.1 percent in the third quarter last year.

During the third quarter, Ford Credit provided U.S. retail customers with financing for 382,000 new and used vehicles and financed 33 percent of all new cars and trucks sold by Ford Motor Company dealers in the U.S., compared with 30 percent last year. Ford Credit provided wholesale financing for a quarterly record of 75 percent of Ford Motor Company factory sales to U.S. car and truck dealers.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $442.9 million, up $76.6 million, or 21 percent from the same period a year ago. At Sept. 30, 1990, Ford Credit's assets totaled $57.6 billion, $2.2 billion lower than a year ago reflecting the sale of retail receivables during the fourth quarter of 1989.

Ford Credit provides vehicle financing for about 5 million retail automotive customers and 8,500 Ford, Lincoln-Mercury, Ford Truck, Ford New Holland, and affiliated dealers in the United States, Canada and Australia. It also coordinates the activities of international financing affiliates of Ford Motor Company in 19 countries and manages the insurance business of The American Road Insurance Company.

Ford Credit, a wholly owned subsidiary of Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F), is part of the Ford Financial Services Group.

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TOULOUSE, FRANCE (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - BBN Advanced Computers Inc. and the Centre Europeen de Recherche et de Formation Avancee en Calcul Scientifique (CERFACS) today held a pan-European seminar on applications for the BBN TC2000 parallel supercomputer. A group of over 50 top researchers invited from the industrial and scientific communities throughout Europe attended the one-day event.

The agenda for the day included presentations by researchers at BBN Advanced Computers, CERFACS and the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. The presentations covered a range of applications that have been run on TC2000 systems, including Monte Carlo simulation, linear algebra and domain decomposition. The day also included demonstrations on the 30 processor TC2000 system installed at CERFACS last May.

The 30 processor TC2000 system installed at CERFACS provides 570 Dhrystone MIPS (Millions of Instructions Per Second), 600 peak MFLOPS (Million Floating Point Operations Per Second) as well as 416 MBytes of shared memory and 6,580 MBytes of disk storage. In addition, it fully supports the Unix operating system as a stand-alone computer, supporting a sophisticated native programming environment, without the need of a front-end computer.

The TC2000 computer at CERFACS is being used specifically for algorithm development and experiments of large-scale codes in fluids and turbulence and is positioning CERFACS as a Centre of Excellence in Europe for research and training in the use of high-performance computers to solve problems in applied science and engineering.

About the TC2000 Parallel Supercomputer The TC2000 system's shared memory architecture is uniquely suited for applications that require the power of a large number of closely coupled processors. The system's scalable performance allows a dramatic increase in total throughput to an architectural limit of 504 processors, 10,000 peak MFLOPS, 8604 MBytes of memory, and 2520 MBytes/second of I/O bandwidth. Developers can group multiple processors into functional clusters, applying processing power simultaneously to both program development and application execution. BBN's nX implementation of UNIX 4.3 BSD is complemented by a unique set of advanced software development tools created by BBN. These tools enable programmers to interactively debug parallel software, easily setting and examining variables across multiple processors, as well as doing performance analysis tasks. Unlike other massively parallel systems, the TC2000 system is a complete, multi-user system that conforms to industry

standards, including Ada, POSIX, the X Window system and NFS.

CERFACS was created in October 1987 to combine research and training activities in scientific computation for European researchers, engineers and scientists. The centre, supported by industries, laboratories and universities, studies fundamental applications in such fields as aeronautics, meteorology, the petroleum industry and hydrodynamics.

BBN Advanced Computers Inc. develops and markets high-performance multiprocessing computer systems for both supercomputing and high-end realtime applications. BBN has sold and installed more than 300 parallel computing systems worldwide at major aerospace, industrial, government and university sites.

Headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., BBN Advanced Computers is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bolt, Beranek and Newman, Inc. (NYSE: BBN). For its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, BBN had sales of $262 million.

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#90303p1102 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALM SPRINGS, CALIF. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Bird Medical Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: BMTI) today announced record results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. The results are the first reported by the company since it completed an initial public offering in August, 1990.

For the third quarter, net earnings increased 75 percent to a record $446,000, compared to $255,000 for the same period of the prior year. On a per share basis, earnings were $0.08 compared to $0.05 in 1989, on 23 percent additional weighted average shares outstanding. Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 increased 12 percent to $8.5 million, versus $7.6 million in 1989.

Net earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 rose 108 percent to $986,000, compared to $473,000 in the corresponding period of the prior year. On a per share basis, earnings were $0.19, versus $0.10 one year earlier, on 9 percent additional weighted average shares outstanding. Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 increased 20 percent to $26.0 million, compared to $21.8 million in the same period of 1989.

Commenting on the results, Felix T. Troilo, president and chief executive officer of Bird Medical Technologies, Inc., said, "Our company's record performance year-to-date is a reflection of several factors. We have been successful in expanding market share with key products offered by our two operating divisions, Bird Products and Stackhouse. In addition, we are introducing new product lines.

"The Bird Products division 8400ST Volume Ventilator has received strong market acceptance since its introduction in April of this year," Troilo said. "The enhanced capabilities of the 8400ST for respiratory care patients has served to further broaden the market for our Adult Volume Ventilator products. Coupled with the 6400ST Volume Ventilator, our line of air/oxygen blenders, and other products and accessories, we believe Bird offers one of the most diversified and attractive product lines in the industry, in terms of both features and price."

Troilo noted that the company's specialized infection control products, manufactured by its Stackhouse division, also contributed to the impressive performance in the quarter. "In particular," he said, "our Mark III surgical helmet system, which has gained wide acceptance in the orthopedic surgery market, is now also being used in other surgical applications, and our laser smoke filtration systems continue to maintain a significant share of market."

Bird Medical Technologies, Inc. develops, manufactures and sells respiratory care and infection control products to hospitals through two principal divisions: Bird Products Corporation and Stackhouse, Inc.

BIRD MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
(Consolidated, unaudited, in thousands, except per share data)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 8,536	$ 7,601	$25,996	$21,751
Cost of sales	4,415	4,052	13,531	11,308
Gross profit	4,121	3,549	12,465	10,443
Total operating expense	3,283	2,774	10,100	8,724
Operating income	838	775	2,365	1,719
Interest expense, net	194	340	821	906
Income before provision for income taxes	644	435	1,544	813
Provision for income taxes	198	180	558	340
Net income	$ 446	$ 255	$ 986	$ 473
Earnings per common share	$ .08	$ .05	$ .19	$ .10
Weighted average number of shares	5,830	4,711	5,117	4,711

Balance Sheets
(Consolidated unaudited, in thousands)

Sept. 30:	1990	1989
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash	$ 274	$ 816
Accounts receivable, net	8,643	7,310
Inventories	8,902	7,093

Other current assets	1,774	1,492
Total current assets	$19,593	$16,711
Restricted cash	5,797	--
Property and equipment net	3,686	1,252
Goodwill	1,665	--
Intangible and other assets	1,887	2,300
Total assets	$32,628	$20,263
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities		
Short-term borrowings	$ 271	$ 105
Accounts payable	2,091	1,240
Accrued employee compensation	822	854
Income taxes payable	171	34
Other accrued liabilities	527	1,214
Total current liabilities	3,882	3,447
Long-term debt	11,180	12,825
Stockholders' equity		
Common stock	63	579
Preferred stock	--	1,854
Additional paid-in capital	14,165	--
Retained earnings	3,338	1,558
Total stockholders' equity	17,566	3,991
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$32,628	$20,263

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#90303p1104 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - In its most extensive Personal System/2(see Note A below) announcement since the original PS/2(Note A) rollout, IBM Corporation (NYSE: IBM) today took aim at the high end of the personal computer market. The company announced a family of high-end i486(Note A) PS/2s and options that deliver advanced functions and performance for powerful business computing and networking.

Reinforcing its commitment to Operating System/2(Note A) (OS/2 (Note A)), IBM also introduced a version of the popular operating system that utilizes memory more efficiently and can be used in systems with as little as 2 megabytes (MB) of memory.

Two new PS/2 members -- the Model 95 XP 486 and the Model 90 XP 486 -- unleash the power of the Intel i486 processor and feature a unique design that allows them to be upgraded for future technologies.

The Model 95 and Model 90 combine the flexibility of the Micro Channel(Note A)

architecture with the power of the i486 microprocessor and integrate them with a new high-performance graphics subsystem -- known as Extended Graphics Array (XGA) -- advanced memory technology for faster computing power, and superior storage capabilities for enhanced input/output (I/O) throughput. In addition, an optional 256 kilobyte (KB) memory cache can be added for even faster computing power.

The result is that the new Model 95 and Model 90 can perform up to 2-1/2 times faster than the top-of-the-line, floor-standing PS/2 Model 80-A31.

Both of the new systems feature a unique processor-complex design, which houses the microprocessor, memory controller, memory cache option, and control for system throughput, and can be upgraded to accommodate advances in future technologies.

This advanced processor-complex design, as well as the enhanced speed and extensive expansion capabilities of the Model 95 and Model 90, make them the most powerful PS/2s available. The Model 95 is a file server that packs more than enough power and performance to handle complex networking tasks, while the Model 90 offers customers involved in multimedia or financial modeling, for example, all these advanced capabilities on their desktops.

The new Model 95 and Model 90 feature the industry-standard Small Computer System Interface (SCSI), which allows customers to install up to seven peripherals through a single expansion slot. This standard feature enables customers to access, manipulate and store billions of characters of information right at their desktop or floor-standing PS/2s.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM Corporation (NYSE: IBM) today lowered the entry point for users of Operating System/2(see Note A) (OS/2(Note A)) by introducing a significantly enhanced version of the operating system. OS/2 Standard Edition Version 1.3 reduces memory requirements to 2 megabytes (MB) and offers substantial improvements in performance, quality and printer support.

These benefits are further realized in new releases of OS/2 Extended Edition and OS/2 LAN Server also announced today. Designed to incorporate and build upon the enhancements found in the base operating system, OS/2 EE 1.3 and LAN Server 1.3 broaden the range of operating and networking solutions available to IBM desktop users.

OS/2 is an advanced, graphical operating system consisting of Standard Edition (the base operating system) and Extended Edition, which offers the base

operating system along with Communications Manager, Database Manager and LAN Requester.

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PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM has made dramatic improvements in the speed and flexibility of a mathematics package that permits IBM advanced workstations, mainframes and supercomputers to solve certain types of complex and financially rewarding applications faster and more efficiently than ever before possible.

The package -- OSL, for Optimization Subroutine Library -- has been used since its introduction last year to solve problems where the difference between a good solution and the best solution can be a savings of millions of dollars.

These applications involve management of resources that may be scarce, especially valuable or vital. Examples include oil, gas, electricity, military and industrial equipment, gasoline, foods, currencies, financial instruments and salespersons, airline crews, and military troops.

The new release of OSL announced here today at a meeting of the Operations Research Society of America and The Institute of Management Science (ORSA/TIMS), has been improved in key areas.

First, it has significantly improved the speed and efficiency by which advanced techniques called the interior point method and mixed-integer programming can be used to produce solutions. This can significantly shorten the time it takes to find answers to large, complex problems.

Second, it can find a series of optimal answers once an initial calculation has been done -- "vary the scenario" -- without re-calculating the entire problem, as was previously necessary.

For example, an oil company might determine what the optimal blend of fuels might be for a warm winter, and then calculate a series of solutions for progressively colder winters.

The OSL R2 mathematical programming package for the IBM PS/2 carries a one-time charge of $2,285. The one-time charge for the RS/6000 Model 320 is $4,160, for Model 530 is $8,320 and for Model 540, $16,640. The one-time charge for OSL R2 on S/370 and S/390 ranges from $11,730 to $149,200, with monthly charges ranging from $244 to $2,765.

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SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Giant Industries Inc. (NYSE: GI) reported today 1990 third quarter net earnings increased $999,000 to $2,692,000 or $.22 per share on revenues of $91,314,000, compared to $1,693,000 or $.23 per share with revenues of $70,244,000 for the comparable third quarter of 1989.

The rapid increase in crude oil costs and sharply higher product prices resulted in a net LIFO adjustment reducing net earnings by approximately $4 million, or $.32 per share in the third quarter of 1990 whereas for the third quarter of 1989 the LIFO adjustment was insignificant.

Revenues, earnings and earnings per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $264,215,000, $6,739,000 and $.55, respectively, compared to $218,220,000, $9,483,000, and $1.31 for the same nine month period in 1989. The sharp increase in crude oil costs and higher prices of products caused a LIFO adjustment reducing net earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 by $3,338,000 or $.27 per share; whereas for the like period in 1989, net earnings were not impacted significantly.

Had the merger with Hixon Development Co. occurred Jan. 1, 1989, earnings and earnings per share would have been $2,087,000 and $.23 for the 1989 third quarter and $11,007,000 and $1.18 for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

James E. Acridge, president and chief executive officer, commented on third quarter results by saying, "The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait prompted a margin squeeze for the refining industry beginning in the latter part of the third quarter. In spite of this event, net earnings for the third quarter reflect a significant improvement over the same period in 1989. On an earnings per share basis, earnings appear level due to the dilutive effect of the Hixon Development Company merger and I.P.O. in December 1989." Acridge stated that the company continues to aggressively pursue opportunities within its exploration and production division. Acridge went on to note that coal seam gas reserves appear to be significantly better than previously expected and that the company anticipates announcing further details regarding coal seam gas reserves when an outside engineering report is received in the near future.

Giant Industries Inc. is primarily a refiner and marketer of petroleum products, supported by crude oil and natural gas exploration and production. Specifically, Giant currently operates a crude oil refinery with a crude oil rated capacity of 19,300 barrels per day, a 360-mile crude oil gathering pipeline, 71 truck transports, a unique Travel Center and a chain of 30 modern service station/convenience stores in Arizona, New Mexico and Colorado.

GIANT INDUSTRIES INC. UNAUDITED PRELIMINARY RESULTS

(Dollars in Millions, Except for Per Share)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$91.3	$70.2	$264.2	$218.2
Net Earnings	$2.7	$1.7	$6.7	$9.5
Earnings Per Share	$.22	$.23	$.55	$1.31

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WILMINGTON, DE (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) and Teijin Limited of Japan today announced they have signed a letter of intent to enter into a 50-50 joint venture to manufacture and sell polyester film for audio and video applications in Europe, the U.S. and other regions, excluding Japan.

This agreement will mark the first polyester film joint venture between American and Japanese firms.

Initial production will be from a line at Du Pont's Luxembourg plant. A second facility will be built in the United States with full operation planned for late 1992. At that time, total investment for the joint venture is expected to be about $200 million.

Capabilities of the joint venture will include production, marketing, sales and technical services. Worldwide sales are expected to be more than $130 million in 1991. Customers initially will be served by existing Du Pont and Teijin facilities and from Luxembourg.

The strength of the venture will be particularly evident in product research and development, Hartnagel said. The companies have agreed to negotiate to jointly develop polyethylene naphthalate (PEN) high- temperature film for a variety of applications, including motors and capacitors, and to sell PEN film for audio and video tape applications.

Du Pont became the first commercial producer of polyester film when it introduced "Mylar" and "Cronar" in the early 1950s, and now is the world's largest producer of polyester film. "Mylar" is used in video and audio tapes, data storage devices, industrial and electrical components, packaging, and reprographic applications. "Cronar" polyester film is used primarily for photographic film applications. Manufacturing facilities are located in Circleville, Ohio; Brevard, N.C.; Florence, S.C.; and Luxembourg.

Teijin Limited, with headquarters in Tokyo and Osaka, has film manufacturing facilities in Utsunomiya, Gifu, and Sagamihara. Teijin was the first company to independently develop viscose rayon manufacturing technology in Japan. Established in 1918, the company is a world leader in synthetic fiber,

chemicals and plastics manufacturing. Annual sales are about $2.2 billion. The company's "Tetoron" biaxially- oriented polyester film is used in video and audio tapes, data storage devices, industrial and electrical components, packaging and reprographic applications.

Du Pont had worldwide sales of $35.5 billion in 1989. Sales to the worldwide electronics industry exceeded $1.8 billion, making it a large and diversified supplier of materials, components, and services to the industry. In addition to information storage media customers, Du Pont Electronics serves the makers of integrated circuits, printed circuits, passive components, and users of interconnections, and subassemblies.

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#90303p1113 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - National Health Care Systems Inc., (NASDAQ: NHCS) which operates DentiCare, a pre-paid dental plan, announced today that they have retained the San Francisco law firm of Nossaman, Gunther, Knox and Elliot.

The firm will represent National Health Care in matters concerning compliance with the State Department of Corporations (D.O.C.) and general corporate and securities issues. John T. Knox, a partner with the firm, co-authored the Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975, under which DentiCare operates.

The change in firms comes after the D.O.C. ordered National Health Care to discontinue one of its dental plans which they alleged the company was not authorized to operate. "While the order affected less than 9,000 of our 245,000 patients, we want to avoid any future misunderstandings by taking a more pro-active approach with the D.O.C.," said Dr. Carl E. Bozzo, National Health Care president.

"Nossaman, Gunther, Knox and Elliot is a highly respected firm in the areas of corporate law, health care law, regulatory compliance and legislative representation. They are fully committed to actively communicating with the D.O.C. on our behalf," said Bozzo.

Richard B. Spohn, the firm's partner in charge of National Health Care/DentiCare, is the former director of the California Department of Consumer Affairs and now specializes in administrative, legislative and consumer affairs law. "Mr. Spohn's experience in dealing with the state's regulatory agencies provides a level of confidence which we did not previously have. We can now move forward energetically to provide the best plans and services possible for our subscribers," said Bozzo.

National Health Care Systems Inc. owns and operates DentiCare, a capitated prepaid dental plan operating throughout California. The company offers its prepaid dental benefit packages to employer groups as well as to individuals and small groups. DentiCare currently has over 2,000 contracting dentists and over 245,000 subscriber patients in their plans.

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#90303p1117 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Odetics (AMEX: OA OB) today announced a six-year, $34 million OEM agreement with E-Systems Inc. of Dallas. Under terms of the agreement, Odetics will supply robotically controlled, Automated Tape Library (ATL) subsystems for a revolutionary computer data mass storage system being developed by E-Systems.

This agreement follows earlier contracts with E-Systems totalling $6 million, under which Odetics is concurrently developing additional ATLs - one for a government application and another for a commercial customer. Joint development activities between E-Systems and Odetics have been under way since 1988.

The E-Systems Modular Automated Storage System (EMASS) represents a new era of mass storage technology. In addition to the Odetics robotic ATL subsystem, EMASS includes 19 mm, D2 format, helical scan digital tape recorders co-developed by E-Systems and Ampex; a Convex supercomputer server, and E-Systems library management software.

EMASS will be able to store more than 10,000 terabytes (one terabyte equals one trillion bytes of data) of information, which is sufficient storage to hold a complete copy of Martha Mitchell's book, "Gone With The Wind, " for every man, woman, and child in the world.

The 10,000 terabytes of information can be stored on less than 135,000 D-2 cassettes - the storage-capacity equivalent of 65,000,000 standard nine-track computer tapes.

The ATL subsystem being built by Odetics for E-Systems is based upon core technology developed for the Emmy Award-winning Broadcast Cart Machine that Odetics supplies to the television broadcast industry; however, where Cart machines store and access up to 280 cassettes configured in a tower, the ATL subsystem developed for E-Systems can access thousands of cassettes located in aisle-configured modules. The cassette storage modules can be joined to form rows up to 80 feet in length.

The heart of the Odetics ATL subsystem is a network of rail-mounted, self-propelled robots that move cassettes between cassette storage modules and tape drives which can be located at either or both ends of the EMASS library.

Able to travel at speeds up to nine feet per second, each robot is controlled by electronics which interface with the EMASS host computer through an Ethernet LAN. Other important elements of the Odetics ATL include motor-control hardware, error-recovery software and recorder mounting modules.

Odetics, headquartered in Anaheim, is a leading manufacturer of intelligent machines, including information systems, for collecting digital and analog data, as well as robotic and artificial intelligence systems.

The company controls 80 percent of the worldwide space recorder market and has more large-capacity broadcast cart machines installed and playing-to-air than all of its competitors combined. The company's Odex I, a technology demonstrator, stands in the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.

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RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CALIF. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Kaiser Steel Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: KSRI) today announced its third quarter net income was the second highest in the company's history since reorganizing in 1988. Third quarter net income was $467,000 on revenues of $2.7 million. Kaiser reported net income of $854,000 on revenues of $6.5 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. The favorable results were due, in part, to the receipt of $936,000 under the company's 100-year water lease, together with its continuing historical operations. This was the first water lease revenue received in 1990.

"Although we expect our short-term earnings to fluctuate, the third quarter results are a glimpse at Kaiser's potential as we develop our new business ventures," said Richard E. Stoddard, chairman and chief executive officer. Kaiser reported pre-tax earnings of $791,500 and $1,447,300 for the third quarter and nine months respectively. "Over 92 percent of the tax expense we reported will never be paid because of our substantial net operating loss carryforwards," Stoddard said. "Consequently, we believe pre-tax earnings are a better indicator of our operating performance."

Stoddard said an additional highlight of the third quarter was the elimination of approximately $6 million in previously recorded tax liabilities resulting from a $13 million Internal Revenue Service credit. The credit was due to an IRS error on prior years' tax returns of Kaiser Steel Corp., the company's predecessor. According to Stoddard, the company has restated all financial statements from the 1988 reorganization through June 1990 to reflect debt

elimination of approximately $5 million and the reversal of over $784,000 in previously accrued interest expense. "Together with our year-to-date earnings this increases shareholders' equity to over $52 million, an increase of over $6.9 million," Stoddard said. Discussions with the IRS are continuing with regard to the residual $7 million credit.

Kaiser Steel Resources is developing businesses that address vital environmental issues in Southern California, including one of the country's largest rail-haul municipal waste landfills, land remediation and development and water resources.

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GREENSBORO, NC (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Wrangler announced today that it has contracted with the United States government to produce one million pairs of camoflauge trousers for American military troops. "Such a contract normally takes six months to execute, and the award was made in 15 days," said Bill Koronis, Senior Merchandise Manager for Wrangler. "The cooperative spirit between government and industry has been phenomenal. We are proud to have the opportunity to play a role in supporting the country's efforts in the Middle East."

The company was selected because of its capacity to quickly and efficiently manufacture the product. The fatigues have a value of over $17 million, and delivery will begin in January. The government has an option to request another million pairs in 1992, raising the potential value to almost $35 million.

Wrangler was instructed to alter the design of the fatigues to suit the requests of American soldiers. The desert camoflauge trousers have been modified to remove some of the traditional features, such as extra heavy fabric in the reinforced knees and seats.

"American soldiers assigned to Operation Shield have had to endure very hot, oppressive climates," said Koronis," the changes were made to accomodate the soldier's request's for cooler uniforms."

Wrangler is a voluntary participant in the Defense Department's Industrial Preparedness Program, which provides for rapid mobilization in the event of national need. The company will continue to produce the fatigues even after American troops return home as the uniforms are needed to replenish already depleted stocks in military depots.

Headquartered in Greensboro, N.C., Wrangler is a leading manufacturer of jeans and jeans-related apparel. Wrangler is a division of VF Corporation (NYSE: VFC), the world's largest publicly owned apparel company.

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ROGERS, ARK. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Hudson Foods, Inc. (NYSE: HFI), one of the nation's largest poultry producers and food processors headquartered in Rogers, Ark., today announced results for the period ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Net income for the fourth quarter was $2.0 million, or 14 cents in primary earnings per share. This compares with last year's fourth- quarter net income of $3.6 million, or 26 cents in primary earnings per share.

Sales for the quarter increased 13.6 percent to $187.2 million from $164.8 million one year ago.

For 1990, net income was $8.7 million, or 60 cents in primary earnings per share, compared with the year-earlier $22.8 million, or $1.70 in primary earnings per share ($1.56 fully diluted).

Sales rose to a record $666.7 million from $620.5 million one year ago, a gain of 7.4 percent.

James T. Hudson, chairman and chief executive officer, said: "The key element in 1990s results was lower poultry prices. Chicken product prices were down slightly, but turkey prices were ... disappointing." Hudson added that although parts of the company did not have the previous year's results, Hudson still ended 1990 on a profitable note.

In 1990, Hudson Foods, Inc. continued to move ahead aggressively with efforts to expand its product lines and its customer base. This was accomplished, in part, by the acquisitions of Pierre Frozen Foods, Inc. -- a foodservice supplier -- and the product lines and brand names of Texas-based Roegelein.

Hudson Foods, Inc., one of the nation's largest poultry producers, sells a variety of chicken and turkey products under the "Hudson," "Flavor Fresh" and "Hudson Deli-Meister" brand names, as well as poultry, beef and pork products under the "Ohse," "Schwiegert," "Pierre" and "Roegelein" brand names.

HUDSON FOODS, INC.
Financial Highlights
(In thousands except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

Three months ended	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1990

Sales	$ 187,230	$ 164,796
Net earnings	2,025	3,568
Earnings per share:		
Primary	0.14	0.26
Fully diluted	0.14	0.26
Shares used in earnings per share computations:		
Primary	14,925	13,826
Fully diluted	14,925	13,826
Year ended	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1990
Sales	$ 666,697	$ 620,485
Net earnings	8,712	22,767
Earnings per share:		
Primary	0.60	1.70
Fully diluted	0.60	1.56
Shares used in earnings per share computations:		
Primary	14,621	13,397
Fully diluted	14,621	16,951

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#90303p1132 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

STATE COLLEGE, PA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas Instruments' Consumer Products Division's Lubbock, Texas, plant has been awarded the Automation Forum's 1990 Renewal Award.

This award recognizes North American-based firms, who through outstanding manufacturing management, have increased their North American manufacturing content. The increase may come from return of production overseas or a conscious decision to produce on the continent.

In the case of Texas Instruments (NYSE: TXN), the decision to manufacture handheld solar calculators in Lubbock was a bold one, since competitors all manufactured offshore. But the decision made good sense to TI management.

At one time, TI manufactured its calculators and educational products for the U.S. market in its plant in Lubbock and produced both types of products in its Rieti, Italy, facility for the European market. In 1987, production of all educational products worldwide was consolidated in the Lubbock plant and production of financial and scientific calculators was moved to Italy. Because all competitors in the low-end calculator market used low-cost far-East production facilities, TI was forced to reduce its costs and to source its low-end calculators offshore as well.

TI plans to beat its own 20-minute manufacturing cycle time by replacing manual assembly methods. Additional plans include using surface mount equipment to assemble PCB and all other components in Lubbock, realizing further cost reduction and higher quality.

Formal presentation of the Renewal Award occurred during the Automation Forum's "Conference on Managing Factory Floor Graphics and Software Systems" held in State College, Oct. 29.

All applicants for the award are screened by the Forum's Selection Board -- Clay Hudgins of Fluor Daniel, Inc., Robert Maguda of McKinney & Company, Inc. and John Lewelling of Peat Marwick Main & Company. These industry consultants review applications and visit the facilities of the award finalists, meeting with the general manager and other department heads.

The Automation Forum is composed of industry leaders dedicated to advancing the interests of the industrial automation community. The forum is sponsored by the Automatic Identification Manufacturers, the Computer and Business Equipment Manufacturers Association, the National Computer Graphics Association, the National Electrical Contractors Association, the National Electrical Manufacturers, NMBTA -- the Association for Manufacturing Technology, the Robotic Industries Association, and the Society of Manufacturing Engineers.

NEMA, the National Electrical Manufacturers Association, with headquarters in Washington, is the leading U.S. organization representing and serving America's electroindustry companies.

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NASHVILLE, TENN (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Volunteer Capital Corporation (NYSE: VCC) today reported operating results for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

President Lonnie J. Stout II said the Company posted net income of $232,000, or $.06 per share, in the quarter ended September 30, 1990, as compared to a loss of $387,000, or $.10 per share, in the quarter ended October 1, 1989. Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $9,384,000, versus $9,118,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

Volunteer Capital Corporation recorded net income of $1,276,000, or $.32 per share, for the nine month period ended September 30, 1990, as compared to a net loss of $15,733,000, or $3.90 per share, recorded in the first nine months of 1989. Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $28,076,000, versus

$50,278,000 in 1989.

Net income for the third quarter included an extraordinary gain of $86,000 resulting from the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards. Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 included extraordinary gains of $485,000 resulting from utilization of net operating loss carryforwards and $371,000 (net of taxes) from repurchases of the Company's 8 1/4 percent convertible debentures.

The results for the first nine months of 1989 include a loss provision of $12,130,000, relating to the disposition of the Company's Mrs. Winner's restaurant operations.

The Company's Wendy's operations reported operating income of $828,000 during the third quarter of 1990, as compared to $647,000 reported for the third quarter of 1989. Average store sales for the division were $189,000 for the third quarter of 1990, up 2.7 percent from $184,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

Volunteer Capital Corporation operates 50 Wendy's Old Fashioned Hamburgers restaurants in four states. The Company's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE: VCC).

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WOBURN, MASS. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermedics Inc. (AMEX: TMD) today reported record revenues of $7,501,000 for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $5,710,000 for the same quarter in 1989. Net income was $858,000, compared with $452,000 for last year's third quarter.

"We are pleased to announced that revenues include a record contribution from our detection instruments," said John W. Wood, Jr., president of Thermedics. "We reported about $1 million in sales of EGIS(R) explosives detectors during the third quarter."

Thermedics develops, manufactures, and markets biomaterials, biomedical products, analytical instruments, and explosives- and drug-detection devices, and provides analytical laboratory services. Thermedics is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

THERMEDICS INC.
Financial Highlights

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	9/29/90	9/30/89	9/29/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$7,501,000	$5,710,000	$21,018,000	$17,385,000

Income before provision for income taxes	1,397,000	740,000	2,953,000	2,168,000
Net income	858,000	452,000	2,394,000	1,214,000
Earnings per share	5 cents	3 cents	13 cents	7 cents
Weighted avg. shares	18,227,000	17,335,000	17,913,000	17,153,000

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FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - FHP International Corp. (NASDAQ: FHPC) reported today that net income for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $8,449,000 or $0.32 per share, up 25 percent from the $6,783,000 or $0.26 per share reported for the same period last year. Revenue for the quarter increased 40 percent to $293,822,000 compared with $210,044,000 reported last year.

Robert Gumbiner, M.D., chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated, "FHP's first quarter growth in revenue and earnings was achieved through increased membership, an improvement in administrative expenses, and higher interest income.

"The percent of revenue spent on health care rose during the quarter, due in part to accelerated physician staffing in the California region's medical centers and hospitals. This increase in physicians should help meet heavier utilization demands during the winter months.

"The company recently acquired a second 99-bed skilled nursing facility in Norwalk, Calif., which will be used to provide subacute and rehabilitation services at a significant cost savings over providing that care in a hospital."

"A new full-service medical center for commercial members has been added in Garden Grove, Calif. and new Individual Practice Association (IPA) plans have been developed in Antelope Valley and Long Beach, Calif.," Dr. Gumbiner said.

The company's total membership increased from 479,000 on Sept. 30, 1989 to 566,000 on Sept. 30, 1990, an 18 percent increase. The commercial plan, offered to over 3,000 employer accounts, grew from 342,000 members at the end of the first quarter last year to 386,000 on Sept. 30 of this year. FHP's Senior Plan, a comprehensive health care plan for Medicare beneficiaries, now has 180,000 members, up from 137,000 members a year ago.

FHP International Corp., through its wholly owned subsidiary FHP Inc., operates staff, IPA and mixed model health maintenance organizations. The company also offers life and indemnity health insurance through FHP Inc.'s subsidiary, FHP Life Insurance Co.

FHP's service areas include Southern California, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, and Guam. The company is one of the largest Medicare risk contractors in the nation.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company commenced a lawsuit today in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York, against The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States as a result of Equitable's failure to perform its obligations to provide financial support in the amount of nearly $100 million for the 54 story One Astor Plaza office building located at 1515 Broadway in New York City.

Manufacturers Hanover said that it is suing in order to protect the interests of itself and a group of participating banks in financial transactions relating to the purchase, improvement and operation of the building. It stated that Equitable's conduct had come as a complete surprise and was totally inconsistent with what was expected of a financial institution of Equitable's stature.

Manufacturers Hanover said that it and the participating banks had provided mortgage financing and other financial accommodations with respect to the building in reliance on Equitable's commitment to provide financial support for the project and that Equitable was seeking to avoid that support by causing the Equitable-sponsored partnership which owns the building to file a bankruptcy petition.

Equitable is a general partner of the partnership which in turn is the general partner of the partnership which owns the building. Manufacturers Hanover stated that Equitable had caused the bankruptcy filing solely to further its own interests and that there had been no prior communication or indication from Equitable to the lenders concerning Equitable's intentions or actions.

The suit seeks $100 million in compensatory damages and $500 million in punitive damages. In a separate but related proceeding, Manufacturers Hanover has moved in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York for an order dismissing the bankruptcy case on the grounds that Equitable lacked authority and did not act in good faith in commencing the bankruptcy.

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WOBURN, MASS. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Cardiosystems Inc. (AMEX: TCA) today reported record revenues of $817,000 for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $478,000 for the same period in 1989. Net loss for the quarter was $5,000, compared with a net income of $33,000 for the same period in 1989.

"Our revenues continue to increase as more transplant centers join our clinical investigation of the air-driven HeartMate(R) ventricular- assist device (VAD)," said Victor L. Poirier, president of Thermo Cardiosystems Inc. "At the same time, we continue to increase our spending on research and VAD development."

In addition, the company is continuing to work closely with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration on an application to begin clinical trials of a battery-powered VAD.

Thermo Cardiosystems Inc, is a leader in research and development of implantable ventricular-assist devices. These devices are designed to perform substantially all or part of the pumping function of the left ventricle of the natural heart for patients suffering from cardiovascular disease. Thermo Cardiosystems is a public subsidiary of Thermedics Inc. (AMEX: TMD) and Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

THERMO CARDIOSYSTEMS INC.
Financial Highlights

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	9/29/90	9/30/89	9/29/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$817,000	$478,000	$2,333,000	$1,571,000
Income (loss) before income taxes	(7,000)	55,000	(60,000)	390,000
Net income (loss)	(5,000)	33,000	(40,000)	234,000
Earnings per share(a)	---	---	---	3 cents
Weighted average shares(a)	8,625,000	8,625,000	8,625,000	8,462,000

NOTE (a): Share data has been adjusted to reflect a 50 percent stock dividend paid on Jan. 15, 1990, and a 25 percent stock dividend paid on May 7, 1990.

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WALTHAM, MASS (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Process Systems (AMEX: TPI) today reported revenues of $14,335,000 for the second quarter of fiscal 1991, compared with $11,796,000 for the second quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income

was $1,003,000, compared with $605,000 last year.

"We are pleased to have achieved strong results for the quarter in spite of heavy investments in the start-up of our soil-remediation business," said Walter J. Bornhorst, chairman and chief executive officer of Thermo Process Systems. "The improvements we have made in our soil-remediation operations, based on our extensive field experience, have greatly increased our productivity."

Thermo Process Systems designs, manufactures and sells advanced custom-engineered thermal-processing systems for the incineration of hazardous wastes and the automated heat treating of metal parts. The company also provides services for the on-site remediation of hazardous wastes and petroleum-laden soils, in addition to a comprehensive range of metallurgical processes. Thermo Process Systems is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Fairbanks Morse Engine, a division of Coltec Industries, has received a $3.1 million order from Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx, N.Y. for cogeneration equipment that is expected to reduce the hospital's energy consumption by 40 percent.

The Fairbanks Morse Engine equipment, which will produce both heat and electricity, includes one nine-cylinder, opposed-piston engine that generates 2,376 kilowatts and two six-cylinder, opposed-piston engines, each with output of 1,570 kilowatts.

The nine-cylinder and six-cylinder engines are part of the Model 38ETDD8-1/8 series, a state-of-the-art Fairbanks Morse Engine product line that features a pure turbocharged design. This design provides higher specific output, greatly improved fuel consumption and reduced exhaust emissions compared with the previous design. The units will operate at 900 revolutions per minute, be subbase mounted and be installed on vibration isolators.

The equipment will be integrated into a system designed by Braun Engineering Associates, P.C., of West Babylon, N.Y. Heat will be recovered from the engine exhaust, jacket water and lube oil resulting in an overall efficiency of 70 percent. Exhaust gas will be treated to reduce nitrous oxide and carbon monoxide emissions.

The diesel engine exhaust will feed into a modified B&W Commercial D-type Boiler to cogenerate heat. Montefiore Medical Center estimates the reduced energy costs created by the Fairbanks Morse Engine equipment will result in

savings equal to the cost of the equipment within 4.5 years. The medical center is a 1,262-bed acute care facility.

Fairbanks Morse Engine, based in Beloit, Wis., manufactures large, heavy-duty gas, diesel and dual-fuel engines for marine propulsion and for stationary and marine power generation.

Coltec. Industries Inc., based in New York, is a privately owned manufacturing company with 1989 revenues of $1.52 billion serving aerospace, automotive and other industrial markets.

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ARMONK, NY (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - MBIA Inc. (NYSE: MBI), holding company for Municipal Bond Investors Assurance Corporation (MBIA Corporation), today reported that third quarter net income increased 28 percent to $33.3 million compared with $26.0 million in the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990 net income increased 27 percent to $96.8 million compared with $76.5 million in the same period a year ago.

Third quarter earnings per share increased 23 percent to $.86 compared with $.70 last year, and for the first nine months of 1990 earnings per share rose 24 percent to $2.56 from $2.06. Book value per share at the end of September was $23.81 compared with $20.46 at Sept. 30, 1989.

MBIA continued to be the leading guarantor of new municipal bond issues, insuring $2.7 billion and $9.4 billion in par value, respectively, for the third quarter and year-to-date. Based on data from The Bond Buyer, these amounts represent 33 percent of the industry total for the third quarter and 38 percent for the year. Total new issue volume through Sept. 30, 1990, was $91.8 billion, 3 percent ahead of the total for the first nine months of 1989. The insured portion of the market was 26 percent, the same as last year.

Gross premiums written for the quarter rose 36 percent to $47.4 million, compared with $34.8 million a year ago. For the first nine months of the year gross premiums written totalled $149.7 million, up 40 percent from $107.1 million in 1989. Excluding the effects of reinsurance transactions in 1989 and 1990, gross premiums written increased 10 percent for the third quarter and 30 percent for the first nine months, compared to the prior year's periods.

Premiums earned during the third quarter were $26.7 million, a 13 percent increase over 1989. This included $2.0 million from refundings of previously insured issues, compared to $6.4 million for the prior year. For the year to date, premiums earned rose 17 percent to $79.8 million, and included $8.9 million from refundings versus $15.9 million last year. The growth in

premiums earned reflects the impact of the unearned premium reserve of Bond Investors Group (BIG) acquired in 1989.

Net investment income for the quarter increased 42 percent to $29.4 million from $20.7 million a year ago and was $85.1 million for the first nine months of 1990 compared with $59.2 million in 1989. The increase was due to the acquisition of BIG, additions to investments from operating cash flow and higher average yields. At Sept. 30, 1990, MBIA's investment portfolio totalled $1.7 billion and consisted mainly of intermediate-term bonds.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $56.3 million, compared with $44.5 million in the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, revenues totalled $166.6 million, 30 percent above the $127.7 million in the same period a year ago. Revenues are the sum of earned premiums, net investment and other income.

Expenses for the third quarter and first nine months were $12.5 million and $40.2 million, respectively, compared with $10.9 million and $27.6 million last year. The primary reasons for these increases were interest expense and goodwill amortization arising from the BIG acquisition.

Computed on a statutory basis, MBIA Corporation's unearned premium reserve as of Sept. 30, 1990, was $897.2 million, and its capital base (consisting of capital, surplus and contingency reserve) was $811.3 million, for an aggregate $1.7 billion of policyholders' reserves compared with $1.2 billion a year ago.

MBIA Inc., through its wholly owned subsidiary, MBIA Corporation, is a leading insurer of municipal bonds, including new issues and bonds traded in the secondary market. MBIA is rated Triple-A by Moody's Investors Service, Inc., and by Standard & Poor's Corporation and municipal bonds insured by MBIA receive these ratings.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. (NYSE: BSC) today announced the declaration of quarterly cash dividends on its outstanding shares of common stock and on its outstanding shares of adjustable rate cumulative preferred stock.

The board of directors declared a cash dividend of 14 cents per share on the common stock outstanding, payable Nov. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 15. The board also declared a 96-7/8 cent cash dividend per share payable Jan. 15, 1991, to stockholders of record on Jan. 2, 1991, on the outstanding shares of adjustable rate cumulative preferred stock.

The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. is the holding company for Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., a leading investment banking and brokerage firm headquartered in New York City.

The company is engaged in corporate finance and mergers and acquisitions, institutional equities and fixed income sales and trading, individual investor sales, asset management and correspondent clearing. Through its subsidiary, Custodial Trust Company, it is engaged in securities lending and custody services. With total capital, including long-term debt, of more than $1.4 billion, the company has approximately 5,600 employees in 13 offices worldwide.

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MOORESTOWN, N.J. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Comtrex Systems Corp. (NASDAQ: COMX) manufacturers of computerized point-of-sale terminals and control systems, today reported that net income for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 was $26,169 or $.01 per share compared to a loss of $174,567 or $.08 per share for the like period in fiscal 1990.

Jeffrey C. Rice, president and CEO of Comtrex, reported that this period marks the first profitable quarter for the company since the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1986.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $1,019,514 compared with $828,808 for the same quarter a year earlier and 95 percent ahead of first quarter fiscal 1991 revenues of $523,024.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a loss of $281,689 or $.11 per share on revenues of $1,542,538 compared with a loss of $390,997 or $.18 per share on revenues of $1,425,037.

Rice said the company's improving performance is attributable to several factors including a strengthened dealer network in the United States, a major order from Wang Laboratories and continuing growth for Comtrex Systems in the European market.

Comtrex recently received orders from Wang totaling approximately $1 million for point-of-sale terminals used in cafeteria and food service installations by the U.S. Air Force. Shipments of these units began in August and are to continue over a six-month period.

The company also announced shipment of its 1000th Sprint unit to France via its European distributor, Restaurant Data Systems, and that first production units of its new SS-960 Super Sprint for fine dining establishments, will be

shipped on Nov. 1.

During the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Comtrex raised approximately $427,500 net of expenses through the sale of 700,000 shares of its common stock. Common shares outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990, were 2,744,029, compared with 2,169,522 at Sept. 30, 1989.

Comtrex Systems Corp. stock is traded on NASDAQ Over The Counter Market symbol COMX.

COMTREX SYSTEMS CORP. AND SUBSIDIARY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(unaudited)

	Three months		Six months	
Periods ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,019,514	$828,808	$1,542,538	$1,425,037
Costs and expenses				
Cost of sales	607,420	457,097	990,178	834,023
Administrative	153,369	221,624	312,632	355,452
Research and development	49,586	20,931	106,041	76,176
Sales and marketing	73,457	178,382	166,454	322,801
Customer support	54,988	70,992	132,115	152,400
Depreciation and amortization	59,668	61,740	125,071	104,452
Total	998,488	1,010,766	1,832,491	1,845,304
Income (loss) from operations	21,026	(181,958)	(289,953)	(420,267)
Interest income	5,143	7,391	8,264	29,270
Net income (loss)	$26,169	($174,567)	($281,689)	($390,997)
Per share data:				
Net income (loss)	$.01	($.08)	($.11)	($.18)
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,744,029	2,169,522	2,456,776	2,169,522

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MAYNARD, MASS. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Equipment Corporation today announced the acquisition of the financial services business of Data Logic, Ltd. The division, headquartered in London, is a leading supplier of financial information distribution systems for trading rooms. The acquisition gives Digital additional expertise in systems integration and the development, implementation, and support of UNIX-based systems. Data Logic systems are installed in more than 30 banks throughout Europe.

According to Digital vice president William M. Steul, whose group focuses on

service industries such as banking and investments, "This acquisition, which highlights Digital's commitment to open systems, strengthens our ability to offer customers all the services and technology needed to build integrated trading rooms. In addition, Data Logic customers will benefit from Digital's worldwide sales and support structure."

Per-Olof Loof, director of service industries for Digital in Europe added, "Data Logic's experience in developing, installing and integrating financial trading systems, particularly under UNIX, is well known to European financial services companies. They have strong skills in an area that is strategically important to Digital."

Under the terms of the agreement, Digital will assume all operations of the division, including employment of approximately 100 people, support for their installed systems and performance under their customer contracts. Digital will also now own the rights to Data Logic trading- related products including a UNIX-based digital distribution product, video switch products and application development tools.

As part of Digital's worldwide program to develop, market and support complete trading room solutions, the company last year introduced DECtrade, a VMS software platform that is the foundation for customized trading systems. The company recently outlined plans to develop and market a UNIX-based version as well.

Data Logic is a wholly owned subsidiary of Raytheon United Kingdom, Ltd. Digital Equipment Corporation, headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

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ATLANTA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Southern Company (NYSE: SO) has restated its earnings for the periods ending Sept. 30 to reflect an after-tax charge against net income that was announced last week.

The decision to take the charge -- which totals $218 million or 69 cents per share -- was made after the Supreme Court of Georgia refused to review a decision by the state public service commission disallowing a portion of the company's investment in the Vogtle nuclear plant.

Net income is now reported as $621 million or $1.97 per share for the 12 months ending Sept. 30 -- down $269 million or 85 cents per share from the corresponding period a year ago.

For the third quarter of 1990, earnings are restated to $188 million or 60 cents per share -- off $170 million or 53 cents per share from the third quarter of 1989.

The Southern Company is the parent firm of five electric utilities: Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power and Savannah Electric. The Southern Company's common stock is one of the 20 most widely held corporate stocks in America.

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#90303p1160 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODBURY, N.Y. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Comverse Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: CMVT), today announced the signing of an exclusive distribution agreement with Alcatel Indetel in Mexico. Alcatel Indetel is the Mexican-based wholly owned subsidiary of Alcatel, the French telecommunications giant. Alcatel Indetel will market Comverse's Trilogue voice and facsimile management systems in Mexico.

Brian Wiltshire, president of Comverse International, stated, "This is yet another step in our penetration of the most important international markets. Alcatel is one of the largest telecommunications companies in the world, and in this case Alcatel Indetel has a very major position in all of the relevant Mexican markets. In fact, we are delighted to announce that Alcatel Indetel has already received an initial purchase order from TelMex (the Mexican PTT)."

Lincoln H.J. Clark, director/public switching systems at Alcatel Indetel, stated, "We expect to obtain a significant penetration of the Mexican PTT and also to sell the Trilogue into the CPE (customer premise equipment) market. Alcatel Indetel provides a substantial number of telecommunications products, including central office switches, to TelMex. We also sell the Alcatel 5100 PBX throughout Mexico." Clark further stated, "We believe that the Trilogue system will contribute significant revenues and profits to Alcatel Indetel, and we are very pleased to have established this partnership."

Comverse, located in Woodbury, develops, manufactures and markets high performance computer systems for commercial and defense communications applications, including multi-media message management systems under the name of Trilogue.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - As previously announced on Oct. 10, 1990, Golden Valley Microwave Foods, Inc. (NYSE: GVF) had flat earnings for the third quarter of 1990 on sales that were lower than the third quarter of 1989.

Chairman and chief executive officer of Golden Valley Microwave Foods, James D. Watkins, reported that net income was $4.9 million, or $0.27 per share, for the 13-week period ended Sept. 29, 1990, versus $4.9 million, or $0.27 per share in the comparable quarter of 1989. Net sales were $38.6 million, down 7 percent from $41.4 million in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $17.0 million, or $0.93 per share, a 29-percent increase over the $13.2 million, or $0.73 per share, reported in 1989. Net sales were $122.8 million, up 4 percent from $118.5 million for the first nine months of 1989.

Golden Valley Microwave Foods, Inc. is a leader in the development and marketing of foods produced specifically for preparation in microwave ovens. The company's products use proprietary product formulations, manufacturing processes, and packaging technology. The products are distributed through the vending industry, mass- merchandising outlets, and grocery stores. Lamb-Weston, a 50/50 joint venture with ConAgra, Inc., is a leading participant in the frozen french fry industry, supplying most of the major restaurant chains and food service distributors in the United States.

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GAINESVILLE, FLA. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Pharmatec Inc. (NASDAQ: PHTC) today announced it received a grant from the U.S. Public Health Service under the government's Small Business Innovation Research Program to finance the initial development of a drug to treat depression.

There is presently no totally satisfactory therapy for depression. Tranylcypromine ("TCP") is a monoamine oxidase ("MAO") inhibitor, a group of drugs which have been used in the treatment of depression. While TCP has been successful in treating depression, its side effects are significant and its use has been limited.

Pharmatec has developed a patented carrier molecule which, attached to a drug, enables the combination to selectively be delivered to the brain. By using Pharmatec's carrier with Tranylcypromine, it is anticipated that a larger quantity of the drug will reach the brain, blood levels will be lower, side effects will be significantly reduced, and the drug will be released in the brain over a longer period of time.

Commenting on the grant, Marcus E. Brewster, Ph.D., director of Research of Pharmatec, said, "This grant will enable us to launch the development of a Carrier-TCP combination for treating this disease, which affects millions of people in the United States." Brewster continued, "The market for a drug able to effectively treat depression without harmful side effects would be in the hundreds of millions of dollars annually."

Pharmatec is a research-based pharmaceutical company specializing in the development of two novel technologies -- a carrier system for increasing the delivery of drugs to the brain and MOLECUSOL(R) brand cyclodextrins for increasing the solubility and stability of drugs.

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RED BANK, N.J. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The trustees of North European Oil Royalty Trust (NYSE: NET) announced today a quarterly distribution of 39 cents per unit, which will be paid Nov. 21, 1990 to holders of record Nov. 9.

In announcing the distribution, John H. Van Kirk, managing trustee, stated that the prices received for gas continued to increase and the conversion value of the Deutsche mark against the dollar also improved. This payment represents a 39.3 percent increase over the amount paid last year for the same quarter. With this payment, total distributions for the current fiscal year will be $1.41 a unit, an increase of 36.9 percent over the $1.03 paid during fiscal 1989.

The annual meeting of certificate holders of the trust will be held in New York on Wednesday Feb. 13, 1990. Notice of that meeting and proxy statement will be sent with distribution of the annual report for the fiscal year of the trust which ends Oct. 31, 1990.

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WAUKESHA, WIS. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Hein-Werner Corporation (AMEX: HNW) today reported results for the third quarter ended Sept. 29. Net sales decreased 4 percent to $23.5 million from $24.4 million in the year earlier quarter. Net earnings declined to $159,000 or $.08 per share from $588,000 or $.30 per share. Weighted average shares outstanding were 1,947,000 in the current quarter as compared to 1,937,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990 net sales decreased 10 percent to $77.2 million from $85.6 million. Net earnings declined to $1.15 million or $.59 per share form $2.5 million or $1.25 per share.

Joseph L. Dindorf, president and chief executive officer, said, "While business conditions remain difficult in the United States and Canada, Hein-Werner has experienced strong demand for its automotive service equipment products in Europe and for its domestic OEM fluid power business." Dindorf added, "In the shore term, we continue to encourage our shareholders to use conservative expectations for Hein- Werner's operating performance. We are convinced that when business conditions turn positive, the company is well positioned to pursue opportunities in the United States and Canada which, combined with a strong European and Far East presence, will lead to favorable operating results comparisons."

Hein-Werner Corporation is a leading worldwide manufacturer and marketer of collision repair, automotive service and fluid power equipment. The company has manufacturing operations and sales offices in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Europe with distribution channels throughout the rest of the world.

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#90303p1178 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Wilmington Trust Co. (NASDAQ: WILM) announced today that it has reached an agreement to acquire Citibank's retail precious metals program.

The acquisition is scheduled to become effective Dec. 14, 1990. The acquisition will involve the transfer of Citibank's U.S. retail precious metals sales and purchase activities, including active accounts which currently store gold and silver bullion bars and coins.

According to industry sources, this acquisition will make Wilmington Trust's Refined Investments(SM) Program one of the largest retail precious metals sales and storage programs in the country. Developed by Wilmington Trust in 1987, the Refined Investments Program is a precious metals investment and depository service that Wilmington Trust offers through its own retail branch system and other participating banks.

Wilmington Trust has provided safekeeping of precious metals since 1975 and established its precious metals banking and sales operation in 1984. In 1987, Wilmington Trust was named by the New York Mercantile Exchange as its first depository approved for precious metals storage outside New York City. It was also designated an approved depository for the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

"Wilmington Trust has a long-term commitment to providing high- quality,

specialized financial services nationwide," said Leonard W. Quill, Wilmington Trust Co. president. "Our precious metals program is an important element in this strategy," he said.

Wilmington Trust's precious metals business is managed by Michael B. Clark, vice president. Clark has been involved in the precious metals industry since 1979 and was recently elected to serve a second term as chairman of the Industry Council for Tangible Assets (ICTA), a trade association headquartered in Washington.

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#90303p1179 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Dallas-based United Medicorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: UMCI) announced today the signing of agreements with Schick Shadel Hospitals. The corporate contract signed with Schick Shadel Hospitals is for UMC's ongoing claims processing, management and collection service. The Schick Shadel facilities collectively bill over $25 million annually in medical insurance claims. Schick Shadel operates three hospitals and two outpatient clinics, specializing in alcohol and drug rehabilitation.

United Medicorp provides medical insurance claims processing, management, collection and advance funding services to health care providers. UMC employs proprietary electronic and computer technologies to address the claims management and cash flow needs of its customers, who are primarily hospitals, medical clinics and physicians.

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#90303p1181 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Kinnard Investments, Inc. and Bankers Systems Brokerage Services, Inc. announced today they have executed a letter of intent for the acquisition of Brokerage Services, Inc. by Kinnard.

Brokerage Services, Inc., a St. Cloud, Minn.-based firm, is a self- clearing broker-dealer which offers various levels of securities and insurance brokerage services to and in banks, savings and loans and credit unions. Brokerage Services has been providing various services to financial institutions since 1985 and has over 400 client banks.

Kinnard is the parent company of John G. Kinnard and Company, a Minneapolis-based full service broker-dealer which has offices in 28 cities in the Upper Midwest.

Robert R. Martin, chairman of the board of Kinnard, said, "The acquisition of Bankers Systems Brokerage Services is another step in our plan to diversify our earnings base and product mix. We believe that in the 1990s banks will have more involvement in the securities business and this is an opportunity for Kinnard to enter that growth area."

Consummation of the transaction is subject to certain conditions, including the execution of a definitive purchase agreement.

The acquisition is to be closed within 30 days.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Philip H. Geier Jr., chairman of the board and chief executive officer, reported that The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. (NYSE: IPG), had net income of $8,067,000 for the third quarter of 1990, an increase of over 16 percent from $6,934,000 during the same period in 1989. Earnings per share increased over 14 percent to $.24 from $.21 in 1989. Gross income increased almost 12 percent to $316,033,000 from $283,270,000 during the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased over 10 percent to $47,643,000, as compared to $43,245,000 during the same period in 1989. Earnings per share also increased over 10 percent to $1.42 from $1.29 in 1989. Gross income increased to $942,921,000 from $876,828,000 during the same period in 1989.

Continuing cost containment efforts kept costs at appropriate levels in light of the general economic conditions. Geier noted that the company's financial condition continued to be excellent, with a strong balance sheet and a solid cash position.

Interpublic's agency systems have achieved net new business through Sept. 30, 1990, of approximately $495 million, which is an indication of solid growth.

The Interpublic Group of Companies is comprised of McCann-Erickson Worldwide, Lintas:Worldwide, Dailey & Associates, interests in The Lowe Group and other related companies.

CONTACT; Eugene P. Beard, 212-399-8053, or William S. Keating, 212-399-8078, both of The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc.

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#90303p1187 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - United Dominion Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: UDR), a Richmond based real estate investment trust, today reported third quarter 1990 funds from operations of $3,691,000 or $.32 per share compared with $3,373,000 or $.32 per share for the third quarter last year. Funds from operations increased 9 percent overall, but with additional shares outstanding in the current quarter, the per share results were the same. For the current third quarter, the Trust had rental income of $11,258,000, income from property operations before depreciation of $6,465,000 and net income of $1,366,000 or $.12 per share, including $417,000 from a gain on the sale of real estate. For the third quarter last year, rental income was $9,307,000, income from property operations before depreciation was $5,609,000 and net income was $823,000 or $.08 per share.

A comparison of how the properties operated in the two quarters shows the following:

CORE GROUP OF APARTMENTS -- Average occupancy declined 1 percent to 93.3 percent, average rental rates increased 3.8 percent and rental expenses increased 5.8 percent.

RECENTLY ACQUIRED APARTMENTS -- Average occupancy increased to 80.8 percent, but rental gains were substantially offset by higher rental expenses and capital costs.

COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES -- Shopping center occupancy fell approximately 3.2 percent to 91.1 percent as gains at recently renovated centers were offset by higher vacancies elsewhere.

For the first nine months of 1990, the Trust reported funds from operations of $11,319,000 or $.97 per share on rental income of $32,512,000 income from property operations before depreciation of $19,107,000 and net income of $3,880,000 or $.33 per share, including $417,000 from a gain on the sale of real estate. For the first nine months of 1989, the Trust reported funds from operations of $8,849,000 or $.98 per share on rental income of $27,351,000, income from property operations before depreciation of $16,960,000 and net income of $3,843,000 or $.43 per share, including a $1,390,000 gain on the sale of real estate.

United Dominion Realty Trust is an equity real estate investment trust that owns and operates primarily apartments but also shopping centers from Virginia to Georgia. The Trust specializes in purchasing properties that can be upgraded by capital improvements and new management. United Dominion's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "UDR."

CONTACT: James Dolphin, Senior Vice President, or Jerry A. Davis, Controller, United Dominion Realty Trust, Inc., 804-780-2691

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BURLINGTON, NJ (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse Corporation (NYSE: BCF), a major national retailer with 160 stores in 37 states and revenues of more than $800 million a year, is opening its first New York City store on Thursday, Nov. 1, 1990. The seven-story building at 45 Park Place is only three blocks from City Hall. Five stories with approximately 55,000 square feet will be used as selling space.

Responding to New York Mayor David N. Dinkins' Economic Vitality Award and warm welcome, "New York City welcomes Burlington Coat Factory to the fashion capital of the world. Burlington's entry into the New York City market means jobs for New Yorkers. We wish Burlington much success in its new endeavor," Monroe G. Milstein, chairman of Burlington, said, "I expect our new store to be a benefit to both the city and our company, and we anticipate that our Park Place location will be one of our more successful stores."

CONTACT: Steven Milstein, vice president of Burlington Coat Factory, 212-221-0010

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#90303p1189 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, VA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobil Corporation (NYSE: MOB) today announced that it will provide collection facilities for used motor oil as it joins the Florida Used Oil Recycling Program. Mobil said its participation in the Florida program is a first step in determining how it might address the collection of used motor oil on a national basis. Mobil's pilot program will include both educating its customers and providing collection facilities.

Earlier this month, Mobil launched national television advertising urging motorists to dispose of used motor oil in an environmentally acceptable manner. The seven-second ending to its "Mobil 1" motor oil commercials encourage do-it-yourself oil-change customers to take the oil to collection centers at service stations, garages, government- operated facilities, and other locations.

"The improper disposal of used oil has been identified as a real environmental concern," stated R.J. McCool, vice president of U.S. marketing for Mobil. "A growing number of our customers, many of whom do their own oil changes, recognize that improper disposal of used oil is not in anyone's interest. As a marketer of automotive lubricants, we want to do our part to make sure that used oil is disposed of properly.

"Beginning this week, we are asking all Mobil dealers in Florida who have the ability to accept used oil, to join the state's Used Oil Recycling Program. At those locations that do not have the ability to receive and store used oil, we will encourage our dealers to participate in the program's educational

component." Mobil has 400 stations in Florida.

The Mobil educational effort will complement the state's program by posting signs urging used oil recycling and letting consumers know where they can get more information, and the locations of used oil collection centers.

McCool announced that each of Mobil's company-operated stations in Florida that have used oil storage tanks will begin accepting oil immediately.

Florida's Used Oil Recycling Program is administered by the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation.

Mobil also announced today that it will conduct a pilot used oil collection program in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan market, which includes the District of Columbia, northern Virginia, and southern and western Maryland.

CONTACT: Don Turk of Mobil, 214-658-3260

-30- 2586

#90303p1190 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonald & Company Investments, Inc. (NYSE: MDD) today reported revenues and earnings for the second quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990.

For the quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, revenues were $19,948,000, compared to $18,091,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1989, an increase of 10 percent. Revenues for the fiscal six months ended Sept. 28, 1990 were $39,008,000, compared to revenues of $36,107,000 for the fiscal six months ended Sept. 29, 1989, an increase of eight percent.

Included in revenues and net income for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 was a nontaxable gain of $716,000 from the sale of the company's 50 percent interest in Meuse, Rinker, Chapman, Endres & Brooks, Inc.

Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990 was $227,000, or $.04 per share, compared to $703,000, or $.12 per share, for the second quarter of the prior fiscal year. Net income for the fiscal six months ended Sept. 28, 1990 was $644,000, or $.11 per share, compared to net income of $1,875,000, or $.32 per share, for the fiscal six months ended Sept. 29, 1989. This represents a decrease in net income of 68 percent and 66 percent, respectively, for the fiscal three and six month periods ended Sept. 28, 1990 when compared to the same periods in the prior fiscal year. Net income was favorably impacted by the provision for income taxes which resulted in a tax benefit of $145,000 or $.03 per share, in the three months ended Sept. 28, 1990, and a $30,000 tax liability for the first half of the current fiscal year. The tax provision benefitted from the substantial amount of non-taxable income recognized in the current year. The average number of common shares outstanding in the second

quarter and first six months were 5,504,000 and 5,582,000, respectively, compared to 5,781,000 and 5,787,000 in the year-ago periods.

Directors of McDonald & Company Investments, Inc. today declared a regular quarterly dividend of five cents per share, payable Nov. 23, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 13, 1990.

McDonald & Company Investments, Inc., through its principal subsidiary McDonald & Company Securities, Inc., operates a regional investment banking and brokerage business with 22 offices in Ohio, Michigan and Indiana and four offices in Illinois, Massachusetts, New Jersey and Texas.

CONTACT: Gordon A. Price of McDonald & Company Investments, Inc., 216-443-2795

-30- 2609

#90303p1191 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARMONK, NY (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of International Business Machines Corporation (NYSE: IBM) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $1.21 per share on the common stock payable Dec. 10, 1990, to holders of record Nov. 9, 1990.

CONTACT: Peter W. Thonis of IBM, 914-765-6565

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#90303p1192 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWINGTON, CT (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - TeleConcepts Corporation (AMEX: TCC) today announced that for the first time in the past eleven quarters the company has reported a net profit. The profit for the third quarter of 1990 was $10,000 versus a loss of $433,000 for the third quarter of 1989. The loss for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990 was $191,000 versus a loss of $1,710,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The company feels that it has made significant progress since its most recent profitable year in 1987 in turning the company around. This has been accomplished through three major adjustments to the structure of the company.

1) Inventories have been reduced from $7,748,000 at the end of 1988 to their current level of $3,150,000.

2) Total debt and accrued interest has been reduced from $7,648,000 at the end of 1988 to its current level of $3,110,000.

3) Wages have been cut from an annual rate of $1,735,000 for the twelve months ended Dec. 31, 1988 to their current annualized rate of $1,326,000.

Gross profit increased from $194,000 for the third quarter of 1989 to $657,000 for the same period of 1990. In 1989 certain of the company's products were

being sold at a loss. These products have been liquidated or are now being sold at a substantial profit which has resulted in the 419 percent increase in the gross profit for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 versus the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989. Further, the company has moved the production of its principal products from Korea to Malaysia and China. This has resulted in a saving due to lower import costs and the elimination of import duties for product made in Malaysia. The year to date gross profit for 1990 was $1,547,000 versus $298,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

Net sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $2,925,000 versus $3,178,000 for the third quarter of 1989. This 8 percent decline in sales was due to the slower economy and the corresponding apprehension by retailers about the Christmas season. The backlog at Sept. 30, 1990 was $1,402,000 versus $2,110,000 at the same time in 1989. New products which are now under development are expected to significantly increase next year's sales. These products will be introduced at the Consumer Electronics show which is held in January 1991 in Las Vegas.

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#90303p1207 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KAN. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Brite Voice Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: BVSI) and its Canadian distributor, Time Communications Ltd. of Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, announced the sale of a Gateway 5000(TM) system to Bell Canada for approximately $2.6 million (U.S.). The system consists of call centers in Toronto and Montreal with a control center located in Ottawa, and represents the initial order under a three-year agreement between the three parties,. The system will be manufactured by Brite, and will be distributed and supported by Time which will receive appropriate distributor discounts from Brite. It is expected that the system will be installed over the next 90 days and will be operational by March 1991.

"Bell Canada will be providing the first domestic "900" service in Canada," stated Stan Brannan, president and CEO at Brite. "We look forward to working closely with Bell Canada in the installation of this system and in developing useful applications. In addition, we are excited about the opportunity to install additional equipment over the next three years."

The system will be operated by Telecom Canada, an association consisting of eight member telephone companies -- Alberta Government Telephone, British Columbia Telephone, Bell Canada, Manitoba Government Telephone Co., Maritime Telephone & Telegraph, New Brunswick Telephone, Newfoundland Telephone and Saskatchewan Telephone. The member telephone companies will sell time on the system to commercial businesses, advertisers and information providers throughout Canada. In addition, they have the right to purchase equipment under the terms and conditions of the three-year agreement with Bell Canada.

Brite Voice has also installed other large Gateway 5000 systems for Sprint Gateways, one of the largest service bureaus in the U.S., and Telephone and Information Services Ltd. in London, England. Brite Voice is recognized as one of the leading providers of audiotex and interactive voice response systems in the United States. The company sells its systems to such vertical markets as broadcast and print media, cellular telephone companies, governments, hospitals, real estate companies and telephone directory publishers.

CONTACT: Brian Schoenthaler of Brite Voice Systems, 316-652-6500

-30- 2489

#90303p1208 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (OCT. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - NeoRx Corporation (NASDAQ: NERX) announced today the appointment of Lawrence H.N. Kinet as a corporate director, expanding the company's board of directors to six.

Kinet brings to NeoRx 20 years of experience in various general management positions including 15 years with Baxter International, Inc., as corporate group vice president and president, Baxter World Trade Corporation. He is currently a partner in the Kensington Group, an international consulting firm specializing in health care.

In making the announcement, Chief Executive Officer Paul G. Abrams said, "We are very pleased to have someone with Lawrence's credentials join our board. His health-care management background and international experience will be invaluable as we move closer to commercialization of our products."

NeoRx Corporation, incorporated in May 1984, is developing monoclondal antibody-based pharmaceutical products for in vivo detection and treatment of certain types of cancer. The company has five cancer clinical trials in progress and has filed for marketing approval with the FDA for two OncoTrac(R) imaging products to detect metastatic melanoma and small cell lung cancer.

CONTACT: Robert M. Littauer, vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer of NeoRx, 206-286-2519; or Anthony J. Russo, or Susan A. Noonan of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for NeoRx

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#90303p1210 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOWNERS GROVE, IL (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - James C. Smith, president and chief executive officer of HealthCare COMPARE Corp. (NASDAQ: HCCC), announced today that revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 47 percent to $11,170,000 from $7,605,000 during the comparable fiscal quarter a year ago. Income before extraordinary item for the third quarter increased 158

percent to $1,570,000 or $.26 per share, compared with $609,000 or $.11 per share during the comparable fiscal quarter last year.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 27 percent to $30,158,000 compared with $23,660,000 for the same period last year. Income before extraordinary item for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 92 percent to $3,639,000 or $.61 per share compared to $1,900,000 or $.33 per share for the same period of fiscal 1989.

Smith commented that he was extremely pleased with the third consecutive quarter of record results. He noted that the results reflect the continued expansion of the company's PPO networks into new markets and the addition of major new blocks of business with national payors of worker's compensation and group health care benefits who are increasing the services they purchase from COMPARE.

Smith noted that he is quite encouraged about the prospects for 1991 as the company further expands its cost management services to payors of worker's compensation and group health care benefits.

HealthCare COMPARE Corp. is one of the nation's leading independent managed care/cost management companies. The company provides data analysis, extensive utilization management, and provider negotiation services (PPO development and management). Its services are provided to indemnity health care payors as well as alternative delivery systems. The company manages costs and utilization without compromising the quality of care available to health care plan participants.

HEALTHCARE COMPARE CORP.
(Unaudited)

Three months ended	9/30/90	8/31/89	Pct. change
Revenues	$11,170,000	$ 7,605,000	47
Income before taxes and Extraordinary item	2,325,000	955,000	143
Income before extraordinary Item	1,570,000	609,000	158
Extraordinary item (net)	--	(695,000)	N/A
Net income (loss)	1,570,000	(86,000)	N/A
Per common share:			
Income before extraordinary item	$ .26	$ .11	136
Net income	$ .26	$ (.01)	N/A
Weighted average shares outstanding	5,990,000	5,779,000	4

Nine months ended	9/30/90	8/31/89	Pct. change
Revenues	$30,158,000	$23,660,000	27
Income before taxes and			

extraordinary item	5,415,000	2,917,000	86
Income before extraordinary item	3,639,000	1,900,000	92
Extraordinary item (Net)	--	(695,000)	N/A
Net income	3,639,000	1,205,000	202
Per Common Share:			
Income before extraordinary item	$ .61	$ .33	85
Net income	$ .61	$ .21	190
Weighted average shares outstanding	5,940,000	5,768,000	3

CONTACT: James C. Smith, president and CEO, or Joseph E. Whitters, chief financial officer of HealthCare COMPARE Corp., 708-719-9000.

-30- 3865

#90303p1212 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHBROOK, ILL. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Woodhead Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: WDHD) today announced the signing of a definitive agreement for the purchase of the assets of Advanced Interconnect, Inc., a privately held firm located in Uxbridge, Mass. Terms of the purchase were not disclosed. Advanced Interconnect manufactures custom cable assemblies for high-end electronic workstations and other high-tech applications. As of September 1990, Advanced Interconnect had annualized sales of approximately $5 million. The transaction is scheduled to close in mid- November.

Alan Reed, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "This is the first acquisition since the beginning of our major restructuring program in 1986, and we are pleased to have found a company so well- focused and so much in parallel with our future growth plans. The entire management team has agreed to remain and continue their operation of the business. Advanced Interconnect Inc. has a proven record of growth and profitability, and it is anticipated that it will be an immediate contributor to the sales and profitability of Woodhead Industries."

Woodhead Industries, Inc. is headquartered in Northbrook. The company develops, manufactures, and markets premium quality, Safety Yellow(R) specialty electrical devices and mechanical motion control products for industrial applications.

CONTACT: Robert J. Tortorello, general counsel/secretary of Woodhead, 708-272-8181

-30- 1641

#90303p1218 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - In a head-to-head battle on the trucking

competitor's home turf, Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) is moving coal 16 miles, eliminating nearly 200 daily round- trip truck movements from Ohio's roads.

Conrail transports the coal in Belmont County, Ohio, between The Ohio Valley Coal Company's Powhatan No. 6 Mine and a barge-loading facility on the Ohio River under a contract with The Ohio Valley Transloading Co., an affiliate of Ohio Valley Coal. All of the traffic moved previously by truck.

"This is part of Conrail's continuing effort to take freight off the highways and put it on the railroad," said Gordon H. Kuhn, Conrail's senior vice president-marketing and sales. "As these efforts succeed, motorists will find highways less congested. This means less damage to roads by heavy trucks which do not pay their fair share toward highway construction and maintenance. By contrast, Conrail's service runs on railroad-owned and maintained right-of-way. Our efforts to move freight from the highways to the railroad also help in reducing petroleum use and truck-generated pollution.

"Freight railroads are more energy-efficient than trucks in moving freight, not just for the long-haul, but for the short-haul as well," Kuhn said. "We have the capacity, and the network, to move that freight. And we, not the taxpayers, pay to develop and maintain our rail networks."

Conrail uses dedicated crews and equipment, including rapid- discharge, air-operated hopper cars, to provide the innovative coal service in southeastern Ohio. Conrail expects to move over a million tons of coal each year under the program, with the potential available to double that amount.

The Ohio Valley Coal Co. sells the coal to customers, primarily electric utilities, along the Ohio River.

Conrail provides rail freight transportation service in 14 Northeastern and Midwestern states, the District of Columbia, and the Province of Quebec.

CONTACT: Robert L. Libkind or Patricia Linskey of Conrail, 215-977-4594

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#90303p1222 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALMERTON, PA. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Horsehead Resource Development Company Inc. ("HRD") (NASDAQ: HHRD), today reported record revenues of $15.3 million and net income of $6.2 million, or 17 cents per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the comparable period last year, the company's revenues were $11.6 million with net income of $3.0 million, or 9 cents per share.

For the nine months the company reported revenues of $39.4 million and net income of $14.5 million, or 43 cents per share. For the comparable period a

year ago, HRD's revenues were $33.8 million with net income of $7.8 million, or 24 cents per share, exclusive of a one-time gain on the sale of assets which added $3.5 million of net income, or 11 cents per share, to 1989's results.

"Our EAF dust processing business operated at capacity throughout the quarter " James H. Davis, president and CEO, reported. "The U.S. EPA approved the next step of our major Blue Mountain land reclamation project and we began the revegetation of additional acreage. Our capacity expansions at Rockwood, Tenn., and Palmerton, Pa., both remain on schedule for start-up in the fourth quarter."

HRD is a leader in specialized hazardous waste/resource recovery services emphasizing the recovery of zinc, lead and cadmium from electrical arc furnace dust, and the recycling of these materials into useful products.

HORSEHEAD RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC., AND SUBSIDIARY
(Consolidated, Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating revenues:				
Service fees	$ 6,773	$ 5,126	$19,808	$15,105
Product sales	8,531	6,500	19,629	18,683
Total	15,304	11,626	39,437	33,788
Operating costs	4,977	6,117	12,379	18,344
Gross profit	10,327	5,509	27,058	15,444
SG&A	1,758	777	3,942	2,146
R&D	(88)	266	614	613
Management fees	150	125	390	354
Operating income	8,507	4,341	22,112	12,331
Interest (expense)	(32)	(163)	(938)	(727)
Other income, net	541	355	1,219	545
Total	509	192	281	(182)
Gain on sale of assets	0	0	0	3,808
Income before income taxes	9,016	4,533	22,393	13,957
Prov. for income taxes	2,851	1,554	7,885	4,603
Net income	$ 6,165	$ 2,979	$14,508	$11,354
Earnings per share	$0.17	$0.09	$0.43	$0.35
iAverage common shares outstanding	35,871,875	32,500,000	33,636,310	32,500,000

CONTACT: Robert L. Hoguet of HRD, 212-527-3025

-30- 3190

#90303p1225 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Tandy Brands, Inc. (AMEX: TAB) reported today that sales for The Bombay Company for the four week period

ended Oct. 28, 1990 were $9,307,000, an increase of 23 percent. Sales for stores in existence more than one year decreased 4 percent.

CONTACT: Carson R. Thompson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Tandy Brands, 817-347-8200

-30- 561

#90303p1227 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated net income of General Motors Acceptance Corporation (GMAC) for the third quarter of 1990, which included the results of GMAC's financing, insurance and mortgage operations, totaled $293 million, compared with $235 million for the same period a year earlier, John R. Edman, chairman, announced today. For the first nine months of 1990, consolidated net income totaled $931 million, compared with $860 million recorded a year earlier.

Net income from financing operations amounted to $259 million for the third quarter, compared with $170 million for the comparable period a year ago. The increase was due principally to lower borrowing costs in the United States and higher income form international operations. Insurance operations contributed $34 million in the 1990 period compared with $65 million earned in the third quarter of 1989. The decrease in insurance earnings was primarily due to lower underwriting and investment income.

In the first nine months of 1990, GMAC earned $827 million from financing operations and $104 million from insurance activities. Financing income was $121 million higher in the 1990 period compared to last year, while insurance results were $50 million lower.

Average borrowing costs in the United States were 8.57 percent in the third quarter of 1990 compared with 9.04 percent last year. This decline was due primarily to lower short-term borrowing costs, which averaged 7.97 percent in the third quarter compared with 8.95 percent in the prior-year period. Borrowing costs related to medium and long-term debt averaged 9.12 percent vs. 9.14 percent in 1989.

GMAC financed or leased 561,000 new cars and trucks in the United States in the third quarter of 1990 and 1,628,000 for the first nine months. This compares with 676,000 and 1,914,000 vehicles, respectively, during the prior-year periods. Outside of the United States, 158,000 new vehicles were financed during the quarter, up 7,000 units from a year ago. Retail installment and lease financing contracts purchased worldwide totaled $11.4 billion in the third quarter and $34.3 billion during the first nine months, down $1.8 billion and $4.1 billion, respectively, from the corresponding 1989 periods.

Total earning assets were $102.3 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with

$99.6 billion a year ago. Total finance receivables outstanding were $91.1 billion, compared with $89.0 billion a year ago. Retail and lease receivables outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $75.8 billion, compared with $75.5 billion last year.

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-30- 2845

#90303p1237 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - IRT Property Co. (NYSE: IRT) reported third quarter funds from operations -- the most accurate measure of performance for a real estate investment company -- of $3.1 million, or $.26 per share, compared to $3.2 million, or $.26 per share, during the third quarter of 1989.

During the first nine months of 1990, funds from operations totaled $9.3 million, or $.77 per share, compared to $9.6 million, or $.79 per share in 1989.

Third quarter net earnings were $2.0 million, or $.17 per share, compared to $1.5 million, or $.12 per share for the third quarter of 1989. Net earnings for the 1990 quarter included a $293,000 gain on the purchase of a portion of IRT's 2 percent convertible subordinated debentures. Earnings in 1989 were impacted by a $209,500 loss on the disposition of property and a $97,000 extraordinary loss on the early retirement of debt.

IRT reported year-to-date net earnings of $6.1 million, or $.50 per share, compared to $6.5 million, or $.53 per share. The 1990 figures include a gain of $993,000 on debenture purchases. Results for the same period in 1989 included a $921,000 gain on sales of property and a $97,000 loss on the early retirement of indebtedness.

Donald W. MacLeod, chairman and president of the company, stated: "The third quarter and year-to-date results reflect the fact that IRT has remained stable in a difficult real estate economy and that IRT's investment portfolio is sound and poised for growth.

"Our stable operating results and our current quarterly dividend of $.20 per share which is based solely on funds from operations enable us to generate cash internally to fund capital improvements and our on-going modernization programs," commented MacLeod.

IRT Property Co. specializes in neighborhood necessity shopping centers in the southeastern United States. Anchor tenants include Harris Teeter, Wal-Mart, Ingles and other popular national and regional chain stores. The portfolio of 90 investments represents more than 5.3 million square feet of retail space.

CONTACT: Mary M. Thomas, senior vice president and treasurer of IRT Property

Co., 404-955-4406

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#90303p1241 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - GM Hughes Electronics Corporation (GMHE) (NYSE: GMH) Chairman Robert J. Schultz announced today that GMHE 1990 third-quarter earnings were up seven percent over the same period a year ago to $158 million on record revenues of $2.9 billion. In the third quarter last year, GMHE earned $148 million on revenues of $2.6 billion.

Earnings attributable to General Motors Class H Common Stock were $0.40 per share for the third quarter as compared with $0.37 per share earned in the same quarter last year.

Both of GMHE's subsidiaries - Hughes Aircraft Company (Hughes) and Delco Electronics Corporation (Delco Electronics) - had improved sales and operating profits for the quarter.

The improvement in sales reflects higher production of defense-related products including ADCAP torpedoes, AMRAAM missiles and Night Vision Systems at Hughes, as well as the impact of increased GM vehicle production and new automotive product offerings by Delco Electronics. Increased operating profits resulted from these improved sales and from aggressive cost-reduction efforts.

During the third quarter, Hughes continued to pursue new business opportunities by entering into joint ventures and teaming arrangements with other companies. Included was the formation of a Hughes-Delco Electronics subsidiary - HE Microwave Corporation - that will manufacture high-technology electronics for both automotive and military applications at Hughes' Tucson, Ariz., manufacturing facility.

The company also teamed with GM subsidiary Electronic Data Systems Corporation and three other companies to pursue a NASA contract for the Earth Observing Data and Information System that will manage massive amounts of data generated by space- and earth-based sensors, and with Delco Electronics to bid on the development of a new modular mission computer for the U.S. Air Force F-16 aircraft.

Hughes also teamed with Sony Trans Com Inc. to develop a cabin communications and passenger entertainment system for the Airbus A330 and A340 airliners that will provide personal video screens, automatic in-flight shopping, and phone calls from the passenger's seat, as well as direct satellite-to-plane TV reception. An agreement also was reached with Samsung Co. Ltd. to pursue a contract that would introduce domestic satellite communications to South Korea.

The second of two Hughes-built British Satellite Broadcasting Communications satellites for direct broadcast television service to the United Kingdom was

launched, and a Hughes synthetic aperture radar mapper, the sole scientific instrument aboard the Magellan spacecraft orbiting Venus, began to produce images of craters, mountains, and other features of the planet's surface with unprecedented clarity and detail.

CONTACT: Bruce McCristal of GM Hughes Electronics, (313) 556-2025.

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#90303p1242 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALL, NJ (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - New Jersey Resources Corporation (NYSE: NJR) today announced lower earnings for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Consolidated net income for the year totaled $13 million, or 97 cents per share, compared with $16.4 million, or $1.45 per share, during fiscal 1989.

The decrease in consolidated earnings was primarily attributable to warmer-than-normal winter weather and the delayed resolution of a utility base rate filing, which reduced the earnings of the company's principal subsidiary, New Jersey Natural Gas Company (NJNG). In addition, NJNG experienced higher operating and financing costs associated with its continued customer growth and system expansion.

During fiscal 1990, the weather in NJNG's service territory was about eight percent warmer than normal, or the 10-year average.

The warmest second-quarter weather in NJNG's 38-year history more than offset the record cold temperatures of December 1989. If weather had been normal throughout the fiscal year, earnings would have been higher by about $3 million, or 22 cents per share.

In addition, a delay in the resolution of a base rate petition, filed in March 1989, also served to decrease earnings by preventing NJNG from implementing a $17.3 million increase until late March 1990, well after the winter-heating season.

With a return to normal weather and a full year's impact of the March 1990 base rate increase, NJR expects higher consolidated earnings in 1991, Dolan said.

On Aug. 7, NJNG filed another petition with the BPU, this time requesting a $14.8 million, or 4.5 percent, increase in base rates. The filing, NJNG's fourth since 1985, was necessitated by the higher operating, financing and construction costs associated with the utility's continuing customer growth and system expansion. NJNG is hopeful of resolving this request in a timely manner.

NJNG added 8,507 new customers in 1990, which represented an increase of

almost three percent in its customer base. Although the rate of customer growth has moderated from record levels of recent years, NJNG expects to maintain a growth rate in excess of two percent over the next several years.

Commercial Realty & Resources Corp. (CR&R), NJR's real estate development subsidiary, showed improved earnings during fiscal 1990. CR&R has remained successful due to its focus on high-quality development and the maintenance of a consistently high occupancy rate for its office and mixed-use projects.

CR&R's financial performance was favorably impacted by the completion and substantial occupancy of an 83,000-square-foot building in the Monmouth Shores Corporate Park, here, and the leasing of additional space in its Expressway Corporate Center, Egg Harbor Township.

At Sept. 30, CR&R's developed space totaled 801,500 square feet, compared with 717,300 square feet at the end of fiscal 1989. The occupancy rate associated with this space remains above 95 percent. In addition, the remaining average lease term supporting the occupied space is more than eight years, which provides a stable base of cash flow.

NJR Energy Corporation (NJR Energy), NJR's natural gas and oil exploration subsidiary, reported lower earnings in 1990 due to higher operating and interest costs associated with an increased investment in oil and natural gas properties and drilling results that were less than favorable.

For the fifth consecutive year, however, NJR Energy increased its proved reserves of natural gas and oil to record levels. At Sept. 30, proved natural gas reserves totaled 41 billion cubic feet (BCF), and proved oil reserves totaled two million barrels. These levels compared with 29 BCF and 639,000 barrels, respectively, at Sept. 30, 1989.

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Periods ended	Three months		Fiscal year	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$44,810	$42,445	$324,773	$329,881
Earnings (loss) before preferred stock dividends	$(4,134)	$(2,900)	$13,910	$17,355
Earnings (loss) available for common stock	$(4,368)	$(3,138)	$12,962	$ 16,393
Earnings (loss) per common share	$ (.32)	$ (.26)	$ .97	$ 1.45
Average shares outstanding	13,508	12,155	13,378	11,343

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Corroon & Black Corporation (NYSE: CBL) announced that its board has elected Roger J. Elliott, John N. Wooderson, and George F. Nixon to its board of directors. All three are among the senior management of Willis Faber, the London-based insurance broker with which Corroon & Black merged on October 8 to form Willis Corroon plc.

Roger Elliott, chairman of Willis Corroon, joined Willis Faber in 1950. He was appointed director of Willis Faber & Dumas Ltd. in 1968, and was named chairman of that operation in 1986. He has been a member of the board of Willis Faber p.l.c. since 1979 and chairman since 1988.

John Wooderson is the chairman of Willis Faber & Dumas (Agencies) Ltd., and deputy chairman and territorial director of Willis Faber & Dumas Limited. He joined Willis Faber in 1958, and was appointed to its board of directors in 1984.

George Nixon, chief executive of Willis Wrightson Ltd., joined a predecessor firm of Stewart Wrightson in 1964. Stewart Wrightson was acquired by Willis Faber in 1987, and Nixon was appointed chief executive of Willis Wrightson in 1988.

Richard M. Miller, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Corroon & Black and chief executive of Willis Corroon, said in making the announcement: "It is a source of pride and pleasure to welcome our colleagues from Willis Faber onto Corroon & Black's board of directors. We are beginning a new chapter in our company's history, and the challenges we face are many. The opportunities, however, are vast, and the expected synergies are exciting."

Corroon & Black Corporation, now an operating division of Willis Corroon plc, is headquartered in New York City. Corroon & Black is one of the world's largest full-service insurance intermediaries, providing insurance brokerage, risk management services, reinsurance brokerage, and employee benefits, compensation, and actuarial consulting to individuals, local governments, professions, business, and industry. It has offices across the United States and affiliated offices throughout the world. Willis Corroon (ADRs traded on NYSE: WCG) traces its origins to 1824, with the establishment in London of Henry Willis & Company. Its Corroon & Black division was founded in 1905 in New York City.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - San Francisco-based PLM Equipment Growth Fund (AMEX: GFX) today announced that the Board of Directors of its general partner, PLM Financial Services Inc., has authorized on behalf of the partnership the repurchase of up to 250,000 depositary units of PLM Equipment Growth Fund in the open market from time to time.

PLM Equipment Growth Fund is a $120 million income-oriented limited partnership formed in May, 1986, to acquire, manage and lease a diversified portfolio of used transportation equipment. The Fund was listed for trading on the American Stock Exchange, June 1, 1989.

PLM Financial Services Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of PLM international Inc., an integrated equipment leasing company engaged in the leasing and management of transportation equipment and in operating leases domestically and internationally, and in the syndication of capital equipment leasing investments. The Company operates and manages over $1.3 billion of transportation equipment and related assets for its account and various investment partnerships and third party accounts.

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SIOUX CITY, IOWA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Midwest Energy Co. (NYSE: MWE) reported 1990 third quarter earnings of $7,490,000, or 35 cents per share, on revenues of $113,726,000. During the like period in 1989, Midwest Energy reported earnings of $17,419,000, or 81 cents per share, on revenues of $112,379,000. For the nine-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990 earnings were $21,291,000, or 99 cents per share, and revenues were $388,861,000, while comparative 1989 amounts were earnings of $39,429,000, or $1.83 per share, on revenues of $411,133,000. For the 12-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990 earnings were $31,035,000, or $1.44 per share, on revenues of $550,256,000, while comparative 1989 amounts were earnings of $48,340,000, or $2.24 per share, on revenues of $563,615,000.

Harward said electric sales to jurisdictional customers increased 7 percent for the current quarter as compared to a year ago reflecting warmer weather during the cooling season and a slight growth in number of customers. Jurisdictional sales for the nine and 12-month periods also increased by approximately 4 percent.

Natural gas sales for the first nine months of 1990 were 12 percent lower than last year, reflecting this year's mild weather conditions during the heating season. The lower sales from warmer than normal weather has been partially offset by customer growth and increased economic activity in the utility service area.

The company's non-regulated operating subsidiary, Midwest Capital Group, has performed below expectations during the last year reporting a year-to-date operating loss of 7 cents per share through Sept. 30, 1990. The loss has been caused by the construction subsidiaries which have experienced cancellation and deferral of cogeneration projects and a slowdown in electric distribution maintenance jobs performed for neighboring utilities.

Midwest Energy is a holding company with major interest in electric and natural gas utility operations and additional investments in diversified businesses. The company's utility operations provide electricity to 157,000 customers in 228 Iowa and five South Dakota communities and natural gas to 349,000 customers in 208 Iowa, 38 Minnesota, eight South Dakota and three Nebraska communities.

Midwest Energy and Iowa Resources Inc. signed a definitive agreement to merge into Midwest Resources Inc., a new holding company. The merger was approved by the shareholders of Midwest Energy and Iowa Resources, the Iowa Utilities Board and the Securities and Exchange Commission. The company awaits clearance from the Federal Trade Commission. The merger is expected to become effective no later than Jan. 1, 1991.

Midwest Energy's common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and the Midwest Stock Exchange under the symbol "MWE".

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JAMESTOWN, N.Y. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Bush Industries, Inc. (AMEX: BSH), a leading manufacturer and marketer of ready-to-assemble (RTA) furniture, today reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter climbed more than 19 percent to $27,325,000 from $22,877,000 for the prior year's period. Net sales for the nine months rose over three percent to $76,863,000 from $74,282,000 for the like period of the previous year.

"The sales gains, achieved in a weak retail environment, reflect the benefits of diversification in home and home office furniture lines, the success of our expanding in-store display programs and our steadily broadening channels of distribution," Paul Bush, chairman and president, said. "Funding these aggressive strategies, increasing inventory levels to be more responsive to customer needs and start-up costs for a new, major distribution center have impacted earnings," he noted.

Third quarter net income was $455,000 or 10 cents per share versus net income of $455,000 or 10 cents per share for the comparable three months of 1989.

Net income for the nine months was $1,072,000 or 24 cents per share compared to net income of $2,250,000 or 50 cents per share for the initial nine months of last year.

"We have seen substantial progress in our production capabilities in accordance with our strategic manufacturing plan. Our capacity and manufacturing efficiency have improved substantially, and our investments in new technology are showing results. Our manufacturing margins are now at the highest level since our record results of 1987," Bush concluded.

The company also completed a definitive agreement for the previously announced acquisition of certain assets of Case Casard, a manufacturer of moderately priced, ready-to-assemble furniture. The purchase is being made for approximately $5.5 million in cash and notes for machinery, equipment and inventories, and is planned to close in early December. Case Casard has annual sales in excess of $15 million.

Separately, on Sept. 24, Bush Industries purchased certain working assets of Eric Morgan Company, a traditional furniture manufacturer, from its secured lender. The company's investment in the Eric Morgan asset purchase was approximately $1.3 million in cash. Eric Morgan's annual sales approximate $10 million.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nov. 10, 1989, breaching of the Berlin Wall has changed the rules for transporting goods to the east, according to Danzas Corp.

Danzas GmbH, the German subsidiary of the worldwide Danzas Group, was one of the first transport companies to start playing by the new rules, and by July 1 1990, had operations underway in East Germany.

Currently, Danzas has ten branch offices in what, since then, has become "the eastern part" of Germany. Five serve the principal markets of Berlin, Halle, Leipzig, Gera, and Rostock. Others provide border services at Pomellen, Frankfurt/Oder, and Forst, for freight moving to Poland; and at Neugersdorf and Zinnwald for freight moving to Czechoslovakia.

Prior to the Wall's crumbling down, the forwarding business in East Germany was completely controlled by the state-owned forwarding company Deutrans. "After the liberalization, practically all of the more imnportant forwarding companies of Germany and Western Europe started operating in the east, and Deutrans was disbanded," said Peter Scharf, region east director for Danzas

GmbH.

Danzas now offers the same basic services in the east as offered in the rest of Germany. "We offer overland traffic, air freight and ocean freight, besides several special services," explained Scharf. "Of course the infrastructure in the east is not developed as well as in the west. Both road connections and transport by rail are outdated and have not been extended during the past 40 years.

"In the past, traffic within eastern Germany was carried mostly by rail," said Scharf. "Deliveries from the stations to the consignees or companies were accomplished by truck."

Now, more than 70 percent of the movement of goods in the east has been shifted to road transportation, which has resulted in problems due to limited highway networks and conditions of the roads.

Presently more goods are imported into the east, especially consumable goods. The economy still faces difficulties regarding its exports and has yet to adjust to the market changes.

"It will take time before we see a major effect on shipments from the U.S. into eastern Germany," said Klaus Knappik, chief operating officer of Danzas Corp., Danzas' U.S. subsidiary, based in Bellevue, Wash.

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DALLAS (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Associates Corporation of North America, part of the Financial Services Group of Ford Motor Company, achieved record earnings from its domestic operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 Reece A. Overcash Jr., chairman, announced today.

Earnings before provision for income taxes from domestic operations increased 15 percent to $392.8 million for the first nine months of 1990 from $340.1 million for the same period a year ago. Net earnings for the period were $252.9 million compared with $251.6 million a year earlier. Net earnings for 1989 included foreign subsidiaries, which in 1990 are owned by other Ford subsidiaries.

The Associates continues to manage the finance and insurance affiliates in the United Kingdom, Japan, Canada and Puerto Rico on behalf of Ford. At Sept. 30 1990, the foreign operations had assets of $1.9 billion.

Revenue from domestic operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 20 percent to $2.0 billion compared with $1.6 billion in the

prior-year period. Domestic gross finance receivables at Sept. 30, 1990, were $15.8 billion compared with $12.9 billion last year, a 22 percent increase.

Domestic consumer finance gross receivables were $9.6 billion at Sept. 30, up 40 percent from the $6.9 billion reported last year. Consumer finance volume for the nine months was $5.3 billion. The consumer operation includes installment and revolving credit loan products, credit card receivables and automobile club services.

Domestic commercial finance gross receivables totaled $6.2 billion at Sept. 30 compared to $6.1 billion a year ago. Commercial finance volume for the nine months was $4.4 billion. Commercial receivables result from the financing and leasing of transportation, industrial and communications equipment.

The Associates provides consumer finance, specialized commercial finance and leasing, and insurance. Part of the Financial Services Group of Ford Motor Company, The Associates has assets of more than $16 billion in the United States and manages additional assets of approximately $5.0 billion for other Ford subsidiaries in the United States, the United Kingdom, Japan, Canada and Puerto Rico.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - A quarterly dividend of $0.075 per share payable to stockholders of record Nov. 13 was declared today by the board of directors of Airborne Freight Corp. (NYSE: ABF). The dividend will be paid on Nov. 27.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Enron Corp. (NYSE: ENE) today reported net income of $14.0 million for the third quarter of 1990, or $.15 per share after preferred dividends. The amounts compare to third quarter 1989 net income of $13.4 million, or $.14 per share after preferred dividends.

Comparable revenues were $3.1 billion in the most recent quarter and $2.1 billion a year ago.

For the first nine months of 1990, Enron reported a 32 percent increase in net income to $148.9 million, or $2.58 per share after preferred dividends. The amounts compare to net income of $112.6 million, or $1.88 per share for the

first nine months of 1989. Comparable revenues for the nine month periods ended 1990 and 1989 totaled $8.5 billion and $7.1 billion, respectively.

Although EOG disposed of selected properties in 1990, it has reinvested more dollars in core area acquisitions than it has received from these dispositions thereby benefiting the company's net reserve base, Lay said.

Enron's Gas Pipeline Group reported earnings before interest and taxes of $43.8 million in the third quarter of 1990 compared to $74.6 million a year ago. The group reported lower earnings compared to the prior quarter due to non-recurring income of $26 million pre-tax in the third quarter of 1989 primarily related to the take-or-pay settlement process. Houston Pipe Line and Enron Gas Marketing were adversely affected during the quarter by depressed natural gas prices, while income from Enron's interstate pipelines increased. Northern Natural Gas reported higher sales volumes and increased transport margins, and Citrus benefited from higher No. 6 fuel oil prices, which make its natural gas sales more competitive in the Florida marketplace.

Enron Corp., America's leading natural gas company with approximately $11 billion in annual revenues and $9 billion in assets, operates the nation's largest natural gas transmission system; markets natural gas, gas liquids, crude oil and refined products nationally and worldwide; owns 84 percent of Enron Oil & Gas Company, one of the country's largest independent (non-integrated) natural gas exploration and production companies; and also is one of the largest independent producers of electricity in the United States, with extensive experience in combined heat and power installations.

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DENVER (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Ahmed D. Kafadar, chairman and chief executive officer of OEA Inc. (AMEX: OEA), the Denver-based, high- technology manufacturer of propellant and explosive actuated devices, reported record results for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

Net sales and earnings for 1990 were $76,637,300 and $9,416,300, respectively, compared to $62,023,900 and earnings of $7,521,100 for the prior fiscal year. Net earnings per share were $1.41, up from $1.12 per share the prior year.

Sales and earnings during the fourth quarter were $23,453,700 and $2,541,700, respectively, compared to sales of $22,389,100 and earnings of $2,123,000 for the fiscal year 1989 fourth quarter. Earnings per share for the quarter were 38 cents compared to 32 cents for the prior- year fourth quarter.

Kafadar noted that the 24 percent sales increase from fiscal year 1989 was the

result of increases in both government and commercial operations, with the Automotive Safety Products Division the major contributor. The 25 percent net earnings increase related primarily to the increased sales. OEA's financial condition remained strong with working capital of $48,778,100 and a current ratio of 7.2. Shareholders' equity increased to $70,166,700.

Record bookings during the year of $81 million of new engineering work and follow-on production of both aerospace devices and air bag initiators resulted in a backlog of unfilled orders at July 31, 1990, of $90 million, up from the $86 million reported a year earlier.

OEA is a leader in the field of propellant and explosive-actuated devices used in (1) the personnel escape systems of military aircraft, missiles, and for space application and (2) the automotive air bag. All new aircraft, such as the F-4, F-111, F-14, F-15, F-16, F-18, B-1B, B-2, S-3A, and AH-64A, the Space Shuttle, and missiles/launchers, such as the Delta II, Titan, Harpoon, Trident ALCM, Peacekeeper, ACM, Ariane, and SICBM, have OEA-developed and manufactured devices. Most domestic automobiles equipped with an air bag use an initiator manufactured by OEA's Automotive Safety Products Division.

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JFK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - New York-based Tower Air reported its September 1990 revenue passenger miles (RPMs) increased 23.3 percent compared to September 1989.

Carrier's available seat miles (ASMs) increased by 22.5 percent over the same comparable 1989 month. For September of this year, RPMs totaled 189.4 million and ASMs totaled 207.3 million. For September of 1989, RPMs totaled 153.6 million and ASMs totaled 169.2 million.

Total passengers boarded for the month were 35,140 compared to 40,056 last year, a decline of 12.2 percent. Average load factor on all services dropped slightly from 92.6 percent last September to 92.3 percent for September of 1990.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Tower reported an 11.3 percent increase in RPMs compared to the third quarter of 1989 and a 12.3 percent increase in ASMs. During the third quarter of 1990, Tower logged 688.9 million RPMs compared to 618.9 million in the third quarter last year. ASMs for the current period were 759.7 million compared to 673.1 million in 1989.

Passengers boarded declined 6.9 percent for the period from 144,545 in 1989 to 143,538. Average load factor on Tower's services for 1990 was 93.3 percent

compared to 93.7 percent in 1989.

Tower Air is a U.S. international scheduled and charter services operator headquartered at New York's JFK International Airport. The carrier operates Boeing 747 scheduled services from New York to Tel Aviv, Israel, and the Scandinavian countries of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden on a year-round basis.

Beginning Nov. 1, Tower will provide weekly flights from Miami to the Scandinavian countries and Helsinki, Finland. In the spring of 1991, Tower will offer scheduled service from New York to Paris. The carrier also operates charter services to France, Greece, and Italy.

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TAMPA, FL (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Kimmins Environmental Service Corp. (NYSE: KVN) today announced its third quarter gross revenue and earnings.

Gross revenue for the quarter ended Sept. 30 was $25,136,000 compared to $26,268,000 for the same period in 1989. The net loss for the quarter was $848,000 or $.06 per share compared to a net income of $1,110,000 or $.10 per share in 1989.

Gross revenue for the nine months ended Sept. 30 was $77,977,000 compared to $76,064,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income from operations was $1,027,000 or $.08 per share compared with $2,405,000 or $.22 per share in 1989.

Francis M. Williams, president of Kimmins Environmental Service Corp., stated: "Our third quarter loss is the result of unanticipated start up delays on $43 million of environmental remediation contracts and our aggressive entry into the solid waste management and recycling businesses. The environmental remediation projects are now performing as originally projected. The company has incurred approximately $1,600,000 of start up operating losses in the solid waste recycling business. We are seeing significant progress and expect these recycling centers to begin making operating profit contributions during the fourth quarter. We are confident that this business is adding significant value and earning power to the company."

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - G&K Services Inc. (NASDAQ: GKSRA), the Minneapolis-based textile leasing company, today reported record revenues but slightly lower net earnings for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Revenues rose 11.7 percent to a record $31,672,000 from $28,358,000 in the same quarter a year ago. Net earnings were $2,423,000, or $0.18 cents per share, down 5.7 percent from the $2,569,000, or $0.19 a share, earned a year ago.

Earnings were strongly affected by losses related to new startup operations in Miami, Seattle, and St. Louis which contributed only slightly to increased revenues. Excluding these new locations, net income increased to $.21 per share.

Richard Fink, chairman and CEO, said "G&K's revenue growth rate of 11.7 percent is well above the 9.2 percent gain reported in last year's first quarter. This increase reflects the high volume of new sales written in the last two quarters and a significant improvement in account retention.

"Earnings were adversely affected by losses at our three new startup locations. Since these operations were not established until late in the 1990 fiscal year, our results do not yet reflect the additional revenues that we expect to generate as they develop. Additionally, earnings were affected at older locations by higher merchandise costs associated with the increased revenue growth rate.

"There has been strong demand for our services. New account sales during the past two quarters have broken all past records, and account retention rates have also strengthened. We expect these trends to generate higher revenue growth during the rest of the year."

Fink also noted that G&K completed the purchase of Work West Corporation of Canada Ltd. at the end of the first quarter. Work Wear Canada, headquartered in Toronto, is Canada's largest uniform leasing company with revenues for the 1989 calendar year of approximately (U.S.) $62 million. G&K's second quarter will be the first reporting period to include oeprating results from the acquisition.

G&K Services is one of North America's largest suppliers of uniforms and related textile products. In the United States, the company operates in 23 states, serving customers from 20 processing plants and 28 sales and service centers. In Canada, G&K serves customers from 22 locations, including ten processing plants in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Westinghouse Savings Corp., a subsidiary of Westinghouse Financial Services Inc., has acquired United Federal Savings Bank of Illinois for $16 million, it was announced today.

"Market conditions have created opportunities for knowledgeable and experienced investors to acquire sound thrifts and make them stronger," said William A. Powe, chairman and chief executive officer of Westinghouse Financial Services.

"We see a potential for high returns with low risk. United Federal complements our existing residential real estate businesses and allows us to diversify our portfolio with consumer loans," said Powe.

United Federal has assets of $410 million and deposits of $380 million. Its loan portfolio consists entirely of residential mortgages and consumer loans. Founded in 1882, United Federal has headquarters in Galesburg and Peoria and additional offices in 12 locations throughout mid-state Illinois.

"The Westinghouse investment provides the additional capital needed to comply with the 1994 federal standards being phased in under the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989," said Richard E. Johnson, who continues as chief executive officer of United Federal. "This investment also expands our capacity for growth.

"United Federal holds a significant market share in the communities we serve. Our management team has strong local ties and is committed to growing its customer and depositor base," said Johnson.

A subsidiary of Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX), Westinghouse Financial Services is also the parent company of Westinghouse Credit Corp., the nation's largest finance company providing capital exclusively to businesses.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Fourteen Silicon Valley companies and their top executives participated in the "Cadence Stars & Strikes for Touchstone" bowling tournament sponsored by Cadence Design Systems Inc. (NYSE: CDN) on Saturday, Oct. 27 benefiting Touchstone Support Network, a local, non-profit organization dedicated to providing emotional and practical support services for families with children suffering from chronic or life-threatening

illnesses. The event generated a total of over $53,000, which will be used to help Touchstone's expansion of services in the South Bay area and its overall operational costs.

Prior to the event, Cadence executives recruited top Silicon Valley companies and leaders to participate in "Cadence Stars & Strikes for Touchstone" and donate $2,500 per lane. Each company and its employees formed teams to compete in the tournament. Participants included Cadence Design Systems, and Chief Executive Officer, Joseph Costello; Logic Modeling Systems and Chief Executive Officer, Curt Widdoes; Mentor Graphics Silicon Design Division and President, Jim Hammock; Synopsys and Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer Dwight Morita; Synoptics Communications and Chief Executive Officer, Andy Ludwick; VLSI Technology and Senior Vice President of Corporate Strategy, Doug Fairbairn; Valid Logic Systems and Chief Executive Officer, Doug Hajjar; and Zycad Corp. and Chief Financial Officer, Pete Cassidy. Additional participants included Arthur Anderson; Digital Equipment Corp.; Fenwick, Davis & West; Hewlett-Packard and MIPS Computer Systems. Maxtor Corp. also made a direct donation of $5,000 to Touchstone.

"This event exemplifies Silicon Valley leaders' commitment to the local community and support for organizations such as Touchstone," according to Costello. "It is inspiring to see CEOs and their companies put aside their competitive edge to work together for a dedicated group that provides services to our families here in Silicon Valley."

Cadence Design Systems Inc. is a leader in the design, development and marketing of software solutions for the design of integrated circuits and electronic systems. Cadence, with offices throughout the United States, Europe and Asia, is headquartered in San Jose, and is traded on the NYSE under the symbol CDN.

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MIAMI (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Knight-Ridder, Inc. (NYSE: KRI) announced today it is ceasing publication of Runways, a news magazine devoted to the commercial aviation industry.

Runways Publisher Larry Birger said the difficult economic environment under which the publication had been operating since its startup in March was responsible for the decision.

"While readership support more than lived up to our expectations, the advertising didn't follow," Birger said. "We are proud of the quality of our publication and the enthusiasm it generated among our readers. But there is no

sign that economic conditions will improve in the near future."

Runways, launched March 19, quickly grew to a circulation in excess of 30,000 readers. It provided news and feature coverage of the aviation and aerospace industries and was acclaimed for its outstanding use of graphics.

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NASHVILLE, TN. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Corrections Corporation of America (NASDAQ: CCAX) today announced third quarter earnings of $708,521, or $.08 per share, up 27 percent from $556,722, or $.06 per share, in the third quarter last year.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $14.9 million, an increase of 51 percent over revenues of $9.8 million in the 1989 period.

For the first nine months of 1990, CCA's earnings grew 48 percent to $1.6 million, or $.17 per share, from $1.1 million, or $.12 per share, last year. Revenues increased 64 percent to $41.1 million in 1990 from $25.1 million in the comparable nine-month period of 1989.

"We are pleased with the steady progress reflected in our third quarter earnings report," said CCA President Doctor R. Crants. "The company showed significantly higher revenues and earnings, despite lower occupancy rates than last year."

CCA opened new facilities in both the first and second quarters of 1990. The company's West Tennessee Detention Facility, originally scheduled to open the first of September, did not accept prisoners until the closing days of the quarter.

"We are proud of the care with which we brought our Mason, Tennessee facility on line," Crants said, "and expect it to generate significant revenues once it is fully populated.

"We plan to follow a similar schedule for opening our Torrance County Detention Facility at the end of November," Crants continued. "Fourth quarter occupancy will be depressed by the start up of these two new facilities, but we look for another increase in earnings at year's end based upon our established contracts."

CCA manages prisons and other correctional institutions for governmental agencies. The company is the industry leader in private sector corrections with 6,744 beds in 21 facilites under management contract or construction.

CCA provides a full range of services that include finance, design, construction, renovation and management of new or existing facilities.

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DETROIT (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Unisys Corp. (NYSE: UIS) today announced that Signet Bank, the second largest commercial bank in the State of Virginia, has purchased the Unisys InfoImage Image Item Processing System (IIPS). Signet will use IIPS, a high-speed electronic imaging system, to process checks and other payment instruments. The contract, valued at approximately $7.5 million includes hardware, software, and services.

By eliminating the repetitive physical handling of paper checks, currently the norm for conventional check processors, Signet will dramatically change its current labor-intensive method for handling transactions. At the same time, Signet will lay the foundation for improvements in customer service and introduction of new and enhanced products.

Signet is the fifth major bank in the country to announce the selection of Unisys as its principal image processing vendor in the high-speed payment systems area. Others are Chase Manhattan in New York; Huntington Bancshares in Columbus; The Northern Trust Company in Chicago; and Comerica Bank in Detroit. The Unisys IIPS system will be added to Signet's current item processing system, which processes 1.9 million items daily during peak volume periods.

Signet Bank, with more than $12.5 billion in assets, offers consumer-based products and services through 242 branch offices in Virginia, Maryland, and Washington, D.C.

Unisys Corp. is a $10 billion manufacturer of commercial information systems, defense systems and related services. Unisys has more than 75,000 employees and 60,000 customers in more 100 countries.

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PITMAN, N.J. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - K-Tron International Inc. (NASDAQ: KTII) today announced that its Swiss subsidiary, K-Tron Holding AG, has completed its previously announced acquisition of Hasler Freres International SA, a Swiss company headquartered in Colombier, from SECE Cortaillod Holding SA.

Under an agreement signed in late September, K-Tron agreed to pay 13 million

Swiss francs ($10 million at current exchange rates) for Hasler's stock, subject to possible adjustments. At closing, the purchase price was reduced to 6.2 million Swiss francs ($4.8 million at current exchange rates), primarily to reflect a pre-closing sale/leaseback of the Swiss land and building in Colombier. The purchase price is subject to further possible downward adjustment following completion of a closing date audit. In connection with the acquisition, K-Tron arranged the refinancing of approximately 10 million Swiss francs ($7.7 million at current exchange rates) of Hasler indebtedness.

K-Tron Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Leo C. Beebe said, "Our feeder and blender business continues to be the cornerstone of our strategic planning and growth. Building upon this cornerstone we are pleased to add the Swiss firm of Hasler Freres International SA. With this acquisition we move aggressively into the heavy duty feeder market."

Hasler is a leading manufacturer of heavy duty gravimetric feeders, primarily for the cement industry. The company also manufactures light duty feeders, controllers and other related equipment. With 1989 sales of approximately 27 million Swiss francs ($20.8 million at current exchange rates), Hasler joins the family of K-Tron companies which generated $56.7 million in revenue in 1989.

Beebe added, "Hasler's reputation for quality products and its strong distribution channels in Switzerland, Germany, France, Spain and Brazil, together with K-Tron's advanced weighing technology and worldwide market leadership, provide excellent synergies for improved operational performance and continued growth for K-Tron worldwide."

K-Tron International Inc., through its subsidiaries, is a major producer of gravimetric feeders, blenders and security systems with facilities in the United States, Europe and the Far East and customers throughout the world.

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BOSTON (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Citizens Gas Supply Corporation (CGSC) and Seneca Resources, a subsidiary of National Fuel Gas Company (NYSE: NFG), today formally disclosed plans for the formation of a joint venture involving long-term purchasing and sales of natural gas and asset acquisitions. The companies intend to target natural gas gathering systems and underground storage as areas of potential investment, and to pursue long-term transportation opportunities.

The announcement followed an informal one made last night to members of the

American Gas Association at a reception held at Boston's John F. Kennedy Library.

"Citizens and National Fuel have enjoyed a substantial commercial relationship for several years," said CGSC Chairman Michael LeM. Kennedy, who went on to say, "We look forward to expanding this relationship in size and scope through cooperative efforts in supply purchases and sales and in the commitment of capital to natural gas assets. This joint venture will enhance Citizens' ability as a natural gas marketer to reliably move producers' gas to both long- and short- term markets."

Bernard J. Kennedy, National Fuel chairman, president and chief executive officer, said, "National Fuel is pleased to enter into this new phase of our relationship with Citizens Gas. The joint efforts of these two companies represents a significant expansion of our gas marketing business and will lead to the acquisition of natural gas assets, including gathering facilities and natural gas reserves."

Citizens Gas Supply is an independent, Boston-based gas marketer with gas supply operations in Houston and is a subsidiary of Citizens Energy Corporation. Since it began natural gas operations in 1983, Citizens has grown to become one of the top five independent natural gas marketers in the United States.

National Fuel Gas Company, based in Buffalo, N.Y., is a public utility holding company with subsidiaries involved in natural gas pipeline and storage operations, utility distribution and exploration and production. Seneca Resources is engaged in the exploration for, and development of oil and natural gas reserves in California, the Gulf Coast, and southwest areas of the United States.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hallwood Group Incorporated (NYSE: HWG) today notified all holders of 12 percent Convertible Notes due July 31, 1997, issued by its former subsidiary, Atlantic Metropolitan (U.K.) plc, that the period during which such notes may be converted into Hallwood common shares will expire on Nov. 30, 1990. The notes are convertible at the rate of 0.2164 shares of common stock for each pound (principal amount) of notes.

Separately, Hallwood announced it would delist its shares from the London Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Allan E. Morris of The Hallwood Group Incorporated, 216-696-1111

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#90303p1298 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - USX Corp. (NYSE: X) net income for the third quarter of 1990 totaled $163 million, or $.63 per common share, on sales of $5.1 billion compared with net income of $175 million, or $.62 per common share, on sales of $4.4 billion for the third quarter 1989, it was announced today.

Earnings per share increased quarter to quarter, due mainly to a significant reduction in preferred stock outstanding. Last year's third quarter included pretax profits of $98 million from asset sales compared with $5 million in the current quarter. The Corporation's operating income for the third quarter 1990 was $382 million compared with operating income for the third quarter 1989 of $302 million.

The Energy segment reported operating income of $278 million on sales of $3.7 billion in the third quarter 1990. This compares with operating income of $189 million on sales of $3.0 billion in the third quarter 1989.

Energy's upstream operations (exploration and production) reported operating income of $127 million for the current quarter, an increase of $59 million from the third quarter of 1989. The increase was due primarily to higher prices for worldwide liquid hydrocarbons and foreign natural gas partially offset by decreased domestic crude oil production.

Operating income from Energy's downstream operations (refining, marketing and transportation) totaled $142 million in the current quarter, an increase of $30 million from the third quarter of 1989 due primarily to higher refined product margins.

The Steel segment reported operating income of $63 million on sales of $1.3 billion in the third quarter 1990 compared with operating income of $85 million on sales of $1.3 billion in the third quarter 1989. The decline in operating income was due primarily to lower steel prices.

The Diversified Businesses segment reported operating income of $3 million on sales of $138 million in the third quarter 1990 compared with operating income of $13 million on sales of $153 million in the third quarter 1989.

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-30- 2306

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CHICAGO (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Materials Corp. (AMEX: CUO) today

reported a net loss of $329,000 or 28 cents per share for the third quarter, compared with a net loss of $226,000 or 19 cents per share a year ago. The nine months' loss was $1,229,000 or $1.05 per share, compared with a loss of $1,185,000 or $1.02 per share a year ago.

Net sales decreased to $18.5 million, compared with $21.4 million in last year's third quarter. For the nine months, net sales decreased to $55.8 million from $63.9 million a year ago.

Imeco, Inc. of Polo and Dixon, Ill., again achieved strong results with significant sales and income gains over last year's third quarter and first nine months.

Williams Furnace Co. of Colton, Calif., reported a significant decline in sales for the third quarter and first nine months, reflecting an industry-wide decline in sales and some loss of market share. Williams achieved higher income, however, due to cost-cutting measures instituted over the past year.

Phoenix Manufacturing, Inc. sales declined as mild weather in their market areas dampened sales throughout the industry. An extended, planned plant shut down in September for installation of a new state-of- the-art wash system also depressed income.

Combined sales and operations of Continental's two Colorado Springs subsidiaries, Transit Mix Co. and Castle Concrete Co., again declined due to the deep and continued slump in the Colorado Springs construction market.

Income from the company's mining interests for the first nine months of 1990 declined to $40,000, from $190,000 in the prior year, as a result of lower silver prices and discontinuation of payments on a uranium property. The Oracle Ridge Mining Partners' copper property near Tucson, Ariz., is scheduled to begin production by the end of October 1990. The company owns a 30 percent interest in this partnership. The company's share of earnings and cash flow, if any, from the partnership is not expected to be significant in 1990.

CONTACT: David R. Gilbert or John N. DeBoice of Lesnik Public Relations, 312-291-1080, for Continental Materials

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OAK BROOK, IL (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Waste Management of North America, Inc. today announced the acquisition of Durbin Paper Stock Co., Inc., a major reclaimer and processor of recyclable paper.

Based in Miami, Fla., Durbin owns and operates six recycling processing facilities in Miami, Pompano Beach, Tampa and Sarasota, Fla., and in Rock Island, Ill., and Winston-Salem, N.C. Durbin also has sales offices throughout

the U.S. and abroad to market recycled materials.

Durbin's operations will join Waste Management's existing network of 60 processing facilities across the U.S. and Canada. This year, Waste Management expects to process and market more than one million tons of paper.

Commenting on the acquisition, William P. Hulligan, president, Waste Management of North America, said, "With this acquisition, we have strengthened our recycling processing operation and have expanded our service network to the international market. It will enhance our existing Recycle America collection and processing operations and improve our ability to service customers.

Serge Storelli, president of Durbin, commented, "By joining forces with the nation's largest recycler, we have enhanced our ability to provide processing and brokering services." Other materials processed at Durbin's facilities include aluminum, plastic and ferrous and non-ferrous metals.

Waste Management of North America, Inc., the largest subsidiary of Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: WMX), is the nation's largest provider of solid wastes services. Waste Management is the nation's premier recycler, serving more than two million households in 260 communities through its Recycle America service.

CONTACT: Geri Powell of Waste Management, (708) 572-2998.

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CANTON, OH (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Diebold, Incorporated (NYSE: DBD) today declared a 37.5 cents per share cash dividend on all common shares to be paid Dec. 28, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 7.

Diebold, Incorporated is a world leader in the automation of self-service transaction, security products, software and service for these systems. Headquartered in Canton, Ohio, Diebold maintains offices worldwide.

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#90303p1313 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard R. Powis, vice president of store operations and pharamacy services of the Brook's division of Hook-SupeRx, Inc. (HSI), has been promoted to corporate vice president of pharmacy services of HSI with responsibilities for corporate pharmacy purchasing, pharmacy managed care, third party and mail order services, according to Philip E. Beekman, chairman of HSI.

Powis began his career at HSI's Hook division as a licensed pharmacist and assistant manager. He has held the positions of store manager, photo services general manager, buyer, district manager, assistant vice president of store operations and vice president of professional services at Hook's, as well as the position at Brook's, which is being filled by William Z. Welsh.

Welsh has served as vice president of adminstration for the Brook's division for the past three years. He assumes the Brook's division vice presidency of store operations on Nov. 5.

Hook-SupeRx, Inc. with headquarters in Cincinnati, operates 1,113 drug stores in 22 states through three operating divisions: Brook's Drugs, Inc. Hook Drugs and SupeRx Drugs.

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#90303p1315 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T today announced a telephone interpretation service never before available to consumers.

Starting today, AT&T Language Line(SM) Services' new offering gives consumers in the United States and around the world 24-hour-a-day access to highly-trained experts who can provide telephone-based interpretation services quickly and inexpensively in virtually any language or dialect.

AT&T Language Line Services began offering interpretation services by telephone in 1989 to businesses and emergency agencies, such as police and fire departments, 911 centers and hospitals across the United States. Now, in response to increasing needs and demands, the service is available to consumers as well.

Here are examples of how AT&T Lanugage Line Services' consumer offering works:

-- An American traveling abroad experiences a medical emergency and goes to a local clinic for treatment. The attending doctor speaks only a few English words and has difficulty understanding the patient's symptoms and medical history. The patient calls AT&T Language Line Services and within moments, an interpreter comes on the line to begin to translate the conversation between the patient and doctor.

-- A recent immigrant who has not yet mastered English has difficulty obtaining information about her tax return. She calls AT&T Language Line Services and within moments, an interpreter joins the call to relay the conversation between the immigrant and the federal tax office.

Consumers in the United States can reach an interpreter by calling toll-free 1-800-628-8486. From outside the United States, they can call either AT&T's USADirect (R) service and ask to be connected to AT&T Language Line Services' toll-free number, or they can call directly to AT&T Language Line Services on 408-648-5871, preceded by the appropriate access codes required to call the United States.

The service costs $3.50 per minute for the time on-line with an interpreter and can be billed to major credit cards, including the AT&T Universal Card, American Express, VISA and MasterCard.

In addition to telephone-based interpretation, AT&T Language Line Services provides a variety of other language services including written document translation, foreign language voice recordings and international and domestic telemarketing. For additional information, call 1-800-752-6096.

CONTACT: Nancy Crispino, 415-978-2225 (office) or 415-792-7788 (home); or Randall Shields, 415-978-2229 (office) or 415-512-7251 (home), both of AT&T

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#90303p1318 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVING, TEXAS (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Elliot R. Cattarulla, chairman of the board of trustees of the Exxon Education Foundation, announced today that Edward F. Ahnert has been appointed executive director of the foundation. Ahnert will replace Donald L. Guertin who will become a consultant to industry in the areas of education and public policy.

Ahnert will be responsible for managing the programs of the Exxon Education Foundation (EEF), which are recommended by the foundation's professional staff and approved by the board of trustees.

The EEF was established in 1955 by Exxon Corporation and is supported by Exxon Corporation and its affiliates as a non-profit corporation aiding education in the United States. Since 1955, the EEF has given more than $300 million in support for initiatives designed to assist all levels of education from kindergarten through university.

In 1989, the EEF provided more than $18 million in grants in support of programs in mathematics education, elementary and secondary school improvement teacher education, undergraduate general education and undergraduate developmental education. As part of its program, the EEF also has an Educational Matching Gift Program which provides a 3-to-1 match for contributions made by Exxon employees and annuitants to support degree-granting accredited U.S. colleges and universities.

Speaking on behalf of the board of trustees, Cattarulla said, "We are pleased to announce Edward Ahnert's appointment as executive director of the Exxon

Education Foundation. Our programs in school restructuring, mathematics education and teacher education will benefit from his background in public policy and finance as well as his international experience. His interest in education and broad academic qualifications will assist the foundation in implementing present initiatives as well as working with educators to develop new directions for the future."

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DENVER (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Newmont Mining Corp. (NYSE: NEM) today announced third quarter net income of $248.4 million, or $3.66 a share, compared with $25.8 million, or 38 cents a share, in the third quarter of 1989. Net income in the 1990 quarter included non-recurring after-tax gains of $149.7 million, or $2.21 a share, from the sale of Newmont's 54.97 percent interest in Peabody Holding Co. Inc.; and $67.2 million, or 99 cents a share, from the sale of 19.99 percent of Newmont Australia Ltd. Consolidated sales for the quarter were $170.1 million compared with $172.9 million in the 1989 third quarter.

Newmont Mining's reported equity in gold production, which now consists solely of 90.1 percent of Newmont Gold's output, was 376,100 ounces in the third quarter. This compares with equity in 384,600 ounces in the third quarter of 1989. The average sales price received for gold in the 1990 quarter, including the effects of Newmont Mining's hedging program and gold loan payment, was $401 per ounce compared with $397 per ounce in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $337.5 million, or $4.98 a share, compared with $42.3 million, or 63 cents a share, in the like 1989 period. The 1990 results included non-recurring after-tax gains of $149.7 million, or $2.21 a share, from the Peabody asset sale; and $79.2 million, or $1.17 a share, from the sale of 19.99 percent of Newmont Australia and from a gain on issuance of shares by that company. Consolidated sales for the first nine months were $520.2 million compared with $435.5 million in the comparable 1989 period.

Newmont Mining's 90.1 percent interest in Newmont Gold Co. (NYSE: NGC) contributed $47.3 million in pretax income during the third quarter, compared with $41.8 million recorded in the third quarter of 1989. This increase was due primarily to the higher price received for gold and an unusually low cost of production in the 1990 quarter. Newmont Gold produced 417,400 ounces in the third quarter compared with 426,900 ounces in the third quarter of 1989. The average price received by Newmont Gold was $385 an ounce in the quarter compared with $368 an ounce in the 1989 third quarter.

Newmont Mining is a leading pure gold company which owns 90.1 percent of Newmont Gold, North America's largest producer; and 100 percent of Newmont Exploration Ltd., a company engaged worldwide in exploration for gold.

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#90303p1322 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Newmont Gold Co. (NYSE: NGC) today reported third quarter net income of $36.7 million, or 35 cents a share, compared with $33.5 million, or 32 cents a share in the third quarter of 1989. Sales revenues for the third quarter were $160.9 million compared with $157.1 million in the third quarter of 1989. The price received for gold averaged $385 per ounce in the quarter compared with $368 per ounce in the 1989 quarter. Production in the third quarter was 417,400 ounces compared with 426,900 ounces in the 1989 quarter. Third quarter cash cost of production averaged $207 an ounce, down from $210 an ounce in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $116.3 million, or $1.11 a share, compared with $77.8 million, or 74 cents a share, in the comparable 1989 period. Sales revenues for the nine months of 1990 were $490.5 million compared with $404.5 million in the first nine months of 1989. The price received for gold averaged $385 per ounce in the first nine months of 1990 compared with $378 in the comparable 1989 period. Production in the first nine months of the year was a record 1,274,100 ounces of gold, up 19 percent from the 1,070,000 ounces produced in the first nine months of 1989. Cash cost of production in the 1990 period averaged $212 an ounce, down from $228 an ounce in the first three quarters of 1989.

In all, 36.6 million tons were mined in the third quarter of 1990, including 4.6 million tons mined at Newmont Gold's Post orebody at no cost by American Barrick, compared with 29.1 million tons in the third quarter of 1989. The company's five mills treated 3.8 million tons of ore and produced 283,200 ounces in the third quarter, compared with 3.7 million tons treated and 263,800 ounces produced in the third quarter of the prior year. Leach operations had 8.4 million tons of ore placed on pads and produced 134,200 ounces in the third quarter. This compares with 8.4 million tons placed and 163,100 ounces produced in the 1989 quarter.

Newmont Gold, 90 percent owned by Newmont Mining Corp. (NYSE: NEM), is the largest producer of gold in North America. At the end of 1989 it had 20.7 million ounces of proven and probable reserves, the largest announced reserve position on the continent.

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#90303p1324 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
DENVER (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Newmont Gold Co. (NYSE: NGC) today declared a dividend of 5 cents per share of common stock, payable Dec. 11, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 27, 1990.

Newmont Gold, 90-percent owned by Newmont Mining Corp. (NYSE: NEM), is the largest producer of gold in North America.

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#90303p1327 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of ENSERCH Corp. (NYSE: ENS) has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share of common stock payable Dec. 3, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 16, 1990. This will be the 186th consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid by ENSERCH.

ENSERCH Corp. is a diversified energy, engineering and construction company.

CONTACT: Benjamin A. Brown, 214-670-2204 (analyst), or Crystal C. Bell, 214-670-2528 (media); both of ENSERCH Corp.

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#90303p1329 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
DENVER (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Newmont Mining Corp. (NYSE: NEM) today declared the regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share of common stock, payable Dec. 11, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 27, 1990.

Newmont Mining is a leading pure gold company which owns 90.1 percent of Newmont Gold Co. (NYSE: NGC), North America's largest producer; and 100 percent of Newmont Exploration Ltd., a company engaged worldwide in exploration for gold.

CONTACT: James F. Hill of Newmont Mining Corp., 303-837-5977

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#90303p1331 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
DULUTH, MN (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Minnesota Power (NYSE: MPL) announced that it has amended its Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) to permit the Plan Trustee to borrow up to $75 million to purchase additional shares of new issue common stock from Minnesota Power. As provided by the terms of the ESOP, the additional new common stock will be used to provide supplemental retirement

benefits to ESOP participants.

It is anticipated that the Plan Trustee will issue a promissory note with a term of 25 years to the company in exchange for such new common stock. The Plan Trustee will repay the loan with dividends paid on common stock in the ESOP and with certain employer-company contributions.

Under current tax law, to the extent dividends paid on the shares of common stock of the company held by the Plan Trustee are used to repay a loan which meets certain requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, the company may deduct the amount of such dividends on its corporate income tax returns and realize tax savings.

The issuance of the new common stock is expected to occur in the fourth quarter of 1990, at a price per share equal to the closing price of the common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on the trading day immediately preceding the day of issuance.

The increased number of shares outstanding will initially have a minimal dilutive impact on earnings per share of the company's common stock. However, to lessen and eliminate this impact, the company intends to implement a common stock open market repurchase plan in order to reduce the number of outstanding shares of the company's common stock to the level existing immediately prior to the issuance of the new common stock to the Plan Trustee. The common stock repurchases are expected to be made on the open market from time to time starting in late 1990 and continuing through 1991 and early 1992.

The aggregate number of shares of the company's common stock issued and outstanding is approximately 29 million. The Plan Trustee currently holds approximately 7.1 percent of the company's common stock and it is anticipated that, after the Plan Trustee's purchase of the additional new common stock, and the company's repurchase of its common stock on the open market the Plan Trustee will hold approximately 17.3 percent of the company's outstanding common stock.

Headquartered in Duluth, Minn., Minnesota Power is a diversified electric utility with interest in coal mining, papermaking and water and wastewater treatment.

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DALLAS (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Maxus Energy Corp. (NYSE: MXS) today declared a dividend of $1 per share on the company's $4 cumulative convertible preferred stock. The dividend is payable Dec. 14, 1990 to stockholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

Dallas-based Maxus Energy Corp. is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company.

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#90303p1336 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - To help paint companies formulate high-performance, low-VOC (volatile organic compound) coatings, Mobay Corporation, of Pittsburgh, today introduced new coating resins and inorganic pigments. The new products include a Bayhydrol waterborne acrylic polyol for maintenance coatings that is the result of a key technology breakthrough. Another outstanding new product is a Bayhydrol aqueous polyurethane dispersion for low-VOC, high-performance automotive refinish primer surfacers.

Also reported by Mobay were several plant expansions and an upgrading of production facilities to help meet demand for coating raw materials and pigments.

The announcements were made at a press briefing at the Ramada Renaissance Hotel-Techworld, conducted in conjunction with the 1990 Paint Industries' Show. The show is being held Oct. 29-31 at the Washington Convention Center and is sponsored by the Federation of Societies for Coatings Technology. Mobay, a Bayer U.S.A. company(A), is an exhibitor at the show (booth No. 921).

The briefing was led by Richard L. White, senior executive vice president of Mobay, who introduced the new waterborne acrylic polyol and discussed the plant expansions and upgrading. Nicholas T. Cullen, vice president of marketing for Mobay's Coatings Division, also was a key speaker, announcing six other important new products now available from the company.

The new products, White said, demonstrate an emphasis at Mobay to supply raw materials that help paint companies and their customers "achieve two concurrent goals: to meet or exceed statutory low-VOC emission levels, and to maintain the high level of performance and protection which have identified paints and coatings made with our raw materials and technology."

New Bayhydrol Polyol Offers High-Performance Properties The new waterborne polyacrylic polyol introduced by Mobay is Bayhydrol LS 2940, a developmental product made possible by a technology breakthrough that enables the water-based polyol to react favorably with polyisocyanates. This permits the formulation of paint systems with both excellent performance properties and very low VOC emissions -- from 2.08 lbs./gal. down to zero. In the past, waterborne polyols could not be successfully mixed with polyisocyanates.

The technology breakthrough, White reported, creates new opportunities for coating bridges, industrial plants and other structures with paints that achieve the dual goals of reducing atmospheric emissions while retaining high levels of protection and appearance. The new proprietary technology was developed by Bayer AG scientists in Germany, the Mobay executive noted.

The Bayhydrol LS 2940 polyol is 30 percent solids and 70 percent water by weight and can be used with various Desmodur N aliphatic polyisocyanates available from Mobay to formulate low-solvent, low-VOC paints, he noted. To produce "low-solvent and even zero-VOC paint systems," Bayhydrol LS 2940 polyol also can be combined with certain Desmodur N aliphatic polyisocyanates, or with the new Desmodur LS 2550 aliphatic polyisocyanate, also introduced today by Mobay, White said.

Mobay is part of the Bayer U.S.A. group of companies. Bayer U.S.A. is the U.S. management holding company of Bayer AG, Germany, and is a diversified group of companies with businesses in chemicals, healthcare and imaging systems. In addition to Mobay, other major Bayer companies in the U.S. include Miles Inc., and Agfa Corporation. Bayer U.S.A. sales in 1989 were $5.4 billion, or more than 20 percent of Bayer's sales worldwide.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Marriott Corporation (NYSE: MHS) announced today the opening of an on-site child care center at its international headquarters building in Bethesda, Md. Marriott is the largest employer in the United States sponsoring such a facility at its headquarters.

The 5,600-square-foot Marriott Child Development Center offers child care for children ages 6 weeks to 36 months. Available to all local Marriott employees, the center specializes in infant and toddler care, which is the most difficult type of care to find in the Washington area. The facility, which has capacity for 60 children, features a contemporary design with bright colors and a 3,800-square-foot outdoor playground with state-of-the-art equipment.

"Marriott is proud to provide child care to our headquarters employees," said J.W. Marriott Jr., chairman and president of Marriott Corporation. "The convenience and quality of service at this center will be of real benefit to our employees. We hope it will help them balance the many demands of their personal and professional lives."

The center is operated for Marriott by Corporate Child Care, Inc., a Nashville-based firm which specializes in employer-sponsored child care services. In a joint venture, Marriott's Food and Services Management division and Corporate Child Care offer on-site child care services to

Marriott business, education and healthcare clients. Currently, Corporate Child Care operates 10 child care centers, with plans to open 10 to 15 centers in 1991.

The headquarters child care center is among several programs sponsored and managed by Marriott's Department of Work and Family Life to assist employees in balancing the demands of job and family responsibilities. Other programs include a Family Care Spending Account, which allows employees to pay for dependent care with pre-tax money; Child Care Choices, a nationwide resource and referral service to assist employees in finding suitable child care arrangements; Child Care Discount Program, which provides employee discounts at independent day care centers; and Parenting Seminar Series, a series of lectures that addresses child development and parenting skills.

Recently, Working Mother magazine named Marriott one of "The 75 Best Companies for Working Mothers" and highlighted the company for providing "exceptional child care" for employees and clients.

Marriott Corporation is a diversified hospitality company involved in lodging and contract services. It has more than 200,000 employees and is one of the 10 largest employers in the United States.

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SUN VALLEY, CA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Flamemaster Corp. (NASDAQ - NMS: FAME), reported today that its Chem Seal division received a General Services Administration contract valued at $2.6 million dollars to supply aircraft sealants to the U.S. Government.

Shipments of the sealants, used mostly in aircraft fuel tanks, are scheduled to begin in December 1990.

CONTACT: Joseph Mazin, president of Flamemaster, 818-982-1650 or 213-875-1590

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BOSTON (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Colonial Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: COGRA), which is primarily involoved in the investment management and distribution of mutual funds, today announced that its board of directors had declared a regular quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share on its Class A and Class B Common Stock, respectively, each payable Nov. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 14, 1990.

Founded in 1931, The Colonial Group is one of the nation's oldest and most experienced investment advisors. In 1989, Forbes magazine named Colonial the 7th best small company in America. Colonial manages approximately $8 billion for more than 400,000 investors.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - First Nationwide Financial Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Ford Motor Co., today announced it has added $115 million to loan loss reserves, including a $92 million increase in general reserves. The action reduced third-quarter net income by $69 million.

The company said 1990 third-quarter earnings were a net loss of $44.6 million, compared with a net gain of $36.4 million a year earlier. For the first nine months of 1990, the company earned $32.6 million, compared with $44.8 million for the same period a year ago.

The company said apartment and commercial real estate loan delinquencies increased beginning early this year. The increases were primarily in metropolitan New York. Delinquencies also increased in selected Southeastern locations and moderately in California. The company said it has taken a number of steps to respond to market conditions, including adding to loss reserves beginning in the fourth quarter of 1989 and reducing commercial real estate lending.

"Given the present real estate climate, it's logical and prudent to increase our loan loss provision," said Robert E. Lackovic, First Nationwide's chairman and chief executive officer. "First Nationwide's $17.4 billion real estate loan portfolio is diversified and well collateralized. Fundamental operations including operating costs and net interest margins, continue to improve."

The company also stated that its principal subsidiary, First Nationwide Bank, had recently completed a routine, concurrent examination of its operations by the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. The additions to the loan loss reserves, booked in the third quarter, reflect the result of this examination.

The company noted, however, that two accounting issues not resolved during the examination could adversely affect the bank's earnings and regulatory capital. One issue is the valuation of certain mortgage securities. The other issue involves contractually related intangibles resulting from FSLIC-assisted acquisitions in 1986-87. The bank is discussing both of these issues with its regulators and exploring options to minimize the effects. The bank believes it will resolve these issues in the next three to nine months.

The company announced it expects to receive a capital contribution of $250 million from its parent Ford Motor Co. in November 1990. The contribution would be used to strengthen the capital base of First Nationwide Bank, the company's principal subsidiary. All of the company's savings association subsidiaries exceed capital ratios required by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA).

Assets were $28.2 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $31.7 billion a year ago.

In addition to First Nationwide Bank, it principal subsidiary, First Nationwide Financial Corp. operates Columbia Savings, Denver; Pathway Financial F.A., Chicago; and Cardinal Federal Savings Bank, Cleveland. Together, the company operates 263 retail branches in 11 states and 34 loan offices in nine states. First Nationwide is part of the Ford Financial Services Group.

CONTACT: Stephen Johnson, 415-772-1475; or Dan Brigham, 415-772-1469; both of First Nationwide Financial Corp.

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VALLEY FORGE, PA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of UGI Corp. (NYSE: UGI) today declared the regular quarterly dividend of 29-1/2 cents a share on the common stock of the company, payable Jan. 1, 1991, to holders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

UGI's board also declared quarterly dividends of 45 cents, $2.12-1/2 and $2.25 a share, respectively, on the company's $1.80 series, $8.50 series and $9 series preferred stock. The preferred dividends also are payable Jan. 1, 1991 to holders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Vince Testa of UGI, 215-337-1000

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BIRMINGHAM, MICH. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Kuhlman Corporation (NYSE: KUH) today increased the quarterly dividend rate by 50 percent with the declaration of a 15 cents per share dividend, payable Jan. 10 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 11, 1990.

This is the second increase in the dividend rate this year. At the beginning of 1990, the quarterly rate was 3 cents per share. In August, the rate was more than tripled to 10 cents per share. Kuhlman Corporation has paid dividends in either cash or stock in every year since 1946.

Kuhlman Corporation is a manufacturer of distribution, power and instrument transformers; and spring products.

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MADISON, NJ (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Schering-Plough Corporation (NYSE: SGP) today released the following:

For the sake of asthmatic patients and their physicians, Schering- Plough Corporation is compelled to alert them to self-serving publicity campaigns by the organized plaintiffs' trial bar that could seriously mislead and harm asthma sufferers taking theophylline, a standard asthma therapy.

Theophylline is an important, well-established treatment in the control of chronic asthma, a serious and potentially life-threatening disease. Asthma affects 10 million Americans and is responsible annually for an estimated 1.2 million emergency room visits and approximately 5,000 deaths.

Asthma is a complex disease requiring individualized treatment. Physicians must have free and unrestricted access to a variety of different agents, with different therapeutic mechanisms -- including theophylline products -- in order to provide optimal treatment for their asthmatic patients. Theophylline has been used and studied as an asthma treatment for nearly 50 years. This wealth of experience is explicitly reflected in theophylline's government-approved labeling, which instructs physicians on its proper use in both adults and children. The instructions emphasize the need to monitor theophylline blood levels and to carefully individualize each patient's dosage to the minimum required to achieve asthmatic control.

Properly used, under physician supervision and in accordance with approved labeling, serious theophylline side effects have been very rare. Schering-Plough's own experience, as the U.S. leader in theophylline therapy, bears this out. Our products have been prescribed approximately 60 million times since 1985 alone, and in that time the reported incidence of serious adverse drug events, as defined by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has been only 1.3 reports per 100,000 prescriptions. This is a very good and reassuring safety record.

The Association of Trial Lawyers of America (ATLA), under the guise of a consumer protection program, is launching a publicity campaign aimed at alarming asthma patients about theophylline. ATLA is an organization of trial lawyers who file lawsuits on behalf of claimants and plaintiffs while retaining a percentage of any monies gained. ATLA has submitted a letter on theophylline to the FDA and has scheduled a media event to promote its efforts tomorrow in Washington.

Schering-Plough is concerned that ATLA's campaign, combined with newspaper ads by plaintiffs' lawyers soliciting theophylline clients for possible litigation will serve to alarm patients and interfere with physician-patient relationships by overstating and overdramatizing the known risks of theophylline. This kind of campaign has the potential to endanger patients. Should a patient or parent be alarmed into discontinuing critical asthma medications in response to scare messages, severe and even fatal consequences may result. Patients should not be deceived by these lawyers' tactics, but should continue taking their medication as recommended by their physician.

Schering-Plough strongly believes that theophylline is an important prescription therapy for asthma patients. Alarmist and self-serving campaigns like ATLA's, and newspaper advertisements placed by lawyers soliciting clients, are not in the best interests of the asthma patient.

CONTACT: Steve Galpin Jr. of Schering-Plough, 201-822-7415

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ENCINO, Calif. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Properties Inc. (AMEX: MPP) today reported net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $420,000, or $.18 per share. For the comparable prior year period, Medical Properties had net income of $423,000, or $.18 per share.

Total income, primarily from rental properties, was $1,342,000 for the current third quarter, compared with $1,334,000 for the same quarter a year ago.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income totaled $1,268,000, or $.54 per share, on total income -- principally from rental properties -- of $4,007,000. For the comparable prior year period, net income was $1,461,000, or $.62 per share, on total income -- principally from rental properties.

The decrease in income and net income for the nine month period as compared to the same period last year was primarily due to lower excess rental income and higher operating expenses.

The company said that it expects to continue the cash dividend policy of $1.20 per share annually, payable quarterly, and that cash available from operations should be sufficient to maintain this dividend rate. The most recent quarterly cash dividend of $.30 per share was paid on Oct. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 28, 1990.

Medical Properties is a real estate investment trust engaged in investing in income producing health care related facilities.

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Melvyn S. Rifkind of Melvyn S. Rifkind Inc., 818-783-8323, for Medical Properties

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CHICAGO (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S) and The Globe Group today announced they will form an alliance to offer nationwide automobile glass repair and replacement services through more than 250 Sears automotive and light-truck service centers.

The service will be called Autoglass by Sears and will be an alliance between Sears and a newly created subsidiary of The Globe Group of Chicago called AutoComp Services, Inc. Autoglass by Sears will initially be rolled out over a three-year period.

The Globe Group is the largest family-owned and operated auto glass repair and replacement company in the nation. The company pioneered mobile auto glass service in 1953. It also provides state-of-the-art windshield repair, Clear-Fix, in which minor windshield nicks and cracks can be repaired without expensive replacement.

The joint announcement was made by Forrest R. Haselton, vice president-automotive, Sears Merchandise Group, and Joe Kellman, president and owner of Globe.

"We see this agreement as a natural extension of the services and customer conveniences already offered by Sears auto centers," said Haselton. Sears currently operates more than 800 auto centers nationwide.

"This is just another example of Sears' ability to leverage off its strengths " Haselton said. "It will provide additional traffic and sales for our auto centers and added convenience for customers," he added.

"Since 1916, Globe has grown by being an innovator and providing quality repair and replacement glass service for our customers," said Kellman. "Through this innovative relationship with Sears, we will be able to provide quality service at a fair price at more than 250 new locations with both in-shop and convenient mobile service."

Autoglass by Sears will serve general consumers and insurance clients. The first national client for the new service will be Allstate, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sears.

CONTACT: Shari Johnson of Allstate Insurance Co., 708-402-8941; or Carol Warner of The Globe Group, 312-292-6044; or Gordon Jones of Sears, Roebuck and Co., 312-875-4726

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#90303p1369 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, VA. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobil Corporation (NYSE: MOB) today announced that it will begin a pilot program in the Washington, metropolitan area to address the environmental problem caused by improper disposal of used motor oil. Mobil's program will include both educating its customers and providing collection facilities for used motor oil.

"The improper disposal of used oil has been identified as a real environmental concern," stated R. J. McCool, vice president of U.S. marketing for Mobil. "A growing number of our customers, many of whom do their own oil changes, recognize that improper disposal of used oil is not in anyone's interest. As a marketer of automotive lubricants, we want to do our part to make sure that used oil is disposed of properly.

"Beginning this week, we are asking all Mobil dealers in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area who have the ability to accept used oil, to join in the pilot program. At those locations that do not have the ability to receive and store used oil, we will encourage our dealers to participate in the program's educational component."

Earlier this month, Mobil launched national television advertising urging motorists to dispose of used motor oil in an environmentally acceptable manner. The ending to its "Mobil 1" motor oil commercials encourages do-it-yourself oil-change customers to take the oil to collection centers at service stations, garages, government-operated facilities and other locations.

McCool announced that each of Mobil's company operated stations in the Washington area that have used oil storage tanks will begin accepting oil immediately.

The Mobil educational effort will complement the collection program by posting signs urging proper used oil disposal and letting consumers know where they can get more information, and the locations of used oil collection centers.

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WINSTON-SALEM, NC (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - First Wachovia Corporation (NYSE: FW) announced today that its member companies plan to adopt the same basic name next year.

The First National Bank of Atlanta will change its name to Wachovia Bank of Georgia, N.A., and Wachovia Bank and Trust Company, N.A. will become Wachovia Bank of North Carolina, N.A.

The names of the banks' holding companies also will change. First Atlanta Corporation will become Wachovia Corporation of Georgia, and The Wachovia Corporation will be renamed Wachovia Corporation of North Carolina.

The corporate services subsidiary will become Wachovia Corporate Services Inc.; the trust services subsidiary will change to Wachovia Trust Services Inc.; the residential mortgage company will be renamed Wachovia Mortgage Company; and the student financial services subsidiary will become Wachovia Student Financial Services Inc.

First Wachovia Corporation shareholders will be asked in April for authorization to change the parent company's name to Wachovia Corporation early next summer, said John G. Medlin Jr., chief executive officer. A new Wachovia logo will be introduced when the changes become effective.

D. Raymond Riddle, president and chief executive officer of First Atlanta, said, "The partnership formed by the merger in 1985 of First Atlanta and Wachovia has worked well. Being able to spread costs over a larger base has made it possible for our banks to enhance operating systems and services while retaining autonomy in serving our markets. We value highly the First Atlanta name, but it does not reflect our current status as a statewide bank in Georgia or a key component of a superregional banking company."

Riddle said that the Wachovia name is distinctive, is geographically limitless and has high recognition across the Southeast and in the national and international corporate financial services markets.

L. M. Baker Jr., president and chief executive officer of Wachovia Bank and Trust, said, "We see the conforming of names as a natural step in the evolution of our merger. The common identity reflects the unified and effective banking organization we have built."

"There will be no changes, except in the names," Medlin said. "The two banks will remain separate legal entities, and each will retain its current board of directors, management and staff. The parent company will continue to have dual headquarters in Atlanta and Winston-Salem."

At September 30, First Wachovia had assets of $24.7 billion. The company has 364 full-service banking offices in Georgia and North Carolina and specialized financial services offices in eight other states and the United Kingdom.

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DALLAS (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - American Airlines said today that it is urging the Dept. of Transportation to reconsider its decision in the Chicago-Tokyo route case and award the route authority to American instead of United Air Lines.

American said the DOT's decision, announced Oct. 16, is based on "a terrible flaw in logic." When United acquired Pan Am's Pacific route network in 1985 to become a dominant carrier in that region, DOT expected that new routes to Japan in the future would be made available to emerging competitors in order to increase competition, American said.

"Now, five years later, the department has awarded the single most valuable route produced by U. S. efforts to create additional entry to Japan--Chicago-Tokyo--to United. That decision is not only inconsistent with the department's rationale," American said, "it is predicated on a terrible flaw in logic."

The DOT said it was selecting United over American because of United's extensive route network in the Pacific and its Tokyo hub, which enable United to carry passengers beyond Japan to other points in the Pacific.

"Rather than serving as a disqualifying, negative, or even a neutral factor, the dominant position which the department conferred upon United...has become a compelling factor in the decision to award United the new Chicago-Tokyo route," American said.

The ramifications of that flaw are far-reaching and alarming," American told DOT. "By applying this precedent, the department would make it virtually impossible for any carrier to obtain a Japan route coveted by United because United will always have the Tokyo hub and the extensive Pacific route system which DOT now considers to be a compelling reason to give United still more authority."

Moreover, the United-Pan Am route transaction announced on Oct. 23--by which United proposes to acquire five U. S. to London routes, the second of the world's most lucrative and restrictive international markets--underscores the importance of the DOT's flawed logic and emphasizes the importance of reconsidering Chicago-Tokyo. United now proposes to acquire, among other assets, Pan Am's routes between London's Heathrow Airport and five U. S. destinations--New York JFK, Washington Dulles, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Settle.

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TORRANCE, CALIF. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - After an intensive study of the feasibility of moving to another community out of state, Hughes Aircraft Co.'s Electron Dynamics Division has decided to remain in Torrance.

The division, which occupies more than a half-million square feet of space in its present facility on Lomita Boulevard, employs approximately 1,200 people. The 10-month relocation study was initiated in response to changes in economic conditions, including the downturn in defense spending, the need to remain cost competitive, overcapacity of the present facility, and a variety of incentives offered by other communities seeking new industry.

The decision to remain in Torrance was announced this morning by Hughes group vice president and division manager Ronald A. Forbess, first in a public address announcement and letter sent to all employees of the division and then at a press conference held at the Torrance City Hall.

In announcing the decision, Forbess stressed that even though they would not be moving, significant changes in "our way of doing business" would be taking place within the coming months. These will include a new "team approach" that will affect how each employee approaches his or her work and how they interact with each other, with customers and with suppliers.

"The answer to the business challenges we face," he said, "is to change how we do business, not where we do business." He cited the division's intention to build new partnerships as a key part of this change.

The Hughes Electron Dynamics Division is the nation's leading producer of traveling-wave tubes, which are the key amplifying element in the transmitters of many airborne radars and space communications systems.

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#90303p1384 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON, (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Baroid Corporation (NYSE: BRC), a leading worldwide supplier of petroleum services, today reported earnings from continuing operations for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 increased 33 percent and 58 percent, respectively, over the comparable 1989 periods. The separation of Baroid's petroleum services operations from the titanium metals and bentonite mining operations of Tremont Corporation was effective Oct. 29, 1990. Accordingly, Tremont's operations are reflected as discontinued operations for all periods presented. The results of continuing operations represent only Baroid's petroleum services operations.

For the third quarter of 1990, income from continuing operations was $5.5

million, or 8 cents per share, on net sales of $155.3 million compared to income from continuing operations of $4.1 million, or 7 cents per share, on net sales of $121.1 million for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported income from continuing operations of $12 million, or 17 cents per share, on net sales of $422.4 million, compared to $7.6 million, 13 cents per share, on net sales of $350.3 million in 1989.

Operating income improved 33 percent and 38 percent for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 compared to the respective periods in 1989. Significant improvements in operating income were reported by both Baroid Drilling Fluids and Sperry-Sun Drilling Services reflecting higher levels of worldwide drilling activity, continued world growth in measurement-while-drilling and very strong activity in horizontal drilling in North America. These significant improvements have been partially offset by excess costs in the oilfield equipment segment where the Shaffer division recorded a $2.2 million charge to operating income for additional product warranty expense, late delivery penalties, and cost overruns on specific projects.

The company reported net income of $11.6 million, or 16 cents per share, and $30.9 million, or 44 cents per share, for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990, including the results of Tremont Corporation as discontinued operations of $4.7 million and $15.3 million, respectively. Net income for the same periods includes $1.4 million and $3.6 million, respectively, of extraordinary items principally related to Tremont resulting from the utilization of tax loss carryforwards.

J. Landis Martin, chairman and CEO, stated, "We are pleased with the continued improvement in our operating results and believe our successful separation from Tremont Corporation provides an attractive pure petroleum services opportunity for investors."

CONTACT: Robert P. Wallace of Baroid, 713-987-5186

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#90303p1386 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS, (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) today announced the retirement of the president of McDonnell Aircraft Co. and named his successor. William S. Ross, president of McDonnell Aircraft (MCAIR), will retire on Dec. 31 after more than 35 years of service with McDonnell Douglas. Gerry Johnston, president of McDonnell Douglas Corp., will be temporarily assigned as the company's president until a more permanent president is named.

Johnston's assignment is expected to last from six to 12 months. During this period, he will continue as president of McDonnell Douglas, "but his first

priority will be to assure continuation of MCAIR's success," said John F. McDonnell, chairman and chief executive officer of McDonnell Douglas.

Ross, 64, joined McDonnell Aircraft in 1955 after 11 years as an Air Force pilot. He began his career as an experimental test pilot and was named the company's chief experimental test pilot in 1958. In 1960 Ross became chief test pilot and chief of flight operations for McDonnell Aircraft Co. In 1972 he was named vice president- laboratory and flight and a decade later rose to the position of vice president-general manager - F-15. He was promoted to executive vice president of McDonnell Aircraft in 1985 and was elected president of the company a year later.

Johnston, 59, has held a range of engineering and leadership positions during his 34 years with McDonnell Douglas, including 12 years at Douglas Aircraft Co. in Long Beach, Calif., and some 20 years with the McDonnell Douglas Astronautics Co. in Huntington Beach, Calif. He was vice president-general manager of McDonnell Douglas of Huntington Beach before being elected president of McDonnell Douglas in March 1988.

CONTACT: Barbara Anderson of McDonnell Douglas Corp., 314-233-2865

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DENVER (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Tremont Corporation (NYSE: TRE), a leading integrated producer of titanium metal products also engaged in bentonite mining operations, today reported net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $6.4 million, or 9 cents per share, on net sales of $57.4 and net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $18.5 million, or 25 cents per share, on net sales of $183.6 million.

Effective Oct. 29, 1990, the titanium metals and bentonite mining operations conducted by Tremont Corporation were separated from the petroleum services operations conducted by Baroid Corporation by means of a pro-rata reverse spin-off.

Tremont's principal operations are conducted through its subsidiary, Titanium Metals Corporation, which was consolidated effective Jan. 1, 1990, and, accordingly, the company's 1990 results are not comparable to those for 1989.

On a pro forma basis, titanium metals net sales increased $3.6 million, or 7 percent in the third quarter and $12.5 million, or 8 percent, in the 1990 nine-month period, reflecting increased selling prices and a higher value product mix offset in part by a decline in sales volume. There has been a softening of market demand for titanium products as end users are focusing on uncertainties surrounding military programs and their inventory positions. Bentonite mining sales increased due primarily to the timing of certain sales to the foundry market.

Consolidated operating income was $7.2 million in the third quarter of 1990, up slightly from 1989 pro forma results, while consolidated operating income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $28.8 million, up 22 percent compared to pro forma operating income of $23.7 million for the 1989 year-to-date period.

Extraordinary items relate to the income tax benefit of utilization of tax loss carryforwards.

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MESA, AZ (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Customer satisfaction is once again paying off for an Apache tribe that builds parts for the attack helicopter bearing its tribal name.

McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co. has awarded Apache Manufacturing Co. (AMCO) in Whiteriver, Ariz., a follow-on contract worth approximately $900,000 to build thermal insulation units for 222 AH-64 Apache attack helicopters. AMCO is owned and operated by the White Mountain Apache Tribe. The new contract covers all current U.S. Army and international Apache orders placed with the helicopter company.

AMCO also will take over production of all 32 configurations of nylon-covered Fiberglas insulation that go into each helicopter cockpit. Under previous contracts, AMCO supplied 50 percent of the units, with the other half produced at the helicopter company's Culver City, Calif., facility.

The materials will continue to be cut and kitted in Culver City until the helicopter company finds equipment that can be located in Whiteriver so AMCO can also handle that phase of production.

Gunn and White Mountain Apache Chairman Ronnie Lupe met today in Mesa to sign the latest contract.

"The relationship between McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) and AMCO has been a win-win situation for both parties," Gunn said. "We receive quality products, delivered on time. Meanwhile, the Apache tribe has been able to develop its expertise in manufacturing and provide employment opportunities on the reservation."

The Apache tribe created AMCO as its first manufacturing enterprise in 1988 after working with McDonnell Douglas to train tribal workers in such specialties as quality, inspection techniques, clerical skills, safety, blueprint reading, assembly methods and communications. Contracts to date

total almost $1.4 million.

McDonnell Douglas has been producing the advanced multi-mission helicopter in Mesa since 1983 and has delivered more than 600 Apaches to the U.S. Army. Production with current orders is scheduled through 1994.

CONTACT: Jennifer Phillips of McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co., 602-891-2491

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CHICAGO, (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - William A. Brandt Jr., as the trustee for Calumet Industries, Inc., and the Heritage Group today announced that on Oct. 25 they consummated the sale of substantially all of the assets of Calumet Industries, Inc. pursuant to an asset purchase agreement, dated Oct. 1.

The assets were sold for a purchase price of $21.5 million, subject to certain closing adjustments. The trustee was authorized to consummate the transactions contemplated by the purchase agreement by the Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois on Oct. 4.

CONTACT: William A. Brandt Jr. or Steven Victor of Development Specialists, 312-263-4141, for Calumet

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DETROIT (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Following a bargaining session lasting more than 27 hours, UAW President Owen Bieber and Vice-President Stan Marshall, who heads the union's Chrysler Department, announced that the union has reached a tentative agreement covering UAW-represented hourly and salaried workers at the Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C).

"We are delighted that we have achieved the pattern settlement for our members here at Chrysler," the UAW leaders said.

Noting that the union faced particular challenges in coming to terms on a new contract at Chrysler, Bieber and Marshall had "high praise for the extraordinary solidarity, discipline and tenacity displayed by the National Negotiating Committee and the entire UAW-Chrysler membership."

"We are confident that this agreement will provide three years of much-needed security for our members and retirees as well as the stability afforded by a committed, quality-conscious workforce for this corporation," they added.

Details of the contract are being withheld pending a meeting of the National Chrysler Council.

CONTACT: Frank Joyce of UAW, 313-926-5291

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - In early 1991, L.A. Gear will introduce a revolutionary new line of high technology shoes featuring outsoles, midsoles and inserts using a new an unique polyurethane technology. "L.A. Gear's new product innovation also represents an entirely new era in footwear technology " according to L.A. Gear President Robert Greenberg.

As a result, L.A. Gear Inc. has entered into an exclusive license with UTI Chemicals Inc. of Irvine, Calif., to use their patented manufacturing method and unique polyurethane compound, "Z-thane." The new technology will first be implemented on the company's new Catapult basketball shoe line featuring the "Power Feedback System" which will be produced next year. Initially, the outsole will be seen on the Catapult shoes, but L.A. Gear has future plans to use the technology on other shoes, as well.

Catapult will debut in an unprecedented, full-blown media campaign starring Utah Jazz power forward Karl "The Mailman" Malone during the Super Bowl game in January.

UTI's patented method and special polyurethane compound can produce outsoles in a vast array of vibrant hues; clearly a visual advantage that no other current technology offers. In addition, the polyurethane allows L.A. Gear to blend transparent outsoles and inserts with opaque colors, creating unique combinations that enable the consumer to see the Catapult technology in action.

L.A. Gear will manufacture the Catapult shoe's outsoles, midsoles and inserts in South Korea. L.A. Gear will be the only shoe company to use this superior technology.

Some advantages of this patented method and unique polyurethane material over current techniques are:

-- EQUIPMENT COSTS. Capital equipment investment is one-tenth that of rubber, so the payback is considerably faster.

-- WASTE MANAGEMENT. This technology controls waste to under 1 percent while rubber technology runs 5 percent to 15 percent.

-- REUSABLE MATERIAL. UTI's non-toxic products can be shredded and recycled for other applications while rubber is extremely difficult to dispose of without doing marked environmental harm.

-- STRENGTH AND DURABILITY. This innovative new urethane is literally four times stronger than the rubber used for automobile tires.

The patented process took over 10 years of dedicated research and development, according to UTI Chairman Richard Steinke. "UTI has several machines creating products in the marketplace today, including airless 'flatproof' tires and custom automotive parts. We are looking forward to working with L.A. Gear in their application of polyurethane first in the extraordinary Catapult line, and thereafter in other footwear lines."

Based in Los Angeles, L.A. Gear markets and designs fashion performance footwear, apparel and accessories. The company is currently the third largest footwear manufacturer in the nation.

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MANCHESTER, NH (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoskeag Bank Shares, Inc. (NASDAQ: AMKG), a multi-bank holding company, headquartered in Manchester, N.H., today reported a net loss of $20.9 million ($1.88 per share) for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The net loss for the third quarter of 1989 was $18.0 million ($1.62 per share). For the first nine months of 1990 the company recorded a net loss of $45.4 million compared to a net loss of $33.8 million for the same period in 1989.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $1.7 billion compared to $2.1 billion a year earlier, a 19 percent reduction as a result of the company's planned contraction of the balance sheet. During the same period, total deposits declined 11 percent from $1.6 billion to $1.5 billion. The primary capital ratio at Sept. 30, 1990 was 5.8 percent compared to 7.4 percent at Sept. 30, 1989.

Total non-performing assets increased 12 percent from $191 million at June 30, 1990 to $213 million at Sept. 30, 1990. The breakdown of the $213 million in non-performing assets includes $122 million in non-performing loans and leases $36 million in other real estate owned, $42 million of in-substance foreclosures and a non-performing investment in a joint venture of $13 million.

In the third quarter of 1990, a provision of $13.0 million was made to the allowance for loan and lease losses compared with $25.7 million for the third quarter of 1989. This brought the allowance for loan and lease losses for the third quarter of 1990 to $53 million compared to $49 million at Sept. 30, 1989. The allowance for loan and lease losses was 43 percent of non-performing loans and leases at Sept. 30, 1990. Net charge-offs for the third quarter were $9.1 million.

John L. Allen, president and CEO stated, "The continued impact of the non-performing assets has again affected our operating results primarily by

the need to sustain an adequate allowance for possible loan and lease losses. Primary capital at Sept. 30, 1990 was $105 million. We did resolve $15 million of our problem assets during the quarter, bringing the total resolutions so far this year to $27 million. Salary and benefit expense was reduced by 13 percent and the number of full-time equivalent employees declined 19 percent in the third quarter of 1990 compared to the same period in 1989. In the third quarter, we took a significant step to reduce long-term borrowings by prepaying a $25 million, 9 percent Promissory Note due in 1992 to insurance company lenders.

The uncertain resolution of the national budget deficit and the current recession in the New England economy continue to exacerbate the level and intensity of our problem loans. In spite of all the negative news, however, we remain focused on those areas over which we have control. These are difficult times and there is no quick turn-around in sight for the economy."

AMOSKEAG BANK SHARES INC.
FINANCIAL DATA
(Unaudited, In thousands except share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30			Nine Months Ended Sept. 30		
	1990	1989	Percent change	1990	1989	Percent Change
Net interest income (FTE)	$7,036	$12,381	(43)	$26,098	$45,124	(42)
Provision for loan and lease losses	12,991	25,698	(49)	32,256	65,488	(51)
Investment security gains	498	54	N.M.	854	564	51
Other income	11,911	12,509	(5)	36,000	34,890	3
Other expense	27,350	22,487	22	76,092	65,251	17
Loss before income tax benefit	(20,896)	(23,717)	N.M.	(45,396)	(51,852)	N.M.
Net loss	(20,896)	(17,957)	N.M.	(45,396)	(33,763)	N.M.
Loss per share	(1.88)	(1.62)	N.M.	(4.09)	(3.05)	N.M.
Net interest margin (FTE)	1.83 pct.	2.55 pct.	--	2.16 pct.	3.07 pct.	--

At Sept. 30 -- (Unaudited) (In millions, except per share data)

	1990	1989	Percent Change
Total assets	$1,745	$2,142	(19)
Total deposits	1,458	1,633	(11)
Total loans & leases	1,286	1,690	(24)
Allowance for loan & lease losses	53	49	8
Shareholders' equity	57	119	(52)
Non-performing loans and leases	122	114	7
Non-perfroming assets	213	122	74

Net charge-offs	32	36	(11)
Book value per share	5.10	10.72	(52)
Primary capital to asset ratio	5.84 pct.	7.41 pct.	--
Equity to asset ratio	3.25 pct.	5.55 pct.	-- ----

CONTACT: Edward B. Furber, senior vice president investor relations of Amoskeag Bank, 603-647-3583.

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PITTSBURGH (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The United Steelworkers of America (USW) said today that the corporate reconfiguration of USX (NYSE: X) will be an issue in contract negotiations now under way.

"This announcement raises questions which will be addressed in our negotations " said Andrew V. "Lefty" Palm, director of USW District 15 and chairman of the union's Negotiating Committee.

"We intend to protect our members fully, regardless of what corporate form U.S. Steel takes."

Palm would not comment further, citing a news blackout on negotiations imposed by both parties, but he did say the union would be addressing the matter in a letter to be mailed to USW members employed by USX.

The USW represents about 18,000 workers in 27 local unions at USX mining and steelmaking operations in the United States.

CONTACT: USW Communications Department, 412-562-2442

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DALLAS, (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the managing general partner of Diamond Shamrock Offshore Partners (NYSE: DSP) declared a quarterly distribution by DSP of 8 cents per unit. This cash distribution is payable Dec. 7, 1990 to unitholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

Consistent with the previously announced policy, the partnership will distribute on a quarterly basis substantially all distributable cash. For this purpose, distributable cash means net cash provided by operating activities and proceeds from sale of assets, less expenditures for oil and gas properties and equipment, including dry-hole costs, reserves for future operating and capital requirements and contingencies, and other partnership obligations.

DSP is the master limited partnership of Maxus Energy Corp. (NYSE: MXS), an independent exploration and production company based in Dallas.

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WESTBURY, NY (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Revenues of The Olsten Corporation (AMEX: OLS) rose to $157,455,000 in the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of six percent over the $148,363,000 recorded in the similar period a year ago, it was reported here today.

Net income for the current period amounted to $4,187,000, or 27 cents a share, compared to $5,413,000, or 35 cents a share, in the quarter ended Oct. 1, 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income totaled $12,272,000, equal to 79 cents per share, on revenues of $456,541,000. In the comparable period last year, net income was $14,163,000, or 92 cents a share, on revenues of $433,946,000.

Olsten, headquartered here, is a major supplier of temporary personnel to business, industrial and health care organizations through 545 offices in the United States and Canada.

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#90303p1418 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Merchant Marine Library Association will conduct a special national book drive to collect reading materials for the U.S. merchant mariners supplying Operation Desert Shield. The kick-off will be Nov. 5-9, 1990 on the main concourse of the World Trade Center, New York, where a receptacle will be placed to receive donations of hardcover and paperback books.

In addition, AMMLA is asking for donations to be mailed at library rate to its New York office at the World Trade Center.

The books are being collected for placement aboard U.S. flag ships for use by the officers and crew involved in the Middle East supply effort. The U.S. Navy's Military Sealift Command recently activated more than 70 merchant ships to provide support to U.S. Armed Forces in the Middle East operations. American merchant ships carry the goods and supplies to support the U.S. military in foreign locations.

AMMLA received its charter from the New York Board of Regents in 1921. It is the only "library" which provides reading materials for the crews of U.S. flag ships. Books are collected from publishers and the general public, and without this support there would be no "sea-going" libraries distributed to U.S. flag ships. Cartons containing approximately 50 assorted books are delivered to ships through a network of AMMLA Port Offices in Seattle, Oakland New Orleans, New York, Boston, and Sault Ste. Marie on the Great Lakes. AMMLA books are available to mariners in United Seamen's Service Centers in the international ports of Bremerhaven, Casablanca, Naples, Yokohama, Okinawa, Pusan, Inchon, Guam, Manila and Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean. Additionally, libraries are mailed to ship's crews through a direct mail service operated from AMMLA's New York headquarters.

In 1989, 455 U.S. Coast Guard, Military Sealift Command, Merchant and other U.S. flag ships received 1,149 libraries through the "Public Library of the High Seas." AMMLA accepts and distributes paperbacks and hardcover books year-round and inquiries can be made to: Jeannine Russel, AMMLA Coordinator, American Merchant Marine Library Association, 1 World Trade Center, Suite 1365 New York, N.Y. 10048, 212-775-1038.

CONTACT: Jeannine Russel of AMMLA, 212-775-1033, or Barbara Yeninas of BSY Associates, 201-226-8580, for AMMLA

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#90303p1420 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Duke Power Company (NYSE: DUK) today announced a quarterly cash dividend on common stock of 41 cents per share, payable on December 17, 1990, to shareholders of record on November 16, 1990. (Dividend figures have been adjusted to reflect the two-for-one split of the company's common stock declared by the Board of Directors on July 30, 1990.)

This is the 64th consecutive year that the utility has paid quarterly cash dividends on its common stock.

The utility's board of directors also announced that the company will be paying quarterly dividends on all of its preferred and preference stock on December 17 to shareholders of record on November 16.

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#90303p1422 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Silicon Graphics Inc. (NYSE: SGI) today extended its visual processing leadership position to the personal computer market with IRISVISION(TM), the first real-time 3D graphics board for

Intel-based personal computers. This is an aggressive move by Silicon Graphics to broaden its visual processing expertise to a new user community.

IRISVISION supports 8- and 24-bit color on MicroChannel and AT personal computers. The two-board set uses Silicon Graphics' IRIS Graphics Library(TM) (GL)(TM) software interface, which facilitates the development of high performance visual processing applications. IRISVISION will support MS-DOS(TM), SCO Open Desktop(TM) and Windows(TM) 3.0 operating systems.

"IRISVISION redefines and sets new standards for personal computer graphics," stated Edward R. McCracken, Silicon Graphics' president and CEO. "The real-time interactive capabilities available on IRISVISION will change the way people use PCs for design and animation. Along with our software partners, we are setting the direction for personal computer visual processing in the '90s."

IRISVISION provides new capabilities such as interactivity, 3D and color for the mechanical CAD, architectural and creative graphics markets. Over 20 PC and workstation software developers are writing applications for IRISVISION, including: AutoDesk, Bechtel Software, CADAM, CADKEY, CADSI, Comtran, Dynaware, Gimeor, IMAGICA, New Image, Paracomp, Pixar, SOFTIMAGE, Stephen Dedalus, Time Arts, Virtus, Virtual Prototypes and Wolfram Research.

Silicon Graphics is also announcing IRISView(TM), an AutoCAD R.11 ADI Driver and 3D file viewer, which allows AutoCAD users to render and manipulate DXF files interactively.

IRISVISION supports 1280 x 1024 and 1024 x 768 resolution, and offers VGA pass through. The suggested retail price for the AT version of IRISVISION/8 will be $3,495 and IRISVISION/24 will be $4,995. The suggested retail price for IRISVISION/8 for MicroChannel will be $3,995. These introductory prices include a 24-bit z-buffer at no additional charge.

Silicon Graphics Inc. is the leading manufacturer of high performance graphics systems, servers and software for visual processing applications. The company's products, which range from advanced project supercomputers to low-end desktop models and PC graphics subsystems, are used by engineers, scientists and creative professionals in design, analysis, manufacturing and simulation.

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#90303p1424 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Quotron Systems Inc., a leading provider of global financial information services, announced today the appointment of

William J. Barnicle to vice president, sales and marketing, and James M. Marvin to director, North American sales.

In his new position reporting to Kenneth A. Hines, vice president, Barnicle will be responsible for directing the global sales and marketing effort for Quotron F/X Trader, Quotron's foreign exchange dealing system for global interbank market.

Reporting to Barnicle, James Marvin will be responsible for directing the sales effort for the Quotron F/X Trader system in North America.

Quotron noted that both Barnicle and Marvin were formerly with Reuters in North America and have extensive experience in the financial information services industry and the systems needed to support it.

Designed with the help of foreign exchange traders from the world's largest financial institutions, Quotron F/X Trader provides traders with the ability to manage up to six simultaneous trading conversations, all on one screen. Color-coded conversation "panels" within the screen and easily recognizable graphic symbols provide the exact status of each conversation. Quotron F/X Trader has been in commercial release since Sept. 4, 1990, with 53 banks currently trading in New York, London, Singapore, Tokyo and Hong Kong. The product is scheduled for commercial release in Frankfurt, Zurich and Paris in mid-November.

Quotron Systems Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Citicorp (NYSE: CCI), delivers real-time prices for more than 120,000 investment instruments through an international network of more than 100,000 terminals in 23 countries.

CONTACT: Roxanne Taylor of Quotron Systems Inc., 213-302-4609

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#90303p1427 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL, (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Repap Enterprises Inc. announced today results for the third quarter and nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 amounted to $921 million, a 6 percent increase over 1989. Net income was 82 percent lower at $12.2 million compared to $66.4 million in the 1989 period. Cash flow from operations at $92.0 million was 46 percent lower compared to 1989.

Third quarter earnings amounted to $4.5 million ($0.08 per share) compared to $4.2 million in the second quarter of 1990 and $19.6 million for the third quarter of 1989. Cash from operations was $26.6 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $54.0 million in 1989.

Repap Enterprises Inc. is an integrated North American paper company with a

capacity of 972,000 short tons per year of coated paper, 160,000 short tons per year of kraft paper capacity and three kraft pulp mills with an effective annual capacity of 800,000 metric tons. Internal kraft pulp consumption amounts to 500,000 metric tons per year resulting in a net market position of 300,000 metric tons per year. Repap now achieved one of its major strategic objectives of reducing the company's dependence on the more volatile market pulp segment of the Forest Products industry.

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#90303p1432 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTOWN, PA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - SPS Technologies (NYSE: ST) today reported a third quarter loss from continuing operations of $1.8 million, or $.35 per share, on sales of $107.7 million.

This compares to earnings of $4.4 million, or $.88 per share, on sales of $102.6 million a year ago.

A charge of $1.5 million, or $.30 per share, was reported for discontinued operations during the quarter. This represents the anticipated loss on a note received in connection with the company's sale in December 1987 of its Hallowell product line, which was part of the materials handling segment discontinued in 1988. After the loss from discontinued operations, the net loss for the quarter was $3.3 million, or $.65 per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, earnings from continuing operations were $1.3 million, or $.25 per share. Sales for the period totaled $327.7 million. After the loss from discontinued operations, the net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $224,000 or $.05 per share. This compares to earnings of $13.5 million, or $2.70 per share, on sales of $323.4 million for the sale period a year ago.

Incoming orders for the third quarter were $105.9 million, compared to the prior year's level of $112.1 million. Backlog at Sept. 30, 1990, was $143.4 million, compared to the backlog of $136.2 million at the end of the third quarter of 1989.

Higher shipments for the quarter and nine months from the fastener segment were partially offset by reduced shipments from the materials segment. Fastener shipments to the transportation and aerospace markets increased significantly, while shipments to the machine tool and industrial machinery markets increased slightly for the quarter and declined for the nine-month period. Shipments of magnetic materials and superalloys declined because of weak demand from industrial and commercial end users.

Contributing to the decline in profitability for the quarter was a loss

recorded by the company's Brazilian affiliate, Metalac S.A. Industria e Comercio, in which it holds a 46 percent ownership interest.

Margins in the industrial fastener business serving the automotive, machine tool and industrial machinery markets were significantly weaker than expected, primarily as the result of cost escalation coupled with competitive pricing pressure. Also affecting margins in this area was a one-time cost associated with the reduction of work force at one of the company's United Kingdom plants.

Materials margins, principally in the magnetic products business, softened as a result of weak demand in the automotive, military, communications and computer equipment markets.

Foreign exchange losses increased by $597,000 in the third quarter compared to a year ago, and by $864,000 in the nine-month period, as a result of significant currency fluctuations during the third quarter of this year.

While price increases and improved operating performance by the Aerospace Products Division provided the division with better third quarter margins than a year ago, the improvement was not sufficient to offset reduced profitability in other areas.

John R. Selby, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "Many of our markets have been adversely affected by slowing economic conditions, creating an uncertain outlook for the future. Based on the record strength in demand for commercial aircraft, together with the financial strength of the company, we are encouraged and believe that in 1991 the company can demonstrate a marked improvement in earnings performance. At the same time, it must be noted that numerous factors exist that could negatively affect the economies in which we conduct business to an extent now unforeseen."

CONTACT: Peter Lawton of SPS Technologies, 215-860-3038

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#90303p1435 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH WINDSOR, CT. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Gerber Scientific, Inc. (NYSE: GRB), today declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.05 per share, to be paid Nov. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 15, 1990.

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#90303p1438 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Comair Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: COMR), the parent corporation of Comair, Inc., the Cincinnati and Orlando based "Delta Connection" airline, reported second quarter net income of $2.4 million

on revenues of $47.8 million. Earnings for the first six months of fiscal 1991 were $7.5 million, or $.92 per share.

The Comair Holdings, Inc. board of directors also declared a $.10 per share cash dividend for shareholders of record on Nov. 9, 1990 payable Nov. 21, 1990.

Comparable second quarter and six month results are as follows (in 000's):

	Second Quarter Ended September 30	
	1990	1989
Passenger revenues	$44,658	$34,545
Other revenues	3,165	1,362
Total revenues	47,823	35,907
Operating costs	43,149	31,977
Operating income	4,674	3,930
Net nonoperating income (expense)	(538)	533
Income before income taxes	4,136	4,463
Income taxes	1,696	1,830
Net income	2,440	2,633
Weighted average number of shares	8,134	8,145
Net income per share	$.30	$.32
Dividends paid per share	$.10	$.08
Operating Statistics:		
Passengers	483,636	392,509
ASMs (000s)	233,211	156,119
RPMs (000s)	100,748	74,018
Load factor	43.2 pct	47.4 pct
Breakeven Load Factor	39.4 pct	42.4 pct
Yield (cents)	44.3	46.7
Cost per ASM (cents)	17.6	20.1

	Six Months Ended September 30	
	1990	1989
Passenger revenues	$92,092	$71,575
Other revenues	5,741	2,576
Total revenues	97,833	74,151
Operating costs	84,851	63,615
Operating income	12,982	10,536
Net nonoperating income (expense)	(261)	1,059
Income before income taxes	12,721	11,595
Income taxes	5,219	4,755
Net income	7,502	6,840
Weighted average number of shares	8,140	8,143
Net income per share	$.92	$.84
Dividends paid per share	$.20	$.16
Operating Statistics:		
Passengers	960,314	786,922

ASMs (000s)	458,230	309,916
RPMs (000s)	198,610	148,523
Load factor	43.3 pct	47.9 pct
Breakeven Load Factor	37.8 pct	41.2 pct
Yield (cents)	46.4	48.2
Cost per ASM (cents)	17.7	20.1

CONTACT: Gloria M. Weber of Comair Holdings, Inc., 606-525-2550

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#90303p1445 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Comair Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: COMR), the parent corporation of Comair, the Cincinnati based "Delta Connection" airline, today announced the appointment of David A. Siebenburgen as president of the company. In addition to his duties as president, Siebenburgen will maintain his position as chief operating officer. David R. Mueller will continue as chairman and chief executive officer.

Siebenburgen joined Comair in March of 1984 as vice president of finance and chief financial officer. He was appointed to executive vice president, chief operating officer and chief financial officer in 1986 and served on the board of directors since 1988.

In addition, the company announced that Randy D. Rademacher was appointed chief financial officer, assuming the duties of Siebenburgen in this capacity. Rademacher will maintain his position as vice president of finance. Rademacher joined the company as director of corporate finance in 1985, was named controller in 1986 and vice president of finance in 1989.

David R. Mueller, chairman and CEO, stated "We are extremely pleased to announce these new appointments. Siebenburgen has been directing the company as chief operating officer and has served on the board for the past several years. We have every confidence that he will continue to demonstrate the outstanding qualities he has shown in the past. It is critical that these positions be held by outstanding people. We believe that our company has appointed two individuals that can guide us into the future with the leadership we will require."

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#90303p1446 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

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WARREN, OH (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - CSC Industries, Inc. reported its financial results for the third quarter of 1990 today. Net sales of $46,193,000 increased 8 percent from last year's third quarter level of $42,911,000. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales were $152,971,000, or 13 percent higher than the sales in the first nine months of 1989 of $135,929,000.

For the third quarter a net loss of $5,556,000, or 64 cents per share, was reported as compared to last year's third quarter net loss of $8,716,000, or $1.01 per share.

For the first nine months of 1990, a net loss of $16,605,000, or $1.92 per share, was reported as compared to a net loss of $9,679,000, or $1.12 per share, reported for the first nine months of 1989. The net loss in 1989 was reduced by an extraordinary gain of $8,240,000, or 95 cents per share, on the restructuring of the $20 million note due Copperweld Corporation.

Lawrence Weeks, president and chief executive officer, said, "The steel market remains very competitive: Copperweld Steel's $23 million capital improvement project on its 12 inch mill will be complete in December of 1990, and this key

project will result in lower manufacturing cost, but, most importantly, will greatly improve surface quality and dimension control on the products rolled on this mill.

"Installation of additional quality enhancing non-destructive testing and finishing facilities will further improve CSC Industries' opportunities to improve earnings."

CONTACT: W. Lawrence Weeks of CSC Industries, 216-841-6500

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#90303p1449 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALMDALE, CALIF. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Lockheed team's second YF-22 Advanced Tactical Fighter prototype has completed its first test flight. With Lockheed test pilot Thomas Morgenfeld at the controls the aircraft reached an altitude of 10,000 feet and a speed of 240 knots.

Powered by a pair of Pratt & Whitney F119 engines, the new YF-22 took off from Lockheed's Palmdale production facility and landed at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., 14 minutes later after performing a variety of aircraft systems checks.

Lockheed's first YF-22 prototype equipped with General Electric YF120 engines, made its maiden flight Sept. 29 with Lockheed test pilot Dave Ferguson at the controls. The two aircraft are now involved in a rigorous flight test program that will continue into December.

Lockheed's YF-22 represents one of two proposed designs under consideration in the U.S. Air Force's Advanced Tactical Fighter competition. In 1991 the Air Force will select one design to go into full scale development. Lockheed is teamed with Boeing and General Dynamics.

CONTACT: Richard Stadler of Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Co., 818-847-6815

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#90303p1453 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - At a special meeting of stockholders held on Oct. 30, 1990, stockholders approved a plan of merger whereby ISS International Service System, Inc. became a wholly owned subsidiary of ISS International Service System A/S. The Danish parent company already held 66.5 percent of the company's common stock.

The merger plan calls for each share held by public stockholders to be converted into the right to receive $12.00 in cash. The vote in favor of the plan by unaffiliated stockholders was 94.2 percent; the overall vote in favor was 98.5 percent. The merger is effective Oct. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Robert E. Atkins Jr., senior vice president, secretary and general counsel of ISS International Service System, 212-382-9800

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#90303p1458 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

JERSEY CITY, N.J. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Block Drug Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: BLOCA) today declared an increased cash dividend to 20 cents per share (from $.175) on the Class A common stock, and an extra Class A common stock dividend of 3 percent on both the Class A and Class B common stock. The cash and stock dividends are payable on Jan. 2, 1991 to stockholders of record as of Dec. 3, 1990. In lieu of fractional shares resulting from the stock dividend, payment will be made in cash.

Block also reported sales for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased by 17.2 percent to $129,689,000 from $110,699,000 for the same period in 1989. Net earnings after taxes were 76 cents per share compared with 64 cents per share earned a year ago.

Sales for the first six months were $248,583,000, an increase of 15.1 percent over the same period last year. Net earnings for the half year were $25,953,000, or earnings per share of $1.48 compared to $1.28 for the first six months of 1989.

BLOCK DRUG COMPANY, INC.

Preliminary Consolidated Statements of Income (A)

Periods ended:	Six months		Quarter	
Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$248,583,000	$215,948,000	$129,689,000	$110,699,000
Inc. bef. prov. for taxes	33,145,000	28,561,000	16,956,000	14,344,000
Net income	25,953,000	22,535,000	13,293,000	11,275,000
Avg. no. of shares outstdg.	17,533,888	17,584,282(B)	17,473,249	17,585,640(B)
Net income per share	$1.48	$1.28 (B)	$.76	$.64 (B)

(A) -- Unaudited (B) -- Restated for 3 percent stock dividend declared October 1989.

CONTACT: Melvin Kopp, vice president and controller of Block Drug Company, 201-434-3000

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#90303p1461 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Flexible Bond Trust, Inc. (AMEX: FLX), a

closed-end management investment company seeking total return through investments in income-producing securities with the potential for capital appreciation, today announced that the fund's boards of directors has declared a dividend of $0.08 per share from net investment income. The dividend is payable on Nov. 23, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 9, 1990. The ex-dividend date is Nov. 5, 1990.

CONTACT: Frank Maresca of Flexible Bond Trust, 212-713-2421

-30- 708

#90303p1469 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Pyramid Technology Corp. (NASDAQ: PYRD) today reported record revenues for its fiscal 1990 fourth quarter of $55,694,000, an increase of 82 percent over the $30,531,000 reported for the like quarter last year. Income before income taxes for the quarter rose by 98 percent to $7,567,000 from the $3,818,000 recorded in last year's fourth quarter. The company also posted record net income for the fourth quarter of $5,323,000, or $.46 per share, compared to net income of $2,750,000, or $.31 per share, reported for the comparable period in fiscal 1989.

Revenues and net income for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 were also at record levels. Revenues advanced by 73 percent to $179,728,000 from the fiscal 1989 revenues of $103,875,000. During the like period, income before income taxes jumped by 110 percent to $24,401,000 from $11,618,000. Net income for fiscal 1990 was $16,835,000, or $1.61 per share, compared to $8,365,000, or $.96 per share, for fiscal 1989.

"I am pleased to report another successful quarter culminating an excellent fiscal year for the company," said Richard H. Lussier, chairman, president and chief executive officer. "Sales in the United States were strong in the quarter, particularly to AT&T. Furthermore, we experienced encouraging growth in our federal business unit during the quarter. As we look forward to fiscal 1991, it is also reassuring to begin the year with almost $42 million of cash and essentially no long-term debt."

Founded in 1981, Pyramid Technology Corp. designs, manufactures, markets and services a family of high-performance, high-reliability servers for open commercial, computing environments. Based on the UNIX operating system, Pyramid products offer mainframe-class performance through a symmetric multiprocessing architecture incorporating the principles of reduced instruction set computing (RISC).

CONTACT: Kent Robertson of Pyramid, 415-965-7200

-30- 2181

#90303p1470 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES, (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Charles P. Cooley has been appointed controller of ARCO Products Co., it was announced by APC president George H. Babikian.

APC is the refining and marketing division of Los Angeles-based ARCO. Cooley, 35, had been serving as manager of ARCO's corporate finance department. He succeeds Robert E. Tolbert who became vice president for APC planning and control.

A native of Hartford, Conn., Cooley joined ARCO in 1983 as a financial analyst at the company's headquarters. He has held positions of increasing responsibility, including assistant controller of Prestige Stations Inc., ARCO's wholly owned subsidiary that operates a number of ARCO retail gasoline outlets and am/pm mini markets. From 1978 to 1981, he was a loan officer in the New York office of Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co.

Cooley received a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy from Yale College and a master of business administration from the Amos Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College. He and his wife, Lucy, have one daughter.

CONTACT: Douglas Elmets of ARCO, 213-486-3181

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#90303p1473 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Polaroid's trendy Cool Cam, the instant camera for fashion-minded youngsters, has taken on a bold new look for the holiday season. Now, the Cool Cam is as bright and colorful as the instant photos it takes.

Polaroid is introducing a neon Cool Cam - its latest instant camera, featuring a striking color combination of hot pink and bright yellow for young-minded photographers who want an instant camera that fits their '90s lifestyle.

The latest Cool Cam, styled especially for the 9-to-14-year-old set, is also available in more traditonal two-tone colors - pastel pink and grey or hot red and black. Cool Cam was the first Polaroid camera created specifically for "tweens," the demographic name given to pre- and early teenagers.

Cool Cam uses Polaroid 600 Plus film to deliver bright, sharp and colorful instant photos. At the touch of the shutter button, Cool Cam offers all the sophisticated features that make instant photography easy and hassle-free.

Cool Cam features built-in electronic flash, a pre-focused lens for frame filling portraits taken at four feet or pictures taken from longer distances. Other Cool Cam features include lighten/darken exposure control, red (flash charging) and green (flash ready) light indicators, picture counter and

matching nylon cord neckstrap for easy carrying.

The new neon Polaroid Cool Cam is a great holiday gift idea for all children 9-years and older. The neon Cool Cam is available at major department, discount, drug and toy stores. The suggested list price for the new neon Cool Cam is $49.99.

Polaroid Corporation (NYSE: PRD), with sales of nearly $2 billion, is the worldwide leader in high-quality instant imaging. The company supplies instant photographic cameras and film; and conventional and electronic visual communication products to the consumer, business, industrial and scientific markets.

CONTACT: Gregory R. Venne, 617-577-2863 or Michael J. Spataro, 617-577-2455 both of Polaroid Corp.

-30- 2208

#90303p1474 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MASS. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Instrument Systems Inc. (AMEX: THI) today reported revenues of $79.9 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, up 70 percent from $47 million for the comparable period in 1989. Net income for the quarter nearly doubled to $4.9 million, from $2.5 million a year ago. Earnings per share were 19 cents, compared with 11 cents last year, on a 20 percent increase in average shares outstanding due principally to conversions of the company's debentures into common stock.

For the first nine months of the year, revenues rose 43 percent to $193.1 million, compared with $135.2 million last year. Net income was $13.8 million up 53 percent from $9 million in 1989. Earnings per share were 54 cents, compared with 44 cents a year ago, on a 24 percent increase in average shares outstanding.

Arvin H. Smith, president and chief executive officer, said, "The strong growth in earnings is a result of our longtime emphasis on environmental monitoring and analytical instruments, improved performance in our environmental services segment, and the first full quarter of contributions from our Finnigan Corporation subsidiary. We are well on our way to a fifth consecutive record year."

Thermo Instrument Systems develops, manufactures and markets analytical instruments used to detect and monitor air pollution, radioactivity, complex chemical compounds, and toxic metals and other elements in a broad range of liquids and solids. The company also provides environmental science and engineering services, laboratory-based testing, and nuclear health physics services. Thermo Instrument Systems is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC.

Financial Highlights

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	9/29/90	9/30/89(a)	9/29/90	9/30/89(a)
Revenues	$79,927,000	$46,995,000	$193,124,000	$135,151,000
Income before provision for taxes	8,485,000	4,306,000	23,212,000	15,294,000
Net income	4,921,000	2,472,000	13,757,000	8,982,000
Earnings per share	19 cents	11 cents	54 cents	44 cents
Weighted average shares	26,129,000	21,767,000	25,412,000	20,519,000

NOTE: (a)-The Sept. 30, 1989 financial highlights have been restated to reflect the Jan. 17, 1990, merger of Thermo Instrument Systems Inc. and Thermo Environmental Corporation.

CONTACT: John N. Hatsopoulos of Thermo Instrument Systems Inc., 617-622-1111

-30- 2818

#90303p1480 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVERPOOL, N.Y. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Henry A. Panasci, Jr., chairman of the board of Fay's Incorporated (NYSE: FAY) reported today that Lawrence J. Rose has resigned as president and chief operating officer of the company and as a director of the company. Rose is leaving his position at Fay's to pursue other business and personal interests. Rose joined Fay's in 1987. In addition to his duties as chairman of the board and chief executive officer, Panasci will assume Rose's duties as chief operating officer until a successor to Rose has been named.

Panasci stated, "I have accepted the resignation of Mr. Rose with regret. His contributions to Fay's during his tenure as president were significant."

Fay's currently operates 190 drug stores in the states of New York and Pennsylvania, together with 26 Wheels Discount Auto Supply Stores in the state of New York and 25 Paper Cutter stores in the states of New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

CONTACT: Henry A. Panasci, Jr., chairman of the board of Fay's Incorporated, 315-451-8000

-30- 1220

#90303p1486 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Delmarva Power & Light Co. (NYSE: DEW) today reported that earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $32.92 million or 69 cents per share, compared with $34.31 million or 74 cents per share for the same period a year earlier.

The decline in earnings resulted from subsidiary losses, according to Nevius M. Curtis, chairman of the board of directors.

CONTACT: Wallace C. Judd Jr. of Delmarva Power & Light, 302-429-3595

-30- 619

#90303p1489 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, Okla. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Lowrance Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ: LEIX) today reported record sales of $60,713,000 for the year ended July 31, 1990, up 12 percent from $54,001,000 in sales during the previous year. Net income was $262,000, or 8 cents per share, compared to net income of $250,000, or 7 cents a share, last year.

Darrell Lowrance, president of the company, termed the year-end results "significant in that our company successfully increased sales and market share despite difficult market conditions, but disappointing in that our net income was below expected levels." He cited a sharp drop-off in fourth quarter sales and a deterioration of fourth quarter margins resulting from reduced production and unbudgeted manufacturing rework costs as important factors contributing to the company's lower than expected profit.

Lowrance pointed out that based on industry statistics, factory shipments of new boats decreased 40 percent during the past two model years, and accordingly, unit sales for sonar and Loran-C products in the United States continued their downward trend through model year 1990. In view of the significant decline in recreational boat sales and unsold boat inventories, Lowrance considered the company's strategy during fiscal 1990 of increasing sales and market share a success because the company increased its unit sales by 6 percent.

He further emphasized that, "our sales and marketing efforts continue to pay off as additional dealers for the Lowrance and Eagle product lines expand and strengthen our retail base. We are encouraged by the enthusiastic response to our 1991 Eagle and Lowrance product lines, particularly our three new Eagle models, the Magna, Magna Plus and Ultra-Nav, and our three new Lowrance models the X-25, LMS-150 and 3500 digital. While we are pleased with our current backlog of orders in excess of $16 million, our present backlog is $4 million less than last year at this time.

"The outlook for sales of the company's products next year is clouded by the continuing decline in new recreational boat sales, and unrest in the Persian gulf and its adverse impact on the U.S. economy. A reduction in consumer spending appears likely, and our company is attempting to counter this negative economic news through cost reductions, except in research and development, and the introduction of several new lower priced models in an effort to maintain our market momentum. While the outlook for the economy and

the recreational boating industry is not sanguine, the company remains committed to continued profitability and we remain encouraged by our ongoing prospect for continued growth in market dominance," concluded Lowrance.

Lowrance Electronics Inc. manufactures sonar and navigational instruments and accessories for sport fishing and recreational boating markets under the brand names "Lowrance" and "Eagle." The company's common stock is listed on the National Market and trades in the Over-the-Counter Market under the NASDAQ symbol LEIX.

CONTACT: Graham Wilson of Lowrance Electronics Inc., 800-331-4105

-30- 3306

#90303p1494 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Dain Bosworth Incorporated and Robert W. Baird & Co., as co-managers, announced today the public offering of 625,000 shares of common stock of Bando McGlocklin Capital Corporation at $8.00 per share. The offering consists entirely of newly issued primary shares. The company has granted the underwriters an option for up to 30 days to purchase up to an additional 93,750 shares of common stock solely for the purpose of covering over-allotments.

Proceeds to the company from the sale of its shares will be used to reduce outstanding lines of credit and commercial paper. Bando McGlocklin will make additional secured loans to small businesses with the increase in available funds.

Bando McGlocklin, headquartered in Brookfield, WI, provides secured financing to small businesses, and is a federal licensee under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958.

CONTACT: Dawn Hyde of Dain Bosworth, 612-371-7848

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#90303p1495 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, ARIZ. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Del Webb Corp. (NYSE: WBB) today reported first quarter net income of $2.4 million, or 26 cents per share, on revenues of $48.8 million, compared to net income of $3.8 million, or 35 cents per share, on revenues of $54.6 million during the same period in 1989.

In May, the company changed its fiscal year-end from Dec. 31 to June 30 to more closely coincide with its business cycle. As a result, all comparisons are against the Sept. 30, 1989 quarter.

Philip J. Dion, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said the quarter's results were in line with expectations. "In late 1989 we

experienced a surge of closings at Sun City Las Vegas as we began to deliver the high volume of homes that were sold earlier in the year. That resulted in higher than expected earnings and we are now at a more sustainable level," he said.

During the quarter, Webb delivered 368 homes, compared to 422 during the same period last year. The decrease is partially attributable to a delivery problem with a previous supplier which delayed the closing of a number of homes during the quarter.

Sales at Webb's Sun Cities in Phoenix, Tucson, Ariz., and Las Vegas, Nev., improved during the quarter as 364 sales were recorded, compared to 324 during the same period in 1989. "Sales in Tucson were up more than 100 percent and Las Vegas posted a sales increase despite strong numbers from a year ago," Dion said.

The company's backlog of homes under contract but not yet delivered remained strong and virtually unchanged during the quarter. Total backlog at the three communities was 1,018 at the end of the quarter, compared to 1,017 a year ago. "I'm encouraged by the consistency of these numbers and that the backlog is more evenly distributed among our communities. This is a positive sign because backlog is indicative of near term revenues and earnings," Dion said.

During the quarter, the company purchased 70,000 shares of its common stock, and in October, purchased another 70,700 shares, all at an average price of $5.31 per share. The company also repurchased approximately $2.5 million of its convertible debentures at current market prices, resulting in a pre-tax gain of $472,000.

At a board meeting Oct. 30, the Del Webb Corp. board of directors declared a five cent per common share first quarter dividend payable Dec. 3, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 9, 1990.

CONTACT: Ken Plonski, 602-468-6871 (office) or 602-972-1210 (home), or Ed Wren 602-468-6873 (office) or 602-957-9159 (home), of Del Webb Corp.

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#90303p1496 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - AM Diagnostics, Inc. today announced results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. As previously announced, American Monitor Corporation closed its Sixth Amended Plan of Reorganization effective Sept. 17, 1990. At that time, American Monitor reorganized, recapitalized and began operating under the new name of AM Diagnostics, Inc.

Revenues decreased during 1990 primarily due to customers' perceptions of uncertainty in relation to the reorganization. The lack of working capital

also limited the company's ability to effectively convert its backlog of orders into sales.

"The reorganization of AM Diagnostics has been largely driven by customers' acceptance of AM Diagnostics' new and improved analyzers which will facilitate our ability to fill our $5 million backlog of orders," said Michael J. Treble, chief executive officer of AM Diagnostics. "The turnaround of AM Diagnostics continues and management believes that the most difficult tasks of the reorganization have been accomplished."

AM DIAGNOSTICS, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)(a)
(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

	For the Quarter Ended June 30		For the Year Ended June 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$4,820	$6,322	$21,910	$25,983
Net loss	($2,905)	($1,120)	($7,956)	($4,645)
Net loss per share of common stock	($0.35)	($0.13)	($0.96)	($0.56)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	8,350	8,350	8,350	8,350

(a) -- The company's consolidated financial statements for the fiscal years ended June 30, 1990 and 1989 were not audited by independent public accountants due to limited financial resources.

Pursuant to the Plan, independent audits of the company's financial statements are not required from July 1, 1988, until the Effective Date of the Plan.

AM Diagnostics, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets superior diagnostic systems to the high-volume niche of the clinical diagnostics marketplace for clinical chemistry, therapeutic drug monitoring and immunoassays serving large hospitals and private clinical laboratories worldwide.

CONTACT: Mark J. Maten, 317-872-0300, or Yvonne L. Bova, 313-873-0200, both of AM Diagnostics, Inc.

-30- 2735
#90303p1501 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Consul Restaurant Corporation (NASDAQ: CNSL), the largest franchisee of Chi-Chi's Mexican restaurants, today announced it will exercise its option to pay in common stock the Nov. 1, 1990, semiannual interest installment on its 13 percent senior subordinated debentures, due Nov. 1, 1992. The company, which has paid the installments

in stock since May 1987, estimates 843,000 shares will be issued.

Consul operates 51 Chi-Chi's Mexican restaurants and one Magnolia's seafood dinner house in the Upper Midwest and Canada and also provides foodservice management to several major corporations.

CONTACT: Robert A. Lamp of Consul Restaurant Corporation, 612-851-3333; or John Beardsley, Padilla Speer Beardsley, 612-871-8877, or in New York, 212-752-8338

-30- 968

#90303p1503 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Northern Trust Corp. (NASDAQ: NTRS), parent of The Northern Trust Co. and of Northern Trust of California N.A., today announced the signing of a definitive agreement to acquire Tri-Valley National Bank in Dublin, Calif. (in the San Francisco area). Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

Tri-Valley National Bank, a wholly owned subsidiary of SJNB Financial Corp., was organized in 1983 and as of Sept. 30, 1990, had banking assets of approximately $12 million.

"With the change in California law in January 1991, we intend to merge Tri-Valley National Bank with Northern Trust of California N.A. The new entity will offer a full range of private banking services in addition to asset management and trust services," said David W. Fox, chairman, Northern Trust Corp.

"Northern Trust of California N.A. now administers trust assets in excess of $1.2 billion from offices in Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Newport Beach and San Diego," said Alison A. Winter, president, Northern Trust of California N.A.

The acquisition of Tri-Valley is subject to receipt of approval from the comptroller of the currency.

CONTACT: Alison Winter, of Northern Trust of California N.A., 213-612-8800, or James McDermott, president & CEO, SJNB Financial Corp., 408-947-7562

-30- 1506

#90303p1510 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHREVEPORT, LA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Arkla Exploration Co. (NYSE: ARK) today reported a decline in third quarter net income related tocontinued weak wellhead pricing for natural gas. However, as a result of increased production volumes, the company again showed an increase in cash flow for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, compared to the same period last year.

The company posted third quarter consolidated net income of $1.2 million, or four cents per share, compared to $2.9 million, or nine cents per share in 1989, based on the same number of average shares outstanding. Year-to-date income was $5.3 million, or 16 cents per share, compared to $9.8 million, or 30 cents a share in 1989, based on the same number of shares.

Meanwhile, net cash flow from operations (before net changes in working capital) for the third quarter of 1990 increased 12.7 percent to $18.1 million from $16.0 million in the third quarter of 1989. For the year-to-date period, net cash flow increased 21.6 percent to $57.7 million, up from $47.5 million for the first nine months of 1989.

This is the third consecutive quarter in which Arkla Exploration reported an increase in cash flow since undergoing an initial public offering of stock in December 1989.

Carl S. Quinn, chairman and chief executive officer of Arkla Exploration, attributed the reduction in net income to continued weak wellhead prices for gas in the third quarter--despite the current rise in oil prices--and higher depletion and depreciation expenses.

"However," Quinn added, "as a result of new contractual arrangements and the firming of October spot gas prices, Arkla Exploration's average sales prices are anticipated to improve in the fourth quarter."

In addition, continuing a trend from the first and second quarters, Quinn said the drop in operating income was also partially offset by additional tax credits gained on increased production of "tight sands" natural gas.

Total sales volumes for the company increased to 21.1 billion cubic feet of natural gas equivalent (Bcfe) in the third quarter of this year, which represents an 8.1 percent rise over the 19.6 Bcfe sold in the third quarter of 1989.

Year-to-date sales volumes were also up 13.9 percent to a total of 66.2 Bcfe in the first nine months of this year, compared to 58.1 Bcfe for the same period a year ago.

During the third quarter of 1990, the average sales price for natural gas equivalent fell to $1.67 per thousand cubic feet equivalent (Mcfe), down from $1.84 per Mcfe in 1989, and for the year-to-date 1990 was $1.75 per Mcfe, down from $1.84 per Mcfe last year.

In making this announcement, Quinn also reported that at their regular meeting on Oct. 25, the board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 5 cents per share payable on Dec. 14, 1990 to all shareholders of record as of Nov. 23 1990.

Arkla Exploration is one of the nation's largest independent gas and oil operators in terms of proved natural gas reserves, with more than 800 Bcfe of reserves. The company is actively engaged in the onshore exploration, development, production and marketing of natural gas and crude oil in the Mid Continent and Gulf Coast regions of the United States.

Arkla Exploration is a publicly-held company, and is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "ARK."

CONTACT: Elvis Thornton, 318-429-2909; or Lou Resweber, 713-623-5033, both of Arkla Exploration Co.

-30- 3663

#90303p1513 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA, (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Raymond Broderick, U.S. District Court judge, today approved the settlement of a class action brought by investors against SmithKline Beckman Corp. and certain of the officers and directors in the amount of $22 million.

The settlement culminates more than two years of litigation involving claims by the investors that SmithKline would be able to sustain the earnings growth previously generated by its two principal products, Dyazide and Tagamet. In essence, the plaintiffs alleged SmithKline had represented to the investing public that its record growth was likely to continue when, in fact, the opposite was the case. No decision was ever reached by the court with respect to the validity of the investors' claims.

According to the plaintiffs' lead counsel, Richard D. Greenfield of Greenfield & Chimicles, Dianne M. Nast of Kohn, Savett Klein & Graf, and Sherrie R. Savett of Berger & Montague, the $22 million settlement represents one of the largest comparable recoveries for investors in an earnings projections case. Greenfield stated, "It was impossible to tell, at this time, how much individual investors would receive on their claims because the settlement process is not yet concluded."

Claim forms have been mailed to members of the class, who are required to submit such claim forms to the claims administrators. According to Savett, in order to be entitled to receive a share of the settlement fund, the claim forms must be submitted by Nov. 1, 1990. Nast further stated, "We are very pleased with this settlement and we anticipate that the members of the class will be happy as well."

Additionally, the court also awarded to the named plaintiffs "incentive awards" of $5,000 each, over and above their proportionate shares of the settlement fund.

CONTACT: Richard D. Greenfield of Greenfield & Chimicles, 215-642-8500, or Dianne M. Nast of Kohn, Savett, Klein & Graf, 215-238-1700, or Sherrie R. Savett of Berger & Montague, 215-875-3000

-30- 2200

#90303p1517 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways announced today that it had obtained from Airbus Industrie and United Technologies (NYSE: UTX) short term waivers of certain payments due them from the $150 million of proceeds that Pan Am received from the recent transfer of its Internal German Service to Lufthansa. These waivers were granted pending the creditors' review of the anticipated favorable effects of the transaction between Pan Am and United Air Lines announced on Oct. 23.

It was also announced that Pan Am had not made payments to certain of its pension plans that were also due, pursuant to a waiver previously granted by the IRS, upon transfer of the Internal German Service. Pan Am is presently in discussions with the IRS seeking to secure a deferral of these and other obligations.

If agreements cannot be reached on the long-term deferral of the payments due, the creditors have remedies available to them which, if exercised, could have a material adverse effect on Pan Am.

The amounts due to Airbus Industrie and United Technologies are secured by aircraft, spare engines and spare parts. The amounts due to Pan Am's pension plans for which deferral is requested are secured by a lien on the Pan Am Shuttle.

CONTACT: Jeffrey Kriendler of Pan Am, 212-880-1421.

-30- 1500

#90303p1518 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

VIENNA, VA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Perpetual Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: PFCP) announced today that it had changed the fiscal year for the company and its subsidiaries, including Perpetual Savings Bank, F.S.B.

The company's new fiscal year will cover the period of Jan. 1 through Dec. 31. The company's previous fiscal years had ended on Oct. 31.

The change in reporting periods will align the timing of Perpetual's financial disclosure for both bank regulatory and stockholder reporting purposes. Because of the change in its fiscal year, the company will file a Form 10-Q with the Securities and Exchange Commission, covering the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, and a transition report on Form 10-Q for the period of Nov. 1, 1989,

to Dec. 31, 1989.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, the company expects to report a net loss after taxes of approximately $31 million. This loss is driven largely by provisions to the reserve for loan losses during the three months of approximately $35 million and by losses of approximately $15 million in its real estate investment activities which have resulted in part from the continuing deterioration in the metropolitan Washington real estate market. At Sept. 30, 1990, non-performing assets are expected to total $401 million, which would be an increase of $66.7 million over their level at July 31, 1990.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, Perpetual Savings Bank continued to meet all three regulatory capital requirements. Stockholders' equity for the coO/ at Sept. 30, 1990, as measured by fgnerally accepted accounting principles, totalled $220 million, or 4.20 percent of total assets. During the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Perpetual Financial Corporation, the holding company, contributed $14.5 of its $26.0 million in excess capital to Perpetual Savings Bank. This action was taken to assist the company's principal subsidiary in complying with regulatory capital requirements. Subsequent compliance with capital ratios may be prevented by additional loan loss provision requirements resulting from the weakening real estate climate.

The actions announced today should have no negative impact on Perpetual's current level of customer service or the safety of its deposits which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Perpetual Financial Corporation, with assets of $5.2 billion, is the holding company for Perpetual Savings Bank, F.S.B., the largest thrift institution in Virginia, Maryland and Washington.

CONTACT: Robert A. Barton Jr. of Perpetual Financial Corporation, 703-760-4848

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#90303p1519 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
RIDLEY TOWNSHIP, PA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Boeing's new 777 commercial airplane program, announced yesterday in Seattle, is also good news for the Delaware Valley.

Ridley Township's Boeing Helicopters has been selected by Boeing Commercial Airplanes to produce wing fixed leading edges for the new Boeing 777. This program could add as many as 300 new employees before it reaches full production in 1995 and is projected to remain at that level for the foreseeable future.

"Boeing Helicopters' expertise in composite materials, and our experience in producing wing components for other Boeing commercial aircraft, plus the hard work of the talented people in our operations group, enabled us to win this

program," said A.R. (Russ) Schiela, Boeing Helicopters' program manager for the 777.

Schiela added that design teams have already begun work on the program, and that tool design and production support will begin in 1991, with first delivery of wing components slated for early 1993.

The wing leading edge structure combines composite and metal components for the new wing design proposed for what will become the world's largest, most spacious two-engine passenger airliner. The Boeing 777 will carry 360 to 390 seats and meet the demand for a jetliner sized between the company's 767-300 and 747-400. The 777 will roll out in April 1994, and first flight is scheduled for the following June.

For more than a decade, Boeing Helicopters has produced wing components and other composite and aluminum assemblies for all jetliners manufactured by Boeing Commercial Airplanes. The division currently produces wing components for the Boeing 737, 747, 757 and 767 commercial aircraft. Approximately 775 people are employed in these programs. Overall, Boeing employment in the Delaware Valley totals more than 6,700.

John Kivitz, Boeing Helicopters' commercial airplane program manager, said, "Deliveries of wing component ship sets in all of our airplane programs have increased significantly in the last few years. The new 777 program offers Boeing Helicopters a fantastic opportunity to assist Boeing Commercial Airplanes in an exciting new project."

Boeing Helicopters is an operating division of the Boeing Defense & Space Group, which is a unit of The Boeing Co. (NYSE: BA), with headquarters in Seattle. Boeing Helicopters produces and modernizes the CH-47 Chinook, a medium-lift helicopter for the U.S. Army and several international customers, composite helicopter rotor blades, fuel kits for the U.S. Marine Corps CH-46 E Sea Knight helicopters and jet transport assemblies. Current developmental programs include the MH-47E Special Operations Aircraft for U.S. Army long range special operations; the V-22 Osprey tiltrotor aircraft, with Bell Helicopter Textron; the LH, an advanced armed reconnaissance/light attack helicopter for the U.S. Army, with Sikorsky Aircraft; and the Boeing 360 Advanced Technology Demonstrator, the world's largest all-composite helicopter.

CONTACT: Jack Satterfield of Boeing Helicopters, 215-591-8399, or Jack Gamble 206-237-1715, or Dick Schleh, 206-234-9332, both of Boeing for information on the Boeing 777

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FAIRMONT, MI (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - WEIGH-TRONIX, Inc. (NASDAQ: WGHT) announced today that the board of directors declared its regular quarterly

dividend of 10 cents per share of common stock, payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to holders of record at the close of business on Nov. 15, 1990.

WEIGH-TRONIX, Inc. manufactures electronic weighing devices for farm equipment and a wide variety of industrial applications.

WEIGH-TRONIX, Inc. stock is traded on the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol WGHT.

CONTACT: WEIGH-TRONIX, 507-238-4461

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SEATTLE, (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - A new business trend has sign painters busy changing the names of businesses from "Jones and Son" to "Jones and Daughter." Increasingly, women are taking over the company business where Dad left off, and giving it their own unique stamp. Car dealer Barbara Guinn is a good example.

The owner of Acura of Bellevue, Guinn opened her own dealership in 1986. Going head to head with luxury European cars to introduce a new Japanese model she drew heavily on her 12 years of experience in the family businesses Nelson Chevrolet of Ballard and Lynnwood Honda. Having started in the accounting department in 1974, she worked her way up to office manager and eventually general manager of the Honda dealership.

The decision to open Acura of Bellevue came after she felt that her children were well-established in school and she herself had completed a year's worth of training at the National Auto Dealer's Academy. The four-year-old business now boasts yearly sales of $25 million, making it the second largest Acura dealership in the Pacific Northwest.

Guinn comes from a long line of auto dealers -- almost as long as the auto industry has been active in Washington State. Her grandfather, Stanley Nelson opened Nelson Chevrolet in Ballard in 1922, and in 1957 her father Stan Jr. started his own Chevrolet dealership in Sedro Wooley Uncle Fred Nelson owns Lynnwood Honda and Guinn's sister Pam Steinman has Foothills Pontiac/Buick/Toyota in Burlington. Of the 400 new car dealers in the state of Washington, Guinn and Steinman are two of just three who are women.

Guinn doesn't spend much time dwelling on the fact that she herself is a woman in a traditionally male industry. Rather, she pays attention to the needs of her customers, some 40-50 percent of whom are women.

"I try to educate the service and sales people that women as well as men are qualified, intelligent consumers. Attitudes are changing in all walks of life and this is one where it really makes a difference in our company's bottom

line."

CONTACT: Jane Taylor of Nancy Welts Productions, 206-684-6888

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#90303p1535 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLACKBURN, ENGLAND, UK (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Platforms Holdings PLC (NASDAQ: STPHF) (Pacific: STP) announced that a registration statement relating to 945,000 ordinary shares of the company has been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission as of Sept. 28, 1990. 245,000 of the ordinary shares are being offered by the company in the United States at $4.25 per share and 700,000 of the ordinary shares are being offered by the company in the United Kingdom at 2.25 pounds.

Proceeds will be used by the company for marketing the company's system in the United States, for redemption of preferred shares outstanding, for repayment of existing debt and for working capital and general corporate purposes.

The company is engaged in the business of supplying computer hardware and software and designing and developing data and image storage and retrieval systems for organization which process, file and retrieve large volumes of paper documents.

The managing underwriters for the offering are Marche' Securities Inc. in the United States and Rickett & Co. Limited in the United Kingdom. The name and address of the contact person in order to obtain a prospectus is Kelley Fritz, Rickett & Co. Limited, 3/5 John Street, London, England EC1M 4AE, 01-253-7174 in the United Kingdom; and John Silseth, Marche' Securities Inc., 512 Nicollet Mall, Suite 400, Minneapolis, MN 55402, 612-338-7721 in the United States.

CONTACT: Kelley Fritz of Rickett & Co. Limited, 01-253-7174; or John Silseth of Marche' Securities Inc., 612-338-7721, for Standard Platforms Holdings

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TORONTO, (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Roman Corporation Limited announced today that it has completed the private placement of one million, 12 percent cumulative, retractable and redeemable Preferred Shares Series 1 at an issue price of $10 each.

Monty Emerson, Roman Corporation's president and chief operating officer, said that the $10 million in net proceeds will be used to pay down borrowings and for general corporate purposes.

CONTACT: Ed Shiller of Roman Corporation, 416-496-865-1991 or 416-496-2243

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#90303p1546 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - A. Drue Jennings, president and chief executive officer of Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE: KLT), today sent the following letter to Wilson K. Cadman, chairman of the board and president of Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE):

Your recent decision to sell Kansas Gas and Electric Company demonstrates that KG&E is involved in an auction. Consequently, you were and are required to act as impartial auctioneers in order to produce the best value for your shareholders.

We have suspected, and have now confirmed, that you have favored The Kansas Power & Light Company in this auction process, providing them extensive access to information and analysis while exerting every effort to defeat our tender offer. KPL's chairman states that you have given his efforts to acquire KG&E your "full support" and that you have "jointly...identified significant areas of potential cost savings for 1/8y3/8our customers based on synergies."

In contrast, we have been denied essential information and been refused cooperation in identifying synergies and cost savings that would support a higher price. Yesterday your investment banker told us that he has been specifically instructed to have no further communications with us.

The auction is not over. You are obligated to provide us with all of the information which we have requested, including the same information you provided to KPL, and the same cooperation in our efforts to identify synergies and value as was afforded KPL. I look forward to your prompt response and sincerely hope that you will now start working with us to produce the best value for your shareholders.

On July 23, 1990, Kansas City Power & Light commenced an all cash, fully financed tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of Kansas Gas and Electric. The offer price of $27 per share for the common stock, approximately $857 million in the aggregate, represents a 37 percent premium over the market price of Kansas Gas and Electric common stock on July 20, 1990, the last trading day prior to the commencement of Kansas City Power & Light's offer.

The tender offer is scheduled to expire on Nov. 30, 1990, at 7 p.m., New York City time, unless the offer is further extended.

CONTACT: J. Turner White of Kansas City Power & Light, 816-556-2997, or Joele Frank of Adams & Rinehart, in New York, 212-557-0100

-30- 2624

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LA JOLLA, CA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermark, Inc. (AMEX: IMI) today announced that it has retained the investment banking firm of Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. to act as its financial advisor on the possible sale of its subsidiary, National Airmotive Corporation. The Company said Bear, Stearns will assist in identifying qualified buyers of National Airmotive and also will manage the selling process.

National Airmotive is a leading commercial franchised distributor and overhaul agency for gas turbine engines manufactured by the Allison Gas Turbine Division of General Motors Corporation, and is the only distributor licensed to sell and service the entire Allison line of gas turbine engines.

John C. Stiska, President of Intermark, said, "National Airmotive is a strong, profitable business and has the capacity and opportunity with the right strategic buyer to double its present $100 million annual sales with very few changes to its manufacturing facility. Without having to make an additional investment, such a buyer could benefit from National Airmotive's capacity and worldwide reputation for excellence."

Intermark is a $1 billion operating/holding company whose business is to acquire a controlling interest in, operate through and add value to well-established, successful, mid-sized American growth companies in broadly diverse industries.

CONTACT: John C. Stiska, president, or Mitchell R. Woodbury, VP and corporate counsel, both of Intermark Inc., 619-459-3841

-30- 1673

#90303p1548 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CT (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - First Brands Corporation (NYSE: FBR) today announced that its major shareholders, Metropolitan Life Insurance Company and The First Boston Corporation and certain of its affiliates, have terminated discussions with prospective acquirers of First Brands.

In light of difficult conditions for financing acquisitions and the unsettled outlook for the economy generally, the major shareholders concluded that it was unlikely that a transaction could be effected on terms satisfactory for all shareholders of First Brands. In June, a Schedule 13-D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by the major shareholders indicated that they had determined to actively solicit indications of interest from, and enter into discussions with, third parties regarding the potential acquisition of all or portions of the common stock or assets of First Brands.

Alfred E. Dudley, chairman, president and CEO of First Brands, stated that "Our major stockholders have reaffirmed their belief in the significant underlying values inherent in the company and the opportunities that lie

ahead. Our businesses are performing ahead of our expectations and the objectives we set for ourselves in 1986 when First Brands was created."

"We will continue to actively pursue opportunities to enhance shareholder value, including repurchase of our stock, reduction of debt and acquisitions which complement our existing products and add to earnings growth."

First Brands Corporation develops, manufactures, markets and sells leading consumer products sold under the GLAD, GLAD-LOCK, PRESTONE, STP and SIMONIZ brands.

CONTACT: Donald A. DeSantis, vice president & chief financial officer of First Brands, 203-731-2306

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EDMONTON, ALBERTA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Numac Oil & Gas Ltd. (Toronto: NMC) of Edmonton, Alberta reports consolidated financial results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as follows:

NUMAC OIL & GAS LTD.
(Millions, except per share amounts)

	Nine Months Ended September 30	
	1990	1989 (Restated)
Gross Revenue	$36.8	$32.4
Cash Flow	$21.5	$18.0
per share	$0.84	$0.71
Net Earnings	$3.0	$4.0
per share	$0.12	$0.16

Numac recorded solid improvements in gross revenue and cash flow for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with the same period in 1989. Gross revenue increased by 14 percent to $36.8 million compared with $32.4 million in 1989 and cash flow increased by 19 percent to $21.5 million compared with $18 million. These increases reflect higher production volumes and selling prices for both crude oil and natural gas. As a result of increased depletion and deferred income taxes, both non-cash items, net earnings were $3 million in 1990 compared with $4 million in 1989.

Primarily as a result of a 40 percent increase in crude oil selling prices and an 8 percent increase in crude oil production volumes, gross revenue and cash flow for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $14.4 and $8.5 million,

respectively, compared with $9.9 and $4.9 million in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net earnings were $1.5 million compared with $0.5 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Crude oil and natural gas liquids production averaged 4,708 barrels per day (bpd) compared with 4,655 bpd in the first nine months of 1989. Importantly, production in the third quarter of 1990 was 4,858 bpd compared with 4,496 bpd in the third quarter of 1989. Numac's crude oil and liquids production currently exceeds 5,100 bpd.

CONTACT: Dale J. Hohm, VP & Treasurer of Numac Oil & Gas Ltd., 403-423-1718

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NEW YORK, (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Leucadia National Corporation (NYSE: LUK) announced that its board of directors, acting through the executive committee of the board, has increased the number of its common shares that the company is authorized to purchase. As a result, the company is authorized to purchase. As a result, the company currently is authorized to purchase up to 1,000,000 common shares from time to time in open market purchases or private transactions.

Leucadia National Corporation is a holding company for its consolidated subsidiaries engaged in life insurance (through Charter National Life Insurance Company of St. Louis), manufacturing (principally through its Conwed General Marble and Electri-cord Divisions), banking (principally through American Investment Bank, N.A.) and real estate development and, through its approximately 66 percent interest in PHLCORP, Inc., is engaged in trading stamps (through Sperry and Hutchinson Company, Inc.), motivation services (through S&H Motivation, Inc.) and the property and casualty insurance businesses (principally through Empire Insurance Company and Allcity Insurance Company). In addition, as a result of its partnership interest in The Jordan Company and Jordan/Zalaznick Capital Corporation, two related partnerships which are principally engaged in structuring leveraged buy- outs in which their partners become equity participants, the company has equity interests in several private companies. The company owns non- controlling equity interests representing more than 5 percent in the following publicly owned United States companies: Carmike Cinemas, Inc. (16 percent of Class A shares), Jones Plumbing Systems, Inc. (approximately 11 percent) Olympus Capital Corporation (approximately 24 percent) and Transportation Capital Corp. (approximately 13 percent) and owns approximately 46.6 percent of the outstanding share capital of Molins PLC, an United Kingdom corporation.

CONTACT: Ruth Klindtworth of Leucadia National, 212-460-1977

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HOUSTON, (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Noble Drilling Corp. (NASDAQ: NDCO) today reported 1990 third quarter operating revenues of $32 million compared with $28.7 million for the third quarter a year ago. The resulting operating loss and net loss were $46,000 and $599,000, respectively, for the 1990 third quarter compared with an operating loss of $1.3 million and net income of $714,000 for the third quarter of 1989. The 1989 third quarter net income was primarily attributable to a $2.7 million gain on the sale of the company's 250-foot jackup rig the "Johnnie Hoffman."

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported operating revenues of $97.7 million compared with $73.1 million for the same period of 1989. The operating loss and net loss were $4 million and $5.7 million, respectively, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared with $8 and $7 million, respectively, for the same period of 1989.

Noble's average domestic rig utilization rate for the first nine months was 34 percent, up from 26 percent for the same period of 1989. Domestic land operations averaged 28 percent utilization while the offshore operation averaged 53 percent.

Jim Day, president and CEO said, "The domestic market has continued to strengthen with the current rig count reaching its highest level since January 1988. We anticipate the overall activity level will remain strong through the fourth quarter."

The company's average international rig utilization rate for owned and leased equipment for the first nine months was 36 percent, up from 29 percent in the 1989 comparable period. Four rigs were transferred from the domestic offshore fleet to the international fleet effective July 1, 1990, in anticipation of their mobilization to Nigeria. This transfer directly increased the utilization rate of the domestic offshore division and, conversely, decreased the utilization of the international division. At Sept. 30, 1990, the company also operated 12 rigs through labor contracts, 10 in the North Sea, one offshore Malaysia and one in Kenya.

The company has one land rig in Syria. Day said, "In view of recent events in the Middle East, our operation in Syria has been suspended until there is some resolution of the conflict."

On Aug. 28, 1990, the company concluded an equity offering of 9,000,000 shares of its common stock which consisted of 5,000,000 primary shares issued and sold by the company and 4,000,000 shares sold by selling shareholders. From the company's net proceeds of approximately $44,500,000, the company repaid $15,200,000 of debt and the balance is being used to fund the company's capital expenditure and working capital requirements. The company did not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of shares of common stock by the selling shareholders.

The company has previously announced that its subsidiary entered into four contracts with The Shell Petroleum Development Company of Nigeria Limited to provide three posted barges and a shallow-water jackup for Shell Nigeria's drilling program in Nigeria, and that the company expected the rigs to commence operations in Nigeria late in the fourth quarter of 1990. All four rigs are currently in shipyards undergoing major modifications and refurbishment, and the company's original schedule for mobilization of the rigs has been revised. The "NN-1" and the "Gene Rosser" are currently scheduled to depart the Gulf of Mexico the latter part of November to arrive in Nigeria the latter part of December. The "Lewis Dugger" and the "Chuck Syring" are scheduled to commence transport to Nigeria by late-January 1991.

Noble Drilling Corp. is a major drilling contractor providing offshore and onshore contract drilling services worldwide with operations in the United States, Canada, the U.K. North Sea, Africa, the Far East, South America, the Middle East and India. The company's common stock is listed in the NASDAQ/NMS under the symbol NDCO.

NOBLE DRILLING CORP.
Summary of Results
(Unaudited, in thousands except per share amounts)

	Three months ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Operating Revenues	$ 32,028	$ 28,694
Operating Income (Loss)	$ (46)	$ (1,304)
Net Income (Loss)	$ (599)	$ 714
Net Income (Loss) Per Common Share	$ (.03)	$ .02
Average Common Shares Outstanding	27,438	29,033

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Operating Revenues	$ 97,714	$ 73,066
Operating Income (Loss)	$ (4,038)	$ (8,048)
Net Income (Loss)	$ (5,700)	$ (7,048)
Net Income (Loss) Per Common Share	$ (.25)	$ (.34)
Average Common Shares Outstanding	24,595	22,381

CONTACT: Byron L. Welliver of Noble Drilling Corp., 713-974-3131

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#90303p1569 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) today announced that it will be conducting a dBASE Cross Platform Challenge at the Comdex '90 Conference and Exposition in Las Vegas, Nov. 12-16. The Challenge will allow participants to port an existing DOS-based dBASE application and data to a VAX VMS system, UNIX workstation or Macintosh computer.

"The dBASE Cross Platform Challenge is the best way for us to demonstrate what we call the 'true portability' of dBASE IV across PC, VMS, UNIX and Macintosh platforms," said David Proctor, Ashton- Tate executive vice president, product development. "Participants will be able to watch an existing PC dBASE application run on another platform without recompilation or modification."

According to Proctor, this level of portability is particularly desirable for the existing three million users of dBASE products on a DOS-based PC.

The true portability of these products allows users to easily migrate to other hardware platforms while permitting companies to leverage the large investments they have in applications, data and training.

Challenge Guidelines: Conducted in the Ashton-Tate booth (H8218) in the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel, appointments for the dBASE Cross Platform Challenge are being scheduled in one-half hour increments from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day of the show.

Anyone interested in participating in the Ashton-Tate dBASE Cross Platform Challenge should contact the company's Advanced Consulting Group at 213-538-6116 to schedule an appointment. Participants will be asked to bring their application and data on either a 5-1/4" or 3- 1/2" disk to the Ashton-Tate booth at COMDEX '90.

Due to time restrictions, Ashton-Tate is limiting the size of the application to no more than 5,000 lines of pure dBASE code and requesting that the application does not include "load and call" routines.

Headquartered in Torrance, Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software. The company's major product categories include database management systems, word processing, integrated decision support, spreadsheets, graphics and software utilities. Ashton-Tate has international operations in most countries around the world, with products available in 20 languages in more than 50 countries. The company also offers a comprehensive line of training and support services for individuals, corporations and government agencies.

CONTACT: Dian L. Melius of Ashton-Tate Corp., 213-538-7321.

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#90303p1571 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Apache Corp. (NYSE: APA) today announced that it has commenced its previously announced public offering of convertible subordinated debentures.

The 7.5 percent debentures, due Oct. 1, 2000, offered at 100 percent of their

principal amount, are convertible into shares of Apache common stock at any time prior to maturity unless previously redeemed at a conversion price of $19.18 per share. The $150 million offering is underwritten by Merrill Lynch & Co., The First Boston Corp., Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc.

Net proceeds to the company from the offering will be used to repay virtually all bank borrowings and commercial paper indebtedness and for other general corporate purposes.

Apache is an independent energy company engaged in exploration, development, production and marketing of natural gas and crude oil. The company's securities are traded on the New York and Midwest Stock Exchanges (symbol APA).

CONTACT: Jeanne Buchanan of Apache Corp., 303-837-5017.

-30- 1212

#90303p1573 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWPORT NEWS, VA. (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Flight International Group, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FLTI) announced today that it had reached agreements in principle with the lenders who last year sued the company as a result of its default on an aggregate of approximately $63 million in outstanding loans and who had not previously settled such lawsuits.

The agreements in principle announced today relate to the remaining $35.1 million in previously defaulted debt owing to five creditors. These agreements in principle provide that, subject to negotiation and execution of final documents satisfactory to all parties and certain other conditions, defaults under existing debt would be waived, payment terms of the restructured debt would be extended as compared to the debt currently in default and the lawsuits brought as a result of such defaults would be dismissed. If the final documentation is successfully negotiated and other conditions satisfied, Flight International will have restructured, brought current or paid off all of its defaulted debt.

"We are extremely pleased with the outcome of our latest round of lender negotiations," said J. Nelson Happy, chairman and chief executive. "These agreements in principle are an important step toward eliminating the remaining defaults and restoring the company's fiscal credibility among new and existing lenders, customers and suppliers."

The company also said that it expects to file its letter of application for inclusion of the company's common stock on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation system by Oct. 31, 1990. "Listing on NASDAQ will be an important step in trying to create a more liquid market for Flight International shares," Happy said. "I hesitate to put a time frame on the listing process, but our shareholders will know the fate of our

application as soon as we do."

The Flight International Group, Inc. is a leader in aviation services with interests in government and military contracts as well as commercial flight operations.

CONTACT: Jeanne Huber of Flight International, 804-886-5605, or Art Gormley of Hill and Knowlton, 212-697-5600

-30- 2355

#90303p1575 10/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - BancOklahoma Corp. (NASDAQ: BOKC) reported today net income of $2.1 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and net income of $6.2 million for the first nine months of the year. The company has been profitable for the past five quarters. Net income available to common shareholders, after the accumulation of unpaid dividends on the FDIC's Class A Preferred Stock in Bank of Oklahoma, N.A. was $294,000 and $792,000, respectively.

Last Thursday, George Kaiser announced the signing of a contract with the FDIC to acquire its interests in Bank of Oklahoma. Leonard J. Eaton, BancOklahoma chairman and chief executive officer, said it is anticipated that negotiations will begin this week with Kaiser's Acquistion Holding Company regarding Bank of Oklahoma shareholders' continuting interests.

Bank of Oklahoma's nonperforming loans and net repossessed assets are down substantially from a year ago. Nonperforming loans, including loans past due 90 days or more, were $52.9 million at Sept. 30, 1990, and $65.5 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Net repossessed assets were $32.1 million at Sept. 30, 1990, and $39.2 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

During the third quarter of 1990, Bank of Oklahoma made provisions of $1 million to its loan loss reserve and $1.4 million to its repossessed asset reserve. Its loan loss reserve was $46.0 million at Sept. 30, 1990, representing 86.9 percent of nonperforming loans.

At Sept. 30, 1990, BancOklahoma had total assets of $1.8 billion, total loans of $1 billion and total deposits of $1.6 billion. Primary capital was $113.3 million or 6.15 percent of total assets.

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Dollars in Thousands Except Share Data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Selected Financial Data				
Net Income	$2,105	$74	$5,237	$1,584

Net Income (loss) available to common (i)	294	(1,288)	792	(2,456)
Per Share				
Primary earnings	.01	(.20)	.03	(.39)
Fully Diluted earnings	.01	(.20)	.03	(.39)
Selected Balance Sheet Ratios				
Primary capital to total assets (in percents)	6.15	5.88		
Reserve for loan losses to nonperforming loans	86.94	91.88		
Reserve for loan losses to loans	4.61	5.25		
Averages				
Loans, net of reserve for loan losses	$939,542	$1,219,410	$978,894	$1,237,759
Assets	1,781,950	2,127,571	1,839,389	2,148,599
Deposits	1,551,114	1,861,950	1,599,042	1,863,629
At Sept. 30				
Loans, net of reserve for loan losses	$951,772	$1,086,492		
Reserve for loan losses	46,031	60,198		
Assets	1,797,642	1,967,330		
Deposits	1,558,214	1,711,478		
Shareholders' interests	67,300	58,967		
Nonperforming loans	52,948	65,521		
Net repossessed assets	32,060	39,173		
Total nonperforming assets	85,008	104,694		
Common shares outstanding	12,071	12,064		
Common share equivalents	30,177	30,159		

(i) Net income available to common reflects cumulative dividends on Bank of Oklahoma, N.A.'s Class A Preferred Stock of $1,811 and $5,445 for the three months and nine months respectively, ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, net income available to common reflects imputed dividends on Bank of Oklahoma, N.A.'s Class A Preferred Stock of $1,362 and $4,040, respectively.

CONTACT: William B. Fader, 918-588-6348; or Coy Hobbs, 918-588-6035; both of

BancOklahoma Corp.

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NORWALK, CT (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Connecticut Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: NKBK), the holding company for the Norwalk Bank, reported that after providing an additional $2 million in reserves for loan losses, it incurred a net loss of $2,026,000 ($1.45 per share) for the third quarter of 1990. Reserves were $3.1 million or 4.1 percent of total loans at the end of the third quarter. These results compared to a net loss of $147,000 ($.10 per share) in the third quarter of 1989. The addition to loan loss reserves is attributed to a continued deterioration in the overall economic environment and, in particular, the real estate market, and a worsening of the financial condition of individual borrowers. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company incurred a net loss of $3.4 million ($2.41 per share) compared to a net income of $7,000 ($.01 per share) in 1989.

Emmett G. Murphy, president of the Norwalk Bank, said, "Our continuous monitoring of local and regional economic conditions and particularly the weak real estate market as they affect our individual and corporate borrowers has indicated a continued decline in economic activity. This has resulted in additional stress to the financial condition of some of our borrowers. Due to the increase in our non- performing loans as a function of these economic factors, we have determined that a substantial addition to our reserves for possible loan losses is prudent at this time."

Kevin G. Woelflein, chairman of Connecticut Bancorp, Inc., added, "Although the region continues to experience substantial declines in economic strength and banks in general are feeling the effects in higher levels of non-performing loans, the Norwalk Bank remains in a position to weather this period of economic instability."

During the first nine months of 1990, deposits grew to $81 million, a 10 percent increase over year-end 1989, and loans increased to $76 million, an increase of 3 percent. Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $86 million.

CONNECTICUT BANCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Balance Sheets
(in thousands, unaudited)

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Assets:		
Cash and due from banks	$1,850	$2,646
Interest bearing deposits in other banks	228	219
Federal funds sold	3,000	1,500
Investment securities (market value of $3,305 and $3,297 for 1990 and 1989, respectively)	3,300	3,304
Loans, less reserve for loan losses for $3,091		

and $731 for 1990 and 1989, respectively	72,679	72,890
Foreclosed & in-substance repossessed properties	2,271	---
Leasehold improvements and equipment, net	1,561	1,739
Other assets	1,134	1,040
Total assets	86,023	83,338
Liabilities:		
Deposits:		
Non-interest-bearing demand deposits	5,411	6,215
Interest-bearing deposits:		
Savings and NOW	5,212	5,532
Money market	7,561	9,024
Certificates of deposit	62,421	52,478
Total deposits	80,605	73,249
Other liabilities	689	2,005
Total liabilities	81,294	75,254
Stockholders' Equity: Common stock -- $.01 per share par value:		
Authorized -- 5 million shares;		
Issued -- 1,400,000 shares	14	14
Paid-in capital	10,713	10,713
Accumulated deficit	(5,967)	(2,612)
Less treasury stock, at cost - 5,000 shares	(31)	(31)
Total stockholders' equity	4,729	8,084
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	86,023	83,338

CONNECTICUT BANCORP, INC., AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Operations

(in thousands except per share amounts, unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest income:				
Interest and fees on loans	$1,967	$1,922	$5,888	$5,491
Interest on investment securities	68	46	204	174
Interest on federal funds sold	62	112	190	225
Interest on deposits in other banks	5	11	14	20
Total interest income	2,102	2,091	6,296	5,910
Interest expense on deposits	1,563	1,472	4,534	4,013
Net interest income	539	619	1,762	1,897
Provision for loan losses	2,006	43	3,404	129
Net interest income (loss) after provision for loan losses	(1,467)	576	(1,642)	1,768
Other operating income	97	100	294	257
Net interest income (loss) and other operating income	(1,370)	676	(1,348)	2,025
Operating expenses:				
Salaries and benefits	274	225	830	733
Legal and accounting	31	19	130	78
Occupancy	70	69	206	208
Depreciation and amortization	66	64	200	193
Insurance	41	31	116	87

Advertising and marketing	15	13	61	77
Telephone and utilities	18	17	54	52
Cleaning and maintenance	24	18	58	49
Stationery and office supplies	12	9	41	44
Proxy contest	---	299	---	299
Other operating	104	59	307	195
Total operating expenses	655	823	2,003	2,015
(Loss) income before income taxes	(2,025)	(147)	(3,351)	10
Provision for income taxes	1	---	4	3
Net (loss) income	(2,026)	(147)	(3,355)	7
Net (loss) income per common share	$(1.45)	$(.10)	$(2.41)	$.01

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - San Francisco-based PLM International (AMEX: PLM) today announced the promotion of George E. Jennings to Director, Marine Operations. Jennings, 54, has served as Technical Marine Manager for PLM International's marine group since January 1989.

Jennings has over 35 years of experience in the maritime industry and has held positions at Getty Oil Co. and Caldel Marine Associates. As Director, Marine Operations, Jennings will be responsible for the operation and maintenance of all of PLM International's marine vessels. He will report to Dirk Langeveld, Vice President, Marine. PLM International owns and manages a fleet of 42 ships, including handy-size dry bulk carriers and oil product tankers.

PLM International is an integrated equipment leasing company engaged in the leasing and management of transportation equipment and in operating leases domestically and internationally, and in the syndication of capital equipment leasing investments. The company operates and manages over $1.3 billion of transportation equipment and related assets for its account and various investment partnerships and third party accounts.

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MOSCOW (OCT 30) TASS - THE MIDDLE EAST WILL CONTINUE TO BE GRIPPED BY POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC CRISES UNTIL THE PALESTINIAN PROBLEM IS SOLVED, NAIF HAWATMEH, GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE DEMOCRATIC FRONT OF THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE, SAID HERE TODAY.

HE ARRIVED IN MOSCOW ON MONDAY AT THE INVITATION OF THE SOVIET AFRO-ASIAN

SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE.

COMMENTING ON THE SITUATION IN THE GULF, HAWATMEH SAID THAT "DESPITE THE THREAT OF AN ARMED CLASH, THERE ARE POSSIBILITIES FOR A POLITICAL COMPROMISE".

"AFTER MY MEETINGS WITH IRAQI LEADERS I HAVE AN IMPRESSION THAT (IRAQI PRESIDENT) SADDAM HUSSEIN IS READY FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM," HE SAID.

HE NOTED THAT TWO CONDITIONS ARE NECESSARY TO SETTLE THE CONFLICT -- AN ARAB SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM AND A U.S. PLEDGE NOT TO USE FORCE AGAINST IRAQ.

HAWATMEH SAID THE TOUGH U.S. STAND ON THE GULF CRISIS STOOD IN THE WAY OF A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT.

HE NOTED THAT THE SOVIET UNION AND FRANCE COULD PREVENT AN ARMED CONFRONTATION IN THE GULF. "MOSCOW AND PARIS COULD BECOME AN OBSTACLE TO WAR," HE SAID.

COMMENTING ON A RECENT VISIT BY SOVIET PRESIDENTIAL SPOKESMAN YEVGENY PRIMAKOV TO IRAQ, HAWATMEH WELCOMED THE SOVIET UNION'S EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT, SAYING THESE EFFORTS WOULD BRING "TANGIBLE POSITIVE RESULTS".

HAWATMEH CALLED FOR A SINGLE STAND OF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANISATION ON THE SETTLEMENT OF THE GULF CRISIS.

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#90303u0012 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - Efforts by thousands of volunteers to dampen the arson spree known as Devil's Night that normally sweeps Detroit around Halloween appear to be working. A police spokeswoman says it seems ''the city is in good shape.''

A 29-year-old California man faces the death penalty or life in prison when he is sentenced next week for murdering seven people, including two of his children. Ramon Salcido was convicted today in the April 1989 slayings.

Official sources say rival Shiite militias in Lebanon have declared a complete cease-fire to end their three-year dispute. The Hezbollah and Amal militias said the cease- fire began this morning.

South African business leaders want a part in negotiations to write a constitution ending racial segregation. The business leaders say they have a stake in the outcome of the talks to end apartheid.

More awards for Soviet President Gorbachev. The Dallas-based World Methodist Council says its 1990 Peace Award will go to the Kremlin leader. Gorbachev was the winner of this year's Nobel Peace Prize.

China's first national census in eight years finds the world's most populous nation now has one-pointBILLION people. That's more than 100-Million more than in 1982- despite more than a decade of birth- control efforts.

A legal expert say it may be years before Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry serves a six-month jail term for misdemeanor cocaine possession. The Georgetown University law professor predicts a lengthy appeals process.

A Pennsyvania couple has filed a federal lawsuit against the American Red Cross and a Chester County hospital for allegedly giving the wife AIDS infected blood. The suit alleges the virus was pass to two infant children.

The lead singer of the heavy metal band Guns 'N Roses is out on bail after his arrest on assault charges for allegedly hitting a neighbor with a wine bottle in West Hollywood, California. Geffen Records, the band's label, says Axl Rose was assaulted by his neighbor... NOT the other way around.

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#90303u0025 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 29) UPI - Goaltender John Vanbiesbrouck stopped 22 shots and Brian Leetch scored a goal and assisted on another Monday night to extend the New York Rangers' home winning streak to seven games with a 5-0 triumph over the Quebec Nordiques.

New York, 7-0 at Madison Square Garden this season, is off to its best home start in the 65-year history of the franchise. The team's last seven-game home winning streak ran from Dec. 21, 1983 to Jan. 18, 1984.

The Rangers registered their fifth straight victory overall and are 10-1-0 in the last 11 games. The shutout was Vanbiesbrouck's second of the season and ninth of his career.

In the only NHL game scheduled Monday night, New York took a 1-0 lead at 8:08 of the first period on Ray Sheppard's second goal of the season. Leetch shot from the high slot and the puck ricocheted off the post out to Sheppard at the right faceoff circle. Sheppard then blasted the puck past Nordiques goaltender John Tanner.

Mark Janssens gave the Rangers a 2-0 lead at 18:56 with his fourth goal, a turnaround backhander from right in front of the net. Kris King worked the puck free down the right side and sent it behind the net, where Jody Hull shoveled it out in front to Janssens.

Ron Tugnutt replaced Tanner at the beginning of the second period and gave up a power-play goal to Leetch 16 seconds into the period for a 3-0 lead. Mike Gartner assisted on the goal for his 900th NHL point.

The Rangers' Troy Mallette suffered a mild sprain of his left knee during the game, the Rangers reported, and will be out of the lineup seven to 10 days.

Kevin Miller scored his third goal of the season at 7:17 of the third period to extend the lead to 4-0 after Tugnett lost the puck behind his own net and John Ogrodnick was able to pass it out in front, where Miller shot it into the empty net.

Brian Mullen scored his sixth goal of the season at 9:27 for a 5-0 Rangers lead.

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(OCT. 30) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	6	1	0	.857	187	136	4-1	W-5
Miami	6	1	0	.857	152	90	5-0	W-4
New York Jets	3	5	0	.375	151	190	1-3	W-1
Indianapolis	2	5	0	.286	125	142	0-3	L-2
New England	1	6	0	.143	100	196	1-4	L-5

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	5	3	0	.625	205	204	1-1	L-1
Houston	4	4	0	.500	181	152	1-1	L-1
Pittsburgh	4	4	0	.500	150	138	1-1	W-1
Cleveland	2	6	0	.250	128	193	1-1	L-3

WEST

LA Raiders	6	1	0	.857	147	99	4-0	W-2
Kansas City	4	3	0	.571	167	114	0-2	L-1
Seattle	3	4	0	.429	144	135	1-3	W-1
Denver	3	4	0	.429	168	178	2-1	W-1
San Diego	3	5	0	.375	164	142	0-1	W-1

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	7	0	0	1.000	171	96	6-0	W-7
Washington	4	3	0	.571	144	103	4-2	L-1
Philadelphia	3	4	0	.429	151	152	1-3	W-1
Dallas	3	5	0	.375	110	156	0-5	L-1
Phoenix	2	5	0	.286	110	161	2-3	L-2

CENTRAL								
Chicago	6	1	0	.857	173	96	3-0	W-3
Tampa Bay	4	4	0	.500	157	182	4-0	W-1
Green Bay	3	4	0	.429	127	156	2-3	W-1
Detroit	3	4	0	.429	168	179	1-3	W-1
Minnesota	1	6	0	.143	150	159	0-4	L-5
WEST								
San Francisco	7	0	0	1.000	174	118	3-0	W-7
Atlanta	3	4	0	.429	199	200	1-3	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	2	5	0	.286	174	214	1-0	L-1
New Orleans	2	5	0	.286	115	150	0-2	L-2

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#90303u0083 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - French hostages used by Saddam Hussein as human shields to ward off attack at strategic sites in Iraq have won freedom, while President Bush and the Iraqi leader both say the Persian Gulf crisis may lead to military confrontation.

A Boeing 747 whisked more than 260 French hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait to Paris Monday, while Saddam said in a television interview that his nation would not object to war ''if God wills it.''

President Bush, visiting San Francisco, denied he is preparing America for war in the Middle East, but said the United States would take military action against Iraq if provoked.

''I am working to try to get this matter resolved peacefully. We have a lot of force there and they're well trained,'' said Bush. ''They are highly motivated and that alone is sending an enormously strong signal to Saddam Hussein.''

Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov flew to Saudi Arabia from Baghdad Monday after an apparent failure to persuade Saddam to end his nearly 3- month-old occupation of Kuwait. But Mikhail Gorbachev revealed his latest information from Primakov indicates Saddam appears to have softened his position.

Gorbachev, visiting France, said the gulf crisis must be settled peacefully and suggested Saudi Arabia work toward an ''inter-Arab'' solution.

Concluding a two-day meeting with French President Francois Mitterrand, the Soviet leader told reporters war in the Persian Gulf is unacceptable.

He said if Arabs find a solution among themselves, then ''the Iraqi leadership would be more ready to accept that.''

''Saudi Arabia is close, a neighbor, and has certain relations with Iraq. It could take an initiative, as well as other countries,'' Gorbachev said. ''There are inter-Arab mechanisms. They must act.''

Primakov was expected to speak with Saudi King Fahd and other officials about Gorbachev's peace proposal, Arab radio stations said.

Some Arab newspapers had described Primakov's mission as a ''last chance for peace.'' After the envoy left without a promise of Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, the U.N. Security Council voted for new measures against Iraq. The measures hold Iraq responsible for damage to Kuwaiti property and for human rights violations stemming from the invasion.

Saddam, for his part, said in a Cable News Network interview his talks with Primakov were ''wide-ranging, deep and very useful.''

He said Iraq is trying to avoid military confrontation and would rather negotiate a peace, but added it seemed that Israel and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher are trying to push Bush into that dangerous and grave quagmire.

He said ''there is nothing worse than war,'' but if the Arabs and Iraqis feared war they would lose their values of ''honor, sovereignty and security.''

''If the Americans were to opt away from war and distanced themselves from war then they will have established a strong position for themselves and for humanity.''

Saddam said an acceptable forum would be an international conference for a comprehensive solution to Middle East issues or a meeting of Arab nations.

Saddam described himself as ''an Arab citizen, a believer in God fighting for truth.''

''If God were to will that war occur then we, believers in God, will not object,'' he told interviewers. ''If he wills it (war) we will have to accept it despite the nature of things that will come in such a situation.''

Secretary of State James Baker, in a speech in Los Angeles, said Saddam is ''hell-bent on a revival of hot war'' in the Middle East. Baker said although the United States prefers a diplomatic solution, ''We will not rule out a possible use of force if Iraq continues to occupy Kuwait.''

In another development Monday, Saddam offered to make peace with Kurdish rebels in northern Iraq, news reports from Iran said. The government of Iran could mediate between the Iraqi government and rebels. The Kurds, non-Arabs whose tribes extend into Turkey, Iran and the Soviet Union, are a historically troublesome minority who periodically seek independence from Baghdad.

More than 260 French and 13 Greek and British hostages arrived in Paris from Baghdad, ending a three-month ordeal in Iraq and Kuwait that saw some of them used as human shields against attack at strategic locations. The freed hostages landed at Charles de Gaulle Airport outside Paris aboard an Iraqi Airways Boeing 747 jet after a six-hour flight from Baghdad.

The remaining six diplomats at the French Embassy in Kuwait city were on the flight, but French officials insisted the diplomatic mission remains ''open.''

Before the freed hostages arrived, the French government announced it would comply with an Iraqi request and send medicine to Baghdad aboard the plane that carried the nationals to freedom.

Officials said about 40 French nationals, including some who hold both French and Iraqi citizenships and members of religious groups, chose to stay behind in Iraq.

Some of the families of the hostages showed up at the airport with bottles of champagne. Annie Fauqueur arrived with her three daughters and five other members of her family on a chauffeur-driven car, courtesy of her town's mayor.

''My husband has been a prisoner since August,'' Fauqueur said before the Iraqi Airways jet landed. ''Don't say he was a swimming pool hostage, that would make him very upset, especially since he was sent to a strategic site as a human shield.''

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(OCT. 30) UPI - MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL SCORING SUMMARY

LA Rams	7	3	0	0-10
Pittsburgh	14	3	10	14-41

FIRST QUARTER
LAR-G.Green 100 kickoff return (Lansford kick), 0:16
Pitt-Hoge 6 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 5:05
Pitt-E.Green 17 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 13:04

SECOND QUARTER
LAR-FG Lansford 32, 0:45
Pitt-FG Anderson 42, 4:36

THIRD QUARTER
Pitt-FG Anderson 30, 6:10
Pitt-Hoge 1 run (Anderson kick), 11:12

FOURTH QUARTER
Pitt-Stone 8 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 0:07
Pitt-Hoge 2 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 2:42

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	LAR	Pitt
First downs	13	18
Rushes-yards	23--44	34-189
Passing yards	173	156
Sacked-yards lost	1--3	1--5
3rd down eff.	2--13--15.0	3--11--27.0
4th down eff.	0--1--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	15--32--2	15--24--1
Punts	5--39.6	5--37.4
Punt returns-yds	2--14	5--32
KO returns-yds	8--248	3--105
Fumbles-lost	3--1	0--0
Penalties-yards	5--44	9--136
Time of possessin	27:26	32:34

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-Los Angeles-Gary 15-34, McGee 3-15, English 1-(-11), Warner 4-6. Pittsburgh-Hoge 18-52, W.Williams 8-78, Brister 2-6, Foster 6-53.

PASSING-Los Angeles-J.Everett 15-34-2-176, Long 0-1-0-0. Pittsburgh-Brister 15-24-1- 161.

RECEIVING-Los Angeles-McGee 5-39, Ellard 7-99, W.Anderson 1-12, Holohan 1-6, A.Cox 1-20. Pittsburgh-Lipps 2-32, Hoge 6-28, Hill 2-23, E.Green 1-17, Bell 1-8, Stone 2-48, Mularkey 1-5.

SACKS-Los Angeles-Wright 1-5. Pittsburgh-Willis 1-3.

INTERCEPTIONS-Los Angeles-Humphrey 1-0. Pittsburgh-Johnson 1-34, Everett 1-2.

Missed field goals: Lansford 48, 42.

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(OCT. 30) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

HOCKEY

Minnesota at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at NY Islanders, 7:35 p.m.

Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
New Jersey at Calgary, 9:35 p.m.
Washington at Vancouver, 10:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Oakland, Calif. - $350,000 Virginia Slims of California
Paris - $2 million Paris Open.

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#90303u0089 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 30) UPI - The Bush administration is raising the rhetoric in the Persian Gulf crisis. Secretary of State Baker spoke to the Los Angeles World Affairs Council Monday, describing Iraq as- quoting here- ''hell-bent on a revival of hot war'' in the Middle East. Baker also said Washington is NOT ruling out the use of force.

A Boeing 747 brought more than 260 French citizens home to Paris late Monday... with relatives of some of those formally held in Iraq bringing champagne to the airport. Officials say about 40 French nationals- including some with dual citizenship- chose to stay behind in Baghdad.

The U-S Supreme Court returned from its first two-week recess of the term Monday, disposing of more than 200 cases but agreeing to hear only three. The high court agreed to resolve an industrywide dispute over when coal miners qualify for black lung disability benefits.

Senate staff investigators say U-S prisoners of war were held in Vietnam after the U-S government claimed there were NONE. The report released Monday is the first independent investigation conducted into P- O-W's in 17 years. The report also states somes American P-O-W's may still be alive.

NASA engineers will begin the process of fueling the shuttle Columbia in yet another test Tuesday morning at Cape Canaveral. And the space agency is spending two days reviewing the Atlantis in an attempt to clear that shuttle for launch around November 10th on a military flight.

Pakistan says it's getting pushed into a corner by Washington. The nation's interior minister hints it may stop interest payments on its foreign debt unless U-S military and economic aid resumes. Pakistan says nearly 90 percent of U-S aid to Pakistan is consumed by interest payments on its foreign debt.

The World Bank may be softening its stance against China. A leading bank official says the institution should normalize its lending with Beijing. The bank suspended most lending to China last year following the bloody June crackdown that crushed the nation's pro- democracy movement.

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#90303u0137 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 30) UPI - Los Angeles put a scare into Pittsburgh during Halloween week when they returned the opening kickoff 100 yards for a touchdown Monday night, but that just seemed to put the Steelers in the spirit of the season.

Bubby Brister passed for four touchdowns, including two to Merril Hoge, who also scored on a 1-yard run, to lead the Steelers to a 41-10 rout of the Rams.

Brister completed 15 of 24 passes for 161 yards as the Steelers improved to 4-4 and climbed within a game of first-place Cincinnati in the AFC Central Division. The Rams, preseason favorites to reach the Super Bowl, fell to 2-5 in the NFC West.

Brister threw touchdown passes of 6 and 2 yards to Hoge, 17 to rookie Eric Green and 8 yards to Dwight Stone.

Gaston Green opened the game by returning the kickoff 100 yards for the Rams' only TD. Green took Gary Anderson's kickoff at the goal-line, ran up the middle, cut to his left and ran up the left sideline untouched into the end zone 16 seconds into the game to give the Rams a 7-0 lead.

''They knocked a few of our people down and Green ran very, very well,'' said Steeler Coach Chuck Noll. ''It was just one of those things. I think that put us in the spirit of things though. It may have woken us up.''

The Steelers tied the score 7-7 on their next possession on a 6-yard touchdown pass from Brister to Hoge. Brister rolled to his right and hit Hoge on the 8-yard line, and he ran into the end zone at 5:05 of the first quarter.

''It was important for us to get down and get a touchdown to get the momentum back,'' said Brister.

''It was a great game plan. (Offensive coordinator Joe Walton) coached us very well, getting us ready to play.''

Pittsburgh's David Johnson intercepted Jim Everett's pass and returned it down the left sideline 34 yards to the Ram 17 with 2:01 left in the first quarter. On the next play, Brister hit Eric Green in the left corner of the end zone with 1:56 remaining in the first quarter to give Pittsburgh a 14-7 lead. It was the first-round draft choice's sixth touchdown catch in 11 receptions.

''There was a penalty on the play and I knew it was coming back,'' Johnson said of his interception. ''I thought I would gamble if they threw the out route. If it was a different route, it would have been a TD, but called back.''

Lansford kicked a 32-yard field goal 45 seconds into the second quarter to cut the Pittsburgh lead to 14-10. The kick was set up by a 43-yard pass interference penalty against Thomas Everett on a pass from Jim Everett to Flipper Anderson that gave Los Angles a first down on the Steeler 23.

''That was a terrible football game for us,'' said Ram Coach John Robinson. ''We made about every error you can make in a game. We committed obvious, numerous dropped fumbles and pass interceptions. We gave the ball to them deep in our territory a number of times.

''Pittsburgh is a good football team and they played good, but we are self-destructing in all phases of the game.''

Anderson kicked a 42-yard field goal at 4:36 of the second quarter to boost Pittsburgh's lead to 17-10. Rod Woodson's 49-yard kickoff return to the Ram 39 set up the score.

The Steelers increased their lead to 20-10 on Anderson's 30-yard field goal on the first series of the third quarter. Woodson returned the kickoff 45 yards to the Ram 45 to set up Anderson's kick at 6:10.

''It was pretty obvious that we got our butts kicked pretty good by a pretty good football team,'' said Jim Everett. ''We made them look a lot better, but they're a fine football team.''

Hoge scored his second touchdown at 11:12 of the third quarter on a 1-yard run off right tackle. The Steelers took over the ball three plays earlier when punter Keith English was tackled by Stone at the Rams' 6.

''It's always fun when you are scoring touchdowns,'' said Hoge. ''I felt a lot of emotion out there tonight. It was really fun.

''When things are going bad the offense always gets the blame. We've had a few injuries, but now we are gettting a few people back and getting better and better.''

Brister completed his third touchdown pass of the game, an 8-yarder to Stone, seven seconds into the fourth quarter. Stone juggled the ball before falling into the end zone along the right sideline.

Brister threw his fourth TD pass and second to Hoge, a 2-yarder, with 2:42 left in the fourth quarter to increase Pittsburgh's lead to 41-10.

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#90303u0138 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL, South Korea (OCT. 30) UPI - South Korea opened its embassy in Moscow

Tuesday and appointed Gong Ro-myung as its first ambassador to the Soviet Union, the Foreign Ministry said.

The South Korean Embassy began full operation based on a mutual agreement earlier this year to establish full diplomatic relations between the two countries.

Gong, 58, has served in various diplomatic posts both at home and abroad. His last assignment was as the consular officer at the South Korean trade office in Moscow.

The Soviet Union, an ally of North Korea, had no official ties with South Korea before the 1988 Seoul Summer Olympics. Informal relations expanded following the Olympic Games, leading to an accord for an exchange of trade offices in December 1989.

The two nations became closer following a meeting between Soviet leader Mikhail Gobachev and South Korean President Roh Tae-woo in San Francisco in June. The two governments finally agreed to open ambassadorial relations effective Sept. 30.

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#90303u0151 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - More than 260 French hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait were released and flown to Paris Monday. Before the hostages arrived, the French government announced that it would comply with an Iraqi request to send medicine to Baghdad.

In San Francisco Monday, President Bush denied that he is preparing America for war in the Middle East, but he said the United States would take military action against Iraq if provoked. Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein says his nation would not object to war- in his words- ''if God wills it.''

A contract extension between Chrysler Corporation and the United Auto Workers Union expired at midnight, but the union urged its members to report for work Tuesday. Negotiations continued past the midnight strike deadline.

Former Attorney General William French Smith died in Los Angeles Monday at the age of 73. He suffered from cancer. Smith resigned in January 1984, saying he wanted to return to private law practice and help Ronald Reagan's re-election campaign.

Police say a retired police officer tackled a would-be robber on a Manhattan subway train, but was fatally shot with his own gun during the struggle. Transit police say they questioned several men in the shooting, but they had no suspect in the crime.

South Korea opened its embassy in Moscow Tuesday and appointed its first ambassador to the Soviet Union. The South Korean Embassy began full operation based on a mutual agreement reached earlier this year to establish full diplomatic relations between the two countries.

Japan says it will reduce dependence on imported oil and promote the use of nuclear and other alternate sources in the next two decades. The program aims to make Japan less vulnerable to an oil crisis.

The Food and Drug Administration is proposing a ban on more than 100 ingredients in over-the-counter diet pills, saying there is no proof that they work and one may even cause choking.

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#90303u0203 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

TBILISI, Georgia, U.S.S.R. (OCT. 30) UPI - The pro-independence Round Table-Free Georgia bloc won a landslide victory that will sweep the the Communists from power in Georgia's first free elections in 70 years, Georgian television said Tuesday.

The television said that Round Table has received 70 percent of the votes in Sunday's elections, while the Communists had mustered 20 percent.

Georgian election commission chairman Irakli Zhordania said on Monday preliminary results showed the opposition group received roughly twice as many votes as the Communists. Another election official estimated Round Table with 60 percent of the vote.

''Nobody expected such a big advantage for Round Table,'' Zhordania said. ''Everywhere throughout Georgia, the advantage went to Round Table.''

Pre-election polls had shown the Communists polling 30 percent with Round Table second with 21.5 and the rest of the population undecided or favoring one of the other nine blocs participating.

Final official results were expected to be available in two days, but Zhordania said enough results were in to declare Round Table the clear winner.

''This was the first time we have had multiparty elections that expressed the true will of the people,'' Zhordania said. ''This moment can be considered one of the most decisive in the life our country.''

''I want to congratulate the Round Table and its leader Ziad Gamsakhurdia for their victory on behalf of the elction commision,'' Zhordania said. ''I hope they can fulfill all the ideas and promises for a better future of our country.''

Round Table has vowed to seek independence from Moscow, although officials from the party refuse to speculate on a timetable.

Gamsakhurdia, founder of the Georgia Helsinki Watch Group and imprisoned as a political dissident for two years under Leonid Brezhnev, is likely to be elected president of Georgia when the new 250-member parliament convenes.

The results vindicated the prediction of Gamsakhurdia, who said before the polls that his opposition bloc would gain a parliamentary majority if the vote counting was fair.

Monday night, a victory rally, held by several thousand Round Table supporters in front of the government building, closed Tbilisi's main Rustaveli Avenue.

After Gamsakhurdia spoke and the rally was breaking up, a man fired a starter's pistol with a blank, causing a brief panic, and the man who fired the dud pistol was seized.

Because of previous shootings connected with the campaign, the incident caused alarm. In the run-up to the elections, shots had been fired into candidate's homes.

On Friday, the leader of National Democratic Party Georgi Chanturia was wounded in the arm, and the assailant has not been caught.

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(OCT. 30) UPI - Around the world, around the clock, the latest news from U-P-I...

French hostages used by Iraqi leaders Saddam Hussein as human shields are back home in Paris. A Boeing 747 whisked more than 260 French citizens held in Iraq and Kuwait to the French capital, where they were greeted by friends and relatives bearing champagne.

Former President Reagan says he has lost a ''dear friend.'' William French Smith... who traveled to Washington with Reagan in 1981... died of cancer yesterday in Los Angeles at the age of 73. The ex-attorney general helped carry out Reagan's conservative agenda during his stint at the Justice Department.

One high school student in Charlestown, Indiana, says she and her classmates ''started crying'' after learning that another student had taken hostages at gunpoint. But the more than eight-hour ordeal ended yesterday with Eli Dean surrendering to police. The hostages were freed and NO shots were fired.

The United Auto Workers union is urging 67-thousand Chrysler employees to

report to work today, even though they don't have a contract. The U-A-W and Chrysler are still at the bargaining table in Highland, Michigan... negotiating past a midnight strike deadline, when a contract extension expired.

A report by Senate staff investigators says more information remains to be reviewed... but the available evidence says some Vietnam prisoners of war may still be alive. The report also states that American P-O-W's were held in Vietnam after the Pentagon said there were NONE.

A jury in Dallas will decide a more than 20-year-old dispute over who owns the .38 caliber pistol that killed Lee Harvey Oswald. A judge has ordered an attorney holding the gun that killed the Kennedy assassin to produce it and other items from the Jack Ruby estate for the opening of the trial today.

New York police are searching for a suspect in a fatal shooting on a Manhattan subway yesterday. Authorities say a retired police officer was shot and killed with his own gun after he tried to stop a robbery. The would-be robber fled after shooting the officer in the eye.

Nelson Mandela is asking Japan for financial help in educating young South African blacks. The black nationalist leader made his appeal to Japan's parliament as he continues a fund-raising swing through Asia. Mandela will meet with opposition party members and labor leaders in Tokyo.

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#90303u0248 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 30) UPI - Vietnam has accepted a U.S. proposal to station a permanent U.S. representative in Hanoi for the first time to deal with efforts to account for Americans still missing in action from the Vietnam War, Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach said Tuesday.

Thach also dismissed a Senate report that there was evidence Americans were still be held captive in Iraq.

He said retired Army general John Vessey, who is special presidential representative on MIAs, made the proposal during a meeting in Washington on Oct. 17.

''I accepted immediately,'' Thach told a small group of reporters at Bangkok airport.

''He will be the representative of the special envoy of the president of the United States. So you could not say it is a private arrangement,'' he said.

It would be the first time the United States has had a such a full- time representative in communist Vietnam.

He said he did not know when the representative would arrive, but that Vietnam was already arranging for housing.

U.S. military teams have visited Vietnam repeatedly for joint efforts to account for the 1,677 Americans still listed as missing in action in Vietnam.

But he said the agreement on the MIA representative and his first visit to Washington were signs of progress in relations with the United States.

Thach reacted with a chuckle to an interim report issued Monday by the Republican staff of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee which said there was evidence that Americans may still be held against their will in Vietnam.

''It is clear that this is totally false,'' Thach said.

''If any American who has information on living Americans or the remains of MIAs they can come to Vietnam and have all the facilities to go directly to the spot, but they must pay their expenses,'' he said.

He said such Americans should first go through U.S. channels, but if they insisted on a private visit it would be allowed.

Thach said he has issued this challenge to Americans who contend there are still live American prisoners in Vietnam before, but no one has taken him up on the offer.

He also disputed reports that the Vietnamese government was stockpiling the remains of missing Americans.

''Yes, there is storage of American remains, but it is not a government warehouse,'' he said.

He said more than 700 remains have been recovered from private Vietnamese traders attempting to use them to obtain rewards or visas from the U.S. government.

American forensic teams have investigated nearly 300 of the remains and concluded that none of the remains were American, he said.

''I am very annoyed with this barbarous trade, (but) it is a bonus of the former U.S. propaganda about MIAs,'' he said.

Thach said his visit to Washington and his talks with Secretary of State James Baker in mid-October were signs of progress in U.S.- Vietnamese relations.

He declined to speculate when the United States would end its economic embargo against Vietnam, but said pressure was rising from the private business community.

''Since the crisis in the Gulf, the smell of oil in Vietnnam has been detected from very far away,'' he said.

Vietnam has already discovered two major offshore oilfields now being exploited by a Soviet-Vietnamese joint venture and it has signed contracts with eight foreign oil firms for further exploration.

Thach said U.S., Japanese and Thai oil companies were interested in winning exploration rights.

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#90303u0250 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

STUTTGART, Germany (OCT. 30) UPI - A U.S. Army helicopter hit a high tension wire and crashed in southern Germany killing the two crew aboard, a military spokesman said Tuesday.

He identified the victims as Chief Warrant Officers Clarence E. Hall, 24, of Coeburn, Va., and John A. Wilkinson, 32, of Colinga, Calif.

Both were attached to the 11th Aviation Brigade.

He said the helicopter apparently hit a high tension wire before crashing to the ground Monday night. U.S. military officials were investigating the crash.

The spokesman said the chopper, an AH-64 Apache, was on a routine training flight when it crashed near the southern German town of Erlangen.

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#90303u0296 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - President Bush says that he still is working to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis peacefully. Bush says the U-S military force in the region- in his words- ''is sending an enormously strong signal to Saddam Hussein .''

Negotiators for the United Auto Workers and Chrysler Corporation continued talking this morning even after a midnight strike deadline passed. A contract extension expired, but the union is urging its workers to report to their jobs today.

Southeast Asian economic ministers meeting in Bali expressed their alarm today over the stalled Uruguay Round of multi- lateral trade talks. The Uruguay round and trade liberalization are the main concerns of the ministers on the second day of their two-day session.

A report released by the Alan Guttmacher Institute says one out of every seven

babies in the Western Hemisphere is born to a teen-age mother. The study says by age 20, about 10 percent of all women in Canada and 20 percent of all women in the United States have given birth to their first child.

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#90303u0361 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - Cool fall weather chilled the eastern half of the country Tuesday as clear skies covered much of the nation and showers soaked the Northwest.

Temperatures dipped below freezing for the first time this season in many parts of the Middle Atlantic states, New England and the Midwest and frost warnings were posted in several states.

A huge high pressure system covering the region brought the cold weather, but temperatures began to warm and winds shifted to the southwest.

A frost warning was in effect for Piedmont, S.C. and scattered frost was expected in the midlands and northwest parts of the state.

The Pacific Northwest continued to play host to the nation's worst weather, this time with showers and winds reaching 25 mph and lows in the mid 40s. The rain was expected to continue through the day.

Dense fog blanketed the Southern California coast for the second day in a row Tuesday, cutting visibility to near zero in San Diego.

Fog also covered southern Texas, where visibility was a half mile in Kingsville and was limited all along the coast bend.

Clear skies extended from the Plains, where Iowa had temperatures in the 50s and winds of 10 to 15 mph, to New England, where highs in Boston only were expected in the 50s.

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#90303u0371 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - A U-S Army helicopter hit a high tension wire and crashed in southern Germany last night, killing the two crewmen aboard. A military spokesman identified the victims as Chief Warrant Officers Clarence Hall of Coeburn, Virginia, and John Wilkinson of Colinga, California.

Two Soviet cosmonauts spent nearly three hours in open space today, but failed to completely repair a hatch that has plagued the Mir space station. The hatch malfuncton had defied repair since July when the last two occupants of the space station damaged it during a space walk.

A Thai military spokesman says Thailand has begun preparing office space, staging areas, airbases and transport routes for the estimated 20-thousand member United Nations force to be dispatched to Cambodia once a peace accord is reached. But more fighting in Cambodia is expected before a settlement can be worked out.

Speaking to the Japanese Parliament today, South African black leader Nelson Mandela called Japan's contributions to black South Africans ''absolutely insignificant.'' Mandela asked Japan to make a serious commitment to the education and care of black youths in South Africa.

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#90303u0398 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (OCT. 30) UPI - President Corazon Aquino said Tuesday she will not seek re-election in June 1992.

''No, I'm not,'' Aquino snapped when asked during a news conference with foreign reporters if she would run again at the end of her six-year term.

A presidential fact-finding panel which looked into a series of coup attempts reported earlier this month one of the causes of political instability in the republic was Aquino's failure to state categorically her political plans.

Aquino also rejected proposals by the political opposition for amnesty for leaders of recent coup attempts and said any amnesty must be based on justice.

However, she said she was willing to consider clemency for those who were ''hoodwinked'' into joining the rebellions.

Meanwhile, police detonated a bomb concealed in a plastic bag delivered by a boy to a company associated with Aquino's Trade Secretary Jose Concepcion, who is facing corruption charges. Concepcion's offices have been the target of several bomb attacks blamed on rebel soldiers.

Aquino also said she favored a new relationship with the United States that would not only focus on its military presence in the country but other aspects as well.

Aquino, 57, the housewife who was swept to power in a civilian-backed military revolt in February 1986, had on a number of occasions announced she would not run again.

However, speculation persists that while Aquino, who has crushed seven military rebellions, has no intention of seeking another term she may yield to pressure from her family and close advisers and stand again.

She also has on several occasions fueled speculation on her political plans.

Once, she said her lawyers had told her the constitution does not bar her from seeking another term.

On another occasion, she stated she was encouraging speculation about her political future after critics said being a lame duck was one of the burdens of her presidency.

Asked when she will officially declare if she is or is not going to be a candidate, Aquino said, ''The fact that I have never declared that I will run - I think we should leave it at that.''

She declined to name her most likely successors. She said there were six or seven names prominently mentioned.

''I will not be stupid to name three and get the other four running after me. I have enough problems as it is. I will just wait for the opportune time when we know for sure who are the candidates,'' Aquino said.

She said she did not wish to suggest the main issues in the coming polls to the potential candidates.

''In the same way that I have this thing about unsolicited advice, I guess some of them will also be thinking that way.

''But if I am asked, certainly, and I like the candidate, I will not only give suggestions, but I will really be helping in the campaign,'' Aquino said.

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#90303u0422 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 30) UPI - Japanese manufacturing companies shipped $2.17 trillion worth of goods in 1989, up 8.9 percent over the preceding year and the highest year-on-year increase since 1980, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry reported Tuesday.

A 16.7 percent increase was recorded in 1980, the ministry said.

The ministry said investments in plant and equipment by manufacturers with 30 or more employees surged 23.6 percent to $111 billion, the largest growth since 1970 when investment rose 23.8 percent over the preceding year.

Aichi Prefecture, a state in central western Japan where Japan's top automaker Toyota Motor Corp. is based, posted the largest amount of manufacturing shipments with $258.7 billion worth of products, the ministry said.

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#90303u0444 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 30) UPI - NEC Corp. said Tuesday it would invest $620 million to build a factory for manufacturing 16-megabit dynamic access memory chips, the next generation of computer storage devices.

The company said the facility, to be built at its subsidiary in Japan's southernmost main island of Kyushu, is scheduled to start operation in the summer of 1992.

The new plant will manufacture 4 million units a month when production is a top capacity, NEC said.

''Our decision is aimed at meeting future growth in demand for large- scale memory chips,'' a spokesman for the company said.

The spokesman said NEC plans to start sample shipments early next year. Other major electronics firms such as Hitachi, Toshiba and Mitsubishi Electric have announced decisions to manufacture 16 megabit DRAMs. They plan to start sample shipments toward the end of this year or early next year.

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CHARLESTOWN, Ind. (OCT. 30) UPI - A teenager suspended from school took a teacher and about 15 students hostage at gunpoint in a high school classroom, gradually releasing his captives until the standoff ended more than eight hours later.

The suspect, Eli Dean, who had been suspended twice in the past two weeks, did not fire a shot during the siege Monday and no injuries were reported.

Dean, 17 released his final hostage - his cousin, Jason Dean - as he surrendered to the Indiana State Police. At one point about seven hours into the standoff he released two hostages in exchange for pizza, authorities said.

''Jason told us he was staying there for Eli's safety. He was worried about Eli,'' said Sgt. John Mann of the state police, one of the officers who negotiated with Eli Dean.

Dean was distraught because of being suspended from classes but made no specific demands during the siege, said ISP Sgt. Marvin Jenkins. He reportedly went to the school to speak to Melody Money, described by another student as his favorite teacher.

Police said Dean walked into her classroom at 11:10 a.m. and displayed a handgun in front of Money and about 15 students.

''I'm not going to hurt nobody. I just want to get drunk,'' he told them, according to student Sarah Burchett. He had a fifth of whiskey with him, she

said.

Dean agreed to let some of the students leave the room immediately but six of them and the teacher were detained.

Around 2 p.m., freshman Stacy Medelli was allowed to leave and the teacher was permitted to leave a short time later.

Eventually, four more students were allowed to depart, leaving Dean with just one hostage before the standoff ended around 7:30 p.m.

''We felt there was a serious threat to everybody. He threatened suicide throughout the day,'' Mann said.

Dean was suspended once for triggering a fire alarm and a second time for breaking a window.

''I guess it upset him,'' said classmate Amanda Garr.

''Everybody accused him of being a bad guy and he kind of got fed up with it. I guess he was going to show them how bad he couuld really be,'' said Brandy Gregory, an area student who spoke with one of the released hostages.

Still, Garr said she and other students were stunned that Dean would create a hostage situation.

''Eli, to me, is the best guy anybody could ever ask for,'' she said. ''Something got in him and he's gone crazy about it. He's a very good guy. He wouldn't hurt anybody.''

Garr said she and other students at first thought a bomb threat had been called when the rest of the school's 643 students were told to leave the building and assemble in the football field.

''We found out it was Eli and everybody started crying,'' she said.

Police said Dean apparently had confidence in Money because she had counseled him over previous problems he had at home.

The youth's parents and stepfather, Rocky Williams, were called to the school to help police negotiators.

Williams said he believes Dean took his .44-caliber revolver from their home.

Dean's father, Robin Dean, is a weighmaster for the Indiana State Police.

All other personnel in the school were evacuated while a SWAT team moved into place and state police negotiators made contact with Dean and the evacuated

students were sent home for the day.

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#90303u0470 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 30) UPI - Vietnam's foreign minister says his nation has accepted a U-S proposal to station a permanent American representative in Hanoi to deal with efforts to account for Americans still missing in action from the Vietnam War. It would be the first time the United States has had such a full-time representative in communist Vietnam.

Senate staff investigators issued a report yesterday that said American prisoners of war were held in Vietnam after the Pentagon said there were NONE, and some probably are still alive. The report said ''The information available to the U-S government does NOT rule out the probability that U-S citizens are still being held in Southeast Asia.''

Police in Beirut say the deputy director of a pro-Syrian weekly magazine was wounded last night in an attack outide his apartment house in the mainly Moslem sector of Beirut. Gunmen opened fire and shot the man in the chest. A statement by the magazine said the attack was aimed at undermining present Syrian-backed government efforts to restore law and order.

Authorities in Manila say at least two people were killed and others are missing after a concrete bridge collapsed today and dumped eight vehicles into the water. Police said rescuers are searching for the commuters following the cracking and collapse of the right lane of the Sevilla bridge. Authorities said a heavy corn truck may have caused the bridge to crack.

Officials in the Soviet republic of Georgia say the pro-independence Round Table-Free Georgia bloc won a landslide victory in weekend elections. The election results will oust the communists in Georgia's first free elections in 70 years. A television report said that Round Table received 70 percent of the votes in Sunday's elections, while the Communists got only 20 percent.

The Food and Drug Administration wants to ban 111 ingredients in NON-prescription diet drugs. The F-D-A says manufacturers of those ingredients failed to submit data to show that the ingredients worked. The F-D-A's proposed rule changes will be published today in the Federal Register and will be followed by a 60-day comment period.

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#90303u0509 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA (OCT. 30) UPI - Axl Rose, lead singer for the heavy metal band Guns 'N Roses, was arrested early Tuesday for allegedly bashing a neighbor woman over the head with a wine bottle, authorities said.

The altercation occurred at the condominium building where they both live, sheriff's Deputy John Ashley said.

Gabriela Kantor, 37, was returning to her condo when Rose confronted her in a hallway, Ashley said.

''Words were exchanged between the two of them,'' he said. ''Rose took Kantor's keys away from her and threw them off the 12th floor to the ground below.''

''Rose then took a bottle of wine away from Kantor and emptied the contents (onto the floor) and then hit her over the head with the bottle,'' Ashley said.

Kantor was taken to Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, where she was treated for a concussion and was held for observation, Ashley said.

Rose was arrested inside his condo and booked at the West Hollywood sheriff's station on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon. Bail was set at $5,000.

Ashley said Kantor and Rose have been involved in an on-going dispute over the past few months about the loud music she claimed he was playing.

''Apparently the source of this is (that) Rose knows that she has been the source of deputies coming to the location on prior occasions,'' Ashley said.

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DETROIT (OCT. 30) UPI - City officials imposed a curfew and mobilized more than 35,000 volunteers and nearly 3,500 block clubs in hopes of stifling Detroit's traditional Devil's Night arson spree Tuesday night.

In the past decade, the night before Halloween has become an excuse for firebugs to go on a rampage, torching abandoned houses, parked cars and trash bins. Many fires have spread to occupied homes.

This year, Mayor Coleman A. Young and city workers have launched their most aggressive anti-arson campaign. In addition to the army of volunteers, seven special Fire Department command stations will be set up.

Department of Public Works crews have razed more than 600 abandoned buildings in the past several weeks and the Police Department has towed abandoned cars that might attract arsonists.

A 6 p.m.-to-6 a.m. curfew began Monday for unescorted youths under 18. As of 10 p.m. Monday, 113 people had been arrested on curfew violation charges, compared to 136 for the same period last year. The curfew ends at 6 a.m. Thursday.

Detroit's Devil's Night mobilization, now in its sixth year, has had an impact. Fires have dropped 72 percent since the peak in 1984, when a record 810 fires burned over the three-day Halloween period. Last year, there were 223 fires over three days.

''We hope that the period will come in the not-too-far future when the Halloween period will be looked upon as any other period - and it will not be necessary to take unusual steps,'' Young said. ''But until that day comes, we will do whatever we have to do to keep it under control.''

Alarmed by the international publicity over Devil's Night, Young carefully controls access to arson statistics. No official figures are released until several days after Halloween - and those figures come from the mayor's office.

Traditionally, the areas hit hardest by Devil's Night arsonists are the older, poorer sections of the city with closely packed wooden houses pockmarked by vacant buildings and crack houses. Many sections of the city, however, remain virtually untouched.

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#90303u0587 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN (OCT. 30) UPI - The Minnesota Vikings board of directors passed a resolution Monday that Roger Headrick will be elected president and chief executive officer of the club effective Jan. 1

Wheelock Whitney will relinquish his post as president. Headrick's selection is subject to the development of an agreement satisfactory to Headrick and the board, the club said in a statement.

Mike Lynn, executive vice president and general manager of the Vikings, will continue to serve in that capacity until the end of the year and will work with Headrick in acquainting him with the club's operations, the team said.

Lynn said he give up his title of general manager at the end of the year but would retain the title of executive vice president. Lynn is leaving the team to head the new World League of American Football.

''After Jan. 1, my priorities will change,'' Lynn said in the statement released by the club. ''Between now and the, I will be dividing my time between the Vikings and the World League. And I will be working with Roger to achieve what we all want, the successful operation of the Vikings and a smooth management transition.''

Headrick, 54, has worked for several large companies in the Twin Cities in the past, and most recently was the chief financial officer of Pillsbury.

Headrick admits he does not have much experience with sports franchises... but says ''The Vikings have a tradition of success and my job will be to carry on that tradition.''

''A number of clubs in the National Football League have structures similar to what we are planning here,'' Whitney said, ''and, in fact, this is the way the Vikings were structured at one time. I have been serving as a part-time president of this corporation and what we are talking about now is a full-time job. I simply do not have the time to spend the hours that are necessary to serve in this position. In my opinion and the opinion of the officers of this corporation, Roger Headrick is the right man for the job.''

Headrick's appointment on a 6-3 vote by the board follows a recent announcement by NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue that he will resolve an ownership dispute over the club. A faction led by Whitney and Lynn is fighting for control against a faction led by Minnesota Twins owner Carl Pohlad and businessman Irwin Jacobs.

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(OCT. 30) UPI - Price on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed lower Tuesday in light trading in the absence of fresh market-affecting news.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which gained 323.67 points Monday, slipped 86.91 points to 25,242.40.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all listed major issues lost 10.83 points to 1,865.24.

Trading was slow with turnover estimated at 400 million shares, down from 526 million shares Monday.

Declines outpaced advances 611 to 338, while 162 issues remained unchanged.

Analysts said most professional investors stayed on the sidelines in the absence of fresh news on the Middle East situation.

''The market was due for some technical easing, but there were still a lot of investors buying on the downside,'' Yoko Kamiki a trader at Daiwa Securities Co. said.

''The market seems stronger than it should be,'' Kamiki added.

Analysts explained local investors were discouraged by the Japanese yen's sharp fall against the dollar in Tokyo.

On the Tokyo Foreign Exchange, the U.S. dollar soared against the Japanese yen

despite a Federal Reserve decision to cut short-term interest rate.

The dollar closed at 129.00 yen, jumping 1.65 yen from Monday's close of 127.35 yen, the Bank of Japan reported.

On the trading floor, constructions were generally lower. Steels, shipbuildings and high-tech issues also weakened along with energy- related issues.

Rubbers, chemicals and nonferrous metals closed higher.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks fell sharply in light trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, hammered by a lower-than-expected close on Wall Street and renewed pessimism over the Gulf crisis.

The Hang Seng Index, which gained 12.65 points Monday, plunged 51.88 points or 1.7 percent, to 3,011.65.

Among the narrower indexes, financials lost 14.35 points, industrials shed 46.71, utilities plunged 88.38 and properties dropped 86.63 points.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 859.6 million shares, compared with 1.09 billion shares changing hands Monday.

Analysts said an expected rally on Wall Street over the passing of a U.S. deficit-reducing budget failed to materialize, sending issues tumbling.

''Wall Street did not do well and that had a lot to do with the sentiment in Hong Kong turning entirely to the bear's side,'' said Herman Lam of Asia Equitites.

''The hopeful peace seems to have evaporated in the Gulf and that hurt the market as well,'' Lam said.

In Singapore, stocks dipped in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange following the lower closing in Tokyo and the continuing stalemate in the Persian Gulf.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which gained 2.12 points Monday, fell 12.28 points to 1,164.83. The broader-based All Singapore Index fell 2.53 points to 324.21.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 27.4 million shares, compared with 39.2 million shares changing hands Monday.

Trading remained quiet as many local investors were less willing to take up big positions due to uncertainty in the Middle East, analysts said.

Market watchers explained said the market was overbought and is likely to consolidate further before attempting to break the 1,200 resistance level on the Straits Times Index.

On the trading floor, the foreign and local shares of Singapore Airlines plunged 80 cents and 20 cents to $13.20 and $10 respectively after the national carrier announced a lower interim profit and a gloomy forecast for the full year.

Other losers included, UOB foreign shares easing 50 cents to $5.50 and Shangri-la slipping 35 cents to $5.50.

Gainers included, DBS added 20 cents to $9.50, CI Holdings gained 15 cents to $2.48 and Far East Shipping added 15 cents to $6.20.
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(OCT. 30) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE U.S.A - TUESDAY

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Anchorage pc	34	16	....
Asheville sy	70	33	....
Atlanta sy	71	45	....
Baltimore sy	63	39	....
Billings pc	70	45	....
Birmingham sy	75	39	....
Bismarck sy	65	32	....
Boston sy	55	44	....
Brownsville sy	84	63	....
Buffalo sy	58	40	....
Burlington Vt. sy	52	34	....
Charleston S.C. sy	70	45	....
Charlotte sy	68	39	....
Chicago sy	72	47	....
Cincinnati sy	71	44	....
Cleveland sy	64	45	....
Columbus Ohio sy	67	42	....
Dallas sy	84	55	....
Denver sy	75	43	....
Des Moines sy	73	46	....
Detroit sy	65	39	....
Duluth sy	54	36	....
El Paso sy	80	49	....
Evansville sy	72	45	....
Fargo sy	62	35	....

Hartford sy	58	38	....
Honolulu sy	85	72	.03
Houston sy	81	54	....
Indianapolis sy	69	45	....
Jackson Miss. sy	78	40	....
Jacksonville sy	77	52	....
Kansas City sy	78	52	....
Las Vegas sy	86	56	....
Little Rock sy	75	46	....
Los Angeles pc	79	61	....
Louisville sy	71	43	....
Memphis sy	74	50	....
Miami Beach pc	82	70	....
Milwaukee sy	65	43	....
Minneapolis f	61	41	....
Nashville sy	71	45	....
New Orleans sy	78	52	....
New York sy	58	48	....
Oklahoma City sy	80	54	....
Omaha sy	73	44	....
Orlando pc	82	61	....
Philadelphia sy	62	43	....
Phoenix f	92	68	....
Pittsburgh sy	64	43	....
Portland Me. sy	54	36	.03
Portland Ore. r	57	45	.24
Providence sy	58	41	....
Richmond sy	66	40	....
St. Louis sy	75	49	....
Salt Lake City sy	74	49	....
San Antonio sy	81	57	....
San Diego pc	74	62	....
San Francisco pc	65	53	....
San Juan sy	91	75	....
Seattle r	55	42	.31
Spokane r	50	36	.02
Tampa pc	82	62	....
Washington sy	65	42	....
Wichita sy	81	53	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy

mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - The New York Daily News began hiring replacements for Newspaper Guild writers and editors who have gone out on strike, newspaper officials said.

Several New York and New Jersey journalists who had placed their resumes on file at the News said they had received job offers from the newspaper on Monday. The offers all apparently were on the condition that the journalists, who asked not to be identified, report to the News by the end of this week.

Asked late Monday if the newspaper was hiring replacement editors and reporters, News spokeswoman Lisa Robinson said the publication was ''in the process of replacing all workers who are members of striking unions.''

''Last week union members exercised their right to strike. This week we at the paper are exercising our legal right to replace all the strikers,'' Robinson said.

Striking News workers continued early Tuesday to rally outside a Brooklyn printing plant, where a protest last Thursday grew into a full- blown and sometimes violent strike over a contract agreement.

All trade unions employed at the paper, except the printers union, have joined the job action.

Since Friday the paper has been put out by management members who have written some of the copy themselves, while relying heavily on wire service reports.

Mayor David Dinkins met with George McDonald, head of the Allied Printing Trades Council, the umbrella group for the striking unions, at Grace Mansion Monday evening.

The mayor also invited News publisher James Hoge to the meeting but Hoge had declined to meet with the unions.

Following the meeting, Robinson late Monday said, ''We're hopeful that they mayor's meeting with union leadership was productive and that he prevailed on

the unions to stop the violence, vandalism and intimidation of those newstand operators who make their living selling the Daily News.''

Police said 21 striking News workers have been arrested since the walkout was first declared Thursday. The bitter confrontation has seen delivery trucks firebombed and scores of replacement workers pelted with bottles, stones and eggs.

The strike brought to a boil a simmering dispute that began 10 months ago when the Tribune Co. of Chicago, which owns the News, opened contract talks vowing to seek millions of dollars in cost reductions and impose sweeping control of hours and working conditions.

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#90303u0630 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (OCT. 30) UPI - The World Methodist Council has announced that its 1990 Peace Award will go to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, the winner of this year's Nobel Peace Prize.

The Rev. Joe Hale, chief executive of the 500-member council, announced the award on Monday in the United Methodist Reporter published in Dallas. He said Gorbachev had agreed to accept the honor.

''Mr. Gorbachev does not profess to be a Christian but since the late 1980s, and especially since the Millenium Celebration of the Conversion of Russia in 1988, he has taken steps to free churches in the U.S.S.R. from oppressive laws that have prohibited the full expression of Christian witness and deprived the church of land and properties,'' the award announcement said.

Gorbachev is the 11th person to receive the World Methodist Peace Award. Others include Egyptian President Anwar Sadat in 1978, South African Methodist leader Abel Hendricks in 1979 and former President Jimmy Carter in 1985.

The award was created in 1976 to recognize individuals pursuring peace and reconciliation between people and nations.

The council represents 64 Methodist denomiantions worldwide.

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#90303u0651 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 29: Purchases of 324,541 shares and sales of 518,655 shares including 35,310 shares sold short.

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#90303u0656 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - A boiler explosion aboard the U-S-S Iwo Jima in the Persian Gulf killed at least six American sailors today. At least four others were injured. A Navy spokesman said the ship was scheduled to be taking part in amphibious exercises at the time of the accident. Navy spokesman Lieutenant Commander Alan Dooley said the 602-foot-long amphibious assault ship was being towed back to port in Manama after the engines were shut down as a precaution. He said the wounded sailors all suffered ''steam burns'' and were taken by helicopter to a hospital ship.

U-S military officials are investigating the crash of an Army helicopter that killed two crewmen in southern Germany last night. A military spokesman says the helicopter hit a high tension wire and crashed near the town of Erlangen.

More than 260 French hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait were flown to Paris last night. Before the freed hostages arrived, the French government announced that it would comply with an Iraqi request to send medicine to Baghdad aboard the plane that carried the hostages to freedom.

Iraqi Airways says one of its freight aircraft is tentatively scheduled to land in Geneva on Thursday to pick up a a shipment of medicines. The Swiss government announced yesterday that it would allow the flight because medicines are humanitarian supplies permitted under United Nations sanctions.

Authorities in West Hollywood, California, say Axl Rose, the lead singer for the heavy metal band Guns 'n Roses, has been arrested after he reportedly hit a neighbor woman over the head with a wine bottle early today. A police spokesman said the woman and Rose have been involved in an on-going dispute during the past few months about the loud music she claimed he was playing.

Television reports in the Soviet Georgian republic are telling of a big victory for the opposition and a big loss for communists in Sunday's elections. The pro-independence Round Table-Free Georgia bloc reportedly received 70 percent of the vote to 20 percent for the Communists.

Former Attorney General William French Smith died yesterday of cancer at the age of 73. Smith resigned as attorney general in January 1984, but his departure was delayed for months while a special prosecutor investigated Edwin Meese after allegations that Meese received financial help from friends who got government jobs. Meese eventually was cleared.

Philippine President Corazon Aquino said at a news conference today that she will NOT seek another term when her six years in office expire in June 1992. However, there is speculation that Aquino may eventually give in to pressure from her family and close advisers to run again.

Authorities in Seoul, South Korea, say 40 people were arrested and about 150

others are being sought for forming an underground leftist organization planning armed uprisings. The Korean version of the C-I-A says the group tried to organize more than 16-hundred students, workers, farmers, politicians and other activists into a nationwide network.

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#90303u0665 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

VATICAN CITY (OCT. 30) UPI - American Archbishop Paul Marcinkus, central figure in a Vatican Bank scandal that rocked the Catholic Church in the early 1980s, has resigned from Vatican service after 40 years, the Vatican announced Tuesday.

The brief Vatican announcement said Pope John Paul II had accepted the resignation of Marcinkus as head of the Pontifical Commission for the Vatican City State, the job he has held since he was replaced as president of the Vatican bank in June, 1989.

Apparently reflecting the pope's reluctance to see Marcinkus go, the announcement said Marcinkus presented his resignation ''insistently'' and would remain a ''consultant'' of the same Pontifical Commission.

Marcinkus, 68, said he planned to return to the United States to work as a simple parish priest in his native Chicago archdiocese.

''I am very grateful to the Holy Father for having granted my request to retire from Vatican service and return to the United States,'' he said.

The towering son of Lithuanian parents, born in the Chicago suburb of Cicero, Ill. on Jan. 15, 1922, Marcinkus had served in various Vatican posts for 40 years. He was president of the Vatican bank - formally known as the Institute for Religious Works (IOR) - from 1971 until June 1989, when the Vatican appointed a five-man Supervising Council to head the bank.

The scandal linked with his name erupted in 1982 when the Milan-based Banco Ambrosiano, then Italy's largest private bank, collapsed with debts of $1.287 billion.

Italian investigators accused Marcinkus of being partly responsible for the crash because of his close banking ties with Ambrosiano President Roberto Calvi. Calvi fled to London, where he was found hanging by the neck under a Thames river bridge in September 1982.

A coroner's court first ruled Calvi's death was suicide, but after a second hearing it returned an open verdict, leaving open the possibility that Calvi was murdered.

Milan magistrates issued arrest warrants against Marcinkus and two other

Vatican bank directors, charging them with ''complicity in fradulent bankruptcy.'' But the Vatican refused to hand them over and later Italy's top appeals court and its Constitutional Court ruled that Italian legal authorities had no jurisdiction over the sovereign Vatican City State.

The pope showed his confidence in Marcinkus, who formerly acted as a bodyguard on papal trips, by maintaining him as bank president until the bank was reformed in 1989.

The Vatican always denied any wrongdoing in connection with the Banco Ambrosiano collapse. But in 1984 it paid $240.9 million to Ambrosiano creditors as a ''goodwill gesture.''

In a magazine interview at the time, Marcinkus said he told Vatican officials: ''You are crazy. If we are not guilty we should not pay.''

''I have nothing to be ashamed of in what I have done,'' Marcinkus told the magazine. ''I could be ashamed of one thing, and that is to have perhaps had too much faith in Roberto Calvi. But that was not difficult because Calvi had an excellent reputation in the banking community.''

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#90303u0694 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

ST. LOUIS (OCT. 30) UPI - Scientists have detected a new abnormality in the brains of suicide victims, a discovery that may lead to better ways of identifying and treating suicide-prone people, it was reported Tuesday.

Researchers from New York University and Israel's Weizmann Institute of Science compared the brain chemistry of 12 people who committed suicide and were not on psychiatric drugs with 12 people who died of other causes.

Researchers found suicide victims' brain cells had between two and nine times the number of protein structures called mu opioid receptors as other people's brain cells. The biggest difference was seen in areas of the brain involved with sensory and motor function.

The people who killed themselves also had 50 percent less of another type of opioid receptor, called delta, in several brain regions, including the area that governs memory.

No differences were found between the two groups for another type of opioid receptor involved in pain perception, called kappa.

''We may be able to find a whole new family of drugs that act on these receptors, help treat depression and prevent suicide,'' said Anat Biegon, a neurobiologist at New York University and co-author of the study.

However, Biegon emphasized it is still not known if living people who attempt suicide or non-suicidal depressed people have opioid receptor imbalances similar to suicide victims'. Another unanswered question is whether the unsual distribution of receptors stems from too high or too low levels of opioids in the brain.

Past studies have linked suicide only to changes involving the brain chemicals serotonin and norepinephrine. But the new study, presented at the Society for Neuroscience's annual meeting, is the first to associate changes in the opioid system with suicide.

Opioids, which are naturally occuring chemicals in the body, induce pain-killing and euphoria-producing effects similar to opium-based drugs like heroin and morphine.

Doctors previously had observed that severely depressed patients experience a reduced ability to experience pleasure and are more likely to suffer from chronic pain than non-depressed people.

Changes in opioid-binding receptors in the brains of living people now can be mapped by sophisticated imaging techinques like positron emission tomography, or PET, Biegon said.

If the findings in dead people hold up in living patients, it is possible PET could be used to detect which depressed people are most likely to kill themselves. There presently are no reliable biochemical markers to help psychiatrists determine which patients are at greatest risk for suicide.

In contrast to the opioid system, there is currently no good way of tracking norepinephrine activity and only limited means of tracking serotonin activity in the brains of living people, Biegon noted.

''I hope this gets people interested in new directions for research that may in time result in clinical interventions,'' the scientist said. ''The opioid system has not received a lot of attention in suicide.''

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BONN, GERMANY (OCT. 30) UPI - Parliament ratified two treaties Tuesday settling the withdrawal of 380,000 Soviet troops from former East German territory and Germany's contribution to the removal costs.

Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said the treaties set a new beginning for German-Soviet relations.

Soviet and German government officials agreed that Germany will pay $7.6 billion for withdrawing by 1994 the 380,000 Soviet soldiers stationed in what

used to be East Germany.

The bilateral agreement over the costs of the withdrawal, signed Oct. 9, six days after German unification, also includes a $2 billion loan to the Soviet Union that will carry no interest for five years.

The second agreement, signed Oct. 12, settles the details of the removal of the troops and sets conditions under which the soldiers and their families will live until they return home.

German legislators ratified both treaties by an overwhelming majority.

Genscher stressed that the Soviet troops are not occupational forces and have to respect German law.

He said the German government wants the Soviet authorities to stop executing sentences, especially the death penalty, against Soviet military personnel on German soil. Germany does not have the death penalty.

Genscher appealed to people to help the 600,000 Soviet civilians and soldiers in eastern Germany adapt to the new situation.

''Let us help them to find their way in this order foreign to them,'' he said.

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#90303u0729 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (OCT. 30) UPI - Thailand has begun preparing office space, staging areas, airbases and transport routes for the estimated 20,000- man U.N. force to be dispatched to Cambodia once a peace accord is reached, a Thai military spokesman said Tuesday.

But more stiff fighting in Cambodia is expected before a settlement can be worked out, said Lt. Gen. Naruedon Dejpradiyuth, the director of information for the Thai Supreme Command.

''The supreme commander has instructed the military to prepare operational locations for the U.N. officials who will be working in Cambodia after a cease-fire,'' Naruedon told reporters at a briefing.

He said he expected that 20,000 U.N. officials including a 10,000-man peacekeeping force, would arrive in Thailand early next year en route to Cambodia.

''They will use Thailand as a transit point to Cambodia,'' Naruedon said.

He said Thailand will allow the U.N. officials to use two military airports near the Thai-Cambodian border.

Naruedon said Thailand will provide office space and accommodation for the U.N. officials in military areas near the border.

''We just want to be ready, but if the Cambodians fail to settle their differences, they will carry on fighting,'' he said.

''Everyone wants to see peace in Cambodia but it depends whether the Cambodians want it or not.''

Naruedon said Thai intelligence reports indicated that the Vietnamese-backed Cambodian government and the three-party resistance have stepped up military preparations for fierce fighting during the dry season that starts about mid-November.

''They (the four factions) have adjusted their bases, mobilized and reinforced their troops,'' he said. ''The resistance also used seized tanks in the fighting.''

The three-party resistance is spearheaded by the radical Khmer Rouge, who were ousted from power by Vietnam's invasion of Cambodia in late 1978.

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#90303u0752 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) UPI - Sales of new single-family homes declined 21 percent in September to an annual rate of 503,000 units from 638,000 units in the year-earlier period, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

During the first nine months of the year, sales fell 15 percent to an annual rate of 435,000 new homes, compared with 512,000 units for the same period the year before.

The department said the median sales price of new homes was $115,000 in September while the average price was $142,3000.

At the end of September, the seasonally adjusted estimates of new houses for sale was 337,000, or an 8.4 month supply.

Sales were down in all regions of the nation, with the greatest monthly decline posted in the beleaguered Northeast. Home sales in that region fell 15.6 percent from August to September and were 12 percent below year-ago levels.

Western real estate markets appeared to offer the greatest monthly resistence to weakness. New home sales fell only 0.7 percent in the West from August to September but were down a sharp 36.4 percent from year- ago levels.

Sales of new homes in the South declined 7.8 percent from August to September and were down 14.2 percent from year-ago levels. Midwestern new home sales dipped 2.1 percent during the month and were down 10.7 percent from year-ago levels.

The sales slowdown is taking its toll on housing prices. The median sales price for a new home declined 2.8 percent during September to $115,000 from $118,400 in August.

The average sales price fell 1.6 percent to $142,300 from $144,600 in August, the department said.

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DETROIT (OCT. 30) UPI - Ford Motor Co., burdened by costly buyer incentives, new product costs and losses in both its domestic and overseas automotive operations, Tuesday reported third-quarter net income of $101.7 million, or 22 cents a share, down sharply from $477 million, or $1.03 a share, in the year-ago quarter.

But the latest results by the nation's second largest automaker were bolstered by a standard accounting change that revised the useful lives of properties, retroactive to Jan. 1. Without that change, Ford would have earned only $14.8 million, or 3 cents a share, in the latest quarter.

In the United States alone, Ford lost $17 million on its automotive business, excluding that same accounting change regarding certain fixed assets. That compared with a $37 million loss on its U.S. automotive operations in the year-ago quarter.

Outside the United States, Ford posted an $89 million loss excluding the accounting change, vs. a $324 million profit a year ago. The automaker blamed the losses on higher product costs and lower production in Europe, as well as economic woes in Brazil.

Those results caused Ford's after-tax return on sales to amount to a 0.2 percent loss, vs. 1.8 percent in the year ago quarter.

Ford also posted a reduction in earnings at its Financial Services Group, with profits slipping to $141 million, or 30 cents a share. But the reduction was due to a $69 million increase in loan-loss reserves at its First Nationwide subsidiary to cover projected losses in real estate values.

Ford's cash and marketable securities during the third quarter declined to $4.63 billion from nearly $5.8 billion as of Sept. 30, 1989.

Worldwide revenues totaled $23 billion, compared with $20.2 billion in the

1989 third quarter.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, Ford's net income amounted to $1.3 billion, or $2.80 a share, including the third quarter accounting change, down from $3.52 billion, or $7.51 a share, during the first nine months of 1989.

Worldwide nine-month sales were $75.5 billion, compared with $72 billion a year ago.

Ford is the second of the nation's Big Three automakers to report third quarter results.

Monday, Chrysler Corp. posted a third-quarter loss of $214 million, or 95 cents a share, citing the high costs of rebates, a sluggish economy, and over 56,000 units of lost minivan production as it changed over to an all-new model.

It was Chrysler's second quarterly loss since 1982, comparing with a profit of $22 million or 10 cents a share during the 1989 third quarter not counting a $309 million gain from the sale of Mitsubishi stock in the year ago quarter.

Chrysler's latest losses nearly wiped out its profits for the year so far, with nine-month earnings sinking to $37 million, or 17 cents a share, vs. $1.02 billion, or $4.38 a share, earned during the first nine months of 1989.

Industry leader General Motors Corp. was expected to report its third quarter results Wednesday, with analysts predicting the giant automaker might take a substantial writeoff by officially closing four U.S. assembly plants that were classified as ''indefinitely idled.''

Those plants include its Fiero factory in Pontiac, Mich., its Leeds plant in Kansas City, Mo., the Lakewood plant near Atlanta, and its Framingham, Mass., plant.

The writeoffs could lower GM's earnings between $700 million and $1 billion, industry analysts said.

Without the charges, GM was expected to earn between $235 million and $420 million during the quarter, or between 40 and 70 cents a share.

That compares with profits of $517 million, or 72 cents a share, earned by GM in the 1989 third quarter.

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#90303u0768 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 30) UPI - If the city runs out of cash around Dec. 1 as expected, Mayor Wilson Goode expects city employees to work anyway, even if they are not getting paid, a published report said Tuesday.

Labor leaders, however, said the mayor could not force workers to stay on the job because that would violate their labor contract. He can only request that they continue working and hope they do.

Goode said in an interview with the Philadelphia Inquirer that those workers who stayed on the job without getting a pay check would be fully compensated once the fiscal crisis was over.

He could not estimate how long the city's 25,000 civil servants might be asked to work without pay.

Goode said he didn't understand how an employee would choose to not work even if they were not paid, considering that they would get paid once the money is there to pay them.

''My assumption is that they all will work ... because not to work is not to be paid when money becomes available,'' Goode told the Inquirer. ''(If they) work, all they have is delayed payment. I don't understand how anyone could choose not to work under those circumstances.''

City officials estimate they will run out of cash about Dec. 1 unless the state comes through with a bail-out or they are able to secure loan notes on Wall Street.

State lawmakers have said Philadelphia won't get any help from them until after the election next week.

The city has been unable to find a bank willing to guarantee that it will pay back any loans it secures on the financial market so officials have put off indefinitely plans to sell $375 million in short-term notes.

Thomas Paine Cronin, head of the city's white-collar union, District Council 47 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, said union officials were discussing what to do if workers don't get paid.

''The mayor can have all the expectations he wants. We'll do what's best for our people,'' Cronin told the Inquirer.

Goode, City Council members and state legislators have been meeting regularly to try to hammer out an agreement that would keep the city from going bankrupt.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) UPI - The nation's total output of goods and services jumped an unexpected 1.8 percent in the third quarter on strong consumer purchases of cars, vans and trucks, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

Private economists expected an increase of only 0.8 percent in the government's initial estimate of the real gross national product during July, August and September as recession fears swept the nation.

''This ... contradicts those who believe we are in a recession or are about to enter one,'' said Michael Darby, undersecretary of commerce for economic affairs. ''We expect the economy to continue to expand at a modest pace for the remainder of the year and in 1991.''

The data, however, are subject to revision.

The $18.5 billion surge in the real GNP for the third quarter, adjusted for inflation, follows a revised $4.5 billion - or 0.4 percent - gain in the second quarter, according to the department's Economics and Statistics Administration.

In the first quarter, the real GNP was up 1.7 percent.

The White House recently revised its estimate of final GNP growth for the year to a gain of 0.7 percent, with a 1.3 percent increase in the first three years of 1991, Darby said.

''To date, the economy is expanding somewhat faster than these cautious assumptions indicate,'' Darby said. ''At this stage, therefore, the economy is growing modestly on average, with some quarter-to-quarter volatility.''

Two or more consecutive quarters of negative growth in the real GNP indicate the economy has slipped into recession. An advance of less than 1 percent is generally considered a weak showing.

But the data is subject to change. The Commerce Department will revise the numbers in November and release a final estimate in December.

Two gauges of inflation tied to the report indicated a mixed picture in the aftermath of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait - and the worldwide ballooning of oil prices.

''To the best of our knowledge, this summer's events in the Persian Gulf had little net effect on GNP in the third quarter,'' Darby said. ''However, the associated rise in oil and gasoline prices clearly influenced the inflation rate.''

Consumer spending leaped to $23.9 billion, not counting inflation, in the third quarter from $1.5 billion in the second quarter.

Spending on durable goods - expensive items made to last three or more years - climbed to $3.2 billion in July, August and September from a decline of $10.8

billion in April, May and June.

A Commerce Department spokesman attributed the bulk of the increase to automotive purchases, which were up $3.4 billion in the third quarter vs. down $6.1 billion in the second quarter.

Spending on non-durable goods increased to $3.8 billion from a decline of $4.4 billion, and spending on services increased slightly to $16.9 billion during the last quarter, the government said.

Exports regained lost strength in the third quarter, up $1.9 billion vs. down $8 billion, while imports increased to $9.8 billion from $1.2 billion in the second quarter, another sign of strong consumer spending.

Spending on housing fell $7.5 billion in the third quarter after diving $5.5 billion in the second quarter.

Business investment, meanwhile, increased $9.2 billion in the third quarter after falling $6.2 billion, and government spending slowed to $2.6 billion from $12.3 billion in the second quarter.

Military spending was not a significant factor despite the Iraq crisis.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $374.40 silver base of $4.16 and platinum price of $419.70:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$389.90	388.40
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	200.10	199.00
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	102.80	102.30
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.50	42.30
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	389.90	388.40
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	200.10	199.30
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	103.30	102.80
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.50	42.30
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	396.10	394.30
China Panda .50 troy oz.	204.10	203.20
China Panda .25 troy oz.	105.80	105.40
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	45.70	45.50
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.30	27.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	390.00	388.30
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	199.30	198.40
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	100.70	100.30
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.40	43.20

Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	387.80	386.70
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	200.80	200.30
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	103.10	102.80
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	43.90	43.80
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	387.20	386.50
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	199.10	198.70
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	85.50	85.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.30	44.20
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.60	23.60
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.56	$5.53
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,170	$3,150
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,325
Platinum		
Australian Koala	435.00	431.00
Isle of Man Noble	432.00	428.00
Canada Maple Leaf	443.00	439.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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LONDON (OCT. 30) UPI - The Confederation of British Industry Tuesday reported the lowest level of business confidence since October 1980, with manufacturers reporting falls in orders, output and employment.

The employers' organization, in its quarterly survey of industrial trends and business confidence, reported that 53 percent of firms surveyed said they were ''less than optimistic about the general business situation than four months ago.'' This was the eighth consecutive monthly decline.

The October 1980 survey found that 46 percent of respondents were negative on the economy.

''Manufacturing industry is clearly facing very tough economic and trading conditions, and many firms are now battening down the hatches and preparing to ride out the storm,'' said David Wigglesworth, chairman of the CBI committee that compiled the study.

The study was based on interviews with 1,500 companies, and showed sharp falls

in output, orders for export and local markets, and in the number of jobs in industry.

The CBI said the gloomy mood was reflected by 49 percent of companies showing falling orders, and only 13 percent saying business was expanding.

Overall demand in the British economy had declined over the last four months as rapidly as it did during the height of the last recession in January 1981, the CBI said.

''The pace of falling output is the quickest since April 1981, and prospects for jobs are the weakest since 1983,'' Wigglesworth said.

But the survey said industry was making fewer cuts in training and capital investments than in the last recession, and this should make the slump less severe.

The London International Stock Exchange reacted to the CBI survey, with shares on the FTSE 100-share index falling by 21 points at the middle of the trading day.

Much of the survey was conducted before Britain cut interest rates by a percentage point to 10 percent and moved to join the European Exchange Rate Mechanism last month.

However, Wigglesworth said responses from industrialists after the British government announced the policy shifts showed that businessmen expected conditions to get worse, even though Britain had moved closer to its European neighbors in economic policy.

The CBI called on the British government to further reduce interest rates to revive flagging businesses.

The government of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher contends that the British economy is stronger than it was in the late seventies and early eighties and have so far refused to define the economic downturn as a recession.

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#90303u0826 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

HONG KONG (OCT. 30) UPI - High bodily iron content could be a telltale sign of potential violent behavior, according to a study conducted on Hong Kong prison inmates and released Tuesday.

The study, administered by the Correctional Services Department, showed that the iron content in hair samples of violent prisoners was nearly double that of non-violent inmates.

Security officials said the findings could eventually lead to hair analysis being used as an aid in identifying potentially violent prisoners on admission to jail and the use of medical treatment and dietary methods to control violent behavior.

The CSD said the findings were in line with criminological research conducted in the United States, but emphasized that the study would have no immediate effect on the way Hong Kong handled its prisoners.

''Such uses can only be implemented after ethical, legal and scientific problems associated with the practice are resolved,'' said CSD Commissioner Chan Wa-shek. ''All these require further research and consultation with the medical and dietician professions.''

In the experiment, researchers compared hair and blood samples taken from 94 pairs of consenting violent and non-violent prisoners.

The average iron content in hair samples of violent prisoners was 42 percent higher than that found in samples from non-violent prisoners, the study found.

The blood tests showed no significant differences between the two groups of inmates.

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#90303u0866 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.50-82.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 138.95 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 41.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $210.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $416.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $420.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $111.83 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 295.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

-30- 1536

#90303u0873 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, KENYA (OCT. 30) UPI - Northern Somali rebels claimed Tuesday they killed nearly 500 government soldiers in attacks on government positions around the northern town of Hargeisa.

The fighting took place 540 miles north of the capital, Mogadishu, the Somali National Movement rebels said.

It was the second time in a week the rebels claimed to have routed government forces in the region. Previous battles were just north of the Red Sea port town of Berbera, 600 miles north of Mogadishu.

There was no word from the government side on the rebel claims.

The clandestine SNM radio report monitored in Nairobi Tuesday said the rebels had suffered 48 casualties in the attacks, and another 36 guerrillas were seriously wounded.

The SNM have been fighting since 1981 to overthrow the government of President Mohamed Siad Barre.

-30- 1032

#90303u0894 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

LIBREVILLE, GABON (OCT. 30) UPI - The ruling Gabonese Democratic Party obtained a narrow parliamentary majority in the country's first multi- party elections, capturing with the help of three independents on its slate 62 of the 120 seats in the National Assembly, officials said Tuesday.

Opposition parties took 55 seats in the contest after Sunday's final round of voting. Their strong representation in Parliament indicated President Omar Bongo's experiment in democracy has been a success despite charges of electoral malpractice in some constituencies, political analysts said.

The opposition Morena des Bucherons (Renewal Movement) party led by Mba Abessole placed second with 19 deputies while the Gabonese Progress Party led by Pierre-Loyuis Agondjo took third position with 18 deputies.

The Original Morena Party commanded by Pierre Nzoghe Nguema managed seven deputies, followed by the Association for Socialism in Gabon with six seats, the Gabonese Socialist Union with four seats and the Circle for Reflection and Progress which took just one seat.

Three elections at the constituencies of Mayumba and Moabi in the south of the country were scheduled to be held next Sunday because of incidents that prevented voting there last Sunday.

Observers said the Morena des Bucherons, which already had 17 seats before Sunday's run-off, could have done better still if its leader had not decided to boycott the second round.

The boycott was a blessing for the Gabonese Democratic Party and also bolstered the showing of the Gabonese Progress Party.

With the Gabonese Democratic Party controlling 62 seats - and forecasts that this will be boosted to 63 or 64 after the final three elections next Sunday - the party that has ruled Gabon for 22 years is likely to dominate the coalition government of ''national unity'' that Bongo has said he wants to see formed following the polls.

But politicians both in the ruling party and among the ranks of the opposition are known to be divided over the wisdom of joining such a power-sharing administration.

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#90303u0909 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - The Navy reports that six sailors died today and four others were injured when a high pressure steam line apparently burst aboard the helicopter carrier Iwo Jima. The accident occurred as the ship was preparing for amphibious exercises near Bahrain in the Persian Gulf area. All of the casualties were Navy personnel. The Iwa Jima carries 685 officers and enlisted personnel and can carry 11- hundred Marines.

Strong consumer purchases of cars, vans and trucks helped the nation post an unexpected one-point-eight percent jump in third quarter G-N-P figures. The

Commerce Department figure on the total output of goods and services was up by 18-point-five-BILLION dollars for the July-to- September period. This follows a four-tenths of one percent gain during the second quarter. The news doesn't ease recession worries. But economists normally define a recession as two periods of declining G-N-P figures, something that has yet to happen.

Workers at Chrysler plants around the country are being urged to remain at their jobs, despite the midnight expiration of the latest extension to their old contract. All of this comes as negotiators for both sides worked throughout the night, trying to come up with a new contract. Chrysler says it canNOT afford the generous pension increases and job guarantees in contracts the U-A-W has already gotten from Ford and General Motors.

NASA is preparing to conduct a crucial fueling test aboard the shuttle Columbia. A battery of television cameras and special sensors has been set up in the shuttle's engine compartment in an effort to pinpoint a crippling hydrogen leak that has grounded Columbia since May. Engineers will begin pumping super-cold liquid hydrogen into the shuttle's big external fuel tank in a short time.

Also at Cape Canaveral, space agency managers are wrapping up a two- day flight readiness review of next month's classified Atlantis mission. The all-military crew reportedly will put a secret reconnaissance satellite into orbit. Launch is scheduled for around November 10th.

Despite more than a decade of birth control efforts, the population of China continues to grow at a staggering rate. The government today released the results of its first census in eight years... and the state statistics bureau says there are now one-pointBILLION Chinese. That figure appears to doom China's goal of holding its population to one- point-two-BILLION by the year 2000. In 1982, China counted slightly more than one-BILLION people.

City officials in Detroit are mobilizing more than 35-thousand volunteers and nearly 35-hundred block clubs to prevent the annual Devil's Night arson spree that's become a Halloween Eve tradition. Young firebugs use the night before Halloween to go on a rampage, burning abandoned homes and cars and torching garbage cans and trash bins. But, as in recent years, Mayor Coleman Young has imposed a strict dusk-to- dawn curfew and launched an aggressive anti-arson campaign.

Authorities in West Hollywood say lead singer Axl Rose of the heavy metal band ''Guns 'N Roses'' was arrested early today for allegedly hitting a neighbor woman over the head with a wine bottle. The woman was treated at a nearby hospital for a concussion and held for observation. Authorities say the altercation occurred in a 12th-floor hall in the condominium building where the two live.

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#90303u0912 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 30) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER - TUESDAY

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	37	03
Amsterdam r	1pm	52	11
Ankara cy	3pm	63	17
Athens c	2pm	75	24
Auckland pc	12m	62	17
Beijing c	8pm	52	11
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	44	06
Bonn pc	1pm	55	13
Brussels c	1pm	52	11
Cairo hz	2pm	96	36
Casablanca pc	12n	71	22
Copenhagen c	1pm	50	10
Dakar cy	12n	85	30
Dublin cy	1pm	50	10
Geneva pc	1pm	55	13
Helsinki cy	2pm	42	05
Hong Kong pc	8pm	75	24
Jerusalem	2pm	-	-
Karachi c	5pm	90	32
Lisbon cy	1pm	67	19
London c	1pm	56	14
Madrid pc	1pm	66	19
Malta c	1pm	76	24
Manila c	8pm	86	30
Moscow pc	3pm	37	03
Nairobi pc	3pm	76	24
Nassau cy	7am	76	24
New Delhi	6pm	-	-
Nice c	1pm	74	24
Oslo cy	1pm	47	08
Paris pc	1pm	54	12
Pretoria c	2pm	85	29
Riyadh	3pm	87	31
Rome c	1pm	73	23
Seoul c	9pm	58	14
Sofia cy	2pm	57	14
Stockholm pc	1pm	47	08
Sydney c	10pm	81	27
Taipei cy	8pm	71	21
Tokyo r	9pm	55	13
Tunis c	1pm	81	27

Vienna pc	1pm	58	14
Warsaw cy	1pm	53	12

Latin America

Buenos Aires r	9am	61	16
Caracas	8am	-	-
Havana pc	7am	70	21
Lima cy	7am	62	17
Mexico City hz	6am	50	10
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	84	29
Santiago cy	8am	49	10

Canada

Calgary c	52	10
Edmonton cy	48	08
Montreal cy	42	05
Ottawa c	38	03
Regina c	58	14
Toronto c	45	07
Vancouver c	52	11
Winnipeg c	54	12

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

-30- 2331

#90303u0926 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

ALVIN, TX (OCT. 30) UPI - A pickup truck slammed broadside into a school bus in heavy fog early Tuesday, injuring 22 students and the truck driver, Brazoria County deputies said.

The students received minor injuries and were taken to Alvin Community Hospital where they were evaluated. A hospital spokeswoman said it was unknown whether any students would be admitted.

Alvin school district officials reported to the hospital with medical records, and parents were advised to pick up their children from the hospital, a district spokesman said.

The bus, en route to Mason Elementary School, was traveling on Brazoria County

Road 58 and was crossing U.S. 288 when the truck slammed into the driver's side of the bus about 8 a.m.

''The (truck's) headlights showed up out of the fog,'' as the bus was crossing the highway, an accident investigator said, adding the truck driver tried to stop but did not have enough time to avoid the accident.

The truck hit the bus in the area of its propane fuel tank, which withstood the impact of the crash, deputies said. The bus carried students ranging from preschool to age 11.

The pickup truck rolled away from the bus before the truck burst into flames and the driver escaped from the vehicle, deputies said. The truck driver was taken to St. Lukes Hospital in Houston. His name and condition were not available.

A security director for the Alvin school district said students appeared to suffer only minor neck and head injuries.

The front of the truck was destroyed. The bus was hit on the driver's side in front of the rear wheels, and the passenger portion of the bus was smashed.

-30- 1859

#90303u0928 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (OCT. 30) UPI - A concrete bridge damaged in a major earthquake last July collapsed Tuesday and dumped eight vehicles into the water below, killing at least two people and leaving other commuters missing, authorities said.

Benjamin Abalos, mayor of Mandaluyong town near the bridge, said the span was damaged by the 7.7 earthquake which rocked the main Luzon island July 16, killing at least 1,600 people and causing extensive devastation.

Police said rescuers were searching for the commuters following the cracking and collapse around noon of the right lane of the 50-meter Sevilla bridge.

Hospital sources said Marvin Cruz, 5, and an unidentified man drowned. At least five people were injured.

''When I got to the middle of the bridge, I felt my taxi going down and then I saw water coming in,'' said taxi driver Danny Escobar. ''So I swam out before I could sink with my car.''

Police said three cars, three jeepneys, a van and a ten-wheel truck loaded with corn fell into the water. Four of the eight vehicles sank.

Police said rescuers were trying to lift the vehicles with cranes and

searching for survivors, tying up traffic in a busy intersection between Manila and two suburban towns.

Authorities said the heavy corn truck may have triggered the cracking of the bridge.

-30- 1529

#90303u0961 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

SEABROOK, N.H. (OCT. 30) UPI - The Seabrook nuclear power plant was removed from the New England power grid early Tuesday morning after technicians discovered an electric malfunction, a plant spokesman said.

The problem was detected as the $6.6 billion plant was being returned to service following two days of maintenance work.

The plant's reactor was being held at 18 percent of its capacity, with the steam it generated being routed to a condenser instead of the turbine.

Ron Sher, a spokesman for Seabrook operator New Hampshire Yankee, said the problem involved a ground in a turbine component called the exciter.

''In order to make the turbine's rotor move to make electricity, the exciter places an electrical field on the rotor,'' Sher said. ''Technicians determined that there is a ground taking place in the exciter itself, making an incomplete electrical connection.''

Sher said technicians were working to find the ground. He said they believed the problem would be corrected later in the day.

Seabrook was shut down Saturday night for maintenance work on steam valves. Sher said the malfunction was unrelated to the maintenance work on the steam valves.

The plant had been reconnected to the power grid at midnight, but was taken back off line at 7:30 a.m.

Sher said Seabrook had been operating continuously at or near 100 percent power for 65 days. The weekend shutdown was the first since the plant was placed in permanent full-power operation in August.

Seabrook received its full-power license in March. Technicians worked all summer to bring the plant in stages to full-power operation.

At full power, Seabrook generates 1,150 megawatts of power, enough to supply 1 million homes.

-30- 1931

#90303u1008 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

RICHMOND, VA (OCT. 30) UPI - Fallen televangelist Jim Bakker was given an ''unconscionably long'' 45-year sentence from a biased judge who said he was tired of being a ''sap for money-grubbing preachers,'' attorneys for the PTL founder argued Tuesday before a federal appeals panel.

U.S. District Judge Robert Potter, who sentenced Bakker after a jury convicted him of bilking thousands of his followers, is nicknamed ''Maximum Bob'' for his harsh sentences. Bakker's attorney, Harvard law professor Alan Dershowitz, argued ''Judge Potter is one the reasons the sentencing guidelines were implemented.''

The federal sentencing guidelines, imposed in November 1987, were at the heart of the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals case because they suggest Bakker should have received a sentence somewhere between 31 and 52 months.

Bakker was indicted in March 1987 so the government argued the guidelines did not apply. Bakker's attorneys argued since the last count said the conspiracy was continuing, the guidelines should apply.

Dershowitz, who has defended such notables as Leona Helmsley and Claus von Bulow, also argued the guidelines that he helped develop are designed to prevent gross differences between sentences. He said Bakker's sentence is longer than the average sentence for rape or murder.

The Bakker defense team also argued the jury instructions were prejudiced against the charismatic preacher. They said it did not allow for a good faith defense - that he didn't intentionally defraud people who paid $1,000 to become a lifetime PTL partner. In return for their money, the lifetime partners were to get three nights free a year at the Heritage Grand Hotel at Bakker's South Carolina theme park.

Prosecutors countered it had nothing to do with religion but was an old-fashioned real estate scam - that Bakker could never have provided all the rooms he had sold.

Dershowitz also argued Potter expressed prejudice when he said during the trial: ''Those of us who have religion are ridiculed for being saps for money-grubbing preachers.'' Arguing for the government, attorney Deborah Smith said the comment came after a week of testimony from a fleeced flock and ''was an appropriate summary of the evidence.''

The three-judge panel asked for further briefs on some technical arguments, and is not expected to rule for another 60 days. Dershowitz said if the case was sent back to a different judge for a new sentencing, Bakker could be released in the near future.

Bakker is currently at a federal corrrectional center in Rochester, Minn. Another Bakker lawyer, David Wice, said it was his understanding the preacher's cellmate is political extremist Lyndon LaRouche.

Bakker resigned from his $129 million television ministry March 19, 1987, after acknowledging a tryst with a church secretary, Jessica Hahn, in 1980 and payment of $115,000 in hush money to prevent her from revealing the secret.

Bakker, a former member of the Assembly of God denomination, handed the PTL to Moral Majority founder Jerry Falwell.

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#90303u1018 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (OCT. 30) UPI - Nearly 60 percent of Germany's forests have been damaged by air pollution and the most severely affected area is in former East Germany, a politician in the environmental Greens party said Tuesday.

''The galloping consumption of our forests is continuing undiminished because the two main forest killers - sulphur dioxide and nitric oxide and the ozone they produce - could not be stopped yet,'' said Wilhelm Knabe, a Greens deputy in parliament and a forestry expert.

Knabe, citing an offical report that has not been released, said research shows shows marked differences in the health of eastern and western German forests.

The report, the first on Germany as a whole, said 59.3 percent of the nation's wooded areas had suffered some damage as of 1990. The report said damage to the forests rose sharply in large part because of severe pollution problems in eastern Germany.

Knabe said research showed the worst affected region is the state of Sachsen-Anhalt in what was formerly East Germany, where 76.5 percent of trees are damaged.

The report says the condition of eastern German forests worsened in 1990, with damage reaching 65.7 percent, an increase of 11.4 percent over last year's figures. The report shows 34.3 percent of wooded areas in eastern Germany exhibit no signs of damage and 35.9 percent show signs of advanced damage - the partial or total loss of needles and leaves.

A separate survey by the Greens and conducted only in eastern Germany put the damage to forests there as high as 95.5 percent. That survey shows in eastern Germany, 67 percent of wooded areas register advanced stages of damage. Only 4.5 percent show no signs of damage.

The official report revealed by Knabe said in western Germany, 56.1 percent of

the forest is damaged, a rise over last year's measurement of 52.9 percent and over the 1986 figure of 53.7 percent.

In former West Germany, 17.4 percent of wooded areas show signs of advanced damage, the official report stated.

The report showed in unified Germany, 23.6 percent of wooded areas exhibit signs of advanced damage and 35.7 percent are lightly damaged.

Knabe attributed the damage in eastern Germany to the widespread use of low-grade coal in industry and for home heating needs.

He said in western Germany, the pollution damage largely resulted from high-speed driving, increased reliance on used automobiles which produce higher emissions, and rising numbers of utility vehicles.

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(OCT. 26) UPI - NFL STATISTICS

Individual leaders
Team Statistics
AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE
Offense

	tot.	rush	pass
Houston	3020	625	2395
Cincinnati	2635	901	1734
New York	2513	1036	1477
Denver	2431	895	1536
San Diego	2396	1104	1292
Kansas City	2344	879	1465
Buffalo	2274	888	1386
Miami	2188	794	1394
Seattle	2137	839	1298
Cleveland	2129	548	1581
Pittsburgh	2071	825	1246
Los Angeles	2060	811	1249
New England	1868	564	1304
Indianapolis	1771	407	1364

Defense

	tot.	rush	pass
Miami	1611	492	1119
Los Angeles	1888	666	1222
Pittsburgh	2017	730	1287
Kansas City	2099	828	1271
Buffalo	2144	896	1248

Houston	2157	698	1459
Seattle	2171	680	1491
San Diego	2202	735	1467
Cleveland	2367	1013	1354
Denver	2430	713	1717
New England	2454	897	1557
Indianapolis	2529	870	1659
New York	2847	1043	1804
Cincinnati	2956	911	2045

NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

Offense

	tot.	rush	pass
San Francisco	2642	616	2026
Los Angeles	2470	632	1838
Atlanta	2430	640	1790
Tampa Bay	2404	872	1532
Philadelphia	2357	865	1492
Minnesota	2292	824	1468
Chicago	2290	1212	1078
Washington	2187	810	1377
Green Bay	2182	634	1548
New York	2156	843	1313
Detroit	2140	760	1380
New Orleans	2048	709	1339
Phoenix	1983	912	1071
Dallas	1895	679	1216

Defense

	tot.	rush	pass
New York	1655	542	1113
Chicago	1848	656	1192
Philadelphia	2038	596	1442
Washington	2072	661	1411
San Francisco	2089	474	1615
New Orleans	2106	606	1500
Minnesota	2170	991	1179
Phoenix	2210	998	1212
Green Bay	2345	929	1416
Dallas	2449	1025	1424
Detroit	2580	1133	1447
Tampa Bay	2590	977	1613
Los Angeles	2637	848	1789
Atlanta	2652	516	2136

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

Scoring

Touchdowns	td	rush	rec	ret	pts

Fenner, Sea	8	7	1	0	48
Brooks, Cin	7	3	4	0	42
Butts, SD	6	6	0	0	36
Green, Pitt	6	0	6	0	36
Smith, Mia	6	6	0	0	36
Brown, Cin	5	0	5	0	30
Givins, Hou	5	0	5	0	30
AMiller, SD	5	0	5	0	30
White, Hou	5	2	3	0	30
Allen, LA	4	4	0	0	24
Baxter, NY	4	4	0	0	24
Bentley, Ind	4	3	1	0	24
Hoge, Pitt	4	2	2	0	24
Holman, Cin	4	0	4	0	24
Humphrey, Den	4	4	0	0	24
Jackson, Den	4	1	3	0	24
Okoye, KC	4	4	0	0	24
Paige, Mia	4	2	2	0	24
Toon, NY	4	0	4	0	24

Kicking	ep-a	fg-a	lg	pts
Breech, Cin	23-23	14-15	46	65
Lowery, KC	18-18	13-16	44	57
Leahy, NY	16-16	13-14	47	55
Norwood, Buf	19-21	12-18	48	55
Treadwell, Den	19-19	11-16	44	52
Johnson, Sea	15-16	11-16	51	48
Anderson, Pitt	16-16	10-12	46	46
Stoyanovich, Mia	17-17	9-9	53	44
Zendejas, Hou	20-21	7-12	45	41
Staurovsky, NE	10-10	10-13	53	40

Passing	att	cmp	pct	yds	td	int
Schroeder, LA	144	83	57.6	1335	8	3
Kelly, Buf	193	122	63.2	1451	11	6
Moon, Hou	331	203	61.3	2487	18	9
DeBerg, KC	211	117	55.5	1588	9	3
Brister, Pitt	189	112	59.3	1272	11	8
O'Brien, NY	224	123	54.9	1617	7	4
Trudeau, Ind	144	84	58.3	1078	6	6
Esiason, Cin	231	131	56.7	1755	14	13
Elway, Den	228	127	55.7	1624	6	6
Marino, Mia	220	132	60.0	1390	7	7

Pass Receivers

Receptions	no	yds	avg	td
Givins, Hou	40	571	14.3	5
Jeffires, Hou	39	427	10.9	3

Hill, Hou	38	544	14.3	3
Duncan, Hou	38	424	11.2	0
Williams, Sea	36	316	8.8	0
Paige, KC	33	528	16.0	2
AMiller, SD	33	527	16.0	5
Reed, Buf	33	398	12.1	3
Bentley, Ind	33	345	10.5	1
Fernandez, LA	30	548	18.3	3
Johnson, Den	30	468	15.6	0

Yards	yds	no	avg	td
Givins, Hou	571	40	14.3	5
Fernandez, LA	548	30	18.3	3
Hill, Hou	544	38	14.3	3
Paige, KC	528	33	16.0	2
AMiller, SD	527	33	16.0	5
Johnson, Den	468	30	15.6	0
Jackson, Den	459	28	16.4	3
Brown, Cin	445	25	17.8	5
McGee, Cin	438	24	18.3	0
Gault, LA	437	24	18.2	2

Interceptions	no	yds	lg	td
Byrd, SD	5	63	24	0
Hurst, NE	4	61	36	0
Lippett, NE	3	81	73	0
Ross, KC	3	64	40	0
RJohnson, Hou	3	54	t30	1
Anderson, LA	3	49	31	0
Marion, NE	3	17	16	0
Dishman, Hou	3	8	8	0

Rushing	att	yds	avg	lg	td
Butts, SD	145	654	4.5	42	6
Humphrey, Den	112	573	5.1	t37	4
Thomas, Buf	98	565	5.8	60	2
Okoye, KC	145	515	3.6	32	4
Fenner, Sea	97	432	4.5	28	7
Stephens, NE	109	419	3.8	22	1
Hoge, Pitt	111	378	3.4	20	2
Smith, Mia	100	376	3.8	27	6
Allen, LA	81	340	4.2	28	4
Bernstine, SD	61	332	5.4	t40	3
Williams, Sea	85	332	3.9	22	2

Punting	no	lg	avg	blk	x-net
Stark, Ind	27	55	44.0	1	37.1
Horan, Den	24	58	43.9	1	38.4

Hansen, NE	34	69	42.5	1	35.1
Donnelly, Sea	22	49	41.9	0	33.3
Johnson, Cin	29	70	41.7	0	33.1
Prokop, NY	31	58	41.2	0	34.9
Roby, Mia	31	59	41.0	0	34.6
Kidd, SD	29	59	39.9	1	35.6
Barker, KC	20	50	39.3	0	33.7
Wagner, Cle	39	58	39.0	4	30.8

x-net (team efficiency) - Total punt yards minus return yards, minus 20 yards for each punt over goal-line divided by total attempts including punts blocked.

Punt Returns	no	yds	avg	lg	td
Price, Cin	17	179	10.5	t66	1
Woodson, Pitt	20	190	9.5	t52	1
Verdin, Ind	10	92	9.2	36	0
TBrown, LA	13	119	9.2	39	0
Worthen, KC	17	150	8.8	37	0
Adams, Cle	10	81	8.1	25	0
Martin, Mia	21	133	6.3	35	0
McNeil, Hou	13	56	4.3	10	0

Kickoff Returns	no	yds	avg	lg	td
Woodson, Pitt	16	375	23.4	49	0
DSmith, Buf	13	299	23.0	38	0
RBrown, LA	9	203	22.6	34	0
Warren, Sea	12	262	21.8	71	0
Worthen, KC	10	215	21.5	32	0
Martin, NE	16	324	20.3	38	0
Price, Cin	10	191	19.1	33	0
Metcalf, Cle	28	532	19.0	t98	1
Overton, NE	10	188	18.8	23	0
Mathis, NY	20	374	18.7	32	0

Sacks

Cross, Mia 8.0
Grossman, SD 8.0
BSmith, Buf 8.0
Francis, Cin 7.0
DThomas, KC 7.0
Perry, Cle 6.0
Townsend, LA 6.0
O'Neal, SD 5.5
Porter, Sea 5.0
Wallace, LA 5.0

NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

Scoring

Touchdowns	td	rush	rec	ret	pts
Anderson, Chi	10	8	2	0	60
Rice, SF	9	0	9	0	54
Rison, Atl	8	0	8	0	48
BSanders, Det	8	6	2	0	48
Anderson, NY	5	5	0	0	30
GAnderson, TB	5	3	2	0	30
Clark, Det	5	0	5	0	30
Gary, LA	5	5	0	0	30
ACarter, Min	4	0	4	0	24
ESmith, Dal	4	4	0	0	24
Walker, Min	4	1	3	0	24

Kicking	ep-a	fg-a	lg	pts
Christie, TB	16-16	15-17	54	61
Cofer, SF	19-19	13-19	56	58
Lohmiller, Was	15-15	13-20	55	54
Butler, Chi	20-20	11-14	52	53
Igwebuike, Min	16-16	12-14	48	52
Davis, Atl	25-25	8-11	51	49
Ruzek, Phi	16-17	11-15	44	49
Jacke, GB	13-14	10-12	53	43
Lansford, LA	21-22	7-13	46	42
Andersen, NO	11-11	10-12	52	41

Passing	att	cmp	pct	yds	td	int
Simms, NY	145	90	62.1	1165	10	1
Testaverde, TB	162	100	61.7	1464	9	4
Miller, Atl	219	130	59.4	1709	13	4
Montana, SF	266	168	63.2	2134	16	9
Harbaugh, Chi	124	78	62.9	1043	6	4
Everett, LA	249	136	54.6	1906	14	6
Cunningham, Phi	235	137	58.3	1665	11	7
Peete, Det	132	73	55.3	925	6	3
Walsh, Dal	101	60	59.4	695	5	5
Rosenbach, Phx	184	104	56.5	1155	5	7

Pass Receivers

Receptions	no	yds	avg	td
Rison, Atl	45	724	16.1	8
Rice, SF	44	672	15.3	9
Byars, Phi	42	411	9.8	0
Ellard, LA	40	668	16.7	3
Novacek, Dal	35	402	11.5	3
ACarter, Min	32	382	11.9	4
EMartin, NO	31	504	16.3	3
Sharpe, GB	30	522	17.4	1
Clark, Was	30	476	15.9	3

HJones, Min	29	466	16.1	3

Yards	yds	no	avg	td
Rison, Atl	724	45	16.1	8
Rice, SF	672	44	15.3	9
Ellard, LA	668	40	16.7	3
Sharpe, GB	522	30	17.4	1
EMartin, NO	504	31	16.3	3
Clark, Was	476	30	15.9	3
Anderson, LA	470	19	24.7	3
Clark, Det	470	28	16.8	5
HJones, Min	466	29	16.1	3
Carrier, TB	412	24	17.2	1

Interceptions	no	yds	lg	td
Haddix, TB	5	146	t62	2
Walls, NY	4	73	40	1
Stinson, Chi	4	59	30	0
Jackson, NY	4	3	5	0
Merriweather, Min	3	102	73	0
Holt, Dal	3	72	t64	1
McDonald, Phx	3	63	38	0
Waymer, SF	3	28	24	0
Lott, SF	3	26	15	0
Hopkins, Phi	3	24	11	0
Green, Was	3	20	t18	1
Dimry, Atl	3	16	13	0

Rushing	att	yds	avg	lg	td
Johnson, Phx	139	605	4.4	35	3
Anderson, Chi	125	567	4.5	52	8
BSanders, Det	110	462	4.2	24	6
GAnderson, TB	109	440	4.0	22	3
Anderson, NY	108	415	3.8	28	5
ESmith, Dal	102	373	3.7	16	4
Broussard, Atl	83	368	4.4	t50	3
Byner, Was	94	367	3.9	16	1
Cunningham, Phi	58	358	6.2	28	2
Gary, LA	78	321	4.1	t23	5

Punting	no	lg	avg	blk	x-net
Landeta, NY	28	56	45.1	0	38.4
Saxon, Dal	40	58	43.6	0	38.3
Camarillo, Phx	30	56	43.5	0	37.4
Arnold, Det	28	58	43.0	0	36.1
Royals, TB	33	62	42.3	0	36.7
Fulhage, Atl	29	59	41.9	0	36.2
Barnhardt, NO	27	54	41.5	1	34.5

Feagles, Phi	32	60	41.1	1	34.5
English, LA	29	58	41.0	0	33.3
Mojsiejenko, Was	23	53	40.9	0	35.9

x-net (team efficiency) - Total punt yards minus return yards, minus 20 yards for each punt over goal-line divided by total attempts including punts blocked.

Punt Returns	no	yds	avg	lg	td
Meggett, NY	16	216	13.5	t68	1
Gray, Det	19	201	10.6	39	0
Query, GB	20	198	9.9	25	0
Sutton, LA	14	136	9.7	22	0
Taylor, SF	11	100	9.1	30	0
Sikahema, Phx	15	130	8.7	20	0
Stanley, Was	18	147	8.2	32	0
Bailey, Chi	19	147	7.7	15	0
Hargrove, Phi	10	71	7.1	13	0
Drewrey, TB	12	81	6.8	16	0

Kickoff Returns	no	yds	avg	lg	td
Gray, Det	17	415	24.4	65	0
Walker, Min	19	441	23.2	47	0
Meggett, NY	15	340	22.7	33	0
Wilson, GB	14	296	21.1	29	0
Sikahema, Phx	15	313	20.9	27	0
Fenerty, NO	18	374	20.8	58	0
Sanders, Atl	17	351	20.6	26	0
Dixon, Dal	25	513	20.5	40	0
Mitchell, Was	12	244	20.3	37	0
Cobb, TB	10	203	20.3	45	0

Sacks
Haley, SF 9.0
White, Phi 7.0
Armstrong, Chi 6.0
Dent, Chi 5.0
BThomas, TB 5.0
Nunn, Phx 4.5
Randle, TB 4.5
Taylor, NY 4.5
THarris, GB 4.0
Jackson, NO 4.0
Strauthers, Min 4.0
Thomas, Min 4.0

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VATICAN CITY (OCT. 30) UPI - American Archbishop Paul Marcinkus, central figure in a Vatican Bank scandal that rocked the Catholic Church in the early 1980s, has resigned from Vatican service after 40 years, the Vatican announced Tuesday.

The brief Vatican announcement said Pope John Paul II had accepted the resignation of Marcinkus as head of the Pontifical Commission for the Vatican City State, the job he has held since he was replaced as president of the Vatican bank in June, 1989.

Apparently reflecting the pope's reluctance to see Marcinkus go, the announcement said Marcinkus presented his resignation ''insistently'' and would remain a ''consultant'' of the same Pontifical Commission.

Marcinkus, 68, said he planned to return to the United States to work as a simple parish priest in his native Chicago archdiocese.

''I am very grateful to the Holy Father for having granted my request to retire from Vatican service and return to the United States,'' he said.

The towering son of Lithuanian parents, born in the Chicago suburb of Cicero, Ill. on Jan. 15, 1922, Marcinkus had served in various Vatican posts for 40 years. He was president of the Vatican bank - formally known as the Institute for Religious Works - from 1971 until June 1989, when the Vatican appointed a five-man Supervising Council to head the bank.

The scandal linked with his name erupted in 1982 when the Milan-based Banco Ambrosiano, then Italy's largest private bank, collapsed with debts of $1.287 billion.

Italian investigators accused Marcinkus of being partly responsible for the crash because of his close banking ties with Ambrosiano President Roberto Calvi. Calvi fled to London, where he was found hanging by the neck under a Thames river bridge in September 1982.

A coroner's court first ruled Calvi's death was suicide, but after a second hearing it returned an open verdict, leaving open the possibility that Calvi was murdered.

Milan magistrates issued arrest warrants against Marcinkus and two other Vatican bank directors, charging them with ''complicity in fradulent bankruptcy.'' But the Vatican refused to hand them over and later Italy's top appeals court and its Constitutional Court ruled that Italian legal authorities had no jurisdiction over the sovereign Vatican City State.

The pope showed his confidence in Marcinkus, who formerly acted as a bodyguard on papal trips, by maintaining him as bank president until the bank was reformed in 1989.

The Vatican always denied any wrongdoing in connection with the Banco Ambrosiano collapse. But in 1984 it paid $240.9 million to Ambrosiano creditors as a ''goodwill gesture.''

In a magazine interview at the time, Marcinkus said he told Vatican officials: ''You are crazy. If we are not guilty we should not pay.''

''I have nothing to be ashamed of in what I have done,'' Marcinkus told the magazine. ''I could be ashamed of one thing, and that is to have perhaps had too much faith in Roberto Calvi. But that was not difficult, because Calvi had an excellent reputation in the banking community.''

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(OCT. 30) UPI - The number of Americans killed in Operation Desert Shield grew by seven today. Six sailors died aboard the helicopter carrier U-S-S Iwo Jima when a steam line connected to a boiler ruptured. Four others were seriously burned. A Marine was killed and three others injured when a multi-purpose vehicle on a night exercise overturned in the eastern Saudi desert.

A Navy spokesman says very high pressure steam spewed from one of the Iwo Jima's two boilers today as the ship was getting under way after a port call in Bahrain. The injured sailors were transferred to the hospital ship U-S-S Comfort for medical treatment.

In southern Germany, two Americans died today when their U-S Army Apache helicopter hit an electrical wire and crashed near the town of Erlangen. The dead were identified as Chief Warrant Officers Clarence Hall of Coeburn, Virginia, and John Wilkinson of Colinga, California. Both men were attached to the 11th Aviation Brigade.

Economists expecting a small eight-tenths of one percent jump in third-quarter G-N-P figures were more than surprised when the Commerce Department made its report this morning. The figure was actually up one- point-eight percent, thanks to heavy consumer purchases of automobiles.

The housing industry continues showing effects of a steady decline that has gone on for most of the year. The Commerce Department reports a 21 percent drop in new-home sales last month when compared with last year. Sales are down 15 percent when figured on a monthly basis going back to January.

The shuttle Atlantis has been cleared for a night-time military launch on November 9th, one day earlier than originally planned. As usual with such flights, the exact launch time is classified. The word on Atlantis comes as NASA prepares for a critical fueling test for the leak-plagued shuttle

Columbia.

A study has found a new abnormality in the brains of people who committed suicide... a discovery that could lead to new ways to identify and treat suicide-prone people. The study reported in St. Louis says researchers found higher levels of one protein structure in the brains of suicide victims and less of another of the proteins.

The Vatican announced today that American Archbishop Paul Marcinkus has resigned from the Vatican service after 40 years. Marcinkus was head of the Vatican Bank in a scandal that rocked the church in the 1980's. He says he wants to return to parish work in the Chicago area.

The German Parliament today cleared the way for the withdrawal of 380-thousand Soviet troops from former East German territory. Lawmakers ratified two treaties under which Germany will pay Moscow nearly eight- BILLION dollars for pulling out its armed forces by 1994. The agreement also includes a NO-interest, two-BILLION-dollar loan to the Soviet Union.

A pick-up truck slammed into the side of school bus near Alvin, Texas, early today, injuring 22 students and the truck driver. Most of the students had minor injuries and were examined at a hospital. The truck burned, but the propane fuel tank aboard the bus withstood the impact of the crash. Sheriff's deputies say thick fog may have contributed to the accident.

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(OCT. 30) UPI -

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Amer Greetings cl A	Q	.07 1/2	12-10	11-26
Brown & Sharpe cl A	Q	.08	12-31	12-12
Foster Wheeler	Q	.12 1/2	12-4	11-15
Georgia-Pacific	Q	.40	12-10	11-16
Indiana Energy	Q	.34	12-1	11-9
Intl Resrch & Dev	Q	.05	11-23	11-9
Louisiana-Pacific	Q	.27	11-30	11-15
Maxwell Laboratories	Q	.40	12-4	11-5
Mead Corp	Q	.25	12-1	11-8
PHM Corp	Q	.03	1-3	12-14
Pacific Telecom	Q	.29	12-3	11-6
Pall Corp	Q	.14	11-23	11-9
PoFolks Inc	Q	.05	12-14	11-1
Quaker State Corp	Q	.20	12-14	11-15
TSI Inc	Q	.05	11-28	11-4
Wackenhut Corp	Q	.15	1-4	12-14

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 30) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Tuesday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - A lawyer's effort to establish that the jogger attacked in Central Park was never raped backfired Tuesday when a witness testified that medical personnel at the crime scene found she was sexually assaulted.

Questioning by attorney Colin Moore, representing Kharey Wise, 18, one of the two youths on trial in the attack, was another indication he may go ahead with plans to grill the attack victim about her sex life when she becomes a witness.

Wise and Kevin Richardson, 16, are on trial, accused of raping, beating and leaving for dead the jogger on April 19, 1989.

Moore tried to bolster his contention the jogger was never raped in his questioning of Estelle Paris, an Emergency Medical Services technician who treated the investment banker shortly after the attack.

''You mean to say you couldn't make any analysis there as to whether there was a rape?'' Moore asked Paris in state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

''I saw blood ... in her pubis and buttocks.'' Paris replied. ''We thought she had been raped at the time.''

''Was your opinion rooted in any scientific fact?'' Moore asked.

''It was based on five years of medical experience,'' Paris snapped, choking back angry tears.

The testimony came after the mother and sister of Richardson said on Monday they would refuse to serve as witnesses in his defense.

Ripping out the heart of the defense case, the mother of Richardson, Grace Cuffee, and his sister, Angela Cuffee, angrily told defense lawyer Howard Diller Monday that they would not cooperate with him.

After a private conference with Justice Thomas Galligan in his chambers at state Supreme Court in Manhattan, Diller said the judge told him to ''do the best with what you've got.''

Diller had planned to argue that Richardson, 16, was tricked into making a confession by police who repeatedly promised he could go home if he made incriminating statements. His mother and sister were both at the precinct on the night of his arrest and were expected to be the prime defense witnesses.

Richardson and Kharey Wise, 18, are on trial on charges they beat and raped a woman jogger, whose name has not been published because of the nature of the crime, in Central Park on April 19, 1989. They also are accused of beating and robbing two male joggers, John Loughlin, 42, and David Lewis, 32.

Three other youths were convicted of the charges last summer and are serving 5 to 10 year jail sentences.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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#90303u1136 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
WARSAW, POLAND (OCT. 30) UPI - Polish and German officials opened two days of talks Tuesday aimed at achieving a treaty confirming the existing border between the two countries and outlining a pact on good neighborliness.

''All issues of importance to our future relationship will be discussed,'' said Dieter Castrup, political director in the German Foreign Ministry, who heads Bonn's delegation.

A draft of the border treaty under review is result of the two-plus- four conference in Paris in July and in Moscow in September. The Polish Foreign

ministry said it had presented the Germans with a draft Oct. 8.

It states that Germany has no claim to any territory in Poland, nor will it make any such claim.

Following Germany's defeat in World War II, it was forced to give up areas south of the Oder and Neisse rivers to Poland, while Poland in turn lost 20 percent of its pre-war territory to the Soviet Union on its eastern frontier.

Poland favors a rapid conclusion of the treaty and hopes a signature will be possible later this year or early next year.

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl indicated he favored signing the agreement in April so that it can first be ratified by the first elected reunified German Parliament, which will be chosen Dec. 2.

The working group was scheduled Wednesday to consider an agreement on cooperation and good neighborliness between Poland and Germany. The paper was in its fledgling stages, and the Warsaw meeting was to discuss its general concept and main points.

Jerzy Sulek, director of the Europe Department in the Polish Foreign Ministry, heads Warsaw's side.

A follow-up meeting was scheduled in Frankfurt-on-the-Oder, a border town on the Oder River, for Nov. 8.

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OMAHA (OCT. 30) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 1,300; trading on slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, prices both classes steady to 50 higher than Monday, not enough slaughter cows or bulls on offer to establish a market; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-3, few 4s 1075-1350 lb 79.00-80.00, few pens and packages 80.25-80.50, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 77.00-79.00, select 75.50-77.50; heifers choice No 2-3, few 4s 950- 1250 lb 79.00-80.00, few pens and packages 80.25-80.50 select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 77.00-79.00, select 74.50-77.50; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 boning few 48.00-50.00, low to average cutter 44.00-48.00.

Hogs 1,400; butchers mostly 2.00 lower, instances 2.50 down from Monday's top price, tradiang cautious, demand somewhat narrow, No 1-3 220-260 lb 52.00-52.50, No 2-3 260-280 lb 51.00-51.50, few 280-300 lb 49.00- 50.50; sows 28 percent, under 500 lb mostly 1.00-1.25 lower, over 500 lb generally steady, instances 50 lower on some near 500 lb, No 1- 3 325-500 lb 46.00-46.25, No 2-3 500-650 lb 49.00- 50.00, those at 49.00 mainly near 500 lb.

Sheep 200, slaughter lambs and ewes steady, shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 120- 130 lb No 1-2 pelts 52.00-53.00, those outside this weight range discounted, wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb 50.00-51.00, those outside this weight range discounted; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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#90303u1178 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

MEXICO CITY, MEXICO (OCT. 30) UPI - The captivity of a German consular official in the southern city of Oaxaca entered the second day Tuesday as authorities negotiated with hostage-takers demanding the release of a jailed leader, the German Embassy said.

Immo Von Kessel, charge d'affaires of the German Embassy, said Wolfgang Wilczek has been held hostage since Monday by members of an organization known as Procup.

Wilczek, 49, is Germany's consular representative in Oaxaca, 170 miles southeast of Mexico City.

''They have sent us a manifesto demanding improvement of human rights in Mexico and release of political prisoners,'' Von Kessel said. ''But the only concrete demand was the immediate release of their leader, Felipe Martinez Soriano.''

Humberto Cruz, a state government spokesman in Oaxaca, said group members ''took over the German consulate at about 4 p.m.''

Von Kessel said he has been in constant telephone contact with Wilczek. He said Wilczek told him there were five members of the group inside the building and various others on guard outside.

He said army troops have surrounded the consular building.

''Wilczek and I spoke on the phone several times and he appears to be in a good mood, though a little concerned,'' he said.

Von Kessel said local authorities were negotiating with members of the group, but that he had no information about progress of the talks.

''We are taking any action possible, but we don't want anything dramatic to happen,'' he said. ''We hope it can be solved through negotiation.''

Von Kessel said he was not sure whether the hostage-takers were armed.

Martinez Soriano is in jail in Mexico City, charged with involvement in the

deaths of two security guards of the Mexico City daily newspaper La Jornada in April.

The guards were killed after they refused to accept propaganda from Procup, allegedly part of the Party of the Poor.

Martinez Soriano, former director of Oaxaca University, has denied having any ties with Procup, and his lawyers have protested the circumstances of his arrest earlier this year.

Members of Procup also jailed in connection with the the security guards' deaths have been holding a hunger strike in a Mexico City prison for several weeks.

''Martinez is the leader of a group ... suspected of being involved in clandestine activities, so I don't think his followers will achieve their goal '' Cruz said.

Von Kessel said the group threatened to stay in the consulate until Martinez Soriano is released, saying in their manifesto they are prepared to die for it.

He said the manifesto was also delivered to Jorge Carpizo, president of the government's National Human Rights Commission.

Wilczek has been a resident of Oaxaca for 23 years. He is head of the Consular Corps of Oaxaca.

Von Kessel said Wilczek is the German government's representative in Oaxaca, but does not have diplomatic status. ''The papers making him our official consul are still being processed,'' he said.

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#90303u1181 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - The helicopter carrier U-S-S Iwo Jima is being towed back to port in Bahrain with its engines shut down as a precaution after a high pressure steam line burst, killing seven Navy personnel and seriously burning three others. The accident occurred as the carrier was moving out to take part in amphibious exercises in the Persian Gulf. The injured sailors have been flown to a Navy hospital ship for treatment.

The military build-up in the Persian Gulf region was at the top of the agenda during a White House meeting today. President Bush called congressional leaders and his national security advisers in to discuss the crisis and other issues. Bush denied yesterday that he was pushing for war. But he also said the United States will act swiftly against Iraq if provoked.

Some movement is reported on issues of job security, wages and pensions as

negotiators for the United Auto Workers union meet with their management counterparts at Chrysler. There are NO reports of any wildcat walkouts following the expiration early this morning of the latest extension of the old contract. The contract actually ended September 15th, but Chrysler's 67-thousand unionized employees have continued working as the talks continued. But the union can still call a company-wide strike if it wants.

The economy performed better than most experts thought it would during the third quarter. The Commerce Department says the gross national product rose an unexpected one-point-eight percent... and that's much better than the eight-tenths of one percent growth forecast by private economists. Strong consumer demand for cars, vans and trucks kept the economy perking despite recession fears fueled by rising fuel costs.

Under-secretary of Commerce for economic affairs Michael Darby says- ''This... contradicts those who believe we are in a recession or are about to enter one.'' Darby predicts continued moderate growth for the rest of the year and into 1991.

One sector of the economy hardest hit by slow sales, housing, slipped further behind last month. The government says sales of new single- family homes fell 21 percent in September, to an annual rate of only 503-thousand units. The biggest monthly decline in home sales was in the Northeast, where sales dipped 15-point-six percent. The median price of a new home was 115-thousand dollars in September... while the average price of all homes sold was 142-thousand 300.

The shuttle Atlantis has been given the green light for one of the worst-kept military secrets around, its expected launch of a reconnaissance satellite next month. Atlantis is to lift off from Cape Canaveral in a night-time launch now set for November 9th. That word comes as NASA technicians begin loading super-cold liquid hydrogen aboard the shuttle Columbia. They will be closely monitoring the process, looking for any evidence of fuel leaks that have kept Columbia grounded since May 30th.

Published reports indicate that Mayor Wilson Goode expects the city's 25-thousand civil servants will just keep working if the city runs out of cash as expected around December 1st. And Goode says he doesn't understand why an employee would chose NOT to go to work then.

New York Daily News officials say the newspaper is hiring replacements for Newspaper Guild writers and editors who are on strike. The paper was struck by all but one of its unions last week. A Daily News spokeswoman says the paper is hiring replacements for all the striking workers. Mayor David Dinkins met with the leader of the umbrella organization for the striking unions, but Daily News publisher James Hoge declined to meet with the unions.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 30) UPI - Indiana has agreed to place a pamphlet in state park inn rooms that warns readers the Bible is a ''violent, racist and sexist fable.''

The pamphlet, published by the Freedom From Religion Foundation of Madison, Wis., will be placed in the 550 rooms of the state's six park inns, state Department of Natural Resources officials said.

It was submitted in protest of Gov. Evan Bayh's decision last year to keep Gideon Bibles in the rooms.

The foundation's president, Anne Gaylor, said Bayh's decision to okay the Bibles in the rooms was ''a gross violation of the separation of church and state.''

She said Bayh was ''insensitive'' to people who are not Christians or who belong to different Christian sects.

''Gov. Bayh should have known better,'' she said.

But Fred Nation, Bayh's press secretary, said the governor was concerned that some people would find the pamphlet material ''blasphemous.''

''We are taking this under review and will make a decision in the near future '' Nation said, even though placement of the pamphlets has been approved for now.

In response to complaints about the Bibles from the Indiana Civil Liberties Union, Bayh decided to allow any religion that had tax-exempt status under the federal tax code to provide material for inn rooms. The foundation has such status.

The group's phamplet is titled, ''Dear Believer.''

It includes a picture of the Bible with a stamp on it that says: ''Warning! Literal belief in this book may endanger your health and life!''

It characterizes the biblical God as ''a macho male warrior who ... is partial to one race of people; judges women inferior to men; is a sadist who created a hell to torture unbelievers.''

Gaylor said there are 24 Hoosier members of her group out of a national membership of 3,100.

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BONN (OCT. 30) UPI - The flow of West German goods to East Germany soared 135 percent to $7.6 billion in the first eight months of this year compared with the same period in 1989, the Federal Statistics Office said Tuesday in a report.

But trade in the other direction - from East to West Germany - only rose 8 percent to $3.36 billion from January to August compared with the same period last year, the report said.

When the East German Stalinist leadership was ousted in a peaceful revolution last fall and the inner-German border opened, western exports swamped the East German market.

The one-way trade increased even more when the strong Deutsche mark was introduced July 1 as part of monetary and economic union and in advance of Oct. 3 German unification.

In August alone, West German exports to East Germany jumped by 241 percent to a total value of $1.35 billion, compared with July, the report said.

In the first eight months of the year, the figure rose 135 percent to $7.6 billion, it said.

In August, trade from east to west climbed 23 percent to $477 million from July, the report said.

A different report released Tuesday by the German Industry and Trade Association said that western German exports will continue to stay high in 1991, although exports from eastern Germany will drop.

The report said the expectation that West European economies - except for the British economy - will continue to be stable and grow in 1991, is a good sign for German exports, because 70 percent of all German exports go to those countries.

The association's report predicted German economic growth at a real 2 percent to 3 percent, including a 1 percent to 2 percent drop in eastern Germany.

The report's forecast corresponded with earlier predictions by Economics Minister Helmut Haussmann, but contradicted last week's report by the five leading German economic research institutes that growth would drop from the current 3 percent to 4 percent to 1.5 percent next year.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Kobe beef made its debut in New York Tuesday and the rarest thing about it is its price - $100 for a 12-ounce steak.

The Japanese gourmet meat has not been exported for more than 20 years and its noted for its delicate flavor, as well as its cost.

Producers say the steak from Wagyu cattle bred near Kobe, Japan, is expensive because the cattle receive tender loving care unknown to other cows.

For example:

-Daily rubdowns with swatches of straw.

-Beer fed through a baby bottle to ''stimulate their appetites and break down muscle tissue.''

-A diet rich in soybeans, rice and grains.

The only drawback for cholesterol-aware Americans is the liberal marbling of fat found in Kobe steaks, more than in domestic prime-grade beef.

The advent of the legendary beef at the Homestead is the result of two years of negotiations with a Japanese import firm and several trips to Japan by the restaurant's owners, brothers Greg and Marc Sherry. They worked with Kobe slaughtering plants to help them conform to strict U.S. Deparment of Agriculture standards.

''There is definitely a market for Kobe beef in this country,'' said Greg Sherry, noting that he expects the price of Homestead's steaks will vary between $100 and $125 depending on the cut and import costs.

Sherry said Kobe steak belongs in the same rarified fine food and drink category as white truffles, Beluga caviar, and Cristal champagne. Carried away he even compared it to great art.

''A Kobe steal is comparable to a Van Gogh,'' he enthused. ''That says it all.''

Anyway, it's cheaper to eat Kobe steak in Manhattan than it is in Tokyo, due to the weakness of the dollar in Japan. American tourists have to pay $180 to $250 for a smaller 8-ounce serving of the beef in Japan.

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WAHINGTON (OCT. 30) UPI - In an ironic twist, next week's elections could strip the Senate of both its most conservative and most liberal Republican senators - Jesse Helms of North Carolina and Sen Mark Hatfield of Oregon.

Helms, the apostle of the far right, and Hatfield, the lonely voice of the

left, are fighting for their political lives in two of the tighest Senate races of the year.

Polls in the two states, as well as soundings by political observers, show Hatfield and Helms are facing the most serious challenges of their lengthy political careers from little-known Democrats.

Anita Dunn, spokeswoman for the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, said the Oregon and North Carolina elections, as well as the one in Minnesota, ''are all dead heats.''

She said that committee polls show Hatfield slightly behind, although within the margin of error, and North Carolina a deadlock with the result depending on voter turnout.

Hatfield, who has never been beaten in nearly 40 years of politics, is now scrambling to fend off a wealthy entrepreneur and enviromentalist, Harry Lonsdale, who has transformed the four-term senator from a state icon to a vulnerable incumbent.

In North Carolina, Helms is in a dogfight with former Charlotte Mayor Harvey Gannt, a generation younger and black, who is running even stronger that did former Gov. James Hunt in the celebrated $25 million 1984 election that the three-term senator won 52-48 percent.

Although no one is willing to bet they will lose, their defeat would have a dramatic impact on the Senate and within the Republican Party.

Helms, a big, rumpled man of 69 with a courteous manner that hides an iron adherence to his beliefs, is the most visible and vocal conservative in the Senate and one of the best-known in the country.

His defeat, coupled with the retirements of Sens. William Armstrong, R-Colo., and Gordon Humphreys, R-N.H., could relieve the Senate of the constant fights over so-called moral issues. Other senators share their views but do not put them as high on the agenda.

Over the last 12 years, the Helms-Armstrong-Humphreys trio has pushed, with much success, restrictions on the use of federal funds for abortions, curbs on family planning programs and what they consider obscene art.

Helms, on his own, has ranged far afield to the point where he often ties up the Senate.

More than any single senator, Helms has blocked nominations and stymied bills through objections that leaders have honored and with filibusters or threats of filibusters.

It is unlikely that any other Republican conservative is inclined to take over Helms's role as an obstructionist although, in a much lower key, many of them would carry on his agenda.

In contrast to Helms, Hatfield is a sophisticated intellectual who travels the Georgetown social circuit, takes great pride in fashionable dress and is a near-pacifist politically.

At the same time, he is very active in the congressional prayer breakfasts, personally chose the Senate's present chaplain and is adamantly, although not loudly, against abortion.

The departure of Hatfield would mean the Senate would be left without a true Republican liberal, ending in the Senate a golden era for the GOP left. At one time, it was strong enough to elect Sen. Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania as Senate GOP leader.

The election defeat of a dying Sen. Jacob Javits, R-N.Y., 10 years ago and the retirement of Sen. Charles Mathias, R-Md., in 1986, left only Hatfield to carry the banner of the left. He was clearly isolated - notably on defense issues and international issues where he very frequently voted with liberal Democrats.

There remain some East Coast Republicans - Sens. John Chafee of Rhode Island and Sen. William Cohen of Maine - but they are better classified as moderates than liberals.

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#90303u1257 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
MEXICO CITY (OCT. 30) UPI - Twenty-eight years after the Cuban missile crisis Fidel Castro denies he urged a pre-emptive nuclear strike against the United States and Cuba remains indignant over being left out of U.S.-Soviet negotiations.

A dispatch Monday from the official Cuban news agency, Prensa Latina, outlines what it calls the ''October Crisis,'' and traces the brush with Armageddon back to 1959, only months after Castro's forces ousted dictator Fulgencio Batista.

''As early as May 18, 1959, U.S. President Dwight Eisenhower gave the go-ahead to begin preparations for the mercenary landing on Playa Giron in April, 1961 '' Prensa Latina said.

On April 17 that year, 1,200 CIA-trained Cuban exiles landed at the Bay of Pigs in an invasion attempt that was crushed by Castro's revolutionary forces.

''Twenty-eight years after the October crisis that placed the world on the

verge of nuclear war, Cubans maintain their principal justification of (the events of) that time, and reproach Nikita Khrushchev for pushing them aside in the secret conversations,'' Prensa Latina said.

The article refers to a 200-page Cuban document that had been kept confidential until recently.

The document says Cuba should have been consulted before the Soviets agreed to remove the 42 one megaton medium-range missiles from the island following tense negotiations with President John F. Kennedy, arguing that ''the missiles had been installed under a military agreement between the Soviet Union and Cuba.''

Excerpts from memoirs taped by former Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev after he was ousted from power in 1964 were published earlier this month in Time magazine, in which Khrushchev says Castro called for a pre- emptive nuclear attack against the United States.

''Our own intelligence also informed us that an (U.S.) invasion would probably be unavoidable unless we came to an agreement with the president (Kennedy) very quickly,'' Khrushchev said. ''Castro suggested that to prevent our nuclear missiles from being destroyed, we should launch a pre-emptive strike against the United States.''

In direct reference to the memoirs, Prensa Latina quoted Castro as denying that version.

''I am said to have advised Khrushchev to launch a pre-emptive attack with nuclear missiles against the United States ... but it really wasn't like that '' Castro said in Havana.

Cuba's chief concern, according to the Cuban document, was that it had not been able to say whether it was satisfied with the guarantees Kennedy gave the Soviets that the United States would not invade the island.

Khrushchev recalled: ''Castro was hotheaded, he thought we were retreating - worse, capitulating. ... We thought this came from him being young and inexperienced as a statesman. He had been deceived many times, so he had the right not to believe the word of the president.

''The experience taught him a good lesson.''

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ORLANDO, Fla. (OCT. 30) UPI - The average price of regular gasoline sold nationwide held steady during the past week, breaking a five-week string of price increases, the American Automobile Association said Tuesday.

The average price of regular unleaded gasoline sold at self-service pumps remained unchanged this week at $1.38 a gallon, the AAA said. The average price had been moving steadily upward since Sept. 18.

The current price is 30.5 cents above that recorded Aug. 1, the day before Iraq seized Kuwait, and only 0.8 cents a gallon below the record price recorded by the association prior to the 1981 Easter weekend, AAA said.

Although the average price nationwide remained unchanged for the week, regional price hikes were recorded in the Southeast and Mid- Atlantic regions, AAA said. Prices declined in all other regions, the association said.

AAA also said this week's price relief was not uniform at the pump.

While the price for regular gasoline held steady, the average price of mid-grade gasoline rose 0.3 cent to $1.467 a gallon, AAA said. The average price for premium gasoline rose 0.1 cent to $1.549, the group said.

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SOFIA, BULGARIA (OCT. 30) UPI - Bulgaria and Romania invited international monitoring agencies to inspect chemical and nuclear plants along their common border in a decision aimed at removing a big source of tension between the two countries.

The decision was reached during talks that ended late Monday between Foreign Minister Lyuben Gotsev and his Romanian counterpart, Adrian Nastase, who traveled to Bulgaria in an effort to end a long-simmering dispute over cross-border pollution.

The dispute centers mainly on a Soviet-built chemical plant in Giurgiu, Romania, which Bulgaria claims spews toxic chemicals that have spoiled the environment and sickened residents of the Bulgarian city of Ruse, directly across the Danube River from the plant.

The factory's smokestacks allegedly release a gas that contains up to nine times the allowable level of chlorine, the government in Sofia contends.

Local authorities have linked the pollution to a sharp increase in a respiratory ailment dubbed ''Ruse lung.'' Trees in the city are dying and birds have vanished. On the worst days children have been advised to wear gas masks when walking to school.

During the talks Monday, which also included Bulgarian President Zhelyu Zhelev and Prime Minister Andrei Loukanov, the two sides agreed to invite the United Nations Environmental Program to inspect the Giurgiu plant. At the same time

the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna will investigate a Bulgarian nuclear power plant at Kozloduy, near the Romanian border.

''We will accept the assessments and conclusions of UNEP and IAEA,'' Loukanov told a news conference.

A high-ranking foreign ministry official said the agreement was crucial to improving relations between the two countries.

''Without a lasting and stable solution of the problem, we cannot imagine the development of our relations with Romania,'' he said.

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#90303u1267 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (OCT. 30) UPI - Poland will privatize its biggest press concern, previously owned by the now-disbanded Communist Party, and allow foreign investors to submit bids, a government official said Tuesday.

''This is the biggest privatization project undertaken in Poland,'' said Jerzy Drygalski, who leads the team liquidating RSW Prasa, which controls 80 percent of the daily press and employs 85,000 people.

''The government approved late last night all the recommendations put forward by our team,'' he told a news conference. ''Their aims were to break the press and political monopoly of the former Communist Party.''

At least 20 foreign publishers have shown serious interest, with media barons Robert Hersant of France, Robert Maxwell of Britain, and Australian Rupert Murdoch leading the pack, he said.

A total of 118 papers will be sold and 72 will be handed over to teams of journalists who have formed cooperatives.

The state treasury will take over RSW's 19 biggest printing houses and the only distribution company in Poland, which has over 24,000 newsstands nationwide.

Drygalski said his commission resisted pressure from new political groups, Solidarity and local governments to give them individual papers for free.

''The papers will be sold by an open bid but other criteria will be considered '' said Marek Filipowski, an expert to the commission.

Specifically, newspapers will not necessarily go to the highest bidder, particularly if he is foreign, as ''the press is a very delicate market involving political considerations,'' Drygalski said.

''We should protect the most important national and regional dailies and prevent monopoly (by any foreign investor),'' Drygalski said.

The commission has not estimated the total assets of RSW.

It wants to proceed quickly by selling financially troubled newspapers and those that have been at the heart of battles to control them.

Drygalski said one of the first to be offered will be the independent national daily Zycie Warszawy, which has the biggest advertising section in Poland.

Its value was preliminarily estimated $4.2 million. The paper's circulation is 250,000 on weekdays and 350,000 on weekends.

Some smaller printing houses will be given to cooperatives on lease agreements.

Drygalski said it would take about six months to privatize RSW.

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ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 30) UPI - Disneyland, the grandfather of modern amusement parks, will boost its admission prices by $2 for adults and children, a park spokesman said Tuesday.

The new admission prices, which go into effect Nov. 1, are $27.50 for an adult ''passport'' and $22.50 for children between the ages of 3 and 11, according to spokesman Bob Roth. Children under 3 years old are admitted free.

Roth said that the price increase, the 10th since 1982, was needed because of inflation and the costs of expanding Disneyland, which is celebrating its 35th anniversary this year.

''The costs of expansion and renovation are enormous,'' Roth said.

The major areas of expansion over the next decade will include ''Mickey's Starland,'' which will showcase the Disney characters, and ''Hollywoodland,'' which will incorporate some of the aspects of the Disney MGM Studios theme park that opened last year in Florida, Roth said.

Disneyland, which bills itself as ''the happiest place on earth,'' also plans to renovate its ''Tomorrowland'' area over the next few years.

Disneyland, the second most popular amusement park in the country after Walt Disney World in Florida, last increased its prices in December 1989, when it also boosted them by $2.

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AMMAN, JORDAN (OCT. 30) UPI - Y.S. Perera, dripping wet from a special midday shower, stepped away from a waist-high public faucet at al-Andalus refugee camp and shook the water from his face and hair.

''I think most probably we are going home today,'' said Perera, a Sri Lanka native who spent the last three and a half years working as a salesman in Kuwait.

His wife brushed her teeth at another outdoor spigot nearby while dozens of other refugees bathed, laundered clothes and washed dishes in anticipation that they would soon be leaving Jordan.

Nearly three months after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the tide of tens of thousands of refugees that inundated Jordan is gradually beginning to subside.

Only 700 people remain at al-Andalus camp, which housed about 7,000 refugees in rows of blue and beige aluminum-framed tents just one month ago. Officials said two other camps had closed, and the parking lot of Queen Alia International Airport, which was clogged with refugees three weeks ago, is now empty.

Despite the slowing flow of refugees, officials said they thought a trickle of people would keep moving through Jordan. ''I expect they will continue coming here and we are ready to deal with them,'' said Falah al Kaice, a volunteer who helps run the camp.

The refugees at al-Andalus are mostly from poorer Asian and African countries, such as Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, the Philippines, India and Sudan.

They remained in Kuwait for so long because they had heard frightening rumors about the dangers of the journey to Jordan or because they had financial trouble and were hoping for a settlement of the crisis that would let them recoup their lost earnings.

''The main problem was the financial problem for Sri Lankans,'' said Perera. ''We had help from some friends, not foreigners, just Sri Lankans.''

Many of the refugees confirmed reports that Iraqis are breaking down heavy equipment and hauling it out of Kuwait.

''It is stolen, everything,'' said Mohdi Abu Taher Chawdhey, a Bangladeshi who worked for the Kuwaiti Ministry of Electricity and Water. ''Now Kuwait city is like a ghost town. Everything is closed.''

Some of the refugees told stories of looting and robbery. Mufaddal Sifuddin, a 20-year-old Indian, said he was sleeping in an apartment with 15 other people

one night when Iraqi soldiers rousted the bunch and took all their money.

He also said he saw a police officer shoot a soldier who was looting goods.

Aida del Mundo, a native of the Philippines who worked as a saleswoman, said soldiers weren't the only ones who were trying to get a bargain at the expense of the foreign workers in Kuwait.

''Sometimes the Iraqi civilians, they would knock on your door and would say, 'Do you want to sell your things?' And they would buy the whole flat,'' she said.

Del Mundo, who has been unable to speak to her husband and two children in the Philippines since the crisis began, said generally the Iraqi civilians offered to pay far less than what the goods were worth.

She said food was available but expensive in Kuwait and that people sometimes traveled to the nearby Iraqi city of Basra to shop for groceries.

Most of the refugees at al-Andalus camp face uncertain futures. Sri Lankans like Perera are returning to a country torn by an internal civil war, while Bangladeshis like Chawdhey are returning to a nation where work is extremely difficult to find.

''Everything is spoiled, everything is lost,'' said Chawdhey, who spent 12 years in Kuwait. ''We have lost everything. Now we are going to our own country. What will we do then because our country is so poor?''

But Perera said he was determined that his years of labor in Kuwait would not be lost.

''I must go back to Kuwait,'' he said. ''My money is in Kuwait.''

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#90303u1286 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) UPI - Mutual fund sales declined to $10 billion in September from $11 billion during the same month last year and $13.4 billion in August, the Investment Company Institute said Tuesday.

Assets of all mutual funds also decreased to $1.02 trillion from $1.03 trillion the month before while assets of long-term funds fell to $537.8 billion from $554.7 billion in August.

Short-term fund assets also slipped during the month to $484.4 billion from $484.8 billion the month before.

Jacob Dreyer, the institute's vice president and chief economist, attributed

the falloff to declining stock prices.

''Portfolio values of equity funds shrank in September by about 5 percent and those of bond funds by over 1 percent,'' he said. ''Despite the turmoil in financial markets, mutual fund shareholders stayed the course.''

Dreyer said there were no significant outflows from either short- or long-term funds.

Sales of stock mutual funds totaled $4.4 billion in September, down from $5.1 billion in August and $5.5 billion from year-earlier levels. Growth-and-income funds topped equity sales categories with sales of $1.7 billion and also led sales of all long-term funds.

Bond and income mutual fund sales declined to $5.6 billion in September from $8.3 billion in August but increased from $5.4 billion during the same period last year.

Sales of long-term municipal bond funds declined to $1.9 billion from $2.4 billion in August but remained the same as year-ago sales levels.

Total fund redemptions declined to $7.1 billion in September from $9.2 billion in August and $8 billion in September 1989. Equity fund redemptions fell to $3.2 billion during the month from $4.6 billion in August and $3.6 billion in the year-earlier month.

Sales of stock and bond funds in September totaled $2.9 billion, down from $4.2 billion in August and $3 billion in September 1989.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) UPI - The most widely used asthma drug can cause serious complications, including seizures and permanent brain damage, and should be banned for sale without a prescription, a lawyers' group said Tuesday.

While the drug theophylline can provide relief to millions of asthma sufferers when used carefully, doctors and the public are not well advised of the potential dangers, the group said.

''Theophylline can be a life-saver or a life-taker - and an unsuspecting public often doesn't understand the real risks,'' said Michael Maher, president of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America.

The group held a news conference with several doctors who described the dangers and an Everett, Wash., man who sued one of the drug's makers after his daughter suffered brain damage from seizures he said were caused by the drug.

About 10 million Americans suffer from asthma and about 10 million people in the United States, including asthma sufferers and those with other breathing problems, are believed to use theophylline in some form.

The drug is available by prescription and in at least five over-the- counter asthma and bronchitis medications including Bronkaid tablets and Primatene tablets, the lawyers' group said.

Schering-Plough Corp. of Madison, N.J., one of more than 30 companies that make the drug in the United States, held its own news conference immediately afterwards to praise the drug as an ''important, well- established treatment.''

''Properly used, under physician supervision and in accordance with approved labeling, serious theophylline side effects have been very rare,'' the company said.

If used properly, the drug can be very beneficial and safe. But the difference between the amount of the drug that is effective and amount that is unsafe is very small, experts said. Patients may not realize they are taking too much of the drug if they take a non-presciption medicine containing the drug with a prescription form, they said.

In addition, doctors are often not well informed about the potential dangers of the drug and the need to carefully monitor patients, the group said.

The group said it had learned of at least 26 cases of serious complications, including 10 deaths, that had occurred since 1975 among patients taking theophylline.

In addition, there were some 6,000 cases of theophylline overdoses reported nationwide in 1989 alone, including 94 serious cases and 34 deaths, the group said.

''I don't want to see other children have the toxic reaction my daughter did '' said Jeffry Pollock, who said his 7-year-old daughter Jennifer suffered severe brain damage in 1986 due to seizures triggered by the drug and the flu.

The group has asked the Food and Drug Administration to ban the drug in non-prescription form, make warnings for doctors stronger and make warnings for patients clearer.

FDA spokeswoman Faye Peterson said the agency banned the sale of the drug alone without a prescription in 1986, and proposed banning the drug in combination form in 1988 because the dosages were too small to be effective.

Drug companies opposed the ban on combination medicines, and the agency is reviewing additional evidence they submitted in support of their position. But Peterson said she expected the ban to be implemented within a year.

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#90303u1305 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (OCT. 30) UPI - Three Arabs allegedly tried to plant a bomb in a Tel Aviv area store Tuesday but the device exploded prematurely, killing one suspect and wounding the other two, officials said. Two other Arabs were killed in incidents in the Israeli-occupied West Bank.

The events signaled renewed violence against Israelis that erupted Oct. 14 when a West Bank Palestinian stabbed to death three Israelis in Jerusalem. Since then, nine Israelis have been wounded in attacks by Arabs and two Palestinians killed in the communal violence.

The attacks followed Oct. 8 riots in Jerusalem's Old City, when Israeli security forces killed at least 20 Arabs.

In order to prevent more attacks and anti-Arab reprisals, the army sealed off the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip for four days, preventing 110,000 Palestinians from going to work in Isrel. They were reopened Sunday amid debate whether Israel should economically separate itself from the territories.

After two days of relative calm, three Arabs were killed in a rash of incidents Tuesday.

One Palestinian was killed and two wounded by a bomb they allegedly were trying to plant in grocery store exploded prematurely. The dead man and one of the others were brothers who worked in the store, located in Bnei Brak, a predominately ultra-Orthodox suburb of Tel Aviv.

In the West Bank city of Nablus, a Palestinian teenager was shot and killed when he knifed an Israeli guard on a oil delivery truck, military sources said. The guard was moderately wounded in the attack, which occurred near the military administration building.

The guard, who was stabbed about 10 times, managed to fire one shot before the driver called for help. Security forces arrived and shot the attacker when he ignored orders to stop stabbing the man.

The suspect, identified as Haitham Jalamah, 17, by Palestinian sources, belonged to the Hamas Islamic fundamentalist group, Army Radio reported.

However, three masked members of the Islamic Jihad organization marched through the Nablus's Casbah, taking responsibility for the incident and proclaiming Jalamah, 17, a martyr, Palestinian sources said.

Monday, Defense Minister Moshe Arens declared the Islamic Jihad an outlawed organization. The small group, established in the late 1970s, is considered to

be the most extreme Palestinian organizations in the occupied territories, the army spokesman said. Its goals are the destruction of Israel through a holy war and the establishment of a Islamic state.

Nablus, the largest West Bank town, was put under curfew and declared a closed military zone.

Maj. Gen. Yitzhak Mordechai, commander of the Central District, warned that the army would respond forcefully to any attacks.

''It is possible that there will be more attempts such as this,'' he told Army Radio, ''but anyone who tries must know ... he is taking a big risk because the security forces will react, as they reacted here, to prevent any danger to the lives of our forces or citizens.''

Also Tuesday, an Arab stabbed a policeman at the East Jerusalem bus station. The officer was lightly wounded and the suspect arrested, police said.

In Tulkarm refugee camp, a patrol encountered a group of youths wanted by the security forces. During a chase, a youth, identified by Palestinian sources as Ahmed Alsurji, 18, was shot and killed, military sources said. In clashes that erupted later, three Tulkarm residents were wounded, the sources said.

The commander of the area, who was not identified, told Army Radio that Alsurji belonged to a group called the ''Black Tigers'' that allegedly had carried out murders of suspected collaborators in the area.

In Gaza City, a 45-year-old Palestinian suspected of collaborating with Israeli authorities were shot and killed Tuesday by masked Arab activists, Palestinian sources said.

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(OCT. 30) UPI - Scalding steam from a ruptured boiler line killed seven sailors aboard the helicopter carrier Iwo Jima in the Persian Gulf today. One of four sailors injured by the hot pressurized steam died after being helicoptered to the hospital ship U-S-S Comfort. A spokesman says all the injured sailors suffered steam burns. The accident occurred as the Iwo Jima was leaving Bahrain for amphibious exercises in the gulf.

An eighth American serviceman died in an accident in Saudi Arabia during a night exercise. He was identifed as Marine First Lieutenant Michael Monroe of the First Battalion of the Third Marines. A spokesman says Monroe was killed and three other Marines injured when a multi- purpose vehicle flipped over in the desert. So far, 38 U-S servicemen have died in accidents during the Operation Desert Shield build-up.

NASA has its fingers crossed as engineers pump super-cold hydrogen aboard the shuttle Columbia in a crucial search for an elusive fuel leak. The fueling operation began shortly after Noon. The engine compartment of Columbia has been outfitted with a impressive array of television cameras and special sensors to pinpoint any leaks. Also today, the space agency cleared the shuttle Atlantis for launch on a secret military mission on November 9th. That's one day earlier than originally planned.

Israeli police followed a trail of blood today as they arrested two of three Arabs who allegedly tried to plant a bomb in a Tel Aviv grocery store. The third suspect died when the explosion went off prematurely in a predominantly ultra-Orthodox suburb. Military sources also report that a Palestinian was shot and killed after knifing an Israeli guard on an oil delivery truck in the West Bank city of Nablus.

Germany will pay almost eight-BILLION dollars as its part of an agreement that will get 380-thousand Soviet troops out of what used to be East Germany. The withdrawal will come in stages and is expected to be finished by 1994. Until then, the Soviet troops will have to respect German law under terms of the bilateral agreement.

A politician in Germany's Greens environmental party who also is a forestry expert says a report yet to be released shows that air pollution has damaged nearly 60 percent of Germany's forests. A separate survey taken in eastern Germany shows the damage there may be as high as 95-point-five percent. Sulphur dioxide and nitric oxide are blamed as the two major causes of the forestry damage.

Dense fog is blamed, in part, for a pick-up truck-bus accident that injured 22 students headed for classes in Alvin, Texas, this morning. The pick-up truck slammed into the driver's side of the bus, injuring the bus driver as well as the students. The pick-up driver escaped injury. Officials at the Alvin Community Hospital say the students had only minor injuries.

Workers tunneling under the English Channel are about to make history. Project managers say British and French work teams digging from opposite ends will connect a service tunnel with a probe within 24 hours, creating the first direct link between England and the continent. The tunnelers will link up when a two-inch wide steel pipe appears on the French side of the wall of chalky soil. The actual break-through is set for early December. The 31-mile Chunnel will end Britain's geographical isolation from Europe when rail traffic begins in mid-1993.

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HOLLYWOOD (OCT. 30) UPI - The nation's movie theaters have grossed nearly $4 billion so far this year, only about 1 percent behind last year's

record-setting pace, when box office sales reached $5 billion by year's end.

Despite a traditonally slow mid-fall performance, the year-to-date box office hit $3.99 billion over the weekend, compared with $4.05 billion for the same period last year, Daily Variety said Tuesday. In 1988, the total at the same juncture had reached $3.57 billion.

The top 10 movies of the weekend - led by ''Stephen King's Graveyard Shift'' -drew $30.8 million over the weekend, off 7 percent from the previous weekend's $33.1 million and 6 percent behind the $32.6 million scored by the top 10 a year ago.

For the week, the domestic box office reached $68.5 million, off from $81.2 million for the year-ago week. In 1988, the same week produced ticket sales of $64.1 million.

The low box-office figures are unlikely to cause much concern within the industry, as they come just before the big push for Christmas-season films. The only major release expected to open this weekend will be Adrian Lyne's mystery-thriller ''Jacob's Ladder.''

But the Christmas season figures to be busy with Paramount announcing Monday that it will adhere to its previously announced plans to open ''The Godfather Part III'' on Christmas Day. Many had expected the sequel to be delayed.

The Christmas rush will begin Nov. 16 with three films debuting - Disney's animated ''The Rescuers Down Under,'' Fox's thriller ''Home Alone'' and MGM/UA's ''Rocky V.'' Three more major releases will open five days later: Disney's ''Three Men and a Little Lady,'' Fox's ''Predator II'' and Warner's ''The Nutcracker Prince.''

Some of the other major Christmas films this year will be Warner's ''Bonfire of the Vanities,'' Columbia's ''Misery,'' Tri-Star's ''Look Who's Talking Too'' and Universal's ''Kindergarten Cop.''

Meanwhile, ''Ghost'' should become the year's top-grossing film by the end of next weekend. The Patrick Swayze-Demi Moore movie has pulled in $176.5 million for Paramount and trails only Disney's ''Pretty Woman, '' which has collected $177.8 million in ticket sales.

Five other films have topped the $100-million mark this year: New Line's ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles'' coming in at $133.1 million; Paramount's ''Hunt for Red October'' at $120.7 million; Carolco's ''Total Recall'' at $118.3 million; Fox's ''Die Hard 2'' at $114.4 million and Disney's ''Dick Tracy'' at $103.7 million.

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KHARTOUM, SUDAN (OCT. 30) UPI - The Sudanese Army took armored cars and guns into a camp of up to 30,000 refugees on the outskirts of Khartoum, forcing its displaced inhabitants out and reducing their homes to a smoking ruin by Tuesday.

The refugees were then trucked out of the city.

Hilaat Shouk, a notorious shanty on a garbage dump six miles from downtown Khartoum, became a symbol in 1987-8 for those displaced from southern Sudan by the country's southern civil war - a war still raging.

It was a bleak place, a ragbag of sackcloth tents strewn across the vast flat tip where southern tribesmen and women scrounged a feeble existence from bootlegging sorgum beer, charity and whatever menial jobs they could find.

Aid workers, who dealt with these black African refugees in Moslem, Arab-dominated Khartoum, said the settlement, the largest in Khartoum itself, had grown to 30,000 people.

At dawn last Sunday, however, hundreds of soldiers armed with automatic weapons and backed by armored personnel carriers, moved into Hilaat Shouk and started, on government orders, to bulldoze the flimsy dwellings there.

They cut off the water, supplied through stand-pipes by the British- based aid organization Oxfam, the week before.

There was no resistance, and when reporters visited the scene Tuesday, the camp was gone. A huge pall of stinking black smoke rose from burning tents into the hot air. A score of soldiers oversaw the removal by truck of the last stragglers with their possessions.

''They came and told us to pack up and move,'' said James Wala Kot, a camp-dweller who had escaped the security net and set up his makeshift tent on a construction site some distance from Hilaat Shouk.

''They wanted us to go to Jebel Awlia. But there is no water at Jebel Awlia,'' he said.

Aid workers confirmed that at least 150 families had arrived at Jebel Awlia, 25 miles south of Khartoum, where the government designated a site for them to live.

''They have no water, and spent a whole day without food,'' said one worker, who requested anonymity.''There is no work for them there. Hilaat Shouk was a rubbish dumping area. No one wanted it.''

The aid workers said the Sudanese Council of Churches took 50 sacks of grain,

a water truck and 150 blankets down to Jebel to provide scant interim relief to the displaced.

The government announced its intention of moving Khartoum's displaced people at the start of this year, saying the camps were hotbeds of crime and that the land belonged to people who were claiming it back.

The original plan was to work out a comprehensive resettlement scheme with non-governmental organizations. But two weeks ago, the government took a snap decision to start moving people out.

Brig. Pio Yukwan, a member of the staunchly Islamic ruling Revolutionary Command Council, said Tuesday the decision was a humanitarian one, and that the displaced would be better off at Jebel Awlia, which he said was plentifully supplied with water.

''We don't force displaced people to go back home,'' he told a news conference Tuesday.

Sudan currently faces a mounting food crisis in the provinces, with up to five million people facing starvation early next year if help does not come, according to the United Nations watchdog Food and Agriculture Organization.

Given the shortages - and with rationing in the capital - aid workers said they believed the government was privately worried about having so many southerners, mostly black African Christians and animists, on its doorstep.

There are an estimated two million displaced southerners in the Khartoum area, mostly not living in the 23 camps which ring the city.

''The government wants them kept at some isolated place. Maybe these people are a problem. They brew local beer,'' said one aid worker.

Alcohol is banned under Sudan''s strict Islamic law.

''It is easy to move them without people making a protest,'' he said. ''There is no one to represent them.''

The government, meanwhile, Tuesday said food shortages were due to the large number of refugees in the country and said the international community should feed these refugees while the Sudanese looked after themselves.

It denied it had said Monday that it would not accept international food assistance.

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 30) UPI - Scientists reported more encouraging results in the first attempt to treat muscular dystrophy by implanting healthy muscle cells Tuesday, saying the method significantly boosted the strength of three boys' big toes.

In June, Dr. Peter Law of the University of Tennessee at Memphis generated excitement when he reported the experimental procedure, called myoblast transfer, improved muscle strength in the toe of one boy suffering from Duchenne muscular dystrophy.

Now, similar promising results have been produced in two more patients, Law told the Society for Neurosciences annual meeting.

Currently, there is no treatment for Duchenne muscular dystrophy, the most common and severe type of muscular dystrophy in children. The inherited disorder strikes about one in every 3,500 boys, damaging muscles and often leading to death before age 20.

In Law's experiment, three boys ages 10 and 11 received injections of healthy immature muscle cells, called myoblasts, in a foot muscle controlling one of their big toes. The other foot received a dummy injection.

It was hoped the transplanted cells, which are usually taken from a relative, will produce dystrophin, a protein that is missing in the muscles of muscular dystrophy patients because of a genetic defect.

Three months after the transplant procedure, tests show the muscle function in the treated toe had improved 30 percent and 80 percent in the two boys whose transplanted cells were donated by a brother and 13 percent in the boy whose cells came from a non-relative, Law said. In contrast, he said the muscle function grew worse in the untreated toe muscles.

Furthermore, the treated muscles contained dystrophin and looked normal, while the untreated muscles lacked dystrophin and did not look healthy, Law said.

No side effects were reported from the treatment. The boys received the immune-suppresing drug cyclosporine to prevent rejection of the transplanted cells.

Although the early results are heartening in the fight against the deadly disease, researchers emphasized myoblast transfer is taking place on a very limited basis and may never become a standard treatment for muscular dystrophy.

It would take hundreds of millions or billions of cells and thousands of injections to treat all of a patient's muscles. There is also the problem of treating the heart muscle, which is sometimes damaged by the disease.

The Tennessee group has treated 11 muscular dystrophy patients since January

1990. Law did not report on the conditions of the other eight patients.

Researchers at the Montreal Neurological Institute in Canada have also started similar work, transferring myoblasts into an arm muscle of three Canadian boys. Although that team has said the transplants appeared to take, they have not yet released results on dystrophin production or muscle function.

Boston's New England Medical Center and Children's Hospital of San Francisco soon plan to begin myoblast transfer experiments.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (OCT. 30) UPI - A $50 million Delta rocket carrying a $90 million communications satellite was cleared for launch Tuesday, the 200th flight of the workhorse booster since its debut in 1960.

The 126-foot, blue-and-white Delta 2 was scheduled for liftoff at 6:16 p.m. EST from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station. Forecasters predicted an 80 percent chance of good weather, although high upper- level winds were a concern.

The rocket's payload was Inmarsat-2 F1, the first of a new generation of high-power communications satellites built by British Aerospace for the 62-nation International Maritime Satellite Organization, or Inmarsat.

''Inmarsat-2 is a new kind of satellite, specifically designed to handle mobile communications applications,'' Inmarsat Director General Olof Lundberg said in a statement. ''It will ... provide communications to Earth stations small enough to be hand portable.''

The flight plan called for the solar-powered 2,100-pound satellite to be ejected into a preliminary elliptical orbit about 21 minutes after blastoff. An on-board rocket was scheduled to fire later to boost the satellite toward its final circular orbit 22,300 miles above the Indian Ocean equator.

The flight marked the 200th Delta mission dating back to May 13, 1960, when a less powerful version of the McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co. booster debuted carrying an Echo 1 communications satellite.

That mission ended in failure, but a Delta launched three months later, on Aug. 12, 1960, was successful, kicking off one of the most reliable American rocket programs ever mounted. In 199 launches before Tuesday's flight, only 12 were failures.

Constantly upgraded to improve performance, Delta rockets have evolved through 16 different configurations. The Delta 2 currently in service was built by McDonnell Douglas specifically to launch 20 Air Force Global Positioning

System satellites under contracts valued at $669 million.

McDonnell Douglas also markets the rockets on a commercial basis and prior to Tuesday's launch, the company's record stood at 21 successes in a row dating back to May 3, 1986, and a perfect 13 straight for the upgraded Delta 2, including six commercial launches.

Inmarsat-2 F1 is the first satellite owned and operated by the London-based Inmarsat consortium, which has focused on providing global satellite communications service for ships at sea using leased radio transponders aboard eight other satellites.

Ahmad Ghais, director of engineering and operations for Inmarsat, said the organization plans to greatly expand service in the 1990s to include users on the ground and in the air around the world. The company's motto for its expanded service is ''global mobile.''

''Anyone on the go should be able to use our satellites to communicate anywhere on Earth,'' Ghais said.

Inmarsat paid $160 million for its first wholly owned satellite, the Delta 2 rocket and ground services. The price tag also included the cost of about $70 million in insurance that was purchased commercially at a rate of 16.5 percent. The balance of the mission cost was self-insured by the company.

Inmarsat currently provides direct-dial voice, fax and data transmission services for ships at sea. But the company is aggressively marketing small terminals that can be used aboard aircraft or in the field.

Mobile transmission units currently cost about $15,000, but the price is expected to drop into the $5,000 range in a few years, bringing instant satellite communications into the reach of small business users.

''Today we have about 12,000 terminals in use,'' Ghais said. ''Most of these are on ships (but) about 1,000 are on land. We're looking toward hundreds of thousands (of users) later this decade.''

A second Inmarsat-2 satellite is scheduled for launch aboard a Delta 2 in February 1991. Two more satellites will be launched by French-built Ariane rockets in July and November of next year.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) UPI - Supreme Court Justice David Souter, whose nomination hearings this summer were marked by a refusal to disclose his views on abortion, played a key role Tuesday in debate over the only major abortion case before the court this term.

In a series of questions during oral arguments, Souter appeared skeptical about a government effort to bar health care workers at federally financed family planning clinics from discussing abortion as an option with pregnant clients.

Souter asked Solicitor General Kenneth Starr, arguing for the government, whether the proposed regulations to the 20-year-old Title 10 family planning program would let a doctor tell a woman whose life would be threatened by having a baby that ''you are in danger'' and an abortion is indicated.

Starr said the regulations would allow a doctor to tell her she is in danger and needs treatment, but not to recommend an abortion.

''To actually go forward and counsel, 'You need an abortion,' is beyond the regulations,'' said Starr.

But Souter wanted to know why, if the woman already is pregnant and so beyond the government's professed pre-pregnancy scope of the program, a doctor could still not discuss abortion without the clinic risking a loss of government money.

Starr said in that case a physician would have ''transcended the boundaries of Title 10.''

''For all we know, her blood pressure is going to result in a stroke within the next hour,'' Souter said.

In such a circumstance, he asked, cannot a physician perform his normal functions and discuss a full range of medical options with the woman? ''The (government) can in effect preclude professional speech?''

The exchange was part of hour-long oral arguments over whether regulations proposed to Title 10 of the Public Health Service Act of 1970 violate freedom of speech and the rights of poor women to be informed of their medical options.

Title 10 is the largest source of federal support for family planning and reproductive health care, providing about $200 million a year to 4, 000 clinics servicing 5 million low-income women nationwide.

The government claims the regulations are needed to uphold the original intent of Congress not to provide money for abortion-related services.

Opponents acknowledge the government has the right to withhold money for abortions, but claim it cannot prohibit speech simply because it finances a project. A decision in the case is expected sometime next year.

''We depend upon our doctors to tell us the whole truth, whoever is paying the

bill,'' said Laurence Tribe, a lawyer from Harvard Law School arguing the case against the government. ''It's strictly a First Amendment argument.''

Starr said Title 10 is a ''specialized'' family planning program dealing only with pre-pregnancy. It provides a short ''transition'' for pregnant women, said Starr, providing them with a referral list of facilities that focus on childbirth and - under the new regulations - excluding those whose major function is to provide abortions.

Under the regulations, a pregnant woman asking about abortion can be told only that the Title 10 program does not consider it an ''appropriate method of family planning.'' She cannot be told where to go for an abortion.

Starr said various guidelines used to administer Title 10 in the past have caused ''chaos'' and allowed some recipients of government money to violate the original intent of Congress by advocating abortion.

Initially, Title 10 allowed the discussion of abortion as an option. Since 1981 it has required that abortion be mentioned as one of the legal options open to a pregnant client.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Consumer hoarding has helped drive up heating-oil prices and supplies should be sufficient unless there's a war or the winter is "extraordinarily" cold, the oil industry's chief spokesman said Tuesday.

Charles DiBona, president of the American Petroleum Institute, also said oil prices have been driven up by speculation over war in the Middle East rather than any shortage of supplies, but defended the role of oil-trading exchanges.

"We believe that the stocks (of heating oil) held by private individuals and companies outside the petroleum industry are considerably above normal," he replied to a question during a briefing of reporters.

"We think ... customers are entering winter with a lot more heating oil than they normally have," DiBona said, as a result of an unusual surge in buying since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait triggered the Middle East crisis. In addition, heating oil stocks held by the oil industry are six million to seven million barrels above "historical levels" this time of year, he said.

"Barring some unusual, unforeseen developments such as extraordinarily cold weather or loss of crude supply, domestic refineries appear capable of directly supplying all or nearly all the nation's heating oil requirements," he said.

Asked why heating oil prices have risen so sharply, DiBona said, "It's

probably due in the United States ... to stockpiling." The price rise in "middle distillates," which includes heating oil, jet fuel, and diesel, is also a "worldwide phenomenon," the industry executive said.

"There's much more heating oil imported into the United States than gasoline so you're much more affected by world prices," he added. U.S. refineries produce on average 3.3 million barrels a day of heating oil and diesel fuel in winter although they surged above that level last "one-in-70" year winter at the expense of gasoline output, DiBona said.

Imports are normally 200,000 barrels to 400,000 barrels daily and the oil-industry's stocks, currently at 337 million barrels, could be drawn down at the rate of 280,000 barrels a day, he said.

The Energy Department estimates daily demand this winter will average 3.3 million barrels, which could surge to 3.5 million barrels if the coming winter has "one-in-20 year" cold weather rather than last year's "one-in-70," he said. "So, short of some major problem in the Mideast that shuts off crude supplies, we should be in pretty good shape this winter," DiBona said.

Saudi Arabia and other nations of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries have made up all but 500,000 barrels of the 4.2 million to 4.3 million barrels lost daily by the U.N. embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude oil, he said.

Asked if war speculation on the New York Mercantile Exchange, the world's largest oil-trading exchange, rather than any shortage in supply had caused the rise in oil prices, DiBona said prices would have been "softer" without such speculation, but said the exchange had lessened price "volatility."

"I would agree that the current price of crude oil reflects the anticipation of future supply-demand relationships. And if there were not that concern the current supply-demand situation would result undoubtedly in softer prices than there are today," he said.

Members of Congress had said the presence of the Merc and other exchanges are causing rapid changes in price, DiBona said. "I think that's absolutely mistaken. I think the existence of those markets has reduced the volatility, not increased it." Asked how high oil prices would rise if war broke out in the Middle East, DiBona replied, "It's highly unpredictable what would happen."

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(OCT. 30) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period Year Earlier

Baroid Corp (3rd Q)
$155,286,000 $121,092,000
a-$5,508,000 (.08) $4,126,000 (.07)
a-Income from continuing operations.

CF&I Steel Corp (3rd Q)
$67,300,000 $77,592,000
d-$7,534,000 d-$492,000
d-Deficit.

GM Hughes Electronics (3rd Q)
$2,934,500,000 $2,577,000,000
$120,900,000 (.40) $110,600,000 (.37)

Midwest Energy (3rd Q)
$113,726,000 $112,379,000
$7,490,000 (.35) a-$17,419,000 (.81)
a-Includes gain of about (.50) related to non-recurring items which included the sale of the company's propane and Florida Natural gas operations and the recognition of unrealized losses on long tern investments.

Newmont Gold Co (3rd Q)
$160,889,000 $157,081,000
$36,662,000 (.35) $33,489,000 (.32)

Olsten Corp (3rd Q)
$157,455,000 $148,363,000
$4,187,000 (.27) $5,413,000 (.35)

Questar Corp (3rd Q)
$72,670,000 $67,522,000
$1,655,000 (.09) $782,000 (.01)

Southwstrn Elec Svc (1st Q 9-30)
$19,561,000 $16,453,000
$1,702,000 (2.59) $1,239,000 (1.89)

USX Corp (3rd Q)
$5,114,000,000 $4,422,000,000
$163,000,000 (.63) $175,000,000 (.62)

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ROCHESTER, WI (OCT. 30) UPI - Alaska and Hawaii have the highest average prices for gasoline among the 50 states, while Georgia and Missouri have the lowest average prices, a Wisconsin management consulting firm said Tuesday.

The study by Runzheimer International of Rochester, Wis., shows gasoline in Wisconsin is slightly more than the national average of $1.387 a gallon, with an average price per gallon in Wisconsin of $1.406. The study is based on October prices for regular unleaded self-serve gasoline.

The study shows Alaska had the highest average price per gallon of $1.607 cents while Hawaii was second at $1.56. Within the continental United States Nevada, Nebraska, and Oregon had the highest prices, respectively, of $1.49, $1.483, and 1.477. Georgia had the lowest price at $1.286, while Missouri had a price of $1.302, and South Carolina $1.316.

Lee Czarapata, vice president of Runzheimer's Transportation Division, said a variety of factors "influence the discrepancies in gas prices throughout the United States." He said the top factors are the state gas tax, which is added directly to the retail pump price, as well as availability of fuel.

"If there is a great deal of competition in an area with discount service stations and off-brands available, gas prices will be less," he said. "In out-of-the-way places, where gas stations are few and far between, gas prices will be higher."

He also said transportation costs of fuel and cost of living are important factors in the cost of gasoline. "In areas of high labor rates and real estate costs, prices will be pushed higher by the general economy," he said.

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TACOMA, WA (OCT. 30) UPI - Like a turkey with oven reservations on Thanksgiving, being a black cat around Halloween is risky business.

Ask Tom Prest, manager of the Garden and Pet Store in suburban Lakewood, who has come to shun any dealings with black cats before Allhallows Eve.

''They are probably used for everything from pranks to other more morbid possibilities and it's something we don't want to get into,'' Prest said Tuesday. ''We're selling these animals as pets and there's too much of a possibility that somebody might use them for other purposes.''

Several weeks before Halloween, Prest stops accepting donations of black kittens.

''If somebody calls offering a black kitten, we just suggest that they hold on to them for a couple of weeks and try back after Halloween, '' he said.

And he has a warning for owners of black cats: Keep them indoors!

''There are always rumors of some sort of satanic cult snatching black cats

and barbecuing them. The more prominent issue, though, is how many of them are going to be used for tricks.''

Last week, a local resident came in asking for help finding a missing pet. When Prest heard it was a black cat, he offered his condolences and told the customer to avoid having too much hope.

''That's the other side of it,'' Prest said. ''I have only circumstantial evidence, but there seems to be a substantial amount of theft of black cats, or at least a substantial number of black cats that turn up missing this time of year.''

Prest took over his pet store three years ago and adopted his black cat policy on the advice of existing staff.

''Last year we had a kitten in within a few weeks before Halloween and one of my employees was suspcious of some of the people that were looking at it, because they didn't look very reliable.

''Sometimes we've had a bunch of teenagers running in trying to buy them around Halloween. So I don't sell them, nor do I sell chicks around Easter.''

Regarding the latter, Prest notes that local laws no longer allow the selling of individual chicks ''because people were buying baby chicks and giving them to kids and they (the chicks) were dead within a week.''

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(OCT. 30) UPI - Eight more American lives were lost in Operation Desert Shield today... seven of them sailors aboard the helicopter carrier U-S-S Iwo Jima. Three other sailors were seriously burned in the incident, in which a high-pressure steam line burst, scalding the crewmen.

Another American- a Marine- was killed when a multi-purpose ''humvee'' vehicle overturned during a night exercise in Saudi Arabia. Three other Marines were injured in that accident.

President Bush met with bi-partisan congressional leaders and his top military brain trust at the White House today and called for a continued build-up of U-S forces in the Persian Gulf. Maine Republican Senator William Cohen said after the 75-minute meeting- ''I don't have any impression we're moving closer to war.''

Gasoline prices didn't go up last week, but they didn't come down either. The American Automobile Association says the average nation-wide price of a gallon of regular unleaded sold at self-service pumps was unchanged at one dollar 38 cents. It's the first time gasoline prices have NOT risen in five weeks.

Engineers are pumping super-cold liquid hydrogen into the fuel tanks on the shuttle Columbia in a critical test to determine whether any more hydrogen leaks exist on the spacecraft. The Columbia has been grounded since May because of hydrogen leaks.

Private economists got a surprise this morning when the Commerce Department reported that the nation's gross national product- the total of all goods and services produced in the U-S economy- was one-point- eight percent higher in the third quarter. The stronger-than-expected increase is attributed to consumers buying cars, vans and trucks.

Officials from Poland and Germany are meeting in Warsaw for two days of talks on a treaty confirming the existing post-war border between the countries. The western portion of Poland, between the Oder and Neisse Rivers, used to belong to Germany. But the Germans say they will make NO claim to any territory.

In northern India today, security forces opened fire on thousands of Hindus as they tried to begin construction of a temple on the site of 16th Century Moslem mosque. The official Press Trust of India says thousands of Hindus broke down barricades in a Hindu holy town 345-miles southeast of New Delhi. The violence came despite roadblocks, a curfew and the presence of thousands of para-military troops.

Gourmet Kobe beef is making its debut in New York City today, but a 12-ounce steak from one of the hand-massaged, beer-fed steers will cost you 100 dollars. The meat is so expensive because of the tender, loving care the cattle receive... including daily rubdowns with swatches of straw and beer fed from a baby bottle.

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(OCT. 30) UPI - A steam line connected to a boiler ruptured aboard the USS Iwo Jima in the Persian Gulf, killing eight sailors and seriously burning two others, and a Marine died when a vehicle overturned in Saudi Arabia, U.S. military officials said Tuesday.

President Bush met at the White House with congressional leaders and his national security advisers. He staked out a ''stay the course'' strategy for the crisis, calling for a continued build-up of U.S. forces for possible use in the event other measures do not push Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait.

Bush signaled a continued reliance on economic pressure and military intimidation during the meeting.

Sen. William Cohen, R-Maine, said Bush did not indicate the economic sanctions

meant to punish Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, were nearing a make-or-break point and added, ''I don't have any impression we're moving closer to war.''

Also Tuesday, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz said Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev had contributed to the search for a peaceful solution to the standoff.

''There were certain positive elements regarding the search for a peaceful solution and the recognition of the existence of a link between regional issues,'' Aziz told state-run Baghdad Radio.

Gorbachev, the winner of the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize, told reporters that war in the gulf is unacceptable and the crisis must be settled peacefully. Gorbachev, who met for two days with French President Francois Mitterrand, suggested Saudi Arabia work toward an ''inter-Arab'' solution.

Gorbachev's statement came the day after a Soviet envoy failed to win a promise from Iraq that it would end its nearly 3-month-old occupation of the gulf emirate.

The Palestine Liberation Organization welcomed Gorbachev's proposal. ''There is a serious attempt going on now to reach an Arab solution to the gulf crisis '' PLO official Nabil Shaath told reporters in Cairo. ''And there has also been an encouraging Iraqi response.''

At the Pentagon, Navy spokesman Lt. Cmdr. Alan Dooley said steam leaked from the Iwo Jima's boiler system as the helicopter carrier left Manama, Bahrain after a routine port call. Six sailors died at the scene and two others after being taken to the Navy hospital ship USNS Comfort. The other two injured also were put aboard the hospital ship.

The Iwo Jima, which arrived in the gulf Sept. 16 from its home port in Norfolk Va., was heading for amphibious exercises, said Navy spokesman Cmdr. J.D. Van Sickle in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. The ship is part of the U.S.-led international force dispatched to the gulf region after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

''Shortly after it got under way, the ship suffered a leak in a steam line, a rupture in a steam line in the boiler room,'' Van Sickle told CNN.

In another accident, a U.S. Marine was killed and three others injured when a multipurpose ''humvee'' vehicle overturned during a night exercise in Saudi Arabia, a Marine spokesman in Washington said.

The spokesman identified the dead Marine as 1st. Lt. Michael N. Monroe. His hometown was not immediately available. The injured servicemen, from the 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines, were in stable condition on a Navy hospital ship.

A Marine spokesman in Saudi Arabia said three other sailors were injured, one seriously, Monday when two 50-caliber rounds apparently were accidently fired into their vehicle as it approached a Marine outpost.

In all, 38 U.S. servicemen have died in accidents during Operation Desert Shield.

The Pentagon announced that U.S. forces would conduct amphibious exercises in the north Arabian Sea from Tuesday through Nov. 8. The exercises involve 20 airplanes and 75 helicopters. Pentagon officials would not disclose the number of ships or Marines involved.

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DUMFRIES, Scotland (OCT. 30) UPI - Pan American World Airways staff at London's Heathrow Airport made two security blunders on Dec. 21, 1988, the day a bomb was placed aboard a Boeing 747, destroying the plane and killing 270 people, a security official said Tuesday.

Michael Jones, who served as Pan Am's security manager at Heathrow at the time of the disaster, told a fatal accident inquiry that the breaches involved twice allowing baggage to go on a flight unaccompanied by a passenger, a contravention of U.S. aviation regulations.

He said no blame had been passed for breaking of the rules, which are aimed at preventing an extremist from checking a bomb onto an aircraft and then not taking the flight.

Jones said an American passenger, Jaswant Singh Basuta, had been singled out for special checks and did not take his seat on doomed Flight 103, but his luggage remained on the New York-bound aircraft.

He said the baggage of Nicola Hall - a 23-year-old Australian secretary who was one of the 270 victims of the tragedy - had been sent on an earlier flight also breaking the rules.

Jones, a former detective sergeant with London Metropolitan police, said Basuta had been singled out as ''an individual of possible concern.'' He had discovered Basuta was missing and then located the passenger, who he instructed to swiftly go to the departure gate.

Asked if Basuta had been casual and relaxed or unconcerned, Jones replied: ''He ran towards the departure gate - he wanted to be on the flight.''

Jones said he was not aware of any instructions to take special security precautions for the flight. Since the disaster, procedures had been altered

and there was now a full reconciliation of baggage and passengers, he said.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) UPI - Yields fell on two-year T-notes Tuesday to an average of 7.84 percent, the lowest since 7.71 percent in December 1989, the Treasury Department announced.

The government said it auctioned $12.1 billion of the 7 3/4 percent interest rate notes at an average of $99.836. At the September auction, the average yield was 8.18 percent.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 30) UPI - Thousands of people held candles and prayed Tuesday at a ceremony unveiling a stark grey boulder placed near the KGB's Lubyanka headquarters as a monument to the millions once imprisoned in Soviet labor camps.

The Memorial Society, dedicated to those who suffered during the reign of terror initiated by Josef Stalin, staged the emotionally charged demonstration in downtown Moscow in the shadow of the looming black statue of Felix Dzherzhynsky, founder of the secret police.

''The best minds of our country were exterminated in the prison camps,'' said Genrikh Altunyan, an Armenian deputy from the Ukraine. ''We must do everything possible so that this will never happen again.''

Altunyan told the crowd, which police said numbered about 5,000 people, that he served time in a labor camp several times in the 1970s and 1980s.

Throughout the rally, people passed up red carnations to be placed on the boulder's grey marble base with the inscription: ''This rock from the grounds of the Solovetsky Labor Camp has special significance and was erected by the Memorial Society in honor of the millions of victims of the totalitarian regime.''

The 3-foot-3 boulder, sitting at a slant on the larger base, was transported by ship from Solovetsky, a monastery converted into the first prisoner camp in the early years of Communist rule after the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution.

Demonstrators, bundled up against a brisk autumn evening, lighted candles, held up photographs of loved ones who disappeared in the labor camps, observed a minute of silence and sang in a prayer service led by Russian Orthodox priest Gleb Yakushin.

Several clusters of Orthodox believers held aloft long staffs supporting icons in ornate gold frames glistening in the candlelight. Siberian poet Yevgeni Yevtushenko recited verses of homage to the Gulag victims, his voice ringing out in the night.

Several demonstrators interviewed in a Soviet television news report on the ceremony, broadcast later Tuesday night, broke down in tears as they told of relatives who had died in prison camps.

Alexei Artsibushev, 71, wore the battered, faded-brown stocking cap from his time in labor camps from 1946 to 1955 above the Arctic Circle in the northern cities of Vorkuta and Inta. The hat bore his prison identification number, U-102.

''We prisoners didn't have names,'' he said. ''We just had serial numbers, like cars.''

Artsibushev, wearing a wooden icon around his neck, said he was charged with engaging in ''anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda,'' but his eyes glistened as he recounted his activities in helping to run an illegal underground church.

''We did everything that needed to be done,'' he said.

Nearly all the dozens of banners and posters held aloft at the demonstration carried anti-KGB or anti-Communist slogans.

One banner showed two hands dripping with blood and read: ''The KGB has not washed its hands of blood.''

Other signs said ''Victims of Communist terror - the people remember you,'' and ''How much longer can we stand the Communist paradise?''

Speakers demanded that the KGB turn over its archives and allow the establishment of an institute to study the infernal machine that condemned millions to work in the Gulag camps on trumped-up charges often based on forced denunciations by acquaintances.

''This shows that society wants to take this organization (the KGB) into its own hands,'' said Yuri Mitunov, an independent Soviet journalist. ''Before, such a demand was considered extremist.''

Moscow Communist Party chief Yuri Prokofiev, who participated in the ceremony, said the deaths of millions of people in labor camps was ''homocide against the people and the party,'' but many demonstrators clearly implicated the party in the crime.

#90303u1494 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 30) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Tuesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	77.45	77.70	76.95	77.05	77.32
Feb	74.50	74.87	74.35	74.45	74.52
Apr	75.20	75.40	74.90	75.02	75.10
Jun	73.00	73.15	72.80	72.85	72.92
Aug	71.50	71.65	71.32	71.35	71.40
Oct	71.90	72.10	71.62	71.62	71.80
Dec	....	....	72.17	72.17	72.20

Est. sales 11,717 contracts; Monday 13,045; open interest 67,414 up 269.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Nov	87.25	87.75	87.20	87.27	87.07
Jan	85.57	85.80	85.15	85.27	85.57
Mar	83.75	83.90	83.60	83.77	83.72
Apr	82.90	83.05	82.50	82.52	82.72
May	82.10	82.20	81.85	81.85	82.10
Aug	80.90	81.00	80.90	80.90	80.80
Sep	80.20	80.20	80.00	80.00	80.10

Est. sales 1,500 contracts; Monday 1,122; open interest 9,315 off 1,570.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	51.35	51.72	51.05	51.42	51.45
Feb	49.47	49.80	49.20	49.55	49.47
Apr	46.75	47.05	46.55	46.75	46.75
Jun	50.40	50.92	50.30	50.50	50.50
Jly	50.65	50.95	50.65	50.95	50.85
Aug	49.20	49.25	49.00	49.25	49.35
Oct	....	44.75	44.75	44.77	44.90
Dec	....	....	44.75	44.75	45.02

Est. sales 7,827 contracts; Monday 12,729; open interest 24,819 off 384.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	60.45	61.00	59.32	60.30	60.95
Mar	60.40	60.85	59.30	59.95	60.82
May	60.10	60.65	59.45	59.90	60.45
Jly	59.20	59.60	58.70	59.05	59.50
Aug	57.55	57.55	56.90	56.90	57.87

Est. sales 6,117 contracts; Monday 4,672; open interest 8,494 off 567.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Tuesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 127.30 up 2 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 127.04 up 14 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 118.37 up 72 cents, 700-850 lbs. 117.58 up 62 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light; fresh pork loins mostly 5.00 lower; Boston butts were not tested; skinned hams mostly 2.00 lower; seedless bellies 2.00-3.50 lower; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 98.00-108.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 107.00, 20-26 lb 101.00; bellies 12-14 lbs. 47.00-48.50, 14-16 lbs. 47.00-48.50, 16-18 lbs. 45.00-46.00.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 8 to 13 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.30	9.54	9.19	9.47	9.39
May	9.30	9.59	9.25	9.52	9.44
Jly	9.26	9.58	9.26	9.57	9.46
Oct	9.30	9.65	9.30	9.61	9.49
Mar	9.40	9.72	9.40	9.71	9.58

Estimated sales: 12,363 contracts

Open interest: 109,429 off 1,788

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.49

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 33 points higher to 2 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.15	23.17	23.13	23.14	23.16
Mar	23.24	23.25	23.15	23.20	23.15
May	23.35	23.35	23.30	23.32	23.26
Jly	23.35	23.37	23.33	23.33	23.26
Sep	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.24
Nov	23.05	23.10	23.05	23.09	23.05
Jan	23.00	....	....	23.37	23.04

Estimated sales: 292 contracts

Open interest: 10,871 off 85

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#90303u1517 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - New York may lose its status as the nation's second movie-making capital because studios feel the cinematographers' union has made production too expensive, industry sources reported Tuesday.

Most of the major production studios, represented by the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers, have been negotiating with the International

Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees and Moving Picture Machine Operators for a new contract to replace one which expires Wednesday.

No agreement has been reached and talks were reported at an impasse. City Hall was reported to be worried that studios are writing New York out of their scripts.

"If there is no contract, there probably won't be any movie starts scheduled here beginning Thursday," said Patrick Pleven, a spokesman for the Mayor's Office for Film, which works with the film industry to encourage movie-making in the city.

"We're very possibly looking at months without production in the city," said Nick Counter, president of the producers' alliance headquartered in Sherman Oaks, Calif. "Under current contracts with IATSE, the film-making situation in New York has become just too expensive."

Film production in New York reached a new high this year with 127 permits for feature films issued by the city through Oct. 19, compared with 101 permits for the entire year of 1989, Pleven said.

This makes New York the film industry's "second city" after Hollywood, having experienced a 35 percent increase in feature film-making in the past five years.

Pleven described feature films as a "big part" of the $3 billion that film-making, including television, documentaries, commercials, industrials and educational films, pours into the city's economy annually.

He said movie producer who are not a part of the filmakers' alliance probably will go ahead with plans to make films already scheduled. "Woody Allen, for instance, is set to start work on a new film here Nov. 15," Pleven said.

Studios affected by a failure to reach a new congract with IATSE locals 644, representing cinematographers, and 52, representing studio mechanics, would include Paramount, Columbia, Warner Bros., 20th Century Fox, Orion, and MGM. Universal and Disney are not involved in current negotiations.

According to Pleven, feature films spend $100,000 to $150,000 a day on location, more than commercials and other types of film which spend about $75,000 a day.

Industry sources said the producers have insisted IATSE accept rules agreed to last year by members of the union working in Hollywood that makes a contract week any five days worked at staight time for an eight hour day. Time-and-a-half is paid after eight hours through 14 hours.

IATSE's New York contract stipulates that the five-day work week is Monday

through Friday with double time after eight hours, double-and-a- half time after 14 hours and double time on weekends.

A major consideration in a halt to studio activity in the city after Wednesday is film executives' uncertainty that the unions will continue to work without a contract, although IATSE has not called for a strike, sources said.

One film in the making in Manhattan, "Other People's Money," will move filming to Connecticut Thursday, according to produce Norman Jewison.

Lou D'Agostino, a spokesman for IATSE Local 644, said one of the issues preventing a settlement is the producers' refusal to give New York workers the same pension and welfare fund contributions, derived from residuals, that have been given Hollywood workers.

The union disputes the producers' claim that New York workers get an equivalent amount in payouts and insists on a share of residuals, D'Agonstino said.

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#90303u1527 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (OCT. 30) UPI - Former Socialist Transport and Communications Minister George Petsos was remanded to custody Tuesday after appearing before a special magistrate investigating an embezzlement scandal.

Petros, who told journalists he he was innocent of any involvement in the scandal, was the second minister in the Cabinet of former Socialist Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou to be remanded to custody in a month.

A special court, set up by the Vouli or Parliament last year, is currently investigating the involvement of ministers in Papandreou's government in the embezzlement of some $200 million from the privately owned Bank of Crete.

Former Bank of Crete chief George Koskotas, who was at the center of the scandal, was charged with siphoning off the money from the bank and paying part of the embezzled amount into the campaign funds of Papandreou's Pan-Hellenic Socialist Movement, or PASOK.

Koskotas, who was arrested in the United States on other charges in 1988, is currently awaiting extradition to Greece.

Petsos testified for four hours before the special court Tuesday before he was remanded to custody. He was among four PASOK ministers, including Papandreou, ordered by the Greek Parliament last year to appear before the court.

Oct. 2, former PASOK Deputy Premier Agamemnon Koutsoyorgas was also remanded to custody after appearing before the special court.

The Koskotas scandal, as it is called, contributed to Papandreou's fall from power in the June 1989 elections. The former premier has denied all involvement in the scandal.

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#90303u1528 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 30) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.62	2.65	2.61 1/2	2.64 1/4	2.61 1/4
Mar	2.75	2.79	2.75	2.78 1/2	2.75
May	2.82 3/4	2.86 1/4	2.82 3/4	2.86	2.82 3/4
Jly	2.88 1/4	2.90 1/2	2.87 1/2	2.89 1/4	2.87
Sep	2.92	2.95 1/4	2.92	2.95 1/4	2.92
Dec	3.05	3.05	3.05	3.05	3.03
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.29 1/4	2.32	2.28 3/4	2.31	2.28 1/2
Mar	2.38 1/4	2.41 1/2	2.38 1/4	2.40 1/4	2.38 1/4
May	2.44 3/4	2.47 3/4	2.44 3/4	2.47	2.44 1/2
Jly	2.49	2.52 1/4	2.49	2.51 1/2	2.49
Sep	2.48	2.50	2.48	2.48 1/2	2.47 1/4
Dec	2.48 1/4	2.49 1/2	2.47 3/4	2.48 1/2	2.47 3/4
Mar	2.55	2.55	2.55	2.55	2.54
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.19	1.21 1/2	1.18 3/4	1.20 3/4	1.19
Mar	1.29 1/2	1.31 1/2	1.29 1/2	1.31	1.29
May	1.37	1.38 1/4	1.36 3/4	1.37 1/2	1.35 3/4
Jly	1.43 1/2	1.43 3/4	1.43	1.43 1/4	1.41 1/2
Sep	1.48	1.49 1/4	1.48	1.49 1/4	1.47 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	5.90 1/2	5.94 3/4	5.90	5.90 1/2	5.90 1/2
Jan	6.07 1/2	6.11 1/2	6.07	6.07 3/4	6.07 1/2
Mar	6.22 1/2	6.26 1/4	6.21 1/4	6.22 1/4	6.21 1/2
May	6.35 1/2	6.39	6.34	6.35	6.35 1/2
Jly	6.46 1/2	6.49 3/4	6.44	6.44 1/4	6.45 3/4
Aug	6.47	6.49	6.43 1/2	6.43 3/4	6.45 3/4
Sep	6.27	6.27 1/2	6.22	6.22	6.25 1/2
Nov	6.19	6.19 1/2	6.15	6.15 1/4	6.18 1/4
Jan	6.31 1/2	6.31 1/2	6.27 1/2	6.27 1/2	6.29 1/2
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					

Dec	21.78	21.90	21.69	21.84	21.78
Jan	22.10	22.16	21.99	22.12	22.06
Mar	22.52	22.63	22.45	22.56	22.51
May	22.95	23.02	22.85	22.91	22.90
Jly	23.25	23.25	23.11	23.15	23.16
Aug	23.25	23.25	23.10	23.10	23.17
Sep	23.05	23.15	23.05	23.05	23.10
Oct	22.80	22.80	22.75	22.77	22.80
Dec	22.75	22.75	22.63	22.65	22.70
Jan	....	....	....	22.65	22.70

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	178.00	179.00	177.60	177.80	178.10
Jan	180.50	185.00	179.80	180.00	180.40
Mar	184.50	185.00	183.80	184.10	184.50
May	186.80	187.30	186.10	186.40	186.70
Jly	189.50	189.50	188.60	189.00	189.00
Aug	190.00	190.00	188.50	188.50	189.20
Sep	188.50	189.00	186.80	186.80	187.80
Oct	185.00	185.00	183.50	183.50	185.00
Dec	185.00	185.00	184.00	184.00	185.80

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PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (OCT. 30) UPI - The Slovak premier says nationalist extremists may resort to terrorism to promote their aims for an independent Slovakia.

Premier Vladimir Meciar told a meeting of local government officials Monday that ''extreme nationalists would stop at nothing,'' the Communist Party newspaper Rude Pravo reported Tuesday.

''Some groups of the population may be armed,'' he said, adding that terrorist actions have been announced.

Meciar said he expected a ''national bloc'' of extremists led by Slovak National Party leader Vitazoslav Moric to declare Slovak sovereignty Nov. 17, the first anniversary of the ''Velvet Revolution,'' and to declare independence shortly thereafter.

Meciar's spokesman, Martin Hric, confirmed the premier's remarks. He also said Soviet soliders in Czechoslovakia and others whom he would not name were selling arms to extremists.

Over the weekend, 1,800 border guards and several hundred extra police were sent to Slovakia to beef up police patrols.

Boris Lazar, a senior official with Public Against Violence, Civic Forum's sister group, said PAV had received anonymous threats against its leaders, and expected that some unbalanced extremists could resort to violence.

''There is a possibility of violence against some politicians, but I don't think the Slovak nation would make or back a putsch,'' he said.

Leading the extremist movement is Vitazoslov Moric, who heads the Slovak National Party. He is joined by Matica Slovenska, Slovak Heritage Group, Roots Movement for Freedom of Slovaks, and the Stur Society, named after Ludovit Stur, who a century ago codified the Slovak language.

Slovaks resent centralized rule from Prague and being looked down on by Czechs. After 1,000 years of Hungarian rule, Slovakia was made part of the newly established Czechoslovak Republic in 1918.

Its only period of sovereignity was the five years when Nazi Germany annexed Czech territory.

With the fall of communism, the Slovaks have again begun to establish their national credentials.

Several SNP leaders have, however, distanced themselves from Moric, and affirmed their commitment to keeping Slovakia in its federation with Czech lands.

Meciar warned Matica Slovenska members to consider carefully the views of its leader, Jozef Markus, who said the movement had exceeded its role. ''The state cannot afford to finance this organization when it is fighting the state,'' he said.

In a related campaign, about four dozen students entered the fifth day of their hunger strike on the steps of the Slovak National Council in Bratislava. They are protesting a law they say does not go far enough to make their native tongue their republic's official language.

The extremists want Slovak to be the official language in all public places. The Slovak parliament approved a more moderate law that would allow regions with 20 percent minority populations to use the minority tongue officially.

Slovakia's 5 million population is about 15 percent minority, speaking Hungarian, Polish, Ukrainian, German or Romany.

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#90303u1564 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Gold futures closed Tuesday 560 to 600 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	378.00	378.00	378.00	379.70	373.70
Dec	375.50	382.30	374.30	381.70	375.80
Feb	379.70	386.50	379.00	385.60	379.80
Apr	383.60	389.80	383.00	389.10	383.40
Jun	387.60	387.20	387.20	393.00	387.30
Aug	396.00	397.00	396.00	396.80	391.20
Oct	394.90	....	....	400.80	395.20
Dec	398.90	....	....	404.80	399.20
Feb	409.20	....	....	409.20	403.60
Apr	407.40	....	....	413,60	407.70
Jun	413.40	....	....	417.80	412.10
Aug	416.60	....	....	422.60	416.90

Open interest: 114,123 up 352.

Estimated sales: 50,000 contracts.

-30- 997

#90303u1618 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (OCT. 30) UPI - British and French tunnelers inched toward each other beneath the waters of the English channel Tuesday, on schedule for the link-up that will end Britain's geographical isolation from Europe.

An official of Eurotunnel, the consortium building the gargantuan project from the British end, said the two work teams would connect with a probe within the next 24 hours in the drilling of a service tunnel.

She said the British tunnellers had stopped their machine and inserted a 2.3-inch-wide steel pipe into the chalky soil a distance of 110 yards. The French machine was still grinding onward and was now about 10 yards from the hole left by the probe, she said.

''That is when you get what is called a technical junction,'' the spokeswoman said. ''We believe everything is on course, but it is not something you can predict with absolute accuracy.''

The probe will enable engineers to confirm whether the tunnel is heading in the right direction for the actual breakthrough, now scheduled for early December, she said.

The significance of the event was not lost on British workers who call themselves ''the Tunnel Tigers.'' In reports they said the hole would be large enough for them to get a ''whiff of garlic'' from the French side.

A formal linkup ceremony will take place in January, when British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and French President Francois Mitterrand will meet at the midway point to shake hands and celebrate Britain's first physical link with the continent.

Rail traffic is scheduled to start rolling through the 31-mile link of two rail and one service tunnels in mid-1993 at the completion of the $15 billion project that began in January 1986.

The end of Britain's historical role of sitting in ''splendid isolation'' from the continent has inspired emotional debate in the island nation. Thatcher has come under criticism for not putting government money into building a high-speed rail link, meaning French bullet trains will have to slow down upon entering England.

-30- 2256

#90303u1619 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

HIGHLAND PARK, Mich. (OCT. 30) UPI - Chrysler Corp. and the United Auto Workers announced Tuesday a tentative three-year agreement that UAW President Owen Bieber hailed as ''a pattern settlement in all respcets'' to the ones reached earlier at General Motors Corp. and Ford Motor Co.

The pact, covering about 67,000 U.S. hourly and salaried workers, came following a final bargaining session that lasted nearly 28 hours and a meeting between Bieber and Chrysler Chairman Lee Iacocca that may have moved the talks off center.

Bieber said the issue of job security was ''the major stumbling block'' and added that ''there were times when it looked bleak.''

But he said, ''It's a pattern settlement in all respects.''

''We always look for a silver lining... we found that silver lining today,'' Bieber said smiling broadly.

-30- 1026

#90303u1632 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 30) UPI - South African business leaders declared Tuesday they had a "vital stake" in the outcome of negotiations on a post-apartheid constitution and appealed to the government for a place in the bargaining process.

About 300 delegates at the annual meeting of the South African Chamber of Business voted overwhelmingly to call on the government of President Frederik de Klerk to ensure business has a voice in the looming negotiations. A resolution was approved "in the firm conviction that business has a vital

stake in the outcome of political negotiations for the new South Africa."

It said the country needed a political system that "will inspire business confidence and attract further investment" and called on "the government and all political leaders to create the necessary mechanisms" for business to join the drafting process.

The government expects to begin formal negotiations next year with black leaders on a new constitution to end 42 years of minority white rule under a sweeping racial reform program launched by de Klerk ten months ago.

The appeal by business for a role in the power-sharing talks follows extensive debate on a future economic system between supporters of a free market economy and the African National Congress, which has endorsed a mixed economy and nationalization as a way to redistribute the country's wealth.

Johannesburg business leaders, in a background document, expressed concern over the ANC's proposals and warned against "creating a climate of needless uncertainty for existing businesses and potential investors."

"Dubious and failed systems such as socialist centrally planned economies will as has been the experience in Eastern Europe, Africa and elsewhere, lead not to wealth creation but to a destructive loss of the opportunities which could otherwise exist," it said.

"Business will have to deal with nationalization and related arguments as vigorously and critically as it previously dealt with interventionist policies by the government."

-30- 2274

#90303u1635 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA (OCT. 30) UPI - Manuel Jimenez Borbon, former president of the Inter-American Press Association and publisher of the newspaper La Nacion, died Tuesday after a long illness. He was 54.

Jimenez suffered from gastro-intestinal cancer that later spread to his bone marrow, family members said.

His illness had drawn him away in recent months from his work as publisher of La Nacion, the prinicipal newspaper in the country, and as vice president of the Inter-American Press Association, a position he held to his death.

He was president of the presitigious press association from October 1988, to October 1989.

Jimenez, a lawyer and journalist, directed the largest media company in Costa Rica during the last 10 years, bringing in advanced technology and

diversifying many of its publications.

In early October, La Nacion inaugurated a new division called Impresos Comerciales, a state-of-the-art computerized printing service for private companies, worth more than $3 million.

Jimemenz is survived by his wife Bertha Rodriguez and four children. He is also survived by his father, Manuel Jimenez de la Guardia, who is an important agro-industrial businessman and former Finance Minister, and his brother Rodolfo, an economic adviser to President Rafael Calderon.

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#90303u1647 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $16 to $26 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.10 cent to 0.65 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.00 cent to 1.75 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.16 to 0.62 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $5.60 to $6.00 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $18.40 to $18.70 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.60 cent to 1.65 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 8.8 to 9.3 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.008 to 0.013 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90303u1663 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed broadly lower in cautious trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed slightly lower in thin trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 3/4 to 2 1/2, soybeans up 3/4 to down 3 1/2, wheat up 2 to 3 1/2 and oats up 1 3/4 to 2 cents.

Cattle Trade - Steady to 50 cents higher; top $80.25.

-30- 742

#90303u1668 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - Haiti's military pledged ''strict neutrality'' Tuesday in forthcoming elections on the impoverished island nation, days after voter registration ended with nearly three-quarters of the eligible voters signed up to cast ballots.

A 22-day voter registration period ended Friday with 71 percent of the eligible voters registering, near the figure of registered voters on Nov. 17, 1987, when celebrated elections ended in violence and military intervention. Twenty-six people have registered to run for president, including two figures linked to Haiti's former dictatorship.

''The military institution will observe with strict neutrality the electoral process,'' said a statement issued by the military's high command Tuesday. The statement also affirmed that the military would take precautions to provide security at polling places when citizens vote in national elections scheduled for Dec. 16.

Backing up the military's support for election is the arrival in Port-au-Prince of 30 military observers from a United Nations team to ensure that the Haitian military can prevent an outbreak of violence and protect voters.

Hundreds of additional international observers are expected to arrive in Haiti the poorest nation in the Western Hemisphere and most densely populated, in the coming weeks. The United States, France and Canada have been giving financial and monitoring assistance to Haiti, and former President Jimmy Carter has made three election-related trips to Haiti since July.

The army's support for elections is crucial, because there have been five governments and near-constant turmoil since the ouster of dictator Jean-Claude ''Baby Doc'' Duvalier. He fled in February 1986, and the first free elections after nearly 30 years of Duvalier-family rule ended with at least two dozen dead.

The killings were believed to have been carried out by feared Duvalier private militiamen known as Tontons Macoutes, or ''bogeyman'' in the Haitian tongue of Creole. The army was widely believed to have supported the violence, and the elections were cancelled.

Lt. Gen. Henri Namphy, who was ruling Haiti as an interim leader, stayed on until elections that installed President Leslie Manigat in February 1988. Manigat won in elections viewed by observers as fraudulent and mistakenly tried to curb Namphy's powers. The lieutenant general ousted him June 19, 1988. However, former Duvalier-aide Lt. Gen. Prosper Avril seized power from Namphy in September 1988.

Avril eventually agreed in March 1990 to hand over power to an interim government led by President Ertha Pascal-Touillot, Haiti's first woman president, who now must contend with the presence of former Duvalier Interior Minister Roger Lafontant and former Duvalier military commander Claude Raymond. Both men and Manigat are running for president.

Lafontant returned to Haiti in July from exile in the Dominican Republic, and he vows to win the presidency, even though there is a warrant for his arrest on torture charges. The Haitian Constitution drafted after Duvalier's ouster appears to prohibit any of his close associates from taking elected office. Haiti's provisional electoral council is expected to make a decision on the candidacy of Lafontant and Raymond on Nov. 26.

Political observers in Haiti suggest Lafontant will not be allowed to run for office. However, they say since he remains at large and is still a presidential contender points to possible instability and violence as the elections draw closer.

The military's statement Tuesday indicated it will ''respect legal and constitutional decisions'' by the electoral commission, appearing to publicly back away from Lafontant.

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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (OCT. 30) UPI - Former Olympic diver Bruce Kimball, who killed two people in a drunken-driving accident two years ago, Tuesday was granted a 1993 early parole date.

Kimball, 27, was sentenced to 17 years in prison on charges of manslaughter

and inflicting serious bodily injury. On Aug. 1, 1988, he drove his sports car into a pack of teenagers at a popular hangout beside a dead-end country road near Brandon, a Tampa suburb. He killed two and seriously injured four others.

His initial release date was tentatively set for 1995. The early release for the silver medalist at the 1984 Olympics was approved by the three-member Florida Parole Commission as part of a new state program aimed at reducing prison overcrowding.

The mother of one of the slain victims, Theresa Bedell, attended the short hearing in Tallahassee. She said she was angry Kimball could serve less than five years for the death of her 19-year-old son, Robbie.

''I really feel that Bruce Kimball should be dead and my son should be alive '' she said. ''That's how I feel. But I can accept what society says should be his punishment. What I cannot accept is that these reductions keep continuing. It's wrong.''

Bedell and another youth, Kevin Gossic, 16, were killed in the collision. Kimball was found to have a blood alcohol level of .20 percent, double the amount recognized as intoxicated under state law.

The commission ruling came a day after officials announced a computer glitch stopped the mailing of questionnaires to more than 1,000 victims, including some of the victims in the Kimball case.

The completed questionnaires were intended to be added to the mix of information used by commission members to determine whether an inmate should be granted parole.

Bedell's father, Robert, was the only victim to recieve a questionnaire, and that's only because he called and asked for one.

''I'm mad as hell that he'd even be considered under this program,'' Bedell said. ''I'm not concerned about (Kimball's) future. My son doesn't have a future. Every Christmas, every birthday, every Aug. 1, we have to live with that.''

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#90303u1712 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 30) UPI - Nine American servicemen die in Persian Gulf accidents... President Bush holds a steady course on U-S Gulf policy... NASA finds NO leaks aboard the space shuttle Columbia... and Detroit mobilizes to prevent another Devil's Night arson spree. U-P-I, has it all, next:

The death toll in Operation Desert Shield in the Persian Gulf climbed to at least 40 today because of two more accidents in the area.

Eight sailors were killed and two others seriously burned when a high-pressure steam line burst in a boiler room on the helicopter carrier U-S-S Iwo Jima as it steamed out of Bahrain.

A Marine was killed and three others injured when a multi-purpose vehicle overturned during a night exercise in the eastern Saudi Arabia desert.

The new deaths were reported as the United States moved once again to increase the pressure on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The State Department announced that Secretary of State Baker will fly to seven countries in the Mideast and Europe next week and will meet with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

Reports last week had indicated that Baker would make such a trip and would seek Saudi Arabian permission for a U-S military attack to drive Iraqi forces out of Kuwait.

A spokesman says Baker will leave Saturday morning, flying to Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Turkey, France and Britain. He says Baker will meet with his Soviet counterpart at a site to be announced in Western Europe.

President Bush met with congressional leaders at the White House today, signaling a continued reliance on economic pressure and military intimidation to get Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

After the session, Republican Senator William Cohen of Maine told reporters that he did NOT get the impression that the nation is moving closer to war in the Persian Gulf.

In Independence, Virginia, the manufacturer of Nautilus exercise machinery announced the donation of 100-thousand dollars worth of the machines to U-S troops in Operation Desert Shield.

A spokesman says instructors will accompany four sets of 10 machines each to different locations in Saudi Arabia. He says the first instructor to go will be John Urmston, the managing director of Nautilus who also is a colonel in the U-S Marine Corps Reserve.

It was busy day at Cape Canaveral.

The space agency cleared the shuttle Atlantis for launch on a secret military mission on November 9th. Then, engineers began a fueling test to determine whether a hydrogen leak aboard the shuttle Columbia has been fixed.

Late word from the Kennedy Space Center says Columbia was given a clean bill of health after it didn't spring any leaks.

The launch date announced for Atlantis is one day earlier than originally planned. As with all military flights, details are classified... but the cargo of the shuttle reportedly is a spy satellite.

The Atlantis star-gazing mission is months behind schedule because of a fuel leak that was later repaired.

The problems aboard Columbia were more troubling. At least two separate fuel leaks have delayed Columbia's 10-day astronomy mission more than seven months. Today, technicians watched television screens and special monitors as engineers pumped super-cold rocket fuel in the grounded shuttle's tanks.

Sensors detected only slight levels of hydrogen gas, well below the limit of 600 parts per Million. Spokeswoman Lisa Malone said- ''All appears to have gone well with our tanking operations. Columbia appears to have tight aft compartment.''

NASA wants to launch Columbia during the first week of December.

Forecasters are predicting an 80 percent chance of good weather this evening for the launch of a 50-Million-dollar Air Force Delta-2 rocket from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station.

It will be the 200th flight of the work-horse booster in 30 years. The 126-foot rocket is to put a 90-Million-dollar communications satellite into orbit about 21 minutes after launch.

The Inmarsat1 satellite is the first generation of a new breed of high-power communications satellites built by British Aerospace for the 62-nation International Maritime Satellite Organization.

The first flight of a much less powerful Delta booster on May 13th, 1960, was a failure. But three months later, another Delta successfully orbited the Echo communications satellite. Over the next 199 flights, only 11 other Delta launches were failures.

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#90303u1718 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - The judge considering a sex abuse lawsuit against Mike Tyson Tuesday dismissed one of the charges against the former boxing champ, lowering the price tag on the suit to $3.5 million from $4.5 million.

Judge Michael Mukasey in U.S. District Court threw out 26-year-old Sandra Miller Reese's charge that Tyson ''inflicted intentional emotional distress'' upon her during a confrontation at a Manhattan nightspot.

Reese's $4.5 million civil lawsuit against Tyson, alleges that the onetime champ grabbed her buttocks and breasts in Bentley's disco on Dec. 10, 1988.

During the trial in U.S. District Court, Manhattan's top sex crimes prosecutor testified she was under the impression the former boxing champ apparently ''patted or touched'' the woman rather than forcibly grabbed her.

Linda Fairstein, head of the sex crimes unit in the office of Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau, was subpoenaed by Tyson's defense team to testify in the trial.

On Monday, the 5-foot 6-inch, 120-pound Reese testified Tyson grabbed and cursed when she protested.

''Why are you bothering me?'' the mother of two testified she told him. ''I'm a lady. treat me like a lady. Besides, I have a man.''

''He told me, ''I am the man, Mike Tyson, the heavyweight champion of the world,'' Reese testified.

She said he then grabbed her buttocks and breasts and pushed her.

Called to the stand Monday, Fairstein, referring to notes she took while interviewing Reese, quoted her as complaining she was ''grabbed,'' but after closely questioning her and asking for examples as to the amount of force allegedly used by Tyson, the prosecutor concluded Reese had been more likely been ''patted or touched.''

She said Reese had inquired about how much money she would get out of the case and the assistant district attorney said she had to explain the difference between and a civil and criminal complaint.

The prosecutor told Reese if she, Reese, pursued a criminal case against Tyson providing Fairstein found through further investigation Reese, in fact had a case, he could possibly get off with only a fine, if convicted or could even get some jail time.

Reese wanted to know how much of the fines she would get and Fairstein explained she would ge none of it, the proceeds would go tothe state. To get money she would have to initiate a civil suit, Fairstein said she told her.

Reese then said she would talk to a civil attrney with whom she already had been in contact before deciding to pursue the criminal case, Fairstein testified, adding Reese promised to call the prosecutor.

But she did not, and Fairstein said she telephoned the following day and was told by Reese she had decided against a criminal prosecution.

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#90303u1719 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.80

60 to 89 days 7.75

90 to 119 days 7.80

120 to 149 days 7.71

150 to 179 days 7.67

180 to 270 days 7.64

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.80 - 7.675

Issuers 30 days 7.76

Issuers 90 days 7.73

Issuers 270 days 7.43

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.95

60 to 89 days 8.00

90 to 119 days 8.05

120 to 149 days 8.05

150 to 179 days 8.05

180 days 8.05

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

1 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

3 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

6 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

Year 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.14 - 7.12

6 months 7.15 - 7.13

Year 7.00 - 6.98

Federal Funds: High 7 3/4, Low 7 11-16, Close 7 11-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.716 up 0.038.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90303u1727 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 30) UPI - Analysts waiting around for classic signs of a recession may have to wait a while longer.

The Commerce Department issued its third-quarter gross national product report this morning, and the figures were well above what had been expected.

Strong purchases of automobiles at the end of the 1990-model year helped boost the overall reading on goods and services up one-point- eight percent for the July-to-September period.

And that's well above the growth of eight-tenths of one percentage point that

some analysts had predicted.

A recession, in classic terms, happens when G-N-P figures are down for two consecutive quarters. But first quarter growth was one-point- three percent and second-quarter growth was seven-tenths of one percent.

There are other signs that the economy is cooling down- recession or NO recession.

The Commerce Department reports that sales of new single-family homes dropped 21 percent in September, with the largest decline in the depressed Northeast.

That means home sales last month continued the downward trend that has been going on all year. And they are now down 15 percent for the first nine months of the year.

The September figures show there is a seasonally adjusted supply of new homes that would stretch out eight-point-four months if sales continue as they have.

China disclosed today that its population hit one-pointBILLION people this summer... that's right one-BILLION 130-Million.

That staggering number is the result of the first national head count since 1982. And it indicates that despite serious efforts at birth control, China will NOT meet its goal of holding its population under one-point-two-BILLION by the end of the century.

The latest census was taken in July in all of China's 30 provinces, regions and major cities. Eight years ago, China's population was just slightly more than one-BILLION people.

Since the 1970's, China has been pushed a policy of ''one couple, one child.'' Couples that have only one baby are given benefits while families with more than one child are penalized.

The policy has generally worked better in the cities than in the country, where 80 percent of Chinese live.

In Detroit, police and volunteers are mobilized to prevent another repeat of the annual Devil's Night arson spree that has given the Motor City a black eye.

About 35-thousand citizens and nearly 35-hundred block clubs will be out tonight in hopes of stifling the annual Halloween Eve rampage by firebugs torching abandoned homes, cars and trash piles.

Last year, there were 223 fires over a three-day period. But that's way down from in 1984 when arsonists started 810 blazes.

This year, Mayor Coleman Young has ordered a 6 p-m to 6 a-m curfew for unescorted youths under 18. So far, more than 141 people have been arrested for curfew violations and police in recent weeks have towed away abandoned cars that might attract arsonists.

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#90303u1733 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	65 1-8	up	1 1-4
AT&T Company	33 7-8	up	1-2
BCE Inc	32 1-2	up	1-4
Bell Atlantic	50 3-4	up	3-4
BellSouth Corp	52 1-4	up	3-4
Exxon Corp	48 7-8	up	1 1-4
Ford Motor Co	27 3-4	off	1 7-8
Genl Electric	52 3-4	up	1 7-8
General Motors	36 3-4	off	1-4
GTE Corp	27 1-2	up	1-8
IBM Corp	106 1-2	up	1-2
Mobil Oil Corp	x57	up	1-4
Nynex Corp	67 7-8	off	1-8
Pac Gas & Elec	23 5-8	up	1-4
Pacific Telesis	44	up	3-8
Phila Electric	16 1-4	up	1-4
Sears Roebuck	23 7-8	up	3-8
Southern Co	x25 7-8	up	3-8
Sthwestern Bell	53 1-4	up	7-8
US West Inc	36 1-2	up	1-2

x-ex-dividend

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#90303u1751 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Tuesday $19.6 billion in 13- and 26-week T-bills will be offered at its weekly auction next Monday to raise $1.925 billion in new cash for the federal government.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Tuesday	2448.02	up	17.82	825.07	off	2.04	210.95	up	2.57
Monday	2430.20	off	5.94	827.11	off	9.98	208.38	off	0.31
Week ago	2494.06	off	22.03	875.00	off	8.69	209.95	off	0.94
Month ago	2505.20	off	10.64	894.79	up	21.64	202.78	off	0.57
Year ago	2645.08	up	41.60	1205.01	up	13.15	219.19	up	2.45
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90303u1763 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (OCT. 30) UPI - The shuttle Columbia passed a critical fueling test Tuesday without springing any leaks, putting the orbiter back in service and clearing the way for a December launch try, the ship's fifth since May.

''We are elated by today's successful test,'' said Columbia skipper Vance Brand. ''We look forward to flying a tight bird, hopefully in early December."

Earlier in the day, NASA managers formally cleared the repaired shuttle Atlantis for blastoff Nov. 9 on a military mission and with no more leaks reported aboard Columbia, the agency's three-shuttle fleet appeared to be back on flight status for the first time spring.

Given a disappointing summer of setbacks and repeated delays, fixing Columbia was a top priority for NASA, which has endured months of criticism over the $1.5 billion Hubble Space Telescope and a variety of other problems.

''We ended up with a tight ship and as far as we're concerned right now the Columbia's ready to go fly as soon as we put it through its final launch preps '' said shuttle program manager Robert Crippen.

Added launch director Robert Sieck: ''There was a sense of victory that this (test) was behind us.''

With 10 television cameras and 17 special sensors mounted in Columbia's cramped engine room to spot out any leaks that might develop, technicians began pumping supercold liquid hydrogen through the shuttle's aft compartment and into its external tank shortly before 12:30 p.m. EST.

A few minutes later, high-speed fueling operations commenced. It was at that point the night before a planned May 30 liftoff that explosive hydrogen gas began building up near a massive 17-inch-wide fitting where fuel lines from the external tank enter the belly of the orbiter.

That leak later was fixed but two launch attempts in September ended in failure because of separate leaks inside Columbia's engine compartment. Engineers now believe the engine room leakage was present in May but that it was masked by a leak involving the ship's 17-inch- wide "disconnect" fitting.

In any case, no problems were detected Tuesday, much to the relief of NASA engineers and technicians who had replaced two suspect fuel valve seals and tightened virtually every fitting in the engine compartment that could have contributed to the leakage.

''Our leakage external to the orbiter was essentially zero,'' Sieck said. ''And inside the aft fuselage the total calculated leakage was between 100 and 150 parts per million, well within specifications (of 600 parts per million).

''Now we can start thinking about a launch date for Columbia,'' he said.

An official launch date will not be set until later, but an internal NASA guideline requires three weeks between missions. If Atlantis gets off on time, Columbia could be ready for takeoff on a 10-day astronomy mission by the end of the month or the first few days in December, six months behind schedule.

William Lenoir, chief of NASA's manned space program, wrapped up a two-day flight readiness review Tuesday by formally clearing Atlantis for launch Nov. 9 to ferry a secret military satellite into orbit.

Details about the 37th shuttle flight are secret, but sources requesting anonymity said Atlantis and its five-man crew are scheduled for takeoff around 6:47 p.m. Nov. 9 and that landing at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., is planned for around 3:42 p.m. PST on Nov. 13.

The goal of the flight also is classified, but Atlantis's crew reportedly will deploy a reconnaissance satellite that may be used to monitor conditions in the Persian Gulf.

Like Columbia, Atlantis was grounded in June by a hydrogen leak involving damaged seals inside the ship's 17-inch disconnect fitting. The suspect hardware was replaced and Atlantis successfully passed a fueling test last week to set the stage for launch.

Columbia's problems were more difficult to resolve.

After the ship's second September launch delay, its fourth in as many months, NASA managers formally grounded Columbia and set up a special team of engineers to pinpoint the source of the leak once and for all.

Two partially crushed fuel line valve seals were found and replaced and dozens of fittings and fuel line connectors were tightened before Tuesday's test.

In the most elaborate leak hunt to date, NASA installed a battery of sensors inside Columbia's engine compartment and surrounded every major fuel line joint with plastic bags to help technicians isolate the source of any leak that might develop.

In addition, special see-through plastic panels replaced the doors leading into the aft section of the shuttle so cameras could peer inside. Engineers could not monitor the test in person because the engine compartment is flooded with inert nitrogen gas during fueling to minimize the chance for a fire.

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#90303u1766 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

SEATTLE (OCT. 30) UPI - Ken Griffey Sr., refueled after playing alongside his son for a month this past season, will return to the Seattle Mariners for the 1991 season.

Griffey, 40, said before leaving Tuesday for Japan as a member of an all-star team, he wasn't ready to retire and was looking forward to playing a full season with the Mariners.

Senior batted .377 with 3 home runs and 18 RBI in 21 games in September. He played sparingly (46 at-bats) before being released by the Cincinnati Reds in July.

''The last three months was an emotional roller-coaster, but playing with Junior and how well received I was in Seattle, it was fun again,'' said Griffey.''I thought about retiring, but I'm really not ready to retire.''

Griffey said Mariners president Woody Woodward and and his agent haven't worked out a contract, but he didn't anticipate any problems in that area.

Griffey, who was a member of the Big Red Machine in the 1970s, was voted a full World Series share - about $120,000 - by the Reds team that won the Series earlier this month.

The Griffeys and pitcher Randy Johnson are members of an all-star team that will play eight games in Japan in November.

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#90303u1770 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (OCT. 30) UPI - The Toronto Sun Publishing Corp. said Tuesday it has reached an agreement in principle to restructure The Houston Post's bank debt.

The Sun sold The Post to Consolidated Newspapers Inc. for $150 million in 1987. As part of the sale, The Sun received $100 million in cash, a $50 million subordinated note and the right to future additional payments

contingent on The Post's level of revenues.

The Sun and Consolidated Newspapers have been negotiating for over a year to restructure the terms of sale. Under a new deal, The Sun will lend about $6 million to The Houston Post Co. on a senior secured basis. The loan will bear interest and require quarterly interest payments.

The Sun also will exchange its subordinated note and contingent future rights for $45 million of convertible preferred shares of and warrants to purchase a substantial minority interest in The Houston Post Co. The Sun said it will not hold a common equity position when restructuring is completed.

Doug Creighton, chairman of The Sun, said he was pleased withs the new deal and that it should help strengthen The Post's longer term financial position. He added The Post will benefit from a reduced debt burden.

As a result of the deal, Creighton said The Sun will post an unusual write down of $20.57 million in the third quarter. The write down will account for the difference between the estimated value of the new preferred shares and warrants compared with the value of the subordinated note and contingent rights as carried in The Sun's books.

The new preferred shares and warrants will have a carrying value of $25 million after the write down. The new deal was expected to close in the fourth quarter. The Sun operates a number of daily newspapers in Canada and publishes a string of weekly shopping guides in Canada and Florida.

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#90303u1777 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks - 10,620,000 shares

1990 to date - 2,869,950,390

Bonds - $3,270,000

1990 to date - $611,039,000

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#90303u1786 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Tuesday - $43,710,000

1990 to date - $9,231,678,000

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#90303u1787 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker will travel to seven countries in the Middle East and Europe next week to meet with key

leaders in the international alliance against Iraq's Saddam Hussein, the State Department said Tuesday.

Baker's week-long trip occurs as Saddam tries to split the coalition allied against him in the United Nations, where the Security Council has passed 10 resolutions condemning Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and has backed economic sanctions against Baghdad.

Administration and Saudi officials have said that while in the Middle East, Baker will discuss the ground rules for the use of military force against Iraq in situations other than as a response to an Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia.

A State Department spokeswoman said Baker will leave Saturday for talks with the exiled Emir of Kuwait in Tayif and King Fahd of Saudi Arabia in Jeddah. Baker also plans to meet with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in Cairo and Turkish officials in Ankara.

Turkey and Egypt are supporting the U.S.-led embargo against Iraq, but both are suffering economically as a result of the sanctions.

Turkey estimates that the embargo is costing it up to $4 billion annually in lost trade with Iraq and oil pipeline fees. Egypt, which had 800,000 of its citizens living in Kuwait and Iraq, has lost the money those citizens used to send to their families in Egypt.

Baker will also hold talks in Paris and Britain and is scheduled to meet with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze at the end of his trip for one or two days. The site in Europe for the U.S-Soviet meeting has not been announced.

Some U.S. officials are concerned that a Soviet-led drive to reach a diplomatic solution with Iraq may be sending mixed signals to Baghdad.

To measure diplomatic advances and clarify U.S. goals, President Bush, Defense Secretary Richard Cheney and Baker have stepped-up the anti-Saddam rhetoric this week. All said that Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait and that a military option is still possible if economic sanctions fail.

The United States has insisted that a diplomatic solution cannot reward Saddam for his military aggression and that there can be no serious talks with the Iraqi president until his troops vacate Kuwait.

The United States now has more than 200,000 troops in Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield, and administration officials are working on plans to deploy as many as 100,000 more troops to the region.

Absent from Baker's itinerary are two countries normally at the center of Middle East diplomacy: Israel and Jordan.

Baker said Monday Israel was left out because he didn't want to give anybody a pretext for saying that the anti-Iraq coalition is an American-Israeli conspiracy against Arabs.

U.S. officials have shown sympathy for Jordan's economic hardship during the crisis, including the care and feeding of hundreds of thousands of refugees who fled Iraq. But U.S. officials also have been annoyed at the Jordanian attempt to represent Iraq's views in talks with other Arab nations.

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#90303u1802 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 30) UPI - The Soviet Union agreed to sell Czechoslovakia as much as 13 million tons of oil next year after six hours of talks Tuesday between their prime ministers.

Marian Calfa, head of the Czechoslovak government, arrived in the Soviet capital during the morning on a mission to try to ensure that Moscow would not cut oil supplies to his nation.

Calfa said his marathon bargaining session with Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov was ''difficult'' but had produced mutually acceptable solutions.

Ryzhkov said the talks had laid a ''good foundation'' for future economic relations between the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia, which ended communist rule late last year after a popular democratic uprising.

Czechoslovakia in the past bought all of its foreign oil, about 16 million tons a year, from the Soviet Union for cheap rubles, but Moscow has announced that after Jan. 1, Eastern European countries will have to pay for their petroleum with hard currency.

''The Soviet side is prepared to supply Czechoslovakia with up to 13 million tons of oil'' next year, Calfa told reporters before leaving Moscow.

Calfa said Czechoslovakia will pay for the crude with a combination of consumer goods for the beleaguered Soviet people and petroleum- extraction equipment for the Soviet oil industry, which has blamed its declining production on decrepit machinery.

The two government heads also discussed the ongoing pullout of Soviet troops from Czechoslovakia and ''pointed to the need to accelerate efforts to resolve property and legal issues connected with the withdrawal,'' the official Soviet news agency Tass said.

Czechoslovakia previously paid for Soviet oil in rubles, which was the currency of trade within the Soviet-led Comecon bloc that is now in the process of dissolution following revolts against communist rule throughout

Eastern Europe.

''We understand the concern of the Czechoslovakian leadership about oil supplies from the Soviet Union,'' said Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennadi Gerasimov. ''We will not stop looking for a solution to the question.''

Czechkoslovakia reportedly has been negotiating with other countries, including Saudi Arabia and Iran, for new sources of oil.

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#90303u1803 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 288.97, low 287.07, close 288.07, off 0.72.

There was a loss of 3 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,620,000 shares, compared with 7, 560,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	4
New Lows	71
Advances	203
Declines	321
Unchanged	246
Total Issues	770

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 16 to 62 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	75.30	75.80	74.65	74.92	75.54
Mar	75.00	75.65	74.60	74.97	75.13
May	75.10	75.55	74.85	75.04	75.29
Jly	75.20	75.55	74.85	75.04	75.29
Oct	68.40	68.50	68.40	68.10	68.45
Dec	66.50	66.80	66.30	66.30	66.65
Mar	67.75	67.75	67.75	67.25	67.75

Estimated sales: 9,000 contracts
Open interest: 45,653 up 582
The World spot average: 71.69

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#90303u1811 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (OCT. 30) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Tuesday - 9,557,000
1990 to date - 2,090,215,000

The market closed mixed.

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#90303u1822 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 153,450,000 shares
1990 to date - 33,250,976,782
Warrants - 649,200
1990 to date - 210,965,900

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#90303u1825 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	288.07	off 0.72
High Technology	289.16	off 0.68
Capital Goods	307.89	off 0.43
Consumer Goods	358.38	up 0.41
Service	616.10	off 3.40
Retail	869.77	up 3.16
Financial	339.49	off 1.64
Natural Resources	222.31	off 0.41
Housing-Const-Land	236.92	off 2.72

There was a loss of 3 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	370.37	up 0.20
Mid Atlantic	376.80	up 0.43
No Central	362.59	off 4.38
So Atlantic	783.58	off 1.29
So Central	291.84	off 0.24
Mountain	105.97	off 2.70
Pacific	319.27	off 2.44
Foreign	219.84	off 0.22

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#90303u1828 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 30) UPI - Chrysler and the United Auto Workers Union have reached tentative agreement on a three-year contract covering about 67-thousand U-S hourly and salaried workers. The pact was reached after a marathon 28-hour bargaining session in Highland Park, Michigan. The union's 100-member Chrysler

Council must approve the contract before it can go to the rank- and-file for a ratification vote.

More tragedy in the Persian Gulf. Eight sailors were killed and three injured today when a boiler room steam pipe burst aboard the helicopter carrier U-S-S Iwo Jima as it sailed from Bahrain. One Marine was killed when a vehicle overturned during a night exercise in Saudi Arabia.

The State Department announced today that Secretary of State Baker will travel to several Mideast and Europeans countries next week to discuss the international alliance against Iraq. Baker will leave Washington on Saturday. First stop is Saudi Arabia, where he will meet with the exiled Emir of Kuwait.

NASA says the shuttle Columbia passed a crucial fueling test today. That could clear the way for a long-delayed astronomy flight in December, more than six months behind schedule. A spokeswoman says NO significant leakage of hydrogen fuel was detected inside Columbia's engine compartment.

With Columbia back on line, NASA's entire shuttle fleet may be operational again. Also today, the shuttle Atlantis was cleared for launch on November 9th on a secret military mission.

Supreme Court Justice David Souter asked a series of questions during oral arguments today for the only major abortion case before the high court this term. His line of questioning indicated that he is skeptical of a move to bar health-care workers from discussing abortion.

Israeli authorities say a bomb apparently exploded prematurely today, killing one Arab and wounding two others... apparently as they tried to plant the explosives in a Tel Aviv area store.

Thousands of people in Moscow held candles and prayed at a ceremony unveiling a stark grey boulder that is a monument to Millions of Soviet citizens once imprisoned in Soviet labor camps. The monument was placed outside the Soviet K-G-B headquarters.

A Disneyland spokesman says the grand-daddy of modern amusement parks will boost its admission price by two dollars for adults and children, effective November 1st. It will cost adults 2750 to get in the magic kingdom. Children under three are admitted free.

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#90303u1832 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

SAN ANTONIO, TX (OCT. 30) UPI - Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher, happy at the unexpected jump in the third-quarter GNP, Tuesday said he hoped the news would send the economic pessimists "back into their holes for a while."

"The signal is we're in a slow to moderate growth period. We're neither in a recession nor have any reason to think we're about to enter into a recession," Mosbacher said. "I hope all the doomsayers and nay-sayers and cluck-cluckers have now gone back into their holes for a while," he said.

The Commerce Department reported earlier Tuesday that the nation's total output of goods and services rose 1.8 percent in the third quarter, exceeding the expectations of private sector economists who had predicted an increase of only 0.8 percent during July, August and September.

Much of the increase was credited to strong consumer buying, with the figures reflecting little economic fallout from the Persian Gulf crisis and resulting jump in oil prices.

"We're just beginning to see a rise in the cost of living" related to the Persian Gulf crisis, Mosbacher conceded, but predicted an expected jump in inflation would not prove too damaging.

"In the fourth quarter, I think we'll still see some growth," Mosbacher said. Mosbacher said he did not see any signs of a recession in the near future.

"We don't see any reason, frankly, in a realistic way for it to happen next year," he said, although he stressed the need to bring interest rates down and build up exports. Tuesday's numbers were an initial estimate, subject to revision before a final estimate is released in December.

Mosbacher, who was appointed Commerce Secretary after serving as national finance chairman for President Bush's campaign, said the "loudest screams" always are heard from those sectors of the economy suffering the most. "In truth, there are a lot of segments of the economy doing extremely well," he said.

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#90303u1837 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	63,404,016	35 5/8	off 2
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	41,194,672	63 7/8	up 1 3/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	32,918,600	33 1/4	up 7/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	32,892,554	30 5/8	up 3/4
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	31,034,378	30 3/8	up 1/2
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	23,653,198	16 3/8	up 3/4
US Healthcare	(USHC)	22,256,112	20 7/8	up 1 3/4
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	21,734,996	46 3/4	up 2 1/8
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	21,137,318	23 3/4	up 2

Autodesk Inc (ACAD) 21,109,930 37 3/4 up 1 3/8

Composite Index 144.62 off 0.40

NMS volume 87,361,200 shares.

Advances	585
Declines	858
Unchanged	1,344
Total	2,787

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#90303u1850 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - The dollar bounced Tuesday in New York dealings on news of a third-quarter U.S. economic expansion of 1.8 percent, stronger than expected, but it fell back as skeptical, pessimistic sentiment prevailed.

Currency traders said technical factors in dealings also pressured the dollar into giving up its gains on the Commerce Department report. They said players sold the U.S. currency when it failed to rise through key levels.

"People are still not convinced the economy has turned around," said Stephen Burnett, a trader with Bank fur Gemeinwirtschaft in New York, citing a degree of incredulity at the relatively strong third-quarter data. "Obviously, people do not believe in this economy," Burnett said.

In late New York dealings, the dollar was quoted at 1.5145 German marks, down from 1.5225 marks Monday, and 128.80 Japanese yen, up from 128.50.

He said participants abandoned short, or selling positions in the dollar when they first heard the number. They anticipated it would trigger a rally in the U.S. unit, troubled by a recessionary economic outlook.

Burnett said the dollar rose about 0.80 pfennigs against the German mark, but fell back after reaching a level just below 1.53 marks. It had an even wilder ride against the Japanese yen, rising above 130 before failing.

He said currency players were waiting for more economic data later this week - in particular the purchasing managers' index Thursday and unemployment data Friday - before taking more decisive stances on the dollar.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2820 Swiss francs, off from 1.2930; 5.0685 French francs, down from 5.0925; and 1,134.25 Italian lire, off from 1,139.50. The pound advanced to $1.9570 compared with $1.9500.

In European action, the dollar rose sharply on the stronger-than-expected GNP figures and sharpening Persian Gulf tensions.

The GNP figures "meant dealers expecting further interest rate cuts from the Federal Reserve had to revise their estimates," said analyst Lisa Hoskins with Warburg Securities. "The dollar is stronger on that basis."

Other analysts said the U.S. currency also firmed on comments from Iraqi and U.S. officials regarding their war preparations.

The dollar rose in Frankfurt to 1.5250 German marks vs. 1.5150 Monday, and in Zurich also moved up, to 1.2960 Swiss francs vs. 1.2820. In London, the pound fell to $1.9505 compared with $1.9525.

The dollar concluded the session stronger in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at 5.0935 French francs vs. 5.0510, 31.30 Belgian francs vs. 31.18, and 1,139.50 Italian lire vs. 1,130.70.

The dollar soared against the yen in Tokyo after the Federal Reserve decided to cut its short term interest rate, a long-expected move. The dollar closed at 129 yen, jumping 1.65 yen from Monday's close of 127.35.

The Fed action boosted the dollar because most participants had discounted it and expect it to be the last monetary policy shift for a while. Gulf tensions also also sparked safe-haven dollar sales, dealers said.

In Zurich gold closed higher at $373.50 an ounce vs. $373, and also was up in London at $375 an ounce vs. $372.75 Monday.

Silver closed higher in Zurich at $4.15 an ounce vs. $4.10. It also moved up in London, to $4.17 an ounce vs. $4.10.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $379.75 an ounce, up from $374.25 Monday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $379.70 an ounce, a solid gain from $373.70.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.23 an ounce, up from $4.145. Comex silver closed at $4.245 an ounce, a rise from $4.127.

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#90303u1851 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, Egypt (OCT. 30) UPI - Egypt's interior minister said Tuesday authorities in the past two months had smashed 13 terrorist groups that had been attempting to destabilize the county.

Mohammed Abdul Halim Moussa said the terrorist groups came to Egypt from Jordan, Iraq, Tunisia and Algeria.

''These groups have bases in Egypt of Palestinians, Jordanians of Palestinian origin or Palestinians living in Egypt and holding Egyptian passports,''

Moussa told the upper house of Parliament.

Moussa said that, because of the groups, police originally believed foreigners were responsible for the assassination of Egyptian Speaker of Parliament Rifaat El Mahgoub, who was gunned down in the center of Cairo two weeks ago. But during the weekend police arrested a dozen Egyptian Moslem fundamentalists authorities said were responsible for the crime.

An Interior Ministry source said Tuesday the fundamentalists were also suspected of being behind an assassination attempt against former Interior Minister Zaki Badr and the semi-official Al Ahram newspaper said Moussa, not Mahgoub, may have been the original target.

The source said four of the extremists were still being sought by police.

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#90303u1852 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Chase Manhattan	2,977,700	10 1/4	off 1/2
Ford Motor Co	2,770,700	27 5/8	off 2
Boeing Co	2,643,400	44 1/2	off 1 5/8
Philip Morris	2,339,900	46 3/4	up 7/8
Genl Electric	2,261,500	52 3/4	up 1 7/8
South Co	1,903,200	26	up 1/2
Citicorp	1,892,100	11 1/4	up 1/8
Security Pac	1,722,200	18 1/4	up 1/2
IBM Corp	1,639,000	106 3/8	up 3/8
Toys R Us	1,607,300	21 1/8	off 1/2
Amer Express	1,478,300	18 1/2	up 5/8
Unisys Corp	1,451,300	2 1/2	up 1/8
PepsiCo Inc	1,368,600	23 7/8	up 7/8
Portland Genl	1,292,300	16 3/8	off 1/4
AT&T Co	1,234,500	33 7/8	up 1/2

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#90303u1853 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (OCT. 30) UPI - The Soviet Union agreed to sell Czechoslovakia as much as 13 million tons of oil next year, a deal concluded after six hours of talks Tuesday between their prime ministers.

Marian Calfa, head of the Czechoslovak government, arrived in Moscow on a mission to try to ensure the Soviet leadership would not cut oil supplies to his nation. Calfa said his marathon bargaining session with Soviet Premier

Nikolai Ryzhkov was "difficult" but had produced mutually acceptable solutions.

Ryzhkov said the talks had laid a "good foundation" for future economic relations between the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia, which ended communist rule late last year after a popular democratic uprising.

Czechoslovakia in the past bought all of its foreign oil, about 16 million tons a year, from the Soviet Union for cheap rubles. But Moscow has announced that after Jan. 1, Eastern European countries will have to pay for their petroleum with hard currency.

"The Soviet side is prepared to supply Czechoslovakia with up to 13 million tons of oil" next year, Calfa told reporters before leaving Moscow. Calfa said Czechoslovakia will pay for the crude with a combination of consumer goods for the beleaguered Soviet people and petroleum-extraction equipment. The Soviet oil industry's declining production has been blamed on decrepit machinery.

"We understand the concern of the Czechoslovakian leadership about oil supplies from the Soviet Union," said Gennadi Gerasimov, Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman. "We will not stop looking for a solution to the question." Czechkoslovakia reportedly has been negotiating with other countries, including Saudi Arabia and Iran, for new sources of oil.

The two ministers also discussed the ongoing pullout of Soviet troops from Czechoslovakia and "pointed to the need to accelerate efforts to resolve property and legal issues connected with the withdrawal," the official Soviet news agency Tass said.

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#90303u1855 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Contl Air Hldgs	1,600,600	3 1/2	off 3/8
Dow Chemical rt	370,500	7 1/2	off 1/4
Fruit of Loom	278,200	6 5/8	off 1/4
Ackerley Comm	204,000	2 5/8	off 1/4
Salomon wt93Jan	198,100	16 5/8	off 1/8
Pegasus Gold	195,800	10 5/8	off 1/4
Denmark King wt	189,600	17 1/4	off 1/4
Energy Service	183,700	2 3/4	unch
Nichols Instit	174,500	13 1/4	off 1/2
Eksportfinan wt	169,100	8 1/2	unch

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#90303u1864 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 30) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	215.80	217.00	213.10	216.20	216.45
Mar	....	....	....	218.45	218.70
Jun	....	....	....	220.75	221.00

Previous day volume: 95 contracts.
Open interest: 1,290 off 4

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	303.50	306.60	300.20	306.20	304.00
Mar	305.90	308.75	302.85	308.70	306.50
Jun	....	311.50	305.80	311.55	309.30
Sep	....	314.75	308.60	313.60	312.20

Today's estimated volume: 57,886 contracts.
Open interest: 153,202 up 1,776

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	165.60	167.20	163.90	166.80	165.75
Mar	167.00	167.90	165.30	168.10	167.10
Jun	....	....	....	169.35	168.45

Open interest: 5,666 up 94

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	508.75	514.75	504.50	514.05	508.85
Dec	510.25	516.75	506.60	516.10	511.00
Jan	510.50	518.75	510.30	518.10	513.00

Estimated volume 4,130 contracts.
Open interest: 7,105 up 316

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#90303u1866 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
CAIRO, Egypt (OCT. 30) UPI - A United Arab Emirates newspaper reported Tuesday that a number of Iraqi diplomats accredited in Arab and other foreign states had asked and been granted political asylum.

''A number of Iraqi diplomats have received an agreement of European states to grant them the right of political asylum because of their rejection of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait,'' The Abu Dhabi-based Al Ittihad newspaper said, quoting Western diplomatic sources in London.

The newspaper said the names of the Iraqis were being kept secret for security reasons.

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#90303u1876 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	355.45	209.82	137.54	18.80	301.88
Opening	356.01	208.75	138.11	18.82	302.43
11 a.m.	353.90	208.04	138.78	18.67	300.74
Noon	352.35	207.22	137.60	18.58	299.54
1 p.m.	354.59	208.63	138.20	18.66	301.33
2 p.m.	353.43	207.80	138.06	18.59	300.42
3 p.m.	357.00	209.51	139.29	18.87	303.50
Close	357.63	209.84	139.40	18.97	304.06
Change	up 2.18	up 0.02	up 1.86	up 0.17	up 2.18

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#90303u1880 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 30) UPI - Philadelphia Electric Co. said Tuesday a $27.4 million insurance settlement it will receive was not expected to affect the company's fourth-quarter earnings.

Insurance carriers for two former Philadelphia Electric officers agreed to pay $34 million to settle a shareholders' lawsuit filed in 1987. About $6.6 million of the settlement will go to lawyers for the shareholders and the rest will go to the company itself.

The lawsuit accused the company's former chairman and president of mismanagement by ignoring warnings that operating problems would force federal regulators to close the Peach Bottom Nuclear Power Plant. The plant was closed in March 1987 and did not reopen until two years later.

Philadelphia Electric spokesman Neil McDermott said the company was "reviewing the accounting associated" with the settlement to determine what impact, if any, it will have on the company's financial status. "At this point in time we don't expect there to be any impact on fourth quarter earnings," he said.

McDermott said one factor that may influence the impact of the settlement is a pending lawsuit filed against Philadelphia Electric by three utility companies which, along with PE, co-own Peach Bottom.

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#90303u1881 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) UPI - Although Mayor Marion Barry has been sentenced to six months in prison for misdemeanor cocaine possession, a legal expert said Tuesday it could be several years before he begins serving his term, if at all.

At sentencing Friday, U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson allowed the three-term mayor to remain free on personal recognizance until his appeals are exhausted. Defense lawyer R. Kenneth Mundy has said the process could take as long as 1 1/2 years.

Besides the six-month term behind bars, Barry was drew a year's probation, random drug tests and a $5,000 fine. If he goes to jail, Barry will be required to pay his incarceration costs, which officials estimate at about $5,000.

''The entire appeal process is very long because he has a right to appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals ..., then he can ask for a rehearing for the entire court and then he can appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court,'' said Paul Rothstein, a criminal law expert and professor at Georgetown University School of Law.

''The chances of winning an appeal are extremely slim in any criminal case - roughly 80 percent fail,'' Rothstein said. ''The likelihood is that he will serve in jail the full six months.''

Rothstein and Paul Martin of the U.S. Sentencing Commission said it was likely that Barry will serve his time in a minimum-security facility such as Allenwood in Pennsylvania.

''It might be a little nicer but it is still a prison, and prisons aren't nice '' Rothstein said. ''They call it a country club, but it's a prison.''

While some local politicians said they believe Barry's sentence was harsh, Rothstein said it was ''reasonable'' for the drug possession charge on which he was convicted.

''The sentence is right down the middle because he could've been given zero time or a year,'' Rothstein said. ''It is in the reasonable range. It's viewed as a kind of a compromise.

''This is a drug war that we're in,'' he said. ''He is in a commanding and highly visible position and what he does influences many many people and what punishment is given him also influences many many people because the spotlight is on Mayor Barry. He is the mayor of the nation's capital and there is a war on drugs.''

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#90303u1884 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	329.83	off	0.97	341.09	455.63
Industrial	352.63	off	0.65	365.87	443.04
Finance	323.14	off	2.51	336.67	531.05
Insurance	381.66	off	1.20	386.39	532.05
Utility	453.24	off	0.60	460.05	730.37
Bank	237.18	off	0.98	245.76	432.78
Transport	355.27	off	1.12	386.54	475.35

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 144.62 off 0.40

Industrial Index 139.57 off 0.20

NASDAQ-100 Index 345.99 up 2.48

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#90303u1888 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Tuesday 345.99 up 2.48.

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#90303u1903 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - A strong cold front hurled rain, wind and snow at the Pacific Northwest Tuesday, while clear skies and generally seasonable temperatures spread across the rest of the nation.

Rain soaked northern California, Oregon, Washington and Idaho, turning to snow at higher elevations, the National Weather Service said. An advisory for snow was posted for the Cascade Mountains of Washington.

The rain and snow rode in on a cold front that also brought gusty winds to the region.

Heavier rainfall totals during a six-hour period Tuesday morning included 2.36 inches at Crescent City, Calif; 0.74 inches at Eugene, Ore., and 0.41 inches at North Bend Ore.

Dry weather prevailed across the rest of the nation with sunny skies from southern and central California across the southern Plains to the southern and

Middle Atlantic Coast.

Tempearatures were in the 40s and 50s across the northern half of the nation. The mercury climbed into 70s and 80s in the southern Plains, desert Southwest, Middle Mississippi Valley and along the Gulf Coast.

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#90303u1906 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	30.20-30.30	29.95-30.00
North Sea Brent	35.10-35.15	34.75-34.85
West Texas Intermed	34.50-34.55	34.65-34.70
Light Louisiana Sweet	35.30-35.40	35.45-35.55
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	95.75-96.25	95.70-96.20
No. 2 Heating oil	90.20-90.45	90.10-90.35
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	88.25-88.75	86.85-87.15
No. 2 Heating oil	88.10-88.25	89.10-89.35

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#90303u1915 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (OCT. 30) UPI - Gov. Michael Dukakis and Amtrak officials Tuesday dedicated a new New York-to-Boston high-speed rail service that transports passengers between the Big Apple and the Hub in less than four hours.

The New England Express, which began running Sunday, cuts the travel time between New York and Boston from about five hours to three hours and 50 minutes, and Amtrak hopes to soon shave off more time and make the trip three hours and 20 minutes.

At a ceremony at Boston's South Station, Dukakis praised the faster rail-service as a means to cut back airport congestion. "The most single, easiest, quickest, and best way to decongest Logan is to move ahead as aggressively as we can with three-hour service or less from Boston to New York. This is a major step in that direction," the governor said.

The New England Express reduces travel time by eliminating stops. The train leaves South Station and makes stops only at Boston's Back Bay station, Route

128 outside the city, Providence, R.I., and New Haven, Conn., before pulling into New York's Penn Station.

Amtrak plans to make the trip even shorter by eliminating the need to change engines at New Haven. The diesel engine must be switched to an electric one en route to New York, and vice versa on the return trip. A congressional proposal would allocate $125 million for electrification of the tracks between New Haven and Boston.

An Amtrak official said there have already been numerous calls about the New England Express, which does not cost any more than the regular train service, although passengers must reserve their seats ahead of time.

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#90303u1933 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	9	11	16
New lows	217	176	113

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	667	73,889,400
Declines	818	63,983,800
Unchanged	470	15,576,800
Total	1,955	153,450,000

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#90303u1934 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 30) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.44 1/4-2.54 1/4 off 2 to up 3.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.82 1/2- 5.92 1/2 off 2 to unchanged.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.19-2.32 up 2 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.32-2.34 1/2 up 2 1/2 to 3.

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#90303u1939 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - President Bush signaled NO change in U-S Persian Gulf strategy today at a meeting with congressional leaders at the White House. The session reportedly produced general agreement to stay the course in the Gulf,

relying on economic sanctions and the international military build-up to weaken Saddam Hussein's resolve to stay in Kuwait. Republican Senator William Cohen of Maine says he doesN'T ''have any impression we're moving closer to war.''

United Auto Workers President Owen Bieber says a tentative new contract reached today with Chrysler Corporation follows the pattern of the settlements reached at G-M and Ford. The three-year agreement covers about 67-thousand U-S workers... and now goes to the 100-member Chrysler Council. The pact was reached after Bieber held a private meeting with Chrysler Chairman Lee Iacocca in Highland, Michigan, that apparently moved the final bargaining session forward.

The leaders of the unions on strike against the New York Daily News met with Cardinal John O'Connor on the fifth day of their bitter labor dispute, as the paper's publisher called on strikers to refrain from violence. Union leaders said they hoped the meeting with O'Connor would encourage the paper to begin talks to end the strike. The paper has begun hiring replacements for the striking workers.

NASA today cleared the shuttle Atlantis for a November 9th blast-off on a secret military mission, and engineers conducted a critical fueling test of the grounded shuttle Columbia. The spaceplane appeared to pass the fueling test without springing any hydrogen leaks like those that forced the grounding of Columbia in May. Columbia is being pointed toward a December launch on a long-delayed astronomy mission.

President Bush sought to rally Republicans as Election Day nears by beating up on what he terms the ''irresponsible Democratic Congress.'' Bush told a Republican-sponsored rally of a few hundred people that Democrats are responsible for tax hikes in the new budget and the voters should send them a message by sending more Republicans to Capitol Hill. Bush says more Republicans in Congress means there will be more legislators fighting higher taxes and big spenders.

Concern about an AIDS drug. Researchers at the American College of Gastro-enterology meeting in San Francisco today urged doctors treating patients with the experimental drug D-D-I to re-evaluate its benefits. The drug's risks include potentially fatal inflammation of the pancreas, the vital gland that produces insulin and digestive enzymes. Researchers in Philadelphia say two-thirds of the AIDS patients in their study developed the pancreas inflammation.

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#90303u1943 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 4
New lows 71

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	203	2,461,400
Declines	321	5,984,100
Unchanged	246	2,174,500
Total	770	10,620,000

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	109,007,400
Advances	722
Declines	1,072
Unchanged	2,431
Total	4,225

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(OCT. 30) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.77	7.87	8.89
91-day Treasury bills	7.36	7.39	7.78
182-day Treasury bills	7.49	7.48	7.58
1-year Treasury bills	7.51	7.47	7.34
3-year Treasury notes	7.98	7.97	7.92
7-year Treasury notes	8.54	8.54	7.92
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.82	8.84	7.90
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.30	9.35	8.02
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.95	9.92	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.23	9.24	8.92
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.44	9.46	8.93
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.53	9.55	9.14
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.51	9.51	9.14

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90303u1955 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	166.08	164.00	166.08	up 0.84
Industrial	206.09	203.37	206.09	up 0.98
Transport	127.68	126.15	127.68	off 0.01
Utility	88.05	87.17	88.05	up 0.79
Finance	103.49	102.23	103.49	up 0.23

Equivalent to a gain of 15 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 153,450,000 shares.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) UPI - A boiler room accident that spewed scalding steam killed 10 sailors from the USS Iwo Jima in the Persian Gulf Tuesday, bringing to 42 the number of American forces who have died accidentally in Operation Desert Shield, officials said.

The incident on the 602-foot, 18,000-ton amphibious assault ship took place at 12:15 a.m. EST, just after the vessel had undergone routine maintenance in Manama, Bahrain, and was on its way to take part in an exercise in the North Arabian Sea, officials added.

Six sailors were killed aboard the Iwo Jima. Four others who were critically injured in the accident died later aboard the hospital ship USNS Comfort. The Navy was withholding the names.

In addition to that accident, Pentagon officials said one Marine was killed and three others critically injured Tuesday in a vehicle accident during a night exercise in Saudi Arabia.

Also, they said another three sailors riding in a military vehicle were injured Monday when a Marine sentry accidentally fired a weapon. One sailor was struck by two .50-caliber bullets, one suffered a concussion and the third was wounded by glass fragments, the Pentagon said.

Pentagon officials said the latest casualties brought the accidental death toll of the nearly 3-month-old Operation Desert Shield to 42. One additional

death is believed to have been a suicide.

A Pentagon spokesman said officials did not believe the numbers of accidental deaths were unusual, given the scale of Operation Desert Shield.

''You have a large number of troops being intensely trained and exercised,'' said Pentagon spokesman Bob Hall. ''One accident is too many. Is it alarming? No. Is it acceptable? No.''

Navy spokesman Lt. Cmdr. Alan Dooley said the Iwo Jima, which has its home port in Norfolk, Va., and arrived in the Persian Gulf on Sept. 16, was towed back to Manama after the accident occurred and its engines were shut down as a precaution.

The ship, which carries 685 officers and enlisted personnel and can hold 1,100 Marines, is powered by two steam boilers.

''The steam is under very high pressure'' of about 600 pounds per square inch, Dooley said. He added the temperature of the steam was 800 to 850 F.

Pentagon officials said the Iwo Jima was to have taken part in an amphibious exercise in the North Arabian Sea from Tuesday to Nov. 8.

The ship is part of the U.S.-led international force deployed in the gulf after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Dooley said all the casualties were Navy personnel and no Marines were involved.

Editors: the information number for families of personnel aboard the USS Iwo Jima is: 1-800-255-3808.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Stocks closed mixed in moderate trading Tuesday after the blue chips, bolstered by a drop in oil prices, staged a recovery from the day's weakness.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which lost 5.94 Monday, rose 17.82 to close at 2448.02.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.84 to 166.08 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index gained 2.18 to 304.06. The price of an average share added 15 cents.

Declines led advances 819-669 among the 1,955 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume was 153,450,000 shares, compared with 133,980,000 traded Monday.

Stocks opened higher, buoyed by a better-than-expected report on third-quarter gross national product. The nation's total output of goods and services jumped an unexpected 1.8 percent in the third quarter on strong consumer purchases of cars, vans and trucks. Private economists, fearing that a recession had begun, expected an increase of only 0.8 percent.

"I think the higher opening was a little relief that GNP was better than expected," said Alfred Goldman, market strategist at A.G. Edwards & Sons Inc. in St. Louis. "If you believe one figure, which I do not, especially since it was distorted by inventory accumulation, it made some think the economy was not coming to an end. But then the market had second thoughts."

It also had a rise in oil prices and signs of heightened tensions in the Middle East to deal with. Secretary of State James Baker will travel to seven countries in the Middle East and Europe next week to meet with key leaders in the international alliance against Iraq, the State Department said Tuesday.

Administration and Saudi officials have said that while in the Middle East, Baker will discuss the ground rules for the use of military force against Iraq in situations other than as a response to an Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia.

But crude oil prices, after gaining more than $1 in earlier trading, slipped toward the end of the day and closed down 14 cents to $34.54 a barrel. Analysts said the market was weary of the multitude of reports about the Middle East and couldn't muster the strength to support the earlier buying momentum.

The drop in oil prices helped push the blue chips into the plus column where they closed. But Goldman also cited technical factors in the Dow's rise. "Oil prices helped, but the market had given up 90 Dow points in five of the last six sessions," he said. "We had an oversold condition and so we had a knee-jerk lift, helped by buy programs."

Goldman said the program buying boosted the blue chips but not the rest of the market, accounting for the mixed close. "And since the broad market stayed negative and volume was moderate, I don't think one can take a lot of encouragement from today's action," Goldman said.

On the trading floor, Chase Manhattan was the most active issue, off 1/2 to 10 1/4.

Ford Motor followed, down two to 27 5/8 after reporting a plunge in third-quarter earnings because of costly buyer incentives, new product costs and losses in both its domestic and overseas automotive operations. And the results were bolstered by an accounting change.

Boeing was third, tumbling 1 5/8 to 44 1/2. Analysts were said to question the

role of special factors in the company's unexpectedly strong earnings report late Monday.

Among the other blue chips, General Motors lost 1/2 to 36 5/8 after reports saying it will temporarily idle workers at at least 11 North American vehicle assembly plants in November. Philip Morris was up 7/8 to 46 3/4, AT&T rose 1/2 to 33 7/8, IBM added 3/8 to 106 3/8, Coca-Cola jumped 1 1/8 to 44 7/8 and General Electric surged 1 7/8 to 52 3/4.

Elsewhere, Neiman Marcus soared 3 3/8 to 14 5/8. General Cinema reportedly said it would buy the shares it does not already own for $14.40 a share.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 189,571,140 shares, compared with 168,617,180 shares traded Monday.

Prices fell in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index lost 0.72 to 288.07. Declines led advances 322-201 among the 772 issues traded. The price of an average share fell three cents. Composite volume was 12,368,450 shares vs. 8,878,750 traded Monday. Continental Airlines Holdings led the Amex issues, down 3/8 to 3 1/2. Wall Street observers could cite no reason for the stock's activity.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 0.97 to 329.83.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency Per U.S.$	
	Tue	Mon	Tue	Mon
Argntn austral	.000184	.000183	5448.00	5478.00
Australia dlr	.7842	.7830	1.2752	1.2771
Austria schill	.0931	.0938	10.74	10.66
Belgium franc-c	.0319	.0321	31.33	31.20
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0098	.0100	101.56	100.40
Britain pound	1.9555	1.9485	.5114	.5132
Britain 1-mo	1.9455	1.9388	.5140	.5158
Britain 3-mo	1.9290	1.9292	.5184	.5183
Britain 6-mo	1.9087	1.8990	.5239	.5266
Canada dollar	.8576	.8595	1.1661	1.1635
Canada 1-mo	.8544	.8546	1.1704	1.1701

Canada 3-mo	.8484	.8487	1.1787	1.1783
Canada 6-mo	.8405	.8408	1.1897	1.1894
Chile peso-f	.003354	.003370	298.15	296.76
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001883	.001885	531.01	530.51
Denmark krne	.1717	.1731	5.8250	5.7770
Ecudr sucre-z	.001169	.001188	855.08	841.43
Egypt pound	.3640	.3640	2.7474	2.7475
Finlnd mrkka	.2759	.2778	3.6240	3.6000
France franc	.1973	.1964	5.0690	5.0920
France 1-mo	.1970	.1969	5.0773	5.0781
France 3-mo	.1963	.1963	5.0938	5.0940
France 6-mo	.1953	.1953	5.1200	5.1200
Greece drach	.006575	.006633	152.08	150.76
Hollnd guildr	.5860	.5831	1.7066	1.7150
HongKong dlr	.1284	.1284	7.7885	7.7890
India rupee	.0556	.0555	17.99	18.01
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000539	1854.00	1854.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7640	1.7635	0.5669	0.5671
Israel shekel	.5074	.5084	1.9710	1.9670
Italy lira	.000882	.000877	1134.00	1140.50
Japan yen	.007773	.007779	128.65	128.55
Japan 1-mo	.007773	.007778	128.65	128.56
Japan 3-mo	.007791	.007774	128.35	128.63
Japan 6-mo	.007865	.007766	127.15	128.77
Jordan dinar	1.5603	1.5627	.6409	.6399
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000345	.000345	2902.00	2899.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6158	.6135	1.6239	1.6300
Norway krne	.1683	.1698	5.9410	5.8800
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.56	21.56
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	433,400	433,400
P'pnes peso-z	.0395	.0395	25.30	25.30
Portugl escud	.007534	.007565	132.73	132.19
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5853	.5857	1.7085	1.7075
S.Africa rand	.3948	.3963	2.5331	2.5236
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010515	.010526	95.10	95.00
Sweden krona	.1774	.1778	5.6380	5.6230
Switzrl franc	.7800	.7740	1.2820	1.2920
Switzrl 1-mo	.7800	.7740	1.2821	1.2920
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7797	.7738	1.2825	1.2923
Switzrl 6-mo	.7788	.7724	1.2840	1.2947
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0374	26.78	26.77

Turkey lira	.000365	.000365	2737.00	2737.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2726	3.6608	3.6680
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0204	.0204	49.03	48.97
Germany mark	.6605	.6568	1.5140	1.5225
Germany 1-mo	.6603	.6566	1.5145	1.5231
Germany 3-mo	.6595	.6557	1.5163	1.5251
Germany 6-mo	.6579	.6544	1.5200	1.5281
Yugosl dinar	.0959	.0965	10.43	10.36

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 30) UPI - California's real-estate slump worsened in the third quarter, as worries over the economic effect of the Persian Gulf crisis pushed down property loans by 16.2 percent, an information service reported Tuesday.

The third quarter's loan level of $50.7 billion in the state was also 14.5 percent below the figure for the year-ago quarter, Dataquick Information Services said.

"The situation in the Persian Gulf has made the financial markets very nervous " said Donald Cohn, president of the service. "Lenders are being careful and a lot of deals are being put on hold." "While residential lending is down somewhat, the big drop is in the riskier construction loan and major loan categories," Cohn said.

The declines came throughout the state. Southern California lending volume was down 13.9 percent from a year ago; the Central Valley was off 8.1 percent; The San Francisco Bay Area was down 16.2 percent and the Central Coast area plunged 24.9 percent.

Every county surveyed reported a year-to-year decline, with the smallest coming at two percent in El Dorado County, just east of the Sacramento area. The only other areas posting declines of less than four percent were Fresno and Solano counties, which have both become bedroom communities for workers in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Riverside County, once the fastest-growing county in the nation, posted a 22.7-percent decline, while Los Angeles fell 16.3 percent and Orange County declined 13.6 percent.

The report follows several similar disclosures of problems with the real-estate market in California, which went through a two-year boom cycle that ended early last year. The housing market has been particularly soft in coastal urban areas such as Los Angeles and San Francisco, where high prices have forced many potential buyers out of the market.

The California Association of Realtors reported last week that sales of existing single-family homes in September had fallen 10.7 percent, the largest drop this year and the sixth decline in seven months.

TRW Real Estate Information Services also reported last week that September housing sales - new and existing - plunged 23 percent from August for their lowest monthly rate in three years.

Earlier this week, Coldwell Banker Commercial Realty reported that two California cities in the Central Valley - Fresno and Bakersfield - had the highest and third-highest office vacancy rates of any suburban market at 38.6 percent and 31.6 percent, respectively.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Tuesday was 416.75, up 0.08 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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(correcting figures)

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	8.90	9.54
Anchor Fund Inv	13.85	14.69
Delaware Mutual	16.19	17.36
Fidelity Fund	15.63	15.63
Investors Mutual	10.38	10.93
Investors Stocks	17.28	18.19
Investors Select	8.26	8.69
IDS Equity Plus	8.34	8.78
MFS Growth Stock	7.57	8.16
Nicholas Income	3.05	3.05
United Accumulated	5.87	6.42
United Income	15.49	16.93
Vanguard Wellington	15.38	15.38

#90303u2063 10/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Pan American World Airways, hinting at possible bankruptcy proceedings if its efforts fail, said Tuesday it was seeking waivers on about $150 million in payments to the Internal Revenue Service and two aircraft manufacturers.

The Pan Am Corp. unit, which has a long history of financial woes, also said it had not paid $30 million due the IRS to cover an employee pension plan and was ''presently in discussions with the IRS seeking to secure a deferral of these and other obligations.''

The airline said it had also secured short-term waivers on $120 million due to Airbus Industrie, the European aircraft consortium, and to Hartford, Conn.-based United Technologies Corp.

''If agreements cannot be reached on the long-term deferral of the payments due, the creditors have remedies available to them which, if exercised, could have a material adverse effect on Pan Am,'' the airline warned in a statement.

While creditors can demand to repossess assets of a company that owes money, corporations unable to meet their financial obligations can seek protection from their creditors under the Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

Pan Am had already obtained a waiver last month and was expected to settle the payment with the IRS after the closing of the sale of the airline's Internal German Service to German carrier Lufthansa.

The amounts due to Pan Am's pension plans for which deferral is requested are secured by a lien on the Pan Am Shuttle.

The troubled carrier said Airbus and United Technologies have agreed to grant short-term waivers on about $120 million due them this week.

''Payments of $60 million each to Airbus and United Technologies were due upon the closing of the sale of our German routes to Lufthansa,'' Pan Am spokesman Jeffrey Kriendler said. ''We have obtained waivers for these payments.''

Kriendler did not specify the length of the waivers but said the payments were being delayed ''for weeks.''

Lufthansa paid Pan Am $150 million and the transaction was completed Monday, Kriendler said.

The amounts due Airbus and United Technologies are secured by aircraft, spare engines and spare parts, he said.

''These waivers were granted pending the creditors' review of the anticipated

favorable effects of the transaction between Pan Am and United Air Lines announced on Oct. 23,'' Pan Am said.

Pan Am last week signed a $400 million agreement to sell the UAL Corp. subsidiary a package of assets, including five valuable U.S.-to- London routes and facilities at Heathrow International airport.

The deal has been criticized by the Teamsters union and United's rival, American Airlines, which said Pan Am's assets were worth far more than $400 million.

Industry analysts and the Teamsters union have predicted that Pan Am was heading for bankruptcy unless the company could manage to get a fresh infusion of cash.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - U.S. supplies of crude oil dropped for the seventh consecutive week as a result of lower Middle East imports and fell for the first time in 1990 below year-ago levels, the American Petroleum Institute reported Tuesday.

For the week ended Oct. 26, the weekly oil-industry survey found crude oil inventories fell to 339.5 million barrels from 340.4 million barrels in the prior week and slipped well below year-ago levels of 345.4 million barrels.

An API spokesman said it was the first time this year that crude supplies dropped below year-ago levels.

As world prices nosedived earlier this year, commercial stocks were built up to the point where they were 56 million barrels higher than a year ago prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait and the Persian Gulf crisis.

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U.S. refineries operated at 82.5 percent of capacity last week, compared with 83.3 percent a week earlier and 86.6 percent a year ago. At the end of September they were operating at 91.2 percent of capacity.

Inventories of distillate - used for home-heating oil and diesel fuel - rose to 138.1 million barrels from 136.9 million barrels a week earlier and remained above year-ago levels of 118.7 million barrels.

Distillate production remained steady at 2.9 million barrels daily, the same level as the previous week and a year ago.

Distillate imports rose to 322,000 barrels a day from 271,000 barrels a day in the previous week and were higher than year-ago imports of 204, 000 barrels a day.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Voting for the American League Manager of the Year

Award as conducted by the Baseball Writers Association of America (listing 1st place votes in parentheses and total points):

Jeff Torborg, Chicago (23), 128 points.
Tony LaRussa, Oakland (4), 72
Joe Morgan, Boston (1), 28
Sparky Anderson, Detroit, 12
Cito Gaston, Toronto, 6
Bobby Valentine, Texas, 4
Jim Lefebvre, Seattle, 1
Doug Rader, California, 1

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Jeff Torborg, whose Chicago White Sox made a surprising challenge to Oakland in the American League West, Tuesday was named American League Manager of the Year.

In a vote by the Baseball Writers' Association of America, Torborg received 128 points and 23 first-place votes of a possible 28. Tony La Russa, whose A's appeared in a third straight World Series, was second with 72 points and 4 first-place votes.

The White Sox, which trailed the A's by nine games, finished 94-68, their best record since 1983 and a dramatic improvement over 1989 in which they went 69-92.

Torborg's philosophy was simple - do the little things, and do them well: bunting, hit-and-run, speed, defense. The White Sox also had a bullpen anchored by 57-game savior Bobby Thigpen.

And despite being in a pennant race, Torborg resisted turning to veteran players, instead sticking with a lineup that was the youngest in the majors.

The team was reminiscent of the 1959 Go-Go White Sox, which won the AL pennant.

Torborg, 48, repeated cliches and they worked: stay focused, take it one game at a time. Eighty-three White Sox games were decided by two runs or less. Torborg said his stomach is just now starting to settle.

''I kept telling Sammy (Ellis, pitching coach) that we're going to play each night like it's the last game of the World Series,'' he said. ''He'd say 'What about the bullpen?' and I'd say I don't care about tomorrow. Let's win today.''

Joe Morgan, who guided Boston to first place in the AL East, was third with 28 points and was named on one first-place ballot.

Others receiving votes were Sparky Anderson of Detroit (12), Cito Gaston of Toronto (6), Bobby Valentine of Texas (1), Jim Lefebvre of Seattle (1) and Dour Rader of California (1).

Previous winners were La Russa with Chicago in 1983, Anderson (1984), Bobby Cox of Toronto (1985), John McNamara of Boston (1986), Anderson (1987), La Russa with Oakland (1988) and Frank Robinson of Baltimore (1989).

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(OCT. 30) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Republic Gypsum Corp				
Stock				
Block Drug Co cl-A&B	..	3PC	1-2	12-3
Frisch's Restaurants	..	4PC	12-28	11-30
Increased				
Block Drug Co cl-A	Q	.20	1-2	12-3
First Financial Hldgs	Q	.14	11-26	11-9
Kuhlman Corp	Q	.15	1-10	12-11
Standex Intl	Q	.18	11-25	11-14
Special				
DeSoto Inc	..	24.00	12-3	11-13
Mueller (Paul) Co	..	.10	12-14	11-19
Distribution				
Diamond Shmrck Off Ptr	Q	.08	12-7	11-15
Flexible Bond Trust	..	.08	11-23	11-9
North Euro Oil Rylty	Q	.39	11-21	11-9
Trammell Crow REI	Q	.17 1/2	11-16	11-9
Usual				
ACM Govt Spectrum Fund	M	.0845	11-23	11-9
Acme United Corp	Q	.06	12-5	11-9
Airborne Freight Corp	Q	.07 1/2	11-27	11-13
Allied-Signal Inc	Q	.45	12-10	11-16
Bear Stearns Cos	Q	.14	11-30	11-15
Borden Inc	Q	.26 1/2	12-1	11-9
Colonial Group cl-A&B	Q	.10	11-28	11-14
Diebold Inc	Q	.37 1/2	12-28	12-7
Duke Power Co	Q	.41	12-17	11-16

ENSERCH Corp	Q	.20	12-3	11-16
E-Z-EM Inc	..	.15	11-30	11-16
Franklin Universal Tr	M	.093	11-30	11-15
Gerber Scientific Inc	Q	.05	11-30	11-15
Intl Business Machines	Q	1.21	12-10	11-9
Kinetic Concepts Inc	Q	.03	11-19	11-12
Lafarge Corp	Q	.10	12-3	11-12
Loral Corp	Q	.22	12-15	11-26
Mueller (Paul) Co	Q	.50	12-14	11-19
Newmont Gold Co	..	.05	12-11	11-27
Newmont Mining Corp	Q	.15	12-11	11-27
Realty South Investors	Q	.09	11-26	11-12
UGI Corp	Q	.29 1/2	1-1	11-30
USX Corp	Q	.35	12-10	11-9
Waverly Inc	Q	.10	12-12	11-26

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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#90303u2115 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Moody's Investors Services raised the ratings on General Mills Inc.'s long-term unsecured debt Tuesday, citing strong performance in the company's consumer food operations and growth in restaurant operations.

The rating was raised to A1 from A2 for notes, debentures, Euronotes and industrial revenue bonds. Moody's also assigned a (P)A1 rating to the company's new shelf registration of debt securities.

The rating for two defeased debentures was raised to to Aa3 from A1 and the rating for commercial paper confirmed at Prime-1.

Moody's also rated General Mills' Employee Stock Ownership Plan notes A1/Prime-1, up from A2/Prime-1.

The credit rating agency said General Mills' consumer food operations, led by cereal products, generate three-fourths of the company's operating earnings and cash flow.

The agency said General Mills maintains relatively high leverage, but that risk is offset by strong fixed charge coverage and predictable cash flow.

General Mills is a consumer foods and restaurant company based in Minneapolis.

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#90303u2138 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (OCT. 30) UPI - A Delta rocket boosted a $90 million mobile communications satellite into orbit Tuesday in a spectacular night flight, marking the 200th launch of a workhorse Delta since the program's debut 30 years ago.

The $50 million 126-foot Delta 2's main engine and strap-on boosters ignited with a flash of fire and a thundering roar at 6:16 p.m. EST, instantly pushing the rocket away from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station and into the darkening sky.

''We have ignition and we have liftoff. Liftoff of Delta number 200,'' said launch commentator Ray Adams as the slender rocket streaked away on a fiery flight visible for miles along Florida's ''space coast.'' ''This is the kind of flight we enjoy - watching that bird go up and do its job.''

Perched atop the Delta 2 in a protective nose cone was Inmarsat-2 F1, the first of a new generation of high-power communications satellites built by British Aerospace for the 62-nation International Maritime Satellite Organization, or Inmarsat.

Twenty-two minutes after launch, the rocket's third stage fired to put the solar-powered 2,100-pound satellite into a preliminary elliptical orbit. An on-board rocket was scheduled to fire later to boost the satellite into a circular orbit 22,300 miles above the Indian Ocean equator.

''Inmarsat-2 is a new kind of satellite, specifically designed to handle mobile communications applications,'' Inmarsat Director General Olof Lundberg said in a statement. ''It will ... provide communications to Earth stations small enough to be hand portable.''

The flight marked the 200th Delta mission dating back to May 13, 1960, when a less powerful version of the McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co. booster debuted carrying an Echo 1 communications satellite.

That mission ended in failure, but a Delta launched three months later, on Aug. 12, 1960, was successful, kicking off one of the most reliable American rocket programs ever mounted. In 199 launches before Tuesday's flight, only 12 were failures.

Constantly upgraded to improve performance, Delta rockets have evolved through 16 different configurations. The Delta 2 currently in service was built by McDonnell Douglas specifically to launch 20 Air Force Global Positioning System satellites under contracts valued at $669 million.

McDonnell Douglas also markets the rockets on a commercial basis and prior to Tuesday's launch, the company's record stood at 21 successes in a row dating back to May 3, 1986, and a perfect 13 straight for the upgraded Delta 2, including six commercial launches.

Inmarsat-2 F1 is the first satellite owned and operated by the London-based Inmarsat consortium, which has focused on providing global satellite communications service for ships at sea using leased radio transponders aboard eight other satellites.

Ahmad Ghais, director of engineering and operations for Inmarsat, said the organization plans to greatly expand service in the 1990s to include users on the ground and in the air around the world. The company's motto for its expanded service is ''global mobile.''

''Anyone on the go should be able to use our satellites to communicate anywhere on Earth,'' Ghais said.

Inmarsat paid $160 million for its first wholly owned satellite, the Delta 2 rocket and ground services. The price tag also included the cost of about $70 million in insurance that was purchased commercially at a rate of 16.5 percent. The balance of the mission cost was self-insured by the company.

Inmarsat currently provides direct-dial voice, fax and data transmission services for ships at sea. But the company is aggressively marketing small terminals that can be used aboard aircraft or in the field.

Mobile transmission units currently cost about $15,000, but the price is expected to drop into the $5,000 range in a few years, bringing instant satellite communications into the reach of small business users.

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#90303u2164 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Striking Daily News reporters and editors gave the troubled tabloid little chance of surviving Tuesday, but despite facing the prospects of losing their jobs for good, vowed not to give into management.

In what one reporter called a ''soul-searching session,'' about 80 members of the Newspaper Guild, representing reporters, editors, photographers and advertising personnel at the newspaper met for more than an hour in sun-filled Robert Moses Park at 42nd Street and First Avenue, just blocks from the News's midtown headquarters.

Reporter Paul LaRosa said the meeting had been called ''to dispel notions that a negotiated settlement'' was still possible, especially now that management reportedly has begun hiring permanent replacements in the newsroom.

Guild members said that development forced them to realize they now face losing their jobs for good if they remain on strike, but also strengthened their resolve not to allow management to bust the unions so it can run the paper without them.

''I think to cross a picket line would be a basic act of betrayal,'' said Don Singleton, a News reporter for 26 years. ''Not one person here said, 'I'm going back.'''

''I won't cross the picket - it's not the way I was brought up,'' said News columnist Mike McAlary as he carried a strike sign outside the News building.

''This is a strike over the right to have a union,'' McAlary added. ''These people (The Chicago-based Tribune Co., which owns the Daily News) don't believe people have the right to have a union.''

''Those of us who are wavering, we're not going back without each other,'' said striking reporter JoAnne Wasserman.

Reuben Rosario, the News's Brooklyn courthouse reporter, said he could not ''in good conscience'' cross the picket line to work alongside people who had taken the jobs of people he has worked with for years.

An undetermined number of Guild members, including several photographers, returned to work, but union president Barry Lipton said he did not know how many had broken ranks.

''I can understand the concern that people have, especially when management is saying they're replacing them,'' Lipton said. ''They have to understand that not to stay out is to lose all hope, and would be contributing to the News's attacks on their brothers and sisters.''

News spokeswoman Lisa Robinson said when asked about the union defections ''there has been some movement afoot'' but she also declined to give numbers.

''We have hired replacement workers in all areas,'' Robinson said.

Reporter Don Gentile echoed many when he expressed doubts about how successful a prolonged strike can be in saving their jobs and the newspaper. ''We might be in a no-win situation.''

''I think the union will go down in flames,'' LaRosa said.

Lea Massato-Hamm, a sales representative, was equally pessimistic about the paper's prospects of survival, especially if distribution continues to be a problem for both management and advertisers. ''I think the Daily News is going to close,'' she said.

On Thursday, the first day of labor unrest, Massato-Hamm said several advertisers called about being remibursed because copies of the paper were never delivered to certain parts of the city.

''The bottom line is that if there's no paper on the stand, they lose business '' Massato-Hamm said. ''The Daily News knows they're going to lose all this money, but they're trying to break the unions.''

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#90303u2179 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (OCT. 30) UPI - New England's biggest banking company said Tuesday that defense contractors in the region are trying to adjust to less government spending by ''aggressively'' pursuing foreign and non- military markets.

But Bank of Boston Corp. could provide no evidence any of the companies were successful in actually shifting sales to other market segments.

The company, which has been badly hurt by a collapsing real estate market and plummeting public confidence in the economy, said its findings were promising for the region.

''This is encouraging news for the New England economy,'' said Ira Stepanian, Bank of Boston chairman and chief executive officer.

As for results of military contractors' efforts, Wayne Ayers, the bank's chief economist, said: ''We only have to work with what they tell us.'' And, Ayers said, the survey did not ask for details of new sales.

The banking company said more than 75 percent of the mostly small- and medium-size companies that responsed to its mailed survey ''said they have tried at least one new strategy ... over the past three years to tap into non-Department of Defense markets.''

Those new approaches most often have been new products and more aggressive marketing, the bank said.

''Most defense contractors ... appear to be moving aggressively to enter new markets and to reduce their dependence on defense spending,'' Bank of Boston said.

Exports by military contractors are already high, but much of that is military equipment and services, Ayers said.

However, he added, as U.S. military spending drops, ''it probably will mean that defense spending abroad will be beefed up as (other countries) shoulder more of their share'' of the cost of defense.

Ayers' figures showed that 21 percent of goods made by U.S. military contractors are exported, compared with 12 percent of all manufactured goods. Also, 25 percent of the military sector's services are sold abroad vs. just 3 percent of all services exported.

Bank of Boston, which said U.S. government military spending currently represents 8 percent of the region's total production, also predicted military spending will decline from 2 percent to 5 percent a year, adjusted for inflation, over the next few years.

''Our survey results suggest that the move to diversify and to increase exports for this export-oriented region could assist New England in getting back on a more solid footing,'' Ayers said.

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#90303u2186 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - War has NOT broken out in the Persian Gulf, but U-S troops are at risk... as shown today in an explosion aboard a U-S warship in the region. U-S military officials say a boiler room blast early today on the U-S-S Iwo Jima killed six sailors instantly and critically injured four others who died later. In Saudi Arabia, a vehicle overturned... killing a Marine and bringing to 42 the number of Americans who have died in Operation Desert Shield.

Pan American World Airways says it is seeking waivers on some 50- Million dollars in payments to the Internal Revenue Service and to a pair of aircraft makers. The Pan Am Corporation also says it has NOT paid 30-Million dollars due the I-R-S to cover an employee pension plan. Last week, Pan Am signed a 400-Million-dollar deal to sell the U-A-L Corporation a package of assets... including five valuable routes between the United States and London.

A flash of fire and a thundering roar was seen and heard at Cape Canaveral tonight as a rocket blasted off and headed toward space. The mission to deploy a 90-Million-dollar satellite marks the 200th launch in the booster program's 30-year history. The Delta-2 rocket is carrying the first of a new generation of high-powered communications satellites built by British Aerospace.

A California winery worker has been found guilty of seven counts of murder in a bloody rampage that left six of his relatives and a co- worker dead. Ramon Salcido showed NO emotion as the jury verdit was read today in a Redwood City courtroom. Jurors deliberated four days before returning the verdict against Salcido for the killing spree that began April 14th, 1989. Salcido faces a possible death sentence or life in prison without parole.

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#90303u2190 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

AUSTIN, TX (OCT. 30) UPI - The state said Tuesday it has sued the makers of an alleged fuel-saving device called the ''PetroMizer,'' saying the instrument is ineffective and advertisements for it are false and misleading.

''It's no surprise that someone would develop a scam such as this at a time when gasoline prices are increasing dramatically,'' said Attorney General Jim Mattox.

Named as defendants are Advanced Automotive Technologies, Inc.; Robert Morrison Jr., and Gaetano Francesco Sarcona, also known as Frank Sarcone and Frank Johns. Mattox said all of the defendants are based in Phoenix, Ariz.

The state's complaint alleges that the PetroMizer is nothing more than a magnet encased in plastic, which the user is directed to attach with plastic ties to the exterior portion of a vehicle's fuel line.

The defendants purchased full-page advertisements in daily newspapers in Austin, El Paso and Houston. The ads claimed the device would increase fuel efficiency, reduce hydrocarbon and carbon monoxide emissions and increase horsepower.

Mattox said, however, it is impossible for the device to affect a car's mileage, pollution or horsepower.

The ads also falsely claimed, the suit said, that the device had been endorsed by the Army, the California Air Resources Board, the Chrysler- Plymouth Corp., and the Westchester County, N.Y., Police Department, and developed with funding from the space agency.

The defendants are also being sued by the states of Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri and Tennessee.

The Texas complaint asked a state district court in Harris County to prohibit the defendants from engaging in deceptive business practices, make full refunds to consumers and pay civil penalties, court courts and attorneys fees.

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#90303u2206 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - The nation's economic growth was surprisingly brisk in the third quarter, with analysts attributing the figures to a surge in consumer spending. But economics do NOT agree on whether the expansion is a signal that the nation may avoid recession... or simply marks a last hurrah before the big slide. One economist describes the economy as ''sloppy and slow-growing.''

President Bush tried today to rally Republicans for next week's congressional elections, blaming Democrats for tax increases in the budget. But Democratic congressional leaders say Bush is distorting the truth. House leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri says Bush wanted a- quote- ''a good deal for the wealthy, a raw deal for the elderly and a double deal for the middle class.''

Scientists have further encouraging results to report in the first attempt to

treat muscular dystrophy by implanting healthy muscle cells in patients. Dr. Peter Law of the University of Tennessee at Memphis says the method significantly boosted the strength of three boys' big toes. But Law remphasizes the method may never become a standard treatment for muscular dystrophy.

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#90303u2223 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW HAMBURG, Mo. (OCT. 30) UPI - A minor earthquake measuring 2.6 on the Richter scale struck the New Madrid Fault in southeastern Missouri early Tuesday, university officials said.

The temblor was recorded at 12:56 a.m. CST, said scientists at Memphis State University.

The epicenter of the quake was at New Hamburg, Mo., about 12 miles southwest of Cape Girardeau, scientists said. Cape Girardeau is about 100 miles southeast of St. Louis.

The temblor was considered an aftershock of the Sept. 26 quake measuring 4.6 on the Richter scale, which had the same epicenter, officials said.

The shaker was felt in parts of six states, authorities said. It was the fifth quake that was felt in the fault zone this year.

Concern about the possibility of a major earthquake along the fault has been growing this year since publicity about a prediction by New Mexico climatologist Iben Browning.

Browning has predicted a 50-50 chance of an earthquake measuring at least 6.0 on the Richter scale along the fault on or about Dec. 2-3.

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#90303u2236 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

EAST ST. LOUIS, IL (OCT. 30) UPI - City Attorney Eric Vickers said Tuesday that East St. Louis will refund $474 million to investors for a redevelopment project that never got off the ground.

Vickers blamed litigation and TechniCo-op Inc., the Connecticut-based primary developer in the riverfront development plan, for the failure of the much-anticipated series of building projects.

''I think it was a good faith effort by the city. Construction was held up by litigation and trouble with the primary developer,'' Vickers said.

''I think the city as well as other municipalities were ripped off'' by Wall

Street bond broker Matthews & Wright, Vickers said, adding: ''I think the projects are viable. It's just a matter of finding financing - legitimate financing.''

Investors in Mayor Carl E. Officer's dream of revitalizing the poverty-stricken city's riverfront were promised refunds if work did not start on the projects by Dec. 15. Vickers said the refunds will be made.

The projects would have included an apartment complex, a port and a resource recovery plant.

Officials from two of the participating banks said they are notifying investors they will get their money back.

Premier Bank of Shreveport, La., sent notices Oct. 17 to bondholders telling them the bank will refund $223.7 million in port bonds.

National Westminister Bank in New York City is expected Thursday to inform investors in the $125.3 million resource recovery plant that they will get refunds.

The apartment complex investors will be notified of their refunds by National Westminister in about three weeks. The bank held $125 million in bonds for the proposed 1,250-unit complex.

Officer's revitalization plan, if it had been completed, would have provided badly needed jobs and tax revenue for East St. Louis, which has an estimated debt of more than $40 million - six times the municipality's annual income.

The Internal Revenue Service has been investigating the city's bond issue, keying on the tax-exempt status of the bonds.

If the IRS revokes the bonds tax-exempt status because the projects were not built, bondholders might have to pay taxes on the interest they earned for the last five years, possibly prompting investors to seek legal action against the city.

Matthews & Wright and three of its officials were charged with fraud last year by the Securities and Exchange Commission. The company settled the charges by quitting the bond underwriting business without admitting guilt.

Matthews & Wright made an estimated $19.5 million on the East St. Louis bonds. The city spent more than $15 million in bond proceeds on consultants and lawyers for the three projects.

All of the city's projects were supposed to be developed by TechniCo- Op Inc. of Bridgeport, Conn., the firm that introduced the city to Matthews & Wright.

Officer fired TechniCo-Op five months after the bonds were issued. The company filed two lawsuits against the city, one of which is still pending in New York City.

The mayor's riverfront development plan also is the focus of an investigation by the U.S. Attorney.

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#90303u2254 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (OCT. 30) UPI - Ramon Salcido was convicted Tuesday of murdering seven people, including two of his children, in a 1989 rampage in California's wine country triggered by what his defense claims was a psychotic depression.

Along with finding him guilty of six counts of first-degree murder and a single count of second-degree murder, jurors convicted the former winery worker of two counts of attempted murder.

The eight-man, four-woman jury was scheduled to return to San Mateo County Superior Court Nov. 7 to decide whether Salcido should be sentenced to death or life in prison without possibility of parole. If sentenced to death, an appeal is automatic in California.

Salcido, 29, showed no emotion as the verdict was read. Eleven sheriff's deputies stood guard in the court.

He was acquitted of a single count of attempted manslaughter in the wounding of Terry Butti, the wife of winery worker Kenneth Butti, 33, who was also wounded by Salcido.

The jury deliberated four days before returning its verdict in the April, 14, 1989 killing frenzy.

Salcido, arrested near his hometown in Mexico several days after the killings, slit the throats of his three daughters and shot his 24-year- old wife Angela to death.

He also killed his mother-in-law, Marian Richards, 47, her daughters Marie, 8, and Ruth, 12, and a winery co-worker, Tracy Toovey, 35.

The bodies of his daughters, 22-month-old Teresa, 4-year-old Sofia and 2-year-old Carmina, were abandoned in a Sonoma County dump after their throats were cut. Only Carmina survived.

Following his arrest, Salcido, his voice devoid of emotion, made a chilling confession to detectives as they escorted him back from Mexico on a jet borrowed from Peanuts cartoonist Charles Schulz.

After the verdict was announced Tuesday, Marteen Miller, Salcido's lawyer, said: ''It's not over until it's over,'' apparently referring to the sentencing hearing yet to come.

Miller told jurors at the outset that Salcido committed the killings but argued that he was in a drug and alcohol-induced state that made him incapable of premeditated murder.

During opening statements in the trial, Miller said her client has the mind of a 2-year-old and that he loved his children ''only as an extension of himself.''

Miller told the jury Salcido killed his children because he was angry with his wife, accusing the former model of infidelity.

Psychiatrists who examined Salcido found him to be ''severely mentally ill,'' Miller had said.

Salcido's tape-recorded confession recounted in gruesome detail how he slashed the throats of his daughters and hurled their limp bodies into a gully.

He told how he used a jack handle to bludgeon his mother-in-law to death and a butcher knife to cut the throats of her two young daughters.

He shot his wife with a .22-caliber pistol stolen from his father-in- law and later used it to kill a winery co-worker and wound another.

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#90303u2258 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (OCT. 30) UPI - Thousands of volunteers took to the streets at dusk Tuesday in an effort to dampen Devil's Night, an orgy of arson that traditionally sweeps Detroit each year around Halloween.

A curfew for youths under age 18 was in effect from Monday to Thursday, an arson hotline was set up, a $1,500 reward was offered for every arsonist turned in, and pay television companies were giving away some of their services in an effort to keep young viewers home.

These efforts appear to be working. Since the Devil's Night mobilization began five years ago, fires have dropped 72 percent since the peak in 1984, when a record 810 fires burned during the three-day Halloween period. Last year, there were 223 fires during the same period.

This year, about 35,000 volunteers and 3,500 block clubs were patrolling streets during the 6 p.m.-to-6 a.m. curfew, which began Monday night and ends Thursday morning, when most of the trouble was expected. Police said 170

juveniles had been arrested since the curfew began.

About 60 fires, considered normal, were reported during the first day of the three-day curfew period, officials said. During 1989, 379 youths were arrested during the three days for curfew violations.

A hotline, 96-ARSON, also was established this year for residents to report individuals starting fires with a $1,500 reward going to the person who turns in an arsonist.

And 11 cable television companies in the Detroit area were unscrambling their signals Tuesday night so customers could receive without cost premium channels such as HBO, Cinemax, The Movie Channel and the sports station PASS.

Curfew violators are given a $50 tickets and ''are detained until their parents come and pick them up,'' a police spokeswoman said. She said the teenagers also must appear in court.

Many of the youths arrested Monday night were unaware a curfew existed, yelling as they were being arrested ''What curfew?'' But it has been a standard tool of control since the mid-1980s when Devil's Night became a period in which hundreds of fires were set in cars, garages, garbage bins, vacant houses and even occupied houses.

This year, Mayor Coleman A. Young and city workers launched their most aggressive anti-arson campaign. Besides the army of volunteers, seven special Fire Department command stations were established.

Department of Public Works crews have razed more than 600 abandoned buildings in the past several weeks, and the Police Department has towed abandoned cars that might attract arsonists. One recent count showed Detroit had more than 15,000 abandoned homes and buildings.

In one week, the city distributed about 6,000 yard signs bearing the city's new slogan, ''My Heart Is with Detroit.'' The signs are designed to instill civic pride and counter the charred image associated with Devil's Night.

''We hope that the period will come in the not-too-far future when the Halloween period will be looked upon as any other period and it will not be necessary to take unusual steps,'' Young said. ''But until that day comes, we will do whatever we have to do to keep it under control.''

Alarmed by the international publicity over Devil's Night, Young carefully controls access to arson statistics. No official figures are released until several days after Halloween - and those figures come from the mayor's office.

Traditionally, the areas hit hardest by Devil's Night arsonists are the older, poorer sections of the city with closely packed wooden houses pockmarked by

vacant buildings and crack houses. Many sections of the city, however, remain virtually untouched.

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#90303u2303 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 30) UPI - The Drug Enforcement Administration is investigating whether the Decmeber 1988 bombing over Scotland of a Pan American World Airways jumbo jet was linked to one of the agency's undercover operations, NBC News reported Tuesday.

The government was conducting an inquiry into an allegation that the bomb that destroyed Pan Am Flight 103, killing all 259 people aboard and 11 on the ground, was perhaps placed in the baggage of a 23-year-old Lebanese American acting as a DEA courier, the network said, citing anonymous sources.

There has been no conclusive evidence pinning the bombing on any one person or group, although Middle East political terrorism has long been suspected.

A DEA statement said there was no evidence to support reports that its undercover activities were linked to the bombing.

The new development suggested that drug operatives may have uncovered the top-secret operation targeting Middle East herion trafficking to the United States and retalitated by blowing up the plane over Lockerbie, Scotland, on Dec. 21, 1988, NBC News said.

The network report said Pan Am flights from Frankfurt, West Germany, including Flight 103, had been used several times by the DEA as part of its undercover operations to fly informants and suitcases of heroin into Detroit as part of a sting operation to catch drug dealers.

''Operation Courier'' was established by the DEA three years ago in Cyprus to infiltrate Lebanese heroin networks in the Middle East and their connections in the United States, NBC News said.

The network quoted law enforcement and intelligence sources as saying the Pan Am baggage area in Frankfurt was a key to the operation through the U.S. and West German governments. Informants would put suitcases of heroin on the Pan Am flights apparently without the usual security checks, it said.

Sources told NBC News that the fear now is that those who blew up the plane infiltrated the undercover operation and substituted a bomb for the heroin in one of the shipments.

The courier, according to sources quoted by the network, had been recruited as an informant. The DEA was trying to determine whether he was tricked by terrorists into carrying the bomb aboard the flight.

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#90303u2318 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 30) UPI - Defense lawyers for Michael Milken said their client was an ''innovative financier who occasionally crossed the line'' but not a ''master criminal,'' as the government contends.

The statement came in a memorandum they filed with U.S. District Court Judge Kimba Wood released Tuesday.

A two-week presentencing hearing for Milken ended last week. The former head of Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc.'s junk-bond department, who pleaded guilty in April to six counts of securities fraud, faces a maximum jail term of 28 years.

A sentence may be handed down by Wood as early as next week.

The hearing had been ordered by Wood to determine if Milken had been involved in a broad conspiracy to manipulate the financial markets, as the government alleges, or had broken the law in a few isolated cases to help clients, as his lawyers claim.

Prosecutors' summary of the hearing is expected to be released on Wednesday.

In their 40-page memorandum, Milken's lawyers contended the government, despite four years of scrutinizing him ''to a degree unmatched in recent memory,'' failed to prove he had broken the law with regard to the three specific financial transactions considered at the hearing.

Defense lawyers also claimed that prosecutors had an unfair advantage in the hearing because they used the threat of prosecution and the promise of immunity to persuade witnesses to testify, while they had neither of those weapons at their disposal.

Milken's lawyers acknowledged that the stock of Wickes Cos., a company with businesses in automotive equipment and building supplies acquired in a leveraged buyout, had been manipulated prior to the buyout in April 1986, but they said the government failed to prove Milken had been involved in the manipulation.

To support their argument, defense lawyers said Cary Maultasch, a Drexel trader, and Michael Davidoff, a trader for the Boesky Organization - called ''the two persons most directly involved in the manipulation'' in the defense memorandum - testified that Milken never asked them to manipulate a stock.

Milken's attorneys questioned the credibility of another Drexel trader, Peter Gardiner, who had testified that he believed Milken had indeed been involved in manipulating Wickes stock.

The memorandum portrayed Gardiner as a ''confessed perjurer'' who lied repeatedly to the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Milken grand jury and who felt ''compelled'' to testify against Milken to avoid prosecution.

The defense also denied government allegations that Milken had bribed money managers in connection with the Drexel-financed leveraged buyout of Storer Communications Inc. in 1985 by selling them interests in a partnership that held Storer warrants later sold for many times their initial value.

''The government must concede that merely providing an investment opportunity to a client is not illegal,'' the memorandum stated.

The defense dismissed prosecutors claims that Milken should have disclosed the unusual arrangement, noting the responsibility for disclosing such information rested with Drexel's lawyers and compliance officers, not Milken.

In the third transaction, defense lawyers said the government failed to prove Milken received insider information regarding Drexel's underwriting of a bond-for-stock Caesar's World Inc. exchange offer in the summer of 1983.

The government claims that Milken had advance knowledge of the offer and that he directed his traders to purchase Caesar's World bonds prior to the announcement of the offer. The exchange offer sharply increased the value of the bonds.

But the defense memorandum said that witnesses failed to corroborate the government's version of events and that Milken was actually vacationing in Europe during the period the prosecutors claims he was directing the illegal trades.

The defense also denied government allegations that Milken attempted to obstruct a government investigation of Drexel, despite ''colorful descriptions'' at the hearing by Milken aides of ''hushed conversations over running faucets.''

''No witness was asked by Mr. Milken to destroy a document; no witness was asked to give false testimony; no witness was asked to withhold evidence from the government; no witness was ever intimidated,'' the memorandum asserted.

Defense lawyers asked Wood to bear in mind the ''positive aspects'' of Milken's life when setting a sentence, such as his business achievements and his community and charitable contributions.

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#90303u2369 10/30/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 30) UPI - President Bush met with congressional leaders and his

national security council advisers at the White House today. Republican Senator William Cohen of Maine says he did NOT get the impression the United States is ''moving closer to war.''

Chrysler and the United Auto Workers union are NOT disclosing the terms of a tentative contract announced early today in Michigan. But a negotiator for the automaker says the pact should help Chrysler's ''future competitiveness.''

A jury in Redwood City, California, today found Ramon Salcido guilty of killing seven people, including two of his children. The same jury will decide if Salcido should be sentenced to death for the 1989 rampage in California's wine country.

Memphis State University scientists say a minor earthquake measuring two-point-six on the Richter scale hit southeastern Missouri today. Officials say the quake struck the New Madrid Fault and was felt in six states.

A network report says the Drug Enforcement Administration is investigating the 1988 bombing over Scotland of a Pan American jumbo jet. The report quotes sources as saying a D-E-A informant may have been tricked into carrying the bomb onto the plane.

Britain's geographical isolation from Europe ended today as British and French tunnelers reached each other beneath the waters of the English channel. A formal linkup ceremony is scheduled to take place in January.

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#90304b0006 10/31/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - EMCON Associates (NASDAQ:MCON) Wednesday reported a strong quarter with an increase in the third quarter earnings of 22 percent, or 33 cents per share, vs. the 27 cents per share in the 1989 third quarter.

Net revenue increased 51 percent from $9,823,000 in 1989's third quarter to $14,843,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net income increased 31 percent over the like time frame to $1,453,000 from $1,105,000.

For the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, EMCON's net revenue was $40,587,000 an increase of 50 percent from net revenue of $26,996,000 in the like period last year.

Pro forma net income, before recognition of the effect of the settlement of the Kettleman Hills lawsuit, was $3,823,000, or 89 cents per share compared with net income of $2,890,000, or 71 cents per share in the comparable 1989 period. Pursuant to the terms of the settlement agreement, funds were disbursed Aug. 6, 1990.

EMCON provides comprehensive engineering and consulting services in waste management and environmental protection. Established in 1971, EMCON today is a leader in the design and development of waste management facilities and remediation and analytical programs. EMCON serves public and private clients throughout the United States.

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LINCOLN, NE (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Terrano Corp. (NASDAQ:TRNO) announced Wednesday that Humana Inc. of Louisville, Ky. (NYSE:HUM) will install Terrano's ILS-5 Laboratory Information System at Humana Hospital - Huntsville, a 323 bed acute care facility in Huntsville, Ala.

The system will be based on the Prime 50-Series hardware platform and will include Terrano's Anatomic Surgical Information Retrieval System, Transfusion Service Manager, Advanced Microbiology and Laboratory Management Modules plus multiple Instrument Interfaces.

This will be the first ILS-5 system to be intalled under the Paid-Up License Agreement between Terrano and Humana which was announced Oct. 16 and it will bring the total number of ILS-5 installations at Humana facilities to 17.

Terrano Corp. develops and markets integrated turn-key computer systems for radiology departments and clinical laboratories. The company is best known for the ILS-5 clinical laboratory system which is a comprehensive information management system for both hospital and private laboratories.

Terrano Corp. products are based on the IBM AS/400 and Prime Computer Inc. 50-Series family of computer systems.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Unify Corp. Wednesday released the most comprehensive set of Open Systems application development technologies yet designed for developers using IBM's RISC System/6000 line of high-performance workstations and servers.

Built around Unify's ACCELL/SQL 'Open Systems 4GL' technology, this full suite of software tools will allow IBM RISC System/6000 developers to easily write and better maintain complex applications across a number of different

graphical user interfaces (GUIs) and Unix relational databases.

''Our ACCELL application development package for the IBM RISC platforms is designed to meet the current and future productivity and migration needs of System/6000 workstation developers,'' said Bill Osberg, Unify's director of product marketing. ''Our Open Systems architecture allows System/6000 developers to support multiple databases and GUIs simultaneously, even in the most demanding network environments.''

IBM's RISC System/6000 family was designed to work in heterogeneous, open systems networks with workstations for IBM and other manufacturers. The family includes nine high-performance workstations and servers running AIX Version 3, a Unix-based operating system conformant with IEEE open software standards (POSIX 1003.1).

These machines offer a top performance of 41 MIPS and 13 MFLOPS, and incorporate a high-performance implementation of the IBM Micro Channel architecture and integrated network communications facilities including X.25, TCP/IP and the Network File System.

The ACCELL open systems application development toolset for IBM's RISC System/6000 family takes special advantage of these and other features, including IBM's high-performance floating point processors, superscalar processors and optimized graphics capabilities.

Unify Corp. is a leading supplier of Unix-based application development technology. This year, the company became the first and only firm to offer a common 4GL-based application development environment to support all leading Unix databases and graphical user interfaces.

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NOVATO, CALIF. (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Harding Associates Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:HRDG) announced the opening of a new office in Northfield, Ill., a suburb of Chicago.

''Harding Associates has been serving clients in the Midwest for several years now,'' said Paul V. Rosasco, senior vice president for Harding, ''and the opening of this office will allow us to better serve existing clients as well as offer our broad range of environmental services to many of our national clients who have facilities in this area.''

The office will be managed by Robert W. Dennis, Ph.D., who has more than 15 years of industrial and consulting experience in environmental engineering and investigation and remediation of contaminated sites.

Dr. Dennis, 41, received a M.S. degree from the University of Notre Dame in 1976 in Environmental Health Engineering and his Doctorate in Civil Engineering in 1978. Prior to transferring to the Chicago area, he managed Harding's Novato office. Dr. Dennis is a Registered Professional Engineer.

Founded in 1957, Harding Associates, through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Harding Lawson Associates and Harding Construction Services, provides engineering, environmental, and construction management services for both remediation of contaminated sites and the design of solid and hazardous waste facilities.

Besides the new office, located at 550 Frontage Rd., Suite 395, Northfield, Ill., the company has offices in California, Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Hawaii Nevada, New Jersey, Texas, Washington and the District of Columbia.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - SEEQ Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:SEEQ) announced that net revenue for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $45.1 million compared to $55.1 million for the prior year.

The company also reported a net loss for the year of $26.1 million, or $2 loss per share (13 million shares) compared with net income of $1.1 million, or 9 cents per share, for the prior year (13 million shares).

Net revenue for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $11.1 million compared to net revenue of $10.1 million for the like period last year.

There was a net loss for the quarter of $15.9 million or $1.18 per share (13.4 million shares) which includes a restructuring charge of $11.4 million. This compares to a net loss of $2.4 million, or 19 cents per share (12.9 million shares) for the like quarter last year.

The fourth quarter revenue of $11.1 million was an increase of 10 percent over the third quarter of the current fiscal year and is reflective of additional shipments of the company's newer advanced EEPROMs and data communication products.

As a result of the decision to convert the fabrication facility from full

production manufacturing to a pre-production and process development facility, SEEQ is taking a pre-tax charge of $11.4 million during our fiscal fourth quarter. The charge for restructuring includes equipment write-offs, facility lease costs, severance and incentive payments and the costs of foundry transfer.

SEEQ Technology Inc. is a leading designer and manufacturer of electrically erasable programmable read-only memories, Flash EPROMs, military UVEPROMs and Ethernet data communication products. SEEQ Technology Inc. is located at 1849 Fortune Drive, San Jose, Calif. 95131. Telephone: 408/432-7400.

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Los Angeles Times circulation increased 8 percent daily and 7.5 percent on Sunday -- reflecting the newspaper's largest Sunday circulation gain in nearly a quarter of a century and maintaining The Times' position as the number one daily metropoliatan newspaper in the United States.

Sunday circulation for the six-month period ended Sept. 30 increased 105,485 to 1,518,000, according to figures filed with the Audit Bureau of Circulations -- the largest gain since 1968. Daily circulation jumped 88,700 to 1,196,323.

Circulation increased sharply in Orange County and the San Fernando Valley, two key marketing areas for The Times. Orange County circulation is up 6.7 percent, or 11,224, daily and 19.2 percent, or 39,979, on Sunday. Circulation for the Valley and Ventura County editions, according to Times internal records, grew by 5.3 percent, or 11,460, daily and 4.1 percent, or 11,306, on Sunday.

''Becoming the nation's number one daily last spring was a historic milestone '' said David Laventhol, publisher and chief executive officer of The Times. ''These new circulation figures reflect continued growth for The Times and strengthening of our position in these important regional markets.''

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SAN ANTONIO (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Frank E. Holmes, chairman of United Services Advisors Inc. (NASDAQ:USVSP), Wednesday announced that the company posted consolidated net earnings of $211,768, 5 cents per share, for the

quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, in comparison to net earnings of $309,778, 8 cents per share, for the like period one year earlier.

The decrease in earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was principally attributable to an increase in marketing expenditures incurred in an effort to promote several of its existing mutual funds and in preparation for launching two new mutual funds.

The company also announced that the board of trustees of United Services Funds has approved increasing the fee charged for transfer agency accounts from $14 per account to $18 per account effective Nov. 1, 1990. These fees, which remain below the industry average for an in-house transfer agency, represent services related to maintaining and servicing shareholder accounts of United Services Funds.

This increase is expected to increase revenues for the company by approximately $500,000 annually.

United Service Advisors Inc. is a public company based in San Antonio and manages a mutual fund complex of eleven no-load funds. The company's stock is traded over the counter under the symbol USVSP.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - The PGT-PG&E Pipeline Expansion Wednesday announced that the Bechtel Corp., project manager, has awarded contracts to two firms -- Cooper Rolls and Solar Turbines Inc. -- for turbines and compressors for the $1.2 billion expansion project, which will transport additional volumes of Canadian natural gas to the western United States.

Bechtel awarded Cooper Rolls of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, a multimillion-dollar contract to provide three gas turbine compressor packages and 18 centrifugal compressors. The turbines and compressors are to be engineered by the first quarter of 1991.

Manufacturing is contingent upon regulatory approval, expected by early 1991 from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the California Public Utilities Commission.

Solar Turbines Inc. of San Diego was awarded a several-million-dollar contract for a single turbine and compressor package.

The PGT-PG&E expansion, sponsored by Pacific Gas Transmission Co. (PGT) and Pacific Gas and Electric Co. (PG&E), will transport 755 million cubic feet a

day (MMcf/d) of Canadian natural gas to California and 148 MMcf/d to the Pacific Northwest.

Construction, scheduled to begin in early 1992, will involve installing approximately 900 miles of 42-inch and 36-inch pipeline, paralleling and interconnecting with the existing PGT and PG&E facilities from British Columbia to California.

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PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - PacifiCorp (NYSE,LSE: PPW) Wednesday reported third quarter 1990 earnings of $.43 per share -- the same as in the 1989 period -- while year-to-date earnings per share increased 1 percent to $1.33 from $1.32.

Consolidated revenues rose 5 percent, to $965 million, as electric operations, mining and resource development and telecommunications segments produced quarterly increases.

Electric operations, through Pacific Power and Utah Power, reported third quarter revenues of $539 million, a gain of 2 percent. Kilowatt-hour sales to other utilities increased 19 percent as the company began deliveries during the year to Nevada Power and the Sacramento Municipal Utility District under new long-term firm power contracts. Although retail kilowatt-hour sales grew 2 percent, retail electric revenue remained flat as a result of price reductions.

NERCO, PacifiCorp's mining and resource development subsidiary, reported revenues of $201 million -- a $27 million, or 15 percent, increase.

Revenue from coal sales, NERCO's mainstay business, rose 18 percent, or $20 million, on a 20 percent increase in sales volume. Oil and gas revenues rose $10 million, or 26 percent, as a result of increased production stemming from acquisitions and new well development. Precious metals revenue declined $3 million as NERCO sold 6 percent less gold at lower average prices. No silver sales were made in the third quarter 1989 or 1990 and NERCO recently announced the indefinite closure of its largest silver mine in Nevada pending sustainable price improvements.

In the telecommunications segment, Pacific Telecom posted quarterly revenues of $204 million, up 19 percent from a year ago. The gain reflects the sale of capacity on the North Pacific fiber- optic cable and the addition of revenue from North-West Telecommunications acquired in August 1990. Offsetting these gains were Alaskan long distance intrastate rate reductions and favorable

out-of-period revenue settlements posted in 1989.

Earnings contribution on common stock decreased slightly to $104 million.

Electric operations' earnings rose 10 percent or $7 million. This was primarily due to increased kilowatt-hour sales volume and the reversal of accrued interest relating to previously settled coal royalty issues.

NERCO's net income was up 9 percent. However, a 1989 after-tax gain of $6 million relating to the public sale of NERCO's common stock, allocated to that segment, led to a earnings contribution decline of $5 million.

Pacific Telecom's earnings contribution also declined $5 million. The decrease is largely the result of increased interest expense associated with the acquisition of North-West Telecommunications.

For the year-to-date, PacifiCorp's revenues rose 2 percent to $2.8 billion.

NERCO and Pacific Telecom reported revenue increases of 16 percent, or $77 million, and 8 percent, or $39 million, respectively. NERCO's revenues rose as a result of increased sales volumes of coal, gas and oil. Telecommunications' revenue rose as a result of sales of capacity on the North Pacific fiber-optic cable and increased revenue from local telephone operations largely due to the acquisition of North-West and increased access lines.

Despite a 3 percent increase in total kilowatt-hour sales, retail price reductions resulted in electric operations posting a 1 percent, or $16 million revenue decrease due to scheduled price decreases. Electric operations' accelerated cost-containment efforts, including the early retirement program, are expected to improve that business' future financial performance.

The 22 percent decline of financial services' revenue is associated with that business' reduced size.

Earnings contribution on common stock for the year declined 2 percent, to $321 million. Telecommunications' earnings rose 11 percent, or $5 million, on the basis of the $12 million after-tax gain from the February 1990 sale of a cellular telephone subsidiary. Electric operations' results were adversely affected by retail price reductions. NERCO's contribution declined $4 million due to the allocation of a $6 million after-tax gain relating to NERCO's stock sale in August 1989 which reduced PacifiCorp's ownership of the subsidiary from 89 percent to 82 percent.

Year-to-date earnings per share rose 1 percent to $1.33 as the average number of common shares declined 2 percent from the same period a year ago as a result of shares held for use in the telecommunications' acquisitions.

At Sept. 30, 1990, PacifiCorp's actual consolidated shares outstanding were

248 million compared to 246 million in the same period last year.

PACIFICORP
And its Consolidated Subsidiaries
Portland, Oregon

THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30:	1990	1989
Earnings per Common Share (based on average number of shares outstanding):	$0.43	$0.43
Revenues: Electric Operations	$539,200,000	$530,600,000
Mining and Resource Development	201,100,000	174,500,000
Intercompany Coal Sales	(20,400,000)	(20,900,000)
Telecommunications	204,400,000	171,300,000
Financial Services	40,600,000	60,900,000
Total	$964,900,000	$916,400,000
Income from Operations (1):		
Electric Operations	$182,100,000	$183,400,000
Mining and Resource Development	40,400,000	35,100,000
Telecommunications	39,700,000	40,100,000
Financial Services	(1,600,000)	(1,800,000)
Total	$260,600,000	$256,800,000
Net Income	$109,400,000	$111,700,000
Earnings Contribution on Common Stock (after preferred dividend requirement) (2):		
Electric Operations	$80,500,000	$73,300,000
Mining and Resource Development	15,200,000	20,000,000
Telecommunications	14,600,000	19,600,000
Financial Services	(200,000)	(3,600,000)
Corporate	(5,800,000)	(2,800,000)
Total	$104,300,000	$106,500,000
Average Common Shares	243,925,000	245,962,000

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Litton's Data Systems division, Van Nuys, Calif., has won a $10.1 million contract from the U.S. Navy for production of 600 additional hand-held digital communications terminals and spare parts for the U.S. Marine Corps.

The book-size terminals, used to electronically format, display, transmit and receive alphanumeric messages and maps, are also used by the U.S. Army and Air

Force. More than 3,000 terminals have been produced by Litton for the three services. Production under this contract will continue at Data Systems division's facility in Colorado Springs, Colo.

The Marines use the terminals to provide information from forward observers and forward air control support teams back to direct air support centers. Both the Army and Air Force use the devices for similar forward area communications requirements.

Data Systems is a unit of Litton's Command, Control and Communications Systems group of divisions. It is a world leader in development and production of military electronic systems for command and control.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Serv-Tech Inc. (NASDAQ:STEC) reported third quarter 1990 net income of $645,000, an increase of 127 percent compared with $284,000, before extraordinary credits, reported for the third quarter of 1989.

Earnings per share were 15 cents for the third quarter 1990, more than double fully-taxed earnings per share of 7 cents in the third quarter 1989. Revenues were $9,023,000 in the third quarter 1990, up 42 percent from the $6,350,000 reported last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income increased 103 percent to $2,654,000, or 60 cents per share, compared with net income of $1,309,000, or 38 cents per share, before extraordinary credits, reported for the first three quarters of 1989.

Revenues were $30,086,000 for the first nine months of 1990, an increase of 31 percent compared with revenues of $22,918,000 for the 1989 period.

Including extraordinary credits for tax benefits resulting from the utilization of operating loss carryforwards, earnings per share for the three-and nine-month periods ending Sept. 30, 1989, were 11 cents and 58 centes, respectively.

There are no operating loss carryforwards available in 1990. The company's tax rate was 36 percent for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Richard W. Krajicek, chairman of the board, said that he was extremely pleased with the 1990 third quarter results -- the best third quarter in the company's history. ''Increased emphasis by our customers on high quality repairs has increased the scope of our jobs, leading to higher revenues and improved gross margins.

''Looking ahead, the level of committed work and present bid activity indicate strong demand for the company's services will continue well into 1991.''

Following are the unaudited operating results for the three- and nine-month periods ending Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989.

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PALO ALTO, CALIF. (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - The formation of WordMARC International Corp. was announced Wednesday by Jeffrey N. Weidler, president and chief executive officer of the new company.

WordMARC International is the successor company to MARC Software, manufacturer and distributor of WordMARC word processing software and related software products.

The new company will develop products for the multi-user, office automation market and continue manufacturing and distributing of WordMARC word processing software. ''The new organization will strengthen our ability to support our current customers,'' said Weidler. ''We will be able to offer our customers innovative products as well as enhance the capabilities of Composer+.''

Programmed Intelligence Corp. (PIC), Norcross, Ga., developers and distributors of Intelligent Query, a powerful, non-application-specific query and report writer, is the major shareholder in the new company. Rick Chitty, president of Program Intelligence, will serve as chairman of WordMARC International.

''We're extremely pleased to enter a new phase of WordMARC's growth with such a synergistic partner,'' said Weidler. ''We share similar strategic directions, and linking our two major products, we can offer our current and future customers true data base publishing capabilities as well as state-of-the-art word processing software.''

Drawing on its 10-year heritage in the minicomputer industry, WordMARC products are designed from the ground-up to support high-end distributed minicomputer applications running across multiple platforms and operation systems.

WordMARC brings the ability to integrate word processing, data base, spreadsheet and graphics information into a single document processing solution--independent of the hardware and operating environment.

WordMARC International Corp. develops, manufacturers and distributes WordMARC Composer+ word processing software and other related software products. WordMARC products are sold by direct sales force, by VARs and through OEM channels. There are more than 500,000 users worldwide in Fortune 1000 companies, scientific laboratories, government agencies and universities.

WordMARC International's corporate headquarters are located at 260 Sheridan Ave., Palo Alto, Calif. 94306, 415/326-1971.

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FREMONT, CA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Sensor Control Corp. (NASDAQ:SNCO) announced Wednesday that it has signed a letter of intent to purchase G.C. Industries.

G.C. Industries is a manufacturer of gas detection instruments, gas calibration equipment and sensors. G.C. Industries' revenues in 1990 will be approximately $850,000.

Terms of the Letter of Intent were not released except that the companies had targeted a closing date of on or before Jan. 8, 1991. The transaction is subject to both the completion of due diligence and a definitive acquisition agreement.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of McKesson Corp. at its meeting Wednesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share on the Common Stock payable Jan. 2, 1991 to stockholders of record on Dec. 3, 1990.

The Board also declared a regular quarterly dividend of 45 cents per share on the Cumulative Preferred Series A (Convertible) stock, payable Dec. 15, 1990 to stockholders of record on Dec. 3, 1990.

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FEDERAL WAY, WA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Nuclear Systems Inc., Federal Way, has announced its earnings for the third quarter of 1990.

Pacific Nuclear Systems, a nuclear services company specializing in the processing, handling and disposition of both low- and high-level nuclear waste reported net income of $510,000, or 11 cents per share, on revenues of $15.1 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the same period in fiscal 1989, the company recorded a loss of $207,000, or 4 cents per share, on

revenues of $11.7 million. Results for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, show a loss of $3.2 million, or 68 cents per share, on revenues of $36.9 million. For the same period in 1989, the company recorded a net profit of $313,000, or 6 cents per share, on revenues of $37.7 million.

According to David F. Jones, chairman: ''This quarter's results reflect the profitable performance of our Services and Engineering groups. Additionally, the recent delivery and acceptance by Westingouse of the initial certified TRUPACTJII container was a significant milestone.''

Pacific Nuclear Systems Inc. and its subsidiary companies (Nutech Inc.; NuPac Services Inc.; Nuclear Packaging Inc.; PN Services Inc.; and Alaron Corp.) provide a wide range of services to the nuclear industry. The company, founded in 1983 and headquartered in Federal Way, is traded in the NASDAQ - National Market System under the symbol PACN.

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SAN FERNANDO, CA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - SFE Technologies (NASDAQ:SFEM) Wednesday reported that it had entered into a letter of intent to sell the major operating assets of its West-Cap Arizona subsidiary.

William Kuehn, chairman, said, ''The letter of intent provides the basis for the sale of West-Cap's business to a privately held company headquartered in the Midwest.'' He added, ''The proposed agreement is subject to the satisfaction of a number of conditions including the purchaser arranging satisfactory financing.''

Kuehn indicated that both companies expect the transaction to close this year. However, Kuehn further said, ''The letter of intent is only the first step in this process,'' and that, ''no assurances could be given that the proposed transaction will close or that it will close according to the proposed schedule.''

Kuehn also stated that, ''SFE's board of directors has approved the agreement subject to the negotiation of a satisfactory definitive purchase agreement and the satisfaction of the conditions necessary to closing.''

Kuehn stated that, ''The sale of West-Cap Arizona is an essential element in the company's strategy to restructure itself in order to preserve its options and maximize its financial flexibility.'' Additionally, Kuehn said, ''The sale of West-Cap does not affect the company's previously disclosed plans with regard to its San Fernando Electric division.''

He said that, ''The company's investment bankers, Brockett Tamny & Co., are continuing their efforts to locate a buyer of its San Fernando division while providing ongoing assistance to the company in the West-Cap sale.''

SFE Technologies is a leading manufacturer of passive electronic components. These products include multilayer ceramic (MLC) capacitors, wound capacitors and magnetic components. The company also produces circuit assemblies featuring surface mount technology. SFE Technologies has manufacturing facilities in San Fernando; Tucson, Ariz.; Concord, N.C.; and Nogales, Sonora, Mexico.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - ARIX Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ARIX) Wednesday announced an agreement with Informix Software Inc. to market the complete suite of Informix products, including the Wingz graphical spreadsheet on ARIX's symmetric multi-processor computer systems.

The Wingz port to ARIX's multiuser platform, with its support of X-Window terminal networks, addresses commercial needs for interconnected data management solutions and desktop tools, at a fraction of the cost of PC networks.

Wingz is a graphical spreadsheet that includes a powerful graphical programming language called HyperScript. With HyperScript, users can create customized applications for accessing data from an Informix SQL-based database. HyperScript is a complete development environment for end users, developers, and independent software vendors.

The Wingz port also includes Wingz-DataLink, a technology that will let users access a local or remote Informix SQL-based database via Wingz' graphical environment.

Wingz-DataLink will enable ARIX platforms to be tied into an enterprise-wide information systems network using SQL as the standard language for information retrieval. Even users with no previous SQL experience will be able to retrieve information from the corporate database by using simple point-and-click options.

Additionally, both companies announced plans to begin joint marketing activities. The partners plan training programs and sales promotions designed to encourage cooperation between sales organizations.

At UNIX Expo this year (booth no. 913) ARIX will display Informix's Corcoran

Gallery image processing demonstration on an ARIX X-Windows network, as well as a demonstration of the Wingz product.

ARIX Computer Corp. designs, manufactures, and markets high-performance UNIX-based symmetric multi-processor computer systems. ARIX has an installed base of more than 8,500 systems worldwide.

Informix Software Inc., is a leading supplier of information management software providing solutions from the database through the desktop. Informix products include powerful distributed database management systems, robust application development tools, and graphical and character-based productivity software for delivering information to every significant desktop platform.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Computer Systems Wednesday announced that preliminary results of stockholder voting at its Oct. 26 annual meeting state that a dissident ASK stockholder, James P. Lennane, failed by a wide margin in his attempt to gain one seat on ASK's board of directors.

Lennane had originally tried to gain control of ASK's five-seat board. According to the preliminary tally provided by the independent inspector of elections, Lennane received less than four percent of the voted shares that he did not own.

The directors re-elected to ASK's board include Sandra L. Kurtzig, chairman, president and chief executive officer; Paul Ely, partner, Alpha Partners; Larry Sonsini, attorney-at-law, Wilson, Sonsini, Goodrich & Rosati; Thomas Unterberg, managing director, Unterberg Harris DeSantis; Robert Waterman, president, Waterman & Miller Inc.

''We appreciate the strong support our stockholders have shown for our board of directors and for our long-term strategy,'' stated Kurtzig. ''We are dedicated to making our stockholders' confidence pay off.''

According to Vincent DiCosta, vice president of the proxy solicitation firm D.F. King & Co., ''It's very unusual for a stockholder owning nearly 10 percent of a company's stock to fail to receive the additional shareholder

support required for one board seat.
 To my knowledge, this is the first time that this has occurred in a cumulative voting situation.''

According to the preliminary tally, the three proposals put forward by the company to increase the shares reserved in the Incentive Stock Option Plan, to adopt the 1990 Employee Stock Purchase Plan and to appoint Ernst & Young as independent accountants, received stockholder approval.

A proposal put forward by the dissident stockholder group requiring the board to formulate a strategic business plan, failed to be approved.

Definitive results of stockholder voting are expected to be announced by Nov. 8, 1990.

ASK Computer Systems is a leading supplier of management information systems, relational databases and application development tools. It recently completed its tender offer for Ingres Corp. of Alameda. ASK also completed a $60 million equity investment in the company by EDS Corp. of Dallas, and Hewlett-Packard of Palo Alto, representing 30 percent of ASK's outstanding shares.

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   Karen Marvin, 415/335-5527

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - LIVE Entertainment Inc. (NYSE:LVE) announced Wednesday that it has entered into a formal agreement with Vestron Inc. (NYSE:VV) to acquire substantially all of Vestron's assets and liabilities in exchange for a package of LIVE equity securities, according to Wayne H. Patterson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer for the company.

The agreement provides for the holders of Vestron's $115 million of subordinated debt to receive LIVE convertible preferred stock with a liquidation value of $21 million, plus their unpaid cash interest payment due Sept. 1, 1990, and contingent rights representing the right to receive future payments in LIVE common stock or cash if net revenues realized by LIVE from the exploitation of Vestron's program rights exceed certain levels.

Holders of Vestron's common stock will receive 10 percent of the contingent rights. All Vestron royalty and joint venture obligations, and substantially all Vestron trade creditor obligations, will be assumed by LIVE in full.

Vestron will file a ''consensual'' pre-negotiated Chapter 11 bankruptcy this week. A confirmed plan of reorganization is a condition to completion of the

transaction. The largest holders of Vestron's subordinated debt have agreed to support the agreement in the bankruptcy court.

LIVE Home Video Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of LIVE Entertainment, will enter into an agreement to distribute Vestron programming pending the confirmation of a bankruptcy plan of reorganization and the consummation of the asset sale agreement, both anticipated in early 1991.

Vestron Inc., with headquarters in Stamford, Conn., produces, acquires and distributes home video. It has a home video catalog of approximately 1,200 titles, including such hits as ''Dirty Dancing'' and ''Platoon,'' and such acclaimed special interest titles as the ''National Geographic'' series.

LIVE Entertainment is a diversified entertainment software supplier, distributor and retailer, with headquarters in Los Angeles and is the parent company of Los Angeles-based home video supplier LIVE Home Video Inc., with a catalog of 1,300 titles; Minneapolis-based rackjobber Lieberman Enterprises Inc.; the LIVE Specialty Retail Group, with headquarters in Milford, Mass., which includes Strawberries Records, Tapes & CDs and the Waxie Maxie music chain; and indirect subsidiary VCL/Carolco Communications GmbH, a home video distributor based in Munich, Germany.

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ANAHEIM, CALIF. (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - VERTEQ Inc. Wednesday announced the sale of its Quartz Division to Heraeus Amersil Inc. of Duluth, Ga., a worldwide supplier and fabricator of quartz.

With the sale, Heraeus Amersil obtains one of the largest U.S. fabricators of quartz products for the semiconductor industry. The sale includes the Quartz Division's facilities in Tempe, Ariz.; Fairfield, N.J.; Dallas; Fremont, Calif.; Brea, Calif.; and one facility in Munich, West Germany.

VERTEQ Process Systems Division continues to have manufacturing facilities in Anaheim and Rochester, N.Y.

''This sale will enable VERTEQ to build on the success of its rapidly growing Process Systems Division, which produces cleaning and drying equipment used in semiconductor wafer production,'' said Keith Norby, chairman and chief executive officer of VERTEQ.

''We are focusing our resources on the continued development and refinement of our existing product line, as well as upgrading manufacturing facilities and expanding marketing efforts in the U.S., Asia and Europe.''

VERTEQ already has made substantial investments in the Process Systems Division's quality programs and engineering and manufacturing capabilities in the last year. VERTEQ added a Class 10 clean room and a management information system, which integrates engineering, manufacturing and other company operations.

VERTEQ is a leading worldwide manufacturer of advanced rinser/dryers, megasonic and Sunburst cleaning systems, IPA Vapor Drying equipment and other automatic wet processing equipment.

VERTEQ is located at 1432 S. Allec St., Anaheim, Calif. 92803; phone 714/956-7330.

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Roseanne Reinecke, 714/641-0111

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Go-Video (AMEX:VCR), the innovative consumer electronics company that introduced the world's first dual-deck video cassette recorder, VCR-2, now offers consumers the prospect of a whole new generation of exciting video applications with the introduction of a revolutionary wireless video system, Y.RLS.

Go-Video is the master licensee of a patented technology which, among other applications, eliminates the need for wired interconnection between VCRs or cable boxes and remote multiple television receivers.

''Once again, an American company, Go-Video, is responding to the consumer marketplace by offering simple-to-install, simple-to-operate technology,'' said R. Terren Dunlap, chief executive officer of Go-Video.

''Wireless audio transmission, such as the Walkie-Talkie, has been available to consumers for years, but never wireless video. With Y.RLS, you can now watch your favorite movie upstairs or out by the pool without having to move or wire your VCR.

''Thanks to Go-Video's technological innovation, consumers soon will be able to purchase a vast array of dazzling new video and entertainment products, as well as exciting applications for current ones, beyond their wildest imagination.''

Unique applications for Go-Video's wireless technology will be demonstrated on national television on PREVIEW's ''Best of What's New'' segment, airing

tonight on CBS. Check local listing for time. In New York, the show will be broadcast on Thursday.

Go-Video acquired the master license from the inventor who was responsible for initiating the change of the FCC laws which opened the market for wireless video technology for home use.

The company's experience in the video field enabled it to expand the technology to virtually any video device, from home VCRs to security systems. With Y.RLS, Go-Video expects to make significant inroads in the market through licensing, production and sales of this technology.

Go-Video is located at 14455 N. Hayden Rd., Suite 219, Scottsdale, Ariz. 85260
 602/998-3400.

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    Missy Lagomarsino, 602/998-3154.

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SAUSALITO, CA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - The Multimedia Division of Autodesk Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ACAD) Wednesday announced that Autodesk 3D Studio, a professional-quality 3-D modeling, rendering and animation software package for 386/486-based personal computers, is now available in North America through the company's Professional Multimedia Reseller channel.

Setting a new price/performance standard at $2,995, Autodesk 3D Studio integrates all the tools professionals need to do 3D modeling and animation under a single user interface, including close links to other Autodesk products like AutoCAD, Autodesk Animator, Autodesk Animator Clips and CA Lab.

Software packages with comparable features cost far more and often require dedicated workstations or very expensive systems.

Thanks to the early acceptance of Autodesk 3D Studio, the company's new Professional Multimedia Reseller channel -- the exclusive source for Autodesk's new professional-level multimedia products -- has already signed up 225 resellers since its birth in August, and expects to ink another 75 by year's end.

Drawn from a select group of audio/visual, CAD and professional PC graphics dealerships, the resellers in this channel will marry computer and video technologies, thereby saving customers time and money.

Autodesk 3D Studio significantly reduces the cost of professional animation and high-quality still image production, making these capabilities widely available for corporate presentations, broadcasting, education, training and

industrial design.

Autodesk 3D Studio uses the Autodesk Device Interface (ADI), an open, de facto standard device driver format which is supported by more than 300 computer peripherals and software packages. ADI is being extended to support video and other multimedia peripherals.

Autodesk Inc. develops, markets and supports a family of computer-aided design engineering and animation software products for desktop computers and workstations. For more information call Autodesk toll-free at 800-879-4A3D -- 800/879-4233 or GO ADESK on CompuServe.

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Kathleen Doney, 415/491-8803
or
Cunningham Communications Inc., Santa Clara
Lisa Goldman or Mary Looram, 408/982-0400.

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DENVER (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Tele-Communications Inc. Wednesday announced that its board of directors, at a recent meeting, has appointed Gerald Sokol to the position of assistant treasurer.

Sokol has been with the company for three years where he has most recently been responsible for borrowing arrangements.

Bernard Schotters, vice president - finance, said ''Jerry Sokol has increasingly taken on responsibilities for our borrowing facilities and relationships. This is recognition of his very material contributions and performance.''

Sokol is a native of the Detroit area, a graduate of Oakland University in Michigan and has recently completed his MBA in finance at the University of Colorado.

Tele-Communications Inc. is traded over-the-counter with Class A common stock and Class B common stock trading separately under symbols of TCOMA and TCOMB, respectively. The company's 11-1/8 percent senior subordinated debentures, 7 percent convertible subordinated debentures, and TCI Rights are traded in the over-the-counter markets, the latter two under the symbols of TCOMH and TCOMR, respectively.

CONTACT: Tele-Communications Inc., Denver
Bernard Schotters, 303/721-5500.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Grand Valley Gas Co. (OTC:GVGC) Wednesday announced the execution of a Gas Supply Management Agreement with BC Gas Inc. (ToSE:BCG.), the largest natural gas distribution utility located in western Canada.

Under the agreement, Grand Valley is the authorized agent of BC Gas for the purchase of up to 50,000 MMBTU per day of United States sourced gas supplies for export to BC Gas. This quantity represents a potential increase in Grand Valley's sales volumes of approximately 20 percent above sales during fiscal 1990. The gas purchases will commence Nov. 1, 1991, and extend for an initial term of five years.

This unique opportunity will provide Rocky Mountain natural gas producers with access to the attractive western Canadian gas marketplace and expands Grand Valley's Canadian gas marketing activities.

Grand Valley Gas Co. is engaged in natural gas gathering and marketing services throughout the western United States and Canada. Grand Valley is one of the largest independent marketers of natural gas in the western region, providing competitive and reliable gas supplies to select utility and industrial markets.

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Deanna F. Christensen, 801/532-7526.

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EASTON, PA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - SI Handling Systems Inc. of Easton, Pa., traded on the Additional Over-the-Counter (NASDAQ) Exchange under the trading symbol ''SIHS'' has entered into an agreement with Robotrac Inc. of Addison, Ill., whereby SI Handling will manufacture and sell the Robotrac systems, products and services.

CONTACT: SI Handling Systems Inc., Easton
Leonard S. Yurkovic, president and CEO, 215/252-7321

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - DocuFile Inc. (NASDAQ/USM:STPH.F; PSE:STP.P), developer of an optical disk filing system designed to replace cumbersome ''hard-copy'' archiving, has successfully completed its funding through an initial public offering.

DocuFile's stock will be traded under the name of holding company Standard

Platforms Holdings PLC.

Proceeds from the IPO, which raised just under $4 million, will be used to expand the company's U.S. operations. Sales in the United Kingdom yielded a profitable 1990 fiscal year for the organization.

The DocuFile system, called ''DataSafe,'' provides a number of advantages over traditional document processing methods, including rapid access to any single document and concurrent access by multiple users to the same files.

The system can be customized to address a wide variety of applications, enhancing productivity by allowing users to develop application programs that automate their particular document processing procedures.

DocuFile's initial penetration of the image processing market, projected to reach $2.6 billion by 1993, targets health care facilities and original equipment manufacturers.

For the OEM, DataSafe offers a turnkey data management system that readily accommodates the entire spectrum of mass storage requirements. The system's UNIX-based software, fast becoming a standard in the U.S. government, allows it to be easily customized to meet the high-volume data processing needs of government agencies.

The DataSafe system is also of particular interest to cost-conscious health care facilities because of its ability to replace independent medical records copying services with a lucrative ''in-house'' correspondence operation. For a 200-bed hospital, annual revenues can reach $70,000. In addition, direct savings on storage and retrieval expenses are calculated at $250,000 over a 10-year period.

Nine successful DataSafe installations in the United Kingdom include the U.K. Ministry of Defense, Interlink, and Securicor, the United Kingdom's largest overnight parcel delivery service.

Installations at Specialty Medical Clinic, San Diego, and the Pasadena Police Department are pending.

DataSafe's modular configuration makes the system flexible and upgradeable. File servers can be built from 16 GBytes to 1 Terabyte in modules of 16 GBytes. The system's high-performance UNIX software package runs on a variety of hardware platforms from a PC386 running SCO UNIX at the low end, through a choice of UNIX workstations.

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John R. Silseth, 612/338-7721
or
Rickett & Co., London
Kelly Fritz, 071-253-7174

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - TOTAL Energold Corp. (NASDAQ:TGDGF, ToSE:TDG.) reported its results from group operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30.

Net sales for the period ended Sept. 30, including $2 million in precious metals, were $28.8 million, up from $23.7 million in the previous year. Cost of sales increased to $10.2 million from $7.7 million in the comparative period in 1989.

Operating earnings improved to $18.6 million from $16 million in 1989. The loss for the nine-month period was $4.6 million, or 14 cents per share, compared with $4 million, or 15 cents per share, for the first nine months of 1989.

TOTAL Energold's third quarter operating earnings of $7.3 million was a reflection of strong oil prices and the commencement of gold production. The loss for the period of $1.6 million, or 5 cents per share, included over $4 million in depreciation and depletion.

Funds generated from operations were $9.9 million, which was lower than the $10.7 million recorded in the comparative period in 1989.

In the nine months ended Sept. 30, the company's energy subsidiary, Ranchmen's Resources Ltd., reported a slight decline in oil production from 4,394 barrels of oil per day in 1989 to 4,223 in 1990, but an increase in gas production from 19.2 million cubic feet per day in 1989 to 22.2 million.

On June 22 the company acquired 6 million shares of Plexus Resources Corp. (51 percent) and consolidated its results from that period on. Plexus, located in Salt Lake City, Utah, has a 24.01 percent working interest and a 2.45 percent royalty interest in the Denton-Rawhide mine, which commenced production earlier this year. Projected production for the Denton-Rawhide is expected to exceed 80,000 ounces of gold and 399,000 ounces of silver a year.

TOTAL Energold Corp. is engaged in mineral exploration in Canada and the Western United States, and in oil and gas exploration and production in Canada through Ranchmen's Resources Ltd., a 56 percent owned subsidiary of TOTAL Energold.

TOTAL Compagnie Francaise des Petroles, one of the world's largest producers

and marketers of energy, holds 74 percent of TOTAL Energold's common shares.

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TORONTO (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - NHI Nelson Holdings International Ltd. (ASE/ToSE/VcSE:NNH) (the ''company'') announced Wednesday that its board of directors has decided at this time not to declare and pay the discretionary dividend due Oct. 31, 1990, on the company's First Preference Shares, Series 1 (ToSE:NNH.A) (the ''Preference Shares'').

The Preference Shares carry a fixed cumulative preferential dividend entitlement of $0.2875 (CDN DLRS) per share per annum payable at the discretion of the board of directors on Oct. 31 of each year. In accordance with the terms of the Preference Shares, all unpaid dividends will be accrued for payment at such time as dividends are declared on the Preference Shares.

NHI Nelson Holdings International Ltd. is the holding company for the Nelson Entertainment Group and for 69 percent owned Nelson Vending Technology Limited.

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Peter Graves, 213/285-6150

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Storebrand America Inc. and Belvedere Corp. (ASE:BLV) announced Wednesday that Storebrand and the special committee of Belvedere's board of directors were unable to agree on mutually satisfactory terms with respect to Storebrand America's previously announced offer to merge its wholly owned subsidiary Christiania Holding Co. with Belvedere Corp. in exchange for additional Belvedere common stock and that discussions on such offer have terminated.

Storebrand, which currently owns 49.9 percent of Belvedere, and Belvedere stated that they intend to continue to explore methods by which the companies can work together.

Belvedere's principal subsidiary, Belvedere America Reinsurance Co. is a property-casualty reinsurer, as is Christiania's principal subsidiary, Christiania General Insurance Co.

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Robert M. Huggins, 212/240-3800
or
Storebrand America Inc.

Lloyd C. Briggs, 914/333-9200

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#90304b0267 10/31/1990 ~Business Wire
KENT, WA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Sportswear Inc. (NASDAQ: SSPW) Wednesday announced record net sales for the first nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $61.3 million compared to net sales for the comparable 1989 period of $58.4 million.

The year to date sales increase resulted from continued strength in sales to the company's largest customer, and the success of two of its licensed products. The company's three largest customers continue to be Wal-Mart, Target and K mart.

Net sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $14.4 million compared to $16.9 million the comparable 1989 quarter. The company's operating results were approximately break even for the third quarter of 1990 compared to net income of approximately $0.9 million for the comparable 1989 quarter. The third quarter 1990 results were impacted by slower consumer spending and retail inventory reductions, resulting in order cancellations and delivery postponements by several customers. These factors, coupled with licensed products offered by some of its competitors earlier in the year, resulted in 1990 year to date net income and earnings per share of $2.2 million and $0.39, respectively, being below comparable 1989 results of $3.7 million and $0.81, respectively.

The company has reduced inventories by 12 percent from June 30, 1990, levels. At Sept. 30, 1990, the company's working capital was $22.0 million and stockholders' equity amounted to $23.5 million.

Sun Sportswear is one of the nation's largest screen-printers of casual sportswear for the mass merchandising segment.

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Deborah K. Skiles, 206/251-3565

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Norcen Energy Resources Ltd. (ASE:NCN) announced Wednesday that, for the third quarter of 1990, cash generated from operations increased 42 percent and earnings rose 32 percent compared with the third quarter of 1989.

Cash generated in the current quarter totalled $91.4 million, up from $64.3 million. Earnings amounted to $33 million compared with $25 million in the same period a year ago.

On a fully diluted per-share basis, cash generated was $1.07 compared with 87 cents per ordinary share and earnings were 40 cents, up from 34 cents per share.

The significant improvement in third-quarter performance reflected strong production gains for both oil and gas as well as the effects of the dramatic rise in crude oil prices during the latter part of the quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, cash generated totalled $249.3 million, 27 percent higher than for the same period of 1989.

Earnings for the nine months were $83.8 million, essentially unchanged from $83.4 million a year earlier. On a fully diluted per-share basis, earnings were $1.02 compared with $1.13 per ordinary share.

Production of crude oil and natural gas liquids in the quarter averaged 57,000 barrels per day, up 22 percent from 46,600 barrels per day in the corresponding quarter a year ago. Natural gas production at 217.3 million cubic feet per day was up 24 percent.

These significant production gains reflected the acquisition of oil and gas producing properties from Westmin Resources Ltd. late in 1989 and increased crude oil production from the company's Australian operations.

During the quarter, Norcen participated in 61 working interest wells which resulted in 31 gross, or 3.2 net, oil wells and 13 gross, or 5.7 net, gas wells in Canada and 2 gross, or 0.2 net, gas wells in the United States.

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Ron Burrows, 403/231-0107

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - In September Energex arranged the terms and assisted in the due diligence and negotiations of a US$13 million acquisition of U.S. producing oil and gas properties on behalf of a London-based company (the ''Buyer'').

In consideration for the services rendered, Energex is finalizing the terms of an option agreement which will grant to Energex an option to buy a one-third interest in the acquired properties on the same terms and conditions that the Buyer acquired the properties. The option will extend for six months from the final closing which is anticipated to occur between mid-November and the end of December.

The properties consist of interests in approximately 150 wells located

offshore in the Gulf of Mexico and onshore in Oklahoma and Kansas. The offshore properties have flow rates which are sufficiently high to provide substantial increases in cash flow in the short term should gas prices increase while the onshore properties have a long reserve life and will, therefore, benefit from longer term increases in gas and oil prices.

In addition to earning the option, Energex has agreed to manage the properties for the Buyer on a fee basis.

Financing for the acquisition will need to be arranged. It is currently expected that the acquisition funds will be a combination of monies realized by the disposition of other assets, production related debt and a private placement of equity.

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or
R. Dean Graves, 713/951-9373 (Houston)

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KANSAS CITY, MO (OCT. 90) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint will begin providing communications relay service throughout the state of Colorado on Nov. 1.

Known as Relay Colorado, the service will allow Colorado residents who are hearing- or speech-impaired or deaf to communicate over the telephone to hearing parties.

The Colorado Commission for Disabled Telephone Users awarded Sprint Services, a unit of US Sprint, the relay contract earlier this year.

''Deaf people in Colorado have been eagerly looking forward to this improvement in relay services, and they finally will have access to the telephone system which is equal to that of hearing persons,'' said Arnold H. Cook, chairman for the Commission for Disabled Telephone Users.

''This is the result of two years of hard work by legislators, the Commission and many deaf people,'' Cook continued.

Sprint Services will route all Relay Colorado calls through its Austin, Texas, relay center, which is fully operational 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. There will be no restrictions on the type, length or number of calls placed.

To communicate with the center, customers who are hearing- or speech- impaired or deaf will use a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) to type their messages. A specially trained customer relay agent will view the message typed into the TDD system and then communicate it verbally to the hearing

party.

The agent will then listen to the verbal response, convert it into written form, and relay it back through the TDD system.

Relay Colorado calls may be initiated by either TDD or voice users. The toll-free access numbers are: 1-800-659-2656 (TDD) and 1-800-659-3656 (voice).

''We are committed to providing Colorado residents with the highest quality of service possible,'' said Dan Evanoff, vice president and general manager of Sprint Services. ''This improved service gives people who are hearing impaired or speech impaired the assurance that they will always have complete access to the telephone at any time, without having to wait for an available operator.''

Sprint Services is based in Overland Park, Kan., which is located in metropolitan Kansas City. The company provides a variety of voice services to a rapidly growing market. Another division of Sprint Services, Sprint Gateways, offers a full line of products in the 900 pay-per-call industry by using US Sprint's all-digital, fiber-optic network.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services over the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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Robin Carlson, 703/689-5664; after 6 p.m. 703/573-8364
Gary Angerhofer, State of Colorado, 303/866-3227

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SAN ANTONIO (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - San Antonio-based Trylox Environmental Corp. (VcSE:TYV), through its wholly owned subsidiary, Medassure of South Texas Inc., has broken ground for its U.S. $2.2 million San Antonio infectious waste treatment facility.

Permitted by the Texas Department of Health permit 2133, the San Antonio facility will consist of a Cleaver Brooks Model SH 1280/72ER Pyrolysis Incineration System together with Anderson 2000 Wet Scrubber with Venturi, Packed Tower and Aerosol Mist Collection Systems. Complete service for San Antonio, the surrounding communities and southern Texas will begin in late March 1991.

The U.S. 1990 Clean Air Act will result in on-site disposal of infectious waste by health care providers becoming difficult and expensive. The San

Antonio facility will meet the increasing demands for environmentally responsible disposal of infectious waste and is designed to meet and/or exceed all state and federal regulations.

Trylox Environmental Corp. is a San Antonio-based company specializing in environmentally responsible disposal, transportation and tracking of biomedical waste.

CONTACT: Trylox Environmental Corp.
Edward Topham, 602/264-0018

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CHICAGO (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Resources Inc. (NASDAQ:IRIC) Wednesday announced record revenues for the third quarter, the completion of the anticipated spin-off of its VideOcart subsidiary and the securing of a bank credit agreement allowing borrowings of up to $25 million.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales totaled $42.0 million, a 21.2 percent increase over the third quarter of 1989. Earnings for the quarter from continuing operations increased to $618,000, or 3 cents per share, compared to $543,000, or 3 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

Included in the third quarter 1990 results was a previously announced one-time additional tax expense of $1.5 million related to the sale and leaseback of the company's headquarters facility. Excluding this one-time charge, earnings from continuing operations would have been $2.2 million for the third quarter, or 11 cents per share.

As a result of the above and the previously announced one-time charge related to the VideOcart spin-off which totaled $580,000, equivalent to 3 cents per share, the company reported net earnings for the quarter of $38,000 compared to the prior year third quarter earnings of $273,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues totaled $120.6 million, up 20.8 percent over 1989, while earnings were $2.1 million, compared to a loss of $6.7 million for the like period last year.

Results for InfoScan were particularly strong for the quarter, with sales increasing 23.5 percent compared to the like quarter a year ago. During the quarter, a number of major consumer packaged goods companies signed multiyear agreements converting to InfoScan and other IRI products from their former suppliers.

The VideOcart spin-off was completed as of the close of business on Oct. 31, 1990 and was made to stockholders of record as of the close of business on Oct. 19, 1990. IRI distributed 8,863,340 shares of VideOcart common stock to

such stockholders on the basis of one share of VideOcart common stock for every two shares of IRI common stock held as of the record date.

As previously announced, IRI has received from the Internal Revenue Service a ruling to the effect that, among other things, the receipt of shares of VideOcart common stock by stockholders of IRI will be tax free. VideOcart shares will trade on NASDAQ under the trading symbol VCRT. Commencing Nov. 6, 1990, VideOcart shares will be included on the National Market List of NASDAQ.

Fulgoni noted that while the VideOcart spin-off represents an exciting opportunity for shareholders, it did dilute corporate resources. ''With the spin-off we are now able to focus our full attention on building our core information and software businesses,'' he said.

Chicago-based Information Resources Inc. provides a variety of information and computer decision support services.

CONTACT: Information Resources Inc., Chicago
Gian Fulgoni, James Andress, 312/726-1221

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TORRANCE, CALIF. (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Scott Travis has been promoted to the newly created position of general manager, aluminum division, for International Light Metals of Torrance, an integrated mill for aluminum and titanium products.

Travis' appointment was announced by Gene Gambill, president.

Travis, a 1965 graduate of Ohio State University, has over 25 years' experience in the metalworking industry with 12 years in quality assurance. Prior to his appointment Travis served ILM as quality assurance manager and was formerly division manager for Midland Brake Co. of Tulsa, Okla.

International Light Metals has over 45 years of extrusion and forging production experience and is a joint venture of Martin Marietta and NKK.

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KIRKLAND, WASH. (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: MCAWA), today reported that it achieved record levels of revenue and cash flow in the third quarter of 1990.

In the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 116 percent to $280.5 million from $129.7 million for the third quarter of 1989.

During the quarter, the number of cellular subscribers in markets McCaw owns or has the right to acquire a controlling interest combined with subscribers in LIN's markets, increased to 1,047,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, up 57 percent from 668,000 in the 1989 third quarter.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, income from operations was $26.4 million vs. a loss from operations of $32.5 million in the prior-year period. The third quarter net loss was $80.0 million, an increase compared to the $44.9 million net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Results for the third quarter as compared to the quarter a year ago were primarily affected by increased interest expense associated with McCaw's acquisition of a 52 percent interest in LIN Broadcasting and the consolidation for accounting purposes of LIN.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $711.1 million, compared to a net loss of $230.1 million for the first nine months of 1989. Results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, include a non-recurring gain of approximately $1.2 billion during the first quarter from the sale of certain of the company's southeast cellular operations to Contel Cellular Inc. and the consolidation for accounting purposes of LIN, which is 52 percent owned by McCaw, as of March 5, 1990.

McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. is the nation's leading cellular company, with ownership positions in over 100 markets across the country, representing 106 million potential customers, or ''pops.'' Approximately 80 percent of the ''pops'' of McCaw and of LIN Broadcasting Corp., which is 52 percent owned by McCaw, are in the nation's 30 most populous markets and their contiguous service areas. McCaw Cellular operates major regional systems in California, Florida, Texas, the Pacific Northwest, the Midwest, the Rocky Mountain states and the Northeast, currently offering service primarily under the name Cellular One. LIN Broadcasting holds significant interests in cellular systems in New York, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Dallas and Houston, and operates seven network-affiliated television stations. McCaw also is the nation's sixth largest paging service provider.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - LIN Broadcasting Corp. (NASDAQ:LINB) today reported record net revenues and cash flow from its cellular operations for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net revenues for the third quarter 1990 attributable to LIN's proportionate cellular operations were $82.7 million, up 74 percent, compared to $47.6 million in the third quarter of 1989. Cash flow (income from operations before depreciation and amortization) for the third quarter of 1990 attributable to LIN's proportionate interests in cellular telephone operations grew to $46.3 million, up 81 percent, compared to $25.6 million in the same quarter a year ago. (See following Supplemental Financial Data). As described further below, the increases in net revenues and cash flow in the third quarter of 1990 were due, in part, to the completion of the Metromedia transactions on Aug. 10, 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the number of cellular subscribers in the five systems in which LIN has an interest grew to 513,000 vs. 328,000 subscribers at the end of the third quarter of 1989.

Net revenues for the third quarter attributable to LIN's seven broadcast television stations and its specialty publishing business were $36.1 million compared to $38.6 million in the third quarter of 1989. Cash flow attributable to LIN's media operations including broadcasting and specialty publishing operations was $15.4 million compared to $18.5 million in the 1989 third quarter. Approximately one-half of this decrease was due to lower cash flow from the specialty publishing business.

For the third quarter, LIN reported a loss of $5.8 million, or 11 cents per share, compared to net income of $24.6 million, or 46 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

The third quarter consolidated statements of operations reflect the acquisition by LIN of an approximately 48 percent interest in the New York City non-wireline cellular system from the Metromedia Co. and other minority interest holders, and the consolidation for accounting purposes of that system's financial results. They also reflect LIN's sale to Metromedia of a 1.01 percent interest in the Philadelphia non-wireline system for a gain of $15.4 million. The Philadelphia sale reduced LIN's ownership position in that system to 49.99 percent and the results of that system attributable to LIN are now reported as equity in income of unconsolidated cellular affiliates.

LIN Broadcasting Corp. is engaged in cellular telephone operations, television broadcasting and specialty publishing. LIN has major ownership interests in cellular telephone systems serving the metropolitan areas of New York City, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston, owns and operates seven network-affiliated television stations, and publishes advertiser supported hardcover magazines placed in the rooms of distinquished hotels in 37 metropolitan areas. McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. owns approximately 52 percent of LIN.

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SAN DIEGO (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - ISIS Pharmaceuticals and Rhone-Poulenc S.A. Wednesday announced that they have signed a cooperative research agreement to discover and develop novel antisense oligonucleotides as potential human therapeutic products.

The terms of the agreement call for the companies to jointly pursue a mutually selected molecular disease target.

The cooperative research program, whose activities will be directed by a joint ISIS-Rhone-Poulenc management team, will focus on creating antisense oligonucleotides to be assigned with a number of human cancers.

It is anticipated that novel antisense oligonucleotides, targeted to the message of an oncogene protein, may inhibit expression of the protein, and thereby result in novel antisense therapies.

ISIS will receive research funding, milestone payments, domestic co-development rights and a royalty on discovered product sales. Rhone-Poulenc will hold exclusive license for therapeutic applications for all antisense compounds directed to the inhibition of the oncogene products of proteins discovered during the course of this agreement.

A Rhone-Poulenc visiting scientist will join the ISIS scientific staff. Financial terms of the cooperative research program have not been disclosed.

Professor Claude Helene, director of the Laboratorie de Biophysique at the Museum National d'Histoire Naturelle (associated with INSERM and CNRS) and scientific adviser of Rhone-Poulenc, said: ''The agreement with ISIS allows Rhone-Poulenc to be associated with a dynamic young firm in a very promising field, and it creates the conditions of a very good synergy in the research for novel antitumoral substances.'' Helene will serve as chairman of the ISIS-Rhone-Poulenc Joint Research Management Committee.

Located in northern San Diego County, ISIS Pharmaceuticals is a pharmaceutical company engaged in the discovery, development and marketing of novel human therapeutic products based on antisense oligonucleotides.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. Wednesday announced a new organizational structure to foster the company's focu on global data networking.

Two product divisions, the Network Adapter Division (NAD) and the Network Systems Division (NSD), representing the company's components and systems businesses, respectively, have been created. These divisions are supported by the existing corporate and field operations groups.

Andy Verhalen, formerly vice president and general manager of the Transmission Systems Division, was named vice president and general manager of NAD, which is chartered to maintain and capitalize on 3Com's leadership position in the network adapter market. Verhalen also will join the company's executive committee.

The company's workgroup and enterprise systems divisions have been consolidated to form NSD. As a founder of the LAN industry and the key architect of the company's internetworking product strategy, Eric Benhamou, 3Com president and chief executive officer, will manage this division directly. NSD will be dedicated to enhancing the company's position in the enterprise-wide network systems business and maintaining 3Com's position in the workgroup systems business.

John Hart, formerly vice president, engineering at Vitalink Communications Corp. and recently recruited to be 3Com's vice president and chief technical officer, also joins the company's executive committee. Hart will preserve coherence among the research and development activities undertaken by NAD and NSD.

Additionally, the company announced Leslie G. Denend, executive vice president product operations, has resigned to pursue other career opportunities.

3Com Corp. is a leading independent gobal networking company, providing multivendor connectivity that spans organizations and businesses worldwide. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports networking products and systems based on industry standards and open systems architecture.

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AMHERST, NY (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Mark IV Industries, Inc. (NYSE: IV), Wednesday announced that terms have been agreed upon for the acquisition of Klark-Teknik PLC (K-T), a leading U.K.-based manufacturer and distributor of specialized electronic products for the professional audio and live entertainment markets, in a cash tender offer valued at approximately $22.4 million.

The terms include an option for Mark IV to purchase 80 percent of Klark-Teknik's stock, which is currently held by management.

Klark-Teknik, with sales of $20.7 million for its fiscal year ended July 31, 1990, is a world leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of professional audio signal processing systems and sound mixing consoles used in radio, film and recording studios, as well as high-quality public address systems used in live events, theaters, and conference centers. Additionally, K-T distributes professional lighting products used in live entertainment.

Sal H. Alfiero, chairman and chief executive officer of Mark IV said, ''The acquisition of Klark-Teknik is consistent with Mark IV's stated mission to build our core businesses through internal development and strategic acquisitions. This company is a particularly good fit with the existing businesses in our audio group because it increases Mark IV Audio's presence in the professional broadcast and recording studio market and provides an entry into the mid- to high-value mixer and audio signal processing markets -- areas where we do not presently compete. In addition, the acquisition of Klark-Teknik enhances the Mark IV Audio group's European manufacturing capability in combination with Dynacord, a German firm acquired in February of this year.''

Klark-Teknik is headquartered in Kidderminster, England, with facilities in Hounslow, U.K. and Farmingdale, New York. South East Asian markets are covered by a recently established sales subsidiary in Singapore. Mark IV Audio, headquartered in Buchanan, Michigan, has facilities throughout the U.S. and Europe, and in Canada, Japan, Hong Kong and Australia.

Mark IV Industries, Inc., headquartered in the Buffalo suburb of Amherst, is a diversified manufacturer of products in three business segments: Technical Products and Systems; Engineered Products and Systems; and Transportation Products and Systems.

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SAN JOSE, CA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - A low-profile, high-capacity, single-disk 60-Mbyte, 2-1/2-inch fixed disk drive for large-scale data storage applications in advanced 286- and 386-based laptop portables and notebook

computers, and for use in memory arrays, FAX machines, printers and other systems, was announced Wednesday by Areal Technology Inc.

Called the MD-2060, the drive stores 62.9-Mbytes (formatted) on a single high-impact glass disk operating at very high storage densities. It operates at an average access time of 22 msec, and transfers data at 7.5 Mbits per second.

To speed systems throughput, it incorporates a 32-Kbyte buffer. The drive measures only 14.9mm (0.59 inches) high, including printed circuit board. This is almost 3mm lower than the nearest multidisk 60-byte competitors.

At the same time, system designers want these high capacities in lower profile packages. ''To design a computer system that can fit comfortably into a briefcase means that the disk drive must be as thin as possible,'' Kirby said. ''We have already seen height requirements lowered from 17mm (0.67 inches) to 14.9mm (0.59 inches) and we expect to see further height reductions in 2-1/2 inch drives.''

Use of single high-capacity glass disks allows the design of a drive that can not only meet the storage requirements of today's small systems, but that can conveniently fit in the limited space provided in portable systems, he explained.

The MD-2060 is now being manufactured at Areal's San Jose headquarters facility, and will begin large-scale volume production at Sanyo's Tottori City Japan, facility early next year as a result of manufacturing and equity agreements signed between the two companies.

Areal Technology Inc., was formed in 1988. The company maintains a 27,000-square-foot facility in San Jose and employs 60.

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ARLINGTON, VA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Group Technologies announced Wednesday first shipments of its flagship product, Aspects 1.0, the first, real-time document conferencing software for the Macintosh.

''We expect Aspects to improve productivity by changing the traditional conference environment and have already experienced significant demand for the product,'' said Reid Lewis, president of Group Technologies. ''Aspects offers

a break-through solution that meets the changing needs of today's customer.''

Aspects is the first Macintosh software program to provide interactive, real-time collaborative computing between multiple users in different locations. This program allows users to simulate a conference room environment on networked or modern-linked Macintosh computers without leaving their desks.

Aspects eliminates the time and expense required to bring business teams together in a common location to work on a common project. It improves the speed at which ideas are developed among geographically dispersed workgroups and provides an efficient, cost-effective method of achieving group consensus, all in real-time.

Group Technologies, founded in August, 1988 in Arlington, Va., develops and markets Aspects software for real-time document conferencing on the Macintosh computer. The company's software allows long-distant communications visually as well as verbally and brings people and their ideas together more simply and completely than ever before.

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DAYTON, OH (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - In a move to provide resellers with added marketing support, NCR Corp. Wednesday introduced a new co-marketing trade show program to provide resellers with attractive trade show components.

Through the NCR Trade Show Program, NCR will now provide direct resellers with trade show components for showing NCR systems and solutions in national, regional and local trade shows. In addition, resellers can be reimbursed for the trade show expenses through NCR's ValuePlan cooperative funding program.

Under the NCR Trade Show Program, NCR resellers may order NCR lighted backdrops and pedestals for usage at trade shows. NCR will also provide NCR logo and customized business logo signs, as well as NCR product literature and technical assistance.

Through this program, NCR's resellers are also able to benefit from the expertise of the NCR Displays and Exhibits department, a group that creates and manages displays for NCR trade shows.

NCR Corp., based in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports

business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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WILMINGTON, MASS. (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Altron Incorporated (NASDAQ:ALRN) Wednesday announced its financial results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Sales for the quarter were $12,302,000 compared to $13,303,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter was $170,000 or 5 cents per share, compared to net income of $280,000 or 8 cents per share during the same period a year ago.

Samuel Altschuler, chairman and president, stated that the third quarter results were adversely impacted by the lower than expected bookings early in the quarter and by an additional week of plant shutdown in the Multilayer Division to accomplish scheduled maintenance.
Bookings increased later in the quarter, and total bookings for the quarter were the strongest this year. This sets the stage for increased sales in the fourth quarter.

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990 were $39,480,000 compared to $39,657,000 for the same period last year. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 increased 20 percent to $1,045,000 or 31 cents per share as compared to net income of $870,000 or 26 cents per share for the first nine months of 1989.

The company continues to maintain a solid financial position. As of Sept. 29 1990, the company had working capital of $11,456,000 and a current ratio of 2.6.

Altron Incorporated manufactures and sells electronic interconnect products employing printed circuit technology to leading manufacturers of computer, telecommunication, instrumentation, and medical systems.

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INDIANAPOLIS (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Basic American Medical Inc. Wednesday announced operating results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Net income for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, was $5.2 million compared with net income of $4.2 million in 1989. Net income per share for the nine months in 1990 was 66 cents compared to 54 cents in 1989.

Net loss for the three month period ended Sept. 30, was $1.1 million compared with net loss of $1.2 million for the comparable three month period in 1989. Net loss per share for the quarter was 13 cents in 1990 compared with net loss per share of 15 cents in 1989.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, operating revenues increased to $282.7 million from $234.6 million in 1989, a 20.5 percent increase. Operating revenues increased for the three month period ended Sept. 30, to $82.4 million from $69.0 million in 1989, a 19.4 percent increase. These increases were primarily attributable to higher admissions at the company's hospitals.

The reduced loss for the third quarter of 1990 and the higher income for the year were primarily attributable to higher admissions and lower provisions for estimated loss on disposal of certain operations, partially offset by higher expenses.

The company's operations are favorably affected by the state of Florida's increased seasonal residency during the winter months. Accordingly, the company's third quarter operating results may not be indicative of the company's operating results for the year.

Basic American Medical Inc. owns and operates acute care hospitals. It also provides services and products to the health care market, such as outpatient surgery, comprehensive medical rehabilitation, pharmacy services, medical equipment and furniture manufacturing and distribution. The company's common shares are traded under the NASDAQ symbol BAMI.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - IXI Ltd. of Cambridge, England Wednesday announced the X.desktop Software Initiative program.

Aimed at UNIX (R) software vendors, the two-phased program has been created to ensure that major UNIX software applications take full advantage of the advanced object management functionality of IXI's OSF/Motif (TM) compliant desktop manager, X.desktop (TM). The announcement was made at UNIX Expo in New York.

IXI also announced that the following companies have already joined the Software Initiative Program: Altered Image, Applix, Ashton-Tate, Crosswind Technologies, Empress, FourGen Software, Frame Technology, Informix, Ingres, Island Graphics, Lotus, Oracle, Quadratron, Uniplex and WordPerfect.

IBM, Unisys, Santa Cruz Operation, NCR, Dell and NEC are just some of the vendors shipping X.desktop as an integral part of the graphical user interface strategy for their UNIX systems. The X.desktop Software Initiative allows developers to take full advantage of X.desktop's wide availability on the majority of UNIX hardware platforms.

Phase One of the X.desktop Software Initiative preconfigures the default desktop in such a way that the application is launched from the desktop with no additional configuration by the user. Users simply click on the icon representing the application to start it or drag and drop a data file on the application. If the software has not been pre-installed on the system, a message box provides the user with useful product information and phone numbers for further inquiries.

Phase Two further integrates the application within the X.desktop user environment. Using a set of X.desktop commands, applications will instruct the desktop to get out appropriate icons or perform specific functions. Similarly, X.desktop will control the application through a utility called ''tellxdt'' allowing desktop commands to be sent from a program or shell script.

Uniplex, who ships X.desktop with Uniplex Windows office automation software, has already moved to Phase Two. As a result, Uniplex Windows users now have a total integration with the desktop and other software running on the computer, even applications and files located on distant computers over a network.

IXI Ltd., founded in 1987, is a leading developer and supplier of X-related software products and technology. IXI's corporate objective is to bring the power of UNIX to a wide range of users. IXI recently introduced X.deskterm, a sophisticated terminal emulator that allows character-based applications to run in the graphical world of OSF/Motif and X Windows.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Management Technologies, which develops software for international banking, has licensed its new Universal Payments and Message System to three existing clients -- Algemene Bank Nederland (ABN), Banca Nazionale Del Lavoro, and Harris Bank.

The Universal Payments System integrates automated payment and message sending and receiving, providing banks with a single multicurrency system for all communications and payments, along with automatic reformatting and switching if one network is unavailable. The system is designed to work with CHIPS, CHIPS II, Fedwire, S.W.I.F.T., S.W.I.F.T. II, CHAPS and Telex or any other proprietary communications service.

It is fully compatible with MTI's ManTec integrated banking system and it can also be used as a standalone payments and message system in banks with other international banking software systems.

Management Technologies has offices in New York, London, Sydney, Toronto, and Cambridge, Mass. The company trades on NASDAQ under the symbols MTCI for its common stock and MTCIW for its warrants.

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LONDON (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - LASMO plc, the international oil and gas exploration and production company, announced Wednesday that it has received approval from the Department of Energy for its plans to develop the Staffa field in the North Sea.

First oil from the field is expected at the end of 1991 at production rates of approximately 8,000 barrels of oil per day.

The Staffa field is located 460 km (286 miles) northeast of Aberdeen in 137 m (449 feet) water depth, and is some 10 km (6 miles) east of the giant Ninian oilfield. Staffa was discovered in 1985 and is estimated to contain recoverable reserves of approximately 10 million barrels of oil equivalent. The field will be developed using two subsea production wells linked via an 8-inch pipeline to the Ninian Southern platform, where produced oil will be processed and transported through existing pipeline facilities to the Sullom Voe terminal. Additionally, gas produced from the Staffa field will be sold to the Ninian field owners for use as fuel.

LASMO plc, the independent oil and gas exploration and production company with 1989 revenues of L263 million ($425 million at year- end exchange rates), has operations in 17 countries. LASMO shares trade on London's International Stock Exchange and in the US in ADR form (symbol 3LSMOY on the electronic OTC Bulletin Board). Shares are quoted on the SEAQ International System and prices may be accessed on the Reuters Equities 2000 service under the symbol LSMR.L, and on Quotron under the symbol LSMRU.EU.

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STOCKHOLM, Sweden (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson Wednesday signed a three-year general purchasing agreement with Swedish Telecom for the delivery of AXE digital switching equipment.

The agreement carried a minimum value of $60 million.

The agreement mainly covers deliveries of AXE equipment for the extension and modernization of Swedish Telecom's rural telecommunications network.

Sweden has one of the world's most modern telecommunications networks with a high degree of digitalization, a fact that makes it easy to introduce new features. In the past three years, Ericsson has delivered $100 million worth of AXE equipment to Swedish Telecom.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications, recognized for its advanced systems and products for wired and mobile communications in public and private networks. Ericsson's wholly owned North American subsidiary is based in Richardson, Texas.

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Pinnacle Environmental Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:PENV) Wednesday announced the results for its second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reported that revenues increased 126 percent to $2,780,764 for the second quarter, from the $1,230,000 posted for the same period in 1989. Net income for the three-month period rose 166 percent to $248,036 from $93,211 in 1989. Earnings per share were 10 cents compared with 7 cents for the second quarter of last year, based on 83 percent more shares outstanding in 1990.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenue gained 48 percent to $4,470,399 vs. $3,029,579 in the prior year. Net income grew 109 percent to $404,514 from $193,352 in 1989. Earnings per share were 18 cents compared with 14 cents for the six month period in 1989, based on 61 percent more shares outstanding in 1990.

Higher net income in the second quarter of 1990 compared to the second quarter of 1989 resulted from increased revenues and higher gross margins due to a broad increase in the demand for all of the company's services. The second

quarter also marked the first complete quarter in which Rex Industries Inc. and Insulation Distributors Inc., which were acquired on May 18, 1990, reported for the full period.

Pinnacle's financial position continues to be sound. Cash and short-term investments were $3,468,502 compared to $144,087 at March 31, 1990. Stockholders equity is $7,029,108, or $2.70 per share, compared to $1,616,164.

Pinnacle Environmental Inc. provides industrial asbestos abatement and insulation services. The company also distributes industrial insulation products, asbestos abatement supplies and fabricates specialty steel items.

The company's principal customers own or operate power generating facilities, petroleum refineries, chemical processing complexes, mineral smelters, steel mills and other industrial facilities. The company services the intermountain states of Utah, Idaho, Wyoming, Nevada, Arizona, Colorado and New Mexico.

Pinnacle's stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol PENV.

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SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Famous Restaurants Inc. (NASDAQ:FAMS), operator of full-service Mexican and seafood restaurants, reported a net loss of $582,000, 10 cents per share, for the third quarter and income of $323,000, 5 cents per share, for the first three quarters ended Oct. 7, 1990, as compared to net income of $162,000, 2 cents per share, and $933,000, 15 cents per share, for the corresponding periods in 1989.

Revenues for the third quarter and first three quarters of 1990 were $23,314,000 and $79,073,000, respectively, compared to $23,438,000 and $70,987,000 for the corresponding periods in 1989.

Dennis B. Mullen, chairman, president and chief executive officer, stated: ''The disappointing results are due to continued sales weakness in many markets resulting primarily from the current recessionary economy. We increased our marketing and promotional expenses in the quarter and will primarily be promoting price-value offerings using newspaper the remainder of 1990 and into early 1991.''

The company currently operates 57 restaurants: 46 Garcia's Mexican Restaurants, nine Casa Lupita Mexican Restaurants and two Famous Fish Co. Restaurants.

Two new Garcia's Mexican Restaurants located in Pleasanton, Calif., and Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., have recently been opened. Both restaurants are experiencing strong initial sales. A Garcia's Mexican Restaurant is scheduled to open in December in Sacramento, Calif. There are also five franchised Garcia's Mexican Restaurants open.

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HERNDON, VA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Stanley G. Peery, president of TEMPEST Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:TTOI) announced Wednesday that the company incurred a net loss for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of ($84,000), or (1 cent) per share compared with net income of $335,000, or 4 cents per share for the comparable period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was ($88,000), or (1 cent) per share compared with net income of $104,000, or 1 cent per share for the comparable period one year earlier.

Revenues for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $4,079,000 as compared with revenues of $4,660,000 for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $1,974,000 as compared with revenues of $1,975,000 for the comparable period last year.

Peery stated, ''Revenues and earnings declined, compared to the same period last year, primarily due to the continued slowness of the TEMPEST marketplace and the government budget process.''

TEMPEST Technologies Inc., a publicly held company headquartered in Herndon, that designs, manufactures and integrates computer and peripheral equipment to comply with military standards, and TEMPEST specifications, and Infosec requirements established by the U.S. Government. Its shares are traded on the NASDAQ under the symbol ''TTOI''.

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ARLINGTON, TEXAS (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - BizMart Inc., (NASDAQ: BZMT) one of the nation's fastest-growing office products superstore retailers, Wednesday reported that sales for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Oct. 27 were up 115 percent to $62.7 million from $29.2 million for the like quarter a year ago, based on unaudited initial numbers.

Second quarter earnings and other financial results will be released during the week of Nov. 19.

''Comparable-store sales for our 21 Office Products Supercenters open during the second quarter of both years continued to grow at a very acceptable level, increasing by 23 percent despite uncertainties in our economy that may be impacting somewhat our larger-ticket sales,'' said Ron Stegall, president and chief executive officer.

''While sales more than doubled from last year's second quarter,'' said Stegall, ''our nine new stores in Houston continued to ramp-up slower than our earlier expectations for that market. But we remain confident about the longer term outlook for Houston.

''During the quarter, we maintained BizMart's expansion pace as planned, opening four new stores, including our first West Coast unit in Portland, Ore. '' Stegall added.

''The company is in excellent financial condition at the end of the quarter, with about $25 million in cash and no long-term debt. By next April, the end of fiscal 1991, we expect to have 57 Office Products Supercenters open.''

BizMart's 45 high-volume office products superstores in Texas, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Oregon sell more than 7,000 high-quality, brand-name products at everyday low prices that are discounted 40 to 60 percent from manufacturers' suggested retail prices.

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CALGARY, Alberta (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Ranger Oil Ltd. (TSE, NYSE, PSE: RGO)(LONDON: RGER) announces United Kingdom Department of Energy approval of its Annex B submittal for development of the Staffa oil field (interest 40 percent).

First oil from the field is expected at the end of 1991 at production rates of approximately 8,000 barrels of oil per day (3,200 net to Ranger).

The Staffa field is located 460 kilometres northeast of Aberdeen in 137 metres water depth, and is some 10 kilometres east of the giant Ninian oil field in which Ranger has an 11.5 percent interest. Staffa was discovered in 1985 and is estimated to contain recoverable reserves of approximately 10 million barrels of oil equivalent.

The field will be developed using two subsea production wells linked via an

8-inch pipeline to the Ninian Southern platform, where produced oil will be processed and transported through existing pipeline facilities to the Sullom Voe Terminal.

Additionally, gas produced from the Staffa field will be sold to the Ninian field owners for use as fuel. Total development cost will be approximately $40 million (U.S.).

Staffa is Ranger's second field to receive development approval this month, the first being the Ranger operated Anglia gas field (interest 35.6 percent).

Partners in the Staffa field are:

Ranger Oil (U.K.) Ltd.	40 Percent
LASMO North Sea PLC (operator)	60 Percent

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - James W. Kinnear, III, president and chief executive officer of Texaco Inc. (NYSE:TX), White Plains, N.Y., was Wednesday elected to the board of directors of ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) it was announced by Richard de J. Osborne, chairman of the board of Asarco.

This increases to 14 from 13 the number of directors of the company.

Kinnear, 62, has been president and CEO of Texaco since and a member of its board of directors since 1977. He previously served as vice chairman of Texaco's board of directors from 1983 to 1986; executive vice president from 1978 to 1983; and senior vice president overseeing international marine and aviation sales, the petrochemical department, the marine department, and marketing and refining in Europe from 1976 to 1978.

He joined Texaco in 1954 and during his 36-year career with the oil firm, served in numerous sales, marketing, refining, and supply and distribution management positions.

A native of Pittsburgh, Pa., Mr. Kinnear attended St Paul's School in Concord N.H., and graduated with distinction from the United States Naval Academy with a bachelor of science degree in 1950. He is a director of Corning Incorporated, the American Petroleum Institute, the National Petroleum Council and the Business Council of New York.

He also is a member of the Business Round Table and the board of trustees of St. Paul's School. He served as an officer in the United States Navy from 1950 to 1954, attaining the rank of lieutenant commander and spent thirty

months in the combat zone in Korea.

Kinnear and his wife, the former Mary Tullis, have two daughters and two sons. The family lives in Greenwich, Conn.

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Wednesday declared a regular quarterly dividend on the common stock of 40 cents per share payable December 3, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on November 15, 1990.

Asarco increased its quarterly dividend to 40 cents per share on April 1, 1989 after paying 30 cents in the first quarter of 1989 and 20 cents in each of the previous three quarters. The dividend on common stock was restored in November, 1987, at 10 cents per share after not having been paid since the third quarter of 1984. It was increased to 20 cents per share in the second quarter of 1988.

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CHATTANOOGA, TENN (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Astec Industries Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ASTE) Wednesday announced sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $35,387,000 and a loss of $3,766,000 for $1.04 per share, compared to sales of $37,921,000 and a loss of $2,358,000 for 64 cents per share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Sales of the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $138,848,000, compared to sales of $150,678,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The company

incurred a loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $9,251,000, or $2.57 per share, compared to earnings of $1,853,000, or 49 cents per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding in the third quarter of 1990 were 3,604,063, compared to 3,704,597 during the third quarter, 1989. The weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding for the nine months were 3,604,063, compared to 3,753,011 for the third quarter, 1989.

Astec also announced today several developments in the ongoing patent litigation between its Barber-Greene subsidiary and CMI Corp. On Oct. 24, 1990, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois amended a previous order and determined that Astec was liable for approximately $2.8 million in pre-judgment interest in addition to the previously announced jury verdict of approximately $4.5 million.

Accordingly, Barber-Greene's total liability to CMI in that litigation now stands at approximately $7.3 million. The pre-judgement interest portion of the judgement also includes interest that has accrued since the date of the jury verdict. The total liability exceeds the amount previously reserved by Astec with respect to this litigation and the company will reserve an additional $800,000 in the fourth quarter.

Astec Industries Inc. is a manufacturer of asphalt mixing plants, paving equipment, heat transfer equipment, aggregate crushing equipment, and excavating and trenching equipment is traded over-the-counter and is reported on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ASTE.

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CARLSTADT, NJ (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - ''Revenues are up by more than than 100% over fiscal 1989,'' announced Peter Cohen, president of Trilling Medical Technologies (NASDAQ:BURN), Wednesday as he reported preliminary results for the year which ended Aug. 31.

Since its new management team took the helm in May 1988, the manufacturer of Water-Jel burn care products has been on an accelerated growth path that has resulted in revenues increasing from just $400,000 in fiscal 1988 to more than $5 million in fiscal 1990. Included in revenues is other income of $500,000 previously carried on the balance sheet as deferred revenue.

''This year, we doubled the $2,500,000 in revenues reported for fiscal 1989, which itself represented a 500% increase in revenues over fiscal 1988. And we are projecting the company's first profitable year ever,'' explained Cohen.

''Fourth quarter revenues were particularly pleasing,'' stated Cohen. ''In addition to our regular customer base consisting of domestic and international industrial accounts, the company shipped orders to branches of the American military.'' Trilling's line of Water-Jel Sterile Burn Dressings are now specified for all naval surface ships, and Water-Jel Fire Blankets must be stocked by the army's
Deployable Medical (aka M.A.S.H.) Units. ''Heightened tensions in the Gulf region and Operation: Desert Shield have stimulated orders and renewed interest in the company's products,'' Cohen added.

Trilling has devoted resources and significant time over the last 15 months to educating the various branches of the United States military about its products and looks forward to its business with the government increasing in fiscal 1991.

''Water-Jel products are just beginning to gain a foothold in the industrial, military and international markets and we are convinced that even greater opportunities lie ahead in fiscal 1991, as Water-Jel continues to gain recognition and market penetration,'' said Cohen. ''We continue to look forward to Water-Jel's entry into the consumer market.''

In looking forward to fiscal 1991, Cohen stated that Trilling expects several announcements in the coming months regarding new products, markets and opportunities.

Trilling stock is traded on NASDAQ with the symbol BURN. Class A Warrants are BURNZ and its Class B Warrants, are BURNW.

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WOODLAND HILLS, CA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Zenith National Insurance Corp. (ZNT) reported $12.1 million of operating income (unaudited) before ''fresh start'' tax benefit and capital gains/losses for the third quarter of 1990 compared with $10.2 million for the third quarter of 1989, or 61 cents per share compared with 49 cents per share, an increase of 24 percent per share.

Net income for the third qurter of 1990 was $7.2 million, or 37 cents per share including capital losses after taxes of $5 million, or 25 cents per share, compared with net income of $10.4 million, or 50 cents per share, including capital losses after taxes of $.1 million, or 1 cent per share, for

the third quarter of 1989.

Operating income before ''fresh start'' tax benefit and capital gains/losses was $31.8 million, or $1.60 per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared with $34.7 million, or $1.66 per share, for the same period in 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $24.4 million, or $1.23 per share, including capital losses after taxes of $7.9 million, or 40 cents per share, compared with net income of $35.8 million, or $1.71 per share including capital gains after taxes of $.06 million for the same period in 1989.

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WESTBOROUGH, MA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Epoch Systems Wednesday announced Renaissance, a new storage management architecture that includes a family of distributed applications enabling information stored on magnetic disks at the workstation and server level throughout UNIX networks to be automatically managed, backed up and archived.

These are the first products that specifically address storage management needs inherent in the client/server model. In a related announcement, Sun Microsystems has signed a joint development and marketing agreement with Epoch enabling Renaissance to operate on Sun's SPARC and Sun 3 platforms.

Epoch's Renaissance is a long-term strategy for centralized management of distributed storage. Utilizing industry-standard open network computing (ONC) remote procedure call (RPC) technology it:

-- organizes all types of storage media into an orderly, logica hierarchy;
-- extends across multi-vendor hardware and software platforms;
-- manages all of the network storage for efficiency of cost and performance;
-- and enhances productivity of users and administrators.

Renaissance InfiniteStorage manages the magnetic disk space on the network's workstations and servers, migrating files to the proper level in the storage hierarchy, and assuring that the local disks never fill up. As disks fill the software automatically scans them and migrates the least used files to an Epoch-1 server centrally located on the network. The users' most active files remain on local disks for optimum performance while the inactive files are stored on low-cost media. This process provides users of workstations and servers with virtually unlimited local storage.

All files remain on-line at all times, logically unmoved from their original location and completely accessible by users and applications throughout the network. When inactive files are accessed, they are automatically retrieved from the Epoch-1 and are loaded back onto the local high speed magnetic disks.

Renaissance InfiniteStorage increases the productivity of the users and systems administrators, enables the network and its systems to maintain peak performance by minimizing network traffic and disk fragmentation, and provides a long-term solution for storage management. The process is configurable, completely automatic and transparent.

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, Calif., is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, server and UNIX operating systems and productivity software.

Epoch Systems Inc. is a leading supplier of network storage management systems for users of high performance workstations in business, industry, education and government. The company is headquartered in Westborough, Mass. with sales and support offices located throughout the United States, Canada, Europe and Asia.

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MUSKEGON, MICH. (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - SPX Corp. announced Tuesday that Robert W. Bishop, Group Vice President of the company's Kent-Moore Group in Warren, Mich., will retire at year end.

Bishop joined Kent-Moore in 1955 and progressed through various positions of responsibility at Kent-Moore to become Group Vice President of that unit in 1987.

During his more than 35 years of service with Kent-Moore and SPX, Bishop received two patents and was responsible for fostering the development of numerous innovative products and service programs.

Notable among these was his role in the founding of the company's Robinair Division and the establishment of its global distribution network, the development of Kent-Moore's leadership in the design and marketing of specialty tools and equipment for automotive and heavy duty dealer groups worldwide along with the management of franchise dealer equipment programs,

and his many contributions as an active member and past president of the Equipment Tool Institute.

Commenting on Bishop's planned retirement, Dale A. Johnson, president and chief executive officer of SPX said ''We owe Bob Bishop a great debt of gratitude for his years of leadership and service to SPX Corporation and to the automotive service industry at large. Through his career at Kent-Moore and SPX, Bob has been known as 'Mr. Customer Service.' That insistence on always meeting current and evolving customer needs has been a valuable contribution and model for both the present and future managers of the Company.''

SPX Corp., a Fortune 500 company, is a world leader in the production and distribution of specialty repair tools and equipment and repair parts to the motor vehicle service industry.

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DALLAS (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE Maxus Energy Corp. (NYSE:MXS) reported third quarter net income of $4.1 million, or after preferred dividends, a loss of 6 cents per common share, compared with a loss of $20 million, or 35 cents per common share, in the third quarter of 1989.

''The positive net income this quarter is primarily attributable to higher crude oil prices,'' said C.L. Blackburn, chairman and chief executive officer.

Sales for the recent three months of 1990 were $173.8 million compared to $147.1 million in the same quarter a year ago. Discretionary cash flow was $59.8 million this quarter compared to $31.6 million in the third quarter last year.

Results for the nine months were a net loss of $8.8 million, or after preferred dividends, a loss of 45 cents per common share, compared to a loss of $27 million, or 69 cents per common share, during the same period in 1989. Last year's results benefitted from the sale of the company's Canadian subsidiary.

Nine-month sales were $474.6 million in 1990 compared to $442.8 million in 1989. Year-to-date discretionary cash flow was $159.3 million compared to $107.9 million in the first nine months of 1989. The 1990 nine-month discretionary cash flow has already exceeded full-year 1989 discretionary cash flow of $148.2 million.

''The positive impact of our cost-cutting and debt reduction programs, coupled with our exploration record, is being reflected in our operating results in

the recent nine months,'' Blackburn said.

He pointed to DD&A (depreciation, depletion and amortization) which has declined to $139.3 million from $172.1 million for the same period last year. Interest expense declined to $60.7 million compared to $71.9 million for the first nine months of 1989.

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BOSTON (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Clinical Data Inc. (NASDAQ:CLDA), announced Wednesday that it is has sold its subsidiary, EnviroMed Inc., to Browning Ferris Industries (BFI) for a cash price of approximately $450,000.

The EnviroMed subsidiary acquired by BFI collects, tracks and disposes of medical and hazardous waste from small generators in New England, including doctors, dentists, and nursing homes.

After the sale, Clinical Data, through its Dutch subsidiary, Vital Scientific NV, will continue to manufacture photometric instrumentation used in the analysis of blood chemistry. The Drug Research Service Division will continue to provide Ambulatory ECG and Blood Pressure monitoring services to pharmaceutical companies and medical research institutes in the United States and Europe.

Israel M. Stein, M.D., president of Clinical Data commented, ''The sale of EnviroMed will allow the company to focus its efforts on the remaining businesses and apply greater resources to potential future opportunities.''

Clinical Data Inc. is a multinational medical company offering services and products for pharmaceutical research, hospital laboratories, and the physician's office. The company has developed ambulatory monitoring technology used in cardiovascular drug research. The company's Dutch subsidiary, Vital Scientific NV, designs and manufactures blood chemistry instrumentation marketed worldwide by E. Merck.

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MELVILLE, NY (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Arrow Electronics Inc. (NYSE:ARW)

announced the appointment of Steven W. Menefee as president of its Arrow/Kierulff Electronics Group.

Arrow/Kierulff, with annual sales in excess of $600 million, is the largest or Arrow's three product-specific sales and marketing organizations. The group exclusively distributes semiconductors and industrial computer products to OEM customers throughout North America.

For the past 19 years, Menefee, who is age 45, has been employed by Avnet Inc. most recently as a corporate vice president and senior vice president of Hamilton/Avnet Electronics, Avnet's largest business unit, where he headed sales, marketing, and field operations. Menefee joined the electronics distribution industry in 1963, initially as an employee of Kierulff Electronics, which was acquired by Arrow in 1988.

The appointment was announced by Stephen P. Kaufman, president and chief executive officer of Arrow, who said that Menefee had also been appointed a corporate vice president.

Arrow Electronics is one of the world's two largest distributors of electronic components, systems, and related products.

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BRENTWOOD, TN (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Republic Automotive Parts Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:RAUT) today reported that its third quarter results reflected continued improvement in profits.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales totaled $18,848,000 compared with $20,202,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter was $786,000, or 27 cents per share, up from $361,000, or 12 cents per share, for the same period a year ago.

Net sales for the first three quarters of 1990 were $55,245,000 compared with $59,337,000 for the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $1,392,000, or 48 cents per share, compared with $534,000, or 19 cents per share, for the same period a year ago.

Keith M. Thompson, president, noted that the lower sales for the quarter and first nine months were due primarily to the divestiture of Republic's distribution center in Phoenix in February 1990.

Republic Automotive Parts Inc. distributes replacement parts for the automotive aftermarket. The company operates 8 distribution centers and 71 auto parts stores in 13 states. The company's common shares are traded in the

NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol RAUT.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Dividends were declared Wednesday for five of Kemper Financial Services Inc.'s closed end funds.

All dividends are payable Dec. 3 to shareholders of record on Nov. 15.

Kemper High Income Trust (NYSE:KHI) declared a monthly dividend of 10 cents per share. Its initial offering was April 21, 1988.

Kemper Intermediate Government Trust (NYSE:KGT) declared a monthly dividend of $0.0734 per share. Its initial offering was July 21, 1988.

Kemper Municipal Income Trust (NYSE:KTF) declared a monthly dividend of $0.0725 per share. Its initial offering was Oct. 20, 1988.

Kemper Multi-Market Income Trust (NYSE:KMM) declared a montly dividend of $0.117 per share. Its initial offering was Jan. 23, 1989.

Kemper Strategic Municipal Income Trust (NYSE:KSM) declared a monthly dividend of $0.075 per share. The distribution is composed of $.055 of interest income and 2 cents of long-term capital gains. Its initial offering was March 22, 1989.

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MILWAUKEE (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Federated Bank S.S.B. Wednesday announced net income for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $220,660, or 9 cents per share.

This compares with a loss of $4,849,190 for the like quarter last year. Net income for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,065,474, or 25 cents per share, vs. a loss of $4,086,307 in 1989.

On Aug. 1, 1990, Federated completed the acquisition of Hopkins Savings and Loan Association. As part of the merger conversion of Hopkins, 275,280 shares of Federated common stock were sold with net proceeds amounting to $1.2 million. Per share information is based only on the historical (Federated

pre-merger) operating results and combined bank net income since Aug. 1, 1990. Per share results prior to the merger have not been restated (and therefore are not meaningful for comparison) due to accounting standards. All other financial information has been restated to reflect the combined companies.

Core income from operations (before tax and excluding non-recurring gains or expenses and loan and REO loss provisions) was $353,000 for the fourth quarter of 1990, compared with a loss of $128,000 in the fourth quarter of 1989. Core income for fiscal 1990 was $1,250,000 as compared with $425,000 in fiscal 1989. ''Our strong improvement in 1990 is due in large part to improved net interest income as a result of our increasing interest rate spread,'' said Robert B. Pieters, president.

Fourth quarter income of 1990 was reduced by $277,000 of merger-related expenses, while the fourth quarter of 1989 was affected by a $4.7 million loss provision by Hopkins for loans and real estate owned (REO).

At year end, general reserves for loan losses were in excess of $2 million, or approximately 0.7 percent of net loans receivable. In addition, specific reserves amounted to $1.45 million, or 43 percent of real estate owned and in judgment. Loan delinquencies 60 days or more at Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to only 0.8 percent of loans outstanding compared to 1.5 percent one year earlier. With Federated's delinquencies continuing to decline, reserves for potential losses appear very adequate inlight of the current attention being paid to loss reserves and loan quality.

Federated Bank has 16 branch offices in Southeaster Wisconsin, with headquarters in Wauwatosa, Wis. Federated's stock is traded on the Over-the-Counter market under the NASDAQ symbol FEDF.

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HOUSTON (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Global Natural Resources Inc. (ASE: GNR) announced that its board of directors had approved Wednesday the issuance of 1.1 million common shares (4.9 percent of its outstanding shares) in exchange for common shares of Noel Group Inc.

The number of Noel common shares issuable to Global will be determined by a formula based upon the net value of Noel's assets at year-end. In the interim Noel will issue to Global a 10 percent debenture in the face amount of $7,012,500 automatically convertible into the Noel shares on Dec. 31.

The face value of the debenture will be adjusted at year end to an amount determined by multiplying the 1.1 million Global shares by the average Global

common stock price for the 10 trading days ending Dec. 28. The transaction was reviewed and approved by a committee of Global's independent directors, advised by Chemical Bank Investment Banking.

Noel also intends to acquire approximately 650,000-700,000 common shares of Global in the open market in addition to the 1.1 million shares to be acquired in the exchange. After giving effect to the exchange, and the additional open market purchases, Noel will own approximately 25 percent of Global's outstanding shares and Global would own, based on current market values, approximately seven to nine percent of Noel's common stock on a fully diluted basis.

Noel has privately placed approximately $36.1 million of similar debentures for cash with various institutions and individuals and expects to place an additional $24 million of such debentures by year end.

Noel, a private New York-based corporation which participates in the energy and other industrial fields through its ownership of significant equity positions in diverse operating entities, currently holds approximately 4,095,000 shares (18.3 percent) of Global's outstanding common stock.

Roger Chapman, president of Global said that, ''We are pleased that the Noel Group considers Global an attractive investment and to have the opportunity to have an equity participation in Noel's portfolio of energy based companies including Global's own shares. We look forward to sharing opportunities with the Noel Group and a long-term relationship which should be of mutual benefit to both Global and Noel.''

Global Natural Resources Inc. is a Houston-based energy company engaged in the exploration, development and production of oil and gas in North America; it also owns an interest in long-term oil and gas production sharing contracts in Indonesia and has a joint venture project in Tataria-USSR.

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CONCORD, MA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad Inc. has launched a major new version of its System HILO suite of design analysis, verification and test generation tools for the electronic equipment manufacturing industry.

The new release, System HILO 4, is designed to offer the best simulation capability within any EDA environment. The complete range of System HILO simulation tools have been enhanced for added functionality as well as higher levels of speed and accuracy.

System HILO 4 can operate with the industry standard VHDL (VHSIC Hardware Description Language) as well as GenRad's own hardware description language, GHDL. VHDL and GHDL modeling can be mixed freely at any level. Whether VHDL or GHDL is used, System HILO 4 provides a complete source level debug facility.

Language-driven design is gaining momentum as the design methodology for the future. It improves productivity by allowing the designer to work at the behavioral level. Logic synthesis is a key part of language level design methodologies and automated path from the behavioral level to a gate level implementation.

In addition, logic synthesis leads to better design implementation. An average speed improvement of 33 percent and an average area reduction of 24 percent is achieve when compared to circuits created by experienced ASIC designers using conventional methods.

Designs can also be translated and optimized for different foundries and cell libraries. Existing designs can be transferred to smaller geometry processes, giving smaller and less expensive versions of existing circuits.

HiDesignA will be multi-lingual, supporting high-level designs written in either VHDL or GHDL and will produce a schematic output of the synthesized implementation as well as a gate level netlist for the ASIC foundry. In addition, both languages will be usable together in a single design. HiDesignA will also support EDIF, PALASM, and ABEL, and will synthesize from finite state machine descriptions.

The designer will be able to inspect schematics of logic implementations as the design is synthesized. This schematic display will support such features as zooming, panning, and critical path highlighting.

GenRad Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems and automatic test equipment to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing, and process quality management. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its symbol is GEN.

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ARLINGTON, TX (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Total Assets Protection, Inc. (TAP) announced Wednesday it has signed a letter of intent for the sale of an 85

percent interest in its Advanced Communications (ADCOM) Division to Kertes Moss & Co., a Houston investment banking firm.

The management of ADCOM will participate in the acquisition. Under the terms of this letter agreement, ADCOM will be established as a separate corporation to facilitate the sales transaction which is anticipated to close on or before November 30, 1990.

This agreement is subject to arrangement of suitable financing and provides for the sale of the 85 percent interest in ADCOM for an approximate price of $1.1 million. TAP will retain a 15 percent interest in the new corporate entity.

TAP President J. C. Matlock noted that the TAP Board of Directors views this move as a key first step in the restructuring of operations for both TAP and ADCOM. The primary objective of this move will be to retain the linkage and synergy between the two entities, which provide distinct services to their respective customers, while providing additional capital to help fund future growth for both organizations. Matlock also noted that by maintaining an interest in ADCOM, TAP will continue to offer an integrated support concept, permitting it to provide a single source solution to its customers.

TAP is an international architectural, engineering and consulting company providing fail-safe solutions for information system environments. TAP services include the planning and design of computer centers and other technologically enhanced facilities, disaster recovery and contingency planning, communications consulting and security analysis. ADCOM provides technology integration services, primarily in the audio-visual communications field.

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or Tim King (In Los Angeles), 213/541-4415.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Wells-Gardner Electronics Corporation Wednesday reported substantially higher sales and earnings for its third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990, confirming its previously disclosed estimate.

For the three months, net earnings from continuing operations grew to $430,000 or 11 cents a share, a significant improvement from the loss of $679,000, or 18 cents a share, recorded in the prior year's third quarter. With $60,000 in extraordinary items, this quarter's net earnings rose to $490,000, or 13 cents a share.

Last year's third quarter net loss of $881,000, or 23 cents a share, included a loss of $202,000 from discontinued operations. Revenues for the recent quarter more than doubled to $11,793,000 from $5,677,000 in the prior year's three months.

For the nine months, net earnings from continuing operations rose to $1,002,000, or 26 cents a share, versus a loss from continuing operations of $298,000, or eight cents a share, in the previous year's period. Extraordinary items in the recent nine months totalled $395,000, or 11 cents a share, making the net earnings $1,397,000, or 37 cents a share. In the prior year's period, the loss from discontinued operations accounted for $399,000, or 10 cents a share, of the net loss of $697,000, or 18 cents a share.

Looking ahead to the fourth quarter, sales should exceed the $8.6 million reported in the year ago fourth quarter even though we see increased signs of softness in certain markets.

The company also announced that it has entered into a Letter of Intent with James Electronics, Chicago, to sell its previously discontinued power supply business, effective October 1, 1990.

Wells-Gardner Electronics Corporation, designs and manufactures electronic products which are marketed both domestically and internationally. Its major products are video monitors for the data display and gaming industries.

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CONCORD, MA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad Inc., has announced its initiation of a project to market a new logic synthesis package in 1991. The project, named HiDesignA, will fully integrate logic synthesis into GenRad's System HILO ToolSuite, resulting in a sophisticated tool set for the design of

complex, high-density, high-speed ASICS.

GenRad acquired logic synthesis technology as part of its strategy of providing the industry's most complete tool set for the design and analysis of ASICs.

The logic synthesis technology was acquired from Aptor S.A., Grenoble, France, a subsidiary of Cap Gemini Sogeti (CGS). This package has been used for more than 100 designs of MATRA (MATRA MDS and MATRA MHS) and CNET (Centre National des Telecommunications). The company is now marketing its logic synthesis package to leading ASIC designers on a pre-introduction basis.

Logic synthesis provides the designer with two very important functions. The first is translation. Logic synthesis allows the designer to model and debug designs at a high level (e.g., Register Transfer Level (RTL)), then use a synthesis tool to translate the high-level design into a logic-level implementation (i.e., gate level).

By allowing the designer to describe a circuit at a high level, a designer can focus on the function and performance of the design and be assured that what is implemented matches the initial design specification.

The second function provided by logic synthesis is circuit optimization. This function maps a logic-level (i.e. gate level) design into an ASIC or full custom library and optimizes the circuit for speed and space.

Benchmarks have shown that logic synthesis can improve circuit speed by an average of 33 percent and reduce chip area by an average of 24 percent compared to circuits created by experienced ASIC designers using traditional methods. To date, the major interest in logic synthesis has been driven by its ability to optimize circuit design.

According to Roger Ball, Managing Director, GenRad's Design Automation Products Group, "The complexity of ASICs has increased dramatically as more and more systems are designed using ASICs. The average gate count of ASICs has progressed from 3,000 to 10,000 today.

The largest ASICs are in the hundreds of thousands of gates. It is impossible for a logic designer to enter the thousands of gates which make up contemporary ASICs using conventional Electronic Design Automation (EDA) tools.

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CONCORD, NC (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Cabarrus Savings Bank Inc. (OTC: CASB)

continues to be profitable in a moderate growth environment.

Third quarter earnings were $72,741, or 10 cents a share compared to $172,246, or 25 cents a share for the like period last year.

Other income was down $34,900 reflecting last year's non-reoccurring gain in the sale of real estate owned of $28,700. Compensation was up $36,400 including increased commissions on loan production and staffing to handle increasing loan volume.

Occupancy expenses were up $22,400 as a result of having the new Kannapolis office on line this year; deposit insurance premiums and advertising were up $11,000 and conversion/merger expenses were $34,200. Due to the uncertainty of national and local economic conditions, an additional $50,000 was allocated to loan loss reserves.

Management and the board of directors believe that the economic downturn will be short lived and second quarter next year will reflect a more productive and profitable operating environment.

Current year-to-date earnings are $263,106, or 38 cents per share compared to $402,418, or 58 cents per share the first nine months of last year. Total assets are $101.2 million, up 4 percent over third quarter last year.

Plans for the savings bank's conversion to a state-chartered commercial bank are proceeding. The hearing before the North Carolina Banking Commission is scheduled in November.

Upon approval, this will be the first conversion of a thrift to a commercial bank under the newly enacted legislation. This major step will position the bank to compete more effectively in a rapidly changing financial institution culture.

The process of merger with Carolina First BancShares of Lincolnton, N.C. continues. The proposed merger will require stockholder approval in the Spring of 1991 if negotiations are successful.

Cabarrus Savings operates full service offices in Concord and Kannapolis and loan production offices in Charlotte and Rock Hill, S.C.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Petrolane Gas Service Limited Partnership (owned since Aug. 1, 1989 by QFB Partners) reported 1990 third quarter

revenues of $131.3 million, a 9 percent increase over 1989.

Earnings before interest, taxes depreciation and amortization for the 1990 third quarter were $9.2 million, a 19 percent decrease compared with 1989's third quarter. For the 1990 third quarter, the partnership had net loss after taxes of $33.9 million compared with net loss of $53.2 million for the third quarter of 1989.

Results of operations were adversely effected by a decrease in wholesale gallons sold, an increase in unit costs of propane resulting from the occupation of Kuwait by Iraq offset in part by higher interest expenses in 1989's third quarter related to the amortization of bridge loan fees in connection with the acquisition.

Petrolane Gas Service Limited Partnership reported 1990 nine months revenue of $509.9 million, a 5 percent increase over 1989. Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization for the 1990 nine months were $72.1 million, an 11 percent decrease compared with 1989.

For the nine months ended September 1990, the partnership had net loss after taxes of $61.0 million, compared with net loss of $23.0 million, for the nine months ended September 1989. Results of operations were adversely effected by exceptionally warm weather in the 1990 first quarter, a reduction in wholesale business, higher unit cost of propane and higher ongoing interest expense due to the incurrence of debt to finance the acquisition.

Petrolane Gas Service Limited Partnerhsip is engaged in the domestic retail and wholesale distribution of liquified petroleum gas, predominantly propane for residential, commercial, industrial and agricultural uses. The company is the largest domestic retailer and one of the largest wholesale distributors of propane based on gallons sold.

QFB Partners is a general partnership formed by affiliates of Quantum Chemical Corp and CS First Boston Inc.

Petrolane Gas Service Limited Partnership
(In millions)

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30		9 Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 131.3	$ 120.7	$ 509.9	$ 486.1
Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization	9.2	11.3	72.1	80.8
Depreciation and amortization	15.2	14.8	47.4	37.3
Operating income				

(loss)	(6.0)	(3.5)	24.7	43.5
Interest expense	29.4	50.3	88.3	69.4
Other income-net	1.5	0.6	2.5	2.9
Net income (loss)	$ (33.9)	$ (53.2)	$ (61.0)	$ (23.0)
Gallons sold	155.8	178.8	589.1	706.3

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NISKAYUNA, NY (OCT. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Environment One Corp.'s (BSE:EON) revenues grew 13.2 percent to 3,100,450 in the third quarter of 1990.

Revenues increased $362,158 from 1989's third quarter. There was a $10,296 loss for the period compared to earnings of $76,798 (2 cents per share) for the same period in 1989.

Delays in receipt and shipment of several major orders flattened third quarter performance - according to company president, Angelo Dounoucos. However, he expects the overall increasing trend in sales to continue for the remainder of the year and grow on into 1991.

Environment One is a manufacturer of environmental products and provider of environmental measurement services based in Niskayuna. The corporation's stock is traded over the counter and listed on the Boston Stock Exchange under the trading symbol - EON.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - MOCON (Modern Controls Inc.) (NASDAQ:MOCO) has been named to the Forbes list of 200 best small companies in America.

Forbes said it evaluated more than 4,300 companies nationwide with sales between $5 million and $350 million. The 200 best companies were ranked according to their five-year average return-on-equity, which shows annual profits as a percentage of net worth and measures how effectively shareholders' money is used.

MOCON ranked 65 this year, up from 108 in 1988 when they were first named to the list.

''We were very pleased with the Forbes selection,'' said W.N. Mayer MOCON's chairman and chief executive officer, ''and that our commitment to consistant earnings growth, shareholder returns and balance sheet strength were recognized.''

MOCON was 7 of the 12 Minnesota companies on the list.

MOCON is a leading developer, manufacturer and marketer of high technology instrumentation designed to test packages and packaging materials for permeation of gases and water vapor. The company also has a new line of thickness gauging systems used to measure plastics and coatings on and off the production line.

MOCON testing instrumentation is used in quality control and research laboratories in the food and pharmaceutical industries, to test plastic packaging materials for cost effective protection against loss of color, flavor, fragrance, texture, potency and freshness.

The company also manufactures weighing and sorting instrumentation that helps the pharmaceutical industry maintain the rigid weight tolerances needed in producing drugs in capsule and tablet form.

MOCON's shares are traded over-the-counter and are listed in the NASDAQ National Market System. The company's electronic NASDAQ trading symbol is MOCO.

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COLUMBIA, SC (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - John W. Folsom, president and chief executive officer of South Carolina Federal Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:SCFB), announced Wednesday that net income for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $3,907,000, or $1.69 per share.

This compares with a net loss of $5,939,000, or $2.57 per share, for the previous fiscal year. Net interest income increased by $2,249,000, while noninterest expenses declined by $819,000.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, net income was $1,327,000, or 57 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $7,197,000, or $3.11 per share, recorded during the same period last year. For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared with the same quarter in the previous year, net interest income

rose by $1,558,000, noninterest income increased by $359,000 and noninterest expenses declined by $869,000.

The losses recorded in the fourth quarter and year ended Sept. 30, 1989 were due to increases in the corporation's provisions for loan and real estate losses which primarily resulted from the devastating effects of Hurricane Hugo on major real estate development projects financed by the Bank.

Folsom commented: ''A significant improvement in the net yield on interest-earning assets and the control of noninterest expenses were the primary reasons for the increased earnings for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

''We have made significant progress in reducing nonperforming assets over the last fiscal year. Nonearning assets have decreased 34.6 percent and accruing loans which are ninety days or more delinquent have declined 80.4 percent from the levels at Sept. 30, 1989.''

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $885,183,000, net loans were $703,520,000 and deposits were $687,727,000.

South Carolina Federal Corp. is the unitary thrift holding company of South Carolina Federal Savings Bank which currently operates 32 full-service offices and four mortgage loan offices in South Carolina.

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MT. LAUREL, NJ (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Tyco Toys (NASDAQ Symbol:TTOY) announced net sales for the third quarter were $168.9 million, a 6 percent increase over the $159.4 million for the comparable period last year.

Net income for the third quarter was $9.3 million or 94 cents per share fully diluted compared to $9.3 million or $1.10 per share fully diluted last year. Average shares outstanding increased to 12.2 million compared to 9.4 million last year.

Net sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $343.1 million compared to $268.9 million for the same period last year. Net income was $13.1 million or $1.57 per share fully diluted compared to $12.3 million or $1.85 per share fully diluted last year. Results for 1990 include a loss of $1.5 million (13 cents per share) from Nasta, compared to income of $929,000 (12 cents per share) in the comparable 1989 period.

Richard E. Grey, president and chief executive officer of Tyco stated, ''Third quarter and first nine months of 1990 sales reflect higher shipments of Dolls

together with Radio Control vehicles, Activity Toys and 3-D Viewers acquired from View-Master Ideal in June, 1989. International shipments were also higher while Nasta sales were sharply lower. Net income for the third quarter includes a special provision of $4 million reflecting Tyco's aggressive increase in fourth quarter advertising to stimulate retail sales.''

Grey further noted, ''As previously announced, earlier this month the company completed the acquisition of the remaining outstanding shares of Nasta. Also, the company has just completed the acquisition of Playtime Products Inc., a profitable direct import toy company. We expect to complete the integration of Nasta into Playtime by the end of this year and believe the combined operations will strengthen our position in direct import toys, and will be profitable in 1991.''

Tyco Toys Inc., markets a broad line of toy products.

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PORTLAND, MAINE (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc. (NASDAQ:PHBK) Wednesday reported that the company's previously-announced results of operations for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, issued by the company on Oct. 26, 1990, inadvertently did not include in the company's non-performing assets $8.4 million of loans which are being accounted for as being in-substance foreclosure and, thus, other real estate owned.

As a result, the company's total non-performing assets amounted to $145.0 million or 4.86 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 (as compared to the previously-announced $136.6 million or 4.57 percent of total assets) and the company's $84.0 million total allowance for loan losses amounted to 57.93 percent (and not 61.51 percent) of total non-performing assets at the same date.

The previously-announced results of operations for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 are unaffected by these corrections. A revised Consolidated Balance Sheet is provided.

For further information, contact Peter J. Verrill, executive vice president and chief financial officer, Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc., (207) 761-8507.

Peoples Heritage Financial Group Inc.
Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)(REVISED)
(In Thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990	1989	% Change
ASSETS			
Cash and due from banks	$75,841	$55,082	37.69
Interest-bearing deposits in banks	2,446	2,748	-10.99
Investment securities	457,907	288,236	58.87
Mortgage backed securities	245,320	225,192	8.94
Federal funds sold	21,202	34,210	-38.02
Loans and leases:			
Residential real estate mortgages	436,760	578,530	-24.51
Commercial real estate mortgages	678,218	666,700	1.73
Commercial business loans and leases	462,941	451,316	2.58
Consumer	431,677	365,136	18.22
Total loans and leases	2,009,596	2,061,682	-2.53
Less Allowance for loan losses	84,000	18,011	366.38
Net loans	1,925,596	2,043,671	-5.78
Bank premises and equipment	32,351	31,832	1.63
Investments in real estate	10,920	9,577	14.02
Other assets	213,617	75,632	182.44
Total Assets	$2,985,200	$2,766,180	7.92
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Deposits:			
Regular savings	$159,130	$143,907	10.58
Money market access accounts	397,477	370,642	7.24
Certificates of deposit	1,539,607	1,343,843	14.57
NOW accounts	129,567	115,825	11.86
Demand deposits	126,574	104,925	20.63
Total deposits	2,352,355	2,079,142	13.14
Borrowings from Federal Home Loan Bank	270,000	283,000	-4.59
Subordinated capital notes	5,000	5,000	NM
Federal funds purchased	5,353	3,375	58.61
Other borrowings	144,600	128,222	12.77
Other liabilities	28,646	22,938	24.88
Total liabilities	2,805,954	2,521,677	11.27
Shareholders' equity	179,246	244,503	-26.69
Total liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	$2,985,200	$2,766,180	7.92

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BRISTOL, CT (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Frank J. Pascale, chairman and chief executive officer of Eagle Financial Corp. (AMEX: EAG), Wednesday announced the declaration of a 13 cents quarterly cash dividend payable Dec. 3 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 15.

This represents Eagle's 15th consecutive quarterly dividend and its third consecutive dividend at this level.

On Oct. 24, Eagle announced record annual earnings of $3,533,000, or $1.31 per share, for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30. Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, was $1,039,000, or 39 cents per share, compared to $832,000, or 31 cents per share, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

In making the announcement Pascale commented, ''Eagle continues to show consistent quarterly net income, a reflection of our focus on recurring earnings combined with efficient cost controls.''

Ralph T. Linsley, vice chairman and president, added, ''We are pleased to continue our quarterly dividend program in light of our strong earnings and a capital level that remains well in excess of regulatory requirements.''

Eagle also announced that its annual meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 1991 in Torrington, Conn.

Eagle Financial Corp. is a $480 million multiple savings and loan holding company for Bristol Federal Savings Bank of Bristol, and First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Torrington. Eagle has nine offices serving both Hartford and Litchfield Counties.

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CHATTANOOGA, TN (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Provident Life and Accident Insurance Co. of America (NASDAQ:PACCB) Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend of 23 cents per share on its Class A common stock and a quarterly dividend of 23 cents per share on its Class B common stock, to be paid on Dec. 10, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990.

The newly declared dividend represents a 3 cents per share increase on both share classes of the company's stock over the 20 cents per share dividend declared Aug. 1, 1990, and paid Sept. 10, 1990.

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GLENDORA, CA (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Foothill Independent Bancorp (NASDAQ:FOOT) reported earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $977,000, a 25 percent increase over the earnings of $783,000 reported for the same quarter of 1989.

Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $2.71 million, a 9 percent increase over the earnings of $2,493,000 reported for the first nine months of 1989. Earnings per share increased to 32 cents and 90 cents, respectively, for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared with 26 cents and 82 cents, respectively, for the same periods of 1989.

J.T. Waller, president and chief executive officer of the company, stated that the improvements in earnings reflects continued strong loan demand and the success of the company's marketing programs that are designed to attract new loan and deposit business.

Waller also announced that the company paid a 4 cents per share cash dividend on Oct. 25, 1990, to all shareholders of record as of Oct. 11, 1990. This dividend represented the eleventh consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid by the company.

Foothill Independent Bancorp is a one-bank holding company that conducts a commercial banking business in the San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys of Southern California through its wholly owned subsidiary, Foothill Independent Bank, a California state chartered bank.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the company had total assets of approximately $246 million, total deposits of approximately $224 million and total shareholders' equity of approximately $16.5 million.

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TORONTO (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - The Horsham Corp. Wednesday reported record earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. (Note: all dollar amounts in this press release are expressed in United States currency).

This reflected the strong operating performances at Clark Oil & Refining Corp.

its 60 percent owned subsidiary and American Barrick Resources Corp., its 21.5 percent - owned affiliate.

In addition, Horsham recognized a gain from Barrick's third quarter share issue.

Horsham's net earnings for the third quarter were US $40.3 million, or US $0.45 per share fully diluted, compared with US $10.9 million, or US $0.13 per share fully diluted, for the comparable period of 1989.

For the nine months Horsham earned US $62.3 million, or US $0.70 per share fully diluted, compared with US $32.6 million, or US $0.40 per share fully diluted, in the comparable period of 1989.

This year's earnings include a gain of US $17.6 million, or US 19 cents per share fully diluted, as a result of American Barrick issuing shares at a price in excess of Horsham's carrying value.

''Horsham's earnings benefitted from Clark's strong refining margins in the second and third quarters due to higher capacity utilization in the refining industry and Clark's low cost crude inventories,'' said Jeremy Garbutt, president and CEO.

Clark contributed US $19.1 million in the third quarter and US $34.4 million in the nine months to Horsham's earnings, compared with US $9.7 million and US $23.6 million in the comparable periods of 1989.

Clark's refining margins increased to US $7.44 per barrel in the quarter compared with US $3.78 per barrel in the year earlier period. For the nine months, refining margins averaged US $5.64 per barrel, compared with US $4.31 per barrel in the comparable period of 1989.

American Barrick, which increased its earnings by 65 percent to US $43.1 million in the nine months, contributed US $26.9 million to net earnings including Horsham's US $17.6 million gain from the share issue.

The Horsham Corp. is a major North American company listed on the New York, Toronto and Montreal stock exchanges under the ticker symbol HSM.

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FRANKLIN, Tenn. (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - At a special meeting of shareholders held Oct. 29, 1990, shareholders of Diversicare Corporation of

America (NASDAQ:DIVC) approved a merger proposal which has resulted in the company no longer being publicly owned.

As a result of the merger, Diversicare Ltd., which previously owned 95 percent of the company's outstanding common stock, now owns 100 percent of the common stock. Pursuant to the terms of the merger, all other shareholders of the company are entitled to receive $2.40 per common share.

Diversicare Corporation of America owns or operates 40 nursing home facilities in 5 states. The company also owns 22 home health care companies operating in 4 states.

The company's stock was formerly traded in the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol DIVC.

Diversicare's parent entity, Counsel Corp. is a financial management company engaged in three main areas of business: real estate (Counsel Property Corp. and Counsel Management Inc.); health care (Diversicare Inc. and Diversicare Corporation of America); and merchant banking (Counsel Capital Corp.).

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WALTHAM, Mass. (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Steven D. Edelson is founder and chairman at Edsun Laboratories Inc.

Edsun's flagship product is a recently introduced integrated circuit called CEG/DAC. This product is used to permit low cost, low resolution color terminals attached to IBM personal computers to display over 700,000 colors and smooth (non-jagged) lines.

Edelson earned his BS in Electrical Engineering from MIT and his MBA from Harvard Business School.

With reference to IBM's recent announcement of XGA (Extended Graphic Array). Edelson said, ''IBM has endorsed enhanced color display for high end machines, and it would be reasonable to migrate it through the product line in coming years. The IBM design is specific to the micro channel bus architecture.''

Edelson went on to say, ''Although IBM's integration of the RAM/DAC into the controller was necessary for a 1990 introduction, follow-on chipsets for OEM's will be able to take advantage of the 16-bit RAM/DAC's which are just coming into the market. Separation of the controller and the DAC will dramatically improve the yield of XGA silicon.''

Edsun plans to support XGA with enhanced color products in 1991.

Edsun Labs develops, manufactures and markets enhanced visual performance semiconductors. The company was founded by Edelson in 1983 and is privately held.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Andersen Consulting Wednesday announced that it has signed a non-exclusive international marketing agreement with Dell Computer Corp., Austin, Texas.

Dell adds another alliance link to Andersen's Business Integration Partnership Program. Sales from the agreement are expected to equal several million dollars in the first year.

As part of Andersen Consulting's information systems services, Dell will ship its computers based on the Intel 386, 386SX and 486 microprocessors directly to Andersen clients.

Andersen Consulting has helped organizations apply technology for competitive advantage since 1954, when it installed the first computer for commercial use. The firm helps clients use information in all phases of their management -- strategic, industry, operations and financial. The organization's worldwide client base has access to more than 20,000 consulting professionals serving clients through 157 offices in 45 countries. Andersen Consulting is a business unit of the Arthur Andersen Worldwide Organization.

Dell Computer Corp. pioneered the direct marketing of personal computers in 1984. The company designs, develops, manufactures, markets, services and supports a complete line of personal computers compatible with industry standards. Dell is recognized in independent surveys as having the highest customer satisfaction level in the industry for its personal computers. Information on the company and its products can be obtained through its toll-free number: 800/274-3355.

Intel is a registered trademark and 386 and 486 are trademarks of Intel Corp.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The Home

Insurance Co. has declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.7375 per share on its $2.95 Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A, payable Dec. 1, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 15.

The Home Insurance Co. $2.95 Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A, is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under ticker symbol ''HINA.''

The Home Insurance Co. is a leading property and casualty insurer writing business throughout the United States. All of the common stock of the Home Insurance Co. is owned by AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC).

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BOSTON (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Capitol Bancorporation (NASDAQ:CAPB), the holding company for Capitol Bank and Trust Co., Wednesday reported that the company had a loss for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, of $498,000, or 16 cents per share, compared to a loss of $4,132,000, or $1.32 per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

The loss is attributed to the continuing effect of the bank's non-performing assets which increased to $94 million at Sept. 30, 1990, from $84 million at June 30, 1990. The loss has been partially offset by recognition of tax benefits amounting to $1.8 million in the third quarter of 1990 as compared to $2.1 million in 1989.

Capitol Bancorporation is a holding compny with approximately $479.9 million in assets and capital of $6.7 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM Wednesday announced it has entered into new agreements with Index Technology Corporation to develop AD/Cycle (a) business tools that use the services of IBM's Repository Manager/MVS (a) host product, and IBM's Personal System/2 (a) and Operating System/2 (a) Extended Edition (OS/2 EE) workstation platforms.

AD/Cycle products and services -- from IBM and IBM business partners -- provide the application development functions of IBM's Systems Application Architecture (a) (SAA(a).

Under the new agreements, Index Technology will work with IBM to develop new

AD/Cycle products that help data-processing professionals working on personal computers to define and manipulate information stored in the repository through dictionary-like functions. This information includes database and data-structure definitions. The new cooperative products use technology from Index Technology's forthcoming Excelerator series for OS/2.

The development of such ''cooperative'' products -- which use both the power of the mainframe and versatility and speed of the programmable workstation -- will help programmers build and execute applications faster and easier.

''IBM is committed to providing superior application development tools to our customers,'' said Earl F. Wheeler, IBM senior vice president and general manager, Programming Systems. ''These agreements with Index Technology will accelerate our schedule for bringing AD/Cycle products to our customers.''

Dr. Fred L. Luconi, president and chief operating officer of Index Technology Corporation, said, ''Besides working together on the marketing and sales of AD/Cycle products, the joint development of AD/Cycle technology and products is a crucial element of our business partnership with IBM. We will work with IBM to provide the full range of AD/Cycle tools that will help organizations improve dramatically the way they develop systems.''

The technology licensing and joint development agreements announced today enhance earlier efforts between IBM and Index Technology Corporation, an original AD/Cycle business partner. IBM has an equity investment in Index Technology and markets the company's Excelerator (b) Series of computer-aided software engineering products. These support the enterprise modeling, maintenance, and analysis and design phases of AD/Cycle.

CONTACT: IBM, White Plains
Andy Kendzie, 914/642-5448

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#90304b0862 10/31/1990 ~Business Wire

SHREVEPORT, La. (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Crystal Oil Co. (ASE:COR) Wednesday reported the operating results for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989.

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$ 7,463,000	$ 6,872,000	$21,909,000	$22,393,000
Income before provision in lieu of income taxes	992,000	1,167,000	3,009,000	3,998,000
Net income/a	$ 560,000	$ 681,000	$ 1,670,000	$ 2,364,000
Increase to equity/b	924,000	1,141,000	2,876,000	25,152,000
Income per common equivalent share	2 cents	3 cents	7 cents	10 cents

Weighted average of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	24,740,929	24,752,072	24,740,831	23,834,730

(a) Includes the effect of a non-cash charge to operations of $366,000 and $460,000 in the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively, and $1,158,000 and $1,558,000 in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively, for a provision in lieu of income taxes for financial reporting purposes only.

Because of the company's quasi-reorganization in 1986, the offest to such charge is to increase paid-in capital.

(b) Includes the effect of the closing of a discount to market common stock rights offering in which the company raised approximately $21,230,000, net of expense in 1989 and the net effect of non-cash charges to operations for a provision in lieu of income taxes for financial reporting purposes only which is recorded as a credit to additional paid-in capital in 1990 and 1989.

CONTACT: Crystal Oil Co., Shreveport L.G. Caskey, 318/222-7791

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#90304b0869 10/31/1990 ~Business Wire

BELTSVILLE, MD (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - John Hanson Savings Bank, F.S.B., Wednesday announced the consummation of its reorganization into a Savings Bank holding company, John Hanson Bancorp Inc.

The Savings Bank's common stock is now wholly-owned by John Hanson Bancorp Inc. and each share of common stock of John Hanson Savings Bank previously outstanding now represents one share of common stock of the new holding company.

The reorganization was approved by the stockholders of the Savings Bank at a special meeting of stockholders, held in June, 1989. John V. Pollock, president of John Hanson Bancorp Inc. and of the Savings Bank said, ''The reorganization into a holding company form will provide us with greater flexibility in the pursuit of our required financial goals.''

John Hanson Savings Bank F.S.B., headquartered in Beltsville , a wholly-owned holding company of John Hanson Bancorp Inc. has 15 branch offices and is a federally chartered and insured savings bank. The stock of John Hanson Bancorp Inc. continues to be traded on the National Association of Securities Dealers' Automated Quotation (NASDAQ) National Market System under the symbol ''JHSL.''

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#90304b0874 10/31/1990 ~Business Wire

PROVIDENCE, RI (OCT. 31) BUSINESS WIRE - Nortek Inc. (NYSE:NTK) announced Wednesday that Ralph R. Papitto, chairman and chief executive officer of Nortek Inc. since its founding in 1967, has retired and that Richard L. Bready Nortek's president since 1979, has been elected to succeed him as CEO.

Papitto, 64, also said he resigned as a director of the company ''to help give the new management team the freedoms necessary to effectively operate Nortek'' and that he will leave the day-to-day operations of the company to pursue other interests, but will remain as a consultant through 1993.

In addition to agreeing to consult for a period of three years and to the termination of his existing employment contract, which was renewable by Papitto through 1998, Papitto has entered into a five-year standstill agreement and a four year non-compete agreement with the company and has surrendered options covering a total of 413,333 shares of company stock.

The payments made by the company to Papitto in connection with these and other agreements will result in an after-tax charge of $5.7 million in the current quarter.

The company also reported that Bready and three of his associates Dennis J. McGillicuddy, Barry Silverstein and D. Stevens McVoy who are not affiliated with Nortek have purchased approximately 680,000 shares of company common stock from Papitto at a price of $9.50 per share. The group has also agreed to purchase 285,000 shares of company common stock from Nortek at a price of $9.50 per share. Coupled with the 498,000 shares beneficially owned by Bready these purchases result in his being the largest beneficial owner of the company's stock.

Bready said that ''Ralph Papitto has built Nortek from a start-up to a Fortune 500 company with well over a billion dollars in sales. Ralph is our founder and we will miss him, but we are comforted by the knowledge that, although he is retiring, he will still be available as a consultant to give us strategic advice, particularly in the area of acquisitions and divestitures.''

Nortek Inc. is a diversified Fortune 500 corporation, manufacturing and marketing residential and commercial building products and commercial ventilating and air conditioning systems.

CONTACT: Nortek Inc., Providence, R.I.
Richard J. Harris, 401/751-1600

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#90304c0003 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:37 that trade in Columbia First Bank A Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: CFFS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 3/4. The company is located in Arlington, VA.

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#90304c0004 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in Kollmorgen Corp.(NASDAQ: KOL) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE.

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#90304c0005 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 26, 1990, an appeals court dismissed a suit filed by Florafax International Inc.(TICKER: FIIF) seeking payment of a promissory note from Equidyne Industries Inc.

Florafax reports Equidyne made the note in exchange for investment securities in Feb., 1980.

Florafax filed suit in December, 1985, seeking payment of the note, which had been accelerated in February, 1985, due to a payment default.

Florafax reports the original note was in the amount of $1.20 million, and at the date of the lawsuit, with interest, expenses and costs, totaled approximately $1.03 million.

In November, 1986, Florafax settled its claim against certain defendants, but states it specifically preserved in the settlement agreement its equitable lien on real property previously owned by Equidyne.

The appeals court said that the settlement agreement with some of the defendants in November, 1986, extinguished the equitable lien and Florafax's promissory note.

Florafax says it intends to pursue an appeal of this decision.

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#90304c0006 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 15, 1990, the U.S. District Court for the District of Nevada found in favor of the trustees of the National Automatic Sprinkler Industry Pension Fund, Welfare Fund, Metal Trades Pension Fund, Sprinkler Industry Supplemental Pension Fund and Local 669 U.A. Education Fund, against the Mills-Jennings Co.(TICKER: JKPT), in the amount of $391,342.04.

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#90304c0008 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Pit Stop Auto Centers Inc.(TICKER: PSAC) lost $289,398, or $0.37 per share, on revenues of $260,389 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $17,161, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $786,201 for the same period in 1989.

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#90304c0009 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 26, 1990, the board of directors of Scan-Graphics Inc.(TICKER: SCNG) appointed Joseph N. Battista Jr. as vice president and chief financial officer.

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#90304c0010 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Kollmorgen Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol KOL. Trading was resumed at 10:02.

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#90304c0011 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:16 that trade in Delphi Financial Group Inc.(NASDAQ: DLFI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 8 3/8. The company is located in Wilmington, DE.

-30- 359
#90304c0012 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:25 that trade in Columbia First Bank A Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: CFFS) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 3/4; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 393
#90304c0013 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:19 that trade in Datron Systems Inc.(NASDAQ: DTSI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 5 3/4. The company is located in Simi Valley, CA.

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#90304c0014 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:31 that trade in Delphi Financial Group Inc.(NASDAQ: DLFI) has been resumed. The first sale was 8 7/8; up 1/2 point from the halt, and up 7/8 point from the previous close.

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#90304c0016 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Bailey Corp.(TICKER: BAIB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended

	July 29, 1990	July 30, 1990
REVENUES	$32,241,000	$40,692,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	$340,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(777,000)	$1,091,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.21)	$0.28
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	July 29, 1990	July 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$22,336,000	$18,892,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,803,000	$3,580,000

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#90304c0017 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by J.W. Gant Financial Inc.(TICKERl: JWGF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$601,913	$600,157

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(158,400)	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,417,498)	$9,558
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$	
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,113,913	$4,939,233
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$4,020,369	$1,102,142

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#90304c0018 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bogen Corp.(TICKER: BOGN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,416,000	$4,559,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$94,000	$4,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$230,000	$9,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,664,000	9,817,100

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,752,000	$8,125,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$(2,216,000)	$(1,724,000)

-30- 1027

#90304c0019 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Security Environmental Systems Inc.(TICKER: SENV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,227,645	$3,183,266
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	$38,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$22,427	$244,217
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.28
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,786,844	8,732,677

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,364,889	$6,086,380
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,875,911	$1,828,358

-30- 1068

#90304c0020 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 9 1990, a subsidiary of Geriatric & Medical Centers Inc.(TICKER: GEMC), Geriatric & Medical Services Inc., sold a 255-bed skilled and intermediate nursing care facility to AHF/Montgomery Inc. for $9.41 million.

The facility is located at 600 West Cheltenham Avenue, Philadelphia, PA.

Part of the purchase price, $8.21 million, was paid in cash and the balance was financed by delivery to Geriatric & Medical Centers Inc. of a 20-year tax-free subordinated revenue bond for $1.20 million.

The net book value of the assets sold was around $2.46 million.

Sale of the facility enabled Geriatric & Medical Centers to reduce bank debt by approximately $7.40 million, the company reports.

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#90304c0021 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Orion Financial Ltd.(TICKER: ORFN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,262,439	$7,085,966
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(105,458)	$(199,377)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(387,632)	$(217,308)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,113,782	5,113,782

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,769,935	$7,046,207
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,062,305	$2,449,937

-30- 1049
#90304c0022 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Federal Savings & Loan Association of East Hartford.(TICKER: FFES).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$400,000	$395,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.17	$0.17
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,365,000	2,365,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$430,355,000	$413,576,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$38,930,000	$37,932,000

-30- 1034
#90304c0024 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 30, 1990, the board of directors of Omega Health Systems Inc.(TICKER: OSHI) elected Andrew W. Miller to fill the seat on the board which was vacated by Dr. Irvin Borish.

Miller additionally was appointed to serve as the company's chairman and chief executive officer.

Larry Thomas, executive vice president and director, announced plans to take a position as president of a health care organization, necessitating his resignation as officer and as an employee of Omega.

He will continue to be active as a member of the company's board of directors, however.

In other news, a holder of an outstanding warrant to purchase 200,000 shares of Omega's common stock at $2 per share and 100,000 shares of Omega's common stock at $3 per share, has advised Omega of his intention to exercise the warrant when it becomes eligible for exercise in January, 1991.

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#90304c0025 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
By DOLLIE F. RYAN

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 31) UPI - Jeff Stein can see through the clothes you're wearing.

He isn't a psychologist, a soothsayer, a Superman or a voyeur. Stein is president and founder of Camp Beverly Hills Clothing and a style connoisseur with a knack for reading people by the way they dress.

If, for instance, you like baggy clothes - think of Jack Nicholson or Diane Keaton - Stein sees you as a confident person, but with a hint of mystery.

Or, if you feel good wearing white riding trousers with double- breasted suits - the way Tony Curtis did in ''The Great Race'' - Stein believes you are basically insecure with a need to impress people.

''I don't really think people realize they broadcast a message with the clothes they choose to wear,'' Stein says. ''It's a lot like body language. You cross your legs or arms for reasons you're only vaguely aware of.''

Stein's observations are neither novel or scientific, but he believes his insight into why people dress the way they do is worth something, so he currently is negotiating to publish a book on the topic.

Among Stein's observations:

-People who dress frumpy (as opposed to baggy) are trying to hide inside their clothes, though secretly wanting to be noticed, like Rosanna Arquette or Carol Kane.

-Lacy, antique willowly clothing shows someone who is romantic, feminine and dreamy, such as singer Stevie Nicks of Fleetwood Mac.

-A woman in a man's suit is exotic, playful and confident in her sexuality. Think of Marlene Dietrich or rock singer Annie Lennox.

-Women who wear neutral tones want to appear calm and in control such as the character Candice Bergen portrays in the TV series ''Murphy Brown''.

Stein, 47, has his own clothing likes and dislikes. He prefers women in short form-fitting skirts worn with suit jackets, and noted that actress Fay Dunaway often sports this ensemble.

He believes the combination reflects power and sophistication and is worn by a woman who wants to be taken seriously, using her sexuality as a ''means only '' he says.

On the other hand, Stein had a problem with the white satin gown styled in the ''Snow White'' mode that actress Kim Basinger wore to this year's Academy Awards ceremony.

''She did something so trendy it didn't seem suitable,'' he says. ''She's a great beauty. I think she just miscalculated.''

Stein labeled Basinger a ''fashion victim'' - someone insecure with a need to be better than others.

For himself, Stein prefers a denim shirt with a jacket and vintage tie, which, he says, translates into someone who is non-conformist, creative, credible and confident.

A New York native, Stein moved to Beverly Hills in 1974 to work for Columbia Pictures. He left the job six years later to seek his fortune as an independent film producer.

During that time, he developed the idea of a store specializing in authentic Army-Navy clothing. Camp Beverly Hills Clothing was born in 1977, and eventually blossomed into a multimillion-dollar company offering lines in perfume, lingerie, sunglasses and even furniture.

As the result of his business success, Stein made several television and radio

appearances and began thinking about his clothing-psychology concept.

''What I'm interested in is style more than the clothes,'' he says. ''I don't like to shop, it has never been my thing. What attracted me to this is an ability to make a style statement ... It's not the clothing that fascinates me but the concept behind it.''

Dressing to express oneself is good for one's mental health, Stein says, but he acknowledges that not everyone is free to because of constraints imposed by others, including employers.

''I think if people got more creative with clothing and were able to express themselves through what they wear, they would be happier and do better in life '' he says.

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#90304c0026 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:20 that trade in Datron Systems Inc.(NASDAQ: DTSI) has been resumed. The first sale was 6; up 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90304c0027 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 19

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 30, 1990, the chairman, president and CEO of Kansas Gas & Electric Co.(TICKER: KGE). sent a letter to shareholders explaining the merger agreement Kansas Gas & Electric Co. entered into with The Kansas Power and Light Co.

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#90304c0031 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 23, 1990, Grubb & Ellis Realty Income Trust (TICKER: GRIT) agreed to sell the Livermore Arcade Shopping Center to Hopkins Development Co. L.P. for $10.38 million.

Unless extended by mutual agreement, the agreement provides for a close of escrow not later than Dec. 14, 1990. Grubb & Ellis Co.(TICKER: GBE), Grubb &

Ellis Realty Income Trust's sponsor, acted as real estate broker in the transaction.

Grubb & Ellis Co. will thus receive a commission of $105,750 upon close of the sale.

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#90304c0032 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Drug Screening Systems Inc.(TICKER: DRUG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$121,482	$89,592
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,489,483)	$(1,726,887)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.40)	$(0.52)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,767,158	3,336,891

BALANCE SHEET

June 30,

	1990	1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$498,589	$1,432,570
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$(36,260)	$648,473

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise and is expending significant resources in the research and development of its products.

Drug Screening Systems' executive offices are located at 603 VPR Commerce Center, 1001 Lower Landing Road, R.D. 1, Blackwood, NJ 08012, and its telephone number is (609) 228-8500.

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#90304c0033 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American International Petroleum Corp. (TICKER:

AIPN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$273,305	$2,491,044
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(720,120)	$(1,280,176)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	26,082,431	19,812,091

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$19,000,454	$15,112,670
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,517,179	$1,088,991

-30- 1058
#90304c0035 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Medalist Industries Inc.(TICKER: MDIN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$31,486,000	$35,793,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$573,000	$765,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.24	$0.33
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,338,841	2,319,115

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$87,861,000	$85,508,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$39,926,000	$37,987,000

-30- 1010
#90304c0036 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Utah Shale Land & Minerals Corp.(TICKER: UTAH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$31,104	$33,381
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$5,037	$7,447
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,282,653	4,282,814

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,909,258	$1,896,267
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$1,893,782	$1,879,502

-30- 1031
#90304c0037 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Sixx Holdings Inc.(TICKER: SIXX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$439,701	$28,764
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(71,325)	$8,586,104
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$000	$(12,690)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(21,587)	$8,421,606
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$1.37
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,437,395	$7,309,839
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$4,434,224	$6,589,839

-30- 1004

#90304c0038 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Non-Invasive Monitoring Systems Inc. (TICKER: NIMU).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,366,086	$1,506,246
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(970,438)	$(830,278)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	22,283,064	12,650,000

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,083,173	$892,261
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$3,860,945	$(396,658)

-30- 1050

#90304c0039 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Industrial Training Corp.(TICKER: ITCC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,692,331	$1,631,325

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$227,005	$17,197
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.29	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	776,053	775,803

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 31, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,685,411	$7,159,355
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$3,661,970	$3,279,410

-30- 1014

#90304c0040 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Tri-R Systems Inc.(TICKER: RRRC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,796,465	$7,755,533
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(805,506)	$1,013,059)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.26)	$(0.33)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,103,000	3,100,000

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,036,290	$6,117,221
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$2,039,115	$1,869,621

-30- 1019

#90304c0042 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 31) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:30 that trade in Dreco Energy Services LTD (NASDAQ: DREA) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 9 1/8.

-30- 316
#90304c0044 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.W. ROSS OF 1766 CORNERS CT, ATLANTA, GA 30338, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,000 CLASS A SHARES OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 24, 1990.

(TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. TEL: 404 827-1717)

-30- 445
#90304c0045 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - I.H. BROWN OF P.O. BOX 284, GOSHEN, KY 40026, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF BROWN-FORMAN CORP. THROUGH HILLIARD-LYONS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 29, 1990.

(BROWN-FORMAN CORP. TEL: 502 585-1100)

-30- 385
#90304c0046 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L.S. JENSON OF 2552 E 400 N, ROBERTS, ID 83444, HAS FILED TO SELL 300,000 SHARES OF VENCOR INTERNATIONAL THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 29, 1990.

(VENCOR INTERNATIONAL TEL: 619 438-1701)

-30- 391
#90304c0047 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH L EDLOW OF 245 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10167, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. TEL: 212 252-2000)

-30- 433
#90304c0048 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C BOARDMAN THOMPSON II OF 4650 BAY BLVD, APT #1035, PORT RICHEY, FL 33568, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,000 SHARES OF RIGHT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS INC (TICKER: RMCI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(RIGHT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS INC TEL: 215 988-1588)

-30- 472
#90304c0049 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN M STAPLETON OF 1221 ELM ST, WINNETKA, IL 60093, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF IMCERA GROUP INC. (TICKER: IMA) THROUGH DREHER & ASSOCIATES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(IMCERA GROUP INC. TEL: 708 205-2196)

-30- 408
#90304c0050 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID O HELD OF 2580 BASIL LANE, BEL AIR, CA 90077, HAS FILED TO SELL 62,500 SHARES OF UTILITECH INC. (TICKER: UTLL) THROUGH DRAKE CAPITAL SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(UTILITECH INC. TEL: 213 441-4119)

-30- 399
#90304c0052 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID HELLER OF 224 SHEA ROOSTER ISLE, FOSTER CITY, CA 94404, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,000 SHARES OF BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BORL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 408 438-8400)

-30- 431
#90304c0053 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD J MASSELLO OF 3264 FAIRFORD AVE, BRIDGEPORT, CT 06605, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CITYTRUST BANCORP. (TICKER: CYT) THROUGH SHEARSON

LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(CITYTRUST BANCORP. TEL: 203 385-4998)

-30- 428
#90304c0054 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RHONDA K LUNSFORD OF 2308 CALLE LUMINOSO, SANTA FE, NM 87505, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2400)

-30- 442
#90304c0055 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HERBERT G TAUS OF 3052 ORCHARD DR, SAN JOSE, CA 95134, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,000 SHARES OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(LASERSCOPE TEL: 408 943-0636)

-30- 390
#90304c0056 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STANFORD UNIVERSITY OF 209 HAMILTON AVE, PALO ALTO, CA 94301, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 427
#90304c0057 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALTER BAUMGARTNER OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,890 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 421
#90304c0058 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HACKWORTH MICHAEL L TRUST OF 1463 CENTRE POINTE DR, MILPITAS, CA 95035, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(CIRRUS LOGIC INC. TEL: 408 945-8300)

-30- 437
#90304c0060 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN J EGART OF 14930 MAKAH ST NW, ANDOVER, MN 55340, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF FIRST TEAM SPORTS INC. (TICKER: FTSP) THROUGH HAYNE MILLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(FIRST TEAM SPORTS INC. TEL: 612 780-4454)

-30- 416
#90304c0061 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GORDON RUSSELL OF 297 MAPACHE DR, PORTOLA VALLEY, CA 94028, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,150 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH CONWAY WILLIAMS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 412
#90304c0062 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM O SPARKS OF 35607 N MAMIE NAUDE, CAVE CREEK, AZ 85331, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 409
#90304c0063 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RON BERG OF 1242 BENTON, ANOKA, MN 55303, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF FIRST TEAM SPORTS INC. (TICKER: FTSP) THROUGH HAYNE MILLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(FIRST TEAM SPORTS INC. TEL: 612 780-4454)

-30- 400
#90304c0064 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM H NEUKOM OF 621 36TH AVENUE, SEATTLE, WA 98122, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,214 SHARES OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(MICROSOFT CORP. TEL: 206 828-8080)

-30- 401
#90304c0065 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL BRAINERD OF 2033 FIRST AVE, 0, SEATTLE, WA 98122, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF ALDUS CORP. (TICKER: ALDC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(ALDUS CORP. TEL: 206 622-5500)

-30- 390
#90304c0066 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM M SPENCER III OF 2001 PARK PLACE, SUITE 1040, PARK PLACE TOWER, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF GENUINE PARTS CO. (TICKER: GPC) THROUGH J C BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(GENUINE PARTS CO. TEL: 404 953-1700)

-30- 449
#90304c0068 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP INC OF 251 S LAKE AVE, PASADENA, CA 91101, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI) THROUGH

GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. TEL: 617 876-1170)

-30- 452
#90304c0069 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAROL WHITFIELD OF 640 CLYDE CT, MTN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(CONSILIUM INC. TEL: 415 691-6100)

-30- 402
#90304c0070 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLAUDE L MEYER OF ONE PROCTER & GAMBLE PLZ, CINCINNATI, OH 45202, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,644 SHARES OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. TEL: 513 983-1100)

-30- 419
#90304c0071 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR L SKOLNESS OF R.R. #1, P O BOX 82, GLYNDON, MN 56547, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF HIGH PLAINS CORP. (TICKER: HIPC) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(HIGH PLAINS CORP. TEL: 316 269-4310)

-30- 418
#90304c0072 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT L GRAY OF 27W341 OAKWOOD, WINFIELD, IL 60190, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF FEDERAL SIGNAL CORP. (TICKER: FSS) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(FEDERAL SIGNAL CORP. TEL: 708 954-2500)

-30- 411
#90304c0073 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL N FRUITT OF 60 MARY ELLEN RD, WABAN, MA 02168, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,500 SHARES OF THE GILLETTE CO. (TICKER: GS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(THE GILLETTE CO. TEL: 617 421-7000)

-30- 391
#90304c0074 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS A MOORE OF 750 OLD LUCLOW AVE, CINCINNATI, OH 45220, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,310 SHARES OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG) THROUGH CENTRAL TRADE SAVER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. TEL: 513 983-1100)

-30- 419
#90304c0076 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MATTHEW KIDD OF 121 RIO VISTA, LOS GATOS, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,104 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 381
#90304c0077 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAY A DISLER OF 496 TEAL PLAZA, SECAUCUS, NJ 07000, HAS FILED TO SELL 350,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 430
#90304c0078 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED L SMITH OF 74285 QUAIL LAKES DR, INDIAN WELLS, CA 92210, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. (TICKER: SFD) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. TEL: 801 974-1400)

-30- 451
#90304c0079 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G JAY JOHNSON OF 913 LORIEN DR, GWYNEDD VALLEY, PA 19437, HAS FILED TO SELL 62,300 SHARES OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 688-1322)

-30- 449
#90304c0080 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVE SODERQUIST OF 706 BENTON ST, ANOKA, MN 55303, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF FIRST TEAM SPORTS INC. (TICKER: FTSP) THROUGH HAYNE MILLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(FIRST TEAM SPORTS INC. TEL: 612 780-4454)

-30- 416
#90304c0081 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER S CROSS OF 501 E MIDDLEFIELD RD, MT VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 447
#90304c0082 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J RUEHLE OF 501 E MIDDLEFIELD RD, MT VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 449
#90304c0084 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW K LUDWICK OF 501 E MIDDLEFIELD RD, MT VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 452
#90304c0085 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH J MONACO JR OF 62 SENTINEL HILL RD, DERBY, CT 06418, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,000 SHARES OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC) THROUGH ADVEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(DS BANCOR INC. TEL: 203 736-9921)

-30- 396
#90304c0086 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAMILLE PENHOET OF 688 ALVARADO RD, BERKELEY, CA 94705, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CHIRON CORP. (TICKER: CHIR) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(CHIRON CORP. TEL: 415 655-8730)

-30- 391
#90304c0087 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHRIS A GRAFFT OF 1730 FOX DRIVE, SAN JOSE, CA 95131, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 408 441-2200)

-30- 447
#90304c0088 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAYMOND F BADDOUR OF 96 FLETCHER RD, BELMONT, MA 02178, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(AMGEN INC. TEL: 805 499-5725)

-30- 391
#90304c0089 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL C HAWLEY OF 2525 FILBERT ST, 0, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94123, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF THE GILLETTE CO. (TICKER: GS) THROUGH SHAWMUT BRKG SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(THE GILLETTE CO. TEL: 617 421-7000)

-30- 408
#90304c0090 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD J BRUCE OF 11730 WOOD LANE, HOUSTON, TX 77024, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF VALLEN CORP. (TICKER: VALN) THROUGH CHICAGO CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(VALLEN CORP. TEL: 713 462-8700)

-30- 385
#90304c0092 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BADGER INVESTMENTS LTD OF 2320 MARINSHIP WAY, SAUSALITO, CA 94965, HAS FILED TO SELL 34,000 SHARES OF AUTODESK INC. (TICKER: ACAD) THROUGH YORK SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(AUTODESK INC. TEL: 415 332-2344)

-30- 410
#90304c0093 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT B MCDONALD OF 3728 CAPILANO DR, WEST LAFAYETTE, IN 47906, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,401 SHARES OF GREAT LAKES CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: GLK) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(GREAT LAKES CHEMICAL CORP. TEL: 317 463-2511)

-30- 447
#90304c0094 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A FISHMAN OF 3650 EAST SOUTH ST, 0, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 424
#90304c0095 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E KIBBLE OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 42,146 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 450
#90304c0096 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID E GOLD OF 3000 SAND HILL RD #2-160, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,150 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 419
#90304c0097 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD V SCHMIDT OF 501 E MIDDLEFIELD RD, MT VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 452
#90304c0098 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIRK LOUGHEED OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 412
#90304c0100 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW K LUDWICK OF 501 E MIDDLEFIELD RD, MT VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 452
#90304c0101 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HERBERT G TAUS OF 3052 ORCHARD DR, SAN JOSE, CA 95134, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,000 SHARES OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(LASERSCOPE TEL: 408 943-0636)

-30- 390
#90304c0102 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAUREEN MONACO OF 62 SENTINEL HILL, DERBY, CT 06418, HAS FILED TO SELL 28,000 SHARES OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(DS BANCOR INC. TEL: 203 736-9921)

-30- 395

#90304c0103 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOUSTON CORP OF 1000 LOUISANA, SUITE 2220, HOUSTON, TX 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,500 SHARES OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(DELL COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 512 338-4400)

-30- 416
#90304c0104 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KATHRYN A REAVIS OF 267 MAPACHE, PORTOLA VALLEY, CA 94028, HAS FILED TO SELL 49,896 SHARES OF COMPRESSION LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: CLIX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(COMPRESSION LABORATORY INC. TEL: 408 922-5411)

-30- 441
#90304c0105 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIRK LOUGHEED OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 405
#90304c0106 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - I-TECH R&D L P OF 9248 CAMBRIDGE MANOR CT, POTOMAC, MD 20854, HAS FILED TO SELL 500,000 SHARES OF COMVERSE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: CMVT) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(COMVERSE TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 516 921-0470)

-30- 438
#90304c0108 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN C WHEELWRIGHT OF 1804 MCCARTHY BLVD, MILPITAS, CA 95035, HAS

FILED TO SELL 17,000 SHARES OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(QUANTUM CORP. TEL: 408 432-1100)

-30- 412
#90304c0109 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILBUR H GANTZ OF 1101 SENECA ROAD, WILMETTE, IL 60091, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,850 SHARES OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX) THROUGH HARRIS INVESTORS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 708 948-2000)

-30- 423
#90304c0110 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GREGORY R DILLON OF 9336 CIVIC CTR DR, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90209, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF HILTON HOTELS CORP. (TICKER: HLT) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(HILTON HOTELS CORP. TEL: 213 278-4321)

-30- 422
#90304c0111 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CECILY GARDELL OF 4347 E COLFAX, DENVER, CO 80220, HAS FILED TO SELL 170,000 SHARES OF UTILITECH INC. (TICKER: UTLL) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(UTILITECH INC. TEL: 213 441-4119)

-30- 398
#90304c0112 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREDERICK A MELHADO OF 530 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10036, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,050 SHARES OF ADOBE RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: ADB) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(ADOBE RESOURCES CORP. TEL: 212 758-8110)

-30- 420
#90304c0113 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEROME A CHAZEN OF 543 N BROADWAY, UPPER NYACK, NY 10960, HAS FILED TO SELL 197,500 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 416
#90304c0114 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAYNE FAMILY TRUST OF 17500 CARTWRIGHT RD, P O BOX 19559, IRVINE, CA 92713, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF PRINTRONIX INC. (TICKER: PTNX) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(PRINTRONIX INC. TEL: 714 863-1900)

-30- 429
#90304c0116 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 455
#90304c0117 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STATE SAVINGS BANK SH TRUST #1 OF 36 EAST GAY ST, COLUMBUS, OH 43215, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BUCKEYE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BCKY) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(BUCKEYE FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 614 225-2100)

-30- 459
#90304c0118 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT W SCHER OF 29400 LAKELAND BLVD, WICKLIFFE, OH 44092, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF THE LUBRIZOL CORP. (TICKER: LZ) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(THE LUBRIZOL CORP. TEL: 216 943-4200)

-30- 406
#90304c0119 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT S HILLMAN OF 13134 JANETTA PL, SAN DIEGO, CA 92130, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,600 SHARES OF GENSIA PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: GNSA) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(GENSIA PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 619 546-8300)

-30- 445
#90304c0120 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR H BAUMANN OF 37 LAKEVIEW TERRACE, COLUMBUS, NJ 08022, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CHARTER POWER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHP) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(CHARTER POWER SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 215 828-9000)

-30- 445
#90304c0121 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHERMAN T MAYNE OF ROUTE 2 BOX 35, GOLD HILL, NC 28071, HAS FILED TO SELL 47,774 SHARES OF RADIATION DISPOSAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RDIS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(RADIATION DISPOSAL SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 704 527-6406)

-30- 454
#90304c0122 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, A.W. DITTMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC. (TICKER: BATT), SOLD 25,166 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,214.

-30- 345
#90304c0124 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 13, 1990, L.E. SWAYKOSKI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BATTERY ONE-STOP INC. (TICKER: BATT), SOLD 25,167 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 246,813.

-30- 349
#90304c0125 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 10, 1990, F.S. CLEMMONS, DIR. OF BELMAC CORP. (TICKER: BEMC), SOLD 14,400 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,859.

-30- 316
#90304c0126 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 9, 1990, D.H. METHVIN, PRES. OF DAVIN COMPUTER CORP SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,444,650.

-30- 303
#90304c0127 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, SCIENCE APP PENSION P/S PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP SOLD 55,383 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,124,387.

-30- 381
#90304c0128 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 19, 1990, Z.C. PATTEN III, DIR. OF FIRST CHATTANOOGA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCHT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,591.

-30- 348
#90304c0129 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, FLORENCE G SPRUIT, DIR. OF AUTODIE CORP. (TICKER: ADIE), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90304c0130 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, FLORENCE G SPRUIT, DIR. OF AUTODIE CORP. (TICKER: ADIE), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $2.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,800.

-30- 302
#90304c0132 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WILLIAM BIGGANE, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ACM MANAGED INCOME FD INC. (TICKER: AMF), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 349
#90304c0133 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, PETER B BEDFORD, DIR. OF BANKAMERICA CORP. (TICKER: BAC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,000.

-30- 314
#90304c0134 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 290 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90304c0135 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL)

CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 11,250 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90304c0136 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, MARTIN VEGH, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLYN BEAN PUBLISHING LTD. (TICKER: CBEN), SOLD 975 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,250.

-30- 346
#90304c0137 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 22, 1990, WILLIAM E ROWLAND, PRES. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP INC.(MURFREESBORO,TN) (TICKER: CITY), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,837.

-30- 379
#90304c0138 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, ALFRED SHOENBERG, BEN. OWNER OF CORPORATE DATA SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: CODS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90304c0140 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, ALFRED SHOENBERG, BEN. OWNER OF CORPORATE DATA SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: CODS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90304c0141 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 15, 1990, ALFRED SHOENBERG, BEN. OWNER OF CORPORATE DATA SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: CODS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90304c0142 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, ALFRED SHOENBERG, BEN. OWNER OF CORPORATE DATA SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: CODS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90304c0143 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, ALFRED SHOENBERG, BEN. OWNER OF CORPORATE DATA SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: CODS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $3.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 121,000.

-30- 344
#90304c0144 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 03, 1990, ALFRED SHOENBERG, BEN. OWNER OF CORPORATE DATA SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: CODS), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90304c0145 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, ALFRED SHOENBERG, BEN. OWNER OF CORPORATE DATA SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: CODS), SOLD 48,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90304c0146 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ALFRED SHOENBERG, BEN. OWNER OF CORPORATE DATA SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: CODS), SOLD 22,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,500.

-30- 349
#90304c0148 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 31, 1990, RTI LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CANCER TREATMENT HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: CTHI), SOLD 86,957 SHARES AT $1.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,693,293.

-30- 337
#90304c0149 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 07, 1990, RTI LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CANCER TREATMENT HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: CTHI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90304c0150 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 10, 1990, RTI LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CANCER TREATMENT HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: CTHI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,718,293.

-30- 339
#90304c0151 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, RTI LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CANCER TREATMENT HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: CTHI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,683,293.

-30- 337
#90304c0152 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, RTI LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CANCER TREATMENT HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: CTHI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,658,293.

-30- 337
#90304c0153 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, GERALD J BRATTER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CYBEROPTICS CORP. (TICKER: CYBE), SOLD 23,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 368,600.

-30- 345
#90304c0154 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 08, 1990, HOWARD N HEBERT, DIR. OF DBA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DBAS), SOLD 331,389 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90304c0156 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1989, J P BRYAN, CHAIRMAN OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 134,000 SHARES AT $0.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 274,000.

-30- 342
#90304c0157 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 12, 1990, J P BRYAN, CHAIRMAN OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 90,688 SHARES AT $0.26 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 364,688.

-30- 340
#90304c0158 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, J P BRYAN, CHAIRMAN OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 111,111 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90304c0159 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, J P BRYAN, CHAIRMAN OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 24,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 499,799.

-30- 340
#90304c0160 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1990, JOHN B WALKER, PRES. OF ENERGY ASSETS INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: EAIC), BOUGHT 24,496 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124,496.

-30- 340
#90304c0161 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, ANDREW S GOLDSTEIN, VP OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90304c0162 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, ANDREW S GOLDSTEIN, VP OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90304c0164 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GILBERT R GIORDANO, DIR. OF FIRST VIRGINIA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FVB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 168,917.

-30- 330
#90304c0165 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 21, 1990, LUCROS INTERNATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 130,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,784,300.

-30- 345
#90304c0166 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 10, 1990, LUCROS INTERNATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 38,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90304c0167 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 15, 1990, LUCROS INTERNATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 400,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 16,346,300.

-30- 345
#90304c0168 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, LUCROS INTERNATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,326,300.

-30- 343
#90304c0169 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 25, 1990, LUCROS INTERNATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 52,000 SHARES AT $0.51 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,274,630.

-30- 343
#90304c0170 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, LUCROS INTERNATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,264,630.

-30- 343
#90304c0172 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, LUCROS INTERNATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 1,300,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90304c0173 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, LUCROS INTERNATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 400,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,174,630.

-30- 345

#90304c0174 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, LUCROS INTERNATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,124,630.

-30- 343
#90304c0175 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 21, 1990, GAIL S WALKER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 130,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,784,300.

-30- 351
#90304c0176 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 10, 1990, GAIL S WALKER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 38,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90304c0177 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 15, 1990, GAIL S WALKER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 400,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,346,300.

-30- 351
#90304c0178 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, GAIL S WALKER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,326,300.

-30- 350
#90304c0180 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 01, 1990, GAIL S WALKER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY

CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,264,630.

-30- 350
#90304c0181 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, GAIL S WALKER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90304c0182 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, GAIL S WALKER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 1,300,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90304c0183 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, GAIL S WALKER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 400,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,174,630.

-30- 351
#90304c0184 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, GAIL S WALKER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,124,630.

-30- 350
#90304c0185 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LOUIS N PARENT, PRES. OF SAFE-WASTE SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: LPAT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90304c0186 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, JERRY L MCCAULEY, PRES. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 319,817.

-30- 363
#90304c0188 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROBERT H HAINES III, DIR. OF LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: LCBI), BOUGHT 13,300 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,724.

-30- 347
#90304c0189 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $11.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90304c0190 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 223,280.

-30- 335
#90304c0191 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, MAY DEPARTMENTS STORES TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF THE MAY DEPARTMENT STORES CO. (TICKER: MA), BOUGHT 7,200 SHARES AT $42.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90304c0192 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, MAY DEPARTMENTS STORES TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF THE MAY DEPARTMENT STORES CO. (TICKER: MA), BOUGHT 27,562 SHARES AT $43.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90304c0193 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MAY DEPARTMENTS STORES TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF THE MAY DEPARTMENT STORES CO. (TICKER: MA), BOUGHT 15,611 SHARES AT $40.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,120,537.

-30- 380
#90304c0194 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HERBERT MOSKOWITZ, BEN. OWNER OF MARROW-TECH INC. (TICKER: MARO), SOLD 35,934 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90304c0196 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 07, 1989, WILLIAM B ELLIS, SHAREHOLDER OF NORTHEAST UTILITIES (TICKER: NU), SOLD 2,800 SHARES AT $19.82 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,091.

-30- 330
#90304c0197 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 08, 1986, FRANCIS L KINNEY, SHAREHOLDER OF NORTHEAST UTILITIES (TICKER: NU), SOLD 1,961 SHARES AT $17.77 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,958.

-30- 333
#90304c0198 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, ROLAND SEIDLER JR, DIR. OF OPTICAL RADIATION CORP. (TICKER: ORCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,650.

-30- 327
#90304c0199 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, KEITH R SHWAYDER, DIR. OF ORION FINANCIAL LTD. (TICKER: ORFN), SOLD 51,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,546.

-30- 323
#90304c0200 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1989, KEITH R SHWAYDER, DIR. OF ORION FINANCIAL LTD. (TICKER: ORFN), SOLD 818,000 SHARES AT $0.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90304c0201 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 15, 1989, KEITH R SHWAYDER, DIR. OF ORION FINANCIAL LTD. (TICKER: ORFN), SOLD 800,000 SHARES AT $0.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,520,728.

-30- 327
#90304c0202 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 18,500 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90304c0204 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 18,600 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,086,030.

-30- 336
#90304c0205 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, WALTER R WOODS, SHAREHOLDER OF PICO PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: PPI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90304c0206 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, WALTER R WOODS, SHAREHOLDER OF PICO PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: PPI), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90304c0207 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, WALTER R WOODS, SHAREHOLDER OF PICO PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: PPI), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 117,200.

-30- 312
#90304c0208 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, RONALD A WEINSTEIN, DIR. OF QUALITY FOOD CENTERS INC. (TICKER: QFCI), SOLD 31,000 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90304c0209 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RONALD A WEINSTEIN, DIR. OF QUALITY FOOD CENTERS INC. (TICKER: QFCI), SOLD 19,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 446,556.

-30- 339
#90304c0210 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JAMES S DUBOSE, CHAIRMAN OF RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE INVESTMENTS INC. (TICKER: RMI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 96,201.

-30- 360
#90304c0212 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, R RONALD HARE, SHAREHOLDER OF CANTERBURY EDUCATIONAL

SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SKIL), SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT $0.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,500.

-30- 354
#90304c0213 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, RENOLD D THOMPSON, DIR. OF SOCIETY CORP. (TICKER: SOCI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,330.

-30- 302
#90304c0214 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, BRUCE BILLINGTON, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD LOGIC INC. (TICKER: STDL), BOUGHT 210,683 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 884,369.

-30- 354
#90304c0215 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ROBERT G FOSTER, DIR. OF TRANSGENIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: TSIN), BOUGHT 200,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,360,216.

-30- 349
#90304c0216 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GERALD R HEFFERNAN, DIR. OF TEXAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TXI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90304c0217 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GERALD R HEFFERNAN, DIR. OF TEXAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TXI), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90304c0218 10/31/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, GERALD R HEFFERNAN, DIR. OF TEXAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TXI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,971.

-30- 320
#90304c0220 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, KENNETH L NANFITO, CHAIRMAN OF WEDDING INFOMATION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: WINN), BOUGHT 198,827 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 397,653.

-30- 355
#90304c0221 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DOUGLAS A NEWMAN, SHAREHOLDER OF WEDDING INFOMATION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: WINN), SOLD 198,827 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90304c0222 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

CENTENNIAL ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 578,000 SHARES (8.69%) OF BTU INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: BTUI) OF NORTH BILLERICA, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 25, 1990, Centennial Associates LP purchased 164,200 shares at a price of $1.13 per share.

-30- 455
#90304c0223 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY A.S. LIPPA OF MALIBU, CALIFORNIA OWNS 897,500 SHARES (31.90%) OF VEGA BIOTECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: VEGA) OF TUCSON, AZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Arnold S. Lippa has resigned as chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the company but continues as a director of, and consultant to the company. Lothar Stiefel has resigned as voting trustee of the voting trust and Robert S. Green has been appointed as the replacement.

-30- 646
#90304c0224 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 294,000 SHARES (5.00%) OF DEP CORP (TICKER: DEPC) OF RANCHO DOMINGUEZ, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

This amendment is filed to show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board to less than five percent.

-30- 587
#90304c0225 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY E.W. ROSE III OF DALLAS, TEXAS OWNS 925,335 SHARES (19.64%) OF DREW INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: DREW) OF WHITE PLAINS, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Additionally, on Oct. 4, 1990, options owned by EWR to purchase 20,000 shares of common stock at a price of $6.25 per share expired. The beneficially-owned shares exclude 20,000 shares and 10,000 shares subject to presently exercisable options at a price of $5 and $2.90, respectively.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 4 through Oct. 15, 1990, E.W. Rose III purchased 242,872 shares at a price of $1.25 to $1.38 per share.

-30- 787
#90304c0226 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

HC INVESTMENTS INC OWNS 15,280,500 SHARES (28.30%) OF THE CLOROX CO (TICKER: CLX).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 22 through Oct. 30, 1990, HC Investments Inc. purchased 163,500 shares at a price of $32.81 to $33.46 per share.

-30- 425
#90304c0228 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

General Cinema Corp.(TICKER: GCN) announced on Oct. 30, 1990 that it will commence a tender offer for all common shares of Neiman-Marcus Group Inc. (TICKER: NMG) for $14.40 per share in cash pursuant to a merger agreement. Both boards have approved of the merger.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition.

-30- 513
#90304c0230 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

WR GRACE & CO OWNS 2,420,220 SHARES (42.40%) OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CORP (TICKER: CANO) OF PORTER, INDIANA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

WR Grace & Co. purchased 77,300 shares from Oct. 4-26, 1990 for $9.38 to $9.63 per share.

-30- 451
#90304c0231 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY ALPHI INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT CO OWNS 181,100 SHARES (8.00%) OF HARVEY GROUP INC (TICKER: HRA) OF ROSLYN HEIGHTS, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Alphi Investment Management Co. purchased 10,300 shares from Sept. 12 to Oct. 30, 1990 at $1.13 to $1.25 per share.

-30- 486
#90304c0232 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

T.H. KRUTTSCHNITT OWNS 1,510,000 SHARES (9.90%) OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC (TICKER: CSA) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

T.H. Kruttschnitt purchased 301,600 shares from Oct. 26-29, 1990 for $2.63 to $2.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 479
#90304c0233 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY CS FIRST BOSTON INC OWNS 15,141,280 SHARES (70.00%) OF FIRST BRANDS CORP (TICKER: FBR) OF DANBURY, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

First Brands Corp. announced on Oct. 30, 1990 that its major shareholders, Met

Life Insurance and First Boston, have terminated discussions with prospective acquirers of First Brands Corp., citing the difficult economic climate and conditions for financing an acquisition.

-30- 612
#90304c0234 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A. HANSEN OWNS 290,166 SHARES (6.70%) OF BOMBAY PALACE RESTAURANTS INC OF NEW YORK, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 395
#90304c0235 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY CHEMICAL VENTURE CAPITAL ASSOCIATES OWNS 7,248,402 SHARES (63.80%) OF HANGER ORTHOPEDIC GROUP INC (TICKER: HOGG) OF BETHESDA, MD.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 456
#90304c0237 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 29, 1990 the merger under which registrant subsidiary ACMR Acquisition Co. was to merge into American Capital Management & Research Inc. (TICKER: ACA) was effected and approved by American Capital Management & Research Inc.'s stockholders.

PURPOSE:

Completion of merger.

-30- 517
#90304c0238 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 1,020,000 SHARES (7.08%) OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC (TICKER: RES) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 414
#90304c0239 10/31/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY SCOTTI BROTHERS ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRIES INC OWNS 1,087,500 SHARES (56.50%) OF ALL AMERICAN TELEVISION INC (TICKER: ALLT) OF NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 23, 1990 Scotti Brothers Entertainment Industries Inc. made an offer to the board of directors of All American Television Inc. pursuant to which Scotti Brothers Entertainment Industries Inc. would be merged into a subsidiary to be formed by All American Television Inc. All American Television Inc. board of directors accepted the offer on Oct. 25, 1990. Under the offer, All American Television Inc. will issue 14,177,658 common shares to shareholders of Scotti Brothers Entertainment Industries Inc. and 4,666,667 All American Television Inc. common shares and 10,000 convertible All American Television Inc. preferred shares convertible into 4,329,004 All American Television Inc. common shares in exchange for an investment in All American Television Inc. in the amount of $17 million.

-30- 1188
#90304d0010 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ALGIERS (OCT. 31) - Workers at Algeria's major oil port at Arzew have started an open-ended strike to press for wage improvements, the state news agency APS reported here Wednesday.

Oil exports are Algeria's main foreign currency earner, and Arzew with its 749-strong workforce handles 70 percent of the traffic.

-30- 478
#90304d0030 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT. 31) - The Soviet Union has obtained a credit of 1.5 billion francs (about 270 million dollars) from the Soviet Union for the purchase of between three million and four million tonnes of cereals, the French department for external economic relations said on Wednesday.

The sum is part of the five billion francs made available to the Soviet Union during a visit to Paris earlier this week by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

The credits, with a life of two years, will be guaranteed by the French COFACE export insurance authority.

The initial sum will be used firstly for the purchase of soft wheat, and might be used to buy up to 500,000 tonnes of barley.

Recent rumours of wheat sales to the Soviet Union have boosted the French grain market.

-30- 929
#90304d0090 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PORT-LOUIS (OCT. 31) - South African Deputy Trade Minister Theo Alant is to meet next weekend in Mauritius with a group of Mauritian businessman whose companies trade with Pretoria, it was announced.

No official meeting is scheduled to take place during the visit.

A Mauritian delegation headed by Benoit Arouff, the president of the government's export promotion committee, may visit Pretoria in the near future to negotiate a trade agreement between the two countries, informed sources said.

The Mauritian delegation is expected to attempt to open South Africa to Mauritian tea and textile exports.

Mauritius has commercial relations with South Africa, but the two countries do

not have diplomatic ties.

-30- 902
#90304d0110 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (OCT. 31) - Libya has expelled from its territory all members of a Palestinian guerilla group which had pledged to attack U.S. and western interests if western forces attacked Iraq.

A statement issued by the Palestine Liberation Front (Plf) and circulated in Amman expressed shock at the Libyan move.

''We are shocked by the Libyan decision which included closing down our offices on Libyan territory,'' the group, led by Abu Abbas, said in the statement.

Abu Abbas, whose real name is Mahmoud Abbas, is a member of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo) Executive Committee who masterminded the 1985 hijacking of the Achille Lauro Italian cruise ship.

He moved to Baghdad soon after the hijacking and has since stayed in the Iraqi capital. The Plf is a splinter group of the Palestine Liberation Organisation.

''While regretting the move that was taken by a revolutionary and friendly anti-imperialist and anti-Zionist regime, we hope that it will not affect the historic ties between Libya and the Palestinian people,'' the Plf statement said.

The English-language Jordan Times daily Wednesday quoted Plf sources as saying that the move, made last week, was the result of pressure from the United States and Egypt.

The sources said Abu Abbas had also been banned from entering Libya after his group launched an abortive attack on Israeli beaches last May. The United States suspended its dialogue with Plo following the attack.

-30- 1652
#90304d0190 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (OCT. 31) - French President Francois Mitterrand will have talks here Monday with King Hussein of Jordan, officials announced Wednesday.

The monarch, who will be accompanied by Foreign Minister Marwan al-Kassem, is to arrive in France for a working visit Sunday, according to authoritative sources in Amman.

Talks between the two leaders were expected to focus on the visit here by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev last Sunday and Monday, according to Amman

sources.

During his visit Mr. Gorbachev called for an all-Arab conference to settle the Gulf crisis triggered by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Mr. Kassem on Tuesday said that Jordan welcomed the proposal.

King Hussein will attend the two-day World Climate Conference in Geneva on November 6 after his visit to France.

-30- 990

#90304d0200 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (OCT. 31) - Finance and economics ministers of the six-member Arab Cooperation Council (Gcc) will meet in Muscat on Saturday to explore ways of boosting cooperation among their states, it was announced here Wednesday.

The Gcc secretariat General said the finance and economics ministers of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain, Oman and the United Arab Emirates will discuss the how to bolster cooperation, especially ways to support national and joint financial institutions and to legislate economic steps aimed at achieving more unity among their people.

The meeting also will be attended by the governors of the Gcc's central banks, the Gcc statement said.

The finance ministers will also review the results of talks held recently between the Gcc states and the European Community on concluding a free trade agreement, it added.

Earlier, the Gcc's foreign ministers said at the end of their two-day extraordinary session in Riyadh that they planned new peace moves to resolve the Gulf crisis sparked off by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

But they reaffirmed their stance on the need for a total and unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the restoration of the legitimate government there led by exiled Emir Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah.

-30- 1455

#90304d0230 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (OCT. 31) - Egypt's Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid left here for Saudi Arabia Wednesday where he will have one-day talks on the Gulf crisis with his Syrian and Saudi counterparts.

Meguid was accompanied by Osama el Baz, political adviser to Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak.

-30- 477
#90304d0270 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VIENNA (OCT. 31) - NATO and the Warsaw Pact leaders will next month sign a treaty on cutting conventional forces in Europe (CFE) just before a summit Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE), CSCE sources said here Wednesday.

The signing ceremony on November 19, the first day of the CSCE summit in Paris will be attended by the 12 heads of government whose countries were not involved in the CFE negotiations.

The 34-member CSCE comprises the United States, Canada and all European countries except Albania.

Leaders of the 16-nation North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and the six-nation Warsaw Pact will also sign a declaration of non-aggression, in line with a NATO resolution adopted in London last July.

The signature of a three-part document on a "united, peaceful and democratic Europe" as well as "guidelines" and "institutions" was to be the summit highlight on November 21, the last of the three-day meeting.

The first part is a declaration of intent spelling out that the rule of law, democracy and human rights are as necessary to a united, peaceful and democratic Europe as friendly relations among CSCE members.

The second sets guidelines on matters including security, human rights, economics, the environment, culture, and the Mediterranean Sea. Sources within the CSCE preparatory committee said a broad agreement had been reached on opening the 22-nation CFE talks to all other CSCE nations by 1992.

The third part calls for minister meetings at least once a year, the creation of a CSCE secretariat, probably in Prague, and a conflict-prevention centre, probably in Vienna.

Differences subsist over plans for a CSCE parliamentary body, with the U.S. Congress reportedly opposed to a move that could make the existing parliamentary assembly of the Council of Europe redundant.

French President Francois Mitterrand is to open the summit with an address to CSCE leaders at the Paris Conference Centre on November 19.

-30- 2203
#90304d0280 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 31) - Japanese industrial-machinery giant Komatsu Ltd. said Wednesday its net profit climbed 20.5 percent from a year earlier to 9.2

billion yen (67 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, the world's second-biggest manaufacturer of construction machinery, said sales grew 14 percent to 333 billion yen (2.4 billion dollars) boosted by new products and strong demand in Southeast Asia.

Construction machinery sales leapt 16.4 percent to 268 billion yen (1.9 billion dollars) while sales of industrial machinery climbed 13.2 percent to 36 billion yen (263 million dollars).

But sales of components and other items fell 3.8 percent to 29 billion yen (210 million dollars), reflecting a slowdown in defense orders, it said.

Komatsu said that Southeast Asian infrastrucure projects had boosted demand for construction equipment, offsetting slower demand from the United States and Europe. But it warned that the "overall flatness of overseas markets" carried "the potential for further slackening in the future."

The company forecast its net profit to climb 21.6 per cent to 21 billion yen (152 million dollars) in the year to March with sales advancing nine percent to 685 billion yen (five billion dollars).

-30- 1453

#90304d0350 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (OCT. 31) - Former Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone is expected here Saturday to start a three-day visit during which he is to meet President Saddam Hussein, a Japanese embassy spokesman announced Wednesday.

Mr. Nakasone is to discuss the release of some 350 Japanese nationals currently held in Iraq and Kuwait, the spokesman added.

Nearly 140 of the 350 have been held hostage at strategic sites in Iraq since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2, he said.

Western and Japanese citizens have been used as "human shields" by Iraqi authorities anxioys to deter a U.S.-led attack on Baghdad.

The present Japanese prime minister, Toshki Kaifu, said Monday that Mr. Nakasone's visit was part of Japan's efforts to secure "contacts with Iraq at all levels".

President Hussein last week criticized a decision by Tokyo to send non-combat troops to the Gulf, describing it as "an act of hostility toward Iraq".

Mr. Hussein also maintained that Japan's contribution of four billion dollars to help finance the multinational force in the Gulf reflected "pressure by the United States."

-30- 1309
#90304d0400 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KARLSRUHE, GERMANY (OCT. 31) - Germany's highest court on Wednesday ruled that the decision by two West German states to grant voting rights to foreigners in local elections was unconstitutional.

The court said that "the power of the state in the Federal Republic derives from German citizens," and therefore only German citizens were entitled to vote.

In a groundbreaking move, the northern state of Schleswig-Holstein and the city of Hamburg, both run by left-wing majorities, enfranchised foreigners before municipal elections in February last year.

But Chancellor Helmut Kohl's conservative Christian Democratic Union (CDU) and the Bavarian CSU, a CDU ally, took the matter before the constitutional court, arguing that the franchise of foreigners had altered the makeup of the electorate in the two states.

The opposition Social Democratic Party's (SDP) parliamentary group Vice-President Willfried Penner denounced Wednesday's decision, saying that "The constitution must be modified to permit foreigners the right to vote," and in particular for European Economic Community nationals.

Germany counts more than five million foreigners, one third of them Turkish nationals.

-30- 1400
#90304d0420 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABU DHABI (OCT. 31) - The sirens were sounded, gas masks were donned and a voice on the megaphone told people to stay in their homes and switch their air conditioners off.

This was the scene at the graduation ceremony of about 800 civil defence volunteers in Abu Dhabi Tuesday, during a demonstration that showed the graduates' skills in defending citizens, the Uae's daily Gulf News reported Wednesday.

The exercise was part of preparations in the Uae and other Gulf states to teach people how to survive a nerve gas attack should a war between Iraq and its enemies in the U.S.-led western alliance break out in the Gulf region.

''Let it be known that whereas Uae nationals have volunteered for the nation's defence, here they have also volunteered to defend lives,'' Brigadier General Suhail Mohammed Abdullah, Inspector General at the Uae ministry of Interior,

was quoted by the paper as saying.

He added that the volunteers, who have been training for three weeks, are well prepared for any emergency, including fires, chemical warfare or radiation.

Volunteers demonstrated what would happen in a nerve gas attack, and some fell to the ground and began to convulse, while others representing the civil defence team, rushed to the scene wearing complete chemical warfare protection gear.

Female volunteers wore gas masks over their ''hejab'' (veil) and simulated attending to a nerve gas victim.

-30- 1606

#90304d0600 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOGADISHU (OCT. 31) - Somalia's police chief Brigadier-General Abdurahman Abdi Hussen has vowed to crack down on demonstrators in the wake of bloody demonstrations that left three people dead and 31 injured last week.

Brig.-Gen. Abdurahman told journalists on Tuesday that the demonstrations were staged by "hooligans and anarchists bent on looting."

Organisers of the October 23 demonstration said it was held to protest against the continued detention of political prisoners under security laws that were theoretically scrapped when a new constitution took effect on October 12.

The number of political detainees in Somalia is unknown. Nine prisoners went on strike two weeks ago in the central prison here in protest against their detention without trial. They were arrested in July last year for allegedly distributing seditious literature.

Last week police in combat gear patrolled the main streets of the Somali capital of Mogadishu as President Siad Barre inspected shops looted during the demonstration.

Brig.-Gen. Abdurahman said intermittent gunfire was heard in the city because guards of government officials and embassies often fired warning shots.

He warned that action would be taken against them if they did not stop firing without reasonable cause.

He praised police for maintaining law and order at great personal risk, saying 13 policemen had been killed in the past three months.

-30- 1619

#90304d0620 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 31) - The Bank of France on Wednesday cut its key rates by one quarter of a point, reducing its tender rate from 9.5 percent to 9.25 percent, and its repurchase rate for five to 10 days from 10.25 percent to 10 percent.

The bank said that the move was justified by the "firmness" of the French franc and by recent statistics on money supply.

-30- 531

#90304d0630 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (OCT. 31) - The government Wednesday gave the go-ahead to local magnate Li Ka-shing's pan-Asia satellite television plan using Hong Kong as its base.

The approval, given on condition that the network would serve "an audience principally outside Hong Kong," was contained in an official compromise policy aimed at ending a feud between local satellite and cable television interests.

To appease competition worries expressed by Hong Kong Cable Communications Ltd., the colony's policy-making Executive Council slapped a three-year ban on Cantonese programmes carried by satellite.

Cantonese is the predominant southern Chinese language spoken here.

HutchVision, a fully owned subsidiary of Mr. Li's Hutchison Whampoa Ltd., planned to launch at year-end a 400 million U.S. dollar satellite television service for a potential audience of 2.3 billion people from Japan to India.

The six-channel service, using Hong Kong as its base, would be beamed via AsiaSat 1, which was boosted into orbit in April.

HutchVison's managing director, Richard Li, welcomed the Hong Kong government's "definitive decision," adding that he would make "a final announcement" on the issue soon.

The colony's satellite television ruling Wednesday also bars licensees from financing "their business through subscription in Hong Kong" during Cable Communications' license exclusivity, expected to be around six years.

Cable Communications is an international consortium led by Hong Kong tycoon Sir Yue-kong Pao's Wharf Group. It was handpicked by the government about 14 months ago to launch a 705 million U.S. dollar cable television network here next year.

-30- 1854

#90304d0640 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 31) - The German government has promised the Philippines a total

of 97 million marks (64 million dollars) in capital aid and technical assistance, Bonn said Wednesday.

The Ministry for Economic Cooperation said the aid above all will help the economic reconstruction of the areas on Luzon Island which were devasted by an earthquake last July.

The aid will also be used for improving electricity supplies in Manila and for health care and agricultural projects, it said.

The package includes 70 million marks' worth of capital aid and 27 million marks' in technical cooperation assistance, Bonn said.

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#90304d0670 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 31) - The Philippine peso was devalued 8.7 percent to a new low of 28 pesos to one U.S. dollar Wednesday in a move to encourage exports and overseas remittances and end speculation, officials said.

Since the start of the year, this represents a 24.5 percent depreciation against the dollar, 32 percent against the yen and around 60 percent against leading European currencies.

Central Bank (CB) governor Jose Cuisia said the depreciation would boost exports by 300 to 350 million dollars and shrink imports by 100 to 150 million dollars this year alone.

The Philippines' trade deficit from January to August 1990 amounted to 2.56 billion dollars, about 50 percent higher than the corresponding deficit in 1989.

But Mr. Cuisia acknowledged that the benifits of the depreciation, coupled with planned fiscal reforms, would be fully felt only in 1992.

The immediate effects would include a rise in the cost of imports and of servicing the country's 27 billion dollar foreign debt.

The country's balance of payments deficit could hit 800 million pesos (28.6 million dollars) this year, Mr. Cuisia said.

Manila has failed to hold to its basic agreement with the International Monetary Fund and is expecting an IMF mission to shape a new financial agreement.

Mr. Cuisia added that the experience of other Southeast Asian countries that allowed their currencies to depreciate in the 1960s and 1970s -- as the Philippines protected the peso -- showed that an early depreciation would spur

long-term growth.

He said the rising cost of oil and the continuing financial shortages made it necessary to take measures to generate foreign exchange or there would be even higher inflation as well as shortages of basic commodities.

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#90304d0700 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUSCAT (OCT. 31) - King Hussein of Jordan arrived here Wednesday to start a 48-hour visit and talks with the Omani leader, Sultan Qaboos bin Said, official sources reported.

They said the two leaders would examine prospects for a peaceful resolution of the situation in the Gulf, where the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait will enter its fourth month on Friday, the sources said.

Several Gulf states, notably Saudi Arabia, have criticized what they say has been Jordanian sympathy for Iraq, as well as Amman's opposition to the deployment of foreign troops in the Gulf.

But Oman, although a partner of Saudi Arabia in the Gulf Cooperation Council, has continued to maintain good relations with Jordan.

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#90304d0790 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 31) - Moldavian nationalists have gone on the rampage in the southwestern Soviet republic, seizing communist party buildings, kidnapping army officers and threatening to kill border guards, according to media reports here Wednesday.

In one incident, more than 3,000 nationalist "volunteers" Tuesday night seized two checkpoints on the Soviet-Romanian border, threatening to kill the frontier guards and their families if interior ministry troops were not withdrawn from the south of the republic, Tass news agency reported.

Quoting Soviet border officials, Tass said the "volunteers", who want to crush a secession attempt by the 150,000 strong Gagauz minority in the south of their republic, also threatened to tear down the border posts and cross into Romania to seek aid.

The nationalists agreed to leave the border posts after several hours of negotiations with authorities Wednesday morning, the agency added.

Two regiments of interior ministry troops -- one based in the Ukraine, the other in Kishinev, the Moldavian capital -- have been rushed to the Gagauz territory to prevent the Moldavian "volunteers" from entering the area.

The volunteers had converged on the region at the weekend after the ethnic-Turkish Gagauz went ahead with elections to their own "independent" parliament, in defiance of the republican parliament in Kishinev which declared the move illegal. Kishinev has declared a state of emergency in the Gaugaz region.

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#90304d0860 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT. 31) - Western economies appear to have settled nervously into what analysts see as a "phoney crisis" because of Iraq's occupation of Kuwait, which goes into its fourth month on Friday.

Motorists do feel the pinch of dearer petrol at the pump, businesses face increased transport costs, and oil-dependent industries like chemicals, the airlines and shipping clearly take a more pessimistic view of the near term.

Major Western automobile companies are also bracing for troubled times ahead.

But by and large, the mood appears to be business more or less as usual in most manufacturing industry and services sectors, as business people get used to living with present uncertainties.

Three months into the Gulf crisis "we still have a fear-of-war and hope-of-peace situation," a senior Western energy official said. But, he added, "this is not an oil shock."

International economists, who see the problem as serious enough but manageable so far, agree that a real shock is inevitable if a shooting war erupts in the Gulf, with soaring crude prices, a drop in output and a collapse of business confidence.

Oil prices have broadly doubled since Saddam Hussein's forces invaded Kuwait on August 2 and the world community responded with an embargo on Iraqi oil and crude from occupied Kuwait.

Major European oil importers paid between 30.50 and 31.15 dollars a barrel for their September crude purchases, against just over 21.50 dollars in August and about 15 dollars in June.

This has begun to show up in rising oil import bills and moderately higher inflation rates in major consumer countries, as signs of somewhat slower economic growth have begun to emerge in member countries of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

In Western Europe and Japan consumer and business confidence on the whole seems to be holding up well, and so does investment, international economists

said, citing reunified Germany as an "engine of growth."

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#90304d0890 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (OCT. 31) - The German central Bundesbank is to remain in Frankfurt instead of moving to Berlin with the government as required by its 1957 statute, the German parliament decided late on Tuesday.

When the Bank was created, it was stipulated that it would establish its headquarters in the same place as the government, but that for as long as Berlin was not the seat of government, it would be based in Frankfurt.

German press reports said that the decision to maintain the bank's headquarters in Frankfurt signalled an ambition for it to become the future central bank for the European Economic Community.

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#90304d0900 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 31) - A national census has put the Chinese population at about 20 million higher than projected, officials said Wednesday, calling for stricter family planning measures in the world's most populous country.

State Statistics Bureau Director Zhang Sai downplayed "the relative failure" of family planning efforts in China, whose population was counted at 1,133,682,501 as of July 1, according to preliminary census results.

The Chinese government instituted a draconian birth control policy aimed at stemming a population explosion after the communists came to power in 1949.

The official People's Daily in a Wednesday editorial blamed sporadic baby booms and "ineffective family planning programs in many areas" for an annual population increase of 17 million.

"As a result, population control is still an arduous task for China," it said, and called for action from officials at all levels.

But the communist party organ said the census figures show that China has achieved "fruitful results in controlling population growth and in raising the people's living standard."

Mr. Zhang said at a news conference that the margin of error in the census was reduced to 0.6 per 1,000 citizens or 6.8 million people, roughly the population of Switzerland or Cambodia.

The only surprise in the census was the high number -- about 55.5 million -- of unreported deaths, he added. Observers said many families fail to report

deaths so they can keep collecting rice or other commodities rationed to the deceased.

Preliminary results, released late Tuesday, await final tabulation by computer. For now, many questions are unanswered, including the number of "black babies" hidden to avoid punishment for violation of China's policy of one child per family.

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#90304d0920 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 31) - India returned its attention to a political crisis Wednesday as a second minister quit the cabinet of embattled Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh, who himself offered to step down.

The crisis was briefly overshadowed by its cause -- a bitter row over a crumbling 16th-century Moslem mosque in the northern town of Ayodhya, stormed by hundreds of Hindus Tuesday.

But it was quickly back in the limelight as sports minister Bhakta Charan Das resigned, slamming the government for steering the country into chaos and questioning "our dubious right to stay in office."

Mr. Das joined environment minister Maneka Gandhi, who quit after the crisis erupted October 23 with the loss of legislative support for the National Front coalition.

He said the Front had driven India to a "situation where vast social strife and confrontation (have) posed a danger to the unity and integrity of the country."

"The whole nation is burning and we are trying to save our government," he said.

Mr. Das referred to tensions over the temple-mosque dispute and widespread protests over a plan reserving almost half of all government jobs for the lower castes.

Hindu-Moslem violence over the dispute has left more than 100 people dead in a week. Six people were killed in police gunfire Tuesday when Hindus stormed the mosque, which they claim was built after demolition of a temple.

The government's attempts to thwart Hindu plans to raze the mosque and replace it with a temple prompted the revivalist Bharatiya Janata Party to withdraw its vital legislative backing for the government on October 23.

Mr. V.P. Singh, who then refused to quit and declared he would prove a majority in parliament on November 7, offered to step down late Tuesday if his

coalition wanted him out.

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#90304d0930 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Paris (OCT. 31) - The French national bank announced here Wednesday a one-quarter percentage point cut in its two leading interest rates, saying the franc's recent sturdiness vis-a-vis the Deutschmark permittedd the move.

The intervention, or discount, rate was lowered to 9.25 percent and the rate for five to ten-day security repurchasing agreements to 10.0 percent.

The bank said it felt it could lower the rates because for weeks now the franc had remained steady against the mark, at the same time that prices had remained relatively stable.

In an immediate market response to the move, the Cac index on the Paris stock exchange rose 1.1 percent to 1,631.22 points.

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#90304d0950 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TIRANA (OCT. 31) - Albania, Europe's poorest nation and until recently a paragon of Stalinist-style communism, is making its first attempts to encourage the free-market techniques that are sweeping the rest of eastern Europe.

President Ramiz Alia has said that "a new economic mechanism" will be set up in 1991, giving enterprises some financial independence with a view to making them profitable.

And a timid step towards a market economy was taken when the government gave about 100 people permission to open stores such as butcher's, baker's and cobbler's shops, as long as they employed only family members.

"Practice will prove if the experiment should be broadened to include other sectors," said Professor Hekuran Mara, one of the country's most influential economists.

Despite the higher prices charged by these private enterprises, the experiment has proved popular both with the entrepreneurs and their customers.

Even Mr. Mara admitted to buying meat from a private butcher, because in state-run shops it was rationed to one kilo (2.2 pounds) a week per family.

Xhavit Gazheli, 50, opened a butcher's shop three months ago in the capital.

Mr. Gazheli, who used to work in a state-run butcher's shop earning 500 leks (50 dollars at the official exchange rate) a month, said he now made twice

that.

The average salary is 475 leks (47.50 dollars), the minimum is 400 leks (40 dollars), a qualified labourer earns 600 leks (60 dollars) and the official maximum salary is 1,200 leks (120 dollars).

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#90304d1020 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 31) - The German parliament urged the government to take rapid steps to curb global warming on Wednesday during a debate on the protection of the atmosphere.

The lawmakers cited scientists' warnings that temperatures could climb by four degrees in the coming decades, having disastrous consequences for much of the world.

Environmental Minister Klaus Toepfer said the Cabinet would present a ''common position for action'' in November.

The parliament was debating the so-called Enquete Commission's final report on protecting the atmosphere.

Christian Democrat (Cdu) Bernd Schmidbauer, the commission's chairman, said that by 1991 laws should be on the books promoting energy savings and the greater use of wind and sun power.

While the German government believes a reduction of carbon dioxide emissions - a major factor in global warming - by 25 per cent by 2005 is possible, the commission demands a cut of at least 30 per cent.

Partisan disagreement arose on nuclear energy and a highway speed limit. A proposal by the Social Democrats (Spd) to impose a speed limit on top of energy taxes to help reduce carbon dioxide emissions was rejected.

And although the ruling coalition of the Cdu and Free Democrats wants to maintain the status quo on the use of nuclear energy, the Spd, Green Party and Alliance 90 are pressing for a total ban.

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#90304d1050 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANUR BEACH, Indonesia (OCT. 31) - The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) moves one step closer to becoming a regional common market by adopting a new import tariff measure to boost trade among its six members, officials and analysts said Wednesday.

ASEAN economic ministers at a meeting here endorsed Tuesday an Indonesian

proposal for enforcing common tariffs, initially on a selected number of manufactured goods, in a bid to bolster still meagre intra-ASEAN trade.

The scheme, which Philippine Secretary of Trade and Industry Jose Conception described as a "radical approach," would complement an existing ASEAN program granting preferential tariffs for goods traded among member countries.

"We are moving in the right step towards liberalising trade as well as probably even investment in the region," Mr. Conception said Tuesday after the two-day meeting.

ASEAN, formed in 1967 to promote economic cooperation in non-communist Southeast Asia, groups Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

Manila has been the most vocal in calling for the creation of a common market while Indonesia, until recently, had been reluctant fearing it would see its huge market of 184 million people flooded by goods from ASEAN countries.

Attitudes have changed as ASEAN members accept the need for closer economic cooperation in the face of the European Community's single market in 1992 and the United States' free trade pact with Canada.

In Indonesia, a wave of deregulation measures since the mid-1980s, has also led staunch supporters of trade protection to change their minds.

Industry Minister Hartarto, once nicknamed "Mr. No" for his persistent refusals to open Indonesia's manufacturing sector to foreign competition, is now "Mr. Go" in ASEAN circles, Indonesian sources said.

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#90304d1180 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HEERLEN, Netherlands (OCT. 31) - The Dutch DSM chemicals firm said on Wednesday that it is to build a caprolactam factory in South Korea with two local partners and will be responsible for half of the total cost of about 200 million dollars.

The partners are the Kolon textile company and the Nam Hae fertiliser manufacturer.

DSM will hold 50 percent of the new company, Kolon 30 percent and Nam Hae 20 percent.

At full capacity, the factory will produce 100,000 tons a year of caprolactam, a basic product for the manufacture of nylon-6 which is used in textiles, carpets and cogged wheels.

The agreement will make DSM the biggest producer in the world.

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#90304d1200 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRID (OCT. 31) - The Spanish frigate Numancia and the corvettes Diana and Infanta Cristina sailed for the Gulf Wednesday to replace three warships that were sent to the region in August, officials said Wednesday.

The three vessels left the ports of Rota and Cartagena with a total 525 men on board. They will replace the frigate Santa Maria and the corvettes Cazadora and Descubierta which had a crew of 500.

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#90304d1220 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 31) - A Malaysian toy manufacturer is hoping to revive its failing prospects with a "Gulf War" board game which it will bring out just in time for Christmas.

Yim Tam Tak, managing director of the Yimi toy company of Kuala Lumpur, said he hoped to sell between 300,000 to 500,000 boxes of the board game.

According to a report in Wednesday's British daily, The Independent, the Yimi toy company was "being deluged" with inquiries from shops in Britain, Europe and the United States.

Mr. Yim, denying that the board game might be considered tasteless while hostages were being held and soldiers were preparing for war, said: "We don't have any ill intention. We don't take sides or make political points. Everything in the game depends on strategy and the calculation of possibilities. Either side can win."

He said the company had been working on a very similar board game to be called "Superpowers," based on the struggle between the Soviet Union and the United States. But then the Cold War ended and would have scuppered the company's plans if Iraq had not invaded Kuwait in August.

The Yimi toy company changed its U.S.S.R v. U.S.A game into a U.S.A v. Iraq game. "It's the same game, really," Mr Yim told The Independent. "The map on the box is different, but the rules have not changed and some of the players are the same."

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#90304d1230 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 31) - Japan's tax revenue in September totaled 2.867 trillion yen (about 22.2 billion dollars), up 9.4 percent from a year earlier, the finance

ministry reported Wednesday.

The year-on-year growth compared with a rise of 20 percent in August.

The September figure indicated that high-pitched tax revenue growth has apparently peaked, ministry officials said.

The officials said that the September revenue included income tax of 1.312 trillion yen (10.17 billion dollars), up 21.8 percent from a year before.

Revenue from corporate tax grew 0.9 percent to 481.7 billion yen (3.73 billion dollars), the officials said.

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#90304d1240 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 31) - The Russian Supreme Soviet on Wednesday voted to assume control over all resources and property in the republic, other than those belonging to the Soviet Defence and KGB ministries.

The parliament voted by 200 to nil, with three abstentions, to grant its council of ministers full economic powers, including the right to ratify all foreign trade agreements which affect the Russian federation.

The Russian federation, the largest and most powerful of the Soviet republics, was no longer responsible for any of the foreign trade agreements concluded by the union government.

Foreign businesses wishing to operate on its territory would have to register with the Russian Council of Ministers, according to the law.

Hard currency, gold and diamonds reserves held by the union government were the common property of all 15 Soviet republics and the Russian share of these assets could only be used with the republic's consent.

Changes in property laws, including privatizations, would be handled by the Russian government, which reserved the right to overturn any union law which might contradict its own legislation.

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#90304d1360 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO, Oct 31 (AFP) - Japan said Wednesday it would make no more financial contributions to help the U.S-led multinational force in the Gulf.

"The government is not considering extending any further financial support," Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto told a special committee debating a bill to send non-combatant Japanese forces to the Gulf.

Japan has so far pledged two billion dollars to the multinational force as well as another two billion dollars in aid to countries in the region hard hit by the United Nations embargo against Iraq.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu rejected an opposition call for a major revision of the controversial U.N. Peace Cooperation bill, although he said he would consider a partial revision.

The bill calls for the creation of a U.N. peace cooperation corps which would be non-combatant and would be deployed aboard in peacekeeping activities.

Meanwhile, Deputy Foreign Minister Hisahi Owada left for Moscow for talks with Soviet presidential envoy Yevgeny Primakov on the Gulf crisis.

Observers noted that it is rare for Japan to consult with the Soviet Union on an international crisis.

Mr. Owada should leave Moscow on November 2 to visit Britain, Italy, France and the United States for similar consultations. He will return to Tokyo around November 10, foreign ministry officials said.

Former premier Yasuhiro Nakasone, scheduled to leave for Iraq on Saturday, said he would do his utmost to persuade Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to hold peace talks and free foreign hostages.

"I don't know if I can do what I expect to, but I will throw myself into the task," he was quoted as saying by his aides.

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#90304d1390 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (OCT. 31) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze are expected to meet next week in Geneva to discuss arms control and the Gulf crisis, the Soviet Interfax news agency reported Wednesday quoting foreign ministry sources.

The meeting would probably be held on Nov. 8 or 9, Interfax added.

In Washington, the State Department announced earlier that after Mr. Baker's tour of the Middle East he would meet Mr. Shevardnadze somewhere in Europe next week.

In addition to the situation in the Gulf and Middle East, the two men would discuss the reduction of conventional forces in Europe (CFE) and strategic arms reductions (START), U.S. State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said.

A CFE agreement is expected to be reached before the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe to be held later this month in Paris, while a START agreement is expected before the end of the year.

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#90304d1400 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 31) - The head of 8,000 British troops based in the Gulf said Wednesday that a military offensive against Iraqi occupation forces in Kuwait was becoming ''increasingly likely''.

Air Chief Marshall Sir Paddy Hine said his troops would be fully operational in two weeks at the most, and that they would be able to implement any political decision to wage war.

Hine said he thought it unlikely that Iraqi would undertake an unconditional pullout from Kuwait, which it invaded August 2 and later annexed.

Coordination between the multinatinal force in the Gulf region was functionning well, but Hine said he would welcome the nomination of a commander in chief for all these armies.

This commander should be a United States officer because the U.S. has the strongest contingent with about 210,000 troops, Hine added.

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#90304d1420 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (OCT. 31) - Turkey considers recent clashes between the ethnic Turkish minority in Moldavia and Moldavian militants as an internal Soviet affair, the Turkish foreign ministry said Wednesday.

Foreign ministry spokesman Murat Sungar said that Turkey would examine the events within the context of recent changes in the Soviet republics, and emphasized that the affair was a "Soviet domestic matter."

He also announced that a foreign ministry delegation would visit the Soviet republic of Turkmeniya to discuss possible development of economic relations, and to deal with bilateral relations between Turkey and the southern Soviet republics, notably the Turkish-speaking areas.

The initiative reflects Turkey's new policy of developing ties with these areas following the reopening of the Sarp border post on the Black Sea in 1988.

Turkey's attention has been principally concentrated on Moldavia, Georgia, the Ukraine and Azerbaijan.

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#90304d1490 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (OCT. 31) - Georgia's pro-independence "Round Table-Free Georgia" coalition seemed headed for victory in the parliamentary elections, according to initial results released Wednesday.

The multi-party election -- the first in the Soviet Caucasian republic since the Bolsheviks came to power -- was held Sunday.

Georgians voted twice. Once, on a first-past-the-post territorial basis and once on a proportional basis for a party list.

A total of 125 deputies were to be elected on the territorial basis and 125 more on the proportional basis.

With one third of the votes counted in the proportional election, "Round Table-Free Georgia" led with 57 per cent of the vote, followed by the Communists with 25 per cent of the vote, Tass news agency said. Nine other parties or coalitions shared the remaining votes.

According to unofficial results, the "Round Table-Free Georgia" coalition had also won 34 seats outright on the territorial basis, while the Communist party had won 16, Tass said.

Tass earlier reported that the Communists had won 22 seats.

Four independent candidates were also elected, along with one representative of the Popular Front and one from the "Democratic Georgia" party, Interfax news agency said.

Runoff elections are to be held in about 60 electoral regions where electors either boycotted the polls or where none of the candidates polled more than half the votes.

The leader of "Round Table-Free Georgia", Zviad Gamsakhudia, said that if his coalition won, it would ask the Georgian parliament to adopt a declaration of independence.

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#90304d1510 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (OCT. 31) - Bavaria's Christian Social Union (Csu), part of the German ruling coalition, urged the government of Chancellor Helmut Kohl on Wednesday to increase contacts to Saudi Arabia and make it clear that its safety was a central German concern.

Ortwin Lowack, the Csu's foreign policy spokesman, said safeguarding Saudi oil fields from ''Iraq's lust for power'' was a vital German interest.

The German government must underscore its friendship with Saudi Arabia so as not to ''appear in an unfavourable light'', he said.

According to Lowack, that was ''all the more urgent'' because the Saudi foreign minister ''barely avoided a loss of face'' during his recent visit to Germany.

Lowack was alluding to Bonn's announcement during the visit that it would not supply Saudi Arabia with arms.

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#90304d1620 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 31) - Germany has the world's highest percentage of the elderly, with an average 45 centenarians for every one million people, official figures released here Wednesday said.

Research Minister Heinz Riesenhuber said 15 per cent of the total population of 78 million were older than 65 years. This percentage would double by the year 2030.

There are 2.3 million people older than 80, almost four times their number 40 years ago, while the birthrate has dropped over the same period.

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#90304d1660 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT. 31) - Israeli Defence Minister Moshe Arens has suggested laying off the 130,000 Palestinians working in Israel and giving their jobs to unemployed Jews, Israeli army radio reported Wednesday.

It said the cabinet would discuss Arens' proposal, which also envisages the creation of new jobs in the occupied territories to absorb the redundant Palestinians.

Israel, where unemployment is currently running at about 10 per cent, will need hundreds of thousands of new jobs in the next few years to provide work for the influx of Jews from the Soviet Union.

This year alone, more than 150,000 Jewish immigrants are expected from the Soviet Union.

In the occupied West Bank and the Gaza Strip, the unemployment rate among Palestinians stands at 25 per cent.

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#90304d1700 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (OCT. 31) - Israeli immigration reached a record high in October, when 21,000 people -- including 20,000 Soviet Jews -- entered the country, Integration Minister Yitzhak Peretz announced Wednesday.

"By our previsions, the numbers for November and December should be even higher," according to Mr. Peretz, who said 19,500 immigrants came to Israel in September.

Since the start of the year, 134,500 immigrants have arrived, including 122,000 from the Soviet Union, the minister added.

Finance Minister Yitzhak Modai recently warned that Israel would need an annual industrial growth rate of eight per cent in order to absorb the influx.

"By the end of 1992 we will have to build 250,000 housing units and create 500,000 new jobs," he said.

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#90304d1830 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KAGITUMBA, RWANDA (OCT. 31) - Fighting erupted Wednesday between Rwandan government forces and rebels at Kagitumba, on the Ugandan border, witnesses who saw the fighting from the Ugandan side said.

On Tuesday the Rwandan army reoccupied Kagitumba, the border post where rebels of the Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) set up their rear camp when they invaded north-east Rwanda from neighbouring Uganda on October 1.

The rebels had withdrawn from Kagitumba a few hours earlier, probably into the hills of the nearby Akagera national park, Ugandan army commanders said.

The witnesses said the rebels had apparently attacked from the park on Wednesday. The number of casualties was unknown.

Government forces entered the border post after shelling it for most of the day Tuesday, Ugandan soldiers at the border said.

Government troops supported by tanks and armoured personnel carriers besieged the post in the morning hours of Tuesday. Hundreds of troops were transported to the border post in dozens of buses and lorries.

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#90304d1870 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (OCT. 31) - The foreign ministers of Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Syria met in the Saudi city of Jeddah Wednesday to discuss recent Soviet moves to find a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

The Qatari News Agency reported that Saudi Arabia's Saud al-Faisal, his Egyptian counterpart Esmat Abdel-Meguid and Faruk al-Sharaa from Syria debated the outcome of a mission by Soviet Presidential envoy Yevgeni Primakov to Arab capitals.

Primakov has conferred with officials in Egypt, Iraq and Saudi Arabia, where he also met members of the exiled Kuwaiti government. Moscow has not confirmed reports saying his trip, which received a cool response in Washington and London, was unsuccessful.

The Jeddah meeting was expected to last one day. Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Syria are spearheading the Arab front against Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait. Egyptian and Syrian forces are based in Saudi Arabia to fend off a possible Iraqi attack.

In Washington, Iraq's ambassador to the United States, Mohammed Al-Mashat, delivered an impassioned plea for a negotiated settlement of the Gulf crisis, saying Iraq was ''ready now'' to begin negotiations ''with any nation''.

His statement came as Iraqi President Saddam Hussein put his military staff on alert Tuesday for a possible military assault by a U.S.-led multinatinal force in Saudi Arabia.

In Paris, French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas Wednesday said the proposal of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on Monday to find an inter-Arab solution to the Gulf crisis was ''interesting'', and he supported this idea for a ''peaceful solution'' of the crisis.

''Any solutionn should occur under the condition of an (Iraqi) withdrawal from Kuwait... and the release of all hostages who were held wrongly in Iraq,'' Dumas added.

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#90304d1990 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (OCT 31) - The oil market continues to be well supplied, and supply and demand appear to be in better balance than at the end of September, the International Energy Agency said here on Wednesday in a report on the market situation.

"The level of stocks is normal, supply adequate and price fluctuations are not linked to fundamental market factors," German representative Ulrich Engelmann, who chaired the meeting, said.

The IEA, which groups 21 countries, said that oil companies would have to draw 0.7 million barrels per day from stocks in the fourth quarter of 1990 and 0.4 million in the first quarter of 1991 in order to balance supply and demand.

The IEA had earlier said that they would have to draw down 1.5 million barrels and 1.3 million barrels.

But the report warned that "the oil market remains at the mercy of new disruptions" and governments "must continue to be ready to act if the market situation requires it".

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#90304d2070 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 31) - South African nudists at an isolated colony have been ordered to cover up after tough Afrikaner farmers blamed them for drought in the area, according to a radio report Wednesday.

Beau Brummell, a former rock singer, and now owner of a nudist colony near the conservative town of Warmbaths, some 120 kilometres (75 miles) north of here, said farmers in the area were blaming nudists soaking in the blazing African sun for the crippling drought.

He said he had asked nudists intending to visit his colony to cover up this coming weekend because he had had complaints from farmers that his guests were the cause of the drought.

"We will be wearing bathing costumes to bring on the rain so we can fill the dams ... so we can go nude again", Mr. Brummell told commercial radio 702.

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#90304d2110 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOVE TO KIDNAP INDIAN SPACE RESEARCH CHIEF FOILED, OFFICIAL SAYS

NEW DELHI (OCT 31) - Police in the southern city of Bangalore Wednesday arrested five men they said planned to kidnap Udipi Ramachandra Rao, chairman of the Indian Space Research Organisation.

The United News of India quoted the city's commissioner of police as saying the group had hoped to obtain the release of an arrested Hindu leader.

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#90304d2210 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (OCT 31) - German elder statesman Willy Brandt was due to have talks with United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar late Wednesday on a humanitarian mission to Iraq to try to secure the release of Western hostages.

Brandt, former West German Social Democratic (Spd) chancellor and head of the Socialist International, is expected to gauge Perez' view on the possibility that he might travel to Baghdad as a U.N. envoy to mediate the release of 400 Germans and other foreigners.

U.N. spokeswoman Nadia Younes Tuesday pointed out that Perez had already named a special envoy, Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan. However, the Iraqis have refused to allow Aga Kan into the country.

In Germany, Oskar Lafontaine, the top opposition Social Democratic Party candidate in the forthcoming all-German general elections said Wednesday he advocated a mission by Brandt.

Speaking in the German city of Duesseldorf, Lafontaine said the decision whether to send Brandt to Baghdad could hardly be left to the Bonn government alone. Bonn opposes such a humanitrian mission.

Relatives of some of the German hostages have asked Brandt, honorary Spd chairman, for help.

Brandt has told the Iraqi ambassador to Germany, Abdul Jabbar Omar Ghani, that he would not allow himself to be used as a ''propaganda object''. The mission to Baghdad would concern the fate of all the Western hostages, he stressed.

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#90304d2240 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (OCT 31) - The Canadian government Wednesday expressed concern over human rights abuses in Sri Lanka and urged Colombo to ensure respect for the law and to take steps to punish violators.

A statement from the Canadian High Commission (embassy) here said Canadian Secretary of State for External Affairs Joe Clark had expressed concern over human rights abuses in Sri Lanka.

"While there has been some improvement in the general human rights situation in recent months, it is evident that a greater commitment will be required to ensure respect for the law and to bring the perpetrators of human rights to justice," Mr. Clark said.

"It remains the ultimate responsibility of the government of Sri Lanka, as the duly constituted authority, to ensure that rights are respected and to set the patterns of conduct for others to follow," he added.

Human rights organisations have alleged continuing human rights abuses in Sri Lanka. The European Economic Community (EEC) has called on Colombo to "observe its international obligations in the field of human rights."

At the Sri Lanka Aid Consortium meeting in Paris last week, Western donor nations referred to an EEC statement that said Colombo's human rights performance would be studied when formulating future assistance plans.

Mr. Clark urged Colombo to ensure food and medicine are delivered to northern Sri Lanka for distribution by the International Committee of the Red Cross and appealed to the separatists not to hinder the humanitarian efforts.

"We are witnessing a very serious situation in humanitarian terms in northern Sri Lanka. Every effort must be made to ensure that innocent civilians in the north do not become victims of the current conflict," Mr. Clark said.

Due to the fighting there, the distribution of food and medicine has become difficult and Tamil groups have frequently reported starvation among the civilian population.

Unofficial and official figures indicate that more than 4,500 people have died in violence in the predominantly Tamil northeast since June 11.

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#90304d2260 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT. 31) - Masked assailants stabbed to death a Palestinian man Wednesday after accusing him of collaborating with the Israeli authorities, Arab sources said.

Fahed Ibrahim Abu Jallah, 28, was killed in the Khan Yunis community of the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip by several masked men, the sources said.

If the killing is confirmed, it would be the the 257th of a Palestinian on charges of collaborating since the start in December 1987 of the anti-Israeli uprising, according to a Palestinian toll.

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#90304d2270 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (OCT. 31) - The defence ministry announced Wednesday that it will assist the U.S. Air Force with transport flights in Europe following the transfer of American forces stationed in Germany to Saudi Arabia.

The defence ministry said as of Thursday the German Air Force would provide the Americans with six Transall planes to carry mail, spare parts and other freight to Britain, Italy, Spain and Greece.

''The move is designed to close gaps in the European transport commando caused by the Gulf crisis,'' a ministry spokesman said.

A u.S. Air Force unit, stationed in Frankfurt, said no troops or ammunition

would be transported by the Bundeswehr planes.

The Americans asked for German assistance after a Frankfurt-based U.S. Air Force transport commando was sent to Saudi Arabia to join the multinational task force in the Gulf.

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#90304d2300 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (OCT. 31) - Citicorp, the country's largest banking group, said Wednesday it would reduce its staff worldwide by 2,000 employees by the end of 1991 as part of a corporate reorganization program.

It was the first indication of how extensive the bank's restructuring scheme was since Citicorp announced several months ago that it planned to shrink its corporate financing activities.

Several U.S. banks have been facing difficulties due to a slumping real estate market and fewer business takeovers on Wall Street.

Citicorp spokeswoman Anne Luzzatto said staff cuts would basically involve mid-level management and specialists in leveraged buyouts.

Some 700 jobs had been cut in North America, she added, with another 400 expected to be sacked by the end of this year, while another 900 jobs would be eliminated next year in the bank's European and Asian branches.

The bank has 17,000 employees worldwide, with its biggest overseas branches in Japan, Europe and Australia.

The staff cuts were expected to reduce company costs by 250 million dollars a year, Luzzatto said.

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#90304d2380 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 31) - Japan's exports of color television sets skyrocketed 88.1 percent from a year earlier to 385,000 units in September, the Electronic Industries Association of Japan said Wednesday.

Exports to China jumped 796.4 percent, while those to Hong Kong and the Soviet Union surged 167.2 percent and 243.6 percent respectively.

Japanese exports of video-cassette recorders also rose 4.4 percent to 26.12 million units, with sales to China moving up 199.6 percent and those to Singapore rising 14 percent.

But domestic shipment of color television sets declined 11.4 percent to

692,000 units and those of video-cassette recorders dropped 17.5 percent to 430,000 units.

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London (OCT. 31) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,364.00 (1,349.00) 1,350.50 (1,339.50)
Lead 372.50 (373.00) 375.25 (375.75)
Zinc Sh 1,296.00 (1,299.00) 1,294.00 (1,297.50)
Tin 6,330.00 (6,200.00) 6,290.00 (6,195.00)
Aluminium 1,949.00 (1,895.00) 1,752.50 (1,743.00)
Nickel 8,675.00 (8,850.00) 8,312.50 (8,462.50)

(the last three in dollars per ton)

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#90304d2410 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (OCT. 31) - Japan is to grant Somalia 2.3 million U.S. dollars to finance increased food production programme, a press statement from the Japan Information and Culture Centre announced here Wednesday.

The grant is to provide fertilizer, agricultural chemicals, agricultural machinery and vehicles for transportation to the government Somali government for distribution to farmers for use in the country.

The grant is part of Japan's contribution to Somalia's economic development, according to Under the agreement, signed here by Somali ambassador to Kenya Ahmed Sheikh Mohamoud and Japanese charge d'affaires to Somalia Shisei Kaku.

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#90304d2460 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (OCT. 31) - Laotian diplomats on Wednesday held discussions with Burmese anti-narcotics officials in Rangoon, official Radio Rangoon said in a broadcast monitored here.

The Laotian diplomats held talks with Burmese Narcotics Suppression Division chief Colonel Ngwe Soe Tun at the Police Headquarters in Rangoon on a proposed Laotian-Burmese joint anti-narcotics drive along the border, the radio said.

The borders of Laos, Burma and Thailand converge at an area known as the Golden Triangle, the largest opium-growing and heroin-producing area in

Southeast Asia.

From there comes over 50 percent of the heroin sold in Europe and the United States.

In another report, Laos state-run Radio Vientiane said 14 Burmese men were repatriated at the border with Laos on Friday after being arrested by the Laotian authorities in 1988 and sentenced to up to eight years in prison for producing heroin in Laos' northern province of Oudomsai.

-30- 1135

#90304d2480 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Paris (OCT. 31) - Supplies on world oil markets are adequate three months after the start of the Gulf crisis, the Paris-based International Energy Agency (Iea) said Wednesday.

The supply situation on oil markets was better at present than last month, the Iea governing board said after a meeting.

''Stock holding is normal, supplies are sufficient and price fluctuations are not related to basic market data'', German board meeting chairman Ulrich Engelmann said.

Oil companies will have to use 0.7 million barrels per day from their stocks to match demand in the fourth quarter of 1990, 0.7 million bd less than predicted.

In the first quarter of 1991 this figure would narrow to 0.4 million bd, the agency said.

However, in view of the continuing Gulf crisis the agency urged governments ''to be ready to act if the market situation made this necessary''.

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#90304d2530 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (OCT. 31) - The American actress Audrey Hepburn arrived here Wednesday for a four-day official visit as a UNICEF goodwill ambassador.

Miss Hepburn's mission was on the request on the government, the United Nations Children's Fund said in a press release. It added that she would meet Vietnamese leaders to discuss the problems of Vietnamese children.

She was also expected to visit UNICEF-financed development projects in northern Vietnam.

She became a UNICEF goodwill ambassador in 1989 and has engaged in

humanitarian activities on behalf of children in underdeveloped countries in recent years.

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#90304d2540 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) - President George Bush and visiting Vatican Secretary of State Agostino Cardinal Casaroli discussed the Gulf crisis here Wednesday and expressed hope that a peaceful settlement could be found, the White House said.

During the 40-minute meeting, the president "expressed appreciation for the Vatican's support for U.N. sanctions against Iraq and reiterated our position that nothing short of complete implementation of the U.N. Security Council's resolutions is acceptable," a White House statement said.

"Both leaders expressed the hope that a peaceful resolution to the current crisis (sparked by the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait) could be found," it added.

Cardinal Casaroli, who came to the United States to receive the "Prisoner of Conscience" Award from the Appeal of Conscience Foundation in New York, had a private meeting with Vice President Dan Quayle after his talks with Mr. Bush, the White House said.

The cardinal later headed for New York for a luncheon with U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

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#90304d2630 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN SALVADOR (OCT. 31) - Leaders of nine Salvadoran political parties will travel to Mexico for two days of talks with Salvadoran guerrilla leaders on the prospects for peace in this Central American nation, officials said Wednesday.

The political leaders were due to meet in San Salvador Wednesday to work out last-minute details of the meeting Thursday and and Friday in Mexico City with the leadership of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN).

The encounter should give both sides an opportunity to exchange views on the stalemated peace negotiations between the government and the rebels, said an official of one of the particpating parties, the National Revolutionary Movement headed by Guillermo Ungo.

Other parties to be represented at the talks include the ruling National Republican Alliance (ARENA), the Christian Democratic Party (PDC), the Social Christian Popular Movement (MPSC) and Democratic Action (AD).

Representatives of the government of President Alfredo Cristiani and the FMLN are to meet Sunday in Mexico City to prepare for the next round of peace negotiations, which was supposed to begin November 4 but may be postponed.

Mr. Cristiani said the goal of the preparatory meeting was to re-energize the negotiating process, which has stumbled on rebel demands for sweeping reforms of the armed forces.

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#90304d2730 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAGUA (OCT. 31) - President Violeta Chamorro Wednesday fired Central Bank Chairman Francisco Mayorga over a disagreement on how quickly to convert to a new national currency, government officials said here.

Mr. Mayorga opposed Mrs. Chamorro's decision for an immediate an massive changeover to the new currency, the gold cordoba, arguing in favor of a more gradual change to better fight inflation, they added.

Observers said Mr. Mayorga's dismissal and other changes in the government responded to a need for a closer knit cabinet to carry out the social and economic pacts signed last Friday by Mrs. Chamorro's administration, labor unions and business leaders.

Last April, Mrs. Chamorro inherited a much troubled economy from the leftist Santinista National Liberation Front, and has been faced with growing labor unrest and financial hardships.

Mr. Mayorga was replaced by Central Bank Vice Chairman Raul Lacayo.

The government also reestablished the Ministry of External Cooperation, which had been eliminated when Mrs. Chamorro took over from the Sandinista administration. Erwin Krugger, director of state-run industries, was named to head the new ministry, government sources said.

Mrs. Chamorro's personal secretary, Jose Adan Guerra, took over Mr. Krugger's former post, they added.

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#90304d2960 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (OCT. 31) - Kuwait's exiled prime minister, Sheikh Saad al-Abdullah al-Sabah, was quoted as saying Wednesday that his Iraqi-annexed country would not give up an inch of its soil.

Crown Prince Saad said the minimum Kuwait would accept as a solution to the Gulf crisis was strict implementation of United Nations Security Council

resolutions.

He made his remarks in an interview with the London-based Lebanese weekly Al Hawadess. Excerpts from the interview, which will be published on Friday, were carried by the Kuwaiti News Agency (Kuna).

The Security Council resolutions, which Iraq has rejected, call for a total and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the restoration of the legitimate authority there led by exiled Emir Sheikh al-Ahmed al-Sabah.

Saad's remarks represented an outright rejection of proposals for a compromise involving a land swap. Two border islands - Bubiyan and Warba - had been cited by some foreign news media as a possible price which Kuwait might have to pay for an Iraqi troop pullout.

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#90304d3010 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (OCT 31) - The Palestine Liberation Organisation Wednesday asked Arab states to halt trying to strip Israel of its membership in the United Nations, a Plo representative said.

The deputy head of the Plo observer mission at the U.N., Nasser al-Kidwa, said the Arab group at the U.N. General Assembly would instead present a resolution calling on Israel urged to implement earlier Security Council and General Assembly resolutions on the Palestinian-Israeli conflict.

The Plo and all 20 Arab states ecxept Egypt had tried during the past eight years to get Israel ousted from the U.N. because of the Jewish state's refusal to abide by U.N. resolutions demanding it withdraw from Palestinian and other Arab territories it has occupied since 1967.

The Arab group presented each year a resolution to this effect, but failed to get it endorsed by the General Assembly

In 1989, the anti-Israeli motion was rejected by 95 nations, while 37 voted for it. The Soviet Union and East European states, the Plo's former staunch supporters, abstained then for the first time.

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#90304d3070 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (OCT 31) - The head of the German Bundesbank, Karl Otto Poehl, Wednesday criticised the decision taken last weekend by EEC leaders to fix a date for the second phase of European monetary union without giving clear guidelines of what it actually meant.

The German central bank chief said in a speech that he regretted that the 12

European Economic Community heads of state and government had "not made it clear" what the second phase of monetary union should entail.

"The Rome communique, which contains some very positive elements ... is incomprehensible as far as I'm concerned regarding the description of the second phase," he said.

Mr. Poehl also said it was "surprising that the EEC summit had not discussed the deadlock in farm talks which is blocking international trade negotiations in GATT. "It's the most urgent problem," he said.

Britain was the only EEC member to disagree with fixing January 1, 1994 as the date for the introduction of the second phase of European monetary union which would create a European central bank and eventually a single currency for all 12 nations.

In Frankfurt, Sir Leon Brittan, EEC Commission vice-president, said there was "no need for Britain's final decision (on participating in a single currency) to be taken until much closer to 1994".

Mr.Poehl said the Rome communique indicated that the future European central bank would be charged with "reinforcing coordination" of national monetary policies.

"We don't need a new institution to do that," Mr. Poehl said.

The Rome communique also said the European central bank would initially "monitor the development of the European currency unit".

"This sentence makes no sense at all," Mr. Poehl said.

He said the communique "does not form a foundation for a decision with such wide-ranging effects."

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#90304d3080 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 31) - The Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) has moved to soften an Arab amendment seeking Israel's expulsion from the United Nations, diplomats said Wednesday.

The General Assembly Wednesday put off for 12 days the annual renewal of the credentials of member countries to give the Arab group time to reformulate their amendment on Israel's accreditation, they said.

For the past eight years, the Arab group has submitted amendments demanding that Israel's credentials be rejected. Each year the effort has been turned back, leaving Israel's membership intact.

But this week the Arab group was putting the finishing touches on an amendment to the accreditation list that -- at the PLO's request -- would remind Israel of its obligation to conform to all Security Council resolutions passed since the creation of the Jewish state, especially those concerning the status of Jerusalem and the occupied territories, said PLO representative Nasser al-Kidwa.

It is unlikely that Israel could be excluded from the General Assembly, since a majority of countries believe that the accreditation process should be free of political considerations.

Nevertheless, in 1974 South Africa was excluded from the assembly during a similar review of credentials because of its policy of apartheid. Since then, Pretoria has not re-submitted its credentials.

The exclusion or the suspension of a member state is decided by the General Assembly on the recommendation of the Security Council, according to articles 5 and 6 of the U.N. charter.

The PLO's apparent gesture of moderation came at a time when the organization has become increasingly isolated.

It has lost some Arab support for its perceived pro-Iraqi stand in the Gulf crisis and its long-sought dialogue with the United States was cut off by Washington early this year over a PLO faction's attack on an Israeli beach.

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#90304d3120 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (OCT. 31) - Ireland's deputy prime minister and defence minister, Brian Lenihan, was dismissed Wednesday by Prime Minister Charles Haughey because of the so-called "Dublingate" political scandal, official sources said.

The scandal centres on allegations that in 1982 Mr. Lenihan put improper pressure on President Patrick Hillery to name Mr. Haughey prime minister of a minority government without calling elections after the collapse of the government in January 1982.

Mr. Lenihan's dismissal came just a few minutes after debate began on a parliamentary no-confidence motion in the Irish parliament, or Dail, which the government narrowly won by 83 to 80.

Mr. Lenihan, a close friend of Mr. Haughey's and a candidate in Ireland's November 7 presidential elections, has repeatedly denied the allegations against him.

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#90304d3150 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) - Economic sanctions against Iraq have brought most development projects there to a standstill, and are crippling industry, particularly the oil sector, a State Department spokesman said Wednesday.

Sanctions are costing Iraq 1.5 billion dollars a month in lost oil revenues, and have led to shortages of some staples, said spokesman Margaret Tutwiler.

''We are beginning to see some signs of real shortages in Iraq,'' said Tutwiler. ''The sanctions have brought most of Iraq's development projects to a virtual halt. While food is still readily available Baghdad is rationing basic commodities such as bread, sugar, and soap. The costs of some basic commodities have jumped 800 percent since the invasion.''

It was still too early to say how quickly sanctions-induced shortages could prompt the Iraqi government to see reason, she added.

''It is important to remember, however, that the aim of these sanctions is to change the behavior of the government of Iraq,'' she said. ''No one can say at this point, how rapidly these shortages will translate into meaningful decisions, particularily since Saddam Hussein has made clear that his army will be the last to be touched by shortages and that he does not care how much the people of Iraq may suffer to protect that army.''

She said oil exports have been curtailed by 97 percent, compared to pre-invasion figures.

The import of industrial goods, raw materials and machines has dropped to less than one-tenth what it was before the crisis, she added, resulting in shortages of lubricants, replacement parts and chemicals vital to industry.

-30- 1822
#90304d3180 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUCHAREST (OCT 31) - The Romanian senate on Wednesday rejected the government's plan to liberalize prices on Thursday, demanding that the move be put off until January 1.

The Senate's permanent officers later met behind closed doors with Prime Minister Petre Roman.

Romanian radio reported that a meeting between parliamentary deputies and senators was scheduled to be held on Thursday to debate Mr. Roman's October 18 proposal, which called for 75 percent devaluation of the Romanian leu in addition to the freeing of prices.

Some senators complained that the government proposal was not "a true

liberalization of prices, but an increase in prices."

The government has maintained that price increases will affect only wholesale costs and not consumer unit costs for such basic products as electricity, coal food and children's clothing.

Minister of Economic Orientation Eugen Djimarescu has promised that the government will make up the difference until January 1, 1991, through a 14 billion lei (400 million dollar) price support program.

The announcement of plans for price liberalization has caused runs on products ranging from gasoline to food.

Meanwhile, President Ion Iliescu ruled out any danger of a military coup in Romania. He said "discussions" had taken place within the army on the subject of its role in the process of democratization.

In an interview broadcast on Wednesday by Austrian television, he also denied that his National Salvation Front had provoked violence between anti-government protestors and miners in June, but admitted "certain errors."

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#90304d3230 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (OCT. 31) - Nigeria Wednesday dropped a plan to ban the exportation of raw cocoa beans from next January.

Information Minister, Alex Akinyele said the ban, had been put in abeyance because Nigeria had facilities to process the beans itself.

Local and international organizations had opposed the ban, announced early this year with the intention of boosting the value of Nigerian food exports.

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#90304d3310 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (OCT. 31) - President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani on Wednesday vowed that his country would spare no effort to prevent the outbreak of war in the Gulf, the official Iranian news agency IRNA reported.

"We believe that the Persian Gulf crisis is not in the interest of any country in the region and we have called on Iraq to end its occupation of Kuwait," Mr. Rafsanjani said according to an IRNA dispatch monitored here.

He said Iran would "do all within its power to prevent the outbreak of war" in the region, IRNA added. He did not elaborate.

Iran was among the first countries to denounce Iraq's August 2 invasion of

Kuwait and has repeatedly called on the end of the occupation of the tiny emirate.

Mr. Rafsajani's latest remarks were made during talks in Teheran with the Nigerian minister of state for external affair Ibrahim Zakarya.

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#90304d3350 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRID (OCT 31) - A varig Boeing 747 limped to an emergency landing on Gran Canaria Wednesday after a passenger sprayed mace into the cockpit in a bid to avoid being deported to Brazil from Portugal.

Police said the 39-year-old passenger aboard the flight from Lisbon to Rio de Janeiro forced his way into the cockpit wielding a can of chemical mace, police said. He was also said to have sprayed several passengers.

The jet lost altitude before the stunned crew managed to regain control and bring the jumbo jet in for a landing at Las Palmas de Gran Canaria. The passenger was overpowered and taken in for questioning.

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#90304d3370 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (OCT. 31) - Irish Prime Minister Charles Haughey sacked deputy Prime Minister Brian Lenihan Friday evening to ensure the survival of his 17-month-old Coalition Government.

Haughey took the action in a bid to retain the support of his coalition partners, the Progressive Democrats, who had threatened to vote against the government in a parliamentary motion of no confidence if Lenihan remained in the cabinet. The government won on a vote of 83-80.

The crisis stems from presidential elections set for November 7. Lenihan is a candidate for the largely ceremonial office of president but he got embroiled in a controversy over whether he had been involved in applying undue pressure on incumbent President Patrick Hillery eight years ago.

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#90304d3480 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT 31) - South African Airways (SAA) will reintroduce its weekly flight to Zaire from next week with an added stopover in Zambia, the airline said in a statement issued here Wednesday.

SAA cancelled its weekly flight to Lubumbashi, Zaire, on October 24 due to "economic reasons" but said Wednesday that the decision to reintroduce the flight was due to market demand.

"The additional traffic generated on the Lusaka sector will make this flight even more economically viable", the statement added.

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#90304d3500 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

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If the killing is confirmed, it would be the the 257th of a Palestinian on charges of collaborating since the start in December 1987 of the anti-Israeli uprising, according to a Palestinian toll.

The Israeli estimate of Palestinians killed this way is 320, according to a figure made public Wednesday by Israeli military authorities.

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#90304d3610 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (OCT. 31) - Romanian Prime Minister Petre Roman on Wednesday hailed the start of his government's price liberalization policy as "the most radical measure since the revolution" which overthrew President Nicolae Ceausescu last December.

The new measures, which are to come into force from Thursday, were earlier criticized by members of the country's senate, who have asked that they be postponed until January 1.

Mr. Roman on Wednesday met with senators in committee, to try and overcome their opposition to price liberalization, which some members of parliament had described as nothing more than a disguised increase in prices.

Speaking on television, Mr. Roman said: "Now truth starts in the economic field."

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#90304d3800 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 31) - U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar recommended to the Security Council Wednesday that the U.N. peace keeping force -- the so-called "blue helmets" -- in Central America be reduced.

The secretary general recommended the land and air contingents of the force be cut from 413 to 158 by mid-December, and suggested extending its mandate to May 1991.

Diplomatic sources said the council likely would approve the recommendation when it meets to consider it before November 7.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar did not mention reducing the group's naval force of four patrol boats and 29 forces in the Gulf of Fonseca along the coasts of Nicaragua, Honduras and El Salvador.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar said now that the blue helmets had successfully completed overseeing demobilization of the Nicaraguan contra rebels, they would return to their original mission to verify the end of aid to irregular forces and insurgents in the region.

However, he said, the group's capacity is "very limited" because of clandestine operations which are difficult to detect partly due to the area's harsh geography and climate.

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#90304d3850 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (OCT. 31) - A 52-year-old Greek woman has conquered 6,920-metre (22,700-foot) Mt. Tukuche without the aid of oxygen, the Nepalese Tourism Ministry said Wednesday.

Eleni Stamatakis, described as a national service manager from Athens, reached the summit of Mt. Tukuche on October 24 via the northwest ridge along with two Nepalese mountain guides.

Mrs. Stamatakis was now on her way back home, the ministry said.

The ministry also said an Italian expedition has climbed Mt. Ama Dablam successfully.

Kurt Fritz, a 30-year-old mountain guide from Sludarno, reached the 6,812-metre (22,346-foot) summit on October 26 without the aid of oxygen, the ministry said.

Two other members of the expedition, Ronald Lesso, a 29-year-old driver from Staben, and Tarernini Heinrieh, 31, a mountain guide from Schlender, scaled the peak on October 27.

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#90304d3900 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) - The State Department Wednesday welcomed the agreement by Lebanese militias to pull out of Beirut, seeing it as a first step towards restablishing governmental authority in all of Lebanon.

"We welcome the news that militias have agreed to leave Beirut," spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said.

"We believe that this is a good first step in reestablishing the Lebanese government's authority over all of Lebanon," she added.

"We continue to support the Lebanese government's efforts to implement the Taif Agreement and to achieve the dissolution of all armed militias, the withdrawl of all foreign forces and the full independence and sovereignty of Lebanon," Miss Tutwiler went on to say.

All militias operating in Lebanon agreed Tuesday to pull out of Beirut, complying with the Taif Agreement, signed last year in Saudi Arabia by Lebanese members of Parliament.

The agreement called for a return to constitutional rule in Lebanon in benefit of the Muslim majority, and an end to the country's 15-year civil war, during which it was occupied by Syrian, Israeli, Iranian and Lybian forces.

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#90304d4220 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (OCT 31) - The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) should become involved in the repatriation of some 20,000 South African refugees, the National Co-ordinating Committee (NCC) said here Wednesday.

The body, which is reponsible for the repatriation of all South African exiles said in a statement issued here that although it noted the political difficulties because of the U.N. stand on sanctions, the UNHCR could be of "immense benefit" to the repatriation programme.

The NCC committed itself to ongoing dialogue with the UNHCR in the hope that it will remove all the obstacles to UNHCR involvement in the repatriation process without "violating existing international and U.N. sanctions" against South Africa, the statement added.

Meetings had already been held with the UNHCR by the NCC, the South African government and certain South African "liberation movements", the statement said.

The NCC has been set up by the black nationalist African National Congress (ANC) to organise the repatriation of exiles.

The ANC estimates that the repatriation programme would cost in the region of 350 million rands (137 million dollars).

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#90304d4230 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BOGOTA (OCT 31) - Colombian President Cesar Gaviria Wednesday rejected negotiations with members of the Medellin cartel who are holding a group of kidnapped journalists, including a prominent newspaper editor and the daughter of a former president.

Mr. Gaviria made the comment in a speech at the headquarters of the secret police -- the Department of Administrative Security (DAS) -- which was partly destroyed in December by a bomb set off by the cartel.

It followed an offer by a group of notables, including two ex-presidents, a leftist politician and a Roman Catholic cardinal, to engage in a "humanitarian" mediation to win the release of the journalists.

Referring to that effort, Mr. Gaviria said it was "not an attempt to seek a dialogue that is impossible."

He reiterated an earlier promise to guarantee the rights of drug traffickers who surrender to the authorities but said that those involved in terrorist actions, "we will treat with all the severity of the law."

"The Extraditables," as the Medellin cartel refers to itself in public statements, said Tuesday they were holding the journalists as a guarantee against police reprisals against their relatives.

But authorities here believe the journalists were kidnapped to draw the

government into negotiations on issues such as its policy of extraditing drug traffickers wanted by the United States.

Six journalists -- including Diana Turbay, daughter of former President Julio Cesar Turbay -- were taken hostage 61 days ago after setting out on what they thought was to be a trip to interview a Colombian rebel leader.

Two other people, including the managing editor of the newspaper El Tiempo, were kidnapped September 19 and also were believed to be in the group of hostages.

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#90304d4430 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS, (NOV 1) - French Agriculture Minister Louis Mermaz, whose country last week was among those that held up an EEC agreement on farm subsidies policy for the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, said here Wednesday that he was not sure the crisis would be resolved at new talks Monday.

Mr. Mermaz said in a television interview that if no new proposition was made by the European Commission, Monday's meeting in Brussels might not even take place.

The European Economic Community has been trying to reach agreement on a package of cuts in farm subsidies to propose to GATT.

The issue of EEC farm support is a major irritant in trade relations with the United States and other major exporting countries.

The EEC deadlock has been threatening to capsize the entire current round of GATT talks, known as the Uruguay Round.

The Commission, the EEC's executive arm, had proposed a global round of cuts equivalent to 30 per cent of total farm subsidies to be phased in over 10 years, but countries with large farm sectors, in particular France and Germany, held out for lower levels.

Other countries, notably Britain, wanted deeper cuts.

On the TV programme, Mr. Mermaz said it was "better to take one's time than to capitulate in the middle of the battle."

However he added: "if we miss the GATT boat, it will be a disaster."

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#90304d4930 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND (NOV. 1) - Troubled Air New Zealand said here Thursday

it was firing more staff and would raise its fares by 15 per cent.

The new job losses follow 600 firings earlier this year when the airline quit its Fokker Friendship domestic flights.

Air New Zealand has not said how many staff would be involved, but chief executive Jim Scott said several hundred more staff would go.

Airline chairman Bob Matthews said the company would also apply for fare increases of up to 15 percent on international and domestic flights, to match fuel price rises.

Air New Zealand has been struggling for the last two years since Australia's Ansett Airlines entered the domestic market here. The company also faces tough competition on its international routes.

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#90304d4950 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAPE TOWN (NOV. 1) - Two legislative bills aimed at removing race and sex discrimination in mines and mining rights from the lawbooks were published here Wednesday, state-run radio reported.

Discrimination on the grounds of race in the acquisition of prospecting and mining rights will be removed by the Mining Rights Amendment Bill, which will also strike down restrictions on the residence rights of certain race groups on proclaimed mining land.

Sex discrimination will be removed in terms of the Mines and Works Amendment Bill, in terms of which women would be allowed to work underground in accordance with accepted International Labour Organisation (ILO) agreements.

Women are also to be allowed to work at night on mines in terms of the new bill, the radio added.

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#90304d8280 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND (OCT. 31) - Wilson and Horton Ltd, publishers of the top-selling Herald newspaper, said Wednesday they had no information to "reasonably explain" a drop in their share price.

The company, New Zealand's second-biggest newspaper and magazine publisher, has suffered a fall in its share prices for the past week in the wake of speculation it was to buy the loss-making New Zealand Listener magazine.

On Wednesday, the shares were trading at 580 New Zealand cents (356 U.S.).

The New Zealand Stock Exchange asked for an explanation, and in reply company directors said intensive discussions were under way over the magazine.

"As far as the company is concerned, there are no matters that could or should affect the fluctuation in share price," the directors said.

Wilson and Horton last week reported a 10.8 per cent fall in operating profit to 23.4 million dollars (14.4 million U.S.) for the September half-year.

But directors said that had been the third largest proft in company history.

"It has a very strong balance sheet with 65 per cent shareholders' equity ratio, has a strong cash flow and is acknowledged by the market to be a conservatively geared and managed company," they said.

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#90304d8350 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 31) - Scientists have successfully bred the Philippines' vanishing national animal, the tamaraw buffalo, for the first time in captivity, press reports said here Wednesday.

The male calf, christened Jun Jun, was born on October 18 at a government breeding station in the tamaraw's last refuge, Mindoro island southwest of Manila, newspapers quoted project officials as saying.

The tamaraw is smaller than the carabao or water buffalo found in Southeast Asian rice paddies. It is an official national symbol of the Philippines.

Only 200 are known to exist, from 10,000 at the turn of the century, and they are threatened by poachers, logging and development in Mindoro, which has become a tourist spot because of its beaches and rugged terrain.

Scientists want a "fallback population" of tamaraws in another part of the country to guard against an epidemic that could wipe out the animals in Mindoro, the Daily Globe newspaper said.

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#90304d8450 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANUR BEACH, INDONESIA (OCT. 31) - The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) moves one step closer to becoming a regional common market by adopting a new import tariff measure to boost trade among its six members, officials and analysts said Wednesday.

ASEAN economic ministers at a meeting here endorsed Tuesday an Indonesian proposal for enforcing common tariffs, initially on a selected number of manufactured goods, in a bid to bolster still meagre intra-ASEAN trade.

The scheme, which Philippine Secretary of Trade and Industry Jose Conception described as a "radical approach," would complement an existing ASEAN program granting preferential tariffs for goods traded among member countries.

"We are moving in the right step towards liberalising trade as well as probably even investment in the region," Mr. Conception said Tuesday after the two-day meeting.

ASEAN, formed in 1967 to promote economic cooperation in non-communist Southeast Asia, groups Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

Manila has been the most vocal in calling for the creation of a common market while Indonesia, until recently, had been reluctant fearing it would see its huge market of 184 million people flooded by goods from ASEAN countries.

Attitudes have changed as ASEAN members accept the need for closer economic cooperation in the face of the European Community's single market in 1992 and the United States' free trade pact with Canada.

In Indonesia, a wave of deregulation measures since the mid-1980s, has also led staunch supporters of trade protection to change their minds.

Industry Minister Hartarto, once nicknamed "Mr. No" for his persistent refusals to open Indonesia's manufacturing sector to foreign competition, is now "Mr. Go" in ASEAN circles, Indonesian sources said.

Under the Preferential Tariff Arrangements (PTA), each member grants between 25 and 50 per cent tariff discounts on goods imported from other ASEAN countries. More than 15,000 items currently come under the scheme.

The program, however, has not been that effective in boosting ASEAN trade given the member states different tariff structures, officials said, noting that some governments also raise their tariffs as soon as certain goods were imported under the PTA, rendering the discount meaningless.

ASEAN ministers Tuesday agreed to start increasing the preference margins on some items to 75 per cent as well as calling for every member country to charge the same preferred tariff rates.

Intra-ASEAN trade has also been limited in the past because member countries produce similar goods, especially primary commodities, which more often than not put them in direct competition.

But with industrialisation making rapid progress in the region, regional trade could be now bolstered with a greater flow of manufactured goods, officials said.

Mr. Hartarto said the new scheme of common effective tariffs was intended for manufactured products, such as cement and pulp, and not for agricultural goods.

The scheme would facilitate the "free flow of goods. It is not quite yet free trade," one official said.

ASEAN ministers, however, have commissioned their senior officials to undertake initial studies on the possibility of promoting free trade in the region as part of the task of drafting a new ASEAN economic treaty.

"It will be a free trade based on ASEAN concepts, and not modelled on others," said one official.

The study was expected to be completed before ASEAN leaders meet for their fourth summit planned in Singapore for the end of 1991, at which economic cooperation will be the main focus, officials said.

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#90304d8570 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 31) - The March 1993 target date for inaugurating Kansai International Airport, being built on an artificial island in Osaka Bay, appears less and less likely as problems plague the ambitious project.

The Transport Ministry has for the first time hinted of a delay on the airport some 400 kilometers (250 miles) southwest of here, saying the date was an objective and not "an international promise."

The new airport is needed to reduce congestion at Toyko's international airport at Narita, which is operating at its maximum capacity of 360 air movements a day.

Engineers involved in the project have come up against a serious problem in recent months: The man-made island four kilometers (2-12 miles) off southern Osaka is sinking under its own weight at a rate faster than expected.

To make the 511-hectare (1,278-acre) island at a point where the sea is 18 meters (60 feet) deep, engineers had said 166 million cubic meters (5.5 billion cubic feet) of earth would be needed.

With the settling problem, another 22 million cubic meters (733 million cubic feet) and more time will be required.

At the current rate, the ground will sink 8.5 meters (28 feet) before the airport's opening instead of the seven meters (23 feet) projected by the contractor, Kansai International Airport Co.

"We were not confident ourselves when we made our first prediction" of seven to 12 meters (23 to 40 feet), said Akio Nakase, a professor at the Tokyo Institute of Technology. "The airport company took the lower figure."

Construction on the main building, the passenger terminal designed by Italian architect Renzo Piano, is three months behind schedule after the finance ministry asked that it be reduced in size and the United States called for international bidding on the project.

Twenty-seven months are left in the original schedule to complete the gigantic 311,000 square meter (3.5 million square foot) terminal. The Narita terminal, a third of the size, took 34 months to build.

In a bid to finish on time, the contractor took a series of urgent measures in October:

- Night work was begun on essential facilities.

- Use of an nearly finished access bridge, instead of ferry boats, to take workers more quickly to the site. This four-kilometer (2-12-mile) rail and road links the airport to the road and rail network.

- Prefabricating construction material away from the site.

When it finally opens, Kansai airport will operate around the clock, have a 3,500-meter (11,550-foot) runway and be able to handle 450 air movements and 30 million passengers a day, twice as many as Narita.

The airport island will later be enlarged to 1,200 hectares (3,000 acres) and have two 4,000-meter (13,200-foot) runways and a 3,400-meter (11,220-foot) auxiliary runway.

The airport project is of much concern to business in the Kansai region, which includes the cities of Osaka, Kyoto and Kobe with a population of 23 million.

Some 40 Japanese and foreign airlines are keen to serve Kansai, which will be one hour by air and three hours by high-speed train from Tokyo.

The airport will have 30 to 44 stores and 24-hour restaurants serving 156,000 people per day.

Kansai businessmen have already lauched a campaign to host the summit of the Group of Seven industrialized nations in 1993 in the Osaka area.

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#90304d8650 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 31) - South Korea's electronics maker Goldstar Company has

concluded deals to export a total of 769 million dollars worth of plant facilities manufacturing color televisions, washing machines and electronic ovens to the Soviet Union, the company announced here Wednesday.

The announcement said that a color television plant worth 250 million dollars and capable of producing 1.5 million sets a year is to be exported over three years to the Soviet Kirghiz Republic starting from next month.

The Soviet Electronics Ministry is to buy a plant producing video-cassette recorders (VCR) at a cost of 130 million dollars and another making electronic ovens worth 140 million dollars, the announcement added.

The Soviet Defense Ministry will also buy an electronics oven factory worth 55 million dollars, while the Soviet Radio Ministry agreed to buy a VCR plant worth 44 million dollars.

The company also said a 150 million dollar joint venture project with the Soviet Izhorsky Zavod Co. to build a washing machine plant in Leningrad capable of producing 200,000 units a year will have its production capacity doubled to 400,000 units a year.

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#90304d8740 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 31) - The fall edition of the Guangzhou trade fair has ended with Middle East and African oil-exporting nations buying fewer goods because of the Gulf crisis.

The showcase for Chinese exports resulted in contracts worth 5.7 billion dollars, a slightly higher turnover than at the spring fair, the official China Daily and the New China News Agency said.

Some 42,000 buyers attended the fair, more than half of them from Hong Kong, China's biggest trading partner. They ordered 2.48 billion dollars' worth of products ranging from textiles to traditional Chinese medicines.

But at the end of the 15-day fair on Tuesday, the big disappointment was a 50 percent drop in the value of orders placed by Middle East and African oil-exporting states.

Organizers blamed the slump, to 49.39 million dollars from more than 100 million dollars at the spring fair in April, on lower attendance of businessmen from those countries as a result of the Gulf crisis.

Soviet and East European buyers, making their first appearance at the fair since it was first held in 1957, made only a modest impact, signing just five million dollars in contracts.

Organizers said the 142 buyers had been invited to prepare for a planned switch from barter to cash trade with the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe.

Textiles, China's biggest export money-maker, was also the most popular commodity at the fair, with 1.1 billion dollars in contracts signed.

Buyers from the European Economic Community (EEC) contracted to buy goods worth 715.85 million dollars, followed by the United States with 501.73 million dollars and Japan with 457.78 million dollars.

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#90304d8900 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 31) - In an unprecedented decision, the Nottinghamshire police force has been found guilty of racial discrimination against an Indian officer who was seeking a promotion.

The case marked the first time that a British police force had been convicted of discrimination against one of its own members.

Surinder Singh, 33, said that he had been subjected to racist comments in 1987 when he attempted to obtain a promotion to the post of detective.

After 82 days of hearings, an industrial tribunal ruled Tuesday that Mr. Singh had not been treated on an equal footing with other colleagues who were seeking the same promotion.

It also decided that two other Asian officers had been treated unfairly due to their race.

"Obviously, I am very pleased about the result," said Mr. Singh, adding that "Hopefully it will enlighten the police force and make it better for the future."

Nottinghamshire Chief Constable Dan Crompton said that "I am determined to do everything possible to ensure that no such discrimination ever occurs in the future."

He noted that the Nottinghamshire police had the fourth highest number of racial minorities in its ranks among British police forces.

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#90304d8930 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 31) - Japan's two biggest shipbuilders, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Ltd. and Ishikawajima-Harima Heavy Industries Co. Ltd., announced Wednesday modest increases in earnings for the six months to September,

Mitsubishi, the country's biggest shipbuilder and also its largest manufacturer of power plants, aircraft and arms, said its net profit jumped 13.6 per cent from a year earlier to 35.5 billion yen (257 million dollars). Sales inched up 1.9 per cent to 1,030 billion yen (7.5 billion dollars).

Ishikawajima-Harima, ranked second in shipbuilding but first in the production of jet engines, said its net profit grew 15.3 per cent to 7.3 billion yen (53 million dollars) in the same period. Sales climbed 6.6 per cent to 303 billion yen (2.2 billion dollars).

Mitsubishi's sales advanced in most sectors except shipbuilding and steel structures, where sales dropped 6.1 per cent to 126 billion yen (913 million dollars). Sales of power systems also fell, by 8.5 per cent to 300 billion yen (2.2 billion dollars), the company said.

But sales of machinery rose 8.6 per cent to 271 billion yen (two billion dollars) while sales of aircraft and "special vehicles" such as tanks grew 9.4 per cent to 168 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars).

Sales of airconditioners, refrigerators and other machinery climbed 13 per cent to 166 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars). Exports surged 27.9 per cent to 253 billion yen (1.8 billion dollars) in the same period.

The company forecast a net profit of 83 billion yen (601 million dollars) in the year to March on sales of 2,250 billion yen (16.3 billion dollars)

Ishikawajima-Harima's sales expanded in all sectors except steel structures and transportation equipment, where sales plunged 32.4 per cent to 56 billion yen (406 million dollars). Exports also fell sharply, by 54.4 per cent to 37 billion yen (268 million dolars)

But sales of plants soared 61.7 per cent to 69 billion yen (500 million dollars) while sales of aircraft engines and space-related equipment rose six per cent to 56 billion yen (406 million dollars). Sales of ships and ocean structures rose 4.2 per cent to 42 billion yen (304 million dollars).

Machinery sales jumped 57.5 per cent to 38 billion yen (275 million dolars) while sales of other machinery inched up 1.1 per cent to 40 billion yen (290 million dollars).

The company forecast its net profit would reach 15 billion yen (109 million dollars) in the full year on sales of 720 billion yen (5.2 billion dollars).

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#90304d8940 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 31) - Japan's Daishowa Paper Mfg. Co. Ltd. said Wednesday its net profit plunged 46 percent from a year earlier to 2.2 billion yen (16 million

dollars) in the six months to September, citing lower paper prices.

The company, Japan's second-biggest paper manufacturer with activities in Australia and Canada, said sales rose 2.4 percent to 173.4 billion yen (1.3 billion dollars) in the same period.

Daishowa said the plunge in earnings reflected lower prices for general paper which offset a small rise in paperboard prices. Other factors included increased energy costs and higher interest rates, it said.

The company expects a net profit of seven billion yen (51 million dollars) in the year to March on sales of 358 billion yen (2.6 billion dollars).

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#90304d9070 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (OCT. 31) - Warring Lebanese Shiite factions backed by Syria and Iran have approved a new cease-fire aimed at ending their bloody conflict that has raged here and in southern Lebanon since April 1988.

A joint communique Tuesday from the pro-Syrian Amal movement and the Iranian-backed Hezbollah said the truce came into effect at midnight Tuesday (22H00 GMT).

The statement said the two sides would "arrange an exchange of prisoners ahead of an overall and definitive settlement" to their struggle for supremacy among Lebanese Shiite Moslems, the country's largest single community.

Representatives of the factions were to meet Wednesday to discuss reconstruction of the Iqlim al-Touffah region of southern Lebanon, scene of fierce inter-Shiite combat since last December, and the evacuation of the wounded.

The new accord was worked out during a meeting Tuesday morning of Amal and Hezbollah representatives at Syrian military intelligence headquarters in Anjar, eastern Lebanon.

Syria's military intelligence chief in Lebanon, General Ghazi Kanaan, and the Iranian ambassador to Syria, Hassan Akhtari, also took part in the talks.

There have been several Amal-Hezbollah cease-fire accords in the past, the most far-reaching of which was approved in January 1989, but none has so far held.

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#90304d9100 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 31) - South Korea's two airlines were in a dogfight Wednesday

over government plans to add more international routes to the smaller carrier, with the union at the larger Korean Air threatening a crippling strike.

Union leaders at Korean Air (KAL) said they would go on strike next month if the government did not rescind plans to add cities in Southeast Asia and the United States to the fledgling Asiana Airlines.

KAL, which during most of its 25 years enjoyed a monopoly in the domestic air service, has never taken well to pushy Asiana's plans to expand.

The national flag carrier is private and is the 10th largest in the world with a fleet of 70 aircraft, compared to Asiana's 14 planes, the largest of which are Boeing 767-300s.

"They are so greedy," said an official at two-year-old Asiana, hinting that KAL itself was stirring up labor trouble to force the government to take back the flights.

The row began last week when Transportation Minister Kim Chang-Shik announced that Asiana could make three weekly flights from December to Southeast Asian cities where KAL had more than seven flights a week, with an excess of 70 per cent passenger load per flight and 150,000 passengers a year.

Only Bangkok, Taipei, Hong Kong and Singapore fit the category, leading the Asiana official to say that the new plans were in fact "protecting" KAL.

Asiana would be able to add other cities in the United States and Japan from next year on, Mr. Kim said. Currently, Asiana's only foreign destinations are the Japanese cities of Tokyo, Fukuoka, Nagoya and Sendai.

The Asiana official said the company would be able to handle the new routes with the 14 new airplanes, including four jumbos, that it ordered from Boeing and is due to receive before the end of 1992.

Asiana would also talk to Airbus this week about a possible future deal, he said.

Mr. Kim said the flight expansions would help the development of South Korea's passenger service industry.

But KAL and its employees have cried foul. They point out that they had only received four additional flights and charged the government with showing favoritism.

The president of the KAL trade union, Sok Hwa-Kyung, threatened to ground many of KAL's 70 planes with a massive strike on November 19 if the government did not scrap its plan.

The company, though it says it was also enraged by the government's decision, is trying to calm down the union, said a KAL official.

"The management will do its best to prevent a strike from being carried out because it will damage innocent passengers," he said.

The spokesman denied that management had encouraged workers to threaten a strike as a way to put pressure on the government.

A strike, which would be the first in KAL history, would probably be illegal, as the government has put in place tough regulations against labor action in sectors such as transporation and telecommunications.

"They are blocked from striking. In any case that strike should not happen," the KAL official said.

He however called the government's decision "a great favor to Asiana" and said that far from helping the industry, adding flights to Asiana might run one of them into the ground.

He recalled that British Caledonian had gone bust because of competition for the same cities from other British carriers. British Airways eventually absorbed British Caledonian last year.

The KAL official said South Korea's two airlines should instead follow the example of Air France and Air-Inter. The two French airlines fly complementary routes, with the larger Air France handling longer routes and Air-Inter picking up domestic routes and the occasional flight to Africa.

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#90304d9210 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manila (OCT. 31) - Moslem separatists shot dead eight people, including three boys, whom they had held hostage, in an unprecedented execution Wednesday in Marawi city in the southern Philippine island of Mindanao, military authorities said.

The victims had been hogtied and shot in the head at close range, apparently in retaliation for the rescue operation the military launched to free them from the secessionist Moro National Liberation Front (Mnlf), officials said.

Mnlf rebels seized the victims on Tuesday in Marawi city to dramatise their demand for the scrapping of a government hydro-electric plant project they claimed would destroy their farms.

The kidnapping precipitated a gunfight with an army patrol, resulting in the killing of one rebel and the wounding of two others, officials said.

The rebels had earlier threatened to kill their hostages if the army did not stop its operations to rescue the victims - five employees of the government power firm and three boys aged 12 to 15.

The military said it was the first time in the history of kidnapping in Mindanao that the victims were executed. All previous kidnap victims were released unharmed by Moslem rebels.

The Mnlf has been fighting for self-rule for the island of Mindanao, the country's second largest, for the past two decades.

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#90304d9230 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manila (OCT. 31) - The Soviet national airline Aeroflot wants to gain landing rights in the Philippines in order to establish a weekly Moscow-Manila flight, Soviet diplomats disclosed here Wednesday.

They said that negotiations by Moscow and Manila on the question would start soon in the Philippines' capital.

To date, Aeroflot has gained landing rights in four other Southeast Asian nations - Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand and Singapore, parallel to the expansion of Soviet commercial ties in the region.

None of the airlines of the region have yet to establish air links to Moscow, industry officials noted.

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#90304d9250 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (OCT. 31) - Four members of an Italian climbing team have scaled the 6,812-meter Mount Amadablam, the Nepalese Tourism Ministry announceded here Wednesday.

The ministry said Kurt Pritz, 30-year-old mountain guide from Sludarno, and Nepalese high altitude guide Tham Bahadur Magar reached the summit on October 25.

The ministry said two other climbers, expedition leader Ronald Lesso, 29-year-old car driver from Staben, and Tarernini Helnrieh, 31-year-old mountain guide from Schlender, were also successful.

Similarly, Mrs. Eleni Stamatakis, a 52-year-old national service manager from Athens, had climbed to the top of the 6,920-meter Mount Tikuche in western Nepal.

The ministry said she climbed the peak along with Dawa Phuri Sherpa, 28, and

Pemba Tshiring Sherpa, 33, both Nepalese high altitude guides.

Meanwhile, a seven-member Austrian team to the 7,205-meter Langtang Ri peak had called off its attempt on October 21 due to ''very strong winds''.

The Austrian team was led by Peter Konzert, a 48-year-old businessman from Innsbruck.

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#90304d9260 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (OCT. 31) - The German central Bundesbank on Wednesday made available 25 billion Deutschemarks (about 16.6 billion dollars) to the banking system through two repurchase arrangements, the bank said.

The bank injected 16.4 billion marks for 33 days at rates ranging from eight per cent to 8.15 percent.

Banks had sought 43.2 billion marks.

The bank made available 8.6 billion marks for 63 days at rates of 8.25 per cent to 8.45 percent.

Banks had sought 32.1 billion marks.

On Friday two arrangements totalling 27.7 billion marks fall due.

Last week the Bundesbank made available 13.1 billion marks through a 29-day arrangement at rates from eight percent to 8.15 percent.

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#90304d9270 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Paris (OCT. 31) - Britain is the biggest advertising market in Europe, ahead of France and Germany, the French advertising industry association Aacc said in a study here Wednesday.

The British advertising market total some 13.9 billion dollars annually, comfortably ahead of France and Germany, each at about 11.2 billion dollars, the Aacc study said.

Western Europe, with its 410 million consumers, combines for a total advertising volume of some 61 billion dollars, far behind the figures in the U.S., where 94 billion dollars is spent annually on advertising in a market of 246 million consumers, said the Aacc.

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#90304d9490 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Riyadh (OCT. 31) - Iraqis have begun fasting to save food and cope with the steep rise in prices, according to a report published in the Saudi capital Wednesday.

The Saudi daily Asharq Al-Awsat, based in London and printed in Riyadh and other Saudi cities, quoted a Kuwaiti student who, it said, had escaped from Baghdad University recently, as saying that Iraqis are fasting to save food and money while university professors are working as taxi drivers to earn their living.

Mufreh Saud al Namous, a chemistry student at Baghdad University, was quoted as saying that because of the scarcity of basic foodstuffs and the astronomical rise in prices as a consequence of the world embargo on Iraq, the Iraqi people are fasting to meet living requirements.

''It is familiar to see students and professors at the (Baghdad) University refraining from taking lunch at the university restaurant in view of the high prices,'' Namous said in an interview with the paper.

Besides publishing his photo, the paper carried a picture of Iraqis standing in a long queue at bakeries in Baghdad. Iraq is reeling under the United Nations-sanctioned economic blockade imposed in response to Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Namous was quoted as saying that, as a result of the worsening economic conditions in Baghdad, it is not unusual to see some university professors using their private cars as taxis to earn their living.

In sharp contrast, the Kuwaiti student told the paper that the sons of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, Oudei and Kassi, as well as the son of Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz were seen riding the most luxurious vehicles, such as Mercedes, Porsche and Ferrari.

He was quoted as saying that the import of such cars to Iraq is banned except for members of the ruling Baath Party Command and their sons.

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#90304d9520 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (OCT. 31) - South Korean Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Yoo Chong Ha arrived here from Cairo Wednesday for talks with Jordanian officials on the situation in the Gulf and bilateral cooperation, a Korean diplomat said.

He added that Mr. Yoo, who is heading a nine-member delegation representing the trade and industry ministries, would also discuss South Korean assistance to cash-strapped Jordan, now facing severe difficulties because of the Gulf crisis.

"Korea has already committed itself to helping the countries directly hit by the repercussions of the ongoing crisis," the diplomat told AFP.

The Jordanian finance ministry recently said the the government was seeking 1.5 billion dollars in emergency aid to help offset expected losses of up to 2.2 billion dollars over the next 10 months.

The Jordanian economy has been heavily dependent on trade with Iraq, currently the target of sweeping United Nations sanctions because of its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

According to official statistics Jordanian exports to South Korea in 1989 were valued at 15 million dollars, while imports were estimated at 23 million dollars.

The visiting delegation was due to leave for Damascus on Monday.

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#90304d9540 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (OCT. 31) - Japan's housing starts in September rose 5.2 per cent from a year earlier to 152,093 units, the Japanese Construction Ministry said Wednesday.

Construction of houses for sale soared 38.3 per cent to 35,249 units in the month despite earlier speculation of a downward trend because of high intrest rates, ministry officials said.

Newly built condominiums also jumped 65.3 per cent to a record 23,251 units during the month.

Ministry officials said the housing industry tends to build more houses before possible tax reforms are imposed.

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#90304d9800 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (OCT. 31) - The Israeli army has put its new tank, the Merkava III, into service, the Jerusalem Post newspaper reported Wednesday.

The first Merkavas, which Western military experts say are among the most modern tanks in the world, will be deployed in the Golan Heights, captured from Syria during the 1967 Six-Day War.

The Merkava III is armed with a 120-millimeter cannon developed in Israel and uses domestically manufactured ammunition. It is said to have greater range, precision and penetrating power than comparable tanks in the armies of

Israel's adversaries.

Israel's approximately 3,800 tanks currently face 4,100 tanks on the other side of the Syrian border.

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#90304d9980 10/31/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (OCT. 31) - The Marks and Spencer store chain on Wednesday reported an increase of 10.3 percent in pre-tax half-time earnings to 230.3 million pounds (448 million dollars) from 208.7 million pounds in the same period of last year.

Sales totalled 2.65 billion pounds compared with 2.5 billion pounds.

This was in line with forecasts by analysts who had expected profits of between 225 million pounds and 235 million.

An interim dividend of two pence was declared compared with 1.85 pence last time. Earnings per share rose to 5.4 pence from five pence.

Marks and Spencer shares rose four pence to 233 pence.

The company is regarded as a barometer of leading stores, and has a reputation for performing strongly whatever the circumstances. It has reported an increase at a time when many major British retailing groups are suffering severely from high interest rates.

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#90304e0003 10/31/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (OCT. 31) EFE - Two Argentine provincial governors have resigned amid growing popular discontent and protests by public workers who have not been paid for three months.

Nestor Perl and Ricardo De Aparici, governors of Chubut and Jujuy provinces respectively, presented their resignations Tuesday to the provincial legislatures.

Perl resigned shortly after the provincial Chamber of Deputies voted Tuesday to start a political trial against him for negligence and misappropriation of public funds.

In recent weeks, three mass protests have been held against Perl's administration of Chubut, a province in Patagonia, 1,900 km south of Buenos Aires.

The marches were organized by a committee representing public workers,

retirees and small businesses.

Interior Minister Julio Mera Figueroa said that in Jujuy province, 1400 km northwest of Buenos Aires, "an uprising on the part of some sectors of the population" had begun.

On two occasions last week, public workers in Jujuy surrounded the governor's headquarters in the provincial capital. Police thwarted the workers' attempts to seize the building.

The Jujuy legislature had voted to start a political trial against De Aparici, but the trial may now be suspended as a result of his resignation, officials said.

In both provinces, public employees have not received wages since August.

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#90304e0015 10/31/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (OCT. 31) EFE - Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti arrived Wednesday in Madrid where he is to attend the opening of an exhibition of contemporary Italian art.

Spanish Foreign Minister Francisco Fernandez Ordonez greeted Andreotti at the airport. The two later had lunch with Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez.

Wednesday evening, Andreotti is to attend the exhibition opening, to be presided by King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia, at the Centro de Arte Reina Sofia in Madrid.

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#90304e0016 10/31/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

CAIRO (OCT. 31) - The Arab League officially returned its headquarters to Cairo on Wednesday, 11 years after Egypt was expelled from the organization and operations switched to Tunis.

Secretary General Asaad al-Asaad was in Cairo for the move, which was approved at an Arab League ministerial meeting in March.

Egypt was readmitted to the 21-member league in May 1989, 10 years after its explusion for becoming the first Arab nation to establish diplomatic ties with Israel.

Although members voted in favor of Egypt's readmission and the retuome under renewed Arab fire for its strong stand against Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait in August.

The Arab League has split over the crisis, with about half its members condemning the invasion and the remainder abstaining or voting against such resolutions.

Arab diplomats had said Tuesday that the return of operations to Cairo could be delayed until the end of the year as refurbishing of the headquarters had not been completed.

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#90304e0021 10/31/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

AMMAN (OCT. 31) EFE - Jordan's King Hussein left the capital Wednesday for Oman to discuss the Gulf crisis with Sultan Qaboos, Bin Said, Radio Amman reported.

It is to be the first visit by Hussein to a Gulf nation other than Iraq since the outbreak of the crisis following Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Hussein is also to discuss Gulf events with French President Francois Mitterrand during the monarch's November 5 visit to France.

The king has made several visits abroad since the crisis erupted, in a bid to find a peaceful resolution.

Jordan has been particularly hard hit by United Nations-ordered embargo of neighboring Iraq following the invasion.

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#90304e0022 10/31/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SEOUL (OCT. 31) EFE - Police, hurling tear gas cannisters, stormed university campuses Wednesday to prevent the screening of banned North Korean movies which the authorities have said could incite radical student revolts.

The tear gas spread a thick white cloud of smoke over the campus of the Seoul-based University of Korea as some 300 students resisted the 1,000-strong police force with stones and petrol bombs.

The police were making their fourth attempt in two months to stop viewings of the communist-produced movies.

At the University of Kyunghee on the outskirts of the capital, students built barricades with tables and chairs to prevent police from forcing their way in while the movies were being shown.

Similar incidents broke out at universities in Kwangju in the south.

The prime ministers of communist North and U.S.-backed South Korea held

reconciliation talks two weeks ago, but the meetings produced no concrete results.

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#90304e0032 10/31/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

COPENHAGEN (OCT. 31) - The Danish government Wednesday turned down an opposition request to mediate in the Gulf crisis and said it would not play along with Iraq by sending a delegation to Baghdad to seek the release of the 31 Danish hostages.

Former social democrat prime minister Anker Joergensen's offer to act as mediator between Denmark and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was rejected by Foreign Minister Uffe Ellemann-Jensen, who said that playing Saddam's game would destroy international pressure on Iraq.

Denmark, a member of the European Community, Sunday agreed to an EC declaration in Rome that individual member states would not negotiate with Baghdad for the release of hostages.

Since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, hundreds of foreigners have been held by Baghdad, many at strategic military installations, to deter a possible attack from multinational forces amassed in Saudi Arabia.

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#90304f1849 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (OCT. 31) UPI - A late sell-off pressured the grain market to session lows Wednesday on the Chicago Board of Trade, but soybeans recovered their losses during the final minutes of trading.

Commercial buying sparked the rally in soybeans after prices reached their lowest levels in about three months. November beans fell to a low of $5.89 and closed at $5.92, up 1 1/2 cents on the day.

Gains in soybeans were limited by the posting of delivery notices for more than 24 million bushels of November beans.

Grain futures were mixed but mostly lower at the final bell. Commercials and commission houses dominated the selling, but losses were tempered by an increase in basis levels.

Morocco was in the market for 150,000 tons of wheat, Japan was said to have bought 75,000 tons of wheat and South Korea reportedly bought a small amount of corn.

Light country movement and the winding down of harvest activity supported corn and soybean prices, along with hopes of near-term export sales.

At the close, corn was off 1 3/4 to up 1/4, soybeans up 2 1/4 to down 1/2, wheat unchanged to down 2 1/4 and oats up 1/4 to 1.

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#90304h0009 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 31) XINHUA - A LARGE CHEMICAL FERTILIZER PLANT IS BEING BUILT IN LENGSHUIJIANG CITY, HUNAN PROVINCE, THE "CHINESE YOUTH NEWS" REPORTED TODAY.

HUNAN, IN CENTRAL CHINA, IS A KEY AGRICULTURAL PRODUCER. THE PLANT IS BEING BUILT ON THE BASIS OF ZIJIANG NITROGENOUS FERTILIZER PLANT. THE PROJECT REPRESENTS AN INVESTMENT TOTALING 150 MILLION YUAN, 40 PERCENT OF WHICH WILL COME FROM FARMERS.

UPON COMPLETION IN 1993, THE PLANT IS EXPECTED TO TURN OUT 160,000 TONS OF SYNTHETIC AMMONIA AND 260,000 TONS OF UREA A YEAR.

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#90304h0019 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 31) XINHUA - CHINA IS SPEEDING UP CONSTRUCTION OF A NUMBER OF LARGE AND MEDIUM-SIZED POWER GENERATING UNITS, ECONOMIC DAILY REPORTED TODAY.

INCLUDED ARE SIX KEY POWER PROJECTS WITH A COMBINED GENERATING CAPACITY OF 6.4 MILLION KILOWATTS NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION: THE YANTAN HYDROELECTRIC POWER STATION, WITH A POWER GENERATING CAPACITY OF 1.2 MILLION KILOWATTS, IN THE GUANGXI ZHUANG AUTONOMOUS REGION, THE GEHEYAN HYDROELECTRIC POWER STATION, WITH A GENERATING CAPACITY OF 1.2 MILLION KILOWATTS, IN HUBEI PROVINCE, THE SECOND CONSTRUCTION PHASE OF THE NO. THREE POWER PLANT, WITH A GENERATING CAPACITY OF 1.2 MILLION KILOWATTS, IN HARBIN, CAPITAL OF HEILONGJIANG PROVINCE THE DABA POWER PLANT IN THE NINGXIA HUI AUTONOMOUS REGION AND SHENTOU NO.2 POWER PLANT IN SHANXI PROVINCE.

THE STATE COUNCIL HAS RECENTLY APPROVED THE CONSTRUCTION OF ANOTHER 16 POWER PLANTS WITH A COMBINED GENERATING CAPACITY OF 5.9 MILLION KILOWATTS, THE PAPER ADDED.

THE BEIJING-BASED NATIONAL PAPER SAID THAT IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, THE COUNTRY WILL HAVE AN ADDITIONAL POWER GENERATING CAPACITY OF 45 MILLION KILOWATTS.

ACCORDING TO THE PAPER, CHINA PLANS TO HAVE A COMBINED POWER GENERATING CAPACITY OF 240 MILLION KILOWATTS BY THE YEAR 2000.

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#90304h0034 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA (OCT. 31) XINHUA - A TOTAL OF 92 PEOPLE DIED AND 2,600 OTHERS WERE

ATTACKED WITH DIARRHEA IN THREE DISTRICTS IN BANGLADESH LAST MONTH, REPORTS REACHING HERE SAID TODAY.

IN NILPHAMARI, NORTHWEST BANGLADESH, DIARRHEA DEATH TOLL HAS RISEN TO 34 AND MORE THAN 1,000 PEOPLE WERE ATTACKED WITH THE DISEASE WHICH BROKE OUT IN AN EPIDEMIC FORM DURING THE MONTH.

IN TWO SUBDISTRICTS OF THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF RAJBARI, DIARRHEA CLAIMED 25 LIVES INCLUDING CHILDREN AND ATTACKED ABOUT 1,000 OTHERS OVER THE LAST MONTH.

THE DISEASE BROKE OUT IN THE NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT OF KISHOREGANJ IN AN EPIDEMIC FORM TWO WEEKS AGO. WITH TWO PERSONS DIED OF IT ON TUESDAY THE DEATH TOLL ROSE TO 19. AN UNOFFICIAL ESTIMATE SAID THE DEATH FIGURE HAS REACHED 33.

THE WATER-BORNE DISEASE WHICH HIT FOUR SUBDISTRICTS OF THE DISTRICT HAS AFFECTED MORE THAN 600 PEOPLE, MOST OF THEM CHILDREN.

SCARCITY OF ORAL SALINE AND PURE DRINKING WATER HAVE FURTHER DETERIORATED THE SITUATION.

DIARRHEA IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST KILLERS IN THIS LOW-LYING AND EASILY FLOODED SOUTH ASIAN NATION. ACCORDING TO A DHAKA-BASED INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR DIARRHEA DISEASE RESEARCH, THE DISEASE CLAIMS ABOUT 30,000 LIVES IN THE COUNTRY EVERY YEAR.

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#90304h0035 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

YANGON (OCT. 31) XINHUA - MYANMAR MINISTER FOR PLANNING AND FINANCE DAVID ABEL HAS ANNOUNCED THAT RICE PRICES WILL FALL IN THE COUNTRY.

THE RICE PRICE CAN FALL TO SEVEN KYATS OR 8.5 KYATS PER PYI (ONE PYI OF RICE EQUALS TO 2.127 KILOGRAMS) FROM THE CURRENT PRICE OF 11 OR 12 KYATS PER PYI.

ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL EXCHANGE RATE, ONE U.S. DOLLAR EQUALS ABOUT 6.5 KYATS.

UNDER CURRENT RICE PRICES, ORDINARY PEOPLE'S LIFE IN THE COUNTRY IS QUITE HARSH.

THE MINISTER'S DISCLOSURE CAME AFTER GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HELD A MEETING TUESDAY TO DISCUSS BRINGING DOWN PRICES OF COMMODITIES AND BUYING PADDY.

THE REAPING SEASON FOR PADDY IN MYANMAR HAS BEGUN AND WILL END EARLY NEXT YEAR.

ABEL STATED THAT ABOUT 13.64 MILLION TONS OF PADDY ARE EXPECTED TO BE REAPED FOR THE 1990/1991 FISCAL YEAR ENDING ON MARCH 31 NEXT YEAR.

ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL STATISTICS, THE COUNTRY'S ANNUAL DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION OF

PADDY IS ABOUT 11.9 MILLION TONS.

MYANMAR IS AN AGRICULTURAL COUNTRY WITH A POPULATION OF FORTY MILLION, RICE IS THE STAPLE FOOD OF EVERY FAMILY IN THE NATION.

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#90304h0036 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WARSAW (OCT. 31) XINHUA - POLAND HAD A GOOD HARVEST THIS YEAR WITH GRAIN OUTPUT ESTIMATED AT 26 MILLION TONS, A POLISH OFFICIAL SAID TODAY.

HENRYK ANTOSIAK, VICE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD ECONOMY, SAID POTATO YIELD REACHED 35 MILLION TONS, 600,000 TONS MORE THAN LAST YEAR, AND SUGAR OUTPUT WILL BE 400,000 TONS IN SURPLUS.

ANTOSIAK SAID STAPLE FARM PRODUCTS, EXCEPT APPLES, WILL MEET THE DEMANDS OF BOTH MARKET AND AGRO-INDUSTRY, AND LAY A GOOD FOUNDATION FOR DEVELOPING ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND EXPORTS.

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#90304h0050 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (OCT. 31) XINHUA - 1,800 KILOGRAMS OF HEROIN WORTH AT LEAST 250 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS HAVE BEEN SEIZED IN CHILGHAZI NEAR BALBANDIN CLOSE TO IRANIAN BORDER IN PAKISTAN'S BALOCHISTAN PROVINCE.

ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL REPORT HERE TODAY, THIS GIGANTIC DRUG SEIZURE WAS MADE AFTER A FIERCE GUN-BATTLE BETWEEN THE PAKISTAN GOVERNMENT ARMED FORCES AND THE PRIVATE ARMY OF A MAJOR DRUG BARON ON OCTOBER 10.

ON HEARING THIS NEWS, THE REPORT SAID, A TEAM OF THE U.S. DRUG ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OFFICIALS INSPECTED THE SEIZED STOCKS OF DRUGS IN BALOCHISTAN THIS WEEK.

THE REPORT DISCLOSED THAT THE MAN BEHIND THIS MAJOR DRUG OPERATION WAS A KEY FIGURE OF THE NORTEZAI TRIBE, WHOSE LEADERS HAVE EMERGED AS GOD FATHER OF THE BALOCHISTAN POLITICS.

THE REPORT ALSO SAID PRESIDENT GHULAM ISHAQ KHAN AND CHIEF OF ARMY STAFF GENERAL MIRZA ASLAM BEG WERE BRIEFED ON THE CASE ONLY HOURS AFTER THE GUN-BATTLE IN THE DESERT CLOSE TO THE IRANIAN BORDERS.

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#90304h0077 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (OCT. 31) XINHUA - THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (ADB) HAS APPROVED LOANS TOTALING 750.13 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS DURING THE THIRD QUARTER OF THIS YEAR FOR PROJECTS IN 12 OF ITS DEVELOPING MEMBER COUNTRIES, THE MANILA-BASED BANK ANNOUNCED HERE THIS AFTERNOON.

THIS BROUGHT ITS TOTAL LOAN APPROVALS DURING THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF THIS YEAR TO 1,647.73 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, 238.3 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS MORE THAN THE FIGURE FOR THE SAME 1989 PERIOD, THE BANK ADDED.

THE THIRD QUARTER TOTAL INCLUDED 734.13 MILLION U. S. DOLLARS IN 11 LOANS TO 10 DEVELOPING MEMBER COUNTRIES GUARANTEED BY THE RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS AND 16 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN LOANS TO PRIVATE SECTOR PROJECTS IN TWO COUNTRIES WITHOUT GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE, ADB EXPLAINED.

DURING THE QUARTER, ADB ALSO MADE FIVE EQUITY INVESTMENTS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR TOTALING 7.15 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, AND APPROVED 52 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS TO 19 DEVELOPING MEMBER COUNTRIES FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF 18.7 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS AND 16 GRANTS TOTALING 6.1 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR REGIONAL ACTIVITIES, ADB SAID.

THE LOANS AND GRANTS COVERED PROJECTS OF AGRICULTURE, EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, INFRASTRUCTURE, ENERGY AND TRANSPORT, POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS EXPORT TRADE AND PERSONNEL TRAINING, THE BANK ADDED.

FOUNDED IN 1966, ADB NOW HAS A TOTAL OF 49 REGIONAL AND NON-REGIONAL MEMBERS.

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#90304h0087 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (OCT. 31) XINHUA - THE NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT HAS ABORTED A PLANNED BAN ON EXPORT OF RAW COCA BEANS.

ANNOUNCING THE GOVERNMENT DECISION HERE YESTERDAY, NIGERIAN INFORMATION MINISTER ALEX AKINYELE EXPLAINED THAT THE PROPOSED BAN HAS BEEN ABORTED BECAUSE THE COUNTRY HAS NO ADEQUATE COCOA PROCESSING FACILITIES AT PRESENT.

NIGERIA DECIDED EARLIER TO BAN THE EXPORT OF RAW COCOA BEANS FROM NEXT JANUARY HOPING TO GET MORE FOREIGN EXCHANGE BY EXPORTING PROCESSED COCOA PRODUCTS.

BUT THE BAN HAS BEEN OPPOSED BY COCOA FARMERS AND EXPORTERS OF THE COUNTRY. THEY HAVE ARGUED THAT NEARLY HALF OF THE COCOA OUTPUT WOULD BE WASTED AS A RESULT OF THE INADEQUACY OF THE NATION'S PROCESSING ABILITY.

NIGERIA PRODUCES ABOUT 180,000 TONS OF COCOA BEANS ANNUALLY WHILE ONLY 90,000 TONS CAN BE PROCESSED IN THE THREE EXISTING PLANTS IN THE COUNTRY.

MINISTER AKINYELE ADMITTED THAT THE REALITY DEMANDS ADEQUATE PROCESSING FACILITIES BEFORE A BAN ON RAW COCOA EXPORT COULD BE EFFECTED.

NINE MORE COCOA PROCESSING PLANTS ARE EXPECTED TO BE ESTABLISHED IN THE NEAR FUTURE, OF WHICH SIX WITH A PROCESSING CAPACITY OF 73,000 TONS ANNUALLY WILL START FULL OPERATION IN JUNE NEXT YEAR.

INFORMED NIGERIAN SOURCES SAID THAT EXTERNAL PRESSURE MAINLY FROM THE LONDON CLUB OF CREDITORS WAS PART OF THE CAUSE FOR THE ABORTION OF THE BAN. THE CLUB WARNED THAT NIGERIA MIGHT SUFFER LOSS FOLLOWING THE BAN.

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#90304h0101 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BUCHAREST (OCT. 31) XINHUA - ROMANIAN BUS AND TRUCK DRIVERS WENT ON A STRIKE TUESDAY FOR HIGHER PAY, CUTTING OFF TRAFFIC AT MANY SECTIONS OF THE COUNTRY'S COMMUNICATION LINES.

STRIKERS SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT FAILED TO MEET THE DEMAND FOR WAGE RISE THEY ADVANCED FOUR MONTHS AGO, AND THAT THEY ARE ALSO ASKING FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF SPARE PARTS SUPPLY AND A READJUSTMENT OF BUS FARE AND TRANSPORTATION FEES.

THE GOVERNMENT PRESS OFFICE, HOWEVER, DECLEARED THE STRIKE "UNJUSTIFIED," SAYING WAGES HAVE BEEN RAISED FOR MANY DRIVERS, IN ADDITION TO A LONGER VACATION WITH PAYMENT, AND AN INCREASED SUBSIDY FOR NIGHT SHIFT AND LONG-DISTANCE INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC.

PRESS OFFICIALS ATTRIBUTED THE SHORTAGE OF MOTOR VEHICLE SPARE PARTS TO THE DROP OF PRODUCTION IN MACHINE BUILDING INDUSTRY.

THE STRIKE BEGAN WITH 1,300 DEMONSTRATORS DRIVING VEHICLES THROUGH DOWNTOWN BUCHAREST TO SHOW PROTEST. THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT AND POLICE BUREAU TERMED THE DEMONSTRATION AS ILLEGAL, SAYING IT WAS STARTED WITHOUT PERMISSION FROM THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

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#90304h0102 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HANGZHOU (OCT. 31) XINHUA - CHINESE RICE EXPERTS FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE WORLD REAPED A RICH HARVEST OF RICE ON NON-EARTH FLOATING MATERIAL IN A POND IN EAST CHINA'S ZHEJIANG PROVINCE THIS MONTH.

ON A TWO-MU (0.13 HA) SPECIAL RICE "FIELD", MADE FROM ARTIFICIAL MATERIALS, IN A POND ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF HANGZHOU, CAPITAL OF ZHEJIANG PROVINCE, SONG XIANGFU, A RICE EXPERT AND DIRECTOR OF A RESEARCH PROJECT, HARVESTED 992 KG OF RICE, EQUAL TO 7,440 KG PER HA.

THE POND IS QUITE DEEP COMPARED WITH ORDINARY RICE FIELD, FOR WHEN SONG JUMPED INTO THE POND TO HARVEST THE RICE, WATER CAME UP TO HIS WAIST.

ABOUT 20 OTHER CHINESE RICE EXPERTS WATCHED SONG HARVESTING THE RICE. "THIS IS REALLY A MIRACLE IN THE HISTORY OF RICE-GROWING," SAID DR. XU GUANREN, DIVISION MEMBER OF THE CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES.

CHINA BEGAN RESEARCH INTO GROWING RICE WITH HYDROPONICS IN 1988. DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS EXPERTS FROM THE CHINESE RICE INSTITUTE MANAGED TO FIND AN IDEAL SUBSTITUTE FOR EARTH.

THEY PLANTED RICE ON IT AND APPLIED COMPLEX COMPOUND FERTILIZER DEVELOPED BY THEMSELVES.

EXPERTS SAY THE NEW HYDROPONICS HAS PROVED SUPERIOR TO GROWING RICE ON LAND.

THIS YEAR, HANGZHOU WAS HIT BY TYPHOONS FOUR TIMES AND BY A TWO-MONTH DROUGHT, BUT THE RICE GROWN ON THE SPECIAL MATERIAL FLOATING IN POND WAS NOT AFFECTED, SAID SONG.

THE RICE EXPERTS DID NOT SAY WHAT KIND OF MATERIAL THEY USED TO MAKE UP THE RICE BED AND HOW MUCH IT COST TO PRODUCE THE RICE.

YET, ALL THE RICE EXPERTS ON THE SPOT SAID THEY BELIEVED THAT THE SUCCESS SHOWS THAT CHINA IS IN THE LEADING POSITION IN THIS FIELD. HYDROPONICS OF RICE ALSO DEMONSTRATES BRIGHT PROSPECTS, AS CHINA HAS ABOUT 24,800 LAKE COVERING 835,400 SQ KM AND RESERVOIRS TOTALING 4.3 MILLION HA, EXPERTS SAY.

WITH A POPULATION OF 1.16 BILLION CHINA FACES A SERIOUS PROBLEM OF SHRINKING CULTIVATED LAND AND GROWING POPULATION. IT IS ESTIMATED EACH YEAR THE POPULATION WILL INCREASE BY 15 MILLION OR MORE AND CULTIVATED LAND SHRINK BY AT LEAST 400,000 HA.

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#90304h0111 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (OCT. 31) XINHUA - CHINESE MINISTER OF COMMERCE HU PING LEFT FOR A ONE-WEEK VISIT TO JAPAN TODAY AT THE HEAD OF A COMMERCIAL DELEGATION.

HU SAID THAT HIS VISIT IS AT THE INVITATION OF SAITO EISHIRO, CHAIRMAN OF THE JAPAN FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS AND HONORARY CHAIRMAN OF THE JAPAN-CHINA FOOD CIRCULATION DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.

IT IS LEARNED THAT HU WILL MEET JAPANESE BUSINESS EXECUTIVES AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON THE FORMATION OF MEDIUM- AND LONG-TERM PROGRAMS FOR SINO-JAPANESE FOODSTUFFS CO-OPERATION.

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#90304h0118 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (OCT. 31) XINHUA - INDIA AND AUSTRIA HAVE AGREED TO STEP UP BILATERAL TRADE TO 1 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS FROM THE PRESENT LEVEL OF 100 MILLION DOLLARS, LOCAL PRESS TODAY QUOTED THE AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR TO INDIA AS SAYING.

ADDRESSING THE MEMBERS OF THE INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER IN BOMBAY ON TUESDAY, THE AMBASSADOR, C. CORNARO, INDICATED THAT THERE IS ENORMOUS SCOPE FOR FURTHER CO-OPERATION BETWEEN INDIAN AND AUSTRIAN INDUSTRIES IN THE AREAS OF WIDENING BILATERAL TRADE, TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY AND SETTING UP JOINT VENTURES.

CURRENTLY, INDIA'S EXPORTS TO AUSTRIA CONSIST MAINLY OF LOW VALUE-ADDED ITEMS LIKE LEATHER AND LEATHER GOODS, TEXTILES, GARMENTS, COFFEE, TEA AND SPICES.

INDIA CAN INCREASE ITS EXPORTS TO AUSTRIA IN NEW AREAS LIKE COMPUTER SOFTWARE, AUTO ANCILLARIES, DRUGS, JEWELRY ITEMS AND IRON ORE.

INDIA'S EXPORTS TO AUSTRIA IN 1988-89 AMOUNTED TO 533.7 MILLION RUPEES (31.4 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) AS AGAINST IMPORTS FROM AUSTRIA WORTH 1,091.7 MILLION RUPEES (64.2 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

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#90304h0123 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (OCT. 31) XINHUA - STARTING NOVEMBER 1, MINIMUM WAGE EARNERS IN BRAZIL WILL MAKE 8,329.55 CRUZEIROS A MONTH, AN INCREASE OF 29.64 PERCENT OVER THE PREVIOUS FIGURE.

THE MINIMUM WAGE WAS ADJUSTED TO REFLECT CHANGES IN THE PRICES OF STAPLE GOODS AS REGISTERED BY THE BASIC BASKET INDEX (ICB) DURING THE MONTHS OF SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER.

ACCORDING TO FIGURES RELEASED BY THE BRAZILIAN INSTITUTE OF GEOGRAPHY AND STATISTICS (IBGE), THE BASIC BASKET INDEX WEIGHED IN AT 12.62 PERCENT OF THE MINIMUM WAGE IN SEPTEMBER AND AT 15.11 PERCENT IN OCTOBER.

OCTOBER'S OFFICIAL INFLATION RATE WAS 13.71 PERCENT. THE FIGURE WAS MEASURED BY THE READJUSTMENT INDEX OF ECONOMIC INDICATORS.

THE MINIMUM WAGE IN BRAZIL IS NOMINALLY ADJUSTED EACH MONTH. HOWEVER, EVERY TWO MONTHS WAGES ARE MODIFIED ACCORDING TO THE BASIC BASKET INDEX, WHILE INTERVAL MONTHS SEE A VERY MINOR ADJUSTMENT IN TERMS OF REAL INCOME.

UP TO OCTOBER 31, THE MINIMUM MONTHLY WAGE WAS 6,425.14 CRUZEIROS AT A DOLLAR PARITY OF 106 TO ONE.

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#90304h0133 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

FUZHOU (OCT. 31) XINHUA - CHEN GUANGYI WAS ELECTED HERE TODAY SECRETARY OF THE FUJIAN PROVINCIAL COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CHINA (CPC) AT THE FIRST PLENARY SESSION OF THE PROVINCE'S FIFTH CPC COMMITTEE.

MEANWHILE, JIA QINGLIN AND YUAN QITONG WERE ELECTED AS DEPUTY SECRETARIES.

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#90304h0136 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (OCT. 31) XINHUA - CHI HAOTIAN, CHIEF OF THE GENERAL STAFF OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY, TODAY CALLED ON MILITARY OFFICIALS TO CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT FOR STUDY AND RESEARCH IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THEIR THINKING AND PROFESSIONAL QUALITIES.

CHI MADE THE REMARKS AT A CEREMONY HELD FOR XINHUA NEWS AGENCY -- CHINA'S NATIONAL WIRE SERVICE -- TO PRESENT "CHINA YEAR BOOK" TO THE GENERAL STAFF OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY.

"CHINA YEAR BOOK," WHICH IS PUBLISHED ANNUALLY IN BOTH CHINESE AND ENGLISH EDITIONS, INTRODUCES PARTY AND GOVERNMENT PRINCIPLES, POLICIES AND LAWS, THE COUNTRY'S MAJOR EVENTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT, POLITICS, ECONOMY, FOREIGN RELATIONS, MILITARY AFFAIRS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, CULTURAL ACTIVITIES AND PEOPLE'S LIFE.

CHI POINTED OUT THAT IF THE OFFICERS WANT TO OFFER "GOOD ADVICE" BASED ON WIDE KNOWLEDGE, IT IS IMPORTANT TO PLACE EMPHASIS ON COLLECTING MATERIAL, MAINTAINING A GOOD COMMAND OF CURRENT EVENTS, AND BECOME FAMILIAR WITH MILITARY ACTION BOTH AT HOME AND ABROAD.

GUO CHAOREN, VICE-PRESIDENT OF XINHUA NEWS AGENCY, AND HE QIZONG, DEPUTY CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY, WERE ALSO PRESENT AT THE CEREMONY.

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#90304h0140 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
HARARE (OCT. 31) XINHUA - NAMIB AIR, NAMIBIA'S NATIONAL AIRLINE, TODAY MADE A SUCCESSFUL MAIDEN FLIGHT LINKING THE TWO COUNTRIES' CAPITAL CITIES.

THE WINDHOEK-HARARE ROUTE IS THE SECOND ROUTE ESTABLISHED BY THE WORLD'S YOUNGEST NATIONAL AIRLINE TO LINK THE NAMIBIAN CAPITAL WITH ITS NEIGHBORS. REGULAR FLIGHTS TO SOUTH AFRICA WAS LAUNCHED LAST YEAR.

ABOUT 100 PASSENGERS INCLUDING GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND BUSINESSMEN WERE ON ABOARD AN BEOING 737 PLANE WHICH MADE THE INAUGURAL FLIGHT TODAY.

SPEAKING AT THE HARARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AT A WELCOMING CEREMONY, ZIMBABWEAN DEPUTY MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AMINA HUGHES SAID THAT THE DIRECT WEEKLY FLIGHT WOULD PROMOTE TRADE AND TOURISM BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

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#90304h0141 10/31/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ADDIS ABABA (OCT. 31) XINHUA - ETHIOPIA AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY SIGNED AN AGREEMENT HERE TODAY UNDER WHICH GERMANY WILL PROVIDE THE EAST AFRICAN COUNTRY WITH A GRANT OF ABOUT 13 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

ACCORDING TO THE ETHIOPIAN NEWS AGENCY, THE GRANT WILL BE USED CHIEFLY FOR THE CONSERVATION OF FOREST AND SOIL IN SOME AREAS IN ETHIOPIA.

THE REMAINING FUND WILL GO TO FINANCE WATER SUPPLY PROJECTS IN CENTRAL ETHIOPIA, WHICH ARE EXPECTED TO BENEFIT 10 MILLION RURAL ETHIOPIANS.

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Nightline (ABC) October 30, 1990 (Transcript #2462)

Why New Hostage Emphasis?: After two months of quiet on the condition of American hostages in Kuwait and Iraq, Sec. of State James Baker brings attention to their plight in a speech. Is it to raise war fervor or to warn Saddam Hussein?

Crossfire (CNN) October 30, 1990 (Transcript #172)

Hard Times Ahead?: Reagan Budget Director Jim Miller and Jim Glassman, Editor of Roll Call, debate whether or not the U.S. is in a recession and what should be done about it.

Frontline (PBS) October 30, 1990 (Transcript #903)

Broken Minds: Schizophrenia is the most devastating of the major mental illnesses. This program examines typical schizophrenic behavior, and a study of twins that is providing physical evidence of a neurological cause.

Larry King Live (CNN) October 30, 1990 (Transcript #160)

''A Soviet Defector Speaks Out'' (former high-ranking KGB agent Oleg Gordievsky and intelligence historian Christopher Andrew discuss their book KGB -- The Inside Story, about Soviet intelligence-gathering methods); ''G. Gordon Liddy'' (discusses his latest book and the Watergate scandal).

Inside Corporate America (FNN) October 30, 1990 (Transcript #69)

Bell Atlantic: How will the recession affect Bell Atlantic and its performance? Will they convince Congress to allow them to go into cable TV and what is their future in the international market?

Nova (WGBH) October 30, 1990 (Transcript #1714)

The Blimp is Back!: The history of the lighter-than-air ship from its origin in Paris through the hydrogen-filled German Zeppelin dirigibles, U.S. helium-filled blimps, modern designs, and its disasters and triumphs.

Donahue October 30, 1990 (Transcript #3066)

Japanese Racial Insensitivities: A racial slur by a Japanese government official has focused attention on Japanese attitudes towards minorities in Japan and America and prompted calls for an African-American boycott of Japanese businesses.

Sally Jessy Raphael October 30, 1990 (Transcript #562)

Housewives in Sexy Second Careers: Women who once defined themselves as middle-aged housewives but are now pursuing their wildest fantasies. One woman owns and works in a brothel, another has become a topless dancer.

Geraldo October 30, 1990 (Transcript #814)

Fatal Marriages: Attorneys, victims' families and the media discuss marriages that end in murder. The main motive for murder in a marriage is agreed to be money a spouse may gain from the death of their husband of wife.

Wednesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Mayor Marion Barry Sentenced to Six Months in Jail Sally Jessy Raphael: I Found My Mother Geraldo: Drug Celebrities Oprah Winfrey: Fathers and the Sons They Never Knew 48 Hours: Panic, Fears and Phobias

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#90304k0050 10/31/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 31) KYODO - THE FINANCE MINISTRY IS CONSIDERING HOLDING AN AUCTION OF SOME 300 BILLION YEN WORTH OF 20-YEAR GOVERNMENT BONDS ON THURSDAY, MINISTRY SOURCES SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE COUPON RATE IS LIKELY TO BE SET AT AROUND 7.3 PERCENT PER ANNUM. THE MINISTRY NOW BELIEVES THE RECENT RECOVERY OF THE BOND MARKET, HELPED BY THE YEN'S UPTREND AND STABILIZATION OF CRUDE OIL PRICES, WOULD MAKE THE SALE OF SUCH BONDS SMOOTH, THE SOURCES SAID.

UNDER THE INITIAL PLAN, THE MINISTRY WAS TO ISSUE 1.2 TRILLION YEN WORTH OF 20-YEAR GOVERNMENT BONDS IN FOUR AUCTIONS IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. BUT THE ISSUING AMOUNT WILL BE REDUCED SINCE IT SKIPOPED THE ISSUANCE IN AUGUST, THE SOURCES SAID.

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#90304k0066 10/31/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (OCT. 31) KYODO - JAPAN'S TAX REVENUE GROWTH SHOWED SIGNS OF LEVELING OFF IN SEPTEMBER DUE MAINLY TO A FALL IN INCOME FROM INHERITANCE TAX AND A MODERATE GROWTH OF CORPORATE TAX, THE FINANCE MINISTRY REPORTED WEDNESDAY.

THE MINISTRY SAID TAX REVENUE IN SEPTEMBER TOTALED 2,867.45 BILLION YEN, UP 9.4 PERCENT OVER A YEAR BEFORE.

THE YEAR-ON-YEAR GROWTH RATE COMPARED WITH A RISE OF ABOUT 20 PERCENT IN PREVIOUS MONTHS.

MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID THE HIGH-PITCHED TAX REVENUE GROWTH OF THE PAST HAS APPARENTLY PEAKED, PREDICTING A FURTHER SLOWDOWN IN CORPORATE TAX REVENUE IN VIEW OF POOR BUSINESS RESULTS POSTED BY FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE REVENUE FOR THE WHOLE OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR WOULD BE SLIGHTLY ABOVE THE ESTIMATE INCORPORATED IN THE NATIONAL BUDGET.

THE MINISTRY SAID TAX REVENUE FOR THE FIRST HALF OF FISCAL 1990 TOTALED 18,145.75 BILLION YEN, UP 20.0 PERCENT OVER A YEAR BEFORE BUT DOWN MORE THAN 2 PERCENTAGE POINTS FROM THE TOTAL FOR THE APRIL-AUGUST PERIOD.

IT SAID THE SEPTEMBER REVENUE INCLUDED INCOME TAX OF 1,312.32 BILLION YEN, UP 21.8 PERCENT OVER A YEAR BEFORE.

REVENUE FROM CORPORATE TAX GREW A MILD 0.9 PERCENT TO 481.86 BILLION YEN WHILE THAT FROM INHERITANCE TAX FELL 25.1 PERCENT TO 127.97 BILLION YEN, THE MINISTRY SAID.

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#90304k0085 10/31/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SINGAPORE (OCT. 31) KYODO - EXPORTS OF GOODS MADE IN SINGAPORE TO JAPAN AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY SHOWED HEALTHY GROWTH IN AUGUST BUT THE REPUBLIC SOLD LESS TO ITS OTHER MAJOR MARKETS IN THE UNITED STATES AND MALAYSIA, THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT BOARD SAID WEDNESDAY.

STATISTICS RELEASED BY THE BOARD SHOWED THAT THE TOTAL EXPORTS, INCLUDING REEXPORTS, GREW 2.3 PERCENT IN NOMINAL TERMS IN AUGUST OVER A YEAR BEFORE TO 8,001 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS (4,706 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

BECAUSE OF MORE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND DATA PROCESSING MACHINES CONSUMED BY JAPAN, DOMESTIC EXPORTS (NOT INCLUDING REEXPORTS) TO JAPAN RECOVERED STRONGLY BY 22.2 PERCENT TO 573 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS, REVERSING THE SLUGGISH TRENDS WHICH HAD PREVAILED SINCE APRIL.

THE BOARD CLASSIFIES SINGAPORE-MADE OIL AND NONOIL PRODUCTS AS DOMESTIC EXPORTS WHILE REEXPORTS ARE EXCLUDED.

BUT DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES, WHICH IS THE REPUBLIC'S LARGEST EXPORT MARKET, DROPPED 0.5 PERCENT TO 1,543 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS DUE TO FEWER EXPORTS OF NONOIL SINGAPORE-MADE GOODS SUCH AS RADIO SETS, OFFICE MACHINES, TELECOMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT, AND WOVEN CLOTHING.

DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES EXPANDED 9 PERCENT IN JULY THIS YEAR.

MEANWHILE, CONTINUING THE ROBUST 20.1 PERCENT EXPORT GROWTH IN JULY, DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY JUMPED 22.9 PERCENT TO 884 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS, THE BOARD SAID.

PRODUCTS POPULAR IN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY IN AUGUST WERE DATA PROCESSING AND OTHER OFFICE MACHINES AND HOUSEHOLD ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES SUCH AS VIDEOCASSETTE RECORDERS AND RADIOS.

WITH LESS DEMAND FOR PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, ELECTRONIC VALVES AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO MALAYSIA FELL 9.6 PERCENT TO 413 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS COMPARED WITH THE 19.1 PERCENT GROWTH IN JULY.

IN NOMINAL TERMS, TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF OIL GREW 14.4 PERCENT TO 1,297 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS IN AUGUST DUE TO SOARING OIL PRICES WHICH FOLLOWED IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

THE BOARD SAID IMPORTS ROSE 5.4 PERCENT TO 9,120 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS, RAISING THE REPUBLIC'S TOTAL TRADE TO 17,121 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS.

IMPORTS ON THE WHOLE ROSE BECAUSE SINGAPORE BOUGHT MORE COLOR TELEVISIONS,

CIGARETTES, INTEGRATED CIRCUITS, COMPUTER PARTS, AND MOTOR TANKERS, THE BOARD SAID.

IT ALSO NOTED A RISE IN THE IMPORT OF CRUDE PETROLEUM MAINLY FROM SAUDI ARABIA AND THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES AND REFINED SPIRITS FROM CHINA AND THE EMIRATES.

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#90304m0001 10/31/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 31) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei drifts down 48 points. ... The FTSE rallies at midday, up 23 points. ... The dollar is stronger against most major currencies. Sea crude is down 65 cents to $33.75. ... Sales of new single-family homes fell 6% from August to September. ... FORD reports third- quarter earnings fell nearly 79% to 22 cents a share, less than half what most analysts were expecting. ... CHRYSLER and the UNITED AUTO WORKERS union have reached a tentative agreement on a three-year contract. ... "USA Today" says it has learned the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION is investigating whether FINANCIAL NEWS NETWORK dramatically inflated its operating results. ... CARL ICAHN says he is not satisfied with USX CORP.'s plan to transfer control of its steel division to a wholly owned subsidiary.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports on personal income and factory orders at 10 a.m. ... GENERAL CINEMA says it will buy the 40% of NEIMAN- MARCUS that it doesn't already own for $240 million.

FROM THE BULLS:

This is a "crisis related decline rather than the initial shot in a bear market," says the still bullish STEPHEN LEEB in "Indicator Digest." "In almost all cases, a crisis low turns out to be a a major low," says Leeb who thinks yields on many top flight companies are at "absurdly high levels." There is still risk, cautions Leeb: "Short term, this is still a panic driven market." (CNBC "World Business" 10/31)

FROM THE BEARS:

Many money managers are waiting to sell into a stronger "bear-market rally," says PAUL HENNESSEY, head of equities trading at BOSTON CO. He says yesterday's gains were magnified by a lack of willing sellers with few institutions willing to sell shares with the DJIA below 2450. "When the Dow

[industrials] get above 2500, you'll find more buyers." (WSJ, 10/31)

STOCK MARKET:

"The GNP numbers relieved some fears among those who believe the economy is falling into an abyss, but the market is always looking ahead," says ALFRED GOLDMAN of A.G. EDWARDS. A.C. MOORE of ARGUS RESEARCH says he thinks the GNP increase "might well represent the economy's last hurrah before a recession in the fourth quarter." ("USA Today", 10/31)

The longer term trend could be turning down, if not sharply down, says PETER ELIADES at "Stock Market Cycles." While he says the market could see a good rally and another top in the November 8-13 time period, he remains extremely bearish over the intermediate term. "The bear market should resume in earnest between November 8 and January 18," says Eliades. (CNBC "World Business", 10/31)

"Traders are still conditioned to buy peace and sell war," says A.C. MOORE, research director at ARGUS RESEARCH. "You get an immediate knee-jerk response to peace rumors." (WSJ, 10/31)

"The catalyst to [yesterday's] rally was having a minor down day in crude oil " says JON GROVEMAN of LADENBURG THALMANN. He says there is "a massive wall of resistance" between 2500 and 2550, but says if the market can "penetrate that level, people would be comfortable in assuming the worst is over." On the other hand, if the market falls through 2420, it "could go substantially lower." ("Investor's Daily", 10/31)

Having counted on Congress to heed President Bush's call to restore capital gains to favor under the tax code, many investors are likely to feel they were instead dealt a loss in the deficit reduction legislation approved on Saturday. "A lot of people put off selling and got killed by the market,' says DAVID BERENSON, national director of tax policy for ERNST & YOUNG IN WASHINGTON. "They walked into an economic loss because they waited." With their hopes for sizable benefits dashed, he adds, "a lot of people will be running for the exits" in doing year-end tax-loss sales. Investors need to decide whether to "act now and avoid the rush," he says. (NYT, 10/31)

STOCK TIPS:

GRUNTAL & CO. recommends buying stock in WAL-MART STORES INC., the discount chain with more than 1,500 stores in 34 states. Gruntal says the company's earnings are expected to grow 20% to 25% annually in the next few years. ("USA Today", 10/31)

If the economy slips into a shallow, protracted recession, fast- growing companies such as AUTODESK, NOVELL and US WEST NEWVECTOR will feel the pinch but will still prosper relative to many larger businesses, says GORDON FINES,

manager of the $200 million IDS GROWTH SPECTRUM ADVISORS FUND of Minneapolis. "As long as you're going to have some money invested, these are diamonds in the rough." Mr. Fines cautions that such stocks could still drop 10% or more if the Dow Jones Industrial Average plummets to the low-2000 range. But if interest rates fall, "there's no reason these stocks couldn't trade at 20 times earnings." (WSJ, 10/31)

ROBERT HORMATS at GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL says only those who "have a strong stomach and don't easily lose sleep" should buy Japanese stocks now. "Caution is our bottom line on Japan," says GAVIN DOBSON at MURRAY JOHNSTONE INTERNATIONAL. MERRILL LYNCH's TOM ROBINSON says the Nikkei would be fairly valued "at around 20,000" - compared to its close yesterday of 25,242. ("USA Today", 10/31)

The balance sheets of life insurance and casualty insurance companies look quite different from one another, says MICHAEL FRINQUELLI, a managing director at SALOMON BROTHERS. "The life insurance industry has about 20% of its assets in real estate, the casualty companies [have] about 5%." Casualty insurers are the better bet "unless we have another mega-earthquake," says Frinquelli. He says the industry will weather a recession and that cash flows are adequate to cover real estate exposures, but still worries about a possible loss of public confidence in insurers. His favorite is ST. PAUL COMPANIES, but he also likes CHUBB in the non-life category. His favorite life stocks include AMERICAN GENERAL. AETNA is a recent recommendation from STEPHEN LEEB at "Indicator Digest." He calls the company a "showcase of safety." (CNN "Business Morning" & CNBC "World Business", 10/31)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (OCT. 31) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"People were so uniformly bearish about the dollar that it's inevitable that it will bottom out," says MARK CLIFFE, chief economist at NOMURA INTERNATIONAL LTD. in London. (WSJ, 10/31)

With a recession waiting in the wings, "the outlook is not very appealing" for the dollar, according to MERRILL LYNCH's BRUCE STEINBERG. ("Investor's Daily" 10/31)

A major reason for the dollar's expected rebound is a continued improvement in the U.S. trade picture. At the currency's present levels, U.S. exports are highly competitive overseas, and that should boost the dollar, says RICHARD WITTEN, vice president in charge of foreign exchange at GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO.

In the first half of next year, he says "the U.S. will probably be running a significant trade surplus with Western Europe and a significantly reduced trade deficit with Japan." (WSJ, 10/31)

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN will continue "grudgingly easing monetary policy," according to ALEXANDER PARIS of BARRINGTON RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. He says the Fed has been slowly easing since May, and believes both the economy and the stock market are closer to the end of their respective problems than they are to the beginning. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/30)

"The stage is set for a more noticeable response than what we've seen so far from the Fed," says RICHARD EAKLE, president of EAKLE ASSOCIATES. He remains hopeful that the Fed will act soon to cut interest rates again following its rate cut on Monday. He adds that the September unemployment report due out Friday could be the Fed's next cue to ease. (WSJ, 10/31)

The GNP figures will not have "much impact on what the Federal Reserve would or would not do," according to MICHAEL BOSKIN, chairman of the White House Council of Economic Advisers. He points out that the Fed has "to take into account not only where the economy is but where they expect it to go." Boskin believes the economy is not as weak as many think and predicts that it will continue to grow, even though "the next quarter or two may be somewhat weaker." ("Investor's Daily", 10/31)

"We've got to stumble through next week's auction," says TIM SCALA of SEQUOR GROUP. He says that partially as a result of the dollar's problems, Japanese investors may "stay away" from the quarterly refunding. "We're a little bit concerned about that," says Scala. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/30)

"The GNP data are more likely to leave the Federal Reserve hawks more secure in resisting cries for [a monetary policy] ease," says ROBERT McGEE of TOKAI BANK. "The longer they wait before easing policy significantly, however, the lower [bond yields and other interest] rates ultimately will go and the deeper the recession will be." ("Investor's Daily", 10/31)

"Even as the economy slips into recession, the bond market will have difficulty maintaining momentum toward lower levels of interest rates," says ALAN LEVENSON, director of United States financial services at WEFA INC., an economic consulting firm in Bala Cynwyd, Pa. "At the depth of what we see as a mild recession, I don't see bond yields falling below 8.25%." (NYT, 10/31)

THE ECONOMY:

"The economy definitely was not in recession," says LACY HUNT of C M & M GROUP. "In spite of all the forecasts the economy managed to move ahead." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/30)

"Reports of the American economy's demise are premature," according to BEAR

STEARNS chief economist LAWRENCE KUDLOW. "The economy is probably more resilient, in more areas than [it has] been given credit for." He says that while "we're still somewhere between Dante's Inferno and the Pearly Gates," the economy, as a whole, is still expanding. ("Nightly Business Report", 10/30)

"There is nothing in here [yesterday's GNP report] that would cause me to change my forecast," says DOUGLAS LEE, chief economist at WASHINGTON ANALYSIS CO. "I am predicting a recession that lasts three quarters with declines of between 1% and 2% decline, in the fourth quarter." ("The Washington Post", 10/31)

Yesterday's GNP report "makes it very hard to claim that the U.S. was in recession in the third quarter of this year," says GAIL FOSLER of the CONFERENCE BOARD. But she adds, "the mood is clearly a lot bleaker than the actual [numbers]." ("Investor's Daily", 10/31)

"We can see in [yesterday's GNP] report in particular that the composition of growth doesn't look to be sustainable," says ROBERT GAY of MORGAN STANLEY. He believes the fourth quarter numbers will show the U.S. to be in a recession. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/30)

"Anyone who lived in North America this summer probably thinks that inflation went up," says NEAL SOSS of FIRST BOSTON. He says "lots of sectors of the economy feel very starved for cash," and that creates the factors that define a technical recession. Soss feels the Fed should have eased earlier and, had it done so, could have avoided the current economic problems. (CNN "Moneyline", 10/30)

New home sales have fallen to an 8 year low with a 6% drop in September. "Frankly, we don't foresee any turnaround in housing sales until probably in mid-1991, when we expect the economy to turn around from recession," says RICHARD PEACH, an economist with the MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION. (NYT, 10/31)

IN WASHINGTON:

"Our best guess is that the economy will grow, although the next quarter or two will probably be somewhat weaker," says MICHAEL BOSKIN, chairman of the COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS. ("The Washington Post", 10/31)

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#90304p1612 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - T2 Medical Inc. (NASDAQ:TSQM) announced it has reached an agreement in principle to acquire the business and assets of Extendacare Health Services, through a cash purchase transaction of $10 million plus future cash consideration not to exceed $5 million.

The acquisition is expected to be completed during the first quarter of T2's 1991 fiscal year. This transaction is subject to the execution of certain definitive agreements and other customary conditions.

The Dallas home infusion therapy company was started in 1986 by Christine Burns. The company's 1990 revenue is expected to exceed $7 million.

"We are extremely pleased with the prospect of adding Extendacare to the ever-expanding T2 family. Extendacare's home infusion therapy marketing and management philosophy is extremely synergistic with T2's strategic direction. The acquisition of Extendacare will signficantly increase T2's home infusion therapy market share in the Dallas/Ft. Worth Metroplex area and give us tremendous momentum in expanding our Texas and Southwest presence," said Thomas E. Haire, chairman of T2 Medical Inc.

T2 Medical Inc. is a leading provider of home infusion therapy in the United States. Infusion therapy is the administration to a patient of nutrients, antibiotics, and other drugs and fluids, either intravenously or through a feeding tube. T2 Medical Inc.'s headquarters are in Alpharetta, Ga.

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#90304p1613 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CONN. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - NAC Re Corporation (NASDAQ: NREC) today reported that earnings excluding realized investment gains and losses increased 41.2 percent to $6,935,000 or 66 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $4,910,000 or 47 cents per share for the 1989 third quarter. Earnings excluding realized investment gains and losses for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $18,456,000 or $1.74 per share, compared to $17,340,000 or $1.65 per share for the 1989 comparable period. Earnings were reduced in the 1989 third quarter and nine month period by 23 cents per share as a result of Hurricane Hugo.

Net realized investment losses, net of tax, for the 1990 third quarter and nine month period were 2 cents per share and 4 cents per share, respectively. This compares to net realized investment gains, net of tax, for the 1989 third quarter and nine month period of 6 cents per share and 15 cents per share, respectively.

Net income for the 1990 third quarter and nine month period were $6,750,000 or 64 cents per share and $18,008,000 or $1.70 per share, respectively. This compared to net income for the 1989 third quarter and nine month periods of $5,608,000 or 53 cents per share and $18,940,000 or $1.80 per share, respectively.

The statutory composite ratio for the 1990 third quarter was 107.5 percent versus 110.7 percent for the same period last year. For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the composite ratio was 108.5 percent compared with the 1989 nine month ratio of 108.0 percent. The composite ratios for the 1989 third quarter and nine month period were increased by 6.3 percent and 2.2 percent, respectively, as a result of Hurricane Hugo losses.

Net premiums written for the 1990 third quarter and nine month period were $55,203,000, and $160,980,000, increases of 12.9 percent and 12.8 percent, respectively. The increase in net premiums written is principally attributable to increased participations in existing business and growth in non-traditional treaty business.

Pre-tax net investment income for the 1990 third quarter was $13,228,000, an increase of 16.2 percent over $11,382,000 in the comparable 1989 quarter. Pre-tax net investment income for the first nine months of 1990 rose 12.7 percent to $37,823,000 compared with $33,567,000 for the same prior year period.

The "fresh start" loss reserve discount favorably affected the 1990 and 1989 nine month periods by $300,000 and $150,000, respectively.

Cash flow from operations was $81,231,000 for the 1990 nine month period, a decrease of 24.9 percent from the first nine months of 1989. The decrease in cash flow is principally attributable to increased paid claims activity.

Consolidated assets were $871,624,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 11.6 percent over $780,733,000 at the end of 1989.

Statutory surplus of the reinsurance subsidiary, NAC Reinsurance Corporation, was $195,153,000 at Sept. 30, 1990.

Stockholders' equity as of Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $197,781,000 or $19.04 per share. A quarterly dividend of 5 cents per share was declared in the third quarter of 1990. The company has repurchased 85,000 shares of its common stock as of Oct. 31, 1990. A total of 304,619 shares remain authorized for repurchase under the 900,000 shares repurchase program which began in January 1988.

NAC RE CORP. AND SUBSIDIARY
Consolidated Statement of Income
(Unaudited -- Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

Periods Ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Premiums & other revs.				
Net premiums written	$55,203	$48,874	$160,980	$142,715
Incr. in unearned				

premiums	(126)	(531)	(940)	(4,196)
Premiums earned	55,077	48,343	160,040	138,519
Net investment inc.	13,228	11,382	37,823	33,567
Net realized investment gains (losses)	(231)	873	(560)	2,000
Total revenues	68,074	60,598	197,303	174,086
Operating costs & exps.				
Claims & claims exps.	42,337	35,292	121,460	101,074
Commissions & brokerage	11,499	13,356	37,163	34,929
Other acquisition & operating expenses	5,305	4,595	14,956	13,630
Interest expense	838	846	2,505	2,558
Total operating costs & expenses	59,979	54,089	176,084	152,191
Income				
Operating inc. bef. income taxes	8,095	6,509	21,219	21,895
Federal & foreign income taxes:				
Current	3,092	554	6,793	5,944
Deferred	(1,747)	347	(3,582)	(2,989)
Income tax expense	1,345	901	3,211	2,955
Operating income	6,750	5,608	18,008	18,940
Net income	6,750	5,608	18,008	18,940
Per share data				
Primary:				
Average shares outstanding	10,549,058	10,602,055	10,607,676	10,550,546
Operating income(A)	.64	.53	1.70	1.80
Net income	.64	.53	1.70	1.80
(A) Includes realized investment gains (losses)	(.02)	.06	(.04)	.15
Fully diluted (assuming convertible securities conversion):				
Average shares outstanding	12,162,062	12,239,848	12,223,901	12,254,403
Net income (B)	.61	.51	1.63	1.71
(B) Includes realized investment gains (losses)	(.02)	.06	(.04)	.13

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ROCHESTER, NY (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) today reported increased sales and sharply higher operating earnings for the third quarter. Operating earnings increased 22 percent to $835 million, compared with $682 million in the same period a year ago. A $909.5 million charge associated with the Polaroid patent litigation resulted in a net loss of $206 million for the quarter.

The U.S. District Court in Boston recently awarded $454.2 million in damages and $455.3 million in interest to Polaroid in the 14-year- old patent infringement suit involving instant cameras and film.

Without the provision for the litigation judgment, the company would have recorded net earnings of $358 million in the quarter, up 19 percent from $300 million a year ago. Positive cash flow for the quarter exceeded $500 million. On a per-share basis, the loss of $.64 per share for the third quarter compared with earnings of $.93 per share a year ago. Without the effect of the litigation charge, earnings per share would have been up 18 percent to $1.10.

For the first three quarters of 1990, the company had net earnings of $377 million, compared with earnings of $589 million in 1989. Without the litigation provision, net earnings would have been $941 million for the year to date. Earnings from operations were up 43 percent to $2.18 billion, compared with $1.52 billion a year ago. (Year-to-date 1989 operating and net earnings were adversely affected by $350 million of restructuring costs -- $227 million after-tax). On a per-share basis, earnings declined to $1.16 from $1.82 in 1989. Without the effect of the litigation charge, year-to-date earnings per share would have been $2.90.

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OYSTER BAY, N.Y. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Gregory E. Fischbach, chairman and chief executive officer for Acclaim Entertainment, Inc. (NASDAQ: AKLM), has been named "1990 Long Island Businessman of the Year" by the Wharton Business School Club of Long Island. Fischbach will be honored at the club's annual dinner, to be held on Wednesday, Nov. 14, at 6:30 p.m., at the Westbury Manor in Westbury, N.Y. Keynote speaker for the evening will be David Thomburgh, director of the Wharton Small Business Development Center.

"I am honored to be selected from a community of such prestigious business leaders," said Fischbach. "And, it is doubly gratifying to be recognized by the Wharton Business School Club of Long Island, a distinguished organization of business professionals."

Acclaim was established by Fischbach and partner Jim Scoroposki in 1987, and became publicly held in 1988. Based in Oyster Bay, N.Y., the company is a leading publisher, marketer and distributor of software for the Nintendo Entertainment System and Game Boy, and also produces hand- held video games and remote controllers. Acclaim recently reported its third consecutive record fiscal year, during which net income increased 56 percent, and net sales were $141.5 million.

"We're pleased to be presenting this award to Gregory Fischbach because he has brought to Long Island one of the fastest-growing companies in the country," said Adam Weissman, president of the Wharton Business School Club of Long Island.

The Wharton Business School Club of Long Island is one of several regional clubs composed of alumni of the prestigious Wharton Business School of the University of Pennsylvania, ranked as one of the leading business schools in the country. On an annual basis, the club's board of directors honors an outstanding business executive in the Long Island business community. Past honorees include Leonard Lauder, president, Estee Lauder; Saul Steinberg, chairman, Reliance Group; Robert Israeloff, founding partner, Israeloff, Tratner & Company, and John Salam, chairman, Audiovox Corporation.

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CHARLOTTE, MICH. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Spartan Motors, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SPAR) announced today that net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, rose 178 percent to $702,085 or 15 cents per share, from $252,629 or 6 cents per share, for the third quarter last year. Third-quarter revenues rose 70 percent to $13,817,650 from $8,109,749 a year ago.

The company also recorded its highest nine-month results. Net income rose to $1,858,189 or 40 cents per share, on revenues of $39,388,965 from net income of $909,733 or 20 cents per share on revenues of $26,873,691 for the same nine-month period a year ago.

George W. Sztykiel, Spartan president and CEO, said the company continues to enjoy high volumes of fire truck and motorhome chassis orders and shipments.

He noted that the fire truck manufacturing business is a fairly stable one, even in recessionary times. Spartan's gains are coming primarily from the company's ability to capture a larger market share, as fire departments increasingly switch to custom trucks and as larger manufacturers step away from this specialized niche market.

In the motorhome area, Spartan produces custom chassis for the top-of-the-line models which customarily are purchased by consumers less affected by economic slowdowns. In the past, the company's motorhome chassis production was limited by space constraints. Following completion of the company's expansion program, Spartan has made significant inroads into this niche market. Production remains strong though the industry is experiencing some slowdown, Sztykiel noted.

He pointed out that Spartan recently introduced the industry's lowest-cost, rear engine chassis for under-16,000-pound vehicles, such as RVs and small, light-duty tour/transit buses. Spartan sees not only a large domestic but also a significant potential overseas market for this chassis.

Spartan recently also announced a stock buy-back program, after its shares had declined in price and, in management's opinion, represented a good investment.

Spartan Motors, Inc. is the leading manufacturer of custom designed fire truck chassis, motorhome chassis and other specialty and emergency vehicle chassis.

SPARTAN MOTORS, INC.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Third Quarter Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$13,817,650	$8,109,749
Net income	702,085	252,629
Net income per share	$.15	$.06
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,635,702	4,623,943
	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$39,388,965	$26,873,691
Net income	1,858,189	909,733
Net income per share	$.40	$.20
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,634,488	4,626,789

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Paul I. Stevens, chairman and chief executive officer of Stevens Graphics Corporation (AMEX: SVGA SVGB) announced today that the company reported a decline in earnings for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, after 14 consecutive quarters of increased earnings. The company also reported on the progress of its Soviet Union packaging press

systems order.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $2,600,000, sales were $96,927,000, and earnings per share were $0.29. These figures compare to the same period of 1989 when the company had net income of $5,487,000 or $0.69 per share on sales of $88,401,000.

For the third quarter ended September 30, 1990, the company had a loss of $2,180,000, or ($0.24) per share on sales of $25,240,000. This compares to the same period of 1989 when the company had net income of $1,665,000 or $0.21 per share on sales of $29,539,000.

Stevens stated, "Stevens Graphics' lack of earnings for the third quarter have been impacted by the downturn in the U.S. economy. The combination of the impending recession for the U.S. economy overall and the capital equipment sector recession already upon us, which includes printing and packaging equipment, has caused a dramatic slowing of orders for our industry and our company. The softness in new orders that we have experienced has intensified as the year has progressed. We anticipate our fourth quarter performance to improve over this quarter, but we do not anticipate our orders will generate earnings sufficient to meet our previously planned expectations."

Stevens Graphics received a major order for packaging machinery from the USSR in 1989. Approximately half of that order, valued at $13.2 million, has been shipped, received in the USSR, and is awaiting installation by Stevens Graphics personnel. The second half of the order was shipped in late October 1990.

Payment on the first shipment was due in late September 1990, and as of this date has not been received. The buyer involved is one of the most reliable Soviet trading companies, which has a good reputation for honoring its obligations, although in many cases with delays. Stevens Graphics is pursuing collection of this receivable through both the customer and the Vnesheconom Bank, which provides the funding, and the company expects that the amount due will be collected fully.

Stevens Graphics Corporation, headquartered in Fort Worth, Texas, is the only U.S. based company that designs, manufactures, markets and services web-fed offset, gravure, flexographics, and intaglio printing and packaging press systems, collators, and related pre-press, printing, and post-press equipment on a worldwide basis. The company serves the packaging, commercial, business forms, and currency/securities segments of the U.S./North American and international printing and packaging industries. Corporate strategy is to create a larger company, by internal growth and acquisition of industry-related companies, that provides "complete systems solution" lines of products.

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - M.A. Hanna Company (NYSE/MSE: MAH) today announced that it has agreed to acquire Synthecolor S.A. of France from Perstorp AB, a diversified chemical producer based in Sweden. Terms of the agreement, which is subject to the approval of the French Ministry of Finance, were not disclosed.

With annual sales of nearly $25 million (U.S.), Synthecolor is the leading producer of formulated colorants for the plastics industry in France. The company employs 86 people at its main production facility near Paris and a warehouse and sales office near Lyon.

"Synthecolor marks Hanna's entry into the European formulated colorants industry," said Hanna Chairman Martin D. Walker. "The company provides a solid foundation for expansion with a strong market position, state-of-the-art technology and an experienced and successful management."

Synthecolor produces a variety of custom-formulated colorant and additive masterbatches for plastic product manufacturers in France, the Benelux countries, Portugal and Switzerland. The company has design capacity of over 26 million pounds of product annually.

With 18 colorant facilities in the United States and Canada, M. A. Hanna is the leading producer of custom formulated colorants for the plastics industry in North America. Hanna also is a world leader in polymer compounding and the distribution of fabricated plastic shapes and plastic resins.

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SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Centex Telemanagement Inc. (NASDAQ: CNTX) today reported financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income in the third quarter was a record $2,591,000, or 27 cents per share a 41.2 percent improvement over the $1,835,000, or 19 cents per share, Centex earned in the same quarter of 1989, despite an increase in the effective tax rate from 21 percent to 36 percent. Operating income reached a new high of $3,701,000, a 93.9 percent increase over last year's $1,909,000 and the 12th consecutive quarterly increase since the company's initial public offering in

September 1987. Client billings totalled $30,036,000, a 39.5 percent increase over last year's $21,528,000.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income totalled $7,124,000, or 73 cents per share, a 44 percent increase over the $4,949,000, or 51 cents per share, Centex earned in the same period of 1989. Operating income rose to $9,862,000, an 86.2 percent increase over last year's $5,296,000. Client billings reached $83,636,000, a 38.9 percent increase over last year's $60,228,000.

Commenting on these results, Peter A. Howley, Centex's chairman, president and chief executive officer, stated, "We are very pleased with our financial and operational performance in the third quarter and year to date. Efforts initiated in 1989, particularly the development of new value added services have been instrumental in our year to date growth. More importantly, they greatly broaden our ability to serve as a comprehensive single point of contact for small and medium-sized companies."

Howley credited Centex's record third-quarter performance to several key efforts undertaken in 1989. "Last year we made a significant investment in improving client services and strengthening our internal staffing and management tools in preparation for growing our business beyond the $100 million mark. That investment is clearly paying off in 1990."

Centex served a record 8,893 clients at the end of the third quarter of 1990, a 34.4 percent increase over the same quarter of last year. During the quarter the company opened a new branch office in Philadelphia, its first branch in Pennsylvania, raising to 16 the total number of Centex branches nationwide. Thirteen of the 16 branches were profitable, before allocation of corporate overhead, at the end of the third quarter, including four of Centex's seven branches outside California. Howley added, "The exciting potential of our Eastern Region is just beginning to be seen. California, of course, remains a huge attractive growth market."

Centex Telemanagement Inc. is a pioneer in providing comprehensive telecommunications management services to small and medium-sized businesses. Centex provides a single point of contact for smaller businesses, which face increasing complexity and confusion resulting from the expanding number of local and long-distance telecommunications options.

Centex analyzes the telecommunications needs of its clients and selects the best mix of services from various third-party providers to be shared by its clients under Centex management. In exchange for a management fee, Centex also provides a broad range of sophisticated management services, such as call accounting and voice messaging. Centex clients generally receive these high-quality telecommunications services at significant cost savings. Centex currently serves over 8,800 clients through 16 branch offices in seven states.

CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC.

Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except for per share amounts)

	Three months ended September 30		Nine months ended September 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Billings to clients	$30,036	$21,528	$83,636	$60,228
Costs and expenses				
Telecommunications service costs	19,584	14,330	54,099	39,144
Client acquisition expenses	3,978	3,230	11,565	9,549
General and administrative expenses	2,773	2,059	8,110	6,239
Total costs and expenses	26,335	19,619	73,774	54,932
Operating income	3,701	1,909	9,862	5,296
Interest income, net	335	426	1,218	1,303
Income before income tax	4,036	2,335	11,080	6,599
Income Taxes	(1,445)	(500)	(3,956)	(1,650)
Net Income	$2,591	$1,835	$7,124	$4,949
Net income per share	$ .27	$ .19	$ .73	$ .51
Shares used in computing net income per share	9,706	9,800	9,741	9,793

CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC.
Consolidated Balance Sheets
(in thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990	Dec. 31 1989
Assets Cash and short-term investments	$21,383	$22,211	$23,933
Accounts receivable, net	23,582	21,191	16,905
Other current assets	1,377	1,718	1,217
Total current assets	46,342	45,120	42,055
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	6,461	5,877	4,601
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(1,947)	(1,709)	(1,294)
Other assets	296	161	206
Total assets	$51,152	$49,449	$45,568
Liabilities and Equity			
Accounts payable	$13,643	$13,302	$10,966
Other current liabilities	1,758	1,408	1,150
Total current liabilities	15,401	14,710	12,116
Common Stock	96	95	95
Paid in capital	31,367	30,919	29,997
Retained earnings	11,312	8,721	4,188
Cost of reacquired stock	(7,024)	(4,996)	(828)
Total liabilities and equity	$51,152	$49,449	$45,568

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MENLO PARK, CALIF. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Mediagenic (NASDAQ: MGNC) today announced that it has reached an agreement in principle with a group led by EGL Holdings to sell ZSoft Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Mediagenic. EGL Holdings, an Atlanta-based venture capital firm, will acquire the assets and certain identified liabilities of ZSoft for approximately $3.8 million in cash.

Under the terms of the agreement, Mediagenic will continue to manufacture and distribute ZSoft products for a period to be negotiated. Mediagenic and EGL Holdings anticipate completing the transaction by the end of November. This transaction is subject to the approval from the Board of Directors of both Mediagenic and EGL Holdings. Upon closing the transaction, Mark Zachmann, ZSoft's founder and president, will dismiss his lawsuit against Mediagenic which was filed earlier this year. Zachmann is a participant in the buying group and plans to continue as president of the ZSoft business after closing.

Atlanta-based ZSoft Corp. is a leading publisher of IBM graphics utilities software for MS-DOS and Windows. ZSoft was acquired by Mediagenic in October 1988. In September of last year, Mediagenic discontinued its Apple-compatible business products division. With the divestiture of ZSoft, the company's restructuring to focus soley on IBM-compatible entertainment software and Nintendo video games will be completed. According to Bruce Davis, chairman and CEO of Mediagenic, the decision to sell ZSoft and concentrate only on entertainment software is substantially motivated by the company's need to improve its working capital position and direct its resources to improving its competitive position in certain significantly profitable segments of the entertainment software market.

The ZSoft transaction follows the announcement last month of an agreement between Mediagenic and Philips Consumer Electronics Company (PCEC), providing for an 18-month postponement in payment of the patent infringement damages awaarded earlier this year.

Headquartered in Menlo Park, Mediagenic is an international developer and publisher of entertainment software for IBM-compatible computers and Nintendo video game systems. The company publishes its cartridge, floppy-disk and CD-ROM titles under the Activision, Electric Dreams and Infocom brands and serves as an exclusive distributor for products from Absolute Entertainment and Interplay Productions.

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HARTSVILLE, SC (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Alexander "Alex" Watson has joined Sonoco Products Company (NASDAQ-NMS: SONO) as senior vice president, announced C.W. Coker, chairman and chief executive officer.

"We are very pleased to have Alex join our company. He has outstanding credentials within the packaging industry worldwide. His expertise will add significant depth to Sonoco's management team," said Coker.

Alex Watson, formerly Director General of CMB Packaging S.A., will be responsible for the continuing development of Sonoco's global growth strategy and the company's business development program, including acquisitions.

"I am looking forward to my association with Sonoco, a packaging company which has both the financial capability and management commitment for growth. The packaging industry remains highly fluid and can provide significant opportunities for expansion to a company with the reputation for quality and integrity Sonoco has earned," said Watson.

He was an Executive Director of Metal Box plc when it merged its packaging businesses with Carnaud S.A. to form CMB Packaging in 1989. CMB Packaging is currently the world's third largest packaging company.

He joined Metal Box in 1964 and held a variety of positions. While executive director of Metal Box, he was responsible for that company's packaging interests in Europe, Asia, the Pacific, North and South America.

Currently, Watson is non-executive director, Multinational Business Developments. He will retain this position. In addition to these business interests, Watson serves as vice president-Institute of Packaging in the United Kingdom, member of the Marketing Group of Great Britain, and a member of the Ad Hoc Council of the European Government Business Relations Council.

He has a B.A. and M.A. degree from Emmanuel College, Cambridge. He attended Bath University and completed the advanced management program at the Harvard University Business School in 1986. He is a frequent speaker on packaging-related topics at conferences and seminars around the world.

Watson and his family reside in Chalfont-St.-Giles, England. He will continue to be based in London.

Sonoco is a major manufacturer of industrial and consumer packaging products with more than 15,000 persons employed at operations in 20 countries.

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DETROIT (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors Corporation (NYSE: GM) earned $109 million in the third quarter of 1990, before a special restructuring charge to bring its cost structure more in line with the projected level of North American operations, Chairman Robert C. Stempel reported today. Including the special charge of $2.1 billion after taxes, General Motors recorded a net loss of $2.0 billion. In the third quarter of 1989, GM earned net income of $517 million. GM sales and revenues totaled a record $30.8 billion in the third quarter of 1990, compared to $28.8 billion in the comparable quarter of 1989.

The one-time charge after taxes of $2.1 billion for the special restructuring is primarily attributable to redundant facilities and related employment costs. The special charge comprehends the closing of four previously idled U.S. assembly plants (C-P-C Framingham, Mass.; Lakewood, Ga.; Pontiac, Mich.; and B-O-C Leeds, Mo.). It also includes provision for other North American manufacturing and warehouse operations which will be consolidated or cease operating over the next three years. GM has previously advised the respective employee and union representatives of the status of these operations. The charge has no impact on the corporation's cash flow.

In the third quarter of 1990, the profit performance of GM's overseas operations (excluding Brazil) continued at a near record level. The corporation's three major subsidiaries, General Motors Acceptance Corporation (GMAC), Electronic Data Systems Corporation (EDS), and GM Hughes Electronics Corporation (GMHE), made significant contributions to 1990 third-quarter net income. The corporation benefited from higher worldwide unit volume and higher productivity in the quarter which was more than offset by higher sales allowances in North America, reflecting the increasingly competitive marketplace.

Reflecting the special charge, General Motors registered a 1990 third-quarter net loss of $3.54 per share on $1-2/3 par value common stock. Before the special charge and the technical attribution of additional earnings to Class E and Class H common stocks not required in 1989, the corporation earned $0.02 per share. In the third quarter of 1989, the corporation earned $0.72 per share.

Since Electronic Data Systems Corporation was acquired by General Motors in October 1984, the subsidiary has reported increased third- quarter earnings for five consecutive years. Reflecting the continuing strong growth of its business, EDS reported record 1990 third-quarter earnings of $128 million, up from $111 million in 1989. Third-quarter earnings attributable to Class E common stock rose to a record $0.54 per share, up from $0.46 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

In the third quarter, worldwide factory sales of vehicles to GM dealers totaled 1,767,000 units -- up 4.1 percent from the same period in 1989.

During the 1990 period, total U.S. industry retail sales were 10.0 percent below the third quarter of 1989. GM dealers in the U.S. sold 1,274,936 cars and trucks in the 1990 third quarter -- down 10.3 percent from the year-ago level of 1,421,440 total vehicles. Despite lower U.S. industry sales in the 1990 calendar year through September, General Motors is the only domestic manufacturer to have outperformed the market and increased its U.S. market share for cars, for trucks and total vehicles.

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ST. LOUIS (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Jones Medical Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: JMED) today announced a 64-percent increase in net income on a 45-percent sales increase for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to the same quarter of 1989.

Net income rose to $607,000, or 15 cents per share, on sales of $4,651,000, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $369,000, or 11 cents per share, on sales of $3,208,000 for the same period of 1989. Average shares outstanding were up sharply to 4,131,494, at Sept. 30, 1990, as a result of a July 19, 1990, public offering of 750,000 shares compared to 3,454,550 a year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income grew 86 percent to $1,668,000, or 45 cents per share, on sales of $13,751,000, a 57-percent increase. These results compared with net income of $895,000 or 26 cents per share on sales of $8,778,000 for the same period of 1989. Average shares outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990, were 3,746,177 compared to 3,454,550 a year ago.

Chairman Dennis M. Jones commented, "The accomplishments made during the third quarter were very significant. First, we completed our first full four quarters with Thrombinar(R) and Panthoderm(R), acquired from The Rorer Group (RPR) in September 1989, with more than $6 million in sales of these two new Jones Medical products. This represented approximately a 20-percent increase in sales of these products, over the prior twelve months.

"Secondly, 'trailing 12 months' results at Sept. 30, 1990, were $18,295,000 in sales; $2,367,000 in net income, or 65 cents per share; compared to $11,817,000 in sales; $1,242,000 net income, or 36 cents per share a year ago, a 55-percent increase in sales and a 91-percent increase in net income.

"Thirdly, we completed a secondary offering of common stock, which provided approximately $9 million of new equity capital, with which to recapitalize our

balance sheet and prepare for our next acquisitions.

"An impressive third quarter indeed, but on to the future. In view of the above results, it is especially appropriate to reiterate our recently established goal of taking this young, dynamic company to $100 million in sales by 1995. To do so, we must continue to actively pursue acquisitions of synergistic product lines and operating companies. At the present time, we are as active as ever with increasing opportunities, as the result of our greater financial strength, our growing visibility as a vibrant public company and the rapid consolidation ongoing in the pharmaceutical industry. We are therefore confident that we will soon add to our uninterrupted string of eight synergistic and well-timed acquisitions of the past eight years."

JONES MEDICAL INDUSTRIES, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	Sept. 30 1990 (Unaudited)	Dec. 31 1989
ASSETS Current assets:		
Cash and temporary investments	$ 8,602,443	$ 1,295,143
Accounts receivable, net	1,932,195	1,784,606
Inventories	2,088,043	1,997,523
Deferred income taxes	---	121,513
Prepaid expenses	264,233	109,211
Total current assets	12,886,914	5,307,996
Net property, plant and equipment	2,993,506	2,734,861
Other assets	7,976,271	8,396,111
Total	$23,856,691	$16,438,968
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,786,826	1,739,720
Current portion of long-term debt	959,739	1,219,053
Income taxes	307,731	307,977
Dividends payable	106,239	69,091
Total current liabilities	3,160,535	3,335,841
Long-term debt	1,523,152	4,442,213
Deferred income taxes	360,410	360,410
Contingencies and commitments	---	---
Stockholders' equity: Common stock, $.04 par value; 10 million authorized, 3,454,550 and 4,249,550 issued and outstanding at Dec. 31, 1989, and Sept. 30, 1990, respectively	169,982	138,182
Contributed capital	14,370,248	5,312,591
Retained earnings	4,272,364	2,849,731
Total stockholders' equity	18,812,594	8,300,504
Total	$23,856,691	$16,438,968

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$4,650,643	$3,208,288	$13,751,166	$8,777,941
Cost of sales	2,491,058	1,865,378	7,201,361	5,255,981
Gross profit on sales	2,159,585	1,342,910	6,549,805	3,521,960
Selling, general and administrative expenses:				
Selling	577,602	310,514	1,775,907	909,521
General and administrative	406,886	236,699	1,235,388	761,226
Amortization	143,421	85,668	446,687	205,596
Total	1,127,909	632,881	3,457,982	1,876,343
Operating income	1,031,676	710,029	3,091,823	1,645,617
Other income (expense)				
Interest income	112,930	32,017	141,838	81,782
Interest (expense)	(90,918)	(105,150)	(347,912)	(229,377)
Income before income taxes	1,053,688	636,896	2,885,749	1,498,022
Provision for income taxes	447,142	267,507	1,218,214	603,345
Net income	$ 606,546	$ 369,389	$1,667,535	$ 894,677
Earnings per share	$ .15	$ .11	$ .45	$ .26
Cash dividends declared	$.025	$ .02	$.045	$ .04

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PRINCETON, N.J. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Cytogen Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTO) announced today it has received authorization under the U.S. Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act to begin human clinical evaluation of three cancer imaging products covered under two Investigational New Drug (IND) applications.

The first IND is for CYT-372, an additional monoclonal antibody- based imaging agent for colorectal cancer. The second IND is for CYT-380, a monoclonal antibody fragment which initially will be evaluated as an imaging agent for breast and non-small cell lung cancers.

CYT-372 will be marketed as OncoScint(R) CR372 and is a product line extension of OncoScint CR103, which is one of the company's two products currently awaiting FDA marketing approval. CYT-380 will be marketed under the trademark OncoTc and represents the first products Cytogen will evaluate in humans that use technetium-99m as the diagnostic isotope.

In commenting on these new products, Cytogen Corp.'s executive vice president, Thomas J. McKearn, M.D., Ph.D., said, "The use of antibody fragments is preferable for imaging breast and lung cancers because the background radioactivity will clear the blood pool more quickly and allow the involved lymph nodes to be visualized. Technetium-99m is the isotope of choice in such applications. We have developed a very user- friendly procedure for chelating technetium when preparing these products." He also noted, "Cytogen is the only biotechnology company that has developed chemistries for using both indium and technetium in its cancer imaging franchise, giving us a tremendous advantage in developing products for a variety of applications."

Cytogen Corp. is a biopharmaceutical company which has developed proprietary systems for linking drugs and diagnostic agents to monoclonal antibodies in order to optimize the function of the antibody as a delivery vehicle. With major emphasis on human cancer, current product development efforts at Cytogen are focused on improved cancer diagnostic imaging agents and the targeted delivery of cancer therapeutic agents directly to tumor sites.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - More than 300 companies are shipping products based on UNIXR System V Release 4 this year, encompassing a full range of advanced systems and software, UNIX International announced today at the UNIX Expo show.

The market unification brought about by the introduction of Release 4 last year, leading to this year's product shipments, has resulted in the emergence of a large and growing System V Release 4 market.

The audit conducted by UNIX International (UI) registers a total of 323 vendors shipping Release 4 products in 1990. An analysis of UI members shows that all of UI's principal members and 75 percent of its general members either are now shipping product or are committed to in the near future. In addition, many firms outside UI's membership also indicated product availability this year.

A geographic breakdown indicates nearly equal numbers of vendors based in the Americas (144) and Europe (158). The remaining 21 firms are Asian companies, and include most of the Asia/Pacific open systems vendors. According to the survey, the 323 vendors represent more than 750 applications and system products that will reach the marketplace this year and are designed to take advantage of enhancements in Release 4.

Worldwide, more than two-thirds of major open system vendors will have product

available based on System V Release 4. Key companies include ICL, Olivetti, Philips and Siemens/Nixdorf (formerly Siemens) in Europe; Fujitsu, NEC, Oki and Toshiba in Asia; and AT&T, Motorola, NCR and Sun Microsystems in the United States.

Many Independent Software Vendors (ISVs) with applications running on proprietary systems are capitalizing on the new markets by migrating their applications to platforms running UNIX System V Release 4. In UNIX International's ISV program alone, some 200 software developers already have begun migration to Release 4 in the less than four months since it was launched.

Van Aggelakos, vice president of NCR Corporation, described the survey results as signifying the emergence of an enlarged marketplace and broad market presence for SVR4.

When introduced in November 1989, System V Release 4 united more than 80 percent of the installed base, then some 10 million UNIX systems users. That market, now estimated at more than 16 million, is currently the fastest growing sector of the industry.

UNIX International is a nonprofit organization responsible for directing the evolution of UNIX System V. Founded in December 1988, its growing membership now numbers more than 180 users, software vendors, systems vendors, value-added resellers, standards bodies, academic institutions and government bodies worldwide.

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#90304p1652 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Beneficial Corporation (NYSE: BNL) today reported third quarter earnings of $32.6 million, up 5 percent from earnings of $31.0 million in the third quarter of 1989. Reflecting a reduced preferred dividend requirement this year, earnings per share increased 10 percent to $1.40 from $1.27 in the 1989 period, and represented Beneficial's fifteenth consecutive quarter of increased core operating earnings per share on a year-to-year basis.

For the first nine months, earnings increased 10 percent to $98.1 million from $89.3 million in the first nine months of 1989. Earnings per share rose 16 percent to $4.22 from $3.65 in 1989.

Total receivables at Sept. 30 were $7,453 million, up $219 million during the third quarter, compared to a gain of $94 million during the third quarter of 1989. Removing the distortive impact of foreign exchange translation in both

periods, and the sale of a $21 million credit card portfolio in the United Kingdom during the 1989 period, receivables outstanding increased $185 million in this year's quarter, compared to a comparable gain of $89 million in 1989's third quarter.

For the nine months, receivables increased an excellent $552 million, up from a gain of $282 million in the 1989 period. Removing the impact of foreign exchange translation in both years, the 1990 gain was $497 million, up from $313 million in 1989. Strongest growth continued in high-quality real estate secured loans, which now total more than $4.6 billion, 63 percent of the total portfolio.

Credit quality continues healthy by any historical measure, despite a marginal increase in the net chargeoff percentage for the quarter. Third quarter net chargeoffs rose to $23.0 million, up from $19.6 million in the 1989 quarter. As a percentage of average receivables, net chargeoffs increased modestly to 0.30 percent of the portfolio from 0.28 percent in the 1989 period.

For the nine months, net chargeoffs increased to $71.0 million, or 0.95 percent of average receivables, up from $57.4 million, or 0.82 percent of average receivables, in the first nine months of 1989. Annualized, the nine month net chargeoff ratio equates to 1.27 percent, well in line with the company's operating plans going into the year. At Sept. 30, the reserve for credit losses was 2.98 percent of receivables, covering annualized nine month net chargeoffs 2.3 times, an extremely conservative ratio by industry standards.

Contractual loan delinquency continues significantly lower on a year-to-year basis. At Sept. 30, all loan and sales finance balances delinquent two months and greater improved to 3.64 percent of outstandings, down from 4.77 percent at Sept. 30, 1989 but up modestly from 3.45 percent at June 30, 1990.

Beneficial Corporation provides financial services through its various subsidiaries located throughout the United States and in Canada, the United Kingdom and Germany. The 1,074 offices comprising the Beneficial Finance System meet a broad range of consumer credit needs. In addition, consumer credit related insurance is the major thrust of Beneficial's insurance subsidiaries.

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#90304p1653 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MADISON HEIGHTS, MI (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Code-Alarm, Inc. (NASDAQ: CODL), leading manufacturer of vehicle alarms and home-security systems, announced today that earnings for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 will not meet analysts' expectations.

Rand Mueller, president and CEO of Code-Alarm, stated, "Consolidated sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 are generally in line with expectations and are significantly ahead of net sales for the same period last year. However, operating results at Tessco Group Inc., Code-Alarm's contract manufacturing subsidiary, were substantially below management's expectations." Mueller added, "Softness in the retail automotive sector resulted in margins that were lower than anticipated.

Code-Alarm expects to release third-quarter results soon.

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#90304p1655 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

PASADENA, CA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (NYSE: JEC) today announced receipt of a contract from the U.S. Postal Service to provide engineering services for new general mail and vehicle maintenance facilities at Santa Clarita, Calif.

The facilities, to be situated on a 65-acre site in the Santa Clarita Valley, will cover approximately 780,000 square feet and will cost an estimated $71 million. The new facilities will serve residents of the northern San Fernando Valley in Los Angeles County -- including the cities of Van Nuys, Ventura, Northridge, Reseda, and Granada Hills.

Jacobs' contract calls on the Pasadena-based engineering and construction firm to supply all architectural and engineering design services, with an option to provide supplemental design services during construction. Jacobs' design work is scheduled for completion in September 1991, to be followed by 26 months of construction activity.

The award follows the recent completion by Jacobs of the 502,000- square-foot Alhambra General Mail Facility and Warehouse in the City of Industry, Calif., and similar facilities for the Postal Service in Bakersfield, Calif.

Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. provides single-source environmental and hazardous waste management, consulting, engineering, design, architectural, construction, construction management and maintenance, and operations services to government and industry worldwide.

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#90304p1656 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Medcross, Inc., (NASDAQ: MDCR)

said today it has hired a Florida firm, Clearwater-based Investor Relations Consultants, Inc., (IRC) to assist Medcross in communicating with the investment community.

Medcross President Robert M. Irvin said IRC's initial assignment will be to advise Medcross on ways to communicate its evolving business strategy to brokers and investors.

"As a young company in a diversified industry, we need to make sure that our financial goals and means of achieving them are well understood by our shareholders and those who influence investment decisions. IRC, the most experienced firm of its kind in the Southeast, specializes in helping companies like ours tell our story in the right way to those who need to hear it," Irvin said.

Medcross specializes in assisting hospitals and physicians acquire and operate advanced medical equipment and facilities. Its services include kidney-stone and gall-stone treatment equipment and facilities; computerized tomography; and management of ambulatory surgical and diagnostic imaging centers. Medcross is recognized for being one of the first providers of mobile renal lithotripsy units in the United States.

In addition, the company is presently seeking acquisitions for diversification and growth purposes.

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#90304p1661 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

SLATE HILL, N.Y. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Balchem Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: BLCC) announced today that its board of directors on Friday, Oct. 19, had authorized a five-for-four split of common shares which provides for the issuance of one share of common stock for each four shares of stock held by a holder of record on Dec. 5, 1990, the additional shares to be delivered to the stockholders of Balchem Corporation on or about Dec. 28, 1990. No fractional shares will be issued but in lieu thereof a cash payment will be made for the estimated value of the fractional interest. No gain or loss for federal income tax purposes will be realized with respect to the issuance of such additional shares except in respect of any fractional share interests for which cash payment is made.

Balchem Corporation's board of directors on that same date also declared a cash dividend of $.04 per share on the pre-split shares, payable on Dec. 28, 1990, to holders of record as of Dec. 3, 1990.

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#90304p1662 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, TX (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - BizMart, Inc. (NASDAQ: BZMT), one of the nation's fastest-growing office products superstore retailers, today reported that sales for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Oct. 27 were up 115 percent to $62.7 million from $29.2 million for the like quarter a year ago, based on unaudited initial numbers. Second quarter earnings and other financial results will be released during the week of Nov. 19.

BizMart's 45 high-volume office products superstores in Texas, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Oregon sell more than 7,000 high-quality, brand-name products at everyday low prices that are discounted 40 to 60 percent from manufacturers' suggested retail prices.

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#90304p1663 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, N.Y. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Comptek Research, Inc. (AMEX/BSE: CTK) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.05 per share, payable on Nov. 29, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 12, 1990.

Comptek Research, Inc., with thirteen offices and subsidiary locations in the United States, develops command, control, communications and intelligence systems and electronic warfare systems, primarily for the Department of Defense. Related activities include providing specialized technical services and manufacturing precision electronics.

CONTACT: Christopher A. Head, vice president of Comptek Research, Inc., 716-842-2700; or Stanley Berger or Douglas A. Fox (investor relations) of SM Berger & Co., 216-283-5400, for Comptek Research, Inc.

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#90304p1664 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting held for securities analysts here today, Teradyne, Inc. (NYSE: TER) announced the introduction of a new VLSI Test System, the J971, capable of testing integrated circuits having up to 512 pins at speeds up to 200 megahertz. The company also announced the receipt of orders totaling $15 million for the system, with letters of intent for an additional $10 million, from seven companies. Customers include Inmos, Matsushita Electric, MIPS Computer, Motorola, Sharp, a major U.S. computer manufacturer, and a major Japanese electronics company. The first systems are scheduled to be shipped in the first quarter of 1991.

Introduced concurrently in the United States, Japan, and Europe, the J971 will test microprocessors, advanced RISC processors, microcontrollers, digital signal processors, and high performance ASIC devices. The system is available in various configurations to provide optimum price/performance ratios over a wide range of applications, according to Ed Rogas, vice president and general manager of Teradyne's Semiconductor Test Division, which will produce the system at its plant in Agoura Hills, Calif. System prices start at $600,000.

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#90304p1665 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES MOINES, IA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert E. Martini, vice chairman and president of Commtron Corporation (AMEX: CMR), announced today that the board has been expanded to eleven directors with three new appointments.

Named as directors were Commtron officers Stephen M. Lacy, LaVern K. Fross and Frank M. Mattson.

Martini said, "These appointments recognize three key executives who continue to contribute to Commtron's growth and profitability."

Fross joined Commtron in 1981 and serves as senior vice president, video sales and marketing. Both Lacy and Mattson joined the company in 1986. Currently, Mattson is vice president, operations. Lacy is vice president, chief financial officer and interim general manager.

Commtron Corporation is the nation's largest distributor of prerecorded video cassettes.

CONTACT: Stephen M. Lacy, vice president & chief financial officer of Commtron, 515-226-3000.

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#90304p1666 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, N.Y. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Comptek Research, Inc. (AMEX/BSE: CTK) will continue to provide development and support services for the Joint Tactical Information Distribution System, or JTIDS, under a new five-year contract awarded by the U.S. Navy's Fleet Combat Direction Systems Support Activity, located in Dam Neck, Va.

Comptek is an incumbent contractor on the JTIDS program, which is a multi-function information distribution system for air, surface and subsurface

platforms. The system is designed to provide jam-resistant communications during coordinated combat operations. The company has worked on JTIDS since 1980.

The five-year contract, which is effective immediately, has a value ceiling of $7.8 million in the first year, with $31.4 million in follow- on option years. Traditionally, the company has received $2-3 million in revenues annually from this contract. Comptek's JTIDS work involves about 50 employees in the Buffalo-based firm's offices in Virginia Beach, Va. Under this contract, the company furnishes to the Navy engineering services to analyze and provide independent verification and validation for the computer software and documentation utilized by this sophisticated communications system.

"Comptek prides itself on providing high-quality, cost-effective services in command, control, communications and intelligence," commented Dr. John R. Cummings, Comptek's chairman. "I am particularly pleased that we have been selected to continue work on this important tactical system, which is vital to effective military operations in today's global political environment."

Comptek Research, Inc., with 13 offices and subsidiary locations in the United States, develops command, control, communications and intelligence systems and electronic warfare systems, primarily for the Department of Defense. Related activities include providing specialized technical services and manufacturing precision electronics.

CONTACT: Christopher A. Head, vice president of Comptek Research, Inc., 716-842-2700; or Stanley Berger or Douglas A. Fox, (investor relations) of SM Berger & Co., 216-283-5400, for Comptek Research, Inc.

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#90304p1667 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

SMITHTOWN, N.Y. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - United-Guardian, Inc. (AMEX: UG) today announced that its major division, Guardian Chemical, has been renamed Guardian Laboratories to more accurately reflect its current operations, particularly in view of the recent issuance of U.S. patents on its solvent for certain types of kidney stones, a non- staining iodine for surgery, as well as the development of a non- antibiotic for the treatment of mastitis in dairy cows, which does not cause contamination of the milk.

"Our Guardian Laboratories division has established alliances with a number of major pharmaceutical companies for several of our products to initiate broad marketing support," observed Alfred Globus, chairman and CEO, United-Guardian, Inc. He said the division is expected to earn almost $.30 per share pre-tax during the next fiscal year.

Guardian Laboratories is also involved in the development and manufacturing of a 100 percent degradable, waterproof plastic film. Its uses would include

waterproof coatings for paper shopping and trash bags, which would be fully biodegradable.

United-Guardian, Inc. develops and manufacturers pharmaceuticals, specialty and fine chemicals, and cosmetic bases for a wide range of industries. The Guardian Chemical name had been in use since 1952; and the division has long had a reputation for strong research and new product development.

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#90304p1670 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, OR (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Williams Controls Inc. (NASDAQ: WMCO) said today it met with Chicago Capital Partners ("CCP") and associates regarding its unsolicited buyout proposal previously announced.

Meetings were held at the Williams Controls facility, Portland, on Oct. 24 and 25, 1990. As a result of these discussions, the company is providing further due diligence information.

The latest information to be provided includes in-depth financial data both historical and projected, as well as certain production and environmental information. CCP expressed their continuing interest in a transaction pending their review of the requested information.

Williams Controls manufactures and sells a wide range of pneumatic, electronic and hydraulic controls for the truck, bus, mining, construction, and refuse collection markets.

Its product lines include approximately 250 different pneumatic products as well as specialized electronic and hydraulic products which are sold nationwide and in foreign countries.

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#90304p1671 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Trust Co. of the West (TCW) announced today the following management promotions: Jeffrey E. Gundlach has been named senior vice president; Barry Kurokawa and Brian T. Mahoney have been promoted to vice presidents.

Gundlach joined TCW in 1985 and has served as vice president in mortgage-backed securities and specialized cash and as vice president of fixed

income. Prior to joining TCW, he served as senior loss reserve analyst in the finance department of Transamerica Corp. He holds a bachelor of arts degree in mathematics and philosophy from Dartmouth College and attended Yale University.

Kurokawa, newly promoted to vice president of equities research, was previously assistant vice president. He joined TCW in 1987 as an equities research analyst. He was an analyst and portfolio manager at the Bank of California prior to joining TCW. He received a bachelor of science degree in business and finance from California State University at Los Angeles and an master of business administration from Loyola Marymount University.

Mahoney, who served as assistant vice president in the special placement area joined TCW in 1989, was promoted to vice president. He also served as an associate at J.P. Poindexter & Co., and as a financial analyst at Morgan Stanley. He holds a bachelor of arts degree from Williams College and a master of science degree in accounting from New York University.

Trust Co. of the West, headquartered in Los Angeles, is among the West's largest independent trust companies, with approximately $20 billion currently under management.

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RICHMOND, BRITISH COLUMBIA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse, Canada's first warehouse-style office supplies and equipment superstore chain announced today the grand opening of its location in Victoria, British Columbia.

George J. Handgis, president and chief executive officer, stated, "With this warehouse opening in Victoria, British Columbia, Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse will continue its transformation of office products retailing in Canada. Canadian businesses and individual consumers have paid too much for too long for quality, brand name office-related products. Great Canadian's rising sales volume and market share validate our deep discount approach to the Canadian office product market."

Handgis added, "The success that we have experienced in the early stages of our expansion is a direct result of our merchandising, our excellent locations and the dedication of our employees."

Stephen E. Capasso, executive vice president and chief operating officer, added, "Great Canadian is well-positioned for whatever turn the Canadian economy takes in the coming months and years. Should a recession occur, we

believe that small- and medium-sized businesses and individual consumers will seek retailers which offer the greatest value. No other office product retailer in Western Canada can match Great Canadian's combination of selection prices, quality and service."

A one-stop resource for small- to medium-sized businesses and individual customers, Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse offers over 7,000 business-related products at discounts of up to 70 percent off retail prices recommended by manufacturers or listed by other retailers. In addition to a wide selection of quality, brand name office products, including supplies, business machines, office furniture, computers and computer software, Great Canadian features complete business service centers offering copying, printing, mailing, and FAX services. The company anticipates opening up to 10 warehouses in Canada by 1991.

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#90304p1675 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

KAILUA-KONA, HAWAII (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Cyanotech Corp. (NASDAQ: CYAN) today announced its second consecutive quarterly profit for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This follows a seven- year history of operating losses for the company. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $75,000 on total revenues of $548,000. Product sales for the third quarter of 1990 increased 58 percent from the comparable quarter in 1989 which was partially offset by a decrease in research contract revenue. For the first nine months of 1990, product sales have increased 35 percent over the same period in 1989. Net loss for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990 was $75,000 due to a poor first quarter. This compares to losses of $773,000 incurred in the similar period in 1989.

"I am very pleased with our third quarter results," said Dr. Gerald R. Cysewski, president and chief executive officer. "Especially since we experienced one-time expenses for closure of our Woodinville operation and consolidation of the company's operation in Kona, Hawaii. The consolidation was completed under budget and 45 days ahead of schedule." Management believes that the consolidation of the company's operation in Kona should result in operating cost reductions and increased organizational efficiency.

Cyanotech's improved financial performance is the result of focused production and marketing efforts, decreased operating expenses and increased sales of its higher margin phycobiliproteins products. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, total operating expenses were down 21 percent while total revenue was up by 16 percent compared to the same period in 1989. Gross margins on product sales have increased from those achieved in 1989.

As in the second quarter of 1990, the company remains in a tight cash flow position. Focused efforts have increased Spirulina production 80 percent over original capacity estimates for the Kona facility. Sales continue to increase but have not yet equalled the rapid ramp up of production. The company hopes to balance Spirulina sales and production by year end.

Cyanotech charted a new direction with financial restructuring and management reorganization during the first quarter of 1990. Cyanotech is now a major world supplier of both Spirulina, a nutritional product, and phycobiliproteins fluorescent pigments used in medical research. "The positive effect of Cyanotech's new structure and direction is now very evident," states Dr. Cysewski.

CYANOTECH CORP.
Condensed Statements of Operations
For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989
(in thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended Sept. 30		Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Product sales	$481	$304	$1,265	$938
Research and development agreement	67	231	225	341
Total revenues	548	535	1,490	1,279
Operating Costs and expenses:				
Cost of product sales	183	133	558	465
Cost of research and development agreement	23	49	114	142
Research and development	25	(1)	24	322
Selling and administrative	159	241	585	722
Depreciation and amortization	72	83	220	251
Total operating costs and expenses	462	505	1,501	1,902
Income (loss) from operations	86	30	(11)	(623)
Other Income (expense):				
Interest expense	(24)	(76)	(106)	(217)
Other income, net	13	48	42	67
Total other income (expense), net	(11)	(28)	(64)	(150)
Net income (loss)	$75	$2	($75)	($773)
Net income (loss) per				

common share	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	($0.04)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	19,408	19,558	19,460	19,530

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ARLINGTON, VA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Columbia First Bank, a Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: CFFS) today announced results for the year and quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the year, the bank reported a net loss of $2.9 million ($1.01 loss per share) compared to net income available to shareholders of $27,000 ($0.01) income per share) for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the quarter, the bank reported a net loss of $5.3 million ($1.83) loss per share) compared to a net loss of $438,000 ($0.15 loss per share) for the same quarter of 1989.

The $3.0 million decline in earnings during the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1990, from the previous year resulted from a $13.9 million increase in the provision for loan losses offsetting a $3.9 million improvement in net interest income, $2.8 million recovered in settlement of insurance claims and litigation, and $3.4 million in gains recognized on extinguishment of debt.

The bank's operating results during fiscal year 1989 included $4.5 million in legal and other expenses associated with the 1989 annual meeting and related litigation and a $4.5 million gain on sale of FHLMC stock.

The $4.9 million decline in fourth quarter results from the previous year period was caused by an $11.2 million increase in the provision for loan losses offsetting a $1.8 million improvement in net interest income and gains recognized on extinguishment of debt totaling $2.8 million.

The increased provision for loan losses reflected the continued deterioration of the Mid-Atlantic region real estate market and increased loan balances in certain loan portfolio segments. The allowance for loan losses at year-end is $10.3 million representing .71 percent of total loans.

Residential mortgages and loans used in the "Qualified Thrift Lender Test" formula equals 87 percent of Columbia First's total loan portfolio as of Sept. 30, 1990. Delinquency in this category is significantly less than local and national figures. The bank's total loan portfolio as of fiscal year-end was $1.4 billion.

Columbia First Bank currently operates 27 banking offices and five loan origination offices in Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, with total assets of $2.1 billion. The bank's capital base exceeds all current Office of Thrift Supervision requirements.

CONTACT: Thomas J. Schaefer, president and chief executive officer, Columbia First Bank, (703) 247-5903.

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ARLINGTON, VA. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Columbia First Bank, a Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ: CFFS) today announced results for the year and quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the year, the bank reported a net loss of $2.9 million ($1.01 loss per share) compared to net income available to shareholders of $27,000 ($0.01) income per share) for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989. For the quarter, the bank reported a net loss of $5.3 million ($1.83) loss per share) compared to a net loss of $438,000 ($0.15 loss per share) for the same quarter of 1989.

The $3.0 million decline in earnings during the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1990, from the previous year resulted from a $13.9 million increase in the provision for loan losses offsetting a $3.9 million improvement in net interest income, $2.8 million recovered in settlement of insurance claims and litigation, and $3.4 million in gains recognized on extinguishment of debt. The bank's operating results during fiscal year 1989 included $4.5 million in legal and other expenses associated with the 1989 annual meeting and related litigation and a $4.5 million gain on sale of FHLMC stock.

The $4.9 million decline in fourth quarter results from the previous year period was caused by an $11.2 million increase in the provision for loan losses offsetting a $1.8 million improvement in net interest income and gains recognized on extinguishment of debt totaling $2.8 million.

The increased provision for loan losses reflected the continued deterioration of the Mid-Atlantic region real estate market and increased loan balances in certain loan portfolio segments. The allowance for loan losses at year-end is $10.3 million representing .71 percent of total loans. Residential mortgages and loans used in the "Qualified Thrift Lender Test" formula equals 87 percent of Columbia First's total loan portfolio as of Sept. 30, 1990. Delinquency in this category is significantly less than local and national figures. The bank's total loan portfolio as of fiscal year-end was $1.4 billion. Columbia First Bank currently operates 27 banking offices and five loan origination offices in Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, with total assets of $2.1 billion. The bank's capital base exceeds all current Office of Thrift Supervision requirements.

COLUMBIA FIRST BANK, A FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK AND SUBSIDIARIES

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(Dollars in thousands, except share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, (Unaudited)		Fiscal Year Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating Results				
Net interest income	$9,221	7,420	34,192	30,315
Provision for loan losses	11,324	153	14,921	981
Other income (net)	2,385	3,013	10,219	12,093
Operating expense	9,727	10,494	33,490	38,214
Net income (loss) before extraordinary item	(7,770)	(129)	(5,112)	1,320
Extraordinary item, net of taxes	2,762	--	3,381	--
Provision for annual income payments on permanent income capital certificate	298	309	1,210	1,293
Net income (loss) shareholders	(5,306)	(438)	(2,941)	27
Per Share Data Net income (loss) before extraordinary item - primary and fully diluted	$ (2.68)	(0.04)	(1.76)	0.48
Extraordinary item, net of taxes	0.95	--	1.16	--
Provision for annual income payments on permanent income capital certificate	0.10	0.11	0.41	0.47
Net income to shareholders -- primary and fully diluted	(1.83)	(0.15)	(1.01)	0.01

	As of Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Balance Sheet		
Federal funds sold and investments	$ 90,825	99,725
Mortgage-backed securities	517,591	616,130
Loans, net	1,449,441	1,365,819
Assets	2,139,515	2,157,830
Deposits	1,341,598	1,218,720
Borrowings	671,884	809,797
Stockholders' equity	94,588	97,317
Common shares outstanding	2,901,845	2,890,543
Common book value, net of goodwill	19.47	20.75
Allowance for Loan Losses		
Balance, beginning of period	$ 1,090	749
Balance, end of period	10,300	1,090
Reserve/period end loans	.71 pct.	.08 pct.
Nonperforming Assets		
Nonaccruing loans	$ 12,091	730
Loans past due 90 days still accruing	4,925	3,368

Real estate owned	11,622	1,528
	$ 28,638	5,626
Nonperforming assets/period end loans	1.98 pct.	.41 pct.
Reserve/nonperforming assets	36.00 pct.	19.37 pct.

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HAMILTON, MN (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Ribi ImmunoChem Research Inc. (NASDAQ: RIBI) announced today its financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales revenues for the third quarter of 1990 increased 56 percent achieving $227,808 as compared to $146,369 in the third quarter of 1989. Total revenues as a result of higher sales, increased 24 percent in the third quarter of 1990, achieving $339,817 as compared to $273,033 for the third quarter of 1989.

The net loss for the third quarter of 1990 decreased to $533,194 or $.06 per share, compared to $703,488 or $.08 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

Sales revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 35 percent, achieving $747,908 as compared to $552,624 in the comparable period in 1989. Total revenues increased 10 percent in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, achieving $1,055,309 as compared to $960,278 for the comparable period in 1989 despite lower investment income.

The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, decreased to $1,778,878 or $.20 per share, compared to a net loss of $2,125,789 or $.24 per share for the comparable period in 1989.

"Our 1990 third quarter and nine month financial results are very satisfactory and surpassed our expectations," said Robert E. Ivy, chief executive officer, president and chairman. "Strict money management, increased ales revenues and interest earnings from a $1 million equity infusion by S.R. One Ltd. in June allowed us to limit our cash burn to $455,700 in the third quarter, compared to $515,300 and $583,300 in the first and second quarters of 1990."

RIBI IMMUNOCHEM
1990 Third Quarter Financial Results
Summary of Operations
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				

Sales	$227,808	$146,369	$747,908	$552,624
Investment and other	112,009	126,664	307,401	407,654
Total	339,817	273,033	1,055,309	960,278
Costs and expenses	873,011	976,521	2,834,187	3,086,067
Net loss	($533,194)	($703,488)	($1,778,878)	($2,125,789)
Loss per common share	($.06)	($.08)	($.20)	($.24)
Average number of shares outstanding	8,935,310	8,635,765	8,751,054	8,635,429

RIBI IMMUNOCHEM
Condensed Balance Sheets
(Unaudited)

	Sept. 30 1990	Dec. 31 1989
Current assets, principally cash and short-term investments	$5,281,491	$5,826,716
Property, plant and equipment, net	4,005,931	4,193,215
Other assets, net	430,317	400,729
Total	$9,717,739	$10,420,660
Current liabilities	$274,351	$282,397
Long-term debt	---	---
Shareholders' equity	9,443,388	10,138,263
Total	$9,717,739	$10,420,660

CONTACT: Robert E. Ivy, president, CEO and chairman, or Vern D. Child, v.p., finance, of Ribi Immunochem Research Inc., 406-363-6214, or Susan A. Noonan or Anthony J. Russo of Noonan-Russo Communications, 212-979-9180.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR) announced that it has obtained an extension until Nov. 5, 1990, of payments due holders of certain notes and warrants and until Nov. 12, 1990, of its commitment to its senior lenders to raise $15 million of equity as discussions continue to restructure the company's obligations to those parties. Jacor does not expect to satisfy the equity requirement by Nov. 12 and will be seeking a further extension or elimination of such provision. There can be no assurance that a further extension or elimination will be granted.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass

Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

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#90304p1688 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
BIRMINGAM, ALA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Moore-Handley Inc. (NASDAQ: MHCO) has announced the appointment of Gordon K. Johnston as vice president - Merchandising and James A. Tucker as vice president - Major and Corporate Accounts.

Johnston brings 23 years of merchandising experience to Moore-Handley. He most recently served as director of Merchandising with Coast To Coast Stores in Denver. Tucker joined Moore-Handley in 1988 and is being promoted from manager, Major Accounts. In his new capacity he will direct this area of the company's sales and marketing efforts.

CONTACT: L. Ward Edwards of Moore-Handley, 404-577-5532

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#90304p1690 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
HARRISBURG, PA. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Harsco Corp. (NYSE: HSC) announced today that its Patent Scaffolding Division has acquired the scaffolding, shoring and forming branches of Universal Builders Supply Inc. (UBS) of Red Hook, N.Y., for approximately $14 million.

Harsco's Patent Scaffolding Division is headquartered in Fort Lee, N.J. Patent is a leader in the manufacture, sale and rental of state-of- the-art scaffolding, shoring, concrete forming and support services to the construction and industrial maintenance industries through its network of 44 branch operations and sales offices throughout North America. UBS supplies similar products and services to these broad markets and has developed a strong reputation for quality service along the eastern seaboard of the United States. UBS will continue its subcontracting activities in the architectural woodworking field, hoisting, and special scaffolding application businesses. UBS operates branches in New York, New England, Philadelphia and is actively engaged in construction projects in Europe.

Harsco Corp. is a diversified, international, industrial company headquartered in Camp Hill, Pa. The company's 12 divisions provide products and services for defense, industrial, commercial and construction applications from more than 270 facilities in 32 states and 14 countries.

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#90304p1698 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
ARLINGTON, VA. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Frank L. Salizzoni has been named executive vice president-finance for USAir and USAir Group (NYSE: U), the airline's parent firm. He will join USAir on Nov. 12.

Salizzoni was associated with Trans World Airlines and Transworld Corporation from 1967 to 1987, where he held several senior financial management positions including vice chairman and chief financial officer from 1984.

He became vice chairman and chief financial officer of TW Services and then chairman and chief executive officer in 1987, until TW Services went private in 1989. He has also been associated with Mancusco & Co. of New York City.

Salizzoni is a graduate of Penn State University. He earned an MBA from George Washington University and pursued a doctorate at New York University.

His office will be at USAir's corporate headquarters in Arlington.

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#90304p1699 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - National Steel Corp. today reported a net profit of $11.4 million for the year's third quarter, bringing net profits for the first nine months of the year to $20.3 million.

Net profit for the third quarter and first nine months of 1989 was $12.6 million and $54.8 million, respectively.

Net sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $633.8 million compared to $609.1 million in the same 1989 period. For the first nine months, sales approximated the $1.9 billion of the previous year.

Net income for the third quarters of 1990 and 1989 was favorably impacted by extraordinary credits which represent tax benefits from net operating loss carryforwards not previously recognized of $.5 million and $3.4 million, respectively. Earnings for the first nine months of the two years benefitted similarly from such extraordinary credits of $2.7 million and $15.0 million.

Looking ahead, Hagiwara expressed concern over the softening domestic and world economies and the increased cost pressures being exerted as a result of the Mideast crisis. "We had initially expected that the economy would grow stronger during the second half of 1990," Hagiwara said. "The effects of the

situation in the Mideast have clouded the economic picture for late 1990 and early 1991."

National's chief executive also noted that he anticipates an adverse impact on fourth quarter earnings as the result of a mine fire that has forced the temporary sealing of the Mathies coal mine in Finleyville, Pa.

National Steel Corp. is the nation's fifth largest steelmaker with production facilities in Ecorse, Mich., near Detroit; Portage, Ind., near Chicago; and Granite City, Ill., near St. Louis. The company is headquartered in Pittsburgh and employs about 12,000 people. It is owned 70 percent by NKK Corp. and 30 percent by National Intergroup Inc. (NYSE: NII). In 1989, National Steel shipped 4,957,000 tons of steel and had sales of $2.6 billion.

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NORTHBROOK, ILL. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Woodhead Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: WDHD) announced today that a review of preliminary results indicates that revenues and earnings will be reported at record levels for the fiscal year ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Commenting on the company's performance, Alan Reed, chairman and chief executive officer, said "We expect that our earnings per share for the year will exceed $1.50 -- up from $1.36 last year. We are especially pleased with Woodhead's strong performance in our fourth quarter, since that has been a seasonally weak time for our industry. The softening economy is clearly having a negative impact on the performance of most industrial companies but our growth trend of recent years has continued. We have the advantage of participating in market niches that are experiencing growth and that are not highly sensitive to broad economic trends. In addition, our product lines are increasingly focused on high-margin, value-added products; we have discontinued many of the less profitable commodity products that were mainstays just a few years ago and that provides a real boost to earnings."

Final audited financial results for Woodhead's 1990 fiscal year will be released in mid-November. For the nine months ended June 30, 1990 the company reported net sales of $55 million, net income of $3.7 million and earnings per share of $1.14. Earnings per share for the trailing 12 months ended June 30, 1990, were $1.49; revenues for the 12- month period were $72 million.

Woodhead Industries Inc. is headquartered in Northbrook, Ill. The company develops, manufactures and markets specialty electrical devices and motion control products with a broad range of industrial applications.

CONTACT: Robert Jennings, VP-Finance and CFO of Woodhead Industries,

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#90304p1703 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Ogden Corporation (NYSE: OG) announced today that its Fairfax, Va.-based subsidiary, OGDEN/ERC Government Systems, was awarded an $8 million, 3-year contract by the Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) to provide systems engineering, analyses and related services to its AIR 713 Information Resources Management Division.

Under the contract, ERC will perform engineering and analytical services supporting the development, testing, operation and maintenance of various Naval Air weapons systems, subsystems, components and associated support systems. Among those to be supported will be the F-14, F-18, AV-8, A-6, JVX, Sh-60B, P-3 and E-2 aircraft; the Harpoon, Phoenix, Sidewinder and Sparrow missile systems. Examples of specific systems include automated aircrew escape, petroleum utilization, data processing and monitoring, manpower, weapons and navigation.

ERC will analyze and simulate systems effectiveness, hardware reliability and maintainability, aircraft availability and capability in performing current and future missions -- to identify problem areas and recommend solutions. ERC will also provide software systems analyses and/or computer programming supporting technical and managerial functions.

OGDEN/ERC Government Systems serves government and industry clients in the defense and space technologies, software and systems engineering and engineering and support services markets worldwide.

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#90304p1709 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
SCHAUMBURG, IL (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Datronic Rental Corp. (DRC) announced today it has acquired the lease portfolio of Schaumburg-based Capital Leasing Co. (CLC). The portfolio is primarily composed of machine tools and printing equipment leased to independent end-users under full-payout lease contracts.

The unbilled contract revenues pertaining to the portfolio are approximately $75 million. Datronic has received commitments from Capitol Leasing to supply up to $30 million annually of new lease contracts.

Founded in 1960, Datronic Rental Corp. specializes in the leasing and financing of printing, medical, telecommunications, and general office equipment. The firm, also based in Schaumburg, has completed over $300 million of public investor lease transactions since 1987.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastchester Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: ECFC), holding company for Eastchester Savings Bank, today reported a net loss of $6.0 million or $1.54 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to the net income of $407,000 or $0.10 per share for the comparable quarter for 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the net loss was $6.2 million or $1.60 per share as compared with net income of $3.4 million for the comparable 1989 period, which includes the results of the company and the bank prior to the bank's conversion from mutual to stock ownership in April 1989.

The decline in earnings this quarter, and for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, is principally attributable to an increase of $5.4 million and $8.1 million in the provision for loan losses, as compared to the prior year periods, and to a lesser extent, professional fees related primarily to the company's proposed acquisition by North Fork Bancorporation and charged to earnings during the three and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990. "We continued to increase our allowance for loan losses as a result of the further deterioration of the real estate market in our area," said Malcolm J. Delaney, president and chief executive officer.

The third quarter provision increases the allowance for loan losses to $9.1 million or 2.7 percent of total loans compared with $1.7 million or .48 percent of loans at Dec. 31, 1989. On an annualized basis net charge-offs, as a percent of loans, were .77 percent and 0 percent for the first nine months of 1990 and 1989, respectively. The level of non- performing assets in the 1990 third quarter was $25.2 million or 4.9 percent of total assets as compared with $20.5 million or 3.9 percent of total assets at June 30, 1990.

Net interest income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased to $4.5 million from $4.4 million for the comparable 1989 figure. The increase in net interest income resulted from an increase in yields on interest earning assets and a decrease in the company's cost of funds, partially offset by lost interest on non-performing assets.

Other operating expenses increased to $3.2 million during the third quarter of 1990 versus $2.4 million for the comparable period of 1989. This increase resulted primarily from higher professional fees, including $500,000 related to the merger.

Total assets equalled $516.9 million at Sept. 30, 1990, while deposits

totalled $435.3 million. Stockholders' equity was $71.8 million representing 13.9 percent of total assets. "Our strong capital position provides a distinct competitive advantage over our peers and gives us flexibility in dealing with problems in these difficult economic times," said Delaney.

Eastchester had previously announced on Oct. 8, 1990, a revised agreement with North Fork Bancorporation providing for the acquisition of Eastchester at $15.50 per share, subject to regulatory approval. The revised agreement also allows Eastchester, until Nov. 16, 1990, to solicit or receive inquiries from any other parties interested in the possible acquisition of the company and, as appropriate, to provide information to and enter into discussions and negotiations with such parties in connection with any such indicated interest. That announcement on Oct. 8, 1990, stated that Eastchester planned to make a substantial addition to its loan loss reserve and that the new agreement with North Fork reflected these plans. Eastchester does not expect the increase, which was announced on Oct. 15, 1990, and reflected in the results announced today, will have an adverse effect on the proposed acquisition of Eastchester by North Fork.

EASTCHESTER FINANCIAL CORPORATION CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION
(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share information)

Period ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net interest income	$ 4,518	$ 4,422	$12,793	$13,789
Provision for loan losses	6,399	992	9,341	1,223
Net interest income after provision	(1,881)	3,430	3,452	12,566
Other income (loss)	68	(36)	398	174
Other expenses	3,187	2,445	9,253	6,987
Income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income taxes	(5,000)	949	(5,403)	5,753
Provision for income taxes	998	542	829	2,375
Net income (loss)	(5,998)	407	(6,232)	3,378
Earnings (loss) per share	(1.54)	0.10	(1.60)	N/A

N/A -- Not applicable as the bank converted from a mutual to a stock ownership in April 1989.

	9/30/90	9/30/89
Total assets	$516,893	$510,146
Net loans	324,866	347,607
Total deposits	435,323	424,080
Shareholders' equity	71,818	79,300
Book value per share	18.29	20.12

CONTACT: William J. Volckmann, senior vice president of Eastchester Financial
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WEST ORANGE, NJ (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Micro Healthsystems, (NASDAQ: MCHS), a manufacturer of Bedside Nursing Patient Care Systems and Healthcare Financial Management Systems, showed record revenues and net profits for the second quarter and first half year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

"Our strong growth trend is being driven by an increasing number of hospitals installing computerized nursing and patient care systems which are easing the nursing shortage and contributing to better care," S.M. Caravetta, chairman and chief executive officer, said. "With the continuing growth of Bedside Charting and Patient Care Systems and our recently announced strategic alliance with Baxter Healthcare Corporation, a subsidiary of Baxter International (NYSE: BAX), we anticipate continued growth through this year and beyond," Caravetta added.

Revenues for the second quarter rose by more than 40 percent to $2,386,000 from $1,680,000 in the comparable period a year ago. Net income after taxes more than doubled to $440,000, or 20 cents per share, on a weighted average of 2,111,000 shares outstanding. This compared with a net after-tax income of $200,000, or 12 cents per share, on a weighted average of 1,833,000 shares outstanding in the second quarter last year.

Revenues for the six months increased by more than 50 percent to $5,091,000 from $3,307,000 in the first half of last year. Net income more than doubled to $892,000, or 42 cents per share, on a weighted average of 2,105,000 shares outstanding, against $419,000, or 24 cents per share on a weighted average of 1,833,000 shares outstanding, for the first six months of last year.

The company's MedTake(R) Bedside Nursing Patient Care System is the dominant provider in the market with some 70 percent of the installed bedside terminals Caravetta pointed out. "However, we have just scratched the surface of this expanding growth area. The U.S. market alone is comprised of more than 1.2 million beds of which approximately 2 percent are being serviced by computerized bedside units. We believe that our marketing alliance with Baxter will help accelerate our growth in this area," Caravetta said.

In addition to its Bedside Nursing Patient Care Systems, Micro Healthsystems offers hospital clients and a series of Healthcare Financial Management products, including an Inpatient Management System; an Integrated Hospital Financial System; A Home Care Management System; A Physician's Billing and Management System for hospital-based and private physician group practices; and a Facilities Management program for out-patient billing and accounts receivable to hospitals, utilizing Micro Healthsystems' own staff.

CONTACT: S.M. Caravetta, chairman and CEO, or James A. Pesce, president of Micro Healthsystems, 201-731-9252.

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - North Atlantic Technologies, Inc. (NAT) today reported a loss for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $225,795 or $.12 per share compared with earnings of $354,943 or $.20 per share for the same period in 1989. Sales for the third quarter were $567,378 compared with $1,093,221 in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales were $2,616,429 versus $3,587,851 for the first nine months of 1989. A loss of $331,058 was recorded for the first nine months of 1990 compared to earnings of $479,303 for the same period in 1989.

Year-to-date, new order bookings are at a level 30 percent ahead of last year, and backlog continues to increase. The management of the company believes that operations will return to profitability in 1991 due to increased order placement levels resulting from the company's investments in marketing activities during 1990.

NAT manufactures heat recovery systems which it sells to industrial companies for energy recovery and environmental applications. Its headquarters are in Minneapolis.

NORTH ATLANTIC TECHNOLOGIES, INC. CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS (000s)

	Nine Months Ended		Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Sales	$2,616	$3,588	$567	$1,093
Cost of sales	1,781	2,323	399	683
Gross profit	835	1,265	168	410
Operating costs	950	817	296	269
Operating income	(115)	448	(128)	141
R&D contract settlement	--	314	--	314
Other income (expense)	(216)	(283)	(98)	(100)
Net income (loss)	$(331)	$479	$(226)	$355
Net income (loss) per share	$(.18)	$.27	$(.12)	$.20
Average number of shares outstanding	1,894,508	1,780,263	1,950,729	1,790,209

CONTACT: David Paulin of North Atlantic Technologies, (612) 933-8220.

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PORT WASHINGTON, NY (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Nytest Environmental Inc. (NASDAQ: NYTS) today announced record third quarter revenues of $1,754,226 and

net income of $126,202. Revenues for the third quarter increased by 43 percent and net income 306 percent over the corresponding period a year earlier.

Nytest is engaged in the business of providing specialized analytical services directed at the accurate measurement of hazardous waste.

Nytest anticipates that the company will continue its profitable growth and believes that the company will also continue to take advantage of the growing available market for its services.

NYTEST ENVIRONMENTAL INC.

Quarter ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
Revenue	$1,754,226	$1,222,640
Net income	126,202	31,081
Earnings per share	.02	.01
Weighted average common shares outstanding	5,729,297	5,705,230
Nine months ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
Revenue	$4,710,587	$3,780,379
Net income	340,055	268,353
Earnings per share	.06	.05
Weighted average common shares outstanding	5,729,297	5,705,230

CONTACT: John Gaspari, president of Nytest Environmental, 516-625-5500

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MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Medtronic, Inc. (NYSE: MDT) today announced commercial release of the world's smallest cardiac pacemaker.

Weighing only 17 grams (six-tenths of an ounce), the Micro Minix(TM) pacemaker sets new standards for the miniaturization of pacemaker circuitry and battery technology. It is 40 mm. (1-9/16 inches) high, 32 mm. (1-1/4 inches) wide, and 7 mm. (slightly more than 1/4 inch) thick.

Small as it is, the Micro Minix pacemaker delivers a full range of pacing capabilities for either the atrium or ventricle of the heart that beats too slowly. It holds special appeal for low-weight patients or others in which a smaller subcutaneous implant pocket is important.

The Micro Minix incorporates an IS-1 (International Standard-1) configuration in the connector block, the component that accommodates endocardial leads carrying electrical impulses to the heart wall. IS-1 ensures compatibility among leads and pulse generators from different manufacturers without the need for adaptors.

Introduction of the Micro Minix pacemaker in the United States market follows a worldwide process of clinical evaluation that began Feb. 2, 1990, when Dr. Keith Dawkins implanted the new pacemaker for a 79-year-old man at Southampton General Hospital, England.

Medtronic, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, is a leading developer and manufacturer of biomedical devices for improving cardiovascular and neurological health.

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SAGINAW, MICH. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Mark L. Nelson, founder, president and chief executive officer of Polar Molecular Corporation (PMC), announced today that an investor group comprised of members of the board of directors and others have committed approximately $1.2 million in cash and notes convertible to shares of PMC common stock for additional working capital.

"This action," said Nelson, "along with current revenues, will enable the company to operate with a comfortable cash position for the remainder of this fiscal year. It also underscores our confidence in the company's success," said Nelson. "This will allow us to focus our efforts on revenue building through exploitation of contracts such as the previously announced agreement with Paul Newman - Bob Sharp, and a contract with a major refiner, as well as other business opportunities we are now pursuing."

"The company expects to be operating profitably by the close of its fiscal year ending March 31, 1991," said Nelson.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Zonic Corp. (NASDAQ: ZNIC) had substantial increases in earnings and sales for both the second quarter and first six months of its current fiscal year.

For the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Zonic had net earnings of $109,000, a 45 percent increase over restated net earnings of $75,000 for the second quarter of the previous fiscal year. Earnings per share increased to 4 cents per share compared with restated earnings per share of 2 cents per share in the year-ago period, a 44 percent increase.

Sales for the quarter were $1,863,000, a 38 percent increase over $1,351,000 for the year-ago fiscal second quarter.

Earnings for the first six months of the current fiscal year were $159,000 or 5 cents per share compared with restated net earnings of $110,000 or 4 cents per share in the year-ago period.

Sales for the six month period were $3,301,000, up 28 percent from $2,581,000 in the previous six month period.

New orders for the second quarter were $1,248,000, up 23 percent from $1,011,000 for the comparable period. Backlog at the end of the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $3,475,000 compared with $3,178,000 at the end of the year-ago fiscal second quarter.

Zobrist said that the favorable results were attributed to sales of a broad range of Zonic's products including the Zonic A&D 3500 series Analyzers, SYSTEM 7000 Parallel Signal Processors and XCITE Vibration Exciters.

He said Zonic had also received an additional $376,000 order from NASA for its SYSTEM 7000 which will be used for wind tunnel studies at NASA's Langley research facility. Zobrist said Zonic also participated with NASA in structural integrity tests of the space shuttle with the $1,200,000 Shuttle Modal Inspection System delivered to NASA last year.

Zonic's earnings for the prior five years have been restated by a total of $166,000 to properly reflect taxes, interest and penalties incurred for payroll and other related tax filings, deposits and payments. The restatement reduced last year's fiscal second quarter net earnings from $91,000 to $75,000 and reduced earnings per share by seven tenths of 1 cent for the quarter.

Zonic Corp. manufactures, markets and services data acquisition and computer graphic systems which are used in industrial applications utilizing computer-aided engineering, computerized machinery monitoring and maintenance systems. The company's headquarters are located in the Greater Cincinnati metropolitan area with sales and service facilities in North America, Western Europe and the Pacific Rim.

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CINCINNATI (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Zonic Corp. (NASDAQ: ZNIC) had substantial increases in earnings and sales for both the second quarter and first six months of its current fiscal year.

Gerald J. Zobrist, president and chief executive officer, said that this marks

the 12th consecutive quarter of increased earnings and sales over comparable periods for Zonic.

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Zonic also had increased international business with new orders from England, India, Korea, Israel and Canada, Zobrist said.

The Zonic chief executive said that during the quarter, Zonic introduced its new Workstation 7000 to the test and measurement market place. He noted that this is a new lower cost entry system for customers desiring the capabilities of Zonic's SYSTEM 7000 but with reduced budgets. Initial market acceptance of the new produce line is encouraging, Zobrist said.

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ZONIC CORP. CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT
(Unaudited)
For the three & six month periods ended
Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989

	Three months		
	9/30/90	9/30/89 (restated)	PCT.
Revenue	$1,863,329	$1,351,065	37.9 pct.
Earnings	108,784	74,749	45.5 pct.
Earnings per share	$ 0.04	$ 0.02	43.5 pct.
Weighted average shares	3,095,102	3,050,932	1.4 pct.
Backlog of orders	3,474,750	3,178,000	9.3 pct.

	Six Months		
	9/30/90	9/30/89 (restated)	PCT.
Revenue	$3,301,159	$2,581,325	27.9 pct.
Earnings	158,971	110,187	44.3 pct.
Earnings per share	$ 0.05	$ 0.04	42.2 pct.
Weighted average shares	3,095,102	3,050,932	1.4 pct.
Backlog of orders	3,474,750	3,178,000	9.3 pct.

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#90304p1722 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Time Warner Inc., the world's leading media and entertainment company, has joined with the United Nations Association of the USA and the Weyerhaeuser Family Foundation in sponsoring a national literacy conference at the United Nations on Dec. 3, 1990.

The one-day conference marks both the finale of International Literacy Year in the U.S. and the kick-off of a decade of action towards eradicating illiteracy. Fifteen national literacy organizations will participate in the Dec. 3 conference, which will include seminars on practical ideas and models for combating illiteracy.

The conference is expected to draw over 500 learners, educators, literacy professionals and volunteers, policy makers and business executives from around the world.

According to statistics compiled by the United Nations, nearly one billion adults in the world cannot read or write, and one hundred million children have no access to basic literacy training. In the United States alone, one-third of the adult population lack the literacy skills needed to function effectively in the workplace.

To help combat illiteracy, Time Warner Inc. in 1985 developed Time To Read, a not-for-profit program designed to improve the reading skills of functional illiterates and marginal readers. Today Time To Read operates at 66 sites in 14 states.

In addition, Time Warner publishes Sports Illustrated For Kids, a monthly magazine aimed at readers ages eight and up, and provides 250,000 free subscriptions to students in 1,350 schools in low income neighborhoods across the country.

In announcing Time Warner's co-sponsorship of the UNA National Literacy Conference, Steven J. Ross and N.J. Nicholas Jr., co-chief executive officers of the company, said, "This is a unique moment in history.

Old barriers to human communication and understanding are falling. As a global media and entertainment company, we feel a great responsibility to assure that today's communications technologies and vast array of product are used constructively to make a positive difference."

Ross and Nicholas added: "We also know that without efforts like the United Nations Association's Literacy Conference, companies like ours will not be able to find employees with the skills necessary for us to compete effectively in tomorrow's marketplace."

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HOUSTON (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Gamma Biologicals, Inc. (AMEX: GBL) today reported net income of $357,000, or 8 cents per share, on sales of $3,828,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the same period last fiscal year, net income was $465,000, or 10 cents per share, on sales of $4,657,000.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, the company earned $758,000, or 17 cents per share, on sales of $7,630,000. These results compare with net income of $824,000, or 18 cents per share, on sales of $9,426,000 for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

"Domestic sales continue to increase and earnings remain strong," reported Chairman David E. Hatcher. "International sales are lower, as anticipated,

due to the sale of the Italian subsidiaries."

Gamma Biologicals manufactures and markets a wide range of highly refined and specialized testing products, known as diagnostic reagents, as well as specialized instrument systems. Gamma markets to hospitals, blood banks, medical laboratories, physicians' offices and research institutions. The company's common stock began trading on the American Stock Exchange on June 8, 1990.

GAMMA BIOLOGICALS, INC.
Statements of Consolidated Income
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share amounts)

Periods ended	Three Months		Six Months	
Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$3,828	$4,657	$7,630	$9,426
Costs and expenses	3,455	3,960	6,747	8,148
Income from operations	373	697	883	1,278
Other income (expense) - net	(14)	(120)	(53)	(250)
Income before income taxes and extraordinary item	359	577	830	1,028
Income taxes	127	346	247	617
Income before extraordinary item	232	231	583	411
Extraord. item - utilization of net operating loss carryfrwrd.	125	234	175	413
Net income	357	465	758	824
Income per common share:				
Inc. before extraordinary item	$.05	$.05	$.13	$.09
Extraord. item utilization of net operating loss carryforward	.03	.05	.04	.09
Net income per common share	.08	.10	.17	.18
Wtd. avg. shares outstanding	4,551	4,551	4,551	4,551

CONTACT: David E. Hatcher, chairman and president, or Margaret J. Bannion, chief financial officer of Gamma Biologicals, 713-681-8481

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#90304p1725 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Chili's, Inc. (NYSE: EAT) announced today that results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, set new records for the company with revenues of $101.6 million, an increase of 22 percent over the $83.4 million reported for the first fiscal quarter of 1990. Income before income taxes increased to $9.2 million, 31 percent above the $7.0 million reported in fiscal 1990. Net income rose 30 percent to $6.1 million from $4.7 million reported in the first quarter of fiscal 1990, while primary earnings per share increased 14 percent to $0.50 from $0.44. Comparable store sales rose 2.3 percent between the two first quarter periods.

The company opened one company-operated Chili's restaurant and one joint venture Chili's restaurant during the quarter, bringing the total number of Chili's restaurants to 213 operating in 35 states. The company opened one Regas Grill restaurant for a total of 10 restaurants operating in seven states.

Chili's Grill and Bar operates full-service restaurants featuring a casual atmosphere and a limited menu of freshly prepared chicken, beef and seafood entrees, hamburgers, ribs, fajitas, sandwiches, salads, appetizers, desserts and a full-service bar.

The Regas Grill restaurants are casual, upscale dinner house restaurants that feature fresh seafood, prime rib, steaks, pasta, salads, sandwiches, appetizers, desserts and a full-service bar.

Chili's is also engaged in the development of Romano's Macaroni Grill concept, an upscale Italian theme restaurant, and operates one such restaurant in San Antonio, Texas. A second restaurant opened on Oct. 1, 1990 in Addison, Texas.

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DETROIT (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Grand Trunk Corporation, parent company of three U.S. railroads, has entered a joint venture with Corporate Flight, Inc., a pioneer in business aviation management, located at Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

Gerald L. Maas, president of Grand Trunk Corporation, and Robert G. Carnell, president of Corporate Flight, announced the agreement Tuesday night at an exclusive dinner party for more than 150 area executives at the Detroit Athletic Club.

Introduced at the celebration was Mr. Yoji Toyama, newly appointed president of Mazda North America (MANA), who was meeting southeastern Michigan automotive and transportation leaders for the first time.

As the party invitation suggested, it was a celebration for persons interested in "Planes, Trains and Automobiles". President Maas of Grand Trunk said, "The theme is certainly appropriate since Grand Trunk has been a leading name in Midwest transportation for 132 years. Working hand-in-hand with the auto industry," he continued, "our technical advancements reach from the first days of the assembly line to futuristic concepts."

Grand Trunk Corporation, headquartered in Detroit, is the holding company for three U.S. railroads: Grand Trunk Western Railroad, the Duluth, Winnipeg and Pacific Railway, and Central Vermont Railway, Inc.

Corporate Flight, Inc. is a business aviation company with 17 years of management experience in operating corporate aircraft and chartering service for executives in southeastern Michigan.

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#90304p1728 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOWELL, MA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Wang Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: WAN) today introduced the DX100 and DX200, two UNIX(R) systems based on Wang high-performance industry-standard personal computers (PCs) that offer users a convenient, cost-effective starting point for running the thousands of application solutions available under The Santa Cruz Operation's (SCO)(tm) UNIX System V/386 Release 3.2 operating system.

Extending Wang's DYNAMIX Series of UNIX multiuser systems, the entry-level DX100 and DX200 are preconfigured with a number of components to simplify ordering and installation. Like Wang's mid-range DYNAMIX DX2000 system, they run SCO UNIX System V/386 Release 3.2 giving users access to more than 3,500 off-the-shelf application software programs. The two systems will debut at UNIX EXPO, which will take place from Oct. 31 to Nov. 2 in New York.

Each DX100 and DX200 base system includes 4 megabytes (MB) of system memory, cache memory for improved CPU performance, an 8-slot chassis with one parallel and two serial ports, a 16-bit intelligent SCSI (Small Computer System Interface)-based controller, a 16-bit monochrome/color VGA controller, a 150MB 1/4-inch streaming cartridge tape drive, a 1.2MB or 1.44MB diskette drive, and a keyboard. Available in December, the DX100 is priced at $8,995 and the DX200 at $10,995. System Highlights

Like the mid-range DX2000 system, the new platforms are based on Intel microprocessorss. The DX100 offers a 33 megahertz (MHz) 80386 processor, while the DX200 is built on a 25MHz Intel 1486 processor. Both come with standard memory configurations of 4MB and optionally support up to 16MB of total system memory. Up to 16 active users running UNIX applications are supported on the DX100, and up to 32 active users on the DX200.

Both the DX100 and the DX200 offer customers great flexibility in configuring the base systems with added peripherals and communications options to suit the users' needs.

The SCSI interface supplied with the DX100 and DX200 supports all storage peripherals available for the mid-range DX2000, including 145MB, 320MB, and 650MB disk drives, as well as the 150MB tape drive. In addition to internal SCSI drives, two optional SCSI disk cabinets are also available.

By adding an intelligent asynchronous controller, users can connect up to eight RS-232 devices, such as asynchronous terminals and printers. Up to four controllers can be installed in a single DX100 or DX200 host. This makes arrangement of work groups easier by giving many users concurrent access to applications at a fraction of the cost of an individual PC for each user.

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#90304p1731 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

SIMSBURY, CONN. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Kollmorgen Corporation (NYSE: KOL) today reported after-tax income from continuing operations of $1.7 million, equal to $.12 per common share (after payment of preferred dividends), on sales of $56.1 million during the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Comparable figures for the 1989 period were an after-tax loss from continuing operations of $4.0 million, or $.37 per common share, on sales of $51.9 million. Included in the 1990 third- quarter results is an after-tax charge of approximately $1.1 million, equal to $.11 per common share, for a plant closing and consolidation of operations.

After-tax income from continuing operations for the first nine months of 1990 was $3.0 million, or $.18 per common share (after payment of preferred dividends), on sales of $175.8 million, compared with an after-tax loss of $4.2 million, or $.40 per common share, on sales of $169.6 million in the prior period. In addition to the third-quarter plant closing and consolidation charges, the 1990 nine-month results included nonrecurring proxy contest and related costs of $1.8 million ($.17 per common share) and the previously announced settlement with Vernitron Corporation of $2.0 million ($.18 per common share).

Discontinued operations for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, resulted in an after-tax loss of $.9 million, or $.09 per common share, compared with an after-tax loss of $3.2 million, or $.30 per common share, for the comparable 1989 period.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, discontinued operations resulted in net income of $14.7 million (principally from gains on the sale of assets), or $1.39 per common share ($1.11 on a fully diluted basis), compared with a net loss of $11.3 million, or $1.07 per common share, for the comparable period in 1989.

Thus, total net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $17.7 million, or $1.57 per common share ($1.54 on a fully diluted basis), compared with an after-tax loss of $15.6 million, or $1.47 per common share, for the comparable 1989 nine-month period. Total operations for the third quarter of 1990

resulted in net income of $.8 million, or $.03 per common share, compared with the total third-quarter 1989 after-tax loss of $7.2 million, or $.67 per common share.

The company also announced that its board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to $15 million of the company's common stock from time to time in the open market or in private transactions subject to market conditions and other relevant factors. There are approximately 10.3 million shares of the company's common stock currently outstanding. The company has appointed The First Boston Corporation as its authorized agent for this program.

Kollmorgen Corporation has continuing operations in two business segments: special purpose servo motors and controls and electro-optical instruments.

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#90304p1732 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Landor Associates, the leading international identity management consulting firm, has named Ned Brown managing director of Landor's New York operation, which recently moved to 230 Park Ave. South.

As managing director of Landor's New York operation, Brown will be responsible for more than 50 marketing, design and support personnel.

"Ned Brown's experience in senior new business and client services positions with Young & Rubicam adds to an already terrific organization. We have high growth expectations for New York over the next few years, and we intend to invest the necessary resources," said Don Casey, president and CEO of Landor Associates.

Prior to joining Young & Rubicam in 1986, Brown held senior marketing positions with Doyle Dane Bernbach, Kenyon & Eckhardt and the Ford Motor Company.

Founded nearly 50 years ago, Landor Associates helps its clients to understand and use the power of their corporate and consumer brands. Through its network of offices in 15 countries, Landor provides corporate identity, brand identity/packaging, retail identity, research and consulting services to some of the world's best known companies, such as Coca-Cola, Hyatt, IBM, Northwest Airlines, Philip Morris, Mercedes-Benz and McDonald's.

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#90304p1733 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Maxus Energy Corporation (NYSE: MXS) reported third quarter net income of $4.1 million, or after preferred dividends, a loss of 6 cents per common share, compared with a loss of $20.0 million, or 35 cents per common share, in the third quarter of 1989.

"The positive net income this quarter is primarily attributable to higher crude oil prices," said C.L. Blackburn, chairman and chief executive officer.

Sales for the recent three months of 1990 were $173.8 million compared to $147.1 million in the same quarter a year ago. Discretionary cash flow was $59.8 million this quarter compared to $31.6 million in the third quarter last year.

Results for the nine months were a net loss of $8.8 million, or after preferred dividends, a loss of 45 cents per common share, compared to a loss of $27.0 million, or 69 cents per common share, during the same period in 1989. Last year's results benefited from the sale of the company's Canadian subsidiary.

Nine-month sales were $474.6 million in 1990 compared to $442.8 million in 1989. Year-to-date discretionary cash flow was $159.3 million compared to $107.9 million in the first nine months of 1989. The 1990 nine-month discretionary cash flow has already exceeded full- year 1989 discretionary cash flow of $148.2 million.

Commenting on third quarter operations, Blackburn said: "Worldwide crude oil and liquids production was 56,900 barrels per day (bpd) compared to 58,800 bpd in the third quarter of 1989. The average worldwide oil price received was $21.08 per barrel versus the 1989 third quarter price of $16.92 per barrel.

"Maxus' share of total Indonesian crude oil and liquids production was 46,500 bpd compared to 48,500 bpd in the third quarter of 1989. Production from Southeast Sumatra, where the Intan-A and B platforms are now producing, was 28,800 bpd compared to 20,600 bpd in last year's third quarter. Production in Northwest Java was lower than a year ago because of the sale of a partial interest late last year.

"U.S. natural gas production was 252 million cubic feet per day (mmcfpd) compared to 248 mmcfpd reported in last year's third quarter. The average gas price received in the U.S. was $1.72 per thousand cubic feet (mcf) compared to $1.64 per mcf a year ago."

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#90304p1734 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA ANA, CA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Tracor Flight Systems, Inc., has been awarded a $1.7 million contract with options totaling approximately $8.6 million from the U.S. Air Force Tactical Air Command (TAC) for the operation and maintenance of a dart tow system. Tracor Flight Systems will provide aircraft, pilots, crews, and maintenance to perform simultaneous aerial gunnery target-tow services at up to three TAC locations in the continental United States.

Donald L. Fagan, president of Tracor Flight Systems, said, "This contract reinforces Tracor Flight Systems' position as the world's premier high-performance gunnery target contractor."

As the incumbent contractor, Tracor Flight Systems will continue to base the program's operations at Holloman Air Force Base, N.M.

Tracor Flight Systems, a subsidiary of Tracor, owns and operates one of the largest fleets of high-performance jet aircraft in the world and provides comprehensive testing, aircraft modification, and special services for a broad range of government and commercial customers.

Tracor, owned by privately held Westmark Systems, Inc., is an international technological products and services company with headquarters in Austin, Texas. The company is a significant engineering and support contractor in sonar, communications, and aviation; a leader in the development and production of electronic countermeasures systems and other advanced defense electronics; and a major manufacturer of electrical components.

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#90304p1735 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The Sportsman's Guide, Inc., a Minneapolis-based retail catalog company today reported a third quarter profit of $1,694 on sales of $5,585,016 compared to a loss of $388,724 on sales of $1,625,556 for the third quarter 1989.

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#90304p1736 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

RIVIERA BEACH, FLA. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Consulier Engineering, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSLR) (the "company") (formerly Consulier Industries, Inc.) of

Riviera Beach, Fla., announced net income of $122,818 ($.00 per share) for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, which compares to a net loss of $446,829, or $.02 per share, for the same 1989 quarter. Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $320,914, compared to revenues of $307,577 in the 1989 quarter. Results of operations for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, showed a net loss of $450,137 or $.02 per share as compared to a net loss of $1,638,771 or $.06 per share in the same nine month period in 1989. Revenues for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $937,378 compared to $494,022 in the 1989 period.

The company pointed out that with respect to the reported quarterly profits and losses, the 1989 period included the results of its automobile business which was sold on March 31, 1990. The results of operations for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 do not reflect any automobile business activity. Additionally, the company noted that continuing operations for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 showed a net profit of $239,422.

Consulier Engineering, Inc.'s common stock and warrants trade on the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbols CSLR and CSLRW, respectively.

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#90304p1739 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA ANA, CALIF. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Tracor Flight Systems, Inc. has been awarded a $1.1 million contract with four option years totaling $5.5 million by the U.S. Naval Supply Center Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) for subsonic and supersonic flight services.

Under the contract, Tracor Flight Systems will provide a minimum of two F-4 aircraft, pilots, crew, and maintenance to support the training of crews and testing of equipment on board Naval combatant ships.

To assist NAVSEA in presenting threat-representative targets for the tests, Tracor Flight Systems will provide launching services of AQM-37 series high/fast training targets. These targets are launched at a speed of Mach 1.5 at 50,000 feet altitude.

In addition, Tracor Flight Systems will provide supersonic target scenario rehearsals and perform manned aircraft raids to fulfill NAVSEA's testing and training objectives.

Tracor Flight Systems, a subsidiary of Tracor, owns and operates one of the largest fleets of high-performance jet aircraft in the world and provides comprehensive testing, aircraft modification, and special services for a broad range of government and commercial customers.

Tracor, owned by privately held Westmark Systems, Inc., is an international technological products and services company with headquarters in Austin, Texas. The company is a significant engineering and support contractor in sonar, communications, and aviation; a leader in the development and production of electronic countermeasures systems and other advanced defense electronics; and a major manufacturer of electrical components.

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#90304p1751 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - McGraw-Hill, Inc. (NYSE: MHP) today declared the following regular dividends:

On the $1.20 convertible preference stock a quarterly dividend of thirty cents per share payable Dec. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 28, 1990.

On the common stock of the company a quarterly dividend of fifty four cents per share payable Dec. 12, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 28, 1990.

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#90304p1753 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - TPI Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: TPIE) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Maxcell Telecom Plus, Inc., has completed the previously announced sale of its FCC construction permit to build a cellular telephone system in the Tennessee Lake-1 Rural Statistical Area to ALLTEL Mobile Communications, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of ALLTEL Corporation (NYSE: AT).

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ATLANTA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific-Atlanta Inc. (NYSE: SFA) today announced a back-up system for its SkylinX.25(TM) (Very Small Aperture Terminal) network that can quickly re-establish communications in case of equipment downtime, satellite outage or climatic interruptions.

Called RESTORE(TM), the system enables Scientific-Atlanta's VSAT networks to recognize, initiate and automatically switch over to a terrestrial dial-up network to maintain communications in the event of a loss of the satellite link or failure of the VSAT transmission equipment. The switchover takes place automatically in a matter of seconds without any human intervention.

In the event of a loss of remote satellite communications, the RESTORE system automatically signals a modem which in turn dials a previously stored telephone number. Modems as the network's hub "answer" the calls and are connected to host ports on the hub's packet switch or to a concentrator with a high-speed connection to the hub switch.

Switchover of the system to dial restoral occurs automatically due to the addressing capability associated with the LAPB protocol in the X.25 environment, a feature unique to the SkylinX.25 network. Once the X.25 connection is restored over the telephone lines (at a rate up to 19.2 kbps) all four user ports and the remote (supporting multiple protocols) can re-establish communications through a single dial connection. This is also made possible because of the switched architecture of the SkylinX.25 product line.

Scientific-Atlanta's new RESTORE system uniquely enables dialing back to the hub's packet switch which is relatively inexpensive and recovers the communication link transparently to the host, FEP and host computer operations.

The system can be installed on existing sites as well as new VSAT installations. It can also be implemented for a single site, any subset of sites, or the entire network. Normally 100 percent of the network's remote sites do not require back up. Therefore, the remote site modems can share a pool of answering modems at the hub. A typical number of shared modems is 5 percent of the total number of remotes in a user's network.

Scientific-Atlanta Inc. is a leader in cable television electronics and satellite-based communications networks and is a key supplier of electronic instrumentation for industrial, telecommunications and government applications worldwide.

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GREENVILLE, S.C. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - National microcomputer distributor Gates/FA Distributing (NASDAQ: FACO) has signed a distribution agreement with National Semiconductor of Santa Clara, Calif.

Under the terms of the agreement, Gates/FA will distribute the complete line of products by National Semiconductor's Computer Enhancement Group to resellers nationwide.

With its combined QUADRAM, Macintosh enhancement, and XICOM gateway products, National provides one of the industry's broadest selections of PC- and

Mac-compatible products, and has over one million products installed.

Connectivity products are central to National Semiconductor's Computer Enhancement Group, and include the MainLink family of micro-to- mainframe 3270 emulation boards, PC EtherNODE local area networking boards for PC and Macintosh computers, and LAN MicroNode gateway products.

Phil Ellett, executive vice president of Gates/FA, believes that National Semiconductor will sustain high visibility in the marketplace. According to Ellett, "As the world's largest manufacturer of chip sets, National has established a solid reputation for being technology innovators. They are continually carving out new ground, as they will again do next January when they add to their line the new twisted pair PC/Mac EtherNODE product."

Nick Roche, vice president of sales for National Semiconductor's Computer Enhancement Group, is pleased to have Gates/FA reselling the line. "We're really excited about Gates/FA. Because of its strong reputation in the connectivity marketplace, Gates/FA is a key distributor in the United States with major importance to National. This is a very strategic move for us," said Roche.

Gates/FA Distributing is a national distributor of a select number of high-quality microcomputer product lines. Serving only the reseller, Gates/FA offers "Next Day/No Extra Cost!" delivery from its centralized-hub warehousing facility. The corporate headquarters are located in Greenville, S.C. at 803-234-0736. The national toll-free sales telephone number is 800-332-2222.

CONTACT: Phil Ellett of Gates/FA Distributing, 803-234-0736; or Nancy Comstock of Comstock Communications, 415-799-7711 for Gates/FA Distributing

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#90304p1758 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

SIMI VALLEY, CALIF. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Datron Systems Incorporated (NASDAQ: DTSI) today reported a loss for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $277,000 or 10 cents per share on sales of $15,769,000 compared with net income of $1,023,000 of 36 cents per share on sales of $10,632,000 for the second quarter last year.

The second quarter results include a nonrecurring pretax charge of $1,500,000 for estimated losses on the company's contract for Threat Emitter Systems which was canceled by the company's customer in late October 1990 for failure to deliver within the time specified under the contract. The failure to deliver was due to a subcontractor's inability to deliver a significant component of the contract. The company has filed a legal action against the subcontractor seeking to recover damages for breach of contract.

The company also announced its receipt in October 1990 of a Subpoena from the

Office of the Inspector General for the production of documents in connection with a Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA) audit of a U.S. Navy contract for WSC-1 antennas completed in 1989. The company has been informed that the DCAA has submitted a report to the contracting officer citing deficiencies in the information provided to the government at the time the contract was negotiated and recommending a reduction in the contract value of $2.7 million. The company is confident that its actions have been appropriate at all times. The company believes that the conclusions in the DCAA report are erroneous; the company intends to challenge the report and its conclusions vigorously. Due to extensive administrative proceedings, the company does not expect early resolution of this matter.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 the company reported a loss of $107,000 or 4 cents per share on sales of $24,160,000 compared with net income of $1,889,000 or 63 cents per share on sales of $21,227,000 for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The company reported that new orders for the quarter were approximately $15 million and all three operations, excluding the nonrecurring charge referred to above, were profitable in the quarter.

Datron Systems Incorporated is a leading designer/manufacturer of specialized communications systems and high-quality radio products.

CONTACT: Thomas V. Baker, chief financial officer of Datron Systems, 805-584-1717; or Douglas Sherk or Maria Quillard, 415-296-7383, or David Walke 212-986-5900, all of Morgen-Walke Assoc., for Datron

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#90304p1760 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Tescorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: TESC) today reported net income for its second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $323,000, or $0.03 per share, compared with a net loss of $144,000, or $0.02 per share, for the corresponding period last year. Revenues this quarter were $5,867,000, about 28 percent higher than the second quarter of last year. In September 1990, Tescorp declared a regular quarterly dividend of $0.125 per share paid Oct. 11 1990 on its Series 1990 convertible preferred stock.

According to C. Robert Bunch, president and chief executive officer of Tescorp the positive results in the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 are attributable to improved performance by the company's geophysical products segment compared with last year.

Tescorp, Inc. is an oil service company engaged in the manufacture and sale of geophysical products, and the manufacture and distribution of various oil and gas production products.

In addition to its common stock Tescorp's Series 1990 preferred stock (NASDAQ: TESCP) and 1993 warrants (NASDAQ: TESCW) are listed for trading.

TESCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Unaudited Results of Operations
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

For the Periods Ended Sept. 30;	Three Months 1989	Three Months 1990	Six Months 1989	Six Months 1990
Revenues	$4,576	$5,867	$9,672	$12,033
Income (loss) before provision for federal income taxes	(145)	338	(7)	728
Net income	$ (144)	$ 323	$ (8)	$ 705
Dividends declared on preferred stock		$ 88		$ 88
Primary earnings per common share	$(0.02)	$ 0.03	$ 0.00	$ 0.08
Common shares outstanding(A)	7,319	7,319	7,319	7,319

(A) -- Restated to reflect the recapitalization and share distribution effective July 11, 1990.

CONTACT: C. Robert Bunch, president of Tescorp, 713-462-0867/ (TESC) CO: Tescorp, Inc. ST: Texas IN: OIL SU: ERN

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#90304p1761 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Houghton Mifflin Company (NYSE: HTN) announced today that it increased the quarterly dividend 5.7 percent and will resume an earlier stock buyback program.

The 1 cent dividend increase will raise the quarterly dividend from $.175 to $.185 per share and the annual dividend to 74 cents. The quarterly dividend will be payable on Nov. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 14, 1990.

The company is authorized to purchase up to 500,000 shares of its common stock dependent upon market conditions and other factors. This represents the continuation of a stock buyback program that was initiated in 1987.

Houghton Mifflin is a leading publisher of textbooks, software, and other educational products for the elementary and high school and college markets, as well as an extensive line of dictionaries, business software, and fiction and nonfiction books for adult and young readers.

CONTACT: James E. Evans, vice president, financial administration, of Houghton Mifflin, 617-725-5122

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#90304p1765 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) today entered into a consent agreement with the Alpha Chemical and Plastics Corporation, of Newark, N.J., to settle a complaint issued for violations of Section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA). The company was cited for not filing Toxic Release Inventory forms for 1987. EPA will collect $29,400 in penalties.

"The Toxic Release Inventory is designed to give citizens a better understanding of the kinds of chemicals being released into their community," said Constantine Sidamon-Eristoff, EPA's regional administrator.

"The failure of Alpha Chemical to report its emissions violated the intent of the act and undermined EPA's ability to use this data in its environmental protection efforts."

For fiscal year 1990, EPA issued 30 complaints against firms for not filing Toxic Release Inventory forms. Since the program's inception in 1988, 72 complaints have been issued and $431,830 collected in fines.

The Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act, also known as Title III, was passed in 1986 as part of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA). The law encourages and supports emergency planning for responding to chemical accidents and provides local governments and the public with information about chemicals in their community.

Under Section 313, facilities with ten or more employees that manufacture, process or use more than "threshold" amounts of certain chemicals are required to report their chemical emissions into the environment to EPA and their states.

CONTACT: Melissa Margetts Jaeger of United States Environmental Protection Agency, (212) 264-2515.

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#90304p1774 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN DIEGO (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Chris Burr has joined Bank of Southern California (OTC "Pink Sheets") as assistant vice president/commercial lending officer, announced President and Chief Executive Officer Ronald P. Bird on behalf of the bank's board of directors. Bird added that Burr's association with the bank became effective Oct. 1, 1990, and that he will be assigned to the bank's downtown office located at 1620 Fifth Ave.

Burr's primary focus is to develop and maintain a relationship-based commercial lending portfolio. Prior to joining Bank of Southern California,

Burr was branch manager of La Jolla Bank & Trust's Del Mar office. He is a 1982 graduate of University of California at Los Angeles where he earned a degree in sociology and helped see the university's badminton team become the 1982 intercollegiate national champions.

Bank of Southern California operates three conveniently located branches including escrow services at all locations, Downtown at 1620 Fifth Ave.; Midway/Rosecrans at 3026 Midway Drive; and Point Loma at 1004 Rosecrans St. Bank of Southern California is committed to providing the highest quality and most innovative financial products and servicing to San Diego County.

CONTACT: Ronald P. Bird, president and CEO of Bank of Southern California, 619-239-7337

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#90304p1775 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DURHAM, N.C. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Harrier, Inc. (NASDAQ: HARE), announced today that the organ preservation experiments conducted at a major U.S. medical center demonstrated that a living animal heart could be successfully supported outside the body in an Oxywater solution.

Oxywater is a product developed by Harrier, Inc., consisting of water with a significantly greater amount of oxygen than is found in its natural state. Patent applications are pending in the United States and in other countries.

The team of scientists conducting the study concluded: "Currently, there is no commercially available oxygenated cardioplegia that can be continuously perfused to meet metabolic demands of the arrested heart. Experiments determining the ability of an Oxywater-based cardioplegia to maintain adequate tissue oxygenation in the hypothermic, continuously perfused, arrested heart are (therefore) exciting."

The company believes that Oxywater may have application in cardiac surgery as well as in preserving organs intended for transplantation. Ongoing studies at the medical center seek to determine Oxywater's clinical usefulness as an effective substitute for current medical practices.

Harrier, Inc., specializes in developing unique products in the healthcare and environmental fields.

CONTACT: Beth A. Hollister, R.N., medical research coordinator of Harrier, 919-493-8112

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#90304p1779 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Zapata Corporation (NYSE: ZOS) has completed

the previously announced sale of its offshore drilling rig fleet and related assets to Arethusa (Offshore) Limited for $298 million, Zapata Chairman and Chief Executive Officer R. C. Lassiter said today.

Lassiter said that under the terms of the sale Zapata has purchased an 8.75 percent interest in Arethusa, a newly formed Bermuda company, and will continue to manage the 12 rigs under a management contract.

"With the sale of the rig fleet, Zapata is well on its way toward completing the comprehensive restructuring outlined at the company's annual stockholders meeting earlier this year," he said.

At the June 26 stockholders meeting, Zapata announced a three-part debt restructuring program that called for the sale of its offshore rig fleet, with most of the proceeds plus an additional issue of stock being used to reduce the company's debt to a manageable level. Zapata's approximately $560 million in bank debt is to be reduced to $115 million with the banks receiving $160 million in cash and 94.5 million shares of common stock to increase their ownership to approximately 80 percent of the company.

The third part of the restructuring plan consists of tender offers for Zapata's 10-1/4 percent and 10-7/8 percent subordinated debentures, which total approximately $78 million. The cash offers, which have not yet been commenced, will offer $480 for each $1,000 debenture tendered.

"The successful completion of the restructuring program depends upon the tender offers being successful and approval of the overall plan by the company's stockholders," Lassiter said. "With the restructuring done, Zapata will be able to concentrate on improving the financial performance of its remaining businesses."

Zapata Corporation is a Houston-based company that conducts commercial menhaden fishing operations that produce fish meal and edible oil, produces oil and natural gas, and manages a fleet of offshore drilling rigs. Zapata is also the largest shareholder in Zapata Gulf Marine Corporation, the world's leading operator of marine service vessels.

CONTACT: Barney White of Zapata, 713-226-6240.

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#90304p1781 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

FINDLAY, OH (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - OHM Corporation (NYSE: OHM) today announced that it is pursuing various strategic alternatives to enhance the value to OHM of its analytical services business.

The company has been involved in discussions with several interested parties and will continue to explore all viable alternatives consistent with its

interests. The company's analytical services business generates approximately $24,000,000 in annual revenues and has been profitable during the past four quarters.

OHM Corporation is a leading nationwide environmental services company with 35 locations across the United States and in Canada. The company provides a full range of environmental assessment, analytical, data management, engineering, design, remediation and waste treatment services to a broad base of industrial and government clients on both a planned and emergency basis.

CONTACT: Cheryl Rectorschek, 419-424-4929 (media); or Gene J. Ostrow, 419-424-4924 or Pamela K.M. Beall, 419-425-6002 (financial); all of OHM Corporation

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#90304p1782 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Uno Restaurant Corporation (AMEX: UNO) today announced that revenue rose 39 percent to $15.8 million for the fourth quarter. Revenue results reflected steady sales at established restaurants, increased royalties from franchised restaurants and the opening of nine new company units during fiscal 1990. For the year, revenue increased to $54.7 million, up 35 percent from fiscal 1989. The company expects that earnings for the quarter and for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 will meet analysts' expectations. The consensus earnings estimate of analysts is currently 14 cents per share for the fourth quarter, ranging from 13 cents to 15 cents per share. For the corresponding period last year, earnings were 11 cents per share. The final report of earnings is expected to be announced by the company on Nov. 14.

Uno Restaurant Corporation operates and franchises a chain of casual dining, full-service restaurants under the name "Pizzeria Uno Restaurant & Bar." The restaurants feature gourmet, Chicago-style deep dish pizza and a variety of entrees, sandwiches, appetizers, salads, desserts and beverages. It currently owns and operates 34 Pizzeria Uno restaurants (three of which have opened since the end of the fiscal year) in Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Maryland, Missouri and Washington, D.C., and has 47 franchised restaurants in 16 states.

CONTACT: Bob Brown, chief financial officer of UNO Restaurant Corporation, 617-323-9200, ext. 221

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#90304p1783 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Paramount Communications Inc. (NYSE: PCI) today announced the promotion of Alan Cole-Ford to the newly created position of vice president, corporate development. Cole-Ford had been senior vice

president, business development, for the Television Group of Paramount Pictures.

In his new position, Cole-Ford will be active in exploring new business opportunities with particular emphasis on new entertainment, information and distribution technologies across all of PCI's entertainment and publishing interests, including Paramount Pictures, Simon & Schuster and Madison Square Garden. In addition he will supervise the company's investor relations activities. He will report to Ronald L. Nelson, executive vice president and chief financial officer. James Parent, vice president, is leaving to pursue other interests.

Martin S. Davis, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Alan's impressive business skills, coupled with his broad knowledge of our operations will be a great asset to Paramount Communications as we seek business opportunities for the future. We are grateful to Jim Parent for his contribution to the company and we wish him success in his future endeavors."

Cole-Ford, 44, became vice president, video distribution for Paramount's Video Division in 1985 and has served in his most recent position since 1988. Prior to joining Paramount, Cole-Ford was an industry analyst at Paul Kagan & Associates specializing in motion picture finance and pay television. Before that, he was the managing director of the Barrett, Cooper, Cole-Ford and Ragan advertising agency, and earlier served as a market research analyst at CBS.

CONTACT: Nicholas J. Ashooh of Paramount Communications, 212-373-8725

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#90304p1785 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Cambrex Corporation (NASDAQ: CBAM), announced today that its common shares have been approved for listing on the American Stock Exchange. Trading is expected to begin in early November pending approval by the Securities and Exchange Commission. The ticker symbol will be CBM. The company's shares currently trade in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CBAM.

Cyril C. Baldwin, Jr., chief executive officer of Cambrex, said "We believe our listing on the American Stock Exchange will provide our shareholders with the benefits of greater liquidity and visibility as a result of the auction environment that this major securities exchange employs."

Cambrex Corporation manufactures a broad line of specialty chemicals, fine chemicals and commodity chemical intermediates. The chemical families of castor oil, pyridine, organometallics, succinic anhydrides, organobromines and ammonia reaction chemistry are used by the company to produce compounds for its five product categories: Urethane Systems and Additives, Coatings, Health and Cosmetic Products, Agricultural Chemical Intermediates, and Specialty and

Fine Chemicals.

CONTACT: John P. Lynch, senior vice president - chief financial officer of Cambrex, 201-804-3010

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#90304p1786 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Aaron Rents Inc. (NASDAQ: ARON), the nation's largest furniture rental and sales company, has authorized the company to repurchase up to 400,000 additional shares of Aaron Rents common stock.

The company during the past three-and-one-half years has repurchased 1,050,000 shares of its common stock with 255,000 of those shares acquired within the past four months. The authorization for repurchasing 400,000 additional shares is effective immediately. The company currently has 4,318,397 shares of common stock outstanding.

"The directors feel that repurchasing shares is an excellent investment opportunity for the company as the current share market price is significantly below book value," said R. Charles Loudermilk Sr., chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Aaron Rents.

Aaron Rents Inc., based in Atlanta, operates 163 stores in 50 metropolitan areas of 28 states for the sale and rental of residential and office furniture. The company produces furniture at five plants in Georgia and Florida.

CONTACT: Gilbert L. Danielson of Aaron Rents, 404-231-0011

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#90304p1790 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, FL (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The Goldfield Corporation (AMEX: GV) announced today that it has acquired a 50 percent interest in a 12,000 acre gold project in Hidalgo County, New Mexico. The property encompasses most of the Lordsburg Mining District including the Banner and 85 mines which had historic production of approximately 3 million tons averaging 3 percent copper and 0.1 ounces of gold per ton. A joint venture, The Lordsburg Mining Company, has been formed between a new Goldfield subsidiary, Goldfield-Hidalgo Inc., which will manage the project, and Federal Resources Corporation, a previous operator.

Production by the joint venture commenced in March 1990 from existing stockpiles and a portion of the reserve estimated to contain 85,000 tons averaging 0.53 percent copper, 1.47 ounces per ton of silver, and 0.118 ounces per ton of gold. The initial mining was from an open pit, but underground

development for rubber-tired access has commenced. It is anticipated that a production rate of 90,000 tons per year will be sold directly to nearby copper smelters as gold bearing siliceous smelter flux.

The property includes various underlying leasehold interests and patented and unpatented mining claims and support facilities which are owned by The Lordsburg Mining Company. The joint venture agreement provides for recovery of pre-production and operating expenses by Goldfield-Hidalgo, Inc., from sales revenue and an equal split of net proceeds thereafter with Federal Resources.

John Sottile, president of Goldfield, notes that the new venture should expand the company's market area for siliceous flux products and increase gold sales. Goldfield also produces copper, silver, gold and zinc from other mining properties, receives royalties from gold and coal production, and is engaged in electrical construction in Florida.

CONTACT: John H. Sottile, president of The Goldfield Corporation, 407-724-1700

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#90304p1792 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLAKESLEE, PA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Blue Ridge Real Estate Co. and Big Boulder Corp. announced today that it will extend its offer to purchase shares of Blue Ridge/Big Boulder common stock from its shareholders who owned an aggregate of 50 or fewer unit certificates at the close of business on Aug. 3, 1990.

The offer has been extended from Oct. 3 to Dec. 31, 1990. Robert J. Sule, president and chief executive officer of Blue Ridge/Big Boulder said the offer was initially made to shareholders on Aug. 20 because the companies "are aware of the expenses and inconveniences when selling small holdings. Brokerage commissions often absorb a disproportionate percentage of the proceeds of such sales." Sule also said the Blue Ridge/Big Boulder's purchase program "provides that no brokerage commission or other expenses will be deducted from the sale proceeds. There is no requirement to open a brokerage account as all the mechanics of the sale are accomplished by a letter of transmittal created by the companies' transfer agent, Joel Harpel at First Valley Bank in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, who should be contacted for more details."

Gary A. Smith, chief financial officer of Blue Ridge/Big Boulder added that the companies "value all of our shareholders but the companies are conscious of the relatively high cost to Blue Ridge/ Big Boulder of servicing its smaller shareholder accounts, including transfer agent and registrar fees, printing, postage and other related costs. The purchase program is expected to provide substantial cost savings for Blue Ridge/Big Boulder."

The price Blue Ridge/Big Boulder will pay for each combined unit certificate

representing one share of Blue Ridge common stock and one share of Big Boulder common stock it purchases will be $13.

CONTACT: Joel G. Harpel of First Valley Bank, 800-222-8561, ext. 8459.

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#90304p1793 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Columbia Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: COB) today reported a significant increase in revenues to $4,507,841 for the third quarter, compared with revenues of $1,861,969 in the similar 1989 period. Third quarter sales of Replens(R), the company's innovative product introduced in the first quarter 1990 for the treatment of post-menopausal vaginal dryness climbed to $2,690,188, up 47 percent over the prior 1990 quarter.

"The rapid growth of Replens in the United States is extremely gratifying," said Norman M. Meier, Columbia president and chief executive officer. "We see three major factors driving this success: strong recommendations of the product by gynecologists; prominent placement of the product in the feminine hygiene section of more than 42,000 drugstores across the country; and, of course, the fact that Replens provides the only effective non-hormonal solution to a chronic women's health care problem," Meier said.

Meier noted that the company's plans for international marketing of Replens advanced during the third quarter. "We officially introduced Replens to British consumers in September, and we'll soon be distributing the product to pharmacies in England. Currently, we have gained regulatory approval to market Replens in 14 European countries, and we are now making plans to launch Replens on a country-by-country basis," he said. "The European market for Replens is almost double the size of the U.S. market."

Sales of Columbia's traditional OTC products, including Legatrin(R) and Diasorb(R), also increased during the third quarter 1990 over the comparable quarter last year. "These products continue to generate cash to support operations and the development of new products," Meier added.

A net loss of $3,152,627 or 31 cents per share, was reported for the quarter, compared with a net loss of $1,402,947 or 15 cents per share, in the third quarter 1989. Third quarter 1990 results reflect an increase in expenses relating to the U.S. launch of Replens, as well as start-up expenses from Columbia's European operations.

Cash and cash equivalents as of Sept. 30, 1990 were $708,529, compared with $419,140 at June 30, 1990.

Columbia Laboratories, Inc. is a U.S.-based international pharmaceutical company, established in 1987, dedicated primarily to developing and marketing women's health care products based on its patented bioadhesive drug delivery

system. The company's first proprietary product, Replens, is a vaginal moisturizer introduced to U.S. consumers during the first quarter 1990.

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#90304p1795 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEICESTER, N.Y. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - CPAC, Inc. (NASDAQ: CPAK), a manufacturer of chemicals and pollution control equipment for the imaging industry, today announced that the company had repurchased a 50,000 share block of its stock at 5-1/8 in the public market.

Thomas N. Hendrickson, chief executive officer of the corporation, said that a stock repurchase at the present trading price was an opportunity the company could not pass up. "Considering our recent six- month earnings announcement of $0.35 per share, and the company's present quarterly dividend schedule of $0.06 per share, the board of directors agreed that a stock repurchase would be in the best interest of CPAC shareholders," Hendrickson stated.

CONTACT: Wendy F. Clay of CPAC, 716-382-3223

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#90304p1796 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHARDSON, TEXAS (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Rubicon Corporation (NASDAQ: RBCN) today reported earnings before extraordinary items increased 345 percent to $129,000 for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990. Operating income increased to 15 percent of revenue for the period from seven percent during the same period last year. Net earnings were $196,000, or $.04 per share, on revenue of $1,513,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues for the quarter increased by $502,000, or 50 percent from the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. The results for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 included a $67,000 extraordinary item relating to the utilization of net operating loss carryforward.

Reflecting the continued profitability and cash flow positive operations, the company's shareholders equity increased by 17 percent in the quarter. Gary K. Freedman, chairman and chief executive officer said, "We are pleased with the continued profitability of the company. The progress of the last five quarters has enabled us to begin to reinvest in the business using internally sourced funds. This reinvestment, which began this quarter, will position us for continued future controlled growth."

Rubicon's intRlab(R) laboratory systems products operate on Digital Equipment Corporation's PDP and VAX computers and use Digital Standard MUMPS language to

provide highly stable, maintainable turnkey solutions.

Rubicon is a 15-year-old Richardson, Texas based developer of computerized laboratory information management systems for independent laboratories, hospitals and health maintenance organizations.

CONTACT: Alan Bowman, vice president and CFO of Rubicon Corporation, 214-231-6591

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#90304p1809 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Dominion Textile announced today a net loss of $15.4 million, or $0.55 per share, for the first three months of fiscal 1991, ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $4.7 million, or $0.12 per share, for the same period last year.

Consolidated sales in the quarter totalled $299.4 million, compared to $348.2 million in the corresponding period last year. Last year's first quarter included sales of $39.6 million by the bed fashion unit which was sold and the engineered fabrics business which was joint ventured.

Charles H. Hantho, president and chief executive officer, said these results reflect the continued pressure of weaker demand for many of the company's products, particularly in North America. The combination of reduced volume, competitive pricing and continuing high cotton costs are having a major impact on operating margins.

"The continuing softening of the North American retail business is having a direct impact on volume and pricing of our denim, yarn and apparel fabrics sales," said Hantho. "Retailers are dealing with weak consumer spending by lowering their inventories and delaying orders."

The corporation's North American industrial products businesses are being affected by weaknesses in the housing, home furnishings and automotive industries. However, Dominion Textile is reporting higher sales and increased margins for nonwoven fabrics in the U.S.

In Europe, results for Dominion Textile's Klopman Group are being impacted by weaker market conditions. On the other hand, the other European-based businesses in technical fabrics and denim began the new year with strong sales and profits.

Hantho said ongoing efforts are being implemented to reduce overheads, improve margins and increase efficiencies throughout the company. In addition, the board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 7 cents per share, compared with 15 cents per share in the preceding quarter. The dividend is payable on Jan. 11, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 11, 1990.

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MONTREAL (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Dominion Textile (Montreal: DTX) announced at its annual meeting today that, effective Nov. 8, shareholders may purchase shares of the corporation for the balance of the 1990 calendar year through optional cash payments under its dividend reinvestment and share purchase plan.

The maximum amount of optional cash payments under the plan is $4,000 per calendar quarter. The remaining 1990 investment dates are Nov. 21 and Dec. 21. Shareholders may make one payment of $4,000 or payments each month up to a total of $4,000. Payments received after Dec. 20 will not be accepted and will be returned immediately to shareholders.

For eligible Quebec residents, common shares of Dominion Textile purchased through optional cash payments qualify for inclusion in a Quebec stock savings plan. This entitles shareholders to a deduction in computing taxable income for 1990 Quebec income tax purposes equal to 75 percent of the acquisition cost of the shares.

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#90304p1814 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

KINSTON, NC (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Hampton Industries, Inc. (AMEX: HAI) reported that sales for the thirteen-weeks ended September 29, 1990 were $52,893,000 as compared to $54,204,000 during the same period last year. Net earnings for the period were $1,280,000, or $.33 per share as compared to net earnings of $2,101,000, or $.53 per share last year.

For the thirty-nine weeks ended September 29, 1990, sales were $117,360,000 as compared to $133,951,000 in 1989. The Company had a net loss of $632,000, or $.17 per share for the year to date, as compared to net earnings of $4,423,000 or $1.12 per share during the same period in 1989.

Mr. David Fuchs, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, stated that costs attributable to excess capacity continued to have an adverse effect on profit margins. In an effort to reduce such costs in the future, the Company closed one of its sewing plants effective October 26, 1990. The Company did not incur any special charges in connection with closing. Cost containment programs continue to be the highest priority of the Comapny's managers and their associates.

He also indicated that the Comapny's advance bookings of orders is presently

$66,600,000 as compared to $71,500,000 at this time last year.

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#90304p1821 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DUBLIN, OHIO (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Wendy's International, Inc. (NYSE: WEN) today reported stronger earnings than a year ago for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net income rose 45 percent to $12.7 million or $.13 per share compared to $8.7 million or $.09 per share in the same period of 1989.

Revenues for the quarter were $257.5 million, less than the $269.2 million of a year ago. Wendy's had 74 fewer company-operated restaurants than last year, most of which were sold to franchise owners.

James W. Near, CEO, president and COO, said a comparison of year-to- year quarterly earnings indicates that company operations on all levels have improved substantially in the last 12 months. Restaurant operating margins improved to 12.7 percent from 10.7 percent in the third quarter of 1989.

He attributed the company's higher operating margins to a combination of stronger company operations and across-the-board reductions in operating expenses -- among them lower food costs, a reduction in the use of discount coupons and a continued long-term emphasis on cutting costs throughout the company.

Systemwide sales, or sales of both company and franchise restaurants, were $788 million for the quarter and $2.31 billion for the nine months versus $787 million and $2.30 billion a year ago, respectively.

The company's per share earnings for the first three quarters of 1990 have already exceeded those of the entire last year. Earnings for the first three quarters were $31.5 million or $.33 per share compared to $24.7 million or $.26 per share a year ago and $30.4 million or $.32 for all of 1989. Year-ago earnings included a one-time, nonoperating FASB 96 gain of $5.2 million or $0.05 per share.

Dividend Declared The board of directors approved a quarterly dividend of $.06 per share, payable Nov. 27 to shareholders of record Nov. 12.

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#90304p1822 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ:

LMTS) announced that its first-quarter sales for fiscal 1991 were $11.2 million, as compared to sales of $3.1 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

The company further reported that losses for the first quarter were lower than anticipated. Losses were $392,000 for the first quarter fiscal 1991 compared to $273,000 for the corresponding period in fiscal 1990.

Mel Masters, chief executive officer, stated, "The company had projected substantial losses for the first quarter as a result of regular seasonal fluctuations in our international business and increased expenses associated with increasing our sales organization. In view of world events, expansion and staffing plans were reduced from previously scheduled ramp-up. This, combined with a strong and profitable September, resulted in losses lower than anticipated."

LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets laser printer and display systems and subsystems for high-quality electronic printing and desktop publishing applications. LMT's products include high-performance printer controllers, plain-paper desktop typesetters and integrated electronic publishing systems which feature the company's proprietary TurboRes(tm) resolution enhancement technology. The company has recently announced allowance of certain patent claims protecting its TurboRes resolution enhancement technologies and introduction of additional high-resolution laser printer products based on this technique.

LASERMASTER TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (in thousands except per share)

3 Mos. ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$11,238	$3,083
Net earnings (loss)	(392)	(273)
Earnings (loss) per common share	($.04)	($.03)

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#90304p1824 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DUBLIN, OH (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Wendy's (NYSE: WEN) is serving up a slice of business ownership to more than 5,000 employees through a new stock option plan called WeShare. The program is designed to make employees part owners of the company, encourage retention, and increase productivity.

The WeShare stock option plan gives all eligible full-time corporate and field administrative staff and restaurant employees at the assistant manager level and above the option to purchase stock at a specified price over the next 10 years. The company plans to grant stock options to employees annually, which are in addition to existing compensation and benefit programs.

Although many companies offer stock options for key executives, the Wendy's WeShare program reaches deeper into the organization than most other stock option programs.

"WeShare shows employees they're very important. It's an incentive for them to improve profitability. They directly benefit when the price of Wendy's stock rises, and their extra efforts can help maximize the value of our stock for every shareholder," he added.

Through the WeShare program, employees will be granted options totaling 10 percent of their total cash compensation for the previous calendar year.

This year's options give the employee the right to buy the company's stock at the Aug. 2, 1990 price within the next 10 years. New options are planned to be issued annually, meaning that additional options can be exercised each year as long as the full-time employee remains with the company.

For the program to be effective, employees must understand how it affects them individually. Therefore, Wendy's is making a major effort to explain details of the program through corporate and regional meetings, printed and audiovisual materials, and staff resource personnel.

"We want our people to understand the financial benefits possible in the years to come for themselves and their families so they can take full advantage of WeShare," Near explained. "When our employees are committed to improving productivity, our earnings should grow leading to increased shareholder value."

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#90304p1828 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald L. Foster, 34, has been named general sales and marketing manager of plate and structural products in the USS division of USX Corp. (NYSE: X), the company said today. The appointment was announced by Frank M. Walker, general manager-plate and structural products.

Foster's promotion to the newly created position brings him back to Pittsburgh after serving nearly three years as a USS district manager in the Chicago sales district.

"Foster comes into the structural and plate sales unit with the critical skills needed to guide the marketing effort for this key product line," Walker said. "This solid background in product marketing and line sales will benefit our efforts to assure quality and service to our customers in the key heavy products area," Walker added.

Foster joined USS at the Detroit sales office in 1979, and was named to a management position as inside sales representative there in 1980. Later that year he was promoted to sales representative, covering the Milwaukee territory.

In 1983, Foster moved to the Chicago sales office as a district product manager, and later was named resident manager. He was promoted in 1989 as marketing manager for the USS Fairfield Works in the Pittsburgh sheet product marketing unit.

Foster next was named industry marketing manager, and in 1987 he became manager of hot rolled product marketing. Later that year, he was appointed district sales manager in the Chicago sales office. Foster is a member of the American Institute of Steel Construction.

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#90304p1834 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Following the successful completion of the merger between Willis Faber p.l.c. and Corroon & Black Corporation, the directors of Willis Corroon plc (ADR - NYSE: WCG) have declared an interim dividend of 3.3 pence (net) per share (4.4 pence gross) to be paid on Jan. 3, 1991, to all shareholders registered at the close of business on Dec. 6, 1990.

The intention to declare this dividend, which is in respect of the fourth quarter of 1990, was announced in the documentation sent at the end of August to shareholders of Willis Faber p.l.c. and Corroon & Black Corporation in connection with the merger.

Holders of Willis Corroon ADRs will receive this dividend after it has been converted into U.S. dollars by the Depositary. Payments to such holders who are resident in the United States for tax purposes will include a refund of the associated U.K. tax credit in respect of dividend. The payment will be subject to U.K. withholding tax, equal to 15 percent of the gross dividend, and will be made on Jan. 10, 1991.

Corroon & Black Corporation, now an operating division of Willis Corroon plc, is headquartered in New York City. Corroon & Black is one of the world's largest full-service insurance intermediaries, providing insurance brokerage, risk management services, reinsurance brokerage, and employee benefits, compensation, and actuarial consulting to individuals, local governments, professions, business, and industry. It has offices across the United States and affiliated offices throughout the world. Willis Corroon traces its origins to 1828, with the establishment in London of Henry Willis & Company. Its Corroon & Black division was founded in 1905 in New York City.

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#90304p1843 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHLEHEM, PA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Bethlehem Steel Corporation (NYSE: BS) today released the following:

Bethlehem had net income of $10 million and $53 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 compared to net income of $47 million and $196 million for the same periods in 1989. The decline in results for the third quarter of 1990 compared to the third quarter of 1989 was due to lower steel prices, higher operating costs and lower shipments. Net income for the first nine months of 1989 was reduced by $105 million of unusual charges principally for restructuring and downsizing the operations of our BethForge and Baltimore Marine Divisions.

Segment Results

-- Basic Steel Operations: The Basic Steel Operations segment had income from operations of $27 million and $83 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 compared to $59 million and $342 million for the same periods in 1989.

Results for the third quarter of 1990 compared to the year earlier period were adversely affected by a significant decline in steel prices, particularly for structural products, and to a lesser extent for other products, and by higher operating costs at most of our steel plants. In addition, our Sparrows Point plant incurred higher costs in connection with the planned 25-day outage of its hot strip mill as part of its modernization project and for accelerated coke oven repairs. These costs are expected to continue in the fourth quarter of 1990 and in 1991. An additional outage of the hot strip mill immediately prior to completion of the modernization project is scheduled for the first half of 1991. In the third quarter of last year, we incurred higher costs and lost production resulting from a blast furnace outage and from unauthorized work stoppages at our coal operations in connection with a labor dispute at an unrelated company.

This segment's steel shipments were approximately 6 percent lower in the third quarter of 1990 than in the year earlier period. The decline in shipments was primarily attributable to reduced shipments from our Sparrows Point plant, due in part to blast furnace problems during the first half of the year.

Severe market and competitive pressures continue to affect the Bar, Rod and Wire Division, the Rail Products and Pipe Division and the Structural Products Division. During the third quarter of 1990, Bethlehem announced that it was considering a plan to improve the competitiveness of the Bar, Rod and Wire Division and return it to long- term profitability. The plan includes more

than $100 million in major facility improvements, but is dependent upon obtaining a more competitive agreement on labor costs with the United Steelworkers. In addition to the plan under consideration at the Bar, Rod and Wire Division, Bethlehem is considering a wide range of restructuring alternatives for the Structural Products Division and the Rail Products and Pipe Division which could also result in significant capital expenditures and/or material charges to income.

Dividends

The board of directors today declared dividends of $.10 per share of common stock, $1.25 per share of $5.00 cumulative convertible preferred stock and $.62-1/2 per share of $2.50 cumulative convertible preferred stock, each payable Dec. 10, 1990, to holders of record on Nov. 12, 1990.

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#90304p1844 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALL, NJ (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - New Jersey Natural Gas Company (NJNG) will issue a one-time billing credit of about $40 per residential heating customer sometime during the last calendar quarter of 1990.

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU) today approved the one-time credit to NJNG customers totaling about $14 million. The credit represents the pass-through of a refund the utility has received from its primary natural gas supplier, the Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation.

At the same time, the BPU also approved the continuance of NJNG's existing LGA rate at 6.6 cents per therm through September 1991. NJNG realizes no profit from the LGA, which is simply a pass-through of costs the company pays for natural gas from its pipeline suppliers, plus gross receipts and franchise taxes.

The LGA rate is based on the company's projected gas costs for the 12-month period beginning Oct. 1. It is reviewed each year by the BPU and adjusted if necessary.

"We're pleased that the Texas Eastern refund will allow us to provide a credit to our customers," said NJNG President and Chief Executive Officer Philip H. Reardon. "We are also pleased that our projected gas costs will permit us to maintain our existing LGA rate for the next year. Because of the 12-month leveling effect of the LGA, as well as the company's long-term gas contracts, gas customers are insulated from the dramatic spikes in prices experienced by fuel oil customers each winter."

NJNG serves more than 305,000 customers in virtually all of Monmouth and Ocean counties and parts of Morris and Middlesex counties.

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#90304p1846 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLUE BELL, PA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Unisys (NYSE: UIS) has announced that its Voice Messaging System for residential voice mail has been delivered and made available for service to 1.6 million San Francisco-area residents.

This represents the first major implementation for the enhanced services market of the Unisys Network Applications Platform (NAP), an innovative hardware and software system for the telecommunications industry.

Unisys new voice mail service requires no special equipment to be installed in individual residences. Customers simply use their touch tone phones to dial the Pacific Bell Message Center which uses NAP's high-capacity voice processing system.

NAP's flexibility allows customers to have the convenience of basic call answering, which accepts voice messages when the phone is not answered or when it is busy. The Message Center also offers additional features.

Unisys is the first supplier to provide a high-capability platform for multiple, enhanced services. Since it was introduced in May 1989, NAP has received an enthusiastic response from the telecommunications industry in the United States and international PTTs as telephone companies continue their drive to tap customers' demand for new services.

NAP integrates a digital telecommunications switch and Unisys processors that span small systems to large mainframe power. A comprehensive service creation environment to facilitate the rapid development and deployment of services is provided on the platform. This service creation environment incorporates productivity tools, advanced database languages, including semantic models, voice and administrative systems, and the Unisys Integrated CASE tool, LINC II to develop applications, as well as C, Cobol and other languagues.

The NAP system is capable of handling both residential and business voice mail in the San Francisco area. NAP allows 24 to 4080 circuits to be connected, and up to 210,000 hours of voice to be stored on the platform. This system is capable of retaining more than 200,000 messages.

Unisys announced important extensions to NAP in April 1990, including the ability of users to develop new service applications on UNIX-based platforms, which can be connected to NAP via standard Open System Interconnect (OSI) protocols. This extension allows third party software developers or other vendors to develop applications using a variety of platforms and databases and

then integrate with NAP.

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#90304p1852 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, Okla. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Unit Corp. (NYSE: UNT) reported net income during the third quarter of 1990 of $671,000, 3 cents per share. The third quarter profit enabled the first nine months operations of 1990 to show a net income of $20,000. This compares to a $614,000 net loss for the third quarter of 1989 and a net loss of $1,509,000 for the first nine months of 1989. The profits were due to increased natural gas production and higher average oil and natural gas prices.

The company reported revenues of $15,844,000 for the third quarter of 1990, up 71 percent from $9,282,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $42,427,000, up 54 percent from the first nine months of last year.

Unit reported oil and gas production of 1,023,000 equivalent barrels during the first nine months of 1990, up 34 percent from 1989 production of 765,000 equivalent barrels.

Rig utilization for the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 was 44 percent, up from 38 percent and 37 percent, respectively, for the same periods in 1989.

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	(In Thousands Except Per Share Amounts)			
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$15,844	$ 9,282	$42,427	$27,615
Net Income (Loss)	$ 671	$ (614)	$ 20	$(1,509)
Net Income (Loss) Per Share	$ .03	$ (.03)	$ -	$ (.07)
Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding	20,679	20,645	20,677	20,640

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#90304p1853 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Vestron Inc. (NYSE: VV) today announced that the company had entered into definitive agreements with LIVE Entertainment Inc. (NYSE: LVE) in which LIVE has agreed to acquire substantially all of Vestron's operating assets and liabilities in exchange for a package of LIVE equity securities.

The agreement with LIVE requires a "consensual" pre-negotiated Chapter 11 filing and a confirmed plan of reorganization before the acquisition can be consummated. Vestron expects to commence bankruptcy proceedings to approve the plan of reorganization shortly. Certain key holders of Vestron's $115 million of subordinated debt have entered into agreements to support the acquisition agreement with LIVE and the plan of reorganization.

The agreement with LIVE provides for the payment or the assumption by LIVE of all Vestron royalty obligations and trade creditors in full.

Under the agreement with LIVE the holders of Vestron's subordinated debt will receive LIVE convertible preferred stock with a liquidation value of $21 million, plus the unpaid cash interest payment which was due Sept. 1, 1990. Holders of Vestron's debentures will also be issued contingent rights representing the right to receive future payments in LIVE common stock or cash if net revenues realized by LIVE from the exploitation of Vestron's program rights exceed certain levels. Holders of Vestron's common stock will receive 10 percent of the contingent rights.

The convertible preferred stock to be issued by LIVE is expected to have a liquidation value of $20 per share, a conversion price of between 115 percent and 130 percent of the market price of LIVE common stock when issued, and a dividend rate of between 8 percent and 10 percent per annum.

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#90304p1854 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CALIF. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Delphi Information Systems Inc. today announced that it has named Terance A. Kinninger as the company's new vice president of finance and administration and chief financial officer. Since 1983, Kinninger was vice president and chief financial officer of Integral Systems Inc., a large privately held financial and human resource applications software company located in Walnut Creek, Calif.

Richard Janssen, president and chief executive officer, stated, "Mr. Kinninger possesses a broad range of experience that will be of significant benefit to the company as it grows."

Headquartered in Westlake Village, Delphi is the largest independent developer and marketer of automation systems for insurance agents and brokers in the property and casualty insurance field. The Delphi system provides agency productivity and profitability increases through total agency automation, encompassing integrated functions of policy information, accounting, financial reporting, prospect management and cross selling, claims administration,

management reporting, office administration, integrated rating and electronic interface with insurance carriers.

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#90304p1860 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Home Corp. (NYSE: UH) today announced that its housing operations continued to be modestly profitable for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company's core housing operations have seen improvments in gross margins and a reduction in selling, general and administrative expenses during the third quarter.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $1,587,000, or 4 cents per share, compared to net income of $466,000 or 1 cent per share, for the third quarter of 1989. Total revenues for the quarter were $154,052,000 compared to revenues of $174,130,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company sustained a net loss of $14,007,000, or 31 cents per share, compared to net income of $1,293,000 or 3 cents per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Total revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $455,556,000 compared to revenues of $509,248,000 for the same period last year. The loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 resulted from provisions taken in the second quarter relating to litigation costs, disposition of excess land and housing inventories in markets where the company has reduced its operations and for discontinued operations.

The Sept. 30, 1990 backlog was $204,278,000 compared to the Sept. 30, 1989 backlog of $251,506,000. The average price of homes delivered in the third quarter of 1990 was $129,700 compared to $118,300 last year. Homes delivered during the third quarter of 1990 were 1,236 compared to 1,408 in the third quarter of 1989, which included 127 homes and 52 homes, respectively, delivered by joint ventures in which the company participates. New orders taken in the third quarter of 1990, including new orders by joint ventures, were 842 compared to 1,522 new orders taken during the comparable period last year.

While the company's housing operations and net results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were profitable, revenues, backlog, new orders and deliveries declined from the comparable period last year, mirroring the general downturn in the real estate industry. Consumer confidence, due to the general state of the economy and uncertainty brought about by tighter credit and the conflict in the Middle East, is extremely low as evidenced by an even greater decline in housing sales nationwide since the events in the Middle East in early August. This is coupled with an unprecedented "credit crunch" precipitated by

the savings and loan crisis and significant real estate loan losses on the part of commercial banks, both exacerbated by tighter regulatory scrutiny.

Faced with weakening demand, a reduction in available credit to finance land acquisition and development and a widespread decline in residential land values, the company is reviewing its land holdings and option contracts to purchase land. The company will seek to extend the terms of existing options to purchase land to coincide with the company's projected land usage. If such requests for reduced and extended take downs are not agreed to by option holders, the company would have to decide whether to permit options to expire and write off its investment in the associated option deposits and predevelopment costs. Such write offs would be non-cash charges.

The company's principal financing source has been an unsecured commercial banking agreement which has been renewed annually for 17 years. In connection with the 1990 renewal of the credit agreement, the company agreed to consider a secured agreement if such an agreement provided a longer maturity, increased availability and realistic amortization provisions. Any such secured financing must be carried out in a manner consistent with the terms of the indentures pursuant to which the company's publicly held notes were issued and may require the amendment of certain of those indentures. Pending completion of the restructuring of the existing credit agreement, the company has requested the banks to consent to reschedule the Dec. 15, 1990 amortization payment required under the existing credit agreement. There is no assurance that such consent will be obtained or that the company can negotiate a satisfactory restructuring of the current credit agreement.

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#90304p1864 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Entergy Corp. (NYSE: ETR) today voted to boost the regular quarterly stock dividend by 20 percent, from 25 cents to 30 cents per common share.

This increase marks the second time that the dividend has been raised since payment of a dividend was resumed in 1988. The dividend will be payable Dec. 3 to stockholders of record as of Nov. 16.

Jerry D. Jackson, Entergy's executive vice president of finance and external affairs, stated that while future percentage increases may be smaller, this increase is consistent with the company's objective of implementing on an annual basis dividend increases which will result in reaching a dividend payout ratio that is typical of the electric utility industry.

Authorization to Repurchase Additional Company Stock The board also authorized the expenditure of up to $150 million to repurchase company common stock

through Jan. 31, 1991, depending on market conditions. Any such repurchases depend upon approval from the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) of the company's application last month to repurchase up to 10 percent of its common stock. The request is in addition to existing SEC authorization for stock repurchases of up to 20,458,109 shares.

Of that amount, over 18.8 million shares had been repurchased as of Oct. 30 at a total cost of nearly $371.6 million. These repurchases have reduced the number of shares outstanding to approximately 185.8 million.

Jackson explained that stock repurchases are made from time to time depending upon market conditions and authorization of Entergy's board of directors, and that there is no assurance of the actual amount of purchases that will be made.

Corporate Development Philosophy Described Jackson also briefed the board on the company's corporate development strategy. "While the electric utility business will continue to be the predominate focus of our attention," Jackson said, "we will also seek new opportunities where we are able to apply our core business skills and add value."

Jackson noted that any investments in related businesses would likely draw upon the company's skills in power generation and customer service as well as its strengths in the fuels area. "The areas we have identified for investment are in keeping with our strategy to concentrate on what we know best and do well," Jackson said. "Our strategy also contemplates that the total capital to be invested in related businesses will be small compared with Entergy's investment in utility operations."

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PRINCETON, N.J. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - GE American Communications, Inc. (GE Americom), announced today the signing of an agreement with Telesat Canada that will provide for additional space protection for its customers. Under the terms of the agreement, GE Americom maintains an exclusive option to purchase or lease Telesat Canada's ANIK D2 spacecraft, which it can exercise when ANIK D2 becomes available. GE Americom could use its exclusive option contained in the agreement to purchase capacity for customers on GE Americom's current Satcom fleet of satellites and for its next-generation customers on satellites -- Satcom C-1, C-5 (Aurora II), C-3, and C-4.

Walter Braun, GE Americom senior vice president, stated that GE Americom's agreement with Telesat Canada illustrates GE's commitment to customer service. "GE is committed to being the low risk service provider in the satellite industry. Telesat Canada's ANIK D2 spacecraft has excellent CONUS and Alaska coverage that can improve the transponder protection available to satisfy our

customers. Telesat Canada's ANIK D2 spacecraft also offers the significant advantage of already being in orbit and helps us provide continuous service."

GE Americom, located in Princeton, N.J., operates the Satcom fleet -- 5 C-Band and 2 Ku-Band satellites that service cable television, broadcast radio and television, Alascom Inc., as well as business information and government markets. GE Americom is a subsidiary of General Electric Company (NYSE: GE).

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#90304p1867 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBOROUGH, MA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - New England Critical Care, Incorporated (NASDAQ: NECC) today reported record sales and earnings for the third quarter and the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the quarter were $31,051,000, an increase of 38 percent over the $22,559,000 reported for the same period in the prior year. Net income for the quarter was $3,185,000, a 41 percent increase over the $2,252,000 reported for the comparable period in 1989. Fully diluted income per share was 24 cents for the quarter as compared to 17 cents for the same quarter in 1989.

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $85.5 million, an increase of 52 percent over the $56.1 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for the nine months was $8.4 million, as compared to $5.6 million for the same period in 1989. Fully diluted income per share was 63 cents for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to 45 cents for the comparable period in 1989.

The company also announced its decision to apply for listing of its shares on the New York Stock Exchange. Smith stated, "We believe that listing on the New York Stock Exchange will provide increased liquidity and a more stable trading environment for our shareholders."

Founded in 1981, NECC was one of the first companies to provide infusion therapies such as parenteral nutrition, antibiotic therapy, chemotherapy and pain management therapy to patients in their homes. As a leading provider of these services in the alternate site health care marketplace, NECC today offers more than 18 types of home infusion therapies, with specialized services to specific patient populations including AIDS and pediatrics. New England Critical Care's headquarters are located at 50 Washington St., Westborough, MA 01581. The shares of the company's common stock are traded over-the-counter on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol NECC.

CONTACT: Patrick Smith or Michael Murray of New England Critical Care, Inc., 508-836-3610

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#90304p1868 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON, (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Serv-Tech Inc. (NASDAQ: STEC) reported third quarter 1990 net income of $645,000, an increase of 127 percent compared with $284,000, before extraordinary credits, reported for the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share were 15 cents for the third quarter 1990, more than double fully-taxed earnings per share of 7 cents in the third quarter 1989. Revenues were $9,023,000 in the third quarter 1990, up 42 percent from the $6,350,000 reported last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income increased 103 percent to $2,654,000, or 60 cents per share, compared with net income of $1,309,000, or 38 cents per share, before extraordinary credits, reported for the first three quarters of 1989. Revenues were $30,086,000 for the first nine months of 1990 an increase of 31 percent compared with revenues of $22,918,000 for the 1989 period.

Including extraordinary credits for tax benefits resulting from the utilization of operating loss carryforwards, earnings per share for the three-and nine-month periods ending Sept. 30, 1989, were 11 cents and 58 cents respectively. There are no operating loss carryforwards available in 1990. The company's tax rate was 36 percent for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Richard W. Krajicek, chairman of the board, said that he was extremely pleased with the 1990 third quarter results -- the best third quarter in the company's history. "Increased emphasis by our customers on high quality repairs has increased the scope of our jobs, leading to higher revenues and improved gross margins. Looking ahead, the level of committed work and present bid activity indicate strong demand for the company's services will continue well into 1991."

Following are the unaudited operating results for the three- and nine-month periods ending Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989.

CONTACT: John M. Slack of Serv-Tech Inc., 713-644-9974

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#90304p1869 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEVELAND (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - BP America announced today the results of the first phase of its Project 1990, including the realignment of support functions and the simplification of management structure. The company also announced that it has identified approximately 85 currently filled positions for elimination, but expects many of those employees to be placed elsewhere in the company.

"We've made excellent progress in making BP more productive and more

competitive," said James H. Ross, BP America's president and chief executive officer. "But with this structural change, we've only just begun the larger task of changing relationships throughout the company and the way we manage and behave. I believe the future is going to be exciting and challenging both for the company and for its employees.

"As we go into the next phases of Project 1990, our employees will see greater opportunities to contribute to the company's effectiveness, as well as to their own personal and professional goals."

BP's restructured regional headquarters in Cleveland will continue to constitute BP's corporate base in America.

Of the nearly 900 current corporate staff employees, 380 will now make up BP's corporate staff unit in America. Another 190 will be realigned within the businesses they support. The remaining 210 will be employed in a separate service organization in Cleveland to provide BP and other clients with building-related services.

No significant relocation of employees from Cleveland is anticipated as a result of the realignment.

CONTACT: Vivian Davis of BP America, 216-586-3794

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#90304p1871 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDLOTHIAN, TEXAS (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Chaparral Steel Co. (NYSE: CSM) today announced that Alan Halliburton, vice president- investor relations, is leaving the company effective Oct. 31, 1990 to start his own investor relations and communications business. Ken Allen, TXI corporate financial manager, has been named director of investor relations.

"Ken has been associated with the company since 1985, and we are pleased to have a person with his knowledge and experience in this position," stated President Gordon E. Forward. "Alan Halliburton will continue in a consulting capacity with the company, and we wish him well in his new venture."

Chaparral Steel is a manufacturer of steel products which are shipped throughout North America and to points in Europe and Asia.

CONTACT: Alan Halliburton, of Chaparral Steel Co., 214-647-6730

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#90304p1874 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Banner Aerospace, Inc. (NYSE: BAR), Cleveland-based supplier to the aviation aftermarket, today reported a 29

percent increase in earnings for the fiscal second quarter ended Sept. 30. Sales rose 26 percent.

Current year second quarter net income was $4,606,000, or 26 cents per share, on sales of $62,560,000. In the like period last year, pro forma earnings were $3,582,000, or 20 cents per share, on sales of $49,712,000. Banner Aerospace was a wholly owned subsidiary of Banner Industries, Inc. (NYSE: BNR) until Aug. 2, 1990, when Banner Industries sold a 53 percent interest in Banner Aerospace in an initial public offering.

Banner Aerospace net income for the first six months of the current fiscal year amounted to $10,372,000, or 58 cents per share, an increase of 51 percent over pro forma earnings of $6,858,000, or 38 cents, a year earlier. Sales were $128,834,000, up 33 percent over the $97,037,000 of the prior year period.

Samuel J. Krasney, Banner Aerospace chairman and chief executive officer, said that the earnings gains were largely attributable to the positive incremental effect of increased sales. He reported that both internal growth and the results of recent acquisitions contributed to the sales gains. Current year six month results included the operations of Austin Jet Corporation, purchased in July 1989, and Dallas Aerospace, Inc., acquired in September 1989. The results of operations of recently acquired Georgetown Jet Center, Inc. were included for part of the current year's second quarter.

Krasney said world-wide demand for its aviation aftermarket products and services is at good levels. Approximately 40 percent of total first half sales were international, he reported. In addition, Krasney said Banner Aerospace has continued its active acquisition search program, focusing on well-managed, privately-owned organizations with special niches in the aviation aftermarket.

Banner Aerospace is a leading distributor of a broad range of new and overhauled replacement parts to the aviation aftermarket. Products include fasteners, bearings, electrical items, avionics and other airframe components. The company also processes and sells insulated electrical wire and markets new and refurbished helicopters and refurbished corporate airplanes. Its customers include most of the world's commercial airlines and cargo carriers, original equipment manufacturers, distributors, aircraft overhaul facilities and corporate aircraft operators.

CONTACT: Warren D. Persavich of Banner Aerospace, Inc., 216-464-3650

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#90304p1875 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Ingersoll-Rand Company (NYSE: IR) today announced that it has acquired ABG Strassenbaumaschinen, a Hameln, Germany, manufacturer of asphalt paving equipment and other road machinery.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

"This acquisition underscores Ingersoll-Rand's continuing commitment to products needed for building and maintaining infrastructure and strengthens Ingersoll-Rand's strategic preparations for Europe 1992," said William G. Mulligan, executive vice president. "ABG provides European technology, expands our European manufacturing base and opens new opportunities in eastern Europe."

Mulligan said that Ingersoll-Rand expects world paving requirements to grow throughout the 1990s, and ABG equipment is designed to meet the most stringent paving guidelines in the world.

In 1989, Ingersoll-Rand's Construction Equipment Group acquired another German company, Ing. G. Klemm Bohrtechnik Gmbh, a German manufacturer of specialized rock drills. Klemm drilling equipment is manufactured and marketed by the company's Construction Equipment Group.

Ingersoll-Rand is a leading manufacturer of industrial machinery, including construction equipment, air compressors, mining machinery, pumps, tools, bearings, door hardware and security systems. Through joint ventures and its own operations, Ingersoll-Rand is a leading supplier of hydrocarbon production and processing equipment and services.

CONTACT: Richard D. Johnson, 201-573-3087, or Paul A. Dickard, 201-573-3120, both of Ingersoll-Rand.

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#90304p1876 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Equifax Inc. (NYSE: EFX), at its regular quarterly meeting today, elected Dan W. McGlaughlin, Ph.D., to the Equifax board.

McGlaughlin, 54, Equifax senior vice president, will succeed Robert W. Scherer who is retiring from the board.

As head of Equifax's Information Technology Sector, McGlaughlin directs the centralization of operations and support of Equifax's technological resources. McGlaughlin's business career includes 24 years with IBM where he held numerous managerial positions including vice president for manufacturing and engineering.

Before joining Equifax in July 1989, he spent seven years as vice president of General Electric Corp. and president of Calma, a technology-based subsidiary of General Electric.

Scherer, retired chairman of the board of Georgia Power Co., has been a member

of the Equifax board since 1982. Scherer, who will be 65 in November, is retiring from the Equifax board in accordance with the retirement-age provisions of the company's bylaws.

J.V. White, chairman of the Equifax board, said, "Dan McGlaughlin's experience and expertise in the areas of technology and marketing will be valuable assets as we position our corporation for continued growth at home and abroad in the decade of the 90s. And, most certainly, we will miss Bob Scherer's active contribution to the direction of our company. We wish him well in his retirement."

Equifax Inc. is the leading provider of information for consumer financial transactions. Established in 1899 in Atlanta, Equifax today has 13,000 employees in 1,100 locations in the United States, Canada, and Europe. Equifax provides information services and automated systems that help customers grant credit, insure lives and property, select new employees, market products, and complete other transactions that benefit the economy, business and consumers. Equifax's revenues for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989 were $840 million.

CONTACT: John Ford of Equifax, 404-885-8309 (office) or 404-469-0920 (after hours)

-30- 2257

#90304p1878 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OHIO (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - At groundbreaking ceremonies today with union, city and state officials in attendance, Erick A. Reickert, chairman of Acustar, Inc., announced the company is investing $37.4 million in new construction and equipment at its Dayton (Ohio) Thermal Products Plant.

The $37.4 million is part of a $65.6 million total investment, which also includes engineering, research and development Acustar is making in future automotive heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) products.

Acustar, a wholly owned components subsidiary of Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C), produces air conditioning condensers, evaporator coils, heater core assemblies, transmission oil coolers, radiators, air conditioner/heater unit assemblies, and vapor emissions canisters at the Dayton plant for Chrysler and other automotive companies.

A new 134,000-square-foot building will be constructed on the plant site, with a scheduled completion date of September, 1991. The new building will initially provide space for two new 1,000-ton plastic injection molding machines and support equipment, HVAC assembly and test modules, and engine cooling module assembly operations.

Several existing buildings, dating back to the Maxwell Car Company, are

currently being demolished and the site is being prepared for the new building. Construction is scheduled to start early next month.

Acustar said new work it has received for Chrysler's 1993 model year 'LH' passenger car program will help maintain employment levels at Dayton. The plant currently employs about 1,350 hourly and salary people.

The State of Ohio is providing $500,000 in funding for site preparation and additional financial assistance for training programs for the plant over the next several years. The City of Dayton has approved a 10-year tax abatement.

CONTACT: Doug Nicoll of Chrysler, 513-224-2305

-30- 2083

#90304p1880 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENCINO, CA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Properties Inc. (AMEX: MPP) today announced that the board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 100,000 of the company's shares. The shares will be bought on the open market. Medical Properties presently has 2,369,000 shares outstanding.

Medical Properties is a real estate investment trust engaged in investing in income producing health care facilities.

CONTACT: William Hartauer, president of Medical Properties, 818-902-2270; or Melvyn S. Rifkind of Melvyn S. Rifkind Inc., 818-783-8323, for Medical Properties

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#90304p1881 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

HACKENSACK, NJ (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Script Systems, Inc., (NASDAQ: SCPT) reported record first quarter sales and the fourth consecutive profitable quarter. Sales rose 46 percent to $1,316,851 while earnings of $43,842 were realized. For the trailing 12 months, Script's sales rose 33 percent to a record $5,778,739 while earnings per share were a record. $.21 compared to a loss of ($.05) for the comparable period last year.

Barry Mindes, Script System's president, said the sales increase is due to price increases, higher volume in systems sold and a greater percentage of more expensive systems to medical practices rather than pharmacies. Earnings rose because of higher margins and decreased expenses on a per sale basis.

Script Systems provides automated systems to the health care industry, principally medical offices, clinics and hospitals, which perform clinical record keeping, billing and insurance claims processing, scheduling and administrative functions. Script's products and services are sold throughout the country from direct sales offices and a distributor network.

SCRIPT SYSTEMS, INC.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,316,851	$902,883
Earnings before extraordinary item	26,342	(239,973)
Tax-Loss Carry-Forward	17,500	--
Net earnings (loss)	43,842	(239,973)
Earnings (loss) per share		
Primary and fully diluted	.01	(.09)
Tax-Loss Carry-Forward	.01	--
Net earnings primary and fully diluted	.02	(.09)
Shares outstanding	2,840,648	2,804,848

CONTACT: Barry Mindes of Script System, 201-343-8500, or Sam Witchel of Scharff, Witchel & Co., 212-983-1060

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#90304p1883 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Banco Comercial Portugues (BCP), Portugal's leading private commercial bank and the country's largest quoted company, and CARIPLO, one of Italy's leading banks and the world's largest savings bank, today announced an alliance involving reciprocal minority participations and partnership in a new subsidiary.

Under this agreement, which is subject to the approval of the authorities of both countries, CARIPLO will acquire 1.5 percent of BCP's equity, while BCP will take a stake in one of the financial companies of the CARIPLO Group.

One of the main features of this link is the launch of a 50/50 "joint venture" in the mortgage credit business in Portugal. Both institutions have also agreed on the establishment of cooperation mechanisms designed to support the activities of BCP in Italy and of CARIPLO in Portugal.

As of Dec. 30, 1989, CARIPLO had total assets of 84,365 billion lire ($66 billion) and shareholders' equity of 5,182 billion lire ($4 billion). CARIPLO in addition to controlling another commercial bank and a medium-term lending institution, is involved in merchant banking, leasing, factoring, fund management and other non-financial activities.

BCP had total assets of Esc 697 billion ($5 billion) and shareholders' equity of Esc 122 billion ($880 million) as of Sept. 30, 1990. Its subsidiaries include insurance, factoring, brokerage, property and asset management companies.

CONTACT: Matthew J. Harrington of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for Banco Comercial Portugues

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#90304p1886 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

READING, Pa. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Carpenter Technology Corp. (NYSE: CRS) is confident about the future and is positioned for growth in the 1990s, Paul R. Roedel, chairman and chief executive officer, told 700 stockholders during the steelmaker's annual meeting today.

Roedel said that actions taken over the past three years have strengthened Carpenter, which now is prepared to manage its way through the nation's current economic uncertainty.

"We remain optimistic about our long-term success," he said. "We have made splendid progress. Fiscal 1990 has established a new base from which we can measure progress. We will work diligently to make the decade of the 90s a 'Carpenter Decade'."

Roedel addressed a decline in company earnings over the past two quarters from a year ago after 10 straight quarters of growth. He emphasized, "That performance reflects the poor economic environment that some of our customers are experiencing. However, our sales and marketing initiatives have helped offset the full impact of their reduced demand. Also helping us is the fact that demand from our aircraft engine customers, our oil and gas exploration customers, and our power generation customers is holding up very well.

"On balance, our business today is better than one would expect from reading the papers."

Carpenter will continue to follow three "key" strategies to meet its goals in the 90s, according to Roedel.

The first strategy is management of product mix, or upgrading the product line to the higher, more technically demanding products where Carpenter has special expertise, he said.

Second, the company will place even stronger emphasis on its commitment to Continuous Improvement, a philosophy and process of examination and modification in every phase of the company's operations to become even better. "Now is the time to concentrate our talents to assure that we are ready for the next up-cycle," he said.

Third, Carpenter will strengthen its commitment to the company's customers in product quality, technical assistance, service and on-time delivery. "We need to sharpen our customer commitment to assure that Carpenter is the company of choice for orders that will be placed," he stated.

In other business, the stockholders: -- Elected William E.C. Dearden, James A. Flick Jr., Carl R. Garr, Marlin Miller Jr., and S. James Spitz as corporate

directors for three- year terms.

-- Approved a Stock Option Plan for non-employee directors. -- Approved an amendment to the Incentive Stock Option Plan for officers and key employees.

-- Defeated a stockholder proposal to elect all directors annually. -- Elected Coopers and Lybrand as independent accountants.

CONTACT: Robert M. Holmes of Carpenter Technology, 215-371-2639

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#90304p1888 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Laurel Cutler, vice president-Consumer Affairs for Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C), has been named one of America's most powerful women in the November issue of Ladies' Home Journal. Cutler is also vice chairman and worldwide director of Marketing Planning for FCB/Leber Katz Partners in New York.

At Chrysler, Cutler serves as a clearing house for information on consumer expectations and focuses management's attention on the consumer's perception of Chrysler and its products.

She participates on the Marketing and Planning senior management committees, and serves as advisor to Chrysler's Youth Committee and the Advisory Committee of the Women's Automotive Market.

Cutler also develops and analyzes customer satisfaction data and makes recommendations to strengthen Chrysler's customer satisfaction programs. She reports to Chrysler Motors Chairman Bennett E. Bidwell.

"Laurel Cutler's unique sense of the marketplace and her instincts for getting through to it have had an impact on Chrysler's marketing strategy, brand identification and advertising goals," said Bidwell. "It's no surprise to us she's on Ladies' Home Journal list of most powerful women. She's right at the top of ours, too."

A variety of sources outside the magazine were asked to name women who have real power, rather than being figureheads; who are most likely to get their phone calls returned, and most likely to leave a lasting impression.

CONTACT: James E. Kenyon of Chrysler, (313) 956-4664.

-30- 1735

#90304p1889 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Pledges by Ford Motor Company employees and a gift from the Ford Motor Company Fund will add a record $12 million to

the 1990 United Way for Southeastern Michigan Torch Drive.

Helen O. Petrauskas, vice president - Environmental and Safety Engineering, reported the contribution at a United Way luncheon today at the Westin Hotel.

Ms. Petrauskas, who served as Ford's campaign chair this year, said the combined total of $12 million is the largest single amount ever pledged to the United Way Torch Drive. Last year, Ford's combined contribution totaled $11.6 million.

Ms. Petrauskas thanked General Chairman Ken Whipple, the Ford Ambassadors, the UAW National Ford Department, and the Ford employees for the outstanding results. According to Ms. Petrauskas, "They proved that at Ford, the quality of life is Job No. 1."

The Ford executive also noted that the record Ford employee pledge of $10.7 million, up from last year's $10.35 million, is the single largest gift to any of the 2,200 United Ways in the country. That pledge, combined with the record Ford Motor Company Fund gift of $1.3 million, enabled the Ford drive to top last year's record total by $403,000. In the 42 years that Ford has participated in the United Way drive, employees and the company have contributed more than $242 million.

Ms. Petrauskas announced that adding the Ford contribution to the dollars reported earlier by Chrysler brings the automotive manufacturers' unit to $16,660,396.

CONTACT: Beryl Goldsweig of Ford, 313-337-2456.

-30- 1759

#90304p1890 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Visa International today announced that Zivnostenska Banka in Prague issued its first internationally accepted Visa cards to Czechoslovakian citizens. The bank joined Visa in January 1990. In a related event, three Polish banks will issue internationally accepted Visa cards by June of 1991.

Zivnostenska Banka issued Visa cards to its customers with convertible, foreign currency deposits. These cards operate as deferred debit cards with the customer's account being debited the full card balance once a month. Beginning next year, cardholders will also be able to make Czech Koruna payments inside Czechoslovakia.

"The benefits of carrying a Visa card are significant for Eastern European citizens," said Charles T. Russell, chairman of Visa International. "Procedures which, in the West, we take for granted, such as checking into hotels, booking airlines, obtaining foreign currency and entertaining clients

are cumbersome and time-consuming for them. Visa cards will change this immediately. Our member banks in Czechoslovakia, USSR, Hungary and Poland are pioneering the issue of international payment systems in Eastern Europe."

In Poland, Bank Polska Kasa Opieki (PEKAO) SA, Bank Inicjatyw Gospodarczch (BIG) SA, both in Warsaw, and Bank Przemyslowo Handlowy (BPH) in Krakow will all issue Visa cards to customers with convertible, foreign currency deposit accounts.

Boguslaw Kott, Chairman of the Board of BIG SA pointed out that the lack of existing banking infrastructure in Eastern Europe had given them one advantage: "We will be able to deliver efficient electronic services without moving through the paper age."

Visa International, with 230 million cards in circulation including 126 million in the United States, is the world's largest consumer payment system.

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#90304p1891 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CALIF (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Alitalia, the national airline of Italy, today took delivery of its 49th and 50th MD-80 jetliners from McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD).

Bob Hood, president of the Douglas Aircraft division of McDonnell Douglas, said Alitalia is the first airline outside the United States to operate 50 or more of the popular short-to-medium-range twin jets.

Senior officials of Alitalia were in Long Beach to accept delivery of the new aircraft and to participate in the ceremonies.

Alitalia operates 25 of the aircraft and another 25 are flown by Aero Trasporti Italiani, a subsidiary of the airline.

"Alitalia is a long-time customer of Douglas twin jets," Hood told a large audience at the delivery ceremony, "and they have shown their confidence in our airplanes by helping to launch the McDonnell Douglas MD-11 trijet."

Michele Principe, president of Alitalia, said, "This long cooperation has been supported by the excellent flexibility, comfort and reliability offered by McDonnell Douglas aircraft to airline customers over the years. Specifically, the MD-80 has given the Alitalia fleet the best seat-to-size configuration for European traffic service."

Alitalia is one of the largest operators of MD-80 aircraft in the world. The airline ordered its first MD-80s in 1982, and the twin jet first went into

service with Alitalia in 1983. The airline has firm orders for 45 additional MD-80s and options for 25 more.

McDonnell Douglas has now delivered more than 790 MD-80s since the plane went into service in 1980. The company also has more than 430 firm orders for MD-80s and MD-90s, the company's next-generation twin jet, and has other commitments for nearly 500 additional twin jets.

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#90304p1897 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGTON HILLS, MICH. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Medar, Inc. (NASDAQ: MDXR) reported net earnings for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $131,308, or $.02 per share, on net sales of $3,583,019, as compared to a third-quarter loss in 1989 of $215,207, or $.04 per share, on net sales of $3,928,279.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Medar, Inc. reported net earnings of $276,924, or $.05 per share, on net sales of $10,873,313, compared to a nine-month loss of $1,249,823, or $.23 per share, on net sales of $10,354,267 in 1989.

Medar, Inc. also announced that it has been selected by General Motors Corporation (NYSE: GM) to supply resistance welding control to GM's St. Therese Assembly Plant in St. Therese, Quebec. These controls will feature the RIO (remote input-output) technology obtained under license from Allen-Bradley. The General Motors order approximated $450,000 and represents the first in what is believed to be a multi-part order.

Prospects for both automotive and non-automotive business are excellent and the outlook for the remainder of 1990 and 1991 is considered strong.

Medar designs and manufactures computer-controlled automation equipment including vision gauging and inspection systems, resistance welding controls and computer communications systems. Medar's customers include major companies in the defense, aerospace, automobile, appliance, entertainment and consumer goods packaging industries.

MEDAR, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Net Sales and Earnings

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$3,583,019	$3,928,279	$10,873,313	$10,354,267
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations	$131,308	($215,207)	$276,924	($1,109,823)

Loss from discontinued operations	---	---	---	(140,000)
Net earnings	$131,308	($215,207)	$276,924	($1,249,823)
Earnings (loss) per share:				
Continued operations	$.02	($.04)	$.05	($.21)
Discontinued operations	---	---	---	($.02)
Net earnings (loss) per share	$.02	($.04)	$.05	($.23)

CONTACT: Charles J. Drake or Gerald R. Smith of Medar, Inc., 313-477-3900

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#90304p1898 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Quest Medical Inc. (NASDAQ: QMED) and Clini-Therm Corp. (NASDAQ: CLIN; PSE: CLI) jointly announced today that Quest has notified Clini-Therm that it intends to exercise its option to participate in a further financial restructuring of Clini-Therm through a cooperative bankruptcy reorganization of Clini-Therm.

Pursuant to agreements between Quest and Clini-Therm, Quest has agreed to provide up to $820,000 to accomplish the reorganization, which includes a previously announced $320,000 advance to Clini-Therm prior to the filing of the bankruptcy petition. Quest has agreed to negotiate an agreement with Clini-Therm's secured lender and holder of all of its preferred stock.

It is currently anticipated that, as part of the reorganization, title to substantially all of Clini-Therm's assets will be transferred to Quest. Further, it is anticipated that, pursuant to the plan of reorganization, Quest would distribute up to 800,000 warrants to purchase Quest common stock to holders of Clini-Therm common stock, of which 600,000 are contingent upon pre-market approval by the FDA of a Clini-Therm hyperthermia system for non-surgical treatment of elderly men with enlarged prostate glands. Thomas C. Thompson, President of Quest, said, "The possibility of a treatment modality for a portion of the 400,000 men who are surgically treated for benign prostate hyperplasia (BPH) each year is the primary interest of Quest in this transaction."

The final terms of the plan of reorganization are subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court and, accordingly, could change.

Dallas-based Quest Medical develops, manufactures and markets proprietary products for the hospital market. For the first six months of 1990, Quest had revenues of $3.0 million. As of June 30, 1990, Quest had $10.9 million in cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments, equal to $1.97 per share, and stockholders' equity of $16.9 million, equal to $3.07 per share.

Clini-Therm, also based in Dallas, is a manufacturer of hyperthermia equipment for the heat-treatment of cancer and other disorders.

CONTACT: Thomas C. Thompson of Quest Medical, 214-387-2740; John W. Jenkins of Clini-Therm, 214-669-2707; or Larry Howell of Howell Communications Inc., 214-340-9994

-30- 2499

#90304p1906 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

COATESVILLE, PA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Lukens Inc. (NYSE: LUC) today increased the dividend on the company's common stock to $.37 a share, payable on Nov. 23, to stockholders of record on Nov. 12.

Lukens has paid dividends of $.35 per share through the first three quarters of 1990, making the total 1990 dividend $1.42 per share, compared to $1.10 paid in 1989.

CONTACT: W. Evelyn Walker of Lukens Inc., 215-383-2504

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#90304p1908 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Momentum, Inc. (NASDAQ: MMNT) reported gains in both revenues and net income for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In the third quarter, revenues reached $12,251,390, an increase of 14.4 percent over the $10,708,688 reported for the same period of 1989. Net income for the quarter was $134,894, or $.01 per share, compared with a 1989 loss of $263,534, or ($.02) per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, revenues were $34,717,498 versus revenues of $33,317,651 in the same period last year. Net income was $259,724, or $.02 per share, compared with a loss of $515,295, or ($.04) per share in 1989.

The Company credited its gains to growing business at its Aerosol Systems subsidiary.

Edwin M. Roth, chairman and CEO, said, "Demand remains high for our traditional aerosol products, as well as for barrier package products, particularly our proprietary items. We are experiencing continuing difficulties in receiving sufficient quantities of the specialized aluminum cans required for these products from our European supplier. Consequently, we are escalating research into other alternative package designs, so that we can be certain of meeting our growth requirements for this product line in 1991.

"Our restaurant margins are under pressure from the legally mandated increase

in minimum wage earlier in the year, but we have maintained our revenues while the industry generally seems to be falling off," Roth noted.

"Currently we have seen no evidence of any changes in the economy in our new order production. Our optimism about the Company's future and its continued progress remains high."

Momentum, through its subsidiary Aerosol Systems, Inc., is principally a formulator and aerosol packager of degreasers, lubricants, cleaners and other products for the automotive aftermarket and the industrial maintenance market. The Company also owns and operates five Chuck E. Cheese family oriented restaurants in Ohio.

CONTACT: Edwin M. Roth, chairman and chief executive officer of Momentum, Inc., 216-468-1380

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#90304p1909 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CA. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermark, Inc. (AMEX: IMI) today announced that its Board of Directors elected James V. Iaco, Jr. (pronounced "Yacco") as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer effective November 1, 1990. Iaco succeeds Frank C. Alexander as Chief Financial Officer who will continue to serve Intermark as Executive Vice President.

Iaco has twenty-two years of progressive experience in the areas of accounting and financial management, including senior management positions with MAXXAM Inc. (AMEX: MXM) and Deloitte & Touche (formerly Haskins & Sells). Iaco served MAXXAM, a Fortune 200 company, as Senior Vice President-Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer for the past eight years.

As a member of MAXXAM's top management team, Iaco contributed to the company's successful growth to a $3.2 billion asset, $2.4 billion revenue company in ten years. In addition, he was instrumental in the successful negotiation and closing of several major financing arrangements and strategic transactions, including the acquisition by MAXXAM of Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corporation and The Pacific Lumber Company. Overall, Iaco was employed by MAXXAM for seventeen years, serving in the additional positions of Vice President-Treasurer of Real Estate Operations, Assistant Corporate Controller, and Manager of Financial Reporting and Planning.

A Certified Public Accountant, Iaco served for four years as Senior Audit Accountant with Deloitte & Touche in Los Angeles and two years as Assistant Controller with Mitchum, Jones & Templeton, also in Los Angeles. Commenting on Iaco's election as CFO, Intermark President John C. Stiska said, "Our shareholders know that we are in the process of de-leveraging and restructuring our balance sheet to give us the foundation to grow in the '90s. Jim Iaco's experience, sophistication and financial savvy will provide our

senior management team with the dimension we need to build Intermark in this environment. We know of Jim's enviable track record through our long-standing relationship with MAXXAM management, and we are fortunate to have him join us."

Said Iaco, "I've long been an admirer of Intermark Chairman Red Scott and the Intermark record of growth. The level of professionalism within the organization and the talent of the management team is unmatched. I look forward to the opportunity to be part of Intermark and to apply my experience at this time in its development."

Intermark is a $1 billion operating/holding company whose business is to acquire a controlling interest in, operate through and add value to well-established, successful, mid-sized American growth companies in broadly diverse industries.

CONTACT: John C. Stiska, president, or Mitchell R. Woodbury, VP and Corporate Counsel, both of Intermark Inc., 619-459-3841

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#90304p1913 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAKHURST, CA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Sierra On-Line (NASDAQ: SIER) announced today that it has commenced preliminary testing of a new multi-player game technology. Sierra is in the process of testing a prototype product in the Los Angeles area with nearly 1,000 volunteer testers. Each of the testers has signed a nondisclosure agreement.

Ken Williams, president and chief executive officer of Sierra, stated "Sierra is interested in extending our core product development technology (SCI) to have multi-player capabilities. Our long-term goal is to have games, similar to those we now sell, which can be played simultaneously by large groups of people over a wide area network.

We have no plans currently to announce any particular product, any time table for roll-out or even any sense of what form a national roll-out might take, e.g., whether we would operate our own network or offer our product through some existing network. This announcement is only being made to correct misinformation that may have been leaked by our testers. Although we are very excited about this test, Sierra cannot speculate until next year whether it might lead to some marketable product."

Sierra On-Line develops and publishes premium-priced interactive animated adventure software for the high-end of the consumer market.

CONTACT: Anita Greene of Sierra On-Line, 209-683-4468.

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#90304p1914 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
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CONTACT: Anita Greene of Sierra On-Line, 209-683-4468

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#90304p1915 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEWTON, MA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Greenery Rehabilitation Group, Inc. (NYSE: GRG) today announced that preliminary indications of its financial results for its fiscal fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, show earnings between 9 cents to 12 cents a share. These results represent a decline from 25 cents a share in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Earnings per share for the nine months ended June 30, 1990, were 58 cents a share compared to 41 cents a share in the nine months ended June 30, 1989. As a result, earnings for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990 are expected to exceed the 66 cents a share reported in the year ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Upon making this announcement, George Ferencik, president and chief operating officer, issued the following statement:

Greenery Group emphasized that the financial indications announced today are preliminary only and subject to audit verification. Audited financial results for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990 are expected to be available in December.

Greenery Group operates 12 rehabilitation and nursing care facilities located in Massachusetts, Connecticut, North Carolina, Maryland, California, Michigan, Washington State and Texas. Six of these facilities now specialize in

providing rehabilitation services to patients who have suffered traumatic brain injuries and several of the other facilities are expected to be converted to these specialized services.

CONTACT: Gerard M. Martin, chairman, or George M. Ferencik, president, of Greenery Rehabilitation Group, 617-244-4744

-30- 1710

#90304p1921 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Genex Corporation (NASDAQ: GNEX) today announced that, effective Oct. 30, 1990, its common stock has been moved from trading as part of the NASDAQ/National Market System because as a small company its net tangible assets did not meet NASDAQ/NMS requirements. The common stock will continue to trade on NASDAQ, with bid and asked quotations appearing daily in The Wall Street Journal and certain other newspapers under the heading NASDAQ Bid and Asked Quotations.

CONTACT: Diana Hopkins of Genex Corporation, 301-258-0552

-30- 728

#90304p1923 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALO ALTO, CA. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Emery Worldwide announced today the appointment of two experienced air freight executives who will join the company in top operating and marketing positions.

Arthur C. Bass, chairman and chief executive officer of the $1.4 billion company, said that Michael J. Fitzgerald had been named executive vice president and chief operating officer and that Tucker Taylor had been named senior vice president -- marketing and sales.

Bass also announced that Donald G. Berger, 43, continues as president of Emery Worldwide Airlines, the company's certificated airline subsidiary. As president of EWA, Berger will have responsibility for all of Emery's aircraft operations as well as its contract for transporting Express and Priority mail for the United States Postal Service.

"Mike Fitzgerald and Tucker Taylor are seasoned veterans who have dedicated their entire professional careers to building companies," Bass said. "Their top priority is to ensure that Emery's service is at a level to allow the company to compete with all air freight products.

"Don Berger has been a tireless worker for both CF AirFreight and Emery for 20 years," Bass said. "His experience is highly valued. Don's appointment as president reflects the growing importance of Emery Worldwide Airlines."

Fitzgerald, Taylor and Berger each will report to Bass. As executive vice

president of Emery Worldwide, Fitzgerald, 54, will have responsibility for the company's worldwide freight operations, human resources and terminal facilities. Since 1982 he has been vice president of Business Services International of Annapolis, Md., an air transportation consulting firm, with clients that include Porsche, Pepsi Cola, North American Van Lines and Dillon Read Investments.

Fitzgerald is a former senior vice president of Federal Express Corp., where from 1973 to 1982 he was responsible for developing that company's field organization, including sales and service, as part of the Advance Planning and Research Group.

Prior to serving as a Federal Express executive, Fitzgerald was vice president -- operations for D.H. Overmyer Co., one of the nation's largest public warehousing and warehouse leasing companies.

Fitzgerald also worked 12 years with United Parcel Service, his final position as Northern Illinois operations manager.

He is a graduate of Northeastern University and will reside in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Taylor, 49, has been president of Kensico Associates Inc., a New York marketing and research firm, since 1982. The firm's clients have included Federal Express, SuperShuttle International, Western Airlines and DHL Inc. He is a member of the board of directors of SuperShuttle International and Flight Services Group Inc.

As senior vice president of Emery, he will have responsibility for Emery's worldwide marketing program, sales organization and customer service.

Taylor also is a former Federal Express executive, serving as senior vice president from 1974 to 1982 in a variety of key positions including Sales and Service, Industrial Relations and general manager of the Eastern Division.

He is a graduate of Yale University and will reside in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Berger most recently was president of Emery and before that was president of CF AirFreight, which merged with Emery in 1989. He is a 21-year veteran of the air freight business and a graduate of Hope College.

Emery Worldwide, based in Palo Alto, is a subsidiary of Consolidated Freightways Inc. (NYSE: CNF), a $4 billion diverisified transportation company with businesses in long-haul and regional trucking, air freight and intermodal rail and ocean services.

CONTACT: J.R. Allen of Emery Worldwide, 415-326-1700

-30- 3988

#90304p1925 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Commodore International Ltd. (NYSE: CBU) today reported earnings of $7.0 million, or $.22 per share on sales of $200.3 million for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with a loss of $6.5 million, or $.20 per share on sales of $165.3 million in the year-ago quarter.

Net sales for the quarter increased by 21 percent, attributable to a 50 percent growth in unit sales of the Amiga product line and to favorable exchange rates of major European currencies. The significant growth in sales led to a substantial increase in gross profit while operating expenses were tightly controlled, increasing by only 6.5 percent compared to the prior year period. These factors resulted in net income for the quarter of $7.0 million.

Irving Gould, chairman and chief executive officer, commented, "We are pleased with our return to profitability and the strong performance of the Amiga product line worldwide. We expect our Amiga and PC products to continue to have growing appeal to a wide range of business and home users."

Commodore International Ltd., through its operating subsidiaries around the world, manufactures and markets personal computers to customers in the professional, government, education, and consumer market sectors. The company has three product lines: the Amiga multimedia computers, the MS-DOS PC compatibles, and the classic C64 computers.

CONTACT: Ron Alexander, VP of Commodore International Ltd., 212-935-3840; Gary Fishman, 212-661-1830, or Don Reynolds, 213-275-0024, both of Donald Reynolds Associates for Commodore

-30- 1796

#90304p1927 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORINDA, CA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Sierra Club national Director Michele Perrault today demanded that print and radio ads funded by Waste Management Inc. opposing measure E be pulled immediately. The ads were called by Perrault "an infringement of the Sierra Club trademark and a violation of election laws."

Responding to a newspaper ad listing Sierra Club as a signer, on Oct. 25, Phil Berry, Sierra Club Vice President of Conservation Law, wrote a letter to Waste Management's Walnut Creek office informing them, "We view this as a misappropriation of the Sierra Club name and an attempt to mislead readers of the ad into believing that the position taken by the ad is a Sierra Club view and not merely that of someone who incidentally is a member of Sierra Club.

"We demand that any further of your ads or any campaign material of any sort not use the Sierra Club name or by any other means imply Sierra Club has taken a position contrary to or in any way different from what it actually has taken."

Sierra Club has endorsed Measure E, the initiative which would remove Marsh Creek from a list of sites being considered for a Contra Costa County dump site. Voters in Contra Costa passed a Sierra Club-endorsed initiative last November that designated Keller Canyon as the choice for the next county landfill site.

CONTACT: Michele Perrault, 415-283-6683; or Bob Walker, 415-626-1386; both of the Sierra Club.

-30- 1602

#90304p1928 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Hallmark Cards Inc. and Paramount Cards Inc. announced today a licensing agreement enabling the two companies to jointly launch a line of Hispanic greeting cards.

Under the terms of the agreement, Hallmark will license the line's name, Primor, to Paramount for use on both companies' Hispanic card lines. Paramount will create, design and manufacture the cards, while Hallmark will provide expanded distribution of the cards.

Both companies will distribute the Primor line through retail outlets, including specialty shops and mass market outlets such as supermarkets, discount stores and drug stores.

Paramount, headquartered in Pawtucket, R.I., has produced Hispanic greeting cards since 1984. A unique aspect of Paramount Spanish-language cards is that they feature an English translation of the Spanish text. The verse is written in Spanish expressly for Hispanic audiences, not merely translated from existing English-language cards.

The Hispanic population is the fastest-growing market segment in the country, growing five times as fast as the population as a whole. The Hispanic population in this country now stands at 23 million and is expected to reach 35 million by the year 2010.

Hallmark Cards, founded in Kansas City, in 1910, is the world's largest greeting card manufacturer. Annual sales are in excess of $2.5 billion.

Hallmark, which has offered Hispanic greeting cards since the 1960s, also serves the Hispanic market through its subsidiary, Univision Holdings Inc., the nation's leading Spanish-language communications company.

The new Hispanic card line will be available in stores nationwide in mid-1991.

CONTACT: Meg Townsend of Hallmark Cards Inc., 816-274-5883; or Donna Kirwan of Paramount Cards Inc., 401-726-0800

-30- 2005

#90304p1929 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Express will inaugurate service between Ft. Collins/Loveland and Denver with the premiere of its "Sculpture Showcase" on Nov. 1. The showcase is a unique exhibit developed with the Loveland arts community that will tour Continental Express airport terminals throughout Colorado and Wyoming for two years. All shows will feature local artists from each area as well as original artists from Ft. Collins and Loveland.

The Ft. Collins/Loveland exhibit will include the work of 20 acclaimed sculptors and will feature a 50 inch tall, 300 pound bronze sculpture commissioned by Continental Express, entitled "Evolution of Flight." This piece illustrates the development of flight from the beginning of time to the aeronautic technology mastered by man today.

Lance Perrin, vice president of Marketing for Continental Express, said, "Continental Express is pleased to jointly sponsor this program with the City of Loveland. As the exhibit tours our terminals throughout the region, we're able to share the talent of these artists with our customers and the local communities."

The sculpture showcase will be on display for thirty days in each airport, with some of the pieces for sale. A portion of the proceeds from the sales will be utilized to purchase sculptures for permanent displays in airport terminals. Continental Express's program to support Colorado artists has drawn the praise of Governor Roy Romer, the Colorado Council on the Arts and Humanities, the Colorado Business Committee for the Arts, and the city of Loveland.

CONTACT: Peggy Mahoney of Continental Express, 713-853-9726

-30- 1847

#90304p1930 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Commercial Intertech (NASDAQ: CTEK) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.17 per share payable Dec. 14, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: James Cartwright of Commercial Intertech Corp., 216-746-8011

-30- 471
#90304p1933 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
FREEPORT, IL (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Newell Co. (NYSE: NWL) announced today the declaration of the quarterly cash dividend of 12.5 cents per share on the Company's Common Stock. The dividend is payable December 3, 1990 to common stockholders of record November 15, 1990. This is consistent with the quarterly dividend paid in the third quarter of 1990 which indicates an annual rate of 50 cents on the Common Stock.

Newell manufactures and markets high-volume hardware/housewares and industrial products. Hardware/housewares products are sold principally through discount, variety, chain and hardware stores, hardware and housewares distributors and home improvement centers. Industrial products are sold directly and through distributors to volume purchasers.

CONTACT: William T. Alldredge, VP-Finance of Newell Co., 815-235-4171

-30- 1030
#90304p1936 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (OCT. 31) - Chevron Corporation (NYSE: CHV) today declared a quarterly dividend of 77.5 cents per share, payable Dec. 10 to stockholders of record Nov. 13. The dividend rate is unchanged from the preceding quarter.

CONTACT: Bonnie Chaikind of Chevron Corporation, 415-894-1200

-30- 439
#90304p1940 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire
MELBOURNE, FL (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The City of New York Department of Correction has awarded a $12.5 million contract to Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) to furnish and install a master telecommunications system at the Rikers Island prison complex.

Under the contract, Harris will install a private, automated branch exchange that will provide a security digital-telephone and voice-paging/public-address system for communications across the island. The system also will connect the island to public telecommunication systems on shore.

The contract was awarded to Harris Government Electronic Systems Division. The division will integrate equipment from Harris Digital Telephone Systems Division, Harris Computer Systems Division, and Cincinnati Bell Information Systems. The digital communications network will use fiber optics and standard telephone cable.

Rikers Island is the nation's largest jail complex, with more than 14,000 inmates and 7,000 administrative personnel. The complex consists of more than 30 inmate facilities and administrative buildings.

The existing telephone system, the core of which was installed 50 years ago, became obsolete with the complex's rapid growth during the last decade. Replacements for many of the old system's parts are no longer available.

Cecil Clarke, telecommunications director for the New York City Department of Correction, said, "This contract was awarded to Harris Corporation based on a combination of technical and price considerations, their strong reputation for quality in the telecommunications field, and their proven track record for delivering cost-effective systems on schedule. Harris' experience in providing complex software- and hardware-driven turnkey systems makes us confident the system will meet our needs well into the future."

Harris Government Electronic Systems Division is part of Harris Electronic Systems Sector, which conducts advanced research studies, develops prototypes and produces a broad range of state-of-the-art systems for government agencies and commercial organizations in the U.S. and overseas.

Harris Corporation, with worldwide sales of more than $3 billion, is focused on four major businesses: electronic systems, communications, semiconductors, and office equipment.

CONTACT: Jim Burke of Harris Corporation, 407-727-9126

-30- 2554
#90304p1942 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Banyan Corp. (AMEX: BYC) today announced it had consummated an agreement with its existing banks to provide financing of the working capital needs of its Andrew Marc Division for a four month period commencing Nov. 1, 1990 and ending March 2, 1991.

The company stated that during this period it will continue to explore more permanent financing or a sale of its Andrew Marc Division but if it is unsuccessful in doing so, at the expiration of this period, it may have no alternative but to file for protection under the federal bankruptcy laws.

CONTACT: Robert H. Miller of Banyan, 212-629-1761

-30- 782
#90304p1946 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDEN, COLO. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - AMAX Gold Inc. (NYSE: AU; Toronto: AXG) announced today that its board of directors approved a regular dividend of 2 cents per common share to shareholders of record as of Nov. 15, 1990, which will be payable on Nov. 30, 1990.

Amax Gold produces and explores for gold in the United States and New Zealand,

is listed on the New York and Toronto stock exchanges and is 87 percent owned by AMAX Inc.

CONTACT: Gina Wilson of AMAX Gold Inc., 303-273-0623

-30- 652

#90304p1947 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

ACRE, ISRAEL, (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Electrochemical Industries (Frutarom) Ltd. (AMEX: EIF) today reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to NIS 8.6 million ($4.2 million) compared with a net income of NIS 6.0 million ($2.9 million) in the same period in 1989. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was NIS 3.4 million ($1.6 million) compared to net income of NIS 1.3 million ($0.7 million) during the corresponding period a year ago.

Consolidated sales for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to NIS 180.6 million ($87.8 million), compared with NIS 183.4 million ($89.2 million) in the same period in 1989. Consolidated sales for the third quarter of 1990 were NIS 66.2 million ($32.2 million), compared with NIS 56.8 million ($27.6 million) during the same period in 1989. During the period reported, the flavors and fragrances division increased its sales by over 12 percent compared with the same period last year.

Joseph Geva, chief executive officer and vice chairman of EIF, explained that the decrease in sales during the nine months of 1990 was mainly due to a 5.6 percent drop in the company's export sales, while sales on the local market increased by some 4 percent compared with the same period last year.

Operating profit for the first nine months of 1990, before financial expenses, amounted to NIS 18.3 million ($8.9 million), compared with NIS 15.6 million ($7.6 million) in the first nine months of 1989. Operating profit for the third quarter of 1990 was NIS 8.4 million ($4.1 million), compared with NIS 3.2 million ($1.6 million) in the same period last year.

In August, the company received a permit from the Israeli Investment Authority to increase its approved investment program from NIS 25.6 million to NIS 40.4 million. At Aug. 30, 1990, the company's investments totaled NIS 24.6 million on account of the above mentioned sum. Based upon receipt of this permit, the company received government grants totaling NIS 4.9 million.

The Investment Authority also approved an investment program for the flavors and fragrances division in the amount of NIS 5.1 million, out of which NIS 1.8 million were invested as of Sept. 30, 1990.

The third quarter of 1990 was characterized by increased production at the

company's Acre facility following general upgrading and the installation of new equipment, which took place during the second quarter of this year. Ongoing efforts are being made to improve product quality. Accordingly, state-of-the-art equipment has been purchased and a special, quality control department established to ensure that the company's products meet the stringent requirements of international standards. In addition, considerable effort is being expanded in the area of ecology.

As reported previously, in August the company entered into an agreement to establish a U.S. subsidiary, Flavor Key 2000 Inc., for marketing the product line of the flavors and fragrances division.

Electrochemical Industries (Frutarom) Ltd. manufactures and markets chemicals, raw materials, flavors and essences for a wide variety of industrial applications. As one of Israel's leading firms, EIF is the country's sole producer of PVC, which it markets both domestically and overseas.

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Electrochemical Industries

-30- 3673

#90304p1949 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - ATI Medical Inc. (AMEX: ATI) today reported that net income for fiscal 1990 increased moderately over the prior year, despite a loss in the fourth quarter. Record revenues were up 27 percent over fiscal 1989.

Net earnings for the year ended July 31, 1990, rose to $2,375,000 or 43 cents per share, from $2,170,800 or 41 cents per share, in the prior fiscal year. Revenues for the year increased to $49.7 million from $39.1 million a year earlier.

For the three months ended July 31, 1990, ATI incurred a net loss of $353,000, or 7 cents per share, compared with net income of $663,700, or 13 cents per share, in the same period a year ago. Revenues increased 22 percent to $12.4 million from $10.2 million in the previous year.

Paul E. Stevenson, president and chief executive officer, said earnings improvement was restrained by non-recurring costs associated with its new Americare subsidiary serving the $3.0 billion home health care market. These expenses adversely affected pretax results by approximately $460,000, or 5 cents per share.

Also affecting results in the fourth quarter was the one-time effect of revised estimated employee benefit costs assessed by the government. In addition, seasonal softness affected equipment rentals in both hospitals and the entertainment industry. The prior year's fourth quarter results reflected

higher than usual entertainment industry volume due to accelerated production activity related to a pending strike.

Stevenson said that ATI's earnings growth rate in fiscal 1991 should outdistance that of the prior year. Revenues are expected to be up 20 percent to approximately $60 million, with much of the growth coming from the Americare subsidiary.

ATI Medical rents medical equipment primarily to hospitals as well as the entertainment industry through a total of 53 offices in major cities across the country. ATI also sells medical equipment and certain disposables. The new Americare subsidiary provides medical equipment for rental through exclusive home health care dealers covering 100 markets nationwide.

CONTACT: Paul E. Stevenson, president and CEO of ATI Medical Inc., 702-361-8788; or Craig A. Parsons of Rifkind, Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for ATI Medical Inc.

-30- 2462
#90304p1961 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The Transco Energy Co. (NYSE: E) board of directors today declared a quarterly dividend of 34 cents per common share, to be paid on Dec. 3, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 12, 1990.

CONTACT: Katherine E. Kemper of Transco Energy Co., 713-439-2455

-30- 439
#90304p1966 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, S.C. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Michelin announced today that it will implement a restructuring plan for its North American operations, including Mexico.

The restructuring plan is the result of task forces made up of representatives from both The Uniroyal Goodrich Tire Company, which was acquired in early May 1990, and Michelin's North American operations. Their unanimous recommendation was that certain operations of the two companies be consolidated.

Among the steps to be taken is the establishment in Greenville of a North American holding company, with Carlos Ghosn as chairman, president and chief executive officer. Since April 1989, Ghosn has been president and chief operating officer of Michelin Tire Corporation and Michelin Tires (Canada) Ltd. Previously, he has held various positions within the Michelin Group in Europe and South America.

This holding company will include four functions with management responsibility for North America. Heading these functions are:

1 -- Frederic Henry-Biabaud, marketing and sales. He has directed marketing and sales for Michelin Tire Corporation for the past two years.
2 -- Jean Paul Caylar, business development. Most recently, Caylar was the vice president for administration with Michelin Tire Corporation.
3 -- Manufacturing. To be appointed shortly.
4 -- James M. Micali, legal and financial. He has been Michelin Tire Corporation's general counsel since 1985.

Michelin Tire Corporation, The Uniroyal Goodrich Tire Company and Michelin Americas Research & Development Corporation (MARC) will continue to operate as separate legal entities under the holding company. However, the scope of their operations will change.

Michelin Tire Corporation will continue to be headquartered in Greenville. The president and chief operating officer of this company will be announced shortly.

The Uniroyal Goodrich Tire Company will be responsible for the replacement sales and marketing of all passenger and light-truck tire brands (Michelin, Uniroyal, BFGoodrich, and private and associate brands). All UGTC plants -- tire, textile and Ameripol/Synpol -- will continue to operate as part of UGTC.

Michelin Americas Research & Development Corporation (MARC) will provide all R&D support for Michelin's North American operations and remain in Greenville. It will have operations in Akron and Mogadore, Ohio, and Troy. Jean-Pierre Boca, who is the current president of MARC, will continue in that position.

A Michelin support company will be established to integrate, coordinate and consolidate various support functions, such as distribution, purchasing, information systems and accounting for all Michelin North American operations. The objective is to provide a greater degree of service, expertise and effectiveness to the group.

CONTACT: Jim Morton of Michelin, or Athene Karis of Uniroyal Goodrich, both of Michelin communications center (3 p.m., EDT, Oct. 31 to 6 p.m., EDT, Nov. 1) 800-227-0840, or in Canada 803-458-5707

-30- 3263

#90304p1967 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Navistar International Transportation Corp. said today that it had been notified by the United Auto Workers union that the extension of the labor contracts between Navistar and the UAW will be terminated at the end of each second shift that starts on Nov. 2, 1990.

The labor agreements were scheduled to expire on Oct. 1, but by mutual agreement had been extended indefinitely subject to termination with at least 48 hours notice by either the company or the union.

Negotiators for Navistar and the UAW are continuing to meet in Louisville working towards new agreements covering 8,000 production, maintenance, clerical and technical employees at Navistar facilities in Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Ohio and Texas.

Navistar International Transportation Corp., the principal operating subsidiary of Navistar International Corp. (NYSE: NAV), is the leading producer of medium and heavy trucks in North America and the worldwide leader in the production of mid-range diesel engines.

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#90304p1972 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI BEACH, FL. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Non-Invasive Monitoring Systems Inc. (NIMS) (NASDAQ: NIMU) today announced results for the year ended July 31, 1990.

For the year ended July 31, 1990, NIMS reported a net loss of approximately $970,000 on net sales of approximately $1,366,000 as compared to a net loss of approximately $830,000 on net sales of approximately $1,506,000 during the fiscal year ended July 31, 1989.

The decrease in sales and increased loss is due, in part, to a reduction in sales of NIMS's Respicentral systems to an affiliated party during fiscal 1990 which was partially offset by an increase in sales of Respitrak, Respisomnograph systems and disposables. In addition, operating expenses increased in fiscal 1990 in large part due to compensation expenses charged as a result of a one-time issuance of common stock to employees, as well as additional General & Administrative, Research & Development, and Selling & Distribution costs incurred.

NIMS, based in Miami Beach, is engaged in developing, manufacturing and marketing computer assisted, non-invasive monitoring devices designed to detect abnormal respiratory, cardiac and other medical conditions from sensors placed on the body's surface.

CONTACT: Lee Rickles of NIMS, 800-654-6467; or Rhonda Seaton of GCI Group, 213-930-0811

-30- 1507

#90304p1973 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHANTILLY, VA. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Banner Industries, Inc. (NYSE: BNR) announced today the sale of its waste water treatment operations for approximately $75 million in cash to North West Water Group PLC, headquartered in Cheshire, England. These operations consist primarily of Envirex Inc. of Waukesha, Wis., and General Filter Company of Ames, Iowa.

Banner had previously announced, on March 15, 1990, its intentions to sell these operations, stating that they were peripheral to its core aerospace and industrial businesses. The sale is subject to U.S. regulatory approval under relevant anti-trust guidelines, and the transaction is expected to close shortly thereafter.

Banner Industries, Inc. is a leading supplier of aerospace and industrial products, and communications services.

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-30- 1129

#90304p1978 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Ciociola & Company, a seven-and-a-half-year-old New York advertising agency with a roster of national clients and more than $32 million in annual billings, will open offices in Philadelphia on Thursday, Nov. 1.

Currently, out of its New York office, Ciociola & Company clients include Xerox Financial Services, San Pellegrino mineral water, Walt Disney's World On Ice, Thrifty Car Rental (a wholly owned subsidiary of Chrysler Corp.), Juvenia watches, Unilever (Brut and Faberge licensing), and The National Arthritis Foundation. The agency has also handled special projects for Piaget, Corum and Movado watches, Citicorp, Toys 'R Us, Almaden Wine, W.R. Grace and Matchbox Toys.

After starting his career at Philadelphia's Gray & Rogers agency, Ciociola spent more than 20 years creating award-winning advertising at major New York agencies including N.W. Ayer, Young & Rubicam and BBDO. Prior to opening Ciociola & Company in 1983, Ciociola was executive vice president/executive creative director at BBDO Chicago. He has worked on 20 of the nation's top 50 advertisers.

Ciociola has personally won dozens of industry awards for creative excellence, including CLIO, ANDY, EFFIE, THE ONE SHOW, Ad Age 100 Best, International Broadcasting Awards, and The Venice Film Festival.

Immediate plans for the Philadelphia office will include meeting and networking with the city's business and community leaders and taking an active

role in the city's civic and commercial mainstream. Ciociola added, "We are staffing our Philadelphia office with top-flight local talent in media and account management, and we will use our New York office to provide strategic and creative support in pursuing new business."

Ciociola's New York offices are located at 888 Seventh Ave., and employs 30 staff personnel.

The firm's Philadelphia headquarters will be located in the penthouse of the Radisson Suites Hotel, 18th Street and the Parkway.

CONTACT: Don McDonough of National Media Consultants, 215-735-3160, for Ciociola & Company

-30- 2278

#90304p1980 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Inland Steel Co. today said it expects to be the first integrated steelmaker to use an innovative, environmentally acceptable cokemaking process to replace most existing byproduct coking facilities.

The announcement follows approval of an agreement between Inland and the Sun Coal Co., a subsidiary of Sun Co. (NYSE: SUN), to proceed with the design and engineering of new heat-recovery cokemaking facilities to be located at Inland's Indiana Harbor Works steel plant in East Chicago, Ind.

In conjunction with the cokemaking facilities, Inland and NIPSCO Development Co., a subsidiary of NIPSCO Industries (NYSE: NI), have agreed to undertake engineering work to jointly develop a comprehensive energy recovery and electric-generating program that utilizes the waste heat from the Indiana Harbor Works.

This project effectively addresses the environmental problems of the Harbor Works' cokemaking operations, the steel plant's major source of air and water pollutants. The new facility will meet all existing and anticipated environmental standards.

Assuming future approvals by the parent company boards, portions of the project are expected to be in operation by the mid-1990s.

Officials of Local 1010 of the United Steelworkers union and Inland Steel Co. have met to discuss the impact of the new facilities on existing coke plant employees. Once plans are completed further discussions will be held to satisfactorily resolve any employment issues.

Sun Coal already operates such an environmentally sound coke plant in Vansant, Va., and will supply the technology to Inland.

Unlike a conventional coke battery, the new Heat Recovery Coke Facility operates under negative pressure so that door leakage, which is the primary source of air emissions in conventional coke batteries, is eliminated. Since there is no byproduct component in the Heat Recovery Coke Facility, there are no process water discharges.

Waste heat from the facility will produce steam to drive adjacent electric generating equipment. Inland's primary power requirements will continue to be supplied by Northern Indiana Public Service Co., a subsidiary of NIPSCO Industries.

The project also anticipates the installation of pulverized coal injection at the steel plant's blast furnaces -- Numbers 5, 6 and 7; the recovery of gases from the blast furnaces and the No. 2 Basic Oxygen Furnace shop; and the construction of power-generation facilities. Pulverized coal injection at the three blast furnaces will reduce their coke requirements by roughly 30 percent and should be in operation by the end of 1992.

NIPSCO Development Co. is a diversified investment subsidiary of NIPSCO Industries Inc., whose primary subsidiary is Northern Indiana Public Service Co., the largest combination natural gas and electric utility in Indiana.

Sun Coal Co. is a subsidiary of Radnor, Pa.-based Sun Co., an energy resources company. Sun Coal has operations in the eastern and western coal regions of the United States.

Inland Steel Co., one of the six largest steel producers in the United States, is a subsidiary of Chicago-based Inland Steel Industries Inc. (NYSE: IAD)

CONTACT: Bob Lefley of Inland, 312-899-3170; or Chris Combs of NIPSCO, 219-853-5276; or Merle Wolfe of Sun Coal, 615-558-3210

-30- 3544

#90304p1982 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - UGI Corp. (NYSE: UGI) today reported a seasonal loss of $7,630,000, or 41 cents a share after preferred dividend requirements, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

In last year's third quarter, the Pennsylvania gas and electric utility and national distributor of propane posted a net loss of $1,929,000, or 14 cents a share. Revenues increased to $51,051,000 from $46,564,000 in the same period a year ago.

James A. Sutton, chairman and chief executive officer, attributed the quarter's deeper loss primarily to UGI's share of a greater loss by its AP Propane joint venture, higher operating expenses in gas utility operations and

a higher seasonal loss in the company's wholly owned propane business.

Interest expense also increased in the period on higher levels of debt, Sutton said, while interest income declined because of lower temporary investments. The reduction in the company's cash and cash equivalent investments resulted from tax payments and deployment of approximately $60 million of the cash proceeds from industrial gases divestiture for propane acquisitions over the past year.

In a related acquisition development, UGI on Monday, Oct. 29, announced that it has agreed in principle to purchase all of the ownership interest of The Prudential Insurance Company of America in the AP Propane joint venture for $62 million.

Sutton said the joint venture's loss widened in the third quarter because of higher operating expenses and a limitation on the recognition of tax benefits attributable to the venture's year-to-date losses.

Operating income in the gas utility declined in the third quarter because of increased operating expenses which more than offset the effect of higher margins in large-volume interruptible markets, Sutton reported. Income in the electric utility was comparable to its performance in last year's third period.

He noted that deeper losses in the second and third quarter "will be the norm for UGI as we continue to grow our gas utility and propane businesses which essentially are distributors of energy for heating. At the same time, we expect to see our growth investments generate enhanced earnings in the high-profit heating season in the fourth and first quarters."

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#90304p1986 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

YPSILANTI, MI (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Flagship Express Inc. (NASDAQ: FLAXC) today announced that based on a post acquisition internal investigation of the financial statements of its Rosenbalm Aviation Inc. subsidiary that it is withdrawing its 1989 audited financial statements and subsequent interim financial statements. The company expects to reissue its financial statements within the next two months.

The company further announced that it is seeking appropriate legal remedies against the selling shareholders of Rosenbalm Aviation Inc.

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-30- 816

#90304p1989 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Orthomet, Inc. (NASDAQ: OMET) reported net sales of $3,251,000 for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net sales of $3,504,000 for the first quarter last year. Net sales were lower due to the elimination of sales of other manufacturers' products in fiscal 1991, while manufactured sales increased slightly, from $3,215,000 last year to $3,251,000 this year. Net earnings for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were $20,000, or $.01 per share, compared to net earnings of $83,000, or $.03 per share for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Thomas A. Wiskow, the company's president, said, "The first quarter comparison reflects the shift in distribution channels which occurred during fiscal 1990, as the mix of discounted sales to stocking distributors increased significantly. This shift to stocking distributors resulted in unit volume increasing faster than revenues. The increased unit volume and the acceptance of the AXIOM Total Knee System has continued to outpace the speed with which we are able to increase our manufacturing capacity. Our back log was reduced slightly during the quarter, but we continued to have approximately $400,000 in orders that could not be filled.

"We are addressing our manufacturing issues with solutions that we believe will fundamentally improve our manufacturing capabilities, but we may continue to experience back-orders in the near term. This long- term approach, together with a growing market acceptance of our products and the continued expansion of our domestic and international distribution network, is expected to increase Orthomet's presence within the orthopedic implant market."

Orthomet, Inc. is in the business of designing, manufacturing and marketing selected orthopedic products, primarily reconstructive knee and hip implants and related surgical instrumentation.

Orthomet is traded on the NASDAQ national over-the-counter market under the symbol "OMET."

CONTACT: Ron McClurg of Orthomet, 612-944-6112

-30- 2194

#90304p1990 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of American Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ: ASLA) announced today that it received a supervisory directive from the Office of Thrift Supervision dated Oct. 29, 1990. The directive has been issued in respect of certain borrowing arrangements between the Association and The Enstar Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: ENST) which owns 50 percent of the common stock of American Savings.

The Office of Thrift Supervision has requested that American Savings consent to the issuance of an order to cease and desist from any unsafe or unsound practice in its transactions with The Enstar Group, Inc. The board of directors and management of American Savings are presently working with the Office of Thrift Supervision and The Enstar Group to accomplish the objectives of the supervisory directive and the proposed cease and desist order.

In connection with the foregoing, the board of directors today accepted the resignation of Harris C. Friedman, its chairman of the board and chief executive officer. Stephen Lazovitz, a member of the American Savings' board of directors was named as the chairman of the board and acting chief executive officer. American Savings Vice Chairman Edward Mahoney was named the Association's president and chief operating officer.

American Savings continues to meet all current regulatory capital requirements. As of Sept. 30, 1990, American Savings had total assets of $4.87 billion, making it the largest Florida based savings and loan association.

American Savings currently operates a network of five mortgage offices and 55 retail banking offices in Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, Pinellas, Hernando and Pasco counties. American Savings is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank System and its deposits are federally insured. American Savings' common shares are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ASLA.

CONTACT: Edward Mahoney, president and COO of American Savings and Loan Association of Florida, 305-770-2099

-30- 2190

#90304p1991 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES PLAINES, IL (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Regenex, Inc. (NASDAQ: RGNX) today is reporting revised sales for the nine-month period ending July 31, 1990, of $3,787,901, rather than $4,127,150 as previously reported.

These results are due to inter-company eliminations.

Profits remain as previously reported.

CONTACT: Sandra Ross of Regenex, 708-803-0790.

-30- 488

#90304p1995 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARLSBAD, CA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Coded Communications Corporation, (Toronto: CCE) today announced operating results for the third quarter ended September 29, 1990 and the first nine months of fiscal 1990.

For the third quarter, the net loss was $152,800, or $.01 per share, compared to a net loss of $212,100, or $.02 per share, in the same quarter last year. Revenues in the quarter were $365,800, down from $473,500 in last year's third quarter.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1990, the net loss was $386,000, or $.04 per share, compared to a net loss of $644,900, or $.07 per share, in the same period last year. Revenues in fiscal 1990 were up slightly to $1,496,200 from $1,466,600 last year.

Robert Hillman, chief executive officer commented, ''Our financial results show marked improvements over last year. However, we continue to experience delays in booking larger system orders for our mobile and status terminal products. As previously announced, we have been selected as the successful bidder on a potential contract to supply a specialized digital radio system. Our customer, a major aerospace and defense contractor, recently completed the testing and evaluation phase of its contract with their customer. We are optimistic the end use customer will elect to move forward on this project before the end of the year.''

He added, ''In the third quarter we installed the first pilot system for our new CMX 5000 mobile data terminal for a courier service operating in San Francisco, California. Installation of the full system is expected before the end of the year. A demonstrable, operating system for the CMX 5000 should help us close a number of opportunities for the CMX 5000.''

CCC Coded Communications Corporation manufactures and designs digital communications equipment used in land mobile radio systems.

CONTACT: Robert L. Hillman, President and CEO of Coded Communications, 619-431-0077; or Arn Schoch of AMF Capital 604-682-0552.

-30- 2156

#90304p2002 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, Conn. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - George P. Rutland, chairman of the board of Northeast Federal Corp. and Northeast Savings, F.A., announced today that Abraham D. Gosman has resigned from both boards of directors. Rutland indicated the reason Gosman gave was that he had recently repurchased his former company, Mediplex, from Avon and this has created enormous demands on his time and energy and would preclude him from regularly attending board meetings. Gosman said, "Once the demands on my time are alleviated, I would like to consider returning to the board as I have enjoyed working with you as well as our fellow directors".

"Mr. Gosman has been an outstanding director and the company has benefitted from his wise advice and counsel. We regret his leaving and he will be sorely missed" Rutland said.

Northeast Savings, F.A., a subsidiary of Northeast Federal Corp., is one of the largest thrift institutions based in New England with 156 yearsof continuous service to its customers. Northeast Savings has retail branches in New York, Connecticut, and Massachusetts and mortgage lending offices in California through a subsidiary.

CONTACT: George P. Rutland, chairman of the board, president and CEO, 203-280-1100

-30- 1427

#90304p2007 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI BEACH, FLA. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Jefferson Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: JBNC), a publicly held bank holding company headquartered in Miami Beach, today reported its financial results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Consolidated net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $332,366 compared to $311,718 for the same period in 1989, an increase of 7 percent. Consolidated net income for the nine months was $1,180,655 compared to $1,569,126 for the same period in 1989, a decrease of 25 percent. The third quarter figures include provision for loan losses of $296,000 as compared to $86,382 for the same period in 1989. Figures for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 include provision for loan losses of $794,000 as compared to $367,382 for the same period in 1989. This increase in loan loss provision for the three and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 was needed to support the company's planned loan growth in 1990 and as a precautionary measure in the uncertain economy. This growth is reflected in the increase of net loans from $194,528,981 at Sept. 30, 1989 to $226,227,275 at Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 17 percent. Consolidated net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 included profit from securities transactions of $317,590 net of income taxes as compared to profit of $72,488 during the same period in 1990. There were no such transactions during the third quarters of 1990 and 1989.

Consolidated assets increased to $358,354,703 as of Sept. 30, 1990, from $354,585,674 a year earlier. Consolidated deposits increased to $305,843,558 as of Sept. 30, 1990 from $299,897,639 a year earlier. Stockholders' equity increased from $34,335,470 as of Sept. 30, 1989 to $34,982,151 as of Sept. 30, 1990 ($36,607,851 before taking into consideration the $.50 cash dividend per share paid to the company's stockholders in the first quarter of 1990). Book value per common share increased from $10.34 at Sept. 30, 1989 to $10.40 at Sept. 30, 1990.

All per-share figures for 1989 have been retroactively adjusted to reflect a 3 percent stock dividend distributed in the second quarter of 1990.

Jefferson Bancorp, Inc., a publicly held bank holding company, owns and

operates three banks with 12 offices in Dade, Broward and Palm Beach counties.

CONTACT: Jacqueline Chiodo of Jefferson Bancorp, Inc., 305-538-4942

-30- 2598

#90304p2014 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Redlaw Industries Inc. (AMEX: RDL) and Galtaco Inc. announced the completion of the sale of the remainder of the tangible assets relating to their former operations in Brantford and Paris, Ontario, Canada, by the sale today of the Brantford foundry to Western Foundry Company Limited. The Orillia operations were sold in 1989 to Dorr-Oliver Canada Limited.

The total sales price for both transactions was Cdn. $9,300,000 which approximates the proceeds of disposition which management projected to receive in respect of these assets. Today's transaction concludes the disposition of all of the tangible Canadian assets of the Galtaco-Redlaw group of companies.

Redlaw will continue to be a supplier to the automotive industry of sheet metal stampings and assemblies through its wholly owned subsidiary, GRM Industries, Inc. and will continue to own its 47.24 percent interest in Johnston Industries, Inc. which is engaged in the manufacture of industrial and apparel textiles.

CONTACT: Frank W. Simpson of Redlaw Industries, Inc., 519-759-0181

-30- 1274

#90304p2015 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

FLINT, MI (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Buick General Manager Edward H. Mertz will introduce the 1991 Roadmaster Estate Wagon and 1992 Roadmaster sedan at a news conference Friday (Nov. 2) at the South Florida Auto Show in Miami.

Roadmaster, one of the great names in Buick history, will appear for the first time in more than three decades as a family of full-size, rear-wheel-drive models powered by V-8 engines.

This will be the first appearance for both models on the auto show circuit. However, they were on display at the Texas State Fair last month because Roadmaster sedan will be built in Arlington, Texas. (Roadmaster Estate Wagon is built in Willow Run, Mich.)

The projected EPA fuel-economy rating for the wagon is 16 mpg city and 25 highway. The sedan rating is not yet available but is expected to at least match the wagon's.

First, late this fall, Buick will introduce the completely redesigned 1991

Roadmaster Estate Wagon. Then, in the spring of 1991, the all-new 1992 Roadmaster and Roadmaster Limited sedans will make their debuts.

The 1991 Roadmaster Estate Wagon is an aerodynamic eight-passenger vehicle -- the first major redesign since 1978 of the most luxurious wagon offered by General Motors.

The sedans will be Buick's first rear-drive automobiles, except Estate Wagon, since the 1987 Regal. They will be the first Buicks, except Estate Wagon, with a standard V-8 engine since the 1985 Riviera.

The Roadmaster name first appeared in 1936 on premium Buick sedans. During the boom years following World War II, Roadmasters were famous for their power, ride and distinctive design.

Roadmasters in that period had four portholes -- officially ventiports -- and other Buick styling features of the late '40s and early '50s: massive "carnivorous" vertical-bar grilles, "sweepspear" side moldings and "hardtop convertible" (no center side pillar) styling on some models. The Roadmaster name was discontinued at the end of the 1958 model year as Buick shifted to new names across its line-up.

CONTACT: Lawrence R. Gustin of Buick Motor Division, 313-236-1418

-30- 2301

#90304p2020 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

BASKING RIDGE, N.J. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - NYCOR, Inc. (NASDAQ: NYCO) announced it filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission today a Schedule 13D, reporting beneficial ownership of 2.2 million shares, or approximately 8.2 percent of the total shares outstanding, of Zenith Electronics Corporation (NYSE: ZE).

NYCOR believes that it is the single largest stockholder of Zenith. NYCOR has acquired the shares as an investment and intends to review the business affairs and financial position of Zenith. NYCOR will take future action regarding its ownership position as is deemed appropriate in light of its evaluations and prevailing economic, industry and securities markets conditions.

NYCOR's future actions may include offering to make a direct capital investment in Zenith or seeking to nominate and elect directors to the board of directors of the company or to acquire control of the company through a tender offer, exchange offer, merger proposal, proxy or consent solicitation or such other actions as NYCOR may deem appropriate, and also may include the purchase of additional shares in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. Alternatively, such actions may involve the sale of all or a portion of NYCOR's holdings of shares in the open market or in privately

negotiated transactions to one or more purchasers.

NYCOR currently has no operating businesses and is principally engaged in a search for businesses to acquire and operate. NYCOR's objective is to purchase underperforming manufacturing assets that fit well with management's experience in manufacturing and marketing.

CONTACT: Mark Greenberg or Vince Duffy of Adams & Rinehart, 212-557-0100, for NYCOR

-30- 1892

#90304p2032 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boston office of Della Femina McNamee will become a new, independent advertising agency named Lawner Reingold Britton & Partners, effective immediately. Lawner Reingold Britton & Partners will be headed by Ron Lawner, chairman and creative director; Mike Reingold, president; Rick Britton, chief operating officer; and Chuck Matzell, executive vice president, associate creative director.

Lawner Reingold Britton & Partners has been formed by relaunching the Boston office of Dallas Femina McNamee, Inc. as a separate agency. The principals of the new agency have acquired an equity position.

In addition, DFM Direct will become Orsatti & Parrish, Inc., headed by President Lou Orsatti and Executive Vice President, Creative Director Frank Parrish.

The new agency starts its new life with a solid base of clients, including Allied Aftermarket, Bank of Boston, Digital Equipment Corporation, Kinney Shoes, New England Oldsmobile Dealers, Stanley Tools, Titleist and Foot-Joy, and WBZ-TV.

Lawner Reingold Britton & Partners has billings of $80 million and employs 102 people.

CONTACT: Ron Lawner of Lawner Reingold Britton, 617-737-6565, or Steve Conroy of Conroy Public Relations, 617-737-6623 or 617-367-3197 (home), for Lawner Reingold Britton

-30- 1475

#90304p2035 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, AL (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Energen Corp. (NYSE: EGN), the leading coalbed methane operator in Alabama, is pleased that the tax credit on coalbed methane production has been extended for two years, according to Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Rex J. Lysinger.

"Development of domestic energy sources must be a part of our national energy policy," Lysinger said, "and the tax credit extension should enhance opportunities for future coalbed methane development by offering economic returns sufficient to warrant investment."

The tax credit extension is part of the 1991 budget package approved by Congress on Saturday and awaiting the signature of President Bush. The credit is designed to stimulate development of domestic energy resources which could not be economically produced under current market conditions.

The new deadline by which a well must be drilled in order to qualify for the tax credit is Dec. 31, 1992, and the credit now applies to production through the year 2002.

For every thousand cubic feet of coalbed methane produced, the tax credit currently reduces investors' income tax liability by approximately 86 cents, and the credit increases annually with inflation.

"We believe Energen's prospects for future coalbed methane development are excellent, given our operating expertise and extensive knowledge," Lysinger said.

Through Taurus Exploration, Energen is involved in four major coalbed methane development projects in the Black Warrior Basin. These projects will represent 850 to 875 wells. Taurus will operate more than 725 of the wells, which represent an investment of more than $220 million by Amoco Production Company, Chevron U.S.A., TECO Energy Inc., Gulf States Paper Corp., and Energen. Over the life of these four projects, Taurus's portion of ultimate recoverable reserves could exceed 85 billion cubic feet.

Energen Corp. is a diversified energy holding company based in Birmingham, Ala. Its primary lines of business are gas distribution and oil and gas exploration and production.

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-30- 2300

#90304p2038 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMINGTON, MN (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Mall of America Company announced today that it has completed the loan closing process with Mitsubishi Bank Limited, Mitsui Trust and Banking Company Limited, Chuo Trust and Banking Company Limited, and Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America. The $625 million loan is for construction of the 4.2 million square foot project.

"We're proud that some the largest and most respected financial institutions in the world have committed themselves to this tremendous project," said

Herbert Simon, president of Melvin Simon & Associates. "Their association with Mall of America is a clear indicator that this is a world-class project with strong potential.

"Closing a loan of this magnitude has been a long and tedious process," Simon added. "We're happy that all the t's have been crossed and the i's dotted as final confirmation of what we've known all along, that this project is a 'go.'"

Arthur W. Spellmeyer, senior vice president of Melvin Simon & Associates, developer of Mall of America, said, "We are extremely pleased that the loan process has been concluded. This announcement is an important milestone in the project's development. Having the loan close means that all the pieces are finally in place and we can proceed with our plans to open this world-class center."

Spellmeyer also commented that, "Mall of America is an exceptionally large and complex project. While a signed commitment from our lenders has been in place for some time, it has required a great deal of time to review all the intricate details of the project."

Melvin Simon & Associates' vice president of development, E. Robert Horn, added, "Construction at Mall of America is well underway and right on schedule. We're beginning construction on our major anchor stores -- Bloomingdale's, Macy's, Nordstrom and Sears. With regard to leasing, we have commitments for about half of the smaller store spaces in the project. The response to Mall of America from U.S.-based and international retailers has been very strong. Our leasing team has made several visits to Europe and is leaving shortly for Tokyo to meet with Japanese specialty stores. International retailers have shown great interest in Mall of America."

Currently, more than 300 construction workers are putting 13,300 tons of structural steel into place at the Mall of America site. Working through winter and spring, crews will begin enclosing and roofing the entire mall structure. Two seven-level parking decks will be constructed over the next year as well and by the Fall of 1991, developer's expect nearly 3,000 construction workers to be working on site. When opened, Mall of America will employ an estimated 10,000 people.

Mall of America Company is a partnership between subsidiaries of Indianapolis-based Melvin Simon & Associates and Triple Five Corporation, Ltd. based in Edmonton, Alberta.

CONTACT: Maureen Hooley, 612-851-3500, or Billie Scott, 317-263-7148, for Mall of America

-30- 3199

#90304p2040 10/31/1990 ~PR Newswire

FRESNO, CA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Community First Bank's holding company, Pacific Bancorporation (NASDAQ: PABC), announced third quarter 1990 consolidated net earnings of $274,291 or $.18 per share, compared to $78,120 or $.02 per share during the same period in 1989.

For the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, consolidated net earnings were $578,963 or $.34 per share. During the same period in 1989, net earnings were $636,798 or $.39 per share.

Book value rose to $7.76 as of Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $7.43 a year earlier. Both deposits and loans increased from the comparable prior year nine-month period. Deposits rose to $198,786,758 from $186,820,547, while loans increased to $142,729,654 from $138,488,370.

Bank Chairman of the Board Henry L. Wheeler noted that interest income for the nine-month period was up $358,307 from the comparable 1989 period as a result of increased loan demand. The additional income, however, was not sufficient to offset a $385,944 interest expense increase in the cost of funds.

Wheeler attributed the higher net earnings for the quarter to a successful expense reduction plan instituted earlier in the year and to increased loan demand. "We expect to continue to see positive results during the remainder of the year from our efforts to curtail expenses while increasing our loan portfolio," Wheeler said.

Bakersfield-headquartered Community First Bank serves the San Joaquin Valley and adjacent areas through 19 branches from Atwater to Taft.

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IRVINE, CA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Mazda Motor of America today announced a price increase on some of its 1991 passenger cars and trucks sold in the United States. On a sales-weighted average, the increase is 2.4 percent, or $312.

Prices on vehicles in existing dealer stocks are not affected. The price increases are effected for vehicles arriving at Mazda dealers on or after Nov. 1.

Said Clark J. Vitulli, chief operating officer for Mazda Motor of America Inc. "Despite this price increase, the typical, as-equipped price of many of our 1991 models is actually less than the same 1990 vehicle with the same equipment, thanks to our Value pack strategy.

"Mazda's philosophy is to market well-equipped, attractively priced vehicles

that will enhance our reputation for exceptional value. Our entire 1991 pricing strategy, including Value Packs, reflects this position," added Vitulli. "The fact that Mazda sales are up 10.4 percent for the model year to date, and 3.6 percent for the calendar year to date reflects that the consumer has been receptive to this approach."

The price of the latest addition to Mazda's product line, the Navajo sports utility vehicle, is unchanged, as are the prices of the 323 Hatchback, Mazda's lowest-priced vehicle, and the Protege 4WD compact sedan.

1991 MAZDA PASSENGER CARS
Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Prices
(Effective Nov. 1, 1990)

	Mazda 323
323 hatchback (5-spd manual)	$6,899
323 SE hatchback (5-spd manual)	7,899
Mazda Protege	
4-door sedan DX (5-spd manual)	$9,699
4-door sedan LX (5-spd manual)	11,299
4-door sedan 4WD (5-spd manual)	11,239
Mazda 626	
626 DX 4-door sedan (5-spd manual)	$12,529
626 LX 4-door sedan (5-spd manual)	14,099
626 LX 5-door sedan (5-spd manual)	14,499
626 GT 5-door sedan (5-spd manual)	16,099
Mazda 929	
929 4-door sedan (4-spd automatic)	$23,500
929 S 4-door sedan (4-spd automatic)	25,000
Mazda MX-6	
MX-6 DX 2-door coupe (5-spd manual)	$12,329
MX-6 LX 2-door coupe (5-spd manual)	14,099
MX-6 GT 2-door coupe (5-spd manual)	16,419
Mazda Miata	
2-door convertible (5-spd manual)	$14,200
Mazda RX-7	
Coupe (5-spd manual)	$19,750
Turbo (5-spd manual)	27,100
Convertible (5-spd manual)	28,150
Mazda MPV	
2-passenger van (4-spd automatic)	$12,665
5-passenger wagon/van (5-spd manual)	13,985
5-passenger wagon/van (4-spd automatic)	14,705
7-passenger wagon (5-spd manual)	15,385
7-passenger wagon (4-spd automatic)	16,095
7-passenger wagon, V6 (4-spd automatic)	16,865
7-passenger 4WD wagon, V6 (4-spd automatic)	19,535

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LOS ANGELES (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeles Corp. (AMEX: ANG) has announced the conclusion of its offering to Angeles unitholders to exchange a portion of their units (AMEX: ANG.E) for Angeles common stock. The offering closed Oct. 26, 1990.

Angeles said that preliminary results show that approximately 160,000 units were tendered, representing 9 percent of the total outstanding units. All units tendered are being accepted for exchange. Final numbers will be announced as soon as they are available.

In the exchange offering, tendering unitholders received 3.1 shares of Angeles common stock for each unit tendered. Each Angeles unit consists of one-half share of Angeles common stock, subordinated indebtedness in the form of one fiftieth of a $1,000 12 1/2 percent subordinated debenture maturing in 2005 and the cash payment of a total of $.875 of principal to be paid over the next three-and-one-half years. (A principal payment of $.125 per unit was paid Oct. 15, 1990.)

Angeles Corp. is a diversified investment management company whose subsidiaries manage in excess of $4 billion of securities, real estate, mutual fund and leased equipment assets for corporations, institutions and 127,000 individual investors.

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CLARENDON HILLS, IL. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - MAF Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MAFB), the parent holding company of Mid America Federal Savings Bank, reported that at its annual meeting held today, shareholders of the company re-elected Allen Koranda, Richard Kallal and Jerry Krudl as directors of MAF Bancorp, each for a three-year term. The company also reported that shareholders approved various stock- related benefit plans of the company and the bank.

Mid America Federal Savings Bank is a federally chartered stock savings bank. The bank operates a network of 13 retail banking offices primarily in the western suburbs of Chicago. The stock of MAF Bancorp, Inc. is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol MAFB.

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LANHAM, MD. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Range Rover of North America, Inc. announced today that the 1991 British-built, luxury sport utility vehicle will have more standard equipment, a longer warranty and revised suspension tune. The manufacturer's suggested retail price is $42,400, an increase of 1 percent over a comparably equipped 1990 model.

"We feel the '91 model represents an even better long-term value considering its versatility, improved driving characteristics and longer warranty coverage " said Charles R. Hughes, president.

Among practical advances in the aluminum-bodied four-by-four are the addition of front and rear anti-sway bars, revised shock absorber valving and spring rates. There is an 8-percent increase in driving range thanks to a larger fuel tank and an increase in the full vehicle limited warranty from 3 years/36,000 miles to 3 years/42,000 miles.

Features made standard in the '91 model include leather upholstery, choice of exterior finish colors, interior wood and leather trim, seven speaker premium sound system, and auto-dimming rear view mirror. New features include heated door locks, improved soundproofing and an optional glass sunroof that results in greater headroom.

"When buyers consider the level of luxury combined with structural security, high driving position and pride of ownership, the 1991 Range Rover is an outstanding automotive investment," said Hughes.

All Range Rovers have a 3.9-liter fuel-injected 178 horsepower aluminum V-8 engine, anti-lock four-wheel disc brakes, a viscous coupled two-speed transfer case, permanent four-wheel drive and automatic transmission.

Since its introduction in 1987, more than 14,000 Range Rovers have been sold in the United States. Monthly sales records were set in July and August of 1990. More information can be obtained by calling 1-800-FINE-4WD.

Sold through a network of 79 dealers in the U.S. and Canada, Range Rover is imported by Range Rover of North America, Inc., Lanham. The vehicle is manufactured by the Rover Group Ltd. at the Land Rover facilities in Solihull, England.

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RESTON, VA (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Freddie Mac (NYSE: FRE) today announced

record third quarter net income of $123 million, or $2.05 per share, up 10 percent over $112 million in net income, or $1.86 per share, for the same period a year ago.

For the first nine months of 1990, Freddie Mac's net income was $352 million, or $5.87 per share, up 9 percent over $322 million in earnings, or $5.37 per share, reported in 1989. Per share amounts for 1989 are restated to reflect the retirement of all 100,000 shares of non-voting common stock in February 1990.

Freddie Mac also reported an after-tax market value of assets in excess of liabilities of $4.9 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $2.1 billion in stockholders' equity under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for the same period. The increase in mark-to-market value after taxes, from $4.4 billion for the second quarter of 1990 to $4.9 billion for the third quarter of 1990, is due to a combination of the increased value of servicing on passthrough-financed mortgages, additional Mortgage Participation Certificate (PC) settlements and enhancements to estimation methods.

"The continued growth in our net interest margin shows the underlying strength of our revenue stream, a vital on-going measure of our performance," said Leland C. Brendsel, Freddie Mac's chairman and chief executive officer. "We also view the mark-to-market value of our assets over liabilities as a crucial measure of performance and financial strength."

Robert J. Quinlan, Freddie Mac's senior vice president of control, financial reporting and tax, attributed net income growth between the third quarters of 1989 and 1990 primarily to a $45 million, or 16 percent, increase in net interest margin. This included:

-- an $18 million increase in management and guarantee fees, primarily due to a 19 percent increase in the average balance of the sold portfolio;

-- a $17 million increase in net return on retained mortgage and investment portfolios, primarily due to a significant increase in spreads resulting from the decline in short-term borrowing rates; and

-- a $10 million increase in net float benefit due to higher prepayments, offsetting a decline in short-term reinvestment rates.

Freddie Mac is a stockholder-owned corporation chartered by Congress in 1970 to create a continuous flow of funds to mortgage lenders in support of home ownership and rental housing. By linking the capital markets with the mortgage markets, Freddie Mac brings the efficiencies and lower costs of the secondary mortgage market to the lender, the investor and the homebuyer. Over the years, Freddie Mac has helped finance one in eight American homes, including more than 700,000 apartment units.

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PORTLAND, ORE. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Riedel Environmental Technologies Inc. (RET) (AMEX: RIE) announced today earnings of $449,000, or 13 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30. This amounts to an earnings increase of 10 cents per share compared to the same period a year ago. New revenue records were set for the third quarter and nine-month period of 1990 with third-quarter revenues of $28.3 million and nine-month revenues of $72.5 million.

Riedel President and Chief Operating Officer J.H. Dastur stated, "These earnings reflect a dramatic turnaround from the past three quarters. Our environmental services and engineering operations, buoyed by several large projects, have rebounded very positively."

A nine-month 1990 loss of 15 cents per share compared to income of 31 cents per share in 1989 was posted by RET. This loss is the result of lower profit margins recorded in the first six months of the year. Several oil spills and a landfill operation contributed to 1989's higher profits.

In announcing the record revenue levels Dastur said revenues increased substantially in spite of a decline in EPA contract revenues, reaffirming the company's commitment to a marketing program aimed at the private sector.

Dastur continued, "We are very pleased with the improved results of this quarter and we remain highly enthusiastic about the future. In addition to our many opportunities in the U.S., our projects in Taiwan continue to expand rapidly and we are in the process of establishing an international branch in Taipei." The company previously announced that through a joint venture with Riedel International, an affiliated marine and heavy civil construction and dredging company, a contract had been signed with Chinese Petroleum Corp. for groundwater decontamination system design and services.

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SEATTLE (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunex Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNX) today announced the public offering of 1.5 million shares of the company's common stock at a price of $23 per share. The First Boston Corp., Invemed Associates Inc., and Hambrecht & Quist Inc. managed the underwriting syndicate offering the stock.

The underwriters have been granted an option to purchase up to an additional 225,000 shares to cover over-allotments.

Immunex intends to use the net proceeds of the offering to fund construction of manufacturing facilities, working capital requirements, expenses associated with development, clinical testing and marketing of pharmaceutical products, and general corporate purposes. Following the offering, Immunex will have approximately 11.8 million shares outstanding (assuming no issuance of the over-allotment shares).

Immunex is a leading biotechnology firm focused on the research, development, manufacture and marketing of immunological therapeutic products. In 1989 Immunex began accelerating its strategic plan to become a biopharmaceutical company engaged in manufacturing, marketing, selling and distribution of products as well as research. Immunex began expanding its proprietary product portfolio through product acquisitions, and in 1990, filed Product and Establishment License Applications with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for its first proprietary product, LEUKINE(TM) granulocyte macrophage colony stimulating factor (GM-CSF).

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HOUSTON (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - NL Industries, Inc., (NYSE: NL), a major producer of titanium dioxide pigments and specialty chemicals, announced that its third quarter 1990 net income was $16.4 million, or $.25 per share. Net income for the same quarter of 1989 was $65.8 million, or $.99 per share. Net sales for the 1990 quarter were $221.0 million compared to net sales of $249.5 million ($231.9 million for comparable units) for the 1989 quarter. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $81.9 million, or $1.23 per share on net sales of $679.3 million, compared to net income of $152.5 million, or $2.30 per share, on net sales of $761.5 million ($691.6 million for comparable units) for the first nine months of 1989.

Operating income of the titanium dioxide pigments segment in the third quarter of 1990 was $49.1 million compared to $70.7 million for the comparable 1989 period primarily due to lower sales volumes and selling prices and higher production costs. Operating income for the first nine months of 1990 was $181.1 million compared to $211.7 million for the comparable 1989 period primarily as a result of lower sales volumes. The declines in 1990 sales volumes were primarily in the European and export markets. Customers' reductions in inventory levels due to the improved availability of titanium dioxide pigments contributed to the decline in sales volumes.

Specialty chemicals segment operating income for comparable units in 1990, excluding a charge in the third quarter related to the settlement of certain

patent infringement litigation, approximated 1989 amounts. Operating income for the first nine months of 1989 included $6.0 million related to NL's former U.S. specialty resins unit which was sold in August 1989. Pre-tax gains on disposition of business units aggregated $33.5 million in 1989, including $25.0 million in the third quarter, relating to the sale of the U.S. specialty resins unit.

Securities transactions include gains from the sale of Georgia Gulf Corporation securities in 1990 and 1989. Interest and dividend income increased due to higher levels of funds available for investments. The increase in interest expense in 1990 is attributable to additional Deutsche Mark financing obtained by a subsidiary of the company.

General corporate expenses increased in the first nine months of 1990, due principally to expenses associated with the company's solicitation of proxies for Lockheed Corporation's 1990 annual meeting of stockholders and related litigation. The comparable 1989 period included expenses incurred related to an organizational restructuring of the company's non-U.S. operations.

Extraordinary items relate principally to the early redemption of certain sinking fund debentures in the third quarter of 1990 and to the income tax benefits of utilization of net operating loss carryforwards in 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, NL had recorded a $231.5 million cumulative charge to common shareholders' equity, including $95.6 million recorded during the third quarter, resulting from the decline in market value of NL's 19.8 percent holding of Lockheed common stock.

As previously reported, NL's board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to 5 million shares of NL's common stock, over an unspecified period of time, to be held as treasury shares available for general corporate purposes. During October 1990, NL purchased 1.8 million shares of its common stock on the open market for $20.7 million (average $11.23 per share).

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SALT LAKE CITY (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - American Stores Company (NYSE: ASC) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Skaggs Alpha Beta Inc., completed the sale of its Buttrey Food and Drug Division to an investment group led by the management of Buttrey and Freeman Spogli & Co., a Los Angeles-based merchant banking firm.

American will receive an aggregate of $184 million from the sale, $180 million of which will be cash proceeds and $4 million of which will be in the form of capital lease assumptions. American will retain existing debt obligations

related to the Buttrey Division in the approximate amount of $36 million for mortgages and trade payables.

The Buttrey Food and Drug Division is headquartered in Great Falls, Mont., and operates 44 food and combination food/drug stores in six states with annual sales of approximately $475 million.

Freeman Spogli & Co. has been exclusively devoted to organizing and investing in management buyouts since 1983 and has arranged 14 management-led acquisitions with aggregate transaction values in excess of $2.4 billion.

American Stores Company is headquartered in Salt Lake City. Following the sale of the Buttrey Division, it will operate 1,847 food and drug stores in 37 states.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA, (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - In the first nine months of 1990, Asamera Minerals Inc. (Montreal, Toronto: AUA) had net income of $2,169,000, compared with $2,618,000 in the same period in 1989. Net income in the third quarter of 1990 was $1,568,000, compared with $1,159,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Net revenues were down slightly for the nine-month period, and up 6 percent for the quarter, compared with the same periods in 1989, as a result of differences in ore grades mined. Operating expenses increased 7 percent for the nine-month period, and decreased 3 percent for the quarter. This was attributable to the Gooseberry Tailing Project, which became operational in the third quarter of 1989.

Cash flow provided by operations was $8,873,000 for the first nine months of 1990, compared with $10,499,000 for the same period in 1989. Cash flow for the third quarter of 1990 was $3,981,000 compared with $3,232,000 for the third quarter of 1989. The differences reflect the variations in net income, and the proceeds from the settlement of an insurance claim received in 1989.

Total shipments for the first nine months were 61,969 net ounces of gold and 336,996 net ounces of silver, a decrease of 3 percent and an increase of 1 percent, respectively, compared with the first nine months of 1989. Third quarter shipments were 23,889 net ounces of gold and 97,845 net ounces of silver, an increase of 4 percent and a decrease of 22 percent, respectively, compared with the third quarter of 1989. The silver decline was due primarily to lower-grade ore at the Gooseberry mine.

A highlight of the third quarter was the 14-hole drilling program at Asamera Minerals' joint venture on the Meliadine River in the Northwest Territories.

The drilling was done as follow-up to the company's July announcement of a gold discovery at the site, and 11 of the holes encountered gold mineralization. Additional exploration is planned for 1991.

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SAN FRANCISCO, (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of up to $1.00/bbl was effective today at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$34.00 for West Texas Intermediate $32.00 for West Texas Sour $34.50 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore)

New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E63. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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GREAT FALLS, MONT. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - The completion of the acquisition of the Buttrey Food and Drug chain, a division of American Stores Company (NYSE: ASC), by a management-led investor group was announced by Buttrey management and Freeman Spogli & Co. today. The investor group includes Buttrey's management, Freeman Spogli & Co. and institutional investors. The purchase price paid to American Stores Company of $184 million included a cash payment of $180 million and the assumption of capital leases totaling $4 million.

Buttrey Food and Drug Company operates 44 combination food/drug stores and two distribution centers in Montana, Wyoming, Washington, North Dakota, Idaho and Utah. Revenues for the 53-week fiscal year ended Feb. 3, 1990, were $475.9 million. The company is headquartered in Great Falls, Mont., and employs 4,500 people.

Ed Agnew, president and CEO of Buttrey Food and Drug Company, said, "This purchase is the right thing for our customers, the communities we serve and, especially, our employees. The new ownership structure allows us maximum

flexibility to run our business in both the short- and long-term.

"Our ability to offer our employees wages and benefits which mirror what was in place, along with the creation of a new profit sharing plan, allows us to retain our dedicated existing employees and, at the same time, attract high quality new employees. The success of the new Buttrey depends upon our ability to maintain the tradition of service to our customers, and so it is critical that we have that strong experience base going forward.

"Buttrey began business in Montana in 1896 and started a legacy of providing quality products and friendly home-town service. The move back to private ownership affords us the opportunity to rededicate ourselves to that tradition."

Buttrey was family-owned until 1966 when it was acquired by Jewel Companies. American Stores Company acquired Jewel Companies in 1984. Buttrey Food and Drug was operated as a division of American Stores Company. In 1986, the management of Buttrey was consolidated with other divisions of American Stores Company in Salt Lake City. In late 1987, local management of Buttrey was re-established in Great Falls, Mont.

Freeman Spolgi & Co. is a private merchant banking firm with offices in Los Angeles and New York exclusively dedicated to organizing and investing in management buyout acquisitions. Freeman Spogli & Co. has arranged 14 management buyouts valued at more than $2.4 billion since 1983. FS Equity Partners II, L.P. is a $425 million investment partnership formed in 1988 to invest in management buyouts organized by Freeman Spogli & Co. Investors in the partnership include some of the largest institutional investors in the United States, including corporate and public pension funds, insurance companies, commercial bank holding companies and other public corporations.

Financing for the acquisition of Buttrey Food and Drug was provided through a combination of loans from a bank group led by Bankers Trust Company and Morgan Guaranty Trust Company, subordinated notes from a group of insurance companies and the sale of common stock. Investors in the common stock include Buttrey's management, FS Equity Partners II, L.P., affiliates of Bankers Trust Company and Morgan Guaranty Trust Company, and purchasers of the subordinated notes.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA, (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - Encor Inc. (Toronto: ECR) today announced that it has signed a gas supply letter agreement to provide natural gas on a long-term basis for power generation in northern Ontario.

Under the terms of the letter agreement, approximately 140 billion cubic feet of natural gas will be sold over a twenty-year period at prices which will be redetermined periodically. Natural gas deliveries are expected to commence in 1993 at rates of approximately 20 million cubic feet per day.

In September 1990, Encor was selected to supply natural gas to the Vancouver Island core market at an initial rate of 5 million cubic feet per day starting in the fall of 1991.

Both agreements are subject to the execution of formal contracts and the obtaining of the necessary regulatory approvals.

''These gas sales opportunities represent penetration into new market areas for Encor," stated Charles W. Fischer, president of Encor, ''which emphasize Encor's overall gas marketing strategy of buyer and market diversification.''

Encor is a senior Canadian public company actively exploring for and producing oil and natural gas in western Canada and internationally. At year end 1989, Encor reported established reserves of 146 million barrels of liquids and 1.3 trillion cubic feet of gas.

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EVERETT, WA. (OCT. 31) PR NEWSWIRE - INTERMEC Corp. (NASDAQ: INTR) today announced a restructuring of its senior staff to accommodate future growth.

Joseph E. Beebe has been named executive vice president and chief operating officer, assuming full responsibility for day-to-day operations of the corporation, including field sales operations.

Gregory L. Tannheimer has been named senior vice president, assuming full responsibility for worldwide marketing, sales channel development, product strategy and new business ventures.

Both Beebe and Tannheimer will continue reporting directly to John W. Paxton, chairman and chief executive officer. Paxton characterized these changes as "necessary to continue to meet the unique requirements of our customers and to fully address both our long-term strategic needs and the increasing demands of our day-to-day operations."

INTERMEC began as a pioneer in bar code technology over 20 years ago with a handfull of employees working out of renovated Edmonds grocery store. The company today is a worldwide leader in automated data collection systems and support, with over 1,600 employees and $168 million annual revenue.

Beebe and Tannheimer both are prepared to take advantage of the anticipated growth. Beebe has been a vice president of operations and senior vice president involved in day-to-day operations at INTERMEC for four years. His responsibilities have included all manufacturing, engineering, quality assurance and materials. Prior to joining INTERMEC, he was general manager of unit operations at Midland Ross Corp., Aerospace/Grimes Division. Beebe holds a BSEE degree from Indiana Institute of Technology and has done post-graduate work at Arizona State University.

Tannheimer joined INTERMEC six years ago as director of national sales and for the last five years has served as vice president of domestic sales and marketing and vice president of sales and service operations. During his tenure, Tannheimer oversaw the successful acquisition of INTERMEC's domestic sales channel, a key component of INTERMEC's long-term growth strategy which was widely heralded by industry analysts as an astute venture and an accomplishment which positioned the company for rapid growth. Prior to joining INTERMEC, Tannheimer was director of marketing for HICOMP Computer Corp., and director of marketing at Data I/O Corp. He received a BBA from the University of Wisconsin, where he also did post graduate work.

"I am confident," Paxton said, "that all of our 1,600 team members will respond well to these improvements and take advantage of the growth opportunities available to us in the years ahead."

For further information, contact INTERMEC Corp., 6001 36th Avenue West, P.O. Box 4280, Everett, WA, 98203-9280, telephone 206-348-2600, telex 3794197, or FAX 206-355-9551.

A pioneer in bar code technology and a world leader in solutions for data collection, INTERMEC is a fully-integrated data collection systems company which designs, manufactures and markets the most comprehensive line of data collection hardware, software, media products, systems and services available for computer integrated transaction processing worldwide.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 31) TASS - THE LAUNCHING OF THE ALMAZ NEW-GENERATION SATELLITE WILL OPEN NEW VISTAS FOR COSMONAUTICS. THE SATELLITE DESIGNED TO PERFORM ALL-WEATHER RADAR PROBING OF THE EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE AND THE WORLD OCEAN IN THE INTERESTS OF THE SOVIET ECONOMY, IS SCHEDULED FOR BLAST-OFF IN LATE NOVEMBER-EARLY DECEMBER, HEAD OF THE SOVIET SPACE AGENCY GLAVKOSMKOS ALEXANDER DUNAYEV TOLD JOURNALISTS TODAY.

DUNAYEV DWELT ON PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED BY GLAVKOSMOS AS THE COUNTRY SWITCHES TO A MARKET ECONOMY.

"GIVEN THE PRESENT BUDGET, IT IS DIFFICULT EVEN TO PRESERVE THE EXISTING LEVEL OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH INTO SPACE," DUNAYEV SAID. "OUR TASK IS TO PRESERVE SCIENTIFIC POTENTIAL, NOT TO LOSE PERSONNEL. THE UTILISATION OF OUR SCIENTIFIC POTENTIAL AND THE ACCUMULATED EXPERIENCE IN SPACE EXPLORATION WILL PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION. WE BEAR IN MIND HERE NOT ONLY THE USE OF OUR DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS AND TECHNOLOGIES BY FOREIGN SCIENTISTS, BUT ALSO THE FULFILMENT OF ORDERS FROM FOREIGN PARTNERS," DUNAYEV SAID.

SPECIALISTS EMPHASISED AT THE BRIEFING THAT THE SCIENCE OF THE EARTH AS WELL AS MANY BRANCHES OF THE SOVIET ECONOMY CANNOT DEVELOP EFFECTIVELY TODAY WITHOUT COMPREHENSIVELY APPLYING THE RESULTS OF EARTH EXPLORATION FROM SPACE.

THE MULTIZONAL SURVEY OF THE EARTH'S SURFACE AND THE WORLD OCEAN FROM SPACE WITH THE AID OF THE RESURS REMOTE PROBING SYSTEM PROVIDES SPECIALISTS WITH VALUABLE INFORMATION WHICH IS USED IN THE INTERESTS OF THE ECOLOGY, GEOLOGY, OCEANOLOGY, FORESTRY, AGRICULTURE AND LAND MANAGEMENT. AREAS STRUCK BY FLOODS, FOREST FIRES AND VOLCANO ERUPTIONS CAN BE PERIODICALLY OBSERVED AND NATURAL CALAMITIES MONITORED ONLY FROM SPACE.

THE EFFICIENCY OF THE REMOTE PROBING OF THE EARTH FROM SPACE CAN BE JUDGED BY THE FACT THAT ONE PICTURE TAKEN FROM SPACE COVERS AN AREA OF THE EARTH'S SURFACE 36,000 SQUARE KILOMETERS IN SIZE.

IT TAKES A SATELLITE ONLY THREE TO FIVE MINUTES TO BEAM BACK THE NUMBER OF PHOTOS WHICH AN AIRCRAFT MAKES DURING TWO YEARS. THE COST OF PHOTOGRAPHING ONE SQUARE KILOMETER FROM SPACE RANGES FROM 28 TO 99 KOPECKS AND OF AEROPHOTOGRAPHY - FROM 1.2 TO 2.7 ROUBLES.

SPECIALISTS ARE PRESENTLY SWITCHING TO A COMPREHENSIVE SURVEY OF WHOLE REGIONS. THEY HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED THE SCANNING OF TADZHIKISTAN, THE KALMYK REPUBLIC, STRAVROPOL TERRITORY AND THE TVER REGION, CENTRAL RUSSIA. WORK TO PROBE THE NOVGOROD REGION, THE CENTRAL PART OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, IS NOW BEING FINALIZED.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 31) TASS - THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT TODAY APPROVED A TOUGH LAW AGAINST PROFITEERING, ILLEGAL TRADING AND ABUSES IN TRADE. AS ITS PREAMBLE NOTES, IT WILL OPERATE "DURING THE STABILISATION OF THE SOVIET ECONOMY IN THE PERIOD OF TRANSITION TO A MARKET ECONOMY".

SUBMITTING THE NEW VERSION OF THE BILL AMENDED AFTER THE FIRST READING LAST WEEK, CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND ORDER AND CRIME CONTROL YURI GOLIK SAID THAT THE ACT WOULD HELP PROTECT SOCIALLY LOW PRICES SET BY THE STATE.

"COMING TO A STATE-RUN SHOP, CONSUMERS MUST BE SURE THAT STATE-SUBSIDISED

GOODS WILL GET TO THEM AND NOT TO A SECOND-HAND DEALER WHO WOULD LIKE TO LINE HIS POCKETS FROM THE DIFFERENCE IN PRICES," GOLIK SAID.

HE STRESSED THAT PROFITEERING IN THE USSR IS ASSUMING MORE ORGANISED AND PROFESSIONAL FORMS. INDIVIDUAL PROFITEERS ARE BEING OUSTED FROM THE BLACK MARKET BY CRIMINAL GROUPS. IT IS POSSIBLE TO DETECT A CLEAR TREND TOWARDS A CRIMINAL MONOPOLY ON PRICES, GOLIK SAID.

FOR THIS PURPOSE, "SECOND-HAND DEALERS BUY UP HUGE CONSIGNMENTS OF GOODS, STASH THEM AWAY FOR SOME TIME AND THEN DICTATE PRICES," HE CONTINUED.

GOLIK STRESSED THAT THE ACT INTERPRETS PROFITEERING AS THE CORNERING IN OF GOODS FOR WHICH STATE RETAIL PRICES ARE SET, AND THEIR RESALE TO SKIM PROFITS.

SUCH ACTIONS ARE PUNISHABLE BY PRISON TERMS OF UP TO THREE YEARS OR CORRECTIONAL LABOUR OF UP TO TWO YEARS WITH POSSIBLE CONFISCATION OF PROPERTY, OR A FINE OF UP TO 5,000 ROUBLES.

STIFFER PENALTIES ARE PROVIDED FOR REPEAT OFFENDERS OR FOR PROFITEERING ON A LARGE SCALE, OR IN COLLUSION WITH A GROUP OF PEOPLE, AS WELL AS FOR TRADE WORKERS MISUSING THEIR OFFICIAL POSITIONS: A FINE UP TO 15,000 ROUBLES OR PRISON TERMS OF UP TO TEN YEARS.

SPECIAL PENALTIES ARE PROVIDED FOR THE ILLEGAL SALE OF GOODS FROM WAREHOUSES OF TRADING ESTABLISHMENTS.

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MOSCOW (OCT. 31) TASS - THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT INSISTS ON BEGINNING THE FULFILLMENT OF THE "500-DAYS" PLAN TO STABILISE THE ECONOMY AND INTRODUCE MARKET RELATIONS ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1, RUSSIAN PRIME MINISTER IVAN SILAYEV TOLD THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT TODAY.

HE NOTED THAT THE RESOLUTION ON URGENT MEASURES TO STABILISE THE ECONOMY AND THE PLAN FOR THE TRANSFER TO MARKET RELATIONS, PASSED BY THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT ENVISAGED "A CERTAIN DEGREE OF ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE OF SOVIET REPUBLICS" AND "A VERY HIGH DEGREE OF REPUBLICAN RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SOCIAL SITUATION OF WORKING PEOPLE AND FOR THE CONSUMER MARKET".

AT THE SAME TIME, THE RESOLUTION ENVISAGED "AN EXTREME CENTRALISATION OF MATERIAL, CURRENCY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES, DEPRIVING REPUBLICS OF THE POSSIBILITY TO ENSURE THE ACCOMPLISH OF TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THEM".

SILAYEV STATED THAT UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS THE "500 DAYS" PLAN, AND ESPECIALLY ITS FIRST PART DEALING WITH THE STABILISATION OF THE ECONOMY, COULD NOT BE IMPLEMENTED IN FULL. SOME OF THE STEPS ENVISAGED BY THE PLAN WILL HAVE TO BE REPLACED BY SUPPLEMENTARY, VERY HARD MEASURES TO PROTECT WORKING PEOPLE

AGAINST INFLATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT.

AS REGARDS LAND, HOUSING AND SOCIAL REFORMS AND PRIVATISATION, THEY CAN AND WILL BE REALISED IN FULL AS STIPULATED BY THE "500 DAYS" PLAN. BUT FOR THESE REFORMS TO BE ACCOMPLISHED, SILAYEV SAID, IT IS NECESSARY TO EXERCISE THE REPUBLIC'S SOVEREIGN RIGHTS PROCLAIMED BY THE FIRST CONGRESS OF RUSSIAN PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES.

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#90304t0805 10/31/1990 ~ts

KIEV (NOV 1) TASS - THE DECISION ON "THE PROTECTION OF THE CONSUMER MARKET IN THE UKRAINE" BY THE REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT WHICH WAS PUBLISHED BY THE LOCAL PRESS, PROVOKED CONTRADICTORY FEELINGS AMONG THE UKRAINIAN POPULATION.

THE DECISION WAS DISCUSSED BY THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT ON WEDNESDAY. IT PROVIDES FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF COUPON BOOKLETS ON NOVEMBER 1, GIVING CONSUMERS THE RIGHT TO PURCHASE INDUSTRIAL GOODS AND FOODSTUFFS WITH COUPONS.

UNDER THE DECISION, WAGES AND SALARIES WILL BE FULLY PAID. HOWEVER, 70 PER CENT OF WAGES AND SALARIES WILL BE PAID IN COUPONS AND THE REST IN ROUBLES.

COMMENTING ON THIS ACTION, UKRAINIAN DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER VITOLD FOKIN, A CO-AUTHOR OF THE DECISION, SAID THAT THE ACTION IS AIMED AT PROTECTING THE CONSUMER MARKET IN THE REPUBLIC AND CONTROLLING THE SHADOW ECONOMY AND PROFITEERING.

IN HIS OPINION, COUPONS WILL HELP LEVEL QUANTITIES OF CASH AND GOODS IN THE POSESSION OF UKRAINIANS AND PREVENT THE OUTFLOW OF GOODS FROM THE REPUBLIC, SINCE ONLY UKRAINIANS WILL HAVE SUCH COUPONS.

ON THE OTHER HAND, VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UKRAINIAN PARLIAMENT VLADIMIR GRINEV BELIEVES THAT THE DECISION WILL NOT HELP THE REPUBLIC PULL OUT OF THE CRISIS.

MANY UKRAINIANS, INCLUDING LAWMAKERS, WERE PUZZLED BY THE FACT THAT, AS WAS THE CASE IN THE SO-CALLED STAGNATION YEARS, THE GOVERNMENT HAD DRAFTED AND ADOPTED A DECISION IN COMPLETE SECRECY WITHOUT TAKING ADVICE OF THE PEOPLE AND OF THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT.

HOWEVER, PRESIDENT OF THE UKRAINIAN PARLIAMENT BELIEVES THAT THERE IS NO NEED TO SUBMIT EVERY IMPORTANT DECISION BY THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF PARLIAMENT.

OTHERWISE, SOME DEPUTIES WILL TRY TO PARALYSE THE GOVERNMENT'S ACTIVITIES OR TO SHIFT THE BLAME FOR ITS MISTAKES ONTO PARLIAMENT.

THE GOVERNMENT SPENT 1.5 MILLION ROUBLES TO ISSUE COUPONS FOR NOVEMBER. ON NOVEMBER 1, TRADING ORGANISATIONS WILL RECEIVE, TOGETHER WITH ROUBLES, THEIR

EQUIVALENT ISSUED BY PRINTSHOPS.

AFTER THE DEBATE WHICH ENDED ON WEDNESDAY EVENING, THE SESSION DECIDED THAT COUPONS WILL BE INTRODUCED ON NOVEMBER 1. HOWEVER, ADJUSTMENTS ARE POSSIBLE IN FUTURE.

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#90304u0002 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - President Bush begins a six-day, cross-country campaign blitz tomorrow on behalf of G-O-P congressional and gubernatorial nominees. Bush will try to help Republicans hurt by his decision to drop his ''NO new taxes'' pledge.

A federal appeals court in Chicago has upheld federal regulations that ban pilots over the age of 60 from the cockpits of planes carrying 30 or more passengers. But the court left the door open for further challenges, saying the F-A-A's proof that skills deteriorate past 60 is NOT overwhelming.

Americans made more- and spent an even greater amount- last month. The Commerce Department says U-S personal income climbed one-half of one percent in September while personal consumption rose one-point-one percent over August.

Iran says Bahrain's foreign minister arrived in Tehran today for two days of talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. The minister is quoted by Iran's official news agency as calling for collective cooperation among the gulf states.

Copies of the strike-plagued New York Daily News were almost impossible to find today in midtown Manhattan. Dealers say they either are NOT getting or had refused deliveries. Said one dealer- ''It's NOT worth the trouble.''

If you're thinking about having a tummy tuck or a nose job, you may want to it soon. The five-year deficit-reduction plan awaiting President Bush's signature will eliminate cosmetic surgery as a tax deductable expense.

While U-S troops take part in Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia... country music stars are putting on an Operation Desert Song in Nashville, Tennessee. The effort involves sending donated cassette tapes to U-S soldiers.

An upstate New York woman says her family views her Halloween plans as ''kind of morbid.'' But Jody Hawley adds- ''It's my wedding.'' Hawley dressed as the Countess tonight in marrying Nelson Nieves, dressed as Count Dracula. There's NO word on whether Nieves kissed his bride on the lips or on the neck.

The White House is expecting royalty. Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says Britain's Queen Elizabeth plans to visit the United States next spring. The queen will arrive sometime in May, but the exact date was NOT announced.

#90304u0070 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 31) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein warned his generals to prepare for imminent hostilities but President Bush signaled continued reliance on economic pressure and military intimidation during talks with congressional leaders.

The official Iraqi News Agency, or INA, Tuesday quoted Saddam as warning his military commanders during an emergency meeting that they must be on ''high alert'' and said an attack could come within days.

Saddam also warned the U.S.-led forces in the gulf that if they attacked, they risked door-to-door fighting with heavy casualties in Kuwait, the tiny gulf emirate overrun by Iraqi invasion forces on Aug. 2.

It was not clear whether Saddam had intelligence that the West was planning a military strike to force him out of Kuwait or was simply sending yet another warning signal to the international alliance against him.

Bush, meeting with congressional leaders and his national security advisers, mapped out a ''stay-the-course'' strategy with a continued buildup of U.S. forces for possible use if Saddam's troops cannot be pressured out of Kuwait.

Sen. William Cohen, R-Maine, said Bush did not indicate economic sanctions, meant to punish Iraq for invading its neighbor, were nearing a make-or-break point and added, ''I don't have any impression we're moving closer to war.''

Meanwhile, the Pentagon said U.S. forces will be conducting amphibious exercises in the north Arabian Sea through Nov. 8. The exercises, which began Tuesday, involve 20 airplanes and 75 helicopters but Pentagon officials would not disclose the number of ships or Marines involved.

A steam explosion killed 10 sailors Tuesday aboard the USS Iwo Jima as the ship was on its way to take part in the amphibious exercise in the North Arabian Sea, U.S. military officials said.

The explosion on the 602-foot, 18,000-ton amphibious assault ship took place at 12:15 a.m. EST Tuesday, just after the vessel had undergone routine maintenance in Manama, Bahrain. Six sailors were killed instantly, and four others who were critically injured in the accident died later.

Navy spokesman Lt. Cmdr. Alan Dooley said steam leaked from the Iwo Jima's boiler system as the helicopter carrier left after a routine port call.

In another accident, a U.S. Marine was killed and three others injured when a multipurpose ''humvee'' vehicle overturned during a night exercise in Saudi Arabia, a Marine spokesman in Washington said.

The deaths brought to 42 the number of American forces who have been killed accidentally in Operation Desert Shield, the Pentagon said.

On the diplomatic front, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz said Tuesday that Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev had contributed to the search for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf standoff.

''There were certain positive elements regarding the search for a peaceful solution and the recognition of the existence of a link between regional issues,'' Aziz told state-run Baghdad Radio.

Gorbachev, the winner of the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize, told reporters that war in the gulf is unacceptable and the crisis must be settled peacefully. He suggested Saudi Arabia work toward an ''inter-Arab'' solution.

Gorbachev's statement came a day after a Soviet envoy failed to win a promise from Iraq that it would end its nearly 3-month-old occupation of Kuwait.

The Palestine Liberation Organization welcomed Gorbachev's proposal. ''There is a serious attempt going on now to reach an Arab solution to the gulf crisis '' PLO official Nabil Shaath told reporters in Cairo. ''And there has also been an encouraging Iraqi response.''

An Iraqi Airways jet that brought 262 French citizens home from Iraq and Kuwait left for Baghdad with ''a few tons'' of medicine. The plane also carried three Iraqis who had been stranded in France, foreign ministry sources said.

Iraqi Airways said Tuesday one of its carriers was scheduled to pick up a shipment of medicine in Geneva Thursday. The Swiss government is allowing the flight because medicine is considered humanitarian supplies allowed under U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

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#90304u0072 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - President Bush, facing sinking polls and a divided GOP, is trying to rally Republicans for next Tuesday's elections by blaming the Democratic controlled Congress for the tax hikes in the new budget deal.

And Democrats are fighting back. They angrily reject Bush's contention that they are responsible for the taxes and says his policies have long favored the rich.

Bush is to attend a fund-raising event in Alexandria, Va., Wednesday for Rep. Stan Parris, R-Va., and leaves Thursday for a six-day, cross- country campaign swing ending Election Day in his adopted hometown of Houston.

A key election issue is the fiscal package that Congress passed Sunday after more than six months of stormy debate. It includes tax increases and spending cuts totaling $492 billion over the next five years.

Most of the Republicans in both the House and the Senate opposed the compromise plan, which has been sent to Bush for his promised signature.

At an ''Election Countdown'' pep rally Tuesday, Bush blamed Democrats for the tax hikes in the new deficit-cutting budget, which the president says he was forced to accept by Democrats playing power politics.

''For six months this Congress stalled the budget agreement and, in my view, risked stalling the economy,'' Bush said. ''All in the name of politics and higher taxes.''

Addressing a few hundred party faithful, Bush said voters Tuesday will have ''the opportunity to send that crowd ... a message by sending more Republicans to Congress.''

Democratic congressional leaders quickly lashed back, accusing Bush of a ''deliberate distortion of the truth.''

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine charged that the ''tax policies of the Republicans over the past decade have been to soak the middle class.''

House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri said Bush wanted a ''good deal for the wealthy, a raw deal for the elderly and a double deal for the middle class.''

Tuesday's pep rally of a few hundred people was sponsored by several GOP organizations, including the Republican National Committee and the National Republican Congressional Committee.

Noticeably absent was Ed Rollins, co-chairman of the NRCC. Rollins recently raised Bush's ire by suggesting that House Republicans oppose the president's flip-flop in favor of a tax increase for the rich to reduce the deficit.

Last week, an angry Bush appeared ready to seek Rollins' dismissal, but since then a more forgiving president has indicated he would just as soon let Rollins keep the post - at least for now.

Gary Koops, a spokesman for Rollins' commmittee, said the co-chairman was unable to attend because he was busy planning campaign strategy.

In his address, Bush blamed congressional Democrats for forcing him to raise taxes and said more Republicans would have permitted him to have obtained a

better budget.

''More Republicans in Congress means more men and women fighting against raising taxes and against the big spenders,'' he said. ''More Republcians means a better deal for America.''

A year ago, with the president's approval rating regularly upwards of 70 percent and the economy stronger, the GOP viewed the 1990 election as a chance to pick up some seats in Congress.

But those hopes have been dashed by recent polls that show the president battered and bruised by the budget battle, which saw him drop his no-new-taxes pledge, and the sluggish economy.

A Newsweek poll released Sunday showed Bush with the lowest approval rating of his presidency, just 48 percent, down by more than 20 points from a month ago.

Bush has the dubious distinction of having the fewest number of Republicans, 175, in the House than any first-term GOP president this century. He may likely have even less next January when the new Congress is sworn in.

There are now 258 House Democrats and two vacancies. Democrats enjoy a 55-45 margin in the Senate, and they too are expected to pick up a few seats next week when a third of the Senate and the entire House will be up for grabs.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Chicago (NL) - Named John Stockstill and Elmore Hill scouts.

Cleveland - Released outfielder Dion James.

Montreal - Named Jerry Manuel manager of Indianapolis of American Assocciation (AAA); named Tim Johnson scout; acquired outfielder Marty Durkin from Miami of Florida State League (A), third baseman Chad McDonald from Reno of California League (A) and pitcher Pat Jurado, catcher Steve Keighley and first baseman Rob Bargas from Salt Lake City of Pioneer League (A).

St. Louis - Announced it exercised option on contract of infielder Jose Oquendo.

BASKETBALL

Indiana - Released forwards Dyron Nix and Gary Plummer and center Greg Wiltjer.

LA Lakers - Waived guard Keith Smith.

Miami - Released forward Jeff Sanders.

Milwaukee - Released center Tito Horford, Pat Durham and guard Darnell Valentine.

Minnesota - Signed free-agent guard Jim Thomas to 2-year contract.

New Jersey - Placed forward Roy Hinson on injured list.

New York - Waived forward Earl Cureton.

Orlando - Traded forward Sidney Green to San Antonio for forward-center Mark McNamara and 1991 first-round draft choice.

Philadelphia - Released guards Michael Cutwright and Mike Morrison.

Phoenix - Placed center Andrew Lang, forward Ricky Blanton and guard Negele Knight on the injured list.

Portland - Released guard Shawn McDaniel and forwards Todd Mitchell and Mark Bardtke.

Sacramento - Traded swingman Byron Irvin to Washington for guard Steve Colter.

COLLEGE

San Diego State - Named Glen Larsen coordinator of baseball fund-raising.

FOOTBALL

New England - Released running back Don Overton; signed defensive back Mickey Washington.

Philadelphia - Signed defensive tackle Dick Chapura; placed Mark on injured list; waived linebackers Maurice Henry and Eric Wainwright from the physically unable to perform list; reclaimed wide receiver-kick returner Anthony Edwards.

HOCKEY

NY Islanders - Recalled right wing Derek Laxdal, left wing Rich Kromm, center Greg Parks and defenseman Joe Reekie from Capital District of American Hockey Leauge.

Toronto - Assigned right wing John Kordic to Newmarket of AHL.

SOCCER

Sheffield Wednesday (English League) - Signed midfielder John Harkes of U.S. national team.

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#90304u0097 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - A United Arab Emirate newspaper quotes Western diplomats as saying a number of Iraqi diplomats have asked for- and recieved- political asylum. The newspaper says European states granted refuge to the diplomats opposed to their nation's invasion of Kuwait.

NASA says the shuttle Columbia passed a critical refueling test Tuesday, clearing the orbiter for launch in early December. The space agency has already tried to launch Columbia four times since early May. Also, NASA has cleared the repaired shuttle Atlantis for blastoff in 10 days.

Texas is joining four other states in suing the makers of an alleged fuel-saving device. Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox says the ''PetroMizer'' does NOT work. Maddox adds it's NO surprise that someone would develop- quote- ''a scam such as this at a time when gasoline prices are increasing.''

A contract employee at the New York Daily News says many photograhers have returned to work, despite a strike that'll enter its sixth day Wednesday. But other workers vow to continue the walkout against the nation's second largest newspaper. The paper is publishing using replacement workers.

Polls indicate the Senate may lose its most conservative and its most liberal Republican members in next week's elections. North Carolina's Jesse Helms and Oregon's Mark Hatfield are fighting for their political lives in two of the year's closest Senate races. Hatfield has NEVER lost an election in 40 years.

Don Dixon's personal secretary took the stand at the indicted thrift chief's trial Tuesday in Dallas. Dawn Baum-Simmons says Dixon told her to ''filter'' political contributions through the now failed Vernon Savings and Loan expense accounts. She added Dixon never implied that he was doing anything illegal.

Egypt says it has cracked 13 groups that've been trying to destabilize the country during the past two months. Cairo's interior minister says the terrorist groups came to Egypt from Jordan, Iraq, Tunisia and Algeria. The minister says the groups have bases in Egypt and access to Egyptian passports.

Choice Entertainment is canceling a live pay-per-view telecast of 2- Live Crew. The Los Angeles-based company announced the move Tuesday, one day after members of the controversial rap group did NOT show up at a news conference in Hollywood to promote the telecast next month for next month.

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#90304u0106 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 31) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

HOCKEY

Boston at Buffalo, 7:35 p.m.
Montreal at Hartford, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.
Winnipeg at Edmonton, 9:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Oakland, Calif. - $350,000 Virginia Slims of California
Paris - $2 million Paris Open

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(OCT. 31) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	10	3	0	20	55	30
New Jersey	8	4	1	17	53	44
Washington	7	7	0	14	43	45
Pittsburgh	6	6	1	13	61	53
Philadelphia	6	6	0	12	44	46
NY Islanders	3	9	0	6	31	54

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	6	4	1	13	36	41
Montreal	6	6	1	13	42	44
Hartford	4	6	2	10	30	40
Quebec	3	7	3	9	38	53
Buffalo	3	5	3	9	36	36

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
St. Louis	8	3	1	17	45	35
Chicago	8	5	0	16	43	32
Detroit	6	4	3	15	51	48
Minnesota	2	8	3	7	35	52

Toronto	2	10	1	5	34	61

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	9	2	1	19	57	33
Calgary	9	4	0	18	58	39
Vancouver	6	6	0	12	38	40
Winnipeg	4	7	1	9	41	42
Edmonton	2	6	2	6	29	31

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#90304u0136 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - The Pentagon says U-S forces will be conducting amphibious exercises in the north Arabian Sea through the middle of next week. The exercises that began Tuesday involve 20 airplanes and 75 helicopters. However, military officials are NOT disclosing the number of ships or Marines taking part. In a related word, a steam explosion killed 10 U-S sailors Tuesday aboard the U-S-S Iwo Jima as it headed to the exercises in the Arabian Sea.

U-S Supreme Court Justice David Souter appeared skeptical about a government effort to bar health workers at federally funded clinics from discussing abortion with clients. Souter questioned Solicitor General Kenneth Starr during oral arguments before the high court Tuesday. Opponents say the government canNOT prohibit freedom of speech because it funds a project.

President Bush is trying to change what can only be viewed as a dubious distiniction. Bush has the fewest number of Republicans in the House than any first-term G-O-P president this century. Bush plans campaign stops across the nation before elections are held Tuesday in the hopes of having more Republicans in Washington when the new Congress is sworn in next January.

A Detroit woman says she didN'T have much, but now she does NOT- in her words- ''have a damn thing.'' The woman spoke while watching her home on the city's west side burn down in flames. City workers and volunteers are trying to dampen the spree of arson that annually sweeps Detroit around Halloween. However, there were fires and dozens of youths were jailed Tuesday night.

A snub-nosed gun is the cause of a court battle nearly 23 years after it was used in the killing of Lee Harvey Oswald. Earl Ruby... the brother of Jack Ruby... claims ownership of the gun his sibling used to kill the suspected assassin of President Kennedy. But Jack Ruby's executor, Jules Mayer, says he is due a hefty fee if the .38-caliber Colt Cobra is sold. Mayer's attorney told a Dallas jury Tuesday- quoting now- ''A gun is NOT a pretty thing to fight about. But history is history and that gun has value.''

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#90304u0153 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (OCT. 31) UPI - Police arrested the leader of a left-wing trade union that spearheaded last week's violence-marred general strike and charged him with sedition, officials said Wednesday.

Manila police chief Col. Ernesto Diokno served an arrest warrant on Crispin Beltran, the fireband chairman of the left-leaning May One Movement, or KMU, Tuesday night after a television talk show in which they were both guests.

Military officials have accused the KMU of being a front of the outlawed Communist Party of the Philippines and its military arm, the New People's Army which openly supported the strike.

The military blamed the NPA for the burning of 24 buses and the bombing of two oil firms during the strike that began Wednesday to press demands for higher wages. At least 10 people were killed in the violence.

Beltran, 57, who has denied any participation in the violence, was charged before a Manila prosecutor Wednesday with inciting to sedition and illegal assembly, said police Capt. Honrato Laurel.

Beltran also is facing charges of ''illegal association'' for the alleged links of KMU with the underground communist movement, fighting the government for the past 21 years. The case was filed in 1989 in the central city of Cebu.

The strike last week disrupted transportation and operations in some factories but failed to paralyze the nation as the organizers had planned. It fizzled out after one day although demonstrations continued in Manila.

Labor leaders suspended the strike Friday, pending further negotiations on their demands for a $1.48 increase on top of the daily minimum wage of about $3.46. They vowed to resume their mass actions in November if no agreement was reached.

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#90304u0171 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - President Bush Wednesday is scheduled to attend a fund-raising event in Alexandria, Virginia, for Representative Stan Parris, and leaves Thursday for a six-day, cross-country campaign swing ending Election Day in his adopted hometown of Houston.

The United Auto Workers reached a tentative three-year agreement with Chrysler Corporation after a 28-hour bargaining session that ended Tuesday. The union has scheduled a meeting of its 100-member Chrysler Bargaining Council for Monday in Detroit.

The space shuttle Columbia is finally back in service after passing a critical fueling test without springing any dangerous hydrogen leaks Tuesday. The

successful test sets the stage for an early December launch attempt.

A workhorse Delta rocket successfully boosted a 90-Million-dollar mobile communications satellite into orbit Tuesday after a picture- perfect launch. The launch was the 200th flight in the booster program's 30-year history.

Thousands of volunteers took to the streets of Detroit at dusk Tuesday in an effort to dampen Devil's Night, which traditionally results in many more arson fires than usual. So far, an average number of fires has been reported.

Police in the Philippines have arrested the leader of a left-wing trade union that spearheaded last week's violent general strike. The man was charged with sedition. At least 10 people were killed in the violence.

Researchers at the University of Michigan report that they have used gene therapy to lower cholesterol in animals for the first time, possibly opening a new era in treating hardening of the arteries and liver disease.

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#90304u0205 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

SUBIC BAY NAVAL BASE, Philippines (OCT. 31) UPI - Forty-five Filipino fishermen rescued by a U.S. Navy ship arrived here Wednesday and said they had no food for two days after their outriggered boat was crippled by giant waves in the South China sea.

Five other fishermen were still missing after the 90-foot Sto. Nino Gloria suffered leaks and its engine conked out Friday in the Scarborrough Shoal, about 200 miles from the Philippine coast.

The tanker USNS Ponchatoula, which was dispatched to the area after a U.S. Navy plane located the disabled boat Sunday, picked up the fishermen Monday, ship skipper Capt. Peter Brent told reporters. Earlier reports said the boat had capsized.

Brent said the ship, attached to the military sealift command, searched the area for the missing fishermen Tuesday before before returning to port.

The survivors were turned over to the local government in the liberty town of Olongapo where they were confined at a hospital for medical check-up.

''It's good we saw them before dusk,'' Brent said, adding that the boat had no lights, was taking in water because of two leaks and its outriggers were broken. He said they tried to tow the boat but the rope snapped and it sank.

Randy Sagarino, 14, said their boat was battered by huge waves Friday. He said said five fishermen, including his father and a brother, were unaccounted for after they transferred to a smaller vessel being towed by their boat but which

was separated.

''We took turns in taking the water out of the boat using a pail,'' Sagarino said. ''We had no food for two days.''

Another fisherman, Leovigildo Caguete, 26, said a private plane had dropped leaflets telling them a Philippine Navy ship was en route to rescue them. ''It never came,'' he said.

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#90304u0211 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - Around the world, around the clock, the latest news from U-P-I...

Fires were reported last night on Detroit's near east and west sides... with police reporting 246 youths arrested. The blazes and arrests came during a citywide clampdown to dampen Devil's Night... an orgy of arson that traditionally sweeps Detroit each year around Halloween.

A prosecutor says he will press for the gas chamber when Ramon Salcido is sentenced next week in one of the most vicious murder rampages in California history. Salcido was found guilty yesterday of killing seven people- including his two daughters- in a jealous spree last year in California's wine country.

A 90-Million-dollar mobile communications satellite is in orbit... following the 200th launch of the Delta rocket. Last evening's flawless mission from Cape Canaveral is the 22nd success in a row for rocket- builder McDonnell Douglas Space Systems of Huntington Beach, California.

U-S crude oil prices slipped toward the end of the day Tuesday, with a rumor-weary market unable to muster the strength to support a buying momentum. One analyst says he believes traders are ''sick and tired'' of buying and selling based on unconfirmed reports and rumors about the Middle East.

The United Auto Workers say the union reached its goal in negotiating a tentative three-year contract agreement with Chrysler. U-A-W President Owen Bieber describes the pact as patterned after earlier contracts with the other two Big Three carmakers. Both sides are declining to detail the agreement.

Chess challenger Anatoly Karpov managed a draw in Game Eight of the World Chess Championship last night in New York City. Officials say Karpov made four moves that were incredible'' in the last two minutes. Karpov and champion Gary Kasparov will play Game Nine tonight.

One of 45 Filipino fishermen rescued by a U-S Navy ship says their boat was crippled by giant waves in the South China sea. The fisherman adds that the group had NO food for two days before an American vessel rescued them Monday.

Five fishermen remain missing about 200 miles from the Philippine coast.

People who opt for spending the night at Indiana park inns will find an anti-Bible pamphlet along with the standard book of religious reading. The state says it is reviewing a decision to allow the pamphlets in the inns. The pamphlet describes the Bible as a- quote- ''violent, racist and sexist fable.''

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#90304u0223 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (OCT. 31) UPI - A cliff at a stone quarry in central Thailand collapsed Wednesday, burying 11 workers under tons of stone, a police officer said.

The workers were starting to drill holes for explosives at the base of a cliff when the ledge fell on them, said Capt. Pairat Vijitlegkarn, a local deputy police investigator at Na Pra Lan district of Saraburi Province, 80 miles north of Bangkok.

''Suddenly it collapsed. We have so far collected five bodies but we believed that the six others are dead because we have heard no sound from them,'' he said.

''Some rocks are as big as 10-wheel trucks,'' he said.

Pairat said all victims were male workers and the cause of the incident is under investigations.

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#90304u0241 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

HONG KONG (OCT. 31) UPI - A group of 205 Vietnamese boat people voluntarily traded life in Hong Kong's crowded camps for a return to Hanoi Wednesday amid efforts to launch a new non-voluntary return program before the end of November.

The group boarded a chartered jet bound for their homeland, raising to 4,899 the number of boat people who have returned through the U.N.- sponsored voluntary repatriation program.

It was the largest group of voluntary returnees since August - a fact which some observers attributed to a new multi-lateral agreement to repatriate boat people who did not volunteer but did not object to returning.

The scheme, which came out of a late September meeting between Britain, Vietnam and the United Nations High Commission for Refugees, was a compromise bid to aid Hong Kong in emptying its cramped detention centers, which are home

to about 54,000 refugees.

Officials in the British colony had hoped to begin the program by the end of October but said logistical problems had delayed the launch.

''It is a new program so it has had a slow start, but the UNHCR is working very hard to recruit people and their efforts are now bearing fruit,'' said Refugee Coordinator, Clinton Leeks. ''We hope to have it in operation soon, I would certainly say by the end of November.''

Only those boat people who can prove that they face political persecution if returned to their homeland are granted refugee status in Hong Kong and made eligible for resettlement in the West. The rest - an estimated 80 to 90 percent of the Vietnamese - face continued life in the camps or a one-way ticket to Hanoi.

The British colony has maintained that its 1 1/2-year-old voluntary repatriation program was not doing enough to solve the financial and political burden created by the Vietnamese.

Officials had pressed for a return to a short-lived mandatory return program, which forced 51 refugees back to Vietnam in late 1989.

Hanoi, shocked at the worldwide condemnation of the move, refused to accept any more boat people returned against their will.

Under the new initiative, U.N. officials are responsible for coaxing screened out Vietnamese into returning to their homeland. Hanoi has pledged to accept boat people returned through the new program as long as no force is used in the operation.

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#90304u0247 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - Halloween costumes that came with rubber boots and raincoats were the order of the day Wednesday in the Pacific Northwest where record rainfall continued, while the rest of the nation was mostly clear and cool.

Showers with a chance of thunderstorms covered the Northwest and the wet weather was to continue through the day in Washington and Oregon.

The storm came a day after record rain fell in Oregon. On Tuesday, 2.75 inches of rain soaked Eugene Airport, shattering the previous record of 1.07 inches set in 1956. In Portland, 0.59 inches of rain fell at Portland International Airport, breaking a 50-year-old record of 0.50 inches.

To the south, light winds and scattered clouds covered Southern California and temperatures were in the mid 50s.

Denver had clear skies with a wide range of temperatures stretching from the upper 60s to the west and the low 40s in other areas.

North and northwest winds pushing 30 mph prompted a small craft advisory for the coastal waters from Eastport, Me., to the Merrimack River in Massachusetts. Seas averaged 2 to 4 feet.

Temperatures warmed slightly in New York City where the low was in the upper 40s, while in Atlantic City, skies were clear and lows in the mid 30s inland to mid 40s along the shore. Winds were light.

In the South, thick fog blanketed southwest Louisiana, cutting visibility to near zero, especially on roads near grassy fields and in low lying areas. Most of the rest of the South was clear and cool.

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#90304u0259 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (OCT. 31) UPI - A prominent Shanghai writer and government critic, released after being jailed for more than a year for links to the 1989 pro-democracy movement, said Wednesday he was not mistreated and spent most of his confinement reading.

Wang Ruowang, 72, was freed Monday from a Shanghai detention center where he had been jailed since mid-September of last year.

Reached by telephone in Shanghai, family members said he had been freed after acknowledging ''mistakes,'' but Wang himself refused to confirm this in a telephone conversation. He said he was in good health.

''We're all very happy,'' said one family member.

A novelist and journalist who is one of China's most prominent liberal writers Wang was among intellectuals who took part in street demonstrations in Shanghai in the spring of 1989 at the height of the pro-democracy movement.

After Chinese troops fired on protesters in Beijing on June 3-4, and the government cracked down nationwide on the unrest, police in Shanghai first placed Wang under house arrest in July and later took him into custody.

Wang said he was kept in a cell with two or three other prisoners and was not mistreated, adding ''the treatment was humane.''

He said he spent most of his time reading, including 20 volumes of Chinese history, literary theory and psychology.

''This was a good opportunity for me to study,'' he chuckled.

Wang is the second prominent detainee freed recently. Wu Xiaoyong, an executive at the state radio service jailed in Beijing in connection with last year's unrest, was freed in mid-September to the custody of his father, Vice Premier Wu Xueqian.

Dozens of other people arrested last year are also still believed held in Shanghai, and hundreds more in Beijing.

A year ago, Shanghai's state-run newspapers had sharply attacked Wang, accusing him of having spread rumors, given ''counterrevolutionary'' speeches to student protesters and taken part in demonstrations.

He was also criticized for articles that appeared during the protests in Hong Kong magazines and student leaflets critical of the government.

''I admit I wrote articles,'' Wang said. ''These are facts.''

A longtime government critic, Wang became a Communist Party member in 1937 but was expelled in 1957 during the ''anti-rightist campaign'' for having spoken out against the government during Mao Tse-tung's short- lived ''Hundred Flowers'' movement.

He rejoined the party in 1980 after the Cultural Revolution but continued to criticize corruption and the party's ideologues.

After nationwide student protests during the winter of 1986-1987, Wang was again expelled from the party in January 1987, along with the dissident astrophysicist Fang Lizhi and the famed journalist Liu Binyan.

Both Fang and Liu have since left China. Fang was exiled earlier this year after a yearlong refuge in the U.S. Embassy in Beijing.

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#90304u0260 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (OCT. 31) UPI - Despite a small army of volunteers patrolling the streets, dozens of Devil's Night arson fires lit up the sky in scattered sections of the city Tuesday night, some of them destroying occupied homes.

The lower east side - one of Detroit's poorest areas - seemed to be hardest hit by the traditional arson orgy that has plagued the city on the night before Halloween for nearly a decade.

''I think it's a disgrace to our neighborhood,'' said Taron Harris, 14, as he stood watching an abandoned structure go up in flames. ''It ain't right. It ain't right to start fires in your own neighborhood.''

There were no reports of deaths or serious injuries, but several families were left homeless when flames spread from abandoned buildings to occupied houses.

''I handed a hose to someone, went back for my wife and when we came out ... this was what happened,'' said John Holcolm as he watched as his east side home burn down.

''I didn't have much, but now I know I don't have a damn thing,'' said one unidentified woman whose home on the west side was in flames.

City officials, who mounted a massive campaign to combat the arson spree for the sixth straight year, were attempting to assess the damage Wednesday. They said no official figures would be released until after the three-day Halloween period.

Early, unofficial speculation on the number of fires ranged from 60 to 75 - about average for a 24-hour period - to more than 100.

Charlie Williams, coordinator of the city's Devil's Night task force, said he was optimistic that the number of fires would be lower than last year.

But some city workers in the field said the blazes seemed worse than last year.

''It's crazy, chaotic,'' a Fire Department battalion chief who was supervising a section of the city told the Detroit Free Press.

''It's much worse than they anticipated. We're stretched thin,'' said the battalion chief, who spoke on condition of anonymity for fear of losing his job.

Fire Chief Harold Watkins, however, had a different assessment. ''This is pretty much under control, we believe ...'', he said early Wednesday. ''The number of people the mayor has out in the streets is bound to help us.''

Mayor Coleman A. Young deployed more 35,000 volunteers into the streets Tuesday night and slapped a 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. curfew on unescorted youths under 18 as part of the campaign to dampen the arson spree.

Stung by the widespread negative publicity Detroit receives each year on Devil's Night, Young forbids city departments and officials from releasing any specific fire totals. The official figures are released by his office after the three-day Halloween period.

Police said they arrested 91 youngsters for curfew violations Tuesday night, down sharply for more than 150 a year ago. Monday night, the first night the curfew was in effect, 154 youths were arrested, down from 165 in 1989.

One of the earliest and worst fires was at the New Galilee Spiritual Church, a

storefront church on Detroit's east side. More than 25 fire fighters battled the two-alarm blaze, which engulfed the structure and sent flames shooting through the roof, more than 25 feet into the air.

Since the Devil's Night mobilization began five years ago, fires have dropped 72 percent since the peak in 1984, when a record 810 blazes burned during the three-day Halloween period. Last year, there were 223 fires during the same period.

A hotline, 96-ARSON, also was established this year for residents to report individuals starting fires with a $1,500 reward going to the person who turns in an arsonist.

And 11 cable television companies in the Detroit area unscrambled their signals Tuesday night so customers could receive without cost premium channels such as HBO, Cinemax, The Movie Channel and the sports station PASS.

Department of Public Works crews have razed more than 600 abandoned buildings in the past several weeks, and the Police Department has towed abandoned cars that might attract arsonists. One recent count showed Detroit had more than 15,000 abandoned homes and buildings.

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#90304u0393 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - About 35-thousand volunteers and 35-hundred block clubs are patrolling the streets of Detroit during the three-night Devil's night curfew. Officials say there have been arrests and fires, but for the most part, the streets are calm.

Speaking in Pittsburgh last night, former national security adivsor Zbigniew Brzezinski says it would NOT be in the best interest of the United States to go to war with Iraq over Kuwait. But he said U-S presence in the Gulf ''is necessary.''

A Pentagon spokesman says officials do NOT believe that the number of accidental deaths during Operation Desert Shield is UNusual because of the size of the U-S force in the Persian Gulf. 42 American troops have died accidentally so far. 10 sailors died in a boiler room accident on the U-S-S Iwo Jima yesterday.

Detectives in New York are investigating the death of a baby found in a Bronx hospital with its throat tube disconnected and its heart monitor cut off. The eight-month old boy was found dead by a nurse Monday, but police say the death was NOT immediately reported to them.

A cliff at a stone quarry in central Thailand collapsed today, burying 11 workers under tons of stone. Police say they have recovered five bodies so

far. It's believed that the other six workers are dead.

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#90304u0410 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	73	44	....
Anchorage pc	34	24	....
Asheville sy	75	35	....
Atlanta sy	75	48	....
Baltimore sy	67	42	....
Billings cy	68	40	....
Birmingham sy	77	42	....
Bismarck pc	74	38	....
Boston sy	58	41	....
Brownsville pc	85	63	....
Buffalo sy	57	41	....
Burlington Vt. sy	50	29	....
Charleston S.C. sy	75	48	....
Charlotte sy	74	44	....
Chicago sy	70	50	....
Cincinnati sy	73	43	....
Cleveland pc	67	43	....
Columbus Ohio sy	72	42	....
Dallas sy	83	60	....
Denver f	76	41	....
Des Moines sy	77	53	....
Detroit sy	66	42	....
Duluth sy	60	43	....
El Paso f	82	50	....
Evansville sy	75	43	....
Fargo pc	73	44	....
Hartford sy	62	35	....
Honolulu pc	87	72	....
Houston pc	82	55	....
Indianapolis sy	75	45	....
Jackson Miss. sy	80	44	....
Jacksonville pc	77	53	....
Kansas City sy	80	53	....
Las Vegas pc	79	55	....
Little Rock sy	79	51	....
Los Angeles pc	74	59	....
Louisville sy	77	44	....
Memphis sy	81	50	....
Miami Beach pc	83	70	....
Milwaukee pc	62	47	....

Minneapolis sy	70	46	....
Nashville sy	78	42	....
New Orleans f	76	51	....
New York sy	64	48	....
Oklahoma City sy	80	57	....
Omaha sy	80	50	....
Orlando pc	82	61	....
Philadelphia pc	64	43	....
Phoenix cy	90	65	....
Pittsburgh pc	66	43	....
Portland Me. sy	52	31	....
Portland Ore. sh	55	39	.71
Providence sy	60	38	....
Richmond sy	70	43	....
St. Louis sy	79	53	....
Salt Lake City w	70	43	....
San Antonio pc	81	59	....
San Diego pc	72	60	....
San Francisco r	65	49	.08
San Juan pc	91	75	....
Seattle sh	52	38	.30
Spokane sh	45	30	.78
Tampa pc	83	62	....
Washington sy	67	46	....
Wichita sy	82	58	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90304u0412 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange eased slightly in light trading Wednesday as rumors and worries over the Middle East crisis and

a weakening Japanese yen sent professional investors to the sidelines.

The blue chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which lost 86.91 points Tuesday, slipped 48.30 points to 25,194.10.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, a measure of all major listed shares, lost 9.12 points to 1,856.12. TOPIX dropped 10.83 points Tuesday.

Volume was again sparse as an estimated 400 million shares changed hands, down from 411 million shares Tuesday.

Declines edged out advances 508 to 457 while 137 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange sank in thin trading as increasing worries over tension in the Gulf kept most investors on the sidelines.

The leading Hang Seng Index, which tumbled 51.88 points Tuesday, lost another 20.69 points falling below the 3,000 level to close at 2,990.96.

Among the narrower indexes, financials lost 23.31 points, industrials shed 30.48, utilities gained 14.48 and properties dropped 42.22 points.

Volume was very light as an estimated 720 million shares changed hands, down from 860 million on Tuesday.

In Singapore, stock prices slumped in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange with local investors cautious over the situation in the Persian Gulf.

The closely-watched Straits Times Industrial Index, which lost 12.28 points Tuesday, fell another 10.88 points to 1,153.95. The broader-based All Singapore Index, which slipped 2.53 points Tuesday, fell 4.61 points to 319.60.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 36 million shares, compared with 27.4 million shares changing hands Tuesday.

In Bangkok, stocks fell on the Thailand Stock Exchange on fears that war could flare up in the middle east.

In Manila, stocks closed higher on the Manila Stock Exchange.

In Seoul, stocks closed broadly lower in active trading on the Korean Stock Exchange.

In Australia, stocks closed slightly lower in light trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

#90304u0414 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (OCT. 31) UPI - Eight French workers were hurt in an accident in the tunnel under the English Channel a short time after tunnelers from England and France linked up for the first time, ending Britain's ''Splendid Isolation,'' company officials said Wednesday.

A small locomotive carrying the workers along a light railroad track in the French side of the tunnel lurched off its rails and hurtled into a convoy of wagons Tuesday night at around 10 p.m., a spokesman for the company Transmanche Link said.

The accident happened some 90 minutes after workers using the French boring machine Brigitte made contact through a 2-inch hole with the tunnel dug by the British machine Robbins, climaxing three years of construction work.

French media hailed that event by claiming Britain no longer was an island and Le Figaro newspaper headlined its report ''The end of British 'Splendid Isolation.''' Le Figaro said the event reinforced the credibility of the project despite costs far exceeding initial estimates.

Rescue workers took about 45 minutes to reach the men injured in the accident. Six were hospitalized, four of them with serious injuries - broken legs and head injuries, according to firefighters who helped rush them to the hospital. A company spokesman said none of the four were in critical condition.

Two others were able to return home after receiving first aid at the company's infirmary.

The cause of the crash was not immediately known. But a company spokesman said the management would convene a meeting of its health and safety committee Nov. 5 to investigate the incident.

Transmanche Link engineers said first studies indicated the alignment of the two tunnels only was some 1 foot, 6 inches off, an engineering feat they described as ''exceptional.''

Engineers will study further the alignment over the next 24 hours before starting up anew the two tunneling machines now some 100 yards apart.

Brigitte eventually will be taken apart, with only its carcass left behind as part of the wall of the service tunnel. Robbins will be buried and covered in cement after digging its own grave.

The rest of the tunnel will be completed mainly by manual labor and smaller machine tools.

British and French workers are expected to meet up in the second half of November before the official link-up to be attended by President Francois Mitterrand and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

Le Figaro said the link-up Tuesday seemed to indicate with the completion of 71 miles of the 93 miles of tunnels to be dug, the risky project ''largely has passed the point of no-return.''

Bankers financing the project also appear to agree, having agreed to additional capital to meet the cost of the chunnel - and estimates $15 billion compared to the $9 billion that was estimated at current prices in 1985.

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#90304u0464 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - The judge who presided over Mayor Marion Barry's drug and perjury trial criticized some jurors in the case for disregarding ''overwhelming'' evidence of guilt because they were determined to acquit him from the start.

U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson made his first public comments about the case during a student forum Tuesday at the Harvard Law School in Cambridge, Mass.

Jackson, who sentenced Barry to six months in prison last Friday for a misdemeanor cocaine possession conviction, said Barry should have been convicted on more than one count.

In August, the jury acquitted Barry of a second drug possession charge but deadlocked on 12 other charges, including three counts of perjury.

''I am not happy with the way the jury addressed the case,'' Jackson told the students. ''Some people on the jury ... had their own agendas.''

Jackson said he believes four jurors had planned to acquit Barry regardless of the evidence and ''obviously did not tell the truth'' during jury selection when asked about possible bias.

Jackson said while the jury could have acquitted Barry on two drug possession counts, including one that stemmed from a Jan. 18 FBI sting at a downtown Washington hotel, the evidence on all other counts, including perjury, was ''overwhelming.''

Jackson, who told Barry at his sentencing that he gave ''aid, comfort and encouragement'' to the city's drug culture, said his decision to issue an unusually tough penalty for a first-time misdemeanor conviction was because of his belief that the mayor is guilty of crimes beyond drug possession.

The judge said he accepted the jury's not-guilty verdict but felt free to draw his own conclusions about the counts in which the jury deadlocked.

Long-standing legal doctrine gives judges latitude in reaching such conclusions.

Throughout the trial and sentencing, supporters of Barry and Barry himself have maintained that his prosecution was racially motivated.

But Jackson, a Reagan appointee, said he was ''quite sure that neither race nor politics played any part'' in the case.

Barry, who is completing his third term as mayor and running for City Council as an independent, is appealing his conviction. The mayor was scheduled to appear Wednesday on Phil Donahue's talk show to discuss his case.

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#90304u0473 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - The world champion Cincinnati Reds, who swept the Oakland A's after becoming the first team in Major League history to lead the league the entire season, got a hero's welcome Tuesday from President Bush.

Missing, however, from the Rose Garden ceremony was star outfielder Eric Davis who left a Cincinnati hospital Tuesday to recuperate from a kidney injury at home.

Davis, who stayed in an Oakland hospital after the Reds left, chartered a plane to take him home earlier this week and blasted Reds owner Marge Schott for not picking up the cost of the charter.

But on a sunny day at the White House, there were no negatives.

''Today we are talking baseball and a team that won 91 games in the regular season, leading wire-to-wire the first time in league history,'' Bush said. ''We are talking the team that beat a marvelous Pirates club in the playoffs, and they were good.

Bush also said the Reds may be able to provide solutions to major domestic and international problems.

''And I hope our guided missiles are as straight as Eric Davis' throw to nab Bobby Bonilla,'' he said.

He said the World Series MVP, Jose Rijo, ''yielding all of one run in 15-plus innings, maybe he can help us with the interest rates. Get the ERA down, now it's the interest rate (laughter); and then Billy Hatcher, seven straight hits nine-for-twelve in the Series; and yes, Eric the Red, whom I wish continued

recovery and when I talk to Mr. Gorbachev about offensive weapons, I am going to tell him that No. 44's bat is not negotiable.''

Bush singled out a number of other players, including Glenn Braggs, Barry Larkin, Joe Oliver and Chris Sabo, ''He's off in Japan, but his three home runs are still in orbit someplace, and Paul O'Neill and yes, Tom Browning, the man who combined a World Series and the birth of his son, batting 1.000 along the way.''

Also attending the ceremony were the four Babe Ruth League champions, from Youngstown, Ohio, the New York City borough of Staten Island and two teams from Oakland.

Referring to the youngsters, Bush told the Reds, ''You guys better watch out for your jobs, some of these people.''

He also got a laugh when he introduced the umpires that worked the World Series.

''Seldom do the players and families cheer the umpires, but we're glad you're here, delighted you're here,'' he said. ''Just a minute, a little dissent. I think I can handle it.''

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#90304u0477 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (OCT. 31) UPI - Interior Minister Pierre Joxe said Wednesday he would consider dissolving a secretive police intelligence unit implicated in a ''frankly disgusting'' scandal over the mysterious death of a renegade homosexual pastor.

Joxe told Europe 1 Radio he would be prepared to dissolve the 3,900 strong General Information unit if the prefect of police for Paris ''judges it useful.''

Joxe said police authorities long have been in the process of reorganizing the powerful unit, which has been implicated in the disappearance of homosexual Protestant pastor Joseph Douce July 20 and the discovery of his body Oct. 18 in the forest of Rambouillet south of Paris.

Joxe described the climate of scandal surrounding the incident as ''frankly disgusting'' and said he would continue a ''housecleaning'' among the police force as necessary.

Witnesses said Douce last was seen the evening of July 19 leaving his apartment with two men with police badges who asked the pastor to follow them.

Jean-Marc Dufourg, an inspector assigned to surveillance of Douce, said he

himself was involved in a project by General Information to use homosexual prostitutes to seek to compromise former Justice Minister Pierre Arpaillange and Philippe Guilhaume, head of the state-run Antenne 2 television network.

Arpaillange said Tuesday he would sue for slander the inspector, accusing the police of launching ''a campaign of calumny ... to besmirch and discredit me.'' Douce had been defrocked by French Baptist and Protestant authorities because of his militant defense of homosexuals and other sexual minorities.

The police unit reportedly began watching Douce as part of an investigation into alleged pedophilia.

''If there are some police officers of who in the past one has asked to spy on political parties, and if certain of them have continued to do this kind of thing that is not in the (public) interest and is reprehensible in the eyes of the law, it has proven that one must continue with the house-cleaning,'' Joxe said.

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#90304u0514 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 30: Purchases of 413,247 shares and sales of 416,538 shares including 28,542 shares sold short.

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#90304u0520 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (OCT. 31) UPI - Komatsu Ltd., the world's leading construction machinery maker, Wednesday posted favorable sales and profits for the half year ended Sept. 30, thanks to brisk overseas sales, mainly in Southeast Asia.

The Tokyo-based company said earnings rose to $67 million, or seven cents a share, up 17.2 percent. The company said sales surged 14.0 percent to $2.414 million, with overseas sales accounting for $900 million, up 22.3 percent.

The company said sales of construction equipment rose to $1.94 billion, with overseas sales accounting for $814.7 million, up 28.9 percent. Sales of industrial machinery increased 13.2 percent to $263.2 million, but overseas sales plummeted 31.5 percent to $42.8 million, the company said.

The company predicted net income of $152.2 million on sales of $4.96 billion for the year ending March 31.

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#90304u0569 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - Officials in Detroit are trying to assess the damage from last night's Devil's Night arson fires. Despite an army of volunteers patrolling the streets, there were dozens of fires in some areas of Detroit.

The Coast Guard is searching today in Barataria Bay along the Louisiana Gulf Coast for two workers missing from a gas well explosion that killed three contract employees and injured a fourth. The crew was capping an abandoned gas well in the bay when the explosion occurred.

The Pentagon says U-S forces will be conducting amphibious exercises in the north Arabian Sea through November 8th. The exercises, which began yesterday, involve 20 airplanes and 75 helicopters. Pentagon officials would NOT disclose the number of ships or Marines involved.

The State Department says Secretary of State Baker will travel to seven countries in the Middle East and Europe next week. Baker will meet with key leaders in the international alliance against Iraq's Saddam Hussein.

In a speech to a Republican pep rally yesterday, President Bush blamed the Democratic controlled Congress for the tax hikes in the new budget deal. Bush campaigns today in Alexandria, Virginia, for Representative Stan Parris.

A legal expert says although Mayor Marion Barry has been sentenced to six months in prison for misdemeanor cocaine possession, it could be several years before he begins serving his term, if at all. The Washington, D-C, mayor is free on personal recognizance until his appeals are exhausted.

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But they say strict family planning controls have succeeded in slowing population growth.

A prominent Shanghai writer and longtime critic of Chinese government repression has been released from jail. The 72-year-old man was held for more than one year for his involvement in the 1989 pro-democracy movement.

Organizers say a replica of one of three sailboats used by Spanish adventurer Christopher Columbus will re-trace his journey from Spain to Japan in commemoration of his discovery of the New Continent 500 years ago. The replica of the Santa Maria will set sail next year.

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NEW DELHI, INDIA (OCT. 31) UPI - Security forces were kept on alert in many parts of India Wednesday but failed to avert further violence that claimed at least 49 lives after radical Hindus stormed a Moslem mosque and tried to begin construction of a temple.

The tense situation, which is linked to Prime Minister V.P. Singh's ongoing struggle to keep his coalition government in power, was most apparent in northern Uttar Pradesh state where numerous towns remained under curfew and security forces patrolled city streets, the Press Trust of India news agency reported.

Security forces also were on alert in the western Gujarat state towns of Ahmedabad, Baroda and Godhra where fresh violence erupted.

At least 18 people were killed in different parts of India Wednesday in violence related to the temple dispute, raising the number of deaths since Tuesday to 49, the Press Trust said.

Eleven people died in Gujarat, six others were killed in the northern Madhya Pradesh state town of Indore and one person died in the southern Andhra Pradesh state capital of Hyderabad, the news agency said.

The violence came one day after hundreds of Hindus in the Uttar Pradesh state town of Ayodhya, 345 miles southeast of New Delhi, broke through barricades surrounding a complex where a 460-year-old Moslem mosque is located.

The crowd slightly damaged some portions of the structure, but failed to carry out a right-wing Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party plan to begin construction of a Hindu temple at the site.

BJP president L.K. Advani, who spearheaded the campaign to build the temple, was arrested Oct. 23 after he failed to heed a government warning to call off the plan.

The arrest prompted the BJP to withdraw its crucial support from Singh's five-party National Front coalition government, plunging the administration into its worst crisis since it assumed power 11 moths ago.

The BJP has 86 members in the Lok Sabha, or the lower house of Parliament, and its support is necessary for the survival of Singh's coalition. The BJP is not a member of the coalition, but extended critical support to the government.

President R. Venkataraman subsequently asked Singh to prove his majority in Parliament Nov. 7. But regardless of the outcome of that special session, many political analysts are convinced that India is heading for elections, probably in early 1991.

Also Wednesday, the Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP), a radical Hindu group which is closely linked to the BJP, warned of ''serious consequences'' if New Delhi did not permit construction of the temple at Ayodhya.

Giriraj Kishore, VHP joint general secretary, issued a statement blaming the government of exercising an ''authoritarian attitude'' that could ''further inflame the people's anger,'' the Press Trust said.

The statement said that senior VHP leaders scheduled a meeting for Friday to discuss future plans for construction of the temple, the news agency reported.

Hindu radicals claim that the mosque that occupies the Ayodhya site was built by the Moghul emperor Babbar after he destroyed a temple marking the birthplace of Lord Rama, one of the most important gods in the vast Hindu pantheon.

Moslem leaders refute the claim and contend that no temple ever existed at the disputed place.

The Ayodhya dispute has been smouldering since February 1986, when a court agreed to allow Hindus to worship in the mosque. The move led to widespread communal riots in northern India.

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STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (OCT. 31) UPI - Farmers in southern Sweden hire illegal workers from Poland for less then a third of what the Swedes are being paid for a similar job, a Swedish newspaper reported Thursday.

The report, in the respected southern Swedish daily Skanska Dagbladet reported the latest case discovered was in the town of Sjobo, a rural community which in 1988 voted overwhelmingly against housing 40 foreign political refugees.

The controversial local referendum provoked a national outrage for stirring racist sentiments.

Sjobo's local Farmer's Union told Skanska Dagbladet that use of illegal Polish labor has been practiced throughout southern Sweden for several years.

''We get calls all the time about illegal and underpaid (foreign) workers, but we're unable to do anything about it,'' union spokeswoman Britt-Inger Nilsson told Skanska Dagbladet. ''Every time our car arrives at a farm, we see the backs of people running over the fields to hide.''

Swedish law stipulates an employer using temporary foreign workers must pay them in accordance with general pay tariffs. But the newspaper reported Polish workers are being paid about $2.30 an hour - less than a third of what a Swede would be paid for a similar job.

Also, both employer and employee need a permit from the national immigration board - a process that can take months.

''If an employer seeks permission in January to hire foreign workers over the summer, it's usually approved in November,'' said Staffan Hallo of Sjobo the public employer office in Sjobo. ''It would be better if the local employer offices could issue permits.''

''It's terrible that people are making money out of the difficult situations of others,'' he said. ''It gives our country a bad name.''

Some 500 Poles have received permission to work in Sweden in 1990. But Hallo said the true number of Polish workers in Sweden was much higher.

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JOHANNESBURG (OCT. 31) UPI - The Import-Export Bank of America, which finances foreign trade, is to loan black business in South Africa $85 million to alleviate the effect of sanctions against the country, a coordinator of the deal said Wednesday.

Several U.S. companies, including McDonald's Corp. and Johnson & Johnson, are also planning investments by extending franchises to local black businessmen, Johannesburg business consultant Willie Ramoshaba said through a spokesman.

The spokesman said Ramoshaba coordinated a U.S. trip this month of 65 black South African businessmen and ''various people linked to black business'' to seek finance for local ventures ''to alleviate the effect of anti-apartheid sanctions.''

The funding from the Import-Export Bank of America, or Eximbank, at 10.8

percent interest, is exempt from 1986 U.S. sanctions legislation, the U.S. Consulate in Johannesburg confirmed.

Ramoshaba's spokesman said local black businessmen were ''confident'' President de Klerk's racial reforms, launched February, would undercut the sanctions legislation before the end of 1991.

The visit of the black business group to the United States was eased by a letter in July from black leader Nelson Mandela to Congressmen William Gray, a leading U.S. anti-apartheid legislator, asking him to support the group's mission.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (OCT. 31) UPI - A bomb exploded Wednesday at the home of a Moslem fundamentalist sought by police, seriously wounding a woman, a security source said.

The source said the fundamentalist, identified as Sayed Abdelaziz Ahmad escaped when the charge went off and wounded his sister Amal Ahmad in Bani Suwaif, about 65 miles from Cairo.

Authorities in Egypt have arrested hundreds of Moslem fundamentalists in a crackdown spurred by the assassination three weeks ago of Egyptian Speaker of Parliament Rifaat El Mahgoub in Cairo. Twelve of the fundamentalists arrested have been accused of carrying out the assassination.

Sources said Ahmad was a member of the Holy War Islamic extremist group linked to Mahgoub's assassination. The same group was found responsible for the 1981 assassination of former President Anwar Sadat.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - Factory orders edged up 0.1 percent in September to $244.51 billion in the weakest showing since June, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

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Private economists anticipated an increase of 0.2 percent for last month following a revised advance of 1.7 percent in August and a gain of 1.5 percent in July. In June, factory orders tumbled 1.9 percent.

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- fell by about $1.8 billion, or 1.4 percent, in the third decline in the last four months.

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#90304u0620 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (OCT. 31) UPI - The Vietnamese-backed Cambodian government toughened its demands Wednesday for a role in the leadership of a Supreme National Council in a dispute that has stalled progress towards a political settlement of the 12-year-old Cambodian conflict.

Earlier, Australian Deputy Foreign Minister Michael Costello, fresh from visits to Phnom Penh and Hanoi, met with resistance leader Son Sann as part of a diplomatic shuttle attempting to end the Cambodian impasse.

Official Phnom Penh radio broadcast a letter from government officials to Son Sann responding to his appeal for new meetings to settle differences over the leadership of a Supreme National Council (SNC) that is a key part of a peace plan worked out by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council.

The SNC formed last month brings together representatives from all four contending factions in Cambodia. The first SNC meeting broke down over resistance demands that former head of state Prince Norodom Sihanouk be elected chairman.

The Phnom Penh government, however, said Sihanouk could be chairman only if its leader, Prime Minister Hun Sen, were elected vice chairman. The resistance rejected the demand, arguing it would give legitimacy to the government installed by the 1978 Vietnamese invasion.

The letter, signed by Hun Sen and the other five other Phnom Penh representatives on the Council, indicated that Hun Sen would insist on equality with Sihanouk.

It said three options for the leadership of the Council were possible: co-chairmen, rotating co-chairmen, or rotating chairmen, dropping the option of making Hun Sen the vice chairman.

''At no moment have either the five powers or the UN Security Council insisted that this or that person be the SNC chairman,'' it said.

In fact, the members of the Security Council have said they would welcome the election of Sihanouk, a resistance leader who was once king of Cambodia, as the leader of the council, but said the chairmanship should be decided by the Cambodians.

The letter read over the radio pointed to a provision in the U.N. peace plan that said no party should occupy the dominant position in the peace process.

''Therefore, accepting Prince Sihanouk as SNC chairman would be contrary to this principle,'' it said.

''The SNC has not been created to specially appoint a chairman,'' the letter said. ''The principal objective of the SNC is to arrive at a final agreement that would end the civil war, permit the holding of free and democratic elections and, thereby, bring about the peace that our people want so much.''

It suggested that the Council move on to consider the selection of an SNC delegation to the United Nations, a voluntary cease-fire and the end of outside military assistance which were more urgent than the election of a chairman.

In Bangkok, Richard Butler, the Australian ambassador to Thailand, said Costello met with Son San, the leader of one of the three resistance groups, to discuss efforts to resume progress towards peace in Cambodia.

Butler said Costello then flew to Beijing to hold talks with leaders in China, which is the main military supplier of the resistance. The deputy minister

hoped to continue his shuttle around the region with talks in Pyongyang with overall resistance leader Sihanouk, he said.

''These consultations are a continuation of the role that we have been performing as catalysts (for a political settlement) and as an originator of ideas, that have had the purpose of maintaining momentum towards a comprehensive settlement of the Cambodian conflict,'' Butler said.

He acknowledged Costello's talks with the various antagonists ''take place at a time when there has been an acknowledged impasse on certain matters under consideration in the Supreme National Council.''

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#90304u0623 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - U.S. personal income increased 0.5 percent in September while personal consumption leaped 1.1 percent over August, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

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A government spokesman said September's 3.5 percent savings rate was the lowest since 3.3 percent in October 1987, and that the 1.1 percent increase in consumption was the largest since a 1.2 percent hike in June.

In July, personal income gained 0.5 percent, personal consumption increased 0.6 percent and the rate of savings was 4.4 percent.

The Commerce Department also reported that disposable personal income, which is income after taxes, increased 0.4 percent in September after inching up 0.2 percent in August. In July, it gained 0.4 percent.

In September, personal savings totaled $4.7 trillion for the month, an increase of $23.8 billion. Personal outlays for the month totaled $3.8 trillion, an increase of $40 billion.

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increase of $3.4 billion in August.''

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#90304u0635 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 31) UPI - A small army of volunteers patrolling the streets of Detroit last night did NOT preven dozens of Devil's Night arson fires in scattered sections of the city. Some of the fires destroyed occupied homes. The lower east side, one of Detroit's poorest areas, seemed to be hardest hit by the traditional arson fires before and after Halloween.

Celebration quickly turned to tragedy in the tunnel under the English channel last night. Just 90 minutes after tunnelers from England and France linked up for the first time, eight workers were injured when a small underground train went off its tracks and plowed into them. Four workers were injured seriously.

Police in New York are investigating the mysterious death of a baby in a hospital. Eight-month-old Nigel Bostick was found dead by a nurse Monday at Montefiore Hospital. His throat tube was disconnected and his heart monitor was cut off. Police say the hospital did NOT immediately reported the death. The child was admitted to the hospital in September suffering from breathing problems.

As the strike against the New York Daily News continues, a Daily News truck driver reported this morning that he was followed by two cars on the Long Island Expressway. The truck driver said that one car driver pointed a gun at him and he heard what he thought was a gunshot. Police say there was NO confirmation of any weapon being fired.

The United Auto Workers union has scheduled a meeting of its 100- member Chrysler Bargaining Council for Monday in Detroit. The council must approve a tentative agreement reached yesterday between the union and Chrysler before workers vote on it. Union officials say they reached their goal of a settlement similar to the ones reached with the other two Big Three automakers.

Official Hanoi radio says the Dutch beer company Heineken and the German airline Lufthansa have signed agreements to operate in Vietnam. Heineken is one of the most popular beers in Vietnam. The radio report said that Vietnam Airlines and Lufthansa of Germany have agreed to open an air route from Ho Chi Minh City to Frankfurt.

Sources at the presidential palace in France say President Mitterrand will have a meeting with King Hussein of Jordan Monday to discuss the situation in the Persian Gulf. King Hussein is expected to arrive in France Sunday for a 48-hour working visit.

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BAY CITY, MI (OCT. 31) UPI - Thelma Bellows wants her 10 McMillion dollars back.

Bellows claims McDonald's handed her a raw deal when it announced her as the winner of a $10 million prize only to take it back hours later when the restaurant chain learned her daughter worked under the Golden Arches.

Rules in the ''McMillions'' contest prohibit any prizes going to immediate family members of employees of McDonald's, NBC-TV or their franchises.

A lawsuit filed by Bellows Tuesday in Bay County Circuit Court seeks $10 million in damages against McDonald's Corp., NBC-TV, a local McDonald's franchise and a Detroit accounting firm.

Her lawyers base their claim on a Utah Supreme Court decision that found married, adult children who had moved away from their parent's home were not immediate family members as defined in a similar promotional contest.

According to the suit, Bellows and her husband, Charles, went into a McDonald's restaurant in Auburn, near Bay City, on Oct. 11, purchased a meal and got the McMillions ticket.

Their married daughter, Charlene Saunders, was working in the restaurant's drive-up window at the time but did not wait on them and did not give them the ticket, the suit states.

Later that night, the couple learned from an NBC broadcast that they had the winning numbers. After receiving instructions from a McDonald's operator, they drove to Detroit to claim their prize.

According to the suit, Tom Peters, a regional marketing manager for McDonalds, at first told the couple their married daughter's job at McDonald's was no problem. But later the same day, the suit states, he was reversed by higher-ups at the fast-food chain and the prize was withdrawn - after the couple had given several media interviews and posed for photographs.

''We still feel very strongly that we deserve the prize,'' said Charles Bellows. ''We feel we haven't done anything wrong.''

Bellows said the couple even offered to donate a ''substantial portion'' of the prize to the Ronald McDonald House ''but we haven't had any response.''

Charles Rubner, a McDonald's vice president, told the Detroit News on Oct. 13 that ''a misunderstanding occurred'' because contest auditors were not aware thatCharlene Saunders worked at the Auburn franchise.

But Thomas Ludington, a Midland attorney representing Thelma Bellows, said he thinks McDonald's executives were concerned about image problems that could result from awarding the prize to a relative of a McDonald's employee.

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MANILA (OCT. 31) UPI - The Philippine peso, under pressure from Manila's serious scarcity of foreign exchange, registered this years sharpest fall Wednesday, depreciating from 25.75 to 28 to the dollar.

A statement by the Central Bank said the new level represented an 8.74 percent drop from the 25.75 value that had prevailed during the last six weeks at the trading floor of the Bankers Association of the Philippines.

CB said the depreciation took place due to the Philippines' widening trade deficit, which amounted to $2.56 billion, and a current account deficit of $1.69 billion during period January to August.

Both deficits were more than 50 percent higher than last year.

Officials were under pressure in recent weeks to devalue the peso to encourage more exports and larger remittances of overseas contract workers.

The peso's fall in value by 2.25 pesos was the biggest single drop recorded this year. In August, the peso registered a one-peso decline.

CB also said that at the new rate of 28 pesos, the peso has depreciated by a cumulative amount of 27.39 percent since February 1986 when the exchange rate was 21.979 pesos to the dollar. The peso suffered a much bigger depreciation of 107.52 percent between 1983 and 1985.

There were speculations the peso would further drop this year as a result of higher crude prices triggered by the Gulf crisis. The Philippines, heavily dependent on oil imports, increased local oil prices by 29 percent last month.

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#90304u0659 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (OCT. 31) UPI - A senior Soviet military official Wednesday denied a link between a recent cutback in oil supplies to Hungary and a dispute over the financial arrangements for the withdrawal of Red Army troops.

But Col. Anatoly Kirilov, deputy commander of the Soviet Southern Army Group, conceded the two governments have made little progress on resolving the dispute, which centers around Moscow's demands for payments for Soviet-built barracks and equipment the troops will leave behind.

The Soviets have put in a claim for $800 million as compensation for lost property. Hungary, however, is refusing to pay anything, saying the barracks are in poor condition and not suitable for civilian use.

The Hungarians also maintain that Soviet troops caused millions of dollars worth of damage to the environment in the past few decades.

Kirilov told a news conference the financial dispute had no bearing on Moscow's decision earlier in the fall to unilaterally reduce shipments of Soviet oil contracted for delivery to Hungary.

The cutback forced Hungary to use precious hard-currency reserves to purchase oil on the world market. It also contributed to last week's sharp rise in gasoline prices, which triggered three days of nationwide demonstrations by taxi and truck drivers, who blocked border crossings and major transit routes.

Relations between Moscow and Budapest have deteriorated in recent months following the government's announcement that it plans to withdraw from the Warsaw Pact. Earlier this year the two countries signed an accord calling for the withdrawal of all Soviet troops from Hungary by the middle of next year.

In another development in Hungary, Budapest's municipal assembly named a prominent opposition leader Wednesday as the city's first democratically elected mayor in more than 40 years.

Mayor Gabor Demszky is a member of the executive committee of the liberal Alliance of Free Democrats, which gained considerable ground on the Democratic Forum, the senior partner in the conservative coalition government, in last month's nationwide municipal elections.

The polls were the first free local elections since the Communists took power in 1948.

In an acceptance speech, Demszky cited the taxi and truck driver protests as evidence that Hungarians were dissatisfied with the current leadership.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - An original copy of the 13th Amendment to the Constitution abolishing slavery, signed by Abraham Lincoln, was sold at auction for $220,000 and will go on tour around the United States and Eastern Europe, it was announced Wednesday.

The 1865 document, also signed by 148 congressmen and other government officials, was purchased Tuesday at Sotheby's auction gallery by New Jersey dealer Seth Todd Kaller on behalf of a New York collector he described as a Wall Street investment banker who collects Lincoln items.

The 13th Amendment was a followup to the Emancipation Proclamation. Lincoln did not live to see it ratified but he signed the handwritten copy sold at Sotheby's as a souvernir of the kind used for fund-raising or for the collections of individual members of Congress.

The $220,000 purchase price was the highest ever paid for a copy of the amendment signed by Lincoln, of which there are seven others.

Kaller said the document will go on national tour as part of a Freedom and Democracy Exhibit after being exhibited at the New-York Historical Society in New York and the State Museum and Library in Albany in conjunction with the publication of Gov. Mario Cuomo's book, ''Lincoln and Democracy.''

The exhibit schedule includes visits to Eastern Europe in 1991 and 1992. The document will be exhibited alongside an original copy of the Emancipation Proclamation signed by Lincoln.

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#90304u0673 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - A Washington Post reporter trapped in Kuwait after Iraq's invasion was among four women named Wednesday to receive a new journalism award for showing bravery and dedication while covering hazardous events.

The 1990 Courage in Journalism Award was created by the International Women's Media Foundation, a non-profit organization, and includes $5,000 for each recipient.

Washington Post reporter Caryle Murphy, the only U.S. reporter to receive the award, remained in hiding for 26 days after Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, sending dispatches to the newspaper by using friends able to leave the country.

The other award winners were Maria Jimena Duzan of Colombia, Florica Ichim of Romania and Lilyanne Pierre Paul of Haiti.

Men also are eligible for the award even though it went to four women this year, a spokeswoman said.

Murphy's stories on post-invasion Kuwait City ran on the Post's front page without her byline, a move designed to protect her from possible reprisals by Iraqi troops. She was the only American reporter in Kuwait after the invasion.

In its citation, the foundation said Murphy ''astonished the world with her courageous reporting from Kuwait, where she hid for 26 days in August 1990 after Saddam Hussein invaded that country.''

The foundation said Duzan frequently faced danger while covering drug wars in her country for the newspaper Espectador. Ichim, a key reporter at Romania's largest opposition newspaper, Romania Libera, has ''displayed courage'' since her career began in the late 1960s, the group said.

Pierre Paul, correspondent for Radio Haiti Inter since 1977, has become a

major and outspoken critic of the Duvalier regime and subsequent Haitian governments, the foundation said.

The four women will receive their awards at a dinner Nov. 11 at the National Museum of Women in the Arts in Washington.

The International Women's Media Foundation, set up last year, is dedicated to strenghtening press freedoms and improving professional opportunities for women in communications.

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#90304u0675 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

MARIETTA, Ohio (OCT. 31) UPI - Cable television pioneer Ted Turner warned Tuesday the nation's budget deficit could result in the worst economic depression in the country's history.

''I would sure hope that the leadership of this country would stand up and say 'We are mad as hell; we're just not going to take it anymore. We are just not going to let our futures go down the drain,''' he said.

Turner, 51, chairman of the board and president of Turner Broadcasting System, addressed about 400 business leaders attending a Tuesday meeting of the Economic Round Table of the Mid-Ohio Valley.

He said the nation's debt could collapse like a house of cards and result in a recession, leading to a depression.

Turner was critical of the management of the economy by both Ronald Reagan and George Bush.

''I'd love to see a way you can create something out of nothing,'' he said. ''I have done it, but I don't think you can do it by spending someone else's money and spending more than you've got coming in,'' Turner said.

Turner said he has no aspirations to become a politician.

''I think I can make a greater contribution in global communications than I could with a political career in one country,'' he said. ''I want to be free.''

''Politics, particularly in this country, but most everywhere, is just one big series of compromises.'' said Turner, who was awarded the first Bernhard P. McDonough Award for Excellence in Leadership during his visit. The late McDonough was a self-made industrialist in nearby Parkersburg, W.Va.

Turner, who organized the Goodwill Games, also said he hopes the international athletic event will continue.

''The relationship between the superpowers will need a lot of contact,'' said Turner, who credited the games with helping to thaw U.S.-Soviet relations.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - Declining home prices and rising family income boosted housing affordability to a two-year high in September, the National Association of Realtors reported Wednesday.

The association's housing affordability index, which measures the ability of the average family to buy a home, reached 110.9 in September, meaning that the family would have more than enough income needed to qualify for conventional financing.

The index stood at 107.5 percent in August, the association said. The national median family income rose to $35,239 last month from $35,125, while the median price of a home dropped to $94,300 from $97,100. The income needed to qualify for a conventional mortgage dropped to $31,778 last month from $32,666 in August.

Changes in median home prices, median family income and the average mortgage rate between August and September caused a $19 decline in September's average monthly mortgage payment of $662.

Because the national median income in September was greater than the qualifying income, a family earning the median income could purchase a home priced at $104,578, or $10,278 higher than September's median price, and the highest price on record that the median family could afford.

Norman Flynn, the association's president, said September's affordability index indicates that the economic slowdown gripping much of the nation may not be as severe as first thought.

"Although some buyers seem to be putting their home buying plans on hold due to the slow down of the economy, the housing affordability index indicates that conditions are better than people think," Flynn said.

Flynn said fears of an "imminent housing crash" are unfounded, but added that the association is predicting a "mild" recession to last through the second quarter of next year.

"There is no reason for people to feel like the best place to put their money is under their mattress," he said. "Homeownership remains a solid investment with innumerable social benefits attached." Still, Flynn noted, the lure of more affordable housing has not been strong enough to pull buyers into the market.

Tuesday, the Commerce Department reported that sales of new single-family homes slipped six percent in September from August and slid a sharp 21 percent from year-earlier levels. So far this year, new home sales are down 15 percent.

According to the association's index, a family earning $20,000 would have enough income to qualify for a $59,300 house with a $47,400 loan. A family earning $30,000 would qualify for an $88,900 house with a $71,100 loan and a family earning $40,000 would have sufficient income to qualify for a $118,500 home with a $94,800 loan. Families earning $50,000 would have enough income to qualify for a $148,100 home using a $118,500 loan.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - Dozens of fires lit up the night sky in Detroit last night as the traditional Devil's night arson spree hit once again. There were NO reports of deaths or serious injuries, but several families were left homeless when flames spread from abandoned buildings to occupied houses. The fires occurred despite the presence of thousands of volunteers on city streets.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak doesN'T think much of Soviet President Gorbachev's call for an inter-Arab solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Gorbachev told reporters in France this week that Arabs should come up with their own solution to the problem. But Mubarak said any new Arab meeting without a specific agenda would become a summit of insults.

The Drug Enforcement Administration reportedly is investigating whether the December 1988 bombing of a Pan American World Airways jumbo jet over Scotland was linked to one of the agency's undercover operations. A broadcast report said the government is looking into an allegation that the bomb that killed 270 people might have been placed in the baggage of a Lebanese American acting as a D-E-A courier.

A search continues this morning in Louisiana's Barataria Bay for two workers missing after a gas well explosion. Three other workers were killed and a fourth was injured. Coast Guard vessels and helicopters recovered three bodies in the area. A Coast Guard spokesman said the crew was capping an abandoned gas well in the bay about 15 miles north of Grand Isle when the explosion occurred last night.

The Delta rocket program added to its history of successes last night. A Delta rocket lifted off without a hitch, then boosted a 90 Million-dollar mobile communications satellite into orbit. It was the 200th flight in the booster program's 30-year history. The flawless mission was the 22nd success in a row for rocket-builder McDonnell Douglas Space Systems of Huntington Beach, California.

A prominent Shanghai writer and government critic has been released after

being jailed for more than one year for links to the 1989 pro- democracy movement in China. 72-year-old Wang Ruowang said today he was NOT mistreated and spent most of his confinement reading. Family members said he was freed after acknowledging ''mistakes,'' but in a telephone conversation, Wang himself refused to confirm that. .

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - No longer will a headstone mark the grave of an American veteran when taps sound for him one last time - unless his family or friends pay for it.

The nation for which he fought, and sometimes bled, in World War I, World War II, Korea and Vietnam won't contribute anything.

Buried deep in the deficit-cutting legislation that Congress passed before it adjourned was the elimination of the $85 allowance for a headstone or marker for the graves of veterans not buried in a national cemetery.

By eliminating the headstone allowance and limiting burial plot allowance, the government will save $30 million in fiscal 1991 and $166 million over the next five years.

This new frugality on behalf of the dead veteran is only a portion of what Congress did and did not do in the closing hours of the session for America's former servicemen and servicewomen.

As part of the deficit-cutting package, Congress ordered cutbacks in numerous programs for veterans that will save $621 million the first year and $3.7 billion over five years.

If that were not enough, Congress then failed to approve a veterans' benefits and health care package, denying 2.1 million disabled veterans a 5.4 percent cost-of-living increase.

It was the first time disabled veterans did not get an increase when it was given Social Security recipients.

Taken together, passage of the deficit-reduction bill and failure to pass the benefits bill was tantamount to a carpet bombing of the veterans.

Dennis Cullinan, speaking for the Veterans of Foreign Wars, said that his organization did not like the cuts in the deficit-reduction program, adding, ''Veterans have done their part through the years in the attempt to balance the budget.''

He acknowledged, however, that those cuts were better than the ''total

devastation'' that would have struck veterans if across-the-board cuts had been imposed. That, he said, would have totaled $1.3 billion in fiscal 1991 alone.

Cullinan said the VFW was ''absolutely outraged'' at Congress's failure to pass the benefits bill and called it ''a slap in the face for the veterans of the nation.''

''Since Congress had time to vote themselves a pay raise, put money into S&L bailout and COLAs for Social Security recipients, it is the worst kind of neglect to fail to pass COLAs for veterans through last minute maneuverings,'' Cullinen said.

The benefits bill was blocked in a bitter dispute over provisions in the bill dealing with exposure to radiation and the defoliant Agent Orange and the types of cancer they are believed to cause.

But, in addition to losing the cost-of-living increase, the veterans were denied a lot more when the legislation was killed - in the areas of expanded health care, education and employment.

"It is tragic that the admant refusal of such a very, very few has frustrated the will of both House on the Agent Orange issue - along with so many other provisions - and prevented the enactment of this very valuable legislation,'' said Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., chairman of the Senate Veterans Committee.

Congress can attempt to enact the benefit bill next year - and certainly will try - but there is nothing that can be done about the sweeping cuts in the deficit-reduction package.

One of those provisions ''rounds down'' to the next lowest dollar the 5.4 percent COLAs - should Congress ever approve them - and would delay paying them for one month, netting an estimated $91 million in savings over five years.

Medical expenses for veterans, except for those with service- connected disabilities who have incomes of less than $17,214, will increase through first-ever charges of $10 a day in hospitals and $5 a day in nursing homes and a new $2 monthly fee for out-patient drugs.

The package suspends compensation for mentally incompetent veterans if they have estates of $25,000 until the estate drops to $10,000 and cuts off benefits for any secondary effects from alcohol or drug abuse.

The bill eliminates the presumption that a disabled veteran is totally disabled when he reaches 65; and cuts to $90 a month pensions to veterans in nursing homes who get help through Medicaid, the health insurance for the poor.

In housing, the fee for VA housing loans will increase from 1.37 percent to 1.87 percent for one year and, in jobs, vocational rehabilitation will be limited to veterans with disability ratings of 20 percent or more.

And if the widow of the veteran who lies in an unmarked grave remarries and that marriage ends, she would be denied a resumption of survivor's benefits.

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MIAMI (OCT. 31) UPI - Two men were rescued after drifting for at least 25 days in the Atlantic Ocean aboard their disabled 25-foot fishing boat, the Coast Guard said Wednesday.

Medics aboard the Coast Guard cutter Escabana were treating the younger man, Claude Ballu, 24, for severe dehydration and malnutrition. His weight dropped from about 150 pounds to about 95 pounds during the ordeal, Petty Officer Joe Dye said.

''He was given food and sugared liquid and his condition is now stable,'' Dye said.

His uncle, Irimi Ballu, 57, was in better condition and insisted on remaining aboard the disabled boat, which was under tow by the Escabana.

''They gave him food and water. He was alert and able to tell them what happened,'' Dye said.

The men, both from the French Caribbean island of Martinique, left the capital city of Fort de France aboard their 25-foot boat, Ruth, on a fishing trip. They were reported overdue Oct. 4, Dye said.

''Their boat became disabled sometime around Oct. 4 and the men have been adrift ever since,'' Dye said.

A passing sailboat, the Sasanac, picked them up Tuesday about 300 miles northeast of San Juan. They were transferred to the Escabana, and were to be transferred later to the Coast Guard cutter Vashon for the remainder of the trip to San Juan.

The men were expected to arrive in Puerto Rico Thursday, Dye said.

There was no word how they obtained drinking water or what they ate during the ordeal, Dye said.

''They both speak French and there was a little bit of a communication problem '' he said.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period Year Earlier
Allwaste Inc (4th Q 8-31)
$63,193,000 $62,194,000
a-$3,023,000 (.09) $4,409,000 (.13)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Astec Indus (3rd Q)
$35,387,000 $37,921,000
d-$3,766,000 d-$2,358,000
d-Deficit.

BancOklahoma Corp (3rd Q)
....
$2,105,000 (.01) a-$74,000
a-Preferred dividend requirements exceeded net income.

Basic Amer Medical (3rd Q)
$82,400,000 $69,000,000
d-$1,100,000 d-$1,200,000
d-Deficit.

Beneficial Corp (3rd Q)
....
$32,600,000 (1.40) $31,000,000 (1.27)

Block Drug Co (2nd Q 9-30)
$129,689,000 $110,699,000
$13,293,000 (.76) $11,275,000 (.64)

Central Vermont Pub Srv (3rd Q)
$53,254,000 $50,807,000
a-$4,759,000 (.66) b-$944,000 (.10)
a-Includes a one-time net gain of $1,300,000 from an investment tax credit related to a generation plant.
b-After a net writeoff of investment in Champlain Pipeline of $1,800,000.

Chili's Inc (1st Q 9-30)
$101,640,000 $83,423,000
$6,064,000 (.50) $4,749,000 (.44)

Columbia First (4th Q 9-30)
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d-$7,770,000 d-$129,000
d-Deficit.

Comair Holdings (2nd Q 9-30)
$47,823,000 $35,907,000
$2,440,000 (.30) $2,633,000 (.32)

Costco Wholesale (4th Q 9-2)
$1,349,565,000 $1,047,042,000
$21,917,000 (.60) $11,967,000 (.38)

CSC Indus (3rd Q)
$46,193,000 $42,911,000
d-$5,556,000 d-$8,716,000
d-Deficit.

Delmarva Pwr & Lt (3rd Q 9-30)
$227,933,000 $216,167,000
$35,104,000 (.69) $36,244,000 (.74)

Del Webb Corp (1st Q 9-30)
$48,801,000 $54,563,000
$1,987,000 (.21) $3,754,000 (.35)

Eastman Kodak (3rd Q)
$4,774,000,000 $4,535,000,000
d-$206,000,000 $300,000,000 (.93)
d-Deficit, after a charge of $909,500,000 from a Polaroid patent litigation judgment.

Encore Computer (3rd Q)
$53,002,000 $52,153,000
d-$4,109,000 d-$14,482,000
d-Deficit.

General Motors (3rd Q)
$30,772,700,000 $28,793,100,000
d-$1,978,800,000 $516,900,000 (.72)
d-Deficit, after an after-tax charge of $2,100,000,000 to reflect the costs related to the closing of four previously idled U.S. assembly plants, as well as provisions for closing other North American manufacturing and warehouse operations over the next three years. General Motors said it earned $109,000,000 before the charge.

Healthcare Intl (1st Q 9-30)
$50,857,000 $80,471,000
d-$3,659,000 d-$10,194,000
d-Deficit.

Ipalco Enterprises (3rd Q 9-30)
$166,977,000 $159,348,000
$30,162,000 (.80) $33,335,000 (.89)

Journeys End (Year 7-31)
$95,000,000 $109,000,000
$6,600,000 (.66) $10,800,000 (1.07)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Kollmorgen Corp (3rd Q)
$56,100,000 $51,889,000
a-$1,745,000 (.12) d-$4,010,000
d-Deficit.

Lifetime Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$184,997,000 $114,936,000
$4,662,000 (.52) $2,522,000 (.38)

LIN Broadcasting (3rd Q)
$94,853,000 $61,702,000
d-$5,799,000 $24,591,000 (.46)
d-Deficit.

Mark Resources (9 Mos 9-30)
$64,378,000 $54,311,000
$1,402,000 (.05) $1,485,000 (.06)

Maxus Energy (3rd Q)
$173,800,000 $147,100,000
a-$4,100,000 d-$20,000,000
a-Preferred dividend requirements exceeded net income.
d-Deficit.

McCaw Cellular Commun (3rd Q)
$280,500,000 $129,700,000
d-$80,000,000 d-$44,900,000
d-Deficit.

Memotec Data (3rd Q)
$98,800,000 $82,100,000
$4,100,000 (.10) $2,500,000
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Merchants Group (3rd Q)
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$1,415,000 (.65) $1,456,000 (.67)

Meridian Technol (9 Mos 9-30)
$70,311,000 $42,240,000
$1,525,000 (.18) $1,899,000 (.22)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Merrimack Bancorp (3rd Q)
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d-$12,951,000 $461,000 (.12)
d-Deficit.

Newmont Mining (3rd Q 9-30)
$170,066,000 b-$172,863,000
a-$248,449,000 (3.66) $25,752,000 (.38)
a-Includes gain of $67,200,000 (.99) on sale of 19.99 percent interest in Newmont Australia Ltd. and gain of $151,111,000 from disposition of operations.
b-Restated to reflect Newmont Australia on an equity method of accounting and Peabody Holding as a discontinued operation.

Nobil Drilling (3rd Q)
$32,028,000 $28,694,000
d-$599,000 $714,000 (.02)
d-Deficit.

Pyramid Technology (4th Q 9-30)
$55,694,000 $30,531,000
$5,323,000 (.46) $2,750,000 (.31)

Quaker Chemical (3rd Q)
$51,772,000 $46,123,000
$3,455,000 (.36) $3,100,000 (.33)

SNC Group (3rd Q)
$97,312,000 $83,864,000
$6,083,000 (.57) $5,983,000 (.53)

SPS Technologies (3rd Q 9-30)
$107,670,000 $102,597,000
d-$3,274,000 $4,398,000 (.88)
d-Deficit.

Stevens Graphics (3rd Q)
$25,240,000 $29,539,000
d-$2,180,000 $1,665,000 (.21)
d-Deficit.

Teradata Corp (1st Q)
$47,433,000 $42,979,000
d-$7,611,000 $1,953,000 (.14)

d-Deficit.

UNSL Financial Corp (3rd Q)

....	....
d-$1,801,000	$615,000 (.38)

d-Deficit.

Zenith Natl Insurance (3rd Q)

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$7,225,000 (.37)	$10,354,000 (.50)

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - Three months after Iraq's takeover of Kuwait, U.S. mainline churches are forging a consensus on American Middle East policy that could soon put them at odds with President Bush and the administration.

At the heart of the churches' stand is an opposition to any unilateral military action by the United States and a demand that American policy exhaust all possible peaceful solutions to the conflict.

The mainline church stances could be critical for Bush in maintaining public support for his gulf policies. In the late 1960s and early 1970s, church opposition to the war in Vietnam helped make the anti-war movement respectable and provided thousands of middle-aged, middle-class demonstrators at anti-war protests.

Most recently, the church council of the middle-of-the-road 5.3 million-member Evangelical Lutheran Church in America adopted a lengthy two-page resolution on the crisis calling on the U.S. government to ''reflect the consensus within the international community that a peaceful resolution of the conflict be sought and that international law be enforced.''

The ELCA is the nation's fourth largest Protestant religious bodies and draws much of its strength from rural and mid-America.

Its statement on the crisis, also called for a ''just resolution of all conflicts in the region'' - a reference to the Israeli-Palestinian problem - and an end to ''transfers and sales of destabilizing military armaments to all of the nations of the Middle East.'' It closely tracks recent statements by leaders of the Episcopal Church and the Methodist Church as well as by coalitions of church groups.

In particular, church groups are pressing to bring the military force arrayed against Iraq under United Nations control.

The Lutheran resolution, for example, urged that the United States ''negotiate

with the United Nations with the goal of bringing the military forces in the region under United Nations authority and control as soon as feasible.''

That echoes a letter sent to selected members of Congress by 14 church groups organized as Churches for Middle East Peace which said ''U.S. forces have served their stated purpose and should be reduced. Forces designed as a deterrent to Iraq should at the earliest possible date come under full U.N. authority and control.''

In addition to warning against U.S. unilateral military or diplomatic actions and urging continued U.N. and Arab efforts to negotiate a settlment, elements of the church consensus also include:

-A universal condemnation of Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and a call for it to return to its pre-invasion borders.

-A linking of efforts to solve the gulf crisis with the Israeli- Palestinian problem. ''We ask our people and the government of the United States to increase their attention to the peace process involving Palestinians and Israelis in recognition that no peace is possible in the Middle East without security for the Palestinian people,'' the House of Bishops of the Episcopal Church said.

-Opposition to including food, medicine and other humanitarian goods for the Iraqi and Kuwaiti people in the economic embargo sanctioned by the United Nations. ''U.S. inistence on including food and medicine in the embargo will strengthen the prvailing opinion within the Arab world that the United States is concerned not for Arab people's lives but only with oil,'' the Churches for Middle East Peace said.

-A call for a comprehensive U.S. energy policy that reduce U.S. dependence on foreign fuel supplies. The ELCA statement called for the United States to ''develop and abide by a sound energy policy in the very near future'' to reduce its dependence on oil.

''For what reason has our nation unleashed the greatest military force since the Vietnam War,'' Edmond Browning, presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church asked in an Oct. 5 statement. ''Are we not justified in suspecting that the reason is primarily economic, having to do with unimpeded access to oil?

''Let us examine our national priorities and our addiction to unnecessary consumption,'' Browning said.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
BB&T Financial	Q	.21	12-14	11-30
Usual				
Acme United Corp	..	.06	12-5	11-9
Belvedere Corp	Q	.01	11-30	11-14
Carpenter Technol	Q	.60	12-6	11-9
Comair Holdings	Q	.10	11-21	11-9
Delta Air Lines	Q	.30	12-1	11-8
Del Webb Corp	Q	.05	12-3	11-9
Hon Industries	Q	.07 1/2	12-1	11-12
McDonald & Co Inc	Q	.05	11-23	11-13
NUI Corp	Q	.39	12-15	11-16
Norwich Fincl	Q	.05	11-28	11-14
O'Sullivan Corp	Q	.07	1-5	12-14
UNSL Fincl Corp	Q	.15	12-1	11-5
Waverly Inc	Q	.10	12-12	11-26
Weigh-Tronix Inc	Q	.10	12-14	11-15
Wellman Inc	Q	.03	12-17	12-3

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.00-86.20 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 131.70 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 41.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $210.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $421.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $437.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $111.83 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 295.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST (OCT. 31) UPI - Liberian rebels led by Charles Taylor pleaded Wednesday for a cease-fire in the 10-month-old civil war, but contended the five-nation peacekeeping force has compromised its neutrality by becoming a party to the revolution.

Taylor's chief spokesman and defense minister, Tom Woweiyu, said the National Patriotic Front of Liberia is prepared to stop shooting if the five-nation Economic Community of West African States, a peacekeeping force in Liberia, halts its advance against the NPFL.

''We will cease firing within 10 minutes if the ECOWAS force agrees to cease-fire as well,'' Woweiyu said Wednesday in Abidjan.

But he rejected the conditions laid down by ECOWAS that led to the failure of peace talks in the Gambian capital of Banjul last Thursday and to the cancellation of talks in Bamako, Mali, due to open Wednesday.

The Banjul ceasefire agreement, which was accepted by another rebel faction led by Prince Johnson, would have given ECOWAS the right to post its soldiers throughout Liberia to monitor the truce.

Taylor refused to accept this because his forces control up to 90 per cent of the country. ''The conditionalities of the agreement absorb the sovereignty of Liberia,'' said Woweiyu.

Woweiyu claimed there are countries in the region that do not want a settlement, but he did not identify them.

''Why did ECOWAS send soldiers if talking is the procedure?'' NPFL foreign

affairs spokesman Ernest Eastman said at the Abidjan meeting Wedensday. The NPFL contends ECOWAS cannot adopt a monitoring role because it has become a part of the conflict following its attacks on Taylor's forces in recent weeks. Taylor contends ECOWAS troops should be party to the cease fire.

Woweiyu said: ''Discussion with all the ECOWAS countries is fine, except those fighting in Liberia. We will be prepared to convene a meeting with the ECOWAS heads of state that includes all the member countries, so that ECOWAS is diluted.''

The refusal of the NPFL to accept the mediating role of ECOWAS while its forces are fighting in Liberia led to the cancellation of the meeting in Bali that was to convene Wednesday.

''The content of the ECOWAS force and their behaviour does not make them in any way neutral,'' said Woweiyu.

''We should stop talking to this mediation group because they are not mediating. We are not being intransigent. A ceasefire should be the first thing, then we can continue to talk. This mediation group is the same group that we are fighting and we can't expect anything out of it,'' he said.

The mediation committee is composed of Nigeria, Mali, Togo, Gambia and Ghana. The meetings are also attended by Guinea and Sierra Leone, two of the countries most affected by refugees from the war. The Bamako meeting was to be attended by heads of state from Gambia, Mali, Nigeria and Ghana.

Woweiyu said Taylor is expected to attend a full meeting of ECOWAS heads of state in Bamako on Nov. 27.

The revolution began in December 1989, but did not come to light until January when Taylor led a coup against President Samuel Doe's government. Doe was subsequently killed but not before Prince Johnson deserted Taylor's rebels and set up his own faction.

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DHAKA, BANGLADESH (OCT. 31) UPI - The government Wednesday night imposed an indefinite curfew on older sections of the city amid mounting tension over the storming of a Moslem mosque by Hindus in Ayodhya, India.

An announcement read over radio and television urged people residing in predominantly Hindu neighborhoods of Dhaka to stay at home and not leave without without written permission from the authorities.

About 84 percent of the population of Bangladesh are Moslems, while Hindus constitute about 12 percent.

The curfew was ordered after a attempt by protesters to set fire to Hindu temples in old sections of Dhaka. Police foiled the attempts, but the demonstrators seized cameras of newsmen outside on temple, witnesses said.

President Hussain Muhammad Ershad and religious leaders in separate statements appealed to the public to maintain order. The government Wednesday banned a popular Bengali language newspaper for 15 days, for publishing allegedly provocative news accounts and editorials on the mosque incidents.

Maulana Fazlul haq Amini, chief of the Islamic Fundamentalist party Khelafat Andolan, protested a recent attack on the Babri mosque in India, but warned that any harm to Hindus in Bangladesh or damage to their property is not permissible under Islam.

He called on his audience of about 10,000 followers in front of the National Press Club to maintain calm.

Another curfew clamped early Wednesday on Chittagong city, about 215 miles southeast of Dhaka, was withdrawn later in the day as the situation returned to normal, officials said.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (OCT. 31) UPI - The government lifted sweeping emergency regulations in 11 black townships around Johannesburg Wednesday, citing a sharp drop in black factional fighting which prompted the measures in late August.

But Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok said the special rules, giving police wide powers of search and arrest and imposed in 27 townships on Aug. 24, would be maintained in 16 other areas because they were still experiencing sporadic violence.

The violence left at least 800 people dead during August and September.

At the same time as Vlok's announcement, 31 unidentified victims of the violence were being buried in a mass but low-key ceremony in the nation's largest black township of Soweto.

The move also came as a police statement said a senior member of the exclusively Zulu Inkatha movement was gunned down in broad daylight Tuesday in the center of the troubled Natal province city of Pietermaritzburg.

President Frederik de Klerk lifted a 52-month-old state of emergency in Natal on Oct. 18, also crediting a tailoff in violence. Police said Wednesday the latest killing was ''part of this region's small and regular black-on-black

outbursts.''

Vlok, announcing the lifting of special measures in the 11 Transvaal townships said, ''A large measure of calm'' had returned.

''This has allowed us to lift the regulations stipulating them unrest areas,'' he said. He said of the other townships around Johannesburg affected by the rules, including Soweto, ''There is still sporadic violence.''

''It is of cardinal importance that law and order be maintained to make peaceful change in the country possible,'' Vlok added, apparently referring to suggestions from the African National Congress that the strife threatened its fledgling talks with the government on ending white minority rule.

Pretoria imposed the emergency measures after more than two weeks of factional fighting killed some 500 people. But the battles continued and the major violence was only quelled after another month and 300 deaths by the introduction of the military-style Operation Iron Fist.

Most Iron Fist measures, including roadblocks, heavily armed army and police patrols and cordoning off flashpoint areas, are still in effect.

ANC Deputy President Nelson Mandela called the emergency regulations and Iron Fist rules ''totally useless'' and said they did not address the root causes of the problem.

Government officials characterized the violence chiefly as tribal- based, between Inkatha and the multi-tribal support of the ANC. But Mandela said a shadowy ''third force,'' possibly backed by rightist security force elements, was fomenting the fighting.

The ANC also accused Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi of exporting the violence from the Zulu power-base of Natal, where fighting between Inkatha and the ANC has killed as many as 4,000 people since 1987.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - Constance and Howard Clery transformed grief over their daughter's brutal murder in her Lehigh University dormitory room into a bittersweet victory in their determined fight for strengthened campus security.

President Bush will soon sign legislation, drafted at the Clery's urging, requiring all colleges and universities receiving federal aid to provide campus crime statistics to students and campus employees annually and to prospective students upon request.

''It's a great relief. Now we know our daughter's life was not in vain and

that her tragedy is sparing other victims in this country of the terrible agony that never ends when you are a victim of mental or physical violence,'' Constance Clery said in a telephone interview from Security on Campus Inc. in Gulph Mills, Pa., near Philadelphia.

The Clerys organized the group to help victims cope with college campus crime after their daughter, Jeanne, was robbed, raped, slashed and suffocated in her dorm room April 5, 1986, by a fellow student.

The couple discovered during the murder trial the ''horrifying'' extent of violent crime occurring on seemingly quiet campuses across the country.

The group has been successful in getting 11 states to pass laws requiring colleges and universities in the state to report crime statistics.

The bill that just cleared Congress will require all colleges and universities receiving federal assistance to tally statistics on murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, liquor law violations, drug abuse violations and weapons possession violations. No tally, no federal aid. The Education Department will compile the information.

The bill also requires reporting of graduation rates, the rate at which graduates enter the labor market in fields for which they were trained, and the school's revenue from and spending for athletic activities.

Rep. William Goodling, R-Pa., chief sponsor of the bill, said he hopes the crime information will help students make wise choices to avoid becoming a statistic.

''We hope this will drive colleges and universities into providing better security, because now the statistics will be out in the open and there will be no place to hide,'' he said.

Clery said if Jeanne had known about the prevalence of crime at her school, ''she would not have left her door open. ... These colleges that look safe are not safe, and it doesn't matter if it is a surburban, rural or urban campus.''

But some educational associations expressed reservations about the bill's eventual impact.

Gay Clyburn, spokeswoman for the National Association of State Colleges and Universities, said the data could be misleading, contending a reported crime might have occurred near or off campus.

''It may give people an inaccurate view of the safety on a campus,'' Clyburn said.

And Victor Milani, a criminal law professor at Bay Path College near

Springfield, Mass., who doubles as the Brimfield, Mass., police chief, has spoken out vociferously against the measure. He thinks it may discourage schools from prosecuting minor crimes to keep their public image intact.

While campus crime has remained fairly stable during the last three years, officials at the National Campus Violence Prevention Center at Towson State University in Baltimore are expecting to report increases when current data is compiled, especially in bias-related violence against homosexuals, women, Jews and other minorities.

The center's director, Jan Sherrill, attributed the anticipated increase to greater reporting of crimes as well as an actual crime surge.

Rape between people who know each other, often called ''date rape,'' appears to be on the upswing as well.

''With greater reporting of this type of crime, there is a rising awareness amongst men, however slight, that there are different kinds of relationships, and 'no' means 'no,''' said David Stormer, president of the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators. He is Penn State University's assistant vice president for safety.

In the 1989-90 school year at Penn State, Stormer said, there were seven reported rapes, six of which were between acquaintances. Three were prosecuted netting one conviction.

Since September 1990, 13 cases of date rape at the University of Wisconsin-Madison were reported to counseling services or the dean of students. No criminal complaints were filed.

''This is no big increase over last year or the year before. So sexual assault-wise on campus property, it's a pretty safe place to be,'' said Ralph Hanson, the Madison campus police chief.

Constance Clery wants campuses to be more than ''pretty safe'' and feels confident the new law will help.

''I just know that Jeanne's death now has helped others to live. So I'm grateful,'' she said.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - The publisher of Random House who reportedly gave Donald Trump a $2 million advance on his foundering second book has been replaced, but an executive denied Wednesday that the Trump book had anything to do with it.

"Anybody who thinks I would have made the decision to replace Joni Evans on the basis of the Trump book doesn't know anything about publishing, said Alberto Vitale, chief executive of Random House, the nation's largest publisher of general interest books. "Her record is sterling."

Vitale said Evans, 48, would become publisher of books under her own label at Random House and would be president of the division. She has been replaced as the firm's publisher by Harold Evans, no relation, editor-in-chief of Conde Nast Traveler, former editor of the Times of London, and husband of Vanity Fair Editor Tina Brown.

During 1990, Joni Evans' third year as Random House publisher, the firm had a record 18 best sellers including books by Dr. Seuss, Kevin Phillips and William Styron. It also published Trump's "Surviving at the Top," which hit the best seller lists for three weeks then lost its sales impetus and the chance to earn the $2 million paid Trump in advance.

Joni Evans came to Random House in 1967 after her divorce from Richard Snyder, chairman of Simon & Schuster, a competing publishing firm. She had been trade book publisher at that firm. Random House is owned by Advance Publications, an S.I. Newhouse family firm which also owns Knopf, Ballantine, Pantheon and Crown book firms and Conde Nast magazines.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (OCT. 31) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Wednesday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Oct. 31:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	44	06
Amsterdam c	1pm	53	11
Ankara c	3pm	62	16

Athens c	2pm	78	26
Auckland c	12m	60	15
Beijing c	8pm	67	19
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	54	12
Bonn c	1pm	57	14
Brussels cy	1pm	52	11
Cairo c	2pm	95	35
Casablanca pc	12n	72	22
Copenhagen cy	1pm	49	09
Dakar c	12n	88	31
Dublin r	1pm	51	11
Geneva r	1pm	52	11
Helsinki r	2pm	36	02
Hong Kong c	8pm	77	25
Jerusalem c	2pm	92	33
Karachi c	5pm	91	33
Lisbon cy	1pm	59	15
London cy	1pm	54	12
Madrid cy	1pm	64	17
Malta	1pm	-	-
Manila cy	8pm	85	29
Moscow r	3pm	36	02
Nairobi cy	3pm	79	26
Nassau c	7am	77	25
New Delhi c	6pm	88	31
Nice cy	1pm	68	20
Oslo cy	1pm	43	06
Paris c	1pm	57	14
Pretoria pc	2pm	86	30
Riyadh	3pm	86	30
Rome pc	1pm	74	23
Seoul c	9pm	57	13
Sofia pc	2pm	64	18
Stockholm r	1pm	41	05
Sydney pc	10pm	70	21
Taipei cy	8pm	75	23
Tokyo pc	9pm	64	18
Tunis c	1pm	85	29
Vienna c	1pm	58	14
Warsaw pc	1pm	51	10

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	68	20
Caracas pc	8am	71	21
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	62	16
Mexico City hz	6am	49	09

Rio de Janeiro c	9am	81	27
Santiago c	8am	55	13

Canada

Calgary cy	55	12
Edmonton cy	52	11
Montreal c	47	08
Ottawa c	47	08
Regina cy	63	17
Toronto cy	60	15
Vancouver cy	56	13
Winnipeg c	56	13

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

-30- 2392
#90304u0833 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - President Bush said Wednesday that he does not feel pushed toward military action in the Persian Gulf. Between the lines, however, lay growing concern for the plight of American hostages that could force his hand.

In a burst of sharp words that stopped short of direct threats, Bush vented anger at Saddam Hussein for the treatment of American diplomats holed up in the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait City, cut off from food, water and other supplies.

And while he insisted hostages will not be used as ''a pretext'' for military action and said their fate will not drive U.S. policy, he made clear they could become an even larger factor in determining his future actions.

''The American flag is flying over the Kuwaiti embassy and our people are being starved inside by a brutal dictator,'' he said. ''And do you think I'm concerned about it? You're darned right I am. And what I'm going to do about it? Let's just wait and see, because I have had it with that kind of treatment of Americans and I know others feel that way.''

Speaking to reporters before and after a campaign appearance in suburban Virginia, Bush bristled at ''indecent'' suggestions his administration has turned hawkish toward Iraq in the last week in a bid to bolster his sagging

popularity and GOP chances in next week's elections.

Branding such allegations ''the ultimate of cynicism,'' he said, ''I don't think even the most cynical would ever suggest that a president would play politics with the lives of American kids halfway around the world.''

Vice President Dan Quayle later chimed in that it was ''just totally erroneous'' to think Bush was racheting up his rhetoric on the gulf crisis for domestic political reasons.

In fact, there has been little overt political sniping over the gulf crisis in recent days. Only Tuesday, Bush received a somewhat edgy vote of bipartisan confidence from congressional leaders, despite concern by some that the hostages not provoke the United States into a military response before all other forms of pressure on Saddam have failed.

Bush said there were ''varying estimates'' of how long the Americans in the embassy in Kuwait City can hold out and added there was no ''drop-dead date or pullout date'' for closing the compound, which has remained occupied in defiance of Iraq's claim of annexation.

On the strength of a U.N. Security Council resolution earlier this week, demanding that Iraq permit the resupply of embassies in Kuwait City, Bush said U.S. officials were ''looking at every possibility'' for doing so and advised Saddam ''think very carefully about what he's doing there.''

Asked whether a refusal by Saddam to permit the resupply of the embassy would constitute the kind of provocation that could lead to war, Bush said, ''It would not be good for me to signal what I might or might not do.''

''We're still moving forces and we have a significant coalition of armed forces on the ground and we'll just have to wait and see,'' he said when asked where events might lead. ''In the meantime, we will send a steady, strong message to Saddam Hussein that we are not going to tolerate this aggression.''

Over the last week, the administration tone has turned hawkish in part to bring the gulf crisis back into focus after weeks of domestic political warfare over the budget and to dispel any doubts in Baghdad about the firmness of U.S. resolve.

Talk of deals and diplomatic solutions prompted Bush to reaffirm his stand that there will be no compromise from the fundamental U.S. demand that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait before any of its political, economic or territorial grievances are addressed.

Bush denied losing patience with the economic sanctions he hoped to see force a retreat by Saddam, but conceded they ''haven't driven the man to do what he should have done, which is to get out of Kuwait and reverse this aggression.''

While insisting he has not ''been thinking in terms of timelines,'' he said his willingness to ''wait and see'' whether those measures work was in effect only ''at this juncture.''

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#90304u0873 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - President Bush vented his anger against Saddam Hussein today at a campaign stop in Virginia for Representative Stan Paris. A visibly upset Bush said he deplored the treatment of U-S hostages and diplomats who have been trapped inside the American Embassy in Kuwait City since Iraq invaded the emirate on August 2nd. Iraq has cut off food, water and power to the U-S diplomatic compound.

Bush told reporters that he will NOT let the fate of the hostages drive his foreign policy, but adds- ''I have had it with that kind of treatment of Americans, and I know others feel that way.'' Bush accused the Iraqi dictator of trying to starve the Americans. And he said he is sending Saddam a steady, strong message ''that we are NOT going to tolerate this aggression.''

The Commerce Department says U-S personal income climbed one-half of one percent in September, but personal consumption jumped one-point-one percent, an apparent reflection of increased costs for oil. The income increase is line with private predictions, but the consumption figure was higher because of the Persian Gulf crisis.

The government also reported this morning that factory orders increased a slim one-tenth of one percent last month... about one-half of what private economists had expected. Factory orders climbed a revised one-point-seven percent in August, and the reduced growth rate in September is seen as another indicator of the effects of the Gulf crisis and its increased oil prices.

Residents of Detroit's lower east side woke up this morning to see what damage occurred during dozens of arson fires that lit up the sky last night. Some of the homes destroyed were occupied, leaving several families homeless. This is all part of what has become an UNwelcome tradition in Detroit, six years of so-called ''Devil's Night'' fires during Halloween. More than 35-thousand volunteers patrolled Detroit streets last night.

Yet another cease-fire has been declared for Lebanon... this one by rival Shiite militias who have decided to end three years of bloody fighting that claimed more than one-thousand lives. The pro- Iranian Hezbollah, or party of God, and the Syrian- backed Amal militia say they will exchange prisoners. Representatives from both sides plan to meet today to discuss how to evacuate all of the wounded from the battle areas.

Some members of the jury that convicted Washington Mayor Marion Barry came

into the courtroom at the beginning with plans to acquit him. That's the charge leveled by the person who presided over the trial, federal Judge Thomas Jackson. Jackson lashed out at jury members yesterday in his first public comments on the trial. Barry got a six- month sentence after being found guilty of misdemeanor cocaine possession. Jackson says he believes four jurors planned to acquit Barry NO matter what evidence was presented.

The South African government today lifted sweeping emergency regulations in 11 black townships around Johannesburg, citing a sharp drop in the black factional violence that led to the measures in August. But the nation's law and order minister says the regulations giving police wide powers of search and arrest will remain in effect in 16 affected areas. At about the same time, authorities reported the assassination of a senior member of the Zulu Inkatha movement in Natal Province.

Tunnelers digging under the English Channel from France and Britain linked up yesterday for the first time. A French digging machine punched a two-inch hole between the two shafts of a service tunnel, climaxing three years of construction. 90 minutes later... eight workers were injured in an accident on the French side when a small locomotive derailed and rammed a number of cars. Six workers were hospitalized, four in critical condition.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - Scientists have pinpointed a rare, genetic flaw that makes people unusually sensitive to sunlight and predisposes them to skin cancer, it was reported Wednesday.

A Japanese team headed by Kiyoji Tanaka at Osaka University said it has discovered and made copies of a gene that when defective causes the most common type of a disease called xeroderma pigmentosum.

About one in 250,000 people suffer from xeroderma pigmentosum, an inherited disease in which skin cells lack the normal ability to repair the damage the sun's ultraviolet light inflicts on genetic material.

People with xeroderma pigmentosum must avoid exposure to sunlight. If they fail to do so, they run a high risk of developing skin cancer and potentially blinding growths on the eyelids and cornea.

At least eight genes are believed to be linked to the disease. But the genetic defect singled out by the Japanese team on chromosome 9 is believed to be the most common, accounting for about one-quarter of cases.

The latest discovery, published in the British journal Nature, comes on the heels of a Dutch team's findings that a gene on chromosome 2 appears to cause a very rare type of xeroderma pigmentosum.

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#90304u0882 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
COLUMBUS, OH (OCT. 31) UPI - The Ohio Supreme Court Wednesday disbarred convicted lawyer Thomas Root, whose plane went down in the Atlantic after he was mysteriously shot last year.

Root was convicted of securities fraud in connection with a North Carolina media company's activities and the high court took action after he failed to respond to an order to show why he should not be disciplined.

Root, who lives in Virginia, was sentenced to 15 years in prison in North Carolina last week and fined $5,000 after pleading no contest to 364 counts of securities fraud, conspiracy and related charges.

He first came to national attention when his small plane went down in the Atlantic Ocean in 1989 with no explanation and he emerged with a gunshot wound.

Last June, a Nash County, N.C., grand jury handed up a lengthy indictment containing 2,695 counts against Root and other officials of Sonrise Management Services and Telemedia Inc., a company that helped form partnerships to obtain federal licenses for low-power FM radio stations.

Root was disbarred by his own consent in the District of Columbia.

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#90304u0887 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
OMAHA (OCT. 31) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 600; trading on light run of slaughter steers and heifers only moderately active at best, prices both classes near steady with Tuesday, although weak undertone evident, slaughter cows firm to 1.00 higher than Tuesday, demand sparked by good interest from country accounts for cows to go back out, slaughter bulls 1.00 lower than Tuesday, slaughter steers choice No 2-3, few 4s 1100- 1300 lb 79.00-80.00, package 80.25, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 77.00-79.00; slaughter heifers choice No 2-3, few 4s 950- 1200 lb 79.00-80.00, select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 77.00-79.00; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 breaking few 51.25- 53.25, boning 47.50-54.25, yield grade No 1-2 or fat, 1200-2050 lb 60.00-62.00.

Hogs 1,300, feeder pigs 800, total 2,100; butchers 50 higher, active, No 1-3 220-260 lb 52.50-53.00, No 2-3 260-290 lb 50.50-52.00, 290- 310 lb few 48.00-49.00; sows near 40 percent, under 500 lb steady, over 500 lb 1.00 lower No 1-3 350-500 lb 46.25-46.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 48.00-49.00.

Sheep 100, slaughter lambs 1.00 lower, ewes steady; shorn slaughter lambs

choice and prime 120-130 lb No 1-2 pelts 51.00-52.00; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 110-130 lb 49.00-50.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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#90304u0897 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

SIDON, LEBANON (OCT. 31) UPI - A PLO official said Wednesday Palestinian fighters disengaging rival Shiite militias in southern Lebanon since last December will not withdraw unless the Lebanese government begins talks on future ties between the two factions.

PLO representative in Lebanon Zeid Wehbeh said a Lebanese-Palestinian dialogue that should result in the reopening of the organization office in Beirut was a pre-condition to any Palestinian pullout from the Iklim Al Tuffah region, east of the port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut.

Some 1,700 Palestinian fighters loyal to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat sprung out of the nearby refugee camp of Ein El Helweh on the outskirts of Sidon and took up positions in some areas in the Tuffah region last December.

The move was aimed at disengaging the Iranian-backed Hezbollah and the pro-Syrian Amal movement, which engaged in fierce battles for control of the strategic region.

''There will be no change of positions in the Tuffah region except after a legitimate Lebanese-Palestinian dialogue because the Palestinian presence in any position is part of the whole Lebanese cause,'' Wehbeh said.

His statement came less than 24 hours after both the Hezbollah and Amal declared ''a complete and comprehensive cease-fire'' to end their bloody three-year dispute.

More than 1,000 people have been killed and thousands wounded and displaced since Amal and Hezbollah started fighting three years ago for the control of Lebanon's estimated 1.5 million Shiites.

The inter-Shiite violence first erupted in Beirut's southern suburbs, and then expanded to the Tuffah region, prompting the expansion of a Palestinian military presence in the south.

According to Palestinian sources, more than 180 Palestinians of the disengagement force were killed during the battles since December.

Analysts said at the time the Palestinian move was prompted by fears that the Hezbollah gunmen, who drove the Amal out of five villages, would gain more territory in the south at the expense of the PLO.

Syria and Iran have been negotiating for months on a final settlement for the inter-Shiite dispute. Many attempts in that direction had failed in the past.

The truce preceded a scheduled visit by Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati to the Syrian capital aimed at finalizing an agreement that would close the inter-Shiite file.

The cease-fire agreement between Amal and Hezbollah, which was reached in Beirut late Tuesday, boosted hopes that a plan by the Lebanese government to send army troops to the embattled region would soon be materialized.

But Wehbeh's statement dealt a harsh blow to the ongoing efforts. ''We will not be an obstacle in the way of the Lebanese Army but there will be no change in positions in the Tuffah region except after a Lebanese-Palestinian dialogue '' Wehbeh said.

The Palestinian official said the role of the Lebanese army should not be limited to the Tuffah region but expanded to Israel's self- declared ''security zone.''

Israel established the ''security zone'' after it withdrew the bulk of its troops in 1985. The zone, 9 square miles along the Lebanese- Israeli frontier, is patrolled by Israeli troops and their surrogate South Lebanon Army militia.

Observers said Wehbeh's remarks came in response to those last week by U.S. Ambassadors to Syria Edward Djerjian, who said that all armed groups including Palestinian factions should be dissolved.

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#90304u0898 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW ORLEANS (OCT. 31) UPI - Louisiana is about to elect its first black congressman in more than 100 years.

On Nov. 6, voters in New Orleans will choose between state Sen. William Jefferson and attorney Marc Morial to represent the 2nd Congressional District. Both are black Democrats. But the similarities end there.

The contest is a combination family feud between the city's two strongest political camps and classic struggle of experience vs. youth, self-made man vs. privileged scion, veteran officeholder vs. new challenger.

The 2nd District seat is being vacated by Democratic Rep. Lindy Boggs, the only white member of Congress representing a predominantly black district. Her retirement from politics after 17 years in the House ends a 50-year hold on the seat begun by her husband, Hale Boggs, who was lost in an Alaskan plane crash in 1972.

White flight over the years has turned the district predominantly black, although Boggs, 73, was so well-respected she never encountered more than token opposition in previous races.

Jefferson and Morial finished first and second respectively in a 12- candidate field in Louisiana's Oct. 6 open primary.

Under the open primary system, all candidates of all parties run on the same ballot. If no candidate wins a majority of more than 50 percent, the top two vote-getters compete in a runoff.

The primary contest setting up the historic election was obscured by the highly charged U.S. Senate race, in which incumbent J. Bennett Johnston held off a stronger-than-expected challenge from former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke.

Since then, the congressional race has become equally emotional with each side blaming the other for below-the-belt politics.

Voter registration in the 2nd Congressional District is 55 percent black, whose turnout was a major factor in Johnston's defeat of Duke.

Johnston won re-election with 54 percent of the vote compared to 44 percent for Duke, who captured 60 percent of the white voters statewide. In New Orleans, however, Johnston whipped Duke by a ratio of nearly 4- to-1.

While New Orleans blacks were united in their support of Johnston and favored black candidates in the congressional race - white School Board member Woody Koppel ran fourth - they remain sharply divided between Jefferson and Morial.

Black voters are split almost evenly between the Jefferson camp, backed by Mayor Sidney Barthelemy, and the Morial camp. Morial is the son of the late Mayor Dutch Morial, the first black mayor of New Orleans, whose rivalry with Barthelemy extended back to their high school days.

The result is neither side can win without substantial support from the white minority community.

Morial, 32, claims Jefferson epitomizes the politics of the past. His latest campaign ads zero in on Jefferson's indebtedness and defaults of bank loans. Morial claims much of the income for Jefferson's law practice comes from conflict-of-interest contracts with public agencies, such as the state's Southern University, that are under legislative control.

Several weeks ago, Morial called a news conference to publicly reveal he is the father of an 8-year-old girl born out of wedlock and living with her mother in Africa. He said he did so because of a campaign by unidentified opponents who circulated court documents concerning the paternity before the

primary election.

Jefferson, 43, denied any involvement but has emphasized his own status as a family man, married 20 years and having five children.

Jefferson has portrayed Morial as a political neophyte raised in privilege and trading on the name of his father.

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#90304u0905 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

-30- 410
#90304u0963 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - The Federal Reserve, in its latest ''beige book'' analysis of the economy, said Wednesday that economic growth is deteriorating across the United States, along with business and consumer confidence.

''Economic activity appears to have grown slowly in most Federal Reserve districts since early August but seems to have declined somewhat in others,'' the report said.

The analysis, by the Fed's 12 district banks, said there were widespread indications of a ''weakening in business and consumer confidence'' and found retail sales ''were sluggish or down in most of the country.''

Manufacturing activity was ''mixed to weaker,'' and commercial and residential construction declined although home sales increased in some regions of the nation, the report said.

Loan activity at banks was ''lackluster'' nationwide, but agricultural prices were strong and higher energy prices, a result of the Persian Gulf crisis, ''appeared to be stimulating oil drilling, although some shortages of skilled workers were reported,'' the Fed said.

Here is a summary of conditions in the 12 Federal Reserve regions:

-BOSTON - Growing uncertainty about economic conditions. Retailers,

wholesalers report weak sales. Intense price competition, tightening cost-control measures. Manufacturers ''battening down the hatches.''

-NEW YORK - Continued weakness. Retail sales down. Residential construction weak. Market for office space, while soft, appears to have improved. Unemployment up but below national averages.

-PHILADELPHIA - Further weakening in manufacturing, retail trade. Mixed reports from banks. Consumer lending up but commercial and industrial loans continued to fall. Manufacturers expect business to drop.

-CLEVELAND - Outlook has deteriorated because of higher oil prices. But region not believed to be in recession. Inflation prospects have worsened. Growth supported by manufacturing. Housing weaker than usual.

-RICHMOND - Economy weakened further. Business attitudes more pessimistic. Retail, manufacturing activity slowed. Commercial construction at a standstill. Loan demand weak. But port traffic up, and farms healthy.

-ATLANTA - Slower growth. Slower retail sales. Defense and oil- related businesses report increased orders. Realtors report weakening residential and commercial sales.

-CHICAGO - Economy expanding slowly. Consumer spending stronger than in rest of nation. Financing for ''speculative'' construction projects has virtually ceased. Buyers taking longer to pay bills.

-ST. LOUIS - Economy showed little or no expansion. Growth in consumer spending offset by declining activity in construction and manufacturing of durable goods. Farm conditions mixed.

-MINNEAPOLIS - Economy showing signs of weakness. Automobile sales down sharply. Construction and manufacturing mixed. Wage and price increases generally moderate.

-KANSAS CITY - Economy continues to grow slowly. Farm sector remains strong, supported by good fall crops and high cattle prices. Oil and natural gas drilling increasing at moderate pace.

-DALLAS - Economic output flat to slightly down. Manufacturing activity has slipped, particularly in the construction-related and electronics industries. Service sector growing. High oil prices have yet to motivate drilling.

-SAN FRANCISCO - Growth continues, but at slower pace. Lenders pessimistic about prospects for national growth in 1991. Manufacturing, banking mixed. Agricultural conditions remain solid.

#90304u0968 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 31) UPI - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak rebuffed Wednesday Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's call for an Arab solution to the Persian Gulf crisis, and President Bush warned that he has ''had it'' with Iraq's treatment of American hostages in the Middle East.

Also Wednesday, Iraq's ambassador to the United States accused the CIA of conspiring with Kuwait to destroy Iraq long before Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, a charge the CIA denied.

Gorbachev told reporters this week a military option to drive Iraq out of Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2, is unacceptable and Arabs should devise their own solution to the problem.

His position contrasted sharply with U.S. and British policy, which follows the military option as laid out in the U.N. charter as a last resort if Iraqi President Saddam Hussein refuses to pull his troops from Kuwait.

Mubarak said previous Arab summits called to deal with the crisis achieved nothing and another one without a specific agenda would become an exercise in invective.

''The Arab countries have tried a lot and we're still trying. If these (Soviet) proposals call for a peaceful solution then it should be borne in mind that there isn't a big or small country, Arab or Western, which doesn't want a peaceful solution,'' he told reporters in Cairo.

''If we call for an Arab summit and there is no clear vision for that summit, then it will be a summit of insults and we cannot accept that.''

Mubarak challenged Gorbachev to make specific proposals for an Arab solution and pointed out Gorbachev's own envoy, Yevgeny Primakov, met with Saddam last week and came away empty-handed.

''If there is a (Soviet) call for an Arab summit, then we want to ask if the Soviet mediator has achieved any specific result, so the summit can be held to discuss this,'' Mubarak said.

Mubarak's Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid flew to Saudi Arabia to discuss Gorbachev's vague proposal with his Syrian and Saudi counterparts. Syria, like Egypt, has sent troops to the gulf to deter further Iraqi aggression.

Iraq's ambassador to the United States, Mohamed Al-Mashat, told a news conference in Washington that the United States and Kuwait conspired against Iraq before the invasion. He cited what he said was a memo recovered from Kuwaiti security forces written by Brigadier Al- Fahd, director of Kuwaiti security, and detailing a conversation with CIA Director William Webster in

Washington in November 1989. Also at the meeting was a Colonel Shadad, a key aide to Al-Fahd.

Al-Mashat said that in the memo, the Kuwaitis ''agreed with the American side that it was important to take advantage of the deteriorating economic situation in Iraq in order to put pressure on that country's government to delineate our common border. The CIA gave us its view of appropriate pressure, saying that broad cooperation should be initiated between us ... on condition that such activities are coordinated at the high level.''

He said U.S. troops are in Saudi Arabia to destroy Iraq and to ''serve the interest of Israeli expansionism and to establish control over oil in order to influence the economies of Western Europe and Japan.''

CIA spokesman Mark Mansfield said Webster did not meet with Al-Fahd or Shadad, but that Sheik al-Sabah, deputy director general of Kuwaiti state security, paid a courtesy call on the director in November 1989.

''There was nothing discussed at that meeting concerning Kuwait's relations with Iraq or any other country. Those statements in the documents, purported to be from the U.S. side or Kuwaiti state secuity, are total fabrications and without foundation,'' he said.

Bush, in a campaign appearance for a Virginia congressman, vented his anger Wednesday at Hussein's treatment of American hostages and for the diplomats who have been holed up in the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait City since the Aug. 2 invasion, cut off from food, water and power.

''The American flag is flying over the Kuwaiti Embassy and our people inside are being starved by a brutal dictator,'' Bush said. ''And do you think I'm concerned about it? You're darned right I am.

''And what am I going to do about it? Let's just wait and see, because I have had it with that kind of treatment of Americans and I know others feel that way.''

Bush insisted he does not feel pressure to launch a military response and maintained he will not allow the fate of the hostages to drive U.S. policy.

''I'm prepared at this juncture to wait to see if economic sanctions will work - at this juncture,'' he said.

''We have a significant coalition of armed forces on the ground and we'll just have to wait and see. In the meantime, we will send a steady, strong message to Saddam Hussein that we are not going to tolerate this aggression,'' Bush said.

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ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (OCT. 31) UPI - The head of the army-backed alliance that won last week's parliamentary elections Wednesday received his party's nomination as prime minister, making it virtually certain he will assume the post.

The Pakistan Moslem League, the main component of the Islamic Democratic Alliance, a loose coalition of parties opposed to ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto, nominated Nawaz Sharif at a meeting.

Sharif, 42, is a wealthy industrialist and, as chief minister of Punjab, Pakistan's most populous province, was Bhutto's main adversary during her term of office.

He would become Pakistan's first Punjabi prime minister. The position has traditionally been filled by natives of Sind because of the southern province's ethnic sensitivities.

IDA leaders are expected to endorse Sharif's nomination Thursday. The National Assembly, where the IDA is the largest grouping, is then almost certain to confirm him as prime minister at its first session, expected to be held within the next week.

Observers say Sharif drew support from his party for the nomination over caretaker prime minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi through his prominent role in the IDA's convincing Oct. 24 election victory over Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party.

Bhutto has charged the IDA had indulged in ''gross rigging.'' Most international observer teams said they had found no evidence to support her allegations. But a team from the Paris-based International League of Human Rights said ''a highly sophisticated fraud mechanism'' was partly responsible for the IDA win.

The head of the government's Election Commission, Justice Naeemuddin, Wednesday rejected the charges, saying the members of the French team ''based their observations on information fed to them.''

''These allegations have been leveled with the purpose of maligning the good name of the election commission and casting doubts about its impartiality,'' the official charged.

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan sacked Bhutto's 20-month-old government on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to control law and order and dissolved the National Assembly. He appointed opposition leader Jatoi to head an interim government until the elections.

The president also set up Special Disqualification Courts to try Bhutto and members of her administration on corruption charges. If found guilty they could be barred from politics for seven years.

The PPP also suffered crushing defeats to the IDA and its allies in elections last Saturday for provincial governments in Punjab and Northwest Frontier.

In its stronghold of Sind, PPP emerged as the largest single party from Saturday's vote. But it failed to get an overall majority and it appeared likely the IDA would be able to cobble together a coalition government in the province.

In Baluchistan Province, the IDA and its allies had more seats than the PPP, but it was still not clear who would form the next government.

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#90304u0989 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT. 31) UPI - During a campaign stop in Virginia this morning, President Bush brought up the question of American diplomats surrounded by Iraqi troops in Kuwait City. Bush talked about the U-S flag flying over the U-S Embassy in Kuwait and about his anger with Saddam Hussein for leaving the Americans inside cut off from food, water and power.

Government statistics show Americans had a little more money to spend in September... and they spent it and more. The Commerce Department reports that personal income was up one-half of one percent in September. But personal spending jumped one-point-one percent, reflecting higher prices for oil.

The September savings rate dipped to three-and-a-half percent, the lowest savings rate in three years. Income after taxes was up four- tenths of one percent. In other economic news, factory orders posted their weakest showing since June, up just one-tenth of one percent last month.

Security sources in Egypt report that a Moslem fundamentalist sought by police escaped after a bomb exploded in his home, wounding his sister. The suspect is a member of the Holy War Islamic extremist group linked to the assassination three weeks ago of the Speaker of the Egyptian Parliament.

A small army of volunteers patrolled streets in Detroit last night but still could NOT stop dozens of so-called ''Devil's Night'' arson fires that lit up the sky in parts of the city. The pre-Halloween arson outburst left several families homeless when flames spread from abandoned buildings to their homes and apartments.

Two warring Lebanese militias are observing ''a complete and comphrensive cease-fire,'' ending three years of fighting that killed more than one-thousand people. Official sources say the pro-Iranian Hezbollah and the

Syrian-backed Amal militia also will exchange all prisoners.

Parts of northern India remain under curfew today as security forces try to prevent more violence between Hindus and Moslems. The Press Trust of India says at least 49 people have died since Hindu radicals stormed a 460-year-old Moslem mosque in an attempt to build a temple. At least 18 people were killed in religous violence in different parts of India today.

Pravda says that self-styled vigilantes in the Soviet republic of Moldavia have been seizing Communist Party buildings in an effort to stir up anti-Communist sentiment in the area. Police had earlier blocked the Moldavians from trying to enter what has become a break-away Turkish-speaking region of the republic.

Most of the nation was dry this Halloween, but costumes that include rubber boots and raincoats are the order of the day in the Pacific Northwest, where record rainfall is reported. Rains is forecast throughout the day in the Washington state and Oregon. Two and three- quarter inches of precipitation fell at Eugene Airport in Oregon yesterday.

A Michigan woman is suing McDonald's for her 10-Million-dollar ''McMillions'' prize. It was withdrawn after it was found that her married daughter worked at the McDonald's where the ticket was given out. The woman's attorney argues that a Utah court found that adult children NOT living at home are NOT considered immediate family members.

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JERUSALEM (OCT. 31) UPI - Israeli soldiers and South Lebanon Army militiamen Wednesday discovered a car packed with 330 pounds of explosives in Israel's self-declared ''security zone'' in southern Lebanon, the army said.

A joint Israeli-SLA forces on a routine patrol seized the car and arrested two suspects inside the vehicle in the eastern sector of the security zone near Tel Hamas, the army spokesman said.

A demolition unit from the Israeli-backed SLA blew up the car.

On Oct. 19, 1988, seven Israeli soldiers were killed and eight wounded when a carbomb went off near the Metulla border crossing. On Aug. 19, 1989, the following year, a carbomb in the security zone wounded five Israeli soldiers and one SLA militiaman.

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LONDON (OCT. 31) UPI - Rumors that a cut in Britain's key base lending rate

was in store sent stock prices broadly higher in moderate trading Wednesday on the London International Stock Exchange.

Stocks also gained in Paris and Frankfurt.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which tumbled 28.2 points, or 1.4 percent, Tuesday, rebounded 16.4 points to 2,050.3. The narrower top 30 industrial average gained 17.6 points to 1,592.9.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 468 million shares, up from the 385 million that changed hands Tuesday.

Analysts said stocks catapulted from the opening bell amid unconfirmed rumors of a cut in Britain's base lending rate to 13 percent from the current 14 percent level.

Speculation that monetary officials would react to recessionary fears by dropping interest rates spurred trading, despite a denial from the Bank of England that any shifts in rates was imminent, analysts said.

Rates were slashed in the United Kingdom from 15 percent to the current 14 percent level Oct. 8.

A Confederation of British Industry report issued Tuesday that said industrialists were in their gloomiest mood about prospects for their businesses since the early 1980s spurred the talk of interest rate cuts, analysts said.

After five days of downward movement, market analysts noted stocks were due for a technical rebound.

Among widely traded stocks, media group Reuters Holdings fell 66 cents to $10.85 after announcing it would postpone the launch of its Dealing 2000 automated trading system by at least six months and plans to cut 300 jobs in the company's corporate finance and administrative ranks.

Marks & Spencer, the clothing and food retailer, gained 12 cents to $4.47 after reporting its latest pretax profits for the six months ended Sept. 29 climbed 10 percent.

The company said increased earnings in the U.K. and Europe offset declines in North America.

Issues of companies that do a considerable amount of overseas business were boosted by the interest rate speculation as well. Imperial Chemical Industries the bellweather chemical stock, gained 29 cents to $15.86 and Guiness climbed 27 cents to $13.44.

In Germany, stocks closed slightly higher in light trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The closely watched German Stock Index of 30 selective issues, which plummented 23.35 points Tuesday, inched back by 2.68 points to 1,433.82.

Market watchers said the Frankfurt market drifted slightly higher despite local investors appearing unwilling to expand positions amid ongoing uncertainty over the military situation in the Persian Gulf.

Elsewhere in Europe, stocks closed sharply higher in active trading on the Paris Bourse following a 0.25 point easing of France's Central Bank's credit rates.

The French CAC-40 Index, which fell 20.61 points Tuesday, climbed 31.98 points to 1,645.57.

Analysts said stocks surged following the Bank of France's unexpected slashing of its benchmark interest rate to 9.25 percent.

Investors in Paris will take a break from the action on Thursday as banks, markets and major businesses close for the All Staints Day holiday. Trading will resume on Friday.

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DALLAS (OCT. 31) UPI - The executor for Jack Ruby's estate, caught in a contentious 23-year battle over rights to the weapon used to kill Lee Harvey Oswald, testified Wednesday Ruby's possessions were worth less than $200 at the time of his 1967 death.

''You might say the world has put a higher value on the memory of Jack Ruby,'' said executor Jules Mayer, 81. ''Nobody thought some old clothing, odds and ends, and a certainly an old and cheap gun, would ever be of any value.''

The gun, a .38-caliber Colt Cobra, was valued at $35 when Mayer first filed probate papers, he testified.

Today the weapon, brought to court in the same manila envelope it was stashed 23 years ago, is worth between $100,000 to $130,000, he said.

Mayer said the Ruby estate consisted of the gun, a diamond ring (valued at $100 in 1967), a wristwatch ($50), and the clothing on his back, considered worthless at the time.

A burlesque club owned by Ruby in a low-rent fringe of downtown was seized by authorities to pay debts shortly after his arrest for killing the suspected

assassin of President John Kennedy.

''Jack always insisted that I pay off his debts first,'' said Mayer. ''And he knew I was primary among those creditors.''

Attorneys representing Ruby's heir, brother Earl Ruby, questioned how Mayer could run up legal expenses exceeding $50,000 and why he placed such a low value on the gun initially.

''All I knew was that it was a cheap-looking pistol,'' said Mayer. ''It was several years later that I realized collectors would pay well for it.''

Mayer wants to sell the gun to pay his expenses, largely incurred by fighting suits brought by Earl Ruby. Ruby wants proceeds from the gun for himself, and to pay Mayer only small fees, estimated at a few hundred dollars, incurred when the will was submitted for probate.

''I'm Jack's closest blood kin,'' said Ruby, ''and the gun should be mine to whatever I want with it.''

Mayer seemed ill at ease during testimony and snapped repeatedly at questions. At one point, Probate Judge Robert Price threatened him with contempt.

''You are here as a witness, not an attorney, and you must comport yourself appropriately,'' said Price. ''If you don't I will be forced to take action.''

The rebuke was prompted by an exchange between Mayer and attorney Doug Larson over the value of Jack Ruby's clothing.

''Do you believe clothing appreciates in value?'' asked Larson.

''Depends on the clothing,'' said Mayer. ''Some does. Some doesn't. Jack Ruby's did.''

''What about something like a jock strap?'' asked Larson.

''Well, Mr Larson, it depends. In your case you probably wouldn't need a very big one.''

On Tuesday Earl Ruby, 75, revealed he cleaned out his brother's club- office desk and kept the papers.

''There were a number of contracts, a number of papers,'' he told the three-man, three-woman jury. ''But I felt they were mine to keep or to sell since I was the one who put him in business.''

''In fact, Jack still owes me.''

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LONDON (OCT. 31) UPI - The Iraqi military has built a 150-mile-long ''obstacle belt'' of mines, wire fences and tank-traps across occupied Kuwait, and its tanks are so well dug into the desert that aircraft will have a difficult task locating Baghdad's armored legions, officials said Wednesday.

British Defense officials, who gave a briefing on condition of anonymity, said by mid-November, American, British and allied Arab forces would have in their theater a formidable array of airpower, but would still be outnumbered by the ground forces of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Within two weeks, they said the U.S.-led multinational force now numbering 256,000 personnel would have about 1,600 tanks, 750 artillery pieces, 310 attack helicopters and some 1,110 combat aircraft.

Iraq, which invaded Iraq on Aug. 2, now has about 390,000 troops in and around Kuwait, along with 3,600 tanks, 2,300 artillery pieces, 125 attack helicopters and about 800 combat aircraft, the officials said.

Elsewhere, the commander of the British forces in the gulf, Air Chief Marshall Sir Patrick Hine, said upon returning to Britain that ''it was looking increasingly unlikely'' that Saddam would withdraw from Kuwait.

He said the British forces ''were devoting more time to the question of how we would fight,'' and that by mid-November, Britain ''would be ready to fully support offensive operations should the political decision be taken.''

In the briefing, the officials gave a sober analysis of the prospective conflict with Iraq, declining to speculate on how many casualties would be sustained among the British forces - which will number 16,000 within two weeks - but offering no illusions that combat would be easy or bloodless.

''If we had to be pushed into war, the allies would try not to make it protracted,'' one of the senior officials said. ''We have to live with the situation afterwards. We would have to do it as clinically and as efficiently as possible.''

They said the Iraqi military had placed itself in three defense echelons.

Just across the border inside Kuwait, the Iraqis have constructed an ''obstacle belt'' of minefields, tank-traps, ditches and barbed wire.

The barrier spans some 150 miles from the gulf waters to the Iraqi- Kuwaiti border in the west. Recently, Iraqi troops extended the defense works into Iraq, apparently fearing the multinational force would try and outflank the obstacles, they said.

''The longer that they are there, the better these defenses will become,'' one official said. ''We have seen evidence that the Western line is going up quite fast.''

They said behind the obstacle belt lay a first echelon of troops in static positions to guard possible entry points through the barrier.

The second echelon, also spanning the width of Kuwait, is of armored and mechanized forces, whose mission would be to move against any penetration of the obstacle belt and first echelon, they said.

Behind them lies the third echelon of troops, guarding the north-south route to Kuwait city and ready to counterattack if there is any breakthrough.

Saddam has placed a reserve force, mostly of crack revolutionary guards, astride the Kuwaiti border. Analysts believe he is aware the loss of his most competant soldiers could cause the military command to collapse, so he has shrewdly kept them away from areas that would presumably bear the brunt of multinational airpower.

But the officials stressed that multinational pilots had a potentially difficult task.

''Ground forces that are dug in don't present a very good target from the air '' one high-ranking official said. ''That would be quite difficult.

''When you have tanks that are dug in and well dispersed, you actually have to hit it right on, and can't drop a bomb 20 yards to one side,'' he explained. ''If they are on the move, it becomes a lot simpler. But so long as they are protected and well-dispersed, it could be a protracted campaign.''

The officer declined to discuss tactics to dislodge Iraqi troops from their fixed positions and start moving, making them vulnerable to airpower in the vast, featureless desert.

Some analysts say the only way of dislodging the armor is to carpet- bomb the area with B-52 aircraft, whose 2,000-pound bombs would shake the ground so much that earthworks would collapse. But other experts say this is impractical given the dispersed formations.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - President Bush says he does NOT feel pressured to launch military action against Iraq, but he is running out of patience. Bush turned up the heat on Saddam Hussein today during a campaign appearance in suburban Virginia, verbally attacking the Iraqi dictator for the treatment of American

diplomats at the U-S Embassy in Kuwait City. An angry Bush says the Americans have been without food, water and other supplies since Iraq's August invasion and that he's ''had it with that kind of treatment of Americans...''

The Iraqi ambassador to the United States told a news conference in Washington D-C, that a document seized after the invasion of Kuwait proves U-S involvement in efforts to de-stabilize Iraq. Ambassador Mohamed Al-Mashat says the document is a report on a meeting between a Kuwaiti security official and C-I-A Director William Webster. He says the report indicates that the plan was to take advantage of Iraq's economic problems following the long war with Iran. The C-I-A says NO such meeting ever took place.

Egypt is expressing caution over Soviet President Gorbachev's call for an all-Arab solution to the Persian Gulf standoff. Egyptian President Mubarak says Arabs have tried summits to deal with the crisis before and NOTHING was achieved. He says another Arab summit without a clear vision and a specific agenda would be an exercise in futility. Gorbachev has called war in the Gulf unacceptable and says Arabs should come up with a solution of their own.

Two men from the French Caribbean island of Martinique are telling a tale of survival at sea after drifting in the Atlantic for at least 25 days aboard their disabled fishing boat. A passing sailboat picked up the pair yesterday about 300 miles northeast of Puerto Rico. Coast Guard medics say the younger man lost more than 50 pounds. He's being treated for severe dehydration and malnutrition. His uncle was in better shape and insisted on staying aboard the 25-foot boat, which was under tow. The boat was reported overdue on October 4th.

A New York collector described only as a Wall Street investment banker who collects Lincoln items has paid 220-thousand dollars for an original copy of the 13th Amendment signed by Abraham Lincoln. It is one of seven known to exist. It will go on a national tour of the United States and Eastern Europe. The document was auctioned yesterday at the Sotheby gallery in New York. The 13th Amendment was a follow-up to the Emancipation Proclamation, but Lincoln NEVER lived to see it ratified.

The National Association of Realtors is out with its latest look at housing affordability and it reports the September figures show that the average family has more than enough income to quality for conventional financing. The index jumped to a two-year high last month, thanks to higher median family income and a lower median price for a home. The price of a home dropped by almost three-thousand dollars, to 94-thousand 300 dollars, while average median income nationally was up by 104 dollars, to 35-thousand 239 dollars a year.

Officials at the New York publishing giant Random House say replacement of Toni Evans as publisher after three years is NOT tied to the two-Million-dollar advance given Donald Trump for a second book that hit the

charts for three weeks and then disappeared. Evans is to become publisher of books under her own label at Random House and she will be president of the division.

New York City detectives are investigating the death of a baby found in a Bronx hospital with its throat tube disconnected and a heart monitor turned off. A nurse found eight-month-old Nigel Bostick Monday afternoon. The child had been admitted to the hospital in September with breathing problems. A police spokesman says the medical examiner was to have a determination on the cause of death some time today.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Banner Aerospace (2nd Q 9-30)	
$61,560,000	a-$49,712,000
$4,606,000 (.26)	$3,582,000 (.20)

a-Reported as if company has been spun-off from Banner Indus in the 1989 period.

Bethlehem Steel (3rd Q)	
$1,208,200,000	$1,269,700,000
$10,100,000 (.05)	$46,900,000 (.54)
Goodyear Canada (3rd Q)	
$203,846,000	$214,521,000
d-$8,150,000	$933,000 (.36)

d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Hampton Indus (3rd Q 9-29)	
$52,893,000	$54,204,000
$1,280,000 (.33)	$2,101,000 (.53)
Horsham Corp (3rd Q)	
$671,602,000	$517,017,000
a-$40,309,000 (.48)	$10,924,000 (.13)

a-Includes a gain of $17,600,000 as a result of American Barrick Resources Corp. issuing shares "at a price in excess of Horsham's carrying value."

Lee Enterprises (4th Q 9-30)	
$76,289,000	$67,356,000
$16,355,000 (.70)	$14,600,000 (.60)

Pacificorp (3rd Q)
$964,900,000 $916,400,000
$109,400,000 (.43) $111,700,000 (.43)

Petroleum Gas Serv (3rd Q)
$131,300,000 $120,700,000
d-$33,900,000 d-$53,200,000
d-Deficit.

Travelers Corp (3rd Q)
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d-$499,300,000 $94,200,000 (.89)
d-Deficit.

U S Home Corp (3rd Q)
$148,041,000 $166,752,000
a-$885,000 (.02) d-$1,966,000
a-Income from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

Wendy's Intl Inc (3rd Q)
$257,455,000 $269,200,000
$12,569,000 (.13) $7,848,000 (.08)

Wrigley Wm Jr (3rd Q)
$277,116,000 $242,289,000
$30,997,000 (.79) a-$30,329,000 (.77)
a-Includes favorable settlement of a tax case which increased net income by $3,200,000 (.08).

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - The disease that recently killed more than 400 dolphins in the Mediterranean Sea closely resembles the disorder that afflicted seals in the North Sea in 1988, researchers said Wednesday.

Reporting in the British journal Nature, Irish and Spanish scientists said they have determined that the disease that is plaguing striped dolphins in the western Mediterranean is caused by a virus similar to the phocine distemper virus that infected common seals in the North Sea.

The phocine distemper virus, which creates respiratory problems and swelling of the brain, are related to the virus that causes distemper in dogs.

The research team, headed by S. Kennedy of the Department of Agriculture's Veterinary Research Laboratories in Belfast, Ireland, is now trying to determine if the current illness outbreak among dolphins directly spread from

the North Sea to the Mediterranean.

Wildlife experts are concerned that the latest outbreak, which appears to be moving from the Spanish coast to France and Northern Africa, may strike endangered populations of the Mediterranean Monk Seal.

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JERUSALEM (OCT. 31) UPI - Four Israeli soldiers convicted of beating a Gaza Strip Palestinian who later died of his injuries were demoted and sentenced Wednesday to prison terms of up to two months.

A military court convicted the three soldiers from the Givati Brigade Oct. 1 of assaulting Ayad Akal, 21, who was beaten and died the same day during the first months of the Palestinian uprising. Their commanding officer was convicted of sanctioning the beatings.

The year-long court martial, known as the ''Givati II'' trial, raised questions about the orders given by senior officers to use force on Arab demonstrators and whom to hold responsible for the excesses that occurred.

The ''Givati II'' defendants claimed they were following orders given by senior officers to beat Palestinians. In the sentence, the three military judges said they wanted to believe that the incident was ''not characteristic but a solitary case.''

On Feb. 7, 1988, soldiers, including three of the accused, were convicted of beating Akal at his home in the Bureij refugee camp. He and his brother were then taken to a secluded olive grove where they were severely beaten. Because Akal's body was taken from the hospital and buried before the cause of death was established, the defendants were not charged with murder.

In the sentences, the judges noted that the defendants showed no remorse.

''They are completely immersed in the distorted conception that they are allowed to do everything for the goal of a military mission,'' the jurists said.

In their verdict, they said it had not been proven at the trial that the senior officers had ordered ''the use of beatings as punishment, but it is clear that this was a result of the general atmosphere that prevailed among the various discussion among high-ranking officers.''

A joint statement by left-wing Parliament members Yossi Sarid and Dedi Zucker said Wednesday's sentences indicated that senior military command and political leaders should come forward and take responsiblity for alleged illegal orders.

Justice Minister Dan Meridor declined to comment on the severity of the sentences. However, former Judge Advocate Gen. Zvi Ledar told Army Radio the sentences were heavy.

''If they demote a major in the professinal army to lieutenant and give him another three months suspended, that seems heavy to me,'' he said.

Maj. Yitzhak Levite, a battalion commander not directly involved in the beating, was demoted to lieutenant and given three months suspended sentence, Army Radio reported. After being convicted he charged the defendants were ''scapegoats'' for policies held throughout the army in the early days of the uprising.

Lt. Ofer Reshef was demoted to sergeant and sentenced to five months with three suspended. Eli Shukrin and Gadi Zinba were demoted to privates and each given five months suspended prison sentences, the radio said.

The defendants plan to appeal the convictions.

Early Wednesday in an unrelated incident, a soldier on patrol was lightly wounded when Palestinian gunmen opened fire and threw two grenades, the army spokesman said. The army closed off the area and searched for the gunmen.

A Gaza Strip resident, Fayik Abu Erjela, 28, was stabbed to death by masked Arabs on his way home Wednesday, Palestinian sources said. Erjela was suspected of collaborating with Israeli authorities, they said.

Later in the day, a Palestinian driver was wounded and his 12-year- old brother slightly injured by soldiers who opened fire at the vehicle during a police chase, the spokesman said.

Palestinian sources said the driver could not obey police orders to stop because his brakes failed.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Hundreds of striking reporters rallied outside the Daily News building Wednesday, calling for advertisers to boycott the paper as the violence-ridden strike moved into its sixth day with no end in sight.

Daily News Columnist Jack Newfield met with other media reporters and announced that he had resigned. "...My conscience and self-respect just can't allow me to ratify the breaking of unions with my labor and my name," he said in his resignation.

The News claimed that 250 members of the 750-member Newspaper Guild had

crossed the picket lines and gone back to work. Barry Lipton, president of the Guild, disputed the figure, saying no more than 70 had crossed the lines.

As Newfield spoke in front of the News, several hundred health care workers from District 1199 joined the picketing and carried signs urging businesses not to advertise in the News. "Boycott Scab News," they chanted.

In a another development, Mayor David Dinkins said he met with News Publisher James Hoge Wednesday morning at Gracie Mansion. Also at the meeting were Police Commissioner Lee Brown, City Labor Relations Commissioner Eric Schmertz and City Corporation Counsel Victor Kovner, he said.

Dinkins, who described the meeting as "fruitful," quoted Hoge as saying he was "very satisfied" with police performance, but was concerned about threats against vendors. "I deplore all violence," he said. "We will not tolerate it under any circumstance."

In the meantime, the News was almost nonexistent in midtown Manhattan. Some news stands said they were not getting or had refused deliveries, others said they had chosen not to or had been asked not to sell the paper.

In an editorial Wednesday, the News described New York as "Dodge City," and quoted news dealers as saying they had been threatened if they sold the paper. "I can't take the paper or they will kill me," the paper quoted a Brooklyn stationer as saying.

On Staten Island early Wednesday, about 30 striking workers ambushed seven men driving three Daily News trucks, beating them with baseball bats in the parking lot.

Police charged 11 pickets with riot, criminal mischief and illegal possession of a deadly weapon after they found some powerful firecrackers taped to the cars of non-striking workers.

Police said more than two dozen striking News workers have been arrested since the walkout was first declared Thursday. The bitter confrontation has seen delivery trucks firebombed and scores of replacement workers pelted with bottles, stones, and eggs.

The bitter walkout brought to a boil a simmering dispute that began ten months ago when the Tribune Co., the Chicago-based communications concern which owns the News, opened contract talks vowing to seek millions of dollars in cost reductions and impose sweeping control of hours and working conditions.

Nine of the newspaper's ten unions, which had been working without contracts since March 31, last week joined the strike that was declared following a dispute over a worker's claim he had medical justification for sitting down at his job.

Less than an hour after the walkout began, the News bused in replacement workers and have been steadily hiring substitute workers to fill the 2,200 jobs left open by the striking employees.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - A senior citizen lobby said Wednesday bold action must be taken to reign in the nation's health costs projected to soar to $1.4 trillion by the year 2000, but Health Secretary Louis Sullivan says he won't be rushed into a decision.

A report by Families USA Foundation, a non-profit group representing senior citizens, found that 1990 health costs are 2 1/2 times what they were in 1980 and projected a $1.47 trillion tab for health costs by the year 2000. That translates into an average payout of $5,515 per person by 2000 - a 542 percent increase during the 20-year period.

''Unless the United States takes bold action now, the explosion in health care costs will mean a declining standard of health care and a declining standard of living for all of us,'' said Families USA Executive Director Ron Pollack. ''If we want a healthy America for your family and mine, we've got to get these health costs under control.''

Sullivan is talking to groups around the country and waiting for several studies to be completed about the high cost of health care and possible solutions. He says he will not issue any recommendations until he feels there is a national consensus on a particular option. But one thing is certain - he has ruled out national health insurance.

''All of us want to move as expeditiously as possible, but we don't want to be slaves to a clock ... otherwise, we run the risk of taking action that will not be sustainable,'' Sullivan told a small group of reporters recently. ''We don't want to take action for action-sake.''

The secretary conceded he is searching for both a national and political consensus.

Families USA said the five states with the highest per capita spending on health in 1990 were:

-Massachusetts, with $3,031. In 1980, it also ranked No. 1, with $1, 284. The study projected the state will spend $6,890 per person in the year 2000.

-California, with $2,894. In 1980, it ranked No. 4, with $1,186. The study projected the state will spend $6,584 in the year 2000.

-New York, with $2,818. In 1980, it ranked No. 2, with $1,257. The study projected the state will spend $6,408 in the year 2000.

-Nevada, with $2,757. In 1980, it ranked No. 8, with $1,109. The study projected the state will spend $6,272 in the year 2000.

-Rhode Island, with $2,707. In 1980, it also ranked No. 5, with $1, 184. The study projected the state will spend $6,153 in the year 2000.

''The escalating cost of health care in America is an outrage of tragic proportions. The current system not only fails to provide citizens with basic, affordable care, but it is bankrupting our country, our families and our businesses,'' Robert Brandon, vice president of Citizen Action said. Brandon said that he fears quality health care will be beyond the reach of many Americans and businesses.

The study also said the number of uninsured Americans is swelling, with an estimated 32 million in 1988, up from 24.5 million in 1980, a nearly 30 percent increase.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - Americans celebrated Halloween Wednesday with revels in Washington's historic Georgetown under the watchful eyes of beefed-up police patrols, a parade in New York's bohemian Greenwich Village and a party for homeless children in Detroit.

Tons of candy delighted trick-or-treating children. Some dentists counter attacked, promising to to pay for candy not consumed by kids.

Two days after a fully mobilized police force struggled to keep order at a Ku Klux Klan rally and counter demonstration, Washington police geared up to handle an anticipated invasion of the city's fashionable Georgetown district.

Police and business associations urged revelers to stay away from narrow sidewalks and crowded streets. Shopkeepers were asked to close early.

''We're trying to tone down Halloween festivities here in Georgetown, '' businessman Peter Armato said.

''Everyone's welcome in Georgetown but it's gotten so crowded on Halloween that customers can't even get into bars and restaurants,'' he said. ''A lot of (proprietors) have said because of congestion in the past, Halloween has not been a very profitable day for sales.''

Thousands were expected to jam New York's annual Greenwich Village Halloween Parade spectacle Wednesday night. The tradition is to wear outrageous costumes.

In Huntington, on New York's Long Island, the pre-school kids stole a march on other trick or treaters, hitting houses on their block as early as noon.

Four-year-old Mark Schneider, dressed in brown and green as one of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, was raring to go.

''I like chocolate,'' he said. ''I know what to say - trick or treat, smell my feet and give me something good to eat.''

In Los Angeles, supposedly safer alternatives to traditional Halloween trick-or-treating abounded, with shopping malls, city officials and politicians handing out goodies to keep kids off the streets at night.

Safety also was on the minds of police who for the second year warned would-be revelers to stay away from the traditional Halloween street party in Hollywood where vandals, looters and other rowdies rampaged in 1987, prompting a massive police response ever since.

In Detroit, a special Halloween party was arranged for homeless children ages 2 through 14 with transportation provided by businesses and private citizens.

There was an unwanted tradition in Detroit as well - the torching of buildings.

Despite an army of volunteers patrolling streets, dozens of Devil's Night arson fires lighted the sky in scattered sections of the city Tuesday night, destroying some houses.

The city mustered its volunteers again Wednesday for a final Halloween stand against the arsonists.

Mischief night also took its toll in New Jersey, where Camden police made 80 arrests, including 50 youths, for setting about 25 fires in vacant lots and breaking windows.

In Trenton, N.J., some 300 revelers pelted police with bricks and eggs when they tried to break up a street fight.

In Florida, an outbreak of St. Louis encephalitis has put a crimp on Halloween festivities. The state's chief health officer asked communities to ban trick-or-treating after 6:30 p.m. and move community parties indoors to reduce exposure to the night-feeding mosquitos that carry the virus.

Florida has recorded 65 confirmed cases and three deaths since the outbreak began last summer.

In Santa Rosa, Calif., pediatric dentist Stephen Berger bought Halloween candy from kids for $1 a pound. Last year, he purchased 967 pounds.

''We're doing it to help parents with all the candy and to bring attention to some of the health problems associated with too much sugar in the diet,'' Berger said.

A Philadelphia dentist also offered to pay children who dump their Halloween treats into his ''Cavity Can.''

Dr. Raymond Solomon said he would give 50 cents a pound for candy and offered sugarless treats to trick-or-treaters to keep them away from sweets. He promised to make donations to Childrens' Hospital of Philadelphia as part of the effort.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - The Resolution Trust Corp. Wednesday assured potential purchasers of its guaranteed student loan portfolios that the loans will be backed by the Education Department.

The RTC currently holds about $500 million worth of student loans obtained from failed thrifts. The Department of Education has agreed to provide buyers of these loans with reinsurance guarantees for the loans.

The agency said the agreement was intended to assure potential purchases that the loans will be reinsurable. "The reinsurance will be provided despite any due diligence violations that may have occurred before the portfolios became part of the RTC's asset inventory," the RTC said.

The Education Department has determined that the cost of providing reinsurance for the loans would be less than the loss the RTC would suffer if it could not sell the portfolios.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 31) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	77.32	77.55	77.12	77.45	77.05
Feb	74.57	75.00	74.55	74.90	74.45
Apr	75.20	75.45	75.15	75.22	75.02
Jun	72.95	73.27	72.95	73.10	72.85
Aug	71.70	71.87	71.52	71.52	71.35
Oct	71.90	71.97	71.65	71.65	71.65
Dec	72.17	72.35	72.17	72.27	72.17

Est. sales 10,757 contracts; Tuesday

11,118; open interest 67,140 off 274.
 Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb
Nov 87.45 87.80 87.62 87.72 87.27
Jan 85.50 85.97 85.40 85.95 85.27
Mar 83.90 84.25 83.80 84.07 83.77
Apr 82.70 83.22 82.67 82.97 82.52
May 82.05 82.40 82.05 82.25 81.85
Aug 81.20 81.32 81.00 81.32 80.90
Sep 80.80 80.80 80.70 80.70 80.00 Est. sales 1,988 contracts; Tuesday 1,783; open interest 9,315 unchanged.
 Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
Dec 51.95 52.07 51.60 51.77 51.42
Feb 49.85 50.15 49.70 49.95 49.55
Apr 47.05 47.27 46.90 47.07 46.75
Jun 50.90 51.30 50.65 50.77 50.50
Jly 50.80 51.35 50.80 51.30 50.95
Aug 49.35 49.50 49.35 49.50 49.25
Oct 44.80 44.80 44.70 44.70 44.77
Dec .... 44.80 44.70 44.72 44.75 Est. sales 5,778 contracts; Tuesday 9,084; open interest 24,702 off 117.
 Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 60.60 61.45 60.60 61.25 60.30
Mar 60.30 61.00 60.30 60.65 59.95
May 60.25 61.00 60.20 60.67 59.90
Jly 60.00 60.05 59.75 59.80 59.05
Aug 58.00 58.00 57.70 57.70 56.90 Est. sales 3,616 contracts; Tuesday 5,370; open interest 8,141 off 353.
 CARLOTS
 DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 128.29 down 3 cents, 700-850 lbs. 127.81 up 5 cents; select 1-3 550- 700 lbs. 119.01 up 12 cents, 700-850 lbs. 118.53 up 28 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins were not fully established; Boston butts were not tested; skinned hams mostly 2.50 lower; seedless bellies steady; hams 17-20 lbs. 105.50, 20-26 lbs. 95.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 46.00, 12-14 lbs. 48.00, 16-18 lbs. 47.50-48.50, 18-20 lbs.45.00.

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     #90304u1231 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (OCT. 31) UPI - McDonald's golden arches will soon stretch nearly to Wenceslaus Square, where a mass demonstration led to the overthrow of communist rule last year, a Czech tourism official said Wednesday.

Two of the fast food factories will be located on side streets off the square, while a third will probably be situated on the former Red Army Square, now the Square of Victory, he said.

''The people of McDonald's would like to have a restaurant on Wenceslaus Square, but we want Wenceslaus Square to stay as it is, without their signs, and up to our architectural standards,'' said Pavel Franek, of the tourism ministry.

The restaurants are expected to open next spring, he said.

Wenceslaus Square is the historic center of Prague, and last November it was the site of the huge but peaceful protests that forced the communist government to relinquish power.

It is also the commerical heart of Prague, and many of its 18th- and 19th-century buildings were replaced after World War II by faceless office blocks.

At night, it resembles New York City's Times Square, as prostitutes, pickpockets and money changers mingle with tourists under the glow of neon signs.

Franek said negotiations on the deal were temporarily stalled by a Czech request that McDonald's serve beer after 8 p.m. McDonald's officials were unavailable for comment.

''The first McDonald's would be for tourists, mainly,'' said Franek, ''but in the second stage, we expect restaurants in Brno and other provincial towns.''

Franek said that initially McDonald's would not repatriate its profits, but would invest them in more restaurants across the country.

Franek said he did not fear country would fall victim to a ''Big Mac attack.''

''The people who eat our food will still go their typical Czech pubs. Only young people and tourists will go to McDonald's,'' he said.

''I am 45 years old, of course I will not be going to McDonald's. I prefer my local pub where I can sit and have my beer in peace. My 15- year-old daughter, she would go to McDonald's.''

The speedy service and spic-and-span atmosphere of McDonald's are certain to come as a novelty to Czechs who are used to queuing for hours for a beer or in the self-service cafeterias that offer their version of fast food.

Franek said the locations of the restaurants would be decided in the second

half of November.

He was unable to give a dollar figure for the size of the deal, and said many details, including the ownership of the restaurants, has yet to be decided.

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TORONTO (OCT. 31) UPI - The Canadian government is being sued for breach of trust over the prospective sale of Boeing Co.'s de Havilland division to a European consortium, union officials said Wednesday.

Jerry Dias, president of Local 112 of the Canadian Auto Workers, said the lawsuit is intended to protect workers' jobs rather than to stop de Havilland from being sold.

Dias said the union wants job security provisions to be a part of any deal reached between the Seattle-based Boeing and any party interested in buying de Havilland.

There are some 5,300 employees at de Havilland, with two CAW locals representing about 4,300 of the workers. Local 112 represents 3,600 aircraft production workers.

Boeing announced in July that it was holding discussions with France's Aerospatiale and Italy's Aeritalia, which jointly run ATR, a manufacturer of commuter aircraft, concerning the future of de Havilland.

Dias said the union expected Boeing to make an announcement on de Havilland's future in a couple of weeks. Employees were told in a company leaflet distributed Friday that a deal to sell the division was nearing completion.

The union's statement of claim - filed in the Federal Court of Canada in Ottawa on Monday - focused on de Havilland being operated with "the stated goal of establishing and maintaining a strong, self-reliant, long-term Canadian aerospace industry."

Lawrence Mandel, a lawyer representing the union, said the suit will attempt to prove that the Canadian government and Boeing may have already or might, as a result of a sale, breach this goal.

Mandel said the union initiated the proceedings to ensure that the government and Boeing keep their obligations to assist Canada's aerospace industry, build aircraft in Canada and maintain jobs for Canadians.

The Canadian government bought de Havilland from Britain's Hawker Siddeley Aviation in 1974 and kept the division's manufacturing facility under its control until January 1986, when Boeing bought de Havilland.

Since 1974, the statement of claim said, the Canadian government has provided more than $700 million in equity financing and defense program funds to de Havilland, which builds the Dash 8 36-seat Series 100 and 50-seat Series 300 regional airliners, to develop its short takeoff and landing aircraft technology.

Union officials and analysts have raised the possibility that ATR might close de Havilland in order to eliminate a competitor in the commuter airliner market.

According to Dias, 14 Dash 8 orders have been cancelled since July and no new orders announced. He also said plans to develop a Dash 8 70-seat Series 400 aircraft have been put on hold after Boeing made it known talks about de Havilland were taking place with ATR.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 5 to 11 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.56	9.60	9.41	9.42	9.47
May	9.60	9.63	9.46	9.47	9.52
Jly	9.63	9.65	9.52	9.52	9.57
Oct	9.63	9.67	9.49	9.50	9.61
Mar	9.72	....	....	9.61	9.71

Estimated sales: 8,503 contracts

Open interest: 109,619 up 190

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.55

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 1 to 32 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.15	23.21	23.15	23.21	23.14
Mar	23.19	23.21	23.18	23.21	23.20
May	23.34	23.34	23.30	23.34	23.32
Jly	23.35	23.35	23.34	23.34	230330
Sep	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.25
Nov	23.09	23.12	23.09	23.11	23.09
Jan	23.00	....	....	23.69	23.37

Estimated sales: 392 contracts

Open interest: 10,775 off 96

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CHICAGO (OCT. 31) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.64	2.65	2.61 1/2	2.62	2.64 1/4
Mar	2.78 1/2	2.79	2.76	2.76 1/2	2.78 1/2
May	2.86	2.86	2.83	2.85 1/4	2.86
Jly	2.89 3/4	2.90	2.87 3/4	2.88 1/2	2.95 1/4
Sep	2.94	2.94	2.94	2.94	2.95 1/4
Dec	3.06	3.06	3.05	3.05	3.05
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.31 1/4	2.32	2.29	2.29 1/4	2.31
Mar	2.40 3/4	2.41 1/2	2.38 3/4	2.39 1/4	2.40 1/4
May	2.47	2.48	2.45 1/4	2.45 1/2	2.47
Jly	2.52 1/4	2.52 1/2	2.49 3/4	2.49 3/4	2.51 1/2
Sep	2.50	2.50 1/2	2.48	2.48 3/4	2.48 1/2
Dec	2.49	2.50	2.48 1/4	2.48 3/4	2.48 1/2
Mar	2.54 1/2	....	....	2.54 1/2	2.55
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.21 1/2	1.22 1/4	1.20 1/2	1.21 1/4	1.21
Mar	1.31 1/2	1.32	1.30 3/4	1.31 1/2	1.31
May	1.37 3/4	1.38 1/2	1.37 3/4	1.38 1/2	1.37 1/2
Jly	1.44 1/4	1.44 1/4	1.43 1/2	1.44	1.43 1/4
Sep	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.49 1/4
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	5.91 1/2	5.94 1/2	5.89	5.92	5.90 1/2
Jan	6.10 1/2	6.12	6.06 1/4	6.09 1/4	6.07 3/4
Mar	6.27	6.27	6.21	6.24 1/2	6.22 1/4
May	6.38	6.39	6.34	6.36 1/4	6.35
Jly	6.48	6.48 1/2	6.44	6.46 1/4	6.44 1/4
Aug	6.45	6.47 1/2	6.43 1/2	6.45 1/2	6.43 3/4
Sep	6.23 1/2	6.25 1/2	6.22	6.22	6.22
Nov	6.17	6.18	6.12 1/2	6.15 1/4	6.15 1/4
Jan	6.27	6.27	6.27	6.27	6.27 1/2
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Dec	21.88	22.02	21.73	21.78	21.83
Jan	22.22	22.29	22.02	22.08	22.12
Mar	22.63	22.75	22.48	22.53	22.56
May	23.02	23.15	22.88	22.93	22.91
Jly	23.27	23.40	23.10	23.17	23.15
Aug	23.35	23.35	23.10	23.14	23.11

Sep	23.20	23.20	22.98	23.05	23.05
Oct	22.85	22.95	22.70	22.70	22.77
Dec	22.70	22.70	22.55	22.55	22.65
Jan	22.50	22.60	....	22.55	22.65

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	178.30	178.80	177.10	178.20	177.70
Jan	180.50	185.10	179.50	180.60	180.00
Mar	184.50	185.50	183.70	185.10	184.10
May	187.00	187.50	186.40	187.40	186.40
Jly	189.50	190.00	188.80	189.70	189.00
Aug	190.20	190.20	189.00	189.50	188.60
Sep	189.00	189.00	186.50	187.00	186.80
Oct	184.40	185.00	183.70	184.00	184.00
Dec	184.50	185.00	183.20	184.70	184.50

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - Researchers reported Wednesday they have used gene therapy to lower cholesterol in animals for the first time, possibly opening a new era in treating hardening of the arteries and liver disease.

Scientists accomplished the feat using rabbits that suffer from an inherited genetic flaw that prevents the liver from clearing a form of artery-clogging cholesterol called low-density lipoprotein or so-called ''bad cholesterol.''

One of every 1 million Americans is afflicted by the same genetic defect as the rabbits - called familial hypercholesterolemia. If untreated, the condition's very high cholesterol levels lead to hardening of the arteries and an extremely high risk of heart attack and stroke.

Such patients may have blood cholesterol counts as high as 650 milligrams per deciliter, compared with the recommended level of under 200 milligrams per deciliter. The only treatments for such patients now are risky liver transplants or plasmapheresis, in which a patient's blood is circulated through a machine to remove cholesterol.

''This is an attempt to provide an alternative to a liver transplant for that population of patients. If it works, it should make a big difference,'' said Dr. James Wilson of the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, who led the study. Liver donors often are in short supply, and transplants pose problems of organ rejection and require patients take immune-suppressing drugs, he noted.

Dr. John Kane, an expert on familial hypercholesterolemia at the University of California-San Francisco medical school, said people with the disease usually die before the age of 20 if they are not treated.

Although gene therapy is not yet practical for helping such patients, Kane said he considers it ''a worthwhile venue'' to explore. If the approach holds up under further research, ''it could change the outlook for these patients,'' he added.

About one in 500 Americans suffer from a milder form of the inherited defect. They are treated with strict diets and combinations of cholesterol lowering drugs, but that regimen also is far from perfect and they often suffer early heart attacks.

In their study, Wilson and colleagues from Albert Einstein and Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research in Cambridge, Mass., used a crippled virus to insert a normal gene that codes for naturally occurring cholesterol-clearing molecules into rabbit liver cells in the test tube. The genetically altered liver cells then were infused into the rabbits through a vein that feeds into the liver.

The blood cholesterol levels of the seven rabbits that received the genetically altered cells fell 30 percent from their pre-treatment level, compared with virtually no change for the six rabbits that received infusions of liver cells that did not contain the cholesterol- clearing gene.

There was a major drawback: The cholesterol-lowering effect was only temporary and the rabbits' cholesterol returned to pre-treatment levels after two weeks.

In the study published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, researchers said they suspect cholesterol levels shot back up because the rabbits' livers rejected the infused liver cells, which came from other rabbit donors. The scientists are now trying to avoid such rejection by using liver cells surgically removed from a rabbit, genetically altered in the laboratory, then returned to the same rabbit.

Dr. Jacques Rossouw, a cholesterol expert at the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute in Bethesda, Md., said a 30 percent drop in cholesterol levels probably would have a ''significant effect'' on the condition of a person afflicted by with severe familial hypercholesterolemia. But patients likely would still be at greater- than-normal risk for heart attack and stroke unless blood cholesterol was cut about 50 percent.

''In cases like this where a single gene is at fault, this probably is the direction of the future,'' Rossouw said. ''But in most cases of elevated cholesterol, the problem probably stems from multiple genetic factors,'' which would be harder to fix by gene therapy.

Under the methods used in the latest study, Wilson said it would be difficult to justify performing gene therapy in people with milder forms of hypercholesterolemia.

But his team is developing ways of delivering genes directly to the liver that may be less complicated. If that works, it may be possible to insert genes to correct not only for high cholesterol but other liver- based disorders.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Gold futures closed Wednesday unchanged to 40 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	381.00	....	....	379.40	379.70
Dec	383.00	384.30	378.30	381.30	381.70
Feb	387.00	388.00	382.60	385.20	385.60
Apr	391.00	391.00	387.60	388.70	389.10
Jun	394.50	394.50	392.80	393.00	393.00
Aug	398.50	399.00	396.80	396.80	396.80
Oct	396.50	400.80	396.50	400.80	400.80
Dec	405.50	405.50	405.50	404.80	404.80
Feb	410.50	410.50	409.20	409.20	409.20
Apr	414.60	414.60	413.60	413.60	413.60
Jun	416.20	417.80	416.20	417.80	417.80
Aug	423.90	423.90	422.60	422.60	422.60

Open interest: 115,644 up 1,521.

Estimated sales: 36,000 contracts.

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#90304u1266 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - Federal prosecutors Wednesday welcomed provisions in the new anti-crime bill giving them greater power over savings and loan offenders. "These specific statutes dealing with specific problems will be very helpful," said Larry Urgenson, head of the Justice Department's fraud section.

President Bush is expected to sign the bill into law, although White House officials said the president has not yet received the measure. Since Bush is busy stumping for GOP candidates, the bill is unlikely to get his signature until after next week's elections.

Urgenson's boss, Attorney General Dick Thornburgh, criticized the crime bill passed by Congress Saturday as "a considerable disappointment," but said he was pleased with its white collar crime provisions. "Dishonest savings and loan executives will feel the pain of these new arrows in our law enforcement quiver," said Thornburgh.

Sen. Tim Wirth, D-Colo., a key backer of institutional fraud legislation, described the crime bill as "one of the toughest white collar crime measures ever passed by Congress."

"Fraud and insider abuse were an important part of many thrift failures," Wirth said, "and the crime bill takes significant steps to pursue and punish those who looted our S&Ls."

The bill creates two new offenses aimed at bank fraud: concealing assets from a federal banking agency and obstructing an examination of a financial institution.

The bill will also raise from $50 million to $162.5 million the annual Justice Department appropriation for fraud investigations. Executives convicted under a new "kingpin" provision would receive from ten years to life in prison and fines up to $10 million for an individual to $20 million for organizations. The bill also:

- allows federal prosecutors to step in to stop suspected illegal activity, rather than waiting for an indictment that could come long after an S&L has been plundered.
- formalizes the position of James Richmond, the special counsel who has been coordinating federal efforts to catch thrift crooks and recover assets under the auspicies of the Financial Institutions Fraud Unit.
- creates an eight-member commission to study the thrift crisis and propose solutions.
- rewards whistle-blowers and lawyers who sue S&L cheats.

The awards to the whistle-blowers would be paid on a sliding scale based on the amount of money seized, which could result in bounties in the tens of thousands of dollars, or even into the millions "in certain kinds of instances " said Urgenson.

Even if there are no assets to collect, tipsters who help the Justice Department track down and convict financial wrongdoers could be eligible for rewards of up to $50,000. In addition, private lawyers could earn contingency fees based on the amount of stolen thrift assets they recoup for the government.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - President Bush stopped short of direct threats today but had sharp words for Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein and his treatment of U-S diplomats holed up in the Embassy in Kuwait City. Iraqi forces have cut water, food and electrical power to the Western embassies that remain in the Kuwait. Bush told reporters before and after a campaign appearance in suburban Virginia that he is concerned about the Americans in Iraq and Kuwait, but he insisted that the

hostages will NOT be used as a ''pretext'' for military action.

The South African government is lifting emergency regulations in 11 black townships surrounding Johannesburg. But Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok says special rules giving police sweeping powers to search and arrest will remain in effect in other areas because of continuing violence between warring black factions. The black-on-black violence has claimed at least 800 lives since August.

31 victims of the violence were buried today at a mass funeral service in the sprawling Soweto township. That after a senior member of the Zulu Inkata movement was shot down in broad daylight yesterday in strife-torn Natal province.

Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor is pleading for a truce in the 10-month-old civil war. A spokesman says Taylor's National Patriotic Front is ready to stop shooting if a five-nation west African peace- keeping force halts its advance. Taylor says the peace-keeping force has compromised its neutrality. Taylor earlier refused to accept a cease- fire offer that would have given the peace-keeping force the right to station troops in Liberia to monitor a truce.

Officials in Detroit are mobilizing their volunteers again today to patrol streets of the city in efforts to block an epidemic of arson fires that has become an unwanted Halloween tradition in Motown. Dozens of so-called ''Devil's Night'' fires lit the skies over sections of Detroit last night, leaving several families homeless. There were NO reports of deaths or serious injuries.

Mounting tensions between Hindus and Moslems in neighboring India have prompted the government of Bangladesh to impose a curfew in mostly Hindu sections of Dhaka. Radio and television broadcasts began urging residents of the mostly Hindu old section of the city to remain at home after Moslem protesters tried to set fire to a Hindu temple. Moslems are upset by the storming of an ancient mosque in Ayodhya, India. Bangladesh is about 84 percent Moslem and 12 percent Hindu.

The White House says Queen Elizabeth will visit the United States in May on the invitation of President Bush. A spokesman says the queen will be accompanied by Prince Philip. The exact dates of the visit have yet to be determined.

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#90304u1282 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold

London		
Previous close fix	375.00	up 2.25
Morning fixing	379.25	up 4.25
Afternoon fixing	379.50	up 4.50
Close	379.25	up 4.25
Paris	381.10	up 5.56
Zurich	378.00	up 4.50
Hong Kong	378.65	up 6.20
New York		
Comex spot close	379.40	off 0.30
Republic cash	379.50	off 0.25
Handy and Harman	379.50	up 5.75

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 380.80 up 5.76 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 399.84 up 6.05 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.18	off 0.065
Republic cash	4.175	off 0.055

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.21 per fine ounce up 0.04

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.21 off 0.005 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.505 off 0.005

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 440.00 up 16.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 540.00 up 16.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 97.50 unchanged per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 112.50 unchanged.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Texaco Inc., the third-largest U.S. oil company, launched a multi-million dollar ad campaign Wednesday to encourage energy conservation nationwide, saying supplies this winter could reach uncomfortable levels.

"While Texaco expects manageable, but perhaps not comfortable, supplies of gasolines, home heating oil and other fuels this winter, we believe the individual conservation efforts of consumers and businesses can significantly enhance the margin of safety," said Texaco President James Kinnear.

Because supply interruptions "due to unexpected cold weather and other contingencies" are possible, "Texaco strongly supports the call to conserve and we want to do our part," Kinnear told a news conference.

Although supplies of heating oil are higher than last year, crude oil stocks have declined sharply in the last seven weeks as a result of the fall-off in imports caused by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait.

Texaco's advertising campaign will begin next week in national magazines, key regional newspapers and on major-market radio stations in the Northeast corridor and will include 15-second spots on national television starting in mid-November.

Texaco also will offer a nationally known expert on home improvements for local television and radio shows to discuss energy conservation measures that would reduce families' energy bills.

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#90304u1299 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (OCT. 31) UPI - The top thrift regulator in Texas was wined and dined and provided with female escorts by Vernon Savings & Loan - an institution his office was investigating at the time - a convicted Vernon executive testified Wednesday.

"We knew (Linwood) Bowman was a crucial contact," said Pat Malone, former Vernon vice president at the fraud trial of Vernon owner Don Dixon. "We tried to put on the dog for him."

During the 1985-86 period when Bowman was Texas savings and loan commissioner, the thrift paid to fly him to Kansas to hunt and to California to visit S&L properties.

During the California trip, Bowman was escorted by a female crew member, one of two flown in from a Vernon yacht, the High Spirits, berthed in Florida. "We were told to get Mr. Bowman a date, and we did," said Malone. "He seemed to appreciate having a woman on his arm." Bowman, who later resigned from office, admitted the trips, but said he was physically incapable of sex and did nothing illegal.

In a 38-count indictment, the government alleges Dixon fraudulently hid payments used to pay prostitutes, make political contributions and support his high living. In 1987 Vernon collapsed, causing $1.3 billion in losses.

Malone testified Bowman was picked up in a Falcon 50 corporate jet and flown to Southern California along with three bank officers. They were met by four women, including the two yacht employees.

During the March 1985 trip, Bowman and the Vernon officials dined at pricey restaurants, drove antique cars and stayed at posh hotels, including San Francisco's Fairmont. There, Bowman and Dixon shared a large suite with two women who were registered as the men's wives, he said.

"Was the woman listed as Mrs. Dixon actually Mrs. Dixon?" asked lead Justice Department prosecutor Robert Hauberg. "No," said Malone. "That was just something we put down to register her."

Dana Dee, Dixon's wife, sitting in the front row of the spectator section, showed no expression as the prosecution hammered at Dixon's sexual activities. "Did everybody have a woman each night?" asked Hauberg. "Yes," said Malone. "We were led to believe the women were there for us."

Malone said the two yacht employees stayed at the Fairmont for several days, compliments of Vernon, after the thrift officials and Bowman flew home. "All the expenses were put on (the) Vernon American Express master account," said Bowman. "The company picked up everything."

In January 1985, Vernon executives took Bowman to a hunting resort in Kansas, said Malone. The trip included catered meals and female escorts. "He seemed to appreciate our attention," Malone testified.

Bowman, whose office was investigating Vernon at the time, later justified the trips as ways to see Vernon properties and talk frankly with thrift executives.

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#90304u1330 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

HARTFORD, CT (OCT. 31) UPI - The Travelers Corp., a major, multi-line insurance company, blamed the country's declining real estate market for a $499.3 million third-quarter loss reported Wednesday.

Travelers joins a growing list of insurers who, like many of the nation's big banks before them, are seeing the effects of the real estate market's slump on their earnings.

The insurer said the results reflected losses from a previously disclosed $650 million charge it took for reserves for possible losses in real estate and mortgage loans. The loss compared with profit of $94.2 million, or 89 cents a share, in the same period last year.

Operating profit for the quarter, which excludes investment losses, rose almost 26 percent to $85 million in the quarter ended Sept. 30, compared with the year-earlier period. But the company wrote less business, with premiums totalling $1.8 billion, down 5 percent from $1.9 billion in premiums a year earlier.

For the year so far, Travelers has lost $306 million, compared with a profit of $306.1 million or $2.95 a share in the first nine months last year. Also, premiums are down 15 percent for the first nine months to $5.8 billion from $5.9 billion in the first three quarters last year.

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#90304u1339 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - Despite Saudi Arabia's recent windfall oil profits the United States should not ask the Saudis to lower prices because world markets would be disrupted, several experts told a Senate hearing Wednesday.

Since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2, skyrocketing oil prices have been a bonanza for Saudi Arabia, which is being protected by some 200,000 U.S. soldiers.

M.A. Adelman, an economics professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, said Saudi oil profits have increased at a rate of $50 billion a year since the invasion.

Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., the only senator who attended a hearing following congressional adjournment over the weekend, suggested that Saudi Arabia should be asked to decrease oil prices because it is being protected by so many American troops.

But John Lichtblau, head of the Petroleum Industry Research Foundation, said lower Saudi oil prices would cause "tremendous distortions" in the worldwide supply system. A lower price "couldn't stay there," Lichtblau said, and Saudi oil would quickly have to be rationed because it would be widely sought.

A better solution is to ask the Saudis to pay a greater portion of U.S. costs for the massive Operation Desert Shield mobilization, Lichtblau said. Adelman agreed in testimony to the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs.

"Make them cover a bit more of the costs of the current operation," the MIT professor said. Trying to push down Saudi oil prices would distort the market "and probably push prices up further in the long run," Adelman said.

Lieberman, who has called numerous news conferences and hearings to castigate major oil companies for their gasoline prices and profits since the invasion of Kuwait, asked what would happen to the price of oil if war breaks out in the Middle East.

"I wouldn't be surprised if oil prices tripled (to $100 a barrel)," said Fariborz Ghadar, an international business professor at George Washington University.

Adelman agreed, saying, "There's no limit to how high it would go in the short

run. It could go up to a damaging degree." But if Iraq withdraws from Kuwait, oil prices would initially drop to near the pre-invasion price of less than $20 a barrel, Lichtblau predicted.

Lieberman asked whether the Soviet Union could help supply American oil needs. An international trade consultant, Paul Freedenberg, said although the Soviets are the world's largest oil producer with an output of 12 million barrels a day, their production has been dropping.

The Soviet oil operation is plagued by labor and political strife, Freedenberg said. "Some U.S. analysts think that the Soviet Union's oil industry 'is on the brink of chaos."'

A healthy Soviet oil industry is important to maintaining worldwide price stability, Freedenberg said, and also critical for the survival of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

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#90304u1349 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (OCT. 31) UPI - Laser surgery that blasts away microscopic bits of the cornea could someday replace glasses and contact lenses, eye experts said Wednesday.

The surgery to reshape the cornea - the outer part of the eye that acts as a lens - has been tested on about 300 patients in the United States and about 1,800 worldwide, the doctors said.

The results of the tests have been promising but there are still several problems, such as a hazy film that often develops in the cornea, the doctors said.

''I wouldn't have it done on myself, and I tell my patients that. I'm afraid of being the one-in-1,000 complication,'' said Dr. George Waring at an American Academy of Ophthalmology meeting.

Doctors also have noticed a thickening of certain eye tissue, and there is also little data available on how long the effect of the surgery lasts.

The procedure must be approved by the Food and Drug Administration before being made widely available.

The cost for the average patient is unclear but could be about $2, 000, said Dr. Manus Kraff, head of the American Society for Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery.

The procedure is performed with an excimer laser, a highly precise device capable of reshaping the cornea a millionth of an inch with each pulse of

energy.

''Really what we're doing is mimicking what the front surface of the contact lens does by reshaping the cornea,'' said Dr. Francis L'Esperance.

In about two-thirds of the patients, a ''haze'' develops after surgery. Only a few patients report noticing the haze, and even they usually consider it an improvement over their ability to see before the surgery, the doctors said.

The haze, caused by damaged cells near where the laser pulses strike, usually forms three to six weeks after surgery, and disappears over the next two to six months.

''If it doesn't go away, it leaves a scar, and therein lies the danger,'' Waring said.

Certain steroids taken after surgery to reduce inflammation may prevent development of the haze, the doctors said.

''Without that haze, we'd be very happy,'' said Dr. Stephen Trokel, a consultant with VISX Inc., one of the developers of the excimer laser. ''The patients would be very happy.''

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#90304u1378 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

KHARTOUM (OCT. 31) UPI - Britain advised Wednesday that dependents of its expatriates in Sudan should leave the country as soon as possible, citing possible disturbances as a result of food shortages but provoking diplomatic speculation the move is linked to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Staunchly Islamic Sudan is one of only three Arab countries that has refused to condemn Iraq's Aug 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

A British Embassy spokeswoman in Khartoum declined comment on the reasons for the advice and said steps would be taken, but not immediately, to move Britons out.

Most of the Britons working in Sudan are employed by aid organizations. Others work at Khartoum power stations and a few are businessmen.

A spokesman at the Foreign Office in London said the British ambassador in Khartoum would ''shortly'' circulate advice to the British community there that it was time to think about leaving.

''The gist of his advice will be that he thinks they have reached the moment when they should consider arranging for their families to leave Sudan,'' the spokesman said.

He said a ''combination of circumstances'' prompted the decision and it was complicated by difficult communications inside the East African country.

''The domestic situation is difficult, with food shortages, and the possibility of famine, perhaps civil disorder,'' he said.

The London spokesman made no mention of the gulf or of the possibiity that Britons mkght be at risk in Sudan if hostilities broke out in the gulf.

The spokeswoman in Khartoum said the embassy received a few telephone inquiries from the 856 Britons in Sudan about the announcement and was planning to hold a wardens' meeting Friday. The ''warden'' system allows embassies to monitor their citizens' safety through a few key individuals.

A number of young Britons, working for the British Voluntary Service Overseas aid organization - the equivalent of the U.S. Peace Corps - left Sudan last Friday. Diplomats who asked not to be identified said it followed parental worry about the safety of their children in Sudan.

The Sudanese military government, which seized power in a June 1989 coup, has recently criticized western countries, both because of the western military buildup in the gulf and because the government says food aid for up to 5 million people at risk of famine in Sudan is being tied to politics.

Sudanese Foreign Minister Ali Sahlul said Tuesday, however, his country's position on Iraq had been misrepresented.

''Our position may have been a bit distorted,'' he said. ''We don't go along with the occupation of Kuwait. We don't condone the occupation or annexation of other countries.

''Sudan is neutral,'' Sahlul said. ''We are using whatever contacts we have with Iraq to try to persuade them'' toward a peaceful solution, he said.

U.S. Ambassador James Cheek, who said his government has no plans for a similar evacuation, Tuesday cited the gulf situation as a factor under consideration in assessing the safety of citizens.

''We look at the situation in Sudan, its stability, and outside factors of which now the gulf crisis is one,'' he said.

''I'm not sure what they (the British) are doing,'' he said. ''We are not evacuating.''

Cheek said other factors are terrorism and the economic situation.

Sudan has a $4.6 billion budget deficit and a forecast harvest shortfall of

one million tons this year. It is also fighting a 7-year- old civil war in the South that costs it about $2 million a day.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mixed.

American Stocks - Lower in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed slightly lower in light trading.

Dollar - Slightly higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Slightly lower.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1 3/4 to up 1/4, soybeans up 2 1/4 to down 1/2, wheat unchanged to down 2 1/4 and oats up 1/4 to 1.

Cattle Trade - Steady to $1 higher; top $80.25.

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CHICAGO (OCT. 31) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.42-2.52 off 2 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.84- 5.94 up 1 1/2.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.17 1/4-2.30 off 1 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.30 1/4-2.32 1/4 off 1 3/4 to 1 1/4.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $7 higher to $3 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.85 cent to 1.85 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.35 cent higher to 0.30 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.15 cent higher to 0.02 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex unchnaged to $0.40 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $1.40 an ounce higher across the board for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.75 cent higher to 0.85 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 6.3 to 6.5 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.005 to 0.011 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90304u1418 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
OTTAWA (UPI) - The Canadian government moved Wednesday to block an attempt by the U.S. Congress to restrict trade with Cuba by Canadian subsidiaries of American companies.

An order, issued under the so-called Foreign Extraterritorial Measures Act, is aimed at countering the Mack amendment to the U.S. Export Act, recently passed by Congress.

The amendment prevents the issuing of any licenses for trade with Cuba and makes it illegal for any U.S. subsidiary to trade with Cuba.

''This action demonstrates our determination to block measures that infringe Canadian sovereignty,'' Justice Minister Kim Campbell said in a prepared statement. He said the Canadian government alone regulates international trade and commerce by companies based in Canada.

The order prohibits any corporation in Canada from complying with the U.S.

measure and requires them to report to the government any directives or instructions related to the measure, Campbell said.

External Affairs Minister Joe Clark said the Mack amendment was ''clearly unacceptable'' and would restrict trade which Canadian subsidiaries have built up with Cuba over the years.

Canada enacted the Foreign Extraterritorial Measures Act in 1984 to fight the extraterrorial application of foreign laws in Canada. Government officials said this was the first time a blocking order has been issued under the law.

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#90304u1430 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - Soviet Mideast envoy Yevgeny Primakov says that if all peace efforts fail, the Soviet Union will NOT oppose use of military force against Saddam Hussein. But, Primakov says the Red Army will NOT join the fighting. His remarks to a Cairo newspaper appear to contradict President Gorbachev , who calls a Persian Gulf war is unacceptable.

At a campaign stop in Virginia today, President Bush said he's had it with Iraq's treatment of American hostages in the Gulf. Bush vented his anger at Saddam for NOT allowing the United States to re-supply its diplomats trapped for three months in the American Embassy in Kuwait City.

Several experts told a Senate hearing today that the United States should NOT ask Saudi Arabia to lower crude oil prices because world markets would be disrupted. Since Iraq's August occupation of Kuwait, skyrocketing oil prices have provided a bonanza of windfall profits for Saudi Arabia that could reach 50-BILLION dollars a year.

A combined Israeli and South Lebanon Army patrol discovered a car packed with 300 pounds of explosives near the town of Tel Hamas inside Israel's self-declared ''security zone'' in southern Lebanon. Two suspects were arrested and the car was blown up. 12 days ago a car-bomb killed seven Israelis.

Under the new budget agreement, the government will NO longer pay for a headstone for veterans NOT buried in national cemeteries. The 85- dollar allowance for a headstone or marker was a casualty in the deficit-cutting plan that Congress passed before adjourning last week.

The government says it will save 30-Million dollars over five years by eliminating the marker allowance and limiting the burial plot allowance for vets. In all, Congress trimmed three-point-seven-BILLION dollars from veterans programs over five years.

Leaders of the unions striking the New York Daily News met with Cardinal John

O'Connor yesterday. After the session, the prelate urged Governor Mario Cuomo or the federal courts to intervene in the dispute and bring about a settlement. The paper began hiring replacements for strikers, leading some members of The Newspaper Guild to return to work.

An attorney for some of the 270 victims of the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, is skeptical of reports that the U- S Drug Enforcement Administration might have had a role in the tragedy. Attorney Lee Kreindler says the story appears aimed at diverting attention away from Pan Am security and the official inquiry into the disaster.

A Siegel and Gale Perplexity Poll survey says medical insurance claim forms... income tax forms... college financial aid applications, and hospital bills are the toughest documents to deal with these days. The survey asked 625 adults to rank common forms and documents according to difficulty, reader satisfaction and attitude toward those required to fill them out.

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#90304u1431 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

SALEM, MA (OCT. 31) UPI - Houdini devotees armed with the magician's own handcuffs reached out to the Great Beyond Wednesday, but their annual Halloween seance failed once again to make contact with the famous escape artist.

While magicians were disappointed in their hopes to raise Harry Houdini from the dead, covens of witches prepared to mark the most important night of their year.

The site of the infamous witch trials of 1692, Salem becomes a Mecca for tourists each Halloween. ''The Witch City'' also was the scene of a performance by Houdini in 1906, so fans of the world's best-known magician felt it was the appropriate spot for this year's seance.

Houdini, who died on Halloween in 1926, won world fame for his ability to escape from any form of restraint, his most sensational feat being to free himself from an airtight tank filled with water. But the magician, who was born Ehrich Weiss in 1874, was skeptical of the claims of spirtualists and mediums. Before his death he arranged a test of the spiritualists' talents. Houdini and his wife agreed on a ten-word code which he would use if he were able to come back from the dead.

''Houdini never said he'd come back. He said if anyone could come back he would,'' said Sid Radner, 70, a former escape artist and protegee of Houdini's brother Hardeen.

The magician's widow, Bess, held a seance each year for a decade following his death, but finally gave up in 1936, Radner said.

''At that time, she said 10 years was long enough to wait for any man,'' he said.

About 300 people gathered at the Hawthorne Hotel in Salem while Radner and his colleagues began their seance at one minute after midnight. But although the group enlisted the help of Houdini's niece and nephew and several local ''witches,'' and borrowed a pair of Houdini's own handcuffs from a local museum, there was no sign of the great magician.

There was, however, a false alarm, Radner said.

''After we did fail to make contact, some of the witches and mediums suggested we hold a second seance,'' during which one of them claimed to have contacted Houdini but ''said he didn't want to come back,'' Radner said.

''I said I wanted to make sure I'm talking to Houdini,'' he said.

So Radner, a Holyoke resident who has an extensive collection of Houdini memorabilia and has been taking part in the annual seances since the late 1940s, said he asked the medium what Houdini used to call his brother. The medium had no response.

But despite the apparent hoax, Radner felt the seance was a success - in that the participants were carrying on Houdini's tradition of exposing the phoney spiritualists.

''People shouldn't believe so rapidly. We're debunking the mediums,'' he said.

The Houdini devotees were only one of several groups flocking to Salem to mark Halloween. At the Salem Chamber of Commerce, the staff was frantically trying to answer a deluge of calls from eager visitors.

''It rings off the hook,'' said Julie Soboczinski, administrative assistant at the chamber of commerce.

A haunted house on the town common, a witch trial trail walk, and a candelight tour at the House of Seven Gables - with the guides dressed as characters from the Nathaniel Hawthorne novel - were among several events planned, she said.

It was equally busy at the Salem Witch Museum.

''My staff is ready to drop in their tracks,'' said museum Director Patty MacLeod. ''The number of visitors is mindboggling.''

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#90304u1433 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (OCT. 31) UPI - Bahraini Foreign Minister Mohammed bin Mubarak al Khalifa arrived in Tehran Wednesday to seek Iranian cooperation in finding a solution to the Persian Gulf crisis, the official Iranian media said.

Al Khalifa, whose visit was the first by a Bahraini foreign minister to Tehran since the Iranian revolution in 1979, met President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani and handed him a message from the emir of Bahrain, Tehran radio said.

The official Islamic Republic News Agency said the Bahraini minister would stay two days in Tehran and meet with Iranian leaders on the crisis caused by the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and its impact on the region.

He told the Iranian president Bahrain decided that recent developments in the region made it necessary for Manama to have closer relations with Iran.

Al Khalifa said Bahrain and its Arab neighbors on the southern shores of the Persian Gulf believed it would be profitable for them to cooperate more closely with the Islamic Republic.

Bahrain is a member of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council, which includes Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Oman.

The Iranian state radio quoted him a saying: ''As one family (of nations), we must have more cooperation in the region.'' Al Khalifa also met with Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati, the radio said.

Earlier, he told IRNA regional countries should try their utmost to prevent a catastrophe.

IRNA quoted him as saying: ''The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait has exposed the region to serious dangers and this problem cannot be solved in the absence of collective cooperation (among) the littoral states'' of the gulf.

Tehran condemned the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and pledged to comply with U.N. sanctions against Iraq, but has restored diplomatic relations with Baghdad and indicated it wished to avoid any conflict with Iraq.

Monday, Tehran radio expressed fears that the gulf was on the brink of an all-out war and that the presence of weapons of mass destruction in the area could draq all the regional states, including Iran, into the conflict.

During the 1980-88 gulf conflict, GCC member-states bankrolled Iraq's fight against Iran but since Baghdad's troops marched into Kuwait, the attitude of the states has changed.

Earlier this week, a high-ranking Saudi Arabian official was in Tehran with a message for Velayati from the Saudi foreign minister. Details of the message were not disclosed.

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#90304u1445 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (OCT. 31) UPI - World oil supplies are sufficient to meet current demand, although strained production capacity foretells possible risk in the coming months, the International Energy Agency said Wednesday.

"There were no conclusions because there are no fundamental changes," Ulrich Engelmann, chairman of the IEA Governing Board said after a meeting of the group to review the oil situation in light of the Persian Gulf crisis.

"Stocks are at a comfortable level. The world oil supply is sufficient to meet current demand and prices are unrelated to the market fundamentals," he said.

"The fact that price fluctuations are not related to the market fundamentals means that if the political situation eases, the oil price will react to it," Engelmann said. The IEA was formed by the 21 largest industrialized, oil-consuming nations to monitor world oil production and consumption.

As it did on three previous occasions since the Persian Gulf crisis was triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, the IEA Governing Board found no need to ask governments to use their emergency stocks.

In a report released Wednesday, the agency said the outlook for the coming winter appeared "slightly eased" from September because of a moderate build in the stocks of industrialized nations, higher production by Mideast countries and an easing of worldwide demand.

"Despite the apparent easing of the supply and demand balance, the petroleum industry remains near capacity at almost every point in the production, refining and distribution system. Thus the oil market is still at the risk of further disruption," the report said.

It said that short of conservation and a draw on government-controlled stocks, "the draw of commercial stocks is practically the only possible response left to cope with unforeseen demand surges or supply disruptions." The report estimated that a draw of 700,000 barrels a day during the fourth quarter may be required to balance demand with available supplies.

The Paris-based agency said 3.5 million barrels a day of the 4.2 million barrels lost by the U.N. embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil was made up by Oct. 1. "It is entirely possible that all could be made up during the current quarter," it said.

The report said world demand in the fourth quarter was expected to decline by 300,000 barrels a day compared to the fourth quarter last year to 53.4 million barrels a day.

Consumption by the 24 industrialized countries that belong to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development is expected to drop by two percent during the period.

The agency estimated current world oil output at 53.4 million barrels a day, including the 22.6 million barrels a day produced by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries. This does not include the oil output of the centrally planned economies of the former Communist bloc nations.

The IEA lowered its previous estimates of oil consumption in the fourth quarter because of higher oil prices and lower economic growth. Fourth quarter OECD oil consumption was expected to decline by 800,000 barrels a day, or two percent from the comparable period last year.

Daily consumption in the first quarter of 1991 was expected to drop a further 500,000 barrels to 37.9 million barrels a day. At the same time oil supplies were expected to be higher than had been estimated because of increased OPEC production. Saudi Arabia's production in September was 7.5 million barrels a day, up two million barrels from August.

The United Arab Emirates pumped 2.2 million barrels a day in September, up from 1.7 million in August. Iran's production was estimated at 3.4 million barrels a day, up from 3.3 million.

The report said that if Saudi production reached eight million barrels a day, the remaining OPEC spare production capacity, excluding Iraq and Kuwait, would be less than one million barrels a day.

"Thus a surge in demand for crude during a peak cold month in the fourth quarter could put considerable pressure on crude prices, because there would be little spare production capacity left," the report said. "The easier current supply and demand balance is not a signal for complacency."

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - There could be electricity shortages this winter in parts of the East where generating capacity may not be adequate to meet peak demands typical on extremely cold days, according to an Energy Department study released Wednesday.

The study said seven "electric regions" - ranging from New York to Florida - are vulnerable because they do not have the recommended five percent safety margin between highest expected demand and immediately available generating capacity. Other regions of the country have safety margins between eight percent and 58 percent, with most in ten percent to 25 percent range.

The study said power shortages could result from unusually cold weather or equipment failures, which often occur during frigid conditions. They are most likely to occur between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., when electricity demand is highest.

While raising the possibility of shortages, the study said short-term purchases of electricity from other regions with greater safety margins could help alleviate problems.

The report follows repeated warnings by Energy Department officials and utility industry representatives that financial and environmental barriers to building new power plants were leaving some regions dangerously short of excess generating capacity.

Of the seven regions facing difficulties, the tightest supply situation is in the Cincinnati-Dayton-Hamilton area in southern Ohio, where available power exceeds potential peak demand by only 0.9 percent.

Two other regions, the Florida Coordinating Council and the Tennessee Valley Authority, both have safety margins of 5.2 percent, slightly above the recommended level.

But the study said projections still raised concerns about Florida, which experienced shortages and voltage reductions during last December's extremely cold weather. At that time, Florida utilities had a safety margin of only 0.4 percent. Despite the improvement in Florida's reserve capacity, the study said: "A repetition of the December 1989 incident should not be completely discounted.

"In addition, the ability of the Florida Coordinating Council region to obtain more purchased power than currently available, even if it is available at the source, is limited by constraints on transmission into Florida."

As for the TVA, which serves Tennessee and parts of Mississippi, Georgia, Alabama, Kentucky, and North Carolina, the study said it was on the potential problem list because of uncertainty about data relating to generating capacity.

The other vulnerable regions and their safety margins are: the Virginia-Carolina Group, which covers South Carolina, North Carolina, and most of Virginia, 2.6 percent; the Western Pennsylvania-North Central Ohio Group, 2.7 percent; the Allegheny Power System, covering West Virginia and central Pennsylvania, 3.9 percent; and the New York Power Pool, 4.1 percent.

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - The notorious Capitol Hill pay grab will boost the lifetime pension income of the typical House incumbent who wins in next Tuesday's election by more than $424,000, a taxpayers advocacy group said

Wednesday.

The National Taxpayers Union (NTU) also reported that last year's congressional salary hike will increase the number of pension multimillionaires in the House, including a dozen eligible for lifetime payouts of $3 million. Fifty-seven will be eligible for $2 million or more.

The group noted that if voters toss out all incumbents listed in its report, they would save $120 million in lifetime pension benefits.

''The 40 percent pay raise turns into a golden parachute for House incumbents who hang on for two more years,'' said David Keating, the NTU executive vice president.

Annual salaries of $125,000 are scheduled to take effect Jan. 1. Despite a groundswell of public outrage, Congress rejected demands that it rescind its largest pay raise ever.

The pay grab, plotted in secret by leaders of both parties and carried out during a session in which Congress raised taxes and reduced government services, prompted an anti-incumbency groundswell.

Since pensions for House members are linked to pay in the last three years before retirement, the typical re-elected incumbent could retire with a $49,125 pension after 1993, compared with a $34,993 pension after 1991.

Average lifetime benefits rise from $1,098,735 after 1991 to $1,523, 263 after 1993, according to the NTU study.

By staying in office just two more years, the NTU said, as many as 14 lawmakers could boost their lifetime pensions by more than $1 million.

The NTU said that 231 House members could collect over $1 million in lifetime benefits after 1993, compaqred with 139 after 1991.

''The benefits are outrageously generous,'' Keating said, adding that after 1993 annual benefits over $50,000 would go to 100 members.

Congressional retirement benefits are calculated by multiplying the years of member service by 2.5 percent of the average of the three highest years' salaries. Members may start drawing pension benefits as early as age 50.

Members pay 8 percent of their salaries into the Civil Service Retirement System, which according to government estimates has an unfunded liability of more than $500 billion that eventually must be covered by the taxpayers.

Congressional pension benefits are fully protected from inflation with cost-of-living adjustments.

''Congress has protected itself from any economic harm that might result from its irresponsible spending policies,'' Keating said. ''Few private sector retirees have such protection from the ravages of inflation and recession.''

The Senate, after rejecting a pay raise and accepting only a cost of living increase, will get $104,600, effective Jan. 1.

House minority leader Robert Michel, R-Ill, could collect the largest initial annual pension after 1993 - $104,118, with estimated lifetime benefits of $2.2 million. Rep. Pat Schroeder, D-Colo., tops the list of projected lifetime benefits with a whopping $3.6 million.

''The day of reckoning is coming,'' warned consumer advocate Ralph Nader, who led the fight against the congressional pay raise. ''Members of Congress have no shame. Scandal, fraud and corruption are rampant in Congress and they gave themselves a raise.

''They think they're royalty,'' Nader said. ''The gap between the rulers and the ruled has never been greater. The royals in Congress are living like kings and queens.''

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#90304u1468 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	65	off	1-8
AT&T Company	33 3-4	off	1-8
BCE Inc	32 1-4	off	1-4
Bell Atlantic	51 5-8	up	3-4
BellSouth Corp	52 1-4	unch	
Exxon Corp	48 7-8	unch	
Ford Motor Co	27 3-4	up	1-8
Genl Electric	51 1-2	off 1	1-4
General Motors	36 5-8	unch	
GTE Corp	28	up	3-8
IBM Corp	105 1-8	off 1	1-4
Mobil Oil Corp	56 3-4	off	1-4
Nynex Corp	67 7-8	unch	
Pac Gas & Elec	23 3-4	up	1-8
Pacific Telesis	44 1-2	up	1-4
Phila Electric	16 5-8	up	1-4
Sears Roebuck	24 1-4	up	3-8
Southern Co	26 1-8	up	1-8
Sthwestern Bell	54	up 1	
US West Inc	36 1-2	off	1-8

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#90304u1493 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - Economic sanctions are beginning to have a serious effect on Iraq's civilian economy, the State Department said Wednesday, but they are not yet having any real impact on Saddam Hussein and his behavior.

The assessment came at a time when the United States has raised the level of rhetoric against Saddam, without specifically saying what it would do if the sanctions failed to reverse Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

President Bush, Secretary of State James Baker and Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney have all said this week that they rule nothing out, including ''the military option'' if the sanctions fail to achieve their goal.

At the State Department, spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said that the blockade of Iraqi oil exports has been almost totally effective, cutting 97 percent of them and costing the Iraqi government about $2.5 billion per month in lost revenues.

Before the invasion, the combined output of the Kuwaiti and Iraqi files was about 2 million barrels of oil per day. At current prices, that means Iraq is losing in the order of $75 million per day.

The sanctions on imports and the freezing of Iraq's overseas financial assets, she said, is hitting the civilian sector hard.

''We are beginning to see some signs of real shortages in Iraq as a result of the United Nations' sanctions,'' she said.

The U.N. sanctions forbid the shipping of any items to Iraq, with the exception of ''humanitarian supplies,'' which the United States interprets as medicine and medical items.

''Iraq's foreign assets have been frozen, severely limiting Baghdad's ability to pay for imports even if it finds sellers willing to circumvent the sanctions,'' said Tutwiler.

She said imports of industrial goods, foreign raw materials, semifinished goods, and machinery have been reduced by 90 percent to less than 10 percent of pre-invasion levels, leading to a steady decline in Iraqi industrial activity.

There have also been shortages of imported lubricants, spare parts, and chemicals, which are hampering machine operations and causing production difficulties at refineries, petrochemical plants and other industrial sites. The sanctions have brought most of Iraq's development projects to a virtual

halt, she said.

Iraq announced gas rationing two weeks ago, reportedly because it was lacking some vital additives that are required for the refining of gasoline and motor oil. But that rationing was canceled this week as a ''mistake,'' and the minister in charge of the petroleum industry was summarily fired and replaced by Saddam's son-in-law.

Tutwiler said that while food is still readily available, the Iraqi government is rationing basic commodities such as bread, sugar, and soap. The costs of some basic commodities, she said, have jumped 800 percent since the invasion.

But, she added, ''It is important to remember that the aim of these sanctions is to change the behavior of the government of Iraq. No one can say at this point how rapidly these shortages will translate into meaningful decisions, particularly since Saddam Hussein has made clear that his army will be the last to be touched by shortages and that he does not care how much the people of Iraq may suffer to protect that army.''

U.S. intelligence reports that the army and air force may be suffering from a shortage of some spare parts for its armored vehicles and aircraft, but since Iraq purchased some $46 billion in military weapons during the war with Iran, some kinds of spare parts are in stock.

In addition, the Iraqis captured some of Kuwait's weapons intact in the Aug. 2 invasion, including two batteries of U.S.-made Hawk surface- to-air missiles.

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#90304u1494 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (OCT. 31) UPI - Standard & Poor's Corp. affirmed the debt ratings of the nation's Big Three automakers and their finance subsidiaries Wednesday - but changed its outlook to ''negative'' from ''stable,'' meaning there is potential for significant future downgrades.

The New York credit-rating agency said debt outstanding at the end of the third quarter among General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co., and Chrysler Corp. amounted to over $200 billion.

Big Three automakers lost a combined $2.09 billion during the latest quarter ended Sept. 30, compared with total profits of nearly $1.33 billion in the year-ago quarter.

Apart from the economic downturn, S&P said recent developments like the Mideast crisis and consequently higher fuel prices ''raise the likelihood'' that the auto industry could face a severe downturn.

''Even now, none of the Big Three are profitable in their core North American

automotive operations,'' S&P said, adding that higher costs of the new labor contracts and tighter regulation concerning safety, emission controls and fuel efficiency add to financial pressures.

S&P affirmed the senior debt ratings at GM and Ford at AA-minus, while Chrysler's senior debt rating was affirmed at BBB-minus.

Moody's Investors Service in New York also confirmed the senior debt rating of GM and its finance subsidiary Wednesday, saying the $2 billion third-quarterquarter loss posted by the automaker to formally close several assembly plants is partly non-cash related, and that the shrinking will have ''significant longer-term benefits'' to its profitability and cost structure.

The senior debt ratings for both GM and General Motors Acceptance Corp. were confirmed by Moody's at Aa-3.

Both S&P and Moody's lowered the senior debt ratings of Chrysler's finance unit this summer, based on Chrysler's industry performance.

Chrysler was one of the first to react to S&P's assessment.

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#90304u1504 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 11 points higher to two points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	75.50	75.70	74.92	75.03	74.92
Mar	75.50	75.60	74.90	74.95	74.97
May	75.60	75.65	75.07	75.13	75.04
Jly	75.60	75.65	75.05	75.05	74.90
Oct	68.30	68.50	68.26	68.14	68.10
Dec	66.69	66.69	66.32	66.40	66.30
Mar	67.35	67.35	67.35	67.35	67.25

Estimated sales: 8,500 contracts
Open interest: 46,755 up 1,102
The World spot average: 71.74

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#90304u1520 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	166.17	up	0.09
ASE Market Value Index	287.79	off	0.28
Dow-Jones Industrial	2442.08	off	5.94

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#90304u1522 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.72

60 to 89 days 7.85

90 to 119 days 7.72

120 to 149 days 7.68

150 to 179 days 7.63

180 to 270 days 7.61

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.90 - 7.80

Issuers 30 days 7.80

Issuers 90 days 7.78

Issuers 270 days 7.45

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.88

60 to 89 days 8.03

90 to 119 days 7.96

120 to 149 days 7.96

150 to 179 days 7.96

180 days 7.96

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.25 - 8.50

1 month 7.875 - 8.00

3 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

6 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

Year 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.11 - 7.09

6 months 7.09 - 7.07

Year 6.95 - 6.93

Federal Funds: High 10, Low 7 13-16, Close 10

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7.692 off 0.024.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90304u1525 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:
Stocks - 8,860,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,878,810,390
Bonds - $2,950,000
1990 to date - $613,989,000

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#90304u1538 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks	-	156,060,000 shares
1990 to date	-	33,407,036,782
Warrants	-	925,400
1990 to date	-	211,891,300

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#90304u1542 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (OCT. 31) UPI - A woman who gained national attention for using the men's restroom during a George Strait concert because the lines outside women's bathrooms were too long is to stand trial starting Thursday.

Denise Wells, 33, faces a $200 fine, but she hopes a municipal court jury will find her innocent of the charge that she used a bathroom reserved for the opposite sex in a disruptive manner.

The public's overwhelming positive reaction to her plight prompted her to fight the charge, Wells said.

''Women are calling in saying it's horrible - it's just the same thing all over,'' she said of a shortage of women's bathrooms in public places.

Her argument is that she only used the men's bathroom out of necessity and was not disruptive. Wells said she gave up the first time she went to the women's bathroom because the line was so long.

The lines outside the women's bathrooms at The Summit arena were even longer the second time, she said, adding she simply could not wait any longer.

Upon seeing a man take his girlfriend into the men's bathroom, Wells said she followed them. When she left the bathroom, a policeman gave her a ticket and threw her out of the concert, which she had paid $125 to attend.

City prosecutor Karl Rosette said Wednesday Wells was cited because men complained about her behavior.

''I'm confident she's guilty, and we have a strong case against her,'' he said. ''Basically, the state side has been untold. We have not participated in the interviews and (television) presentations she's made.''

Rosette said he believes the case does not deserve the national attention it has gained. Several people have been ticketed for the same offense in the past but usually do not contest the fine.

''Basically people know they're guilty and they pay the fine ... But in Texas, people have the right to a jury trial, even for parking fines, '' he said.

Since her arrest, Wells has appeared on the ''Tonight Show'' and has had her

story told in ''People'' magazine and ''Ladies Home Journal'' and in columns by Ann Landers and Erma Bombeck.

She reportedly has agreed to appear on the ''Geraldo'' show in early November, whatever the outcome of her trial.

Rosette said he expects to present his case within a couple of hours, but the defense attorney and judge estimate the trial could take about two days.

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#90304u1549 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - (Dow Jones has revised the close)

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2442.33	off	5.69
20 Trans	822.30	off	2.77
15 Utils	213.28	up	2.33
65 Stocks	862.53	off	0.05

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#90304u1554 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(Dow Jones has revised the close)

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2442.33	off	5.69	822.30	off	2.77	213.28	up	2.33
Tuesday	2448.02	up	17.82	825.07	off	2.04	210.95	up	2.57
Week ago	2504.21	up	10.15	867.05	off	7.95	210.51	up	0.56
Month ago	2489.36	off	15.84	882.77	off	12.02	202.46	off	0.32
Year ago	2645.90	up	0.82	1206.26	up	1.25	220.45	up	1.26
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90304u1569 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Wednesday - $46,570,000

1990 to date - $9,278,248,000

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#90304u1573 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 31) UPI - Fearing they would fail again to expel Israel from the U.N. General Assembly, Arab countries asked and obtained a 10- day postponement of a debate on Israel's U.N. credentials, diplomats said Wednesday.

Every year since 1982, Arab countries have tried to expel the Jewish state from the 160-nation General Assembly. But the move has always been defeated because the five Nordic countries made a counter proposal and successfully persuaded the body to reject the Arabs' expel motion.

The General Assembly was to discuss credentials of all countries attending its current 45th session Thursday. The diplomats said the issue will be taken up in about 10 days.

''We agree not to challenge Israel's credentials this year provided that it will abide by U.N. resolutions,'' Kuwaiti U.N. Ambassador Mohammad Abulhassan said.

In last year's vote, 95 countries supported Israel while 35 were against. The Soviet Union traditionally went along with Arab countries, but it abstained last year at a time relations between Moscow and Jerusalem were warming up.

The diplomats said the Palestine Liberation Organization proposed that Arab representatives work out a resolution this year demanding that Israel abide by U.N. resolutions instead of following their disastrous practice in previous years of trying to unseat that country.

They said the PLO and Arabs needed more time to work out their resolution and that was the reason they asked for the postponement.

Thirty-one Arab and Moslem countries signed a motion this week seeking to unseat Israel because of its ''defiant'' attitude toward U.N. resolutions regarding the status of Jerusalem, the Israeli-occupied West bank and Gaza Strip and the occupation of part of southern Lebanon by Israeli troops.

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#90304u1580 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (OCT. 31) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Wednesday - 8,443,000
1990 to date - 2,098,658,000

The market closed lower.

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#90304u1594 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

CLEVELAND (OCT. 31) UPI - BP America Inc., the North American division of British Petroleum Co. PLC., said Wednesday it would cut 85 jobs from its headquarters in Cleveland as part of a reorganization aimed a streamlining operations. BP America said its corporate staff of nearly 900 employees will be cut to 380.

Some 190 now employed at the corporate level will be assigned to one of three BP America divisions also headquartered in Cleveland and 210 will be employed by a separate service organization to provide various services to BP employees and companies.

People working in some of the 85 jobs being cut will be transferred to fill other openings and others will lose their jobs. The details of BP America's reorganization plan came two days after the company called a news conference to deny a published report that up to 700 BP America employees could be in danger of losing their jobs.

A spokesman said during Monday's news conference that fewer than 100 employees would lose their jobs and others would be transferred to BP America divisions - BP Oil, BP Exploration and BP Chemicals - in an effort to reduce bureaucracy.

"We've made excellent progress in making BP more productive and more competitive," BP America President James Ross said in a prepared statement Wednesday. "But with this structural change, we've only just begun the larger task of changing relationships throughout the company and the way we manage and behave.

"As we go into the next phases of Project 1990," Ross said, "our employees will see greater opportunities to contribute to the company's effectiveness, as well as to their own personal and professional goals."

BP bought a 56 percent stake of the Standard Oil Co. (Ohio) in the early 1970s so Standard Oil could finance exploration in Alaska and in 1987, it acquired full control of the company.

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#90304u1595 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	287.79	off 0.28
High Technology	286.84	off 2.32
Capital Goods	304.45	off 3.44
Consumer Goods	356.30	off 2.08
Service	611.56	off 4.54
Retail	868.67	off 1.10
Financial	340.05	up 0.56
Natural Resources	224.27	up 1.96

Housing-Const-Land 234.61 off 2.31

There was a loss of 1 cent in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	369.43	off 0.94
Mid Atlantic	375.89	off 0.91
No Central	364.47	up 1.88
So Atlantic	775.85	off 7.73
So Central	290.62	off 1.22
Mountain	105.27	off 0.70
Pacific	316.16	off 3.11
Foreign	221.17	up 1.33

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#90304u1610 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	30.65-30.70	30.20-30.30
North Sea Brent	35.45-35.50	35.10-35.15
West Texas Intermed	35.20-35.25	34.50-34.55
Light Louisiana Sweet	36.15-36.25	35.30-35.40
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	98.45-98.70	95.75-96.25
No. 2 Heating oil	88.50-88.75	90.20-90.45
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	90.15-90.40	88.25-88.75
No. 2 Heating oil	87.40-87.55	88.10-88.25

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(OCT. 31) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	216.50	218.00	214.80	217.75	216.20
Mar	219.00	218.00	214.80	219.80	218.45

Jun 222.10 220.75
Previous day volume: 45 contracts.
Open interest: 1,269 off 21
CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	307.40	307.90	303.25	306.80	306.20
Mar	309.95	310.40	305.90	309.35	308.70
Jun	312.40	313.00	308.70	312.20	311.55
Sep	....	315.50	312.50	315.00	313.60

Today's estimated volume: 48,632 contracts.
Open interest: 153,526 up 324
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	167.35	167.80	165.40	167.30	166.85
Mar	168.75	168.75	167.90	168.50	168.10
Jun	....	....	....	169.75	169.35

Open interest: 5,001 off 665
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	515.00	517.14	509.55	512.79	514.40
Dec	515.00	517.00	509.00	514.85	514.05
Jan	515.10	519.25	513.25	519.00	518.10

Estimated volume 4,944 contracts.
Open interest: 7,357 up 252

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#90304u1620 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	121,045,784	32 5/8	off 3
Costco Warehse	(COST)	75,290,680	36 1/4	up 1 1/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	51,439,588	63 3/4	off 1/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	45,145,096	33 1/2	up 1/4
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	40,891,704	30 3/4	up 3/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	31,219,320	30	off 5/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	23,875,212	24 3/4	up 3/4
US Healthcr	(USHC)	23,867,714	21 1/4	up 3/8
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	20,311,644	47 1/4	up 1/2
Adobe Systems	(ADBE)	19,521,060	24	up 7/8

Composite Index 144.62 unchanged

NMS volume 94,871,104 shares.
Advances 722
Declines 722

Unchanged	1,342
Total	2,786

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#90304u1625 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - Profits in the nation's banking industry, now burdened by waves of massive layoffs and rounds of belt tightening, declined by 52 percent during the third quarter, a Virginia bank research company said Wednesday.

The economic slowdown in New England, the Mid-Atlantic and the Southeast combined to overcome healthier financial climates in the Midwest and West to push overall bank earnings down, according to a survey by SNL Securities, of Charlottesville, Va.

Based on a preliminary review of financial result from 149 of the nation's 400 publicly traded banks, SNL found non-performing assets on the rise and deterioration in the adequacy of bank reserves.

The survey found bank reserves to have declined to their lowest levels in four years while net interest margins have narrowed. The ratio of equity capital to assets remained flat during the quarter.

Moreover, banks posted a sharp increase in levels of nonperforming assets, which have reached their highest volume of the post-war era. Nonperforming assets increased to 2.63 percent of assets during the quarter from 2.41 percent during the second quarter.

"The increase in nonperforming assets shows no sign of abating," said Reid Nagle, SNL's president. "Look for nonperforming assets to continue to rise for at least the next year, reaching record levels in each successive quarter." Nagle said the continued increases in nonperforming assets "will essentially wipe out" bank earnings for "at least the next year and perhaps longer."

The survey found striking regional differences in banking performance. Financial positions declined mosted markedly in states where real estate recessions have already taken hold, such as Massachusetts, New Jersey, Connecticut, and New York. As a group, New England banks posted their fourth consecutive quarterly loss.

The survey showed indications that the real estate sluggishness has spread south to the Mid-Atlantic states, where bank profits and asset quality eroded in the third quarter.

Profits of banks in the Southeast declined with institutions in Florida and Virginia among those hardest hit by rising levels of nonperforming assets.

In the Southwest, the once-promising signs of recovery were stalled during the third quarter as nonperforming assets reversed their previous downward trend. Banks in the region had been battered in the mid-1980s by weakness in the energy industry.

The two bright spots in the industry's performance were found in the West and Midwest, where banks continued to flex their muscle, but for different reasons.

"Banks in the West continue to benefit from a comparatively strong and diverse economic base, whereas banks in the Midwest have been rewarded for their conservative lending practices during the go-go days of the decade just ended " Nagle said.

Bank profitability declined slightly in the West while nonperforming assets rose modestly but remained at levels well below those of the previous year. Banks in the region also boosted their reserve coverage during the quarter.

Profits rose in Midwestern banks during the third quarter despite a modest increase in nonperforming assets. The SNL survey found Midwestern regional and superregional banks to be the strongest in the nation.

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#90304u1627 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Crusading columnist Jack Newfield resigned Wednesday from the Daily News, saying he could not ''in good conscience'' work for a newspaper whose owners were bent on crushing unions.

Known as a champion of workers, the poor and politically disenfranchised, Newfield said he handed in his resignation to News editor James Willse after a sleepless night as the bitter strike entered its sixth day.

He said he would be giving up his $90,000 annual salary at the News to write a column for the weekly New York Observer, starting with the Nov. 7 issue. ''I'll have less money but more self-respect,'' he said.

The News released a statement saying Newfield, who was a management employee, ''made a very personal decision. We thank him for his contributions to the Daily News and wish him well.''

Newfield, who came to the News in June 1988 after 24 years at the Village Voice, has written or co-authored six books, including ''City for Sale,'' an account of the municipal scandals under former Mayor Edward Koch.

The noted muckraker predicted dire consequences for workers throughout the city and the newspaper business if the News's owners, the Tribune Co. of Chicago, accomplish their goal of busting the paper's unions.

''If they break the unions here, in the biggest union town in the country, newspaper unions across America will be broken,'' Newfield said amid chanting pickets outside the News building, clutching some files and a rolodex. ''This is a watershed fight for labor and business.''

He added that Willse and other editors were not the enemy. ''The enemy are accountants and bond underwriters in Chicago.''

Newfield, like other members of the Newspaper Guild, directed criticism for the strike at union leadership for not addressing ''real abuses'' by their members during contract negotiations.

In his resignation, Newfield echoed the sentiments of many walking the picket line by saying, ''Working at the Daily News was the best job I ever had. I loved it.''

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#90304u1639 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (OCT. 31) UPI - The planned Nov. 9 launch of the shuttle Atlantis on a classified military mission will be delayed, possibly as much as two weeks, because of problems with the ship's spy satellite payload, officials said Wednesday.

''The Air Force has decided to delay (Atlantis's) launch to resolve anomalies discovered during cargo testing,'' said an Air Force statement. ''Details are classified and it's too early to predict a new launch date.''

Sources who requested anonymity, however, said Atlantis could be grounded for two weeks or more to resolve the problem.

Atlantis and its five-man all-military crew, grounded in July by an elusive hydrogen fuel leak, were formally cleared Tuesday for blastoff Nov. 9 after the shuttle passed a fueling test last week without springing any leaks.

With Atlantis solidly on track for launch, the shuttle's top-secret satellite payload, possibly bound for an orbit carrying it over the Persian Gulf, was installed in the ship's 60-foot cargo bay Monday at launch pad 39A.

But NASA Administrator Richard Truly met Wednesday in Washington with Lt. Gen. Donald Cromer, head of Air Force Systems Command, and word quickly spread about a problem with the payload.

The nature of the problem was not immediately clear and NASA officials would not discuss the matter because of the military nature of the flight.

''On this kind of a question, we have to refer you to the Air Force,'' said one NASA spokesman.

As usual with such military shuttle missions, details about the flight are secret, including the exact launch time, the identity of the payload and the landing time. In addition, all radio traffic between the astronauts and mission control will be blacked out for the duration of the mission.

In a launch announcement Tuesday, NASA would only say Atlantis was scheduled for liftoff sometime between 6:30 p.m. EST and 10:30 p.m. Nov. 9.

Sources, however, said launch was scheduled for around 6:47 p.m. EST Nov. 9 and that the flight would last three days, 23 hours and 55 minutes, resulting in a touchdown at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., around 3:42 p.m. PST on Nov. 13.

Atlantis's mission represents the last fully-classified shuttle flight currently on the books.

Only two more military missions are scheduled, one in February and another next summer, but the payloads of both missions have been declassified in a Department of Defense bid to save money.

By doing away with elaborate ''control mode'' security precautions, the Air Force will save some $80 million per year, according to sources who requested anonymity.

While the Pentagon will continue to deploy secret spy satellites and other classified national security payloads, such high-priority spacecraft will be launched by unmanned shuttle-class Air Force Titan 4 rockets.

''It was very expensive,'' an Air Force official said of classified shuttle operations. ''When it got canceled, it was around $80 million a year just for secure operations. We just couldn't afford to do it anymore.''

As for Atlantis's cargo, Aviation Week & Space Technology magazine reported in its Oct. 22 issue the shuttle is carrying a giant photo- reconnaissance satellite and that the spaceplane will be launched into an orbit tilted 28.5 degrees to the equator.

The magazine said a rocket attached to the satellite, known as Air Force Project 658, will boost the spacecraft to an altitude of about 460 miles. Sources told UPI the satellite will be launched from Atlantis on the second or third day of the mission.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Alcan Aluminum	7,948,900	18 5/8	off 1/4
Chase Manhattan	7,176,200	10	off 1/4
Unisys Corp	2,748,900	2 1/4	off 1/4
Citicorp	2,234,900	11 1/4	unch
Philip Morris	2,166,100	47 1/8	up 3/8
SouthCo	1,870,500	26 1/8	up 1/8
Schering-Plough	1,824,000	43 3/4	off 1 3/4
Travelers Corp	1,785,700	12 3/8	up 3/4
General Motors	1,707,000	36 3/4	up 1/8
IBM Corp	1,501,300	105 1/2	off 7/8
Tremont Cp wi	1,498,300	1 1/4	off 1/8
Lilly Eli	1,449,700	67 3/8	off 2
Boeing Co	1,399,100	44 3/4	up 1/4
Ford Motor	1,384,100	27 3/4	up 1/8
Eastman Kodak	1,348,300	39 3/4	up 1 1/4

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#90304u1657 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - The dollar lifted a bit Wednesday in thin, directionless New York trading as market players closed books at the end of the month, but some participants saw stronger Japanese interest in the U.S. unit.

"It's been pretty much featureless trading," said Morris Armstrong, a vice president with Girozentrale Vienna. With the dollar in a narrow range, dealers mostly took care of month-end paperwork and client orders.

In late New York dealings, the dollar was quoted at 1.5175 German marks, up from 1.5145 marks Tuesday, and 130.10 Japanese yen, up from 128.80.

But Susan Stearns, an assistant vice president with Harris Bank in New York, said buying of dollars for yen suggested some big Japanese investors might be getting ready to bid in November's U.S. Treasury quarterly refunding.

The Treasury was expected to sell some $34 billion of bonds and notes in the quarterly operation to finance the U.S. public debt. "There's some speculation that the Japanese might have some interest in the auction next week and that they are building their dollars in right now," she said. "That's a real possibility."

She confirmed Armstrong's description of a thin market, though, and said most foreign exchange players were awaiting the U.S. unemployment data to be issued Friday, looking for confirmation a recession is brewing.

A very weak unemployment number could oblige the Federal Reserve to bring the

key Federal funds short-term interest rate another 1/4 percentage point lower, which would probably kick the dollar even lower.

The Fed eased the funds rate, set on bank-to-bank overnight loans of reserve funds, to 7 3/4 percent from eight percent Monday.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2855 Swiss francs, up from 1.2820; 5.0825 French francs, up from 5.0685; and 1,137 Italian lire, up from 1,134.25. The pound slipped to $1.9435 from $1.9570.

In Europe, the dollar closed mostly lower as the market shook off the slightly positive effect of high U.S. third quarter gross national product and increased tensions in the Persian Gulf.

"It's been quiet for the dollar today. The bubble of the GNP figures has been burst, and we're waiting for real developments on the Gulf situation," said National Westminster Bank dealer Geoff Earnshaw.

Others said most activity focused on the weak British pound, which sagged on rumors of interest rate cuts by the Bank of England.

Also hurting the pound was Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's resistance to European Monetary Union at a weekend European summit, which she elaborated on in a speech to the Parliament on Tuesday. The pound slipped to $1.9450 compared with $1.9505.

In Frankfurt the dollar closed lower at 1.5160 German marks against 1.5250 on Tuesday. In Zurich it also retreated, to 1.2835 Swiss francs vs. 1.2960.

The dollar declined in Paris, Brussels and Milan: at 5.0885 French francs vs. 5.0935, 31.2350 Belgian francs vs. 31.30, and 1,138.40 Italian lire vs. 1,139.50.

Earlier, the dollar strengthened against the yen in Tokyo on reports of U.S. concern about the dollar's recent losses. The dollar closed at 129.35 yen, up 0.35 yen from Tuesday's close of 129.00 yen.

Kaneo Ogino, a vice president at Goldman Sachs (Japan) Corp., said the dollar rallied on reports that U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicolas Brady said he did not welcome the dollar's loss in exchange value.

In Zurich, gold rose to $378 an ounce from $373.50. In London the metal also moved up, closing at $379.25 an ounce vs. $375.

Silver closed higher in Zurich at $4.25 an ounce vs. $4.15 Tuesday. It also rose in London, to $4.22 an ounce vs. $4.17.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $379.50 an ounce, off a

bit from $379.75 Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $379.40 an ounce, down from $379.70.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.175 an ounce, off from $4.23. Comex silver closed at $4.18 an ounce, down from $4.245.

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#90304u1659 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Contl Air Hldgs	689,100	3 1/4	off 1/4
Wang Labs Inc B	472,700	2 7/8	up 1/8
Salomon wt93Jan	299,100	16 1/2	off 1/8
BAT Industries	291,000	10 9-16	unch
Echo Bay Mines	289,100	11 3/8	up 3/8
Denmark King wt	206,300	17 3/8	up 1/8
Energy Service	197,200	2 7/8	up 1/8
Eksportfinan wt	173,400	8 3/4	up 1/4
Americus T2 sc	159,700	6 7/8	unch
Reliance El pf	141,800	9 1/2	off 1/4

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#90304u1664 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, Greece (OCT. 31) UPI - Bahraini Foreign Minister Mohammed bin Mubarak al Khalifa arrived in Tehran Wednesday to seek Iranian cooperation in finding a solution to the Persian Gulf crisis, the official Iranian media said.

Al Khalifa, whose visit was the first by a Bahraini foreign minister to Tehran since the Iranian revolution in 1979, met President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani and handed him a message from the emir of Bahrain, Tehran radio said.

The official Islamic Republic News Agency said the Bahraini minister would stay two days in Tehran and meet with Iranian leaders on the crisis caused by the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and its impact on the region.

He told the Iranian president Bahrain decided that recent developments in the region made it necessary for Manama to have closer relations with Iran.

Al Khalifa said Bahrain and its Arab neighbors on the southern shores of the Persian Gulf believed it would be profitable for them to cooperate more closely with the Islamic Republic.

Bahrain is a member of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council, which includes Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Oman.

The Iranian state radio quoted him a saying: ''As one family (of nations), we must have more cooperation in the region.'' Al Khalifa also met with Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati, the radio said.

Earlier, he told IRNA regional countries should try their utmost to prevent a catastrophe.

IRNA quoted him as saying: ''The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait has exposed the region to serious dangers and this problem cannot be solved in the absence of collective cooperation (among) the littoral states'' of the gulf.

Tehran condemned the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and pledged to comply with U.N. sanctions against Iraq, but has restored diplomatic relations with Baghdad and indicated it wished to avoid any conflict with Iraq.

Monday, Tehran radio expressed fears that the gulf was on the brink of an all-out war and that the presence of weapons of mass destruction in the area could draq all the regional states, including Iran, into the conflict.

During the 1980-88 gulf conflict, GCC member-states bankrolled Iraq's fight against Iran but since Baghdad's troops marched into Kuwait, the attitude of the states has changed.

Earlier this week, a high-ranking Saudi Arabian official was in Tehran with a message for Velayati from the Saudi foreign minister. Details of the message were not disclosed.

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#90304u1682 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Crusading columnist Jack Newfield resigned Wednesday from the Daily News, saying he could not "in good conscience" work for a newspaper whose owners were bent on crushing unions.

Known as a champion of workers, the poor and politically disenfranchised, Newfield said he handed in his resignation to News editor James Willse after a sleepless night as the bitter strike entered its sixth day.

He said he would be giving up his $90,000 annual salary at the News to write a column for the weekly New York Observer, starting with the Nov. 7 issue. "I'll have less money but more self-respect," he said.

The News released a statement saying Newfield, who was a management employee, "made a very personal decision. We thank him for his contributions to the Daily News and wish him well."

Newfield, who came to the News in June 1988 after 24 years at the weekly

Village Voice, has written or co-authored six books, including "City for Sale " an account of the municipal scandals under former Mayor Edward Koch.

The noted muckraker predicted dire consequences for workers throughout the city and the newspaper business if the News's owners, the Tribune Co., of Chicago, accomplish their goal of busting the paper's unions.

"If they break the unions here, in the biggest union town in the country, newspaper unions across America will be broken," Newfield said amid chanting pickets outside the News building, clutching some files and a rolodex. "This is a watershed fight for labor and business." He added that Willse and other editors were not the enemy. "The enemy (is) accountants and bond underwriters in Chicago."

Newfield, like other members of the Newspaper Guild, directed criticism for the strike at union leadership for not addressing "real abuses" against their members during contract negotiations.

"I think the strike is suicide, and I blame it all on the union leadership," said striking City Hall reporter Andrew Kirtzman. "Management had it all planned, and we fell right into it."

In his resignation, Newfield echoed the sentiments of many walking the picket line by saying, "Working at the Daily News was the best job I ever had. I loved it."

He added, "But my conscience and self-respect just can't allow me to ratify the breaking of the unions with my labor and my name ... I would be miserable working for a paper that locked out its unions, and sitting next to scabs at desks once occupied by my friends."

Tom Robbins, a striking News reporter who came over from the Voice, where he worked closely with Newfield, said, "Jack wrestled with his conscience and made a courageous and principled decision. He always hated what they were doing upstairs." Said striking reporter Samme Chittum. "They (management) have to start worrying about defections. We're doing the right thing."

The News, however, has claimed that 250 members of the 750-member Newspaper Guild bargaining unit have crossed the picket line and gone back to work, but Guild president Barry Lipton disputed the figure, saying no more than 70 had broken ranks.

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#90304u1684 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Average yields for money-market mutual funds were lower in the latest reporting week, while rates at competing savings and loan institutions declined or were unchanged, organizations that track rates and

yields said Wednesday.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.42 percent, down from 7.45 percent the previous week, and 30-day simple yields were 7.45 percent, down from 7.46 percent. The average maturity of fund portfolios rose to 47 days from 46.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.86 percent, unchanged; Super-Now accounts, 4.94 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.43 percent, down from 7.46; 1-year CDs, 7.52 percent, down from 7.55; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.63 percent, down from 7.66; and five-year CDs, 7.78 percent, down from 7.79 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.17 percent, down from 8.20 percent the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.67 percent, off from 9.76 percent, while the average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage eased to 10.01 percent from 10.09 percent.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan fell to 12.10 percent from 12.11 percent last week.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	13	9	12
New lows	139	217	150

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	705	60,620,400
Declines	769	71,327,600
Unchanged	477	24,112,000
Total	1,951	156,060,000

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#90304u1693 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.85	off 0.09
10 Public Utils	90.81	off 0.18
10 Industrials	86.89	unch

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 127.88 off 0.35.

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#90304u1695 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	1
New lows	55

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	245	3,095,100
Declines	283	4,090,700
Unchanged	233	1,674,200
Total	761	8,860,000

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#90304u1696 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - Sugar Ray Leonard's estranged wife says the boxing champion abused and humiliated her, and a hearing has been scheduled Friday on her request for increased alimony and child support payments.

In court records of the couple's divorce proceeding that were recently unsealed, Juanita Leonard accused Sugar Ray Leonard of adultery and physical abuse. She said he ''persistently engaged in cruelty of treatment'' and that he assaulted her, causing her ''bodily injury.''

The boxing champion and Maryland resident also ''harassed and humiliated (his wife) in the presence of her family, friends and others, '' the records said.

Juanita Leonard's attorney, celebrity lawyer Marvin Mitchelson, would not comment Wednesday on the nature or extent of the abuse.

The court files of the divorce proceedings were unsealed by Judge William Miller Oct. 22 at the request of Mitchelson. They were initially sealed to protect the privacy of the couple's two children, he said.

Juanita Leonard is seeking increased monthly payments for alimony and child support from $12,000 to $50,000, Mitchelson said in a telephone interview Wednesday.

He said a hearing was scheduled for next March on the validity of a prenuptial agreement between the Leonards that was signed before they were married.

Mitchelson said the couple lived together for seven years before they married,

and that Ray Jr., the oldest of their two children, was born out of wedlock.

''If the prenuptial is upheld it gives her virtually nothing and no division of property,'' said Mitchelson, who estimated that Leonard was worth $50 million. ''It's a critical issue.''

The Leonards were married in 1980 in Prince George's County. Sugar Ray filed for divorce last March. In an amended petition Juanita filed in April, she said the couple separated in December 1989 and that Sugar Ray committed adultery.

Juanita Leonard owns a clothing boutique in a Virginia suburb of Washington and resides in Bowie, Md., Mitchelson said. Sugar Ray lives in Potomac, Md., he said.

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#90304u1700 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	331.49	328.89	329.84	up 0.01
Industrial	354.66	351.63	352.63	unchanged
Finance	325.09	323.58	325.08	up 1.94
Insurance	384.49	381.71	382.54	up 0.88
Utility	453.74	445.42	447.57	off 5.67
Bank	237.48	236.03	236.72	off 0.46
Transport	379.82	376.16	378.12	up 2.85

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	144.62 unchanged
Industrial Index	139.76 off 0.01
NASDAQ-100 Index	345.11 off 0.88
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.49 off 0.01
Volume	94,871,104 shares
Advances	722
Declines	722
Unchanged	1,342
Total	2,786

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#90304u1702 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2455.69	2475.99	2419.55	2442.33	off 5.69
20 Trans	826.18	835.98	815.64	822.30	off 2.77
15 Utils	210.89	214.54	209.88	213.28	up 2.33
65 Stock	864.33	873.73	853.66	862.53	off 0.05

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	17,843,800	20,101,300
Trans	2,668,900	3,161,600
Utils	3,734,700	3,302,300
65 Stock	24,247,400	26,565,200

Bonds	Close	Net	Chg.
20 Bonds	88.85	off	0.09
10 Public Utils	90.81	off	0.18
10 Industrials	86.89	unch	

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 127.88 off 0.35.

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#90304u1708 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Detectives Wednesday were investigating the mysterious death of an 8-month-old boy found in a Bronx hospital with his throat tube disconnected and heart monitor cut off, authorities said.

Little Nigel Bostick was found lifeless in his crib by a nurse in the pediatric ward at Montefiore Hospital in the Bronx, said Officer Scott Bloch, a police spokesman.

''His cardiac monitor was disconnected and the tracheotomy tube was removed from the child,'' Bloch said.

Doctors spent an hour unsuccessfully trying to revive the child, who was admitted to the hospital on Sept. 17, suffering from breathing problems, said the boy's mother, Theresa Bostick.

Hospital officials said Wednesday foul play was not suspected in the baby's death, explaining that he may pulled out the tube himself.

Bostick expressed shock at her young son's death. ''If you had a baby that was in the hospital and he was supposed to come home, how would you feel?

''We have three other kids from other marriages, but that was our baby,'' she said, in a telephone conversation from her Long Island home in Coram, where a man could be heard wailing in the background.

Bostick said she and her husband, George, a security guard at the Shoreham nuclear power plant, were confused about the circumstances surrounding her baby's death. ''We don't have anything. We don't have any information.''

The medical examiner's officer scheduled an autopsy Wednesday to determine whether the child's death should be ruled a homicide, Bloch said.

Police did not learn of the baby's death until 10:30 a.m. Tuesday morning - more than 18 hours after the nurse first found him lifeless - when the parents not the hosptial, contacted them.

Fred Yaeger, a spokesman for the hospital, insisted proper procedure had been followed, explaining that they are not required to inform the police of any deaths until the medical examiner has determined them suspicious.

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#90304u1735 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	166.86	165.87	166.17	up 0.09
Industrial	206.84	205.75	205.75	off 0.34
Transport	128.54	127.25	127.25	off 0.43
Utility	88.88	88.20	88.88	up 0.83
Finance	104.20	103.63	103.73	up 0.24

Equivalent to a gain of 1 cent in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 156,060,000 shares.

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#90304u1739 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	118,781,600
Advances	881
Declines	900
Unchanged	2,442
Total	4,223

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#90304u1740 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Wednesday it will auction a record $34.25 billion in bonds and notes at next week's quarterly refunding to help pay the government's bills and the cost of the savings and loan bailout.

Jay Powell, assistant secretary for domestic finance, also said the department estimates a record net borrowing need of $97.7 billion for the October-December quarter.

Next week's quarterly auctions of three- and ten-year notes and 29 3/4-year bonds will be used to settle $23.53 billion in notes maturing Nov. 15 and raise about $10.725 billion in new cash.

Next Tuesday, the Treasury Department will auction $12.5 billion in three-year notes, followed by auctions of $11 billion in ten-year notes Wednesday and $10.75 billion in the 29 3/4-year bonds Thursday.

The three-year notes will be sold in minimum denominations of $5,000, and the ten-year notes and 29 3/4-year bonds will be sold in minimum denominations of $1,000.

Powell also announced the government will auction $12 billion in 161-day cash management bills next Thursday to meet short-term cash needs. The minimum purchase will be $10,000.

The quarter's record $97.7 billion net borrowing need "includes Treasury borrowing to finance Resolution Trust Corp. operations" and "also assumes a $30 billion cash balance at the end of December," Powell said. The RTC is charged with selling the assets of failed savings and loans seized by government regulators.

"The Treasury's October-December borrowing estimate is consistent with (the) Resolution Trust Corp. operating plan," Powell said. "That operating plan was based on the assumption that Congress would act on funding for (fiscal) 1991."

But because Congress did not act on funding before adjourning for the year, the RTC Oversight Board was expected to meet to discuss a new operating plan Thursday and the Treasury Department planned to update its borrowing estimates.

Powell also said that the net borrowing need for the first quarter of 1991 is "in the range of $47 billion to $52 billion," but he noted this estimate does not include the cost of RTC operations.

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#90304u1741 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	329.84	up	0.01	340.98	456.64
Industrial	352.63	unchanged		364.79	443.13
Finance	325.08	up	1.94	335.03	532.62
Insurance	382.54	up	0.88	391.63	534.38
Utility	447.57	off	5.67	467.56	735.63
Bank	236.72	off	0.46	245.58	436.01
Transport	378.12	up	2.85	385.36	476.90

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 144.62 unchanged
Industrial Index 139.56 off 0.01
NASDAQ-100 Index 345.11 off 0.88

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#90304u1747 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Tuesday 345.11 off 0.88.

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#90304u1764 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
CAIRO, Egypt (OCT. 31) UPI - The Arab League, in its most serious crisis since its creation more than four decades ago, returned to its original home base of Cairo Wednesday, but some of its departments remained behind in Tunis.

The Persian Gulf crisis has so divided the League that Arab nations sympathetic to Iraq have protested its return to Cairo, a strong supporter of the U.S.-led efforts against Iraq's Saddam Hussein.

As a compromise to prevent the League from splitting in two, it has been agreed that some of the departments will remain in Tunis with the explanation that construction work on the League building in Cairo is not yet complete, diplomats said.

''The Arab League is resuming its activities from Cairo under the shadow of the most serious crisis since its cration 45 years ago,'' a Cairo-based Arab diplomat said. ''It needs tremendous efforts to enable it to perform its

previous role.''

The Arab League headquarters had been moved from the Egyptian capital to Tunis in 1979 after Egypt signed a peace treaty with Israel, becoming the first Arab country to recognize the Jewish state.

Most of the Arab states broke diplomatic relations with Egypt over the treaty, but ties between Cairo and the Arab world strengthened anew during the 1980-88 war between Iraq and Iran, a non-Arab country.

The decision to return the League headquarters to Cairo was taken before the Gulf crisis. But after the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the decision became more political because Egypt took a hard-line stance toward Iraq while Tunisia did not.

Former League secretary general Chedli Klebi, a Tunisian, resigned when gulf states, particularly Saudi Arabia, criticized his response to the invasion.

When the League met in Cairo last month to formalize the decision to move the headquarters, eight of the 21 members boycotted the meeting to protest the move.

Arab League acting Secretary-General Assad Al-Assad, a Lebanese, arrived in Cairo Tuesday to take up his duties in the League's former headquarters overlooking the Nile. Dozens of other employees have arrived from Tunis capital in recent days - while others have remained in Tunis.

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#90304u1773 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austral	.000185	.000184	5409.00	5448.00
Australia dlr	.7831	.7842	1.2770	1.2752
Austria schill	.0937	.0931	10.67	10.74
Belgium franc-c	.0321	.0319	31.17	31.33
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0099	.0098	100.88	101.56
Britain pound	1.9440	1.9555	.5144	.5114
Britain 1-mo	1.9346	1.9455	.5169	.5140
Britain 3-mo	1.9184	1.9290	.5213	.5184
Britain 6-mo	1.8975	1.9087	.5270	.5239
Canada dollar	.8571	.8576	1.1667	1.1661

Canada 1-mo	.8540	.8544	1.1710	1.1704
Canada 3-mo	.8480	.8484	1.1792	1.1787
Canada 6-mo	.8402	.8405	1.1902	1.1897
Chile peso-f	.003348	.003354	298.71	298.15
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001881	.001883	531.50	531.01
Denmark krne	.1726	.1717	5.7950	5.8250
Ecudr sucre-z	.001182	.001169	846.30	855.08
Egypt pound	.3640	.3640	2.7474	2.7474
Finlnd mrkka	.2772	.2759	3.6080	3.6240
France franc	.1969	.1973	5.0775	5.0690
France 1-mo	.1966	.1970	5.0852	5.0773
France 3-mo	.1960	.1963	5.1017	5.0938
France 6-mo	.1950	.1953	5.1270	5.1200
Greece drach	.006572	.006575	152.16	152.08
Hollnd guildr	.5853	.5860	1.7085	1.7066
HongKong dlr	.1283	.1284	7.7945	7.7885
India rupee	.0555	.0556	18.02	17.99
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000539	1855.00	1854.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7685	1.7640	0.5655	0.5669
Israel shekel	.5074	.5074	1.9710	1.9710
Italy lira	.000880	.000882	1136.00	1134.00
Japan yen	.007686	.007773	130.10	128.65
Japan 1-mo	.007688	.007773	130.08	128.65
Japan 3-mo	.007685	.007791	130.13	128.35
Japan 6-mo	.007675	.007865	130.30	127.15
Jordan dinar	1.5603	1.5603	.6409	.6409
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000345	.000345	2902.00	2902.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6151	.6158	1.6258	1.6239
Norway krne	.1697	.1683	5.8940	5.9410
Pakistn rupee	.0464	.0464	21.56	21.56
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	428,475	431,430
P'pnes peso-z	.0364	.0395	27.51	25.30
Portugl escud	.007526	.007534	132.87	132.73
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5865	.5853	1.7050	1.7085
S.Africa rand	.3963	.3948	2.5236	2.5331
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010526	.010515	95.00	95.10
Sweden krona	.1777	.1774	5.6280	5.6380
Switzrl franc	.7788	.7800	1.2840	1.2820
Switzrl 1-mo	.7787	.7800	1.2842	1.2821
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7784	.7797	1.2847	1.2825
Switzrl 6-mo	.7774	.7788	1.2863	1.2840

Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.78	26.78
Turkey lira	.000364	.000365	2747.00	2737.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0204	.0204	49.07	49.03
Germany mark	.6596	.6605	1.5161	1.5140
Germany 1-mo	.6593	.6603	1.5167	1.5145
Germany 3-mo	.6585	.6595	1.5187	1.5163
Germany 6-mo	.6569	.6579	1.5222	1.5200
Yugosl dinar	.0960	.0959	10.42	10.43

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Former heavyweight champion Mike Tyson committed battery but not assault against a Queens woman who hit the onetime champ with a $3.5 million lawsuit, a Manhattan jury decided Wednesday.

After deliberating for almost five hours, the federal court jury said Tyson must pay $100 in compensatory damages for touching the woman, Sandra Miller Reese, but cleared the onetime champ of Reese's assault claim.

The panel of five women and one man must return to the U.S. District Court in lower Manhattan Thursday morning to decide how much in punitive damages the millionaire boxer must pay the Rosedale mother of two.

Reese filed a $3.5 million civil lawsuit against Tyson, charging he grabbed her breasts and buttucks and threatened to punch her in Bentley's disco on Dec. 10, 1988.

U.S District Judge Michael Mukasey, in his instructions to jurors, had explained that to say Tyson assaulted the woman, ''It is not necessary that there be any contact.

''However, there must be an overt menacing act,'' the judge said. ''Words alone do not constitute an assault.''

The panel was required to reach a unanimous verdict.

Alan Clark, the attorney for the 26-year-old Reese, told the panel before deliberations began that Tyson ''happens to be a boxer whose hands are lethal weapons and who happens to be the heavyweight champion of the world.

''How would you feel under the circumstances?'' he asked the panel. ''Would you be scared... humiliated, if he grabs you, threatens you, curses you? Now you're scared?''

But Tyson's attorney, Robert Hirth, called Reese a money hungry and called her story ''concocted.''

He urged the jury to send Reese a message that if she ''wants to engage in a get-rich-quick scheme, she should buy a lottery ticket.''

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WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - Lower prices for milk, corn and broilers helped depress the farm price index by 0.7 percent this month, despite steer and heifer prices that were the highest ever for an October, the government said Tuesday.

The index is the government's measure of market prices for the crops and livestock produced by the nation's farmers and ranchers. The index has dropped slowly since a July reading of 152 and now stands at 147 - its lowest reading of the year.

Most grain prices fell during October, reflecting the fall harvest and the continuing wheat glut. Wheat prices slipped to $2.39 a bushel, down seven cents from September and $1.36 lower than October 1989.

"Decreases in the prices of broilers, milk, corn and apples were partially offset by higher prices for hogs, tomatoes, strawberries, and eggs," the Agriculture Department said. "The steer and heifer price was at a record high for October."

Slaughter steers and heifers averaged $79.30 per 100 pounds for the month, up 50 cents from September. The average was $6 above the mark recorded the preceding October. Hog prices averaged $56.90 for October, up $2.60 from September and $10.30 higher than the same month in 1989.

Agriculture Department economists recently said the strong cattle and hog prices were a result of fewer animals being sent to slaughter, although at heavier weights.

Milk prices were down 60 cents per 100 pounds from September to average $13.60 in October. The price was $1.20 below October 1989. Milk production collapsed unexpectedly last fall, pushing prices to record highs.

Corn prices dropped 17 cents from September to average $2.15 a bushel. Sorghum was down 48 cents to $3.47 per 100 pounds. Oats, rice and durum wheat, however were up - durum by 14 cents a bushel to average $2.53. Broiler prices fell

6.2 cents during October for an average of 29 cents a pound. Eggs sold for 73.5 cents a dozen, up five cents from September.

Fresh strawberries zoomed 40 cents a pound to reach an average of 95 cents in October. Apple prices were down slightly, to 19.4 cents a pound, compared to 24.5 cents in September.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 416.81 up 0.01 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90304u1830 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - British military sources say Iraq has created a 150-mile-long belt of mines, wire fences and tank-traps in occupied Kuwait. And the commander of British forces in the Gulf, Air Chief Marshall Sir Patrick Hine says it is looking ''increasingly unlikely'' that Iraq will withdraw from Kuwait.

President Bush today said he's ''had it'' with Saddam Hussein, but does NOT feel pressured to launch militay action against Iraq. Bush expressed concern for the U-S diplomats who are defying an Iraqi order to close the U-S Embassy in Kuwait.

Citicorp, one the nation's biggest banks, says some two-thousand middle-level employees will have been laid off by the end of the year. The bank has already fired between 600 and 700 workers in an austerity plan started five months ago as corporate finance business declined and real estate loans went bad.

The Coast Guard says the body of a fourth worker has been discovered under a charred gas well in Grand Isle, Louisiana, 30 miles south of New Orleans. Workers were capping the abandoned well when it exploded yesterday afternoon. A fifth worker is still missing and a sixth was in critical condition.

University of Michigan researchers say that for the first time scientists have used gene therapy to lower cholestrol in animals. The procedure could lead to new treatments for hardening of the arteries and liver disease. One in every Million Americans has a genetic defect that prevents the liver from clearing a form of artery-clogging cholesterol.

The Families U-S-A Foundation is calling on the Bush administration to take bold action to control the nation's health costs, which are projected to hit

one-point-four-TRILLION dollars by the year 2000. The NON-profit senior citizen lobby says 1990 health costs are two and one- half times what they were a decade ago.

What do Tom Cruise and White House Chief of Staff John Sununu have in common? Both the matinee idol and the administration gate-keeper are on the list of 10 best-dressed shorter men in the United States. The list is put out by a Cleveland retail and mail order clothing company.

Once again the great magician Harry Houdini has failed to reach out from the great beyond. Magicians held their annual Halloween seance at a hotel in Salem Massachusetts, to try to contract the spirit of the departed escape artist who died in 1926. Houdini NEVER said he'd come back from the dead, but said that if anyone could, he would.

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#90304u1831 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - The Dow industrials closed slightly lower Wednesday after moving in the opposite direction of oil prices all session, ending in the minus column after a late rise in the oil market.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 17.82 Tuesday, fell 5.69 to close at 2442.33.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index edged up 0.09 to 166.17 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index lost 0.06 to 304.00. The price of an average share inched up one cent.

In composite trading, advances nosed out declines 744-737 among the 1,953 issues traded. Big Board volume totaled 156,060,000 shares, up from 153,450,000 traded Tuesday.

Stocks seesawed throughout the session, moving inversely to oil prices which are an inflation indicator. When oil turned higher near the close, stocks fell but closed off their lows thanks to a late bout of program buying.

Analysts said one factor keeping oil prices down during the day was a statement by Iraq's ambassador to the United States Wednesday in which he urged a negotiated solution to the crisis. But technical factors pushed oil higher in late trading. "We followed oil pretty much," said Dale Tills, manager of institutional equity trading at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco.

"The market rallied in the morning on better movement in Treasury bonds, oil was off a little bit, and there was a decent feeling about interest rates (after the Federal Reserve's move to lower short-term rates slightly on Tuesday)," Tills said. "But we didn't get any follow through and when oil

started to come back there wasn't any volume to support the market's gains and it sold off," he said.

He added, though, that even in the market's decline Wednesday he did not see aggressive selling. "If we can maintain the Dow above 2400, we might get a rally, but it's still a tenuous situation."

Tills said that while the market continued to follow movements in oil prices for their inflationary and economic implications, it seemed to be tiring of the endless stream of headlines about the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

"There's just so much garbage out about the Mideast, you can't look to make any reaction to what anyone is saying," he said. "There's just a lot of rhetoric, nothing to really grasp hold of."

But he said the market may be poised for a move higher if additional evidence of economic weakness prompts the Fed to let rates fall further and if oil prices remain relatively stable.

"We're watching rates, watching oil, and if we see some conviction on rallies, if we get a decent 'up' day with 180 million shares," said Tills, "we could jump quickly."

On the trading floor, Alcan Aluminum was the most active issue, off 1/4 to 18 5/8.

Chase Manhattan followed, off 1/4 to ten. Another big bank, Citicorp, was actively traded, unchanged at 11 1/4. It expected to lay off about 2,000 middle-ranked employees by year's end. Unisys was third, off 1/4 to 2 1/4.

Among the blue chips, Philip Morris rose 3/8 to 47 1/8, AT&T gained 1/4 to 34, while IBM fell 7/8 to 105 1/2, General Electric slid 3/4 to 52, and Merck tumbled 1 7/8 to 76 7/8.

Eastman Kodak jumped 1 1/4 to 39 3/4 after reporting a third-quarter loss of $206 million that included a $909.5 million charge to cover a Polaroid patent litigation judgment handed down recently against Kodak.

And General Motors added 1/8 to 36 3/4 after posting a $2 billion loss for the third quarter because of a special charge of $2.1 billion taken to close four U.S. assembly plants that were previously classified as "indefinitely idled."

Some of the big losers included Del-Val Financial, which slumped one to 2 3/4, a third of its value. The financially troubled real estate investment trust has suspended all dividends.

Kellogg plunged 3 1/8 to 68 1/2. The company said Tuesday it would be more conservative in raising prices on its major products, citing competition.

Tyco Labs plummeted 5 5/8 to 38 3/8 after analysts were said to cut earnings estimates and First Brands sank 3 1/2 to 15 1/8. Major shareholders ended talks with prospective acquirers.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 191,313,860 shares, compared with 189,571,140 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in light trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index slipped 0.28 to close at 287.79. Declines led advances 281-246 among the 764 issues traded. The price of an average share lost one cent. Composite volume totaled 10,968,550 shares vs. 12,368,450 traded Tuesday.

Continental Airlines Holdings led the Amex issues, down 1/4 to 3 1/4. Analysts could not cite a reason for the unusual activity in the stock Tuesday and Wednesday.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index inched up 0.01 to close at 329.84.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affliated Fund	8.91	9.55
Anchor Fund Inv	13.80	14.64
Delaware Mutual	16.19	17.36
Fidelity Fund	15.64	15.64
Investors Mutual	10.39	10.94
Investors Stocks	17.26	18.17
Investors Select	8.27	8.71
IDS Equity Plus	8.38	8.82
MFS Growth Stock	7.54	8.13
Nicholas Income	3.04	3.04
United Accumulated	5.87	6.42
United Income	15.48	16.92
Vanguard Wellington	15.37	15.37

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(OCT. 31) UPI - LIST: VOTING FOR NATIONAL LEAGUE MANAGER OF THE YEAR

(First-votes in parentheses, total points)

Jim Leyland, Pittsburgh (17) 99 points.
Lou Piniella, Cincinnati (3) 49.

Buck Rodgers, Montreal	(3)	32.
Tommy Lasorda, Los Angeles	(1)	32.
Roger Craig, San Francisco		2.
Bud Harrelson, New York		2.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Jim Leyland, who guided the Pittsburgh Pirates to their first division title since 1979, Wednesday was named National League Manager of the Year by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

Leyland received 17 of the 24 first-place votes cast by a BBWAA committee comprised of two beat writers from each National League city. He finished with 99 points, far outdistancing Lou Piniella of the champion Cincinnati Reds.

Pittsburgh, hurt by injuries, finished fifth in the NL East in 1989. This season, with a healthy everyday lineup and key pitching from Doug Drabek and Zane Smith, Pittsburgh won the division over the heavily favored New York Mets. The Pirates lost in six games to the Reds in the playoffs.

Leyland, 45, was a catcher and career minor-leaguer in the Detroit organization. He then managed 11 years in the minors for the Tigers before being named third-base coach of the Chicago White Sox under current Oakland manager Tony La Russa.

He was named manager of the Pirates in 1985 after four years as a White Sox coach. Leyland took over a team in Pittsburgh that finished 57-104 the previous season, was wracked by a drug scandal and beset by fan apathy.

In Leyland's first season at Pittsburgh, the Pirates finished last a third straight year. They tied for fourth the next year, then challenged the Mets in 1988 and ended up second.

Piniella received three first-place votes and 49 points, while Montreal's Buck Rodgers and Tommy Lasorda of the Los Angeles Dodgers tied for third with 32 points. Rodgers received three first-place votes and Lasorda topped the final ballot.

San Francisco's Roger Craig and Bud Harrelson of the New York Mets were the only other managers named. No manager was named on all 24 ballots, which were cast at the end of the regular season.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - Heavy rain and chilly temperatures put a damper on Halloween in the Northwest Wednesday and snow at higher elevations prompted winter storm

warnings in some areas.

More than 2 inches of rain soaked North Bend, Ore., Wednesday morning. More than 1 inch fell at Shelter Cover, Calif.; 0.75 inches at Tacoma, Wash.; and 0.68 inches at Mullan, Idaho. Afternoon temperatures in the Northwest were in the 40s and 50s.

The rainfall continued a day after a record 2.75 inches of rain doused Eugene Ore., shattering the previous record of 1.07 inches set in 1956. In Portland, 0.59 inches of rain fell at Portland International Airport Tuesday, breaking a 50-year-old record of 0.50 inches.

Snow was falling in the mountains of Utah, Montana, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon and northern California.

Winter storm warnings were posted for the mountain passes of northwest Montana where as much as 1 foot of snow was forecast.

Sunny skies prevailed in the Central United States. Afternoon temperatures were in the 70s from the southern and central Plains to the middle Mississippi Valley, with readings in the lower 80s in southern Texas. A reading of 79 degrees broke a record for the day in Kansas City.

Readings were mostly in the 50s and 60s from the upper Great Lakes to the northern Plains. Blustery northwest winds continued over New England and temperatures were only in the upper 40s and 50s.

Afternoon temperatures were mostly in the 70s across the Southeast with lower 80s across Florida.

Morning fog in Chicago Wednesday delayed flights at O'Hare International Airport as long as 90 minutes. City aviation spokeswoman Lisa Howard said no flights were allowed to land between 6:45 a.m. and 7:45 a.m. because of poor visibility. Five United Airlines flights were diverted to Milwaukee and another to Indianapolis.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock Split				
Balchem Corp - 5-for-4				
Increased				
Balchem Corp	A	.04	12-28	12-3

Entergy Corp	Q	.30	12-3	11-16
Exxon Corp	Q	.67	12-10	11-12
Houghton Mifflin Co	Q	.18 1/2	11-28	11-14
Lukens Inc	Q	.37	11-23	11-12
Provident Life	Q	.23	12-10	11-30
Wrigley (Wm) Jr	Q	.25	2-1	1-15
Extra				
Wrigley (Wm) Jr	..	.62	12-31	12-17
Usual				
Amax Gold Inc	Q	.02	11-30	11-15
Asarco Inc	Q	.40	12-3	11-15
Bethlehem Steel	Q	.10	12-10	11-12
Chevron Corp	Q	.77 1/2	12-10	11-13
Commercial Intertech	Q	.17	12-14	11-30
Comptek Research Inc	Q	.05	11-29	11-12
Eagle Financial Corp	Q	.13	12-3	11-15
Kemper High Income Tr	M	.10	12-3	11-15
Kemper Interm Govt Tr	M	.0734	12-3	11-15
Kemper Muni Income Tr	M	.07 1/4	12-3	11-15
Kemper Multi-Mkt Incm	M	.117	12-3	11-15
Kemper Strat Muni Incm	M	.07 1/2	12-3	11-15
McGraw-Hill Inc	Q	.54	12-12	11-28
McKesson Corp	Q	.40	1-2	12-3
Newell Co	Q	.12 1/2	12-3	11-15
Transco Energy Co	Q	.34	12-3	11-12
United Technologies	Q	.45	12-10	11-21

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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MIAMI (OCT. 31) UPI - The chairman of American Savings and Loan Association, one of Florida's largest thrifts, resigned Wednesday, two days after regulators admonished the thrift about loan transactions with its largest shareholder.

Stephen Lazovitz, a member of the thrift's board of directors, was named chairman and acting chief executive officer to replace departing Chairman Harris C. Friedman. Vice Chairman Edward Mahoney was named president and chief operating officer.

Friedman was appointed chairman and chief executive officer of the thrift in April 1988 after the institution was acquired by Enstar Group Inc., formerly known as Kinder Care Inc., of Montgomery, Ala.

Enstar currently owns 50 percent of American Savings.

The thrift said Friedman's departure was triggered by the receipt this week of a supervisory directive from the Office of Thrift Supervision. The connection between the directive, which was dated Monday, and Friedman's resignation was unclear.

In the directive, federal regulators objected to a $210 million note issued in late December 1989 by Enstar to American Savings in exchange for the thrift's high yield stock portfolio, Mahoney said.

Enstar has made payments to American Savings on the note, but still owes the thrift $175 million. The transaction left American Savings without any ''quote 'junk bonds,''' Mahoney said.

Thrift regulators instructed American Savings and Enstar to amend some of its loan documents and security agreements. Moves, Mahone said, that ''actually strengthen American Savings' position in the loan. We are working on it day and night.''

Regulators also asked American Savings to consent to a cease and desist order blocking the institution from undertaking any unsafe or unsound transactions with Enstar. The thrift said it was working to comply with the directive and proposed order.

American Savings, which has assets of $4.87 billion, said it continued to meet all regulatory capital requirements. The thrift operates 55 banking offices in Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, Pinellas, Hernando and Pasco counties.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's call for a peaceful Arab solution to the Persian Gulf crisis was scorned Wednesday by Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, but Gorbachev's troubleshooter apparently muddied the waters by declaring Gorbachev would not oppose force, provided Soviet forces did not fight.

President Bush warned that he had ''had it'' with Iraq's treatment of American hostages in the Middle East, many of them deployed as human shields to thwart allied attacks on key Iraqi installations.

Also Wednesday, Iraq's ambassador to the United States urged a negotiated solution to the crisis and accused the CIA of conspiring with Kuwait to destroy Iraq long before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. The CIA denied it.

Gorbachev told reporters in Paris Monday a military option to drive Iraq out of Kuwait was unacceptable and Arabs should solve the crisis themselves.

That put him at odds with U.S. and British policy, which follows the military option as laid out in the U.N. charter as a last resort if Iraqi President Saddam Hussein refuses to pull his troops from Kuwait.

But then Soviet signals got mixed. Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov was quoted Wednesday as saying Moscow would not oppose force to get Iraq out of Kuwait, but the Soviets would not be part of it.

''If all peace efforts are exhausted, the Soviet Union will not oppose a military solution, but we are definitely not going to take part in any fighting,'' Primakov told the Egyptian leftist opposition daily Al Ahali.

Gorbachev earlier quoted Primakov, after the latter's second meeting with Saddam, as saying he detected a softening of Saddam's stance.

Primakov indicated Soviet reluctance to a military option is not only related to fears a war could spread to its southern borders, especially if Iran became involved, but that the balance of power between Arabs and Israel would change.

''Any war in the gulf will bring catastrophies and would disrupt the balance of power between Arabs and non-Arabs,'' would freeze the Palestinian issue ''for many years to come'' and halt the flow of oil from the region ''for months and perhaps years,'' he said.

Mubarak, in commenting on Gorbachev's initial position, previous Arab summits called to deal with the crisis achieved nothing but bad feelings and another one without a specific agenda would become an exercise in invective.

''The Arab countries have tried a lot and we're still trying. If these (Soviet) proposals call for a peaceful solution then it should be borne in mind that there isn't a big or small country, Arab or Western, which doesn't want a peaceful solution,'' he told reporters in Cairo.

''If we call for an Arab summit and there is no clear vision for that summit, then it will be a summit of insults and we cannot accept that.''

Mubarak challenged Gorbachev to make specific proposals for an Arab solution and pointed out Gorbachev's own envoy, Primakov came away empty in two meetings with Saddam.

''If there is a (Soviet) call for an Arab summit, then we want to ask if the Soviet mediator has achieved any specific result, so the summit can be held to discuss this,'' Mubarak said.

Mubarak's Foreign Minister, Esmat Abdel Meguid, flew to Saudi Arabia to discuss Gorbachev's position with his Syrian and Saudi counterparts. Syria, like Egypt, has sent troops to the gulf to deter further Iraqi aggression.

Iraq's ambassador to the United States, Mohamed Al-Mashat, told a news conference in Washington that the United States and Kuwait conspired against Iraq before the invasion. He cited what he said was a memo recovered from Kuwaiti security forces written by Brigadier Al- Fahd, director of Kuwaiti security, and detailing a conversation with CIA Director William Webster in Washington in November 1989. Also at the meeting was a Colonel Shadad, a key aide to Al-Fahd.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - The Trump Organization may not be able to pay $47.3 interest due Nov. 15 on $675 million in bonds issued to build the Taj Mahal Casino in Atlantic City, an American Stock Exchange official said Wednesday.

The announcement was the latest blow to the highly leveraged real estate and casino empire of tottering dealmaker Donald J. Trump.

A Trump Organization spokeswoman could offer no details. ''I really don't have anything to add,'' she said. ''We can't say yes or no or maybe, yet.''

A spokesman for investors holding a third of the high-risk, ''junk'' bond issue said talks on converting some debt into an equity participation in the Casino, which opened in April, continued - but without success.

''We are continuing to talk to Trump,'' said Robert Miller, a partner with the law firm of Berlack, Israels & Liberman. He said the Amex decision indicated ''that in all likelihood Trump will default on the bonds Nov. 15.''

Trump wants to make that and future payments by issuing more bonds, lowering the interest rate to 9 percent from 14 percent, and delaying repayment by two years. But the investors want more than the 19.9 percent stake he has offered.

An economic slowdown has bit into Atlantic City gambling activity and casino revenues haven't met Trump's debt obligations. In June Trump avoided default on bonds for another casino with a $65 million bank bailout.

Exchange Assistant Vice President Robert Shabazian said trading in the bonds was halted at 2:37 p.m. Wednesday. As of Thursday the bonds were to be traded on a flat basis - taking into account the unpaid interest.

''If you're buying these bonds, you're buying them with the knowledge you may or may not get the accrued interest,'' Shabazian said. ''At least you know there is a doubt, a question'' as to whether it will be paid.

When trading was halted the Taj Mahal bonds were going at 26 1/2, meaning they were worth $265 for every $1,000 face value.

Shabazian said that as a matter of course the exchange contacts companies in advance of the interest due date, to confirm there will be no problems. In the case of the Trump bonds, there was some uncertainty.

''They said they may be able to pay the interest, but by today we hadn't heard definitely whether they could be able to pay,'' Shabazian said. So the Amex put the bonds on the flat list, where they will stay for two years.

There the Taj bonds will join two other Trump issues, related to the troubled Trump's Castle Casino, which arrived there June 15. Four consecutive interest payments must be made for a bond to exit the list, Shabazian said.

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DETROIT (OCT. 31) UPI - Industry analysts applauded Wednesday the $2.1 billion writeoff taken by General Motors Corp. during the third quarter to formally close four U.S. assembly plants - but Wall Street yawned.

GM's $1 and 2/3 common stock rose only 12.5 cents, closing at $36.75 a share on the New York Stock Exchange. Trading was just a tick above normal, at 1.7 million shares.

''It was a big yawn here,'' said industry analyst David Healy of New York investment firm Barclays Bank, who attended a financial briefing with GM's top financial brass in New York Wednesday to discuss the company's latest earnings. ''Wall Street was underwhelmed.''

Jay Leopold, of Legg Mason Wood Walker Inc. in Baltimore, was another who attended.

''While GM's third-quarter profits were worse than expected, the breadth of the cost cutting was better than expected,'' he said.

Without the writeoff, GM would have earned just $109 million, or 2 cents a share on its $1 and 2/3 common stock, down from $517 million, or 72 cents a share, in the year-ago third quarter. Including the writeoff, GM posted a loss of $3.54 on its $1 and 2/3 common stock.

GM told analysts the plant closings, as well as the closing or consolidation of several other manufacturing or warehousing operations during the next three years, could mean an annual pre-tax savings of at least $1 billion by 1995 because of lower fixed costs and a reduced workforce.

GM also told analysts the closings of those four idled assembly plants - its Fiero car plant in Pontiac, Mich.; Leeds plant near Kansas City, Mo.; Framingham, Mass., plant and Lakewood plant near Atlanta - will allow it to

reduce its workforce by about 40,000 workers who were on indefinite layoff.

About half of those workers could officially leave GM's workforce within six months, in addition to about 20,000 workers a year leaving GM under normal attrition.

That means that despite the expensive job and income security guarantees in its recently signed contracts with the United Auto Workers union, about 100,000 workers will leave by 1993 ''without GM actually firing anybody,'' Healy said. That means the auto giant's workforce will shrink to under 200,000 workers.

''That is their goal,'' Healy said. ''It has been clear that GM for some time has had too many plants and too many people.''

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CLEVELAND (OCT. 31) UPI - Proponents of a statewide ballot proposing a change in the state Constitution to allow Lorain, Ohio residents to vote whether they want a casino in their city alleged Wednesday that lies are being spread by the horse racing industry.

Yes on Issue 3, a campaign committee financed primarily by Lorain developer Alan Spitzer, unveiled a new television commercial sharply criticizing allegations being made by the horse racing industry through a group called Ohioans Against Casino Gambling.

One commercial being aired by Ohioans Against Casino Gambling shows a map of Ohio with casino signs popping up throughout the state.

''They use the oldest tricks in the book - scare tactics and half- truths,'' Lorain resident Jack LaVriha says in the latest pro-casino commercial. ''Forget their phony ads. Read Issue 3.

''It doesn't authorize even one resort casino. It just gives people the right to vote on it later. These guys are lying to us,'' LaVriha says. ''They even tried to hide who was paying for their deceptive ads. Don't believe this (a statement showing paid for by Ohioans Against Casino Gambling). Look who is really behind it. Let's vote yes on Issue 3.''

The commericial shows a picture of a newspaper story detailing how the race tracks and companies and individuals closely associated with horse racing have donated $947,899.20 to the anti-casino campaign. Documents filed with the secretary of state's office last Thursday showed those donations represented nearly the entire budget of the anti- casino group.

''They are afraid of the competition,'' said Karen Kapler, campagin manager

for the pro-casino group. ''Historically race tracks have fought any measure they see as competition not just here but in all states.''

The issue, if approved statewide Nov. 6, would allow Lorain residents to vote whether to permit a casino to operate in Lorain on a trial basis. After three years, the Ohio General Assembly would have the authority to close the casino if it is not considered a success.

If the pilot project is considered a success, the state would be divided into seven casino districts, with one casino permitted to open in each district. Approval would also be required by both voters in the district as a whole and the local community where it is to be located.

''If the amendment is approved, the process is set in motion for those casino districts to be carved out of the state of Ohio,'' said Karen Wilkins, a spokeswoman for the anti-casino group.

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NEW YORK (OCT. 31) UPI - Prosecutors, filing their final argument Wednesday in the presentencing hearing of Michael Milken, said their evidence refuted defense claims the former junk-bond king's crimes were ''isolated, largely motiveless and committed reluctantly and at the behest of others.''

In a 40-page memorandum filed with U.S. District Court Judge Kimba Wood, the government asked the defendant be sentenced to a ''substantial term of imprisonment.''

Prosecutors argued testimony given during the two-week hearing ''revealed that Milken committed crimes as part of a pattern of deceptive and unlawful practices undertaken by him and others at his direction for the purpose of consolidating market power and obtaining financial gain.

''The hearing demonstrated that, when faced with discovery of his unlawful practices, Milken engaged in serious and deliberate efforts to obstruct justice,'' the government said.

Milken's defense attorneys presented their memorandum Tuesday. The presentencing hearing for Milken, the former head of Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc.'s junk-bond department who pleaded guilty to six counts of securities fraud in April, ended last week.

Wood may hand down her sentence on Milken, who faces a maximum jail term of 28 years, as early as next week.

The judge had ordered the hearing to determine if Milken had been involved in a broad conspiracy to manipulate the financial markets, as the government

alleged, or had broken the law in a few isolated cases to help clients, as his attorneys claimed.

''Evidence establishes that Michael Milken committed serious crimes in addition to his admitted crimes,'' the government's footnote-laden document said.

At the hearing, the government focused on financial transactions involving securities of three companies: Wickes Co., acquired in leveraged buyout in 1986; Storer Communications Inc., acquired in a 1985 leveraged buyout; and Caesars World Inc.

Specifically, the goverment alleged that Milken engaged in stock manipulation and bribery and that he ordered traders to purchase Caesars World bonds after getting advance word that an exchange offer for the bonds would be announced.

The exchange offer sharply increased the value of the bonds.

Milken's attorneys, in their memorandum, conceded the price of Wickes stock was manipulated prior to the company's April 1986 buyout, but they said the government failed to prove Milken had been involved in the manipulation.

The defense also questioned the credibility of several witnesses called by the government.

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#90304u2016 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - The State Department says economic sanctions are beginning to have a serious impact on the civilian economy in Iraq, but they are NOT having any real impact on President Saddam Hussein and his behavior. A State Department spokeswoman says the economic blockade has cut 97 percent of Iraqi oil exports, costing the nation about two and one-half-BILLION dollars a month in lost revenue. She says the freezing of Iraqi assets has severely limited Iraq's ability to pay for imports, even if it can find a nation willing to circumvent the restrictions.

President Bush today told reporters that he has ''had it'' with the Iraqi treatment of American diplomats in the U-S Embassy in Kuwait City. The Embassy is surrounded by Iraqi troops and food, water and electricity have been cut off. Bush blasted Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein but still added that he would NOT allow the plight of the hostages to become what he termed a ''pretext'' for war.

The Commerce Department issued a couple of reports today that do NOT contain great news for the economy. Personal income of Americans climbed one-half of one percent in September... but personal spending soared one and one-half percent. The income gain was about as much as expected but the spending figure

is much higher... apparently because of higher oil prices resulting from the Persian Gulf crisis. Factory orders climbed just one-tenth of one percent in September... the weakest performance since June.

Americans across the nation are celebrating Halloween tonight with parties and trick-or-treating. Festivities range from revels in historic Georgetown near Washington, D-C... a glittery parade in Greenwich Village in New York City... and a party for homeless children in Detroit. Millions of children will be scampering from door to door to collect tons of candy, though in some cities dentists will be paying them NOT to eat it.

About 35-thousand volunteers will patrol streets in Detroit to try to prevent the arson fires that have become an unwelcome addition to the Halloween season in the city. Youngsters in Motown must get their trick- or-treating in early because a 6 p-m to 6 a-m curfew is in effect for unescorted youths.

Eye experts at a meeting in Atlanta say laser surgery that blasts away microscopic bits of the cornea could someday place glasses and contact lenses. The doctors said the surgery re-shapes the cornea, the outer part of the eye that acts as a lens. They say the procedure has been tested on about 300 patients in the United States and about 18- hundred world-wide.

Crusading columnist Jack Newfield resigned from the New York Daily News today, saying he could NOT ''in good conscience'' work for a newspaper whose owners were bent on crushing unions. Newfield says he handed in his resignation from his 90-thousand-dollar-a-year job this afternoon, as a bitter strike entered its sixth week.

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#90304u2023 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (OCT. 31) UPI - Redoubt Volcano, which ended its almost regular weekly eruptions six months ago, has begun steaming and emitting small amounts of ash, the Alaska Volcano Observatory reported Wednesday.

Steam plumes containing ash have begun rising from the crater vent several times daily, but the ash in the small, weak plumes was falling onto the flanks of the 10,197-foot mountain southeast of Anchorage, geologist Tina Neal said. No populated areas were hit or threatened by ash.

Redoubt exploded violently last December, after nearly a quarter- century of slumber, and then went into an almost weekly eruptive phase that stopped as suddenly as it began.

Tiny earthquakes have rumbled beneath the mountain ever since the last eruption April 21, and Neal said seismic activity was continuing with few tremors greater than magnitude 1 on the Richter scale.

Despite Redoubt's apparent reawakening, scientists believe the volcano might be entering a period of quiescence and that the steam may be coming from ice and snow tumbling from the edge of the crater into the vents.

Once inside the super-heated mountain, the melted ice boils up and steams out in a plume that picks up ash from inside the volcano, Neal said.

Volcano observers carefully referred to the activity as ''steaming events,'' not eruptions.

Steaming began with the season's first snow in August, but only in the last few days have the steam plumes contained ash, according to the volcano observatory, a joint project of the University of Alaska Geophysical Institute the U.S. Geological Survey and the state Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys.

Since the frequency and magnitude of earthquakes have not increased, Neal said ''We don't interpret this as anything grand coming in the future.''

Gas emissions from the volcano, another telltale sign of volcanic activity, were down, but the volcano's internal plumbing system may be plugged up, Neal suggested. However, if that were the case, scientists would notice increased pressure building inside the mountain.

A team of geologists flew to the mountain Wednesday to measure the amount of ash emitted and to learn more about Redoubt's behavior. Neal said they were in no danger.

Seismic monitoring equipment on Redoubt is connected to a computerized alarm system capable of notifying geologists in Anchorage and Fairbanks of increased seismic activity.

During some of Redoubt's eruptions earlier this year, Anchorage and other areas were hit by ash, which turned skies black, grounded airlines, triggered health warnings that kept school children inside, and which coated everything with sharp volcanic grit. Even an oil terminal across Cook Inlet from Anchorage was shut down by Redoubt's eruptions.

No new warnings have been isssued and, despite the ashy steam plumes, scientists said there was no indication Redoubt was getting ready to blow its top again.

Redoubt is 110 miles southwest of Anchorage in Lake Clark National Park. It is one of about 60 active volcanoes in Alaska, the northern edge of the so-called Ring of Fire, a circle of active volcanoes rimming the Pacific.

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#90304u2029 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
ANAHEIM, CA (OCT. 31) UPI - Verteq Inc., one of the nation's largest suppliers of quartz products to the semiconductor industry, said Wednesday that it has sold its quartz division to Heraeus Amersil Inc. for an undisclosed price.

The sale includes six Verteq facilities employing about 130 employees in Tempe Ariz.; Dallas; Fremont, Calif.; Brea, Calif.; Fairfield, N.J. and Munich, Germany.

The quartz products include chambers, tubes and rods that are used in the fabrication of the silicon wafers that become computer ''chips'' or semiconductors, the processing units for computers.

Quartz is used in those processes because of its purity and ability to withstand high temperatures, said Keith Norby, chairman and chief executive officer of privately held Verteq, of Anaheim, Calif.

Norby said that Verteq, Heraeus Amersil and Quartz International, a unit of Japanese industrial giant Toshiba, are the leading producers of quartz products for use in the semiconductor industry.

Norby said it was selling the unit to Heraeus Amersil, of Duluth, Ga., in order to focus on its process systems division, which produces cleaning and drying equipment for the semiconductor industry.

The process systems unit has facilities in Anaheim and Rochester, N.Y., and employs about 150 people.

''This sale will enable Verteq to build on the success of its rapidly growing Process Systems Division,'' Norby said. ''We are focusing our resources on the continued development and refinement of our existing product line, as well as upgrading manufacturing facilities and expanding marketing efforts in the U.S. Asia and Europe.''

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#90304u2038 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (OCT. 31) UPI - Britain's Queen Elizabeth II plans to visit the United States next spring, the White House said Wednesday.

Press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, will accompany the queen to the nation's capital in May.

The exact date of her visit has not been announced.

The queen visited the United States during the Reagan administration, visiting the West Coast. She also visited America during the Ford administration.

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#90304u2046 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
(OCT 31) UPI - Halloween revelers paraded through New York's Greenwich Village and jammed Washington's historic Georgetown under the watchful eyes of beefed-up police patrols, while costumed homeless children in Detroit bobbed for apples and pinned the tail on the donkey in a traditional party.

Tons of candy delighted trick-or-treating children. Some dentists counter attacked, promising to to pay for candy not consumed by kids.

Two days after a fully mobilized police force struggled to keep order at a Ku Klux Klan rally and counter demonstration, Washington police Wednesday geared up to handle an anticipated invasion of the city's fashionable Georgetown district.

Police and business associations urged revelers to stay away from narrow sidewalks and crowded streets. Shopkeepers were asked to close early.

''We're trying to tone down Halloween festivities here in Georgetown, '' businessman Peter Armato said.

''Everyone's welcome in Georgetown but it's gotten so crowded on Halloween that customers can't even get into bars and restaurants,'' he said. ''A lot of (proprietors) have said because of congestion in the past, Halloween has not been a very profitable day for sales.''

Thousands were expected to jam New York's annual Greenwich Village Halloween Parade spectacle Wednesday night. The tradition is to wear outrageous costumes.

Among the early arrivals at New York's Halloween parade were children dressed as spiders and monkeys, and a trio of adults who had done themselves up as the city's best-known love triangle, Donald and Ivana Trump, and Marla Maples.

The Marla look-alike deadpanned, ''I'm not here with Ivana... I'm here with Donald.'' The Ivana clone said she was ''here to show New Yorkers that I am an honorable woman.''

In Huntington, on New York's Long Island, the pre-school kids stole a march on other trick or treaters, hitting houses on their block as early as noon.

Four-year-old Mark Schneider, dressed in brown and green as one of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, was raring to go.

''I like chocolate,'' he said. ''I know what to say - trick or treat, smell my feet and give me something good to eat.''

In Los Angeles, supposedly safer alternatives to traditional Halloween trick-or-treating abounded, with shopping malls, city officials and politicians handing out goodies to keep kids off the streets at night.

Safety also was on the minds of police who for the second year warned would-be revelers to stay away from the traditional Halloween street party in Hollywood where vandals, looters and other rowdies rampaged in 1987, prompting a massive police response ever since.

In Detroit, a special Halloween party was arranged for 250 homeless children ages 2 through 14 with transportation provided by businesses and private citizens.

''We're going to provide them with costumes, candy and toys,'' said Bob Thornton, director of economic development of New Detroit, Inc., and the coordinator of the ''Halloween Party for the Homeless.''

Besides the candy, costumes and food, the children were to receive $25 gift certificates, redeemable at area retail stores, he said.

The children, who range in age from 2 to 16, played games such as pin the tail on the donkey and bobbed for apples, Thornton said.

There was an unwanted tradition in Detroit as well - the torching of buildings.

Despite an army of volunteers patrolling streets, dozens of Devil's Night arson fires lighted the sky in scattered sections of the city Tuesday night, destroying some houses.

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#90304u2054 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (OCT. 31) UPI - Notre Dame nose tackle Chris Zorich, for the second straight year, was named Wednesday as one of four finalists for the Lombardi Award, given to college football's top lineman.

Illinois nose tackle Moe Gardner, Miami defensive tackle Russell Maryland and Auburn defensive tackle David Rocker were also named as finalists for the 21st Lombardi Award, to be presented Dec. 6 in Houston.

Zorich was a finalist for last year's award, won by Michigan State linebacker Percy Snow. Rocker's older brother, Tracy, won the Lombardi Award in 1988. All four of the 1990 finalists are seniors.

The award has been presented to college football's top lineman since 1970 in honor of Vince Lombardi, the former coaching great who died of cancer in 1970. Ohio State's Jim Stillwagon was the first winner.

The four finalists were chosen from a list of 12 players by a nationwide committee of college coaches, sports writers and sportscasters.

Zorich, who suffered a partially dislocated kneecap last weekend and will miss this week's game against Navy, is captain of the Notre Dame defense. The 6-foot-1, 266-pounder is from Chicago and would be the third player from Notre Dame to win the award.

Should Rocker win, he would not only be the second person from his family to win, but only the second player from Auburn. The 6-4, 264- pound Rocker, from Atlanta, anchors the Tigers' defense which currently is ranked among the top 10 in the nation against the run and in total defense.

His brother Tracy now plays for the Washington Redskins.

The 6-2, 258-pound Gardner, from Indianapolis, was an all-Big Ten selection as a sophomore and junior. He has excellent quickness and has recorded at least one tackle-for-loss in 19 of his last 20 games. He was nominated for the award last year. No player from Illinois has ever won the Lombardi Award.

Maryland, also from Chicago, had a career-high 20 tackles against Notre Dame earlier this year. The 6-3, 273-pounder, who was the second- leading tackler on the nation's best defensive line last year, has made 64 tackles this year with six sacks. He also would be the first player from his school to win the Lombardi.

The award is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Houston, which donates proceeds from the Lombardi Dinner to the American Cancer Society. Proceeds from past dinners have totaled more than $1.3 million.

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#90304u2069 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - The Air Force is delaying the scheduled November 9th launch of the shuttle Atlantis on a secret military mission. Sources say there's NOTHING wrong with the shuttle, but that problems have cropped up with its cargo, which is believed to be a spy satellite. The Air Force says it is delaying the mission to resolve problems discovered during testing of the payload. The sources say the launch could be pushed back two weeks or more.

President Bush says he's ''had it'' with Iraq's treatment of American hostages. The president's tough talk came during a campaign trip to suburban Virginia where he criticized Saddam Hussein for trying to starve out U-S diplomats holed up in the American Embassy in Kuwait City. Iraq ordered all foreign embassies to close and move to Baghdad after the invasion three months ago.

Iraq's ambassador to the United States today accused the C-I-A of conspiring

with Kuwait to de-stabilize Iraq long before it occupied the tiny oil emirate. The C-I-A denies any meeting was held to discuss destroying Iraq. In other Gulf news, Moscow's chief Mideast envoy contradicted President Gorbachev when he told an Egyptian newspaper the Soviet Union would NOT oppose- but would NOT participate in- military moves to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

Researchers say a disease that recently killed more than 400 dolphins in the Mediteranean Sea resembles a distemper virus that decimated North Sea seals in 1988. Irish and Spanish scientists say the virus creates respiratory problems and causes swelling of the brain. Wildlife experts say the virus outbreak may be moving from the Spanish coast to France and North Africa.

An Energy Department study says parts of the Eastern United States from New York to Florida could be vulnerable to electricity shortages during periods of peak demand this winter. The study says some regions do NOT have the recommended five percent safety margin that might be required on extremely cold days or in the event of equipment failures. But the study says pinched utilities may be able to make short-term purchases of electricity from other regions.

In Dublin today, the 15-month-old coalition government of Prime Minister Charles Haughey narrowly survived a confidence vote. The vote came after the leader of the Irish Republic was forced to fire his deputy to keep the backing of the Progressive Democrat Party. The confidence vote in the 165-seat assembly was 83 to 80, with one abstention.

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#90304u2084 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (OCT. 31) UPI - A state district judge has refused to quash an indictment accusing Washington Redskins receiver Ricky Sanders of running down a parking lot attendant earlier this year outside a topless nightclub.

State District Judge Donald K. Shipley on Tuesday rejected a request by defense attorneys to drop, on grounds of vagueness, charges of assault and failure to stop and render aid.

No trial date has been scheduled for Sanders, 27, of Ashburn, Va., who was accused fo using his father-in-law's car to assault Azzam ''Sam'' Jamus, 29.

Jamus was run down after a dispute over hubcaps stolen from the car outside The Men's club, a Galleria-area topless bar.

Jamus spent six days in the hospital being treated for head injuries. Sanders, a receiver for the Redskins since 1986, had gone to the club after attending an NBA game.

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#90304u2105 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
IRVINE, Calif. (NOV. 1) UPI - Mazda Motor of America said Wednesday that it has boosted prices on 1991 model cars and trucks by an average of 2.4 percent, or $312 per vehicle.

The new price for the least expensive version of the Mazda 626 DX four-door sedan will be $12,529, while the flashy Miata convertible will sell for $14,200. The Mazda RX-7 coupe will sell for $19,750.

The Mazda B2200 short-bed two-wheel-drive truck will sell for $8,299 and the B2600i four-wheel-drive short-bed truck will sell for $11,309.

Mazda said that the increase would not affect prices of vehicles already on dealer lots and that it is not raising the $17,560 price of its newest product the Navajo sports utility vehicle.

Mazda also said it would not boost the prices on two of its lowest- priced cars - the 323 Hatchback at $6,899 and the Protege four-wheel drive compact sedan at $9,699.

In its announcement, Mazda said that customers will not notice much of a price change, since it has been selling cars with a discounted package of options called ''Value Pack''.

''Despite this price increase, the typical, as-equipped price of many of our 1991 models is actually less than the same 1990 vehicle with the same equipment, thanks to our 'Value Pack' strategy,'' said Clark J. Vitulli, chief operating officer for the U.S. subsidiary of the Japanese carmaker.

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#90304u2128 10/31/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 1) UPI - LIST: MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL FREE AGENTS:

(Players who have filed for free agency with the Major League Baseball Players Association. Players have until midnight Nov. 4 to declare free agency.)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Baltimore Orioles - Joe Price, Mickey Tettleton, Ron Kittle.

Boston Red Sox - Tom Brunansky, Mike Boddicker, Danny Heep.

California Angels - Max Venable, Donnie Hill.

Chicago White Sox - Phil Bradley.

Cleveland Indians - Candy Maldonado, Tom Brookens, Ken Phelps.

Detroit Tigers - Dan Petry, Edwin Nunez, Darnell Coles, John Shelby, Larry Sheets, Gary Ward.

Kansas City Royals - Steve Farr, Andy McGaffigan, Gerald Perry, Bob Boone, Steve Crawford, Steve Jeltz, Willie Wilson, Frank White.

Milwaukee Brewers - Rob Deer, Bill Krueger, Ted Higuera, Paul Mirabella.

Minnesota Twins - John Moses, Randy Bush.

New York Yankees - Tim Leary, Dave Righetti, Jeff Robinson.

Oakland Athletics - Ron Hassey, Willie McGee, Jamie Quirk, Bob Welch, Willie Randolph.

Seattle Mariners - Matt Young.

Texas Rangers - Charlie Hough, Craig McMurtry.

Toronto Blue Jays - Bud Black, John Candelaria, Rance Mulliniks.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Atlanta Braves - Jim Presley.

Chicago Cubs - Curtis Wilkerson.

Cincinnati Reds - Bill Doran, Danny Jackson, Tom Browning, Rick Mahler.

Houston Astros - Franklin Stubbs, Glenn Wilson, Terry Puhl, Juan Agosto, Rich Gedman.

Los Angeles Dodgers - Kirk Gibson, Juan Samuel, Rick Dempsey, Fernando Valenzuela.

Montreal Expos - Kevin Gross, Dave Schmidt.

New York Mets - Darryl Strawberry, Pat Tabler, Dan Schatzeder.

Philadelphia Phillies - Darren Daulton, Don Carman.

Pittsburgh Pirates - R.J. Reynolds, Rafael Belliard, Gary Redus, Wally Backman, Jerry Reuss, Don Slaught, Zane Smith, Doug Bair.

St. Louis Cardinals - Vince Coleman, Ken Dayley, Terry Pendleton, John Tudor, Tom Niedenfuer, Denny Walling.

San Diego Padres - Fred Lynn, Dennis Rasmussen, Eric Show.

San Francisco Giants - Gary Carter.

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#90304u2131 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

MONTREAL (OCT. 31) UPI - Imasco Ltd. Wednesday reported third quarter earnings of $65.88 million, or 50 cents a share, down 25 percent from $87.98 million, or 69 cents a share, a year ago.

Revenues at the conglomerate edged up to $3.37 billion from $3.05 billion in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months, Imasco posted a decline in earnings to $200.69 million, or $1.54 a share, compared with $210.7 million, or $1.64 a share, in 1989. Revenues increased to $9.54 billion up from $8.42 billion in 1989.

Imasco Chairman Purdy Crawford said a mix of results from the company's various operations added up to a decline in earnings.

Crawford said the weak economy was impacting negatively on Hardee's Food Systems and Canada Trust, a financial services company, while Imperial Tobacco and Shoppers Drug Mart continued to report strong earnings.

For the short term, Hardee's will focus on cutting costs and increasing its marketing and product innovations, Crawford said. On Oct. 25, Hardee's announced a plan to cut jobs through early retirement and voluntary separation.

Imasco is a holding company with subsidiaries involved in retail, tobacco, financial service and fast food businesses.

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#90304u2148 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

(OCT. 31) UPI - Egypt's president does NOT think much of Mikhail Gorbachev's proposal that Arab nations solve the Persian Gulf crisis. Hosni Mubark says past Arab summits did NOthing but increase ill feelings. Mubarak says unless there is a clear vision for the meeting, it would end ''in insults.'' Mubarak also notes the Soviet leader's own envoy came away empty after two meetings with Iraq's leader.

Ralph Nader says ''the gap between the rulers and ruled has never been greater.'' The consumer advocate is speaking about members of Congress and a pay raise that will have them earning an annual salary of 125-thousand dollars starting January 1st. The National Taxpayers Union says the wage hike will boost the lifetime pension income of a typical House incumbent who wins in

next Tuesday's election by more than 424- thousand dollars.

Four Israeli soldiers were demoted and sentenced to prison terms of up to two months today for beating a Palestinian who later died of his injuries. A military court in Jerusalem noted the defendants showed NO remorse for the fatal beating more than two years ago. The defendants- who claim they were following orders to beat Palestinians- say they'll appeal their convictions.

Cries of ''trick or treat'' are being heard from coast to coast... as children go door-to-door and otherwise celebrate Halloween. Thousands of people are expected to jam New York's annual Greenwich Village Halloween Parade tonight. The tradition is to wear outrageous costumes. In Los Angeles, shopping malls, city officials and politicians handed out goodies to keep kids off the streets. And in Detroit, a special Halloween party was held for homeless kids.

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#90304u2173 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 1) UPI - The Los Angeles Times, the nation's largest metropolitan daily newspaper, said Wednesday its circulation over the six months ended Sept. 30 increased 8 percent daily and 7.5 percent on Sunday.

Daily circulation increased by 88,700 to 1,196,323, while Sunday circulation increased 105,485 to 1,518,000, according to figures filed with the Audit Bureau of Circulations.

The newspaper, flagship of Times Mirror Co., said the Sunday circulation increase was the largest gain since 1968.

The Times also said circulation increased sharply in two suburban areas: Orange County, where it is battling the Orange County Register; and in the San Fernando Valley and Ventura County areas, where the Los Angeles Daily News has a significant presence.

Orange County circulation increased by 6.7 percent, or 11,224, daily and 19.2 percent, or 39,979, on Sunday. Circulation for the Times' Valley and Ventura County editions, grew by 5.3 percent, or 11,460, daily and 4.1 percent, or 11,306, on Sunday.

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#90304u2178 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (OCT. 31) UPI - Former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt said Wednesday he plans to visit Iraq next week at the invitation of President Saddam Hussein.

Brandt discussed the visit with Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar at U.N. headquarters in New York.

''They discussed the situation in the gulf region and devoted particular attention to humanitarian aspects of the situation in Iraq and Kuwait,'' the German mission to the United Nations said in a statement.

The statement said Brandt was invited by Saddam and he planned to go to Baghdad next week with the consent of the German government.

Brandt told reporters after his talks with Perez de Cuellar that he ''probably'' will go to Iraq next week, either alone or accompanied by some aides. He did not give the reason for the visit. There are about 400 Germans detained in Kuwait and Iraq.

Other current or former government leaders visited Saddam and obtained the release of some of their countrymen detained in Iraq. They included Austrian President Kurt Waldheim and former British Prime Minister Edward Heath.

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#90304u2190 10/31/1990 ~United Press International

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No trial date has been scheduled for Sanders, 27, of Ashburn, Va., who was accused of using his father-in-law's car to assault Azzam ''Sam'' Jamus, 29.

The Washington Post reported Wednesday that Sanders had hoped to go to trial after the Redskins finished their season, but Shipley told Sanders and his attorneys that he saw no reason to wait that long.

Attorney Wendell Odom, who will be representing Sanders, said he will likely ask for a Dec. 10 trial date, the Post reported.

That date would place the trial after a home game against the Chicago Bears and before a road contest Dec. 15 against the New England Patriots.

Jamus allegedly was run down after a dispute over hubcaps stolen from the car outside The Men's club, a Galleria-area topless bar.

Jamus, who spent six days in the hospital being treated for head injuries claims Sanders struck him with the auto. Sanders, who also faces a civil suit in the incident, denies there were any serious injuries.

Sanders, a receiver for the Redskins since 1986, had gone to the club after attending an NBA game.

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(NOV. 1) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	6	1	0	.857	187	136	4-1	W-5
Miami	6	1	0	.857	152	90	5-0	W-4
New York Jets	3	5	0	.375	151	190	1-3	W-1
Indianapolis	2	5	0	.286	105	162	0-3	L-2
New England	1	6	0	.143	100	196	1-4	L-5

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	5	3	0	.625	205	204	1-1	L-1
Houston	4	4	0	.500	181	152	1-1	L-1
Pittsburgh	4	4	0	.500	150	138	1-1	W-1
Cleveland	2	6	0	.250	128	193	1-1	L-3

WEST

LA Raiders	6	1	0	.857	147	99	4-0	W-2
Kansas City	4	3	0	.571	167	114	0-2	L-1
Denver	3	4	0	.429	168	178	2-1	W-1
Seattle	3	4	0	.429	144	135	1-3	W-1
San Diego	3	5	0	.375	164	142	0-1	W-1

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	7	0	0	1.000	171	96	6-0	W-7
Washington	4	3	0	.571	144	103	4-2	L-1
Philadelphia	3	4	0	.429	151	152	1-3	W-1
Dallas	3	5	0	.375	110	156	0-5	L-1
Phoenix	2	5	0	.286	100	172	2-3	L-2

CENTRAL

Chicago	6	1	0	.857	173	96	3-0	W-3
Tampa Bay	4	4	0	.500	157	182	4-0	W-1
Detroit	3	4	0	.429	168	179	1-3	W-1
Green Bay	3	4	0	.429	127	156	2-3	W-1
Minnesota	1	6	0	.143	150	159	0-4	L-5

WEST								
San Francisco	7	0	0	1.000	174	118	3-0	W-7
Atlanta	3	4	0	.429	199	200	1-3	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	2	5	0	.286	174	214	1-0	L-1
New Orleans	2	5	0	.286	115	150	0-2	L-2

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(OCT. 31) UPI - Iraq's ambassador to the United States spoke of conspiracy today in Washington. The diplomat... citing a Kuwaiti security memo... claims Washington and Kuwait plotted against Iraq before Baghdad moved its troops into the oil-rich emirate. The diplomat said U-S troops are in Saudi Arabia to destroy Iraq and to- as he put it- ''establish control over oil.''

President Bush will start his final campaign swing of the year tomorrow in Massachusetts, where polls show G-O-P gubernatorial nominee William Weld trailing Democrat John Silber. Bush will speak at two rallies for Weld before heading to a fundraiser in Orlando, Florida... where Republican Governor Bob Martinez is involved in a neck-and-neck race with Democrat Lawton Chiles.

The Air Force has grounded the shuttle Atlantis... one day after NASA cleared the ship for blastoff. Atlantis and its five-man all-military crew was first grounded in July by a hydrogen leak. Officials say the shuttle is now leak-free but there is a problem with the ship's spy satellite payload. Sources say next Friday's planned launch will likely be delayed two weeks or more.

The leader of one of 35-hundred Detroit block clubs whose members are patrolling the streets says she's hoping they'll ''bury Devil's Night tonight.'' The volunteer army is out in force for a third night, trying to dampen the spree of arson fires that traditionally sweep the Motor City around Halloween. The coordinator of the Devil's Night task force says they're optimistic.

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(OCT. 31) UPI - A federal appeals court says Georgia's public television network can air two gubernatorial debates without including all the candidates. The ruling goes against two Libertarian candidates who sued the network to block the debates. The candidates argued that by excluding them, the state was telling voters they're NOT serious candidates and violating their First Amendment rights.

Canadian researchers say younger women with subtle menstrual cycle abnormalities may experience bone loss in their 20's and 30's... making them more likely to develop osteoporosis after menopause. The study by the

University of British Columbia in Vancouver also found strenuous exercise alone apparently did NOT cause menstrual problems- as suggested by earlier studies.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - MIPS Computer Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:MIPS) Thursday announced that Kristoffer Sygel has joined the company as vice president of European operations, based in Marlow, England.

Sygel, 49, manages MIPS' sales, support and service operations throughout Europe. He reports to Charles M. Boesenberg, president, located at MIPS headquarters in Sunnyvale.

Sygel brings more than 25 years of experience in engineering, sales and general management to his new post. Prior to joining MIPS, he spent nine years with Data General Corp., most recently as vice president of Data General Germany, one of that company's largest subsidiaries.

During his tenure, he was responsible for the growth of Data General's business in Scandinavia, including the establishment of several new subsidiaries. From 1974 to 1981, Sygel worked for Digital Equipment Corp. in engineering and managerial positions, lastly as manager of European special systems in London.

Earlier in his career he was a research engineer at Stockholm University.

''Europe is a strategic market for MIPS,'' said Boesenberg, noting that the region accounted for about 25 percent of MIPS' $102 million in revenues in fiscal 1989.

MIPS technology and systems customers provide solutions in government, finance manufacturing, and service industries throughout Europe. Customers include leading European-based computer companies such as Siemens, Groupe Bull and TIS Ltd.

From Marlow, MIPS conducts business throughout Europe, Africa and the Middle East, and maintains subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, France and Germany.

The European headquarters is located at Lunar House, Fieldhouse Lane, Thames Industrial Estate, Marlow, Bucks SL7 1LW, U.K., telephone 44-628-890-535.

MIPS Computer Systems is a leading supplier of technology based on reduced instruction set computing (RISC) for the computer system and embedded control markets. The company markets a line of high-performance computer systems based on RISC, and also licenses its microprocessor designs, compilers and system software to semiconductor and systems partners worldwide.

MIPS products are sold through OEMs, VARs, systems integrators, and distributors worldwide.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Officials of Air L.A. and Air Resorts Airlines have announced that they have entered into a ''Memorandum of Intent'' to merge their two companies.

The closing of the transaction is scheduled for Dec. 27, 1990. When completed, Air L.A. and Air Resorts will be operated as wholly owned subsidiaries of Air L.A. Inc. (OTC). Moreover it is anticipated, on a pro forma basis for the first full 12 months of operations in 1991, that the companies will have over $14 million in sales, assets of over $14 million, and stockholders' equity of over $6 million.

Combined entities are expected to produce operating costs of 15 cents/ASM (Available Seat Miles).

Wayne Schoenfeld, president of Air L.A. said, ''This merger will result in a strong economic base permitting the company to complete its major expansion into several Mexican cities, namely Tijuana, Hermosillo, Mexicali and Guaymas, with passenger and freight operations.''

He went on to say: ''The over 500 maquiladoras (assembly plants manned by Mexicans and owned by foreign companies) will now be served through the West Coast's principal international gateway, Los Angeles. Air L.A. has longstanding marketing agreements with the most important European and Pacific air carriers serving Los Angeles.''

Air L.A. presently serves the Grand Canyon, Palm Springs Resorts and Las Vegas from LAX while Air Resorts serves Arizona from San Diego. Additionally, Air Resorts specializes in government contract work, contract tours and will soon be serving New York (JFK) Airport from Toronto and Niagara Falls, New York.

Both of Air L.A. Inc.'s subsidiary companies serve ''niche'' markets and believe the consolidation will further strengthen their presence in these markets, as well as those in ''maquiladora'' country. When the merger is completed, Air L.A. Inc. will be qualified for a NASDAQ listing in Spring 1991 and is planning to prepare for an early Summer ''Secondary Offering.''

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Transamerica Corp. Thursday reported that its net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $237.5 million, or $2.97 per share, (including $13.3 million or 18 cents per share in gains from investment transactions).

This compares to net income of $256.1 million, or $3.23 per share, for the first nine months of 1989 (including $40.2 million, or 53 cents per share, in investment gains).

Income from operations for the first nine months of 1990, excluding investment gains, was $224.2 million ($2.79 per share), an increase of 4 percent over the $215.9 million ($2.70 per share) reported a year ago.

Transamerica's third-quarter 1990 net income was $80.8 million, or $1.01 per share (including gains from investment transactions of $2.7 million, or 4 cents per share), compared to $93.9 million, or $1.19 per share (including investments gains of $10.2 million or 13 cents per share) for the third quarter of 1989.

Third-quarter 1990 income from operations, which excludes investment gains, was $78.0 million (97 cents per share), compared to $83.8 million ($1.06 per share) for the third quarter of 1989.

''Our life insurance and consumer lending businesses have turned in extremely strong performances. In fact, they both achieved new earnings records,'' commented Transamerica's chairman and chief executive officer James R. Harvey.

''The economic slowdown, however, has hurt some of our businesses. Earnings at our commercial lending company were disappointing, while our leasing and real estate services businesses have been affected affected by the economy to a lesser extent. The property and casualty insurance business continues to be impacted by that industry's pricing cycle.

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WILLOW GROVE, PA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Kulicke & Soffa Industries Inc. Thursday announced the appointment of Herbert D. Benjamin as vice president of sales.

He reports directly to C. Scott Kulicke, chairman of the board and CEO.

Benjamin comes to K&S with an extensive background in engineering, technical support and sales to the semiconductor industry. Prior to joining K&S, he was vice president of sales for the Bruce Division of BTU International.

His previous experience includes managerial positions with GCA and Applied Materials. He began his professional career as an engineer with the IBM Corp. at their Fishkill, N.Y., facility, concentrating on advanced design ICs.

Benjamin holds a bachelor of science in electrical engineering from Cornell University and a masters of business administration from Babson College. With his wife, Stephanie, and his two daughters, Jessica and Danielle, he will be relocating to the Willow Grove area from Carlisle, Mass.

Kulicke and Soffa is one of the world's leading suppliers of assembly equipment and systems for the semiconductor industry. K&S serves both the IC and hybrid markets with sales and service facilities worldwide.

The company's product line includes wafer preparation, wafer dicing, die attach, aluminum and gold wedge bonding, gold ball bonding and single point TAB bonding systems. K&S is a key supplier to four of the six winners to date of the Malcolm Baldridge National Quality Award. Traded on the Over-the-Counter National Market (NASDAQ:KLIC), the company's headquarters are located in Willow Grove, Pa.

For additional information, contact K&S at 2101 Blair Mill Road, Willow Grove, PA, 19090, USA; telephone 215/784-6000, fax 215/659-7588.

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MCLEAN, VA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. has been awarded a $37.4 million contract by the U.S. Naval Sea Systems Command to design, produce and test three development models of an advanced, small submersible to be used by the elite U.S. Navy Sea Air Land (SEAL) special operations teams.

Under the terms of the contract, Unisys Defense Systems will deliver an advanced development model in 22 months, and two engineering development

models of the submarine in 40 and 42 months respectively.

According to Harold Kaskel, Unisys program manager for the EX-8 Mod 1, the new submersible will provide several major advantages over the existing ones now used by the Navy SEALs.

''Previous submersibles have been cramped and difficult to control, requiring the constant attention and control by the pilot and co-pilot,'' he said. ''The EX-8 Mod 1 will be a stable vehicle, equipped with an improved control system and autopilot to reduce swimmer fatigue,'' he said.

In addition, Kaskel said the vehicle would have a new shape and new electronic systems miniaturization and packaging to maximize crew space and payload. The system will also have an improved propulsion system to give the vehicle better low-speed maneuverability and station-keeping capability.

Because water temperature can also limit mission times, the vehicle will also permit use of an active thermal protection system to improve the swimmers' endurance.

After the three development submersibles are delivered and accepted, current plans call for the Navy to hold a competition for the follow-on production of the battery-powered electric vehicles.

Work on the program will be done at Unisys Defense Systems' Shipboard and Ground Systems Group facilities in Great Neck, N.Y.

Unisys Corp. is a $10-billion information systems company with more than 80,000 employees and 60,000 customers in more than 100 countries. The company is a leading manufacturer of commercial information systems, defense systems, and related services.

The Defense Systems unit of Unisys Corp., with headquarters in McLean, Va. is one of the nation's most experienced suppliers of systems, products and services to the Department of Defense and other government agencies.

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DENVER (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Hamilton Oil Corp. Thursday announced financial results for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net earnings for the third quarter more than doubled to $4,087,000, or 13 cents per share, vs. net earnings of $1,770,000, or 5 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989. Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $46,030,000, compared to $34,743,000 for the same period in 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net earnings were $23,194,000, or 81 cents per share, on revenues of $157,383,000. For the same nine month period in 1989, net earnings were $15,719,000, or 53 cents per share, on revenues of $151,748,000.

The increase in net earnings for the three and nine month periods in 1990 is basically attributable to a reduction in interest expense. Oil and gas sales rose significantly in the third quarter, however, the increase was primarily offset by higher production and operating expenses and also an increase in depletion, depreciation and amortization
expense.

Net production for the third quarter of 1990 averaged 5,910 barrels of liquids and 104 million cubic feet of natural gas per day. Average daily production for the third quarter of 1989 was 5,488 barrels of liquids and 85 million cubic feet of natural gas.

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WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CALIF (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Incomnet Inc. (NASDAQ:ICNT) of Westlake Village, Thursday reported its results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net earnings from company operations were the highest in the history of the company. For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company earned $123,492, or 2 cents per share, nearly double last year's $74,394, or 1 cent per share.

Total revenues from company operations for the third quarter were $697,140 vs. $420,103 last year, or a 66 percent gain. Revenues from all operations including security transactions were $697,140 vs. $552,000 last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company earned $313,418, or 4 cents per share vs. the 1989 results of $385,454. However, last year's results included securities gains of $574,103, results from business operations only, were a loss of $188,649 last year.

Nine-months revenues were $2,294,664 vs. $1,810,579 last year, which included gains on securities of $574,103. Actual revenues from ongoing business operations were ahead 81 percent, to $2,238,371 this year vs. $1,236,476 last year.

Incomnet's earnings are expected to nearly double last year's results due to

expanding the autoNETWORK computerized trading network, consistently higher levels of efficiency and the growth of a new business software division.

Incomnet is a rapidly growing telecommunications company with a vertical auto networking niche. It operates autoNETWORK, which is the largest computerized network for auto dismantlers in California and the western United States. Incomnet also operates a domestic and an offshore software subsidiary.

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GERMANTOWN, TENN (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Community Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ:CBOG), the parent company of the Community Bank of Germantown, Thursday announced financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

As previously announced, during September 1990 the company made a special provision of $2.3 million to the allowance for credit losses. This action resulted in a net operating loss for the third quarter of $1.4 million, or 52 cents per share. In the third quarter a year ago, the company earned $567,000 or 21 cents per share.

For the third quarter of 1990, net interest income totalled $2.0 million compared with $2.2 million in the third quarter of 1989.

The special provision to the allowance for credit losses and other related charge-offs resulted in a net operating loss of $1.7 million, or 64 cents per share, for the first nine months of 1990, compared with net operating income of $1.7 million, or 63 cents per share, in the comparable period last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net interest income was $6.5 million compared to $6.8 million during the same period of 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, assets were $255.2 million, an increase of $14.9 million, or 6.2 percent, over Dec. 31, 1989. Deposits were $233.7 million, net loans totalled $156.0 million, and stockholders' equity was $17.0 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

Community Bancshares Inc. is a bank holding company headquartered in Germantown, a separately incorporated municipality adjacent to Memphis, Tenn.

Community Bank of Germantown, the bank subsidiary of Community Bancshares, has seven full-service branch locations which serve the Germantown and east Memphis area.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Ventura Software Inc., a Xerox company, Thursday announced the formation of its European headquarters.

The new organization, with offices in the United Kingdom, France and Germany, will be responsible for the company's desktop software products throughout the United Kingdom and Europe.

Frank Iveson has been named managing director of Ventura Software Europe. Iveson will report directly to Patrick Linehan, senior vice president of marketing and sales for Ventura Software Inc. Iveson will be responsible for manufacturing, sales, distribution, marketing and support for all European countries.

Ventura Software Inc. develops, markets and distributes Ventura Publisher and FormBase. Ventura Publisher is a leading desktop publishing software package and is available in four computing environments: Windows 3.0, Macintosh, DOS/GEM and OS/2 Presentation Manager. FormBase 1.1, an intelligent forms processor that takes full advantage of the Windows 3.0 graphical environment, allows users to capture, manipulate and present information quickly and easily.

The U.K. English versions of DOS/GEM and Windows Editions are immediately available through Ventura Software Europe and will be available for Macintosh and OS/2 Presentation Manager by year-end 1990. A U.K. English version of FormBase 1.1 will be available during the fourth quarter 1990.

Ventura Software Inc., a Xerox company, is a leading supplier of publishing, forms processing and database software solutions. Ventura Publisher and FormBase are currently available for IBM PCs and compatibles. By year-end 1990, Ventura Publisher will also be available for the Apple Macintosh platform.

The company markets its software solutions through a worldwide dealer network of more than 6,000 networks. Ventura Software Inc., formerly Xerox Desktop Software, has its headquarters in San Diego.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The Sharper Image (NASDAQ:SHRP) announced Thursday the addition of two new catalogs; a Kids Catalog and an International Catalog, reflecting a commitment to expand their mail order business.

''The Kids Catalog is a natural addition to our core business,'' said Richard Thalheimer, president and chief executive officer of the company. ''Fully 30 percent of our customer base have children ages five to thirteen, which is our target market for the book. Kids products have traditionally sold well through our current catalog and stores.''

The Kids Catalog will be mailed to 700,000 homes the first week of November. It is filled with innovative products ranging from a $699 kid-sized motorized Ferrari to a $39 talking robot.

Fifty thousand copies of the International Edition of The Sharper Image Catalog will be mailed worldwide simultaneously. The catalog is in English with an order form in Italian, French and Spanish, encouraging customers to order by facsimile transmission.

The Sharper Image is a specialty retailer of a unique selection of innovative and high quality products that are marketed through its colorful monthly catalogs and expanding retail network which now totals 72 stores nationwide and seven internationally. The company offers a wide variety of products, including consumer electronics, communications, health and fitness, recreational and novelty items.

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SAN FRANCISCO, CA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - PacTel Cable Thursday announced that its English subsidiary has reached an agreement to acquire all the equity interests held by co-investor Masada U.K. Cable Partners L.P. in seven English cable television companies.

This purchase makes PacTel Cable subsidiaries 100 percent owners of six cable companies and 96 percent owner of another one.

PacTel Cable president Tony DiStefano noted ''We felt this a timely opportunity to enhance our position as a U.K. cable provider. We're confident that cable TV is going to become increasingly popular with U.K. residents in the years ahead and we look forward to extending our leadership role in helping shape the industry.''

During a limited transition period, it is anticipated that Masada U.K. Corp. will help the PacTel subsidiaries develop and organize the seven companies.

PacTel Cable subsidiaries now own 100 percent of the companies holding the Manchester, Peterborough, Norwich, Derby, Broadland and Fenland cable licenses it won in conjunction with Masada U.K. Cable Partners L.P. over the past year. In addition, a PacTel Cable subsidiary will own 96 percent of the company holding the South Yorkshire area cable license.

The seven franchise areas cover 874,000 homes. The new arrangement will increase PacTel Cable's total share of homes to 1.28 million thoughout England. The remaining PacTel Cable homes represent PacTel Cable's particiapation in East London Telecommunications (ELT) and its sole ownership of Bolton Cablevision Limited.

PacTel Cable is a major shareholder with Jones Intercable Inc. in ELT, a company which holds six cable licenses in the greater London area.

The transaction has received regulatory approval from the U.K. Department of Trade and Industry and from the U.K. Cable Authority.

PacTel Cable is a subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, a worldwide diversified telecommunications company based in San Francisco. Telesis is the first regional holding company to attempt to enter the domestic cable market by applying for a waiver to the 1982 Consent Decree to purchase an interest in a cable company serving two franchise areas in Chicago.

Masada U.K. Cable Partners L.P.is a partnership consisting of TA Communications U.K. Cable Inc., a U.S. fund management company, and Masada U.K. Corp. Masada U.K. Corp. is a top 100 U.S. multi-system cable company based in Birmingham, Ala.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Jefferson Bank's total loans increased to $335 million at Sept. 30, up 20 percent in the 12-month period then ended, announced Betsy Z. Cohen, chairman of the board.

Deposits increased during the same period from $348 million to $369 million. Assets totalled $414 million at Sept. 30, compared to the prior year total of $390 million. Earnings and earnings per share for the third quarter respectively totalled, $519,000 and 13 cents, compared to $476,000 and 14 cents in the comparable prior year period.

Pressure on the bank's interest margin continued as the cost of funds remains high. Jefferson Bank recently completed a substantial expansion of its branch system, opening new offices in Exton, Bala Cynwyd and Manayunk during the past nine months. The addition of these branches should generate new loans and core deposits and help to reduce the bank's cost of funds

On Aug. 5, the bank issued $5 million of 9.5 percent convertible preferred stock to its parent, State Bancshares Inc. Proportionate amounts of such stock will be made available to other shareholders in the fourth quarter.

Jefferson Bank is a commercial bank, member FDIC, which has been serving the Delaware Valley for over 16 years. The bank has 13 retail branch locations in Philadelphia, Montgomery and Chester counties.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Oki Semiconductor continues its commitment to blending Japanese and American management styles by appointing Eric B. Ovlen vice president, human resources and administration.

Reporting directly to company President Tatsuo Ishihara, Ovlen will be responsible for four major areas within the entire Sunnyvale and Tualatin, Ore., facilities of Oki Semiconductor: human resources, facilities, administration of office services and community relations.

Ovlen was most recently management consultant to corporate clients such as Chevron Corp. and visiting professor of management at Centre de Recherches et D'Etudes des Chefs D'Enterprise, Paris. Prior to this appointment, he was vice president, human resources and administration for Alps Electric (U.S.A.) Inc.

Ovlen brings extensive multicultural experience in human resource management to Oki Semiconductor. While at Alps Electric U.S.A., a U.S. subsidiary of a Japanese electronic components manufacturer, he implemented Japanese managerial techniques, such as ''productivity improvement teams,'' bottom-up work units where various employee groups are assigned the responsbility of solving specific problems, and working with management to implement the solutions.

Ovlen implemented a ''point evaluation system'' whereby compensation and performance evaluation are determined by an objective classification of each job's requirements. The classification is based on a matrix of questions about the job functions and a specified number of points assigned each possible response. Each job classification is developed by an evaluation committee of managers and peers, who must come to a consensus.

Oki Semiconductor was founded in 1977 and manufactures a broad line of VLSI devices and board level products for use in computers, telecom systems, automotive and consumer products. In addition to its customer specific ICs, including CMOS gate arrays and standard cells, the company is a leader in CMOS microprocessor, memory and speech synthesis semiconductor devices.

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DENVER (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - United Artists Entertainment Co. (UAE) Thursday announced the mailing to the record holders of its 6-3/8 percent convertible subordinated debentures due Sept. 15, 2002, of a notice of redemption and related documentation by the trustee.

The notice of redemption relates to the previously announced redemption by UAE of the entire outstanding principal amount of the 6-3/8 percent debentures. The redemption date is Dec. 14, 1990, and the redemption price is $1,025.76 for each $1,000 principal amount of debentures. No interest will accrue on the debentures after the redemption date.

Holders of 6-3/8 percent debentures also have the right to convert their debentures into shares of UAE Class A common stock and Class B common stock at a conversion price of $17.875 per share, at any time until the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990.

The trustee for the 6-3/8 percent debentures is The Bank of New York.

The UAE Class A common stock and Class B common stock trade on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbols UAECA and UAECB. Rights to put shares of UAE common stock in 1992 and 1995 to Tele-Communications Inc. (TCI) also trade on the National Market System, under the symbol TCOMR, and are securities of TCI. UAE is the largest publicly traded affiliate of TCI.

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PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Pope & Talbot Inc. announced Thursday that as a result of an anticipated long-term decline in timber supply for the company's Port Gamble, Wash., sawmill, the company will write-down the Port Gamble mill to what the company believes is its estimated recoverable value.

The fourth quarter charge will be approximately $10 million or 54 cents per primary share (48 cents on a fully diluted basis). This charge is expected to be less than non-recurring income generated in 1990 from sales of the company's Oregon timberlands.

Port Gamble depends entirely on timber purchased under contract and log purchases in the open market for its raw material supply. The mill's operations have been negatively impacted recently by high log costs caused primarily by strong export demand for logs. This strong export demand is expected to continue.

Furthermore, spotted owl set-asides and other environmental concerns will result in a significant reduction in timber available in the geographic area from which Port Gamble obtains its logs. Therefore, the company believes its ability to obtain adequate timber to operate the mill at its historic levels has been permanently impaired.

The company does anticipate operating the mill on a reduced basis when timber availability permits. The write-down is part of a restructuring intended to focus the company's lumber production in regions of more stable timber supplies and to reduce the company's presence in western Oregon and western Washington. This was begun last year with sale of the company's Oakridge, Ore., sawmill and is continuing with the previously announced sale of the company's remaining Oregon timberlands.

Pope & Talbot also announced renewal of a previous authorization to repurchase shares of the company's common stock. The board of directors, at a recent regularly scheduled meeting, authorized purchase of the common stock from time to time in both open market and block transactions. The company may discontinue purchases of its common stock at any time management determines additional purchases are not warranted.

Pope & Talbot Inc. is a publicly held, Portland-based paper, pulp and wood products company traded on the NYSE. Pope & Talbot was founded in 1849 and has operations throughout the United States and in Canada.

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EL SEGUNDO, CA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Inference Corp. Thursday announced that it has acquired Expertech, a London-based expert systems company.

The acquisition enables Inference to significantly enhance its European distribution channel, expand its European customer base and consulting services, and increase its product offerings. With this acquisition Inference

now has a direct product sales, marketing and support position in England, as well as a European base of operations.

Expertech, privately held, is a six-year-old company with 25 employees. Expertech markets expert systems tools in Europe for personal computers, workstations and mainframe computers designed for end-user programming. Its offerings include ''Xi Plus,'' an easy-to-use expert systems shell for PC users, and ''Expertech Egeria,'' an object-oriented programmer's tool for workstations and mainframes.

Expertech also provides expert systems consulting services. The company has an exceptional customer base of over 3,000 companies throughout Europe (10,000 deployed systems), including British Steel, British Telecom, British Airways and Barclays Bank in the United Kingdom.

''The formation of Inference Europe Ltd. is an important step in our plan to aggressively expand our position as a major player in the European expert systems marketplace,'' said Alex Jacobson, president and chief executive officer of Inference.

''Our acquisition of Expertech enables us to market Inference's products directly in the U.K. and to provide on-going customer support and consulting services to our European customers, as well as to strengthen our distribution network on the Continent.

''We look forward to becoming a part of one of the acknowledged leaders in expert systems technology,'' said Peter Price, managing director of Expertech. ''We believe that the merging of the two organizations is timely and will lead to an expanded presence for combined operations in Europe.''

In forming Inference Europe Ltd., Inference's existing U.K.-based consulting organization will integrate its operations with those of Expertech Ltd. to form combined consulting operations in the U.K. In addition, the introduction of Inference's ART and ART-IM product lines, will leverage Expertech's existing U.K. direct sales force and its network of distributors throughout Europe.

Inference Corp. is the leader in providing expert systems for application productivity and decision automation. Headquartered in El Segundo, Inference has sales offices throughout the United States, Europe and Japan.

Inference's products - The Automated Reasoning Tool (ART), The Automated Reasoning Tool for Information Management (ART-IM) and ART-Ada - support a varity of computing platforms and commercial applications in the engineering, telecommunications, transportation, manufacturing, government and financial services industries.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Del Monte Foods announced Thursday that Susan S. Clark will join the company on Nov. 5 as vice president, business development.

Clark joins Del Monte Foods from the California State Lottery.

Clark, 32, will be responsible for developing business opportunities that have the potential to expand the Del Monte franchise to new areas. This new assignment at the company is intended to explore ways to further develop the Del Monte brand equity.

Recently, Clark was the director of marketing for the California Lottery, a position she held since 1986. At the lottery, she was responsible for the long term planning, product design, development and implementation of the California Lottery's marketing plans.

Under her management, the Lottery built an effective marketing organization that has been the recipient of many advertising and promotion awards including a CLIO and a POPAI.

Prior to joining the California State Lottery, Clark had been in a marketing role for Del Monte, responsible for the marketing of A-1 Steak Sauce. She began her career in 1980 at Proctor & Gamble with brand management assignments on both the Sure and Crest product lines.

''We see many near term opportunities for expansion of the Del Monte brand franchise,'' said A. Ewan Macdonald, president and chief executive officer of Del Monte Foods. ''The equity that exists in the Del Monte brand name is a wonderful asset.

''Susan's success in developing creative and successful marketing plans and new products for the Lottery fits perfectly with this mission to expand our business base.''

Susan, a native of New York, received her bachelor degree in Economics from the University of Michigan. She currently resides in Sacramento, Calif., and will relocate to the Bay Area.

Susan's leisure activities include volunteer work with the American Lung Association and the Crocker Art Museum.

Del Monte Foods is an independent, privately held San Francisco based company, marketing and manufacturing products under the Del Monte brand name.

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SAN CARLOS, CALIF (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - ESCAgenetics Corp. (ASE:ESN), a San Carlos-based company which applies plant biotechnology to develop improved food crops, planting materials, natural ingredients and technical services for the food industry, Thursday announced its financial results for the second fiscal quarter which ended Sept. 30.

Revenues decreased to $1,504,000, compared to $1,689,000 for the comparable period ended Sept. 30, 1989. The decrease in revenue is due primarily to the sale of corn in the previous fiscal year, which the company anticipates will be sold primarily in the fourth quarter for fiscal 1991. Costs of revenues as a percentage of total revenues has remained stable.

Research and development expenses increased to $1,244,000 for the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, from $918,000 in the comparable prior year period. The increase represents efforts in ongoing proprietary research and development projects.

True potato seed (TPS) research, which is financed through the company's joint venture with Pioneer Hi-Bred International, is accounted for on the equity method and, accordingly, the company has recorded its 50 percent interest in the joint venture's loss beginning with the second quarter of fiscal 1989.

In June, the company entered into a joint venture agreement with a company located in the Middle East to open a Plant Tissue Culture Laboratory. Under the terms of the agreement, the company will receive an equity position and royalties resulting from the sales of products in return for a license agreement of its technology.

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PHOENIX (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Gradual increases in the cost of natural gas from its suppliers over the past year have forced Southwest Gas (NYSE:SWX) to ask for an increase in the gas cost adjustment portion of its Arizona customers' bills.

Southwest records such costs in a separate account and periodically updates the gas cost component of its rates to reflect any significant increases or

decreases.

If approved by the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC), the adjustment would result in a $12.9 million increase in revenues for the company statewide to pay for gas it has purchased from its suppliers. A typical Arizona residential customer using 40 therms of natural gas would see a $1.18, or a little more than 4 percent, increase in the monthly bill.

''Natural gas prices have been relatively stable over the last few years,'' said Marvin R. Shaw, executive vice president/rates, regulation and gas supply. ''We've been fortunate that we haven't had a gas-cost increase like this since 1987.''

He noted that supplier prices have gradually increased over the past year due to changes in the gas markets and changes in supplier price agreements.

He emphasized that the non-gas cost portion of customer bills would remain the same; only the gas cost adjustment portion would change. The company asked that the new rates take effect Dec. 1.

Under ACC rules, natural gas utilities are allowed to pass along to consumers dollar-for-dollar any significant increases or decreases in their gas supply costs. The company makes no profit from such increases.

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  Garth Andrews, 602/395-4087

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Xsirius Inc. (NASDAQ:XSIR) Thursday announced that its subsidiary, Xsirius Photonics, has been awarded a patent for its Silicon Avalanche Photodiode Array.

This new technology advances the state of the art in light detectors by amplifying low-level light signals, thus increasing the range over which they can be effective. It also lays the groundwork for future generations of the devices that could be used to provide imaging information, such as missile tracking and guidance systems, medical imaging and security systems.

''We are pleased about our patent award and expect that our initial product will find quick application as a replacement for non-amplifying array sensors already in use,'' said Tom Lewis, president of Xsirius Photonics. ''This patent exemplifies Xsirius' business plan to identify and develop technologies with wide commercial potential.''

Xsirius Inc., based in Los Angeles, is dedicated to identifying and developing advanced core technologies with significant commercial appplicability in

fields as diverse as medicine, communications and space exploration. These technologies are brought to market by separate Xsirius subsidiaries, such as Xsirius Photonics and Xsirius Superconductivity.

Xsirius achieves financial self-sufficiency through its many outside research contracts with industry and agencies of the U.S. government.

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DALLAS (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Comstock Resources Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS:CMRE) announced the status of its ongoing development of its 54,000 acre Bivins Ranch lease located in Moore, Potter, Oldham and Hartley Counties, Texas.

To date, Comstock has eight wells fully completed and producing in lower non-engineered zones. An additional 45 wells have been perforated and acidized and are currently scheduled for fracture treatments and will be brought into production during the month of November. Comstock has scheduled 83 wells to be completed in Blocks 1 and 2 by the end of 1990 with the remaining 15 wells located in Block 3 scheduled for completion in the first quarter of 1991 when a gas pipeline connection should be available. Average daily production is currently 85 barrels of oil per day and 1,300 mcf of gas per day which will increase substantially by Nov. 30, 1990, as the 45 new wells are brought on line.

The majority of the wells are being completed in lower zones which were not engineered with proved reserves. The production resulting from these lower zones should add significant additional oil reserves when combined with the engineered upper zones. Current production and test results on the non-engineered lower zones indicate an average of seven to 10 barrels of oil and 20 to 30 mcf of gas per well per day is being contributed by the lower zones. Comstock estimates that these lower zones could contribute a total of 581 to 830 barrels of oil and 1,660 to 2,490 mcf of gas per day by the end of 1990. In addition, Comstock began testing the engineered upper zones in 10 wells late last week.

Comstock Resources Inc. owns and manages income producing assets in oil, casinghead and natural gas, precious metals and real estate, with subsidiary operations since 1865.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Rathbone, King & Seeley Inc. (''RKS'')(NASDAQ:RATH)(on when-issued trading basis:RATHV), a property casualty insurance holding company, announced that it had reached a settlement of the single dissenting stockholder's demand for appraisal in connection with the merger of Classified Financial Corp. (''CFC'') into RKS, which was completed on Sept. 30, 1990.

Because of the settlement, the shares of RKS common stock into which the 49,878 CFC shares held by the dissenting stockholder would have been converted will go pro rata to the other, non-dissenting CFC stockholders. Giving effect to this, each pre-merger CFC share will be converted into 0.167250377 RKS shares (that is, approximately 5.979059758 CFC shares will be necessary to receive a full RKS share).

RKS, through its subsidiaries, American Star Insurance Company and Rathbone, King & Seeley Insurance Services Inc., operates property casualty and related businesses primarily in the western states.

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WILLIAMSPORT, PA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The merger between The First Bank of Greater Pittston (First Bank) and Commonwealth Bancshares Corp. has been consummated, effective Nov. 1, according to a joint announcement from Thomas F. Burke Jr., president of First Bank and William D. Davis, chairman and chief executive officer of Commonwealth Bancshares.

The merger agreement calls for First Bank to operate as an affiliate of Commonwealth Bancshares, maintaining its existing charter and the same corporate identity. The employees, officers and corporate board of directors of First Bank will continue to serve in their present capacities.

As part of the affiliation, Burke and Harry G. Schmaltz, directors on the First Bank board, will join the board of directors of Commonwealth Bancshares. Additionally, Paul A. Clapps, executive vice president of First Bank, will serve on Commonwealth Bancshares' executive management committees.

Commonwealth Bancshares Corp. is the largest holding company headquartered in northcentral Pennsylvania. In addition to The First Bank of Pittston, the subsidiaries of the holding company include Commonwealth Bank and Trust Co., N.A., Williamsport, Pa.; County National Bank, Montrose, Pa.; First Bank of Troy, Troy, Pa. and Liberty State Bank, Mount Carmel, Pa.

The corporation, with The First Bank of Greater Pittston merger, has combined

assets in excess of $1.6 billion and includes a banking network of 60 offices in a 14-county service area.

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PHOENIX (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Three-Five Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:TFSY) Thursday reported that net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased to $177,646, equal to 5 cents per share, compared with $34,075 or 1 cent per share, the previous year.

Sales for the third quarter rose to $4,683,379 from the prior year's $2,825,357. For the first nine months, net income was $415,070 on sales of $11,619,143 as compared to net income of $78,485 on sales of $8,202,701 the previous year.

''The higher sales and earnings are due in part to the May 1 acquisition of ERA and in part to higher sales by internal growth,'' said David R. Buchanan, chairman and chief executive officer. ''The company continues to make progress in new account penetration in its custom product area. These sales more than made up for the slight decline in its standard product line. Standard products which are now only about 25 percent of total sales, are more sensitive to economic downturns than are custom products.''

Three-Five Systems Inc. is an international manufacturer of custom integrated LCD and LED displays and keyboards as well as discrete optoelectronic components. The company maintains corporate headquarters in Phoenix, an engineering design center in Winsted, Conn., European headquarters in Swindon, England, and manufacturing facilities in Manila, the Philippines.

Presently, plans are in progress to open a new 11,000 sq. ft. plant in Phoenix that will house a liquid crystal display laboratory as well as limited manufacturing facilities.

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ROLLING HILLS ESTATES, CA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Panatech Research and Development Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:PNTC) reported Thursday that, in its second quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, the company earned $112,000, or 3 cents per share, on sales of $3,457,000, compared with a loss of $43,000 on sales of $1,000,500 in the prior year.

For the six-month period the company earned $363,100, or 8 cents per share, on sales of $7.91 million, compared with a loss of $89,700 on sales of $1,000,500 in the prior year.

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CONCORD, NH (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - RealWorld Corp. of Concord, N.H. rated No. 1 on the 1990 VARBUSINESS accounting software survey.

The accounting software ''Report Card'' survey was designed by VARBUSINESS to find out resellers' opinions of four accounting software vendors among the leaders in the industry -- RealWorld Corp., Concord, N.H.; American Business Systems (ABS) Inc., Chelmsford, Mass.; Open Systems Inc., Eden Prairie, Minn.; and SBT Corp., Sausalito, Calif.

Per VARBUSINESS, RealWorld scored the highest in all nine marketing support categories, giving them the top position. VARBUSINESS further stated that RealWorld was able to outrun last year's top-rated SBT, ''because it has improved its product and put on a marketing blitz.''

When asked to what Larry Brennan, chief executive officer/president of RealWorld, attributed their success, Brennan stated that ''RealWorld runs soley on the Administrative Technology developed by L. Ron Hubbard. We built our top-notch marketing team on these very basics.''

Hubbard's Administrative Technology is available through WISE (World Institute of Scientology Enterprises), a membership organization with headquarters in Los Angeles with branches worldwide.

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BREA, CA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - UnionFed Financial Corp. (NYSE:UFF) Thursday reported that its principal subsidiary, Union Federal Savings Bank (the ''Bank''), has been requested by the Office of Thrift Supervision to submit a capital plan demonstrating the manner in which the Bank intends to return to compliance with applicable regulatory capital requirements.

UnionFed previously reported that the Bank was not in compliance with its

risk-based capital requirement at June 30, 1990, and that it anticipated that it would be required to file a capital plan.

Also as expected, the OTS has directed that the Bank not increase its assets pending approval of its capital plan or pay any dividends. Certain additional limitations have been placed on the Bank's operations that are generally consistent with the business strategy that Union Federal has previously reported it intends to follow in the future.

These limitations include that, except with the prior written approval of the OTS assistant district director, the Bank must confine new loan originations and investments to single-family residential lending, mortgage-backed securities and certain low risk-weight assets, other than for liquidity purposes or to fulfill existing commitments.

In addition, the Bank must comply with restrictions on the sale, transfer, modification or exchange of assets and on certain real estate purchases, investments in subsidiaries and capital expenditures. The Bank is also prohibited from accepting brokered deposits or, as part of this limitation, from offering above-market rates on its deposits.

UnionFed Financial is the holding company for Union Federal Savings Bank, a federally chartered savings bank with $2.5 billion in assets and 27 branches in Southern California.

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EVERETT, WA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - John Fluke Mfg. Co. Inc. (ASE: FKM) reported that on Oct. 29, 1990, an agreement was reached between John Fluke Mfg. Co. Inc. and the Bejing Radio Research Institute for the sale of $2.6 million of equipment and technology, expanding a relationship dating back to 1980.

Fluke has agreed to supply kits to build Fluke's 45 Series dual display multimeters and the required manufacturing skills such as surface mount technology. This contract extends over three years and will be concurrent with several existing projects.

John Fluke Mfg. Co. Inc. is a leading manufacturer of electronic instrumentation and services that improve the productivity of technical users engaged in research service, design, manufacturing and calibration. Fluke serves customers who are manufacturers and users of electronic and electrical

equipment in defense and aerospace, government agencies, computers and peripherals, electronic instrumentation, communications, utilities, automotive and consumer electronics. Founded in 1948 and headquartered in Everett, Fluke employs over 2,000 people worldwide, producing sales of $247.7 million in its most recent fiscal year, ended Sept. 29, 1989.

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LONGVIEW, WA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Longview Fibre Co. Thursday announced that on Wednesday, Oct. 31, 1990, in a private transaction, it accepted an unsolicited offer from the Robert M. Bass Group Inc. to sell the company 2,030,000 shares of the company's common stock at the prevailing market price.

This purchase amounts to 3.8 percent of its common shares outstanding and the total purchase price was approximately $20,050,000.

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IRVINE, CA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - UVC Corp. Thursday announced the introduction of two major products that promise to revolutionize the world of multimedia through the first low-cost, compression-based solutions for real-time multimedia and video telecommunication applications.

Simply stated, UVC's new products have flung open the doors to consumers to the high-tech world of multimedia, which has never been affordable for consumers up to this point. The two JPEG-compatible products announced are the Multimedia I Processor board (single PC-AT slot product) and Multimedia Plus Software (software only compression/decompression).

In announcing UVC's new products, Scott Lewis, president and chief executive officer, said: ''By breaking the $1,000 cost barrier, video communication, including video mail and teleconferencing on a mass scale, is now possible. Customers and developers can now start tackling both video editing and video mail for under a few hundred dollars.''

The Multimedia I board will be the most cost-effective full-compression multimedia board ever developed due to its utilization of UVC's patented new chip technology. UVC's Multimedia I board will be sold through computer dealers and VARs with an estimated price starting from $799.

The Multimedia Plus Software contains two application programs: Videomail and Multimedia PC (video editing), working with precaptured video for display up to full motion rates on a standard VGA screen. The estimated selling price of this software will be $199 to $299.

Lewis said, ''UVC's four years of product development and seven patents have now yielded for the mainstream PC market the first affordable compression-based solutions for real-time multimedia and video telecommunications.''

UVC will exhibit its multimedia developments in booth W-548 at Comdex in Las Vegas Nov. 12 - 16.

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IRVING, TX (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Michaels Stores Inc. (ASE:MKE) Thursday reported that its sales for the month ended Oct. 28 increased to $37.8 million or 15 percent over last year.

Sales at the 115 stores in operation during October of both years increased 4 percent to $32.9 million. The sales increases achieved were most gratifying considering present economic conditions.

The company noted that it is continuing to consolidate recent strategic changes made in its field reporting relationships and merchandising policies designed to strengthen operational controls and enhance sales and promotional results.

Michaels Stores Inc. is one of the nation's leading specialty retailers specializing in competitively priced home decor and arts and crafts items, with 137 company owned and operated stores in 18 states in the southern half and Midwestern sections of the United States.

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MENLO PARK, CALIF (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Network General Corp. (NASDAQ:NETG) Thursday announced the promotion of two senior managers, and the appointment of three key senior managers as part of a strategy to meet the challenges of expanding domestically and internationally.

This coordinated expansion of the company's management team fills five important positions in Network General's U.S. and international operations, and strengthens the company's administrative and managerial structure.

Network General, the leader in the growing market of LAN analysis products, has reported revenue increases from $4.9 million in 1988 to $29.4 million in 1990. The company is responding to this growth, combined with the rapid development of international markets in Europe and the Far East, with these three new appointments and two internal promotions.

The new managers will help Network General maintain its responsiveness to the ever-changing marketplace, technological innovations and the demand for customer services.

Promotions are: - Morey Schapira, 41, to general manager of Network General's Asia/Americas Operations. He was formerly vice president of sales. - Jim Pante, 43, to director of U.S. Sales. He was formerly national sales manager.

New appointments are: - Kees Bruin,44, as managing director of Network General Europe, S.A. - Riley R. Willcox, 50, to the post of chief financial officer. - E. Arlin Torbett, 51, as vice president of technical operations.

These five managers will report directly to Network General's Chief Operating Officer Roger Ferguson.

Network General is headquartered at 4200 Bohannon Drive, Menlo Park, Calif. 94025-1097; telephone 415/688-2700.

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IRVINE, CA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Joseph R. Bouska, former national sales manager of the MacinStor Division of Storage Dimensions, has joined MicroNet Technology as national sales manager of Macintosh, Sun and PC data storage systems.

Bouska previously held sales management positions at Everex Systems and Abaton Technology. He comes to MicroNet with strong experience from a well qualified background.

In addition, Suzanne Kimball joins MicroNet Technology as Marketing Communications manager. Kimball was formerly with RACET computes Ltd. of Brea and will assume public relations and advertising responsiblities at MicroNet.

MicroNet employs over 80 people and has experienced record sales and strong growth in the last year. They specialize in data storage systems for PC,

Macintosh, Sun, and NeXT computer systems. MicroNet products are sold through better dealers and distributors worldwide. For additional information, please contact MicroNet Technology, Sales Department, 20 Mason, Irvine, CA 92718. Telephone: 714/837-6033.

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FREMONT, CA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Everex Systems Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:EVRX) Thursday announced the Everex STEPcube, a high-performance 12-slot 486/33 EISA computer system.

The Everex STEPcube offers the maximum performance available from an EISA system and features an innovative mechanical design optimized for current and next generation microprocessors.

Capable of operating in the most demanding commercial environment, the Everex STEPcube features an advanced thermal management system. The Everex Thermal Management System (ETMS) includes two high-capacity SmartFans with infinitely variable self-regulating speed controls.

The two SmartFans route air through the chassis, cooling components and cards. While one SmartFan cools the system board and expansion cards, the other is devoted to cooling the power supply and drives. With ETMS, component life is prolonged, maintenance costs are reduced and up time is increased.

The Everex STEPcube is designed to operate as a powerful file server or multiuser system. The 12-slot EISA system board provides the maximum expandability and I/O necessary to run large networking and multiuser applications. Users running smaller networks may not require the 12-slot expandability and may purchase 8-slot 386 and 486 versions of the Everex STEPcube based on ISA or EISA system boards.

The Everex STEPcube offers full upgradeability for maximum value. Depending upon system configuration, users may purchase a direct CPU replacement card to upgrade 386-based systems to 486-based systems. Users may also switch bus architectures or increase expandability by replacing the entire system board.

The Everex STEPcube includes a high-capacity 400-watt power supply which meets the power requirements of the most demanding system configurations. With a 400-watt power supply, the Everex STEPcube runs standard configurations using only a fraction of the available power. The system runs cooler, reducing thermal stress on the subsystems and the power supply.

The Everex STEPcube's distinctive design provides easy access to boards and

mass storage devices. Tool-less device installation allows users to gain access to the system without using a screwdriver.

Everex Systems Inc., with headquarters in Fremont, designs, manufactures and supports a complete family of industry-standard personal computers and peripherals. Everex products are distributed through a worldwide dealer and VAR network.

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DES MOINES, IA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Pioneer Hi-Bred International Inc. has acquired, for cash, substantially all of the assets of Allelix Crop Technologies (ACT) of Mississauga, Ontario, Canada.

ACT is internationally known for its work in the field of agricultural biotechnology, especially in the development of hybrid canola, a major oil seed crop.

According to Charles Johnson, Pioneer senior vice president for North American Operations, the acquisition fits into the company's strategy for oilseed development and marketing.

''ACT has a very good foundation of breeding material and a highly developed research program producing superior canola varieties and hybrids,'' said Johnson. ''The addition of these resources, both in biotechnology and traditional breeding, will give Pioneer a new world- wide position in this competitive crop.''

Through contract research with major food companies, including Frito/Lay, ACT has been developing specialized canola and other products.

''This acquisition is a superb fit for our Specialty Plant Products Division '' continued Johnson. ''S.P.P. is a new division of Pioneer engaged in developing, producing and marketing crops that have traits valuable to end-users and processors. The addition of ACT is a big plus for that group.

''Additionally, ACT has established a marketing presence, here in the Southeastern United States. That effort will continue and undoubtedly will help Pioneer establish itself in the expanding canola seed market.''

The president of ACT, Dr. Jeremy Gawen, said his company had been looking for new capital investment for some months and had attracted the attention of a

number of international seed and food companies. ''We're delighted to be joining the Pioneer group which has had considerable resources here in Canada, since 1946,'' Gawen said.

Gawen and the rest of the management staff of ACT will continue in their present duties. The company will continue to operate from its Canadian locations in Mississauga and Georgetown, Ontario.

ACT was founded in 1983 as a part of Allelix Inc. and became a separate business in 1988. The company generates revenues from contract research and seed sales, but the bulk of its funding to date has come from its major shareholders, NOVA Corp. of Alberta, John Labatt Ltd. and the Ontario Development Corp. Pioneer does not expect the acquisition to have an immediate material impact on earnings.

Pioneer Hi-Bred International Inc. was established in 1926 and is headquartered in Des Moines.

Conducting business in more than 60 countries, it is the world's largest agricultural genetics research company. It develops, produces and markets hybrid seed corn, sorghum, sunflowers and varieties of soybeans, alfalfa and wheat as well as microbial products for inoculation of crops and livestock.

Pioneer also develops and markets business information products and services for farmers. Through its Specialty Plant Products division it develops, produces and markets crops with traits valuable to processors and end-users.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Southdown Inc. (NYSE:SDW) and Lone Star Industries Inc. (NYSE:LCE) have mutually agreed to terminate the previously announced agreement under which Southwestern Portland Cement Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of Southdown, had agreed to purchase Lone Star's Maryneal, Texas, cement plant and related facilities, subject to certain conditions.

Southdown Inc. is one of the leading U.S. cement and ready-mixed concrete companies. The company manufactures cement in eight plant locations around the country and markets ready-mixed concrete in southern California and Florida. In addition, the company has recently entered the waste management business and is engaged in waste processing, recycling and resource recovery.

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GLENDALE, CA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Pollution Research and Control Corp. (NASDAQ:PRCC) reported Thursday revenue of $630,000 for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, resulting in a net loss of $169,000, or 5 cents per share, compared with revenue of $1,252,000 and a net loss of $178,000, or 5 cents per share, for the same three months a year ago.

A. E. Gosselin Jr., president and chief executive officer, explained the revenue drop and loss for the quarter as resulting from a slow market for monitoring equipment in anticipation of the President's signing of the Clean Air Act. ''The company's operating performance in the first quarter,'' Gosselin said, ''reflects a continued extension of last year's downward adjustments in fixed expense to accomodate lower sales.''

''The balance between the company's fixed expense and our anticipation of lower sales,'' Gosselin maintains, ''appears to have been reached in late August. By taking these steps now we expect to be able to resume profitable growth consistent with normal sales activity.''

Pollution Research and Control designs, manufactures and markets air pollution monitoring instruments, nationally and internationally, under the trade name Dasibi.

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ST. LOUIS (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Invitron (NASDAQ:INVN) Thursday announced a reduction in force of 41 employees, comprising approximately one-third of its work force.

The company's action was taken following a request on Oct. 24, by a customer that current production on its behalf cease. At that time, the company had been devoting most of its manufacturing activities to that customer.

Previously announced informational discussions regarding financing for, or sale of all or part of, the company have not come to fruition. While certain

of these discussions continue, the company has no assurance as to their outcome. Further employment reductions may result in the event that the company is unsuccessful in these endeavors.

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BOISE, ID (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Warren E. McCain, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, announced today that he will retire as chief executive officer on Feb. 1, 1991.

McCain will stay active in the management of the company as chairman of the executive committee. McCain stated: ''I will be 65 in December and my intentions are to increase some of my outside activities. In my capacity as chairman of the executive committee, I can stay involved in all major decisions of the company but not be tied down to running the company on a day-to-day basis.''

He further stated that ''The company is in excellent shape and we have strong management in place with several candidates qualified to be chief executive officer. It is expected that the board of directors, at their regularly scheduled meeting on Dec. 3, will decide and announce the new management line-up.''

Albertson's Inc., headquartered in Boise, is the nation's sixth largest operator of food and drug stores, with annual sales in 1989 of $7.4 billion. The company currently operates 524 stores in 16 western and southern states.

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HAYWARD, Calif (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - American Bionetics Inc. (NASDAQ:AMBI) announced Thursday that it filed Nov. 1 for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

Dr. Jerome A. Mattingly, president and recently named chief executive officer, stated that, ''the reorganization filing was necessary for continuing the operations of the company and to allow time for renegotiating certain financial commitments and seeking additional working captial.''

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TUSTIN, Calif. (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Care Enterprises Inc., a provider of long-term care services, announced Thursday that the Bankruptcy Court has approved a settlement agreement between Care Enterprises and its affiliates and Paradigm Corp. and its affiliates.

The settlement agreement provides, among other things, for the broad release of all claims, actions and debts between Care and Paradigm, except for certain undisputed leases and obligations in effect at the settlement date.

In addition, the settlement provides for Paradigm to transfer all of its equity interests in Care to Care and for the restatement and continuance of three long-term care facility leases. Other than existing continuing obligations, the settlement does not require any cash payments by either of the parties.

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DANIA, FLA. (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Sound Advice Inc. (NASDAQ:SUND), Dania, Fla., a specialty retailer of upscale consumer electronics products, Thursday announced record sales for the first quarter ended Sept. 30.

Net sales for the quarter were $28.5 million, representing an increase of 42.5 percent over the $20.0 million reported for the first quarter last year.

Peter Beshouri, president and chief executive officer, announced that sales increases were based on the same number of stores, including four expanded stores, and resulted from the Company employing aggressive strategies to increase market share.

Beshouri also announced the future opening of its 18th store and the moving of two existing stores to significantly larger locations in November 1990.

Earnings per share were 15 cents for the quarter ended Sept. 30 compared to 4 cents per share for the like quarter last year and net income increased to $535,000 compared to $140,000 last year. Net income for the comparable quarter last year was impacted by one time write offs for inventory shrinkage and unamortized leasehold improvements related to a relocated store.

Gross profit increased by $2.3 million for the first quarter 1991 to

$8,673,000 from $6,339,000 for the like quarter last year.

All 17 of the Company's retail stores operate under the name ''Sound Advice'' and are located in growing Florida markets. The company has 3.7 million shares outstanding, and has been actively traded publicly since June, 1986.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - New Line Cinema Corp. (AMEX:NLN) Thursday reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

All of the share and per share amounts below reflect the 25 percent stock dividend declared on June 12 and accounted for as a stock split. The 1990 share and per share figures also reflect the sale to a major institutional investor of 600,000 shares on May 29.

Revenues for the quarter were $21,186,000, compared with $17,696,000 during the third quarter of 1989. The company reported a net loss of $1,162,000, or a loss of 12 cents per share, compared with net income of $681,000, or 8 cents per share, during the same period last year.

The weighted average number of shares outstanding for the quarter was 9,335,772, while the weighted average number of shares outstanding for 1989 was 8,540,609.

Nine month revenues increased to $100,629,000 from $44,049,000 for the first nine months in 1989. Net income was $4,123,000, or 46 cents per share, compared with a net income of $536,000, or 6 cents per share, during the same period last year.

The weighted average number of shares outstanding for the 1990 period was 8,895,701, while the weighted average number of shares outstanding for 1989 was 8,524,668.

New Line's third quarter results were affected by the disappointing box office performance of its theatrical release, ''Pump Up The Volume'' which resulted in the Company writing off costs related to the picture. New Line expects to record additional revenues from the picture as it is released to the various ancillary markets.

By comparison, in last year's third quarter, New Line had in release, ''A Nightmare on Elm Street V,'' which grossed over $24 million at the domestic box office.

Commenting on the results, New Line Chairman and Chief Executive Robert Shaye said, ''The results of 'Pump Up The Volume' fell short of our expectations and we wrote down costs to accurately reflect its value to New Line. New Line will record significant revenues during the fourth quarter from the home video release of 'Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles.' 'Ninja Turtles' was released on home video on October 4 and sales are expected to total about 8 million units.''

New Line Cinema Corp. is a leading independent producer and distributor of theatrical motion pictures.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - LIVE Entertainment Inc. (NYSE:LVE) Thursday released further details about the terms of the convertible preferred stock which is to be issued in connection with the acquisition of the assets of Vestron Inc. (NYSE:VV) announced Wednesday, according to Wayne H. Patterson chairman and chief executive officer for the company.

The shares, which will have a liquidation value of $21 million, will be issued to the holders of Vestron's $115 million convertible subordinated debt upon the confirmation of the Vestron bankruptcy plan of reorganization and closing of the asset acquisition by LIVE, expected to be in the first quarter of 1991. The exact terms of the convertible preferred stock will be determined at the closing.

The convertible preferred stock will bear a dividend of between 8 percent and 10 percent per annum, depending upon the conversion price premium over the average market price of LIVE common stock at the closing. The conversion price premium will not be less than 15 percent over the average market price of LIVE's common stock and the conversion price itself will not be less than $20 per share.

If the minimum conversion price of $20 per share yields a conversion price premium greater than 30 percent, the convertible preferred stock will include a reset mechanism in the 37th month after the closing to adjust the conversion price to 110 percent of the then market price of LIVE's common stock, if the resulting conversion price would be less than $20 per share.

At LIVE's option, the convertible preferred stock may be redeemed in cash at its liquidation value of $20 per share 36 months after the closing.

Vestron, with headquarters in Stamford, Conn., produces, acquires and distributes home video. It has a home-video catalog of approximately 1,200 titles, including such hits as ''Dirty Dancing'' and ''Platoon,'' and such acclaimed special-interest titles as the ''National Geographic'' series.

LIVE Entertainment is a diversified entertainment software supplier, distributor and retailer with headquarters in Los Angeles and is the parent company of Los Angeles-based home-video supplier LIVE Home Video Inc., with a catalog of 1,300 titles; Minneapolis-based rackjobber Lieberman Enterprises Inc.; the LIVE Specialty Retail Group, with headquarters in Milford, Mass., which includes Strawberries Records, Tapes & CDs and the Waxie Maxie music chain; and indirect subsidiary VCL/Carolco Communications GmbH, a home-video distributor based in Munich, Germany.

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TAMPA, FLA. (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology (NASDAQ:SDOT) announced Thursday that it will be featured on the nationally-syndicated news program ''Inside Edition'' on Thursday, Nov. 1.

The story will cover the company's work on its second colonial Spanish shipwreck site using Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institution's Johnson Sea Link submarine. The wreck is more than a thousand feet deep 50 miles east of St. Augustine, Fla.

Seahawk is currently completing its predisturbance survey of the site which includes a photomosaic record of the entire area and selective sampling of artifacts which may help identify the wreck. Heading the expedition is noted marine archaeologist Robert Marx, author of 32 books and the person who initially targeted the wreck for Seahawk.

The site has 12 cannons, two anchors and thousands of artifacts and ballast stones showing on the surface. Recovered artifacts include two cannons, numerous cannonballs, several ''onion bottles,'' a brass telescope, a dozen copper cooking pots of different sizes, and a number of artifacts which are unidentifiable until they are cleaned up.

To mark where each artifact is retrieved, Harbor Branch designed a special device dubbed the ''Pez Dispenser.'' Each time an artifact is removed the dispenser shoots out a tiny steel weight wrapped in a florescent ribbon with a numbered float attached to it. Upon contact the ribbon unwraps and the numbered float rises about a foot above the weight for future recording.

Seahawk plans on beginning full excavation of the site when it completes work on its first colonial Spanish galleon, which is located about 65 miles southwest of Key West 1500 feet deep.

That wreck is yielding gold bars, silver coins, ancient mariner's astrolabes, jewelry, intact olive jars, and Italian ceramics bearing the seal of the Pope, indicating a Papal emissary was probably aboard when the ship went down. Evidence indicates the ship was probably part of the Spanish fleet which was decimated by a hurricane in 1622.

The most famous ship of that fleet was the Atocha, found by Mel Fisher in 1985 and valued at hundreds of millions of dollars.

Seahawk is publicly traded on the NASDAQ stock exchange.

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NEEDHAM, MASS. (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - GTE Government Systems Corp. was named 1990 New England Corporation of the Year by the Boston District Office, Minority Business Development Agency of the United States Department of Commerce.

Presented annually, the award recognizes the New England company having the greatest improvement in development and utilization of minority businesses. GTE Government Systems' Communication Systems Division received this commendation based on its improved level of contracts to small disadvantaged business, totaling more than $4 million this year.

Cornelius J. Shea, a company purchasing manager, accepted the award from Dr. Louis W. Roberts, chairman of the co-sponsoring committee for the New England Minority Enterprise Development (MED) Conference. The Boston conference, part of National MED week activities, included briefings by Erline Patrick, associate administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration for Minority Small Business/Capital Ownership Development, and a keynote address by the Honorable Parren J. Mitchell, chairman of the Minority Business Enterprise Legal Defense and Education Fund Inc.

The Communication Systems Division is a leader in the design, development and production of tactical command, control and communication systems for governments and military forces throughout the world.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Thursday announced it will acquire Samna Corp. of Atlanta, developers of Ami and Ami Professional, top-rated graphical word processors for the Microsoft Windows personal computer operating environment.

The two companies have signed a definitive merger agreement, calling for Lotus to acquire Samna for approximately $65 million, or $18.84 per share of Samna common stock. The acquisition is structured as a tender offer that will begin on or before Nov. 7, 1990. The companies hope to complete the acquisition by year's end.

''The graphical word processing market is a promising, high-growth segment and we are excited to be teaming up with Samna to pursue the opportunities that are emerging there,'' said Jim Manzi, Lotus' president and chief executive officer. ''With this initiative, we are acquiring Ami Professional and Ami, a first-class organization that is determined to be a leader in the word processing market and all of the leading-edge, Windows-based technology they've developed.

''Our objective is to have the leading products in the major application categories and in the major computing environments,'' Manzi added. ''Ami Professional fits this strategy perfectly, and we intend to provide tight integration between it and our spreadsheet and graphics products under development for the Windows 3.0 environment.''

The chairman and president of Samna, Said Mohammadioun, said he believes the partnership with Lotus gives Samna the international sales and marketing resources, and the continued development support needed for Ami and Ami Professional to gain significant market share in the emerging Windows word processing market. ''We developed the first major graphical word processor to run under Microsoft Windows,'' Mohammadioun said. ''We intend to capitalize on our early presence and the added marketing, sales and distribution strength provided by Lotus -- both in the U.S. and in international markets -- to grow our business aggressively.''

Samna shipped initial Windows versions of Ami and Ami Professional in December 1988 and October 1989, respectively. The company has shipped Windows 3.0 versions of both products this year. The products, which share the same graphical user interface and file formats, meet the needs of a broad range of users.

Ami is an executive word processing package, while Ami Professional is designed for more intensive word processing needs. Am! Professional provides a rich set of graphics and drawing tools, support for dynamic data exchange

links to other applications running under Windows, macro language capabilities and other advanced word processing features.

Samna also recently began shipping an innovative information access product for Windows, called SmarText. In addition, the company continues to market character-based word processing products for DOS users and Samna Plus IV, a word processing package for multi-user systems running AT&T UNIX System V 3.2 and SCO XENIX.

''Ami and Ami Professional are easy to use, easy to learn, and early entrants in the Windows 3.0 word processing market,'' Manzi said. ''We've learned from previous experience that ease of use and early entry in the market are critical to a product's acceptance. We intend to enhance and further support the Am! product line by funding further development of the products, and by providing the marketing, sales and distribution impetus required to make them commercial successes.''

Samna will become the Word Processing Division of Lotus, operating from Atlanta. Mohammadioun, who along with three other partners founded Samna in 1982, will be vice president of the word processing division, reporting to Frank King, senior vice president of Lotus' Software Business Group.

Lotus said the transaction will be accounted for as a purchase. A substantial portion of the $65 million acquisition cost will be allocated to ''purchased'' research and development expense, resulting in a one-time charge of approximately $40 million to $50 million against earnings in the fiscal period in which the transaction is completed.

Lotus' tender offer is conditioned upon at least a majority of Samna's outstanding common stock -- on a fully diluted basis -- being tendered and not withdrawn, and other customary conditions. The tender offer will be followed by a merger in which all remaining shares of Samna's common stock will be converted into the right to receive $18.84 per share.

Samna (NASDAQ:SMNA) shipped its first word processing package, Samna Word II, in 1983. The company, which completed an initial public offering in June 1987 recorded $10.3 million in revenue in the first nine months of this year, compared to $11 million for all of 1989. Due to its transition from character- to graphical-based products and, in part, to its early investment in the Windows market, the company incurred operating losses earlier in the year and in 1989, but was profitable in its most recent quarter ended Sept. 30 (see accompanying chart).

Lotus Development Corp. (NASDAQ:LOTS), founded in 1982, develops, markets and supports business software and CD-ROM databases that help users access, analyze, communicate and share information. The company's first product, Lotus 1-2-3, is the most popular personal computer software program in the world with more than 12 million users.

Lotus markets its broad range of products in more than 65 countries and offers users comprehensive support options, including 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week support in the U.S. for PC versions of its 1-2-3 spreadsheet. In 1989, the company recorded $556 million in revenue, with net income of $68 million, or $1.61 per share.

Samna 1990 Financial Results

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990
Revenue	$4,000,000	$10,300,000
Net Income/Loss	$145,000	($1,200,000)
E.P.S.	$0.05	($0.46)

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EAST ROCHESTER, N.Y. (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - MOSCOM Corp. (NASDAQ NMS:MSCM) Thursday announced record sales and earnings for the third quarter, 1990.

Sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, l990 were $3,558,959, an increase of 15 percent from $3,085,169 in sales for the same period last year. Net income for the quarter increased 48 percent to $612,041 or 9 cents per share from $414,791 or 6 cents per share earned in the prior third quarter.

Commenting on the report, Albert J. Montevecchio, MOSCOM president, said, ''Despite the difficult economic environment, MOSCOM achieved another record quarter. The gains were due to sales to AT&T of Cost Allocator software and CDRU/s hardware, under firm commitment contracts which run through the end of 1992 and 1991. Sales to Siemens in Germany of M4500 call accounting systems were also strong.''

Montevecchio continued, ''Nonetheless, softness in certain portions of our business, which we attribute entirely to weakness in the general economy, has tempered our short-term expectations.

''While we continue to expect record earnings for 1990, it is too early in the

fourth quarter to be able to say with certainty that results for the second half will exceed those of the first half, as we previously anticipated. For the longer term we remain optimistic since the fundamentals of our industry and our important customer relationships remain strong.''

MOSCOM Corp. is the world's leading producer of telephone cost management products for single and multiple site telecommunications systems.

MOSCOM Corp.
Financial Highlights
(unaudited)

	Third Quarter Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Net Sales	$3,558,959	$3,085,169
Income Before Taxes	622,041	429,791
Income Taxes	10,000	15,000
Net Income	$612,041	$414,791
Net Income per Share	$.09	$.06
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	6,770,312	6,699,347

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Net Sales	$10,472,925	$9,165,547
Income Before Taxes	2,272,938	1,160,468
Income Taxes	235,000	31,000
Net Income	$2,037,938	$1,129,468
Net Income per Share	$.30	$.17
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	6,770,638	6,702,151

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ENGLEWOOD, COLO (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Nu-West Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:FERT) disclosed that on Oct. 25, 1990, the United States District Court for the District of Delaware entered an order denying Nu-West's motion for summary judgment, and entered an order granting summary judgment to Clarendon Ltd. in an action brought by Clarendon in March 1990. Clarendon sought to recover $2 million in principal payments relating to a term loan made to a subsidiary of Nu-West which Clarendon

alleged was guaranteed by Nu-West.

A judgment for the outstanding prinicpal amount, which may also include interest and related costs, is expected to be entered shortly. Nu-West is reviewing all available options, including an appeal of the decision to the Third Circuit Court of Appeals. Nu-West does not believe that this judgement will have a material adverse effect on its ongoing operations.

Nu-West is engaged in the manufacture and sale of phosphate fertilizer products.

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LONG ISLAND CITY, N.Y. (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Recoton Corporation (NASDAQ:RCOT) Thursday reported results for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 1990.

Sales for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990 increased 16% to $11,799,000 from $10,141,000 in the previous year's third quarter. Net income increased to $158,000 or $.08 per share compared to $44,000 or $.02 per share in the comparable period last year.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, sales were $32,920,000, up 17% from the $28,157,000 reported in the first nine months of 1989. Net income totalled $12,000 or $.01 per share compared to $293,000 or $.14 per share in the corresponding period of 1989.

Robert L. Borchardt, President, stated, ''We are pleased that the results for the third quarter were favorable and that the Company was able to report a profit for the nine month period. Despite the poor economic climate and softness in buying at the retail level, we see positive trends for the Company. Integration of our Calibron subsidiary and Rembrandt antenna line are progressing as scheduled. During the third quarter we completed building a 40,000 square foot manufacturing and warehouse addition which will double the size of our Calibron subsidiary in Orlando, Florida. This will allow us to expand domestic manufacturing and enable us to move some operations from the New York facility.''

Commenting on the increase in sales, Mr. Borchardt said, ''During the third quarter we began shipping Recoton's newest high tech product, the ''Room Service'' wireless video sender. This product wirelessly transmits movies or cable TV from one room to any other television in the house. We believe that the product introduction was very successful and that the wireless product category, which will be expanded in 1991, will produce strong future sales for the Company. Sales of indoor television and FM antennas were strong during

the third quarter and contributed to revenue growth as well.''

Looking ahead, Mr. Borchardt noted, ''We continue to capitalize on our position as a leading supplier of high quality consumer electronics accessories by introducing new and innovative products which meet market demand. Our strong distribution and growing market share should help us continue the current positive earnings trend during the fourth quarter.''

Recoton Corporation's products include over 1,000 accessories that are used for the maintenance, hookup, interconnection and enhancement of consumer electronics equipment, including video cassette recorders, audio equipment, telephones and personal computers.

RECOTON CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$11,799,000	$10,141,000	$32,920,000	$28,157,000
Income Before Income Taxes	273,000	83,000	27,000	488,000
Income Tax Provision	115,000	39,000	15,000	195,000
Net Income	$158,000	$44,000	$12,000	$293,000
Earnings per Share	$.08	$.02	$.01	$.14
Number of Shares Used in Computing Earnings per Share	1,968,000	2,029,000	1,977,000	2,039,000

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VANCOUVER, BC (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - CLEARLY CANADIAN BEVERAGE CORPORATION (NASDAQ Symbol: CLCDF; VSE Symbol: CLV), the registered holder of the trademark ''Clearly CanadianTM'', Thursday announced that it has entered into an agreement with GFY Beverages Company, whereby GFY Beverages will handle product distribution for the states of New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia.

This new strategic alliance grants GFY the exclusive license to manufacture, distribute and market ''Clearly Canadian'' in the aforementioned states. The Company stated that GFY Beverages has placed a minimum initial order of 100,000 cases. Demand in these states, which have a combined population of

approximately 44 million, will be met through existing as well as expanded bottling and distribution facilities. The Company anticipates that ''Clearly Canadian''TM will be available in these states during the Company's third quarter ending March 31, 1990.

Headquartered in New York, GFY Beverages is an affiliated corporation of Peerless Importers Inc., which is controlled by the Magliocco family. Peerless Importers are one of the nation's largest wine and spirit distributors. GFY Beverages operates as a manufacturer, distributor and marketer of non-alcoholic beverages.

As part of CLEARLY CANADIAN's strategy to have distributors make an equity investment in the Company, GFY Beverages recently purchased approximately 193,000 shares of the Company's common stock in a private placement.

Commenting on the agreement, Douglas L. Mason, President and Chief Executive Officer of CLEARLY CANADIAN BEVERAGE CORPORATION, stated, ''We are extremely pleased to announce this agreement with GFY Beverages. Consumption of premium beverages has traditionally been higher in this region of the country than others. We believe that GFY's expertise in distributing premium brands in these states will enhance brand recognition as well as contribute significantly to the Company's revenues and earnings.''

CLEARLY CANADIAN BEVERAGE CORPORATION produces and markets ''Clearly CanadianTM'', a line of natural and flavored sparkling mineral waters. Through distribution agreements, ''Clearly CanadianTM'' is available in 41 states, all of Canada, Japan and England.

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DENVER (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE -FIRST SEISMIC Corp. (NASDAQ:FSEI) Thursday reported record nine month net income of $1,965,000, or 67 cents per share of common stock, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $626,000, or 22 cents per share of common stock, for the like period in 1989.

Such earnings represent a 214 percent increase for 1990 compared to 1989. Revenues were $18,440,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to revenues of $11,551,000 in the like period in 1989, a 60 percent increase for 1990.

The company also reported net income of $861,000, or 28 cents per share of common stock, from revenues of $6,264,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to net income of $420,000, or 15 cents per share of common stock, from revenues of $5,308,000 for the like period of 1989.

Rogers E. Beall, FIRST SEISMIC's president and chief executive officer, stated that ''these earnings reflect the significant increases in demand for the company's current seismic data acquisition projects, combined with better than previous results from the company's seismic data marketing efforts throughout the United States.

''The company continues to work on its large backlog of new acquisition surveys with four contract seismic crews recording as we entered the fourth quarter on projects in the Arkoma and Black Warrior Basins of Oklahoma, Arkansas and Mississippi.

''In addition, on Sept. 1, the company signed and implemented a new large data marketing contract for the Gulf Coast division of one of its major oil company accounts. FIRST SEISMIC has enlarged its office in New Orleans to handle this new Gulf Coast opportunity.''

As previously announced, on Sept. 17, the company sold 1 million shares of common stock through an initial public offering, the net proceeds of which were committed to repay debt, finance new seismic surveys, purchase existing seismic data and for working capital and general corporate purposes.

FIRST SEISMIC Corp. is engaged in the marketing and management of new and existing seismic data owned by it and by others for licensing to the oil and gas industry. The company, which runs one of the largest seismic data marketing networks in the United States, has offices in Denver, Houston, Dallas, New Orleans, Oklahoma City, Midland and Bakersfield, Calif.

FIRST SEISMIC's common stock is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol FSEI.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - S&P CreditWire - S&P assigns its triple-'A' rating to Alpha Finance Corp. Ltd. (AFC)'s $500 million medium-term note program, and affirms the 'A-1'-plus short-term rating of AFC's $500 million commercial paper program.

The rating is based on the quality and diversification of the securities purchased, strict limits on leverage and portfolio management by the investment manager Cititrust (Bahamas) Ltd. and the investment advisor

Citicorp Investment Bank Ltd. (CIBL).

The company's medium-term notes are fixed and floating rate, and mature no later than Sept. 20, 1998. The notes are offered simultaneously in the U. S. and Euromarkets.

AFC is a limited liability company incorporated in the Cayman Islands. The equity of the company is owned by the holders of its ordinary shares who have contributed $100 million in capital. The company was established for the benefit of the shareholders with the purpose of investing in a diversified portfolio of high-quality rated debt securities.

AFC's investment in securities will be within strict investment parameters monitored closely by CIBL. Interest rate and currency risks will be minimized by closely matching as well as using interest rate and currency forwards and swaps. Liquidity is assured through committed bank lines and limits on liabilities coming due within specific time periods.

If, despite the high quality of investments and matching requirements, losses exceed certain predetermined amounts, CIBL will be required to bring the issuer back into compliance with leverage restrictions within five days; failure to do so will lead to AFC's ceasing activities, with noteholders having a choice of an immediate payout at market value or holding a note backed by a collateral pool held by a trustee.

In this event, S&P anticipates that the collateral pool held by the trustee will provide principal plus accrued interest to the noteholders at maturity.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Transatlantic Holdings, Inc. (NYSE:TRH) Thursday reported that its net income in the third quarter of 1990 increased 26.0 percent to $14.4 million or $0.63 per share, compared with $11.5 million, or $0.50 per share, in the same period of 1989.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, net income increased 10.7 percent to $44.5 million or $1.95 per share versus $40.2 million, or $1.76 per share.

Income before income taxes in the third quarter of 1990 increased to $17.7 million, or 32.7 percent over the $13.4 million recorded in the same 1989 period. These results included realized capital losses of $193,000 in 1990 and realized capital gains of $2.5 million in 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, income before income taxes totalled $54.6 million versus $47.0 million for the comparable prior year period, an increase of 16.3 percent.

These results included realized capital gains of $2.7 million and $3.8 million respectively.

The "fresh start" tax benefit reduced the provision for income taxes by $414,000 and $907,000 in the third quarters of 1990 and 1989, respectively. The benefit for the first nine months amounted to $1.2 million and $1.9 million in 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Expenses related to the Company's initial public offering of common stock were insignificant in the third quarter of 1990. These expenses, which are reflected in other income (deductions), totalled $1.9 million for the first nine months of 1990. No such costs were incurred in comparable 1989 periods.

At September 30, 1990, TRH's consolidated assets and stockholders' equity were $1.9 billion and $404.9 million, respectively, representing increases of $78.3 million and $5.5 million, respectively, over June 30, 1990 amounts.

Transatlantic Holdings, Inc. (TRH) is a leading U.S. international reinsurance organization with operations throughout the United States and foreign offices in London, Hong Kong, Tokyo, and Toronto. With assets exceeding $1.9 billion, its subsidiaries, Transatlantic Reinsurance Company and Putnam Reinsurance Company, write a full range of both treaty and facultative reinsurance and have proven their strength, stability and service over the years.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Imaging Centers of America Inc. (NASDAQ:MIKA) Thursday announced it is redeeming on Dec. 5, 1990, the remaining principal balance of $2,571,000 of convertible debentures originally issued on Nov. 1, 1987.

A total amount of $8,437,000 were issued in 1987 at a 12 percent interest rate and were convertible into MICA common stock at $4.00 per share. Since the issue data, a majority ($5,866,000) of principal amount of these debentures have already converted into MICA common stock.

The redemption of the remaining principal balance of the debentures will save MICA $308,520 annually in interest expense. Additional shares that may be issued if the debenture holders elect to convert to MICA common stock will not impact fully diluted earnings per share as this conversion has already been assumed in the calculation of fully diluted earnings per share previously reported.

MICA provides high-technology medical services to the hospital and physician communities.

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Antone J. Lazos, 619/560-0110

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JACKSONVILLE, FLA. (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Insituform Southeast Corp. (NASDAQ:ISEC) changed its name to Enviroq Corp. effective Thursday.

The change in name was approved by a vote of the shareholders of the company at the company's annual meeting which was held July 26 in Jacksonville.

The company's NASDAQ symbol, which was ''ISEC'' will change to ''EROQ,'' also effective Thursday.

The name, Enviroq (pronounced ''In-vie-rock'') more closely reflects the company's environmental focus. Enviroq president James J. Baird Jr. said, ''Over the last few years, we began to broaden our perspective and add additional products and services such as manhole rehabilitation and the TLRS lateral product.

''In light of these addtional products and services, we are no longer a one-product pipeline reconstruction company. We are evolving into an environmental infrastructure company. We believe that the ENVIROQ name more accurately reflects this new perspective.

''We will continue to emphasize Insituform(R), the premier product in the trenchless pipeline reconstruction market and we will continue to vigorously pursue this mainstay of our business.

''In fact, our Insituform clients will see little change because we have not changed the name of the Insituform operating subsidiary, Insituform Southeast Inc. Insituform will be one of several products and services provided under the Enviroq umbrella.''

Enviroq Corp. is engaged primarily in the business of protecting the environment by solving infrastructure problems in water and wastewater systems for industry and government. Through its wholly owned subsidiary, Insituform Southeast Inc., the company is the exclusive licensee of the Insituform(R) Process in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina and is the leading supplier of non-disruptive pipeline reconstruction and repair in those states.

In addtion, the company owns 42.5 percent of Insituform Midsouth, a general

partnership which is the exclusive licensee of the Insituform Process in Tennessee, most of Kentucky and northern Mississippi.

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NORRISTOWN, PA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - General Devices Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol: GDIC), an international engineering service and temporary help company, announced Thursday that it has extended the expiration date of all its currently outstanding 1980 warrants to purchase shares of its common stock, $ .01 par value per share.

The warrants which were to expire on Friday, Nov. 23, 1990, have been extended for one year and will now expire on Friday, Nov. 22, 1991.

The company has currently outstanding 89,920 warrants at an exercise price of $5.50 and an additional 20,000 warrants held by Bateman, Eichler, Hill, Richards Inc. at an exercise price of $4.65.

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BALTIMORE (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Allied Research Corp. (NASDAQ:ARAI) said its Barnes & Reinecke Inc. unit has received a contract from the U.S. Army for the purchase and evaluation of ARC's bullet trap rifle grenades.

Allied Research reported that, while the contract amount was relatively modest the potential for large volume production awards was significant.

At present, the U.S. Army relies on specialized grenade launchers to provide long-range grenade firepower. Using Allied Research rifle grenades, every rifleman can launch grenades hundreds of meters using a standard, unmodified service rifle.

Developed by Allied Research's Mecar S.A. unit, the bullet trap rifle grenades are launched by a standard live round. The bullet is actually trapped in the grenade, and its kinetic energy and propelling gases are used to propel the rifle grenade. After launching a Mecar bullet trap rifle grenade, a rifleman can return to standard round firing without any hesitation.

Some 35 countries have already acquired MECAR bullet trap rifle grenades.

Allied Research Corp. is a leading developer and producer of ammunition

systems, supplier of engineering services to defense departments worldwide and designer of advanced products and systems for industry.

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FLORENCE, AL (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of AlaTenn Resources Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ATNG) announced that it has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.275 cents per share.

The dividend will be paid Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 19, 1990.

AlaTenn Resources Inc. is a holding company with interest in natural gas gathering, transmission, distribution and marketing. The company's common stock is traded on the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol ATNG.

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MIAMI (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantis Group Inc. (AMEX:AGH) announced Thursday that it has entered into a definitive agreement for the sale of its Western Pioneer Insurance Co. subsidiary to Old Dominion Insurance Co.

The agreement is subject, among other things, to regulatory approval. Terms of the sale were not disclosed.

Earl W. Powell, Atlantis' chairman and chief executive officer, said that he expects the transaction to be consummated by late December or early January.

Atlantis, headquartered in Miami, is a diversified plastics and furniture manufacturing company. Old Dominion is a Florida-domiciled multi-lines, property and casualty insurance company.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Kelley Oil & Gas Partners Ltd. (AMEX: KLY) declared Thursday a third quarter distribution of 45 cents per unit on

9,828,659 outstanding units compared to a distribution of 32 cents per unit on 9,267,869 outstanding units for the comparable quarter in 1989.

The distribution is payable on Nov. 20, 1990 to unitholders of record on Nov. 13, 1990.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - David R. Hinson and Harry L. Mullikin have been elected new members of the board of PENWEST (NASDAQ:PENW), bringing the board to 11 members, and Robert G. Widmaier, who had been the company's vice president - technical director, was named to the newly created post of chief innovation officer.

Hinson is chairman, chief executive officer and a director of Chicago-based Midway Airlines and also a director of Continental Bank Corp. and Continental Bank N.A.

Mullikin is chairman emeritus and senior advisor of Westin Hotels & Resorts, and former chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Westin Hotels & Resorts, and is a director of UAL Corp., Seattle-First National Bank and the Seafirst Corp.

Widmaier, who holds a Ph.D. in pharmaceutical chemistry from Purdue University joined PENWEST in 1983. He will be responsible for the development of new products, new technologies and improved across-the-board efficiencies.

PENWEST develops, manufactures and markets specialty carbohydrate and synthetic polymer chemicals for papermaking. The company also produces and markets specialty food ingredients and agricultural nutrition supplements.

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NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--American International Group, Inc. (AIG) Thursday reported that its net income in the third quarter of 1990 increased to $336.8 million, or $1.62 per share, compared with $323.8 million, or $1.57 per share, in the same period of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income increased to $1.06 billion, or $5.13 per share, versus $1.02 billion, or $4.95 per share, in the first nine months of 1989. These per share figures are adjusted for the 25 percent common stock dividend paid on July 23, 1990, and include the effect of the shares issued in conjunction with the August 31, 1990 acquisition of International Lease Finance Corporation.

Third quarter revenues rose by 12.1 percent to $3.9 billion from $3.5 billion in the year-earlier quarter. For the first nine months of 1990, revenues totalled $11.4 billion compared with $10.4 billion in the prior year, an increase of 8.9 percent.

Income before income taxes increased 6.2 percent to $429.8 million in the third quarter of 1990 from $404.8 million in the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, income before income taxes of $1.34 billion represented an increase of 6.0 percent over the $1.27 billion recorded in the first nine months of 1989.

Included in these results were pre-tax realized capital gains of $12.8 million and $93.4 million for the third quarter and nine months of 1990, compared with $27.9 million and $96.1 million for the like periods in 1989.

Included in the 1990 operating results was the ''fresh start'' tax benefit, which reduced the provision for income taxes by approximately $7 million in the third quarter and $27 million for the first nine months of 1990. In 1989, the comparable ''fresh start'' figures were approximately $13 million and $46 million, respectively. At September 30, 1990, AIG's consolidated assets and capital funds approximated $55 billion and $9.5 billion, respectively.

AIG is the leading U.S.-based international insurance organization and the nation's largest underwriter of commercial and industrial coverages. Its member companies write property, casualty, marine, life and financial services insurance in over 130 countries and jurisdictions, and are engaged in a range of financial service businesses.

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MEMPHIS, TENN. (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Response Technologies Inc. (ASE:RTK, NASDAQ/NMS:BITXP) completed its previously announced private placement of securities with Dakota Ventures Inc. on Oct. 31, 1990.

The company sold 5.735 million shares of newly issued common stock at 50 cents per share to Dakota Ventures Inc. with warrants to purchase 6 million shares of common stock at prices ranging from 50 cents to 60 cents.

The investor will also purchase up to 4 million additional shares of common stock at 50 cents and receive warrants to purchase up to 3 million shares of common stock at prices ranging from 75 cents to $1 if the company achieves certain financial objectives.

If all shares are purchased and all warrants exercised, the investor will obtain a majority position in the company's common stock. The investor has had no previous association with the company. In connection with the transaction the holders of convertible debentures converted $2,165,000 of debt into 6,495,000 shares of common stock.

Response Technologies owns and operates IMPACT Centers which provide private practicing oncologists with the resources necessary to deliver advanced cancer treatments on an outpatient basis, principally through licensed pharmacies, laboratories and blood banks. The company operates IMPACT Centers in Memphis, Tampa and Hollywood, Fla., and Columbia, Mo.

The common stock of Response Technologies Inc. is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol RTK and its preferred stock is traded on the NASDAQ/NMS under the symbol BITXP.

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ORCHARD PARK, NY (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Astronics Corp. (NASDAQ: ATRO) Thursday announced results for the third quarter of 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter of 1990 increased nominally to $5,578,000 from $5,457,000 for the same period in 1989. The company earned $101,000, or 3 cents per share, compared to a loss of $883,000, or 23 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first three quarters of 1990, the company earned $154,000, or 4 cents per share, on sales of $16,504,000. In 1989, the company lost $2,019,000, or 52 cents per share, on sales of $16,190,000.

''After a very difficult period, we have realized four consecutive profitable quarters. Our present indicators suggest that these trends will continue for the foreseeable future,'' stated Kevin T. Keane, president and chief executive officer.

The backlog at Sept. 29, 1990 was $11 million compared to $10 million a year earlier. At Dec. 31, 1989, the backlog was $10.2 million.

Astronics' common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol ATRO.

Astronics Corp.
Consolidated Statement of Income
(dollars in thousands)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/29/90	9/30/89	9/29/90	9/30/89
Sales	$ 5,578	$ 5,457	$ 16,504	$ 16,190
Income (loss) before taxes	163	(795)	285	(1,885)
Provision for taxes	62	88	131	134
Net income (loss)	$ 101	$ (883)	$ 154	$ (2,019)
Net income (loss)/share	$ .03	$ (.23)	$ .04	$ (.52)
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,849	3,883	3,870	3,883

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John M. Yessa, 716/662-6640.

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STOCKHOLM, Sweden (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson has received an order valued at $14 million for the delivery of AXE and transmission equipment for Hungary's rural telecommunications network.

The order is seen as a breakthrough for Ericsson in the Hungarian public telecom market.

''Even though Ericsson has previously delivered an international switch and equipment for cellular mobile communications, we regard this order as our real breakthrough in the Hungarian market.

''This order increases our chances of becoming a major supplier to the

Hungarian PTT, which now faces a massive expansion program for their network,'' said Ragnar Baeck, regional manager at Ericsson Telecom AB.

This order also gives the new Ericsson-Muszertechnika joint venture company a flying start. Muszertechnika is a 400-employee Hungarian electronics company that primarily focuses on the development and production of computerized systems for the Hungarian market.

Ericsson has previously delivered an AXE for international telephone traffic. It has served Budapest since its installation in March , 1989. Ericsson has also recently, and very rapidly, installed a cellular mobile system to serve Budapest and its suburbs. This is the first cellular mobile telephone system in Central Europe.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications. Ericsson is recognized for its advanced systems and products for wired and mobile comunications in public and private networks. Ericsson is also a leading supplier of electronic defense systems. Ericsson ADRs are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ERICY.

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GREENVILLE, S.C. (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The Liberty Corp. (NYSE:LC) Tuesday announced operating earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $5.6 million, or 71 cents per share, compared with third quarter 1989 operating earnings of $5.1 million, or 60 cents per share.

Total net income for the quarter was $5.5 million, or 70 cents per share, compared with net income for the year-earlier period of $5.6 million, or 66 cents per share.

The third quarter net income comparison includes realized investment losses of $92,000, or 1 cent per share, compared with realized investment gains of $537,000, or 6 cents per share, for the year-earlier period.

Revenues from operations for the quarter were $84.5 million compared with $85.2 million last year.

Operating earnings for the first nine months were $20.1 million, or $2.41 per share, compared with $11.5 million, or $1.35 per share, last year. Total net income was $18.4 million, or $2.20 per share, compared with $15.0 million, or $1.76 per share in the year-earlier period.

Revenues from operations were up 3 percent to $251.8 million compared with

$245.0 million last year.

Liberty Life's operating earnings of $7.4 million were 2 percent ahead of last year's third quarter earnings of $7.2 million. Earnings for the first nine months were $23.2 million, up 25 percent from $18.6 million last year. Revenues from operations for the quarter increased 3 percent and were up 10 percent for the first nine months of 1990.

Continued favorable lapse experience in the home service line and strong premium growth were largely offset by a slowdown in investment income growth.

Cosmos Broadcasting reported net earnings of $2.9 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared with earnings of $1.8 million last year. Earnings for the first nine months were $9.0 million compared with $5.2 million a year ago.

The Liberty Corp., headquartered in Greenville, is a holding company whose principal subsidiaries are Liberty Life Insurance Co. and Cosmos Broadcasting Corp. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, trading under the symbol LC.

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CORAL GABLES, FLA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - BLOC Development Corp. (NASDAQ:BDEV) Thursday announced operating results for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, revenues rose 176 percent to $7.25 million as compared to $2.63 million for the comparable period in 1989.

Pre-tax earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $101,000 compared to $362,000 and net earnings were $63,000 (nil per share on 20 million shares) for the current period compared to $215,000 (1 cent per share on 16 million shares) for the comparable period in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, revenues, pre-tax earnings and net earnings rose 214 percent, 225 percent and 272 percent, respectively, to $19.86 million, $2.26 million and $1.54 million (8 cents per share on 19.5 million shares) compared to $6.31 million, $697,000 and $414,000 (3 cents per share on 15.5 million shares) for the like period last year.

The company's third quarter 1990 revenues rose slightly from second quarter 1990 levels, while net earnings decreased. The current quarter's earnings were impacted by several factors relating primarily to continued

across-the-board operational expansion and increased development, sales and marketing efforts.

Based in Coral Gables, Fla., BLOC develops, publishes and markets business, personal productivity and information management software products for the MS-DOS, Microsoft Windows and Apple MacIntosh markets. In addition, the company provides business automation services to small and mid-size businesses.

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ENFIELD, CT (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - LEGO Systems Inc. announces that its LEGO WEAR line of children's clothing will now be available nationwide.

In August, 1990, LEGO Systems, makers of the world's best selling construction toys, successfully introduced LEGO WEAR in select markets. The clothing, sporting the popular LEGO logo and scenes from the LEGO play environments, includes four brightly colored sweatshirts, three pairs of sweatpants, a blue stonewashed denim jacket and a matching pair of denim pants. LEGO WEAR comes in boys' sizes 5-7 and toddler sizes 2T and 4T, with suggested retail prices ranging from $13.00 to $37.00.

LEGO WEAR is now available at Burdines in Southern Florida; Dayton-Hudson in Detroit and Minneapolis; Dillards in Ft. Worth, Little Rock, Phoenix, San Antonio, and St. Louis; Foley in Houston; all G. Fox locations; in 75 J.C. Penney stores, nationally at Lord & Taylor; Macy's in Atlanta, New York and San Francisco; Marshall Fields in Illinois, Ohio and Texas; Steiger's in Springfield, Mass.; Strawbridge & Clothier in Philadelphia; and at Woodward & Lothrop in Washington D.C.

The inspiration for LEGO WEAR came from the company's ''Jack the LEGO MANIAC'' television commercials, developed by LINTAS: New York. In the commercials ''Jack'' sports a denim jacket with the LEGO logo prominently displayed on the back. Says LEGO Systems Group Product Manager Robert Ellis, ''Our Consumer Affairs department has been flooded with calls from children who want to wear a LEGO jacket just like Jack's. Before these commercials we had no idea there was such a high level of interest in LEGO clothing.''

The clothing, developed by LEGO Systems and Licensing Firm S.R. Gent USA, incorporates the ''Space'' and ''Pirate'' themes of the company's play sets. According to Ellis, ''Our children's clothing will complement the LEGO product line and will help build brand wareness. The clothes are mix and match, well made, and creatively designed. The philosophy behind LEGO WEAR is identical to that of LEGO toys: 'Only the best is good enough.''

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AMSTELVEEN, THE NETHERLANDS (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The consolidated statements of earnings for the three and six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 are as follows (in millions of Dutch guilders, except per share amounts.) (NYSE:KLM).

Second quarter 1990/91 net income amounts to nlg 42.7 million compared to nlg 162.3 million in the 1989/90 second quarter. The pre-tax results earned through normal company operations amount to nlg 77.1 million profit as compared to nlg 228.5 million the previous year.

Ton-mile traffic this quarter was 8 percent higher than the previous year. Ton-mile capacity also grew 8 percent. Load factor increased over the previous years's level by 0.2 points to 72.8 percent.

Operating revenues increased 1 percent to nlg 1801 million. Total operating expenses increased by nlg 166.4 million (+11 percent) to nlg 1707 million.

In spite of the 8 percent traffic increase, traffic revenues have not risen. This was caused by the sharp decline in the exchange rates of currencies including the dollar, yen and pound sterling. Their negative influence on average yield was more than 9 percent.

Further causes for the decline in second quarter results are the higher costs incurred for aircraft fuel, materials and consumables, insurance premiums and higher interest rates and further, the diminished return on holdings.

Fuel prices in U.S. dollars averaged 20 percent higher this quarter than the previous year. Expressed in guilders, fuel costs increased 4 percent, since overall for this quarter lower dollar prices compensated for fuel price increases. Fuel consumption was 6 percent higher.

The considerable increase in costs of materials and consumables was caused by the higher price of technical materials and higher consumption for engine maintenance and passenger care.

As has previously been announced, current prospects indicate that a significant loss will be incurred this fiscal year.

This report is unaudited.

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WALTHAM, MA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Cambex Corp.'s net income nearly doubled on a 49 percent increase in revenue for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Both revenue and net income reached record levels in the fiscal year, the manufacturer of computer storage systems said.

Net income for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990 was $4,013,000, equal to $1.34 per share, compared to $2,190,000, or 78 cents per share, in fiscal year 1989. Revenue for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990, reached $30,119,000, up from $20,254,000 in the previous fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1989.

For the fourth quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, net income was $1,324,000, or 47 cents per share, compared to $1,185,000, or 43 cents per share, in the 1989 fourth quarter. Revenue for the 1990 fourth quarter was $8,767,000, compared to $7,308,000 in the same period the previous year.

The European market represents about 40 percent of the potential market for Cambex mainframe computer memory products, Kruy said.

Cambex shipped more than 20 billion bytes of its STOR/9000 memory storage products to users of IBM's largest mainframe computers, the System/3090 series in fiscal 1990, up from eight billion bytes in the prior year. ''Barring a severe recession, we expect customer demand for STOR/9000 central and expanded memory and our new STOR/3993 cache storage product to remain good,'' Kruy said.

Cambex (NASDAQ:CBEX), headquartered in Waltham, Mass., designs and manufactures memory storage systems for IBM mainframe computers and software and peripheral equipment for IBM midrange systems.

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BASKING RIDGE, NJ (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Hooper Holmes Inc. (AMEX:HH), a leading healthcare and health information services company declared a fourth quarter cash dividend of $.085 per share to shareholders of record as of Nov. 9, 1990, payable on Nov. 23, 1990.

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Fred Lash, 201/766-5000

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BOCA RATON, FL (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Financial Benefit Group Inc. (NASDAQ:FBGIA) Thursday reported increased revenues for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30.

However, net income declined compared with prior periods due to write-downs of the carrying values of certain corporate bonds.

Earnings before realized investment losses and income taxes for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 73 percent to $399,000 from $231,000 for the like period in 1989. Losses from investments were $564,000 for the 1990 third quarter compared to a gain from investments of $626,000 during the 1989 third quarter.

Losses from investments for the three months included write-downs of certain securities in the company's bond portfolio which represented a small percentage of the total portfolio.

The net loss for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $305,000, or 6 cents per share, compared with net income of $600,000, or 11 cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Revenues for the quarter increased 67 percent to $12.7 million, compared with $7.6 million for the 1989 third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, earnings before realized investment losses and income taxes increased to $1.9 million from $284,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Losses from investments for the 1990 nine month period, which included bond write-downs of $2.1 million, were $1.8 million compared to a gain from investments of $1.1 million during the nine month period of 1989.

The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $564,000, or 11 cents per share, compared with earnings of $878,000, or 17 cents per share for the 1989 period. For the nine months of 1990, revenues increased 93 percent to $33.6 million from $17.4 million for the 1989 nine month period.

Retirement annuity sales of Financial Benefit Life Insurance Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the company, decreased to $51.6 million for the quarter while increasing to $189.7 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30.

This compares with $67.9 million and $187.7 million, respectively, for the like periods in 1989. As a result of the above operations, the company's assets increased to an unprecedented high of $605.8 million, a 53 percent increase over the Dec. 31, 1989 assets of $395.7 million.

Financial Benefit Group Inc.'s Class A Common Stock trades on the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol FBGIA.

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CLUTE, TX (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Benchmark Electronics Inc. (ASE:BHE) has leased a facility in the Portland, Ore., suburb of Beaverton.

The addition of the facility is the first step in the company's strategy to provide prompt, turnkey printed circuit board assembly services to current and future customers with operations in the western United States. The company also announced a record $15 million backlog of orders as of Oct. 31.

Benchmark will renovate the Beaverton facility, equipping it with state-of-the-art assembly machinery capable of using both surface-mount and pin-through-hole interconnection technologies. The facility increases the company's manufacturing capacity in the near term and provides additional space for future capacity expansion as warranted. The company anticipates that the facility will be fully operational in the first quarter of 1991.

Due to an increase in bookings from customers in the western United States, as well as orders from new and existing customers, Benchmark had a record $15 million backlog of orders as of Oct. 31.

Nigbor will supervise the renovation, equipping and initial operation of the Beaverton facility. Benchmark will use a portion of the net proceeds from its recent initial public offering to pay the costs of leasing, renovating and equipping the facility.

Benchmark Electronics Inc., provides manufacturing services, specializing in the assembly of printed circuit boards, for original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) in the electronics industry, including manufacturers of communications equipment, business computers, testing equipment, medical devices and industrial instruments.

In July 1990, the company completed its initial public offering of 1.1 million shares of common stock, which trades on the American Stock Exchange under the new symbol BHE.

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Donald E. Nigbor or Cary T. Fu, 409/265-0991

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ARNHEM, THE NETHERLANDS (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Akzo nv (NASDAQ:AKZOY), the

global chemical and pharmaceutical company based in the Netherlands, Thursday announced that its net income for the third quarter of 1990 totaled NLG (Netherlands guilders) 166 million, compared to NLG 224 million for the same period last year.

Net income for the first nine months totaled NLG 573 million, 21 percent lower than in the same period last year. Per share net income for the January-September period decreased from NLG 16.66 in 1989 to NLG 12.90 in 1990.

Akzo is a global diversified chemical company with operations in 50 countries. In the United States and Canada it employs some 10,000 persons at more than 150 locations.

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Joost Slooten or George Arfield, 212/382-5500.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - CEM Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:CEMX) Thursday said that it expects fiscal 1991 to represent the company's sixth consecutive year of record earnings.

Speaking at the annual meeting of shareholders, Michael J. Collins, president and chief executive officer, said that CEM was benefiting from an expanded marketing program and the continuing development of additional applications for its products.

He remarked: ''CEM has established a worldwide leadership in microwave-based instrumentation. Fiscal 1991 has started on a strong note with a favorable pattern in orders from both U.S. and foreign customers. Our plans for the introduction of new products adds to our confidence about being able to attain continued growth for fiscal 1991 as a whole.''

In its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, CEM reported record revenues of $18.6 million and a new high in earnings of $2.6 million, or 55 cents per share. Last month CEM reported results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 which included a 29 percent increase in revenues to $5 million and a 17 percent gain in earnings to 14 cents per share.

At the annual meeting, shareholders re-elected Michael J. Collins, Ronald A. Norelli, John L. Chanon and Francis H. Zenie as directors. Other actions included approving an increase in the number of shares available for stock options for directors and ratifying Coopers & Lybrand as CEM's independent public accountants for fiscal 1991.

CEM produces microwave-based instrumentation for testing and analysis. The company's products are used in many manufacturing and processing industries,

including chemical and food processing, and the general analytical laboratory market.

CONTACT: CEM Corp., Charlotte
C. Phillip Brown, 704/821-7015

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Thursday announced a six-cent decrease in the domestic spot selling price of electrolytic copper.

Its new price, which is effective immediately, is $1.20 per pound for cathodes on a delivered basis.

CONTACT: ASARCO Incorporated, New York
Gerard F. Corbett, 212/510-1810

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ALBANY, NY (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Albany International Corp. (NYSE/PSE:AIN) Thursday voted regular quarterly dividends of $.0875 per share on the Class A and Class B Common Stock, payable Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 11, 1990.

Albany International is the world's largest producer of paper machine clothing with 36 manufacturing plants located in twelve countries.

CONTACT: Albany International Corp., Albany, Susan Tenerowicz, 518/445-2284

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys and AT&T's UNIX System Laboratories (USL) Thursday announced an agreement whereby the two companies will jointly market ALLY, a fourth generation language (4GL) tool from Unisys that will be fully integrated with TUXEDO, AT&T's transaction processing system for its UNIX System V.

ALLY was selected by USL based on its robust development environment, the ability to access multiple industry-standard data bases, and its integration with TUXEDO.

Under the terms of today's Unisys-USL agreement, the two companies will work together on marketing materials, joint sales calls, promotions and trade shows supplemented by extensive cross-training of each other's personnel. This

cooperative arrangement is intended to accelerate the implementation of

USL and Unisys have a long history of cooperation in delivering products for the Open Systems Market. The integration of ALLY and TUXEDO demonstrates the commitment of both companies to open systems and standards.

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Mike Stugrin, 215/986-2867

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COLUMBUS, OHIO (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Meret Inc. (NASDAQ:MRET) reported Thursday net income of $93,112, or 1 cent per share, for its fiscal year ended July 31, compared to a net income of $353,388, or 4 cents per share, for fiscal 1989.

Total revenues for fiscal 1990 were $12,204,630 vs. $10,348,782 for fiscal 1989.

For the fourth quarter ended July 31, 1990, a loss of $97,084 was incurred on total revenues of $3,255,213 compared to net income of $48,234 on total revenues of $2,726,549 for the final quarter of fiscal 1989.

Commenting on the 1990 fiscal year results, Meret Chairman and President Bruce W. Krysiak said: ''Over the past two years, we have recognized a need for geographical expansion of our marketing and selling efforts. During fiscal 1990, RPA made significant strides in this regard. Our New York sales office opened in April 1989, produced excellent sales results in fiscal 1990 and has provided an entree' into new markets for RPA.

''Additionally, we opened an office in London, England, during January 1990, in an effort to better serve the European marketplace. After an initial period of marketing and development, this office has begun to produce acceptable results. RPA also opened three regional design offices in Seattle (August 1989), Atlanta (April 1990) and Boston (July 1990), to provide design services to businesses located in each of those geographic areas. While the costs associated with these new offices served to reduce fiscal 1990 net income, we believe the marketing and sales base now established will be a key element in the future growth of RPA.''

Fiscal 1990 results were also adversely impacted by the start-up costs incurred in connection with the company's college convenient store concept. Due in part to the publicly disclosed financial difficulties of The Southland Corp. as well as the lengthy decision-making process encountered at various colleges and universities, efforts to market this concept have met with little success to date.

Meret operates Retail Planning Associates, one of the world's largest retail consulting and design firms.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Millicom Inc. (NASDAQ: MILL) announced Thursday that its subsidiary, PCN America Inc., is cooperating with Northern Telecom in testing Personal Communications Network (PCN) systems, initially in support of trials under Millicom's experimental licenses in Houston, Texas and Orlando, Fla.

In these trials, Millicom intends to demonstrate the ability of wide-band code division multiple access PCN radio systems to coexist with terrestrial microwave without harmful interference to either service.

Northern Telecom will support Millicom in the design and conduct of the trials the analysis of the results of those trials, and the specification of equipment that may be required to support future operational PCNs, taking account of the measured data. The Houston and Orlando activity is expected to be completed in mid-1991.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

Millicom Inc. is a diversified international communications company with primary interests in radio telephony, alphanumeric paging and satellite television .

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J. Shelby Bryan, 212/355-3440

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert S. Johnson, chairman of First Savings Bancorp (NASDAQ:FFNS), parent of First Financial Savings Association, F.A., Cincinnati, announced that on Oct. 30, the board of directors declared a cash dividend of 18 cents per share on the company's outstanding common stock.

The cash dividend is payable on Nov. 21, to stockholders of record as of Nov.

Johnson noted that the dividend represents the fourteenth dividend paid on the company's common stock since First Financial converted to stock ownership in April 1987.

CONTACT: First Savings Bancorp, Cincinnati
Joseph D. Hughes, 513/321-3200

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MIAMI (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - American Bankers Insurance Group Inc. (NASDAQ:ABIG) announced Thursday that net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $7.2 million or 50 cents per share vs. net income of $1.5 million or 10 cents per share for the like period of 1989.

On a fully diluted basis, net income per share for the third quarter of 1990 was 44 cents compared to 15 cents for the like period of 1989.

Net income for the third quarter of 1989 was adversely affected by Hurricane Hugo. Losses from Hurricane Hugo reduced net income for the third quarter of 1989 by 29 cents per share (20 cents per share on a fully diluted basis).

Earnings from insurance operations for the third quarter of 1990 increased $7.4 million or 162 percent over the like quarter of 1989. This increase is primarily attributed to reduced storm losses during the quarter. The 1989 results included approximately $5.8 million in pre-tax losses, net of reinsurance, from Hurricane Hugo whereas no catastrophe losses were incurred in 1990.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $19.8 million or $1.37 per share vs. net income of $13.6 million or 94 cents per share for the like period of 1989. On a fully diluted basis, net income per share was $1.21 for the first nine months compared to 90 cents in 1989.

R. Kirk Landon, chairman and chief executive officer of ABIG was quoted as saying, ''Despite difficulties currently being reported by several insurance companies with their investments, the Company's investment philosophy has relatively insulated the Company from such problems.'' As of Sept. 30, 83 percent of the company's invested assets were bonds.

The compnay has a high quality bond portfolio with approximately 90 percent of the bond portfolio being rated as A or better according to the ratings published by Standard and Poors Corp. The remaining balance of the bond portfolio consists primarly of private placements which are not rated.

The balance of the company's investment portfolio primarily consists of

mortgage loans and real estate occupied by the company. As a result of the composition and quality of the company's investment portfolio, the company does not foresee any potential impairment to the value of its investments at this time.

Gross collected premiums for the third quarter of 1990 were $240.7 million compared with $207 million for the third quarter of 1989. Expanded sales of Property and Casualty products principally accounted for the growth in gross collected premiums.

Stockholders' equity was $171.3 million and Book Value per share was $11.87 at Sept. 30.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - In a move to further integrate the delivery of service solutions to customers as part of a total market-driven effort, and to enhance its emphasis on marketing quality throughout the United States, IBM Thursday announced a realignment of its service headquarters functions within the U.S. Marketing & Services organization.

The realignment includes the creation of the IBM Systems Services Division under the Application Solutions organization, further strengthening IBM's commitment to provide world-class solutions to customer needs in specific industry marketplaces.

The new division will focus on outsourcing, or customizing solutions for customers who wish to contract for the management of all or part of their information processing operations. The National Service Division (NSD) had been responsible for systems services.

Also announced was a new organization, Marketing & Services Quality, headed by IBM Vice President David E. McDowell, which is responsible for guidance of market-driven quality as well as the Marketing & Services information systems strategy and application architecture essential to achieving quality goals. In addition, McDowell, who reports to George H. Conrades, IBM senior vice president and general manager, U.S. Marketing & Services, will have responsibility for IBM's hardware maintenance business which has an important role in IBM's overall quality emphasis.

Software service and service marketing, formerly part of NSD, now report to William O. Grabe, IBM vice president and general manager, marketing, Marketing & Services. This alignment positions these functions within the organization responsible for technical support and marketing.

IBM Systems Services Division is responsible for addressing growing customer demand for help in managing specific information processing and network operations and resources.

These services range from total management of customers' information processing operations to disaster recovery support and other services that enable customers to focus their attention and resources on managing their core businesses.

Dennie M. Welsh has been named president of the new division, reporting to Ned C. Lautenbach, IBM vice president and general manager, Application Solutions. Welsh was vice president, federal systems, Federal Sector Division.

CONTACT: IBM Corp., White Plains
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JACKSON, MI (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - EastGroup Properties (ASE:EGP) announced Thursday the results for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Cash from operations was 48 cents per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to 46 cents per share for the same period last year and $1.41 per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $1.26 per share for the same period last year. Cash from operations is defined as cash from operating activities before changes in accrued assets and liabilities.

The trust's net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $354,000 (14 cents per share). Of this amount, $779,000 (31 cents per share) was income from operations and $425,000 (17 cents per share) represented the trust's loss on sales of investments.

These figures compare with net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989 of $594,000 (24 cents per share). Of this amount $621,000 (25 cents per share) was income from operations and $27,000 (1 cent per share) represented the trust's loss on sales of investments.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, the trust reported net income of $2,703,000 ($1.08 per share) and $15,934,000 ($6.32 per share). Of these amounts, $2,202,000 (88 cents per share) and $1,691,000 (67 cents per share) were from operations and $501,000 (20 cents per share) and $14,243,000 ($5.65 per share) were from gains.

The trust now has completed the sales of all five of the motel properties acquired in the 1989 foreclosure proceedings for a total net gain of

approximately $2 million which does not include approximately $230,000 of deferred gains.

These motels generated operating losses of $74,000 (3 cents per share) in the third quarter and $385,000 (15 cents per share) in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

David H. Hoster II, executive vice-president of the trust, stated that the sale of the motels had taken longer to accomplish than originally anticipated due to the deteriorating market for this type of property. He added that the sales will have a positive effect on recurring earnings because the motels were experiencing operating losses.

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PARAMUS, NJ (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Jennifer Convertibles Inc. (NASDAQ:JENN) announced Thursday that a company owned by Fred Love, Ed Seidner and Harley Greenfield who are directors and principal stockholders of Jennifer Inc. had advised Jennifer of its intention, subject to market conditions and prices, to acquire up to 100,000 shares of Jennifer's Common Stock in open market purchases from time to time over the next six months to a year.

The company further advised Jennifer that shares purchased by it, if any, would be held for investment.

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Lisa Schwartz, 201/343-1610

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ARLINGTON TEXAS (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Techbyte International Inc., with offices in Montreal and Arlington, Thursday announced publication of ClassMaster, a productivity tool for use by teachers in the classroom.

Designed and developed in a cooperative effort with classroom teachers, ClassMaster is a versatile and powerful software tool for use in a variety of functions, including classroom management, student achievement, and student performance projection.

A unique and attractive capability of ClassMaster allows the import and export of ClassMaster data to and from central computer systems, thereby allowing ClassMaster to fit into and function within environments using existing mini- or mainframe central computer systems and administrative software.

The user interface and the style of user interaction make ClassMaster particularly attractive for teachers to use to interface with central software administrative systems of Canada. Several educational installations of ClassMaster have already been made prior to publication.

Techbyte has recently granted a non-exclusive license to ClassMaster to the William K. Bradford Publishing Co., a Massachusetts-based educational software publishing company, for publication of ClassMaster under Bradford's own private label. Bradford distributes educational software throughout the United States into the kindergarten through twelfth grade school market.

The current version of ClassMaster is designed for the Apple Macintosh computer system, and is compatible with the new Macintosh systems announced on Oct. 15. A version of ClassMaster for PC-compatible computer systems is planned for early 1991, according to Techbyte.

Techbyte International Inc., a federally incorporated company, was established in 1984 and has its head office in Longueuil, Quebec. In November 1989 Techbyte International (USA) Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Techbyte International of Quebec, was established in the United States, and is based in Arlington, Texas. Onyx Informatique Inc. of Montreal, a wholly owned subsidiary of Techbyte International, produces computer-based training materials for business and commercial customers.

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William Gattis, President, 817/261-8487
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Ron Moore, 514/670-9452 (Longueuil, Quebec)

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WOONSOCKET, RI (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - At its regular quarterly meeting on Oct. 31, 1990, the board of directors of the Providence and Worcester Railroad Co. declared a regular semiannual dividend of 5 cents on each outstanding share of common stock of the company, payable Nov. 29, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

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Heidi J. Eddins, 508/752-0272

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RICHMOND, VA. (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Hilb, Rogal and Hamailton Co. (NASDAQ: HRHC) Thursday announced the completion of the acquisition of a local insurance agency by three of its subsidiaries.

Terms were not disclosed.

According to Robert H. Hilb, president of Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co., three subsidiaries acquired substantially all the assets of a local insurance agency. The company's Daytona Beach, Fla. office acquired the insurance agency business of The Insurance Shop Inc.; and its Phoenix office acquired the insurance agency business of L.H. Edwards & Associates Inc. Additionally, the company's Savannah, Ga. insurance agency acquired by merger the local insurance agency of Dixon Sheehan Titus Inc.

Hilb commented: ''These acquisitions represent part of Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co.'s plan for orderly growth by acquisitions. In all of these cases our local offices found these candidates and negotiated the transactions on terms favorable to all parties. And, of course, we expect to reap the benefits of certain economies of scale achieved through combining operations.''

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. provides insurance agency services to a wide variety of clients through its network of wholly owned subsidiaries which operate 40 insurance agencies in 16 states and the District of Columbia. The company is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol HRHC.

CONTACT: Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co., Richmond
Robert H. Hilb, 804/747-6500

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Zemex Corp. experienced a net loss of $274,000 or 14 cents per share in the first nine months of 1990 compared with a net loss of $937,000 or 52 cents per share in the same period of 1989.

A net loss of $331,000 or 14 cents per share in the third quarter this year compares with a net loss of $347,000 or 19 cents per share in the third quarter last year.

The third quarter loss reflects weak business conditions in many of the industries served by the company's industrial minerals operation. The progress reported earlier in the year in reducing costs and increasing profitability in this business segment was eclipsed by a drop in sales volume in the third quarter, particularly in the month of September.

Cost reduction efforts are being increased and the underlying improving trend in profitability is expected to re-emerge as sales volumes recover. In spite of the economic slowdown, Crystal operations improved from year earlier levels.

Metal powders had a strong third quarter in spite of the economic slowdown. Construction of the new atomized steel powder facility progressed well with

steel erection at an advanced stage and much of the new plant's equipment on site at the end of September.

Tin operations continued to be affected by depressed tin prices in the third quarter but remained profitable through excellent cost performance.

CONTACT: Zemex Corp., New York
  Donald G. Shanks, 212/557-2020

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - ACTV Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol: IATV) Thursday reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

For the third quarter the company reported revenues of $258,620 and a net loss of $699,604, or 17 cents a share, compared with no revenues and a loss of $389,266, or 13 cents a share, for the comparable quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, revenues were $354,278, with a net loss of $2,189,584, or 64 cents a share, compared with no revenue and a loss of $1,234,508, or 40 cents a share, for the comparable period
 in 1989.

The 1990 revenue reflects initial sales of various ACTV training products while the increase in operating expenses resulted from the inclusion of losses of ACTV Domestic, the company's 70 percent owned subsidiary, in the 1990 results.

On May 4, the company completed its initial public offering of 977,500 common shares and 977,500 redeemable warrants.

ACTV Inc., has developed and is marketing new television technologies that allow viewers to personalize what they are watching by responding to choices and questions posed by the programming. The choices viewers make instantly change and customize the programs they are watching.

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HARRISON, AK (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Sheridan Garrison, president of Arkansas Freightways Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:AFWY) Thursday announced that the company had earned a ranking on Forbes Magazine's 1990 list of the ''200 Best Small Companies in America.''

The listing has been published in the Nov. 12 issue of Forbes.

Forbes evaluated more than 4,300 companies nationwide with revenues between $1 million and $350 million. To qualify, companies had to have a five-year average annual return on equity greater than 10 percent, minimum five-year annual earnings and sales growth rates of 8 percent; debt no greater than equity and no recent earnings or stock market reverses.

Ranked by the five-year average return on equity, Arkansas Freightways was 25th on the list of 200.

This was the second time this year that the company had been recognized by a national magazine. The company made Business Week's 100 best small companies in May 1990.

Arkansas Freightways Corp. is a scheduled, for hire, common and contract motor carrier transporting primarily less-than-truckload shipments of general commodities, serving all points in Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, western Tennessee, and the Chicago metropolitan area. The company operates a fleet of 4,548 pieces of revenue equipment from 100 terminals.

CONTACT: Arkansas Freightways Corp., Harrison
James R. Dodd, 501/741-9000

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CONCORD, MASS. (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad Inc. has launched a major new version of its System HILO suite of design analysis, verification and test generation tools for the electronic equipment manufacturing industry.

The new release, System HILO 4, is designed to offer the best simulation capability within any EDA environment. The complete range of System HILO simulation tools have been enhanced for added functionality as well as higher levels of speed and accuracy.

''System HILO 4 brings higher quality designs to market faster because it supports all aspects of simulation throughout the whole design process,'' said Roger Ball, Managing Director, GenRad Design Automation Products. ''System HILO is the ideal core simulation system to support a concurrent engineering environment.''

System HILO 4 can operate with the industry standard VHDL (VHSIC Hardware Description Language) as well as GenRad's own hardware description language, GHDL. VHDL and GHDL modeling can be mixed freely at any level. Whether VHDL or GHDL is used, System HILO 4 provides a complete source level debug facility.

System HILO 4 incorporates an improved user interface with a Motif based

X-Windows driven display. All menus and displays have a standard format, making the integration of System HILO 4 into CAE environments doubly attractive.

System HILO is now integrated into the Valid Logic Systems Inc. environment, using the Valid Logic User Environment (VALUE). It operates through Valid's CAE Views, and provides a direct link from the Valid GED schematic to System HILO 4.

For ASIC design, the VHDL solution offered supports logic synthesis from Synopsis Inc. In addition, GenRad is currently developing its own bilingual synthesis capability, due for completion in 1991.

''System HILO 4 has the technical capability to effectively simulate large; high complexity; submicron ASICs on a workstation,'' said Ball. Through accuracy, performance and Language Driven Design, it helps designers achieve optimum productivity without compromising design quality.''

GenRad Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems and automatic test equipment to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing, and process quality management. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its symbol is GEN.

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Raymond F. McNulty, 508/369-4400, ext. 2970
or
GenRad Ltd., Fareham, Hants, U.K.
Julian Willans, 0329 822 240

-30- 2771

#90305b0860 11/01/1990 ~Business Wire

DALLAS (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Southmark Corp. (NASDAQ:SMRK) Thursday reported results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended June 30.

For the three months ended June 30 Southmark recorded a net loss of $109.8 million or $2.25 per common share, compared with a net loss of $330.4 million or $7.51 per common share a year earlier. Fourth quarter revenues totaled $90.9 million, vs. $123.4 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

For the 12 months ended June 30 the net loss was $316.8 million or $6.64 per common share, compared with a net loss of $1.5 billion or $33.16 per common share in the prior year. Fiscal 1990 revenues were $186.8 million, vs. $817.2 million a year earlier.

CONTACT: Southmark Corp., Dallas, Susan A. Seiter, 214/241-8787

-30- 937
#90305b0869 11/01/1990 ~Business Wire
STAMFORD, CONN (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Trenwick Group Inc. declared a quarterly dividend in the amount of 12 cents per share of common stock to be paid on Jan. 11, 1991 to common stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 21, 1990.

CONTACT: Trenwick Group Inc., Stamford, Barbara R. Freed, 203/353-5500

-30- 509
#90305b0876 11/01/1990 ~Business Wire
BOCA RATON, FLA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The directors of Rodime PLC (Rodime) announced Thursday that an agreement has been reached with IBM to settle the patent litigation between the two companies.

Under the terms of the agreement, which is subject to certain confidentiality obligations, both Rodime PLC and IBM have agreed to withdraw all pending legal actions and the parties have entered into mutual releases and a patent cross-licensing agreement.

These agreements provide for a payment from IBM to Rodime. The amount of IBM's payment will be held confidential to the parties, but Peter Bailey, managing director of Rodime, described the amount as being material from Rodime's standpoint.

Bailey further stated, ''This represents a significant milestone for Rodime. The agreement with IBM is an important step in Rodime's strategy of enforcing its patents.''

Rodime PLC, based in Glenrothes, Scotland, designs, manufactures and markets hard disk drives on a worldwide basis. In addition to the Scottish complex, which manufactures disk drives for European customers and houses a major engineering and repair center.

Rodime operates its flagship manufacturing facilities in Singapore. Additional Rodime facilities include U.S. headquarters and an engineering center in Boca Raton, and numerous field sales offices in Europe, the Far East and North America.

CONTACT: Dorf & Stanton Technology Communications, New York Joel A. Strasser, 212/420-8100

-30- 1652
#90305b0882 11/01/1990 ~Business Wire
BATAVIA, NY (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Graham Corp. (ASE:GHM) Thursday

announced a regular quarterly dividend of seven cents per share, payable Jan. 2, 1991 to stock held of record on Dec. 3, 1990.

Graham designs and manufactures vacuum and heat transfer equipment for the process industries.

CONTACT: Graham Corp., Batavia, A.L. Snyder or B.L. O'Brien, 716/343-2216 or Thacher Proffitt & Wood, New York, Cornelius S. Van Rees or William A. Smith Jr., 212/912-7650 0r 7648

-30- 645

#90305b0887 11/01/1990 ~Business Wire

BOSTON (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Keane Inc. (AMEX:KEA) was named 63 in a list of ''The 200 Best Small Companies in America'' published in the Nov. 12, 1990 issue of Forbes.

The list was compiled from 4,300 public U.S. corporations with 12 month sales between $5M and $350M. A five year time interval to test for consistency of earnings and sales growth was used to judge companies. Keane earned its ranking with a 5-year return on equity of 21.3 percent, 33.6 percent over the lastest 12 months, and a 66 percent 5-year earnings per share growth rate. Keane was ranked as
124 in the Forbes 200 list during 1989.

In addition to the Forbes article, over the past 12 months Keane has been listed as one of the best performing companies in the United States by Fortune and Financial World. Keane was also honored in June as the top performing ''Company of the Year'' in Massachusetts by The Boston Globe.

For the first nine months of 1990, Keane's revenues were $69,811,000 vs. $53,553,000 last year, and net income was $3,864,000, up 48 percent as compared with $2,609,000 in 1989. Earnings per share for the nine month period was 85 cents per share (on 4,570,841 shares) vs. 67. cents-(a) per share (on 3,871,500 shares) a year ago.

Keane Inc. is a $95M custom software development company which designs, develops, integrates and maintains software for corporations and hospitals. Headquartered in Boston, the company markets its services through a network of 20 branch offices located in the Eastern half of the United States.

(a)-E.P.S. for 1989 reflect Keane's 3-for-2 stock split in the form of a stock dividend distributed Feb. 14, 1990 to shareholders of record as of January 24, 1990.

CONTACT: Keane Inc., Boston
Larry Vale, 617/241-9200

-30- 1971
#90305b0888 11/01/1990 ~Business Wire

HOOFDDORP, The Netherlands (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Intergraph Corp. (NASDAQ:INGR) announced the opening of an office in the eastern part of the newly reunified Germany.

The office is in Chemnitz, in the state of Sachsen.

Instrumental in Building Process ''We are pleased to be one of the first high technology companies to open an office in the eastern part of Germany, '' stated Intergraph president Eliott James. ''Intergraph's computer graphics systems for mapping, utilities, civil engineering and architectural design can help the eastern part of Gemany rebuild its infrastructure.

''Other Intergraph software -- especially for design and manufacturing -- can better equip German industries who have become part of a market economy,'' he added.

Provide Support in the Industry

The new Intergraph office will provide intergrated solutions to support key applications in the process industry, such as facility layout and management, building design and utility mapping.

Temporary Facilities

''Toward the end of 1991, the Chemnitz office will be relocated to Dresden, the cultural and commercial center of East Germany,'' said James. The new Intergraph office will be headed by Rainer Gorlitz, a previous representative of Intergraph for the Future Convoy Co. in Eastern Germany and Klaus Teichert, who previously worked as an application consultant at Intergraph's European headquarters in Hoofddorp. With this most recent opening, Intergraph now has 165 offices in 41 countries.

Intergraph Background Information

Intergraph Corp.'s products include a broad range of complementary workstations and network servers. They also include complete application-specific systems for computer-aided engineering, design, manufacturing, and publishing, plus numerous earth science applications.

A Fortune 500 company, Intergraph is the world's largest company dedicated to developing and manufacturing interactive computer graphics systems.

CONTACT: Intergraph Corp., Hoofddorp, The Netherlands
Frank Leffelaar, (31) 2503-66390.

-30- 2246
#90305b0890 11/01/1990 ~Business Wire
CINCINNATI (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Omnicare Inc. (NYSE:OCR) Thursday declared a quarterly dividend of 2.5 cents per share on its common stock.

The dividend is payable on Dec. 7 to stockholders of record on Nov. 23.

This is the eighth consecutive quarterly dividend paid by Omnicare following its resumption of dividend payments in March 1989 and the fourth since it increased the dividend in February of 1990.

Omnicare Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, is a health care company with leading positions in medical, dental and veterinary supplies for the private practice and alternate care markets and in pharmacy management services for the long-term care market.

CONTACT: Omnicare Inc., Cincinnati, Cheryl D. Hodges, 513/762-6967

-30- 941
#90305b0891 11/01/1990 ~Business Wire
HUNTSVILLE, ALA. (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Chris H. Horgen, chief executive officer of Nichols Research Corp. (NASDAQ:NRES) (NRC) announced Thursday that it entered into a Letter of Intent with General Digital Industries Inc. (GDI) of Huntsville, for the purchase of substantially all of the assets of GDI.

After the purchase, the business of GDI will be continued by NRC through a wholly owned subsidiary. The transaction is subject to negotiation of a definitive purchase agreement and approval by the shareholders of GDI.

GDI was founded in 1978 to provide computer engineering services to the aerospace industry. Today, GDI is a full service engineering, computer services and low-volume electronics manufacturing company. GDI has focused on NASA business during the past few years with over 50 percent of their FY90 revenues generated under NASA contracts.

Randy Bounds, president of GDI, stated that the proposed NRC purchase of GDI assets represents the culmination of restructuring efforts by GDI. Horgen stated that the acquisition of GDI will complement and enhance the capabilities of Nichols Research in the NASA area. Bounds will remain as president of the new subsidiary.

Nichols Research Corp. is a Huntsville-based company which provides advanced technical services for military and other systems through contracts and subcontracts with agencies of the Department of Defense and NASA. The company's stock is traded on the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ

symbol NRES.

CONTACT: Nichols Research Corp., Huntsville
Patsy L. Hattox, 205/883-1170 Ext. 1447
Charles F. Lofty, 205/883-1170 Ext. 1449

-30- 1823

#90305b0893 11/01/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - B+H Ocean Carriers Ltd. (ASE: BHO) Thursday reported estimated operating results for the 1990 third quarter and first nine-month periods.

For the third quarter, B+H Ocean Carriers reported estimated net income of $2,133,000, or $.52 per share, on estimated revenues of $8,921,000 as compared to net income of $3,318,000, or $.81 per share, on revenues of $9,264,000 in the like period a year ago.

For the nine months, the Company reported estimated net income of $6,273,000, or $1.54 per share, on estimated revenues of $26,463,000 versus net income of $7,954,000, or $1.95 per share, on revenues of $26,411,000 in the like period a year ago.

The Company operates seven handy-size dry bulkcarriers and six product tankers.

CONTACT: The Foristall Co. Inc., New York
Thomas F. Curtin, 212/797-4646

-30- 1008

#90305b0895 11/01/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - B+H Maritime Carriers Ltd. (ASE: BHM) reported Thursday estimated operating results for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 1990.

For the third quarter of 1990, B+H Maritime Carriers reported estimated net income of $547,000, or $.18 per share, on estimated revenues of $6,039,000 compared to net income of $1,416,000, or $.46 per share, on revenues of $5,710,000 in the prior year's third quarter.

In the 1990 nine-month period, estimated net income was $2,244,000, or $.73 per share, on estimated revenues of $18,657,000 compared to net income of $2,383,000, or $.88 per share, on revenues of $11,328,000 in last year's nine-month period.

The results for the 1990 periods do not recognize the prospective gain following the Constructive Total Loss of M/T LIVI, which was accepted as such by underwriters in October 1990. Management currently anticipates that this

gain will be recognized in the Company's operating results for the final 1990 quarter.

CONTACT: The Foristall Co. Inc., New York, Thomas F. Curtin, 212/797-4646

-30- 1271

#90305b0901 11/01/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - B&H Bulk Carriers Ltd. (NASDAQ: BULKF) Thursday reported estimated operating results for the 1990 third quarter and initial nine-months.

For the quarter ended September 30, 1990, the Company reported estimated net income of $30,000, or $.01 per share, on estimated revenues of $2,846,000 compared with net income of $916,000, or $.45 a share, on revenues of $3,403,000 for the same period of 1989.

In the nine months ended September 30, 1990, the Company reported an estimated net loss of $955,000, or a loss of $.47 per share, on estimated revenues of $8,121,000, compared with net income of $11,556,000, or $5.66 per share, on revenues of $19,697,000. Revenues in the 1989 nine-month period include an $8,519,000 gain on the sale of two vessels.

CONTACT: The Foristall Co. Inc., New York
Thomas F. Curtin, 212/797-4646

-30- 1047

#90305b0902 11/01/1990 ~Business Wire

WASHINGTON DC (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Washington (D.C.) Gas Light Co. Thursday announced that for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, earnings per average share were $2.51, an increase of 8 cents from the prior year.

A 3 percent increase in customers' meters, effective cost control and increased retail rates were primarily responsible for the improvement.

Better earnings were achieved in spite of higher interest and depreciation expenses, and weather that was 6 percent warmer than the year before.

Net income applicable to common stock climbed 6.4 percent from the prior year to $48.9 million.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, there was a seasonal net loss of 46 cents per average common share, an 8 cent improvement over the same period in 1989.

CONTACT: Washington Gas Light Co., Wasington D.C.
Cate Barnett, 202/624-6467, (home) 703/370-3440
Roberta Schuman, 202/624-6042, (home) 202/686-3819

-30- 1103
#90305b0904 11/01/1990 ~Business Wire

NASHVILLE, TN (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - First American Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:FATN) Thursday announced a loss for the third quarter of 1990 of $8,590,000, or 37 cents per share, compared with net income of $3,065,000, or 13 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

At the end of the third quarter 1990, non-performing loans were $152.4 million compared with $131.9 million at June 30, 1990, and $83.5 million at Sept. 30, 1989. The allowance for possible loan losses at Sept. 30, 1990, was $175 million, compared with $160.2 million at June 30, 1990, and $83.6 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

The allowance coverage of non-performing loans was 114.8 percent at Sept. 30, 1990; 121.4 percent at June 30, 1990, and 100.2 percent at Sept. 30, 1989. Non-performing assets, which include non-performing loans and foreclosed property, totalled $195 million, $159.3 million, and $96.5 million at the respective dates.

Net loan charge-offs were $15.2 million for the third quarter 1990, as compared with $26.3 million a year ago; $19.3 million for second quarter 1990, and $60.8 million for first quarter 1990. The provision for loan losses totalled $31.4 million; $24.4 million; $29.3 million and $94.4 million at the respective dates.

During the third quarter 1990, the corporation completed the previously announced sale of its $188.6 million asset subsidiary, First American Bank of Ashland, Ky., for $18.7 million, resulting in a pre-tax gain of $4 million.

For the first nine months of 1990, the corporation had a loss of $44.1 million or $1.90 per share, compared with net income of $21.7 million, or 94 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $6.6 billion; deposits, $5.6 billion; and loans, net of unearned discount, $4.3 billion. The corporation's bank's risk-based capital and leverage ratios of 8.72 percent and 5.33 percent at Sept. 30, were in excess of the 8.25 percent and 4.50 percent ratio requirements which will be applicable to the bank effective Dec. 31, 1990.

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer James F. Smith Jr., said: ''Significant progress has been made during the third quarter to improve the soundness and future profitability of First American. Our directors, officers and employees have made major efforts to develop plans to resolve loan problems and to ensure that the problem loan identification and classification processes are sound, appropriate and effective.

''The increase in allowance for possible loan losses during the third quarter reflects what we believe is an appropriately conservative view concerning the Tennessee economy and our identified problem loans. Although net loan charge-offs have been declining during the course of 1990, the increase in the allowance for possible loan losses reflects the increase in non-performing loans.

''The Sept. 24, 1990, examination of the commercial loan portfolio by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency is nearing its completion, and so far we have experienced no significant surprises. Our capital levels remain strong and above those contained in our recent agreement with the Comptroller of the Currency.''

First American Corp. is based in Nashville, and operates 140 offices in 29 Tennessee counties. The corporation also owns First American Trust Co., First Amtenn Life Insurance Co. and First American Community Development Corp.

CONTACT: First American Corp., Nashville
Ellen Jones Pryor, 615/748-2912

-30- 3695
#90305b0923 11/01/1990 ~Business Wire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Potomac Electric Power Co. (PEPCO) Thursday asked the Maryland Public Service Commission to increase PEPCO's annual revenues by $28.3 million, or 3.7 percent.

If granted, this increase would apply to PEPCO's 427,000 residential and commercial customers in Montgomery and Prince George's counties.

The 3.7 percent rate increase request, which is below the current 5.2 percent 1990 inflation rate, is necessary to cover increased costs of providing reliable service to customers. These costs include operation and maintenance of plant facilities; increased taxes; increased conservation expenditures and plant investment to meet the area's growing electricity needs, including costs associated with the new generating units under construction at PEPCO's Chalk Point Generating Station. These units, which are expected to be in operation by June 1, 1991, will primarily use natural gas and will meet the strict emission requirements of the new Clean Air Act.

''Even including the proposed 3.7 percent rate increase, the average cost of electricity for our Maryland customers will be well below 1983 levels in both actual dollars and inflation-adjusted terms,'' said H. Lowell Davis, PEPCO's vice chairman and chief financial officer.

Davis noted that PEPCO customers have benefitted from the company's cost-control programs, declining fuel prices and lower corporate borrowing costs achieved through the refinancing of higher-cost securities.

If the Public Service Commission approves the proposed rates, the monthly bill of a typical Maryland residential customer purchasing 715 kilowatt hours of electricity would increase by $2.76. Last year, the price PEPCO's Maryland residential customers paid for electricity was 12 percent less than the national average.

PEPCO expects to receive a decision by June 1991.

CONTACT: PEPCO, Washington D.C.
Steve Arabia, 202/872-2680

-30- 2137
#90305c0002 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:18 that trade in Possis Corp.(NASDAQ: POSS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 7/8. The company is located in Minneapolis, MN.

-30- 328
#90305c0003 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:20 that trade in NDC Automation Inc.(NASDAQ: AGVS) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 17/32, 21/32. The company is located in Charlotte, NC.

-30- 349
#90305c0004 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:28 that trade in NESB Corp.(NASDAQ: NESB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1/2. The company is located in New london, CT.

-30- 320
#90305c0005 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced that trade in Ethyl Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol EY.

-30- 289
#90305c0006 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:07 that trade in Dreco Energy Services Ltd.(NASDAQ: DREAF) has been resumed. The first sale was 8 1/4; down 7/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 364
#90305c0007 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:21 that trade in NDC Automation Inc.(NASDAQ: AGVS) has been resumed. The first bid was 9/16; up 1/32 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 345
#90305c0009 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:44 that trade in NESB Corp.(NASDAQ: NESB) has been resumed. The first sale was 7/16; down 1/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 330
#90305c0010 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:45 that trade in American Biodynamics Inc.(NASDAQ: BDYN) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1/4. The company is located in Houston, TX.

-30- 349
#90305c0011 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Ethyl Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol EY. Trading was resumed at 11:21.

-30- 330
#90305c0012 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - Commerce Clearing House Inc., a Riverwoods, Il.-based publisher and computer-products servicer, has raised its stake in LD Info Inc., a computer-software development subsidiary of Larson Davis Inc., (TICKER: LDII) of Provo, Utah, to 36 percent.

On Oct. 15, CCH bought 563 restricted common shares for $2,043 each or $1.15 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Oct. 31, 1990.

-30- 659
#90305c0013 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:46 that trade in Vestron Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol VV.

-30- 300
#90305c0014 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:49 that trade in ChemDesign (NASDAQ: CDCC) has been halted for the dissemination of news. The last sale was 5 7/8.

-30- 301
#90305c0015 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:03 that trade in Amerihost Properties Inc.(NASDAQ: HOST) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 4. The company is located in Des Plains, IL.

-30- 349
#90305c0017 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:14 that trade in Moore Products Co.(NASDAQ: MORP) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 23 7/8. The company is located in Spring House, PA.

-30- 343
#90305c0019 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:28 that trade in Vornado Inc.(NASDAQ: VNO) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol VNO.

-30- 339
#90305c0020 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:35 that trade in Chemdesign (NASDAQ: CDCC) has been resumed. The first sale was 6 1/4; up 3/8 point from the halt, and up 1/2 point from the previous close.

-30- 344
#90305c0021 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Vestron Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol VV. Trading was resumed at 12:36.

-30- 332
#90305c0022 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Vornado Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol VNO. Trading was resumed at 12:55.

-30- 334
#90305c0023 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:25 that trade in Moore Products Co. (NASDAQ: MORP) has been resumed. The first sale was 23; down 7/8 point from the halt and previous close.

-30- 336
#90305c0024 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY RRH CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC OWNS 1,877,258 SHARES (15.50%) OF HOTEL INVESTORS CORP (TICKER: HOT) OF WOODLAND HILLS, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Hotel Investors Corp. previously cancelled the shareholders meetings scheduled for Sept. 24, 1990 and announced a reschedule date of Dec. 20, 1990 for the purpose of approving the proposed sale of 27 hotels to Park Plaza Inc., an affiliate of EIE International Corp. The registrants had announced plans to solicit proxies for the Sept. 24 meetings for their nominees as directors and trustees of Hotel Investors Corp. in opposition to management but supporting the proposed sale to Park Plaza. Since no meeting date has been set for election of directors, RRH Capital Management have not solicited proxies. RRH Capital Management have had discussions with Hotel Investors Corp. seeking an acceptable settlement of disagreements, but none have been reached at this point.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

RRH Capital Management purchased 201,600 shares from Sept. 18 to Oct. 30, 1990 for $2.38 to $3.91 per share.

-30- 1276
#90305c0026 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY CUMBERLAND LAKE SHELL OF SOMERSET, KENTUCKY OWNS 76,117 SHARES (10.00%) OF REGIONAL FEDERAL BANCORP INC (TICKER: RFBI) OF NEW ALBANY, IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In connection with the above referenced filing with the Office of Thrift Supervision, Cumberland Lake Shell and Lancaster Life Reinsurance Co. have indicated that they do not seek to acquire control of RFBI and that they have no intention to manage or control, directly or indirectly, RFBI. The companies have agreed to file a Notice under the Control Act or an Application under the Bank Holding Company Act and obtain clearance of the Notice or approval of the Application prior to taking any action contrary to their present expressed intentions.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 964
#90305c0027 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS (5.00%) OF ADVANCED MARKETING SERVICES INC (TICKER: ADMS) OF SAN DIEGO, CA.

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board to less than five percent.

-30- 482
#90305c0028 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

NYCOR INC OWNS 2,200,000 SHARES (8.23%) OF ZENITH ELECTRONICS CORP (TICKER: ZE) OF GLENVIEW, IL.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 30, 1990 through Oct. 30, 1990, Nycor Inc. purchased 2,166,000 shares at a price of $4 to $6.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 468
#90305c0029 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 17

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 30, 1990, Drue Jennings, on behalf of the purchaser, sent a letter to each member of the board of directors of the company. In his letters, Jennings states that the auction to sell Kansas Gas and Electric Co. (TICKER: KGE) is not over, and although Kansas Gas and Electric Co. has favored The Kansas Power & Light Co. in the auction process it is still obligated to provide Kansas City Power & Light Co. with all information which has been requested, including the same information that was provided to KPL, and the same cooperation in efforts to identify synergies and value as was afforded KPL. Kansas City Power & Light Company's tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of Kansas Gas and Electric at an offer price of $27 per share will expire Nov. 30, 1990, unless the offer is extended.

-30- 1058
#90305c0030 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:35 that trade in Balfour Maclaine Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on AMEX, ticker symbol BML.

-30- 318
#90305c0031 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:40 that trade in Amerihost Properties Inc. (NASDAQ: HOST) has been resumed. The first bid was 4 1/4; up 1/4 point from the halt and previous close.

-30- 349
#90305c0032 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:39 that trade in Vicorp Restaurants Inc.(NASDAQ: VRES) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 11 3/4. The company is located in Denver, CO.

-30- 347
#90305c0034 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:31 that trade in Katy Industries has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol KT.

-30- 306
#90305c0035 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:44 that trade in Vicorp Restaurants Inc.(NASDAQ: VRES) has been resumed. The first sale was 10 3/4; down 1 point from the halt, and down 2 3/4 points from the previous close.

-30- 373
#90305c0036 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) COMTEX - Infotechnology Inc.(TICKER: ITCH) filed a Form 8-K with the SEC stating in a memorandum opinion dated Oct. 24, 1990, the Court of Chancery for the state of Delaware denied Infotechnology's motions to dismiss certain claims of breach of fiduciary duty and entrenchment asserted by Avacus Partners LP against certain directors of Infotechnology.

The claims were made in the case of Avacus Partners LP vs. Earl W. Brian, M.D. John E. Koonce, John M. Abeles, M.D., Dwight Geduldig, Wallace O. Sellers and Infotechnology Inc.

In addition, Infotechnology reports the Court of Chancery, in its memorandum opinion, partially granted and partially denied Infotechnology's motion for summary judgment on a claim of misappropriation of a corporate opportunity, and denied Infotechnology's motion for summary judgment on certain claims of waste.

Infotechnology also states in the 8-K filing that it has been named as a defendant, along with certain directors and officers or former officers of the company, in three purported class actions filed in the federal district court for the central district of California.

The suits allege violations of SEC rules relating to disclosures in SEC filings and press releases.

Infotechnology has been named as a nominal defendant and certain of its present or former officers and directors have been named as defendants in a purported derivative action filed on behalf of Infotechnology in the Superior Court of Los Angeles County, which alleges breach of fiduciary duties, negligent breach of fiduciary duties and gross mismanagement regarding certain financing arrangements and business, financial and accounting controls.

Infotechnology and certain of its present or former officers and directors have been named as defendants in a purported class action complaint filed on behalf of shareholders in federal court in the southern district of New York, which alleges violations of SEC rules relating to disclosures in SEC filings and press releases.

Effective Oct. 9, 1990, John H. Abeles, M.D. resigned as a director of Infotechnology.

On Oct. 22, 1990, Allan R. Tessler resigned as a director of the company.

-30- 2387

#90305c0037 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) COMTEX - Financial News Network (TICKER: FNNI) filed a Form 8-K with the SEC stating on Oct. 25, 1990, it learned that the Securities and Exchange Commission issued a formal order of investigation.

The order of investigation centers on possible violations of certain provisions of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and rules thereunder regarding FNN's financial reports, transactions with related companies and accounting matters.

On Oct. 26, 1990, the SEC subpoenaed certain financial and other records of FNN.

FNN reports it is cooperating with the SEC investigation.

FNN also states in the 8-K filing that it has been named as a defendant, along with certain directors and officers or former officers of the company, in three purported class actions filed in the federal district court for the central district of California.

The suits allege violations of SEC rules relating to disclosures in SEC filings and press releases.

FNN has been named as a nominal defendant and its directors, a former director and certain officers or former directors have also been named as defendants in a purported derivative lawsuit filed in the Los Angeles Superior Court alleging, among other things, breaches of duties of loyalty and care and mismanagement.

-30- 1460

#90305c0038 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Computer Memories Inc.(TICKER: CMIN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$404,000	$495,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$54,000	$(50,000)
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	$(245,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$173,000	$(125,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$19,872,000	$22,076,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$19,778,000	$21,585,000

-30- 1010

#90305c0039 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Ventura Entertainment Group Ltd.(TICKER: VEGG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Eight Months Ended	Year Ended
	June 30, 1990	Oct. 31, 1989
REVENUES	$3,081,920	$3,146,500
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,603,073)	$(455,316)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.38)	$(0.11)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,812,400	4,053,600

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	Oct. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$21,650,168	$8,932,659
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$13,991,442	$5,600,111

-30- 1117

#90305c0040 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Technalysis Corp.(TICKER: TECN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,972,293	$5,190,466
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$561,558	$534,800
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.26	$0.22

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,296,093	$9,066,040
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$6,400,497	$5,189,394

-30- 971

#90305c0042 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Amtech Corp.(TICKER: AMTC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,022,000	$1,655,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,573,000)	$(1,492,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.40)	$(0.43)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,513,000	3,516,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$22,579,000	$27,191,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$19,714,000	$25,524,000

-30- 1036

#90305c0043 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 29:

Millfeld Trading Co. Inc. - Cl A Wts 7/22/92 (SHOEZ)
Omnicorp Ltd. (OMNI)
Ratners Group plc - Conv. Pfd ADR (RATNZ)

-30- 342

#90305c0044 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 1:

Ripley Co. (RIPY); Acquired by Ripley Acquisition Corp.
Valley Federal Savings Bank (VAFB); Acquired by CNB Bancshares Inc.

The following issues were deleted from NASDAQ effective Oct. 31:

Diversified Retail Group Inc. (DRGXQ); Capital & Surplus below minimum
The One Bancorp (TONE); Same as above
Passport Travel Inc. (PPTI); Insuff. No. of public shareholders (pursuant to 1-1,000 reverse split)

The following issues were deleted from NASDAQ effective Oct. 30:

Choice Drug Systems Inc. - Units (DOSEU); Insuff. No. of active market makers
Diversicare Corp. of America (DIVC); Acquired by Diversicare Ltd
Medenta Corp. (MDEN); Issue postponed, security never quoted
Micro Bio-Medics Inc. - Cl A Wts 11/5/90 (MBMIZ); Warrants expire 11/5/90
Pioneer American Holding Corp. (PAHC); Insuff. No. of active market makers

Pollution Research and Control Corp. - Wts (PRCCW) was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Oct. 29 due to insuff. No. of active market makers.

-30- 1225

#90305c0045 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The following issues will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 1:

BSD Medical Corp. (BSDME) to (BSDMC)
John Hanson Savings Bank F.S.B. (JHSL) to John Hanson Bancorp Inc. (JHSL)
Haber Inc. (HABE) to (HABEE)
Infotechnology Inc. (ITCH) to (ITCHE)
Insituform Southeast Corp. (ISEC) to ENVIROQ Corp. (EROQ)
Ronson Corp. (RONC) to (RONCC)
Seaboard S&L Assn. (SEAB) to Seaboard Bancorp Inc. (SEAB)
Wisconsin Real Estate Investment Trust (WREIS) to (WRESC)
ZyMos Corp. (ZMOS) to (APPN)

-30- 656
#90305c0046 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.W. ROSS OF 1766 CORNERS CT, ATLANTA, GA 30338, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,300 CLASS A SHARES OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 26, 1990.

(TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. TEL: 404 827-1717)

-30- 443
#90305c0047 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.F. POSESS OF 2375 NW 43RD ST, BOCA RATON, FL 33433, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCORP THROUGH INTL ASSETS ADVISORY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 24, 1990.

(FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCORPORATION TEL: 407 368-0091)

-30- 429
#90305c0048 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.K. HOLMES OF P.O. BOX 4157, DUBLIN, GA 31040, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DYCO) THROUGH ROBINSON- HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 25, 1990.

(DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 305 659-6301)

-30- 405
#90305c0050 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - F.A. DRAKE OF 4904 ALTA CAMINO DR, REDDING, CA 96002, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF NORTH VALLEY BANCORP THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 29, 1990.

(NORTH VALLEY BANCORP. TEL: 916 221-8400)

-30- 402
#90305c0051 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E.A. ISAKSON OF 12210 BROOKFIELD CLUB DR, ROSWELL, GA 30075, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF SOUTHERN BANK GROUP INC. THROUGH INTERSTATE JOHNSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 29, 1990.

(SOUTHERN BANK GROUP INC. TEL: 404 475-9999)

-30- 421
#90305c0052 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.B. KAMON OF 1304 AVENUE L, CISCO, TX 76437, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF HOUSTON OIL & ENERGY INC (TICKER: HOUE) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 29, 1990.

(HOUSTON OIL & ENERGY INC TEL: 817 442-2665)

-30- 423
#90305c0053 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.M. DADONE OF 4511 LEO WAY, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84117, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,275 SHARES OF MICROSHARE CORP.(TICKER: MRSH) THROUGH WASATCH STOCK TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 29, 1990.

(MICROSHARE CORP. TEL: 303 792-0079)

-30- 404
#90305c0054 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.J. ROVICK OF 2015 WEST 49TH ST, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55409, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. THROUGH R.J. STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 26, 1990.

(CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. TEL: 612 941-5093)

-30- 429
#90305c0055 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALD MONTIEL OF 6206 AVENIDA CRESTA, LA JOLLA, CA 92037, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF CHARTER GOLF INC. (TICKER: CGOL) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(CHARTER GOLF INC. TEL: 619 438-6610)

-30- 415
#90305c0056 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEON C THERIOT OF P O DRAWER 3246, LAKE CHARLES, LA 70602, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF SERV-TECH INC. (TICKER: STEC) THROUGH CAPSTONE ASSET. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(SERV-TECH INC. TEL: 713 644-0731)

-30- 398
#90305c0058 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES J MOHR OF C/O THE COLONIAL GROUP INC, ONE FINANCIAL CENTER[B, BOSTON, MA 02111, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(COLONIAL GROUP INC. TEL: 617 426-3750)

-30- 447
#90305c0059 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EMIL C W WANG OF 1730 FOX DRIVE, SAN JOSE, CA 95131, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 408 441-2200)

-30- 444
#90305c0060 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE JENSEN III OF 1062 CEDAR AVE, ANDALUSIA, PA 19020, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI) THROUGH LEGG MASON WOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 688-1322)

-30- 448
#90305c0061 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD B ERWIN OF 11 WINDY COURT, GREENVILLE, SC 29615, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,837 SHARES OF RYAN'S FAMILY STEAK HOUSES INC. (TICKER: RYAN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(RYAN'S FAMILY STEAK HOUSES INC. TEL: 803 879-1000)

-30- 444
#90305c0062 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STONE AVERY J TRUST OF 150 N MICHIGAN AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60601, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(STONE CONTAINER CORP. TEL: 312 346-6600)

-30- 433
#90305c0063 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID B PRATT OF 12324 MELODY LANE, LOS ALTOS HILLS, CA 94022, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,567 SHARES OF ADOBE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ADBE) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 23, 1990.

(ADOBE SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 961-4400)

-30- 418
#90305c0064 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BERNARD V VONDERCSHMITT OF 2067 FOXHALL LOOP, SAN JOSE, CA 95125, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,565 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 24, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7778)

-30- 410
#90305c0066 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN F KELLER OF 5073 WEST LAKE AVE, LITTLETON, CO 80125, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BARRETT RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: BARC) THROUGH R G DICKINSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(BARRETT RESOURCES CORP. TEL: 303 297-3900)

-30- 426
#90305c0067 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LANNY H MICHAEL OF 18328 NE 153RD STREET, 0, WOODINVILLE, WA 98072, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,640 SHARES OF AIRBORNE FREIGHT CORP. (TICKER: ABF) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(AIRBORNE FREIGHT CORP. TEL: 206 281-1095)

-30- 437
#90305c0068 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WAYNE RICHARD TTEE OF 83 ROPER STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,936 SHARES OF ORGANOGENESIS INC. (TICKER: ORG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(ORGANOGENESIS INC. TEL: 617 577-1717)

-30- 424
#90305c0069 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OF MARGARET FOFONOFF TR CHILDREN OF 83 ROGERS ST, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,936 SHARES OF ORGANOGENESIS INC. (TICKER: ORG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(ORGANOGENESIS INC. TEL: 617 577-1717)

-30- 434
#90305c0070 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOESLY TRUST OF 83 ROGERS ST, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,800 SHARES OF ORGANOGENESIS INC. (TICKER: ORG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(ORGANOGENESIS INC. TEL: 617 577-1717)

-30- 411
#90305c0071 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STATE SAVINGS BANK SH TRUST #1 OF 36 EAST GAY ST, COLUMBUS, OH 43215, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BUCKEYE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BCKY) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(BUCKEYE FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 614 225-2100)

-30- 459
#90305c0072 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELEANORE PACEY OF 1201 HAWKINS WAY, PEBBLE BCH, CA 93953, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 275-1444)

-30- 408
#90305c0074 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARWOOD SHEPARD OF P O BOX 42346, PHOENIX, AZ 85080, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 396
#90305c0075 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COLE C COLERIDGE OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 399
#90305c0076 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SOPHIE M WIGAN OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,666 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 393
#90305c0077 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVESTMENTS S A MORTON OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 406
#90305c0078 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SANDLER FAMILY PARTNERS LTD OF 370 17TH ST, SUITE 560, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,001 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 413
#90305c0079 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERRY L LOVELL OF 5103 BEEMAN AVE, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA 91607, HAS FILED TO SELL 88,500 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 437
#90305c0080 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN R CLOYES OF 61 PELHAM LANE, WILTON, CT 06897, HAS FILED TO SELL 130,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 426
#90305c0082 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J CERNUGEL OF 8111 LAKE RIDGE DR, BURR RIDGE, IL 60521, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,100 SHARES OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(ALBERTO-CULVER CO. TEL: 708 450-3107)

-30- 418
#90305c0083 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN HANCOCK VENTURE CPTL FND LP OF 501 EAST MIDDLEFIELD RD, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,506 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 497
#90305c0084 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 455
#90305c0085 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUG VARRIEUR OF 961 ALLEGRO LANE, APOLLO BCH, FL 33570, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN FRANCHISE GROUP INC. (TICKER: BUCS) THROUGH

MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(AMERICAN FRANCHISE GROUP INC. TEL: 305 563-1224)

-30- 441
#90305c0086 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH F KOSIK OF 1370 N OAKLAND DR, SUITE 130, WATERFORD, MI 48327, HAS FILED TO SELL 51,000 SHARES OF FIRST FEDERAL BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: FFS) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(FIRST FEDERAL BANCORP. INC. TEL: 313 333-7071)

-30- 453
#90305c0087 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS R WAGGONER OF 286 EAST ALEGRIA AVE, SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF STAAR SURGICAL CO. (TICKER: STAA) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(STAAR SURGICAL CO. TEL: 818 303-7902)

-30- 427
#90305c0088 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD T DEWLING OF 25 WYNWOOD RD, CHATHAM, NJ 07928, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. TEL: 201 685-4913)

-30- 442
#90305c0090 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GINO J CHRISTINA OF 1820 SOUTH CARR, LAKEWOOD, CO 80226, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,001 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 388
#90305c0091 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES J MARSDEN OF P O BOX 484, 0, SALISBURY, CT 06068, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. TEL: 203 353-5400)

-30- 427
#90305c0092 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN R MASTANDREA OF 2909 OREGON CT, SUITE B1, TORRANCE, CA 90503, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,768 SHARES OF NDE ENVIRONMENTAL CORP. (TICKER: NDEC) THROUGH ROSENKRANTZ LYON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(NDE ENVIRONMENTAL CORP. TEL: 213 212-5244)

-30- 439
#90305c0093 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 455
#90305c0094 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES F LYONS OF 28 PROSPECT AVE, WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ 07675, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,971 SHARES OF SEALED AIR CORP. (TICKER: SEE) THROUGH RICHARD BLACKMAN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(SEALED AIR CORP. TEL: 201 703-4100)

-30- 408

#90305c0095 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARILYN SCHRAGER OF 2939 JUDITH DR, BELLEMORE, NY 11710, HAS FILED TO SELL 52,620 SHARES OF POLYMERIX INC. (TICKER: PLXX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(POLYMERIX INC. TEL: 201 633-7600)

-30- 404
#90305c0096 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LOUIS J CARR OF 439 SILVER POINT RD, LITTLE SILVER, NJ 07739, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. (TICKER: MS) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. TEL: 212 703-4000)

-30- 434
#90305c0098 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A FISHMAN OF 200 N ROCKINGHAM AVE, 0, LOS ANGELES, CA 90049, HAS FILED TO SELL 55,000 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 428
#90305c0099 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A FISHMAN OF 200 N ROCKINGHAM AVE, 0, LOS ANGELES, CA 90049, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,770 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 428
#90305c0100 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREDERICK A KREHBIEL OF 505 SOUTH COUNTY LINE RD, HINSDALE, IL 60521,

HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(MOLEX INC. TEL: 708 969-2973)

-30- 408
#90305c0101 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALTER E BARTLETT OF 140 WEST NINTH ST, CINCINNATI, OH 45202, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF MULTIMEDIA INC. (TICKER: MMED) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(MULTIMEDIA INC. TEL: 803 298-4373)

-30- 411
#90305c0102 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - UNITED TECH CORP MASTER TRUST OF 928 ARQUES AVE, SUNNYVALE, CA 94086, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,498 SHARES OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. TEL: 408 720-1700)

-30- 447
#90305c0103 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS T STUHLEY OF 830 HEATHER LANE, WINNETKA, IL 60093, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,433 SHARES OF WISCONSIN SOUTHERN GAS CO. (TICKER: WISC) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(WISCONSIN SOUTHERN GAS CO. TEL: 414 248-8861)

-30- 438
#90305c0104 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVESTMENTS AGS OF 464 HUDSON TERRACE, 0, ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ 07632, HAS FILED TO SELL 76,777 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH JONES GABLE & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 201 569-4141)

-30- 408
#90305c0106 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH Z CRUMRINE JR OF 6107 HOLLY TREE DR, 0, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22310, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,234 SHARES OF VERSAR INC. (TICKER: VSR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(VERSAR INC. TEL: 703 750-3000)

-30- 399
#90305c0107 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD P KELLER OF 23 ST ALBANS ST SOUTH, ST PAUL, MN 55105, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,100 SHARES OF BIOPLASTY INC. (TICKER: BIOP) THROUGH MARCHE SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(BIOPLASTY INC. TEL: 612 636-4112)

-30- 407
#90305c0108 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BARBARA FISHMAN OF 181 N ALTA ST, 0, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84103, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. TEL: 801 532-7526)

-30- 419
#90305c0109 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WEI LING HSIEH OF 4648 PARK MILFORD PLACE, SAN JOSE, CA 95136, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 879-5077)

-30- 397
#90305c0110 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L DREES OF 22 CAMBRIC CIRCLE, PITTSFORD, NY 14534, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF ACC CORP. (TICKER: ACCC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(ACC CORP. TEL: 716 987-3000)

-30- 382
#90305c0111 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTH AMERICAN PARTNERS LP OF C/O INCO VENTURE CAP MNGMT, ONE NEW YORK PLA NEW YORK, NY 10004, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF THE LIPOSOME CO. (TICKER: LIPO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(THE LIPOSOME CO. TEL: 609 452-7060)

-30- 457
#90305c0112 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARVIN G MURPHY OF 42550 CABALLEROS, BERMUDA DUNES, CA 92201, HAS FILED TO SELL 134,125 SHARES OF VISION TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONA (TICKER: IOLS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(VISION TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONA TEL: 714 592-5591)

-30- 471
#90305c0114 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK J RICHARDSON OF 7444 EMPIRE DR, 0, BOULDER, CO 80303, HAS FILED TO SELL 34,000 SHARES OF GENERATION 5 TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GFIV) THROUGH DILLON SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(GENERATION 5 TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 303 427-0055)

-30- 443
#90305c0115 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK D WILOING OF 2015 BALSAM DR, 0, BOULDER, CO 80304, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,231 SHARES OF GENERATION 5 TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GFIV) THROUGH DILLON SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(GENERATION 5 TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 303 427-0055)

-30- 436
#90305c0116 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAX P WATSON JR OF ONE SUGAR CREEK CENTER BLVD STE, SUGAR LAND, TX 77478 HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 240-8800)

-30- 425
#90305c0117 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THEODORE HINDES OF 25 ESTATES TERRACE N, MANHASSET, NY 11030, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 423
#90305c0118 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLORIA HINDES OF 25 ESTATES TERRACE N, MANHASSET, NY 11030, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH BRILL SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 421
#90305c0119 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARLOS M PRADO OF 1119 5TH STREET, MIAMI BCH, FL 33139, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,700 SHARES OF DELTA RENTAL SYS INC. (TICKER: CRUZ) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(DELTA RENTAL SYS INC. TEL: 305 532-2006)

-30- 420
#90305c0120 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRIES CAROL M TRUST OF 9200 SUNSET BLVD #700, LOS ANGELES, CA 91604, HAS FILED TO SELL 48,250 SHARES OF FRIES ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: FE) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(FRIES ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 213 859-9957)

-30- 453
#90305c0122 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MILRED AMDUR OF 5 WESTCHESTER PLZ, ELMSFORD, NY 10523, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,119 SHARES OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI) THROUGH GRUNTAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. TEL: 914 347-2220)

-30- 442
#90305c0123 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FOFONOFF MARGARET TRUST OF 83 ROGERS ST, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,640 SHARES OF ORGANOGENESIS INC. (TICKER: ORG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(ORGANOGENESIS INC. TEL: 617 577-1717)

-30- 431
#90305c0124 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BELL ANTHONY TRUST OF 83 ROGERS ST, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,978 SHARES OF ORGANOGENESIS INC. (TICKER: ORG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(ORGANOGENESIS INC. TEL: 617 577-1717)

-30- 421

#90305c0125 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARMIE A VANHOOSE OF 5236 SW 116TH TERR, COOPER CITY, FL 33330, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF DEFAULT PROOF CREDIT CARD SYSTEM (TICKER: DPRS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(DEFAULT PROOF CREDIT CARD SYSTEM TEL: 305 446-8361)

-30- 473
#90305c0126 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID J LADD OF 110 ROSE ORCHARD WAY, SAN JOSE, CA 95134, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF VMX INC. (TICKER: VMXI) THROUGH DUNCAN O NAYLOR. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(VMX INC. TEL: 408 943-0878)

-30- 379
#90305c0127 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD C DEYOUNG OF 15311 VANTAGE PARKWAY WEST, SUITE #280, HOUSTON, TX 77032, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,000 SHARES OF INFORMATION SOLUTIONS INC. (TICKER: ISOL) THROUGH DRAKE CAPITAL SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(INFORMATION SOLUTIONS INC. TEL: 303 694-9180)

-30- 466
#90305c0128 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BARRINGTON FINL CORP PS TRUST OF 10880 WILSHIRE BLVD STE 620, LOS ANGELES, CA 90024, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF UTILITECH INC. (TICKER: UTLL) THROUGH DRAKE CAPITAL SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(UTILITECH INC. TEL: 213 441-4119)

-30- 447
#90305c0130 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - R PORTER OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 386
#90305c0131 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK MEYOCKS OF 17254 SW ARKENSTONE DR, DURHAM, OR 97224, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF ASDAR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ASDR) THROUGH BATEMAN EICHLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(ASDAR GROUP INC. TEL: 702 739-7880)

-30- 405
#90305c0132 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD FEINSTEIN OF 61 PRYNNE RIDGE RD, LONGMEADOW, MA 01106, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,305 SHARES OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) TEL: 413 539-6000)

-30- 440
#90305c0133 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAPITAL FOR BUSINESS OF 1000 WALNUT, 18TH FLOOR, KANSAS CITY, MO 64106, HAS FILED TO SELL 112,300 SHARES OF AMERICAN TOXXIC CONTROL INC. (TICKER: ATCX) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(AMERICAN TOXXIC CONTROL INC. TEL: 619 340-0098)

-30- 465
#90305c0134 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT M GELLER OF 1402 KALMIA AVE, BOULDER, CO 80304, HAS FILED TO SELL

73,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN TOXXIC CONTROL INC. (TICKER: ATCX) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(AMERICAN TOXXIC CONTROL INC. TEL: 619 340-0098)

-30- 436
#90305c0135 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN ZELMAN OF 73 BEVERLY ROAD, GREAT NECK, NY 11021, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,500 SHARES OF CORTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: CORX) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(CORTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 714 727-3157)

-30- 435
#90305c0136 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLYSON BAILEY OF 8670 WOLFF CT, STE 120, WESTMINSTER, CO 80030, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,727 SHARES OF GENERATION 5 TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GFIV) THROUGH DILLON SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(GENERATION 5 TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 303 427-0055)

-30- 442
#90305c0138 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 19, 1990, R.P. PENNOYER, VP OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: AX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,259.

-30- 321
#90305c0139 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, A.J. BOWS, DIR. OF CAGLE'S INC. (TICKER: CGL), BOUGHT 500 CLASS A SHARES AT $5.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,215.

-30- 293
#90305c0140 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 28, 1989, O.A. RUGAARD, DIR. OF BAY COMMERCIAL SERVICES BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,350.

-30- 299
#90305c0141 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 29, 1990, O.A. RUGAARD, DIR. OF BAY COMMERCIAL SERVICES BOUGHT 1,057 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,907.

-30- 299
#90305c0142 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 7, 1990, T.S. ROGERS JR, DIR. OF CROWN NATIONAL BANCORP SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,600.

-30- 303
#90305c0143 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, D.J. SPARLER, DIR. OF DROVERS BANCSHARES CORP BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,296.

-30- 316
#90305c0144 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, C.E. WATKINS, PRES. OF FIRST-KNOX BANC CORP BOUGHT 393 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,850.

-30- 296
#90305c0146 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, H.B. SHEARER, DIR. OF JUNIATA VALLEY FINANCIAL CORP BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 928.

-30- 310
#90305c0147 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, J.R. STEWART JR, DIR. OF NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC (VA) BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,800.

-30- 305
#90305c0148 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 27, 1990, M. MENSINGER JR, DIR. OF PV FINANCIAL BOUGHT 1,258 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,154.

-30- 291
#90305c0149 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 10, 1990, W.R. DUFFEY, PRES. OF PNB BANKSHARES INC BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,412.

-30- 290
#90305c0150 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 10, 1990, D.M. GOOD, DIR. OF PNB BANKSHARES INC BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,725.

-30- 285
#90305c0151 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, L.O. ERICKSON, DIR. OF ROYAL BANK GROUP INC BOUGHT 216 SHARES AT $30.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 121,894.

-30- 298
#90305c0152 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 9, 1990, R.L. TOOLE, DIR. OF SOUTHERN HERITAGE INSURANCE CO. BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 315
#90305c0154 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, C.L. BICK, VP OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 182.

-30- 292
#90305c0155 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, L.A. BREUNIG, VP OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 990.

-30- 298
#90305c0156 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, N.K. MCCLAIN, DIR. OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,440.

-30- 303
#90305c0157 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, W.E. MUHLKE, VP OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 962.

-30- 296
#90305c0158 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, T.M. TESCHNER, VP OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,033.

-30- 301
#90305c0159 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, R.J. TIEMEYER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,321.

-30- 328
#90305c0160 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 8, 1990, F.W. WEBER, DIR. OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,598.

-30- 300
#90305c0162 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, D.M. DUNNAWAY, DIR. OF LDDS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: LDDS), SOLD 48,010 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90305c0163 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, D.M. DUNNAWAY, DIR. OF LDDS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: LDDS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 154,674.

-30- 327
#90305c0164 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 10, 1990, W.T. FIELDS, DIR. OF LDDS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: LDDS), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90305c0165 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, W.T. FIELDS, DIR. OF LDDS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: LDDS), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,944.

-30- 321
#90305c0166 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 21, 1990, MOOG INC ESSOP, BEN. OWNER OF MOOG INC. (TICKER: MOG) BOUGHT 4,761 CLASS A SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 255,313.

-30- 314
#90305c0167 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 26, 1990, C.A. DIAMOND, DIR. OF NIX-O-TINE PHARMACEUTICALS LTD. (TICKER: NIXX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,300.

-30- 337
#90305c0168 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, L.D. ABRAMS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF WINNERS CIRCLE INC. (TICKER: WNRS), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,400.

-30- 346
#90305c0170 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 17, 1990, C.L. ROSENBERRY, DIR. OF VALLEY BANCORP INC.(PA) BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,728.

-30- 303
#90305c0171 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, BETTY L LEHMAN, DIR. OF AMERICAN BANCORP. OF NEVADA (TICKER: ABCN), BOUGHT 787 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,875.

-30- 334
#90305c0172 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, KENNETH J MCCUMBER III, OFFICER OF AIRBORNE FREIGHT CORP. (TICKER: ABF), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,654.

-30- 334
#90305c0173 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, RUTH S BLOCK, DIR. OF ACM GOVERNMENT INCOME FD INC. (TICKER: ACG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90305c0174 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, RUTH S BLOCK, DIR. OF ACM GOVERNMENT INCOME FD INC. (TICKER: ACG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 326
#90305c0175 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, GEORGE H SCHOFIELD, DIR. OF AUTOCLAVE ENGINEERS INC. (TICKER: ACLV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 331
#90305c0176 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, WILLIAM L ALDEN, DIR. OF ALDEN ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ADNE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0178 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JON P KERRICK, OFFICER OF ADVANCE CIRCUITS INC. (TICKER: ADVC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 325
#90305c0179 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 25, 1990, MICHAEL W FOSTER, DIR. OF AB HOLDING GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGBG), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $2.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 179,300.

-30- 321
#90305c0180 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, SOHAIL MASOOD, PRES. OF AB HOLDING GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGBG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 346,435.

-30- 318
#90305c0181 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, LEO W LADEHOFF, CHAIRMAN OF AMCAST INDUSTRIAL CORP. (TICKER: AIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90305c0182 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, LEO W LADEHOFF, CHAIRMAN OF AMCAST INDUSTRIAL CORP. (TICKER: AIZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,087.

-30- 330
#90305c0183 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, WILLIAM R C BLUNDELL, DIR. OF ALCAN ALUMINIUM LTD. (TICKER: AL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 324
#90305c0184 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, W BERNARD LESTER, VP OF ALICO INC. (TICKER: ALCO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 287
#90305c0186 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, VP OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90305c0187 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, VP OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90305c0188 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, VP OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90305c0189 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, VP OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90305c0190 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, VP OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90305c0191 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, VP OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,495.

-30- 342
#90305c0192 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, LENNY M TARGON, VP OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90305c0194 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, LENNY M TARGON, VP OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90305c0195 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, LENNY M TARGON, VP OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90305c0196 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LENNY M TARGON, VP OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,518.

-30- 336
#90305c0197 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, THEODORE M ALFRED, DIR. OF ACME-CLEVELAND CORP. (TICKER: AMT), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,550.

-30- 316
#90305c0198 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JAMES C HUNTINGTON JR, DIR. OF AMAX INC. (TICKER: AMX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 303

#90305c0199 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, FRANK HAROLD R TRUSTEE, CHAIRMAN OF APPLIED MAGNETICS CORP. (TICKER: APM), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,195,717.

-30- 350
#90305c0200 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ARTHUR W MCCLAIN, DIR. OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90305c0202 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DONALD A CIMPL, DIR. OF ART'S WAY MANUFACTURING CO.,INC. (TICKER: ARTW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 339
#90305c0203 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, HUGH JACKS, DIR. OF AMSOUTH BANCORP. (TICKER: ASO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,781.

-30- 299
#90305c0204 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ROBERT F STEPHENS, VP OF ATMOS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: ATO), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90305c0205 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ROBERT F STEPHENS, VP OF ATMOS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: ATO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90305c0206 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ROBERT F STEPHENS, VP OF ATMOS ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: ATO), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42.

-30- 302
#90305c0207 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, PAUL J HEMSCHOOT JR, OFFICER OF AMAX GOLD INC. (TICKER: AU), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 309
#90305c0208 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MATTHEW A SUTTON, DIR. OF AULT INC. (TICKER: AULT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 295
#90305c0210 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, LAWRENCE T PERLMUTTER, PRES. OF AMREP CORP. (TICKER: AXR), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90305c0211 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, LAWRENCE T PERLMUTTER, PRES. OF AMREP CORP. (TICKER: AXR), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90305c0212 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LAWRENCE T PERLMUTTER, PRES. OF AMREP CORP. (TICKER: AXR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,800.

-30- 310
#90305c0213 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ANNE L ARMSTRONG, DIR. OF BOISE CASCADE CORP. (TICKER: BCC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 311
#90305c0214 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, R STEPHEN NEWMAN, DIR. OF BANDAG INC. (TICKER: BDG), BOUGHT 420 SHARES AT $67.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,554.

-30- 294
#90305c0215 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ENDICOTT SMITH, DIR. OF BAY STATE GAS CO. (TICKER: BGC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 301
#90305c0216 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, LESTER M ALBERTHAL, DIR. OF BAKER HUGHES INC. (TICKER: BHI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90305c0218 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, KENNETH V PENLAND, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF BLUE CHIP VALUE FUND (TICKER: BLU), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,275.

-30- 371
#90305c0219 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 19, 1990, DONALD M KARP, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BROAD NATIONAL

BANCORPORATION (TICKER: BNBC), SOLD 627 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 677,212.

-30- 358
#90305c0220 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, FRED E TROTTER, DIR. OF BANCORP HAWAII INC. (TICKER: BNHI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 471.

-30- 308
#90305c0221 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, CHARLES R WICHMAN, DIR. OF BANCORP HAWAII INC. (TICKER: BNHI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,152.

-30- 321
#90305c0222 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, T RICHARD DANIEL, DIR. OF BANKERS FIRST CORP. (TICKER: BNKF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,651.

-30- 315
#90305c0223 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, LARRY DEMEYERS, DIR. OF BANKERS FIRST CORP. (TICKER: BNKF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,970.

-30- 314
#90305c0224 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, WILLIAM H BRENTON, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE OF BRENTON BANKS INC. (TICKER: BRBK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 358,342.

-30- 348
#90305c0226 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ROBERT E COOK, DIR. OF BUTLER MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BTLR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 322
#90305c0227 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ARCHIBALD E MACKAY, CHAIRMAN OF BTR REALTY INC. (TICKER: BTRI), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,726.

-30- 318
#90305c0228 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, CHARLES E INNIS, VP OF THE BROOKLYN UNION GAS CO. (TICKER: BU), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $27.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41.

-30- 312
#90305c0229 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, RICHARD W MALKO, OFFICER OF C-COR ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: CCBL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 328
#90305c0230 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHN J OMLOR, DIR. OF C-COR ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: CCBL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 319
#90305c0231 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HAROLD J HAYNES, SHAREHOLDER OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 310
#90305c0232 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, ROY KAY, VP OF CITIZENS FIRST BANCORP INC. (NJ) (TICKER: CFB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,092.

-30- 322
#90305c0234 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HOWARD E WINKLEVOSS, DIR. OF CONSUMERS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 117,103.

-30- 338
#90305c0235 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CTRLS INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHEMFIX TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CFIX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,617,740.

-30- 374
#90305c0236 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, HUGH C CREGGER JR, DIR. OF CFS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFSC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,944.

-30- 318
#90305c0237 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, DONALD C PARKHURST, VP OF CFS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFSC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 308
#90305c0238 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JAMES L PATTON, DIR. OF CFS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFSC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,889.

-30- 313
#90305c0239 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DONALD L NEVINS JR, OFFICER OF CHARTER POWER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,952.

-30- 338
#90305c0240 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $75.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0242 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $77.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0243 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 756 SHARES AT $78.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90305c0244 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER:

CHV), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $77.83 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0245 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $77.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90305c0246 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 313 SHARES AT $78.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90305c0247 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $76.36 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0248 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $76.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0250 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $75.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0251 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER:

CHV), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $76.36 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0252 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $77.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0253 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 6,900 SHARES AT $77.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0254 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $76.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0255 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ARTHUR E FRITSCH, SHAREHOLDER OF CENTRAL JERSEY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CJFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,843.

-30- 355
#90305c0256 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, L DORIS FRITSCH, PRES. OF CENTRAL JERSEY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CJFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,843.

-30- 339
#90305c0258 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ARTHUR H HAUSMAN, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA MICROWAVE INC. (TICKER: CMIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 329
#90305c0259 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, CHARLES M LEIGHTON, CHAIRMAN OF CML GROUP INC. (TICKER: CML), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0260 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, CHARLES M LEIGHTON, CHAIRMAN OF CML GROUP INC. (TICKER: CML), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 296,455.

-30- 320
#90305c0261 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, LEONARD J SMITH, DIR. OF COMNET CORP. (TICKER: CNET), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,250.

-30- 294
#90305c0262 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, BRUCE E DINES, DIR. OF COLORADO NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: COLC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 338
#90305c0263 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, PETER B TEETS, DIR. OF COLORADO NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: COLC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,691.

-30- 337
#90305c0264 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, BERNARD S KUBALE, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED PAPERS INC. (TICKER: CPER), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $32.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 322
#90305c0266 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ROBERT F NORFLEET JR, DIV. OFFICER OF CRESTAR FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CRFC), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,160.

-30- 346
#90305c0267 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, BRUCE W WILKINSON, CHAIRMAN OF CRSS INC. (TICKER: CRX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,923.

-30- 307
#90305c0268 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 15, 1990, WILLIAM C STEWART, PRES. OF CONNECTICUT WATER SERVICE INC. (TICKER: CTWS), BOUGHT 172 SHARES AT $17.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,663.

-30- 331
#90305c0269 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 10, 1990, HOWARD N HEBERT, DIR. OF DBA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DBAS), SOLD 1,332 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 331,389.

-30- 312
#90305c0270 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JACK E KOCH, VP OF DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS ASSOC.,INC. (TICKER: DCA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 339
#90305c0271 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RICHARD W LOCK, DIR. OF DEFIANCE INC. (TICKER: DEFI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 298
#90305c0272 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, E H AVERY, DIR. OF DF SOUTHEASTERN INC. (TICKER: DFSE), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90305c0274 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ROBERT C MCMAHAN, OFFICER OF DF SOUTHEASTERN INC. (TICKER: DFSE), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $7.07 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,272.

-30- 326
#90305c0275 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, KENNETH W BITTICKS, DIR. OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90305c0276 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, KENNETH W BITTICKS, DIR. OF DELPHI INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DLPH), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 283,035.

-30- 345
#90305c0277 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WILLIAM T BRANNEN, VP OF DETREX CORP. (TICKER: DTRX), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,254.

-30- 294
#90305c0278 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, DALE L WOODRUFF, DIR. OF THE ENCORE GROUP INC. (TICKER: EGRP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 96,478.

-30- 318
#90305c0279 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, LEO BENATAR, CHAIRMAN OF ENGRAPH INC. (TICKER: ENGH), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.48 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 426,770.

-30- 304
#90305c0280 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, GARY L THOMAS, VP OF ENRON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: EOG), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 301
#90305c0282 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, MARVIN J WEINSTEIN, DIR. OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT), SOLD 550 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90305c0283 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, MARVIN J WEINSTEIN, DIR. OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,075.

-30- 304
#90305c0284 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, ROBERT S KENNEDY, VP OF ESSEX CORP. (TICKER: ESEX), BOUGHT 199 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,484.

-30- 290
#90305c0285 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ROBERT S KENNEDY, VP OF ESSEX CORP. (TICKER: ESEX), BOUGHT 251 SHARES AT $1.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,735.

-30- 290
#90305c0286 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JOSEPH R KURRY JR, VP OF ESSEX CORP. (TICKER: ESEX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,902.

-30- 289
#90305c0287 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JOSEPH R KURRY JR, VP OF ESSEX CORP. (TICKER: ESEX), BOUGHT 126 SHARES AT $1.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,028.

-30- 289
#90305c0288 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, HARRY LETAW JR, CHAIRMAN OF ESSEX CORP. (TICKER: ESEX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,899.

-30- 297
#90305c0290 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, HAROLD S MEDEN, OFFICER OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 309
#90305c0291 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, H MANNING MCPHILLIPS JR, DIR. OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,842.

-30- 348
#90305c0292 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, FRANCES B DAVIS, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCE CORP. (TICKER: FCOM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90305c0293 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, FRANCES B DAVIS, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCE CORP. (TICKER: FCOM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,800.

-30- 317
#90305c0294 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, THOMAS R OLIVER, VP OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,030.

-30- 314
#90305c0295 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, TROY A BROWN, DIR. OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,050.

-30- 321
#90305c0296 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, TROY A BROWN, DIR. OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90305c0298 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, KEVIN B MCCUSKER, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90305c0299 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, KEVIN B MCCUSKER, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90305c0300 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, KEVIN B MCCUSKER, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90305c0301 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, KEVIN B MCCUSKER, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,734.

-30- 332
#90305c0302 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JEFFREY P ORLEANS, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90305c0303 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, JEFFREY P ORLEANS, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90305c0304 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JEFFREY P ORLEANS, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90305c0306 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JEFFREY P ORLEANS, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90305c0307 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JEFFREY P ORLEANS, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 302

#90305c0308 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JEFFREY P ORLEANS, DIR. OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,353.

-30- 338

#90305c0309 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JAMES H MACDONALD, DIR. OF FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRFD), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,300.

-30- 334
#90305c0310 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, LEWIS R WHATLEY III, DIR. OF FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRFD), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 950.

-30- 333
#90305c0311 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1988, HOWARD J GALYEAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FRONTIER ADJUSTERS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FRON), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 251,469.

-30- 372
#90305c0312 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 16, 1988, HOWARD J GALYEAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FRONTIER ADJUSTERS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FRON), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 249,469.

-30- 372
#90305c0314 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 01, 1989, HOWARD J GALYEAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FRONTIER ADJUSTERS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FRON), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 242,469.

-30- 372
#90305c0315 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1989, HOWARD J GALYEAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FRONTIER ADJUSTERS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FRON), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 237,469.

-30- 372
#90305c0316 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, AARON C HILKEMANN, VP OF FIRSTIER FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: FRST), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90305c0317 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, DOUGLAS P JOHNSON, VP OF FIRST SECURITY CORP.(KY) (TICKER: FSKY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,952.

-30- 320
#90305c0318 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, DONALD J BOHANA, DIR. OF GUARDIAN BANCORP (CA) (TICKER: GB), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 312
#90305c0319 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, PAUL M HARRIS, CHAIRMAN OF GUARDIAN BANCORP (CA) (TICKER: GB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,325.

-30- 323
#90305c0320 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ROBERT N KENDALL, DIR. OF GREAT BAY BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: GBBS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 331
#90305c0322 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ROBERT S BOWEN, CHAIRMAN OF GROUP 1 SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: GSOF), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 326
#90305c0323 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOHN SPOHLER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF GROUP 1 SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: GSOF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,500.

-30- 341
#90305c0324 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, RAY K SMITH, DIR. OF GRENADA SUNBURST SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: GSSC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,842.

-30- 333
#90305c0325 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 21, 1990, RAY K SMITH, DIR. OF GRENADA SUNBURST SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: GSSC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,412.

-30- 334
#90305c0326 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, RAY K SMITH, DIR. OF GRENADA SUNBURST SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: GSSC), BOUGHT 1,435 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,426.

-30- 346
#90305c0327 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 6,300 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90305c0328 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 17,536 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90305c0330 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 22,293 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90305c0331 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, D ROSS HAMILTON, DIR. OF HADRON INC. (TICKER: HDRN), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $0.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 304
#90305c0332 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, GREGORY R DILLON, DIR. OF HILTON HOTELS CORP. (TICKER: HLT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,582.

-30- 311
#90305c0333 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, CHARLES E MARSHALL, DIR. OF HARTMARX CORP. (TICKER: HMX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,450.

-30- 308
#90305c0334 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, DOUGLASS W LIST, DIR. OF HARMON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HRMN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 305
#90305c0335 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, JERRY L MCCAULEY, PRES. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 314,817.

-30- 361
#90305c0336 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, F PHILIP HANDY, DIR. OF ITEL CORP. (TICKER: ITL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90305c0338 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT E LAWS, VP OF ITT CORP. (TICKER: ITT), SOLD 3,622 SHARES AT $50.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,146.

-30- 282
#90305c0339 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, GEORGE P SCURRIA JR, VP OF ITT CORP. (TICKER: ITT), SOLD 1,610 SHARES AT $50.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,197.

-30- 291
#90305c0340 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, W A RINEHART III, DIR. OF JEFFERSON BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: JBNK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 332
#90305c0341 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, W A RINEHART III, DIR. OF JEFFERSON BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: JBNK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 22,043.

-30- 330
#90305c0342 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 05, 1989, W A RINEHART III, DIR. OF JEFFERSON BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: JBNK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,643.

-30- 330
#90305c0343 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, W A RINEHART III, DIR. OF JEFFERSON BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: JBNK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,843.

-30- 330
#90305c0344 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CLARENCE R FARRAR, VP OF JG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JGIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 300
#90305c0346 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JOHN L BRUEMMER, DIR. OF KEWAUNEE SCIENTIFIC CORP. (TICKER: KEQU), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 115,662.

-30- 330
#90305c0347 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, FREDERICK B BAMBER, DIR. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,891.

-30- 309
#90305c0348 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RODNEY C PERKINS, CHAIRMAN OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90305c0349 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, RODNEY C PERKINS, CHAIRMAN OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,734.

-30- 310
#90305c0350 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, HERBERT G TAUS, PRES. OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90305c0351 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, HERBERT G TAUS, PRES. OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90305c0352 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, HERBERT G TAUS, PRES. OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 158,033.

-30- 299
#90305c0354 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 08, 1990, MAY DEPARTMENTS STORES TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF THE MAY DEPARTMENT STORES CO. (TICKER: MA), BOUGHT 20,361 SHARES AT $47.59 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90305c0355 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, MAY DEPARTMENTS STORES TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF THE MAY DEPARTMENT STORES CO. (TICKER: MA), BOUGHT 29,087 SHARES AT $46.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90305c0356 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ARCHIE PRESTAYKO, VP OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.27 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,300.

-30- 316
#90305c0357 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ROBERT W POWELL JR, VP OF MARTIN MARIETTA CORP. (TICKER: ML), SOLD 2,680 SHARES AT $39.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42.

-30- 309
#90305c0358 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, KENNETH F TEMPERO, CHAIRMAN OF MGI PHARMA INC. (TICKER: MOGN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 320
#90305c0359 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, GEORGE J LABRECHE JR, PRES. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 208 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90305c0360 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, GEORGE J LABRECHE JR, PRES. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 214 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 14,037.

-30- 333
#90305c0362 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, WILLIAM E NELSON, DIR. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 154 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,488.

-30- 325
#90305c0363 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CHARLES R SCOTT, DIR. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 117 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90305c0364 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, CHARLES R SCOTT, DIR. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 154 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,890.

-30- 322
#90305c0365 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PATRICK W SCOTT, DIR. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 117 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90305c0366 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, PATRICK W SCOTT, DIR. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 154 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,166.

-30- 323
#90305c0367 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOHN W ROWE, OFFICER OF MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MTRC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 316
#90305c0368 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, LEWIS J COLBY JR, DIR. OF MAXWELL LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: MXWL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 328
#90305c0370 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, MORTON WOLKOWITZ, DIR. OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: NEG), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90305c0371 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 25, 1990, MORTON WOLKOWITZ, DIR. OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: NEG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,203.

-30- 345
#90305c0372 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, MORTON WOLKOWITZ, DIR. OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: NEG), BOUGHT 19,100 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90305c0373 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, MORTON WOLKOWITZ, DIR. OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: NEG), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90305c0374 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MORTON WOLKOWITZ, DIR. OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: NEG), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 179,403.

-30- 345
#90305c0375 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, JAMES K OVERSTREET, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL PENN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: NPBC), BOUGHT 1,071 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90305c0376 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, JAMES K OVERSTREET, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL PENN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: NPBC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90305c0378 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES K OVERSTREET, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL PENN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: NPBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 312,927.

-30- 354
#90305c0379 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 06, 1987, WILLIAM B ELLIS, CHAIRMAN OF NORTHEAST UTILITIES (TICKER: NU), SOLD 1,001 SHARES AT $24.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,556.

-30- 324
#90305c0380 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 05, 1990, WILLIAM B ELLIS, SHAREHOLDER OF NORTHEAST UTILITIES (TICKER: NU), SOLD 921 SHARES AT $21.57 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,383.

-30- 326
#90305c0381 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, NORMAN C RASMUSSEN, TTEE OF NORTHEAST UTILITIES (TICKER: NU), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 317
#90305c0382 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, HENRY L WHEELER, PRES. OF PACIFIC BANCORPORATION (TICKER: PABC), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,867.

-30- 320
#90305c0383 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DAVID STANLEY, DIR. OF PAMIDA HOLDINGS CORP. (TICKER: PAM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 314
#90305c0384 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, SANDRA T POWELL, OFFICER OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 241.

-30- 302
#90305c0386 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CHARLES E GATES, PRES. OF PRICE/STERN/SLOAN INC. (TICKER: PSSP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.93 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 91,634.

-30- 323
#90305c0387 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WILLIAM A PRESTON, DIR. OF PACIFIC SCIENTIFIC CO. (TICKER: PSX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 323
#90305c0388 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, ROBERT L SANDMEYER, DIR. OF READING & BATES CORP. (TICKER: RB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 315
#90305c0389 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOE D PENTECOST, DIR. OF REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: RBNC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0390 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOE D PENTECOST, DIR. OF REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: RBNC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0391 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOE D PENTECOST, DIR. OF REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: RBNC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90305c0392 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JOE D PENTECOST, DIR. OF REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: RBNC), BOUGHT 299 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

131,979.

-30- 320
#90305c0394 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, JOHN R CROWLEY, DIR. OF REGIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: REGB), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,340.

-30- 320
#90305c0395 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, ALAN B HENDERSON, DIR. OF RANGER OIL LTD. (TICKER: RGO), SOLD 4,600 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90305c0396 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, ALAN B HENDERSON, DIR. OF RANGER OIL LTD. (TICKER: RGO), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,000.

-30- 309
#90305c0397 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JOHN M PIERCE, CHAIRMAN OF RANGER OIL LTD. (TICKER: RGO), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90305c0398 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JOHN M PIERCE, CHAIRMAN OF RANGER OIL LTD. (TICKER: RGO), SOLD 45,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90305c0399 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOHN M PIERCE, CHAIRMAN OF RANGER OIL LTD. (TICKER: RGO), SOLD 54,600 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90305c0400 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JOHN M PIERCE, CHAIRMAN OF RANGER OIL LTD. (TICKER: RGO), SOLD 4,700 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90305c0402 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CHARLES F SPIRO, DIR. OF ROGERS CORP. (TICKER: ROG), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 297
#90305c0403 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, RONALD C WICKWIRE, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,005.

-30- 300
#90305c0404 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROBERT M INFARINATO, OFFICER OF RHONE-POULENC RORER INC. (TICKER: RPR), SOLD 736 SHARES AT $64.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90305c0405 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LEO J THOMAS JR, DIR. OF ROCHESTER TELEPHONE CORP. (TICKER: RTC), BOUGHT 185 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,936.

-30- 324
#90305c0406 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, NORMAN C WHITE, VP OF SYNBIOTICS CORP. (TICKER: SBIO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 294
#90305c0407 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WILLIAM J CHAMBLESS, DIR. OF SERVICE FRACTURING CO. (TICKER: SERF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,025.

-30- 322
#90305c0408 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WARREN W TEIGEN, CHAIRMAN OF SECURITY FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: SFGI), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,268.

-30- 343
#90305c0410 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1989, BARRY J LAUFMAN, OFFICER OF SPEAR FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SFNS), BOUGHT 2,871 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,871.

-30- 333
#90305c0411 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, DEE S OSBORNE, DIR. OF SEAGULL ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: SGO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90305c0412 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, DEE S OSBORNE, DIR. OF SEAGULL ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: SGO), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,400.

-30- 315
#90305c0413 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, LAWRENCE R JONES, OFFICER OF SHOPSMITH INC. (TICKER: SHOP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,750.

-30- 311
#90305c0414 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, LAWRENCE R JONES, OFFICER OF SHOPSMITH INC. (TICKER: SHOP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 313
#90305c0415 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JULIUS LASNICK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SPRINGS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,875.

-30- 336
#90305c0416 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, PILLAR CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SENSOR CONTROL CORP. (TICKER: SNCO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,068,429.

-30- 322
#90305c0418 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DALE A JOHNSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SPX CORP. (TICKER: SPW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,344.

-30- 319
#90305c0419 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DONALD JOHNSON, OFFICER OF SPX CORP. (TICKER: SPW), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 290
#90305c0420 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ROBERT D TUTTLE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SPX CORP. (TICKER: SPW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,224.

-30- 319
#90305c0421 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, VAN E GATES, DIR. OF 1ST SOURCE CORP. (TICKER: SRCE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,107.

-30- 303
#90305c0422 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOSEPH A PAGLIARO, DIR. OF SHELTON BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SSBC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90305c0423 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1989, MICHAEL A REAGAN, DIR. OF STANDARD LOGIC INC. (TICKER: STDL), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 319
#90305c0424 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PATRICK MULLER, VP OF STOKELY USA INC. (TICKER: STKY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 302
#90305c0426 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, HOUSE OF WORTH TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF ST IVES LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: SWIS), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $7.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,106,978.

-30- 356
#90305c0427 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JEFFREY H BYROADS, BEN. OWNER OF TCS ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: TCS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90305c0428 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, JEFFREY H BYROADS, BEN. OWNER OF TCS ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: TCS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 320
#90305c0429 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JEFFREY H BYROADS, BEN. OWNER OF TCS ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: TCS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90305c0430 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JEFFREY H BYROADS, BEN. OWNER OF TCS ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: TCS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 319
#90305c0431 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, THOMAS M UNRINE, OFFICER OF TJX COMPANIES INC. (TICKER:

TJX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,500.

-30- 319
#90305c0432 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JAMES A WILLS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TELE-OPTICS INC. (TICKER: TOPT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 324
#90305c0434 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, WILLIAM D WALSH, SHAREHOLDER OF TRADITIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRAD), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90305c0435 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, WILLIAM D WALSH, SHAREHOLDER OF TRADITIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRAD), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90305c0436 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, WILLIAM D WALSH, SHAREHOLDER OF TRADITIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRAD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90305c0437 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, WILLIAM D WALSH, SHAREHOLDER OF TRADITIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRAD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90305c0438 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, WILLIAM D WALSH, SHAREHOLDER OF TRADITIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRAD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90305c0439 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, WILLIAM D WALSH, SHAREHOLDER OF TRADITIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRAD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90305c0440 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, WILLIAM D WALSH, SHAREHOLDER OF TRADITIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRAD), SOLD 950 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90305c0442 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, WILLIAM D WALSH, SHAREHOLDER OF TRADITIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRAD), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90305c0443 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLIAM D WALSH, SHAREHOLDER OF TRADITIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRAD), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90305c0444 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLIAM D WALSH, SHAREHOLDER OF TRADITIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRAD), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 198,215.

-30- 334
#90305c0445 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, FRANK R DAY, CHAIRMAN OF TRUSTMARK CORP. (TICKER: TRMK), BOUGHT 4,398 SHARES AT $17.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 431,867.

-30- 307
#90305c0446 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ROBERT L BOYLE, DIR. OF UJB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UJB), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,081.

-30- 312
#90305c0447 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, H ROBERT TILLMAN, VP OF UJB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UJB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 303
#90305c0448 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ERWIN CHELDIN, CHAIRMAN OF UNICO AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: UNAM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,249,982.

-30- 324
#90305c0450 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, LORETTA C BRAUN, VP OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,223.

-30- 304
#90305c0451 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, GERRY B CAMERON, VP OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,050.

-30- 311
#90305c0452 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JOHN W MITCHELL, VP OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 155 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,104.

-30- 307
#90305c0453 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, GARY L PATTERSON, VP OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90305c0454 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, GARY L PATTERSON, VP OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,340.

-30- 312
#90305c0455 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ANDREW V SMITH, DIR. OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,000.

-30- 311
#90305c0456 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOERG H KLAUBE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNITRONIX CORP. (TICKER: UTRX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 144,000.

-30- 331
#90305c0458 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, MOSHE SHAMIR, VP OF VISHAY INTERTECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER:

VSH), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90305c0459 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, MOSHE SHAMIR, VP OF VISHAY INTERTECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: VSH), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90305c0460 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, MOSHE SHAMIR, VP OF VISHAY INTERTECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: VSH), BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,010.

-30- 321
#90305c0461 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, EDWARD B SHILS, DIR. OF VISHAY INTERTECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: VSH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,280.

-30- 330
#90305c0462 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JOHN D BALDESCHWIELER, CHAIRMAN OF VESTAR INC. (TICKER: VSTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90305c0463 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JOHN D BALDESCHWIELER, CHAIRMAN OF VESTAR INC. (TICKER: VSTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,375.

-30- 322
#90305c0464 11/01/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOHN H GLEASON, VP OF WEBB (DEL) CORP. (TICKER: WBB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,800.

-30- 303
#90305c0466 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MARTIN SIEGEL, PRES. OF WELDOTRON CORP. (TICKER: WLD), BOUGHT 6,600 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90305c0467 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MARTIN SIEGEL, PRES. OF WELDOTRON CORP. (TICKER: WLD), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 169,600.

-30- 303
#90305c0468 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, LEWIS RUBIN, PRES. OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90305c0469 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, LEWIS RUBIN, PRES. OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 285
#90305c0470 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, STEPHEN P ADAMS, OFFICER OF ZURN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ZRN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 305

#90305c0471 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WARREN G WEBER, OFFICER OF ZURN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ZRN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,750.

-30- 302

#90305c0472 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 23, 1990, the partners of Reatta amended Reatta's LP agreement. The purchaser has, and will continue to, enter into letter agreements with potential nominees to Justin Industries Inc's (TICKER: JSTN) board of directors pursuant to which the purchaser will bear all costs and liability associated with the nomination and will transfer 300 shares and rights to an additional 5,000 shares to each nominee.

-30- 649

#90305c0474 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY WG PARTNERS LP OWNS 1,636,606 SHARES (27.81%) OF SHIRT SHED INC (TICKER: SHRT) OF WABASH, IN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Oct. 30, 1990, Signal Apparel Co. Inc. and The Shirt Shed Inc. announced that they have commenced discussions concerning a proposal by Signal to enter into a negotiated transaction pursuant to which all of Shirt Shed's shares other than those held by Signal would be purchased by Signal for cash at a price of $4 per share. The proposal is subject to the negotiation and execution of a mutually acceptable acquisition agreement, approval by the boards of directors of both Signal and Shirt Shed, Signal's arranging financing and the receipt of any required regulatory and other approvals.

PURPOSE:

Possible acquisition of Shirt Shed Inc. by Signal

-30- 1017
#90305c0475 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO OF HOUSTON, TEXAS OWNS 15,317,100 SHARES (31.00%) OF CONQUEST EXPLORATION CO (TICKER: CQX) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 21, 1990, American, Conquest, AX Acquisition Corp. entered into a merger agreement providing for the merger of Merger Sub with and into Conquest. Pursuant to the stock purchaser agreement, DKM will sell to American the DKM preferred shares on the closing date under the merger agreement, will vote all the DKM preferred shares and all the additional 10,317,100 shares of Conquest common stock owned by it in favor of the merger and, until Oct. 21, 1997, will not acquire without the approval of American any shares of common stock of American other than those received pursuant to the merger, to a rights offering by American or to any stock dividend or similar transaction effected by American.

PURPOSE:

Merger agreement.

-30- 1118
#90305c0476 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

SNYDER MCALAINE & CASTLE CAPITAL PARTNERSHIP OWNS 305,815 SHARES (4.20%) OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC (TICKER: HEBC) OF HOLYOKE, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On or about Sept. 30, 1990, the general partners of SMC made a determination to terminate and dissolve SMC. That portion of the assets of SMC as of Oct. 1, 1990 represented by 305,815 shares of common stock will be distributed in kind to the partners of SMC in accordance with their respective interests in SMC and SMC will have no equity interest in Bancorp and any agreements or understandings SMC or any of its general partners may have had with third parties with respect to investment in the shares of common stock will, to the extent that they have not already terminated, cease to be effective.

PURPOSE:

Termination and dissolution of SMC.

-30- 1042
#90305c0477 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY R.M. BASS GROUP INC OWNS 1,089,750 SHARES (2.10%) OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO (TICKER: LFB) OF LONGVIEW, WASHINGTON.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 24 to Oct. 31, 1990, R.M. Bass Group Inc. sold 2,132,400 shares at a price of $9.88 to $10.96 per share.

PURPOSE:

Sales of shares.

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#90305c0478 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

HC PARTNERS LP OWNS 2,486,100 SHARES (9.48%) OF HARSCO CORP (TICKER: HSC) OF CAMP HILL, PENNSYLVANIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

HC Partners purchased 4,700 shares on Oct. 29, 1990 for $20.26 per share.

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#90305c0479 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GENERAL MOTORS CORP OF DETROIT, MICHIGAN OWNS 3,710,575 SHARES (19.70%) OF ASK COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: ASKI) OF MOUNTAIN VIEW,

CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 31, 1990, EDS, Ask Computers Systems Inc. and Hewlett Packard Co. entered into a stock purchase agreement providing for the sale of the shares to EDS for $10.78 per share. The agreement closed upon the satisfaction of all the conditions on Oct. 22, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90305c0480 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY BAUPOST LP 1983 A-1 OF CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 673,945 SHARES (6.00%) OF ESCO ELECTRONICS CORP (TICKER: ESE) OF ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Baupost LP 1983 A-1 acquired 140,700 shares from Oct. 1-23, 1990 for $3.29 to $5.32 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90305c0482 11/01/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

PROSPECT GROUP INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 10,590,570 SHARES (69.80%) OF ADACORP INC (TICKER: ADAI) OF CARROLLTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Prospect is in the process of liquidation. It intends to dispose of its shares of common and preferred stock of Adacorp Inc. either by sale or as a liquidating distribution to its shareholders.

-30- 532
#90305d0020 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (NOV. 1) - The U.S. manufacturing sector weakened further in October in what the respected National Association of Purchasing Managment (NAPM) said Thursday indicated the U.S. economy had declined for the first time since 1982.

The NAPM survey, considered one of the best barometers of U.S. economic health differed sharply from a Commerce Department report earlier this week which indicated the U.S. economy was continuing to grow.

The association's monthly index of economic activity last month fell to 43.4, its lowest level since December 1982, when it dropped to 42.8.

The Commerce Department reported earlier this week that U.S. gross national product (GNP) had grown an annally adjusted 1.8 percent during the third quarter this year, from July to September.

At the same time, the White House predicted the economy would continue to grow albeit at a slower pace, at least until the end of the first quarter of next year

But NAPM Chairman Robert Bretz said his group's monthly index signaled a small decline in the GNP during October.

Nearly all the components which make up the index, he added, "confirmed the growing weakness in manufacturing, which was enough to pull the overall economy into slightly negative growth."

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#90305d0130 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (NOV. 1) - Britain's firm rejection of an Iraqi offer to grant visas to relatives of some Westerners and Japanese detained in Iraq is "perfidious," the Iraqi foreign ministry said Thursday.

"The reaction of the Foreign Office to this humanitarian gesture displays a perfidious colonialist mentality and shows the colonialist goals of Britain in Iraq," a spokesman for the foreign ministry said, in a statement carried by the Iraqi news agency INA and monitored here.

But he welcomed a decision by a group of British women who announced plans to go to Iraq and take advantage of the offer to visit their husbands detained there.

The Iraqi foreign ministry earlier said it would provide visas to the families of some 400 Western and Japanese nationals held as "human shields," allowing them to visit their relatives over Christmas and New Year.

The 400 are among an estimated 4,000 foreigners held by Iraq to deter a feared attack by U.S.-led forces that deployed in the Gulf following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

The Foreign Office in London immediately reacted to the offer by discouraging relatives of hostages held in Iraq from visiting them, saying the trip would be "risky."

"We have a great deal of sympathy with the predicament of wives and families" of persons held hostage in Iraq, a spokesman for the Foreign Office said.

"But it should be noted that Iraqi undertakings cannot be trusted. Travel to Iraq in any circumstances would be risky," he said, adding that the offer was a "disgraceful example of Iraq exploiting the feelings of relatives of hostages at a time of importance in family life."

Labour Party leader Neil Kinnock said the Iraqi invitation was "completely cynical" and a "cheap shot ... to try to buy the favour of the world community, but it will not succeed."

The wives of some 11 hostages have said they would take up Iraq on the offer and travel to Jordan next week on their way to Baghdad to win their husbands' freedom.

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#90305d0260 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) - Iraq has withdrawn some 300 armored vehicles from occupied Kuwait, while increasing the number of artillery pieces there, the Pentagon said Thursday.

Pentagon spokesman Bob Hall said Defense Department analysts believe the changes are of only minor significance. He added that there remain in Kuwait the same number of soldiers as one month ago, approximately 430,000.

Mr. Hall said their posture remained "primarily one of defense" with the option to convert to an offensive position.

Iraq now has 2,200 armored personnel carriers and infantry fighting vehicles in Kuwait and southern Iraq, down from an earlier figure of 2,500, according to Pentagon estimates cited by Hall. The number of Iraqi artillery pieces in the area is up from 1,700 to 2,200, while the Iraqi tank count stands at 3,500, according to the spokesman.

The United States currently has deployed at least 220,000 military personnel to the Gulf, and approximately 800 tanks.

-30- 1172
#90305d0330 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ARICA, Chile (NOV. 1) - Mummified corpses of members of an Indian group that lived in Latin America 8,000 years ago have been found on the grounds of the Peruvian Consulate here, Chilean government sources said.

The mummies, which belong to a tribe called the Chinchorros, were preserved in a way similar to that used by the ancient Egyptians.

The mummies were found in three different areas of the consulate and were confirmed by experts from the Peruvian Cultural Corporation, who traveled to Arica, located 1,650 kilometers (1,000 miles) north of Santiago near Chile's border with Peru.

The Peruvian Consul in Arica, Nicolas Roncagliolo, said he had been instructed by his government to turn the mummies over to Chilean authorities.

Chilean officials did not say how many were found.

Another 13 mummies of Chinchorro Indians have been discovered since 1985, when the University of Tarapaca began an archeological dig in Arica. Carbon dating done by the school put the age of those mummies at 8,000 years.

The most recent discovery was in November 1989, when researchers found a mummified corpse during excavations in the Azapa Valley, outside Arica.

-30- 1375
#90305d5080 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND (NOV. 1) - Wilson and Horton Ltd., one of the country's largest publishers, has bought the New Zealand Listener weekly magazine, the New Zealand Herald reported here Thursday.

Wilson and Horton own the Herald, the country's biggest-selling newspaper, and the New Zealand Woman's Weekly.

The company did not reveal the price it paid for Listener, sold by its joint owners, Television New Zealand and Radio New Zealand.

The publisher said the acquisition of the magazine's good will and assets represented "excellent value in a depressed market."

The Listener is believed to have been losing money and circulation since it lost its monopoly on the right to publish television and radio programmes three years ago.

-30- 931
#90305d5250 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FREIBURG, GERMANY (NOV. 1) - German Interior Minister Wolfgang Schaeuble left a hospital for a convalescent home on Wednesday as doctors said he was recovering from paralysis caused by a would-be assassin's bullet.

A medical bulletin said Mr. Schaeuble, injured by a man, reportedly mentally disturbed, at a meeting on October 12, had fully recovered from his back injuries.

The bulletin said his facial injuries were healing and "paralysis in his legs is regressing."

In a separate development in Cologne, the woman who on April 25 tried to kill Oskar Lafontaine, the Social Democratic candidate for Chancellor, went on trial.

The woman, Adelheid Streidel, 43, had been in psychiatric internment since the attack when she lunged at Mr. Lafontaine with a knife, gashing his throat but missing his jugular vein.

The prosecution has abandoned proceedings for attempted assassination in view of medical evidence showing Ms. Streidel to be a schizophrenic.

-30- 1167
#90305d5300 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 1) - Japanese shipbuilder and defence contractor Kawasaki Heavy Industries Ltd. said Thursday its net profit rose by 24 percent to 6.1 billion yen (44 million dollars) in the six months to September from the previous corresponding period.

The company, also the country's biggest exporter of motorcycles and one of its leading manufacturers of aircraft and submarines, said sales inched up 3.7 percent to 355 billion yen (2.6 billion dollars) in the same period.

A surge in shipbuilding orders and increased sales of machinery and consumer products offset declining sales of rolling stock, aerospace equipment, industrial machinery and steel structures, Kawasaki said.

The company said ship sales ballooned 48.5 percent to 27 billion yen (196 million dollars) while machinery sales rose 1.1 percent to 78 billion yen (565 million dollars).

But sales of rolling stock fell 14.7 percent to 31 billion yen (225 million dollars) while sales of aerospace equipment declined one percent to 94 billion yen (681 million dollars), Kawasaki said.

Sales of industrial machinery and steel structures fell by 4.9 percent to 47 billion yen (341 million dollars), it added.

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#90305d5310 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) - Iraq plans to blow up several oil tankers off Kuwait's coast and set ablaze the resulting spill of millions of gallons of oil in the Gulf to delay any allied attack from the sea, The Washington Times reported Thursday.

Citing Pentagon, military and intelligence officials who spoke on condition of anonymity, the newspaper said three Iraqi oil-filled tankers were anchored near the Saudi Arabian border and others may be hidden.

The tankers are among several flammable defenses that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has developed to reinforce his threat made last August that "many will burn" in a Gulf war, the newspaper said.

Iraq has filled about 10 percent of its hundreds of miles of anti-tank trenches with flammable materials to stall any tank advance long enough to counterattack, the paper said, citing an unidentified administration official with access to intelligence reports.

The Washington Times said that when the three tankers were loaded at a northern Kuwaiti port last month, U.S. intelligence analysts at first suspected the ships would deliver oil to Iran as part of Baghdad's efforts to break the U.N. blockade.

The analysts also reportedly considered Iraq was using the ships to store oil since its other storage areas were filled to capacity.

But officials said the ships were moved close to the southern Kuwaiti port of Ra's al Qulay'ah, which is near a stretch of beach that would be suitable for a Marine amphibious landing, the paper reported.

U.S. intelligence agencies believe the Iraqi military has secretly obtained commercial satellite photographs of the U.S.-led multinational force deployment in Saudi Arabia indirectly from France's Spot satellite company, the paper said.

According to administration intelligence sources, the photos give the Iraqis the capability of launching ballistic missile strikes using chemical weapons against the allied forces, the paper said.

The U.S. intelligence community recently concluded in a classified assessment that Iraq could launch chemical-warhead missile attacks with little or no warning time, the paper said.

Included among U.S. monitors against a possible chemical attack are spy satellites and ground stations in the region.

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#90305d5500 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (NOV. 1) - A free trade agreement between the six member states of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) and the European Community (EC) could be signed within a year, it was reported here Thursday.

Dr. Dhaffar al Umran, director of evaluation and economic research at the Bahrain Ministry of Finance and National Economy, was quoted by the Gulf Daily News as saying that the first round of talks between the two sides had been successful.

"It was an excellent meeting. Very encouraging," said al Umran, who was part of the 15-member GCC delegation that held talks in Brussels recently.

"Negotiations have now opened between the two sides. This was the first formal meeting," he added.

Al Umran said a final agreement on free trade between the two economic blocs could be signed within a year. "At the moment everything looks good," he said.

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#90305d5590 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 1) - South Korea said Thursday it may scrap a multi-billion dollar agreement to buy and co-produce 120 jet fighters from McDonnell Douglas, accusing the U.S. manufacturer of asking for too much money.

Defense Minister Lee Jong-Koo made the announcement at a hastily arranged press conference, saying the government would take a fresh look at the 4.7 billion dollar deal before signing the contract.

A McDonnell Douglas official here denied the price had gone up as much as South Korea was suggesting and said the government here had told the company that it was still committed to buying and jointly producing the FA-18 Hornets.

"I think we are going to work this out," he said. "We are committed to the contract and we are willing to work it out."

The company would make an official announcement Thurday morning from their headquarters in St. Louis, Missouri, he said.

Mr. Lee said that at the time the contract was awarded to McDonnell Douglas the government had expected the amount to go up, but not as much as the U.S.

manufacturer was now demanding.

He added that the government did not want to create an international dispute over the deal, but it might have to turn to other manufacturers.

Other South Korean officials said McDonnell Douglas was demanding 30 per cent more for each of the aircraft, which they said was irrational even if rising costs were taken into account.

Sources put the additional cost at 2.235 billion dollars.

But the McDonnell Douglas official said that even in a worst-case scenario "nothing I have seen approaches a 30 per cent rise."

He said estimates were prepared in two forms, "then-year dollars and constant dollars," which had provided for rises in the cost of the program.

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#90305d5650 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 1) - A senior Japanese Finance Ministry official said Thursday that foreign exchange rates had become a "very important" factor in determining the future direction of monetary policy in Japan.

"Monetary policy relates deeply not only to the domestic development of the economy but also to the international arena including the (foreign) exchange market," the official told a news conference.

The official, who asked not to be named, acknowledged that this had led to ambiguities in market expectations towards Japanese interest rates. "My advice to you is to keep a close eye on the (foreign) exchange market. That will be a very important factor in judging what will be our monetary policy," he said.

Buoyed by higher interest rates at home, the yen has risen sharply against the dollar and other major currencies in recent weeks.

Japanese monetary authorities have repeatedly welcomed the development as it will help to offset the recent surge in oil prices, indicating less pressure for any further tightening of credit to combat inflationary pressures.

The official also said that the outlook for Japanese share prices was still unclear as only one of the two negative factors contributing to the market's recent slump -- expectations of higher interest rates -- had been removed.

A package of measures announced by Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto in early September had "quickly dissipated" fears of higher rates and led to a rebound in Japanese share prices. But the Gulf crisis is continuing to have an adverse impact on the market, the official said.

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#90305d5690 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 1) - Japan's holdings of gold and foreign exchange reserves rose 867 million dollars in October to total 76.19 billion dollars at the end of the month, the finance ministry said Thursday.

The October gain, the sixth straight month-on-month increase in foreign reserves, was attributed by ministry officials to an increase in profits from fund operations.

The Bank of Japan did not step in the foreign exchange market to stabilize the yen as the Japanese currency held strong against the dollar, financial sources said.

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#90305d5850 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAKARTA (NOV. 1) - Westpac Banking Corp Thursday launched a full banking operation in Indonesia through a joint venture with a local firm, becoming the first Australian bank to open in the country, officials of the bank said.

PT Westpac Panin Bank opened with a capital of 50 billion rupiahs (26 million dollars), with Wespac Banking holding 85 per cent of the equity and the rest held by Pan Indonesia Bank, one of Indonesia's largest private banks.

The joint venture hoped to capitalise on the booming 1.3 billion dollar annual two-way trade between Indonesia and Australia and on the growing joint venture operations between firms in the two countries, the officials said.

Some 15 new joint venture banks have established in Indonesia since the government reopened the sector to foreign institutions in October, 1988.

Most of them involved Japanese interests but they also included Singaporean and French firms.

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#90305d6160 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 1) - The forthcoming year will be an extremely difficult one for South Africa's economy, Finance Minister Barend du Plessis warned Thursday.

"As matters now stand, I believe that any positive real growth in 1991 should be regarded as a bonus," he told business leaders at an investment conference organised by Financial Mail magazine.

"Neither do we see much hope for more than marginal increases in aggregate real gross domestic expenditure, although some slight upward momentum may persist in both real government and private sector consumption," he added.

One of the many factors negatively affecting the economy was the current crisis in the Gulf, which had sparked a spiral in the price of crude oil.

The gold price had not responded impressively to the oil price increase, indicating that the precious metal had lost its "safe haven" status, Mr. Du Plessis said.

The probability that economic growth rates in major industrialised economies would weaken further in 1991 was likely to affect world commodity prices and see a reduced demand in South Africa's major export commodoties, he added.

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#90305d6190 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (NOV. 1) - Italian consumer prices rose by 0.8 percent in October compared with September, representing an increase of 6.2 percent compared with October 1989, official figures showed on Thursday.

In September prices were 6.3 percent higher than one year earlier.

Industrial output rose by 1.5 percent in August compared with August 1989, compared with an increase in July of 2.3 percent over the figure a year earlier.

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#90305d6220 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 1) - The British treasury on Thursday ruled out any imminent cut in interest rates despite rumors among market sources that rates would be cut soon, and despite pressure for a cut from industrialists.

There would be no further cut in interest rates "until it is safe to do so", a treasury spokesman said.

The treasury said that rates would remain at 14 percent, the level set on October 8 when they were cut by one point on the occasion of the entry of sterling into the exchange-rate mechanism of the European monetary system (EMS).

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#90305d6270 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV. 1) - More than 50 senior members of Burma's leading political party have been arrested by troops in the past week according to the latest

figures compiled on Thursday by Rangoon-based diplomats.

The arrested members of the National League for Democracy (NLD) include at least ten MPs, five members of the party's Central Executive Committee and ten party youth organisers.

"As far as we know none of the NLD members arrested last week have been released yet," said one diplomat.

The arrests are the latest in what observers describe as a ruthless campaign by the junta to destroy all opposition.

The NLD swept the general elections in May, winning over 80 per cent of the vote, but the military government has refused to hand over power.

Diplomats also report that the Democratic Party for a New Society (DPNS), closely allied with the NLD, has been all but obliterated in the past week with all eight members of its leadership being arrested.

Apart from the arrests of the DPNS leaders, the party's offices were raided by troops last week and later sealed shut.

But despite the massive crackdown by the junta on the opposition there are reports that at least one monastery in the capital is continuing the religious boycott against the military.

Buddhist monks began refusing to minister to troops in August after soldiers reportedly killed two monks and two students during a pro-democracy demonstration in Mandalay.

In a move to break the boycott troops reportedly raided over 100 monasteries in the Mandalay area alone and arrested scores of monks.

The junta declared last week that senior monks had agreed to call off the boycott but diplomats say there are still pockets of resistance.

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#90305d6310 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 1) - Too many products that nobody wants is the root cause of a sluggish consumer market in China, Commerce Minister Hu Ping was quoted Thursday as saying.

Mr. Hu, speaking to China Daily before he left Wednesday for a week-long visit to Japan, said China was plagued by "over-production and stockpiling of unmarketable, outmoded goods."

"Only through the continuous development of new marketable products can we

push the slow market forward now and keep it going forward in the future," the minister said.

Some 174.8 billion yuan (37 billion dollars) in industrial products, nearly a third of which is consumer goods, was officially reported to have been stockpiled in May.

But Mr. Hu said their low quality was discouraging Chinese consumers, with 200 billion yuan (42.4 billion dollars) cash in hand and 500 billion yuan (105.9 billion dollars) in bank accounts at the end of 1989, from buying them.

Premier Li Peng put the brakes on China's economy two years ago, squeezing credit and halting most capital spending projects in a bid to cool double-digit inflation and breakneck industrial growth.

Up to that point, consumers had gone on a shopping spree, spending their cash on luxury goods or panic-buying household essentials as the value of their yuan dwindled.

Mr. Hu said the market today was still sluggish partly because "over-use" of the word "sluggish" in the Chinese press put many consumers in a "wait-and-see" mood, hoping that prices will drop.

Stores were also reluctant to buy new merchandise from suppliers, he added.

But he expressed optimism for 1991, saying he expected the market to recover in a "stable and prosperous" fashion as the government eases its austerity program.

He also predicted more spending by rural Chinese, who make up the majority of the nation's people, as they reap the profits of what the government says will be a bumper harvest.

Mr. Hu is the third Chinese minister to go to Japan since the Tiananmen Square crackdown in June 1989.

While earlier reports here said he would be discussing Sino-Japanese food co-operation, China Daily added that Mr. Hu was also gearing to "win the co-operation and support of Japanese business in efforts to reinvigorate China's consumer market."

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#90305d6380 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 1) - Japan's stockmarket slump will have little impact on the ability of Japanese banks to meet international capital guidelines due to take effect next year, Vice Minister of Finance Makoto Utsumi said Thursday.

"I have no concern as far as Japanese banks are concerned," Mr. Utsumi told a news conference, dismissing calls to change the timetable laid down by the Bank for International Settlements (BIS) to meet the guidelines.

"I think it's a mistake to change the timetable," he said.

Under the plan that the Basel-based BIS formulated with various central banks, commercial banks with global activities have to boost their capital to the equivalent of eight per cent of their assets by March 1993. But they also have to meet am interim target of 7.25 per cent by March next year.

The recent slump in Japanese share prices has restricted the ability of banks to raise fresh capital while slashing the value of their unrealised gains on securities holdings, part of which are allowed to be counted as capital.

But Mr. Utsumi, the vice minister responsible for international affairs, noted that Japanese banks had recently been authorised to issue subordinated bonds in international markets, offering a new source of capital. He also brushed aside worries about the declining value of unrealised securities gains.

"Most stocks are held at acquisition prices," he said, adding that the slump in share prices had not necessarily wiped out all their unrealised gains overnight. He also said Japanese banks "still have huge hidden reserves which, for example, their U.S. counterparts can never enjoy."

While Japanese banks were heavily exposed to Japan's high-flying real-estate sector, Mr. Utsumi continued, the likelihood of a collapse in property prices "might be difficult to predict," particularly around Tokyo.

"There is still strong real demand in the Tokyo metropolitan area," he said,

noting that the area was home to almsot 30 million people as well as the nation's political, economic and cultural centre.

Recent falls in property prices in other cities such as Osaka and Nagoya were largely a reaction to recent speculative buying rather than a decline in real demand, he said.

Overall, he said, "the land price problem wil not be very, very damaging to Japanese financial institutions."

Mr. Utsumi did, however, express some concern towards recent proposals in Washington to restrict the activities of foreign banks in the United States,

particularly at a time when all banks are becoming more inward-looking.

"Is it right for the U.S. Congress to send a signal that Japanese banks' activities in the United States are too large?" he asked, predicting that such

actions could prompt Japanese banks to reduce their operations.

"My concern is that if it happens, it could be an additional serious factor for the U.S. credit situation," he said.

The vice minister noted that "internationalisation has been very deeply rooted" among Japanese financial institutions, adding that he had "concerns" about the proposal but was not "too pessimistic."

Mr. Utsumi also indicated that Japanese institutional investors were unlikely to adopt a low profile at the upcoming quarterly refunding by the U.S. Treasury because of more attractive interest rates in Japan.

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#90305d6390 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Paris (NOV. 1) - Health and welfare organisations from 76 countries met here Thursday for their second world congress on the viral disease Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (Aids).

Several sufferers of the disease or carriers of the Aids viruses are among about 800 participants taking part at the talks.

Many organisations boycotted the sixth international Aids conference in San Francisco in June, claiming sufferers of the disease were discriminated against in the United States.

The Paris seminar is much smaller than the San Francisco congress and is concerned less with scientific aspects of the syndrome.

Agenda items include ''women and Aids'', the role of welfare groups in fighting the disease, accessibility to medical care, and the spread of the virus in Third World countries.

The conference has been organised by France Sida (France Aids) and the Washington National Minority Aids council. The World Health Organisation is among the participants.

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#90305d6610 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBAI (NOV. 1) - A man swallowed foreign currency notes worth about 50,000 U.S. dollars to escape Indian customs controls before boarding a flight from Bombay, it was reported here Thursday.

When the passenger arrived at Dubai in the United Arab Emirates he was shaking with pain and had to be taken to hospital, the Khaleej Times newspaper reported.

X-rays showed the man - whose identity was not revealed - had swallowed 116 plastic capsules each containing three bank notes which had been tightly folded into tiny bundles.

The report said the smuggler had been trying to avoid Indian restrictions on the possession of foreign currency.

No such regulations exist in the United Arab Emirates, and so the man was allowed to keep the notes after they had passed naturally through his system, the report said.

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#90305d6710 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANTIBES, France (NOV. 1) - The French organization Globi, dedicated to the protection of pilot whales, has launched a campaign against the annual ritual slaughter of hundreds of the animals in Denmark's Faroe Islands.

The group denounced the cruelty of the ceremony, in which the mammals are trapped in a small bay and killed before a large audience.

The tradition grew out of an annual hunt, first carried out in 1584, which was necessary at the time to provide meat to island residents.

Most of the females killed in the ceremony are pregnant, the organization said.

Iceland, the Hebrides and the Shetland and Orkney Iles have abandoned similar rituales, according to Globi.

The campaign was launched on the occasion of the worldwide underwater film festival, taking place until Sunday in this southern town.

Pilot whales grow up to five meters (16.5 feet) long and can weigh as much as four tons.

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#90305d6810 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 1) - French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas is to meet King Hassan in Morocco next week following Moroccan protests about a French book on political detainees in Morocco, diplomatic sources said here Thursday.

They could give no precise date, and ministry officials refused comment.

Morocco's displeasure concerns "Notre Ami le Roi" (Our Friend the King) by Gilles Perrault, a book detailing the human rights situation in Morocco.

The book is selling well here, but is unavailable in Morocco, as are French papers carrying reviews of it.

Morocco's official news agency MAP has since Tuesday been publishing protest messages sent to French President Francois Mitterrand and Prime Minister Michel Rocard by Moroccans in various walks of life who complained there was a media campaign in France being drummed up by groups hostile to Morocco.

Late Wednesday, Moroccan premier Azzeddine Laraki sent Mr. Rocard an "offical message" denouncing the "campaign of denigration of Morocco which spares neither its political system nor its economic and social choices".

He was particularly critical of Radio France International. Moroccan sources in Rabat said other targets of Moroccan ire, although not named specifically, included Amnesty International, France's human rights league, and the freedom foundation headed by President Mitterrand's wife Daniele.

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#90305d6830 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 1) - A highly poisonous 20 centimeter (eight inches) long Indian centipede caused a panic in the British capital's principal mail sorting center here when it escaped from its package, a post office official said Thursday.

After scuttling across envelopes and packages, the giant insect was finally captured by a man who trapped it in a box.

The orange and black striped centipede was part of a group of six sent in a balsa wood box to an animal dealer in the Midlands region in northern England.

Three of the group were found dead in their packages, and two others arrived safely at their destination.

The escapee ended his voyage on Wednesday at the London zoo.

The centipede, which feeds on mice and lizards, is one of the fastest-moving and most dangerous insects, according to London Zoo specialist Matthew Roberston.

With strong legs and formidable pincers, the animal pounces on its victims, paralyzes them and tears them apart.

A bite can cause nausea, cramps and sometimes death in humans, Mr. Robertson said.

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#90305d6870 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIRUT (NOV. 1) - A Palestinian organization headed by Abu Nidal on Thursday denounced a decision by the United States to extradite one of the group's militants to Israel.

The Fatah Revolutionary Council (FRC), in a statement to AFP, said the United States was "responsible for the security of Dr. Mahmoud al-Abed," a Palestinian with U.S. nationality who is also known as Mahmoud Atta.

Mr. Atta, 37, has been accused by Israel of terrorism in connection with a 1986 attack on a bus carrying Israeli settlers on the West Bank, which killed one and left one injured.

He was arrested in the United States three years ago and the U.S. Supreme Court on August 31 rejected his final appeal against extradition to Israel.

"The United States," according to the FRC, "is demonstrating its aggression against the Palestinian people and its just struggle to recover its rights and is new proof of close U.S. cooperation with the Zionist enemy."

The statement said the extradition Tuesday comes as Israeli authorities are permitting their security forces to open fire on Palestinian demonstrators.

It stressed that Mr. Atta is a "political prisoner and should have been covered by international conventions that would have prevented his extradition."

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#90305d6900 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 1) - Iran's new charge d'affaires in Britain, Seyed Shamseddin Kharghani, arrived here Thursday and was to officially reopen the Iranian Embassy on Friday.

Britain and Iran reestablished diplomatic relations in September in the wake of events surrounding the Gulf crisis. Ties were broken in March 1989, after Iran called for the assassination of British author Salman Rushdie for writing what it considered a blasphemous novel.

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Paris (NOV. 1) - Cocom, the western nations' committee which controls the sale of sensitive goods to the communist East Bloc nations, has blocked a proposed sale of two Airbus planes to Vietnam, French radio reported Thursday.

The radio said the reason for the decision was not yet known.

But it came as somewhat of a surprise in view of the fact that Cocom in recent months had considerably relaxed its regulations and had approved the sale of Airbus planes to the Soviet Union and other Comecon countries.

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BY SABET EL-MASRI

NICOSIA (NOV. 1) - Three months into the crisis sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, the Arab world stood as divided and impotent as ever, although some of Baghdad's friends have since had to soften their stances to avoid retribution from the international community.

The divisions emerged on August 10, eight days after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait at an emergency Arab League summit held in Cairo to assess the situation.

The meeting ended with only 12 of the League's members voting in favour of

a resolution denouncing the Iraq operation.

No common Arab initiative has been taken since then and none is likely to be endorsed unless, as Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said on Wednesday, Arabs can overcome their differences.

Mr. Mubarak was reacting to a call by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev for an inter-Arab conference to be held to find a political settlement to the crisis.

Recalling the failure to reach common ground in August, Mr. Mubarak said it was pointless to convene another Arab summit because the gathering could be little more than a gathering of "insults."

Egypt and the oil-producing Gulf states, with Saudi Arabia at their helm, have spearheaded the anti-Iraqi front that emerged in August.

These countries continue to lead the movement demanding an end to Iraq's occupation and the re-establishment of the legitimate Kuwaiti government.

Syria and Morocco also belong to the anti-Iraqi camp, and have along with Egypt volunteered some 25,000 troops to the kingdom to help shore up Saudi defenses.

But in recent week Damascus and Rabat have showed a more lenient approach towards Baghdad.

Damascus, which had scored points with the United States over its approach to the Gulf, recently denounced the United States for double standards and its

support for Israel, and stressed its opposition to the "destruction" of Iraq.

The Iraqi press welcomed these remarks, and has since stopped printing anti-Syrian propaganda.

Morocco, which was among the first to denounce Iraq, has taken a similar stand now saying that it has an independent policy on the Gulf.

The pro-Iraqi camp is made up of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, Jordan and Yemen.

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#90305d7040 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (NOV. 1) - Kuwaitis trapped in their occupied emirate have appealed for foreign intervention to protect the dwindling native population from Iraq's "reign of terror."

"The situation has deteriorated to the degree that no-one is safe from either arrest, torture or death," according to a letter smuggled out recently by an Arab businessman.

And a letter from an English-educated Kuwaiti businesswoman outlines the daily harrassment faced by the local population, notably young Kuwaiti men, during the three-month-old occupation.

The woman, declining to be named but identifying herself as a critic of the exiled Al-Sabah ruling family, said that her letter was compiled from reports by Kuwaitis, Egyptians, Moroccans and Indians released from detention.

They had been blindfolded and beaten after soldiers burst into their homes between 4 and 5 a.m.

They were then driven to interrogation centres where electric shocks and whippings were common, according to the reports.

"Kuwaitis who have been released emerge with horror stories of hearing their friends tortured to death," the letter said.

Iraqi soldiers arrested three Kuwaiti boys in the Mishref district of the capital. "After ten days, they rang the bell of their house and shot the boys in front of their parents," it said.

"Under this reign of terror, the plight of the Kuwaiti nationals in Kuwait within this occupation must be highlighted and efforts made internationally to safeguard their lives or alleviate their suffering."

A group of Arab businessmen who arrived in Cyprus after evacuating their

belongings from Kuwait City said many Kuwaitis had been forced to stay behind, although hundreds of thousands have fled to Saudi Arabia.

They cited cases of families who have had a son arrested or who have no funds or connections outside the country.

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#90305d7100 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, GERMANY (NOV. 1) - German police denied Thursday they had arranged with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency (Dea) for informants to place suitcases containing drugs on the Pan Am flight which exploded over Lockerbie in Scotland two years ago.

The Federal Criminal Police Office said there had been no such ''arrangement'' with the Dea.

The U.S. television network Nbc has reported that German authorities and the Dea had put suitcases containing heroin on Pan Am flight 103, apparently without the usual security checks, in a bid to track drug shipments to traffickers in the United States.

Unidentifed persons might have learned about the undercover action dubbed ''Operation Courier'', penetrated it and planted a bomb aboard the jetliner while it was in Frankfurt airport, Nbc said. The plane crashed on Dcember 21, 1988, killing all its 270 occupants.

The Dea has said it is investigating the report.

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#90305d7170 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 1) - Factional fighting within South Korea's ruling party appeared headed for protracted deadlock Thursday as its chairman Kim Young-Sam said he would not meet with anyone, apparently even President Roh Tae-Woo.

Opposition leader Kim Dae-Jung predicted that the ruling Democratic Liberal Party (DLP) was almost certain to break up under the weight of irreconcilable demands by the rival factions.

The row centers on Mr. Roh's plans to transform South Korea's system of government from a presidential to a parliamentary system.

Mr. Kim Young-Sam, who in January ended his decades in opposition to merge his party with Mr. Roh's and a third smaller party, said that changing to a parliamentary cabinet system like Japan's was not the purpose of the merger.

He spoke from the southeastern city of Masan, where he has been staying since

Wednesday after he publicly rejected Mr. Roh's plans to amend the constitution.

Asked whether he was in contact with Mr. Roh's faction, Mr. Kim Young-Sam was quoted by the local press as saying: "I have no intention of making contact with anyone nor do I wait for others to do so."

"I'm on my way to (the southern island of) Koje, forgetting about Seoul," he added.

Some 50 DLP lawmakers and 45 DLP local chapter chairmen belonging to Mr. Kim Young-Sam's faction expressed their support for his stand against the constitutional shift.

They also called for visible democratic reforms by the government including the amendment of the draconian National Security Law.

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#90305d7210 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PHNOM PENH (NOV. 1) - A senior United Nations official arrived here Thursday for talks on the repatriation from Thailand of thousands of Cambodian refugees officials said.

Deputy U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees Douglas Stafford arrived here from Bangkok, where sources said he discussed a future repatriation with Thai government and military officials.

Mr. Stafford is expected to meet senior officials here, including Prime Minister Hun Sen on Saturday, U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) officials here said.

He would also meet representatives of international organisations here linked to moves aimed at repatriating refugees or resettling and looking after displaced persons.

These would include the World Food Programme, the United Nations International Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the International Committee for the Red Cross (ICRC).

Mr. Stafford's schedule has been rearranged, however, because of the government decision to hold massive public celebrations Friday to mark the Festival of the Waters, the UNHCR officials said.

Observers noted that a UNHCR delegation had visited Cambodia earlier in the year to prepare the groundwork for repatriation of the more than 300,000 Cambodians who fled fighting or harsh living conditions at home and are now housed in camps along the Thai border.

The camps are controlled by Cambodian resistance groups, including the Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge and two non-communist groups led by former monarch Prince Norodom Sihanouk and former prime minister Son Sann.

Repatriation plans have been drawn up in expectation of a settlement to the 12-year war between the resistance and the Vietnam-backed Phnom Penh government.

International efforts to end the war have deadlocked, however, because of differences between the factions on the composition of a joint interim authority, the Supreme National Council.

Last month the Cambodia government called on the United Nations to take steps toward the immediate return of the refugees from Thailand after an accord.

The anti-Phnom Penh factions recruit guerrillas and porters in the camps, which they also use as posts for infiltrating Cambodia.

Mr. Stafford, a U.S. citizen, is due to leave here Monday.

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#90305d7230 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 1) - A spokesman for the Archbishop of Canterbury on Thursday called on the British government to resume diplomatic relations with Syria to help free British hostages in Lebanon.

The appeal came after the brother of British hostage Terry Waite, who has being held since January 1987, called for a resumption of British-Syrian ties on Wednesday following a meeting between relatives of the hostages and kin of Iranian diplomats detained in Beirut in 1982.

Mr. Waite went to Beirut in January 1987 to negotiate the release of British hostages on behalf of the Archbishop of Canterbury, but he never returned from his mission.

The two other hostages still held in Lebanon are cameraman John McCarthy who was kidnapped in April 1986 and former pilot Jack Mann who disappeared in May last year.

The government's refusal to talk to Syrian officials was "a silly way to conduct foreign policy", spokesman John Lyttle, who attended Wednesday's meeting, said in an interview to the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC).

"I think for the first time the families of the British hostages have a quite serious disagreement with the policy of the British Government, that is the policy towards Syria".

"You cannot expect one state to grovel to another any more than you can expect one individual to grovel to another", he said.

"If you want to have some successful outcome, you have to look at how Syria has behaved over recent years, whatever they may be accused of doing four years ago or five years ago," he added.

Mr. Lyttle said contacts with Damascus were more urgent now because the security situation in Beirut had improved.

London broke off diplomatic relations in 1986 after British court findings that Syrian authorities had been involved in an aborted attack on an Israeli airliner.

London resumed diplomatic ties with Iran last month.

Commenting on Mr. Lyttle's appeal, a spokesman for the Foreign Office said: "We have consistently made clear our wish to normalise relations with Syria but there are unresolved problems".

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#90305d7250 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 1) - The Iraqi general command Thursday held its second meeting here in three days under President Saddam Hussein devoted to the situation in the Gulf, the Iraqi News Agency reported.

It said the meeting, the third this week, was also attended by Iraq's second-in-command, Izzat Ibrahim, and Information Minister Latif Jassem.

President Hussein on Tuesday warned his officers to be prepared for a possible U.S. attack by the end of the week and raised the possibility of fighting inside Iraqi-controlled Kuwait.

The president also met his commanders on Monday.

The meetings come just ahead of a mission to Europe and the Gulf of U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, during which -- according to the Los Angeles Times -- he will discuss a timetable for a possible assault on Iraqi forces in Kuwait.

But U.S. President George Bush on Wednesday stressed that he has no such timetable for military action.

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#90305d7270 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (NOV. 1) - The support group for families of Irish hostages said

Thursday that three Irish parliamentarians had left for an unofficial visit to Iraq to try and obtain the release of 220 Irish hostages.

Prime Minister Charles Haughey criticised the trip. He said it was counter to an agreement reached last weekend by the 12 European Economic Community heads of state and government to end official and discourage private trips to Iraq to negotiate hostages' release.

The three parliamentarians, David Andrews (of the ruling Fianna Fail party), Paul Bradford (Fine Gael) and Michael Higgins (Labour) said their mission was purely humanitarian.

They said they were due to meet several senior Iraqi government officials and hoped for a meeting with President Saddam Hussein.

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#90305d7310 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (NOV. 1) - Italy celebrated the 498th anniversary of the discovery of America by Christopher Colombus on Thursday with a party for all ambassadors from the American continent and those of Spain and Portugal.

Ivo Butini, foreign secretary of state, told his guests that for the 500th anniversary of the discovery in 1992, Italy will hold "Columbian Celebrations." Most of these will be held in Genoa, Columbus's birthplace, alongside an international exhibition on ships and the sea.

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#90305d7330 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 1) - President Mikhail Gorbachev has appointed the author Chingiz Aitmatov as Soviet ambassador to Luxembourg, Tass news agency said Thursday.

Mr. Aitmatov, 61, thought to have been among the candidates for this year's Nobel literature prize, also sits on the presidential council, which advises Mr. Gorbachev on domestic and foreign policy.

Among his best-known works are "Executioner's Block" and "The White Steamship".

The author, who is from the republic of Kirghizia in central Soviet Asia, is to replace outgoing Ambassador Alexander Avdeyev.

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#90305d7340 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 1) - The offer by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to allow families of several thousand Western hostages held in Baghdad to visit their

relations over the Christmas and New Year holiday provoked anger here Thursday.

The British Foreign Office called the offer ''disgraceful and cynical'' and accused Baghdad of trying to exploit for its own ends the emotions of people going through a very trying phase of their family lives.

Washington has not yet officially responded to the offer which was announced by the official Iraqi News Agency (Ina) Thursday. The terse despatch said Iraqi embassies around the world had been instructed by the foreign ministry to issue visas to the families of foreign nations being held in Iraq.

The measure applied to the ''... families of the foreigners hosted in Iraqi vital installations if they wanted to visit them on the occasion of Christmas and New Year,'' said Ina.

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#90305d7360 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (NOV. 1) - Sex should be permitted among elderly people living in nursing homes, the Australian government said here Thursday, prompting one religious order to threaten closure of its institutions if forced to comply.

Health Services Minister Peter Staples, who has proposed a charter of rights for people living in nursing homes, warned one Roman Catholic order it would lose government funding if it denied residents their sexual rights.

The Roman Catholic Church maintains that sexual relations can take place only in the sanctity of marriage.

Australian Catholic Bishops adviser Brian O'Donovan said the government could not use economic power to impose its own morality.

The government wants to give aged people the same rights in nursing homes as they would have in their own homes, including the right to have sex outside marriage.

Clause 8.3 of the charter says residents have the "right to have language, sexual and emotional needs and choices accepted and treated with respect" unless they offended or infringed on the rights of the proprietor, staff or other residents.

The Little Sisters of the Poor, a Roman Catholic order caring for the aged, has threatened to close six nursing homes if "sexual revolutionaries" insisted on residents' rights to sex outside marriage.

Regional head of the order Mother Mary John said the charter would go against their beliefs.

"The draft agreement aims to give the residents the 'right' to indulge in adultery, fornication or sodomy in our homes, provided they do not do so in public," Mother Mary John said.

Mr. Staples called on the sisters to show "a little Christian charity."

The Combined Pensioners' Association welcomed the charter, saying nursing home residents should be allowed basic human rights, including sexual expression.

But the National Association of Nursing Homes and Private Hospitals backed the Church, saying nursing homes should be allowed to set rules for residents, including those governing sexual behaviour.

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#90305d7380 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 1) - French President Francois Mitterrand said Thursday that international law must be respected with regard to Lebanon and the Arab-Israeli conflict just as it has been applied to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Speaking to the Egyptian daily Al-Ahram, Mr. Mitterrand said that "the rule of law, for which respect is demanded concerning the invasion of Kuwait," must "also be equally respected throughout the world in accordance with the resolutions of the United Nations," including Lebanon and the Arab-Israeli conflict.

"What is in question in this crisis," he said, "is the respect of law, without which there can be no international order. Therefore, the entire international community is concerned, and its unity and solidarity demonstrates that it understands perfectly what it at stake."

Mr. Mitterrand, on a visit during which he is to dedicate a French-speaking university in Alexandria, advocated the establishment of a "security and cooperation system" stretching from the Gulf to the Atlantic and associating both the north and south shores of the Mediterranean.

However, he said that such a system could only be constructed after the resolution of the major conflicts in the region, including the question of Lebanon, the Palestinian issue and the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Mr. Mitterrand predicted that Europe, which he said was "increasingly recognized each day as one of the essential pillars of the new international order which we are attempting to establish," will have a "beneficial role" to play towards the Arab world.

He advocated the reinforcement of dialogue between Europe and the Arab world, and renewed a call, originally made during an adress at the United Nations,

for a plan to deal with security and disarmament questions in the Middle East.

Mr. Mitterrand rejected the idea that the Gulf conflict was a conflict between rich and poor nations, "since Iraq, with its considerable oil reserves and its already advanced technology, cannot be classed among the poor countries."

He also cited the French-speaking university which he is to inaugurate on Sunday in Alexandria as "a model of North-South cooperation."

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#90305d7390 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 1) - Nikolai Ryzhkov has pledged to stay on as Soviet Prime Minister despite strong criticism of his government over economic policy, the Moskovski Komsomolets newspaper reported here Thursday.

"I'm not holding on to my job," he said in an interview. But "I feel the country needs me" and "to start to change everything at this stage (as economic reform gets underway) would be tantamount to a death sentence," he said.

"I've been holding the government together by force. Dozens of ministers are coming to me, asking to be allowed to resign. I tell them I won't allow it, unless it's for health reasons. If you are healthy, you can and must continue to work, I say to them".

"Everyone is tired, but the government must continue in office," he added.

Forming a new government would be a lengthy process and the country, faced with the task of building a market economy, could ill afford to change horses in midstream, he said.

"I shall continue in office so long as I am needed (...) and "will only go if I see I'm not capable of doing something for the country," he said.

Speaking of the Russian Federation's decision to embark, starting Thursday, on its own more radical economic reform plan, Mr. Ryzhkov said the union's reform blueprint allowed for individual republics to adopt their own programmes.

"But general principals must correspond. If we are to live in a same country, we must play according to the same rules," he said.

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#90305d7410 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 1) - The introduction of a new rate for the commercial ruble on Thursday created havoc in Moscow where banks stopped selling dollars, hard-currency shops closed for the day and various state organisations refused

orders for goods labelled in dollars until the air had cleared.

The new rate, set by presidential decree last Friday, devalues the commercial ruble -- used for foreign business transactions -- by 66 per cent against the U.S. dollar. The rate had not changed since 1961.

The commercial ruble is now worth 0.6 dollars, compared to 1.6 dollars previously.

But most people appeared confused by the change. One Moscow bank on Thursday refused to sell customers dollars, saying they did not yet know what the rate was.

And the beriozkas -- the hard-currency shops -- outside which long queues of Russians had formed over the past few days, closed in order to change price tags for their goods which are labeled in hard rubles.

In addition, to the commercial rate, the ruble still has an almost meaningless official rate set at 0.55 to the dollar, retained mainly so that the country will not lose out on debts owed to it by the third world.

There is also a tourist ruble rate (5.5 to the dollar), a rate set by auction for the purchase of foreign currency for business purposes (about 21 to the dollar) and a black market rate -- currently about 15 rubles to the dollar.

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#90305d7500 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 1) - The parliament of the Gagauz ethnic minority in the Soviet republic of Moldavia has elected a government and a prime minister, Stepan Topal, Interfax press agency reported Thursday.

The Gagauz republic's unilateral declaration of independence from Moldavia last August was not recognized by Moldavia.

The Gagauz parliament, elected last week, voted that its decisions would not become effective for 10 days pending talks with Moldavia to settle the dispute over the Gagauz secession, Tass news agency said.

Moldavia imposed a state of emergency in the Gaugaz region on October 26.

Moldavian Communist party chief Pyotr Luchinski meanwhile left for talks with President Mikhail Gorbachev in Moscow, seeking Soviet support for Moldavia's rejection of the Gagauz move and of the declaration of independence made by ethnic Russians in the eastern Moldavian Dniestr region.

The Moldavian parliament in Kishinev convened Thursday to discuss the "political and social situation in the republic and the means to overcome the

crisis", Tass and Interfax said.

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#90305d7540 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (NOV. 1) - The 21-member organisation Arab League Thursday officially resumed work here at its old headquarters after an 11-year absence.

The League moved its headquarters to Tunis in 1979 in protest against Egypt's peace agreement with Israel. Last March, the Arab League unanimously agreed to move its headquarters back to Cairo.

Asaad al-Asaad, Arab League managing general secretary, said after a meeting with Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel-Meguid he hoped differences among Arab nations over the Gulf crisis would end and ''Arab solidarity among brothers would be restored''.

The Egyptian news agency Mena quoted Abdel-Meguid as saying after the meeting that the League was the ''home of all Arabs''.

But he refused to say whether the planned regular Arab League summit, scheduled in Cairo on November 24, would take place in the light of the present differences in the Arab world.

Meanwhile, Egypt and Qatar were the first to appoint their ambassadors to the League headquarters.

Egypt was suspended from the Arab League after its late president, Anwar Sadat signed the 1979 peace treaty with Israel and and almost all Arab nations severed relations with Cairo.

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#90305d7590 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 1) - The Iraqi occupation of Kuwait enters its fourth month on Friday with the U.S. ground force in Saudi Arabia growing stronger by the day but increasingly impatient to either go to war or go home.

Many U.S. troops, dreading the prospect of months on end of the crushing tedium of the Saudi desert, say they are ready to take on Iraq's formidable army now.

"Let us fight and get it over with or let us go home," said Lieutenant Kirk Allen, a U.S. Army scout, expressing a sentiment voiced repeatedly by weary front-line American soldiers.

"It's the sitting and waiting that's getting everybody," added an officer in the 82nd Airborne Division, one of the first units to arrive in Saudi Arabia.

Along with other U.S. officers, however, he stressed that the standoff with Iraq had allowed for intensive training in desert warfare for raw U.S. troops.

U.S. soldiers, while they may naturally complain at times, are learning how to live and fight in the desert, said U.S. Army Colonel Walt Mather, commander of a 4,500-strong mechanized brigade.

Col. Mather, whose M-1 tanks and Bradley fighting vehicles have been deployed in a forward position since September 22, said his men have become "desert-tough."

Despite the grumbling in the ranks over food, boredom and lack of news, military analysts agree that each passing day is to the advantage of the potent U.S. war machine assembled in Saudi Arabia.

U.S. President George Bush's initial stated goal of defending Saudi Arabia has been long assured, they said, but more troops and tanks would be needed to roll back the 430,000 Iraqi troops in Kuwait and southern Iraq while minimizing U.S. casualties.

The several hundred top-of-the-line M-1A1 tanks currently on the way to Saudi Arabia from Europe and additional U.S. ground forces would make an offensive possible by the end of the month, they said.

Iraqi troops who have been in Kuwait since August 2, meanwhile, are said by Western officials to be slowly but surely feeling the squeeze from the U.N.-imposed economic and military embargo effectively enforced by an international flotilla of warships.

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#90305d7620 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (NOV. 1) - U.S. and Vietnamese experts are to meet here next week for talks on U.S. soldiers missing in action (MIA) during the Vietnam War, a spokesman for the Vietnamese Foreign Ministry said Thursday.

The November 7-9 meeting will focus on analysing 11 search operations for MIAs jointly conducted by Vietnamese and U.S. experts in the last two years, the spokesman said.

The experts would also discuss a "programme of future cooperation," he added.

The meeting was agreed upon during recent talks in Washington between Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach and General John Vessey, special adviser to U.S. President George Bush on humanitarian issues related to the Vietnam War.

Mr. Thach said Tuesday in Bangkok that Vietnam had accepted a U.S. proposal to base a permanent representative here to handle the MIA question.

Mr. Thach and Gen. Vessey also agreed in Washington to step up bilateral cooperation in the search for MIAs, the spokesman said.

Asked about recent statements by U.S. legislators that some living U.S. servicemen were still in Vietnam, he said no living American remained under Vietnamese control.

Since Gen. Vessey's first visit to Hanoi in August 1987, Vietnamese authorities have handed over human remains believed to be those of 260 U.S. soldiers. Only 100 have been identified as MIA remains.

According to U.S. statistics, 1,677 MIAs remain in Vietnam, 530 in Laos, 83 in Cambodia and six in China.

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#90305d7640 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (NOV. 1) - Irish Prime Minister Charles Haughey provisionally took over as defense minister Thursday, one day after sacking his vice premier and defense minister, Brian Lenihan, officials said.

The prime minister will announce the name of a new defense minister in a minor reshuffle at a later date, sources added.

Mr. Lenihan, 60, is accused of putting improper pressure on President Patrick Hillery in January 1982 to name Mr. Haughey prime minister of a minority government without calling elections after the previous government had collapsed.

Mr. Lenihan stepped down only 15 minutes before a no-confidence vote which could have brought down the Haughey government.

The defense minister, a close friend of Mr. Haughey's and the candidate of the ruling Fianna Fail party in the November 7 presidential elections, has repeatedly denied the allegations, but acknowledged the facts in a little publicised interview with a political science student in May last year.

He remains Fianna Fail's candidate for the presidency despite the scandal.

Mr. Haughey pledged that he would do anything he could possibly do to support Mr. Lenihan in the elections, but Labour Party candidate Mary Robinson has gained a 21 per cent edge over Mr. Lenihan in opinion polls since the "Dublingate" scandal broke two weeks ago.

Mrs. Robinson, a 46-year-old mother of three, would be a change for staunchly

Catholic, conservative Ireland. She has liberal ideas about highly controversial issues such as homosexuality, contraception and abortion.

Furthermore, Ireland has never had a woman president.

Mr. Lenihan, who in more than thirty years in politics headed the ministries of transport, justice, education, farming, defense and foreign affairs, remains extremely popular in rural areas.

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LONDON (NOV. 1) - Not even 48 hours after Channel tunnel drillers ended Britain's status as an island forever, a wave of anti-French sentiment sweeping the country erupted Thursday in the pages of the conservative tabloid The Sun.

"Up yours, Delors", shouted the front-page headline of the four-million circulation daily, one of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's staunchest supporters.

Readers of the newspaper were urged to "bawl at the Gauls" at noon Friday throughout Britain.

The Sun, part of a group owned by Australian-American press magnate Rupert Murdoch that also includes the respected newspaper The Times, has made a habit of insulting their neighbours across the Channel. But it was the first time it had devoted three pages to the effort.

At last Saturday's European Economic Community summit in Rome, Britain stood out as the only one of the Twelve to oppose setting a timetable for phase two of European monetary and economic union and eventually a single currency. European Commission President Jacques Delors, a Frenchman, has become the symbol of detested France in the eyes of ultra-conservatives here.

It is he who is seen as trying to steal Britain's sovereignty, as expressed through its currency the pound sterling.

The Sun said it "calls on its patriotic family of readers" to take special aim at Mr. Delors.

"Sun readers are urged to tell the French fool where to stuff his ECU," the paper said, referring to the European Currency Unit which may become the future common currency.

Mrs. Thatcher highlighted the opposition of many people in Britain to moves to create a "United States of Europe" when she voiced spirited opposition to plans for European monetary and political union, during a defense of her stand

at the summit in parliament here Tuesday.

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#90305d7830 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FOLKESTONE, ENGLAND (NOV. 1) - Fire broke out Thursday in the tunnel being built under the English Channel, forcing construction workers to evacuate on the British side, firemen said.

They said the fire appeared to have started in a compressor inside a service tunnel. It was quickly put out, but smoke filled up part of the excavations, forcing workers to flee.

There were no casualties.

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#90305d7870 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 1) - The British defense ministry has postponed its choice of a new battle tank to replace some 200 of its ageing Chieftan tanks until next spring, a defense ministry spokesman said Thursday.

He said the decision was postponed because of the Gulf crisis and cuts in military spending linked to the end of the Cold War.

The models competing to replace the 25-year-old Chieftans are the Vickers Challenger 2, the General Dynamics M1A2, the Krauss-Maffei Leopard 2 and the French Leclerc.

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#90305d7900 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 1) - Britain's last two diplomats in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait have enough food to hold out for another two months, the mother of one of them said Thursday.

"He said they are managing well and have food to last until the New Year", Jean Banks said after she received a letter from her son, British Consul Larry Banks, "After that, I don't suppose they'll ever want to see another frankfurter for the rest of their lives".

It was the first letter she had had from him since the crisis began.

Mr. Banks and Ambassador Michael Weston have been confined to the embassy for almost three months. They drank champagne when Iraqi soldiers took up posts around the building.

Mrs. Banks said her son wrote that he and the ambassador were "managing to

keep fit, presumably by exercising and gardening in the compound" although they found themselves bored without television or electricity.

She said the consul was still able to carry out part of his duties by telephone, although Britons who remained in Kuwait lived in hiding.

He also "confirmed that the Iraqis were looting everything and that there was very little traffic about except for military vehicles", she said.

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#90305d7970 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV. 1) - A Cuban delegation is to visit Thailand by mid-November to discuss economic cooperation, foreign ministry spokesman Sakthip Krairiksh said Thursday.

Mr. Sakthip said Cuba has expressed interest in promoting bilateral direct trade with Thailand rather than going through the Soviet Union and China, as has been the case up to now.

Cuba wants to buy rice, sugar, coffee, cacao and machinery from Thailand, but has requested long-term credit lines of between 20 and 30 million dollars to do so, the spokesman said.

The Cuban delegation is expected to encourage Thai investment in Cuba.

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#90305d8010 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 1) - French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas will visit Morocco next week to resolve a bitter crisis in bilateral ties touched off by a controversial French book that refers to alleged human rights abuse in the kingdom, sources said here Thursday.

The book, Our Friend the King, by French author Gilles Perrault refers to several cases of of alleged human right abuses in Morocco in the past few years.

The book prompted Moroccan King Hassan Ii to scrap a planned Moroccan festivities in Paris, censor the French media in his country and even warn to end cooperation with France.

The Paris government sources said Dumas would discuss the issue with Moroccan King Hassan Ii during his visit.

Moroccan Premier Ezeddin Laraki has lodged an official protest with France, complaining of ''a slander campaign'' and of French interference in Morocco's internal affairs.

Ties between France and its former colony are also strained over a recent visit by Danielle Mitterrand, wife of the French president, to a camp in Algeria housing refugees from Moroccan-annexed Western Sahara.

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#90305d8030 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV. 1) - Burma's military government has granted 2,070 private trading licenses since it introduced an open-door economic system in November 1988, official Radio Rangoon said Thursday.

That included 622 export and 1,448 import licenses, the radio said in a broadcast monitored here.

It said 535 private Burmese enterprises and 503 joint-venture firms had been registered since the system was adopted, and 73 foreign firms had opened local branches.

The ruling military junta, which seized power in a September 1988 coup after crushing a student-led nationwide pro-democracy movement, has implemented the open-door economic policy to revive Burma's ailing economy.

The bloody coup was preceded by 26 years of military-backed isolationist, socialist rule blamed for gutting the economy of the resource-rich Southeast Asian country.

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#90305d8040 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 1) - Footwork International, a Japanese parcel delivery company, said Thursday it is buying a majority stake in the five-star Steigenberger luxury hotel in Berlin for about 10 billion yen (75 million dollars).

The Osaka-based firm plans to purchase the remainder of Steigenberger's shares over the next two or three years to secure a foothold in the European market, Footwork officials said.

The 400-room hotel is currently owned by some 400 investors, they said.

The officials projected Steigenberger's revenues in 1991 at 4.5 billion yen (35 million dollars).

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#90305d8080 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (NOV. 1) - Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda Thursday reshuffled his cabinet, appointing a new foreign minister and dropping a junior minister of

state whom he described as "intolerable."

President Kaunda announced that General Benjamin Mibenge would take over from Foreign Minister Luke Mwananshiku, who was seconded to the International Monetary Fund in Washington D.C.

President Kaunda fired Michael Sata as decentralisation minister "because he has been saying very bad things against us. I think he has become intolerable and I cannot hold my patience any longer."

Mr. Sata is widely believed to be a supporter of the Movement for Multi-party Democracy (MMD) and is a popular member of parliament for Kabwata, one of the biggest constituencies in the Zambian capital.

The MMD opposes President Kaunda's one-party rule.

Also reshuffled were the ministers of health and lands and natural resources. Health minister Mavis Muyundah was moved to the ministry of lands and natural resources while her deputy, Jeremiah Chijikwa, took over from her.

The Zambian leader also said he would relieve all defence personnel currently serving in his party of all party posts and "bring them back to the barracks," but did not elaborate.

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#90305d8100 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 1) - Private investment in plants and equipment will slow next year as a result of higher interest rates, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry reported Thursday.

A survey of 1,605 major Japanese companies showed that their capital spending in the current fiscal year ending in March would rise 18.2 percent to 19.79 trillion yen (about 150 billion dollars), despite the stockmarket debacle and rising oil prices, the ministry said.

But the growth rate will shrink to 2.5 percent in the next fiscal year, the survey showed.

"The expansionary phase of capital spending is nearing a turning point," a ministry official said. "There is the possibility of the 2.5 percent growth being revised downward."

Of the companies, 28 percent said they would cut back their investment if interest rates remain at current levels, the official said.

"It is deemed necessary to prevent high interest rates from cooling capital spending," he said.

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#90305d8150 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PESHAWAR, PAKISTAN (NOV. 1) - Sibghatullah Mujaddedi, president of the Afghan Interim Government (Aig) of mujahedin guerrillas based in Pakistan, left here Thursday for a visit to Teheran.

Aig sources said Mujaddedi ''will hold talks with the leaders and senior officials of Iran on the problems of Afghanistan''.

His visit to Iran follows renewed efforts by the U.S.-backed mujahedin groups to achieve political and military unity. Several Iranian-backed Moslem Shiite Afghan guerrilla groups have fundamental differences with Aig.

Powerful guerrilla commander Ahmad Shah Massoud, who controls northeast Afghanistan, recently made up with the Hizbe Islami group of Gulbuddin Hikmetyar, an old enemy.

They agreed on joint military action but Hikmetyar's plan for going for Kabul, Afghanistan's capital, was given in favour of first attacking Najibullah regime's weak points in the countryside.

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#90305d8170 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMSTERDAM (NOV. 1) - The Dutch central bank on Thursday increased its discount rate by 0.25 percentage points to 7.25 per cent with effect from Friday, the bank said.

The bank made its announcement shortly after the central German Bundesbank had increased its short-term Lombard rate by 0.5 of a point to 8.5 per cent.

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#90305d8200 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUCHAREST (NOV. 1) - About two hundred people shouting anti-government slogans, denounced Romania's price liberalization policy in a demonstration in central University Square here Thursday.

The demonstrators carried banners saying "New prices, a step toward misery" and "Down with the communist government. Comrade Iliescu resign", and "Down with Iliescu", referring to President Ion Iliescu.

Romanian Prime Minister Petre Roman on Wednesday hailed the price liberalization as "the most radical measure since the revolution" which overthrew President Nicolae Ceausescu last December.

But members of the country's upper house earlier asked that the new measures, which came into force Thursday, be postponed until January 1.

Some members of parliament had described the liberalization as nothing more than a disguised price hike.

The government has maintained that price increases will affect only wholesale costs and will not immediately raise prices for such basic products as electricity, coal, food and children's clothing.

Minister of Economic Orientation Eugen Djimarescu has promised that the government will make up the difference until January 1, 1991, through a 14 billion lei (400 million dollar) price support program.

Workers are to receive a 750-lei (20-dollar) bonus a month to make up for higher prices. The average salary in Romania stands at 3,000 lei (90 dollars).

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#90305d8240 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 1) - Servicemen at Clark Air Base have been banned from non-essential off-base travel ahead of talks on the future of U.S. military facilities in the Philippines, officials said Thursday.

The restrictions were imposed due to a perceived increase in threats to U.S. military personnel before the third round of talks, opening here next week, on the future of the bases, Clark spokesman Colonel Ron Rand said over U.S. armed forces television.

He was apparently referring to possible attacks on U.S. personnel by communist guerrillas trying to disrupt the negotiations.

Communist guerrillas killed two U.S. airmen outside Clark in May just before the first round of bases talks began.

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#90305d8260 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 1) - Two African heads of state and a foreign minister are to visit China this month, the Chinese Foreign Ministry said here Thursday.

Zairean President Mobutu Sese Seko is to pay an official visit November 8-10, his fifth since 1973, when he met Chairman Mao Zedong.

Omar Hassan Ahmed al-Beshir, the head of Sudan's military junta, is scheduled to visit from November 7 to 11, while Burundi's foreign minister, Cyprien Mbonimpa, will be in China from Monday for five days.

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#90305d8320 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) - U.S. rice millers Thursday lashed out at South Korea, Japan and the European Economic Community (EEC) for blocking moves to lower import barriers and export subsidies for rice in the current General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) negotiations.

David Graves, president of the U.S. Rice Millers' Association, listed his complaints in letters sent Thursday to Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter and Trade Representative Carla Hills.

"The lack of willingness of these parties to negotiate meaningful reductions on import barriers and export subsidies is irresponsible (and) ... out of step with the world and what is necessary for their economic growth," said Mr. Graves.

He came out in support of the U.S. position at the Uruguay Round of the GATT talks calling for a worldwide reduction in import tariffs and export subsidies on agricultural products.

Japan and South Korea ban rice imports outright, while the EEC limits additional exports of U.S. rice by a variable tariff and by subsidising local production.

Mr. Graves warned that the positions taken by the two Asian nations and the EEC would prevent success in the Uruguay Round, which is due to conclude next month in Brussels.

"If the Round fails," he warned in his letter, "the U.S. will remember who was helpful and who was not."

U.S. rice millers, he added, were prepared to gain market access through "bilateral negotiations of any and all means" if the negotiations failed.

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#90305d8340 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 1) - South Africa has established a trade mission in the Togo capital of Lome to lobby for admission to the Lome Convention, the Johannesburg Star said Thursday.

A Foreign Affairs Ministry spokeswoman could not confirm the report.

Acceptance of South Africa into the Lome agreement could pave the way for preferential trade ties with the European Community as well as possible economic aid from the EEC.

The Lome Convention is an agreement between the countries of the EEC and AfricanCaribbeanPacific countries, which gives ACP governments preferential trade access to the EEC and substantial development aid.

Earlier this week Foreign Minister Pik Botha called for South Africa to be recognised as a developing rather than a developed country, drawing attention to possible aid benefits.

In addition to the lobbying function, South Africa's Lome mission has been set up to oversee a South African-sponsored development project, the report said.

The mission does not have consular status but "representation of interest" and is staffed by foreign affairs ministry personnel.

The ACP countries are mostly former dependencies of Britain, France and Belgium.

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#90305d8740 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV. 1) - Pakistan on Thursday condemned the desecration of a mosque in Ayodhya, India, by Hindu fundamentalists.

In a statement issued here, Foreign Minister Sahabzada Yaqub Khan expressed "deep shock and anguish over the desecration" and called upon the Indian government to "fulfil its duty by stopping the communal violence and protect its Moslem minority."

"The government and people of Pakistan," he said, "abhor and condemn the countrywide agitation in India launched by extremist anti-Moslem elements to demolish the Babri Masjid and to replace it with the Hindu temple."

Mr. Yaqub Khan said that "for over 500 years the Babri Masjid has been revered by the Moslems of India as a place of worship and outstanding historical Islamic monument."

"It is regrettable that the Indian law enforcement agencies have not been able to prevent the assault on Babri Masjid or to control the anti-Moslem violence in the various parts of the country," he said.

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#90305d8760 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (NOV. 1) - The Czechoslovak government approved a parliamentary bill on Thursday for privatization of big government-owned firms, Finance Minister Vaclav Klaus announced here.

According to the bill, which should be passed before the end of the year, such

firms will have to develop their own plans for the privatization process, including such points as the schedule and whether the sale should be made to employees, the local population, or by auction.

The plans will then be considered in turn by the appropriate government - federal, Czech or Slovak - depending on the firm's importance, the minister said.

The bill before parliament provides for several privatization methods, including a "coupon" one. Some special coupons valid for 12 to 18 months will be sold at low prices to Czechoslovaks, who will be able to exchange them for shares and thus "invest" in companies that interest them.

Mr. Klaus said the coupons could not be sold to foreigners or to Czechoslovaks residing abroad.

Capital not covered by such coupons will be available to foreign investors.

The minister said that, assuming the bill as adopted before the end of the year, the first privatizations of big companies could occur starting next March.

Parliament has already decided to privatize about 100,000 small businesses, to be sold at auction starting on December 1.

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#90305d8770 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (NOV. 1) - British Defence Secretary Tom King reiterated here Thursday that Britain and other states were determined to end Iraq's occupation of Kuwait and restore the Arab sheikhdom's legitimate government.

''What we want is the termination of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the elimination of occupation. Saddam has no other options. He must withdraw and retreat to inside the border of his country. The other option is war and fighting,'' King told the Bahraini daily Akhbar al-Khaleej.

French President Francois Mitterrand was reported by French radio Thursday as saying that decisions which could turn the Gulf crisis into full-scale war were likely to be made next week. The key period would come after United States Congressional elections scheduled for November 6, Mitterrand said late Wednesday.

British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd told the Daily Telegraph newspaper Thursday that Iraq must not be left in any doubt that the United States-led multinational force in the Gulf would soon have enough troops in the region to wage a war.

Meanwhile, Britain slammed as ''disgraceful and cynical'' Iraq's offer to allow the families of some of the several thousand Western hostages held in Iraq to visit their relatives over the Christmas and New Year holiday.

The Iraqis were trying to exploit the feelings of people enduring an extremely trying period in their family lives, said officials and appealed to relatives of those being held against their will in Iraq not to take up Baghdad's offer.

Washington has not yet responded to the offer expressed in a terse despatch from the official Iraqi new agency Ina. Iraqi embassies around the world had been instructed by the foreign ministry to issue visas to the families of foreign nationals being held in Iraq, said the agency.

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#90305d8830 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 1) - Some 70 Soviet students Thursday staged a strike near the Kremlin demanding the resignation of Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov, reports said.

The students demand the nationalisation of property belonging to the ruling Communist party, a depolitisation of public life and the introduction of a civil service as alternative to military service.

Their action began as a one-day hunger strike, but following a police order to disperse, the students said they would turn is in a warning strike. There were no reports of incidents.

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#90305d8850 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 1) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has authorised four U.S. citizens detained here to return home, the official Iraqi News Agency INA reported Thursday.

INA said Mr. Hussein's decision was in reply to a request by a visiting U.S. delegation.

Last week Mr. Hussein allowed 14 elderly and ill Americans who had been trapped in Iraq since its August 2 invasion of Kuwait to return home after a similar request.

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#90305d9150 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 1) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,328.00 (1,364.00) 1,317.00 (1,350.50)
Lead 369.00 (372.50) 372.50 (375.25)
Zinc Sh 1,294.00 (1,296.00) 1,289.00 (1,294.00)
Tin 6,275.00 (6,330.00) 6,255.00 (6,290.00)
Aluminium 1,915.50 (1,949.00) 1,723.00 (1,752.50)
Nickel 8,700.00 (8,675.00) 8,305.00 (8,312.50)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90305d9200 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LULEAA, SWEDEN (NOV. 1) - Atmospheric nuclear tests at Semipalatinsk in the Soviet Union up to 1963 affected half a million people more or less seriously, a Soviet doctor told a conference Thursday.

Professor Maira Zjangelova told an anti-nuclear weapons congress of Swedish doctors that a third of the children born since tests began at the site in Kazakhstan in 1949 were deformed.

A major increase in the incidence of cancer, leukemia and immune deficiency related diseases had also been noted, added Prof. Zjangelova, who works at the Semipalatinsk hospital.

After 1963, nuclear test blasts were conducted underground, but protests from local people led to the transfer of tests to the Arctic island of Novaya Zemlya, where one was conducted last week.

Prof. Zjangelova said medical details of the effects of the tests were secret until last year. She explained that she was studying the effects of radiation on the basis of documents to be published in the next few months.

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#90305d9240 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAKARTA (NOV. 1) - The World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) plans to use satellite technology to carry out a census of the rhinoceros population on the western tip of Java island early next year, the Antara news agency said Thursday.

"The census will be held to know the exact population of this rare and protected species," WWF official Michael Griffith told Antara, adding that it would also help determine the population of other rare species at the Ujung Kulon reserve.

Wild steers and leopards also live in Ujung Kulon.

Officials have said there were around 60 Java rhinos left in the park, the only region where they are still be found.

Mr. Griffith said Indonesian officials planned to precede the census with a month-long count through direct sightings and the study of traces in an effort to determine the accuracy of the high-tech method.

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#90305d9270 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) - Tuesday's U.S. elections are expected to boost the representation of women and minorities in Congress and in high statewide offices, reflecting their growing clout as a result of more active participation in the political process, political observers said Thursday.

In the 435-member House of Representatives, there are currently 29 women, 24 blacks, 12 Hispanics and six Asian-Pacific Americans, while the 100-member Senate has two women, two Asian Americans but neither a black nor Hispanic member.

Of the nation's 50 governors, three are women, one black, one Hispanic and one of Hawaiian ancestry.

This year, eight women are running for governor, another eight for the Senate, 68 for the House of Representatives and 85 for statewide office.

"We're predicting that the percentage of women in Congress will go up from the current five per cent to seven per cent after Tuesday's elections," said Kim Gandy, treasurer of National Organization of Women (NOW) political action committee here.

"We are growing steadily at the state level and hope to go beyond the current 17 per cent (of all state legislatures around the country). More women are getting experience and exposure at the local level and they are slowly working their way up to higher state and national offices," she added.

Two and possibly three blacks may join the congressional Black Caucus, whose 24 members are all Democrats, analysts said.

Hispanics could gain an additional seat in the House, analysts said.

Except in Hawaii, Asian Americans are shunning national office, setting their sights on lower-level local offices, particularly in California.

Of crucial importance to both blacks and women will be the Senate race in North Carolina between arch-conservative Jesse Helms, the Republican incumbent and liberal Democratic candidate Harvey Gantt, the black former mayor of

Charlotte.

"If Gantt wins, it will be considered a big plus in terms of the fortunes of black candidates in American politics," said David Bositis, a research director at the Joint Center for Political Studies, a black political think tank here.

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#90305d9370 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 1) - Some 30 people were killed in renewed violence linked to a raging temple-mosque controversy Thursday, taking the death toll in the last three days to nearly 100.

Fourteen people died in incidents in Uttar Pradesh, the state in which a controversial holy site claimed by both Hindus and Moslems is located at the town of Ayodhya, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

In Gujarat state, seven people died, and killings were also reported in three other states.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, 62 were reported killed.

A massive deployment of security forces on Tuesday prevented Hindus from carrying out a plan to build a temple at Ayodhya at the site of an existing 16th century mosque.

The Hindus say the site is the birthplace of their Lord Rama, but the Moslems reject the claim.

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#90305d9460 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 1) - A coalition of enviromental and consumer groups is using a war of words to convince Americans that U.S. troops are in the Gulf to battle for cheap oil, not to fight for Kuwaiti independence.

The Coalition for Fuel Efficient Transportation wants to send the message that the United States, and specifically Detroit's automakers, could avert a war by focusing on energy conservation to reduce U.S. reliance on Mideast oil.

The group is sponsoring advertisements in major newspapers, including a 25,000-dollar half-page ad to appear Friday in The New York Times, and is asking radio and television stations to run its commercials.

"This is Detroit's war, not the public's war," said Jeremy Rifkin, president of the Center for Sustainable Transportation, a coalition member. "If we begin conserving energy at home, we won't have to risk American lives in the Middle

East."

He said Wednesday the coalition wanted to refocus attention on automobile fuel efficiency and urge higher taxes on gas-guzzling automobiles.

But automotive officials disagreed.

"Casting this business in the Middle East as a failure of U.S. energy policy is a rather mean-spirited interpretation of (U.S. President George Bush's) actions," said Tom Hanna, president of the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association.

He said U.S. oil imports have risen over the past 15 years, while fuel efficiency has improved 100 per cent.

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#90305d9470 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (NOV. 1) - Iran and Bahrain agreed Thursday to exchange ambassadors, Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati said at the end of a two-day visit by his Bahraini counterpart Sheikh Mohammad bin Mubarak al-Khalifa.

"Initial talks for the exchange of ambassadors took place between officials from both countries and an Iranian delegation will soon visit Manama to pursue these talks," Mr. Velayati said in a statement broadcast on Teheran Radio.

He said the upgrading of diplomatic links would be achieved within a month.

Later in Manama, the Bahraini foreign minister said his talks with Iranian officials had focused on Iraq's three-month-old occupation of Kuwait and its "dangerous" consequences, the Gulf News Agency GNA reported.

He said Iran and Bahrain shared the same views on the Gulf crisis and reaffirmed his country's commitment to U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

He also announced that Iran and Bahrain had set up maritime links to bolster their trade.

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#90305d9820 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (NOV. 1) - Akis Tsohatzopoulos was Thursday elected secretary general of the Greek Socialist Party, Pasok, the main opposition party.

Mr. Tsohatzopoulos, 51, who held several ministerial posts between 1981 and 1989, is a close associate of former prime minister Andreas Papandreou.

The post of secretary general was created at Pasok's second congress on

September 21-23 where Mr. Papandreou was re-elected as president of the party he founded in 1974.

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#90305d9830 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 1) - A senior leader of the ruling Janata Dal (people's party) said Thursday that Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh may be replaced in the political crisis facing his 11-month-old government.

The leader, Devi Lal, said that a meeting of Janata Dal parliamentarians on Monday may decide on "a new leader" to head the government, which lost its working majority after a key ally withdrew support on October 24.

President Ramaswamy Venkataraman has directed Mr. V.P. Singh to take a vote of confidence in parliament on Wednesday after the withdrawal of support by the Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP or Indian people's party).

Mr. Lal told reporters that if necessary the government would seek the support of former prime minister Rajiv Gandhi's opposition Congress (I) party.

Asked about the propriety of seeking Congress (I) support after accusing it of involvement in kickback scandals in a deal with the Swedish arms maker Bofors, Mr. Lal said Bofors was "never an issue."

Congress (I) has repeatedly declared that it would support the alliance government if it is headed by any other leader from the grouping than Mr. V.P. Singh. The majority of ruling National Alliance MP's have pledged to support Mr. V.P. Singh.

The comments of Mr. Lal, virtually backing a demand of dissidents in Janata Dal who seek Mr. V.P. Singh's replacement, came amid hectic consultations among party leaders and their allies to avert a collapse of the government.

The Janata Dal is the largest partner in the ruling alliance, which groups five parties.

Mr. Lal, who Mr. V.P. Singh fired as deputy prime minister due to differences in August, did not specify who a substitute could be, though the dissidents have adocated Chandra Shekhar, a critic of Mr. V.P. Singh.

Mr. Lal and Mr. Shekhar are close friends, and there has also been speculation that the former deputy premier was an aspirant for the nation's highest office.

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#90305d9840 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 1) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Thursday ordered the

release of four U.S. citizens held hostage along with thousands of other foreigners in Baghdad, it was announced here Thursday night.

The Iraqi News Agency (Ina) said Saddam ordered the release of the four U.S. hostages in response to a plea from a delegation of the Arab-American Reconciliation Association currently visiting Baghdad.

The four were described as ''elderly and sick.'' Earlir, Americans were released in groups at the intervention of the Arab-American group and at the behest of civil rights leader Jesse Jackson.

Some 3,500 Americans were in Iraq and Kuwait before the Gulf crisis, Ina said. Among them, 600 were said to remain in hiding or are being held in Kuwait, and around 330 are in Iraq, including 104 men held in strategic sites to prevent possible attacks by the U.S.-led multinational forces in the Gulf, Ina said.

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#90305d9890 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 1) - The ashes of 53 people in Tianjin were scattered at sea instead of taking up valuable land with burial, the official China Daily said Thursday.

The mass burial at sea was part of an official effort to encourage cremation to conserve arable land, a campaign that has met stiff resistance in the countryside where internment is traditional.

The ashes of the 53 people -- most of them former officials, teachers and workers -- were scattered over the Bohai Sea by their families from aboard a passenger ship anchored in the harbor of the northeastern Chinese port.

Their families were the first to register for sea burial in Tianjin, the newspaper said.

According to the latest census figures, some 19,000 Chinese people die each day out of the country's population of 1.13 billion.

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#90305d9900 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 1) - The wives of 10 British hostages plan to go to Iraq next week to try to get their husbands out, despite being "petrified" and in spite of Foreign Office opposition to visits to hostages during Christmas holidays.

One wife acting as spokeswoman for the 10, Dorothy Goodwin, 55, said on Thursday that "I am petrified of going back. We know exactly what we are going back to. We have been through it once.

"We know our husbands are suffering, and we just want to go back and rescue them. We now face fear of the unknown . . . I am terrified of going because I know what the atmosphere was like. It was tense and very stressful".

Her husband is a pilot for Kuwaiti Airlines.

Earlier in the day, the Foreign office discouraged relatives of hostages held in Iraq from visiting them during the Christmas holidays, as Iraq has offered to let them do.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that "We have a great deal of sympathy with the predicament of wives and families" of persons held hostage in Iraq. "But it should be noted that Iraqi undertakings cannot be trusted. Travel to Iraq in any circumstances would be risky".

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#90305d9980 11/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) - Romania was accepted Thursday as a Permanent Observer in the Organization of American States (OAS), joining Hungary and 26 other states represented as observers in the regional body.

The Soviet Union also has expressed -- through high-ranking officials in Washington -- its desire to have a representative accredited to the OAS.

Acceptance of the Romanian application was adopted by consensus of the 32-member Permanent Council of the OAS, which received a favorable recommendation from the Commission on Legal and Political Affairs.

At present the OAS has 32 active member countries -- in addition to Cuba, suspended since 1964.

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#90305e0017 11/01/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NUUK (NOV. 1) EFE - The government of Greenland is to invest in a dlrs 1.8 million program aimed at convincing the world that Father Christmas is alive and well and living in Greenland, Radio Greenland reported Thursday.

The scheme, which will be run by an independent organization and part funded by the government, is designed to boost industry and income for Greenland's 54,000 inhabitants by promoting its most famous resident, Prime Minister Jonathan Motzfeldt said.

The plan includes transforming Nuuk's old shipyards into Santa's workshop selling toys and games. Reindeers and sleighs will wait outside to take tourists hoping to catch a glimpse of Father Christmas for rides around the capital.

In five years, the Santa industry could produce up to dlrs 16 million, the radio quoted Motzfeldt as saying.

Most of Greenland, the world's largest island, is permanently covered in ice and the main occupation for islanders is currently seal-hunting.

Helsinki's plans may not be welcomed by Finland which claims that Santa Claus has always made his home in the northern Finnish region of Lapland.

The Finnish tourism office in Helsinki spends an annual dlrs 400,000 answering the 500,000 letters children send to Santa every year listing their Christmas gift requirements.

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#90305e0025 11/01/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BEIRUT (NOV. 1) EFE - Lebanese Prime Minister Salim Al Hoss said Thursday that France should not be pressured to release renegade Christian Gen. Michel Aoun, who has been holed up in the French embassy since his defeat by Syrian and pro-government troops last month.

"Lebanese-French relations are too strong for a problem like this to disturb them. The issue should be treated without pressure," said Hoss in an interview with EFE.

Aoun is being sought to stand trial for the embezzlement of government funds, but French President Francois Mitterrand has called Aoun's asylum a question of national honor.

The defeat of Aoun, who for 11 months battled the rival Christian government from his east Beirut stronghold, gives the country its best hope yet for peace after 15 years of civil war.

"I don't think there will be big obstacles to the return to normality, except for the Israeli occupation of southern Lebanon," said Hoss.

"Of course we have many problems related to the peace process. But now that the war has ended we have reconstruction ahead of us, including the reestablishment of public services, electricity and water supplies and the reactivation of government institutions," he added.

"The government has to have more adherence to the process of reconciliation started after the signing of the Taif peace accord, and think of ways to overcome the consquences of war on the people, especially the young generation which has been severly damaged by the crisis," the prime minister said.

The Taif agreement, negotiated last year under the auspices of Saudi Arabia

and the Arab League, calls for political power to be shared by the formerly dominant Christians with Lebanon's Moslem majority.

It also allows some 40,000 Syrian forces to remain in Lebanon. Aoun had fought to expel the Syrian troops.

Relations with Syria are "positive and friendly" Hoss said.

"Syria is a great country, the most important and closest of our Arab brothers. We have common interests that unite our two countries and a total understanding of the future," he added.

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#90305e0026 11/01/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (NOV 1) EFE - A Spanish electronics engineer has invented a plastic tree which imitates certain key functions of real trees, and which he believes could turn the world's deserts green.

Antonio Ibanez Alba explained that the tree has roots, branches, leaves, and a trunk, and is made of polyurethane.

The tree takes the form of a palm, which, with its wide, umbrella-like folliage is best for retaining moisture and creating condensation.

Through the evaporation of water it has retained on the surface of its "leaves", the tree brings down the temperature around it, thus causing climatic changes.

"If rain is caused by the meeting of cold and warm air currents, then one only has to create in the desert a source of cold air currents and one has rain, that is the idea of my tree," the 34-year-old scientist explained.

Once a change in climate has been brought about, he continued, real trees can be planted.

Ibanez, who first presented his plastic tree to the scientific community at a National Aeronautical and Space Administration (NASA) conference, declined to put a time limit on the process of changing the climate, but said tests results had showed a change within weeks.

He has already spoken to Libya, Morocco, Algeria, and Mauritania, and says the response has been positive, although progress has been halted due to the Gulf crisis.

Ibanez said he has also been approached by the Australian government which is interested in replanting the Victoria desert.

Although the Italian multinational company Montedison has expressed interest in manufacturing the tree, Ibanez says he is not prepared to sell the patent, nor to give sole manufacturing rights.

Regarding the cost, the scientist charges that only large-scale manufacture would be profitable, with a single tree costing between dlrs 280 and dlrs 750.

Ibanez, who works for a small private research center in the northeastern Spanish city of Barcelona without state funding, says he hopes his invention will be a boon for mankind.

"However, the fact of having to invent a plastic tree means we are going wrong somewhere," he added.

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#90305e0046 11/01/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUDAPEST (NOV. 1) EFE - The Hungarian government is to implement an economic shock program which would drive inflation up to 35 percent, a top economic adviser was quoted as saying Thursday.

The program would cut government subsidies and free salaries, fuel, transportation and communication prices and prices on up to 90 percent of imports, Gyorgy Matolcsy, Prime Minister Jozsef Antall's chief economist, told the leading daily Nepszabadsag.

Economists believe more than 30 percent of Hungarian companies will be forced into bankruptcy when the program to move from central planning to a free market economy takes effect, leaving an estimated 200,000 people without work.

Matolcsy said corporate taxes would be reduced along with obligatory contributions to health care insurance plans.

He said all state concerns would be changed into joint stock ventures in which the state owns 60 percent of shares while the remaining shares will be split among workers, regional governments and a special indemnization fund.

He added that inflation would probably go up to around 35 percent from its current level of 27 percent.

The announcement came four days after the government agreed to reduce the price of petrol after thousands of truck and taxi drivers paralyzed traffic across the country to protest price hikes.

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#90305e0051 11/01/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LIMA (NOV. 1) - A mudslide in central Peru has killed at least 50 people,

including several children, according to Civil Defense officials quoted Thursday in a government newspaper.

The daily La Cronica said the Tuesday night mudslide wiped out 20 houses, 300 hectares of farmland and 600 cattle in the town of Otorongo in the department of Junin, some 200 km southeast of Lima in Peru's central Andes.

It also destroyed a railway line between the towns of Huancayo and Huancavelica.

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#90305f1799 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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#90305h0017 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CANBERRA (NOV. 1) XINHUA - TWO ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE (RAAF) JETS ARE TO MAKE A GOODWILL VISIT TO THAILAND EARLY NEXT WEEK, ACCORDING TO AN ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE AUSTRALIAN DEFENSE DEPARTMENT TODAY.

THE TWO F/A -18 HORNETS, THE FIRST FROM AUSTRALIA TO VISIT THAILAND, WILL FLY TO BANGKOK ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, FOR A THREE-DAY STAY, THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID.

ALTHOUGH NOT PARTICIPATING IN ANY EXERCISES DURING THIS TRIP, THE RAAF CONTINGENT WILL DISCUSS POSSIBLE FUTURE COMBINED ACTIVITIES BETWEEN THE RAAF AND THE ROYAL THAI AIR FORCE, IT ADDED.

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#90305h0021 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KATHMANDU (NOV. 1) XINHUA - SONY RANA HAS BEEN SELECTED AS THE FIRST WOMEN PILOT IN ROYAL NEPAL AIRLINES CORPORATION (RNAC) SERVICE, LOCAL LEADING ENGLISH PAPER "THE RISING NEPAL" REPORTED TODAY.

SONY RANA, 24, COMPLETED A SIX-MONTH COURSE FOR MULTI ENGINE INSTRUMENT RATED COMMERCIAL PILOTS AND ADVANCED GROUND INSTRUCTOR IN 1988 FROM THE AVIATION GROUND SCHOOL IN FORT WORTH, TEXAS, THE UNITED STATES.

SHE WILL START HER PROFESSIONAL FLYING FROM APRIL 1991 AFTER BEING TRAINED IN THE NEPALESE AVIATION DEPARTMENT AND IN PRACTICAL FLIGHTS.

THE STATE-OWNED RNAC NOW SERVES 13 CITIES OF 12 COUNTRIES IN ASIA AND EUROPE WITH DIRECT FLIGHTS EXCEPT FOR CHARTERED FLIGHTS TO JAPAN.

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#90305h0043 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHENZHEN (NOV. 1) XINHUA - CHINA BICYCLES HOLDING CO, LTD. IN SOUTH CHINA'S SHENZHEN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE IS NOW BUSY CONSTRUCTING A 120,000 SQUARE METER BRANCH FACTORY.

AFTER IT WAS SET UP AND PUT INTO OPERATION IN 1985, THE COMPANY, WHICH WAS JOINTLY ESTABLISHED BY FIRMS FROM SHENZHEN, HONG KONG AND THE UNITED STATES, WAS EXPECTED TO INCREASE ITS ANNUAL PRODUCTION OF BICYCLES FROM ONE MILLION TO TWO MILLION.

IN THE PAST YEARS, THE COMPANY'S PROFITS HAVE INCREASED ANNUALLY BY AN AVERAGE OF 310 PERCENT.

LAST YEAR, THE COMPANY SOLD 800,000 BICYCLES TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES, EARNING 64 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS. THE LARGE VOLUME OF FOREIGN SALES MADE THE COMPANY CHINA'S LARGEST BICYCLE EXPORT FACTORY.

THIS YEAR, THE COMPANY IS EXPECTED TO EARN 100 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS THROUGH EXPORTS, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL FROM THE COMPANY.

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#90305h0087 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ULAN BATOR (NOV. 1) XINHUA - MONGOLIA AND NAMIBIA HAVE ESTABLISHED THEIR DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AT AN AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL STARTING FROM OCTOBER 30.

ACCORDING TO THE MONGOLIAN NEWSPAPER UNIAN TODAY, THE TWO COUNTRIES WILL EXCHANGE THEIR RESPECTIVE AMBASSADORS IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

NAMIBIA IS THE 108TH STATE THAT HAS ESTABLISHED OFFICIAL RELATIONS WITH MONGOLIA.

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#90305h0091 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 1) XINHUA - THE U.S. CONGRESS CONFERENCE COMMITTEE APPROVED 200 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS AS THE U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO THE MULTILATERAL AID INITIATIVE (MAI) OR THE PHILIPPINE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (PAP) FOR FISCAL YEAR 1991, OFFICIAL SOURCES SAID HERE TODAY.

THE PROPOSED 10-BILLION-U.S.-DOLLAR MAI, WHICH WAS SPONSORED BY THE UNITED STATES, JAPAN AND SOME WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES IN TOKYO LAST YEAR, IS REPORTEDLY AIMED AT HELPING THE PHILIPPINES REBUILD ITS BADLY SHAPED ECONOMY.

THE U.S. CONTRIBUTION, APPROVED LAST FRIDAY, CONSISTS OF A 160 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR EARMARK, PLUS THE AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER AN ADDITIONAL 40 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS TO THE MAI FROM OTHER ACCOUNTS.

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#90305h0103 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 1) XINHUA - FINNISH AMBASSADOR TO CHINA A. MANSALA GAVE A BANQUET HERE THIS EVENING TO CELEBRATE THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN FINLAND AND CHINA.

CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER QIAN QICHEN WAS AMONG THOSE PRESENT ON THE OCCASION.

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#90305h0110 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHENZHEN (NOV. 1) XINHUA - CHINA EXPORTED OVER 1.82 MILLION LIVE PIGS TO HONG KONG IN THE FIRST TEN MONTHS THIS YEAR, EARNING AN ADDITIONAL 57.65 MILLION HONG KONG DOLLARS (7.39 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

DURING THE PERIOD, EAST CHINA'S JIANGXI PROVINCE EXPORTED 150,000 LIVE PIGS, OF WHICH 99.03 PERCENT MET QUALITY STANDARDS. CENTRAL CHINA'S HUNAN PROVINCE EXPORTED 410,000 LIVE PIGS, 98.65 PERCENT OF WHICH WERE UP TO STANDARDS.

THE ATTAINMENT OF SUCH LARGE PERCENTAGES OF ANIMALS REACHING QUALITY STANDARDS WAS DUE TO THE GREAT EFFORTS MADE BY THE SHENZHEN HARBOR ANIMAL AND PLANT QUARANTINE STATION AND CONCERNED FOREIGN TRADE UNITS.

SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THIS YEAR, THE SHENZHEN QUARANTINE STATION HAS INSTITUTED A SERIES OF MEASURES TO DIRECT QUARANTINE WORK ON PIGS EXPORTED THROUGH SHENZHEN HARBOR. MEANWHILE, THE STATION ALSO SENT SENIOR VETERINARIANS TO DIRECT EPIDEMIC PREVENTION AT PRODUCTION BASES.

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#90305h0114 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CHANGSHA (NOV. 1) XINHUA - CHINA EXPECTS A BUMPER HARVEST OF HYBRID RICE THIS YEAR IN SOUTH CHINA.

THE 15,928,000 HECTARES OF HYBRID RICE -- THE LARGEST AREA OF ITS KIND IN HISTORY -- ACCOUNT FOR 48 PERCENT OF CHINA'S TOTAL RICE PRODUCING AREA, AND WILL PRODUCE MORE THAN HALF OF THE COUNTRY'S RICE OUTPUT.

ACCORDING TO EXPERTS, EACH HECTARE OF HYBRID RICE PRODUCES 900 KILOGRAMS MORE

THAN THE CONVENTIONAL STRAIN OF RICE.

EXPERTS ALSO REPORT THAT THEY ARE ATTEMPTING TO RENEW COMBINATIONS OF HYBRID RICE AND EXPAND PLANTING AREA TO INCREASE OUTPUT.

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#90305h0126 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HAIKOU (NOV. 1) XINHUA - A SINO-U.S. JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING A CASTOR-OIL PLANT IN SANYA CITY, HAINAN PROVINCE, WAS SIGNED HERE ON WEDNESDAY.

THE PLANT WILL HAVE THE CAPACITY TO PROCESS 30,000 TONS OF CASTOR-BEANS TO PRODUCE 15,000 TONS OF CASTOR-OIL.

CAO GUOJUN, GENERAL MANAGER OF JINBEILEI OIL CHEMICAL UNITED CO. LTD. OF HAINAN PROVINCE, AND S. N. EISENBERG, UNITED DEVELOPMENT INCORPORATED LTD. (UDI LTD.) OF THE UNITED STATES, SIGNED THE AGREEMENT.

THE AGREEMENT PROVIDES THAT THE U.S. PARTNER WILL PROVIDE THREE MILLION U.S. DOLLARS WORTH OF EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES TO PRODUCE CASTOR-OIL. THE U.S. PARTNER WILL HAVE EXCLUSIVE SALES RIGHTS FOR THREE YEARS, DURING WHICH TIME THE PROFITS WILL BE USED TO PAY OFF ITS INVESTMENT.

THE PLANT WILL REQUIRE EIGHT MONTHS FOR CONSTRUCTION. HAINAN PROVINCE WAS CHOSEN AS THE LOCATION FOR THE PLANT BECAUSE OF ITS SUITABLE CONDITIONS FOR GROWING CASTOR-BEANS.

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#90305h0135 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 1) XINHUA - THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT IS INVITING BUSINESSMEN TO INVEST IN SOYBEAN CULTIVATION IN AN EFFORT TO HELP REDUCE THE COUNTRY'S HEAVY DEPENDENCE ON IMPORTS, ACCORDING TO JAKARTA POST TODAY.

INDONESIA'S SOYBEAN PRODUCTION THIS YEAR IS PROJECTED TO REACH ABOUT 1.4 MILLION TONS, UP FROM 1.3 MILLION TONS LAST YEAR.

THE CONSUMPTION THIS YEAR WAS ESTIMATED AT 1.9 MILLION TONS AS COMPARED TO 1.77 MILLION TONS IN 1989.

INDONESIA WILL CONTINUE DEPENDING HEAVILY ON SOYBEAN IMPORTS, WHICH REACHED AN AVERAGE OF ABOUT 500,000 TONS ANNUALLY TO MEET EXPANDING CONSUMPTION.

DUE TO THE SHARPLY INCREASING DEMAND, THE COUNTRY'S SOYBEAN IMPORTS WERE PROJECTED TO JUMP TO OVER 970,000 TONS IN 1993.

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#90305h0136 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 1) XINHUA - STATE COUNCILLOR LI GUIXIAN TODAY ANNOUNCED THE STATE COUNCIL'S GOAL FOR GOLD PRODUCTION DURING THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

LI SAID THAT CHINA IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE ITS GOLD PRODUCTION OUTPUT BY 50 TO 70 PERCENT DURING THE PERIOD OF THE STATE'S EIGHTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN (1991-1995).

HE DISCLOSED THAT THE COUNTRY'S GOLD PRODUCTION OUTPUT GREW BY 60 PERCENT DURING THE STATE'S SEVENTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN PERIOD (1986-1990).

LI REAFFIRMED THAT THE GOVERNMENT WILL CONTINUE TO ADOPT PREFERENTIAL POLICIES TOWARDS THE PRODUCTION OF GOLD IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, AND THAT SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO RESEARCH WORK IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF GOLD PRODUCTION.

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#90305h0152 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

OTTAWA (NOV. 1) XINHUA - THE FOUR-YEAR URUGUAY ROUND OF GATT TRADE TALKS IS ON THE BRINK OF COLLAPSE BECAUSE THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY FAILS TO AGREE ON A FARM SUBSIDY CUT OFFER, CANADIAN TRADE MINISTER JOHN CROSBIE WARNED.

HE CALLED THE EC BEHAVIOR "REPREHENSIBLE." "THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SCUTTLING OF THE WHOLE URUGUAY ROUND IF THEY DON'T ACT AND GET AN AGRICULTURE OFFER ON THE TABLE SO THAT THIS PROCESS CAN CONTINUE," CROSBIE TOLD REPORTERS WEDNESDAY.

DESPITE THE MOVES BY CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES TO LOWER THEIR FARM EXPORT SUBSIDIES, CROSBIE SAID, THE ENTIRE URUGUAY ROUND AND FOUR YEARS OF WORK COULD BE DERAILED BY THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY.

THE URUGUAY ROUND IS SET TO END THIS DECEMBER IN BRUSSELS WHERE TRADE MINISTERS FROM 105 GATT MEMBERS WILL TRY TO THRASH OUT THE TOUGH ISSUES THEIR NEGOTIATORS HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO SOLVE. AN AGREEMENT ON AGRICULTURE IS CONSIDERED PIVOTAL TO THE ENTIRE URUGUAY ROUND.

NEGOTIATIONS ON REDUCING AGRICULTURAL SUBSIDIES HAVE BEEN DIFFICULT FROM THE START, AND ARE THREATENING TO DISSOLVE COMPLETELY BECAUSE THE EC FAILED TO MEET AN OCTOBER 15 DEADLINE TO TABLE A NEGOTIATING OFFER. EC MEMBERS DISAGREE AMONG THEMSELVES ON THE EXTENT OF FARM SUBSIDY CUTS.

CANADA IS SO UPSET AT THE EC INACTION BECAUSE AGRICULTURE IS PARTICULARLY SIGNIFICANT TO ITS ECONOMY. ITS GRAIN FARMERS HAVE BEEN SAVAGED BY A TRANSATLANTIC SUBSIDY WAR BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY.

THE UNITED STATES AND THE CAIRNS GROUP OF AGRICULTURAL EXPORTING COUNTRIES HAVE MADE IT CLEAR THAT UNLESS THERE IS A SUBSTANTIAL PACKAGE ON AGRICULTURE, THERE WILL BE NO AGREEMENTS ON TRADE IN OTHER AREAS.

THE 14-MEMBER CAIRNS GROUP INCLUDES CANADA, AUSTRALIA, BRAZIL, ARGENTINA AND OTHER AGRICULTURAL EXPORTERS.

LAST YEAR, AGRICULTURAL SUBSIDIES WORLDWIDE TOTALLED 245 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS, NEARLY ALL OF IT SPENT BY THE UNITED STATES AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY. CANADA HAS OFFERED TO CUT ITS DOMESTIC FARM SUPPORT PROGRAMS BY 50 PERCENT AND VIRTUALLY ELIMINATE ALL THE EXPORT SUBSIDIES.

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#90305h0154 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BOGOTA (NOV. 1) XINHUA - COLOMBIA HAS SOLD 2,000 TONS OF WHITE RICE TO NICARAGUA, LOCAL PRESS REPORTS SAID TODAY, CITING FIGURES FROM COLOMBIA'S INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURAL MARKETING (IDEMA).

IDEMA GENERAL MANAGER DARIO BUSTAMANTE ROLDAN SAID THAT OF THE TOTAL SALES, ONE THOUSAND TONS HAVE ALREADY BEEN SHIPPED TO THE CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRY, WHILE THE REMAINING TON IS EXPECTED TO LEAVE NEXT WEEK.

THE PRICE OF THE FIRST SHIPMENT, ACCORDING TO BUSTAMANTE, WAS 310 DOLLARS PER TON, BUT THE PRICE OF THE NEXT SHIPMENT WILL BE 280 DOLLARS PER TON IN KEEPING WITH THE FALL IN THE PRICE OF THE CEREAL ON THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET.

IN SEPTEMBER, IDEMA SALES MADE THROUGH THE NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL GOODS STOCKMARKET INCREASED BY 7,000 TONS IN COMPARISON WITH THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, HE ADDED.

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#90305h0156 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

OTTAWA (NOV. 1) XINHUA - CANADA'S INFLATION RATE COULD JUMP 2.5 PERCENT IF THE OIL PRICE HIKING TRIGGERED BY IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT IS MAINTAINED, A STUDY BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT INDICATES.

BUT THE STUDY PLAYS DOWN THE EFFECT ON THE ECONOMY, SAYING THE COUNTRY'S OVERALL ECONOMIC GROWTH WILL NOT BE SUBSTANTIALLY AFFECTED BY THE OIL PRICE SHOCK.

THE STUDY PREDICTS INFLATION FOR 1991 COULD HIT 7.6 PERCENT. CANADA'S INFLATION RATE NOW IS RUNNING AT 4.2 PERCENT ON A YEAR-OVER-YEAR BASIS.

CANADA'S INFLATION RATE IS RELATIVELY LOW AMONG MAJOR INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES BECAUSE THE GOVERNMENT DELIBERATELY MAINTAINS A HIGH INTEREST RATE MONETARY POLICY TO DAMPEN SPENDING DEMAND. HOWEVER THIS POLICY ALSO HELPED SLOW ECONOMIC GROWTH WHICH HAS PUT THE COUNTRY IN A RECESSION.

CANADA IS PRACTICALLY SELF-SUFFICIENT IN OIL SUPPLY. BUT IT STILL HAS TO IMPORT SOME LIGHT CRUDE OIL FOR THE MARITIME PROVINCES IN THE EAST BECAUSE THE

OIL PIPELINES FROM THE PRODUCING REGIONS IN THE WEST CANNOT REACH THERE.

RETAIL GASOLINE PRICES IN CANADA HAVE SOARED BY NEARLY 15 PERCENT SINCE IRAQ'S AUGUST 2 INVASION OF KUWAIT.

-30- 1315

#90305h0158 11/01/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) XINHUA - THE WORLD BANK ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT IT WILL PROVIDE CHINA WITH A FUND OF 275 MILLION DOLLARS TO SUPPORT ITS RURAL PROGRAM.

THE FUNDING INCLUDES A LOAN OF 75 MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE WORLD BANK AND A CREDIT OF SDR 143.7 (200 MILLION DOLLARS) FROM THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (IDA), THE WORLD BANK AFFILIATE THAT LENDS ON CONCESSIONAL TERMS TO THE POOREST COUNTRIES.

THIS IS THE SECOND FUNDING THAT THE WORLD BANK HAS PROVIDED FOR CHINA IN ITS FISCAL 1991, STARTING FROM JULY 1, 1990.

CHINA'S RURAL PROGRAM IS EXPECTED TO REDUCE THE INCIDENCE OF POVERTY IN RURAL AREAS AND ENABLE WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS TO PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE RURAL ECONOMY. IT INCLUDES MEASURES AIMED AT PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT.

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#90305j0001 11/01/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

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Nightline (ABC) October 31, 1990 (Transcript #2463)

War Clouds -- Real Threats or Smoke and Mirrors?: A new surge of war noises is coming from the Bush administration -- what does it mean? Is the message for Saddam Hussein, our allies, Gorbachev, or to just to anger us and destroy George Bush's approval rating?

South Africa Now (PBS) October 31, 1990 (Transcript #34)

Police brutality against black activists continues; discussions of a new constitution for South Africa; South Africans gaining power at the local level; U.S. covertly funding UNITA; the growing AIDS epidemic in South Africa; poet Mzwakhe Mbuli.

Larry King Live (CNN) October 31, 1990 (Transcript #161)

''Satanic Cults'' (an alleged victim, a detective, a priest and a journalist debate the existence of ''satanic'' cults); ''Marilu Henner'' (discusses her new TV sitcom, Evening Shade).

Crossfire (CNN) October 31, 1990 (Transcript #173)

In the Beginning: Eugenie Scott of the National Center for Scientific Education and scientist and author Forrest Mims discuss the loss of Mr. Mims' job as a columnist for Scientific American because of his creationist views.

Donahue October 31, 1990 (Transcript #3067)

Mayor Marion Barry Sentenced to Six Months in Jail: Washington Mayor Marion Barry, sentenced to six months in jail after being caught in a cocaine sting, argues that only a double standard sentences him to prison and Michael Deaver to community service.

Geraldo October 31, 1990 (Transcript #815)

Celebrity Addicts Come Clean: Eddie Fisher, Tai Babilonia, Randy Gardner and Christina Crawford discuss their addictions to drugs and alcohol. The lives of Elizabeth Taylor, Carrie Fisher, Elvis and Joan Crawford and their addictions are also discussed.

Sally Jessy Raphael October 31, 1990 (Transcript #563)

I Found My Mother: Barbara Miller meets her daughter Mary Berninger, whom she hasn't seen since birth, thanks to an appearance Mary made on Sally Jessy Raphael in September.

See Also: Sally Jessy Raphael #527, ''Missing Parents.''

Oprah Winfrey Show October 31, 1990 (Transcript #1078)

Fathers and the Sons They Never Knew: Fathers are reunited with the sons they've never known. John Tosini, author of She Called Me Dad -- Hope for Relationships in a Wounded World, appears with his daughter with whom he was recently reunited.

Thursday's Line-Up:

(To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report)

Donahue: Throw the Congressman/Woman Out
Sally Jessy Raphael: Miss Gay America
Geraldo: Blood on the Tracks: Crime Takes Its Toll
Oprah Winfrey: The New Kids' Moms

ABC Special: The New Civil War (abortion debate)

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#90305k0028 11/01/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 1) KYODO - JAPAN'S FOUR BREWERIES, HELPED BY BRISK SALES OF NEW PRODUCTS, SHIPPED A RECORD 14 PERCENT MORE BEER IN OCTOBER THAN A YEAR EARLIER ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY FIGURES RELEASED THURSDAY.

THE DATA SHOW SHIPMENTS TOTALING 38.91 MILLION CASES, A RECORD FOR OCTOBER. EACH CASE CONTAINS 20 633-MILLILITER BOTTLES.

THE BIGGEST INCREASE WAS RECORDED BY SUNTORY LTD., WITH A 30 PERCENT RISE, PARTLY DUE TO DEMAND FOR ITS PRODUCT INTRODUCED IN LATE OCTOBER, "BEER NOUVEAU."

INDUSTRY LEADER KIRIN BREWERY CO. ALSO RECORDED ROBUST GROWTH IN SHIPMENTS, WITH AN 18 PERCENT INCREASE. KIRIN EXPERIENCED BRISK DEMAND FOR "ICHIBANSHIBORI," ITS LATEST POPULAR BRAND WITH A SMOOTH AND MILD TASTE.

SAPPORO BREWERIES LTD. AND ASAHI BREWERIES LTD. REGISTERED GAINS OF 8 PERCENT AND 7 PERCENT, RESPECTIVELY.

THE OCTOBER STATISTICS BROUGHT CUMULATIVE SHIPMENTS IN THE JANUARY-OCTOBER PERIOD TO 428 MILLION CASES, A 9 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

AS A RESULT, KIRIN RETAINS THE LARGEST SHARE OF 49.1 PERCENT, FOLLOWED BY ASAHI WITH 24.9 PERCENT, SAPPORO WITH 18 PERCENT AND SUNTORY WITH 8 PERCENT, THE INDUSTRY DATA SHOW.

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#90305k0030 11/01/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 1) KYODO - DAI-ICHI KANGYO BANK STARTED A NEW CASH SERVICE THURSDAY IN COOPERATION WITH AMERICAN EXPRESS CO. FOR THE CREDIT FIRM'S

MEMBERS IN JAPAN, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE NEW SERVICE ENABLES AMEX CARD HOLDERS TO USE THE MORE THAN 2,000 DAI-ICHI KANGYO CASH DISPENSING MACHINES NATIONWIDE WITHOUT HAVING TO OPEN AN ACCOUNT WITH THE BANK.

THE BANK ONLY REQUIRES SUCH CARD HOLDERS TO REGISTER THEIR CREDIT CARD IDENTIFICATION NUMBER WITH IT, DAI-ICHI KANGYO OFFICIALS SAID.

IT IS THE FIRST SUCH SERVICE BETWEEN A COMMERCIAL BANK AND CREDIT CARD FIRM IN JAPAN.

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TOKYO (NOV. 1) KYODO - FUJITA TOURIST ENTERPRISES CO. DECIDED THURSDAY TO PROMOTE VICE PRESIDENT MASAYOSHI MATSUZAWA TO ITS PRESIDENT AT ITS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD THE SAME DAY.

PRESIDENT YUHEI TANAKA AND CHAIRMAN TADAMASA OKUBO STEPPED DOWN FROM THEIR POSITIONS TO BECOME ADVISERS.

AS REASON FOR THE PERSONNEL SHUFFLE,THE COMPANY CITED THE POOR HEALTH OF THE FORMER PRESIDENT AND CHAIRMAN.

HOWEVER, THE TWO TOP EXECUTIVES APPARENTLY STEPPED DOWN TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR A FORMER EXECUTIVES DIRECTOR'S INVOLVEMENT IN THE STOCK-MANIPULATION SCANDAL BY THE SPECULATIVE GROUP KOSHIN, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

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TOKYO (NOV. 1) KYODO - JAPAN'S DOMESTIC SALES OF CARS, TRUCKS AND BUSES, EXCLUDING MINICARS, MOVED SLIGHTLY UP BY 0.9 PERCENT IN OCTOBER FROM A YEAR AGO TO 504,641 UNITS, INDUSTRY OFFICIALS SAID THURSDAY.

THE JAPAN AUTOMOBILE DEALERS ASSOCIATION OFFICIALS SAID THE FIGURE WAS THE HIGHEST FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER BUT THE GROWTH RATE IS APPARENTLY SLOWING DOWN FOLLOWING THE 0.3 PERCENT RISE IN SEPTEMBER.

AUTOMAKERS SAY SALES MAY BE FACING A TURNING POINT AFTER A PERIOD OF LONG AND STEADY GROWTH. BUT ALTHOUGH THE OCTOBER RISE WAS ONLY 0.9 PERCENT, IT WAS STILL THE 20TH SUCCESSIVE MONTH OF INCREASE ON A YEAR-ON-YEAR BASIS.

COMMENTING ON THE SLOW GROWTH OF SALES, AN OFFICIAL AT A MAJOR AUTOMAKER SAID HIGH INTEREST RATES, RISING PRICES OF OIL PRODUCTS TRIGGERED BY THE GULF CRISES, AND WEAK STOCK PRICES HAVE DISCOURAGED CONSUMERS. HE ADDED THAT SERIOUS SHORTAGES IN PARKING LOTS HAVE ALSO CONTRIBUTED TO EASING THE GROWTH.

SALES OF PASSENGER CARS DROPPED FOR THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE MONTH, DOWN 1.2 PERCENT TO 357,005 UNITS.

SALES OF LARGER MODELS MAINLY WITH AN ENGINE CAPACITY OF OVER 2001 CC ROSE BY 69.7 PERCENT TO 52,347 UNITS, WHILE THOSE OF SMALLER CARS SLIPPED BY 7.8 PERCENT TO 304,658 UNITS.

ANOTHER INDUSTRY SOURCE SAID THIS PHENOMENON IS OFTEN SEEN IN PERIODS OF SALES STAGNATION.

TRUCK SALES ROSE 6.5 PERCENT TO 145,784 UNITS, WHILE BUSES ALSO JUMPED 4.5 PERCENT TO 1,852 UNITS.

TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. BOOSTED ITS SALES BY 4.2 PERCENT, NISSAN MOTOR CO. BY 3.7 PERCENT, AND MITSUBISHI MOTORS CORP. BY 8.7 PERCENT.

HONDA MOTOR CO., HOWEVER, SUFFERED A 20.9 PERCENT SETBACK AND MAZDA MOTOR CORP. SALES FELL 7.5 PERCENT.

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OSAKA (NOV. 1) KYODO - FOOTWORK INTERNATIONAL, AN OSAKA-BASED PARCEL DELIVERY SERVICE COMPANY, SAID THURSDAY IT WILL BUY A MAJORITY STAKE IN A LUXURY HOTEL IN BERLIN FOR AN ESTIMATED 10 BILLION YEN.

FOOTWORK, WHICH IS LISTED ON THE NEW SECOND SECTION OF THE OSAKA STOCK EXCHANGE, HOPES TO PURCHASE THE REMAINDER OF STEIGENBERGER'S SHARES WITHIN TWO OR THREE YEARS.

THE 400-ROOM HOTEL IS CURRENTLY JOINTLY OWNED BY ABOUT 400 INVESTORS. THE BRITISH BROKERAGE HOUSE SCHRODERS JAPAN IS ACTING AS MEDIATOR IN THE NEGOTIATIONS.

THROUGH THE PURCHASE, FOOTWORK IS SEEKING TO SECURE A FOOTHOLD IN THE EUROPEAN MARKET.

SALES FOR THE FIRST BUSINESS YEAR ARE PROJECTED TO REACH 4.5 BILLION YEN.

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#90305k0080 11/01/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (NOV. 1) KYODO - DAICEL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES LTD. HAS SET UP A JOINT COMPANY IN BRITAIN WITH GERMANY'S HOECHST A.G. FOR PRODUCTION AND SALE OF FLAME-RESISTING ACRYLONITRILE BUTADIENE STYRENE (ABS) RESIN COMPOUND.

THE JOINT FIRM BASED IN HOUNSLOW, NEAR LONDON, IS CAPITALIZED AT ABOUT 540

MILLION YEN, OF WHICH 45 PERCENT HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY DAICEL AND 55 PERCENT BY HOECHST.

THE JOINT COMPANY, HOECHST DAICEL POLYMER, WILL COMPLETE A PLANT CAPABLE OF PRODUCING 4,000 TONS OF ABS RESIN COMPOUND A YEAR NEAR BIRMINGHAM IN MID-1991.

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MAEBASHI (NOV. 1) KYODO - POLICE HAVE ARRESTED TWO EXECUTIVES OF A TEMPORARY JOB PLACEMENT AGENCY FOR ALLEGEDLY ILLEGALLY DISPATCHING SEVEN THAI TRAINEES TO A FACTORY TO ENGAGE IN MANUAL WORK AND PROFITEERING SOME 400 MILLION YEN, POLICE SAID THURSDAY.

THOSE ARRESTED WERE MASAOMI NAKANISHI, 54, PRESIDENT OF THE TOKYO-BASED AGENCY AND HIS SON KENSHIN, 24.

POLICE HAVE ALSO ARRESTED THE SEVEN THAIS FOR ALLEGEDLY OVERSTAYING THEIR VISAS.

THE NAKANISHIS WERE SUSPECTED OF SENDING THE THAIS TO AN AUTO PARTS MANUFACTURING FACTORY IN KIRYU, GUNMA PREFECTURE, IN 1987.

POLICE SUSPECT THE NAKANISHIS MADE 400 MILLION YEN THROUGH THE AGENCY SINCE IT WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1983 BY SENDING THAI AND BANGLADESHI TRAINEES TO FACTORIES FOR MANUAL WORK.

THE PAIR WERE NOT AUTHORIZED TO OPERATE SUCH A BUSINESS, POLICE SAID. JAPAN ALLOWS THE ENTRY OF FOREIGN TRAINEES TO WORK BUT BANS THE ENTRY OF FOREIGNERS FOR MANUAL LABOR.

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#90305k0091 11/01/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 1) KYODO - BRIDGESTONE CORP., A MAJOR JAPANESE AUTO TIRE MAKER, SAID THURSDAY IT HAS COMPLETED A NEW RADIAL TIRE PLANT IN TURKEY IN COOPERATION WITH THE SABANCI GROUP, ONE OF THE LARGEST TURKISH CONGLOMERATES.

THE NEW PLANT IN IZMIT, ABOUT 110 KILOMETERS EAST OF ISTANBUL, IS AN ANNEX TO THE EXISTING FACTORY OF BRISA, AN EQUALLY OWNED JOINT VENTURE SET UP IN NOVEMBER 1988 BETWEEN BRIDGESTONE AND SABANCI.

THE COMBINED DAILY CAPACITY OF THE EXISTING AND ANNEX PLANTS IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE TO 15,000 TIRES FOR CARS, TRUCKS AND BUSES BY THE END OF 1991, BRIDGESTONE OFFICIALS SAID.

WHEN FULL PRODUCTION CAPACITY IS ACHIEVED IN MID-1995, THE PLANTS WILL BE TURNING OUT 18,200 TIRES PER DAY, THEY ADDED.

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#90305m0001 11/01/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 1) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stock markets are lower: ... The Nikkei nosedives 899 points on war worries. ... The FTSE is off 10 points in early afternoon trading. ... The dollar is stronger and the long bond is yielding 8.76%. ... Brent North Sea crude is up 60 cents to $34.90. ... The FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CO. reports a 9.8% increase in third- quarter earnings. ... EASTMAN KODAK says it lost $206 million in the third quarter because of a charge to cover its patient infringement payment to POLAROID. ... EXXON raises its third-quarter dividend 11.7%. ... CITICORP has to pay a dividend of 13% to sell $100 million in 49-day money market preferred stock. ... WERTHEIM SCHRODER will cease operations as a primary dealer in Government securities, effective immediately. ... REUTERS is cutting 300 jobs and delaying for at least six more months an upgrading of its currency-trading system.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT is scheduled to release September construction spending figures at 10 a.m. EST. ... The PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX for October is also set for release at 10 a.m. EST. and laying off as many as 900 salaried workers. ... McDONALD'S is reportedly phasing out its plastic hamburger box that has become a symbol of the garbage crisis.

FROM THE BULLS:

ROBERT STOVALL, president of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS, finds good news in the steady upturn in utility stocks. "Most major rallies begin with leadership from interest-sensitive stocks and utilities are the strong." Moreover, he says, "the scattering of utility stocks on the new-high list is a bullish sign and could soon lead the Dow over 2550." (NYT, 11/1)

ANTHONY LUDOVICI, senior investment analyst at TUCKER ANTHONY, says his firm is buying stock on the belief that share prices are within 10% of a bear market bottom. He says that despite the gloom about the economy's prospects, investors have built up enough cash to fuel a rally in stock prices back to their highs. (WSJ, 11/1)

"We have to watch out for the next three weeks when the question is will 2350 hold," says self-described bull HEIKO THIEME of the DEUTSCHE BANK. "If not, we will certainly go below the 2200-2300 level that most people see as the

bottom. But it will be a very, very brief spike, a "V" formation, and if you forget to buy then, you miss a good opportunity." Thieme says we are now going through the trough in corporate earnings and he expects 1991 to be "so-so" year for stocks. "Thereafter, we will resume a new bull market," says Thieme, "What am I doing now? With the cash I've got, I start buying high quality issues." (FNN "A.M. Outlook", 11/1)

FROM THE BEARS:

"We're in a nervous market in a negative environment," says ALAN ACKERMAN of GRUNTAL & CO. "The direction of the market, in my opinion, is down. I think we'll test the lows of 2344 again, but the Middle East is really the unwritten story. As the sands shift in the Middle East, so do the fortunes of the United States government and world governments everywhere. I think what we're looking at is a situation, very candidly, that is slowly but surely getting out of our control. ... The ultimate settlement of the Middle East, I believe, will either be war or an Arab solution that will not last very long. So one way or another, we are looking at a tinderbox for some time to come." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/31)

"Oil isn't this market's problem," declares STEVEN EINHORN, chairman of the investment policy committee at GOLDMAN SACHS. "The problems are earnings, interest rates and dividend growth." Mr. Einhorn says many corporate profit projections by Wall Street are still too high. Stock prices are likely to falter as companies miss those marks, or as analysts lower their expectations. He also says the dividend growth is slowing and that interest rates will probably remain at current levels for some time. (WSJ, 11/1)

"We now see the first early rays of sunshine," says the still bearish STAN WEINSTEIN of the "Professional Tape Reader." "It is likely that this bear market will end by the first quarter of 1991." But he cautions: "Damage can still occur in the final destructive stages of capitulation." (CNBC "World Business", 11/31)

STOCK MARKET:

THOMAS GALLAGHER, managing director of capital commitment at OPPENHEIMER & CO. says the market seems to be on the verge of making a major move one way or another. "There's a lot of interest on the buy side, but at every moment investors are watching oil, waiting for some bad news out of the Gulf." (WSJ, 11/1)

"It's a relief to have an October where we didn't get our brains beaten out, but that doesn't mean we are free and clear," says HUGH JOHNSON, chief strategist at FIRST ALBANY CORP. "The risks are still very much out there." He blames yesterdays decline on the day's economic reports which he says "hurt the market. When you see bonds up and stocks down, it usually signals there's growing concern over the state of the economy. It was intensified somewhat by

the Chicago P.M.I. [Purchasing Managers' Index] and the beige book." ("USA Today" and NYT, 11/1)

"This morning we seemed to be doing rather well," says HILDEGARD ZAGORSKI of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. She believes the market is getting ready to turn around. "We're in the process of trying to carve out some kind of a bottom around this 2400 level, and that could take a while." ("Investor's Daily", 11/1)

"I see a lot of uncertainty out there, both from the retail side and from institutions," says JEREMIAH MULLINS, head of OTC trading at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS in New York. "I think they're afraid of war." (WSJ, 11/1)

Stocks have been buffeted by rumors for the last several months, rising and falling dramatically on mere hearsay, and while it may not be possible to tell anything from a stock's action on a rumor, "What can tell you something is when stocks act contrary to a rumor," according to A.C. MOORE of ARGUS RESEARCH. When a bearish rumor circulates and stocks climb, "the market has good underlying strength and the rumor is probably false." ("Investor's Daily", 11/1)

"Everybody is looking at earnings," says RALPH COSTANZA, head of OTC trading at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM & CO. "If there are any disappointments, then stocks are overreacting." (WSJ, 11/1)

"I do believe October 11 -- the 2365 Dow close -- that was the low," says WILLIAM LEFEVRE of ADVEST. "Since then we've been in what I call a bottoming process. This [recent] volatility is typical of a bottoming process." Lefevre suggests investors begin to take a longer view. He says multi-national companies with significant sales overseas will benefit from the weaker dollar as they repatriate their sales. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/31)

STOCK TIPS:

HARVEY HEINBACH at MERRILL LYNCH says Wall Street sees the $2 billion third-quarter loss taken by GENERAL MOTORS as a good move because it reflects a decision to trim excess factory capacity. "It's clear to everyone that GM has been operating with too much capacity relative to its volume," he says. DAVID COLE, an auto industry expert at the UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, says, "This is a financial move that's been long overdue." JOHN CASESA of WERTHEIM SCHRODER says the GM action is "just the beginning of the process." JOSEPH PHILLIPPI of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS says, "They've got some really basic, underlying problems that aren't going to go away." ("The Washington Post" and "USA Today", 11/1)

Yesterday GM announced that, partially as a result of a costly restructuring

program, it had lost $2.1 billion in the third quarter, contrasted with a $517 million profit last year. "The initial reaction is that this is a very positive restructuring for the long- term," says SCOTT MERLIS of MORGAN STANLEY & CO. "But we are all still concerned about the short-term." ("Investor's Daily", 11/1)

Any good news could fuel a sharp rally in stock prices, say the editors at "United and Babson." "This is a good time to invest some spare cash in strong companies." On their buying list is BRISTOL MYERS where they like the cost savings from the merger with Squibb. On any further weakness, buy DEERE. They also like COMMUNITY PSYCHIATRIC where long term debt is only 7% of capital. (CNBC "World Business", 11/1)

BOEING remains a favorite stock of a very bearish ALAN ACKERMAN of GRUNTAL & CO. for those who are determined to be in the stock market. He thinks two or three-year Treasury bills are the best investment now, but that if one "takes a very long-term view of things, Boeing looks very attractive." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/31)

A delay in the introduction of a new automated trading system by REUTERS HOLDINGS PLC cost the company 3 points as it closed at a 22 week low of 32 5/8. "Reuters tends to be square shooters," says GRUNTAL & CO.'s STU CRANE, who explains that the company is merely working out the bugs, and therefore the delay is positive rather than negative. He believes "the stock is on the bottom of its cycle." ("Investor's Daily", 11/1)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

Interest-rate differentials are "going against the U.S.," says MICHAEL ROSENBERG, manager of the international fixed-income research group at MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MARKETS GROUP. For that reason, he sees the dollar going "lower ... a lot lower." (WSJ, 11/1)

"If the October data show that unemployment went way up, the Fed can ease policy again," says DAVID DUERSON, manager of government bond trading at the SECURITY PACIFIC NATIONAL BANK in Los Angeles. (NYT, 11/1)

Private demand for credit is dropping like a rock, says ERICH HEINEMANN, chief economist at LADENBURG, THALMANN & CO. who looks for reduced demand to lead to lower rates. "We're expecting the federal funds rate to be down well below 7% by next spring," says Heinemann. "We think the underlying inflation rate in

the economy is way below what we see right now." While he can't forecast what will happen in the Gulf, Heinemann believes oil price pressures are temporary and will not lead to a chain reaction inflation in the U.S. economy. (CNBC "Money Wheel", 10/31)

The Treasury Department's announcement that it will need to borrow $97 billion this quarter will keep interest rates high, "particularly if foreign interest for these issues ... is absent," according to BRIAN FABBRI of MIDLAND MONTAGU. He says Treasury borrowing will take the place of private bond issues, since the slower economy will mean companies' demand for capital will be lower, "leaving rates, at the longer end, unchanged." (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/31)

"I think the [bond] market right now is very comfortable," says CHARLES LIEBERMAN of MANUFACTURERS HANOVER SECURITIES in predicting that the Treasury will not have any trouble selling $34 billion worth of securities, mostly to domestic buyers. "The economy is weak and whenever the economy gets weak, domestic investors are happy to step up to the [T-bill] plate. It gives them more confidence." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 10/31)

"What we have is private sector credit demands weakening and lenders cutting off riskier borrowers," says AUBREY G. LANSTON & CO. chief economist DAVID JONES. "The availability of credit to private sources is limited in this weaker economic environment." He says institutional investors will be attracted to the safety of government issues. ("Nightly Business Report", 10/31)

THE ECONOMY:

"Even those that don't think we're heading into a recession think that the best we can expect is some kind of stagnation," says JIM KLUMPNER, an economist with the JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE of Congress. The TAX FOUNDATION forecasts a 1% drop in real earnings this year. "The next tax increases [in the deficit reduction deal] will only make things worse next year," says PAUL MERSKI of the private foundation. ("USA Today", 11/2)

"Manufacturing has had a nice run on exports," says JERRY JASINOWSKI, president of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS. "But even exports have petered out a bit," says Jasinowski, who looks for negative growth for the next several quarters. He concludes, "You're going to have a recession." (CNN "Moneyline", 10/31)

"There are parts of this economy that are slowing and there are other parts that are doing pretty well," says WILLIAM LEFEVRE of ADVEST. With the investment industry and financial media concentrated in the depressed Northeast, there has been an exaggeration of the nation's economic woes, according to Lefevre. He warns, "You can talk this nation into a recession. If enough people tell you we are in a recession ... you might put off buying that big ticket item. ... It becomes a self fulfilling prophecy." (FNN

"Marketwrap", 10/31)

When asked whether the nation was in a recession, HUGH JOHNSON, chief strategist at FIRST ALBANY CORP., replied, "Technically, you have to have two quarters of negative growth in the economy, and at this point we haven't had one, although it's beginning to look as though the fourth quarter might be negative." (NYT, 11/1)

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reported that consumer spending jumped 1.1% in September outpacing the 0.5% growth in personal income. The report "shows consumer purchasing power obviously is under pressure in the aftermath of the oil shock" from the Persian Gulf situation, says STEPHEN ROACH, senior economist with MORGAN STANLEY & COMPANY. Nevertheless, Mr. Roach adds, "consumers are really sort of clinging tenaciously to their life styles. Their spending is holding up just fine." (NYT, 11/1)

"I'm surprised" at the consumer spending report, says IRA SILVER, chief economist for J.C. PENNEY CO. "The GNP, and now the [consumer] spending report, is somewhat inconsistent with an economy that's going into a recession." (WSJ, 11/1)

STAN SHIPLEY, senior economist at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS, says consumer spending is bound to drop in the weeks ahead. "He just does not have the income to keep spending this high," he says. "Also, I think consumer expectations have really taken a hit and is down by roughly 40% over the last four months. I think for the next four months consumer spending will be quite soft." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 10/31)

ROSALIND WELLS, chief economist for the NATIONAL RETAIL FEDERATION, says the consumer spending report suggests that the economy isn't slowing as much as some other economists have been predicting. "My impression of what's happening to real income after inflation is that increases are becoming smaller and smaller. Consumers will cut back spending for an extended period of time." She adds, "A lot of economists are going overboard in their pessimistic forecasts." (WSJ, 11/1)

A survey of small business owners by "D&B Reports," a DUN & BRADSTREET publication, finds 23% saying they are pessimistic about future prospects compared to 13% a year ago. On the other side, 59% saw they are optimistic, compared to 67% last year. Meanwhile, the AMERICAN EXPRESS "Small Business Climate Index" being issued today finds demand for small businesses' products and services fell 9% in the second quarter, the largest drop since the 1981-82 recession. "Few companies large or small can remain unaffected if the Mideast situation intensifies," says DEBRA ISENBERG of American Express' small-business services. ("USA Today", 11/1)

IN WASHINGTON:

"The Democrats think they've died and gone to heaven," says GREGORY VALLIERE of the CL WASHINGTON RESEARCH GROUP. "They can't believe how lucky they've become to have this good fortune fall in their laps." Valliere is looking for the Democrats to pick up a net of one seat in the Senate, increasing their margin there to 56-44, and a gain of 12 seats in the House for a 269-164 majority. (FNN "Marketwrap", 10/31)

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WICHITA, KAN. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Midwest, Inc. (NASDAQ: AMWI) today reported a net profit of $813,000 or $0.23 per share for the third quarter of 1990. That compares with a net loss of $261,000 ($0.07 per share) in the same quarter of last year.

In the quarter just completed, the company reported operating revenues of $21,294,000 and operating expenses of $19,934,000. Those figures represent a 4.1 percent decrease in operating revenues which is more than offset by an 8.8 percent decrease in operating expenses.

For the year to date, the company has reported a net profit of $3,686,000 ($0.97 per share) on revenues of $61,046,000. During the same period in 1989, Air Midwest reported a loss of $75,000 ($0.02 per share).

President and CEO Robert L. Priddy commented: "We are pleased with the results of the third quarter of 1990; however, comparability of results between this quarter and the third quarter 1989 is impacted by the effect of the third-quarter 1989 Braniff bankruptcy."

Air Midwest is the largest regional airline operating in St. Louis and Kansas City.

AIR MIDWEST, INC.
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Dollars in thousands, except per share and yield data)

Three Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Percent Change
Operating revenues	$21,294	$22,208	(4.1)
Operating expenses	19,934	21,857	(8.8)
Operating income	1,360	351	
Inc. (loss) bef. inc. taxes and extraordinary item	932	(300)	
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	766	(116)	
Extraordinary item (A)	47	(145)	
Net income (loss)	813	(261)	
Weighted average common shares outstanding	3,615,997	3,910,618	(7.5)

Earnings (loss) per common and equivalent share	0.23	(0.07)	
Passengers	216,401	257,206	(15.9)
Available seat miles	116,080,000	122,697,000	(5.4)
Revenue passenger miles	48,738,000	51,224,000	(4.9)
Load factor (percent)	42.0	41.7	0.3pts.
Yield	$0.410	$0.418	(1.9)
Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Percent Change
Operating revenues	$61,046	$63,943	(4.5)
Operating expenses	58,004	61,268	(5.3)
Operating income	3,042	2,675	
Inc. (loss) bef. inc. taxes and extraordinary item	4,228	(38)	
Income (loss) before extraordinary credit	3,467	(75)	
Extraordinary credit (A)	219	--	
Net income (loss)	3,686	(75)	
Weighted average common shares outstanding	3,809,846	3,902,082	(2.4)
Earnings (loss) per common and equivalent share	0.97	(0.02)	
Passengers	601,610	731,657	(17.8)
Available seat miles	323,207,000	338,424,000	(4.5)
Revenue passenger miles	134,117,000	143,023,000	(6.2)
Load factor (percent)	41.5	42.3	(0.8)pts.
Yield	$0.430	$0.426	0.9

(A) -- The extraordinary credits for the three-month and the nine- month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, represent the reduction of income taxes due to the utilization of tax losses from prior years and increased primary earnings per common and equivalent share by $0.02 and $0.06, respectively. The extraordinary debit for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1989, represents the reversal of previously recorded extraordinary credits and decreased earnings per common and equivalent share by $0.04.

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PORTLAND, ORE. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Fabricland, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FBRC), today reported a 5.4 percent increase in first quarter net sales to $19,977,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $18,954,000 in the first quarter in fiscal 1990. Earnings decreased 9.9 percent to $582,000, or $.18 per share, compared to $646,000, or $.20 per share, for the same period in the prior year. Average shares outstanding were 3,192,000 in fiscal 1991 compared with 3,217,000 in fiscal 1990, reflecting the company's

repurchase of its shares.

Tony J. Bosboom, president, said that he was encouraged by the customer response to the recently implemented modified sales promotion program. Sales remained relatively level in comparison to the prior year when the company had a more aggressive sales promotion program. The present sales program, along with other reductions in cost of sales, has enabled the company to improve gross margins from 42 percent to 45 percent of net sales. The improved gross margins offset the increase in operating expenses associated with minimum wage increases and store expansion in the last 12 months. However, an increase in interest expense, related to increased inventory levels and capital expenditures, contributed to the reduction in earnings.

Bosboom further stated that recent sales to date have shown an exceptionally strong improvement over the prior year. He indicated that he believed that this was due to improved customer acceptance of the current sales promotion program and an indication of an increased interest on the part of customers in home sewing and decorating, and crafts projects this season. The second quarter is generally the busiest sales season for the company.

The company currently has 77 stores compared with 73 stores in the first quarter last year. During the first quarter one store was opened and one store was closed at the end of its lease. The company also relocated and expanded one store and remodeled two stores. Four additional stores are expected to be opened this fiscal year plus one relocation and several remodels.

FABRICLAND, INC.

	Fiscal Year	
Three months ended Sept. 30	1991	1990
Net sales	$19,977,000	$18,954,000
Net earnings	$ 582,000	$ 646,000
Net earnings per share	$.18	$.20
Average shares outstanding	3,192,000	3,217,000

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ST. LOUIS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - W.Y. Fung was named president of Hong Kong-based Kellwood Asia Limited and managing director of Smart Shirts Limited today according to William J. McKenna, president and chief executive officer of Kellwood Company (NYSE: KWD).

Fung, formerly senior vice president of Smart Shirts, joined Smart Shirts in 1975. Fung replaces T.F. Ying who is retiring from the chief executive posts of Kellwood Asia and Smart Shirts. Ying will continue to be involved with

both the Hong Kong companies on a consulting basis and has been appointed chairman of Kellwood Asia and Smart Shirts. He joined Smart Shirts in 1973, being named managing director of it in 1976 and president of Kellwood Asia in 1984.

Kellwood Asia is a holding company for Far East operations and a conduit for the development and expansion of global manufacturing and sourcing opportunities for the Kellwood Company. Smart Shirts, a world- class shirtmaker, operates facilities in Hong Kong, Taiwan, Sri Lanka, Saipan, and Costa Rica.

Kellwood Asia Limited and Smart Shirts Limited are subsidiaries of Kellwood Company, an international manufacturer and marketer of apparel, home fashions, and camping soft goods.

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SAN BRUNO, CALIF. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was released today by North Lily Mining Co.:

The arbitration on the Perry property has been resolved. The claim filed against the company for a 21 percent non-participating interest in the Perry property has been denied and full ownership of the property has been retained by the joint venture. Management is in the process of resuming an aggressive exploration/development program with a view to placing the property into production.

The 1,200 acre property, situated 26 miles northwest of St. George, Utah, is being joint ventured on a 50:50 basis by North Lily Mining Co. (NASDAQ: NLMC) and Goldsil Resources Ltd., a subsidiary. North Lily is the operator of the joint venture. Adjoining the property to the east is Tenneco Inc.'s open-pit, heap leach project which commenced production in 1989.

Exploration conducted by North Lily to date includes surface sampling, trenching and drilling. Results indicate a mineral resource of approximately two million tons with an average grade of approximately 0.045 ounces of gold per ton. Several highly mineralized zones have been identified on the property, one of which has been extended over a strike length of 1800 feet. The zone is open on strike and at depth. Current plans call for this zone to be extended within the next six months in order to facilitate a production decision. In addition, four new target areas have been identified which should significantly increase the current resource and an additional 165 acres have been acquired in the area to serve as the location of the mill site once a production decision has been made.

In terms of the company's exploration in the United States, the trenching and drilling program being undertaken on North Lily's Nine Mile project in Montana has encountered significant gold mineralization. Results are being evaluated, and will be announced next week.

North Lily Mining Co. is a gold mining company with offices in the United States, Canada and Chile. Two of the company's properties currently produce approximately 70,000 ounces of gold annually. North Lily is debt free and has sufficient working capital to aggressively explore and develop the company's additional resource properties.

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COEUR D'ALENE, ID (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Hecla Mining Co. (NYSE, PSE: HL) today announced earnings of $519,000, or 2 cents a share, in the third quarter of 1990, compared to a net loss of $3.5 million, or 13 cents a share, in the third quarter of 1989. Improved results are a reflection of increased gold production, lower costs at the silver operations, and a higher average gold price compared to the same period last year. An increase in other income is a result of a $1.1 million gain on the sale of Canadian properties to Acadia Mineral Ventures Limited and an $853,000 gain on a Coeur d'Alene land sale. For the first nine months of 1990, Hecla earned $7.1 million, or 26 cents a share, on sales of $103.4 million. This compares to a loss in the first nine months of 1989 of $9.2 million, or 34 cents a share, on sales of $74.8 million.

Gold production rose to 109,494 ounces during the first nine months of this year compared to 61,650 in the same period last year, a result of increased production at the Republic and Yellow Pine Units. The Yellow Pine mine, located in Central Idaho, produced 37,836 ounces of gold in the first nine months of 1990, most of it in the third quarter. The Republic Unit in northeast Washington has produced 62,535 ounces of gold so far this year, compared to about 55,000 ounces in the first nine months of 1989.

Silver production also increased for the first nine months of 1990 compared to the same period last year, up from 4,325,074 ounces to 4,514,621 ounces. The Greens Creek mine, now in its first full calendar year of production, has become a solid producer with an average cash cost of about $2.00 per ounce of silver. The Lucky Friday silver-lead mine in North Idaho is continuing normal operations, producing silver at an average cash cost per ounce of about $4.50. At this time, there are no plans to suspend operations at the Lucky Friday.

The average price of gold increased from $367 an ounce in the third quarter of 1989 to $382 in the third quarter of this year. Silver took the opposite course, dropping from an average of $5.18 an ounce in the third quarter of 1989 to $4.88 in the third quarter of 1990.

Hecla Mining Co., headquartered in Coeur d'Alene, is a leading domestic producer of newly mined silver and gold, and a supplier of premium ball clay, kaolin and specialty aggregates.

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#90305p2131 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILTON, CT (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Preferred Health Care, Ltd. (AMEX: PY) today reported record revenues and net income for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Total operating revenues for the third quarter were up 37 percent over those for the same quarter last year, net income was up 36 percent, and earnings per share were up 33 percent.

Total operating revenues in the third quarter were $8,676,626, compared to $6,319,085 for the same quarter last year. Net income was $1,333,653 or $.12 per share, against $983,031, or $.09 per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

Managed care services revenues in the third quarter were $6,823,426, compared to $4,731,060, for the same quarter last year, up 44 percent. Hospital advisory services revenues in the third quarter was $1,853,200, compared to $1,588,025, for the same quarter last year, up 17 percent.

Managed care services operating income in the third quarter was $661,919 compared to $317,627, for the same quarter last year. The current quarter includes a loss of approximately $225,000 attributable to the company's CareSys division acquired earlier this year. Hospital advisory services operating income for the third quarter was $1,615,468, compared to $1,348,226 for the year ago quarter.

Total operating revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $24,702,813, compared to $17,690,631, for the same period last year. Net income was $3,650,952, or $.32 per share, compared to $2,932,195 or $.28 per share, for the same period last year.

Managed care services operating income for nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $1,424,881 compared to $714,354, for the same period last year. Hospital advisory services operating income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $4,857,308, compared to $4,284,286, for the same period last year.

Preferred Health Care acquired its interest in CareSys, which provides quality assurance and cost containment services in the workers' compensation area, on May 1, 1990. Later that month, CareSys began a pilot program for a portion of the employees covered by the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries, one of the largest workers' compensation insurers in the country.

Preferred Health Care provides comprehensive managed mental health care and substance abuse programs for employers, unions, insurance companies and health maintenance organizations in all 50 states.

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#90305p2132 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHATSWORTH, CA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Diodes Inc. (AMEX: DIO), a full-line semiconductor rectifier supplier, today announced the resignation of David M. Lloyd from all offices in the company. Lloyd has been employed at Diodes since 1972. He has been a director since 1982 and chief executive officer since he succeeded his father in 1984. The board of directors has appointed its chairman, Thomas Hurley, to take over Lloyd's functions on an interim basis pending the appointment of a successor.

A spokesman for the company stated: "Losing the services of Mr. Lloyd, who is the son of one of the founders of Diodes, came as a surprise. We wish him much success in his future endeavors." Lloyd stated that he has no definite plans for the future. At this juncture, no decision has been made as to who will succeed Lloyd on a permanent basis and the board is considering various options. Hurley stated: "Recent restructuring has given the company a strong management team well able to sustain the forward movement shown in last quarter's sales and earnings. We expect this to continue as we proceed to select and put in place a new chief executive."

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#90305p2139 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

NOVATO, CALIF. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Software Toolworks, Inc. (NASDAQ: TWRX) announced today that Elizabeth Barker has resigned as president and chief operating officer. Barker, citing family reasons for her resignation, will remain on the company's board of directors and as a consultant.

Les Crane, chairman of the board, said that Robert Lloyd has been appointed president and chief operating officer. Lloyd joined The Software Toolworks in September as president of the company's consumer products division.

"We regret Beth's resignation," Crane said, "but respect her decision. During her tenure, she has displayed unwavering commitment and dedication to the challenges facing our company.

Beth will continue to have an important strategic role as an active consultant and member of the board," Crane said.

Prior to joining The Software Toolworks, Lloyd was president of DataEast, a privately-held, $100 million manufacturer of coin-operated video games, publisher of personal computer software, and an authorized Nintendo licensee. "The breadth and depth of Bob Lloyd's operational experience and his successful history as the president of a major company in our industry group provides The Software Toolworks with a skill-set eminently suited to meet our current and future needs," said Crane.

The Software Toolworks is a vertically integrated software publisher, distributor and developer for the Nintendo and personal computer market.

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#90305p2140 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomson Advisory Group L.P. (NYSE: TAG) announced today the completion of the previously announced transaction under which senior members of its management, in conjunction with investment partnerships associated with Greylock Management Corporation and TA Associates both of Boston, purchased Thomson McKinnon's general partnership interest in the partnership and its interest in its affiliated distributor.

The completion of the agreement follows its approval by shareholders as well as by the appropriate regulatory authorities.

Thomson Advisory Group L.P. manages a family of nine mutual funds and serves as advisor to private accounts through its Columbus Circle Investors and its Foxhall Investment Management divisions. As of Sept. 30, 1990, total assets under management exceeded $6.5 billion.

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#90305p2143 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - For the second consecutive month, electric demand by Consumers Power Company's customers has set an all-time record.

Electric sendout during October was 2.74 million megawatt-hours, a 2.2 percent increase over the previous October record set last year.

The utility responded to the record demand through electric generation supplied by its own power plants and by purchasing capacity from independent power plants, including the Midland Cogeneration Venture.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation

(NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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#90305p2144 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CONN. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Mike G. Collins of Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc.'s (UCC&P) Polyolefins Division has been appointed a Union Carbide senior corporate fellow. A chemical engineer, he currently manages the UNIPOL reactor units at the Polyolefins Division's Seadrift plant at Port Lavaca, Texas, and chairs the polypropylene business team for the UCC&P-Shell Chemical Company polypropylene production joint venture.

The first Corporate Fellow from manufacturing, Collins was named for his sustained, significant contributions to polyolefins manufacturing technology. His contributions include the first scale-up from a pilot plant to a commercial UNIPOL reactor; improvements in condensing mode technology to boost reactor output; development of high-strength resins to improve end products; improvements in UNIPOL polypropylene process technology to make it commercially viable; and support for the licensing of UNIPOL manufacturing technology, including reactor start-up, training and service for customers.

A native of Charleston, W.Va., Collins received his bachelor's and master's degrees in chemical engineering from West Virginia University. He has been associated with Union Carbide since 1950, when he joined the staff of the South Charleston, W.Va., plant and started work in hydrocarbons -- ethylene and propylene -- manufacturing. He transferred to polyolefins manufacturing in 1967.

He and his wife, Mae, live in Victoria, Texas. Union Carbide has 36 corporate and senior corporate fellows, all recognized for their technology leadership and outstanding contributions to the company.

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#90305p2147 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Integra Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: ITGR) today announced that its chairman, George F. Kesel, informed the board of directors at its regular quarterly meeting Wednesday, Oct. 31, that he intended to retire at the end of the year.

Kesel, who has been with Integra and predecessor companies for 30 years said, "The pleasure of working for so many years with directors and managements of

Integra and its banks has been a singular experience. Our continuing concern for customers and employees over the years, a central theme in community banking, has been remarkable. It is clear," he concluded, "the company's strengths are more than up to the challenges of the times, and its future is exciting and promising."

Prior to the formation of Integra in January 1989 through the merger of Union National Corp. and Pennbancorp, Kesel served as president and chief executive officer of Union National Corp.

Regarding Kesel's announcement, William F. Roemer, president and chief exectutive officer, commented, "George Kesel has given three decades of dedicated and valuable service to Union National and Ingegra and played a vital role in the formation of Integra, for which we are all deeply appreciative. I am pleased that we will continue to have the benefit of his wise counsel and sound advice as he continues to serve as a director."

Roemer will assume the additional title of chairman, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

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#90305p2152 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

FOSTER CITY, CA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Gilead Sciences announced today that Dr. John C. Martin has joined the company as vice president for research and development.

From 1984, until he joined Gilead, Martin was with Bristol-Myers Squibb, where as director of antiviral chemistry, he managed medicinal chemistry, pre-clinical development of lead compounds, and outside collaborations in drug discovery, in vitro assays, and animal studies. He served as project team leader for D4T, a promising anti-AIDS drug, from discovery through early clinical trials, and participated in the evaluation of the AIDS drug, ddI, and several other anti-infective agents. Martin was with Syntex from 1978 to 1984 where he synthesized, patented and performed the early evaluation of gancyclovir, now approved for the treatment of cytomegalovirus.

In 1990, he received the Isbell Award of the American Chemical Society for his applications of carbohydrate chemistry to the design of medicinally active nucleosides and nucleotides. Martin completed his Ph.D. under Dr. Josef Fried at the University of Chicago.

In July of this year, Gilead entered into a five-year research and development collaboration in the field of anti-cancer therapeutics with Glaxo, the third largest pharmaceutical company in the world. This agreement includes over $20 million in R&D payments to Gilead and a minority equity investment by Glaxo in

Gilead. The agreement is the first of its kind for both companies.

Gilead Sciences, founded in 1987, is an emerging pharmaceutical company using novel genetic code blocking techniques to develop therapeutics against severe diseases, such as viral infections, cancer, and inflammation.

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#90305p2153 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Odetics (AMEX: OA, OB) announced today that three of the company's space tape recorders on board the Hubble Space telescope (HST) have been providing critical storage and playback of engineering and science data.

The on-board recorders store 1.2 gigabits (Gb) of data and are used when real-time data transmission via the Tracking and Data Relay Satellite System (TDRSS) is not available. Data rates of four, 32 and 1,024Kbps can be recorded on any one of the three identical recorders, allowing either engineering or science data to be stored and played back later.

A servicing and reboost mission in 1993 is planned by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Goddard Space Flight Center. One or two of the most frequently utilized tape recorders will likely be replaced during this servicing mission.

The HST recorders produced by Odetics were supplied to the prime contractor for the Support Systems Module and integrator, Lockheed Missiles and Space Co. Inc. under a contract started in 1978.

The HST project was managed by the Marshall Space Flight Center for NASA Headquarters office of Space Science and Applications.

Odetics has provided similar recorders for NASA's Galileo mission to Jupiter and Magellan's mapping mission around Venus. Other Odetics recorders have been provided for the recently launched German ROSAT mission and the soon to be launched NASA/Fairchild Gamma Ray Observatory.

Odetics, headquartered in Anaheim, is the leading supplier of the world's space tape recorders for earth resources, weather and scientific satellites.

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#90305p2154 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal Exploration Corp. (NYSE: UXC) today reported third quarter 1990 earnings of $47.9 million before income taxes, compared with earnings of $43.9 million for the same period a year ago (when, because of partnership status, there were no income tax liabilities). Largely because of a one-time special tax adjustment relating to UXC's shift from a partnership to a corporation, net earnings were $12.9 million for 1990's third quarter.

For the first nine months, UXC's earnings were $145.9 million before income taxes and $110.9 million after taxes. This compared with 1989 earnings of $201.5 million -- a period that included $70.5 million in one-time natural gas contract settlements, as well as no income tax liabilities.

On Aug. 2, 1990, Union Exploration Partners, Ltd. (UXP), completed its restructuring from a master limited partnership to a corporation.

Since the company is now a taxable entity, UXC's third quarter and nine-month earnings included an income tax provision of $35.0 million.

The income tax provision reflects estimated taxes of $7.2 million on UXC earnings since its incorporation and a one-time charge of $27.8 million for deferred income taxes resulting from the change to a taxable entity and from the adoption of the new accounting standards for income taxes. The $7.2 million provision includes a deferred tax benefit of $5.6 million associated with the recently paid contingent cash distribution of $3 per UXP depositary unit.

Compared with the prior year, the third quarter and nine-month 1990 results benefited from the sharp increase in crude oil prices, higher natural gas production and lower dry hole costs. These positive factors were partially offset by lower natural gas prices and higher interest expense, as well as higher production expense and amortization of exploratory land costs. The third quarter and the year-to-date 1989 results included $9.1 million and $70.5 million in gains from various natural gas contract settlements with pipeline companies.

Cash flows from operations, before working capital changes, were $106.6 million for the quarter, compared with $95.5 million for the same period last year. For the nine months, cash flow totaled $324.5 million, compared with $386.1 million a year ago.

Third quarter revenues were $227.7 million compared with $171.9 million in 1989. Nine-month revenues were $605.4 million compared with $582.9 million a year ago.

Capital expenditures for the quarter totaled $54.9 million up from $51.3 million in the same quarter last year. Year-to-date capital expenditures were

$180.7 million, compared with $143.1 million in 1989. In addition, UXC acquired the stock of Prairie Holding Company, an oil and gas exploration and production company, in July 1990. The acquisition of Prairie is valued at approximately $340 million, consisting of the cash purchase price of $272 million and the assumption of certain net liabilities of Prairie.

The Prairie acquisition adds more than 20,000 net acres of promising exploratory lands to UXC holdings. UXC's net daily production from Prairie's productive acreage in the third quarter averaged 43 million cubic feet of natural gas, 3,100 barrels of crude oil and condensate, and 97 long tons of sulphur. In addition, Prairie has varying interests in three gas processing plants in Texas and Louisiana.

Exploration expense for the third quarter was $10.5 million compared with $8.5 million last year. For the nine months, exploration expense totaled $26.8 million, versus $23.5 million in 1989.

UXC's total debt at Sept. 30, 1990, was $888.9 million, an increase of $415.0 million from the year-end 1989 level. This increase was primarily the result of the Prairie acquisition.

In the third quarter, UXC's net crude oil and condensate production averaged 38,800 barrels per day, compared with 37,400 barrels per day in the same period a year ago. For the first nine months, net daily production averaged 37,500 barrels, versus 39,000 barrels per day in 1989.

Third quarter net natural gas production averaged 581 million cubic feet per day, up from 419 million cubic feet per day a year ago. Nine-month net natural gas production averaged 514 million cubic feet per day, compared to 439 million cubic feet per day in 1989.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Logicon Inc. (NYSE: LGN) today announced results for its fiscal year 1991 second quarter and six month periods which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income in the second quarter was $1.9 million, or 47 cents per share on revenues of $63.5 million. This compares with net income of $2.8 million, or 62 cents per share on revenues of $68.5 million in the comparable period a year ago.

Results include a pre-tax provision for contract loss of $1.4 million related to a United States Navy fixed-price development contract for air traffic controller training systems which are currently in the integration and test

phase. The company is continuing to experience cost increases on this contract due to customer caused delays.

For the first six months of fiscal year 1991, the company reported net income of $3.8 million, or $.90 per share on revenues of $127.0 million, compared with net income of $5.5 million, or $1.20 per share on revenues of $127.6 million reported in the first half of fiscal year 1990.

Logicon is a leader in providing advanced technology systems and services to support national security, civil and industrial needs.

LOGICON INC.
Summary
(In thousands except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended Sept. 30		Six months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$63,498	$68,506	$126,968	$127,632
Income before taxes on income	3,209	4,690	6,193	9,067
Net income	1,948	2,819	3,759	5,467
Earnings per share	$.47	$.62	$.90	$1.20
Average shares outstanding	4,118,000	4,561,000	4,174,000	4,554,000

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#90305p2157 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Douglas A. Henderson, president and chief executive of Polysar Rubber Corp., has been elected an executive vice president of Mobay Corp. and a member of its board of directors, the company announced today.

Mobay is a Bayer USA Inc. company. Toronto-based Polysar was recently acquired by Bayer AG and the newly formed Polysar Rubber Corp. is responsible for Bayer's North American rubber business. The 51-year-old Henderson, born in New Zealand and now a Canadian citizen, became affiliated with Polysar in 1963 and assumed the presidency of Polysar Rubber Corp. a few years ago.

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#90305p2158 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Fuji Xerox Company Limited will assume management responsibilities for and beneficial ownership of Rank Xerox Limited operations in Australia, Malaysia, New Zealand and Singapore under a planned restructuring of the South Pacific region announced today by Xerox Corporation.

Fuji Xerox plans to establish a new company to manage those operations in addition to the existing Fuji Xerox units in Indonesia, the Philippines, South Korea, Taiwan and Thailand.

In a joint statement, Xerox, Rank Xerox and Fuji Xerox said: "This restructuring is being implemented to better serve our customers throughout the fast-growing Asia/Pacific region. In addition, operating synergies and an integrated management focus on this geographic area will strengthen our long-term competitiveness, expand the market for Xerox products and services, and improve earnings for the entire group of Xerox companies."

United Kingdom-based Rank Xerox is a joint venture between Xerox (NYSE: XRX), with headquarters in Stamford, Conn., and The Rank Organization (NASDAQ: RANKY) in the U.K. Fuji Xerox, with its head office in Tokyo, is a joint venture of Rank Xerox and Fuji Photo Film Company Limited (NASDAQ: FUJIY), Tokyo.

Under terms of the restructuring, Fuji Xerox will pay a total of $410 million to Xerox and Rank Xerox. Xerox said it plans to repay short-term debt from its net proceeds, which will amount to approximately $200 million after payment of taxes and receipt of a special cash dividend from Rank Xerox.

The gain on the transaction, net of taxes and deferrals, is expected to contribute between 40 cents and 50 cents a share to the Xerox 1990 fourth quarter results.

Transfer of the management and ownership of the involved operations is subject to approval by various governmental bodies.

Akira Yokota, who has been director and general manager, international business for Fuji Xerox, will assume responsibility for the new regional organization. Each of the operating units involved in the restructuring will continue to be headed by its current management.

Total employment of the combined operations in the South Pacific region is about 6,200 and is not expected to be affected by the organizational change. The new Fuji Xerox company will have its headquarters in Singapore with approximately 60 employees.

Customer contracts, products and support services will be unaffected by this

organizational change. The products offered will continue to be sourced from manufacturing operations of Xerox in the United States, Rank Xerox in Europe and various Fuji Xerox plants.

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#90305p2161 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Senetek PLC board of directors announced today that 1,129,341 "A" warrants (NASDAQ: SNTWF), exercisable at $2.50 per ordinary share with expiration date May 15, 1991, are extended to May 15, 1992. In addition, 1,332,500 "B" warrants (NASDAQ: SNTZF), exercisable at $3.25 per ordinary share with expiration date May 15, 1992, are extended to May 15, 1993.

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#90305p2164 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Zweig Total Return Fund, Inc. (NYSE, PSE: ZTR), a closed-end investment company that began operations in September 1988, today announced its monthly distribution to shareholders. The distribution, of 7 cents per share, will be paid on Nov. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 13, 1990 (ex-date Nov. 6, 1990).

Martin Zweig, chairman of the board and president of the fund, said, "I am pleased to announce this distribution to the Zweig Total Return Fund's shareholders. This distribution is in keeping with our policy to make minimum monthly distributions of 0.83 percent of the fund's net asset value (10 percent on an annualized basis), offering our shareholders a stable cash flow."

The Zweig Total Return Fund's investment objective is to seek the highest total return, consisting of capital appreciation and current income, consistent with the preservation of capital.

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#90305p2165 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Witco Corporation (NYSE: WIT) announced it will spend $35 million at its manufacturing facility in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, to install a hydrogenation unit for the manufacture of white mineral oils, microcrystalline waxes and petrolatums. This represents the

largest single capital project Witco has undertaken in its 70-year history.

"Witco is one of the world's largest marketers of these products. We have a strong presence in Europe and this commitment positions us to maintain our leadership status into the next century," said Witco President Denis Andreuzzi. "Capacity for white mineral oils, microcrystalline waxes and petrolatums will be substantially increased, meeting expanding worldwide demand. When the additional benefits of using new technology to surpass the increasingly stringent government regulations for products and environment were considered by Witco's board of directors, there was no doubt of their support."

Earlier this year, the company announced that it has undertaken an expansion to install neutral and overbased calcium sulfonate capacity at Amsterdam and that it had completed the expansion of sulfonation facilities in Elbeuf, France, for the manufacture of sulfonic acids.

Witco Chairman William R. Toller stated, "We believe in capitalizing on our strength as a global manufacturer and marketer and will further nurture our strength with capital investment. The world is on the brink of an open economy and we are poised to take advantage of a marketplace with few man-made barriers left."

The Amsterdam facility is operated by Witco B.V., a wholly owned subsidiary of Witco Corporation. Witco manufactures specialty chemical and petroleum products and engineered materials with annual sales of approximately $1.6 billion.

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#90305p2166 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. today announced that it has completed its exchange offers commenced on Oct. 3 and that such exchange offers were oversubscribed.

RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. said that it has accepted for exchange and payment and thereby purchased $1.859 billion of the sum of principal of plus accrued and unpaid interest on its Senior Converting Debentures Due 2009 and $541 million of the sum of principal of plus accrued and unpaid interest on the Subordinated Exchange Debentures Due 2007 of RJR Nabisco Holdings Group Inc., validly tendered and not properly withdrawn pursuant to the exchange offers. The exchange offers expired at 1 a.m., New York City time, on Thursday, Nov. 1. Pursuant to the terms of the exchange offers, there was no accrued and unpaid interest on the Subordinated Exchange Debentures as of the expiration of the exchange offers.

RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. stated that it has been advised by its Exchange Agent, First Chicago Trust Company of New York, that a preliminary count of tendered debentures showed that approximately $2,039,059,890 of the sum of principal of plus accrued and unpaid interest on the Senior Converting Debentures had been validly tendered (including $662,058,800 of the sum of principal of plus accrued and unpaid interest on such Senior Converting Debentures tendered pursuant to guarantees of delivery) and approximately $1,558,085,775 of the sum of principal of plus accrued and unpaid interest on the Subordinated Exchange Debentures had been validly tendered (including $204,039,425 of the sum of principal of plus accrued and unpaid interest on such Subordinated Exchange Debentures tendered pursuant to guarantees of delivery). Based on the preliminary count (and assuming the valid delivery of debentures tendered by guaranteed delivery), approximately 91 percent of the validly tendered amount of principal of plus accrued and unpaid interest on Senior Converting Debentures will be exchanged on a pro rata basis (calculated in units of $25 principal amounts) from each tendering holder of Senior Converting Debentures and approximately 34 percent of the validly tendered amount of principal of plus accrued and unpaid interest on Subordinated Exchange Debentures will be exchanged on a pro rata basis (calculated in units of $25 principal amounts) from each tendering holder of Subordinated Exchange Debentures.

Payment for debentures exchanged pursuant to the exchange offers will be made as promptly as practicable after the determination of the final proration factors. In light of the fact that tenders by guaranteed delivery may be satisfied until the close of business on Nov. 7, RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. does not expect to be able to announce the final proration factors for at least approximately seven New York Stock Exchange trading days.

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CALABASAS, CALIF. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Players International Inc. (NASDAQ: PLAY) announced today that it will participate in the promotion for "Phone Wheel of Fortune", the largest promotion in television history for a single program. This special 900-number watch and win game, sponsored by King World and Merv Griffin Enterprises, will benefit Toys for Tots. The organization is guaranteed to receive $1 million in toys.

The promotion, known as "Wheel's Cruise and Cash Splash," will be featured as part of the nighttime television show for three weeks, beginning Nov. 1. The game allows viewers to call a 900 number to solve Wheel puzzles and qualify to win one of 500 $1,000 cash prizes ($500,000 total), or a one-week Caribbean cruise for two on Norwegian Cruise Lines (one winner per participating viewer market.)

All callers to the 900 number will receive coupons redeemable for a free Personal Pizza and pitcher of Pepsi at Pizza Hut. Along with the coupons, Players will send callers promotional announcements about their new daily Phone Wheel of Fortune and Phone Jeopardy! games.

Call Interactive, a joint venture of AT&T and American Express Information Services Corporation, is handling and processing the incoming calls, which are anticipated to reach substantial levels. Omaha-based Call Interactive is the nation's largest interactive service bureau, with the capacity to process up to 10,000 calls simultaneously.

The Players Phone Wheel of Fortune game, which is a separate and ongoing 900 number game (1-900-884-WHEEL), offers callers the chance to solve five Wheel of Fortune puzzles daily. The player with the fastest time wins the $500 daily prize. The game is currently being tested in preparation for its nationwide roll-out.

Phone Jeopardy!, Players Enterprises' initial 900-number game, is continuing to build its marketing programs, and anticipates increasing its advertising campaign in the first calendar quarter, when media costs are at their lowest levels. These games are the first in a full network of interactive telephone games and services being developed by Players.

Players International specializes in the marketing of numerous services and products to the gaming and entertainment industries. Players Club is a membership club with over 100,000 members, designed to deliver discounts and other benefits to recreational gamers; International Gaming Promotions markets gaming tournaments and special events; Players World Travel is a full-service travel agency; the company markets electronic cash advance systems, and operates cruise ship casinos.

CONTACT: JoAnn Horne of Morgen-Walke Associates, 212-986-5900, for Players International

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CROMWELL, CONN. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The special meeting of shareholders of Ripley Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: RIPY) called to be held on Sept. 25, 1990, adjourned to Oct. 16, 1990 and then adjourned to Oct. 30, 1990 to vote upon the merger of Ripley Acquisition Corporation into Ripley Company, Inc. on terms whereby shareholders of Ripley other than Ripley Acquisition Corporation would receive $4.15 per share in cash, was held at 11 a.m. in the company offices. Shares were represented at the meeting by proxy or in person. The merger was approved by 87 percent of the shareholders. It is anticipated that the merger will become effective on the filing of Certificates of Merger in Delaware and New York on Oct. 31, 1990. Letters of transmittal for share

certificates will be sent to shareholders on Nov. 1, 1990. Cash payments will be made upon receipt of share certificates.

CONTACT: David E. Wolfe, president of Ripley Company, 203-635- 2200

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#90305p2171 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CASS CITY, MICH. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Walbro Corporation Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer L.E. Althaver has announced a significant restructuring of the company's operations.

"The major thrusts of the restructuring include a streamlining of corporate staff and a shifting of all operating responsibility to Walbro's small-engine and automotive groups, in order to provide a more effective approach toward the company's two major markets," the Walbro chief executive said in announcing the restructuring.

Under the restructuring, Walbro's Small Engine Division will become a separate corporation, owned by Walbro Corporation.

"The establishment of Walbro's small-engine operations as a separate corporation will provide a total separation from Walbro's automotive operations, ensuring its complete dedication to the small-engine industry," Althaver said.

The new small-engine corporation will be headed by Robert H. Walpole, who will hold the title of president and chief operating officer. Prior to this appointment, Walpole served as Walbro Corporation's executive vice president.

Reporting to Walpole will be Thomas A. Schweigel, who will have operational responsibility for all Walbro small-engine facilities, including those in the United States, Mexico, Japan, Singapore and West Germany.

"This restructuring also includes significant changes to allow the Automotive Division to take a higher profile in that market. These include an expanded management presence and the addition of top-level personnel with extensive automotive experience," Althaver said.

Guy D. Barnicoat has been appointed president and chief operating officer of Walbro's Automotive Division. Barnicoat joins Walbro from Lectron Products Inc., Rochester, Mich., where he held the position of vice president and general manager. Barnicoat will be based in the Automotive Division's Auburn Hills, Mich., facility.

Louis E. Horner, who had previously served as vice president in charge of the Automotive Division, will relocate to France to oversee the Automotive Division's European operations including the new joint venture being formed

with Magneti Marelli, S.p.A. to market fuel system components in Europe. Horner will report to Barnicoat.

Walbro Vice President Richard H. Whitehead III will take on additional responsibilities as vice president, Mergers, Acquisitions and Strategic Direction. He will report to Althaver.

"We are confident that this restructuring will ensure Walbro's continued growth in both the small-engine and automotive markets by providing the improved focus, flexibility, and responsiveness needed to succeed in today's global marketplace," Althaver said.

Walbro Corporation is a designer and manufacturer of automotive and small-engine fuel system components. Walbro is headquartered in Cass City and has subsidiaries and joint ventures throughout the world, including the United States, Japan, Singapore, West Germany, Mexico, Korea and Hong Kong. Walbro common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol WALB.

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#90305p2173 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - SciMed Life Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: SMLS) and Possis Corporation (NASDAQ: POSS) today announced that a letter of intent has been executed between SciMed and Possis Medical, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Possis Corporation, establishing a joint development program for unique angioplasty products now being developed by Possis Medical. The letter of intent contemplates that SciMed will support Possis with technical and financial resources in order to accelerate development and that SciMed will have exclusive worldwide marketing rights to products resulting from the joint development effort. The agreement is subject to preparation of a definitive contract and approval by the boards of both companies.

The products under development are based upon high speed delivery of fluids to ablate and remove thrombus (blood clots) from peripheral and coronary blood vessels. These products are intended to provide physicians with a percutaneous technique for removing thrombus, the presence of which can complicate conventional balloon angioplasty and is common in diseased coronary and peripheral blood vessels.

SciMed is a leader in the coronary artery angioplasty market and has maintained aggressive programs seeking to develop major additional products for the vascular market. Possis Corporation has successfully developed ultra high pressure waterjet technology during a period of seven years of intensive research and development efforts.

CONTACT: Craig R. Dvorak of SciMed Life Systems, Inc., 612-420-0832; or Thomas E. Bower of Possis Corporation, 612-545-1471

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#90305p2174 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - RAC Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: RMF), today announced a monthly dividend of $0.105 per share to holders of record on Nov. 13, 1990, payable on Nov. 30, 1990. The ex- dividend trade date is Nov. 6, 1990.

RAC Income Fund, a closed-end investment fund, primarily invests in fixed-income mortgage-based securities that are rated AAA or AA by a nationally recognized agency, or are issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government, its agencies or instrumentalities. To a lesser degree, the fund may also invest in mortgage securities deemed to have an equivalent rating by the fund manager. The fund's goal is to distribute monthly income that is 150 to 200 basis points greater than the rate obtainable from U.S. Treasury securities, having the same maturity as the expected average life of the fund's investments.

RAC Income Fund is managed by Ryland Acceptance Advisers, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Ryland Acceptance Corporation. Ryland Acceptance Corporation is an indirect subsidiary of The Ryland Group, Inc.

CONTACT: Sheryl P. Kurland, RAC Income Fund, 301-730-6851.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Pride Petroleum Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: PRDE), today announced increases in net earnings of 60 percent for the three months and 196 percent for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to the respective periods in 1989. Revenues were up 50 percent in the third quarter and 46 percent for the nine months this year. The company attributes the improvement to increased demand for well servicing and to an expanded rig fleet.

Net earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $670,000 or $.04 per share on revenues of $25,178,000 compared to the same three months in 1989 when net earnings were $418,000 or $.04 per share on revenues of $16,781,000. Net earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $2,521,000 or $.15 per share on revenues of $70,444,000 compared to net earnings of $851,000 or $.07 per share on revenues of $48,090,000 for the same period in 1989. Earnings per share in both periods this year reflect a 40 percent increase in average shares outstanding primarily as the result of a private placement of Pride common stock in December 1989.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, well servicing rig hours worked were up for the seventh consecutive quarter with rig hours in the third quarter this year up 34 percent over the same quarter last year. For the nine-month period, rig hours worked this year are 35 percent ahead of the same nine months in 1989. After steady improvements in activity during the first five months this year, demand leveled off, but began increasing again in September. The level of business activity has continued to improve and Pride's rig utilization rate is climbing.

On a consecutive quarter basis this year, revenues in the third quarter were higher than the second quarter, but the gains were offset by a rise in operating costs. Therefore, earnings did not reach second quarter levels. The company incurred higher repair and maintenance costs in support of the increased business activity during the third quarter. Substantial fuel cost increases were also experienced, most of which the company was unable to pass through immediately to customers. Additionally, higher labor and workers' compensation costs were incurred. Pride effected an increase in rig rates on Oct. 1 which is expected to result in improved margins in the fourth quarter.

Pride Petroleum Services, Inc., headquartered in Houston, is one of the largest well servicing contractors in the United States. The company currently operates 409 rigs from locations in East and West Texas, along the Texas/Louisiana Gulf Coast, in California and New Mexico.

PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES, INC.
Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$25,178,000	$16,781,000
Earnings from operations	990,000	850,000
Net earnings	670,000	418,000
Net earnings per common share	$ .04	$ .04
Common shares outstanding	16,319,000	11,617,000
Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$70,444,000	$48,090,000
Earnings from operations	3,611,000	1,705,000
Net earnings	2,521,000	851,000
Net earnings per common share	$ .15	$ .07
Common shares outstanding	16,269,000	11,564,000

CONTACT: Eugene C. Fowler, VP and CFO of Pride, 713-871-8567; or Pat Hoyt of Hoyt & Associates, 713-665-2549, for Pride

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#90305p2177 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

PINE BROOK, NJ (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Cistron Biotechnology, Inc. today reported increased sales and earnings for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

First quarter sales rose 20 percent to $295,072 from $245,251 in the comparable quarter of the prior year. Net income for the first quarter was $50,941, an increase of 69 percent over last year's figure of $30,180. This marks the seventh consecutive quarter in which the biotechnology company has been profitable.

The gross margin on sales for the first quarter rose to 66 percent from 63 percent in the comparable quarter of the prior year, while operating expenses were reduced by 9 percent.

Cistron's primary product area is immune system regulators, known as lymphokines. The company manufactures and sells lymphokine assay kits to pharmaceutical companies, academic institutions and government agencies in the United States, Canada, Europe and the Far East for cancer, arthritis and other autoimmune disease research.

Cistron is developing additional lymphokine products which the company expects to introduce during fiscal 1991.

CISTRON BIOTECHNOLOGY, INC.
Financial Summary (unaudited)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 295,072	$ 245,251
Earnings before income taxes	50,941	30,180
Income taxes	20,472	12,054
Extraordinary credit -- tax loss carryforward	20,472	12,054
Net income	50,941	30,180
Net income per share	--	--
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	25,017,191	21,324,597

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JACKSON, MS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - MidSouth Corporation (NASDAQ: MSRR) today announced record revenues and increased earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 as well as record carloadings for the month of October.

The company reported revenues of $23,230,000 for the quarter, a new high for any quarter in the company's history, and a 9.5 percent increase over the same quarter in 1989 which was negatively affected by a customer's plant shutdown. Net income of $1,805,000 compared to $1,512,000, an increase of 19.4 percent, while earnings per share amounted to $.20 versus $.16 in the same period a

year ago.

For the first nine months of 1990 the company reported revenues of $68,334,000 against $65,858,000 in 1989. Net income of $5,341,000 or $.58 per share compared to $5,194,000 or $.57 in 1989. Abnormal increases in the cost of locomotive fuel in the first and third quarters of 1990 depressed earnings. Carloadings grew from 181,600 in 1989 to 190,200 in 1990, an increase of 4.7 percent.

MidSouth is a railroad holding company that provides freight transportation over 1,200 miles of track in the southeastern United States through its three operating subsidiaries: MidSouth Rail Corporation, MidLouisiana Rail Corporation and SouthRail Corporation.

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#90305p2181 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Kelley Oil & Gas Partners, Ltd. (AMEX: KLY), declared today a third quarter distribution of $0.45 per unit on 9,828,659 outstanding units compared to a distribution of $0.32 per unit on 9,267,869 outstanding units for the comparable quarter in 1989. The distribution is payable on Nov. 20, 1990, to unitholders of record on Nov. 13, 1990.

CONTACT: Bromley DeMeritt, executive VP, 212-838-6070, or Fran Gomulka, 713-652-5200, both of Kelley Oil & Gas Partners

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#90305p2182 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAKLAND, CA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corporation and the United Steelworkers of America jointly announced that they have reached tentative agreement on a new master labor contract covering about 3,500 Kaiser employees at six U.S. locations.

Kaiser Aluminum is a subsidiary of MAXXAM Inc. (AMEX: MXM). The new contract would extend for four years, taking effect on November 1 and running through Oct. 31, 1994. It would, among other things:

-- Increase base pay by 50 cents an hour in the first year and by 50 cents an hour in the fourth year;
-- Increase the pension multiplier;
-- Provide a signing bonus of $1,000;
-- Continue a bonus plan tied to the price of metal; and
-- Introduce a managed health care program.

In a joint statement, Kaiser Aluminum Vice President for Industrial Relations

Ron Radakovich and USWA negotiating committee chairman Robert Petris said, "This proposed contract shows what can and should result from tough, fair-minded collective bargaining. It addresses the most important priorities of the union-represented employees and helps preserve the competitiveness of the company in the markets it serves."

Kaiser Aluminum President A. S. Hutchcraft, Jr. said, "The parties worked hard to craft a fair and equitable contract, and we believe this proposal meets the needs of all concerned."

Details of the proposed contract will be covered in report meetings. A ratification vote is expected to be completed by the end of next week.

The USWA/Kaiser master contract covers aluminum smelters located at Mead and Tacoma, Wash.; a sheet and plate rolling mill at Trentwood, Wash.; an alumina refinery at Gramercy, La.; a rod/bar/wire plant at Newark, Ohio; and a coil coating facility at Toledo, Ohio.

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#90305p2185 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, NY (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM (NYSE: IBM) today announced the availability of feature enhancements for DisplayWrite 5 (A) that include decreased random access memory (RAM) requirements and support for low-end personal computers.

DisplayWrite 5 will now run on an IBM Personal Computer XT (A) (PCXT) (A), IBM Personal System/2 (A) (PS2) (A) Models 25 and 30, or IBM tested compatibles with an 8086 or 8088 microprocessor supported through 3.5-inch 720 Kb diskettes. In addition, DisplayWrite 5 will now run on an IBM Personal System/1 (A) (PS/1) (A).

DisplayWrite 5, Modification 2 also offers customers an improved installation procedure and upgraded documentation for operating the product on a local area network (LAN).

The RAM required for users to run DisplayWrite 5 has been reduced from 422 Kb to 384 Kb. The RAM required for users to install the program, and to perform Graphics Mode View and Print, and Background Print, has also been reduced.

DisplayWrite 5, Modification 2 offers customers split screen and Graphics Mode View and Print when DisplayWrite 5 is run on a system attached to an Application System/400 (A) (AS/400) (A). Users can now re-size images and graphics with DisplayWrite 5.

New printers now supported include the Personal System/1 (A) (PS/1) (A) printer and the IBM ExecJet (A). In addition, the IBM Workstation Program 1.12 and 3270 Emulation Program 3.05 are now supported.

Licensed users of DisplayWrite 5 can obtain the enhancements at no additional charge by calling the product support center, 800-237-5511. Upgrades for licensed users of DisplayWrite 1, 2, 3, 4 or 4 Version 2 are available at a suggested price of $95. To order upgrades from earlier versions or for more information regarding DisplayWrite, users can call 800-IBM-7699.

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#90305p2188 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The executive committee of the board of directors of Contel Corp. (NYSE: CTC) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 27.5 cents per common share payable Nov. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

This represents an annual dividend of $1.10 per common share. All per share amounts reflect the two-for-one stock split which became effective on Aug. 16, 1989.

Contel, a company with more than $3 billion in revenues and sales, provides a broad range of telecommunications products and services.

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#90305p2189 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Exxon Company, U.S.A. today announced new, cleaner burning winter formulations of Exxon Supreme and Exxon Plus gasolines to help improve air quality. The products will be available in Virginia, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, and Boston areas.

Exxon Supreme and Plus both provide smooth engine performance and less pollution during winter months when cold engines create more carbon monoxide. Carbon monoxide emissions are reduced by the addition of MTBE, an oxygen containing additive. The gasolines are also lower in volatility to reduce smog producing hydrocarbon emissions.

Earlier this year Exxon introduced oxygenated formulations in the New York and Greater Hartford areas where carbon monoxide emissions are a year round problem.

Exxon marketing vice president, Gord Thomson, said, "We estimate that these winter blends will reduce carbon monoxide emissions by four to seven percent. The product is currently being manufactured at our refineries and will be available in the coming weeks." Although the new gasolines will cost more to produce, Exxon's wholesale prices will remain competitive with other gasolines in the marketplace.

"Customers can expect excellent performance from the new gasolines. Both products have Exxon's advanced formula engine cleaning detergent additive. Further, the octane rating will remain unchanged at 93 for Supreme and 89 for Plus," assures Thomson.

Thomson emphasized Exxon's continued commitment to provide products to help meet the nation's air quality needs. Exxon first introduced reformulated gasolines last summer. "With products currently available in more than 50 markets, Exxon is the leading producer of gasolines reformulated to reduce pollution."

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#90305p2190 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter-Wallace, Inc. (NYSE: CAR) today announced the introduction of Trojan-Enz Large, the larger-sized Trojan(R) Brand condom. Designed to provide greater comfort to condom users, Trojan-Enz Large condoms are 15 percent wider and six percent longer than standard condoms and are tapered at the base for a secure fit.

"Consumer research indicated that over 70 percent of men could be more comfortable with a larger condom," said Mark Klein, vice president of marketing, Trojan products. "We firmly believe that by satisfying this real consumer need for increased comfort, we will be one step further in the fight to control unwanted pregnancies and the spread of sexually transmitted diseases.

"Trojan Brand condoms are the number one selling condom brand in the country with over 50 percent of the market," said Klein. "Trojan-Enz Large is a larger-sized version of Trojan-Enz, which is the number one selling condom product in America, with over 26 percent of the market."

Supported with the largest advertising budget in the condom category, the Trojan-Enz Large campaign will include a print advertising campaign in such publications as Playboy, GQ, Rolling Stone, Penthouse, and Muscle & Fitness.

Spot radio advertising will further support the product introduction in 30 markets across the country, including top college markets.

Carter-Wallace is a New York based marketer and manufacturer of toiletries, pharmaceuticals, diagnostic specialties, proprietary drugs, and pet products.

CONTACT: Ann Cervenka or Linda Davey, (214) 443-9901, for Carter-Wallace.

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#90305p2191 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Capital Holding Corporation (NYSE: CPH) today reported third quarter operating earnings, excluding realized investment gains and losses and related deferred acquisition cost amortization, of $63.4 million, or $1.32 per common share. This represents a 14.8 percent increase over the $1.15 per common share reported for the same period last year.

For the nine months, the company had operating results of $177.6 million, or $3.68 per common share, an increase of 16.8 percent over the $3.15 per common share reported for the first nine months of 1989.

Realized investment losses, net of tax and related deferred acquisition cost amortization, were $.27 per common share for the third quarter of 1990, and $1.54 per common share for the nine months, versus gains of $.53 per common share and $1.00 per common share, respectively, during the same periods one year ago.

Realized investment gains and losses are a direct result of the company's active management of its investment portfolios, which produces realized gains and losses, depending on the movement of interest rates. There were no securities or mortgage loan losses in the third quarter reported results.

Net income, including realized investment losses and related deferred acquisition cost amortization, was $51.0 million, or $1.05 per common share for the third quarter of 1990. This compares to $78.5 million, or $1.68 per common share for the same period one year ago.

Net income for the nine months was $106.4 million, or $2.14 per common share, versus $194.7 million, or $4.15 per common share reported for last year's first nine months before the change in accounting principle for retiree benefits.

"We're continuing to produce excellent operating results," said Irving W. Bailey II, Capital Holding chairman, president and chief executive officer. "Fears of asset problems have driven stock prices of many insurance and financial services companies ever lower during recent months," Bailey said.

"Capital Holding repositioned its asset portfolios several years ago,

upgrading quality in anticipation of a deteriorating economy. As a result, we're in an excellent position to weather this uncertain economic environment " he said.

Normalized net income, which averages realized capital gains and losses over ten years, was $182.3 million, or $3.78 per common share for the nine months, up 16.3 percent from 1989. Normalized return on equity was 17.1 percent for the first nine months of 1990.

CONTACT: Steve Wilson, (502) 560-2723, or Bonnie Otto, (502) 560-3019, both of Capital Holding Corporation.

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#90305p2192 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE SUCCESS, NY (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Tambrands Inc. (NYSE: TMB) announced today that it has acquired the digital tampon manufacturing operation of Thueringische Faser AG in Schwarza, Germany ("TFS"). Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Tambrands' Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Martin F.C. Emmett said, "Our primary corporate mission is to be the leading supplier of all types of tampons in each market we serve on a worldwide basis. The acquisition of German manufacturing capacity and know-how from TFS will permit us to enter the important digital tampon market in Europe. Tambrands intends to play a significant role in this category."

On a worldwide basis, digital or non-applicator tampons represent a market of approximately $400 million at retail. Tambrands' Tampax tampon is the world's leading brand of applicator tampons, but Tambrands does not currently manufacture a digital tampon.

Tambrands is a multinational manufacturer and marketer of personal care products, including Tampax(R) tampons and Maxithins(R) sanitary pads.

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#90305p2194 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DRESHER, PA. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert W. Ross has joined Selas Corporation of America (AMEX: SLS) as vice president-treasurer, replacing Kenneth T. Joyce who resigned earlier, Stephen F. Ryan, president and chief executive officer, announced today.

Ross, 42, was formerly with the Liggett Group, Grand Metropolitan PLC, as vice president-controller of its subsidiary, Alpo Petfoods, Allentown, Pa.

He is a cum laude graduate of Pace University and spent seven years with Arthur Young and Co., an international firm of certified public accountants, before joining the Liggett Group.

Ross is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants. He is a resident of Allentown.

Selas is an international design, development, engineering and manufacturing company.

CONTACT: Stephen F. Ryan, president and CEO of Selas Corporation of America, 215-283-8400

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#90305p2200 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Napier International Technologies Inc. (Vancouver: NIR.V) said today in a preliminary review of its first operating quarter that the company will report sales revenues of $794,281 for the three month period that ended Oct. 31.

Napier president Andrew Murray said that the demand from B.C. lumber producers for Timbercote, the company's new anti-sapstain product, has exceeded Napier's earlier projections.

Murray said that 10 sawmills were on-line at the end of October and that an additional four already are scheduled for start-up in November. The company earlier had projected one sawmill start-up in its first operating quarter, and 30 by the end of its first fiscal year, he noted.

Napier received its Agriculture Canada permit to market Timbercote commercially in late July and recorded July-August sales revenue of $84,000. Sales grew to $272,000 in September and $438,000 in October.

Murray said the company expects to report a profit for its first operating quarter when its formal statements for the period are completed.

Timbercote is a proprietary, environmentally-friendly chemical treatment that protects fresh cut lumber from attack by various fungi. It replaces polychlorophenols or PCP's and other treatments that have been found to be toxic.

The company is focusing its initial marketing efforts in B.C. and expects to expand into Washington and Oregon early in 1991.

Murray said the company also is responding to requests for technical data on Timbercote from government agencies and private companies in several offshore

markets including Brazil, Chile, Finland and Poland.

The company recently has doubled the production capacity of its plant near Langley and is considering further expansion to meet the increasing demand, he said.

CONTACT: Bob Swenarchuk of Napier International Technologies Inc., 604-669-2290

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#90305p2204 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Orexana Corporation (NASDAQ: XXAU) today reported higher operating results for its second quarter and six month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the second quarter, Orexana reported net income of $239,452, or $.03 per share on revenues of $24,578,238. This compares with net income of $150,476, or $.02 per share, on revenues of $52,277,119 in the second quarter period a year ago. For the six months, Orexana reported net income of $305,119, or $.04 per share on revenues of $38,414,431. This compares with net income of $199,303, or $.02 per share, on revenues of $97,763,493 in the same period a year ago.

Duvan Arboleda, chairman, announced that Orexana's diversification program into other areas of the precious metals business which have potentially higher gross profit margins appear to be on target as the company's gross margin as a percentage of sales increased from approximately 1.0 percent for the six month period ended Sept. 30, 1989 to 3.3 percent for the six month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Orexana Corporation is a wholesale dealer engaged in the purchase, sale, delivery and refining of gold and silver from wholesale dealers and consolidators to refiners and wholesale dealers in the U.S.A. and in Latin America.

OREXANA CORPORATION
STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended Sept. 30,		Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$38,414,431	$97,763,493	$24,578,238	$52,277,119
Pre-Tax Income	540,119	336,823	426,352	258,536
Provision for Taxes	235,000	137,520	186,900	108,060
Net Income	$305,119	$199,303	$239,452	$150,476
Net Income Per Share	$0.04	$0.02	$0.03	$0.02
Weighted Average				

Number of Shares Outstanding	6,883,889	9,554,671	6,883,889	9,729,609

CONTACT: Duvan Arboleda or Daisy Puns of Orexana Corporation, 305-624-8882.

-30- 2323

#90305p2205 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST AURORA, NY (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Fisher-Price today announced that it is conducting a safety campaign involving approximately 975,000 Fisher-Price car seats. These seats were manufactured from April 1985 through August 1985 and from May 1987 through January 1989 and require modification by consumers.

Car seats (Model No. 9100) manufactured from April 1985 through August 1985 contain shields which could break during use.

Some car seats (Model Nos. 9100 and 9101) manufactured from May 1987 through January 1989 could have shields which are difficult to latch due to a cracked plastic part on the inside of the buckle. This condition can make it difficult to buckle the shield.

Fisher-Price is providing new shields to consumers who own car seats manufactured during these time periods. The company is urging consumers with affected car seats to call Fisher-Price toll-free at 800-527-1034 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. or write: Consumer Affairs Department A, Fisher-Price, 636 Girard Ave., East Aurora, NY 14052. Consumers should check the small label on the back of the car seat to determine the date of manufacture and should have the car seat nearby when calling Fisher-Price.

Seats should not be returned to the stores where they were purchased. Fisher-Price strongly recommends that consumers continue using the seat until the replacement shield arrives and that they make certain the buckle is securely latched by listening for a click and pulling up on the shield.

In addition, Fisher-Price is announcing that the button located on the shoulder belt of car seats (Model Nos. 9100 and 9101) can be removed. Consumers have reported that in some instances children have placed the button in their mouths.

Fisher-Price has received a small number of complaints regarding this button coming off. The company is, therefore, urging consumers to periodically inspect the button by trying to pull it apart and if the button separates they should discard it. Consumers who remove the button or whose car seat has no button are urged to call the company toll-free at 800-527-1034 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. or write: Consumer Affairs Department A, Fisher-Price, 636 Girard Ave., East Aurora, NY 14052, to obtain a new button.

The company emphasized that a loose or missing button in no way affects the

crashworthiness of the car seat. Again, as with the shield problem, Fisher-Price urges consumers to continue using the car seat until they receive a new button or shield.

CONTACT: Carol Blackley of Fisher-Price, 716-687-3423

-30- 2769

#90305p2206 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

FLAT ROCK, MI (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Mazda Motor Corporation (MC) announced that Osamu Nobuto has stepped down as chairman of Mazda Motor Manufacturing (USA) Corporation (MMUC), effective today, Nov. 1.

Nobuto, a senior managing director of MC, MMUC's parent company, served as MMUC's first president beginning May 1985. He became chairman of MMUC upon returning to Japan in March 1990. In June, he was placed in charged of Mazda's worldwide purchasing activities, to which he will now devote his full attention.

"MMUC is now well-established under the leadership of Mr. Masahiro Uchida and I am now turning my full attention to my duties with respect to Mazda's worldwide purchasing activities," said Nobuto.

"My resignation as chairman in no way means that I am terminating my association with MMUC or the U.S. Rather, my purchasing responsibilities will allow those relationships to continue, from the standpoint of increasing Mazda's purchases from U.S. suppliers."

"All of us at MMUC are thankful for Mr. Nobuto's many years of dedication and leadership," said Uchida, president of MMUC. "He played a critical role in the launching of Mazda's manufacturing operations in the U.S. and laid the foundation for our growth and success."

No replacement is planned at this time. Uchida continues as president of MMUC, which is based in Flat Rock. Uchida also serves as a managing director of the parent company.

Osamu Nobuto, 58, joined Mazda Motor Corporation (then Toyo Kogyo) in 1959 as a chassis design engineer. He was elected to Mazda's Board of Directors in January 1980, and named president of MMUC in May 1985. Nobuto became senior managing director in 1988, before being named chairman of MMUC in March 1990.

Masahiro Uchida, 55, joined Mazda Motor Corporation in 1957. He was elected a member of the Board of Directors in January 1985. Uchida had been appointed executive vice president of MMUC in May 1985 and managing director of MC in January 1989, before being named president of MMUC in March 1990.

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-30- 2318

#90305p2207 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANCHESTER, N.H. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - BankEast Corporation (NASDAQ: BENHQ) today reported a loss for the third quarter of $8,329,000, equal to a loss of 70 cents per share. This compares to net income of $134,000 or 1 cent per share for the third quarter of 1989. The 1990 third quarter loss resulted primarily from a provision for potential loan losses totaling $8,285,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, BankEast reported a loss of $16,943,000, equal to a loss of $1.42 per share. The loss for the first nine months of 1989 was $11,231,000 or 94 cents per share.

At Sept. 30, 1990, non-performing loans (excluding restructured loans) totaled $64.8 million, up from $52.6 million at the end of the second quarter. Non-performing assets (including non-performing loans, other real estate owned or in process of foreclosure, and restructured loans) totaled $93.3 million or 13.41 percent of total loans and other real estate owned, up from $81.5 million or 11.38 percent at the end of the second quarter. The company's current allowance for loan losses is $24,469,000, representing 3.63 percent of net loans and 34.28 percent of non-performing loans, including restructured loans. Net charge-offs for the quarter totaled $3.9 million and $14.4 million for the first nine months.

"The third quarter increase in non-performing assets is indicative of continued weakness in local real estate markets," said W.N. DeWitt, chairman and chief executive officer of the company. "We remain focused on expense control programs, continuing to achieve consolidations where appropriate, and paying close attention to working with customers to resolve their problem loans."

Equity capital totaled 3.84 percent of total assets on Sept. 30, compared to 4.54 percent at the end of the second quarter and 5.05 percent at the end of the first quarter. Primary capital at the end of the third quarter totaled 6.40 percent of total assets, compared to 6.53 percent on June 30, 1990 and 7.08 percent on March 31, 1990.

As previously reported, the holding company has filed voluntary Chapter 11 reorganization proceedings to protect the company from the demands of two out-of-state noteholders. This action was prompted when the noteholders filed suit against the holding company on Oct. 5, seeking to secure $13 million in subordinated debentures issued by BankEast Corporation in 1988.

"As far as BankEast depositors and other customers are concerned, it continues to be business as usual. The holding company intends to file a plan of reorganization promptly, come out of Chapter 11, and pay all our creditors,' said DeWitt.

BankEast Corporation is a New Hampshire-based holding company with $954 million in assets.

BANKEAST CORPORATION
Selected Financial Information
(Dollars in thousands, except per share)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net interest income	$8,785	$9,917
Provision for possible loan losses	$8,285	$1,410
Non-interest income:		
Core	$2,901	$3,456
Non-core (a)	$184	$249
Non-interest expense	$11,949	$12,170
Income taxes (benefit)	($35)	($92)
Net income (loss)	($8,329)	$134
Earnings (loss) per share:		
Primary	(70 cents)	1 cent
Fully diluted	(70 cents)	1 cent
Average shares outstanding:		
Primary	11,897,000	11,898,000
Fully diluted	11,897,000	11,939,000
Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net interest income	$27,605	$31,889
Provision for possible loan losses	$17,724	$15,869
Non-interest income:		
Core	$9,389	$10,070
Non-core (a)	$501	($25)
Non-interest expense	$36,817	$37,425
Income taxes (benefit)	($103)	($129)
Net loss	($16,943)	($11,231)
Loss per share:		
Primary	($1.42)	(94 cents)
Fully diluted	($1.42)	(94 cents)
Average shares outstanding:		
Primary	11,894,000	11,892,000
Fully diluted	11,894,000	11,892,000 Period end:
Total assets	$954,479	$1,123,370
Loans, net	$673,842	$763,574
Real estate acquired or in process of foreclosure	$21,939	$3,902
Deposits	$704,472	$858,048
Borrowings	$202,281	$186,752
Shareholders' equity	$36,616	$65,989 ----

NOTE: (a) Non-core non-interest income includes gains on sales of securities, gains on sales of loans and servicing, net, and for the nine months of 1989

the write-down of minority interest investment.

CONTACT: David Blake, senior vice president of BankEast, 603-624-6098

-30- 5416

#90305p2209 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OH (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Iams Company, a manufacturer of high-nutrition pet foods, has received an award from the American Institute of Baking (AIB) for its "superior" manufacturing operations, the company recently announced.

Iams' plants in Aurora, Neb. and Lewisburg, Ohio were judged superior by the AIB for plant sanitation, quality control, pest control, personnel practices and for the company's plans and programs to maintain its high standards in the future.

Iams became part of the AIB's voluntary inspection program in 1989. "It's an honor to win this prestigious award," said Iams Vice President for Manufacturing John Polson. "It's unusual for a company to receive the superior rating after just one year in the AIB program. We're quite proud that both plants were so highly rated."

A third Iams plant is under construction in Henderson, N.C. and will participate in the AIB program when it begins operations in 1991. On a rating scale of 1-1,000, only 19 percent of the processing plants evaluated by the AIB receive the 900 or more points required for the superior rating.

The 44-year-old Iams Company manufactures premium dog and cat foods under the Iams and Eukanuba brand names. Annual sales for the 500-employee company have grown from $10 million to more than $200 million since 1982.

Iams and Eukanuba products are sold exclusively in specialty outlets such as pet stores, pet supply stores, feed stores, kennels and veterinary clinics in all 50 states, Canada, and many countries abroad.

CONTACT: Tim Gibbons of Piecuch Communications, (513) 296-0200, for The Iams Company.

-30- 1825

#90305p2211 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - John B. Baines, Chairman of the Board, of Seaboard Savings and Loan Association ("Association") (NASDAQ: SEAB) and Seaboard Bancorp, Inc. ("SBI"), announced today that the Association consummated its conversion to a federally chartered savings bank (the "Savings Bank"), its reorganization, and the formation of a savings and loan holding company on October 31, 1990.

Mr. Baines stated that the Association's common stock is now wholly owned by SBI, and each share of common stock of the Association previously outstanding is now deemed to represent one share of common stock of SBI, the new holding company.

The common stock of SBI is now listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "SEAB," the symbol previously used for the Association's common stock.

The reorganization was approved by the stockholders of the Association at the 1990 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Mr. Baines stated that "the Conversion to a federal savings bank will assist in controlling expenses and will be an asset for the marketing of our services to our customers." He added that "the reorganization into a holding company form will provide the Savings Bank with greater flexibility in responding to future financial needs, increase the Savings Bank's ability to compete effectively with other institutions in its market area, and will permit expansion into a broader range of financial services and other business activities."

The Savings Bank provides mortgage and retail banking services principally in the Hampton Roads area of Virginia. Headquartered in Virginia Beach, Virginia Seaboard has five offices, two in Virginia Beach, one in Chesapeake, one in Norfolk, and one in Portsmouth. Currently Seaboard Bancorp has approximately 900 stockholders and 891,184 shares of stock outstanding. At September 30, 1990, total assets were approximately $107 million.

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-30- 2190

#90305p2216 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Three of TI Group's aerospace machining and flash butt welded businesses have just signed a series of five-year agreements with General Electric to supply engine ring components valued at $160 million, the company announced today. Deliveries will begin in 1991.

Fourteen million dollars of the orders are for rings shaped by TI Group's unique Tru-Form process. This rolls rings nearer the required shape than any other method can achieve, so saving high value strategic materials.

The companies concerned, part of TI Aerospace, are King Fifth Wheel and Valley Manufacturing, both based in Pennsylvania, and NCI Inc., North Carolina. All are long-term suppliers to General Electric and have been working closely with GE on Supplier Excellence Programs.

CONTACT: Mark Radcliffe, 0235-555570, or John Hutchings, 071-499-9131, both of

TI Group in London; or Norman Askew, president of TI Aerospace, 0101-717-474-6371.

-30- 1137

#90305p2217 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: LMTS) (LMT) announced today that Jean-Louis Gassee and John H. Meyer have agreed to stand for election to the board of directors of the Eden Prairie, Minn.-based technology company. The election of the board of directors will take place at the company's annual meeting to be held on Dec. 6, 1990.

Gassee is currently chairman and CEO of Be Labs, Inc. of San Mateo, Calif., developer of personal computer technologies. As a nine-year veteran of Apple Computers, Inc., Gassee was president of Apple Products Division, where he directed Apple's global product functions, including product marketing, worldwide manufacturing and research and development. Previously, he had started and directed Apple's French subsidiary, which became and remains Apple's largest business unit outside the United States. Gassee was the key Apple executive responsible for the accord between Apple and Microsoft Corporation, which aimed at replacing the Adobe Postscript page description language with the TrueImage page description language developed by Microsoft. Before joining Apple, Gassee had senior management positions with Exxon Office Systems and Data General Corporation. He is currently a director of Cray Computer Corporation.

Meyer is president of DLJ Software, Inc. of Salinas, Calif. He was president and cofounder of Ventura Software, Inc., which developed and promoted the Ventura Publisher desktop publishing program as a standard for performance in the publishing industry. Meyer and his partners sold Ventura Software to Xerox Corporation in early 1990. Prior to that, Meyer was director of marketing for Digital Research Corporation.

Mel Masters, CEO of LaserMaster, described the additions to LaserMaster's board as highly significant: "With the vast personal and professional experience and success Mr. Gassee and Mr. Meyer bring to LaserMaster, we have access to an important resource in our continuing growth. Between them, they have helped shape the desktop and electronic publishing industries, a role we expect they will continue to play through LaserMaster."

LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets laser printer and display systems and subsystems for high quality electronic printing and desktop publishing applications. LMT's products include high performance printer controllers, plain-paper desktop typesetters and integrated electronic publishing systems which feature the company's proprietary TurboRes(TM) resolution enhancement technology.

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-30- 2845

#90305p2218 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAIPEI, TAIWAN (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Bell Atlantic International and the Directorate General of Telecommunications (DGT) of the Republic of China today signed an agreement to join in a broad range of cooperative activities.

The companies agreed to work together to explore specific marketing opportunities and research programs as well as personnel and information exchanges in areas of mutual interest.

Bell Atlantic International and DGT also said they would explore other business activities worldwide to identify joint investment and development opportunities.

Earlier this year, Bell Atlantic (NYSE: BEL) signed a similar agreement with the Korean Telecommunications Authority.

Bell Atlantic is a U.S.-based information and communications company with 1989 revenues of more than US$11 billion and assets of more than US$26 billion.

Bell Atlantic's telephone companies serve more than 17 million customer lines in the mid-Atlantic region of the United States. Other subsidiaries provide cellular mobile communications, computer, financial and leasing services in U.S. and international markets.

Outside of North America, Bell Atlantic has investments or operations in 11 countries. Its activities include joint ownership of New Zealand Telecom and joint ventures to provide cellular mobile and packet data networks in Czechoslovakia.

DGT, the national telecommunications provider of the Republic of China, serves more than 7 million access lines. At the end of February 1990, DGT had revenues of US$2.2 billion and assets of US$9.6 billion.

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-30- 1806

#90305p2220 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISON, N.J. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Lechters, Inc. (NASDAQ: LECH) today reported sales of $12.4 million for the four-week period ended Oct. 27, 1990, an increase of 24 percent over sales of $10.0 million during the comparable period in 1989. The company's comparable store sales increased 1.6 percent during October 1990 as compared with the comparable period in 1989.

The company also reported sales of $113.3 million for the 39 weeks ended Oct.

27, 1990, representing an increase of 21 percent over sales of $93.7 million for comparable period in 1989. Year to date through Oct. 27, 1990, the company's comparable store sales increased 0.7 percent.

Lechters, Inc., based in Harrison, operates 351 specialty houseware stores in 33 states as compared to 288 stores on Oct. 28, 1989, an increase of 22 percent. The company plans to open 12 new stores during the balance of the year.

Accordingly, the company expects to have 363 stores in operation by the end of its fiscal year in January 1991 as compared with 297 stores in operation at the end of its fiscal year in January 1990, resulting from 71 store openings and five store closings during such fiscal year.

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-30- 1418

#90305p2222 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

FLAT ROCK, MI (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Mazda Motor Corporation was honored today as a corporation contributing to improved international trade by the Japanese Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI). A ceremony was held at the official Prime Minister's Residence in Tokyo, attended by Prime Minister Kaifu, MITI Minister Muto and other high-ranking officials. Osamu Nobuto, senior managing director, Mazda Motor Corporation, attended the function and accepted the commendation.

This marks the eighth year of the award, which was initiated in 1983 to recognize outstanding corporate contributions to improving the international trade balance by increasing imports to Japan. Fourteen other companies (including Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd., and JUSCO CO., LTD.) also received the commendation this year.

Mazda announced in October 1989 an Import Expansion Program and the company has been actively pursuing increased import levels.

In line with this program, Mazda has been importing Ford vehicles, including Ford cars produced by Mazda's U.S. plant, and Citroen and Lancia models, as well as parts materials from overseas sources. In fiscal 1990 (from April 1989 through March 1990), Mazda achieved a total import value level of $466 million, a 30-percent increase over the previous term's total of $358 million; fiscal 1989's level was up 96 percent over 1988's $183 million, which represented a 62-percent gain over 1987's $113.1 million. Such efforts and achievements have earned Mazda the commendation from MITI.

In July of last year, Mazda introduced streamlined parts and vehicles distribution and logistics systems in North America to improve the efficiency of exporting to Japan. For example, suppliers can transfer their parts to one

of two regional Consolidation Centers, in Detroit and Los Angeles. Mazda (North America), Inc.(a) deals with all procedures for exporting and shipping to Japan, freeing the suppliers from this responsibility.

Significant efforts are also being made to expand and promote joint development from the early stages with overseas parts suppliers. In line with this, Mazda Research and Development of North America, Inc. (MRA), has recently expanded its Flat Rock facilities to include testing and development operations for locally sourced parts. The $1.5 million facility, which uses sophisticated testing equipment procured from U.S. manufacturers, will help increase the use of local parts at Mazda's U.S. production plant in Flat Rock. It will also help increase the export of parts to be used for production in Japan.

Mazda sent a joint R&D/Purchasing representative delegation to a one-on-one meeting between U.S. suppliers and Japanese manufacturers, held in April this year, in Las Vegas, Nev.

Following this meeting, Mazda's representatives had an opportunity to visit the facilities of some 20 North American suppliers. Mazda plans to intensify its overseas survey activities in order to develop increased import opportunities around the world.

(a) -- Mazda Motor Corporation's subsidiary in the United States.

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-30- 3397
#90305p2228 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir announced today it would introduce daily nonstop flights from Philadelphia to two new destinations -- Daytona Beach and Melbourne, Fla., on Jan. 8.

"We continue to look for growth opportunities at Philadelphia International Airport," said Randall Malin, USAir executive vice president - marketing. "With these new flights USAir and our USAir Express affiliates will increase their Philadelphia departures to 258 per day."

Flights to Daytona Beach will leave Philadelphia at 8:40 a.m. and arrive at 11:19 a.m. From Daytona Beach, flights will depart at 12:40 p.m. and arrive Philadelphia at 2:57 p.m.

To Melbourne, flights will depart at 1:30 p.m. and arrive Melbourne at 4:15 p.m. The flight from Melbourne to Philadelphia will depart at 5:45 p.m. and arrive here at 8:03 p.m.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, 703-418-5100 or

213-417-1294 (Western Region)

-30- 1090

#90305p2232 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - GWC Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: GWCC) today reported consolidated net income of $4,609,000, or 46 cents per share, on revenues of $26,643,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to net income of $4,753,000, or 48 cents per share, on revenues of $26,161,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $11,428,000, or $1.14 per share, on revenues of $72,715,000, compared to net income of $12,172,000, or $1.22 per share, on revenues of $72,228,000 during the comparable period of 1989.

Operating income during the third quarter of 1990 increased $1,055,000 as compared to the third quarter of 1989, in part due to an increase in the volume of water sold by the utility operations. However, this was offset by lower income from asset sales in 1990 (the third quarter of 1989 included income from the sale of a parcel of land), increased interest expense and higher income tax expense in 1990. Operating income during the first nine months of 1990 increased $980,000 compared to the comparable period in 1989, as higher volumes of water sold and rate increases offset higher operating expenses. However, higher interest expense and income taxes more than offset the operating income increase, causing net income to be lower than last year.

GWC Corp., headquartered in Wilmington, is a water utility holding company that is also engaged in non-regulated activities. Its major subsidiary, General Waterworks Corp., owns 34 regulated utility subsidiaries operating in 14 states. The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "GWCC." There are 10 million shares of common stock currently outstanding.

CONTACT: Lewis R. Masotti, senior vice president of GWC Corp., 302-633-5918

-30- 1997

#90305p2236 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Roto-Rooter, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROTO) has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 11 cents per share on its common stock, payable on Dec. 10, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 23, 1990.

Through its 64 company-owned operations and approximately 650 independent franchises, Roto-Rooter, Inc. is the largest nationally recognized provider of sewer and drain cleaning services in the United States. The company, headquartered in Cincinnati, also offers plumbing repair services, industrial

and municipal pipe cleaning services, and consumer products.

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-30- 844

#90305p2237 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MICH. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Charles Gelman, chairman and CEO of Ann Arbor-based Gelman Sciences Inc. (AMEX: GSC) is claiming that Dow Chemical Company's recent motion to cancel subpoenas requiring the depositions of key Dow executives later this year is an attempt by Dow to avoid responsibility for the 1,4-dioxane contamination in Scio Township, Mich.

In January 1988, Gelman Sciences sued Dow Chemical and others who manufactured and sold Gelman Sciences the 1,4-dioxane that Gelman Sciences used in its manufacturing process. In February 1988, the Michigan DNR sued Gelman Sciences for 1,4-dioxane contamination of groundwater surrounding its Scio Township manufacturing facilities. Gelman Sciences had disposed of its waste water, including 1,4-dioxane, through a biodegradation process in compliance with permits issued by the DNR. Gelman Sciences claims that Dow Chemical and the other defendants never disclosed that 1,4-dioxane does not biodegrade.

Dow Chemical has represented to the public and the business community that it has a policy of stewarding its products from "cradle to grave," including disposal.

"Apparently Dow Chemical and other manufacturers are willing to claim they are responsible for disposal if it helps sales, but deny responsibility if a problem actually develops," said Charles Gelman. "Dow Chemical has been promoting its chemical stewardship program since the early 1970s. We intend to make Dow Chemical and the other companies who concealed vital information about 1,4-dioxane answer for their irresponsible actions."

Charles Gelman said that he believes Dow Chemical is deceiving the public and its customers. "Dow Chemical basically admitted culpability when they and other suppliers recently paid $100,000 to settle claims made against them by Scio Township residents for 1,4-dioxane contamination. Dow Chemical contends that Gelman Sciences should have known that its treatment method would not work on 1,4-dioxane. But, at the Dow Chemical plant where 1,4-dioxane was manufactured, Dow used a similar method to treat its own waste waters containing 1,4-dioxane."

Charles Gelman said he will not stand by and allow Dow Chemical to use its size and corporate weight to sidestep its responsibilities in this matter. "I believe that Gelman Sciences is being offered up as a sacrificial lamb and, on behalf of our 750 worldwide employees, I will not stand by idly."

On Wednesday, Washtenaw Circuit Court Judge Patrick J. Conlin will rule on a

motion from Dow Chemical that will determine whether Dow Chemical executives should testify later this year.

CONTACT: Robert L. Buker of Gelman Sciences Inc., 313-668-8404

-30- 2887

#90305p2241 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Southnet Corp. announced today that it has entered into a contract with Holland Commercial Centres B.V. of the Netherlands for distribution rights on Southnet's "World Card" international calling service.

Under the terms of the agreement, H.C.C. will distribute exclusively for Southnet in the Netherlands, Benelux and Denmark. H.C.C. will pay Southnet $225,000 per year for five years to retain their distribution rights.

The company expects to market 40,000 World Cards within the first year of the agreement, with an ultimate goal of over 100,000 cards in the above territories. The company estimates that the agreement will generate over $4 million of annual revenue for Southnet.

H.C.C. will formally launch the World Card program in Holland during the last week of November.

Southnet Corp.'s World Card product provides international travelers with global access to the company's digital telecommunications network. World Card holders can complete calls to any destination worldwide at rates 30-50 percent less than alternative methods. Southnet-Europe Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Southnet Corp., located in London, is currently negotiating similar agreements in nine other territories.

Southnet is a public corporation headquartered in Tampa, Fla. Their stock is traded on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange and the OTC market.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Grant Street National Bank (in Liquidation) has declared a dividend of $4.25 per share on each outstanding share of the bank's senior preferred stock payable Nov. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on that date.

This dividend will be paid by the issue of 9,593 additional shares of Senior Preferred Stock, in lieu of cash. At present, Mellon Bank Corp. (NYSE: MEL) owns all outstanding shares of the senior preferred stock.

No dividend was declared, or is payable, on the bank's common stock which was distributed Nov. 30, 1988, by Mellon Bank to its shareholders of record on Oct. 31, 1988, nor was any dividend declared, or is payable, on Grant Street's outstanding Junior Preferred Stock.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir will inaugurate new nonstop service from Las Vegas to Baltimore/Washington International Airport, one of its primary connecting hubs, on Jan. 8.

"Combined with existing USAir's service to our Pittsburgh hub, the new Baltimore/Washington flights will increase travel options for people flying from Las Vegas," said Randall Malin, USAir executive vice president - marketing.

New nonstop flights to Baltimore/Washington, where USAir and its USAir Express affiliates offer 251 daily departures, will leave Las Vegas at 11:50 a.m. and arrive at 7:29 p.m. Returning to Las Vegas, the flight will depart Baltimore/Washington at 9:30 a.m. and arrive here at noon.

The new service will be operated with 128-passenger Boeing 737 jet aircraft with first and coach class seating.

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DALLAS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Mary Kay Corporation announced today that it had extended to midnight, Nov. 7 the period during which the holders of its 15 percent Discount Debentures could consent to certain proposed amendments to the terms of the debentures and receive a cash payment of $10 per $1,000 principal amount of debentures. The company also extended to midnight, Nov. 7 the period during which tendered bonds would be given priority for purchase in its previously commenced tender offer for up to 71 percent of the debentures. The tender offer remains scheduled to expire at midnight on Nov. 13.

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MORRIS TOWNSHIP, N.J. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied-Signal Inc. (NYSE: ALD) said today it has begun work to double the capacity at its Florange, France automotive catalyst manufacturing plant to 4.5 million units per year. The project is expected to be completed by late 1991.

The highly-automated Florange facility began operation last year and produces catalysts primarily for the European automotive industry. Beginning with model year 1993 all vehicles manufactured in Europe must meet pollution control standards similar to those in the U.S.

"Demand for our product has increased significantly over the last year" said Tom Walker, president of Allied-Signal Automotive Catalyst Company. "We designed this facility so that it could be expanded, but the growth of our business is well ahead of our original estimates. European automobile producers are moving forward very quickly to meet the new emissions standards. Our products, backed by 20 years' experience and our technical support facility in France, have gained excellent acceptance."

"The expansion at Florange is important to keep pace with our customers' needs. We look forward to close working relationships with the European automotive industry as it meets the challenge presented by these new environmental regulations," Walker added.

Allied-Signal Automotive Catalyst Company's current customers include BMW, Fiat, Mercedes, Opel, Peugeot, Porsche and Renault, in Europe, as well as U.S. and Japanese automobile manufacturers.

Allied-Signal Automotive Catalyst Company has its headquarters in Tulsa, Okla. Its European facilities include an Automotive Emissions Laboratory in Toulouse, France as well as marketing offices in Cologne, Germany and Turin, Italy. It is a unit of Allied-Signal Inc., an advanced technology company with businesses in aerospace, automotive products and engineered materials.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph W. Bow, president of the Foodservice & Packaging Institute, released the following comment on the McDonald's announcement on polystyrene foam:

By deciding to phase out some foam packaging, McDonald's is bowing to public pressure that is based on misperceptions and misinformation.

All disposable foodservice products - paper, plastic, foam, or aluminum - have their own advantages. Because communities throughout America are beginning to recycle and compost more of their waste, each of these materials can be

disposed of in an environmentally sound manner.

While all foodservice disposables comprise less than two percent of the volume of our municipal solid waste, they provide consumers with a sanitary and time-saving method of food delivery.

FPI is the national trade association representing manufacturers of both paper and plastic foodservice disposables.

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#90305p2255 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLUTE, TX (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Benchmark Electronics, Inc. (AMEX: BHE) has leased a facility in the Portland, Ore., suburb of Beaverton, it was announced today.

The addition of the facility is the first step in the company's strategy to provide prompt, turnkey printed circuit board assembly services to current and future customers with operations in the western United States. The company also announced a record $15 million backlog of orders as of Oct. 31, 1990.

Benchmark will renovate the Beaverton facility, equipping it with state-of-the-art assembly machinery capable of using both surface-mount and pin-through-hole interconnection technologies.

The facility increases the company's manufacturing capacity in the near term and provides additional space for future capacity expansion as warranted. The company anticipates that the facility will be fully operational in the first quarter of 1991.

"The Beaverton plant addition is part of our long-range plan to provide better service to existing customers and to attract new customers with operations in the western United States," reported President Donald E. Nigbor. "We already have had an outstanding response to the new facility, measured in terms of new orders received from customers in the region."

Due to an increase in bookings from customers in the western United States, as well as orders from new and existing customers, Benchmark had a record $15 million backlog of orders as of Oct. 31, 1990.

"We believe the strong backlog reflects our emphasis on technology and service in particular, our ability to produce high-quality, technologically advanced printed circuit boards and to deliver them to customers on a just-in-time basis," Nigbor stated. "The additional facility will help us maintain the high level of service that is our trademark."

Nigbor will supervise the renovation, equipping and initial operation of the Beaverton facility. Benchmark will use a portion of the net proceeds from its recent initial public offering to pay the costs of leasing, renovating and equipping the facility.

Benchmark Electronics, Inc., provides manufacturing services, specializing in the assembly of printed circuit boards, for original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) in the electronics industry, including manufacturers of communications equipment, business computers, testing equipment, medical devices and industrial instruments. In July 1990, the company completed its initial public offering of 1.1 million shares of common stock

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Northwest Teleproductions, Inc. (NASDAQ: NWTL) has declared a $.09 per share quarterly dividend on the company's common stock. The dividend will be paid on Jan. 3, 1991 to shareholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

Northwest Teleproductions, founded in 1969, is a full service videotape and film production company with facilities located in Minneapolis, Dallas, Kansas City, and Chicago.

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#90305p2259 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLESTON, W.VA. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Key Centurion Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: KEYC) has announced net income of $19.3 million for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 3 percent compared with net income of $18.7 million for the comparable nine months of 1989.

For the third quarter 1990, net income of $6.2 million compared with net income of $6.4 million in the third quarter 1989, a 3 percent difference.

On a per share basis, net income of 93 cents for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared with net income of 92 cents for the comparable nine months of 1989. Net income of 30 cents for third quarter 1990 compared with net income of 31 cents in the third quarter of 1989.

Expenses associated with a bank subsidiary's branch closing in a consolidation of offices reduced third quarter 1990 income compared with third quarter 1989 net income, resulting in a one-time pre-tax charge of $440,000. Consequently,

future occupancy expenses should decline by approximately $300,000 annually, compared with prospective occupancy expenses prior to the branch office consolidation. A pre- tax provision expense increase of $648,000 accounted for the other expense item which reduced the quarter's net income, compared with third quarter 1989 net income.

During the third quarter, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency conducted and completed an examination of Key Centurion's principal bank subsidiaries, which included a special review of the subsidiaries' commercial real estate loans. The examination did not result in any material change in the company's operating results.

Total past due loans and non-performing assets declined $700,000, or 3 percent compared with figures on Sept. 30, 1989. Moreover, compared with the previous quarter and year-end 1989, total past due loans and non-performing assets at Sept. 30, 1990 fell by $960,000 and $6.4 million or 4.6 percent and 24.2 percent respectively.

Consequently, total past due and non-performing assets have declined to 1.59 percent of loans at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with 1.70 percent at the same time a year ago. The comparable figure was 1.73 percent of loans at June 30, 1990, and 2.17 percent at Dec. 31, 1989. These percentage levels are well below those of comparable national average ratios.

The allowance for loan losses increased 18 percent to $17.8 million, or 1.39 percent of net loans, compared with $14.8, or 1.21 percent of net loans at the end of Sept. 30, 1989, primarily as a result of accounting for a merger completed during the quarter.

A. Michael Perry, president and chief executive officer, said, "The public concern about the banking industry has justifiably centered on the composition and quality of the industry's loan portfolios. Our banks have originated loans primarily in their local markets within West Virginia and Kentucky. Consequently," Perry continued, "Key Centurion has no foreign loans, nor highly leveraged loans (HLT loans), and real estate construction loans of all types represent less than 1.5 percent of all loans. Moreover, our loan quality ratios have continued to reflect steady improvement throughout this year."

Marshall T. Reynolds, chairman of Key Centurion, said, "Key Centurion recently gained some additional national recognition for its strong balance sheet, the comparatively low relative risk of its loan portfolio, and the earnings power of the company. Meanwhile," he said, "the state of West Virginia continues to make economic progress as highlighted by the most recent quarterly "Economic Update" of Bell Atlantic Business Research. The report noted that the state economy has not been so sound in over 10 years." Reynolds concluded that the combination of Key Centurion's strengths and the state's economic improvement provides reason for optimism for Key Centurion's financial future.

Key Centurion in April 1990 announced merger agreements with Southern Bankshares Inc. and Spectrum Financial Corp. Southern is a $300 million asset, two-bank holding company located in Beckley, Raleigh County and Oak Hill, in adjacent Fayette County, W.V. Spectrum is also a two-bank holding company located in Wheeling, Ohio County and New Martinsville, Wetzel County, W.Va. with $264 million in assets. Southern and Spectrum are West Virginia's 12th and 14th largest bank holding companies based on year end 1989 results. On a combined pro forma basis, Key Centurion would approach $3 billion in commercial bank assets, $1.3 billion in discretionary trust assets and almost $2 billion in total trust assets with the completion of these two proposed mergers.

Key Centurion has banking subsidiaries with 45 offices in West Virginia and Kentucky, operating as: Cardinal State Bank, NA, Beckley; The Central National Bank of Buckhannon, Buckhannon; Charleston National Bank, Charleston; Union National Bank of West Virginia, Clarksburg; The First Huntington National Bank, Huntington; The Lincoln National Bank of Hamlin, Hamlin; The National Bank of Logan, Logan; Boone National Bank, Madison; First National Bank in Philippi, Philippi; Citizens National of Point Pleasant, Point Pleasant; Citizens National Bank of St. Albans, St. Albans; Nicholas County Bank, Summersville; Wayne County Bank, Wayne; The National Bank of Commerce of Williamson, Williamson, all in West Virginia and First National Bank of Pikeville, Pikeville, Ky.; and Reliable Mortgage Co. with six offices in West Virginia and Maryland.

KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Financial Highlights
$(thousands, except per share data)

Period ended	Three Months		Pct.	Nine Months		Pct.
Sept. 30	1990	1989	Change	1990	1989	Change
Earnings and dividends:						
Net income	$6,159	$6,381	(3.5)	$19,261	$18,695	3.0
Net interest income	24,888	24,061	3.4	73,790	66,511	10.9
Cash dividends on common stock	3,070	2,696	13.9	9,266	7,956	16.5
Per common share:						
Net income	$0.30	$0.31	(3.2)	$0.93	$0.92	1.1
Cash dividends	$0.15	$0.13	15.4	$0.45	$0.39	15.4
Shareholders' equity	$11.82	$11.23	5.3	$11.82	$11.23	5.3
Market price:						
High	12.63	15.00		14.50	15.25	
Low	10.00	12.25		10.00	12.00	
Financial ratios:						
Return on avg. assets (pct.)	1.03	1.09		1.09	1.16	

Return on avg. equity	10.11	10.95	10.77	11.15
Net int. margin	4.81	4.80	4.85	4.80
Period end shares outstand.	20,453,520	20,739,081	20,453,520	20,739,081
Weighted avg. shares outstanding	20,550,000	20,734,000	20,671,000	20,428,000

	Three Months		Pct.
At Sept. 30,	1990	1989	Change
Balance sheet data:			
Assets	$2,394,689	$2,340,783	2.3
Loans	1,254,972	1,224,899	2.5
Deposits	1,960,107	1,904,361	2.9
Shareholders' equity	241,847	232,962	3.8

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SEATTLE (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald E. Petersen, retired chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Ford Motor Co. (NYSE: F) has been elected to membership on the board of directors of The Boeing Company (NYSE: BA).

The announcement was mede by Frank Shrontz, Boeing chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

Petersen retired last March 1. Prior to being elected chairman, he was Ford Motor Co. president from 1980 until 1985. He began his Ford career in 1949.

He is a member of the National Academy of Engineering; co-chairman of the Campaign for Washington, the University of Washington's first major fund drive; and an advisory board member of the Stanford University Graduate School of Business Administration.

Petersen currently serves on the boards of directors for Hewlett Packard Co. and Dow Jones & Co. Inc.

He has a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Washington; a master's degree in business admistration from Stanford University; and a number of honorary degrees.

With the election of Petersen, the Boeing board now consists of 13 members.

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#90305p2263 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
RALEIGH, NC (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Texfi Industries, Inc. (NYSE: TXF) announced today that on Oct. 29 it closed a $40 million credit facility with NCNB National Bank.

The credit facility is composed of $25 million term loan which has been fully funded and a $15 million standby revolving credit line. The term loan is repayable over seven years in quarterly installments. The revolving credit line, as funded, is repayable over five years.

The purpose of the term loan is to retire factor debt incurred principally to fund recent acquisitions and capital improvements. The revolving credit line will provide working capital as needed.

Michael A. Miller, III, executive vice president and CFO, stated that, "With this financing now in place and barring a currently unforeseen deterioration of the company's business, Texfi will be in position to retire its $16 million in outstanding 1987 and 1988B preferred stock in 1991 after such stock becomes redeemable if the company at that time determines such redemptions to be desirable.

"The financing will also provide funds to repay the company's $9.1 million in outstanding 11-1/4 percent convertible subordinated debentures due calendar 1991."

Texfi Industries, Inc. is in the business of manufacturing and marketing various textile and apparel products. Texfi's common stock, preferred stock and debentures are traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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#90305p2264 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
MT. KISCO, NY (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Voltronics Corp. (AMEX: UVL) today reported revenues of $1,914,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, compared with $1,786,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income was $181,000, compared with a loss of $85,000 in last year's first quarter.

"We are very pleased with the company's return to profitability which was primarily the result of the operating efficiencies we implemented last year," said Barry Ressler, president of Universal Voltronics Corp. "At the same time we are experiencing an increase in commercial customers for our high-voltage switching power supplies."

Universal Voltronics designs and manufactures high-voltage power conversion systems for scientific and energy research, industrial, medical and defense applications. Universal Voltronics is a subsidiary of Thermedics Inc. (AMEX: TMD) and Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

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#90305p2267 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEREA, KY (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - PPG Industries' (NYSE: PPG) board chairman and chief executive officer, Vincent A. Sarni, today joined Kentucky and local officials in dedicating the glassmaker's new Berea automotive replacement glass plant.

The Berea plant is PPG's second facility dedicated to production of automotive replacement glass windshields, and will enable PPG to meet future demand.

"About 8 million auto windshields are replaced in the United States each year " Sarni said during the dedication ceremonies. "The number keeps growing every year, because people are keeping and driving their cars longer than ever before.

"The demand for replacement windshields in the United States should grow to at least 10 million units by 1995...and we are determined to have our share of it. We are confident we will, because our windshields are the benchmark of quality in the industry, and we have developed the best distribution system in the business."

Sarni explained PPG's reasons for selecting Berea as the site for its newest automotive replacement glass plant. "The new plant had to be convenient to our North American automotive replacement glass distribution center in Chillicothe Ohio. Every piece of auto replacement glass we manufacture is shipped to Chillicothe, where it is inventoried, and then shipped by truck to distributors and installers in North America.

"Even more important," Sarni noted, "we knew we needed a dedicated and highly motivated work force, and a community where we would be welcome. The Berea area has earned high scores on both those counts."

The PPG executive estimated that about half of the company's annual replacement windshield production will be made at Berea and at another auto replacement glass plant in Greensburg, Pa. The balance will be produced at PPG's six original equipment manufacturing plants, which mainly make windshields and tempered windows for new cars.

The new PPG plant is equipped with the latest state-of-the-art equipment for

producing high-quality windshields.

Pittsburgh-based PPG is North America's largest supplier of automotive replacement glass.

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#90305p2271 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Avon Products Inc. today declared regular quarterly dividends of 25 cents per share on the company's common stock and 50 cents per share on the company's preferred equity-redemption cumulative stock (PERCS).

Both dividends are payable Dec. 3, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 19.

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#90305p2272 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

WORCESTER, MASS. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hanover Insurance Company (NASDAQ: HINS) today reported net income of $37,087,000, or $1.80 per share for the first nine months of 1990, compared to net income of $73,310,000, or $3.55 per share, in 1989. Earnings include a "fresh start" income tax benefit of $2,307,000, (or 11 cents per share) and realized capital gains, net of federal income taxes, of $5,265,000 (or 26 cents per share) in 1990, and "fresh start" income tax benefit of $3,858,000, (or 19 cents per share) and realized capital gains, net of federal income taxes, of $24,210,000, (or $1.17 per share) in 1989.

Year-to-Date Results The company's combined ratio, including policyholders' dividends, was 106.3 percent for 1990 compared to 105.0 percent in 1989. The ratio of losses and loss expenses to net premiums earned was 75.9 percent compared to 74.2 percent in 1989. The ratio of underwriting expenses to net premiums written was 29.6 percent compared to 30.2 percent in 1989. Dividends to policyholders were .8 percent of net premiums earned compared to .6 percent in 1989.

In 1990 net weather-related catastrophes approximated $13.2 million, adding 1.1 points to the combined ratio, compared to $18.9 million in 1989, adding 1.8 points to the combined ratio, $7.5 million of which was Hurricane Hugo.

Beginnning in late 1989, Hanover increased its voluntary writings in the Massachusetts private passenger automobile market in response to recent changes in regulations. This action by the company is intended to reduce its

share of the involuntary assessment of the Commonwealth Automobile Reinsurer deficit. Net premiums written through September 1990, increased 10.8 percent (7.6 percent adjusted for the increase in Massachusetts voluntary writings) to $1,225,663,000 from $1,105,914,000 in 1989 compared to a 0.6 percent decrease for the same period last year. Net premiums earned for the period increased 9.3 percent to $1,156,576,000 from $1,057,881,000 in 1989 compared to a decrease of 1.4 percent for the same period in 1989.

For 1990, the investment portfolio showed a pre-tax net capital loss of $26,715,000 consisting of realized capital gains of $7,977,000, and unrealized capital losses of $34,692,000. In the same period of 1989, the investment portfolio showed a net pre-tax capital gain of $56,320,000 consisting of realized capital gains of $36,682,000, and unrealized capital gains of $19,638,000. In September of 1989 Hanover Insurance liquidated approximately one half of the equity portfolio to limit its exposure to stock market volatility. This resulted in a realized gain on $21.6 million.

Pre-tax net investment income increased 14.7 percent to $128,654,000 from $112,193,000 in 1989. This increase is primarily due to the reallocation of assets from equities to bonds, which produced more interest income in 1990 than dividend income in 1989. This disparity is not expected to continue into the fourth quarter and beyond.

At Sept. 30, 1990, shareholders' equity was $748,433,000 compared to $741,072,000 at the end of 1989. On a per share basis, shareholders' equity as of Sept. 30, 1990 is $36.28 compared to $35.92 at the end of 1989.

Third Quarter Results For the third quarter, net income was $15,020,000 or 73 cents per share, compared to net income of $33,993,000 or $1.65 per share in 1989.

Pre-tax net investment income for the third quarter of 1990 increased 16.1 percent over the comparable period in 1989, from $38,532,000 to $44,751,000. This compares to an increase last year of 9.6 percent.

For the third quarter of 1990, the combined ratio, including policyholders' dividends, was 106.2 percent compared to 106.6 percent for the same period in 1989. The ratio of losses and loss expenses to premiums earned was 74.6 percent compared to 76.2 percent. The underwriting expense ratio was 30.9 percent compared to 29.9 percent. Dividends to policyholders were 0.7 percent of premiums earned compared to 0.5 percent in 1989.

Net weather-related castastrophes impacted the third quarter of 1990 by $3.5 million, adding 0.9 points to the combined ratio, compared to $10.5 million in 1989, adding 2.9 points to the combined ratio, $7.5 million of which was Hurricane Hugo.

For the third quarter, net premiums written increased 6.7 percent (4.8 percent

adjusted for the increase in Massachusetts voluntary writings) from $373,506,000 in 1989 to $398,609,000 in 1990 compared to a 1.6 percent increase in 1989. Net premiums earned for the quarter increased 8.9 percent from $363,914,000 to $396,353,000 in 1990 compared to a 3.3 percent decrease in the third quarter of 1989.

For the third quarter of 1990, the investment portfolio showed a net pre-tax capital loss of $27,908,000 consisting of realized capital gains of $2,510,000 and unrealized capital losses of $30,418,000 compared to a net pre-tax capital gain in the third quarter of 1989 of $23,891,000 consisting of realized capital gains of $30,264,000 and unrealized capital losses of $6,373,000.

All quarterly figures are unaudited and reported in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) with the exception of the combined ratio and underwriting exhibits which are on a statutory basis following industry practice.

When realized and unrealized capital gains, fresh start and net investment income are reported net of tax for 1990 and 1989, the amounts are calculated at the statutory federal income tax rate of 34 percent without regard to alternative minimum tax (AMT).

Hanover is an insurance and financial service organization marketing property and liability lines of insurance. Hanover's common stock is traded over-the-counter, and its symbol is HINS.

The Hanover Insurance Companies include: The Hanover Insurance Company; Massachusetts Bay Insurance Company; The Hanover American Insurance Company (previously reported as Massachusetts Bay of New Hampshire Insurance Company); Citizens Insurance Company of America; Beacon Insurance Company of America; American Select Insurance Company; Hanover Lloyd's Insurance Company, AMGRO, Inc.; and Citizens Management, Inc.

HANOVER INSURANCE CO.
Financial Summary

	Quarter ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Net income	$15,020,000	$33,993,000
Earnings per share-(a)	73 cents	$1.65
Average number of shares	20,632,000	20,632,000
	Nine months ended Sept. 30:	
	1990	1989
Net income	$37,087,000	$73,310,000
Earnings per share-(a)	$1.80	$3.55
Average number of shares	20,632,000	20,632,000 ----

NOTES: All figures are reported in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). (a)-Includes net realized gain on investments,

net of federal income taxes at the statutory rate of 34 percent, without regard for alternative minimum tax (AMT) in 1990 and 1989, as follows:

	Third Quarter		Year to Date	
Net realized gain on investments, net of applicable federal income taxes	1990	1989	1990	1989
	8 cents	97 cents	26 cents	$1.17

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PRINCETON, NJ (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - GE American Communications, Inc. (GE Americom), announced Wednesday the signing of an agreement with Telesat Canada that will provide for additional space protection for its customers.

Under the terms of the agreement, GE Americom maintains an exclusive option to make use of Telesat Canada's ANIK D2 spacecraft, which it can exercise when ANIK D2 becomes available.

GE Americom could use its exclusive option contained in the agreement to provide capacity for customers on GE Americom's current Satcom fleet of satellites and for its next-generation customers on satellites - Satcom C-1, C-5 (Aurora II), C-3, and C-4.

Walter Braun, GE Americom senior vice president, stated that GE Americom's agreement with Telesat Canada illustrates GE's commitment to customer service.

"GE is committed to being the low risk service provider in the satellite industry. Telesat Canada's ANIK D2 spacecraft has excellent CONUS and Alaska coverage that can improve the transponder protection available to satisfy our customers. Telesat Canada's ANIK D2 spacecraft also offers the significant advantage of already being in orbit and helps us provide continuous service."

GE Americom, located in Princeton, N.J., operates the Satcom fleet - 5 C-Band and 2 Ku-Band satellites that service cable television, broadcast radio, and television, Alascom Inc., as well as business information and government markets. GE Americom is a subsidiary of General Electric Company (NYSE: GE).

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#90305p2275 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Service Corporation International (SCI) (NYSE:

SRV) reported today that it has completed its previously announced agreement to sell its casket supply business to The York Group, Inc., a Pennsylvania corporation. The purchase price of $55 million, consists of cash and debt of the newly organized acquiring company.

In completing the sale, R. L. Waltrip, SCI's chairman noted that the sale completes plans to return SCI's focus exclusively to three core businesses: funeral service, cemetery operations and financial services to the independent funeral service businesses.

"We are pleased with the terms of this sale," Waltrip said. "We are especially pleased by the fact that we were able to achieve our original purpose of providing an alternative supply source to the funeral industry. We look forward to a continuing relationship with The York Group as a source of funeral merchandise," he added.

Service Corporation International is the largest funeral service organization in North America. SCI provides management resources and direction for its many funeral home and cemetery operations in 35 of the United States, the District of Columbia and four Canadian Provinces. Service Corporation International has been listed on the New York Stock Exchange since 1974.

CONTACT: Bill Barrett of Service Corporation International, 713-525-5497; or Jerry Wattel of Burson-Marsteller, 212-614-4007, for Service Corporation International

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#90305p2276 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Ethyl Corporation (NYSE: EY) announced today that it has temporarily withdrawn its waiver application to gain approval from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for use of the company's HiTEC(R) 3000 performance additive in unleaded gasoline in the U.S.

Following a meeting late yesterday with EPA officials in Washington, Floyd D. Gottwald, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Ethyl, wrote the Environmental Protection Agency saying that certain issues raised during the review of Ethyl's application could not be addressed before the November 5 deadline established by law.

"Ethyl fully intends to file a new waiver application," Mr. Gottwald wrote. Ethyl has conducted over three million miles of tests on a 48-car fleet during its program, and all testing and analysis has been done by EPA-recognized consultants. These tests demonstrated that HiTEC 3000 is a fuel additive with significant environmental and energy-saving benefits.

While many of the EPA findings vary little, if any, from Ethyl's, there were discrepancies that will require additional review that could not be completed

within the statutorily mandated 180-day period.

Ethyl officials did not comment on any other issues raised in the EPA review, pending further discussions between the company's technical staff and the agency.

Ethyl indicated that additional meetings with the EPA would begin as soon as possible. Ethyl hopes to define areas where additional information is needed by the EPA in order to expedite the resubmission of its application to sell HiTEC 3000 performance additive for use in unleaded gasoline.

CONTACT: A. Prescott Rowe, 804-788-5413, or Robert P. Buford IV, 804-788-5494, both of Corporate Communications, Ethyl Corporation

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#90305p2277 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Optelecom, Inc. (NASDAQ: OPTC) today released the following earnings information for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990:

OPTELECOM, INC.

	Three Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Revenue	$1,072,797	$1,091,720
Net Income	$ 31,632	$ 31,665
Earnings Per Share	$ 0.01	$ 0.01

CONTACT: Dr. William H. Culver, chief executive officer, Optelecom, Inc., 301-840-2121

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#90305p2282 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Enviropact, Inc. (AMEX: ENV) today announced its first fiscal-year 1991 results.

Revenues for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $3,471,000, a 22 percent increase over the same period a year ago. The company reported a net loss of $119,000, or 4 cents per share, for the quarter compared to a loss from continuing operations of $302,000, or 10 cents per share, a year ago and a net loss of $1,703,000, or 59 cents per share, a year ago. The prior-year quarterly results have been restated to eliminate the results of the pump and tank and drilling divisions sold in November 1989. The 1991 results are based on 3,087,362 average shares outstanding and the 1990 results on 2,896,886 average shares outstanding.

Lawrence O. Turner Jr., chief executive officer of the company, said, "The

company has operated profitably in three of the last four months and is close to achieving the 1991 budget adopted by the board of directors in July." He said, "Barring further declines in general economic conditions or federal budget cuts impacting the enforcement of environmental laws, Enviropact should be profitable for fiscal year 1991."

Enviropact offers a variety of environmental services, including real estate audits, contamination assessments and plans, asbestos management, groundwater and soil remediation, and analytical laboratory services. The company has offices in Miami, West Palm Beach, Jacksonville, Tampa Bay, Orlando, and Titusville, Fla.; Yonkers, N.Y.; Corpus Christi, and San Antonio, Texas, and Greenville, S.C.

CONTACT: Lawrence O. Turner Jr. of Enviropact, 305-362-8522; or John De Nigris of John De Nigris Associates, 212-532-5159, for Enviropact

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#90305p2287 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Officials of Air L.A. and Air Resorts Airlines announced that they have entered into a ''Memorandum of Intent'' to merge their two companies. The closing of the transaction is scheduled for Dec. 27, 1990. When completed, Air L.A. and Air Resorts will be operated as wholly owned subsidiaries of Air L.A. Inc. (OTC). Moreover, it is anticipated on a pro forma basis for the first full twelve months of operations in 1991, that the companies will have over $14 million in sales, assets of over $14 million, and stockholders' equity of over $6 million. Combined entities are expected to produce operating costs of $.15/ASM (available seat miles).

Wayne Schoenfeld, president of Air L.A., said, ''This merger will result in a strong economic base permitting the company to complete its major expansion into several Mexican cities, namely Tijuana, Hermosillo, Mexicali and Guaymas, with passenger and freight operations.'' He went on to say, ''The over 500 'maquiladoras' (assembly plants manned by Mexicans and owned by foreign companies) will now be served through the West Coast's principal international gateway, Los Angeles. Air L.A. has longstanding marketing agreements with the most important European and Pacific air carriers serving Los Angeles.''

Air L.A. presently serves the Grand Canyon, Palm Springs Resorts, and Las Vegas from LAX, while Air Resorts serves Arizona from San Diego.

Additionally, Air Resorts specializes in government contract work, contract tours, and will soon be serving New York (JFK) Airport from Toronto, Canada and Niagara Falls.

Both of Air L.A. Inc.'s subsidiary companies serve ''niche'' markets and believe the consolidation will further strengthen their presence in these markets, as well as those in ''maquiladora'' country. When the merger is

completed, Air L.A. Inc. will be qualified for a NASDAQ listing in Spring 1991 and is planning to prepare for an early Summer ''Secondary Offering.''

CONTACT: Sherri Fishman or Lauren Finkleman, 708-291-1616, of S&S Public Relations Inc. for Air L.A.

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#90305p2289 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTER, IND. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Canonie Environmental Services Corp. (NASDAQ: CANO) announces the appointment of Curtis J. Jones as vice president. He will assume responsibility for the firm's marketing operations.

Prior to joining Canonie, Jones served as national accounts director for OHM Corporation. He has previously held marketing positions at International Technology Corporation, Law Engineering Testing Company and D'Appolonia Waste Management Company.

Jones received his BA from Stillman College, his MBA from Central Michigan University and an Honorary Doctorate of Humanities from Selma University. He currently resides with his family in the Atlanta area.

Canonie Enviromental Services Corp. provides comprehensive services throughout the United States for remediation of sites contaminated by hazardous materials. The firm provides its clients with a complete range of services, including assessing the regulatory, technical and construction aspects of the problem; developing a strategic plan to solve the problem and performing the necessary remediation and operation activities. Canonie Environmental Services Corp. is one of the few companies capable of providing such a broad range of services. The company has performed work at more than 100 project sites nationwide, including the management and control of remediation activities at various superfund sites.

CONTACT: Thomas A. Donovan, president and chief executive officer, or Leo G. MacKeller, senior vice president - administration and finance, 219-926-8651, both of Canonie Environmental Services Corp.

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#90305p2292 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

FITCHBURG, MASS. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - ChemDesign Corporation (NASDAQ: CDCC) announced today that its board of directors has approved the repurchase of up to 600,000 shares of the corporation's Common Stock. This represents approximately 7 percent of ChemDesign's outstanding Common Stock. The program will run over time, and shares will be purchased in the open market or in private transactions. A portion of the shares purchased are expected to be issued in connection with the company's recently approved Employee Stock Purchase Plan and the existing Option Plan.

Jay R. LaMarche, executive vice president commented, "This action by our directors reflects their confidence in the company's current level of business and prospects for continued growth."

Founded in 1982, ChemDesign Corporation is engaged primarily in the development, manufacture and sale of fine chemicals on a custom basis. As a custom fine chemical producer, the company provides manufacturing services to its customers and produces a wide variety of products, each manufactured to the customer's specifications. The company also manufactures and sells other fine and specialty chemicals.

CONTACT: Jay R. LaMarche, executive vice president of ChemDesign, 508-345-9999

-30- 1429

#90305p2293 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, SC (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Les McCraw, Chief Executive Officer and Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the multinational Fluor Corporation (NYSE: FLR) has been elected to the Board of Directors of Multimedia, Inc (NASDAQ-NMS: MMED). WaLter E. Bartlett, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Multimedia, said when making the announcement, "Multimedia is delighted to welcome Les McCraw to its Board of Directors. His extensive range of business experience will be a great asset to our Company."

Greenville-based Multimedia, Inc. is a diversified media communications company with four operating divisions: Multimedia Newspaper Company, Greenville, South Carolina; Multimedia Broadcasting Company, Cincinnati, Ohio; Multimedia Cablevision Company, Wichita, Kansas; and Multimedia Entertainment, New York City.

McCraw, a South Carolina native and graduate of Clemson University, is a licensed professional engineer who began his career with Gulf Oil in Philadelphia. Following service in the U.S. Air Force, he joined DuPont Corporation in Delaware and for the next fifteen years advanced through the ranks of that company's engineering and construction divisions.

In 1975 McCraw joined Daniel Construction Company in Greenville, South Carolina, then one of the top five constructors in the United States. Daniel Construction was purchased by Fluor Corporation in 1977. McCraw was named President of Daniel in 1982 and became its Chief Executive Officer in 1984. He was also elected to the Fluor Board of Directors in 1984.

After the engineering, construction and maintenance capabilities of Fluor Corporation and Daniel Construction Company were melded together in 1986 to form the new company, Fluor Daniel, McCraw was named President and Chief Executive Officer. He then set up the company's headquarters in Irvine, California and began the task of integrating the two companies. McCraw was

named President of Fluor Corporation in 1988 and Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer in 1990.

McCraw serves on the Board of Directors of Hampden Sydney College in Virginia and Columbia College in South Carolina. He also serves on both the College of Engineering Advisory Board and the President's Advisory Council of Clemson University. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Allergan Corporation and an active member of the Business Roundtable and the Construction Industry's Presidents Forum.

He and his wife, Mary Earle, are the parents of three grown sons. Multimedia, Inc. is a diversified media communications company which publsihed 13 daily and 49 non-daily newspapers, owns and operates four television and eight radio stations and a video production company, operates more than 100 cable television franchises in four states and produces and sydicates quality television programming, including the Phil Donahue and Sally Jessy Raphael shows.

CONTACT: Elizabeth S. Mills, Vice President-Corporate Communications, Multimedia, Inc., 803-298-4393 or 803-298-4389.

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#90305p2294 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Stolichnaya Russian vodka today announced that it will be a lead sponsor of the first-ever Soviet challenge for sailing's most prestigious trophy, the America's Cup. The challenge for the 1992 event, to be held in the waters off San Diego, has been filed by the Red Star Syndicate, a group of world-class Soviet sailors under the flag of the Leningrad Yacht Club.

"We can think of no more appropriate supporter of our America's Cup effort than Stolichnaya Russian vodka, and we welcome it to our team," said Vsevolod Kukushkin, sports editor-in-chief with the Tass News Agency in Moscow and chairman of the Red Star Syndicate. "Not only is Stolichnaya the best-known and most highly respected consumer product from our country in the United States, but the brand's reputation and quality image can also help us attract additional support from American firms."

The announcement marks a major milestone for the Red Star Syndicate, whose challenge for the America's Cup has been officially accepted by the America's Cup Organizing Committee. The event is scheduled to begin in January 1992, with the final races set for May. Three American syndicates, including three-time America's Cup winner Dennis Conner, are set to compete for the right to defend the Cup on behalf of the San Diego Yacht Club, against 12 foreign challengers.

Stolichnaya Russian vodka, first introduced to the U.S. market in 1972, is now

one of this country's top ten premium spirits with over one million cases sold in 1989. The product is supplied to the U.S. by PepsiCo Wines & Spirits International under a landmark trade agreement with the Soviet Union, recently extended to the year 2000, to exchange Russian vodka for Pepsi-Cola concentrate. Stolichnaya, ultra-premium Stolichnaya Cristall and Stolichnaya flavored vodkas are imported to the U.S. by Monsieur Henri Wines, Ltd., of White Plains, N.Y.

CONTACT: Stuart C. Ross of Stolichnaya, 914-253-3777, or Lisa Kovitz of Hill & Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for Stolichnaya

-30- 2227

#90305p2296 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DARIEN, CT (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Express International (AMEX: AEX) today reported net income of $2,867,000 or 57 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990, an increase of 87 percent over third quarter 1989 net income of $1,531,000 or 30 cents per share. For the first nine months of 1990, the company reported net income of $7,835,000 or $1.56 per share compared to net income of $5,232,000 or $1.04 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Gross revenues for the quarter were $141,918,000, an increase of 14 percent over third quarter 1989 revenues of $124,796,000. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, gross revenues were $411,814,000, an increase of 10 percent when compared to $374,308,000 for the nine months of 1989. Stronger foreign currency values accounted for approximately one-half of the increase in both third quarter and nine-month revenues.

In commenting on the results, Dennis Dolan, vice president and chief financial officer, stated, "We are gratified with our results. Improvement in our foreign operations, coupled with increases in total weight shipped, has largely contributed to the significant improvement in our operating profit for the quarter and the first nine months of the year."

CONTACT: Dennis Dolan, vice president and chief financial officer of Air Express, 203-655-7900

-30- 1530

#90305p2301 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Oil Company announced today that it is introducing a package of environmental initiatives in Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Md., and Richmond, Va.

As part of the package, Amoco is currently supplying Amoco service stations with three grades of reduced-emission gasoline which, when fully introduced, will meet the 1992 requirements of the Clean Air Act. "We have been delivering our reduced-emission products to Washington, D.C.-area Amoco stations for the

last 30 days," said Robert J. Rauscher, Amoco marketing vice president.

Rauscher said the reduced-emission gasolines are part of "The most comprehensive set of environmental alternatives presented by one company in a single market."

Rauscher said the other elements of Amoco's package of environmental initiatives are now in operation on a demonstration basis at the company's full-service station at 9th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue. They include:

-- New and more effective Amoco-designed gasoline pump vapor recovery nozzles;
-- A used motor oil recycling collection facility for any motorists who change their own oil; and
-- A compressed natural gas (CNG) fueling facility for select fleet vehicle use.

Rauscher said President Bush; William K. Reilly, administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; and Admiral James D. Watkins, Secretary of Energy, have provided strong leadership that has stimulated the development of lower-emission gasolines and alternative motor fuels.

"Throughout much of our system, Amoco already sells what others are calling reformulated gasoline," Rauscher said. "Amoco's Texas City, Texas, refinery, one of the most modern in the country, produces some of the nation's cleanest burning fuels."

But Rauscher warned that even stricter 1995 Clean Air Act requirements pose a formidable challenge because of the very short time frame and the technological advances needed to meet the tough new targets for further emissions reductions.

"While no single action we can take will immediately resolve all air and other environmental problems," Rauscher said, "this multi-faceted approach we are undertaking can begin to make an impact now."

Some of the Amoco initiatives are in place in other markets, Rauscher said. "Expansion of those elements and the introduction of others will be determined by many different factors, but we will continue to move in an environmentally proactive manner."

Other Amoco stations in the Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Md., and Richmond and Roanoke, Va., markets will offer three grades of reduced- emission gasolines and a used oil recycling program, Rauscher said.

CONTACT: Mike Thompson, 312-856-5566, or C.T. Geary, 312-856-5388,
both of Amoco

-30- 2955

#90305p2305 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Software, Inc. (NYSE: SSW) today said earnings per share from continuing operations before an extraordinary gain for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased to 90 cents, up 23 percent from 73 cents per share in 1989. Revenue for the year increased to $200.2 million up 11 percent from $180.2 million last year. Including extraordinary gains, earnings per share amounted to $1.03 in 1990 compared to 98 cents in 1989.

For the fourth quarter separately, Sterling reported earnings per share before an extraordinary gain of 26 cents on revenue of $57.9 million, up from 22 cents per share on $49.8 million a year ago. It was the eighth consecutive quarter of year-to-year improvement in revenue and earnings, the company said.

Sterling said its increased earnings resulted from strong performance in each of its three business groups -- System Software, Applications Software, and Federal Systems -- and accordingly all three organizations were expanded in 1990 to serve their higher business levels and to continue their growth.

STERLING SOFTWARE, INC.
Results of Operations
(in thousands of dollars, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

Period ended	Three months		Year	
Sept. 30,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$57,920	$49,802	$200,195	$180,202
Income from continuing operations before extraordinary gain	3,010	2,536	10,511	8,564
Income before extraordinary gain (1)	3,010	2,536	10,975	8,564
Extraordinary gain (2)	45	1,018	1,069	2,842
Net income	3,055	3,555	12,044	11,406
Preferred dividends	(780)	(788)	(3,120)	(3,164)
Earnings to common	2,275	2,767	8,924	8,242
Earnings per share				
Continuing operations before extraordinary gain	$.26	$.22	$.90	$.73
Before extraordinary gain	$.26	$.22	$.94	$.73
After extraordinary gain	$.26	$.30	$1.03	$.98
Average shares outstanding (000's)	6,225	6,066	6,186	6,035 1

-- The company recorded a net after-tax gain on discontinued operations of $464,000 during the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

2 -- Represents the tax effected net gain from the early retirement of the company's 8 percent convertible debentures which were repurchased at a discount during the three-month periods and years ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989.

CONTACT: Betty Feezor of Sterling Software, 214-891-8600

-30- 3079

#90305p2306 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINSTON-SALEM, NC (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Integon Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ITGN) has announced that Walter B. Colvin and Mark W. Shartle will join the company November 5.

Colvin will serve as senior vice president for administration and Shartle will become Integon's senior vice president and chief financial officer, responsible for directing the company's investment, planning and accounting activities.

In making the announcement, Executive Vice President for Integon's Life, Finance and Administrative Operations Joe D. Heusi noted that Colvin and Shartle bring Integon the experience and expertise the company needs as it sets its course for future growth.

"Each brings a level of professional expertise to his new responsibilities, backed by more than twenty years' insurance management experience," Heusi said.

Colvin began his insurance career in 1970. In 1981, he joined the Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company (VALIC), Houston, where he rose to become senior vice president for Systems and Administration.

In 1984, he was also elected senior vice president of VALIC's parent, American General Corporation. Colvin is also a Fellow in the Life Management Institute. At Integon, Colvin will be responsible for Information Services, Human Resources, Corporate Communications, Corporate Systems and General Services.

Shartle joins Integon following a distinguished nine-year career, also at VALIC, where he had risen to become senior vice president and chief financial officer, responsible for the company's financial operations, financial and tax reporting, budgeting, general banking and treasury activities, and corporate planning.

In 1984, he was also elected vice president of American General Series Portfolio Company, an SEC-registered management investment company owned by American General Corporation. Shartle began his career in insurance accounting finance and management in 1970.

Shartle's assignments at Integon will include directing the activities of the

company's controllers, treasury, investment, planning and internal audit functions.

CONTACT: Turner Coley, CLU, Corporate Communications, Integon Corporation, (919) 770-2276.

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#90305p2307 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - On Nov. 1, 1990, the board of directors of Fletcher Challenge Investments II Inc. declared that a cash dividend of $0.75 per share upon the issued and outstanding Exchangeable Shares, Series B of the company be and the same is hereby declared payable on Nov. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record of the company holding Exchangeable Shares, Series B of the company as at the close of business on Nov. 15, 1990.

CONTACT: Stu Clugston, director, Public Affairs of Fletcher Challenge Investments II Inc., 604-654-4463

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#90305p2308 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Houston-based Biodynamics and Texas Medical Products, a subsidiary of Surgimedics, Inc., today announced a joint venture to complete development of Biodynamics' proprietary autotransfusion system.

Biodynamics received a U.S. patent on its autotransfusion system in June 1990. The patent covers a blood separation filter which is the major component of its PlateletPlus(TM) autotransfusion system. The device reduces the need for donor blood transfusions, thereby lowering the risk of AIDS and hepatitis in various types of surgeries. Some industry sources predict that by the end of the 1990's over 90 percent of blood used in surgery may come from the patient.

Industry estimates put the existing worldwide market for autotransfusion hardware and disposables at over $130 million.

"We evaluated a variety of strategic alliances with several companies but Surgimedics proved to be uniquely qualified because of its managerial, financial and production resources," stated John V. Hargiss, Biodynamics' president and chief executive officer. "Surgimedics' aggressive growth plans, their surgical product focus and a commitment to the autotransfusion potential were significant considerations in the decision to create this partnership," he stated further.

Thomas R. Early, chief executive officer of Surgimedics commented, "This joint venture agreement represents another step by Surgimedics to introduce new technologies into markets in which it is well established. TMP has a leadership position in disposable cardiovascular surgery specialty products."

Under the terms of the agreement, the joint venture known as Advanced Haemotechnologies will be located at the Surgimedics facility in The Woodlands. Sam Danna has been named president and Lucas S. Gordon serving as its executive vice president. Funding for completing commercialization of this technology will be provided by Surgimedics while all other technology related assets will be contributed by Biodynamics.

Biodynamics, Inc. (NASDAQ: BDYNF) is a wholly owned subsidiary of American Biodynamics Inc. Surgimedics, Inc. is a privately held company with annual revenues in excess of $15 million engaged in the manufacturing and marketing of cardiovascular and laser surgical devices.

CONTACT: John V. Hargiss or Marti Bruce of Biodynamics, 713-862-6622; or Thomas R. Early of Surgimedics, 713-363-4949

-30- 2617

#90305p2309 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - On Nov. 1, 1990, the board of directors of Fletcher Challenge Investments Inc. declared that a cash dividend of $1.41 per share upon the issued and outstanding Series 2 Exchangeable Shares of the company be and the same is hereby declared payable on the 30th day of November, 1990 to shareholders of record of the company holding Series 2 Exchangeable Shares of the company as at the close of business on the 15th of November, 1990.

CONTACT: Stu Clugston of Fletcher Challenge Investments Inc. 604-654-4463

-30- 732

#90305p2310 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Ryder System (NYSE: R) has acquired substantially all of the assets of United Truck Leasing Corporation of Braintree, Mass., it was announced today by M. Anthony Burns, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Ryder System. The United operations will be integrated into Ryder's Vehicle Leasing and Services Division. Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

"This acquisition is consistent with Ryder's strategy of focusing on its core product lines," said Burns. "United is a quality company and has been a worthy competitor in the past." United leases and rents about 2,500 vehicles from locations primarily in the New England area. The company employs 235 people. United's operations will be merged with Ryder's to provide more convenient service to customers and take advantage of economies of scale.

Ryder is a major lessor and renter of trucks in New England with 36 company-owned locations. In addition, Ryder has 350 independent dealers for

the do-it-yourself home mover.

CONTACT: Art Stone of Ryder System, 305-593-3180

-30- 1251

#90305p2313 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Reliance Group Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: REL) today reported net income of $4.5 million, or $.06 per share of common stock for the third quarter of 1990. This compares with a net loss of $61.7 million or $.83 per share, in the third quarter of 1989. Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 totaled $862.1 million, down from revenues of $1.05 billion in the prior-year period, reflecting the company's decision to reduce the level of new business production in certain product lines of its life insurance unit.

For the first nine months of 1990, Reliance reported net income of $178.9 million, or $2.39 per share, compared to a net loss of $40.6 million, or $.54 per share, in the 1989 period. Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $2.94 billion, versus $2.81 billion in the prior-year period.

Results for the first nine months of 1990 include a second-quarter gain of $245.5 million after-tax from the sale of the company's General Casualty subsidiary, partly offset by losses on the sale of certain portfolio investments and the write down of real estate projects which the company intends to sell.

Results for the 1989 periods include losses from the write down and sale of certain fixed income and equity investments in the third quarter.

CONTACT: Brian T. Martin of Reliance Group Holdings, 212-909-1247

-30- 1545

#90305p2315 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Belding Heminway Company, Inc. (NYSE: BHY), today announced sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Belding Heminway Company, Inc, is a leading producer of high- technology threads and specialty fabrics and a leading marketer of a diversified line of consumer products.

Belding Heminway also has investments in entities owning real estate and cellular telephone licenses.

BELDING HEMINWAY COMPANY, INC.
(In thousands, except per share data)

Periods ended	Three months	Nine months

Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$33,969	$36,664	$113,220	$120,516
Income before federal income taxes	517	1,596	3,940	6,863
Provision for federal income tax	177	539	1,341	2,335
Net income (B)	340	1,057(A)	2,599	4.528(A)
Per common share and common stock equivalents (B)	$.17	$.52(A)	$1.31	$2.23(A)

(A) -- Includes $2,069,000 or $1.02 per share of gain on sale of cellular entity.

(B) -- Per common share (based on average shares outstanding and common stock equivalents, 1,976,000 in 1990 and 2,028,000 in 1989)

CONTACT: Ronald V. Kaplan, vice president and treasurer of Belding Heminway, 212-944-6040.

-30- 1611

#90305p2321 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Mizlou Communications Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: MZLUL MZLU), today announced that L.A. Gear, Inc. (NYSE: LA), and Georgia-Pacific (NYSE: GP) have signed agreements to advertise on Mizlou's Sports News Network (SNN).

L.A. Gear will be sponsoring a feature called "The Unstoppable Player of the Week," and Georgia-Pacific will be sponsoring SNN's Saturday College Football reports. The number of sponsors advertising on SNN now totals 40.

The company's Mizlou Sports News Network (SNN) is the nation's first and only 24-hour, seven-day-a-week sports cable news network. On the air since Feb. 1, 1990, Mizlou has signed affiliation agreements in 15 of the top 20 major television markets.

CONTACT: Paul Green, senior vice president-sales of Mizlou Communications, (212) 244-3750, or Alex Ross of Cameron Associates, (212) 683-4545, for Mizlou Communications.

-30- 1081

#90305p2324 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, COLO (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Synergen Inc. (NASDAQ: SYGN) announced today that Gregory B. Abbott and Dr. Robert C. Thompson have been promoted to Executive Vice President. Prior to their new appointments, Abbott and Dr. Thompson had been Senior Vice Presidents of the company. Dr. Thompson will also continue as Synergen's Director of Research.

In his new position, Abbott is responsible for corporate development and licensing, marketing, operations, human resources and legal and patent affairs. The breadth of these responsibilities is commensurate with Synergen's recent growth and reflects the scope of the company's activities in developing its pharmaceutical products.

Prior to becoming Senior Vice President of Synergen in 1986, Abbott was a partner in the Denver law firm of Holme Roberts & Owen, where he practiced corporate and securities law from 1974 to 1986. Abbott received his B.A. from Yale University in 1970 and his J.D. degree from the University of Denver College of Law in 1973.

Dr. Thompson initiated Synergen's human pharmaceuticals program and has conducted and directed research on Synergen's anti-inflammatory agent, IL-1ra, and its elastase inhibitor, SLPI. IL-1ra is currently in human clinical trials for rheumatoid arthritis and is expected to be in clinical trials for septic shock by the end of this year and inflammatory bowel disease in 1991. SLPI is expected to be in clinical trials for genetic emphysema and cystic fibrosis before the end of this year.

Dr. Thompson joined Synergen in 1982 as Director of Human Pharmaceuticals, was promoted to Vice President in 1987 and Senior Vice President in 1989. He received his Ph.D. in chemistry at Exeter University in England in 1968 and was engaged in research at Harvard Medical School from 1968 to 1976. He was a member of the faculty at Temple University in Philadelphia from 1976 until 1982.

"These appointments reflect Greg's and Bob's significant roles in assuring Synergen's success. Their records of achievement and multi-functional responsibilities were major considerations in their advancements," said Jon Saxe, Synergen's President and Chief Executive Officer.

Synergen is a biotechnology company developing products to treat inflammatory diseases, vascular disorders and neurological conditions using recombinant DNA technology and the latest advances in molecular and cellular biology.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the American Opportunity Income Fund (NYSE: OIF) has approved the following changes to the fund's investment policies:

-- The fund's limitation on investments in foreign debt securities has increased from 15 percent to 25 percent of total fund assets. Foreign debt

securities must be rated AA- or better by Standard & Poor's at the time of investment. (The previous minimum rating was AA). -- This fund's minimum required investment in mortgage-backed securities has been reduced from 65 percent to 50 percent of the fund's total assets. -- The fund will be required to invest at least 65 percent of its total assets in U.S. government or agency securities. -- The fund will not be permitted to invest in any securities rated below A by S&P. -- The fund may no longer invest in equity securities. -- Although the fund will continue to be able to invest in unregistered debt securities rated A or higher by S&P, any such investments will require specific approval by the board of directors.

For more information about these changes, call 612-342-6384. Piper Capital Management serves as investment adviser to this fund and six other closed-end funds. It also serves as adviser to Piper Jaffray Investment Trust Inc., an open-end investment company that currently offers shares in 11 series. Piper Capital Management has over $3.5 billion in assets under management. The firm is a wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated (NASDAQ: PIPR), a full-service investment firm founded in 1895.

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MONTREAL (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - United Westburne Inc. today announced that revenues for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $1,925,729,000 compared with $1,964,870,000 for the same period in the previous year. Pre-tax earnings amounted to $27,854,000 as compared to $52,023,000. Net earnings totalled $14,823,000 versus $28,158,000. Net earnings per share were $0.40 on 37,322,446 shares outstanding as compared to $0.96 on 29,274,538 shares outstanding for the same period last year. On a fully diluted per share basis net earnings amounted to $0.39 versus $0.86 for the same period last year.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 revenues were $658,161,000 compared with $679,613,000 for the same period in 1989. Pre-tax earnings were $13,143,000 versus $21,602,000. Net earnings totalled $7,183,000 against $11,719,000 for the same period in 1989. On a per share basis this is equivalent to $0.20 per common share against $0.31 last year. On a fully-diluted per share basis net earnings were $0.19 as compared to $0.31 for the quarter last year.

As expected, sales and profits this quarter improved over the second quarter results. Management continues to stress cost-efficient administration of inventories, accounts receivable and operations. The company believes the steps it has taken have positioned it to face any further weakening of the economy should it occur.

During this past quarter the company completed its two previously announced intended acquisitions - the assets of the Ontario distribution division of Canada Valve, a leading waterworks wholesale distributor in Ontario; and the assets of Wehle Electric Co., Inc., the largest independent electrical distributor in the State of New York. These two acquisitions will add $85 million (Cdn) in sales on an annual basis.

CONTACT: Michel Vennat, vice chairman of United Westburne Inc., 514-342-5181

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IRVINE, CALIF (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Medstone International Inc. (NASDAQ: MSHK) announced that Freeman Rose has resigned as chairman of the board and a director, effective Oct. 30, 1990. Rose expressed a desire to spend more time on personal business. Errol Payne, Medstone's former chairman and chief executive officer, will assume the chairmanship on an interim basis.

Medstone International manufactures and services the Medstone STS non-invasive shockwave therapy system for the treatment of kidney stones.

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#90305p2331 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - H.H. Robertson Co. (NYSE: RHH) management learned today that an affiliate of Frontera S.A., a Swiss investment company, purchased approximately 365,000 shares of Robertson common stock on Oct. 30 on the New York Stock Exchange.

Company executives believe that the seller was Douglas A. Kass or a company controlled by him. Frontera also notified Robertson that the Frontera affiliate has acquired additional shares of Robertson common stock in open-market transactions over the last three weeks.

As previously announced, Frontera has agreed to make a net investment of $38,750,000 in Robertson-Ceco Corp., the company to be formed by the merger between H.H. Robertson Co. and Ceco Industries Inc. of Chicago. Robertson expects the merger to be approved by shareholders of Robertson and Ceco and consummated on Nov. 8. Taking into account Frontera's recent purchases of Robertson common stock and the exchange ratios applicable under present market conditions, Frontera would own approximately 31 percent of the outstanding common stock of Robertson-Ceco Corp. immediately following the merger.

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Robertson, 412-281-3200

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DEERFIELD BEACH, FLA. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Devcon International Corp. (NASDAQ: DEVC) announced today that it has acquired the assets of Tortola Concrete Products, Ltd., the largest ready-mix concrete and aggregates business in Tortola, British Virgin Islands.

Donald L. Smith Jr., Devcon chairman and president, said the transaction involved approximately $2.5 million in a combination of cash, a note and assumed liabilities. He added that, pursuant to consulting and employment agreements, management compensation will be based, in part, upon future profits of the acquired business.

Smith said, "This acquisition reflects our continuing strategy for growth of our concrete and related products operations in the Caribbean." Earlier this year, Devcon expanded into St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles, where the company acquired the largest producer of ready-mix concrete, concrete block and aggregates. Also in 1990, the company established a ready-mix concrete and cement operation in the independent island nation of Dominica.

He pointed out that revenues of the Tortola operation are currently running at an annual rate of approximately $3 million. Smith said that present management, which has guided Tortola Concrete Products for the past six years, will continue to be involved in the operation of the business. "Together, we are in a strong position to participate in what appears to be a period of increasing development for Tortola," he said.

Devcon operates ready-mix concrete, aggregate, concrete block and bulk cement facilities and performs harbor dredging and other heavy construction work in the Caribbean. Principal operations are on St. Thomas and St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands, on the independent island nations of Antigua and Dominica and on St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles. In South Florida, Devcon is mainly in the heavy construction business, preparing sites for shopping malls, residential developments, golf courses and industrial parks.

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#90305p2337 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Noise Cancellation Technologies Medical Systems, Inc. (NCTM), today received the approval of Siemens Medical Systems, Inc. (Iselin, N.J.), to sell its active noise quieting system for use with the

Siemens MAGNETOM(TM) Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) systems. MRI is a non-invasive imaging technique that utilizes a powerful magnet and radio waves to provide physicians with cross sectional images of the body. NCTM/MRI is the first and only active (electronic) noise canceling system available for use with MRI scanners.

"The approval from Siemens represents a significant expansion of the marketplace for our product and is already facilitating the nationwide installation of the NCTM/MRI system into clinics with Siemens MRI scanners," said Irene Lebovics, NCTM president.

The NCTM/MRI system reduces noise inside the MRI scanner by as much as 20 dB. Patients experience an average 70 percent reduction in perceived noise, a noise level comparable to that of a relatively quiet living room.

Christopher Ruebeck, MR product manager for Siemens said, "The NCTM system was approved by Siemens as an accessory product sold directly to MRI installations."

Within the scan room itself, the NCTM/MRI system uses no metal parts that would interfere with the MRI magnet; a plastic headset is worn by the patient. Outside the scan room, the computer controller analyzes the MRI noise and generates "anti-noise" -- a noise wave opposite to the offending MRI noise. The "anti-noise" is projected back through the headset to combine with the unwanted noise causing the cancellation of both noises.

The NCTM/MRI noise canceling system is configured for both fixed and mobile sites. The system is available directly from NCT at a price of $24,990.

NCTM, Inc., is a subsidiary of Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: NCTI), a world leader in active noise and vibration abatement. The company owns worldwide patents for the process and application of active noise and vibration cancellation to a variety of industries. NCT is headquartered in Stamford, Conn., with research and development facilities in Linthicum, Md., and a European base in Cambridge, U.K.

Siemens Medical Systems, Inc., headquartered in Iselin, N.J., is a leading U.S. supplier of advanced medical electronic, therapy and diagnostic imaging systems.

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#90305p2341 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Aloette Cosmetics Inc. (NASDAQ: ALET) today announced a 5 percent increase in net income for the nine months ending

Sept. 30, 1990, to $2.7 million or 91 cents per share, as compared to $2.5 million or 87 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Year-to-date revenues increased 26 percent to $18 million vs. $14.3 million in 1989.

Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, decreased 12 percent to $710,000 or 24 cents per share, vs. $806,000 or 27 cents per share for the comparable 1989 period. Third quarter revenues advanced 35 percent, to $5.9 million from $4.4 million.

Increases in shipments to domestic franchises of 15 percent were offset by a decline in international shipments. Revenues from the Canadian operations were adversely impacted by a weakening of the Canadian economy as a publicly acknowledged recession resulted in decreased consumer spending. Canadian net product sales fell slightly short to 1989's third quarter results, totalling $1.8 million for the three months ending Sept. 30 as compared to $1.9 million for the same period last year. This, in conjunction with Aloette Canada's contribution of only 87 percent of quarterly projections and Spectrum Cosmetics contribution of only 77 percent of quarterly projections, resulted in a 10 percent reduction in projected quarterly earnings per share. Based on the sales trend experienced in Canada over the past few months, the company said it expects fourth quarter international sales to be flat or slightly under last year's levels.

In addition, income for the quarter was impacted significantly by the dilutive effect of the newly acquired manufacturing companies as the actual costs of goods sold at both facilities exceeded management's projections. Although the company implemented strong cost containment programs at both facilities late in the third quarter, management said it does not expect to realize any significant improvements before the end of the year.

President and chief operating officer, John E. Defibaugh, commented, "Although we are disappointed with our third quarter results, the integration of Aloette's product line at the manufacturing facilities is nearing completion. As a result, we are in a position to aggressively solicit new business at these levels. This new business in conjunction with the cost containment measures instituted at our manufacturing facilities and continued focus on increasing the productivity levels of our core business will enable us to regain the operating margins previously experienced by Aloette."

Aloette Cosmetics, a franchisor, direct marketer and manufacturer of skin care products and cosmetics, is headquartered in Malvern. As of Sept. 30, the company's products were being sold by more than 100 franchises worldwide.

ALOETTE COSMETICS INC.
Financial Summary
(In thousands, except per-share data)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Total revenues	$5,899	$4,373	35
Total costs and expenses	5,055	3,190	58
Operating income	844	1,182	(29)
Income before income taxes	1,205	1,366	(12)
Net income	710	806	(12)
Earnings per share	$.24	$.27	(11)
Weighted average shares	2,963	2,936	--

Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Total revenues	$17,968	$14,275	26
Total costs and expenses	14,324	10,462	37
Operating income	3,644	3,813	(4)
Income before income taxes	4,435	4,332	2
Net income	2,675	2,547	5
Earnings per share	$.91	$.87	5
Weighted average shares	2,948	2,936	--

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GRAND RAPIDS, MI (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Foremost Corporation of America (NASDAQ: FCOA) announced today that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.27 per share of common stock payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

Foremost Corporation of America is a holding company which, through its subsidiaries, is primarily engaged in providing property and casualty insurance to those who buy, sell or finance manufactured homes and recreational vehicles.

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#90305p2350 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Alcoa (NYSE: AA), USAir (NYSE: U) and Connie Portis, a Pittsburgh publisher, will be honored by the Pittsburgh Regional Minority Purchasing Council (PRMPC), it was announced today.

Alcoa and USAir are being cited for innovative support for local minority owned businesses. Portis, the president and publisher of Renaissance Too Publications, is to receive the PRMPC's Minority Business Enrepreneur Award.

The awards will be presented at PRMPC's Annual Appreciation Luncheon which is

co-sponsored with the Pittsburgh Business Resource Center (PBRC), an affiliate of the PRMPC. The luncheon will be Wednesday, Nov. 14, at the Pittsburgh Hilton and Towers Hotel, Downtown.

Pittsburgh Mayor Sophie Masloff will give opening remarks at the luncheon. The keynote speaker will be John V. Milantoni, president of Equitable Gas Co.

Announcing the awards, John H. Adams, executive director of the PRMPC, said:

"Alcoa and USAir earned this honor through consistent, diligent and innovative support of minority owned businesses in the Pittsburgh area. They contribute significant corporate resources to establishing and implementing close, hard-working relationships with minority-owned businesses. From the work of companies such as Alcoa and USAir, minority owned enterprises have grown, in size, diversity and expertise, to levels unimagined 15 years ago."

Adams said the number of local companies on the PRMPC's qualified vendor list has grown from 133 in 1973 to 500 in 1990. Annual sales of the listed companies have increased from $41 million in 1985 to $92 million in 1989.

Adams added: "This is clear evidence that local minority owned businesses significantly benefit from their membership in PRMPC and their listing on its qualified vendor list. Our annual awards program is intended to honor outstanding involvement and accomplishment among institutions and individuals who help to make those benefits possible."

Citing Alcoa's accomplishments in minority supplier development, Adams said that in the 12 months ended June 30, 1990, Alcoa's purchases from some 625 minority owned businesses across the United States were a record $52.3 million nearly double those of 1985. He also cited Alcoa's sponsorship in 1989 of a quality awareness symposium for 43 minority businesses as an example of the innovation the company has shown in developing its minority owned vendors.

For USAir, Adams said beyond its active role in seeking minority owned vendors for its needs, the airline has provided free travel to support events sponsored by the PRMPC, and has offered special fares to participants in the council's regional trade shows and to council members traveling to other parts of the country.

Portis is being honored, Adams said, for her tireless efforts to bring to the attention of the City of Pittsburgh, and the total business community, an awareness of the existence of local minority owned businesses and the importance of doing business with them.

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#90305p2351 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

UPPER DARBY, PA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Bell Savings Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: BSBX), the holding company parent of Bell Savings Bank PaSA, announced today a loss of $1.4 million or 56 cents per share for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares to net income of $646,000 or 26 cents per share for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

According to Nathaniel D. Gross, president of Bell Savings Holdings Inc., net interest income before provision for loan losses declined to $5.1 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, from $7.7 million for the same period in fiscal 1990, a $2.6 million or 34 percent decrease in the company's core operations.

"The deterioration in our interest earning portfolio has had a dramatic impact on net interest income. Collecting on non-performing loans and improving the overall quality and composition of our loan portfolio continues to be a top priority and the key to returning our company to profitability," Gross said.

Consistent with its business plan, the company has slightly reduced its asset size. Total assets decreased $50 million, or 5.4 percent, to $867 million at Sept. 30, 1990, from $917.2 million at June 30, 1990. The decrease is primarily attributable to a sale of loans held for resale and reduced loan originations, supported by a decrease in deposits pursuant to a more conservative pricing strategy.

Despite the quarterly loss of $1.4 million, Bell exceeds the tangible capital requirement by $1.6 million, but falls short of the risk-based and core capital requirements by $26.7 and $7.8 million, respectively. Bell's amended capital plan, which provides for a return to capital compliance within the next several years, was submitted to the Office of Thrift Supervision on Oct. 15, 1990.

BELL SAVINGS HOLDINGS INC.
Statement of Earnings
(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net interest income	$5,064	$7,668
Provision for loan losses	714	555
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	4,350	7,113
Other operating income	1,551	980
Other expenses	7,581	6,686
Income (loss) before income taxes	(1,680)	1,407
Income tax expense	(284)	761

Net income (loss)	(1,396)	646
Earnings (loss) per share	$(.56)	$.26

Selected Financial Data
(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
Total assets	$867,256	$917,177
Total loans	661,521	692,501
Total liabilities	843,158	891,684
Net worth	24,098	25,493
Book value per share	9.63	10.19

Other Data

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Interest rate spread (pct.)	2.91	4.01
Net yield on interest earning assets (pct.)	2.51	3.86
Return on average assets (pct.)	(0.62)	0.29
Return on average equity (pct.)	(22.23)	4.50
Average equity to average assets (pct.)	2.78	6.53
Ratio of interest earning assets to interest bearing liabilities	0.97x	0.99x

CONTACT: Christopher L. Phillips, chief financial officer, 215-734-3202, or Amy Hayward, director of investor relations, 215-734-3206, both of Bell Saving.

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#90305p2353 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Effective Nov. 1, 1990, the American Honda Motor Co. has announced prices increases for its 1991 model Honda Division and Acura Division automobiles. The increase was necessary due to fluctuations in currency exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and the Japanese yen.

Prices for Honda Division Civic, CRX, Accord and Prelude automobiles have been increased by a weighted average of 1.3 percent, or $173 per vehicle. The new Honda prices range from $6,995 for a standard Civic 3-door Hatchback, to $19,795 for an Accord Special Edition 4-door Sedan.

The new pricing also affects Acura Integra and NSX automobiles, which increase by a sales-weighted average of 1.2 percent, or $199 per vehicle. Integra prices now start at $12,100 for a 3-Door RS with manual transmission, and range to $17,870 for a 4-Door GS with leather-trimmed interior and automatic transmission.

Prices for the NSX now stand at $61,000 for a 5-speed manual, and $65,000 for the automatic-transmission equipped car.

Pricing for the 1991 Acura Legend will be released at a later date.

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213-783-3163, both of American Honda Motor Co. Inc.

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#90305p2354 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE Domtar Inc. (NYSE: DTC) today reported a net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $31 million (Cdn) or $0.47 (Cdn) per common share compared to net earnings of $60 million or $0.59 per common share in the corresponding period of 1989. The continuing operations incurred a net loss of $60 million or $0.81 per common share compared to net earnings of $51 million or $0.49 per common share in the first nine months of 1989 due to more unfavorable market conditions for all business lines. Sales from continuing operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, declined by 7 percent to $1.79 billion. An operating loss of $7 million was incurred compared to an operating profit of $128 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Earnings from discontinued operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $29 million or $0.34 per common share compared to $9 million or $0.10 per common share in the same period of 1989, including a net gain of $21 million from the sale of the majority of assets of the salt business on March 30, 1990, and the sale of a specialty chemicals subsidiary, Clough Chemical Inc., on June 22, 1990.

In the third quarter of 1990, a net loss of $22 million or $0.29 per common share was incurred compared to net earnings of $9 million or $0.07 per common share in the same period of 1989 due to lower operating results for all business lines. Sales from continuing operations in the third quarter of 1990 declined by 10 percent to $574 million and an operating loss of $4 million was incurred compared to an operating profit of $32 million in the third quarter of 1989. In light of the continuing weakness of the overall economic environment, including the high Canadian dollar, as well as the specific industry environments for the corporation's business lines, results in the fourth quarter of 1990 are expected to continue to be unfavorable and may decline further from the level in the third quarter.

Sales of fine papers in the third quarter of 1990 at $201 million were essentially unchanged from the same period in 1989 as the impact of increased shipments from Windsor was offset by the effect of lower selling prices and a higher proportion of export sales. Operating profit for the fine papers business declined to $8 million from $13 million in the third quarter of 1989. The decline in profitability was due to the lower selling prices, the higher proportion of export sales and higher depreciation expense for Windsor, partially offset by the impact of the higher shipments and improving

productivity efficiencies at Windsor.

Sales of market pulp, newsprint and groundwood specialty papers in the third quarter of 1990 decreased by 14 percent to $110 million. Operating profit was reduced to $3 million from $13 million due to lower selling prices for market pulp, newsprint and groundwood specialty papers as well as lower shipments of market pulp as a result of the more unfavorable market conditions as the industry enters a cyclical downturn.

Sales for the packaging business in the third quarter of 1990 declined by 11 percent to $103 million. Operating profit was reduced to $2 million from $11 million due to the weaker market conditions for corrugated containers in Canada which reflected a general downturn in the economic environment combined with a continuing escalation of market share competition, including competitive pricing pressure from U.S. imports.

In the third quarter of 1990, sales of construction materials products declined by 19 percent to $160 million. An operating loss of $12 million was incurred compared to a break-even position in the same period of 1989, primarily due to the unfavorable market environment for gypsum board resulting from continuing industry overcapacity and a downturn in market demand caused by reduced construction activity.

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#90305p2355 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWALK, CONN. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - United States Surgical Corporation (NYSE: USS) reported today that the board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of $.125 per share for holders of record Thursday, Nov. 29, 1990, payable Friday, Dec. 14, 1990.

United States Surgical Corporation is the world's largest manufacturer and marketer of surgical staplers.

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#90305p2358 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Florida Power & Light Company today announced the sale of $125 million of 10-year first mortgage bonds bearing interest at 9.625 percent per year.

The bonds will be offered to the public at 99.675 percent of par to yield 9.6764 percent when held to maturity. The cost to FPL, after underwriting commissions, is 9.7800 percent.

Proceeds from the sale will be added to FPL's general funds and will be used to repay short-term borrowings and to fund additional electric facilities. Proceeds from the sale not immediately required for this purpose will be invested temporarily in short-term securities.

The negotiated sale was underwritten by a group co-managed by Salomon Brothers Inc., Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Merrill Lynch & Co. A prospectus relating to these securities may be obtained from any of these underwriting firms.

FPL is one of the largest investor-owned electric utilities in the nation, and is the principal subsidiary of FPL Group, Inc. (NYSE: FPL) The common stock of FPL Group is traded on the New York, Tokyo and London stock exchanges.

This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any jurisdiction.

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#90305p2359 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, CANADA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Gulf Canada Resources Limited today announced that the October 1990 dividend rate for its Fixed/Adjustable Rate Senior Preference Shares, Series 1, has been calculated at $0.046 per share. The dividend is payable on Nov. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Oct. 31, 1990.

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#90305p2360 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Drilling Co., (NYSE:PKD) today announced it has been awarded four helicopter-rig drilling contracts in Myanmar, a country formerly known as Burma. These contracts, one of which calls for the construction of a new drilling rig, will be operating by the third or fourth quarter of fiscal 1991.

Robert L. Parker Jr., president and chief operating officer, said that the contracts are significant in that outside drilling contractors have not operated in Myanmar for several decades. "Largely because of Parker's helicopter transportable rig technology, we received the first four contracts awarded to outside drilling contractors," said Parker.

All of the contracts call for Parker to provide drilling services in remote

areas of the country. "Myanmar is thought to contain large reserves of undiscovered oil," explained Parker, "and for the most part, the country's infrastructure is undeveloped. It is the ideal market for our patented helicopter transportable rigs," he added.

One of the contracts, with Amoco Myanmar Petroleum Co., calls for Parker to build a new drilling rig for a two-year drilling program in the northernmost concession granted by the government. "The AT-2000E (trademark) SCR electric rig represents the newest generation of Parker heli-rig technology," said the company's president. It will be built at Parker Technology Inc., or Partech, the company's research and development and manufacturing facility in Odessa, Texas, he added.

The other contracts call for similar exploratory drilling programs. Those customers include Broken Hill Petroleum, an Australian firm, and Idemitsu Myanmar Oil Exploration Co., a Japanese oil company. The first contract for Parker was awarded by Korean-owned Yukong Limited. Parker's TBA (trademark) Rig 225, which had completed a successful drilling program for Texaco in Brazil, has been transported to Myanmar and is set to begin drilling Yukong's concession, also located in the northern part of the country.

Parker is a worldwide oil and gas drilling contractor with operations in 15 countries. The company is headquartered in Tulsa.

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#90305p2361 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Speaking on behalf of the glass container industry, Lewis D. Andrews Jr., president of the Glass Packaging Institute, today applauded McDonald's decision to drop its plastic burger box.

"McDonald's has recognized that its plastic foam boxes are not recyclable. That is consistent with the closed-loop definition for recycling: to be truly recyclable a material can be made into the same product again and again, never entering the waste stream.

"Plastic foam containers can never be part of a closed-loop recycling process like glass," said Andrews.

According to Andrews, approximately 30 percent of every glass container now made in the United States comes from recycled glass and the industry is working hard to improve that percentage.

The Glass Packaging Institute is a Washington-based trade association representing the nation's glass container manufacturers.

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TOMS RIVER, NJ (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Statewide Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: STWB) announced today the retirement of Richard D. Sutton 65, chairman of the board of Statewide and its main subsidiary, The First National Bank of Toms River, effective Dec. 31, 1990.

Sutton, who was appointed to the respective boards in 1970 and has served as chairman of Statewide and First National since 1978, stated, "I believe that now is the appropriate time for my retirement since the current management team led by President and CEO Douglas E. Johnson has made remarkable achievements in addressing the problems that have beset this bank for the past year. The earnings reported for this quarter, the multimillion-dollar reductions in expenses, the reorganization of the bank along more efficient lines, the upgrade in staffing and the administration of the loan portfolio, among others, have demonstrated to me that the bank is in very capable hands."

He continued, "However, I plan to remain involved with the bank after Jan. 1, 1991, in that I will become emeritus chairman and will offer advice to management in the areas of business development, government, community and shareholder relations, legal matters and regarding the present loan portfolio. I look forward to the challenges that lie ahead."

In conjunction with this announcement, the board of directors appointed William Barlow to the board. Barlow also was selected to succeed Sutton as chairman effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Commenting on this appointment, Sutton explained, "It was with a deep sense of personal pride that I proposed Bill Barlow be appointed to the board and to succeed me as chairman. I was very fortunate in being able to hire Bill in January of this year as special projects officer, reporting directly to me. I assigned him to address many of the problems the bank was encountering, but especially related to the loan portfolio. Bill has made numerous contributions to the achievements attained by the bank since his employment. Additionally, his invaluable experiences gained from over 35 years of being involved in the banking industry fully warrant today's appointments."

Barlow, who retired after 30 years with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, last as supervisor of the New York Field Office, and five years of bank consulting work, will report to Johnson.

Johnson reflected, "With Bill's vast background and the many accomplishments he has realized, Bill brings a very valuable dimension to this organization which I am confident poises Statewide for a recovery from its present problems

and enables it to return to previous levels of growth and earnings in the future. Though Bill's appointments are subject to review by the bank regulatory agencies, they have expressed their support for these appointments and I do not anticipate any reason for declining them."

Johnson and Barlow added, "We acknowledge that the near term may continue to be marked by unsatisfactory performance levels because of the present economic trends and an underachieving loan portfolio. However, Statewide still considers its mission to deliver a full range of financial products in the retail, commercial and wholesale markets prices and delivered at a reasonable cost and with extraordinary personal service. Our commitment to the communities we serve does not diminish. Loans will continue to be available to meet the needs of Statewide's customers which include the commercial and residential construction industry."

Statewide Bancorp also announced today earnings for the third quarter of $6.6 million, or 66 cents per fully diluted share, compared with $1.6 million, or 16 cents per fully diluted share, for the same period in 1989. Despite the negative impact on earnings due to the high level of non-performing loans, Statewide posted core pre-tax earnings of $300,000. The balance of the reported earnings are attributable to gains recognized on the sales of loans offset by onetime charges against earnings for severance packages.

During the third quarter, Statewide finalized the sales of both credit card and home equity loans. In July, $26.8 million of credit card receivables were sold to Mellon Bank. A net gain of $4.3 million was recognized at that time. Under the agreement, Statewide's subsidiary banks will continue to offer Mastercard and Visa cards as a "B" bank. On Sept. 27, 1990, $84 million of home equity loans were sold to Pittsburgh National Corporation. A net gain of $3.3 million was recognized at that time. The loans will continue to be serviced by The First National Bank of Toms River, the principal subsidiary of Statewide, under a separate servicing agreement entered into at the time of the sale.

As previously announced, Statewide eliminated 22 positions during the third quarter as part of an expense reduction program. Severance packages offered to those employees totaling $1.3 million were currently expensed, thereby reducing third-quarter results. It is anticipated, however, that the annual savings will exceed $1.6 million.

In his remarks concerning the earnings, Johnson stated, " The impact of all the expense reductions and revenue enhancements have not yet been fully realized, and I am therefore confident that earnings will continue to improve in the future."

Non-performing assets totaled $173.7 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $84.2 million at Sept. 30, 1989, an increase of 106.2 percent. During the three-month period from June 30, 1990, to Sept. 30, 1990, non-performing

assets increased $32.9 million or 23.3 percent. The increase in the third quarter is primarily attributable to two credits which had been identified at June 30 and factored into the level of reserves established at that time. Subsequently, management determined that placing the loans on a non-accrual status was appropriate although they had been performing according to terms up to that point.

The allowance for loan losses stood at $72.3 million at Sept. 30, 1990, vs. $13.3 million one year earlier. The allowance currently covers 50 percent of non-performing loans and management considers this to be a satisfactory level based on current conditions in the loan portfolio and in the local economy.

The provision for possible loan losses was $1.2 million for the third quarter of 1990, down from $5.2 million for the same period in 1989. Net charge-offs were $4.4 million in the current quarter vs. $1.1 million one year ago. In commenting on the level of reserves, Johnson stated, "By taking the action to increase the levels of the allowance during the second quarter, Statewide was able to return the quarterly provision to a normal amount in spite of the higher charge-offs and higher levels of non-performing assets. These situations had been identified and were reflected in the second quarter provisions."

The corporation's primary capital-to-asset ratio, as defined by the Federal Reserve's current capital adequacy guidelines, was 7.13 percent. This exceeds the minimum ratio of 5.5 percent currently required. As of Dec. 31, 1990, new regulatory guidelines covering risk-based and leverage ratios will become effective. If the risk based ratios were in effect at Sept. 30, 1990, Statewide would not satisfy the minimum requirements. The corporation is currently pursuing a number of alternatives including a previously announced downsizing of the organization in an effort to meet the new minimum requirements.

STATEWIDE BANCORP
(Dollars amounts in thousands)

Period ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net interest income	$15,342	$19,887	$ 45,410	$62,937
Net income	6,619	1,622	(89,625)	13,196
Primary earnings per share	.66	.16	(9.78)	1.25
Fully diluted earnings per share	.66	.16	(9.78)	1.25
At Period End: Total assets		$1,877,491		$1,939,706
Total loans, net	1,126,424	1,352,299		
Total deposits	1,734,047	1,671,542		
Stockholder's equity	66,750	168,746		
Allowance for loan losses	72,330	13,319		
Total capital to assets	7.13 pct.	9.32 pct.		
	Three months		Nine months	

Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Average Balances:				
Total assets	$1,903,789	$1,998,112	$1,948,581	$1,998,574
Total loans, net	1,206,010	1,371,034	1,297,859	1,374,501
Total deposits	1,764,084	1,721,707	1,730,328	1,703,780
Asset quality:				
Net charge offs	4,413	1,087	40,262	2,407
Allowance for loan losses to period end gross loans (pct.)	6.03	.98	6.03	.98
Net charge-offs to average loans (pct.)	.37	.08	3.10	.18
Percentage of non-performing loans to gross period end loans (pct.)	12.04	5.65	12.04	5.65
Percentage of non-performing assets to period end assets (pct.)	9.25	4.34	9.25	4.34
Non-accrual loans	134,245	25,056	134,245	25,056
Loans, past due 90 days or more	10,109	52,106	10,109	52,106
Other real estate owned	29,372	6,997	29,372	6,997

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BOUND BROOK, NJ (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Hosposable Products, Inc. (NASDAQ: HOSP), today reported net income of $313.2 thousand, or $.19 per share, on revenues of $4,352.5 thousand for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with net income of $148.6 thousand, or $.13 per share, on revenues of $4,198.3 thousand in last year's comparable quarter.

The results of the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, are a net income of $726.2 thousand, or $.54 per share, on revenues of $14,240.7 thousand. In the comparable period last year, net income was $309.8 thousand, or $.27 per share on revenues of $12,925.0 thousand.

The weighted average number of common and equivalent shares used in the third quarter per share figures were 1,612.8 thousand in 1990 and 1,151.4 in 1989. The increase in shares reflects the exercise of certain employee stock options and the purchase of 229,288 shares by Wyant and Company Ltd. (a Canadian corporation) in July of this year.

"A more profitable product mix coupled with stable raw material prices

contributed to the 110 percent increase in net earnings in the third quarter. While the weighted average number of common and equivalent shares increased 40 percent from the prior period, earnings per share increased 46 percent," commented Leonard Schramm, president and chief executive officer.

Schramm stated that he is optimistic that the continuing improvement in product mix will enhance operating results.

Hosposable Products, Inc., manufactures and distributes disposable incontinent products to the medical/surgical market. They also produce a wide range of non-woven fabrics utilizing the latest "air-laid" technology.

HOSPOSABLE PRODUCTS, INCORPORATED
Statement of Operations

Three Months ended Sept. 30;	1990	1989
Sales	$4,352,468	$4,198,330
Earnings before taxes	381,040	247,594
Net earnings	313,197	148,556
Net earnings per share	$ .19	$ .13
Weighted average number of common & equivalent shares used in the computation	1,612,794	1,151,388

Nine Months ended Sept. 30;	1990	1989
Sales	$14,240,669	$12,925,069
Earnings before taxes	1,050,472	518,887
Net earnings	726,245	309,832
Net earnings per share	$ .54	$ .27
Weighted average number of common & equivalent shares used in the computation	1,345,024	1,151,388

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BOISE, ID (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Morrison Knudsen Corp. (NYSE: MRN) today announced its selection to receive a contract worth approximately $60 million to build a 2,250-bed prison near Beeville, Texas.

The contract will be awarded to MK by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Beeville is located some 60 miles southeast of San Antonio. A maximum-security facility, the Beeville prison will be erected mainly with precast-concrete segments and includes 23 structures.

The contract will be the second recently awarded to MK by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Earlier this month, the company received notice of award to construct a 1,000-bed, medium-security prison near Dilley, Texas. MK also

is presently engaged in prison construction projects in New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Virginia, and Washington.

Morrison Knudsen Corp. is an international engineering/design, construction, environmental, rail systems, and mining company.

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BALTIMORE (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Stainless Corp. today announced net income for the third quarter of 1990 of $.4 million on sales of $44.5 million compared with net income of $3.0 million on sales of $48.4 million for the same period in 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990 Eastern earned $3.2 million on revenues of $139.6 million compared to net income of $12.7 million on revenues of $167.7 million for the same period a year ago.

According to its president, Robert C. Rubino, "Eastern's results for the third quarter have been impacted by lower selling prices for stainless plate products resulting from a slowdown in the economy." He added that the company expects the current reduced margins on stainless plate products to be offset somewhat by shipments from its newly refurbished stainless sheet facilities which are expected to increase over the next few months.

Eastern Stainless Corp. is a majority-owned subsidiary of Cyclops Industries Inc. (NYSE: CYC).

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ATLANTA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Health Images Inc. (NASDAQ: HIMG) today announced third quarter 1990 net income of $721,400 or $0.10 per share on net revenues of $12,207,900 as compared to third quarter 1989 net income of $492,400 or $0.08 per share on net revenues of $8,254,700.

Share earnings are calculated on 7,021,500 and 6,306,100 common share and dilutive common share equivalents outstanding for the 1990 and 1989 periods respectively.

Robert D. Carl III, president and chairman, commented: "Health Images continued its earnings progress in the third quarter of 1990. Strong same center revenue growth has offset the costs and expenses relating to our opening of six new imaging centers and one radiation oncology center during

the first nine months of 1990."

Health Images Inc. operates 24 magnetic resonance imaging centers and one radiation oncology center, manufactures magnetic resonance imaging scanners and provides equipment maintenance services for major medical diagnostic imaging equipment.

HEALTH IMAGES INC. OPERATING RESULTS
3 months ended Sept. 30

	1990	1989	Inc. (dec.)	Pct. inc. (dec.)
Gross patient service revenues	$12,892,600	$8,153,900	$4,738,700	58.1
Provision for uncollectible accounts and contractual adjustments	2,372,300	1,395,000	977,300	70.1
Net patient service revenue	10,520,300	6,758,900	3,761,400	55.7
Engineering revenue	1,654,700	1,407,200	247,500	17.6
Other inc. (Note A)	32,900	88,600	(55,700)	(62.9)
Total net revenue	$12,207,900	$8,254,700	$3,953,200	47.9
Operating costs	8,737,200	5,588,800	3,148,400	56.3
General and admin. expenses	1,198,200	1,068,300	129,900	12.2
Interest expense (net)	909,700	675,100	234,600	34.8
Total costs and expenses	$10,845,100	$7,332,200	$3,512,900	47.9
Income bef. prov. for income taxes and minority interest	1,362,800	922,500	440,300	47.7
Minority int. in income of consolidated entities	199,200	235,100	(35,900)	(15.3)
Income before prov. for income taxes	1,163,600	687,400	476,200	69.3
Prov. for inc. taxes	442,200	195,000	247,200	126.8
Net income	$721,400	$492,400	$229,000	46.5
Net income per share (primary)	$0.10	$0.08	$0.02	25.0
Avg. common shares and dilutive common share equivalents (primary)	7,021,500	6,306,100	715,400	11.3
Net income per share (fully diluted)	$0.10	$0.08	$0.02	25.0
Avg. common shares and dilutive common share equivalents				

(fully diluted)	7,021,500	6,306,100	715,400	11.3

HEALTH IMAGES INC. OPERATING RESULTS
9 months ended Sept. 30

	1990	1989	Inc. (dec.)	Pct. inc. (dec.)
Gross patient service revenues	$35,157,400	$22,407,000	$12,750,400	56.9
Provision for uncollectible accounts and contractual adjustments	6,399,100	3,954,500	2,444,600	61.8
Net patient service revenue	28,758,300	18,452,500	10,305,800	55.9
Engineering revenue	4,084,400	3,641,400	443,000	12.2
Other income (Note A)	84,900	578,600	(493,700)	(85.3)
Total net revenue	$32,927,600	$22,672,500	$10,255,100	45.2
Operating costs	$23,183,900	$15,159,400	$ 8,024,500	52.9
General and admin. expenses	3,359,500	2,962,000	397,500	13.4
Interest exp. (net)	2,553,500	1,672,000	881,500	52.7
Total costs and expenses	$29,096,900	$19,793,400	$ 9,303,500	47.0
Income before provision for income taxes and minority interest	3,830,700	2,879,100	951,600	33.1
Minority interest in income of consolidated entities	702,600	681,500	21,100	3.1
Income before provision for income taxes	3,128,100	2,197,600	930,500	42.3
Provision for income taxes	1,188,700	669,900	518,800	77.4
Net income	$ 1,939,400	$ 1,527,700	$ 411,700	27.0
Net income per share (primary)	$ 0.29	$ 0.23	$ 0.06	26.1
Avg. common shares and dilutive common share equivalents (primary)	6,752,200	5,657,900	1,094,300	19.3
Net income per share (fully diluted)	$ 0.29	$ 0.23	$ 0.06	26.1
Avg. common shares and dilutive common share equivalents (fully diluted)	6,791,400	5,657,900	1,133,500	20.0

(A) The company has changed its presentation of revenues from the company's radiation oncology center, which opened in January 1990. Estimated net

revenues from this center were previously reported as other income. Concurrent with this release, the company is recording such revenues as gross patient service revenue subject to provision for contractual allowances and uncollectible accounts.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Shell Oil Co. unveiled the oil industry's first retail methanol fuel dispenser in San Francisco today at a service station on Geary Boulevard and Cook Street. Shell will market the fuel , a mixture of methanol and gasoline, as part of a 10-year program to study "M85". The program is being conducted in partnership with the California Energy Commission (CEC).

The blend of 85 percent methanol and 15 percent unleaded gasoline can be used by fuel-flexible vehicles throughout the Bay Area. "We join the Energy Commission in learning more about M85," said Q.P. Graves, vice president, Shell Refining & Marketing Co. "We believe that by working together, we can help find out more about methanol's cost-effectiveness, potential consumer acceptance and toxicity risks.

"Through this program, we want to work with the Commission to see if methanol is part of the answer to the air pollution issue," Graves said.

To obtain the M85 fuel, drivers of fuel-flexible vehicles will use a cardlock, similar to a credit card, to activate the electronic dispenser and charge the transaction. Approximately 1,000 methanol- fueled cars, trucks and buses are on California's highways, and more than 5,000 are forecast to be in use by 1992. Many of these vehicles are in governmental and company car fleets.

Fuel flexible vehicles (FFVs) can function on fuel alcohol -- both methanol and ethanol -- unleaded gasoline, or any combination of these fuels. The vehicle's on-board computer automatically adjusts to the fuel mixture being delivered to the engine, and a driver needs only to choose the available fuel to put into the car's fuel tank.

Shell is purchasing the M85 fuel directly from the Energy Commission for dispensing at designated service stations. Under the current demonstration program, Shell is slated to have four such service stations in California. Another one began operations in Valencia this summer.

To gain firsthand knowledge of the fuel's performance, selected Shell employees are driving FFVs. Two vehicles are being used in the car fleet at Shell's Wilmington Manfacturing Complex near Los Angeles, and the remaining

vehicles are being used by sales teams who drive some 30,000 miles a year. A total of ten FFVs are involved in the test.

Shell joins four other oil companies participating in California's alternative transportation fuels demonstration program. In cooperation with the Energy Commission, the five oil companies are prepared to install and operate up to 69 methanol pumps in California by 1992. Currently 21 methanol pumps are operating in the state.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Advanced Medical Inc. (AMEX: AMA) today announced that its IMED Corp. subsidiary has signed a five- year agreement with American Healthcare Systems Purchasing Partners Ltd., a division of American Healthcare Systems.

Based in San Diego, American Healthcare Systems is a for-profit corporation owned by one of the largest healthcare networks in the nation. Through its shareholders, AmHS represents more than 1,000 not- for-profit healthcare facilities in 46 states, with combined revenues of over $18 billion.

The agreement provides IMED with preferential status for the supply of intravenous infusion devices and disposable administration sets to the member hospitals of the American Healthcare Systems. It is estimated that this contract will generate in excess of $80 million of revenue for IMED over the course of the agreement.

Dr. Richard Propper, Chairman and CEO of Advanced Medical, stated that the agreement serves as confirmation of IMED's technology leadership in infusion management systems. "We welcome this relationship and are proud to serve the prestigious institutions represented by American Healthcare Systems. It is the first in an anticipated series of strategic partnering arrangements both here and abroad designed to maximize the value of Advanced Medical's resident technologies."

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DETROIT (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. car and truck production this week is estimated at 220,160 units, down 2.2 percent from last week's actual build of 225,196, Ward's Automotive Reports said. This week's scheduled output also is

1.5 percent below same-week 1989's 223,452.

Ward's said this week's planned U.S. car production is 142,567, somewhat below the prior- and year-ago weeks. This week's assemblies increase the calendar 1990-to-date total to 5,341,994, 90.2 percent of last year's same-date output of 5,919,654.

U.S. truck production this week is estimated at 77,593, down slightly from last week's 78,269 actual output, and from year-ago's 79,347, Ward's reported. Estimated year-to-date truck output through the end of this week is 3,326,825 units, 95.3 percent of like-1989's 3,489,350.

Of this week's estimated U.S. car output, General Motors Corp.'s share is 44.2 percent; Ford Motor Co., 22.8 percent; Chrysler Corp., 11.6 percent; Honda of America Mfg. Inc., 6.5 percent; Mazda Motor Mfg. (USA) Corp., 3.4 percent; Toyota Motor Mfg. USA Inc., 3.2 percent; New United Motor Mfg. Inc., 2.9 percent; Diamond-Star Motors Corp., 2.4 percent; Nissan Motor Mfg. Corp., 2.2 percent; and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc., 0.8 percent.

NORTH AMERICAN FACTORY PRODUCTION

	This Week Estimated	Last Week Revised	Same Week Last Year	To Date 1990	To Date 1989	Pct. Change 1990 vs.1989
U.S.						
Cars	142,567	146,927	144,105	5,341,994	5,919,654	-9.76
Trucks	77,593	78,269	79,347	3,326,825	3,489,350	-4.66
TOTAL	220,160	225,196	223,452	8,668,819	9,409,004	-7.87
CANADA						
Cars	25,960	25,943	26,037	922,865	958,678	-3.74
Trucks	13,960	19,453	17,055	734,652	811,667	-9.49
TOTAL	39,920	45,396	43,092	1,657,517	1,770,345	-6.37
U.S./CANADA						
Cars	168,527	172,870	170,142	6,264,859	6,878,332	-8.92
Trucks	91,553	97,722	96,402	4,061,477	4,301,017	-5.57
GRAND TOTAL	260,080	270,592	266,544	10,326,336	11,179,349	-7.63

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Network Technology Corp. (NASDAQ: CMNT) (CNT) today announced the signing of an agreement for distribution of its Extended Channel Networking products by Kanematsu Electronics Limited (KEL) of Japan.

As part of this transaction, KEL and Kanematsu-USA have also agreed to purchase 436,364 shares of CNT common stock at a price of $2.75, resulting in a total investment of $1.2 million. It is anticipated that the funding of

this stock purchase will occur before the end of this year, following review by the appropriate Japanese government agencies.

Mac Lewis, president and CEO of CNT, commented: "We enjoy a good relationship with KEL and feel that Japan offers an excellent market for our products. KEL has both existing customer contacts and a focus on customer satisfaction that should enable CNT products to rapidly achieve market leadership in Japan."

KEL is a subsidiary of the multi-billion dollar parent, Kanematsu Corporation, a leading integrated trading company in Japan. KEL markets and supports a range of computer peripheral equipment, communication systems and industrial CAD/CAM application systems.

Computer Network Technology Corporation develops, manufactures and markets high-speed Extended Channel Networking products for the interconnection of mainframe computers, computer peripheral devices, and data base computers over unlimited distances. The company's common stock is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol CMNT.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - C&P Telephone company today announced the election of Dr. Franklyn G. Jenifer, president of Howard University, to its board of directors.

Dr. Jenifer is a native of Washington and holds bachelor of science and master of science degrees in microbiology from Howard. He received his doctorate in plant virology from the University of Maryland in 1970. He holds honorary degrees from several major colleges and universities around the nation and is a past director of Shawmut Bank, N.A.

Commenting on Dr. Jenifer's election, C&P President Delano E. Lewis noted: "Dr. Jenifer brings a wide range of experience and expertise to C&P. We are honored to have such a distinguished educator and member of the Washington community on our board."

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DALLAS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwest Airlines (NYSE: LUV), in celebrating 20 years of service, is offering special Senior Fares starting as low as $20.

"Because many of our customers of 20 years ago are now over 65, we wanted to

thank them for helping make Southwest what it is today -- the eighth largest carrier in the nation based on customers carried -- a major airline with annual revenues over $1 billion," said Donald G. Valentine, vice president-sales and marketing for Southwest. "Seniors 65 and over can fly on any of our published routes for $20 to $79 one way."

For seniors wishing to go from Dallas (Love Field) to Amarillo, Austin, Houston (Hobby or Intercontinental), Little Rock, Lubbock, Midland/Odessa, Oklahoma City, San Antonio, or Tulsa, the special fare is $20 one way. From Dallas to Albuquerque, Corpus Christi, El Paso, Harlingen, and New Orleans, the Senior Fares are only $40 one way.

Senior Fares from Phoenix are $20 one way to Albuquerque, El Paso, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Ontario, and San Diego; and $79 one way for a trip as far as Birmingham, Chicago (Midway), Corpus Christi, Detroit (City and Metro), Harlingen (South Padre Island), Indianapolis, Houston (Hobby), Little Rock, Nashville, New Orleans, St. Louis, and Tulsa.

From Houston Hobby to Austin, Corpus Christi, Dallas (Love Field), or Harlingen (South Padre Island), Senior Fares are only $20 one way. From Houston Hobby to Burbank, Chicago (Midway), Detroit (City and Metro), Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Oakland, Ontario (Calif.), Phoenix, San Diego, and San Francisco, Senior Fares are $79 one way.

Senior Fares from Chicago (Midway) to Detroit (City and Metro), Kansas City, and St. Louis are just $20 one way; and from Chicago (Midway) to Albuquerque, Austin, Corpus Christi, El Paso, Houston (Hobby), Harlingen (South Padre Island), Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Midland/Odessa, Ontario, Phoenix, San Diego, San Antonio, and San Francisco fares are only $79 one way.

Southwest Airlines serves 30 cities in 14 states, and will add Reno service on Nov. 15. For further Senior Fares information, call the local Southwest Airlines reservations number.

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LAKEWOOD, CO. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Plains Petroleum Co. (NYSE: PLP) announced today completion of its previously announced acquisition of McAdams, Roux and Associates Inc. (MRA). Plains delivered approximately 243,000 newly issued shares of its common stock to the shareholders of MRA and assumed approximately one million dollars in debt and other net current obligations. The merger of MRA into Plains' wholly owned subsidiary, Plains Petroleum Operating Co., was first announced April 3, 1990, but was delayed pending settlement by MRA of certain litigation.

Plains produces, develops and explores for oil and gas in the Midcontinent, Permian Basin, Gulf Coast and Rocky Mountain regions of the United States. The company's reserve base is 90 percent natural gas and the balance oil. Plains is a Colorado-based company with additional offices in Lakin, Kan. and Midland, Texas.

CONTACT: Darrel Reed of Plains Petroleum Co., 303-969-9325; or Jim Fingeroth or Tracey Stearns of Kekst and Co., 212-593-2655 for Plains Petroleum Co.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc., announced today it has established a nationwide, toll-free, Tax-Tip Telephone Hotline offering up-to-date advice on how to minimize taxes.

Starting Monday, Nov. 5, you can dial 1-800-637-1779 for the latest tax tip. A different message will be offered each week through Dec. 14.

By staying on the line once the message is over, you can obtain a free brochure titled "43 Tax-Saving Ideas for Investors."

CONTACT: Fred Yager, 212-449-7355, or Bobbie Collins, 212-449-7282, both of Merrill Lynch

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CLEBURNE, TX (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - United Heritage Corp., Cleburne, Texas-based holding company engaged in the production and sale of lite beef, cattle, and recreational marine products, announced the successful results of recent meetings with Mark Skaggs, president, David P. Clegg, director of meat and seafood sales and operations, and Rick O'Brien, director of marketing for the Jewel Osco supermarket chain in Florida.

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CONTACT: Walter G. Mize or Cindy Rigby, both of United Heritage Corp., 817-477-5324 or 817-641-3681

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RICHMOND, VA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Owens & Minor, Inc. (NYSE: OMI) announced that its Board of Directors approved the payment of the fourth quarter cash dividend in the amount of $.065 per share. The cash dividend is payable on December 31, 1990 to stockholders of record as of December 14, 1990. The Company has paid a cash dividend consecutively every year since 1882, except for one year during the Great Depression era. The Company currently has approximately 8,383,000 common shares outstanding.

Owens & Minor, Inc. is a wholesale distributor of medical and surgical supplies, pharmaceuticals and other related products. Through its Vangard Labs subsidiary, the Company also packages generic and brand-name pharmaceuticals.

CONTACT: Glenn J. Dozier, Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, Owens & Minor, Inc., 804-965-2945

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BILLINGS, MT. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Crown Butte Resources Ltd. (Toronto, Vancouver: CBL), owner of the New World Property in Park County, Mont., and Noranda Exploration Inc., the project manager, report the following New World results:

Project Drilling continues on the New World Property with three core drills. Three reverse circulation drills were demobilized as of the 26th of October. Total 1990 exploration drilling has reached 93,979 feet in 220 holes.

Miller Creek Area One core drill is currently drilling infill holes, and one reverse circulation drill worked three weeks in October on step out delineation holes. Drilling continues at the north end of the main Miller Creek deposit, in an unusually thick, laterally continuous zone of mineralization encountered by drilling in holes: 90-618, 619, 635, 636, 640, 641, 665, 670, 681 and 683. These holes intercepted 70, 85, 70, 30, 70, 75, 30, 85, 75, and 50 feet respectively, of hematite-sulfide skarn (assays below). This thick zone now remains open only to the west of the north end of the deposit.

The main Miller Creek zone also remains open on the west and south edges of the deposit in the vn?ity of holes 90-643 and 90-647 respectively (assays below).

On the southeast end of the main Miller Creek deposit step out hole 90-600 (reported 25th of September, 1990) intercepted 25 feet of 0.344 opt gold. Additional 100 foot offsets in this zone include 90-653 (15 feet of 0.484 opt Au), 90-654 (10 feet of 0.162 opt Au), and 90-655 (20 feet of 0.309 opt Au). Delineation drilling is complete in this area. Infill core drilling will be required during the 1991 season.

Holes 90-644, 646, 663, 666, 667, 668 and 669 reported no significant assays. Assays are pending on 9 holes.

EXPLORATION TARGETS First round drilling (seven holes) was completed in the T-Zone target located 1200 feet south of the Miller Creek deposit. Two of these holes intercepted 30 feet of pyrite replacement mineralization of skarn altered and bleached Meagher Limestone. One of these holes encountered 10 feet of 0.035 opt Au and 0.63 percent Cu. A new drill proposal has been submitted and permitted for 1991 drilling.

Nine drill holes have been completed on IP targets identified within the Fisher Mountain intrusive complex. Six holes report no significant assays, and assays are pending on three holes, one of which encountered 30 feet of skarn and massive sulfide mineralization. This drill program will be completed during the 1991 season.

Noranda Inc. of Toronto has an option to ultimately acquire up to 60 percent of Crown Butte's common shares subject to certain conditions.

Crown Butte Resources Ltd. is engaged in the exploration and development of precious metals. The company's common stock is traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange and the Vancouver Stock Exchange, symbol CBL.

CONTACT: David B. Rovig, president of Crown Butte Resources Ltd., 406-245-9520

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BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Patrick Dempsey has signed a first-look multi-picture development deal with Twentieth Century Fox for projects which he will star in and produce for his company, Dempsey-Parker Productions, it was announced Oct. 30 by Roger Birnbaum, president, World-Wide Production, Twentieth Century Fox.

Birnbaum commented: "Patrick Dempsey is one of Hollywood's brightest young stars. We look forward to working with him as he expands his career to

produce as well as act in his own films."

Together with his manager and producing partner, Rocky Parker, Dempsey has established offices on the Fox lot. Parker is herself a multi-faceted talent with many stage and television acting credits, including the off-Broadway production of "Brighton Beach Memoirs."

Glenn Adilman, formerly story editor for Silver Pictures, has been named director of development for the new company. A graduate of USC's Peter Stark Producing Program with a master in business administration from Columbia University, Adilman was formerly with the Leo Burnett advertising agency in Chicago.

Dempsey has starred in Phil Alden Robinson's "In the Mood," Joan Micklin Silver's "Loverboy," Joe Roth's "Coupe de Ville" and the critically acclaimed "Some Girls" and "Can't Buy Me Love." Dempsey made his film debut in Michael Dinner's "Heaven Help Us." He recently completed "Run," a thriller for Hollywood Pictures which is scheduled to be released in the spring of 1991.

Twentieth Century Fox is primarily engaged in the financing, development, production, distribution and marketing of motion pictures throughout the world and is a unit of Fox Inc.

CONTACT: Terry Clifford of Twentieth Century Fox, 213-203-3497

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#90305p2405 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Horizon Healthcare Corp. (NYSE: HHC) today announced the establishment of a pharmacy joint venture to service its 17 nursing homes in Ohio. Horizon's joint venture partner is Medi-Save Pharmacy Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Hillhaven Corp.

"This agreement is a significant first step in our previously announced plan to expand into higher margin pharmacy services," commented Neal Elliott, Horizon's chairman and CEO. "Because of the significant improvements we have made in our financial position, operating results, and cash flow during the last seven quarters, we can now make this important investment in growth."

The pharmacy joint venture will allow Horizon to enhance its services and share in the profits from pharmaceuticals, IV and nutritional therapies, and respiratory therapy in its large Ohio patient base. The joint venture will commence on Nov. 1, 1990, and when fully phased in will make a significant contribution to revenue and profitability.

Elliott noted, "We are looking to develop a similar pharmacy operation in our New Mexico region. This new pharmacy service will complement the home health and rehab therapy clinics started in New Mexico in June which are already

contributing to our improved operating results." Additional home health and rehab clinics are being evaluated for Ohio.

"Establising Horizon as a full-service provider of care for the elderly," Elliott added, "better positions us to continue our earnings growth from higher revenues and improving profit margins."

Horizon Healthcare, as of Aug. 31, 1990, operated in eight states a total of 45 long term care facilities with 4,720 beds, three retirement housing facilities with 139 apartments, and one assisted living facility with 167 units.

CONTACT: Klemett L. Belt of Horizon Healthcare Corp., 505-881-4961

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#90305p2406 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Hallwood Realty Partners L.P. announced today that it has completed the consolidation of limited partner interests in eight limited partnerships sponsored by Equitec Financial Group.

Under the terms of the consolidation, the former Equitec limited partners will receive newly issued limited partner interests in Hallwood Realty Partners L.P. These interests will be listed and traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "HRY" effective Friday, Nov. 2.

The partnerships in the consolidation include Equitec 83 Real Estate Investors Equitec Real Estate Investors Fund XIII, Equitec Real Estate Investors Fund XIV, Equitec Real Estate Investors Fund XV, Equitec Real Estate Investors Fund XVI, Equitec Real Estate Investors Fund 17, Equitec Real Estate Investors Fund 18 and Equitec Real Estate Investors A.

Said William L. Guzzetti, president of Hallwood Realty Corporation, the general partner of the new partnership, "The closing of this transaction marks a significant step forward for all the partners in this consolidation. We look forward to implementing our objectives of value enhancement and cost efficiency in order to aggressively grow and manage the assets in the partnership, while providing partners with heretofore unavailable liquidity."

Hallwood Realty Corporation is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Hallwood Group (NYSE: HWG) which directly and through subsidiaries and affiliates, conducts a wide range of business activities in the fields of merchant banking, real estate, energy, textile products, restaurants, hotels and automotive parts distribution.

CONTACT: James N. Fingeroth or Mary T. Conway of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Hallwood.

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OAK BROOK, IL (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Spiegel, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SPGLA) announced today the office of the comptroller of the currency has informed the company that it may proceed with the acquisition of First Consumers National Bank, Portland, Ore. Transfer of ownership of the bank, formerly a wholly-owned subsidiary of ITT Financial Corp., is effective Nov. 1, 1990.

In addition, Thomas W. Staroba was named president of First Consumers National Bank (FCNB).

FCNB is a special purpose bank limited to the issuance of credit cards. The bank will assume issuance and management of all credit accounts for Spiegel and its subsidiaries Eddie Bauer (Redmond, Wash.) and Honeybee (Huntingdon Valley, Pa.) at the beginning of 1991.

"The purchase of FCNB allows Spiegel and its subsidiaries to improve service to our customers," said John J. Shea, Spiegel vice chairman, president and chief executive officer.

"Customers will have one consolidated credit account which can be used at all Spiegel catalog and retail companies.

"In addition, FCNB will allow Spiegel to consolidate and improve current credit operations, and provide opportunities for exploring and developing mutually beneficial marketing synergies between subsidiaries," Shea said.

In announcing Staroba's appointment as president of FCNB, Shea said "Tom brings a valuable background in retail credit management and extensive knowledge of Spiegel and its customers to the bank."

A 14-year veteran of Spiegel, Staroba, 43, was most recently manager of corporate credit of the retailer.

Spiegel, Inc. is the nation's largest in-home direct marketer and a leading specialty retailer. The company markets wearing apparel, household furnishings and other merchandise through semi-annual and specialty catalogs distributed to more than 30 million U.S. households. Spiegel's Class A non-voting common stock trades on the NASDAQ National Market System.

CONTACT: Debbie Koopman of Spiegel, 708-218-7980

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#90305p2413 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Hollingsead International, a leading manufacturer of avionics systems since 1967 has been acquired by De Crane Aircraft Holdings Company of Cleveland. The acquisition was announced today by Robert Hollingsead, founder and president.

Robert Hollingsead has signed a three-year agreement with De Crane to provide ongoing consulting services. He has also been named a member of the De Crane board of directors and will continue on the Hollingsead board of directors.

The Hollingsead acquisition represents the first in a series of planned acquisitions by De Crane to develop an operating group of companies which manufacture and market aircraft electronics and landing gear components.

When Robert Hollingsead established Hollingsead International more than two decades ago, the company's first product was a patented line of Box-Mount avionic support structures. Since then, he has been awarded more than 30 patents and has become a driving force in the industry to develop avionic racking systems.

Hollingsead is a recipient of the prestigious Volare Award from the Airlines Avionic Institute (AAI), in recognition of his efforts and success in achieving increased reliability for avionics. He was elected chairman of the AAI for two terms: 1987-88 and 1989-90.

Today, Hollingsead is the only company in the world exclusively engaged in the research, design and manufacture of avionic racks, trays, mounts and associated hardware structures for interconnecting avionic electronics. Hollingsead offers an array of off-the-shelf and customer products, including an Avionics Interface System designed to support TCAS (Traffic Collision Avoidance Systems). With the domestic TCAS installation deadline still two years away, Hollingsead has secured orders to supply this system to more than half of the 4,600 aircraft the FAA estimates to be in the U.S. commercial airline fleet.

Hollingsead, which employes 90 people at its Santa Fe Springs, Calif., corporate headquarters houses a 52,000-square-foot manufacturing facility. The company will also maintain its Salisbury, Wilshire, England-based affiliate, Hollingsead International Limited, which employes 10 people. This organization was launched in 1989 to provide marketing, sales, engineering support and product manufacturing, assembly and service for clients throughout the United Kingdom, Scandinavia, and Europe.

CONTACT: Meg Waters or Joan Gladstone of Gladstone PR, 714-253-6161, for Hollingsead International.

-30- 2738

#90305p2415 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Dayton Hudson Corporation (NYSE: DH) was recently honored by Financial World Magazine for outstanding financial communication in its annual reports to shareholders. The corporation was one of 11 companies to receive a Vintage Award recognizing long-term excellence in its annual reports. Since 1970, the corporation has won two silver awards and two gold awards in the annual Financial World competitions.

Dayton Hudson's 1989 annual report also captured a first-place bronze award as the best document in the retail industry. The corporation's annual reports have consistently placed first or second among retailers' annual reports for many years.

Financial World magazine has sponsored the annual competition for fifty years to encourage high quality disclosure to investors in corporate annual reports.

CONTACT: Ann Barkelew of Dayton Hudson Corporation, 612-370-6600

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#90305p2416 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Comstock Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: CMRE) announced the status of its ongoing development of its 54,000 acre Bivins Ranch lease located in Moore, Potter, Oldham and Hartley Counties, Texas. To date, Comstock has eight wells fully completed and producing in lower non-engineered zones. An additional 45 wells have been perforated and acidized and are currently scheduled for fracture treatments and will be brought into production during the month of November. Comstock has scheduled 83 wells to be completed in Blocks 1 and 2 by the end of 1990 with the remaining 15 wells located in Block 3 scheduled for completion in the first quarter of 1991 when a gas pipeline connection should be available. Average daily production is currently 85 barrels of oil per day and 1,300 mcf of gas per day which will increase substantially by Nov. 30, 1990 as the 45 new wells are brought on line.

The majority of the wells are being completed in lower zones which were not engineered with proved reserves. The production resulting from these lower zones should add significant additional oil reserves when combined with the engineered upper zones. Current production and test results on the non-engineered lower zones indicate an average of seven to 10 barrels of oil and 20 to 30 mcf of gas per well per day is being contributed by the lower zones. Comstock estimates that these lower zones could contribute a total of 581 to 830 barrels of oil and 1,660 to 2,490 mcf of gas per day by the end of 1990. In addition, Comstock began testing the engineered upper zones in 10 wells late last week.

Comstock Resources Inc. owns and manages income producing assets in oil, casinghead and natural gas, precious metals and real estate, with subsidiary operations since 1865.

CONTACT: M. Jay Allison of Comstock Resources, 214-701-2100

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#90305p2418 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific-Atlanta, Inc. (NYSE:SFA), announced that on Nov. 1, its board of directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on its common stock of four cents ($.04) per share.

The dividend is payable on Dec. 12, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 21.

Scientific-Atlanta Inc. is a leader in cable television equipment and satellite-based communications networks, and is a key supplier of electronics instruments and systems for industrial, telecommunications and government applications.

CONTACT: Robert S. Myers of Scientific-Atlanta, 404-441-4608

-30- 770

#90305p2420 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

VOORHEES, NJ (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - American Water Works Company today reported net income to common stock of $18.2 million, or 60 cents a share, for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $15.9 million, or 52 cents a share, for the period last year. Earnings per share for the quarter reflect 4 cents related to a California regulatory decision permitting a subsidiary to recover revenues lost due to mandatory water rationing.

Revenues for July through September increased by 8 percent over those of a year ago despite the fact that water sales volume remained at the weather-depressed level of last year, according to company president James V. LaFrankie. "Summer rainfall over most of the areas served by the company's subsidiaries was about 15 percent above normal this year," LaFrankie said, "just as it has been in 1989." Operating expenses were 5 percent above those for the quarter last year. Income deductions, primarily interest on funds borrowed, increased by 15 percent over those for the quarter a year ago.

Net income to common stock for the nine months through September was $40.4 million, or $1.33 a share, compared with $40.1 million, or $1.32 a share, for the period last year.

On Oct. 26, a Massachusetts jury awarded the company compensation for assets taken by the town of Grafton in 1988. The decision, which is subject to appeal, if upheld, will provide net income of about $3 million.

American Water is the nation's largest investor-owned water supplier. Its subsidiaries serve about 5 million people in 20 states.

CONTACT: J.V. LaFrankie, president of American Water Works, 609-346-8200

-30- 1823

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HOUSTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Bolstered by higher than normal electric sales from hot summer weather, increased deferrals and non- recurring income, Houston Industries Incorporated (HI) today reported improved earnings for the third quarter and 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Consolidated earnings were $209.2 million or $1.64 per share for the third quarter of 1990, up from $141.2 million or $1.12 per share for the third quarter of 1989. Consolidated earnings for the first nine months of this year were $277.9 million or $2.19 per share, compared to $283.1 million or $2.28 per share for the same period in 1989. For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, HI reported consolidated net income of $408.2 million or $3.22 per share, compared to earnings of $330.3 million or $2.69 per share for the same period last year.

The improvement in HI's earnings for the third quarter and the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, resulted primarily from increased earnings at Houston Lighting & Power Company (HL&P), HI's electric utility subsidiary. HI's year-to-date earnings declined primarily because last year's earnings for the same period reflected a gain from the sale of HI's oil and gas assets.

HL&P reported income after preferred dividends of $219.7 million for the third quarter of 1990, up from $157.7 million for the third quarter of 1989. HL&P's earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $316.2 million, compared to $306.5 million for the same period in 1989. For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, HL&P's earnings were $447.0 million, including $70.3 million related to the settlement of a 1982 rate order, compared to $345.5 million a year earlier.

The increase in HL&P's third quarter earnings resulted primarily from a 7.3 percent increase in kilowatt-hour (KWH) sales, reflecting the impact of this summer's unseasonably warm weather, and the recording of additional deferrals related to the South Texas Project (STP) authorized as part of HL&P's recent rate decision. Residential sales climbed 11 percent, while commercial sales and industrial sales increased by 5.2 percent and 5.6 percent, respectively. In June of this year, the Public Utility Commission of Texas granted HL&P increased electric rates and authorized the use of deferred accounting for STP Unit 2 retroactive to its commercial operation date of June 1989. In addition concurrent with the implementation of new rates, HL&P began recording a deferred return associated with its investment in STP Unit 1 not reflected in rates. Additional revenues resulting from the higher electric rates were substantially offset by increased operating expenses.

HL&P's earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were favorably impacted by the factors discussed above. KWH sales for the first nine months of this year were 3.1 percent higher than sales for the same period in 1989. However, year-to-date earnings for 1990 were negatively impacted by approximately $29 million due to the write-off of certain costs of STP and other effects of regulatory decisions in HL&P's general rate case in the second quarter.

KBLCOM Incorporated (KBLCOM), HI's cable television subsidiary, reported a loss of $18.0 million for the third quarter of 1990, an improvement of $2.1 million over the same quarter in 1989. For the nine and 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, KBLCOM experienced losses of $56.7 million and $73.1 million, respectively, compared to $56.2 million and $57.8 million for the same periods last year.

Improvements in KBLCOM's third quarter results are primarily related to higher revenues and improved profit margins. The increased loss for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, related to the cable systems acquired in March of last year. Results for the nine and 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989, include only seven months of operations of the acquired systems.

Utility Fuels, Inc. (UFI), HI's coal supply subsidiary, reported earnings of $7.8 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared to $9.4 million for the same period a year earlier. UFI's net income for the nine and 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $27.3 million and $39.0 million, respectively, compared to $28.7 million and $37.5 million for the same periods last year.

Houston Industries is headquartered in Houston. Other subsidiaries include Houston Industries Finance, Inc., a receivables factoring company; and Development Ventures, Inc., a venture capital company.

CONTACT: S. J. Brendler of Houston Industries, 713-629-3123

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - National Steel Corp. announced plans today to begin construction of a new 85-oven coke battery complex at its Great Lakes Division, near Detroit.

The new facility, which will replace the No. 5 coke battery shut down in 1986, will cover approximately 18 acres and include 85 ovens, a by-products plant and coal and coke handling facilities.

When it becomes operational, the battery will produce 890,000 tons of coke per year and enable National's Great Lakes Division to produce about 60 percent of its own coke requirements.

Construction will begin within the next two months; operations are scheduled to begin in the fourth quarter of 1992. Final negotiations with prospective contractors are now being completed.

The new complex will meet or exceed all applicable federal, state and local environmental regulations. It will incorporate today's most advanced environmental technology, including: state-of-the-art emissions control systems, door designs and material handling systems.

National Steel Corp. is the nation's fifth largest steelmaker with production facilities in Ecorse, Mich., near Detroit; Portage, Ind., near Chicago; and Granite City, Ill., near St. Louis. The company is headquartered in Pittsburgh and employs about 12,000 people. It is owned 70 percent by NKK Corp. and 30 percent by National Intergroup Inc. (NYSE: NII). In 1989, National Steel shipped 4,957,000 tons of steel and had sales of $2.6 billion.

CONTACT: Robert R. Toothman of National Steel Corp., 412-394-4358.

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SEMINOLE, FL. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Gerald M. Benstock, chairman and CEO of Superior Surgical Mfg. Co., Inc. (AMEX: SGC), one of the nation's largest manufacturers of uniforms, career apparel and accessories, today announced that the board of directors had declared a regular dividend of $.18 per share, payable Nov. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 15, 1990. For 1990 the company's dividend payments will total $.72 per share, an increase of 20 percent over the $.60 per share paid in 1989.

The board also voted to increase its membership to seven, and thereupon elected Peter Benstock as a director. Benstock joined the company in 1983; he has worked in various sales positions, most recently as vice president.

Superior Surgical manufactures and sells a wide range of uniforms, career apparel and accessories for the hospital and healthcare fields; hotels; fast food and other restaurants; and public safety, industrial, transportation and commercial markets.

CONTACT: Gerald M. Benstock, chairman and CEO of Superior Surgical Mfg. Co., Inc., 813-397-9611

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#90305p2442 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

SIMI VALLEY, CA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Datron Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: DTSI) announced today that it has adopted a plan to repurchase, at its discretion, up to 250,000 additional shares of its Common Stock. The repurchase plan, if initiated, would be made through open market purchases and, if completed, will reduce the number of outstanding shares of the company's Common Stock by approximately 10 percent. The previously announced plan to repurchase 150,000 shares has been substantially completed.

Datron Systems plans to hold any repurchased shares as treasury stock for use in connection with present or future stock option and other compensation plans when, and if, approved by the Board of Directors.

David Derby, president and chief executive of Datron Systems, commented, "We have adopted this plan because the Board of Directors and I are highly confident about our company's long-term prospects."

Datron Systems Inc. is a leading designer/manufacturer of specialized communications systems and high quality radio products.

CONTACT: Douglas Sherk or Maria Quillard, 415-296-7383; or David Walke, 212-986-5900; all of Morgen-Walke Associates for Datron Systems Inc.

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#90305p2443 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Raymond J. Joy has been named Vice President of Finance, Pizza Group, for Pillsbury Brands, effective immediately. He reports to John N. Schwab, president, Pizza Group.

As vice president, Joy is responsible for the integrity of financial performance and the financial analysis and appraisal of business opportunities in the Pizza Group.

Joy has been with Grand Metropolitan PLC for seven years. Most recently, he served as vice president and controller of GrandMet Food Sector. Prior to that, he was finance director for Watney Truman, a London-based GrandMet company. Joy received his bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Wales.

Pillsbury Brands is part of the Food Sector of Grand Metropolitan PLC, a leading international food, drinks and retailing company with annual sales of approximately $15 billion. Other U.S. companies include Alpo Petfoods, Burger King, Grand Metropolitan Foodservice USA, Haagen- Dazs, Carillon Importers, Heublein, Paddington and Pearle Inc.

CONTACT: Terry Thompson of Pillsbury, 612-330-4768; or Marian Briggs of Padilla Speer Beardsley, 612-871-8877, for Pillsbury

-30- 1351

#90305p2444 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - LaBarge, Inc. (AMEX: LB) today announced results for its fiscal 1991 first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter were $15,238,000 compared to $15,476,000 recorded during the same period in fiscal 1990.

Earnings from operations for the quarter were $1,273,000, up from $1,185,000 recorded for the fiscal 1990 quarter.

Net earnings for the quarter were $218,000 compared to net earnings of $219,000 recorded for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. After giving effect to preferred stock dividends, earnings per common share for both the current and prior year quarters were nominal.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Danaher Corporation (NYSE: DHR) announced today that Ronald B. Kalich, 43 years old, and W. John Weinhardt, 39 years old have been appointed group executives of the company.

Kalich's career began at Westinghouse Electric before spending 15 years with Cooper Industries where he progressed to division president and group executive. For the past five years, Kalich held general manager and group executive positions with Forstmann Little and Company.

Kalich received his B.S.E.E. from Carnegie-Mellon University and his M.B.A. from the University of Pittsburgh.

Weinhardt spent the majority of his career with Bendix/Allied Signal. His most recent position was president and chief executive officer, Prestolite Wire Corporation, a subsidiary of Henley Group, Inc., where he supervised the company's successful turnaround. Prior to assuming the presidency of Prestolite at the end of 1984, Weinhardt had a broad background in functional areas, including manufacturing, marketing, product planning, business development and engineering.

Weinhardt has a B.S.M.E. degree from Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology and a M.S. degree in industrial administration from Purdue University.

Danaher Corporation is a leading manufacturer of tools, process/environmental controls and transportation products.

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BOSTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM (NYSE: IBM) Chairman John F. Akers today told an audience of high school and college educators that business has committed to a 10-year effort to thoroughly reform the U.S. educational system and help reach the educational goals set by President Bush and the nation's governors.

Speaking at the College Board National Forum here on the role of business in American education, Akers said, "Weakened education means a weakened work force, weakened international economic competitiveness, a weakened U.S. standard of living, and a weakened democracy. Business is prepared to do whatever it can to help."

Akers described the 10-year commitment of The Business Roundtable -- 200 chief executive officers of major U.S.-based corporations -- to stimulate education reform. Akers serves as chairman of The Business Roundtable's Education Task Force.

Nine Essential Components

Akers outlined for the audience nine essential characteristics of a successful education system identified by The Roundtable's Education Task

Force.

Those nine components are:

-- The system reflects four underlying assumptions: all students in a culturally diverse society can learn both basics and high-order skills; we know how to teach all students successfully; curricula must reflect high expectations; every child needs an advocate.
-- The system should be judged by the results it achieves.
-- Standards against which the system is assessed should be strong, and there should be effective ways to measure against those standards.
-- Schools should receive rewards for success, assistance to improve and penalties for failure.
-- Each school's staff should have a strong voice in running that school, including selecting its personnel, setting its curriculum and writing its budget.
-- A major emphasis should be placed on staff development.
-- A high-quality pre-kindergarten program should be established, at least for all disadvantaged students. This would include full funding for Head Start.
-- Health and other social services must be sufficient to reduce significant barriers to learning.
-- The system should make constructive use of technology to raise the educational productivity of both teachers and students.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Celltronics Inc. (NASDAQ: CELT), changed its corporate name to RF Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: RFIL) and will trade in the NASDAQ market under the new symbol "RFIL." The name change was approved by shareholders at their annual meeting held July 31, 1990. The company designs and produces RF connectors and transceiver links for the worldwide professional communications market.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Network Systems (NASDAQ: NSCO) today announced that its board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to 5 percent of its common stock, or approximately 1.5 million shares for the company's various employee benefit plans. The company, which had

approximately 29.4 million shares outstanding on Sept. 30, 1990, intends to purchase its shares from time to time in open market transactions.

Lyle D. Altman, president, said that this action was taken because the company's prospects for future growth and its very strong financial position are not adequately reflected in the current stock price.

Network Systems Corporation, based in Minneapolis, makes and markets high-performance data communication systems. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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DEERFIELD, ILL (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Gaylord Container Corporation (AMEX: GCR) had a net loss of $23.2 million, or $1.47 per share, for fiscal 1990 ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared with net income of $39.4 million, or $2.48 per share, for fiscal 1989. Net sales for fiscal 1990 totaled $718 million, down from $746 million a year earlier. Operating earnings declined to $41.4 million in fiscal 1990 from $113.5 million in fiscal 1989.

Commenting on fiscal 1990, chairman and chief executive officer Marvin A. Pomerantz said, "While fiscal 1990 was a difficult year, we did complete the final major components of our three-year, $300 million capital investment program. A new recovery boiler and a new state-of- the-art linerboard machine were installed at our Bogalusa, La. mill, and we rebuilt the largest linerboard machine at our Antioch, Calif. mill. Down time, production disruption and higher depreciation expense associated with these projects contributed to the loss for the year. We believe, however, that the increase in productive capacity and improved product quality resulting from the program will enhance our competitive position over the long term."

Pomerantz added that results were also adversely affected by lower product prices, higher fiber costs and an increase in net interest expense compared with the prior fiscal year.

The company had a net loss of $5.8 million, or $0.38 per share, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 compared with net income of $10.1 million, or $0.63 per share, a year earlier. Net sales increased to $202 million in the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter, up from $192 million in the year-ago quarter. Operating earnings, however, declined to $13.1 million compared with $30.7 million. The fiscal 1990 fourth quarter was a 14-week period compared with 13 weeks for the fiscal 1989 fourth quarter.

Pomerantz noted that mill production will be adversely affected in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 compared with the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 because

the fiscal 1991 first quarter has one less week in the period and because of down time taken at both the Bogalusa and Pine Bluff, Ark. mills for routine maintenance.

Gaylord Container Corporation is a major national manufacturer and distributor of corrugated containers, containerboard, unbleached kraft paper, multiwall bags and, through a joint venture, grocery bags and sacks.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Coca-Cola USA and Mattel Toys, each with a strong tradition of holiday presence, will join forces for the largest cross-coupon effort in the history of the toy industry.

The national "Toy Money" promotion will run from mid-November through the holiday season and will offer shoppers extraordinary savings on a variety of toys from Mattel and soft drink products from Coca-Cola USA. As many as 300 million Toy Money coupons, with a total value exceeding $700 million, will be available.

Specially marked soft drink packaging will feature the instantly redeemable coupons for savings -- ranging from $1 to $7 -- on Mattel's hottest toys.

"With Toy Money coupons on packaging for eight different soft drinks, this certainly is one of the most ambitious, multi-brand promotions we have ever attempted," said Theodore J. Host, senior vice president, Marketing, Coca-Cola USA. "It's a giant holiday present from Coca-Cola and Mattel."

Coca-Cola USA will kick off a multi-million-dollar advertising campaign to deliver promotional details to consumers. The campaign includes television, print and in-store advertising.

"There has never been a holiday push like this in the toy industry," said Thomas Romig, senior vice president, Marketing Services and Entertainment, Mattel USA. "The sheer number of coupons alone is staggering, but it's the joining of two industry leaders that makes the promotion a breakthrough approach."

Among Mattel's extensive array of popular items are Barbie dolls and accessories; Hot Wheels vehicles and sets; Disney infant and pre-school toys; and large dolls such as the Li'l Miss line, P.J. Sparkles and Magic Nursery.

Most two- and three-liter bottles of Coca-Cola products will offer holiday shoppers one 25-cent soft drink coupon and one Mattel coupon. Each multi-pack carton will carry four Mattel coupons.

Coca-Cola products which will feature Toy Money include Coca-Cola classic, caffeine-free Coca-Cola classic, diet Coke, caffeine-free diet Coke, Sprite, diet Sprite, Mello Yello and Minute Maid Orange Soda.

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#90305p2459 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE, (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. customers with electric hot water heaters will be offered the opportunity to receive a $16 annual credit on their electric bills thanks to an energy-saving initiative unveiled today.

The new program involves the placement of a control switch on residential electric hot water heaters. This switch will allow BG&E to automatically switch off the electricity to the heaters for no more than six hours at a time. These service interruptions, limited to a maximum of 12 times a year, will enable BG&E to better manage electrical use during periods of peak demand.

In return, BG&E customers will receive a $16 credit, divided into $4 increments reflected in June, July, August and September bills, respectively.

This latest initiative is part of BG&E's highly successful Energy Manager Program. The other key part of this program is the installation of control switches on heat pumps and central air conditioners. To date, more than 80,000 BGE&E customers have these radio-controlled devices installed. In return, they have received a $40 annual credit on their bills.

"It's important for our customers to remember that they will still be able to use the hot water that's left in the tank when power is initially shut off," said Ed Skoglin, manager of Marketing & Energy Services for BG&E. "In many instances, the effect will go unnoticed."

Installation of the switch is free and normally made weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. For more information, call BG&E Marketing & Energy Services Department at 800-666-5183.

Energy Manager is just one part of BG&E's Conserve 2000 program. Conserve 2000 is a comprehensive 10-year conservation and load management program intended to increase the energy efficiency of homes, offices and factories in Maryland. Its goal is to provide BG&E's customers with environmentally clean and affordable power now and in the 21st Century.

Elements of Conserve 2000 include various rate options, such as curtailable service, stand-by generation, and time of use metering. Other elements include

cool storage options, efficient lighting promotion, low-interest financing for energy saving improvements and extensive educational information.

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NEWARK, N.J. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Environmental Services of America, Inc. (NASDAQ: ENSA) today announced that its shareholders approved a one share for two shares reverse stock split at its annual meeting of shareholders held on Oct. 31, 1990. The reverse stock split will become effective on Nov. 19, 1990 and will result in the conversion of each outstanding share of the company's common stock, $.01 par value per share, into one-half (1/2) of one share of the company's common stock $.02 par value per share. To effectuate the stock split, the shareholders approved an amendment to the company's certificate of incorporation increasing the par value of the company's common stock from $.01 per share to $.02 per share.

Environmental Services of America, Inc., is a diversified environmental services firm specializing in the identification, management, remediation, preparation, transportation and disposal of hazardous waste and non-hazardous waste. Additionally, the company provides consulting services related to geological testing and underground storage tank compliance services for private and public entities. The company operates a TSD facility (treatment, storage and disposal) in New York State, which provides drum waste transfer and bulking services to clients in the Mid-Atlantic and New England states.

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#90305p2463 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON, (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - International and intercontinental ownerships and development of media operations are the surest way to foster freedom of the press worldwide, Allen H. Neuharth told a group of 125 European and American news executives here today.

"We all should be less afraid of being fleeced by foreign investors and more receptive to being fed and nourished by them," Neuharth told a conference of the Center for Strategic and International Studies at the Gannett Foundation Freedom Center here.

"Freedom ought to mean free choice. Those choices should be made by the public, not by governments. In this age of instant global satellite communications it is essential that the air waves belong to the people, not to the politicians," Neuharth said. He cited two barriers that should be broken:

-- Government prohibition in the U.S.A. of ownership of television or radio stations by anyone not a citizen of this country.

-- Government-owned and controlled television and radio in Western and Eastern European countries.

"While international barriers to print media are less restrictive than in the electronic area, there is a mindset among some media people themselves against 'foreign' investors. That's wrong.

"There are no longer any 'foreigners.' We are all neighbors in a huge global village. The developing free market economy worldwide and a totally free press are absolutely dependent on each other," he said.

Neuharth, who is chairman of the Gannett Foundation, founder of USA TODAY and former chairman of the Gannett Company, likened the psychological international barriers to those which existed between states and regions in the U.S.A. a decade or two ago.

"Tunnel thinking then decried The New York Times Company buying newspapers in California; Times-Mirror of Los Angeles acquiring East Coast newspapers; the Tribune Company of Chicago moving into Florida and Gannett expanding nationwide.

"The truth is that the resources and vision of those companies and others brought better information products to readers and viewers across the U.S.A. The same will happen as we break down barriers country to country and continent to continent and welcome the expertise and resources of others," Neuharth said.

"I am delighted at the foresight of Robert Maxwell, Rupert Murdoch and others in making media investments in Eastern Europe as soon as the walls came tumbling down," he added.

Neuharth saluted the Eastern European journalists especially the underground press, for helping end government control of the flow of information, but warned against any temptation to substitute "journalistic arrogance."

"All of us are naturally eager, sometimes overeager, to exercise new freedoms. The emerging free press in Eastern Europe must remember the mission is to search for the truth, with fair and balanced reporting. Of course, we should offer the public a wide range of opinions, but we must not substitute our own opinions for those of the government in our news columns or broadcast news reports."

The Gannett Foundation recently released a report on the state of press freedom in Eastern Europe. The report, "Emerging Voices: East European Media

in Transition," details findings of a Gannett Foundation fact-finding task force mission in Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland and Yugoslavia, and offers recommendations for assistance.

Neuharth announced that the Gannett Foundation has appropriated $10 million for 1991 to foster First Amendment freedom programs in the United States and around the world.

"Foundations can help and so can forms of government assistance. But in the end, the most important ally for a free press is the free-enterprise system. That's why we must break down barriers to globally oriented media companies," he said.

The Gannett Foundation is dedicated primarily to supporting national and community programs that foster the First Amendment freedoms of press, speech, assembly, petition and religion and the free exercise thereof by and for all peoples; secondarily to encouraging innovative programs and meeting needs that contribute to a better life in a free society.

The foundation, of Arlington, Va., is the nation's largest information-oriented foundation, with 1989 year-end assets of nearly $650 million. It spent about $30 million on grants, programs and operations in 1989.

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ELKIN, NC (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Brendle's, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: BRDL) an upscale discount department store, headquartered in Elkin, N.C. announces today the Grand Opening, Friday November 2, 1990 of its two newest stores, one in Lynchburg, Va. and one in Florence, S.C.

Both new 40,000 square foot stores will feature the new raceway design for ease of shopping.

The Lynchburg store is located in the new Candlers Station at 3700 Candler's Mountain Road. Mr. Steve Boone will be the Store Manager of the Lynchburg store. Mr. Boone has been in store management with Brendle's for four years.

The new Florence, S.C. store is located at 2853 David McCloud Blvd. in the new Florence Commons complex. This store replaces the one at 927 South Irby Road which Brendle's has operated since its buyout of Alexanders in 1985.

Mr. Bryan Stevens will continue to be the Store Manager of our Florence store.

These two new locations will be number fourteen and fifteen of sixteen new stores Brendle's will open during its aggressive 1990 campaign, bringing their total to 59 stores, throughout North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, and Georgia.

Brendle's is a public held company traded over the counter under the symbol BRDL.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - In a speech today before the Greater Houston Partnership, Continental Airlines (AMEX: CTA) Chairman, President and CEO Hollis Harris said that Continental is now paying $70 million more per month for jet fuel than it did before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

"Continental, along with the rest of the industry, is being burned by astronomical fuel costs and the recessionary movement of the economy. This is a devastating combination for all airlines which are watching their options narrowed by these incendiary economic forces," said Harris.

Harris noted that the price of domestic jet fuel has climbed from an average of 57.5 cents a gallon to as high as $1.28, an increase of 125 percent.

"The airline industry is now faced with an annualized $10 billion increase in fuel bills and a projected loss of more than $1 billion for the fourth quarter - a loss greater than the industry has experienced in an entire year."

Harris expressed confidence in Continental's ability to adjust to "the unprecedented circumstances facing the industry. I believe very strongly in the long-term strength and potential of Continental, and in our ability to survive this short-term crisis in a way that does not mortgage our future. Nevertheless, I have no allusions about the prospect of making some tough decisions as Continental charts a course through these troubled times so that we may resume our progress of becoming a world-class, global airline," said Harris.

Harris said his optimism for Continental's future was based on several factors including Continental's recent service enhancements, its new image campaign, its valuable assets, and its ability to manage the current crises by adopting fuel efficiency measures and streamlining operations.

"Once this crisis abates and the fuel market returns to normalcy, our newly developed image and service campaign will be fully deployed and the public will be hit with a broadside of new image and service enhancements that will

make Continental tough to beat."

On the subject of possible asset sales, Harris said, "Should it become necessary to sell certain routes, slots, subsidiaries or other operations to raise cash we will do so in the context of our long-term objectives for the airline. We are prioritizing away from asset sales or any move that will hurt our people."

On the subject of streamlining operations Harris added, "We will streamline operations by identifying under-utilized flights and trimming service in a way that will not effect the level of our customer service.

"These will not be easy decisions to make, but they are the right ones, and Continental will emerge from these troubled times. Of course we will need the city's help. Just as Continental stood by Houston during the Texas downturn, we will need you to stand by us as we face the challenges ahead. On behalf of the 37,000 members of the Continental team, and especially the 14,000 here in Houston, I want to thank Houston and the partnership for your support, and I ask that the travelling public fly with us," concluded Harris.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Christopher B. Hemmeter, chairman of Resort Income Investors Inc. (AMEX: RII), today announced the expansion of the board of directors to seven members and the election of Mark M. Hemmeter, Daniel D. (Ron) Lane, Jeffrey J. Rhodes and Peter V. Ueberroth to the board of directors. Lane, Rhodes and Ueberroth were elected as independent directors and Hemmeter was elected as an affiliated director. Other directors of the corporation are Christopher B. Hemmeter, James H. Adams Jr. and John R. Young.

Hemmeter also announced that the affiliated borrower of the Sint Maarten property has negotiated a replacement for the recently retired $3.5 million first mortgage on the property. The board of directors of RII has agreed to subordinate the company's $12.9 million loan to a new $4.0 million first mortgage. The $500,000 increase in the new first mortgage will be utilized by the affiliated borrower as an interest reserve for the first mortgage.

The company operates as a Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. As such, it is required to distribute to shareholders at least 95 percent of its taxable income each year to continue to qualify as a REIT.

Resort Income Investors Inc. (RII) is a Chicago-based REIT. RII is a lender focusing on the destination resort market and has a portfolio of participating pre-development mortgage loans made to affiliates of Hemmeter Corp.

The investment manager of RII is RC&H Inc. The investment manager is responsible for reviewing investment options and making investment recommendations to the RII board of directors.

RC&H Inc. is an affiliate of Hemmeter Corp., a company founded and headed by Hemmeter, the recognized leader in the development of luxury destination resorts. Previous developments of Hemmeter Corp. include the Hyatt Regency Waikiki at Hemmeter Center in Honolulu, the Hyatt Regency Maui, the Westin Kauai at Kauai Lagoons, the Westin Maui and the Hyatt Regency Waikoloa on the Big Island of Hawaii.

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#90305p2474 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ASHLAND, KY. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Ashland Oil Inc. (NYSE: ASH) today declared the regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the company's common stock.

The dividend is payable Dec. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 20, 1990.

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EVERETT, WASH. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Nearly two years of pressure tests on a pair of 747s have enabled the Boeing Commercial Airplane Group to set structural inspection requirements for 747 operation beyond original economic design goals according to engineers who conducted the test.

Everett Division engineers told 747 operators gathered in Seattle recently that the exhaustive tests produced two clear benefits for operators of the world's largest commercial jet: New inspection guidelines and verification of a redesign used in the 747D400.

"First, we feel that the tests verified areas that need detailed inspections and enabled us to define how often the inspections are needed to detect and deal with the effects of operating the plane beyond its original economic design goal which is 20,000 long range flights," said Ed Pottenger, Chief Design Engineer, Structures.

The findings stemmed from pressure tests conducted on a 747-100SR (Short

Range) model purchased from Japan Airlines after it had accumulated the equivalent of 20,000 long range flights. A flight is a takeoff, pressurization, depressurization and landing. Pottenger said that variation of pressure inside the fuselage as the plane changes altitude keeps the passengers comfortable. "The stresses produced by the changes in pressure causes structural fatigue," Pottenger said.

Boeing subjected the 747-100SR to an additional 20,000 full pressure cycles (as would be experienced in a long range flight), stopping every 1,500 cycles to conduct detailed inspections of pressure-critical structure for signs of damage.

"Basically, there were no surprises," said Kyatsandra Gopinath, Boeing Everett Division structures engineer who supervised the tests. "The cracks occurred where we expected them and grew pretty much as we thought they would."

He said selected cracks were not repaired once detected so that test engineers could monitor their growth patterns.

"With the results of our tests on the 747-100SR, we can define directed structural inspections at specific times past the 20,000 cycle design goal," Gopinath said. Pottenger added that the inspection team is working on a way to incorporate the new inspections into existing fleet maintenance and inspection schedules.

The second benefit of the tests was the confirmation of redesign work of the nose section and some unique features of the newest version of the 747, the 747-400. Pottenger d? Gopinath explained that on early model 747s, the structure of the nose section experienced pressure-related cracking.

Boeing feels the fatigue test complements the primary airworthiness assurance task force programs designed to ensure the continuing safe operation of aircraft beyond the economic design goal.

The first of these are the Federal Aviation Administration Airworthiness Directives requiring mandatory structural modifications produced earlier this year. This will be followed later this year by an additional Airworthiness Directive addressing corrosion prevention and control maintenance programs. Also important are the routine scheduled fleet maintenance and other inspection programs performed on a periodic basis.

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#90305p2479 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont's Health Horizons, a voluntary

program for employees who want to lead healthier lives, has received the Program Excellence Award from the Society for Public Health Education, Inc.

"Health Horizons is a model program that has achieved and maintained high standards that should be emulated by employee health promotion programs at other companies," said Karen Glanz, who presented the award.

Initiated in 1981, Health Horizons is a grass roots effort coordinated by more than 600 employees, many of them part-time volunteers, who are committed to helping improve employee health. It is offered at more than 100 Du Pont locations in 10 countries and includes programs on nutrition, weight and stress management, how to stop smoking, cholesterol and blood pressure control walking and physical conditioning.

The program was recognized for its long-range plan and well-defined goals, the many individuals involved in its planning and implementation, its educational opportunities to reinforce positive behavior change, and its evaluation component that provides insight into health education practice.

"The award is the direct result of efforts to provide a quality health improvement program on the part of employee coordinators, their health promotion committee members, medical personnel and corporate staff," said Dr. Robert L. Bertera, manager of Du Pont's health promotion programs. "The program is closely aligned with Du Pont's safety, health, environmental and business goals," he said.

The Society for Public Health Education Inc. is a national professional organization of more than 1,000 health education specialists dedicated to the improvement of health through education.

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#90305p2484 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, FLA. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Vincent S. Lamb, Jr., president of CTG/Scientific Systems Services (SSS), the manufacturing systems integration division of Computer Task Group (NYSE: TSK), announced today that the company's Pittsburgh operation has been awarded a $1.5 million contract from National Steel Corporation to provide software enhancements for its existing plant information system.

"The project involves system engineering and project management services to improve monitoring and tracking of budgeting and forecasting procedures for National's Great Lakes Steel (GLS) Division," Lamb said. "Implementing the information system will require the combined resources of SSS and its parent company -- CTG -- with SSS supplying systems integration services and CTG's Pittsburgh professional services branch providing technical support," he added.

James N. Howell, GLS Vice President and General Manager, said, "This final phase of our automated purchasing system will provide the Great Lakes Steel Division with a tremendous opportunity to improve our cost controls."

"The current contract expands our relationship with National Steel," Lamb said. "CTG has been providing computer systems and software to National Steel since 1984, and SSS began working with GLS in 1986."

The plant information system will be developed at the SSS Pittsburgh facility in RIDC Park. System engineers on 20 dedicated IBM PS/2s will be connected by a local area network to National Steel's corporate business computer over leased lines. Software will be enhanced using MicroFocus COBOL for information management systems.

Computer Task Group is an international consulting, systems integration and professional services company. Founded in 1966, CTG is listed on the NYSE. Staffed by more than 4,000 employees, CTG provides service through 65 offices in the U.S., Canada, the Netherlands, Belgium, Denmark, the United Kingdom and Germany.

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TORONTO (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Fahnestock & Co., Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Fahnestock Viner Holdings, Inc., announced today that Fahnestock & Co., Inc. had entered into a definitive agreement to acquire certain assets and personnel and substantially all of the business of New York & Foreign Securities Corporation. Subject to the usual regulatory approvals and certain other conditions, it is expected that New York & Foreign Securities Corporation will be merged into Fahnestock & Co., Inc. in December of this year.

Peter M. Toczek, presently president of New York & Foreign Securities Corporation, will become an executive vice president of Fahnestock & Co., Inc. and will be in charge of its institutional equity activities.

Fahnestock & Co., Inc. commented that it was its expectation that the well known execution and trading abilities of New York & Foreign Securities Corporation would be of considerable aid to Fahnestock & Co., Inc.'s institutional clients.

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#90305p2490 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEVELAND (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Society Corporation (NASDAQ: SOCI) today announced that it has completed the sale of Trustcorp Bank, Columbus, Ind., to First of America Bancorporation of Kalamazoo, Mich., for an undisclosed sum.

Society said it will enjoy a gain from the sale of the Indiana bank. Details of the total gain from this transaction and from the pending sale of two other Indiana subsidiary banks will be disclosed in Society Corporation's fourth quarter financial statements.

Society Corporation is one of the largest bank holding companies in the Midwest with assets of $15.6 billion at Sept. 30. The holding company has 370 offices in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Florida including 43 in Indiana. Through its affiliates, Society engages in commercial banking, consumer banking, mortgage banking and leasing, and provides trust and investment banking services.

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#90305p2494 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was distributed to all Cray Research (NYSE: CYR) employees today by John A. Rollwagen, chief executive officer.

TO: All Cray Research Employees
FR: John Rollwagen
SU: Parallel Career Paths

I am pleased to announce that six of Cray Research's technical experts have received significant promotions that recognize their outstanding contributions to the company's success. The following appointments have been made. Del Eberlein, Steve Nelson, and Tony Vacca each hold the position of vice president of technology. Carl Diem is vice president of marketing support. Irene Qualters is vice president of software development. And Dick Nelson has been appointed principal scientist.

All of these promotions support the Parallel Path philosophy, which is designed to ensure that technical contributors receive the same opportunities for career growth, reward, and recognition that are available to those who move up through the managerial ranks.

By enabling technical experts to move to top levels within the organization, we support a basic and critical concept -- Cray Research is technical excellence. In addition, providing equal career paths enhances our ability to

continue to attract and retain superior technical talent.

The recent promotions were based on the following criteria. Each of these people is or has:

-- recognized internally and externally as an expert in a key or emerging technology critical to company success;

-- recognized through publications or patents, and/or acknowledged in external professional associations and academic institutions;

-- acted as internal consultants to other projects on a particular discipline;

-- created new ideas, systems, and products which enhance Cray Research's business success;

-- used existing resources in a novel way;
-- applied technology from one field to a problem or opportunity in another ;

-- advanced learning and knowledge in a particular area, and
-- taken risks that demonstrate courage, sound judgment, and a balance of intuition and logic.

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#90305p2495 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
ARLINGTON, VA. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - A realignment of management responsibilities at the Battle Greek (Mich.) Enquirer was announced today by Gannett Co., Inc.

Robert B. Miller Jr., who had served as publisher since 1979, becomes chairman of the newspaper.

James T. Barnes succeeds Miller as publisher. He previously had been executive vice president/operations.

"Working together, Bob and Jim will continue to serve the best interest of both the Enquirer and the Battle Creek community," said Gary L. Watson, president of the Newspaper division.

"We understand and appreciate Bob's wishes to reduce his workload," Watson said.

Miller, 55, who has been the third generation of the Miller family to serve as publisher in Battle Creek, previously had served as president and publisher of The Idaho Statesman in Boise and The Daily Olympian in Washington state.

Barnes, 38, began his career with Gannett in the news department of the Port Huron (Mich.) Times Herald, where he rose to the position of managing editor.

He also has served as managing editor of the Monroe (La.) News Star; president and publisher of the Wausau (Wis.) Herald; president and publisher of the Marin (Calif.) Independent Journal and assistant to the president of Gannett West regional group.

Gannett is a nationwide news and information company that publishes 82 daily newspapers, including USA Today, and USA Weekend, a newspaper magazine. It also operates 10 television stations, 15 radio stations, and the largest outdoor advertising company in North America.

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#90305p2497 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

COVINGTON, LA. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - As previously announced, Graham Resources, Inc., together with affiliates of Prudential-Bache Securities Inc., have been reviewing the possibility of an initial public offering of the common stock of Graham through an exchange offer to 37 jointly sponsored partnerships, as well as the current shareholders of Graham. Today, Graham and Prudential-Bache jointly stated that they had determined not to further pursue such an offer to the Prudential-Bache Energy Income Funds and the Prudential-Bache Growth Funds at the present time.

Prudential-Bache and Graham predicated their decision on factors including the current state of the equity markets in general, the volatility in the markets for oil and natural has and the uncertain state of the economy caused in part by the events in the Middle East.

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#90305p2505 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) announced today that it has entered into an agreement with the Paksi Atomeromu Vallalat (PAKS), an agency for the government of Hungary, for a two-year exchange of information and visits between PE's nuclear group and personnel from the PAKS nuclear plant.

The agreement was formalized today in a signing ceremony in Atlanta between PE Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Joseph F. Paquette Jr. and PAKS General Manager Jozsef Ponya.

The agreement follows an exchange of visits earlier this year between Paks personnel and PE's Limerick Generating Station staff.

International sharing of nuclear power operating experience is fostered by the World Association of Nuclear Operators (WANO) which has its U.S. headquarters in Atlanta. WANO was formed following the Chernobyl Plant accident, to enhance the safe operation of commercial nuclear power on a worldwide basis.

Paquette said, "PE was a charter member of WANO and we feel very strongly that face to face sharing of experience and knowledge will enhance the record of safety in nuclear power throughout the world."

"Our earlier exchange visits with the staff of the well managed Paks plant were so productive for both parties that we are looking forward to continuing cooperation. Nuclear power will increase in importance as concerns for air quality and oil supply continue to be major international issues," Paquette said.

Under the agreement, periodic visits will be made by managers, technicians, and engineers to share information about a wide range of topics. The exchange, to include technical and scientific information along with observation of activities at each other's facilities is expected to lead to improved methods and performance for both companies in operating and maintaining their nuclear plants.

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#90305p2506 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&E Corp. (AMEX: ATW) today announced the completion at the end of the third quarter of its market trial of the RECEPTOR(TM) Personal Communications Systems (PCS) in Portland, Ore. Through Sept. 28, 1990, AT&E had 1,855 active subscribers to the RECEPTOR Personal Messaging Service. SEIKO(ii) RECEPTOR MessageWatch(i) receivers retailed at $225 per unit and subscribers pay a $12.50 monthly flat fee.

Based on a survey of its customers, AT&E believes that approximately 55 percent of its Portland subscribers were not using a paging service when they subscribed to the RECEPTOR Personal Messaging Service. Approximately 30 percent of the subscribers had never used a pager and about 25 percent had used paging services in the past. The remaining 45 percent of the subscribers were drawn from existing paging companies.

AT&E also announced that field testing of the RECEPTOR PCS in other U.S. and foreign markets has confirmed that the SEIKO RECEPTOR MessageWatch will operate without modification or adjustment in San Francisco, Washington D.C.,

Seattle, Philadelphia, Cincinnati and Paris, France.

As a result of the completion of the Portland market trial, AT&E will continue to provide service to its subscribers in Portland and will limit further market development activities there until the RECEPTOR Service Company for the region in which Portland is included has been financed.

The RECEPTOR PCS, utilizing AT&E's patented technology and designed to operate globally, is the world's first system to provide wireless personal communications services to business and consumer subscribers using a wristwatch receiver. The SEIKO RECEPTOR MessageWatch is being manufactured by Seiko Corp. of Japan.

AT&E's Common Stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange; its symbol is ATW.

(i) RECEPTOR and MessageWatch are trademarks of AT&E Corp.
(ii) SEIKO is a registered trademark of Seiko Corp.

CONTACT: Neil P. Parent of AT&E Corp., 415-951-1500

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#90305p2510 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MICH. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - First of America Bank Corporation (NYSE: FOA), based in Kalamazoo, has completed the acquisition of Trustcorp Bank - Columbus, N.A., in Columbus, Ind., from Society Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: SOCI) of Cleveland, announced Daniel R. Smith, chairman and chief executive officer of First of America. An agreement to acquire the bank was announced June 6, 1990.

Trustcorp Bank - Columbus, N.A., with assets of $103 million, has three offices in Columbus and two in Nashville, Ind. The bank will continue to operate under the name of Trustcorp bank until a signage and name change that is anticipated before year-end.

Smith commented, "The completed acquisition of Trustcorp - Columbus demonstrates our ongoing commitment to strengthen our presence in this important area of Indiana."

James W. Rose, president and chief executive officer of Trustcorp, commented, "We are extremely pleased to have completed the merger with First of America. We believe this affiliation will benefit our customers in the form of expanded products and increased services and our employees in the form of career opportunities. First of America is well-known for its community bank philosophy and for its emphasis and reliance upon local bank management in each of its affiliate banks."

First of America Bank Corporation, with more than $13 billion in assets, is headquartered in Kalamazoo. The company's 33 affiliate banks provide financial services to nearly 300 communities in Indiana, Illinois and Michigan through a network of more than 440 offices.

CONTACT: Richard D. Klein, 616-383-9011, or Michael L. Lindley, 616-383-9264, both of First of America Bank Corporation; or Heather Wietzel or Lee Glasner, 312-266-7800, or after 5 p.m., 312-489-4584, or Kathy Phelan, 212-661-8030, all of the Financial Relations Board, for First of America Bank Corporation

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#90305p2517 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler produced 84,323 passenger cars in its U.S. and Canadian assembly plants in October 1990. The company produced 84,951 cars in the U.S. and Canada in October 1989.

Truck production for October 1990 totaled 80,356 units. Of these, 47,430 were built in the United States.

Production figures for October 1990 compared with October 1989 are:

Models by Division	October		CY	CY
	1990(A)	1989	1990(A)	1989
Horizon	---	4,895	4,327	27,801
Reliant	---	---	---	---
Gran Fury	---	---	---	---
Sundance	11,175	8,332	75,762	86,607
Acclaim	16,053	12,932	99,378	108,329
TOTAL PLYMOUTH	27,228	26,159	179,467	222,737
LeBaron J	4,867	5,486	44,422	85,774
LeBaron A	---	---	8,071	5
LeBaron GTS	---	---	---	2,946
New Yorker C	2,861	3,839	32,761	68,423
Fifth Avenue	---	---	---	---
Y-Body	6,996	6,394	46,864	22,620
TOTAL CHRYSLER	14,724	15,719	132,118	179,768
Dynasty	12,759	11,038	101,000	111,095
Omni	---	5,486	4,078	29,697
Aries	---	---	---	---
Daytona	3,195	3,696	29,567	66,925
Diplomat	---	---	---	---
Lancer	---	---	---	1,528
Shadow	10,891	9,792	83,552	85,096
Spirit	12,900	11,502	88,444	93,207
TOTAL DODGE	39,745	41,514	306,641	387,548
TOTAL PASSENGER CARS				

- UNITED STATES	81,697	83,392	618,226	790,053
Premier	1,009	1,559	8,438	29,314
Monaco	1,617	---	10,823	---
Total Jeep/Eagle-Canada	2,626	1,559	19,261	29,314
TOTAL PASSENGER CARS-U.S. AND CANADA	84,323	84,951	637,487	819,367
Total Plymouth Truck	5,896	10,214	73,058	86,588
Total Dodge Truck	25,316	18,324	233,771	251,049
Total Jeep	16,218	16,409	148,636	219,021
TOTAL TRUCKS-U.S.	47,430	44,947	455,465	556,658
Total Plymouth Truck	8,499	10,920	84,096	105,264
Total Dodge Truck	17,937	22,782	179,605	213,920
Total Jeep	6,490	1,240	49,825	63,513
TOTAL TRUCKS-CANADA(B)	32,926	34,942	313,526	382,697
TOTAL TRUCKS-U.S. AND CANADA	80,356	79,889	768,991	939,355
TOTAL VEHICLES-U.S AND CANADA	164,679	164,840	1,406,478	1,758,722

Note: Jeep/Eagle Division production included.
(A) -- Figures are preliminary and subject to change.
(B) -- Dodge Ram Wagon, Dodge Ram Van, Dodge Caravan, Plymouth Voyager, and Dodge Mini Ram Van units built in Canada are also for sale in the United States.

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#90305p2519 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Federal Bank (NYSE: SFB) announced a 1/4-percent decrease in interest rates charged for its Lifetime Convertible Adjustable-Rate Mortgage loans. Adjustable-rate conventional home mortgage loans are now available at an interest rate of 7-3/4 percent for terms of five to 30 years. This is the lowest ARM rate the bank has offered in three years.

The bank also lowered the interest rates charged for its Fixed-Rate Mortgages and are available at the following:

-- 15-Year Fixed-Rate Mortgage 9-3/4 percent
-- 30-Year Fixed-Rate Mortgage 10-1/8 percent

To obtain these interest rates, the borrower will pay a 2-percent loan discount fee plus the normal application fee and out-of-pocket expenses.

"Standard Federal is leading the way to make home ownership more affordable," stated Thomas R. Ricketts, chairman and president of Standard Federal. "With these new lower rates, it's a great time to buy a house or to refinance an existing home."

Standard Federal Bank is headquartered in Troy and operates 115 branch offices throughout Michigan and Indiana and has current assets of approximately $9.4 billion.

CONTACT: William R. Yaw Jr. of Standard Federal Bank, 313-643-9600, or in Michigan, 800-482-3930, or in Indiana, 800-874-3716

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#90305p2520 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. (NYSE: PPL) is proud to be named the 1990-91 Utility of the Year by Electric Light & Power magazine, the company's top executive said Wednesday.

The brass plaque recently presented to John T. Kauffman, PP&L's chairman, president and chief executive officer commends the company for its "outstanding performance on behalf of its customers, employees and shareholders, and for responsible, caring corporate citizenship in its service territory."

"We've succeeded by moving forward with a quiet confidence," said Kauffman in accepting the honor. "We've succeeded through solid performance and accomplishment. We've succeeded by concentrating our efforts on providing our customers with reliable and economical electric service.

"This recognition of PP&L's performance is really a recognition of our employees and the skill, talent and dedication they bring to our operations each day. The success of our company rests with the ongoing strong support and professionalism of our employees.

"We're proud to serve the people of Central Eastern Pennsylvania, and we recommit ourselves to doing an even better job in the years ahead," Kauffman said. "I am proud to accept this award on behalf of our employees and in appreciation for the support of our customers and shareowners."

PP&L supplies electric service to a 10,000-square-mile area of 29 counties of centraleastern Pennsylvania. Among the communities it serves are Allentown, Bethlehem, Harrisburg, Hazleton, Lancaster, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and Williamsport.

CONTACT: H. James Marsh of Pennsylvania Power & Light, 215-770-5241

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#90305p2522 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today reported its U.S. assembly plants' schedule for the week of Nov. 5.

Newark (Del.) Assembly Plant will operate two nine-hour daily shifts next week.

The company reported that its Belvidere (Ill.), Sterling Heights (Mich.), Dodge City/Warren (Mich.) Truck, St. Louis II (Fenton, Mo.) and Toledo (Ohio) assembly plants will operate two eight-hour daily shifts next week.

St. Louis I (Fenton) Assembly Plant will operate a single eight-hour daily shift next week.

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#90305p2525 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Recomp Inc., a subsidiary of Bonneville Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: BPCO) and Battelle, Pacific Northwest Laboratory (PNL) have entered into an agreement granting Recomp exclusive rights, in the U.S. and Canada, to develop Battelle's process for converting incinerated waste ash into glass. This agreement will result in the construction and operation of the nation's first commercial ash glassification plant.

According to John T. Dunlop, president and CEO of Recomp, "Our companies have joined forces to develop a new technology that will convert ash residue, left after incinerating municipal solid waste, into glass for use as an aggregate in construction. Converting ash to glass prevents leaching into the water system and polluting of the air. We will be turning waste into a useable resource and benefit the environment," L. Don Williams, associate laboratory director of PNL commented, "This agreement permits the transfer of this important technology, developed by PNL, to the application of one of the nation's leading environmental problems -- waste processing."

This new technology will be demonstrated at Recomp's - Bellingham, Wash. facility, consisting of a 250 ton per day tranfer station and municipal waste incinerator. A state-of-the-art, acid-gas scrubber was recently installed, and incineration of 100 tons per day of municipal solid waste is accomplished in a clean and efficient manner. Construction of a 100 ton per day composting facility will be completed in the Spring of 1991. These improvements will make Recomp of Washington the first privately-owned, fully-integrated recycling, composting and incineration facility in the United States.

Recomp, the nation's leading municipal solid waste composting company, handles approximately 600 tons per day of municipal solid waste at its four facilities.

The Pacific Northwest Laboratory, located in Richland, Wash. is a U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) National Laboratory operated by Battelle, one of the nation's leading research institutions. The DOE and Battelle have pioneered the use of glass for the treatment of high level wastes and the

in-situ treatment of contaminated soils.

Recomp and PNL have teamed together to make this environmentally sound, energy efficient facility a model for waste processing facilities of the future.

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#90305p2528 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T announced an 18 percent decrease in rates for 800 READYLINE calls made during the day-time in Colorado. Also, for the first time these rates will be reduced even more for calls made in the evening and on nights and weekends.

READYLINE makes it cost-effective for small businesses to have an 800 number on their regular business telephone line without adding new lines or equipment.

The company said READYLINE rates for evening calls will decrease by about 27 percent and night and weekend rates will decrease by about 30 percent.

"The cost of an in-state five-minute READYLINE call made during the day decreases from $1.43 to $1.18 with this rate cut," said Neil Hinchman, AT&T state government affairs vice president.

The company said rates for its 800 MASTERLINE service will also decrease. Rates will go down by 21 percent on day-time calls, decrease by almost 31 percent on evening calls and by about 35 percent on calls placed at night and on weekends. The cost of an in-state five-minute MASTERLINE call made during the day decreases from $1.30 to $1.02. The 800 MASTERLINE service is for businesses large enough to require a dedicated access line for 800 service.

"We are decreasing these rates in order to have a more attractive offering in this very competitive service area," Hinchman said. "We want to encourage 800 users to take advantage of AT&T quality at rates that keep them competitive too."

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#90305p2529 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Scripps Howard Broadcasting Company (NASDAQ: SCRP) today declared a quarterly dividend of 25 cents ($0.25) per share payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 26, 1990.

CONTACT: Rich Boehne of Scripps Howard Broadcasting, 513-977-3826

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#90305p2534 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) announced that during the months of August and September it repurchased the following debenture issues:

$25,000,000	10.60 percent	due 11/10/95
$25,000,000	7.00 percent	due 02/10/96

These securities were purchased through the facilities of Debenture Selling Group members for the account of Fannie Mae.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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#90305p2535 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The E.W. Scripps Company (NASDAQ: EWSCA) today declared a quarterly dividend of 10 cents ($0.10) per share payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 26, 1990.

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#90305p2536 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - CIGNA Corp. (NYSE: CI) today reported third quarter 1990 consolidated net income of $11 million ($.15 per share), including several after-tax charges aggregating $98 million ($1.30 per share), compared with $146 million ($1.81 per share) a year ago.

For the nine months of 1990, consolidated net income was $211 million ($2.74 per share), compared with $378 million ($4.64 per share) for the same period last year.

The after-tax charges of $98 million included in the third quarter and nine month 1990 results relate to the previously announced domestic property and casualty field office consolidation ($59 million, $.78 per share), withdrawal from the personal automobile insurance market in Massachusetts ($22 million, $.29 per share) and costs related to the integration of EQUICOR ($17 million,

$.23 per share). In the third quarter and nine months of 1989, results included after-tax losses associated with Hurricane Hugo of $90 million ($1.15 per share) and an $81 million ($1.03 per share) gain from the sale of Horace Mann.

Third quarter 1990 net income includes after-tax realized investment gains from continuing operations of $1 million ($.01 per share), compared with $35 million ($.44 per share) in the third quarter of 1989. For nine months, the after-tax realized investment gains were $10 million ($.13 per share) in 1990 and $53 million ($.67 per share) in 1989. Net income for the third quarter and nine months of 1989 included $82 million ($1.04 per share) and $104 million ($1.32 per share) from discontinued operations (principally the Horace Mann companies) which were sold in August 1989.

"Overall results were unsatisfactory for the third quarter, in part reflecting charges aggregating $98 million for property and casualty initiatives and the EQUICOR integration," noted Wilson H. Taylor, CIGNA chairman and chief executive officer. "Our employee benefits, pension and individual life businesses all were strong contributors to earnings. Property and casualty results, however, continue to reflect inadequate industry price levels," he added.

Referring to the recent publicity surrounding the quality of insurance company mortgage loan and real estate investments, Taylor noted that, "At CIGNA, problem loan experience has not had a significant impact on profitability. CIGNA's financial position remains strong and, assuming no protracted difficulties in the economy, I believe we can continue to manage our mortgage loan and real estate investments to avoid major financial problems in our portfolio," Taylor concluded.

Income from continuing operations for the third quarter, excluding after-tax realized investment results, totalled $10 million ($.14 per share), compared with $29 million ($.33 per share) in 1989. For the nine months of 1990, the totals were $201 million ($2.61 per share), compared with $221 million ($2.65 per share) in 1989.

Assets at the end of the third quarter were $61.9 billion, up from $57.8 billion at Dec. 31, 1989. Shareholders' equity was $5.1 billion ($69.77 per share) at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $5.5 billion ($70.59 per share) at Dec. 31, 1989.

CONTACT: Gavin R. Arton (financial) 215-523-1748, or Michael J. Monroe (media) 203-726-4140, both of CIGNA

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#90305p2537 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Kimberly-Clark Corp.

(NYSE: KMB) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 68 cents per share. The dividend is payable Jan. 3, 1991, to stockholders of record Dec. 7, 1990.

Kimberly-Clark is a manufacturer of household, personal care and health care products, as well as newsprint and business, correspondence and specialty papers.

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-30- 622

#90305p2540 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to a series of articles in a Fort Lauderdale, Fla., newspaper, Humana Inc. (NYSE: HUM) is confident that any review of Humana Medical Plan, its Florida health maintenance organization would demonstrate a high degree of satisfaction among customers. Humana filed responses Tuesday with the Health Care Financing Administration's Office of Compliance regarding its marketing practices and expects the filing to resolve their concerns.

Gail Wilensky, administrator of the HCFA, said today that she would continue to process Humana's applications for new market expansions but no final determination would be made until such time as marketing practices had been reviewed and approved.

Humana did not anticipate entering any new markets with the plan until February, 1991. It does not expect HCFA's review to affect 1991 earnings. Sales and enrollments in all Humana plans' existing markets are continuing.

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#90305p2547 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDINA, MINN. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Image Retailing Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: IMAG) today reported sales and earnings results for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the quarter were $5,389,581; gross profit was $2,180,229; and net loss was $70,356.

Sales for the quarter were up 10.3 percent versus the same quarter last year. "The first quarter is our slowest sales period and we usually incur a loss. We are on track to achieve our sales and profit goals for this fiscal year," stated Gary Thorne, president and chief executive officer.

Image Retailing Group, Inc. is a holding company formed in 1985 for the purpose of operating specialty consumer electronics stores. The company's

only operating subsidiary is Audio King, Inc., which was acquired in September 1986. Audio King operates 11 stores in Minnesota and one in South Dakota.

IMAGE RETAILING GROUP, INC.

	Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$5,389,581	$4,887,328
Gross profit	2,180,229	1,968,883
Net income (loss)	$(70,356)	$(71,320)
Net income (loss) per share	$(.03)	$(.03)

CONTACT: Gary Thorne or Randel Carlock, of Image Retailing Group, 612-922-9217

-30- 1536

#90305p2551 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

EVERETT, WASH. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - INTERMEC Corp. (NASDAQ: INTR) and SGS-THOMSON Microelectronics, Europe's second-largest manufacturer of semiconductor products, recently announced a multinational teaming agreement. The agreement names INTERMEC the exclusive supplier for a number of products related to automated data collection systems.

In addition to being named supplier of hardware and software, INTERMEC can also provide on-site consultation, installation support, training and other assistance for SGS-THOMSON Microelectronics' worldwide facilities, which include 17 production locations and eight advanced research and development centers. Automated data collection projects are already underway at SGS-THOMSON facilities in Italy, Malaysia and Singapore, with others planned in European locations and the United States.

Dr. Waldo Baldoni, corporate purchasing manager for EDP equipment at SGS-THOMSON Microelectronics, stressed the manufacturer's need for teaming with suppliers who can provide complete solution sets in addition to global support for end-users.

"INTERMEC is positioned for and committed to meeting our customers' worldwide needs for complete systems solutions," said Peter Pottschulte, vice president of international operations at INTERMEC Corp. "This strategic alliance with a world-class firm like SGS-THOMSON Microelectronics further strengthens our international presence in automated data collection."

For further information, contact INTERMEC Corp., 6001 36th Avenue West, P.O. Box 4280, Everett, WA 98203-9280, telephone 206-348-2600, telex 3794107, or fax 206-355-9551.

A pioneer in bar code technology and the world leader in automated data collection for information management, INTERMEC Corp. designs, manufactures and markets the most comprehensive line of data collection hardware, software,

systems, supplies and service available worldwide.

SGS-THOMSON Microelectronics was formed in 1987 by the merger of SGS Microelettronica (Italy) and Thomson Semiconductors (France). The company ranks first among European suppliers of static RAM, smart power ICs, power transistors and thyristors, and is number 12 among all semiconductor manufacturers worldwide.

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#90305p2554 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - National City Corporation (NYSE: NCC) today announced that it has named Robert G. Siefers executive vice president of the Cleveland-based bank holding company. Siefers previously served as president and chief executive officer of Ohio Citizens Bank, National City's affiliate in Toledo, Ohio.

Siefers will be executive vice president, corporate administration and report to William R. Robertson, deputy chairman of the corporation.

In announcing Mr. Siefers' appointment, Edward B. Brandon, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Mr. Siefers' experience in strategic planning and bank management as well as his proven ability in mergers and acquisitions activity will be of great value to National City."

Siefers has been with National City since 1971. At the time he was appointed president of Ohio Citizens, he was senior vice president of corporate banking at National City Bank, Cleveland.

During his tenure at Ohio Citizens, earnings at the bank more than doubled. Soon after his arrival, Siefers reduced operating costs, increased loan volume and dramatically improved performance.

Siefers is a graduate of Mount Union College and holds an M.B.A. from Kent State University, as well as a doctor of laws degree from Cleveland Marshall College of Law. He and his wife, Janice, have two children.

National City Corporation is a $23 billion bank holding company headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio.

CONTACT: Mary H. Griffith of National City Corporation, 216-575-2728

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#90305p2557 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Cerner Corp. (NASDAQ: CERN) today announced that for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 5 percent to $12.9 million from $12.3 million. Net earnings decreased 22 percent to $761,000 from $980,000 for the same period in 1989. Earnings per share decreased 8 percent to $.24 per share from $.26 per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues decreased 3 percent to $37.1 million from $38.2 million in the comparable 1989 period. Net earnings decreased 26 percent to $1.7 million from $2.3 million in the year-ago period. Earnings per share decreased 23 percent to $.48 per share from $.62 per share.

Clifford W. Illig, president and chief operating officer, stated, "Even though our quarterly and year-to-date results have fallen short of expectations, we are pleased with the progress Cerner has made this year. While we suggest our shareholders continue to use conservative expectations for Cerner's earnings for the remainder of 1990, we see encouraging trends ahead."

Illig continued, "First, we are seeing somewhat higher activity levels in the market for laboratory systems than we had seen earlier in the year. Second, customer and market interest in our RadNet radiology and PharmNet pharmacy information systems products has recently intensified and we now expect both products to make significant contributions to company revenues in 1991. Third the recurring revenue stream associated with servicing our installed base of clients continues to grow each quarter. Fourth, our ProNet patient/order management and CareNet nursing information systems are making excellent progress, with ProNet expected to contribute to revenues in mid-1991 and CareNet in late 1991. Finally, most importantly, we are seeing increasing evidence that hospitals are interested in purchasing total clinical information systems packages."

Illig added, "We believe Cerner is in a strong competitive position to take advantage of this trend as all of our products are designed around the proprietary Healthcare Network Architecture (HNA) which allows each clinical information system to be used in conjunction with other Cerner clinical information systems. We expect the pace of purchases to pick up as hospitals increasingly come to terms with the economics of bringing computer applications to clinical care. In today's environment where the critical challenge is to reduce costs while managing the quality of care, the automated medical record is essential. Looking forward, we believe the large investments that Cerner has made over the last few years, in the development of new systems for clinical care, should soon begin to be reflected in the company's results."

Cerner Corp. is a leading supplier of clinical information systems to the health care industry. All Cerner systems are designed around a central structure called Healthcare Network Architecture (HNA). Through HNA, Cerner

is able to delivery application software products that first and foremost serve the unique needs of each clinical discipline, while allowing unprecedented management and cross disciplinary medical applications. Cerner offers products to a broad marketplace including hospitals, HMOs, clinics and reference laboratories.

CERNER CORP.
Summary of Operations
(Unaudited: in thousands, except per-share amounts)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$12,870	$12,310	$37,103	$38,191
Operating earnings	1,290	1,522	2,671	3,747
Earns. bef. income taxes	1,207	1,531	2,698	3,608
Income taxes	446	551	998	1,299
Net earnings	761	980	1,700	2,309
Earnings per share	$.24	$.26	$.48	$.62
Avg. shares outstanding	3,195	3,761	3,528	3,752

CONTACT: Clifford W. Illig, president and chief operating officer of Cerner, 816-221-1024

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#90305p2559 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Lucas Western Inc., Electro Systems Division (ESD), Brea, Calif., has been selected by Lucas Aerospace Inc., Flight Structures Division (FSD), Jamestown, N.D., to be its team member supplier for lightweight cargo handling systems FSD is supplying for the McDonnell Douglas MD-11.

ESD will supply FSD with cargo power drive unit actuators, which are used to power the cargo containers used for the loading and unloading cycles.

"Working with FSD on this contract is an example of how Lucas can supply total systems solutions," said Saleem Naber, general manager of ESD. "Our divisions work together offering the most cost efficient systems for our customers' needs."

The multiyear MD-11 cargo handling systems contract will be carried out at FSD's Jamestown facility. Deliveries are scheduled to begin in September 1991.

The industry's leading supplier of commercial air cargo systems, FSD utilizes just-in-time management, delivering systems directly to the assembly line.

With operations in the United Kingdom, North America and France, and an extensive network of customer support and marketing facilities worldwide, Lucas Aerospace employs 12,000 people and generates annual revenues of $1

billion. Primary business units include: Engine Systems, Flight Control and Actuation Systems, Power Generation Systems, Aerospace Systems and Customer Support.

CONTACT: Renate H. Zelko, 703-264-2387, or Bob Moulton or Liz Underhill, 703-620-0141, all for Lucas Aerospace

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#90305p2560 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. automakers assembled an estimated 142,342 units this week, 2.97 percent below the prior week, and 1.59 percent below the year-ago week, Automotive News reported today.

So far this year, 5,350,162 units have been assembled, 9.81 percent below the year-ago pace.

Truckmakers scheduled 79,358 units this week, 0.84 percent below the prior week and 5.05 percent below the year-ago week.

Year to date, 3,401,138 trucks have been built, 3.95 percent below last year's pace of 3,540,900.

U.S. estimated car production for this week is shared as follows: General Motors, 44.13 percent; Ford Motor Co., 22.80 percent; Chrysler Motors, 11.66 percent; Honda of America Manufacturing Inc., 6.49 percent; Mazda Motor Manufacturing (USA) Corp., 3.36 percent; Toyota Motor Manufacturing, 3.18 percent; New United Motor Manufacturing, Inc., 2.95 percent; Diamond-Star Motors, 2.39 percent; Nissan Motor Manufacturing Inc., 2.23 percent; and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc., 0.81 percent.

NORTH AMERICAN FACTORY PRODUCTION

	11/3/90 Est.	11/4/89 Actual	10/27/90 Actual	Y-T-D 1990	Y-T-D 1989
U.S.					
Car	142,342	144,645	146,702	5,350,162	5,932,211
Truck	79,358	83,577	80,034	3,401,138	3,540,900
Total	221,700	228,222	226,736	8,751,300	9,473,111
Canada					
Car	26,672	26,253	26,751	896,711	831,862
Truck	14,010	16,825	19,516	707,906	811,751
Total	40,682	43,078	46,267	1,604,617	1,643,613

CONTACT: Anne E. Wright of Automotive News, 313-446-0366

-30- 1829

#90305p2561 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Mellon Bank officials announced today the selection of Werner Chepelsky & Partners, Inc., a Pittsburgh-based advertising firm, as Mellon's new agency of record.

Mellon previously had retained Saatchi & Saatchi Inc. from New York. "This move is one more expression of Mellon's commitment to Pittsburgh and a reflection of the outstanding advertising talent that exists in this region," said Martin G. McGuinn, vice chairman, Administration. "We undertook a thorough local search and were impressed with the quality of the local advertising community. For Mellon's strategic advertising needs today, Werner Chepelsky & Partners proved to be the best in a field of very competent agencies."

Sandra J. McLaughlin, senior vice president and head of Corporate Affairs for Mellon, noted, "We've had an excellent working relationship with Saatchi & Saatchi over the past four years and we appreciate their good work. But we felt strongly that it was time to bring our advertising business back to Pittsburgh. The prospect of working with Ray Werner and his team is very exciting to us."

Mellon advertises consumer and small business products and services regionally and the corporation's wholesale lending and service products businesses nationally. Advertising budgets were not disclosed. Werner Chelepsky & Partners, whose 1989 billings totaled $7 million, will provide a range of services, including tactical media planning and creative services. Founded in 1986, the firm has won 14 gold ADDY Awards for advertising excellence, including two Best of Show awards.

"Obviously we are delighted to have been selected to serve Mellon, which is well-known and regarded, not only in Pittsburgh, but, throughout the United States," said Raymond Werner, president and co-creative director of Werner Chepelsky & Partners Inc. "We look forward to a productive and a mutually rewarding relationship."

With assets of $29.4 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, Mellon Bank Corp. (NYSE: MEL) is one of the nation's largest bank holding companies. Through its subsidiaries, it provides wholesale, middle market and retail banking, as well as numerous service products including trust and investment, cash management and financial data processing.

CONTACT: Sandra J. McLaughlin of Mellon Bank, 412-234-4003

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#90305p2564 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

JERICHO, N.Y. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - American Claims Evaluation, Inc. (NASDAQ: AMCE) today announced revenues of $2,676,105 and net earnings per share of $.14 for the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to

revenues of $1,869,490 and net earnings per share of $.11 for the comparable period ended Sept. 30, 1989. This reflects an increase in revenues and net earnings of approximately 43.2 percent and 27.3 percent, respectively, over last year's comparable figures.

Gary Gelman, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated he was pleased to report the continuing increase in sales and earnings over comparable prior periods.

American Claims Evaluation, Inc. is a health care services company primarily engaged in reviewing hospital bills throughout the United States for insurance carriers and corporation which maintain self- insurance programs. The company's services are designed to enable insurers to pay only for those medical services that were actually provided to the patient.

CONTACT: Robert Lindberg, executive vice president of American Claims Evaluation, 516-938-8000

-30- 1303

#90305p2565 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Chancellor Corporation (NASDAQ: CHCR) announced today that it has entered into an agreement with a group of the company's lenders to extend and amend certain loan and forebearance agreements initially entered into in April 1990 among the company, its affiliates and the lenders and previously renewed through Oct. 31, 1990. The new agreement provides for an extension of the loan facility and for continued forebearance, collateralization and reduction of the outstanding balances of the credit facility through Jan. 31, 1991.

Founded in 1977, Chancellor Corporation has, in recent years, concentrated on the leasing of transportation equipment. It is also involved in the leasing of aircraft, communications, medical, agricultural and other equipment. Chancellor Corporation common stock is listed on the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASDAQ) National Market System ("CHCR").

CONTACT: Stephen G. Morison, president and chief executive officer, or William C. Sprong, senior vice president, treasurer and CFO, both of Chancellor Corp. 617-728-8500

-30- 1269

#90305p2583 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Cyril C. Baldwin, Jr., chief executive officer of Cambrex Corporation (NASDAQ: CBAM), announced today that John P. Lynch has resigned as chief financial officer to pursue other interests. In accepting his resignation, Baldwin acknowledged Lynch's contributions to the growth of the company and wished him success in his

future ventures. During Lynch's tenure, as part of the management team, he was a participant in the rapid growth and diversification of the company.

Cambrex Corporation manufactures a broad line of specialty chemicals, fine chemicals and commodity chemical intermediates. The chemical families of castor oil, pyridine, organometallics, succinct anhydrides, organibromines and ammonia reaction chemistry are used by the company to produce compounds for its five product categories: Urethane Systems and Additives, Coatings, Health and Cosmetic Products, Agricultural Chemical Intermediates, and Specialty and Fine Chemicals.

CONTACT: Cyril C. Baldwin, Jr., CEO of Cambrex, 201-804-3002

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#90305p2586 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Georgia-Pacific Corp. (NYSE: GP) announced today that effective immediately Clifford T. "Kip" Howlett Jr. will head the company's recently consolidated environmental affairs unit, becoming vice president - environmental and government affairs.

The consolidation will join the resources of the company's environmental engineering departments and regulatory and legislative affairs departments.

"Kip Howlett's experience in the areas of health, safety and the environment, combined with his extensive knowledge of the full spectrum of contemporary environmental concerns facing the forest products industry, make him uniquely qualified to serve our industry and our company in this capacity," said Ronald P. Hogan, president and chief operating officer.

This expanded position, in which Howlett will be responsible for developing and monitoring company-wide environmental policies and programs, complements the company's recently established Environmental Policy Committee. That committee, which operates under the direction of the president and chief operating officer, comprises senior executives and reflects the board of director's ongoing interest in Georgia-Pacific's strong commitment to the environment.

"Georgia-Pacific has always actively addressed environmental concerns, meeting and in many cases exceeding environmental requirements. This consolidation reflects our further commitment to improve and protect our environment," Hogan said.

Howlett, who will relocate to Atlanta, will report to Hogan. A native of Portland, Ore., Howlett has a bachelor's degree from Johns Hopkins University at Baltimore, Md., and a law degree from Willamette University College of Law at Salem, Ore.

He joined Georgia-Pacific in Portland in 1975 as environment and energy counsel. He moved to Washington, D.C., as the company's legislative counsel in 1976. Howlett was promoted to corporate coordinator of environment, health and chemical safety in Atlanta in 1980, then returned to Washington in 1983 as corporate director of government affairs - environment, health and chemical safety. He was named director - government affairs in 1987 and elected vice president - government affairs in 1988.

CONTACT: Sheila Weidman of Georgia-Pacific, 404-521-4732

-30- 2511

#90305p2590 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - At 4 p.m. EST today, Susan F. Krause, senior deputy comptroller for bank supervision policy, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), declared Trinity National Bank, Benbrook, Texas ("Bank"), insolvent and appointed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) as receiver.

The bank has been a matter of concern to the OCC since 1988. Problems developed as the result of liberal underwriting practices, poor loan administration, and lax supervision by management and the board. Deterioration in the local economy added to the problems and worked against recovery. Eventually, losses mounted and the bank's equity capital funds were exhausted, resulting in insolvency.

The bank received a national bank charter on May 30, 1984. As of Sept. 30, 1990, the bank had total assets of approximately $21 million.

The FDIC is expected to release additional information later today.

CONTACT: Frank Vance of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 202-447-1800

-30- 1179

#90305p2591 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DUBLIN, OHIO (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Wendy's International (NYSE: WEN) today issued the following statement:

Since the company's founding in 1969, Wendy's International has used biodegradable materials to package its sandwiches.

Wendy's will continue to research and test additional opportunities to reduce solid waste.

CONTACT: Denny Lynch, 614-764-3413, or Jim O'Brien, 212-210-8821, both for Wendy's International

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#90305p2593 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELGIN, ILL. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - William H. Murphy, president of Katy Industries, Inc. (NYSE: KT), today reported a loss of $995,000 or $.22 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to income of $3,286,000 or $.44 per share for the same period last year. The loss from continuing operations for the quarter was $1,313,000 or $.27 per share compared to income from continuing operations of $4,005,000 or $.55 per share in 1989.

Murphy noted that the results for the 1990 quarter included a pre- tax reserve of $6,000,000 to cover potential losses on notes receivable. He also noted that income from continuing operations, absent the reserve, were $3,787,000 or $.51 per share compared to the $.55 per share reported for the 1989 quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Katy reported income from continuing operations of $21,340,000 or $3.08 per share, compared to $10,768,000 or $1.47 per share. Net income for the 1990 period was $22,320,000 or $3.23 per share compared to $6,822,000 or $.85 per share in 1989.

Sales from continuing operations were $51,997,000 and $170,841,000, respectively, for the third quarter and nine months of 1990 compared to $51,143,000 and $145,089,000 for the same periods of 1989.

Katy Industries, Inc., with consolidated sales approaching $200,000,000, is a major diversified corporation with interests in consumer products, industrial machinery, industrial components, energy resources and equity investments. Katy common and preferred shares (Class B) are listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Jacob Saliba, chairman and CEO, 617-266-4100; William Murphy, president and COO, or J. Russell Jones, treasurer, 312-379-1121, all of Katy Industries

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#90305p2605 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVING, TX (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Michaels Stores Inc. (AMEX: MKE) today reported that its sales for the month ended Oct. 28, 1990, increased to $37.8 million, or 15 percent over last year. Sales at the 115 stores in operation during October of both years, increased four percent to $32.9 million. The sales increases achieved were most gratifying considering present economic conditions.

The company noted that it is continuing to consolidate recent strategic changes made in its field reporting relationships and merchandising policies designed to strengthen operational controls and enhance sales and promotional

results.

Michaels Stores Inc. is one of the nation's leading specialty retailers specializing in competitively priced home decor and arts and crafts items, with 137 company owned and operated stores in 18 states in the southern half and Midwestern sections of the United States.

CONTACT: J. Eugene Stubbs of Michaels Stores, 214-580-8242.

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#90305p2607 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELGIN, IL (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - William H. Murphy, president of Katy Industries, Inc. (NYSE: KT), announced that the board of directors has authorized the call for redemption of all of Katy's outstanding Class B Preferred Stock, $1.46 Series, Convertible. Pursuant to the terms of the Class B Preferred, the redemption price will be $25.00 per share plus accrued unpaid dividends as of the redemption date. Holders of Class B Preferred shares have the right to convert each share of Class B Preferred into 2.58 shares of common stock of Katy at any time prior to the fifth full business day preceding the date set for redemption. The exact date set for the redemption and other relevant information regarding the redemption and the rights of holders of Class B Preferred Shares will be set forth in a notice of redemption, which notice will be sent to all holders of record of Class B Preferred Shares not less than 30 nor more than 90 days prior to the redemption date.

Murphy also announced that the board of directors has determined to commence payment of dividends on Katy's common stock at the rate of 25 cents per share per annum. The dividend, which will commence following redemption of Katy's Class B Preferred shares, will be paid quarterly at the rate of 6-1/4 cents per share per quarter.

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CONTACT: Jacob Saliba, chairman & CEO, 617-266-4100; William Murphy, president and COO, or J. Russell Jones, treasurer, 312-379-1121, all of Katy Industries

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#90305p2612 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - R.H. Macy & Co., Inc. announced today that, as part of its previously stated intention to move aggressively to reduce debt

and interest expense, the company plans to sell up to $150 million of additional equity to its existing outside investors and that its four largest shareholders have committed to purchase a minimum of $100 million of the offer.

Those who have committed to purchase additional equity include GE Capital, Loews Corporation, Mutual Series Fund and Taubman Investment Co. or their affiliates.

Macy's intends to use the proceeds of the new equity investment to purchase its subordinated debt, from time to time, in the open market, in privately negotiated transactions or otherwise.

"This is another important step in our on-going debt reduction program," said Edward S. Finkelstein, chairman and chief executive officer. "The proceeds should enable us to take advantage of attractive market opportunities to buy back additional subordinated debt. Moreover, this solid support from our largest shareholders speaks eloquently to their commitment to Macy's future.

"In the coming months, we expect to report further actions we are taking to reduce our debt. It is important to note that, despite mistaken reports to the contrary, Macy's has ample liquidity to meet all of its obligations. Although the retailing environment is sluggish, we have successfully implemented our plans to reduce inventory, maintain planned gross margins and prudently lower expenses without damaging Macy's ability to serve its customers. The opportunity to improve our balance sheet provided by this offering is part of our commitment to the company's long-term vitality."

Macy's has been pursuing a debt reduction program that has, thus far, included: the sale, in August, of a 1 percent equity interest, the proceeds of which were used to purchase $50 million of Macy's high yield bonds; the proposed sale of a former Bullock's office building, the proceeds of which will be used to pay down senior debt; and in mid-October, an agreement in principle for the sale to GE Capital of Macy's credit card finance subsidiaries for approximately $100 million. The proceeds of that sale, when completed, will be used to further reduce the company's debt and interest costs. The sale will also remove approximately $1.5 billion of debt from Macy's balance sheet.

This press release does not constitute an offer to sell, nor a solicitation of offers to buy, any securities of Macy.

CONTACT: Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for R. H. Macy

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#90305p2617 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FLA. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc. (NYSE: HBJ) has retained Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Incorporated as the

company's financial adviser.

John S. Herrington, chairman of the board of directors, said Smith Barney will explore alternatives for dealing with the company's highly leveraged financial position.

"We will look to Smith Barney for assistance in developing and implementing a program to maximize value for the company's shareholders," Herrington said. He added that the board has not decided on any specific transaction and has set no specific timetable for a decision.

Harcourt Brace Jovanovich publishes general books, school and college textbooks, and psychological tests, as well as medical and scientific books and journals. It is a major underwriter in life, health and accident insurance through its subsidiaries, Federal Home Life Insurance Company, PHF Life Insurance Company, and The Harvest Life Insurance Company.

CONTACT: C. Anson Franklin, vice president of Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc., 407-345-3010

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#90305p2618 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORANGE, CALIF. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Varco International Inc. (NYSE: VRC) today reported results of operations for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, net income was $2.1 million, $.08 per share, on net sales and other income of $36.5 million. This compares to net income of $408,000 on revenues of $21.8 million for the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $5.3 million, $.20 per share on revenues of $87.5 million. For the comparable period of 1989, net income was $1.3 million, $.05 per share, and revenues totaled $65.3 million.

The Drilling System Division reported revenues of $18.2 million for the third quarter, a 67 percent increase over the $10.9 million recorded during the comparable quarter a year ago. The Varco BJ Oil Tools division demonstrated a 32 percent growth in revenues, from $9.3 million in the third quarter of 1989 to $12.3 million for the most recent quarter. The three month period ended Sept. 30 represents the first full quarter for which results of the company's Martin-Decker Instrumentation division, acquired from Cooper Industries Inc. in May of this year, have been included. The Martin- Decker division contributed $4.6 million to third quarter revenues.

Incoming orders remained strong, totaling $38.1 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, while backlog reached $60.6 million as of that date.

In commenting on the third quarter results, Varco President George I. Boyadjieff said, "We are pleased to report another quarter of increased revenue and profitability. The continuing strong market demand for our products, particularly those of our Drilling Systems division, contributes to our expectation of further improvement in 1991."

CONTACT: Donald L. Stichler, controller-treasurer of Varco International Inc., 714-978-1900

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#90305p2619 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Nash Finch Company (NASDAQ: NAFC) today reported increased revenues and net earnings for the fiscal third quarter and 40 weeks ended Oct. 6.

Total revenues for the 16-week second quarter were a record $755.4 million, a 7.6 percent increase over revenues of $702.0 million in the same quarter of 1989.

Net earnings for the quarter rose 15.9 percent to a record $6.9 million, or $.63 per share, compared with $5.9 million, or $.55 per share, in the third quarter last year.

For the 40-week period, revenues totaled a record $1.828 billion, up 7.5 percent from $1.701 billion in 1989. Net earnings rose 50.7 percent to $13.3 million, or $1.22 per share, compared with $8.8 million, or $.81 per share, in the same period last year.

Nash Finch Chairman Harold Finch said the earnings increase is largely due to continued profit progress in the Company's retail operations, reflecting further gross margin and expense control improvements. Sales gains from wholesale operations were largely responsible for the rise in revenues, said Finch.

Third-quarter and year-to-date results include the contributions of Timberlake Grocery Company of Macon, which was acquired in January 1990.

Nash Finch is one of the largest food wholesalers in the country, supplying products to approximately 600 affiliated supermarkets and some 5,000 independent retailers in 24 states. The Company also owns and operates supermarkets, warehouse stores and mass merchandise stores in 12 states and produce marketing subsidiaries in California.

NASH FINCH COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS (UNAUDITED)

	16 Weeks Ended		40 Weeks Ended	
	10/6/90	10/7/89	10/6/90	10/7/89

Total sales and revenues	$755,397,851	$701,973,801	$1,828,132,555	$1,701,319,894
Earnings before income taxes	11,291,574	9,558,002	21,749,676	14,162,372
Income taxes	4,403,832	3,617,705	8,482,491	5,360,459
Net earnings	$6,887,742	$5,940,297	$13,267,185	$8,801,913
Net earnings per share	$0.63	$0.55	$1.22	$0.81
Average number of shares outstanding	10,870,584	10,868,764	10,870,228	10,867,867

CONTACT: Norman R. Soland of Nash Finch, 612-929-0371

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#90305p2620 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - COMSAT Aeronautical Services announced today that flight crews on international flights can now, for the first time, access a commercially available satellite data communications service for such time-sensitive communications as flight-plan updates, weather reports, air traffic control information, and aircraft engine and airframe system monitoring.

The new service, never before commercially available to aircraft, is provided by COMSAT over a low-speed data link through the company's two newly equipped ground earth stations in Connecticut and California and is transmitted via Inmarsat satellites.

In late September the service was put to the test on a United Airlines flight between San Francisco and Hong Kong, which was the first operational use of the satellite-based data communications (satcom) system. Cockpit data services are being provided to United by Aeronautical Radio, Inc. (ARINC), which integrates its existing aeronautical radio services with its new satellite service called GlobaLink. ARINC obtained the satellite capacity and ground station services from COMSAT for the test.

"This low speed data service is only the beginning of the aeronautical services COMSAT will deliver to aircraft in the near future," said Dr. Elizabeth Young, vice president, COMSAT Aeronautical Services.

"By early next year, COMSAT will offer two-way voice services, and high-speed data services will be available for the cockpit and passengers by mid-1991," she said.

When fully operational, COMSAT's aeronautical services will allow private aircraft and commercial airlines to utilize voice telephony, electronic

messaging, facsimile and personal computer file transmission. The company recently announced an agreement with Sony Trans Comm to provide airlines with a news and information service, called FlightNews. COMSAT also recently entered into an agreement with GTE Airfone to provide a satellite link for that system to allow passengers to make telephone calls while in international flight.

"Aircraft will still utilize VHF and HF communications, especially in domestic flights," said Dr. Young, "but our new aeronautical satellite services will provide aircraft on iernational flights superior communications that were previously unavailable and provide them with additional security and higher quality and reliability," Dr. Young said.

COMSAT Mobile Communications, based in Washington, is a division of the publicly traded COMSAT Corporation (NYSE: CQ) and provides aeronautical, maritime and international land mobile communications to customers around the world through its Inmarsat ground earth stations, located in Southbury, Conn., and Santa Paula, Calif.

CONTACT: Patricia Whalen, 202-863-6157; Elizabeth Young, 202-863-6608; or Judith Del Zoppo, 202-863-6841, all of COMSAT

-30- 3058

#90305p2624 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CONCORD, NC (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - CK Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: CKSB) announced another record year of earnings for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1990.

CK Bank earned $2,723,443 or $2.02 per share during fiscal 1990, a 3 percent increase over the record $2,655,861 or $2.01 per share earned during 1989. Earnings for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 were $636,696 or $.47 per share compared with $885,568 or $.66 per share for the same quarter of 1989, a period which included a $300,000 gain of the sale of real estate.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Colin Stewart has been appointed to the position of vice president -- Marketing and Sales, Morgan Creek Music Group, it was announced today by Co-Presidents Jim Mazza and David Kershenbaum. Reporting directly to Mazza and Kershenbaum, Stewart will be responsible for all sales and marketing operations within the Morgan Creek Music Group, both domestically and internationally.

A 15-year music industry veteran with extensive experience on both sides of

the Atlantic, Stewart has been closely associated with many major artists, including Elton John, David Bowie, Kate Bush, the Pet Shop Boys, Robert Palmer Sheena Easton and George Thorogood.

After graduating from Oxford University in 1975, Stewart joined EMI Records in London as a management trainee, rising rapidly to become label manager for the Rocket and Bronze labels, where he was responsible for marketing artists such as Elton John, Kiki Dee, Uriah Heep, Manfred Mann's Earthband and Motorhead.

After gaining a master of business administration degree from the London Graduate School of Business in 1983, Stewart transferred to EMI's corporate headquarters in Los Angeles, where he served as director of Business Development and Strategic Planning in the office of the chairman of EMI Music Worldwide (Bhaskar Menon). Within two years, Stewart was promoted to become vice president of Marketing for EMI America Records, where he was responsible for all marketing and sales operations within the label, under the presidency of Mazza.

Commenting on Stewart's appointment, Mazza and Kershenbaum said, "Colin Stewart will play an important role in the center of Morgan Creek Music's management team. His experience in the strategic planning area at the highest level of the music industry, and his extensive background will assist us with our aggressive acquisition and expansion program."

Stewart commented, "I am thrilled to be a part of Jim and David's team in this exciting new venture with Jim Robinson and Morgan Creek. I am confident that we have the vision, the people and the resources necessary to create a major new independent force in the global music industry for the 1990's and beyond."

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#90305p2634 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

PACOIMA, CALIF (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Steven Nichols, chairman of the board and president of K-Swiss Inc. (NASDAQ: KSWS), announced record net earnings of $3,116,000 for the third quarter of 1990, an increase of $1,259,000 or 67.8 percent over the same period in 1989 and record earnings per share for the quarter of $.48, an increase of 37.1 percent over 1989.

Net earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $6,002,000, an increase of $1,961,000 or 48.5 percent over the same period in 1989. Earnings per share for the nine month period of 1990 increased 35.1 percent to $1.04.

K-Swiss Inc. designs, develops and markets high performance and casual athletic footwear. The company presently offers footwear for court sports, nautical use and hiking/walking.

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#90305p2635 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

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Revenues increased as follows:

Three months ended Sept. 30,
(In thousands, except percents)

	1990	1989	Increase	Percent Increase
Domestic	$26,044	$18,589	$7,455	40.1
International	5,515	4,340	1,175	27.1
Total	$31,559	$22,929	$8,630	37.6

Nine months ended Sept. 30,
(In thousands, except percents)

	1990	1989	Increase	Percent Increase
Domestic	$66,741	$45,149	$21,592	47.8
International	11,842	10,490	1,352	12.9
Total	$78,583	$55,639	$22,944	41.2

Domestic footwear "futures" orders with start ship dates subsequent to Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 were approximately $35,900,000 and $19,350,000, respectively. International footwear "futures" orders with start ship dates subsequent to Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 were approximately $8,250,000 and $1,250,000, respectively. Combined domestic and international futures orders are $44,150,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 114 percent over combined futures at Sept. 30, 1989. The mix of "futures" and "at once" orders can vary significantly from quarter to quarter and year to year and therefore futures are not necessarily indicative of revenues for subsequent periods.

The company's accounts receivable and inventories were approximately $25,435,000 and $29,594,000, respectively, at Sept. 30, 1990.

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K-SWISS INC.
FINANCIAL SUMMARY
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$31,559	$22,929	$78,583	$55,639
Cost of goods sold	19,495	14,617	49,056	36,093
Gross profit	12,064	8,312	29,527	19,546
Selling, general and administrative expenses	6,037	4,091	16,152	10,028
Operating profit	6,027	4,221	13,375	9,518
Interest expense	729	911	3,043	2,551
Earnings before income taxes	5,298	3,310	10,332	6,967
Income tax expense	2,182	1,453	4,330	2,926
Net earnings	$3,116	$1,857	$6,002	$4,041
Earnings per share	$.48	$.35	$1.04	$.77
Weighted average shares outstanding	6,518	5,232	5,756	5,232

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#90305p2636 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OHIO (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Nord Resources Corporation (NYSE: NRD) today released the text of the following shareholder letter, dated Oct. 31:

"Dear Shareholder:

I am extremely pleased to announce that our Norplex(TM) technology has successfully progressed into the advanced stages of full customer acceptance in the paper industry. Since its introduction earlier this year and following a systematic period of testing by major producers, both domestically and in Europe, production trials of Norplex(TM) are in progress. These trials ultimately result in the production of paper for sale to commercial printers.

Approximately 20 domestic and international paper mills are in various stages of testing and production trials with our products in quantities ranging from 12 to 15 ton truckloads to a 55 ton railroad tank car. Typically a 5 gallon quantity is used in laboratory analysis while the larger quantities are for actual commercial paper machine runs which can last as long as a week. It is important to note that although small in quantity, Norplex(TM) 604 is being used in the actual manufacturing of commercial coated paper and board. In fact, this letter is printed on paper currently being used for an actual production run of an internationally distributed weekly magazine and demonstrates the successful replacement of conventional pigment with our Norplex(TM) 604.

Commercial, bulk shipments have now been made to several LWC- (lightweight coated) paper mills and paper produced with Norplex(TM) 604 has been sold for the printing of national publications such as "Time," "Newsweek" and "Sports Illustrated."

Particularly exciting is the expanded potential for the high value Norplex(TM) 604 in not only LWC paper but also in the recycled coated board industry. Extended mill trials of coated board requiring commercial quantities of Norplex(TM) 604 are ongoing and achieving the same success as with LWC paper. These mills manufacture coated board for packaging of food and beverage products such as cereal boxes, etc.

The paper industry has subjected our high-bulking composite pigment products to more rigorous evaluation than was originally anticipated and their laboratory tests and production trials have taken longer than expected. This is not surprising, upon reflection, in that we have created a unique technology. It should be noted that the paper producers which comprise the market for Norplex(TM) operate high speed paper machines which, at approximately 3,000 feet per minute, manufacture paper products of very high market values. Accordingly, the paper industry is extremely cautious when making any alterations to their process formulations. Thus far, however, we have received extremely favorable response to their integration of Norplex(TM).

We believe that more substantial commercial orders will soon follow these initial orders and, based on this product acceptance, we can look forward to reaching our original production goals. More specific timing is difficult to predict as there are many variables in the approval process by the paper industry.

There is no question that the costs of developing, testing and marketing Norplex(TM) continue to significantly impact Nord's earnings, but this sacrifice of short-term results for the substantial longer term benefits is essential. Nord Kaolin is in a transitional state from being just a commodity producer to becoming a state-of-the art specialty pigment company.

I know that you have been concerned about our progress with Norplex(TM) and the current political and economic events that have negatively affected worldwide financial markets and our share valuation. We have been no less concerned, but we have never doubted the potential for commercial success of Norplex(TM). Thank you for your continued loyalty and patience."

Very truly yours,
/Edgar F. Cruft/
Chairman, President and CEO

CONTACT: Karl Frydryk, vice president-controller, or Susan Shahan, director of shareholder relations, 513-433-6307, both of Nord Resources Corporation

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#90305p2637 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Oryx Energy Co. (NYSE: ORX) today declared a dividend of 30 cents per share on outstanding shares of common stock and announced the election of two new directors, Carol E. Dinkins and Paul R. Seegers. The dividend is payable Dec. 10 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 16.

Carol E. Dinkins has been elected to the Oryx Energy Co. board of directors for a term that expires in 1991. Since 1980 she has been a partner with the Houston law firm of Vinson & Elkins and heads up their environmental practice. She holds and has held a variety of prominent positions including having served as Deputy Attorney General of the United States in 1984-1985.

Paul R. Seegers, the other new director, is chairman of the board and chairman of the Executive Committee of Centex Corp. Centex, based in Dallas, is a $2 billion company with operations in home building and mortgage banking, construction products, general construction and savings and loan. Seegers will serve a term that expires in 1993.

Dallas-based Oryx Energy Co. is the largest independent oil and gas company in the world, with assets in excess of $5 billion and proved reserves of more than one billion equivalent barrels. Oryx Energy conducts its domestic operations through Sun Energy Partners, L.P., of which it is the managing general partner and 98-percent owner. Oryx Energy trades on the New York Stock Exchange with the symbol ORX and the partnership with the symbol SLP.

CONTACT: Tom Sullivan, 214-890-5027 (media); or John O'Keefe, 214-890-6565 (investor relations), both of Oryx Energy

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#90305p2640 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OH (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Nord Resources Corporation (NYSE: NRD) announced today that an action has been instituted by a Nord shareholder in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio against the corporation and five of its officers and directors.

The suit, which is based on alleged violations of the securities laws, claims that certain of the corporation's public disclosures in the March - August 1990 period were materially misleading. The suit also alleges that the individual defendants sold Nord stock while in possession of inside information.

The complaint does not specify the amount of damages sought from Nord. Both the corporation and the individuals believe that the allegations of the complaint are without merit and the matter has been referred to counsel for response.

CONTACT: Karl Frydryk, vice president-controller, or Susan Shahan, director of shareholder relations, 513-433-6307, both of Nord Resources Corporation.

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#90305p2643 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES MOINES, IA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Pioneer Hi-Bred International Inc. (NASDAQ: PHYB) has acquired, for cash, substantially all of the assets of Allelix Crop Technologies (ACT) of Mississauga, Ontario, Canada.

ACT is internationally known for its work in the field of agricultural biotechnology, especially in the development of hybrid canola, a major oil seed crop.

According to Charles Johnson, Pioneer senior vice president for North American Operations, the acquisition fits into the company's strategy for oilseed development and marketing.

''ACT has a very good foundation of breeding material and a highly developed research program producing superior canola varieties and hybrids,'' said Johnson. ''The addition of these resources, both in biotechnology and traditional breeding, will give Pioneer a new world-wide position in this competitive crop.''

Through contract research with major food companies, including Frito/Lay, ACT has been developing specialized canola and other products.

''This acquisition is a superb fit for our Specialty Plant Products Division '' continued Johnson. ''S.P.P. is a new division of Pioneer engaged in developing, producing and marketing crops that have traits valuable to end-users and processors. The addition of ACT is a big plus for that group. Additionally, ACT has established a marketing presence, here in the

Southeastern United States. That effort will continue and undoubtedly will help Pioneer establish itself in the expanding canola seed market.''

The president of ACT, Dr. Jeremy Gawen, said his company had been looking for new capital investment for some months and had attracted the attention of a number of international seed and food companies. ''We're delighted to be joining the Pioneer group which has had considerable resources here in Canada, since 1946,'' Dr. Gawen said.

Gawen and the rest of the management staff of ACT will continue in their present duties. The company will continue to operate from its Canadian locations in Mississauga and Georgetown, Ontario.

ACT was founded in 1983 as a part of Allelix Inc. and became a separate business in 1988. The company generates revenues from contract research and seed sales, but the bulk of its funding to date has come from its major shareholders, NOVA Corporation of Alberta, John Labatt Limited and the Ontario Development Corp. Pioneer does not expect the acquisition to have an immediate material impact on earnings.

Pioneer Hi-Bred International Inc. was established in 1926 and is headquartered in Des Moines, Iowa. Conducting business in more than 60 countries, it is the world's largest agricultural genetics research company. It develops, produces and markets hybrid seed corn, sorghum, sunflowers and varieties of soybeans, alfalfa and wheat as well as microbial products for inoculation of crops and livestock. Pioneer also develops and markets business information products and services for farmers. Through its Specialty Plant Products division it develops, produces and markets crops with traits valuable to processors and end-users.

CONTACT: Jim Ansorge (business), 515-245-3578; Tim Martin (research), 515-270-3149, both of Pioneer. Canadian media call (for ACT) Jeremy Gawen, 416-677-0831, or (for Pioneer) Art Stirling, 800-265-9435

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#90305p2644 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Avondale Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: AVDL) today reported third quarter and nine months results in line with the projections released by the company last month.

For the third quarter, Avondale reported a net loss of $19.9 million, or $1.33 per share, compared with income of $217,000, or $0.01 per share, a year ago. The company's third quarter performance resulted in a net loss through the nine months of $19.5 million, or $1.27 per share, vs. net income of $3.5 million, or $0.23 per share, in the year-earlier period.

As the company previously announced, the third quarter results included a pre-tax charge of $31.5 million relating to increases in the estimated costs to complete two shipbuilding contracts with the U.S. Navy. Albert L. Bossier Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, said that the charge more than offset operating profit of $7.5 million from Avondale's other activities during the quarter. After deducting $1.9 million of net interest expense, the company reported a loss before ESOP contribution and income taxes of $25.9 million for the third quarter. A net ESOP contribution of $6.2 million and income tax credits totaling $12.2 million brought the net loss of $19.9 million for the third period. For the nine months, the company reported a loss before ESOP contribution and income taxes of $12.5 million. After an ESOP contribution of $18.8 million and income tax credits of $11.8 million, the net loss for the nine months was reported to be $19.5 million.

Bossier said, "We will now be completing both these contracts on essentially a break-even basis. Although our work on other projects is generally progressing well, the third quarter results have led us to conduct a close review of Avondale's overall operating costs. We have consistently emphasized being a low-cost operator but believe that additional savings can be realized that will further strengthen our fundamental competitive position."

Avondale Industries Inc., headquartered in metro New Orleans, is one of the nation's leading marine fabricators. In addition to its shipbuilding operations, the company specializes in boat and LCAC construction and is a major repair contractor for commercial and Navy ships. It is also involved in the modular construction of plants and components for a variety of land-based industries.

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#90305p2648 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNRISE, FL (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Jan Bell Marketing, Inc. (AMEX: JBM) today reported slightly increased sales and reduced earnings for the third quarter, in line with expectations.

Net sales were $36 million as compared to $35 million in the 1989 third period. Net income amounted to $1.1 million, or $.05 per share, versus $2.9 million, or $.15 per share, in the year-before quarter.

For the nine months of 1990, net sales totaled $90.6 million, up from $86 million a year ago. Net income was $4.1 million, or $.18 per share, versus $7.2 million, or $.38 a share, at the 1989 three- quarters mark.

The 1990 earnings per share reflect increases in weighted average shares outstanding of 14 percent for the third quarter and 18 percent for the nine months as a result of a public stock offering in October 1989. The 1989

per-share profits have been adjusted for a 50 percent stock dividend issued July 1989.

Rosemary B. Trudeau, vice president-finance, said the reduced third-quarter earnings reflect an increase in SG&A expenses as a percentage of sales to about 8.7 percent from 3.8 percent in the year-ago period, although down from 9.9 percent in the past second quarter. This year's increased SG&A is due to higher costs associated with a number of new customer programs being launched, and greater depreciation and amortization charges connected with the company's new headquarters and operations center.

Test programs of Jan Bell's "store-within-a-store," power formats, launched in the second quarter with new generation of supermarket and drug superstores, were expanded in the third quarter, and some further expansions are slated for the fourth period.

This month, seven more Smith's Food & Drug centers will be added, bringing to 14 the number of units in the Jan Bell-Smith's test program in the inter-mountain region. In November, too, three more Cubs stores in Minnesota will be added, in addition to two Cubs launched in the third quarter. Jan Bell is also starting in 10 Drug Emporium centers in Ohio, Georgia and Pennsylvania, and three Stop & Shop units in New England in this closing quarter.

Jan Bell also announced that it is entering into a long-term agreement to develop and operate a fine jewelry and watch department in 92 Charming Shoppes mostly in the Northeast, which will finish being rolled out this month. In addition, Jan Bell is developing under a joint venture agreement with Charming Shoppes, a women's specialty retailer, a special fine and watch catalog, with the first issue to be mailed early this month.

Jan Bell is a leading provider of fine jewelry to the value-conscious consumer through power-format marketing programs to distribution channels that emphasize quality, credibility and consistent value.

CONTACT: Rosemary B. Trudeau, vice president-finance of Jan Bell Marketing, 305-846-2798; or Jay M. Green, 212-661-8030, or Kathy Waller, 312-266-7800, both of the Financial Relations Board for Jan Bell Marketing

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#90305p2657 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Fifteen Nuveen closed-end municipal bond funds today declared federally tax-free dividends, as follows:

STOCK SYMBOL AND FUND		DIVIDEND PER SHARE
NUV	Nuveen Municipal Value Fund, Inc.	$ .0595(a)

NCA	Nuveen California Municipal Value Fund, Inc.	$ .0550(a)
NNY	Nuveen New York Municipal Value Fund, Inc.	$ .0563(a)
NMI	Nuveen Municipal Income Fund, Inc.	$ .0700(a)
NCM	Nuveen California Municipal Income Fund, Inc.	$ .0655(a)
NNM	Nuveen New York Municipal Income Fund, Inc.	$ .0675(a)
NPI	Nuveen Premium Income Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0900(a)
NPP	Nuveen Performance Plus Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0850(a)
NCP	Nuveen Cal. Performance Plus Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0850(a)
NNP	Nuveen NY Performance Plus Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0875(a)
NMA	Nuveen Municipal Advantage Fund, Inc.	$ .0910(a)
NMO	Nuveen Municipal Market Opportunity Fund, Inc.	$ .0910(a)
NCO	Nuveen Cal. Municipal Market Opportunity Fund, Inc.	$ .0850(a)
NNO	Nuveen NY Municipal Market Opportunity Fund, Inc.	$ .0875(a)
NQM	Nuveen Investment Quality Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0890(a)

(a) The previous dividends of these Nuveen closed-end funds, declared in October, were the same as those declared today.

The dividends declared today are payable Dec. 3 to shareholders of record Nov. 15. The ex-dividend date for all funds is Nov. 8. These funds are all closed-end municipal bond funds paying monthly dividends that are exempt from federal income taxes. In addition, dividends paid by the California and New York Funds listed above are also exempt from state income taxes for residents of those states. Earnings of the funds include income from private activity bonds, which may be subject to the Alternative Minimum Tax for some individuals.

In addition, the corporations listed below have declared additional dividends with the same declaration, record and payable dates mentioned above. These additional dividends, which are taxable, represent distributions of net capital gains realized from the sale of portfolio securities during the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990:

Exchange Symbol	Fund	Amount of Capital Gain Per Share
NUV	Nuveen Municipal Value Fund Inc.	$.01379 (all long-term)
NCM	Nuveen California Municipal Income Fund Inc.	$.05375 (all long-term)
NNM	Nuveen New York Municipal Income Fund Inc.	$.03493 (all long-term)

All of the funds are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, except for the Nuveen New York Municipal Income Fund, Inc., which is listed on the American Stock Exchange.

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#90305p2660 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN DIEGO (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Xscribe Corp. (NASDAQ: XSCR) announced today that Stenograph Corp. has decided not to acquire Xscribe. Xscribe also announced today that, as a result of uncertainty created by the proposed merger, its business has deteriorated rapidly. Xscribe is planning a major reorganization to reduce costs in response to the decreased sales levels. Xscribe's Sept. 30, 1990, results will include substantial restructuring charges that were not reflected in the previous preliminary earnings release.

Xscribe Corp. designs and markets a wide variety of high- technology software and hardware products for legal professionals including computer aided transcription systems for court reporters, microcomputer-based systems for litigation support, and real-time captioning systems for the hearing impaired.

CONTACT: Bruce C. Myers, CFO, of Xscribe, 619-457-5091

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#90305p2662 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Halliburton Co. (NYSE: HAL) today reported that its earnings for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 were 31 percent higher than its earnings in the 1989 third quarter. Net income increased to $55.4 million, or 52 cents a share, as compared to $42.4 million, or 40 cents a share, in last year's third quarter.

Net income in the 1990 third quarter reflects three items of special note which, on a combined basis, reduced net income by $2.0 million, or 2 cents a share, in the quarter. The three items were: (1) a provision for expected losses by the company's oil field services and engineering and construction services business groups as a result of recent events in Iraq and Kuwait; (2) higher than expected assessments by the Texas Workers' Compensation Assigned Risk Pool to the company's insurance services group; and (3) profit recognized on the sale of marine construction assets, which substantially offset the losses of the other two items.

For the nine month period ending September 30, 1990 the company's net income was $138.7 million, or $1.30 a share, a 59 percent increase compared to the first nine months of 1989 when net income was $87.5 million, or 82 cents a share.

The oil field services group's revenues increased to $756.0 million in the third quarter of 1990, 22 percent above revenues in the 1989 third quarter. The quarterly average worldwide rotary rig count increased by seven percent compared to last year's third quarter. The group's revenues grew faster than the rig count due to a combination of factors including stronger demand for workover services in the United States. The group's third quarter 1990 operating income increased to $78.8 million, 32 percent higher than last

year's third quarter. Third quarter 1990 operating income was reduced $11 million by provisions for expected losses with respect to operations in Iraq and Kuwait. Last year's third quarter operating income benefitted from an $8 million gain from the sale of excess assets.

The engineering and construction services group's revenues increased 25 percent to $959.0 million as compared to the third quarter of 1989. This growth was largely attributable to increased activity in the group's petrochemical, forest products, marine and maintenance services business units. Operating income for the quarter was $11.8 million, a decline of about 31 percent as compared to the third quarter of 1989. However, third quarter 1990 operating income reflects an $18 million provision for expected losses in Iraq related to receivables from construction projects completed before hostilities commenced.

The company's insurance services group had an operating loss of $10.1 million in the third quarter of 1990 reflecting a much larger than expected assessment from the Texas Workers' Compensation Assigned Risk Pool and generally poorer underwriting results of the company's Highlands Insurance Co. subsidiary. The assessment, which covered the assigned risk pool's loss experience in years prior to 1990, was $7.9 million greater than expected. Underwriting results in other lines of business were hampered by inadequate industry pricing and high levels of losses. An unusually high number of natural catastrophes over the past year has been a major cause of such losses. Highlands continues to closely manage its underwriting activities and a return to profitability is expected in the fourth quarter of 1990. The asset structure of the group is strong. Its investment portfolio does not include real estate related investments or junk bonds. The portfolio consists almost entirely of investment grade fixed income securities.

Halliburton Co. is one of the world's largest diversified oil field services, engineering and construction companies. Founded in 1919, Halliburton provides oil field services and products, industrial and marine engineering and construction services, and property and casualty insurance services.

CONTACT: Guy T. Marcus of Halliburton Co., 214-978-2691

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#90305p2663 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA MONICA, CALIF. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Wickes Companies, Inc. announced today that the regular quarterly dividend on its $2.50 Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A will be payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 15, 1990.

The dividend to be paid will be in the amount of $.625 per share in cash and will cover the period from Sept. 1, 1990, through and including Nov. 30, 1990.

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#90305p2666 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - National Gypsum Co. announced today that it has completed a Debtor-In-Possession revolving credit agreement with General Electric Capital Corp. for up to $105 million in post-filing financing. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division, today granted interim approval to make $25 million available to meet the company's near term needs.

National Gypsum Co. and its parent, Aancor Holdings Inc., filed voluntary petitions on October 28, 1990, for protection under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. The Austin Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of National Gypsum, was not included in the filing.

CONTACT: Allan V. Cecil of National Gypsum Co., 214-740-4544

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#90305p2669 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCOTTS VALLEY, CA. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Macintosh Corp. reported today that Richard Hill, its president since November 1989, had recently resigned to pursue other interests. Joseph J. McDowell, chairman and chief executive officer of Macintosh, said that he intended to act as president for a temporary period until a replacement is found.

McDowell said that Hill had served the company well during a difficult period of its corporate development, and that the company was now poised for growth.

Macintosh Corp., formed in 1984, was an inactive public company until November of 1989, and trades Over the Counter. 68000 Inc., its only operating subsidiary, was formed as a California corporation in September 1987 and is located in Scotts Valley.

CONTACT: Stanton Creasey of Macintosh Corp., 408-438-1777

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#90305p2682 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBUQUERQUE, NM (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Yesterday the board of directors of Public Service Co. of New Mexico (PNM) (NYSE: PNM) declared regular quarterly dividends per share on the Cumulative Preferred Stock issues as follows: $1.145 on the 4.58 percent series; $2.12 on the 8.48 percent series; $2.1875 on the 8.75 percent series; $2.20 on the 8.80 percent series; and $1.565 on the 12.52 percent series.

All preferred stock dividends are payable Jan. 15, 1991 to holders of record Jan. 1, 1991.

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#90305p2684 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY, (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Today, the board of directors of Smith's Food & Drug Centers Inc. (NYSE: SFD) declared a regular quarterly dividend of 7 cents per common share. The dividend is payable on Dec. 14, 1990 to holders of record of Smith's common stock on Nov. 15, 1990.

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CEDAR RAPIDS, IA (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - IE Industries Inc. (NYSE: IEL) , a Cedar Rapids-based holding company, announced 1990 third quarter earnings of $3.51 per share. That compares to $1.21 per share for the same period in 1989. Earnings for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $4.39 per share compared to $2.28 per share for the same period a year earlier. 1990 third quarter results include a pre-tax gain of $66 million resulting from the mid-August sale to MCI of IE Industries' holdings in Telecom-USA. Proceeds from the sale currently are being invested in short-term securities.

Revenues for the quarter were $130.1 million, compared with $118 million for the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $51.4 million, compared with $17.4 million for the same period in 1989.

Iowa Electric Light and Power Co., the principal subsidiary of IE Industries, reported a 1 percent increase in kilowatt hour sales for the quarter, compared with the same quarter last year.

In an Order of the Iowa Utilities Board issued on Oct. 25, 1990, Iowa Electric was allowed to increase electric tariffs by $24.1 million; the company had requested an increase of $25 million.

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ST. PAUL. MN. (NOV. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Zeos International, Ltd. (NASDAQ-NMS: ZEOS) today reported record sales for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter totaled $34,061,977, representing a 235.4 percent increase over the third quarter of 1989.

Net earnings for the company's third quarter of 1990, totaled $883,054 or $.28 per share on a fully diluted basis. Net earnings were impacted by one-time payments for patent-related issues and promotional expenses for the Zeos 386SX portable, the projected ship date for which has been delayed until December. On-going royalty charges in the current quarter impacted the company's gross margin percentage but were partially offset by reduced costs attributable to the early effects of ongoing improvements in operating efficiencies and reduced component costs.

Demand for the company's new line of transportable products is expected to increase substantially during the fourth quarter. The company's newly introduced 286 Notebook has been well-received by the marketplace and is expected to contribute significantly to the company's anticipated fourth quarter sales growth. Demand for the Zeos 386SX and 386DX based desktop systems also remained strong in the third quarter.

Zeos International, Ltd., manufactures and markets, direct to end users, ISA and EISA (Industry Standard and Extended Industry Standard Architecture) personal computer systems worldwide under the Zeos name. The company also manufactures electronic products for others through its contract manufacturing division, NPC Electronics, and distributes electronic components through its parts distribution division, Parts1.

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#90305p2697 11/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, Alberta (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Interhome Energy's (Toronto: IHE) earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $104.4 million, or $2.63 per share, up 23 percent from the $85.0 million, or $2.15 per share, before an extraordinary gain in 1989. Pipeline earnings increased 11 percent from the same period last year, primarily due to an improved contribution from the Canadian Main System. Earnings from oil and gas operations rose 48 percent as a result of higher crude oil prices. Increased non- pipeline financing costs, largely due to higher interest rates under the oil indexed debenture, were partially offset by a favorable tax adjustment.

Cash from operations increased 8 percent to $281.2 million for the first nine months. The improved contribution from pipeline operations resulted from higher Canadian main system earnings. Higher commodity prices and increased natural gas sales enhanced the contribution from oil and gas operations.

System deliveries of crude oil and other liquid hydrocarbons averaged 1,432,000 barrels per day, a marginal decline from the same period in 1989.

Shipments were limited by a reduction in western Canadian light crude oil production and extended refinery turnarounds in eastern Canada.

Production of crude oil averaged 25,020 barrels per day, down from 26,427 barrels per day one year ago, reflecting the sale of Home Oil's international properties early in 1990. Natural gas liquids production averaged 6,553 barrels per day, a 13 percent increase from the nine month period one year ago. Natural gas sales averaged 153 million cubic feet per day, compared with 147 million cubic feet per day last year.

Additional deliveries under three new sales contracts account for the increase. In the third quarter of 1990, earnings increased 54 percent to $41.2 million, or $1.03 per share, principally as a result of higher crude oil prices. The company received an average oil price of $27.89 per barrel during the quarter.

The special committees of the boards of directors of Interhome Energy Inc. and Gulf Canada Resources Ltd. continue to evaluate the restructuring proposal advanced by Olympia & York Developments Limited in June, 1990.

A quarterly dividend of $0.50 per share was declared by the board of directors payable Dec. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 14, 1990.

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#90305t0858 11/01/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (NOV. 1) TASS - SOME 40 STUDENTS WITH WHITE HEADBANDS WENT ON A ONE-DAY HUNGER STRIKE IN DOWNTOWN MOSCOW TODAY TO DEMAND THE RESIGNATION OF THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT, THE NATIONALIZATION OF PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE KOMSOMOL AND THE COMMUNIST PARTY, DE-POLITISATION OF LIFE AND AN ALTERNATIVE TO THE OBLIGATORY TWO-YEAR ARMY SERVICE.

THE STUDENTS POSITIONED THEMSELVES ON RUBBER MATTRESSES AND FOLDED CHAIRS IN FRONT OF THE CENTRAL EXHIBITION CENTRE ON MANEGE SQUARE, JUST A HUNDRED METERS FROM THE KREMLIN.

THE PROTEST IS SPONSORED BY THE NEWLY-ORGANIZED MOSCOW STUDENT CLUB AND A COMMITTEE FOR THE CREATION OF THE ECHO PARTY OF YOUTH SOLIDARITY.

THE DEMANDS PUT FORWARD BY THE PROTESTERS ARE RADICAL BUT DECLARATIVE AND, ACCORDING TO MOSCOW STUDENT CLUB CO-CHAIRMAN ALEXEI KIRYUSHKIN ARE DESIGNED TO DRAW PUBLIC ATTENTION TO STUDENTS' HARDSHIPS.

"SO FAR OUR HUNGER STRIKE AIMS TO TEST THE REACTION OF VARIOUS PUBLIC GROUPS. OUR FURTHER STEPS WILL DEPEND ON THIS," KIRYUSHKIN SAID.

THE PROTEST HAS NO RELATION WHATSOEVER TO TODAY'S MEETING BETWEEN PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES.

THE STRIKE MARKS THE FIRST DAY OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE "500 DAYS" REFORM PROGRAM.

ITS ORGANISERS RELY ON THE EXPERIENCE OF UKRAINIAN STUDENTS WHO RECENTLY STAGED A HUNGER STRIKE IN KIEV, ECHO COORDINATOR ANNA KARETNIKOVA SAID.

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#90305t0881 11/01/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (NOV. 1) TASS - A NEW SOVIET JOURNAL AIMS TO HELP WESTERN BUSINESSMEN FIND THEIR FEET IN THE BEWILDERING WORLD OF SOVIET TRADE. THE FIRST ISSUE OF THE RUSSIAN BUSINESS REVIEW QUARTERLY CAME OFF THE PRESSES IN MOSCOW TODAY, WITH ITS EDITORIAL STAFF CONFIDENT IT WILL MAKE A MAJOR SPALSH IN THE WORLD OF COMMERCE.

THE JOURNAL'S COMMERCIAL DIRECTOR SERGEI FEDYUKHIN TOLD TASS TODAY THAT RUSSIAN BUSINESS REVIEW DIFFERS FROM SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS IN THE USSR IN THAT ITS READERS WILL BE ONLY PROFESSIONALS -- WESTERN BUSINESSMEN, FINANCIERS AND BANKERS INTERESTED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF BUSINESS CONTACTS IN THE SOVIET UNION.

THE JOURNAL IS PUBLISHED IN ENGLISH AND IS TO BE CIRCULATED IN 50 COUNTRIES. THE MENATEP INTER-BANKING ASSOCIATION WILL HELP THE JOURNAL FINANCIALLY.

IN FEDYUKHIN'S OPINION, THE RUSSIAN BUSINESS REVIEW WILL COMPETE WITH USSR-BASED JOURNALS, INCLUDING FACE TO FACE, BUSINESS IN THE USSR, LINK, BUSINESS CONTACT AND MOSCOW BUSINESS.

FEDYUKHIN IS SURE THAT THE JOURNAL WILL BE A TOUGH COMPETITOR, SINCE ITS EDITORIAL OFFICE HAS ACCESS TO THE MOST VALUABLE SOURCES OF BUSINESS INFORMATION IN THE USSR, AND ITS STAFF MEMBERS DIRECTLY PARTICIPATE IN DRAFTING NEW BILLS ON FOREIGN ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES.

FEDYUKHIN SAID THAT THE JOURNAL IS NOW LOOKING FOR A FOREIGN PARTNER WHO IS READY TO SHARE RISKS AND PROFITS FROM THE PUBLICATION. HIS DUTIES WILL BE TO ORGANISE ADVERTISING, SUBSCRIPTION, PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE EDITION.

THE COLLECTION AND EDITORIAL PROCESSING OF INFORMATION, ITS TRANSLATION INTO ENGLISH, COLLECTION OF ADVERTISING IN THE USSR AND OTHER WORK TO PREPARE THE JOURNAL FOR PRINTING ARE BEING DONE BY THE SOVIET SIDE.

FEDYUKHIN BELIEVES THAT THIS DISTRIBUTION OF DUTIES WILL EARN THE WESTERN PARTNER 50-70 PERCENT OF NET PROFITS.

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#90305u0094 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - Scientists have discovered a genetic defect that seems to predispose people to one type of aneurysm, a step that may help identify those prone to deadly artery ruptures, it was reported Thursday.

Researchers at Philadelphia's Thomas Jefferson University found a genetic defect that appears to cause aneurysms on a major artery in at least one family, and devised a simple saliva test for the defect in that family.

''I think it's a very important discovery,'' said Dr. M. David Tilson, a professor of surgery at Columbia University in New York. ''It's a milestone in the understanding of this problem.''

Aneurysms are a weakening and ballooning of the side of an artery wall that can eventually burst. There are many kinds of aneurysms that occur in various parts of the body, including the brain, the chest and the abdomen.

Doctors had long suspected aneurysms ran in families, but the new research is the first direct evidence of a genetic link.

''It's the first definitive identification of a gene that's probably involved in aneurysm disease in a family,'' Tilson said.

The new research dealt with one family that appeared prone to aneurysms in the aorta, the largest artery in the body. More than 15,000 Americans die each year from aortic aneurysms and an estimated 2 million are at risk for developing them.

''Our study proves for the first time that there is a genetic cause for aortic aneurysms in people who do not have any other sign of a genetic disease,'' said Dr. Darwin Prockop, who led the research. ''Our discovery means that we can identify people with aneurysms before they burst.''

A genetic disposition to the aneurysms in other families probably involves different defects in the same gene, he said. Members of other families could undergo similar study to develop tests for them, he said.

In addition, the discovery could lead to a greater understanding of the underlying cause of aneurysms overall and better ways to diagnose and treat them, said Dr. Philip Dobrin of the Hines Veterans Administration Hospital in suburban Chicago.

''Before we can start fixing things we have to know mechanisms,'' he said.

The researchers studied the genes of Michele Hegler of Houston who had five relatives who died from ruptured aortic aneurysms.

By studying genetic material from Hegler's skin cells, the researchers found

one of 30,000 chemical codes was wrong in the gene that carries instructions for the production of a protein called collagen III, the researchers reported in the Journal of Clinical Investigation.

Colagen III is one protein that provides the structural foundation for many body tissues, including blood vessels and skin. The minor defect discovered in the gene is apparently enough to weaken the protein's strength in the aorta. Tests on the collagen from Hegler showed the protein was defective, Prockop said.

The researchers also studied genetic material from Hegler's mother, who died of an aneurysms in 1960, and aunt, who had several aneurysms before she died in 1986. Their genes contained the same defect, the researchers said.

Based on their findings, the researchers developed a test using cells from a teaspoonful of saliva to identify other members of Hegler's family who have the same defect and therefore are apparently at risk for developing aneurysms.

Identifying people at risk for the aneurysms alerts doctors who should be monitored carefully for development of the aneurysms so they can undergo corrective surgery before it is too late, Prockop said.

''Some of these people can be saved by surgery in which the defective part of the aorta is replaced by a synthetic aorta,'' he said.

Nine of Hegler's relatives underwent the test and four - Hegler's 15- year-old son, 17-year-old daughter, brother and half-aunt - were found to carry the defect.

''I was always concerned about my family's history of aneurysms because so many died. I often wondered whether the same thing could happen to me,'' Hegler said in a press release. ''Now that I know, my family and I take precautions.''

Her son no longer plays football and they plan to undergo tests every year to check for aneurysms.

''It's a great relief to know that these annual tests can catch the aneurysm before it progresses too far,'' she said.

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#90305u0152 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 1) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Boston - Agreed to 2-year contract with pitcher Greg Harris; added pitchers Tom

Fischer, Derek Livernois, Dan O'Neill, Jeff Plympton, Dave Owen and Scott Taylor to 40-man roster.

Cincinnati - Declined to exercise 1991 contract option for second baseman Ron Oester.

Chattanooga (Southern League) - Named Matthew Riley director of marketing and public relations, Melissa Sparks director of promotions and special events and Jay Braezeu director of sales.

Huntsville (Southern League) - Named Casey Parsons manager and Bert Bradley pitching coach.

Kansas City - Announced it will not offer a contract to outfielder Willie Wilson.

Los Angeles - Purchased contracts of first baseman Eric Karros and outfielder Henry Rodriguez from San Antonio of the Texas League; reinstated pitchers Orel Hershiser and Tim Belcher and infielder Jeff Hamilton from disabled list.

Madison (Midwest League) - Named Gary Jones manager and Scott Budner pitching coach.

Oklahoma City (AA) - Named Tommy Thompson manager and Jeff Andrews and Stan Hough coaches.

Philadelphia - Signed catcher Darren Daulton to 3-year contract; named Johnny Podres pitching coach.

Pittsburgh - Declined to exercise 1991 contract option for pitcher Ted Power.

San Diego - Re-signed first-base coach Rob Picciolo; named Merv Rettenmund hitting coach and Tom Gamboa minor-league field coordinator; reassigned hitting coach Jack Maloof within the organization.

Southern Oregon (Northwest League) - Named Dick Scott manager and Gil Patterson pitching coach.

Tacoma (PCL) - Named Jeff Newman manager and Glenn Abbott pitching coach.

BASKETBALL

Atlanta - Waived forwards Duane Ferrell and Darren Henrie.

Columbus (CBA) - Waived guard Mel Kennedy.

Golden State - Placed forward-center Jim Petersen and guard Bart Kofoed on injured list; waived guard Stan Kimbrough.

Minnesota - Extended contract of guard Tony Campbell through 1994; waived center Gary Leonard, forward Johnny Rogers and guard Tim Legler.

New Jersey - Released forward Anthony Mason and guard Pete Myers.

Sacramento - Released center Marty Conlan and guard Joe Fredrick.

Sioux Falls (CBA) - Signed guard Lancaster Gordon to a 1-year contract.

COLLEGE

Fordham - Named Tim Finnerty basketball assistant.

Houston - Announced basketball forward Craig Upchurch will miss season because of a back injury.

Kansas State - Dismissed forward Kenny Williams from the basketball team.

King's College (Pa.) - Announced it will reinstitute varsity football.

North Carolina - Named Bruce Hemphill director of football recruiting.

FOOTBALL

Cleveland - Signed linebacker Ken Rose; waived receiver Eugene Rowell.

Indianapolis - Signed quarterback Rusty Hilger; re-signed wide receiver Reggie Thornton and assigned him to practice squad.

LA Rams - Assigned running back Marcus Dupree to practice squad; released running back Fred Whittingham Jr.

NY Jets - Signed offensive tackle Mark Hosland to practice squad.

San Francisco - Placed wide receiver Mike Sherrard on injured reserve; activated wide receiver Ron Lewis; added nose tackle Odell Haggins and defensive end Martin Harrison to practice squad.

Hockey

Chicago - Signed right wing Steve Larmer to a 4-year contract.

Hartford - Acquired defenseman Marc Bergevin from the NY Islanders for future considerations; assigned Bergevin to Springfield of American Hockey League.

NY Islanders - Returned left wing Rich Kromm and right wing Derek Laxdal to Capital District of American Hockey League.

Philadelphia - Sent goaltender Pete Peeters and defenseman Murray Baron to Hershey of American Hockey League; called up goaltender Bruce Hoffort from Hershey.

Toronto - Sent right wing John Kordic to Newmarket of American Hockey League.

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#90305u0175 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

Santa Monica, Calif. (NOV. 1) UPI - A girl out trick-or-treating collapsed and died of cardiac arrest, and police were treating it as a poisoning, while a boy was killed and his brother critically injured when they were hit by cars.

Police said 7-year-old Arial Katz collapsed and died of cardiac arrest about 8 p.m. Wednesday after trick-or-treating. Police said she had no previous medical problems and authorities were treating the death as a poisoning.

Tests were being conducted on her body and on the candy she had gathered. The street where the girl collapsed was sealed off by police.

In Stanton, 5-year-old Hoang Minh Le was killed and his 7-year-old brother, Thanh, was critically injured when they were hit by separate cars while trick-or-treating near Knott's Berry Farm.

The brothers were out with six other children about 6 p.m. when the group decided to cross a busy street without a crosswalk, sheriff's Lt. Larry Richey said.

They got to the middle of the street, then apparently changed their minds and tried to make it back. Hoang Le was struck by a car and killed. Thanh Le was hit by a second car and was in critical condition at UCI Medical Center.

Neither driver was charged.

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#90305u0190 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 1) UPI - Around the world, around the clock, the latest news from U-P-I...

Halloween brought more than one holiday tragedy to California. Police in Santa Monica are investigating as a poisoning the cardiac arrest death of a seven-year-old girl who collapsed after trick-or-treating. Tests are being conducted on the child's body as well as on the candy she had gathered.

In Stanton, California, a five-year-old boy was killed and his seven- year-old brother was critically hurt when they were hit by separate cars while trick-or-treating. Police say the boys were in a group crossing a busy street

without a crosswalk. They apparently changed their minds after reaching the middle of the street and tried to run back.

In Detroit, an army of 35-thousand volunteers took to the streets for a third and final night to fight arsonists whose fires have become an unwanted tradition. Mayor Coleman Young says figures on the numbers of fires will NOT be available until a news conference tomorrow.

A political science professor at the University of Virginia does NOT think much of President Bush's political strategy. As Larry Sabato puts it- ''He gave up his NO new taxes pledge and got NOthing in return.'' Sabato says Bush damaged his own party's chances in both houses and his own in 1992.

The Republican National Committee dismisses such talk as unfounded doom and gloom. Political director Norman Cummings say congressional and gubernatorial races will be determined by state issues. Regardless, President Bush hits the road again today to campaign for G-O-P contenders in advance of Tuesday's election.

The shuttle Atlantis is again grounded. But this time, the reason is different. The Air Force yesterday announced that the shuttle's military mission has been postponed due UNdisclosed problems. Word of the delay came one day after NASA declared the ship leak-free and ready for launch next week.

President Bush is letting off steam as the stalemate in the Persian Gulf drags into a third month. Bush warned yesterday that he has ''had it'' with Iraq's treatment of American hostages in the Middle East. But Bush added that he does NOT feel any pressure to launch a military attack against Iraq.

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#90305u0193 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 1) UPI - New York Rangers goalkeeper Mike Richter made the difference Wednesday night.

In a battle between the two best teams in the NHL this season, the Rangers rolled to a 9-4 victory over Los Angeles after scoring five third-period goals against two Kings goaltenders.

''It was exciting, but not quite a playoff atmosphere,'' said John Ogrodnick, who scored two goals. ''Mike Richter was the difference in the game. Of course if you get nine goals, you're going win. They could have gotten nine goals too if it weren't for Richter.''

Richter stopped 38 of 42 Kings shots to register his fifth victory of the season. The victory extended the Rangers' club record season-opening home victory streak to eight games. The Rangers have now won six in a row and 11 out of 12, giving them the best record in the young NHL season.

Rangers Coach Roger Neilson disapproves of these kind of shootout games, but praised Richter's performance.

''Our goalkeeper was outstanding and they still got four goals,'' Neilson said. ''That tells you what kind of game it was.''

Los Angeles suffered its third loss against nine victories and a tie.

''We had a bad period in the third,'' said Kings center Wayne Gretzky, who scored his 2,000th NHL point last weekend. ''They scored five goals. But those kind of things happen to every team. We'll just have to regroup.''

Elsewhere in the NHL, Boston and Buffalo skated to a 3-3 tie, Montreal defeated Hartford 4-2 and Winnipeg edged Edmonton 1-0 in overtime.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Bruins 3, Sabres 3, tie

At Buffalo, N.Y., Bobby Carpenter scored a power-play goal with 9:45 left in the third period, lifting Boston. Carpenter took a pass from Garry Galley and sent a 20-foot wrist shot under goaltender Clint Malarchuk's glove and off the far post. Rick Vaive had put Buffalo ahead 3-2 at 8:08 of the third.

Canadiens 4, Whalers 2

At Hartford, Conn., Russ Courtnall scored two goals and Patrick Roy stopped 26 shots, helping Montreal hand the Whalers their fifth consecutive loss. Denis Savard and Brian Skrudland also scored for the Canadiens, who snapped a two-game losing streak. Sylvain Cote and Randy Cunneyworth scored for the Whalers, who have not won since a 3-1 triumph at Toronto Oct. 17.

Jets 1, Oilers 0, OT

At Edmonton, Alberta, Pat Elynuik scored 23 seconds into overtime, helping Winnipeg hand the Oilers their fifth straight loss. Elynuik drilled a low wrist shot from 25 feet out that got by defenseman Greg Hawgood and went between goaltender Bill Ranford's pads. Goaltender Bob Essensa made 34 saves to earn his third career shutout.

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(NOV. 1) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BOXING

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Atlantic City, N.J. - Bruce Seldon vs. David Bey

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Atlantic City, N.J. - Sharmba Mitchell vs. Robert Byrd

GOLF

Tokyo - $1.15 million PGA Four Tours World Championship

HOCKEY

St. Louis at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Minnesota at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Quebec at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.
Winnipeg at Calgary, 9:35 p.m.
New Jersey at Vancouver, 10:35 p.m.

ROWING
Lake Barrington, Australia - World Championships

TENNIS
Oakland, Calif. - $350,000 Virginia Slims of California
Paris - $2 million Paris Open

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#90305u0208 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (NOV. 1) UPI - The government Thursday clamped emergency regulations and a nightly curfew on three strife-torn black townships of Cape Town, one day after lifting special security measures in 11 others around Johannesburg.

Minister of Law and Order Adriaan Vlok said late Wednesday the shanty townships of Lingulethu, Khayelitsha, and Old Crossroads would officially be designated ''unrest areas,'' giving police wide powers of search, confiscation and arrest.

Police also would enforce a 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. curfew. ''The growing turmoil in these areas has made these steps inevitable,'' a spokesman for Vlok said.

The sprawling townships of more than 500,000 people have been rocked by internecine and anti-government violence for more than a week. In the first two days - the most serious - clashes involving police and rival residents' groups in Khayelitsha killed eight people and injured at least 36.

Police estimate scores more have been hurt. Witnesses said followers of the

African National Congress, which has demanded the dismantling of apartheid-created local black town councils, sparked the fighting with attacks on the homes of councillors and council supporters.

Vlok Wednesday lifted emergency regulations in 11 townships straddling Johannesburg, citing a sharp drop in the black factional fighting which prompted the measures in late August.

But he said the special rules, imposed in 27 townships in the region on Aug. 24, would be maintained in the remaining 16 areas as they were still experiencing sporadic violence.

Pretoria imposed the emergency measures after more than two weeks of factional fighting in the Transvaal province townships killed some 500 people. But the battles continued and the major violence was only quelled after another month and 300 deaths by the introduction of the military-style Operation Iron Fist.

Most Iron Fist measures, including roadblocks, army and police patrols, and cordoning off flashpoint areas, are still in effect. One other township under nightly curfew is Toekomsrus, west of Johannesburg.

But in troubled Natal province, President Frederik de Klerk on Oct. 18 lifted a 52-month-old state of emergency. He said internecine conflict had largely tailed off but was also making a concession to the ANC.

ANC Deputy President Nelson Mandela called the whole range of emergency regulations and Iron Fist rules ''totally useless'' and said they did not address the root causes of the problem.

Government officials characterized the violence chiefly as tribal- based, between the exclusively Zulu Inkatha and the multi-tribal ANC. But Mandela said a shadowy ''third force,'' possibly backed by right wing security force elements, was fomenting the fighting.

The ANC also accused Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi of exporting the violence from the Zulu power-base of Natal, where fighting between Inkatha and the ANC has killed up to 4,000 people since 1987.

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#90305u0240 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (NOV. 1) UPI - An Arab stabbed and wounded a 47-year-old Israeli Thursday in what police said apppeared to be a politically motivated attack, Army Radio reported.

Since Oct. 21, three Israelis have been killed and 10 wounded, and four Palestinians killed and three wounded in a wave of intercommunal violence. The violence has revived a debate whether Palestinians from the occupied West Bank

and Gaza Strip should be allowed to work within Israel.

In the latest incident, the Israeli garage owner was attacked about 6:45 a.m. in the coastal town of Rishon Le Zion. He was stabbed about 10 times. Police said they believed the assault was politically motivated, Army Radio reported.

The attacker escaped and police mounted a large search in the area, detaining about 200 Palestinians for questioning. A suspect was arrested later in the morning at a roadblock in the Gaza Strip.

Large numbers of police were moved into the area to prevent reprisals against Arab workers.

The victim, Shalom Stezi, was fair condition in Wolfson Hospital in Holon.

The stabbing came two days after a rash of attacks by Arabs on Israelis. One Palestinian was killed and two wounded when a bomb they allegedly were trying to plant in a grocery store exploded Tuesday. A second Palestinian was killed during a knife attack on the Israeli guard of an oil truck.

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#90305u0245 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (NOV. 1) UPI - Forces of the Vietnamese-backed Cambodian government launched counterattacks against the resistance and killed 152 guerrillas in three days this week, official Radio Phnom Penh reported.

The broadcast, monitored in Bangkok late Wednesday, said the three- part resistance coalition has escalated military actions against government troops in several areas despite what it called Phnom Penh' s efforts to settle the 12-year-old Cambodian conflict.

The resistance has said it has stepped up its battlefield activities to bring the government back to the negotiating table.

The radio said government troops on Monday launched a five-hour counterattack against the resistance in Chikreng District of Siem Reap- Oddar Meanchey Province, 138 miles northwest of Phnom Penh. It said 79 guerrillas were ''put out of action,'' including 70 killed.

On Tuesday the Khmer Rouge resistance group said it captured the district seat of Chikreng district, killing 21 government troops. There was no independent confirmation of either account of the fighting.

The government radio said resistance forces also lost 48 men killed elsewhere in Siam Reap on Sunday.

Phnom Penh troops carried out counterattacks that killed 34 resistance troops

in two northern provinces on Oct. 27, it said.

''This is evidence that our armed forces always have the upper hand in the military field and have crushed all attempts of the three reactionary factions on a timely basis,'' the radio said.

The government, installed by Vietnamese invasion of Cambodia in late 1978, is fighting a three-part resistance coalition led by the Khmer Rouge who were ousted by the Vietnamese.

The resistance controls large areas in the countryside but has so far been unable to capture major populated areas from the Soviet-supplied and Vietnamese-backed government army.

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#90305u0246 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, Kenya (NOV. 1) UPI - Rwandan troops have routed rebels who invaded the east African nation four weeks ago, pushing them back over the Ugandan border and clearing the way for peace negotiations, state-run Radio Rwanda said Thursday.

A complete rebel pull-out was the main condition Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana had set for peace talks with the insurgent Rwandese Patriotic Front.

Ugandan residents close to the RPF said, however, the rebels may have tactically withdrawn from the Rwandan border towns they had occupied in order to plan a new offensive.

''The majority of the rebels are hiding in the bushes not far from the towns '' said a local resident.

Earlier this week government troops had recaptured the garrison towns of Kagitumba, Muvumba, Nyakatare and Gabiro in northern Rwanda near the Ugandan border, some 45 miles from the capital, Kigali.

''Our highly-spirited troops pounded the invaders with firepower and obliterated them in fierce fighting lasting 39 hours,'' said the radio, monitored in Nairobi.

''Not a single rebel remains on Rwandan territory,'' it said.

The radio said Rwandans sang victory songs along the route taken by government troops as they returned to Kigali on Wednesday.

''People are happy that the power-hungry rebels are no longer occupying even an inch of Rwanda,'' the radio said.

The rebels, mainly armed fighters from the minority Tutsi tribe exiled in Uganda who invaded Rwanda a month ago vowing to oust the majority Hutu Government, have not commented on the government statement.

Hundreds of thousands of Tutsis fled into Rwanda's neighboring nations in the late 1950s and early 1960s to escape tribal killings and food shortages in their homes and 80,000 refugees were living in Uganda alone.

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#90305u0248 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (NOV. 1) UPI - The government said Thursday China has sustained substantial economic losses in implementing sanctions against Iraq, including $2 billion in business and undisclosed debts, but it declined to say how much was in lost arms sales.

The disclosure by the Chinese Foreign Ministry was apparently aimed at enhancing the country's image as a serious player in the effort to isolate Baghdad over its invasion and occupation of Kuwait.

China, as one of the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council, has joined with U.N. resolutions against Iraq and has steadfastly called on Baghdad to withdraw from Kuwait.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Li Jinhua, at a news briefing, said Beijing has ''earnestly implemented'' economic sanctions against Iraq and has as a consequence ''suffered considerable economic losses.''

Li said China had lost $2 billion in trade, transport, civil aviation and other business dealings. She said the figure was preliminary, and did not elaborate on whether it included agreements signed but not yet initiated.

Li declined comment when asked how much of the losses were in arms sales. China had been one of Iraq's major weapons suppliers, but suspended arms sales in the days following the invasion of Kuwait.

She said, however, the $2 billion figure ''does not include financial debt that Iraq owed to China in trade business, economic affairs and labor service.''

The amount of Iraq's debts was not disclosed.

About 5,000 Chinese laborers were believed to have been in Iraq and several thousand others in Kuwait. Most of those in Kuwait have left, but many remain in Iraq. Some of those were believed to be assisting with Chinese weapons systems delivered to Baghdad.

''China is very much concerned with the tension in the Gulf,'' Li said, repeating government calls for a peaceful settlement.

In line with China's effort to portray itself as a force for peace in the Gulf crisis, Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen is expected to travel to the Middle East within the next month, foreign diplomats in Beijing said.

One diplomat said Qian was expected to visit Saudi Arabia, Egypt and possibly Syria, although the Damascus stop was not yet final.

Although steadfastly calling for peace in the Gulf, China has dropped shrill criticism of the U.S. and other foreign military deployments in the region, which it had initially assailed by saying Beijing ''opposed big-power military involvement.''

The shift came under quiet diplomatic nudging from the United States, according to U.S. officials.

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(NOV. 1) UPI - Stormy weather battered the Northwest again Thursday with snow in Idaho and Wyoming, travel advisories throughout the region and more on the way, while much of the nation enjoyed clear skies and comfortable temperatures.

A strong storm dumped up to 7 inches of snow in the Rocky Mountains as it moved down from the northwest, causing temperatures to plummet in several states.

Snow advisories were posted for the mountains of northern and western Wyoming and the mountains above 5,000 feet in northwestern Idaho and snow showers were possible in Boise, the National Weather Service said.

A moist low pressure system moving across the Rockies brought snow to the south entrance of Yellowstone park, but few travel problems were reported in the region.

Scattered showers and fog covered Seattle, where temperatures were in the 30s. To the east, snow and ice on roads in the mountains prompted warnings to drivers to use snow tires.

The storm was expected to move southeast into Colorado on Thursday, causing temperatures to plummet and bringing gusty winds to the area surrounding Denver.

To the east, dense fog covered southwest Lower Michigan, cutting visibility to several hunder feet.

Fog also blanketed Houston, Texas, and the surrounding areas and visibility was down to a quarter mile at Intercontinental Airport.

Clear skies and seasonable temperatures covered most of New England while New York City enjoyed highs in the 60s and mostly clear skies.

A strong high pressure system brought clear skies and cool temperatures to the South with lows in the 30s in some areas, but the day was expected to warm up quickly to highs in near 80 degrees.

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#90305u0269 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - In a grisly tale of Halloween horror, a gang of teens - some wearing masks - stole over a foot bridge onto a small island and attacked eight homeless people in shanties, fatally wounding one man, police said Thursday.

The incident began about 9:50 p.m. Wednesday when between 10 and 12 teens headed into a wooded area on Ward's Island, a small piece of land in the East River near Manhattan, and killed one unidentified homeless man and wounded seven others.

''Some of the teens had masks on,'' said Sgt. Ed Burns. ''They went to a wooded area where several homeless people were living in a shantie- type situation and they stabbed one guy to death and several others were stabbed and beaten and removed to local hospitals.''

No arrests had been made and the case was under investigation.

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#90305u0272 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 1) UPI - The dispatch of Japanese troops to the Persian Gulf has been stalled and may never materialize because strong public opposition has forced Japanese leaders to back away from the plan, political observers said Thursday.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu convened an emergency session of the Japanese Diet, or parliament, last month and asked lawmakers to give him the power to send non-combat troops overseas.

But strong public sentiment against deploying Japanese soldiers abroad for the first time since World War II appears to have doomed the bill.

A poll of Diet members released Thursday shows a solid majority oppose the measure. This follows several general opinion polls which show up to 70 percent of the public opposed to the plan.

Although Kaifu has not publicly said he is giving up on the proposal, several senior members of his Liberal Democratic Party admit the bill as written is dead.

Chief among them is Shin Kanemaru, a powerful behind-the-scenes leader and mentor to Kaifu, who said Tuesday the bill needs significant revision and should only be adopted as a temporary measure.

''The chance for the bill to pass is very close to zero,'' said Seizaburo Sato a political scientist at the University of Tokyo.

Masaya Ito, a political analyst and aide to former Prime Minister Hayato Ikeda said the bill would certainly not pass during the emergency session, which ends Nov. 10.

''There appears to be many disagreements and much discord within the Liberal Democratic Party,'' Ito said, adding public opposition was the cause of the trouble.

Japan has agreed to give $4 billion in financial support to the U.S.- led multinational forces deployed in the gulf after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, as well as to frontline states, but has not committed its human resources to the effort.

The United States has asked Japan to send personnel to the gulf to share in the risk the Americans have assumed. Washington has not publicly pressured Japan to send troops, saying it is up to Japan to figure out how to share the risk.

In August, the Japanese government called for 100 volunteers to join a medical team to be sent to the gulf, but only a handful of people volunteered. Eventually 17 people, including some government employees, went to Saudi Arabia in September, but most have since returned.

A poll by the Asahi Shimbun, a leading national newspaper, said of the 511 members of the lower house of the Diet, 56.2 percent oppose Kaifu's bill to allow sending the Japanese Self Defense Forces overseas.

Of the 181 lower house members who belong to the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, 49.2 percent said they support the bill without conditions. Another 14.3 percent said they support it with conditions, while those opposed to the bill said it was hastily drawn up and was not based on a national consensus.

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#90305u0376 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 1) UPI - Police in Santa Monica, California, say a seven-year-old girl

may have died of poisoning last night. The girl collapsed and died of cardiac arrest while trick or treating. In Stanton, California, a five- year-old boy was killed by a car and his brother critically injured.

Detroit Mayor Coleman Young says what he termed ''media hype'' was responsible for part of this week's Devil's Night problems. More fires were reported last night on the final night of the annual Halloween-week arson spree.

British Defense officials say the Iraqi military has built a 150- mile-long ''obstacle belt'' of mines, wire fences and tank traps across occupied Kuwait. They say Iraqi tanks are so well dug into the desert that aircraft will have a difficult task locating them.

A Manhattan jury today will consider how much money boxer Mike Tyson must pay in a woman's three-and-one-half Million dollar lawsuit. The same jury yesterday determined that Tyson committed battery against the Queens woman.

A senior citizen lobby group says bold action must be taken to bring down the nation's health costs projected to soar to one-point-four TRILLION dollars by the year 2000. Health Secretary Louis Sullivan says he won't be rushed into a decision.

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#90305u0384 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

EAST CHICAGO, IN (NOV. 1) UPI - A nun chased the ''devil'' out of a city- run haunted house where he was trying to convince children to sell their souls.

The haunted house featured a room where the devil asked children to sign over their souls while a ''lost soul'' implored them to resist.

A Roman Catholic nun, Sister Jeanne McGue of the Gary Diocese, mobilized priests to complain about the setup after she read about it in a newspaper.

''Granted, Halloween is supposed to be fun, but we have to draw the line,'' she said. ''This is not child's play.''

Parks Superintendent Richard Gomez said he closed the devil's room to avoid controversy, agreeing the idea might have been wrong for the most impressionable youngsters.

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#90305u0452 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 1) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange plummeted Thursday in widespread profit-taking, sparked by uncertainties over the Persian Gulf situation and the domestic political front.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which slipped 48.30 points Wednesday, tumbled 898.94 points - or 3.57 percent - to 24, 295.16.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all listed major shares fell 61.33 points to 1,794.79.

Declines hammered advances 1,003 to only 29, while 41 issues escaped the selloff.

Trading was light as an estimated 350 million shares changed hands, down from 426 million shares Wednesday.

Brokers said the U.S. dollar's rise to the 130-yen level bolstered the market but few investors wanted to buy at higher levels.

On the Tokyo Foreign Exchange, the U.S. dollar climbed above the 130- yen level for the first time in more than three weeks amid reports U.S. officials expressed concern over its recent sharp drop.

The dollar closed at 130.70 yen, up 1.35 yen from Wednesday's close of 129.35 yen, the Bank of Japan reported.

It was the fourth consecutive gaining session for the dollar, and the closing rate was the highest since Oct. 8 when the dollar closed at 130.05 yen.

Analysts said morning and afternoon waves of index-linked selling sent all sectors lower because sharp declines in stock-index futures made it profitable to sell on the cash market.

Profit-taking was widespread, but the low volume indicated investors were not dumping, analysts said.

The dim outlook for the domestic political situation stems from poor prospects for parliamentary approval of the government's proposal to dispatch troops to the Middle East to support the U.S.-led multinational forces deployed in Saudi Arabia.

On the trading floor, constructions were sold along with large- capital steels. Shipbuildings, real estates and consumer electricals, nonferrous metals, airlines and financial issues also softened.

Foods and some textiles were among scattered gainers.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks tumbled on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in light trading, dragged down by escalating tension in the Persian Gulf and a sharp fall in a key banking issue.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which fell 20.69 points Wednesday, shed 22.22

points to 2,968.74.

Among the narrower indexes, financials lost 29.14 points, industrials dropped 32.08, utilities gained 17.87 and properties fell 43.42 points.

Volume continued to be thin and dominated by local traders with turnover at 716.5 million shares, down from 720 million Wednesday.

Analysts said heavy third-quarter losses by Hongkong Bank's U.S. subsidary, Marine Midland, added to pessimism already pervasive in the market over the threat of war in the Gulf. Hongkong Bank shares closed down 17 1/2 cents at $4.70. Marine Midland reported its losses had soared to $111.5 million in the third quarter.

In Singapore, stock prices fell across a broad front on the Singapore Stock Exchange for the third consecutive session, with local investors retaining their cautious stance over the tense situation in the Gulf.

The closely watched Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 10.88 points Wednesday, lost another 20.27 points or 1.5 percent to 1,133.68.

The broader-based All Singapore Index, which lost 4.61 points Wednesday, fell 4.31 points to 315.29.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 25.9 million shares, compared with 36 million shares changing hands Wednesday.

Analysts said the fall in Tokyo following the lower closing on Wall Street also dampened spirits.

On the trading floor, Fraser and Neave ordinary shares paced the declining issues, easing 25 cents to $6.75, Singapore Land followed, falling 25 cents to $5.25 and Singapore Airlines easing 20 cents to $10.20.

Elsewhere, Jurong Shipyard added 10 cents to $4.94, Spore Fodder gained 5 cents to $1.96 and Metro Holdings added 2 cents to $3.90.

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#90305u0458 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 1) UPI - Trick-or-treating ended in death for two California children last night. Police in Santa Monica say a seven-year-old girl collapsed and died of cardiac arrest. Police say they are treating the girl's death as a poisoning. In Stanton, California, a five-year-old boy was killed and his brother critically injured when they were hit by cars while attempting to cross a street.

Devil's Night arson fires continued in Detroit last night, despite an army of

police and volunteers on the streets. Mischief also took its toll in New Jersey, where Camden police made 80 arrests, including 50 youths, for setting about 25 fires in vacant lots and breaking windows. In Trenton, New Jersey, about 300 people showered police with bricks and eggs when they tried to break up a street fight.

Four teen-agers were stabbed, two of them fatally, in three incidents in the New York City subway system yesterday. Police say the latest stabbings brings the number of deaths in the subway system this year to 22. A police spokesman says this is the third time in the last 10 years that the city has gone over the average of 20 deaths a year in its subway system.

The South African government today clamped emergency regulations and a nightly curfew on three strife-torn black townships of Cape Town. The restrictions come just one day after the government lifted special security measures in 11 other black townships around Johannesburg. The new crack-down is for areas hit by violence for the past week.

The legal battle over the gun used by Jack Ruby to kill Lee Harvey Oswald continues in a Dallas courtroom today. The executor for Ruby's estate testified yesterday that Ruby's possessions were worth less than 200 dollars at the time of his 1967 death. The gun that was once valued at 35 dollars is now said to be worth as much as 130-thousand dollars. Executor Jules Mayer and Ruby's brother, Earl, are fighting over the rights to sell the weapon.

South Korean President Roh Tae-woo said today that he hopes expanding trade and exchanges between South Korea and China will lead to formal diplomatic ties between the two nations in the near future. Roh said China has been showing a considerable change recently and is expected to re-adjust its diplomatic policies to meet reality.

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TOKYO (NOV. 1) UPI - Japan's wholesale prices in the second 10 days of October declined 0.1 percent from the previous 10 days as the yen's appreciation eased upward pressure on prices of imported goods, the Bank of Japan reported Thursday.

Prices of imported goods declined 0.9 percent from the preceding period but domestic wholesale prices gained 0.2 percent because of higher oil prices, the bank said.

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(NOV. 1) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	70	43	....
Anchorage cy	31	24	....
Asheville sy	77	37	....
Atlanta sy	78	52	....
Baltimore pc	71	43	....
Billings sh	55	28	....
Birmingham sy	79	45	....
Bismarck cy	55	32	....
Boston sy	57	46	....
Brownsville pc	85	66	....
Buffalo sy	64	47	....
Burlington Vt. pc	54	41	....
Charleston S.C. sy	79	53	....
Charlotte sy	80	46	....
Chicago sy	75	53	....
Cincinnati sy	76	46	....
Cleveland sy	74	45	....
Columbus Ohio sy	75	45	....
Dallas sy	83	61	....
Denver pc	69	35	....
Des Moines pc	78	53	....
Detroit sy	72	46	....
Duluth pc	68	42	....
El Paso pc	79	52	....
Evansville sy	77	46	....
Fargo cy	61	34	....
Hartford sy	62	40	....
Honolulu pc	87	72	....
Houston pc	81	59	....
Indianapolis sy	75	47	....
Jackson Miss. sy	82	45	....
Jacksonville pc	77	56	....
Kansas City sy	80	55	....
Las Vegas w	73	48	....
Little Rock sy	79	52	....
Los Angeles pc	68	55	....
Louisville sy	79	43	....
Memphis sy	79	50	....
Miami Beach pc	69	81	....
Milwaukee sy	75	51	....
Minneapolis pc	74	50	....
Nashville sy	79	44	....
New Orleans sy	79	56	....
New York sy	65	51	....
Oklahoma City pc	79	61	....
Omaha sy	80	54	....
Orlando pc	82	62	....

Philadelphia pc	67	45	....
Phoenix mc	86	56	....
Pittsburgh sy	73	49	....
Portland Me. sy	52	35	....
Portland Ore. pc	53	35	.01
Providence sy	60	43	....
Richmond sy	78	44	....
St. Louis sy	78	54	....
Salt Lake City r	51	32	....
San Antonio pc	82	60	....
San Diego pc	68	56	....
San Francisco sy	64	48	.09
San Juan pc	91	75	....
Seattle pc	51	35	.83
Spokane pc	43	24	.09
Tampa pc	84	63	....
Washington sy	74	49	....
Wichita w	84	60	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
c-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
n-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90305u0511 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (NOV. 1) UPI - Honda Motor Co. said Thursday it has raised prices of its 1991 model autos sold in the United States as much as 2 percent due to the U.S. dollar's recent weakness against the yen.

America Honda Motor Co., Honda's U.S. subsidiary, boosted the price of its Accord four-door 2200LX model 1.1 percent to $16,025 and the Accord four-door 2200EX to $17,745, also up 1.1 percent, Honda said.

The new price for the Civic CRX 1500HF is $9,325, up 2 percent, while the

Civic four-door 1600EX is to be priced at $12,075, up 1.5 percent, the automaker said.

The Prelude 4WS went up to $19,400, a rise of 1 percent. The Integra four-door 1800RS jumped 1.3 percent to $13,750, Honda said.

The dollar lost nearly 10 percent of its value against the yen during October before staging a slight rebound at the end of the month.

Honda also raised its prices when it introduced the new models in September.

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#90305u0527 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

AMMAN, JORDAN (NOV. 1) UPI - A top Palestine Liberation Organization official said Thursday Iraq would free all hostages if it is guaranteed there will be no military action to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis.

Yasser Abed Rabbo, head of the PLO's information department, told reporters that if Iraq receives assurances from the Soviet Union, France and China - three members of the U.N. Security Council - that war will not occur and that discussions for a political solution will begin, then all foreigners will be allowed to leave Iraq.

''All of them (hostages) would be allowed to leave if there is a clear position against war, and for the beginning of a political solution to the gulf crisis,'' Abed Rabbo said.

The PLO official, who arrived in Amman from Baghdad on Wednesday after he met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, stressed that the two main issues the Iraqi leadership was concerned with were stopping any possibility of war and beginning ''the political process to solve all political problems in the Middle East, including the Arab-Israeli conflict.''

Abed Rabbo added that although the United States was not willing to address all the problems in the Middle East when dealing with the gulf crisis, the Soviet Union and some European countries have expressed readiness to take a ''more balanced position.''

He described Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov's latest mission to Iraq as successful because of ''his beginning of a political dialogue.''

''We are looking for a new substantive initiative from the Soviets or the French. We believe that Primakov will have something on his next mission to the gulf and Iraq dealing with the crisis and the Middle East problems as a whole,'' Abed Rabbo said.

''There is still a chance for a joint initiative from the Soviet Union, France

and China with the support of the European Community and the non-alligned movement,'' the PLO official said.

He reiterated that any missions to Iraq that did not link the gulf crisis with the Arab-Israeli conflict and the Palestinian problem would fail.

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#90305u0530 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - The plastic box long used to tote fast food from McDonald's seems to be on its way out due to environmental considerations, The New York Times said Thursday.

The plastic box, a standard encasement for fast food burgers, has become a symbol of the garbage crisis and will be phased out of use by the McDonald's Corp., the Times said.

There was no comment from officials at the company's headquarters at Oak Brook Ill., on the development, the paper said.

But, Lee Masters of Golin Harris, McDonald's public relations firm, said Wednesday the company ''plans a major news announcement'' Thursday regarding the environment.

A decision to get rid of the plastic container would be an abrupt about-face for the corporation, which for years has doggedly defended its need to use plastics for its restaurants' takeouts, the paper said.

McDonald's, which operates 8,000 fast food restaurants around the country, has maintained that the foam keeps food warm, protects it from contamination and resists grease stains better than paperboard boxes.

But environmental advocates say producing the containers generates pollutants and note the box has a useful life of only a few minutes while taking years to degenerate in a landfill.

Plastics tend to last longer in the environment than products made from paper or wood.

McDonald's has come under increased pressure as towns and cities enact bans on containers, which are not biodegradable or cannot be recycled.

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#90305u0553 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

RACHAYA, LEBANON (NOV. 1) UPI - Israeli aircraft raided a Palestinian guerrilla base in the Bekaa Valley of east Lebanon Thursday, scoring direct hits and wounding six people, security sources said.

Four U.S.-made F-16 Israeli warplanes dropped four rockets on a base of the Syrian-backed Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine- General Command headed by Ahmad Jibril in the village of Majdal Balhis, 11 miles west of Syria's borders, the sources said.

The base, a two-story building, was directly hit and demolished, the sources said. Six people, including two guerrillas, were wounded, they said.

The air strike inflicted massive damage, witnesses said. They said 20 nearby houses were hit with shrapnel.

An army spokesman in Jerusalem said the Israeli planes struck at ''terrorist targets.''

''The targets that were attacked were used as bases for staging attacks against Israel,'' the spokesman said.

All the Israeli aircraft returned safely, he said.

The Israeli strike was the 16th into Lebanon this year.

On Oct. 24, Israeli aircraft raided a guerrilla missile base in the Palestinian refugee camp of Rashidyeh on the southern outskirts of the port city of Tyre, 46 miles south of Beirut.

Meanwhile, security sources in Tyre said Israeli troops expelled a Lebanese citizen along with his seven-member family from the border region after his son refused to join the Israeli-backed South Lebanon Army militia.

The sources said Israeli soldiers expelled Abed Al Hussein Ghanoui, 50, and his family Thursday after they demolished their house in the village of Houla inside Israel's self-proclaimed ''security zone'' along Lebanon's border with Israel.

The Shiite Amal movement said in a communique distributed in Tyre that the expulsion came after Ghanoui's 18-year-old son, Rabie, refused to join the SLA militia of Gen. Antoine Lahd.

The communique said more than 200 recruits have fled the pro-Israeli militia since the ouster of rebel Christian Gen. Michel Aoun Oct. 13 in Beirut. They joined the legitimate Lebanese Army of Gen. Emile Lahoud, the communique said.

According to officials sources, the 6,000-strong SLA militia includes about 3,000 Christians, all inhabitants of the security zone. The remaining 3,000 are Moslem Druzes and Shiites.

SLA militiamen and Israeli troops patrol the 9-square-mile security zone

established by Israel after it withdrew the bulk of its invasion troops from Lebanon in 1985.

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#90305u0561 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled a seasonally adjusted 454,000 for the week ending Oct. 20, an increase of 33,000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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#90305u0564 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEWARK, OH (NOV. 1) UPI - Sen. John Glenn says the effectiveness of an economic embargo against Iraq and the treatment of Americans being held in Kuwait likely will determine whether the United States goes to war in the Persian Gulf.

''That is the big $64 billion question,'' Glenn, D-Ohio, said Wednesday following a campaign rally for the state Democratic ticket. ''I think the United Nations and our support for their resolutions is going to be brought to a fruition of some kind.

Glenn said he believes chances are ''50-50'' that the United States will become involved in fighting in the Middle East.

''We are not going to get into another Vietnam,'' he said. ''I don't think the administration is going to have us bogged down there for years and years.''

Glenn said he hopes the U.S. troops won't have to attack the Iraqis, but added the embargo against Iraq has not taken hold as fast as hoped.

''That means you are saddled with waiting a little longer until they run out of some of their equipment, spare parts and things like that.''

Glenn, a decorated Marine Corps pilot in the Korean War, said forcing Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait is a factor but not the primary reason for being concerned about the Persian Gulf.

He said the industrialized world runs on oil, with up to 70 percent coming from that region.

''You cannot let any dictator, whether it be the Soviets, who we used to worry about making a run at the Persian Gulf, or now (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein, control that oil to that extent.''

The senator said he does not foresee the military draft being reinstated, but a major call-up of reserves may be needed to relieve U.S. troops in Saudia

Arabia.

''This is a different kind of environment than we have fought in,'' Glenn said. ''You don't go off to have liberty in some city. It's remote, though, and out in the sand dunes. You can't leave people over there for a year.''

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#90305u0571 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 1) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Montreal	1	3	0	-4
Hartford	2	0	0	-2

First period-1, Hartford, Cote 1 (Krygier, Ladouceur), 8:09. 2, Montreal, Courtnall 4 (Svoboda, Gilchrist), 14:25. 3, Hartford, Cunneyworth 5 (Cote, Holik), 19:36.

Penalties-Diduck, Mtl, double-minor (high-sticking, roughing), 6:11; Jennings, Har, 6:11; Evason, Har, 6:11; Har, bench minor (served by Ferraro), 9:11; Dineen, Har, 11:35; Ferraro, Har, 16:04; Samuelsson, Har, 16:56; Dineen, Har, 19:56.

Second period-4, Montreal, Savard 6 (Keane, Schneider), pp, 1:07. 5, Montreal, Courtnall 5 (Lefebvre, Desjardins), 8:43. 6, Montreal, Skrudland 6 (Svoboda), 15:48.

Penalties-Svoboda, Mtl, 11:57; Savard, Mtl, 18:52; Ferraro, Har, 18:52; Cunneyworth, Har, 19:36.

Third period-No scoring.

Penalties-Courtnall, Mtl, 4:50; Keane, Har, 5:48; Samuelsson, Har, 9:48.

Shots on goal-Montreal 9-9-8-26. Hartford 9- 11-8-28.

Power-play conversions-Montreal 7-1. Hartford 4-0.

Goaltenders-Montreal, Roy. Hartford, Sidorkiewicz, Whitmore (5:48, 3rd per). A- 10,573.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

Boston	1	1	1	0--3
Buffalo	0	2	1	0--3

First period-1, Boston, Janney 3 (Ruzicka, Walz), pp, 5:20.

Penalties-Pederson, Bos, 2:11; Mogilny, Bos, 4:27; B.Sweeney, Bos, 7:14; Burridge, Bos, 11:56.

Second period-2, Buffalo, Mogilny 4 (Hawerchuk), 3:17. 3, Buffalo, Makela 1 (Ruuttu, Snuggerud), 10:14. 4, Boston, Christian 4 (Brickley, Bourque), 11:11.

Penalties-Pederson, Bos, double minor, 15:59; Turgeon, Buf, 15:59.

Third period-5, Buffalo, Vaive 7 (Krupp), 8:08. 6, Boston, Carpenter 3 (Galley Bourque), pp, 10:15.

Penalties-Hartman, Buf, 3:44; Wesley, Bos, 4:09; Bodger, Buf, 8:35; Hogue, Buf 12:48; Carpenter, Bos, 14:50.

Overtime-No scoring.

Penalties-B.Sweeney, Bos, 3:13.

Shots on goal-Boston 12-14-9-1-36. Buffalo 5-7-5-1-18.

Power-play conversions-Boston 4-2. Buffalo 7-0.

Goaltenders-Boston, Lemelin. Buffalo, Malarchuk. A-14,668.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Los Angeles	2	1	1-4
NY Rangers	2	2	5-9

First period-1, NY Rangers, Miller 4 (Ogrodnick), 1:10. 2, Los Angeles, Granato 7 (Robinson, McSorley), 3:31. 3, NY Rangers, Mullen 7 (Leetch), pp, 11:23. 4, Los Angeles, Gretzky 9 (Sandstrom, Duchesne), 15:59.

Penalties-Leetch, NYR, 5:08; NYR bench (served by Ogrodnick), 7:27; Kasper, LA 10:08; Shaw, NYR, 16:20.

Second period-5, NY Rangers, Broten 2 (Turcotte, Patrick), :10. 6, NY Rangers, Sheppard 3 (Turcotte), 1:15. 7, Los Angeles, Jones 2 (Kasper), 1:51.

Penalties-Blake, LA, 2:18; Gartner, NYR, 3:34; Shaw, NYR, 5:10; Buskas, LA, double minor, 19:13; Granato, LA, minor-misconduct, 19:13; King, NYR, double minor, 19:13; Nicholls, NYR, minor-misconduct, 19:13.

Third period-8, NY Rangers, Leetch 5 (unassisted), 1:12. 9, NY Rangers, Ogrodnick 5 (Miller, Hardy), 2:16. 10, NY Rangers, Turcotte 7 (Gartner, Erixon), 3:07. 11, NY Rangers, Erixon 2 (unassisted), 10:18. 12, NY Rangers Ogrodnick 6 (Leetch, Sheppard), 14:56. 13, Los Angeles, Taylor 2 (Elik, Duchesne), 16:46.

Penalties-Mullen, NYR, 9:59; Buskas, LA, 14:20.

Shots on goal-Los Angeles 19-11-12-42. NY Rangers 10-15-12-37.

Power-play conversions-Los Angeles 6-0. NY Rangers 4-3.

Goaltenders-Los Angeles, Berthiaume, Hrudey (2:16 3rd period). NY Rangers-Richter. A-16,325.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

Winnipeg	0	0	0	1-1
Edmonton	0	0	0	0-0

First period-No scoring.

Penalties-Edm bench minor (served by Simpson), 4:51; Ellett, Wpg, 5:42; Wpg bench minor (served by Paslawski); 7:51; Huddy, Edm, 14:25.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Huddy, Edm, 6:33; MacDermid, Wpg, 9:41; Elynuik, Wpg, 12:14; Hawgood Edm, 14:34; Cole, Wpg, 17:35.

Third period-No scoring.

Penalties-Cronin, Wpg, major (fighting)-game misconduct, 0:54; Kumpel, Wpg, 0:54; S. Smith, Edm, double minor, 0:54.Donnelly, Wpg, 5:45; Simpson, Edm, 5:45.

Overtime-1, Winnipeg, Elynuik 3 (Steen), 0:23.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 7-6-10-1-24. Edmonton 10-13-11-0-34.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 4-0. Edmonton 6-0.

Goaltenders-Winnipeg, Essensa. Edmonton, Ranford. A-15,436.

Referee-Denis Morel.

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#90305u0581 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 1) UPI - Police in Santa Monica, California, say they will conduct tests on the candy collected last night by a seven-year-old girl who collapsed

and died of cardiac arrest. Police believe the girl was poisoned. .

There also was a Halloween-night tragedy in Stanton, California, where a five-year-old boy was killed by a car while crossing a street. The boy's seven-year-old brother was critically injured when he was hit by another car.

Officials in Detroit say they will hold a news conference tomorrow to announce the number of arson fires that occurred during this week's Devil's Night period. More fires and arrests were reported last night.

In the Philippines today, Millions of residents are holding festive parties on the graves of relatives. The parties are a traditional way of honoring the dead on All Saints Day, a national holiday in the Philippines.

The South African government today imposed emergency regulations and a nightly curfew on three black townships of Cape Town, where violence has raged for one week. Yesterday, special security measures were lifted in 11 townships around Johannesburg.

Official Radio Phnom Penh says forces of the Vietnamese-backed Cambodian government launched counter-attacks against the resistance and killed 152 guerrillas in three days this week. The resistance controls large areas in the countryside.

A federal mediator has been called in to help end the strike against the New York Daily News. For the past week, there has been a tense stand-off between Daily News management and striking editorial workers.

Police in Beirut say a stick of dynamite blew up near the French embassy in the mainly-Moslem sector of the city today, causing some damage. Witnesses said the explosion occured about 600 yards from the main gate of the heavily-guarded embassy.

Radio reports from Jerusalem say an Arab stabbed and wounded a 47- year-old Israeli today in a coastal town. Police say the attack apppears to be politically motivated. The attacker escaped and police began a large search in the area.

State-run Radio Rwanda says government troops have defeated rebels who invaded the east African nation four weeks ago. The report said the rebels were pushed back over the Ugandan border, clearing the way for peace negotiations.

President Bush begins his day in Massachusetts today and ends up in Orlando, Florida. Bush today begins a hectic schedule of campaigning that will end on election day in Texas, where he will vote.

The White House says Britain's Queen Elizabeth plans to visit the United States next spring. News secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Prince Philip will

accompany the queen to the nation's capital in May.

November begins today with stormy weather in the Northwest, snow in Idaho and Wyoming, but clear and mild conditions over much of the nation. A strong storm dumped seven inches of snow in the Rocky Mountains as it moved down from the northwest.

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#90305u0616 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - New construction spending plunged 2.8 percent in September in the worst showing since January 1982 and the last recession, the Commerce Department reported Thursday.

Private analysts predicted a fall of 0.5 percent after no change in August, and the latest figures indicate the already hard-hit construction industry is far from recovery.

The 2.8 percent decline - to $428.7 billion at an annual rate and adjusted for seasonal factors - is the worst drop since a 3 percent decline in January 1982 a government spokesman said.

In dollar terms, it is the largest decline since this past April and the lowest level since an annual rate of $423.1 billion in November 1988, the spokesman said.

Total private construction tumbled 2 percent in September after sliding 2.2 percent in August, while public construction plunged 5 percent for the month after a strong 6.5 percent gain in August, according to the department's Census Bureau.

Private residential construction was off by 2.3 percent in September - somewhat of an improvement over a 4.8 percent drop in August, the government statistics indicated.

For the 12-month period from September 1989, new construction spending was down nearly 1.1 percent.

''During the first nine months of this year, $299.4 billion of new construction was put in place compared to $298.3 billion for the same period in 1989,'' the Commerce Department said.

In the private sector, spending was off on single-family homes, apartments, industrial complexes and private hospitals. It was unchanged for offices, hotels and motels, and up for churches and private schools.

In the public sector, spending was down on public schools, highways, streets, conservation projects and sewer systems. It was unchanged for public housing,

and increased on public hospitals, military facilities, and water supply facilities.

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#90305u0620 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (NOV. 1) UPI - A federal judge says an AIDS-infected Marine officer who sued the Navy for $55 million may only collect a maximum of $750,000 for emotional damages in the AIDS-related deaths of his wife and son.

U.S. District Judge Rya Zobel said she based her ruling on California law that limits money awards for emotional damages to $250,000, the sum she awarded for each infected family member.

Zobel earlier this year found Navy doctors in California negligent in the mishandled blood transfusion that infected the wife and infant son of Marine Chief Warrant Officer Martin Gaffney, who is stationed at South Weymouth Naval Air Station.

Gaffney had sued the Navy for $55 million after his wife Mutsuko and son John died from AIDS.

Gaffney had charged the Navy doctors infected his wife with AIDS in a transfusion during her 1981 pregnancy. His wife and son later died, and Gaffney is now infected with the AIDS virus.

Gaffney said he believes he is dying and that the damage awards would help take care of his daughter Maureene, who has tested negative for the virus, after his death.

An award based on economic damages is yet to be determined.

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#90305u0622 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

COLOMBO, SRI LANKA (NOV. 1) UPI - The Sri Lankan military launched a major offensive Thursday in the northern port district of Mannar where thousands of Moslems fled following threats from a Tamil militant group, a military official said.

Hundreds of soldiers landed in Mannar district of northern Jaffna peninsula, 135 miles north of Colombo, and began a search and destroy operation against the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, a powerful separatist group.

Air Force and Navy planes provided cover as soldiers spread into the interior, said the official.

He said the offensive began a day after the expiration of a 10-day deadline

period given by the Tamil Tigers to Moslem inhabitants to leave the Northeastern province. They threatened to kill those who ignored their order.

More than 50,000 Moslems fled towards the southern area of the island nation. The government housed the refugees in several camps in the Sinhalese-dominated districts of Puttlam, Anuradhapura and Vavuniya.

Moslems make up 26 percent of the people in Mannar, the rest being Hindus and Christians.

The troops had met no resistance from the Tamil Tigers, said Defense Minister Ranj an Wijeratne.

He told reporters the military would crush the Tamil Tigers so that Moslems could go back to their homes.

Tamil Tigers accuse Moslems of siding with Colombo in militant campaign for an independent Tamil nation.

Northern Jaffna peninsula is the stronghold of the Tamil Tigers, and about 10,000 of its estimated 15,000 fighters are believed to be concentrated there.

The government has about 7,000 soldiers on Jaffna, most of whom are stationed in Palali base.

Fighting between security forces and the Tamil Tigers erupted in mid- June after rebels staged four simultaneous attacks on military bases in eastern Sri Lanka.

Since then, more than 2,600 soldiers, rebels and civilians have been killed.

Tamil rebels are waging a bloody campaign to establish an independent Tamil nation to be called ''Eelam'' in the northastern Province.

Tamil rebels believe that Sri Lanka's minority Tamils, who are mostly Hindu, need a separate nation because of years of alleged discrimination by the predominantly-Buddhist Sinhalese, who control the Colombo government.

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#90305u0623 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA (NOV. 1) UPI - South African black leader Nelson Mandela arrived Thursday in Kuala Lumpur for a four-day visit, the fourth stop of his Asian tour at the invitation of Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad.

He has already visited Australia, Indonesia and Japan and will leave for Brunei Sunday with his 13-member entourage.

Mahathir made an unscheduled appearance at the Kuala Lumpur International Airport to greet the 72-year-old deputy president of the African National Congress.

The prime minister who was leaving for the northern state of Kedah (his home state) for a feast, met Mandela briefly together with Foreign Minister Abu Hassan Omar.

Mandela will be granted an audience with the Malaysian monarch, King Azlan Shah, on Friday and later he will call on the prime minister for talks.

The highlight of his visit will be a rally at an indoor stadium Friday night where he will address an estimated 20,000 people.

On Saturday, Mandela will be awarded an honorary doctorate in letters by the University of Malaya.

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#90305u0627 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Oct. 31: Purchases of 354,906 shares and sales of 472,409 shares including 15,606 shares sold short.

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#90305u0638 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (NOV. 1) UPI - Burma's military government has announced new legal restrictions on the Buddhist monkhood and setting prison sentences for monks who violate them, official Rangoon Radio reported.

The radio, in a broadcast late Wednesday, said Gen. Saw Maung, leader of the military government, decreed additional regulations for control of the Sangha (Buddhist) organization.

The tough new law was seen as an effort to legalize a crackdown on the ''young monks sect'' that has staged political demonstrations against the government in recent months.

The monks aroused government anger with a ''religious boycott'' in which monks refused to perform religious ceremonies for the military or its dependents.

The government responded by raiding monasteries and arresting dozens of monks.

The radio said that under the new law the Sangha Organization acknowledged only nine Buddhist sects, making it illegal to form or join any other sects. Many of the dissident monks belong to sects outside of the main sects and

beyond the control of the government-appointed Buddhist leadership.

''No one shall organize, incite and speak or write with the aim of breaking up the Sangha Organizations at any levels,'' another provision said.

The radio said penalties of up to three years in prison will be imposed on monks who violate the law.

The military junta, led by Saw Maung, seized power in September 1988 and crushed pro-democracy demonstrations. The government promised to return to democracy but has so far refused to hand over power to the legislature elected in May.

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#90305u0639 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 1) UPI - A mass renaming of Moscow's streets and subway stops is expected to efface almost all Communist-era names - including Karl Marx's - from the capital, a newspaper said Thursday.

''Karl Marx Prospekt is giving way to Hunter's Row,'' the daily Moscovksky Komsomolets newspaper said. ''Thirty streets will be getting back their old names.''

Two of the renamed streets, however, will be quite modern. One will be named for the late American civil rights champion Martin Luther King Jr. and the other for the late French President Charles de Gaulle.

In a gratuitous dig, the newspaper said the renamings recommended by a committee of the Moscow City Council are a ''present for Nov. 7,'' the holiday that marks the day Communists seized power in Russia in 1917.

The municipal panel also decided to rename 10 metro stations, striking at the very symbol of the Soviet era. The metro was built in the 1930s and no expense was spared on marble, chandeliers and statues for each palatial station.

''We will for the time being not give the new names of the metro stations,'' the newspaper said playfully.

Although the full City Council must still approve the name changes, it is now controlled by radicals and will almost certainly give the go- ahead.

''Swept away will be the streets named for Dzerzhinsky, Frunze and Kalinin,'' Moscovsky Komsomolets said.

Felix Dzerzhinsky was the first head of the KGB, Mikhail Frunze was head of the Red Army briefly under Josef Stalin, and Mikhail Kalinin was the figurehead Soviet president when Stalin ruled the country as party leader.

Kalinin, who had peasant roots, was particularly hated for what Russians believe was his silence while Stalin sent millions of wealthy farmers into exile for resisting the collectivization of their land and equipment.

Another famous Communist whose name will be erased from Moscow's topography is Yuri Andropov, the late KGB chief and then Soviet leader who was the reputed mentor of President Mikhail Gorbachev, the newspaper said.

The names of Leonid Brezhnev's defense minister Dmitri Ustinov and his despised ideology chief Mikhail Suslov also will ''finally disappear'' from the Soviet map, it said.

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#90305u0671 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 1) UPI - Halloween night brought more fires and arrests to Detroit and the deaths of two children in California. Detroit officials will hold a news conference tomorrow to announce the final toll from this week's Devil's Night period. Police in Santa Monica, California, say a seven year-old- girl who dropped dead last night may have had a heart defect. They originally thought she had been poisoned while trick-or-treating. .

Two young brothers who were among a group of children trying to cross a street in Stanton, California, were hit by separate cars last night. A five-year-old was killed and his seven year-old-brother was critically injured. Police say the boys were hit after they stopped in the middle of the street and turned back.

Police in New York say a gang of teens, some wearing masks, went over a foot bridge onto Ward's Island and attacked eight homeless people in makeshift shanties, fatally stabbing one man and injuring seven. A police spokesman said between 10 and 12 youths walked to a wooded area, where they stabbed and beat the eight victims.

A Palestine Liberation Organization spokesman says Iraq would free all foreign hostages if it had guarantees that that the military option to the Gulf crisis would be completely ruled out. Abed Rabbo said that if Iraq was assured from the Soviet Union, France and China that war would not occur in the Gulf and that a dialogue for a political solution would begin, all foriegners held in Iraq would be allowed to leave.

China says it has suffered substantial economic losses by implementing economic sanctions against Iraq. China says those losses include two BILLION dollars in business and undisclosed debts, but it declined to say how much was lost in arms sales. The disclosure by the Chinese Foreign Ministry was apparently aimed at enhancing the country's image.

In Hong Kong today, police firing tear gas broke up a riot involving more than 100 armed Vietnamese boat people. It was the second violent outburst in Hong Kong's overcrowded refugee camps in 24 hours. Four security officers and six Vietnamese were injured during the violence at the Whitehead detention center.

The New York Times say the plastic box long used to carry fast foods from McDonald's Restaurants may be on its way out due to environmental considerations. The report says the plastic box seems to have become a symbol of the garbage crisis and will be phased out of use by the McDonald's Corporation.

Newspapers in Japan are having a field day over a reunion last week between actress Brooke Shields and Crown Prince Naruhito, a 30-year-old bachelor. The two first met five years ago at Princeton University, when Naruhito visited the campus where Shields was an undergraduate. The crown prince invited Shields to drop by the Imperial palace last Thursday, the final day of her three-day visit to Japan.

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#90305u0683 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (NOV. 1) UPI - About 150 people belonging to extremist Moslem groups were arrested Thursday in a crackdown against Moslem fundamentalists spurred by the assassination of a top government official, security sources said.

The sources said the extremists, some belonging to the fundumentalist Al-Jihad (Holy War) organization, were apprehended at Bani Suwaif, about 65 miles south of Cairo.

Authorities have said Al-Jihad was responsible for the slaying last month of Egypt's speaker of parliament, Rifaat El Mahgoub, and five other people in Cairo.

''Large quantities of weapons, explosives and leaflets urging people to resist police have been seized in the hideouts of the extremists,'' a security source said.

Earlier in the week, authorities killed two extremists and arrested a dozen others believed responsible for the Mahgoub assassination.

Egyptian officials said the extremists had admitted they killed Mahgoub, the No. 2 man in the government after President Hosni Mubarak.

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#90305u0698 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based

on a gold base price of $381.10 silver base of $4.19 and platinum price of $434.00:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$396.80	397.60
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	203.60	204.00
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	104.60	104.80
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.20	43.30
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	396.80	397.60
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	204.60	204.00
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.10	105.30
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.20	43.30
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	403.20	404.00
China Panda .50 troy oz.	207.70	208.20
China Panda .25 troy oz.	107.70	108.00
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.50	46.60
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.80	27.80
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	396.90	397.80
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	202.80	203.30
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	102.50	102.70
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.10	44.20
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	394.90	396.20
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	204.40	205.10
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	104.90	105.30
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.60	44.80
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	394.70	395.80
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	203.00	203.50
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.10	87.30
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.10	45.20
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.00	24.00
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.58	$5.68
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,180	$3,250
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,375
Platinum		
Australian Koala	450.00	459.00
Isle of Man Noble	447.00	456.00
Canada Maple Leaf	458.00	467.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90305u0709 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - The U.S. manufacturing economy contracted in October, the first decline since December 1982, the National Association of Purchasing Managers reported Thursday.

The National Purchasing Manager's Index slipped to 43.4 percent, its fourth consecutive monthly decline.

A reading below 50 generally indicates the manufacturing segment of the economy is experiencing a decline in growth. A reading above 50 usually indicates that the manufacturing portion of the economy is expanding.

Robert Bretz, the chairman of the association's business survey committee, said, ''The fourth quarter began like the third quarter ended, with a decline in the manufacturing economy.

''Virtually all indicators confirmed the growing weakness in manufacturing, which was enough to pull the overall economy in to slightly negative growth.

''With new orders the weakest in eight years, immediate relief does not seem likely.''

''If the PMI remains unchanged at the October level for the remainder of the year, past experience indicates this would be consistent with real GNP growth of about 1.0 percent for all of 1990,'' said Bretz, who is the director of materials management for Pitney Bowes Inc. of Stamford, Conn.

Employment fell for the 20th consecutive month, and at the highest rate since May 1985. The rate of 40.7 percent, down from September's 41.5 percent, indicates manufacturers are continuing to adjust employment levels to reflect the declining economy, the association said.

Prices rose for the fifth consecutive month, to 76.4 percent from 73.4 percent and from 48.5 percent in May this year.

''The surge in the price index is virtually 100 percent attributed to the Middle East crisis and the resulting increase in crude oil, petrochemical feed stocks and derivatives, such as plastic resins, chemical solvents, and many other chemicals,'' the association said.

''Many purchasers reported that suppliers are using the uncertainties in the Middle East situation to increase prices even when not warranted.''

The new orders index declined in October, also for the fourth consecutive month and is the lowest since Nov. 1982, the trough of the previous recession. ''This index will have to improve in order for the economy to turn around,''

the association said.

New export orders continued to increase although at a lesser rate than in September, the association said. Imports declined for the sixth consecutive month although at a lesser rate than last month.

Supplier deliveries were faster in October for the second consecutive month, reflecting the lower demand from a declining economy. Inventories declined for the sixth consecutive month although at a lesser rate than in September.

The production index was also down, falling to 43.0 percent from 45.1 percent last month and from 56.3 percent as recently as May 1990. ''The continued weakness in new orders suggests no near-term improvements in production,'' the association said.

The association's report is based on data compiled from monthly replies to questions asked of purchasing executives in more than 300 industrial companies. Membership of the business survey committee is diversified geographically based in value added by state, and by standard industrial classification caterogry based in each industry's contribution to gross national product.

Twenty industries in 50 states are represented on the committee.

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#90305u0714 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (NOV. 1) UPI - About 200 Vietnamese boat people in Thai refugee camps have expressed a desire return home with the financial support from the United Nations, a U.N. statement said Thursday.

''At present there are some 200 Vietnamese at Phanat Nikhom camp who expressed the wish to return to Vietnam,'' said a statement of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) issued in Bangkok.

It said four Vietnamese consular officials under UNHCR auspices have arrived in Thailand and will carry out interviews with those refugees.

The statement said the UNHCR will provide documents and arrange a flight to Ho Chi Minh City (formerly Saigon) for the refugees after completing the interviews.

''Back in Veitnam each returnee will be monitored by UNHCR and will be provided with $30 per month for one year to assist in their integration,'' it said.

So far 129 boat people in Thailand have returned home voluntarily under the UNHCR plan, it said.

''The UNHCR expects the voluntary repatriation program from Thailand for boat people who do not qualify for refugee status to be expanded gradually,'' the statement said.

More than 13,000 Vietnamese remain in Thai camps in hopes of resettlement abroad. Under an agreement among refugee receiving countries in the region, however, only those boat people who can show a genuine fear of political or religious persecution qualify as bona fide refugees with the right to resettlement.

The rest must remain in the camps until they volunteer for repatriation.

More than 5,000 Vietnamese boat people so far have been repatriated voluntarily from Hong Kong and countries of Southeast Asia, the UNHCR statement said.

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#90305u0717 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 1) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. yeaar earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Agra Indus (Year 7-31)	
$274,715,000	$247,089,000
$5,363,000 (.33)	d-$6,318,000

d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

American Intl Group (3rd Q)	
....	....
$336,771,000 (1.62)	$323,809,000 (1.57)

Bankeast Corp (3rd Q)	
....	....
d-$8,329,000	$134,000 (.01)

d-Deficit.

Baton Broadcasting (Year 8-31)	
$175,719,000	$175,680,000
a-$3,131,000 (.11)	$17,153,000 (.62)

a-Income from continuing operations.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

BP Canada Inc (3rd Q)	
$110,916,000	a-$95,028,000
$50,170,000 (.99)	$1,966,000 (.04)

Restated.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Capital Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
d-1498,000 d-$4,132,000
d-Deficit.

Commodore Intl (1st Q 9-30) $200,300,000 $165,300,000
$7,000,000 (.22) d-$6,500,000
d-Deficit

Fedl Home Loan Mtge (3rd Q 9-30)
....
$123,000,000 (2.05) a-$112,000,000 (1.86)
a-Per share amount was restated to reflect retirement of all 100,000 shares of non-voting common stock in February 1990.

General Re (3rd Q)
$779,700,000 $654,900,000
$153,800,000 (1.73) $145,800,000 (1.60)

Golden Nugget (3rd Q 9-30)
$213,552,000 $52,173,000
$5,227,000 (.27) d-$13,127,000
d-Deficit

Household Intl (3rd Q)
....
a-$54,200,000 (1.36) $58,900,000 (1.60)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Imasco Ltd (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,424,200,000 $1,258,800,000
$77,500,000 (.59) $103,500,000 (.81)
Canadian rate

Info Resources (3rd Q 9-30)
$41,981,000 $34,625,000
$38,000 $273,000 (.02)

Logicon Inc (2nd Q 9-30)
$63,438,000 $68,506,000
$1,948,000 (.47) $2,819,000 (.62)

MacLean Hunter (3rd Q 9-30)
$368,600,000 $336,500,000
d-$4,500,000 $19,200,000 (.12)

d-Deficit
Canadian rate

New England Critical Care (3rd Q)
$31,051,000 $22,559,000
$3,185,000 (.24) $2,252,000 (.18)

Newtel Enterprises (3rd Q)
$68,274,000 $62,919,000
a-$5,782,000 (.37) $7,495,000 (.54)
a-Income from continuing operations.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

NL Industries (3rd Q 9-30)
$221,000,000 $249,500,000
$16,400,000 (.25) $65,800,000 (.99)

Norcen Energy (3rd Q 9-30)
$242,700,000 $188,600,000
$33,000,000 (.48) $25,000,000 (.39)

Tele-Metropole (4th Q 8-26)
$30,277,000 $18,943,000
d-$6,625,000 d-$4,142,000
d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Telemundo Group (3rd Q)
$32,247,000 $27,004,000
d-$9,177,000 d-$13,302,000
d-Deficit.

Transamerica Corp (3rd q)
$1,641,602,000 $1,909,707,000
$80,757,000 (.01) $93,929,000 (1.19)
Includes gains on investment transactions of $2,722,000 in the latest quarter and $10,151, 000 a year ago.

Transatlantic Holding (3rd Q)
....
$14,447,000 (.63) $11,467,000 (.50)

UGI Corp (3rd Q)
$51,051,000 $46,564,000
d-$7,630,000 d-$1,929,000
d-Deficit.

Unocal Exploration (3rd Q)

$227,700,000	$171,900,000
$12,900,000 (.05)	$43,900,000 (.18)

Valhi Inc (3rd Q 9-30)

$418,800,000	$501,100,000
$5,800,000 (.05)	$46,100,000 (.41)

Wainwright Bank & Trust (3rd Q)

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d-$3,303,000	$306,000 (.08)

d-Deficit.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 1) UPI - It's called the common cold but a nationwide survey released Thursday shows there is little common ground when it comes to attitudes and treatments for the ailment.

Men favor whiskey as a home remedy and women like juice; spouses think they're nice to their mates when the other is down with the sniffles and sneezes but don't think they get an equal return in the pamper department when it's their turn, the N'ICE National Cold Survey found.

SmithKline Beecham of Pittsburgh, makers of N'ICE sore throat lozenges, commissioned the study of 150 male and 150 female adults. An equal number of people were surveyed in the Northeast, North Central, Southeast South Central and West. The survey found 73 percent of males and 76 percent of females reported having a cold during the last 12 months, with the average being 2.2 colds and little difference between the sexes.

Females said they were bothered more by nasal congestion but males said overall aches and pains added to their misery. Nine out of 10 respondents named a specific symptom rather than the fact that they are forced to function while being sick. Men and women are likely to go to work when sick and feel miserable about it but men are more likely than women to say they feel ''virtuous'' about it, the survey found.

Although both men and women believed they are nice to their sick spouse, they said they do not receive the same attention in return when they are ill.

Chicken soup may have been the remedy of the past for the common cold, but the SmithKline survey found tea the choice elixir of 21 percent of both groups. A good belt of whiskey - a hot toddy in more passive terms - was favored by 27 percent of the males and 13 percent of the females mentioned juice. Chicken soup, though, was the choice of many moms for treating a child's cold.

The survey found that men and women agreed that when they get colds, ''men

turn into grizzly bears and women become crabs.''

Those living in the Northeast believe they get more colds than people in any other region but so do those living in the North Central states. Those living in the Southeast, South Central states and West agreed they experience fewer colds. But, not to be outdone, folks in the Southeast and South Central states say their colds are more miserable than those in other regions.

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LONDON (NOV. 1) UPI - The tabloid Sun newspaper Thursday launched an extraordinary campaign against European unity with a front-page picture of a two-fingered insult to French-born EC Commission Chairman Jacques Delors headlined, ''Up Yours Delors''.

The newspaper printed one page of risque anti-French jokes and instructions to readers on how to deliver their personal ''Bawl at Gaul'' protest countrywide at noon Friday.

In one of its most aggressive outbursts since the Falklands War with Argentina the Sun appealed to its patriotic readers to ''tell the feelthy French to Frog Off.''

It said trenchantly that British tradition was threatened by the Delors plan to integrate the European market and create a common currency, known as the European Currency Unit.

''His bid to replace the pound with the faceless ECU is the last straw after centuries of Froggy Brit-baiting...They insult us, burn our lambs, flood our country with dodgy food and plot to abolish the dear, old pound,'' stated the front-page article, signed by the paper's diplomatic staff.

''Now its your turn to kick them in the gauls,'' it added. ''At the stroke of noon tomorrow (Friday) we invite all true blue Brits to face France and yell, 'Up yours Delors.'''

The paper gave a long list of supposed British grievances over French behaviour, which overlooked several centuries of Anglo-French conflict in the Middle Ages and the burning of Joan of Arc, but did notice that English troops put a stop to Napoleon Bonaparte's nonsense at Waterloo 175 years ago.

It also reminded readers that France ''gave in to the Nazis during the Second World War when we stood firm.''

''Remember folks, it won't be long before the garlic-breathed (sic) bastilles will be here in droves once the Channel Tunnel is open,'' the article trumpeted. ''So grab your megaphones, turn south and let 'em hear the British

lion roar.''

Backing Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's mostly lone battle against other EC members on European unity, the paper printed an open letter to Delors inquiring from him whether his face would be printed on the proposed ECU notes.

''Do you hate British people in general?'' the letter asked in French and English. ''You seem to want to strip us of our sovereignty and our individuality.''

Page three of Thursday's paper, which used to be reserved for pictures of ladies long on charm and short on clothing, was filled by a half-page, full color snap of a bearded Briton in tweed cap denouncing Delors from the top of the White Cliffs at Dover.

He held a pint pot of ale in his right hand and was draped in the Union Jack.

''English Chann-Yell,'' read the caption.

Beneath it was a set of French jokes.

Sample: ''Have you heard about the new lager for French girls. It reaches the parts anyone can reach.''

The Sun, owned by Rupert Murdoch's News International group - which also publishes The Times and The Sunday Times - has an audited British sale every day of 3,979,330 copies.

The French Embassy in London was closed for comment Thursday. It was All Saints Day.

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BURLINGTON, MA (NOV. 1) UPI - President Bush said Thursday he ''wants desperately to have a peaceful solution'' to the Persian Gulf crisis, but declared he is determined to turn back Saddam Hussein's aggression.

At the start of a final six-day campaign swing, Bush came out slugging against the Iraqi leader as concern grew over a possible outbreak of war.

Assuring the Iraqi people that the United States bears no hostility toward them, Bush said:

''Our problem is with Saddam Hussein alone. I want desperately to have a peaceful solution to this problem. We are giving the (U.N.) sanctions time to work, but let this be clear ... there will be no compromise on the stated goals of the United Nations resolutions. None at all.''

''This brutality will not stand,'' he asserted to loud and enthusiastic applause.

''No one is more determined to see this aggression turned back and I will not change on this fundamental point of morality,'' he said.

At the same time, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater greeted Saddam's invitation to the families of the American hostages to visit Iraq during the Christmas-New Year's season with less than yuletide enthusiasm.

''Why doesn't he let the hostages come home?'' asked Fitzwater. ''That would be the best way, or better yet, Thanksgiving.''

While speaking to a partisan audience of several hundred in support of the Massachusetts GOP ticket, Bush said he is grateful for the support of his policies on both sides of the political spectrum.

Tracing the history of the crisis since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2 including Saddam's promise to withdraw his forces, Bush denounced the brutality of the Iraqi leader, and declared, ''Today I am more determined than ever that this aggression will not stand.''

He said that there are 300 innocent American civilians held against their will in Iraq, ''many reportedly staked out as human targets, something Hitler didn't do. Others,'' he said, ''are hiding out.''

''The right of these American citizens are being denied by Iraq's dictator,'' he said. ''We have no argument with the Iraqi people.''

He also spoke of the systematic dismantling of Kuwait by the invading army and likened it to Hitler's dismantling of Poland during World War II.

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#90305u0753 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

BUCHAREST, ROMANIA (NOV. 1) UPI - Prices for raw materials rose sharply and the official value of the national currency was cut nearly in half Thursday as a watered-down package of economic reform measures took effect.

Unrest over the price increases were believed to have fueled an outbreak of violence late Wednesday, when police clashed with hundreds of youths in the capital. At least two police officers were injured, the official news agency Rompres reported.

The reforms include some of the most radical measures to be introduced by the National Salvation Front government since it was inaugurated in June. The Front, which won a landslide victory in the May 20 multiparty elections, has

controlled the government since the December overthrow of communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu, who was executed a few days later.

The measures liberalizing the prices of goods ranging from farm machinery to footwear were announced Oct. 18 by Prime Minister Petre Roman, who said drastic reforms were necessary to make the jump to a market economy.

But because of fears of widespread social unrest, the government delayed until January planned increases in prices for food, fuel and other basic goods.

Thursday's price hikes, ranging up to 200 percent, affected coal, iron, copper aluminum and a variety of other raw materials

Rumors that gasoline prices would also increase Thursday led to long lines earlier in the week at filling stations. The lines had mostly vanished Thursday, and there were no reports of further disturbances.

Besides price liberalization, the measures introduced Thursday included a major devaluation of the Romanian currency, the lei, which fell in value from 21 to a dollar to 35 to a dollar. The current black market rate is about 100 lei to a dollar.

''We have reached a level where we have no alternative and no compromise is possible,'' Roman said in an Oct. 18 speech to unveil the reforms. ''The state is determined to get rid of the relics of the past, and the old system.''

Rompres said the violence Wednesday started as a confrontation between police and a motorist who tried to flee in a van when ordered to stop for a traffic violation.

Police disabled the van the van by shooting out its tires, but shortly afterward a large number of youths gathered and began taunting police. A squad car was overturned and scuffles broke out in which at least two police officers were injured.

The unrest grew into a demonstration involving hundreds of youths who blocked traffic and chanted slogans against the government and denouncing the planned price increaes.

In another development, Romanian President Ion Iliescu, in an interview with Austrian television, expressed concern over rising tensions in the neighboring Soviet republic of Moldavia, but said Romania would not seek to unite with the province's ethnic Romanian majority.

The interview followed a day of unrest in Moldavia in which ethnic Romanian vigilantes attempted to block border crossing points in a breakaway Turkic-speaking region.

Iliescu told Austrian television his government was closely following the events in Moldavia, but had no intention of becoming directly involved despite undercurrents in both countries for unification of Romania and Moldavia.

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#90305u0760 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
BEIRUT, LEBANON (NOV. 1) UPI - A stick of dynamite blew up near the French embassy in the mainly-Moslem sector of Beirut Thursday but caused little damage, police said.

Witnesses said the explosion occurred outside an unfinished building about 600 yards from the main gate of the heavily-guarded embassy in the seaside area of Ain Mreisseh.

The blast came as the pro-Syrian government sought to restore law and order to a unified Beirut following the ouster of defiant Christian Gen. Michel Aoun.

Aoun has taken up refuge at the French embassy annex building on the outskirts east of Beirut since he was toppled Oct. 13 by a combined Syrian-Lebanese force.

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#90305u0762 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
JAKARTA, INDONESIA (NOV. 1) UPI - Foreign Minister Ali Alatas said Thursday the Cambodian peace process meeting will be held in Jakarta by the end of next week.

Alatas made the announcement upon arrival from Paris where he and his French counterpart, Roland Dumas, discussed a timetable for the resumption of the Paris International Conference on Cambodia.

He said they agreed to hold further meetings, preceeded by a preliminary meeting of senior officials from Indonesia and France as co- chairman and from such other countries as India, Canada, Malaysia, Laos, Australia and Japan.

The Paris International Conference on Cambodia held a lenghty but fruitless first session in the French capital in August 1989.

The representative of the U.N. secretary-general and the four other members of the U.N. Security Council - the United States, Soviet Union, China and Britain - were also invited to attend, Alatas said.

The Jakarta meeting is scheduled to open Nov. 9 and will last for several days he said.

He said the meeting is to discuss a draft agreement for a comprehensive

political solution to the Cambodian war.

At the same time, Alatas reiterated that Cambodian leaders should resolve their differences over the chairmanship of the Supreme National Council because only the SNC will represent Cambodia at an international conference planned later this year.

Vietnam invaded Cambodia in 1979 and drove out the Khmer Rouge regime headed by Pol Pot, blamed for several million deaths in Cambodia, and installed a puppet regime.

The four Cambodian factions - the Vietnamese-backed Phnom Penh government and the three members of the coalition resistance - accepted a U.N.-brokered peace plan this year and agreed in September to set up the SNC to govern Cambodia during an interim period leading up to U.N.- supervised elections, but have been unable to agree on a chairman.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.00-86.20 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 131.70 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 41.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $210.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $438.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $440.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $108.00-$113.00 per gross ton

(consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 295.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-par-year contract runs out in 1993-94, it would probably still not be a winning team.

That is why the trade was made. Why settle for the present state of mediocrity when you can build for the future?

''We feel that we can afford to make the trade and still maintain the same kind of year we were going to have, plus have the luxury of another No. 1 pick '' Williams said shortly after the trade Tuesday night.

It's also important to know this: Next year's draft will be the first since 1988 with at least two legitimate center prospects, maybe more.

Those players, in turn, will be joined by several potential underclass prospects who will expand the talent base in the first round.

The top seniors include Georgetown center Dikembe Mutombo, New Mexico center Luc Longley, Missouri center Doug Smith, Nebraska center Rick King, Michigan State guard Steve Smith, and Nevada-Las Vegas forward Larry Johnson.

Some players who have indicated they might leave school early include Georgia Tech guard Kenny Anderson, Syracuse forward Billy Owens and LSU center Shaquille O'Neal.

''Potentially, the centers (in the 1991 draft) are better than Felton Spencer '' said NBA director of scouting Marty Blake. Spencer was the first center selected in this year's draft, No. 6 overall. ''I think the lottery has the potential to be exceptional.''

Orlando will select among the first 11 players with its own pick. But Tuesday's trade enables the Magic to perhaps come away with another player who under normal circumstances, would have been taken earlier in the round.

''It's too early to project exact values to those positions in the first round. It's just that we know there is value,'' said John Gabriel, Orlando's director of scouting.

Gabriel is a talent buff. He knows that San Antonio had the 24th pick last year, and that means only three teams drafted later than the Spurs. Using simple arithmetic, Gabriel figures that five, possibly six teams could post better records than San Antonio this year. That means Orlando would select no higher than 21st or 22nd.

''But research indicates that a large percentage of players drafted between 24 and 30 become starters or backups,'' said Gabriel. ''Younger teams in a position like ours have to explore the possibility of finding players.''

Veteran players like Green, who aren't good enough to start for the better teams in the league, can only stabilize an expansion team, not make it better.

The Minnesota Timberwolves, who joined the league the same year as the Magic, traded forward Rick Mahorn to Philadelphia for a first-round pick in this year's draft. The Timberwolves selected Gerald Glass, who is projected as a starter. Mahorn is 32 and has had chronic back troubles.

In June, Orlando traded 32-year-old Reggie Theus to New Jersey for a pair of second-round draft picks. Green and Theus were the Magic's first two selections in the expansion draft.

''You risk the possibility of stagnation and the future growth of the team by not exposing yourself to young talent,'' said Gabriel.

''You don't take veteran guys to retire their numbers in the rafters. We don't have the ability to keep players like Sid, Jerry Reynolds and Sam Vincent until they are 36 and retire their numbers.''

Not yet, anyway.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - Exporters sold 200,000 metric tons of U.S. barley to Saudi Arabia and 25,000 tons of wheat to the Philippines with the aid of export subsidies, the Agriculture Department reported Thursday.

The barley sale was worth about $18 million, based on farm-gate prices for barley during October. The wheat sale was worth $2.4 million based on Chicago prices.

Both sales, plus a sale of 5,000 tons of wheat flour to west and central African nations, were made through the Export Enhancement Program. Under it,

exporters who reduce their prices in order to make a sale to a targeted country qualify for bonus amounts of commodities from government stockpiles.

Saudi Arabia is the No. 1 customer for U.S. barley this marketing year. With the latest sale, it has purchased 1.07 million tons of the 1.43 million tons of barley sold for export.

There are 45.9 bushels of barley in a metric ton, so the new sale calls for delivery of the equivalent of 9.2 million bushels during November and December.

In its transaction, the Philippines purchased 20,000 tons of northern-dark northern spring wheat and 5,000 tons of western white wheat. There are 36.7 bushels of wheat in a metric ton.

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(NOV. 1) UPI - Police in Santa Monica, California, now say a seven-year-old girl who collapsed and died of cardiac arrest last night may have had a congenital heart defect. Police initially thought the girl had been poisoned while trick-or-treating. However, a hospital spokesman says ''The first set of toxicological tests done at the hospital did NOT turn up anything that had poisoned her.'' He said the girl's parents told police that the girl had been tested for a heart murmur.

Officials in Detroit say this year's Devil's Night was quieter than in the past, and they credit the drop in arson to community participation that included 35-thousand volunteers patrolling city streets. Fires were set on the city's east side again last night, and officials said the annual Halloween tradition remained a problem. Figures on the numbers of fires Monday, Tuesday and last night will be announced tomorrow during a news conference.

Police in New York say eight men sleeping in shacks on an island were attacked last night by a gang of youths. One of the homeless people was stabbed and killed and the other seven were injured and taken to hospitals. The incident occurred when between 10 and 12 teens headed into a wooded area on Ward's Island, a small piece of land in the East River near Manhattan.

The official Iraqi news agency says Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will allow the families of hostages to visit them for Christmas. The agency says the Foreign Ministry had instructed Iraqi embassies throughout the world to issue visas to the families of foreign nationals being held as human shields in Iraq and Kuwait. President Bush said yesterday that he has ''had it'' with Iraq's treatment of Americans held hostage by Saddam.

There are indications today that the dispatch of Japanese troops to the Persian Gulf has been stalled and may never materialize. A poll of Japanese parliament members released today shows that a solid majority oppose the

measure. This follows several general opinion polls which show that as much as 70 percent of the Japanese public oppose the plan.

Security sources say Israeli aircraft raided a Palestinian guerrilla base in the Bekaa valley of east Lebanon today, scoring direct hits and wounding six people. The sources said four U-S-made F-16 Israeli warplanes dropped four rockets on the base, causing massive damage to the two-story building. Witnesses said 20 nearby houses were hit with shrapnel.

President Bush is in Massachusetts this morning to kick off a final push to campaign for Republican candidates in next week's election. After appearances in Burlington and Mashpee, Massachusetts, Bush heads to Orlando, Florida, to campaign for Governor Bob Martinez. The president plans to be on the campaign trial right up until election day on Tuesday, when he winds up in Texas... his adopted home state.

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NAIROBI, KENYA (NOV. 1) UPI - President Daniel arap Moi criticized British Broadcasting Corp. radio, accusing it of lying about his country, and said there was no need for BBC correspondents to remain in Kenya, local newspapers reported Thursday.

''The BBC made wild allegations and told lies about Kenya,'' the newpapers quoted an Office of the President statement as saying. The statemernt said the BBC was no longer usseful to Kenyans or the British people.

It said there was ''no need of having BBC correspondents in Kenya since they had lost objectivity and misinformed Kenyans and British listeners.''

It was Moi's strongest attack to date against the British radio network and came after the BBC ran a series of politically sensitive stories about Kenya.

''We try to cover events in Kenya as accurately and even-handedly as we do the rest of the world,'' the BBC responded.

''Nevertheless if there are specific complaints against any particular piece of journalism then we are always ready to listen to them.''

In Parliament, Foreign Minister Wilson Ndolo Ayah accused the BBC of having become ''the voice of dissidents and revolutionaries ... an agent of disorientation, disorganization and the advocate of violence.''

He also claimed the British government-supported BBC was patronized by Marxists who, together with Norway, had been encouraging violent revolution in Kenya.

Kenya broke diplomatic relations with Norway ten days ago, giving all Norwegian diplomatic and aid personnel one week to leave the country. It accused the Scandanavian nation of being involved with a leading political dissident's bid to overthrow Moi's government.

Koigi wa Wamwere, long loudly critical of the government, had been in exile in Norway since 1986. He was arrested in Kenya Oct. 8, allegedly caught with a cache of weapons and ammunition.

The uproar over the BBC comes at a time of heightened political tension in the country. A number of people perceived as anti-government have been detained, questioned or harassed since two leading advocates of multi-party democracy for Kenya were jailed under the Public Security Act in July.

Moi declared Kenya a one-party state in 1982, three years after he succeeded the nation's first President, Jomo Kenyatta.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 1) UPI - A car-bomb exploded Thursday in an eastern town of troubled Natal Province, critically injuring a senior Zulu politician - the third victim of increasingly brazen attacks involving black factional fighting in a week, police said.

The afternoon blast came soon after President Frederik de Klerk met with Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi to discuss the internecine violence that has shaken Natal and other areas and its possible threat to talks on a post-apartheid constitution.

Both leaders said after the meeting the need for talks was ''urgent.'' The violence between supporters of Buthelezi's Inkatha and the African National Congress could not be allowed to continue, they said.

Thursday's blast ripped apart the vehicle of 49-year-old Lancelot Ntombela, a regional organizer of the exclusively Zulu Inkatha Freedom Party, in a busy street in the town of Greytown, a police spokesman said.

''He is in critical condition. We suspect this is the usual black-on- black fighting,'' he said, referring to the battles between Inkatha and the ANC that have killed up to 4,000 people in Natal since 1987.

Another senior Inkatha member was shot and killed Tuesday in the town of Pietermaritzburg and a priest trying to mediate the conflict was shot to death outside his Clermont church Saturday.

The government, trying to quell an outbreak of unrelated inter- resident and anti-government conflict near Cape Town, clamped emergency regulations and a

nightly curfew Thursday on three strife-torn black townships.

The move came a day after it lifted special security measures in 11 other townships around Johannesburg because of a sharp drop in the black factional fighting that killed upwards of 800 blacks between August and September. The announcement left 16 remaining areas still under the emergency regulations.

Minister of Law and Order Adriaan Vlok said late Wednesday the townships of Lingulethu, Khayelitsha and Old Crossroads would be designated ''unrest areas '' giving police wide powers of search, confiscation and arrest.

Police would also enforce a 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. curfew.

''The growing turmoil in these areas has made these steps inevitable, '' a spokesman for Vlok said.

The sprawling townships of more than 500,000 people have been rocked by strife for more than a week. In the first two days - the most serious - clashes involving police and rival residents' groups in Khayelitsha killed eight people and injured at least 36.

Police estimate scores more have been hurt. Witnesses said followers of the ANC, which has demanded the dismantling of apartheid-created local black town councils, sparked the fighting with attacks on the homes of councillors and council supporters.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 1) UPI - The cost of employing workers in the Northeast region rose 1.1 percent over the past three months, the U.S. Department of Labor said Thursday, slightly above the national average.

While the increase pushed the cost of wages, salary and benefits in the Northeast to the highest level of any region, over the past year the increase has averaged just 4.6 percent, below the national average of 4.9 percent and on par with increases in the West, where the cost of employment is the least.

It also continued a downward trend since the annualized peak of 7.2 percent in September 1989.

The Employment Cost Index measures changes in the cost of employment for non-farm private employment. As structured it is free from the influence of employment shifts among occupations and industries and measures only changes in straight-time average hourly earnings. It excludes differentials and nonproduction bonuses, but includes production bonuses, incentive pay, commissions and cost-of-living adjustments.

The Northeast includes nine states from Maine to New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Measured against a base of 100 established in 1989, the cost of employment in the Northeast has risen to 106.5 percent, compared to a national average of 106.2. The South and Midwest are at 106.3 percent while the West region is at 105.6 percent of the base.

Over the third quarter, ending in September, the cost of employment rose 1 percent in the United States on average, 0.6 percent in the South, 1.1 percent in the West and 1.4 percent in the Midwest, the highest increase of all regions.

The Midwest also has the highest increase in the cost of employment over the past 12 months, at 5.2 percent. The South was second highest at 5 percent. It was the first time in seven years that the Northeast posted the lowest annual change.

Excluding employer costs of employee benefits such as Social Security, health insurance and the like, the cost of employment rose 1 percent in the Northeast above the national average of 0.9 percent and below the 1.4 percent increase of the Midwest.

The West's costs increased 0.8 percent and that of the South 0.5 percent. On an annual basis the cost of employment rose 4.2 percent nationally, 4.4 percent in the South, 4.3 percent in the Midwest and 4 percent in the West and Northeast.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 1) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Thursday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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(NOV. 1) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C

Aberdeen pc	1pm	48	08
Amsterdam c	1pm	53	12
Ankara pc	3pm	69	20
Athens c	2pm	77	25
Auckland cy	12m	59	15
Beijing cy	8pm	51	10
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	51	11
Bonn cy	1pm	53	11
Brussels pc	1pm	52	11
Cairo c	2pm	93	34
Casablanca cy	12n	68	20
Copenhagen cy	1pm	49	09
Dakar c	12n	88	31
Dublin c	1pm	49	09
Geneva r	1pm	51	11
Helsinki r	2pm	40	04
Hong Kong c	8pm	76	24
Jerusalem c	2pm	77	25
Karachi c	5pm	91	33
Lisbon c	1pm	62	17
London c	1pm	54	12
Madrid c	1pm	57	13
Malta c	1pm	80	26
Manila cy	8pm	85	29
Moscow cy	3pm	40	04
Nairobi pc	3pm	78	25
Nassau pc	7am	75	24
New Delhi c	6pm	88	31
Nice c	1pm	69	20
Oslo cy	1pm	39	03
Paris cy	1pm	51	10
Pretoria pc	2pm	85	29
Riyadh	3pm	90	32
Rome cy	1pm	71	22
Seoul c	9pm	57	14
Sofia pc	2pm	74	23
Stockholm r	1pm	36	02
Sydney c	10pm	70	21
Taipei pc	8pm	76	24
Tokyo c	9pm	66	19
Tunis pc	1pm	82	27
Vienna r	1pm	50	10
Warsaw cy	1pm	53	11

Latin America

Buenos Aires pc	9am	65	18
Caracas pc	8am	66	19

Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	61	16
Mexico City pc	6am	47	08
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	87	30
Santiago c	8am	55	13

Canada

Calgary cy	47	08
Edmonton cy	43	06
Montreal pc	53	11
Ottawa c	53	11
Regina cy	58	14
Toronto pc	52	11
Vancouver cy	49	09
Winnipeg pc	63	17

c-clear cy-cloudy d-dust fy-foggy hz-haze pc-partly cloudy r-rain s-snow w-windy

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PANAMA CITY, PANAMA (NOV. 1) UPI - The investigation of a plot to destabilize the Panamanian government is unraveling amid rumors and retractions that have damaged the image of the police and justice departments, observers say.

Former police chief Eduardo Herrera is accused of masterminding the plot, but two government witnesses have retracted their statements against Herrera.

One of the witnesses escaped from jail and held a clandestine press conference Tuesday. He accused Attorney General Rogelio Cruz of pressuring him to testify against Herrera.

Adding to the cloak-and-dagger atmosphere are reports that everyone from past government officials to Vice President Dan Quayle are connected to the plot.

''The government will look very weak if nothing is proven,'' said Alberto Conte, a member of the Civic Crusade, which led the protests against former dictator Gen. Manuel Noriega. ''And if the charges are proven, the government will have a problem because there will be tremendous distrust (of the police).''

When the plan was uncovered two weeks ago, Cruz said Herrera was the leader of a scheme to plant bombs and take over the police barracks in Chiriqui province on the Costa Rican border.

A former colonel in Noriega's army, Herrera was named police chief in January after the U.S. invasion that ousted Noriega. But Herrera was allegedly opposed

to plans to transform the army into a watered-down police force and was fired in August for unexplained reasons.

The case against Herrera is largely based on statements by police Capt. Carlos Ivan Moreno and Otilio Miranda, a former legislator. Moreno has refused to testify under oath, however, and charged in a letter from jail that he was being pressured by the government to testify against Herrera.

On Tuesday, Miranda escaped from jail - where he was being held on corruption charges - and retracted his statements against Herrera at a secret 3 a.m. press conference.

Miranda said Cruz offered to free him from jail and to unfreeze his bank account in exchange for testimony against Herrera. Cruz has denied Miranda's statements.

Later that day, Panamanian President Guillermo Endara called an urgent meeting at the presidential palace and Vice President Ricardo Arias Calderon later expressed confidence in Cruz and the investigation.

But in a country trying to rebuild the justice and police departments after years of corruption and coups, the controversy is proof to some that little has changed under Endara.

Herrera and his backers say the government fabricated the plot to distract public attention from economic troubles and criticism of Endara's leadership.

Several anti-government marches have been held in recent weeks while Endara has come under fire for his ties to a bank accused by U.S. drug agents of money laundering.

Herrera, who was in Peru when the plot was revealed but was arrested and jailed when he returned to Panama last week, said it would be impossible to overthrow the government while 10,000 U.S. troops are stationed in Panama.

''Some people have begun to think the case is a political ploy,'' said Camilo Brenes, a Christian Democrat legislator. ''It will hurt if we lose what little confidence is left in the efficiency of our judicial system.''

But Ebrahim Asvat, the new police chief, said the government has a strong case against Herrera. He said union leaders and members of Endara's Arnulfista political party are also suspected of involvement.

Cruz told the National Assembly on Monday that Herrera claimed to have the support of Quayle and the Pentagon when he was discussing the plot with other police officers.

A U.S. official said police officers in Chiriqui were sewing some kind of

destabilization plan to convince Endara to grant more power to the police force. He said the plot represented no threat to Endara and said he suspects U.S. troops would intervene if a serious coup attempt was mounted.

The controversy also presents more problems for the police force, which has been trying to win public support, observers said.

When the force was built 10 months ago from the remnants of Noriega's army, critics predicted it would become a threat to the government. The invasion and the installation of Endara brought an end to 21 years of military rule in Panama.

''The police are accustomed to running the show,'' said Arturo Beltran, who runs a Panama City pawnshop. ''They want to return to power again.''

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(NOV. 1) UPI - The Commerce Department says construction spending plunged two-point- eight percent in September. A government spokesman says that's the worst showing since January 1982... when the nation was in its most recent recession. Private analysts say they had been expecting a dip of just one-half of one percent.

The official Iraqi news agency says President Saddam Hussein will allow the families of hostages to visit them for Christmas. The report says the Iraqi Foreign Ministry has instructed embassies around the world to issue visas to the families of foreign nationals being held as human shields in Iraq and Kuwait. Just yesterday, President Bush said he has ''had it'' with the treatment of Americans held in Iraq and Kuwait.

Lebanese security sources say Israeli warplanes raided a Palestinian guerrilla base in the Bekaa Valley in eastern Lebanon today, scoring direct hits with rockets and wounding at least six people. The sources reported that four U-S-built F-16 Israeli jets fired four rockets on the two-story building that served as a guerrilla base, demolishing it and sending shrapnel into nearby houses.

Israel reported that all four planes returned safely today after the raid. An Israeli military spokesman says the base belonged to the Syrian-backed Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command. The action occurred just 11 miles west of Syria's border.

Children throughout the country are re-counting their loot this morning, making certain that nothing disappeared overnight. And Detroit is still counting the damages from the ''Devil's Night'' madness of arson fires. Mayor Coleman Young says it will be tomorrow before the full extent of the damage is completely known. And he blames the media, in part, for what's gone on,

calling the publicity ''unprecedented.''

New York City Transit police say they have plenty of witnesses but few suspects following the stabbing death of a 14-year-old Brooklyn youth inside a subway train yesterday. Jerome Drayton was listed as brain-dead after being rushed to Brooklyn Hospital. He was one of two stabbing deaths on New York City subways yesterday, the 20th and 21st such deaths this year. An unidentified man became the 22nd fatality later yesterday in a Lower Manhattan incident.

Researchers in Philadelphia say they have discovered a genetic defect that appears to pre-dispose individuals to deadly ruptures of the aortic artery. Aneurysms are a weakening and ballooning of the side of an artery wall that can eventually burst. Doctors long suspected that aneurysms ran in families, but the new research is the first direct evidence of a genetic link. More than 15-thousand Americans die each year from aortic aneurysms.

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BERLIN (NOV. 1) UPI - Food produced in formerly communist eastern Germany contains high levels of hazardous pesticides, a government official said Thursday.

Anton Pfeifer, director of the Berlin branch of the Federal Health Ministry, said high levels of the pesticides DDT, Lindan and Hexaschlorbenzol have been found in eggs produced in eastern Germany.

The use of DDT was banned in West Germany and the United States in the early 1970s.

Contamination of fish and fish products is ''enormously high,'' Pfeifer told a news conference. Almost 90 percent of the fish examined by the ministry were found to have high levels of toxic substances, he said.

Relatively high levels of mercury and cadmium have been found in east German soil, Pfeifer said. Spinach, grains, potatoes and wild game have shown particularly high levels of these substances, the minister said.

Federal German pollution laws and food standards are currently being introduced to the five new states created out of the former East Germany, which joined the Federal Republic of Germany upon the Oct. 3 unification.

The subject of Pollution was taboo under the Stalinist government which ruled East Germany for 40 years until it was toppled one year ago.

Heavy industry and enormous factory farms operated to meet five-year production plans with scant regard for the country's few pollution control

laws.

Statistics on environmental contamination were regarded as state secrets but even the reliability of the newly available figures is open to question.

''We do not know if outside political pressures influenced the selection of data,'' said Pfeifer.

Pfeifer announced a $5 million to purchase food analysis technology and a retraining program for food technicians as part of a government drive to raise eastern German food standards to those of the west.

''We must be open about the level of the environmental problems in eastern Germany,'' he said. A return of the past policy of ''silence'' on the issue would be ''fatal,'' Pfeifer added.

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FRESNO, CA (NOV. 1) UPI - A magician who compared himself to the legendary Harry Houdini and had himself buried inside a plastic-and- glass coffin for a Halloween night escape trick was killed when the coffin collapsed under tons of dirt and wet cement.

Joseph Burrus, 32, a recovering drug addict, was performing the stunt at a local amusement park, Blackbeard's Family Fun Center, when the coffin unexpectedly collapsed.

As trick-and-treaters watched in shock, rescuers frantically dug Burrus out, but were unable to reach him in time.

''I consider myself a master of illusion and escape artist,'' Burrus said before he attempted the stunt. ''I believe I'm the next Houdini and greater.''

Harry Houdini, considered the master of escape artists, died on Halloween night 1926.

Burrus had performed the escape-from-the-buried-casket stunt successfully on Halloween a year ago in Oregon using only dirt to cover the coffin.

Wednesday night, wearing a white tuxedo, Burrus was handcuffed, wrapped in chains, locked inside the see-through coffin and then lowered into a 7-foot-deep hole.

Crews started pouring wet cement into the hole from a cement truck until Burrus knocked on the casket lid asking them to stop.

''He said the chain was too tight (around his neck) and was choking him,''

said Sean Henderson, a resident of the Third Floor drug recovery clinic. Burrus was staging the stunt as a benefit for the clinic.

''We gave him time to slip the chain from his neck. After he got that done he wanted the locks back on and asked us to start burying him again,'' Henderson said.

The crews put another three feet of dirt into the hole and then began covering that with three feet of cement.

''As soon as we finished and the truck pulled away the whole thing dropped,'' Henderson said. ''The ... cement busted the coffin. It buried him alive.''

Witnesses said they could hear the plastic and glass of the coffin shatter from the estimated nine tons of cement and dirt.

The crews worked frantically to exhume the casket, but efforts to revive Burrus were unsuccessful.

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WARSAW, POLAND (NOV. 1) UPI - Polish Christians marked All-Saints Day Thursday by praying over newly scrubbed graves decorated with flowers and candles, and, for the first time since 45 years of totalitarian rule ended, officially honoring dead anti-communist heroes.

Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki lighted a candle at the foot of the Katyn Monument to the 15,000 Polish officers killed by Soviets in 1940. The cross had been the site of anti-government protests until democracy came in 1989.

Mazowiecki also dedicated a monument to ''the innocent political prisoners who were executed in Warsaw between 1945 and 1946 by the communist regime.''

''On behalf of the independent and democratic Polish government, I pay homage to those who died so that others could live in dignity,'' Mazowiecki said. ''They were executed in the name of intimidation and subduing the nation. There are among them officers and soldiers of the Polish armed forces.''

The monument, which is under construction, is in the Communal Cemetery, near the grave of Gen. August Emil Fieldorf, a Polish resistance hero during the Nazi occupation who was executed by the communists who took charge after World War II.

In southern Poland, thousands of candles were lighted at the Nazi concentration camp Auschwitz-Birkenau, where 1.5 million people were killed, most of them Jews.

Carrying plastic bags full of brushes, trowels and candles, and bouquets of hearty flowers, thousands of people made their way to cemeteries across the country to give tombs a once-a-year tidying.

The youngest arrived in their mother's arms or riding on their father's shoulders, roles that were reversed for parents five decades older who needed the help of a steady, younger arm.

Powazkowski Cemetery, which dates from 1790, lies beneath a filigree of branches with the last autumn-painted leaves struggling against the wind to keep their purchases. Sandy paths angle between neat rows of tombs, decorated with 10-foot-high crosses, Madonnas, or angels.

Three older women, despite their years, stockings and heels, tidied the family tomb. One shuttled crumbled leaves to a mountainous rubbish heap at the end of a long line of graves, another balanced precariously to scrub the headstone clean of green mold. The third laid down a spray of flowers and touched a match to candles. Their work finished, they offered a hasty prayer and retreated from the blustery day.

Behind them the candles burned, the waxy smell mixing with the crispness of autumn.

A widow in black sat quietly before a black granite slab etched with the name of her husband and his death - 1990.

The black and white of the graveyard was brightened by flowers that will withstand the cold - zinnias and chrysanthemums and red carnations on fir wreaths.

A family of four stood with heads bowed before a plot of newly planted purple pansies.

Neglected graves stood out in contrast. The resting place of Stefan Jakubowski who died in 1912, was forgotten in a tangle of grass and vines.

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OMAHA (NOV. 1) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle none; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs slaughter 1,000; butchers 1.00 higher, No 1-3 220-270 lb 53.50-54.00; sows 25 percent, under 500 lb steady, over 500 lb 1.00-2.00 higher, No 1-3 350-500 lb 46.50, some near 500 lb 47.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 50.00-50.25.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - An overwhelming majority of Catholics reject efforts by the nation's Roman Cahtolic bishops to punish or sanction church members - especially politicians - who oppose the hierarchy's tough anti-abortion stance, according to a poll released Thursday.

The poll, released by Catholics for a Free Choice, an independent group that supports the 1973 Supreme Court decision legalizing most abortions, showed 73 percent of the Catholics polled are opposed to bishops taking punitive action against legislators who support legal abortion.

In the last year, a number of bishops across the country have taken actions against Catholic legislators, candidates and health workers who oppose the bishops' campaign to overturn the Supreme Court decision.

Those actions include barring Catholics from the eucharist, banning them from speaking on church property and, in the case of a Planned Parenthood official in Texas, excommunication from the church.

The poll surveyed 2,002 randomly selected adults, including 523 Catholics, between Oct. 12 and Oct. 21.

''Poll data of the past 20 years has clearly shown that Catholics reject the bishops' position that abortion should be illegal in all circumstances,'' said Frances Kissling, president of Catholics for a Free Choice.

''What we have not known until now is how strongly Catholics feel about the strategy employed by the bishops in seeking to make abortion illegal,'' she said. ''We have found that Catholics are consistent in their commitment to freedom of conscience.''

A year ago, the National Conference of Catholic Bishops adopted a new resolution on abortion, naming it the No. 1 human rights issue and calling on all Catholics - especially officeholders - to work to make abortion illegal.

Cardinal John O'connor, chairman of the bishops' committee for pro- life activities, went so far as to say that Catholic politicians who vocally support legal abortion ''must be warned that they are at risk of excommunication.''

The bishops also hired a prominent advertising firm, Hill and Knowlton, and a polling company, The Wirthlin Group, to prepare a campaign reflecting the bishops' opposition to abortion.

But the poll suggests the high visibility punitive tactics embraced by some bishops are backfiring and both Catholics and non-Catholics have misgivings about the bishops' involvement in the political issues.

Three-quarters of all respondents and seven of 10 Catholcis said they do not think that the bishops should use the political arena to advance their moral opinions, and nearly eight out of 10 of all respondents said it is inappropriate for the bishops to tell Catholics how to vote.

When asked whether Catholics have a religious obligation to vote for candidates who oppose abortion, 31 percent of Catholics said yes, 61 percent said no, and just 19 percent said it is appropriate for the bishops to tell church members not to vote for candidates who support abortion rights.

''The most striking finding of the poll is the impact that the bishops' involvement in abortion politics has on how people view Catholic officeholders and candidates,'' the report said. Nearly half - 46 percent - of all those surveyed said the bishops' involvement makes people distrustful of Catholic officeholders.

On punishment, 76 percent said they would oppose taking action against a woman who has an abortion; 73 percent opposed taking action against legislators, and 71 percent opposed excommunicating a doctor who performs an abortion.

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(NOV. 1) UPI - Iraq offered Thursday to let the families of hostages visit during the holidays, but the Bush administration said the captives should be allowed to come home immediately and Britain condemned the proposal.

The government of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, holding the foreigners as shields against possible military attack, denied it is mistreating them.

President Bush, campaigning for Republican candidates, told an audience in Burlington, Mass., he ''wants desperately to have a peaceful solution'' to the crisis, but declared he is determined to turn back Saddam's aggression.

''Our problem is with Saddam Hussein alone,'' Bush said. ''I want desperately to have a peaceful solution to this problem. We are giving the (U.N.) sanctions time to work, but let this be clear ... there will be no compromise on the stated goals of the United Nations resolutions. None at all.''

''No one is more determined to see this aggression turned back, and I will not change on this fundamental point of morality,'' Bush said.

The State Department said the U.N.-backed economic sanctions are beginning to seriously affect Iraq's economy but have not had any real effect on Saddam's resolve to end his 3-month-old occupation of Kuwait.

Reacting to Saddam's offer to let relatives see the hostages at Christmas,

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater asked, ''Why doesn't he let the hostages come home? That would be the best way, or better yet, Thanksgiving.''

Fitzwater said he had no guidance on whether Americans should accept Iraq's offer.

Britain's Foreign Office called the offer ''disgraceful'' and labeled it ''cynical propaganda.'' However, an official at the Iraqi Embassy in London said two families had contacted the mission about getting visas to Iraq.

''It's a disgraceful example of Iraq exploiting the feelings of relatives of hostages at a time of particular importance of family life, that is, Christmas " a British official said. "All hostages should be freed immediately."

A top Palestine Liberation Organization official in Amman, Jordan, said Thursday Iraq would free all the hostages if it is guaranteed there will be no military action to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis. The PLO official said Iraq also wants assurances that discussions for a politiacl solution will begin.

Iraq's Foreign Ministry told its embassies around the world to issue visas to families of foreign nationals held at economic and military installations. Iraqi forces seized the foreigners after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent U.S.-led international military build-up in Saudi Arabia.

''The Foreign Ministry issued instructions to ... grant entry visas to Iraq to families of the foreigners hosted in Iraqi vital installations if they wanted to visit them on the occasion of Christmas and New Years,'' the Iraqi News Agency said.

The offer came a day after Bush said he had ''had it'' with Iraq's treatment of the captive Americans.

INA quoted an official spokesman as denying charges the foreigners, estimated to number slightly less than 4,000, were being mistreated, and he accused the United States of using the situation as a pretext for a possible military strike. There are about 700 American men in Kuwait and Iraq.

''The U.S. administration tends to escalate the situation in the region through fabricating pretexts and lies to prepare for a military aggression against Iraq,'' INA quoted an official spokesman as saying.

An Iraqi newspaper confirmed reports Thursday that Iraq was in the ''highest state of preparedness for a battle.''

Bush said Wednesday that he would not use the hostages as a pretext for a military strike, but said he had ''had it'' with their treatment, especially that of U.S. diplomats holed up in the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait.

Iraqi occupation troops cut off food, water and electricity to the U.S. and other Western missions more than a month ago when they defied an order to move to Baghdad.

The Washington Post reported the U.S. Embassy staff still in Kuwait, believed to be fewer than 10, only had a three or four week supply of canned tuna and rice. The newspaper also said the diplomats were running low on generator fuel to power a satellite telephone link to Washington.

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LONDON (NOV. 1) UPI - Britain's High Court Thursday granted Polly Peck International,the embattled conglomerate, the right to hear details of an investigation mounted against it by the government's Serious Fraud Office.

Polly Peck was granted the judicial review after lawyers for the company claimed it was unfair for anti-fraud officials to refuse to list their complaints.

In September, the total market capitalization of Polly Peck shares, traded on the London International Stock Exchange, collapsed from more than $720 million to about $180 million as share prices plunged. The exchange suspended the shares after word spread that the Serious Fraud Office was investigating alleged insider trading.

The Serious Fraud Office raided Polly Peck headquarters Tuesday as part of its investigations into the heavily leveraged company, which faces bankruptcy. Serious Fraud Office officials had no comment on the court's decision that they reveal what they are investigating, but they previously maintained they were under no legal obligation to relinquish the information.

Polly Peck executives have claimed that there is no evidence of wrongdoing to back up the investigation. Owner and Chairman Asil Nadir, a Turkish-Cypriot, has claimed there is a conspiracy to undermine Polly Peck by unnamed "Greek interests."

The High Court last month appointed administrators to try and untangle the finances of Polly Peck, which owes 50 banks about $1.9 billion. The company's far-flung operations - ranging from fruit growing and light manufacturing in Turkey and northern Cyprus, to Del Monte Fruits Co. in the United States, to electronics distributors in the Far East - make the administrators' task difficult, analysts said.

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#90305u0954 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 1) UPI - A delegation of the European Parliament

currently visiting the United Nations called Thursday for more coordinated activities between the two bodies.

Jas Gawronski, a member of the Italian Republican Party and president of the eight-person delegation, listed disarmament, narcotics, refugees, and monitoring of elections as areas in which their activities overlap.

''There is room for better cooperation,'' he said at a news conference.

Gawronski said that during last February's elections in Nicaragua there was ad hoc cooperation between vote monitors from the United Nations and Europe. He said his delegation has discussed joint monitoring of upcoming elections in Haiti and El Salvador.

The delegation met Wednesday with U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar, and has also held meetings with numerous other U.N. officials and committees. It intends to be a permanent group covering relations between the United Nations and the European Parliament, Gawronski said.

Besides Italy, the delegation includes members from France, Spain, the Netherlands, and Portugal.

The European Parliament is elected by voters of the 12 member states of the European Community. It sits in Strasbourg, France.

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#90305u0956 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (NOV. 1) UPI - Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy said Thursday that last month's U.N Security Council resolutions condemning Israel were really intended to maintain the anti-Iraqi coalition in place.

Levy discussed the crisis in the Middle East with President Francois Mitterrand Wednesday night and said at the end of his three-day visit that Mitterrand acknowledged he did not know how the situation in the Persian Gulf would develop.

''We will be wiser after the November congressional elections in America,'' Levy quoted Mitterrand as saying.

Last week the International Herald Tribune and the satirical French weekly Le Canard Enchaine reported that Mitterrand told visitors he expected an imminent war in the gulf, where a U.S-led mulitnational force of several hundred thousand troops is deployed to discourage Iraq from further aggression after its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. The presidential Elysee Palace denied the reports.

Levy told French officials that Israel considers the recent U.N Security

Council resolutions condemning it for violence against Palestinians in the occupied territories to be unjust and that their real purpose was to maintain the anti-Iraqi coalition of Western and Arab countries in place.

''Israel is asked to pay the price and we are not ready to do so,'' Levy said. The foreign minister said his country has kept a low profile in the gulf crisis ''in order not be accused of exploiting the situation.''

''But a danger persists and we are sure that the free world will not bend before (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein's challenge,'' he said.

France voted for the resolutions condemning Israel for the deaths Oct. 8 of 20 Palestinians on Temple Mount in Jerusalem. The Palestinians were killed by Israeli police after they showered rocks on Jewish worshippers at the nearby Western Wall.

During his meeting with French officials, Levy reiterated his government's refusal to accept a U.N. committee assigned to investigate the disorder.

Mitterrand reminded Levy Wednesday night that France has always supported Israel's right to exist and its insistence that Jerusalem remain part of the Jewish state.

''Jerusalem is the very soul of the Jewish people and I understand that Israel will never give up the city or stop considering it the capital of the state,'' Levy quoted Mitterrand as saying.

The foreign minister, insisting he was pleased with his visit to France, said Mitterrand acknowledged differences between the two countries but ''Israel can count on me and can rest assured of our friendship.''

Despite the conciliatory remarks, the three days of talks between Levy and French officials, including Prime Minister Michel Rocard, concentrated on the serious differences that separate French and Israeli policy in the Middle East.

Among these are France's insistence that an international conference be convened to discuss the crisis in the region, including a homeland for the Palestinians. Israel rejects this approach in favor of direct talks with all the parties concerned.

Another subject of discord is Paris' recognition of the Palestine Liberation Organization as a legitimate political group. Mitterrand and Dumas have received PLO leader Yasser Arafat numerous times since 1989. The third point of contention is the installation of exclusively Jewish colonies in the occupied territories.

''There exists a French policy, and I am not here to change it,'' Levy told reporters before returning to Jerusalem.

The Israeli minister reportedly asked Paris for financial help in resettling Soviet jews in Israel, whose number is expected to reach 1 million by 1992.

French diplomats said Levy also asked France to help improve relations between Jerusalem and the 12 members of the European Economic Community, which has condemned Israeli policy in the occupied territories.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - President Bush will attend the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe to be held in Paris, Nov. 19-21, the White House announced Thursday.

The 34-nation gathering, a follow-up to the Helsinki Conference in 1974, was expected to be highlighted by the signing of a conventional arms agreement by Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

Press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said other stops and dates on the president's itinerary will be announced later.

Bush was expected to leave Washington on Nov. 15 and to meet with West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl in Germany on his first stop of a European swing. The journey, expected to last for some 10 days, also will take Bush to Saudi Arabia where he will spend Thanksgiving Day with the thousands of troops sent to the Persian Gulf to deter further Iraqi aggression.

Bush also was expected to travel to Egypt before returning to Washington around Nov. 24.

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TOLEDO, OH (NOV. 1) UPI - A carryout owner turned the tables on a would-be holdup artist, making him report his own robbery, police said Thursday.

Police said Rodney Boyd, 32, pulled a gun on the owner of a food market Halloween night and demanded cash from the register.

But when Boyd's attention was diverted, owner Glashan Smidi pulled out a 9mm handgun and ordered Boyd to drop his weapon, investigators reported.

Smidi then ordered the would-be robber to call the 911 emergency number and summon authorities to the attempted robbery at the Arlington Food Mart, they said.

Boyd was in jail on a charge of robbery.

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#90305u0972 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 1) UPI - Winnie Mandela, wife of African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela, was fined $80 or 10 days in jail Thursday for failing to pay umplemployment insurance for workers at her fish-and-chips shop.

Mrs. Mandela, due to stand trial in February on charges of assault and kidnapping, pleaded guilty to charges of failing to pay a $50 premium to the Department of Manpower and failing to submit an insurance statement.

A magistrate last week ordered Mrs. Mandela's arrest when she failed twice to appear in court in connection with the case.

A charge of non-appearance was dropped Thursday when her lawyer, Ismail Ayob, told the court Mrs. Mandela was unaware a summons had been served at the shop in suburban Johannesburg until she heard about the arrest warrant from reporters.

Ayob also produced a receipt showing the insurance premium for the period between January and August has since been paid.

Mrs. Mandela is free on her own recognizance pending trial in February with seven others on charges of kidnapping and assault in connection with the December 1988 abduction of four blacks by her unofficial body guards and the alleged assault at her home.

One of the four, a 14-year-old boy, was found murdered in January 1989. Mrs. Mandela's chief bodyguard, Jerry Richardson, was sentenced to death for the murder earlier this year.

The case led to Mrs. Mandela's repudiation by the anti-apartheid community before her husband's February release from 27 years imprisonment.

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#90305u0973 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
HARARE, ZIMBABWE (NOV. 1) UPI - Many students find exams painful but Rosemary Dandira endured hers while experiencing child birth contractions.

After completing a three-hour exam on Monday for a certificate as an accounting technician, Dandira, 33, was taken to a hospital. She gave birth to a healty baby girl whom she named Fortunate.

On Tuesday, the mother of two boys and now three girls left the hospital to take another three-hour exam.

On Wednesday, she wrote a third three-hour paper and said she will also take exams Friday and Monday.

There was no word on her grades yet.

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#90305u1012 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

DHAKA, BANGLADESH (NOV. 1) UPI - An indefinite curfew was put in effect Thursday for the entire capital city amid fears of communal riots over the storming of the Babri mosque in India.

Police using the public address system announced the curfew and advised people to say indoors. Government offices were closed two hours early to allow employees to return home.

On Wednesday an indefinite curfew was imposed in three police stations of Dhaka after some people tried to set fire to two Hindu temples. But no adverse incident was reported Thursday.

Police shot at a violent mob Wednesday night, injuring at least 34 people who were admitted later to hospitals.

Meanwhile Nirmal Sen, leader of the five-party left alliance, said the government imposed the curfew to foil planned opposition peace rallies scheduled for Thursday afternoon.

All opposition political parties, including the Islamic fundamentalist Jamaat-e-Islami, have appealed for peace and urged the people to maintain harmony at any cost.

In India, 10 people died Thursday in the third day of violence that erupted when Hindu fundamentalists tried to build a temple on the site of the 460-year-old Moslem holy site. The conflict has already cost 59 lives throughout India.

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#90305u1025 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

DOVER, DE (NOV. 1) UPI - Under clear and sunny skies, the bodies of 11 servicemen killed in Operation Desert Shield accidents returned to the United States Thursday.

Navy and Marine Corps officials received the bodies of the 10 sailors killed Tuesday in an accident aboard the USS Iwo Jima and that of a Marine killed in a vehicle accident.

An honor guard of sailors and Marines carried the metal coffins one by one from the aircraft and loaded them onto hearses which took the remains to the base mortuary. Military personnel saluted as each coffin was brought out of the C-141 Starlifter.

No families were present at the hour-long ceremony. The bodies were formally received by Adm. Jerome Johnson, Vice Adm. J.S. Donnell III, Rear Adm. J.D. Olson II and Marine Corps. Brig. Gen. R.H. Sutton.

Capt. Bill Perry, chaplain of the Navy District, Washington, D.C., said a brief prayer for comfort of the families.

A base spokesman said the families of the 11 will be officially notified of the arrivals and arrangement will be made for funerals according to their wishes.

The 10 sailors died when a steam line ruptured in the boiler room of the USS Iwo Jima.

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#90305u1032 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 1) UPI - Iraq is offering to allow families of the hostages being held in Iraq and Kuwait to visit during the Christmas holiday, instructing Iraqi embassies around the world to issue entry visas to any hostage relative. The Bush administration says instead that the hostages should be freed immediately and Britain condemns the Iraqi idea as ''cynical propaganda.''

A British Foreign Office spokesman in London describes the Iraqi holiday visit offer as ''disgraceful'' and a move by Iraq to exploit the feelings of relatives of the hostages at a particularly vulnerable time... Christmas.

President Bush was on the campaign trail in Burlington, Massachusetts, saying he wants a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis but is determined that Iraq must pay for its aggression. White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater referred to the Iraqi holiday visit offer, saying the hostages should be freed immediately so they can be home for Thanksgiving.

Heavy fog in the nation's capital delayed the start of the president's six-day cross-country campaign blitz for about 25 minutes, grounding the Marine One helicopter. Instead, Bush traveled to Andrews Air Force Base by motorcade, where his Air Force One jet took off late. The second stop on the Bush agenda today is Mashpee, Massachusetts, and finally, Orlando, Florida.

The Commerce Department reports more economic slowdown. The value of new construction dropped two-point-eight percent in September for the worst decline since a three percent retreat in January 1982- during the last recession. Private construction was down two percent from August, and private

residential construction was down two-point-three percent. But that actually is a smaller drop than the four-point-eight percent dive recorded in August.

Police in Saginaw, Michigan, are conducting a state-wide search for a drug store employee they say went on a deadly rampage in a stock room last night, attacking three co-workers with a claw hammer. One 24-year- old woman was killed and a 17-year-old boy is hospitalized in critical condition. Police say they don't know what motivated the suspect, 28- year-old Steven Edward King.

Fast food giant McDonald's is cleaning up its act, as far as environmentalists are concerned. The company based in Oak Brook, Illinois, says it will begin phasing out use of foam packaging within the next 60 days, first changing the containers it uses for hamburgers and other products. Those account for nearly 75 percent of McDonald's total use of foam packaging.

Israeli military spokesmen and Lebanese security sources confirm a strike by Israeli warplanes at a Palestinian guerrilla base in east Lebanon, just 11 miles from the Syrian border. Four U-S-built F-16 fighter jets dropped four rockets on the two-story guerrilla base building, wounding six people.

The Press Trust of India reports that 10 more people have died in a third day of violence as Hindu fundamentalists try to tear down a 460- year-old Moslem mosque and build a Hindu temple. It brings the death toll to 59 in a dispute that has plunged India's government into a leadership crisis.

Moslems also have come under attack on the island nation of Sri Lanka off the Indian coast. More than 50-thousand have fled into southern areas of the country as the Sri Lankan military begins a major offensive against militant Tamil residents in the north.

More possible hot water for Victor Kiam, owner of the Remington shaver company and the New England Patriots football team. A Canadian newspaper say authorities are charging Kiam with misleading advertising for his razors. The paper says that if Kiam's convicted, he could face up to five years in jail or a fine.

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#90305u1048 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - Abortion rights advocates and opponents Thursday sought the meaning behind Health Secretary Louis Sullivan's comment about a physician's duty to discuss abortion when a woman's life is endangered.

Sullivan's statement that physicians have ''broad professional responsibility'' to protect the life of a pregnant woman came when reporters asked his views of a Supreme Court case, heard Tuesday, challenging government regulations preventing federally financed family planning clinics from discussing abortion.

While skirting the precise issue of Title 10-funded clinics, Sullivan, a physician, got advocacy groups wondering about his abortion views when he said:

''While we are opposed to abortion, it's not absolute. If there are cases where the life of the mother is threatened, then it's the physician's responsibility to do whatever he can. ... The issue is what is required by the situation.''

Sullivan's views on the volatile issue of abortion are significant not only because he is the nation's top health official, but because the subject has gotten him into hot water with the administration in the past.

Before his confirmation, it was reported that Sullivan favored abortion rights differing from the administration's view that the procedure should only be allowed in cases of rape, incest or when the mother's life is threatened. After much controversy, Sullivan publically stated he stands with the administration on the matter, causing some to question his veracity.

A Planned Parenthood Federation of America official said he takes some, but not much, solace over Sullivan's comments following the Supreme Court oral arguments,

''It's an itsy, bitsy step in the right direction, but he has a long way to go ... to offer comfort to people who believe the regulations are wrong,'' said Roger Evans, director of litigation for Planned Parenthood, the group challenging the regulations on First Amendment grounds.

''My personal belief is that Sullivan is, in a sense, a victim of the same censorship of views as doctors in Title 10 clinics, because probably the guy (Sullivan) believes these regulations are unconscionable and he is just forbidden to say so,'' Evans said.

He stated satisfaction that Sullivan recognized the need for abortion when a woman's life was immediately threatened.

''This offers a small piece of solace to women, but he doesn't begin to address all other circumstances when the mother's life is not in imminent danger. What about if the woman has AIDS? Or a heart condition? Or diabetes or another condition when pregnancy exacerbates the condition but she is not going to die within the next couple of hours?'' Evans asked.

Sullivan's comments were not very clear to Robert McFadden of the Ad Hoc Committee in Defense of Life.

''I'm not really sure what to think. It's a bit more complicated. My very first reaction was, 'Oh no.','' McFadden said. ''But it's tough to say he's a turncoat.''

James Bopp Jr, general counsel for the National Right to Life Committee, said his group agrees with Sullivan and does not believe the secretary strayed from the administration's views.

''The National Right to Life Committee has no opposition to abortion when it is necessary to save the life of a woman. And we also believe Title 10 regulations allow that. I don't think what we're saying is inconsistent with what (Solicitor General Kenneth) Starr said. True, there was some confusion about what he said, but he eventually got it right,'' Bopp said.

Starr told the justices the regulations allow a doctor to tell a woman she is in danger and needs treatment, but not to recommend an abortion. ''To actually go forward and counsel, 'You need an abortion,' is beyond the regulations,'' he said.

Justice David Souter, who had steadfastly kept secret his views on abortion during his confirmation, appeared to question Title 10's constitutionality.

He asked Starr why, if the woman already is pregnant and so beyond the government's professed pre-pregnancy scope of the program, a doctor could still not discuss abortion without the clinic risking a loss of government money.

''For all we know, her blood pressure is going to result in a stroke within the next hour,'' Souter said.

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#90305u1058 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST (NOV. 1) UPI - Opposition political leaders said Thursday police launched a clampdown on their activities and made mass arrests of their supporters after the country's first multiparty presidential election.

More than 200 supporters of the opposition Ivorian Popular Front were arrested in towns throughout the country Wednesday and Thursday, the party said.

The government had no comment on the opposition's charges.

On Sunday the FPI put forward a candidate, Laurent Gbagbo, in the country's first multiparty elections, but President Felix Houphouet- Boigny, who has ruled the West African country for 30 years, was declared the winner with more than 80 percent of the vote amid accusations of ballot-rigging and fraud.

Ivorian Popular Front supporters, including Jean Oulai, a law professor at Abidjan University, were being held at the Jalliene army camp near the capital city Thursday night, opposition leaders said.

Arrests also took place in the towns of Daloa and Gagnoa, where FPI sympathizers tried to march through the town.

''It's the terror. It's the terror,'' said FPI spokesman Louis Dacoury-Tablis. ''They just want to stop the electors of the Ivory Coast from organizing and fighting elections.''

The FPI is now planning to field candidates for the country's first multiparty national Assembly elections scheduled for Nov. 27.

In explaining the arrests of opposition leaders earlier this week, the official government newspaper accused FPI supporters of smashing ballot boxes during Sunday's election.

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#90305u1075 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Work continued Thursday on eight feature movies in New York City and Long Island despite expiration of a contract between film and television producers and a production crafts union that could threaten the city's future as the nation's second film capital.

Although some members of the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers have said they probably will write New York out of their scripts in the near future, expiration at Wednesday midnight of a contract with Local 52 of the International Alliance of Theater Stage Employess and Moving Picture Machine Operators failed to halt filming of movies already in production.

Negotiations with IATSE's Locals 52, and Local 644, representing cinematographers, reportedly were at an impasse but union officials have not threatened a strike. Some 127 permits for feature films have been issued by the city through Oct. 19, involving employment of nearly 3,500 workers.

"My people will continue to work while we're in negotiatations, and we expect to still be in negotitions in December," said Lou D'Agostino, a spokesman for Local 644.

Film-making, including television, commercials, documentaries, and educational films, is New York's third largest industry, topped only by tourism and fashion. The Mayor's Office for Film said the film industry was expected to pour $3 billion into the city's economy this year.

"Since we're in our slowest season right now through March, we probably won't see the effects of this situation right away," said Amy Sultan of the Mayor's Office.

"This isn't like a factory situation where the machinery shuts down. We won't know about the effect for sure until films scripted for New York wind up

shooting in Toronto."

According to D'Agostino, the sticking point in negotiations is over different work rules that prevail on the West Coast which producers would like to see put into effect in New York in order to reduce production costs.

The rules include a looser definition on overtime that eliminates considerable time-and-a-half work and weekend differentials as well as different financing of health and pension benefits.

West Coast locals agreed last year to overtime revisions that benefitted the producers in return for $40 million in payouts to health and pension funds from the residual earnings of films from network television sales, cable television and videocassettes.

D'Agostino said New York workers want to preserve current work rules because extra money earned in overtime was needed to equal residual payments received by West Coast workers, an assertion disputed by the Producers' Alliance.

The alliance represents Paramount, Columbia, Warner Bros., 20th CenturyFox, Orion and MGM studios. Universal and Disney ar not involved in current negotiations.

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#90305u1077 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 1) UPI - Stock prices closed lower in moderate trading Thursday on the London International Stock Exchange, driven down by official statements that put an end to speculation interest rate cuts were in the offing. Stocks also fell in Frankfurt and Zurich.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 16.4 points Wednesday, fell 22.3 points to 2,028.0. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 20.8 points to 1,572.1.

Volume amounted to around 373 million shares, compared with the 384 million that changed hands on Wednesday. Analysts said stocks eased following a British Treasury announcement making it clear a cut in British interest rates is not imminent.

In what market watchers described as an unusual move - coming in the wake of widespread speculation the government would be forced to lower rates - the Treasury said "it is obvious from authorities' actions in the market in recent days that they do not consider a fall in interest rates appropriate."

Meanwhile, the Bank of England issued a statement stating "our recent actions in the money market have been consistent with a continuing level of interest rates 14 percent."

"We certainly agree with the Chancellor of the Exchequer, John Major, that it would be wrong to cut interest rates until it is safe to do so," the central bank said. Speculation of a cut in interest rates helped drive stocks broadly higher Wednesday.

Renewed tensions in the Persian Gulf also returned to the forefront in setting the tone for trading stocks, with statements from Saddam Hussein that his troops were ready for war, analysts noted.

This spurred oil shares higher, with British Petroleum adding two cents to $6.36 and Shell gaining eight cents to $8.52.

Among other widely traded issues, hotel company Trusthouse Forte fell 20 cents to $4.75 amid speculation that higher air fares would hurt the industry.

Eurotunnel fell 38 cents to $8.93 as dealers awaited details of its upcoming rights issue.

In Germany, stocks closed broadly lower in holiday-lightened trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. The closely watched Weighted German Index, which added 2.68 points Wednesday, fell 16.07 points to 1,417.75.

On the ecomonic front, the Bundesbank hiked Germany's key Lombard lending rate one-half percentage point to 8.5 percent, in what was partly interpreted as a warning against excessive government borrowing. The Lombard rate is used by banks to borrow from the central bank, using securities as collateral.

The bank said the Lombard will again act as a "very short-term, standby liquidity reserve," a remark seen as expressing the Bundesbank's displeasure over growing use of the facility for extensive borrowing rather than as a last-resort window.

The increase, the first since October 1989, was ordered by the Bundesbank's policy-making Central Council, which decided not to hike the discount rate from six percent.

In Zurich, stocks closed lower in cautious trading on the Zurich Stock Exchange.

The Credit Suisse Stock Index fell 7.6 points to 479.5 as local investors stepped to the sidelines amid growing concerns over conflicting statements surrounding the Persian Gulf situation.

Elsewhere around Europe, banks, businesses, and financial markets were closed in France, Belgium, Italy, and Spain for the All Saints Day holiday. Trading will resume Friday.

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#90305u1081 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
LIMA (NOV. 1) UPI - The Peruvian cost of living rose 9.6 percent in October, a report released Thursday by the official National Institute of Statistics and Information showed. Two private economic groups estimated higher October inflation rates of 11.1 percent and 12.1 percent.

Felix Murillo, head of the government statistical institute, said the figures showed a "deceleration" of inflation in the country since President Alberto Fujimori assumed power July 28. Fujimori had inherited an economy burdened by hyperinflation, or inflation in excess of 50 percent a month, that hit its peak in August at 397 percent.

In early August the Fujimori administration ordered a drastic economic plan that freed controls on prices and currency exchange and drastically increased rates of government-owned goods and services, such as public utilities and gasoline.

Inflation rose 5,812 percent in the first ten months of the year, the official statistics showed. In September, inflation rose 13.8 percent, the institute reported.

Murillo said that the official and private inflation rates differed because of differences in the way the statistics were taken. The government used as a reference the prices of the last day of the the previous month.

The Apoyo Group reported the October inflation at 11.1 percent, but it noted that if meat prices had not risen significantly in the first week of the month the overall cost of living would have increased less than seven percent. The private statistical group Cuanto S.A., which measures daily variations in prices, reported the inflation rate at 12.1 percent.

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#90305u1091 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - U.S. business failures, driven by dramatic increases in the New England and Middle Atlantic states, climbed 14.5 percent in the first nine months of 1990, Dun & Bradstreet Corp. said Thursday.

Failures in the New England and Middle Atlantic regions combined soared more than 90 percent in the first nine months of the year, the business information company said.

''Every industry and every state in these two regions reported sharp increases in business failures, reflecting stress throughout the Northeast,'' said Joseph Duncan, corporate economist and chief statistician for D&B.

Overall, U.S. business failures increased 14.5 percent to 43,836 from 38,296 in the first nine months of 1990, after three years of steady declines.

Only two of the nine U.S. census regions reported decreases in failures during the period, the East North Central - comprised of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin - and Pacific regions.

''In addition to the dramatic increase in the Northeast, failures are up across the United States, signaling weakness in the U.S. economy overall,'' said Duncan.

Duncan also noted that the size of liabilities associated with the bankruptcies jumped sharply, indicating a rise in the number of large businesses filing for bankruptcy.

Business failures were up in every major industry, with the exception of the mining industry, D&B said. Mining failures fell 4.8 percent to 257 from 270.

Failures in the finance, insurance and real estate sector posted the sharpest increase, up 31.1 percent to 2,767 in the latest nine months from 2,111 in the year-ago period, when failures were also at high levels.

''There is strong evidence of ongoing stress due to the savings and loan crisis, as the upward trend in finance, insurance and real estate failures continued to mount throughout the United States,'' Duncan said.

Manufacturing failures also increased sharply, rising 19.5 percent to 3,469 from 2,902. Bankruptcies in wholesale trades climbed 13.4 percent to 3,106 from 2,740, and failures among retail establishments increased 12.5 percent to 9,372 from 8,329.

Service failures rose 8.5 percent in the latest nine months to 14,777 from 13,777. Construction failures climbed 10.8 percent to 5,857 from 5, 285; transportation and public utilities increased 20.1 percent to 1,826 from 1,520; and agriculture, forestry and fishing rose 7.3 percent to 1, 160 from 1,081.

The New England states reported the sharpest increase in business failures, up 192.8 percent to 2,196 from 750 in the same period a year ago. The most dramatic increase occurred in Massachusetts, where failures more than tripled to 1,426 from 395.

In the Middle Atlantic region, bankruptcies soared 64.6 percent to 4, 816 from 2,925. Failures climbed sharply in New Jersey, up 117.8 percent to 858 from 394. New York posted an increase of 70.3 percent to 2,372 from 1,393.

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#90305u1111 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (NOV. 1) UPI - The army-backed alliance that won last week's parliamentary elections Thursday nominated its president, Nawaz Sharif, as the country's next prime minister.

The Islamic Democratic Alliance, a loose coalition of parties opposed to ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto, unanimously elected Sharif at its first high-level meeting since its decisive victory in the Oct. 24 elections, an IDA spokesman said.

The new National Assembly is virtually certain to confirm Sharif as prime minister when it meets for the first time on Saturday.

Sharif, 42, is a wealthy industrialist and, as chief minister of Punjab, Pakistan's most populous province, was Bhutto's main adversary during her term of office.

He would become Pakistan's first Punjabi prime minister. The position has traditionally been filled by natives of Sind because of the southern province's ethnic sensitivities.

But observers say Sharif drew support for his nomination over Sindi caretaker Prime Minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi by his prominent role in the IDA's convincing election victory over Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party.

Sharif told reporters after the meeting he did not believe his premiership would inflame communal tensions in Sind, where thousands have died in ethnic violence in the past few years.

''I don't foresee any reaction in Sind to my premiership,'' Sharif said. ''Every prominence will be given to Sind in my government.''

Sharif also said no further corruption cases would be filed against Bhutto, who has been charged in Special Disqualifiction Courts on seven counts of misuse of power.

''We don't believe in victimization,'' he said. ''We have been fair to (Bhutto) and we will not file any more cases. But we have no control over the cases already in the courts.''

Bhutto could be barred from politics for seven years if convicted of any of the charges against her.

Her husband, businessman Asif Ali Zardari, is in jail in the southern city of Karachi, facing charges of kidnapping and extortion. Officials said Thursday Zardari, who won a National Assembly seat in the elections, would be allowed to take the oath of office in Islamabad on Saturday.

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan sacked Bhutto's 20-month-old government on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to control law and order and dissolved the National Assembly. He appointed opposition leader Jatoi to head an interim government until the elections.

Bhutto has charged the IDA had resorted to ''gross rigging'' in the elections. Most international observer teams said they had found no evidence to support her allegations. But a team from the International League of Human Rights in Paris said ''a highly sophisticated fraud mechanism'' was partly responsible for the IDA win.

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#90305u1121 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - Environmental and consumer groups launched an advertising campaign Thursday criticizing President Bush for opposing tougher energy conservation laws while sending U.S. soldiers to the Mideast to protect oil supplies.

In an effort that raises politically charged questions about U.S. motives for sending soldiers to Saudi Arabia, the advertising blitz contends higher federal fuel economy requirements for cars could eliminate the need for Mideast oil and, by implication, the need for American military intervention.

"How high a price are we willing to pay for Mideast oil?" ask the ads, which show a picture of a U.S. soldier superimposed on a gasoline pump. "Saving energy at home: It's better than losing American lives abroad."

Though the ads suggest U.S. troops are in Saudi Arabia to safeguard oil supplies, Bush has said the main reason for U.S. involvement is to counter aggression against Kuwait by Iraq. The ads will start Friday in The New York Times and other major newspapers and also include radio and television public service announcements.

The campaign is being organized by the Coalition for Fuel Efficient Transportation, which includes nine non-profit environmental, consumer and energy conservation lobbying organizations.

The ads drew a blistering response from the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association, which said the attempt to link U.S. troops in the Middle East with automotive fuel economy was "misleading and outrageous."

"These spots are yet another instance where purposely misleading statements are made in an attempt to convince consumers that the automobile is the energy culprit," said Thomas Hanna, head of the automaker group. "I don't think the American public is going to buy that for a minute."

"Motor vehicle manufacturers have more than doubled the fuel efficiency of the

fleet of new cars since the oil crises of the '70s, and are committed to continuing improvements," he said.

But the advertisements charge car manufacturers could do more to reduce consumption of oil and they urge greater public support for legislation that would force automakers to build more fuel-efficient cars - a bill strenuously opposed by the administration.

Administration officials joined the auto industry in an all-out lobbying effort in Congress last month that killed a Senate bill to raise federal auto fuel economy standards from the current fleetwide average of 27.5 miles per gallon to 40 mpg by 2000.

The opponents charged the bill effectively would require automakers to make cars smaller and lighter, making them more dangerous in accidents. They said that also would hurt sales, because many Americans want larger cars.

Backers of the legislation rejected the "down-sizing" arguments, saying automakers had other technological options for improving fuel economy. They also said the bill would greatly enhance national energy security because it eventually would save 2.8 million barrels of oil a day - roughly one-third of current U.S. imports.

The advertisements maintain those savings would exceed the amount of oil now imported from the Mideast. "If every car in America got at least 35 miles per galllon, we wouldn't need another drop of Mideast oil," the newspaper ad reads.

"We're in an energy war. But the weapons we need to win this war aren't troops or tanks - but energy efficient cars and tough new legislation. "We won't pay the high price of Mideast oil," the ads conclude. "We won't fight Detroit's war."

In addition to tougher fuel economy standards, the ads call for higher taxes on "gas-guzzler" automobiles, tax rebates for owners of economical cars and greater federal support for mass transit and other alternative transportation.

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#90305u1122 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 1) UPI - More than three million Texans, one-third of them children, have no health insurance and have little prospect for improving coverage in the future, a report said Thursday.

The report by the Texas Research League, a private research group, said more than 17 percent of Texans have limited access to health care because they are uninsured. The study was undertaken at the request of Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby.

The percentage of Texans without health insurance is about three points higher

than the national average, the report said. Only California has more uninsured residents.

The group said Texas' uninsured rate is higher than the national average because of the state's higher percentage of poor and young people, few labor unions, restrictive Medicaid policies and high levels of employment in the service and retail trade sectors.

Most uninsured Texans are working adults and their families, students, the disabled and early retirees. Only 11.4 percent are unemployed. The Research League said the highest percentage of uninsured workers is in the retail trade and service sectors, which are expected to create the great majority of new jobs in the future.

Meanwhile, the study said employer-provided health insurance "seems to be crumbling" because small businesses increasingly cannot afford it. "The businesses that are large enough to access the best rates or to self-insure are far from satisfied with the status quo, as their premiums have increased steadily over the last decade, often by 10 to 20 percent per year," the report said.

Children make up 35.2 percent of uninsured Texans, which is slightly larger than the national average. Uninsured children are five times more likely to name the hospital emergency room as their primary source of health care as are insured kids. But the study said the age group most likely to be uncovered is between 18 and 24.

"Often they have 'grown out' of coverage from a parent, are in school or in entry-level jobs that are unlikely to provide coverage and may be less likely to perceive a need for health insurance," it said.

Among Texas' ethnic groups, 12.6 percent of whites have no health insurance compared to 19.9 percent for blacks and 35.8 percent for Hispanics. The rates for whites and blacks mirror national averages, but the Hispanic rate is three percentage points higher than the national rate.

Nearly 77 percent of all uninsured Texans have annual household incomes below $25,400. The Research League said there is "no simple painless solution" to the health insurance problem in Texas.

For families with incomes of more than $25,000, it said they could better afford insurance through a combination of public subidies and market reform. It said there must be varying levels of subsidies for the poorest.

But the report said neither market reforms nor public health insurance subsidies will solve the problem of runaway health costs. "If costs are not controlled, access will always be threatened," it said. "Tackling the cost problem is going to require some belt-tightening in every sector of health

care delivery; health costs cannot go down unless somebody makes less money."

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#90305u1124 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 1) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Air Express Intl (3rd Q)	
$141,918,000	$124,796,000
$2,867,000 (.57)	$1,531,000 (.30)
American Bankers Insurance (3rd Q)	
....	....
$7,171,000 (.50)	$1,511,000 a-(.10)
a-After losses of (.29) from Hurricane Hugo.	
American Water Works (3rd Q)	
$152,505,000	$141,651,000
$18,216,000 (.60)	$15,861,000 (.52)
Capital Holding (3rd Q)	
....	....
$51,009,000 (1.05)	$78,534,000 (1.68)
Constitution Bancorp (3rd Q)	
....	....
d-$1,006,000	$1,001,000 (.29)
d-Deficit.	
Domtar Inc (3rd Q)	
$574,000,000	$640,000,000
d-$21,000,000	$8,000,000 (.06)
d-Deficit.	
Hanover Insurance (3rd Q)	
....	....
$15,020,000 (.73)	$33,993,000 (1.65)
Kansas City Power & Light (3rd Q)	
$220,778,000	$206,559,000
$21,887,000 (.62)	$19,913,000 (.56)
Liberty Corp (3rd Q)	
$84,395,000	$86,849,000
$5,555,000 (.70)	$5,600,000 (.66)

Moore Products Co (3rd Q)
$24,141,000 $25,632,000
$64,000 (.03) $972,000 (.46)

Old Republic Intl (3rd Q)
....
$27,899,000 (1.17) $26,161,000 (1.12)

Pittway Corp (3rd Q)
....
$5,055,000 (.37) $6,734,000 (.49)

Ralston Purina (4th Q 9-30)
$1,791,400,000 $1,763,800,000
a-$82,000,000 (1.37) b-$45,200,000 (.65)
a-After a pre-tax charge of $10,000,000 (.10) for the planned closing of a pet food plant.
b-After a pre-tax charge of $31,400,000 (.31) for closing ceratin battery products and bakery operations and administration restructuring.

Reliance Group Hldg (3rd Q)
....
$4,227,000 (.06) d-$61,651,000
d-Deficit, after losses from the writedown and sale of certain fixed income and equity investment.

Rio Algom (3rd Q)
$330,980,000 $333,554,000
a-$7,423,000 (.16) $5,862,000 (.11)
a-Income from continuing operations.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Sbarro Inc (3rd Q 10-7)
$46,414,000 $35,698,000
$4,985,000 (.37) $3,605,000 (.27)

Shelter Components (3rd Q)
$39,126,000 $37,130,000
$552,000 (.19) $415,000 (.14)

Statewide Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
a-$6,619,000 (.66) $1,622,000 (.16)
a-Includes gains totaling $7,600,000 from the sale of credit card receivables and home equity loans, as well as employee severance expenses of $1,300,000.

Waxman Indus (1st Q 9-30)
$111,144,000 $116,500,000

$1,450,000 (.15) $2,000,000 (.22)

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#90305u1127 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - An independent study of voter registration figures predicted Thursday that slightly more than one-third of eligible voters will cast ballots in next week's election, perhaps leading to the lowest turnout in a half century.

The Committee for the Study of the American Electorate, a non- partisan group, said final registration figures from 31 states and the District of Columbia showed a decline of 1.27 percent from 1986. Republicans enjoyed a slight gain, while Democrats had a small loss.

Overall, the group said national registration should total 122.6 million. That would be more than the 119.7 million voters registered in 1986, but the increase did not keep pace with the growth in population.

Curtis Gans, director of the organization, predicted that as a result, voter turnout next Tuesday could be the lowest in nearly 50 years.

''All this points to a generally low turnout election with spotty surges in individual states with either hotly contested races or races of state or national significance,'' said Gans.

''Turnout could be as low or lower than the 36.4 percent of eligible voters who turned out in 1986, which, in turn, was the lowest turnout since 1942,'' Gans said.

Meanwhile, People for the American Way, a liberal lobbying group, compiled its own partial registration figures and came to virtually the same conclusion.

''Barring an unexpected surge in the states that have not yet reported, today's data presage a significant drop in voter turnout,'' said Sanford Horwitt of the group. ''If the registration figures in these states are an indication, we should brace ourselves for the lowest voter turnout for a federal election since World War II.''

Turnout in midterm elections is almost always lower than in presidential election years, when the race for the White House draws more people to the polls. The turnout in the 1942 midterm election was about 30 percent of eligible voters, Gans said.

Gans said a study of voter registration this year showed no consistent pattern nationwide.

''Rather, there are increases in registration in states which have recently

adopted driver's license registration and in states which have or have had very hotly contested and substantively significant contests in either the primaries or general election,'' said Gans. ''The overwhelming majority of states had lower registration.''

He added that in some of the large states, including New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, turnout is likely to suffer because the top races are one-sided.

''Because some of those states are among the most populous in the nation, they are likely to make national turnout figures look worse than they are,'' Gans said.

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THUNDER BAY, ONTARIO (NOV. 1) UPI - Escaped Milwaukee killer Lawrencia ''Bambi'' Bembenek will apply for refugee status in Canada, her lawyer said Thursday.

Lawyer Ron Lester said Bembenek also will issue a constitutional challenge to a Canadian government ruling last week that she is a ''danger to the public'' who must be deported.

Such refugee claims and constitutional challenges can take years to work their way through the courts.

Bembenek's fiance, Dominic Gugliatto, who helped her escape from a Wisconsin prison, was to appear at an immigration hearing Thursday afternoon.

Canada Immigration adjudicator Carmen DeCarlo ruled during Bembenek's appearance Thursday that news cameras and tape recorders will be allowed to record future hearings.

District court Sheriff George Burns, responsible for court decorum, had earlier said he would not allow cameras in the courtroom. But it appears Bembenek's next hearing, Nov. 22, will be held at the local jail where she's being held.

At Thursday's hearing, which lasted about 1 1/2 hours, Bembenek autographed a help wanted sign proferred by her former restaurant boss, Louis Kebezes.

Bembenek wrote: ''To the kindest Greek I know. You were the best boss.'' She signed it ''Jennifer'', the alias she used while living in Thunder Bay. She also signed her real name.

Canadian officials plan to expel the couple on immigration law violations for living and working in the country illegally.

Bembenek, 32, was convicted in the 1981 slaying of Christine Schultz, the former wife of Bembenek's husband, Elfred Schultz, a Milwaukee police detective who divorced Bembenek after her conviction.

Gugliatto, 34, Milwaukee, is accused of helping her escape July 15 from the Taycheedah Correctional Institution, a prison for women near Fond du Lac, Wis. They were believed to have been in Thunder Bay since the day after the escape until their arrest.

They were arrested Oct. 17 after someone saw her featured on a segment of the television show ''America's Most Wanted.''

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WARSAW, POLAND (NOV. 1) UPI - Traces of the lethal gas used at the Auschwitz concentration camp remain in the walls of the crematorium, an analysis released Thursday showed.

Polish scientists found cyanide gas in samples taken from the walls of crematorium No. 2 in Birkenau, an integral part of the Auschwitz- Birkenau Nazi Germany death camp of World War II, the Polish news agency PAP said.

The findings came 45 years after last mass exterminations in the camp.

An estimated 1.5 million people, the overwhelming majority Jews, perished in the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp, built by Nazis in 1940 near Krakow in southern Poland.

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MIAMI (NOV. 1) UPI - The University of Miami has received a $10 million federal grant to increase its involvement in improving relations among nations in the Western Hemisphere, officials said Thursday.

The money is to be used for the university's North-South Center, the research component for the Graduate School of International Studies. The main focus will be on key issues from the ''Latin America agenda,'' said Ambler H. Moss, dean of the international studies school.

''There is a complex set of tough issues on the agenda with Latin America, every one of which bears upon the protection of U.S. strategic interests,'' he said. ''Successful negotiation on a equitable basis with Latin American countries in pursuit of common objectives is essential.''

Moss said key issues include external debt as a continuing obstacle to development, investment opportunities, trade and the increase of markets for

Latin America and the United States, transfer of technology especially involving environmental issues and ways to shut down illegal drug trafficking.

The center is devoted to exchanging ideas, technology and research between the United States and the nations of Latin America, the Caribbean, and Canada. The federal grant will enhance that goal, said UM President Edward T. Foote II.

''The North-South Center will provide a disciplined, intellectual focus for improved relations, commerce and understanding between North America and our friends to the south,'' he said. ''It will collaborate with institutions in this country and other countries of the world.''

Moss said the grant was in line with President Bush's call last June for a new initiative in the hemisphere. The president said trade, investment and eliminating debt in the area were the ''three pillars'' of his proposal.

''The North-South Center will now be able to expand on these and other vital concerns,'' he said.

In 1925, the University of Miami charter proposed that the university take advantage of its unique location for study and research of Latin America. By 1937 UM was offering a special undergraduate major in Latin American studies.

Foote said he reaffirmed the commitment to international studies in his inaugural address 10 years ago when he said Latin America and the Caribbean were the focus of programs that would lure students and scholars.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - The exhumation of the 137-year-old remains of a former slave began in a Manhattan graveyard Thursday in what the archbishop of New York described as a step towards the possible canonization of Pierre Toussaint.

If canonized, Toussaint, a native of what is now Haiti who died in 1853 after a life dedicated to caring for the sick and poor, including his former owners, would be the first black American saint.

The exhumation began in a graveyard adjacent to Old St. Patrick's Church in lower Manhattan's Little Italy following a prayer ceremony attended by neighborhood parishioners, reporters and church officials.

''This could be a great day for the city of New York, not just for the church '' said Cardinal John O'Connor, the head of the archdiocese of New York. ''It would be magnificent if he was eventually declared a saint.''

O'Connor said the exhumation begins the process of investigating Toussaint's

life to determine whether the archidiocese will recommend that he be canonized but the digging up of the remains does not guarantee that he will become a saint.

Toussaint's name can be translated as ''all saints'' in French, and even though the exhumation began on All Saints Day, O'Connor said it was a coincidence not planned.

''We're not trying to preempt anything,'' the cardinal said.

Church officials did not know how long the canonization process would take.

''The church is never in a hurry to do this, because the Church does not try to create saints,'' O'Connor said.

Doctors who have volunteered to supervise the exhumation process said they did not know what to expect once the grave was completely excavated. They said they would attempt to identify Toussaint's remains and those of his adopted daughter and wife, believed to be buried with him.

''We could find nothing, bones or an entire body,'' said Dr. Victor Tchertkoff of the New York Medical College.

''I've been involved in exhumations before, but nothing this old. This is unique,'' said Dr. Millard Hyland, chief medical examiner for Westchester County.

''We might just find trinkets, like a cross,'' Hyland said.

Joseph Zwilling, spokesman for the archdiocese, said, ''There's a remote possibility that we will find his body preserved, and then we'd have to examine whether that was because of the way he was embalmed, the soil he was buried in, or some other reason.''

After the exhumation, Toussaint's remains will be kept temporarily at a crypt at Old St. Patrick's Church, before being moved to St. Patrick's Cathedral on Fifth Avenue for re-internment.

Toussaint was born a slave in Haiti in 1766 to a wealthy plantation owner who later moved the family to New York. When his owner lost his fortune in the French Revolution, Toussaint, who attended mass daily, supported the family by working as a hairdresser for wealthy New Yorkers. He won his freedom in 1804.

Toussaint became known for caring for the sick, especially in sections of the city ravaged by the yellow fever and cholera plagues, and for his explanations of the Catholic faith.

Church officials credit Toussaint with lifting some of the religious and

racial prejudice that existed in New York at the time.

Raphael Grullon, a custodian at Old St. Patrick's for 20 years and a resident of the neighborhood, said he was proud that his church might have a saint buried in its graveyard.

''I say he's a saint, but nobody knows for sure,'' Grullon said.

''Only God knows.''

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BEAUMONT, TX (NOV. 1) UPI - Mobil Corp. said Thursday that M.W. Kellogg of Houston was awarded the contract to modernize the oil company's Beaumont refinery in an project expected to cost more than $300 million.

Already the largest of Mobil's five U.S. refineries, the Beaumont plant will be expanded to process various grades of crude oil while incorporating new environmental controls to reduce emissions of sulfur and nitrogen dioxides.

"With the new Beaumont refinery, the total Mobil U.S. refining system will be among the best in industry. We are building to become a first-class world-class refiner," said Bill Blackmon, Beaumont refinery general manager.

The project will expand Mobil's total U.S. refining capacity from 285,000 barrels of crude oil a day to 325,000 barrels a day. It also will increase the production of super unleaded gasoline and distillate fuels, he said.

By shutting down older processing units and employing new technology in existing units, the refinery will improve its overall competitiveness through greater reliability and octane capability, Blackmon said.

Construction is expected to begin in the fourth quarter of this year and to be completed by the third quarter of 1992. During peak construction, the labor force is expected to number about 1,200 workers. After construction is finished, about 100 people will be required to maintain and operate the expanded refinery.

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RICHMOND, VA (NOV. 1) UPI - Faced with a mixed reaction from U.S. auto makers the Ethyl Corp. Thursday temporarily shelved its effort to introduce a new gasoline additive touted as a way to save energy and reduce pollution.

Before any additive can be added to gasolines, the Environmental Protection Agency must approve it. Ethyl had applied for permission to market HiTEC 3000,

and the EPA had until next Monday to decide yes or no.

After a Wednesday meeting in Washington between Ethyl Chairman Floyd Gottwald Jr. and EPA officials - a meeting at which it became obvious EPA questions about the additive could not be answered before the deadline - the company decided to withdraw the application.

Ethyl spokesman Pres Rowe said it will be at least a month before the company resubmits the application, as various meetings are planned to resolve differences among HiTEC 3000 test results. He did not elaborate on the differences.

Ethyl conducted more than 3 million miles of road testing with a 48-car fleet to see how the compound performed. The tests were overseen by EPA-recognized consultants, and the company concluded if the additive was used in all unleaded gasoline in the United States, some 82,000 barrels of oil could be saved each day and some 1.7 billion pounds of pollutants would be eliminated each year.

General Motors Corp. supported Ethyl's bid, Ford Motor Co. had some questions and Chrysler was opposed on the grounds it harmed catalytic converters. "Obviously we disagree," Rowe said. "We did three million miles of testing without any harm to converters."

Ethyl was long the nation's leading producer of lead anti-knock compounds for gasolines, but as soon as the EPA started the move to unleaded gas, Ethyl started diversifying, developing financial interests in fields as diverse as insurance and the pain-killer ibuprofen.

The additive boosts the octane in gasoline, which means the fuel burns more cleanly and efficiently. Higher octane also "means refiners can lower their use of toxic aromatics like benzene," Rowe said. "In terms of crude oil savings, if it was used in all unleaded gasoline in the U.S. ... we're looking at 30 million barrels a year."

Rowe said in terms of comments filed to the EPA on HiTEC 3000 - which is already used in Canada - "far more were in favor than opposed."

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - A House committee, citing the lessons learned in a 16-month investigation, says both Congress and the White House should stay out of the process for deciding who gets federal grants for housing projects.

Politics and cronyism were among the chief causes of the abuses that occurred at the Department of Housing and Urban Development during the term of Secretary Samuel Pierce, said the report released Thursday. "It is estimated

that this waste, abuse and mismanagement at HUD has cost the American taxpayer in excess of $2 billion," the report said.

Chief among the committee's recommendations "is a need to take politics and discretion out of housing programs. This applies equally to the executive and legislative branches."

The recommendations were based on a HUD probe by a subcommittee headed by Rep. Tom Lantos, D-Calif. A number of major reforms already have been enacted into law or adopted by the department with the support of the current secretary, Jack Kemp.

The panel harshly criticized Pierce and other former officials for giving housing grants based on political considerations or former associations. "HUD was enveloped by influence peddling, favoritism, abuse, greed, fraud, embezzlement and theft," the report said.

But it warned that the problem also extends to Congress which sometimes passes bills that "earmark" funds for specific housing projects. "HUD funding decisions should be based on merit and competition," the report said.

"Just as it was wrong for HUD, under Secretary Pierce, to dole out housing units and grants to former HUD officials and the politically well-connected, and just as it was not right for President Reagan in 1982 to give housing units to New Jersey to influence a Senate race, so too Congress should not earmark funding for housing projects in appropriations bills."

The committee noted that in one of last year's major appropriations bills, Congress specified funding of nearly $30 million for 40 housing grants. "This practice by Congress which circumvents objective criteria, competition, and merits should be ended."

The report acknowledged that while reforms are needed, they should be made "without unduly infringing on the right of the HUD secretary to conduct policy and to have his or her team running the agency. But the positions of deputy assistant secretaries should be filled by HUD career employees, not by political appointees."

Early in the investigation, Pierce appeared before the subcommittee and denied influencing the selection process for housing program grants. The report, however, said "at best, Secretary Pierce was less than honest ... At worst, Secretary Pierce knowingly lied and committeed perjury during his testimony."

Possible criminal violations by Pierce and other former HUD officials are being investigated by an independent counsel appointed early this year at the request of the attorney general.

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(NOV. 1) UPI - Iraq says families can visit hostages for Christmas, but the White House and Britain's Foreign Office are telling Saddam Hussein thanks, but NO thanks.

The holiday visit offer came from Baghdad today. Iraq's Foreign Ministry told its embassies around the world to issue visas to families of foreign nationals held in Iraq and Kuwait. But White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says Saddam has it backward, and that the hostages should be set free by Christmas, or ''better yet for Thanksgiving.'' In London a British spokesman called the Iraqi gesture ''disgraceful'' exploitation and ''cynical propaganda.''

It's NOT yet known if anyone will accept Hussein's holiday offering. However, an official at the Iraqi Embassy in London says two British families have contacted the mission already to ask about getting visas to Iraq.

The Iraqi Christmas visa offer comes as President Bush is making a cross-country, six-day campaign swing to bolster Republicans in next week's elections. Bush told an enthusiastic partisan crowd of a few hundred in Burlington, Massachusetts, today that Iraq's ''brutality will NOT stand.'' Bush appeared at a fund-raiser for William Weld, the G-O-P gubernatorial nominee seeking to replace Michael Dukakis, who is NOT seeking re-election. Weld is opposed by Democrat John Silber.

Unspecified problems with the top-secret military payload have forced a delay in the shuttle Atlantis mission to launch what is reported to be a spy satellite over the Persian Gulf region. The Atlantis launch had been scheduled for November 9th, but officials now say the delay will be as long as two weeks. A two-sentence Air Force statement referred to ''anomalies'' found during cargo testing. It is NOT clear whether the problems involve the satellite itself or support equipment in the shuttle cargo bay.

Halloween in some parts just keeps getting scarier. Despite a beefed- up force of transit police in the New York City subway, four teens were stabbed- two of them fatally. But extra precautions reportedly did work in Detroit, where so-called ''Devil's Night'' arson fires fell off from past years. The city had about 35-thousand volunteers patrolling the streets to guard against an outburst of arson.

A final report by a House committee says former Housing Secretary Samuel Pierce was directly involved in the abuses and favoritism that guided funding decisions by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The report issued in Washington today is based on a 16- month investigation by the Government Operations sub-committee. It points a finger at Pierce and other former HUD officials for giving housing grants based on politics.

Maybe you can drink the water, but don't eat the food. German officials report

that food produced in areas of what used to be called East Germany contains high levels of hazardous chemicals. Contamination of fish and fish products is reported ''enormously high'' by the German Federal Health Ministry. It also says relatively high levels of mercury and cadmium in East German soil is now found in everything from spinach to grains, potatoes and even wild game. And eggs have high levels of D- D-T banned in West Germany in the early 1970's.

A Moscow newspaper indicates that streets and subway stops in the capital are about to lose their Communist-era names. And one street will be re-named for slain American civil rights leader Martin Luther King Junior. At least 30 Moscow streets will be restored to their old names. The avenue named after Karl Marx will soon be called Hunter's Row.

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LONDON (NOV. 1) UPI - Former Prime Minister Edward Heath condemned President Bush on Thursday for enmeshing himself in a ''horrifying'' personal battle with Saddam Hussein, and called on Bush to have a ''cool head and patience'' in resolving the Persian Gulf crisis.

Elsewhere, the Foreign Office slammed a German and Italian initiative under which former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt will go to Baghdad to try and free Westerners held hostage by Iraq.

The Foreign Office also described as ''disgraceful'' Baghdad's offer to allow relatives of British hostages to visit their loved ones in Iraq for Christmas, an offer some citizens have accepted.

Heath, who met Iraqi President Saddam during a humanitarian visit to Baghdad last week that yielded the release of more than 30 elderly and ailing British hostages, said he objected statements by Bush Wednesday that he had ''had enough'' of Saddam.

''These issues are far too great to be decided on a personal like or dislike by the head of the greatest and most powerful country in the world,'' said Heath, who served as prime minister from 1970-74. ''It's horrifying that this position should be reached. What it requires is a cool head and patience.''

Heath, a senior member of the ruling Conservative Party, called on Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher to disassociate herself from Bush's statement.

''There must be a distinction between appeasement and solving a problem,'' he said. ''What we have to do in the Middle East is solve a problem. It requires a major diplomatic effort and that effort has not been made. Governments have abdicated diplomacy.

''They believe it is enough to pass United Nations resolutions and sit back,

and that is not enough, when peace and war are at stake, and tens of thousands of lives are at stake.''

Heath said he supported Brandt's planned mission, which was given a cautious welcome by the German government, but it was criticized by the Foreign Office for contravening a decision made at a stormy weekend European Community summit in Rome that governments of the 12-nation body would not send envoys to Baghdad.

Heath also condemned the Foreign Office for dismissing as ''cynical propaganda'' Baghdad's offer for relatives of hostages to visit Iraq for Christmas.

''This is a free country, and if they decide to go they are prefectly free to go,'' Heath said. ''The Foreign Office ought to know better than to say this is a cynical performance by the president of Iraq.''

The Foreign Office advised all relatives not to venture to Iraq.

''We obviously have a great deal of sympathy for the predicament of the relatives, but it is a difficult situation, and travel to Iraq would be risky '' an official said. About 1,400 Britons are in Iraq and Kuwait.

The minister plenipotentiary at the Iraqi embassy in London, Z. Ibrahim, said two families had applied for visas.

''You must remember that 17 million people are hostages to the West's embargo '' he said. ''Ordinary Iraqis for looking for food and milk. At least our guests are living in nice hotels and rest houses.''

He said the hostages would remain until Baghdad had ''guarantees of no aggression by the United Kingdom and the United States,'' nations he accused of ''beating war themes, without giving any chance for people to have talks.''

Some relatives reacted favorably to the offer, and the British Broadcasting Corp. reported at least 10 wives were willing to go to Baghdad to see their husbands.

Donald Fathers, whose son, Christopher, was in Kuwait on a business trip when Iraq invaded on Aug. 2, said he is actively pursuing a visit and declared disillusionment with the West's stance.

''I do have a feeling, obviously, particularly about my son,'' he said. ''But I do also have a feeling for the tens of thousands of soldiers on both sides, Iraqi, Americans and British, soldiers who will die in this slaughter if the war is going to go ahead. We must stop the war.''

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#90305u1191 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
TARANTO, ITALY (NOV. 1) UPI - Eight navy ships from NATO nations are preparing to sail for the eastern Mediterranean to provide backup support for the multilateral Western operations in the gulf, NATO officials said Thursday.

The small flotilla is composed of five frigates and three destroyers, which since Sept. 17 have been involved in NATO exercises in the Mediterranean in the role of what NATO calls the Naval On-Call Force, Mediterrenean.

After exercises in the central and western Mediterranean the flotilla was previously ordered into the eastern Mediterranean Oct. 12, for further exercises that were scheduled to terminate Oct. 31.

But on Oct. 29 the headquarters of Allied Forces Southern Europe in Naples announced that the eight ships would return to the eastern Mediterranean after a maintenance stop at the naval base at Taranto in southern Italy and a brief port call at Palermo, Sicily.

The NATO command said the extended operations were in response to a request U.S. Secretary of State James Baker made to the NATO Council in September.

In Taranto, Adm. Norman King, chief of General Staff for Allied Naval Forces in Southern Europe, said the new mission in the eastern Mediterranean would continue until Dec. 11.

King said the decision was taken at the request of Baker because of the ''persistent crisis'' in the gulf.

''Their mission will be to demonstrate NATO solidarity, observe and report on shipping traffic of interest, develop the preparation of the allied NATO ships and compensate for the absence of other NATO ships that are deployed in the gulf area,'' he said.

The eight ships are from the navies of the United States, Britain, Italy, Germany, Portugal, Spain, Turkey and Greece. The force is under the command of Capt. George Beserianos of the Greek Navy, NATO said.

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#90305u1205 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - Americans' life expectancy is unlikely to surpass age 85 even if medical science manages to totally wipe out cancer and heart disease, researchers reported Thursday.

The average time a newborn American baby can expect to live has nearly doubled in the past century - rising from 47 years in 1900 to the current level of about 75 years. That increase stemmed mainly from dramatic reductions in the

number of infant deaths and pregnancy-related deaths among women.

But it may be difficult to push that life expectancy much higher because science has not found a way to slow the natural deterioration of the human body.

''Barring major advances in the development and use of life-extending technologies or the alteration of human aging at the molecular level, the period of rapid increases in life expectancy has come to an end,'' a team from University of Chicago and Argonne National Laboratory said in a study published in the journal Science.

In their computer study, the scientists calculated how much current death rates must be cut to boost American's life expectancy to ages 80, 85, 90 and 105.

A life expectancy of 85 would require a reduction in the overall death rate of 43 percent for women and 65 percent for men, the study found. Furthermore, even if both cancer and heart disease were eliminated, the life expectancy would rise only to about 85 for females and 83 for men, researchers said.

''Even if we found a cure for most fatal diseases such as heart disease and cancer, the natural degeneration of the body puts a cap of about 85 years on the average age of death,'' wrote S. Jay Olshanksy and his colleagues.

The latest projection of the upper limits of life expectancy is slightly higher than estimates made in several past studies. However, in a previous study, Ken Manton of Duke University in Durham, N.C., estimated Americans could live to age 99 on the average if all negative lifestyle factors like smoking, alcohol, and high cholesterol were eliminated.

''I believe there is the potential for getting higher life expectancies than they estimate,'' Manton said, noting Japanese females already have an average life expectancy of nearly 82 even though the nation has a high rate of stomach cancer and stroke.

''I think this may make us set our goals too low. If we accept the upper limit as 85, and we don't think reducing cancer and heart disease will make a big difference, we might not make it past 80,'' Manton said.

For Americans to achieve a life expectancy of 105, the Chicago team calculates overall death rates would have to be cut 90 percent from the present level - a task they say is virtually impossible to accomplish without new scientific breakthroughs.

''I think it is a superb study. It is an extremely well thought out analysis of presently available data,'' said Edward Schneider, dean of the Ethel Percy Andrus Gerontology Center at the University of Southern California in Los

Angeles.

Schneider said he is optimistic science will soon uncover new ways of extending life. ''If we were back in the year 1900 and asked people if you thought they'd be able to land a man on the moon, they'd say you'd be luckly to fly a man 100 yards,'' he said.

However, Schneider noted: ''Adding years of life is not the real issue, it's adding years of health.''

The Chicago researchers agreed, saying greater efforts should be made to reduce non-fatal, debilitating ailments associated with aging, like osteoarthritis and hearing loss.

''We need to be more concerned with quality of life for the elderly,'' said Bruce Carnes, a co-author of the study.

Carnes pointed out that even if life expectancy does not rise, the aging of the massive ''baby boom'' population means there will be far more elderly people in the United States in a few decades. Currently, there are about 2 million people over the age of 85 in the United States - a figure expected to increase eight-fold to 16 million by the year 2050.

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MIAMI (NOV. 1) UPI - Burger King Corp. will publish an open letter to the American public next week voicing its support for family values in order to eliminate any confusion about its television advertising policy, a spokeswoman said Thursday. The company outlined its plans for the advertising campaign after a Christian organization Wednesday called off its boycott of the fast-food chain.

"We are going to clarify what we stand for," said Burger King spokeswoman Cori Zywotow. "To eliminate confusion with our customers, we are taking out these ads - any possible confusion as to what Burger King stands for."

The ads will appear Sunday and early next week in newspapers across the nation she said. Zywotow declined to say how much the ad campaign will cost.

Christian Leaders for Responsible Television, or Clear-TV, ended its two-month-old boycott of Burger King restaurants this week after a series a meetings with company officials.

Clear-TV labeled Burger King as a leading sponsor of television violence, sex and anti-Christian bigotry, and promoted its boycott through mailings and other methods. Zywotow said the boycott had no measurable effect on sales.

Rev. Donald Wildmon, the Mississippi minister who is executive director of Clear-TV, said organizers decided to end the boycott because they believe Burger King has adopted a new advertising policy that reflects their concerns. Wildmon declined to say whether Burger King agreed to launch the ad campaign in order to end the boycott.

Burger King, which spends about $215 million a year on all forms of advertising and promotion, welcomed the group's decision to end the boycott, but insisted it did not cave in to any demands made by organizers. "Our policy has not changed," Zywotow said.

Zywotow said the ads appearing next week will state: "Burger King wishes to go on record as supporting traditional American values on television, especially the importance of the family.

"We believe the American people desire television programs that reflect the values they are trying to instill in their children. We pledge to support such programs with our advertising dollars."

When asked for the example of a television program Burger King will not support, Zywotow cited "Saturday Night Live" on NBC. "You certainly don't know because it is live, what will be said," she explained. "The Cosby Show" is an example of television programming Burger King supports, she said.

Four years ago, Burger King was the target of another boycott launched by the Rainforest Action Network in San Francisco. The group objected to Burger King's purchase of beef from Central America because of the threat expanding cattle ranches posed to the region's rain forests. Burger King stopped buying beef from Central America in August 1987 and the boycott was called off.

Zywotow said Burger King is an "easy target" for such boycotts. "Seven (million) to nine million customers come into our restaurants daily," she said.

Wildmon said his group may launch boycotts targeting other corporations early next year, based on results of the group's current effort to track sex, violence, and profanity on television. Wildmon said 1,600 Christian leaders representing a constituency of about 60 million people participate in Clear-TV.

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BOSTON (NOV. 1) UPI - The Trump Shuttle has canceled plans to put into effect what would have been its fourth fare increase in ten months but said Thursday the decision had nothing to do with the Pan Am Shuttle's unusual decision not to follow suit in hiking fares.

As a result, seats on the New York-Boston and New York-Washington flights of both airlines will remain at the record high $139 one-way fares to which they

were recently raised.

The Trump Shuttle fare increases, which were supposed to have gone into effect this week, were a "contingency" drawn up because of rising jet fuel prices, said Joan Fudala, a spokeswoman for the carrier.

"We evaluated it on a day-to-day basis and decided we would not raise the fare at this time," because fuel prices had leveled off, she said. As for a price drop if fuel prices should decline, Fulda said: "I don't know. Some other prices could go up. It's hard to say."

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CHICAGO (NOV. 1) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	77.55	77.62	76.85	77.00	77.45
Feb	74.97	75.05	74.57	74.62	74.90
Apr	75.25	75.30	74.80	74.85	75.22
Jun	73.10	73.15	72.67	72.77	73.10
Aug	71.50	71.70	71.30	71.30	71.52
Oct	71.65	71.65	71.50	71.50	71.65
Dec	72.35	72.35	72.35	72.35	72.27

Est. sales 14,530 contracts; Wednesday 10,141; open interest 67,614 up 474.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Nov	87.60	87.75	87.27	87.35	87.72
Jan	86.00	86.05	85.35	85.45	85.95
Mar	84.12	84.15	83.40	83.50	84.07
Apr	83.02	83.05	83.25	82.45	82.97
May	82.17	82.17	81.70	81.72	82.25
Aug	81.35	81.35	81.10	81.10	81.32
Sep	....	....	80.55	80.55	80.70

Est. sales 1,357 contracts; Wednesday 2,369; open interest 9,089 off 226.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	52.00	52.40	51.60	52.55	51.77
Feb	50.20	50.45	49.70	49.95	49.95
Apr	47.32	47.45	46.77	47.05	47.07
Jun	50.80	51.20	50.60	50.65	50.77
Jly	51.10	51.55	51.10	51.25	51.30
Aug	....	49.70	49.50	49.50	49.50
Oct	44.75	44.85	44.60	44.60	44.70
Dec	44.75	44.85	44.75	44.75	44.72

Est. sales 8,348 contracts; Wednesday 6,114; open interest 24,673 off 29.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	61.15	62.72	61.15	62.45	61.25

Mar 60.65 62.15 60.60 61.45 60.65
May 60.65 62.05 60.45 61.57 60.67
Jly 59.85 61.20 59.70 60.70 59.80
Aug .... 58.70 58.20 58.20 57.70 Est. sales 4,239 contracts; Wednesday 2,369; open interest 9,089 off 226.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 128.26 down 13 cents, 700-850 lbs. 127.70 down 15 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.03 down 16 cents, 700-850 lbs. 118.31 down 25 cents.

Pork carlot trading moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins 3.00-8.00 lower; Boston butts were not fully established; skinned hams mostly steady; seedless bellies 1.50 higher; pork loins 14-18 lb 95.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 102.00, 20-26 lbs. 90.00-96.00, 32 lbs. and up 91.50; bellies 12-14 lbs. 49.50, 14-16 lbs. 49.50, 16-18 lbs. 48.50-49.00, 20-25 lbs. 47.00-48.00.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 1) UPI - Soybeans were higher and grain futures narrowly mixed at the close Thursday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Soybeans made session highs about midday on follow-through buying and short-covering, then gave up some of the gains to profit-taking during the final minutes. Gains in soybeans also were limited by continued harvest activity in the eastern Soybean Belt.

Corn was fractionally higher in relatively light, choppy trading. The lack of farmer selling and a slight pick-up in export business kept a floor under prices. South Korea was in the market for 250,000 tons of corn and Taiwan bought a small quantity.

Traders were on both sides of the wheat market and closing prices were narrowly mixed. Higher prices for soybeans and soybean meal provided underlying support for wheat futures.

Reports that Canada had sold 4 million tons of wheat to the Soviet Union prompted renewed talk on the floor that the United States will be pressured to grant most-favored-nation status to the USSR.

Interior and Gulf basis levels were mixed.

At the close, corn was up 1/4 to 1 1/2, soybeans up 1/4 to 4, wheat up 1/4 to

3/4 and oats off 1/4 to 1/2.

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#90305u1263 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
HOUSTON (NOV. 1) UPI - Jury selection began Thursday the ''Pottygate'' trial of a woman ticketed for using a men's restroom during a concert because the lines outside the women's bathrooms were too long.

Denise Wells, 33, faces a $200 fine if convicted of violating a city ordinance against using a bathroom of the opposite sex in a disruptive manner.

''I don't feel that I'm guilty,'' Wells told reporters. ''I had no choice, I couldn't wait.''

Wells said she went into the men's room after seeing a man take his girlfriend into the men's bathroom. She said she covered her eyes when she went into the restroom at The Summit arena.

As she left the bathroom, a policeman gave her a ticket and threw her out of the July 7 concert, which she had paid $125 to attend.

The media has dubbed the case ''Pottygate'' and has nicknamed Wells the ''bathroom bandit.'' More than 20 reporters and photographers waited outside the municipal court for Wells' arrival Thursday.

Her family passed out mock media passes with a drawing of a toilet under the word ''Pottygate.'' The toilet lid featured the female biological symbol and the words, ''Free Denise Wells.''

Attorney Valorie Davenport said Wells used the men's bathroom only out of necessity.

''I think everybody needs to have certain basic human rights. The men actually are as sympathetic as the women are. They feel that, frankly, when you gotta go, you gotta go,'' Davenport said.

But an attorney for the city of Houston disagreed.

''She violated a city ordinance,'' prosecutor Karl Rosette said. ''We have an ordinance prohibiting a person from entering a restroom of the opposite sex without the permission of the owner or the person in charge, in a manner calculated to cause a disturbance.''

Davenport said Wells did not mean to be disruptive and the charge should be dropped.

''You've got to stand up for something, or sit down for something, as the case

may be,'' a smiling Davenport said.

During jury selection, attorneys asked prospective jurors if any of them had ever gone into the wrong restroom. Out of a jury pool of 30, 10 people said they had mistakenly done so in the past.

Since her arrest, Wells has appeared on the ''Tonight Show'' and has had her story told in ''People'' magazine and ''Ladies Home Journal'' and in columns by Ann Landers and Erma Bombeck.

She reportedly has agreed to appear on the ''Geraldo'' show in early November, whatever the outcome of her trial.

Davenport estimated the trial could take about two days.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Gold futures closed Thursday 160 to 210 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	381.10	....	....	381.50	379.40
Dec	383.00	385.80	381.60	383.10	381.30
Feb	386.80	389.80	385.50	387.00	385.20
Apr	390.50	393.50	389.20	390.50	388.70
Jun	393.80	396.20	393.00	394.30	393.00
Aug	400.00	400.00	398.00	398.00	396.80
Oct	402.10	....	....	402.00	400.80
Dec	406.00	406.00	406.00	406.00	404.80
Feb	410.50	....	....	410.40	409.20
Apr	414.60	....	....	414.50	413.30
Jun	419.10	....	....	419.00	417.80
Aug	423.90	....	....	423.80	422.60

Open interest: 114,534 off 1,110.

Estimated sales: 26,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	379.25	up 4.25
Morning fixing	380.10	up 0.85
Afternoon fixing	380.40	up 1.15

Close	380.25	up 1.00
Paris was closed		
Zurich	380.50	up 2.50
Hong Kong	383.65	up 5.00
New York		
Comex spot close	381.50	up 2.10
Republic cash	381.25	up 1.75
Handy and Harman	380.40	up 0.90

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 381.70 up 0.90 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 400.79 up 0.95 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.256	up 0.076
Republic cash	4.245	up 0.07

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.20 per fine ounce off 0.01

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.225 up 0.015 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.521 up 0.016

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 436.00 off 4.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 536.00 off 4.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 96.00 off 1.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 111.00 off 1.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

-30- 1591

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LONDON (NOV. 1) UPI - Deputy Prime Minister Geoffrey Howe resigned Thursday because of differences with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher over her resistance to the European Community's economic unity strategy, officials said.

A spokesman for Thatcher's office said she accepted the resignation ''more in sorrow than in anger.''

He said Howe - the last member of Thatcher's Cabinet to be with her since the start of her 11-year-old administration - resigned during a 30-minute meeting with Thatcher at Downing Street.

A replacement will be announced soon, he said, adding that the resignation was over Britain's policy on Europe.

David Harris, Howe's personal assistant, refused to discuss Howe's motives, saying all would be clarified in letters the government and Howe would release.

''Of course he is saddened to be leaving the government after such a long period,'' Harris said.

Howe, 64, served under Thatcher as chancellor of the Exchequer and foreign secretary. His appointment as deputy last year was perceived as trying to tame his insider challenges to her foreign policy, which is now conducted by Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd.

The differences surfaced clearly last weekend when he announced he had tried to persuade Thatcher to join the European Exchange Rate Mechanism - a plan under which EC currencies are set under a basket rate - earlier than she wished. Britain joined in late September.

Increasing numbers of Thatcher's Conservative Party have challenged her solitary stance in the EC over the pace of unity, with many fearing that Britain will be left out of the benefits of the unified market.

''It now looks like European policy will be the anvil on which the Thatcher government will be broken,'' said Paddy Ashdown, the pro- European leader of the centrist Liberal Democrat Party. ''It could be a mortal blow to the Thatcher administration and will bring into question her leadership.

''Until she goes, Britain will not have the united policy we need in Europe,'' he said. ''This indicates the wide division, the San Andreas fault, that runs right down the Cabinet table.''

Thatcher believes many of the community's goals are hastily thought out and impractical, obliging member nations to yield too much power to the 12-nation body's headquarters in Brussels.

At a stormy community summit in Rome last weekend, Britain alone refused to sign a communique in which the other members pledged to try to create a European currency by the year 2000.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 1) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.61 1/2	2.65	2.61	2.62	2.62
Mar	2.76	2.79 1/2	2.75	2.76 3/4	2.76 1/2
May	2.84 1/2	2.87	2.83	2.85 1/2	2.85 1/2

Jly	2.87 3/4	2.90 3/4	2.87	2.89 1/4	2.88 1/2
Sep	2.94	2.95	2.93 1/2	2.94 1/2	2.94
Dec	3.06	3.06	3.05 3/4	3.05 3/4	3.05

Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	2.29 1/4	2.32 1/4	2.29 1/4	2.29 3/4	2.29 1/4
Mar	2.39 1/4	2.41 1/2	2.39	2.39 1/4	2.39 1/4
May	2.45 3/4	2.48	2.45	2.46	2.45 1/2
Jly	2.50 1/4	2.52 1/2	2.50	2.50 3/4	2.50
Sep	2.50 3/4	2.51 1/4	2.49	2.49	2.48 3/4
Dec	2.48 1/2	2.51	2.48 1/4	2.49 1/2	2.48 3/4
Mar	2.56	2.56	2.56	2.56	2.54 1/2

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.21 1/2	1.23 1/4	1.21	1.21	1.21 1/4
Mar	1.31 3/4	1.33 1/4	1.31	1.31	1.31 1/2
May	1.39 1/4	1.39 1/4	1.38	1.38	1.38 1/2
Jly	1.45 1/4	1.45 1/2	1.43 3/4	1.43 3/4	1.44
Sep	1.49 3/4	1.49 3/4	1.49 3/4	1.49 3/4	1.50

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	5.92	6.00	5.92	5.96	5.92
Jan	6.08 1/2	6.16 1/4	6.08	6.12 1/2	6.09 1/4
Mar	6.23	6.30 3/4	6.23	6.27	6.24 1/2
May	6.37	6.43	6.36	6.39 1/2	6.36 1/4
Jly	6.46 1/2	6.53 1/4	6.46	6.49 1/4	6.46 1/4
Aug	6.46 1/2	6.51	6.46 1/2	6.48 1/4	6.45 1/2
Sep	6.27	6.29 1/2	6.25	6.25	6.22
Nov	6.15 1/2	6.18 1/2	6.15	6.15 1/2	6.15 1/4
Jan	6.29 1/2	6.29 1/2	6.29	6.27 1/2	6.27

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	21.78	21.82	21.58	21.66	21.78
Jan	22.09	22.10	21.89	21.96	22.08
Mar	22.55	22.55	22.35	22.40	22.53
May	22.93	22.95	22.75	22.85	22.94
Jly	23.20	23.20	23.00	23.10	23.18
Aug	23.15	23.15	23.00	23.04	23.14
Sep	23.10	23.10	22.90	22.95	23.05
Oct	22.60	22.66	22.90	22.65	22.70
Dec	22.55	22.60	22.60	22.50	22.55
Jan	....	....	....	22.45	22.55

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	178.20	181.40	178.20	180.30	178.20
Jan	180.60	183.60	180.60	182.50	180.50
Mar	185.10	187.70	184.60	186.60	185.10
May	187.00	189.90	186.50	188.70	187.40

Jly	189.60	192.30	189.20	191.10	189.60
Aug	190.00	192.00	189.50	191.50	189.50
Sep	188.00	189.00	188.00	188.50	187.40
Oct	184.50	184.80	184.00	184.10	184.40
Dec	184.50	185.00	184.00	184.50	184.70

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 22 to 31 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.40	9.78	9.40	9.73	9.42
May	9.45	9.79	9.45	9.77	9.47
Jly	9.49	9.80	9.47	9.77	9.52
Oct	9.49	9.80	9.49	9.76	9.50
Mar	9.55	9.83	9.55	9.83	9.61

Estimated sales: 15,957 contracts

Open interest: 109,707 up 88

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.80

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday 2 points higher to 50 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.20	23.25	23.20	23.20	23.21
Mar	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.21
May	23.34	23.34	23.31	23.31	23.34
Jly	23.35	23.35	23.31	23.32	23.34
Sep	23.29	....	....	23.30	23.30
Nov	23.11	23.13	23.11	23.13	23.11
Jan	....	....	....	23.19	23.69

Estimated sales: 862 contracts

Open interest: 10,895 up 120

-30- 1197

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(NOV. 1) UPI - Military bands played during an hour-long ceremony in Dover, Delaware, this morning to honor the returning bodies of 11 servicemen killed in Operation Desert Shield. An honor guard of Navy and Marine Corps officials carried the metal coffins one by one off a C-141 Starlifter aircraft and loaded them onto hearses bound for the military mortuary. 10 sailors died two days ago in an accident aboard the U-S-S Iwo Jima and the Marine was killed in a separate vehicle accident.

A top official of the Palestine Liberation Organization said in Amman , Jordan today that Iraq would free all its hostages if it is guaranteed that military action will NOT be used to solve the Persian Gulf crisis. Iraq, meanwhile, drew new fire from U-S and British officials for an offer to allow hostage relatives to visit their loved ones in Iraq and Kuwait for Christmas. The White House says the hostages should be released immediately, and British officials called the proposal ''disgraceful.''

Israel's police minister has announced a re-organization that will include personnel changes. It follows a review of the Israeli investigation into the Temple Mount riots last month. The report criticized police officers for NOT preventing violence from escalating into the deaths of as many as 21 Arabs.

The chairman of the National Democratic Party is accusing Republicans of voter intimidation tactics in North Carolina and possibly Texas. Party Chairman Ron Brown is asking Attorney General Thornburgh to investigate postcards that were sent to voters in the two states. Brown says the mailings are attempts to confuse voters and to discourage them from going to the polls next Tuesday. In North Carolina, Republican Senator Jesse Helms is facing a stiff challenge from liberal black Democrat Harvey Gantt. In Texas, Republican Clayton Williams and Democrat Ann Richards are in a close race for governor.

November 1st is All Saints Day, and in Poland, Christians are marking it by praying over newly scrubbed graves decorated with flowers and candles. In the Philippines, Millions took the day off work to visit cemeteries, lugging flowers, picnic baskets, guitars and casette players in a fiesta-like way of paying homage to their dead relatives. Police forces were placed on alert in the capital to maintain peace and order during the celebrations.

A 32-year-old magician who contended he was a master illusionist and escape artist just like Harry Houdini was killed while attempting a stunt last night. Joseph Burrus was chained and buried in a plastic-and- glass coffin at an amusement park in Fresno, California. But the coffin collapsed when buried under dirt and wet cement, and rescue workers did NOT reach him in time.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - A possible buyer has been found for the Daily News in the seventh day of a crippling strike against the nation's largest tabloid, raising the possibility of a joint publishing venture with the New York Post, it was announced Thursday. A spokesman for the embattled tabloid immediately replied that the paper was not for sale.

Theodore Kheel, an unpaid advisor to nine striking unions at the News, said he has put together a group of people who would like to purchase the News from its current owners, the Tribune Co. of Chicago, and publish it in a joint

arrangement with the New York Post.

"Several American investors are involved, and they do not include Rupert Murdoch," Kheel said, referring to the international press tycoon who sold the Post to realtor Peter Kalikow two years ago. Kalikow responded by saying he was "surprised" by Kheel's announcement but considered it a "resourceful" idea.

"It allows the unions to survive and it allows the News to survive," Kalikow said. "If a joint venture with the News means it will keep the Post operating as a viable entity, then I will not preclude anything. Whatever has to be done will be done." Kalikow said he was not one of the investors organized by Kheel noting that if he were, "It might be fraught with legal complications."

Kheel said the deal he proposed to Tribune Co. President Charles Brumback involves giving News employees 20 percent equity in the paper, a deal similar to that Kalikow reached when he obtained concessions from Post unions.

Lisa Robinson, a spokesman for the Daily News, issued a response, "The Daily News is not for sale," which she repeated three times, adding, "It's that simple."

Meanwhile, copies of the News were hard to come by at midtown Manhattan newsstands and elsewhere. It was an under-the-counter item at some newstands because of union pressure on the vendors.

"The unions don't like to see the paper on the stands," explained a vendor on East 56th Street as he pulled the paper out from under the counter. "It means trouble for us." The paper was being sold by newsboys on some streetcorners for 25 cents, ten cents less than the usual price.

Two people were arrested mid-morning Thursday for lying down in the street at the Daily News building to prevent a newspaper truck from turning onto Second Avenue.

When the pair refused to move when ordered by a policeman, they were given disorderly conduct summonses and taken to the 17th precinct headquarters. They were identified as Anthony Rieber, 32, of 329 Court St., Brooklyn, and Tonice Sgriginoli, 38, of 48 Fourth Place, Brooklyn. Police also reported vandalism at 23rd St. and Eighth Avenue where several bundles of the newspaper were set on fire.

A union leader's announcement Wednesday that a negotiator had been called in to mediate the impassed between Daily News management and editorial workers offered hope the two sides would bridge their differences.

And News management was continuing to meet with other unions in collective bargaining negotiations, and met with the drivers union Wednesday at a federal mediator's office in a session scheduled before the strike began.

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#90305u1320 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
MIAMI (NOV. 1) UPI - A Dade County judge shot and wounded one of two assailants who gained entry into his home Halloween night by wearing gorilla masks and pretending to be trick-or-treaters.

The injured suspect, Jeffery Dale Parnell, 30, was arrested after he showed up at Jackson Memorial Hospital for treatment of a gunshot wound to the stomach, Metro-Dade Police said Thursday. Detectives said he was in good condition.

Parnell and an unidentified companion knocked on the door at Judge Harvey Baxter's home about 9:20 p.m. Wednesday, police said. Both wore gorilla masks.

Elaine Baxter, the judge's wife, had been greeting trick-or-treaters. But when she opened the door and saw the masked men, she questioned them, police said.

One pushed her inside and held her while the other pulled a handgun from his waistband, police said.

The judge heard her scream that one of the intruders had a gun.

''At that moment, Mr. Baxter, who was in the kitchen, retrieved a firearm and walked toward the front door. The subject shot at him and Mr. Baxter returned fire,'' a police report said.

The suspects fled, leaving blood on the pavement as they climbed into a car parked around the corner, police said.

Police were alerted when Parnell showed up at the hospital, and the victims later identified him as one of the men who attacked them.

Parnell was charged with attempted murder, armed burglary, aggravated battery and use of a firearm during commission of a felony. Police said additional charges were pending.

They were still searching Thursday for the other suspect.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 1) UPI - The number of Americans reported to have died from Alzheimer's disease jumped more than 10-fold in eight years, perhaps because of greater awareness of the mind-decaying disorder, federal researchers said Thursday.

The number of reported deaths from Alzheimer's climbed from 857 - or 0.4 per

100,000 people - in 1979 to 11,311 - or 4.2 per 100,000 - in 1987, the last year for which figures were available, the Centers for Disease Control said.

The increase does not necessarily mean the incidence of the incurable disease has risen by that much, the researchers said. The jump may have been caused by more doctors being aware of the ailment, they said.

''The (reported) death rate may have increased because the numbers of people with (Alzheimer's) have increased or because physicians are recognizing the disease more frequently than in the past and writing the diagnosis on death certificates more frequently,'' said Dr. Richard Sun, a CDC epidemiologist.

More studies are being conducted to determine the actual degree of increased incidence and death rate from Alzheimer's, listed as the underlying cause of 46,202 deaths between 1979 and 1987.

An estimated 1.3 million to 1.8 million Americans over age 65 and about 80,000 Americans in their 40s and 50s suffer from Alzheimer's. It kills 120,000 people a year.

Alzheimer's causes progressive memory loss and increasing failure of the higher functions of the mind, such as abstract reasoning. The cause is unknown. There is no cure.

Doctors recommend people who suffer symptoms consult a physician to determine whether they have Alzheimer's or other diseases with similar symptoms.

Harvard Medical School researchers reported last year that 3 percent of the population between 65 and 74 may be afflicted by Alzheimer's. The study said 19 percent of people age 74 to 85 could have the disease and as many as 47 percent of those older than 85 could be Alzheimer's sufferers.

The CDC study, published in the agency's Mobidity and Mortality Weekly Report said reported Alzheimer's deaths rose among women by from 0.3 to 3.9 per 100,000 women during the eight years. The increase among from 0.5 to 4.6 per 100,000. The difference in rates could not be explained, Sun said.

-30- 2491

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Ronald Reagan resents being called the president of the rich but still believes raising taxes is no way to increase revenue, the former president said in an interview released Thursday.

Reagan made the comments in response to questions by Barbara Walters in an interview to air Friday on the ABC News program ''20/20.''

Walters asked Reagan if it bothered him to be called the president of the rich.

''Yes, it bothers me very much,'' Reagan said, ''because it is a completely phony story that has been created by many of the people in the media. And this comes back to the whole tax thing. My reason for reducing taxes - and remember I have a degree in economics - my reason for reducing them is that history reveals that reducing the rates usually results in more revenue for the governemnt, not less. Because it's a stimulant to the economy.''

He added later, ''I can't believe that you can raise taxes without reducing the revenue.''

Walters asked him about President Bush's decision about raising taxes.

''I know how George felt about taxes and I know how he meant it when he said, 'Read my lips on this.' But I can also see ... can he afford to bring a halt to any negotiations on the deficit? So I'm sure that he thought of some things that well, okay, this will be in the negotiations. Now he didn't say he'd give in. He said these would be in the negotiations.''

He also defended himself against critics who call him an indecisive president who was only acting the role, saying they were people who disagreed with his philosophy and ''they were just spilling hot air and talking through their hats.''

He said he was flattered by what some people in this country and abroad have said about giving the United States ''credit for all the things that are happening there in the communist countries and how they're turning to free enterprise and democracy and so forth.''

Walters asked if that was because of what Reagan did.

''Well, it wasn't in spite of what I did,'' he said.

Reagan was asked about the estrangement from his daughter, Patti.

''I don't know whether something began back when suddenly she was faced with having to share us with a brother,'' he said. ''I don't know that. But also I think she was at an age in that wild period of the '60s when youth of our country was off on a tangent from a great many of us adults.

''I think that possibly that could now add to it because some of the things that she says shows that she is on opposite sides from me on a number of beliefs and so forth.''

He recalled an incident when Patti, 3 years old, was sitting in his lap and asked to marry him. Mrs. Reagan signalled he should say yes.

''But I said we'll have to wait, you know, because marriage is for when you

get older.''

As for his relationship with first wife, actress Jane Wyman, he said:

''Well, we haven't seen very much of each other but there were not hard hard feelings ... against each other. At that time it was that she decided that we'd made a mistake and I wasn't the one, and I took it kind of hard.''

Walters asked Reagan how he thought history would remember him.

''Well, I hope that it'll remember me on the basis that when I took office I felt very strongly that our government had grown too officious and imposing too much on the private sector in our society, and that I wanted to see if the American people couldn't get back that pride and that patriotism, that condfidence that they had in our system. And I think they have.''

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(NOV. 1) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $7 to $9 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.40 cent to 2.00 cents a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - unchanged to 2.60 cents a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.04 to 0.24 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.60 to $2.10 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $2.70 to $3.50 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - unchanged to 0.60 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 7.6 to 8.1 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.022 to 0.031 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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(NOV. 1) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed sharply lower in light trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Slightly higher.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1/4 to 1 1/2, soybeans up 1/4 to 4, wheat up 1/4 to 3/4 and oats off 1/4 to 1/2.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90305u1401 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 1) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.42 1/4-2.52 1/4 up 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.87 1/2- 5.98 up 3 1/2 to 4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.17 3/4-2.30 3/4 up 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.32 3/4 up 2 1/2 to 1/2.

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#90305u1423 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, LEBANON (NOV. 1) UPI - The Lebanese like to believe their war-shattered country is full of contradictions, and provided proof Thursday when hundreds turned up for a fashion show in the rubble of the once fashionable St. George Hotel.

The Lebanese designer, Loulwa Abel Baki, chose the setting herself.

The floor was strewn with rubble, dust and pieces of shrapnel. Steel bars

jutted from the badly burned ceiling. Graffiti on the walls marked the passage of various militiamen.

Models in colorful autumn and winter clothes appeared on stage from behind burned out walls of the hotel's lobby, once the most luxurious and popular gathering place for snobbish, wealthy Lebanese and rich foreigners until civil war broke out in 1975.

Abdel Baki elected not to change the setting. Marks of the bitter battle to control the seaside resort area in the early days of the war were preserved.

She also used only candles to light the lobby, a common method that all Beiruties use since power was completely cut off a year ago.

''The designer has a lot of imagination. She used destruction to create an orginal setting,'' said Tamara Jaber, a student of communications at Beirut University College. ''She put us in a surrealistic atmosphere that was very realistic.''

''It's a marvellous idea,'' said Huda Khoury, 45. ''I never thought I would ever return to this place where I spent my best years before the war.''

A French journalist who attended the show expressed astonishment over how Lebanese can adapt easily to states of war or peace.

''It is amazing how they can leave behind them all atrocities they have witnessed and try to maintain a normal life even within the context of war,'' he said. ''They have once again proved they have a passion to live.''

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#90305u1430 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - National Democratic officials charged Thursday that Republicans are engaged in voter intimidation tactics in North Carolina and Texas and they asked Attorney General Richard Thornburgh to investigate.

In a letter to Thornburgh, National Democratic Chairman Ron Brown contended that postcards that had been sent to voters in the two states were attempts to confuse them and discourage them from voting.

Republicans denied any improprieties and while Democratic aides said the North Carolina postcards were clearly sent by the GOP, they were not certain who had financed the effort in Texas.

Both states are the sites of close races. In North Carolina, conservative Republican Sen. Jesse Helms is facing a stiff challenge from liberal black Democrat Harvey Gantt. In Texas, Republican Clayton Williams and Democrat Ann Richards are in a close race for governor.

In North Carolina, state Republican officials said they sent postcards to voters whose addresses appeared to be different from those on other lists obtained by the GOP.

Democrats said the postcards were sent mostly to heavily Democratic areas and contained the warning that it is ''a federal crime, punishable by up to five years in jail, to knowingly give false information about your name, residence or period of residence to an election official.''

Rick Shelby, political director for the Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee, said the Democrats' complaints were ''much ado about nothing'' and said ''ballot integrity programs'' have always been part of the campaigns of both parties.

In Texas, Democrats said postcards were sent to people - mostly elderly blacks - who had requested absentee ballots.

Those postcards urged the people to throw away their absentee ballot and proudly vote in person.

''The problem is that under Texas law, once a voter requests an absentee ballot, the voter cannot vote on Election Day at the polling place, absent going through a special, time-consuming and burdensome exercise to cancel the absentee ballot,'' Brown wrote to Thornburgh.

''These examples raise constitutional and civil rights concerns that require the Department of Justice's prompt attention and immediate efforts to preserve the exercise of the constitutional right to vote,'' Brown added.

Brown based much of his argument on the fact that in 1982 the Republican National Committee signed a federal consent decree agreeing to ''comply with all applicable state and federal laws protecting the rights of duly qualified citizens to vote.''

Asked whether the postcards in North Carolina violated the consent decree, Shelby said those decrees covered only the National Republican Committee and the GOP Senatorial Campaign Committee - ''and do not apply to state parties.''

The Justice Department had no immediate comment on Brown's letter, but Thornburgh said his department would ''vigorously enforce the federal election laws to ensure that this important right is not subverted through intimidation or bribery.''

''Attempts to corrupt the election process are crimes of the highest magnitude '' Thornburgh added. ''The department will deal with such offenses swiftly and sternly.''

The attorney general said 212 federal observers are scheduled to observe polling places in Arizona, New Mexico, North Carolina, South Carolina and Utah on Election Day.

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#90305u1441 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - The market-based interest rate on U.S. Savings Bonds has been increased to 7.19 percent for the next six months from 7.01 percent, the Treasury Department announced Thursday.

The rate, which is changed twice a year on May 1 and Nov. 1, is 85 percent of the average market yield on five-year Treasury notes during the last six months. That average yield was 8.46 percent.

"The new rate will keep Savings Bonds extremely well-positioned during the coming months," said Catalina Villapando, Treasurer of the United States and national director of the savings bond program.

Before Nov. 1, 1982, interest on the bonds, which is exempt from state and municipal taxes, was fixed. With the change to a market-based rate, sales have increased dramatically.

The government offers the Series EE bonds - which are "backed by the full faith and credit of the United States" - to raise cash to help pay its obligations, including interest on the huge national debt.

"For bonds held at least five years, yields at redemption are the average of semiannual market-based rates during the time held, compounded semiannually, or a minimum rate, whichever is greater," the Treasury Department said.

The government guarantees a minimum market-based rate of six percent on the bonds, which are sold through financial institutions as well as a payroll deduction plan in denominations ranging from $50 to $10,000. The purchase price of a savings bond is equal to half of the bond's face value. For example a $100 bond costs $50.

Interest on bonds purchased after Dec. 31, 1989, is also exempt from federal income taxes if the bonds are redeemed for paying tuition at a college, university or technical school.

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#90305u1447 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.75

60 to 89 days 7.90

90 to 119 days 7.73

120 to 149 days 7.70

150 to 179 days 7.65

180 to 270 days 7.60

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.82 - 7.70

Issuers 30 days 7.79

Issuers 90 days 7.79

Issuers 270 days 7.52

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.95

60 to 89 days 8.05

90 to 119 days 8.00

120 to 149 days 8.00

150 to 179 days 8.00

180 days 8.00

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.125 - 8.25

1 month 7.875 - 8.00

3 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

6 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

Year 8.00 - 8.125

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.06 - 7.04

6 months 7.03 - 7.01

1 Year 6.85 - 6.83

Federal Funds: High 8, Low 7 13-16, Close 8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7.692 off 0.024.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90305u1457 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - Hungarian Ambassador Peter Zwack has a dream and in it 50 U.S. Army tank trucks carrying gasoline are lined up on his country's borders ready to deliver fuel to his energy-starved economy.

Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and the resulting dramatic rise in oil prices, coupled with a cut in Soviet oil deliveries, has hurt the economy of Hungary, a fledgling democracy struggling with demands of a free-market system.

Other Eastern European countries like Czechoslovakia and Poland also were hard hit by steep increase in energy prices, making their already Herculean effort of trying to transform their economies much more difficult.

Zwack said Hungary had been paying about $3.5 billion annually to service debt of $20.7 billion and had been attracting thousands of Westerners interested in investing in a stable country throughly aligned with the West.

Then came the Soviet decision to cut oil supplies by 35 percent and the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Saddam Hussein's troops. Hungary was forced to buy oil

on the spot market, which is subject to daily price swings, which after Iraq's aggression mostly swung up. Hungary, which had been paying about $18 a barrel found itself having to meet prices approaching $40 a barrel.

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''The combined loss of all this income is $5.5 billion, plus a terrible drought, which is costing the country another $1 billion a year, and thousands of cattle, which have to be slaughtered,'' Zwack sadi.

To top it off, Budapest was paralyzed last week when taxi and truck drivers struck to protest a 65-percent increase in fuel prices. A government price retreatended the strike, but most expect the problem to resurface as winter approaches.

Zwack and his colleagues from Poland and Czechoslovokia are meeting weekly to devise a campaign to get Washington to back its promotion of democracy with money and maybe some gasoline.

In response to this, Zwack says President Bush has offered a package of $47 million, in credits not grants.

''The United States is mainly acting as a pusher, pushing Western Europe, Japan and Saudi Arabia to help, but the United States, itself, is doing very little,'' Zwack said in an interview.

He understands that the United States is having its own budget problems, but he has an idea to help relieve the short-term emergency.

Germany and Austria provided emergency oil for Hungary and Zwack believes the United States can do the same under an atmosphere devoid of a Warsaw Pact threat by drawing down the petroleum stocks of U.S. military forces based in Europe.

''Imagine the public relations, what it would do for the American image, to have 40 or 50 American Army trucks arrive in Hungary, loaded with gasoline.''

He also thinks it would be worthwhile for the United States to dip into the Strategic Petroleum Reserve as an emergency measure to help the economically distressed countries during the current oil price shock.

For the long term, Zwack said he would like to see a new version of the Marshall Plan, the post-World War II economic recovery program for Europe.

Zwack has argued to the State Department that Hungary deserves special consideration, if only because it began the erosion of the Soviet empire with its ''Goulash'' style of modified communism.

Hungary also started the precipitous collapse of communist rule in East Germany by opening its borders to tens of thousands of East German refugees.

But, he complains that the United States has been slow to offer meaningful economic support to Hungary, and businessmen, while they are looking at possibilities for investing in Hungary tend to be short- sighted. ''They insist on a profit in the first year, but it is usually two or three years before an investment begins to pay off.''

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#90305u1462 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

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#90305u1482 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

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AT&T Company	34	3-4	up	3-4
BCE Inc	32	3-8	up	1-8
Bell Atlantic	52	3-4	up	1-2
BellSouth Corp	53	1-2	up	3-4
Exxon Corp	49	3-4	up	3-4
Ford Motor Co	27	1-4	off	1-2
Genl Electric	52	5-8	up	5-8
General Motors	37		up	1-4
GTE Corp	28	3-4	up	1-2
IBM Corp	107	1-4	up 1	3-4
Mobil Oil Corp	57	3-4	up	7-8
Nynex Corp	68	1-2	up	1-2
Pac Gas & Elec	24		unch	
Pacific Telesis	45	1-4	up	1-4
Phila Electric	16	7-8	up	1-4
Sears Roebuck	25		up	3-8
Southern Co	26	1-4	up	1-8
Sthwestern Bell	54	3-4	up	1-4
US West Inc	37	3-8	up	3-8

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Heavyweight champion Evander Holyfield Thursday appealed to the World Boxing Council to follow its own rules and allow him to defend his title against George Foreman before fighting Mike Tyson.

The Mexican-based WBC wants Holyfield to make his first title defense against Tyson. Holyfield has signed instead to fight 42-year-old Foreman for $20 million in the spring. He said he will fight Tyson later in the year.

Holyfield, 25-0 with 21 knockouts, won the title Oct. 25 with a third-round knockout of Buster Douglas.

''I believe that Foreman and Tyson are both worthy contenders,'' Holyfield said in a statement released by his promoter, Dan Duva. ''I plan to give them both the opportunity to fight for my title in 1991, beginning with Foreman sometime in March or April.''

Under WBC rules, Holyfield would have a year to defend against top- ranked contender Tyson. However, WBC President Jose Sulaiman says Tyson deserves an immediate shot at regaining his title because of the controversy surrounding his championship loss to Douglas. Tyson and his promoter, Don King, claimed Douglas received a long count in the eighth round - two rounds before Douglas knocked out Tyson.

''All I want to receive are the same rights and same respect that is given to any No. 1 contender who wins a world championship,'' said Holyfield, who was

ranked No. 1 for 18 months before fighting for the title.

''I waited patiently for my turn to fight for the heavyweight title and I will not deny any worthy challenger their opportunity to fight me as long as I am champ.

''I believe all boxing fans want one undisputed heavyweight champion and that titles should be won and lost in the ring. I hope that all three sanctioning organizations will cooperate to keep the heavyweight title unified.''

The World Boxing Association and International Boxing Federation joined the WBC before the Douglas-Holyfield bout in calling for the winner to fight Tyson next. The WBA and IBF have since softened their stance, however, and appear willing to sanction a Holyfield-Foreman bout.

Sulaiman says the WBC executive council has voted three times to give Tyson the next shot at its heavyweight championship. He said when Holyfield's promoters officially inform him of their intention to fight Foreman next, the WBC will vote on whether Holyfield will be stripped of his title.

''We have taken a position,'' Sulaiman said by telephone. ''Everybody knew this was the WBC's position. Believe it or not, WBC decisions are made by the executive council, and not myself.''

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#90305u1509 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 1) UPI - Iraq's official news agency says President Saddam is ordering the release of four ailing Americans he calls his ''guests.'' The report says the move follows an appeal by the visiting American-Arab Fellowship for Reconciliation and that the Americans will leave Iraq when the delegation leaves Baghdad.

Private economists have now looked at the latest Commerce Department figures on new construction spending for September. Daryl Delano, with Cahners Economics in Newton, Massachusetts, says the results are- IN HIS WORDS- ''doom and gloom.'' The overall figure dropped two-point-eight percent in September for the worst decline since the last recession in 1982.

A separate report from the National Association of Purchasing Management in New York finds its members reporting that the overall economy declined in October for the first time since December 1982. The index is considered a measurement of manufacturing activity, and it is showing a general slowdown.

Sources at Cape Canaveral say the launch of the shuttle Atlantis may be delayed only one week or so to repair the secret military payload it will carry into orbit. The sources say the prospect now is for a launch try well before Thanksgiving.

An independent study of voter registration figures released today shows that voter turnout next Tuesday is likely to be slightly lower overall than in the 1986 mid-term races. The Committee for the Study of the American Electorate adds that the highest turnout will be in states with very close races.

A poll released by an independent Roman Catholic group that supports the Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion shows that 73 percent of Catholics questioned oppose bishops punishing people who support legal abortion. The poll was conducted by Catholics for a Free Choice.

A union adviser says he has found a possible buyer for the New York Daily News which is in the seventh day of a crippling strike. Labor lawyer Theodore Kheel says he has a group of people who would like to purchase the Daily News and run it in a joint arrangement with the New York Post.

Britain's Deputy Prime Minister Sir Geoffrey Howe resigned today. The move is sparked by differences with Prime Minister Thatcher over her objections to key segments of the European Community's economic unity plan. Howe is the only remaining member of Thatcher's original cabinet 11 years ago.

The Soviet leadership is moving now to prevent what may be an embarrassment later. Moscow is banning anti-government demonstrations and rallies on the November 7th national holiday marking the day Communists first seized power. Only a scaled-down version of the official military parade is being allowed.

The first wave of government-imposed price increases on items ranging from farm machinery to footwear is taking hold in Romania... and is being met with protests from several thousand Romanians blocking the streets of Bucharest. Devaluation of the Romanian currency also took effect today.

The wife of African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela was fined 80 dollars or 10 days in jail today for a guilty plea to a charge of failing to pay unemployment insurance for workers at her fish-and-chips shop. Winnie Mandela's attorney produced a receipt showing that the insurance had been paid.

Police in Toledo, Ohio, say the owner of a carry-out food mart turned the tables on a would-be Halloween-night robber. They say the owner pulled a nine-millimeter hand gun on the robber, ordered him to drop his gun... and then made the would-be hold-up man phone 91 for his own arrest.

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#90305u1510 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 1) UPI - Lockheed Corp., which lost $300 million last year on the now-cancelled P-7A anti-submarine aircraft, has been discussing a possible resumption of the program with the Navy, a company spokesman said Thursday.

"We have been exchanging informal ideas with the Navy about the P-7A or a possible successor aircraft," said James Ragsdale, spokesman for Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Co.

But Ragsdale stressed that the Navy has not yet made a formal "request for proposal" to re-start the P7-A program, which the Navy terminated in July after deciding that Lockheed was not meeting its contractual obligations to build the plane. "We don't know if the Navy is going to have a new version of the plane," Ragsdale said.

Lockheed took a $300 million charge against last year's fourth-quarter earnings because of cost overruns on the $600 million four-year, fixed-price development portion of the program. The company said at the time that changes in the government's requirements for the aircraft, an updated longer-range version of the P-3C patrol plane, had created the cost overrun because the changes had eliminated common technology found on the P-3C.

Under that contract, the first new aircraft would have been delivered in 1994. Lockheed has appealed the Navy's termination of the contract, which it won over Boeing Co. and McDonnell Douglas Corp.

As a practical matter, it may be difficult for the Navy to find another contractor to build a new version of the P-3C. Boeing has a huge order backlog and McDonnell Douglas has been having problems of its own that could make it reluctant to bid on a program that caused Lockheed such a significant financial headache. Additionally, Lockheed has been the principle supplier of the nation's anti-submarine warfare aircraft for the past three decades.

Aerospace analyst Lawrence Harris of Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards of Los Angeles said that the Navy has several options on the P-3C. These include simply upgrading the avionics of the fleet; producing a modernized P-3C that is not as advanced as the P-7A was going to be; resurrecting the P-7A program and possibly calling it something else, and modifying the Lockheed C-130 aircraft.

"My guess at this point would be that the Navy would upgrade the existing fleet," Harris said. "That's the least expensive and least controversial option, even though it does not address the range issue."

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#90305u1519 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks - 10,910,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,889,720,390
Bonds - $3,830,000
1990 to date - $617,819,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2454.95	up	12.62
20 Trans	831.92	up	9.62
15 Utils	215.61	up	2.33
65 Stocks	868.35	up	6.82

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#90305u1529 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Thursday	2454.95	up	12.62	831.92	up	9.62	215.61	up	2.33
Wednesday	2442.08	off	5.69	825.07	off	2.04	210.95	up	2.33
Week ago	2484.16	off	20.05	851.33	off	15.72	209.82	off	0.69
Month ago	2516.83	up	27.47	869.27	off	13.50	204.92	up	2.46
Year ago	2631.56	off	14.34	1192.92	off	13.34	220.07	off	0.38
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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(NOV. 1) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	167.59	up	1.42
ASE Market Value Index	288.90	up	1.11
Dow-Jones Industrial	2454.95	up	12.62

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#90305u1554 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - A hospital stay for Medicare beneficiaries will cost an extra $36 in 1991, with the deductible increasing to $628, the Health Care Financing Administration said Thursday.

The deductible for calendar year 1991 is calculated according to a formula set by law.

Except for the $628 deductible for the first day of inpatient care, Medicare will pay for all necessary inpatient hospital services for stays of up to 60

days. For stays between 61-90 days, Medicare beneficiaries will be responsible for making co-insurance payments of $157 a day. The co-insurance rate is required by law to be one-fourth of the hospital deductible.

If a Medicare beneficiary needs extended care in a skilled nursing facility after hospitalization, Medicare pays for all approved nursing facility services for the first 20 days. For stays between 21-100 days, beneficiaries will be responsible for co-insurance payments of $78.50 in 1991, a $4.50 increase over the 1990 level.

For persons 65 and over who have not earned entitlement to Medicare hospital insurance through employment under the Social Security or Railroad Retirement systems, the law will allow them to purchase hospital insurance coverage for a monthly premium of $177 in 1991.

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#90305u1556 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks	-	159,270,000 shares
1990 to date	-	33,566,306,782
Warrants	-	1,433,800
1990 to date	-	213,325,100

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#90305u1560 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1039.9
Wednesday	1025.5
Week ago	1059.7
Month ago	1086.0
Year ago	1087.7
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1025.5

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#90305u1563 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Thursday	-	$59,910,000
1990 to date	-	$9,338,158,000

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#90305u1567 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 1) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Thursday - 8,568,000
1990 to date - 2,107,226,000

The market closed higher.

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#90305u1574 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - A federal jury Thursday rejected a woman's request for $2.5 million in punitive damages against former heavyweight champ Mike Tyson, who was found guilty one day earlier of grabbing the woman in a midtown disco.

After the verdict was announced, the 24-year-old boxer playfully slapped a $100 bill against his forehead, signifying the amount of money he must pay the woman for his conviction on a single battery charge.

''I'm just happy they saw it as the truth,'' the boxer replied when asked for reaction to verdict.

Tyson was sued originally for $4.5 million by Sandra Miller Reese, who alleged the boxer grabbed her breasts and buttocks Dec. 10, 1988 at Bentley's disco in Manhattan.

Judge Michael Mukasey in U.S. District Court in Manhattan earlier in the week threw out one of her charges asking $1 million for ''inflicting intentional emotional distress.''

And the jury of five women and one man Wednesday found he committed battery against the plaintiff, not assault, and awarded her $100 in compensatory damages.

The jury's decision not to award punitive damages came after a second woman testified Tyson had grabbed her at a Manhattan disco and fondled her.

The testimony by Lori Davis was designed to buttress Reese's charge that Tyson's behavior was not a solitary act but part of a pattern requiring high punitive damages.

Davis, a 31-year-old mental health therapist who now lives in Atlanta, has filed a $7 million damage suit against Tyson in state Supreme Court in Hauppauge.

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#90305u1580 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:
Market Value 288.90 up 1.11

High Technology	287.12	up 0.28
Capital Goods	303.69	off 0.76
Consumer Goods	358.37	up 2.07
Service	611.17	off 0.39
Retail	880.29	up 11.62
Financial	343.09	up 3.04
Natural Resources	225.65	up 1.38
Housing-Const-Land	227.86	off 6.75

There was a gain of 3 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	368.34	off 1.09
Mid Atlantic	379.05	up 3.16
No Central	363.44	off 1.03
So Atlantic	777.23	up 1.38
So Central	290.25	off 0.37
Mountain	106.68	up 1.41
Pacific	316.84	up 0.68
Foreign	222.70	up 1.53

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#90305u1586 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

LIMA, Peru (NOV. 1) UPI - President Alberto Fujimori started a raging controversy with Peru's powerful Catholic Church when he ordered a national birth control program that includes giving out free contraceptive pills and prophylactics.

The Peruvian Episcopalean Conference, the ruling body of catholic bishops in Peru, issued a statement last week that the position of the Catholic Church was outlined by Pope John Paul II, who rejects ''unnatural'' methods of birth control.

The government has destined more than $1 million to finance a program that, starting this month, is intended to make birth control pills and prophylactics available to women across the country free of charge.

A nation of 22.3 million inhabitants, Peru's population is growing at an annual rate of 2.5 percent, according to official figures. On an average, 5.2 children are born to each woman.

Fujimori responded Wednesday to Church criticism of the program by saying that some ecclesiastical sectors had ''medieval opinions and recalcitrant positions'' in being against artificial birth control.

Later in the day, Archbishop Luis Bambaren, head of the Family Commitee of the Bishop's Conference, retorted that ''it is medieval that medicines do not reach those who are sick.''

The Catholic Church, of which 85 percent of the Peruvian population are members, encourages what birth control specialists call the ''rhythm method,'' wherby a couple keeps track of the woman's menstruation cycle and only has intercouse when she is statistically less susceptible to pregnancy.

The Church calls prophylactics and the birth control pill ''artificial'' contraceptive methods because they involve using manmade devices or substances to avoid pregnancy.

Bambaren last week argued that the government's apparent concern for unborn children was surprising while living Peruvian children were dying of hunger.

Fujimori said he considered such arguments ''completely wrong.'' The president said the population growth has nothing to do with economic growth, while poverty in Peru was a function of the economic situation.

Fujimori, a Roman Catholic of Japanese ancestry, also ran into problems with the Peruvian Catholic Church during his campaign in June.

Church officials alleged that a number of protestant Fujimori campaign workers had distributed pamphlets that ''defamed'' the Virgin Mary and the Catholic practice of revering saints as ''fetishistic and pagan.''

Fujimori denied his campaign workers had anything to do with the pamphlets.

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OTTAWA (NOV. 1) UPI - Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, warning that the country is in imminent danger of breaking up, Thursday appointed a special commission to determine if Canadians want to remain a nation.

Mulroney told Parliament the country needs a ''new consensus'' to take it into the 21st century. ''The situation is urgent ... the problem is serious,'' said Mulroney.

He said the country is in danger of ''fracturing along linguistic and regional fault lines'' that have run deep throughout its history.

The 12-member commission, representing labor, native groups, business and cultural groups will hold public forums across the country and present its report next July 1, coinciding with the country's 124th birthday.

It will be preceded, however, by another report on Quebec's future in Canada commissioned by that province's Liberal government shortly after the failure of the Meech Lake constitutional accord aimed at preventing Quebec's secession.

The accord, essentially a constitutional amendment drafted by the federal government, would have granted Quebec special powers to promote and preserve its French language and culture.

It was killed in June when two provinces, Manitoba and Newfoundland, refused to support it.

Recent opinion polls indicate Quebecers are more concerned with the national economy - Canada is in a recession brought on by high interest rates and massive public debt - than with sovereignty.

Nonetheless, the Quebec government hopes the report, due next March, will help wangle additional concessions and powers from Ottawa.

But some consider Mulroney's special commission a ploy to divert attention from the economy and to arrest the Conservative government's dramatic fall in popularity.

According to Mulroney, the catch-all commission will examine Quebec's future in Canada, regional hostilities, western alienation, the distribution of powers among municipal, provincial and federal governments and reform of parliamentary institutions, including the appointed Senate.

It will also examine minority groups and the plight of natives.

''The future of Canada depends on the answers to some very simple questions. Do we all want to live together? What kind of country do we want,'' Mulroney said.

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#90305u1593 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	97,143,216	33 1/4	up 5/8
Samna Corp	(SMNA)	46,002,180	18 1/4	up 7 3/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	40,552,148	63 1/2	off 1/4
Costco Wholesle	(COST)	34,957,904	36 3/8	up 1/8
US Healthcr	(USHC)	32,710,904	23	up 1 3/4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	30,746,356	33 1/2	unch
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	28,947,110	30 1/2	up 1/2
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	24,699,086	47 3/4	up 1/2
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	23,825,926	16	unch
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	22,927,310	30 1/2	off 1/4

Composite Index 144.95 up 0.33

NMS volume 86,340,400 shares.

Advances	719
Declines	747
Unchanged	1,317
Total	2,783

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#90305u1596 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Assets of the nation's 525 money market mutual funds fell by $140.4 million to $415.39 billion in the week ended Wednesday, the Investment Company Institute reported Thursday.

The Washington-based institute said broker-dealer fund assets decreased by $475.9 million to $164.72 billion, assets of general purpose funds rose by $429.7 million to $147.73 billion, and institutional fund assets fell by $94.2 million to $102.94 billion.

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.42 percent, down from 7.45 the previous week, and 30-day simple yields were 7.45 percent, off from 7.46 percent. The average maturity of fund portfolios rose to 47 days from 46.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.86 percent, unchanged; Super-Now accounts, 4.94 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.43 percent, down from 7.46; 1-year CDs, 7.52 percent, down from 7.55; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.63 percent, off from 7.66; and five-year CDs, 7.78 percent, off from 7.79 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.17 percent, down from 8.20 percent the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.67 percent, off from 9.76, while the average rate for a 30- year, fixed-rate mortgage eased to 10.01 percent, down from 10.09 percent.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan fell to 12.10 percent from 12.11 percent last week.

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#90305u1599 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday 4 to 24 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	74.85	74.93	74.50	74.79	75.03
Mar	74.87	75.00	74.55	74.80	74.95
May	75.00	75.15	74.82	75.00	75.13
Jly	75.10	75.10	74.91	75.01	75.05
Oct	68.00	....	....	68.10	68.14
Dec	66.41	66.60	66.30	66.28	66.40
Mar	67.45	67.45	67.40	67.25	67.35

Estimated sales: 5,000 contracts
Open interest: 46,978 up 223
The World spot average: unavailable

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#90305u1606 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	30.50-30.60	30.65-30.70
North Sea Brent	35.65-35.70	35.45-35.50
West Texas Intermed	35.15-35.20	35.20-35.25
Light Louisiana Sweet	36.15-36.25	36.15-36.25
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	98.80-99.30	98.45-98.70
No. 2 Heating oil	88.15-88.65	88.50-88.75
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	91.55-91.80	90.15-90.40
No. 2 Heating oil	87.15-87.40	87.40-87.55

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#90305u1617 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	356.82	208.77	141.01	18.99	304.00
Opening	355.88	208.77	141.43	18.94	303.44
11 a.m.	355.59	208.45	141.47	18.95	303.26

Noon	355.85	208.13	141.54	18.97	303.47
1 p.m.	357.38	209.47	141.82	19.25	304.88
2 p.m.	358.49	210.12	142.30	19.33	305.86
3 p.m.	359.18	211.51	142.54	19.35	306.46
Close	359.80	211.64	142.87	19.40	307.02
Change	up 2.98	up 2.87	up 1.86	up 0.41	up 3.02

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#90305u1636 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.84	off 0.01
10 Public Utils	90.91	up 0.10
10 Industrials	86.78	off 0.11

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#90305u1639 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2441.83	2473.02	2415.59	2454.95	up 12.62
20 Trans	823.22	835.43	813.24	831.92	up 9.62
15 Utils	213.47	216.05	211.83	215.61	up 2.33
65 Stock	862.82	874.17	853.76	869.35	up 6.82

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	17,447,800	17,843,800
Trans	3,393,100	2,668,900
Utils	4,015,600	3,734,700
65 Stock	24,856,500	24,247,400

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	88.84	off 0.01
10 Public Utils	90.91	up 0.10
10 Industrials	86.78	off 0.11

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 127.87 off 0.01.

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(NOV. 1) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	217.10	218.40	214.80	217.85	217.75
Mar	....	....	....	220.00	219.80
Jun	....	....	....	222.30	222.10

Previous day volume: 90 contracts.
Open interest: 1,282 up 13

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	305.80	309.40	302.40	308.45	306.80
Mar	308.45	311.90	305.10	311.00	309.35
Jun	313.80	314.50	308.00	314.00	312.20
Sep	....	317.50	312.00	316.80	315.00

Today's estimated volume: 52,486 contracts.
Open interest: 154,189 up 663

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	166.80	168.70	165.00	168.20	167.30
Mar	168.00	169.50	166.25	169.40	168.50
Jun	....	....	....	170.65	169.75

Open interest: 4,969 off 32

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	515.50	518.50	507.25	517.35	514.85
Dec	517.15	520.25	510.00	519.50	517.00
Jan	519.10	522.50	512.00	521.55	519.00

Estimated volume 3,034 contracts.
Open interest: 7,237 off 120

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - The dollar fell back sharply against the German mark in New York dealings Thursday after the Deutsche Bundesbank's policymaking council raised its key Lombard short-term rate by 1/2 percentage point.

The German central bank's decision was mainly for domestic considerations, to brake borrowing and control inflation related to the reconstruction of former East German regions, but it also reinforced the mark.

"It took people a little off guard," said senior customer dealer John Lyman at the Bank of Tokyo in New York. He said many participants expected the bank to follow up with a hike in its longer-term discount rate.

Higher German interest rates boost the mark because they draw mobile global funds into the currency to benefit from improved returns.

Late in the New York session the dollar was quoted at 1.5045 German marks, off more than one pfennig from 1.5175 marks Wednesday, and at 130.55 Japanese yen, ahead from 130.10 yen the day before.

Lyman said Britain's pound sterling declined but recovered on news of Deputy Prime Minister Sir Geoffrey Howe's resignation over a difference with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher over European economic policy. The pound moved up to $1.9450 from $1.9435.

Lyman said that if the dollar remains relatively firm amid the onslaught of bad news about the U.S. economy, it is mainly because global foreign exchange players are afraid war might break out in the Persian Gulf.

But he said U.S. unemployment data due out Friday morning could be a "litmus test" on the dollar. Serious bad news on jobs could oblige the Federal Reserve to aggressively lower short-term interest rates. Surging joblessness could "validate the sentiment that we've had the (dollar) correction and we're on our way down again," Lyman said.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2730 Swiss francs, off from 1.2855; 5.0435 French francs, down from 5.0825; and 1,127.75 Italian lire, off from 1,137.

In London, the dollar closed lower against most major currencies despite the harsh tone of Persian Gulf exchanges and market sentiment that the dollar may have bottomed out after plunging since late summer.

"The dollar has drifted off a bit," said economist David Smith of Williams de Broe Ltd. "But in the medium term it looks stronger." He said the dollar was hurt by the German Bundesbank's announced hike of the Lombard rate from 8 percent to 8.5 percent.

In London, the pound gained against the dollar when the Treasury denied it would cut interest rates. It ended at $1.9525 vs. $1.9450.

The dollar ended lower in Frankfurt, at 1.5080 German marks against 1.5160, after the Bundesbank rate hike announcement. It also declined in Zurich, to 1.2815 Swiss francs vs. 1.2835.

Currency markets were closed in Paris, Brussels and Milan for the All Saints' Day holiday, and were to resume trading Friday.

In Tokyo, the dollar rose above the 130 yen level for the first time in more than three weeks on a report of official U.S. concern at the dollar's fall.

The report followed U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady's comment Tuesday that he does not welcome a weak dollar, and fueled dollar buying, said Sumitomo Bank assistant general manager Hidehiko Nakagawa.

The dollar closed at 130.70 yen, up 1.35 yen over Wednesday's close of 129.35 yen, the Bank of Japan said. That was the highest closing rate since Oct. 8 when the U.S. unit closed at 130.05 yen.

In Zurich, gold closed higher at $380.50 an ounce against $378, and was also higher in London at $380.25 an ounce vs. $379.25.

Silver was down in Zurich at $4.20 an ounce vs. $4.25. It also fell in London to $4.19 an ounce compared with $4.22.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $381.25 an ounce, up from $379.50 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $381.50 an ounce, up from $379.40.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.245 an ounce, ahead from $4.175. Comex silver closed at $4.256 an ounce, also up from $4.18.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	330.60	up	0.76	339.74	453.14
Industrial	352.88	up	0.25	363.45	438.26
Finance	326.44	up	1.36	333.56	532.31
Insurance	385.29	up	2.75	393.40	533.70
Utility	449.83	up	2.26	463.73	728.79
Bank	235.25	off	1.47	243.88	435.85
Transport	381.32	up	3.20	386.57	473.75

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 144.95 up 0.33

Industrial Index 139.65 up 0.09

NASDAQ-100 Index 345.77 up 0.66

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#90305u1655 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial

issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 345.77 up 0.66.

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(NOV. 1) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 0
New lows 61

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	260	6,449,300
Declines	249	3,182,900
Unchanged	239	1,277,800
Total	748	10,910,000

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#90305u1666 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 1) UPI - Reports of a possible DEA connection to the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 reopened some old wounds and raised new questions about the government's role in the largest criminal investigation ever conducted.

The Justice Department, which has been stung by criticism of its efforts to catch the Pan Am bombers, issued a statement Thursday saying the FBI will look into accusations that a Drug Enforcement Administration informant may have smuggled the bomb aboard the Boeing 747 jumbo jet that exploded over Lockerbie Scotland, killing 270 people.

''While at this time we know of no evidence giving credence to these allegations, it is important to examine these allegations to determine their credibility as soon as possible,'' said Deputy Attorney General William Barr.

''Securing the arrest and conviction of those responsible for this cowardly act is a top priority,'' he said.

But the Justice Department's refusal to immediately dismiss what many consider an old and groundless story has rekindled speculation about the cause of the crash. It also has incited anger among the families of crash victims more than four months after Attorney General Dick Thornburgh said ''significant progress'' has been made in the case.

''The conduct of the DEA is outrageous and inexcusable,'' said Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y. ''They are not replying to these allegations forthrightly, quickly and without undue delay.''

''They've had more than ample time to respond,'' D'Amato said. ''They're just adding to the confusion and they are adding to the general distrust people have as it relates to government.''

NBC and ABC reported Tuesday that Pan Am flights from Frankfurt, West Germany, including Flight 103, had been used several times by an undercover DEA operation to fly informants and suitcases of heroin into Detroit. The flights were part of an elaborate sting operation to snare Middle East drug dealers.

The reports said drug operatives may have uncovered the top-secret operation and retalitated by slipping a bomb in the suitcase of Khalid Jafaar, a Lebanese-American acting as a DEA courier.

Bill Ruzzamenti, a DEA spokesman, said Thursday that the agency is reviewing its files to see if there was any link to the Pan Am flight. ''There's been absolutely nothing that's come up in the review,'' he said.

DEA officials maintain Operation Courier was shut down two months before the Dec. 21, 1988, crash, and a presidential commission on air terrorism concluded last year that there was no evidence the DEA was linked to the bombing.

However, Justice Department officials privately concede it was a public relations gaffe to say the allegations will be investigated rather than issuing a prompt denial. The statements have incited a whole new round of criticism of the department from victims who want to put the crash behind them.

''It's obvious now that there's a rat involved in this whole Pan Am Greek tragedy,'' said Bert Ammerman, president of Victims of Pan Am 103. ''This is a major concession by the government ... that it was directly or indirectly involved in the downing of Flight 103. This is the first time the government has not denied something saying they were involved.''

The latest chapter in the long-running Pan Am saga has rekindled charges of government foot-dragging - a thought particularly unsavory to relatives of crash victims.

Ammerman, whose brother, Tom, died in the crash, said government inaction ''tells me that 270 people on Pan Am Flight 103 are allowable casualties.'' He said he was disturbed that one Justice Department agency, the FBI, would be investigating another, the DEA, and called for a congressional inquiry into the disaster and into how it was handled by the government.

Jim Swire, who represents the families of British victims, said the newest development in the Pan Am case ''reinforces the question as to what may be locked in CIA files.''

He said the government has never fully addressed reports that surfaced last

year suggesting possible CIA and BKA-West German police involvement in the bombing.

There has been no conclusive evidence pinning the bombing on any one person or group, although Middle East political terrorism has long been suspected.

D'Amato, who last year was a member of the air terrorism commission that looked at the Pan Am crash, said he did not believe there was evidence the DEA was involved in the crash. Nevertheless, he said the DEA shot itself in the foot by not responding quickly to the story.

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#90305u1671 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	330.64	327.75	330.60	up	0.76
Industrial	353.17	349.92	352.88	up	0.25
Finance	326.52	323.12	326.44	up	1.36
Insurance	385.29	380.18	385.29	up	2.75
Utility	451.04	446.29	449.83	up	2.26
Bank	237.35	233.70	235.25	off	1.47
Transport	381.32	375.97	381.32	up	3.20

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	144.95	up	0.33
Industrial Index	139.65	up	0.09
NASDAQ-100 Index	345.77	up	0.66

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share	7.51	up	0.02
Volume	86,340,400 shares		
Advances	719		
Declines	747		
Unchanged	1,317		
Total	2,783		

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#90305u1677 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	167.59	165.48	167.59	up 1.42
Industrial	207.24	205.05	207.24	up 1.49
Transport	128.82	127.17	128.82	up 1.57
Utility	89.85	89.09	89.85	up 0.97
Finance	105.22	103.59	105.22	up 1.49

Equivalent to a gain of 25 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 159,270,000 shares.

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#90305u1679 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Ford Motor	2,410,100	27 3/8	off 3/8
Philip Morris	2,329,600	48	up 7/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	2,252,200	28 3/8	up 1/4
Chase Manhatn	2,127,200	10	unch
Schering-Plough	2,019,900	43	off 3/4
Citicorp	1,853,200	11 7/8	up 5/8
Humana Inc	1,716,300	40 1/2	off 1 1/4
Bristol MS	1,664,000	59 1/4	up 3/8
Unisys Corp	1,616,700	2 1/2	up 1/4
Genl Electric	1,501,200	52 3/8	up 3/8
Genl Motor	1,338,500	36 7/8	up 1/8
Morgan J P	1,312,100	38	up 1 3/8
IBM Corp	1,233,900	107 1/4	up 1 3/4
Wisconsin Enrgy	1,201,300	30 3/4	up 7/8
Amer Express	1,196,400	18 3/4	off 1/8

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#90305u1687 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Salomon pwt Mar	598,600	5 7/8	up 1/2
Contl Air Hldgs	472,500	3 1/8	off 1/8
Amdahl Corp	467,200	11 5/8	up 1/4
Salomon pwt May	433,000	4 3/4	up 1/2
Salomon wt93Jan	421,400	17 3/8	up 7/8
Denmark K wt	388,000	18 1/2	up 1 1/8

Paine W Grp wtB	281,100	9 1/4	up	1/2
Echo Bay Mines	272,400	11 3/4	up	3/8
Eksportfinan wt	269,500	9 1/4	up	1/2
Americus DOW pr	264,300	38 1/2	off	1 1/2

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ATLANTA (NOV. 1) UPI - Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan called on local governments Thursday to take children from drug- and alcohol-ravaged families and put them up for adoption - even if it means turning the youngsters over to single parents.

Sullivan said efforts to help the mother and preserve the family should come first, but he made clear his feelings that drug abuse by mothers, and the devastating effects on children before and after birth, justify a harsh response by government.

''We may not agree, but I want you to know that in the head and heart of Louis Sullivan, M.D., substance abuse by a pregnant woman is a serious moral issue '' the secretary said. ''It is an offense against the quality of our life and our civilization.''

Sullivan, an Atlanta native and former president of Morehouse School of Medicine, made his recommendations while speaking to the Georgia General Assembly's Joint Conference on Children of Cocaine and Substance Abuse. The conference of state legislators opened Thursday.

Mothers who abuse drugs or alcohol first need society's help, Sullivan said.

''Drug treatment and supportive services may successfully enable a substance abusing mother to be an effective parent and keep the family together during recovery,'' the secretary said.

However, when mothers fail to stop addictive behavior that threatens their children's health and well-being, society must end her parental rights, and the rights of the father or other family members who allow her behavior to continue.

''We must aggressively intervene, using the law to its fullest extent to protect these children,'' Sullivan said. ''We must be more willing to make these children available to loving, nurturing adoptive parents, including single parents.''

Sullivan said the costs to both society and the child run high, noting that four out of every 10 babies born at Atlanta's inner-city hospital, Grady Memorial, have been exposed to cocaine while in the womb.

He noted that one baby suffering for his mother's cocaine abuse has run up a bill for $450,000 in six months at Grady - a bill that largely will be paid by the taxpayers.

Children of mothers who abuse alcohol or cocaine usually are born with a multitude of defects, including heart and brain damage. The secretary said social costs will only increase as children born to mothers who abused crack cocaine begin to enter the school system, taking with them a host of special educational and emotional needs.

Sullivan did say he is encouraged by data showing marijuana and cocaine use among adults and teens has dropped significantly. He also pointed to statistics showing cocaine-related hospital emergencies dropped in the last quarter of 1989 and the first quarter of 1990.

He cited those statistics as an indicator President Bush's so-called ''War on Drugs'' is working.

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#90305u1708 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (NOV. 1) UPI - The Canadian brewing giant that owns the Montreal Canadiens announced Thursday it will exercise an option to buy an interest in the Toronto Maple Leafs, the Canadiens' long-time hockey arch-rival. However, Molson Cos. Ltd. said it will eventually sell the shares and won't become involved in the day-to-day operation of the Maple Leafs.

Molson owns the Montreal Canadiens, and National Hockey League rules prohibit companies from involvement with more than one team. Molson spokesman Hershell Ezrin said that a stake of about 20 percent of Maple Leaf Gardens Ltd. will be purchased from Harold E. Ballard Ltd. and placed in a trust set up in conjunction with the league.

Ezrin said the company then will dispose of the shares, worth about $17 million at current market prices, in a way most beneficial to Molson shareholders. The purchase option, which became active Thursday, allows Molson to get the shares for $8,500 each.

Molson acquired the option in 1980, in exchange for providing Maple Leafs owner Harold Ballard with financial assistance in his successful attempt to consolidate control of his financial empire. Ballard died earlier this year.

There had been speculation Molson might consider selling the Canadiens and try to take over the Maple Leafs as a marketing tool to gain advantage in the lucrative southern Ontario beer market. But Ezrin said Molson does not plan to sell the Canadiens.

The latest speculation is that Molson may seek to sell its shares to a

friendly buyer and seek to extend its current marketing rights with the Maple Leafs to shut out rival brewer John Labatt Ltd.

Meanwhile, Ballard's son Bill has launched a court battle to gain control of the team. In his lawsuit, Bill Ballard contends he had right of first refusal when his brother Harold Jr. sold his shares to the elder Ballard for $18 million in 1989. If his suit is successful, Bill Ballard will gain control of the Leafs' arena and the team.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (NOV. 1) UPI - Problems with a military satellite aboard the shuttle Atlantis do not appear as serious as first believed and the ship may be ready for launch by Nov. 15, only six days or so behind schedule, sources said Thursday.

Atlantis and its five-man all-military crew were formally cleared Tuesday for blastoff Nov. 9 to carry a top-secret Pentagon spy satellite into orbit. But the Air Force announced an indefinite delay Wednesday, citing problems with the classified payload.

Sources initially said the flight faced a delay of at least a week to 10 days and possibly more than two weeks. Officials who asked not to be named said Thursday, however, the problem did not appear to be as serious as they first believed and that Atlantis may be ready for flight as early as Nov. 15.

In the meantime, engineers are pressing on with preparations to launch both Atlantis and the recently repaired shuttle Columbia as soon as possible. Shuttle program director Robert Crippen said in a statement Thursday that Atlantis - mission STS-38 - still has priority over Columbia.

''At this time, we are continuing to proceed with the schedule to fly STS-38 before (Columbia),'' he said. ''I am optimistic about flying (Columbia) sometime in December.''

Before Atlantis was delayed, Columbia was on track for takeoff around Dec. 1 to kick off a 10-day astronomy mission that has been grounded since May by a series of elusive hydrogen fuel leaks. The repaired shuttle finally passed a fueling test Tuesday without any problems, clearing the way for launch.

Sources who requested anonymity said NASA managers are discussing the possibility of waiving a rule requiring three weeks between shuttle missions so data from one flight can be analyzed before launching the next.

Waiving the rule would raise the possibility of two shuttle launches in less than three weeks, but Crippen said Columbia would not be launched on mission STS-35 until data from Atlantis's flight can be studied.

''A specific target launch date for (Columbia) will not be determined until after the flight readiness review has been conducted and performance data from the STS-38 mission has been analyzed,'' he said.

NASA managers currently are in the final stages of developing a 1991 launch schedule and while the flight sequence appears to be solid, the dates may yet change. Here is a preliminary schedule of major 1991 events:

-March 7: Shuttle Discovery; Payload: Four unclassified Air Force experiments.

-April 11: Shuttle Atlantis; Payload: Gamma Ray Observatory.

-May 7: The new shuttle Endeavour is delivered to the Kennedy Space Center.

-May 16: Shuttle Columbia; Payload: Spacelab science module.

-July 11: Shuttle Discovery; Payload: A NASA Tracking and Data Relay comunications satellite.

-Aug. 4: Columbia is ferried to a Rockwell International facility in Palmdale, Calif., for five months of major modifications.

-Aug. 15: Shuttle Atlantis; Payload: An Air Force Defense Support Program early warning satellite.

-Nov. 14: Shuttle Discovery; Payload: An atmospheric research satellite.

-Dec. 12: Shuttle Atlantis; Payload: A materials processing Spacelab mission.

A final manifest is expected to be announced after new launch dates are set for the upcoming flights of Atlantis and Columbia.

In a two-sentence statement released Wednesday, the Air Force said Atlantis's flight would be delayed ''to resolve anomalies discovered during cargo testing. Details are classified and it's too early to predict a new launch date.''

Because the payload and all other details about the 37th shuttle mission are classified, it was not immediately possible to determine the nature of the problem or whether it involved the satellite or on-board support equipment.

Atlantis originally was scheduled for launch in mid July, but the flight was grounded after a hydrogen leak showed up during a June 29 fueling test. The problem was fixed and NASA managers Tuesday formally cleared the ship for takeoff Nov. 9.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Stocks gained in moderate trading Thursday as investors focused on an improved outlook for interest rates after some weak economic reports.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which lost 5.69 Wednesday, rose 12.62 to close at 2454.95.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index added 1.42 to 167.59. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index jumped 3.02 to 307.02. The price of an average share rose 25 cents.

Advances led declines 890-612 among the 1,983 issues crossing the Big Board tape. Volume totaled 159,270,000 shares, up from the 156,060,000 traded Wednesday.

Analysts said stocks gained on hopes that the Federal Reserve would lower interest rates further after a weak purchasing managers' report Thursday and expected weakness in the employment data for October due out Friday. The Fed dropped short-term rates a 1/4 point after the budget accord was reached.

The U.S. manufacturing economy contracted in October, and for the first time since December 1982 the purchasing managers' index slipped below 44 percent, the National Association of Purchasing Management reported Thursday.

The index slipped to 43.4 percent, its fourth consecutive monthly decline. A reading below 50 generally indicates the manufacturing segment of the economy is experiencing a decline in growth and one below 44 percent indicates the economy as a whole is contracting. The news boosted Treasury bonds, sending their yields lower, which in turn bolstered stocks. Bonds finished up 20/32 on the day.

The purchasing managers' report gave rise to hopes that Friday's employment data would show weakness also, possibly enough to force the Federal Reserve to cut interest rates another notch soon, which also helped stocks gain.

"With the economy slowing and the picture for tomorrow looking like it will be quite bad, bonds rallied and stocks followed suit," said James Andrews, first vice president in charge of institutional trading at Janney Montgomery Scott Inc. in Philadelphia. "The rate picture is beginning to look like it will soften considerably," he said.

"At the beginning of the week, (Fed chairman Alan) Greenspan lowered interest rates 1/4 point, and now with the economy slowing as shown in the purchasing managers, and the jobless rate tomorrow expected to be up 0.2 to 0.3 percent, this will put a lot of pressure on Greenspan to lower rates," Andrews went on. "That will give a nice kick back into the economy."

He said that if the Fed does push rates down further, November could prove to be a lot better month for Wall Street than October was. "We could get a nice rally out of it, Andrews said. "October has always been bad for the market, so with all this we could have a decent move."

On the trading floor, Ford Motor was the most active issue, off 3/8 to 27 3/8 in dividend-related trading. Philip Morris followed, up 7/8 to 48. Fannie Mae was third, up 1/4 to 28 3/8.

Schering-Plough was also active, down 3/4 to 43. It was said to be under pressure partly from a recent campaign by a lawyers' group against the asthma drug Theophylline.

Humana was active as well, falling 1 1/4 to 40 1/2 in what analysts said was a response to negative articles in a Florida newspaper. The company Thursday gave a vote of confidence to its Florida health maintenance organization, which was the subject of the reports.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T rose 3/4 to 34 3/4, IBM rallied 1 3/4 to 107 1/4, Merck gained 5/8 to 77 1/2, and General Electric rose 3/8 to 52 3/8.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 191,519,420 shares, compared with 191,313,860 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices gained in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index added 1.11 to close at 288.90. Advances led declines, 266 to 256, among the 769 issues traded. The price of an average share rose three cents. Composite volume totaled 12,782,500 shares, vs. 10,968,550 traded Wednesday. Salomon's put warrants on London's Financial Times-Stock Exchange 100-share index led the Amex issues, up 1/2 to 5 7/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index gained 0.77 to 330.61.

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(correcting date) NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	107,954,600
Advances	852
Declines	957
Unchanged	2,413
Total	4,222

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(NOV. 1) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	9.42	9.52	8.77
91-day Treasury bills	7.28	7.36	7.72
182-day Treasury bills	7.36	7.51	7.52
1-year Treasury bills	7.31	7.45	7.30
3-year Treasury notes	7.83	7.94	7.87
7-year Treasury notes	8.40	8.51	7.86
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.69	8.78	7.87
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.20	9.30	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.75	9.92	9.12
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.12	9.18	8.91
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.34	9.41	8.88
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.43	9.51	9.10
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.42	9.49	9.08

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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TRENTON, NJ (NOV. 1) UPI - The state Insurance Department unveiled Thursday an industry-funded program to offer rewards to people who turn in car thieves.

Under the Help Eliminate Auto Theft program, or HEAT, citizens who call a department hotline to turn in auto thieves and so-called chop shops where stolen cars are dismantled are eligible for rewards of up to $10,000.

"Auto theft is a big, big business" in New Jersey, said Insurance Commissioner Samuel Fortunato. "It is an illicit business, but it is a big, big business."

Thieves stole 71,039 cars in New Jersey in 1989, an increase of nearly 13,000 vehicles from 1986, including 15,698 in Newark alone, making it the city with the highest per-capita rate of auto theft in the nation.

Nationally, a car is stolen once every 20 seconds and once every 20 minutes in New Jersey, making the state fourth in the nation for auto theft and adding $55 to the cost of the comprehensive portion of an average insurance policy,

Fortunato said. Reducing the rate of auto theft in the state could help reduce that amount, he said.

The initial $45,000 pool of reward money is being put up by three auto insurance trade associations, which may be asked to contribute more money once the original pool is depleted, Fortunato said.

Under the program, citizens who have knowledge of auto theft rings or related activities would call a toll-free hotline to report their information, he said.

The individual could give his or her name, an alias or code number and the local police agency would then be given the information to conduct an investigation, he said.

Decisions about the the size of the reward and who would receive the money would be based on the usefulness of the information, as reported by the police and the amount of property recovered, Fortunato said.

Generally, rewards would be paid only after convictions but "if it is going to be two years (before the trial) the committee might approve the reward earlier " said Lou Parisi, director of the department's fraud division.

The committee that makes those decisions will be made up of insurance industry representatives, he said. The program is modeled on a similar effort in Michigan, which recently celebrated its fifth anniversary.

"Since October of 1985, we have paid out over $660,000 in rewards, and the value of the vehicles recovered is more than $11.2 million," said Suzanne Allen, the administrative assistant at Michigan's pool for high-risk drivers. Tips called into the hotline have resulted in the arrests of 676 suspects and led to the recovery of more than 940 vehicles, she said.

More importantly, the reduction in auto thefts has enabled insurance companies in Michigan to reduce the cost of comprehensive insurance by 7.3 percent in downtown Detroit, by 15.9 percent in the Detroit metropolitan area and by 14 percent in the rest of the state, she said.

At the same time, auto thefts in Michigan have declined from 72,021 in 1985 to 65,297 in 1989, officials said. "We feel our program is working," she said. "Citizens are getting involved and are responding to the fact that auto theft does affect everyone." The toll-free hotline, which will be answered between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, is 1-800-447-HEAT.

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MEXICO CITY (NOV. 1) UPI - President Carlos Salinas de Gortari condemned violence and human rights abuses, and reaffirmed the country's attack on the

drug trade in a heavily heckled state-of-the-nation-address Thursday.

''We are strongly committed to protecting human rights,'' Salinas said before a special session of congress convened in the country's Fine Arts Palace.

In a speech lasting more than two hours, Salinas reviewed the government's work in the last year and the state of the Mexican economy.

Throughout the speech, congressmen from opposition parties interrupted Salinas denouncing electoral fraud and misuse of funds.

Many held up banners with anti-government slogans such as ''Salinas is more hunger and more misery.''

Salinas praised a new electoral law aimed at improving voter registration and voting techniques that was recently pushed through congress by the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, majority.

''Democracy involves the acceptance of pluralism ... Violence is an irrational resource that attacks the strength of the nation,'' he said. ''The new electoral legislation is today a positive law.''

Opposition parties, particularly the center-left Party of Democratic Revolution have condemned the new law, saying it will only raise the number of PRI voters and promote increased electoral fraud by the ruling party.

The PRI has been in power in Mexico since it was formed in 1929.

Opposition party congressmen of both the left and right rose to their feet and disrupted the speech for minutes cheering ''total repudiation of electoral fraud,'' when Salinas announced a program to distribute new voter registration cards.

In upcoming elections in the central state of Mexico, the PRI has been accused of falsifying thousands of voter cards for non-existent residents to justify stuffing ballot boxes.

Opposition parties have also attacked the PRI for electoral fraud in municipal elections last week in the northern border state of Coahuila.

Much of Mexico City was closed off to traffic Thursday. Police and army units cordoned off some 50 north-south blocks and about 35 east- west blcoks surrounding the palace.

Policeman Juan Diaz told United Press International the entire Mexico City police force made up of 16,000 men had been assigned to security. He said 10,000 state police as well as federal police, the army, the marines and national security were brought out for the event.

''There are definitely more than 70,000 security forces taking part in the operation,'' Diaz said.

Salinas reaffirmed the country's commitment to the war on drugs, praising international cooperation, but saying that only Mexicans can fight the drug trade in the country.

He said more than 45 tons of heroin and cocaine, with an approximate street value of $120 billion, were seized in Mexico in 1990. He said 18, 000 people had been arrested this year in connection with drug trafficking and production.

Salinas did not directly address accusations by human rights groups that drug agents regularly violate human rights using torture, disappearances and murder to procure confessions.

The accusations led recently to the removal of the government's anti- drug chief and dismantling of his drug-fighting department.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austral	.000185	.000185	5409.00	5409.00
Australia dlr	.7838	.7831	1.2758	1.2770
Austria schill	.0937	.0937	10.67	10.67
Belgium franc-c	.0320	.0321	31.25	31.17
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0097	.0099	103.31	100.88
Britain pound	1.9440	1.9440	.5144	.5144
Britain 1-mo	1.9344	1.9346	.5170	.5169
Britain 3-mo	1.9175	1.9184	.5215	.5213
Britain 6-mo	1.8959	1.8975	.5275	.5270
Canada dollar	.8587	.8571	1.1645	1.1667
Canada 1-mo	.8555	.8540	1.1689	1.1710
Canada 3-mo	.8495	.8480	1.1772	1.1792
Canada 6-mo	.8418	.8402	1.1880	1.1907
Chile peso-f	.003342	.003348	299.19	298.71
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001880	.001881	531.97	531.50
Denmark krne	.1730	.1726	5.7815	5.7950
Ecudr sucre-z	.001180	.001182	847.28	846.30

Egypt pound	.3640	.3640	2.7474	2.7474
Finlnd mrkka	.2779	.2772	3.5990	3.6080
France franc	.1983	.1969	5.0435	5.0775
France 1-mo	.1980	.1966	5.0512	5.0852
France 3-mo	.1973	.1960	5.0680	5.1017
France 6-mo	.1963	.1950	5.0930	5.1270
Greece drach	.006584	.006572	151.88	152.16
Hollnd guildr	.5896	.5853	1.6961	1.7085
HongKong dlr	.1283	.1283	7.7970	7.7945
India rupee	.0555	.0555	18.01	18.02
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000539	1856.00	1855.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7755	1.7685	0.5632	0.5655
Israel shekel	.5058	.5074	1.9770	1.9710
Italy lira	.000887	.000880	1127.75	1136.00
Japan yen	.007663	.007686	130.50	130.10
Japan 1-mo	.007663	.007688	130.50	130.08
Japan 3-mo	.007665	.007685	130.46	130.13
Japan 6-mo	.007675	.007675	130.30	130.30
Jordan dinar	1.5579	1.5603	.6419	.6409
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000344	.000345	2903.00	2902.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6083	.6151	1.6439	1.6258
Norway krne	.1705	.1697	5.8650	5.8940
Pakistn rupee	.0462	.0464	21.64	21.56
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	428,475	428,475
P'pnes peso-z	.0364	.0364	27.51	27.51
Portugl escud	.007543	.007526	132.57	132.87
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5860	.5865	1.7065	1.7050
S.Africa rand	.3938	.3963	2.5391	2.5236
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010554	.010526	94.75	95.00
Sweden krona	.1781	.1777	5.6155	5.6280
Switzrl franc	.7855	.7788	1.2730	1.2840
Switzrl 1-mo	.7852	.7787	1.2735	1.2842
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7847	.7784	1.2744	1.2847
Switzrl 6-mo	.7836	.7774	1.2762	1.2863
Taiwan dollar	.0373	.0373	26.78	26.78
Turkey lira	.000364	.000364	2747.00	2747.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0204	.0204	49.00	49.07
Germany mark	.6645	.6596	1.5050	1.5161
Germany 1-mo	.6642	.6593	1.5056	1.5167
Germany 3-mo	.6632	.6585	1.5078	1.5187

Germany 6-mo	.6615	.6569	1.5117	1.5222
Yugosl dinar	.0963	.0960	10.38	10.42

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Poland has set June 1, 1991, as the date for starting up a stripped-down version of a stock exchange, a Polish government official said Thursday.

Speaking at a conference on business in Poland, Wieslaw Rozlucki, director of capital markets development for the Ministry of Ownership Transformation, said the exchange, to be located in Warsaw, will operate on a central order book system designed to allow price formation in an orderly manner.

Initially, more speculative forms of trading, such as options and derivative securities markets, will be avoided, he said. Sophisticated market features, such as market-making, also will be delayed until sometime in the future, Rozlucki said.

Establishment of a stock exchange is a key move in Poland's accelerated transformation into a free market economy, he said, noting it will provide a market for the stocks of corporations created through the privatization of state-owned enterprises.

Another ministry official, Waldemar Kuczynski, estimated the market value of 7,000 state enterprises to be privatized at $70 billion to $80 billion, with the 500 largest accounting for about half of that amount.

Under current plans, about 50 percent of these state-owned assets are to be privatized by the end of 1993. After that, privatization will continue at a somewhat slower pace, according to Kuczynski.

Poland's privatization law, enacted in July, calls for state enterprises to be transformed into corporations, with the government the sole shareholder. The stock of these companies then would be sold to investors, both Polish and foreign. In some cases, the shares of new companies would remain in government hands for a number of years, Kuczynski said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday that the

basic U.S. money supply, known as M1, fell $400 million in the latest reporting week. The broader monetary aggregate M2 dropped $4.3 billion, and the broadest measure of all, M3, increased $2.0 billion.

M1, including cash, checking accounts and NOW accounts - money available for immediate spending - slipped to a seasonally adjusted average of $818.8 billion in the week ended Oct. 22, from a revised $819.2 billion the week before.

Over the past 13 weeks, M1 averaged $818.7 billion, up 5.5 percent from where it stood over the previous 13-week period, the central bank said.

The more broadly defined M2 averaged an estimated $3,318.7 billion in the latest week, off from a revised $3,323.0 billion. M2 includes M1 plus passbook savings, small time deposits such as money market deposit accounts, consumer money market mutual funds and other short-term assets.

M3, defined as M2 plus large time deposits, securities repurchase agreements longer than one day at banks and thrifts, and institutional money market funds averaged $4,091.0 billion in the latest week, up from a revised $4,089.4 billion, the Fed said.

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UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 1) UPI - The Peruvian government plans to remove heavy-handed laws that make growing crops other than coca leaves unprofitable for peasants, a Peruvian presidential adviser said Thursday.

Economist Hernando de Soto, a noted advocate of free markets and a close adviser to Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori, said Peru currently produces about 60 percent of the world's coca leaves, the main ingredient in cocaine.

The United States has been pressuring Peru to reduce that production, and has provided the Peruvian armed forces with help in fighting drug gangs.

But last weekend, Fujimori rejected U.S. military help and announced a plan that relies less on law enforcement, and more on helping peasants switch to new crops. About 1 million of Peru's 20 million inhabitants rely on coca for their livelihood.

De Soto told a U.N. committee on economic development that Peruvian peasants don't receive more money for their coca leaves than they would for crops such as coffee or cacao.

But he said current laws make the cultivation of those alternative crops uncertain and unprofitable, largely because peasants don't have legal title on their land and because a cumbersome bureaucracy makes it nearly impossible for

them to get permission to export their products.

''There is no market economy in Peru,'' de Soto said, ''what we have is mercantilism, public enterprise for only a few.''

Coca is the only deregulated crop in Peru because it is illegal, he said.

To prove the point, aides unfurled a computer printout that stretched across the room listing all the steps needed to obtain an export license from the Peruvian government. De Soto estimated that a literate farmer would need 345 days to comply with the regulations. Many Peruvians are illiterate, he pointed out.

De Soto said Peru produces about 27,000 laws a year, with little consultation with the people the laws affect.

The Fujimori plan calls for eliminating many restrictions on free enterprise, and for involving peasants more in the law-making process.

Another key element in the plan is giving legal title to peasants working the land. Only about 10 percent of Peru's farmland is titled, de Soto said, and lack of security over the right to land forces many peasants into the hands of drug lords and discourages them from making the investment needed to switch to other crops.

He said that seven years of study has shown that most local farmers are in agreement about who works the land, and the Fujimori plan would involve giving those farmers legal title. De Soto said that using personal computers, legal title could be given to 90 percent of the untitled land within a month at a modest cost of $4 million.

Besides problems related to coca production, the new Fujimori government faces a powerful guerrilla movement and a collapsing economy.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Atlana wide reciever Andre Rison and San Francisco linebacker Charles Haley Thursday were named the NFC's offensive and defensive players for the month of October by the NFL office.

Rison caught 26 passes for 489 yards and six touchdowns in the Falcons' four October games. He had three 100-yard receiving games, including 172 yards and two touchdowns on nine catches against the 49ers. His 45 catches and 724 receiving yards for the season are NFL highs. Rison came to the Falcons in a trade from Indianapolis, where he caught 52 passes last year as a rookie.

Haley had six sacks for 50 yads in losses, with 23 tackles, three passes

deflected and two fumbles forced in the undefeated 49ers' four October games. He made 11 tackles, two sacks and forced a fumble in a victory over Houston. Haley leads the NFL with nine sacks.

Tampa Bay quarterback Vinny Testaverde and Chicago defensive end Richard Dent were the NFC players of the month for September.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - Pittsburgh quarterback Bubby Brister was named AFC offensive player of the month for October, and Miami's Jeff Cross and John Offerdahl shared defensive honors, the NFL announced Thursday.

Brister completed 60 of 88 passes for 76 yards, 11 touchdowns and only two interceptions during the Steelers' 3-1 October. Brister's passing record was 125.3 for the month. He fired four TDs twice in October, against Denver and the Los Angeles Rams.

Defensive end Cross and linebacker Offerdahl helped the Dolphins to a 3-0 mark during October. Cross had three sacks, 12 tackles and forced a fumble - running his sack total to an AFC high eight for the season. Offerdahl, a four-time Pro Bowl pick, had 17 tackles. Miami has allowed 10 fewer points and 115 fewer yards than in 1989, and leads the NFL in total defense. The Dolphins have not finished No. 1 in team defense since 1972.

Kansas City quarterback Steve DeBerg and Los Angeles Raiders defensive end Greg Townsend were the AFC players of the month for September.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - The former director of Merrill Lynch's World Financial Center project and two others Thursday were charged with defrauding the firm and the Internal Revenue Service.

Albert Young, 61, the project director, and John Serino Jr., 41, both former Merrill Lynch vice presidents and Marvin Weiner, 60, owner of Newark Foods Service Equipment Co., were named in charges filed in U.S. District Court in Manhattan.

They face maximum penalties ranging from Young's 18 months and $1 million in fines to the others' five years and $250,000 in fines.

Roger Hayes, acting U.S. Attorney, said the charges arose from an investigation referred to the office by Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc.

Hayes said Young, of 375 South End Ave., and Hemlock Farms, Hawley, Pa., was

charged with conspiracy to commit mail fraud, commercial bribery, tax fraud and the filing of a false tax return.

Weiner was charged with currency transaction violations and Serino with income tax evasion.

The assistant U.S. Attorney prosecuting the case, Jonathan Liebman, said that according to the court papers, Young supervised his firm's participation in the construction of its headquarters in Battery Park City, and was in a position to authorize or deny payment to contractors.

The charges filed said Young ''solicited and demanded payoffs'' as part of a conspiracy in which he made it clear to contractors they would have to pay him to obtain and maintain contracts with Merrill Lynch.

The court papers filed said Young and the others then concealed the payoffs from the IRS, through phony invoices and funneling payments through a consulting firm he operated.

Liebman said Merrill lynch was deprived of money and property and control over how it spent its money in connection with the World Financial Center,

He said in 1986 Young said his taxable income was $23,969 and owed no taxes when he actually earned $147,118 and owed at least $45,137.

Weiner, according to the prosecutor, helped supply cash, through a construction firm that performed work at the center, for payoffs to Young, among others.

Weiner's food firm issued checks for less than $10,000 to avoid having to file cash transaction reports, Liebman said. The court papers charge Weiner then had ''bags of cash'' delivered to officers of the construction firm.

Serino, with managerial responsibility in connection with the construction, received approximately $50,000 in payoffs from his firm's vendors in 1986, according to Liebman's papers.

Young was released on $250,000 bond, Weiner, $150,000 bond and Serino on his own recognizance. Young and Weiner were to appear Nov. 8 and Serino Nov. 14 for pre trial hearings, Liebman said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 419.05, up 0.54 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90305u1873 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
TORONTO (NOV. 1) UPI - Workers at a Placer Dome Inc. gold mine in Timmins, Ontario, voted to accept a settlement from the company that will end a 5 1/2-month long strike, a union official disclosed Thursday.

The about 600 workers, members of Local 7580 of the United Steelworkers of America, Wednesday voted 75 percent in favor of a tentative settlement reached last week.

USWA's negotiators Homer Seguin and Gerry Loranger said the settlment answers the union's major strike issues.

The deal will boost wages 17.5 percent over three years, reinstate benefits from the date of ratification, protect workers during layoffs and improve early retirement provisions.

But Leo Gerard, Ontario director of the USWA, said in a statement that Placer Dome deserved ''little thanks'' for the settlement.

''There is a certain malevolence in a comany that would use a strike- breaking tactic that had not been seen in the mining industry (in Canada) since the violent strikes of the 1950s,'' Gerard said in refering to the continued use of replacement workers.

Gerard cited the company's use of replacement workers, or scabs, and refusal to deal with early retirment issues for forcing the lengthy strike in the first place.

Placer Dome's mine manager Bob Perry said the company was pleased with the workers' vote on the deal. He said an earlier announced ''renewal plan'' to reduce costs at the mine will now be implemented.

As a result, the mine will operate with 400 workers, cutting 45 staff and 309 hourly jobs from the prestrike workforce.

Placer Dome had threatened to close the mine if the strike was not settled by mid-November.

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#90305u1883 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 1) UPI - Iraq says families of the people it is holding as human shields against a military attack can visit Iraq and Kuwait at Christmas-time. U-S officials condemned the proposal and said the hostages ought to be freed

immediately.

NATO officials say eight Navy ships from the Western alliance nations are preparing to sail from maintenance stops at Taranto, Italy, to the eastern Mediterranean to provide back-up support for Persian Gulf operations.

Ronald Reagan says he still believes lowering taxes is a way to stimulate the economy and he resents being called the president of the rich. The former chief executive spoke in an interview to be aired A-B-C's ''20-20'' tomorrow.

Officials in London says British Deputy Prime Minister Geoffrey Howe resigned today because of differences with Margaret Thatcher over her resistance to the economic unity strategy of the European Community.

Police in Texas say a Houston woman examining Halloween treats collected by her children discovered a needle inside a Baby Ruth candy bar last night. The previous day, a woman in suburban Houston found a sewing needle in a Baby Ruth.

The Veterans Affairs Department is clarifying a change regarding grave markers for veterans. Spokeswoman Jo Ann Webb says veterans will continue to get free standard gravestones but the government NO longer will reimburse survivors who opt for a private grave marker.

A federal court jury in Manhattan today decided AGAINST awarding Sandra Miller Reese punitive damages in her two-point-five-Million- dollar lawsuit against former heavyweight champ Mike Tyson. The jury convicted Tyson of battery but NOT assault and awarded Reese 100 dollars in compensatory damages.

Jury selection began in Houston today in a trial some have dubbed ''pottygate.'' 33-year-old Denise Wells is accused of violating a city ordinance against using a bathroom of the opposite sex. Says Wells- ''I had NO choice. I couldn't wait.''

The news from Beirut these days often is filled with casualty figures and car-bomb details. Today's news is a shade different. Hundreds of Lebanese turned up today for a fashion show in the rubble of a once swank St. George Hotel.

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#90305u1940 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 1) UPI - R. H. Macy & Co. said Thursday it will sell up to $150 million of additional equity to its existing outside investors as part of its previously stated plan to reduce debt and interest expense.

The retailing company said its four largest shareholders - GE Capital, Loews Corp., Mutual Series Fund and Taubman Investment Co. - have committed to purchase a minimum of $100 million of the offer.

Macy's said proceeds of the new equity investment will be used to purchase its subordinated debt, from time to time, in the open market.

''This is another important step in our on-going debt reduction program,'' said Edward S. Finkelstein, chairman and chief executive officer.

''The proceeds should enable us to take advantage of attractive market opportunities to buy back additional subordinated debt,'' he said. ''Moreover, this solid support from our largest shareholders speaks eloquently to their commitment to Macy's future.''

Finkelstein said the company expected to report further steps it is taking to reduce its debt in the coming months.

Despite reports to the contrary, Finkelstein said Macy's had ample liquidity to meet all of its obligations.

''Although the retailing environment is sluggish, we have successfully implemented our plans to reduce inventory, maintain planned gross margins and prudently lower expenses without damaging Macy's ability to serve its customers,'' he said.

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(NOV. 2) UPI -

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Algoma Central				
Reverse Stock Split				
Environmental Svcs of Amer - 1-for-2				
Extra				
ASA Ltd	..	.50	11-26	11-16
Liquidating				
Natl Loan Bank	..	.15	12-13	11-15
Distribution				
Kelly O&G Ptrs Ltd	Q	.45	11-20	11-13
Usual				
AlaTenn Resources Inc	Q	.27 1/2	12-1	11-19
Albany Intl Corp A&B	Q	.08 3/4	1-2	12-11
ASA Ltd	Q	.75	11-26	11-16
Ashland Oil Inc	Q	.25	12-15	11-20
Avon Products Inc	Q	.25	12-3	11-19
Chemed Corp	Q	.49	12-10	11-23
Contel Corp	Q	.27 1/2	11-30	11-15
First Svgs Bancorp	..	.18	11-21	11-12

Foremost Corp Amer	Q	.27	12-14	11-15
Hooper Holmes Inc	Q	.08 1/2	11-23	11-9
Moore Products	Q	.22	12-1	11-14
Natl Sanitary Supply	Q	.04 1/2	12-21	12-3
Northwest Teleprod	Q	.09	1-3	11-30
Owens & Minor Inc	Q	.06 1/2	12-31	12-14
Providence Worcstr RR	S	.05	11-29	11-15
RAC Income Fund Inc	M	.10 1/2	11-30	11-6
Roto-Rooter Inc	Q	.11	12-10	11-23
Scientific-Atlanta	Q	.04	12-12	11-21
Superior Surgical Mfg	Q	.18	11-28	11-15
US Surgical Corp	Q	.12 1/2	12-14	11-29
Vornado Inc	..	2.00	11-21	11-13

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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#90305u1990 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

MASHPEE, MA (NOV. 1) UPI - President Bush, preparing the American people for ''every eventuality,'' said Thursday he ''wants desperately to have a peaceful solution'' to the Persian Gulf crisis but is determined to to turn back Saddam Hussein's aggression.

At the start of a final six-day campaign swing, Bush escalated the rehetoricl war against the Iraqi leader as concern grew over the possibility of hostilities.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters the reason the president is speaking out was that ''if we have to take dramatic action, we want the American people to know why.''

And White House chief of staff John Sununu said, ''We want to prepare the American people for every eventuality,'' but he quickly added the administration still hopes that the matter will be resolved peacefully.

As for negotiations, Fitzwater said, ''We have not changed out position one iota.''

Assuring the Iraqi people that the United States bears no hostility toward them, Bush said:

''Our problem is with Saddam Hussein alone. I want desperately to have a peaceful solution to this problem. We are giving the (U.N.) sanctions time to work, but let this be clear ... there will be no compromise on the stated goals of the United Nations resolutions. None at all.''

''This brutality will not stand,'' he asserted to loud and enthusiastic applause. ''No one is more determined to see this aggression turned back, and

I will not change on this fundamental point of morality,'' he said while campagning in Massachusetts.

And later, at a news conference during a campaign stop in Orlando, Fla., the president said, ''I am not trying to sound the tocsins of war, but I am concerned with the hostages.''

And while stressing that the waiting game in the Persian Gulf region was working against Iraq, he added, ''I don't think the status quo can go on forever and ever.

''The sand is running through the glass. We've got these economic sanctions in place (against Iraq),'' the president said. ''We continue to move force. I think it's important for the American people to know why I'm doing this and I'm going to keep on (informing them) now and after the election.''

Asked about reports of harsh treatment of U.S. hostages in Iraq, Bush said he believed the American people ''are as outraged as I am. ... I don't think (Saddam will) win the humanitarian award for this. I see it as brutal.''

Bush dismissed as a ''ploy'' Iraq's offer to allow U.S. hostages to be visited by their families. ''I think those people should come home to visit their families,'' he said. ''This canard of calling hostages 'guests' is turning off the whole world.''

Fitzwater also greeted Saddam's invitation to the families of the U.S. hostages to visit Iraq during the Christmas-New Year's season with less than yuletide enthusiasm. ''Why doesn't he let the hostages come home?'' he asked rhetorically. ''That would be the best way, or better yet, Thanksgiving.''

While speaking to a partisan audience of several hundred in support of the Massachusetts GOP ticket, Bush said he is grateful for the support of his policies on both sides of the political spectrum.

Tracing the history of the crisis since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2 including Saddam's promise to withdraw his forces, Bush denounced the brutality of the Iraqi leader, and declared, ''Today I am more determined than ever that this aggression will not stand.''

He said that there are 300 innocent American civilians held against their will in Iraq, ''many reportedly staked out as human targets, something Hitler didn't do.''

''Others,'' he said, ''are hiding out.''

''The right of these American citizens are being denied by Iraq's dictator,'' he said. ''We have no argument with the Iraqi people.''

He also spoke of the systematic dismantling of Kuwait by the invading army and likened it to Hitler's dismantling of Poland during World War II.

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#90305u1999 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 1) UPI - U.S. District Court Judge Robert Aguilar was sentenced Thursday to six months in prison for lying to the FBI and disclosing wiretap information to a mobster.

Aguilar, 59, faces almost certain impeachment by Congress unless he resigns his lifetime post. He is only the second federal judge in the last decade to be convicted of a felony and the fourth to be indicted in that time.

Aguilar turned to his attorney Paul Meltzer in stunned relief as the sentence was pronounced. He was could have been sentenced to as much as 27 months in prison.

U.S. District Judge Louis Bechtle also ordered Aguilar to pay a $2, 100 fine and give 1,000 hours of community service upon his release. Bechtle ordered Aguilar to serve his term in the federal facility at Duluth, Minnesota.

Aguilar, a federal judge for 10 years, will remain free without bail, while he appeals his conviction.

Bechtle, brought in from Philadelphia to preside over both Aguilar's trials, noted Aguilar is beginning the process of impeachment, disbarment as a lawyer and that rates a reduction in the sentence.

''It will be a long humiliating and embarrassing process... a punishment is warranted but so is some degree of departure downward (from the eligible 21 month to 27 month term),'' he said.

Meltzer, in urging a reduced sentence said, ''You have a man before you who has been destroyed.''

Aguilar was convicted in August of trying to obstruct justice by lying to the FBI about his role in an alleged conspiracy to influence the criminal case of Teamsters Union embezzler Rudy Tham and disclosing wiretap surveillance to 84-year-old mobster, Abe Chapman.

It was the second trial for Aguilar. The first ended in a deadlocked jury.

He is one of the few Hispanic federal judges in the nation and earned a reputation as a liberal jurist.

He remains a federal judge and will continue to collect his $96,000- a-year salary even though he has agreed not to hear cases. Federal judges are

appointed for life and leave office only through death, retirement or impeachment by Congress.

In 1989, Aguilar became the first judge in the country ever charged with racketeering, a law usually used against suspected mobsters. He was accused of using his judicial office as a criminal enterprise. That count was dropped after jurors deadlocked on the charge in his first trial.

Of the four federal judges indicted in the last decade, Aguilar was only the second convicted. The three others were eventually impeached by Congress.

Aguilar's defense was an attack on the government, accusing federal agents of prosecuting him in retaliation for his liberal, sometimes anti-government, rulings.

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(NOV. 1) UPI - President Bush says he doubts Iraqi President Saddam would ''win any humanitarian of the year award'' for today's offer to allow families to visit hostages in Iraq and Kuwait around Christmas- time. Bush interrupted his campaign swing through Florida this afternoon to meet with reporters in Orlando. He told reporters that- IN HIS WORDS- ''This canard of calling people 'guests' when they're hostages is turning off the whole world.''

The president says French hostages who have been freed indicate that the way Americans are being treated ''is just terrible'' and that Iraq ''staking out people next to what might become military targets is unconscionable.'' Bush says the State Department earlier issued an advisory discouraging Americans from going to Iraq and Kuwait and that the advisory still holds.

November blew into Wyoming and Utah with a blanket of snow... but the new month handed residents of the central and eastern United States another day of gorgeous Indian summer. While snow dusted parts of Yellowstone Park, temperatures rose into the 60's and 70's across the country's mid-section, setting or tying record highs in eight citites.

Grave diggers got to work in Manhattan's Little Italy today, exhuming the 137-year-old remains of a former slave. The dig is beginning a process to determine if Pierre Toussaint will be canonized and perhaps become the first black American saint. Toussaint spent his life caring for the sick and poor... including his former owners.

Federal researchers say the number of Americans reported to have died from Alzheimer's disease jumped more than 10-fold in eight years. They caution that the figures do NOT mean the disease is rampaging, but may mean that there is greater awareness and diagnosis of the mind-decaying disorder. The number of reported deaths from Alzheimer's in 1979 was 857. In 1987, the figure rose to

11-thousand 311. More studies are being conducted to determine the actual degree of increased incidence and death rate from Alzheimer's. What causes it is NOT known. There is NO cure.

A new hike for medicare users. The Health Care Financing Administration says a hospital stay for Medicare beneficiaries will cost them an extra 36 dollars beginning next year because the deductible is rising that much, to 628 dollars. The deductible for calendar year 1991 is calculated according to a formula set by law. Once the deductible is met, Medicare pays for all necessary in-patient hospital services for stays of up to 60 days.

A judge in Dade County, Florida, shot and wounded one of two assailants who gained entry into his home Halloween night by wearing gorilla masks and pretending to be trick-or-treaters. Police say the suspects fled, leaving blood on the pavement as they climbed into a car parked around the corner. The injured suspect was arrested after he showed up at Jackson Memorial Hospital for treatment of a gunshot wound to the stomach. The second is still at large.

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#90305u2079 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 1) UPI - Pathe Communications' oft-delayed $1.36-billion purchase of MGM/UA was completed Thursday in the latest foreign acquisition of a major Hollywood studio.

Dousing months of skepticism that the transaction could be finalized, the companies said that the new entity would be known as MGM-Pathe Communications Co.

Pathe's Italian owner, financier Giancarlo Parretti, who has been the driving force behind the deal, will be chairman and chief executive officer.

Parretti, calling the deal ''historic,'' said: ''Our goal is to make the MGM lion roar again with all the spirit and excitement that implies.''

But analysts believe the new company will have a rough time, since MGM/UA is a shell of its former self, with only a few films in production.

Moreover, the rights to its key asset, the 1,070-title United Artists film library, were sold off to help finance the deal.

''It will take hundreds of millions of dollars to ramp up the studio again and develop a strong motion picture slate,'' said Steven Hill of Sutro & Co. in San Francisco. ''Right now, I'm not sure how strong the company will be.''

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#90305u2104 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, AK (NOV. 1) UPI - A ''guerrilla strike force'' of local oil spill cleanup workers who picked up where Exxon left off collected more than 150 tons of oily debris left by the Exxon after its second year of cleanup, the state of Alaska announced Thursday.

Exxon quit work at the end of summer, claiming it was unsafe to do any more cleanup after Sept. 15 on beaches hit by oil from last year's disastrous 11-million-gallon Exxon Valdez spill.

After Exxon declared its two-year $2-billion cleanup a success and packed up, the state and a dozen local communities hurt by the spill mobilized forces and sent 15 cleanup teams to the despoiled shores of Prince William Sound and the Gulf of Alaska.

The state-sponsored cleanup came to an end Thursday, and state spill coordinator Ernie Piper said the $8 million six-week effort substantially improved the condition of beaches. However, he said some oil still remains.

''We extended the cleanup because the locals are very good at this sort of guerrilla strike force operation,'' Piper said.

The 164-person strike force - about as many cleanup workers as Exxon had on beaches this summer - proved ''really good at finding oil,'' Piper said.

''They're mobile. They're well-disciplined. And they can hit a particular point and finish it off and move off to the next place and that's what makes them most effective,'' he said.

Five Prince William Sound communities - Valdez, Cordova, Whittier, Chenega Bay and Tatitlek - cleaned around salmon spawning streams, scooped up oily sediment and gathered oily debris.

Seven Kodiak Island villages - Larsen Bay, Karluk, Akhiok, Old Harbor, Ouzinkie, Port Lions and Ivanof Bay - scoured the shores around their communities, picking up oily debris they found.

More than 150 tons of oily gravel and cleanup debris - including ''a lot of fresh-looking'' oily mousse - were collected and will be shipped to a hazardous waste landfill in Arlington, Ore., Piper said. He said a bill for all this will be sent to Exxon.

The value of this kind of cleanup, Piper said, is that locals weren't afraid to work past the Exxon quitting date; they knew exactly where to go to find oil; and they went to places that mattered most to their communities.

''I referred to them as a guerrilla army,'' Piper told a news conference, ''and that conjures up visions of a bunch of ragtag peasants out there freelancing. Anybody who knows the history of revolutionary armies and rebel

armies knows that they are the most tightly-disciplined groups around and that's why they succeed.''

The state spill chief said the teams of local workers ran into none of the safety problems Exxon feared. He said Exxon people were ''not used to operating in the kind of conditions and climate that are up here.''

''A lot of them were people from the south, I mean far south, and they were clearly uncomfortable with that,'' he said. ''I'm not going to criticize somebody for being overly cautious in the name of safety, but somebody needed to be out there to do work and our contention was that operations could be conducted safely.''

Alaska Gov. Steve Cowper, who has already called on Exxon to return next year for a third cleanup season, praised the local strike force for playing an important role in the cleanup.

Exxon has said it will wait until next spring, after winter storms have had another chance to work on the remaining oil, before surveying the beaches again and then doing whatever the Coast Guard says must be done.

In March 1989, the Exxon Valdez smashed into well-known Bligh Reef, broke open and spewed crude oil into pristine waters, killing thousands of wild animals, ruining fishing and coating more than 1,000 miles of shoreline with crude oil.

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#90305u2165 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 2) UPI - Pathe Communications' oft-delayed $1.36-billion purchase of MGM/UA was completed Thursday in the latest foreign acquisition of a major Hollywood studio.

Ending months of skepticism that the transaction would ever be finalized, the companies said that the new entity would be known as MGM- Pathe Communications Co.

Pathe's Italian owner, financier Giancarlo Parretti, 49, who has been the driving force behind the deal, will be chairman and chief executive officer.

The sale all but removes from the Hollywood scene Kirk Kerkorian, who has been MGM/UA's controlling shareholder for two decades and has sold and repurchased the assets of the once-great studio time and again, fueling its decline.

Parretti, calling the deal ''historic,'' said: ''Our goal is to make the MGM lion roar again with all the spirit and excitement that implies.''

MGM/UA, descendant of what was once a formidable force in Hollywood, becomes the third major studio in recent years to be acquired by a foreign investor,

following Twentieth Century Fox (controlled by Rupert Murdoch's Australia-based News Corp.) and Columbia Pictures Entertainment (bought about a year ago by Sony Corp. of Japan for $3.4 billion).

''We will continue to develop the kind of product that has made the MGM and UA names legendary for generations, while building on Pathe's global presence,'' Parretti said.

But analysts believe the new company will have a rough time, since MGM/UA is a mere shell of its former self, with only a few films in production and many in Hollywood long hesitant to deal with a company that remained on the sales block for more than two years.

Moreover, the rights to its key asset, the 1,070-title United Artists film library, were sold off to help finance the deal.

''It will take hundreds of millions of dollars to ramp up the studio again and develop a strong motion picture slate,'' said Steven Hill of Sutro & Co. in San Francisco. ''Right now, I'm not sure how strong the company will be.''

To complete the deal, Pathe raised $600 million in equity from a web of European companies - none of which have been identified. Those companies will receive ownership stakes in the new MGM-Pathe.

Most of the rest of the money came from the sale of rights to the UA library, which includes the 16 James Bond films, the ''Pink Panther'' movies, ''Rocky '' ''Rain Man'' and ''One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest.''

Pathe announced two of those deals last week, with about $200 million coming from the sale of domestic television rights to Turner Broadcasting and $125 million coming from the sale of home video rights to Time Warner Inc.

But the complete structure of the deal will probably not be unveiled until the company files documents with the Securities and Exchange Commission in a few more weeks.

''I think everyone is very curious as to the financing, because we're not sure that the new company will be able have enough funds to operate effectively,'' Hill said. ''Of course, not many people thought Parretti could raise the funds to buy the company in the first place.''

Along with the library, the MGM-UA name, and the Leo the Lion logo, the company's assets include film and television production units and a distribution arm.

Kerkorian, who built an empire based on fortunes derived from aviation and Las Vegas casinos, had put the studio up for sale on a number of occasions. A $1.5 billion deal to sell the company to Qintex Australia Ltd. collapsed a year ago.

MGM/UA executives claimed at the annual meeting in January that the company was not for sale. Two months later, Pathe unveiled its offer and said it would close it in June.

But a $650-million financing agreement with Time Warner collapsed, prompting a restructuring of the transaction and a promise to finalize the deal by Oct. 23. That closing date was then delayed three times before being completed on Thursday.

Parretti gained his foothold in Hollywood when he and his partner, Florio Fiorino, bought troubled Cannon Group in 1988 for $200 million. He renamed the company Pathe and hired veteran film executive Alan Ladd Jr. to run the studio.

Much of Pathe's credibility has rested with Ladd, Hill noted. ''Ladd is probably the best thing that the company has going for it right now,'' he said.

Pathe's first major production, a drama called ''Russia House'' with Sean Connery and Michelle Pfeiffer, is scheduled to open around Christmas.

Thursday's announcement said that Fiorini will be chairman of the MGM-Pathe board and that Yoram Globus, who has been co-president of Pathe, will be president and chief operating officer.

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#90305u2235 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 1) UPI - President Bush says the United States is discouraging relatives of hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait from accepting Iraq's offer of entry visas for Christmas-time visits. Bush interrupted his six-day campaign trip for Republican candidates to answer questions from reporters in Orlando, Florida. He called the Iraqi treatment of the hostages in Iraq and Kuwait ''unconscionable'' and said the whole world agrees.

Iraq announced this morning that its Foreign Ministry had told embassies around the world to issue visas to the relatives of any hostages in Iraq or Kuwait. U-S officials said the Iraqis have it all wrong... the hostages should be freed so they can spend Christmas- or better yet, Thanksgiving- with their families. British officials called the Iraqi proposal ''disgraceful,'' and ripped it as a propaganda ploy.

At the same time, Iraq announced that it will free four ailing American hostages. It says the decision came on the request of the American-Arab fellowship for reconciliation, which has representatives visiting Baghdad. Iraq says the four Americans will be allowed to leave with the visitors.

Amnesty International is criticizing Saudi Arabian security personnel for torturing and mistreating hundreds of Yemeni nationals. The international

human rights group says the Saudi action is aimed at isolating Iraq from other friendly Arab countries. Amnesty International says its charge is based on interviews with about 800 people during a visit to Yemen in early October. Amnesty says the Saudis contend there was NOT a ''widespread'' violation but added that officials will investigate the charges.

The Justice Department says the F-B-I will investigate allegations that a Drug Enforcement Administration informant may have smuggled a bomb aboard the Pan Am jetliner that exploded over Lockerbie, Scotland, in 1988. A statement issued in Washington says there is NO evidence currently to lend authority to reports that the D-E-A had an indirect role in the bombing, which killed 270 people.

The F-A-A says a period of severely bumpy air rattled a United Airlines flight from Hong Kong to Seattle today... causing injuries to seven passengers and four flight attendants. The Boeing 747-S-P hit the turbulence about four hours short of Seattle, cruising at 38-thousand feet. It landed safely. A spokesman says the injuries to passengers were minor, but injuries to the flight attendants were ''a little more severe.''

They call it the velvet coffin. A new study says the U-S economy may be headed toward a deeper recession than initially forecast because Americans have become so dependent on debt to maintain comfortable standards of living. The report by the NON-partisan Economic Policy Institute in Washington says the ratio of consumer debt to disposable income is at a post-war high.

An article in the journal Science says there is evidence in Scotland that early animals crawled out of the water and began life on land at least 15-Million years earlier than previously believed. The article says the fossilized remains of two centipedes and one spider-like creature were found in England's famed Ludlow Bone Bed. Scientists report that the fossils indicate that animals roamed on land at least 414-Million years ago.

University of Chicago and Argonne National Laboratory researchers say the period of rapid increases in life expectancy has come to an end. In a report in the journal Science, the scientists say the life expectancy of Americans is NOT likely to surpass 85, even if cancer and heart disease are wiped out. They say science has NOT found a way to slow the natural deterioration of the human body... hence life expectancy is NOT likely to go beyond 85.

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#90305u2245 11/01/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 2) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Atlanta - Named Dean Taylor assistant general manager; named Jim Beauchamp

bench coach, Ned Yost bullpen coach and Phil Niekro manager at Richmond of the International League; assigned Roy Majtyka to club's minor-league system.

Chicago (NL) - Sold contract of outfielder Marvell Wynne to Hanshin Tigers of Japan.

Kansas City - Named Bob Schaefer dugout coach, Adrian Garrett hitting coach and Lynn Jones first-base coach.

Las Vegas (PCL) - Named Jon Matlack pitching coach.

Montreal - Sold contract of pitcher Scott Anderson to Chunichi Dragons of Japan.

San Francisco - Agreed to contract terms with outfielder Rick Leach; declined to exercise 1991 contract option of catcher Terry Kennedy.

Wichita (Texas League) - Named Steve Lubratich manager.

BASKETBALL

Atlanta - Placed forward Alexander Volkov on injured list.

Boston - Placed guards Charles Smith and John Bagley on injured list; released guard Sasha Dordevic.

Cleveland - Waived forward Riley Smith; placed center Milos Babic on injured list.

Denver - Announced retirement of trainer Bob ''Chopper'' Travaglini.

Erie (CBA) - Named Billy Kalbaugh coach.

Houston - Waived guards Byron Dinkins and Roy Marble; placed forwards Buck Johnson and Matt Bullard on injured list.

La Crosse (CBA) - Released guard Ricky Spicer and forward Jeff McFadden.

LA Lakers - Placed forward Irving Thomas on injured list.

New York - Placed guard John Starks and forward Kenny Walker on injured list.

Sacramento - Signed swingman Rick Calloway; placed forward Anthony Bonner on injured list.

San Antonio - Waived forward Mike Mitchell.

COLLEGE

Jacksonville - Suspended basketball center Steve Gilbert indefinitely for missing classes.

HOCKEY

Buffalo - Called up defenseman Brad Miller and right wing Rob Ray from Rochester of American Hockey League.

Hartford - Assigned left wing Mikael Andersson to Springfield of American Hockey League.

Montreal - Announced it will exercise an option to buy an interest in the Toronto Maple Leafs and eventually sell the shares.

Pittsburgh - Assigned defenseman Gord Dineen to Muskegon of International Hockey League.

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#90305u2352 11/01/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 1) UPI - President Bush scoffed at an offer made by Iraq's Saddam Hussein today. Saddam offered visas for families of hostages in Iraq and Kuwait to hold reunions at Christmas. Bush says the hostages should be free to go home to visit with their families. At a news conference in Orlando, Bush also said he did NOT think he was overstating the case by comparing Saddam to Hitler.

Environmental and consumer groups began an advertising campaign today. The groups say President Bush is opposing tougher energy conservation laws while he sends G-I's to the Mideast to protect oil supplies. The ads contend higher federal fuel economy requirements for cars could eliminate the need for Mideast oil.

The Ethyl Corporation has temporarily shelved its effort to introduce a new gasoline additive touted as a way to save energy and reduce pollution. Part of the reason for the delay in producing the additive is a mixed reaction from car-makers. General Motors supported Ethyl additive, Ford had some questions and Chrysler opposed it, saying it hurt catalytic converters.

Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney says a special commission will determine if Canadians want to remain a nation. Mulroney told Parliament today Canada needs a new consensus to take it into the 21st century. He says the country is in imminent danger of breaking up along linguistic and regional lines.

An attack by a gang of Halloween mask-wearing youngsters on 10 homeless people left one person dead and the other nine injured last night in New York. Police

say the attackers crept across a foot-bridge over the East River onto Ward's Island... where they used a meat cleaver, baseball bats and a pipe in the hour-long rampage. The man killed was stomped to death.

The Polish news agency says traces of the cyanide gas used at the Auschwitz concentration camp remain in the walls of the crematorium. That's according to an analysis by Polish scientists released today. An estimated one-and-a-half-Million people... mostly Jews... died in the Nazi concentration camp near Krakow in southern Poland.

A senior Zulu politician was critically injured today in a car bombing in an eastern town of South Africa's troubled Natal province. The blast came shortly after a meeting between President de Klerk and Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi LAY'-zee to discuss the black factional fighting that has rocked Natal and other areas.

A lawyer says fees charged against Jack Ruby's estate included time spent by attorneys helping Congress and the Warren Commission. The heirs of the man who killed J-F-K assassin Lee Harvey Oswald are asking a Dallas County court to force lawyers Marvin Levin and Jules Mayer to turn over Ruby's belongings... including the gun he used to shoot Oswald. The attorneys want to sell the gun... estimated to be worth more than 100-thousand dollars... to recover what they claim are thousands of dollars in UNpaid debts.

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(NOV. 1) UPI - President Bush plans to travel through Election Day. Bush today began six days of campaigning for Republican candidates. His first stop was Massachusetts, where he did NOT mention outgoing Governor Michael Dukakis in public despite their both running for president two years ago. Bush went to Florida later in the day. Tonight, he's in Cincinnati, Ohio.

The United Nations General Assembly elected five new countries to the 15-nation Security Council today. They are... Austria, Belgium, Ecuador, India and Zimbabwe. The new members are NOT expected to change the Security Council's overwhelming support for sanctions against Iraq. That's because they come from the same areas of the world as the members whose terms expired.

A delegation from the European Parliament called for more coordinated activities with the United Nations today. The European parliamentarians say activities overlap in the areas of disarmament, narcotics, refugees and monitoring elections.

Indictments returned in San Diego today name the owner of a ship company with Navy contracts and 10 other executives. They are accused of keeping a Million-dollar over-payment from a Navy contract, looting an employee pension fund... and making illegal campaign contributions to two congressional

candidates. The indictment involves Pacific Ship Repair and Fabrication.

The Minnesota Supreme Court says the Independent-Republican candidate for lieutenant governor, Sharon Clark, canNOT remain on the ballot following the withdrawal of her running-mate. John Grunseth dropped out as a candidate for governor last week in the wake of sexual misconduct charges.

Mexico's president was heckled by opposition lawmakers today as he delivered his state-of-the-nation address in Mexico City. During the speech, Carlos Salinas de Gortari condemned violence and human rights abuses and reaffirmed Mexico's attack on drugs.

Burma's military government has placed new legal restrictions on Buddhist monks. Nine Buddhist sects are being recognized. Many of Burma's dissident monks belong to sects other than those nine. It's against the law for monks to form or join any other sects. Penalties of up to three years in prison are being threatened for monks who violate the law.

The first black ever commissioned as an officer in the Navy's music program was sworn in today. Musician Chief Petty Officer George Thompson became a limited duty officer at a ceremony in Seattle. He opened the ceremony himself... conducting a brass ensemble playing ''The Star Spangled Banner.'' Thompson has immediate orders to become a bandmaster in Washington.

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(NOV. 1) UPI - President Bush is in Cincinnati tonight, ending a day of stumping for Republican candidates who will be on ballots Tuesday. He made stops in Massachusetts and Florida earlier in the day. The president plans to campaign for the G-O-P candidates right through Election Day.

Former President Reagan is critical of the tax increase Congress passed in its budget and deficit-reduction legislation. In an interview that'll air tomorrow Reagan said he still believes increasing taxes is NOT the way to bring in more revenue. Reagan said raising taxes reduces revenue.

A former Japanese cabinet minister who was stabbed by a mental patient month ago is dead. A Tokyo hospital says he died of heart trouble... although he'd been in a coma since he was stabbed in the neck. The assailant is in custody.

Sources at Cape Canaveral report the shuttle Atlantis may be ready for launch by November 15th. Atlantis had been cleared for lift-off November 9th, but the Air Force announced an indefinite delay Wednesday.

Catholics for Free Choice released a poll today. The group says an overwhelming majority of U-S Catholics reject bishops' efforts to punish or sanction church members who oppose the church's position against abortions.

Peru has an abortion controversy. President Fujimori angered Peru's Catholic Church when he ordered a birth control program that includes giving people free birth-control pills and prophylactics.

The army-backed alliance that won last week's paliamentary elections in Pakistan has nominated its president, Nawaz Sharif, as the next prime minister. Pakistan's new National Assembly is almost sure to confirm Sharif.

Opposition leaders in the Ivory Coast say police are making mass arrests of their supporters. The Ivory Coast opposition claims the ruling party stayed in power in Sunday's election because of fraud.

Security sources in Egypt say a crackdown on extremist Moslem fundamentalists led to another 150 arrests today. A fundamentalist group is blamed for the slaying of the speaker of Egypt's parliament last month.

The jury has been selected for a trial that's being called ''Pottygate.'' A woman is on trial in Houston for using a men's restroom during a concert because the lines outside the women's bathrooms were too long.

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PHOENIX (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Frontier Adjusters of America Inc. (NASDAQ:FRON), one of the largest and fastest growing insurance adjusting networks in the United States, Thursday announced a special dividend of one-half cent per share.

The special dividend will be payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 20, 1990. The special dividend will be paid in one check along with the regular one-cent quarterly dividend.

Frontier president and chief executive officer William J. Rocke said the board of directors declared the special dividend as a result of the company's continued across-the-board growth. Following record fiscal 1990 results, Frontier reported significant increases in gross billings, revenue and net income for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to the same quarter a year ago. Frontier has 420 offices in 48 states plus Canada and operates company-owned adjusting businesses in Arizona and Oregon.

''Because of our strong start in the first quarter, the board of directors decided to declare another special dividend to augment our regular quarterly dividend,'' Rocke said. ''When financial results allow, we will continue to consider special dividends as a means of rewarding shareholders.''

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#90306b0019 11/02/1990 ~Business Wire

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Brown Disc Products Co. Inc. has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission its quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, showing an increase in revenue of $240,957 over the same period in the previous year.

This represents an increase of 23 percent due to increased sales of Brown Disc's 3.5-inch products, expanded software duplication services, and stabilized pricing across the company's product lines.

Total costs of goods sold increased from $826,044 in the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, to $932,165 in the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company's gross margin increased from 22 percent to 28 percent as a result of successfully implementing its pricing strategy and improved cost accounting system.

General and administrative expenses decreased $27,535, or 27 percent from the previous year's quarter as a result of management conducting a cost reduction and control plan to monitor discretionary overhead costs.

Selling costs also declined $17,174, or 17 percent, due to decreased travel and promotion costs.

Profit from operations increased by $179,545, or 533 percent due to the increased sales volume, increased gross margin on sales and reduction in operating costs.

Interest expense increased due to the increase in outstanding borrowings for the period. Interest costs are expected to be higher throughout the current fiscal period until borrowings are paid down.

Net income increased $131,784, or 841 percent for the period. Management believes that the company has recovered from the loss sustained during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, and is positioned to improve its competitiveness and profitability in the long term.

The increase in demand for the company's quality software duplication services and the demand for the company's high quality products and other services lead management to expect that the company will maintain its strong earnings trend throughout this fiscal year.

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#90306b0030 11/02/1990 ~Business Wire
SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - National Semiconductor Corp. Friday announced the appointment of David Dahmen as its treasurer.

Dahmen, who has eighteen years of financial and management experience, joined the company in 1979. He most recently served as National Semiconductor's director of financial relations, responsible for interaction between the company and the investment community. Prior to that, he was manager for financial planning.

Before joining National Semiconductor, he held a variety of financial and strategic planning positions, including assignments at International Paper Co. Fibreboard Corp., and Memorex.

He holds a bachelor of science degree in economics from Ohio State University, a master's in business administration from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylania, and a doctorate in business from Golden Gate University.

Dahmen is a resident of Pleasanton, Calif.

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#90306b0040 11/02/1990 ~Business Wire
LOS ANGELES (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - The Marina Group of Companies (MGC) and Abraham Lurie, a longtime Marina del Rey developer, announced Friday that they intend to restructure one of their partnerships.

The restructuring would result in MGC owning nine commercial and residential properties, including hotels, apartments, boat slips, office buildings and retail shopping centers. MGC and Lurie will remain partners in another venture where they are planning a luxury retirement hotel.

''The restructuring will allow MGC to pursue its investment strategies in the marina while working with Mr. Lurie in the Marina Plaza venture,'' said Charles E. Wallace, president of MGC. ''We look forward to our expanded commitment in the marina.''

In 1989, MGC acquired a 49.9 percent interest in both partnerships.

Lurie, a pioneer in the commercial, hotel and residential development of the

marina, indicated that he looks forward to the continued relationship with MGC in the Marina Plaza development. He also noted that the restructuring will give him the opportunity to invest in and pursue other real estate opportunities.

Real Property Management and other entities controlled by Lurie hold interests in other residential and commercial properties.

MGC, with headquarters in Los Angeles, is the California affiliate of a Luxembourg-based fund held by various foreign individuals and led by Sheikh Abdulaziz Al-Ibrahim, a Saudi investor, who has various investments in the United States.

In the transaction, which is subject to final documentation and approvals by the County of Los Angeles and others, MGC will pay cash of approximately $15 million and take the properties, subject to certain secured debt. the transaction is scheduled to be completed over the next several months. MGC does not anticipate that the transaction will directly impact the daily operations of the properties.

CONTACT: Lewis & Associates, Los Angeles
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#90306b0041 11/02/1990 ~Business Wire

TEMPE, AZ (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Arizona Instrument Corp. (NASDAQ:AZIC) Friday reported operating results for the third quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990.

Revenue for the quarter was $2,202,000 compared to $2,053,000 for the same period in 1989. Net loss for the quarter was $206,000, or 9 cents per share, compared to a loss of $610,000, or 26 cents per share for the same quarter last year.

John Hudnall, president and chief executive officer of Arizona Instrument, reported that due to the uncertainties of the currenet economy and a slowdown in purchases by the federal government, the company realized lower revenues for the quarter than anticipated.

However, ''Our Soil Sentry underground systems continue to generate interest and we have been successful in obtaining an increasing number of commitments. We are not losing business -- a large percentage of the work is simply being delayed,'' Hudnall said.

''In the meantime, cost-cutting measures remain in effect, and we continue to look for every opportunity to further reduce expenses.''

Arizona Instrument designs, manufactures and markets microprocessor controlled

analytical instruments for environmental and process control applications.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Siliconix Inc. (NASDAQ:SILIQ), announced that at a hearing held on Nov. 1, the Bankruptcy Court approved the Company's Disclosure Statement describing its amended Plan of Reorganization.

Early next week, the Plan and Disclosure Statement will be sent to creditors and shareholders to solicit their votes to approve the Plan. The Official Creditors' Committee, which represents the Company's institutional lenders, vendors, other trade creditors and Subordinated Debentureholders, has concurred with the Plan, as has the Official Equity Committee.

The Committees are urging all creditors and shareholders to vote for the Plan. Therefore, the Company anticipates that, in early December, a confirmation hearing will be held at which the Court will confirm the Plan of Reorganization. The Company expects that it will thereupon implement the Plan and emerge from the Chapter 11 proceedings by year end.

Under the Plan of Reorganization, AEG Capital Corp., an affiliate of AEG Aktiengesellschaft, will become an 80.1 percent shareholder of the company. In return, AEG will contribute $13 million of cash to the Company and cancel a $2 million secured obligation. The Company's institutional lenders, vendors and trade creditors will receive 82.5 percent of their claims, with 20 percent paid in cash upon Implementation of the Plan and 62.5 percent paid over seven years with interest.

International Rectifier will receive $12.3 million plus interest over an 18-month period (of which $5.8 million will be paid upon Implementation of the Plan) and will grant the Company a royalty-bearing license under the MOSFET patents that were litigated between them. The Subordinated Debentures will receive new debentures maturing in 2005 in an aggregate principal amount equal to 50 percent of the principal and pre-bankruptcy interest owing on the existing Debentures.

The Subordinated Debentureholders will also receive their pro rata share of 7.5 percent of the Company's Common Stock. The current shareholders, other than AEG Capital Corp. (which currently owns 38.3 percent of the outstanding Common Stock), will receive their pro rata share of the remaining 12.4 percent of the Common Stock of the Company.

The total number of outstanding shares will be reduced from approximately 13.5 million to 10 million. AEG Aktiengesellschaft will guarantee the seven-year

obligations to senior creditors and the new subordinated debentures to be issued under the Plan of Reorganization.

Implementation of the Plan is contingent upon the satisfaction of certain conditions including AEG's $13 million cash contribution and other conditions that deal primarily with the maximum permissible amounts of indebtedness and fixed charges to be borne by the reorganized corporation.

Siliconix is a leading supplier of advanced semiconductor products for motor controls, power supplies, computer peripherals, telecommunications, instrumentation, and automotive systems. In business for 28 years, Siliconix is a publicly traded company on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Alaska Airlines, a subsidiary of Alaska Air Group Inc. (NYSE, PSE), reported Friday that its October traffic increased 7 percent to 342.9 million revenue passenger miles (RPMs) from the 321.8 million flown a year earlier.

The passenger load factor (the percentage of available seats occupied by fare paying passengers) for the month was 48.7 percent, down from 52.0 percent in October 1989.

Capacity during October was 704.3 million available seat miles (ASMs), 14 percent above the 618.3 million in October 1989. The airline carried 427,300 passengers in October, compared to 401,500 in October 1989.

For the 10 months ended October 1990, revenue passenger miles totaled 3.746 billion, a 12 percent increase from the 3.348 billion recorded a year earlier. The passenger load factor for the 10 months ended October 1990 was 53.6 percent, down from 55.4 percent for the prior year.

Capacity for the 10 months ended October 1990 increased 15 percent to 6.983 billion, up from 6.046 billion in 1989. The airline carried 4,546,000 passengers, compared to 4,156,000 in 1989.

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#90306b0064 11/02/1990 ~Business Wire
RICHMOND, CA (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Tinsley Laboratories, manufacturers of precision optics and optical systems, Friday reported sales for the first nine months of $6,368,451, down 17 percent from sales for the comparable period last year of $7,637,939.

Net income was $429,903, or 48 cents a share, against net income of $571,940, or 64 cents a share for the first three quarters of 1989, a decline of 25 percent.

Third quarter sales of $2,230,834 were below last year's September quarter by 20 percent. Third quarter earnings came to $104,793, or 12 cents a share, against net income for the September quarter a year ago of $201,941, or 23 cents a share.

The company attributed lower operating results for the third quarter to lower than anticipated shipments on two major new programs in the startup phase and to the write off of all current start expense on one of these programs rather than deferral of some of these costs to future follow-on contracts.

Backlog at the end of the September quarter amounted to $7,736,000, down from June backlog of $8,587,000. As the result of new bookings at the start of the fourth quarter, the company said, backlog by the end of October had risen to $9,495,000, the highest level thus far in 1990.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Patrick C. Brooks, president of Argyle Funding Inc., announced the acquisition of all of the outstanding capital stock of Pursuit Capital Corp. by Argyle Funding in exchange for 10.26 million shares of its authorized but unissued common stock.

Pursuit Capital is a closely held development-stage company engaged in providing consulting services in business and financial matters.

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#90306b0081 11/02/1990 ~Business Wire

IRVINE, CALIF. (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Corollary Inc., the leading developer of multiprocessing products for UNIX-based PCs, Friday announced an EISA enhancement to the company's ISA-based (AT-based) 486/smp symmetrical multiprocessor.

The two-board set, called the 486/smp EISA Base CPU, operates with existing Corollary 486/smp and 386/smp boards to create an EISA-compatible system with 2 to 10 CPUs, supporting as many as 256 users.

Corollary will demonstrate the 486/smp EISA Base CPU at Comdex, Nov. 12-16, in booth N1078 at the Sands Expo and Convention Center. Evaluation units are available now to OEMs.

''An EISA version of the Corollary 486/smp is a natural evolution of our multiprocessing technology,'' said George White, president of Corollary. ''EISA is a high-end bus, and multiprocessing defines the high end of PC computing; it's only natural to combine the two in one system.''

The design of the 486/smp EISA Base CPU board set was a collaborative effort, with input provided by several of Corollary's OEM customers.

The two-board set is a 33MHz EISA 486 PC that includes a 256K write-back cache Intel EISA support devices, floppy disk controller, COM1 port, keyboard interface, and standard BIOS. An optional third board -- a paddle interface card -- offers more PC functionality via a COM2 port and mouse and PS/2 keyboard connections.

The new EISA boards are compatible with Corollary's other smp board products, including a memory board configurable with 4 to 16 megabytes of ECC memory.

Corollary develops, manufactures and markets proprietary, high-performance hardware and software products that extend the power of 386- and 486-based PCs running the UNIX operating system. Corollary's multiprocessor hardware and software technology increases processing capacity; its multiport subsystems provide for multiple users. The company developed the multiprocessing version of SCO UNIX, which is marketed by The Santa Cruz Operation as SCO MPX.

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or
Miller Communications, Los Angeles
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DENVER (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - USMX Inc. Friday reported net income of $1.44 million, or 10 cents per share, on revenues of $4.4 million for the third

quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $1.37 million, or 10 cents per share, on revenues of $4.2 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, USMX reported net income of $1.83 million, or 13 cents per share, on revenues of $9.75 million, compared with net income of $2.1 million, or 15 cents per share, on revenues of $11.4 million for the same period last year.

Gold sales in the first nine months of the year totalled 20,618 ounces. USMX received an average of $420 per ounce of gold sold, compared with an average market price of $385.

USMX Inc. is involved in the exploration, development, and production of gold properties in the United States. The company's stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol USMX.

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#90306b0108 11/02/1990 ~Business Wire

DENVER (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Forest Oil Corp. announced Friday that it has reached a settlement agreement with Texas Utilities Fuel Co. (''TUFCO'').

The agreement constitutes the final resolution of a dispute in which Forest claimed damages in excess of $2 million for underpayments for natural gas and TUFCO countersued for alleged overpayments of $26 million. The settlement agreement involves no payments by either party.

The agreement confirms a contract price for Forest of $3.845 per MCF through Nov. 20, 1991, and affects approximately 1.2 million cubic feet per day of Forest's production in Pecos County, Texas.

Forest Oil Corp. is engaged in the exploration for and acquisition, development and production of oil and natural gas. The company's principal producing properties are located offshore Louisiana, and in Texas, Wyoming, Oklahoma, and Alberta, Canada. The company is traded on the NASDAQ/NMS System under the FOIL symbol.

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#90306b0124 11/02/1990 ~Business Wire

DALLAS (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - BancTec Inc. (NASDAQ:BTEC) announced that the company has initiated a program to repurchase shares of its common stock from holders of fewer than 100 shares of BancTec common stock.

In addition the company said that it may, from time to time, purchase additional shares in the over-the-counter market or through privately negotiated transactions.

BancTec Inc. provides computerized systems for processing financial transactions, including checks, remittance advices, sales drafts and giro documents. BancTec designs, manufactures, markets and services products that employ optical character recognition, magnetic ink character recognition and image processing technologies to read, digitize, encode, sort and process financial documents.

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#90306b0130 11/02/1990 ~Business Wire

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Insta Cool Inc. of North America (NASDAQ:KOOL), manufacturers of ultra-rapid freezing equipment for the freezing of human blood plasma, Friday reported results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The first-quarter sales increased to $153,802 from $57,062 for the respective quarter in 1989. However, the net loss for the quarter was 3 cents per share, compared with 2 cents per share in 1989.

The company attributed the increased net loss per share to an increase in research and development expenses associated with newly developed freezers as well as to an increase in marketing expenses associated with the development of foreign markets.

Insta Cool received FDA approval for the freezing of human blood plasma in 1987 and for the crust freezing of chickens in late 1989. The company currently designs, manufactures and markets worldwide ultra-rapid blood plasma freezers utilizing the Insta Cool technology.

Insta Cool customers include the American Red Cross, the Canadian Red Cross, the Korean Red Cross, the French Transfusion Board, the Irish Transfusion Board and major healthcare corporations.

INSTA COOL INC. OF NORTH AMERICA
Condensed Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)
Three Months Ended Sep 30,

	1990	1989
Sales	$153,802	$57,062
Cost of sales	96,270	37,637
Gross profit	57,532	19,425
Expenses:		
General and administrative expense	111,438	117,647
Marketing expense	110,761	49,535
Research and development expense	138,855	57,326
Royalty expense	--	21,250
Interest expense (income) net	85,305	(4,629)
Total expenses	446,359	241,129
Net loss	($388,827)	($221,704)
Net loss per common share	(3 cents)	(2 cents)
Shares used in computing net loss per common share	13,079,000	10,289,000

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PENNSAUKEN, NJ (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Active Capital Inc. (OTC) announced Friday that it has signed an agreement in principle with the city of Warsaw, Poland, for the joint-venture development, construction and operation of no fewer than 12 multilevel parking garages in the city of Warsaw.

Under the terms of the agreement, ownership of the parking garages will be shared by the city of Warsaw and Active Capital. Active Capital will have primary responsibility for financing the parking facilities.

The city of Warsaw and Active Capital will jointly select sites for the development of the parking garages. Those sites will be provided to Active Capital by the city of Warsaw. Active Capital will develop, construct and operate the parking garages.

Active Capital, through its wholly owned subsidiaries, provides diversified goods and services to Eastern Bloc countries.

CONTACT: Active Capital, Pennsauken, Victor Imber, president, (609) 662-3500.

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LAJOLLA, CALIF. (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - CHoPP Computer Corp. continues its research in basic technology aimed at major increases in the performance of

future general purpose computers.

Herbert Sullivan, president with the CHoPP research staff, has completed a technical paper entitled ''Unifying Parallel Processing,'' which describes the CHoPP approaches and shows how the CHoPP concepts can be applied to parallel computer designs in many price categories, including work stations, minicomputers and mainframes.

The implementations described include the CHoPP patented conflict free memory as a crucial component. In large configurations, these implementations have the potential capability of increasing computer speed by hundreds to thousands of times.

The work is being supported, in part, by a contract from the Department of the Navy. CHoPP continues its patent activities, aimed at protecting its intellectual property. In the opinion of management, CHoPP continues to maintain its position at the leading edge of computer technology.

The critical problem for the company continues to be raising adequate capital to commercially exploit its technology.

The company's recent work has been the basis for the creation of multiprocessor systems building blocks. These chips are called CHoPP glue chips for their capability of bringing together CPU chips in an effective parallel processing structure. There are three proposed glue chips.

A task manager chip, a memory chip, and a network chip. These chips are currently being designed and represent all of the unique qualities of the CHoPP architecture.

The company is preparing documentation for a proposed $10/12 million funding of a joint venture licensing company. This company will be owned jointly by CHoPP Computer Corp. and its investment banker, International Investment Group Of Atlanta, Ga.

CHoPP Computer Corp. is a public company traded over the counter in the United States.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA. (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Adobe Systems Inc. announced Friday the formation of the Adobe Japanese Type Advisory Board at the fall general meeting of the Japan Typography Association held in Kanazawa, Japan.

The board is intended to help Adobe strengthen its relationship with influential members of the Japanese graphics arts and type communities, advise Adobe on key trends and requirements unique to Japanese design and typography, and help Adobe better satisfy the typographic needs of Japanese users.

The Japanese board is patterned after the six-member U.S. Adobe-Type Advisory Board, which Adobe created in 1987 to consult with the company on Roman-type-related activities.

''Adobe has established very productive working relationships with Japanese printer and typesetter OEMs, as well as with Morisawa & Co., a leading type vendor in Japan,'' said Ned Bunnell, Director of Typography, Adobe Systems. ''Working with this new board can help us strengthen those relationships and help us keep the strong commitment we've made to meeting the typographic needs of a wide range of Japanese users.''

The Japanese board consists of the following four distinguished Japanese designers and typographers.

Takenobu Igarashi teaches at Tama Art College in Tokyo and at the University of California at Los Angeles, where he received his M.A. degree. He has designed posters and calendars for the New York Museum of Modern Art since 1984.

Tsuyokatsu Kudo is a director of the Japan Typography Association and a member of ATypl (Association de Typographie Internationale). His specialty is editorial and book design, and he is the editorial designer for SD, a Japanese magazine covering architecture.

Shin Matsunaga is a member of the Association Graphic International and a committee member of the Tokyo Art Directors Club. His work is on permanent display at various museums, including the Museum of Modern Art in New York.

Kei Mori is Image Technology Instructor for the Technology Department at Chiba University in Japan, and is an advisor to the German type company URW. He art directs Science magazine, the Japanese version of Scientific American.

Adobe's PostScript language incorporates outline font technology, in which type is generated from character outlines, giving users sharp, smooth type on displays and printers. In an outline font, each character is stored as a mathematical formula. Another technology, called bitmapped fonts, stores each letter as a pattern of dots.

Fonts stored as formulas take up less space in a printer's memory than bitmapped fonts. Outline fonts can be scaled to any size, skewed, or rotated by changing a few variables in the formulas that define the shapes of the characters. Bitmapped fonts, in contrast, suffer in appearance and legibility when scaled to different sizes and can't be easily skewed, rotated or

otherwise transformed.

Adobe's PostScript Level 2 software, with composite font extensions that enable developers to use the PostScript font mechanism to encode very large character sets and handle non-horizontal writing modes, is especially well suited to creating Japanese font software.

The company has already released two Japanese font programs, Ryumin Light KL and Gothic Medium BBB, which are resident on all PostScript Japanese printers and typesetters. Adobe plans to release three more font programs - Morisawa's FutoMinA101, FutoGoB101 and Jun101 - in early 1991.

Adobe Systems Inc. has headquarters in Mountain View, Calif., with offices in Tokyo; Amsterdam, The Netherlands; and London.

Its PostScript software has been licensed by 39 major computer, printer and typesetter companies, including Apple Computer Inc., Digital Equipment Corp., Hewlett-Packard Co., International Business Machines Corp. (IBM), and QMS Inc. in the United States, as well as by Canon Inc., Fujitsu Limited, Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd., NEC Corp., Oki Electric Industry Co. and Ricoh Company Ltd. in Japan.

PostScript printers and typesetters with Japanese language support are currently being sold by Agfa-Gevaert N.V., Apple Computer Japan, Digital Equipment Corp., Fujitsu Limited, Linotype AG, NEC Corp., Oki Electric Industry Co., QMS Inc. and Varityper Inc.

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HONOLULU (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - International Holding Capital Corp. (''International Holding'') (OTC:ISLH) reported earnings results for its first quarter of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991.

International Holding is the holding company for International Savings and Loan Association Ltd. (''International Savings''), Diversified Resources and Investments Inc. (''DRI'') and Hawaiian Foliage and Landscape Inc. (''HFL'').

The consolidated net income of International Holding for the quarter ended Sept. 30 was $306,000, or 25 cents per share, compared to a net income of $546,000 or 50 cents per share, for the comparable period last year.

International Holding's total consolidated assets at Sept. 30 were $621.8 million, compared to $693.9 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Total stockholders' equity at Sept. 30 stood at $31.7 million, compared to $25.6 million at Sept.

30, 1989.

International Savings had net earnings before income taxes of $960,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, an increase of $589,000 from the $371,000 reported in the like quarter last year.

Lionel Tokioka, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of International Holding and president of International Savings, said, ''that the increase in earnings is primarily related to a 59 percent increase in core earnings from the same quarter last year. Net interest income was $3.2 million for the quarter, compared to $2 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30 1989.

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VALENCIA, CA (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Huntway Partners L.P. (NYSE:HWY) Friday said it suffered a nine month net loss of $2.8 million, or 24 cents per unit, compared with last year's restated net loss of $835,000, or 7 cents per unit.

For the nine-month period, revenues rose 32 percent to $86 million, compared with $65.3 million a year ago, due to a 20 percent increase in sales volume and higher prices for refined petroleum products.

The 1990 volume increase of about 740,000 barrels is the result of Huntway's Arizona refinery volume increase of 1.1 million barrels.

Arizona's total more than offset sales volume decreases of some 240,000 barrels in the Southern California market and 130,000 barrels in the Northern California market.

While other petroleum product prices have increased in Northern California, liquid asphalt prices have not risen in that market due to current price practices by major competitors.

These competitors are integrated oil companies, which do not purchase all of their crude oil in the open market.

The third quarter net loss was $3.6 million, or 31 cents per unit, compared with a restated 1989 third quarter net loss of $1 million, or 9 cents per unit.

Third quarter revenues rose 52 percent to $35.7 million, compared with $23.5 million during last year's comparable quarter.

Sales volume increased to 1.7 million barrels from 1.4 million barrels a year

ago.

During 1989, Huntway changed its method of accounting for inventories from the first-in, first-out FIFO method to the last-in, first-out LIFO method.

The effect of the change to LIFO on operating results for the first nine months of 1989 was to reduce the previously reported net income of $734,000, or 7 cents per unit.

This accounting change also increased the previously reported third quarter net loss of $475,000, or 25 cents per unit.

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PARAMOUNT, CA (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE- Albert N. Greenfield, chairman of the board of directors, and James H. Cheney, president and chief executive officer of Mechanics National Bank Friday announced that the bank has completed its public offering of common stock and convertible subordinated debentures.

The bank sold 35,069 shares of common stock in the public offering at $12 per share, raising $420,828. In addition, $1,121,000 of convertible subordinated debentures were sold to investors in the offering. The net proceeds of the combined offering will be added to the bank's capital in order to support its continued growth and for general corporate business.

Cheney said: ''The directors are very pleased with the results of the offering, and we appreciate the support and confidence we have received from the community. We believe Mechanics National Bank will continue to fulfill important banking service needs in the community.''

Mechanics National Bank common stock and debentures trade over the counter. Ryan, Beck & Co. makes a market in the common stock and debentures.

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Cynthia Caloia, 213/531-6384

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SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - F. G. Fabian Jr., chairman of the board of For Better Living Inc., reported that net income for the three months ended Sept. 29 was $610,000, or 67 cents per share, as compared with

net income of $348,000, or 38 cents per share, for the comparable period of the prior year.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990, was $945,000, or $1.03 per share, as compared with net income of $596,000, or 65 cents per share, for the comparable period of the prior year.

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William J. Nolan III, 714/831-9600

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LOUISVILLE, KY (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Kentucky Medical Insurance Company (NASDAQ National Market: KYMDA), has completed the acquisition of United Leaseshares, Inc.

The acquisition became effective Thursday.

Robert L. Callander is the sole shareholder and president of United. United's operations will be combined with those of a Kentucky Medical subsidiary, KMIC Leasing Company, which specializes in leasing automobiles and medical and office equipment to individuals and businesses, primarily within the healthcare community.

United's Callander will direct Kentucky Medical's combined leasing operations. The jobs of other United and KMIC Leasing employees are not expected to be changed by the acquisition.

''This acquisition will greatly enhance our ability to meet the service needs of the healthcare community,'' said David W. Lester, senior vice president and chief operating officer.

''Bob Callander's 12 years of experience founding and managing a very successful leasing operation will make a significant contribution to our management team,'' said Lester. ''We will use his talents and United's strengths to help Kentucky Medical do an even better job of bringing lease services to the healthcare community.''

Kentucky Medical Insurance Company is the major medical liability insurance carrier for Kentucky's doctors. The company insures hospitals, healthcare facilities, dentists, oral surgeons and other healthcare professionals. It also offers investment, leasing and other insurance services to the Kentucky medical community.

CONTACT: Kentucky Medical Insurance, Louisville

Thomas W. Mueller, 502/459-3400

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JOPPA, MD (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Merry-Go-Round Enterprises Inc. (NYSE: MGR), Friday announced its regular quarterly cash dividend of $.025 per share on its common stock.

The dividend is payable November 30, 1990 to shareholders of record as of November 16, 1990.

Merry-Go-Round Enterprises, Inc. is a leading specialty apparel chain selling contemporary fashions for young men and women in over 640 retail stores in 37 states.

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by
Mallory Factor Inc., New York
Chris Danne, 212/242-0000

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CANOGA PARK, CALIF. (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - New Image Industries Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:NIIS) announced Friday that it had a net loss of $956,000, or 23 cents per share, for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $229,000, or 10 cents per share, for 1989.

Per-share computations are based on a weighted average number of shares outstanding of 4,074,000 for Sept. 30, 1990, and 2,359,000 for 1989. Revenue for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,740,000 compared with $2,117,000 in 1989.

The net loss for the quarter was attributable in part to one-time charges for closing regional offices and severance pay to personnel, and other costs incurred in the reduction of selling, general and administrative expenses, along with a lower than expected revenue base worldwide.

In addition, selling, general and administrative expenses continued in the first quarter to be in excess of that mandated by New Image's current revenues.

Robert Gurevitch announced, ''Reductions in selling, general administrative expenses put in place during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 and the first quarter of fiscal 1991 will be fully reflected in results of operations for the second quarter of fiscal 1991.''

At Sept. 30, 1990, New Image announced plans for a repurchase of company stock and had cash and cash equivalents of approximately $10,508,000. Net worth at Sept. 30, 1990 was $18,459,000, or $4.53 per share.

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IRVINE, CA (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Wespercorp (BSE:WP) Friday announced that for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, it reported a net earnings of $1,000, or $.0001 per share, on sales of $335,000, as compared with a net earnings of $25,000, or $.006 per share (all of which was attributed to the sale of the Audiofile product line in August 1989) on sales of $421,000 for the same period in the prior year.

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SANTA ANA, CALIF. (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - EECO Inc. (ASE:EEC) announced the signing of a definitive agreement to sell EECO Computer Inc. (ECI), its hotel-systems business, to a Hong Kong investor group.

The new company, ECI Computer Corp., will continue to have headquarters in Orange County but will strengthen its international ties with its Asia Pacific distributor, Dataprep, which is headed by Fred Eu of Hong Kong.

The Dataprep group, which has been associated with ECI since 1977, has installed 100 systems in 63 hotels throughout the Far East including mainland China. Eu is the lead investor of the Hong Kong group which will own ECI Computer Corp. and operate it under a management team headed by Carl Jeremias, president.

ECI has over 20 years' experience as a world leader in providing sophisticated computerized property-management systems for the lodging industry. ECI recently announced its new ''ECI/UX'' Unix/Oracle-based property-management system which has been well received by the hospitality industry.

The system will be installed at its first customer site in early November. ECI Computer will also continue to market and support its existing ECI OS and ECI GuesTrak systems.

EECO's divestiture of ECI will be a major step toward meeting a condition to confirmation of EECO's Reorganization Plan under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code.

The transaction, which is expected to close in early December, will be completed as a sale of assets with the buyer assuming certain executory contracts which include open customer contracts, software licenses and real and personal property leases.

As a part of the court approval of the sale, ECI's remaining liabilities, other than valid secured claims, must be ordered by the court to be deemed general unsecured claims against EECO and will be treated as such in its overall Reorganization Plan, which must also by approved by the court.

EECO manufactures and markets electronic keypads, electromechanical switches and hotel computer systems worldwide and computer keyboards in Europe.

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Carl Jeremias, 714/434-8800

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VIENNA, VA (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - LEGENT Corp. (NASDAQ: LGNT) Friday announced that Robert Yellin has been elected to the newly created post of vice president, technology, reporting to the president and chief operating officer.

In his new position, Yellin, 37, assumes responsibility for LEGENT's product development strategies and product integration. In addition to evaluating new technologies, Yellin's efforts will result in the further extension of LEGENT's systems software capabilities to a wider range of operating platforms each managed from an IBM host.

Yellin spent the last five years as vice president, product development for LEGENT's Software management division, based in Westborough, Mass. There, he headed the product planning, design and development teams that made the ENDEVOR change control and configuration management system the most advanced of its kind in the systems software industry, contributing to the division's 80 percent growth rate in recent years.

Yellin joined Business Software Technology Inc. in 1985 to establish its product development organization. BST merged in late 1989 with LEGENT to become the company's Software Management division. He previously had been a corporate officer of Aetna Life & Casualty Co., Hartford, Conn., where his

responsibilities included orchestrating this major IBM installation's conversion to database technology and the technical support of major on-line applications. A graduate of the State University of New York at Stonybrook, N.Y., Yellin joined Aetna in 1974.

In its latest fiscal year ended Sept. 30, LEGENT invested more than 22 percent of its revenues, or $38.6 million, in development and on the support of its software products, a function that includes approximately 400 personnel in three product divisions.

LEGENT Corp. is a leading independent supplier of systems software and services for the management and operations of IS enterprises. The company's solutions are designed for IS organizations supporting heterogeneous networks managed by IBM mainframes. With headquarters located in Vienna, LEGENT employs more than 1,000 people, serving 3,500 customers worldwide.

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Richard E. Hanlon, 703/734-9494

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Goldriver Limited Partnership (Goldriver), the owner of Sam's Town Gold River Hotel and Gambling Hall, and its wholly owned subsidiary, Goldriver Finance Corporation (GFC), jointly announced Friday that Goldriver and GFC did not meet GFC's scheduled funding date of Nov. 1 for the interest payment then due on GFC's 13-7/8 percent First Mortgage Bonds due May 1, 1997.

Goldriver and GFC also announced that they intend to schedule a meeting with a committee of the Bondholders during the 30-day grace period allowable under the Bond Indenture.

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PLAINVIEW, NY (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Geraghty & Miller, Inc. (NASDAQ: GMGW) announced Friday that it has been selected by the Department of Energy (DOE) as one of a five-company team to negotiate a contract to provide architectural-engineering services for the Uranium Mill Tailings Remedial Action (UMTRA) Project.

The estimated value of the contract for a potential five-year period is approximately $100 million. The prime contractor is Jacobs Engineering Group, and Geraghty & Miller will lead the ground-water portions of the project.

The cost-plus-fixed-fee, task assignment contract will be negotiated during February, 1991, with the award expected about the end of February. The contract will cover a basic two-year period and three one-year options.

The focus of the five-year project will be the initiation of ground-water characterization and restoration activities at 24 DOE uranium mill tailing sites throughout the United States.

The UMTRA Project is a cooperative effort by DOE and the affected states and Indian tribes to perform remedial actions on uranium mill tailings sites and associated vicinity properties.

The project team will provide broad technical, analytical, environmental, engineering, design, inspection and management support services to the project.

Geraghty & Miller provides a wide spectrum of environmental services with special emphasis on the development, management and protection of ground-water resources and the correction of ground-water contamination.

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CARSON, CALIF. (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Dynasty Classics Corp. (NASDAQ) Friday announced the results of its operations for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter increased to $26,036,000, up 36 percent from $19,199,000 a year ago. Net earnings for the quarter increased to $1,727,000 (21 cents per share). This represents a 71 percent gain over net earnings of $1,008,000 (18 cents per share) for the third quarter 1989.

The company reported non-recurring expenses of $296,000 associated with the relocation of its executive offices, manufacturing operations and warehousing facilities to a local 374,000 square foot building.

Management believes the consolidation of operations, under more favorable leasing terms, will benefit the company and provide for significant ongoing efficiencies and improved controls in manufacturing and distribution.

The chairman and chief executive officer stated: ''We have recently been successful in negotiating major additional turnkey and test programs with many

of the nation's largest retailers. New product development in each marketing category is exceeding our expectations.

''We believe the introduction of the new Classic Advantage Decor line in scope quality, value and innovation has made a very significant positive impact on the industry and its perception of Dynasty Classics.

''We are pleased to report a significant improvement during the quarter in gross margin of 1.9 percent from the same period a year ago. We have begun to domestically manufacture recessed lighting and have expanded our domestic production of track, table and floor lamps. As further evidence of better controls, finished goods inventory ended the period below projected levels.''

Dynsaty Classics markets home decor products principally through major retailers. The company designs, imports, manufactures and distributes decorative and fixtured lighting, Christmas lighting and accessories, comfort products and home decor under the brand names Dynasty Classics, South Coast, Holiday Classics and Classic Advantage. The company's customers include warehouse clubs, major national retailers, home centers, discount chains and catalog retailers.

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TORONTO (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - NHI Nelson Holdings International Ltd. (ASE/ToSE/VcSE:NNH) announced Friday that it has repaid on the due date the full amount of the Canadian $8.9 million (US $7.6 million) outstanding of its 6 percent convertible subordinated debentures (''the debentures'') including semi-annual interest.

The debentures, which were issued in 1987, matured on Oct. 31, 1990.

NHI Nelson Holdings International Ltd. is the holding company for the Nelson Entertainment Group and for 69 percent-owned Nelson Vending Technology Limited.

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Peter Graves, executive vice president, 213/285-6150

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DALLAS (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Tuesday Morning Inc. announced third quarter sales increased 15% to $21 million from $18.3 million for the prior year.

Comparable store sales rose 6% in a sluggish overall retailing environment.

This strong showing enabled the company to produce an operating profit versus the small prior-year loss. After allowing for higher interest expense, the favorable operating performance permitted the company to trim its seasonal third quarter loss to 4 cents a share or $170,838 compared to 5 cents a share loss for $186,367 in 1989.

For the first nine months the company posted record sales of $60.8 million, an increase of 12.3% over the prior year's nine month sales of $54.1 million. The nine month loss of 21 cents a share was compared to last year's loss of 9 cents.

''Historically the fourth quarter generates our highest revenues and profits of the year,'' said Lloyd L. Ross, chairman and chief executive officer.

''We are expecting momentum to continue in this important period. We have implemented a variety of important internal and merchandising improvements to help us maximize sales in what we consider will be a very 'price-sensitive' selling season.''

During the third quarter the company opened four new units with six additional new stores planned for the fourth quarter. This would bring the year-end total to 132 up from the prior year's 114.

Tuesday Morning is a deep-discount, closeout gift chain operating in 21 states. The stores are open four times a year on an event sale basis during the retail industry's peak selling seasons.

Each location offers thousands of closeout items in categories that include gifts, housewares, linens, toys and seasonal items such as holiday trim.

All merchandise is sold at 50-80% off retail prices, and the firm specializes in famous-maker, first quality merchandise which is often found in prestigious department and specialty stores.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Qintex Entertainment Inc. (QEI) (NASDAQ:QNTXQ) Friday announced that the company has completed the sale of certain of its entertainment assets to RHI Entertainment for a final adjusted closing price in excess of $40 million.

QEI also reported that the company is in escrow on the sale of its interests in HR Broadcasting Inc. (HRBC). HRBC owns two television stations that are being sold to ABRY Communications for over $40 million, of which QEI will

receive more than $20 million for its interests. The ABRY transaction is scheduled to close following transfer of FCC licenses, which is expected to occur in December 1990.

''Qintex - in the context of a difficult financing environment - is maximizing cash value through two transactions that will net more than $60 million. We are very pleased to close the asset sale to RHI and look forward to completing the ABRY transaction as well,'' said Jonathan Lloyd, president of Qintex Entertainment.

''In cooperation with its creditors, the company is currently developing a plan of reorganization that will determine the ultimate distribution of these proceeds,'' Lloyd explained.

Qintex filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in October 1989.

CONTACT: Russell Communications Group, Los Angeles
Daniel Saks, 213/823-3622

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LOUISVILLE, KY (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - ICH Corp. (ASE: ICH) announced Friday that Sheryl G. Snyder will become General Counsel of the company, effective Dec. 1. Currently Snyder is a senior partner in Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs, Kentucky's largest law firm.

At Wyatt, Tarrant and Combs, Snyder concentrated in litigating complex, commercial disputes. He also has been legal counsel to Governors Wilkinson, Collins and Brown in separation of powers disputes with the General Assembly.

Steve Bing, president of ICH, said: "We are extremely pleased that Sheryl has agreed to join ICH. His wide range of experience and proven abilities further strengthen the very talented management team that has been assembled at ICH."

ICH, a Louisville-based insurance holding company has been restructuring its operation during the past year. During that time ICH has taken significant steps to position itself for the nineties including the divesture of certain less profitable subsidiaries, reducing debt, concentrating on its core markets and building a multi-talented management team with a proven record of success.

Snyder, 44, was named Outstanding Lawyer in Louisville in 1982. He is past president of the Kentucky and Louisville Bar Associations and has served on many local civic boards, including the Louisville Orchestra, Metro United Way, Kentucky Center for Public Issues, and Leadership Kentucky.

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SYOSSET, NY (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Firetector Inc. announces that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Design Electronic Systems Corp. of North Miami, Fla. (''DESCO'') has signed a letter of intent with Florida Electronics Systems Corp. of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. (''FES'') pursuant to which DESCO and FES are negotiating a joint venture and/or franchise/distribution relationship while FES assists DESCO in the performance of DESCO's service contracts, collection of DESCO's receivables and marketig of DESCO's current inventory as well as other Firetector group products.

Firetector and DESCO are pursuing this course of action to respond to personnel departures while expanding the Florida operation to a stronger critical mass and into higher growth areas of the Florida market.

If the contemplated transaction with FES is not consummated, Firetector will likely seek direct distribution relationships with independent Florida companies.

Firetector, through subsidiaries, designs, manufactures, sells and services a variety of life safety, fire, security, energy management and audio-video communications systems for office buildings, hotels, apartment buildings and other commercial buildings.

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SYOSSET, N.Y. (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Systems Equipment Corp. announces that its indirect subsidiary, Design Electronic Systems Corp. of North Miami, (''DESCO'') has signed a letter of intent with Florida Electronics Systems Corp. of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. (''FES'') pursuant to which DESCO and FES are negotiating a joint venture and/or franchise/distribution relationship while FES assists DESCO in the performance of DESCO's service contracts, collection of DESCO's receivables and marketing of DESCO's current inventory as well as other Systems group products.

DESCO is pursuing this course of action to respond to personnel departures while expanding the Florida operation to a stronger critical mass and into higher growth areas of the Florida market.

If the contemplated transaction with FES is not consummated, the Systems group will likely seek direct distribution relationships with independent Florida companies.

Systems, through subsidiaries, designs, manufactures, sells and services a variety of life safety, fire, security, energy management and audio-video communications systems for office buildings, hotels, apartment buildings and other commercial buildings.

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Marc Palker, 516/921-3400

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#90306b0661 11/02/1990 ~Business Wire

BIRMINGHAM, AL (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Wallace D. Malone Jr., the chief executive officer of SouthTrust Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS: SOTR), Friday announced that the board of directors of the company has authorized the company to repurchase from time to time, at prices deemed attractive by the company, up to 1 million shares of its common stock in open market transactions.

SouthTrust Corp. is an $8.6 billion regional multibank holding company. The company operates 44 banks with 263 offices in a five-state area which includes Alabama, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, and Tennessee. SouthTrust Corp. common stock is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol SOTR.

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GREENSBORO, GA (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - While recycling aluminum soft drink and beer cans may only be a recent practice for many American households, a team of Alcan employees in Greensboro has recycled used beverage cans by the billions every year for the past decade.

This weekend, Alcan Recycling celebrates its milestone 10-year anniversary at Greensboro with a plant open house for employees and their families, local government officials and business leaders, and area residents.

The plant recycles aluminum beverage cans into aluminum ingots, weighing as much as 50,000 lbs., for further processing in Alcan rolling and manufacturing operations throughout North America. In the 10 years since Alcan has operated the plant, Greensboro has recycled close to 25 billion aluminum cans, or 50 percent of the total volume of aluminum cans recycled by Americans last year.

Alcan acquired the Greensboro plant in the fall of 1980 from Keystone Resources. It was Alcan's first totally dedicated can recycling plant. Through capital improvements and productivity gains by employees, Greensboro's recycling output has increased significantly each year over the past decade.

When completed, the expansion will enable the Greensboro plant to recycle the equivalent of an additional 1 billion cans per year to an annual total capacity of more than 5 billion used beverage cans (UBC's), or 160 cans per second, 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.

In 1989, Americans recycled a record 49.4 billion aluminum cans, and raised the national can recycling rate to 60.8 percent, a significant increase over 54.6 percent in 1988 and 50.5 percent in 1987. In 1980, when Alcan acquired Greensboro, the U.S. recycling rate was only 37.3 percent, for a total of 14.8 billion aluminum cans recycled.

Also significant, but generally unknown outside the industry is that aluminum recycling actually saves energy. Making aluminum from recycled aluminum cans requires only 5 percent of the energy required to make aluminum from raw materials. The Aluminum Association, a Washington D.C.-based organization of aluminum producers, estimates that by recycling last year alone, aluminum makers saved more than 12 billion kilowatt hours of electricity -- the energy equivalent of 20 million barrels of oil.

Every year aluminum recycling becomes more and more convenient to consumers, Pchola said, estimating that more than 10,000 buyback centers, employing 30,000 to 40,000 workers now exist throughout the United States. An estimated 3 million to 4 million Americans are regular visitors to these centers while millions more support recycling through curbside pickup and municipal recycling programs.

Alcan Recycling is part of Alcan Aluminum Corp., the U.S. subsidiary of Alcan Aluminium Ltd., Montreal.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Showboat, Inc. (NYSE: SBO) Friday announced operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990.

For the third quarter, Showboat reported net revenues of $88.4 million down from $98.4 million in the like 1989 three-month period. Income from operations was $11.5 million, off from $16.3 million, and net income was $2.9 million or $.26 per share against $9.3 million or $.82 per share a year earlier, when SBO realized a pre-tax gain of $4.9 million, or $.28 per share, from the sale of the Showboat Country Club in Las Vegas, Nevada and a $2.4 million litigation settlement.

Ocean Showboat, Inc. and subsidiaries, which owns and operates the casino-hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey, recorded third quarter 1990 operating income before depreciation, parent company management fees and net interest expense of $17.6 million, compared to $20.4 million registered a year earlier, which included the one- time benefit of $2.4 million relating to a settlement of litigation. Net revenues were $74.4 million against $84.4 million a year ago.

Operating income for Ocean Showboat in the third quarter of 1990 was only slightly less than that of the prior year, exclusive of the one-time $2.4 million litigation settlement. Strong slot performance and effective cost control efforts offset a decrease in table games' revenues to produce these results.

For the recent quarter, Showboat's Las Vegas operation reported net revenues of $14.0 million, level with net revenues a year ago, and an operating loss of $.3 million, before net interest and depreciation, compared to an operating profit of $.9 million a year earlier.

As anticipated, the decrease in operating profits was due to the continued disruption of business caused by extensive construction and renovations, which were substantially complete October 26, 1990.

For the nine months, net revenues for the Company were $255.5 million, against $265.4 million in the like period a year earlier. Income from operations was $22.0 million, compared to $31.1 million a year ago, and net income was $1.8 million or $.16 per share versus net income of $10.7 million equal to $.94 a share a year earlier, including the $4.9 million gain from the sale of the Showboat Country Club and $2.4 million litigation settlement.

Ocean Showboat, Inc., for the nine months recorded net revenues of $211.9 million against $223.1 million and operating income of $36.0 million, compared to $40.5 million in the corresponding nine-month period.

For the nine months, net revenues for Showboat's Las Vegas operation were $43.6 against $42.3 million a year earlier and operating profit was $2.2 million compared to $5.4 million for the 1989 nine months ended.

Showboat, Inc. through its subsidiaries operates resorts in Las Vegas and Atlantic City featuring casino gambling, bowling, and other sports attractions and special events.

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LONDON (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - British Gas (NYSE:BRG) is to launch a $1.5 billion U.S. Commercial Paper Program through a U.S. register finance subsidiary, British Gas Capital, Inc.

The three dealers appointed to the program are:

Goldman Sachs Money Markets Inc.

Lehman Commercial Paper Incorporated

Merrill Lynch Money Markets Inc.

The following credit ratings have been assigned to the program:

Moody's	Prime-1	Standard & poor's	A1+

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers.

British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore. Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to ten ordinary shares.

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HOPKINTON, MASS. (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - The first menuing package to include built-in software metering exclusively for Banyan Systems Inc., networks ships next week, with the release of StreetMap 1.1, by Trellis.

The extensive software metering capabilities enhance this robust menu-building system, which is free to all support customers of Trellis, based here. Approximately 20,000 users are affected by the announcement.

StreetMap 1.1 includes a range of network management and menu-administration features. Together, these features are designed to help network managers comply with the often-complicated restrictions governing secured network access and site licensing agreements.

''An increasing number of companies are very conscious of respecting the limits of site licenses,'' said Bob Shea, president of Trellis Software, a leading developer of applications for Banyan networks.

StreetMap 1.1 monitors user activity across the entire network. Its ability to track an infinite number of applications running under the VINES operating system means that various licensing agreements can be simultaneously monitored.

Software metering prohibits access to an application if the maximum number of allowed users are already on line. Because many companies own more than one restricted copy of an application, StreetMap can automatically route potential users to the next available slot.

Metering also permits network managers to gauge overall activity, and determine whether additional licenses, or even different software, might better serve the company's needs.

Trellis is a leading systems integrator, trainer, network applications developer, and software publisher. Its portfolio of products include calendaring, menuing, bulletin board, mirroring, fax, and an optical disk interface for Banyan VINES networks.

Trellis, a privately held company, has offices in Hopkinton, Mass., Falls Church, Va., and Princeton, N.J.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Friday announced a one-cent decrease in the base spot sales price of refined lead.

Its new price effective immediately is 40 cents per pound, F.O.B. delivered in carload lots.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. (NYSE:BSC) announced the election of four new members to the company's board of directors as of Oct. 30, 1990.

They are Jonathan Ilany, Matthew J. Mancuso, Warren J. Spector and John Steinhardt.

Ilany, 37, shares responsibility for the mortgage-backed securities trading and the mortgage research departments of Bear Stearns. Ilany joined Bear Stearns in 1982 and became a senior managing director in 1987.

Mancuso, 40, directs Bear Stearns' taxable fixed income sales and marketing department nationally and internationally. Mancuso joined Bear Stearns in 1978 and became a senior managing director in 1985.

Spector, 32, shares responsibility for the mortgage-backed securities trading department of Bear Stearns. Spector joined Bear Stearns in 1983 and became a senior managing director in 1988.

Steinhardt, 36, directs the firm's corporate bond department and various other trading and capital markets activities. Steinhardt joined Bear Stearns in January 1988 and became a senior managing director in April 1988.

The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. is the holding company for Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., a leading investment banking and brokerage firm headquartered in New York City.

The securities firm is engaged in corporate and public finance and mergers and acquisitions, institutional equities, fixed income sales and trading, individual investor sales, asset management and correspondent clearing.

Through another subsidiary, Custodial Trust Company, the company is engaged in securities lending and custody services. The company has approximately 5,700 employees in 13 offices worldwide.

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WOBURN, MASS (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - CAD/CAM Integration (CCI) today announced the opening of its new corporate headquarters.

The new facility is located at 76 Winn St., Woburn, Mass., 01801, one block from CCI's original facility. The telephone and fax numbers will remain the same for the new installation.

Included in the new facility are expanded training and applications development areas, a workout and fitness center, additional sales and marketing offices and a new manufacturing and assembly area, previously at an off-sight location. The new facility is located along Massachusetts Route 128 and is 20 minutes from downtown Boston.

According to Joe Lewis, president of CCI, ''We've expanded our operations in response to significantly higher customer demand for factory communications products and training, and to continue to build a support staff that can compliment that growth. We are actively looking for qualified sales and engineering support as part of our continued expansion plan.''

CAD/CAM Integration Inc., founded in 1983, provides manufacturing data networks, communications systems and interfacing products for distributed numerical control of corporate, product management and shop floor manufacturing systems. These products provide a means to network, monitor, collect and validate manufacturing information from existing manufacturing systems.

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CLEARWATER, FLA. (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert S. Wiggins, chairman and chief executive officer of Technology Research Corp. (TRC), (NASDAQ:TRCI), Friday reported that the company's revenues for the second quarter ended Sept. 30 were $1,507,294 compared to $2,020,194 reported in the like quarter of the prior year, and the net loss for the current quarter was $98,024 compared to net income of $72,794 for the prior year's quarter.

Revenues for the six-month period ended Sept. 30 were $2,887,292 compared to $3,973,240 reported in the like period in the prior year, and the net loss for the current period was $492,549 compared to net income of $83,230 for the like period in the prior year.

Wiggins commented that sales of the company's ground fault circuit interrupter (''GFCI'') products were 75 percent of total sales for the current quarter, 73 percent for the six month period as compared to 65 percent and 67 percent for the like periods in the prior year.

Domestic GFCI sales for the current quarter increased slightly over the corresponding period for the previous year; however total GFCI product sales reflect a decrease of approximately $560,000 for the six months, primarily caused by a delay in receiving certain orders from original equipment manufacturers and a general slowdown in both the company's international and domestic markets.

In addition, military product sales decreased by approximately $500,000 during the current six month period reflecting the continued delay in the phase-over to the new Tactical Quiet Electrical Generator System. This situation will continue to exist at least through the next fiscal quarter.

The loss for the current quarter and the six month period can be attributed to the lower sales levels presently being experienced.

The company is benefitting from the aggressive cost reduction program that was implemented in the current period and expenses are in line with expected revenues.

TRC, a Florida based corporation, is engaged in the design, development, manufacture, and marketing of electronic control and measurement devices related to the distribution of electrical power.

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MANCHESTER, NH (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Numerica Financial Corp. (OTC:NUME) announced Friday an after tax loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $4,142,000, or 93 cents per share, compared to an after tax loss of $1,033,000 or 23 cents per share, one year ago.

Year to date, the company has lost $17,642,000, or $3.96 per share, compared to a net loss of $13,772,000, or $3.09 per share, one year ago.

The company's loss during the third quarter was primarily due to the following: a $1.1 million provision for possible loan losses, compared to $680 thousand one year ago; foreclosure expense of $1.3 million, compared to $248 thousand one year ago; and a decrease in net interest income from $5.7 million one year ago, to $4.2 million in 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, non-accrual loans amounted to $28.2 million, and other real estate owned was $39.2 million, totalling $67.4 million of total non-earning assets, or 6.81 percent of total assets. This was up slightly when compared to $26.2 million of non-accrual loans, and $36.2 million of other real estate owned, totalling $62.4 million of total non-earning assets, or 6.23 percent of total assets at June 30, 1990.

Loans 90 days past due still accruing interest at Sept. 30, 1990, were $2.7 million, compared to $3.0 million at June 30, 1990. Total restructured loans at Sept. 30, 1990, were $9.2 million, compared to $2.4 million at June 30, 1990.

Net interest income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $4.2 million, down $1.5 million from one year ago. Fees and service charges were up $97 thousand from one year ago, to end the quarter at $1.6 million. Non-interest expenses, exclusive of foreclosure expenses and additional costs associated with a prior disposition of a mortgage-banking subsidiary, were down $139 thousand from one year ago, to $7.5 million for the third quarter of 1990.

The allowance for possible loan losses at Sept. 30, 1990, was $11.8 million and represented 1.79 percent of total loans. This compares to $12.0 million, or 1.46 percent of total loans at June 30, 1990, and $10.1 million, or 1.08 percent of total loans at Sept. 30, 1989. At Sept. 30, 1990, the allowance for possible loan losses represented 41.7 percent of total non-accrual loans, compared to 45.6 percent at June 30, 1990, and 30.2 percent at Sept. 30, 1989.

Total loans at Sept. 30, 1990, were $656 million, down $282 million, or 30.1 percent from one year ago, and down $163 million, or 20.0 percent from June 30 1990. The reduction in loans during the quarter was principally due to the securitization of $141 million of residential mortgages at Numerica Savings Bank, and the securitization and sale of $25 million of adjustable rate mortgages by HomeBank.

Assets were also reduced in line with the company's plan to continue to downsize the balance sheet. At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $990 million down $152 million, or 13.3 percent from one year ago, and down $13 million, or 1.3 percent from June 30, 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the company's equity to asset ratio was 3.00 percent. The tangible, core, and risk-based capital ratios at Numerica Savings Bank were 1.67 percent, 1.67 percent and 3.72 percent, respectively; and at HomeBank were 4.95 percent, 5.70 percent, and 9.30 percent, respectively. Under the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA), both banks' required tangible, core, and risk-based capital levels are 1.5 percent, 3.0 percent, and 6.4 percent.

The company announced during the third quarter that it has withdrawn its application to the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), which requested permission to contribute the stock of HomeBank held by Numerica Financial Corp. to Numerica Savings Bank. As a result of this withdrawal, and a subsequent denial by the OTS pertaining to Numerica Savings Bank's associated capital plan, the bank is currently in discussions with federal regulators pertaining to a capital directive.

The capital directive, when finalized, is expected to result in significant operating restrictions on Numerica Savings Bank and will define the timing associated with a required capitalization of Numerica Savings Bank. Until the capital directive is finalized, the bank has agreed with the OTS as to certain restrictions on its lending and investment activities.

To assist Numerica Savings Bank in its recapitalization efforts, the company announced today that it has retained BEI/Golembe Capital Markets to act as its financial advisor. Given current economic conditions, the capital position of Numerica Savings Bank cannot be expected to be brought into capital compliance with existing regulatory requirements without the infusion of new outside capital. It is likely that any infusion of capital will probably result in substantial dilution to existing shareholders.

If Numerica Savings Bank cannot reach capital compliance within a time frame acceptable to federal regulators, it is likely that more stringent regulatory action will be taken by such regulators.

Numerica Financial Corp. is a $990 million multiple savings and loan holding company headquartered in Manchester, N.H., with 17 offices located throughout the state.

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RENO, Nev. (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - FirstMiss Gold Inc. (NASDAQ:FRMG), an 82 percent owned subsidiary of First Mississippi Corp. (NYSE:FRM) Thursday held its third annual meeting of stockholders in Reno.

Cecil Alvarez, president and chief executive officer, discussed results for the previous fiscal year, operations at the Getchell mill, and the proposed spin-off by First Mississippi Corp. of its ownership in FirstMiss Gold.

''The spin-off is subject to a favorable tax ruling from the Internal Revenue Service and to a favorable operating and financial outlook, so that FirstMiss Gold is a viable stand-alone company,'' Alvarez said. ''The ruling has taken longer than anticipated and start-up problems have delayed routine operations '' Alvarez continued. ''So the spin-off is expected no sooner than spring of 1991.''

The company also announced the election to its board of directors of Robert Laxalt. This election increases FirstMiss Gold's board membership to nine directors, five of whom are not employees of the company or its parent company. Eight other board members were reelected. Stockholders also approved management's proposed amendments to the company's Certificate of Incorporation.

Laxalt was appointed to the Distinguished Nevada Author Chair at the University of Nevada, Reno in June 1988. Prior to that he was a visiting professor of Literature at the University of Nevada. He has published nine

books, both fiction and nonfiction, and written numerous articles for National Geographic magazine and other publications.

At its directors' meeting, also held yesterday, the board elected officers and created two new positions. Richard W. Stumbo Jr. was named vice president, finance and chief financial officer. Q. Allen Neal, formerly vice president, was named vice president, operations. Stumbo joined the company in October. He is responsible for all financial and administrative matters, including administration of the Reno office.

He previously was vice president, finance and chief financial officer at Homestake Mining Co. He is a graduate of Harvard Business School, Advanced Management Program, the Wharton Graduate Business School (M.B.A.) and the University of Wisconsin (B.S. in Civil Engineering).

Neal has been responsible for planning, administration, project development and operations at Getchell since 1987. A civil engineer, he has 25 years experience in construction management, procurement and contract administration.

FirstMiss Gold Inc., a gold mining and exploration company, has headquarters in Reno. Its primary mining and production operations are at the Getchell Mine in north central Nevada.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - New Line Cinema Corp. (AMEX:NLN) and RHI Entertainment Inc. Friday announced the consummation of two transactions which will result in the two companies working together in television production and distribution.

New Line announced that it, and Chemical Banking Corp. (NYSE:CHL), had invested, in aggregate, $12.4 million in RHI Entertainment Inc. concurrently with RHI's acquisition of the Qintex Entertainment Inc. television film assets.

Included in the assets acquired by RHI are television development projects, accounts receivable, the worldwide television rights to the Qintex library of films and related assets of Qintex. The Qintex assets were purchased for approximately $40 million.

Partial financing for the Qintex acquisition was provided to RHI by Chemical Bank. Chemical Bank has also provided RHI with a $10 million, five year reducing revolving credit facility.

The QEI library consists of Robert Halmi titles, the Hal Roach Studio library

and new HRS (Hal Roach Studio) titles such as the hit CBS mini-series ''Lonesome Dove.'' Robert Halmi Inc. and Hal Roach Studios Inc. were each acquired by Qintex Entertainment Inc. in 1988.

New Line Cinema Corp. is a leading independent producer and distributor of theatrical motion pictures.

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BATON ROUGE, La. (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - United Companies Financial Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:UNCF) Friday announced that it has purchased substantially all of the assets of Foster Mortgage Corp., a mortgage servicing company located in Fort Worth, Texas and recently ranked as the 27th largest in the United States.

Foster was formerly a subsidiary of a savings and loan in conservatorship by the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC). The purchase was the result of a competitive bid process initiated by the RTC in March of 1990, for the sale of Foster or Foster's assets.

The assets of Foster acquired in the sale were purchased with limited representations and warranties from the seller and without any representations warranties or indemnification from the RTC. The purchase price was approximately $94 million which included $7.5 billion of mortgage servicing rights and other assets.

Corporate plans call for Foster's operations to remain in Fort Worth with substantially all of the former Foster employees being employed by the new entity. The name Foster Mortgage Corp. was purchased as part of the acquisition. Foster will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of United Companies Financial Corp.

J. Terrell Brown, chief executive officer and president of United Companies Financial Corp., stated, ''This acquisition represents a major advance in our corporate strategy to diversify within the financial services industry. In addition to adding a successful complementary business to our corporate family we will be presented with opportunities for increased efficiencies within our corporate structure which should provide increased shareholder value.''

He went on to say, ''Our goal is to grow Foster's portfolio to rank among the 15 largest mortgage servicing companies in the industry. We will be looking for quality servicing product on a national basis. We believe that the market presently offers a unique opportunity for Foster and United Companies.''

United Companies is a Louisiana based financial services holding company engaged primarily in the business of life insurance, mortgage lending and mortgage servicing. United Companies Financial Corp. is publicly owned and its shares are traded under the symbol UNCF on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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BURLINGTON, MASS. (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Xylogics Inc. (NASDAQ:XLGX) Friday announced it expects to post significantly lower fourth quarter sales and a resultant loss.

According to Bruce Bergman, president and chief executive officer, ''Fourth quarter sales will be down a little over 25 percent from the third quarter. This is caused by delays in several major OEM customers' programs and a slowing in orders from other customers and resellers. The delays are temporary, and shipments are already resuming in some programs and expected to resume in others shortly. The slowing of orders reflects current economic conditions which are forcing customers to minimize inventories.''

Although the company declined to estimate the exact size of the loss, Bergman said, ''With the lower revenue figures and various actions taken in response to the lower revenues, we will also incur a loss for the year.''

Bergman said that based upon some significant new customer programs and new products, he expected a return to revenue growth and profitability for Xylogics in 1991. However, he declined to make any quarterly or detailed projections.

Headquartered in Burlington, Mass., Xylogics Inc. is a leading supplier of computer I/O and networking products used primarily in the UNIX market.

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FULLERTON, CA (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Paul H. Silverman, Ph.D. and DSc, joins Beckman Instruments Inc. (NYSE:BEC) as director of scientific affairs, a new position, on Nov. 1, 1990.

He was director of the University of California Systemwide Biotechnology Research & Education Program and senior scientist at Lawrence Berkeley Lab.

Silverman will maintain close contact with key academic centers, scientists and out-licensing offices, especially in the areas of molecular biology and cell biology, according to Michael O'Neill, vice president of Beckman's Bioanalytical Systems Group.

At Beckman, Silverman reports to Dr. James C. Sternberg, vice president, Beckman Advanced Technology Department, which has responsibility for early exploration of technological concepts and technology transfer within the corporation.

Beckman has 36 international facilities and is a leading worldwide supplier of laboratory equipment for life science research and clinical diagnostics.

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LEXINGTON, KY (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - At a meeting held Friday, the board of directors of Kentucky Utilities Co. (NYSE:KU) declared the following dividends:

Class	Record Date	Payable Date	Amount
Common	Nov. 23	Dec. 14	$ .36-1/2
4.75 pct. Preferred	Nov. 15	Dec. 1	$1.18-3/4
7.84 pct. Preferred	Nov. 15	Dec. 1	$1.96
8.65 pct. Preferred	Nov. 15	Dec. 1	$2.16-1/4
9.96 pct. Preferred	Nov. 15	Dec. 1	$2.49

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Karen Klein, 606/255-2100

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JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (NOV.2) BUSINESS WIRE - Corporate Data Sciences Inc. announced Friday that effective Nov. 1 the company's common stock has been temporarily delisted from the NASDAQ (Symbol:''CODS'') pending the filing by the company of its Form 10-K for the year ended Feb. 28 and subsequent interim

filings on Form 10-Q.

Michael W. Carrender, the company's CEO, stated that meetings are continuing with the company's attorneys and auditors to resolve this matter as soon as possible. The company expects to be reinstated on NASDAQ immediately following the filing of the reports.

The company will issue additional news releases concerning the matter as soon as possible.

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MONTVALE, N.J. (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc. announced Friday that Mr. Craig Sturken had been elected a corporate vice president of A&P.

Mr. Sturken's immediate assignment, working out of the chairman's office, will be as chairman of The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company Ltd., A&P's holding company in Toronto.

Mr. John Dunne, president of The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company of Canada and responsible for the operation of the A&P and Dominion stores in Canada, will report to Mr. Sturken as will Mr. Earl Near, president of the Miracle Foodmart of Canada, a recently acquired subsidiary.

Mr. Sturken joins A&P from the Grand Union Company where he was most recently Senior Vice President of their southern region located in Atlanta. He is a graduate of the University of Tampa, Fla. and has over 25 years experience in the supermarket business with Grand Union and Hannaford Brothers Co. of Bangor Maine.

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NEW ALBANY, IN (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Following the annual meeting of shareholders, the board of directors of Robinson Nugent Inc. (OTC:RNIC) declared a semiannual cash dividend of 4 cents per share payable Dec. 14, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 27, 1990.

The directors also elected the following to serve as officers of Robinson Nugent Inc. for a term of one year:

Samuel C. Robinson, chairman of the board

Larry W. Burke, president and chief executive officer

Clifford G. Boggs, vice president, treasurer and chief financial officer

Richard L. Mattox, secretary

At the annual meeting of shareholders on Nov. 1, 1990, shareholders reelected James W. Robinson, Lawrence Mazey and Burke as directors for a three-year term. In addition Diane T. Maynard was elected as a director for a term of two years. James Robinson and Mazey have served as directors of the company since 1955.

Burke, a director, president and CEO since March 1990, has been in the employ of the company in various positions since 1981. Maynard serves the Jefferson County government in Louisville, Ky., as a management consultant. She formerly served as president of J.J. Skinner Inc., a hospital supply company in Utica, Ohio, from 1987 to 1989, and as a group executive of TMC Management Co. of Louisville, a long distance communications time reseller, from 1984 to 1986.

Robinson Nugent Inc. designs, manufactures and markets electronic connectors, integrated circuit sockets and cable assemblies. Its products are sold throughout the world for use by manufacturers of computers, telecommunications equipment, automobiles and industrial controls, and a wide variety of other products to interconnect components of electronic systems.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 1) BUSINESS WIRE - Strong demand by Japanese passengers for Japan Airlines' international and domestic flights, and growth in domestic cargo traffic combined to produce an operating profit of $395 million for the first half of JAL's 1990 fiscal year, resulting in a net profit of $214 million.

Operating revenues for the April 1 through Sept. 30 period rose 10.7 percent to $4,295,400,000, while operating expenses, effected by increased jet fuel and other costs, jumped 14.1 percent to $3,900,400,000, which resulted in the $395 million operating profit, down 14.1 percent from the half-year 1989 amount.

Following adjustments for non-operating revenues and expenses and special

profit-and-loss items, JAL's midyear pretax profit came to $401,700,000, up 3.1 percent. Japanese corporate and other tax obligations of $178,400,000 resulted in the $214 million midyear net profit, 18.9 percent above 1989.

JAL carried 4,304,996 international passengers, an increase of 3.5 percent, and 7,643,939 domestic passengers, up 10.3 percent from the same six-month period last year.

The total number of passengers flown was up 7.8 percent to 11,948,935, which produced a combined passenger load factor of 78.5 percent, a full four points higher than in 1989.

Except for a major slump on the Southern Route between Japan and Europe caused by the unstable Mideast situation, passenger traffic on JAL's international routes either increased or stayed about the same for the period. Demand on Japan-China routes showed marked improvement from 1989.

Projections for the end of the fiscal year on March 31, 1991, forsee revenues totaling $8.3 billion, with an operational profit of $225 million. Payment of a 10 percent dividend on par value of JAL stock is also forecast.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLOMBIA (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Corona Corp. (TSE/VSE/ME:ICR.A,ICR.B) (AMEX:ICR.A) announced Friday that it has retained Merrill Lynch Canada Inc. to act as Corona's financial advisor and agent in connection with Corona's planned sale of its oil and gas holdings in Poco Petroleums Ltd. (Poco) and Avalon Corp. (Avalon).

Corona holds a 17 percent direct interest in Poco, a Calgary-based medium-sized oil and gas production and exploration company. Avalon, 71 percent owned by Corona, holds a 32 percent interest in Poco together with an option to purchase 32 percent of Voyager Energy Inc.

Daryl W. Howard, senior vice-president of Merrill Lynch's Calgary office, will direct Merrill Lynch's services in this matter.

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#90306b0770 11/02/1990 ~Business Wire

OKLAHOMA CITY (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Alexander Energy Corp. and Bonray Energy Corp. jointly announced Friday that they have signed a letter of intent for Alexander Energy Corp. to acquire all of the stock of Bonray Energy Corp. for approximately 9 million dollars cash.

Bonray Energy is a privately-held independent oil and gas exploration company headquartered in Oklahoma City. The firm, formed in 1957, has concentrated its activities primarily in Oklahoma, with properties also located in North Dakota, Texas, Kansas and New Mexico.

Reserve estimates as of June 30, 1990 were 590,000 barrels of oil and 3.7 billion cubic feet of natural gas. Bonray holds interests in approximately 155 wells, 80 of which they operate. The proposed acquisition also includes an office building, various equipment and cash.

The acquisition is subject to obtaining acceptable financing and approval of a definitive agreement by each company's board of directors and the stockholders of Bonray.

Commenting on the announcement, Bob G. Alexander, president of Alexander Energy, said, ''We are excited about the merging of our two companies and believe the operations of Bonray will integrate well with our company. Bonray's strong balance sheet and cash flow will further enhance Alexander's improving financials.

''The majority of the Bonray reserves are in the same geographic areas where we have focused much of our exploration activities.''

Alexander Energy Corp. is an oil and gas exploration and production company based in the Mid-Continent Area, with operations in the Gulf Coast and Rocky Mountain Areas. The company's common shares are traded in the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol AEOK.

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#90306b0771 11/02/1990 ~Business Wire

PROVIDENCE, RI (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Nortek Inc. (NYSE:NTK) announced Friday that net sales from continuing operations for the third quarter of 1990 totalled $263,200,000 compared $272,153,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

Net loss for the quarter was $2,700,000, compared to a net loss of $8,300,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

Pre-tax operating earnings from continuing operations for the quarter were $5,776,000, compared to a loss of $407,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

For the third quarter of 1990, net sales increased at the Air Conditioning Group only, with all other groups reporting lower volume, particularly the Plumbing Group, as compared to the third quarter of 1989. Pre-tax results improved at the Wood Group and significantly at the Air Conditioning Group, but these gains were partially offset by losses at the Plumbing Group, as compared to the third quarter of 1989.

During the quarter, the company purchased, at a discount $14,665,000 face amount of its outstanding subordinated debentures.

For the first nine months of 1990, net sales from continuing operations were $812,634,000 compared to $823,449,000 for the first nine months of 1989. Net loss for the first nine months was $2,300,000, compared to a net loss of $5,850,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

Pre-tax operating earnings from continuing operations for the first nine months were $19,795,000, an 84 percent increase over $10,774,000 reported for the first nine months of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, higher sales levels at the Air Conditioning Group were more than offset by lower sales levels at the Wood and Plumbing Groups. Pre-tax earnings at the Air Conditioning Group continue at higher levels, compared to 1989, and reduced losses at the Wood Group were partially offset by a significant drop in earnings at the Plumbing Group, compared to the first nine months of 1989.

Operating results at Universal-Rundle Corp., in the Plumbing Group, have been and continue to be particularly hard hit by weak market conditions, lower volume of shipments to its major customer and a shift of product mix from high volume wholesale customers to retail and other markets, which carry much higher selling costs.

The loss from discontinued operations for the first nine months of 1990 was $1,700,000, compared to earnings from discontinued operations of $3,950,000 for the comparable 1989 period.

The company continued, and is continuing, its debt reduction program. During the first nine months of 1990, the company purchased, at a discount, $42,107,000 face amount of its outstanding subordinated debentures.

As previously released on Oct. 31, 1990, the company announced the retirement of Ralph R. Papitto as chairman and chief executive officer and the election of Richard L. Bready, president, to succeed him as chief executive officer. Payments made by the company to Papitto in connection with his retirement will result in a charge to earnings of 43 cents per share in the fourth quarter of

1990. See paragraph G to the attached Summary of Operations.

Nortek Inc. is a diversified Fortune 500 corporations, manufacturing and marketing residential and commercial building products and commercial ventilating and air conditioning systems.

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Richard J. Harris, 401/751-1600

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#90306b0777 11/02/1990 ~Business Wire

AUSTIN, Texas (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Healthcare International Inc. (ASE PSE:HII) Friday announced that James L. Fariss Jr., chairman of the company's board of directors, died yesterday following an extended illness.

Fariss had been employed by the company and its predecessor, The Brown Schools since 1963 and had served as chairman since 1979. He relinquished the duties of chief executive officer in May 1990, when health problems prevented his active involvement in the company's daily affairs.

Fariss continued as chairman of the company's board of directors until his death.

Jean P. Smith, president and chief executive officer of Healthcare, said Fariss will be remembered by his many friends and colleagues for his profound dedication, commitment to excellence, and his strong personal character.

''As a founder of our company and a member of the executive management of the Brown Schools for many years, James provided direction and leadership that will surely be missed,'' she noted.

''His integrity and concern for patients and employees established a corporate culture to which Healthcare International remains firmly committed.''

Fariss was an active member of the board of governors of the Federation of American Health Systems. He maintained numerous professional affiliations, including the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants, the National Association of Private Psychiatric Hospitals, and the Texas Hospital Association.

Healthcare International provides a wide range of health care products and services to both local and national markets through 21 facilities in 4 states. The company's class A common stock is listed for trading on the American and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol HII.

CONTACT: Corporate Communications Inc. Patrick J. Watson, 615/254-3376

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#90306b0799 11/02/1990 ~Business Wire
WALTHAM, MA (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - The Reece Corporation (NYSE:RCE) Friday announced a third-quarter 1990 net loss of $1,532,000, or 61 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $975,000, or 39 cents per share, in the 1989 period.

Revenues were $11,513,000, down from $12,768,000 in 1989's third quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company had a net loss of $4,399,000, or $1.74 per share, compared with a loss of $401,000, or 16 cents per share, in the comparable 1989 period. Included in the 1990 nine-month results was a $775,000 charge in the second quarter for closure of a distribution center in North Carolina.

Peter J. Abate, president and chief executive officer, said, ''The company's financial results continued to be adversely affected by softness in the North American and selected western European markets. We continue to consolidate our marketing, distribution and manufacturing operations in line with present business conditions. We expect the current soft market to continue into 1991 and therefore are taking further steps to match our resources to expected requirements.''

Abate said the company had recently closed an administrative office in Dallas, had reduced staff in the United Kingdom, and had consolidated manufacturing operations from a small Fall River, Mass., facility to its Gorham, Maine, plant. The consolidation of the North Carolina distribution center was also completed.

The Reece Corporation manufactures and distributes specialized apparel machinery and provides engineering services to the worldwide clothing industry.

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or
Sharon Merrill Associates, Boston
Maureen Wolff, 617/482-0400

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#90306c0003 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Katy Ind. Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol KT. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Balfour Maclaine has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol BML. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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#90306c0005 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 16 1990, Tubby's Inc.(TICKER: TUBY) sold its two restaurant properties located in New Brunswick and East Brunswick, New Jersey, to Double W Restaurants Inc. for a total of $1.48 million.

Of that total, $170,000 was paid in cash as a down payment, and the remaining balance, $1.33 million, including closing costs and inventory, was represented by two promissory notes of the purchaser.

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#90306c0006 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Technical Ventures Inc.(TICKER: TEVT) lost $761,353, or $0.10 per share, on revenues of $117,817 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $996,731, or $0.16 per share, on revenues of $68,110 for fiscal 1989.

The company is a development stage enterprise, and reports sales were insignificant for the last three years.

Technical Ventures' executive offices are located at 3411 McNicoll Avenue, Unit 11, Scarborough, Ontario, Canada M1V2V6, and its telephone number is (416) 299-9280.

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#90306c0007 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows DBA Systems (TICKER: DBAS), on Oct. 8, 1990, was served with a complaint filed in the circuit court for Brevard County, Florida, by ICSD Corp., alleging that DBA was in breach of an agreement with ICSD regarding the prosecution of a claim under a firm, fixed-price contract.

On Oct. 17, 1990, the circuit court entered an order in the ICSD action, directing the settlement proceeds be deposited with the court, pending resolution of the action.

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#90306c0008 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Seaboard Savings and Loan Association (TICKER: SEAB), on Oct. 31, 1990, completed its conversion to a federally chartered stock savings bank (Seaboard Federal).

The bank also completed its reorganization into the holding company form of organization.

As a result, Seaboard Federal became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Seaboard Bancorp Inc. (SBI), previously formed as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Seaboard Savings and Loan Association to facilitate the reorganization.

The reorganization was effected by the merger of Seaboard Federal Interim Savings Bank, formerly a federally chartered interim stock savings bank, wholly-owned by SBI, with and into Seaboard Federal in agreement with a plan of merger dated March 12, 1990, between SBI, the association, Seaboard Federal and Seaboard Federal Interim.

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#90306c0009 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of BSB Bancorp. Inc.(TICKER: BSBN) on Oct. 22, 1990, announced that the stock repurchase program adopted by the company's board of directors on May 29, 1990, has been completed.

The company repurchased 160,000 shares of common stock, representing approximately 5% of issued and outstanding company common stock.

The board additionally announced the adoption of a new stock repurchase program, pursuant to which up to 120,000 shares of common stock, representing approximately 4% of its currently issued and outstanding shares of common stock, may be purchased.

The board also announced a $0.03 increase in its quarterly cash dividend, to $0.18 per share.

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#90306c0011 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Dotronix Inc.(TICKER: DOTX) as of Oct. 1, 1990, entered an amended revolving credit agreement with National City Bank of Minneapolis, dated as of May 11, 1990.

Under this agreement, the bank agrees to make advances and a term loan.

The advances are evidenced by a promissory note dated May 11, 1990, payable by

Dotronix to National in the original principal amount of $7.50 million.

The obligation of Dotronix to repay the term loan is evidenced by the promissory note from Dotronix to the bank dated Dec. 31, 1987 in the original principal amount of $2.0 million.

As of Oct. 1, 1990, the unpaid principal balance of the revolving note is $5.50 million, and accrued and unpaid interest to Oct. 1, 1990 is $50,416.66.

As of that date, the unpaid principal balance of the term note is $1.0 million and the accrued and unpaid interest to that date is $8,750.

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#90306c0012 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 12 1990, Landmark/Community Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: LCBI) of Hartford, Connecticut, announced that federal and state regulators seemed willing to resume consideration of the bank's application to merge its two bank subsidiaries, Community National Bank of Glastonbury, Connecticut, and Landmark Bank, of Hartford.

Landmark had previously reported that a merger of the two banks would enable the combined entity to realize significant cost savings.

In its first quarterly report to shareholders this year, Landmark president Louis Bossie said regulatory approval would not be triggered until Landmark reached a primary capital ratio of 8%.

Landmark announced last month that in an effort to raise capital for Community National Bank,it had approved the distribution of all common stock of Community to existing shareholders of Landmark, after which it anticipated that Community National Bank would undertake a rights offering to its shareholders.

The board of directors of Community has since determined, however, that it is unlikely a rights offering can be successfully undertaken in the current economic environment.

As a result, Landmark has suspended for the time being its plan to distribute Community common stock to existing shareholders.

Landmark reports it is considering alternatives for raising capital.

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#90306c0013 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:40 that trade in

State Street Boston Corp.(NASDAQ: STBK) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 23 1/4. The company is located in Boston, MA.

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#90306c0014 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 20, 1990, Raymond J. Labbe resigned as president and chief executive officer and a director of Westbank Corp.

He was succeeded in those offices by Donald R. Chase.

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#90306c0015 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 25 1990, Ameribanc Inc.(TICKER: ABNK) and Gerald R. Sprong entered a letter of agreement providing for Sprong's early retirement from his employment as president, chief executive officer and director of Ameribanc.

Charles H. Price II, chairman of the board, has been elected to the additional office of president and chief executive officer.

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#90306c0016 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 17 1990, the accounting firm of Dalessio, Thierman & Leben withdrew as Portafone's certifying accountants, but remain the company's internal auditors.

On Oct. 22, 1990, Portafone engaged the firm of Sidney A. Kaplan to act as the company's accountants.

In other news, Portafone appointed Dr. William L. Fischbein as treasurer and elected him a director, replacing Matthew Edwards, who resigned Oct. 17, 1990.

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#90306c0017 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 29 1990, VME Group N.V., 50% of which is owned by Clark Equipment Co.(TICKER: CKL), announced that VME is making a bid to acquire the remaining outstanding shares of Akermans Verkstad AB, a Swedish manufacturer of hydraulic excavators.

Before making the bid, VME owned shares in Akermans corresponding to 4.5% of the capital and 29.3% of the voting rights.

The price to be paid by VME for the acquisition is 148 Swedish kronor per

share (approximately equivalent to U.S. $25.74 per share).

The aggregate purchase price for all the outstanding shares not currently owned by VME would be 484,883,816 Swedish kronor, or approximately U.S. $84.33 million.

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#90306c0019 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 25, 1990, the board of directors of Ivy Medical Inc. passed a resolution to close the office, dissolve the corporation and call a meeting of shareholders to take action on the resolution.

The company's executive offices are located at 7411 Washington Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55439, and its telephone number is (612) 944-8857.

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#90306c0020 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Belmoral Mines Ltd.(TICKER: BMEEF) announced that effective Aug. 1, 1990, Aur Resources Inc.(TICKER: AURRF) has purchased a 50% undivided interest in Belmoral's Bourlamaque property located near Val d'Or, Quebec.

The sale includes interest in the Ferderber and Dumont Mines, mill and ancillary assets.

It also includes mining leases, concessions and mineral claims covering approximately 21,000 acres. As part of the sale, Aur has agreed to lend Belmoral $3.50 million on closing, of which $2.0 million is earmarked for underground exploration and development.

Aur has also agreed to allocate $2.0 million for underground exploration and development at the mines.

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#90306c0021 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 26, 1990, American Savings Bank F.A. of Stockton, California, and San Francisco Federal Savings and Loan Association, a wholly-owned subsidiary of SFFED Corp.(TICKER: SSFD), entered an agreement to purchase certain assets and assume liabilities by which American and San Francisco will exchange deposit liabilities and certain related assets domiciled in certain branches.

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#90306c0022 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 29, 1990, an amended complaint was filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, West Palm Beach Division, in which Ann Monica Morhaim, custodian for Allison Morhaim, containing class action claims against the defendants, directors and officers of FPL Group Inc.(TICKER: FPL), the parent company of FPL Group Capital Inc.

Defendants named include Marshall McDonald, James L. Broadhead, John L. Hudiburg, Richard W. Ohman, Robert E. Tallon, J.L. Howard, M.P. Anthony, David Blumberg and Jean McArthur Davis.

The amended complaint charges that the defendants caused FPL Group to make material misrepresentations and omit material information from certain of FPL Group's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission and other public documents with respect to the financial and operating condition and prospects of the company's non-utility businesses, in violation of various provisions of the federal securities laws and state law.

The amended complaint seeks unspecified money damages, a declaration voiding the election of directors and other business conducted at the 1987 to 1990 annual meetings of shareholders, attorneys' and other fees and costs and other equitable relief.

Management of FPL Group has stated the suit is without merit and intends to defend it vigorously.

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#90306c0023 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 1, 1990, James J. Manfield, Jr. was elected treasurer of Vitronics Corp. (TICKER: VTC).

Manfield's appointment fills the vacancy created by the resignation of Elliot M. Katzman on Aug. 20, 1990.

Vitronics' executive office is located at 4 Forbes Road, Newmarket Industrial Park, Newmarket, NH 03857 and its telephone number is (603) 659-6550.

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#90306c0024 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:02 that trade in General Motors Class E has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol GM.

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#90306c0025 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 19 1990, Michael C. Duban resigned as an officer of Nature's Bounty Inc. (TICKER: NBTY).

The company's executive office is located at 90 Orville Drive, Bohemia, NY 11716 and its telephone number is (516) 567-9500.

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#90306c0027 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 1, 1990, Resnick Worldwide Inc. and Specialized Communications Inc. announced the signing of a licensing agreement.

The agreement concerns the Resnick Tone Emitter Intraoral Electrolarynx.

Specialized Communications has the U.S. based marketing rights to sell products of Castellini USA, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Castellini S.A. of Bologna, Italy.

Castellini S.A. is a manufacturer of up-scale dental workstations which are marketed in the U.S. by Castellini USA through Specialized Communications Inc.

The Resnick Tone Emitter is a custom dental appliance.

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#90306c0028 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 29, 1990, Richmond Capital Corp. engaged Samson Robbins & Associates as its independent accountants, replacing Brenner & Ianne.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

Richmond Capital's executive office is located at 7441 Marvin D. Love Freeway, Dallas, Texas 75237. Its telephone number is (214) 780-8000.

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#90306c0029 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 20 1990, Publicker Industries Inc.(TICKER: PUL) announced it signed definitive agreements to purchase 10 domestic businesses from a unit of Hanson Industries for $36 million in cash.

Hanson Industries is the U.S. arm of Hanson plc.(TICKER: HAN).

The 10 businesses' combined unaudited results for the 12 months ended Sept. 30 1990 include sales of approximately $82 million and earnings before interest, taxes, corporate charges and nonrecurring items of approximately $5.8 million.

Publicker's executive office is located at 1445 East Putnam Ave., Old Greenwich, CT 06870. Its telephone number is (203) 637-4500.

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#90306c0030 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Data Display Corp.(TICKER: DADC) has appointed BDO Seidman as its independent auditors for the calendar year of 1990, replacing Laventhol & Horwath.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

Data Display's executive office is located at 5171 Eldorado Springs Drive, Boulder, Colorado 80303. Its telephone number is (303) 494-9400.

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#90306c0031 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 24 1990, CRSS Inc.(TICKER: CRX) dismissed its former certifying accountants, KMMG Peat Marwick, and engaged the firm of Ernst & Young as its principal accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90306c0032 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 22 1990, the board of directors of Biltmore Bank Corp. elected to dismiss its former accountants, Deloitte & Touche, to facilitate coordination of consolidated financial statements with Johnson International Bancorp, Biltmore's majority shareholder.

Biltmore subsequently engaged Arthur Andersen & Co. as its principal accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

The company's executive offices are located at 2425 East Camelback Road, Suite 100, Phoenix, AZ 85016, and its telephone number is (602) 381-6800.

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#90306c0033 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Banyan Corp.(TICKER: BYC) and a wholly-owned subsidiary, Andrew Marc Inc., in connection with their entering into a revolving credit facility, have granted to lenders in the agreement a security interest in substantially all their respective assets. This extends the security interests previously granted to such lenders under Banyan's pre-existing credit facility.

The lenders in the agreement include Continental Bank N.A., Chase Manhattan Bank N.A., French American Banking Corp. and Harris Trust and Savings Bank.

Banyan's executive offices are located at 545 Eighth Avenue, New York, NY 10018, and its telephone number is (212) 594-6733.

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#90306c0035 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 16, 1990, the bankruptcy court for the Central District of Los Angeles approved a settlement agreement regarding various litigation and claims between Care Enterprises Inc. and Paradigm Corp. and affiliates, including the former controlling shareholder of Americare Corp.

The settlement provides for the mutual release of all claims, actions and debts between Care and Paradigm, except for undisputed leases and obligations in effect at the settlement date.

It also provides for Paradigm Group to transfer all its equity interests in Care Group (TICKER: CARE) to Care upon closing of the agreement.

The settlement does not require any cash payments by either party.

Paradigm Group had filed claims in a total amount of approximately $516.0 million in Care's Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings.

Care had filed objections and counterclaims to these claims in the bankruptcy court, and, as such, had not recorded any material adjustments to its financial statements for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

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#90306c0036 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Survival Technology Inc.(TICKER: SURV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$20,100,200	$16,632,100
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(360,900)	$(1,444,700)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$(0.51)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,771,200	$12,694,500
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,254,400	$5,135,000

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#90306c0037 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Central and Southern Holding Co.(TICKER: CSBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,587,771	$6,341,803
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$578,800	$741,899
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.17	$0.22
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,397,327	3,397,327

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 31, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$239,670,068	$231,436,086
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	$21,118,496	$20,285,048

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#90306c0038 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Barden (TICKER: BARD) announced on Nov. 1, 1990 that it has extended its offer from Nov. 2 to Nov. 16, 1990 to permit conditions of the offer to be satisfied.

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#90306c0039 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 47

GROUP LED BY HERITAGE MEDIA CORP OF GROUP LED BY DALLAS, TX OWNS 2,901,242 SHARES (78.60%) OF POP RADIO CORP (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 22, 1990, HMSI sold 609,041 to Heritage Acquisition for $12 to $19 per share. On Nov. 1, 1990, Heritage made a capital contribution of 115,600 shares to HMSI. The shareholder agreement and the plaintiff proxies terminated in accordance with their terms on Oct. 31, 1990.

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#90306c0040 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 1,806,000 SHARES (7.90%) OF MAXTOR CORP (TICKER: MXTR) OF SAN JOSE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 396
#90306c0041 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

D. RUBIN OWNS 482,500 SHARES (10.32%) OF CENTURY LABORATORIES INC (TICKER: CNTL).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a technology transfer agreement dated April 15, 1990 Century Laboratories Inc. acquired from D. Rubin all of his rights and patents and patent applications for certain of D. Rubin's asthma treatment technology for 200,000 Century Laboratories Inc. common shares. On April 27, 1990 D. Rubin exercised an option to purchase 62,500 Century Laboratories Inc. common shares at 50 cents per share.

-30- 714
#90306c0043 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY REGAL-AIRCOA COMPANIES INC OWNS 1,342,903 SHARES (43.30%) OF AIRCOA HOTEL PARTNERS LP (TICKER: AHT) OF DENVER, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

A commission of $.25 per unit or $53,000 was paid to Loeb Financial Services Inc. for brokerage services in connection with the purchase of 212,000 units.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 22, 1990, Regal Hotel Management Inc. purchased 212,000 units for an aggregate purchase price of $865,000 or $4.08 per unit.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 717
#90306c0044 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY ROPART PARTNERS LP OWNS 1,391,806 SHARES (23.60%) OF FILMSTAR INC (TICKER: FLTR).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a letter agreement, dated Oct. 30, 1990, Partners and the Company agreed, in accordance with the provisions of the purchase agreement, dated Sept. 21, 1989, as amended by the stock exchange agreement, dated Feb. 15, 1990, that Partners has the right to purchase from the Company 20 investor units, each investor unit consisting of 20 shares of class C preferred stock which may be converted into 10,000 shares of common stock, and series F warrants which may be exercised for 5,373 shares of common stock. Under the purchase agreement, as amended, the option to purchase investor units arises on Oct. 15, 1990.

-30- 950
#90306c0045 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

R.D. HUBBARD OWNS 391,882 SHARES (9.90%) OF HOLLYWOOD PARK ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: HTRF) OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 31, 1990, Mr. Hubbard delivered a notice of stockholders proposals and nominations to the Companies in accordance with Section 2.13 of Article II of the bylaws which sets forth a pre-meeting notification procedure for stockholders intending to bring business before a meeting of the respective Companies' shareholders. The notice sets forth Mr. Hubbard's intention to propose that the stockholders of each Company set the order of business at

each annual meeting so that his proposal to fix the number of directors at eleven is considered immediately prior to the election of directors of the respective Companies; propose that the stockholders act at the annual meeting of each Company to set the number of directors constituting the whole board of such Company at eleven; and nominate the following eleven candidates at each annual meeting for election to the board of directors of each Company: Messrs. R. D. Hubbard, Hary Ornest, Kjell Qvale, Robert T. Manfuso, Howard W. Koch, F. Van Kasper, Richard J. Boushka, Herman Sarkowsky, Warren B. Williamson, John V. Newman and J. R. Johnson.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From May 15, 1989 through July 31, 1990, R.D. Hubbard purchased 391,882 shares of paired stock for an aggregate price of $11,123,135 and sold 1,000 shares for an undisclosed consideration.

-30- 1680
#90306c0046 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 22, 1990, K.W. Galbraith filed a civil action seeking money damages in excess of $2,000,000 and other relief against Affiliated Banc Corp., (TICKER: ABCV) Vanguard Savings Bank, and certain present and past directors and/or officers of Affiliated Banc Corp. in the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts, CA No. 90-12546MA. The complaint includes claims for relief under the federal securities laws, the Federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act and the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for breach of fiduciary duty, intentional or fraudulent misrepresentation, negligent misrepresentation, unfair trade practices and breach of contract. The allegations are that at various times beginning in January 1987, K.W. Galbraith purchased shares on Affiliated Banc Corp.'s common stock but that to induce these purchases, the defendants disseminated materially false and misleading statements to K.W. Galbraith, his agents and others and failed to disclose material information at times when the defendants knew or should have known of the false and misleading nature of the information disseminated.

-30- 1376
#90306c0047 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY MIM HOLDINGS LTD OWNS 11,976,700 SHARES (35.30%) OF GRANGES INC (TICKER: GXL) OF VANCOUVER, CANADA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 9 through Oct. 23, 1990, MIM Holdings LTD purchased 379,400 shares at a price of CDN$1.20 to CDN$1.30 per share.

PURPOSE:

To increase ownership and investment.

-30- 510

#90306c0048 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in General Motors Class E has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol GM. Trading was resumed at 13:23.

-30- 355

#90306c0049 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:50 that trade in State Street Boston Corp. (NASDAQ: SPBK) has been resumed. The first sale was 24-1/8; up 7/8 point from the halt, and up 1-3/4 points from the previous close.

-30- 380

#90306c0051 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

TANKNOLOGY ENVIRONMENTAL FILES WITH SEC TO REGISTER 2.45 MILLION SHARES

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - Tanknology Environmental Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 2 million shares of its common stock with an additional 450,000 shares being offered by one of the shareholders of the company.

The initial public offering price is still to be determined.

First Boston Corp. and Cazenove Inc. are managing the offering.

Tanknology provides a range of environmental services nationwide to owners and operators of underground storage tanks and related lines, including testing services, ancillary services and corrosion protection services.

The company's executive office is located at 5225 Hollister, Houston, Texas 77040 and its telephone number is (713) 690-8265.

-30- 922
#90306c0052 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - Finevest Foods Inc.(TICKER: FVF) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it is issuing to holders of its common stock transferable rights to subscribe for an aggregate of 13.25 million shares of common stock at a price of $3.00 per share.

Each holder of common stock will be entitled to receive one right for each share of common stock held.

Each right will enable the holder to purchase one and one-quarter shares of common stock.

Finevest is a wholesale distributor of frozen foods and dairy products.

-30- 693
#90306c0053 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - Lands of Awes of Kansas Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1.20 million shares of its common stock at a price of $5.00 per share.

Lands of Awes of Kansas was organized in 1990 to begin the development of a theme park at Baxter Springs, Kansas.

The park will be developed in a theme atmosphere based on the historical sites nostalgia and basic pioneer culture and the rich heritage of the area.

The company's executive office is located at 122 West 11th Street, Baxter Springs, Kansas.

-30- 732
#90306c0054 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - Cifra S.A. de C.V. has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares each representing one Series B share with no par value of Cifra S.A. de C.V.

The depositary bank is Security Pacific National Trust Co. and its telephone number is (212) 978-5009.

Sixty million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $0.05 per unit.

The registration fee is $750.

-30- 633
#90306c0055 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - Par Capital Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 50,000 units.

Each unit consists of one sahre of common stock, one Class A warrant and one Class B warrant.

Each Class A warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $5.00 per share and each Class B warrant entitles the holder to purchase one common share at $10.00.

The initial public offering price is $1.00 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 32 East Boathouse Lane, Bayshore, NY 11706 and its telephone number is (516) 277-6677.

-30- 903
#90306c0056 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - Aquarian Acquisitions Inc. filed a registration statment with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 3 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and two common stock purchase warrants.

The initial public offering price is $0.05 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 450 Old Courthouse Road, Manhasset Hills, NY 11040 and its telephone number is (516) 365-7666.

-30- 740
#90306c0057 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 2) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:40 that trade in Xylogics Inc.(NASDAQ: XLGC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 5 1/2. The company is located in Burlington, MA.

-30- 330
#90306c0059 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 31 1990, John Hanson Savings Bank F.S.B. announced the consummation of its reorganization into a savings bank holding company called John Hanson Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: JHSL).

The savings bank's common stock is now wholly-owned by John Hanson Bancorp Inc. and each share of common stock of John Hanson Savings Bank previously outstanding now represents one share of common stock of the new holding company.

-30- 635

#90306c0060 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by JRM Holdings Inc.(TICKER: JRMX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$523,368	$846,884
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$4,211	$(208,883)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$668	$123,197
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,720,157	1,720,157

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,075,993	$4,508,169
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,996,903	$3,966,235

-30- 1064

#90306c0061 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sunstyle Corp.(TICKER: SSCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$2,784,886	$3,454,955
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$97,645	$(101,650)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.09	$(0.09)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,803,675	$11,702,413
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,172,182	$2,449,161

-30- 965

#90306c0062 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by M. Kamenstein Inc.(TICKER: MKCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,672,000	$9,710,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$712,000	$634,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.29	$0.26
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,480,776	2,480,776

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$14,270,000	$11,560,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,545,000	$9,521,000

-30- 1031

#90306c0063 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by GMX Communications Inc.(TICKER: GMXC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$37,915,739	$32,563,229
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(4,346,075)	$(421,544)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	43,397,659	43,730,992

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,478,045	$16,043,353
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$489,397	$4,835,472

-30- 1041
#90306c0064 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L.M. ROVICK OF 2015 WEST 49TH, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55409, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. THROUGH R J STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 26, 1990.

(CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. TEL: 612 941-5093)

-30- 425
#90306c0065 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.B. SIMSON OF 768 MUSTIN LANE, VILLANOVA, PA 19085, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF ARRHYTHMIA RESEARCH TECHNOLOGY THROUGH OLDE DISCOUNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 26, 1990.

(ARRHYTHMIA RESEARCH TECHNOLOGY TEL: 512 343-6912)

-30- 435
#90306c0067 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VALMAR LTD OF 2760 HARRISON BLVD, OGDEN, UT 84403, HAS FILED TO SELL 250,000 SHARES OF ROYAL PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. (TICKER: RYPH) THROUGH WASATCH STOCK TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 30, 1990.

(ROYAL PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. TEL: 801 268-9797)

-30- 432
#90306c0068 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A.M. DAVIS OF 1706 HILLSIDE AVE, NORCO, CA 91760, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF RAMEX SYNFUELS INTL INC.(TICKER: RAMS) THROUGH GORIAN THORNES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 29, 1990.

(RAMEX SYNFUELS INTL INC. TEL: 501 474-7906)

-30- 426
#90306c0069 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - F.J. WOODWARD II OF 3216 BRYANT AVE, LAS VEGAS, NV 89102, HAS FILED TO SELL 1,000,000 SHARES OF LAS VEGAS RESORTS CORP. THROUGH BOETTCHER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 29, 1990.

(LAS VEGAS RESORTS CORP. TEL: 702 735-6777)

-30- 419
#90306c0070 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.R. BUCHANAN OF 1990 PHEASANT CIRCLE, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84121, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MICROSHARE CORP.(TICKER: MRSH) THROUGH WASATCH STOCK TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 29, 1990.

(MICROSHARE CORP. TEL: 801 262-6755)

-30- 418
#90306c0071 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EMILY M DIGBY OF 18 BREWSTER COURT, ALLEN, TX 75002, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,564 SHARES OF TIPPERARY CORP. (TICKER: TIPR) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(TIPPERARY CORP. TEL: 303 293-9379)

-30- 401

#90306c0072 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT P OUELLETTE OF 2520 MIDWAY ST, 0, FALLS CHURCH, VA 22046, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF VERSAR INC. (TICKER: VSR) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(VERSAR INC. TEL: 703 750-3000)

-30- 398
#90306c0073 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARY J GERARD OF 2200 CYPRESS BEND #802, POMPANO BCH, FL 32069, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF VIDEO SUPERSTORES OF AMERICA INC (TICKER: VDSA) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(VIDEO SUPERSTORES OF AMERICA INC TEL: 305 767-4666)

-30- 462
#90306c0075 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALICE L ANDERSON OF 712 PARKWAY, 0, CLAY CENTER, KS 67432, HAS FILED TO SELL 63,000 SHARES OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN (TICKER: GTRO) THROUGH SCHNEIDER SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL IN TEL: 817 442-2665)

-30- 465
#90306c0076 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELZA PAUL III OF 11801 PHOENIX NE, ALBUEQUERQUE, NM 87111, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF FIBERCHEM INC. (TICKER: FOCS) THROUGH BHC SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 26, 1990.

(FIBERCHEM INC. TEL: 702 361-9873)

-30- 393
#90306c0077 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FIRST ASSET MANAGEMENT OF 120 SOUTH 6TH ST, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55480, HAS

FILED TO SELL 5,800 SHARES OF PATTERN PROCESSING TECHNOLOGIES (TICKER: PPRO) THROUGH JOHN G KINNARD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(PATTERN PROCESSING TECHNOLOGIES TEL: 612 942-5747)

-30- 478
#90306c0078 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A GIB DEBUSK OF 3583 DORIS DR, TALLAHASSEE, FL 32303, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,475 SHARES OF ENVIRONMENTAL DIAGNOSTICS INC. (TICKER: EDIT) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 25, 1990.

(ENVIRONMENTAL DIAGNOSTICS INC. TEL: 919 226-6311)

-30- 443
#90306c0079 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVESTMENTS AGS OF 464 HUDSON TERRACE, 0, ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ 07632, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,921 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH JONES GABLE & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 29, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 201 569-4141)

-30- 406
#90306c0080 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VIETCUONG N DANG OF 362 STACEY COM, 0, FREMONT, CA 94530, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,077 SHARES OF TELEVIDEO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TELV) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(TELEVIDEO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 954-8333)

-30- 426
#90306c0081 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFFREY H ERICKSON OF 7554 BURR RIDGE COURT, 0, BURR RIDGE, IL 60525, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF MIDWAY AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: MDW) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(MIDWAY AIRLINES INC. TEL: 312 838-0001)

-30- 434
#90306c0083 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREIMARK BLAIR & CO INC EPSP OF 1755 BUTTERFIELD RD, LIBERTYVILLE, IL 60048, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,699 SHARES OF FOLIAGE PLUS INC. (TICKER: FOLI) THROUGH FREIMARK BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(FOLIAGE PLUS INC. TEL: 708 918-0077)

-30- 443
#90306c0084 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - Tyrex Oil (TICKER: TYRX) filed has announced the following results for its first quarter earnings period:

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$491,433	$336,309
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,448	$(62,627)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,257,383	$3,359,944
WORKING CAPITAL	$489,957	$357,581

-30- 931
#90306c0085 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Herley Industries Inc.(TICKER: HRLY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$12,767,736	$10,208,994
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$384,979	$260,807
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.14	$0.09

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$19,151,366	$21,713,924
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,303,354	$7,895,486

-30- 958

#90306c0086 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Rawson-Koenig Inc.(TICKER: RAKO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,558,000	$3,110,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$20,000	$18,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$59,000	$56,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.01

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,284,000	$7,887,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,976,000	$2,799,000

-30- 981

#90306c0087 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Zentec Corp.(TICKER: ZENT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,354,000	$3,008,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(18,000)	$(1,476,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.44)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,555,000	3,555,000

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,658,000	$6,137,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT	$(4,873,000)	$(4,684,000)

-30- 1027

#90306c0088 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest Form 8 report filed at the NASD by Memry Corp.(TICKER: MRMT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,657,000	$444,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,339,000)	$(1,966,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.45)	$(0.31)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,259,007	6,663,281

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,678,000	$2,555,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,169,000	$1,429,000

-30- 1023

#90306c0089 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Orbis Inc.(TICKER: ORBS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$592,626
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(13,542)	$(138,599)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,010,600	4,010,600

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$759,086	$775,652
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$389,904	$217,577

-30- 989
#90306c0091 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Softguard Systems Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,524,854	$807,313
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$186,527	$59,714
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,457,093	1,890,000

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,539,231	$1,178,959
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$842,195	$219,999

-30- 1029
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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by O.I. Corp.(TICKER: OICO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,149,000	$3,060,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$532,000	$210,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.15	$0.06
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,455,552	3,445,991

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,680,000	$5,978,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,487,000	$3,110,000

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#90306c0093 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 1,421,549 SHARES (13.74%) OF TRIAD SYSTEMS CORP (TICKER: TRSC) OF LIVERMORE, CA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 96,889 shares from Oct. 3-30, 1990 for $2.06 to $2.38 per share and sold 2,500 shares on Oct. 15, 1990 for $2.06 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 1,394,144 SHARES (16.22%) OF C-TEC CORP (TICKER: CTEX) OF WILKES-BARRE, PA.

LATEST TRANSACTION: Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 79,400 shares from Oct. 12-30, 1990 for $13.63 to $14.75 per share, purchased 27,900 class B shares and sold 10,800 class B shares from Oct. 12-30, 1990 for $16.58 to $18 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

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#90306c0095 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

LOMAK PETROLEUM INC OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS OWNS 3,808,695 SHARES (39.30%) OF DALLAS OIL & MINERALS INC (TICKER: DOIL) OF FORT WORTH, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Lomak Petroleum Inc. announced on Oct. 29, 1990 that it has filed materials with the SEC covering the merger of Dallas Oil & Minerals Inc. into Lomak. The outstanding shares of Dallas Oil & Minerals Inc. will be exchanged for Lomak shares subject to approval of shareholders at a special meeting to be held in mid-December.

PURPOSE:

Merger.

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#90306c0096 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, OFFICER OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

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#90306c0097 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, OFFICER OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

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#90306c0099 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, OFFICER OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

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#90306c0100 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JOHN B NEFF, OFFICER OF GEMINI II INC. CAPITAL SHARES (TICKER: GMI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,800.

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#90306c0101 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, PARK FINL PSSP PROSPECT, BEN. OWNER OF PROSPECT PARK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PPSA), BOUGHT 3,329 SHARES AT $8.61 PER SHARE.

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#90306c0102 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, PARK FINL PSSP PROSPECT, BEN. OWNER OF PROSPECT PARK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PPSA), BOUGHT 1,902 SHARES AT $8.61 PER SHARE.

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#90306c0103 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, PARK FINL PSSP PROSPECT, BEN. OWNER OF PROSPECT PARK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PPSA), BOUGHT 297 SHARES AT $8.61 PER SHARE.

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#90306c0104 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 21

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 31, 1990, Kansas Gas & Electric Co. (TICKER: KGE) the company filed a motion to suspend procedural schedule with the state corporation commission of the State of Kansas.

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#90306c0108 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 19

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 492,522 SHARES (12.70%) OF PERINI INVESTMENT PROPERTIES INC (TICKER: PNV) OF FRAMINGHAM, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Harris Associates LP purchased 38,600 shares from Sept. 12 to Oct. 23, 1990 for $4.38 to $7.05 per share.

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#90306c0110 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 207,800 SHARES (4.50%) OF CAMBREX CORP (TICKER: CBAM) OF BAYONNE, NEW JERSEY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Harris Associates LP sold 45,000 shares Oct. 24, 1990 for $5.01 per share.

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#90306c0111 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY PRUTECH PROJECT DEV PARTNERS OWNS 1,061,800 SHARES (8.60%) OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC (TICKER: BEAM) OF WATERTOWN, MA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 1 through Oct. 23, 1990, Prutech Project Dev. Partners sold 261,350 shares for a price of $9.94 to $10.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

To obtain an equity position in Summit Technology Inc. for long-term investment.

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#90306c0112 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GENERAL CINEMA CORP OF CHESTNUT HILL, MA OWNS 24,880,015 SHARES (60.30%) OF NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP INC (TICKER: NMG) OF CHESTNUT HILL, MA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 31, 1990 General Cinema acquired 533,205 shares (the "1990 dividend shares") of NMG common stock pursuant to the DRIP. as a dividend on the 16,292,073 shares of adjustable voting common stock and 1,000,000 shares of adjustable voting preferred stock held by General Cinema.

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#90306c0113 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - Chronar Corp.(TICKER: CRNR), a Lawrenceville, New Jersey, solar-energy panel manufacturer, has sold its Chronar Ltd. British subsidiary to International Display Materials Inc., a company owned by Chronar Corp.'s Chairman, Dr. Zoltan Kiss, in exchange for the assumption of about $700,000 in debt, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 2, 1990.

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#90306c0114 11/02/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - El Paso, Texas-based Farah Inc.(TICKER: FRA) has rescinded a previous agreement under which it acquired manufacturing

facilities in Mexico.

Farah's Durango S.A. subsidiary acquired the facilities for 330,00 Farah common shares but the deal was rescinded because the seller defaulted on certain obligations, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 2, 1990.

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#90306c0115 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - Stamford, Conn.-based Nycom Information Services Inc.(TICKER: NYCM) has acquired Eastern Pay Phones Inc., a privately held Richmond, Va., provider of pay-telephone services.

Nycom acquired the company in a stock-swap merger, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 2, 1990.

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#90306c0116 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The New Jersey Department of Banking has approved a request by Basking Ridge, N.J.-based Growth Financial Corp. to open the fourth office of its Growth Bank subsidiary in Morris Township, New Jersey.

Growth Financial received approval from the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for the new branch Sept. 19, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 2, 1990.

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#90306d1770 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO NOV. 2) - Japan's Mitsubishi Motors Corp. said Friday its net profit leapt 29.4 percent from a year earlier to 12.1 billion yen (87 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, Japan's third-biggest vehicle manufacturer, said sales grew 12.4 percent to 1.06 trillion yen (7.7 billion dollars) in the same period.

Sales of motor vehicles climbed 14.9 percent to 813 billion yen (5.9 billion dollars) while sales of parts for overseas production jumped 27.2 per cent to

93 billion yen (674 million dollars). But sales of other parts and products fell 5.3 percent to 153 billion yen (1.1 billion dollars).

Mitsubishi's overall vehicle sales advanced from 603,400 units to 629,800 although exports fell from 279,700 units to 269,600.

Sales of regular cars rose from 293,800 units to 309,500 while sales of mini cars climbed from 139,700 units to 152,400. Sales of small trucks fell from 88,700 units to 79,300 while sales of large trucks grew from 77,300 units to 83,800. Sales of buses climbed from 3,900 units to 4,800, the company said.

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#90306d1810 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 2) - The Japan Atomic Industrial Forum has reached a basic accord with the Chinese government to jointly develop high-level radioactive waste disposal methods in China, Jiji Press reported Friday.

The news agency said specifics of the plan would be worked out when Japanese officials inspected facilties at Taiyuan, Shansi province, in January next year.

The basic agreement was reached in late October when officials of the China Nuclear Industry Corp. visited Japan, according to Jiji.

The two sides agreed to cooperate in evaluating the safety of materials that could be used to store high-level radioactive waste from nuclear power plants, notably through underground tests, Jiji said.

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#90306d2110 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN (NOV. 2) - The Swedish Volvo car company on Friday declined to comment on reports from Tokyo that it had reached agreement with Mitsubishi Motors Corp. to create a joint venture in the Netherlands to produce Mitsubishi cars.

The report had appeared in the Japanese Nihon Keizai newspaper which said that the new company, to be established early next year, would produce 200,000 Mitsubishi mirages from 1993.

Volvo spokesman Knut Leman said: "Negotiations are continuing with Mitsubishi but we cannot comment on reports of an agreement."

He said: "Yesterday we had a meeting in Japan with Mitsubishi, and that it is perhaps the origin of these reports, but we cannot confirm them."

Earlier in Japan Mitsubishi neither confirmed nor denied the report.

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#90306d2130 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 2) - Four of Japan's six biggest banks have announced savage cuts in their earnings forecasts for the year to March, revising profit projections downward by as much as 35 percent from initial estimates in May.

Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank Ltd., the world's biggest bank, said its net profit was likely to plunge 26.1 percent from a year earlier to 115 billion yen (885 million dollars), down from an earlier 160 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars).

Revenue is forecast to rise 12.6 percent to 4,600 billion yen (35 billion dollars) compared with 5,300 billion yen (41 billion dollars) previously.

Mitsui Taiyo Kobe Bank Ltd., ranked second, said its net profit was expected to dive 22.3 percent to 90 billion yen (692 million dollars), down from its earlier forecast of 125 billion yen (961 million dollars).

Revenue is projected to climb 22.4 percent to 4,500 billion yen (35 billion dollars), unchanged from the bank's estimate in May.

Fuji Bank Ltd., the world's fourth-biggest bank, forecast its net profit to slump 32 percent to 100 billion yen (770 million dollars), down from 150 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars).

Revenue is expected to advance 16.4 percent to 4,200 billion yen (32 billion dollars), down from 4,600 billion yen (35 billion dollars.)

Sanwa Bank Ltd., ranked sixth, estimated its net profit to fall 12.2 per cent to 130 billion yen (one billion dollars), down from its initial forecats of 160 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars).

The bank said its revenue would rise 13.4 percent to 4,200 billion yen (32 billion dollars), down from 4,300 billion yen (33 billion dollars).

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#90306d2180 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CANBERRA, Nov 2 (AFP) - Australia singled out France and Germany on Friday for the deadlock threatening world trade talks, but added that Japanese attitudes were encouraging European intransigence.

Trade Negotiations Minister Neal Blewett said the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) had reached "a critical stage."

The European Economic Community was three weeks overdue in meeting a deadline to produce proposals to reform agricultural trade and reduce protectionism, he

said.

"I have got to say that prospects for the Round do not look good," he told reporters here.

It was, Mr. Blewett went on, "up to (European) Community nations -- particularly France and Germany -- to break the deadlock for which they are solely responsible."

"While there are blockages in other areas of negotiations, the crisis we now face stems directly from the procrastination of the European Community in its presentation," he said.

But, he added, "it is very difficult to argue for reforming European agriculture if at the same time the Japanese maintain their position of not permitting the import of a single grain of rice."

Mr. Blewett was due to leave here later Friday for Geneva, where he was to chair a meeting on Monday of ministers from the 14-member Cairns Group of agriculture-exporting nations.

The group includes Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Hungary, Indonesia, Malaysia, New Zealand, the Philippines, Thailand and Urguguay.

Fiji is also a member, but is not a participant in GATT, and is not taking part in the ministerial meeting in Geneva.

Officials here said the group produced one-third of the world's total agricultural exports.

Mr. Blewett would not say what measures the group might take if the talks failed to produce a satisfactory agreement, but he warned that the collapse of the Uruguay Round would "give the green light to forms of creeping protectionism seen in the '80s."

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#90306d2200 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (NOV. 2) - Former New Zealand prime minister Sir Robert Muldoon said Friday he would try to end current monetary policy, which is threatening to split the ranks of the new ruling National Party.

At the same time Prime Minister Jim Bolger warned his MPs not to threaten party unity.

Mr. Bolger and his new cabinet were sworn in here Friday by Governor-General Sir Paul Reeves.

Sir Robert, who rejected Mr. Bolger's offer of a post outside cabinet that included ministerial responsibility for horse racing, warned Thursday that he would "make a little prick" of himself as a result.

In an interview Sir Robert, prime minister and finance minister between 1975 and 1984, said he wanted to repeal part of the Reserve Bank Act requiring the central bank to use monetary means to bring zero to two percent inflation by 1992.

National is committed to the same goal, but by 1993.

Sir Robert urged introducing a private member's bill to parliament which would give members on both sides of the House the opportunity to declare their positions on "this disastrous monetary policy".

Sir Robert said he believed that part of the Reserve Bank Act should never have been passed and he believed many backbenchers in the new government shared his opinion.

His bill would give new members an opportunity to support policies which would help them to retain their seats in the next election, he said, and denied he was making a threat.

"It's not a threat," Sir Robert said. "I haven't made a firm decision to introduce a bill but it's very much in my mind."

Excessive power had been given to the Reserve Bank and too great an emphasis had been placed on a single indicator, Sir Robert said.

Newly-appointed Maori Affairs Minister Winston Peters has also criticised the new government's anti-inflation line, calling it "economic drivel".

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#90306d2220 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 2) - The Chinese capital is set to host preliminary talks this weekend between Japan and North Korea on forging diplomatic ties, but Beijing will stay on the sidelines, analysts here say.

The bilateral discussions, the first of their kind, begin here Saturday at the North Korean Embassy and continue Sunday at its Japanese counterpart, less than a kilometer (half-mile) away.

Beijing is the venue because it offers the best telecommunication links with both Pyongyang and Tokyo, and has direct air services to both capitals, sources in Tokyo have said.

Otherwise, the Chinese government is not taking part in the talks, a Japanese

diplomatic source said.

"They just let us use their territory," he said.

The Chinese Foreign Ministry has limited its public comment on the Japanese-North Korean meeting to an upbeat expression of good wishes to both sides.

"We welcome the improvement of relations between Korea and Japan, and we hope the relevent talks will be fruitful," ministry spokeswoman Li Jinhua told a press briefing this week.

For the past month China has been striving to reassure North Korea - with apparent success - that it will not sacrifice their historic alliance as Beijing inches closer to Seoul.

No diatribes were heard from Pyongyang after China and South Korea signed an agreement October 20 to exchange trade offices that will also perform consular functions, such as issue visas.

The pact acknowledges a flourishing indirect trade between China and South Korea that reached 3.2 billion dollars last year, and Seoul makes no secret of its desire to see full diplomatic relations to follow.

By contrast, North Korea had bitterly accused its other traditional ally, the Soviet Union, of betrayal after it set up formal diplomatic ties with South Korea in September.

Diplomatic observers say China sees itself as a moderating influence on the Korean peninsula, and wants to encourage President Kim Il-Sung to ease out of his self-imposed isolation.

To that end it has spent the past month sending high-level delegations to North Korea.

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#90306d2310 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 2) - Japan and China have exchanged official notes to resume Japanese financial lending frozen after China's military crackdown on pro-democracy demonstrators in June last year, government sources here said Friday.

Under the notes, which were signed in Beijing, japan will provide 36.51 billion yen (280 million dollars) in the first tranch of a six-year loan package.

The money is to be used for seven projects to construct, hydropower plant,

multi-purpose dam, three fertilizer plants, and water supply and road construction projects, the sources said.

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#90306d2400 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 2) - Swiss-based commodity trading company Marc Rich is South Africa's main supplier of petroleum products and the country gets a large proportion of its oil from the United Arab Emirates (UAE), a report said here Friday.

South Africa's sources of oil have always been shrouded in secrecy, mainly to beat the oil embargo against the country.

It is an offense to publish or divulge any details of the procurement of oil or the movement of tankers around the coast.

The Weekly Mail newspaper on Friday published a report based on a document compiled by the Dutch pressure group which monitors the embargo, the Shipping Research Bureau (SRB), saying that Norwegian shipping companies played a major role in transporting petroleum products to South Africa.

The newspaper named six Norwegian groups involved and said the companies, banned from delivering oil to South Africa, have taken advantage of a loophole in Norwegian law to deliver refined petroleum products.

The SRB document listed 28 tankers which delivered crude oil to South Africa in 19891990, the majority of the deliveries were done by the Hong Kong-based World-Wide Shipping Group, the Weekly Mail said.

The South African government this week came under pressure from the South African Chamber of Business (SACOB), representing some 35,000 businesses, to lift the shroud of secrecy around the country's oil supplies.

SACOB president Lesley Boyd challenged the government of the national oil reserves and asked how they could be used to escape the effects of the present high world price of oil.

The SRB document also detailed South Africa's underground oil supply locations holding between 44 to 46-million barrels of oil in mostly converted coal mines.

Some 19 million gallons of petroleum-based products were shipped from the U.S. despite the 1986 Comprehensive Anti-Apartheid Act banning "crude or refined products" from being sent to South Africa, the report said.

Some of the other countries where South Africa gets its oil from are Egypt,

Saudi Arabia, Oman, Iran and Quatar, the report said. Four Greek companies and

one Austrian company also delivered the oil to South Africa.

Most of the tankers sailed from the UAE, 12 out of the 28 deliveries, while seven sailed from Egypt and three from Oman.

The newspaper said Mineral and Energy Affairs Minister Dawie de Villiers has promised to be more frank in future saying: "There is no desire on our part to keep information confidential".

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#90306d2520 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 2) - The Philippine inflation rate reached 12 percent in October up one percent from a month earlier, following a hike in fuel prices, the government said Friday.

But inflation in Manila dropped from 16.7 percent to 15.8 percent in the same period as the cost of vegetables and fish declined, spokesmen for the National Statistics Office said.

A 29 percent hike in oil prices in late September was partly to blame for the overall rise in inflation, they said, although businesses are believed to have raised prices earlier in the month in anticipation of the higher oil prices.

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#90306d2530 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Paris (NOV. 2) - France intends to boost its troop presence in Saudi Arabia by sending a further 800 soldiers, state-run radio reported here Friday.

The troops from the rapid deployment force will be backed up by 18 artillery pieces. Military chiefs in charge of France's operation ''Draguet'' in Saudi Arabia had requested the guns, said the report.

A further 500 French troops with 24 helicopters, 24 Amx-10 R armoured personnel carriers and Fla missiles arrived in Saudi Arabia Thursday to augment the 5,000 French soldiers already in the country.

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#90306d2550 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 2) - South Korea suffered its worst monthly trade deficit in nine years last month due to sluggish exports and soaring oil imports, officials here said Friday.

October exports amounted to 5.286 billion dollars on a customs clearance basis up a mere 0.3 percent from a year ago, while imports increased 14.8 per cent to 6.15 billion dollars, leaving a 864 million dollar gap.

The monthly trade deficit is the largest since South Korea registered a 894 million dollar trade deficit in December 1981.

The aggregate trade deficit on a customs clearance basis for the first ten months to October amounted to 3.87 billion dollars, compared with 128 million dollars during the same period of last year.

The current account deficit for October is expected to be less, at around 550 to 600 million dollars.

Trade figures on customs clearance basis exaggerate the import side of the ledger, as they include insurance and freight costs.

During the first nine months to September, the aggregate trade deficit on a customs clearance basis amounted to three billion dollars, but on current account basis the aggregate deficit was 457 million dollars.

Officials at the Trade and Industry Ministry said imports had increased sharply as oil import bills rose to 740 million dollars, up from 340 million dollars a year ago, and because of the purchase of 200 million dollars worth of aircraft.

Exports remained flat, especially because plants were closed for five days during holidays in early October.

The arrivals of letters of credit, a barometer to predict export performance in the coming months, increased a meager 5.3 percent, down from 6.2 percent from September.

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#90306d2710 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 2) - Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories held a general strike Friday on the anniversary of the Balfour Declaration that led to the creation of the state of Israel, Arab sources said.

The strike in the West Bank and Gaza Strip was called by the Islamic fundamentalist organisation Hamas.

The Balfour Declaration of November 2, 1917 - named after the British Foreign Secretary at the time, James Balfour - recognized for the first time the right of the Jewish people to a homeland in Palestine.

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#90306d2850 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (NOV. 2) - Vietnam criticized Friday the Coordinating Committee on

Multilateral Export Controls (COCOM) for opposing its purchase of two Airbus aircraft.

"Policies of isolation and embargo (toward Vietnam) are obsolete," a spokesman for the Vietnamese Foreign Ministry said, adding that they "could cause losses to companies doing business with Vietnam."

Reports Thursday from Jakarta said COCOM, which oversees the export of Western technology to communist countries, opposed the sale of two aircraft to the Vietnamese national airline Hang Khong Vietnam from Airbus Industrie, the French-led European manufacturer.

One Western diplomat said: "COCOM's decision was more likely imposed by the United States as part of its embargo than taken out of a desire to stop the export of advanced technology, now that Airbus Industrie sells aircraft to the East."

The United States has linked the lifting of its economic and commercial embargo on Vietnam to a resolution of the 12-year-old Cambodian conflict, in which the two countries back rival factions.

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#90306d2870 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGE (NOV. 2) - Denmark registered a surplus on the balance of trade of 2.846 billion krone (466 million dollars) in September, compared with a surplus of 166 million dollars in August, provisional official figures showed on friday.

In September 1989 the trade balance showed a surplus of 2.406 billion krone (401 billion dollars).

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the September surplus was 1.463 billion krone (243 million dollars) compared with 2.200 billion krone (366 million dollars) in August.

The surplus was due to a fall of imports, while exports, and particularly industrial exports, stagnated because of an economic crisis in Sweden which is one of Denmark's most important trading partners.

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#90306d2910 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV. 2) - Plans to launch a joint Thai-Vietnamese oil exploration project in the Gulf of Thailand will be discussed when a senior Thai official visits Hanoi this month, officials said here Friday.

Korn Thapparangsri, minister attached to the prime minister's office, is to

visit Hanoi November 14 to 16 in line with the Thai government's policy of seeking energy supplies from neighboring countries to meet rising demand at home.

Veitnamese Prime Minister Do Muoi is to visit Bangkok in mid-November for a summit with his Thai counterpart Chatichai Choonhavan that will mark a new era of Thai-Vietnamese relations after years of mutual suspicion.

The two countries recently agreed to hold joint meetings to discuss economic, trade and technical cooperation.

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#90306d2940 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 2) - Japan's Mitsui Engineering and Shipbuilding Ltd. and Hitachi Zosen Corp. announced Friday strong recoveries for the six months to September but predicted mixed fortunes for the second half.

Mitsui Engineering, the world's leading producer of diesel marine engines, said its net profit soared 341 percent from a year earlier to 7.6 billion yen (55 million dollars) in the six months to September. Sales climbed 33.6 per cent to 104 billion yen (754 million dollars) in the same period.

But the company forecast a loss in the second half with its projected profit for the full year reaching only seven billion yen (51 million dollars). Sales are expected to reach 300 billion yen (2.2 billion dollars), it said.

Hitachi Zosen, one of Japan's major heavy machinery and engineering companies, posted a net profit of two billion yen (15 million dollars), reversing a loss of 6.7 billion yen (49 million dollars) a year earlier. Sales grew 24.4 percent to 104 billion yen (754 million dollars).

The company forecast a net profit of five billion yen (36 million dollars) for the full year with sales reaching 270 billion yen (two billion dollars).

Mitsui's sales advanced in all divisions except steel structures where revenue plunged 54 percent to 7.7 billion yen (56 million dollars).

Shipbuilding and defence orders soared 325 percent to 38 billion yen (275 million dollars) while machinery sales leapt 20 percent to 29 billion yen (210 million dollars). Sales of industrial plants edged up 2.8 percent to 27 billion yen (196 million dollars), the company said.

Hitachi posted higher sales in all areas except steel and environmental equipment, which fell 10.2 percent to 26 billion yen (188 million dollars), and plants which fell 12.2 percent to 12 billion yen (87 million dollars).

But shipbuilding orders soared 151 percent to 33 billion yen (239 million

dollars) while sales of machinery and prime movers rose 15.8 percent to 27 billion yen (196 million dollars).

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#90306d2990 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (NOV. 2) - Total assets of Taiwan's offshore banking units amounted to 18.44 billion U.S. dollars in the first three quarters of 1990, up 21.7 percent over the same period last year, the Central Bank of China said Friday.

Claims on financial organizations accounted for 85.3 percent of the assets, with loans to non-financial institutions and investments in securities accounting for the rest, the bank said.

Deposits from financial institutions made up 93.9 percent of liabilities, with 83 percent of the deposits coming from Asia, 11 percent from the United States and five percent from Europe, it said.

Eleven local and 15 foreign banks have joined Taiwan's offshore banking system since it was introduced in June 1984 in an effort to develop the island as one of the Asia-Pacific region's financial centers.

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#90306d3100 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 2) - Japan's current account surplus shrank 43.7 percent from a year earlier to 15.4 billion dollars in the six months to September, mainly due to a stronger yen, the finance ministry said Friday.

The contraction in the current account -- measuring trade in goods and services plus certain other financial transactions such as gifts and grants -- reflected a flat export performance and a 10 percent jump in imports.

The smaller surplus also reflected a surge of almost 50 percent in the country's deficit in service transactions -- such as tourism and shipping -- which widened to an all-time high for the six-month period.

A finance ministry official said the decline mainly reflected the stronger yen which tends to discourage exports and boost imports, while the recent surge in crude oil prices had only a modest impact.

"The Gulf crisis began to be felt from the latter half of September," the official said. "Many companies rushed to buy oil before their prices jumped."

Japan's trade surplus narrowed 21.9 percent to 30.8 billion dollars during the period. Exports inched up 0.8 percent to 135.8 billion dollars while imports jumped 10.3 percent to 105 billion dollars. The deficit in service transactions ballooned 49.4 percent to 13.3 billion dollars.

The bigger services deficit was mainly due to increased Japanese travel abroad which boosted the country's deficit in travel transactions by 9.5 per cent to an all-time high of 11 billion dollars.

The official said the ministry was uncertain about developments in the current six-month period ending in March but indicated it would largely depend on oil prices. Crude averaged 22.33 dollars a barrel in September, up from 16.33 dollars in August and 16.92 dollars in September last year.

In September alone, the surplus in the current account narrowed 24.4 per cent from a year earlier to 4.6 billion dollars, the ministry said.

The trade surplus shrank 1.8 percent to 7.7 billion dollars, the third consecutive monthly decline. Exports rose six percent to 25.1 billion dollars and imports increased 9.9 percent to 17.4 billion dollars. Japan's services deficit surged 37.8 percent to 2.1 billion dollars.

Exports were led by motor vehicles, ships, audio-visual equipment and chemicals which offset reduced shipments of steel, electronics and office equipment. Increased imports of vehicles, aircraft, gold, paintings and crude oil meanwhile offset smaller purchases of timber, pulp, foodstuff and textiles.

Crude oil imports skyrocketed 48.7 percent from a year earlier to 2.45 billion dollars on a customs-cleared basis.

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TOKYO (NOV. 2) - The European Commission has notified Japan of its "concern" at being excluded from a Japanese ministerial working group - open to the United States - on telecommunication satellite manufacturing, an informed source here said Friday.

The European Economic Community (EEC) delegation here confirmed that it sent a memo Wednesday to the Japanese Foreign Ministry complaining of anti-European discrimination in the aerospace sector.

The working group, under the Posts and Telecommunications Ministry, includes Japanese officials and manufacturers as well as representatives of the U.S. Electronics Industry Association. The Europeans said they were repeatedly barred from the group.

Officials at the Posts and Telecommunications Ministry are calling the EEC response "excessive" and trying to downplay the importance of the working group, which it describes as strictly technical and non-commercial.

Confirming that a U.S. official was part of the study group, inaugurated early

last month and set to finish its work in February, they maintained that any European role remained "unlikely."

But observers said the aim of the European initiative was to highlight exclusive U.S.-Japanese ties in the aerospace and particularly aeronautic sectors, which often ignore both market forces and European interests.

EEC aerospace manufacturers here last week called on Japan to open its market to European goods and aircraft, saying Japanese imports from the United States are eight times those from Europe, which supplies 30 per cent of the world's aerospace market.

According to official EEC statistics, European manufacturers supply only three per cent of the Japanese aerospace market, or some 20 million dollars in 1988.

This figure compares to 1.76 billion dollars for the United States, which claimed 26.5 percent of the market and 87 percent of imports.

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#90306d3130 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 2) - Belgium is to raise its discount interest rate by 0.25 percent to 10.5 percent, effective from Monday, the Belgian National Bank announced here in a communique Friday.

The national bank raised its directive Lombard rate, the interest rate charged to banks for very short-term credits, by 0.25 percent to 11 percent with immediate effect.

The move comes one day after the Bundesbank announced it was raising the German Lombard rate by 0.5 percent to 8.5 percent. But the German discount rate was left unchanged.

Earlier this week, the U.S. Federal Reserve and the French central bank announced a 0.25 percent drop in directive interest rates. Britain was expected to follow the downward trend.

German financial analysts said this week that Germany was compelled to follow a more cautious path because of the huge costs of German unification and the ensuing economic uncertainty.

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#90306d3280 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 2) - Sudanese leader Omar el-Beshir has denied reports of famine in Sudan, accusing the Western media of spreading rumours to tarnish the country's image.

Addressing journalists recently, Lieutenant-General el-Beshir said the Sudanese people would respond to the reports by producing more food than they needed, the Sudanese embassy in Nairobi announced in a press release Friday.

Last week the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) said it was sending 25,000 tons of cereals to people in drought-stricken areas of Sudan.

It said the cereals were being sent to the Kordofan and Darfur regions of western Sudan, and to the Red Sea province in the east.

WFP warned that a major emergency was imminent in Sudan as reports indicated that farmers and herders were continuing to leave their land in search of water, food, grazing and employment after two consecutive years of drought.

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#90306d3330 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (NOV. 2) - The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Thorvald Stoltenberg, will resign his post to take over as Norwegian foreign minister, well-informed sources said here Friday.

They said an official announcement was expected to follow later Friday.

Mr. Stoltenberg already served as Oslo's foreign minister from 1987 to 1989.

He took over as High Commissioner for Refugees a year ago, after his predecessor, Jean Pierre Hocke of Switzerland, resigned in a financial scandal.

He has also served as Norwegian defense minister from 1979 to 1981.

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#90306d3350 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 2) - International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) director general Hans Blix hopes North Korea will budge on a safeguard agreement before an IAEA board meeting in December, a Tokyo newspaper reported Friday.

In an interview with the economic journal Nihon Keizai, he confirmed that North Korea had reached complete agreement on a document clarifying how IAEA would inspect North Korean nuclear facilities.

But North Korea has insisted that the agreement would be signed only after the United States pledges not to use nuclear weapons against it, he said.

The guarantee is an issue to be solved between the United States and North Korea while IAEA is not directly involved in it, Mr. Blix was quoted as saying.

The former Swedish foreign minister said he hoped that the issue would be

settled before the IAEA board meeting in December.

North Korea signed the nuclear non-proliferation treaty in 1985. But it has refused to sign the safeguard agreement within 18 months as required by the treaty, raising suspicion about its possible development of nuclear arms.

Mr. Blix told the National Press Club in Washington last month his agency had wrapped up negotiations with North Korea in the summer and "all technical points have been cleared up."

He added, however, the talks were being held up by the North Korean insistence that "they should not be subjected to nuclear threats" from the United States.

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#90306d3400 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 2) - Separatist guerrillas ambushed and shot dead six federal paramilitary troops in India's rugged northeast Friday, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported.

Guerrillas from the National Socialist Council of Nagaland (NSCN) gunned down the six men from the Border Security Force (BSF) on a highway in Nagaland state bordering Burma, the news agency said.

No further details were immediately available.

The NSCN is campaigning violently to free tribal-majority Nagaland from the Indian union.

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#90306d3410 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 2) - Kuwait's new ambassador to China presented his credentials to President Yang Shangkun on Friday, in a gesture that underscored Beijing's continuing recognition of the sheikhdom's government-in-exile.

The ambassador, Abdul Hamid al-Baejan, arrived Monday to head Kuwait's tiny embassy here, which was staffed only by a charge d'affaires when Iraq invaded the Gulf nation last August 2, the New China News Agency said.

China says it is fully complying with United Nations sanctions against Iraq, while calling on Baghdad -- formerly one of its biggest arms buyers -- to make a complete and unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait.

Mr. Yang also accepted credentials Friday from Iran's new ambassador, Mohammad Hossein Taremi Rad, in a separate ceremony, NCNA said.

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FREETOWN (NOV. 2) - About 1,500 refugees from war-torn Liberia arrived here Friday aboard the Nigeria naval ship, Ambe, bringing the total number of Liberians and West Africans evacuated here by sea in the past six weeks to about 20,000, port officials said.

Many of the pale and hungry refugees staggered off the vessel with their meager belongings. An old man had to be carried from the ship on a makeshift stretcher.

Sam Puell, one of some 800 Liberians who left the ship, said Monrovia was "a ghost town haunted at night by marauding bands of the Armed Forces of Liberia soldiers" who were loyal to the late president Samuel Doe.

Many of the refugees complained of not having enough food to eat. Some said they had not seen a piece of bread for months.

Rufus Thomas, a Sierra Leonean who had been in Monrovia for 15 years said: "There is still no peace in Monrovia. Every night there are shootings and we don't know what is going on."

He said there were many thousands of refugees still waiting to get out of the besieged Liberian capital.

On Tuesday, Bu Buakei Jabbi, chairman of the National Refugee Coordinating Committee, said Sierra Leone authorities could no longer cope with the influx of tens of thousands of Liberian refugees.

In letters to the West African expeditionary force (ECOMOG) secretariat headed by Nigerian Ambassador Joshua Iroha and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) office here, he recommended that Liberian refugees remain in the Monrovia port where they could receive food and medical care.

The expeditionary force, sent into Liberia in August by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) to impose a ceasefire between rebels and government troops, has been operating out of Freetown.

Mr. Jabbi said there were more than 200,000 Liberian refugees in Sierra Leone, while U.N. officials put the figure at about 130,000.

A Guinean diplomat told AFP Friday that another 800 Guinean refugees had crossed the border into Sierra Leone by foot Thursday.

Meanwhile, a foreign affairs ministry spokesman said a five-man ECOWAS delegation was to go to Tripoli over the weekend "to hold discussions with the Libyan leader Colonel (Moamer) Kadhafi on the situation in Liberia."

The spokesman said a ministerial "contact group" of the ECOWAS mediation committee was to "persuade Colonel Kadhafi to halt the arms pipeline which is now assisting (rebel leader) Charles Taylor's continued belligerence in Liberia."

Sources close to the ECOMOG secretariat here confirmed the mission.

Libya and Burkina Faso have been accused by ECOMOG officials of supplying arms to the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) rebels, headed by Mr. Taylor.

The rebel leader refused to meet with the ECOWAS contact group in a meeting scheduled for Wednesday in the Malian capital, Bamako, but invited the West African leaders to Liberia for the talks.

The NPFL rebels launched their bid to overthrow the Doe government last December 24 in northeast Liberia near the Ivory Coast border. Mr. Doe was tortured to death September 10 in Monrovia by a rival rebel group led by Prince Johnson.

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#90306d3530 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BY JOACHIM SCHUCHT

BONN (NOV. 2) - ''I'm leaving the bridge but not the ship,'' declared Willy Brandt when he stepped down as chairman of Germany's opposition Social Democrat (Spd) party two years ago.

Former West German Chancellor Brandt, 76, who is now to travel on a humanitarian mission to Baghdad, kept his word. He did not retire and has never turned his back on politics.

With German reunification Brandt became a key figure again within the ranks of his own party but continued to demonstrate much independence of thought.

In the course of the turbulent unification process, the speed of which took Brandt by surprise, the politics expressed by the Spd's honorary chairman were often closer to those of Chancellor Helmut Kohl than Spd standard bearer Oskar Lafontaine.

Kohl also sees himself as following the tradition established by Bradt with his Ostpolitik policy towards East Germany and the former communist nations of eastern Europe.

As head of the left-wing liberal coalition, Brandt turned the years 1969 to 1974 into an era of reconciliation with Poland, the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia - countries which particularly suffered under German occupation during World War Ii.

At a time when German politics were still revolving solely around reunification, there was no shortage of warning words from Nobel Peace Prize holder Brandt.

He stressed that amid the joy of seeing communist dictatorships collapse in eastern Europe, the increasing problems of the Third World must not be forgotten.

At the height of German reunification fever, Brandt joined forces with former Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere to issue an appeal for more genorosity in awarding development aid to poor countries.

The ability to look beyond his own backyard was something which always characterised a man whose own path through life had moulded him into a ''world citizen''. Brandt was never a one-track thinker.

''Never a starry-eyed apostle of peace, he was a wary, long-term thinking foreign politician of great calibre who also weighed up the factor of power in all his doings,'' former Spd national secretary Peter Glotz said two years ago on the occasion of Brandt's 75th birthday.

As president of the Socialist International (since 1976) and chairman of the North-South Commission for Development Issues (since 1977) Brandt has further grown in stature and gained an authority of his own since bowing out of everyday German politics.

His regular lectures at American universities and in front of the members of influential organisations are in demand. His advice is sought by statesmen from all over the world. Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev spends hours talking to Brandt when the Spd politician visits him at the Kremlin.

Brandt's international commitment and the worldwide respect accorded to him more than to any other German politician have frequently faced him with the decision whether to intervene in conflict situations.

The most recent example of this came a few months ago when Brandt was proposed as an intermediary by both sides at proposed peace talks between the Ethiopian government and rebels seeking to destabilise the regime.

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KHAYELITSHA, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 2) - Liberal white member of parliament Jan van Eck and human rights lawyer Willie Hofmeyr were detained by police Friday in this black township outside Cape Town, an AFP correspondent who witnessed the arrests said.

She said Mr. Van Eck, an MP for the liberal Democratic Party, was arrested after he refused to leave the strife-torn township when ordered out by police.

Mr. Hofmeyr then lay down in front of the police van to prevent it driving off and he too was arrested.

Earlier Friday Mr. Van Eck told AFP that he had been prevented from entering Khayelitsha by police who told him that "people overreact when they see you."

Khayelitsha is one of three black townships near Cape Town declared "unrest areas" by Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok on Thursday.

Police spokesman Major Jan Calitz said Mr. Van Eck had Thursday been prohibited by the Regional Police Commissioner Major General Flip Fourie from entering the area and was arrested when he refused to leave Khayelitsha on Friday.

Both men were released after "processing", Maj. Calitz said.

Lingulethu and Old Crossroads, along with Khayelitsha, have been hit by a wave of killings, sparked by attempts to oust local community councillors regarded as government "puppets".

Mr. Vlok has also imposed 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. curfews in the affected areas.

Declaration of a township as an "unrest area" under the Public Safety Act enables police to use extraordinary powers to curb violence, including curfews roadblocks and house-to-house searches.

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#90306d3630 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 2) - Independence for Georgia is set to become a priority following this week's victory for the anti-communist nationalist opposition in the republic's first multi-party legislative poll, provided splits among the nationalists can be overcome.

Official results issued in Tbilisi on Friday by the electoral commission gave the seven parties of the Round Table-Free Georgia coalition 114 seats from last Sunday's voting, and 60 to the Communists, out of 250 seats being contested. Independents won four, and three seats went to small parties separate from the Round Table.

Fresh elections for the remaining 69 seats where candidates failed to get 50 per cent majorities are scheduled for November 11.

Strictly speaking, Round Table still lacks a parliamentary majority, but Georgia's nationalist and anti-communist movement as a whole has certainly won

the day, for the single objective common to all the myriad parties and movements which have sprung up in its name -- nearly 140 to date -- is the "restoration of national independence".

Georgia was annexed by the Tzars in 1801. It was briefly independent from 1918 to 1921 following the Bolshevik Revolution.

All these parties are expected to regroup and present single candidates for the second round of voting, in which it is practically impossible for the Comunist Party to carry off all the constituencies evn though it retains strong local influence.

"This parliament is going to begin preparing for independence, and one of our first initiatives is going to be the adoption of a declaration of sovereignty " Round Table chief Zviad Gamsakhurdia explained in a phone call.

He saw the new parliament as a transitional body "which must be used to restore Georgia's sovereignty" and which would have the duty of guiding the Caucasian republic during its passage to independence.

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#90306d3700 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUSCAT (NOV. 2) - Jordan's King Hussein on Friday ended a discreet three-day visit to the Sultanate of Oman, where only his arrival and his departure were reported by the official news agency ONA.

ONA said the monarch was seen off by Sultan Qaboos bin Said. On Wednesday the agency announced King Hussein's arrival but gave no details of his visit, saying only he would have talks with the sultan.

But informed sources here and officials in Jordan have said the discussions would cover the Gulf crisis and means of reaching a peaceful solution to Iraq's three-month-old occupation of Kuwait.

Jordan has been repeatedly criticised by Gulf states for its support to Iraq despite its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Qatar and Saudi Arabia has been at the forefront of Jordan's critics, expelling Jordanian diplomats and military personnel and imposing economic sanctions on Amman.

Doha stopped importing Jordanian goods while Riyadh ceased pumping oil to the Hashemite kingdom.

Jordan was also rebuked by the international community for its failure to adhere to U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

Late last month the United States said Amman was now complying with the sanctions and urged Gulf states to provide Jordan with financial aid to help ease the burden caused by the Gulf crisis.

King Hussein's visit to Oman also came ahead of a trip to Paris Monday for talks with French President Francois Mitterrand on the Gulf crisis.

Earlier this week Mr. Mitterrand agreed with his Soviet counterpart Mikhail Gorbachev on the need to promote the "Arab factor" in efforts to reach a settlement to the Gulf crisis.

But he did not endorse Mr. Gorbachev's call for an inter-Arab conference to find a solution to the conflict.

Jordan and Iraq were among those welcoming the call for an Arab summit but Iraq's Arab critics such as Egypt and the United Arab Emirates have flatly rejected the notion.

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#90306d3710 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (NOV. 2) - A partnership agreement between the German Volkswagen car manufacturer and the Czechoslovakian Skoda company has nearly been concluded, but will not be announced officially until December, a governmental sources here said on Friday.

A competitive partnership proposed by the French Renault and Swedish Volvo companies for a partial purchase of Skoda did not win favour with the board of Skoda, and the government in Prague is prepared to accept the company's decision, the source said.

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#90306d3810 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (NOV. 2) - Iraq, baiting its Western opponents by promising Christmas visits to the relatives of hostages, has reacted to sharp criticism of its offer with a further pledge to treat the families properly.

The Iraqi governenment made the promise Friday, stating that families of Western hostages invited to visit their captive relatives during the holidays would be treated properly and would be free to leave the country, the Iraqi news agency INA reported.

Iraqi Information Minister Latif Nassif Jassem also said that he was "surprised at the biased and inhuman attitude of American and British leaders who asked families" of hostages not to visit their relatives in Iraq, according to INA, monitored here.

Mr. Jassem promised that the families "will be well-treated and free to leave."

He said that Iraq "will assure that all families visiting the country are provided with all necessary comforts in order to insure their joy."

Britain, however, has rejected the offer and discouraged Britons from making the voyage, which a Foreign Office spokesman characterized on Thursday as "risky."

Despite official disapproval, ten wives of British hostages have announced that they plan to visit their husbands in Iraq next week.

In Washington, State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler denounced the Iraqi offer as "shameless" and "cruel and insensitive," but said that the State Department would not try to stop Americans from visiting their families.

On Thursday, Baghdad announced that four U.S. citizens who were either aged or sick would be set free, and that all Irish nationals could leave the country as soon as their employment contracts were terminated.

Meanwhile, six former Swedish hostages arrived in Stockholm, and the Iraqi parliament was reportedly preparing to ratify President Saddam Hussein's decision to release some 700 Bulgarians.

Close to 4,000 Westerners remain captive in Iraq and Kuwait, including 1,400 Britons, 1,000 Americans, 320 Italians, 300 Germans and 220 Irish nationals.

In Bonn, the German government on Thursday gave its official approval to former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt's upcoming visit to Baghdad, despite having undertaken at the October 28 European Economic Community summit in Rome to "discourage" isolated initiatives to free the hostages.

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#90306d3860 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 2) - Air Vice-Marshal Bill Wratten was appointed new commander of the Royal Air Force in the Gulf, to replace Air Vice-Marshal Sandy Wilson, the British Defence Ministry said Friday.

General Wratten, currently Air Officer Commanding No 11 Group, will take up his new posting on November 17. He will also become deputy to Lieutenant General Peter de la Billiere, British Forces Commander Middle East.

Air Vice-Marshal Wilson was appointed commander-in-chief of the Royal Air Force in Germany, effective from next May.

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#90306d3910 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (NOV. 2) - German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher arrived here Friday for talks with Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel, Prime Minister Marian Calfa and Foreign Minister Jiri Dienstbier.

The discussions, just over two weeks before the November 19 meeting in Paris of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE), were expected to deal with bilateral relations, political and economic reforms in Eastern Europe, European development and arms control, according to German sources.

Mr. Genscher was also scheduled to meet with parliamentary speaker Alexander Dubcek.

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#90306d4010 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (NOV. 2) - The exiled prime minister of Kuwait, Sheikh Saad al-Abdallah al-Sabah, on Friday rejected a Soviet call for an Arab summit to find a settlement for the Gulf crisis saying it would be a "waste of time."

"Any initiative or proposal that fails to guarantee the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait is considered a waste of time and aims at multiplying efforts at beating around the bush," said Sheikh Saad.

He added, in remarks carried by the Kuwaiti news agency KUNA received in Manama, that it was "useless to convene a new Arab summit as long as the Iraqi regime is not willing to withdraw from Kuwaiti territory and allow the return of the legitimate authorities."

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on Monday called for an inter-Arab conference to find a peaceful settlement to the Gulf crisis, triggered three months ago by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Iraq and Jordan have welcomed the call.

But Egypt and the United Arab Emirates, who are among Iraq's first Arab critics, have flatly rejected the Soviet proposal.

An Arab summit on August 10 failed to find consensus for a resolution to denounce Iraq's military operation and to dispatch an Arab force to shore up Saudi defenses against Iraqi troops in neighbouring Kuwait.

Only 12 of the League's 21 members backed the resolution while only three countries -- Egypt, Morocco and Syria -- have sent troops to the Gulf region.

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#90306d4050 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 2) - The Iranian embassy here re-opened Friday after being closed for 18 months when the two countries broke off diplomatic relations, the Iranian charge d'affaires said in a communique.

Charge d'affaires Seyed Shamseddin Kharghani, 38, said he hoped Iran and Britain could have good cooperation, particularly over the crisis caused by Iraq's continuing occupation of Kuwait. Neither Britain nor Iran has yet named an ambassador.

"Relations between Iran and Britain have a long history with its ups and downs " he said while raising the green, white and red flag of the Islamic Republic from the balcony of the embassy, in central London near Hyde Park.

The two countries broke off relations in March 1989 after Iranian spiritual leader Ayatollah Khomeini sentenced British writer Salman Rushdie to death for alleged blasphemy in his book ''The Satanic Verses.''

Mr. Rushdie has been under police protection in Britain since then for fear of a terrorist attack.

British-Iranian relations were re-established last September. The British embassy in Teheran was re-opened Sunday.

Mr. Kharghani arrived in London Thursday with three other diplomatic staff. A fifth staff member is to arrive next week.

Two members of an association seeking the liberation of British cameraman John McCarthy, who was kidnapped in Beirut in April 1986, came to the embassy to welcome the Iranian diplomats. They also asked to meet Mr. Kharghani to discuss the fate of British hostages in Lebanon.

The two, Jane Parritt and Mary Lambe told reporters: ''Preferably we would like to see John back before his birthday, which is November 27."

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#90306d4060 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (NOV. 2) - Chinese authorities have allowed Chinese shipowners to register their vessels under the Cypriot flag and have decided to open a maritime liaison office on the Mediterranean island, official sources said Friday.

Zenon Katsourides, presidential adviser on maritime affairs, said the measures followed the signing of a maritime cooperation agreement signed when President George Vassiliou visited China in August.

There are currently 2,100 vessels from more than 20 countries flying the Cypriot flag.

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#90306d4080 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PHNOM PENH (NOV. 2) - Tens of thousands of Cambodians flocked to the riverfront here Friday to watch a regatta highlighting Cambodia's Water Festival, which was allowed for the first time in 20 years.

Some 88 teams, including two all female crews, took to the Tonle Sap River to compete in the Bon Om Touk, or regatta, festival -- the most popular and important in war-torn Cambodia.

The festival is being celebrated on a major scale here for the first time since 1969, when monarch-turned-rebel Prince Norodom Sihanouk was in power, according to residents.

It marks the start of the rice harvest and the time when the river flows back towards the sea.

Top leaders, including Premier Hun Sen, National Assembly chairman Chea Sim and President Heng Samrin watched the races with their families from a specially built waterfront pavilion in front of the former royal palace.

Helicopters buzzed overhead and a heavy security presence was evident.

Earlier Friday, the three had kicked off massive celebrations in front of the railway station by planting sacred peepul saplings from India.

In the evening, illuminated floats sailed past the royal palace, fireworks filed the sky and a rock band entertained the crowds, taking advantage of the holiday and lifting of the curfew Friday for the festival.

The government lifted the night curfew, imposed to prevent sabotage and infiltration by the three-party resistance, for the first time since October 1989. The festival was to continue Saturday with more pirogue races, protocol chief Theam Chuny said.

Many of the long shallow draft boats, propelled by teams of between 20 and 40 people, are years old and have been restored at monasteries.

As dusk fell, people also prepared to pay homage to the full moon.

Indian charge d'affaires Rinzing Wangdi, who took part in the tree planting marked by a religious ceremony with saffron-robed monks, said two of the 12 peepul saplings given to Cambodia were planted here.

The rest would be planted in the provinces, he said, adding that a walkway leading to the saplings plot has been named the India-Cambodia Friendship Path.

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#90306d4100 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (NOV. 2) - China's first sexology institute has opened for business in the northern province of Heilongjiang, ending a centuries-old taboo inherited from the country's feudal past, the official press said Friday.

The institute, under the Ministry of Science and Technology, is to study sexology and veneral diseases, and will disseminate its findings as a means of strengthening socialist culture and ethics, the New China News Agency said.

The Education Ministry in August announced a pilot sex education program in some 6,000 secondary schools aimed at ensuring morality and basic knowledge.

Officials hope better information will stem what they view as an alarming increase in sex crimes.

These efforts also coincide with a new campaign against pornography, denounced as the product of Western capitalism.

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#90306d4110 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOs (NOV. 2) - Saudi authorities will soon install anti-narcotics X-ray machines at Aminu Kano international airport in northern Nigeria, official radio Nigeria reported here Friday, quoting a Saudi official.

The decision followed a discovery that most of the drug traffickers holding Nigerian passports being detained in Saudi Arabia use the airport as take-off point, the leader of a special delegation from the Saudi Arabia Drug Control Agency, Colonel Mohammed Al-Malik, told Nigerian counterpart Fidelis Oyakhilome.

Mr. Oyakhilome, a former deputy head of the Nigerian police, is the chairman of the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency, created last January to fight the menace of hard drugs in all its ramifications.

Some of the drug traffickers are often disguised as traders to secure commercial visas, while others travel under the pretext of performing the "Umra" (lesser hajj), he said.

A good number of these Nigerian passport holders arrested in Saudi Arabia were later discovered to be Chadians, another member of the Saudi delegation stated.

The government is making efforts to check irregularities in issuing Nigerian passports, Mr. Oyakhilome, a former detective, told the delegation.

Drug trafficking is subject to the death penalty in Saudi Arabia.

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#90306d4130 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 2) - Japan said Friday it had agreed to extend a 36.5 billion yen (280 million dollar) loan to China, the first official aid since the military crackdown on pro-democracy protests in Beijing 17 months ago.

"This official development aid is expected to contribute to the economic stability (of China) and promote economic modernization efforts of the country " foreign ministry spokesman Taizo Watanabe said.

The soft loan is the first portion of an aid package frozen by Tokyo after the bloodshed at Beijing's Tiananmen Square in June 1989.

At an annual Western summit in July, Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu said Japan would resume the process of extending 810 billion yen (6.2 billion dollars) in official loans to China for 42 projects from 1990 to 1995.

Mr. Watanabe said notes on the first installment of loans were exchanged in Beijing Friday between Japanese Ambassador Hiroshi Hashimoto and China's Vice Foreign Minister Qi Huaiyuan.

Japan joined the United States and other Western countries in freezing credit and limiting official contacts with China following the June 1989 crackdown.

But Mr. Watanabe said China had become increasingly cooperative with the West on such international issues as the Gulf crisis and Cambodia. China has also consistently pursued economic reform, he added.

The spokesman also noted that the European Economic Community decided on October 22 to resume talks on aid to China.

The first loan will help finance seven projects in Japan's fiscal year 1990 ending in March -- including 8.9 billion yen (68.5 million dollars) for urban water supply projects in Tianjin, Hefei and Anshan.

It will carry a low interest rate of 2.5 per cent per annum and be repayable over 30 years including a 10-year grace period.

Another 8.5 billion yen (65.4 million dollars) will cover construction of road bridges in Hubei Province.

A multipurpose dam project in Lianoning Province will receive 6.4 billion yen (49.2 million dollars) and a hydopower project in the upper Yuan River 3.1 billion yen (23.8 million dollars).

The loan will also help three fertilizer plant projects in the Shanxi and Yunnan provinces and Inner Mongolia.

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#90306d4220 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (NOV. 2) - The Polish police recently stopped part of Poland's national antiques' heritage worth hundreds of thousands of dollars from being smuggled to Italy, press reports said Friday.

The reports said that police found 250 antique items, including icons, furniture, musical instruments and 19th-century paintings, in an Italian truck on its way from a furniture manufacturer near Warsaw to Milan.

Most of the antiques were part of Poland's national heritage and were not supposed to be exported, said Trybuna, the Social-Democrat (ex-Communist) newspaper, suggesting that some items may have been stolen from museums or from individuals.

A police inquiry was opened.

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#90306d4260 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (NOV. 2) - Argentina and Britain will hold their first round of negotiations on fishing rights around the Falklands Islands November 12-14 in Madrid, Foreign Minister Domingo Cavallo said here Friday.

Mr. Cavallo said he was optimistic the two sides could find agreement on fishing within a 150-nautical-mile exclusionary zone declared by Britain around the Falklands, a south Atlantic archipelago also claimed by Argentina.

The minister denied local newspaper reports that Britain was considering extending its exclusionary zone to 200 nautical miles.

"We think the issue of fishing rights is going very well and there will be no unilateral decisions," he said.

The two countries resumed diplomatic relations last February, eight years after they fought a bitter war over the disputed archipelago which Argentina calls the Malvinas Islands.

While negotiations on the thorny issue of sovereignty -- which Argentina had challanged by occupying the island in March 1982 -- have been put on hold by mutual agreement, both sides have agreed to settle their dispute over fishing rights as quickly as possible.

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#90306d4280 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 2) - South African mining giant Anglo American Corporation's coal mining subsidiary, Amcoal, reported an 18 percent decrease in profits to 198.2 million rands (78 million dollars) for the first half of this year, the company announced here Friday.

The decrease was mainly due to lower export tonnages coupled with the strengthened randdollar exchange rate and increased unit working costs, Amcoal said in a report for the six months ended 30 September.

Earnings attributed to Amcoal shareholders increased by 6.5 percent to 137.8 million rands (54.25 million dollars) for the six months ended 30 September, up from 129.4 million rands (50.9 million dollars) for the previous six months.

Earnings per share increased by six percent to 549.1 cents from 517.8 cents for the previous six months.

Amcoal will spend some 900 million rands (354.3 million dollars) over the next three years to boost production, primarily for export through the Richards Bay coal terminal in the north of Natal province, Amcoal Chairman Richard Boustred said in the report.

Mr. Boustred said Amcoal anticipated that the Richards Bay terminal will reach 53 million tons export capacity in 1995.

Coal and coke sales for the six months ended 30 September were marginally lower at 21.718 million tons compared to the 21.807 million sold during the same period last year.

Mr. Boustred predicted that earnings from coal exports will increase in the next six months due to higher tonnage but domestic earnings will be lower.

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#90306d4300 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KARACHI (NOV. 2) - Thousands of Moslems across Pakistan staged protest rallies after Friday prayers to condemn attacks by Hindus on an ancient mosque in India, witnesses said.

The demonstrators carried placards and banners and chanted slogans condemning the deaths of scores of people in the religious conflicts in India.

Strict security measures were taken to protect Hindu places of worship and the Indian consulate here, witnesses said.

The Pakistan People's Party of ousted premier Benazir Bhutto scheduled a rally for Saturday to "condemn the evil designs of Hindu extremists."

Thousands of Hindus stormed a mosque in Ayodhya this week, attempting to tear it down and construct a temple in its place.

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#90306d4330 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 2) - Two disabled members of the black nationalist African National Congress (ANC) were the first political exiles to arrive back in South Africa here Friday after the government announced guidelines for the indemnity (amnesty) of exiles on Thursday.

Dugmore Mthimkuke and Bongani Maseko arrived at Jan Smuts airport here accompanied by anti-apartheid activist Klaas de Jonge, who spent two years holed up in the Dutch embassy here from June 1985 to 1987 after he fled from police after he was arrested on suspicion of being an ANC agent.

The three men did not leave the airport's transit lounge and left later Friday for the capital of the Transkei nominally-independent tribal homeland.

On Thursday, Justice Minister Kobie Coetsee released a joint ANCgovernment working group report which details guidelines for release of political prisoners and indemnity for returning exiles.

The ANC said on Friday that it was satisfied with the report, but did not agree with the government's view that release of political prisoners and indemnity for exiles should take place in a "phased manner".

ANC spokesman Matthew Posa told a media conference here Friday that the organisation demanded immediate release of all political prisoners who qualified.

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#90306d4380 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 2) - The Arab foreign ministers of Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria will meet again in the next few days to discuss the Gulf crisis, foreign ministry sources said here Friday.

They said Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel-Meguid, his Saudi counterpart Saud al-Faisal and Syria's Faruk al-Sharaa will gather in Damascus but gave no details.

The three ministers met in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, last Wednesday.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev recently suggested an inter-Arab meeting to find a political solution to the Gulf crisis, triggered by the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak later rejected the idea of an Arab League meeting on the subject.

Syrian and Egyptian troops are part of a U.S.-led multinational force deployed in Saudi Arabia to deter a possible Iraqi attack.

Meanwhile, reports said French President Francois Mitterrand will meet Mubarak in Egypt Saturday and discuss the Gulf crisis. Mitterrand is to open a French-speaking university in Ismailia a day later.

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#90306d4430 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENNA (NOV. 2) - Nigeria has increased its crude oil output to 1.9 million barrels per day from 1.61 million bd before, the Opec news agency Opecna reported from Lagos Friday.

Vice President Augustus Aikhomu was quoted as saying the increase was in line with the recent decision by the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec).

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#90306d4460 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 2) - Some Israeli politicians Friday expressed concern at United Nations head Javier Perez de Cuellar's report on the Temple Mount massacre in which he linked the deaths of 20 Arabs in Jerusalem to ''Palestinian suffering'' in general.

In the report Thursday, Peres called for a world conference to determine whether Israel's handling of Palestinians in the occupied territories complies with terms of the 4th Geneva Convention, which spells out the rights of civilians under occupation rule.

Israeli radio said government sources had reacted to the report with ''surprise and concern''. No official statement was issued. A news conference announced for Friday by deputy foreign minister was cancelled at the last moment. No reason was given.

Former Israeli foreign minister Abba Eban said on army radio that the constant attention being focussed by the U.N. on Israel ''damaged not only Israel but the whole coalition against Iraq.''

The secretary-general only mentioned the Temple Mount incident and devoted much of his report to the suffering of Palestinians under Israeli rule and the ''frustration'' of the residents of the occupied territories over inadequate protection by international organizations and support services.

The report had been requested by the Security Council in a unanimous motion four days after the October 8 shooting deaths of some 20 Palestinians in Jerusalem. The resolution condemned Israel.

Israel rejected moves to permit a U.N. mission into the country, forcing Perez to draw on other sources in drafting his report.

Perez de Cuellar stressed that ''at the heart of the tragic events'' in Jerusalem is a political problem. For that reason, he said it is necessary that ''an effective negotiating process'' be started as soon as possible.

He said the determination of the Palestinians to continue their uprising ''is evidence of their rejection of the occupation and their commitment to exercise their legitimate rights, including self-determination.''

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#90306d4500 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 2) - Envoys from Britain and Albania will meet in Rome Monday for talks on a resumption of diplomatic relations severed over 50 years ago, the Foreign Office announced Friday.

Bilateral issues including the resumption of diplomatic ties will be discussed at the Rome meeting, a spokesman said.

Britian and Albania suspended their relations in 1939 when Italy occupied the Balkan state. They were officially cut in 1946 after the Italian defeat in World War II when a mine sank a British warship in Albanian territorial waters.

Talks to improve bilateral relations were held in Paris in 1985 and 1988.

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#90306d4550 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (NOV. 2) - Germany and Czechoslovakia Friday agreed to negotiate a new agreement on bilateral relations.

German Hans-Dietrich Genscher and his Czechoslovak counterpart Jiri Dienstbier said after a meeting here the planned accord should be linked to the one signed in 1973 and take the new political realities in Europe into consideration.

Genscher also had talks with Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel, Prime Minister Marian Calfa, parliamentary speaker Alexander Dubcek and Prague Archbishop Cardinal Frnatisek Tomasek.

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#90306d4560 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GENEVA (NOV. 2) - More than 600,000 women will have Acquired Immune-Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) by the end of 1992 and as many women as men will be suffering from the deadly disease by the end of the century, the World Health Organization (WHO) said here Friday.

Of the eight million people currently infected with the HIV virus that causes AIDS, three million are women, the November-December issue of the WHO magazine World Health published ahead of World AIDS Day on December 1, said.

"The impact of AIDS is not just a matter of numbers," the magazine said, emphasising that "AIDS affects women not only as individuals who are HIV-infected but also in their multiple roles in society and the family, as health care providers, educators, wives, mothers and income providers."

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#90306d4630 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HELSINKI (NOV. 2) (AFP) - Foreign ministers of the neutral and non-aligned countries of Europe on Friday emphasized the need to further strengthen the role of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE).

In a communique here after a two-day meeting, the ministers of Finland, Sweden Austria, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Malta, Yugoslavia, Cyprus and San Marino called for the CSCE to be the forum for negotiations on military security in Europe.

At the moment, only the NATO and Warsaw Pact countries are taking part in the Vienna negotiations on conventional armed forces in Europe, while all the 34 CSCE countries are taking part at the negotiations on confidence and security-building measures.

The main purpose of the Helsinki meeting was to prepare for the CSCE summit meeting in Paris on November 19-21, and the ministers said the Paris summit should take decisions on new structures for a broadened CSCE role.

They suggested regular meetings of participating states at head of state or head of government level every two years, foreign ministers' meetings twice a year and meetings of other senior officials "as appropriate", the communique said.

They backed the setting up of a "centre for the prevention of conflicts" and a CSCE secretariat.

They also stressed "the importance of the creation of a parliamentary body of the CSCE to be based on the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe", the communique added.

The ministers said the Paris summit would "highlight the opening of a new era of relations between the CSCE participating states", marked by respect for human rights, development of democracy, the market economy and social justice, as well as closer cooperation in the field of security.

Ministers also later told a press conference that they had discussed a new role for "neutrality" and said they had agreed that in principle a country's neutrality was no hindrance to its joining the European Economic Community.

But most of them agreed that if political union within the community saw closer military cooperation, then membership was not possible.

Finland has said that it considers its neutrality incompatible with EEC membership. But three of the nine participants at the conference -- Austria, Cyprus and Malta -- have already applied to join the community.

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#90306d4650 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CINCINNATI, OHIO (NOV. 2) - President George Bush Thursday assailed Iraq's continued use of foreign hostages as human shields as "inhuman" and warned such actions could not be tolerated much longer.

"The brutality against innocent civilians will not be tolerated and will not stand," Mr. Bush said at a fund-raising breakfast at a hotel here for Republican candidates in next Tuesday's elections.

Mr. Bush said he was also concerned over attempts at starving out U.S. diplomats resisting Iraqi orders to abandon the U.S. Embassy in occupied Kuwait City.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, he added, "is just as wrong as he can be. This must not be rewarded."

Using U.S. hostages as human shields to ward off any possible attack on strategic installations in Iraq violated all international laws, he said. "It is inhuman, it is wrong and it must not be rewarded."

According to the State Department, some 110 American men are being kept against their will at Iraqi military and industrial installations.

Stressing that he wanted a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis, Mr. Bush said "I hope there will never be a shot fired in anger" by the U.S. troops stationed in the Gulf. But he also reiterated that there could be no compromise on international demands that Iraqi forces fully withdraw from Kuwait.

"We will not stop short of our stated objectives," he said.

As scores of people demonstrated outside the hotel against the U.S. military buildup in the Gulf, Mr. Bush said that only the United States could lead an international coalition such as the one that has been formed against the Iraqi aggression.

More than 300,000 troops from the United States and other countries have gathered in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf region since Iraq invaded Kuwait three months ago.

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#90306d4810 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 2) - Rates for large tankers fixing for Western destinations out of the Gulf States area were little changed this week, although Japanese charterers conceded higher rates in the area, shipbroker E.A. Gibson said in its weekly report.

Activity in the market remains at a low level due to oil price uncertainty, the broker said, and not much business was done in smaller tonnage fixed out of the area.

Demand for tonnage out of West Africa was maintained throughout the week, and movements from the zone to the U.S. Gulf saw a rates improvement.

Enquiry in the Mediterranean loading zone was limited, and although Cross-Mediterranean trade enjoyed a modest rate improvement, rates for Europe-bound tankers made no progress.

Caribbean trade was reasonably active, but there was little fresh demand for North Sea movements.

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#90306d4880 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Dar es Salam (NOV. 2) - Tanzania Friday protested against Baghdad's alleged efforts to hire its nationals as Iraqi army mercenaries and demanded that this be stopped immediately.

Ashour Abbas, principal secretary in the Tanzanian foreign ministry, summoned Iraqi Ambassador Fauz Ali al-Bandar to Dar es Salam to convey the protest. Abbas demanded that Iraq's mission stop its activities.

Al-Bandar denied that his mission tried to hire mercenaries and said Tanzanians called at the embassy solely to express their solidarity with Iraqi over the Gulf crisis.

Would-be mercenaries were reportedly asked to leave their names and addresses

and pledge their will to wage a Jihad (Holy War) to defend Islam.

Several youths queued up outside the Iraqi mission here Friday to resgister. Many said they had heard that there was work in Iraq and one openly admitted, ''I know that I will join the Iraqi army.''

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#90306d4890 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV 2) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has ordered Soviet businesses to sell most of their hard currency profits to state organs for rubles, Tass news agency reported Friday.

The hard currency funds set up by state bodies will be used in 1991 to buy essential goods abroad and pay off the Soviet Union's foreign debt, the presidential decree said.

Soviet-foreign joint ventures are not concerned by the measures.

The Soviet firms -- regardless of who owns them -- will have to sell 40 percent of their hard currency profits to the all-union hard currency committee.

They will be allowed to retain an as yet unspecified portion for their own development, but will have to sell the remainder to hard currency committees in the republics and local soviets.

Hard currency will be sold to state bodies at the new commercial rate of 0.6 dollars per ruble.

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#90306d4900 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 2) - Former Japanese labor minister Hyosuke Niwa, who died Friday after being wounded in a knife attack last month, might have suffered complications from a transfusion of incompatible blood, police said.

Mr. Niwa, 78, was stabbed by what police described as a mentally deranged man while on a visit to a Self-Defense Force base in Nagoya on October 21.

He had been undergoing treatment at a hospital in Nagoya since the attack and had not regained consciousness, doctors were quoted as saying.

According to an autopsy, Mr. Niwa who had type O blood was given a transfusion of type B blood immediately after the attack, police said.

Police said Mr. Niwa might have died from shock resulting from excessive bleeding but that the wrong transfusion might have caused complications and hastened his death.

The veteran member of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party was made labor minister in December 1988 under then then prime minister Yasuhiro Nakasone.

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#90306d4950 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (NOV. 2) - The first Soviet film to investigate the disappearance in Hungary 45 years ago of Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg concludes that a solution to the mystery lies in KGB hands.

Alexander Rodnianski, a young film-maker from Kiev and a member of the committee of international experts on the Wallenberg affair, believes that the file on the Swedish diplomat is kept in KGB archives.

His documentary, which questions the official Soviet version that Mr. Wallenberg died in detention of a heart attack in 1947, was filmed in various regions of the Soviet Union where witnesses claim to have seen the diplomat following his arrest by the KGB in Budapest on January 19, 1945.

Mr. Wallenberg was posted to Hungary during the Nazi occupation and saved thousands of Jews by supplying them with Swedish passports.

The film shows various people who claim to have seen Mr. Wallenberg at various times after 1947.

One former prisoner said he was with Mr. Wallenberg in the Vladimir prison, some 200 kilometres (125 miles) from Moscow. Others said he was deported to a camp in the Kolyma region of Siberia or to the Perm region in the Urals.

The film also features a man claiming to be Mr. Wallenberg's son and another who claimed to have buried him, giving them little credence, while at the same time raising doubts about the official version of his fate, according to which he died in the Lubianka prison of the KGB in Moscow in Juy 1947.

On June 7 a committee of international experts published a 1,200-page report in Denmark concluding that Mr. Wallenberg could still be alive and saying that if the Soviet Union could not prove he was dead then he must be alive.

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#90306d4970 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RIO DE JANEIRO (NOV. 2) - Brazil will resume negotiations in New York next week with its commercial creditors on rescheduling 51 billion dollars of its foreign debt, officials said Friday.

Ambassador Jorio Dauster, who will lead Brazil's negotiating team, told local reporters the talks on restructuring the country's public sector debt would

likely take several weeks or months.

Last month Brazil angered its commercial creditors by proposing to pay off its 51 billion dollars in public sector debt only from potential budget surpluses. In the 1980's, Brazil negotiated a deal under which its debt repayments were linked to the country's annual trade surpluses.

The last agreement between Brazil and its commercial bank creditors, in 1988, was reached after seven months of negotiations and remained in effect for nine months before Brasilia stopped paying interest on its loans.

In September Brazil asked the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for a stand-by loan of two billion dollars to help meet its loan obligations, but the request has been put on hold pending an agreement between Brazil and its commercial creditors.

Mr. Dauster said the IMF's refusal to grant the stand-by loan "reduces Brazil's capacity to repay creditor banks" which are demanding payment of some eight billion dollars in overdue interest dating back to the second quarter of 1989.

Following the meeting with representatives of its commercial creditors, Mr. Dauster will meet with European bank directors and government officials to outline Brazil's proposal for its debt renegotiation, officials said.

Mr. Dauster has not yet released a precise calendar for these meetings.

Brazil's total foreign debt totals more than 116.9 billion dollars, the Third World's largest.

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#90306d4980 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (NOV. 2) - Saudi Arabia Friday categorically rejected charges by Amnesty International that Saudi security forces have tortured and expelled hundreds of Yemeni nationals.

An official Saudi source, in a statement carried by the Saudi Press Agency (Spa), said Amnesty members were welcome to visit the Kingdom to confirm this.

The London-based human rights watchdog group said Thursday it had evidence indicating that Saudi security forces tortured and ill-treated hundreds of Yemeni nationals since August because of their suspected opposition to Riyadh's position on the Gulf crisis.

The Saudi source said, ''The measure taken by the kingdom equating Yemeni nationals to people of other nationalities, with regard to rights and obligations, has nothing to do at all with the Arabian Gulf crisis or with the

Yemeni government's attitude towards the treacherous Iraqi aggression on the state of Kuwait.''

Saudi-Yemeni ties have soured over Yemen's support for Baghdad in the Gulf crisis, triggered by the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

In response to Yemen's stand, Saudi Arabia has suspended residence privileges for Yemenis working in the kingdom, setting off a mass migration of more than 350,000 Yemenis.

''The Yemenis who had left the kingdom following the new measures on residence did so at their own will, taking with them all their money savings and properties,'' the Saudi source said.

The source added that there are still hundreds of thousands of Yemenis working in Saudi Arabia after they had sorted out their residence problems.

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#90306d5070 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 2) - The Paris Bourse suffered a modest loss on Friday in depressed trading, with few deals and few investors in evidence, operators said.

The CAC-40 stock price index lost 0.65 percent on the day, and the very low volume of 600 million francs is explained by the absence of many investors for a long weekend, following the Nov 1 All-Saints holiday.

The day's only noteworthy activity related to Eurotunnel, the consortium building a tunnel under the English Channel. It lost 8.9 percent on the day after announcing a capital increase, on volume of 2.4 million shares.

Eurotunnel was quoted at 44.20 francs at the end of the day, against 48.50 at the Wednesday close. (Thursday was a holiday.)

Perrier (mineral water) was up 4.2 percent on the day at 1,141 francs after announcing a 115 percent jump in the group-share consolidated net result for the first half of the year.

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#90306d5140 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) - Washington's record wave of murders claimed its 400th victim of the year early Friday morning, already 27 more homicides than documented during all of 1989, the police said.

The 373 murders last year had already set a new record for the District of Columbia, which has the highest murder rate per capital of any U.S. city.

Among the latest victims was an 82-year-old woman who was beaten to death by a burglar Wednesday night in her home in the normally quiet northwest section of the capital. She was the third elderly woman slain in the city since mid-October.

And Friday at dawn police found the body of a 21-year-old man who had been stabbed to death in an apartment in southeast Washington, an area plagued by violence and drug trafficking.

"You know there are some really young children," among the victims, lamented Reverend Richard Downing, who said a mass Thursday night as he does each year in memory of slain Washingtonians.

It has become a custom for the list of names of those killed to be read during the ceremony in their memory at St. James Episcopalian Church.

But Thursday night, only 389 names were able to be mentioned, as the pace of the murders has become such that Rev. Downing was not able to keep the list up to date.

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#90306d5150 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (NOV. 2) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,347.00 (1,328.00) 1,338.50 (1,318.00)
Lead 371.00 (369.00) 374.50 (372.50)
Zinc Sh 1,293.00 (1,294.00) 1,291.00 (1,289.00)
Tin 6,200.00 (6,275.00) 6,195.00 (6,255.00)
Aluminium 1,877.50 (1,915.50) 1,709.00 (1,723.00)
Nickel 8,850.00 (8,700.00) 8,387.50 (8,305.00)

(The last three in dollars per ton)

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#90306d5170 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker will meet with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze in Moscow next Thursday as part of his upcoming tour of the Middle East and Europe, the State Department said Friday.

Announcing a revision of Mr. Baker's travel schedule, State Department Margaret Tutwiler also said Mr. Baker would confer with Chinese Foreign

Minister Qian Qichen on the Gulf crisis and other issues in Cairo next Tuesday.

Mr. Baker was initially to have met only with Mr. Shevardnadze in Geneva for talks on the Gulf crisis and arms control. But Miss Tutwiler said both sides agreed to change the venue for mutual convenience.

She said Mr. Baker and Mr. Qian, who last met on the sidelines of the U.N. General Assembly in New York in September, would be in Cairo at the same time and decided to seize the opportunity to meet again.

Mr. Baker was to leave early Saturday at the start of a tour which will take him to Bahrain Sunday, Saudi Arabia Monday, Cairo and Ankara Tuesday, Moscow Wednesday and Thursday, London and Paris Friday with a return home tentatively scheduled for Saturday.

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#90306d5200 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) - Moody's Investors Service Friday said it was considering upgrading Toshiba Corporation's senior unsecured debt ratings, as well as the Japanese multinational's U.S. subsidiaries' long term debt.

Moody's said it will be focusing on "Toshiba's potential for continued success" in future production and marketing strategies in the semiconductor and office and telecommunication equipment industries, as well as the cash flow potential for all of its major business segments.

Toshiba's "fast growing electronics businesses ... are highly competitive as well as cyclical," said the investors service in a statement.

Tokyo-based Toshiba Corporation is a worldwide producer of information and communication systems and electronic equipment for home and industry, with total assets valued at around 33 billion dollars.

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#90306d5230 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 2) - At least 24 temporary police stations will soon be opened in strife-torn Natal Province, Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok said Friday.

Speaking during a TV phone-in programme, he also called for a change of attitude among all parties in Natal for there to be permanent peace.

A four-year war between supporters of Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Party and of the African National Congress of Nelson Mandela has claimed more than 4,000 lives in Natal in the past four years.

Mr. Vlok called for roundtable talks on the issue involving "all Natalians" including the ruling National Party and the pro-apartheid Conservative Party as well as the ANC and Inkatha.

Meanwhile police said that two men were gunned down by assailants and a third wounded by a stray bullet Thursday at Isipingo, 50 kilometres (30 miles) south of the port city of Durban.

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#90306d5310 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (NOV. 2) - The chief of the world trade agency warned Friday that current multilateral trade talks aimed at liberalizing commerce are in an "alarming" state, a month before final talks are due to start in Brussels.

Arthur Dunkel, director-general of the Geneva-based General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), told representatives of countries taking part in the four-year "Uruguay Round" of trade talks that "What we have in hand 31 days before ministers meet in Brussels is alarming".

He said that "The risk of losing everything has never been so present".

Mr. Dunkel appealed to the European Economic Community (EEC) to submit at once its proposals on reducing world agricultural subsidies, as otherwise "the offers already on the table will inevitably be withdrawn, thus generalizing a process which has unfortunately already begun, and which must be stopped and reversed".

EEC member countries have so far been unable to agree on the offer the Community should submit on cutting its agriculture support programs.

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#90306d5320 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 2) - Rubber prices stretched lower early on in the week, and were then boosted by short-cover buying in New York before dropping back again ahead of the weekend.

Conditions were quiet with many European markets closed for public holdays in the latter part of the week.

The price for Ribbed Smoked Sheet No. 1 was 512.5 pounds per tonne for December delivery, unchanged on the week.

Traders said that sentiment in the market was gloomy, given the bad prospects for the world tyre industry.

A bad third-quarter trading statement from U.S. auto giant General Motors and

forecast losses by major tyre-makers weighed on the market, they said.

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#90306d5490 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (NOV. 2) - Israel on Friday delayed its response to a proposal by the U.N. secretary general that the 164 signatories of the Geneva Convention examine measures to protect Palestinians in the occupied territories.

Deputy Foreign Minister Binyamin Netanyahou at the last minute canceled a press conference that he had called to announce the Israeli position, saying the reply was not ready but would be forthcoming.

A source close to Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said he was angry at the suggestion made Thursday by secretary-general Javier Perez de Cuellar and would undoubtedly "reject any initiative that cast doubt on Israel's sovereignty over Jerusalem."

"Israel is doing everything in its power to guarantee the security of the (Palestinian) populations under its control," said Yossi Ahimeir, the director of Mr. Shamir's office.

"The insecurity is due to the violence perpetrated by the Palestinians against the Israelis and against their own compatriots," he added.

Another source close to Mr. Shamir voiced hope that the United States would block efforts by Mr. Perez de Cuellar to enforce his proposal.

The U.N. chief on Thursday suggested that the 164 signatories of the Geneva Convention get together to study measures to ensure the safety of Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

He said there were sufficient reasons for the Security Council to invite the signatories "to discuss possible measures that might be taken by them under the convention."

The secretary general of Israel's Labour Party, Miha Harish, "categorically rejected" the offer on behalf of his group and said such a measure was aimed at "undermining Israel."

The only endorsement came from Palestinian figures, with one of them, Faisal Husseini, saying it would "finally allow the implementation of international human rights in the occupied territories."

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KATHMANDU (NOV. 2) - More than 10,000 people held a peaceful demonstration

here Friday to denounce what they said was a conservative conspiracy against a democratic constitution for Nepal.

The demonstration was organized by a Nepal journalist association and a university teacher's union.

Riot police guarded public buildings and followed the procession, but no violent incident occurred, witnesses said.

Meanwhile, the pro-leftist All Nepal People's Youth League held a demonstration Thursday night at Lalitpur, attended by more than 4,000 people carrying flaming torches.

The demonstrators shouted slogans denouncing the monarchy and what they described as palace conspirators. Amid applause, some later burned a copy of a draft constitution prepared by the palace, witnesses said.

Reports reaching Kathmandu Friday said a similar protest was held at Siraha district, 190 kilometres (118 miles) southeast of Kathmandu, under the sponsorship of the Nepal Communist Party.

Meanwhile, the United Left Front Kathmandu Committee called a general strike for Wednesday as well as a demonstration in the capital, apparently to pressure the king to promulgate a democratic constitution by the scheduled date of November 9, sources said.

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PRETORIA, Nov 2 (AFP) - Red and white Polish flags and giant crates stamped "Warszawa Polen" at the showgrounds here on Friday were the most visible evidence yet of President Frederik de Klerk's claim that sanctions against South Africa are crumbling.

"The Polish government is against sanctions," declared Polish Foreign Ministry aide Marek Kulczycki at a press conference just before the opening of the first trade fair ever to be held in South Africa by an eastern bloc state.

And, against a backdrop of stands crammed with Polish products ranging from bottles of jam and vodka to surgical instruments and huge agricultural machinery, South African Trade Minister Kent Durr proclaimed the Polish Trade Fair part of the "growing globalization of South Africa's trade."

More than 140 Polish trade representatives, headed by member of Parliament Andrzej Arendarski, who is also president of the Polish Chamber of Commerce, are in the country to promote bilateral trade.

On Tuesday it was announced that the South African and Polish governments were

to establish diplomatic ties in the form of "permanent offices of interests" in each other's countries.

"We are determined to develop this relationship and no-one is going to stop us " Professor Andrzej Zawislak, economic adviser to the Polish deputy prime minister, told the press conference.

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#90306d5730 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRID (NOV 2) - The Vatican is loaning its collection of Michelangelo studies for the Sistine Chapel -- about 100 sketches -- for their first public showing in the Spanish capital early next year, culture ministry sources said here Friday.

The designs have never been allowed out of the Vatican library and museum, and for most of them special permission is required for viewing because of their fragile state. They date from 1508-12.

The exhibition here is to run from January 15 to March 31 and then transfer to Venice in Italy for two months.

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OTTAWA (NOV. 2) - A government-appointed panel recommended Friday that Canada enact legislation within 10 years barring all oil tankers or fuel-carrying barges that are not equipped with double hulls from its territorial waters.

The independent panel was appointed in June 1989 to study ways to counter pollution following two major oil spills, including the March 1989 Exxon Valdes' accident in Alaska, fouled portions of Canada's west coast.

If the government were to accept the 107 recommendations made by the panel, it would have the world's strictest regulations for oil tankers and barges, the committee said.

The safety measures would be implemented over a period of 10 years at a total estimated cost of more than one billion U.S. dollars.

The money would come from levying taxes on all crude oil shipments in territorial waters accept those carried in vessels with double hulls, which are designed to keep oil from leaking if the ship runs aground or is struck by another vessel.

The federal government has stated it would "respond boldly and with concrete measures" to the environmental problems the committee has brought up.

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#90306d5980 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LIMA (NOV 2) - Inflation dropped to below 10 percent in October here for the first time in a decade in a victory for President Alberto Fujimori's harsh anti-inflation program, economists said Friday.

The government said the official inflation rate in October was 9.6 percent, still high but well below the double- and triple-digit monthly rates that have prevailed in Peru since 1980.

Austerity measures introduced after Mr. Fujimori assumed office in July knocked down the monthly rate from 397 percent in August to 13.8 percent in September.

Economists calculate the inflation rate for the first 10 months of the year at 5,813 percent and the annual rate at 9,852 percent.

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#90306d5990 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (NOV. 2) - Newly unified Yemen, an ally of Iraq, is planning to block Kuwaiti oil exports to five markets in the Indian Ocean region, ostensibly as a means of complying with U.N. sanctions against Iraq, informed sources said here Friday.

Kuwait had contracts with the five countries prior to the August 2 Iraqi invasion and had consigned some 200,000 tons of crude to refineries in the Yemen port of Aden as part of the deal. The countries involved are the Comoro Islands, Mauritius, the Seychelles, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

The Kuwaiti exile government in Taif, Saudi Arabia, has repeatedly appealed to the Yemeni government to fulfill obligations of the pre-invasion contracts.

Yemen's U.N. envoy has said the delivery of Kuwaiti oil and petroleum products could violate the August 6 U.N. Security Council resolution calling for a trade embargo against Iraq and occupied Kuwait. The resolution was adopted on a 13-0 vote with Yemen and Cuba opting to abstain.

The Security Council has set up a sanctions committee to deal with the issue at the behest of the exile Kuwaiti government. A majority of committee members meeting Thursday favoured approving the export of the Kuwaiti oil in question, according to sources.

A final decision on the issue is expected Monday. Committee sources expected, however, that Yemen would continue to quibble that the amount of oil shipped from Aden to Kuwait before the invasion is no longer determinable. Kuwaiti exile leaders are said to be prepared to provide documentation from the Kuwait

Petroleum Corporation (Kpc) in London confirming the figure of 200,000 tons.

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#90306d6110 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUCHAREST (NOV 2) - Thousands of people demonstrated in Romania Friday for the second day running against price increases and the lifting of price controls.

About 2,000 people staged a one-hour protest at the official residence of President Ion Iliescu, and about 3,000 demonstrators earlier occupied University Square in the city centre.

Meanwhile, about 1,000 workers from the biggest Bucharest factories responded to trade union calls to gather in the south of the capital.

Some of the protestors, bearing the Romanian national flag, shouted "Down with Iliescu" as they marched.

One of them said the president and the government were responsible for the price increases and the "disastrous economic situation".

The government, which lifted controls Thursday, said that price increases would affect only wholesale costs and would not immediately raise prices for such basic products as electricity, coal, food and children's clothing.

The unions demanded that "price liberalization be accompanied by wage liberalization."

The average salary in Romania stands at 3,000 lei (90 dollars) a month, and although the government has pledged to give workers a 750 lei (20 dollar) bonus every month to the end of the year to make up for higher prices, demonstrators said this was not enough.

A building industry labourer with a family of two children said his salary of 2,250 (67 dollars) lei a month would not even with the 750 lei bonus cover the price rises, which he described as "exorbitant."

The unions also called for a "parliamentary commission to work with the unions to make sure the population does not go short of basic needs."

University Square was occupied on Thursday for almost eight hours by some 3,000 people protesting against the price liberalization policy.

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#90306d6130 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 2) - Western and Japanese nationals held as "human shields" by

Iraq in key strategic installations Friday told correspondents visiting them for the first time in three months they were well-treated but would like to receive letters from home.

"They treat us with kindness but I haven't received a single letter from the outside despite having sent many letters to my nine sons in the United States," said 57-year-old American hostage Clem J. Hale.

He is one of 400 Westerners and Japanese, among some 4,000 held by Iraq, detained as "human shields" in military and strategic installations in Iraq and Kuwait to deter any attack in reprisal for Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Correspondents of foreign media based in Bagdhad were able to visit him and meet other U.S. nationals, Britons, Australians, Germans, and Japanese during a government-sponsored seven-hour tour of three sites located outside Baghdad.

The Information Ministry which organised the tour urged correspondents who were invited, including an Agence France-Presse reporter, not to reveal the exact location of the sites.

At one of the sites, the meeting took place near an empty swimming pool surrounded by prefabricated one-bedroom houses where the hostages, known in Iraq as "guests" were living.

The visit - the first since the Gulf crisis erupted - came in response to accusations this week by U.S. President George Bush who said he was "fed up" with Iraq's detention of foreigners who were kept in "inhuman" condition. All the hostages told reporters they were being "well treated" by the authorities but most complained about their isolation.

"Psychologically it is very difficult because I have never before been detained against my will," Hale said, adding that he was seized in Kuwait where he worked for the Education Ministry.

British engineer Less Robertson, who was also seized in Kuwait at the onset of the Gulf crisis, complained of "monotonous days." "I wake up, I walk, I read, I eat and that's all," he said, adding that he was also using the time to study Arabic and kept up with developments by listening to the radio.

Another Briton who refused to be identified said he had lost eight kilograms (17.6 pounds) since his detention and was in "urgent need of a nose operation". He did not elaborate.

Michael Jones, a 60-year-old pastor said he celebrated mass each day with 13 other co-detainees, including his wife, Jean, who had refused to be evacuated with the wives of the other hostages earlier on in the Gulf crisis.

Nicholas Fats Simon, a 54-year-old Australian, also complained of a lack of communication with the outside world and said he did not know if his family had received the letters he had sent them.

Saashio, a Japanese national who worked for Japan Airlines, voiced hope that his ordeal would soon be over saying he was looking forward to "a vacation in my country before returning to the Gulf, a region I like very much."

Information Minister Latif Nassif Jassem on Thursday dismissed remarks by Bush that the foreigners were being harmed in any way. Bernd Krueger of Germany also hoped for an early end to the Gulf crisis. "I hope that Willy Brandt's forthcoming mission will be crowned with the release of all the hostages, but it is highly unlikely," he said, referring to the former West German chancellor.

Krueger also said he had recently received through the German embassy in Baghdad a package from home containing foodstuff and cigarettes as well as a letter from his wife.

Brandt will be visiting Iraq next week on an unofficial visit to seek the release of Germans, Swiss, Belgians and Dutch nationals detained here and in Kuwait.

Iraqi Information Minister Latif Nassif Jassem on Thursday dismissed remarks by Bush that "Iraq's guests" were being harmed in any way. He told a news conference Thursday in Baghdad that the foreigners were provided with "all the means necessary for their comfort" in keeping with Arabic and Islamic traditions of hospitality.

Iraq has invited the relatives of the "human shields" to visit them for Christmas and the New Year, but Washington and London have officially rejected the offer. Jassem reiterated the offer on Friday and said that families wishing to come to Iraq "will be well-treated and free to leave."

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BELFAST (NOV. 2) - The Irish Republican Army (IRA) claimed the killing of a part-time soldier in the Ulster Defence Regiment, an auxiliary force of the British army in Northern Ireland, in a car-bomb blast at Cookstown, County Tyrone, Friday, police said.

Mechanic Albert Cooper, 42, a sergeant in the UDR, was torn to pieces when the booby-trapped car exploded as he was getting ready to repair it, a Royal Ulster Constabulary spokesman said.

Witnesses said the car had been taken to the garage by a woman dressed in black. She reportedly asked the mechanic to install a new exhaust pipe.

The attack came a week after the IRA threatened vengeance for the killing of a member of the Sinn Fein, the IRA's political branch, by a loyalist (pro-British) para-military group near Cookstown.

The mechanic was the 64th person to die in political violence in Northern Ireland this year. Eight UDR members were among those killed.

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#90306d6160 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEGUCIGALPA (NOV 2) - The Honduran Government announced Friday that it was firing 10,000 public sector employees as of January in an effort to reduce the budget deficit.

The job cutbacks, representing 10 percent of all state workers, come as part of the Honduran government's effort to comply with the fiscal recommendations of international financial institutions, officials said.

"The government sector has grown in a disorganized manner, and it must be cut back," Civil Service director Roberto Lagos said.

The latest announced cutbacks follow President Rafael Callejas' decision earlier this year to eliminate 8,000 government jobs without providing severance pay or placement assistance.

Mr. Lagos promised that in the wake of this latest round of dismissals, efforts would be made to help those affected find private sector employment.

Honduras' general budget for 1991, approved by its Congress last Monday, has set aside five million dollars for such unemployment assistance.

These latest cutbacks to be implemented will increase Honduras' already skyrocketing unemployment, which economists estimate at more than 40 percent.

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#90306d6190 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (NOV. 2) - General Ibrahim Babangida Friday warned leaders and supporters of the two political parties in Nigeria not to allow "normal political conflicts" or "democratic rivalries" to degenerate into warfare.

The warning followed reports of violence between supporters of the conservative National Republican Convention (NRC) and the Social Democratic Party (SDP) in which a several people died.

"You should develop a live-and-let-live posture to politics", he said at his first official meeting with the chairmen of the NRC and SDP, Tom Ikimi and

Baba Gana Kingibe.

Gen. Babangida said the consequences of the violence and factionalism within the parties would be grave for party system and democracy in Nigeria.

He urged the parties to discourage the emergence of "a new generation of political spoilers."

On the involvement of the military in the nation's politics, Gen. Babangida, who is the nation's sixth military head of state in 24 years, said that the involvement has "dangerously eroded the institutional core values of the defence and security systems of our nation".

"Military dominance in governance has itself now become anti-military in its consequence, he added.

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#90306d6210 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (NOV. 2) - A British parliamentary committee is due to arrive in South Africa on Saturday as part of an inquiry it is conducting into British policy on southern Africa, the British information services here said.

The nine members of the House of Commons foreign affairs committee will meet President Frederik de Klerk, leading members of government and leaders of political groups and parties, the service said in a statement.

Among the groups named are the African National Congress, the Pan Africanist Congress, the Azanian People's Organisation, Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Party, the white liberals' Democratic Party and "leading independent figures".

The delegation will also meet leaders of the business community, representatives of non-governmental organisations and universities and visit projects supported by the British aid programme. The delegation will be led by David Howell, a Conservative Party MP.

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#90306d6360 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) - Government reports Friday on a dwindling U.S. job market and falling economic indicators seem to confirm what many economists have been saying all along: the U.S. economy is slipping into a recession.

Unemployment for October continued as in September at 5.7 per cent, but that represented the highest rate since March 1988 and followed three months of steady increases from 5.2 per cent.

The October figure released by the Labor Department seemed to indicate unemployment had stabilized, when it really meant the economy had failed to create some 200,000 new jobs -- the average monthly increase over the past year.

The U.S. job market has been shrinking steadily for the past three months with 70,000 real jobs lost in October and 52,000 in September.

More bad news came when the Commerce Department reported a 0.8 per cent drop in its leading economic indicators for September, following a 1.2 per cent setback in August.

Only one of 11 indicators used as economic forecasting tools showed any improvement, nine fell and one -- average workweek -- remained unchanged: a highly unusual set of circumstances according to economists.

Three consecutive monthly setbacks in the index of leading economic indicators -- there have been two so far -- is widely considered a reliable sign of economic recession.

For some economists like Robert Dederick of Chicago's Northern Trust Company, Friday's government reports amounted to "strong evidence that the economy really has lost its footing now and slipped into recession."

David Blitzer, vice chairman of Standard and Poor's, agreed: "All these figures show a serious deterioration ... a very weak economy ... on the very edge of a recession."

Economists are most concerned over the shrinking job market, since it is expected to erode further consumer confidence -- already at a six year low because of the Gulf crisis and its escalating energy prices -- and consumer spending along with it.

Consumer spending is the only sign of strength the economy is left with: it accounted for the 1.8 per cent growth in the gross national product during the third quarter this year, after a sluggish 0.4 per cent growth from April to June.

Mr. Blitzer saw only gloom in store for the U.S. economy, with negative economic growth for the last quarter of this year, although he believed it was still possible to avoid a full-fledged recession if the Federal Reserve softened its credit policy and lowered interest rates.

Many economists equate a recession with two consecutive quarters of negative gross national product (GNP) growth.

The Fed lowered interest rates marginally this week, but many analysts said it was too little to spark any meaningful growth in the economy.

The latest survey conducted by the Blue Chip Economic Indicators financial magazine among 52 leading economists predicted a 0.6 per cent negative GNP growth for the remainder of the year, followed by a further 0.1 per cent decline in the first quarter of 1991.

Hopefully, the economists added, economic growth will pick up in the second quarter with an expected 1.2 per cent advance.

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GENEVA (NOV 2) - Asian and Latin American developing countries on Friday blamed the European Economic Community (EEC) for what GATT Director General Arthur Dunkel described as the "alarming" state of world trade negotiations scheduled to wind up in barely a month.

With 31 days to go to the final ministerial session of the Uruguay Round of trade talks, scheduled to open on December 3 in Brussels, Mr Dunkel told an informal session of delegation heads of the 100-odd participating countries that the risk of a failure "has never been so present."

In such areas as agriculture, textiles and clothing, and trade in services, the gap between the objectives agreed when the Uruguay Round was launched four years ago at Punta del Este and "what we have in hand... is alarming," Mr Dunkel said.

The negotiations, held under the auspices of GATT (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade), aim at sweeping trade liberalization and bringing services and other new areas such as intellectual property under the wing of GATT.

A collapse of the talks could threaten future trade expansion, vital to growth and development in both rich and poor countries, and to solving global debt problems.

Indonesia's chief negotiator, ambassador Hassan Kartadjoemena, strongly urged the EEC to come forward with a formal proposal on agriculture, warning that the the Uruguay Round could otherwise "grind to a halt" before the finish.

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#90306d6800 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (NOV 2) - The United States asked U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar Friday to try to stop the "inhuman" treatment inflicted by Iraq on foreigners and diplomats.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar received a mandate from the Security Council to use his good offices to protect the security and well-being of citizens of third

countries and foreign diplomats in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

The diplomats in Kuwait are living under "difficult and dramatic conditions" lacking food and water, said a senior U.S. official after meeting with Mr. Perez de Cuellar.

"Conditions there are very inhuman," said the U.S. official, who spoke on condition he not be identified. "They operate in very difficult situations in terms of food and basic services."

Following the departure of French diplomats, only a handful of U.S. and British diplomats continue to live in their respective embassies.

Prince Saddrudin Agha Khan, charged by Mr. Perez de Cuellar to look into the living conditions of foreigners in Kuwait and Iraq, has so far been refused a visa by Baghdad.

More than 3,000 foreigners are still being held in Iraq and Kuwait, among them 1,400 British and 1,100 U.S. nationals.

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#90306d6810 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 2) - The United States plans early talks with the new Pakistani Government on guarantees that Islamabad does not possess a nuclear bomb, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs John Kelly said Friday.

He told a congressional subcommittee that, in the meantime, the administration of President George Bush had "complied with the law and suspended all military assistance and new economic aid to Pakistan due to the absence of certification at the beginning of the new fiscal year (which began October 1)."

Without such presidential certification, required annually by law, Pakistan is not eligible for U.S. economic and military aid, which ran at an estimated total of 600 million dollars prior to fiscal 1990.

Commenting on October 24 elections which saw the defeat of former prime minister Benazir Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party, Mr. Kelly said the voting "seems to us to have given the Pakistani people a generally fair opportunity to choose their government.

"We will review all available information to implement the recently enacted requirement to certify the election as condition for certain U.S. aid," he added.

Mr. Kelly stressed that Washington and Islamabad shared "important interests in regional peace and stability and in an honorable political settlement in

Afghanistan." Pakistan is a major conduit for covert U.S. aid to the Afghan rebels.

Mr. Kelly also cited Pakistan's support for the U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq and its participation -- 2,000 troops -- in the U.S.-led multinational forces protecting Saudi Arabia in the wake of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

On Indian-Pakistani relations, Mr. Kelly said "the immediate risk of conflict has subsided, but tensions ... remain high." Indian charges that Pakistan was fanning separatist unrest in India's Jammu and Kashmir state brought tensions to an alarming level last spring.

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WASHINGTON (NOV 2) - The World Bank has agreed to lend China 275 million dollars for agricultural projects.

The bank said Friday it had agreed to lend 75 million dollars while its subsidiary, the International Development Association, agreed to a 200 million dollar credit. The IDA specializes in lending to the poorest countries.

The bank said it was funding a program to provide investment funds for rural enterprises and agricultural projects.

Under the program, China will also receive technical assistance to strengthen rural financial institutions.

The loan is to be paid back in 20 years, with repayment to begin after a five-year grace period. The interest rate is variable, but is currently at 7.72 percent.

The IDA loan is interest-free for 35 years with a 10-year grace period. There is an annual charge of 0.75 percent of funds which have been disbursed and up to 0.5 percent on amounts not yet disbursed.

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PARIS (NOV 3) - Three French soldiers on a reconnaissance mission near the Saudi-Iraqi border were captured by an Iraqi patrol and taken to Baghdad, where they were handed over to the French charge d'affaires, the defence ministry said Friday.

The incident took place on Monday somewhere northwest of the Saudi town of Hafar el Batin, which is 70 kilometres (40 miles) from the Iraqi border, the ministry said, adding that an inquiry had been opened.

The French soldiers, who were travelling in a jeep were taken without "any hostile act" on the part of the Iraqi patrol, the ministry statement said.

It was not clear if the soldiers were still inside Saudi territory or if they had strayed over the border into Iraq.

A French military source said it looked like the soldiers might have passed too close to the border despite strict orders to avoid doing so.

A "firm reminder" had been issued to French troops since.

French forces are spread over a wide area of desert to protect the strategic town of Hafar el Batin and make regular patrols within a few dozen kilometres (miles) of the Iraqi border.

The French military source said the nature of the terrain sometimes made it difficult for troops to use equipment determining their position and it was possible they crossed into Iraqi territory without being aware of it.

French forces had almost completed a redeployment a few dozen kilometres (miles) further away from the Iraqi border and have just received reinforcements of helicopters and armoured vehicles.

The French charge d'affaires in Baghdad was investigating how the soldiers could be returned to the French military authorities, the French Defence Ministry statement said.

A French military source here said the three soldiers, an officer and two non-commissioned officers, could soon be repatriated to France.

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#90306d6960 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MEXICO CITY (NOV 2) - Salvadoran rebels and representatives of eight Salvadoran political parties Friday ended two days of meetings here on the role of the military and March elections, a rebel spokesman said.

In the second day of talks, representatives met privately "as friends, and sometimes even in the delegates' hotel rooms," a spokesman for the rebel Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front said.

"They discussed an agreement, as had been scheduled, but that doesn't mean there are agreements to report," he added.

In a plenary session late Thursday, the delegates discussed the armed forces and legislative and municipal elections set for March, according to Guillermo Ungo, head of the National Revolutionary Movement and a coordinator of the

meeting.

Francisco Guerrero, a representative of the ruling Nationalist Republican Alliance and the president's private secretary, said the next round of talks between the government and rebels might be rescheduled for "around November 20." Currently, they are set for November 4 in Mexico City.

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#90306d6980 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PASADENA, California (NOV 2) - The route of the Ulysses space probe was adjusted Friday to give it more time to study the sun, officials announced.

"This is just to tweak the trajectory for the maximum amount of time over the sun's poles," said Franklin O'Donnell, a spokesman for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

The latest correction and four days of thruster firings that began October 15 will allow the 250 million dollar Ulysses to spend an additional week orbiting the sun. It will reach the sun's south pole in 1994.

The probe, which is a joint venture by NASA and the European Space Agency, was launched from the space shuttled Discovery October 6.

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#90306d7020 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (NOV 3) - An Italian parliamentary delegation arrived in Baghdad on Friday and met with the speaker of the Iraqi National Council or parliament, the official Iraqi News Agency reported.

The Italian delegation, headed by Giovanni Rosso Spina, is made up of representatives of several opposition parties and includes two members of the European Parliament.

Mr. Spina, upon arriving in the Iraqi capital, told INA in a report monitored here that Italians were against a military solution to the Gulf crisis.

The Iraqi parliamentary speaker, Saadi Mahdi Saleh, insisted on the need for a global solution to all the conflicts in the region as proposed by President Saddam Hussein in a speech on August 12, INA said.

The Italian government on Wednesday said it was opposed to sending a parliamentary delegation to Iraq.

The decision to dispatch a party was made Tuesday by the Foreign Affairs Commission of the Italian Chamber of Deputies, or lower house, following a proposal by ecologist parties and the extreme-left Proletarian Democracy.

A summit of the European Economic Community in Rome last weekend adopted a statement underlining the EEC's determination not to send government representatives to negotiate the release of hostages with Iraq.

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#90306d7040 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OAXACA, Mexico (NOV 2) - Members of a self-described human rights group Friday released the acting German consul here after holding him hostage for five days in his office, and were then allowed to go free, officials said.

The captors had been pressing for the release of an imprisoned former university dean accused of links with leftist subversives and of involvement in the killing of two security guards at a newspaper in Mexico City.

Under a deal mediated by the government of southern Oaxaca state, the abductors freed Wolfgang Wilczek, who had yet to present his diplomatic credentials, after he agreed not to press charges against them.

The state government, in turn, pledged to try to speed up legal proceedings in the case of the jailed former dean, Felipe Martinez. Defense lawyers filed for a writ of habeas corpus September 20, but the Mexican courts have yet to act on the petition.

Mr. Wilczek, commenting on his ordeal, said "given the circumstances, they treated me well enough, although with mixed feelings -- there were several moments when the situation was very tense."

He said he had been denied food and medicine -- he had influenza -- for the past 24 hours.

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#90306d7060 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 3) - Thousands of people, fleeing fighting in central Mozambique, have recently taken refuge in neighboring Malawi, the French humanitarian organization Medecins Sans Frontieres (Doctors without Borders) said Friday.

The organization said fierce combats had resumed in the Mozambican province of Zambezia, sending 13,000 north across the border to Malawi within the past 20 days.

Medecins Sans Frontieres last week decided to dispatch an extra medical team to Malawi and said it would be sending more reinforcements to cope with the "very large" refugee flow.

It said local observers expected another 10,000 to 15,000 refugees by the end

of the month, bringing the total number to over 40,000. Transit camps in southern Malawi were overcrowded and the organization said it was treating 20 new cases of cholera per day.

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#90306d7070 11/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LOS ANGELES, (NOV 2) - Actor Marlon Brando's daughter regained consciousness at a Tahitian hospital Friday after slipping into a coma following a drug overdose.

The actor flew to the island where Cheyenne Brando, 20, was hospitalized after taking antidepressants and tranquilizers, according to Robert Shapiro, a lawyer for the family.

Mr. Shapiro is defending Christian Brando, who is accused of killing Miss Brando's boyfriend, Dag Drollet, 26, at Marlon Brando's California estate on May 16.

Prosecutors want Miss Brando to testify at the trial.

Marlon Brando, 66, said his daughter had had a nervous breakdown and accused prosecutors of harassing her.

A doctor at Mamao Hospital in Tahiti confirmed that Miss Brando was hospitalized there but declined to elaborate. "She's hospitalized. That's all I can say," he said.

Christian Brando has said he accidentally killed Mr. Drollet during a scuffle over a gun.

"He's very depressed by this, exceedingly depressed. What else can happen?" Mr. Shapiro said of Christian Brando. "It just is a continuing chain of horrible events for both the Brandos and the Drollets."

Miss Brando, who was present at the shooting, fled to Tahiti, where she gave birth on June 27 to the child fathered by the late Mr. Drollet.

French authorities in Tahiti charged her as an accessory to Mr. Drollet's murder and ordered her to remain on the island but well-informed sources said the investigating magistrate was not opposed to her being heard by a U.S. court.

Also Friday, Deputy District Attorney William Clark confirmed a report that Miss Brando had once implicated her father in the killing. Mr. Shapiro said she recanted the accusation and that it was just one of five conflicting statements she gave.

Mr. Clark also said Miss Brando had implicated her brother in a deposition.

"He told me, 'It's done. I have killed him'," Miss Brando said, according to Mr. Clark. "He told me that it was necessary that I lie by saying, that I must say that he was fighting with Dag."

The family's lawyer said Miss Brando "clearly is suffering from serious mental and emotional problems."

Jury selection in the trial of Christian Brando is scheduled to begin Monday.

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#90306e0010 11/02/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

RESISTENCIA, ARGENTINA (NOV. 2) EFE - Two people have drowned and thousands have been forced to flee their homes, as flood waters engulfed large areas of northern Argentina, officials said Friday.

In the northern province of Chaco, 3,000 people were evacuated from their homes and some 120,000 hectares of farmland were deluged in just a few hours by rainfall of more than 400mm.

Temporary lodgings have been found outside the flood zone for the evacuees while the local authorities wait for the waters to go down to assess the damage.

The two drowning victims were a 16-year-old youth and a 53-year-old man who were found in a canal near the town of Roque Saenz Pena, 1,100 km north of Buenos Aires.

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#90306e0014 11/02/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BRASILIA (NOV 2) EFE - Checks were being stepped up at Brazilian airports and border posts Friday as police continued to search for clues to the escape of two major international drug traffickers from jail the previous day.

Press reports said the two escapees, Italian citizen Umberto Ammaturo and Israeli-born U.S. citizen Reuben Tenamee, had been held in maximum security cells in Brasilia awaiting extradition on drugs charges.

Police said they found the mens' cell doors open with no signs of being forced suggesting that prison staff were involved in the breakout.

Justice Minister Jarbas Passarinho ordered a police investigation into the escape.

-30- 829
#90306e0021 11/02/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
BUENOS AIRES (NOV 2) EFE - The Argentine government said Friday that plans for the second stage of its controversial privatization program would be completed by May next year.

Minister of Public Works and Services Roberto Dromi said the conditions for handing over road and rail construction and other state-controlled activities to private hands would be concluded by May.

The second stage of the privatization program envisages the transfer of water, electric power and gas services, and concessions for port maintenance to the private sector.

President Carlos Menem's government is currently in the process of selling the state telephone company ENTel and the national airline Aerolineas Argentinas, both set to be purchased by international consortiums.

The privatizations have stirred opposition within Menem's ruling Justicialist (Peronist) Party and split the Peronist trade union movement into two competing blocs.

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#90306e0038 11/02/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MOSCOW (NOV 2) EFE - The Soviet Union wants to break down political barriers between the United States and Cuba without weakening Moscow's relationship with Havana, the Soviet daily Pravda Friday quoted Communist Party politburo member Oleg Shenin as saying.

Shenin, who just returned from a three-day official visit to Cuba, said the obstacles blocking normal relations between the United States and Cuba "are many, serious and basic", but added that "some possibilities already exist" of solving the neighbors' differences.

"The Soviet Union will try to make those obstacles disappear, but without harming Soviet-Cuban relations," he said.

In reference to recent criticism from progressive Soviet newspapers over Moscow's continued support for the hardline Communist island, Shenin said the criticisms were an "insult to the Cuban people."

He called on the Soviet government to give an official opinion on "these destructive publications which undermine our relations with Cuba."

He said Cuba was going through a difficult time and, "You should not heat up tension, but analyze calmly the many complicated problems, look for solutions and restructure outdated methods of cooperation in the interest of our

country."

"The Cuban leaders trust that we will be able to maintain our friendship and collaboration," Shenin concluded.

Fierce antagonism between Washington and Havana dates back to the 1959 communist revolution, and thousands of Cubans opposed to leader Fidel Castro have flocked to the United States.

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#90306f1748 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00
Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:
30 to 59 days 7.78
60 to 89 days 7.89
90 to 119 days 7.71
120 to 149 days 7.66
150 to 179 days 7.62
180 to 270 days 7.55

Commercial Paper (range):
Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.80 - 7.60
Issuers 30 days 7.80
Issuers 90 days 7.80
Issuers 270 days 7.48

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:
30 to 59 days 7.89
60 to 89 days 8.06
90 to 119 days 7.95
120 to 149 days 7.95
150 to 179 days 7.95
180 days 7.95
Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:
(Interest rates in secondary market: Bid and Offered)
Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16
1 month 7.875 - 8.00
3 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16
6 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16
Year 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:
(Secondary market discount rate: Bid and Offered)
3 months 7.08 - 7.06
6 months 7.05 - 7.03
Year 6.88 - 6.86

Federal Funds: High 8, Low 7 7/8, Close 7 7/8
Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.689 off 0.003.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90306h0003 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) XINHUA - A NEW SCANNING TUNNELING MICROSCOPE (STM) WILL ENABLE SCIENTISTS TO WATCH CHEMICAL PROCESSES AT THE ATOMIC LEVEL IN LIVING CELLS.

ORDINARY ELECTRON MICROSCOPES EMIT POWERFUL BEAMS THAT DAMAGE OR DESTROY BIOLOGICAL SPECIMENS. NEARLY A DECADE AFTER THE STM WAS INVENTED AT IBM'S ZURICH LABORATORY, THE TECHNOLOGY CONTINUES TO OPEN NEW FRONTIERS.

NOW, IBM'S NEW DEVICE FIRES A LESS HARMFUL BEAM. FIRST-GENERATION STM HAS A NEEDLE WITH A SUPERFINE POINT THAT CAN TRACE THE CONTOURS OF INDIVIDUAL ATOMS.

ACCORDING TO NOVEMBER 5 ISSUE OF THE BUSINESS WEEK, THE NEW INSTRUMENT, DEVELOPED BY A TEAM HEADED BY HANS-WERNER FINK OF IBM'S ZURICH LAB, USES A SIMILAR NEEDLE TO SHOOT ITS ELECTRON BEAM AT A SPECIMEN.

THE BEAM DOESN'T PENETRATE BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES, AS X-RAYS DO -- IT CASTS A SHADOW ON A FLUORESCENT-SCREEN DETECTOR. AROUND THE SHADOW'S EDGES IS AN INTERFERENCE PATTERN, SIMILAR TO THOSE THAT PRODUCE HOLOGRAMS. FINK'S GROUP IS WORKING ON COMPUTER SOFTWARE TO TRANSLATE THE PATTERNS INTO THREE-DIMENSIONAL IMAGES FOR DISPLAY ON A COMPUTER SCREEN.

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#90306h0005 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) XINHUA - THE MOST POPULAR COLLEGE ENTRANCE TEST IN THE UNITED STATES -- THE SAT -- HAS BEEN REVISED SUBSTANTIALLY AFTER THREE YEARS OF DISCUSSIONS TO BETTER MEASURE STUDENTS' CRITICAL THINKING AND PROBLEM SOLVING SKILLS.

BOSTON-BASED COLLEGE BOARD, WHICH SPONSORS THE EXAMINATION, ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY THAT THE NEW SAT (SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST) WILL HAVE LONGER READING COMPREHENSION PASSAGES AND MORE QUESTIONS BASED ON THEM FOR THE VERBAL SECTION. MEANWHILE, IT WILL DROP 25 QUESTIONS ON ANTONYMS.

AS FOR THE MATH SECTION, THE REVISED TEST, SCHEDULED FOR SPRING OF 1994, WILL INCLUDE 10 TO 15 QUESTIONS THAT WILL REQUIRE STUDENTS TO PRODUCE ANSWERS, REDUCING THE NUMBER OF MULTIPLE-CHOICE PROBLEMS FROM 60 TO 40 TO 45. CALCULATORS WILL BE, FOR THE FIRST TIME, ALLOWED TO USE TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS.

FOREIGN STUDENTS WHO WANT TO APPLY FOR A U.S. COLLEGE ARE USUALLY REQUIRED TO TAKE THE SAT. IN THIS COUNTRY, THERE ARE ABOUT 1.3 MILLION HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES TAKE IT EACH YEAR.

SIMILAR MATH AND READING CHANGES WILL BE MADE IN THE PRELIMINARY SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST (PSAT), WHICH IS TAKEN EARLY IN AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOLS AND USED TO AWARD NATIONAL MERIT AND NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIPS. SOME COLLEGES ALSO USE LISTS OF TOP SCORERS OF THE PSAT FOR RECRUITING.

ADDITIONALLY, THE COLLEGE BOARD, AFTER VOTING AGAINST A PROPOSAL TO ADD AN ENGLISH ESSAY SECTION TO THE SAT, OPTED TO CREATE A NEW WRTING TEST AS PART OF THE ACHIEVEMENT TESTS THAT ARE GIVEN IN INDIVIDUAL SUBJECTS. THESE TESTS, AS A COMPANION TO THE SAT, ARE NOT REQUIRED BY THE MAJORITY OF AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.

THE BOARD ALSO ADDS CHINESE AND JAPANESE TO THE LIST OF LANGUAGES IN WHICH OPTIONAL PARTS OF THE TESTS MAY BE TAKEN.

OFFICIALS OF THE COLLEGE BOARD DESCRIBED THE CHANGES AS "SUBSTANTIAL," BUT THEY INSISTED THEY WERE NOT MADE IN RESPONSE TO CHARGES OF BIAS OR OTHER CRITICISM.

RATHER, THEY SAID, THE CHANGES ARE INTENDED TO IMPROVE THE TESTS' RELIABILITY AND TO MORE ACCURATELY REFLECT THE INCREASING DIVERSITY OF STUDENTS AND WHAT IS BEING TAUGHT IN CLASSROOMS TODAY.

ACCORDING TO REPORTS, SEVERAL EDUCATORS, ESPECIALLY IN CALIFORNIA, HAD OPPOSED ADDING THE ESSAY PART TO THE SAT ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT WOULD HAVE PUT FOREIGN-BORN STUDENTS WITH LIMITED COMMAND OF ENGLISH AT A DISADVANTAGE. THE SPEAKER OF THE CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY, WILLIE BROWN, HAD WARNED THE COLLEGE BOARD THAT THE STATE WOULD CONSIDER DROPPING THE SAT FROM USE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA IF THE ESSAY PROVISION WERE IMPLEMENTED IN THE SAT.

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#90306h0010 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV. 2) XINHUA - THAILAND HAS ACHIEVED A BREAKTHROUGH IN MAINTAINING POPULATION GROWTH AT A MANAGEABLE RATE OF 1.5 PERCENT, AS AGAINST OVER THREE PERCENT RECORDED EARLIER, ACCORDING TO A REPORT OF THE THAI PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

THE TARGET NOW IS TO REDUCE THE POPULATION GROWTH RATE FROM 1.5 PERCENT TO 1.2 PERCENT, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO BE ACHIEVED BY THE END OF THE SIXTH ECONOMIC AND

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN PERIOD (1987-91), SAID THE REPORT.

THAILAND'S NATIONAL POPULATION POLICY HAS BEEN AIMED AT REDUCING THE GROWTH RATE THROUGH VOLUNTARY ACCEPTANCE OF FAMILY PLANNING.

SINCE 1987, THAIS HAVE RECEIVED THE PLANNING SERVICES. IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM IS HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL IN THE NORTH, NORTHEAST AND SOUTH OF THE COUNTRY.

THAILAND'S POPULATION IS ABOUT 52.4 MILLION, OF WHICH MORE THAN FIVE MILLION LIVE IN BANGKOK AND ABOUT 82.5 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION LIVE IN RURAL AREAS.

THE POPULATION DENSITY IS 88.5 PEOPLE PER SQUARE KILOMETRE.

-30- 1165
#90306h0036 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
HONG KONG (NOV. 2) XINHUA - THE DEVELOPMENT BANK OF SINGAPORE LTD. HAS BEEN GRANTED A BANKING LICENCE TO CONDUCT BUSINESS IN HONG KONG, A HONG KONG GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID HERE TODAY.

THIS BRINGS THE TOTAL NUMBER OF LICENSED BANKS HERE TO 167, OF WHICH 137 ARE INCORPORATED OUTSIDE HONG KONG. A TOTAL OF FOUR BANKING LICENCES HAVE BEEN GRANTED SO FAR THIS YEAR.

THE DEVELOPMENT BANK OF SINGAPORE, THE LARGEST SINGAPOREAN BANK AND THE 139TH IN THE WORLD IN TERMS OF CAPITAL, HAS A REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE, A DEPOSIT-TAKING SUBSIDIARY AND A STOCKBROKING SUBSIDIARY IN HONG KONG.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE CONTINUING INTEREST OF FOREIGN BANKS IN ENTERING THE LOCAL MARKET REFLECTED HONG KONG'S ROLE AS A MAJOR INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL CENTER.

GIVEN THE IMPORTANCE OF HONG KONG'S BILATERAL TRADE WITH SINGAPORE, IT IS MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL FOR SINGAPORE TO HAVE AN APPROPRIATE REPRESENTATION IN THE HONG KONG BANKING SECTOR, HE SAID.

-30- 1117
#90306h0060 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
GABORONE (NOV.2) XINHUA - SOUTH AFRICA WILL LIKELY HAVE TO IMPORT WHEAT TO MEET DOMESTIC NEED.

ACCORDING TO "THE CITIZEN" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA TODAY, SOUTH AFRICA'S WHEAT BOARD YESTERDAY ANNOUNCED A 15.6 PERCENT INCREASE IN THE PRICE OF WHEAT.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD MR. W.E. PIENAAR SAID SOUTH AFRICA IS ON ITS WAY TO ONE OF THE WORST WHEAT PRODUCING YEARS IN THE DECADE AS ONLY 1.9 MILLION TONS OF

WHEAT WILL BE PRODUCED THIS YEAR.

HE SAID, THEREFORE, WHEAT WILL HAVE TO BE IMPORTED TO REACH THE 2.5 MILLION TONS NEEDED FOR DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION.

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#90306h0073 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

JINAN (NOV. 2) XINHUA - CHINA HAS FIVE ESTABLISHED ELECTRIC NETWORKS, EACH WITH A TOTAL INSTALLED CAPACITY OF OVER 10 MILLION KILOWATTS, IN THE NORTH, NORTHEAST, CENTRAL, EAST AND NORTHWEST PARTS OF THE COUNTRY.

A NETWORK OF 500,000-VOLT AND 200,000-VOLT TRANSMISSION LINES CONNECT AND PROVIDE TOWNS, CITIES AND PROVINCES ALL OVER THE COUNTRY WITH ELECTRICITY.

BOTH THE TOTAL GENERATING CAPACITY AND THE TOTAL ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION CAPACITY OF THE COUNTRY RANK FOURTH IN THE WORLD.

TO GUARANTEE THE SAFE AND ECONOMICAL TRANSMISSION OF ELECTRICITY, A SERIES OF SAFE AND STABLE CONTROL SYSTEMS, AUTOMATIC CONTROL SYSTEMS AND SPECIALIZED COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS ARE USED THROUGHOUT CHINA.

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#90306h0088 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 2) XINHUA - TWO MULTINATIONAL OIL FIRMS HAVE BEEN PRESSING THE AQUINO ADMINISTRATION TO GRANT THEIR PETITIONS FOR INCREASING OIL PRICES.

TOP OFFICIALS OF CALTEX PHILIPPINES AND PILIPINAS SHELL TOLD THE ENERGY REGULATORY BOARD THAT THE PRESENT PRICES OF OIL HAVE BEEN ADVERSELY AFFECTING THEIR OPERATIONS IN THE COUNTRY.

CALTEX AND PILIPINAS ARE ASKING FOR AN AVERAGE INCREASE OF 2.12 PESOS (7.5 U.S. CENTS) AND 2.19 PESOS (7.8 U.S. CENTS) PER LITER RESPECTIVELY, UP BY ABOUT 25 PERCENT FROM THE PRESENT AVERAGE PRICE OF 7.50 PESOS (26.7 U.S. CENTS) PER LITER.

CALTEX AND PILIPINAS CITED THE PRESENT WORLD PRICES OF CRUDE OIL, WHICH IS PUT AT 30 U.S. DOLLARS PER BARREL.

THE PHILIPPINES IS AMONG THE COUNTRIES WHICH SUFFER FROM SEVERE IMPACT OF THE OIL PRICES.

THE COUNTRY IS EXPECTED TO PAY 2.4 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN ITS OIL BILL, UP BY 30 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR'S OIL BILL OF 1.8 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

MEANWHILE, PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO, IN A PRESS STATEMENT, SAID TODAY THAT "THE GOVERNMENT WILL ENDEAVOR TO HOLD THE PRESENT LEVELS OF PETROLEUM PRICES

BUT AT THE SAME TIME THE REALITIES ARE SUCH THAT OUR ABILITY TO DO SO IS GOVERNED BY A NUMBER OF FACTORS MANY OF WHICH ARE NOT UNDER OUR CONTROL."

OBSERVERS SAID THAT MRS. AQUINO VIRTUALLY GAVE A HINT THAT THE PETITIONS OF OIL FIRMS WOULD BE GRANTED.

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#90306h0092 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 2) XINHUA - INDIAN PETROLEUM AND CHEMICAL MINISTER BHAJMAN BEHERA TODAY URGED THE INDIAN CHEMICAL INDUSTRY TO PAY INCREASED ATTENTION TO SAFETY MEASURES TO ENSURE ITS CONTINUED GROWTH AND ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION.

BEHERA SAID THAT THE BHOPAL GAS TRAGEDY AND OTHER INCIDENTS THE WORLD OVER INDICATED THAT DISASTERS OF VARYING DEGREES CONTINUE TO OCCUR IN CHEMICAL INDUSTRY DESPITE WELL-RECOGNIZED CODES, DESIGN AND PRACTICES. THESE INCIDENTS ONLY UNDERLINE THE NEED FOR FURTHER TIGHTENING SAFETY MEASURES IN THE INDUSTRY.

INAUGURATING A TWO-DAY NATIONAL SEMINAR ON "SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION IN CHEMICAL AND ALLIED INDUSTRIES" ORGANIZED BY THE INDIAN INSTITUTE OF CHEMICAL ENGINEERS HERE, HE SAID THE INDUSTRY SHOULD CARRY OUT A THOROUGH ANALYSIS OF THE RISKS POSED BY CHEMICAL PLANTS TO HELP REDUCE AND MITIGATE HAZARDS TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

BEHERA SAID ATTENTION SHOULD BE PAID TO PROCESS SELECTION WITHOUT COMPROMISING WITH SAFETY FOR A MARGINAL INCREASE IN THE YIELD AND TO EMERGENCY PROCEDURES FOR DISASTER MANAGEMENT IN AND OUTSIDE THE PLANTS.

INDIA'S CHEMICAL INDUSTRY HAS MADE RAPID PROGRESS IN THE LAST TWO DECADES AND THE COUNTRY HAS BECOME SELF-SUFFICIENT IN MOST OF THE MAJOR HEAVY CHEMICALS. THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNING OF THE INDUSTRY IS EXPECTED TO TOUCH THE 30.5 BILLION RUPEE (1.8 BILLION U.S. DOLLAR) MARK DURING 1990-91, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL SOURCE.

-30- 1599

#90306h0093 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CARACAS (NOV. 2) XINHUA - THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR THE URBAN AREA OF CARACAS REGISTERED A 2.6 PERCENT INCREASE IN OCTOBER, WITH THE ACCUMULATED INFLATION RATE TO 28.2 PERCENT.

THIS FIGURE IS HIGHER THAN SEPTEMBER'S, WHEN THE INDEX ROSE BY 1.5 PERCENT.

VENEZUELA'S CENTRAL BANK SAID THE GREATEST INCREASE IN THE PRICE INDEX WAS OBSERVED IN THE DIVERSE EXPENDITURES CATEGORY, WHICH ADDED OCTOBER'S 3.1 PERCENT RISE TO ITS 30.8 PERCENT INFLATION RATE ACCUMULATED DURING THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF THE YEAR.

THE SECOND HIGHEST INDEX RISE OCCURRED IN THE FOODS, BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO CATEGORY, WHICH REGISTERED A 2 PERCENT INCREASE IN OCTOBER AND A TOTAL ACCUMULATED INFLATION RATE OF 29.1 PERCENT SO FAR THIS YEAR.

HOUSING COSTS ROSE IN OCTOBER BY 3.3 PERCENT, NUDGING THE YEAR'S ACCUMULATED RATE TO 28.4 PERCENT.

IN FACT, ALL OF THE CATEGORIES THAT MAKE UP THE GENERAL PRICE INDEX SHOWED A GREATER PRICE INCREASE IN OCTOBER THAN IN SEPTEMBER. THIS THREATENS THE GOVERNMENT'S TARGET INFLATION RATE.

ECONOMISTS CALCULATE THAT THE RISE IN THE INFLATION RATE WILL PROBABLY LEAD TO A HIGHER INTEREST RATE.

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#90306h0094 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 2) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINES IS TO SEEK A 500-MILLION-U.S. DOLLAR RECOVERY LOAN FROM THE WORLD BANK TO FINANCE ITS INCREASING OIL IMPORT BILL AND BAIL OUT THE COUNTRY FROM ITS FOREIGN EXCHANGE DIFFICULTIES, FINANCE SECRETARY JESUS ESTANISLAO TODAY SAID.

ESTANISLAO TOLD REPORTERS THAT THE APPLICATION FOR A NEW RECOVERY LOAN IS NOW BEING COMPLETED AND WOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE WORLD BANK BEFORE THE END OF THIS MONTH.

ESTANISLAO DID NOT MAKE COMMENT ON THE CHANCES OF A NEW RECOVERY LOAN, BUT SAID HE EXPECTED THE WORLD BANK TO CALENDAR IT AS AMONG THE TOP PRIORITY LOANS FOR 1991.

THE COUNTRY EARLIER AVAILED OF 300 MILLION U.S DOLLARS IN 1987 TO FINANCE THE STRUCTURAL REFORMS IT LAUNCHED DURING THE EARLY PART OF THE AQUINO ADMINISTRATION.

CENTRAL BANK GOVERNOR JOSE CUIAIS EARLIER TOLD A SENATE HEARING THAT THE COUNTRY'S NEW MONEY REQUIREMENTS ARE BETWEEN 10.52 TO 12.6 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

THERE HAVE BEEN ANTICIPATIONS THAT THE FINANCING GAP FOR 1991 ALONE WOULD REACH 3.5 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS BASED ON WORLD CRUDE OIL PRICES OF 40 U.S. DOLLARS PER BARREL.

ESTANISLAO SAID THE LOAN FROM THE WORLD BANK IS PART OF THE EFFORTS OF THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC MANAGERS TO MEET THE INCREASING FINANCING GAP AND STRENGTHEN THE NATIONAL ECONOMY.

-30- 1461
#90306h0101 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BRASILIA (NOV. 2) XINHUA - THE WORLD BANK HAS AGREED TO GRANT BRAZIL LOANS, BUT ONLY TO FINANCE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PROJECTS, THE BANK'S CHIEF OF ENVIRONMENTAL EVALUATION, ROBERTO GOODLAND, SAID THURSDAY.

GOODLAND, WHO WAS IN BELEM, THE CAPITAL OF PARA STATE, SAID THE WORLD BANK WILL LEND BRAZIL MONEY FOR REFORESTATION PROJECTS AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF HYDROELECTRIC CENTERS AFTER A DETAILED STUDY OF THEIR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT HAS BEEN MADE.

IN ADDITION TO PRIOR STUDIES BEING MADE ON THE VIABILITY AND IMPACT OF PROPOSED PROJECTS, THE WORLD BANK IS ALSO DEMANDING THAT THE COMMUNITIES THAT MAY BE AFFECTED BY SUCH PLANS BE CONSULTED FIRST. ACCORDING TO GOODLAND, THESE DEMANDS HAVE BEEN IN EFFECT SINCE OCTOBER OF LAST YEAR.

GOODLAND ADDED THAT THE BANK IS PREPARED TO GRANT THE SECOND LOAN TO THE BRAZILIAN INSTITUTE ON ENVIRONMENT AND RENEWABLE RESOURCES (IBAMA), BUT HE DID NOT MENTION THE SIZE OF SUCH A LOAN OR WHEN IT WOULD BE MADE.

ACCORDING TO GOODLAND, IBAMA RECEIVED ITS FIRST LOAN IN SEPTEMBER, 1990, ABOUT 117 MILLION DOLLAR LOAN GRANTED TO FINANCE ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS IN THE ATLANTIC COAST FOREST, MARSHLAND AND THE AMAZON JUNGLE.

-30- 1349
#90306h0107 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
MANILA (NOV. 2) XINHUA - PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO TODAY APPROVED A FOUR-POINT ECONOMIC PROGRAM TO SPEED UP THE RECOVERY OF THE PHILIPPINES' FISCAL SECTOR.

ADDRESSING REPORTERS, PHILIPPINE FINANCE SECRETARY JESUS ESTANISLAO, WHO PROPOSED THE FOUR-POINT PROGRAM, STRESSED THAT THERE WILL BE NO RATIONING OF DOLLARS AS HE EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE OF DOLLAR TRADING IN THE MARKETS AS A RESULT OF THE RECENT DEPRECIATION OF THE PHILIPPINE CURRENCY PESO.

THE FINANCE SECRETARY SAID THAT THE FOUR-POINT PROGRAM INCLUDES TIGHTER CASH MANAGEMENT WITHIN THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, ENSURING THAT THE GOVERNMENT OWNED AND CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS (GOCCS) DO NOT LEAD WHAT THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT HAS SUPPORTED THEM WITH, RESTRUCTURING OF EXISTING DEBTS TO GOCCS AND ISSUANCE OF BONDS DIRECTLY TO THE PUBLIC AT HIGHER INTEREST RATES.

EXPLAINING THE DEPRECIATION OF PESO, ESTANISLAO SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT "FELT THAT IF WE WANTED TO GET AWAY FROM RATIONING AND GET EVERYBODY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ALLOCATION OF DOLLARS, WE WILL REALLY JUST HAVE TO GO ON THE BASIS OF RATES AT WHICH THE BANKS WERE SELLING AND BUYING FOREIGN EXCHANGE."

"WE DID NOT WANT A SITUATION WHERE A LOT OF FACTORIES WOULD CLOSE BECAUSE THEY DID NOT HAVE ACCESS TO DOLLARS, BECAUSE EVERYBODY WAS JUST MANAGING ON TO THEM " HE SAID.

WITH THE DEPRECIATION, MORE DOLLAR TRANSACTIONS ARE EXPECTED WITHIN, NOT OUTSIDE, THE BANKING SYSTEM, AND MORE DOLLARS MADE AVAILABLE TO IMPORTERS AND EXPORTERS AT BETTER PRICES, HE ADDED.

ESTANISLAO SAID THAT THE DEPRECIATION WILL RESULT IN A CUT OF 300 MILLION TO 350 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN IMPORTS AND A 500 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR INCREASE IN EXPORTS.

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#90306h0112 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KATHMANDU (NOV. 2) XINHUA - DENMARK WILL IMPORT WOOLEN CARPETS, GARMENTS, HANDICRAFTS, KNITWEAR AND CERAMICS FROM NEPAL.

THIS WAS REVEALED BY A NINE-MEMBER DELEGATION OF DANISH IMPORTERS, WHICH ARRIVED HERE WEDNESDAY ON A WEEK-LONG VISIT TO NEPAL UNDER THE JOINT AUSPICES OF THE NEPAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE DANISH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE DELEGATION CAME HERE IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROMOTION OF BILATERAL ECONOMIC AND TRADE RELATIONS BETWEEN NEPAL AND DENMARK.

ACCORDING TO THE DELEGATION, DENMARK ALSO WILL IMPORT SILVERWARE AND JEWELRY FROM NEPAL.

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#90306h0119 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HARARE (NOV. 2) XINHUA - THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT HAS WRITTEN OFF 27 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS OF DEBTS ZIMBABWE OWED IT, THE ZIMBABWE INTER-AFRICA NEWS AGENCY (ZIANA) REPORTED TODAY.

AT TODAY'S OPENING OF THE ANNUAL ZIMBABWE-CANADA CONSULTATIONS INVOLVING SENIOR OFFICIALS FROM THE TWO COUNTRIES TO REVIEW THE BILATERAL RELATIONS CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER TO ZIMBABWE CHARLES BASSET PRESENTED A NOTE TO ZIMBABWE'S SENIOR MINISTER BERNARD CHIDZERO NOTIFYING HIM THAT ALL ITS OUTSTANDING OFFICIAL ASSISTANCE DEVELOPMENT DEBTS OF 27 MILLION DOLLARS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED.

WELCOMING CANADA'S MOVE, CHIDZERO SAID: "YOUR GOVERNMENT'S DEBT WRITE-OFF DEMONSTRATES AN UNFLINCHING COMMITMENT TO THE REDUCTION OF THE POVERTY IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES THROUGH THE REDUCTION OF THE DEBT BURDEN."

CHIDZERO URGED OTHER DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TO FOLLOW CANADA'S EXAMPLE.

-30- 1014
#90306h0124 11/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
ACCRA (NOV. 2) XINHUA - GHANA'S FIRST EVER STOCK EXCHANGE WILL OPEN HERE ON NOVEMBER 12.

MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE GHANA STOCK EXCHANGE (GSE) YEBOA AMOA SAID HERE TODAY THAT EVERYTHING IS READY: AN OFFICE, A TRADING FLOOR, A SECRETARIAT CONSISTING OF QUALIFIED PERSONNEL.

ADDRESSING THE CLOSING SESSION OF A THREE-DAY SEMINAR ORGANIZED BY THE GSE TO SHED LIGHT ON SOME KEY ISSUES OF ITS OPERATIONS MR. AMOA TOLD THE GHANAIAN BUSINESSMEN AND WOMEN THAT AN EXECUTIVE INSTRUMENT GIVING THE GSE THE POWER TO OPERATE HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE GHANAIAN GOVERNMENT AND SHARES AND GOVERNMENT STOCKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR TRADING ON THE OPENING DAY.

HE SAID IN ORDER TO GIVE THE NATION'S BUSINESS COMMUNITY EQUAL OPPORTUNITY, STOCK BROKING FIRMS ON THE EXCHANGE WILL BE ALLOWED TO APPOINT AGENTS TO BUY AND SELL SECURITIES ON THEIR BEHALF THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.

A FIDELITY FUND HAS ALSO BEEN ESTABLISHED BY THE EXCHANGE TO COMPENSATE CLIENTS WHO INCUR ANY PECULIAR LOSSES THROUGH ANY FRAUDULENT DEALINGS OF ANY STOCKBROKER.

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GSE, A NON-PROFIT MAKING ORGANIZATION, HAS BEEN MADE POSSIBLE BY THE CONCERTED ACTION OF SOME 33 GHANAIAN BANKS AND OTHER PUBLIC ORGANIZATIONS, SAID MR. AMOA, ADDING THAT IT HAS 170 MILLION CEDIS (ABOUT 50 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) AS ITS SEED CAPITAL.

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CAIRO (NOV. 2) XINHUA - ISRAEL'S SOME 120,000 TECHNICIANS TODAY WENT BACK TO THEIR JOBS AFTER ENDING A FOUR-DAY STRIKE WHICH CAUSED A VIRTUAL HALT OF RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTS AND INFORMATION MONITORING AT ISRAEL'S INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

REPORTS FROM JERUSALEM QUOTED YAACOV DANON, FINANCE MINISTRY OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF SETTING WAGES, AS SAYING THAT THE STRIKERS, MEMBERS OF THREE TRADE UNIONS, AGREED TO END THEIR STRIKE FOR PAY HIKE AFTER HE PROMISED THAT NEGOTIATIONS WOULD START SUNDAY.

"INDEED THE ONLY WAY TO SOLVE THIS PROBLEM IS AROUND THE NEGOTIATING TABLE AND THAT WE WILL DO NEXT WEEK," DANON SAID ON ISRAEL ARMY RADIO, ONE OF THE FEW INSTALLATIONS NOT AFFECTED BY THE STRIKE.

THE GOVERNMENT-RUN TELEVISION SUBSEQUENTLY RESUMED BROADCASTING THIS AFTERNOON AND ISRAEL RADIO FOLLOWED BRIEFLY AFTERWARDS.

THE TECHNICIANS STARTED THE STRIKE MONDAY TO PROTEST AGAINST GOVERNMENT'S DECISION NOT TO GIVE A 9 PERCENT PAY HIKE APPROVED LAST WEEK TO WORKERS OF GOVERNMENT-OWNED COMPANIES THAT ARE OPERATING AT A LOSS.

FINANCE MINISTER YITZHAK MODAI HAD SAID THAT THE WAGES SHOULD BE HELD DOWN AT THE AILING GOVERNMENT COMPANIES UNTIL THEY BECOME PROFITABLE, THUS DENYING THE HIKE TO 11 COMPANIES.

DURING THE STRIKE, MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS AND SCHOOLS HAD TO MAKE DO WITHOUT ENGINEERING AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND RADIO AND TELEVISION ONLY BROADCAST EVENING NEWS UNDER A SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT AND WEATHER FORECASTS WERE SLICED OUT. AT ISRAEL'S INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, FLIGHT INFORMATION MONITORS AND PUBLIC SERVICE ADDRESS SYSTEM BROKE DOWN.

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AMMAN (NOV. 2) XINHUA - JORDANIAN KING HUSSEIN RETURNED HOME TODAY AFTER A WORKING VISIT TO THE SULTANATE OF OMAN WHERE HE HAD TALKS WITH OMANI SULTAN QABOOS BIN SAID ON THE GULF CRISIS AND CURRENT ARAB AFFAIRS, THE JORDANIAN NEWS AGENCY REPORTED.

KING HUSSEIN ARRIVED IN THE OMANI CAPITAL CITY OF MUSCAT TUESDAY ON HIS FIRST VISIT TO A GULF STATE SINCE THE OUTBREAK OF THE GULF CRISIS IN EARLY AUGUST.

OMAN IS THE ONLY ARAB STATE IN THE GULF REGION THAT STILL MAINTAINS CLOSE TIES WITH JORDAN DESPITE THE LATTER'S SYMPATHETIC ATTITUDE TOWARDS IRAQ, WHOSE INVASION OF KUWAIT TRIGGERED THE GULF CRISIS.

JORDANIAN SOURCES SAID THE KING HAS CONSULTED WITH "CERTAIN" ARAB LEADERS OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS ON WHAT THEY CALLED THE "POSSIBILITY OF CONVENING ARAB MINI-SUMMITS TO DRAFT AN ARAB SOLUTION OF THE CRISIS.

MEANWHILE, REPORTS SAID THAT KING HUSSEIN WILL VISIT FRANCE SUNDAY, HIS SECOND SINCE THE OUTSET OF THE GULF CRISIS, FOR TALKS WITH FRENCH PRESIDENT FRANCOIS MITTERRAND ON THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE GULF REGION.

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ABC News Special November 1, 1990 (Transcript #17)

Peter Jennings Reporting -- The New Civil War: A behind-the- scenes look at skirmishes in the politics of abortion around the country, including Florida, Pennsylvania, Louisiana, California, Minnesota and Washington, D.C.

Crossfire (CNN) November 1, 1990 (Transcript #174)

Cleaning House... and Senate: Former Wisconsin Senator William Proxmire, Alan Keyes of Citizens Against Government Waste and anti-incumbent advocate Jack Gargan discuss term limits for members of Congress.

Donahue November 1, 1990 (Transcript #3068)

Throw the Congressmen/Women Out: Can the public change what some perceive as the ''tax and spend'' mentality of Congress? A Constitutional amendment and a growing ''throw the bums out'' movement are two proposed solutions.

Good Morning America (ABC) November 1, 1990 (Transcript #1144)

Countdown to the '90 Vote (Part 4 -- Governorships); How to Avoid the Flu; AIDS and Insurance; Junior League Holiday Mart; James Clavell Interview; College Reaction to the Gulf Crisis; The Horn of Africa; Mary Tyler Moore/Bernadette Peters Interview; Red Hot and Blue (AIDS benefit album); Joan Rides Again (horse show).

Larry King Live (CNN) November 1, 1990 (Transcript #162)

''D.C. Mayor Marion Barry''discusses his recovery from cocaine addiction and career plans); ''A Slice of Americana With Charles Kuralt'' (the journalist discusses his new television program and new book, Life on the Road).

Geraldo November 1, 1990 (Transcript #816)

Blood on the Tracks: Residents of New York City who ride the subway system and fear for their lives and safety from muggers and violent criminals wonder how they can protect themselves from these dangers.

Sally Jessy Raphael November 1, 1990 (Transcript #564)

Miss Gay America: The reigning and former Miss Gay Americas talk about the pageant and what it means to them; while a pastor says female impersonators and all homosexuals are sinful and will ''pay the price''.

Oprah Winfrey Show November 1, 1990 (Transcript #1079)

The New Kids' Moms: The mothers of the New Kids on the Block, M.C. Hammer and Perfect Gentlemen tell what it's like to be mom to a celebrity. A surprise

performance by Perfect Gentlemen.

The Weekend Line-Up: (To be summarized in Monday's Daily Report) Donahue: Did Her Breasts Get in the Way of Her Career? Sally Jessy Raphael: Should You Dump Him? Geraldo: Test Tube Babies: Hope and Heartbreak Oprah Winfrey: The Computer Dating Game 20/20: Ronald Reagan; National Guard 60 Minutes: The Secret of Gara Mountains; Bad Cops; Beyond Malpractice

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TOKYO (NOV. 2) KYODO - MITSUBISHI MOTORS CORP. HAS AGREED IN PRINCIPLE WITH AB VOLVO ON JOINT AUTO PRODUCTION IN THE NETHERLANDS BEGINNING IN 1993, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID FRIDAY.

THE AGREEMENT OPENS THE WAY FOR THE FIRST PRODUCTION OF CARS BY A JAPANESE FIRM ON THE EUROPEAN CONTINENT, THE SOURCES SAID.

A FORMAL DEAL IS EXPECTED TO BE SIGNED BY THE END OF THE YEAR, THEY SAID.

A SPOKESMAN FOR MITSUBISHI MOTORS SAID: ''MITSUBISHI MOTORS CORPORATION HAS BEEN CONTINUING DISCUSSIONS WITH VOLVO CAR CORPORATION ON THE POSSIBILITY OF THE JOINT PASSENGER CAR PRODUCTION IN EUROPE. BUT IT IS TOO PREMATURE TO OFFER ANY COMMENTS AT THIS TIME.''

THE INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID THE TWO COMPANIES ARE CLOSE TO AGREEING THAT MITSUBISHI WILL PRODUCE 200,000 TO 250,000 PASSENGER CARS IN THE 1300 TO 1600 CC CLASS SUCH AS THE MITSUBISHI MIRAGE.

EACH FIRM WOULD BE ENTITLED TO SELL HALF OF THE CARS PRODUCED UNDER THE VENTURE, THE SOURCES SAID.

IN VIEW OF THE SCHEDULED INTEGRATION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY MARKET IN 1992, MITSUBISHI MOTORS HAS BEEN EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF A JOINT VENTURE WITH

SEVERAL EUROPEAN AUTOMAKERS SUCH AS FIAT OF ITALY.

JAPANESE AUTOMAKERS LIKE TOYOTA MOTOR CORP., NISSAN MOTOR CO., AND HONDA MOTOR CO., HAVE ALREADY SET UP THEIR PRODUCTION BASES IN BRITAIN.

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#90306k0076 11/02/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 2) KYODO - CHINA WILL RAISE THE PRICE OF ITS DAQING CRUDE OIL CHARGED FOR OCTOBER SHIPMENTS TO JAPAN BY 5.67 DOLLARS TO 35.42 DOLLARS A BARREL, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID FRIDAY.

THE INCREASE FOLLOWS A RISE IN PRICES OF INDONESIA'S MINAS AND SOME OTHER CRUDES, WITH WHICH THE PRICAQING CRUDE IS LINKED UNDER A PRICING FORMULA INTRODUCED FROM OCTOBER SHIPMENT, THEY SAID.

IN THE PAST, CHINA AND JAPANESE CUSTOMERS REVIEWED THE PRICE OF DAQING CRUDE EVERY THREE MONTHS THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS.

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#90306k0083 11/02/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 2) KYODO - KAMORI KANKO CO., WHICH IS DEVELOPING RESORTS BOTH OVERSEAS AND IN JAPAN, SAID ITS U.S. SUBSIDIARY HAS ACQUIRED HEAVENLY VALLEY, THE LARGEST SKI RESORT IN THE U.S.

ALTHOUGH KAMORI DID NOT DISCLOSE THE ACQUISITION PRICE, INDUSTRY SOURCES ESTIMATE THE VALUE OF THE RESORT, WHICH STRADDLES THE NEVADA-CALIFORNIA BOUNDARY, TO BE A LITTLE UNDER 100 MILLION DOLLARS.

THE LATEST PURCHASE, COMBINED WITH THE ACQUISITION LAST JUNE OF STEAMBOAT, A COLORADO SKI RESORT, WILL GIVE KAMORI INTERNATIONAL CORP., THE U.S. SUBSIDIARY AN ESTIMATED 2.8 MILLION VISITORS ANNUALLY.

THAT WILL MAKE KAMORI INTERNATIONAL THE BIGGEST SKI RESORT MANAGEMENT COMPANY IN THE U.S.

HEAVENLY VALLEY, WHICH HAS SLOPES 1,300 METERS ABOVE SEA LEVEL AND ABOUT 24 SKI LIFTS, STRETCHES OVER AN ESTIMATED 5,200 SQUARE HECTARES OF LAND.

THE RESORT IS CLOSE TO THE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN RENO, NEVADA. AN ESTIMATED 1.05 MILLION PEOPLE VISITED THE RESORT LAST YEAR.

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TOKYO (NOV. 2) KYODO - ACHILLES CORP. ON FRIDAY ANNOUNCED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A JOINT SPORTS SHOES PRODUCTION FIRM IN JAKARTA.

THE NEW FIRM, PT SURYA ACHILLES INDONESIA, IS CAPITALIZED AT 3 MILLION DOLLARS OF WHICH 40 PERCENT IS PROVIDED EACH BY ACHILLES AND WINARIKO SULISTYO, AN INDONESIAN INVESTOR, AND 20 PERCENT BY MITSUBISHI CORP.

THE JOINT COMPANY WILL START PRODUCTION NEXT MAY, MANUFACTURING 1.5 MILLION SHOES IN THE INITIAL YEAR.

ALL OF THE SHOES MANUFACTURED WILL BE BOUGHT BY ACHILLES FOR SHIPMENT TO JAPAN.

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#90306k0097 11/02/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KABUL (NOV. 2) KYODO - THE KABUL GOVERNMENT ON THURSDAY SIGNED A CONTRACT WITH A VISITING INDIAN DELEGATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF 50,000 TONS OF WHEAT, MAKING INDIA AFGHANISTAN'S SECOND-LARGEST FOOD DONOR AFTER THE SOVIET UNION.

THE INDIAN WHEAT WILL BE SHIPPED THROUGH SOVIET TERRITORY BECAUSE OF THE STRAINED RELATIONS BETWEEN AFGHANISTAN AND PAKISTAN WHICH HAVE LED TO THE CLOSURE OF HIGHWAYS, AFFECTING THE TRADITIONAL TRADE BETWEEN AFGHANISTAN AND INDIA AS WELL.

A SOURCE CONNECTED WITH THE LIGHT AND FOODSTUFF INDUSTRY HERE SAID AFGHANISTAN NEEDS 450,000 TONS OF WHEAT ANNUALLY.

THE FOODSTUFF SITUATION IN THE CAPITAL IS BETTER THAN IN PAST YEARS WHEN SHORTAGES OF FUEL AND FOODS POSED ACUTE PROBLEMS FOR AFGHANS, ESPECIALLY KABUL RESIDENTS.

THE SOVIET UNION WILL PROVIDE AFGHANISTAN WITH 200,000 TONS OF WHEAT THIS YEAR.

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#90306k0102 11/02/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 2) KYODO - A BANK OF JAPAN (BOJ) SOURCE SAID THE WORSE-THAN-EXPECTED DROP IN U.S. NONFARM PAYROLLS IN OCTOBER IS CONSISTENT WITH A DOWNTREND IN THE U.S. ECONOMY.

THE U.S. LABOR DEPARTMENT SAID THE U.S. CIVILIAN UNEMPLOYMENT RATE WAS UNCHANGED IN OCTOBER FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH'S LEVEL OF 5.7 PERCENT OF THE WORKFORCE, WHILE NONFARM PAYROLLS DECREASED BY 68,000.

''BUT IT'S HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT THE U.S. FEDERAL RESERVE WILL LOOSEN ITS GRIP ON CREDIT IN THE NEAR TERM,'' SAID THE BOJ SOURCE, SPEAKING ON CONDITION OF ANONYMITY.

''THE FED'S RECENT 0.25 PERCENTAGE POINT CUT IN THE FEDERAL FUNDS RATE DIMS THE POSSIBILITY OF A FURTHER DROP IN INTEREST RATES IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE,''

HE SAID.

THE FACT THAT THE CENTRAL BANK WILL NOT HOLD ITS FEDERAL OPEN MARKET COMMITTEE (FOMC) MEETING UNTIL NOVEMBER 13 IS ANOTHER REASON ARGUING AGAINST AN EARLY RELAXATION OF CREDIT, HE SAID.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 2) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

The LABOR DEPARTMENT says unemployment held steady at 5.7% in October. Non-far payroll declined by 52,000 jobs. The consensus of economists polled by "Dow Jones Capital Markets Report" was for the unemployment rate to rise 0.1% to 5.8% and for non-farm payroll to decline by 43,000 jobs. The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT says leading economic indicators fell 0.8% in September, after a 1.2% decline in August. Following the reports, bond eased and the dollar gained slightly.

Earlier, the Nikkei slipped 100 points and the FTSE was little changed at midday. ... The dollar was off more than 2 yen and bond prices were steady with the long yield at 8.68%. ... Brent North Sea crude lost 60 cents to $33.60.

The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PURCHASING MANAGEMENT says its business index fell to 43.4% in October. The last time it was lower was December 1982. ... DUN & BRADSTREET says 43,836 U.S. businesses failed in the first nine months of this year, up 14% from the same period in 1989. ... MORGAN STANLEY says it will eliminate 50 investment banking jobs, or 6% of the 800- member division. ... PATHE COMMUNICATIONS has finally completed its $1.3 billion acquisition of MGM/UA COMMUNICATIONS. ... RJR NABISCO says it has exchanged nearly $2.4 billion in high-yields bonds to investors who will get cash and stock in the deal. ... R.H. MACY says its four largest investors - GE CAPITAL, LOEWS, MUTUAL SERIES FUND and TAUBMAN INVESTMENT - have agreed to provide at least $100 million in exchange for a larger stake in the privately held company. ... RALSTON PURINA says fiscal fourth-quarter net income climbed 81% from a year earlier because of lower advertising and administrative costs.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

DELTA AIR LINES says it is talking with CONTINENTAL AIRLINES about buying some of Continental's assets. ... The NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE is freezing salaries and says it expects to reduce staffing by about 8% next year. ... HARCOURT BRACE JOVANOVICH says it has hired SMITH BARNEY to look at ways to cut its heavy debt.

FROM THE BULLS:

"The market had a little better tone to it," says ROBERT STOVALL of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. "There's an old saying that the bears have Thanksgiving, but the bulls have Christmas." Assuming no hostilities in the Middle East and a Fed easing, Stovall looks for the market to move to between 2550 and 2700 by the end of December. ("Investor's Daily", 11/2)

"I think the market is on the verge of a very strong rally," says GENE SEAGLE at GRUNTAL & CO. (WSJ, 11/2)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The next rally peak will be the top of Wave 2 and precede a collapse," says ROBERT PRECHTER at the "Elliot Wave Theorist." "The market is approaching on the most important wave junctures it ever creates." Prechter's long-term outlook calls for another 2000 points of decline on the Dow. "The deflationary spiral is still in its early stages," warns Prechter. (CNBC "World Business", 11/2)

STOCK MARKET:

"We think the market to a large extent is discounting the bear market and at most we think we've probably got five or 10 percent more downside," says ALAN BOND at W.R. LAZARD & CO. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/1)

"The strength in the bond market spilled over to stocks, but people are still nervous," says KEN DUCEY at S.G. WARBURG. ("USA Today", 11/2)

"A few dozen stocks account for most of the volume on NASDAQ now," says PETER DaPUZZO at LEHMAN BROTHERS. "If there are 4,000 stocks on Nasdaq, I'd bet 400 stocks do 80 percent of the volume. Once you get past the first few hundred, there is very little interest." (NYT, 11/2)

"The good news [for the financial markets from recent bad economic figures] is that we can really see the valley," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "I think before today there were people who questioned whether the valley was there or not. ... The very fact that we can see the valley is very good for people to invest in bonds. Bonds are a safe investment at this point, even though we may have a few very bad days if oil shoots up [in price] for some reason. Stocks, I think, are beginning to start to be interesting to look at ... because we know something now: There is going to be a recession, there is a recession and general knowledge is better than uncertainty." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/1)

"The general tone of the market is pretty good," says ALEXANDER PURDIE at ROBINSON HUMPHREY. (WSJ, 11/2)

STOCK TIPS:

"DEAN FOODS is the ultimate beneficiary" of a number of changes in the dairy industry over the past two years, says BARBARA DIRVIN of WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. She points out that when other food stocks were following the market up from 1986 to 1989, Dean underperformed the market, but is now moving up even as others are falling. ("Investor's Daily", 11/2)

ETHYL CORP. has temporarily withdrawn its application to the ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY for a gasoline additive the company says would curb air pollution and improve engine performance. The stock fell $1.50 to $20.875 on the news. But Analyst LEONARD BOGNER of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE says it is a temporary setback and that Ethyl has a "greater than 50 percent chance of winning EPA approval." ("The Washington Post", 11/2)

"In a nutshell, HUMANA is a great company," says PETER SIDOTI of COUNTY NATWEST USA. "But they've got the federal government after them [for overly aggressive sales policies towards the elderly]. It's got to affect investor psychology." ("Investor's Daily", 11/2)

"Bear markets are usually coming to a close once they are recognized by the majority," says JEFF HALLIBERG at the "Marketarian Letter." Stay focused on proven industry groups, he advises. "They hold great potential once the next upleg begins." Among his current favorites are GILLETTE, which he says has support in the low 50s, and PFIZER, where he sees short-term support in the 68-70 area. (CNBC "World Business", 11/2)

JULIAN ROBERTSON has been making money for his exclusive TIGER MANAGEMENT fund by shorting CITICORP, McDONNEL DOUGLAS, MARRIOTT and FRUIT OF THE LOOM. (WSJ, 11/2)

"Obviously, this is a time to be defensive if you are going to be in the equity market," says SAM STOVALL, editor of "S&P Industry Reports." Foods, natural gas, and utilities are traditionally recession-resistant, but Stovall says the recent demise of drug stocks shows even defensive industry groups can still be hit. The quality of utility earnings impresses Stovall whose favorite is LONG ISLAND LIGHTING: "The company has been coming back into its own, the dividend has been reinstated and we see it getting firmer on the earnings side." (CNBC "World Business", 11/2)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"The German move [to raise a key interest rate] illustrates the direction of international interest rates and highlights the lack of interest-rate support for the dollar," says MARC CHANDLER at IDEA in New York. (NYT, 11/2)

There is speculation the Fed will ease today, but DAVID JONES, economist for AUBREY G. LANSTON, says the market is ahead of itself. "I do not see an immediate easing. meeting on November 13." Jones says there is still a strong anti-inflation view within the Fed so he looks for a "typical Greenspan move" of reducing the Fed funds rate by only a quarter point to 7 1/2% in November, with a possible cut in the discount rate in early 1991. Although he expects the fourth-quarter GNP to show negative real growth, Jones says, "We do have some downside protection since most people were preparing for this [recession]." Jones says, "This is not the old- fashioned [credit] crunch where the Fed suddenly waves a wand, gives us very tight money and high interest rates like [what] we saw in the early '80s that turned the economy down sharply. This time around, it's a more dangerous grassroots, bank-induced crunch in which banks have become more selective on their own in cutting back availability of credit - particularly to the construction area." (CNN "Business Morning", 11/2 and CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/1)

"People seem to be getting on the recession story and are looking for a second ease in [credit] policy," says one government bond trader. Another short-term trader says: "The market is beginning to price itself toward the next easing in Fed policy, but I don't think it is going to happen before Thanksgiving. Betting on the Fed has not been a smart thing to do this year." (NYT, 11/2)

"The economy is gradually sliding down the slippery slope," says ROBERT DEDRICK of NORTHERN TRUST CO. "There will be a November move [by the Fed]. The only question is when." ("Investor's Daily", 11/2)

"Interest rates must come down rapidly," says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA at GRUNTAL & CO. "This economy is weak and getting weaker and now we have the new element of psychology. Earlier this year, most of the pundits were saying 'We're going to have a soft landing, don't worry about it.' But now as the jobless claims go up, as large companies with a high public profile ... announce layoffs and consolidations and as the media continues to focus on the numbers the public will start to get nervous. The more nervous they get ... the more likely they'll pull in the reins and not spend and now you self-fulfill the prophecy that you will have a recession." He says the Fed can cut rates aggressively in the current environment without spurring inflation and "keep the economy in balance, or at least control the descent, because without that you can have an anarchy type situation." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/1)

"I think the Fed is going to get a terrible eye opener" with today's unemployment report, says SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS economist STAN SHIPLEY. He says that while the numbers of those losing jobs may have been relatively small, it was more difficult for those unfortunate few to find new jobs.

"We're falling into a standard recession," says Shipley. ("Investor's Daily", 11/2)

"The Fed has just eased in reaction to the budget deficit and the Fed's pattern in the past has been to wait from four to six weeks at least to see how that easing is going to impact the economy," says ALEXANDER POWERS of CHASE MANHATTAN. He says other factors will keep rates up as well. "There is a lot of supply that's coming, and that's going to put a little indigestion in the stomach of the bond market." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/1)

"Bond investors are looking beyond some of the short- term problems of Middle East tensions and the upcoming Treasury refunding," says LAWRENCE LEUZZI of S.G. WARBURG & CO. Instead, they are "focusing more on the long-term very weak economic trends that we're 4 witnessing in the data." (CNN "Moneyline", 11/1)

THE ECONOMY:

"The recession showed it's hand today," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "We're almost certainly in a recession. ... We are in a recession and the numbers are popping and the next three weeks will really show that we are dropping really fast. We are falling off the edge and the recession has shown its hand, finally, so maybe even Washington can read it." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/1)

The high number of people applying for unemployment benefits and the expected weakness in today's employment report show "a severe, renewed deterioration in the economy," according to LACY HUNT of CAROLL, McENTEE & McGINLEY. "The economy is in a free fall." ("Investor's Daily", 11/2)

"Manufacturing is like the nose of the economy," says ROBERT BRUSCA of NIKKO SECURITIES. "If the nose is going into recession, the body and the tail will follow too." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/1)

"If the purchasing managers index remains unchanged at the October level for the remainder of the year, then past experience indicates this would be consistent with real gross national product growth of about 1 percent for all of 1990," says ROBERT BRETZ, head of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PURCHASING MANAGEMENT's business survey committee and director of materials management at PITNEY BOWES. NEAL SOSS at FIRST BOSTON says the purchasing numbers "indicate that we are sliding, but not tumbling, into recession. I suspect things will remain the same for the rest of the year." (NYT, 11/2)

"We'll probably see negative growth in the fourth quarter," according to A. GARY SCHILLING & CO.'s TONY REILLY. "That's what the manufacturing index is telling me." He says manufacturing is the first to get hit when consumers

curtail spending. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/1)

"With the advent of NYMEX oil trading, the law of supply and demand is meaningless," says LEON HESS, chairman of AMERADA HESS CORP. "The paper trading is driving the worldwide price. ... We had no trouble before we had the Merc." Hess testified yesterday before a SENATE GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. ("The Washington Post", 11/2)

"Despite the apparent easing of the supply-demand balance, the petroleum industry remains near capacity at almost every point in the production, refining and distribution system," according to the INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY. "Thus, the oil market is still at risk of further disruption." ("The Washington Post", 11/2)

"Given what we see now ... we have several more months to go before we can say we've hit the bottom" in construction spending, says DARYL DELANO, an economist at CAHNERS ECONOMICS in Newton, Mass. "Residential spending has been down so long, we're still searching for the bottom." KEVIN FLYNN, a Philadelphia-based developer, says "this is the worst [commercial real estate] market" he has ever seen. ("USA Today", 11/2)

"Real estate is going from its heyday to its hell day," says MICHAEL SUMICHRAST, former chief economist of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HOME BUILDERS. "The flood of unsold homes - about a record 3 million - will continue to swell. I'd rent, not buy." He sees a 10% drop in average existing home prices in six to nine months. He tells "USA Today's" DAN DORFMAN he is even more bearish on land: "I wouldn't buy any land today unless it's discounted 40% to 45%. There's practically no credit available to build, so prices have to go down. Real estate is a bad situation that must get worse." ("USA Today", 11/2)

"The economy has to grow something between 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 percent just to absorb new people entering the labor force," says DAVID BLITZER of STANDARD & POOR'S. "What's happened is, in the last few months, we haven't grown that fast." ("Nightly Business Report", 11/1)

Ninety percent of the increase in business failures this year has been in the Mid-Atlantic and New England states, according to JOSEPH DUNCAN, corporate economist with DUN & BRADSTREET. "The interesting thing is, because of [export] demand, the old Rust Belt is one of the strong regions today." Duncan believes the U.S. economy will avoid the technical definition of a recession and sees growth of 1/2% in the fourth quarter. "But if you are serving domestic markets ... domestic sales are down, so there's certainly a recession feel to it," says Duncan. (CNN "Business Morning", 11/2)

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MENLO PARK (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Half International Inc. (NYSE: RHI) today reported revenues and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $2,246,000, or 20 cents per fully diluted share, on revenues of $60,127,000. By contrast, net income for the prior year's third quarter was $3,123,000, or 27 cents per fully diluted share, on revenues of $58,585,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $8,430,000, or 74 cents per fully diluted share, on revenues of $189,523,000. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, net income was $10,076,000, or 85 cents per fully diluted share, on revenues of $174,309,000.

Harold M. Messmer, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of the company, said: "While revenues from our Accountemps division continued to grow despite continued softness in the Northeastern United States, overall operating results were adversely impacted by a slowdown in permanent placement activities due to the uncertain U.S. economic outlook."

Robert Half International is the world's first and largest personnel services firm specializing in the placement of accounting, financial, banking, tax and information systems personnel. The company places permanent employees through its Robert Half division and temporary employees thought its Accountemps division. These services are offered though 160 offices located in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom and Belgium.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - ImmunoGen, Inc. (NASDAQ: IMGN), today reported first quarter revenues of $2.3 million as compared to $144,000 for the same period last year. The net loss decreased from $1.6 million, or $0.34 per share last year, to $167,000, or $0.03 per share this year. The revenues for this quarter included $2.1 million of license fees from Roussel Uclaf, a large French pharmaceutical company, on the signing of an agreement granting Roussel the exclusive right to market the company's first product, Oncolysin(R) B, in Europe.

Operating expenses increased from $1.8 million to $2.5 million, and reflect the company's continued product development efforts, establishment of a medical and clinical affairs department and production of drugs for ongoing clinical trials.

Mitchel Sayare, ImmunoGen's president and chief executive officer, stated, "We

are pleased to report the receipt of these revenues. The timing and amounts are completely consistent with the company's fiscal 1991 operating plan."

ImmunoGen, Inc., is a Cambridge-based biotechnology company specializing in the treatment of cancer. The company has developed proprietary toxins, drugs and biologicals conjugated to highly specific monoclonal antibodies which search out and destroy cancer cells.

IMMUNOGEN, INC.
Selected Financial Information
First Quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per share amounts)

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

	9/30/90	6/30/90
Assets:		
Cash and marketable securities	$11,133	$11,552
Other current assets	95	85
Property and equipment	3,455	3,431
Total assets	$14,683	$15,068
Liabilities and stockholders' equity:		
Current liabilities	$ 1,924	$ 2,130
Capital lease obligation	714	735
Stockholders' equity	12,045	12,203
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$14,683	$15,068

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 2,342	$ 144
Expenses:		
Research and development	2,105	1,487
General and administrative	325	273
Interest	22	24
Total expenses	2,452	1,784
Net loss before income taxes	(110)	(1,640)
Income taxes	57	--
Net loss	$ (167)	$(1,640)
Loss per common share	$(0.03)	$ (0.34)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	6,335,462	4,817,979

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SYRACUSE, N.Y. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Anaren Microwave Inc. (NASDAQ: ANEN) has announced results of operations at Sept. 30, 1990, the first quarter of its fiscal year ending June 30, 1991.

Net sales for the quarter were $6,686,194, a 49 percent increase from net sales of $4,474,951 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income after taxes was $61,036, a 112 percent increase from a loss of $498,636 reported for the comparable period of the prior year. Income per share for the first quarter was $.01, compared to a loss per share of $.11 for the first quarter of the previous year.

	First Quarter Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Net Sales	$6,686,194	$4,474,951
Income (Loss) after Taxes	$ 61,036	(498,636)
Income (Loss) per Share	.01	(.11)

Anaren, headquartered in Syracuse, N.Y., designs and manufactures microwave components, assemblies and receiver sub-systems for use in tactical electronic applications for defense of ships, aircraft and land vehicles. It is traded on the NASDAQ Over-the-Counter National Market under the symbol ANEN.

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WESTBORO, MASS. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Data General Corporation (NYSE: DGN) today announced a net loss for its fourth quarter, which ended Sept. 29, 1990, of $89.3 million, or $2.93 per share, including a restructuring charge of $71.7 million resulting from a corporate-wide consolidation announced in August. In last year's fourth quarter the company reported a net loss of $84.1 million, or $2.86 per share, including a restructuring charge of $80.0 million.

Operating loss for the quarter was $88.2 million, including the restructuring charge, compared with an operating loss of $82.2 million, including a restructuring charge, for the fourth quarter last year.

Revenues for the fourth quarter were $308.5 million, compared with revenues of $302.4 million for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 and $357.1 million for the fourth quarter of last year.

In announcing its fourth quarter results, Data General reported that revenues for its new AViiON open systems family of products again grew significantly.

For fiscal 1990, the company reported a loss of $139.8 million, or $4.65 per share, including the $71.7 million restructuring charge. For fiscal 1989 the company reported a loss of $119.7 million, or $4.10 per share, including the $80 million restructuring charge.

Operating loss for the 1990 fiscal year was $132.6 million, compared with an operating loss of $127.4 million in 1989.

Revenues for the 1990 fiscal year were $1.22 billion, compared with $1.31 billion for the previous year.

During the past month Data General announced a series of major AViiON contracts. They included a $45 million contract from Sprint International, which will resell AViiON systems as part of Sprint's private network and messaging system offerings and a $15 million contract awarded to Computer Sciences Corporation, which will use Data General's AViiON servers in phase one of the Army's Reserve Component Automation System (RCAS) contract.

Earlier in the foruth quarter the company also inytroduced a new low-end MV system, the MV/3500 DC. The MV/3500 DC is a desktop system, which offers substantial price/performance advantages over comparable competitive systems.

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OAK BROOK, IL (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Phillip B. Rooney, president and chief operating officer of Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: WMX), was yesterday elected chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Waste Management's 55-percent-owned Wheelabrator Technologies Inc. (NYSE: WTI).

Rooney, who had been serving as vice chairman of Wheelabrator, succeeds Paul M. Montrone, who was elected vice chairman. Montrone continues as president and managing director of The Henley Group, Inc., Wheelabrator's former parent company.

James E. Koenig, vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer of Waste Management, was elected to the same position with Wheelabrator, succeeding Paul M. Meister, who continues as a Wheelabrator director. Meister remains managing director, chief financial officer and treasurer of Henley.

"We are delighted to have both Paul Montrone and Paul Meister continuing on the Wheelabrator board," said Rooney. "Paul Montrone was a founder of Wheelabrator's trash-to-energy business in the early 1970s and under his leadership Wheelabrator has become the premier company in its industry."

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SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - JB's Restaurants Inc. (NASDAQ: JBBB),

today announced net income for the 12 week quarter ended Sept. 24, 1990 of $1,041,000 equal to 23 cents per share. This compares with net income of $972,000, or 20 cents per share, for the like quarter last year. For the full fiscal year, the company reported net income of $2,608,000, or 54 cents per share, which compares with net income of $2,361,000, or 47 cents per share, for the prior year.

Fourth quarter revenues increased 8.2 percent to $29 million reflecting the combination of a 3.2 percent increase in same store sales and additional revenue from the opening of new restaurants. Company operated restaurants open at the end of the quarter totaled 131 units as compared with 119 units at the end of the prior year quarter. Annual revenues increased 5 percent to a record $114.8 million primarily reflecting the opening of 15 new restaurants during the year.

In making the announcement, Fred P. Gonzales, the company's president and chief operating officer, said, "We are pleased to report continued strong earnings improvement and expansion of the company's business. Successful marketing and effective cost control resulted in a 10 percent increase in net income while earnings per share increased 15 percent reflecting the effect of the company's repurchase of 500,000 shares of its common stock. These results were achieved despite a weakening economy and difficult restaurant environment."

Looking forward to next fiscal year, Clark D. Jones, the company's chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "Our results reflect the success of the company's strategies. As we move into the 1990s, our objective is to achieve a 20 percent average annual growth rate in earnings per share while improving the company's return on equity. We are confident we can achieve these goals as we continue to focus on the execution of our strategies."

JB's Restaurants operates 133 JB's family-style restaurants and franchises one JB's family-style restaurant in ten western states.

JB'S RESTAURANTS INC.
Statements of Operations

	Twelve Weeks Ended	
	Sept. 24, 1990	Sept. 25, 1989
Total revenues	$29,048,000	$26,860,000
Costs and expenses		
Food costs	8,909,000	7,881,000
Operating, selling, and administrative expenses	16,866,000	15,999,000
Depreciation and amortization	1,566,000	1,431,000
Total costs and		

expenses	27,341,000	25,311,000
Income from operations	1,707,000	1,549,000
Other income and (expense), net	(29,000)	(68,000)
Income before income taxes	1,678,000	1,481,000
Income taxes	637,000	509,000
Net income	$1,041,000	$972,000
Net income per common share	$.23	$.20

	Fifty-two Weeks Ended	
	Sept. 24, 1990	Sept. 25, 1989
Total revenues	$114,838,000	$109,417,000
Costs and expenses		
Food costs	34,471,000	33,517,000
Operating, selling, and administrative expenses	68,818,000	65,285,000
Depreciation and amortization	6,433,000	6,007,000
Total costs and expenses	109,722,000	104,809,000
Income from operations	5,116,000	4,608,000
Other income and (expense), net	(921,000)	(1,054,000)
Income before income taxes	4,195,000	3,554,000
Income taxes	1,587,000	1,193,000
Net income	$2,608,000	$2,361,000
Net income per common share	$.54	$.47

Earnings per common share based on weighted average outstanding shares of 4,608,273 and 4,865,414

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CANTON, OH (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Timken Company (NYSE: TKR) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of twenty-five cents per share. The dividend is payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 20, 1990.

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#90306p2754 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - National Fuel Gas Company (NYSE: NFG) today announced earnings of $51,998,000 or $1.83 per share for its fiscal year that ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with $52,420,000 or $1.93 per share in fiscal 1989. The share amounts reflect a greater number of average shares outstanding in the current period resulting mainly from the sale of 2 million shares of new common stock in March 1989.

The fourth quarter resulted in a loss of $7,851,000 or $.28 per share compared to a loss of $4,904,000 or $.17 per share in 1989. The company's operations normally produce a loss in the fourth quarter because of lower gas usage by its utility customers in the summer months.

The 5.2 percent decline in earnings per share in fiscal 1990 was due to a number of factors. The weather that was warmer than normal and warmer than in 1989 adversely impacted the sale of natural gas, especially in the company's Pennsylvania retail service area where it was nearly 10 percent warmer than normal. This lowered earnings in both the utility and pipeline subsidiaries. Higher than expected operating expenses and interest charges and the greater average number of shares outstanding also contributed to the earnings per share decline. The combination of these factors overshadowed the continued improvement in earnings from the company's exploration and production business segment and its other nonregulated activities.

Included in 1990's earnings was the restoration of the $.29 per share charge to earnings that had been recorded during the second quarter. On Oct. 26, the company announced that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) approved a favorable settlement that its pipeline subsidiary had reached with its wholesale customers and the FERC staff involving three rate cases. The per share earnings reported for the second quarter were restated to $1.26 from $.97.

Total system natural gas throughput was up 16.6 billion cubic feet (BCF) to 243.7 BCF in 1990. Throughput in the pipeline and storage segment was up 16.4 BCF because of increased transportation of Canadian gas and gas for non-affiliated companies of 14.5 BCF and a 1.9 BCF increase in its sale of gas to wholesale customers. For the utility operation, the transportation of gas for end-users was up 4.1 BCF while retail sales were down 3.9 BCF.

National Fuel's earnings report represents the total performance of National Fuel Gas Company and its subsidiaries including National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (oil and gas production, pipeline, and natural gas storage), National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation (utility), Penn-York Energy Corporation (natural gas storage), Seneca Resources Corporation (exploration and production), Empire Exploration, Inc. (exploration and production), and Utility Constructors, Inc. (pipeline construction and well-drilling and

service).

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BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Qintex Entertainment Inc. ("QEI") (NASDAQ: QNTXQ) today announced that the company has completed the sale of certain of its entertainment assets to RHI Entertainment for a final adjusted closing price in excess of $40 million.

QEI also reported that the company is in escrow on the sale of its interests in HR Broadcasting, Inc. (HRBC). HRBC owns two television stations that are being sold to ABRY Communications for over $40 million, of which QEI will receive more than $20 million for its interests. The ABRY transaction is scheduled to close following transfer of FCC licenses, which is expected to occur in December 1990.

"Qintex -- in the context of a difficult financing environment -- is maximizing cash value through two transactions that will net more than $60 million. We are very pleased to close the asset sale to RHI and look forward to completing the ABRY transaction as well," said Jonathan Lloyd, president of Qintex Entertainment.

"In cooperation with its creditors, the company is currently developing a plan of reorganization that will determine the ultimate distribution of these proceeds," Lloyd explained.

Qintex filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in October 1989.

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MELBOURNE, FL (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - DBA Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: DBAS) announced today that revenues for the three-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990 were $7,892,000, down $2,720,000 from the $10,612,000 recorded in the comparable three-month period in the prior fiscal year. Approximately $2,000,000 of the revenue decline was attributable to the discontinuance of the company's Military Products Division in the prior fiscal year.

Operating income was $610,000 during the current three-month period vs. $635,000 in the comparable period in the prior fiscal year. The current quarters' operating margin improved to 7.7 percent when compared to the

operating margin of 6.0 percent in the prior year's comparable quarter.

Net income of $77,000 was recorded for the current quarter, up $62,000 when compared to $15,000 recorded a year earlier. DBA's backlog of uncompleted work on existing contracts as of Sept. 30, 1990 was approximately $31,200,000 as compared to approximately $29,000,000 at June 30, 1990.

John L. Slack, DBA's chairman, president and CEO, stated, "I'm encouraged by the improvement in our operating margins and the increases in our backlog. We are starting to see the results of the actions we took last year to reduce our indirect costs and focus on our core business."

DBA SYSTEMS, INC.

Three Months Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
Revenues	$7,892,000	$10,612,000
Operating income	$ 610,000	$ 635,000
Pretax income	$ 77,000	$ 15,000
Net income	$ 77,000	$ 15,000
Fully diluted earnings per share	$.03	$.01

CONTACT: John L. Slack, chairman of the board, president and CEO of DBA Systems, Inc., (407) 727-0660, ext. 2535.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - At 9 a.m. EST today, Dean S. Marriott, senior deputy comptroller for bank supervision, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), declared Lone Star National Bank, Dallas, insolvent. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) was appointed as receiver.

The bank became a matter of concern to the OCC in 1987. Liberal loan underwriting standards, poor selection of credit risk, and poor documentation of lending collateral led to significant loan losses. Weak administration of the bank by management and the board led to further deterioration in the bank's condition.

The OCC obtained commitments from the board of directors to undertake measures to correct the bank's problems. However, these efforts were unsuccessful and losses finally exhausted the bank's capital funds, resulting in its insolvency.

Lone Star National Bank received a national bank charter on Aug. 3, 1984. On Sept. 30, 1990, it had total assets of approximately $40 million. The FDIC is expected to release additional information later today.

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#90306p2762 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
BALTIMORE (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Nova Pharmaceutical Corporation (NASDAQ: NOVX) today announced that it has withdrawn its proposed offering of 2.5 million shares of convertible exchangeable preferred stock.

"Due to the current market volatility, we have decided to withdraw the preferred stock offering," said Hans Mueller, Nova president and chief executive officer. "When market conditions improve, we will consider refiling the offering.

"In keeping with Nova's corporate strategy, we will continue to pursue aggressively the development of corporate partnership arrangements, and other revenue generating opportunities. We have begun marketing the psychiatric product line we acquired in July of this year, and have booked sales of over $9 million in the third quarter. In addition, the company recently signed an agreement with Orion Corporation Farmos to develop and market Nova's GLIADEL(TM) implant in Scandinavia.

"We are also continuing the intense effort towards further development of our research and development portfolio, which includes five products in clinical trials, as well as major preclinical programs in pain and inflammation, central nervous system disorders and drug delivery systems," added Mueller.

Nova Pharmaceutical Corporation, based in Baltimore, is engaged in the research and development of new drugs and drug delivery systems, with a primary focus on central nervous system disorders and pain and inflammation.

CONTACT: Michael J. Demchuk, VP-administration and control of Nova, 301-558-7000; or Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for Nova

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#90306p2763 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
OLDSMAR, FLA. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Homestyle Buffet, Inc., (NASDAQ: HBUF) today reported that sales and earnings nearly doubled in the third quarter and were also up sharply for the three quarters compared to the corresponding periods a year ago.

For the third quarter (16 weeks) ended Oct. 10, 1990, record net sales of $13,526,000 were up 96 percent over sales of $6,884,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Net earnings were up 99 percent to $636,000 from third quarter net of $319,000 last year. Earnings per share were 11 cents on 1,171,000 more shares outstanding than in the third quarter of 1989 when the company earned seven cents per share.

For the three quarters, net sales increased 82 percent to $30,823,000 vs. $16,919,000 a year ago. Net earnings were up 95 percent to $1,815,000 over the $931,000 earned in the first three quarters of 1989. Earnings per share increased to 33 cents compared to 22 cents on the fewer shares a year ago.

Barry M. Rowles, chairman, pointed out that Homestyle has maintained a strong balance sheet, closing the third quarter with no long-term debt and more than $7 million in cash and short-term investments.

Rowles said four restaurants were opened during the third quarter, one each in Philadelphia, Reading and Harrisburg, Pa., and one in Virginia Beach, Va. The total number of restaurants open at the end of the quarter was 28 compared with 15 open a year ago.

The three newest restaurants incorporated the company's new "scatter" service system design with nine food islands replacing the usual five buffet lines. Rowles said initial data indicates that the new system is more attractive to customers and has the capability of handling significantly higher customer counts per hour, possibly with lower food costs. He noted that the openings of scatter-system restaurants were delayed an average of seven weeks to enable the necessary design changes.

The company expects to open two more restaurants in November near Monmouth, N.J, and in Richmond, Va., completing its 1990 development plan and closing the year with 30 restaurants.

HOMESTYLE BUFFET, INC.
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS (Unaudited)

	16 Weeks Ended	
	10/10/90	10/11/89
Sales	$13,526,000	$ 6,884,000
Earnings before income taxes	922,000	433,000
Income taxes	286,000	114,000
Net earnings	$ 636,000	$ 319,000
Net earnings per share	$ .11	$ .07
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	6,031,000(A)	4,860,000

	40 Weeks Ended	
	10/10/90	10/11/89
Sales	$30,823,000	$16,919,000
Earnings before income taxes	2,753,000	1,416,000
Income taxes	938,000	485,000
Net earnings	$ 1,815,000	$ 931,000
Net earnings per share	$ .33	$ .22
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	5,468,000(A)	4,276,000

(A) -- Reflects public sale of 1,100,000 common shares completed on May 23, 1990. Subject to year-end audit.

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KENT, WA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Flow International Corporation (NASDAQ: FLOW) announced today second quarter sales of $10.7 million for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, compared to $12.7 million for the same period last year.

This decline in revenues was partly due to deferral of orders which the company believes was caused by the crisis in the Middle East, recession fears, and currency devaluations in Eastern Europe.

Dr. Y. H. Michael Pao, chairman, president and CEO of Flow International stated, "During the past year, the company has reduced staffing levels by 15 percent and significantly reduced other expenses. Although we anticipate lower earnings, we expect all divisions, including HydroMilling Services and Flow Asia, to be profitable for the quarter." The company plans to report second quarter earnings in early December.

Flow International is the world's leader in ultrahigh-pressure waterjets for industrial cutting and HydroMilling services.

CONTACT: Y. H. Michael Pao, chairman, president and CEO of Flow International, (206) 872-4900, or Anthony J. Russo or Claudia Mueller of Noonan/Russo Communications, (212) 979-9180, for Flow International.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Medicis Pharmaceutical Corp. (NASDAQ: MDRXA, MDRXU), a development stage dermatological products company, "successfully launched its first products in the last two weeks of the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, and sales sharply exceeded our business plan, providing us with an excellent platform for the introduction this month of our Theraplex(TM) family of moisturizers and shampoos," Jonah Shacknai, chairman and CEO, reported today. "The rapid acceptance by physicians of our first prescription product line is encouraging, and comments from this normally critical audience indicate that our new product introductions will also be extremely well received," Shacknai said. "We expect sales to accelerate as we move forward in fiscal 1991," he added.

For the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Medicis had net revenues of $1,012,000, derived from sales of the company's prescription product line launched during the last two weeks of the quarter. Since Medicis is a new company, there are no comparable figures from the year before. The net loss for the period was $903,000, or $.03 per share on a weighted average of 29,986,000 shares outstanding for the period.

Medicis' principal focus is the $2 billion dermatology market where it has developed high quality, innovative products. The company's prescription products include a unique acne care line which consists of Theramycin(TM)Z, a topical antibiotic that combines erythromycin and zinc, and BenzaShave(TM), a prescription shaving product used in the treatment of pseudofolliculitus barbae (razor bumps); Paplex(TM), a family of products to treat common and plantar warts; and Onyplex(TM), a nail hardener and bite deterrent. This month Medicis will launch its Theraplex family of therapeutic moisturizers and shampoos.

Recently, Medicis announced that it has been granted an exclusive worldwide license to market, when approved, a generic prescription form of Tretinoin. Tretinoin, which is currently being marketed by Johnson & Johnson's Ortho Pharmaceutical Corp. under the name Retin-A(R), is a topical vitamin A derivative used in the treatment of acne.

In addition, Medicis is in stage III clinical trials with its photo chemoprotective agent, Bergasol(R). Bergasol(R), which to date has sold more than 42 million units in Europe, stimulates the production of melanin thereby promoting deep tanning while reducing sun burning and DNA damage which contribute to the formation of skin cancer.

CONTACT: Peter Knight, general counsel of Medicis, 212-599-2000; or Sherry Spalter of the Wall Street Group, 212-344-9131, for Medicis

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#90306p2771 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Centex Corporation (NYSE: CTX) today announced the election of Ray L. Hunt to the company's board of directors. The election of Hunt increases the size of the Centex board from 10 directors to 11.

Hunt is chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of Hunt Consolidated, Inc. He also serves as chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Hunt Oil Company.

Active in the Dallas community, Hunt currently is chairman of the board of trustees of Southern Methodist University (SMU) and a member of the executive committee of the Southwestern Medical Foundation. He is past chairman of the Dallas Citizens Council, the North Texas Commission and the Central Dallas Association. He also served three years as a director of the Dallas Chamber

of Commerce and for 10 years as a trustee of the Dallas Museum of Art. In 1988, Hunt was named the first recipient of the Greater Dallas Chamber's J. Erik Jonsson Award in recognition of his civic involvements.

Hunt also is active in the oil and gas industry. He currently is a member of the board of directors and serves on the management committee of the American Petroleum Institute. In addition, he is vice chairman of the National Petroleum Council in Washington, and a member of the secretary of energy's advisory board. In 1989, Hunt received the Southwestern Legal Foundation's John Rogers award for distinguished service to both the petroleum industry and civic institutions.

Hunt is currently a member of the board of directors of Dresser Industries, Burlington Resources, Inc., NCNB Texas National Bank and Chili's and is on the board of trustees of the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington.

A Dallas native, Hunt, 47, received a B.S. degree in economics from SMU. Centex, a Dallas-based company, has operations in home building and mortgage banking, general construction, construction products and savings and loan.

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WILMINGTON, DE (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of GWC Corp. (NASDAQ: GWCC) today declared a quarterly dividend of 36 cents per common share, payable Dec. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov.16.

Under the company's dividend policy, quarterly dividends of 36 cents per share are paid each March 1, June 1, Sept. 1 and Dec. 1, for an annual rate of $1.44 per share of common stock.

GWC Corp., headquartered in Wilmington, is a water utility holding company that is also engaged in non-regulated activities. GWC's shares are traded Over-the-Counter on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "GWCC". The company has 10 million common shares outstanding.

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BOULDER, COLO. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Synergen Inc. (NASDAQ: SYGN) announced today that it expects to begin human clinical trials soon to evaluate its interleukin-1 receptor antagonist, (IL-1ra), as a treatment for septic shock. Synergen recently filed its IND, or Investigational New Drug application, with

the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

The IND is the Company's second filing with the FDA to investigate therapeutic uses of IL-1ra. Clinical trials to evaluate IL-1ra in patients with rheumatoid arthritis began in September of this year.

Dr. Robert C. Thompson, Synergen's Executive Vice President for Research, has reported at several recent scientific meetings that administration of IL-1ra has significantly reduced the mortality associated with septic shock in several animal models.

Subject to FDA review, initial clinical studies in adult volunteers will focus on the intravenous safety profile of IL-1ra and will be conducted at the New England Medical Center Hospitals. Subsequent studies will evaluate the use of IL-1ra as a treatment for the high mortality associated with septic shock.

More than half a million individuals develop sepsis annually in the United States and 200,000 of these patients proceed to septic shock. Mortality rates for patients in septic shock are typically 40 percent to 50 percent.

Elevated levels of IL-1 are believed to occur in all patients suffering from septic shock, including septic shock caused by gram negative bacteria, gram positive bacteria and other organisms. IL-1ra functions as a receptor antagonist for IL-1 and prevents IL-1 from interacting with cells and initiating the cardiovascular and multiple organ failure responsible for septic shock mortality. IL-1ra could therefore have a broader spectrum of activity than monoclonal antibodies currently under development that only target gram negative septic shock.

"The filing of this IND for IL-1ra is another indication of Synergen's progress toward commercialization of our products. We believe IL-1ra is an important molecule and our program to clinically evaluate several products incorporating IL-1ra is well underway," said Jon Saxe, Synergen's President and Chief Executive Officer.

Synergen also expects to file a subsequent IND in 1991 to investigate the use of IL-1ra as a treatment for inflammatory bowel disease.

Synergen is a biotechnology company developing products to treat inflammatory diseases, vascular disorders and neurological conditions using recombinant DNA technology and the latest advances in molecular and cellular biology.

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FLINT, MI (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - In a continuing effort to encourage women-

and minority-owned businesses, Consumers Power Company is sponsoring a business forum and trade fair from 8 a.m. to noon at the Flint Holiday Inn on Wednesday, Nov. 14, 1990. Employees from various locations in the utility's 27,800-square-mile service territory will attend the event.

"We are committed to increasing business opportunities for women- and minority-owned businesses. This exposition is an excellent opportunity for such firms to showcase their products and services to Consumers Power officials," said Anne C. Bartkus, a Consumers Power employee and event administrator.

Businesses represented at the trade fair will include service firms offering computer software applications, employee training, secretarial and clerical support, painting and machine relocation, asbestos abatement and planning and scheduling assistance, among others.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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DIBOLL, TEXAS (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Temple-Inland Inc. (NYSE/PSE: TIN) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.20 per common share, payable Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Joseph M. Areddy of Temple-Inland Inc., 317-879-4328

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DALLAS (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Centex Corporation (NYSE: CTX) has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of ten cents per share payable on Jan. 7, 1991 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 13, 1990.

Centex is a Dallas-based company with operations in home building and mortgage banking, general construction, construction products, and savings and loan.

CONTACT: Sheila Gallagher, vice president-corporate communications of Centex, (214) 559-6500.

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#90306p2784 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The largest retail bank in China, the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China, this week launched a domestic Visa card, which will be available to its account holders. The Bank's customer base represents 46 percent of China's 1.18 billion people population.

The Industrial and Commercial Bank of China has the largest national banking network in the world, with 30,000 branch operations throughout China and more than 480,000 employees.

Raymond Chan, General Manager of Visa International, North Asia Region, said at the inauguration ceremony today in Beijing that the bank's immense branch operations will provide the most extensive network for Visa card issuance anywhere in the world.

Industrial and Commercial Bank of China expects to issue more than 100,000 cards within the first year. Initially, the new card will be for use within China only. Currently, there are 3,000 locations accepting Visa cards in China but this number is expected to increase considerably by end of this year.

Visa entered the China market in 1987 and has established the first and only computerized transaction processing network for credit card authorization in the country. Together with the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China, Visa members now include five out of the six banks in China.

The Industrial and Commercial Bank of China is the second bank to begin issuing Visa cards, after the Bank of China, who started to first issue cards in 1988 and now has more than 20,000 cards in circulation.

Visa is the largest and fastest growing consumer payment system in the world. It has over 230 million cards in circulation and 7.9 million acceptance locations in 190 countries.

CONTACT: Christoph Abt of VISA, (415) 358-2469.

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#90306p2786 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermet Corp. (NASDAQ: INMT) today announced that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 1 million shares of its outstanding common stock.

The program, to be administered by the officers of the company, permits the purchase of shares from time to time through Oct. 31, 1991, either on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. Intermet has 21.7 million shares of common stock outstanding.

Atlanta-based Intermet Corp. and its subsidiaries, with foundries in six states and three foreign countries, manufacture precision iron parts for

automotive and industrial customers in North America, Europe and Asia. Intermet is the world's leading independent manufacturer of iron castings.

CONTACT: Carl I. Gable, vice chairman of Intermet, 404-431-6000, or Janice J. Kuntz of Cameron Towey & Associates, 404-392-4239, for Intermet

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#90306p2791 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - On Nov. 3, all 40 Breuner's Furniture Rental stores throughout California and Nevada will change their name to Brook Furniture Rental, President Robert W. Crawford announced.

In May, Chicago-based Brook acquired the furniture rental arm of John Breuner Co., Walnut Creek, from B.A.T Industries for $15 million. The combined entity is one of the largest companies of its type in the U.S. with estimated 1990 sales of $50 million.

"We intend to grow the Midwest and West Coast markets, where we see a great deal of opportunity," Crawford said.

Crawford is optimistic about the future of the furniture rental industry. "It's approaching $1 billion, yet we've hardly scratched the surface of the need for temporary furniture," Brook said. "Right now, office furniture accounts for about one third of the business, but it's growing fast. Residential is also growing and there are a lot of niches," he added.

In 1979, Crawford acquired his firm, then called Broyhill, with sales of less than $1 million. He changed its name, moved its product upscale and diversified from exclusively residential furniture to include furniture for office and convention services, and sale of returned furniture.

A former executive with Procter and Gamble, Crawford has 25 years' experience in managing businesses, including divisions similar in size to his expanded company. He also holds an MBA from the Wharton School of Finance of the University of Pennsylvania.

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MONTEZUMA, UT (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - On this area's vast 25,000-square-mile Navajo reservation, two problems can plague the Navajo's aging - limited access to nutritional meals, and transportation to and from their rural and remote homes.

But after today, that situation stands to improve considerably. The reservation's Aneth Senior Center was the first recipient of a new, donated Chrysler minivan presented under a public-private partnership program called Give A Friend A Lift, sponsored by Thrifty Car Rental.

The program has been hailed by the U.S. commissioner on aging as a "landmark partnership" and "an important example of the role corporate America must play in finding new ways to meet the growing need for services."

"Transportation for the aging is a serious problem here," said center supervisor Thelma Lansing, as she accepted the keys to the new van. "We love our elderly, and this new van will allow us to improve their lives considerably. That means an awful lot to us and to them."

The center provides meals and support services for elderly residents in six communities within a 275-square-mile area of the reservation. The center has had only one van available both to transport senior citizens in for meals and to deliver an average of 60 meals a day to those unable to travel.

With the addition of the Give A Friend A Lift minivan, Aneth hopes to increase delivery of meals from twice a week to possibly four times a week. According to the 1980 Census, 49.7 percent of the Indians residing on the reservation are below the poverty level with a per capita income of $2,414.

Under the Give A Friend A Lift Program, Thrifty will donate a new Chrysler minivan to an aging organization for every 50,000 Thrifty rentals by members of American Association of Retired Persons. During the program's first year - July 1, 1990, through June 30, 1991 - Thrifty has reduced the rental requirement to 25,000. Thrifty is a participant in the AARP's Purchase Privilege Program, and offers discounts to its members.

"We developed Give A Friend A Lift because of our company's concern regarding the basic needs of many older Americans," said Douglas E. Harrison, vice president of market development for Thrifty. "We have a solid base of customers over age 50 who are able to enjoy leisure travel. This program allows Thrifty to acknowledge their support by in turn assisting others."

In order for AARP rentals to apply toward Give A Friend A Lift, members need only to use their AARP Thrifty discount identification number when renting a vehicle. Excluded from the program are AARP rentals at special government, corporate and tour rates; rentals for insurance replacement; and for term monthly rates.

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#90306p2794 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MICH. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - TriMas Corporation (NASDAQ: TMAS) today reported record third-quarter sales and earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $90.9 million, as compared to $52.7 million for the third quarter of 1989. Earnings available for common stock, after providing for preferred stock dividends, increased 24 percent to $2.9 million, or $.30 per common share, as compared to the prior year third-quarter results of $2.4 million, or $.24 per common share.

Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $254.2 million, as compared to $171.1 million for the comparable period of 1989. Earnings available for common stock, after providing for preferred stock dividends, increased 15 percent to $10.8 million, or $1.10 per common share, over the prior year nine-months results of $9.4 million, or $.96 per common share.

Earnings per common share for 1989 have been adjusted to reflect the company's common stock split, effected in the form of a 100-percent stock distribution (one additional share for every share held) issued to shareholders in February 1990.

Results for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 include the results of operations of the three businesses acquired from Masco Corporation in January 1990, as well as the previously announced acquisition of the assets and business of Draw-Tite, Inc., a leading manufacturer of vehicle towing systems for the recreational and light truck markets. The results of operations of Draw-Tite are included since June 1, 1990, the effective date of acquisition.

Due to seasonal factors, operating results in the second half have historically been lower than in the first half. While a number of the company's businesses continue to experience softened demand due to general economic conditions, management believes that the company will achieve record sales and earnings in 1990.

TriMas Corporation manufactures commercial and industrial products including fasteners, products for the containment and dispensing of fluids and gases, precision cutting tools, specialty insulation and tape products, and products for the recreational and marine markets.

TRIMAS CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENT OF INCOME
(Amounts in thousands, except per-share data)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$90,890	$52,720	$254,210	$171,070
Cost of sales	(63,830)	(37,060)	(176,830)	(116,580)

Selling, general and administrative expenses	(13,050)	(6,180)	(34,750)	(21,500)
Other expense, net	(6,130)	(2,920)	(15,330)	(8,320)
Income before income taxes	7,880	6,560	27,300	24,670
Income taxes	3,220	2,460	11,230	10,030
Net income	$4,660	$4,100	$16,070	$14,640
Earnings available for common stock	$2,910	$2,350	$10,820	$9,390
Earnings per common share	$.30	$.24	$1.10	$.96
Average common shares outstanding	9,833	9,833	9,833	9,833

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#90306p2800 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

FRASER, MI (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Tubby's Sub Shops, Inc. announced the completion of an earlier agreement to sell back two Stuff Yer Face units to their previous president, William J. Washawanny. Terms and conditions of the sale were revealed in the prospectus mailed to shareholders of record on Jan. 24, 1990.

The sale price for the two units, including real estate and businesses, was $1,481,500. This purchase price was higher than the original agreement negotiated prior to Tubby's acquisition of the Stuff Yer Face company. Tubby's President J. Thomas Paganes and Washawanny agree that strategic initiatives for both companies have been accomplished.

Tubby's, as a result of this transaction, has acquired a NASDAQ rating, increased shareholders equity, and removed the burden of operating units in the New Jersey area. This will serve as a beginning for both Tubby's, Inc. and the Washawanny units while providing a catalyst for the franchising of the Stuff Yer Face concepts.

CONTACT: J. Thomas Paganes of Tubby's, Inc., (313) 296-1270.

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#90306p2801 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Anticipating increased capacity between Chicago and Ireland and the new service from Los Angeles, due to start June 1991, Aer Lingus has opened sales offices in both cities.

The Chicago office is headed by Thomas Dillon, passenger sales

manager/Midwest. He is joined by Cynthia Capetanopoulos as account executive and David McGrath as passenger service representative at O'Hare Airport. The new premises are located at: 2800 River Road, Suite 190, Des Plaines, Ill., 60018; phone (708) 390-1060, fax (708) 390-8478.

Billy Condon is the new passenger sales manager/West Coast and joins Aer Lingus in California from the London office. He is assisted by Jim McKay as account executive and has located his sales office at: 9841 Airport Blvd., Suite 1512, Los Angeles, Calif., 90045; phone (213) 568-8444, fax (213) 568-8815.

CONTACT: Patrick M. Hanrahan of Aer Lingus, (212) 557-1090, or 1-800-227-6876.

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#90306p2807 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (NOV. 2) PR NESWWIRE - Burnham Pacific Properties Inc. (NYSE: BPP), a San Diego-based equity real estate investment trust (REIT), announced today increased revenues for the third quarter and first nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and declines in net income, compared to the same periods in 1989.

The company reported revenues of $5,964,000 for the third quarter and $17,802,000 for the first nine months of 1990, compared to $5,025,000 and $15,050,000, respectively, a year ago.

The company also reported net income fell to 9 cents from 17 cents in comparative third quarters and to 25 cents from 96 cents in comparable nine month periods. Accodring to President Louis J. Garday, third quarter and nine month results reflect increased depreciation and interest expense from 100 percent financing of the purchase of Point Loma Plaza shopping center for $35.5 million in late 1989.

Burnham Pacific Properties owns and manages 19 commercial real estate properties in San Diego, Orange and Los Angeles counties and is affiliated with John Burnham and Co., a 99-year-old San Diego- based real estate, insurance and mortgage banking firm.

BURNHAM PACIFIC PROPERTIES
Summary of Financial Data
(in thousands except for per share data)

	3rd Quarter Ended		9 Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Total Revenues	$5,964	$5,025	$17,802	$15,050
Net Income	$533	$1,000	$1,507	$5,440
Cash Available for Dividends from Operations	$1,860	$2,022	$5,677	$5,927
Total Assets	$183,843	$148,769	$183,843	$148,769

Per Share Data:				
Net Income	$.09	$.17	$.25	$.96
Cash Available for Dividends from Operations	$.31	$.34	$.94	$1.05
Dividend Paid	$.34	$.34	$1.02	$1.02

CONTACT: Louis Garday, president, or Bill Gabriel of Burnham Pacific, 619-236-1555

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#90306p2808 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Ann F. Lewis, chair of the American Jewish Congress Commission for Women's Equality and noted political analyst, announced today a shareholders' campaign urging the AT&T Foundation to reconsider its recent decision to end support for Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

In a resolution submitted to AT&T, Lewis stated that "continued operation of teenage pregnancy prevention programs is in the best interests of this nation." The resolution is accompanied by an explanation to shareholders pointing out that AT&T discontinued funding even though the money in question was earmarked for teenage pregnancy prevention.

American Jewish Congress' Commission for Women's Equality will organize support for the resolution from individual and institutional shareholders. The use of shareholder resolutions to effect corporate policy was undertaken by American Jewish Congress in 1975 to combat participation by American corporations in the Arab boycott of Israel.

The AT&T Foundation had supported Planned Parenthood Federation efforts to prevent teenage pregnancy for 25 years. It ended support after anti-abortion advocates mounted a publicity campaign; a company spokesman said Planned Parenthood had "become a player in the divisive abortion issue."

In response, Lewis' resolution says "Passage will make clear the intent of (AT&T) shareholders to support two important principles: prevention of teenage pregnancy is a socially useful goal; and genuine neutrality on the issue of abortion...means not penalizing otherwise worthwhile organizations that have taken policy positions."

Will Maslow, AJCongress general counsel, and an expert in shareholders resolutions that address social and political issues is served as counsel for this effort.

The Commission for Women's Equality includes prominent feminists, elected officials, academic and community leaders, working to achieve equality for women in Jewish life and around the world.

CONTACT: Andrea Binder of the AJCongress, (212) 360-1541.

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#90306p2812 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, ORE. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Lederle-Praxis Biologicals, a wholly owned subsidiary of American Cyanamid (NYSE: ACY), has signed an agreement with Bioject, Inc. (NASDAQ: BJCTF) for the purpose of evaluating issues related to filling, packaging and marketing prefilled medication ampules for use with Bioject's needleless jet injection system.

The agreement, which provides for a $150,000 fee to be paid to Bioject, is the first phase of a relationship that could lead to subsequent licensing and joint marketing agreements between the two firms. Under its terms, specific Lederle products under consideration for prefilled Bioject ampules will not be disclosed.

"We are very excited to be working with Lederle," commented Carl Wilcox, president and CEO for Bioject. "Our work together propels the development of our second generation of ampules and underscores the growing interest and demand for our product."

Lederle, whose 1989 sales were approximately $1.5 billion, is one of the largest vaccine producers in the United States, manufacturing such products as flu, diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis vaccines.

Bioject, Inc. is a Portland, Ore.-based company specializing in drug delivery systems. The company develops, manufactures and markets needleless jet injection systems for widespread use in the health care industry.

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#90306p2815 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Investors Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: INVF) ("Investors") the parent company of Investors Savings Bank, today reported that management has increased its general reserves for possible losses on loans and real estate acquired through foreclosure by approximately $8.2 million, or 70 percent, which contributed to a net loss for the third quarter of 1990 of $9.4 million or $1.09 per share. Investors reported net income of $1.0 million or $0.12 per share for the third quarter of 1989.

The net loss for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to $14.1 million or $1.64 per share, as compared to net income of $4.9 million or $0.57 per share for the first nine months of 1989. The nine month 1990 results reflect a $6.7 million increase in general reserves for losses on loans and foreclosed real

estate and $3.6 million in amortization of intangible assets.

The third quarter loss resulted from management's decision to increase loan loss reserves given the further weakening of the southeast commercial real estate market. Such reserves do not reflect actual losses incurred, but serve to create a cushion to absorb any losses which may occur in the future. Accordingly, such reserves are included in the determination of total capital for regulatory purposes. During the quarter, total charges related to non-performing assets impacted Investors' earnings by $12.1 million, consisting primarily of increased provisions for possible loan losses of $7.0 million, $2.9 million in interest income not recognized and $2.0 million in provisions for possible losses in real estate acquired through foreclosure.

At September 30, 1990, Investors' total loan loss reserves were $21.2 million or 1.4 percent of total loans, as compared to $8.9 million or 0.5 percent of total loans at the same date last year. Excluding residential mortgages and the associated loan loss reserve, loan loss reserves were $19.3 million or 2.6 percent of adjusted loans as compared to $7.4 million or 0.8 percent of adjusted loans at the same date last year. Unallocated loan loss reserves of $18.7 million are included in the determination of Investors Savings Bank's risk-based capital for regulatory purposes at September 30, 1990, an increase of $6.9 million in the third quarter. In addition, Investors currently has a $2.0 million general reserve against its real estate owned acquired through foreclosure. Further, real estate owned properties are written down to their fair value when the foreclosure is deemed to occur.

At September 30, 1990, total non-performing assets were $156.0 million, net of specific reserves of $3.4 million. This total includes $89.1 million of non-performing loans, $65.3 million of non-performing real estate acquired through foreclosure and $1.6 million of real estate investments. Commercial real estate loans and foreclosed properties account for $106.4 million or 68 percent of non-performing assets. A summary of Investors' non-performing assets by property type and location is included as part of this release.

In January 1990, Investors filed a capital plan with the Office of Thrift Supervision ("OTS") as required under the new FIRREA capital regulations. This plan has been amended to reflect the additional loan loss reserves established in the third quarter of 1990. As of this date, there has been no decision rendered on the plan and it remains under consideration by the OTS staff.

Investors Financial Corporation is a unitary savings and loan holding company headquartered in Richmond, Virginia. Its primary subsidiary, Investors Savings Bank, an FDIC-insured, state-chartered savings and loan association, operates 50 banking offices in the Richmond, Tidewater and Shenandoah Valley areas of Virginia.

CONTACT: Tracey L. Beckler, Investor Relations, or Cary A. Morris, Senior

Vice President, both of Investors Financial Corporation, 804-323-4500 (Richmond), 1-800-572-3366 (Virginia), 1-800-654-1010 (U.S.A.)

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NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Entergy Corp. (NYSE: ETR) today reported third quarter 1990 consolidated net income of $209.6 million compared with a loss incurred in the third quarter of last year due primarily to the write-off of the Grand Gulf 2 nuclear unit.

Earnings per share, including the effects of a 4.7 percent reduction in average number of shares outstanding for the third quarter 1990 compared to the same period last year, were $1.07.

BOARD INCREASES DIVIDEND The board of directors voted on Oct. 31 to increase the regular quarterly dividend on common stock by 20 percent, from 25 cents to 30 cents per common share. The dividend will be payable Dec. 3 to stockholders of record as of Nov. 16.

The board also authorized the expenditure of up to $150 million to repurchase company common stock through Jan. 31, 1991, depending on market conditions. Any such repurchases depend upon approval from the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) of the company's application in September to repurchase up to 10 percent of its common stock. The request is in addition to existing SEC authorization for stock repurchases of up to 20,458,109 shares.

Of that amount, over 18.8 million shares had been repurchased as of Oct. 31 at a total cost of nearly $371.6 million. These repurchases have reduced the number of shares outstanding to approximately 185.8 million.

Jackson explained that stock repurchases are made from time to time depending upon market conditions and authorization of Entergy's board of directors, and that there is no assurance of the actual amount of purchases that will be made.

FINANCIAL RESULTS EXPLAINED Higher energy sales were the result of extended periods of hot weather throughout the three-state area that Entergy serves. Peak load records were set by three of the four retail operating companies and the consolidated system as well. The new system peak of 12,189 megawatts occurred at 5 p.m. on Aug. 29.

Retail sales for third quarter 1990 rose 6.9 percent over last year with residential sales up 10.4 percent, commercial up 5.0 percent, and industrial up 5.3 percent. Wholesale sales, which are smaller in volume than retail sales, increased 41.1 percent because of larger purchases by other utilities. This boosted total energy sales by 9.6 percent for the quarter.

REGULATORY AND LEGAL MATTERS In other third quarter events, the remaining

necessary regulatory authorizations were granted to Entergy Power Inc., a new subsidiary that has purchased AP&L's interests in the Independence 2 and Ritchie 2 generating units and is currently marketing the capacity and energy from these units outside the service territory.

On Aug. 29, the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed a lower court decision that stayed a federal court challenge by NOPSI to the city of New Orleans' February 1988 order disallowing $135 million of NOPSI's Grand Gulf 1 costs. The lower court had stayed the federal court proceedings pending resolution of state court proceedings. A rehearing request lodged by NOPSI with the 5th Circuit was denied on Oct. 17.

Finally, a settlement agreement was reached among Entergy Corp. and the other parties involved in a shareholder class action suit against the company and certain other defendants. The agreement, which is subject to court approval, provides for payments to be made from a $15.3 million settlement fund to individual plaintiffs based on the proportionate claim of each shareholder.

CONTACT: Kirk Carney of Entergy Corp., 504-569-4156

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#90306p2819 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, VA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald V. Fites, chairman and chief executive officer of Caterpillar Inc., has been elected a member of the board of directors of Mobil Corporation (NYSE: MOB) as of Dec. 1, Allen E. Murray, chairman and chief executive officer of Mobil, announced today.

The election of Fites brings to 16 the number of directors on Mobil's board.

Fites, 56, joined Caterpillar in 1956 after graduation from Valparaiso University with a degree in civil engineering. He received a master's degree in management from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1971 and is a former Sloan Fellow.

Fites held various marketing management positions in Africa, Switzerland, West Germany, Japan and Brazil. He became vice president of Caterpillar Tractor Co. in 1981, executive vice president in 1985, and a director in 1986. He was named president and chief operating officer of Caterpillar Inc. in 1989 and assumed his current responsibilities in July 1990.

Fites is a director of the Equipment Manufacturers Institute, the First National Bank of Peoria, Keep America Beautiful, and the U.S.- Japan Business Council, Inc. He serves as a trustee of the Farm Foundation, The Methodist Medical Center of Illinois, and Knox College, and is a member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board, the Agricultural Roundtable, the Society of Automotive Engineers, and the policy committee of The Business Roundtable.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Savin Corporation (NYSE: SVB) today announced third quarter net income of $98,000, compared to a loss of $35.2 million for the same period in 1989. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $517,000, compared to a loss of $36.0 million in 1989. Both 1989 periods include non-recurring charges of $23.5 million primarily related to operational restructuring.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 increased 5.2 percent to $90.2 million, compared to $85.7 million in 1989. The nine-month revenues rose to $280.1 million in 1990, up from $269.0 million in 1989. The revenue increases were primarily attributable to higher black and white copier sales to Savin dealers and revenue generated from the company's successful marketing of its full-color Prism(TM)I copier.

William T. Smith, vice chairman and chief operating officer, commented, "We feel that operating results should continue to remain positive as the company begins to benefit from its recent major account and General Services Administration contract awards. Approximately 4,000 copiers have recently been installed with the U.S. Navy under such contracts. Additionally, we are taking measures to reduce our costs and better position the company as we move into 1991."

Savin Corporation, founded in 1959, distributes a full line of officer copiers and facsimile products through a North American network of 10 company-owned branches and over 380 dealers at more than 500 selling and servicing locations. Savin is also a non-exclusive distributor of a full-color copier: the Prism(TM)I. Savin is the only distributor of copier products in North America offering the customer a choice of toner technologies.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - In view of continuing interest in the Fort Knox gold property by numerous major mining companies, and with a view to maximizing shareholder value, the board of directors has authorized the appointment of Yorkton Securities Inc. as the company's exclusive agent to prepare a comprehensive marketing document, to solicit and assess offers of interest, and to recommend a preferred course of action to the directors.

This process is intended to enable all interested parties to have an equal opportunity to present proposals including a possible tender for all of the common shares of the company.

The Fort Knox deposit is at the stage where the expertise and financial strength of a major mining company could enhance the expeditious and orderly development of this significant gold resource.

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DEARBORN, MICH. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS) today announced net income of $66.4 million, or 82 cents per share, before a write-down of $87.8 million, in the third quarter of 1990. Results for the quarter, including the write-down, were a net loss of $21.4 million, or 26 cents per share. Net income in the third quarter of 1989 was $68.2 million, or 83 cents per share.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $145 million, or $1.78 per share, compared with $237.8 million, or $2.89 per share, for the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the first nine months before the write-down was $232.8 million, down only 2 percent from 1989 totals. Net income before the write-down reflects increased electric sales, continued control of operations and maintenance expenditures and lower interest costs due to the company's ongoing capital refinancing program, offset by lower natural gas sales.

Operating revenue for the third quarter totaled $614.9 million compared with $569.1 million for the third quarter of 1989. Operating revenue totals for the first nine months of 1990 were $2.13 billion compared with $2.10 billion in the same period in 1989.

Electric sales were 7.8 billion kWh, up 0.7 percent for the third quarter of 1990 compared with 1989 despite cooler weather this summer. Electric sales for the first nine months of 1990 were 22.3 billion kWh, up 0.3 percent compared with 1989.

Natural gas deliveries were 26.9 bcf, down 1.1 percent in the third quarter and 185.8 bcf, down 5.7 percent for the first nine months of 1990 compared with 1989 due to warmer winter weather.

CMS Energy Corporation is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services. CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company,

Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth- largest combination utility.

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Two companies within Berwind Pharmaceutical Services Inc. (BPSI), the healthcare group of the Philadelphia-based Berwind Group, have merged.

The announcement was made today by BPSI President and Chief Executive Officer John J. Byrne Jr. The companies, GPS Pharmacy Services and Berwind Medical, will now be known as GPS HealthCare, with headquarters in Pottsville, Pa., and satellite locations around the tri-state area. Both organizations are accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditations of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO).

The focus for GPS HealthCare includes pharmacy services for nursing home and home-care patients in all age groups, high-tech therapies (both infusion and respiratory) and medical equipment and supplies. "We believe that this merger maximizes the strength of both companies, making GPS HealthCare the single most complete source of pharmaceutical services and home healthcare in the markets we serve," said Byrne. Presently, these markets include Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.

Prior to the merger, Berwind Medical offered respiratory and nutritional care for the homebound and nursing home patient as well as the distribution of durable medical supplies including wheelchairs, special beds and other rehabilitative equipment. GPS Pharmacy Services supplied more than 13,000 beds in various institutions with sophisticated in-house pharmacy programs and also offered infusion therapy for homebound patients. Both companies feature an extensive network of clinical, nursing and support staff. The combined sales of both companies are expected to exceed $25 million by the end of 1990.

Robert Peyakovich will remain as chief executive officer of GPS HealthCare. He most recently served in the same position for GPS Pharmacy Services. Vincent C. DiTrapano, R.Ph., also from GPS Pharmacy Services, becomes executive vice president and chief operating officer for GPS HealthCare. Additional officers are: Terry R. Huff, vice president, sales and marketing; Charles P. Feeney, vice president of professional support services; Theodore P. Heininger, vice president of finance and chief financial officer; and Robert A. Smith, corporate director of operations. It is expected that the merger of the two companies and the creation of GPS HealthCare will create some additional changes. Currently, the companies employ approximately 300 individuals including professional, service and support staff.

CONTACT: Terry R. Huff of GPS HealthCare, 717-622-3558

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WORCESTER, MA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The trustees of State Mutual Securities Trust (NYSE: SMS) (SMS) today declared a quarterly dividend of 26 cents per share payable Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 30, 1990.

SMS Trust, a closed-end diversified management investment company, was organized in 1973. Its primary investment objective is to provide a high rate of current income for distribution to shareholders. The company invests primarily in fixed-income securities. Its shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange with the symbol SMS.

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-30- 879

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Morton International (NYSE: MII), the world leader in the fast-growing market for automotive air bags, celebrated the production of its 3 millionth air bag inflator today. The event took place at the company's new plant in Brigham City, Utah. Morton International manufactures inflators and assembles modules for air bag systems.

"Every man and woman who works in this plant is entitled to a quiet moment of reflection on the many lives already saved by Morton air bag inflators made here in Utah," said Morton International President S. Jay Stewart. "By the end of this new decade, the lives saved by air bag technology will number in the thousands."

The new plant in Brigham City includes 13 acres of floor space under one roof which will be used for inflator assembly work.

Morton International's newest plant has about five times the capacity of the company's other air bag production facility in Ogden, Utah, which will remain in full operation. Other new facilities for producing the chemical materials used in the inflators are being added at the company's Promontory, Utah, plant. Sales of air bag inflators by Morton International have climbed 400 percent over the last two years, and company officers projected the opportunity for sales to reach $1 billion by 1995.

Morton International is the exclusive supplier of air bag inflators to Chrysler Corporation. They are also a major supplier to other U.S. auto manufacturers. Air bag inflators made by Morton in the United States also are

exported to Japan and Europe.

Under U.S. Department of Transportation regulations, all model year 1990 cars sold in this country are required to have a passive restraint system in the front seat. If car manufacturers choose an air bag to meet this requirement, it is only required on the driver's side until 1994 when air bags on the passenger side will be mandatory as well.

Morton International already produces both driver and passenger side inflatable restraint systems at the two Utah plants where employment has grown to approximately 1,200 people.

Headquartered in Chicago, Morton International produces specialty chemicals and salt as well as air bag inflators.

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HECTOR, MINN (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Communications Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSII) (CSI) today announced revenues and net income for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues from continuing operations for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $8,637,000 and $24,880,000 respectively, up 20 percent and 17 percent from the same periods in 1989.

Net income from continuing operations for the third quarter and nine months was $783,000 and $2,249,000 respectively, up 151 percent and 97 percent from the same periods in 1989.

Per share earnings from continuing operations for the third quarter and nine months were $.18 and $.51 compared to $.07 and $.26 for the similar periods in 1989.

Net income from discontinued telephone operations (which were distributed to CSI shareholders in the form of a stock dividend in August 1990) was $48,000 and $414,000 in the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively.

Net losses from discontinued telecommunications equipment operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $513,000 compared to a loss of $208,000 in the 1989 period. Results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 include a provision for additional future losses of $175,000, net of tax due primarily to product development costs and losses on disposal of certain assets the company will incur during the disposal period. Losses of $125,000 incurred by

the segment in the third quarter of 1990 were offset against reserves established by the company in the second quarter of 1990.

CSI, headquartered in Hector, Minn., is principally engaged in the manufacture and sale of connecting devices for telephone equipment.

CONTACT: Curtis A. Sampson, president; Paul N. Hanson, vice president-finance; or Avis J. Johnson, director shareholders relations, 612-848-6231, all of Communications Systems

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BLACKWOOD, N.J. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert G. Wallace, president of Drug Screening Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: DRUG) announced today that the board of directors voted and approved to extend the Stock Purchase Warrants from Nov. 28, 1990 to Nov. 28, 1991.

CONTACT: Robert G. Wallace, president of Drug Screening Systems, 609-228-8500; or Robert P. Zimmerman of Zimmerman Public Relations, 516-364-7634, for Drug Screening Systems

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Aura Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: AURA), a leader in magnetic suspension technology, "has in the past 90 days signed several million dollars of contracts with prominent industrial companies," Harry Kurtzman, president, said. "Earlier contracts with General Dynamics, Boeing and Litton are nearing completion and, along with those newly signed, have an annualized potential in full production quantities well in excess of $100 million," Kurtzman said. "We are confident of our technology and of our ability to control quality at high production levels, and believe much of what we term 'soft backlog' will translate into shipments beginning next year. Our shipment schedule assures profitability in 1991," he added.

The company also reported results for the second quarter which ended Aug. 31, 1990. "Second quarter losses were $898,945, or ($.04) per share, an improvement of about 50 percent when compared with the immediately preceding two quarters. This improving trend is expected to continue, leading to breakeven performance within quarters as the company begins work on the record $50 million backlog figure," according to Kurtzman.

For the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990 Aura reported revenues of $2,204,497 and a loss of $898,945, or ($.04) per share, compared with revenues of $2,384,842 and a net loss of $249,945, or ($.01) per share in the prior year second quarter.

For the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990 revenues were $3,778,148 and losses amounted to $2,656,750, or ($.12) per share, compared with revenues in the comparable prior year period of $4,462,176 and a loss of $646,194, or ($.03) per share.

AURA SYSTEMS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months		Six months	
Aug. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,204,497	$2,384,842	$3,778,148	$4,462,176
Cost and Expenses:				
Operating expenses	1,184,898	1,702,623	2,476,778	3,554,248
General and admin. exp.	798,556	786,906	1,588,581	1,250,780
Marketing and selling expenses	766,608	74,813	1,222,142	122,163
Research and devel.	220,293	134,594	899,945	281,106
Interest exp. (inc.) net	133,087	(64,149)	247,452	(99,927)
Total costs and exp.	3,103,442	2,634,787	6,434,898	5,108,370
Net (loss)	(898,945)	(249,945)	(2,656,750)	(646,194)
Net (loss) per com. share	(.04)	(.01)	(.12)	(.03)
Wtd. avg. shares used to compute net loss per share	22,102,445	20,322,854	22,102,445	20,322,854

CONTACT: Harry Kurtzman, president and CEO; Francis T. Phalen, senior vice president of Aura Systems, 213-643-5300; or Sherry Spalter of The Wall Street Group, 212-344-9131, for Aura Systems

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DALLAS (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Harken Energy Corporation ("Harken") (NYSE: HEC) of Dallas today announced that it has been informed by Frontier Holdings, Inc. ("FHI") that FHI is no longer willing to sell FHI's wholly-owned subsidiary, Frontier Oil Corporation, to Harken's wholly-owned subsidiary, E-Z Serve Holding Company, Inc., under the terms of a letter of intent previously announced on Oct. 2, 1990. As a result, negotiations between Harken and FHI concerning such transaction have terminated.

Harken Energy Corporation manages and develops energy assets. HEC retails, wholesales and distributes gasoline through its subsidiary, Harken Marketing Company. Through its subsidiary, Tejas Power Corporation, HEC constructs, owns and operates natural gas gathering, storage and transmission facilities in Texas and Louisiana and markets third party gas to a variety of end-users. HEC explores for, develops and produces oil and gas reserves domestically through its subsidiary Harken Exploration Company and internationally through its subsidiary Harken Bahrain Oil Company. HEC provides contract drilling and

workover/well services through its subsidiary, Harken Resource Management Corporation.

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-30- 1451

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Natural Gas Company (NYSE: CNG) reported today that net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $71.3 million, or 83 cents a share, compared with $92.5 million, or $1.12 a share, earned in the same period last year.

In the third quarter of 1990, Consolidated had a net loss of $22.3 million, or 26 cents a share, compared with a net loss of $19.5 million, or 24 cents a share in the third quarter of 1989. The company's gas utility operations normally experience a loss in the third quarter due to seasonally lower use of gas by customers in the summer months.

Commenting on the nine-month results, chairman and chief executive officer George A. Davidson, Jr., said the lower earnings are the result of abnormally warm weather early in the year. If the weather in Consolidated's retail service areas had been the same in 1990 as in last year's first nine months, earnings would have been some 30 cents a share higher. If weather had been normal in 1990, earnings would have been about 40 cents a share greater than the 83 cents a share reported this year.

Both the third quarter and the nine months were affected by higher interest costs, including the weather-related cost of carrying higher than normal inventories of stored gas. In addition, third quarter results were reduced by the one-time costs of merging the company's exploration and production subsidiaries.

On an operating income basis, the company's gas distribution utilities reported $54.4 million in the nine months compared with $66.2 million in 1989 and a loss of $10.5 million for the third quarter versus a loss of $13.0 million a year earlier. CNG's gas transmission operations had operating income of $44.3 million in the 1990 nine months compared with $49.3 million in 1989; and $11.4 million in the quarter compared with a year-earlier $14.3 million.

Higher prices for gas and oil helped operating income of the company's exploration and production operations. For the nine months, operating income increased to $40.0 million from $36.5 million. Third quarter operating income rose to $10.7 million from $6.2 million last year.

The company's average wellhead price for gas was $2.21 a thousand cubic feet in the first nine months, compared to $2.17 in 1989, while oil prices averaged

$18.55 a barrel versus $16.90 in last year's first nine months. Average wellhead gas prices in the third quarter were one cent higher at $2.08 a thousand cubic feet, and oil brought an average $21.65 a barrel compared to $17.52 in 1989.

Consolidated is one of the country's largest producers, transporters and distributors of natural gas.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - TransTechnology Corporation (NYSE: TT) today reported that increased second quarter earnings bolstered the company's return to profitability for continuing operations during the first half of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income from continuing operations for the second quarter was $952,000, or 19 cents per share, on revenues of $46,785,000. This compares with $120,000, or 2 cents per share, on $45,459,000 revenues in the same quarter of fiscal 1990. Costs and writedowns were recorded during the quarter associated with discontinued operations that included a pretax charge to earnings of $2.5 million resulting from a judgment related to the company's long-standing claim with the U.S. government. The $2.8 million award, including interest, fell short of the $5.3 million receivable previously recorded for this claim. The net loss for the quarter was $745,000, or 15 cents per share, compared with a loss of $802,000, or 16 cents per share, last year.

TransTechnology's earnings for the first half were $1,246,000, or 24 cents per share, from continuing operations on revenues of $89,968,000. This compares with a loss of $1,587,000, or 31 cents per share, on revenues of $86,685,000 in the first half of last year. Including discontinued operations, the net loss for the first half was $451,000, or 9 cents per share, versus a net loss of $4,163,000, or 81 cents per share, last year.

Chairman Dr. Arch Scurlock stated: "Results for the year thus far for our ongoing business demonstrate continuing improvement as the company rebounds from last year's losses. We expect that this trend will accelerate in the second half."

TransTechnology Corporation is a manufacturer of aerospace products, advanced-technology products and industrial products.

CONTACT: Lee M. Parker, vice president, TransTechnology Corporation, 703-836-4490

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BRANCHVILLE, N.J. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Selective Insurance Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: SIGI) today declared a quarterly common stock dividend of $.26 per share payable Dec. 1, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 15, 1990.

Selective Insurance Group, Inc. reported net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $6,581,000, compared to $8,845,000 in 1989 or $.51 per share versus $.66, respectively. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $22,784,000 or $1.76 per share, compared with $30,292,000 or $2.23 for the same period of 1989. The nine months earnings, excluding net realized gains on investments (net of tax effect), were $17,618,000 or $1.36 compared with $27,951,000 or $2.06 per share in 1989.

Net premiums written increased 2 percent year-to-date. Net investment income increased 7 percent during the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, to $47,393,000, up from $44,185,000 a year earlier.

The company had an underwriting loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $9,387,000 versus $5,841,000 for the same period of 1989. The underwriting loss for the nine months was $27,214,000, compared with $11,770,000 a year earlier.

The underwriting loss for both the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, reflects $2,756,000 and $6,780,000, respectively, for the New Jersey automobile surtax and assessments incurred as a result of legislation to fund the deficit of the Joint Underwriting Association. In addition to the surtax and assessment, underwriting losses continued during the third quarter of 1990 in private passenger and commercial automobile, homeowners and workers' compensation.

SELECTIVE INSURANCE GROUP, INC.

Quarter ended Sept. 30;	1990	1989
Revenues(A)	$132,535,000	$131,484,000
Net investment income	16,231,000	15,173,000
Capital gain (loss)	731,000	(21,000)
Net earnings per share:		
Primary	$.51	$.66
Fully diluted	$.49	$.62
Nine Months ended Sept. 30;	1990	1989
Revenues(A)	$398,279,000	$386,388,000
Net investment income	47,393,000	44,185,000
Capital gain	6,457,000	2,926,000
Net income	22,784,000	30,292,000
Net Earnings Per Share:		
Primary	$1.76	$2.23
Fully diluted	$1.68	$2.08

(A) -- Includes net investment income and capital gains as shown.

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HECTOR, MN (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Hector Communications Corp. (HCC) today announced revenues and net income for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $938,000 and $2,750,000, respectively, up eight percent and nine percent from the same periods in 1989.

Net income for the third quarter and nine months was $163,000 and $529,000, respectively, down 25 percent and two percent from the same periods in 1989. Per share earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $.07 and $.23, respectively.

Hector Communications Corporation is the company formed when Communications Systems, Inc. (CSI) (NASDAQ: CSII) spun-off its telephone operations via a stock dividend. Shareholders received one share of HCC stock for each two shares of CSI stock held on July 31, 1990. HCC stock traded separately from CSI on the NASDAQ national over-the-counter system effective Aug. 22, 1990.

HCC, headquartered in Hector, Minn., operates five independent telephone companies serving nine exchanges in rural Minnesota and Wisconsin, and is involved in other communications related ventures.

HECTOR COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY OF EARNINGS

	Three Months Ended		Percent Increase
	9/30/90	9/30/89	(Decrease)
Revenues	$938,295	$866,999	8
Income before income taxes	250,787	335,993	(25)
Income taxes	88,000	120,000	(27)
Net income	$162,787	$215,993	(25)
Net income per share	$.07	--	--
Average shares outstanding	2,254,000	--	--

	Nine Months Ended		Percent Increase
	9/30/90	9/30/89	(Decrease)
Revenues	$2,750,113	$2,512,675	9
Income before income taxes	843,339	852,800	(1)
Income taxes	314,000	310,000	1
Net income	$529,339	$542,800	(2)
Net income per share	$.23	--	--

Average shares outstanding	2,254,000	--	--

CONTACT: Steven H. Sjogren, Paul N. Hanson, or Avis J. Johnson, all of Hector Communications, (612) 848-6231.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - During the third quarter of 1990, Tasty Baking Co. (AMEX: TBC) completed the early retirement program previously announced in the first quarter of 1990.

The estimated provision in the first quarter was $8,200,000. With the successful completion of the program, an additional special pre-tax provision of $1,250,000 or 13 cents per share is reflected in the company's third quarter results. Also during the quarter, Phillips & Jacobs Inc. acquired Onondaga Litho Supply Co Inc., a well-respected upstate New York graphic arts distributor.

In the third quarter of 1990, the company realized net income of $1,081,000 or 17 cents per share, after the additional special provision of 13 cents per share, which compares to net income in 1989 of $2,286,000 or 36 cents per share.

For the 39-week period ended Sept. 29, 1990, excluding the effect of the special pre-tax provision which amounted to an aggregate of $9,450,000 or 92 cents per share, the company realized net income of $5,670,000 or 92 cents per share, which compares to net income in 1989 of $7,360,000 or $1.16 per share.

Consolidated net sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $69,666,000, which represented a five percent increase over the third quarter of 1989 consolidated net sales of $66,176,000. Consolidated net sales for the 39-week period ended Sept. 29, 1990, were $205,755,000, which represented a one percent increase over 1989's comparable period of $203,562,000.

Nelson G. Harris, president and chief executive officer, said, in a letter to shareholders, "The Tastykake Division experienced a slight increase in unit sales during the third quarter 1990 compared to the third quarter 1989. However, promotional and marketing support expenditures impacted net income during the quarter. Control of operating and fixed expenses continued to be effective during the quarter. Commodity prices were also stable when compared to the third quarter of 1989."

Harris further stated, "Management continues its efforts toward the development of products which satisfy the nutritional concerns of its consumers. The direct marketing program, whereby Tastykake products can be sent anywhere in the continental United States, continues to grow popular with consumers."

CONTACT: Donnalyn Pompper of Tasty Baking Co., (215) 221-8784.

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WALTHAM, MA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Cabot Corporation (NYSE: CBT) today reported income applicable to primary common shares of $67.2 million, or $2.73 per share, for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $14.2 million, or 55 cents per share, last year. Net sales and other operating revenues in fiscal year 1990 were $1.7 billion compared with $1.9 billion in 1989.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Cabot reported net income applicable to primary common shares of $9.2 million, or 37 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $44.3 million, or $1.79 per share, last year. Revenues were $399.9 million compared with $445.4 million last year.

Income for Cabot's 1989 fiscal year included charges totaling $63.8 million reflecting a loss from restructuring of the company's energy business and a series of other charges. Partially offsetting those charges last year was a $24.6 million gain on the sale of Cabot's remaining interest in an Indiana-based superalloys manufacturer. If those fourth quarter charges and gains were excluded, the company would have reported income of $53.4 million, or $2.07 per share, for fiscal year 1989, and a net loss of $5.1 million, or 21 cents per share, for last year's fourth quarter.

Exclusive of the fourth quarter charges and gains recorded last year, total operating profit advanced 20 percent in the 1990 fiscal year to $190.2 million from $158.9 million in 1989. Again excluding those charges and gains, operating profit advanced 51 percent in the energy segment and 13 percent in the specialty chemical segment.

Earlier this week, the company announced plans to offer to its shareholders the opportunity to exchange shares of Cabot common stock for the shares of Cabot Oil & Gas common stock beneficially owned by Cabot. For fiscal year 1990, Cabot Oil & Gas contributed $14.2 million in pre-tax operating profit.

Cabot Corporation is a Fortune 300 company, headquartered in Waltham, Mass., with operations in Specialty Chemicals and Materials, and Energy.

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BOISE, IDAHO (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Morrison Knudsen Corp. (NYSE: MRN), meeting today, declared a cash dividend of 37 cents per share,

payable Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record Nov. 14, 1990.

The dividend is the fourth declared this year at the 37-cent rate.

CONTACT: Jess Hawley of Morrison Knudsen Corp., 208-386-5000

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DENVER (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The opening of markets around the world opens new opportunities for insurance companies that should be taken advantage of by U.S. companies said Henry G. Parker III, a managing director of Chubb & Son Inc.

Parker made his remarks, "Globalization of the Insurance Industry - Its Consequences for Insurance Markets, Brokers and Risk Managers," at a keynote address before the Colorado Chapter of the Society of Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriters in Denver.

Parker said that as trade barriers are rolled back around the world, insurance companies stand to gain from investments abroad. "Unfortunately, of the more than 5,000 insurance companies and groups in the U.S., only about 50 of these do any work outside the U.S., and of these 50 only a handful are truly global underwriting and servicing facilities," Parker said.

Parker pointed out that overseas investments by U.S. insurance companies totals some $11 billion or about three percent of all U.S. foreign investments and has a reate of return of 16.4 percent and is growing.

"And with U.S. property/casualty insurance premiums growth last year at only 2.1 percent, compared to Asia growing at 23 percent annually and Europe somewhat lower than that, the real growth potential for U.S. insurance companies is overseas."

Parker attributes the reticence of companies to expand overseas to a number of factors, including lack of long range vision, failure to realize the U.S. premium market is shrinking as a percent of world market and immediate pressure to produce improved quarterly earnings.

"Two of the major markets for growth in the insurance industry are Europe and the Pacific Rim," Parker said. With the coming of the open European Community after 1992, a $4 trillion regional economy will open up to the U.S.

The European Community is America's chief trading partner, accounting for $145 billion annually in combined imports and exports. "This is more than either Canada or Japan, and if we include the output of U.S. owned companies in Europe and European-owned firms here, the size of the relationship is $1 trillion a year," Parker said. "In addition, the opportunities in Japan for

expansion are mind boggling, with premium growth significantly higher than in the U.S."

Parker pointed out that to effectively penetrate the Japanese market, insurance companies must be able to produce a differentiated product that they can not already get from a larger and better known Japanese company.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - B'nai B'rith International today deplored the remarks made by President Bush to the effect that Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein has taken actions even worse than some of those of Adolf Hitler.

B'nai B'rith International President Kent E. Schiner said: "Both from historical and moral points of view, the president's remarks are mistaken and most unfortunate. Even in the limited context to which Mr. Bush referred, Nazi policies of seizing and executing innocent hostages -- both Jewish and non-Jewish -- in reprisal actions, as well as Gestapo harassment of foreign diplomats who tried to save Jews, are well documented.

"More disturbing, however, is the facile rhetorical tendency to lump all evil in the category of Adolf Hitler and his genocide machine. The Holocaust was -- and remains -- unique in world history, and glib comparisons do a disservice to the memory of the victims of World War II; nor are they helpful to the effort to place in proper perspective the current valiant and admirable efforts of the international community to stop the brutal and dangerous Iraqi strongman from unleashing his potentially horrible weapons of destruction."

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RICHMOND, VA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Richfood Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: RCHFA) today announced net earnings of $2.06 million, or $.20 per share, for the twelve-week period ended October 13, 1990, compared to earnings from continuing operations of $352,000, or $.03 per share, in the comparable period ended October 14, 1989. After accounting for discontinued operations, net earnings were $166,000, or $.02 per share, in the comparable prior year period. Net sales for the second quarter were $235.4 million, compared to $230.6 million for the comparable prior year period.

For the 24-week period ended October 13, 1990, the Company reported net earnings of $3.93 million, or $.38 per share, compared to earnings from

continuing operations of $480,000 ($.05 per share) for the comparable prior year period. Prior year losses from discontinued operations were $680,000, resulting in a prior year net loss of $200,000, or $.02 per share. Year-to-date net sales were $473.1 million, compared to net sales from continuing operations of $477.0 million last year. Year-to-date net sales for the prior year includes $12.0 million from the previously terminated supply relationship with A & P/Super Fresh.

Donald D. Bennett, President and Chief Executive Officer, said: "Our second quarter performance continues the positive trend in our business and operating results that began in the fourth quarter of our last fiscal year. Cost of goods sold as a percentage of sales increased slightly in the current quarter as we took advantage of buying opportunities prior to the important holiday selling season and passed these savings on to our retail customers. We continue to market aggressively to increase our sales base.

"Operating and administrative expenses declined to 5.96 percent of net sales in the current quarter from 6.55 percent in the prior year quarter as we continue to closely monitor our costs and increase productivity. Institutional borrowings were reduced from $73.9 million a year ago to $14.8 million at October 13, 1990, allowing us to reduce interest expense in the current quarter to .26 percent of net sales from .79 percent of sales in the prior year quarter."

Mr. Bennett added: "We are continuing to improve our purchasing capabilities, advertising capabilities, and the design and packaging of our popular private label products. In addition, we recently completed a conversion to a 'cost plus' system for pricing product to our customers. This system will rationalize our pricing policies and will be coupled with more competitively priced merchandise to put the independent retailer in a far stronger market position. Our objective is to enhance the Company's market position by enhancing the business of our independent retailers."

Richfood previously announced on October 9, 1990, that it had reached an agreement with Fleming Companies, Inc. to acquire certain assets of the Fleming Division operating in Waynesboro, Virginia. Mr. Bennett commented on the acquisition: "This is another positive development for Richfood. The transaction allows us to increase our sales volume from our existing marketing area with minimal incremental costs. We will begin a phase-in of service to Fleming's former customers in November. The full impact of increased sales and earnings is expected to be realized in the fourth quarter of the fiscal year."

Richfood is the largest wholesale food distributor serving its Mid-Atlantic operating region. It supplies over 600 supermarkets with a complete line of grocery products, frozen foods, dairy, fresh produce and meats.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that the initial public offering of Hallwood Realty Partners, L.P. of Dallas, began trading 9,359,575 units of limited partnership interests today on a "when issued" basis. Hallwood Realty Partners is a recently-formed master limited partnership that was organized to consolidate eight limited partnerships sponsored by Equitec Financial Group, Inc., into a single, publicly traded entity.

Trading under ticker symbol HRY.WI, the units opened on 23,500 units at 6-1/2.

Hallwood Realty Partners, organized in January 1990, will be a diversified real estate activities partnership. The partnership will acquire, own, operate and manage commercial office buildings, industrial and retail real estate and other real estate related assets, and participate in other real estate enterprises. Hallwood Realty Partners initially will own, operate and manage 27 properties located in 12 states.

The general partner of Hallwood Realty Partners is Hallwood Realty Corporation a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Hallwood Group Incorporated (NYSE: HWG), a merchant banking company.

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WINSTON-SALEM, NC (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Health Equity Properties Incorporated (NYSE: EQP) announced today that for the nine month period ended Septmber 30, 1990, both operating losses and cash flow are at anticipated levels. The company completed the nine months ending September 30, 1990 with an anticipated net loss before extraordinary items of $2,325,119, compared with net loss before extrarodinary items of $1,360,787 for the same period of 1989. Net loss for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 was $2,665,972 (or ($0.72) per common share), compared with net loss of $868,786 (or ($0.24) per common share). Net cash flow from operations for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 was a positive $4,306,922 (or $1.17 per common share) compared with a positive $4,674,115 (or $1.29 per common share) for the same period of 1989.

Historically, one of the primary benefits to be gained from the ownership of real estate through a real estate invesment trust (REIT) is that a portion of the dividend yield is classified as return of capital and is not, therefore, taxable. Management estimates that the company's entire current dividend will

be a return of capital during 1990. It does not appear that this very positive tax benefit was in any way affected by recent changes in tax laws passed by Congress.

As a real estate investment trust (REIT), Health Equity Properties' funds available for dividend payments and portfolio reinvestment are determined by cash flow levels, not net income. The Company's primary business is to acquire depreciable assets, which as a result, produce large non-cash charges against income. Accordingly, the Company's commitment to its shareholders is to provide tax sheltered cash flow.

Based in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Health Equity Properties owns 76 nursing home facilities with a total of 5,043 beds. The company is managed by a ten member board of directors, six of whom are independent from the Company.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - At the quarterly meeting of the board of directors of Haverty Furniture Companies Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HAVT HAVTA) held today in Atlanta, the directors declared a cash dividend on the two classes of $1 par value common stock of the corporation, payable Nov. 23 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 12, at a rate of 9-1/2 cents per share on the outstanding shares of common stock (Cusip No. 419596 10 1) and 9 cents per share on the outstanding shares of Class A common stock (Cusip No. 419596 20 0).

Haverty's opened its newest retail unit on Oct. 27 in Lewisville, Texas. The company currently operates 87 retail furniture showrooms in 10 states throughout the Southeast and Southwest. Haverty's two classes of common stock are quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbols HAVT and HAVTA.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - In connection with the signing of an agreement yesterday by the Student Loan Marketing Association (Sallie Mae) (NYSE: SLM) and the Department of Education (Department), the Department and Sallie Mae have nominated members to a new board of directors for the Higher Education Assistance Foundation (HEAF).

The board of directors will provide policy oversight of HEAF operations and corporate governance during the winding down period.

The board nominees are: Gary M. Cook, managing partner of Kimbrel & Cook, a Denver merchant banking company; John F. dePodesta, partner in the Washington office of Philadelphia-based law firm Pepper, Hamilton & Scheetz; Dr. Edward H. Jennings, professor of finance, The Ohio State University; James E. Murray, partner in the Washington office of New York-based law firm Brown & Wood; Lt. Gen. Frank E. Peterson, USMC retired, director, education and development, E.I. DuPont Company; and Robert A. Stein, dean, University of Minnesota Law School.

The Definitive Agreement, signed yesterday by Sallie Mae and the Department, provides that Sallie Mae will manage the three-year winding down of HEAF, as agreed in principle in late September. Sallie Mae has established a new, special purpose subsidiary to provide managem ent services to HEAF.

In accordance with the terms of the Agreement, the subsidiary, Minnesota Guarantor Servicing, Inc., will provide various management services to HEAF, among them processing of insurance claims; collection efforts against defaulted borrowers on HEAF-guaranteed loans; and the transfer of HEAF's approximately $9.5 billion guarantee portfolio to other guarantor agencies. Neither Sallie Mae nor the subsidiary will serve as a loan guarantor.

Heading the new subsidiary as president will be Richard J. Boyle. A four-year Sallie Mae veteran who has most recently served as the corporation's vice president of customer service, Boyle joined the corporation as vice president of sales.

Sallie Mae, a federally chartered, stockholder-owned (NYSE) corporation, is the major financial intermediary serving the education finance market. By buying insured student loans and providing other financial services to financial and educational institutions, Sallie Mae replenishes local supplies of student credit. The corporation owns nearly 30 percent of all guaranteed student loans outstanding today.

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WARMINSTER, PA. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Fischer & Porter Co. (AMEX: FP) today reported sales of $62,570,000 and a net loss of $1,940,000 or $.38 per share for the third quarter of 1990.

In the comparable quarter of 1989, sales were $58,703,000 with net income of $1,425,000 or $.26 per share. Sales increased mainly as a result of differences in currency exchange rates used in the respective periods for

sales of International units. At comparable exchange rates the company would have reported a sales decline of $1.6 million. The lack of any real sales growth was the principal factor contributing to the decline in earnings, along with increased interest expense due to higher debt levels.

For the first nine months of 1990 the company incurred a net loss of $1,571,000 or $.34 per share on sales of $175,029,000. Sales of $164,660,000 in 1989 produced net income of $1,490,000 or $.24 per share. Although reported sales increased over the prior year, at comparable currency exchange rates sales would have declined $1 million. The absence of sales growth was compounded by higher expenses producing a substantially lower pretax income than in 1989. The unusual effective tax rate was caused by losses in certain countries without any tax benefit.

Orders received for the first nine months of 1990 were $189 million compared to $170 million in 1989. Orders in the United States declined $3.7 million. For the third quarter, orders were $56.5 million in 1990 and $51 million in 1989. All of the increase was in International. The backlog of orders at the end of September 1990 was $75.5 million compared to $61.5 million at Dec. 31, 1989, and $81.5 million at June 30, 1990. The decline in the third quarter occurred in the United States. The level of orders received so far in 1990 and expected in the near term are less than previously anticipated, particularly in the United States. The company is aggressively pursuing various cost cutting and cash generating options which are available in order to minimize the impact of the economic slowdown which currently exists.

All per-share amounts in the prior year have been restated to reflect the 5 percent stock dividend paid in April 1990.

Fischer & Porter Co. is a world leader in measurement and control technologies.

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MIAMI (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Bob McCurry expects Toyota to sell 130,000 1991 Toyota Tercel subcompact sedans, up from about 100,000 for the 1990 model.

Tercel signifies "the death of the econobox and the birth of an entry-level sedan with high-tech, high mileage and Toyota quality," the executive vice president of Toyota Motor Sales, Inc., U.S.A., told reporters at the Tercel press introduction here.

The new base Tercel's 33/37 city/highway mileage beats last year's 31/36 EPA rating, McCurry said. Its base price remains unchanged at $6,488, making the Tercel 2-door sedan the lowest priced car with a trunk sold in the U.S.

At $7,898, the Tercel 4-door Deluxe Sedan is the lowest priced 4-door sedan in the U.S. from a volume Japanese manufacturer.

McCurry expects Tercel sales to increase because of its uplevel sedan styling, increased interior and cargo space, increased horsepower and quieter ride.

However, he said, competitors in the congested entry-level segment are "saddled with value packages and incentives right out of the starting gate."

Toyota will increase U.S. production next year, McCurry said. Currently about 30 percent of the Toyota vehicles sold here are North American-built.

Toyota has added 64 more Toyota dealers, one-third of them in the Midwest, he said.

The seven Toyota dealers in South Florida increased their car sales by 23 percent over last year, McCurry pointed out, they account for nearly 12 percent of the new car market, based on registrations through August.

Nationally, Toyota's total car share including Lexus Division is 9 percent through September, McCurry said, up from 6.8 percent for the first nine months of last year.

The Iraq/Kuwait conflict could further aggravate the current industry downturn he said.

"But our current performance in a market that has slowed down most of our competitors makes me believe that Toyota can continue to gain share, even if the market gets tougher," McCurry said.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - EDS and Continental Airlines Holdings, Inc. (CTA) today announced that they have mutually agreed to modify their business relationship.

A variety of factors, including the fuel crisis facing the airline industry and legal challenges to the proposed transaction by IBM Credit Corporation, have led the companies to end negotiations of the multifaceted business relationship previously announced.

The companies are continuing discussions related to establishing a significant

relationship focused on facilities management and a possible joint marketing arrangement between EDS and System One, CTA's technology services subsidiary and intend to continue their existing interim management contract.

"We all want to take advantage of the strong working relationships that have been forged over the past year to bring value to the airline and travel industries," said Jose Ofman, president of EDS' Transportation Division. "EDS remains committed to delivering a full range of state-of-the-art computer and communications services in those markets."

"It is unfortunate that outside pressures beyond our control have created the necessity to modify our relationship," said System One Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Richard E. Murray. "The alternatives now being discussed will bring benefit to our customers and to our companies."

System One is a computer automation services company, providing worldwide information management, data processing and telecommunications services to the airline and travel-related industries. A subsidiary of Continental Airlines Holdings, Inc. of Houston, System One is the world's largest supplier of computerized reservations, flight operations and passenger handling systems, serving nearly 8,000 travel agency and airline customers.

EDS has operations in 27 countries and is the leader in providing information technology services to customers around the world. Stock reflecting EDS' performance is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

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MARLTON, NJ (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Industrial Training Systems Corp. (NASDAQ: ITSC), the Marlton-based producer and marketer of occupational health, safety and environmental training materials, today reported a first quarter loss of $33,500 or 3 cents per share, on revenues of $1,065,000, as compared to a loss of $21,400 or 2 cents per share, on revenues of $791,000 recorded for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

In September 1990, ITS Corp. terminated its Canadian independent distributor, purchased certain of its assets, and commenced the direct sale of products in Canada. In connection with a detailed review of the books, records and accounts of the Canadian operation, the company has taken a one-time first quarter charge against Canadian receivables of $51,600. In addition, the company expensed travel and legal fees of approximately $11,000 in connection with this matter. These charges, which are included in selling, general and administrative expenses, reduced net income by approximately $37,700 or 3

cents per share in the quarter.

The company said strong Canadian regulatory climate and the market's demonstrated acceptance of video training products to comply with government regulation makes Canada a natural extension of ITS Corp. North American operations, and many of its products are accepted equally well in Canada as they are in the United States. Other training products, such as those for "WHMIS," hazard communications training and "Bill 208," the worker's right to act training are unique to the Canadian market.

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LOWELL, MASS. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Courier Corporation (NASDAQ: CRRC) announced today that it has signed a letter of intent to sell a 9.5-acre industrial site located in downtown Lowell to Tenaska Mass, Inc., a Nebraska-based developer of energy cogeneration projects.

The site, located on French Street, is currently leased to North American Directory Corporation, Courier's former telephone directory manufacturing joint venture, which recently announced intentions to begin moving its manufacturing operations to Pennsylvania sometime in 1991.

According to Courier, its transaction with Tenaska Mass calls for a purchase price of approximately $4 million. Closing is contingent upon a number of legal environmental and regulatory issues and is not expected until 1992.

Courier Chairman James F. Conway, Jr., revealed that Tenaska Mass plans to develop an energy cogeneration plant on a portion of the French Street site, with the remaining land being donated by Tenaska for the possible future home of an 8,000-seat arena/auditorium complex which would house the University of Lowell's athletic and recreational programs and also serve as a civic center conventions and conferences, trade shows and entertainment programs for the city of Lowell. Studies are underway to determine the feasibility of developing the arena/auditorium project. No timetable has been announced.

According to Conway, "The sale of the French Street property will represent two important achievements for us. First, selling this property has been an ongoing goal of Courier's asset-management strategy, and we are pleased to have indentified a viable purchaser and begun that process on behalf of the company and its shareholders. We are also gratified that the site will continue to be an important contributor to the local economy through the construction of a needed energy source. In addition, we are also pleased to have had the opportunity to be part of a process that could lead to the French Street site becoming a home to a showcase facility that will produce

significant benefits for the Lowell community and for the entire region."

Courier Corporation, headquartered in Lowell, Mass., is an international producer of books, Bibles, reference texts, directories, technical manuals and software documentation. The company operates subsidiaries in Westford and Stoughton, Mass.; Philadelphia, Pa.; and Kendallville, Ind. Its international operations are based outside of London in the United Kingdom.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Motor Products, Inc. (NYSE: SMP), automotive replacement parts manufacturer, reported today that sales for the third quarter, the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $133,043,000 compared with $110,245,000 a year ago. Net income was $2,547,000, or 20 cents per share, compared to last year's $3,950,000, or 30 cents per share.

Sales for the nine months totaled $394,460,000 compared with $323,246,000 in the 1989 period. Net income for the nine months was $6,777,000, or 52 cents per share, compared with $12,499,000, or 95 cents per share, for the same period last year.

Commenting on the results for the third quarter, Lawrence Sills, president, stated that net income for the period included a substantial insurance recovery relating to hurricane damage of the company's Puerto Rico plant last year. Also reflected in third quarter earnings was a decrease in estimated tax rate for the year from 26 percent to 19 percent.

Net income from operations was slightly below the 10 cents per share reported in the second quarter of this year. Sills stated that the decrease in net operating income from the comparable period last year was again largely attributable to continuing write-offs related to inventories and accounts receivable as well as charges pertaining to the Guaranteed Parts/Sorensen acquisition.

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LAUREL, MD. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - F&E Resource Systems Technology, Inc., (FERST), publicly traded over-the-counter (pink sheets), announced that its

subsidiary, FERST for Baltimore, Inc. today received its Air Quality Permit to Construct from the state of Maryland for a 700 ton-per-day recycling and composting facility to be built in Baltimore.

The company previously announced agreements with Chrysler Capital Corporation and John Hancock Resource Development, Inc. for equity and debt placement totaling $39 million. Likewise, previously announced was a letter of intent with Browning-Ferris Industries for a long term contract to supply waste to the facility, and the receipt of its Solid Waste Management Permit to Construct.

FERST has already received the required local "use permit." This is the final state environmental permit required for the project construction," said Ron Pickett, president of FERST. "We project can now define our construction schedule and proceed to financial closing." The Maryland Energy Finance Administration has induced $32 million in tax-exempt bond financing for the project.

The project is expected to break ground in the near future and be fully operational by early 1992, recycling 120,000 tons per year of materials which are currently landfilled. The plant will be the first of its kind in the United States, combining recycling and composting under one roof in a fully enclosed facility.

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CONCORD, CALIF. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Altima Systems Inc. and Ingram Micro D of Santa Ana, Calif., have announced a distribution agreement under which Ingram Micro D will sell Altima Systems' 386SX-based laptop portable computers nationwide.

Included in the distribution agreement are the Altima Three, a 386SX-based, full-featured, VGA laptop in both 40 and 80 megabyte configurations, and the Altima NSX, a 9.3 pound notebook computer with a 386SX processor, VGA display, 20 megabyte hard disk drive, and built-in modem complete with send fax mode.

Mike Fracisco, Altima Systems' vice president of marketing, is pleased with the agreement. "The addition of Ingram Micro D to Altima's U.S. distribution base will give Altima wide mainstream visibility, and provide access to Altima's machines for a large number of chains and franchises," said Fracisco.

Ingram Micro D joins national distributor Gates/FA, based in Greenville, S.C., as an authorized Altima distributor, along with regional distributors DSS, of Vienna, Va., and Compudyne of Southfield, Mich.

Altima will exhibit the entire family of laptop computers at Booth W118 in the West Hall of the Las Vegas Convention Center at COMDEX Fall, Nov. 12-16, 1990.

Altima Systems Inc. is a manufacturer of top-quality, full-featured, value-priced portable computers, backed by full one-year warranties and serviced by the Dow Jones Nationwide Service Network. For more information, or for the name of the nearest authorized Altima distributor, contact Altima Systems Inc., 1390 Willow Pass Road, Suite 1050, Concord, CA 94520. Call 415-356-5600, or the national toll-free number, 800-356-9990.

CONTACT: Mike Fracisco of Altima Systems Inc., 415-356-5600; Nancy Comstock of Comstock Communications, 415-799-7711, for Altima Systems Inc.; or Wayne Stewart of Ingram Micro D, 714-540-4781

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Mellon Bank Corp. (NYSE: MEL), Transamerica Premier Insurance Services Inc. and attorney Howard A. Specter of Specter Law Offices P.C. today announced a tentative agreement with class plaintiffs to resolve claims regarding collateral protection insurance obtained by Mellon Bank.

Collateral protection insurance is property coverage obtained by retail lenders when borrowers fail to maintain coverage in accordance with lending agreements. Paid by the borrower, it is designed to protect loan collateral -- such as automobiles -- from an uninsured loss.

Mellon estimates that approximately 5 percent of its automobile loan borrowers are covered by collateral protection insurance.

The tentative settlement, which would create a $6.275 million settlement fund, leaves intact the basic collateral protection insurance program in which Mellon and Transamerica Premier participate.

Under the settlement, two coverages challenged by the plaintiffs -- known as the premium deficiency coverage endorsement and the conversion and confiscation protection endorsement -- will be cancelled and the premiums refunded.

The settlement is contingent on resolution by the Pennsylvania Insurance Department of administrative actions by the department against Transamerica Premier and Mellon, and approval of the U.S. District Court. On May 31, 1990, the district court issued an injunction to stop the administrative action against Mellon.

Insurance coverages in question were offered with the approval of the Pennsylvania Insurance Department and the coverages were obtained by Mellon from Transamerica Premier on policies issued between 1987 and early 1989. Mellon discontinued obtaining the premium deficiency and conversion and confiscation coverages prior to the filing of the class action suit.

Upon resolution of the administrative issues, the tentative agreement will be filed in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania in Pittsburgh for approval.

CONTACT: Thomas W. Butch of Mellon Bank, 412-234-6436; Curtiss Olsen of Transamerica Premier, 818-596-5918; or Howard A. Specter of Specter Law Offices P.C., 412-642-2300

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ATLANTA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced today that an Interim Action Record of Decision (ROD) has been signed for containment of the contaminated groundwater plume at the Petroleum Products Corp. Superfund site in Hollywood, Fla.

EPA, in consultation with the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation, selected this interim action to prevent lead and volatile organic compounds from migrating into drinking water wells in the area. The interim action consists of plugging non-operating or damaged water and monitoring wells; redirecting drainage from the site; closing culvert drainage wells and increasing the capacity of the existing waste oil recovery system.

The action will reduce the amount of waste oil in the water table while EPA completes its investigation of soil and groundwater contamination and selects a final cleanup remedy for the site. Increasing the capacity of the waste oil recovery system will aid in the recapture of waste oil from the underlying groundwater. Recovery wells could be utilized later in the event a large scale groundwater pump-and-treat system is constructed on site. These wells could also be used as monitoring locations to assess groundwater contamination in the area.

The estimated cost of this interim action will be approximately $743,000. This amount includes operation and maintenance at the site.

The site is located approximately 1.5 miles north of the Broward/Dade county line in Hollywood, Fla. The site overlies the Biscayne Aquifer, one of the largest aquifers in the world. The aquifer provides for two major municipal well fields that supply water to residences and businesses which are also located near the site.

CONTACT: Rose Jackson, community relations, 404-347-2643, or Charlis Thompson

404-347-3004, both of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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MINNEAPOLIS, (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Metropolitan Financial Corporation (NYSE: MFC) announced today that Paul A. Lipetzky has been elected the president and chief operating officer of the company.

Lipetzky joined Metropolitan Financial Corporation in September of 1988 after a 17-year career with the accounting firm of Ernst and Young, where he had been an audit partner with the Minneapolis office. Lipetzky had served as Metropolitan's executive vice president and chief financial officer. In that capacity he managed the company's accounting and finance functions and merger and acquisition activity. In his new roles, Lipetzky will oversee the consolidated operations of the Minneapolis-based financial services holding company.

Norman Jones commented, "Since joining Metropolitan, Paul Lipetzky has directed the significant growth that we have experienced at the consolidated entity. In his new role he will assume the responsibility of managing the activities of the company on a day-to-day basis, while continuing to position the company for additional growth in this challenging environment."

Lipetzky and his wife, Carol, have four children and reside in Edina, Minn.

Norman Jones also reported that Lipetzky has been appointed to the office of the chairman which will include Norman Jones, chairman and chief executive officer of Metropolitan Financial Corporation, Charles "Bud" Kalil, corporate secretary and executive vice president of Metropolitan Financial Corporation, Paul Lipetzky, chief operating officer and president of Metropolitan Financial Corporation, and Stan Dardis, chief executive officer and president of Metropolitan Federal Bank. Jones, Kalil, and Dardis are all residents of Fargo, N.D.

In other action, the board of Metropolitan Financial Corporation has named Stan K. Dardis chief executive officer of Metropolitan Federal bank, a $4 billion regional financial institution. Dardis assumes the role of chief executive officer in addition to his duties as the president and chief operating officer of the bank. Dardis was named president of the bank in October of 1989.

Norman M. Jones, chairman of the board of directors and chief executive officer of Metropolitan Financial Corporation, the bank's holding company parent, noted, "Stan Dardis' election recognizes the significant leadership role that he has played in the bank's recent growth and the key role we expect him to play as the bank continues to expand and maximize the opportunities afforded it throughout its region."

Dardis joined Metropolitan in April of 1986 as its executive vice president of banking services after a 10-year career with Norwest Bank Corporation. He was named to the board of directors of Metropolitan Financial Mortgage Corporation the bank's mortgage banking subsidiary, in 1988 and, in December of 1989, he was elected to the bank's board of directors.

Dardis, a Killdeer, N.D.-native is a graduate of North Dakota State University Fargo. He is a past president of the North Dakota State University Alumni Association and currently serves on the board of directors of Dakota Hospital, Fargo. He and his wife, Sharon, have three children and reside in south Fargo.

Metropolitan Financial Corporation is one of this nation's 50 largest savings institutions. At Sept. 30, 1990 total assets of the company exceeded $4.1 billion. Its savings bank subsidiary, Metropolitan Federal Bank, operates 110 branches in 92 communities in the states of North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Arizona. The bank exceeds all the current and fully phased in capital requirements and its level of capital to risk adjusted assets is one of the highest in the nation for a company of its size. MFC's mortgage banking subsidiary, Metropolitan Financial Mortgage Corporation, St. Paul, Minn., is the Twin Cities largest originator of single family mortgage loans, and its real estate sales and brokerage company, Edina Realty, is Minnesota's largest home seller. The company's common and preferred stock trade on the New York Stock Exchange, the common under the symbol MFC.

CONTACT: Bill Bartkowski of Metropolitan Financial Corporation, 612-339-8859

-30- 4429

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PRESTON, MD. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Preston Corporation (NASDAQ: PTRK) announced today that its board of directors approved a regular quarterly dividend of 12.5 cents per share payable on Jan. 31, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: W.E. Lyons of Preston, 301-673-7151

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ATLANTA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Atlanta Gas Light Company (NYSE: ATG) today declared a quarterly dividend of 51 cents per share on its common stock, an increase of two cents over the previous quarter, and dividends on its preferred stock as prescribed in each issue.

Payment will be made on Dec. 1 to shareholders of record on Nov. 23. The dividend declared on common stock equates to $2.04 on an annualized basis. The company has paid a dividend every quarter since it again became a publicly

held utility in 1947. The December dividend will be the 172nd consecutive dividend paid.

The board also released audited results for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, which reflected operating revenues of $1,000,897,000 compared with $938,647,000 for fiscal 1989. Net income for the period was $49,444,000 before a one-time charge of $3,804,000, net of income tax, resulting from a recent decision of the Georgia Public Service Commission (Georgia Commission). Net income after the one-time charge was $45,640,000 compared with $42,100,000 in fiscal 1989. Earnings per share were $2.20 before the one-time charge of 18 cents per share reduced earnings per share to $2.02 compared with $1.90 for the previous year. The decision of the Georgia Commission, in connection with its approval of an increase in annual revenues to the company of $19,773,000 effective Oct. 1, results in the company providing to its customers the benefit of a pension gain of $3,804,000 recognized by the company in fiscal 1989. The benefit of the pension gain will be approximately $300,000 per year, net of income tax, over a 12-year period. There is no cash impact in fiscal 1990 from the regulatory requirement and the company does not expect a significant impact on the results of operations during the 12-year period.

Results for the fourth quarter, the three months ended Sept. 30, showed a net loss of $9,832,000 or $.46 per share. This compares with a net loss of $215,000 or $.03 per share of common stock for the same quarter in 1989. The increased net loss and loss per share for the quarter were primarily attributable to the one-time charge of $3,804,000 pursuant to the decision of the Georgia Commission as previously discussed.

Atlanta Gas Light Company is the largest natural gas distribution company in the Southeast. The company, which also operates under the trade names Georgia Natural Gas Company and Savannah Gas Company, serves more than 1.1 million residential, commercial and industrial customers in 225 Georgia communities including metro Atlanta, Athens, Augusta, Brunswick, Macon, Rome, Savannah and Valdosta. Chattanooga Gas Company, a wholly owned subsidiary, serves approximately 35,000 customers in Chattanooga and Cleveland, Tenn., and surrounding areas.

CONTACT: Ross Willis of Atlanta Gas Light Company, 404-584-3769

-30- 3085

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DALLAS (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - BancTec Inc. (NASDAQ: BTEC) announced that the company has initiated a program to repurchase shares of its common stock from holders of fewer than 100 shares of BancTec common stock. In addition the company said that it may, from time to time, purchase additional shares in the over-the-counter market or through privately negotiated transactions.

BancTec Inc. provides computerized systems for processing financial transactions, including checks, remittance advices, sales drafts and giro documents. BancTec designs, manufactures, markets and services products that employ optical character recognition, magnetic ink character recognition and image processing technologies to read, digitize, encode, sort and process financial documents.

CONTACT: G.W. Mayland of BancTec Inc., 214-450-7753

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#90306p2934 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp. (NYSE: CDE) today reported third quarter 1990 net income of $448,000, equivalent to 5 cents per share. For the same period in 1989, net income was $1,837,000, equivalent to 18 cents per share. Total revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $17,117,000 compared to $24,294,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, Coeur d'Alene Mines recorded net income of $3,597,000, equivalent to 36 cents per share, compared to net income of $5,007,000, equivalent to 50 cents per share, for the first nine months of 1989. Total revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $44,588,000 compared to $56,600,000 for the same period in 1989.

The decline in total revenues and net income for the third quarter and nine months of 1990 compared to 1989 is primarily due to sharply lower silver prices and a decline in the company's total gold production.

Gold production for the third quarter of 1990 was 20,207 ounces compared to 32,654 ounces for the same period in 1989. Gold production for the nine months of 1990 was 47,800 ounces compared to 67,479 ounces in 1989. The decline in gold production is primarily due to diminishing reserves at the company's Thunder Mountain mine in central Idaho which may not operate beyond the 1990 production season. Also, the company has previously announced that its production during 1990 was being impacted due to an accumulation of unprocessed inventory resulting from the commissioning of its new leach pad at the Rochester mine in Nevada. The new pad is now operational and the production levels reached near budget level performance at the end of the third quarter. Silver production for the third quarter of 1990 was 1,523,596 compared to 1,488,404 ounces during the same period in 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company produced 4,009,366 ounces of silver compared to 4,072,760 ounces for the same period in 1989. However, silver prices were sharply lower at $5.03 an ounce for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $5.54 during 1989. The price of silver for the third quarter 1990 was $4.88 an ounce compared to $5.18 an ounce for the third quarter of 1989. The average price of gold was $384.69 for the nine months of 1990 compared to $378.52 for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1989. The price of gold for the three months in 1990 was $382.19 compared to $367.31 in 1989.

At the company's 50 percent owned Kensington gold property in Alaska, the final feasibility study has been completed. The final design and engineering proposals are being solicited.

CONTACT: James A. Sabala of Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp., 208-667-3511

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DEARBORN, MI (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) has previously announced it is recalling about 55,000 1990 and 1991 model year cars to locate and recover 133 potentially defective air bag modules. Ford and three other auto manufacturers had been informed by the module supplier, TRW Vehicle Safety Systems, Inc., that these modules might be defective.

This week, Ford was informed by TRW that the population of air bag modules that may contain a defective part had increased to about 3,000.

This increase came as a result of further reviews of production records recently conducted by TRW. Ford has decided to expand its previously announced recall to locate and replace these newly identified air bag modules.

Affected vehicles are 1990 Taurus, Sable, Continental, Tempo and Topaz and 1990-1991 Crown Victoria and Grand Marquis models. It is believed that the 55,000 vehicles initially identified may contain many of these additional modules. However, analysis is continuing to determine how many additional vehicles may be involved.

CONTACT: Jim Trainor of Ford Parts and Service, 313-594-2880

-30- 1312

#90306p2937 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - All Media, Inc. today announced the resignation of Dennis Mahoney as president. Mahoney will pursue other interests and will remain on the board of directors.

A successor to Mahoney has not been named. Vice president and director of Creative Services, Buddy Cohen, will oversee day-to-day operations of Al Media until a new president is named.

All Media, Inc. is a media production, sales and marketing company with exclusive rights to specific video products produced by All Media for Earnie Larsen. Larsen is a well-respected author and lecturer in the self-help field.

All Media, Inc. is traded on the local over-the-counter market.

CONTACT: Buddy Cohen of All Media, 612-924-2353

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FAIRFAX, VA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - John P. Keehan, Jr., a director and member of the executive committee of Mobil Oil Corporation and vice president, Middle East and Marine Transportation, announced today that he has elected to retire Jan. 1, 1991 for personal reasons.

Allen E. Murray, chairman and chief executive officer of Mobil Oil and its parent Mobil Corporation (NYSE: MOB), thanked Keehan for "his many contributions during his more than 33 years of service and, in particular, for his pivotal role in the development of Mobil's substantial producing interests in Indonesia and the North Sea."

Keehan, 56, joined Magnolia Petroleum Company, a Mobil affiliate, in 1957 after graduation from Southern Methodist University with a master's degree in economics. After progressing through a variety of planning positions in Mobil's North American activities, he became general manager, product supply and distribution, in 1974.

He was appointed general manager, energy minerals, for the Exploration & Producing (E&P) division in 1976. Two years later, he moved to London to become general manager, Mobil Producing Northwest Europe.

In 1980, he became general manager, producing, for the E&P division and in 1985 was named vice president, producing operations. The following year he was elected a vice president of Mobil Oil Corporation and was named vice president, producing, E&P division.

In 1988, he was elected a vice president of Mobil Corporation and assumed the position of vice president, planning and economics for both Mobil Oil and Mobil Corporation. In 1989, he was elected a director and member of the executive committee of Mobil Oil and assumed his current responsibilities for Middle East and Marine Transportation in May, 1990.

CONTACT: John Lord of Mobil, 703-846-2500

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) issued the following debenture announcement:

Date of Offering:	Nov. 7, 1990
Issue Date:	Nov. 13, 1990
Term:	5 years 30 years

Callable on or after:	11/10/93	11/10/95
Amount (millions):	$400	$450
Maturity Date:	11/10/95	11/10/20
Date of First Interest Payment (then semi-annually):	5/10/91	5/10/91
Date interest rates and prices will be announced:	November 6, 1990	

The debentures of Nov. 10, 1995, and the debentures of Nov. 10, 2020, are redeemable on or after Nov. 10, 1993, and Nov. 10, 1995, respectively, in whole or in part at the option of the corporation at any time (and from time to time). The redemption price of the debentures of Nov. 10, 1995, will be 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption. The redemption price of the debentures of Nov. 10, 2020, initially will be a percentage of the principal amount redeemed to be announced at the pricing of the issue on Nov. 6, 1990, plus accrued interest on the principal amount redeemed. The redemption price of the debentures of Nov. 10, 2020, will decrease annually on each Nov. 10, commencing Nov. 10, 1996, through Nov. 10, 2015, as will be set forth in the Supplement to the Guide to Debt Securities information statement relating to those debentures. The amount payable for any redemptions on or after Nov. 10, 2015, and at maturity will be equal to 100 percent of the then outstanding principal balance, plus accrued interest.

The net proceeds of this offering will be used to redeem in part the $300,000,000 of Series SM-1990-A 10.90 percent debentures and the $1,000,000,000 of Series SM-1990-L 7.00 percent debentures that mature November 12, 1990.

Debentures will be issued in book-entry form only. The minimum purchase is $10,000 and multiples of $5,000 thereafter. The offering is being made through Fannie Mae's Senior Vice President - Finance and Treasurer Gary L. Perlin, and Vice President and Assistant Treasurer Linda K. Knight, 3900 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016, assisted by a nationwide selling group of recognized securities dealers.

The issues that are offered on Nov. 7, 1990, will be free to trade at 8:20 a.m. EST.

CONTACT: Tom Marder of Fannie Mae, 202-752-7608

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JACKSON, MI (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The parties to a shareholders' class action lawsuit brought against Consumers Power Company in 1983 in connection with Consumers Power's failed Midland nuclear plant project, today advised the court they have agreed to settle the case for $31 million.

Because of insurance coverage and amounts previously reserved against earnings the settlement will have no material impact on earnings of Consumers Power or its parent company, CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS).

Plaintiffs in the suit, brought in federal court, include shareholders who bought Consumers Power stock in 1982 and 1983. The company and the other defendants deny any wrongdoing.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation, is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, 517-788-2396

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ATLANTA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern Heritage Insurance Company announced today its acceptance of an offer from GEICO Corporation (NYSE: GEC) of Washington, D.C., to acquire in a merger all outstanding shares of Southern Heritage common stock for a base price of $6.25 per share.

Southern Heritage has outstanding 2,662,024 shares of common stock and options to acquire such stock, which options would become exercisable in connection with the merger, making the acquisition price approximately $16.6 million. The merger is subject to execution of a definitive acquisition agreement approved by the Board of Directors and shareholders of Southern Heritage, satisfactory due diligence investigations by both parties, various regulatory approvals or filing, and other conditions.

Southern Heritage will be the surviving corporation in a merger with a GEICO subsidiary, and Southern Heritage shareholders would have the right to elect either $6.25 cash or one share of a newly issued class of redeemable preferred stock for each share of Southern Heritage common stock. The preferred stock would be redeemable at the option of the holder at a price equal to the greater of $6.25 per share or the highest price previously established pursuant to a formula that adjusts the redemption price annually based on two factors, net written premium growth and loss ratio.

Southern Heritage was chartered in Georgia in 1984 by a group led by Georgia independent insurance agents and Thomas W. Crawford, its President and CEO, to provide selected independent agents an additional company for writing personal lines property and casualty insurance. Southern Heritage expanded its operations to Alabama in 1986 and Virginia in 1987. Its Board of Directors is comprised of prominent independent agents from Georgia, Alabama, and Virginia. Many of the agents writing insurance for the Company are also shareholders. The Company has enjoyed a premium growth rate of approximately 50 percent per

year for automobile, homeowners and related insurance premiums for the years 1988 and 1989.

Southern Heritage is a personal lines property and casualty company conducting business in Alabama, Georgia and Virginia and maintaining its corporate headquarteres in Atlanta.

CONTACT: Robert J. Cormican of Southern Heritage, 404-934-5057

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Kaufman and Broad Home Corp. (NYSE: KBH) on Thursday, Nov. 1, 1990, declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.075 (seven and one-half cents) per share on the company's common stock, payable on Nov. 21, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 9, 1990.

Los Angeles-based Kaufman and Broad Home Corp. is the largest producer of single-family housing in California and the largest builder in metropolitan Paris, where the company develops commercial office properties and a variety of residential investment properties in addition to single-family homes.

CONTACT: Eileen Rose of Kaufman and Broad Home Corp., 213-443-8000

-30- 853

#90306p2944 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, SC (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - RSI Holdings, Inc., (NASDAQ: RSIH), announced today the sale of the business of its wholly-owned subsidiary Sunbelt Distributors, Inc. to Georgia-Pacific Corporation (NYSE: GP).

Sunbelt's main product line is Peachtree Doors and Windows and commencing on November 1, 1990, Georgia-Pacific took over the distribution of this product line.

Sales Price not disclosed.

CONTACT: Joe F. Ogburn, RSI Holdings, Inc. 803-271-7171

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#90306p2947 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) and Fiat Group announced today that they have terminated discussions regarding potential joint venture operations and other possible business arrangements. The discussions had been ongoing for several months.

"We discovered some strong potential opportunities for working together and some outstanding operational synergies that could have benefitted both companies," said Chrysler Chairman Lee Iacocca. "Unfortunately timing is everything and we've jointly come to the conclusion that the current timing would be lousy.

"Uncertainties in the global economy, rising oil prices brought on by the crisis in the Gulf, the slowdown in sales in both the U.S. and European automotive markets and the overall deterioration in worldwide business conditions created overwhelming obstacles against the kind of arrangements we've been discussing," Iacocca said. "It's been frustrating for both companies and for all of our people who've been involved in the negotiations but we believe the decision to conclude the negotiations is the right decision for everybody."

Iacocca and Agnelli said the discussions were cordial and that relations between the two companies continue to be excellent. They said that Chrysler's current distribution agreement for Alfa Romeo cars in the U.S., together with other current commercial arrangements, would continue uninterrupted.

Iacocca also said Chrysler's current distribution agreements with Renault and its independent distributor network for the distribution of Chrysler products in Europe would all continue unchanged.

CONTACT: Tom Jakobowski or Bud Liebler of Chrysler, 313-956-2894; or Gualberto Ranieri of Fiat USA, 212-207-0947

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Mor-Flo Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: MORF) today reported financial results for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $50,414,214 as compared with $46,741,713 for the third quarter of 1989. The Company reported net earnings of $207,037, or 8 cents per share, as compared with a net loss of $6,835,252, or $2.71 per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

Net sales for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 were $159,471,484 as compared with $156,381,625 for the first nine months of 1989. Net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $635,830, or 25 cents per share, as compared with a net loss of $9,059,345, or $3.59 per share, for the first nine months of 1989.

Included in the results for the third quarter and first nine months of 1989 were charges reflecting an increase in the provision for the patent infringement damage award against the Company, which award was paid in January

1990. The charges were $5,876,000 before taxes and a net after-tax charge of $3,889,000, or $1.54 per share, in the third quarter, and $6,036,000 before taxes and a net after- tax charge of $3,993,000, or $1.58 per share, for the first nine months of 1989.

Walter L. Abt, chairman of the board and president of Mor-Flo, said that profitable operations were achieved in the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 primarily as a result of increasing gross profit margin. In both periods, higher average selling prices more than offset increased costs due to complying with the minimum energy efficiency requirements of the National Appliance Energy Conservation Act of 1987 which went into effect on January 1, 1990 for the manufacture of residential water heaters. In addition, Abt noted that increased sales of step-up models, that have higher gross profit margins, contributed to the earnings improvement.

Mor-Flo Industries, Inc. is a leading national manufacturer of gas, electric and solar water heaters, as well as related home heating products. The Company is headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio and has major manufacturing facilities in Johnson City and Chattanooga, Tennessee and Santa Monica, California.

CONTACT: Jerry Polster of Mor-Flo Industries, 216-663-7300

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BURLINGTON, NC (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: EDIT EDITW) reported today that the Company held its annual meeting in Burlington on October 30, 1990. Samuel C. Powell, James D. Skinner, Walter O. Fredericks and Gene E. Lewis were elected to serve as Directors until the next shareholder's meeting. At a Board of Directors meeting immediately following the annual meeting, Dr. Powell was reelected as Chairman of the Board.

Shareholders also approved an amendment to the company's certificate of incorporation which will reduce the number of common shares authorized from 75,000,000 shares to 5,000,000 shares, increase the par value per share of common Stock from $.01 to $.15 and convert each 15 shares of Common Stock outstanding into one share of Common Stock. In addition, shareholders approved proposals related to adjustments in the exercise price of certain stock options for employees and for certain non-employee directors.

Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. develops and manufacturers human clinical, drugs of abuse and agricultural diagnostics specifically designed for on-site testing by non-technical personnel. The Company's Conventional Biodiagnostic Products are used by government agencies, researchers, clinical testing laboratories and other companies for clinical and veterinary testing. The Company's EZ-SCREEN products provide the accuracy of laboratory results in

minutes.

CONTACT: Peter Heath, Controller, Environmental Diagnostics, Inc, 919-226-6311

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BOCA RATON, FLA. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - First Medical International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HUGE) has signed an agreement with its investment bankers and financial advisors, Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. Inc., to arrange a proposed institutional private placement of approximately $3,000,000 of the company's securities.

The company anticipates completion of the private placement in late January or early February, 1991, with the net proceeds to be used for additional acquisitions and working capital.

First Medical International (formerly known as Humagen) has recently acquired three emerging growth companies: MedTex, a proprietary medical waste disposal company based in Lansing, Mich.; the Boca Raton-based Cardio Scan, an established company specializing in Holter Monitor EKG and EEG testing; and International Distribution Network, Inc., an international distributor of medical equipment and supplies, and its wholly owned subsidiary, Ecological Fuels, Inc., an international fuel additive distributor, both based in Boca Raton, Fla. FMI has also opened a distribution/exhibition center for medical equipment in Minsk, Byelorussia (U.S.S.R.).

CONTACT: Roberto Riva, CEO of First Medical International, Inc., 407-241-6760

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SAN DIEGO, (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Jack In The Box today issued the following statement:

Jack In The Box(R) announced its position on packaging today. "Jack In The Box has long been an environmentally sensitive company," said Darren Blass, manager of Environmental Affairs. "Currently 93 percent of our menu options are placed in non-foam packaging. Several months ago, Jack In The Box made a commitment to eliminate its remaining foam packaging as acceptable technology becomes available," he added.

Jack In The Box, a division of Foodmaker Inc., is the nation's fifth- largest hamburger chain with 1,015 restaurants in 10 western and southwestern states.

CONTACT: Jan McLane Rieger of Foodmaker Inc., 619-571-2248, for Jack In The Box

-30- 898

#90306p2969 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Mary Jo Jacobi has been named director, group public affairs USA, for the HongkongBank group, one of the 30 largest banking organizations in the world. Jacobi's responsibilities include public affairs activities for the affiliated companies of the group in the United States, including Marine Midland Bank. In making this announcement, Geoffrey A. Thompson, president and chief executive officer of Marine Midland and chairman of HongkongBank's Americas Group Coordinating Committee, noted that hers is the first joint appointment in the Americas by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited with Marine Midland, its primary U.S. commercial banking subsidiary.

Prior to joining HongkongBank, Jacobi was senior vice president and a member of the board of directors of Drexel Burnham Lambert Incorporated. In the mid 1980s, Jacobi served as special assistant to President Reagan for Business Liaison, where she was his principal advisor on relationships with the American business community and professional, financial, and trade organizations. Her other federal government experience includes service on the staff of former Secretary of Commerce Malcom Baldridge and with the U.S. Senate Commerce Committee.

Additionally, Jacobi has held executive government relations positions with 3M Company, the National Association of Manufacturers, and El Paso Natural Gas Company.

A native of Mississippi, Jacobi holds a bachelor's degree in business from Loyola University of the South in New Orleans and an MBA in international business from George Washington University.

Jacobi serves on several boards of directors, including the Institute for Research on the Economics of Taxation, Congressional Management Foundation and Ladies Professional Golf Association.

She is a member of the YWCA's Academy of Women Achievers and was named one of America's One Hundred Young Women of Promise by Good Housekeeping magazine.

CONTACT: Patricia Coate of Marine Midland, 212-658-5342

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Broad Inc. (NYSE: BRO) have declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents ($.05) per share of common stock, and 4 1/2 cents ($.045) per share of Nontransferable Class B stock. Cash dividends are payable on Nov. 20, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 13, 1990.

Broad Inc. is the parent company of SunAmerica Corp., a financial services group with assets owned or under management of nearly $11.5 billion. SunAmerica companies market fixed and variable annuities, guaranteed investment contracts, mutual funds, investment counseling, trust services and other investments through a broad spectrum of distribution channels nationwide.

CONTACT: Ann Julsen of Broad Inc., 213-312-5000

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GREENWICH, CT (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - W. R. Berkley Corporation (NASDAQ: BKLY) an insurance holding company, today announced that net income for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990, excluding the effects of a previously-announced third quarter special charge discussed below, was $12,007,000 ($1.01 per share) and $38,904,000 ($3.28 per share), respectively, in comparison with $12,072,000 ($1.03 per share) and $41,322,000 ($3.50 per share) recorded in the corresponding periods of 1989.

Net income, after the special charge of $10,560,000 ($.89 per share on an after-tax basis) was $1,447,000 ($.12 per share) and $28,344,000 ($2.39 per share) for the 1990 quarter and year-to-date periods, respectively. The quarter to quarter and year-to- date comparisons were adversely impacted by a reduced level of "Fresh Start" tax benefits, which decreased by $510,000 ($.04 per share) and $1,530,000 ($.13 per share) for the respective three and nine month periods.

Total revenues of $139,436,000 and $412,990,000 for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 represent increases of 3 percent and 1 percent, respectively, from the comparable 1989 levels. The increases result from significant growth in both investment and service fee income which offset a decline in earned premium. The growth in service fee income, which rose 61 percent to $30.6 million in the first nine months of 1990, was generated by a combination of acquisitions and internal expansion.

The special charge reflected in the third quarter represents a write-down of amounts previously recorded as reinsurance receivable. The charge was recorded following the August 1990 decision of an arbitration panel in a dispute between one of the company's subsidiaries and some of its former reinsurers. The panel denied the reinsurers' demand that the reinsurance contract be voided, but rendered an award which would have resulted in the company's subsidiary recovering significantly less than the amount it demanded. On Nov. 1, 1990 a U.S. District Court confirmed that the portion of the award which denied the reinsurers' demand for rescission, vacated the balance of the award and remanded the matter to the arbitration panel for reconsideration. In accordance with policy, the company believes it would be inappropriate to comment further on the matter until the arbitrators complete their

reconsideration.

Net premiums written for the quarter and year-to-date 1990 periods were $112,031,000 and $318,549,000, respectively. The third quarter premium volume was essentially unchanged from the comparable 1989 amount while writings for the first nine months of 1990 represented a decline of approximately 3 percent in comparison with the premiums recorded during the corresponding 1989 period. The reduced level of premium volume results from the continuing efforts of the company's subsidiaries to maintain pricing discipline in an increasingly competitive insurance environment.

William R. Berkley, chairman of the board, noted that operating results to date were generally in line with the company's expectations. He stated, "The 1990 results were achieved despite an above average level of weather-related claims which impacted the regional sector of our business. Our operating performance continues to reflect substantial earnings growth in our insurance services segment, a higher level of investment income, and continued strong cash flow generated by operations. We remain pleased with the underwriting discipline of our subsidiaries and we do not anticipate a rise in premium volume until the current competitive pricing environment moderates."

W. R. Berkley Corporation is a holding company whose subsidiaries operate in three major segments of the insurance business: regional property casualty insurance; specialty lines of insurance (including excess and surplus lines, commercial transportation and reinsurance); and insurance services operations (including management of alternative insurance market mechanisms).

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed Riverside Savings Bank, SLA, Riverside, N.J., in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, Riverside Federal Savings Bank, will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift, and will operate in conservatorship under the management of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The receivership did not result in any interruption of Riverside's day-to-day operations. The institution and its seven branches will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action, which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

OTS initiated the action because Riverside was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition in that it had insufficient capital, with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

Riverside's condition is due primarily to poor underwriting, bad management, a poor investment strategy and the substantial deterioration of an asset portfolio heavily laden with high-risk real estate development projects.

As of Feb. 13, 1990, assets of $59.25 million, or 31 percent of total assets, were classified as substandard, doubtful or loss, forcing the institution to add $13.9 million to loss reserves.

As of June 30, 1990, assets of $30.2 million, or 16.6 percent of total assets, were delinquent or non-performing due in part to bad appraisals and loans made to unqualified borrowers. The establishment of an additional $10.1 million in loss reserves led to a $12.4 million net loss for the first six months of 1990.

Delinquencies are on the rise, while most of Riverside's mortgage- backed securities are pledged against loans the institution obtained to finance reverse repurchase agreements. Thus, the thrift is highly exposed to interest rate risk, and prospects for recovery are dim.

Riverside had been operating under regulatory restrictions that stopped all commercial lending and futures and options trading, and curtailed investments in subsidiary operations. The institution is insolvent in that it has negative tangible, core and risk-based capital.

Riverside Savings Bank, SLA, was a state-chartered stock association wholly owned by real estate developers Vahak and Shant Hovnanian. Shareholders will retain no interest in the new institution.

As of June 30, 1990, Riverside Savings Bank, SLA, had assets of $181.63 million, liabilities of $188.06 million and tangible capital of negative $16.98 million, for a tangible capital-to-assets ratio of negative 9.3 percent.

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both of the Office of Thrift Supervision

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AKRON, OHIO (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Roadway Express said today that it will not raise freight rates Jan. 1, contrary to an earlier published report that the company characterized as inaccurate.

It is correct that both the timing and amount of rate adjustment that will be required during 1991 have been under study. However, there remain too many uncertainties concerning cost factors to permit a sufficiently accurate projection for action in January, the company said.

Customers have indicated they would normally prefer necessary rate adjustments take effect in January, to facilitate budget planning. That is also the company's preference, but at this point, significant cost factors such as labor rates and fuel and other petroleum related cost elements cannot be predicted with any degree of reliability. Therefore, in order to minimize the likelihood of needing more than one adjustment during 1991, Roadway will defer any general increase until sometime after the first of the year as a clearer picture of cost developments emerge.

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#90306p2992 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR), today announced that it has obtained an extension until Nov. 12, 1990, of payments due holders of certain notes and warrants as discussions continue to restructure the company's obligations to those parties.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

CONTACT: R. Christopher Weber or Jon M. Berry, 513-621-1300, both of Jacor Communications, Inc.

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BEAVERTON, OR. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was released today by Tektronix Inc.:

Tektronix Inc. (NYSE: TEK) is in line for a major federal contract to develop fast superconducting integrated circuits, members of Oregon's congressional delegation reported today. The contract would be the federal government's first funding of superconductivity in the area of microelectronics for digital information processing.

The $5 million, multi-year project is part of the defense appropriation bill contained in the new federal budget approved by Congress last weekend. The 1991 budget contains a first-year appropriation of $2 million for the project, according to U.S. Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore. The balance of the contract will be appropriated in future budgets.

"The role played by Tektronix in developing this revolutionary new technology

will be vital to both our national security and our international competitiveness," said Sen. Hatfield, a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Said U.S. Rep. Les AuCoin, D-Ore.: "Tektronix will develop technology that will allow superconducting computer chips to operate at apparent room-temperature at a thousand times faster than conventional chips."

Sen. Hatfield and Rep. AuCoin worked to get the superconductivity funds for Tektronix included in the defense budget, according to Chuck Frost, Tek's vice president for public affairs. "Hatfield and AuCoin recognize the need to remain competitive in the development of this vital technology," Frost said. "The funds are designated for Tek and will help us build on the microelectronics research previously conducted by Tek."

Superconductivity promises a future of faster, better and smaller electronics products, said Bruce Murdock, Tek's program manager for superconductive microelectronics. "Years of laboratory research have demonstrated the unique properties of superconductors which enable microelectronic circuits to operate faster with less power consumption. In microelectronics, increased performance occurs when signals are transmitted in a superconductive environment created with the aid of cryogenics -- or refrigeration," Murdock said.

"Superconducting microelectronics offers startling potential for improved performance compared to semiconductors," Murdock said.

Murdock will head the research effort to supply the Pentagon with a prototype superconducting microprocessor. "This work will include the integration of superconductive digital microelectronics with novel small refrigerators that enable apparent room-temperature operations," said Murdock.

The five-year project primarily will be undertaken by Tektronix Laboratories at Tek's Oregon headquarters. Murdock also is the principal scientist named by the CSAC to identify potential new products for development. CSAC is the Council on Superconductivity for American Competitiveness, a trade association.

Tektronix is a leading manufacturer of electronics products and systems in the areas of test and measurement equipment, computer graphics and communications. Revenues in Fiscal 1990 totalled $1.4 billion from worldwide sales. The company employs about 12,500 workers.

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#90306p2995 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan Am Corporation (NYSE: PN) today reported a net loss of $29.1 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared with last

year's third quarter loss from continuing operations of $18.0 million (19 cents per share loss versus 12 cents per share loss).

The consolidated operating profit for the third quarter this year was $19.5 million, compared with last year's third quarter operating profit of $21.9 million. Operating revenues increased 13.1 percent, from $1.020 billion to $1.154 billion -- a record for any quarter in the company's history -- while operating expenses increased 13.6 percent, from $998.4 million to $1.134 billion. Fuel and oil expense alone increased 29.8 percent, from $160.7 million to $208.5 million.

Pan American World Airways, the principal subsidiary of the corporation, reported a $29.2 million net loss in the third quarter of 1990, compared with a $21.9 million net loss reported in the third quarter last year.

The airline reported an operating profit of $16.5 million, compared with an operating profit of $18.7 million in the third quarter last year. Operating revenues for the airline were up 13.2 percent, from $953.5 million to $1.080 billion, while operating expenses were up 13.7 percent, from $934.7 million to $1.063 billion.

Fuel and oil expense for Pan American World Airways increased 30.3 percent, from $153.3 million to $199.8 million, principally related to a 28.0 percent increase in the price of fuel, from 60.3 cents a gallon in the third quarter last year to 77.2 cents this year.

The airline noted that this year's third quarter passenger revenues, traffic, load factor and yield all were the highest ever recorded for any third quarter in the company's history.

The corporation's two other airline subsidiaries, Pan Am Express and Pan Am Shuttle, together reported a $4.7 million operating profit, compared with a $20.2 million operating profit last year. The variance from last year primarily reflects the results of Pan Am Shuttle, which last year benefited from a strike by its competitor, the Eastern Shuttle.

Last year's results include a gain of $110.5 million on the sale of Pan Am World Services.

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#90306p2997 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Scotti Brothers Entertainment Industries, Inc. and All American Television, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALLT) today jointly announced that they have extended until Nov. 20, 1990, the date by which definitive merger and related agreements must be executed. The parties previously

announced that All American had accepted an offer by Scotti Brothers pursuant to which Scotti Brothers would be merged into a subsidiary to be formed by All American. The parties continue to anticipate that the closing of the merger will occur in January 1991.

All American further announced that it has retained Seidler Amdec Securities Inc., a Los Angeles-based investment banker, to render the fairness opinion contemplated by the merger. The fairness opinion will be to the effect that the proposed transactions, viewed as a single transaction, are fair to the existing holders of All American common stock from a financial point of view. Consistent with the terms of the merger, and as previously announced, the opinion will not encompass a separate post-merger market valuation of the shares of All American common stock retained by existing shareholders.

Scotti Brothers is a privately held entertainment corporation based in Los Angeles. Its divisions include a record company, a motion picture production and distribution company, a television production company, and an international sales and distribution organization for motion pictures and video.

All American is a New York based publicly traded company engaged in the distribution of television programming to domestic and international television stations, cable television networks and home video markets, and the sale of commercial time to advertisers.

CONTACT: Tom Bradshaw, senior executive VP of Scotti Brothers Entertainment Industries, 213-450-3193, or Joseph E. Kovacs, COO of All American Television, 212-818-1200

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#90306p2999 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

ASHLAND, KY (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashland Oil Inc. (NYSE: ASH) today reported that its APAC Construction Group and Outer Banks Contractors Inc. have abandoned a letter of intent for APAC to acquire the Kitty Hawk, N.C.-based highway and utilities contractor.

On Sept. 20, the two firms had announced plans for APAC to acquire the family-owned firm. APAC and Outer Banks said the letter of intent was withdrawn because agreement could not be reached on the terms of the transaction.

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#90306p3005 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FL (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Gary J. Arnold has resigned as senior vice

president and corporate secretary at Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc. (NYSE: HBJ) to start a business consulting venture in Orlando.

Arnold, who has served in a variety of positions at HBJ since 1982, said he wants to have more time for developing a business. "It's difficult to leave a company which has been so much a part of my life for eight years," he said, "but the tremendous demands of the positions I held did not leave much time for developing other business interests."

Peter Jovanovich, president and CEO of HBJ, said, "Although I understand and support Gary's decision, I am disappointed to lose his talent, ability, and hard work. Gary has been a mainstay for HBJ, working tirelessly for the good of the company in many challenging assignments. All of us at HBJ wish him the best in his new venture."

In addition to serving as corporate secretary, Arnold oversaw Harcourt Brace Jovanovich Legal and Professional Publications, Inc. and was responsible for the management of HBJ's various office facilities. He had also been director of taxes since 1982.

Before his appointment as corporate secretary in October 1989, he was internal auditor (1988-1989) and assistant treasurer (1984-1988). He was made an administrative vice president in 1985 and promoted to senior vice president in January 1990.

Arnold, 35, is a certified public accountant.

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LANDOVER, MD. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert M. Haft, president of Crown Books Corporation (NASDAQ: CRWN), announced sales increased 12 percent for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 to $48,830,000 from $43,488,000 in the comparable quarter a year ago. For the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 sales increased 11 percent to $142,430,000 compared with sales of $128,029,000 for the same period one year ago. These increases were primarily due to one net new store for the three months and seven net new stores for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 and to 7 percent and 5 percent increases in sales for the three months and nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 for stores open more than one year.

During the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990, one classic Crown Books store was expanded to a Super Crown Books store. Crown operates 259 book stores in the Washington metropolitan area, California, Houston, Chicago, and Seattle, compared with 249 stores in operation one year ago.

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#90306p3012 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - AMVEST Corporation President, Carl W. Smith, announced today the appointment of L.E. Meade, Jr., as President of AMVEST Minerals Corporation, a new wholly-owned sudsidiary of AMVEST Corporation.

AMVEST Minerals Group will be based in the Tri-City, Virginia-Tennessee, area and will focus on expansion of existing coal, oil and gas operations, and development of additional energy related profit centers by acquisition.

Subsidiaries of AMVEST Minerals Corporation will include Glamorgan Coal Corporation, Powell Mountain Coal Company, Inc, Terry Eagle Coal Company, AMVEST Coals Sales, Inc., AMVEST Oil and Gas, Inc. and Angus Minerals Company, Inc.

Meade indicated the new company and location will centralize the growing energy business of AMVEST. Meade also stated that AMVEST Minerals will continue to emphasize AMVEST Corporation's historical individual profit center mode of operation.

AMVEST Corporation is a privately-held company, headquartered in Charlottesville, Virginia, involved in coal mining, merchant banking and oil and gas exploration.

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#90306p3014 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH, (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - DQE (NYSE: DQE) today issued results, as follows:

DQE
1990 Financial Data
(all figures in thousands exept per share amount)
(unaudited) Period Ended

	Three Months		12 Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total operating revenues	$304,839	$301,055	$1,137,964	$1,121,345
Net income (available to common)	38,195	36,326	122,445	113,629

Average number of common shares outstanding (thousands)	54,768	55,381	54,839	56,869
Earnings per share of common stock	$0.71	$0.66	$2.23	$2.00
Dividends declared per share of common stock	$0.34	$0.32	$1.36	$1.28

Duquesne Light Co., an electric utility, is the principal subsidiary of DQE and has the following sales in millions of kilowatt-hours for the periods indicated.

Retail Sales:				
Residential	818	825	3,124	3,114
Commercial	1,430	1,421	5,244	5,101
Industrial	854	794	3,266	3,292
Other	21	21	84	84
Total sales to customers	3,123	3,061	11,718	11,591

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LANDOVER, MD. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Herbert H. Haft, chairman of the board of Trak Auto Corporation (NASDAQ: TRAK), announced that sales increased 4 percent for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. Sales increased to $76,126,000 from $72,969,000 for the comparable quarter one year ago. For the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 sales increased 9 percent to $219,933,000 compared with sales of $201,660,000 for the same period one year ago. These increases were primarily due to ten net new stores for the three months and 23 net new stores for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 and to a 3 percent increase in sales for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 for stores open more than one year. For stores open more than one year, sales decreased 3 percent for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Trak Auto Corporation operates 330 stores in the Washington, D.C.; Baltimore; Richmond, Va.; Chicago, San Diego and Los Angeles metropolitan areas, compared with 300 stores in operation one year ago.

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#90306p3016 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER, (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Located in Golden, Colo., Imex Medical Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: IMEX) specializes in "user-friendly" and cost-effective instrumentation for the office-based physician. The company produces several diagnostic instruments for either fetal heart beat detection or for early detection of disease conditions which may lead to poor blood circulation in the legs, stroke and other vascular problems.

Seventh Annual Shareholders Meeting: Thursday, Nov. 8, 1990, 2 p.m. -- Product Demos (IL9000 & ImexDopCT); 3 p.m. -- Formal business part of the meeting. United Bank Center, 1700 Broadway, Forum Room (Main Teller Level) (Respond to Kelly Sanford at 303-431-9400)

Imex results and highlights:

-- The revolutionary IMEXLAB 9000, a completely automated product that simplifies vascular testing and produces professional reports in minutes was successfully introduced late in FY90. Results from this product and future sales of additional modules that will plug into it, could benefit Imex for years to come.

-- Other new and exciting products were introduced in FY90 such as the bi-directional IMEXLAB 3000DX and the Pocket Dop OB, a specialized doppler for optimal detection of the early fetal heart.

-- Imex will be introducing a new product in the second quarter of FY91. The ImexDopCT. This larger profile doppler has improved sound quality and a very easy-to-use recharging system.

-- During FY90 sales dropped slightly from $6.7 million to $6.3 million. Earnings were approximately $180,000 ($.03 per share) compared to $622,000 ($.10 per share). While OEM business dropped, Imex's own core business increased almost $1 million, or approximately 20 percent.

-- Imex continues to invest strongly in research and development and anticipates significant new product introductions throughout fiscal year 1991.

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#90306p3019 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Cambrex Corporation (NASDAQ: CBAM) announced today that effective Nov. 5, 1990, Peter Tracey will join Cambrex as vice president and chief financial officer, reporting to the office of the chairman.

Prior to joining Cambrex, Tracey held positions of increasing responsibility with Celanese Corporation, Olin Corporation, and LCP Chemicals and Plastics,

Inc. Most recently he has been acting president of Cole, U.S., a subsidiary of Joyce International. Tracey graduated from Manchester University with a B.S. in chemical engineering and received his M.B.A. from Harvard University where he was a Baker scholar.

Cambrex Corporation manufactures a broad line of specialty chemicals, fine chemicals and commodity chemical intermediates. The chemical families of castor oil, pyridine, organometallics, succinic anhydrides, organobromines and ammonia reaction chemistry are used by the company to produce compounds for its five product categories: urethane systems and additives, coatings, health and cosmetics products, agricultural chemical intermediates, and specialty and fine chemicals.

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#90306p3023 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Lewis Galoob Toys Inc. (NYSE: GAL) today reported third quarter revenues of $43,847,000, a decline of 42 percent from 1989 third quarter revenues of $76,037,000. The third quarter net loss after payment of the preferred dividend was $5,478,000 or $.59 per share, compared with a net profit of $7,293,000 or $.75 per share for the same period last year.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $105,414,000, a decrease of 38 percent compared with $169,648,000 for the first nine months of last year. The net loss for the first nine months of this year was $15,261,000 or $1.64 per share, compared with a net profit of $14,394,000 or $1.49 per share for the same period in 1989. Citing these results, the company announced that it has implemented a substantial cost reduction program, including a 23 percent reduction of domestic work force achieved through a combination of attrition and a layoff of principally administrative personnel.

David Galoob, chairman, president and chief executive officer, stated, "The company's balance sheet and capital structure continue to be extremely strong and highly liquid. At Sept. 30, 1990, the company's cash position was $21.8 million, more than double that of a year ago. Total bank debt at Sept. 30, 1990, was sharply reduced to $18.1 million, down from $60.7 million a year earlier, and the company had borrowed only $12.0 million of its $80.0 million revolving credit facility."

The company noted that results for the quarter and year-to-date were consistent with its expectations for significant full-year losses announced in July 1990. Continued reduced domestic shipments, resulting from slow retail sales of its major product lines and a lower level domestic retail consumer demand for toys in general, has caused a shift in the mix of sales between domestic and international customers. During the third quarter of 1990,

international sales, which generate significantly lower gross profits margins than domestic shipments, comprised 47 percent of the company's total sales, compared with 30 percent for the same period in 1989.

David Galoob added, "By accelerating our product development cycle, we have been able to introduce retail buyers to the company's 1991 product line a full two months earlier in the year than last year's introduction of our 1990 product line. Trade reaction to the company's new 1991 offerings is highly encouraging. Our accelerated development cycle will allow us to build on this reaction by launching new introductions earlier in 1991 and shipping them throughout the year."

Lewis Galoob Toys Inc. designs, develops, markets and distributes a variety of quality toy products sold worldwide.

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WARMINSTER, PA. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Fischer & Porter Co. (AMEX: FP) announced today that after 27 years of service with the company, David J. Nessim has retired as an officer and director.

Nessim joined the company in 1963 as principal engineer. Since then, he served in various capacities including president of International Operations and most recently, vice chairman. He had been a director of the company since 1974.

Nessim's long and valuable service was acknowledged by the board of directors of the company at its recent meeting.

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#90306p3045 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - SmartCard International Inc. (NASDAQ: SMRT) today announced its financial results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Operating revenues for the quarters ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, were $31,383 and $45,172, respectively. The revenues for the 1990 quarter primarily reflect revenues from sales of smart cards and other read/write device products. The company's net loss of $334,099 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was significantly greater than the 1989 quarter of $197,910 due to costs incurred in connection with the company's contract for the development of a transaction terminal that accepts both smart cards and magnetic stripe cards. The company now expects to begin shipments of the

terminals (under its previously announced contract with Bull HN Information Systems, Inc.) during the first half of 1991.

Cash and cash equivalents at Sept. 30, 1990, were $652,612, as compared with $995,577 at Dec. 31, 1989. This decrease reflects the expenditure of funds to maintain the company's operations.

SmartCard International is a development stage company which designs, manufacturers and markets "smart card" systems. Smart cards are plastic cards having the approximate dimensions of a standard credit card, which are embedded with microchips, giving the card both logic and memory.

SMARTCARD INTERNATIONAL INC.
Comparative Statement of Earnings (Unaudited)

Periods ended	Quarter		Six months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$ 31,383	$ 45,172	$117,703	$135,681
Net loss	334,099	197,910	943,307	735,244
Net loss per share	$.01	$.01	$.03	$.04
Number of shares outstanding	29,962,032	18,453,606	29,962,032	18,453,606

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#90306p3049 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTON, MA (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Greenery Rehabilitation Group, Inc. (NYSE: GRG) today announced that its board increased the authorization of its share and debt buy back program by $5 million.

On Aug. 21, 1990, Greenery Group announced that its board had authorized a share and debt buy back program of up to $10 million. Today's announcement increases the total amount which can be expended in this program to $15 million. A spokesman of GRG stated that a substantial amount of the original authorization has been expended.

The share and debt buy back program applies to GRG's three outstanding issues of public securities; Common Shares, 6.5 percent Convertible Debentures Due 2011 and 8.75 percent Convertible Debentures Due 2015. The company estimates that there are approximately 8.4 million Common Shares outstanding, of which approximately 3.87 million are in the so called "public float", and that there are about $30 million of the 6.5 percent convertible bonds and $28.75 million of the 8.75 percent Convertible Notes outstanding, substantially all of which are publicly held.

Upon announcing the expansion of the buy back program, George Ferencik, GRG

president, issued the following statement:

"Earlier this week, GRG announced that it expected that earnings for the fiscal fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, might be 50 percent or less of reported earnings in the year earlier comparable period. At that time, we pointed out that GRG expects that earnings for the full fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 are expected to exceed the year earlier's earnings.

"Since our announcement GRG securities have been pummeled in the marketplace. Frankly, we believe this is a drastic over- reaction to what should be viewed as a disappointing but profitable quarter in our continuing history of progress. Our board believes it is in our continuing shareholders' long-term interest that company funds be invested in the buy back program.

"Greenery Group's cash and cash equivalent at Sept. 30, 1990, exceeded $57 million and we do not expect that the buy back expenditures will adversely affect our business plans."

In an unrelated development, Greenery Group announced that it has partially exercised its warrant to assume a larger voting position in Healthcare International, Inc. (AMEX: HII).

Every Class B Share of HII has 10 times the voting power of the HII Class A shares listed on the American Stock Exchange. GRG acquired the 250,000 Class B shares in October 1989 at the time it simultaneously invested approximately 9.72 million in equity and debt of HII. The portion of the warrant which was exercised today gives GRG a majority of the Class B shares outstanding plus approximately 35 percent of the total HII share voting power. GRG has retained a portion of the warrant which would enable it to further increase its ownership and voting power in HII in the future.

The warrant exercise price is based upon a formula tied to the market price of HII Class A shares. Because these shares have been trading at a low price it is expected that GRG's cost of today's warrant exercise will be less than $250,000. Nonetheless, because of the concentration of voting power in HII Class B shares it is expected that, under generally accepted accounting principles, a portion of GRG future financial reports may reflect the financial results of HII. A spokesman for GRG stated that GRG has no present intention to expand its role in the management of HII.

CONTACT: Gerard M. Martin, chairman, or George M. Ferencik,
617-244-4744

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#90306p3053 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENCINITAS, CA. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - SDN Bancorp (OTC "Pink Sheets"), holding company for San Dieguito National Bank, reported net earnings of

$384,000 for the first nine months of 1990, compared to $841,000 for the first nine months of the previous year. Such 1989 net earnings were larger as a result of a net recovery of $380,000 from settlements of significant lawsuits as well as the extraordinary income tax benefit from carryforward of net operating losses. Income before income taxes and the non-recurring recovery was actually greater for the first nine months of 1990, compared to 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share were $.57 for the first nine months of 1990, compared to $1.17 for the comparable period in 1989.

Total assets were $78.9 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $72.9 million at Dec. 31, 1989, and $68.1 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

Net loans increased to $58.4 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $53.7 million at Dec. 31, 1989, and $51.7 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Total deposits were $73 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $67.4 million at Dec. 31, 1989 and $62.9 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

"During the last 12 months, both assets and deposits increased 16 percent and net loans increased 13 percent," said President Paul E. Schedler. "San Dieguito National Bank continues to enjoy a good primary capital ratio in excess of 7 percent."

San Dieguito National Bank recently opened a temporary office in Carlsbad Village. The permanent 6,000-square-foot location should be completed early in December. The bank is a locally owned community bank headquartered in Encinitas and will celebrate its tenth anniversary in December.

CONTACT: Paul E. Schedler, president of San Dieguito National Bank, 619-436-6888 or 800-736-7362

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#90306p3054 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

LUBBOCK, TEXAS (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Furr's/Bishop's Cafeterias, L.P. (NYSE: CAF) today announced that revenues for the 39 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990 were $216.3 million, a decrease of $1.83 million from revenues in the same period of 1989. Net income for the 39 weeks was $6.74 million or 38 cents per limited partnership unit, an increase of $2.09 million, as compared to $4.65 million or 28 cents per limited partnership unit for the same period of 1989. Net income increased in the 39 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990 as compared to the same period of 1989 as a result of lower food cost and net gains in the third quarter of 1990 of $884 thousand from the reversal of closed store reserves and $479 thousand from the recognition of the recovery of taxes. Revenues and net income in the third quarter of 1989 included $1.10 million from the disposition of a lease and net income included credits of $1.13 million from expense adjustments related to the Pension Plan. A special charge of $1.75 million, related to a proposed conversion to corporate form, was recognize, in the first quarter of 1989.

Revenues in the first 39 weeks of 1989 included two more restaurants in operation as compared to the number in operation during the same period of 1990. Lower guest traffic in comparable restaurants during the first 39 weeks of 1990 as compared to the same period of 1989 was more than offset by a higher average guest ticket resulting primarily from higher prices and menu mix changes.

Revenues for the third fiscal quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990 were $71.8 million, a decrease of $2.49 million from revenues in the same quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter was $2.53 million, or 14 cents per limited partnership unit as compared to $4.21 million or 25 cents per limited partnership unit for the third quarter of 1989. Revenues decreased in the third quarter of 1990 when compared to the same period of 1989 primarily due to lower average weekly guest traffic in comparable stores, two fewer restaurants open during most of the quarter and the unmatched $1.10 million gain in the third quarter of 1989 mentioned above. Revenue decreases were partially offset by an increase in the average guest ticket in comparable stores primarily resulting from price increases and menu mix changes.

As previously announced, Furr's/Bishop's has entered into an agreement providing for creation of a corporate holding company in which each outstanding Preference Unit will be converted into the right to receive 75 cents in cash, .6 of a share of Convertible Preferred Stock and .25 of a share of Class A Common Stock of the new corporation. A special meeting of Preference Unitholders will be held to consider and vote on the proposed transaction.

CONTACT: Alton Smith of Furr's/Bishop's Cafeterias, L.P.,
806-792-7151 or 800-333-7151

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#90306p3056 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

KAILUA-KONA, HI (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Cyanotech Corp. (NASDAQ: CYAN) today announced the election of Dr. Gerald R. Cysewski as chairman of the board of directors. Cysewski replaces John Weston who died unexpectedly at his home in Toronto, Canada, on Oct. 29, "I feel a great personal loss to the company with John Weston's death," said Cysewski. "The corporate plans we developed and implemented are just beginning to yield results and demonstrate the potential of Cyanotech. We will continue with these plans and build on the significant progress we have already made." Cysewski will serve as interim chairman until a new outside chairman is elected. He will also continue to serve as the company's president and chief executive officer.

CONTACT: Gerald R. Cysewski or Ronald P. Scott of Cyanotech Corp.,
808-326-1353

-30- 1002

#90306p3057 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON, (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed DeSoto Federal Savings and Loan Association, Mansfield, La., in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, DeSoto Federal Savings Association, will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift, and will operate in conservatorship under the oversight of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The receivership did not result in any interruption of DeSoto Federal's day-to-day operations. The institution and its one branch, which is located in Many, La., will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action, which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

OTS initiated the action because DeSoto Federal was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition in that it had insufficient capital, with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

DeSoto Federal Savings and Loan Association was chartered a federal mutual association in 1933, received its insurance of accounts in 1934 and had experienced substantial management stability since its inception.

DeSoto's condition was primarily due to the collapse of the oil industry and the decline in manufacturing in the Shreveport, La., area. In correlation to the drastic slump in the local economy, the quality of the thrift's assets declined. Classified assets totaled $6 million, or 9.2 percent of total assets, as of June 30, 1990. In addition, DeSoto reported net losses of $329,000 and $230,000 for the calendar year 1989 and the first eight months of 1990 respectively.

As of Aug. 31, 1990, DeSoto Federal Savings and Loan Association reported assets of $64.3 million, liabilities of $64.1 million and tangible capital of $229,000 for a tangible capital-to-assets ratio of negative 0.36 percent.

CONTACT: Allen Dermody, 214-541-8534, or Gwendolyn Gregg, 202-906-6677, both of the Office of Thrift Supervision

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#90306p3059 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

TRENTON, NJ (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - New Jersey Banking Commissioner Jeff Connor today approved the appointment of the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) as conservator for Riverside Savings Bank, SLA, located in Riverside, N.J., effective immediately. The RTC assumed control of the institution today

switched it to a federal 2charter, and renamed it Riverside Federal Savings Bank.

"A recent examination by the Office of Thrift Supervision determined that the institution had serious commercial real estate loan portfolio problems," Connor said. "Its bottom line ran thoroughly in the red, and its capital position is eroded beyond repair. Riverside Savings Bank is insolvent." The commissioner stressed that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation fully insures the accounts of each depositor up to $100,000.

Riverside had assets totalling $181.6 million on June 30, 1990, and posted a loss of $12.5 million for the first two quarters of this year. The institution's tangible capital position continued to deteriorate from $3.1 million at year-end 1989 to a negative $17.0 million as of June 30, 1990. All of the savings and loan's $15.5 million in non-accrued loans was in construction and land, and it held $15.4 million in repossessed assets.

The institution was incorporated in 1886. Its main office is located on Scott Street in Riverside, and it maintains five branch offices in central New Jersey. There is no interruption in regular hours.

CONTACT: Christopher W. Cooney of New Jersey Department of Banking, 609-292-7001

-30- 1744

#90306p3060 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - George D. Kennedy, chairman and chief executive officer of IMCERA Group Inc. (NYSE: IMA), told a meeting of the New York Society of Security Analysts here today that he expects strong earnings gains to continue throughout the current fiscal year. Operating margins are expected to improve over fiscal 1990 and should average a minimum of 15 percent through the mid-1990s.

C. Ray Holman, president and chief executive officer of Mallinckrodt Medical, reported he expects new product introductions and geographic expansion to fuel compound annual growth in sales through 1994 of approximately 19 percent and operating margins should exceed 18 percent also by 1994.

"Sales of Optiray(R), a nonionic contrast agent introduced 17 months ago, has exceeded expectations," he said. "A doubling of capacity should be completed by June 1991. We believe that the rate of U.S. conversion to nonionics is currently just under 50 percent." He also added that Ultraject(R), the new pre-filled plastic syringe, is being introduced this month for Optiray.

Other new products, including Albunex(R), an ultrasound contrast agent; MAG3(R), a renal imaging agent; and additions in blood gas monitoring systems are only a few of the new products which are expected to contribute to

Mallinckrodt Medical's growth over the next few years.

Dr. M. Blakeman Ingle, IMCERA president and chief operating officer, described several new Pitman-Moore products awaiting FDA and USDA approval such as cattle feed additives, new coccidiocides, and Grolene(TM), a porcine somatotropin, which should contribute to a compound annual sales growth of about 12 percent through 1994. Capacity additions, geographic expansion and development of advanced aromatic fluorine intermediates are expected to contribute to a compound annual sales growth through 1994 of 11 percent for Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals.

IMCERA Group Inc., with net sales of approximately $1.4 billion in fiscal 1990 ended June 30, has three operating companies -- Mallinckrodt Medical, Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals and Pitman-Moore. IMCERA also owns approximately 38 percent of the common stock of IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc.

CONTACT: Dave Prichard, 708-205-2270 (press), or Elizabeth Higashi (investor) 708-205-2189, both of IMCERA Group

-30- 2530

#90306p3068 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Baroid Corporation (NYSE: BRC) today announced that its board of directors has declared its regular dividend of five cents per share on its common stock, payable Dec. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

Baroid is a worldwide supplier of petroleum services and equipment.

CONTACT: Robert P. Wallace of Baroid, 713-987-5186

-30- 532

#90306p3069 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Comerica Bank-Texas, in a transaction assisted by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), has acquired the deposits of Lone Star National Bank of Dallas. Comerica has the option to purchase additional assets from Lone Star's portfolio.

Lone Star has deposits of approximately $38 million and operates three branches. The main office is located at 2301 North Akard, Suite 100, in Dallas. The other two offices are located at 2206 Columbian Club in Carrollton and 10212 East Northwest Highway, Dallas.

Banking regulators closed the bank Friday, Nov. 2. All three offices will reopen for regular business hours Monday, Nov. 5, as branches of Comerica Bank-Texas.

The acquisition of Lone Star is the seventh such move by Comerica in the Dallas area this year. Comerica Bank-Texas now has over $1.1 billion in assets and serves its customers through 22 office locations.

CONTACT: Michael Redden, 214-841-1301, or Edward Mims, 214-841-1312, both of Comerica-Bank Texas

-30- 1191

#90306p3072 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The LVI Group Inc. (NYSE: LVI) today reported that it has suspended payment of interest due Oct. 15, 1990, on its 14-7/8 percent subordinated debentures due Oct. 15, 1995, pending completion of active discussions with representatives of debtholders regarding a plan to restructure the company's debt.

CONTACT: R.G. Kemp Jr., chief financial officer and executive vice president of LVI, 212-337-6650

-30- 595

#90306p3079 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Dauphin Deposit Corp. (NASDAQ: DAPN), a $3.4 billion, multi-bank holding company headquartered in Harrisburg, and Hopper Soliday Corp. (NYSE: HS), a financial services holding company headquartered in Philadelphia, announced today that they have reached an agreement which will result in Dauphin purchasing certain of Hopper's business activities for approximately $2.9 million.

The activities include Hopper's municipal finance, investment banking, institutional sales and general securities businesses located in Lancaster, Pa., and New York City. Prior to closing, they will be consolidated into an existing subsidiary of Hopper Soliday Corp.

Dauphin will then purchase the stock of that subsidiary, subsequently operating it as a wholly owned, NASD member broker dealer named "Hopper Soliday & Co., Inc.," with corporate headquarters in Lancaster. Dauphin's new subsidiary will also have an office in Philadelphia. Hopper Soliday Corp. will retain its other securities subsidiaries, including W.H. Newbold's Son & Co. Inc., a New York Stock Exchange member firm.

James D. Lowry, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Hopper Soliday Corp., said, "I believe this transaction has exceptional benefits for all of the parties, including our associates who will be joining this new subsidiary of Dauphin Deposit Corporation. Dauphin is a very healthy, well capitalized banking company. Combining Dauphin's financial strength with the professionalism of the people who will join the acquired subsidiary will enhance client opportunities."

William J. King, Dauphin's chairman and chief executive officer, noted, "These are businesses that a bank holding company such as ours needs to develop for the longer term. Unlike de novo entry, we will be starting with well-established businesses and a name, 'Hopper Soliday & Co., Inc.,' which is widely recognized in our market area. In addition, Robert L. Fryer Jr., who will be the subsidiary's chairman, president and chief executive officer, and his associates are well known and very experienced in both the securities and commercial banking industries. They have an outstanding reputation and strong market share."

King went on to observe that Dauphin would be undertaking these new activities on a scale consistent with its conservative nature, that Dauphin's current geographic market closely matches the territory served by Fryer and his associates, and that the acquired personnel have approached the market with the same sensitivity to regional culture and quality of service that Dauphin has always emphasized. He also noted that the municipal finance business being acquired has been the top underwriter of Pennsylvania general obligation bonds so far in 1990.

CONTACT: Dorothy Moser of Dauphin Deposit, 717-255-2376, or 215-378-3802

-30- 3079

#90306p3080 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBURY NY (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Olsten Corporation (AMEX: OLS) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 6 cents per share on the common stock and a regular quarterly dividend of 6 cents per share on the company's Class B common stock. The dividends are payable Dec. 1 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 15.

Olsten, headquartered here, is one of the leading suppliers of temporary personnel to business, industrial and health care organizations through its 550 offices throughout the United States and Canada.

CONTACT: Robert J. Vitamente of Olsten, 516-832-8200

-30- 808

#90306p3084 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MICH. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Great Lakes Bancorp's (NASDAQ-NMS: GLBC) board of directors has appointed two new directors, George J. Nichols Jr. and Michael Bradley.

Nichols is the former chairman, president and chief executive officer of Arbor Plastics Products Inc., a company he formed from the acquisition of a division of Libby Owens Ford in 1981. Previously, he was a group vice president of

Hoover Universal Inc. Nichols is a graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor's degree in business administration.

Bradley is a professor of finance at the University of Michigan's school of business administration as well as a professor of law at U of M's law school. He is the author of numerous scholarly articles about finance and corporate finance. Bradley has a master's degree in business administration from Syracuse University and earned his doctorate in economics, finance and industrial organization from the University of Chicago's graduate school of business.

Great Lakes Bancorp has 52 branches in Michigan and operates Dollar Federal Savings Bank, a subsidiary in the north-Cincinnati area. Great Lakes also operates Great Lakes Mortgage Co., a mortgage banking subsidiary. With $3.7 billion in assets, Great Lakes Bancorp is Michigan's second-largest savings bank.

CONTACT: James S. Patterson of Great Lakes Bancorp, 313-769-8300, ext. 4116

-30- 1584

#90306p3085 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Oxboro Medical International, Inc. has announced that it has purchased a 14.9 percent interest in a limited partnership formed to pursue the development of a device to be used in connection with organ transplants and transportation.

According to the company, the proposed product is only in the conceptual planning stage and subject to the usual uncertainties of product development. The company feels that this type of product development carries a substantial risk of failure because of the nature of the product in question. There can be no assurance that a workable product in question. There can be no assurance that a workable product acceptable to the medical profession will be successfully developed.

Oxboro's initial contribution to the partnership is $82,000. It has been granted a five-year option to purchase an additional 15.1 percent interest in exchange for 100,000 shares of Oxboro common stock. Further, Oxboro is transferring 100,000 shares of its common stock to an escrow account, which shares are to be released in various installments upon the reaching of defined milestones in the development of the proposed product.

Other limited partners include Larry Rasmusson, a shareholder of and consultant to Oxboro, LexTen, Inc., a corporation of which Rasmusson is the sole shareholder, which will serve as general partner; Harley Haase, president and a director of Oxboro, and an unaffiliated third party.

Oxboro Medical International, Inc. is a Minneapolis-based holding company whose wholly owned subsidiary, Oxboro Medical, Inc., is in the business of developing, assembling, and selling medical and surgical devices.

CONTACT: Oxboro Medical, 612-884-7831

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#90306p3088 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHESDA, MD. (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Hanger Orthopedic Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: HOGG) announced that it filed a registration statement today with the Securities and Exchange Commission proposing a public offering by the company of 2,250,000 shares of its common stock. An additional 337,500 shares may be issued by the company to cover over-allotments. The primary purposes of the offering will be to raise funds to substantially reduce currently outstanding indebtedness and for general corporate purposes. PaineWebber Incorporated is the sole manager of the offering.

The company also announced today that it filed and is mailing to shareholders proxy material relating to a special meeting of shareholders to be held on Nov. 30, 1990, at which a proposed 1-for-4 reverse stock split of the common stock will be voted upon. The company expects that the reverse split will be approved and implemented prior to consummation of the proposed public offering of common stock.

The preliminary prospectus contained in the registration statement relating to the public offering states that it is currently estimated that the public offering price will be between $8 and $10 per share, which amounts give effect to the proposed 1-for-4 reverse stock split.

Hanger Orthopedic Group, Inc. is a Delaware corporation headquartered in Bethesda, Md., that is engaged in providing patient care services and products to the orthotic and prosthetic segment of the rehabilitation health care industry.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

CONTACT: Barbara Hynes of Gavin Anderson Doremus, 212-921-1060, for Hanger Orthopedic Group

-30- 2376
#90306p3090 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - AIM Strategic Income Fund Inc. (AMEX: AST) declared on Nov. 2, 1990, a dividend of eight cents per share from net investment income to shareholders of record Nov. 12, 1990. Payment date is Nov. 23, 1990. Advised by A I M Advisors, Inc.

CONTACT: John J. Arthur of AIM Advisors Inc., 713-626-1919

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#90306p3091 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
TORONTO (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Royal Oak Resources Ltd. announced today that it has completed its Cdn. $33 million acquisition of control of the Pamour group of companies.

The assets which have been purchased from the secured creditors of Giant Resources Limited of Australia are comprised of 67.1 percent of the outstanding shares of Pamour Inc., 16.6 percent of the outstanding shares of Giant Yellowknife Mines Limited and debt of approximately Cdn. $19.7 million which is now owing from Pamour to Royal Oak. These assets allow Royal Oak to control all of the companies within the Pamour Group, namely Pamour Inc. (TSE) Giant Yellowknife Gold Mines Ltd. (TSE), Pamorex Minerals Inc. (TSE), Akaitcho Yellowknife Gold Mines Ltd. (TSE), Mate Yellowknife Gold Mines Ltd. (COATS) Arctic Precious Metals Inc. and Supercrest Mines Ltd.

As a result of this acquisition, Royal Oak now controls a collection of companies which produce approximately 200,000 ounces of gold per year and have an impressive collection of promising exploration and development properties surrounding the group's two gold mining operations in Timmins, Ontario and Yellowknife, Northwest Territories.

It is Royal Oak's intention to immediately commence proceedings for the amalgamation of Royal Oak and the Pamour Group companies into a single intermediate gold producer.

CONTACT: Steve Manz of Royal Oak Resources, 604-682-8320 (Vancouver); or James B. Clubb, international investor relations of Clubb Associates, 071-490-5558 (London), for Royal Oak Resources

-30- 1741
#90306p3093 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. (LMT) (NASDAQ: LMTS) recently announced the addition of a low cost 400 dpi PostScript-language compatible printer to its Macintosh product line. The LaserMax 400 personal printer will be sold for $1,995. In addition, the company began offering compatibility with AppleTalk(TM) network systems on its

entire Macintosh product line, including the LaserMax 400, starting this month.

The LaserMax 400 was first demonstrated at the 1990 Seybold Computer Publishing Exposition held Oct. 3-5 in San Jose, Calif. The company believes a personal printer that delivers 400 by 400 TurboRes(TM) output, bundled with 50 Type 1 format typefaces at less than $2,000, is a significant advance in printer price/performance for Macintosh users.

LaserMaster Technologies, Inc., designs, manufactures and markets laser printer and display systems and subsystems for high quality electronic printing and desktop publishing applications. LMT's products include high performance printer controllers, plain-paper desktop typesetters and integrated electronic publishing systems which feature the company's proprietary TurboRes resolution enhancement technology.

TurboRes is a patent-pending technology and a trademark of LaserMaster Corporation. Macintosh is a registered trademark of Apple Computer, Inc. PostScript is a registered trademark of Adobe Systems, Inc. All other product and brand names are trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective companies.

CONTACT: Karen Neset of LaserMaster Technologies, Inc., 612-941-8687

-30- 1793

#90306p3099 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - United Merchants and Manufacturers, Inc. (NYSE: UMM) announced today that it and two of its subsidiaries, Jonathan Logan, Inc. and United Merchants Trucking, Inc., have filed petitions for reorganization relief under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Wilmington, Delaware. Victoria Creations, Inc., an 83-percent owned subsidiary of United Merchants, is not involved in the reorganization and will continue to conduct business as usual.

The filing became necessary because the company was not able to repay the principal amount of $11.6 million of an issue of 4 percent convertible subordinated debentures that matured yesterday.

Under court authorization, United Merchants will continue to operate its businesses while the reorganization is pending, and all actions by creditors are stayed. The company will be allowed to use its cash and other resources at the operating level in the ordinary course.

Uzi Ruskin, president and chief executive officer of United Merchants, said that "After a thorough review of all alternatives, the company was compelled to take this action to preserve its assets, provide for continuing operations and protect the interests of its shareholders, creditors, customers, employees and suppliers."

Ruskin continued, "The high level of long-term debt has burdened the company for many years and during the last five years we were able to reduce our indebtedness by $115 million, primarily through asset sales, even in the face of generally adverse business conditions. The company's operations are all operating profitably at the operating income level at this time and in some cases our factories are on a seven day basis.

"We are developing a reorganization plan that will reduce long-term debt to a level that can be supported by continuing operations. Based on preliminary discussions with certain major creditors we are optimistic that our creditors will support such a plan, and that we will be able to emerge expeditiously from Chapter 11 as a financially stable organization."

CONTACT: Victor Danko of United Merchants and Manufacturers, 212-930-3937, or Larry Friedman of Hill and Knowlton, 212-210-8760, for United Merchants and Manufacturers

-30- 2470

#90306p3104 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIBERTY, TX (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Alliance Well Service Inc. (NASDAQ: AWSI) today reported their results of operations for the third quarter of 1990:

ALLIANCE WELL SERVICE INC.

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1989	1990	1989	1990
Revenues	$1,609,000	$ 843,000	$4,950,000	$2,428,000
Net income (loss)	$ (27,000)	$(127,000)	$ (50,000)	$ (346,000)
Earnings (loss) per share	$ --	$ (.01)	$ --	$ (.02)

Gregory E. Fourticq, president of Alliance, stated that the 1989 revenues included the operations of two yards which were subsequently sold in September 1989. All operations are now provided from a single yard in Liberty, Texas.

In mid-July 1990, the company sold five stacked rigs at an auction and incurred an $18,000 loss on the sale. The company now owns 10 rigs and related equipment.

The company, with headquarters in Liberty, provides specialized well completion, maintenance and workover services to the petroleum industry in the East Texas and Texas Gulf Coast area.

CONTACT: Nelson R. Jones of Alliance Well Service, 409-336-8831

-30- 1456
#90306p3118 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (NOV.2) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed Boonslick Savings and Loan Association, Boonville, Mo., in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, Boonslick Federal Savings and Loan Association, will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift, and will operate in conservatorship under the management of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The takeover did not result in any interruption of Boonslick's day-to-day operations. The institution and its two branches in Fayette and California, Mo., will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action, which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

OTS initiated the action because Boonslick was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition in that it had insufficient capital, with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

The institution's condition is due primarily to a high cost of funds, a severely depressed local real estate market and a weak board of directors that had neglected to put investment controls in place.

Three major activities triggered Boonslick's present situation. These were speculative trading in U.S. Treasury futures funded by reverse repurchase agreements; investment in a limited partnership that is troubled and non-earning; and deferral of $2.36 million in losses on the sale of low-interest fixed-rate loans.

The institution is insolvent in that it has negative tangible, core and risk-based capital.

As of June 30, 1990, Boonslick Savings and Loan Association reported assets of $72.8 million, liabilities of $73.2 million and tangible capital of negative $321,000, for a tangible capital-to-assets ratio of negative 0.4 percent.

CONTACT: Jerry Orman, Office of Thrift Supervision, 515-281-1133;
Tom Mason, Office of Thrift Supervision, 202-906-6677

-30- 2234
#90306p3125 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire
LAS VEGAS (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - First Western Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: FWES) Nevada's largest publicly-owned savings and loan holding company, today reported the following results of operation for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990:

FIRST WESTERN FINANCIAL CORP.
Summary of Results

	Three months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Net income	$653,000	$1,241,000
Net income per common share	.10	.20
Average shares outstanding	6,204,000	6,204,000

	Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Net income	$1,071,000	$5,320,000
Net income per common share	.17	.86
Average shares outstanding	6,204,000	6,205,000

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LAS VEGAS, (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - First Western Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: FWES) announced today that the 1990 annual meeting of stockholders, preliminarily scheduled to be held on Nov. 29, 1990, will be rescheduled because of the progress of ongoing negotiations with a potential acquirer regarding an acquisition of First Western.

Raymond J. Gregor, president and chief executive officer of First Western, stated that "The board of directors has determined that it is in the best interests of stockholders to defer the 1990 annual meeting to permit First Western management to focus its efforts on negotiating an acquisition of the company."

First Western announced that a new date for the annual meeting would be set as soon as possible following the successful completion or termination of negotiations. Assuming the successful completion of negotiations, management anticipates that a meeting of stockholders could be held in February of 1991.

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#90306p3129 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced a decrease in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The decrease to $1.00/bbl was effective today at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now

pay:

$33.00 for West Texas Intermediate $31.00 for West Texas Sour $33.50 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E64. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90306p3141 11/02/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (NOV. 2) PR NEWSWIRE - LWAY Productions and Peregrine Entertainment Ltd., LWAY's largest stockholder, jointly announced today that they have entered into an agreement pursuant to which LWAY will acquire certain film and related assets of Peregrine and certain of its subsidiaries, as well as common stock of LWAY held by Peregrine. The Peregrine entities filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code in January, 1989.

Under the terms of the agreement, which provides for a closing on or before Jan. 31, 1990, LWAY agreed to a purchase price of approximately $650,000. LWAY will acquire, among other things, rights to 29 films in the film library of The Peregrine Producer's Group, a subsidiary of Peregrine, and 50 percent of the outstanding shares of LWAY stock which will be canceled upon consummation of the agreement.

In connection with the transaction, Ralph T. Smith (the president and a director of LWAY and an officer of Peregrine), and Harold Brown (a director of LWAY and an officer and director of Peregrine) agreed to purchase approximately 24 million newly-issued shares of stock of LWAY for $350,000, which will represent approximately 44.6 percent of LWAY's outstanding stock.

Also in connection with the transaction, LWAY has agreed to settle certain claims it may have against Exacta Inc. upon transfer from Exacta to LWAY of $400,000 in cash, certain distribution rights to the Peregrine Producers Group films and related accounts receivable. Concurrent with the settlement, LWAY, Exacta and Neil Rosenstein (the president and a director and controlling stockholder of Exacta, and officer and director of Peregrine as well as a director of LWAY) have agreed to mutual releases of any potential claims against each other. In addition, Peregrine and certain of its subsidiaries, on the one hand, and Exacta, Rosenstein and Brown on the other hand, will execute mutual releases of any potential liability against each other. The Peregrine Creditor's Committee negotiated and approved the terms of the sale to LWAY. The bankruptcy court authorized the terms of the LWAY agreement in an overbid hearing held on Oct. 9, 1990.

The agreement with Peregrine is subject to several conditions, including approval of stockholders of LWAY, if required, completion of the proposed Exacta settlement and consummation of the sale of stock to Smith and Brown.

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#90306t0915 11/02/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (NOV. 2) TASS - RUSSIAN PRESIDENT BORIS YELTSIN SIGNED ON THURSDAY A RESOLUTION, ESTABLISHING A FUND FOR RUSSIA'S SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT. THE FUND WILL BE CALLED "REVIVAL".

NOTING THE EXTREMELY GRAVE SITUATION THAT THREATENS TO DISRUPT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SOCIAL PROGRAMMES INTENDED TO MEET VITAL NEEDS OF RUSSIAN CITIZENS, THE RESOLUTION STRESSES THE NEED TO FORM AN EFFECTIVE MECHANISM TO IMPLEMENT RUSSIA'S SOCIAL PROGRAMMES.

A SELF-GOVERNING ORGANISATION, THE FUND WILL ENTER MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL RELATIONS WITH SOVIET ENTERPRISES AND ORGANISATIONS AND FOREIGN INVESTORS AND PARTNERS TO ESTABLISH A FINANCE-AND TRADING COMPANY, A PRODUCTION AND ECONOMIC ASSOCIATION AND AN INTERNATIONAL BANK IN ORDER TO DEVELOP, WITH THEIR ASSISTANCE, PRODUCTION, AGRO-INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL STRUCTURES.

WITH NO ALLOCATIONS FROM THE STATE, THE FUND WILL RELY ON MONEY IT WILL RAISE THROUGH FINANCIAL, COMMERCIAL AND CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES. IT WILL PREPARE AND IMPLEMENT AN EXTENSIVE PLAN OF SOCIAL MEASURES TO EFFECTIVELY HELP CITIZENS AFFECTED BY NATURAL CALAMITIES, DISASTERS AND INTER-ETHNIC CONFLICTS.

IT WILL CONTRIBUTE ON A REGULAR BASIS TO THE SOLUTION OF THE HOUSING, HEALTH, ECOLOGICAL AND TRANSPORT PROBLEMS, AND THE CREATION OF THE INDUSTRY PRODUCING BABY FOOD AND OTHER ESSENTIALS.

THE FUND WILL ACT AS A PATRON AND SUPPLIER OF EFFECTIVE MATERIAL AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO HOMES FOR THE HANDICAPPED AND THE ELDERLY AND CHILDREN'S HOMES AND BOARDING-SCHOOLS.

PLANS ARE BEING DRAWN UP TO RESTORE RUSSIA'S CHURCHES AND HISTORICAL MONUMENTS AND HELP REVIVE NATIONAL CULTURE, SCIENCE AND EDUCATION, AS WELL AS POPULAR CRAFTS.

CITIZENS, ENTERPRISES, FIRMS, OFFICES, PUBLIC AND RELIGIOUS ASSOCIATIONS FROM THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, OTHER SOVIET REPUBLICS AND FOREIGN COUNTRIES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS CAN CONTRIBUTE, ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS, TO THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THE FUND'S TASKS.

-30- 2097
#90306t0929 11/02/1990 ~ts
SVERDLOVSK (NOV. 2) TASS - RESCUE WORKERS ARE SEARCHING FOR TEN PEOPLE MISSING IN THE WRECKAGE OF A CHEMICAL PLANT WORKSHOP NEAR THE URALS CITY OF ASBEST.

THE WORKSHOP WAS ROCKED BY A BLAST ON FRIDAY EVENING. AT LEAST SIX PEOPLE WERE KILLED AND 22 WOUNDED.

ACCORDING TO WORKSHOP PERSONNEL, THE SOURCE OF THE EXPLOSION WAS A TANK WITH PYRANITE, A LIQUEFIED SUBSTANCE PRODUCED IN THE WORKSHOP FOR EXPLOITING ASBESTOS PITS.

PYRANITE EXPLODES ONLY WHEN IT COMES INTO CONTACT WITH CERTAIN GASES.

MANY BELIEVE THE EXPLOSION WAS CAUSED BY VIOLATIONS OF TECHNOLOGICAL PROCEDURES. THE EXACT CAUSE WILL BE NAMED BY A SPECIAL COMMISSION.

DOCTORS AND PLANT MANAGERS SAY THERE IS NO RADIOACTIVE OR CHEMICAL CONTAMINATION DANGER TO THE LOCAL POPULATION.

-30- 921
#90306t0937 11/02/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (NOV. 2) TASS - SOVIET COSMONAUTS GENNADY MANAKOV AND GENNADY STREKALOV HAVE BEGUN THEIR FOURTH MONTH OF WORK IN SPACE.

THIS WEEK'S PLANS INCLUDED, IN ADDITION TO OPERATIONS OUTSIDE THE SPACE STATION, MATERIAL RESEARCH IN WEIGHTLESSNESS AND ASTROPHYSICAL OBSERVATIONS.

THE GALLAR INSTALLATION WAS USED TO MELT MATERIALS TO OBTAIN MONOCRYSTALS OF SEMI-CONDUCTING GALLIUM ARSENIDE.

THE MAGNETIC SPECTROMETER MARIA HELPED IN A SERIES OF EXPERIMENTS AIMED AT STUDYING THE MECHANISM OF ELEMENTARY HIGH ENERGY PARTICLES GENERATION AND THEIR PROLIFERATION IN NEAR-EARTH SPACE.

TODAY, MANAKOV AND STREKALOV UNDERGO MEDICAL TESTS, WHICH INCLUDE BEING WEIGHED, TESTING MUSCLE STRENGTH AFTER THREE MONTHS IN SPACE, BLOOD ANALYSIS AND AUDIO TESTS.

DURING ONE OF THE COMMUNICATION SESSIONS, A SPACE TELEVISION BRIDGE WAS ESTABLISHED, LINKING THE MISSION CONTROL CENTRE, THE SPACE STATION AND TOKYO. COSMONAUT TRAINING CENTRE CHIEF LIEUTENANT-GENERAL SHATALOV INTRODUCED THE SOVIET-JAPANESE CREWS NOW GOING THROUGH THE FINAL STAGE OF PREPARATION FOR A SPACE MISSION -- SOVIET COSMONAUTS VIKTOR AFANASYEV, MUSA MANAROV, ANATOLY ARTSEBARSKY AND SERGEI KRIKALEV AND JAPANESE JOURNALISTS TOEHIRO AKIYAMA AND REKO KIKUTI.

-30- 1386
#90306t0953 11/02/1990 ~ts
KISHINEV (NOV. 2) TASS - ONE POLICE OFFICER WAS WOUNDED IN A SHOOT OUT BETWEEN POLICE AND MOLDAVIAN VOLUNTEERS IN THE CITY OF DYBOSSARY IN EASTERN MOLDAVIA EARLY TODAY.

IN TIRASPOL AT LEAST 2,000 WORKERS FORMED UNITS TO HELP DUBOSSARY RESIDENTS.

SIX PEOPLE WERE KILLED AND 30 WOUNDED IN FIGHTING THAT RAGED INBETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF LUNGA AND DUBOSSARY, DEPUTY DUBOSSARY MAYOR ALEXANDER POROJAN TOLD TASS BY TELEPHONE AT 19:30 MOSCOW TIME TODAY.

-30- 598
#90306t0955 11/02/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (NOV. 2) TASS - PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV HAS SIGNED A DECREE TO ESTABLISH A FEDERAL-REPUBLICAN FOREIGN CURRENCY FUND TO GUARANTEE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE COUNTRY WILL PAY BACK ITS EXTERNAL LIABILITIES.

THE DECREE "ON SPECIAL PROCEDURES FOR USING FOREIGN-CURRENCY RESOURCES IN 1991", WHICH WAS PUBLISHED HERE TODAY, PROVIDES FOR THE FUND TO BE FORMED WITH DEDUCTIONS FROM THE EXPORT REVENUE OF ENTERPRISES, AMALGAMATIONS AND ORGANISATIONS, EXCLUDING JOINT VENTURES.

IT WILL SERVE TO MEET PRIORITY ECONOMIC AND CONSUMER NEEDS, PUT FOREIGN CURRENCY RESOURCES TO EFFICIENT USE, AND CREATE CONDITIONS FOR THE GUARANTEED SOVIET REPAYMENT OF FOREIGN DEBTS, THE DECREE SAYS.

IT ESTABLISHES A FEDERAL-REPUBLICAN FOREIGN CURRENCY COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF HEADS OF GOVERNMENT FROM CONSTITUENT REPUBLICS AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FEDERAL CABINET'S STATE FOREIGN ECONOMIC COMMISSION.

THE COMMITTEE WILL WORK OUT AND COORDINATE FOREIGN CURRENCY AND IMPORT POLICIES, DISTRIBUTE THE FUND'S RESOURCES AMONG PRIORITY PROJECTS, MONITOR EFFORTS ENSURING THAT SOVIET FOREIGN LIABILITIES ARE PAID OFF, MAP OUT MEASURES TO DEVELOP THE COUNTRY'S EXPORT POTENTIAL, AND DEAL WITH OTHER NATIONWIDE ISSUES OF FOREIGN CURRENCY REGULATION.

THE DECREE BINDS ENTERPRISES, AMALGAMATIONS AND ORGANISATIONS REGARDLESS OF BY WHOM THEY ARE OWNED AND DEPARTMENTAL AND TERRITORIAL AFFILIATION, BUT EXCLUDING JOINT VENTURES, IN 1991 TO SELL THE BANK FOR FOREIGN ECONOMIC AFFAIRS 40 PER CENT OF THEIR FOREIGN CURRENCY EXPORT REVENUE FOR ROUBLES AT THE COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE RATE OF THE USSR STATE BANK IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE REPAYMENT OF THE SOVIET FOREIGN DEBT.

THE DECREE INSTRUCTS ENTERPRISES, AMALGAMATIONS AND ORGANISATIONS -- AFTER THE

MANDATORY SALE OF FOREIGN CURRENCY FOR PAYING OFF THE FOREIGN DEBT AND THE FORMATION OF THEIR OWN FOREIGN CURRENCY FUNDS -- TO SELL 90 PER CENT OF THE REMAINING FOREIGN CURRENCY REVENUE TO THE FEDERAL-REPUBLICAN FOREIGN CURRENCY FUND AND THE OTHER TEN PER CENT TO THE FOREIGN CURRENCY FUNDS OF CONSTITUENT REPUBLICS AND LOCAL COUNCILS FOR ROUBLES AT THE COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE RATE OF THE USSR STATE BANK.

UNDER THE DECREE, THE SETTING OF EXPORT AND IMPORT QUOTAS AND THE LICENSING OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS FROM 1991 WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE FEDERAL-REPUBLIC REGIME OF REGULATION.

QUOTAS ON PRODUCTS OF NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE (OIL, GAS, GOLD, DIAMONDS, OTHER GEMS, SPECIAL-PURPOSE MACHINERY AND SOME OTHER GOODS ENUMERATED IN A LIST AGREED WITH CONSTITUENT REPUBLICS) WILL BE SET BY FEDERAL AGENCIES.

IN KEEPING WITH THE DECREE, ALL PAYMENTS UNDER FOREIGN ECONOMIC TRANSACTIONS IN 1991 WILL BE MADE THROUGH THE BANK FOR FOREIGN ECONOMIC AFFAIRS OR OTHER AUTHORISED BANKS.

-30- 2905

#90306t0964 11/02/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (NOV. 2) TASS - PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV, ADDRESSING STUDENTS AT A MEETING IN THE KREMLIN ON THURSDAY, FAVOURED THE IDEA OF CREATING A SPECIAL BODY DEALING WITH THE PROBLEMS OF STUDENTS.

GORBACHEV SAID THAT SOVIET YOUTH ARE CALLED UPON TO PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF SOVIET SOCIETY. HE SAID THAT THIS SOCIETY HAS VAST OPPORTUNITIES. BECAUSE OF ITS EXPANSES AND MANPOWER IT CAN BE ONE OF THE MOST DYNAMIC SOCIETIES AND THE STATE CAN BE AMONG THE MOST FLOURISHING.

AT THE SAME TIME, "ALL THIS DOES NOT PREVENT ONE FROM REALISING THE ACUTENESS OF THE PRESENT SITUATION, THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL INSTABILITY, ALMOST CHAOS, AND PAINFUL PROCESSES OF THE TRANSFORMATION OF A MULTIETHNIC STATE," GORBACHEV SAID.

"THIS IS A DECISIVE MOMENT, PERHAPS THE MOST IMPORTANT MOMENT IN NATIONAL HISTORY," GORBACHEV SAID. "THE MONTHS AHEAD WILL SEE THE TRANSITION TO A MARKET, WHICH WILL LAST A YEAR AND A HALF. MUCH SHOULD HAPPEN BEFORE NEXT AUTUMN."

GORBACHEV NOTED THAT THERE EXISTS THE DANGER OF DESTABILISATION.

"THERE IS NO ROOM FOR RETREAT. IF RETREAT CONTINUES, THE ECONOMY, STATE, POLITICAL STRUCTURES WILL DISINTEGRATE," GORBACHEV SAID. IN THIS CONNECTION, THE PRESIDENT BELIEVES THAT "SOME MEASURES OF A STRICT POLITICAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE CHARACTER BASED, NATURALLY, ON LEGALITY" SHOULD BE TAKEN.

VERY SERIOUS MEASURES TO CURB THE GROWTH OF MONETARY INCOMES AND RESTORE THE BALANCE BETWEEN THE CIRCULATION OF MONEY AND THE MASS OF COMMODITIES ARE TO BE TAKEN. IF THE PLANNED ACTIONS PROVE INEFFECTIVE AND THE SITUATION IS NOT STABILISED, EVEN STRICTER MEASURES SHOULD BE TAKEN," THE PRESIDENT SAID. "BUT THE SITUATION SHOULD BE TAKEN UNDER CONTROL WITHIN SEVERAL MONTHS SO THAT POSITIVE TASKS COULD BE RESOLVED IN A NORMAL WAY AND NEW FORMS OF ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL LIFE BE DEVELOPED IN A BALANCED FRAMEWORK".

REGARDING THE FORTHCOMING ANNIVERSARY OF THE OCTOBER REVOLUTION, GORBACHEV SAID: "WE ARE FOR PRESERVING TRADITIONS. THE CELEBRATION OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE GREAT OCTOBER SOCIALIST REVOLUTION IS ONE OF THESE TRADITIONS". HE SAID THAT SOVIET SOCIETY "INTENDS TO IMPLEMENT ALL TRANSFORMATIONS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF SOCIALIST CHOICE." "OUR AIM IS SOCIALISM UNDERSTOOD CREATIVELY, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE COUNTRY'S EXPERIENCE, THE EXPERIENCE OF CIVILISATION AND TODAY'S OPPORTUNITIES," GORBACHEV SAID.

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#90306t0974 11/02/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (NOV. 2) TASS - THE 24-HOUR HUNGER STRIKE BY A GROUP OF MOSCOW STUDENTS NEAR THE CENTRAL EXHIBITION HALL, NOT FAR FROM THE KREMLIN, HAS ENDED. THE STUDENTS DEMANDED THE RESIGNATION OF THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT, THE NATIONALISATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE YOUNG COMMUNIST LEAGUE AND COMMUNIST PARTY, THE DEPOLITISATION OF ALL SPHERES OF LIFE AND THE INTRODUCTION OF AN ALTERNATIVE MILITARY SERVICE.

THE HUNGER STRIKE WAS CALLED BY TWO RECENTLY ESTABLISHED INFORMAL STUDENT ORGANISATIONS -- THE MOSCOW STUDENT CLUB AND THE "ECHO" COMMITTEE FOR FOUNDING A YOUTH SOLIDARITY PARTY -- AND INVOLVED ABOUT 60 STUDENTS.

"THERE ARE NO POLITICAL OR EXTREMEST FORCES BEHIND US. THE DECISION TO GO ON A HUNGER STRIKE WAS TAKEN BY US INDEPENDENTLY," ANDREI MILLER, ONE OF THE LEADERS OF THE MOSCOW STUDENT CLUB, EMPHASISED IN A TASS INTERVIEW. ACCORDING TO THE STRIKERS, THERE WERE NO "EXCESSES" BETWEEN THEM AND MILITIA.

"WE ATTAINED ONE OF THE GOALS OF THE HUNGER STRIKE -- DREW PUBLIC ATTENTION TO OUR PROTEST ACTION," ALEXEI KIRYUSHIN, CO-CHAIRMAN OF THE MOSCOW STUDENT CLUB, TOLD TASS.

ASKED ABOUT FURTHER PLANS OF STUDENTS, HE SAID THAT STUDENTS HAVE NOT PLANNED ANY ACTION FOR THE NEAR FUTURE. IN PARTICULAR, THEY DO NOT INTEND TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY ACTIONS ON NOVEMBER 7, IN ORDER TO AVOID "BECOMING A PAWN IN ANYONE'S GAME," KIRYUSHIN SAID.

THE HUNGER STRIKERS TAKE VARIOUS VIEWS OF THE MEETING ON THURSDAY BETWEEN PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND REPRESENTATIVES OF STUDENTS. MOST STRIKERS BELIEVE THAT THOSE WHO WERE PRESENT DURING THE MEETING "WERE NOT GENUINE SPOKESPEOPLE FOR THE INTERESTS OF STUDENTS" AND THAT "THE MEETING WAS UNLIKELY

TO HELP RESOLVE THE PROBLEMS OF STUDENTS."

VLADIMIR AFANASYEV, INSTRUCTOR AT THE IDEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE, YEVGENY SAVOSTYANOV, ASSISTANT TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MOSCOW CITY SOVIET, AND GENNADY YAGODIN, CHAIRMAN OF THE USSR STATE COMMITTEE FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION, CAME TO THE HUNGER STRIKERS ON THURSDAY AND TALKED WITH THEM.

-30- 2191
#90306t0977 11/02/1990 ~ts
KHARKOV (NOV. 2) TASS - SOVIET AND AMERICAN SCIENTISTS HAVE MADE JOINTLY AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARDS CONTROLLED THERMONUCLEAR SYNTHESIS. THIS WAS SHOWN BY A SOVIET-AMERICAN SEMINAR ON THE THEORY OF PLASMA INSTALLATIONS --STELLARATORS, THAT ENDED HERE TODAY. IT WAS ORGANISED ON THE BASIS OF THE LOCAL PHYSICAL-TECHNICAL INSTITUTE WORKING UNDER THE UKRAINIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES.

"OUR SPECIALISTS HAVE CREATED AND STARTED TO TEST STAGE BY STAGE THE HIGH-TEMPERATURE URAGAN-2M TORSOTRON OF A NEW DESIGN," DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE O. PAVLICHENKO SAID. "IN DEEP VACUUM AND IN A STRONG MAGNETIC FIELD PLASMA WILL BE KEPT IN THE INSTALLATION, WHOSE TEMPERATURE WILL REACH 20 MILLION DEGREES. ACCORDING TO CALCULATIONS, THE HETEROGENEOUS NATURE OF THE MAGNETIC FIELD WILL BE REDUCED TO THE MINIMUM, THE MAXIMUM HEATING OF PLASMA WILL BE ENSURED AND ENERGY CONSUMPTION WILL BE REDUCED."

SOVIET AND AMERICAN THEORETICIANS ESTABLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE HELP OF MATHEMATICS THE OPTIMAL WORKING REGIMES OF THE INSTALLATION AND MADE UNNECESSARY THE PAINSTAKING CHECKING OF THE WAYS OF EXPLOITATION OF THE EQUIPMENT THAT LACK PERSPECTIVE.

EXPERIMENTS IN PLASMA PHYSICS ARE VERY EXPENSIVE. THIS IS WHY IT IS IMPORTANT TO POOL THE EFFORTS OF SPECIALISTS FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES, SAID BENJAMIN CARRERAS, A PROMINENT AMERICAN SCIENTIST, A SENIOR RESEARCH WORKER AT THE THERMONUCLEAR BRANCH OF THE OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LABORATORY, TENNESSEE. THE KHARKOV TORSOTRON MAKES IT POSSIBLE TO CONDUCT VARIOUS EXPERIMENTS, FOR WHICH OTHER INSTALLATIONS CANNOT BE USED. ALTHOUGH COMPUTERS MADE MOST COMPLICATED CALCULATIONS FOR THE TORSOTRON AND SIMILAR INSTALLATIONS, THEY CANNOT GRASP THE TRUE MEANING OF PHYSICAL PROCESSES. THIS IS WHY THE NECESSITY AROSE TO DISCUSS THE OBTAINED RESULTS AND SOME TOPICAL PROBLEMS. I BELIEVE THAT URAGAN-2M BECAME AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL STELLARATOR PROGRAMME, HE SAID. ASIDE FROM THE SOVIET UNION, THE UNITED STATES, JAPAN, GERMANY, SPAIN AND AUSTRALIA ARE TAKING PART IN ITS IMPLEMENTATION.

-30- 2217
#90306u0007 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 2) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	6	1	0	.857	187	136	4-1	W-5
Miami	6	1	0	.857	152	90	5-0	W-4
New York Jets	3	5	0	.375	151	190	1-3	W-1
Indianapolis	2	5	0	.286	105	162	0-3	L-2
New England	1	6	0	.143	100	196	1-4	L-5

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	5	3	0	.625	205	204	1-1	L-1
Houston	4	4	0	.500	181	152	1-1	L-1
Pittsburgh	4	4	0	.500	150	138	1-1	W-1
Cleveland	2	6	0	.250	128	193	1-1	L-3

WEST

LA Raiders	6	1	0	.857	147	99	4-0	W-2
Kansas City	4	3	0	.571	167	114	0-2	L-1
Denver	3	4	0	.429	168	178	2-1	W-1
Seattle	3	4	0	.429	144	135	1-3	W-1
San Diego	3	5	0	.375	164	142	0-1	W-1

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	7	0	0	1.000	171	96	6-0	W-7
Washington	4	3	0	.571	144	103	4-2	L-1
Philadelphia	3	4	0	.429	151	152	1-3	W-1
Dallas	3	5	0	.375	110	156	0-5	L-1
Phoenix	2	5	0	.286	100	172	2-3	L-2

CENTRAL

Chicago	6	1	0	.857	173	96	3-0	W-3
Tampa Bay	4	4	0	.500	157	182	4-0	W-1
Detroit	3	4	0	.429	168	179	1-3	W-1
Green Bay	3	4	0	.429	127	156	2-3	W-1
Minnesota	1	6	0	.143	150	159	0-4	L-5

WEST

San Francisco	7	0	0	1.000	174	118	3-0	W-7
Atlanta	3	4	0	.429	199	200	1-3	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	2	5	0	.286	174	214	1-0	L-1
New Orleans	2	5	0	.286	115	150	0-2	L-2

-30- 2166
#90306u0014 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (NOV. 1) UPI - Two time bombs apparently planted as a protest against next week's coronation of Japan's new emperor ripped through a police dormitory, killing an officer and wounding six others, police said Friday.

The attack occurred as police reinforced security prior to the Nov. 12 enthronement ceremony for Emperor Akihito, which will be attended by more than 100 world leaders, including U.S. Vice President Dan Quayle.

Police said leftist extremists who have vowed to disrupt the coronation ceremony were apparently responsible for the bombing.

A spokesman for the MPD said the first explosion occurred at a garbage storage of the Seiwa Dormitory for policemen in the busy Shinjuku District at 10:53 p.m. Thursday. It was followed by another explosion five minutes later, the official said.

The explosions, which caused damage to the five-story dormitory, sent nearby residents dashing to the streets.

Police officer Ko Aoki, 48, who was on a patrol mission around the dormitory was fatally wounded by debris from the first explosion, the spokesman said.

Six people, including four policemen and two employes at the dormitory, were injured in the second explosion, the official said.

The Metropolitan Police Department said about 37,000 uniformed officers and plain clothesmen have been deployed at key posts, including the moated Imperial Palace, to guard against violence by extremists before and during the coronation cermony.

Police said two other time bombs planted on a steel net fence around the dormitory went off but caused no injuries.

-30- 1755
#90306u0064 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 2) UPI - The State Department says economic sanctions are beginning to seriously affect Iraq's economy, but have NOT weakened Saddam Hussein's resolve to hold onto Kuwait. President Bush says he desperately wants a peaceful solution but will NOT compromise with Saddam.

A Palestine Liberation Organization official offered an olive branch on Iraq's behalf Thursday. The P-L-O official said Iraq will free all four-thousand hostages if it gets a guarantee there WON'T be any military action to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis.

Voter turn-out Tuesday might be the lowest in a half-century. A non- partisan study of voter registration figures projects that slightly more than one-third of the nation's eligible voters will cast ballots. The Committee for the Study of the American Electorate made the prediction.

Two time bombs exploded in Tokyo Thursday night... killing one police officer and wounding six others. The bombs exploded in a police dormitory. Police say the bombs apparently were planted as a protest against next week's coronation of Japan's new emperor. Leftist extremists have vowed to disrupt the ceremony.

A stick of dynamite exploded near the French Embassy in Beirut Thursday. But police say the dynamite did NOT hurt anyone and did NOT cause much damage. The explosion occurred outside an UNfinished building about 600 yards from the embassy's main gate.

Alaska finished its own 1990 clean-up of last year's oil spill Thursday. Clean-up coordinator Ernie Piper says the six-week state effort that followed Exxon's own clean-up gathered more than 150 tons of oily gravel and debris. Exxon will get the bill.

Another major Hollywood studio is foreign-owned. Pathe Communications' purchase of M-G-M-U-A was completed Thursday. Pathe's Italian owner will be chairman and chief executive officer. The M-G-M-U- A deal had a one-BILLION 360-Million dollar price-tag.

15 people have been indicted on racketeering charges in Seattle. They are suspected of running a nation-wide fraud scheme that bilked banks, businesses and individuals out of Millions of dollars. Officials say the group made a series of fraudulent real estate, equipment leasng and fraud transactions.

Environmentalists are celebrating a victory. McDonald's will quit using plastic foam sandwich boxes. Instead, it will use paper-based wrapping. The Environmental Defense Fund says McDonald's will reduce the volume of its trash from packaging by 90 percent.

A would-be robber ended up sort of a victim in Toledo, Ohio. The man pulled a gun in a convenience store and demanded money. But he became distracted long enough for the store owner to pull out his own gun. The store owner then made the would-be robber call police.

-30- 2919

#90306u0082 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (NOV. 2) UPI - Atlantis may be ready for launch on a secret military mission as early as Nov. 15, no more than six days behind schedule, if work to fix problems with the ship's spy satellite payload goes well, sources say.

In addition, NASA managers are leaning toward waiving an internal agency rule requiring three weeks between shuttle flights, a move that would allow the recently repaired shuttle Columbia to take off on schedule around Nov. 30.

One usually reliable source said agency officials decided Thursday to waive the rule, but that could not be immediately confirmed.

Atlantis and its five-man all-military crew were cleared Tuesday for blastoff on the 37th shuttle mission the night of Nov. 9 to carry a Pentagon spy satellite into orbit. But the Air Force announced an indefinite delay Wednesday, citing problems with the classified payload.

Sources initially said the flight faced a delay of at least a week to 10 days and possibly more than two weeks. Officials who asked not to be named said Thursday, however, that the problem did not appear to be as serious as they first believed and that Atlantis might be ready for flight as early as Nov. 15.

But under a Pentagon-imposed security blanket, NASA officials refused to discuss possible launch dates Thursday, saying when Atlantis takes off is up to the Air Force.

Engineers at nearby launch pad 39B, meanwhile, are readying the shuttle Columbia for blastoff on a 10-day astronomy mission that has been delayed since May by a series of hyrogen fuel leaks.

Before Atlantis was grounded, NASA managers hoped to launch Columbia around Nov. 30 in line with an internal space agency rule requiring three weeks between shuttle missions so data from one flight can be analyzed before launching the next.

But if NASA officials waive the three-week rule - and Atlantis takes off Nov. 15 - engineers at the Kennedy Space Center would be faced with launching two space shuttles within 15 days. But because Atlantis's mission is a classified Department of Defense flight, details about scheduling are difficult to confirm.

Even so, shuttle program director Robert Crippen said in a statement Thursday that Atlantis - mission STS-38 - still has priority over Columbia.

''At this time, we are continuing to proceed with the schedule to fly STS-38 before (Columbia),'' he said. ''I am optimistic about flying (Columbia) sometime in December.''

Crippen did not address the three-week rule, saying only that Columbia would not be launched on mission STS-35 until data from Atlantis's flight can be studied.

''A specific target launch date for (Columbia) will not be determined until after the flight readiness review has been conducted and performance data from the STS-38 mission has been analyzed,'' he said.

NASA managers are now in the final stages of developing a 1991 launch schedule and while the flight sequence appears to be solid, the dates may yet change. Here is a preliminary schedule of major 1991 events:

-March 7: Shuttle Discovery; Payload: Four unclassified Air Force experiments.

-April 11: Shuttle Atlantis; Payload: Gamma Ray Observatory.

-May 7: The new shuttle Endeavour is delivered to the Kennedy Space Center.

-May 16: Shuttle Columbia; Payload: Spacelab science module.

-July 11: Shuttle Discovery; Payload: A NASA Tracking and Data Relay comunications satellite.

-Aug. 4: Columbia is ferried to a Rockwell International facility in Palmdale, Calif., for five months of major modifications.

-Aug. 15: Shuttle Atlantis; Payload: An Air Force Defense Support Program early warning satellite.

-Nov. 14: Shuttle Discovery; Payload: An atmospheric research satellite.

-Dec. 12: Shuttle Atlantis; Payload: A materials processing Spacelab mission.

A final manifest is expected to be announced after new launch dates are set for the upcoming flights of Atlantis and Columbia.

In a two-sentence statement released Wednesday, the Air Force said Atlantis's flight would be delayed ''to resolve anomalies discovered during cargo testing. Details are classified and it's too early to predict a new launch date.''

Because the payload and all other details about the 37th shuttle mission are classified, it was not immediately possible to determine the nature of the problem or whether it involved the satellite or on-board support equipment.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BOXING

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Albany, N.Y. - Art Tucker vs. Elijah Tillery

BASKETBALL

Cleveland at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Orlando at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Miami, 8 p.m.
Milwaukee at Detroit, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Golden State at Denver, 9:30 p.m.
Sacramento at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Houston at Portland, 10:30 p.m.
Phoenix vs. Utah at Tokyo, 11 p.m.

GOLF

Hanno City, Japan - $550,000 Mazda Japan Classic
Tokyo - $1.15 million PGA Four Tours World Championship

HARNESS RACING
Pompano Beach, Fla. - Breeders Crown

HOCKEY

NY Islanders at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Washington, 8:05 p.m.

TENNIS

Nashville, Tenn. - $150,000 Virginia Slims of Nashville
Oakland, Calif. - $350,000 Virginia Slims of California
Paris - $2 million Paris Open

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(NOV. 2) UPI - President Bush is spending the night in Cincinnati after the first day of a six-day campaign swing on behalf of Republican candidates across the country. Bush stumped in Massachusetts and Florida Thursday. He'll start Friday's activities in Ohio with a campaign breakfast for the G-O-P nominee for governor, George Voinovich.

One of the nation's few Hispanic judges is under a six-month prison sentence. Congress is likely to impeach U-S District Judge Robert Aguilar, unless he

resigns. Aguilar was sentenced Thursday for lying to the F-B-I and disclosing wiretap information to a mobster. He accuses federal agents of persecuting him for his liberal rulings.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher has lost the last original member of her cabinet. Thatcher's deputy prime minister, Geoffrey Howe, resigned Thursday because he disagrees with her resistance to the European Community's economic unity strategy. Howe had been in Thatcher's cabinet since she became prime minister 11 years ago.

A special commission will determine if Canadians want to remain citizens of one country. The commission appointed by Prime Minister Brian Mulroney will hold public hearings during the next several months. It will report its findings July 1st... Canada's 124th birthday. Mulroney says Canada is in danger of fracturing along linguistic and regional lines.

A drug company has issued a recall. The Food and Drug Administration says some asthma drug may have been mis-labeled as a cold remedy for children. The F-D-A says some bottles of a bronchodilator may have been packaged and labeled as a drug used to treat cough and upper respiratory problems in children. Pharmaceutical Basics Incorporated recalled three lots of medicine.

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The F-D-A says parents should check the children's drug to make sure it's purple with a grape flavor and odor. The incorrect medication is yellow.

The grave of a former slave who spent his life caring for the sick and poor... including his former owners... is being dug up in New York City. Pierre Toussaint might become the first black American saint. Toussaint's name can be translated as ''all saints'' in French. And even though the exhumation began on All Saints Day, Cardinal John O'Connor says it was a coincidence.

A man who was trying to become the first to fly a floatplane around the world almost made it. But he crashed Thursday night in the waters off the Aleutian Islands. Tom Casey of Seattle is reported in good condition. The Federal Aviation Administration says it does NOT know yet why Casey had to ditch his single-engine Cessna 206.

A dentist in Madeira, Ohio, will be in the market for trick-or-treat candy Friday. Dr. Michael Shane will offer children one-dollar 25 cents a pound for candy they collected on Halloween. The dentist plans to throw away the soft candy, but he'll keep the hard candy to send to the troops in the Persian Gulf. Besides money, children will get toothbrushes, stickers, and sugarless gum.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - The waiting game in the Persian Gulf entered its fourth month Friday with Iraq offering to let families visit Western hostages during the holidays and President Bush denying he was preparing the American people for war.

The government of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein denied Thursday that it was mistreating the foreign hostages it has been holding to discourage any possible military attack since it invaded oil-rich Kuwait on Aug. 2.

Bush sharpened his rhetoric during campaign stops in Massachusetts and Florida dismissing Saddam's pledge to allow holiday visitors for the hostages and saying, ''I don't think he'll win the humanitarian award for this.''

The president warned that the time for diplomatic pressure was running short but also denied he was ''trying to prepare our country for war'' and declared he ''desperately'' wanted a peaceful resolution to the gulf crisis.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters that Bush is speaking out because ''if we have to take dramatic action, we want the American people to know why.''

''We want to prepare the American people for every eventuality,'' Fitzwater said, but he quickly added that the administration still hopes the gulf crisis will be resolved peacefully.

The State Department, meanwhile, said the U.N.-backed economic sanctions are beginning to seriously affect Iraq's economy but have not had any real effect on Saddam's resolve to end his 4-month-old occupation of Kuwait.

Reacting to Saddam's offer to let relatives see the hostages at Christmas, Fitzwater asked, ''Why doesn't he let the hostages come home? That would be the best way, or better yet, Thanksgiving.'' Fitzwater said he had no guidance on whether Americans should accept Iraq's offer.

Britain's Foreign Office called the offer ''cynical propaganda.'' However, an official at the Iraqi Embassy in London said two families had contacted the mission about obtaining visas to Iraq.

''It's a disgraceful example of Iraq exploiting the feelings of relatives of hostages at a time of particular importance of family life, that is, Christmas '' a British official said. ''All hostages should be freed immediately.''

A source at Iraq's Foreign Minister told the official Iraqi News Agency, ''The British Foreign Office reaction to this humanitarian position reflects the impudent colonialist mentality in dealing with affairs.''

Iraq announced it would release four sick U.S. hostages after intervention

from the American-Arab Fellowship for reconciliation.

''President Saddam Hussein has ordered the release of four sick American guests hosted by Iraq in response to an appeal by the visiting delegation of the American-Arab fellowship for reconciliation,'' the INA report said.

A top Palestine Liberation Organization official in Amman, Jordan, said Iraq would free all the hostages if it is guaranteed there will be no military action to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis. The PLO official said Iraq also wants assurances that discussions for a political solution will begin.

Iraq's Foreign Ministry told its embassies around the world to issue visas to families of foreign nationals held at economic and military installations. Iraqi forces seized the foreigners after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent U.S.-led international military buildup in Saudi Arabia.

''The Foreign Ministry issued instructions to ... grant entry visas to Iraq to families of the foreigners hosted in Iraqi vital installations if they wanted to visit them on the occasion of Christmas and New Year's,'' the Iraqi News Agency said.

The offer came a day after Bush said he had ''had it'' with Iraq's treatment of the captive Americans.

INA quoted an official spokesman as denying charges the foreigners, estimated to number slightly fewer than 4,000, were being mistreated, and he accused the United States of using the situation as a pretext for a possible military strike. There are about 700 American men in Kuwait and Iraq.

''The U.S. administration tends to escalate the situation in the region through fabricating pretexts and lies to prepare for a military aggression against Iraq,'' INA quoted an official spokesman as saying.

An Iraqi newspaper confirmed reports Thursday that Iraq was in the ''highest state of preparedness for a battle.''

In other developments:

-NATO said eight ships from alliance nations are preparing to sail for the eastern Mediterranean to support the multinational forces in the gulf.

-The bodies of 10 U.S. sailors killed in a boiler room explosion aboard the USS Iwo Jima were brought back to Dover Air Force Base, Del.

-Denmark's former Social Democratic Prime Minister Anker Jorgensen said he will travel to Baghdad in an attempt to negotiate the release of 22 Danish hostages.

-Episcopalian Cardinal Albert Decourtray, the archbishop of Lyon, said that if the choice in the gulf is between war and injustice he would choose war.

-Britain's Queen Elizabeth added her voice to the international condemnation of Saddam, declaring his invasion of Kuwait would not be allowed to succeed.

-Switzerland allowed an Iraqi Airways cargo aircraft to land at Geneva to pick up 15 tons of drugs and other medical supplies.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	11	3	0	22	64	34
New Jersey	8	5	1	17	54	46
Philadelphia	7	6	0	14	50	49
Washington	7	7	0	14	43	45
Pittsburgh	6	6	1	13	61	53
NY Islanders	3	9	0	6	31	54

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	7	4	2	16	42	46
Montreal	7	6	1	15	46	46
Hartford	4	7	2	10	32	44
Buffalo	3	5	4	10	39	39
Quebec	3	8	3	9	40	59

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	9	5	0	18	49	34
St. Louis	8	4	1	17	47	38
Detroit	7	4	3	17	56	52
Minnesota	2	9	3	7	38	58
Toronto	2	11	1	5	38	66

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	10	4	0	20	60	40
Los Angeles	9	3	1	19	61	41
Vancouver	7	6	0	14	39	41
Winnipeg	5	8	1	11	43	44
Edmonton	2	7	2	6	29	32

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 2) UPI - President Bush, his GOP coattails apparently shredded, insists he isn't concerned by the big drop in his polls.

''When things were soaring like eagles, I said 'Don't believe in polls.' And now, I think I'm entitled to say the same thing,'' said Bush, on a six-day cross-country tour for fellow Republicans in next Tuesday's election.

''We'll be all right,'' Bush said Thursday during a stop in Orlando, Fla. Maybe. But polls show Bush has fallen from public favor, in large part, because of the sluggish economy and the big budget fiasco in Washington that ended in a White House-approved, tax-raising spending package - opposed by most Republicans in the Democrat-dominated Congress.

A Newsweek poll released Sunday showed Bush with the lowest approval rating of his administration, 48 percent, down by more than 20 points from just a month ago.

Bush, politically battered and bruised but displaying plenty of spirit, was to appear at a GOP fundraiser in Cincinnati Friday, and then go on to Republican events in Rochester, Minn., Sioux City, Iowa, and Thousand Oaks, Calif. The president also plans to make a campaign stop in New Mexico and then spend a few days on the political stump in his adopted homestate of Texas.

He is to return to Washington next Tuesday, Election Day.

Ohio Democrats are crowing that they have made significant gains in the state's gubernatorial race due to the president's big fall.

But Republican nominee George Voinovich, former mayor of Cleveland, still holds the lead over Democrat Anthony Celebrezze, and insists Bush remains a campaign plus in Ohio.

''We're saying in a loud and clear voice that the welcome mat is out for the president,'' said Brian Berry, head of the Ohio Republican Party. ''We're running towards George Bush, not away from him.''

Bush, on campaign stops Thursday in Massachusetts and Florida, again blamed Democrats for the tax increases and said he could have gotten a better budget deal if there were more Republicans in Congress.

''We need more Republicans at every level of government,'' he declared.

Last year, with Bush's polls near a record 80 percent, Republicans saw the 1990 election as a good chance to win some more seats in Congress.

But now, with Bush polls down, those hopes have been virtually dashed, and Republicans are hoping to hold even or at least keep losses below double-digits.

Democrats now hold a 248-175 margin in the House, with two vacancies, and a 55-45 lead in the Senate. They also have the most governors, 29 to 21.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Chicago's Steve Larmer was armed with a new contract Thursday night to help lead the Blackhawks to victory. Boston's Cam Neely led the Bruins to a triumpharmed with a new look.

At Chicago, Larmer scored his 11th and 12th goals of the season to stave off a Quebec comeback and give the Blackhawks a 6-2 victory over the Nordiques.

Meanwhile at Boston Garden, Neely overcame the restrictions of a protective shield to cover his broken nose and swollen face to score his second goal 3:14 into overtime, liftting the Bruins to a controversial 3-2 victory over the St. Louis Blues.

''It feels great,'' said Neely, still with one very black eye and a discolored face under both eyes after his operation to correct the broken nose last Saturday. ''But I don't like to have to go through all this just to get a couple of goals.''

Like Boston's last home victory, last night's triumph was tainted with a non-goal controversy.

With 8:02 to play in the third period, St. Louis winger Rich Sutter took a slap shot from the right circle that hit the crossbar and dropped straight down at the red line.

The St. Louis players on the ice argued the puck crossed the goal line. Referee Kerry Fraser, after speaking with goal judge Vic Rasmussen, ruled the puck hit the crossbar and did not cross the line. Replays were inconclusive.

''There shouldn't have been overtime - plain and simple,'' St. Louis Coach Brian Sutter said. ''You could shoot 100 pucks at the crossbar and it'll never come out like that again.''

Last Saturday, Chicago appeared to tie the game in the closing seconds, but referee Andy vanHellemond ruled the puck did not cross the line and time expired. Boston won 5-4, leading Blackhawks Coach Mike Keenan to label the Bruins' off-ice officials ''cheaters.''

There was no doubt in Chicago's victory over Quebec after Larmer scored two third-period goals after the Nordiques had closed within 3-2.

Larmer, who Tuesday signed a four-year contract worth a reported $3.1 million, gave Chicago some breathing room by beating goaltender Ron Tugnutt from the right circle with 12:40 left. Jeremy Roenick, who earlier scored a goal, set up Larmer with a nice pass through the slot.

Larmer connected for his second goal with 1:48 remaining on a bullet from the left circle, again with Roenick assisting.

''Things are just happening right now,'' Larmer said. ''I don't know that I'm doing anything differently that I've done in any other year. It seems I'm shooting the puck as well as I've ever shot it. Just right now things seem to be going well, so it's just a matter of running with it.''

The Nordiques, the worst team in the NHL a year ago, suffered their fifth straight loss and dropped to 3-8-3. Chicago has won four of its last five games.

Elsewhere in the NHL, Detroit nipped Toronto 5-4, Philadelphia doubled up Minnesota 6-3, Calgary overtook Winnipeg 2-1 and Vancouver edged New Jersey 2-1.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Red Wings 5, Maple Leafs 4

At Detroit, rookie Johan Garpenlov scored twice and Steve Yzerman collected his 300th career goal. Detroit recorded its seventh victory in eight home games this season. Toronto suffered its ninth straight road loss over two seasons.

Flyers 6, North Stars 3

At Philadelphia, rookies Mike Ricci and Dale Kushner each scored for the first time in their NHL careers to help the Flyers snap a four-game losing streak. The North Stars remained winless on the road this season, with a record of 0-7-1.

Flames 2, Jets 1

At Calgary, Alberta, Joel Otto scored on the rebound of a missed shot at 14:57 of the third period to give the Flames the victory. Otto poked Al MacInnis' rebound by goaltender Stephane Beauregard to snap a 1-1 tie.

Canucks 2, Devils 1

At Vancouver, British Columbia, Brian Bradley broke a tie with his goal at 6:27 of the third period, leading the Canucks to victory. The goal was created when New Jersey's Alexi Kasatonov failed to clear the puck from the Devils' zone, allowing Bradley to intercept and beat goaltender Chris Terreri.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

Iraq says it is sending home four more American men who are ailing. But all Iraq wants to do for the approximately four-thousand other hostages in Iraq and Kuwait is let their families visit them for Christmas. President Bush advises families against making the trip. A Palestine Liberation Organization official says Iraq will free all the hostages if it gets a guarantee that it WON'T be attacked.

President Bush still blames the Democrats for the tax increases in the new budget. Bush says he could have negotiated a better deal if there were more Republicans in Congress. The president made the comments yesterday as stumped for G-O-P candidates in Massachusetts and Florida. Today, he's in Ohio, Minnesota, and Iowa.

The White House says President Bush will attend the 34-nation Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe. It will be in Paris November 19th to the 21st. The highlight of the conference probably will be the signing of a conventional arms agreement by Presidents Bush and Gorbachev.Bush also plans to go to Egypt before returning to Washington around November 24th.

An advertising blitz begun by environmental and consumer groups contends that higher fuel economy requirements for cars could eliminate the need for Mideast oil. The ads ask... in these words... ''How high a price are we willing to pay for Mideast oil?'' It shows a picture of an American soldier super-imposed on a gas pump.

A company that plans to introduce a new gasoline additive as a fuel- saver has put the plan on the back burner. The Ethyl Corporation has NOT been able to answer all the questions asked by the Environmental Protection Agency, which must approve the additive. Plus, NOT all of the car-makers are in favor of the additive.

The strike against the nation's largest tabloid newspaper entered its second week today... with NO end in sight. 13-thousand people gathered outside the New York Daily News headquarters in Manhattan last night to demonstrate against News management. Daily News owners turned down an offer to buy the paper.

Election Day came early in some places... schools. The National Student-Parent Mock Election was held in all 50 states yesterday. Millions of pupils are taking a serious look at American politics through a school program designed to reverse voter ignorance and apathy through their own elections.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Minnesota	0	1	2-3
Philadelphia	2	2	2-6

First period-1, Philadelphia, Tocchet 9 (Mellanby, Carkner), 4:39. 2, Philadelphia, Kushner 1 (Acton), 18:39.

Penalties- McRae, Min, 16:15.

Second period-3, Philadelphia, Ricci 1 (Horacek, Lacombe), 3:06. 4, Minnesota, Propp 4 (Modano), pp, 8:23. 5, Philadelphia, Samuelsson 3 (Sutter), 18:98.

Penalties-Sutter, Phi, 8:12; Tinordi, Min, 8:59; Kushner, Phi, 15:42.

Third period-6, Minnesota, Gavin 3 (Broten), sh, 2:57. 7, Minnesota, Bellows 6 (Murphy, Broten), pp, 7:16. 8, Philadelphia, Smith 2 (Acton, Lacombe), 9:55. 9 Philadelphia, Lacombe 5 (Howe, Acton), pp, 11:54.

Penalties-Churla, Min, 1:00; Mellanby, Phi, 6:13; Churla, Min, misconduct, 9:27; Gagner, Min, 9:55; Smith, Phi, 12:14.

Shots on goal-Minnesota 4-10-14-28. Philadelphia 6-8-10-24.

Power-play conversions-Minnesota 4-2. Philadelphia 4-1.

Goaltenders-Minnesota, Casey. Philadelphia, Wregget. A-17,151.

Referee-Rob Shick.

Toronto	1	0	3-4
Detroit	1	3	1-5

First period-1, Detroit, Garpenlov 3 (Fedyk, Fedorov), 4:04. 2, Toronto, Damphousse 6 (Marois, Thibadeau), pp, 16:50.

Penalties-Ramage, Tor, 12:33; Det bench (served by Kocur), 16:03.

Second period-3, Detroit, Barr 3 (Djoos, Yzerman), 2:50. 4, Detroit, Yzerman 9 (Djoos), 3:15. 5, Detroit, Garpenlov 4 (Fedorov, Fedyk), 5:01.

Penalties-Djoos, Det, 8:00; Marsh, Tor, 14:42.

Third period-6, Toronto, Marois 5 (Damphousse, Thibaudeau), 1:51. 7, Toronto, Leeman 4 (Kurvers, Olczyk), pp, 10:18. 8, Detroit, Probert 4 (Carson, Zombo), 13:07. 9, Toronto, Olczyk 3 (Clark), 15:50.

Penalties-Hannan, Tor, 5:17; Pearson, Tor, major (fighting), 5:17; Norwood, Det, major (fighting), 5:17; Chiasson, Det, 9:40.

Shots on goal-Toronto 6-10-12-28. Detroit 11-11-12-34.

Power-play conversions-Toronto 3-2. Detroit 3-0.

Goaltenders-Toronto, Ing. Detroit, Cheveldae. A-19,676.

Referee-Andy vanHellemond.

St. Louis	1	0	1	0-2
Boston	0	2	0	1-3

First period-1, St. Louis, Hull 16 (Stevens, Oates), 8:41.

Penalties-G.Cavallini, StL, 5:16; Nilan, Bos, 5:16; Marois, StL, 6:08.

Second period-2, Boston, Galley 1 (Wesley, Christian), 2:23. 3, Boston, Neely 6 (Ruzicka, Janney), 5:51.

Penalties-Brind'Amour, StL, major (fighting), :10; B.Sweeney, Bos, major (fighting), :10; Stevens, StL, double minor, :22; Nilan, Bos, :22; Burridge, Bos, :22; Bourque, Bos, 3:30; Courtnall, StL, 7:27; Stevens, StL, 8:42; Neely, Bos, 8:42; Brind'Amour, StL, 10:43; B.Sweeney, Bos, double minor, 10:43; Stevens, StL, 14:12; Byers, Bos, 14:12; Dirk, StL, major (fighting), 14:20; Nilan, Bos, major (fighting), 14:20; Pedersen, Bos, 15:46; MacLean, StL, 16:30.

Third period-4, St. Louis, Oates 2 (MacLean), 5:14.

Penalties-None.

Overtime-5, Boston, Neely 7 (unassisted), 3:14.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-St. Louis 4-8-11-1-24. Boston 12-10-3-4-29.

Power-play conversions-St. Louis 3-0. Boston 3-0.

Goaltenders-St. Louis, Joseph. Boston, Moog. A-14,117.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

Quebec	0	1	1-2
Chicago	3	0	3-6

First period-1, Chicago, Presley (Creighton, Thomas), 12:31. 2, Chicago, Peluso 2 (McNeill, Lemieux), 14:51. 3, Chicago, Roenick 6 (Chelios, Kucera), pp, 18:31.

Penalties-Cirella, Que, 1:09; Loiselle, Que, 6:50; Creighton, Chi, 15:38; Wolanin, Que, 18:01.

Second period-4, Quebec, Sakic 9 (Fogarty, Sundin), pp, 1:14.

Penalties-Lemieux, Chi, :23; McRae, Que, 4:35; Thomas, Chi, 4:35; Kimble, Que, 5:27; Sanipass, Que, 12:14; Gillis, Que, 13:54; Thomas, Chi, 13:54; Creighton, Chi, 18:36; Belfour, Chi, (served by Kucera), 20:00.

Third period-5, Quebec, Sundin 6 (Fogarty, Sakic), pp, :47. 6, Chicago, Larmer 11 (Roenick, Kucera), 7:20. 7, Chicago, Larmer 12 (Roenick, Konroyd), 18:12. 8 Chicago, Presley 3 (Creighton), 18:56.

Penalties-Loiselle, Que, double minor-misconduct, 16:07; Kimble, Que, major (fighting), 16:07; Hough, Que, game misconduct, 16:07; Thomas, Chi, double minor-misconduct, 16:07; McGill, Chi, major (fighting), 16:07; Murray, Chi, 19:48.

Shots on goal-Quebec 8-7-7-22. Chicago 9- 15-9-33.

Power-play conversions-Quebec 5-2. Chicago 5-1.

Goaltenders-Quebec, Tugnutt. Chicago, Belfour. A-17,379.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

Winnipeg	1	0	0-1
Calgary	0	0	2-2

First period-1, Winnipeg, Elyniuk 4 (Steen, Evans), pp, 15:54.

Penalties-Steen, Wpg, 1:24; Evans, Wpg, 5:51; Fleury, Cgy, 5:51; Carlyle, Wpg, 8:12; Johansson, Cgy, 15:18; Donnelly, Wpg, 18:46.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Donnelly, Wpg, 6:33; Gilmour, Cgy, 6:33; Cronin, Wpg, 11:42; Cgy bench (served by Roberts), 15:32; Johansson, Cgy, 17:41.

Third period-2, Calgary, Fleury 6 (MacInnis, Suter), 6:45. 3, Calgary, Otto 4 (MacInnis, Roberts), 14:57.

Penalties-Fenton, Wpg, 5:04; Gilmour, Cgy, 7:04; MacInnis, Cgy, 8:26; Arniel, Wpg, 11:39; Roberts, Cgy, 11:39.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 12-4-7-23. Calgary 12-10-8-30.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 5-1. Calgary 5-1.

Goaltenders-Winnipeg, Beauregard. Calgary, Vernon. A-19,974.

Referee-Paul Devorski.

New Jersey	1	0	0-1
Vancouver	0	1	1-2

First period-1, New Jersey, Crowder 4 (Fetisov, Kasatonov), 12:11.

Penalties-Sandlak, Van, 1:45; Fetisov, NJ, double minor, 5:08; Smyl, Van, double minor, 5:08; Crowder, NJ, major (fighting), 5:10; Coxe, Van, major (fighting), 5:10; Stewart, NJ, major (fighting), 5:22; Sandlak, Van, minor-major (fighting), 5:22; Daneyko, NJ, 7:47; Crowder, NJ, double minor, 15:00; Smyl, Van, 15:00; Murphy, Van, 17:45; Nordmark, Van, 19:55.

Second period-2, Vancouver, Capuano 5 (Smyl), 10:32.

Penalties-Maley, NJ, major (fighting), 6:15; Agnew, Van, major (fighting), 6:15.

Third period-3, Vancouver, Bradley 3 (unassisted), 6:27.

Penalties-Ciger, NJ, 3:46; Fetisov, NJ, 18:43; Bozek, Van, 18:43.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 5-12-4-21. Vancouver 11-8-6-25.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 4-0. Vancouver 3-0.

Goaltenders-New Jersey, Terreri. Vancouver, Gamble. A-12,569.

Referee-Denis Morel.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - The exhumation of the remains of Pierre Toussaint who lived a life of service, even caring for his former slave masters, was begun

in Manhattan and may lead to his becoming America's first black saint.

Cardinal John O'Connor, the head of the archdiocese of New York, said the exhumation of Toussaint's 137-year-old remains, which began Thursday in a Manhattan graveyard, was a step toward his being canonized.

Toussaint, a native of what is now Haiti, would be the first black American declared by the Catholic Church as a holy man capable of interceding with God on behalf of sinners. He died in 1853 after a life dedicated to caring for the poor and those with deadly sicknesses, including his former slave owners.

His adopted daughter and wife are believed to be buried there with him.

Church officials credit Toussaint with lifting some of the religious and racial prejudice that existed in New York at the time.

Consideration of his canonization emerges at a time when American cities are racked by racial battles that haven generated into violence.

It also is likely to be supported by thousands of blacks segmented in small Catholic churches nationwide who seek recognition and leadership in a church, in which the some leaders themselves were slaveholders.

Toussaint's exhumation began in a graveyard adjacent to Old St. Patrick's Church in lower Manhattan's Little Italy after a prayer ceremony attended by neighborhood parishioners, reporters and church officials.

''This could be a great day for the city of New York, not just for the church '' said O'Connor. ''It would be magnificent if he was eventually declared a saint.''

O'Connor said the exhumation begins the process of investigating Toussaint's life to determine whether the archidiocese will recommend that he be canonized but the digging up of the remains does not guarantee that he will become a saint.

Toussaint's name can be translated as ''all saints'' in French, and even though the exhumation began on All Saints Day, O'Connor said it was a coincidence not planned.

Church officials did not know how long the canonization process would take.

''The church is never in a hurry to do this, because the Church does not try to create saints,'' O'Connor said.

Doctors who have volunteered to supervise the exhumation process said they did not know what to expect once the grave was completely excavated. They said they would attempt to identify Toussaint's remains and those of his adopted

daughter and wife, believed to be buried with him.

''We could find nothing, bones or an entire body,'' said Dr. Victor Tchertkoff of the New York Medical College.

After the exhumation, Toussaint's remains will be kept temporarily at a crypt at Old St. Patrick's Church, before being moved to St. Patrick's Cathedral on Fifth Avenue for re-internment.

Toussaint was born a slave in Haiti in 1766 to a wealthy plantation owner who later moved the family to New York. When his owner lost his fortune in the French Revolution, Toussaint, who attended mass daily, supported the family by working as a hairdresser for wealthy New Yorkers. He won his freedom in 1804.

Toussaint became known for caring for the sick, especially in sections of the city ravaged by the yellow fever and cholera plagues, and for his explanations of the Catholic faith.

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#90306u0236 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (NOV. 2) UPI - China has quietly begun raising the state-set consumer prices of many daily necessities in a risky economic reform move that is already prompting hoarding and price speculation among residents of Beijing.

The government has made no detailed public announcement about the potentially disruptive hikes, beyond statements saying only that price reform is an economic necessity. But interviews around the capital confirmed the increases are being implemented.

Officials fear a return of the widespread panic-buying that struck Beijing in the summer of 1988, when the government tried to free prices of staples. The government imposed a nationwide austerity program that fall to rein in prices.

The State Price Commission, contacted by telephone, declined to discuss the increases, as did Beijing city government officials.

But Beijing residents, store clerks and traders said home heating coal, liquid propane and cotton goods had already gone up, and price hikes in other basic goods were in the works.

The latest hike came Wednesday, when the price of cotton clothing rose 20 percent. Widespread rumors early this week sent droves of worried shoppers to state-run stores where they snapped up cotton goods by the bale.

''Everything is up 20 percent today,'' a Beijing Department Store clerk said as she retagged undergarments that Chinese wear in layers to ward off the brutal northern China winter.

''People seem to be taking it in stride,'' the clerk added. ''But you should have been here before the increase yesterday. It was mayhem. You should have seen the throngs.''

Price reform is the most sensitive of the market-oriented changes envisioned by the government. China has kept prices in its restive cities artificially low for decades through steadily increasing government subsidies, forcing huge spending deficits.

Since the government crushed the pro-democracy demonstrations of spring 1989, officials have paid more attention to ensuring stability than restructuring the economy, and have shelved most measures that could spark unrest.

But ballooning deficits and lack of vigor in China's balky economy are forcing the government's hand. Transport, freight and postage have already gone up, and officials have indicated staple foods - whose low prices have long been sacred to avert social unrest - will also rise.

''This is certainly a step in the right direction, although full deregulation would be a better step because that way prices could find their own level,'' said a Western diplomat who monitors China's economy.

''It's been a tremendous drain on the government budget to keep these prices so artifically low for so long,'' he said.

The diplomat said the increases would add about 1 percent to November's inflation rate, but said this is ''easily manageable'' and well within China's 1990 target of single-digit inflation.

Prices are being raised one-by-one in different sectors of the economy in an apparent attempt to ease consumers into acceptance of the painful higher-priced reality.

Communist Party chief Jiang Zemin expressed the government's conundrum succinctly this week during a tour of Liaoning province in China's industrial northeast.

''Without political stability it is impossible to boost the economy, and, in turn, without economic growth it would be difficult to maintain political stability,'' Jiang said.

The price of the charcoal bricks that Chinese use to cook and to heat their homes was raised about 50 percent, within a family's state-set ration. Prices tripled for purchases beyond the quota.

Fees also are being raised for electricity, natural gas and water. Price increases for sugar and other staples are said to be planned.

For many capital residents, uncertainty about prices is as unbearable as the actual increases. Free-market foodsellers said they have been bracing for a doubling of the rent the city charges for their tiny stalls.

A private egg vendor said her rent was scheduled to jump to $76 a month from $38 in November, but she said she had not been billed as of Nov. 1. She also said she knew of no plans to raise the price of eggs to help her offset her rent increase.

''All we can do is wait,'' she said, shrugging nervously inside a huge, green cotton jacket.

Some residents have taken matters into their own hands.

On a corner in the bustling Dongsi shopping district, a young woman did a brisk business as she noisily hawked pure cotton socks at 37 cents a pair, beating the new state-set price by 10 cents.

''I bought four cases of these socks yesterday before the price went up - 800 pairs in all,'' she said, pointing to the cardboard boxes she was using as a makeshift display stand.

On Beijing's main shopping drag, Wangfujing, a deeply tanned southern Chinese man and his father struggled under two sacks containing 100 cotton blouses they had just bought from a private vendor.

Even though they made the purchase after the price increase, they were confident of making a profit.

''We got a lower price because we bought from a private seller,'' the younger man said. ''Where we are from these Beijing garments are considered the best in China. We will take these back, see what the state price is there, then set our price accordingly.''

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(NOV. 2) UPI - A winter storm chilled the western mountains Friday with snow and high winds while Indian summer warmed the Midwest and East sending temperatures soaring and residents outdoors.

Snow blanketed the Rocky Mountains in Colorado, Wyoming and Idaho as temperatures plummeted in one of the first severe storms of the season. Some mountains were expected to get several feet of snow by the time the storm ended over the weekend.

A winter storm watch was posted for southeast Wyoming and a heavy snow warning

remained in force for the east slopes and wind river range. Early Friday 6 inches of snow had fallen on Lander and 3 inches on Casper.

Winds topping 30 mph accompanied the storm, which also brought up to a foot of snow to the southwest mountains of Colorado. Storm warnings were in effect for the Sangre de Christo Mountains and the northeast plains.

Temperatures throughout the region, which had been mild earlier in the week, dropped well below freezing, falling into the 20s during the night in around Pocatello, Idaho, and creating slick roads following light snow and rain Thursday evening.

Indian summer brought record warm weather to Huron, S.D., where temperatures rose to 78 degrees Thursday, breaking by 1 degree a 103- year-old record.

The warm temperatures stretched to the East Coast with thermometers rising into the 70s and even hitting 80 in Kentucky and other states.

Clear skies covered New York City with lows in the 50s, while temperatures dipped into the 30s in the suburbs surrounding Boston. Patchy fog and light winds covered southern New Jersey.

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#90306u0256 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, Ga. (NOV. 2) UPI - The federal government's chief auditor says budget writers must scrutinize the need for every domestic and defense spending program instead of just aiming for mandatory deficit-reduction targets.

U.S. Comptroller General Charles A. Bowsher said Thursday that unless the budget writers begin close scrutiny of the country's spending habits, the government still will be treading in a pool of red ink when the five-year budget deal struck this week by Congress runs out. And the depth of the federal deficit will be greater than ever, he added.

''What we need are tough program decisions, not arbitrary targets'' as legislated by the Gramm-Rudman deficit-reduction requirements, Bowsher said.

Calling the new budget package ''a starting point,'' Bowsher said balancing the budget is still ''very do-able.''

But he told an audience of 400 University of Georgia students and faculty that unless the federal government gets its spending habits in check ''in the next few years,'' nothing short of a national sales tax could deliver the revenue needed to cover the federal tab.

''I strongly say we need to ask some tough questions,'' said Bowsher, who is

head of the General Accounting Office and in the 10th year of a 15-year appointment.

''We're going to have to ask, 'What can we do without?''' he said, pointing to defense spending in particular. Fighter planes such as the F-15 cost $15 million in the 1970s, but now bombers such as the B-2 are budgeted for $1 billion each, he said.

''We have to look at these weapons systems,'' he said. ''Do we really need them? If so, can we (afford them)?.''

Bowsher said the agency's most recent estimate concluded the government would have to cut the deficit by $1 trillion in the next seven years to rise out of the red. The budget plan adopted by Congress reduces the deficit by $490 billion over five years.

In September, the GAO reported to Congress that the budget deficit for this fiscal year stands at $400 billion, which includes current costs for the savings and loan bailout and Operation Desert Shield and excludes money set aside in the Social Security trust fund, he said.

Two costly events this year, which threaten to negate the deficit- reduction agreement, now make the GAO's $1-trillion estimate seem optimistic, Bowsher said.

With or without hostilities, Operation Desert Shield will add significantly to the defense budget. And the U.S. military movements in the Middle East are occurring even as the country teeters on the brink of a recession, if it hasn't arrived already, he said.

''We're trying to fix the budget deficit at the least desirable time, '' he said.

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#90306u0260 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, Kenya (NOV. 2) UPI - Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana, in his most conciliatory statement since the civil war began a month ago, said he would welcome home thousands of Rwandan refugees and declared the country ready for multi-party democracy, official Radio Randa reported Friday.

Armed Rwandan rebels, exiled in Uganda since they fled tribal killings and food shortages at home 30 years ago, invaded the tiny east African nation, vowing to overthrow Habyarimana's largely Hutu government.

Mostly from the minority Tutsi tribe, the rebels had accused the government of being corrupt and regionalist.

There are more than 500,000 Rwandan refugees around the landlocked country, with some 80,000 in neighboring Uganda alone.

Habyarimana, pointing out Rwanda was the most densely populated country in Africa, had previously closed his borders to these refugees, asking the host nations to grant them citizenship.

Under considerable regional and international pressure to resolve the war and the attendant refugee issue, Habyarimana, claiming his forces had wiped out the rebels, made a political U-turn.

''Rwanda will do all it can so those Rwandan refugees wanting to return to their homeland can do so. The refugees must be genuine. People who love their motherland. Not traitors,'' Habyarimana told the radio, monitored in Nairobi.

He said a meeting was planned to discuss the refugee problem, but did not specify who would be party to the talks or when they would take place.

''I support the suggestion that multi-parties should be introduced in Rwanda. Rwanda is ripe for multi-parties. Multi-parties will show we have gone a step further in the country's democracy and pave the way for citizens to present their views without fear,'' he said.

There was no immediate reaction from the rebel Rwandese Patriotic Front.

After a month of heavy fighting along the northern Rwanda-Uganda border, which diplomats have said killed scores of civilians and troops, this week government forces claimed they had pushed the rebels back into Uganda.

Unconfirmed reports from Uganda, however, have said the RPF rebels only had tactically withdrawn to the Akagera National Park from where they were planning a new offensive.

Belgium, Rwanda's former colonial ruler, launched a diplomatic shuttle between Rwanda, Uganda, Burundi, Zaire and Kenya in an effort to broker a peace agreement as soon as war broke out.

The last of 550 Belgian troops sent to Rwanda to protect Belgian nationals were to pull out Friday. Political analysts say rebels may take advantage of this withdrawal to attack the capital, Kigali, 45 miles southwest of Akagere Park.

Zairean President Mobuto Sese Seko last week took up the position of mediator in the conflict. With the heads of state of Uganda, Burundi and Rwanda, he decided to send a four-nation peace monitoring force to Rwanda. The force has not yet arrived.

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#90306u0293 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 2) UPI - More campaign travels for President Bush... more words in the Persian Gulf crisis... and a huge rally outside Daily News headquarters in New York. Those stories and more, next from U-P-I. .

President Bush begins the second day of his cross-country campaign for Republican candidates in Cincinnati... where he'll appear at a G-O-P fundraiser.

Then it's on to Rochester, Minnesota, in the afternoon and Sioux City, Iowa, in the evening. Other stops Bush will be making during his six-day swing include Thousand Oaks, California, and New Mexico... before spending a few days on the political stump in his adopted homestate of Texas.

He'll return to Washington Tuesday, Election Day, after he casts his ballot in Houston.

Ohio Democrats are claiming that they have made significant gains in the state's governor's race due to the president's big drop in recent popularity polls.

But Republican gubernatorial nominee George Voinovich, former mayor of Cleveland, still holds the lead over Democrat Anthony Celebrezze... and insists Bush remains a campaign plus in Ohio.

The president WON'T be letting grass grow under his feet. The White House says Bush will attend the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe... to be held in Paris November 19th through the 21st.

The 34-nation gathering is a follow-up to the Helsinki Conference in 1974. It's expected to be highlighted by the signing of a conventional arms agreement by Bush and Soviet President Gorbachev.

Besides France... the president also will travel to Germany, as well as to Saudi Arabia, where he'll spend Thanksgiving Day with U-S troops. Bush is also expected to fly to Egypt before returning to Washington around November 24th.

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#90306u0296 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 2) UPI - The bitter strike against the Daily News has entered its second week with NO end in sight.

In a show of support for the strikers, 13-thousand people massed outside the Daily News headquarters in midtown Manhattan last night to demonstrate against News management. Leaders of the city's largest unions vowed to choke the paper if it does not reach an accord with the strikers.

Local Teamsters leader Barry Feinstein said ''NOT one Teamsters truck will deliver newsprint to the Daily News,'' and ''NOT one Teamsters truck will deliver ink to the Daily News.''

More rallies are scheduled for today, with groups ranging from unionized firefighters to minority journalists planning to join the pickets outside News headquarters.

Union leaders also said that beginning this weekend, they would begin boycotting businesses that advertise in the paper.

Yesterday, Daily News management rejected a possible sale offer for the embattled tabloid.

Theodore Kheel, an unpaid adviser to the nine striking unions, said he has put together a group of people who would like to purchase the News from its current owners, the Tribune Company of Chicago, and publish it in a joint arrangement with the New York Post.

Kheel said the deal he proposed to Tribune Company President Charles Brumback involves giving News employees 20 percent equity in the paper.

One of the few Hispanic federal judges in the nation received a six- month prison sentence yesterday.

Federal District Judge Robert Aguilar was sentenced in San Francisco for lying to the F-B-I and disclosing wire-tap information to a mobster.

Aguilar had a reputation as a liberal jurist during his 10 years on the bench. Aguilar's defense was an attack on the government... accusing federal agents of persecuting him in retaliation for his sometimes anti- government rulings.

U-S District Judge Louis Bechtle was transferred from Philadelphia to preside over the trial. After sentencing Aguilar to six months, he ordered Aguilar to pay a 21-hundred-dollar fine and give one-thousand hours of community service when he is released from prison.

Bechtle noted that Aguilar is beginning the process of impeachment and disbarment as a lawyer.

Aguilar will remain free without bail while he appeals his conviction.

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#90306u0304 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 2) UPI - The standoff in the Persian Gulf is three months old today.

Iraq is offering to let the families of its so-called foreign ''guests'' visit their loved ones during the holidays. In reaction to Saddam Hussein's offer, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater asked- ''Why doesn't he let the hostages come home?''

Britain's Foreign Office called the offer ''cynical propaganda.''

During campaign stops in Massachusetts and Florida yesterday, Bush dismissed Saddam's offer... saying- ''I DON'T think he'll win the humanitarian award for this.''

The president warned that the time for diplomatic pressure is running short. But he denied he was ''trying to prepare'' the country for war and said he ''desperately'' wanted a peaceful resolution to the crisis.

Baghdad also announced yesterday it will release four sick U-S hostages after intervention from an American-Arab fellowship group. A top P-L-O official in Amman, Jordan, says Iraq would free all the hostages if it is guaranteed that there will be NO military action to end the standoff.

In other developments, the State Department said the U-N-backed economic sanctions are beginning to seriously affect Iraq's economy. But department officials say the measures have NOT had any real effect on Saddam's resolve to end his three-month-old occupation of Kuwait.

Police in Japan say leftist extremists opposed to the coronation of a new emperor apparently have begun trying to keep their promise to stop the ceremony.

Two bombs exploded at a police dormitory in Tokyo last night. One officer was killed and six other people were wounded. Police say two other time bombs planted on a steel net fence around the dormitory went off, but did NOT hurt anyone.

Police say leftists who have vowed to disrupt the coronation ceremony apparently were responsible for the bombing.

The enthronement of Emperor Akihito is scheduled November 12th. More than 100 world leaders plan to attend. Vice President Quayle will represent the United States.

Tokyo police say about 37-thousand officers have been deployed at key posts, including the moated Imperial Palace, to guard against violence by extremists before and during the coronation cermony.

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A former Japanese cabinet minister who was stabbed last month has died. A

Tokyo hospital says he had been in a coma since the attack... but died from heart failure.

A mental patient is in custody for the stabbing.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Scientists report that early animals crawled out of the water and began living on the land at least 15 Million years earlier than had been widely thought.

The researchers discovered fossilized remains of two centipedes and one spider-like creature in England's famed Ludlow Bone Bed that indicate animals roamed the land at least 414 Million years ago.

Before the discovery, the oldest widely accepted fossils of land- dwelling animals, found in Scotland, dated back about 398 Million years ago.

Paul Seldern of England's University of Manchester co-authored the study published in the journal Science. Selden's team did NOT find whole animals... just legs from the centipedes and the hard outer shell of the spider-like creature. But he said that was evidence enough.

Selden said ''You could tell by looking at the centipede's type of leg that mechanically it would only work on land, NOT water.''

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#90306u0381 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 2) UPI - The State Department says the U-N-backed economic sanctions against Iraq are beginning to seriously affect Iraq's economy. However, the state department says the sanctions have NOT had much effect on Saddam Hussein's determination to remain in Kuwait.

The trial of two youths accused of raping a female jogger in Central Park last year continues today in state Supreme Court in Manhattan. On the witness stand today will be Dr. Judith Thompson, a gynecologist who examined the jogger.

A federal grand jury in Seattle has returned a 300-page indictment against 15 people charged with racketeering in a nationwide scheme that defrauded banks, businesses and individuals out of Millions of dollars.

The state of Alaska says a ''guerrilla strike force'' of local oil spill clean-up workers picked up where Exxon left off in mopping up last year's disastrous 11-Million-gallon Exxon Valdez spill. The team collected more than 150 tons of oily debris.

The Food and Drug Administration has ordered a recall of three lots of a medicine prescribed for acute asthma sufferers. The F-D-A says some of the bottles may have been mis-labeled as Carbinox-amine Compound Drops, a cold remedy for children.

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#90306u0406 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (NOV. 2) UPI - The government, attacked for a lack of decisive action on the economy, will propose radical reforms next month to liberalize import laws and slash subsidies for basic goods, officials said in remarks published Friday.

The measures would include the dismantling of state-run monopolies, including the Hungarian petroluem company, and the lifting of controls on many imports, Janos Martonyi, undersecretary of the Ministry for International Economic Affairs told the newspaper Nepszabadsag.

Another leading economic official, in a separate interview, said prices for energy, food and transport will increase as government subsidies are radically slashed or eliminated.

Gyorgy Matolcsy, a top adviser to Prime Minister Jozsef Antall, warned the reforms would be extremely painful in the short term.

He said the annual inflation rate would likely surpass 35 percent, unemployment would quadruple and one in three businesses would go bankrupt.

''It hasn't yet dawned on the Hungarian people just how much the world has changed around them,'' the Nepszabadsag quoted Matolcsy as saying.

The radical measures, to be introduced in parliament next month for required approval by the lawmakers, represent a dramatic shift for the government, which has been criticized for its cautious approach to economic reform.

The official news agency MTI described the government's new policy as a ''big bang'' approach to Hungary's economic problems.

Matolcsy said the nationwide protests last month over a government- imposed rise in gasoline prices led government ministers to conclude the transition to a market economy must be accelerated.

He referred to protests by taxi and truck drivers who blocked border crossings and major transportation routes for three days to protest increases of as much as 70 percent for gasoline. The protests ended when the government agreed to scale back the price hike and to introduce legislation liberalizing gasoline prices.

Martonyi said the proportion of Hungary's imports which are to be liberalized would be raised next year from 70 to 92 percent and restrictions of imports of oil and gasoline will be lifted.

At the same time, the government would abolish the monopoly of the state-owned National Oil and Gas Trust, as well as that of state-run firms which control import of minerals and other raw materials.

To encourage new ventures, the government also will propose a nearly 40 percent cut in social security taxes paid by companies and a 10 percent reduction in personal income taxes, MTI said. In addition, tax laws will be amended to give incentive for investment, it said.

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#90306u0457 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 2) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed lower Friday for the fourth consecutive session as local investors largely shunned the market ahead of the weekend.

The Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which plummented 898.94 points Thursday, dropped another 100.17 points to end the week at 24, 194.99.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, a measure of all major listed shares, dipped 8.41 points to 1,786.38. TOPIX fell 61.33 points Thursday.

Declines outpaced advances 624 to 312, while 131 issues remained unchanged.

Volume continued to slide, as an estimated 320 million shares changed hands, down from 352 million Thursday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange rose slightly in quite trading with most of the action concentrated in secondary issues.

The leading Hang Seng Index, which fell 22.22 points Thursday, rebounded 10.18 points to end the week at 2,978.92. The key index fell 81.96 points for the week.

Among the narrower indexes, financials gained 6.64 points, industrials added 3.05, utilities rose 18.28 and properties jumped 24.60 points.

Volume continued to be thin and dominated by local traders with turnover estimated at 670 million shares, down from Thursday's 716.5 million.

In Singapore, stocks closed lower for the fourth consecutive session on the Singapore Stock Exchange in line with the slump in Tokyo and growing anxiety over tensions in the Persian Gulf.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 20.27 points Thursday, eased another 2.58 points to 1,131.10.

The broader-based All Singapore Index fell, which lost 4.31 points Thursday, slipped 0.22 points to 315.07.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 28.6 million shares, compared with 25.9 million shares changing hands Thursday.

In Bangkok, stocks closed slightly higher in light trading on Thailand Stock Exchange.

In Manila, stocks closed lower in light trading on the Manila Exchange.

In Taipei, stocks closed lower on the Taiwan Exchange.

In Seoul, stocks also closed down on the Korean Exchange.

In Australia, prices closed lower for the eighth straight session on the Sydney sharemarket.

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#90306u0471 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) UPI - The nation's unemployment rate remained unchanged at 5.7 percent in October, but the Labor Department said Friday the overall job market showed further weakness during the month.

The department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said large job losses in the construction and services industries were offset partially by only a slight downturn in non-farm payroll employment.

Total civilian employment slipped to 117.7 million in October from 117.8 million the month before. The government said employment has dropped 700,000 since mid-year after gaining 500,000 jobs during the first half of the year.

The civilian labor force, which stands at 124.8 million, has shown no growth since the spring, despite increases in the working age population. As a result fewer teenagers are entering the job market. The number of adult women entering the work force also edged down after a long upward trend, the government said.

Non-farm payroll declined by 68,000 jobs as substantial job losses in construction, manufacturing and retail trade offset gains in some services and state and local government positions.

The greatest job loss during the month came in the construction industry,

which lost 80,000 jobs during the month. A building slowdown, largely a result of declines in the overall economy, has caused a loss of 185,000 construction jobs in the past five months, the government said.

Manufacturing employment slipped by 60,000 jobs in October, continuing a downward trend that has seen the nation's factories cut 175,000 workers in the past three months. Employment in this sector has been reduced by 580,000 jobs since January 1989.

Trouble continued to follow the retail industry as well with 50,000 jobs lost in October after two smaller monthly declines. Wholesale trade companies lost 10,000 jobs during the month while makers of durable goods reduced their work forces by 25,000.

But the overall service industry gained 95,000 jobs in October, with much of the gain coming from health service jobs. Other areas of improvement included social services and private employment.

The average workweek for production and nonsupervisory workers fell by half an hour during the month to 34.2 hours. Average hourly earnings for these workers remained unchanged in October at $10.17. Average weekly hours, however, fell $4.07 - or 1.4 percent - to $349.85.

But for the year, hourly and weekly wages have gained: 3.7 percent and 2.5 percent, respectively.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque mc	63	40	....
Anchorage pc	30	15	....
Asheville sy	78	38	....
Atlanta sy	77	51	....
Baltimore sy	76	48	....
Billings snsh	38	18	.01
Birmingham sy	80	51	....
Bismarck w	40	23	....
Boston sy	69	53	....
Brownsville pc	87	72	....
Buffalo sy	68	54	....
Burlington Vt. pc	66	48	....
Charleston S.C. sy	80	55	....
Charlotte sy	80	48	....
Chicago pc	71	50	....
Cincinnati sy	75	49	....

Cleveland sy	74	49	....
Columbus Ohio sy	74	48	....
Dallas pc	81	64	....
Denver sn	41	25	....
Des Moines cy	69	45	....
Detroit pc	72	49	....
Duluth cy	49	30	....
El Paso cy	71	49	....
Evansville sy	79	48	....
Fargo w	45	24	....
Hartford sy	72	48	....
Honolulu pc	88	71	....
Houston pc	83	65	....
Indianapolis sy	76	50	....
Jackson Miss. sy	83	49	....
Jacksonville pc	79	57	....
Kansas City pc	76	53	....
Las Vegas w	62	42	.10
Little Rock sy	80	54	....
Los Angeles sy	74	56	....
Louisville sy	79	47	....
Memphis sy	80	57	....
Miami Beach pc	83	70	.17
Milwaukee pc	70	50	....
Minneapolis cy	50	35	....
Nashville sy	81	50	....
New Orleans sy	79	54	....
New York f	72	54	....
Oklahoma City w	81	65	....
Omaha cy	64	42	.01
Orlando pc	82	63	.20
Philadelphia sy	75	50	....
Phoenix pc	74	54	.11
Pittsburgh sy	88	48	....
Portland Me. pc	65	43	....
Portland Ore. mc	54	40	....
Providence sy	70	50	....
Richmond sy	80	49	....
St. Louis sy	80	56	....
Salt Lake City sn	43	23	.35
San Antonio pc	85	66	....
San Diego sy	70	53	.02
San Francisco sy	69	48	....
San Juan pc	91	76	....
Seattle pc	49	39	....
Spokane f	43	23	....
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cy-cloudy
f-fair
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hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
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sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
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w-windy

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#90306u0489 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) UPI - The Index of Leading Economic Indicators, a barometer of future economic activity, declined 0.8 percent in September in yet another warning sign of tough times ahead, the government said Friday.

The drop, in line with forecasts by private analysts, follows a revised decline of 1.2 percent in August. In July, the index was unchanged.

Three or more consecutive negative quarters in the index indicate the danger of an impending recession, although the United States has seen the index fall into that pattern in recent years and not wind up in a downturn.

Nine of the 11 indicators that make up the index contributed to the decline, while one indicator - contracts and orders for plant and equipment - made a positive contribution, the Commerce Department said.

The average workweek, meanwhile, was unchanged during September.

The negatives, listed from the largest contributor to the smallest, were stock prices, manufacturers' new orders for consumer goods and materials, average weekly initial jobless claims, building permits, consumer expectations, change in manufactuers' unfilled orders, money supply, vendor performance and sensitive materials prices.

For the last six months the index has increased 0.2 percent, but for the last 12 months the government barometer has dropped 1.1 percent, according to the data compiled by the department's Economics and Statistics Administration.

The composite index of coincident indicators, a monthly approximation of aggregate economic activity, fell 0.4 percent in September after declining 0.1 percent in August and dropping 0.2 percent in July.

The composite index of lagging indicators, which confirms movements in the conicident index, was down 0.2 percent in September after dropping 0.5 percent in August and increasing 0.5 percent in July.

The data are subject to revision.

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#90306u0490 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 2) UPI - Stops in three states are on the campaign agenda for President Bush today. Bush appears at a G-O-P fundraiser in Cincinnati this morning, and will then move on to other events in Rochester, Minnesota... and Sioux City, Iowa. Before election day on Tuesday, Bush also will campaign for candiates in California, New Mexico and Texas.

During campaign stops in Massachusetts and Florida yesterday, Bush continued to aim tough comments at Iraq's Saddam Hussein. The president warned that the time for diplomatic pressure is running short. But he denied that he was ''trying to prepare our country for war.'' White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters that Bush is speaking out because- his words- ''if we have to take dramatic action, we want the American people to know why.''

A defense attorney in the trial of two youths accused in the brutal rape of a Central Park jogger last year tried yesterday to show that the woman did NOT suffer life-threatening injuries. However, his questions to a doctor who treated the jogger caused jurors to shake their heads and laugh. The trial continues today with testimony from a gynecologist who examined the jogger.

India's leadership remains in doubt today, as violence persists in parts of the nation. Yesterday, at least 33 people died in the trouble which began Tuesday when Hindu fundamentalists tried UNsuccessfully to begin construction of a temple on the site occupied by a 460-year-old mosque. Speculation surrounds the future of Prime Minister V-P Singh's party.

A former slave could become America's first black saint. The Roman Catholic Church yesterday began the exhumation of the remains of Pierre Toussaint, a native of Haiti. Cardinal John O'Connor said the exhumation of Toussaint's 137-year-old remains from a Manhattan graveyard is a step toward his being canonized. Toussaint was a native of what is now Haiti. He died in 1853 after a life dedicated to caring for the poor and those with deadly sicknesses.

The Food and Drug Administration says Pharmaceutical Basics Incorporated has recalled three lots of a medicine prescribed for acute asthma sufferers. The

F-D-A said some bottles of the drug may have been packaged and labeled as Carbinoxamine Compound Drops, a drug used to treat cough and upper respiratory problems in children. The F-D-A said the wrong drug given to infants could result in nervousness, rapid heartbeat, tremors and nausea.

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#90306u0515 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 2) UPI - Domestic car sales showed signs of slowing in October mainly because of rising gasoline prices and interest rates on auto loans, the Japan Automobile Dealers Association said Friday.

The association said car sales in October gained a modest 0.9 percent over a year ago to 504,641 units.

The slow sales growth followed a 0.3 percent rise in September.

''Rising gasoline prices, coupled with higher interest rates on auto loans, have apparently begun to bear impact on car sales, particularly small models '' an association spokesman said.

Gas stations have raised prices of gasoline to keep pace with higher crude oil prices boosted by tension in the Middle East.

Auto dealers also raised interest rates on auto loans in line with rising interest rates on other commercial loans resulting from an official discount rate hike by the central bank.

The Bank of Japan raised the key rate by 0.75 points to 6.0 percent in August in a move to forestall growing inflationary pressures, marking an end to its easy credit policy.

The association said sales of passenger cars fell for the second straight month, down 1.2 percent to 357,005 units.

Sales of large models, mainly with an engine capacity of over 2001 cc, gained 69.7 percent to 52,347 units but those of smaller cars slipped 7.8 percent to 304,658 units, the association said.

Truck sales rose 6.5 percent to 145,784 units, while those of buses surged 4.5 percent to 1,852 units.

Toyota Motor Corp. boosted its sales 4.2 percent while Nissan Motor Co. and Mitsubishi Motors Corp. increased their sales 3.7 percent and 8.7 percent, respectively, the association said.

Honda Motor Co.'s sales suffered a 20.9 percent drop while sales by Mazda Motor Corp. decreased 7.5 percent.

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#90306u0566 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
COLUMBUS, GA (NOV. 2) UPI - The mother of a hostage shot by Iraqi soldiers and now used as a human shield at a chemical plant has rejected Saddam Hussein's invitation to come to the Middle East for a holiday visit.

Ann Hoffman of Columbus called the invitation to visit Baghdad ''ridiculous,'' and said she wants her injured son sent home immediately.

Her son, Miles Hoffman, reportedly was shot and suffered a compound fracture of the left arm during the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, where he worked as a financial analyst and investor for the Kuwaiti government.

''I just want him home,'' the hostage's mother said Thursday. ''He is injured. His arm's not healing. He needs an operation.''

French hostages released this week report the former Atlanta investment banker being held at a chemical plant 45 miles south of Baghdad, needs immediate medical atention. He reportedly is so weak that he cannot walk with his fellow hostages, who are allowed 45 minutes each day to exercise.

''Our latest information on Miles is bad,'' said his sister, Evelyn H. Barfield of Columbus. ''His condition has deteriorated. He's in a lot of pain and in need of surgery now. I have no idea what his condition will be by Christmastime.''

Miles Hoffman's brother, Chancellor Hoffman, said the family is angry and wants the hostage sent home immediately.

The mother has written letters to both the Iraqi president and Iraq's ambassador to the United States, pleading for the 33-year-old man's release.

Chancellor Hoffman also called the presidental palace of Jordan's King Hussein seeking his assistance but getting no results.

''We don't give a durn about Christmas or Thanksgiving,'' Chancellor Hoffman said. ''We want him out now.''

The hostage and his fiancee Nikki Murgatroyd of Forton, England, were to have been married Aug. 17, two weeks after the Aug. 2 invason of Kuwait. They met in Kuwait, but she was in England planning the wedding during the invasion.

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#90306u0567 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) UPI - Civilian unemployment rates for the past year,

revised and adjusted for seasonal factors, as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

Month	Percent
October 1989	5.3
November	5.3
December	5.3
January	5.3
February	5.3
March	5.2
April	5.4
May	5.3
June	5.2
July	5.5
August	5.6
September	5.7
October 1990	5.7

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#90306u0568 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) UPI - Unemployment rates by category, seasonally adjusted as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

Category	Oct	Sept	Aug	Oct 89
Civilian	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.3
Military-Civ	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.2
Adult men	5.1	5.1	5.0	4.5
Adult women	4.9	5.0	4.9	4.8
Teenagers	16.2	15.5	16.7	14.9
White	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.5
Black	11.8	12.1	11.8	11.7
Hispanic	8.1	8.7	7.8	8.0

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#90306u0569 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

SAGINAW, MI (NOV. 2) UPI - The search intensified Friday for a drugstore clerk who killed two of his co-workers with a claw hammer.

A statewide alert was issued for Steven E. King, 28, who is thought to have fled the area and possibly the state.

King is accused of killing George Bowles, 17, and Bertha Aldridge, 24, Wednesday night at a Perry Drug Store in Saginaw.

Aldridge died Wednesday night and Bowles died Thursday at St. Mary's Medical Center. A 59-year-old pharmacist who heard screams from the storeroom also was attacked but managed to escape with minor injuries.

Det. Sgt. Mike McCullen said investigators don't know what prompted the attack. King had worked at the store since August and was on friendly terms with all of his fellow employees, he said.

''There was no indication of previous problems. It looks like he just went on the nut,'' McCullen said. ''We really want to get this guy. We believe he is extremely dangerous.''

McCullen said little is known about King other than that he came to Saginaw about a year ago and may be a native of New York.

The Halloween night killings took place in a storeroom. There were customers in the store but none witnessed the slayings. King fled on foot. The pharmacist, whose name was not released, was treated and released.

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#90306u0570 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Assets of the nation's 525 money market mutual funds fell by $140.4 million to $415.39 billion in the week ended Wednesday, the Investment Company Institute reported Thursday.

The Washington-based institute said broker-dealer fund assets decreased by $475.9 million to $164.72 billion, assets of general purpose funds rose by $429.7 million to $147.73 billion, and institutional fund assets fell by $94.2 million to $102.94 billion.

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.42 percent, down from 7.45 the previous week, and 30-day simple yields were 7.45 percent, off from 7.46 percent.

The average maturity of fund portfolios rose to 47 days from 46.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.86 percent, unchanged; Super-Now accounts, 4.94 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.43 percent, down from 7.46; 1-year CDs, 7.52 percent, down from 7.55; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.63 percent, off from 7.66; and five-year CDs, 7.78 percent, off from 7.79 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.17 percent, down from 8.20 percent the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to

9.67 percent, off from 9.76, while the average rate for a 30- year, fixed-rate mortgage eased to 10.01 percent, down from 10.09 percent.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan fell to 12.10 percent from 12.11 percent last week.

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#90306u0571 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 2) UPI - Environmental and consumer groups begin a national ad campaign today criticizing President Bush for opposing tougher energy conservation laws while sending U-S soldiers to the Mideast to protect oil supplies.

Political observers in Tokyo say Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu's handling of the Persian Gulf crisis could cost him his job. The reason is Kaifu's UNpopular proposal to provide NON-combat support for the multi-national forces in the Persan Gulf.

Officials who asked not to be named say the problem with the secret military payload of the space shuttle Atlantis may NOT be as serious as was first thought. They say that Atlantis might be ready for flight as early as November 15th, six days behind schedule.

11 people were injured yesterday when a United Airlines flight from Hong Kong to Seattle hit severe air turbulence over the Pacific Ocean. Seven passengers and four flight attendants were hurt when the plane hit turbulence about four hours before landing at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport.

A study by the NON-partisan Economic Policy Institute says the economy may be headed toward a deeper recession than economists initially forecast. The study blames the fact that American households have become so dependent on debt to maintain comfortable living standards.

A South African woman jailed in Zimbabwe for spying on the African National Congress has been released after serving three years of a 12-year term. Officials in Zimbabwe handed the woman over to South African officials yesterday.

Malaysian Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad today told visiting black leader Nelson Mandela that Malaysia will provide the neccessary assistance to the African National Congress. Mandela arrived in Maylasia yesterday from Japan for a four-day visit.

91 Vietnamese boatpeople who fled their homeland to Malaysia in hopes of better life in the West will return voluntarily to Vietnam. They were promised financial incentives under the United Nations repatriation program.

The president of Rwanda said today he will welcome home thousands of Rwandan

refugees scattered around east Africa after a month of civil war. He also said that Rwanda is ready for multi-party democracy.

Officials in Singapore say an American sailor who scaled the fence of the Thai Embassy grounds and broke into the ambassador's residence will be subject to U-S military disciplinary proceedings. Seaman Kelly Wiley was stationed on the U-S-S Schenectady.

A smoky fire killed 11 female workers as they slept in a small garment workshop in Thailand early today. Police are investigating the possibility that the fire was caused by negligence.

Musician Chief Petty Officer George Thompson Junior yesterday became the first Afro-American ever commissioned as an officer in the U-S Navy's music program. He will become a bandmaster in the nation's capital.

It was close, but NO cigar for a Seattle man trying to become the first person to fly a floatplane around the world. Tom Casey ditched his single-engine Cessna 206 on floats near the Aleutian Island chain. The Coast Guard is expected to reach him this morning. Casey was due to complete his circumnavigation of the globe Sunday in Seattle.

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#90306u0585 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (NOV. 2) UPI - The German government said Friday they are confident that other European personalities will join former Chancellor Willy Brandt on his controversial trip to Iraq next week.

''It is highly unlikely that Herr Brandt will travel alone,'' said Foreign Ministry spokesman Juergen Chrobog.

The statement appeared to imply that former Italian Prime Minister Emilio Colombo and former Belgian Finance Minister Willy de Clercq might join Brandt on the trip to Baghdad.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl had asked the European Community president, Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, to suggest to United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar that Colombo and de Clercq should travel to Iraq as special envoys.

Perez de Cuellar, in talks with Brandt Wednesday wished the former chancellor good luck but declined to name him as U.N envoy.

Britain reacted angrily to the plan Thursday, saying that such visits must be discouraged and complaining the British government was not consulted.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was reportedly furious over the plans.

But German government spokesman Hans Klein said Friday the trip was in agreement with a European Community summit decision taken last weekend in Rome to discourage isolated visits to Baghdad.

''In its activities, the federal government strictly adheres to the Oct. 28 declaration of the European Council in Rome,'' Klein said.

Chrobog added that the govenment is seeking strong support from other European nations for Brandt's trip.

''This is a journey by Herr Brandt under his own responsibility, which enjoys the support of party representatives of other large European parties,'' Chrobog said.

''It is very important that we demand the release of all hostages, not just the Germans,'' he said. About 400 Germans are still being held in Iraq and Kuwait with hundreds of other nationals.

''Concerning Herr Brandt's mission, this is a mission planned in the framework of Europe and not an isolated action,'' Chrobog said.

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#90306u0589 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) UPI - Industry unemployment rates, seasonally adjusted, as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

Industry	Oct	Sept	Aug	Oct 89
Mining, Oil	3.7	3.8	4.9	4.8
Construction	13.2	11.8	11.1	9.3
Manufacturing	5.7	5.7	5.8	5.4
Transport & Util.	4.1	3.9	4.1	3.9
Whsl & rtl trade	6.7	6.6	6.2	5.9
Finance & service	4.4	4.7	4.7	4.3
Government	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.7
Agriculture	8.2	9.3	9.7	9.8

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#90306u0599 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

MALDEN, MA (NOV. 2) UPI - A teenager allegedly beaten by a motorist whose luxury car was hit by an egg on Halloween night has died, authorities said Friday.

Timothy Doucette, 18, of Somerville was declared dead late Thursday at University Hospital in Boston.

Police said the incident apparently began sometime late Halloween night when

Doucette and two other boys and two girls were fooling around and tossing eggs in Bell Rock Park in Malden.

One of the eggs apparently struck a blue Cadillac that was passing by on an adjacent street.

The youths ran off and the motorist drove around to the other side of the park where he confronted the teens, demanding to know who threw the egg.

''You think you punks are funny,'' witnesses told police the driver said.

Police said the driver then threw one of the teens against a fence, injuring the youth's eye, and grabbed Doucette.

The driver, described as over 6 feet tall and a muscular 220 pounds, punched Doucette and banged his head against a sign post. Doucette cracked his skull as he fell to the sidewalk, police said.

''You'd better get an ambulance for your punk friend,'' witnesses said the motorist yelled just before he backed down the street and drove away.

Doucette was first taken to Malden Hospital, but was transferred to University Hospital after he lapsed into a coma.

Police said they have made no arrests in the case.

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#90306u0609 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Nov. 1: Purchases of 463, 089 shares and sales of 421,376 shares including 16,016 shares sold short.

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#90306u0612 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) UPI - The Index of Leading Economic Indicators, a barometer of future economic activity, declined 0.8 percent in September in yet another warning sign of tough times ahead, the government said Friday.

The drop, in line with forecasts by private analysts, follows a revised decline of 1.2 percent in August. In July, the index was unchanged.

Three or more consecutive negative quarters in the index indicate the danger of an impending recession, although the United States has seen the index fall into that pattern in recent years and not wind up in a downturn.

''The probability of a recession based on the index has gone to over 90 percent,'' said Micheal Niemira, an economist at Mitsubishi Bank in New York. ''It seems to be a forecast of recession.

''The real problem is you can't find anuything out there that really looks positive,'' Niemira said. ''There's a lot of uncertainty behind a lot of the slow down,'' mainly because of the latest Middle East crisis.

Nine of the 11 indicators that make up the index contributed to the decline, while one indicator - contracts and orders for plant and equipment - made a positive contribution, the Commerce Department said.

The average workweek, meanwhile, was unchanged during September.

The negatives, listed from the largest contributor to the smallest, were stock prices, manufacturers' new orders for consumer goods and materials, average weekly initial jobless claims, building permits, consumer expectations, change in manufactuers' unfilled orders, money supply, vendor performance and sensitive materials prices.

Kermit Baker, an economist at Cahners Economics in Newton, Mass., noted two of the negatives - stock prices and consumer expectations - are ''really based on a very quick impression on how things are going and could come back quick if things start looking better.''

Nonetheless, it appears ''the worst time for the economy is certainly going to be over the next four to five months,'' Baker said.

For the last six months the index has increased 0.2 percent, but for the last 12 months the government barometer has dropped 1.1 percent, according to the data compiled by the department's Economics and Statistics Administration.

The composite index of coincident indicators, a monthly approximation of aggregate economic activity, fell 0.4 percent in September after declining 0.1 percent in August and dropping 0.2 percent in July.

The composite index of lagging indicators, which confirms movements in the conicident index, was down 0.2 percent in September after dropping 0.5 percent in August and increasing 0.5 percent in July.

The data are subject to revision.

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#90306u0613 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

DUBLIN, IRELAND (NOV. 2) UPI - An unofficial delegation of three Irish legislators was scheduled Friday to meet Iraqi authorities in Baghdad in a private bid to secure the release of about 220 Irish citizens stranded in Iraq

and Kuwait.

In another development, the Irish Foreign Ministry summoned the Iraqi ambassador, Azmi al-Salihi, to explain the circumstances of the Irish hostages snared in the turmoil spawned by Baghdad's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Officials said Iraq's envoy - who is also accredited to Britain - met Foreign Minister Gerald Collins for about 30 minutes, but could give no assurances as to when the hostages would be released.

As al-Salihi left, he told reporters that the hostages were ''our guests. When circumstances improve, they can leave, certainly.''

The official moves were apparently to deflect any possible criticism Dublin may incur for the visit by the three politicians, who are defying an agreement among the 12-nation European Community reached in Rome last weekend not to negotiate individually with Iraq over hostages.

The government initially blessed the mission for the representative of Irelan's three major political parties, but has withdrawn official support since the EC summit. A Foreign Ministry official said the trip did not have the government's ''seal of approval.''

Britain on Thursday criticized Germany and Italy for endorsing another unofficial humanitarian mission by former Chancellor Willy Brandt, saying the trip contravened the Rome agreement.

Prime Minister Charles Haughey personally urged the three not to undertake the trip, but the group shunned his advice and left for Jordan on Thursday in order to make their Friday appointment in Baghdad.

The three are David Andrews of the ruling Fianna Fail Party, Paul Bradford of the opposition Fine Gael Party, and Labor's Micheal D. Higgens, who is mayor of Galway town.

A spokeswoman for Higgens said the group was staying at Baghdad's Rashid hotel and would meet officials from the Iraqi Foreign Ministry.

''It's all very loose,'' she said. ''It is being organized on the ground by the Irish hostages themselves.''

In London, an Iraqi diplomat said the three may meet Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. A session with Iraq's President Saddam Hussein had been requested, but remained unconfirmed, he said.

''Usually we don't fix appointments from here,'' he said. ''They will be received by the Foreign Office, and I am sure that they will have all the meetings that they require.''

Their visit is being funded by the Gulf Relative's Support Group of Ireland, which raised $15,000 for the trip.

''This will be the first visit by Irish parliamentarians to Iraq,'' a spokeswoman said. ''We are very happy they are going.''

Most of the some 220 Irish listed as being in the region are employees of the Irish-managed Parc Hospital, but an unspecified number are in hiding in Kuwait. Reports have said four doctors, including three injured in an accident last week, and three nurses, have been granted exit visas from Iraq.

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#90306u0626 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 2) UPI - The U.S. commander general in the Persian Gulf said there are alternatives to destroying Iraq in the quest for peace and Middle East stability, and Iraq gave its ''word of honor'' Friday that the families of hostages would be allowed to come and go freely if they visited Iraq at Christmas.

Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf said in remarks published Friday in the New York Times that ''if we have to fight, I am going to use everything that is available me to inflict the maximum number of casualties on the enemy as possible.''

He said the ''ultimate objective is to make sure that we have peace, stability and a correct balance of power in the Middle East.'' Schwarzkopf said one way to accomplish that ''would be the total destruction of Iraq, but I am not sure that is in the interest of the long-term balance of power in this region.''

''... I do think there are other alternatives to having to drive on to Baghdad and literally dig out the entire Baathist regime and destroy them all in order to have peace and stability in the area,'' he said.

''Right now there are peacekeeping forces in a lot of areas of the world that are maintaining the peace, and perhaps that's an alternative.''

Schwarzkopf, whose nickname is ''Stormin' Norman,'' also described Iraqi President Saddam Hussein - who has defied for three months international pressure to withdraw his troops from Kuwait - as a ''meglomaniac'' and ''ruthless,'' but ''not stupid.''

The U.S. general, who commands an estimated 210,000 U.S. troops deployed to the Persian Gulf following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of the oil-rich emirate, indicated while a war could erupt at any time, he did not expect military action in the coming weeks.

Schwarzkopf said in the interview published Friday that he wanted everything

possible done to avoid a war. But, he said, once war erupts, he would be ''ferocious enough to do whatever is necessary to get it over as quickly as possible in victory.''

Schwarzkopf had told the Atlanta Journal and Consitution last week that he would prefer to bring his troops home safely without a fight because a confrontation with Iraqi troops in the desert would result in serious American casualties.

President Bush said Thursday the time for diplomatic pressure was running short, but denied he was ''trying to prepare our country for war.''

Bush also dismissed Saddam's offer to allow families to visit the thousands of foreign hostages in Iraq and Kuwait at Christmas, saying ''I don't think he'll win any humanitarian rewards for this.''

The official Iraqi news agency INA quoted the country's minister of culture as expressing surprise at the international condemnation of the offer to allow families to visit the estimated 4,000 hostages, who are being held at key economic and military sites as a human shield against possible attack from the U.S.-led force in the Persian Gulf.

''We emphasize that Iraq has a word of honor and (is) known for its morals and promises, therefore the families that will visit Iraq will ... possess their full freedom to travel again after meeting their relatives and their meetings will take place at comfortable places," said the minister, Latif Nesyef Jassim.

Iraq also announced Thursday it would release four ailing American hostages following an appeal by the American-Arab Fellowship for Reconciliation, a little known group which sent a delegation to Baghdad.

It was not immediately clear how many families would take Iraq up on the offer or if the crisis would last until Christmas. A source from the Iraqi Embassy in London said two families had contacted diplomats to ask about the proposed trips.

INA also reported Friday a chartered Iraqi Boeing 707 arrived in Baghdad with 15.5 tons of medicine from Switzerland, which sold the supplies to Iraq for an estimated $390,000.

Switzerland said the shipment did not violate the economic embargo imposed by the United Nations, which allows humanitarian shipments of medicine.

Also Friday, the British Broadcasting Corp. said Saudi Arabia had agreed to an international investigation of complaints that Yemeni workers in the kingdom had been mistreated and even tortured because of Yemen's pro-Iraqi stand in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Saudi Arabia has expelled hundreds of thousands of Yemeni workers in recent weeks, leading to a rift between the two Arab nations that caused an Arab League meeting last month to dissolve in animosity.

The Middle East News Agency, meanwhile, quoted the ambassador to Saudi Arabia for the exiled Kuwaiti government as repeating charges that Iraqi troops were mistreating Kuwaitis, whom he said were suffering from food shortages and inadequate medical care.

INA also reported Friday that Baghdad had sponsored an art exhibition at the Saddam Arts Center of works protesting the U.S.-led response to the Iraqi invasion.

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#90306u0642 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 2) UPI - It's ''On the Road Again'' for President Bush today. Bush is ignoring a recent decline in popularity polls and is campaigning at a fast pace for G-O-P candidates right up untill Tuesday's election. His schedule today calls for appearances in Ohio, Minnesota and Iowa.

A published report in Detroit says the number of arson fires during this week's three-day Devil's Night period increased for the first time in six years. Detroit Mayor Coleman Young and other city officials have refused to release the exact number of Devil's Night fires until later today. But city officials who asked NOT to be identified reportedly said the total will definitely be up from last year, when there were 223 fires.

U-S officials in Manila today restricted travel for 40-thousand servicemen and their dependents in the Philippines. The move came because of fears that communist rebel might stage attacks during talks next week on the future of American military bases. The talks begin Tuesday.

In Seattle last night, a federal grand jury returned a 300-page indictment against 15 people accused of participating in a nationwide scheme that allegedly defrauded banks, businesses and individuals out of Millions of dollars. The Tacoma, Washington-based Puget Sound Bank was said to have been bilked out of four-and-one-half Million dollars in bad loans.

More rallies are scheduled today outside the Daily News headquarters in midtown Manhattan by groups supporting the nine unions striking against the paper. Last night, about 13-thousand people demonstrated against Daily News management. Leaders of the city's largest unions vowed to choke the paper if it does NOT reach an accord with the strikers.

Police say about 10-thousand Hindus tried to storm a mosque in north India today in an attempt to begin construction of a temple. Police opened fire to stop the procession, killing at least 16 people and wounding 30 others. More

than 130 people have died in violence in India since Tuesday when Hindus first tried to begin construction of the temple.

The World Health Organization says cases of AIDS around the world increased by almost three-point seven percent in October. The United States accounted for half of the increase, with 52-hundred 77 new cases and a total of almost 150-thousand cases. That's half of the world figure.

China has quietly begun raising the state-set consumer prices of many daily necessities. The risky economic reform move already is causing hoarding and price speculation among residents of Beijing. The government has NOT commented on the price hikes, except to say that price reform is an economic necessity.

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#90306u0653 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 2) UPI - U.S. officials restricted travel Friday for 40,000 American servicemen and dependents in the Philippines, fearing communist rebel attacks during next week's talks on the future of U.S. military bases.

Philippine sources said the third round of negotiations will be held Nov. 8-10 at the heavily guarded Central Bank building in Manila on the fate of Clark Air Base and Subic Bay Naval Station. The lease covering Washington's oldest and largest overseas military bases expires Sept. 16, 1991.

The United States has indicated it is willing to consider allowing the Philippines to take over Clark.

At least 10 Americans have been killed since October 1987 in attacks blamed on communist guerrillas who want the bases removed. Those killed included army Col. James Rowe, a decorated hero of the Vietnam War who was killed in his car in the capital.

Lt. Col. Ron Rand, spokesman at Clark - home of the 13th Air Force - appeared on American military television to announce the latest restrictions, which include a 9 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. curfew for servicemen outside of ''duty or emergency'' travel.

From 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., personnel who live off base are allowed to travel between the base and their quarters on essential business, Rand said. Travel from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. is allowed within secured compounds, he said.

Rand said travel to Manila, Camp John Hay in the mountain resort city of Baguio, and Wallace Air Station in La Union province is not authorized except on official business with the commander's approval.

At Subic, a repair and logistics center for the U.S. 7th Fleet, spokesman Lt.

Cmdr. Kevin Mukri said similar liberty curtailments would go into effect at 11 p.m. Friday for some 16,000 troops and personnel manning the facility.

Mukri said reports from U.S. and Philippine sources showed the threat against servicemen ''has significantly increased.''

Rand said, ''We are taking this action because our security advisers believe there is an increased threat as a result of the upcoming bases talks.'' He said the restrictions will go on indefinitely and called on troops to ''be smart, be alert and be safe.''

The 19,000-member NPA, armed wing of the outlawed Communist Party of the Philippines, has been fighting to establish a Marxist state in the former U.S. colony for the past 21 years.

On the eve of the first round of bases talks in May, guerrillas gunned down two visiting servicemen outside Clark. The rebels also bombed a transmission tower of the Voice of America a day before the second round of talks began in September.

During the September negotiations, the Philippines told the American panel headed by special negotiator Richard Armitage it would take over Clark and four smaller facilities, but would agree to a phase-down of Subic.

The United States said the proposal for Manila to take over Clark would consider the proposal and submit it to Washington. The U.S. representatives promised the proposal would be discussed in the next round of talks.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $379.80 silver base of $4.23 and platinum price of $425.00:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$395.50	396.80
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	202.90	203.60
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	104.20	104.60
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.10	43.20
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	395.50	396.80
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	202.90	204.60
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	104.70	105.10
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.10	43.20
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	401.80	403.20
China Panda .50 troy oz.	207.00	207.70
China Panda .25 troy oz.	107.40	107.70
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.40	46.50

China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.10	27.80
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	395.60	396.90
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	202.10	202.80
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	102.10	102.50
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.00	44.10
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	394.10	394.90
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	204.00	204.40
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	104.70	104.90
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.60	44.60
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	393.90	394.70
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	202.50	203.00
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.90	87.10
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	45.10
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.00	24.00
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.64	$5.58
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,220	$3,180
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,375	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	440.00	450.00
Isle of Man Noble	437.00	447.00
Canada Maple Leaf	448.00	458.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) UPI - The nation's jobless rate remained at 5.7 percent in October, but the government said Friday the overall job market showed further weakness and economists warned the report shows the economy has slipped into recession.

The Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said large job losses in the construction and manufacturing industries, and a slight downturn in non-farm payroll employment, were offset partially by gains in the service sector.

''It's a clear indication we're in recession,'' said Cynthia Latta, an economist at DRI/McGraw Hill, in Lexington, Mass. ''If the number of jobs out there is shrinking, I don't know how you can call it anything else.''

''While that may not be the correct conclusion, it is the most reasonable one to draw,'' said Robert Dederick, chief economist at the Northern Trust Co. in Chicago. ''We've lost our footing, that's for sure.''

Total civilian employment slipped to 117.7 million in October from 117.8 million the month before. The government said employment has dropped by 700,000 since mid-year after gaining 500,000 jobs during the first half of the year.

Janet Norwood, the bureau's commissioner, told the Joint Economic Committee the report offers more evidence of deterioration in the job market.

''For the third month in a row, more industries lost jobs than gained them,'' she said. ''In addition, cutbacks occurred both in the overall average workweek and in the factory workweek.''

The civilian labor force, which stands at 124.8 million, has shown no growth since the spring, despite increases in the working age population. As a result fewer teenagers are entering the job market. The number of adult women entering the work force also edged down after a long upward trend, the government said.

Norwood said the bureau's survey of employers ''continues to point to a worsening employment picture.''

Excluding the effect of the Census Bureau's elimination of temporary workers in recent months, the nation's employment payroll has weakened steadily since June.

''Over this period, the number of payroll jobs has show no net gain, as sizable losses in the goods industries have been barely offset by gains in the service sector,'' she said.

Non-farm payroll declined by 68,000 jobs as substantial job losses in construction, manufacturing and retail trade offset gains in some services and state and local government positions.

The greatest job loss during the month came in the construction industry, which lost 80,000 jobs during the month. A building slowdown, largely a result of declines in the overall economy, has caused a loss of 185,000 construction jobs in the past five months, the government said.

Manufacturing employment slipped by 60,000 jobs in October, continuing a downward trend that has seen the nation's factories cut 175,000 workers in the past three months. Employment in this sector has been reduced by 580,000 jobs since January 1989.

Trouble continued to follow the retail industry as well with 50,000 jobs lost

in October after two smaller monthly declines. Wholesale trade companies lost 10,000 jobs during the month while makers of durable goods reduced their work forces by 25,000.

But the overall service industry gained 95,000 jobs in October, with much of the gain coming from health service jobs. Other areas of improvement included social services and private employment.

The average workweek for production and non-supervisory workers fell by half an hour during the month to 34.2 hours. Average hourly earnings for these workers was unchanged in October at $10.17. Average weekly hours, however, fell $4.07 - or 1.4 percent - to $349.85.

But for the year, hourly and weekly wages have gained: 3.7 percent and 2.5 percent respectively.

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BY CLAYTON NAFF - UPI

TOKYO (NOV. 2) UPI - Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu's mishandling of the Persian Gulf crisis appears likely to cost him his job, but President Bush is being stuck with the blame.

The result could be a serious worsening of U.S.-Japanese relations.

Kaifu's legislation to provide non-combat support for the multinational forces assembled in the gulf region is widely believed to be dead.

Newspaper polls of Japanese lawmakers show a solid majority in both houses opposes the bill and political insiders confirm those polls.

As a result, Kaifu stands no chance of re-election when his term ends in October, political observers say. The more pressing question is whether he can survive that long.

''Kaifu is finished,'' said Seizaburo Sato, a political scientist and confidant of former Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone.

Even members of Kaifu's Liberal Democratic Party are hinting he will have to go.

''It's possible we will have to change to another Cabinet,'' said Setsu Shiga, a Liberal Democrat and close Kaifu associate.

The first hurdle for Kaifu is an election Sunday in his home district of Aichi Prefecture. The election is being touted as a referendum on Kaifu's Middle East policy.

''Kaifu will be okay if we win,'' Shiga said. But if the seat goes to either the Socialists or the Communists, Kaifu will be on the ropes, he added.

Kaifu's mishandling of the gulf question is widely blamed in the Japanese press on Bush. Although Bush said he respected Japan's constitutional limits on deployment of forces, there is a persistent belief in Japan that he has privately pressured Kaifu to send troops to the gulf.

U.S. and Japanese officials say the United States has never asked Japan to send troops - only to contribute personnel to the effort opposing Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Japanese public's unwillingness to believe this results largely from Kaifu's about-face on deploying troops, analysts said.

On Aug. 29, Kaifu promised he would not send troops to the gulf. At the time officials were planning a volunteer corps of civilians, retired officers and unarmed soldiers seconded to the Foreign Ministry.

In late September Kaifu met with Bush in New York on his way to the Middle East. By the time he returned from the Middle East, efforts to recruit volunteers had failed miserably and Kaifu was beginning to hint that troops might be sent after all.

The government resorted to a bill to create something called ''United Nations Peace Cooperation Corps,'' to be composed mainly of uniformed and lightly armed Japanese soldiers.

''The bill was a fatal mistake,'' Sato said. ''Most people think Kaifu was forced by the United States. It's very shameful and is causing great resentment against the United States''

Sato, who was called to testify Thursday before the parliamentary committee considering the bill, said Kaifu already had the constitutional authority to dispatch destroyers and minesweepers to the gulf to protect sea lanes.

If he had exercised leadership to send the vessels and offer money quickly, he would have been spared this trauma, Sato said.

Speculation on Kaifu's tenure ranges between days and months.

''When this session ends (on Nov. 10), Kaifu will have to resign to take responsibility for this failure,'' said a member of the opposition Japan Socialist Party.

But others say the lack of a clear successor will keep Kaifu in office until one emerges.

In Japan, the prime minister is chosen not by voters but by backroom struggles between factions of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party.

The battle to be king, or more important, kingmaker, sometimes rages for months.

''The tottering Kaifu government will survive until at least May,'' predicted Masaya Ito, a party insider.

But no one seems able to predict who will succeed Kaifu.

Ex-Foreign Minister Shintaro Abe, once viewed as Kaifu's heir apparent, is gravely ill.

His main rival, former Finance Minister Kiichi Miyazawa, has not yet marshalled enough political might to take on the faction backing Kaifu, Ito said.

Kaifu, who came to office in 1989 as a caretaker following a series of disasterous scandals, could conceivably be replaced by another caretaker, such as his own foreign minister, Taro Nakayama, Ito said.

Meanwhile, the imminent failure of the bill appears likely to heighten perceptions abroad that Japan wants its allies to risk their soldiers' lives for Japanese interests in the gulf.

The Japanese public, on the other hand, feels the United States is recklessly bullying Japan into giving up its long-held pacificism for a short-sighted goal.

The result, analysts said, can only be increased strains in the U.S.- Japanese alliance.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Newspapers across the country appear to be reading the same message from President Bush - he is keeping the pressure on Iraq's Saddam Hussein, comparing him with Adolf Hitler, but he is denying his bellicose words are a prelude to war in the Persian Gulf.

In campaign stops in Massachusetts and Florida Thursday Bush escalated the rhetorical war against Saddam while his spokesman told reporters the reason for the tough talk was that ''if we have to take dramatic action, we want the American people to know why.''

Friday's Washington Times in Washington, D.C., proclaimed in a banner headline: ''Bush prepares the country for war.''

But USA Today said in its headline, ''Bush softens war of words,'' The Washington Post proclaimed, ''Bush denies preparing U.S. for war'' and the

Cincinnati Inquirer said, ''Bush talks tougher, but denies war is aim.'' The New York Times carried the Bush story on the inside with the headline, ''President seeks to clarify stand.''

In Boston, The Boston Globe headline read, ''Bush plays down potential for war'' under which a subhead says ''President seeks to clarify bellicose words.'' The Boston Herald heads its story with, ''No compromise - Bush fires verbal shots at Saddam in Bay State stop.''

Many newspapers picked up on Bush's repeat comparison of Saddam to Hitler. In an Orlando, Fla., news conference Bush said many Americans are being held in Iraq against their will, ''many reportedly staked out as human targets, something Hitler didn't do.''

In Ohio, The Columbus Dispatch and the Dayton Daily News carried page one headlines respectively: ''Saddam is like Hitler, Bush says'' and ''Bush says Saddam worse than Hitler.'' The Cleveland Plain Dealer said, ''Bush flogs Saddam from along campaign trail,'' while The Akron Beacon Journal used Bush's quote from a day earlier, '''I have had it,' Bush says of Iraq.''

In New Jersey, headlines picked up on the Saddam-Hitler comparison. The (Newark) Star-Ledger, ''President assails Saddam brutality;'' The Record of Hackensack, ''Bush says Hussein's as brutal as Hitler;'' The (Trenton) Times, ''Bush lashes out at Iraqi brutality;'' and The Trentonian, ''Bush: Saddam's brutalities rival those of Adolf Hitler.'' The Asbury Park Press headline read: ''Iraq vows to free 4 captives, denies mistreatment.''

Other headlines around the country:

The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette: ''Bush: Some of Saddam's acts surpass Hitler's.''

The Des Moines Register: ''Bush likens brutality of Iraq to that of Hitler.''

The Houston Post: ''Bush likens Saddam to Hitler - But says he's not sounding alarm of war.''

The Houston Chronicle: ''Bush blasts brutal acts by Saddam - Defends comparison to Hitler.''

The Los Angeles Times: ''Bush steps up his anti-Hussein campaign.''

The San Jose Mercury News: ''Bush insists he isn't crying war.''

In Texas, the Austin American-Statesman: ''Bush escalates war of words against Saddam.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - A national index of wanted-advertising weakened further in September, indicating the labor market slump shows no sign of easing, the index's authors said Friday.

The Conference Board, a private business research organization based in New York, said advertising volume was hit by rising layoffs and general unemployment.

The index fell to 122 in September, down from 127 in August and down 24 points from the year-ago figure.

''The slumping labor market shows no sign of abating. Layoffs remain elevated, unemployment is slowly rising, and want-ad volume continues to decline at a significant pace,'' said Conference Board Economist Ken Goldstein.

''The economy is clearly very soft. It is much too soft to generate enough job growth to keep unemployment from climbing,'' he said.

Advertising volume fell in seven regions and rose in only two. The Moutain and West South Central regions registered ''modest'' increases of 3.15 percent and 0.6 percent, respectively.

The hardest hit was New England, with a 7.6 percent fall. It was followed by the Pacific, with a 6.9 percent decline and West North Central, 5.7 percent down.

Regionally, the East Coast is ''in significantly worse shape'' than either the West Coast or the Heartland, the Conference Board said.

''New England has been and continues to be the region most affected by developing economic problems. The Middle Atlantic region has been in almost as bad shape, due in no small part to problems in the financial industries,'' Goldstein said in a statement.

The survey, of 51 major newspapers across the country each month, uses ad volume as a sensitive indicator of the local, regional, and national job markets.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 2) UPI - Cheyenne Brando, daughter of actor Marlon Brando and a possible witness against her half-brother in his upcoming murder trial, lay comatose in a Tahitian hosptial after overdosing on drugs, it was reported Friday.

Physicians at Mamao Hospital told Marlon Brando on Thursday that ''the next eight hours are critical'' to her health, the Los Angeles Times said, quoting an unnamed source close to the Brando family.

A doctor at the hospital confirmed that Cheyenne was a patient there, but would not divulge further details.

Cheyenne Brando is a critical witness in the murder trial of her half-brother Christian, but shortly after he was arrested for allegedly shooting her lover, Dag Drollet, to death, she fled to Tahiti.

Prosecutors have requested a delay in Monday's scheduled start of the murder

trial to continue their attempts to compel Cheyenne to return to testify.

Christian Brando admitted shooting Drollet, but insisted it was an accident that took place during a struggle over a gun. Shortly after the shooting, Cheyenne told police it had not been an accident.

She gave birth to Drollet's son Tookie in Tahiti, where she was charged in complicity with her lover's death.

Drollet's father told the Times last month that Cheyenne has been in psychiatric hospitals twice for drug detoxification since she returned to Tahiti.

Jacques Drollet accused her of ''roaming about in Papeete ... where she has been seen shopping with her mother, Tarita, and her son, Tookie. She is also going out to the beaches and the nightclubs with her new boyfriend, an Italian.''

Marlon Brando, however, insists that his daughter has suffered physical and mental ailments since a near-fatal auto accident and Drollet's death, and at his last court appearance with his son, he wept when asked about her condition.

The prosecution's request to delay the trial is pending before a federal appeals court.

Prosecutors have also asked the Santa Monica Superior Court judge to rule on whether a formal request for help from French authorities in returning Cheyenne to California should be issued.

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CENTRAL SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 2) UPI - The U.S. Postal Service may not stop for rain, snow or dark of night, but Sgt. Michael Bragg says American troops have come up with something that is sure slowing the mail down - letters filled with Saudi Arabian sand.

''They are sending it and it's messing up our machines,'' Bragg said Friday. ''The sand comes out of the letters in leaks and it gets into our (postage stamp) cancelling machines and they get bogged down by the sand.''

Bragg, who sorts mail for U.S. forces participating in Operation Desert Shield said sand-filled letters have caused the canceling machines to break down several times, and on one occasion postal workers had to resort to stamping mail by hand because both machines were out of order.

With 30 tons of mail coming to American troops in central Saudi Arabia each week and 90 tons to forces in the eastern part of the country, stamping the

mail by hand can become a time-consuming process.

''There's nothing wrong with sending sand, but they've got to put it in boxes and mark it because that's merchandise and it needs a customs tag,'' added Sgt. Thomas Brown, another postal worker. ''You just can't seal it in an envelope and send it through a cancelling machine.''

Bragg said he's not sure exactly why so many soldiers are trying to ship Saudi sand back to the United States, but it has become a popular pasttime. Some troopers, when forced to eat the military field rations, try to get the ones with a tiny bottle of tobasco sauce inside so they can fill the miniature container with sand.

''They say the sand here in Saudi Arabia is holy sand,'' Bragg said. ''I guess that's one of the reasons why a lot of people want to send the sand home.''

Sand isn't the only problem that the post office workers face. Some people have tried to send alcohol and magazines like Playboy and Penthouse to American soldiers in Saudi Arabia, which has strict laws against drinking and nudity.

Postal workers said the Saudi customs officials destroy the magazines. The officials could have fined the soldier to whom the liquor was mailed, but they declined to do so, the Americans said.

Another problem is getting the mail to the proper person. To ensure quick delivery, postal workers said the letter must contain the soldier's rank, name Social Security number, unit and proper postal number.

The postal workers also were concerned about the Christmas rush and said mail should be sent early. But Bragg said sand continued to be one of the biggest problems.

His post office is a tiny bit of Americana stuck in the middle of Saudi Arabia. It has electronic scales for weighing mail, rows of combination postal boxes for U.S. residents living in Saudi Arabia and signs urging people to vote.

''Some things were never meant to be mailed,'' one sign said. ''Please check with local postal officials before attempting to mail any questionable materials.''

But still the sand keeps coming.

''I get letters on my desk full of sand and I just return them to their commanders,'' Bragg said. ''I already put a letter out saying, 'Tell the troops not to send sand,' but still they send it.''

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#90306u0725 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (NOV. 2) UPI - Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip observed a general strike Friday to protest the 73rd anniversary of the Balfour Declaration, a statement of British policy supporting a Jewish homeland in Palestine.

To prevent demonstrations, the army clamped curfews on much of the Gaza Strip and West Bank. Five Gaza Strp Arabs suffered slight wounds during clashes with troops in Gaza City, Palestinian sources said.

Security forces also stopped Palestinians from the occupied territories from entering Jerusalem to attend Friday Moslem prayers at the Al Aqsa Mosque on the Temple Mount, the site of a deadly clash last month. Palestinians were turned back at checkpoints set up at the city's entrances.

Police prevented young Moslems from entering the Temple Mount. Prayers were held without incident.

Shops were closed and many Arab workers stayed home in observance of the strike.

The Balfour Declaration was seen as great victory by Zionists working to establish a Jewish state in Palestine. The declaration cleared the way for Jewish settlement and development that helped lay the groundwork for the foundation of Israel in 1948.

On Nov. 2, 1917, British Foreign Secretary Arthur J. Balfour conveyed to Lord Rothschild a statement declaring that Britain ''view(ed) with favor the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people.''

Opponents of the declaration, including Arab residents of Palestine, said Britain had promised the Jews land that did not belong to Britain.

In a separate development Friday, a Jerusalem court ordered a Palestinian who was extradited from the United States on murder charges held 15 days for investigation. Mahmoud Abed Atta is accused of machine- gunning to death an Israeli bus driver in the West Bank during a 1986 attack by Abu Nidal's guerrilla organization.

Atta was brought back to Israel Wednesday after fighting extradition for three years. The State Department has said the Abu Nidal group has threatened to attack U.S. targets if Atta were extradited.

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MONTREAL (NOV. 2) UPI - A drop in demand for aircraft engines is the reason Pratt & Whitney Canada Inc., a subsidiary of Hartford, Conn.-based United Technologies Corp., will lay off up to 1,200 employees in January, a company official said Friday.

Pratt & Whitney spokeswoman Louise Boutin said a recession in Canada has resulted in customers asking the engine maker to cut deliveries. As a result, Boutin said "we have to reduce." The company will cut its workforce by 1,000 to 1,200 employees, she said.

The company employs 9,500 people, about 8,400 at a plant in the Montreal suburb of Longueuil. The company also operates two smaller plants near Toronto and in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Boutin said management will spend November assessing where cuts can be made and that employees would be informed in early December. She said all three plants will be affected and that the layoffs will take place in January.

Although the company doesn't see the current recession as being as deep as the one in 1981-1982, Boutin said it was impossible to know when the economy will recover.

Boutin wouldn't say say whether the lay offs would be temporary or permanent only that the cuts would affect manufacturing, engineering and support staff. Pratt & Whitney builds small gas turbine engines primarily for corporate jets and regional commuter aircraft.

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#90306u0731 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 2) UPI - Fallen East German leader Erich Honecker said in an interview published Friday he felt no guilt for the hundreds of Germans shot trying to cross the Berlin Wall and blamed Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev for betraying Communism.

''The intrigues which were aimed at destroying our party are already pretty transparent and they have done a lot of harm,'' Honecker said in the interview with the London-based newspaper The European. ''It was the same scenario in all the former socialist countries.''

''It won't be too long now before it becomes clear where the roots of these developments lay. The communist movement has suffered a defeat but will recover,'' Honecker said, naming Gorbachev as the intriguer.

The East German leader, who fell from power on Oct. 18 last year, was interviewed at he and his wife's tiny, drab apartment inside a heavily guarded Soviet military hospital at Bielitz, just outside Berlin.

The paper said he looked thin and was simply dressed but he denied that he had terminal cancer. He said he had undergone gallstone surgery and a large tumor was found but that it had been benign.

He said he had no fear of a show trial and lived on a small pension paid by the German government.

''I am not afraid of a show trial. I consider all the charges brought by the prosecutor's office to be untenable. I also reject responsibility for the ... 200 killed on the GDR borders. I have no personal guilt for that.

''And what, I ask myself, about those who killed GDR border guards while violating our frontiers,'' Honecker said.

Honecker said he felt bitter about the speed with which East Germans embraced the West.

''On the one hand it is a great disappointment to me that so many people have forgotten socialism and turned to the D-mark instead. But I am not afraid that former GDR citizens will threaten me or lynch me... Quite the contrary. In the end I will be seen to have been right. It has already become quite obvious to all what rights and social services they have lost,'' Honecker said.

Honecker said he was shocked at allegations of personal corruption.

''In the present situation they need scapegoats and I am being made the biggest one. My wife and I are shocked by the allegations and calumnies against us. We are accused of corruption and self-enrichment at the expense of the people. But Margot and I have nothing to reproach ourselves with. We did not lead a life of luxury and we do not have a bank account in Switzerland,'' he added.

Honecker complained he had been denied requests for a small ordinary flat in Berlin and permission to travel to Chile to visit his daughter.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 2) UPI - Jurors began deliberations Friday in a $7 million lawsuit filed against a priest and the Roman Catholic Church by a woman who claims the priest forced her into a sexual relationship and fathered her child.

Debbie McCorvey originally sought $11 million from the Catholic Diocese of Galveston-Houston and Father Fernando Noe Guzman. But her attorneys Thursday reduced the claim to $1 million in actual damages and $6 million in punitive damages.

McCorvey, 34, claims Guzman exploited her dependence on him as a counselor by

requiring her to have sex. She maintains their nearly two- year relationship was forced and violent.

The suit also claims church officials were at fault for not making sure Guzman 39, received counseling and therapy after he was discovered in a sexually compromising position with a 13-year-old girl at a Navasota church.

McCorvey's attorney, Jack Evans, said church officials ''sent a deviant in sheep's clothing'' when they transferred Guzman to a Galena Park church where McCorvey worked as a secretary.

When McCorvey sought counseling from Guzman, it was ''like a lamb to slaughter '' Evans said.

Jack Zimmermann, another McCorvey attorney, told the jury of eight men and four women that diocese officials tried to cover up Guzman's previous sexual misconduct. Bishop Joseph Fiorenza testified he did not know the extent of Guzman's misconduct or that it involved a minor.

Church officials claim McCorvey's relationship with Guzman was consensual. Attorney Margaret Wilson said McCorvey enjoyed the power of her job as parish secretary and director of religious education.

When McCorvey became pregnant by Guzman in 1986, she begged church officials to let her keep her job teaching religion to children and to allow Guzman to remain a priest, Wilson said.

But once Guzman was fired, McCorvey lost interest in him, the attorney argued.

''He was a nobody,'' she said of Guzman. ''He still wanted her, but she didn't want him anymore.''

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(NOV. 2) UPI - The New York Times quotes the commander of the U-S forces facing Iraq as saying that his troops can destroy Iraq. But General H-Norman Schwarzkopf warns that Iraq's total obliteration might NOT be ''in the interest of the long-term balance of power in the region.'' The general reportedly said that war could erupt ''anytime,'' but he says he does NOT expect any military action soon.

President Bush says he isN'T trying to prepare the nation for war, but aides say he's trying to ready the American people for any eventuality. The somewhat conflicting remarks yesterday are causing some confusion among headline writers today. The Washington Times newspaper carries the headline ''Bush Prepares Nation for War,'' while the headline in U-S-A today reads ''Bush Softens War of Words.'' Bush is to appear today at G-O-P rallies in

Cincinnati... Rochester, Minnesota... and Sioux City, Iowa.

An UNofficial delegation of three Irish legislators is scheduled to meet Iraqi authorities in Baghdad today in a private effort to win the release of about 220 Irish citizens stranded in Iraq and Kuwait. The three politicians are making the visit despite an agreement among the 12-nation European Communty last weekend NOT to negotiate individually with Iraq over hostages.

U-S Comptroller General Charles Bowsher says budget writers must scrutinize the need for every domestic and defense spending program, instead of just aiming for mandatory deficit-reduction targets. Speaking at the University of Georgia, Bowsher said unless the federal government gets its spending habits in check ''in the next few years,'' it will take a national sales tax to cover the federal deficit.

Violence over a disputed holy site in north India left at least 32 people dead today. The victims include 16 Hindus shot by police when about 10-thousand people tried to storm barricades and begin construction of a temple about 345 miles southeast of New Delhi. More than 130 people have died in violence in India since Tuesday.

A Southfield, Michigan, man paid 714-dollars at an auction yesterday for a scarf owned by singer Madonna. After buying the blue scarf, Moses Findley said he will put it back on the auction block to raise money for the homeless. And he hopes Madonna, a Michigan native, will be among the bidders. .

Madonna wore the scarf and a blue sequined dress in her ''True Blue'' video and the ''Who's That Girl?'' movie. Both garments were stolen two years ago from an M-T-V display at a mall in the Detroit suburb of Novi . A 19-year-old Dearborn woman was put on probation for the theft. Police say M-T-V took the dress back, but showed NO interest in the scarf, which was put up for auction.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 2) UPI - Since the start of the Middle East crisis, calls to a national mental health hotline have increased between 30 and 40 percent as American workers increasingly exhibit stress brought on by outside events.

''Most callers aren't aware that personal anxiety is increased by world tension,'' said Ronald W. Moreland, president of Managed Health Network, which provides a 24-hour emotional help ''Warm Line'' to more than 2.5 million American workers and their families.

''Calls following the evening news have escalated to where we've added additional staff at that time of day,'' he said.

Moreland, whose firm provides toll-free telephone counseling services serving

both white and blue-collar workers employed by some 370 employers nationwide, said there has been a significant increase in the number of calls for help from people from the Middle East, now living in the United States.

''Significantly, there has been over the past month more calls dealing with attempted suicide,'' he said.

Moreland said callers requesting a counselor who can speak Farsi, the language of Iran, are up nearly 30 percent over the past six weeks.

The company official said that many Middle East natives report increasing stress in their relationships with Americans, believing that they are being blamed for the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

''It's somewhat misleading to that it's all the Middle East (causing stress) '' Moreland said. ''It is the Middle East, budgetary concerns. Probably higher gas prices.

''There clearly is a signficant upswing (in calls) after the evening news,'' he said.

''There are a lot of calls from spouses for those overseas. Their husbands have been called up (by the military). They are concerned about the wages they no longer receive and there are problems with bills, loans and mortgages.''

Moreland said financial problems are exacerbated because ''most people tend to live over their heads - on plastic.''

Moreland, whose firm provides the mental health counseling for such firms as American Express, Pepsico, Hunt-Wesson, GTE, the Disney Co., and Rockwell, as well as cities, school districts and other employers, said many spouses are feeling stress because they are left to cope with rearing the children while their mates are in the Middle East.

''We try to get them into a dialogue about specific problems and refer them to specialists in such areas as alcohol and chemical dependency,'' he said. ''Some who are left alone for the first time have trouble even balancing a checkbook.''

Subscriber-callers to the Managed Health Network hotline maintain their anonymity, Moreland said, but callers are asked to identify their employer.

''We do provide quarterly reports to clients (employers) and break down all these things (problems), he said.

''If there is a serious chemical abuse problem or an indication of widespread depression or stress, we try to help employers get to the root causes of these problems and we may train company supervisors to respond to the workers'

problems.

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DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA (NOV. 2) UPI - Young Tanzanian Moslem men have been trying to register with the Iraqi embasssy to join and fight on the side of Iraqi troops in the gulf crisis, the official Tanzanian news agency said Friday.

''(They) came to express their solidarity with the people of Iraq'' on the gulf crisis, Iraqi Ambassador Fauz ali al-Bender said. ''We believe their expressions are coming from their hearts,'' he added.

The ambassador denied, however, that Iraq was actively recruiting Tanzanians into its military service.

''There is nothing like that. Those are absolute lies,'' he said.

Asnour Abbas, Tanzanian principal secretary in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs warned the Iraqi ambassador Friday that the recruitment of Tanzanians was illegal and the practice should stop immediately.

Some youths told journalists they had gone to the embassy when they heard there were employment opportunities in Iraq.

''We have no employment here and we feel we should accept to take any job that is available,'' one young man said.

On Wednesday the Shihata news agency reported a large number of youths had been registering at the embassy to join the Iraqi army.

Registration apparently started several weeks ago, the agency said, and was mainly open to men aged between 20 and 30. Most of those who came were from the island of Zanzibar.

''What I know is that I am going to join the Iraqi army,'' the agency quoted one youth as saying.

In Zanzibar, 97 percent of the population is Moslem, whereas only 60 percent of the mainland population is Moslem.

Applicants had to read and swear by provided passages of the Koran - the sacred book of Moslems - which read: ''You are aware that Saudia is a holy land and the troops there have no right to be there as they are mixed with non-Moslems. Our Lord said you should fight to protect your religion and make jihad (holy war) in my faith and prophets,'' Shihata said.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Ampco-Pittsburgh (3rd Q 9-30)	
$50,369,000	$50,815,000
$1,095,000 (.12)	$2,669,000 (.28)
Arnold Indus (3rd Q)	
$39,926,000	$35,937,000
$5,116,000 (.78)	$4,548,000 (.70)
Avondale Industries (3rd Q 9-30)	
$168,424,000	$196,053,000
d-$19,945,000	$217,000 (.01)

d-Deficit, after a pre-tax charge of $31,500,000 relating to increases in the estimated costs to complete two shipbuilding contracts with the U.S. Navy and a net ESOP contribution of $6,200,000.

Canadian Tire (3rd Q 9-29)	
$730,086,000	$750,865,000
$40,645,000 (.45)	$40,603,000 (.44)

Canadian rate

Cascades Inc (3rd Q)	
$209,921,000	$171,725,000
$4,415,000 (.09)	$4,731,000 (.10)

Amounts in Canadian dollars.

CCL Indus (3rd Q)	
$110,300,000	a-$96,100,000
b-$1,100,000 (.04)	d-$700,000

a-Restated.
b-Income from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

CIGNA Corp (3rd Q 9-30)	
$4,694,000,000	$4,000,000,000
a-$11,000,000 (.15)	$146,000,000 (1.81)

a-After several after-tax charges aggregating $98,000,000 related to consolidation of field office, withdrawal from the Massachusetts personal auto insurance business and integration of Equicor.

Citadel Holdings (3rd Q)

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$4,860,000 (1.48) d-$2,250,000
d-Deficit.

CNA Financial (3rd Q)
$103,800,000 $134,400,000
 $16,000,000 (1.64) $23,900,000 (2.13)

Data General (4th Q 9-29)
 $308,500,000 $357,100,000
d-$89,300,000 d-$84,100,000
d-Deficit.

Domtar Inc (3rd Q)
 $574,000,000 $640,000,000
d-$21,000,000 $8,000,000 (.06)
d-Deficit, loss from comtinuing operations.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.
Corrected fromn yesterday's earnings report.

First American Corp (3rd Q)
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d-$8,590,000 $3,065,000 (.13)
d-Deficit, includes a pre-tax gain of $4,000,000 from the sale of First American Bank of Ashland, Ky.

Gaylord Container (4th Q 9-30)
$201,600,000 a-$191,800,000
d-$5,800,000 $10,100,000 (.63)
a-Reclassified to conform to current year presentation.
d-Deficit.

Geraghty & Miller (3rd Q)
$28,291,000 $23,807,000
   $909,000 (.16) $1,044,000 (.18)

Halliburton Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,791,000,000 $1,468,000,000
   $55,400,000 (.52) $42,400,000 (.40)

Houston Industries (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,279,198,000 $1,142,107,000
  $209,205,000 (1.64) a-$141,221,000 (1.12)
a-After a net charge of $25,000,000 representing costs associated with nuclear plant.

IE Industries (3rd Q 9-30)
 $130,078,000 $117,966,000

a-$51,368,000 (3.51) $17,446,000 (1.21)
a-Includes a pre-tax gain of $66,000,000 resulting from the sale to MCI Communications Corp. of the company's holdings in Telecom USA.

Jan Bell Marketing (3rd Q)
$36,015,000 $35,301,000
 $1,081,000 (.05) $2,885,000 (.15)

Loews Corp (3rd Q)
$3,285,538,000 $2,795,067,000
  $271,234,000 (3.69) $182,562,000 (2.43)

London Insurance Grp (3rd Q 9-30)
$818,000,000 $851,000,000
 $33,200,000 (.72) $27,400,000 (.66)
Canadian rate

Molson Cos (2nd Q 9-30)
$676,589,000 $671,632,000
 $38,707,000 (1.08) $34,099,000 (1.04)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Nash Finch Co (3rd Q 10-6)
$755,397,851 $701,973,801
  $6,887,742 (.63) $5,940,297 (.55)

Natl Fuel Gas (4th Q 9-30)
$109,917,000 $119,979,000
d-$7,851,000 d-$4,904,000
d-Deficit.

Power Financial (3rd Q)
 $41,879,000 $51,398,000
d-$1,907,000 d-$2,084,000
d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Robert Half (3rd Q)
 $60,127,000 $58,585,000
a-$2,246,000 (.20) $3,123,000 (.27)
a-Includes a pre-tax gain of $276,000 from the repurchase of debentures.

Stanley Interiors (3rd Q)
$44,700,000 $39,809,000
 d-$355,000 d-$623,000
d-Deficit.

Trimas Ltd (3rd Q)

$118,294,000 $91,781,000
$4,784,000 (.14) $4,151,000 (.12)

Zeos Intl (3rd Q)
$34,061,000 $10,157,000
$883,000 (.29) $597,000 (.21)

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 81.00-87.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 119.63-123.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 41.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $210.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $435.00-$459.00; dealer- approx., $436.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 297.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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ANKARA, TURKEY (NOV. 2) UPI - Turkey watched with interest as ethnic Turks in the Soviet Union made moves to win autonomy or outright independence, but Ankara continued the cautious policy it adopted early this year, officials said Friday.

The Turkish press gave prominence this week to reports from the Soviet Republic of Moldavia, bordering on Romania, that Gagauz Turks were seeking autonomy from the majority Moldavian community, but officially Turkey has avoided taking sides in the dispute.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman said the conflict between the Gagauz Turks and the Moldavian majority was an internal issue of the Soviet Union, but ''Ankara is very much interested in the matter and urges restraint'' on both sides.

Murat Sangur said Turkey hoped the Soviet Union would abide by rules set by the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Ankara's official stance on the secessionist move among the Gagauz Turks, an ethnic minority of about 150,000 people in a total population of some 4.3 million, bears resemblance to the policy it adopted when some Azerbaijani Turks sought to secede in January.

The Gagauz Turks in Moldavia, however, are descendents of Turks who converted to Christianity and fled to what is now the Moldavian Republic about 160 years ago.

The Turkish media has shown less interest in the Gagauz Turks than it did in the Azerbaijanis, who are staunch Moslems and are in the majority in the Soviet Republic of Azerbaijan.

The conflict between Azerbaijanis and Soviet Armenians, who are Christians and traditional enemies of the Turks, also aroused more interest in Turkey.

In Moldavia, a state of emergency was declared and Soviet troops were called in to restore order as Gagauz Turks sought to set up an autonomous republic on a strip of terriotory.

Analysts said the government in Ankara appeared to be concerned that the Gagauz Turkish issue could develop into a refugee problem for Turkey. ''We've had enough of refugees for the time being,'' one political analyst said.

Thousands of ethnic Turks from Bulgaria fled to Turkey last year when the Sofia government tried to enforce a policy of integration between them and the majority Slavic community by suppressing the Turkish language and forcing ethnic Turks to adopt Slavic names.

The crisis subsided when the government reversed the policy as it moved toward democratic reforms, and the majority of Bulgarian Turkish refugees have since returned home.

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PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (NOV. 2) UPI - President Bush will make a brief visit to Czechoslovakia on Nov. 17 before going to Paris for the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, the official news agency CTK said Friday.

The one-day visit to Czechoslovakia, the first by a U.S. president, will coincide with the anniversary of last year's democratic revolution that swept communists from power, the news agency said.

CTK said the invitation to visit Czechoslovakia was extended by President Vaclav Havel, who only a year ago was a dissident playwright and former political prisoner.

Bush was scheduled to leave Washington on Nov. 15 and meet with Chancellor Helmut Kohl in Germany on his first stop of a European swing. The journey, expected to last about 10 days, also will take Bush to Saudi Arabia, where he will spend Thanksgiving Day with the thousands of troops sent to the Persian Gulf region to deter further Iraqi aggression.

The main purpose of the visit is the Nov. 19-21 summit of the CSCE, which is expected to be highlighted by the signing of a conventional arms agreement by Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 2) UPI - Zimbabwe has released a South African woman serving a 12-year prison sentence for spying on the African National Congress.

The release marked a significant thawing of relations between Zimbabwean President Robert Mugabe and the South African government.

Odile Harington, 29, released Thursday after serving nearly three years of her sentence, was put aboard a special flight back to South Africa and received a welcome from President Frederik de Klerk in Pretoria Friday, a government statement said.

''The government is grateful that Miss Harington has been released and expresses its appreciation to the government of Zimbabwe,'' the statement said. ''The state president will send a personal message in this regard to

President Mugabe today.''

The Zimbabwean news agency, Ziana, confirmed Friday that Harington was pardoned by Mugabe, who has ruled Zimbabwe since its independence in 1980 and remained a most consistent foe of apartheid among the southern African leaders.

''The president's decision was prompted by the general improvement in the political climate in southern Africa, including the cessation of hostile acts against Zimbabwe by the South African government,'' Zimbabwean Minister Emmerson Mnangagwa told Ziana.

Zimbabwe, formerly Rhodesia, had been the target of South African destabilization efforts since the end of white minority rule in 1980, including scattered sabotage attacks by South African agents. At the center of the southern African region, Zimbabwe not only sheltered ANC exiles but allowed its territory to be used as a base for guerrilla attacks into neighboring South Africa.

While leaders of less prosperous southern African states, including Zambia and Mozambique, have welcomed moves by South Africa to patch up relations with its black-ruled neighbors and expand economic ties, Mugabe has remained publicly cool toward de Klerk.

The thaw began publicly last month when a parliamentary delegation visited Harare and held talks with Zimbabwean legislators and the South African government halted broadcasts of the anti-Marxist Radio Truth into Zimbabwe.

South African officals regard Mugabe as key to any regional economic cooperation to reverse years of hostility caused by Pretoria's efforts to destabilize its neighbors partly as punishment for their support of the ANC.

The Johannesburg Star reported Friday relations could further improve by a possible decision by Zimbabwe to lift a ban on contact at ministerial level.

Harington, who had posed as a left-wing activist, was jailed in Zimbabwe on charges of passing on intelligence about the ANC to Pretoria and sentenced to 25 years imprisonment, the maximum for the offense under Zimbabwean law.

The sentence was reduced on appeal to 12 after Zimbabwe's Chief Judge Wilson Sandura took into account Harington's protests of sexual assaults and torture while being detained for 10 months before her trial.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - International Business Machines Corp. and American Telephone & Telegraph Co. topped the list of the companies most computer and engineering students would prefer to join if given a chance, a survey said

Friday .

Hewlett-Packard Co., of Palo Alto, Calif., was third, followed by Digital Equipment Corp., of Maynard, Mass., and Apple Computer Inc., of Cupertino, Calif., according to a poll conducted by Computerworld magazine in its current Special Campus Edition.

The Northeast, with four companies, is the No. 1 region for students looking for good jobs, followed by California, with three. "Traits the students look for among potential employers include opportunities for further education and training, a global corporate outlook and meaningful responsibilites," the magazine said.

"For students looking for a rewarding job with clout, a solid background in business and technology is quickly becoming a ticket to a fast ride up the corporate ladder," Computerworld said.

Although many students feel high-technology is a great sector to get a quick promotion, minorities are often shut out of the senior management of a profession "that is overmingly white," Computerworld said.

"Computer professionals, academics and recruiters say minority men and women rarely attain the highest ranks of information systems management," it said.

Although minorities are making headways in other sectors, their chances of landing a senior position in a high-technology company have not improved over the past decade.

"In 1988, 92 percent of information systems managers were white and eight percent were minorities - the same percentage split found in 1980 and 1985," Computerworld said, quoting figures compiled by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Also among the top ten companies students favored most as potential employers are General Electric Co., based in Bridgeport, Conn., Motorola Inc., of Schaumburg, Ill., Arthur Andersen & Co., of St. Charles, Ill., Microsoft Corp. of Redmond, Wash., and Intel Corp., of Santa Clara, Calif.

The Special Campus Edition is distributed to more than 135,000 students nationwide and Computerworld reaches over 600,000 key executives. It is the flagship publication of International Data Group, with 145 high-technology titles in different languages sold in 44 countries.

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NAIROBI, KENYA (NOV. 2) UPI - Five lawyers Friday claimed in court that a leading political dissident, Koigo wa Wamwere, had been tortured and subjected to inhuman and degrading treatment.

Lawyers John Khaminwa, Japheth Shamalla, Kauma Mussilla, Martha Njoka and Beatrice Nduta told a magistrate's court that security personnel had also tortured two other accused dissidents charged alongside Wamwere with plotting to overthrow the government.

Shamalla, once a permanent secretary in Kenya's Foreign Office, said security agents last Monday moved Wamwere from Kamiti Maximum Security prison to the notorious Naivasha maximum security jail, about 55 miles northwest of Nairobi.

He also said the prison authorities had denied defense lawyers access to their clients.

The court responded that Shamalla and a private doctor would be allowed to visit Wamwere in jail next Tuesday and said he had not been specifically remanded to Kamiti, a Nairobi suburb.

Prosecutor Alex Etyang said any complaints relating to alleged torture or the denial of access would have to be referred to the High Court, which is to take over the case.

Wamwere, lawyers Rumba Kinuthia and Mirugi Kariuki, and Kuga Kariuki, on Oct. 19 were charged with treason, a crime punishable by death in Kenya.

Wamwere had been in political exile in Norway until last month when he appeared in Kenya and was arrested, allegedly in possession of a cache of weapons and ammunition which, according to the government, he was planning to use to overthrow President Daniel arap Moi.

The case, which led to a row between the Kenya and Norway and the expulsion of the Norwegian ambassador and his staff from Kenya, was adjourned until Nov. 15.

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#90306u0892 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA (NOV. 2) UPI - South African black leader Nelson Mandela Friday accused right-wing elements in Pretoria's security forces of unleashing a campaign of violence to halt negotiations to dismantle apartheid.

The 72-year-old deputy president of the African National Congress said that ''silent vigilantes'' had been trained by radical white extremists to hack, shoot, ambush and kill innocent men, women and children in the hope that the violence would stop negotiations towards black majority rule.

Mandela, addressing about 7,000 people at an indoor stadium in Malaysia, said, ''The black people in our country are not being killed by other blacks. The security forces of the government have trained certain black men in order to carry out the work of killing innocent people.''

At the same rally, Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad said Malaysia will continue to play an active role against apartheid in every forum, including the British Commonwealth and the United Nations.

Malaysia would continue to act and urge others to apply as much pressure as possible against the government of South Africa to dismantle apartheid, he added.

''Although some might think that what has been done was enough and it is time to cease sanctions against South Africa, we ourselves are not yet convinced,'' Mahathir said.

''But we do not think that is enough and we feel sanctions against the apartheid regime must go until all those people are liberated.''

The prime minister said Malaysia was looking forward to the day when a free South Africa would rejoin the Commonwealth as its 51st member.

''We will certainly be even willing to propose that South Africa become a member of the Commonwealth, and together we can make the Commonwealth more meaningful,'' he added.

Mahathir described Mandela as a nationalist who had come out of his 27-year imprisonment ''neither broken nor beaten.''.

Mandela arrived Thursday from Japan with a 14-member entourage for a four-day visit. He leaves for Brunei Sunday, continuing an extended trip through Asia.

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LONDON (NOV. 2) UPI - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher Friday named Education Minister John MacGregor successor to Geoffrey Howe as her ruling Conservative Party's floor leader in the lower house of Parliament.

Party leaders, meanwhile, worked to patch the damage from Howe's resignation Thursday.

Howe, who served as Conservative Party leader in Parliament and deputy prime minister to Thatcher, rocked the government by quitting in objection to her position against eventual total union with Europe.

MacGregor would fill Howe's place as party leader in Parliament, while Health Minister Kenneth Clarke took over the reins as education minister, a Downing Street spokesman said.

William Waldegrave, currently junior minister at the Foreign Office, will take over the job as health secretary, said the spokesman.

Thatcher named the replacements from her country retreat, Chequers, where she traveled Friday in order to duck the controversy surrounding Howe's resignation. She did not name a new deputy prime minister because she was not obliged to, the position being a created one.

Howe, who had been the last surviving member of Thatcher's first Cabinet formed when she took power in 1979, was a former chancellor of the exchequer and foreign secretary and a highly respected member of the ruling Tory elite.

Howe tried to minimize the potential for political damage, timing his Thursday evening resignation to coincide with the closing of the current session of Parliament. He refused to speak with reporters who clustered outside his residence, claiming he had lost his voice.

Howe quit because of differences with Thatcher over policy on European unity. The prime minister is reticent to fully embrace unity because she believes it will involve yielding too much British sovereign power. Howe, on the other hand, has said Britain must be at the center of an eventual European partnership.

Britain's political opposition gloated over the open divisions of the ruling party in the wake of the resignation.

''There is no unity between the two sides, and any attempt at unity is now clearly cosmetic,'' Labor leader Neil Kinnock said.

Peter Temple Morris, chairman of the Conservative Party's Foreign Affairs Committee and an avowed pro-European member, clearly stated some party members want change.

He objected to ''the awful amount, almost agonizing amount of talent that is going into pretending nothing is wrong,'' and suggested that ''it is perhaps slightly up to her (Thatcher) to make some adjustment to what many of us want.''

But senior Conservative Party members downplayed the impact, and stressed continuity.

''Resignations always cause damage, not the least because Sir Geoffrey was a very senior figure held in very great affection by the Conservative Party,'' Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major said. ''We will miss him, but it will not change policy. Policy is clear, and Geoffrey actually endorsed the policy in his own comments.''

Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd also tried to quash ideas of any deep divisions within the Cabinet over Thatcher's lonely policy on European unity.

''It is not a question of disagreeing about policy, because (Howe) is very strongly in favor of her policy that he helped to make, the policy of making a success of our membership in the community,'' Hurd said.

But Howe's departure spawned suggestions that Thatcher may be confronted by a leadership challenge before elections that must be held by mid-1991, and at the very least, will have to relax her stance on Europe.

His resignation letter said that in Europe, Britain should be ''playing the sort of leading and constructive role that commands respect, and that Thatcher's recent strident statements against European unity made it harder for London "to hold and maintain a position of influence in this vital debate."

Thatcher said she accepted the resignation ''more in sorrow than in anger,'' and that their differences over Europe were not ''nearly as great as you suggest.''

Thatcher's objections to handing too much power to the 12-nation European Community's headquarters in Brussels climaxed in Rome last weekend, when she alone refused to sign a communique in which the other 11 members pledged to create a common European currency by the end of the century.

In a speech Tuesday in the House of Commons, the prime minister reiterated the pound sterling, Britain's currency, will not be eliminated by the government.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Nine of the government's 11 key economic indicators pointed down in September as the barometer of future economic activity dropped eight-tenths of one percent. But this is less than a revised decline of one-point-two percent for August. Analysts often feel that three or more consecutive months of downturn indicate the danger of a recession. But the economy has hit that pattern several times in recent years and lived to tell the tale.

The Labor Department released its October job figures this morning, and unemployment was the same as in September, five-point-seven percent of the

work force. The lack of change came despite the fact that total civilian employment was down by some 100-thousand jobs, to 117-point- seven-Million. Some of this came on the loss of 80-thousand jobs in the construction industry hard hit by lower construction of everything from office towers to homes.

Two men in a security car following a New York Daily News delivery truck were attacked early today while traveling through Queens. The two, who gave police addresses from North Carolina, were taken to Jamaica Hospital suffering from face and head injuries. They were attacked as a bitter labor dispute against the Daily News moves into a second week. An estimated 13-thousand people turned out last night at the Daily News building on 42nd Street in a massive show of support for the strikers.

The U-S commanding general in Operation Desert Shield says there are altenatives to destroying Iraq in the drive for peace and stability in the Persian Gulf region. General Norman Schwarzkopf says in an interview published today that he wants everything possible done to avoid a war in the Gulf. But he says that if one does, he will be ''ferocious'' and do what it takes to end it quickly.

President Bush promised in Cincinnati this morning to do his ''level best'' to bring every American soldier home from the Persian Gulf- quoting now- ''without a shot being fired in anger.'' But Bush also told cheering Republicans at a fund-raiser that the United States will NOT stop short of the stated objective of making Iraq withdraw from Kuwait. Bush says the nation is standing for a principle in the Gulf region and- quote- ''that principle must prevail.''

Michigan authorities intensified their search in the Saginaw area today for a drugstore clerk who killed two of his co-workers with a claw hammer. A state-wide alert was issued for 28-year-old Steven Edward King, who is thought to have fled the area and possibly the state. King allegedly beat 17- and 24-year-old co-workers with the hammer in a storeroom. A pharmacist in the store at the time managed to escape with only minor injuries.

Former Representative Pat Swindall says he can now prove that he was framed in a money-laundering scheme. Swindall is asking a federal judge in Atlanta for a court hearing, saying government prosecutors withheld evidence in the case. The Republican is free pending appeal of his 1989 convictions on nine counts of perjury for lying to a grand jury.

A Los Angeles report says Marlon Brando's 20-year-old daughter is hospitalized in a coma in a hospital in Tahiti. The report quotes sources close to the family as saying the woman overdosed on tranquilizers and anti-depressant drugs. Cheyenne Brando has been the object of a legal tug-of-war between Tahiti and California, where authorities named her a key witness in the murder case against her half- brother, Christian. Cheyenne Brando's lover was shot to death in Marlon Brando's California home in May. Cheyenne Brando has refused

to return to California to testify in the case.

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(NOV. 2) UPI -

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
CPI Corp	Q	.14	12-3	11-19
Usual				
Avemco Corp	Q	.11	1-23	12-28
Beckman Instrumnts	Q	.07	12-7	11-16
Cadmus Communctns	Q	.05	12-5	11-20
Culbro Corp	Q	.20	1-2	12-21
Dover Corp	Q	.20	12-29	12-10
Graham Corp	Q	.07	1-2	12-3
Integra Fincl Corp	Q	.30	12-1	11-15
Kimberly-Clark	Q	.68	1-3	12-7
MDU Resources	Q	.35 1/2	1-1	12-13
Northwest Teleprod	Q	.09	1-3	11-30
Omnicare Inc	Q	.02 1/2	12-7	11-23
Oryx Energy Co	Q	.30	12-10	11-16
Owens & Minor Inc	Q	.06 1/2	12-31	12-14
Regal-Beloit Corp	Q	.13	1-15	12-31
Research Inc	Q	.11	1-2	11-30
Trenwick Group	Q	.12	1-11	12-21

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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#90306u0934 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
AUSTIN, Texas (NOV. 2) UPI - A Travis County jury has found that three-wheeled all-terrain vehicles sold by Honda were not designed defectively, and that Honda was not guilty of deceptive trade practices in their sale.

Capping one of the longest trials in Travis County history, the jury also found Thursday that Honda Motor Co. Ltd. did not engage in a conspiracy to conceal the danger of its ATVs and did not misrepresent its capabilities.

The jury did find there was a defect in the way Honda marketed the ATVs, saying their should have been additional warnings to consumers about potential dangers, and awarded the plaintiffs $800,000.

But that was far short of the $800 million that had been sought by Tammie Sue Mullins, 31, of Austin, and her son, Jeffrey, 9, in their product liability suit against Honda.

Mullins suffered permanent injuries, including brain damage and a loss of mobility on the left side of her body, in an ATV accident in 1984. According to the suit, Mullins was riding up a mound of sand when the ATV flipped backward and the headlight struck her in the face.

Corpus Christi attorney David Perry, who represented Mullins, argued that Honda's ATVs were defective because they are unstable, have a center of gravity that is too high, do not steer well and are not designed as off-road vehicles even though they are advertised for off- road use.

But the jury ruled unanimously that Mullins was negligent for not wearing a helmet as recommended by the Honda's owners manual and a sticker attached to the vehicle's gas tank.

Defense attorney Richard McCarrol said the five-month trial was worthwhile for Tokyo-based Honda ''because we feel we were vindicated. It wasn't worth it for the plaintiff.''

Perry told jurors after the verdict that his expenses totaled about $750,000, which would leave Mullins with little of the $800,000 verdict. McCarrol said Honda offered Mullins a settlement before the trial that was ''substantially more than what she's going to get.''

Critics have claimed that three-wheeled ATVs roll over too easily and are prone to flipping backward onto the driver on steep hills. About 1, 400 people have died in accidents involving ATVs since 1982.

Honda and other manufacturers of three-wheeled vehicles agreed in 1988 to stop selling the vehicles, but there was no finding by federal authorities that they were defective. Four-wheeled ATVs continue to be sold.

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#90306u0962 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

ST. REGIS INDIAN RESERVATION (NOV. 2) UPI - Quebec police said Friday they didn't know if a rampage by youths on the Canadian side of the violence-plagued reserve was sparked by the acquittal of a Mohawk newspaper editor on a murder charge.

Quebec police spokesman Pierre Rochefort said a group of youths have been causing problems on the Quebec portion of the Canada-U. S. border- straddling reserve in the vicinity of the town of St. Regis for about the last three weeks.

Rochefort said about 40 youths, age 8 to 18, began throwing rocks at police and vandalizing property for about two hours early Thursday evening.

At one point, a marine flaregun was fired at police, but no one was hurt and

there were no injuries reported, Rochefort said. More than 70 police were involved in the disturbance, he said.

A police car was destroyed and two police minibuses were damaged in the rampage, Rochefort said.

On Thursday, crusading Mohawk newspaper editor Doug George was cleared of charges he had killed another Indian during a gun battle over allowing casinos on reservations.

A Quebec judge ruled at a preliminary hearing Thursday there was not enough evidence to order George to stand trial.

George, 35, editor of Akwesasne Notes and Indian Time, had been charged with the second-degree murder of J.R. Edwards, who was considered an innocent bystander during an overnight gun battle on the Snye, Quebec portion of the St. Regis Indian Reservation on May 1.

Quebec Provincial Police on May 14 charged George with second degree murder, but Judge Pierre Laberge in Valleyfield, Quebec, ruled there was not enough evidence to put the outspoken anti-gambling spokesman on trial.

According to Canadian law, second-degree murder indicates a lack of intent to kill but that the person handling the weapon should have foreseen the consequences.

Last week, gunfire raked the home of Ken Lazore, a key prosecution witness against George.

Chief Lloyd Benedict, one of 13 elected chiefs on the Canadian side of the border straddling reserve, said the community was relieved over George's acquittal.

''It was a tragedy in itself that Doug was arrested without grounds,'' Benedict said. ''The police did a very one-side investigation - it was politically motivated.''

The violence-plagued reservation had been subjected to nightly arson, vandalism and shootings over gambling casinos since the summer of 1989, when an FBI raid touched off a stand-off between pro- and anti-gambling factions.

The violence came to a head with the killing of two Mohawks May 1, prompting a heavy and continuing police presence that immediately halted the violence.

Matthew Pyke, 22, was also shot and killed while attempting to evacuate seven, including George, from the home of his brother David George that day. No one was ever charged in that killing.

George had always maintained his innocence and had threatened to sue Canadian authorities for ''millions of dollars'' for false arrest.

George - while allowing himself to be photographed in camouflage, holding a rifle during a gun battle - had steadfastly maintained Canadian police did not have the ballistic evidence to tie him to the killing of Edwards.

Ironically, the acquittal comes exactly six months to the day of that shooting.

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#90306u0973 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
BUTTER AND EGGS
CHICAGO (NOV. 2) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Friday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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#90306u0975 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (NOV. 2) UPI - The spread of pornographic films in rapidly proliferating video halls is corrupting young people and creating a nation of ''murderers, rapists, sexual maniacs and robbers,'' the Pravda newspaper said Friday.

In a sarcasm-laced tirade, the Communist Party's official newspaper said the Soviet government has not clamped down on the video halls because it collects high taxes from the semi-private cooperatives that run most of them.

Pravda also berated the Young Communist League - which the newspaper said has become a ''godfather of the video saloons 'mafia''' and opened its own erotic film halls in pursuit of profit.

''Comrade, deputies, it is time to turn the traitors out of the temple,'' Pravda said. ''The future of our children, our people, our perestroika (reforms) is at stake.''

The article ran under the headline ''Little girl, put your clothes on,'' an acerbic reference to one of the currently popular porn films it mentioned, called ''Little Girl, Take Your Clothes Off.''

The titillating article may have part of the fall subscription drive by Pravda whose plummeting number of subscribers has paralleled the sinking authority

of the party.

''The video net is like a giant octopus,'' Pravda said. ''One cannot hide from it anywhere ... This octopus is producing murderers, rapists, sexual maniacs and robbers while the Interior Ministry and the Education Ministry are silent.''

Budding entrepreneurs across the country have taken advantage of new political and economic freedoms by converting apartments into no-frills entertainment centers where viewers pay 1 or 2 rubles to watch bootlegged videocassette films.

The movies are often shown on small TV sets in rooms holding no more than 20 people squeezed into tight rows of hard wooden chairs.

The more daring video halls feature grainy erotic films that, though tame by Western standards, are quite risque compared with movies shown at state-run cinemas still guided by the Communist Party's priggish aesthetics.

In the subway tunnels beneath Moscow and other big cities, hawkers set up folding tables from which they sell tiny calendars with pictures of bare-breasted women.

''Before, girls used to play at being nurses,'' Pravda said. ''Now they play at being prostitutes. Future mothers, instead of playing 'mother-daughter' with their dolls, now dream of a career as a hard- currency prostitute.''

The newspaper approvingly cited a passage by Dmitri Likhachev, 84, a prominent literary critic and Soviet lawmaker, who wrote, ''When love is substituted for sex, sex without clothes, we cannot speak of eros.''

In its own commentary, Pravda said: ''It is a cruel joke that erotica is good for the sexual education of teenagers. Erotic films are not educational or scientific. Their sphere is emotional, and their effect is perverting.''

The newspaper called on the Soviet parliament to pass a ''law on morals'' restricting the operation of video halls.

''Pluralism has its limits - if not by state laws, then by laws of decency,'' Pravda said. ''The perestroika slogan 'everything is allowed that is not prohibited' is wrong.''

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#90306u0979 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA

Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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#90306u0981 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) UPI - Recent economic reports indicate the weakness that has drained the United States of much of its financial strength has spread and lessened the economy's resistance to recession, analysts said Friday.

Several economists reached that conclusion after the government said the nation's employment market deteriorated last month despite no change in the October jobless rate of 5.7 percent.

The Commerce Department, meanwhile, reported that its Index of Leading Economic Indicators, declined 0.8 percent in September in yet another warning sign of tough times ahead.

''We've lost our footing, that's for sure,'' said Robert Dederick, chief economist at the Northern Trust Co. in Chicago.

Lawrence Hunter, deputy chief economist for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, came more to the point: ''The recession has begun.''

Whether or not that assessment is correct, economists agree that the economy's defenses against recession have slipped significantly in recent months.

Jobs are being lost in a wide variety of industries as companies react to slowdowns in consumer spending and fears that the economy could further deteriorate.

The Labor Department said total civilian employment slipped to 117.7 million in October from 117.8 million the month before. Nonfarm payroll employment was down 68,000 last month.

The government said employment has dropped by 700,000 since mid-year after gaining 500,000 jobs during the first half of the year.

Janet Norwood, commission of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, told the Joint Economic Committee the October employment report offers more evidence of deterioration in the job market.

''For the third month in a row, more industries lost jobs than gained them,''

she said. ''In addition, cutbacks occurred both in the overall average workweek and in the factory workweek.''

The civilian labor force, which stands at 124.8 million, has shown no growth since the spring, despite increases in the working-age population. Norwood said the bureau's survey of employers continues to point to a worsening employment picture.

''All indications are that the employment report will get worse before it gets better as more companies, large and small, lay off workers and close production facilities,'' said the chamber's Hunter.

''It's a clear indication we're in recession,'' added Cynthia Latta, an economist at DRI/McGraw Hill, in Lexington, Mass. ''If the number of jobs out there is shrinking, I don't know how you can call it anything else.''

The slowdown also was reflected in the Index of Leading Economic Indicators, a barometer of future economic activity. The index declined in September after falling a revised 1.2 percent in August. The index was unchanged in July.

An economic rule of thumb says three or more consecutive negative quarters in the index indicates the danger of an impending recession, although the United States has seen the index fall into that pattern in recent years and has not faced recession.

''The probability of a recession based on the index has gone to over 90 percent,'' said Micheal Niemira, an economist at Mitsubishi Bank in New York. ''It seems to be a forecast of recession. The real problem is you can't find anything out there that really looks positive.''

Nine of the 11 indicators that make up the index contributed to the decline, while one indicator - contracts and orders for plant and equipment - made a positive contribution, the Commerce Department said.

The negatives included stock prices, manufacturers' new orders for consumer goods and materials, average weekly initial jobless claims, building permits, consumer expectations, change in manufacturers' unfilled orders, money supply, vendor performance and sensitive materials prices.

Kermit Baker, an economist at Cahners Economics in Newton, Mass., said there appears to be little economic relief in sight. ''The worst time for the economy is certainly going to be over the next four to five months,'' he said.

Economists also were mixed about how the Federal Reserve will read the recent economic reports. The Fed's monetary policy-setting committee is scheduled to meet Nov. 13 and is sure to consider whether or not to ease interest rates.

The employment report, seen as a signal to the Fed, may not have been weak

enough to convince the Fed to push rates down, economists said.

''All in all, today's report hides the degree of spreading weakness in the economy. As a result it minimizes the political pressure for the Fed to ease right away,'' said Robert McGee, chief economist at the Tokai Bank Ltd. in New York.

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#90306u0989 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

BOGOTA, COLOMBIA (NOV. 2) UPI - The feared Medellin cocaine cartel demanded Friday an amnesty and an end to extradition of suspects to other countries in return for freeing seven journalists it is holding hostage.

The proposal was the latest round of public maneuvering in the wake of the kidnappings aimed at forcing the government to negotiate a political settlement with the warring cartel.

A lawyer for the cartel, Guido Parra, made public a letter in which he laid down its outline for talks with a group of well-known Colombians trying to negotiate the freedom of the journalists.

The Extraditables, a hit squad and kidnapping gang that does the bidding of the cartel, admitted this week it was holding the journalists. In a statement, the gang threatened to kill the hostages if police did not cease operations against the group.

Those being held include the daughter of a former president and the son of the publisher of El Tiempo, Colombia's largest newspaper. President Cesar Gaviria has repeatedly rejected negotiations with cocaine traffickers.

Parra, in explaining his letter, said it asked for ''moving toward definitive cancellation of extraditions to those countries with which there is a treaty.''

The Medellin lawyer also told a Bogota radio station the subject of a general amnesty should be included in the themes to be discussed by an elected assembly set to meet next year to reform the constitution.

He proposed an amnesty similar to that extended in 1957 after a period of intense political violence.

The letter also appeared to ask for supervision of a peace process by the United Nations to guarantee the human rights of those who surrendered.

''I think that all of these points ... could move us toward reviving the surrender process,'' Parra said.

Gaviria, while rejecting a political agreement with the cocaine traffickers,

has offered reduced prison sentences and exemption from extradition to those who surrendered and confess their crimes.

The kidnapped journalists include Diana Turbay de Uribe, the owner of a television news program and a magazine and the daughter of former President Cesar Turbay. Also being held is Francisco Santos, news editor of El Tiempo and son of publisher Hernando Santos, along with five other reporters, editors and cameramen, including German correspondent Hero Buss.

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#90306u0996 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (NOV. 2) UPI - Windows rattled in the Salvadoran capital Friday as government troops bombarded suspected rebel positions north of San Salvador.

The bombardment came after a night of sabotage in which rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, burned a factory and bombed a power sub-station and several transmission lines.

An operator at the First Infantry Brigade in San Salvador said the bombardment that began late Friday morning was centered north of Guazapa, a craggy mountain 15 miles north of the capital where the rebels maintain hidden camps.

''Its in Guazapa,'' the operator said. ''We are carrying out an operation there and rebel columns have been detected.''

The Armed Forces Press Committee said that Thursday night rebels fire-bombed a textile factory in the town of Quetzaltepeque, 12 miles north of the capital. Military sources, who asked not to be identified, said the factory was owned by the family of El Salvador's economy minister, Arturo Zablah.

Radio Venceremos, the clandestine voice of the guerrillas, said in its Thursday broadcast that 918 electrical structures were damaged in the first 10 months of 1990 as part of the rebels campaign of economic sabotage.

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#90306u0998 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 2) UPI - Green Bay Packers Coach Lindy Infante has been searching for a weakness in the San Francisco 49ers, and his hunt will likely continue through kickoff Sunday.

The teams meet for the first time since last November, when the Packers beat the 49ers 21-17. San Francisco, 7-0, has since won 15 straight games, including Super Bowl XXIV.

''It's kind of hard to find chinks in a 7-0 armor,'' Infante said. ''If there

is, it's a little nick here and there someplace. You don't have big holes and come out 7-0 or 15-0 or whatever they are since we played them last.''

Infante downplays last year's victory and is hoping for the same the type of performance this season from the Packers, 3-4.

''The only thing we did that nobody else did was we got more points in that particular football game,'' Infante said. ''We went out there and played one of our better games last year. That's what you have to do if you expect to beat the world champs. They're very talented, they're very well put together and they're certainly playing with great confidence.''

Green Bay may catch San Francisco at the right time this season. The 49ers and quarterback Joe Montana have struggled on offense the past two weeks. Montana has thrown for a total of 342 yards, two touchdowns and four interceptions. The ground game has 267 yards in the same period.

''There are some things we have to evaluate,'' 49ers Coach George Seifert said. ''The last two teams have done a good job of defensing some of the things we do, and maybe we have to look at what we're doing to see if we're tipping by formation, or down and distance, or what we do.''

San Francisco should be bolstered by the return of running back Roger Craig and wide receiver John Taylor, both who have been sidelined with injuries.

''They've got all the pieces in place,'' Infante said. ''They've been together for a long time and they go out there and figure out ways to win. If anybody's going to beat them, you've got to go out there and figure out a better way to win than they do.''

In other games Sunday, it's Chicago at Tampa Bay, Washington at Detroit, New Orleans at Cincinnati, Buffalo at Cleveland, Atlanta at Pittsburgh, Dallas at the New York Jets, New England at Philadelphia, Houston at the Los Angeles Rams, Miami at Phoenix, the Los Angeles Raiders at Kansas City, and San Diego at Seattle.

Denver plays at Minnesota in the Sunday night game and the New York Giants visit Indianapolis Monday night.

At Tampa, Fla., the Buccaneers are 3-0 in NFC Central games but have lost their last two overall entering Sunday's game against the division- leading Bears. They committed 12 turnovers in those two losses.

''We've still got eight games left and we know we can't make the kinds of mistakes we've made the last few weeks,'' said Tampa Bay's Vinny Testaverde, the NFL's second-rated passer who will return to the lineup after missing one game with a toe injury. ''The toe feels good now and I don't expect any problems with it Sunday.

''Everybody's pretty confident, but we're a little frustrated with the way things have gone this year.''

At Minneapolis, the Vikings and Broncos will try to get their kinks worked out and get back on the right track.

Minnesota heads into the game with a dismal 1-6 record, while Denver has a 3-4 mark. Both teams are struggling in all phases of their games.

At Indianapolis, the Giants put their 7-0 mark on the line. They join the 49ers as the NFL's only unbeaten clubs.

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#90306u1007 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (NOV. 2) UPI - At least 68 people died Friday in fighting over a disputed holy site in north India, including 18 Hindus shot by police when about 10,000 people stormed barricades and tried to begin building a temple.

The deaths brought to more than 160 the number of people who have died in violence since supporters of the right-wing Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party first attempted Tuesday to begin construction of the temple in the northern Uttar Pradesh state town of Ayodhya, 345 miles southeast of New Delhi.

Friday's violence began when Hindus gathered near the disputed site, now occupied by a 460-year-old Moslem mosque, and were blocked by police barricades. The crowd of about 10,000, wanting the mosque relocated so they can begin construction of the temple, sat on the road and sang hymns.

Later, the crowd threw stones at security forces and tried to storm the barricades, and police responded by lobbing canisters of tear gas and then opening fire, killing 18 people and wounding more than 60 others, Ayodhya police and the Press Trust of India news agency said.

Another 10,000 Hindus gathered on the outskirts of Ayodhya, demanding that they be allowed to visit the site, but authorities reported no violence.

Tension continued throughout Uttar Pradesh, with authorities enforcing a curfew in 23 of the state's 65 districts, a state Home Ministry official said.

Police and the Press Trust said violence in other parts of India Friday left another 50 people dead in fighting related to the temple dispute. Many of the victims were Moslem.

Nine of the victims were set ablaze in the western Gujarat state capital of Ahmedabad and the village of Godhra, police said. They gave no further details.

In several parts of the state, Hindus and Moslems attacked each other's religious shrines, witnesses said. Many of the activists of both religions brandished swords, knives and other weapons.

In neighboring Bangladesh, authorities relaxed for 2 1/2 an indefinite curfew in the capital city of Dhaka amid fears of violence between Hindus and Moslems over the temple issue.

At one point, police used bamboo sticks to disperse a crowd of about 5,000 people who gathered to demand that the curfew be lifted.

India's temple dispute has sparked the worst political crisis Prime Minister V.P. Singh's five-party National Front government has encountered since it assumed power 11 months ago.

The BJP withdrew its support from the government after its president, L.K. Advani, was arrested when he failed to heed a government warning to call off the plan to begin construction of the temple.

The arrest prompted the BJP to withdraw its crucial support from Singh's coalition government.

The BJP has 86 members in the Lok Sabha, or the lower house of Parliament, and its support is necessary for the survival of Singh's coalition. The BJP is not a member of the coalition, but extended critical support to the government.

President R. Venkataraman subsequently asked Singh to prove his majority in Parliament Nov. 7.

Hindu radicals claim that the mosque that occupies the Ayodhya site was built by the Moghul emperor Babbar after he destroyed a temple marking the birthplace of Lord Rama, one of the most important gods in the vast Hindu pantheon.

Moslem leaders dispute the claim and contend that no temple ever existed there.

The Ayodhya dispute has been smouldering since February 1986, when a court agreed to allow Hindus to worship in the mosque. The move led to widespread communal riots in northern India.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Private economists are still warning of a recession after the Labor Department reported the October unemployment rate was the same as September, five-point-seven percent of the work force. The economists are more worried by the loss of 100-thousand potential jobs, down to

117-point-seven-Million.

One economist calls another government report today- quoting now- ''a forecast of recession.'' The government's Index of Leading Economic Indicators dropped eight-tenths of one percent in September. The decline in the barometer of future economic activity is in line with forecasts by private analysts.

President Bush told a Republican fund-raiser in Cincinnati that he will do his ''level best'' to bring home every American soldier in the Persian Gulf- quoting now- ''without a shot being fired in anger.'' But Bush also reiterated his position that Iraqi aggression against Kuwait canNOT be allowed to stand.

Ann Hoffman of Columbus, Georgia, calls Iraq's offer to let hostage relatives into the country during the Christmas holidays ''ridiculous''. She just wants her son Miles home. He was shot by Iraqi soldiers in the Kuwait invasion and is now a human shield at an Iraqi chemical plant.

City officials in Moscow have had a change of heart and the official Tass news agency says anti-government demonstrations will be allowed on November 7th. That's the day the Soviet Union marks as its Revolution Day. But possible demonstrators are asked to use different routes from the tradional parades.

The 40-thousand U-S servicemen and dependents in the Philippines are working under restricted travel orders today. Officials fear the possibility of communist rebel attacks next week during the third round of negotiations over the future of U-S bases in the Philippines.

Two suspects in the slaying of a Texas coed jumped to their deaths from a 12th-floor room of a West Hollywood, California, hotel early today as police arrived at the door. Officers describe it as a possible ''double suicide.'' The two were wanted in Austin, Texas, in the slaying of 18-year-old Toni Terrell.

Police in Malden, Massachusetts, say an 18-year-old believed beaten by a motorist whose luxury car was hit by an egg Halloween night has died. Police say they have made NO arrests in the incident, which apparently began with a group of youths fooling around and tossing eggs in a park late Wednesday.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Oil prices fell in midday trading Friday after a quiet week in the Persian Gulf and the market's perception that a Middle East war won't break out soon and that supplies were currently adequate.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for December delivery down 62 cents by midday from Thursday to $34.55 a barrel.

''Nothing happened all week as far as military action in Kuwait is concerned and the general perception is that nothing is going to happen until after the (Nov. 6) election,'' said Joe Miller of Shearson Lehman Hutton's International Energy Desk in New York.

Steve Platt, senior energy analyst with Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. in Chicago, noted that President Bush appeared to have softened his warlike statements this week including one that he would be willing to meet Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The trader also noted that Gen. H. Norman Schwartzkopf, commander of U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia, told the New York Times in an interview that while war could erupt ''anytime,'' he did not expect military action soon.

Schwartzkopf added that Saudi oil fields were virtually immune to attack by Iraqi forces that have occupied neighboring Kuwait since the Aug. 2 invasion.

The Energy Department also reported Thursday that the four-week average of crude, gasoline and heating oil supplies rose last week over the prior week although the oil industry's American Petroleum Institute reported late Tuesday that crude stocks last week dropped for the seventh week in a row.

''Many times our figures differ,'' said Jonathan Cogan of the department's Energy Information Administration.

While there ''probably has been some technical selling'' based on the market's previous highs and lows, Platt said, ''I think the fundamentals are providing the basis for what the market has been doing - reflecting the underlying supply-demand situation drying up some of the panic buying.''

Home heating oil for December delivery was down 1.02 cents at midday to 89.35 cents a gallon.

Perhaps in response to the Energy Department's report of a drop in supplies, December unleaded gasoline had fallen 2.55 cents by midday on the Merc to 89.75 cents a gallon.

Gasoline had been the market's strong performer thus far this week, gaining 4.97 cents a gallon since last Friday's close.

The American Petroleum Institute had reported Tuesday that the nation's gasoline stocks fell 2.2 million barrels last week to 220.4 million barrels.

Ashland Oil Inc. Chairman John Hall also told a meeting of Wall Street security analysts Wednesday night that the higher prices since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait would lessen gasoline demand this winter and he expected stocks to remain at their current level even though imports would decline.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was down 70 cents from Thursday to $34.95 a barrel.

United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - had declined 65 cents to $29.85 a barrel.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Auschwitz concentration camp survivor Eva Kor says Saddam Hussein is a ''madman.'' But Adolf Hitler? No.

''I very much resent anytime anybody compares anything to the Holocaust,'' says Kor, of Terre Haute, Ind., reacting to President Bush's latest comparison of Iraq's and Nazi Germany's dictators.

''There is no way that the world could ever understand the madness of the whole world - people following Hitler, intelligent people from all over Europe following Hitler. I think it may be magnifying his (Saddam's) stature,'' Kor said Friday.

Bush has disturbed some Jewish leaders by his remark Thursday that Saddam is holding 300 innocent American civilians held against their will in Iraq, ''many reportedly staked out as human targets, something Hitler didn't do.''

In Minneapolis, Morton Ryweck, executive director of the Jewish Community Relations Council Anti-Defamation League of Minnesota and the Dakotas, saw merit in Bush's earlier analogy of Saddam's conquest of smaller Kuwait with Hitler's takeover of lesser European countries in the 1930s.

But the latest comparison goes too far, Ryweck says, because Hitler ''conducted a holocaust and a program of systematic murder of people on racial grounds and religious grounds of Jews and other people. It's not just the scale (of atrocities). Hitler had an ideology of racial conquest and a world view of racially superior and inferior people.''

B'nai B'rith International President Kent E. Schiner said Bush needs a history lesson.

''Nazi policies of seizing and executing innocent hostages - both Jewish and non-Jewish - in reprisal actions, as well as Gestapo harassment of foreign diplomats who tried to save Jews, are well documented,'' Schiner said.

Phil Baum, associate executive director of the American Jewish Congress, agrees. ''Bush is no historian. It is the kind of rhetoric politicians use that serve no good.''

Abraham H. Foxman, national director of the Anti-Defamation League in New York calls Bush's statement an ''unfortunate exaggeration because it can impact on the president's credibility. Saddam Hussein is barbaric enough and needs no comparison with other barbarians.'' Foxman and others also say they worry Bush has aggravated the Middle East situation with his latest comment.

Adds a spokesman for the American Jewish Committee in Washington, D.C., ''We do think the threat of Saddam Hussein needs to be eliminated but we don't think the comparison with Hitler is useful.''

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#90306u1056 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

CANTON, NC (NOV. 2) UPI - Between 40 and 50 cars and at least a dozen tractor-trailers slammed into each other during foggy weather on North Carolina's Interstate 40 Friday morning.

At least 47 people were taken to area hospitals, although none suffered life-threatening injuries. State troopers had to call for three buses to take the rest of the drivers and passengers to a nearby high school, where they were asked to wait until police could sort the accident out, said Elaine Cowan a North Carolina Highway Patrol dispatcher.

''There was some fog. I don't know if that was the culprit,'' Cowan said. ''We've had a lot of pileups due to the fog in that area. This is the biggest one recently, in the last three or four years.''

The wreck occurred a few miles east of Canton about 8 a.m. Traffic was blocked both directions for miles, Cowan said. Troopers finally cleared one eastbound lane about noon, but another accident a few miles away quickly blocked it again.

Among those taken to Haywood County Hospital were 22 elementary school students, who were not seriously injured, said hospital spokeswoman Janet Burnham.

One person was admitted to Haywood with a broken leg. Five other people were treated at Mission Hospital in Asheville, N.C., one with moderate injuries.

Canton police also reported heavy traffic problems in the downtown area as detoured drivers made their way through city streets.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Jason Verduzco has a chance to do something Jeff George never did at Illinois: go to the Rose Bowl.

All the sophomore quarterback has to do is guide the sixth-ranked Illini to victory over No. 13 Iowa Saturday. No. 18 Michigan is waiting in the wings to face Illinois next week.

''This is what you play football for,'' Verduzco said. ''This game (against Iowa) represents everything we work for, what you look for all your life. This is for the upper hand to go to the Rose Bowl. I'm really looking forward to this game.''

So is Illinois Coach John Mackovic, whose 6-1 team is tied for first in the Big Ten with Iowa. Both are 4-0 in conference play.

''This is going to be a big game,'' Mackovic said. ''We're telling our team that there's still several big games after this one and there's still several teams in the race.''

Verduzco has been a pleasant surprise filling in for George, who turned pro instead of completing his senior year. Verduzco is rankd 20th nationally and fourth in the Big Ten in passing efficiency, completing 133 of 207 attempts for 1,475 yards. He has thrown nine touchdown passes and seven interceptions.

''I thought with George being gone that there would be quite a dropoff but their quarterback (Verduzco) has really done a heck of a job,'' Iowa Coach Hayden Fry said.

So has the Hawkeyes junior Matt Rodgers, who has thrown for 1,286 yards this year and has talented tailbacks Nick Bell and Tony Stewart to support him.

''You've got to get them before they get you,'' Illinois defensive tackle Mel Agee said of Bell and Stewart.

But the two stingiest defenses in the Big Ten will also be on the field. Illinois is ranked 15th nationally, first in the conference in total defense, giving up 280 yards per game. Iowa is 20th nationally, second in the Big Ten, allowing 302 yards per contest.

''As long as we win, I don't care if it's low (scoring) or what,'' Fry said. ''We just want to win the game. It appears Illinois has the same philosophy - just scratch where it itches.''

In other games Saturday between rated teams, No. 1 Virginia is home against No. 14 Georgia Tech with the ACC lead at stake, No. 2 Nebraska is home against No. 7 Colorado in a Big Eight clash, No. 5 Washington plays No. 19 Arizona in a Pac-10 showdown, and No. 17 Clemson meets No. 24 North Carolina.

Other games involving the top 25 teams pit No. 3 Notre Dame at Navy, No. 4 Auburn at Florida, No. 8 Miami against Pittsburgh, No. 9 Brigham Young at Air

Force, No. 10 Tennessee against Temple, No. 11 Florida State at South Carolina No. 12 Texas at Texas Tech, No. 15 Mississippi at Louisiana State, No. 16 Wyoming at Colorado State, No. 18 Michigan at Purdue, No. 20 Oregon against UCLA, No. 21 Penn State at West Virginia, No. 22 Louisville at Cincinnati, No. 23 Southern Cal against California, No. 24 Texas A&M at Southern Methodist.

The top-ranked and undefeated Cavaliers are led by quarterback Shawn Moore, who is ranked No. 1 in the nation in passing with 18 touchdown throws and just four interceptions. He is averaging 167 yards per game in the air. Virginia also leads the country in total offense, averaging 545 yards per game, and points per game with a 48 ppg.

Colorado's Eric Bieniemy, the top-rated rusher in the country, will face the No. 8 rushing defense when the Buffaloes travel to unbeaten Nebraska in the Big Eight showdown. Bieniemy overtook Michigan's Jon Vaughn as the top ground gainer in the nation after rushing for 188 yards last week against Oklahoma. Bieniemy is averaging 154 yards per game, while Vaughn now averages 144 ypg.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - A female jogger who was gang-raped and beaten in Central Park by a gang of youths last year was grilled Friday by a defense lawyer who suggested the woman's boyfriend used to beat her up.

The jogger, whose identity has not been revealed due to the nature of the crime, walked into in state Supreme Court in Manhattan to face two of her accused attackers, still unsteady on her feet 18 months after the bloody assault.

Once on the stand, the woman, who has no memory of the attack, was asked by Colin Moore, attorney for defendant Kharey Wise, 18, whether she recognized his client. She admitted she did not.

Moore then proceeded to grill the petite blond for 30 minutes about her relationship with her former boyfriend, Kevin O'Reilly, trying to suggest O'Reilly used to assault the woman.

''You have indicated you have absolutely no recollection of what happened to you on the evening of April 19, 1989?'' Moore asked the woman, who appeared shaky even while sitting down, clad in a gray and black-stripped dress adorned with a simple gold necklace and earrings.

''Yes,'' she replied.

''And while you were in Metropolitan Hospital, do you ever recall calling out the name of a boyfriend,'' Moore continued, prompting an objection from Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer, which the judge granted.

Undaunted, Moore pushed on. ''Prior to April 19, did you ever have any altercation with Kevin O'Reilly?''

''Objection!'' shouted Lederer - a protest the judge again sustained.

''Were you ever assaulted by any male friend or companion?'' Moore persisted, prompting a third objection that was also granted.

On Thursday, jurors snickered as they listened to Moore try to suggest that the woman, who was found bloody and unconscious in a muddy ravine in Central Park, did not suffer life-threatening injuries.

Wise is on trial along with Kevin Richardson, 16, for attempted murder and rape in the attack on the woman, who was ambushed as she jogged in Central Park.

A total of six youths have been indicted in the case, including three teens who were convicted of rape and assault, but acquitted of attempted murder, in the first trial earlier this year.

Those three youths, Yusef Salaam, Raymond Santana and Antron McCray, all 16, are each currently serving 5 to 10 years in a juvenile facility.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 2) UPI - Delta Air Lines said Friday it is considering buying parts of Continental Airlines, the Houston-based carrier that recently said it had considered but rejected the idea of filing for bankruptcy protection.

Delta spokesman Neal Monroe said the Atlanta-based airline is ''exploring the availability of any assets they might have for sale.''

Continental spokesman Art Kent declined to comment on the report that some of Continental's assets might be on the block.

Airline analysts said Continental's most attractive asset could be its international routes to the Far East and Australia. Such routes would dovetail with Delta's buildup in the Pacific.

Delta will inaugurate two new daily flights to Japan and one to Hong Kong in 1991. The airline applied for a route to Australia last year but lost out to American Airlines.

''I would think the principal interests of Delta could be in acquiring some of the international routes of Continental,'' said Hans Plickert, an analyst with The Transportation Group in New York. ''Yet, at the same time, Continental has

to be very much aware that those routes are potentially very lucrative. It's a case of cash up front versus long-term profits.

''This is the point at which strong carriers like Delta can make deals. Fuel cost increases are pinching carriers like Continental. This is definitely the time to go shopping, but it remains to be seen what Continental is trying to sell and what Delta is willing to buy.''

Continental operates hubs in Honolulu and Guam, from which it serves Australia New Zealand and Japan, as well as secondary destinations through a contract with Air Micronesia.

Hollis Harris, the former Delta president who left to become chairman of Continental this past summer, said Thursday in a speech in Houston that ''certain routes, (airport landing) slots, subsidiaries or other operations'' might have to be sold.

Harris said rising fuel costs have added $70 million a month to Continental's expenses, and he said the airline is preparing to streamline by axing some low-volume flights.

Continental's board last week considered and rejected a plan to seek Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection to obtain some relief from the rising fuel costs. Harris said last week and repeated Thursday that Continental would not enter bankruptcy.

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#90306u1081 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 2) UPI - Stock prices closed mixed in light trading Friday on the London International Stock Exchange as the end of a trading period and uncertainty in the Persian Gulf kept professional investors on the sidelines.

Stocks eased slightly in Frankfurt anmd Paris.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 22.3 points Thursday, closed up 2.7 points to 2,030.7. For the week, the key index, which measures the value of Britain's largest 100 companies in terms of market capitalization, posted a loss of 32.4 points.

The narrower top 30 industrial average slipped 1.4 points to 1,570.7 and lost 27.7 points for the week.

Volume amounted to around 403 million shares compared with 373 million shares changing hands Thursday.

Analysts said local investors largely discounted the controversy surrounding the resignation of British deputy prime minister Geoffrey Howe, the FTSE

100-share index preferring to hold steady at just above the psychologically important 2,000 point barrier.

Institutional trading was confined to technical positioning before the end of the account period, analysts said.

Market watchers also said trading remained light due to uncertainty in the Persian Gulf after strong comments from Washington.

On the trading floor, among the most widely traded stocks, a weaker U.S. dollar on major foreign currency markets hurt international shares.

Eurotunnel PLC, the consortium building the Channel tunnel between England and France, tumbled 67 cents to $8.26 after announcing a 3-for-5 rights issue which was considered by analysts to be undervalued.

Royal Bank of Scotland gained 10 cents to $2.67 after a Warburg Securities brokerage firm upgrading the bank.

Barclays de Zoete Wedd bank climbed 12 cents to $6.36 in response to an ealier announced restructuring of its global financial services and administrative sectors.

Elsewhere in Europe, stocks closed slightly lower in featureless trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The Weighted German Stock Index slipped 2.94 points to 1,414.32.

Stocks also slipped in Paris, where local investors on the Paris Bourse sent the closely-watched CAC-40 Index down 10.78 points to 1, 634.79 in dull trading.

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#90306u1106 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (NOV. 2) UPI - The federal government said Friday it will ask Yugoslavia's highest judicial body to rule on the legality of legislation enacted by the republics of Serbia, Croatia and Slovenia.

In a related decision, the government of Prime Minister Ante Markovic said it was ordering federal officials to step up enforcement of federal laws and regulations in the nation's six republics.

The moves were the latest signs that, with a series of crucial elections approaching, Markovic intends to take the offensive against efforts by the republics to undermine his reform program, the main appeal of a political alliance he launched this summer.

Markovic is regarded as the only Yugoslav politician with a cohesive program of Western-style economic and political reforms and his policies have been hampered by nationalist leaderships in the republics that fear his growing popularity.

An official statement said the federal Cabinet agreed at a meeting Thursday that it will ask Yugoslavia's Constitutional Court to decide on the legality of laws recently implemented in Serbia, Croatia and Slovenia.

The court is Yugoslavia's ultimate legal arbiter and has the power to order republics to nullify statutes it deems unconstitutional.

The laws cited by the federal government include protectionist legislation enacted this week by Serbia's communist regime imposing extra taxes on rents paid in the republic by businesses owned by companies based in Slovenia and Croatia.

The government also wants reviewed Serbia's reduction by 25 percent of its financial obligations to a federal fund for developing poorer areas of the troubled Balkan nation of 23 million.

The federal government said it would ask for rulings on a number of constitutional amendments aimed at increasing Slovenian self-government, including one provision giving the republic's leadership peacetime command of all military units on its territory.

That provision has led to a major dispute between Slovenia's nationalist regime, elected earlier this year in the nation's first multiparty polls since 1945, and the Yugoslav military.

The official statement said the court would be asked to rule on a decision last week taken by Croatia's nationalist administration imposing a moratorium on reprivatization of publicly owned enterprises.

One of the mainstays of Markovic's reforms is restructuring a communist-imposed system of ''socially owned enterprises,'' which have been managed by workers' councils. Many such firms are bankrupt or on the brink of insolvency.

Regarding its order for tougher enforcement of federal statutes in the republics, the government said it told officials to ''file criminal charges against all those who, by violating federal laws, commit criminal acts.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - An American DC-10 flying from London to Dallas-Fort Worth with 242 people aboard landed safely Friday at Kennedy International

Airport after reporting a blown tire and flap control problems.

The plane was put in a holding pattern off Long Island about 1 p.m. EST after reporting its difficulties to the Federal Aviation Administration control tower at Kennedy and was ordered to dump some fuel before attempting a landing.

It came down safely at 1:28 p.m., the FAA reported.

FAA spokesman Kathleen Bergen said the plane blew a tire taking off from London Friday morning and also was experiencing problems with the hydraulic system that operates the landing flaps.

According to Port Authority police, the plane was carrying 225 passengers and 17 crew.

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#90306u1116 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 2) UPI - Auditors cannot account for $100,000 in University of Pittsburgh athletic booster funds, the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette reported Friday.

The newspaper also said Pitt's Office of Internal Audit discovered a previously unknown bank account at an unnamed Beaver County bank.

Auditors are trying to determine why numerous checks made payable to the university or the booster club, known as the Golden Panthers, were deposited into the mystery account, the newspaper said.

''The university is continuing a comprehensive investigation and an internal audit of the handling of several activities in the Golden Panthers,'' said Pitt spokesman Timothy Ziaukas, who added the audit is incomplete. ''There may be legal ramifications. If the university finds evidence of wrongdoing, it will seek and it will insist upon restitution.''

At the heart of the matter is former Golden Panthers Executive Director Robert Heddleston, who resigned last April after former football coach Mike Gottfried alleged that Heddleston forged a university check, the newspaper said.

The Post-Gazette said it sent Heddleston a certified letter seeking comment on the audit, and he received it but did not reply.

Athletic Direcotr Ed Bozik said Heddleston has been cooperating with the investigation.

The Golden Panthers has about 6,000 members and has raised some $11.5 million for Pitt athletics.

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#90306u1125 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 2) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Central Newspapers (3rd Q)	
$101,729,000	$100,753,000
$5,601,000 (.21)	$6,486,000 (.24)

CMS Energy (3rd Q)

$614,879,000	$569,102,000
d-$21,379,000	$68,248,000 (.83)

d-Deficit, after write-down of $87,800,000. The write-down includes $70,300,000 for an assumed delay to mid-1991 in the final regulatory approval of the company's recovery of its investment in the abandoned Midland nuclear project. Another $17,500,000 is related to a write-off of the remaining plant assets in Plateau Resources Ltd., the company's uranium mining and milling subsidiary.

Belding Heminway (3rd Q)

$33,969,000	$36,664,000
$240,000 (.17)	a-$1,057,000 (.52)

a-Includes a gain of $2,069,000 (1.02) from sale of Cellular Entity.

Davis Distributing (2nd Q 9-30)

$54,700,000	$54,800,000
d-$141,000	$119,000 (.08)

d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Grilli Inc (Year 8-30)

$96,400,000	$81,700,000
$14,200,000 (1.54)	$12,000,000 (1.30)

Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Guardian Trustco (3rd Q)

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d-$1,404,000	d-$456,000

d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

GWC Corp (3rd Q)

$26,643,000	$26,161,000
$4,609,000 (.46)	$4,753,000 (.48)

Hecla Mining (3rd Q)
$38,989,000 $25,287,000
$519,000 (.02) d-$3,457,000
d-Deficit.

Independent Insurance (3rd Q)
....
$7,688,000 (.58) $8,655,000 (.65)

K-Swiss Inc (3rd Q)
$31,559,000 $22,929,000
$3,116,000 (.48) $1,857,000 (.35)

MGM Grand (3rd Q)
$38,915,000 $38,828,000
d-$10,110,000 $892,000 (.04)
d-Deficit.

Numerica Fncl (3rd Q)
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d-$4,142,000 d-$1,033,000
d-Deficit.

Pier 1 Imports (2nd Q 9-1)
$149,593,000 $134,855,000
$2,568,000 (.07 $7,290,000 (.20)

Selective Insurance (3rd Q)
....
$6,581,000 (.51) $8,845,000 (.66)

Showboat Inc (3rd Q)
$88,431,000 $98,375,000
$2,880,000 (.26) a-$9,337,000 (.82)
a-Reflects pre-tax gain of $4,900,000 (.28) on sale of Showboat Country Club Las Vegas, and $2,400,000 litigation settlement.

Sound Advice (1st Q 9-30)
$28,500,000 $20,000,000
$535,0090 (.15) $140,000 (.04)

Southmark Corp (4th Q 6-30)
$90,871,000 $123,353,000
ad-$108,620,000 d-$254,394,000
ad-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

Transtechnology (2nd Q 9-30)

$46,785,000 $45,459,000
a-$952,000 (.19) $120,000 (.02)
a-Income from continuing operations.

Tasty Baking (3rd Q)
$69,666,000 $66,176,000
a-$1,081,000 (.17) $2,286,000 (.36)
a-Includes a provision for a special early retirement program begun in February 1990, of $1,250,000 (.13).

Trimas Corp (3rd Q)
$90,890,000 $52,720,000
$4,660,000 (.30) $4,100,000 (.24)

Varco Intl Inc (3rd Q)
$36,548,000 $21,801,000
$2,081,000 (.08) $408,000 (.02)
The company said the latest period includes the results of its Martin-Decker instrumentation division, acquired in May.

Washington Gas Light (4th Q 9-30)
$51,036,000 $44,983,000
d-$8,935,000 d-$10,375,000
d-Deficit.

Weatherford Intl (3rd Q)
$35,487,000 $31,393,000
$1,459,000 (.04) d-$211,000
d-Deficit.

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#90306u1132 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - American Telephone & Telegraph Co. said Friday it is launching a $6 million Seabed Tractor robot to install and maintain its undersea fiber-optic cable for communications across the ocean. The ten-ton tractor, equipped with treads, can start burying a cable from the shore and travel down the seabed to a depth of up to one mile.

Seabed Tractor, manufactured by Soil Machine Dynamics of Newcastle, Britain, is the latest addition to the many underwater equipment AT&T is using for its thousands of miles of cables sunk in the Atlantic and the Pacific Oceans.

Undersea cables must be buried under the seabed in order to avoid rough surf, fishing and trawling activities. In addition, shark bites have proved to be a problem more than once since AT&T laid its first fiber-optic cable in the Atlantic ocean in 1985.

AT&T so far has been using divers working from rafts or boats to sink the cable in the surf, while Sea Plow robots were burying the cable in the sand at greater depths. The cables are buried about three feet deep. Seabed Tractor can perform all these tasks independently while being controlled remotely by an operator aboard a cable ship.

"The Seabed Tractor will be used to help AT&T construct its Worldwide Intelligent Network," the telecommunications giant said. "In the past two years, AT&T has spanned the Atlantic, Pacific and Caribbean with fiber-optic cable."

The fiber optic-based Intelligent Network carries high-quality voice signals as well as complex transmission such as data and video input.

The company has already announced plans to build additional fiber-optic cables in coming years, including a cable across the Atlantic in 1991, across the Pacific in 1992 and from the U.S. mainland to Hawaii in 1993.

Seabed Tractor is equipped with a sonar system to direct itself, a magnetic system to locate cables and four video cameras to send technicians a visual feedback of the problem.

While its tread system allows the robot to progress on virtually any kind of underwater terrain, it can dig through the sand by jetting water or claw through hard soil with a chain trencher and cut through rocks with a rock wheel cutter.

Seabed Tractor can travel at a speed of 150 feet per minute, and at three to 15 fifteen feet per minute when trenching. Robot operations will be based in Baltimore, and be conducted by AT&T subsidiary Transpacific Communications Inc.

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PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (NOV. 2) UPI - Germany and Czechoslovakia will discuss property claims by Germans who were expelled from western Czechoslovakia's Sudetenland after World War II, it was annpounced Friday.

The province was annexed by Nazi Germany in 1938.

After World War 11 in 1945, the Czech government ousted about 3 million Sudeten Germans, most of whom resettled in East or West Germany.

''At the government level we will be discussing this,'' German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher told a news conference during a one-day visit to Prague.

He stressed, however, that the Sudeten German question would not necessarily

figure in a new treaty of cooperation to be signed by Czechoslovakia and Germany.

The German government has come under increasing pressure from the Sudeten Landsmannschaft, an organization representing former Sudeten Germans and their descendants, which is seeking the return of German property that was confiscated by Czechoslovaks after 1945.

Many former Sudeten Germans also claimed to have suffered ill- treatment after the war, being deprived of sufficient food and even being sold as indentured servants to local Czech farmers.

Genscher emphasized that the question of restitution or remuneration for the Sudeten Germans was a matter for the two governments to discuss and said Bonn would not bow to pressure from the Landsmannschaft.

''This question and all ownership questions are for the governments to discuss and not for private demand,'' he said.

On Thursday, a group known as the Czech Union of Freedom Fighters issued a statement rejecting the demands of the Landsmannschaft and similar German groups as ''unjustified.''

The union, which includes World War II resistance fighters and former victims of Nazi concentration camps, said the ''damage caused to our citizens by Nazi violence, in which the Sudeten Germans took part in important posts, has not be redressed.''

Dagmar Buresova, chairwoman of the Czech National Council, warned current Sudetenland residents to make sure they have valid titles to their property.

''Citizens living in the border lands, particularly in the Sudetenland, should ensure the legality of ownership rights of property they have acquired and even those rights they may have stemming from small privatization,'' she said Thursday.

The Czechoslovakian parliament last week passed a law to privatize state-owned small businesses except those that were illegally confiscated.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages fell to 10.13 percent from 10.17 percent while adjustable-rate notes fell to 8.15 percent from 8.17 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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ROCKVILLE, MD (NOV. 2) UPI - Champion boxer Sugar Ray Leonard and his estranged wife reached an agreement Friday on a divorce settlement just before they were to go to court but the couple refused to disclose any details.

The Leonards and their attorneys negotiated in private at the Montgomery County Courthouse for about two hours before court officials announced the pair had reached an agreement.

A hearing was set for 9:30 a.m. on Juanita Leonard's request for an increasein monthly child support and alimony payments from $12,000 to $50,000. But celebrity attorney Marvin Mitchelson, who represents Juanita, 33, said the accord also involved a pre-nuptial agreement signed in 1979.

Earlier this week, Mitchelson said a hearing had been scheduled for March on the validity of the pre-nuptial agreement. He had said Leonard, 34, was worth an estimated $50 million.

''This has not been a happy time for either of us,'' Leonard said in an impromptu news conference at the courthouse, his arm draped over Juanita's shoulder. ''It's been painful and agonizing for us the last couple of years.

''I still love her and she loves me (but) I think it's time we went our separate ways,'' said the five-time boxing champion. ''We will always be together because we have two lovely kids but life goes on.''

The Leonards said they would not discuss Juanita's allegations of physical abuse and adultery on the part of her husband.

''Everybody has their fights,'' she said.

''There's always room for forgiveness,'' he said.

The Leonards were married in 1980, but Mitchelson said they had been living together for seven years before that. Sugar Ray filed for divorce last March, three years after Juanita gave birth to their second child.

The couple share joint custody of their two children, ages six and 16. Each lives in a separate home in Maryland.

Mitchelson called the divorce settlement one of the nicest he has seen ''in 34 years and 5,000 cases.''

Leonard is preparing to fight for a Junior Middleweight Championship against Terry Norris next year. He last fought in December 1989 and won a decision over longtime rival Roberto Duran of Panama.

When asked if he was dating anyone special, Leonard said he was.

Juanita said she wasn't but added, ''I'm looking.''

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Analysts are tearing apart this morning's October job report, trying to find out what it all really means. The unemployment figure remained just where it was in September, five-point-seven percent of the work force. Janet Norwood, commissioner of the Labor Department's Labor Statistics Bureau, says that more industries lost jobs than gained them last month, the third month in a row that that has happened.

Increased layoffs and a general business contraction are showing up in the latest help-wanted advertising index from New York's Conference Board. The September reading is down to 122. That's 24 points below last year, and five points below August. The volume of advertising for new jobs is down in seven of the nine regions, up in only two.

A ruling may come by the end of the year in the case of a Missouri couple asking court permission to remove the feeding tube keeping their daughter alive. Nancy Cruzan suffered severe brain damage in a 1983 car accident and is now in what is called a ''persistent vegetative state.'' Two former co-workers and one of her former bosses testified in court yesterday that Cruzan had told them she would rather be allowed to die if she were ever in a coma.

Hospital officials in Tahiti confirm that the daughter of actor Marlon Brando is one of their patients but they refuse to say why. Reports from the Pacific island say that Cheyenne Brando is suffering from a drug overdose. The 20-year-old woman fled to Tahiti after her half-brother Christian allegedly killed her lover at Marlon Brando's estate in Hollywood Hills.

The Washington Post says the National Football League is considering moving the 1993 Super Bowl out of Phoenix if Arizona voters do NOT approve a Martin Luther King Junior holiday next week. Arizona, Montana and New Hampshire are the only three states without the King holiday, but the question is on the ballot in two referendums. If either passes, King's birthday becomes an Arizona holiday. N-F-L officials reportedly would rather move their biggest showcase than deal with the sensitive issue.

A part-time soldier who survived an Irish Republican Army attack three years ago was NOT so fortunate today. Police in Northern Ireland say the soldier died in an explosion at the garage where he worked 55 miles west of Belfast. Police say a woman dressed in black asked the soldier to fix her van... then disappeared just seconds before the vehicle exploded, killing the soldier.

Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip are observing a general strike today, with the Israeli army imposing a curfew on most of the occupied areas.

Shops are closed, and many Arabs workers stayed home in observance of the 73rd anniversary of a statement of British policy supporting a Jewish homeland in Palestine. Palestinian sources say five Arabs were hurt during clashes with troops in Gaza City.

The U-S Postal Service may NOT stop for rain, snow or the gloom of night, but it's having some trouble with Saudi Arabian sand these days. Sergeant Michael Bragg sorts mail for Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia. He says American soldiers are mailing Saudi sand home. The problem is... it leaks out of envelopes and gums up the stamp-cancelling machines. Bragg says workers had to resort to hand-cancelling on some occasions because the machines stop. Bragg says there's NOTHING wrong with sending sand home, but it should be in boxes and labeled as merchandise.

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EAST ST. LOUIS, IL (NOV. 2) UPI - The Wall Street investment firm behind the financing of the failed East St. Louis riverfront development pleaded guilty to fraudulently issuing more than $223 million in bonds, U.S. Attorney Frederick Hess said Friday.

The firm, Matthews & Wright Inc., will pay a $1 million fine and set up a $7 million trust fund "to benefit the citizens of East St. Louis" under a plea agreement with Hess. The plea agreement and penalties must be approved by U.S. District Judge William D. Stiehl.

Matthews & Wright made $8 million by issuing $223.7 million in tax-exempt bonds for a port that was to have been developed along the Mississippi River. The firm also made $11.6 million on the issuance of $250 million in bonds for two other projects slated for poverty-stricken East St. Louis.

Hess said plea negotiations had been going on for several months, but no charges were filed in the case until Thursday - when the firm responded immediately with a guilty plea.

The now-defunct investment firm and its former vice president, Arthur Abba Goldberg, pleaded guilty to selling fraudulent bonds for one of the three failed development projects.

Goldberg accepted an 18-month prison sentence and agreed to drop his appeal of an 18-month sentence he received for mail fraud charges in a similar case in Guam. Goldberg will be sentenced Jan. 31 and will serve both sentences simultaneously, Hess said.

The firm, Hess said, bought the port bonds with a worthless check, drawn on a credit union controlled by Matthews & Wright. Hess also said the firm influenced a favorable opinion on the feasibility of the port so the bonds

would be exempt from taxes.

The guilty plea ended a four-year investigation into Matthews & Wright. However, Hess said his office will continue to investigate the failed development projects.

East St. Louis Mayor Carl E. Officer, who envisioned "a riverfront renaissance " has not given up hope of revitilizing his city. "The riverfront is still going to be developed," Officer said. "My dreams will not end until I die."

Matthews & Wright in 1985 issued $474 million in bonds for the city to build a port, a recycling plant and an apartment complex. None of the projects has been built. The banks that hold the bond money will refund it to investors Dec. 15.

Although the money for the port bonds did not come out of the pockets of city residents, Hess said they deserved compensation because the scheme falsely elevated their hopes for economic renewal. Hess also said the city will not control the $7 million trust fund. Rather, the trust should be handled by a non-political administrator, he said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - The nation's retailers face a major shakeout during the 1990s that will leave half of them out of business by the turn of the century, an economist said Friday.

Ira Kalish, senior consultant and economist of Management Horizons, the retail consulting division of the accounting giant Price Waterhouse, said the reduction in retailers would result from changing demographics, and new stricter spending habits following the binge of the 1980s.

Quoting Retail 2000, a report issued by the firm earlier this year, he said the retailing industry has too mmany stores, too much sameness and too much debt. "By the end of the decade half of the retailers in the U.S. will be out of business," he said.

Speaking to reporters, he said retailing as a share of gross national product would slip to about 31 percent from the current 34 percent by the year 2000, representing about $150 billion worth of business.

Retailers would have to contend with significant shifts in population, he said. For example, the crucial 18-to-34 age group toward which most retailers aim their merchandise, would be reduced eight million by the year 2000.

Spending habits and priorities will change, too, he said. "In the 1980s, people spent more and saved less. The 90s will be the reverse. People will be

less acquisitive and more concerned with their children's education and their own retirement."

In addition, the Black and Hispanic populations of the United States would rise to 24 percent by the year 2000, demanding another shift of emphassis on the part of retailers.

"There will be no more homogeneous mass market," he said. Success will come to the retailer who focuses on individual customers so that it becomes a large share of each consumer's budget. It will be a "relationship market."

The key to survival, Kalish said, would be an emphasis on the individual consumer, rather than the mass market. Successful retailers would have the ability to focus sharply on their customer in terms of age, income and lifestyle, and lure them with things such as liberal return policies and private label credit cards.

The fragmentation of the customer base would demand "the ability to manage at the micro level and to have a decentralized system of control." He cited The Limited Inc. of Columbus, Ohio, a women's apparel retailer, as being a successful recent example of this approach, through its portfolio of stores that cater to narrow markets.

Successful retailers will use technology to identify their customers. And they will be able to react quickly to a changing market. "They will be able to move the right products to the stores at the right time."

Retailers will be more successful as part of a "strip center" or multi-use neighborhood complex than as part of a mall, Kalish said. "America will be demalling."

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(NOV. 2) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close

Nov. 1, 1990
Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	419.05	off 13.74	off 1.96
Growth & Income	659.97	off 12.99	off 1.93
Balanced	438.14	off 11.63	off 0.67

Average Fund Performances:

Capital Appreciation (142)	off 15.34	off 1.97
Growth (262)	off 13.62	off 1.93
Small Co. Growth (82)	off 20.86	off 2.41
Growth & Income (200)	off 11.74	off 1.34
Equity Income (67)	off 12.01	off 0.68
Average 753 Equity	off 14.12	off 1.72
Health/Biotech (9)	up 4.80	off 2.73
Natural Resources (19)	off 7.48	off 1.19
Environmental (5)	off 16.02	off 3.17
Science & Technology (23)	off 15.22	off 2.49
Specialty/Misc (29)	off 17.10	off 1.59
Utility (15)	off 4.31	up 1.05
Financial Services (9)	off 27.49	off 2.45
Real Estate (6)	off 20.52	off 2.10
Option Income (10)	off 10.94	off 0.99
Global (42)	off 10.98	off 2.77
International (57)	off 10.16	off 3.31
European Region (17)	off 2.74	off 2.67
Pacific Region (18)	off 15.28	off 4.68
Gold Oriented (35)	off 24.02	off 0.42
Average All Equity (1042)	off 13.81	off 1.85
Flexible Portfolio (46)	off 7.19	off 1.03
Global Flexible Port (11)	off 5.92	off 0.63
Balanced (62)	off 6.01	off 0.76
Convertible Security (29)	off 13.31	off 1.87
Mixed Income (13)	off 3.95	off 0.19
Income (4)	off 10.53	off 0.63
World Income (44)	up 10.48	off 0.22
Fixed Income (539)	up 0.98	off 0.04
Average 1795 Funds	off 8.16	off 1.19
Median 1795 Funds	off 8.60	off 1.00
Unmanaged Market Indicators:		
DJ Industrial 2,454.95	off 10.83	off 1.18
S&P 500 307.02	off 13.12	off 1.02
S&P 400 359.80	off 10.83	off 1.38
NYSE Composite 167.59	off 14.07	off 1.13
Amex 288.90	off 23.57	off 1.33

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)

Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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ATHENS, Greece (NOV. 2) UPI - Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani

said Friday there was serious danger that war may be imminent in the Gulf because Iraq ''has not yet come to its senses,'' Tehran radio reported.

In his strongest criticism of Iraq since President Saddam Hussein sent his forces into Kuwait Aug. 2, Rafsanjani said the situation in the Gulf had deteriorated because Iraq ''has not yet come to its senses and won't see reason.''

The Iranian president said Saddam's stance on his invasion and annexation of Kuwait ''could not be tolerated.''

''The problem (Iraq had created) is intolerable,'' and Iran's views on this were the same as those of other countries, he said.

''I see security in the region to be in serious danger,'' Rafsanjani said. ''There is concern that clashes will break out,'' but Iran would ''make every effort to prevent this war,'' he said.

Iran was coordinating its efforts with other countries in the region for this, the president said.

Rafsanjani's remarks came a day after Bahraini Foregin Minister Mohammad bin Mubarak al Khalifa ended a two-day visit to Tehran, where he met the president.

Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati said Al Khalifa briefed the Iranian leaders on decisions taken by the Gulf Cooperation Council to seek Iran's help in bringing about a solution to the Gulf crisis.

The GCC is made up of Bahrain, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Oman.

In Istanbul, the newspaper Hurriyet reported that Turkish President Turgut Ozal was scheduled to visit Tehran late next week to meet Rafsanjani and brief him on his recent contacts with U.S. officials and regional leaders on the Gulf crisis.

Ozal's trip was due to take place three days after his scheduled meeting with Secretary of State James Baker Tuesday.

Earlier during the Gulf crisis, Iran took an ambiguous stance, condemning the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait while at the same time expressing concern about the presence of foreign forces in the Gulf.

Tehran restored diplomatic relations with Baghdad last month, some two months after Saddam pulled his troops out of Iraqi territory and pledged to honor the 1975 Algiers accord which divides the Shatt al Arab river between Iran and Iraq.

But over the past few days Iran has expressed increasing irritation that Baghdad has still not returned several thousand Iranian prisoners of war who were not registered with the International Committee of the Red Cross during the 1980-88 war.

Early this week, the Iranian state radio expressed fears that an all- out war could break out any moment in the Gulf and that Iran may be drawn into the conflict along with other countries of the region.

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PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 2) UPI - Seven former followers of a dead Indian guru who once operated a controversial commune in central Oregon have been charged with plotting to kill the U.S. attorney in Portland.

The seven former followers of the Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh have been indicted for conspiring to murder U.S. Attorney Charles Turner.

The indictment was handed down by a federal grand jury May 25, but was made public only Thursday after six of the defendants were arrested around the world.

The seventh defendant, alleged ringleader Ma Anand Sheela, was the former top aide to the Bhagwan who once served time in federal prison after being convicted of attempted murder, immigration fraud, eavesdropping, arson and poisoning residents near the commune.

After being released from federal prison in 1988, Sheela was deported.

Authorities now believe she is living in Switzerland. Sheela married Urs Birnstiel, a Swiss citizen, which means that if she is living in Switzerland she cannot be extradited to the United States to stand trial.

The last of the other six defendants, Sally Croft, 41, was arrested Tuesday in England after surrendering to police.

The indictment alleges the group decided to murder Turner and then assembled weapons and spied on him in the summer of 1985. The plot never was carried out. Turner is still the U.S. attorney for Oregon.

According to the indictment, he was targeted for murder because a federal grand jury was investigating possible immigration fraud by the Rajneeshes.

The indictment also accuses the seven of plotting to kill the guru's doctor, Swami Devaraj, and all but Sheela are charged with illegal interstate transportation of firearms.

The murder conspiracy charge carries a maximum penalty of life in prison.

In the early 1980s the Bhagwan, a self-described rich man's guru and ''free love'' advocate, established a commune on a ranch in the central Oregon desert. At one time, the group had a fleet of almost 100 Rolls Royces for the Bhagwan's personal use.

Animosity quickly grew between the Rajneeshees and longtime residents of the area, and authorities accused the Bhagwan's followers of a variety of crimes. Eventually Rajneesh was deported from the United States in November 1985 for immigration fraud. He later returned to a commune in Pune, India, and died there last January.

In addition to Croft, those arrested and indicted are Catherine J. Stubbs, 45, also known as Shanti Bhadra; Ann P. McCarthy, 43, also known as Yoga Vidya; Susan Lissanevitch, 50, also known as Anand Su; Carol Matthews, 45, also known as Prem Samadhi; and Richard K. Langford, 40, also known as Swami Anugiten.

Three of the defendants were arrested in West Germany, two in England and one in South Africa.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 2) UPI - Grain futures were higher in quiet trading but a late sell-off pressured soybean futures Friday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

The grains were higher all day on light commercial and commission house buying and a slight increase in export business.

South Korea bought 150,000 tons of corn and Morocco was in the market for 150,000 tons of wheat.

Gains in wheat were tempered by the weather forecast. Rain was predicted for much of the Wheat Belt during the weekend with the potential for an inch or more in some areas. The precipitation was expected to be in the form of snow in northeast Colorado and western Nebraska.

There was widespread speculation that President Bush might announce the granting of export credits to the Soviet Union during a speech in Rochester, Minn., but he made no reference to the issue. Bush was campaigning for Republican candidates in Minnesota and Iowa.

Soybean prices tumbled during the final minutes of trading. The aggressive selling was attributed to the lack of an announcement of credit guarantees to the Soviets.

Continued harvest activity weighed on corn and soybean values.

Basis levels generally were steady.

At the close, corn was up 1/2 to 1 3/4, soybeans down 3 1/2 to up 1, wheat up 2 1/2 to 4 1/4 and oats unchanged to up 1/2.

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GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL (NOV. 2) UPI - A panel of parents and educators debated Friday whether to ban ''My Friend Flicka'' from a list of recommended readings for elementary students because of bad language.

Also on the list of books under consideratin at the Clay County school superintendant's office were ''Abel's Island'' and ''Little Red Riding Hood,'' which some parents feared promoted drinking alcohol.

The debate lasted most of the day in the courthouse annex at Orange Park, a suburb of Jacksonville. No indication was given when the book review committee might issue a decision.

The controversy began when Karen and Ken Wacha were approached by their 11-year-old son, Randy, with complaints that the 1941 classic ''Flicka'' was marred by bad words. In October, he brought home a condensed version of the book.

''There it was - 'damn' twice and 'bitch' once,'' said Wacha. ''I didn't remember seeing those words before, but there they were.''

The word ''bitch'' was used to refer the character of a female horse.

Within days, other parents objected to ''Abel's Island'' and ''Little Red Riding Hood.'' The former depicts a lost mouse having a drink of wine with a soused toad; a version of the latter published by Houghton Mifflin Publishing Co. refers to wine young Red takes to her ailing grandmother.

School officials in the largely rural county were worried the references might cloud the anti-drinking messages hammered into children by the schools.

''A book that might be acceptable in Miami or of Chicago might not be acceptable here,'' said Keystone Heights Elementary School Principal Ken Blair. ''I don't see any reason to have profanity at the elementary level.''

Norma Jones, assistant director of the Clay County Public Library System, said the system's 120,000 volumes include the three books cited.

'''My Friend Flicka' is a classic,'' Joles said. ''I see nothing wrong with it.''

Others insist they don't want their kids picking up ideas about cursing and drinking at school.

''The truth is, there's a lot of profanity in the world, and I just don't mean language,'' said Blair.

Wacha said he at first considered letting it pass when his son complained about a conversation between a character and the book's central figure, a little boy.

''Well, you'll never make a friend of that filly,'' the passage reads. ''She's all cut and scarred up already with tearing through barbed wire after that bitch of a mother of hers.''

''That wasn't a reference to a female dog,'' Wacha told The Tampa Tribune for Friday's editions. ''I even called a friend who raises horses to make sure that a bitch wasn't also a female horse.''

His friend said it was not.

Other county residents said they didn't see what the fuss was all about.

''It can't be any worse than what Bart Simpson says every week,'' said Jeanne Birtel, a clerk at the downtown Green Cove Springs Shop. ''I don't think kids could read anything as bad as what they see on TV.''

''Children these days know an awful lot more than we did at their age,'' said Dawn McCormick, a secretary at the First Presbyterian Church of Green Cove Springs.

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DES MOINES, IA (NOV. 2) UPI - The National Pork Producers Council Friday called on U.S. officials to seek trade retaliation against the European Community for banning imports of U.S. pork variety meats into Europe.

The NPPC urged immediate retaliation against imports of pork products from 12 nations of the European Community. The EC banned the U.S. products as of Thursday, claiming U.S. meatpacking plants do not meet its sanitation requirements.

With the loss of the variety market, U.S. pork producers can sell no products in Europe. The EC in August de-listed the last U.S. packing plant that sold products such as ham and loin in Europe, meaning its products were not allowed into EC countries.

An NPPC spokeswoman said U.S. retaliatory measures could include an embargo of certain products, an increase in tariffs for EC products when they reach the United States, or other actions.

The United States is a large market for European pork products. From 1987-1989 EC countries exported nearly $1 billion in fresh chilled meat, ham, bacon, and other products, excluding variety meats, to America. During the same period, U.S. pork producers exported $7.5 million in comparable products to Europe.

The pork producers also urged U.S. Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter to use his authority under the Federal Meat Inspection Act to recommend that President Bush prohibit the import of certain meat imports from the EC.

The request is consistent with a decision earlier this week by members of the Meat Industry Trade Policy Council in response to the EC action on pork variety meats.

The NPPC and other segments of the U.S. meat industry say food safety is not an issue, but the EC's actions are a "brazen attempt by the EC to interfere with U.S. foreign trade."

The NPPC spokeswoman said Friday the EC's actions block fair trade and hamper efforts to increase exports of U.S. pork products in Europe. The $10 million variety products market in Europe is crucial for U.S. producers, she said.

"This is not a big market, but an important one. The variety meat market is very critical to our industry, particularly because of the demand for variety meats in European countries," she said. Variety meats are not as popular with U.S. consumers.

The NPPC said it has been a strong proponent of the Bush administration's objectives in the Uruguay Round of trade talks, including proposals by the U.S. for the elimination of agricultural subsidies and tariff and non-tariff trade barriers. The organization said it asked U.S. officials to take action against the EC for only one purpose: to keep U.S. meat export markets open.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) UPI - In a move to ease tensions between Israel and the United States, Secretary of State James Baker Friday ordered a technical team to go to Israel to begin discussions on how to apply a $400 million housing loan guarantee.

The decision, conveyed Friday morning to Israeli Ambassador Zalman Shoval, reduces tensions but still does not settle a central issue of disagreement between the United States and Israel: whether East Jerusalem and the

surrounding annexed territory is occupied territory.

Israel says it is not. The United States says it is, and that Israel cannot spend any U.S. funds for settling recent immigrants there.

Shoval, speaking to a news conference Friday, said, ''We have differing views.''

But he said the $400 million loan guarantee can be used to ensure money will be available for building housing units inside Israel, and he said nothing in the U.S. agreement to supply the guarantee prohibits Israel from spending its own money for building settlements in East Jerusalem.

One month ago, on Oct. 2, Foreign Minister David Levy signed a letter that said Israel would not encourage the settlement of recent immigrants ''beyond the green line,'' meaning territory that was not controlled by Israel on June 5, 1967.

U.S. officials understood that to mean East Jerusalem, as well as the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Once he returned to Israel, Levy said the language was not meant to include East Jerusalem. Annoyed State Department officials delayed the departure of the U.S. delegation, citing ''technical details.''

That dispute came on top of a larger, deeper disagreement, also involving East Jerusalem.

The United States joined the effort in the U.N. Security Council to condemn Israeli excessive use of force in putting down a riot in East Jerusalem on Oct. 8. In the clash, 21 Palestinians were killed.

The United States, in addition to voting for the condemnation, also voted for another resolution, which deplored Israel's refusal to permit a U.N. fact-finding team from going to Israel to investigate the incident.

The Israeli government refused to accept the U.N. team because, according to the Israeli government, it would call into question Israel's claimed sovereignty in East Jersualem.

Shoval, a former member of the Knesset in the conservative Likud coalition, said that the $400 million housing loan guarantee is important symbolically, but he said it would represent a minute portion of the housing that Israel will need to absorb the flood of new immigrants.

Last month, he said, 20,000 new immigrants arrived, mainly from the Soviet Union.

He estimated that the $400 million would provide for 5,000-7,000 housing units. But, he said, Israel will require 250,000 new housing units for future

immigrants in the next four to six years at a total cost of between $20 billion and $30 billion.

The encouragement of that immigration and the absorption of those new citizens he said, is Israel's most important task.

Shoval said that Israel rejected as ''outrageous'' a U.N. report on the treatment of Palestinians and would reject a Geneva conference on the subject.

The State Department, asked if the United States would support such a conference, said it had not read the report and was not ready to take a position on it.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Two of the government's economic indicators were up in September, the other nine were down. And analysts say it's another warning of tough times ahead. The overall September reading dropped eight-tenths of one percent after being down by a revised one-point-two percent in August. The index is actually up by two-tenths of one percent when spread over the past six months. But it is down one-point-one percent when the measurement is taken over the past year.

Iraq now gives its ''word of honor'' that American relatives of hostages in Iraq and Kuwait will be allowed to come and go freely during the Christmas season. An Iraqi spokesman says the hostage meetings with their relatives will take place at what he termed ''comfortable places.'' The U-S commander in Operation Desert Shield, meanwhile, told interviewers that he wants everything possible to be done to avoid a war in the Persian Gulf. But General Normal Schwarzkopf added that if fighting erupts, he will use everything available.

The mother of a Marine lance corporal stationed six miles from Kuwait says he has written back with a warning that Iraqi terrorists may be collecting home addresses of U-S servicemen. The reason may be to mail letter bombs home to soldiers' families. Marie Skic of Merrill, Wisconsin, says the letter from her son also warns her to be careful about opening suspicious packages.

The Soviet news agency Tass says six people were killed and at least 30 others wounded today in Moldavia, where a state of emergency has been declared in a second region. Tass says the fighting involved clashes between militia units, Moldavian vigilantes and residents of the breakaway Russian-speaking eastern region. The new state of emergency was ordered by local authorities in ethnic Russian and Ukranian areas of Moldavia.

The White House has added Czechoslovakia to the list of stops for President Bush as he begins a 10-day foreign tour on November 15th. Germany is the first stop in a series that includes a European security conference in Paris

November 19th to the 21st. The one-day Czechoslovakia visit is set for November 17th. Bush ends the tour with a Thanksgiving Day visit to U-S troops in Saudi Arabia.

The executor of the estate of Jack Ruby says he offered to sell or ''lease'' the gun used to kill presumed presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald to T-V producers, Life magazine and a famous London wax museum. Jules Meyer said the gun had some value and could raise money to pay bills that he says total 55-thousand dollars. Ruby's heirs filed suit in Dallas to recover custody of the weapon... a snub-nosed Colt ''Cobra.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Gold futures closed Friday 510 to 560 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	380.00	....	....	376.40	381.50
Dec	381.60	382.00	376.10	378.00	383.10
Feb	385.50	386.00	380.20	381.80	387.00
Apr	389.00	389.00	384.00	385.30	390.50
Jun	392.20	392.20	388.00	389.10	394.30
Aug	392.70	392.70	392.00	392.70	398.00
Oct	400.50	....	....	396.60	402.00
Dec	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.50	406.00
Feb	408.90	....	....	404.90	410.40
Apr	413.00	....	....	409.00	414.50
Jun	417.50	....	....	413.50	419.00
Aug	422.30	....	....	418.20	423.80

Open interest: 114,093 off 441.

Estimated sales: 35,000 contracts.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 2) UPI - Radical deputies said Friday they will ignore a Soviet Parliament ban and stage a religious march through Moscow on Revolution Day next week.

They said it would mark ''a symbolic path from the citidals of totalitarianism toward democracy.''

Other lawmakers announced plans to hold a separate protest demonstration ending at Red Square just after the official military parade, where they vowed to demand the resignation of the Soviet government.

The radical legislators announced their plans after Moscow city officials challenged the central government and authorized protest rallies in the Soviet capital on the Nov. 7 national holiday.

The executive committee of the Moscow City Council decided late Thursday to allow anti-Communist demonstrations in addition to the Red Square military parade that will celebrate the 73rd anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution.

''Having evaluated the situation in the city and listened to representatives of the Communist Party and public organizations that wanted to hold protests, the executive committee decided to ensure all citizens equal rights to express their views,'' Tass said.

A decree earlier Thursday by the national legislature's presidium, or exectuve arm, banned such rallies in Moscow on Revolution Day to avoid possible clashes and embarrassment for the Soviet leadership.

But radical lawmakers said they would hold a ''procession of the cross,'' a Russian Orthodox cermony normally held on Easter, through the capital and ending at the home of Andrei Sakharov, the late physicist, human rights champion and legislator.

The procession will be led by Russian Orthodox priest Gleb Yakunin, a member of the Russian Federation Parliament. Also participating will be Yuri Afanasyev, Mikhail Bocharov and Arkadi Murashev, deputies in the Soviet or Russian legislatures.

''This will be a symbolic path from the citidals of totalitarianism toward democracy and humanism,'' said Lev Shemaev, a member of the Moscow Voters' Association. ''We shall declare on Nov. 7 that not everyone in our country is happy with his fate as a laboratory rabbit in the great experiment of 1917-1990.''

Yakunin said the procession would be in the name of ''the innocent victims through all the years of the party apparatus' reign.''

Other lawmakers, including ex-KGB official Oleg Kalugin, Tatyana Koryagina, Sergei Belozertsev and Bitali Urazhtsev, said their separate demonstration will join two columns from separate parts of Moscow for a final march on Red Square.

The second group of radical legislators said they would demand the resignation of the Soviet government, the release of all remaining political prisoners, full sovereignty for the Russian Federation and the creation of the giant republic's own armed forces.

The decision by Moscow officials to allow the protest rallies was the latest challenge to central authority by the local government, which has been

controlled by radicals since a stunning election victory in May. Mayor Gavriil Popov and key deputies have quit the party since the election.

The city officials authorized three demonstrations: the traditional military parade under the auspices of the Moscow Communist Party, a protest organized by the Moscow Voters' Association and a rally by deputies in the national parliament and the Russian Federation's legislature.

The Moscow Voters' Association, an umbrella group of radical clubs, offered to cancel its demonstration if the official military parade was also called off, but the city party insisted on holding the annual celebration of the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution, Tass said.

In a minor concession to the Soviet government, the local authorities asked the Moscow Voters' Association to limit its demonstration to 25,000 people and to choose a route that will not intersect the paths of the other rallies.

President Mikhail Gorbachev issued a decree in September requiring activists to get permission from the Soviet government for all rallies within Moscow's Garden Ring delimiting the central area, but that edict was subsequently overturned by the Soviet Parliament's new Constitutional Compliance Committee.

Anti-communist protests disrupted official Revolution Day festivities last year in four of the Soviet Union's 15 republics, and the celebrations this year have already been canceled in six republics.

The Moscow Voters' Association sponsored the May 1 protests that disrupted the International Labor Day celebration at Red Square when hecklers jeered at Gorbachev and other government leaders.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	380.25	up 1.00
Morning fixing	379.75	off 0.50
Afternoon fixing	377.50	off 2.75
Close	375.75	off 4.50
Paris	381.46	up 0.36
Zurich	376.00	off 4.50
Hong Kong	380.05	off 3.60
New York		
Comex spot close	376.40	off 5.10
Republic cash	376.50	off 4.75
Handy and Harman	377.50	off 2.90

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 378.79 off 2.91 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 397.73 off 3.06 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.185	off 0.071
Republic cash	4.18	off 0.065

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.16 per fine ounce off 0.04

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.16 off 0.065 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.451 off 0.07.

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 424.00 off 12.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 524.00 off 12.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 95.50 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 110.50 off 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 2 to 7 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.69	9.81	9.57	9.71	9.73
May	9.71	9.82	9.59	9.70	9.77
Jly	9.72	9.81	9.60	9.69	9.77
Oct	9.71	9.80	9.64	9.69	9.76
Mar	9.73	....	....	9.77	9.83

Estimated sales: 15,925 contracts

Open interest: 111,149 up 1,442

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.76

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday 3 points higher to 18 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.18	23.23	23.18	23.23	23.20
Mar	23.20	23.22	23.20	23.22	23.20
May	23.34	23.34	23.31	23.31	23.31

Jly	23.35	23.35	23.31	23.31	23.32
Sep	23.31	23.31	23.30	23.31	23.30
Nov	23.13	23.14	23.10	23.14	23.13
Jan	23.00	23.01	23.00	23.01	23.19

Estimated sales: 456 contracts
Open interest: 10,937 up 42

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CHICAGO (NOV. 2) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Friday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.62 1/2	2.66	2.61 3/4	2.65	2.62 1/4
Mar	2.76 3/4	2.79 1/2	2.76 1/2	2.79 1/4	2.76 3/4
May	2.86	2.88 1/4	2.84 5/8	2.88 1/4	2.85 1/2
Jly	2.89 1/2	2.94	2.88 1/2	2.93	2.89 1/4
Sep	2.98	2.98	2.98	2.98	2.94 1/2
Dec	3.10	3.10	3.10	3.10	3.05 3/4
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.30 1/4	2.32	2.30	2.30 1/4	2.29 3/4
Mar	2.40 1/2	2.41 1/2	2.39 1/2	2.40 1/4	2.39 1/2
May	2.46 3/4	2.48	2.46	2.46 3/4	2.46 1/2
Jly	2.51 1/2	2.52 3/4	2.50 3/4	2.51 3/4	2.50 3/4
Sep	2.50 3/4	2.52	2.50 1/4	2.50 1/2	2.50 3/4
Dec	2.49 3/4	2.52	2.49 3/4	2.51 1/4	2.49 1/2
Mar	2.57 1/2	2.57 1/2	2.57 1/2	2.57 1/2	2.56
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.22 1/4	1.22 1/4	1.21 1/4	1.21 1/2	1.21
Mar	1.32 1/4	1.32 1/4	1.31	1.31 1/2	1.31
May	1.39	1.39	1.37 3/4	1.38	1.38
Jly	1.43 1/2	1.44	1.43 1/2	1.44	1.43 3/4
Sep	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.49 3/4
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	5.97 1/2	5.99 1/2	5.92	5.92 1/2	5.96
Jan	6.13 1/2	6.16	6.09	6.09 1/4	6.12 1/2
Mar	6.28 1/2	6.30 1/2	6.23 1/2	6.24 1/4	6.27
May	6.41 1/2	6.42 1/2	6.37	6.37 1/4	6.39 1/2
Jly	6.51	6.52 1/2	6.46 1/2	6.46 3/4	6.49 1/4
Aug	6.50 3/4	6.51	6.45	6.45 1/2	6.48 3/4
Sep	6.28	6.29	6.26	6.26	6.25
Nov	6.16	6.17 1/2	6.15	6.15 3/4	6.15 1/2
Jan	6.27	6.27	6.27	6.27	6.27 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	21.72	21.77	21.51	21.55	21.65
Jan	22.01	22.02	21.84	21.85	21.95
Mar	22.45	22.50	22.30	22.31	22.40
May	22.86	22.86	22.72	22.72	22.85
Jly	23.10	23.10	22.99	23.00	23.10
Aug	23.10	23.10	23.03	23.03	23.04
Sep	22.90	22.96	22.85	22.95	22.65
Oct	22.65	22.70	22.60	22.60	22.65
Dec	22.50	22.60	22.50	22.55	22.50
Jan	....	....	....	22.55	22.50

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	180.50	182.30	180.10	180.20	180.30
Jan	183.00	184.80	182.50	182.60	182.50
Mar	187.00	188.80	186.80	186.90	186.60
May	189.50	190.50	188.80	188.90	188.80
Jly	192.00	192.50	191.00	191.00	191.10
Aug	192.50	192.80	191.80	191.80	191.50
Sep	189.00	190.00	188.00	188.30	188.50
Oct	185.00	185.00	184.00	184.00	184.20
Dec	185.00	185.50	184.50	185.00	184.70

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CHICAGO (NOV. 2) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	77.00	77.15	76.70	77.10	77.00
Feb	74.62	74.77	74.40	74.72	74.62
Apr	74.87	74.95	74.70	74.90	74.85
Jun	72.75	72.80	72.60	72.75	72.77
Aug	71.30	71.32	71.30	71.30	71.30
Oct	71.60	71.60	71.50	71.50	71.50
Dec	72.30	72.30	72.25	72.27	72.35

Est. sales 7,805 contracts; Thursday 12,190; open interest 67,980 up 366.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Nov	87.40	87.40	87.05	87.22	87.35
Jan	85.45	85.45	85.12	85.30	85.45
Mar	83.57	83.57	83.10	83.32	83.50
Apr	82.50	82.55	82.27	82.47	82.45
May	81.75	81.75	81.50	81.65	81.72
Aug	80.80	80.80	80.80	80.80	81.10
Sep	80.35	80.35	80.25	80.25	80.55

Est. sales 1,175 contracts; Thursday 1,608;

open interest 9,125 up 36.
 Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
Dec 52.05 52.80 52.05 52.75 52.22
Feb 50.05 50.20 49.70 50.05 49.95
Apr 47.20 47.40 46.95 47.12 47.05
Jun 50.95 50.95 50.70 50.70 50.65
Jly 51.20 51.30 51.00 51.07 51.25
Aug 49.45 49.45 49.50
Oct 44.80 44.85 44.65 44.65 44.60
Dec 44.80 44.80 44.80 44.80 44.75 Est. sales 6,748 contracts; Thursday 7,134; open interest 24,529 off 144.
 Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 63.30 64.45 62.55 64.45 62.45
Mar 62.30 63.45 61.80 63.45 61.45
May 62.10 63.57 61.80 63.57 61.57
Jly 61.27 62.70 61.27 62.70 60.70
Aug 60.20 60.20 60.20 60.20 58.20 Est. sales 3,806 contracts; Thursday 3,068; open interest 8,161 off 16.
 CARLOTS
 DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 127.87 up 2 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 127.72 up 18 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 118.94 down 25 cents, 700-850 lbs. 118.04 down 33 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were not fully established; skinned hams steady; seedless bellies were not fully established; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 103.00; hams 17-20 lbs.103.00, 20-26 lbs. 90.00-96.00, 26-32 lbs. 91.50, 32 lbs. and up 91.50; bellies 12-14 lbs. 53.50, 14-16 lbs. 53.50.

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OMAHA (NOV. 2) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle none; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 1,700; butchers 50 higher, No 1-3 220-270 lb 54.00-54.50, No 2-3 260-280 lb 53.00-54.00; sows 25 percent, under 500 lb 1.00-1.50 higher, over 500 lb firm, No 1-3 350-500 lb 47.25 48.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 50.00-50.50.

Sheep none.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Sharply higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Higher.

American Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed mixed in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Dollar - Slightly lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Mixed.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1/2 to 1 3/4, soybeans down 3 1/2 to up 1, wheat up 2 1/2 to 4 1/4 and oats unchanged to up 1/2.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 2) UPI - An international treaty to combat drugs will take effect in 10 days, easing the extradition of traffickers and lifting the veil of secrecy that has hidden their profits from authorities, American and U.N. officials said Friday.

The drug enforcement treaty is aimed at creating an international network of laws that will allow the war on drugs to be fought without the restrictions of national borders.

Attorney General Dick Thornburgh called the U.N. Convention Against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances ''the single most important treaty in the area of drug law enforcement ever undertaken.''

The treaty will take effect Nov. 11, traditionally celebrated in the United States as Armistice Day, or Veterans Day.

''November 11th this year is anything but an Armistice Day,'' Thornburgh told reporters at the United Nations. ''It is a worldwide declaration of war on those engaged in drug trafficking around the globe.''

U.N. officials said 26 countries and the Soviet Byelorussian Republic have ratified the convention, while 62 others have signed it and are awaiting ratification.

But several key countries involved in drug trafficking and money laundering have not approved the treaty, including Colombia, Peru and Panama. Bolivia, one of the major coca producers in South America, ratified the treaty Aug. 20.

Margaret Anstee, coordinator of U.N. anti-drug activities, said she expects the nations who signed the treaty to ratify it, which will increase pressure on other countries to join the anti-drug network.

Nations that ratify the treaty are obligated to pass legislation that would criminalize each step in the drug process - from the production to the laundering of profits.

A crucial element in the treaty is the requirement that bank secrecy laws be strictly curtailed. Participating countries are required to establish methods for tracing and confiscating money and property obtained through drug trafficking. Thornburgh said such cooperation would overcome the biggest problem faced by drug authorities: finding and freezing the spoils of the drug war.

Among the other legal requirements included in the pact are: eliminating so-called safe havens for drug traffickers by allowing extradition; controlling access to chemicals needed to produce drugs, notably cocaine; and increasing cooperation between nations in investigations by sharing evidence.

Participating countries would require commercial ships and planes to take steps to ensure that their vessels are not being used without their knowledge for the transportof drugs.

The treaty also would introduce on an international level an investigative technique, known as ''controlled delivery,'' that permits illegal drugs and money to pass through a country so the shipment could be traced to its final destination.

Anstee said the treaty is a statement by the world community that it will no longer tolerate ''the misery, degradation and death being inflicted by drug traffickers on an international scale.''

Despite the optimism expressed in the treaty, Thornburgh acknowledged that the United States and other governments are losing ground to drug cartels, which he said are among ''the most highly sophisticated enterprises the world have ever seen.''

''Although the international community is scoring an increasing number of

successes in this war on drugs, our combined efforts have not kept pace with the international drug cartels,'' Thornburgh said.

The 26 nations that have ratified the treaty are: the Bahamas, China, Nigeria, Senegal, Bahrain, the United States, Germany, Chile, Ecuador, India, Ghana, Mexico, United Arab Emirates, Jordan, Nicaragua, Qatar, Cyprus, Canada, Togo, Spain, Bolivia, Uganda, Paraguay, Bhutan, Tunisia and Bangladesh.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 2) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.45 1/4-2.55 1/4 up 3.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.84 1/4- 5.94 1/2 off 3 1/4 to 3 1/2.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.18 1/4-2.31 1/4 up 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.33 1/4 up 1/2.

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(For Friday)

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1043.2
Thursday	1039.9
Week ago	1055.0
Month ago	1082.0
Year ago	1090.6
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1025.5

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UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 2) UPI - The United States has asked U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to try to stop Iraq's ''inhumane treatment'' of third-country nationals and foreign diplomats, a high- ranking American official said Friday.

The official told reporters after a meeting with Perez de Cuellar that foreigners detained in Iraq and Kuwait live under ''difficult and dramatic

conditions,'' suffering from a lack of food and basic services.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Perez de Cuellar is carrying out quietly his efforts to convince the government of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to improve living conditions of foreign hostages, some of whom are being used as shields in strategic areas against any attacks by the U.S.-led multinational forces in the Persian Gulf.

He said the discussions centered on a request contained in last week's Security Council resolution that holds Iraq responsible for war damage and human rights violations.

The 15-nation council asked Perez de Cuellar to seek guarantees from Iraq regarding the safety and well-being of the hostages, particularly the provision of food, water and other personal needs.

The official refused to divulge specifics of the talks. He said Saddam has rejected every request made by the U.N. leader to send a personal envoy to Baghdad to negotiate the release of hostages and to send food convoys to them.

''Iraq has persisted in stonewalling (the requests) and continues its inhumane treatment of third-country nationals and diplomatic personnel,'' the official said.

He also declined to say how long the diplomats remaining in the U.S., British and French embassies in Kuwait City can hold out.

''Conditions there are very inhumane,'' he said. ''They operate in very difficult situation in terms of food and basic services.''

For security reasons, the three governments have not revealed the number of diplomats still working there. A great number of foreigners have left Iraq and Kuwait since the Iraqi Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and it is estimated that about 2,000 Westerners and Japanese are still detained in the two countries.

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DETROIT (NOV. 2) UPI - Ford Motor Co. and General Motors Corp. said Friday they will lay off more than 50,000 workers at U.S. car and truck plants in a series of pre-Thanksgiving production cuts analysts blamed on auto dealers' cautious inventory policies.

All the layoffs will be temporary - except for 450 workers at GM's Tarrytown, N.Y., minivan plant, whose jobs are being eliminated. The plant will continue to operate with staffing at 2,850. In all, industry leader GM said, production cutbacks would idle 37,231 U.S. workers before Thanksgiving. Ford announced plans to idle 14,100.

Chrysler Corp., the No. 3 domestic automaker, said it had no production rollbacks or layoffs planned, but a spokesman noted such decisions were made on a week-to-week basis. The production cuts and layoffs announced by the nation's two biggest automakers caught auto industry analysts a bit off guard.

"Given the strong sales of the recent past that's (the layoffs) a little bit surprising," said Michael Bowyer, analyst at Duff & Phelps, a Chicago-based investment rating firm. "But apparently the dealers are being very cautious in their inventories, so you see these layoffs." Pointing to GM slating "relatively more layoffs than Ford," Bowyer said: "That's because GM still is relatively less lean than Ford."

Assessing the business outlook for automakers, Bowyer said that "we look at the next three quarters as being pretty soft. That's going to result in the continuation of severe price competition exemplified by the incentives you're seeing currently." He said he expected incentives to continue to be offered.

James Alexandre, industry analyst for Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette in New York said the incentives have been responsible for the comparatively strong sales. The slackening of dealer orders and the consequent production cutbacks indicate dealers are less than confident incentives can continue luring people to their showrooms, Alexandre said.

GM said it will reduce production from two shifts to one at its Arlington, Texas, car plant beginning next Monday. The 3,700 workers will alternate weeks of work - with the night shift working one week and the day shift the next.

Both shifts will work the week of Nov. 19, but the single shift operation will resume the following week and continue indefinitely, a GM spokeswoman said. Other GM layoffs will affect 1,080 workers at the company's Corvette plant in Bowling Green, Ky., which will close next week and reopen Nov. 12.

GM's Fairfax assembly plant in Kansas City, Kan., will be closed for two weeks beginning Monday, affecting about 3,000 workers. GM's Oklahoma City assembly plant also will be closed for two weeks beginning Monday, affecting about 5,000 workers.

The company's Tarrytown, N.Y., minivan plant will close for two weks begining Monday. The company said 450 of the plant's 3,300 employees will be laid off permanently. The remaining 2,850 will return to work after the two-week layoff.

GM also will close its Van Nuys, Calif., plant during the weeks of Nov. 5 and Nov. 12, temporarily idling 3,300 workers. Another 5,000 workers are affected by a two-week layoff at GM's Wentzville, Mo., plant, which began this week and continues next week. In addition, GM is closing its Allante assembly plant in Cadillac, Mich., idling 51 workers for two or three weeks.

GM's Flint, Mich., truck plant closed Monday and will remained closed until Nov. 26, keeping 4,000 workers off the job. Two other truck plants, in Fort Wayne, Ind., and the Pontiac East facility in Michigan, will close Monday and remain closed until Nov. 19, idling 5,800 workers. The company's Moraine, Ohio truck plant will shut down Monday for one week, idling 3,000 employees.

At Ford, 1,200 workers began a two-week layoff at the company's Norfolk, Va., F-series truck plant. Ford also said it will close the Wayne, Mich., truck plant for one week, beginning Monday, idling 1,400 hourly workers. Ford also will close three car plants next week - Atlanta, Chicago and Kansas City - idling 5,700 workers for one week.

Also shutting down will be Ford's Loraine, Ohio, car and truck plants, for two weeks beginning Monday, idling 4,200 workers, and the Louisville, Ky., truck plant, for one week beginning Nov. 12, temporarily idling 1,600 workers.

"The main reason is a shortage of what we call 'buildable dealer orders,"' said Ford spokesman Bill Carroll. Rising fuel prices resulting from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait were an "indirect factor," he added.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - A couple of new economic reports today indicate that the weakness that has drained the nation of much of its financial strength has spread and lessened the economy's resistance to recession. The economists based their opinions on a report that showed deterioration of the employment market and another decline of eight-tenths of one percent in the index of leading economic indicators.

Striking union workers attacked strike-breakers at the New York Daily News early today, as the bitter walkout entered a second week. The striking unions say a purchase offer is still on the table as a possible solution, despite management's quick refusal to consider it yesterday.

British Prime Minister Thatcher today named Education Minister John MacGregor to replace Geoffrey Howe as her ruling party's floor leader in the lower house of Parliament. Conservative Party leaders are working to patch the damage from Howe's resignation. Thatcher is avoiding the controversy at a country retreat.

Police and news reports from India say at least 68 people were killed today in fighting over a disputed holy site. The violence came as about 10-thousand people stormed barricades and began trying to build a temple in north India. Those killed today include 18 Hindus shot by police.

An apparent thawing in relations between Zibabwe and South Africa. Zimbabwe has released a South African woman serving a 12- year prison sentence for spying on the African National Congress. Zimbabwe's president is one of the

more consistent foes of apartheid among the southern African leaders.

East Germany's fallen communist leader is NOT interested in repentance. Erich Honecker says in an interview published today in a London newspaper that he feels NO guilt for the hundreds of Germans shot trying to cross the Berlin Wall. But Honecker is bitter, blaming Soviet President Gorbachev for betraying Communism and anger at the speed in which Germans have embracing the West.

Nelson Mandela is accusing right-wing elements in South Africa's security forces of trying to halt negotiations to dismantle apartheid. The black nationalist leader told a crowd in Malaysia today that ''silent vigilantes'' have been trained to ambush and kill innocent men, women and children.

Jurors in Houston have begun deliberations in a seven-Million-dollar lawsuit filed against a priest and the Roman Catholic Church. Debbie McCorvey claims in her suit that a priest forced her into a sexual relationship and fathered her child. Church officials claim McCorvey consented to the relationship.

The Midwest is enjoying Indian summer today, with temperatures soaring and residents heading outdoors. Elsewhere, a winter storm is chilling the western mountains, with snow blanketing the Rocky Mountains in one of the first severe storms of the season. Freezing rain fell in northern Maine, icing roads.

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#90306u1463 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) UPI - The Justice Department said Friday that an administrative law judge will review and application for a Joint Operating Agreement between two California newspapers.

The application was filed July 13, 1988 by Morris Newspapers, which publishes the daily, paid-circulation Manteca Bulletin, and by Raymus Development & Sales Inc., which distributes the Manteca News free on Wednesdays and publishes a paid-circulation edition Friday.

Attorney General Dick Thornburgh signed an order calling for the hearing, which he said was needed to resolve disputed issues over whether the Manteca News is a "failing newspaper" as defined by the Newspaper Preservation Act.

The act allows the attorney general to grant a limited exemption from the antitrust laws so that newspapers can enter into JOA's, but only when at least one of the newspapers involved is in danger of going out of business.

Under the proposed arrangement, an agency controlled by Morris would become responsible for advertising and circulation for both papers, but each publication would continue to have separate editorial staffs.

After a review of the documents provided by the applicants, the Justice

Department's Antitrust Division recommened on Aug. 13 that the application be denied without a hearing. Friday, Thornburgh ordered that a hearing be held in Manteca and that an assistant attorney general appoint the presiding administrative law judge.

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#90306u1471 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	66 1-2	off	3-8
AT&T Company	34 7-8	up	1-8
BCE Inc	32 3-4	up	3-8
Bell Atlantic	52 3-4	off	1-8
BellSouth Corp	54	up	3-8
Exxon Corp	49 5-8	off	1-8
Ford Motor Co	26 7-8	off	1-2
Genl Electric	53 1-8	up	3-4
General Motors	37 1-4	up	3-8
GTE Corp	29 1-2	up	5-8
IBM Corp	108 3-8	up 1	1-8
Mobil Oil Corp	59 5-8	up 1	7-8
Nynex Corp	69 3-4	up 1	1-4
Pac Gas & Elec	24 1-4	up	1-4
Pacific Telesis	45 5-8	up	3-8
Phila Electric	16 7-8	unch	
Sears Roebuck	25 5-8	up	3-4
Southern Co	26 7-8	up	1-2
Sthwestern Bell	55 7-8	up 1	
US West Inc	37 7-8	up	3-8

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#90306u1475 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2490.84	up 35.89
20 Trans	842.46	up 10.54
15 Utils	215.92	up 0.31
65 Stocks	879.43	up 10.08

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#90306u1483 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

KISKA ISLAND, AK (NOV. 2) UPI - Rescued by fisherman, a Seattle man was on his way to dry land Friday after crash-landing his seaplane in Alaska waters just short of accomplishing his around-the-world goal.

Tom Casey, 53, was uninjured when engine failure forced him down 22 miles west of Kiska Island, in the western Aleutian Islands, some 1,450 miles southwest of Anchorage, Coast Guard spokeswoman Pamela Foss said.

Casey was attempting to become the first floatplane pilot to circle the globe by landing only in water. It was unknown whether Casey would attempt to continue on.

He was nearing the end of his adventure when he went down Thursday. After the crash-landing, Casey flipped on an emergency locator signal and waited for help. His plane, though damaged, did not sink.

The fishing vessel Judy B reached Casey, cold but unhurt in his downed plane, Thursday night. The Coast Guard Sherman arrived Friday. Foss said Casey's plane was hoisted out of the water by the Judy B and he and the aircraft were being taken to an Air Force base on nearby Shemya Island.

The single-engine Cessna 206, equipped with floats that enabled it to land in water, had just flown the longest leg of its journey - from Japan to Attu, the westernmost island in the Aleutians - when Casey took off for Dutch Harbor at the eastern end of the Aleutians but made it only 145 miles.

Casey carried a raft and food, but no survival equipment of any kind, Foss said.

Casey left Seattle May 20, initially intending to fly west around the world, but his trip stopped in Alaska when Soviet officials denied him permission to include their territory in his trip. So he turned around and went the other way. He was due to return to complete his around-the- world floatplane trip Sunday in Seattle.

Foss said she didn't know what Casey planned to do or whether his plane could be flown.

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#90306u1486 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks - 9,280,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,899,000,390
Bonds - $3,100,000
1990 to date - $620,919,000

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#90306u1489 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.06	up 0.22
10 Public Utils	91.03	up 0.12
10 Industrials	87.10	up 0.32

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#90306u1491 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 19 points higher to ten points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	74.86	75.17	74.80	74.98	74.79
Mar	74.80	75.10	74.70	74.86	74.80
May	75.00	75.25	74.98	75.08	75.00
Jly	75.00	75.30	75.00	75.05	75.01
Oct	68.20	68.20	68.20	68.05	68.10
Dec	66.25	66.30	66.20	66.28	66.28
Mar	67.10	67.10	67.10	67.15	67.25

Estimated sales: 3,300 contracts
Open interest: 48,561 up 1,583
The World spot average: 71.38

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#90306u1493 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Friday - $35,250,000
1990 to date - $9,373,408,000

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#90306u1498 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2456.44	2501.73	2447.28	2490.84	up 35.89
20 Trans	831.18	847.45	826.37	842.46	up 10.54
15 Utils	215.04	217.30	213.34	215.92	up 0.31
65 Stock	869.01	883.96	864.62	879.43	up 10.08

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

Friday	Thursday
Indus 21,361,400	17,447,800
Trans 3,327,300	3,393,100

Utils	6,158,400	4,015,600
65 Stock	30,847,100	24,856,500

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.06	up 0.22
10 Public Utils	91.03	up 0.12
10 Industrials	87.10	up 0.32

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 127.83 off 0.04.

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#90306u1520 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	289.98	up 1.08
High Technology	292.51	up 5.39
Capital Goods	303.02	off 0.67
Consumer Goods	360.68	up 2.31
Service	618.46	up 7.29
Retail	892.96	up 12.67
Financial	341.37	off 1.72
Natural Resources	224.58	off 1.07
Housing-Const-Land	228.85	up 0.99

There was a gain of 4 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS		
New England	371.08	up 2.74
Mid Atlantic	382.10	up 3.05
No Central	366.25	up 2.81
So Atlantic	782.04	up 4.81
So Central	291.43	up 1.18
Mountain	108.69	up 2.01
Pacific	319.51	up 2.67
Foreign	221.44	off 1.26

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#90306u1522 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks	-	168,700,000 shares
1990 to date	-	33,735,006,782
Warrants	-	1,577,900
1990 to date	-	214,903,000

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#90306u1525 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 290.02, low 288.73, close 289.98, up 1.08.

There was a gain of 4 cents in the average share price.

Volume 9,280,000 shares, compared with 10, 910,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	3
New Lows	57
Advances	308
Declines	231
Unchanged	220
Total Issues	759

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#90306u1536 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - President Bush's announcement that he will visit U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf at Thanksgiving kicked a critical prop out from under the dollar Friday, prompting an unusual late flurry of selling. A couple of fairly negative economic indicators, pointing more clearly to the likelihood a U.S. recession, also pressured the currency.

Currency traders said the president's disclosure of his travel plans gave the market a green light to aggressively sell the dollar. Players had hesitated to do that earlier, especially before a weekend, fearing conflict might break out in the Gulf and give the dollar a safe-haven boost.

"The rationale was that Bush was going to the Middle East for Thanksgiving and that there would not be a war between now and then," said Charles Spence, a currency vice president for First Interstate Bank Corp. in Los Angeles.

Audrey McNiff, a vice president for corporate foreign exchange trading with the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp., confirmed that and added that the week saw "pressure being taken out of the Gulf situation" in general.

Late in the New York trading session the dollar was quoted at 1.4935 German marks, off more than a pfennig from 1.5045 marks Thursday, and 127.80 Japanese yen, down nearly three yen from 130.55.

U.S. economic news continued negative, with 68,000 jobs lost last month even though the national unemployment rate stayed at 5.7 percent. The index of leading economic indicators fell 0.8 percent, boding recession.

But those numbers weren't quite as grim as some players had expected, and the dollar managed to bounce in early trading. Those gains, though, were wiped out by a rash of dollar-selling in a late, thin market.

Barclay's Bank trader David Jaques said he believed the dollar's abrupt fall was triggered by heavy speculative selling. McNiff could not confirm that, but noted that "the New York Friday afternoon market is notoriously thin and vulnerable to speculators."

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2600 Swiss francs, off from 1.2730; 5.0160 French francs, down from 5.0435; and 1,127 Italian lire, off from 1,127.75. The pound climbed to $1.9590 from $1.9450.

In Europe, the dollar closed lower against most major currencies in reaction to the poor U.S. economic reports and on the continuing effects in currency markets of the German central bank rate hike.

But analyst Mark Brett of Barclays de Zoete Wedd, an investment bank, said the dollar showed resilience because traders were reluctant to be short of the U.S. currency on the weekend given Gulf uncertainties.

In London, the pound gained against the dollar after the government minimized the political fallout from the resignation Thursday of Deputy Prime Minister Sir Geoffrey Howe from the British government. The pound closed at $1.9535 vs. $1.9525 Thursday.

The dollar closed lower in Frankfurt, at 1.5010 German marks against 1.5080. It was still feeling the impact of the Bundesbank's hike of the Lombard rate to 8.5 percent from 8 percent, which took effect Friday. The dollar also fell in Zurich, to 1.2740 Swiss francs vs. 1.2815.

Currency markets reopened Friday in Paris, Brussels and Milan after an All Saint's Day closing Thursday.

In Paris, the dollar closed lower at 5.0390 French francs against 5.0885 on Wednesday. In Brussels, it slipped to 30.99 Belgian francs vs. 31.2350. In Italy it declined to 1,128.50 Italian lire vs. 1,138.40.

Earlier, the dollar plunged against the yen in Tokyo after several economic figures confirmed a pessimistic U.S. economic outlook. It ended at 129.10 yen, down 1.60 yen from 130.70 yen Thursday. "Market sentiment grew negative toward the dollar," said Junpei Ishii, a vice president at Mitsui Taiyo Kobe Bank.

In Zurich, gold closed lower at $376 an ounce vs. $380.50. London gold also slipped, to $375.75 an ounce vs. $380.25.

Silver closed lower in Zurich at $4.15 an ounce vs. $4.20. In London silver was lower at $4.18 an ounce vs. $4.19.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $376.50 an ounce, down from $381.25 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold

at $376.40 an ounce, also off from $381.50.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.18 an ounce, down from $4.245. Comex silver closed at $4.185 an ounce, a decline from $4.256.

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#90306u1557 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Friday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	59,806,584	65	up 1 1/2
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	51,783,524	36 1/8	up 2 7/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	50,884,440	35	up 1 1/2
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	41,808,012	22 7/8	up 1/2
Liz Claiborne	(LIZC)	39,195,720	23 5/8	off 1/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	35,332,320	31 3/4	up 1 1/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	33,003,296	31 1/8	up 5/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	23,535,546	25 1/2	up 1 1/8
Vicorp Restaur	(VRES)	22,867,858	9 3/4	up 3
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	21,583,474	47 7/8	up 1/8

Composite Index 147.60 up 2.65

NMS volume 92,340,704 shares.

Advances	916
Declines	557
Unchanged	1,312
Total	2,785

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#90306u1571 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 2) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Friday - 8,892,000

1990 to date - 2,116,118,000

The market closed higher.

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#90306u1575 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		

($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	29.40-29.45	30.50-30.60
North Sea Brent	34.65-34.70	35.65-35.70
West Texas Intermed	34.00-34.05	35.15-35.20
Light Louisiana Sweet	35.00-35.10	36.15-36.25
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	95.95-96.45	98.80-99.30
No. 2 Heating oil	85.15-85.40	88.15-88.65
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	88.95-89.20	91.55-91.80
No. 2 Heating oil	84.15-84.40	87.15-87.40

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#90306u1582 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Contl Air Hldgs	730,000	2 5/8	off 1/2
Weatherford Inc	419,900	6	up 1/4
Energy Service	377,900	2 3/4	up 1/8
Americus GTE sc	307,300	8 5/8	up 5/8
Americus GTE pr	275,800	20 3/4	up 3/8
Fruit of Loom	252,800	6 3/4	unch
Hasbro Inc	232,600	13 1/4	off 1/8
Epitope Inc	190,000	7 1/2	up 3/8
Inneficient Mkt	181,600	7 1/4	up 1/8
Amdahl Corp	146,500	11 5/8	unch

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	218.10	221.10	217.70	220.50	217.85
Mar	....	....	....	222.65	220.00
Jun	....	....	....	224.95	222.30

Previous day volume: 111 contracts.

Open interest: 1,265 up 17

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	308.40	313.85	308.10	313.20	308.45
Mar	310.75	316.30	310.75	315.75	311.00
Jun	314.75	319.10	313.70	318.85	314.00
Sep	....	322.00	316.50	321.60	316.80

Today's estimated volume: 44,981 contracts.
Open interest: 157,761 up 3,572

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	168.10	170.95	168.05	170.70	168.20
Mar	169.30	172.10	169.30	171.90	169.40
Jun	171.10	172.75	170.75	173.15	170.65

Open interest: 5,310 up 341

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	517.50	525.25	516.25	523.75	517.35
Dec	518.40	527.00	518.40	525.90	519.50
Jan	524.25	529.00	524.25	527.90	521.55

Estimated volume 3,047 contracts.
Open interest: 7,317 up 80

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 2) UPI - New Orleans Saints quarterback Bobby Hebert's request for a Superior Court order to allow him to negotiate a contract with the Los Angeles Raiders was denied Friday by a judge who ruled the issue should be settled by a federal court.

The holdout quarterback is challenging the NFL's free-agent system on entirely new grounds, contending it violates the California Business and Professional Code by preventing Hebert from earning a living with the Raiders.

Prior tests of NFL free agency - which provides for a right of first refusal as well as draft-pick compensation for a club losing a player - took on the league in federal court on the basis of antitrust principles.

But Superior Court Judge John Zebrowski denied Hebert's request for a preliminary injunction, ruling the NFL is governed by federal interstate law that cannot be superceded by state law.

''If I make a ruling that the Raiders can recruit Mr. Hebert, regardless of NFL law, then why can't the (Pittsburgh) Steelers do likewise?'' Zebrowski told Hebert's attorney, Louis Meisinger.

The judge said such a ruling would open up the league to being governed by the

laws of various states.

''There has never been a state court decision which has sought to enjoin the rules of a national sports enterprise involving player- management relationship,'' Zebrowski said.

But Meisinger argued that as a California resident - Hebert recently moved to Los Angeles from his native Louisiana - the quarterback's right under the state constitution to earn a living with the team of his choice superceded federal commerce law.

Despite Zebrowski's denial of an immediate injunction, Meisinger told reporters Hebert's case remains alive in state court and said he planned to meet with the quarterback to determine whether to appeal the judge's decision.

The attorney charged the Saints have a grudge against Hebert that has deprived him of earning a living.

Meisinger noted that Saints General Manager Jim Finks recently said the team was not interested in welcoming Hebert back this season, and claimed the Saints earlier turned down a Raider trade offer for the quarterback in exchange for star running back Marcus Allen, or a No. 1 draft choice in 1991 and unspecified draft choices in 1992.

Raider owner Al Davis admitted making a trade offer to the Saints during the summer, but declined to name the Raiders he was offering as trade bait.

It is not known whether the Raiders still want Hebert, especially since quarterback Jay Schroeder has gotten them off to a surprising 6-1 start. The Raiders are named along with the NFL in Hebert's suit.

Challenging the NFL's free-agent agency system - easily the most restrictive in pro sport - is nothing new.

A case involving halfback Freeman McNeil of the New York Jets and several others, including Hebert, is currently pending in federal court. To this point the NFL system has withstood all court tests.

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#90306u1595 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 2) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	5875	up 15
Utd Tel pfA	62 1/4	off 6 7/8
LIL pfI	109	off 6

AtlRch pfA	890	up	5
Loews Corp	79 1/2	up	3 7/8
Vornado Inc	104	up	3 3/8
Marsh & McLennan	71 1/2	up	3 3/8
Lincoln National	34 1/2	up	3 1/4
Disney Walt	95 1/8	up	3 1/8
CNA Financial	54 7/8	up	3 1/8
Nucor Corp	56	up	3

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#90306u1604 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Friday 353.73 up 7.96.

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#90306u1615 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended November 2, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Chase Manhattan	15,978,400	11 1/4	9 3/8	10 5/8	off 3/8
Citicorp	11,844,700	12 3/4	10 3/4	12 5/8	up 1 1/2
Philip Morris	10,387,600	48 5/8	45 3/8	48 3/8	up 1 3/4
South Co	10,286,800	26 7/8	25 1/2	26 7/8	up 1
Unisys Corp	10,165,700	2 3/4	2	2 5/8	up 3/8
Alcan Aluminum	9,347,700	19 1/8	18 1/2	18 3/4	off 1/4
Genl Electric	8,743,500	53 1/8	50	53	up 2 1/2
Ford Motors	8,700,100	30 1/4	22 1/4	26 7/8	off 2 7/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	8,146,900	29 3/8	26 3/4	29 3/8	up 1 1/2
IBM Corp	7,429,300	108 5/8	104 3/4	108 3/8	up 1 1/2
Boeing Co	6,948,600	46 5/8	43 3/8	46	off 1/8
Amer Express	6,361,000	19 7/8	17 5/8	19 3/4	up 1 1/8
PepsiCo	6,207,000	24 3/4	22 3/4	24 3/8	up 5/8
Schering-Plough	6,072,400	48	42 1/8	45	off 2 3/8
AT&T Co	5,846,900	34 7/8	33 1/8	34 3/4	up 1 3/8
Genl Motors	5,842,600	37 7/8	35 5/8	37 1/8	off 1/8
Toys R Us	5,790,500	22 7/8	20 1/2	22 3/4	up 1/2
Bristol Myers	5,735,200	62 1/4	57 3/4	60 5/8	off 1 1/8
Wal-Mart Stores	5,441,300	27 7/8	25 7/8	27 3/4	up 1 1/2
Exxon Corp	5,069,500	50 1/8	47 1/4	49 5/8	up 2 3/8

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#90306u1620 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended November 2, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Continental Air	3,683,400	3 7/8	2 1/2	2 5/8	off 1 1/8
Salomon wtJn	1,186,300	17 7/8	16	16 3/4	off 3/8
Amdahl Corp	1,096,300	11 7/8	10 1/2	11 5/8	up 5/8
ENSCO	1,092,400	3	2 5/8	2 3/4	off 1/4
Fruit of Loom	1,072,500	7 3/8	6 1/2	6 3/4	off 1/2
Denmark K wt	1,040,400	18 3/4	16 7/8	17 7/8	unch
Wang Labs B	1,026,200	3	2 3/4	3	up 1/4
Echo Bay Mn	898,800	11 7/8	10 5/8	11 1/2	up 3/4
Salomon pwtMr	830,300	6 1/8	5	5 1/2	up 3/8
Eksport wt	815,400	9 3/8	8	8 3/4	unch

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#90306u1640 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	336.45	up	5.85	334.36	452.97
Industrial	359.28	up	6.40	357.48	437.60
Finance	332.00	up	5.56	327.98	531.56
Insurance	397.05	up	11.76	387.24	537.52
Utility	457.34	up	7.51	458.68	732.05
Bank	237.59	up	2.34	242.63	434.90
Transport	383.07	up	1.75	378.33	471.43

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 147.60 up 2.65

Industrial Index 142.29 up 2.64

NASDAQ-100 Index 353.73 up 7.96

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#90306u1649 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended November 2, 1990.

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	349,912,000	38 3/4	32 1/8	36 1/8	up 2 7/8
Micrsoft Cp	(MSFT)	248,966,000	65 3/4	62	65	up 1 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	193,433,008	35 1/4	32	35	up 1 1/2

MCI Commun	(MCIC)	164,148,000	31 3/4	29 5/8	31 1/8	up 5/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	161,602,000	32 3/8	28 7/8	31 3/4	up 1 1/4
Costco	(COST)	148,884,000	37 3/4	34 1/4	37 1/4	up 7/8
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	117,398,000	17	15 3/8	16 7/8	up 7/8
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	116,893,000	48 1/4	44	47 7/8	up 1/8
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	108,985,000	24 1/8	20 5/8	22 7/8	up 1/2
US Hlthcare	(USHC)	99,466,504	23 1/4	19 1/8	22 1/8	off 7/8

NMS volume 527,465,000 shares.

Advances	890
Declines	1,165
Unchanged	727
Total	2,782

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	336.66	330.62	336.45	up 5.85
Industrial	359.49	353.14	359.28	up 6.40
Finance	332.34	326.46	332.00	up 5.56
Insurance	397.27	386.00	397.05	up 11.76
Utility	457.97	449.53	457.34	up 7.51
Bank	238.17	234.67	237.59	up 2.34
Transport	384.63	380.35	383.07	up 1.75

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	147.60 up 2.65
Industrial Index	142.29 up 2.64
NASDAQ-100 Index	353.73 up 7.96
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.64 up 0.13
Volume	92,340,704 shares
Advances	916
Declines	557
Unchanged	1,312
Total	2,785

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Largest net changes amoung NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange

and in regional markets in the week ended November 2, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	5875	up 25
Heinz pf	280	off 20
Wlwrth pfA	150	up 18 5/8
Captl Cities	392 1/2	off 14 1/2
Penn Pwr Lt pf	90 1/2	up 11 1/2
Lilly Eli wt	61 1/2	off 9 3/8
McKesn pf	88	off 8
Tyco Labs	37 3/4	off 7 5/8
Square D Co	45	up 7 3/8
Nucor Corp	56	off 7 1/4
Honeywell	88 1/8	up 7 1/8
UTel pfA	62 1/4	off 6 7/8
Wash Post	172 1/2	off 6 1/2
Matsushita El	134	off 6 1/4
Long Isl Lt pfI	109	off 6

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended November 2:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2437.13	2501.73	2400.67	2490.84	up 54.70
20 Trans	837.46	847.45	811.21	842.46	up 5.37
15 Utils	208.88	217.30	207.18	215.92	up 7.23
65 Stocks	862.09	883.96	846.94	879.43	up 17.78

20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

88.96 89.06 88.84 89.06 unchanged

Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

127.90 128.23 127.83 127.83 up 0.05

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended November 2.

30 Indus 20 Transp 15 Utils

Monday	2430.20	off	5.94	827.11	off	9.98	208.38	off	0.31
Tuesday	2448.02	up	17.82	825.07	off	2.04	210.95	up	2.57
Wednesday	2442.33	off	5.69	822.30	off	2.77	213.28	up	2.33
Thursday	2454.95	up	12.62	831.92	up	9.62	215.61	up	2.33
Friday	2490.84	up	35.89	842.46	up	10.54	215.92	up	0.31
Net Change		up	54.70		up	5.37		up	7.23

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Stock exchange sales for the week ended November 2.

New York Stock Exchange: Stocks - 771, 474,930 shares, compared with 719,883,860 a week earlier and with 740,965,720 the year before. Warrants - 5,456,900 compared with 4,426,100 a week earlier and with 5,254,200 the year before. Bonds - $235,883,000 compared with $196,538,000 a week earlier and with $186,533,000 the year before.

American Stock Exchange: Stocks - 47,233, 625 shares, compared with 52,916,215 a week earlier and with 57,286,175 the year before. Bonds - $15,324,000 compared with $16,796, 000 a week earlier and with $16,120,000 the year before.

Midwest Stock Exchange: Stocks - 43,928, 000 shares, compared with 43,448,000 a week earlier and with 53,189,000 the year before.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending November 2.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	88.96	89.06	88.84	89.06	unchanged
10 Utils	91.09	91.09	90.81	91.03	off 0.02
10 Indus	86.83	87.10	86.78	87.10	up 0.02

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending November 2:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change

400 Ind	364.85	355.45	364.85	up	6.35
20 Trans	215.25	209.82	215.25	up	2.41
40 Utils	144.12	137.54	144.12	up	5.89
40 Fncl	20.41	18.80	20.41	up	1.09
500 Stock	311.85	301.88	311.85	up	7.14

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended November 2:

	High	Low	Close	Net change	
Composite	170.07	164.00	170.07	up	3.36
Industrial	210.04	203.37	210.40	up	3.19
Transportation	130.39	126.15	130.39	up	0.88
Utilities	90.63	87.17	90.63	up	3.03
Finance	108.90	102.23	108.90	up	3.63

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended November 2:

High	Low	Last	Net change	
291.45	286.93	289.93	off	1.41

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(NOV. 2) UPI - Largest net changes amoung AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended November 2, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Kansas G & El pf	89 1/2	up 20 1/2
Ford Canada	99	off 8
Ruddick pf	45	off 7 3/4
Celutel Inc	3 1/2	off 4 1/8
Fst Aust Prm	5 5/8	off 3 3/8
MPL pfB	81 1/2	up 3 1/4
Amrcs f pr	25	off 3 1/4
Amrcs bm ut	59	off 3
Carolina P L pf	57 7/8	up 2 7/8
Amrcs unp pr	60 1/4	off 2 3/4

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(NOV. 2) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	21	12	6
New lows	94	135	141

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	1,083	128,666,400
Declines	454	21,231,400
Unchanged	448	18,802,200
Total	1,985	168,700,000

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(NOV. 2) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	3
New lows	57

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	308	4,871,600
Declines	231	2,952,100
Unchanged	220	1,456,300
Total	759	9,280,000

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(NOV. 2) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week
By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Nov 2, 1990	15	263	320	461	207	988
Oct 26, 1990	12	237	345	420	208	973
Nov 3, 1989	36	98	384	425	188	997

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(NOV. 2) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week
By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total

Nov 2, 1990	34	510	1013	883	274	2170
Oct 26, 1990	45	432	809	1079	272	2160
Nov 3, 1989	91	175	1055	797	288	2140
Nov 4, 1988	113	79	779	1047	344	2170

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	170.07	168.04	170.07	up 2.48
Industrial	210.04	207.84	210.04	up 2.80
Transport	130.39	128.92	130.39	up 1.57
Utility	90.63	89.79	90.63	up 0.78
Finance	108.90	105.95	108.90	up 3.68

Equivalent to a gain of 43 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 168,700,000 shares.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) UPI - Presidential adviser Cooper Evans, who devoted a large part of his time to encouraging farm trade with the Soviet Union, is leaving the White House to return to farming fulltime.

During an interview Friday, Evans said he expected his successor also would be immersed in trade matters, but with a different issue - the outcome of trade reform talks now nearing conclusion.

Negotiations repeatedly has snagged on the question of removal of trade-distorting subsidies and trade barriers.

''In the months ahead, that almost has to be the major issue,'' Evans said, either in seeking congressional approval of a pact or responding to failure.

''If negotiations fall apart ... what do you do to ensure the United States can compete in a world where use of import barriers and export subsidies are the norm, not the exception?''

Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter has suggested the possibility of putting a more aggressive, export edge to farm policies if the talks founder. Congress included in its deficit-cutting bill some provisions to shelter agriculture if

there is no trade treaty.

Evans has a long-standing interest in trade development. During three terms in Congress in the mid-1980s, he experimented with ideas for improving U.S. sales such as taking advantage of barter.

During nearly two years as agriculture adviser to President Bush, Evans sought to expand the volume of trade and the items sold to the Soviet Union. He was viewed as playing an instrumental role in a sale of surplus butter to the Kremlin one year ago and a Soviet decision to buy a large quantity of chicken parts.

In addition, Evans has advocated extension of export credit guarantees to the Kremlin. The Bush administration has made such a step contingent on Soviet codification of emigration reforms, a requirement Evans supports.

Evans, 66, said he decided a few months ago to return to farming. He has 1,800 acres of land in Grundy County in east-central Iowa, and a 700-acre cattle operation in Sullivan County in north-central Missouri.

''I'm not one that holds that one should stay forever in jobs like this,'' he said. ''The whole idea was I want to get back to production agriculture.''

Speculation has arisen in recent days over three possible contenders to succeed Evans, who plans to leave Nov. 9. They include an agriculture lobbyist who worked for Vice President Dan Quayle when he was a senator.

Evans said other candidates might arise although he pooh-poohed the idea, raised by one observer, the slot might be held for a defeated Republican congressman.

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(NOV. 3) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

Boxing

Former heavyweight champ Joe Frazier won a $77,000 verdict against a Florida company that exploited his name without permission. The eight- member federal civil jury deliberated nine hours Wednesday and Thursday before finding South Florida Cruises Inc. of Fort Lauderdale used Frazier's name in ads without his permission.

College

Auditors cannot account for $100,000 in University of Pittsburgh athletic booster funds, the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette reports. The newspaper also said

the school discovered a previously unknown bank account at an unnamed Beaver County bank. Auditors are trying to determine why numerous checks made payable to the university or the booster club, known as the Golden Panthers, were deposited into the mystery account.

Cycling

The Tour of Mexico begins Saturday in Monterrey. Raul Alcala, winner of the Tour de Trump, is favored to win the 18-day race featuring cyclists from 15 nations.

Fencing

Tamir Bloom, a Penn sophomore from Millburn, N.J., became the second U.S. fencer to win a gold medal at the 1990 Junior Pan American Championships at Rosario, Argentina. He defeated Paris Inostrosa of Chile 5-1, 5-6, 6-5 in men's epee. Ben Millett of San Francisco finished fourth and Chris Swope of Minneapolis 10th.

Football

The NFL is prepared to move the 1993 Super Bowl from Phoenix if Arizona voters fail Tuesday to approve a Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, The Washington Post reports. Voters have two referendums from which to choose. If either passes, King's birthday becomes an observed holiday in Arizona. That would leave Montana and New Hampshire as the only states without the holiday.

Golf

Blaine McCallister shot a 6-under-par 66 for a one-stroke lead over fellow PGA Tour members David Edwards and Calvin Peete in the opening round of the Mexican Open. ... Nancy Brown fired a 6-under-par 66, recording a two-shot lead over three players after one round of the $550,000 Mazda Japan Classic.

Hockey

Chicago goaltender Ed Belfour was named NHL Rookie of the Month for October after compiling a 7-3 record with a 1.92 goals-against average. He edged Pittsburgh wing Jaromir Jagr, New York Rangers goalie Mike Richter and Los Angeles defenseman Rob Blake.

Soccer

Those fans responsible for the rampage following Wednesday's European Championship qualifier have been permanently banned from German stadiums. The German Football Association announced the move in the wake of the turmoil in downtown Luxembourg after a listless 3-2 victory by the World Cup champions over the host country.

Yachting

The Soviet Union's first entry in the America's Cup will be sponsored by the nation's most familiar export - Stolichnaya vodka. The company announced it will be the lead sponsor of the Red Star Syndicate in the 1992 regatta in San Diego.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 2) UPI - A jury was urged Friday to award $800 million in profits made by Lockheed Corp. on its C-5B cargo plane to three former employees of the defense giant who were allegedly fired for reporting flaws in the aircraft.

"This was one of the most profitable contracts in Lockheed's history," Herbert Hafif, an attorney who has represented a number of plaintiffs in other defense "whistle-blower" cases, told the jury in his closing arguments. "You have to speak with a voice that will ring out through the United States," he said as the six-week Superior Court trial wound down.

Hafif said the company did not recall the C-5B despite alleged problems with melt spots, cracking and inconsistencies in the mainframe of the plane, which was first delivered to military in 1986.

He said the $800 million damage figure represents the profit that Lockheed realized from the production of the first five C-5B's, which can carry up to 345 soldiers and is being widely used in the Persian Gulf. The case may go to the jury as early as Monday, following the conclusion of final arguments.

Hafif is representing Terry Shielke, an auditor at Lockheed for 15 years, and Clyde Jones, a senior quality-assurance worker who worked at the company for 35 years. The other plaintiff is Thomas Benecke.

The trio has alleged that, while the first planes were in production, they began receiving complaints from workers that drilling shavings from the plane's mainframe - the core of the aircraft's strength - had different consistencies.

In order to form the mainframe, which supports the aircraft's 222- foot wingspan, the metal is heated to near-melting temperatures. But problems in the process led to cracks and inconsistencies, the plaintiffs said.

Their attorneys have argued that since Lockheed was making the planes on a fixed-price contract, recalling the mainframes would have led to cost overruns similar to those on Lockheed's predecessorplane, the C-5A.

The trio have alleged they were fired in October 1985 after going to Lawrence Kitchen, then the company's chief executive officer, with their complaints about problems with the strength of the C-5B's mainframe. Lockheed officials denied the allegations during the trial.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Thu	Fri	Thu
Argntn austral	.000185	.000185	5404.00	5409.00
Australia dlr	.7790	.7838	1.2837	1.2758
Austria schill	.0948	.0937	10.55	10.67
Belgium franc-c	.0323	.0320	30.94	31.25
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0094	.0097	106.51	103.31
Britain pound	1.9585	1.9440	.5106	.5144
Britain 1-mo	1.9488	1.9344	.5131	.5170
Britain 3-mo	1.9317	1.9175	.5177	.5215
Britain 6-mo	1.9106	1.8959	.5234	.5275
Canada dollar	.8588	.8587	1.1644	1.1645
Canada 1-mo	.8558	.8555	1.1685	1.1689
Canada 3-mo	.8498	.8495	1.1768	1.1772
Canada 6-mo	.8419	.8418	1.1878	1.1880
Chile peso-f	.003342	.003342	299.19	299.19
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001879	.001880	532.14	531.97
Denmark krne	.1739	.1730	5.7500	5.7815
Ecudr sucre-z	.001182	.001180	846.30	847.28
Egypt pound	.3640	.3640	2.7474	2.7474
Finlnd mrkka	.2795	.2779	3.5780	3.5990
France franc	.1995	.1983	5.0125	5.0435
France 1-mo	.1992	.1980	5.0201	5.0512
France 3-mo	.1985	.1973	5.0371	5.0680
France 6-mo	.1975	.1963	5.0623	5.0930
Greece drach	.006623	.006584	150.98	151.88
Hollnd guildr	.5942	.5896	1.6830	1.6961
HongKong dlr	.1283	.1283	7.7968	7.7970
India rupee	.0557	.0555	17.95	18.01
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000539	1856.00	1856.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7835	1.7755	0.5607	0.5632

Israel shekel	.5048	.5058	1.9810	1.9770
Italy lira	.000891	.000887	1122.00	1127.75
Japan yen	.007829	.007663	127.73	130.50
Japan 1-mo	.007830	.007663	127.72	130.50
Japan 3-mo	.007827	.007665	127.77	130.46
Japan 6-mo	.007827	.007675	127.76	130.30
Jordan dinar	1.5579	1.5579	.6419	.6419
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000344	.000344	2903.00	2903.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6095	.6083	1.6407	1.6439
Norway krne	.1704	.1705	5.8700	5.8650
Pakistn rupee	.0462	.0462	21.64	21.64
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	428,475	428,475
P'pnes peso-z	.0364	.0364	27.46	27.51
Portugl escud	.007581	.007543	131.91	132.57
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5862	.5860	1.7060	1.7065
S.Africa rand	.3955	.3938	2.5286	2.5391
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010589	.010554	94.44	94.75
Sweden krona	.1789	.1781	5.5910	5.6155
Switzrl franc	.7930	.7855	1.2610	1.2730
Switzrl 1-mo	.7927	.7852	1.2615	1.2735
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7923	.7847	1.2622	1.2744
Switzrl 6-mo	.7910	.7836	1.2643	1.2762
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0373	26.77	26.78
Turkey lira	.000365	.000364	2738.00	2747.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0204	.0204	49.00	49.00
Germany mark	.6698	.6645	1.4930	1.5050
Germany 1-mo	.6695	.6642	1.4936	1.5056
Germany 3-mo	.6684	.6632	1.4960	1.5078
Germany 6-mo	.6665	.6615	1.5003	1.5117
Yugosl dinar	.0972	.0963	10.29	10.38

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Friday as supplied by NASD.

Volume 112,654,000

Advances	1,089
Declines	693
Unchanged	2,438
Total	4,220

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(NOV. 2) UPI - After a quiet week in the Persian Gulf, oil fell more than $1 a barrel Friday on the market's perception that a Middle East war won't break out soon and that supplies are currently adequate.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for December delivery was down $1.17 from Thursday to $34 a barrel, which was, however, 99 cents higher than a week earlier.

Friday's decline helped fuel a rally on the New York Stock Exchange where the Dow Industrials index of blue chip stocks jumped 35.89 points to 2490.84.

Except for Monday when WTI rose $1.44 after a Soviet mission to Iraq failed to make any progress toward peace, prices drifted up and down during the uneventful week in response to technical limits laid down in previous sessions and varying perceptions of supply and demand.

''Nothing happened all week as far as military action in Kuwait is concerned and the general perception is that nothing is going to happen until after the (Nov. 6) election,'' said Joe Miller of Shearson Lehman Hutton's International Energy Desk in New York.

''Most people don't anticipate anything will happen this weekend and with that we saw some liquidation of buy positions in one of the most boring sessions in recent weeks,'' said Bob Jonke of Cargill Investor Services, New York.

''Even with prices falling more than $1, it was uneventful. There was no fresh news (from the Middle East) and there was nothing to justify prices moving higher,'' Jonke said.

Steve Platt, senior energy analyst with Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. in Chicago, noted that President Bush appeared to soften his warlike stance with statements this week, including one that he would be willing to meet Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The trader also noted that Gen. H. Norman Schwartzkopf, commander of U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia, told the New York Times in an interview that while war could erupt ''anytime,'' he did not expect military action soon.

Schwartzkopf added that Saudi oil fields were virtually immune to attack by Iraqi forces that have occupied neighboring Kuwait since the Aug. 2 invasion.

The Energy Department also reported Thursday that the four-week average of crude, gasoline and heating oil supplies rose last week over the prior week although the oil industry's American Petroleum Institute reported late Tuesday that crude stocks dropped last week for the seventh week in a row.

''Many times our figures differ,'' said Jonathan Cogan of the department's Energy Information Administration.

While there ''probably has been some technical selling'' based on the market's previous highs and lows, Platt said, ''I think the fundamentals are providing the basis for what the market has been doing - reflecting the underlying supply-demand situation drying up some of the panic buying.''

Home heating oil for December delivery ended the day on the Merc down 2.95 cents from Thursday to 87.42 cents a gallon, a drop of 2.55 cents on the week.

Perhaps influenced by the Energy Department's report of a rise in supplies, December unleaded gasoline fell 3.09 cents to 89.21 cents a gallon.

Gasoline was the week's strong performer, however, gaining 3.23 cents on the week even with Friday's loss.

The American Petroleum Institute reported Tuesday that the nation's gasoline stocks fell 2.2 million barrels last week to 220.4 million barrels.

In addition, there were reports Wednesday of refinery problems in Venezuela, which supplies gasoline to the United States.

Ashland Oil Inc. Chairman John Hall also told a meeting of Wall Street security analysts Wednesday night that the higher prices since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait would lessen gasoline demand this winter and he expected stocks to remain at their current level even though imports would decline.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was down $1 from Thursday to $34.65 a barrel, $1.65 higher than the previous Friday.

United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - declined $1.10 to $29.40 a barrel, a 95 cent gain on the week.

Houston's Conoco Inc. subsidiary of Du Pont; Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp. and Sun Co., Radnor, Pa. - lowered the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead.

Conoco and Marathon dropped their prices $1 a barrel to $33 a barrel for WTI. Sun's reduction was 80 cents to $33.20 a WTI barrel.

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(NOV. 2) UPI - President Bush will be eating his Thanksgiving turkey with U-S troops in the Persian Gulf region. The White House detailed Bush's travel plans while Iraq declared that families of foreigners held by Baghdad can come visit Iraq at Christmas time.

Secretary of State Baker today ordered a technical team to go to Israel to begin talks on how to apply a 400-Million-dollar housing loan guarantee. The move came as the Bush administration tries to ease tensions between Israel and the United States.

Tehran radio says war may be imminent in the Persian Gulf. Iran's president is quoted as saying hostilities may break out in the gulf because Iraq has- quoting now- ''NOT yet come to its senses.''

Seven former followers of a dead Indian guru are charged with plotting to kill the U-S attorney in Portland. The indictments were handed down by a federal grand jury in May, but were NOT made public until six of the defendents were arrested. A seventh is thought to be in Switzerland.

A panel of parents and educators are debating whether to ban ''My Friend Flicka'' from a list of recommended readings for elementary students in Green Cove Springs, Florida. The Clay County school district may also ban ''Little Red Riding Hood''- which some parents fear promotes drinking.

A Houston jury has refused to find the Roman Catholic Church negligent in a two-year sexual relationship between a priest and a woman. Church officials argued that Debbie McCorvey freely entered the relationship. McCorvey sued the church for seven-Million dollars.

The so-called ''pottygate'' trial is into a second day in Houston. Prosecutors say Denise Wells created a disruption by using the men's restroom during a concert in July. But Wells says she the line outside the women's room was long and she couldn't hold it any longer.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 425.69, up 1.58 percent.
This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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HARTFORD, Conn. (NOV. 2) UPI - John F. Kennedy Jr., the only son of the assassinated president, has passed the Connecticut state bar examination, allowing him to practice law in the state, judicial officials said Friday.

The name John Fitzgerald Kennedy of New York, N.Y., was on the list released Friday of those passing the exam, said Lawrence Moore, a spokesman for the Connecticut Judicial Department.

Kennedy twice has failed the New York State bar examination and the results of his third try July 24 are expected next week.

Kennedy, 29, must pass the New York bar or give up his $30,000-a-year job as an assistant district attorney in New York City. If he passes, he will receive a $1,000 raise, officials said.

Connecticut officials did not know why Kennedy took the Connecticut bar exam, or if he planned to practice law in the state.

The 1989 graduate of the New York University School of Law took his first New York bar exam last November, but did not pass. He took the test again in February, when he again failed.

Kennedy can take the New York bar as many times as he wishes, but he cannot return to the district attorney's office until he passes.

He was sworn in to his job in August 1989 as an assistant prosecutor, working with a unit that focuses on white-collar crime, low-level political corruption and other felonies.

He was part of a three-member team of prosecutors who investigated illegal wiring of drug money from storefronts in the Washington Heights section of Manhattan to the Dominican Republic.

John Kennedy, only son of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, has been named the nation's ''sexiest hunk'' in several popularity polls.

A bachelor, he patronizes some of the city's trendiest restaurants and nightspots in the company of generally unidentified young women.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Selected Mutual Funds:

Afffliated Fund	9.16	9.82
Anchor Fund Inv	14.07	14.93
Delaware Mutual	16.44	17.63

Fidelity Fund	15.90	15.90
Investors Mutual	10.57	11.13
Investors Stocks	17.61	18.54
Investors Select	8.31	8.75
IDS Equity Plus	8.55	9.00
MFS Growth Stock	7.69	8.29
Nicholas Income	3.03	3.03
United Accumulated	5.97	6.52
United Income	15.86	17.33
Vanguard Wellington	15.55	15.55

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Mounting evidence that the U.S. economy was tumbling into recession, if it wasn't mired in one yet, gave the government bond market the strongest tone it has had since August, analysts said Friday.

U.S. Treasury bonds didn't lift much on the latest batch of bad tidings. The government said another 68,000 nonfarm jobs were lost in October and that its index of leading economic indicators slumped again last month. The September index was revised upwards, injecting some ambiguity.

But with economic headlines pointing to the ''cascading weakness'' that Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan some time ago said was what he would need to see to aggressively ease, bonds were starting to perk up.

Analysts said the recession cloud is obscuring other concerns - inflation, the Persian Gulf - which had pressured bond prices for months.

''Investor concerns are shifting toward very slow growth in the economy, and that's predominating now over inflation concerns and the weak dollar'' and the upcoming Treasury refunding, said Roger Craig, fixed-income portfolio director for Bank One Asset Management Corp. in Columbus, Ohio.

Market negatives are being powerfully offset by the fact that ''the economy is not only weak and probably already in a recession, but at least from where we sit is accelerating downward with the latest figures,'' added Scott Winningham vice president and chief money market analyst with Stone & McCarthy Research Associates Inc., a Princeton, N.J. advisory firm.

Salomon Brothers economist Richard Berner, in a newsletter, said ''multiplying signs that the U.S. economy was falling into recession were beginning to win the tug-of-war with lingering fears of inflation'' in the market.

Expectations of economic bad times boost bond prices because investors hit on Wall Street flee to the safety and fixed-income of government securities. Bond prices also can move up as the Fed lowers interest rates, because that process

makes their coupon interest rates more attractive.

The benchmark 30-year bond, the 8 3/4 of 2020, closed at 100 18/32 to yield 8.70 percent, vs. 99 24/32 and 8.77 percent a week earlier. That made for a gain of about 7/8 point, or $8.75 on a $1,000 Treasury bond.

Winningham said there were clear indications that professional investors have begun to think it is time to take bigger bond positions.

''What we are seeing very definitely in recent days is a growing fear on the part of institutional portfolio managers that they may get left behind'' in the flight to quality, Winningham said. Government bond dealers report ''much more interest than has been true in recent memory, '' he said.

''The theme underlying these last few days seems to be, do I buy here or do I wait - but there is very definitely a growing interest'' in establishing longer bond positions than money managers had been maintaining.

Winningham and other analysts were cautiously optimistic about the success of the Treasury's quarterly refunding operation next week, in which it will sell $34.25 billion in bonds and notes to finance the U.S. debt. There was concern earlier that the record refunding might create an oversupply.

''Just looking at the market, we're at the highest close we've been at since before the invasion of Kuwait, and that's despite the fact that this refunding is looming,'' Winningham said. ''That suggests the Treasury will be able to issue this new supply without more than a hiccup or two.''

Ten-year Treasury notes ended at 101 06/32 to yield 8.70, compared with 100 24/32 and 8.63 percent the week before. Five-year notes ended at 101 12/32 to yield 8.57 percent, vs. 101 2/32 and 8.22 percent.

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(NOV. 5) UPI -

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Atlanta Gas Light	Q	.51	12-1	11-23
Special				
Frontier Adjustrs Amer	..	.00 1/2	12-10	11-20
Usual				
Broad Inc	Q	.05	11-20	11-13
Broad Inc cl-B	Q	.04 1/2	11-20	11-13
Centex Corp	Q	.10	1-7	12-13
Comstock Ptrs SFI	..	.0666	11-30	11-16
GWC Corp	Q	.36	12-1	11-16

Haverty Furniture	..	.09 1/2	11-23	11-12
Kaufman & Broad Home	Q	.07 1/2	11-21	11-9
Kentucky Utilities Co	Q	.36 1/2	12-14	11-23
Merry-Go-Round Enterp	Q	.02 1/2	11-30	11-16
Morrison Knudsen Corp	Q	.37	1-2	11-14
Nuveen Calif Mcpl IFI	M	.0655	12-3	11-15
Nuveen Calif MMOFI	M	.0850	12-3	11-15
Nuveen Calif Mcpl VFI	M	.0550	12-3	11-15
Nuveen Calif PPMFI	M	.0850	12-3	11-15
Nuveen Investment QMFI	M	.0890	12-3	11-15
Nuveen Mcpl Advtge FI	M	.0910	12-3	11-15
Nuveen Mcpl Income FI	M	.0700	12-3	11-15
Nuveen Mcpl Mkt OFI	M	.0910	12-3	11-15
Nuveen Mcpl Value Fd	M	.0595	12-3	11-15
Nuveen NY Mcpl IFI	M	.0675	12-3	11-15
Nuveen NY Mcpl MOFI	M	.0875	12-3	11-15
Nuveen NY Mcpl VFI	M	.0563	12-3	11-15
Nuveen NY PPMFI	M	.0875	12-3	11-15
Nuveen Perform PMFI	M	.0850	12-3	11-15
Nuveen Premium IMFI	M	.0900	12-3	11-15
Preston Corp	Q	.12 1/2	1-31	12-31
Putnam Capital P/IT	M	.088	11-26	11-15
Putnam Diversified IT	M	.112	11-20	11-12
Putnam Diversified PIT	M	.1025	12-3	11-20
Putnam Dividend Inc Fd	M	.109	12-3	11-20
Putnam Hi Inc C&BF	M	.071	12-3	11-20
Putnam Hi Yld Mcpl Tr	M	.0675	12-3	11-20
Putnam Hi Yld Trust	M	.135	11-26	11-15
Putnam Hi Yld Tr II	M	.10	11-16	11-15
Putnam Income Fund	M	.056	11-26	11-15
Putnam Intermed GIT	M	.0800	12-3	11-20
Putnam Investment FMT	M	.074	12-3	11-20
Putnam Managed MIT	M	.0635	12-3	11-20
Putnam Master IIT	M	.0725	12-3	11-20
Putnam Master Inc Tr	M	.0775	12-3	11-20
Putnam Premier IT	M	.0775	12-3	11-20
Robinson Nugent Inc	S	.04	12-14	11-27
Selective Insur Grp	Q	.26	12-1	11-15
Southdown Inc	Q	.12 1/2	12-4	11-16
State Mutual Scrts Tr	Q	.26	12-31	11-30
Temple-Inland Inc	Q	.20	12-14	11-30
Timken Co	Q	.25	12-10	11-20
Washington Water Pwr	Q	.62	12-14	11-26

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Stocks gained ground this week as further signs of just how much the economy was weakening fostered the perception that the Federal Reserve would have to step in soon with another interest rate cut.

The Dow Jones industrial average jumped 35.89 Friday to end the week at 2490.84, gaining 54.70, or 2.24 percent, for the week.

Among broader market indexes, Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 7.14 to end the week at 311.85 and the New York Stock Exchange composite index added 3.36 to end at 170.07.

Advances led declines 1,013-883 among the 2,170 NYSE issues traded this week. Weekly Big Board volume totaled 771,474,930 shares, up from 719,883,860 a week earlier and 740,965,720 a year ago.

Analysts called the outlook for lower interest rates - gaining credence after several grim economic reports were released - was the main factor behind the week's gains.

With the economy already teetering on the edge of recession, news Friday that the jobless rate was unchanged in October but that the number of non-farm jobs declined by more than had been expected made traders feel that a further rate cut could not be far off.

That news came on the heels of Thursday's purchasing managers' report, which showed that the overall economy declined last month for the first time in 8 years. And jobless claims for the latest week for which figures were reported rose a sharp 33,000.

All this bad economic news brought the market to one conclusion: despite its heretofore tight stance on interest rates, the Federal Reserve would have to rescue the economy with loosening credit - and soon. The Fed nudged down short-term rates by a quarter-point Monday, a move that had been wholly anticipated by the markets and one that failed to cheer investors much.

''The economy has been weakening, but assuredly it has got to lead to an easier monetary policy,'' said Don Hays, director of investment strategy at Wheat, First Securities Inc. in Richmond, Va.

Hays was critical of the Federal Reserve for waiting until this week to loosen the reins on credit even slightly. ''I think almost 90 percent of the reason for the market's recent decline has been tight money policy,'' he said.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''magnified'' the stock market's bearishness, but ''if we had had a healthier monetary policy it wouldn't have been so bad '' Hays said. ''By holding rates up, they (the Fed) removed the shock absorbers from the system. That's okay if you don't hit any potholes. But if you do, it goes directly to the jawbone.''

Hugh Johnson, chief economist at First Albany Corp. in Albany. N.Y., agreed that Fed policy on rates has been restrictive, attributing this to the Fed's desire to be perceived as an inflation-fighter, and said the economy is now paying the price for that.

''The way we're paying is that money growth is still very sluggish and the economy has come quite close to recession, dangerously close,'' Johnson said. ''In part this is because of the tight policy, but in a way it's hard to blame the Fed because (controlling monetary) policy is an art, not a science. I'm not sure I would have done anything differently.''

In defense of the Fed, Johnson said it has done a reasonable job of keeping the core inflation rate under downward pressure.

''But they had the misfortune of the events in the Mideast. That made life more difficult,'' he said.

Nevertheless, the message of the market this week was the widespread expectation that the Fed will respond with a rate cut.

''The market is saying the Fed will be like all knights on white horses. It will come to the rescue just in the nick of time and the economy won't recede further,'' Johnson said.

Despite what Wall Street may think, Johnson said he saw reason for a degree of skepticism about a rate cut. ''The dollar has been weak, so import prices have been strong, and the Fed needs to preserve its credibility as an inflation fighter,'' he argued. ''I'm not sure they're willing to risk that by lowering short-term rates much further. Stay tuned.''

On the trading floor this week, Chase Manhattan was the most active issue, off 3/8 to 10 5/8.

But as the week ended, banks rebounded on the rosier rate outlook. Among them was Citicorp, up 1 1/2 to 12 5/8 in trading that made it the week's second most-active issue. The holding company for the largest U.S. bank ended last week at its lowest levels in more than eight years.

Philip Morris was third, up 1 3/4 to 48 3/8.

Unisys was also active, up 3/8 to 2 5/8 after plunging last week in the wake of a $357 million loss recorded in the third quarter.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T rose 1 3/8 to 34 3/4, General Electric jumped 2 1/2 to 53, IBM added 1 1/2 to 108 3/8 and American Express, recovering along with other financial issues, rose 1 1/8 to 19 3/4.

On the American Stock Exchange, the Amex Market Value index lost 1.41 to close Friday at 289.93. Declines led advances 461-320 among the 988 issues traded.

Amex volume totaled 47,233,625 shares, down from 52,916,215 traded a week earlier and 57,286,175 traded in the same week a year ago.

Continental Air led the Amex actives, plunging 1 1/8 on the week to 2 5/8. General Motors' Electronic Data Systems unit canceled a pact with Continental Friday that would have called for EDS to form a joint venture to take over the airline's System One reservation system.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 2.09 to end the week at 336.45.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 2) UPI - The Nuclear Regulatory Commission must hold a public hearing before authorizing startup of a newly constructed nuclear power plant if it is presented with significant safety questions, a federal court ruled Friday.

In a modest victory for antinuclear groups, the court invalidated sections of the NRC's new ''one-step'' licensing rule that greatly limited the circumstances under which a pre-operation hearing would be required.

The streamlined licensing procedure, adopted by the NRC last year, was considered an important boost for the nuclear industry in reducing the time needed to get a federal operating license for a new plant.

Under the rule, utilities seeking to build a nuclear plant could receive a combined construction permit and conditional operating license before breaking ground, provided the project involved a standardized reactor design already certified as safe by the NRC.

Once the plant was built, the NRC would inspect it to see if it met the safety requirements outlined in the provisional license. If the plant was deemed in compliance with those requirements, the NRC could issue an operating license without any public hearing.

In its decision, the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia ruled that the NRC rule was too restrictive in determining if a pre-operation hearing was needed.

The court said the rule provided for hearings if a plant did not meet safety requirements in the provisional license, but not if other information - for example, new data about earthquake risks - came to light after a plant was built.

It said federal law required the NRC to hold a pre-operation hearing if it was presented with any ''material issues'' concerning plant safety - not just those issues stemming from provisional license requirements.

''The plain language of (federal nuclear safety law) requires the commission to provide an opportunity for a hearing to consider significant new information that comes to light after initial licensing, '' the court said.

The one-step licensing rule was intended to settle most safety issues before utilities began building a plant, giving them greater assurance that no unexpected snags would arise once a plant was finished.

Under old NRC rules, an utility first had to get a construction permit to build a plant at a given site. It then had to undergo a second proceeding - including public hearings - to get an operating license.

NRC and industry officials said the two-step procedure was too prone to abuse by antinuclear activists who could raise new safety issues after a plant was built, often holding up operation for years.

The most celebrated examples were the Seabrook nuclear power plant in New Hampshire and the Shoreham facility on Long Island. In both cases, opponents raised concerns about emergency evacuation planning after the plants were built.

Shoreham's owner eventually decided to mothball the plant and the Seabrook plant went through a decade-long struggle to get an operating license.

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(NOV 2) UPI -The White House said Friday President Bush will visit U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf region on Thanksgiving Day, while Baghdad gave its ''word of honor'' that the families of hostages would be allowed to come and go freely if they visit Iraq at Christmas.

And in an interview published Friday, the U.S. commander general in the Persian Gulf said there are alternatives to destroying Iraq in the quest for peace and Middle East stability.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein made an offer Thursday to allow families to visit the thousands of foreign hostages in Iraq and Kuwait at Christmas.

Bush dismissed the invitation. ''I don't think he'll win any humanitarian rewards for this,'' the president said.

The State Department was discouraging visits.

''Iraq is cruelly dangling as the lure for these visits the possibility of obtaining the release of or having the chance to visit hostages held against international law,'' spokeswoman Margaret Tutweiler said.

''Saddam Hussein is using Americans and other nationals as pawns in a cruel game. He is heartlessly toying with the anguish of family members and the sympathies of all civilized people for the plight of the hostages.

''Iraq's cynical trafficking in human beings should be exposed for what it is, an attempt to exploit for propaganda purposes the illegal detention of Americans and other citizens,'' Tutweiler said.

It was not immediately clear how many families would take Iraq up on the offer or if the crisis would last until Christmas. A source from the Iraqi Embassy in London said two families had contacted diplomats to ask about the proposed trips.

A State Department official said if family members decide to accept Saddam's invitation to visit hostages in Iraq, they will require a Treasury Department license because they will be spending money on such things as plane tickets and hotel, which would normally be in violation of the U.N. economic embargo against Iraq.

The official said the licenses would be granted - despite Bush's less-than-enthusiastic view of the visit invitation - because it is for a humanitarian cause.

The official Iraqi News Agency, INA, quoted the country's minister of culture as expressing surprise at the international condemnation of the offer to allow families to visit the estimated 4,000 hostages, who are being held at key economic and military sites as a human shield against possible attack from the U.S.-led international force in the Persian Gulf.

''We emphasize that Iraq has a word of honor and (is) known for its morals and promises, therefore the families that will visit Iraq will ... possess their full freedom to travel again after meeting their relatives and their meetings will take place at comfortable places,'' said the minister, Latif Nesyef Jassim.

Tutweiler said the weather in the Middle East is growing cooler.

''Temperatures are now in the 80s during the daytime, and get down to the 50s or 60s at night. During the winter, temperatures sometimes get around freezing.

''We assume that the people that are being held as human shields do not have clothes and blankets because, as you know, most were taken from their homes during the heat of the summer,'' she said.

The White House said President Bush will spend Thanksgiving Day with U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf, where he also will consult with regional leaders about the standoff with Saddam.

Details of the trip were disclosed while Bush was on a final campaign swing to the Midwest and West Coast. First lady Barbara Bush was expected to accompany the president on the visit to the Middle East and Europe.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - The National Mortgage Bank of Greece, the country's second-largest bank, pleaded guilty Friday to accepting hundreds of millions of dollars in illegal deposits, laundering millions in cash and operating an illegal bank in the United States.

In addition, four of the Athens-based bank's employees in the United States pleaded guilty to conspiracy in the scheme. A fifth was expected to enter a guilty plea Monday.

In return for the guilty plea on 26 of 28 counts, the bank - represented by bank governor Apostolos Georgiakis - agreed to pay an $8 million fine, the largest ever collected for a non-drug related money- laundering scheme, said U.S. Attorney Andrew Maloney.

The bank could have been slapped with as much as a $10 million penalty.

Sentencing for the bank employees will be held in January and February in U.S. District Court in Brooklyn, when they face up to five years in jail.

But the defendants all told Judge Raymond Dearie they intended to cooperate with the government in its investigation of the scam.

The importance of their cooperation may determine lighter sentences, the government said.

The defendants were the last of 12 employees who entered guilty pleas since they were indicted last March. The bank, owned in part by the Greek government operates branches in Astoria, Queens; Brooklyn; Hicksville, N.Y.; Upper Darby Penn., Chicago, Oak Lawn, Ill., and Roslindale, Mass.

The indictment charged the bank helped customers to structure money transactions by accepting cashier's checks, money orders and foreign drafts in amounts under $10,000 to avoid certain filing reports with the Internal Revenue Service.

In this fashion, federal authorities said the bank illegally processed $700

million through its U.S. branches since 1983 from its Greek-American customers including doctors, lawyers, college professors and restaurant owners. The defendants were arrested in June 1989 after a nine-month undercover investigation.

Maloney had called the scam the ''boldest ... form of institutionalized money laundering we have ever encountered.''

Those pleading guilty Friday were George Kontos, of Astoria; Manolis Stefanakis, of Brooklyn; Alex Kotseroglou, of Chicago, and Nikos Stathopoulos, of Burbank, Ill.

Stellios Psarros, of Syosset, N.Y., was expected to enter his guilty plea before Dearie on Monday.

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(NOV. 3) UPI - NFL STANDINGS

American Conference

East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	6	1	0	.857	187	136
Miami	6	1	0	.857	152	90
NY Jets	3	5	0	.375	151	190
Indianapolis	2	5	0	.286	105	162
New England	1	6	0	.143	100	196

Central

Cincinnati	5	3	0	.625	205	204
Houston	4	4	0	.500	181	152
Pittsburgh	4	4	0	.500	150	138
Cleveland	2	6	0	.250	128	193

West

LA Raiders	6	1	0	.857	147	99
Kansas City	4	3	0	.571	167	114
Denver	3	4	0	.429	168	178
Seattle	3	4	0	.429	144	135
San Diego	3	5	0	.375	164	142

National Conference

East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
NY Giants	7	0	0	1.000	171	96
Washington	4	3	0	.571	144	103
Philadelphia	3	4	0	.429	151	152

Dallas	3	5	0	.375	110	156
Phoenix	2	5	0	.286	100	172
Central						
Chicago	6	1	0	.857	173	96
Tampa Bay	4	4	0	.500	157	182
Detroit	3	4	0	.429	168	179
Green Bay	3	4	0	.429	127	156
Minnesota	1	6	0	.143	150	159
West						
San Francisco	7	0	0	1.000	174	118
Atlanta	3	4	0	.429	199	200
LA Rams	2	5	0	.286	174	214
New Orleans	2	5	0	.286	115	150

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NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Blaming its long-term debt position, United Merchants and Manufacturers Inc. announced Friday that it and subsidiaries Jonathan Logan Inc. and United Merchants Trucking Inc. filed for Chapter 11 federal bankruptcy protection.

Petitions for reorganization relief were filed in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Wilmington, Del.

Victoria Creations, in which United Merchants owns an 83 percent interest, is not involved in the reorganization and will continue to conduct business as usual, according to the parent.

Seeking Chapter 11 protection from creditors was necessitated by the company's inability to repay the principal amount of $11.6 million of an issue of 4 percent convertible subordinated debentures that matured Thursday.

''After a thorough review of all alternatives, the company was compelled to take this action to preserve its assets, provide for continuing operations and protect the interests of its shareholders, creditors, customers, employees and suppliers,'' said Uzi Ruskin, United Merchants president and chief executive officer.

After selling assets and cutting indebtedness by $115 million over the last five years, Ruskin said that ''the company's operations are all operating profitably at the operating income level at this time.''

United Merchants is ''developing a reorganization plan that will reduce long-term debt to a level that can be supported by continuing operations,'' he said.

The company is involved in manufacturing various textiles.

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WELLESLEY, Mass. (NOV. 2) UPI - Boston Celtics guard Dee Brown, who was held at gunpoint by Wellesley police after a bank clerk said he resembled a robbery suspect, has settled his differences with the town, his attorney said Friday.

Wellesley's governing Board of Selectmen agreed to review police procedures, to work to heighten the exclusive suburb's awareness of racial and cultural diversity, and to pay Brown an undisclosed sum for ''attorney's fees.''

Brown and his fiancee, Jill Edmondson, had planned to buy a home in Wellesley and the couple were sitting in a parked car outside a post office on Sept. 21 when police surrounded the vehicle. Brown said the officers forced him out of the ground at gunpoint.

Police said the speedy 6-foot-1 guard from Jacksonville University had been mistaken for a robbery suspect who had held up a nearby bank. Police Chief John Fitts issued a public apology. Although Fitts denied racism was a factor, some questioned whether police targeted Brown because he is black. Brown considered taking legal action against the town.

A statement released Friday by Brown's attorney, Alan Margolies, said selectmen and Fritts had ''fully and completely apologized'' to Brown and Edmondson ''for their having suffered through the incident as totally innocent victims of a misidentification.''

The statement said selectmen had thoroughly investigated the incident and determined ''overt acts'' of racism were not involved. However, the town agreed to hire a professional consultant to review police procedures and to examine the circumstances under which police should use firearms. The training of police dispatchers was also to come under scrutiny.

Selectmen also assured the couple they would take steps to ''reinvigorate the town of Wellesley's commitment to recognize, appreciate and respect individual group differences and cultural diversity.''

Brown said he was satisfied that the town was committed to promoting racial equality and said he and his fiancee still planned to move to the community.

''I look forward to becoming an active leader as one of Wellesley's newest residents in the furtherance of these social goals which are common to us all '' he said in a statement.

''While Jill and I were shocked, angered and humiliated by what happened, we

are most pleased that something very positive has resulted. Hopefully, the final outcome of this unfortunate episode will be beneficial to everyone.''

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#90306u1999 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - A union invitation to the Rev. Jesse Jackson to address Friday's union rally outside the New York Daily News prompted the newspaper's publisher to issue an unheeded warning against such an endorsement.

''It isn't conceivable that the founder and driving force of the Rainbow Coalition would choose to endorse or align himself with six lily-white craft unions whose membership rolls are strictly closed to blacks and females,'' wrote James Hoge, publisher and president of the News.

''I also want you to know that management at the Daily News has been powerless - until now - to correct these injustices,'' he said. ''Acccording to past contract provisions, hiring for craft jobs has been solely from 'approved' lists which these unions compile and provide.''

Striking News columnist Jerry Capeci, acting as a spokesman for the Guild Strike Coordinating Committee, responded, ''The Daily News management is the only party in this dispute to be found guilty of racial discrimination in a federal court of law,'' referring to past legal actions against the newspaper. ''Hoge should get back in his glass house.''

Hoge's criticism of Jackson's invited support for the strikers, released as an ''Open Letter to Jesse Jackson,'' did not stop the former presidential candidate from speaking to a crowd of nearly 2,000 union backers outside the tabloid's Midtown headquarters Friday evening.

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#90306u2020 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 2) UPI - Federal officials put a ''for sale'' sign Friday on Lincoln Savings and Loan Association, a symbol of the nation's thrift scandal, and 17 other seized thrifts.

The Resolution Trust Corp., set up last year to dispose of failed S& Ls, said that it was soliciting bids for the thrifts, which have total assets of about $31.8 billion and deposits of $24.3 billion. The RTC has been operating all 18 of the institutions.

RTC spokeswoman Kate Spears said that the agency expects most of the 18 thrifts to be sold by the end of the year or early next year.

Federal regulators seized Lincoln, of Irvine, Calif. in April 1989, one day after its parent American Continental Corp. declared bankruptcy. Analysts have

estimated that Lincoln's failure will cost taxpayers more than $2 billion, making it the most expensive thrift failure ever.

Spears said the RTC has not yet estimated how expensive the Lincoln bailouit will be.

Former Lincoln owner Charles H. Keating Jr. and three associates face trial in Los Angeles on 42 criminal charges and are accused of scheming to defraud investors in the sale of $250 million of now-worthless junk bonds through the Lincoln branches in Southern California.

Keating, who spent a month in jail before his bail was cut from $5 million to $300,000 two weeks ago, also faces a myriad of civil charges. The Office of Thrift Supervision has filed administrative charges against him and five associates, seeking more than $40 million in restitution.

Current estimates of the total costs of the thrift bailout run from the federal government's current $330 billion figure to $1 trillion, a forecast issued two weeks ago by Edwin Gray, who headed the Federal Home Loan Bank Board between 1983 and 1987.

The RTC said Lincoln currently has assets of $2.7 billion and deposits of $2.4 billion.

Another thrift with an expensive bailout cost - City Savings Bank of Somerset, N.J. - also was put on the auction block. The RTC agreed in September to sell 27 City Savings branches in Florida to Great Western Bank of Beverly Hills, Calif., and nine New Jersey offices to First Fidelity Bank of New Jersey.

At the time, the RTC said that the ultimate cost of the City Savings bailout would be about $1.5 billion. City Savings assets were listed as $7.7 billion.

The largest of the 18 thrifts put up for sale was 78-branch Imperial Savings, of San Diego, with assets of $7.9 billion. Imperial, which had invested heavily in junk bonds, was hit hard when the junk bond market fell sharply last year.

The RTC also listed there 15 other seized thrifts as being for sale, with their assets:

-Pima Federal Savings, of Tucson, Ariz., $1.98 billion.

-Security Savings, of Scottsdale, Ariz., $557 million.

-Commonwealth Federal Savings, of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., $1.2 billion.

-Pioneer Federal Savings, of Clearwater, Fla., $1.75 billion.

-American Federal Savings of Iowa, of Des Moines, Iowa, $670 million.

-Statesman Federal Savings, of Waterloo, Iowa, $552 million.

-Horizon Federal Savings, of Wilmette, Ill., $843 million.

-Mid Kansas Savings, of Wichita, Ka., $573 million.

-Security Homestead Federal Savings, of New Orleans, $445 million.

-First Federal Savings of Annapolis, of Annapolis, Md., $764 million.

-ABQ Federal Savings Bank, of Albuquerque, N.M., $1.4 billion.

-Sandia Federal Savings, of Albuquerque, N.M., $485 million.

-Alamo Federal Savings of Texas, of San Antonio, Texas, $425 million.

-Commonwealth Federal Savings, of Houston, $1.3 billion.

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#90306u2070 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - The following is Money Magazine's Small Investor Index (Dec. 31, 1989 average equals 100):

This week 99.07, off 0.10 or 0.10 percent, compared with 99.17 (revised) the previous week.
The week's change for each asset:

Category	PC Chg. Index	PC Chg. Week Ago	PC Chg. Year Ago
Stocks			
Blue chips	90.16	off 0.92	off 6.08
Small stocks	73.47	up 0.32	off 27.04
Equity funds	88.22	off 1.89	off 9.57
Bonds			
Taxable bonds	104.96	up 0.40	up 5.85
Municipal bonds	106.26	up 0.46	up 7.34
Bond funds	99.04	off 0.08	off 0.95
Cash			
CDs	106.68	up 0.14	up 7.96
Money funds	105.05	up 0.11	up 6.01
Other			
Real estate	100.51	off 0.28	up 0.97
Gold	83.68	up 0.63	off 5.57

#90306u2114 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 2) UPI - Analysts are saying that the U-S economy is less able to resist a recession because of the weaknesses that have drained much of the nation's financial strength. They see that weakness continuing with two government reports today. In the first, joblessness was reported UNchanged at five-point-seven percent in October, though there were less jobs to fill. The other report showed that the index of leading indicators dipped eight-tenths of one percent in September.

The official Soviet news agency reports more bloodshed today in the rebellious republic of Moldavia. The report says at least six people were killed and at least 30 others were wounded in battles involving militia units, Moldavian vigilantes and residents of the Russian-speaking eastern region of the republic. Ethnic Russian and Ukrainian residents of the eastern region are trying to secede from the Moldavian-dominated western region.

Ford and General Motors say they are laying off more than 50-thousand workers at U-S car and truck plants in a series of pre-Thanksgiving production cuts. Analysts blame the lay-offs on the cautious inventory policies of auto dealers. All the lay-offs will be temporary- except for 450 workers at the G-M mini-van plant in Tarrytown, New York, whose jobs are being permanently eliminated. Chrysler did NOT announce any lay- offs, saying those decisions are made on a week-by-week basis.

The Newspaper Guild is organizing a boycott of advertisers for the weekend editions of the New York Daily News. And, rallies are planned tonight outside the Daily News building, with unionized firefighters among those planning to join the picket lines outside the newspaper. The violence-ridden strike entered its second week today with the paper's management refusing to consider a purchase offer.

The prosecution rested its case today in Houston in the so-called ''pottygate'' case featuring a woman dubbed the ''bathroom bandit'' by the media. A man in the bathroom at the time of the incident says Denise Wells overed her face and headed straight for the facility's stalls. David Keller says he was NOT offended by Wells' presence- in his words- ''I felt sorry for her.'' Wells was thrown out a concert and given a 200-dollar ticket for using a men's restroom at a George Strait concert in July.

53-year-old Tom Casey of Seattle, Washington, is on his way to dry land today after crash-landing his seaplane in Alaskan waters... just short of his around-the-world goal. Casey was seeking to become the first float-plane pilot to circle the globe by landing only on water. An engine failure forced him down 22 miles west of Kiska Island in the western Aleutians. Casey was NOT hurt... and the fishing boat ''Judy B'' picked up him and his plane.

A store owner in Malden, Massachusetts, says he is offering a 200- dollar

reward for information leading to the arrest of a suspect in a fatal beating Halloween night. John Strauss says he has grandchildren Timothy Doucette's age and- in his words- ''it just hit home.'' Doucette was fatally beaten by a motorist angry that eggs were tossed at his luxury car.

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#90306u2135 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

LA JOLLA, CA (NOV. 3) UPI - On Nov. 6, a majority of Americans are expected to carry on a century-old political tradition - they will decline to vote in the general election.

A panel of national experts on voting patterns predicted Friday that voter turnout across the nation will be relatively light next week, just as it has been in years past.

The reasons for voter apathy, outlined during a UC San Diego conference entitled ''Why Americans Don't Vote,'' point out weaknesses in the election system itself.

Complex registration processes, the entrenchment of incumbents and the power of the 30-second soundbite have all created the impression that voting is too much work for too little impact, panelists said.

''The voting process is still too confusing to many people,'' said Sam Popkin, a UCSD political scientist and moderator of the forum.

''We have more propositions, more names on the ballot than ever before, and one of the problems is that authority is diluted at so many levels,'' Popkin said.

A sense of chaos has spawned a growing anti-incumbent or ''Re-elect No One'' attitude now sweeping the country, Popkin said. But, curiously, that resentment has not translated into a higher voter turnout, he added.

''One of the reasons we're getting this 'throw them all out' (attitude) is because so few people really know which ones they're mad at,'' Popkin said.

Low voter turnout in America can be traced to the adoption in the late 19th century of the so-called personal voter registration policy, requiring voters to be literate and active participants.

Americans who want to vote must seek out the appropriate government agency and fill out the necessary paperwork within a certain time frame, said Frances Fox Piven, co-author of the book, ''Why American's Don't Vote.''

Throughout Europe, where governments assume responsibility for registering its citizens, voter turnout runs as high as 96 percent.

By contrast, in 1988, during the last presidential race in the United States, turnout was 50 percent, the worst showing since a 51-percent turnout in 1948.

''In Europe, you can't help but be registered,'' UC Berkeley political science professor Raymond Wolfinger said.

Most panelists said radical electoral reforms are the only hope to bring out more American voters. Richard Cloward, Piven's co-author, recommended a so-called ''motor-voter'' program now being implemented in several states, in which voter registration is taken directly from automobile registration forms.

Similar programs could be established with welfare and public-housing agencies the U.S. Postal Service and unemployment offices, Cloward said.

The most radical approach to solving the problem was suggested by Walter Dean Burnham, a political scientist from the University of Texas at Austin. Burnham predicted that voter turnout would rise dramatically if non-voters were assessed a $5 poll fine.

Voter apathy poses a serious enough threat to the democratic process to justify such a penalty, Burnham said.

''The reason you hear moans when voter turnout falls below 50 percent is because that presents a significant problem with maintaining the fiction that you have something other than a functional oligarchy at work,'' he said.

Piven warned that no reforms were likely to take place as long as incumbents wield disproportionate power. Politicians now in office typically show no interest in taking steps to increase voter turnout, she said.

''That should tell you something,'' Piven said. ''They're afraid of something. They're afraid of political motion.''

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#90306u2201 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 3) UPI - NHL STANDINGS

Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	11	4	0	22	66	37
New Jersey	8	5	1	17	54	46
Washington	8	7	0	16	47	48
Philadelphia	7	6	0	14	50	49
Pittsburgh	6	6	1	13	61	53
NY Islanders	4	9	0	8	34	56

Adams Division

Boston	7	4	2	16	42	46
Montreal	7	6	1	15	46	46
Hartford	4	7	2	10	32	44
Buffalo	3	5	4	10	39	39
Quebec	3	8	3	9	40	59

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	9	5	0	18	49	34
St. Louis	8	4	1	17	47	38
Detroit	7	4	3	17	56	52
Minnesota	2	9	3	7	38	58
Toronto	2	11	1	5	38	66

Smythe Division

Calgary	10	4	0	20	60	40
Los Angeles	9	4	1	19	64	45
Vancouver	7	6	0	14	39	41
Winnipeg	5	8	1	11	43	44
Edmonton	2	7	2	6	29	32

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#90306u2212 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 2) UPI - Iraq is expressing surprise at the international condemnation of the offer to allow families to visit the estimated four-thousand hostages at Christmas. Iraq's news agency quoted an official saying Iraq gives its word of honor that families will have full freedom to leave after they visit their relatives. President Bush says Saddam Hussein WON'T win any humanitarian awards.

Iraq says a chartered Iraqi Boeing 707 arrived in Baghdad today with 15 tons of medicine from Switzerland. The Swiss sold the supplies to Iraq for an estimated 390-thousand dollars. Switzerland says the shipment does NOT violate the economic embargo imposed by the United Nations, which allows humanitarian shipments of medicine.

Calls to a national mental health hotline have increased between 30 and 40 percent since the Persian Gulf crisis began. The president of Managed Health Network in Los Angeles, Ronald Moreland, says American workers increasingly exhibit stress caused by outside events. He says most callers aren't even aware that personal anxiety is increased by world tension.

Protesters demonstrated against President Bush outside a high school in Rochester, Minnesota, today. About 200 people expressed their displeasure with

the president's veto of the Civil Rights Act and other issues. It's NOT clear whether Bush could see or hear the demonstrators. Bush is on a country-wide tour in behalf of Republican candidates on Tuesday's ballots.

A crusading Mohawk newspaper editor, Doug George, has been cleared of charges he killed another Indian during a gunfight over allowing casinos on reservations. The judicial ruling in Quebec may have led to a new burst of violence on the Canadian side of St. Regis Indian Reservation. Young people threw rocks at police and vandalized property last night.

A happy landing occurred today for 242 people on an American Airlines D-Cstop flight from London to Dallas-Fort Worth made a safe emergency landing at the Kennedy Airport in New York City. The jet had a blown tire and flap damage incurred when it took off in London. The landing occurred safely... and passengers finished their trip on another flight.

Detroit Mayor Coleman Young says the traditional Halloween arson rate was up considerably this year. Young said today 281 fires were reported during the three-day Halloween period, about 60 more than last year. It's the first increase since 1984 and came despite the efforts of more than 35-thousand volunteers to dampen Detroit's annual arson spree.

John F. Kennedy Junior, the only son of the assassinated president, has passed the Connecticut state bar exam. His name is on the list released today of those passing the exam. Kennedy has failed the New York State bar examination twice... and the results of his third try are expected next week. 29-year-old Kennedy must pass the New York bar or give up his job as an assistant district attorney in New York City.

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#90306u2388 11/02/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 2) UPI - A quiet week in the Persian Gulf resulted in oil falling more than one-dollar a barrel on the world's markets today. One analyst says traders generally think NO military action will occur in Kuwait until after Tuesday's U-S elections.

''For sale'' signs went up today at Lincoln Savings and Loan Association, one of the symbols of the nation's thrift scandal... and 17 other seized thrifts. The Resolution Trust Corporation wants offers for the 18 savings and loans.

A German diplomat in Mexico was set free today after being held hostage for four days. A group demanding release of its jailed leader freed the envoy... but did NOT win the release of its leader.

The Canadian government says it plans to eventually have Canada's entire fleet of oil tankers and tank barges outfitted with double bottoms or hulls. It's an effort to prevent a catastrophic oil spill in Canadian waters.

Yugoslavia's government says it will ask its highest court to rule on the legality of laws enacted by the republics of Serbia, Croatia and Slovenia. Nationalists in the republics are challenging the Yugoslav reform program.

12 Albanian dissidents who are ethnic Greeks crossed the border into Greece and sought political asylum in the last two days. One died of exhaustion shortly after racing across the border.

A new drug enforcement treaty aimed at allowing the war on drugs to be fought across borders will take effect in 10 days. The United Nations says 26 countries have ratified the treaty and 62 others have signed it.

Colombia's Medellin cocaine cartel demanded amnesty today. The cartel also demanded an end to extradition of suspects to other countries in return for freeing seven journalists it is holding hostage.

Police in Brazil report the largest cocaine bust in Brazilian history. Police say a Colombian man and three Italians with Mafia connections were arrested as more than 11-hundred pounds of cocaine was seized.

A union boycott of New York Daily News advertisers is being organized for the weekend. Today began the second week of a strike against the nation's largest tabloid newspaper.

Donald Trump's wife, Ivana, announced today that she is filing for divorce. The Trumps have been estranged for months. A statement issued through her attorneys said she is filing for divorce with deep regret.

Two animal-welfare groups say the Nordstrom retail chain will close its seven remaining fur salons by February. Nordstrom officials characterized the move as a business decision.

A G-I in Singapore will be subject to U-S military disciplinary procedings. He scaled the fence around Thailand's Embassy and broke into the ambassador's home. Police say he had been drinking.

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#90306u2497 11/02/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 2) UPI - President Bush is working his way west... along the way stumping for Republican candidates on Tuesday's ballots. Bush addressed a rally in Cincinnati, Ohio, this morning before moving on to Rochester, Minnesota. Demonstrators met Bush in both cities. But he received largely enthusiastic receptions as he plugged for G-O-P candidates. The president arranged to go to Sioux City, Iowa, later in the day and then head on to California and New Mexico.

In Iowa, Senator Tom Harkin asked Bush to shun political fund-raisers and instead meet with people to explain the new budget. Democrat Harkin says the budget cuts agricultural programs by 41 percent.

A national survey conducted by an Arab-American newspaper finds little support for the deployment of U-S troops to the Persian Gulf. 86 percent of those reponding to the survey oppose the deployment. 47 percent disagreed with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. 41 percent supported it. The Arab American News, which is published in Dearborn, Michigan, has a circulation of 20-thousand.

Oil market analysts say traders expect a quiet weekend in the Persian Gulf and it showed in their activities at the oil markets today. Crude oil fell more than one-dollar a barrel. On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for December delivery was down one dollar and 17 cents to 34-dollars a barrel.

The Canadian government is taking steps to avert catastrophic marine oil and chemical spills. Officials say they plan to eventually have all of Canada's tankers and tank barges outfitted with double bottoms or hulls. Transport Minister Doug Lewis made the announcement after the release of a study that indicates Canadian government and industry are NOT equipped to handle a major spill.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is under orders to hold a public hearing before authorizing start-up of any newly constructed nuclear power plant if it receives significant questions about safety. The federal appeals court in Washington gave that modest victory to anti- nuclear groups today. The court invalidated sections of the N-R-C's new streamlined licensing procedure.

Seven former followers of a dead Indian guru who once operated a controversial commune in central Oregon have been indicted. They are charged with plotting to kill the U-S attorney in Portland... Charles Turner. The indictment was handed down by a federal grand jury May 25th, but was made public only after six of the defendants were arrested around the world.

Authorities in Papillion, Nebraska, accuse a woman of trying to pull a hoax to try to get a lighter sentence on a theft conviction. The woman called 911 to report she had been shot, beaten and raped. Police say she actually planned the attack with a male friend in hopes of getting leniency. She is to be sentenced next Friday for stealing jewelry from a house where she worked as a maid.

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#90306x2086 11/02/1990 ~Comtex

NEW YORK (NOV. 3) UPI - United Press International said Friday it has been approached by six potential suitors, including several ''blue-chip companies '' and will impose deep pay cuts on non-union employees to foster a speedy

sale of the wire service.

In an effort to improve the company's financial condition, UPI said it will reduce the salaries of all non-union covered employees by 35 percent for 90 days beginning Nov. 4.

In addition, the news service said it had rescinded its policy granting severance and notice pay to all non-union employees.

The company also said it had opened discussions Friday with officers of the Wire Service Guild, which represents UPI's editorial employees. The nature of those discussions was not disclosed.

''All these drastic measures are necessary to bring UPI immediately to cash flow self-sufficiency and to stabilize the company during the next few months to be able to effect a sale of UPI in the shortest possible order,'' said Pieter VanBennekom, executive vice president of editorial operations for UPI, in a memorandum to staff members.

''To bring the process to a successful conclusion, we need the breathing space these measures will provide,'' VanBennekom added.

UPI is 97 percent owned by Infotechnology Inc.

Last week, Infotech and Financial News Network Inc. said they were considering the sale of ''some or all'' of their businesses because they were unable to meet operating expenses or cover payments of $70.2 million in bank debt.

Infotech has a 47 percent stake in FNN.

A new management team was appointed last week to restructure Infotech's and FNN's debt and to return the companies to financial health. The team replaced Dr. Earl Brian, who had been chief executive officer of both companies.

Infotech and FNN hired Coopers & Lybrand several weeks ago after their previous auditors, Deloitte & Touche, declined to endorse FNN's financial results.

In his memorandum to UPI staffers, VanBennekom said: ''Many of the expressions of interest have come from the blue-chip companies that have the greatest possible interest in preserving UPI's journalistic tradition of excellence.''

He said UPI expected to be contacted by additional parties.

Milt Capps, a UPI spokesman, declined to identify the potential bidders.

Capps also said he could not disclose how many workers would be affected by the wage cuts and the elimination of severance and notice pay or how much

money the company expected to save from the actions.

Capps declined to say whether management would seek the same concessions from Guild-covered workers as it had imposed on non-union personnel.

''We are not ruling out any options in our effort to sustain UPI,'' he said.

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#90307b0366 11/03/1990 ~Business Wire

FREMONT, CA (NOV. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Vitalink Communications Corp., a leading LAN internetworking company, announced Saturday that it has restructured its executive staff by adding three additional executives.

The new positions being added include vice president of manufacturing and service, assistant vice president of software engineering and assistant vice president of systems engineering.

Commenting on the expansion of the executive staff, Leslie G. Denend, chief executive officer and president, said, ''This modification of the staff will create a flatter management organization with all key corporate functions equally represented in Vitalink's decision making body.''

Denend went on to say, ''It also emphasizes Vitalink's renewed focus on product development.''

Previously, the executive staff was comprised of the chief executive officer and president, chief financial officer, vice president of marketing, vice president of sales, vice president of strategic relations and the vice president of operations.

Vitalink also announced, effective today, that Tony Banta has been appointed acting vice president of manufacturing and service. Formerly assistant vice president of manufacturing, Banta has been with Vitalink since 1984.

Vitalink also announced that it has accepted the resignation of Mike Yost, vice president of operations, responsible for manufacturing, service and engineering. Yost left the company to pursue other opportunities. In his absence, Rick Gilbert, assistant vice president of software engineering and Avner Ben-Dor, assistant vice president of systems engineering will report directly to Denend.

Founded in 1980, Vitalink Communications Corp. manufactures and markets a family of LAN interconnect processors including Ethernet and Token-Ring bridges and bridge/routers, and a comprehensive network management system. Over 16,000 units are installed worldwide, reflecting the company's position as a leading supplier of internetworking systems used to build large, multivendor computer networks.

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#90307d0100 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD, (NOV 3) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein vowed Saturday to fight what he termed ''the battle of honour, dignity and Islam'' against the U.S.-led multinational forces deployed in the Gulf region.

He stressed that there could be no peace in the Gulf as long as thousands of U.S., British and French troops remained in the oil-rich region.

Saddam made his remarks during his meeting in the Iraqi capital with a delegation from the Secretariat General of the International Federation of the Arab Labor Unions, Baghdad Radio said.

Saddam said his current conflict with the U.S.-led alliance over the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait was a battle for the defence of Moslem holy places.

''It is a social, nationalist, humanitarian and Islamic battle. We are ready for sacrifices,'' he declared.

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#90307d0140 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD, (NOV 3) - President Saddam Hussein said Saturday that European workers would be allowed to leave Iraq, while in parliament the speaker said Iraq would release all foreign hostages if guaranteed it would not be attacked, the state news agency reported.

Mr. Hussein made his decision in response to a request from an Arab labor union delegation "to allow European workers in Iraq to leave the country," the state Iraqi News Agency (INA) said.

The agency did not specify the number of hostages to be affected by the decision or which countries were involved.

Iraqi parliamentary speaker Saadi Mehdi Saleh said that Iraq was prepared to liberate all of its foreign hostages "on condition that it receives assurances that it will not be attacked and that the five permanent members of the (U.N.) Security Council undertake to choose peaceful methods to settle all the region's problems," INA reported.

Mr. Saleh was speaking at the start of a special parliament session to discuss a two-point peace initiative.

Mr. Saleh said for all foreigners to be allowed to go home the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council should also deploy efforts for a peace settlement to "all the problems of the region."

Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2 and subsequently annexed the tiny emirate.

On August 12 Mr. Hussein proposed an overall settlement to the Middle East crisis, namely an unconditional end to Israel's 23-year occupation of Arab territories.

Earlier Saturday Mr. Saleh told reporters that parliament would be meeting to discuss a two-point peace initiative that calls on "two countries among France the Soviet Union, China, Japan and Germany to commit themselves to giving guarantees against a recourse to the military option."

He said the second point called on the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council "to give guarantees ruling out a military option and to find a peaceful solution" to the Gulf crisis.

The United States and Britain are permanent Security Council members, alongside China, France and the Soviet Union.

About two million foreigners lived in Iraq and Kuwait before the Gulf crisis broke out but although tens of thousands have been able to leave the region many more remain.

Some 4,000 Westerners and Japanese are being held against their will, including about 400 "human shields" detained in Iraqi and Kuwaiti strategic sites to deter a much-feared Western-led attack.

A U.S.-led alliance has some 300,000 soldiers in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf.

In a related development, four ill and elderly U.S nationals were released Saturday by Baghdad and arrived in Amman on their way home.

"I will not feel well until I'm on American soil," said one of them looking weary as another former hostage was being helped by a member of the U.S. embassy.

The official Iraqi news agency INA said the four were released in response to a request by a U.S. delegation visiting Baghdad.

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#90307d0240 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA, (NOV 3) - The Iraqi National Assembly (parliament) on Saturday unanimously approved a presidential proposal to authorise the release of some 690 Bulgarian nationals held in Iraq and Kuwait against their will, the Iraqi

news agency INA said.

On October 23, President Saddam Hussein urged parliament to consider the release of the "Bulgarian guests", following a visit to Baghdad by the Bulgarian Vice President Atanas Semerdjiev.

A similar suggestion by Mr. Hussein was approved by parliament last month authorising some 330 French nationals detained in the country to return home.

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#90307d0560 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIF, (NOV 3) - Kuwait's exiled Emir Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah Saturday appealed to peace-loving states in the world to force Iraq to pull out its troops from his Iraqi-annexed country.

He made the plea in a speech to the Kuwaiti people and the world marking the passing of three months on Iraq's invasion of the oil emirate, the Kuwaiti News Agency (Kuna) said.

The Emir delivered the speech from his temporary residence in the Saudi summer resort of Taif, where he and other members of the ruling Sabah family had sought refuge after Iraqi forces marched into Kuwait on August 2nd.

Sheikh Jaber reiterated that the only way to end the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait was through a strict and firm implementation of the resolutions of Arab and Islamic meetings and the United Nations Security Council.

These resolutions, which Baghdad has rejected, called for a total and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the reinstatement of the legitimate government led by the exiled Emir.

''We affirm that there is no way to end this (Iraqi) occupation and establish security in the world except through a full and firm application of the resolutions of the U.N. Security Council, Arab summit and the Islamic foreign ministers in this respect,'' Jaber said.

''We hope that all peace-loving states will intensify their moves to uproot the evil tendency of the Iraqi regime, the aggressor, and force it to yield to the international will,'' he added.

Despite the failure of diplomatic efforts to make Iraqi President Saddam Hussein budge on the conquest of Kuwait, Jaber expressed confidence that his country would eventually be liberated.

''The sun of liberation will rise on the pure land of Kuwait soon, God willing. The invaders will be forced to withdraw,'' he said.

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#90307d0800 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
THOUSAND OAKS, CALIFORNIA (NOV 3) - President George Bush announced Saturday he would sign a clear air bill passed last month by Congress which should reduce by 50 per cent the toxic emmissions responsible for acid rain.

Mr. Bush, campaigning here for Republican candidates in next Tuesday's elections, called the clean air act "a major domestic achievement .... the most significant air pollution legislation in the history of this country."

"We need a new environmentalism driven by the knowledge that a sound ecology and a strong economy can go forward together," Mr. Bush told a rally in this environment-conscious state.

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#90307d1000 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM, (NOV 3) - A Palestinian was killed and more than 130 others hurt by Israeli gunfire in the occupied Gaza Strip Saturday during clashes sparked by the death in prison of a Palestinian, Palestinian sources said.

Two Palestinians suspected of collaborating with the Israeli occupation authorities were also killed over the last 24 hours in the Gaza Strip, the sources said.

The funeral of prisoner Atiya Abdel Ati al Zaanin, 32, who died in Gaza jail, turned into a violent demonstration in his home village of Beit Hanoun, after which the violence spread to the whole Gaza Strip.

According to the Israeli army, the prisoner hanged himself in his cell.

His family said he died under interrogation or was victim of some kind of maltreatment by the security services.

A demonstrator, Mohammed Eizat al Bassiouny, aged 19, was fatally wounded in the head by a bullet and 43 others were hurt at Beit Hanoun, Palestinian and Israeli military sources said.

More than 90 others were also wounded by Israeli gunfire in clashes which then ensued in other parts of the Gaza Strip, Palestinian sources said.

Atiya Abdel was arrested two weeks ago by the Israeli army. He had been imprisoned several times in the past for activities on behalf of Fatah, which is part of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).

In December 1989, a Palestinian prisoner was found dead in similar circumstances in the Gaza jail. The army said he, too, had hanged himself, his

family that he had been murdered or tortured to death under interrogation.

Two other prisoners died in the same prison in 1989 from ill-treatment during interrogation or for lack of proper care, according to investigations made by the Israeli police.

The death of Mohamed Eizat in Saturday's clashes brought to 742 the number of Palestinians shot dead by the Israeli military or settlers since the Palestinian uprising in the occupied territories began in December 1987, according to a count kept by Agence France-Presse on the basis of Palestinian sources.

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#90307d1090 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW, (NOV 3) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev met at the Kremlin on Saturday with Moldavian President Mirchea Snegur and the president of the self-proclaimed Gagauz republic, Stepan Topal, to discuss the current crisis in Moldavia, the news agency Tass reported.

The participants called for dismantling volunteer militias on both sides and for a moratorium on measures taken by both sides since the beginning of the crisis, according to Tass.

The leaders also agreed that a return to calm depended on "the maintenance of the territorial integrity of Moldavia within the Soviet Union," Tass said.

The conflict broke out when the Moldavian region of Gagauz, inhabited by ethnic Turks observing Orthodox Christianity, held legislative elections in late October, causing Moldavian authorities to declare a state of emergency in the area.

Meanwhile, conservative Soviet deputies called on Saturday for the immediate sacking of Interior Minister Vadim Bakatine, whom they accused of having "allowed creation of units of armed Moldavian vigilantes," Tass reported.

The deputies, who belong to Soyuz, a group opposed to the breakup of the Soviet Union, also threatened to raise the question of confidence in Mr. Gorbachev if "energetic measures" were not taken "in defense of the constitutional rights of Soviet citizens."

Observers said that the statement was an allusion to complaints by ethnic Russian minorities in several republics that they are the victims of discrimination by local authorities.

On Friday, Tass reported that fighting between Moldavians and ethnic Russians left six people dead and at least 30 wounded in a Russian-speaking region of Moldavia which had proclaimed itself an independent republic.

Meanwhile, representatives of groups defending the rights of Russian-speaking minorities in outlying republics and opposing the breakup of the Soviet Union called for "physical elimination" of Mr. Gorbachev and Russian President Boris Yeltsin, Tass reported.

The groups also denounced the "negligence" of Mr. Gorbachev's policy towards nationalist movements within the country, according to Tass.

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#90307d1100 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUENOS AIRES, (NOV 3) - An Argentine Navy helicopter crashed into the Red Sea as it was trying to land on the guided-missile destroyer Admiral Brown, part of the international force arrayed against Iraq, officials said Saturday.

The two-man crew was rescued and the French-made Alouette helicopter was recovered after the crash, which occured Thursday just 30 meters (90 feet) from the Admiral Brown, a navy communique said.

The communique blamed the crash on unspecified engine trouble and said the helicopter, which was equipped with an emergency floatation device, was severely damaged in the accident and could not be repaired aboard the Admiral Brown.

The helicopter was one of two Alouettes operating from the destroyer, which was sent along with the missile-carrying corvette Spiro last month by Argentine President Carlos Menem to participate in the naval and air blockade of Iraq.

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#90307d1190 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SHANNON, IRELAND, (NOV 3) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker indicated on Saturday that he plans to sound out partners in the anti-Iraq coalition in the Gulf about possible use of force against Baghdad.

Speaking to correspondents in his airplane at the start of a week's tour of the Middle East and Europe, Mr. Baker said that "This will improve the prospects for a peaceful resolution, and at the same time, permit us to be prepared to consider all options if peaceful ones don't work" in putting an end to the Gulf crisis.

He recalled that the United States did not rule out the military option to dislodge Iraq from Kuwait, but refused to indicate the military questions he would discuss with U.S. partners in the Gulf force.

During the trip, he is to meet with the foreign ministers of the other four members of the United Nations Security Council: the Soviet Union, China,

Britain and France.

The secretary of state noted that the United States considers it is entitled to use force against Iraq under Article 51 of the U.N. Charter, recognizing the right of "individual and collective" legitimate defence.

But President George Bush "would like to maintain as much of the international consensus as he can", he added.

The Soviet Union has said it would accept a military operation against Iraq only if authorized by the Security Council.

Mr. Baker said the priority now was to "strengthen" political, economic and military sanctions on Iraq, but in talking to U.S. partners during his trip, "We want to know under what conditions and subject to what restraints they would be willing to consider certain types of actions".

He is to visit Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Egypt (where he will meet with Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Quichen), the Soviet Union, Britain and France. He does not plan to go to Damascus, but said he might meet with a member of the Syrian government during his trip.

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#90307d8930 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS, (NOV 3) - Amid increasing acrimony, farm and trade ministers of the European Economic Community (EEC) are to meet here Monday in their sixth attempt in less than a month to break a farm subsidy deadlock.

A decision is crucial for the success of a ministerial meeting of the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) scheduled here December 3-7.

The GATT conference is supposed to finalise four years of negotiations to end expensive distortions in world trade by removing protectionist measures.

But the run-up has been characterised by brinkmanship and accusations of bad faith that some participants have warned could wreck the conference and worsen, instead of remove, barriers to world trade.

Denmark recently accused France and Germany of "sabotaging" an opportunity for European farmers to benefit from more free trade.

Argentina has charged the EEC and Japan of following protectionist policies that could lead to crisis. Canada has labelled the EEC position "reprehensible".

Australia said it would consider joining a trading bloc with Asian neighbours

if GATT failed and the United States has warned of the possibility of full-scale trade wars.

Monday's talks centre around the inability of the EEC Twelve to agree on a bargaining position in GATT. The EEC is the only trading bloc that failed to meet an October 15 deadline to make proposals.

The European Commission, the executive arm of the EEC, has tabled a proposal to cut internal subsidies paid to farmers by 30 per cent between 1986 and 1996. Taking in cuts already made, this would mean 15 per cent over the next decade.

The United States, backed by the Cairns Group of farm exporting countries,

wants much more: 75 per cent cuts in domestic supports for farmers and tariff barriers and a 90 per cent cut in export subsidies over the next 10 years.

European Commission President Jacques Delors, echoing a significant slice of French public opinion, recently called the U.S. position a "bluff".

The commision proposal has been dismissed as excessive by some EEC countries, notably Germany and France, which insist on "accompanying measures" for farmers who would be worst hit by subsidy cuts.

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#90307d8950 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA, (NOV 3) - Authorities Saturday re-imposed a curfew here after two days of communal violence between militant Moslems and minority Hindus.

The curfew had been lifted for ten hours early Saturday to allow government offices and banks closed since Thursday to re-open.

The curfew was re-imposed Saturday afternoon to head off a procession by Moslem fundamentalists. Police fired on a mob of 50 people looting shops in the Rampura district while the curfew had been lifted, eyewitnesses said.

Businesses in riot-torn old quarter of Dhaka Saturday stayed shut and schools classes suspended . Moslems began rioting in the old city on Thursday,

tering down temples and looting Hindu-owned shops in a reaction to the Babri mosque crisis in India.

About 500 people, including 65 policemen, have been injured in the violence which erupted in the Lalbagh, Kotwali and Sutrapur districts of Dhaka, which have a large Hindu population.

A senior police official said the curfew had been re-imposed to thwart a planned procession by the militant Moslem Mujahid party. Army units deployed in

the city since Thursday patrolled the streets and guarded Hindu places of worship.

About 150 people were arrested Friday after some 1,000 Moslem fundamentalists tried to organise a protest march from the city's Baitul Mukarram mosque. Another 350 people were detained for violation of curfew orders.

Hindu worshippers have started repairing damaged temples in Dhaka and in the southern Chittagong city. The government has announced compensation for the victims of the communal violence.

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#90307d9040 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA, (NOV 3) - Iraq called Saturday for an urgent meeting in Tunis of Arab League foreign ministers to keep the 21-member organization from "serving the interests of the United States", the Iraqi News Agency reported.

A foreign ministry spokesman, quoted by the agency, called on Arab foreign ministers to "protect the institutions of the League and prevent them from becoming a tool to serve U.S. plans".

Iraq does not recognize the recent transfer of the League's headquarters from Tunis to Cairo, the spokesman said, charging that the decision was taken "through force and blackmail, in an illegal procedure".

He accused Egypt of failing to respect an Arab League ministerial decision endorsed on March 11 for a phased and gradual return of the body to its initial heaquarters in Cairo.

"Egypt, which has plotted to divide Arab ranks in a bid to promote American-Zionist plans in the region, has sabotaged a common Arab action (the March 11 decision) and imposed its hegemony on the League to place it at the service of plans that are hostile to the Arab nation," the spokesman said.

He urged Arab countries to "adopt a responsible position" on the issue by holding an "urgent meeting in Tunis."

The spokesman suggested that an Arab League headquarters be set up in Tunis for "Arabs" while another one be erected elsewhere for the "partisans of the American-Zionist camp."

The immediate return of Arab league headquarters to Cairo was decided at an emergency ministerial meeting that took place in the Egyptian capital on September 10 with the participation of only 12 of the League's 21 members.

Tunis has been hosting the Arab League since 1979, when the body pulled out of Cairo to punish Egypt for signing a peace treaty with Israel.

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#90307d9050 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FRANKFURT, GERMANY (NOV 3) - Former German chancellor Willy Brandt said here Saturday he would "in principle" go to Baghdad by himself Monday following an invitation by Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

The German government has warned that there should be no "isolated actions" to free hostages held by Iraq. But Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said Saturday: ''One can only hope that such a trip will succeed in getting freedom for people.''

Chancellor Helmut Kohl suggested that Mr. Brandt, president of the Socialist International, be accompanied by Italian Emilio Colombo, a Christian Democrat, and Belgian Willy de Clercq, a Liberal, to give the trip a Europe-wide framework.

Italy has since said that it was opposed to Mr. Brandt's plan to visit Iraq unless he receives United Nations backing for his mission.

Mr. Brandt arrived here Saturday after seeking support for his plan in talks with U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar in New York.

"The secretary-general Perez de Cuellar clearly stated that the United Nations cannot do anything," Mr. Brandt said.

In New York, Mr. Brandt said it was "important to listen to what the people in Baghdad think."

A spokesman for the opposition Social Democratic Party (SPD) said a Lufthansa jetliner that will take Mr. Brandt to Baghdad Monday will also carry medicine to Iraq. Mr. Brandt is honorary chairman of the SPD.

Lufthansa, the national German airline, said Friday it had been asked to prepare a 250-seat Airbus A300-600 for Mr. Brandt.

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#90307d9060 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD, (NOV 3) - Medicine worth three million Swedish kronor (nearly 450,000 dollars) was expected here Saturday as a gift of peace to Iraqi children from Swedish medical groups, Al Jumhuriya newspaper reported.

The daily, citing Stek Bern, a member of a Swedish "peace delegation" currently visiting Iraq, failed to identify the Swedish medical associations that were sending the medicine.

Medicine is exempt from a U.N. trade embargo against Iraq.

The "peace delegation" is currently visiting Iraq to seek the release of Swedish nationals detained here and in Kuwait against their will since Iraq's August 2 invasion of the emirate.

Earlier, a Swedish doctor who worked at the Al Bitar Hospital in Baghdad was granted an exit visa with five Irish and one British citizen, a spokesman for Sweden's foreign ministry said in Stockholm.

On Wednesday five Swedish MPs, members of a Palestinian-Swedish association, obtained authorisation for the return home of six of the 80 Swedish nationals held here.

A few days earlier four other Swedes, including a doctor working for the Al Bitar Hospital in Baghdad, were sent home following a visit here by Swedish Foreign Ministry special envoy Peter Osvald.

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#90307d9170 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD, (NOV 3) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on Saturday urged foreign troops to withdraw from holy sites in Saudi Arabia, and said "we must strike" at those plotting against the Arab nation, Baghdad Radio reported.

Speaking to "a delegation of Arab union officials," Mr. Hussein said it was "absolutely necessary for foreign forces to leave Islam's territories and holy sites," a reference to U.S. and foreign troop deployments in Saudi Arabia.

"We must strike the head of those who plot against the (Arab) nation instead of kowtowing to them or bargaining with them over the holy sites," he said.

Islam's holiest sites of Mecca and Medina are located in Saudi Arabia.

Foreign troops were dispatched to the kingdom and the Gulf region after Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait to shore up Saudi defenses against any Iraqi attack.

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#90307d9180 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST, (NOV 3) - Representatives of the six Warsaw Pact countries here Saturday signed an treaty to set the maximum permitted levels of conventional arms in the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland, Romania and Bulgaria.

Agreement on the internal document was delayed for several hours after last minute disagreements described by conference sources as ''technical

difficulties''.

Two of the six countries did not send their foreign ministers to sign the document which was prepeared last weekend in Prague.

Czech Foreign Minister Jiri Dienstbier was absent owing to illness while Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said ''other commitments'' prevented him from attending.

The agreement seals the outcome of protracted talks between the countries on separate limits for conventional arms in accordance with the results of talks in Vienna on conventional forces in Europe.

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#90307d9420 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME, (NOV 3) - Financial experts from 27 countries will meet here Monday for talks on the crisis caused by Iraq's occupation of Kuwait, officials announced Saturday.

The 27-nation "financial coordination group" -- which includes Arab oil producing countries, representatives from the European Commission, which is the European Economic Community's (EEC) executive branch, and the United States -- will give oil producing and main oil consuming countries a chance to talk about the Gulf crisis, the officials said.

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#90307d9450 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO, (NOV 3) - Japanese fishermen Saturday killed some 600 dolphins stranded in shallow water in southern Japan, the spokesman for a local fisheries cooperative said.

Fishermen of Fukue Island, in southern Japan's Nagasaki Prefecture, on their way back to port found 2,000 to 3,000 dolphins off the coast late Friday, the spokesman said.

They tried to chase away the dolphins, which damage coastal fishing, but 600 were trapped at low tide after they followed the fishermen into a shallow bay, he said.

The fishermen killed and dismembered some of the dolphins Saturday for eating, he said, and would bury the rest later.

Dolphins trapped in the bay eventually died, said the spokesman. "It's better that they don't come. They disrupt our work."

He said the people of the area still ate dolphins when they were caught, but

not as often as they used to. "We don't need this many dolphins," he added.

Animal protection groups overseas have criticized the Japanese tradition of eating dolphins.

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#90307d9640 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA, (NOV 3) - Former Saudi oil minister Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani predicted that oil would drop to 15 dollars a barrel "and even lower" after the Gulf crisis, in an interview published Saturday by a Swiss economic monthly Bilan.

"From a strictly economic point of view, the current price should not be more than 22 dollars," he said.

Sheikh Yamani was dismissed at the end of 1986 by King Fahd after heading Saudi Arabia's oil ministry for more than 20 years.

Oil experts said the price of oil just before Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, 21 dollars, corresponded in real terms to the price just before the first petrol shock in 1973-74.

Sheikh Yamani, who now has business interests in Switzerland and manages an energy studies and analysis foundation in London, said he did not think that "the main oil companies would push their prices higher. They know their own long-term interests. High prices would jeopardize their plans."

He also said the anti-trust law should be temporarily side-lined to allow oil companies to meet and disss prices.

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#90307d9670 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA, (NOV 3) - Price increases ranging from 30 to 360 per cent for alcoholic beverages and vinegar are to take effect throughout Bulgaria on Monday, according to press reports.

The price of vodka will jump by 80 per cent, raki by 100 per cent, wine by 240 per cent and vinegar by 360 per cent.

Five private stores with meat and milk prices three times superior to those in state stores will open here Monday.

Many Sofia residents patronize private stores to avoid lines sometimes measuring several hundred meters long outside of state stores.

Prime Minister Andrei Lukanov said Thursday that state-controlled prices for

primary products would increase by 35 to 40 per cent before the end of the year.

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#90307d9740 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD, (NOV 3) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said on Saturday that European workers held hostage in Iraq would be allowed to return home, the news agency INA reported.

Mr. Hussein made his decision in response to a request from an Arab labor union delegation "to allow European workers in Iraq to leave the country," INA said.

The agency did not specify the number of hostages to be affected by the decision.

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#90307d9810 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN, (NOV 3) - Three French soldiers captured Monday by Iraqi troops arrived here Saturday on their way home aboard a regular Iraqi Airways flight, correspondents at the Amman airport said.

They were expected to catch an Air France flight for Paris at 10:50 p.m. (2050 GMT), well-informed sources said.

The soldiers had been handed over to the French embassy in Baghdad after their capture on Monday.

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#90307d9920 11/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD, (NOV 3) - Iraq is willing to release all the foreign hostages if it receives assurances that it will not be attacked, the speaker of the Iraqi parliament Saadi Mehdi Saleh said here Saturday at the start of a special parliamentary session to discuss a peace initiative.

President Saddam Hussein earlier said in a statement carried by the official INA news agency that European workers held in Iraq would be allowed to go home.

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#90307p3159 11/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY (NOV. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The United Auto Workers union early Saturday announced it initiated a strike against Navistar International Transportation Corp. after negotiators for the Company and union were unsuccessful in reaching agreement in marathon bargaining sessions on new

labor agreements before the deadline tonight imposed by the UAW.

The action by the UAW affects approximately 8,000 UAW-represented production, maintenance and clerical employees at Navistar plants and operations in Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Ohio and Texas. Despite the strike action by the UAW, Navistar said it expects negotiations to continue during the weekend in an on-going effort to achieve an agreement on new labor pacts.

Navistar said substantial progress had been made prior to the deadline, but acknowledged that a number of important issues have not been resolved.

The agreements that expired had been in effect since November, 1967 and were originally scheduled to end on October 1, 1990. However, these agreements had remained in effect until tonight under an extension agreement.

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#90307u0038 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 2) UPI - Ivana Trump announced Friday that she is filing for divorce from Donald Trump following months of bitter feuding and estrangement.

A single sentence statement from the Manhattan office of lawyer Michael Kennedy said, ''Through her attorneys, Ivana Trump announced today that with deep regret she is filing for divorce.''

Since the 13-year-old marriage ruptured last February with a barrage of media headlines, Ivana Trump and her lawyers have been haggling over property agreements the couple signed said to entitle her to $25 million of her husband's wealth.

Donald Trump recently began socializing publicly with his girlfriend, model Marla Maples, while his highly leveraged real estate and casino empire has been tottering under the weight of financial setbacks.

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#90307u0079 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 3) UPI - One economic analyst says- ''The recession has begun.'' Another says- ''We've lost our footing, that's for sure.'' Their responses came after the federal government announced a dip of eight-tenths of one percent in the Index of Leading Economic Indicators. The government also announced unemployment stayed the same... five and seven-tenths percent... last month.

Federal officials report radioactive contamination of several floors of a Veterans Administration hospital. The V-A hospital is in La Jolla ,

California. Officials say the contamination apparently is NOT a serious health risk to hospital patients and staff... except to four laboratory workers involved in spilling a radioactive isotope powder used in cancer research.

A symbol of the nation's thrift scandal... Lincoln Savings and Loan in Irvine, California... is up for sale. The federal government's Resolution Trust Corporation put ''for sale'' signs up at Lincoln and 17 other seized thrifts Friday. Lincoln was owned by Charles Keating, who is under indictment.

The National Mortgage Bank of Greece has pleaded guilty to accepting hundreds of Millions of dollars in illegal deposits, laundering Millions in cash and operating an illegal bank in the United States. In addition, four of the Athens-based bank's New York employees pleaded guilty to conspiracy.

Anti-abortion activists filed an appeal with the U-S Supreme Court... challenging the settlement in an Illinois abortion case. The appeal argues that a settlement reached before the case went to the high court last year was illegal becase it re-wrote state law.

The president of Rwanda made a conciliatory offer to warring rebels. He says his country is ready for multi-party democracy. The rebels have NOT responded to the president's offer. He also says he will welcome home thousands of Rwandans who fled the country when civil war broke out a month ago.

News reports from India say a radical Hindu group will continue trying to build a temple in the north Indian holy city... despite violence that has left more than 160 people dead. Radicals want a 460- year-old Moslem mosque at the site relocated.

An acquittal in the ''Pottygate'' case. A jury in Houston found Denise Wells innocent of violating a city ordinance against using a bathroom for the opposite sex in a disruptive manner. She used a men's room at a concert at The Summit arena because the line at the women's rooms were too long.

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#90307u0087 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

CLYDE, OHIO (NOV. 3) UPI - Army food never tasted like this.

Residents of this small, but spirited community will spend the weekend shipping an estimated 12,000 homemade cookies for U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia.

Dubbed Operation Cookie - a takeoff on the code name for the real military deployment, Operation Desert Shield - has involved scores of the town's 5,500 residents, organizers said.

''We haven't had anything of this magnitude in a long time,'' said William Lawrence, director of the massive baking project and former military officer

who served 33 years in the Army, including a ''few months'' in the Sahara Desert during World War II.

Residents have been baking all week, following recipes for treats that will stand up to the searing desert heat. Recipies for ''heat- resistant'' cookies were published in the weekly newspaper, The Clyde Enterprise.

Newly baked cookies will be packaged and sent to the post office for shipping to the Middle East, expected to take about two weeks.

Some of the cookies are being sent to soldiers from Clyde and the rest will be packaged for distribution to American troops ''who need help with morale,'' Lawrence said.

Letters, pens and other items from ''home'' will accompany the baked goods. In addition to private bakers, cookies were also made by local schools and commercial bakeries.

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#90307u0104 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 3) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Baseball

Cleveland - Named Harry Spilman minor- league hitting instructor, Dyar Miller pitching coach and Gary Tuck a minor- league manager.

San Diego - Named Bruce Kimm third-base coach.

San Francisco - Agreed to terms with outfielder Rick Leach and catcher Terry Kennedy on 1-year contracts.

Basketball

San Jose (CBA) - Acquired forward Ray Foster and a third-round draft choice from Pensacola for forward Hubert Henderson; waived guards Rodney Fuller and Freddie McSwain.

Football

Atlanta - Recalled wide receiver Stacey Bailey off waivers.

Dallas - Placed wide received Rod Harris on injured reserve; activated wide receiver Derrick Shepard.

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(NOV. 3) UPI - SATURDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR

(All times EDT)
Basketball
LA Lakers at San Antonio, 3:30 p.m.
Boston at New York, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Denver at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Milwaukee, 9 p.m.
Utah vs. Phoenix at Tokyo, 10 p.m.
Houston at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Portland at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Golf
Hanno City, Japan - $550,000 Mazda Japan Classic
Los Angeles - $500,000 Security Pacific Seniors Classic
Tokyo - $1.15 million PGA Four Tours World Championship

Hockey
Chicago at Philadelphia, 1:05 p.m.
Buffalo at Boston, 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Hartford, 7:35 p.m.
Minnesota at Quebec, 7:35 p.m.
Washington at NY Islanders, 7:35 p.m.
NY Rangers at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
New Jersey at Edmonton, 8:05 p.m.
Detroit at Montreal, 8:05 p.m.
Calgary at Toronto, 8:05 p.m.
Winnipeg at Vancouver, 8:05 p.m.

Tennis
Nashville, Tenn. - $150,000 Virginia Slims of Nashville
Oakland, Calif. - $350,000 Virginia Slims of California
Paris - $2 million Paris Open

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#90307u0112 11/03/1990 ~United Press International
THOUSAND OAKS, CA (NOV. 3) UPI - President Bush will have his turkey dinner on Thanksgiving Day with American troops in the blistering sands of Saudi Arabia, where he will also consult with regional leaders about the 3-month-old standoff with Saddam Hussein.

The White House announced the long-anticipated trip Friday, but apparently for security reason did not disclose the exact location of the presidential visit.

The announcement came as Bush dug in against the Iraqi dictator, saying that ''no one wants a peaceful solution more than I do (but) no one is more determined to reverse'' Saddam's ''naked aggression'' against occupied Kuwait.

White House Press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the Nov. 22 visit with the troops will cap an eight-day trip by the president with stops in Paris, Prague Czechoslovakia, and unidentified cities in Egypt and Saudi Arabia. Mrs. Bush was expected to accompany the president.

The president is on a six-day tour in the United States in support of Republican candidates in next Tuesday's election. He planned to make campaign stops in California and New Mexico Saturday and then go on to Texas, where he'll stay through election day.

Fitzwater said Bush will leave Washington Nov. 16 and will arrive the following day in Prague to commemorate the first anniversary of Czechoslovakia's ''Velvet Revolution'' from communist rule, and for meetings with President Vaclav Havel and leaders of the Czech and Slovak republics.

Fitzwater said Bush will visit Germany on Nov. 18 for a meeting with Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Kohl's vacation residence Ludwigshafen 40 miles south of Frankfurt.

He said the president will travel later that day to Paris, where he will participate in the Nov. 19-21 summit meeting of the 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe. During that meeting Bush is expected to sign with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and the other foreign leaders a conventional arms reduction treaty.

Fitzwater said Bush will travel to Saudi Arabia and Egypt for consultations on the gulf crisis with Saudi's King Fahd and Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak. He also will meet with the Sheikh Jabir Al Sabah, the Emir of Kuwait, who has lived in exile in Taif, Saudi Arabia, since Iraq invaded and annexed his country last Aug. 2.

Bush will spend Thanksgiving Day with U.S. troops in the gulf and return to Washington the following day, Nov. 23.

The gulf crisis, along with Bush's repeated call for ''more Republicans in Congress,'' has been a chief topic of his campaign swing that began Thursday with stops in Massachusetts and Florida.

Bush addressed a rally in Cincinnati Friday before moving on to Rochester, Minn. He arranged to go to Sioux City, Iowa, later Frdiday and then head on to California and New Mexico.

Bush plans to vote in Houston on Election Day and then return to Washington.

At at the GOP rally in Cincinnati, Bush promised to do ''my level best'' to bring every American soldier back from the Persian Gulf ''without a shot being fired in anger.''

''But we will not stop short of our stated objective,'' that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait, Bush declared, drawing sustained applause. ''We are the United States of America and we are standing for principle and that principle must prevail.''

The president's impassioned remarks followed several days of tough rhetoric against Saddam, raising concerns that the United States was moving toward a military option.

Bush told a news conference in Orlando, Fla., Thursday, ''I am not trying to prepare our country for war,'' but aides said he was seeking to ready Americans for every possible eventuality.

He spoke Friday at Cincinnati's Westin Hotel where a few demonstrators outside carried signs reading: ''U.S. troops out of the gulf'' and ''no war for oil.''

Later in the day, he addressed an enthusiastic GOP rally at John Marshall High School in Rochester, Minn.

As he has done on earlier campaign stops, Bush made a plug for the GOP, and then, as the nation's commander in chief focused on a ''non- partisan issue,'' the ''crisis in the gulf.''

''There will be no compromise,'' Bush said. ''We can't allow one country to bully another.''

There are now 210,000 American troops in the gulf region and the Pentagon has indicated plans to raise the figure by another 100,000.

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(NOV. 3) UPI - NBA STANDINGS

Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division

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Boston	1	0	1.000	-
Miami	1	0	1.000	-
New York	1	0	1.000	-
Philadelphia	1	0	1.000	-

New Jersey	0	1	.000	1
Washington	0	1	.000	1

Central Division

Atlanta	1	0	1.000	-
Detroit	1	0	1.000	-
Indiana	1	0	1.000	-
Chicago	0	1	.000	1
Charlotte	0	1	.000	1
Cleveland	0	1	.000	1
Milwaukee	0	1	.000	1

Western Conference

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Minnesota	1	0	1.000	-
San Antonio	0	0	.000	1/2
Dallas	0	1	.000	1
Denver	0	1	.000	1
Houston	0	1	.000	1
Orlando	0	1	.000	1
Utah	0	1	.000	1

Pacific Division

Golden State	1	0	1.000	-
LA Clippers	1	0	1.000	-
Phoenix	1	0	1.000	-
Portland	1	0	1.000	-
LA Lakers	0	0	.000	1/2
Seattle	0	0	.000	1/2
Sacramento	0	1	.000	1

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(NOV. 3) UPI - Wall Street closed sharply higher on expectations that interest rates will fall. A fall in the price of oil also helped. The Dow Jones industrial average jumped 36 points.

The Index of Leading Economic Indicators fell nearly one percent in September. One economic analyst said a recession has begun. The October unemployment rate was unchanged at five-point-seven percent.

Detroit Mayor Coleman Young says about 60 more fires than last year were set in the three-day Halloween period. The total was 281 fires. The time is a traditional one for arson in Detroit.

The murder trial of actor Marlon Brando's son, Christian Brando, has been

postponed indefinitely. The California appeals court is to decide whether to make efforts to return the defendant's sister from Tahiti to testify.

Federal officials say a radioactive substance was spilled on several floors of a Veterans Administration hospital in La jolla, California. Officials say it is NOT a threat to anybody except four laboratory workers.

A Houston jury has acquitted a woman who was ticketed for using a men's rest room during a concert. She said she did NOT want to wait in the long line at the women's room.

Chinese foresters report seeing a rare Manchurian tiger cub in northeast China. It was playing with its mother. Manchurian tigers have NOT been seen in year, prompting speculation the species was extinct.

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#90307u0170 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 3) UPI - The New York Islanders pushed back the years Friday night, playing like the Stanley Cup champions they used to be instead of the Patrick division patsies they've turned into lately.

Joe Reekie scored his first goal of the season at 5:40 of the third period, helping the Islanders snap the New York Rangers' record home season-opening winning streak at eight with a 3-2 victory.

Going into the game, the Rangers boasted the best record in the NHL and the Islanders were last in the Patrick division with one of the worst records in the league. But the Islanders took control from the outset, taking a 2-0 first-period lead then holding off the charging Rangers with superb goaltending from Glenn Healy.

Healy was making his first start since being sidelined with a leg injury.

''You never know how a player will come back from an injury,'' said Islanders Coach Al Arbour, ''but for a goalkeeper to do what Healy did is surprising. It was the little things that made the difference, like better communication with the defensemen.

''They stood up better because they had more confidence in him. That probably saved two or three goals and that was the difference.''

It was the first time the two teams faced each other in the regular season since their bloody confrontation in last season's playoffs. Friday's game was played at a frenzied level of physical intensity, with a game misconduct for slashing handed out to Rangers defenseman Randy Moller.

''They shut down our power play but we shut them down completely,'' Pat

LaFontaine said. ''Healy played a wonderful game. We knew they were hot and they scored a lot of goals. I think we still were thinking about last year's playoffs.''

Ray Sheppard pulled the Rangers into a 2-2 tie with his fourth goal of the season when he converted a Bernie Nicholls rebound at 1:28 of the third period.

''The key to the game was when they got the third goal so quickly after we had tied it,'' Vanbiesbrouck said. ''I thought we were going to win then but the third goal took a lot out of us. We sagged then.''

The victory was only the fourth of the season for the Islanders, while the Rangers suffered their fourth loss of the year.

Elsewhere in the NHL, Washington edged Los Angeles 4-3.

Capitals 4, Kings 3

At Landover, Md., Michal Pivonka scored the tie-breaking goal early in the third period and Washington killed off all four Los Angeles power-play chances.Pivonka scored on a 50-foot shot at 3:39 to lift the Capitals to their third-straight victory. Wayne Gretzky, the NHL's all- time scorer, collected a goal and an assist for 28 points this season, tops in the league.

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#90307u0189 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 3) UPI - Two explosions seriously damaged railway lines and halted trains in the central South African city of Bloemfontein early Saturday, police said.

Police Capt. Mariaan Linder said she had no immediate reports of casualties and no one had claimed responsibility for the pre-dawn blasts.

Linder said the explosions, caused by unidentified devices, halted trains after shattering railways nearby a bus terminus used mainly by black commuters.

African National Congress official Moses Seheri said rightwing elements may have been trying to scare off delegates to an ANC regional conference in the conservative city later in the day.

But Linder said, ''It is too early to blame any particular group, rightwing or otherwise... we have very few details.''

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(NOV. 3) UPI - Denver Nuggets Coach Paul Westhead's run-at-all-costs system

has a lot of detractors, but it found an admirer in one of the most respected names in basketball - Golden State Warriors Coach Don Nelson.

''To be quite honest, with a couple more shots, (the Nuggets') system worked, so I'm not going to be the one to knock it,'' Nelson said after the Warriors outran Denver for a 162-158 victory over the Nuggets.

It didn't take long for Westhead's all-out style to make NBA history, either. The two teams set a league record for most points scored in a regulation game, breaking the old mark of 318 set by Denver and San Antonio in 1984.

Chris Mullin scored 38 points and Tim Hardaway added 32 and 18 assists, to help the Warriors broke a 14-game losing streak in Denver.

''This style of play is a lot of fun for me,'' Hardaway said. ''We ran extra in practice and scrimmaged eight hours to get ready for this game.''

Mullin's three-point play with 2:27 to go put the Warriors ahead for good, 155-152.

The Nuggets closed to 159-158 on T.R. Dunn's basket with 59 seconds to go, before Hardaway made one of two free throws to give the Warriors a two-point lead.

Denver had two chances to tie the game in the final minute, but Todd Lichti and Corey Gaines both missed jumpers, and Rod Higgins sank two free throws with nine seconds left to seal the victory.

Orlando Woolridge, playing his first game in a Denver uniform, scored 37 points and Walter Davis added 33 for the Nuggets, who took 130 shots from the floor. Lichti finished with 19 points, all in the second half.

''I thought our guys played very well,'' Westhead said. ''They played extremely hard. It's just too bad when your guys play that hard and you don't get a win.''

Golden State led 43-41 after one quarter behind 10 points each from Mullin and Tom Tolbert. The Warriors held an 87-83 edge at halftime, setting a franchise record for most points in the first half in the process.

''We thought we could run with them and attack them, and it was just like we thought,'' Nelson said. ''It was a great game to watch, but I couldn't enjoy it because I was too wrapped up in it.''

Elsewhere on the opening night of the NBA season, Boston stunned Cleveland 125-101, Indiana tripped New Jersey 100-81, Miami burned Washington 119-95, Philadelphia hobbled Chicago 124-116, New York outlasted Charlotte 134-130 in overtime, Detroit dropped Milwaukee 115- 104, Portland nipped Houston 90-89,

Phoenix shot down Utah 119-96, Minnesota held off Dallas 98-85, Atlanta edged Orlando 115-111, and the Los Angeles Clippers stunned Sacramento 90-80.

Celtics 125, Cavaliers 101

At Boston, Reggie Lewis scored 32 points and Robert Parish added 23 to lead the Celtics in the coaching debut of Chris Ford. Larry Bird chipped in 18 for Boston while the Cavs were paced by 19 points from Mark Price and 18 by Chucky Brown.

Pacers 100, Nets 81

At Indianapolis, Rik Smits scored 24 points and LaSalle Thompson added 11 points and 20 rebounds for the Pacers. Reggie Miller added 22 points and Vern Fleming chipped in 17 points and 9 assists for Indiana, which has beaten the Nets six straight times. Rookie Derrick Coleman had 11 points and 12 rebounds for the Nets in his NBA debut.

Heat 119, Bullets 95

At Miami, Rookie Willie Burton scored 25 points in his NBA debut to guide the Heat. Burton, a forward from Minnesota and the ninth player chosen in the June draft, scored seven of his points in a 41-second span of the third quarter to help the Heat build an 84-71 lead. Rony Seikaly added 22 points and Sherman Douglas had 21 for the Heat. Bernard King had 18 for the Bullets.

76ers 124, Bulls 116

At Chicago, Charles Barkley scored 37 points and the Philadelphia 76ers withstood a late Chicago rally. Philadelphia held several 20-point leads before the Bulls rallied. Michael Jordan, was held to six first- half points, but finished with 34 for Chicago. Jordan scored an off- balance 3-pointer with 29.7 seconds left to bring the Bulls within four. Barkley finished 15 of 21 from the floor and added 10 rebounds.

Knicks 134, Hornets 130, OT

At Charlotte, N.C., Patrick Ewing scored 38 points and Maurice Cheeks hit four free throws to lift the Knicks. Cheeks stole the ball from Dell Curry and hit two foul shots to give New York a 132-129 lead with 39 seconds left in OT. Ex-Knick Johnny Newman cut the lead to 132-130 with 8.1 seconds left but Cheeks hit two free throws to seal the win.

Pistons 115, Bucks 104

At Auburn Hills, Mich., Joe Dumars scored 19 points and James Edwards and Bill Laimbeer each added 18 to help the Pistons open defense of their NBA title. Edwards and Dennis Rodman opened the fourth quarter with a five-foot jumper

and a dunk, respectively, to give Detroit its biggest lead of the game, 92-77.

Blazers 90, Rockets 89

At Portland, Ore., Clyde Drexler scored 19 of his game-high 29 points in the second half to help the Trail Blazers erase a 16-point deficit. The Rockets had a chance to win at the buzzer but rookie David Wood's desperation 3-point shot fell short.

Suns 119, Jazz 96

At Tokyo, Tom Chambers scored 38 points and Kevin Johnson added 29 to power Phoenix in the first regular season game ever played outside North America. Chambers scored 25 points in the second half as the Suns broke open a close game with a 27-14 run in the third quarter.

Timberwolves 98, Mavericks 85

At Minneapolis, Sam Mitchell came off the bench to pump in 19 points and grab eight rebounds, fueling a fourth-period comeback that lifted the Timberwolves. Mitchell's dunk off a fast-break with 7:11 to play capped an 8-0 spurt that put the Timberwolves ahead for good. Dallas scored just eight points in the final 5:30.

Hawks 115, Orlando 111

At Atlanta, Dominique Wilkins hit two free throws to tie the score and Kevin Willis added another from the line for the go-ahead score with 50.6 seconds left. Wilkins paced the Hawks with 32 points. Orlando forward Dennis Scott missed a 3-pointer with a half-second left.

Clippers 90, Kings 80

At Los Angeles, Ken Norman scored 19 of his 24 points in the final 16 minutes to give Mike Schuler a victory in his debut as Clipper coach. Norman and Bo Kimble, Los Angeles' No. 1 draft pick from nearby Loyola Marymount, combined for 14 of their team's first 18 fourth-quarter points. Wayman Tisdale, one of only three Kings returning to the team from last season, had 24 points.

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BANGKOK, THAILAND (NOV. 3) UPI - Vietnam has taken action against hundreds of corrupt officials in a major anti-corruption drive, including the firing of a Cabinet minister, official media said.

Investigations are continuing into Forestry Ministry operations under former Deputy Minister Than Trung Hieu who was fired this week for corruption,

according to a translation of an Oct. 28 Hanoi radio broadcast made available Saturday.

The radio quoted a Forestry Ministry report saying that Hieu was guilty of arbitrary decisions that led to losses of state property. He also signed and issued bogus export and import permits, it said.

The report called for further investigation and legal action against Hieu and associates within the ministry.

The radio cited the case of the Phu Lam timber processing and export operation under the Ministry which went bankrupt in Octobe.

''This is a typical case of corruption and bankruptcy of the forestry sector '' the report said.

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(NOV. 3) UPI - FRIDAY'S NHL SUMMARIES

NY Islanders	2	0	1-3
NY Rangers	0	1	1-2

First period-1, NY Islanders, McDonough 3 (Vukota), 4:02. 2, NY Islanders, Sutter 5 (LaFontaine, King), 17:06. Penalties- Mallette, NYR, 5:10; King, NYR, 10:10; Moller, NYR, major (slashing-game misconduct), 12:02; Maloney, NYI, 17:57.

Second period-3, NY Rangers, Ogrodnick 7 (Turcotte, Shaw), 18:56. Penalties-Vial, NYR, 1:18; Vukota, NYI, minor-major (fighting), 4:31; Vial, NYR, major (fighting), 4:31; Crossman, NYI, 7:28; Janssens, NYR, 7:28; Mullen, NYR, 8:41; Sutter, NYI, 10:16; King, NYR, 13:13; Wood, NYI, 15:42; King, NYR, 15:42; Maloney, NYI, 16:37.

Third period-4, NY Rangers, Sheppard 4 (Nicholls, Shaw), 1:28. 5, NY Islanders, Reekie 1 (Wood, Flatley), 5:40. Penalties- Berg, NYI, 2:59; Janssens, NYR, 2:59; Sutter, NYI, 10:35.

Shots on goal-NY Islanders 17-10-5-32. NY Rangers 5-11-15-31.
Power-play conversions-NY Islanders 6-0. NY Rangers 5-0.
Goaltenders-NY Islanders, Healy. NY Rangers, Vanbiesbrouck. A-16,409.
Referee-Kerry Fraser.

Los Angeles	1	2	0-3
Washington	2	1	1-4

First period-1, Washington, Hatcher 4 (Leach), 1:39. 2, Washington, Druce 7

(Bondra, Pivonka), 12:08. 3, Los Angeles, Granato 8 (Gretzky, Sandstrom), 15:57. Penalties-Bondra, Was, 7:03; Tippett, Was, 13:22.

Second period-4, Los Angeles, Taylor 3 (Krushelnyski, Tonelli), 11:37. 5, Washington, Kypreos 3 (Bergland) 14:26. 6, Los Angeles, Gretzky 10 (McSorley, Kudelski), 16:16. Penalties-Tatarinov, Was, 7:12; Granato, LA, 13:59; Leach, Was, 13:59; Duchesne, LA, 17:03.

Third period-7, Washington, Pivonka 4 (Bondra), 3:39. Penalties-Hunter, Was, 3:07; Taylor, LA, 3:07; Langway, Was, 13:17.

Shots on goal-Los Angeles 9-7-7-23. Washington 10-10-6-26.
Power-play conversions-Los Angeles 4-0. Washington 1-0.
Goaltenders-Los Angeles, Hrudey. Washington, Liut. A-18,130.
Referee-Paul Stewart.

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#90307u0202 11/03/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 3) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

Government and private economic analysts agree... tough times are ahead. The Commerce Department reports the chief measure of how the economy will do... the Index of Leading Economic Indicators... declined eight-tenths of one percent in September. The deputy chief economist for the U-S Chamber of Commerce... Lawrence Hunter... says ''The recession has begun.''

President Bush plans to campaign today in California and New Mexico for Republican candidates. It's the fourth day Bush has been on the road for Republican candidates who are on Tuesday's ballots. He's hoping voters will send more Republicans to Congress... as well as to state legislatures and executive mansions.

The Chinese government says a top official will try his hand at shuttle diplomacy in the Persian Gulf next week. Foreign Minister Qian Qichen will visit Iraq, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Jordan. China is participating in the economic sanctions against Iraq, and estimates its own cost at two-BILLION dollars.

Federal authorities say employees spilled a radioactive powder in a Veterans Administration hospital in La Jolla, California... contaminating several floors. Officials say there's a health risk only for the four lab workers who apparently caused the spill.

The woman jogger who was gang-raped and beaten in New York's Central Park testified in the trial of two of her accused attackers yesterday. The jogger was still UNsteady on her feet... 18 months after she was attacked. She said

she had NO memory of what she went through.

A jury of four women and two men has acquitted a woman ticketed for using a men's restroom during a concert because the line outside the women's room was too long. Denise Wells of Houston was found innocent last night. Her lawyer says waiting in line is something that has touched everyone's lives.

''My Friend Flicka'' is the latest children's classic to face controversy. Parents and educators in a suburb of Jacksonville, Florida, are debating whether to ban ''My Friend Flicka'' from a list of recommended readings for elementary school pupils. Some object to two words in the book.

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Also being debated are ''Abel's Island'' and ''Little Red Riding Hood,'' which some parents fear promoted drinking alcohol.

People in Clyde, Ohio, have been baking all week. The town of 55- hundred baked an estimated 12-thousand cookies. They will be shipped this weekend to G-I's deployed in Saudi Arabia. Clyde residents dubbed their effort Operation Cookie.

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#90307u0203 11/03/1990 ~United Press International
ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (NOV. 3) UPI - Former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and her party's legislators Saturday staged a walkout from the inaugural session of the new National Assembly.

The members from Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party declined to take the oath of office and left the assembly because authorities had refused to allow Bhutto's husband, Asif Zardari, to attend the session. Zardari was elected to the house in the Oct. 24 elections but is in jail on kidnapping charges.

A court in Karachi Thursday ruled that Zardari should be released from jail in the southern city to take the oath of office.

''We had decided to take the oath today under protest, but when we came to know this morning that (Zardari) has not been brought we decided not to take the oath as a protest against this cheating,'' Bhutto told reporters following the walkout.

Caretaker Interior Minister Zahid Sarfraz assured Bhutto and the other PPP members that Zardari would be brought to the assembly on Sunday to be sworn in.

Members from the Islamic Democratic Alliance, a loose army-backed coalition of parties opposed to Bhutto, those of smaller parties and independents took the oath of office Saturday. IDA leader Nawaz Sharif, 42, a wealthy industrialist,

is expected to be sworn in as prime minister within the next three days.

The IDA scored a victory in the elections, winning 105 of the 217 National Assembly seats to the PPP's 45. Bhutto has charged the IDA resorted to ''gross rigging,'' although most international observer teams said they had found no evidence to support her allegations.

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan sacked Bhutto's 20-month-old government on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to control law and order dissolved the National Assembly and declared a state of emergency. He appointed opposition leader Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi to head an interim government until the elections.

Bhutto demanded Saturday the president lift the state of emergency and that authorities release a number of her party workers who she said had been arrested during the elections.

Zardari was arrested Oct. 6 on charges of involvement in the kidnapping of a wealthy Pakistani businessman, Murtaza Bukahri. Bukahri paid about $800,000 to his kidnappers to obtain his release. Zardari has denied the charges.

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#90307u0204 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (NOV. 3) UPI - Foreign Minister Qian Qichen will discuss the gulf crisis with Secretary of State James Baker in Cairo next week during a Mideast trip that includes a stop in Baghdad, officials said Saturday.

Qian's meeting Tuesday with Baker will include an ''exchange of views on the gulf situation and other international issues of common concern,'' the Chinese Foreign Ministry said.

Sino-U.S. relations also are on the agenda, the official Xinhua news agency quoted the ministry as saying.

The Baker-Qian meeting is scheduled for the first day of the Chinese foreign minister's second Mideast tour since China established relations with Saudi Arabia last summer.

The trip includes stops in Saudi Arabia and Jordan as well as Iraq and Egypt, the ministry said.

Officials did not announce how long Qian would stay in Baghdad but indicated he might meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Qian is visiting the tense gulf region ''for an exchange of views with the leaders of Arab countries concerned on the current gulf situation and on issues of common concern,'' a Xinhua dispatch said.

A Foreign Ministry spokeswoman told reporters last week that China had ''suffered considerable economic losses'' through its ''earnest implementation'' of United Nations sanctions against Iraq, including dlrs 2 billion in business and undisclosed debts.

The spokeswoman declined to say how much China had suffered through loss of its lucrative arms sales to Iraq.

The disclosure of China's economic sacrifice and the scheduling of Qian's trip appeared aimed at enhancing the country's image as an active participant in the international effort to isolate Iraq over its military conquest of neighboring Kuwait.

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#90307u0205 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (NOV. 3) UPI - A radical Hindu group said Saturday it would make another attempt to begin construction of a temple in the north Indian holy city of Ayodhya, despite violence sparked by the campaign that has left more than 160 people dead.

The announcement came one day after about 10,000 Hindus tried to break through barricades surrounding the religious site but were stopped when police opened fire, killing at least 18 people and wounding more than 60 others.

Radicals want a 460-year-old Moslem mosque at the site relocated so they can begin construction of a temple to honor a Hindu god.

The campaign sparked violence between Hindus and Moslems in six states, and on Friday at least 68 people were killed, boosting to more than 160 the number of people who have died since radicals first tried to enter the religious site last Tuesday.

Despite the bloodshed, the Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP), a militant Hindu organization, said in a statement that volunteers wound again try to enter the disputed site on Sunday.

A VHP official said that more volunteers from several states have been asked to go to Ayodhya, in northern Uttar Pradesh state, about 345 miles southeast of New Delhi.

The group also called for a day of mourning for those killed in the temple dispute.

In Ayodhya, security forces patrolled the streets and maintained tight security around the mosque. On the outskirts of the holy city, about 50 people were injured when police used bamboo sticks to disperse a crowd of Hindu

protesters who tried to break through barricades and enter the town, police said.

In New Delhi, police used tear gas to disperse a crowd of about 1,200 Hindus who tried to march to the residence of Prime Minister V.P. Singh to protest Friday's killings. About 400 people were arrested following the incident. No injuries were reported.

Also Saturday, the right-wing Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), which is spearheading the move to construct the temple, called for a general strike in New Delhi on Monday to protest the killings at Ayodhya.

India's temple dispute has sparked the worst political crisis Prime Minister V.P. Singh's five-party National Front government has encountered since it assumed power 11 months ago.

The BJP withdrew its support from the government after its president, L.K. Advani, was arrested when he failed to heed a government warning to call off the plan to begin construction of the temple.

The arrest prompted the BJP to withdraw its crucial support from Singh's coalition government.

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#90307u0212 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 3) UPI - President George Bush will visit with U.S. troops in the Gulf over the Thanksgiving holiday, while officials said Saturday Secretary of State James Baker will meet with China's foreign minister during his tour of the region early next week.

Also Saturday, the British Broadcasting Corp. reported that three French soliders in Saudi Arabia ''lost their way'' and were captured by Iraqi forces Monday. The French soldiers, who were patrolling the Saudi- Iraqi border when they were taken into custody, have been turned over to French authorities in Baghdad, the radio said.

Officials in Beijing said Baker will meet with Foreign Minister Qian Qichen in Cairo Tuesday in what may be an effort to enhance China's image as an active participant in the crisis. Qian's Mideast trip includes a stop in Baghdad.

Baker is scheduled to arrive in Bahrain Sunday before heading to Saudi Arabia, where he is reportedly set to discuss the possibility of a military strike against Iraq with the kingdom's royal family.

In an interview published Friday, the U.S. commander general in the gulf said his forces could destroy Iraq but that he was not sure if that would be in the best interests of the region.

The White House said President Bush will spend Thanksgiving Day with U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf, where he also will consult with regional leaders about the standoff with Saddam. Details of the trip were disclosed while Bush was on a final campaign swing to the Midwest and West Coast.

First lady Barbara Bush was expected to accompany the president on the visit to the Middle East and Europe.

Press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the Nov. 22 visit with the troops will cap an eight-day trip by the president with stops in Paris, Prague, Czechoslovakia, and unidentified cities in Egypt and Saudi Arabia.

Fitzwater said Bush will travel to Saudi Arabia and Egypt for consultations on the gulf crisis with Saudi's King Fahd and Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak. He also will meet with the Sheikh Jabir Al Sabah, the emir of Kuwait, who has lived in exile in Taif, Saudi Arabia, since Iraq invaded and annexed his country Aug. 2. Bush will return to Washington the following day, Nov. 23.

In remarks published in The New York Times, Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf said that ''if we have to fight, I am going to use everything that is available me to inflict the maximum number of casualties on the enemy as possible.''

15 He said the ''ultimate objective is to make sure that we have peace, stability and a correct balance of power in the Middle East.'' Schwarzkopf said one way to accomplish that ''would be the total destruction of Iraq, but I am not sure that is in the interest of the long-term balance of power in this region.''

Schwarzkopf, who commands an estimated 210,000 U.S. troops deployed to the gulf following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, indicated while a war could erupt at any time, he did not expect military action in the coming weeks.

In other developments:

-INA reported a chartered jet arrived in Baghdad with 15.5 tons of medicine from Switzerland, which sold the supplies to Iraq for an estimated $390,000.

-The British Broadcasting Corp. said Saudi Arabia had agreed to an international investigation of complaints that Yemeni workers in the kingdom had been mistreated and even tortured because of Yemen's pro- Iraqi stand in the Persian Gulf crisis. Saudi Arabia has expelled hundreds of thousands of Yemeni workers in recent weeks, leading to a rift between the two Arab nations that caused an Arab League meeting last month to dissolve in animosity.

-The Middle East News Agency quoted the ambassador to Saudi Arabia for the exiled Kuwaiti government as repeating charges that Iraqi troops were mistreating Kuwaitis, who he said were suffering from food shortages and

inadequate medical care.

-INA reported Baghdad had sponsored an art exhibition at the Saddam Arts Center of works protesting the U.S.-led response to the Iraqi invasion.

-Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani said there was serious danger that war may be imminent in the gulf because Iraq ''has not yet come to its senses,'' Tehran radio reported.

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#90307u0217 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (NOV. 3) UPI - Soldiers shot and killed one Palestinian and wounded at least 17 others in clashes that erupted after residents of a Gaza Strip village learned that an Arab prisoner committed suicide.

Officials from the army's civil administration Saturday informed the family of Ateya Alzaneen, 32, that he had hanged himself in an interrogation room at the Gaza central prison, Palestinian sources said.

Rumors quickly spread through Alzaneen's village of Beit Hanun that he had been killed. Villagers took to the streets and attacked a military post in the village, the sources said.

Soldiers opened fire, killing Mohammed Al Basyoni, 19, and wounding at least 17 others, the sources said. Basyoni was pronounced dead at Shifa Hospital in Gaza City, hospital staff reported.

The army spokesman said the reports of disturbances and injured were being checked.

Violence erupted elsewhere in the Gaza Strip but no injuries were reported, Palestinian sources said.

Alzaneen's family contacted the Association for Civil Rights in Israel to request an independent investigation in the death and for an unaffiliated doctor to attend the autopsy.

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#90307u0245 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ (NOV. 3) UPI - Lawrence Taylor threatened to sue Howard Cosell over remarks the veteran broadcaster made hinting the New York Giants linebacker might still be using drugs.

Taylor, who is tested three times a week by the NFL as a two-time offender against its drug policy, would be banned from the league if he tests positive again. Cosell made his comments on a radio talk show Wednesday, and Taylor

fired back Thursday in front of his locker at Giants Stadium.

''I won't accept anything now except a public apology or I will take legal action,'' Taylor said.

When asked if he was using cocaine, Taylor replied: ''Of course not. If I was using cocaine I wouldn't be standing in front of you right now.

''Years ago, I was given a choice. You either do drugs or you play football. Howard Cosell was given a choice between being a well- respected person, which he was, or to be a senile, cynical person to the two sports that made him who he is today.

''Monday Night Football and boxing made him what he is today, and he chose to be a cynical person toward both. I'm happy with my choice; I hope he's happy with his.''

Cosell, who is best know for his role as part of the original Monday Night Football announcing team on ABC, said Wednesday on WFAN in New York: ''Lawrence Taylor has fresh vials of Bible-belt urine, and how he still is being allowed to play in a duly adjudicated illegal monopoly is beyond me.''

Cosell later said he was joking about a reference in Taylor's autobiography about cheating on NFL drug tests.

A year after the book came out in 1987, Taylor was suspended for four games by the NFL after testing positive. Taylor says he has been clean since that 1988 suspension.

Despite the drug problems, Taylor has been one of the sport's greatest stars. He has gone to the Pro Bowl in each of his nine NFL seasons and is considered the greatest defensive player of his day. He is the leader of a defense that has helped the Giants to a 7-0 start this season.

''I've worked pretty hard to clear my image and put it back to where I think it should be, and to have somebody make a statement like this,'' Taylor said. ''Two years ago, I probably would have kicked his butt. But I'm more mellow now. I try to take it in stride.''

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(NOV. 3) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THW WORLD - SATURDAY

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Nov. 3:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C

Aberdeen cy	1pm	46	08
Amsterdam r	1pm	46	08
Ankara cy	3pm	68	20
Athens c	2pm	76	24
Auckland cy	12m	61	16
Beijing cy	8pm	50	10
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	50	10
Bonn c	1pm	48	09
Brussels cy	1pm	48	09
Cairo	2pm	-	-
Casablanca cy	12n	67	19
Copenhagen pc	1pm	44	06
Dakar c	12n	86	30
Dublin c	1pm	50	10
Geneva pc	1pm	46	07
Helsinki r	2pm	40	04
Hong Kong c	8pm	75	24
Jerusalem pc	2pm	80	27
Karachi c	5pm	90	32
Lisbon c	1pm	61	16
London c	1pm	48	09
Madrid c	1pm	54	12
Malta cy	1pm	76	24
Manila cy	8pm	82	28
Moscow cy	3pm	37	03
Nairobi pc	3pm	77	25
Nassau c	7am	77	25
New Delhi c	6pm	81	27
Nice c	1pm	59	15
Oslo cy	1pm	42	05
Paris pc	1pm	47	08
Pretoria c	2pm	86	30
Riyadh	3pm	87	31
Rome c	1pm	66	19
Seoul pc	9pm	58	14
Sofia cy	2pm	64	17
Stockholm cy	1pm	37	02
Sydney r	10pm	68	20
Taipei cy	8pm	71	21
Tokyo cy	9pm	63	17
Tunis cy	1pm	74	23
Vienna cy	1pm	47	08
Warsaw pc	1pm	49	09

Latin America

Buenos Aires pc	9am	71	22
Caracas	8am	-	-

Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	64	18
Mexico City hz	6am	53	11
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	78	25
Santiago cy	8am	50	10

Canada

Calgary c	28	-02
Edmonton c	34	00
Montreal cy	65	18
Ottawa pc	62	16
Regina sn	32	00
Toronto hz	72	22
Vancouver r	49	09
Winnipeg sn	38	03

c-clear cy-cloudy d-dust fy-foggy
hz-haze pc-partly cloudy r-rain s-snow
w-windy

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NEW YORK (NOV. 3) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Virginia (35) (7-0)	807	1
2.	Nebraska (16) (8-0)	773	2
3.	Notre Dame (1) (6-1)	700	4
4.	Auburn (3) (6-0-1)	630	3
5.	Washington (1) (7-1)	582	6
6.	Illinois (6-1)	553	5
7.	Colorado (7-1-1)	438	8
8.	Miami (5-2)	430	9
9.	Brigham Young (6-1)	382	7
10.	Tennessee (4-1-2)	289	10
11.	Florida State (5-2)	280	11
12.	Texas (5-1)	221	14
13.	Iowa (6-1)	209	13
14.	Georgia Tech (6-0-1)	169	12
15.	Mississippi (7-1)	91	15
16.	Wyoming (9-0)	77	16
17.	Clemson (7-2)	32	17
18.	Michigan (4-3)	16	18
19.	Arizona (6-2)	12	21
20.	Oregon (6-2)	10	22

21. Penn State (5-2)	7	24
22. Louisville (7-1-1)	6	23
23. Southern Cal (6-2)	4	20
24. (tie) Texas A&M (5-2-1)	1	25
24. (tie) N. Carolina (5-2-1)	1	NR

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: None.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances or postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches.

Those schools are Florida, Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 3) UPI - The politically volatile abortion issue, once expected to dominate the 1990 off-year elections, has receded in importance as more traditional economic questions come to the fore but will still play an important role in a number of states and campaigns.

And neither side of the bitterly contested moral and political battle over the Supreme Court's 1973 decision legalizing most abortions are easing their efforts to elect supporters at the state and federal levels.

''In many ways,'' says Dr. J. C. Willke, president of National Right to Life, the major anti-abortion group, ''the voter decisions made in local, state and and national campaigns will mark a watershed in this 17-year struggle (to outlaw abortion).''

And the group's newspaper echoes that theme, calling Tuesday's balloting perhaps ''the most important to the cause of unborn babies since 1980 when Ronald Reagan won the presidency and pro-life forces made a net gain of 10 seats in the U.S. Senate.''

At the other end of the political spectrum, Kate Michelman, executive director of the National Abortion Rights Action League, voices similar sentiments.

''The right to choose is a bigger issue in more elections than it ever has been before,'' she said. ''Pro-choice Americans were not voting on the issue

or running on the issue'' before the July 1989 Webster decision in which the Supreme Court gave states a much wider latitude in controlling legal abortion.

''Now, while it is not the only issue, it is one of the two or three issues on which people are voting.''

Much of the attention election night - and where the issue has been poised in its most stark form - will be on ballot initiatives in Oregon and Nevada.

In Oregon, voters will face two issues aimed at restricting access to legal abortion. One that would amend the state Constitution to prohibit abortion except in cases where mother's life is threatened and in cases of rape and incest. The second would require doctors to give notice to a parent or guardian at least two days before a minor's abortion.

In Nevada, the initiative would amend the state Constitution to establish the right to an abortion and spell out the conditions under which abortion is permitted.

Oregon voters are expected to defeat the more restrictive of the two initiatives there, but Michelman concedes it will be tougher to defeat the parental notification plan.

Nevada, she said, ''is important because it is a pro-choice initiative and it looks good for us.''

Early after the Webster decision, as both sides scrambled to bring the issue to the state level and a number of off-year races turned on candidates' stance on abortion, it was believed the issue would dominate the 1992 election.

Since then, however, other issues - notably the worsening economy and the Persian Gulf crisis - have moved to the fore, although abortion could still turn a number of races.

In Florida, for example, Democrat Lawton Chiles has strongly embraced abortion rights in the closing days of his campaign against GOP Gov. Bob Martinez, and a Miami Herald poll of voters in late October found a potential group of swing voters - Republican women - who could tip the race to Chiles.

In the North Carolina Senate race between incumbent Republican Jesse Helms and Democrat Harvey Gantt, abortion is an issue but not the only one. Robert Fertik, president of Democrats for Choice, predicted that women voters in North Carolina will provide Gantt with the margin he needs to oust Helms, one of the Senate's most adamant abortion opponents.

Abortion was an early issue in the Texas gubernatorial race between State Treasurer Ann Richards, a Democrat who favors current abortion law, and her GOP opponent Clayton Williams. But the campaign has turned more on Williams'

verbal gaffes than it has on the abortion issue.

The Iowa Senate race is between Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, and his Republican challenger, Rep. Tom Tauke. Harkin has sought to appease both sides on the issue and Tauke, a staunch abortion opponent, has sought to capitalize on Harkin's fuzziness.

In Pennsylavia, supporters of legal abortion have sought to make abortion a key issue in the governors race in an effort to oust incumbent Gov. Robert Casey, a Democrat who opposes abortion and has said he will sign a bill banning abortion in all instances except to save the life of the mother or in cases of rape and incest.

But the issue does not seemed to have moved the Pennsylvania populace and Casey held a commanding 65 percent to 35 percent lead over his Republican opponent, state Auditor General Barbara Hafer.

The issue has also surfaced in dozens of congressional races and could play a role in a number of contests. Fertik has predicted the issue will cost the GOP six House seats now held by incumbents but others think his figure is too high.

''In some races, abortion is going to the cutting edge,'' Michelman said. ''But,'' she said, ''it not a silver bullet. It cannot overcome every other obstacle in a race. At the same time, a bullet doesn't always have to be silver to get the job done.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 3) UPI - John F. Kennedy Jr., on his third try, finally passed the New York State bar exam, saving his job as a Manhattan assistant district attorney, it was reported Saturday.

The only son of the assassinated president also passed the Connecticut state bar examination, allowing him to practice law in that state as well, judicial officials said Friday.

The New York Post quoted unnamed sources to report that the 29-year- old Kennedy passed New York's bar exam on his third try last July.

The son of the late president and of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis failed in two earlier attempts since graduating in 1989 from New York University Law School. As a newly hired assistant district attorney, he had to pass on his third try or lose his $30,000-a-year prosecutor's job.

Once the state Appellate Division formally admits him to the bar, he will get a $1,000 raise, a spokesman for the Manhattan district attorney told the Post.

But the state Board of Law Examiners doesn't mail out test results for the 12-1/2 hour, two-day test until Monday, and officials have not publicly confirmed Kennedy's success.

The name John Fitzgerald Kennedy of New York, N.Y., was on a list released Friday of those passing Connecticut's exam, said Lawrence Moore, a spokesman for the Connecticut Judicial Department.

Connecticut officials did not know why Kennedy took the Connecticut exam or if he planned to practice law in the state.

Kennedy has been assigned to a unit that focuses on white-collar crime, low-level political corruption and other felonies and was part of a three-member team of prosecutors who investigated illegal wiring of drug money from storefronts in Manhattan to the Dominican Republic.

His cousin, Robert F. Kennedy Jr., failed the bar exam in 1982 and resigned as an assistant district attorney amid charges of drug abuse, but entered a drug treatment program, received a suspended sentence and probation, and was admitted to the bar in 1985.

Kennedy's sister, Caroline Kennedy Schlossberg, 32, passed the bar exam on her first try three years ago. She is the mother of two small children and is not currently practicing law.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 3) UPI - Voters in the nation's capital decide Tuesday between a self-described ''street dude'' and a saavy corporate lawyer when they replace Marion Barry, the three-term mayor convicted of cocaine possession.

Democrat Sharon Pratt Dixon, 46, a classy, affluent lawyer and a former vice president of the Potomac Electric Power Co., is battling Republican Maurice Turner, 55, a rougher-edged, 32-year veteran cop who, before resigning last year, served eight years as police chief under Barry.

The Tuesday ballot lists 11 other candidates, including nine minor party or independent contenders.

But the contest is between Dixon and Turner. Dixon is the front- runner in a town of about 650,000 where Democrats hold a 9-1 voter registration advantage and where about two-thirds of the residents are black.

Neither Turner nor Dixon, both black, has previously held elective office.

Dixon, a former Democratic Party treasurer, emerged from a crowded primary

Sept. 11 in a stunning upset over better-known and better-funded opponents. She was helped by an endorsement from The Washington Post, which also endorsed her over Turner in Tuesday's balloting.

Her pledge to ''clean house'' after 12 years of the Barry administration and to slash the bloated, 48,000-employee D.C. bureaucracy by 2,000 was the cornerstone of her primary victory and remains her dominant campaign theme.

Turner, a lifelong Democrat who jumped to the GOP last year to run for mayor and avoid the jammed Democratic field, is the acknowledged underdog.

Voters appear to have responded to Dixon's themes, especially after Barry's highly publicized videotaped arrest and trial on cocaine and perjury charges earlier this year.

Barry, bowing out of a re-election bid but seeking an at-large City Council seat, was convicted on one misdemeanor cocaine possession count and acquitted on another. A jury deadlocked over a dozen other counts, including felonies.

A judge last month sentenced Barry to six months in prison and a $5, 000 fine, which the mayor is appealing.

In a city plagued with drug violence and heading for another record homicide rate - more than 400 murders so far this year - Turner hopes his background as a career crime fighter will win him votes.

He has portrayed himself as more sensitive to poorer people by painting Dixon as living a ''silver spoon'' existence even though both are third generation Washingtonians of initially modest means.

''I came up on the rough side. ... I had a tougher life than she did, '' Turner said during a televised debate Thursday night. ''That's what I am, a street dude.''

Dixon said she expects voters to respond to her pledge to ''move the city and clean house. The voters really want someone who can move the city in a different direction.''

Lon Walls, Turner's campaign spokesman, said the candidate is relying heavily on crossover voting by Democrats ''because of his popularity.''

''He's stressing his experience as a manager as well as being somebody who has been in the system and knows the system pretty well and her lack of experience along those lines,'' Walls said.

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#90307u0353 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 3) UPI - South African police say two explosions this morning seriously damaged railway lines in the central city of Bloemfontein. A police spokeswoman reported NO casualties and said NObody had claimed responsibility. An official of the African National Congress says right- wing elements may have been trying to scare off delegates to an A-N-C conference. But the police said it is too early to blame any group.

The White House has confirmed President Bush will spend Thanksgiving Day in Saudi Arabia eating his turkey dinner with U-S troops. For security reasons, the exact location was NOT announced. News secretary Marlin Fitzwater says the Saudi Arabia stop will cap off an eight-day presidential trip with stops in Europe and the Middle East. Mrs. Bush is expected to accompany the president.

Oil prices fell more than a dollar a barrel yesterday because of dealers' expectations war will NOT break out soon. Analyst Joe Miller of Shearson Lehman Hutton said the belief is NOthing will happen until after the U-S elections Tuesday. The drop fueled a rally on the New York Stock Exchange. The Dow Jones industrial average jumped 36 points to close at 24-hundred 91.

Moscow may see counter-demonstrators Wednesday following the official military parade marking the anniversary of the Bolshevek revolution. Moscow's NON-communist government says anti-Communist demonstrations will be allowed. Some radical members of the Soviet Parliament say they will stage a religious march. The presidium, the Soviet executive branch, has banned such demonstrations.

Greece's second-largest bank, the National Mortgage Bank, pleaded guilty in U-S court in New York to accepting illegal deposits and laundering money. Four bank employees also pleaded guilty to conspiracy. Federal authorities say the bank illegally processed 700-Million dollars through U-S branches from Greek-American customers.

John Kennedy, the late president's son, apparently has passed the Connecticut state bar examination. Kennedy is employed as an assistant district attorney in New York City, but has twice failed the New York bar exam. If he does NOT pass the New York exam, he must give up his job. Kennedy's name is on a list of people passing the Connecticut exam.

City officials in Burrillville, Rhode Island, are embarrassed that a police officer on paid medical leave has won a national body-building title. Sergeant Walter Korkeniowski went on medical leave nearly two years ago, saying complaints by fellow officers caused work-related stress. He says while his job is stressful, weight-lifting and body-building are NOT.

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(NOV. 3) UPI - Iraq proposed Saturday to release all foreign hostages if the

U.N. Security Council or five major players in the Persian Gulf crisis promised to refrain from a military strike to end the standoff, the official Iraqi News Agency reported.

Iraq freed four ailing American hostages Saturday along with three French soldiers caught earlier at the Saudi border. The INA reported the seven men arrived in Amman on a flight from Baghdad.

The so-called peace initiative was announced by the president of the Iraqi National Council, Saadi Mehdi Saleh, who said the council would meet to consider the measure. The council, Iraq's parliament, is considered a rubber stamp controlled by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The two-part proposal calls for the release of an estimated 4,000 foreign men held hostage at key military and economic sites in Iraq and Kuwait as a human shield against possible attack by the U.S.-led military force deployed in the Gulf following the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The move by Iraq follows days of tough talk from President Bush, who has raised concerns he is preparing for a military strike to end the 3- month-old standoff.

INA quoted Saleh as saying ''Iraq was ready to allow foreign guests to leave or stay in Iraq if the five permanent member states of the Security Council would collectively, or two of its member states, or more than the five following countries - France, China, the Soviet Union, Germany and Japan - would demonstrate a desire in peace and declare a clear attitude opposing war and the use of, or threat to use, the military force.''

Of the five, the Soviet Union has already indicated it will not join the U.S.-led force in its efforts to oust Iraqi soldiers from Kuwait, and a plan by Tokyo to send non-combat troops to the gulf has been derailed by strong Japanese sentiment against the idea.

Germany has been non-committal, other than calling for the withdrawal of Iraq, and China has only recently emerged as an interested party in the proceedings. Beijing announced Saturday its foreign minister will meet with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker in Cairo Tuesday.

France has sent troops to the gulf region and stated it is part of the alliance against Iraq. But Saddam has consistently tried to woo the French to a more neutral stance, praising a French peace plan and releasing all French hostages last month.

Baker was expected to travel to the Middle East early next week, arriving in Bahrain Sunday before heading to Saudi Arabia, where he was reportedly planning to discuss the possibility of a military strike with the kingdom's royal family.

Officials in Beijing said Baker will meet with Foreign Minister Qian Qichen in Cairo Tuesday in what may be an effort to enhance China's image as an active participant in the crisis. Qian's Mideast trip will include a stop in Baghdad, but it was not known if he would meet with Saddam.

Also Saturday, France said it would punish three French soldiers who were captured by Iraqi forces while on patrol along the Saudi-Iraqi border and later released.

And Iraq urged the Arab world not to accept the transfer of the Arab League from Tunisia to Egypt, which has become a major foe of Baghdad's since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

In Paris, a top defense official said the three captured French soldiers would be punished because ''there was a fault in the execution of their mission.''

The three men reportedly got lost while patrolling the border Monday and were taken by Iraqi authorities to Baghdad, where they were handed over to French officials.

Iraq's foreign ministry was quoted by the official Iraqi news agency INA as urging the Arab world not to accept the transfer of the Arab League to Cairo because the move was ''illegal.''

The league decided in principle in March to move the league headquarters back to Cairo, where it had been based until Egypt signed a peace treaty with Israel in 1979 and, as a sign of protest, the League was transferred to Tunisia.

But the decision turned political after the invasion because Tunisia has been friendly toward Iraq while Egypt has been a strong supporter of the U.S. policy in the gulf.

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(NOV. 3) UPI - Economists are disturbed by economic reports the government issued yesterday. They show economic weakeness is spreading. Lawrence Hunter, an economist for the U-S Chamber of Commerce, says a recession is under way.

Federal officials say 18 savings and loans are for sale. They include Lincoln S-and-L of Irvine, California, which is considered the most expensive thrift failure.

Ford and General Motors say they will lay off more than 50-thousand workers. Analysts believe dealers are cutting back on purchases in the believe they buyer demand is falling off.

Two bomb explosions damaged railroad tracks today in the South African city of Bloemfontein. Police say NO casualties were reported and NO group has claimed responsibility.

Officials say a U-N treaty to combat drugs will take effect November 11th. Attorney General Dick Thornburgh calls it the most important drug enforcement treaty ever undertaken. The Reverend Jesse Jackson spoke to a rally of workers striking the New York Daily News last night. This followed a warning from publisher James Hoge to the civil rights leader that the unions do NOT allow blacks or women.

At least 18 people were killed yesterday in a confrontation outside a Hindu religious site in northern India. Police opened fire when about 10-thousand Hindus tried to break through barricades around the site.

Former Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and her followers walked out of the first session of the new National Assembly today. They refused to be sworn in because Bhutto's husband was NOT let out of jail to take his seat.

Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen meets in Cairo Tuesday with Secretary of State James Baker to discuss the gulf crisis. Chinese officials also say Qian will visit Iraq and my meet President Saddam Hussein.

Vietnam has launched a major anti-corruption drive. Vietnamese news media say action has been taken against hundreds of officials. A deputy forestry minister was fired from the cabinet for corruption.

Former East German leader Erich Honecker says Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev betrayed Communism. In an interview with a British newspaper, Honecker predicted the communist movement will recover.

Mexican officials say a German consular official was freed yesterday after being held hostage for four days. Wolfgang Wilczek was held by a group called Procup, which demanded release of political prisoners.

Authorities say a radioactive powder was spilled in a Veterans Administration hospital in La Jolla, California, yesterday and then spread through the building. But there's NO danger except to four laboratory workers.

Ivana Trump's lawyer announced yesterday she is filing for divorce from Donald Trump, the real estate tycoon whose fortunes are crumbling. The Trumps have been separated since February.

Authorities in Papillion, Nebraska, say a woman convicted of theft who was shot Monday and blamed an intruder actually shot herself with the help of a friend. They say the woman hoped for sympathy to get a light sentence.

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(NOV. 3) UPI - Irseali soldiers fired today at Palestinians angrily protesting the suicide of an Arab prisoner in a Gaza Strip prison. One Palestinian was killed and 17 others wounded. Palestinian sources say violent disturbances broke out elsewhere in the Gaza Strip, but NO injuries were reported.

The leader of Norway's Labor Party, Gro Harlem Brundtland, became prime minister for the third time today. Her 20-person cabinet includes nine women, giving it the highest proportion of women of any government in the world. A coalition led by Conservatives resigned last week because of differences over European Community policy.

The president of Rwanda, Juvenal Habayarimana, says the African nation is ready for democracy. He said he supports the legalization of opposition parties. Rwanda has gone through a month-long civil war. Habayarimana says hundreds of thousands of refugees who left 30 years ago are welcome to return home.

A defense lawyer in the Manhattan jogger trial grilled the woman jogger who said she was beat up and raped while running in Central Park last year. The lawyer suggested the woman's boyfriend used to beat her up. Repeated objections by the prosecution were sustained.

Police in the Boston area are hunting a muscular driver who beat an 18-year-old to death in anger because other youths threw eggs at his car on Halloween. The driver was described as over six feet and weighing 220 pounds. Police are circulating a drawing based on witnesses' descriptions.

The Soviet Communist Party newspaper Pravda says the spread of pornographic films is corrupting young Soviet citizens. Pravda said pornography is producing ''murderers, rapists, sexual maniacs and robbers.'' Some Soviet citizens are taking advantage of new freedom to make money by showing the bootlegged films.

Australia and New Zealand are combining forces to monitor driftnet fishing vessels in the South Pacific. Druftnets, up to 35 miles long, are designed to catch tuna and salmon, but they also kill dolphins and whales. Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawks says Australia is committed to ending driftnet fishing.

Middleweight boxing champion Sugar Ray Leonard and has wife agreed yesterday on a divorce settlement. Agreement was reached in Rockville, Maryland, just before their case was to be heard in court. Juanita Leonard had asked that she receive up to 50-thousand dollars a month. Details of the settlement were not revealed.

A Houston jury has refused to find the Roman Catholic Church was negligent because a priest had sexual relations with a woman for two years. The woman, Debbie McCorvey, claimed the church was negligent in allowing Father Fernando Noe Guzman to exploit her dependence on him. She sued for seven-Million dollars.

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#90307u0461 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

EASTON, PA (NOV. 3) UPI - Bush administration officials ''are in for a surprise'' when new Supreme Court Justice David Souter casts his first vote on abortion, former Solicitor General Erwin Griswold said.

Griswold said Friday he thinks Souter will emerge as ''a liberal Republican - a true conservative who believes in change, but slowly, preserving the value of what we have.''

Griswold, who argued more cases before the Supreme Court than any living person as the top lawyer in the Johnson and Nixon administrations, spoke Friday at Lafayette College during inagural ceremonies for college President Robert Rotberg.

Griswold also predicted the high court will uphold Roe vs. Wade, the 1973 decision legalizing abortions, because it has shown respect for precedent.

''Roe v. Wade has been there for 20 years and we have survived,'' he said. ''I think they will be slow to overturn it.''

Pennsylvania's restrictive abortion law, overturned this year by a federal judge, is likely to be one of the first abortion cases to reach the court with its new makeup.

Griswold said Souter, unlike former Court of Appeals Judge Robert Bork, whose nomination to the high court was rejected in 1988, is ''not an idealogue.''

''Bork had an agenda and I don't think we need people with an agenda on the Supreme Court,'' Griswold said.

Souter refused to answer questions before the Senate Judiciary Committee on how he would vote on specific issues, including abortion.

''From the liberal point of view, which I share, Justice Souter is probably the best choice we could have gotten at this time,'' Griswold said.

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(NOV. 3) UPI - A Palestinian was killed and 17 others wounded today in clashes with Israeli soldiers in the Gaza Strip. Palestinian sources say the Palestinians took to the streets and attacked a military post after learning an Arab prisoner had committed suicide in the Gaza prison. The soldiers opened fire on the crowd and killed a 19-year-old man. The family of the man who committed suicide has asked for an independent investigation.

France says three French soldiers who were captured by Iraq will be punished. The three, an officer and two enlisted men, were captured Monday while on duty in northeastern Saudi Arabia, 90 miles from the Iraqi border. The French defense ministry says they moved too close to Iraq and may have crossed the border. Iraq turned them over to the French Embassy in Baghdad. A French defense official says they may be punished for making an ''error of judgment.''

President Bush is away from Washington until election day. He will vote in Houston and then return to the White House. Bush is campaigning for Republican candidates, but usually turns from politicking to a defense of his policy in the Persian Gulf crisis. At a rally in Cincinnati yesterday, he promised to do his ''level best'' to bring back every American soldier ''without a shot being fired in anger.''

A police artist has drawn a picture of an angry motorist who beat up and killed a teen-ager in Malden, Massachusetts, after youths tossed eggs at his luxury car. Witnesses said the victim, 18-year-old Timothy Doucette, did NOT throw eggs. The motorist stopped his car after it was hit, beat one youth and then banged Doucette's head against a sign post when he tried to help the other youth.

A jury in Austin, Texas, says Honda's all-terrain vehicles were not designed defectively and the company was NOT guilty of deceptive trade practices. It found in Honda's favor in all but one matter- that there should be been additional warnings to consumers. It awarded the plaintiff, Tammie Sue Mullins 800-thousand dollars... far from the 800- Million she sued for.

Customs officials in Poland say they have stopped the attempted smuggling of antiques worth hundreds of thousands of dollars out of Poland. Polish newspapers say icons, paintings and antiques were hidden in furniture that was loaded on a truck and was ready to leave. 26 paintings were confiscated, along with icons, silverware and clocks.

Houston's ''Pottygate'' trial has ended with the defendant found innocent. Denise Wells went into a men's room during a concert because the line at the women's room was too long. A man testified Wells and other women entered the room with their faces covered and went to the toilet stalls. The jury acquitted her of the charge of using a bathroom of the opposite sex in a disruptive manner.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 3) UPI - The crisis in the Mideast, the federal deficit and the need to improve U.S. airports are all combining to produce the biggest jump in airline ticket prices in a decade.

Not surprisingly, the increases are taking their toll on the airline business as Americans cut back their travel plans because of the higher costs, industry officials say.

The biggest increases are caused by higher prices the airlines are paying for jet fuel. The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait sharply pushed up oil prices, which in turn raised the price of fuel and the airlines have raised ticket prices by about 15 percent since August to cover the higher costs. That adds about $60 to what was a $400 ticket.

More recently, Congress raised ticket prices in two ways.

As part of the deficit-reduction package, the lawmakers decided to raise the federal air passenger tax from the current 8 percent to 10 percent on every passenger ticket effective Dec. 1.

In a separate move, Congress agreed to let airports impose a new fee on every passenger who goes through their terminals. The fee can be as high as $3 per flight and can total $12 on a round-trip through two airports.

The new revenue from the passenger fee will be used for much needed improvements and expansion at airports around the country.

The increases in ticket prices, while substantial, are not the biggest ever. The oil crises of 1973 and 1979 both generated bigger fare increases than what has been experienced so far, says David Swierenga, of the Air Transport Association.

But the current increases are hurting. Swierenga, the association's assistant vice president for airline industry data, is projecting a decline of 3 percent to 4 percent in passenger traffic next year. And that would be ''very unusual for our industry, a growth industry,'' that has seen passenger traffic up by an average of about 7 percent annually over the last several years, he says.

''The situation is really grim looking,'' Swierenga says. ''Industry losses for this quarter ... will top $1 billion, which would be the worst quarter in airline history. And, assuming fuel prices hold, it looks like the first quarter (of 1991) could be a repeat of that. ... So we're looking at two back-to-back quarters of enormous losses for the industry.''

On a more positive note, government and industry officials say that while the new passenger airport fee will add to ticket costs, it will have important

long-term benefits for the traveling public.

The bill authorizing the fee also included a noise reduction program, prompting Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner to call it ''the most important aviation legislation since Congress enacted airline deregulation in 1978.''

Skinner said the fees, expected to raise as much as $1 billion each year, will dramatically increase the ability of airports to expand capacity, which would promote airline competition and result in lower fares, better service, and fewer delays.

The $3 fee could produce as much as $95 million annually for Chicago's two airports, $69 million for Atlanta's airport, $116 for New York City's three airports, $67 million for Dallas-Fort Worth, and $65 million for Los Angeles.

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#90307u0543 11/03/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 3) UPI - A top French defense minister says the officer and two soldiers captured by Iraqi troops while on a reconnaissance mission near the Iraqi border will be punished- quoting now- ''because there was a fault in the execution'' of their mission. French defense officials say the three may have unknowingly crossed the border into Iraq. French forces in Operation Desert Shield are responsible for patrolling the border in the area where the three were captured.

Philippine officials say the head of the nation's largest left-wing trade union, a Protestant minister and eight communist rebels have been charged with arson in a violent strike last month. The charges stem from the burning of a passenger bus at the height of the strike, which was called to push demands for wage hikes. Authorities say the eight communist rebels are still at large.

An economist says there will be a major shake-out in the retail sales business in the 1990's and one-half of American retailers will be out of business by the turn of the century. Economist Ira Kalish makes the forecast in a report issued by a division of accounting giant Price Waterhouse. He says the retailing industry has too many stores, too much sameness and too much debt.

A Los Angeles Superior Court jury could begin deliberations as early as Monday in a so-called ''whistle-blower'' case against Lockheed Corporation. Three former Lockheed employees were dismissed after reporting defects in CB planes. An attorney for two of the former employees told the jury in his closing argument yesterday that they should award the men at least 80-Million dollars... 10 percent of the 800-Million dollars Lockheed was paid for the first five planes. Lockheed denied allegations of defects in the planes.

A single-sentence statement yesterday disclosed that Ivana Trump is filing for

divorce from embattled real estate tycoon Donald Trump. The 13-year marriage ruptured in a media storm last February, and attorneys have been negotiating over property agreements the couple signed. The agreements reportedly entitle Ivana Trump to 25- Million dollars.

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#90307u0610 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

THOUSAND OAKS, CA (NOV. 3) UPI - President Bush told an enthusiastic GOP rally Saturday that the first lady will accompany him on his Thanksgiving Day visit to American troops in the Persian Gulf region.

''Barbara and I are looking forward to visiting with those fine young people halfway around the world,'' Bush said, receiving a roar of approval.

Anti-war protesters greeted the president as he arrived at the rally at California Lutheran University, many of them holding signs reading ''no more wars,'' or ''U.S. forces out of the gulf.'' The protesters were outside the university rally.

But Bush received thunderous applause from the predominantly young crowd at the political event for GOP gubernatorial candidate Pete Wilson when he declared ''I will not allow'' Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's Aug. 2 takeover of oil-rich Kuwait to stand.

The president is on an eight-state cross-country campaign swing for Republicans in next Tuesday's election.

And he has used much of his time at the events in the past week trying to drum up support to build still strong yet slipping public backing for his policies in the Persian Gulf.

Bush told the university audience, ''We hold no quarrel with the people of Iraq. ... Our quarrel is with Saddam Hussein and his determination to be the neighborhood bully.''

Bush's campaign trip, which began Thursday, ends Tuesday in Texas. He returns to Washington later Tuesday.

At campaign stop after campaign stop - from a small school in Mashpee, Mass., to a big hotel in Orlando, Fla. - Bush said, ''No one wants a peaceful solution more than I do,'' yet ''no one is more determined than I am'' to reverse Iraq's aggression.

He has also taken time to answer a small rag-tag army of anti-war demonstrators, such as a group of young people in Cincinnati Friday who held placards that read ''no war for oil.''

''The people outside with the signs, I share their concerns,'' Bush told a GOP fund-raiser at Cincinnati's Westin Hotel. ''But we're not talking about simply oil or the world economy,'' he said. ''We're talking about one country bullying a neighbor. And that's why we're there - to say that will not stand.''

Although the president said last week ''I am not trying to prepare our nation for war,'' aides said he does want to ready Americans for every possibile eventuality.

The White House announced Friday, as Bush addressed a GOP rally in Rochester, Minn., that the president will spend Thanksgiving with American troops in the Persian Gulf region.

The high-profile visit will put an American president in a zone of potential conflict for the first time since Lyndon B. Johnson made a quick trip to Vietnam on Oct. 26, 1966, during the height of the war in Southeast Asia.

A recent Gallup Poll found 61 percent of Americans backing Bush's handling of the gulf crisis, down from 77 percent in August. The percentage who disapprove more than doubled, from 13 to 29 percent.

Nearly 70 percent also said they believe Bush should place a greater emphasis on seeking a diplomatic solution, yet 60 percent agreed with Bush that there should be no compromise on the demand for unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Just 23 percent favored prompt U.S. military action. More than seven in 10 said U.N.-backed sanctions against Iraq should be given more time to force a peaceful withdrawal.

The president said he is still willing to give 3-month-old economic sanctions more time to work, but won't rule out further options and that the status quo cannot continue indefinitely.

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#90307u0637 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

The Los Angeles Raiders and Kansas City Chiefs, and Chuck Noll and Jerry Glanville renew old feuds Sunday.

At Kansas City, Mo., the most meaningful game in years for the Raiders and Chiefs could be a throwback to the days when they annually battled for AFL and NFL division titles. The Raiders are 6-1 and first in the AFC West, while the Chiefs are 4-3 and trying to stay in contention.

''If you love football, you've got to love Sunday's game. I'm telling you, these are the kinds of games you want to play in,'' said Los Angeles Coach Art Shell, who played in a bunch of Raiders-Chiefs games as a Raiders tackle.

''Anybody can play in a game that doesn't have any significance to it but this game - the rivalry going back into the past and what has happened between these two organizations, the tough games that've been (played). You've just got to want to play in a game like this.''

Raiders-Chiefs games never lost their significance for the two teams involved. Now Sunday's game is important because of the division race.

The Chiefs are 1-3 in the conference and need a victory to keep alive any hopes of winning the AFC West.

''(A loss) would make it very difficult to win the division,'' Kansas City Coach Marty Schottenheimer admitted. ''Beyond that I make no concessions. To be three down with eight to go is a tough hill to climb against a team that's playing very well.

''I got caught up in this thing a year ago. I don't know if I sense it so much from the players as I just do from the community. There is no doubt that there is something special about Kansas City and the Raiders.''

Glanville comes to a familiar hornets' nest in Pittsburgh with a new team. His Atlanta Falcons are off to a 3-4 start but they are 2-0 against foes from the AFC Central, in which Glanville spent the past four years as Houston's coach.

With the Oilers, Glanville developed a bad-blood feud with Steelers Coach Noll. It was the home playoff loss to Pittsburgh that ended Glanville's career with the Oilers last season.

Glanville already settled a score with the Oilers for firing him with a season-opening victory over Houston. Last week, he took care of Cincinnati Coach Sam Wyche, who ran up a 61-7 beating on Glanville's team last year. Now he can get even with Noll.

''All we want to do is get ready to play a game,'' Noll said. ''We don't want to talk about personalities, fictions or anything else.''

Glanville also tried not to ignite any old fires this week.

''It's not important what other coaches or other fans think of me. It's not important what other teams' players think of me,'' he said.

The Falcons think the world of Glanville, who has them in the NFC wild-card playoff race.

''Coach Glanville has ignited the whole city, not just the football team,'' Falcons kicker Greg Davis said. ''I grew up here, and I followed the Falcons all my life. Last year had to be the absolute low point. The fans didn't care,

and to be honest, the players didn't either. Jerry changed all that.''

The San Francisco 49ers and New York Giants can become the first pair of NFL teams to go unbeaten halfway through a season in 56 years if they win this weekend. They are each 7-0 a month away from their Dec. 3 Monday night game at Candlestick Park.

Other NFC teams trying to sneak up on wild-card berths face their judgment day Sunday. Tampa Bay, Detroit, and Green Bay can prove themselves legitimate contenders or frauds when they take on some of the league's best teams.

The Packers are home against San Francisco, Detroit is home against Washington and Tampa Bay is home against Chicago.

At Green Bay, Wis., the 7-0 49ers face the last team to beat them. Since their 21-17 home loss to the Packers last Nov. 19, the 49ers have won 15 straight counting postseason. The 49ers have won an NFL record 14 straight road games and are within three victories of tying the league mark for consecutive triumphs. The Packers, 3-4, are struggling to match last season's 10-6 record.

At Pontiac, Mich., the Lions, 3-4, are still looking to spring Barry Sanders, who has just 462 rushing yards after leading the NFC with 1,470 as a rookie last year. Washington, 4-3, has not allowed a back to rush for 100 yards all season.

At Tampa, Fla., the Buccaneers, 4-4, have lost three of their last four and are in danger of tumbling from the playoff picture unless they turn things around quickly. Their next three games after Sunday are on the road against New Orleans, San Francisco and Green Bay. Chicago, 6-1, leads the NFC Central.

In other Sunday games, Buffalo is at Cleveland, Phoenix at Miami, New Orleans at Cincinnati, San Diego at Seattle, Dallas at the New York Jets, New England at Philadelphia, Houston at the Los Angeles Rams. Denver plays at Minnesota Sunday night and the Giants play at Indianapolis Monday night.

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#90307u0665 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 3) UPI - There's a new so-called ''peace initiative'' from Iraq today. The president of the Iraqi parliament- considered a rubber stamp for Saddam Hussein- says Iraq will release all foreign hostages if five major nations in the Gulf crisis promise to refrain from military activity.

The Iraqi parliament leader said the body would meet later today to consider the proposal, which also calls for a U-N Security Council promise to work for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf stand-off. Official radio reports of the proposal say the nations that must guarantee they will NOT take part in any military action against Iraq are the Soviet Union... France... China...

Japan, and Germany.

Secretary of State Baker will be traveling in the Gulf region next week, arriving in Bahrain tomorrow and then going on to Saudi Arabia for talks with leaders there.

Also visiting the region... Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen . Chinese officials say he will meet with Baker in Cairo on Tuesday.

The Press Trust of India reports that another 13 people were killed today in fresh fighting over the controversial campaign by a radical Hindu group to built a temple on the site of a 460-year-old Moslem mosque. The controversial campaign has triggered Hindu-Moslem fighting across India.

Former Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and her party's legislators walked out of the inaugural session of the nation's new National Assembly today. Bhutto and the other members of her party declined to take the oath of office because authorities refused to allow her husband to attend the swearing-in ceremony.

German officials announced yesterday that Germany and Czechoslovakia will hold talks on the property claims by three-Million Germans who were expelled from the Sudetenland after World War Two. The province was annexed by Nazi Germany in 1938.

The 37-year-old actor who portrayed the werewolf-like boy Eddie in the 1960's sitcom ''The Munsters'' faces charges in Chicago in the robbery of 130 dollars from a limousine driver. Patrick Allan Lilley was arrested yesterday. He had been in Chicago for Halloween appearances.

Authorities are using tracking dogs, an airplane and a helicopter in a search today for a 26-year-old man accused of stabbing to death four children ranging in age from two to five. Police in Greenwood, Mississippi, say Henry Curtis Jackson Junior apparently stabbed the children- his nieces and nephews- after his sister refused to give him money for crack cocaine.

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#90307u0687 11/03/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 4) UPI - DIGEST:

Auto Racing

Newly crowned world champion Ayrton Senna of Brazil claimed the 52nd pole position of his Formula One career in final qualifying for Sunday's Australian Grand Prix. Senna was one of 12 drivers who failed to improve on their times set in the first qualifying session but his overnight lap time of 1:15.671 over the 2.347-mile street circuit was not challenged Saturday.

Bowling

Roger Bowker captured his second Professional Bowlers Association title with a 235-192 victory over Dave Husted in the nationally televised finals of the $150,000 Chevy Truck Classic at Rochester, N.Y.

Boxing

South Korea's Kim Bong-jun defended his World Boxing Association 105- pound title with a 12-round majority decision over Silverio Barcenas of Panama. Kim, 26, made his fifth successful defense in the bout in his home country. He improved to 23-5-3. Barcenas fell to 11-3-1.

Football

Washington Redskins tight end Jimmy Johnson faces a court hearing this month on charges stemming from a late-night target shooting incident, police said. Johnson was arrested near his home in Sterling, Va., late Wednesday on charges of firing a handgun with 100 yards of a state highway and carrying a concealed weapon, police said. ... The Southland Conference Compliance Committee placed sanctions against Stephen F. Austin State University for NCAA rules violations committed by its football program. The penalties include forfeiting all 1989 games and restrictions on the number of recruiters, players, scholarships and expense-paid visits for recruits.

Golf

The PGA U.S. tour team tied with the PGA tour of Australia 6-6 to share the lead in the $1.15 billion Four Tours World Championship of Golf Team Competition at Tokyo. The teams will battle in the Sunday final to decide the winner of $480,000 first-place money. American Fred Couples maintained the individual lead at 133 despite losing by two strokes to Rodger Davis of Australia, who shot a 5-under-67. ... American Debbie Massey rolled in three birdies for an 8-under-64, taking a three-stroke lead at 133 through two rounds of the $550,000 Mazda Japan Classic women's tournament. Caroline Keggi and Danielle Ammaccapane were tied for second at 136.

Olympics

South African sports administrators began talks with the Association of National Olympic Committees of Africa on a resumption of South Africa's international sporting links after a 30-year freeze. At the opening of the special two-day session, the ANOCA president, Jean-Claude Ganga, affirmed the long-standing demand that apartheid must be abolished in South Africa and sport fully desegregated first but he noted a new sense of optimism.

Rowing

The United States team of Robert Dreher and Steve Peterson battled from fifth place at the 300-meter mark to win the men's lightweight double scull at the World Rowing Championships on Tasmania's Lake Barrington. The U.S. duo won the 2,000-meter race in 7:46.00.

Soccer

Heavy fighting between fans of local Sachsen Leipzig and visiting FC Berlin was eventually ended by a massive police force after delaying start of the German First division game at Bonn for 30 minutes. Earlier this season, Leipzig's match against FC Jena was called off after 10 minutes because of riots. Berlin won Saturday's game 4-1.

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#90307u0782 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 3) UPI - Amid another hostage release, Iraq launched another so-called ''peace initiative'' today. Iraq release four ailing Americans, and the official Iraqi news agency says they flew to Amman, Jordan, with three French soldiers who were captured along the Saudi Arabian border on Monday. The release of the four Americans had been announced earlier in the week as coming about on a request from an American-Arab friendship committee whose representatives were visiting Baghdad.

The president of the Iraqi National Council announced today that Iraq will free all its foreign hostages provided two conditions are met. He said five nations involved in the Persian Gulf crisis must promise NOT to take military action against Iraq and the U-N Security Council must work to find a peaceful solution to the crisis. The five nations he named were the Soviet Union, France, China, Germany and Japan.

The latest Iraqi proposal on the hostages comes as diplomatic activity begins spinning around the region again. Secretary of State Baker will be in Bahrain tomorrow and will fly to Saudi Arabia for talks with leaders there to discuss military action against Iraq. Baker also will meet with the Chinese foreign minister on Tuesday in Cairo. The Chinese official is on a trip through the region.

Officials of the six Warsaw Pact nations today signed an agreement on apportioning cuts in conventional arms. The agreement clears the way for the signing of a historic arms reduction treaty with the NATO alliance on November 19th. The agreement spells out how the six nations will share the cuts that were agreed to in principle during the so-called ''Convention Forces in Europe'' talks. The signing later this month will mark the first cuts in conventional forces in Europe since World War Two.

Thousands of Moldavians rallied in their capital city today, and their local

parliament met to discuss the violence that is tearing the Soviet republic of Moldavia into separate states. The official Soviet news agency Tass reported that at least six people were killed and at least 30 wounded in fighting yesterday at two bridges leading from the Ukrainian- and Russian-dominated section of Moldavia to the Moldavian-dominated region.

A New York report says John F. Kennedy Junior passed his New York state bar examination on the third try and will NOT lose his job as a Manhattan assistant district attorney. Judicial officials in Connecticut reported earlier that Kennedy had passed the bar in that state. The son of the late President Kennedy and Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis failed on two earlier attempts.

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(NOV. 3) UPI - Iraq says it will release all its foreign hostages... IF certain conditions are met. The so-called ''peace initiative'' was announced today by the president of the Iraqi National Council... considered to be a rubber-stamp parliament for President Saddam Hussein. The proposal says the hostages will be freed if the U-N Security Council or five major nations involved in the Persian Gulf crisis promise to refrain from military action to end the stand-off. The five nations mentioned by name are the Soviet Union, France, Germany, China and Japan.

The hostage-release proposal comes as four ailing American hostages flew out of Baghdad to Amman, Jordan, today with three French soldiers who were captured by Iraqi forces along the border with Saudi Arabia. The French troops were captured on Monday... apparently after they unknowingly strayed across the Iraqi line. A French Defense Ministry official says the three will be punished because of the flawed execution of their mission. French troops in the area are responsible for patrolling the border.

Some three-thousand 500 people marched in Pretoria, South Africa, today to back the Conservative Party and the bastion of Afrikanerdom. Conservative Party leader Andries Treurnicht was cheered by the crowd when he rejected a government invitation to join talks on ending apartheid.

The six Warsaw Pact countries today signed an agreement that apportions their conventional force reductions, clearing the way for the signing of an unprecedented agreement with the NATO alliance on November 19th. The treaty will be the first conventional force reduction in Europe since World War Two.

Israeli soldiers shot and killed one Palestinian and wounded dozens of others today in a series of battles that erupted throughout the occupied Gaza Strip. The battles erupted after word spread through the region that an Arab had died during interrogation by Israeli security forces. Israeli officials said the Arab hanged himself in an interrogation room.

A spokesman for Democrat Ann Richards says another gaffe by her Republican opponent in the Texas governor's race may have been the final blow to the campaign once considered unbeatable. Republican gubernatorial nominee Clayton Williams- a multi-millionaire oilman and rancher- said during a campaign stop yesterday that he paid NO income taxes in 1986.

Actress Darlanne Fluegel says she is leaving the T-V series ''Hunter'' in January, at the end of her contractual obligation as co- star with former pro football player Fred Dryer. Fluegel says she will move on to other roles in television and feature films.

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#90307u0870 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

BERLIN (NOV. 4) UPI - Four major European banks Saturday announced an initiative to encourage investment in economically troubled former communist East Germany.

The banks - Germany's Commerzbank, France's Credit Lyonnais, Spain's Banco Hispano Americano and Italy's Banco di Roma - will lead a major publicity campaign over the next 12 months to attract investment in eastern Germany.

The banks said in a statement that beginning in 1981 the initiative will sponsor West European trade promotion tours by corporate and regional representatives from the five new eastern states that joined the 11 West German states on Oct. 3 unification.

The inefficient state industries of former East Germany have lurched into crisis since the country was opened to the full blast of capitalism with the July 1 economic and monetary union and the unification of both Germanys.

Unemployment continues to grow in eastern Germany. Current figures show 800,000 people without work and 1.2 million forced into short-term work for less money. Eastern Germany has a work force of just more than 8 million.

A joint report released two weeks ago by Germany's five leading economic research institutes predicted 1.7 million unemployed and 2 million short-term workers in eastern Germany during 1991.

The flow of exports from former West Germany to eastern Germany soared by 135 percent to the equivalent of $7.6 billion in the first eight months of this year compared with 1989.

But exports from East Germany to West Germany rose only by 8 percent to the equivalent of $3.36 billion in the same period.

In order to help boost industry, the European banks' initiative plans to

promote eastern Germany as a key link between the West and the 100 million consumers in Eastern Europe as well as the 280 million consumers in the Soviet Union.

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#90307u0881 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

BERLIN (NOV. 4) UPI - Police opened fire on rioters during a massive free-for-all Saturday outside a soccer stadium in downtown Leipzig, killing one person and injuring three, authorities said.

A spokesman for the Leipzig police, in an interview on a Berlin radio station, said officers were justified in firing on the rioters because they came under intense attack by stone-throwing mobs.

The police said they made more than 80 arrests during the fighting, which broke out near the stadium and in the center of Leipzig just before the start of the soccer game and which lasted for several hours.

Police said the fighting, which also took place in the stands inside the stadium, was between fans of the local Sachsen Leipzig and the visiting FC Berlin.

The game was played after a 30-minute delay, and the Berlin team won 4-1.

German soccer fans also rioted Thursday in the center of Luxembourg, causing more than $150,000 in damage. Police there made 40 arrests.

Earlier this season, the Leipzig team was forced to forfeit a game because of rioting in its stands. The club was penalized by having to play one home game at a neutral site, and it likely will suffer a similar penalty due to Saturday's rioting.

Despite reunification of their countries and the unification of their national soccer teams, the East German and West German soccer leagues will remain separate until the end of this season.

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#90307u1131 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 3) UPI - Iraq says it will release all its foreign hostages in Iraq and Kuwait if the U-N Security Council and major players in the Persian Gulf region guarantee they will NOT use military action to end the stand-off. The official Iraqi news agency carried word of the new so-called ''peace initiative'' today out of Baghdad.

Four more ailing American hostages were released by Iraq today, as ordered last week by President Saddam Hussein. The four flew to Amman, Jordan, with

three French soldiers who were captured by Iraqi troops when they apparently got lost in the Saudi desert and crossed the border into Iraq.

President Bush told cheering Republicans in Thousand Oaks, California, that he will NOT allow Iraq to get away with its annexation of Kuwait. Bush is campaigning for G-O-P gubernatorial candidate Pete Wilson on his cross-country campaign trip that will end in Houston, where Bush will vote on Tuesday.

Former Solicitor General Erwin Griswold says he believes Bush administration officials- as he put it- ''are in for a surprise'' when new Supreme Court Justice David Souter casts his first vote on an abortion case. Griswold said yesterday that he thinks Souter will be a true conservative... one who believes in slow change.

Israeli troops killed one Palestinian and wounded dozens of others today in violent new clashes in the occupied Gaza Strip. The trouble started when rumors spread through the region that an Arab died while being questioned by Israeli troops. Israel says the man hanged himself.

South African Foreign Minister R-F ''Pik'' Botha says the nation's next ambassador to the United States will be liberal opposition parliamentarian Harry Schwarz. The 60-year-old is to assume the post early next year and has been a firm critic of white-minority rule in South Africa.

Homeless advocates in New York City charged today that the Daily News is exploiting the city's homeless people by giving them free copies of the strike-bound daily to sell. A coalition of 14 homeless advocacy groups called the action a ''cynical maneuver'' to use the homeless as strike-breakers.

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#90307u1197 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 3) UPI - Iraq says that if the U-N Security Council and major players in the Persian Gulf crisis guarantee that they will NOT use military force to resolve the stand-off, it will release its foreign hostages. The new so-called ''peace initiative'' was announced today.

Four ill Americans were released from Iraq today... their freedom coming in a flight from Baghdad to Amman, Jordan. The Americans were joined on the flight by three French soldiers who were captured by Iraqi troops on Monday when they apparently got lost in the desert and strayed into Iraqi territory.

Secretary of State Baker will be in Bahrain tomorrow to open a diplomatic trip that is expected to include talks in Saudi Arabia about military action to drive Iraq out of Kuwait. Chinese officials announced today that Baker will meet with the Chinese foreign minister- on his own tour of the region- in Cairo on Tuesday.

Japanese diplomats say their government negotiators failed in more than three hours of high-level talks today to move toward establishing diplomatic ties with North Korea. The talks were held in Beijing, China.

The official Damascus Radio reported in the Syrian capital that the vice president of Iran met with his Syrian counterpart today for talks on late developments in the region and what are termed ''issues of mutual concern.''

Police in Greenwood, Mississippi, said they launched a search for a 26-year-old man wanted in the stabbing deaths of four children between the ages of two and five. Authorities say the man stabbed the children after their mother- his sister- refused to give him money for drugs.

A New York report says John Kennedy Junior succeeded in passing the New York state bar exam on his third try and thus will be able to keep his job as an assistant district attorney in Manhattan.

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#90307u1212 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 4) TRANSACTIONS:

Basketball

Cedar Rapids (CBA) - Waived guard Ricky Ross, forwards Daryl Braden, Earl Walker and Carl Mitchell.

La Crosse (CBA) - Waived forwards Anthony Allen and Skip Barry.

Football

LA Rams - Activated cornerback Darryl Henley from injured reserve; placed wide receiver Alfred Jackson on waivers.

Pittsburgh - Placed tackle Tunch Ilkin on injured reserve.

Hockey

Philadelphia - Sent goaltender Bruce Hoffort to Hershey of American Hockey League; recalled goaltender Pete Peeters and defenseman Murray Baron from Hershey.

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#90307u1317 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 3) UPI - Former Japanese prime minister Yasuhiro Nakasone arrived in Baghdad today to talk to Iraqi leaders about the Japanese hostages in Iraq and Kuwait. Nakasone arrived as four ailing American hostages were released,

flying from the Iraqi capital to Amman, Jordan. The Americans were on a flight with three French soldiers who were captured by Iraqi troops on Monday. The three apparently got lost in the desert on a border patrol and unknowingly strayed into Iraqi territory.

Secretary of State Baker will be in Bahrain tomorrow. Then he will go on to Saudi Arabia. Baker's talks are expected to deal with permission for a U-S military attack to drive Iraq out of Kuwait. Baker is on a tour of the Persian Gulf region and Europe for talks with allied leaders. In Cairo, he will meet with his Chinese counterpart, who is on his own trip through the region. The Chinese foreign minister also is scheduled to visit Baghdad.

Four major European banks announced an initiative today to encourage investment in economically troubled East Germany. The German, Spanish, French and Italian banks say they will lead a publicity campaign over the next 12 months to attract investment in East Germany. An economic crisis has gripped the East since unification with West Germany. Unemployment is growing in the East, with 800-thousand people out of work and another one-point-two-Million in short-term jobs.

Analysts report that the Persian Gulf crisis, the federal deficit- reduction plan and the need to improve American airports are combining to produce the biggest jump in airline ticket prices in a decade. Airlines already have increased ticket prices by about 15 percent since August in order to cover the higher oil prices caused by the gulf crisis. Now, Congress is forcing prices higher in order to reduce the budget deficit... by increasing the federal air passenger tax, and by allowing airports to impose a new fee on every passenger who goes through the terminal.

Poland's prime minister, Tadeusz Mazowiecki, says he expects the winning margin in the coming Polish presidential election to be ''small.'' Mazowiecki is running against Solidarity union founder Lech Walesa in the November 25th balloting... the first such free election in Poland. In an interview, Mazowiecki came out in favor of a strong president to guide Poland through a difficult period.

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#90307u1323 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

SALEM, OR (NOV. 4) UPI - Democratic National Committee Chairman Ron Brown predicted Saturday his party will gain eight to 10 House seats in Tuesday's election and at least hold the current margin in the Senate.

''Things are moving in our direction,'' Brown told a rain-soaked crowd of about 100 at a rally on the steps of the Oregon Capitol.

Later, the Democratic leader told reporters that ''at worst'' the party would hold its current 10-seat advantage in the Senate, and perhaps pick up a seat

or two. He also predicted a gain of eight to 10 seats in the House, which he called a strong showing.

Brown stopped in Oregon to campaign for three Democrats: gubernatorial candidate Barbara Roberts, Senate nominee Harry Lonsdale and congressional challenger Mike Kopetski. All three spoke at the rally, held in a steady rain.

With just two full days to go before the 1990 general election, Brown reflected the optimism felt by Democrats in many parts of the country. He said the battle over tax increases needed to reduce the federal deficit had worked to the advantage of Democrats.

In the negotiations over a deficit-reduction package, Republican President George Bush pushed for a cut in the tax on capital gains, which Democrats said would benefit the rich. Democrats repeatedly said their deficit-reduction package helped the working class.

''It is crystal clear where Democrats stand and where Republicans stand,'' Brown told the crowd. ''George Bush and the Republicans stand only with the wealthiest Americans. Democrats stand with everyday working people.''

Brown dismissed as ''nonsense'' Republican claims that GOP losses in the House should be expected because the party holding the presidency usually loses congressional seats at mid-term elections.

He said Republicans are nearing a ''floor'' of about 165 House seats, below which the party cannot realistically be forced. However, Republicans fell well below that level in the late 1970s.

Brown also charged that any Democratic gain is a strong showing because a few months ago Republicans were saying they might pick up House seats.

''We find a complete and total reversal of those predictions,'' Brown said.

Democrats are most likely to pick up Senate seats by defeating GOP incumbents in Oregon, North Carolina and Kentucky, Brown said.

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#90307u1385 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 3) UPI - Iraq sent home four Americans today and promised to release all the other foreign hostages if it gets a promise it WON'T be attacked. The four Americans freed today are men who are ailing. Three French soldiers captured Monday along the Saudi Arabian border also were freed. Iraq says it will release the other hostages if the United Nations Security Council or the five major players in the Persian Gulf crisis promise to refrain from attacking.

President Bush received thunderous applause in Thousand Oaks, California today when he declared he will NOT allow Iraq to keep its stranglehold on Kuwait. The mainly young crowd at California Lutheran University did contain some anti-war protesters. Bush was at the school to stump for the Republican candidate for California governor, Pete Wilson.

A soccer riot occurred in Germany today. Police opened fire on the rioters outside a soccer stadium in Leipzig... killing one person and wounding three others. Police say the mob threw stones at them. More than 80 people were arrested. Police say the fighting began between fans of the Leipzig team and a visiting team from Berlin.

Religious strife in India today left 13 people dead. The killings increased to more than 170 the number who have died since Tuesday... when a radical Hindu group tried to enter a Moslem mosque they want moved so they can build a Hindu temple.

Israeli solders shot and killed one Palestinian and wounded 43 others today in fierce clashes in the Gaza Strip. The fighting began as word spread that an Arab died in prison during interrogation. Israeli officials say the Arab hanged himself.

Japan and North Korea held high-level talks today in their bid to open diplomatic relations. But Japanese diplomats say the talks did NOT produce a breakthrough. Further negotiations are scheduled tomorrow.

Two satellite television companies in Britain are becoming one. Rupert Murdoch's Sky Television agreed to merge with its rival, British Satellite Broadcasting. The merger will relieve Murdoch of some financial problems.

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#90307u1571 11/03/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 3) UPI - Iraq says it will trade the foreign hostages for a a promise that it WON'T be attacked. An esimated four-thousand foreigners are being held hostage... used as human shields around Iraq to ward against a possible attack.

Four ailing American men are on their way home from Baghdad. Iraq freed them today. Iraq also released three French soldiers who were captured Monday, apparently when they became lost on a patrol.

President Bush is mid-way through a six-day, eight-state tour... campaigning for Republicans who will be on Tuesday's ballots. Bush said he's looking forward to a visit with the G-I's in the Persian Gulf at Thanksgiving.

U-S officials are against the world undertaking expensive pollution control measures to avert global warming. Most other industrialized democracies next week are expected to advocate a firm course of emission control.

The ministerial conference is expected to set the tone for negotiations in February on the climate change treaty. A draft treaty will be submitted for world ratification in 1992 at a United Nations conference.

A new constitution will go into effect in Mozambique later this month... paving the way for a multi-party democracy. The parliament in Mozambique approved it today after 15 years of Marxist rule.

Wildlife poisonings are reported in Colorado. A hunter found five dead eagles and two dead coyotes near a sheep carcass north of Trappers Lake. Officials believe the dead sheep was laced with a poison, aldicarb.

A state lawmaker wants New Yorkers taking part in Operation Desert Shield to be able to continue their educations when they get home. The state senator proposed legislation giving G-I's in the Persian Gulf one- thousand-dollar scholarships.

A woman who went A-WOL from her reserve unit when it was called to active duty is in jail. She would have sorted mail for soldiers. Instead, she's saying she's a conscientious objector.

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#90307x0240 11/03/1990 ~Comtex

NEW YORK (NOV. 3) UPI - A Scandanavian man has been charged with the bold midday heist of a valuable Impressionist painting plucked from the window of a Manhattan gallery, police said Saturday.

Balazs Gabor, 46, of 382A Sixth Ave., was arrested at 9:30 p.m. Friday at his home by members of the police Safe, Loft and Truck Squad. The capture came just about eight hours after the heist of the Maurice Utrillo work, ''Rue A Montmartre.''

The Utrillo work, valued at $320,000, was recovered, said Sgt. Tina Mohrmann, a police spokeswoman.

The painting of the famous Paris street scene, done by the Impressionist artist in 1926, had been acquired by the Soufer Gallery about a year ago from the Malingue Gallery in Paris.

It had been on display - and in the gallery window - for some three weeks as part of the Madison Avenue gallery's ''European Modern Painting'' exhibition.

About 1:15 p.m. Friday, a well-dressed man rang the gallery buzzer, and was admitted, although he did not have an appointment, owner Mahboubeh Soufer told New York Newsday.

As soon as he entered, however, the man shoved his foot in the door and reached over to pick up the painting from the front window.

''He struggled with the weight of the painting, then lugged it out the door and into a maroon car waiting with the door open,'' and someone in the driver's seat, Soufer said.

Gabor was charged with criminal possession of stolen property and burglary.

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#90308b0415 11/04/1990 ~Business Wire

SYDNEY, Australia (NOV. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - From Monday, Nov. 5, 1990, Westpac Banking Corp. (NYSE:WBK) financial markets dealers in Sydney will trade from a new dealing room, occupying one of four floors taken up by the Bank's Australian Financial Markets Group.

The dealing room, designed to meet Westpac's financial markets needs for the next 10 years, will house 170 dealers immediately, with a capacity for 200 and further expansion later on.

Westpac's Managing Director, Stuart Fowler said, ''Since 1984, prior to deregulation, we have more than tripled the size of our Australian dealing operations.

''We expect to see further growth in our financial markets activities, and consider our investment in the new premises and the technology as essential if we are to maintain our strong position and competitiveness in this vaulable area of the Bank's operations,''Fowler said.

Westpac recently scooped the pool in the Australian ''Business Review Weekly'' 1990 Foreign Exchange Poll, winning six categories - a more comprehensive success than any previous winner.

Westpac is also perceived to be a major global player in foreign exchange, swaps and options markets as measured by the ''Euromoney'' 1990 polls.

Westpac Banking Corp. is an international financial services Group headquartered in Australia with operations extending offshore to 29 countries. In its home markets of Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, and the South West Pacific, Westpac offers a full range of banking and financial services. Specialized services are provided through the Westpac offices in Asia, Europe, and the United States.

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#90308d3290 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV. 4) - Asif Ali Zardari, jailed husband of former premier Benazir Bhutto, took his oath in parliament Sunday, ending a boycott of the proceedings by her People's Democratic Alliance (PDA).

Mr. Zardari, arrested last month and held on charges of kidnapping and extortion, was sworn in as a deputy along with Ms. Bhutto and other PDA members.

His absence from the house Saturday provoked a walkout by all PDA members and their refusal to be sworn in until Mr. Zardari was brought here from his prison cell in Karachi.

Mr. Zardari, 38, was elected to the lower house in the national elections 10 days ago in which the Islamic Democratic Alliance (IJI) won an overwhelming mandate to form the future government. He was jailed at the time.

Ms. Bhutto's party decided to sit in the opposition under protest. It alleged the polls were rigged, a charge denied by the caretaker government.

Her husband was flown here in police custody early Sunday after an assurance by the caretaker government that a special court order for his presence in the house would be implemented.

Mr. Zardari was arrested on the charge of abetting the abduction of a businessman and extortion of money from him, during the rule of Ms. Bhutto who was fired by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan in August on charges of corruption and misrule.

The former premier, now the sole woman in the 217-member parliament, faces trial in seven corruption cases filed against her by the president before the elections.

If convicted, the couple could lose their parliamentary seats in addition to being barred from politics for long periods.

Mr. Zardari also faces the threat of imprisonment for up to seven years if convicted in the abduction case.

The new government will take over when IJI chief, Nawaz Sharif, a wealthy Punjabi industrialist, is sworn in Tuesday as Pakistan's 11th prime minister, succceeding caretaker premier Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi.

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#90308d3410 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HAMBURG (NOV. 4) - The Iraqi government Sunday released 15 Germans who were being held in the Gulf, the German Press Agency dpa learned from reliable sources.

The 15, technicians from German companies, were first flown to Amman, Jordan. They are to arrive in Frankfurt on Monday.

Their release was apparently linked to Monday's trip to Baghdad by the Social Democrats' Honorary Chairman Willy Brandt, observers said.

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#90308d3420 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (NOV. 4) - The German government hopes that "many German hostages and nationals of other countries" will be freed by Iraq during former chancellor Willy Brandt's upcoming visit to the Gulf, an official communique said here Sunday.

The government said it was still its goal that all nationals held in Iraq against their will be released in accordance with a European Economic Community (EEC) statement issued at last month's summit meeting in Rome.

Mr. Brandt will go to Baghdad on a solitary mission Monday.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl earlier suggested that Mr. Brandt, president of the Socialist International, be accompanied by Italian Emilio Colombo, a Christian Democrat, and Belgian Willy de Clercq, a Liberal, to give the trip a Europe-wide framework.

Italy has since said that it was opposed to Mr. Brandt's plan to visit Iraq unless he receives United Nations backing for his mission.

But U.N. Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar stated during Mr. Brandt's visit to New York last week that the United Nations cannot do anything, the former chancellor said.

The government communique said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's invitation to Mr. Brandt did not comprise visits by other western party leaders.

A spokesman for the opposition Social Democratic Party (SPD) earlier said a Lufthansa jetliner that will take Mr. Brandt to Baghdad will also carry medicine to Iraq. Mr. Brandt is honorary chairman of the SPD.

Lufthansa, the national German airline, said Friday it had been asked to prepare a 250-seat Airbus A300-600 for the mission.

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#90308d3520 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRAGUE (NOV. 4) - Offices of Czechoslovakia's communist party here were gutted in an arson attack, Czech party leader Jiri Svoboda said Sunday.

Arsonists broke into the offices in the ninth city district after smashing courtyard windows and set fire to three different places. Damage was estimated at more than one million kroners (65,000 dollars), party spokesman Josef Hora said.

The same office was damaged by a fire after the country's first free elections last June, in which the communists won 14 per cent of the votes in the country's Czech republic.

Mr. Svoboda was speaking on the second and last day of the communists' 18th party congress.

Delegates Saturday sacked party chief Vasil Mohorita, 38, the last top survivor from the party's hardline years.

A new party leader was to be elected later Sunday, with Slovak reformist historian Pavol Kanis, 42, and Czech Miroslav Grebenicek, 43, the only candidates.

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#90308d3550 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KABUL (NOV. 4) - Afghan troops backed by heavy artillery and fighter aircraft continued operations Sunday against mujahedeen positions near the capital.

Government spokesman Humayun Mukammel said the troops had inflicted heavy losses on the resistance fighters, destroying 23 strongholds in the northern and northeastern parts of Kabul province in the last few days.

He said in a single operation about 20 kilometers (12 miles) northeast of the city center, some 50 mujahedeen were killed by government forces who counted four dead and 10 wounded.

Stocks of arms, ammunition and rockets were seized by troops from the Kabul garrison, Mr. Mukammel said.

He said 10 bodies left behind by the mujahedeen had been buried by the army, and added that the captured weapons had been intended for a failed plan to capture the city.

The mujahedeen launched a two-pronged attack on the outskirts of the capital

on October 9, but were stopped 40 kilometers (25 miles) outside the city by heavy air and artillery strikes.

Mr. Mukammel said sporadic fighting, most of it exchanges of shell fire, continued in several Afghan provinces but described the situation as under control.

Continuous heavy artillery fire heard by residents of the capital in the last few days was apparently aimed at mujahedeen positions just north of the city.

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#90308d3600 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI, Pakistan (NOV. 4) - Heavy police contingents guarded Hindu temples here after attacks by Moslems protesting the Hindu violence against a 16th-century mosque in India left at least one Hindu dead, witnesses said.

One temple was damaged Saturday by an explosive device lobbed by some unidentified men and a Hindu cobbler was shot dead in Hyderabad, 150 kilometeres (90 miles) north of here, they said.

Security forces in Hyderabad foiled several attempts by angry groups to damage Hindu temples in the city, they said.

In Islamabad, a Hindu deputy expressed concern in the lower house of the Pakistani parliament over the "threat" to the minority Hindu community.

Bhagwan Das demanded immediate debate on the situation in Sindh province,

home of most of the Hindus who constitute roughly two per cent of the country's 110 million population.

He said Hindus had not encountered such a situation in the last 42 years.

The speaker responded that the issue could be discussed by the house after it was formally brought on the agenda.

The Sindh caretaker chief minister, Jam Sadiq Ali, condmened the attacks and urged Moslems to protect the minorities.

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#90308d3610 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (NOV. 4) - At least two persons were killed and five injured in a clash between Hindus and Moslems in southern Nepal Saturday, it was announced here Sunday.

A nepalese interior ministry statement broadcast by Radio Nepal said that the

clash took place when a shrine being cleaned by one community was ''dirtied'' by a person of another community.

The incident occurred at Hari Onn in the Sarlahi district, about 200 kilometres south east of here, and bordering India. The ministry not identify the communities.

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#90308d3620 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MULTAN, Pakistan (NOV. 4) - At least seven people had their throats slashed when a tractor-driven trolley in which they were travelling drove under a low-hanging power cable, police here said Sunday.

About 40 men were in the trolley Saturday night on their way to Uch Sharif, a township about 120 kilometres (75 miles) south of here, to congratulate a winning candidate in last month's national elections.

They were dancing and singing to the beat of drums, as the tractor drove under the cable partly covered by leafy tree branches and hanging across a dusty pathway.

Police said seven people were killed and another 10 were injured, two of them seriously.

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#90308d3660 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (NOV. 4) - Tanzania's new parliament is to hold its first session here Tuesday, the same day as the swearing-in ceremony of re-elected President Ali Hassan Mwinyi.

General elections last Sunday were the seventh since independence in 1961.

National Aseembly clerk Mahmoud Mwidadi said here Sunday that the first task for the legislators would be to elect a new speaker to succeed retiring Chief Adam Sapi Mkwawa, 70, who held the post for 26 years.

Mr. Mwidadi said that parliament would also designate for nomination to special seats an additional 30 MPs to respresent pressure groups such as women,

youths, parents associations, cooperatives and the trade union movement. This will come before President Mwinyi will be invited to address the opening session.

The general elections saw the defeat by newcomers of 33 sitting MPs, including two ministers -- senior minister in the president's office Paul Bomani, 65, and deputy lands and tourism minister Hassan Dyamwale.

Sources here said President Mwinyi would name a prime minister to help him appoint a new cabinet, which is likely to have several new faces.

Mr. Joseph Warioba, 49, was Mwinyi's premier in the outgoing cabinet.

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#90308d3750 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (NOV. 4) - After five days of unprecedented Hindu-Moslem clashes across Bangladesh, many frightened Hindus are thinking of migrating to India if the violence continues.

"We do not want to stay if our life and property is not secured and think it's better to migrate to Calcutta, India," said A.K. Nandi, a shopowner in the Hindu dominated Shakari Bazaar.

The recent clashes have claimed at least four lives, all Moslems, and several million dollars worth of property has been damaged, leaving Bangladesh's minority Hindus fearful of further attack and protesting a lack of adequate security.

"We feel insecure and threatened because when Moslems attacked us police acted very suspiciously," a Hindu community leader said.

Deputy Prime Minister Shah Moazzem Hossain in an interview Sunday rejected the allegations, saying that after such massive security measures if the Hindus were not happy then "they are complaining for the sake of complaining."

Shah Moazzem said the government had taken all possible security measures to protect the minority community and the situation was under control, but added "it would take some time to restore complete normalcy."

Bharat Singha, a 55-year-old businessman said: "Our hearts are broken, we grew up here and our children were born here, but we have seen nothing like this."

His feelings were echoed throughout the Hindu community which accounts for 12 per cent of Bangladesh's 110 million people.

The Hindu-Moslem violence started in Bangladesh's southeastern city of Chittagong Tuesday and slowly spread to Dhaka and other districts, where Hindu temples, homes and businesses were attacked by Moslems.

"We want to live here with dignity and security as our roots are here, but if the two were absent it is best to go," another community leader, Biddut K. Nag said.

"We also worry that we may become refugees in India," he added.

Bangladesh's main opposition parties, who have been campaigning for eight years for the resignation of President Hussain Mohammad Ershad, have accused members of the president's ruling Jatiya Party (JP) of inciting the attacks on Hindus.

One opposition leader said Mr. Ershad had been very shrewd and was using the communal violence to distract attention from the recent successes scored by the opposition campaign.

Deputy Premier Shah Moazzem laughed off the allegations, saying: "They never like what we do and go on accusing us aimlessly ... if a storm that is brewing in the Bay of Bengal hits Bangladesh, they may even say President Ershad has managed things with Allah to thwart their campaign."

Moulana Mannan had nothing to do with the recent communal unrest and he is just like any other JP member of parliament, he said.

President Ershad imposed a curfew in Dhaka Wednesday and called in troops to quell the Hindu-Moslem violence.

Meanwhile, all roads leading to the Shakhari Bazaar area in the old walled parts of the capital city have been blocked by Hindus with old drums and furniture.

As police guarded all local temples, the sound of drums and cymbals brought life to the area as worshippers prayed for peace to the most powerful Hindu goddess, Kali, in the only temple still open.

Residents said other temples were either partially functioning or closed because of the curfew.

The recent Hindu-Moslem violence spread from the northern Indian town of Ayodhya, where at least 44 people have died in renewed fighting over a disputed shrine.

Hindus have vowed to destroy a mosque there which they claim was built after the demolition in the 16th century of a Hindu temple dedicated to the god Rama.

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#90308d4050 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DJIBOUTI (NOV. 4) - Some 160 people fleeing civil war and famine in northern Somalia have been given shelter by the authorities in Djibouti, state radio and television reported Sunday.

Two of them, one a child, had been wounded by a mine explosion and were hospitalised. Most of them are women and children.

The people, who came from the locality of Lukhaya, had arrived at the Loyada border post Thursday in two trucks escorted by the Somali army.

There is fighting in the north of the country between forces of the armed opposition Somali National Movement and troops loyal to President Mohamed Siad Barre.

One of the refugees said he had left Lukhaya of his own volition because of a lack of food. He said that he and his neighbours had been stripped of their possessions by "armed men".

Other people from the region were also expected to leave, he added.

Three Somali army officers based at Toqoshi near the border with Djibouti last week defected at Loyada and asked for political asylum.

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#90308d4070 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 4) - King Hussein of Jordan arrived here Sunday afternoon for a 24-hour visit, during which he will meet (on Monday) with French President Francois Mitterrand for the second time since the Gulf crisis started on August 2.

The Jordanian ruler was welcomed at the airport by French Research and Technology Minister Hubert Curien.

After his brief stay in France, during which he will also meet with French Defence Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement, the king will go to Geneva to attend the world climate conference, during which he is to talk with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

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#90308d4100 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VINA DEL MAR, Chile (NOV. 4) - A bomb exploded in a restaurant here, injuring two U.S. sailors from the nuclear aircraft carrier "Abraham Lincoln," three British tourists and two Chileans, police said Sunday.

The dynamite exposion Saturday night caused extensive damage to the restaurant two nearby homes, four stores and three cars parked outside the restaurant.

An official at a local hospital said those injured were not hurt seriously.

The 91,000-ton aircraft carrier with 5,500 sailors aboard was anchored at the nearby port in Valparaiso about 100 kilometers (62 miles) north of Santiago. The ship was headed to the U.S. Pacific coast.

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#90308d4250 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 4) - Former Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone met for four hours here Sunday with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to discuss ways of easing tension in the Gulf, official sources reported.

"Japan is an advocate of peace," Mr. Nakasone said in statements carried by Baghdad Radio.

"The Japanese people reject war and do not support the deployment of Japanese troops in the Gulf," he was quoted as saying.

"The Japanese people and their representatives will not accept the deployment of Japanese troops nor an amendment to the constiution to make it possible," he added.

Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu in mid-October introduced a bill in parliament that would allow Tokyo to send non-combatant troops to the Gulf to support a multinational force that assembled there after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

But the measure has drawn sharp criticism from politicians -- including some from the ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) -- the Japanese public and Asian countries.

Mr. Nakasone has come to Baghdad to press for the release of 350 Japanese nationals held in Iraq and Kuwait, including 140 kept as "human shields" at strategic sites to deter a feared attack by U.S.-led forces.

He does not have an official mandate from the Japanese government but is leading a delegation grouping members of the LDP and Japanese MP's.

Mr. Nakasone spent an hour in private talks with Mr. Hussein Sunday and was later joined by members of the Japanese delegation.

Iraq on Saturday offered to release foreign nationals if Baghdad obtained a pledge of non-aggression from either the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council or from two countries from among China, France, Japan Germany and the Soviet Union.

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#90308d4270 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUCHAREST (NOV. 4) - There were demonstrations for the fourth day running in the streets of Bucharest Sunday against the lifting of price controls and for the resignation of President Ion Iliescu.

A procession of somee 200 people marched through the Romanian capital to the central government building and the television headquarters shouting "Down with Iliescu", and "Try Iliescu for all the blood that was shed".

Demonstrators also called on passers-by to join the rally "like on December 22", the day a massive protest here led to the ouster of communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu.

The demonstrators said they did not belong to any political organisation.

Price controls were lifted by the government on Thursday.

Prime Minister Petre Roman on Saturday appealed to trade unions for understanding, two days after the government decision took effect.

In a television debate with representatives of five major unions, Mr. Roman said an end to price controls was the only way out of Romania's economic crisis.

"Winter is coming and we need 200 million dollars to pay for fuel for industry and homes," he said. Loans to purchase energy would not be forthcoming "unless we can prove our economy is viable," he added.

He said that the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank would not have confidence in Romania if basic economic reforms such as removing price controls were not undertaken.

Unions have called the lifting of price controls premature and the issue has brought several thousands protestors onto the streets since Thursday.

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#90308d4540 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMRITSAR, India (NOV. 4) - Sikh militants fighting for an independent homeland massacred 17 people on Sunday in a remote village in the northern Indian state of Punjab, police said.

Sikh gunmen armed with AK-47 assault rifles lined up the 17, including a police constable, and mowed them down after having waylaid them on a dusty road at Pandori Mahantan village, about 80 kilometers (50 miles) from here.

A police spokesman said the victims were mostly "innocent villagers" who were passing by the road on cycles and horsecarts when the militants pounced on them shortly after 8:00 p.m.

The killers were reportedly part of a big gang, but no further details were available in this Sikh holy city.

It was not immediately clear what led to the massacre, but police sources said it might have been to avenge the death of a top Sikh militant and his four associates.

Security forces gunned down Sukhwinder Singh, chief of the Bhindranwale Tigers Force of Khalistan (BTKF), and four others during a seven-hour gunbattle in this border district here Saturday when they were holding a meeting.

The BTKF is one of a half dozen groups campaigning violently for a homeland called Khalistan (land of the pure) in Punjab. The campaign has left some 2,220 people dead this year.

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#90308d4660 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (NOV. 4) - Reform-minded Communist Pavol Kanis, a 42-year-old Slovak historian, was elected by acclamation on Sunday as president of the Czechoslovak Communist Party at its 18th party congress, an AFP correspondent observed.

His competitor, 43-year-old Moravian historian Miroslav Grebenicek, who has been party vice-president since October 14, proposed that the presidency should be given to a Slovak.

He told the congress that this seemed the best solution, since the previous two presidents - Ladislav Adamec and Vasil Mohorita - had been Czechs.

Mr. Grebenicek, will take over the party leadership next year, on the basis of the principle of a rotating presidency adopted by the 833 delegates representing 450,000 Communist Party members. The party had about 1.7 million members a year ago, but lost many at the time of and following the fall of the Communist regime.

The party congress has ruled that the party is based on the principle of democratic socialism and has approved a statement ruling out violence as a solution to social crises or winning power. It has also discarded the notion of the dictatorship of the proletariat.

The new party leader said that "The party wants to base its policy on the principles of political pluralism and the market economy".

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#90308d4710 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RANCHO MIRAGE, CA (NOV. 4) - American actress Mary Martin, who captivated audiences around the world in her role as Peter Pan, has died. She was 76.

A publicist for her son, actor Larry Hagman, confirmed Sunday that Ms. Martin had died, but he refused to say when, nor would he give a cause of death.

Ms. Martin, one of the New York theaters' leading ladies for more than 30 years, performed in scores of musicals including "The Sound of Music, "One Touch of Venus" and "South Pacific."

But she was best-known for her bubbly portrayal of Peter Pan, the boy who never wanted to grow up.

Although the musical had a relatively short run on Broadway, it was immortalized on television and Ms. Martin won an Emmy for her role.

"All my life, I wanted to be Peter Pan," she once said.

"My poor mother never knew what I was going to do next. I don't think anything ever surpised my parents. I was always doing something strange -- like at five jumping off the garage. I wanted to fly, and all I did was break my collarbone."

Ms. Martin made her first stage appearance singing at a fireman's ball in her hometown of Weatherford, Texas.

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#90308d4720 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (NOV. 4) - Canada has written off Zimbabwe's debts to the country, amounting to some 31 million Canadian dollars (about 27 million U.S.), it was officially announced here at the weekend.

It is the first time a donor country has written off debts owed by Zimbabwe.

The decision was announced to Economy Minister Bernard Chidzero by the Canadian ambassador in Harare, Charles Basset, in the course of regular annual consultations between the two countries.

Mr. Chidzero said the Canadian government's move demonstrated its desire to see poverty reduced in developing countries by easing their debt burden.

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#90308d4900 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (NOV. 4) - The Angolan government would like to be officially recognised by the United States, it said Sunday in a declaration to the Angolan people quoted by the Angolan news agency Angop, received here.

The declaration comes a week before the 15th anniversary of Angola's independence from Portugal, on November 11 1975.

In it, the government said there were new prospects for peace in the country, and appealed to Washington to view relations with "the realism called for in this new world era which opened with the end of the Cold War".

It suggested that the U.S. government should cease it military support for the UNITA rebels, and also complained of Zairean support for them.

"The Angolan government issues a new appeal to the White House and the Pentagon to adopt a constructive and reasonable position with regard to the Angolan peace process," the declaration said.

"The de jure recognition by the United States of the sovereignty of Angola would not be out of order, especially considering that Angola is currently undergoing deep changes which will soon bring the country to the institutionalisation of multipartism and a market economy," it added.

Festivities for the 15th anniversary of independence will take place "at a particular time in our history marked by the announcement of deep political and economic changes", the declaration said.

The ceremonies should constitute "a veritable day of national reconciliation and united struggle", it went on, at the same time exhorting people to celebrate the occasion "while maintaining an attitude of vigilance toward the enemies of peace and democracy".

The Angolan government is currently engaged in a series of talks with the U.S.-backed rebels of UNITA (National Union for the Total Independence of Angola), led by Jonas Savimbi, with which it has been at war since 1975.

The government declaration complained that the UNITA rebels were using the territory of neighbouring Zaire for their supplies and to launch military action.

It also implicitly criticised the United States for its arms supplies to Mr. Savimbi's movement.

It said that countries which had until now supplied UNITA with arms "must adopt an attitude more in keeping with the new era of international relations with a view to facilitating the peace process under way in Angola".

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#90308d4970 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 4) - The Indian government was Sunday hit by two more resignations, as escalating factional fighting took the dominant ruling party closer to an inevitable split.

A fourth minister quit the beleaguered 11-month-old National Front government, while another said she will resign Monday, increasing the isolation of Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh, 59.

Minister of State for Home Affairs Subodh Kant Sahay said he had sent his resignation letter to Mr. V.P. Singh, holding him responsible for the caste and communal violence sweeping the country.

Mr. Sahay is the fourth minister to quit the government since October 23, when it lost the vital legislative backing of the the rightist Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) needed to remain in power.

Earlier, Deputy Minister for Women and Child Development Usha Singh told reporters she felt "suffocated" in the government and would resign from office Monday.

Mr. Sahay and Mrs. Usha Singh, like the three other ministers who have resigned, belong to Mr. V.P. Singh's centrist Janata Dal (People's Party), the core partner in the five-party National Front.

The protest resignations came hours after two senior Janata Dal leaders demanded that the premier step down and pave the way for the election of a new leader of the ruling coalition.

But a larger group of MPs in the National Front rejected the demand, and after a two-hour meeting here expressed "full faith" in Mr. V.P. Singh, India's seventh prime minister.

Both groups said they would not budge from their respective stands, indicating that the Janata Dal might formally split when it holds a meeting of its 138 MPs on Monday.

The National Front itself has to seek a vote of confidence in federal parliament Wednesday following the BJP's withdrawal of support after its chief L.K. Advani was arrested on October 23 over a temple-mosque row.

The tug of war in the Janata Dal added to the existing political confusion in New Delhi, where speculation is centred on whether the country would have to go to the polls for the second time in a year.

Former premier Rajiv Gandhi's opposition Congress (I) party, which is the single largest grouping in parliament, has said it would keep a Janata Dal government going if it dropped Mr. V.P. Singh.

Senior Janata Dal leaders Devi Lal and Chandra Shekhar reiterated Sunday that they were willing to take the Congress (I)'s support to keep the party in power by ousting Mr. V.P. Singh and his supporters.

"The present political crisis can only be overcome under an alternate (party) leadership," said former deputy premier Mr. Lal, who was dismissed from the cabinet August 1 by Mr. V.P. Singh.

Federal Labour Minister Ram Vilas Paswan challenged the statement.

"We have one leader," he said, referring to Mr. V.P. Singh. "Those who agree can remain (in the party). Those who don't, can go."

Both the V.P. Singh and the Lal-Shekhar camps in the Janata Dal claimed majority support, and one dissident leader, Jagdeep Dhankar, said it indicated that the barely two-year-old party was heading for a split.

"When two sides in a party with matching strength take firm but opposite views on an issue, it is natural that there will be a split," he told reporters at Mr. Lal's residence.

But Mr. Advani, who was released Sunday after a 12-day detention, demanded fresh elections to parliament, saying "ad hoc arrangements" were no solution to end a political uncertainty.

"The government should seek a fresh mandate from the people as it has forfeited its moral and political right to continue even for a single day," he told a crowded press conference here.

Mr. Advani's pro-Hindu BJP, which has 88 MPs, wants the construction of a Hindu temple at a site in northern Ayodhya town claimed by Moslems. The dispute has left some 250 people dead since Mr. Advani's arrest.

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#90308d4990 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 4) - Iraq on Sunday called on retired officers who are members of the ruling Baath party to rejoin the armed forces next Saturday.

A defense ministry communique outlined the categories of personnel affected by the recall, which included chemcal weapons and anti-aircraft specialists.

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#90308d5080 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (NOV. 4) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker met here Sunday with the emir of Bahrain, Sheikh Issa bin Salman al-Khalifa, to discuss efforts to secure an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, official sources said here.

The meeting, also attended by Prime Minister Sheikh Khalifa bin Salman al-Khalifa and Crown Prince Sheikh Hamad bin Issa al-Khalifa, focused on "the latest developments in the Gulf region and international efforts under way to

bring about a withdrawal from Iraqi forces from Kuwait and the return of the legitimate authority there," the sources reported.

Mr. Baker earlier Sunday paid a brief visit to eastern Saudi Arabia to inspect the U.S. 1st Cavalry Division deployed along the frontlines with Iraqi forces.

The secretary of state is at the start of an eight-day tour of Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, the Soviet Union, Britain and France to shore up an anti-Iraqi coalition and to discuss the possibility of military action against Iraq.

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#90308d5130 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (NOV. 4) - The Brazilian Government has endorsed all contracts reached between private Brazilian companies and Iraq to secure the release of 256 Brazilians being held there, O Globo newspaper reported Sunday.

Brazil has signed an accord "in part" with Iraq which conditions release of the hostages on the pledge that they would return to work in Iraq once the Gulf crisis was over, the newspaper said.

The 256 Brazilians included employees who had been working for Mendes Junior to construct a railroad track from Baghdad to Barsa.

O Globo said if the Brazilian companies did not respect the agreement, Iraq could fine the companies millions of dollars in fines and Brazil would cover those penalties.

General Secretary Marcos Coimbra confirmed the agreement but denied that the government would have to pay the fines.

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#90308d5140 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (NOV. 4) - Rescue workers Sunday spotted a twin-engine plane with 12 people aboard that was reported missing Saturday during a storm over the Amazon jungle, police said.

The pilot of the rescue plane said he had spotted the twin-engine Aereotaxis Bellavista aircraft in the Upper Huallaga region but he could not determine whether there were any survivors among the 10 passengers and two crew members.

Eight minutes into the one-hour route through the Amazon Saturday morning, the pilot radioed the control tower in Tarapoto about 800 kilometers (500 miles) northeast of Lima to say he was turning back because of bad weather.

Shortly thereafter, communication stopped.

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#90308d5250 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 4) - The South African Police (SAP) Sunday admitted it had found several double-agents of the black nationalist African National Congress (ANC) in its ranks, state-run television said.

Counter espionage investigations by the police had exposed several such policemen as ANC double-agents but their infiltration into South Africa's security and intelligence organisations were "on a fairly low level", according to a statement from the Law and Order Ministry.

The highest ranking spy was a warrant officer, the statement added.

Some of the spies have already been convicted while other alleged agents would be tried soon, television said.

Law and Order spokesman Craig Kotze, who was until recently a journalist for a Johannesburg daily, said police had taken note of Sunday newspaper allegations that seven members of the SAP's security and intelligence organisations had been recruited as ANC agents.

This was done as part of an alleged ANCSouth African Communist Party plot called "Operation Vula", designed to overthrow the government should negotiations fail.

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#90308d5410 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KARACHI (NOV. 4) - Former premier Benazir Bhutto pledged Sunday to play a constructive role as opposition leader in Pakistan's newly elected national assembly, despite repeating charges that elections last month were rigged.

Ms. Bhutto's People's Democratic Alliance (PDA) was trounced in the general elections by the conservative Islamic Democratic Alliance (IJI) led by Punjab industrialist Nawaz Sharif.

"We have accepted to play a constructive role of opposition in the assembly in the best interest of democracy," Ms. Bhutto told reporters here Sunday after arriving in her home province of Sindh from Islamabad.

"It is not a pleasant job in the house which has been largely created through massive rigging," she said.

"I believe that we have to take a stand now against such injustices to the people of Pakistan who have been cheated in their right of franchise through rigging," the former premier added.

Ms. Bhutto demanded investigations into what she called "false allegations" against her and her party and underlined that she required relief.

"If we are not provided relief then we would consider it a constitutional dictatorship," she said.

Ms. Bhutto said "we have not resorted to agitational politics in the best interest of the country and democracy although people were enraged over the massive rigging and subversion of their will."

"The people have only the right to franchise and if that is also subverted then no one will have faith in democracy and the country would suffer," she said.

Ms. Bhutto will return to Islamabad on Monday to participate in Tuesday's proceedings of the national assembly, which is to elect the new prime minister. The IJI has nominated Mr. Sharif for the post.

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#90308d5580 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HOUSTON, TX (NOV. 4) - President George Bush and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher discussed the Gulf crisis by telephone Sunday, the White House said.

It did not provide details of the conversation, which came as Secretary of State James Baker visited the Middle East on a trip aimed at reinforcing the international coalition against Iraq and discussing the possible use of force against Baghdad.

Mr. Bush was in Houston Sunday on a Republican campaign swing to garner support for Tuesday's legislative and gubernatorial elections. He is to cast his ballot that day in Houston, where he is registered to vote, before returning to Washington.

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#90308d6000 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAGUA (NOV. 4) - Nicaragua Sunday devalued its currency for the 43rd time since President Violeta Chamorro took office in April, with the cordoba dropping to 1.61 million to the dollar.

That compared to the previous level of 1.54 million cordobas per dollar, the Nicaraguan Central Bank said.

The move, part of efforts to heal an economy battered by a decade-long civil war that ended this year, was aimed at boosting exports by making them cheaper.

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#90308d6060 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (NOV. 5) - Asian Development Bank (ADB) President Kimimasa Tarumizu warned Monday the world economy was on the brink of a recession and promised special measures to protect developing countries in the region.

Speaking at the opening of a conference on the Asian economic outlook at the ADB headquarters in Manila, Mr. Tarumizu said this situation was partly caused by a slowdown in Western countries and the Gulf crisis.

"After a long period of sustained economic growth, the world economy appears to be teetering on the edge of a recession," he said.

He noted that the rate of economic progress in Asia was imperiled because it had become "an active participant in the world trading system."

Many Asian countries were heavy oil importers and major exporters of labor to the Middle East, relying on remittances from these workers.

Such countries "have been directly hit by the Middle East crisis," which affected both oil imports and labor exports, Mr. Tarumizu said.

Higher oil prices would raise the import bills of these countries, leading to higher domestic production costs, slower growth and higher inflation.

Mr. Tarumizu said the ADB was concerned about these developments and was "exploring ways and means of responding to the needs" of its developing member countries to adjust their economies and maintain growth.

Asia-Pacific economies, led by the "four dragons" Taiwan, South Korea, Singapore and Hong Kong, had collectively been the fastest-growing of any region in the world in recent years.

Mr. Tarumizu hailed the political developments in Eastern Europe, adding "we see in Eastern Europe and the (Soviet Union), immense opportunity for collaboration with developing member countries."

But the ADB was also concerned about the impact of changes in Eastern Europe on the flow of resources to developing Asian countries, he added.

Some developing Asian countries had expressed concern over the possible shift of Western aid priorities to Eastern Europe.

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#90308d6160 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (NOV. 5) - Adelaide Steamship Co. Ltd. (Adsteam) announced Monday it

would slash debt by three billion Australian dollars (2.3 billion U.S.) and focus on retailing.

Shares in the diversified investment company plunged 46 cents to 60 cents on Friday compared to a 1990 high of 6.60 dollars due to fears about debt estimated at seven billion dollars (5.4 billion U.S.).

"The program aims to reduce group debt by at least three billion dollars over an 18-month period and to rationalise the current complex group structure by eliminating cross equity holdings between companies," Adsteam said in a statement.

During the 1980s, Chief Executive John Spalvins built up Adsteam into Australia's third largest employer by capturing interests in retailer David Jones, the diversified Petersville Sleigh, brewer Tooths and manufacturer National Consolidated.

The group's complex cross-shareholdings have also sparked falls in the share prices of Adsteam associates.

The debt reduction program would "include sales of non-core assets ... and the raising of new equity," Adsteam said. "The intention is that the group will focus on retailing."

Mr. Spalvins and Adsteam's Finance Director Michael Kent would resign from the boards of Petersville Sleigh and National Consolidated, the company said.

Howard Smith directors had called for the resignation of the pair after Petersville Sleigh's decided to sell its 162 million dollar shareholding (125 million U.S.) in their company.

"Despite adverse publicity in respect of the group in recent weeks, Adsteam and its associates advise that operations continue to trade satisfactorily.

"There has been no breach either within Adsteam or any of its associates of any borrowing arrangements," Adsteam said.

Following the announcement, Adsteam shares jumped 27 cents to 87 cents, Petersville surged 18 cents to 98 cents, Tooth gained 20 to 2.60 dollars, David Jones added five to 2.55 dollars while Howard Smith increased 10 cents to 3.95 dollars.

In September, Adsteam announced an annual net profit rise of 9.7 percent to 200.3 million dollars (155 million U.S.) for the year to June 30.

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#90308d6190 11/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 5) - Suzuki Motor Corp. is to begin within this week making mini passenger cars jointly at a Chinese plant in Chongqing, Sichuan Province, officials said monday.

The officials said Beijing approved the start of the joint project when Suzuki Motor's President Osamu Suzuki visited China Sunday for talks on the plan.

Japan's leading minicar producer plans to make 0.8-litre cars based on the Alto hatchback model with five doors on a knockdown basis.

Suzuki aims to increase production to 10,000 units a year, beginning with 400 units by the end of this year and 1,000 units next year, according to the officials.

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#90308e0002 11/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BONN (NOV. 4) EFE - The Soviet Union is strategic stockpiles -- of cigarettes.

Hit by violent strikes and demonstrations earlier this year by workers who found state shops empty of tobacco the government is looking to buy some 40 billion cigarettes to build up reserves, the Soviet trade office in Bonn said Saturday.

The Soviets have already made deals with German companies to import 2.6 billion cigarettes and 500 tonnes of tobacco.

But with one billion cigarettes representing no more than an average days' smoking in the USSR, they have also had to turn to U.S. giants Philip Morris and R.J. Reynolds for further supplies.

Soviet orders for 20 billion from the German subsidiaries of Reynolds and Philip Morris are said to be the biggest they have ever received.

Poland is also tipped as a supplier, having agreed the export of three billion cigarettes in exchange for natural gas.

The problems caused in the Soviet Union by lack of cigarettes also reached the ears of the Spanish government.

Among the gifts presented to President Mikhail Gorbachev on his visit to Madrid last month was a promised shipment of a further 40 billion smokes.

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#90308p3177 11/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

LARGO, FL (NOV. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Nokia Mobile Phones and QUALCOMM Inc. of San Diego announced today that they have signed an agreement that will enable

Nokia to develop and market mobile phones using Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) technology.

A digital transmission technology, CDMA has the potential to dramatically increase the capacity of existing cellular networks and could enable cellular carriers to greatly broaden the levels and types of services now available on cellular frequencies.

Nokia Mobile Phones, the largest manufacturer of mobile telephone terminals in Europe, is also currently involved in the development of phones based on Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) technology. TDMA is expected to increase a system's capacity three times above that of the current analog Advanced Mobile Phone Standard (AMPS) network, whereas CDMA has the potential for a 20-fold improvement.

In addition to increased capacity, benefits of CDMA technology according to QUALCOMM include: enhanced voice quality, robust cell handoff, data communication and position location, better multipath resistance, fewer cell sites, inherent privacy, longer talk time for portables, and a flexible limit to the number of calls a cell can handle.

Nokia, which has operations worldwide, is also involved in developing equipment for the Pan-European digital network (GSM) due to be operational next year. It is also active in Personal Communications Network (PCN) activity.

QUALCOMM, which was founded in 1985 by Drs. Jacobs and Andrew Viterbi, is recognized worldwide for its contributions to cost-effective and workable products in digital communications. The company's telecommunications and teleprocessing research department has broken new ground in several key areas including mobile satellite communications, and interference-controlled signal processing for the cellular telephone industry using CDMA technology. The results of their work have provided for the development and manufacture of a wide range of communications components, equipment, services and systems for the U.S. government and commercial users worldwide.

Nokia-Mobira Inc., headquartered in Largo, Fla., is the U.S. arm of Nokia Mobile Phones. The Nokia Corporation's radio telephone experience and research and development date back to 1925. It was one of the pioneers in developing cellular telephony with its work in the Scandinavian market in the early 1980s. The Nokia Corp. is headquartered in Helsinki, Finland, and last year had revenues of more than $5.6 billion.

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#90308t1027 11/04/1990 ~ts
ABU DHABI (NOV. 4) TASS - THE IRAQI PARLIAMENT UNANIMOUSLY VOTED ON SATURDAY TO ALLOW 700 BULGARIAN WORKERS TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY.

AN UNIDENTIFIED NUMBER OF EUROPEAN WORKERS HAVE ALSO BEEN ALLOWED TO LEAVE.

SEVERAL FOREIGN DELEGATIONS ARE NOW IN BAGHDAD TO DISCUSS THE FATE OF HOSTAGES INCLUDING ONE LED BY FORMER JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER NAKASONE, U.S. AND BRITISH RED CROSS MISSIONS AND ITALIAN PARLIAMENTARIANS.

NAKASONE PLANS TO MEET PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN, ACCORDING TO NEWSPAPERS.

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#90308t1030 11/04/1990 ~ts
KABUL (NOV. 4) TASS - GOVERNMENT TROOPS MOPPED SEVERAL AREAS IN SOUTHERN KABUL PROVINCE ON SATURDAY, THE BAKHTAR NEWS AGENCY REPORTS.

IN LONGHAR PROVINCE, GOVERNMENT FORCES KILLED AND WOUNDED MANY REBELS, CAPTURED 200 ARTILLERY SHELLS AND DESTROYED A MISSILE SYSTEM.

IN FARAH AND NEEMROZE PROVINCES, DOZENS OF REBELS WERE KILLED AND LARGE QUANTITIES OF WEAPONS WERE CAPTURED IN AMBUSHES SET UP BY THE GOVERNMENT FORCES.

REBELS SHELLED MAYWAND DISTRICT IN QANDAHAR WITH LAND-TO-LAND MISSILES ON FRIDAY, KILLING ONE PERSON.

MILITANTS FROM THE ISLAMIC PARTY OF AFGHANISTAN ATTACKED A UNIT OF THE ISLAMIC SOCIETY OF AFGHANISTAN IN LAGHMAN AND PARWAN PROVINCES. MORE THAN 20 PEOPLE REBELS WERE KILLED.

IN BADAKHSHAN, ISLAMIC PARTY REBELS ALSO ATTACKED ISLAMIC SOCIETY UNITS.

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#90308t1046 11/04/1990 ~ts
ALGIERS (NOV. 4) TASS - YASSER ARAFAT, CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANISATION, ARRIVED HERE TODAY. HE WAS MET AT THE AIRPORT BY ABDEL AZIZ BELKHADEM, CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY OF ALGERIA, AND FOREIGN MINISTER SID AHMED GHOZALI, THE APS NEWS AGENCY REPORTS.

LOCAL OBSERVERS BELIEVE THAT ARAFAT CAME TO ALGERIA, TRYING TO CALL THE ATTENTION OF THE WORLD PUBLIC TO THE PROBLEM OF ISRAELI-OCCUPIED ARAB LANDS. THE GULF SITUATION WILL ALSO BE DISCUSSED AT THE TALKS.

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#90308t1051 11/04/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (NOV. 4) TASS - IN RESPONSE TO AN APPEAL OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE RUSSIAN-SPEAKING POPULATION OF MOLDAVIA TO THE RUSSIAN SUPREME SOVIET AND ON THE BASIS OF A BILATERAL TREATY THAT ENVISAGES THE EQUALITY OF ALL CITIZENS OF THE SOVEREIGN REPUBLICS, THEIR SOCIAL AND MATERIAL PROTECTION, A RUSSIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION HAS BEEN SENT TO MOLDAVIA ON THE INSTRUCTION OF BORIS YELTSIN.

IT WILL ANALYSE THE SITUATION THERE AND, IF POSSIBLE, WILL RESOLVE THE EXISTING PROBLEMS JOINTLY WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT.

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#90308u0015 11/04/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 4) UPI - President Bush is winding up the 1990 campaign season trying to exact revenge on Ann Richards, the Texas state treasurer who riduculed Bush at the 1988 Democratic Convention. Bush is devoting tomorrow to campaigning on behalf of Clayton Williams, who faces Richards in Tuesday's gubernatorial election.

An industry analyst is reporting the first dip in the price of gasoline since Iraq invaded Kuwait. The Los Angeles-based Lundburg Survey found retail gas prices fell a fraction of a penny in the last two weeks. Friday's poll of gas outlets across the nation showed a weighted average price per gallon of just under one-dollar-47 cents.

Police says a Los Angeles man was shot and killed at the Santa Anita race trace today in Arcadia, California... causing some fans to rush out of the stands in a panic. But most of the 33-thousand people at the track were- in the words of one official- ''NOT even aware that anything was going on.''

A candidate backed by Japan's embattled prime minister squeaked through to victory today in a parliamentary by-election. The contest was widely viewed as a referendum on Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu's plan to send troops to the Middle East, a move considered unconstitutional by many Japanese.

New York police today arrested five people in a bloody Halloween rampage against a group of homeless people that left one man dead and nine others injured. The attackers... who wore Halloween masks and wielding knives and bats during rampage... allegedly shouting ''trick or treat.''

Tragedy struck Washington's Marine Corps Marathon for the 2nd time since 1986 today when a runner collapsed and later died. Boston University sophomore Lisa Christensen was a little more than two miles from the finish of the race in the nation's capital when she collapsed.

Police and news reports in South Korea say a bus crashed into a reservoir after colliding with a truck, killing at least 21 people. 20 others were injured and two other people were reported missing in the accident this afternoon 75 miles northeast of Seoul.

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#90308u0017 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 4) UPI - So now who's No. 1? Then again, who would want to be?

The top spot in the UPI Board of Coaches poll has been a curse of sorts this year as three different teams have held the highest ranking only to be knocked off.

Make that four.

Virginia, which held the No. 1 ranking for three weeks, had its 13- game regular season unbeaten streak end Saturday when Georgia Tech's Scott Sisson kicked a 37-yard field goal with seven seconds left, giving No. 14 Georgia Tech a thrilling 41-38 victory over the top-ranked Cavaliers.

Things weren't any easier for the nation's No. 2 team.

Fans in Lincoln's Memorial Stadium barely had time to proclaim the second-rated Cornhuskers as the country's best when Colorado's Eric Bieniemy rushed for four TDs in the fourth quarter, rallying the No. 7 Buffaloes to a 27-12 triumph.

--- AROUND THE COLLEGE SCENE ---

Wyoming fell to Colorado State 17-8, No. 17 Clemson smashed co-No. 24 North Carolina 20-3, No. 18 Michigan defeated Purdue 38-13, No. 20 Oregon outlasted UCLA 28-24, No. 21 Penn State busted West Virginia 31- 19, No. 22 Louisville cruised by Cincinnati 41-16, No. 23 Southern California was tied by California 31-31, and co.-No. 24 Texas A&M whipped SMU 38-17.

At East Rutherford, N.J. Rodney Culver, Ricky Watters and Rick Mirer scored third-quarter touchdowns and the Fighting Irish scored 42 second- half points to break open a tight game. Raghib ''Rocket'' Ismail caught six passes for 173 yards and accounted for 219 yards in total offense for Notre Dame, 7-1. Navy sunk to 3-5.

At Gainesville, Fla., Terence Barber's returned a punt return 73 yards for a TD and the Gators scored 27 points in the second quarter to rout the Tigers. Auburn fell to 6-1-1 overall and 3-1-1 in the SEC. Florida, 7-1 overall and 4-1 in the league, is ineligible for the SEC championship or a bowl appearance due to NCAA sanctions.

At Seattle, Mark Brunell threw a pair of touchdowns and ran for another to help the fifth-ranked Huskies earn the Pac-10 championship and a Rose Bowl berth. Huskie running back Greg Lewis ran for 103 yards - his 10th straight game over 100 yards. The Huskies, 8-1 overall and 6- 0 in Pac-10 will be going to their first Rose Bowl since 1982. Arizona is 6-3 and 4-3 in league play.

At Champaign, Ill., Nick Bell carried 22 times for 168 yards and two touchdowns to give the Hawkeyes the inside track to the Rose Bowl. Bell scored on runs of 1 and 26 yards, and running back Tony Stewart rushed for another 101 yards and a TD against the conference's top-ranked defense. Iowa improved to 7-1 overall and 5-0 in the Big Ten, while the Fighting Illini had a six-game winning streak snapped.

At Miami, Craig Erickson passed for 355 yards and two touchdowns and Leonard Conley ran for two scores as the Hurricanes blew out the Panthers. The Hurricanes, 6-2, stayed in the New Year's Day bowl hunt by rolling up a 31-0 halftime lead and coasting. Erickson finished 22 of 35 for 355 yards. Pittsburgh is 3-5-1.

At Colorado Springs, Colo., Ty Detmer passed for 397 yards and three touchdowns in the snow to help the Cougars improve to 6-1 and 5-0 in the WAC. Detmer completed 30 of 43 in temperatures that hovered in the mid- 20's. Air Force is 4-5, 2-4.

At Knoxville, Tenn., Roland Poles ran for three scores and leading rusher Tony Thompson added two TDs to carry the Volunteers. Tennessee, 5-1-2, racked up 487 yards of offense against the Owls, 4-4. Thompson ran for 120 yards on 19 carries.

At Columbia, S.C., Amp Lee ran for 93 yards and three touchdowns on runs of 5, 11 and 13 yards for the Seminoles, 5-2, who played before scouts from the Citrus, Hall of Fame, Independence, Gator and Blockbuster bowls.

At Lubbock, Texas, Boone Powell and Lance Gunn returned fourth- quarter interceptions for touchdowns to ruin a Texas Tech upset bid and bring the Longhorns victory. Texas stayed unbeaten in four Southwest Conference games and set up next week's matchup with the Houston Cougars.

At Baton Rouge, La., Randy Baldwin scored three first-half touchdowns and the Rebels held on to down the Tigers. The Rebels 8-1 and 4-1 in the SEC, spoiled LSU's homecoming and dropped the Tigers to 4-4 and 2-3. The Rebels are in the driver's seat for the SEC's Sugar Bowl berth.

At Fort Collins, Colo., linebacker Eric Tippeconnic returned an interception 33 yards for a touchdown with 1:29 to play and Colorado State's defense turned back several Wyoming comeback attempts in the second half as the Cowboys dropped to 9-1. Colorado State improved to 6- 3 overall and 5-1 in the WAC.

At Clemson, S.C., Ronald Williams ran 19 yards for one touchdown and Dexter Davis returned an interception 30 yards for another score. Clemson improved to 8-2 overall and 5-2 in the ACC while the Tar Heels are 5-3-1 overall and 2-2-1 in the ACC.

At West Lafayette, Ind., Allen Jefferson ran for three touchdowns and the Wolverines converted three Purdue turnovers into touchdowns. Jefferson scored on runs of 1, 2 and 3 yards for Michigan, which rose to 5-3 overall and 3-2 in the Big Ten.

At Eugene, Ore., Bill Musgrave threw for 224 yards and the 16-yard winning touchdown pass to Vince Ferry with 2:01 remaining in the game to help the Ducks in a Pac-10 game. Musgrave, playing in his final home game, finished his four-year career at 19-1 at home in games he started and finished. Oregon is 7-2 overall and 3-2 in the Pac-10. UCLA falls to 4-5 and 3-3.

At Morgantown, W.Va., Tom Bill passed for a touchdown and rushed for another to lead the Nittany Lions to their sixth straight win. Bill replaced starting quarterback Tony Sacca on Penn State's third possession after an ineffective first quarter. The Nittany Lions, 6-2, played before scouts from the Sunkist Fiesta, Florida Citrus, Gator, Cotton, Hall of Fame, John Hancock and Blockbuster bowls. West Virginia fell to 3-5.

At Cincinnati, Anthony Cummings set a school record with five touchdown catches to pace the Cardinals over the Bearcats. Louisville, 8-1-1, which closes the regular season next week against Boston College, is shooting for its best record since a 9-1 mark in 1972. The Cardinals last went to a bowl in 1977.

At Los Angeles, Mike Pawlawski threw a 10-yard touchdown pass to Brian Treggs with 82 seconds left and Robbie Keen kicked the extra point to give the Golden Bears a tie with the Trojans. The tie left the Trojans 6-2-1 overall and 3-2-1 in the Pac-10. Cal, with two ties but no victories against USC in Los Angeles since 1970, is 5-3-1 and 3-2-1 in the conference.

At Dallas, Darren Lewis gained 207 yards and scored four times to become Texas A&M's career touchdown leader. Lewis became the Southwest Conference's all-time leading rusher last week and boosted his career total to 4,660 yards - 12th best in NCAA history. The Aggies are 6-2-1 overall and 3-1-1 in the SWC. SMU has lost seven straight.

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#90308u0085 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 4) UPI - Democratic National Chairman Ron Brown is expecting good things in Tuesday's elections. Brown predicts the Democrats will gain eight to 10 seats in the House of Representatives... and at least hold the current edge in the Seante. Brown told a rally at the Oregon capitol... ''Things are moving

in our direction.''

The Seabrook nuclear plant in New Hampshire is back in full-power operation. A mid-week shutdown occurred because a quarter-inch electric cable was coming in contact with a surrounding pipe... causing it to ground out. The technicians replaced the cable and wrapped the new one in additional insulation.

The F-B-I in Detroit says it decided against starting a civil rights investigation into the beating death of a white man. He was beaten to death outside a fast-food restaurant by a black and a Hispanic. The F-B- I says a preliminary investigation showed the slaying was NOT racially motivated.

A Medford, Massachusetts, man faces a manslaughter charge in the fatal beating of a teen-ager on Halloween. The victim was in a group throwing eggs at cars... which caused one motorist to punch him. 19- year-old Dennis Moriconi Junior surrendered and faces arraignment tomorrow.

A Cleveland man who officials say has AIDS has been sentenced to eight to 25 years in prison for raping a 14-year-old boy. The man also was fined 10-thousand dollars. Frank Martinez pleaded guilty a charge of sodomy. The boy has tested negative for the AIDS virus.

A former part-time worker at the University of Pennsylvania library faces 12 years in jail for stealing more than one and one-half Million dollars worth of rare books and documents. Her attorney said she is mentally ill and does NOT recall stealing the books over a five-year period.

Sockeye salmon runs on the Snake River in Washington and Oregon may be near extinction. The Army Corps of Engineers has not spotted a single sockeye this year at the Lower Granite Dam counting station. Fish biologists say the many dams on the Snake River damage the fish runs.

Police chiefs in New Jersey's Somerset County gave a dying girl her wish. They paid for Leslie Dyckman and her family to fly to Disney World in Florida. The six-year-old girl from Franklin Township was diagnosed with a liver tumor in April... and is terminally ill.

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(NOV. 4) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Chicago	1	0	2-3
Philadelphia	0	0	1-1

First period-1, Chicago, Larmer 13 (Creighton, Roenick), pp, 2:52.

Penalties-Murphy, Phi, 2:37; Yawney, Chi, 3:01; Murray, Chi, 7:53; Sutter, Phi

7:53; Presley, Chi, double minor, 11:41; Creighton, Chi, 11:41; Acton, Phi, 11:41; Samuelsson, Phi, 11:41; Mellanby, Phi, 11:41; Peluso, Chi, minor-major (fighting), 17:53; Tocchet, Phi, major (fighting), 17:53.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties - Kucera, Chi, 0:57; Chychrun, Phi, 5:09; Mellanby, Phi, 13:04; Kushner, Phi, 16:43; Kushner, Phi, 19:03; Yawney, Chi, 19:25; Sutter, Phi, 19:25.

Third period-2, Chicago, Presley 4 (Creighton), 6:41. 3, Philadelphia, Kerr 4 (Eklund, Murphy), pp, 14:28. 4, Chicago, McNeill 1 (Chelios, Larmer), 19:47.

Penalties-Murray, Chi, 6:57; Kucera, Chi, 13:35; Konroyd, Chi, 14:03.

Shots on goal-Chicago 11-5-6-22. Philadelphia 5-10-12-27.

Power-play conversions-Chicago 5-1. Philadelphia 6-1.

Goaltenders-Chicago, Belfour. Philadelphia, Wregget. A-17,382.

Referee-Don Koharski.

NY Rangers	0	0	1	--1
Pittsburgh	1	2	0	--3

First period-1, Pittsburgh, Gilhen 3 (Tanti, Bourque), 5:14.

Penalties-Bourque, Pit, 8:22; Hardy, NYR, misconduct, 16:41; King, NYR, 16:41; Brown, Pit, misconduct, 16:41; Roberts, Pit, 16:41; Bourque, Pit, double minor 16:41; B.Mullen, NYR, 18:54.

Second period-2, Pittsburgh, Recchi 8 (J.Mullen, Cullen), pp, 11:45. 3, Pittsburgh, Cullen 6 (Recchi), 13:44.

Penalties-Tanti, Pit, 1:34; Shaw, NYR, 10:39; Moller, NYR, 11:03; King, NYR, 16:45.

Third period-4, NY Rangers, Ogrodnick 8 (B.Mullen), 4:54.

Penalties-Moeller, NYR, 5:14; Zalapski, Pit, 6:08; Tanti, Pit, 11:11.

Shots on goal-NY Rangers 9-9-8-26. Pittsburgh 10-14-5-29.

Power-play conversions-NY Rangers 6-0. Pittsburgh 5-1.

Goaltenders-NY Rangers, Richter. Pittsburgh, Pietrangelo.

A-16,164.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

Buffalo	1	2	1-4
Boston	0	1	0-1

First period-1, Buffalo, Hogue 4 (Mogilny, Hawerchuk), 17:22.

Penalties-Bourque, Bos, 2:13; Kennedy, Buf, 7:56; Ruuttu, Bos, 9:46; Byers, Bos, minor-major (fighting) misconduct, 13:10; Ray, Buf, minor-major (fighting)-misconduct, 13:10; Hartman, Buf, major (misconduct), 13:10.

Second period-2, Buffalo, Mogilny 2 (Krupp, Ramsey), 3:18. 3, Buffalo, Hogue 5 (Turgeon, Bodger), 4:01. 4, Boston, Nilan 1 (B. Sweeney, Galley), 8:08.

Penalties-Nilan, Bos, 2:36; Miller, Buf, minor-major (fighting) misconduct, 2:36; Brown, Buf, 15:53; Walz, Bos, 16:16; Foligno, Buf, 19:14.

Third period-5, Buffalo, Turgeon 9 (Bodger), 9:54.

Penalties-Bodger, Buf, 5:30; Hawerchuk, Buf, 10:31 Ray, Buf, 13:20; Foligno, Buf, major (misconduct), 13:20; Sweeney, Bos, 13:20; Nilan, Bos, minor- major (misconduct), 13:20.

Shots on goal-Buffalo 9-12-13-34. Boston 7- 15-9-31.

Power-play conversions-Buffalo 3-0, Boston 7-0.

Goaltenders-Buffalo, Puppa. Boston, Moog. A-14,448.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

New Jersey	0	3	2-5
Edmonton	1	0	1-2

First period-1, Edmonton, Murphy, 3 (Tikkanen, S. Smith), pp, 13:43.

Penalties-Bench, NJ, 0:46; Brown, Edm, 4:28; Kasatonov, NJ, 8:54; NJ, Marcinyshyn, 12:04.

Second period-2, New Jersey, MacLean, 6 (Driver, Weinrich), pp, 1:58. 3, New Jersey, Lemieux, 6 (Ciger, Marcinyshyn), 6:43. 4, New Jersey, Kasatonov, 2 (Stastny, Poddubny), 17:55.

Penalties-Semenov, Edm, 0:31; Tikkanen, Edm, 1:17; Sundstrom, NJ, 10:12; Anderson, Edm, 11:39; Driver, NJ, 19:04.

Third period-5, Edmonton, S. Smith, 3 (Hawgood), pp, 0:57. 6, New Jersey, MacLean 7 (Shanahan), 6:35. 7, New Jersey, Shanahan, 4 (Sundstrom, Kasatonov) pp, 17:48.

Penalties-Buchberger, Edm, 8:06. Lowe, Edm, 16:07.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 4-14-8-26. Edmonton 10-4-8-22.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 6-2. Edmonton 5-2.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Ranford. New Jersey, Terreri. A-16,547.

Referee-Paul Devorski.

Washington	2	2	1	-5
NY Islanders	0	1	1	-2

First period-1, Washington, Rouse 2 (Hunter, Johansson), 10:38. 2, Washington, Langway 1 (Ridley), 19:00.

Penalties- Nylund, NYI, 14:17.

Second period-3, Washington, Purves 1 (Tippett, Hunter), 2:26. 4, NY Islanders LaFontaine 8 (Flatley, Volek), pp, 4:25. 5, Washington, Hunter 4 (Druce, Hatcher), pp, 17:53.

Penalties-Langway, Was, 2:59; Ridley, Was, 6:50; Volek, NYI, 9:33; Kypreos, Was, major (fighting), 11:49; Nylund, NYI, major (fighting), 11:49; Lalor, Was 14:04; Ludwig, NYI, major (high- sticking)-game misconduct, 17:35; Druce, Was double-minor, 19:53; Norton, NYI, triple-minor, 19:53.

Third period-6, NY Islanders, LaFontaine 9 (Pilon), 9:11. 7, Washington, Hatcher 5 (unassisted), en, 19:52.

Penalties-Hatcher, Was, 4:35; Hunter, Was, 13:47; Fitzgerald, NYI, 13:47; Leach, Was, 14:48; Lalor, Was, 14:48; Hatcher, Was, 14:48; Vukota, NYI, 14:48; Maloney, NYI, 14:48; Baumgartner, NYI, 14:48.

Shots on goal-Washington 10-9-10-29, NY Islanders 4-9-8-21.

Power-play conversions-Washington 4-1, NY Islanders 4-1.

Goaltenders-Washington, Hrivnak. NY Islanders, Healy. A-11,856.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

Detroit	0	1	1	-2
Montreal	1	1	3	-5

First period-1, Montreal, Ewen 1 (Lebeau, Cassels), 13:45.

Penalties-Zombo, Det, 1:47; Kocur, Det, major-game misconduct, 13:45; Desjardins, Mtl, 18:45.

Second period-2, Detroit, Federov 6 (Garpenlov), 4:47. 3, Montreal, Lebeau 4 (Cassels), 9:03.

Penalty-Desjardins, Mtl, 7:47.

Third period-4, Detroit, Gallant 4 (Yzerman, Barr), 3:41. 5, Montreal, Lebeau 5 (Cassels), 4:42. 6, Montreal, Courtnall 6 (Skrudland, Lefebvre), 9:42.7, Montreal, Richer 8 (Corson), 19:08.

Penalties-Barr, Det, 10:34.

Shots on goal-Detroit 2-11-7-20. Montreal 12-7-14-33.

Power-play conversions-Detroit 2-0. Montreal 3-0.

Goaltenders-Detroit, Chevaldae. Montreal, Roy. A-17,525.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

Winnipeg	1	2	2-5
Vancouver	1	1	1-3

First period-1, Vancouver, Bradley 4 (unassisted), 10:33. 2, Winnipeg, Housley 4 (Mantha, Steen), pp, 13:00.

Penalties-Donnelly, Wpg, 8:38; Quinn, Van, 8:38; Nordmark, Van, 11:30; Donnelly, Wpg, minor-major (fighting), 13:30; Agnew, Van, major (fighting), 13:30; Arniel, Wpg, 15:59; Smail, Wpg, 18:51.

Second period-3, Winnipeg, Numminen 3, (Housley, Steen), pp, 1:43. 4, Vancouver, Nordmark 1, (Quinn, Linden), pp, 12:12. 5, Winnipeg, Steen 4, (Elynuik, Ellett), pp, 15:02.

Penalties-Nordmark, Van, 0:55; Donnelly, Wpg, 3:29; Cronin, Wpg, 8:24; Quinn, Van, 9:33; Elynuik, Wpg, 12:05; Plavsic, Van, 13:25; MacDermid, Wpg, 15:02; Butcher, Van, 15:02.

Third period-6, Vancouver, Lidster 1 (Smyl, Larionov), pp, 9:10. 7, Winnipeg, Paslawski 2 (McIlwain, Arniel), 10:57. 8, Winnipeg, Evans 3, (Essensa), en, 19:49.

Penalties-Donnelly, Wpg, 8:46; Steen, Wpg, 12:46; Fenton, Wpg, 16:04; Butcher,

Vcr, 16:04.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 4-13-9-26. Vancouver 18-6-7-31.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 4-3. Vancouver 8-2.

Goaltenders-Winnipeg, Essensa. Vancouver, Gamble. A-14,086.

Referee-Rob Shick.

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Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	11	5	0	22	67	40
New Jersey	9	5	1	19	59	48
Washington	9	7	0	18	52	50
Pittsburgh	7	6	1	15	64	54
Philadelphia	7	7	0	14	51	52
NY Islanders	4	10	0	8	36	61

Adams Division

Montreal	8	6	1	17	51	48
Boston	7	5	2	16	43	50
Buffalo	4	5	4	12	43	40
Hartford	4	8	2	10	33	48
Quebec	3	9	3	9	40	61

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	10	5	0	20	52	35
St. Louis	9	4	1	19	51	39
Detroit	7	5	3	17	58	57
Minnesota	3	9	3	9	40	58
Toronto	2	12	1	5	41	73

Smythe Division

Calgary	11	4	0	22	67	43
Los Angeles	9	4	1	19	64	45
Vancouver	7	7	0	14	42	46
Winnipeg	6	8	1	13	48	47

Edmonton	2	8	2	6	31	37

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(NOV. 4) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

(All Times EST)

Eastern Conference
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	2	0	1.000	-
Philadelphia	2	0	1.000	-
Miami	1	0	1.000	1/2
New York	1	1	.500	1
Washington	1	1	.500	1
New Jersey	0	2	.000	2

Central Division

Atlanta	2	0	1.000	-
Detroit	2	0	1.000	-
Charlotte	1	1	.500	1
Indiana	1	1	.500	1
Milwaukee	1	1	.500	1
Chicago	0	2	.000	2
Cleveland	0	2	.000	2

Western Conference
Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	1	0	1.000	-
Dallas	1	1	.500	1/2
Minnesota	1	1	.500	1/2
Utah	1	1	.500	1/2
Denver	0	2	.000	1 1/2
Houston	0	2	.000	1 1/2
Orlando	0	2	.000	1 1/2

Pacific Division

Portland	2	0	1.000	-
Golden State	1	0	1.000	1/2
LA Clippers	1	0	1.000	1/2
Seattle	1	0	1.000	1/2
Phoenix	1	1	.500	1
LA Lakers	0	1	.000	1 1/2
Sacramento	0	2	.000	2

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(NOV. 4) UPI - President Bush told a college crowd to ''give me more Republicans.'' Bush made the appeal Saturday as he campaigned for the Republican candidate for California governor, Pete Wilson. Former President Reagan and comedian Bob Hope also appeared with Wilson. The Democratic candidate for governor of California... Dianne Feinstein... made a whistle-stop campaign swing with actors Chevy Chase, Jill Eickenberry and Michael Tucker.

Democratic National Chairman Ron Brown predicts his party will gain eight to 10 House seats in Tuesday's election and at least hold onto the current margin in the Senate. At the worst, Brown predicts the Democratic Party will hold its current 10-seat advantage in the Senate. Brown made the predictions Saturday in Salem, Oregon, where he campaigned for Democratic candidates.

Brown dismissed as ''nonsense'' Republican claims that G-O-P losses in the House should be expected because the party holding the presidency usually loses congressional seats in mid-term elections.

Grand jury testimony in former thrift owner Charles Keating's case has been made public in Los Angeles. A federal regulator testified that Keating told him two years ago that Lincoln Savings and Loan faced a two-BILLION-dollar loss- even though the parent firm said it was fiscally sound. The government took over Lincoln and Keating was indicted earlier this year.

The federal government conducted an undercover audit... and determined the vehicle exhaust testing program in the Detroit metropolitan area is the worst in the nation. The Environmental Protection Agency concluded that procedures are consistently violated at Detroit-area testing sites, the Michigan Secretary of State's Office inadequately polices the program and exemptions are too broad.

A tougher drunken driving law went into effect in Massachusetts this weekend. The law is named for a 10-year-old girl killed by a man with four convictions in New Hampshire. Governor Michael Dukakis signed the Lacey Packer bill Friday. Dukakis says the bill will make it almost impossible for people with out-of-state drunken driving records to get or keep Massachusetts licenses.

A storm dropped snow on the central and northern Plains Saturday while the East Coast had record-high temperatures. Up to 15 inches of snow fell in the Colorado Rockies by daybreak. Nebraska got up to eight inches of snow. The thermometer hit 76 in Boston, 77 in Concord, New Hampshire, and 78 in New York City. The National Weather Service says the cold will reach the East Monday.

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(NOV. 4) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

NEW JERSEY (110)

Morris 8-15 2-2 18, Haley 2-3 2-3 6, Dudley 1-3 0-0 2, Blaylock 6-16 2-2 14, Theus 12-21 12-14 36, Bowie 3-15 2-2 8, Coleman 9-15 1-2 19, Lee 0-0 0-0 0, Gervin 0-2 1-2 1, Conner 1-1 0-1 2, Buechler 2-2 0-0 4.

Totals 44-93 22-28 110.

PHILADELPHIA (112)

Barkley 10-17 6-13 27, Mahorn 3-4 1-1 7, Gminski 7-15 5-5 19, Dawkins 5-13 3-3 13, Hawkins 8-18 14-15 30, Bol 2-3 0-0 4, Anderson 3-8 2-2 8, Oliver 0-2 0-0 0 Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Green 2-5 0-0 4.

Totals 40-85 31-39 112.
New Jersey 29 27 22 24 8-110
Philadelphia 28 25 19 30 10-112

Three-point goals-Barkley. Fouled out- Morris. Total fouls-New Jersey 34, Philadelphia 24. Rebounds-New Jersey 51 (Bowie, Coleman 9), Philadelphia 57 (Barkley 10). Assists-New Jersey 28 (Theus 9), Philadelphia 24 (Barkley 8). Technicals-Mahorn, New Jersey illegal defense 2, Philadelphia coach Lynam, Philadelphia illegal defense, Barkley. A-15,678.

BOSTON (106)

Bird 10-22 1-2 21, M.Smith 0-0 0-0 0, Parish 6-16 2-4 14, Lewis 10-21 3-4 23, Shaw 5-12 2-3 12, McHale 8-12 3-6 19, Gamble 6-8 0-0 12, Brown 2-4 1-1 5.

Totals 47-95 12-20 106.

NEW YORK (103)

Oakley 5-10 3-6 13, Vandeweghe 9-18 7-9 26, Ewing 8-24 11-13 27, Jackson 5-8 0-0 11, G.Wilkins 6-11 3-3 15, Cheeks 1-6 2-2 4, Mustaf 1-3 0-0 2, Quinnett 0-0 0-0 0, Tucker 2-4 0-0 5, Gray 0-0 0-0 0, E. Wilkins 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 37- 84 26-33 103.

Boston	21	29	29	27--106
New York	35	25	24	19--103

Three-point goals-Vandeweghe, Jackson, Tucker. Fouled out-Ewing. Total

fouls-Boston 21, New York 21. Rebounds-Boston 47 (Bird 12), New York 41(Ewing 20). Assists-Boston 26(Shaw 9), New York 27 (Jackson 12). Technicals-Shaw. A-19,081.

CHARLOTTE (104)

Newman 4-7 2-4 11, Gilliam 7-15 5-6 19, Reid 3-6 3-4 9, Bogues 2-7 0-0 4, Chapman 5-10 5-6 18, Tripuka 7-11 2-4 16, Hoppen 1-1 0-0 2, Gattison 3-3 6-8 12, Curry 4-6 0-0 9, Gill 2-7 0-0 4. Totals 38-73 23-32 104.

ORLANDO (97)

Turner 2-7 0-0 4, Reynolds 5-9 2-2 12, Kite 5-11 3-5 13, Skiles 2-4 3-4 7, Anderson 13-26 1-5 27, Catledge 3-8 1-2 7, Acres 1-1 0-2 2, Vincent 4-9 1-2 9, Smith 3-10 3-4 10, Scott 0-4 0-0 0, Ansley 2-3 2-2 6.

Totals 40-91 16-28 97.

Charlotte	36	23	23	22-104
Orlando	29	24	20	24--97

Three-point goals-Chapman 3, Newman, Curry, Smith. Total fouls-Charlotte 22, Orlando 21. Rebounds-Charlotte 34 (Gilliam 13), Orlando 49 (Smith 12). Assists-Charlotte 22 (Bogues 9), Orlando 20 (Vincent 6). Technicals-None. A-15,077.

DENVER (110)

Woolridge 7-17 7-8 21, Dunn 2-5 0-0 4, Rasmussen 7-11 0-0 14, Johnson 3-8 4-5 10, Lichti 7-11 0-0 16, Gaines 4-7 2-4 10, Lane 2-6 2-4 6, W.Davis 6-15 0-0 12 Cook 4-4 1-1 9, Wolf 2-6 2-2 6, Liberty 1-8 0-0 2.

Totals 45-98 18-24 110.

DALLAS (140)

McCray 4-5 0-0 8, Tarpley 11-17 3-3 25, Donaldson 3-7 4-4 10, Harper 9-15 2-2 21, Blackman 5-10 3-3 13, Lever 4-9 5-6 13, Williams 7-11 0-0 14, English 6-11 2-2 14, B.Davis 2-5 1-2 5, Alford 3-4 0-0 6, White 2-6 1-2 5, Shasky 3-4 0-0 6.

Totals 59-104 21-24 140.

Denver	28	20	24	38--110
Dallas	37	34	28	41--140

Three Point Goals-Lichti 2, Harper. Fouled Out-none. Total Fouls-Denver 23, Dallas 23. Rebounds-Denver 35 (Rasmussen 11), Dallas 54 (Tarpley 13). Assists-Denver 26 (Gaines 9), Dallas 37 (McCray 8). Technicals-none. A-17,007.

CHICAGO (102)

Hor. Grant 1-4 9-12 11, Pippen 4-8 0-1 8, Cartwright 3-7 2-3 8, Jordan 11-22 6-9 28, Paxson 2-4 3-4 7, Hopson 2-5 0-0 4, Armstrong 1-6 6-6 8, S. King 1-4 2-2 4, Perdue 1-2 3-4 5, Hodges 6-12 2-4 14, Williams 1-3 3-6 5.

Totals 33-77 34-47 102.

WASHINGTON (103)

Har. Grant 6-12 0-0 12, B. King 14 -30 16-21 44, Jones 1-2 2-4 4, Robinson 4-8 2-2 10, Workman 0-1 0-0 0, Ellison 0-2 0-0 0, Walker 3-7 4-6 10, Alarie 2-4 4-4 8, English 4-9 5-10 13, Foster 1-1 0-2 2, Hammons 0-0 0-0 0, Irvine 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 35-76 33-49 103.

Chicago	28	32	21	21-102
Washington	24	27	28	24-103

Three-point goals-Hodges 4. Fouled out-Hor. Grant, Pippen, Ellison. Total fouls-Chicago 39, Washington 36. Rebounds-Chicago 49 (Jordan 10), Washington 39 (Jones 9). Assists-Chicago 16 (Armstrong 4), Washington 24 (B. King 6). Technicals- Walker. A-18,756.

HOUSTON (106)

Thorpe 6-10 8-11 20, Wood 1-7 0-0 3, Olajuwon 9-17 8-9 26, K. Smith 7-12 4-5 19, Woodson 2-6 0-0 4, Feitl 2-4 0-0 4, Maxwell 4-10 7-8 16, Floyd 5-12 2-2 12 L. Smith 1-1 0-0 2, Caldwell 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 37-79 29-35 106.

SEATTLE (118)

McDaniel 11-17 2-2 24, McKey 8-15 1-1 17, Cage 3-4 2-4 8, Payton 4-11 2-2 10, Threatt 7-12 2-3 16, Barros 2-8 1-1 5, Polynice 7-8 4-6 18, Kemp 5-9 4-4 14, Dailey 2-6 2-2 6.

Totals 49-90 20-25 118.

Hoston	27	28	24	27-106
Seattle	26	38	30	24-118

UTAH (102)

Bailey 5-12 5-6 15, K.Malone 7-16 14-19 29, Eaton 1-1 2-2 4, J.Malone 6-10 1-1

13, Stockton 5-11 5-7 15, Rudd 1-4 1-2 4, Edwards 2-2 0-0 4, Brown 2-3 4-7 8, Griffith 4-8 0-0 10, Palmer 0-0 0-0 0, Toolson 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 33-67 32-44 102.

PHOENIX (101)

Chambers 4-12 11-11 19, Rambis 4-5 0-0 8, West 3-3 1-1 7, K.Johnson 7-12 14-17 28, Majerle 3-9 1-4 7, Battle 5-9 1-3 11, Nealy 1-2 0-0 2, E.Johnson 5-12 1-1 11, Perry 0-2 2-2 2, Ceballos 2-5 2-6 6.

Totals 34-81 33-45 101.

Utah	31	22	29	20-102
Phoenix	29	23	30	19-101

Three point goals-Griffith 2, K.Malone, Rudd. Fouled out-Eaton, Rambis. Total fouls-Utah 33, Phoenix 28. Rebounds-Utah 41 (K.Malone 14), Phoenix 50 (Marjele 9). Assists-Utah 13 (Stockton, Rudd 4), Phoenix 14 (Chambers, K.Johnson 4). Technicals-Jazz 3 (illegal defense); Suns 5 (illegal defense). A-10-111.

PORTLAND (95)

Kersey 6-16, 2-4, 14. Williams 5-8, 6-7 16. Duckworth 5-18, 0-0 10. Porter 5-12, 8-10 19. Drexler 1-16, 11-14 13. Ainge 5-10, 0-2, 10. Robinson 1-4, 0-4, 2. Young 1-5, 2-2 4. Cooper 2-2, 1-2, 5. Bryant 0-3, 2-2, 2.

Totals 31-94 32-47 95.

SACRAMENTO (93)

Simmons 7-20 4-6, 18. Tisdale 4-14, 13-17, 21. Wennington 7-14 1-1, 15. Sparrow 5-11, 0-0, 10. Hansen 3-12 3-4, 9. Carr 2-7, 9-9, 13. Leckner 1-4, 1-2 3. Colter 2-3, 0-0, 4. Causwell 0-0, 0-0, 0.

Totals 31-85 31-39 93.

Portland	22	27	16	20	10-95
Sacramento	17	18	22	28	8-93

Three-point goals-Porter. Fouled out-Carr. Total fouls-Portland 30, Sacramento 30. Rebounds-Portland 62 (Duckworth 14). Sacramento 52 (Tisdale 15).Assists-Portland 23 (Porter 8). Sacramento 21 (Sparrow 9). Technical-Portland Coach Adelman. A-17,014.

MINNESOTA (93)

Campbell 11-19 7-9 30, Murphy 5-12 3-4 13, Corbin 5-12 2-2 12, Breuer 4-6 0-0

8, Brooks 2-5 2-2 6, Glass 3-7 0-0 6, Richardson 3-9 0-0 6, Spencer 2-5 2-3 6, Mitchell 1-8 2-2 4, Thomas 1-4 0-0 2, West 0-0 0-0 0, Coffey 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 37-87 18-22 93.

MILWAUKEE (111)

Pierce 8-16 2-2 18, Robertson 7-11 4-5 18, Grayer 6-6 3-3 15, Sikma 6-9 2-3 15, Humphries 4-10 0-0 8, Kornet 3-3 1-2 7, Lohaus 3-7 1-1 7, Henson 2-3 1-1 6, Anderson 2-3 1-2 5, Brickowski 2-3 1-2 5, Roberts 2-4 0-0 4, Schayes 1-3 1-2 3.

Totals 46-78 17-23 111.

Minnesota	18	19	29	27-	93
Milwaukee	27	30	19	35-	111

Three-point goals-Campbell, Henson, Sikma. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Minnesota 21, Milwaukee 20. Rebounds- Minnesota 32 (Murphy 9), Milwaukee 36 (Grayer 6). Assists-Minnesota 17 (Richardson 8), Milwaukee 27 (Robertson 6). Technical-Kornet. A-15,102.

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Auto Racing
Adelaide, Australia - Australian Grand Prix

Basketball
Golden State at LA Clippers, 9 p.m.

Football
New England at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Phoenix at Miami, 1 p.m.
LA Raiders at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Dallas at NY Jets, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Seattle, 4 p.m.
Chicago at Tampa Bay, 4 p.m.
Houston at LA Rams, 4 p.m.
Denver at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Golf
Hanno City, Japan - $550,000 Mazda Japan Classic
Los Angeles - $500,000 Security Pacific Senior Classic
Tokyo - $1.15 million PGA Four Tours World Championship

Hockey
Calgary at Buffalo, 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Montreal, 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Toronto, 7:05 p.m.
Los Angeles at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.

Tennis
Nashville, Tenn. - $150,000 Virginia Slims of Nashville
Oakland, Calif. - $350,000 Virginia Slims of California
Paris - $2 million Paris Open

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ALEXANDRIA, Egypt (NOV. 4) UPI - French President Francois Mitterrand, in Egypt to inaugurate a French-speaking African university in the Mediterranean city of Alexandria, discussed developments in the gulf Sunday over breakfast with his Egyptian counterpart, Hosni Mubarak.

Mitterrand arrived in Alexandria Saturday evening to take part in Sunday's inauguration ceremony of the international university, the first of its kind on the continent, and was also expected to offer Egypt partial relief on its $50 billion foreign debt.

President Abdou Diouf of Senegal, President Moboto Sese Seko of Zaire and Mubarak were also expected to take part in the ceremony.

''Mitterrand and Mubarak held two hours of talks over breakfast on the Gulf crisis and other issues of mutual interest,'' a diplomatic source said.

The source said Mubarak expressed his concern to Mitterrand that countries such as Iraq were still using force to achieve their aims, and told the French leader that the international community should shoulder its collective responsibility in rejecting aggression and making sure it doesn't pay.

Iraq has picked out France as a country it describes as adopting a less hostile stance to Baghdad in the gulf crisis, and last week unilaterally freed some 300 French hostages.

The diplomatic source said Mitterrand would be explaining France's view on the gulf crisis and a settlement of Middle East issues such as the Palestinian problem, once Iraqi troops have withdrawn from Kuwait.

Iraq has tried to exploit what it perceives to be a weakening in the alliance confronting it.

The United States, Britain and Egypt have all insisted that there is no link between Saddam Hussein's occupation of Kuwait and Israel's occupation of Arab lands. But all three states have conceded that priority should be given to the Arab-Israeli conflict but only after Iraqi withdraws its troops from Kuwait.

After the Alexandria ceremony, the four presidents were expected to take the opportunity to discuss a wide range of issues, including developments in the Gulf crisis.

The new university, called Senghor University after the former Senegalese President Leopold Senghor, was created with funds from African states, international organizations and French-speaking countries.

Although Arabic is the language of Egypt, many people in Alexandria speak French and the city was once a center of learning on the African continent.

Officials said the university will have 81 students in its first year, all of whom will study environment-related subjects taught by professors from Canada, Switzerland, Belgium, France and Egypt.

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MANILA, Philippines (NOV. 4) UPI - President Corazon Aquino warned Sunday she will not allow violence to break out in a planned general strike this week and ''blackmail'' her government into granting labor demands for higher wages.

In her taped weekly radio talk show, Aquino refused to meet with leaders of labor groups who staged a violent general strike last week to press demands for an increase of $1.48 on top of the daily minimum wage of $3.46.

''I wish to warn any group trying to scare our government with a new bloody general strike,'' Aquino said. ''I will not allow this kind of blackmail.''

The leftist May First Movement, which led the three-day strike, was blamed by government for instigating the burning of 24 vehicles, mostly passenger buses, and bombing of facilities last week. Police have filed sedition charges against leaders of the leftwing union.

The strike also left four people killed.

For the violence, Aquino had blamed the 19,000-member communist New Peoples Army rebels, who openly vowed support for the strike for the first time.

''Another violent strike will not in any way advance the valid cause of labor '' Aquino said. ''It will only present another fertile opportunity for the NPA to sow terror in the streets of our cities.''

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(NOV. 4) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker arrived in Bahrain Sunday on an 8-day Mideast-European tour to sound out the allies on the use of force against Iraq and boarded a helicopter to inspect U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, U.S. officials said.

Baker arrived in the Persian Gulf island state from Washington and was later expected to visit Saudi Arabia for key talks with Saudi leaders. More than 300,000 U.S.-led multinational troops are stationed in Saudi Arabia, which insists on the final word on any military strike against Iraq from its territory.

Baker's tour began a day after Iraq offered to free all the estimated 4,000 foreigners in Iraqi custody if at least two U.N. Security Council members promised not to use military force against Baghdad.

In other developments Sunday, three French soldiers captured by Iraq near the border with Saudi Arabia arrived in Paris. A French officer and two non-commissioned troops may face punishment for straying into Iraqi territory and allowing themselves to be captured.

The French troops returned to Paris via the Jordanian capital Amman, the same route used by four ailing American hostages after their release Saturday.

Also on the hostages front, former Japanese Premier Yasuhiro Nakasone held talks in Baghdad with Iraqi Deputy Premier Taha Yassin Ramadan and was to meet with Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz later Sunday in efforts to free Japanese hostages in Iraq.

Nakasone said he was pleading for all hostages, not just Japanese. Former German Chancellor Willy Brandt was a similar visit to plead for Germans held hostage.

In Tunis, Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat said the gulf crisis forced the PLO to slash expenses by a third but that aid for the Palestinian uprising in the Israeli-occupied territories would stay the same.

In Cairo, Arab diplomatic sources said Egypt requested postponement of an Arab League summit to be held in the Egyptian capital later this month. The sources said despite Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev's call for an inter-Arab solution to the gulf standoff, Cairo feels there has been no positive developments since the last summit Aug. 12 to justify a new meeting.

Egypt fears pro-Iraqi members of the Arab League would turn a summit without an agenda into a battle of insults.

In Damascus, local radio quoted Syrian newspapers as saying the military option against Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait is ''a must'' after Iraq's rejection of all diplomatic efforts to settle the standoff over the past three months.

''Iraq will have to bear full responsibility for the outcome of war,'' the state-owned Syrian radio said. The radio quoted Syrian leader Hafez Assad, who with Egypt and Morocco has sent troops to the gulf, as saying Iraq's aggression against Kuwait had distracted attention from the Arab- Israeli conflict.

Also in Damascus, Iranian Vice President Hassan Habibi and his Syrian counterpart, Abdel Halim Khaddam, met for a second day Sunday on the gulf crisis, Damascus Radio reported. Iran opposes Iraq's annexation of Kuwait but has also criticized the preesence of U.S. troops in the volatile region.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak told visiting French President Francois Mitterrand, in Alexandria, Egypt, for the opening of Africa's first French-speaking university, that the international community must make sure Iraq's aggression against Kuwait pays no dividends.

One U.S. diplomat in the region told United Press International that Baker mission is intended to establish ground rules should the military option become necessary.

''Baker's mission on this tour is not to get a green light from Arab and European allies to launch a military strike against Iraq,'' the diplomat said. ''Rather, it is to listen to their opinions on the use of such an option s a last resort and to establish some kind of ground rules for the use of the military option as a last resort.''

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(NOV. 4) UPI - Democratic National Chairman Ron Brown predicts the Democrats will gain eight to 10 seats in the U-S House in Tuesday's elections. Brown says the Democrats should hold the current edge in the Senate.

President Bush is campaigning in California for Republican gubernatorial candidate Pete Wilson. Bush asked one crowd to- in his words- ''give me more Republicans.''

Iraq has promised to free all its foreign hostages in return for a promise it will NOT be attacked. Iraq wants that promise either from the U-N Security

Council or from five major nations.

The Seabrook nuclear plant in New Hampshire has resumed full-power operation. It was shut down in midweek because an electrical cable grounded out when it came in contact with a pipe.

Heavy snow hit the central and northern Plains. Up to 15 inches of snow fell in the Colorado Rockies. Nebraska had up to eight inches of snow.

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(NOV. 4) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

President Bush has NOT replied directly to the latest word from Iraq... that Iraq is willing to trade all its foreign hostages for a guarantee it WON'T be attacked. But Bush did say Saturday he wants to stop Saddam Hussein from being ''the neighborhood bully'' in the Persian Gulf. None of the other countries Iraq named have replied, either.

Iraq released four American hostages Saturday. All four are men who are ill. They flew out of Baghdad after their release was negotiated by private groups. Iraq also released three French soldiers who were captured Monday. An estimated four-thousand foreign men are still being held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait.

President Bush and former President Reagan lined up behind the Republican candidate for California during the final weekend of the close campaign. Bush and Reagan made appearances with Pete Wilson, who is in a tight race with Democrat Dianne Feinstein, former San Francisco mayor.

At a campaign rally on the campus of California Lutheran University in Thousand Oaks... Bush praised Wilson's leadership in the Senate on the issues of environmentalism and criminal law reform. Bush said the Democrats are choking progress in those areas.

Democratic National Chairman Ron Brown believes Democratic congressional candidates will do all right Tuesday. Brown predicts the Democrats will gain eight to 10 House seats and at least keep their current edge in the Senate. Brown said the Democrats are most likely to pick up Senate seats in Oregon, North Carolina and Kentucky.

The Motor City... Detroit... is being criticized for its program to test vehicle exhausts. The Environmental Protection Agency conducted an undercover audit. And the E-P-A found the Detroit area's program the worst in the nation. The E-P-A says Detroit is at least 50 percent short of meeting minimum pollution reduction goals.

A radical Hindu group in India says it will call a one-day general strike in New Delhi tomorrow. The strike will be to protest the deaths of Hindus who have been killed in violence that erupted because of Hindu plans to build a temple on the site of a Moslem mosque. More than 170 people have been killed.

Japanese police say hundreds of dolphins beached themselves on a small island in what appears to be a suicide attempt. Many of the dolphins died... despite the attempts by Japanese fishermen to drive the dolphins back into the East China Sea.

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MANILA, Philippines (NOV. 4) UPI - Former Philippine First Lady Imelda Marcos who was reported to have reached a deal with government repatriating part of her family's wealth, has offered to return all her late husband's riches, a newspaper said Sunday.

The independent Manila Standard said Mrs. Marcos made the offer in exchange for Manila's permission to allow her to return. The Standard said it interviewed Mrs. Marcos by telephone from her Beverly Hills hotel in Los Angeles Saturday.

Mrs. Marcos and her late husband Ferdinand, who was overthrown in a civilian backed military uprising in February 1986 and forced into Hawaiian exile, were alleged to have stolen upwards of $10 billion during the late dictator's 20-year rule.

President Corazon Aquino's government has banned the return of the Marcoses for security reasons.

David Castro, chairman of the presidential commission on good government which was tasked with recovering the Marcos's wealth, announced last week the government of President Corazon Aquino was concluding a deal with Mrs. Marcos repatriating 60 percent of the cash and gold in five Hong Kong banks.

Aquino said Friday in a statement to reporters the deal ''concerns sums of money held under names of nominees.''

''All the wealth of President Marcos, and my life as well, I dedicate for the betterment of all Filipinos,'' Marcos was quoted to have said by the Standard in the local Tagalog dialect.

''I am coming home to dedicate my life and my husband's legacy to rebuild the country and provide a better life for all Filipinos.''

Aquino also said ''the projected settlement does not entail dropping civil

cases (against the Marcoses) in the Philippines, but possibly civil cases in the United States only, if the amounts are significant.''

Aquino declined to say if the deal allowed Mrs. Marcos to return but said criminal cases are not part of the settlement.

The government has lodged some 47 civil suits in the Philippines against the Marcoses and their ''cronies'' in an effort to recover the alleged ill-gotten wealth stashed in local and foreign banks, but have avoided filing criminal suits against Imelda and her children.

Philippine law calls for presence of the accused in criminal suits.

Castro said the Philippines, saddled with a $27 billion foreign debt, has realized it would take a long time for the courts to settle government claims against the Marcoses.

In July, a New York federal district court acquitted Mrs. Marcos of charges she stole more than $200 million during her husband's9jured by stones dropped from an army helicopter, Palestinian sources said. The army spokesman had no information on the reports that a helicopter had dropped stones.

Military sources reported that 27 Gaza residents had been wounded Sunday and 88 Saturday.

The entire Gaza Strip was declared a closed military zone, preventing journalists from entering. In addition, curfews were imposed on two villages and three refugess camp, confining about 150,000 Palestinians to their homes.

Alzaneen's family refused to accept the prisoner's body from the army for burial until an independent autopsy was performed to determine the cause of death.

In a separate development, the Israeli Cabinet decided to reject a report by U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar suggesting that the signatories of the Geneva Convention meet to discuss Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Perez de Cuellar submitted the report to the Security Council after Israel refused to accept a U.N. delegation to investigate at the Al Aqsa Mosque on the Temple Mount riots.

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(NOV. 4) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker arrived in the Gulf state of Bahrain today to begin a tour of the Middle East and Europe. U-S officials say Baker will try to get support from the allies for the use of military force against Iraq. One diplomat said force would be a last resort and Baker also will discuss the use of more economic and political pressure. From Bahrain,

Baker made a quick helicopter trip to Saudi Arabia, inspected U-S troops and returned to Bahrain.

Voters in Oregon and Nevada Tuesday will have to face abortion issues. Voters will decide whether to amend the Oregon constitution to prohibit abortion except in cases of rape or incest or where the mother's life is threatened. Oregon voters also will be asked if doctors should notify parents before a minor can have an abortion. Nevada voters will be asked to establish the right to an abortion in the state constitution.

Higher air travel prices will keep people on the ground. David Swierenga of the Air Transport Association says passenger traffic will fall three to four percent next year because of fare increases. The industry had been growing seven percent a year. Swierenga said- ''The situation is really grim looking.'' Ticket prices have increased about 15 percent since August because fuel costs were pushed up by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Snow whitened the central and northern Plains yesterday. A storm dumped heavy snow in the central Rockies of Colorado. Heavy snow also fell in parts of Kansas, Nebraska and South Dakota. Rain fell in the southern Plains and was expected to change to snow in parts of Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas. The East enjoyed record high temperatures.

South Africa has appointed Harry Schwarz as the new ambassador to the United States. Schwarz is a liberal Democratic Party member of parliament and a critic of apartheid. Foreign Minister R.F. Botha announced his appointment, to begin early next year. Schwarz says the nine months of President Frederik de Klerk's reforms indicate that South Africa's racial segregation is on the way out.

Police in Leipzig, Germany, opened fire during a riot outside a soccer stadium yesterday and killed one person. Three people were injured. A police spokesman said the police were under intense attack by mobs throwing stones. The police say they made more than 80 arrests. The riot began before the start of a soccer game and lasted for several hours.

The New York Daily News denies charges that it is giving free copies to homeless people to sell so it can hold onto circulation during a strike. 14 groups advocating rights for the homeless called the News action ''the lowest form of exploitation imaginable.'' A News spokeswoman denied the charges. Nine unions are on strike against the News.

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ALBANY, NY (NOV. 4) UPI - In light of a recent report that one out of every five attorneys suffers drug and alcohol dependency, professional groups are implementing a number of programs to deal with the problem.

There are about 60 major organizations nationwide with programs to help attorneys and judges impaired by drug and alcohol abuse, said Ray Lopez, director of the New York State Bar's Lawyers Assistance Program.

A recent survey by the American Bar Association found nearly one in every five attorneys struggles with some form of addiction, about twice the national average for other professionals.

The survey also found one in five female lawyers, growing increasingly dissatisfied with their careers, consumes six or more drinks a day.

Lopez said the profession itself makes attorneys vulnerable to substance abuse.

''It's a pressure cooker. There's a lot of stress involved in being a lawyer. If you win a case you're a hero; if you lose a case you're a goat,'' he said. The main thing people need to understand is the abuser ''abuser

Job dissatisfaction is another factor, said Lopez.

''The reality with being a lawyer in the field is at odds with what they learn in law school. There's a tremendous amount of competition,'' he said. ''You don't get into the financial bracket you thought you could get. It's also not the same intellectual process that you had in law school.''

The New York program began in July and is already making inroads, Lopez said. A toll-free number averages 150 calls a month in a state that has 92,000 attorneys - 18,000 who may be drug- or alcohol-impaired.

David Pfalzgraf, chairman of the state Bar's Committee of Lawyer Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, said alcoholic lawyers will not stop until they reach bottom, but there is hope.

''That bottom can be raised before the lawyer loses his partnership or his family, or has been indicted for failure to file his income tax,'' he said.

He said one method is to hold a meeting, known in the medical profession as an intervention, with a partner, spouse, the lawyer's best client and a judge.

''After a bit of rehearsal, the lawyer is brought into the room where the people are sitting and he listens to what they have to say. They don't talk about his drinking. They talk about how his actions have affected them,'' he said.

''He'll listen to a partner complain that he's sick of covering court for him for an entire afternoon. Or his wife may say she's embarrased to phone the office and lie about her husband going to ... court when in fact he's in bed

'' said Pfalzgraf.

Then comes phase two, he said.

''The lawyer says he'll dissolve the partnership, the client says he's going to another lawyer, the wife calls for a separation. Typically, his wife already has his bags packed and he's taken to a rehabilitation center,'' Pfalzgraf said.

''All the excuses are taken away. The bottom is raised. He still has his job, his client, his family and his credit.''

Donald Muccigrosso, an Oregon attorney, established one of the first lawyer substance abuse programs in 1982.

''We started it as part of a malpractice fund for the Oregon Bar,'' he said. ''Malpractice claims are caused in large part by lawyer alcoholism or drug addiction. So we started the program as a way of keeping down claims.

''We try to catch them before they're in the discipline process, before they create the malpractice.''

The Other Bar, based in Oakland, Calif., is a statewide group of recovering attorneys helping others. Ronald Mulhall, who helps run the program, said he only learned his life was out of control when he lost his license to practice.

''We are highly educated people, which is our biggest problem. We think we are better than everyone else,'' he said.

In Washington, D.C., the Lawyer Counseling Program is tied into disciplinary boards for attorneys and judges. Director Susann Makepeace advises a group of 40 peer counselors made up of recovering attorneys.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 4) UPI - Saudi Arabia's oil production surpassed 8.2 million barrels a day this week and is expected to rise to 8.5 million barrels by early next year, the highest in nine years, The New York Times reported Sunday.

Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer also told The Times production levels since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2 has been higher than previous official estimates.

The rise in Saudi oil production, along with increases by other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, such as the United Arab Emirates, Libya, Nigeria and Iran, means the loss of 4 million barrels a day from Kuwait and Iraq as a result of the United Nations economic embargo has

already been made up, the newspaper said.

The Times said the significance of the Saudi increase was underlined by the fact that virtually all other major producers within OPEC and outside it, including the Soviet Union, Norway and Britain, have in the views of oil experts reached the limits of their capacity.

The increase in Saudi production and a drop in consumption of about 1 million barrels a day because of higher prices means that despite the embargo on Kuwaiti and Iraqi oil, the world supply may be a little more than it was before the Persian Gulf crisis began in August.

Oil experts told the Times that unless war broke out in the gulf, the additional flow of Saudi oil would send prices significantly below their present level of $34 a barrel by February, which should lead to a drop in retail prices of gasoline and home heating oil.

The newspaper said fears of a shortgage, rather than actual shortages, have driven prices up, creating what experts called ''a psychological premium.''

The Times said Saudi and American officials also expressed confidence that Iraq would not be able to stop Saudi oil exports if a war broke out, especially in view of the fact it was unable to halt Iranian exports in eight years of war despite the daily bombardment of Iran's oil installations.

The increase in Saudi production came much faster than expected, the newspaper said, and if production reaches 8.5 million barrels a day by February the country would be producing 57 percent more oil than before the Iraqi invasion.

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Nearly 100 nations are expected to send representatives to a conference opening in Geneva, Switzerland, tomorrow on global warming. They will discuss reducing industrial pollution linked to the greenhouse effect.

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WEST PALM BEACH, FL (NOV. 4) UPI - Lenders are forcing Donald Trump to auction more than 100 unsold condominium units at the Trump Plaza of the Palm Beaches in order to pay down his debt, a published report said Sunday.

Forty-five condos ranging in price from $229,200 to $1.8 million will be auctioned at discount prices Dec. 16 at The Breakers in Palm Beach, The Miami Herald said. Bids will start at $150,000.

The auction will be broadcast via satellite to bidders in New York.

Real estate agents said Trump may also be on the verge of selling Mar-a-Lago, the 118-room oceanfront estate he bought in Palm Beach for $10 million five years ago.

The mansion, which has 53 bedrooms, 33 bathrooms and three bomb shelters, is not officially on the market. It would be expected to fetch $30 million to $40 million.

The condo auctions are expected to net about $15 million, still more than $10 million short of what Trump owes on them.

Trump bought the Trump Plaza of the Palm Beaches out of foreclosure in 1986 for $40 million. Marine Midland Bank holds a $27.1 million mortage on the 221-unit complex, located on the Intracoastal Waterway.

The auction provision is part of a reprieve the bank granted Trump. His loan was due Oct. 22 and he had to deposit $1 million with Marine Midland to get it extended.

Trump has until Sept. 30, 1991 to get rid of the rest of the unsold units.

Fewer than half have been sold and there had not been a sale at the building in 10 months when a Boynton Beach gynecologist bought a condo for $400,000 on Oct. 1.

''The real estate climate is soft nationwide, indicating a need for more aggressive and innovative marketing approaches,'' Trump said in announcing the auctions.

William Lange, president of LFC Real Estate Marketing Services, the California

company hired to run the aucton, said ''No doubt the properties will be sold for less than the previous asking prices.''

Trump's recent financial woes center around his highly leveraged New Jersey casinos and New York real estate.

Two months ago, Trump negotiated a $65 million bank bailout to give him breathing room to repay his loans. He was forced to restructure $100 million in bank loans to the Taj Mahal and Trump's Castle, another of his Atlantic City casinos, because they aren't generating enough cash to repay the debt.

He is currently negotiating with bondholders to restructure $675 million in Taj Mahal debt.

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The Warsaw Pact nations have decided how to reduce their conventional arms. This clears the way for a treaty with NATO that will be the first pact for reducing conventional arms since World War Two.

Philippines President Corazon Aquino says she will not be blackmailed by a general strike into giving higher wages. A strike- the second in two weeks- is scheduled for this week.

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ROME (NOV. 4) UPI - A stone-throwing riot between hundreds of North Africans and Asians housed at a refugee center was finally broken up Sunday after five hours and 50 arrests, police said.

Officers called to the scene, an abandoned pasta factory where up to 2,000

immigrants sleep on mattresses in the sprawling complex, reported at least 20 injured people were taken to the hospital. Five police also were hurt, officials said.

Although they are unsure how the violence began, police said they brought in reinforcements after officers on duty around the fenced site reported that the immigrants had barricaded themselves in by locking the main gate.

Police said that several small fires were started during the disturbance. The rioters were finally dispersed with water hoses, officers said.

Police said that during a later search of the factory, they found certain rooms controlled by various religious or ethnic groups. Officials believe the violence began when opposing groups entered territory ''claimed'' by others.

Among the arrested were citizens of Morocco, Pakistan, Bengal, Tunisia and Algeria, police said.

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BEIJING (NOV. 4) UPI - Government negotiators from Japan and North Korea reported little substantive progress Sunday at the end of two days of talks on ways to establish diplomatic relations, agreeing only to meet again later this month, Japanese officials said.

''There was nothing surprising,'' a Japanese official said after the second day of discussions concluded. ''But both sides showed an eagerness to continue talking.''

The talks, which began Saturday, were the first such meetings since the reclusive, hard-line communist government of North Korea agreed to begin negotiations toward an eventual normalization of diplomatic ties.

The Pyongyang government, which has also tried to ease tension with South Korea, is known to be interested in foreign economic aid and investment. Japan which has relations with Seoul, has had some trade and informal ties with North Korea for years.

The Japanese officials repeated North Korean negotiators had asked them not to disclose specifics of the talks, but said there were no firm agreements other than to meet again later this month.

The talks were held at the North Korean Embassy in Beijing Saturday and the Japanese Embassy Sunday. The Sunday talks lasted two hours, an hour more than planned, forcing Japanese officials to reschedule their flight home for later in the day.

The Japanese Foreign Ministry's six-member team was led by Sakutaro Tanino, director general of the ministry's Asian Affairs department. Chu Jin Guk, director of the first department of North Korea's Foreign Ministry, headed Pyongyang's delegation.

''We are not sure if the next round of talks will be the same group,'' a Japanese official said.

The weekend talks had aimed to agree on a time, place and agenda for full-scale bilateral talks, but officials said the next round would also be at the preliminary stage.

Informal ties between Japan and North Korea have been growing over the years and accelerated in September with the visit to Pyongyang of influential Japanese politician Shin Kanemaru.

North Korean President Kim Il-Sung promised Kanemaru during the trip he would accept talks aimed at normalizing bilateral ties.

In October, North Korea freed two Japanese seamen imprisoned for seven years on charges of espionage. Their fate had been a key obstacle to expansion of diplomatic ties.

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#90308u0490 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, Greece (NOV. 4) UPI - Demonstrators chanting ''Death to America'' marched through the streets of Tehran to the former U.S. embassy Sunday to mark the 11th enniversary of the embassy's capture by young radicals, the Islamic Republic News Agency said.

The marchers, who converged on the former U.S. embassy compound from several directions, chanted ''Death to America'' and set fire to the American flag at the embassy gates, an IRNA dispatch monitored in Athens said.

The demonstration, which was officially sponsored, marked the Nov. 4, 1979 seizure of the U.S. embassy compound by young radicals who stormed the gates and took the American staff hostage. The incident marked the beginning of the 444-day hostage crisis.

Nov. 4 also marked the anniversary of the exile to Turkey of the late Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini in 1963. The exile was ordered by the late Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi, who was himself forced into exile when Khomeini seized power in the 1979 revolution.

Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani, in a speech broadcast on Tehran radio, said though Khomeini's 1963 exile was ordered by the late Shah, it was engineered by the United States.

Rafsanjani said before the embassy was captured in 1979, the United States was engaged in a conspiracy to restore its influence in Iran through the provisional government of former Prime Minister Mehdi Bazargan.

Bazargan resigned when the embassy was seized, but remained loyal to Khomeini until the ayatollah died last year.

The Iranian state radio said a message from Khomeini's successor, spiritual leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, was read at the former U.S. Embassy gates at the end of Sunday's march.

The message, heavily anti-American in tone, was read by Hojatoleslam Mohammed Khoeyniha, the cleric who acted as mentor to the young fundamentalists who seized the embassy in 1979.

Another hard-line cleric, Hojatoleslam Mehdi Karubi, used the occasion to make an anit-American speech in the Majlis or Parliament.

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#90308u0530 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

OREGON, IL (NOV. 4) UPI - Two slow-moving Burlington Northern freight trains collided in northern Illinois early Sunday, derailing three locomotives and 11 cars and injuring three crew members, officials said.

At least one of the engines caught fire but Oregon firefighters doused the blaze from the 6:30 a.m. accident, authorities said.

Burlington Northern officials said no toxic materials were involved. Police spokesman Al Winstead said six people from two homes south of the crash were evacuated ''due to all the smoke.''

''An eastbound freight collided with a westbound freight that had cleared the main line at the train depot,'' Winstead said. ''The engine of the eastbound train struck the rear car of the westbound train.''

''Train No. 40, an intermodal train out of Minneapolis enroute to Chicago, was to meet train No. 47, an intermodal train out of Chicago destined for Minneapolis, with train No. 47, the westbound, taking the siding at Oregon,'' said Burlington Northern spokesman Wayne Gonyea, speaking from Galesburg. ''While westbound No. 47 was heading into the siding, eastbound 40 failed to stop and ran into the side of No. 47.''

He said the trains were to meet in the area and both were traveling at about 10 mph when they collided, derailing three locomotives of the eastbound train plus six cars, and five cars of the westbound freight.

''The eastbound 40's crew - realizing they would not stop in time - jumped from their train clear of the accident site,'' Gonyea said.

The three men - the engineer, conductor and brakeman - were treated for cuts and bruises at Rockford Memorial Hospital, about 20 miles to the northeast, a hospital spokeswoman said. Railroad officials identified by the men as conductor Lester R. Rochester of LaCrosse, Wis.; brakeman Gregory J. Fritsch of LaCrosse, Wis.; and engineer Howard. E. Jude of the Aurora area.

''It's true that train No. 40 should have stopped. Why it did not is under investigation,'' Gonyea said. Signal conditions and the crews' orders were being investigated. Routine drug tests of the crew of each train also had been ordered, he said.

Other crews were sent to the site to re-rail the cars and locomotives, he said.

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#90308u0546 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

VATICAN CITY (NOV. 4) UPI - Pope John Paul II Sunday beatified four 19th century Roman Catholic nuns from upper-class families who dedicated themselves to helping the poor and suffering in Italy and France.

The four, Italians Elisabetta Vendramini (1790-1860) and Maria Schinina (1844-1910) and Frenchwomen Louise-Therese de Montaignac de Chauvance (1820-1885) and Marthe le Bouteiller (1816-1883), were honored during a ceremony in St. Peter's Basilica.

Beatification is a step on the road to sainthood in the church. Each member of the quartet founded an order of helping nuns.

''These women are the incarnation of the first and greatest commandment of the Gospel,'' John Paul said. ''The love in these four assumed a feminine and maternal form.''

The Polish pope added: ''The nuns discovered, day after day, the presence of God in all of the people with whom they came in contact.''

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#90308u0550 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 4) UPI - Sinsemilla Tips, an international magazine for marijuana growers, is going out of business after 10 controversial years because of what its publisher calls a government-induced circulation slump.

Publisher Tim Alexander of Corvallis said Friday the magazine, which publishes its final issue this month, fell victim to shrinking circulation he blamed on ''drug hysteria and paranoia'' in this country.

''Ten months ago, our circulation was 20,000,'' he said of the quarterly printed in Portland. ''Now it's 4,000.''

Alexander tied the magazine's death to government anti-drug efforts such as last year's ''Operation Green Merchant,'' a nationwide series of raids on stores believed to be selling marijuana cultivation equipment. Alexander's Corvallis store, Full Moon, was among those raided.

He also criticized the media's coverage of drug issues, saying it amounted to ''one-sided government propaganda.''

Sinsemilla is the name of a potent strain of marijuana plant. The magazine included articles on topics such as recipes for marijuana brownies, the productivity of various marijuana seeds and the best growing techniques.

Most of the magazine's readers lived in the Western United States, Alexander said, although it was mailed throughout the country, as well as to Canada and Europe.

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#90308u0566 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

MANAMA, Bahrain (NOV. 4) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker met with U.S. troops somewhere in Saudi Arabia Sunday and after answering questions on the future of the Persian Gulf standoff, praised the sacrifices U.S. troops and their families were making.

Asked how he felt being in Saudi Arabia, Baker said he was pleased U.S. troop morale was so good.

''They all seem upbeat, you saw the thumbs go up,'' Baker said in the meeting broadcast on Bahraini television. ''I think ... the main question is knowing what the future holds.

''That's the one thing that our people are asking more than anything else ... and of course that's something that right now can't be answered with a great deal of specificity. But I was impressed with the morale of these troops and their willingness to do what's requested to uphold the principles that we talked about.''

Asked what he thought about army rations after receiving a gift from the troops of an ''MRE,'' or ''Meal Ready to Eat,'' Baker said he had eaten a fair share in his time.

''It may come as somewhat of a surprise to know that I used to live on this stuff when I was in the Marine Corps, even though it was a little bit different then,'' Baker said.

''(Meals) were in cans then ... it wasn't a lot different, but I used to carry around with me - and it's a habit I acquired at that time and never lost - I used to carry a big bottle of hot sauce around with me.''

In a speech to 1st Team in Saudi Arabia, Baker said the administration appreciated their sacrifices and was proud of them.

''Men and Women of 1st Team, let me say that we appreciate your willingness to have us stop by to say hello today at the beginning of our trip to eight countries in seven days,'' he said.

''This is a long, long way from home, but I think that Americans are at home wherever our principles are. And that really is what this crisis is all about.

''All nations in the world have a right to be free, free from aggression, small nations as well as large nations ... it's an important principle, I think, that unprovoked aggression should not be rewarded,'' Baker said.

''The world made a terrible mistake in the 1930s when we were unable or refused to stand up to unprovoked aggression ... today we're facing the first real crisis of the post-Cold War era.

''We have an opportunity to establish - to participate in and establish - a whole new international order ... and we don't want to make the same mistake that we made in the 1930s.''

''Let me say we appreciate as well the sacrifice that your families are making in order for you to be here ... I want you to know that you are constantly on the mind of the leadership of the U.S. government as you do your part here to uphold principles in which we believe so very, very strongly.

''We're extraordinarily proud of you,'' Baker said.

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#90308u0659 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 4) UPI - Striking Daily News workers handed out leaflets Sunday to spectators of the New York City Marathon, urging people to boycott the newspaper and its advertisers as the bitter strike against the nation's largest tabloid dragged on.

And despite calls from management and some union members to end the violence, police in the city and Long Island reported additional arrests Sunday.

A delivery truck driver with The New York Times delivery driver was arrested for causing an accident with a truck driven by a News replacement driver and then attacking him with a tire iron Saturday, and two men were picked up early

Sunday for vandalizing a News building on Long Island, police said.

Joseph Martin, 29, of 68 Crest Circle, Matawan, N.J., was arrested shortly after 8:30 p.m. Saturday and charged with criminal mischief, third-degree assault and criminal possession of a weapon, said a police spokesman.

Police charged that Martin rear-ended a truck being driven by replacement driver Joseph McGee, 43, of the Bronx, at West 65th Street between Amsterdam and Columbus avenues, said a spokesman for police, officer Scott Bloch.

Martin allegedly then attacked McGee with a tire iron during an ensuing scuffle. McGee was taken to Roosevelt Hospital with an ankle injury.

Hours later, Nassau County police said they arrested two men for ripping radio transmission wires off the side of a News building at 813 Jericho Turnpike in New Hyde Park at 2:45 a.m.

John Brucato, 46, of 158 Ocrendo Blvd., Valley Stream, and Joseph Orlando, 43, of 151 Arthur St., Massapequa Park, were charged with criminal mischief and criminal tampering, police said.

It was not immediately known if the two were members of the unions striking the News.

The strike, which entered its 11th day Sunday, has been marked from the start with violence, from delivery trucks being set afire on the night before the strike began to the firebombing of a Queens newsstand Friday. No arrests were made in the firebombing incident.

The News announced Saturday it would offer rewards ranging from $500 to $5,000 for help leading to the arrests or convictions in documented cases of ''events perpetrated by union members.''

Newspaper Guild members passed out leaflets along the marathon route urging people not to buy the News, and striking reporter Tom Robbins said the boycott was picking up steam after a week of boisterous rallies in front of the newspaper's Midtown headquarters.

''The mood swing (among Guild members) has been remarkable,'' Robbins said. ''People truly feel the momentum, and are ceasing to be paralyzed and petrified by management's threats. We've evolved strategies that are effective and you don't see the paper for sale. They're being forced to give it away.

On Saturday, homeless advocates charged that the News was exploiting the homeless by giving them free copies of the tabloid to sell.

A News spokeswoman, Lisa Robinson, said, ''It's absolutely untrue. We are not giving newspapers to the homeless and asking them to sell them.''

The News, unable to distribute many of the 875,000 to 1.6 million papers it prints daily, resorted to giving away 200,000 copies of the newspapers a day. One company official told the New York Times that only ''50 to 65 percent'' of the press run was reaching readers.

Robinson insisted Saturday that management was ''ready and willing'' to resume negotiations, while a Newspaper Guild spokesman said the newspaper has refused to schedule meetings. She was unavailable for comment Sunday.

Many Guild members, meanwhile, were attending the funeral of Joel Burton, a striking News copy editor who dropped dead of a heart attack Friday in the Guild headquarters.

Burton had just posted a notice asking strikers to make contributions in his mother's memory to a fund for striking Greyhound drivers when he collapsed. His mother had died on Wednesday.

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#90308u0692 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 4) UPI - Secretary of State Baker told U-S troops in the multi-national peace- keeping force in Saudi Arabia that the future is uncertain. Baker is on an eight-nation, seven-day Mideast-European tour that opened in Bahrain. Baker rode a helicopter to meet troops of the First Cavalry Division near the Iraq-Saudi border.

Baker also told the American soldiers that the world made a mistake in NOT standing up to Adolf Hitler's aggression in the 1930's and would NOT make the same mistake with Saddam Hussein in the 1990's.

King Hussein of Jordan flew from Amman to Paris today for talks with French President Francois Mitterrand, who is to return to the French capital from Egypt tomorrow. A radio report in Jordan says Hussein talked with the Iraqi foreign minister by telephone before flying to Paris.

Palestinian sources report that Israeli soldiers shot and wounded about 100 Arabs in new fighting today in the occupied Gaza Strip. The new round of violence erupted yesterday in Gaza, where one Palestinian was killed and another 123 people were wounded.

Philippines President Corazon Aquino is warning that she will NOT allow violence to break out around a planned general strike called this week to back demands for higher pay.

A Manila newspaper says former Philippine first lady Imelda Marcos has offered to return all her late husband's riches to the nation in exchange for permission to return herself.

A radical Hindu group in India says it will launch a one-day general strike to protest the deaths of devotees in violence that surrounds the group's campaign to tear down a Moslem mosque to build a Hindu temple.

Distance runner Stan Cottrell and disabled Vietnam veteran Patrick McClary have completed what they billed as a ''friendship run'' from Phnom Penh in Cambodia to Ho Chi Minh City in Vietnam. An organizer says the 200-mile run was completed without incident yesterday.

A New York report says John Kennedy Junior has passed the state bar examination on his third try and thus will keep his job as an assistant district attorney in Manhattan.

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#90308u0761 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

GUATEMALA CITY, Guatemala (NOV. 4) UPI - Guatemalan presidential candidates planned major rallies Sunday to wind up an election campaign marked by violence and a legal battle over a former military ruler's unsuccessful bid to run for office.

Newspaper publisher Jorge Carpio Nicolle, 58, and former Guatemala City Mayor Alvaro Arzu Irigoyen, 44, had scheduled gatherings in the capital, where the majority of the country's 3.2 million registered voters are expected to cast ballots in next Sunday's general elections.

Efrain Rios Montt, a retired general who was leading in opinion polls when the courts rejected his candidacy last month, planned an appearance after several weeks absence, with advisers saying he will appeal to voters to cast unmarked ballots.

Rios Montt, who ruled Guatemala for 16 months following a military coup in March, 1982, was banned from running under a 1985 constitutional article that bars former coup leaders from taking office.

In a Newsweek interview, Rios Montt said he is ''fighting to install a state that respects individual rights. Before, I was all-powerful. Now the people would be all-powerful.''

After much legal wrangling, the Supreme Court upheld a decision by electoral uthorities to reject his candidacy.

Carpio stuck to campaign themes late Saturday when he told an estimated 5,000 cheering supporters that his government would clamp down on violence and corruption, curb inflation and improve living standards.

Rally organizers asked for a minute of silence to honor activists from

Carpio's National Center Union Party slain during the bloody election campaign.

Party spokesman Jorge Canale said at least six activists were killed, including a congressional deputy and a mayoral candidate.

Arzu ends his campaign with a rally in the central plaza late Sunday.

The former mayor, who founded the center-right National Advancement Party, has campaigned on the theme of administrative competence, refraining from harsh and frequent criticism of outgoing President Vinicio Cerezo's government.

Alfonso Cabrera Hidalgo, candidate for the ruling Guatemalan Christian Democratic Party, remains under medical care for an inflamed pancreas at the Methodist Hospital in Houston. It is not known when the former foreign minister will return to Guatemala.

Voters will elect a president and vice-president for a five-year term, 116 congressional deputies, representatives to a Central American parliament and 300 mayors.

If no presidential candidate wins a majority of the votes, the top two contenders will enter a runoff election Jan. 6. Most political observers predict Carpio and Arzu will carry the race to a second round.

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#90308u0778 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (NOV. 4) UPI - Fifty-two Vietnamese boat people who fled their homeland seeking a better economic life returned voluntarily Sunday after receiving financial incentives under a U.N. repatriation program, officials said.

The departures brought to 236 the number of refugees who have voluntarily returned to Vietnam from Malaysia since March 1989, said Marion Hoffman, a U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees officer.

She added the group of 37 males and 15 females were mainly farmers, fishermen, retailers, drivers and workers of odd jobs.

Another batch of 39 Vietnamese boatpeople are to return to Vietnam this Wednesday, Hoffman said.

The oldest man in the group, Nguyen Van Tam, 51, said he felt homesick after leaving his wife and five children behind in Kien Giang in the Southern province of Vietnam.

He added he left Vietnam about six months ago with his 17-year-old son, Quoc Cuong, in hope of finding a better life.

Under terms of the repatriation program, the UNHCR has agreed to pay Vietnam a monthly cash allowance of $30 per returnee for one year, and also help find housing, employment and other material items to facilitate their reintegration.

UNHCR officials said about 120 people are awaiting approval by the Vietnamese government for their return.

Malaysia still shelters about 20,000 refugees in holding camps.

Malaysia has been criticized by the United States for allegedly not doing enough to aid Vietnamese fleeing the ongoing war in their homeland.

Kuala Lumpur has countered Western nations are not doing their share to become third-country hosts to the refugees, and that many of the Vietnamese have come to Malaysia in search of better economic conditions rather than seeking political asylum.

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#90308u0789 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 4) UPI - Stage and screen actress Mary Martin is dead at age 76. The diminutive star whose Broadway roles in ''South Pacific'' and ''Peter Pan'' highlighted a 30-year career on stage and screen died at her home in Rancho Mirage, California. A family spokesman said the actress died of cancer.

Mary Martin was born on December 1st, 1913, in Weatherford, Texas, and attended private schools before enrolling at the University of Texas. She made her stage debut at age five and became a Broadway star in 1938, when she created a sensation with a sexy song in a Cole Porter musical called ''My Heart Belongs to Daddy.'' The show ''Leave It to Me'' marked the beginning of an illustrious stage career that included such long-running Broadway musicals as ''South Pacific,'' ''Peter Pan'' and ''The Sound of Music.''

Martin also won raves for her national road show version of ''Annie Get Your Gun,'' which starred Ethel Merman on Broadway. In 1982, Martin and actress Janet Gaynor were severely injured in traffic accident in San Francisco with a drunken driver who ran a red light. Her publicist, Ben Washer, was killed in the crash.

President Bush attended church services in Houston in his adopted home state of Texas this morning. Bush attended services with Republican gubernatorial candidate Clayton Williams, whose campaign against Democrat Ann Richards has been flagging as Election Day nears. Bush is in Texas to wind up a six-day cross-country campaign trip for G-O-P candidates. Later today, Bush will make get-out-the-vote telephone calls to Republican rallies in Alaska, Utah, Nebraska and Maryland. Bush will vote in Houston on Tuesday before flying back to Washington, D-C.

Secretary of State Baker visited American troops in Saudi Arabia today, admitting to them that the future is uncertain in the Persian Gulf. Baker spoke with troops of the First Cavalry Division near the Iraqi-Saudi Arabian border. As he spoke, King Hussein of Jordan flew from Amman to Paris for talks tomorrow with French President Francois Mitterrand. The French leader is in Egypt but will return to Paris tomorrow.

One U-S diplomat in the Middle East told United Press International that Baker is NOT in the Persian Gulf region to get permission for an attack on Iraqi forces in Kuwait. The diplomat says Baker is trying to establish the ground rules should the military option become necessary. Earlier reports had said Baker would ask Saudi permission to launch a military strike to drive the Iraqis out of Kuwait.

A diplomatic source in Alexandria, Egypt, says French President Mitterrand and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak discuss the Persian Gulf crisis and other matters over breakfast today. Mitterand was in Alexandria to inaugurate a French-speaking university in the Mediterranean city. The source said the two leaders spent two hours together at the breakfast table.

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#90308u0871 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 4) UPI - Secretary of State Baker is in the Persian Gulf region, where he spoke today with American troops in the multi-national peace-keeping force in Saudi Arabia. Baker told the troops that the future is uncertain in the region but that Iraqi aggression canNOT be allowed to succeed the way Adolf Hitler's was in the 1930's.

Iraq released 15 German nationals today, and they flew to Amman, Jordan, the day before former Chancellor Willy Brandt is to arrive in Baghdad for talks with Iraqi officials. The Brandt mission is aimed at freeing the 400 German nationals still held in Iraq and Kuwait.

A leading adviser to the late Egyptian leader Gamal Abdel Nasser says he believes the Persian Gulf war has already started... without a shot being fired. He says he believes the United States has NOT attacked Iraq because it is still learning how to operate its sophisticated military equipment in the deserts of Saudi Arabia.

A New York report today says Saudi Arabian oil production passed eight-point-two-Million barrels a day this week, making up part of the loss from the embargo against Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil. The report says Saudi production is expected to rise to eight and one-half-Million barrels a day by early next year.

Stage and screen actress Mary Martin is dead... a victim of cancer at the age

of 76. A family spokesman says Martin died yesterday at her home in Rancho Mirage, California. She will, perhaps, be best remembered for her starring performance in ''Peter Pan.''

The official Islamic Republic News Agency reported from Tehran today that thousands of demonstrators chanting ''Death to America'' marched through the Iranian capital to the former U-S Embassy today. The demonstration marked the 11th anniversary of the take-over at the Embassy by young radicals who held the American staff hostage for 444 days.

State-run radio in Mozambique reports that right-wing guerrillas raided a southern village today, killing at least 25 people in response to constitutional reforms announced by the nation's parliament. The legislators approved a new constitution that clears the way for multi- party elections next year.

Japanese officials say government negotiators from Japan and North Korea made little substantive progress in two days of talks in Beijing on ways to establish diplomatic relations.

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#90308u1041 11/04/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 5) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	7	1	0	.875	229	136
Miami	7	1	0	.875	175	93
NY Jets	4	5	0	.444	175	199
Indianapolis	2	5	0	.286	105	162
New England	1	7	0	.125	120	244

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	5	4	0	.556	212	225
Pittsburgh	5	4	0	.556	171	147
Houston	4	5	0	.444	194	169
Cleveland	2	7	0	.222	128	235

WEST

LA Raiders	6	2	0	.750	154	108
Kansas City	5	3	0	.625	176	121
San Diego	4	5	0	.444	195	156
Denver	3	4	0	.429	168	178
Seattle	3	5	0	.375	158	166

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
NY Giants	7	0	0	1.000	171	96
Washington	5	3	0	.625	185	141
Philadelphia	4	4	0	.500	199	172
Dallas	3	6	0	.333	119	180
Phoenix	2	6	0	.250	103	195

CENTRAL

Chicago	7	1	0	.875	199	102
Tampa Bay	4	5	0	.444	163	208
Detroit	3	5	0	.375	206	220
Green Bay	3	5	0	.375	147	180
Minnesota	1	6	0	.143	150	159

WEST

San Francisco	8	0	0	1.000	198	138
Atlanta	3	5	0	.375	208	221
LA Rams	3	5	0	.375	191	227
New Orleans	3	5	0	.375	136	157

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#90308u1120 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 4) UPI - The Israeli government today rejected a proposal from U-N Secretary- General Javier Perez de Cuellar that the signers of the Geneva Convention meet to discuss the Palestinian situation.

In the occupied Gaza Strip, Israeli soldiers shot and wounded about 100 Arabs in a second day of violence that claimed one Palestinian's life and more than 100 people wounded yesterday.

A former deputy prime minister and dissident member of the ruling party in India called today for the resignation of Prime Minister V-P Singh. The party is to hold a meeting tomorrow to discuss the future of its leadership.

Secretary of State Baker took his Persian Gulf tour to the Saudi Arabian desert today to visit with American troops stationed somewhere near the Iraqi-Saudi border.

At a Saudi Red Sea port, several hundred Syrian troops disembarked to join the three-thousand-member Syrian force in the Operation Desert Shield army.

Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki called on the Soviet Union to withdraw its forces from Poland by the end of next year. Mazowiecki issued the call in a presidential campaign address in Warsaw.

Italian police in Rome say it took officers five hours and 50 arrests to squelch a stone-throwing riot between hundreds of North Africans and Asians housed in a refugee center. At least 25 people were injured, including five police officers.

NASA officials at Cape Canaveral reported that a small amount of cocaine has been found under a desk in a facility used to prepare space shuttles for flight. They say an investigation is under way.

A Miami report says lenders are forcing Donald Trump to auction more than 100 unsold condominium units in the Trump Plaza of the Palm Beaches in order to pay down his debt.

Alaska state election reports indicate that the campaign to keep marijuana legal in the state has raised 10 times more money than the campaign to outlaw the drug. Late polls on the issue, however, still show a majority favoring an end to 15 years of legalized marijuana in Alaska.

An international magazine for marijuana growers is going out of business after 10 controversial years. Publisher Tim Alexander of Corvallis, Oregon, says the magazine fell victim to shrinking circulation that he blames on- quoting now- ''drug hysteria and paranoia.''

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#90308u1134 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 4) UPI - Douglas Wakiihuri of Kenya, the silver medalist at the Seoul Olympics, broke free from a pack of four with six miles to go Sunday to win the New York City Marathon on an uncomfortably hot day.

Making his first marathon appearance in North America, Wakiihuri took off on his own after 20 miles, when he gained a lead of 34 seconds over Salvador Garcia of Mexico.

Wakiihuri, who trains in Japan, never was threatened thereafter as he completed the 26-mile, 385-yard course through New York's five boroughs in 2 hours, 19 minutes, 39 seconds.

With the race ending in a temperature of 72 degrees, Wakiihuri's time was the slowest winning time for the marathon since 1984.

''I was feeling very good and was very relaxed, and I saw nobody was coming,'' the 27-year-old Kenyan said. ''I saw their reaction and saw they couldn't come with me, so I decided to go.

''The performance I did today under the conditions was the best I could do. I did my best today, and that's all I can do.

''It was really hard. We knew from the start we wouldn't make a good time; everybody was sweating before the race. I was even having problems with my legs.''

Garcia, a sergeant in the Mexican army, was second in 2:13:19 and Briton Steve Brace was third in 2:13:32. Garcia was bleeding from blisters on both feet, and feels he would have won if this had not happened.

Brace finished the race with a headache from the humidity and the noise made by the huge throng - including numerous bands - that lined the course.

Juma Ikangaa of Tanzania, the defending champion, was fourth in 2:14:32 and John Campbell, a 41-year-old New Zealander, was fifth, setting a Masters record for the New York race of 2:14.34 in what he called the greatest achievement of his life.

For the first time, no American was able to break into the top 20. The first American man was Gerry O'Hara of New York, 29th in 2:26:15.

Bill Rodgers, a four-time winner of the New York Marathon, withdrew in the morning because of illness and Ken Martin of Dallas, the 1989 runner-up, had to withdraw after 18 miles because of weakness. It was the first time he ever has pulled out of a marathon.

Martin has been troubled by a mysterious ailment the last two months and the lack of training took away his endurance.

''Mentally I was in the race but physically I just wasn't ready,'' he said.

Wanda Panfil, a Polish-born resident of Mexico, won the women's division in 2:30:45, the slowest time since Grete Waitz earned the first of her nine New York marathons in 1978.

''Because of the weather I couldn't run faster,'' the 31-year-old Panfil said with her husband, Mexican Olympican Msuricio Gonzalez, serving as interpreter. ''I've never run before in such hot weather, and it's the first time I drank water during a race and I felt a little pain in my stomach.''

Kim Jones of Spokane, Wash., making up a lot of time in the final mile through Central Park, finished second in 2:30:50, continuing her string of never placing worse than fifth in a marathon she finishes.

Katrin Dorre of Germany, running her first marathon in two years after having a baby, was third in 2:33:21 and Waitz, a nine-time New York champion, never was a factor, placing fourth in 2:34:34. This was her first marathon since she won New York in 1988, and she was pleased with her performance following a series of injuries.

''I came into this race with open eyes, and I knew it was a hard competition '' said the 37-year-old Norwegian. ''Like everybody else I was hoping to win the race, but I knew it was going to be hard. It was very important just to finish, and I know I can compete again.''

Both Wakiihuri and Panfil registered their third consecutive victories in marathons, and each won $26,385, plus a Mercedes-Benz valued at $34,000.

After 20 miles, Wakiihuri, Garcia and Ikangaa were tied for the lead, with Brace four seconds behind. Wakiihuri then broke the race open with a 4:56 mile at which point he built a 16-second lead.

Another mile further on he was in front of Garcia by 25 seconds, and he ran alone the rest of the way.

Panfil led the women from the 10th mile, and with four miles to go she enjoyed an advantage of 41 seconds over Jones. The American narrowed this deficit to five seconds at the end, but ran out of space.

''The race took shape the opposite of what I expected,'' Jones, 32, said. ''I expected someone to take it out, and I'd run my own race and catch up. Everyone went out slow and sluggish. I knew it would be very warm, so I decided to run easy, not to run for time. I didn't think anyone would run a spectacular time.

''When I was passed at 9 miles by Wanda I didn't want to go with her, I didn't want to risk my leg tightening up. She got up to a minute ahead of me, I closed it slowly but surely but I didn't make it. I'm happy to be second, and I'm pleased with the time, considering the conditions.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 4) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Notre Dame (38) (7-1)	828	3
2.	Washington (18) (8-1)	805	5
3.	Colorado (2) (8-1-1)	697	7
4.	Miami (6-2)	621	8
5.	Iowa (7-1)	551	13
6.	Brigham Young (7-1)	497	9
7.	Georgia Tech (7-0-1)	491	14
8.	Tennessee (5-1-2)	419	10
9.	Virginia (7-1)	407	1

10. Nebraska (8-1)	398	2	
11. Florida State (6-2)	328	11	
12. Texas (6-1)	297	12	
13. Auburn (6-1-1)	177	4	
14. Mississippi (8-1)	176	15	
15. Illinois (6-2)	122	6	
16. Clemson (8-2)	50	17	
17. Michigan (5-3)	35	18	
18. Oregon (7-2)	20	20	
19. Penn State (6-2)	19	21	
20. Louisville (8-1-1)	10	22	
21. Wyoming (9-1)	5	16	
22. Texas A&M (6-2-1)	3	24	
23. Fresno State (7-1-1)	2	NR	
24. (tie) Ohio State (6-2-1)	1	NR	
24. (tie) Arizona (6-3)	1	19	NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: None.

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(NOV. 4) UPI - President Bush is campaigning for Republicans in Texas, his adopted home state. Bush and Texas G-O-P gubernatorial candidate Clayton Williams spent part of the day making telephone calls to urge support for the Republican ticket in the state, where the Williams campaign has fallen from virtually unbeatable to a few-percentage-point lead over Democrat Ann Richards. Bush also used the telephone to address get-out- the-vote G-O-P rallies in Nebraska, Utah, Maryland and Alaska.

Iraq released more hostages today... 15 Germans who flew from Baghdad to Amman Jordan, just one day before former Chancellor Willy Brandt is to open a four-day visit to the Iraqi capital city. Brandt is starting a mission to gain the release of about 400 German nationals being held in Iraq and Kuwait. It has been noted that Brandt will fly to Iraq aboard a 260-seat jetliner... indicating the possibility that a large group of Germans may be freed.

Secretary of State Baker is in Bahrain at the beginning of an eight- nation, seven-day trip to the Persian Gulf and Europe. Baker took a helicopter ride today to somewhere along the Saudi Arabian border with Iraqi, where he told American troops in Operation Desert Shield that the future in the region is uncertain. Baker said after arriving back in Bahrain that he is pleased to see that morale remains high among the American soldiers.

A member of the Israeli parliament is urging the removal of Palestinians from the occupied Gaza Strip and West Bank. Former General Rehavam Zeevi says in a magazine interview that- quoting now- ''the only solution for the Palestinian people is separation from Jews.'' He said each people should return to the

land of their forefathers and Israelis already have done so. He said the Palestinian forefathers came from Saudi Arabia, Libya, Sudan and other Mideast states.

In the occupied Gaza Strip today, Israeli soldiers reportedly shot and wounded about 100 Arabs in a second consecutive day of battles. The trouble began yesterday when rumors spread that an Arab was killed during questioning by Israeli troops. Israel says the man hanged himself, and his family is calling for an independent observer to attend an autopsy.

A U-N Human Rights Commission expert arrived in Burma today to begin an investigation into charges that the nation's military violated human rights. NO members of the ruling military junta greeted Professor Sadako Ogata when she arrived in Rangoon, only senior civil servants. At the same time, the military ruler in Burma invited anyone who wants foreign-style human rights to leave the country.

A group of former Contra rebels today occupied a major Catholic church in Managua and said they were beginning a hunger strike. Witnesses reported the occupation and said the former rebels are demanding that the government deliver land, housing, tools, food and medicines promised when they laid down their arms after more than eight years of civil war in the nation.

The Justice Department says a record two and one-half-Million convicted criminals were on probation or parole last year... a five- point-six percent increase from the year before. The report says the number of people on probation grew by 126 percent in the 1980's, while the paroled population grew by 107 percent. The jail and prison population was up by 114 percent.

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#90308u1311 11/04/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 4) UPI - Palestinian sources say at least 25 Arabs living in the Gaza Strip were injured today by stones dropped from an Israeli Army helicopter. An Army spokesman confirms a helicopter equipped with a gravel-throwing machine to disperse crowds was used. Israeli soldiers also used bullets in putting down riots in the occupied terrorities. Hospital officials say at least 89 Palestinians were wounded by army gunfire today.

President Bush is in Texas, where he'll stay until he can vote in Tuesday's election before heading back to Washington. Bush worked a G-O- P telephone bank in Houston, urging registered Republicans to vote the straight ticket in the upcoming election. Bush plans to appear tomorrow at rallies in Tyler and Waco for G-O-P gubernatorial nominee Clayton Williams, who holds a slim lead over Democrat Ann Richards.

The strike against the New York Daily News will enter a 12th day tomorrow, with NO negotiations scheduled to end the bitter walkout against the nation's

largest tabloid. Striking newspaper workers today handed out leaflets urging people to boycott the newspaper and its advertisers. And, police reported additional strike-related arrests today. Police arrested a New York Times delivery driver for allegedly causing an accident with a truck driven by a Daily News replacement driver, then attacking him with a tire iron.

The Justice Department says a record number of convicted criminals were on probation or parole last year. The department's Bureau of Justice Statistics says two-point-five-Million convicted criminals were out on probation or parole in 1989... a five-point-six percent increase over the year before.

Lawyers specializing in matrimonial law say the nation's economic troubles will likely translate into additional divorces. More than 80 percent of the attorneys surveyed at a meeting today in Chicago predicted that marital stability will worsen as the economy sours. Another 75 percent expected an increase in separations... and nearly 66 percent predicted more divorces.

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#90308u1474 11/04/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 4) UPI - Secretary of State Baker is looking for a unified stance against Iraq as he travels to eight nations. Baker visited U-S troops in Saudia Arabia today as he began the seven-day diplomatic mission to the Middle East and Europe.

NASA says the Hubble Space Telescope has made its first observation of the chemical makeup of a faint object. The space agency says the quasar about 12 BILLION light years from Earth may provide clues about the early universe.

But the space agency is investigating an earthly problem at Cape Canaveral. NASA says a small amount of cocaine was found in a hangar at the Kennedy Space Center where space shuttles are readied for launch.

President Bush is spending the night in his adopted home state of Texas. Bush- who campaigned with G-O-P gubernatorial nominee Clayton Williams- will stay in the lone star state long enough to vote in elections Tuesday.

South Africa's racially divided sporting federations today agreed to unite in support of NON-racial sport. The move would allow South African athletics to compete in the Olympics for the first time in three decades.

A report today says a New York city medical investigator asked to put down a deposit on an apartment of a person he'd just declared dead. Jules Lisner says he used ''bad judgement'' in trying to get the low-cost, rent stablized apartment in midtown Manhattan.

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(NOV. 4) UPI - Secretary of State Baker is trying to unite U-S allies in the standoff with Iraq as he travels in the Middle East and Europe. But Baghdad is making some diplomatic moves of its own. Iraq's foreign minister spoke with Jordan's King Hussein today before the monarch headed to Paris. Diplomats say Iraq is trying to divide nations confronting Saddam Hussein... and has targeted France and the Soviet Union in particular.

Blood continues to spill in the Israeli-occupied territories. Palestinians angry about the death of an Arab prisoner held by Israel rioted for a second day, clashing with soldiers in the Gaza Strip. Israeli soldiers shot and wounded about 100 Arabs. And, Palestinian sources say at least 25 other Arabs were injured today by stones dropped from an army helicopter.

President Bush is wrapping up a six-day cross-country campaign swing on behalf of fellow Republicans in Tuesday's congressional and gubernatorial elections. Bush will campaign in Tyler and Waco, Texas, tomorrow for gubernatorial nominee Clayton Williams. The president and Barbara Bush will cast their ballots in Houston early Tuesday before heading back to Washington.

The publisher of an international magazine for marijuana growers calls it a government-induced circulation slump. Whatever the reason, the Portland, Oregon-based Sinsemilla Tips is going out of business after 10 controversial years... with the quarterly magazine publishing its final issue this month. Publisher Tim Alexander blames ''drug hysteria'' for the magazine's reduced circulation.

A report published today in Florida says Donald Trump will auction more than 100 unsold condominium units at the Trump Plaza of the Palm Beaches. 45 condos reportedly will be sold at discount prices next month due to lenders pushing Trump to pay down his debt. Bids for the condos that range in price from 229-thousand point-eight-Million dollars will start at 150-thousand.

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#90309b0034 11/05/1990 ~Business Wire
SUNNYVALE, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Monoclonal Antibodies Inc. (NASDAQ:MABS) and QUIDEL announced Monday they have entered into an agreement with a subsidiary of J.P. Morgan & Co. for a $3 million equity investment.

With this investment by Morgan, the two companies will move forward to complete their merger as previously announced.

Stockholders of the companies will be asked to approve the merger at meetings which are expected to be held in mid-December.

QUIDEL is a producer of non-instrument diagnostic tests for the physician's office and home market. Its products are assays for the diagnosis of

pregnancy, the prediction of ovulation and the detection and monitoring of infectious diseases, allergies and autoimmune disorders.

Monoclonal is a biotechnology company focusing on the application of monoclonal and polyclonal antibodies for the development and marketing of non-instrument diagnostic test kits. The markets Monoclonal has targeted include fertility and infectious diseases.

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SAN CARLOS, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Acumos Inc. Monday announced the immediate availability of the AVGA1 Analog/Digital Video Controller, the most highly integrated and cost effective single-chip Video Graphics Array controller available today for IBM PCs.

Acumos is the latest venture of former Paradise Systems founders, design engineers and marketing and sales management.

Using the AVGA1, original equipment manufacturers can now build a complete VGA video circuit for XT, AT- or Micro Channel-bus systems, with the addition of only two dynamic random access memory chips, plus passive components.

The AVGA1 incorporates all other functions, including video digital to analog converters, clock synthesizers, built-in monitor detection, and all system bus and feature connector interface logic.

Lushtak added that just as Paradise Systems was the first company to supply single-chip Hercules, EGA and then VGA controllers, Acumos is the first company to integrate all of the non-memory chips into a single controller.

The AVGA1 is a 128-pin Plastic Quad Flat Pack which provides optimal access to video memory through the use of waitless write cycles and zero wait state bus requests. The AVGA1 supports 16-bit bus cycles for all video memory, BIOS and I/O.

Display resolutions include all standard VGA modes, 800 x 600 x 16-color graphics mode, and 132-column text mode. The AVGA1 supports all PS/2 compatible and multisynchronous monitors. In addition, the AVGA1 comes with a host of software drivers including AutoCAD, GEM, Lotus 1-2-3, Microsoft Windows 3.0, and WordPerfect.

The AVGA1 is available with manufacturing packages and design support. Complete technical documentation is also available for OEMs. The AVGA1 is priced at $22.50 in OEM quantities of 10,000 units.

The design, marketing and sales teams of Acumos are veterans of a previous PC video success story: Paradise Systems, a company that grew from $22 million to $240 million in sales between 1986 and 1989, selling IBM PC video controllers.

The company was sold in 1986 to Western Digital Corp., based in Irvine, Calif. for approximately $40 million.

Acumos Inc. is the first company to develop a fully integrated analog/digital video display controller for desktop and portable personal computers. Since its founding in 1983, Acumos has provided application specific integrated circuit designs for companies including Conner Peripherals, Rockwell International, Paradise Systems and Western Digital Corp.

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AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Healthcare International Inc. (ASE:HII) and HealthVest (ASE:HVT) Monday announced that their standstill agreement ended on Oct. 31, 1990, without the companies having entered into the interim restructuring contemplated by the previously announced term sheet between such parties.

Although the companies continued discussions through today, they reached an impasse in negotiations. Both companies announced that they are currently evaluating their respective options.

Healthcare International provides a wide range of health care products and services to both local and national markets through 21 facilities in 4 states. The company's class A common stock is listed for trading on the American and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol HII.

HealthVest is a self-administered Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) that invests in income-producing health care-related properties including psychiatric, general health and rehabilitation hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, retirement centers, medical office buildings, medically oriented fitness centers, and facilities offering other related health care products and services. HealthVest is listed on the American Stock Exchange under the

symbol HVT.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - TriGem Corp., the U.S. subsidiary of Korea's largest microcomputer manufacturer, Monday announced a long-term strategic alliance with CMS Enhancements Inc. (NYSE:CME), a $187 million marketer of PC enhancement products and accessories.

No terms were disclosed.

TriGem Computer Inc. of Seoul, South Korea, the country's only dedicated computer company, expects worldwide revenues of $300 million in calendar year 1990.

TriGem Corp. of Santa Clara was established in 1989 to develop advanced microcomputer products for the U.S. market; expand TriGem's OEM and private label relationships in the United States; and establish a marketing alliance with a U.S.-based company with demonstrated marketing, distribution and sales strength.

TriGem has invested more than $15 million in a new U.S. product line, to debut at Fall Comdex in Las Vegas (Booth 3008, South Hall, LVCC), including i486, 386, 386SX and 286 servers and PCs; 386SX and 286 laptop and notebook PCs; SPARC-based UNIX laptop computers and workstations; and telecom products including fax machines, fax cards, modems and ISDN phones.

CMS Enhancements Inc. was launched in 1983 on a $12,000 investment and has grown to become a $187 million leader in the manufacturing, distribution and sales of PC enhancement products, including hard and floppy disk drives, memory and graphics boards, and accessories, through more than 1,500 distributors and resellers worldwide.

The two companies plan to announce their product development, marketing and sales strategy for the U.S. marketplace after COMDEX, following an in-depth assessment of strategic opportunities.

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FREMONT, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Mylex Corporation (NASDAQ:MYLX) Monday announced record third quarter sales and net income for its third quarter ended September 30, 1990.

Net sales increased to over $12.9 million which represents an increase of over 18% from $10.9 million in the third quarter of 1989. Net income increased 209% to $1,048,900 in the third quarter of 1990 compared to $339,200 for the third quarter ended September 30, 1989. Primary earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 were $.10 compared to $.03 for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990 sales reached a record $35,603,900, an increase of 13% from $31,512,800 reported for a comparable nine month period in 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $2,609,900 or $.24 primary earnings per share compared to $1,410,900 or $.13 earnings per share in the nine months ended September 30, 1989, which represents an increase of 85% over the period last year.

Dr. Akram Chowdry, President, commented, ''In the third quarter of 1990, we continued on the record pace established last quarter. The increase in sales and profits is attributable significantly to the addition of sales of our new EISA products.''

Dr. Chowdry added, ''We entered the closing quarter of the year with more than fifteen major international computer companies evaluating our existing products. At the same time, we are continuing research and development on several new products which are expected to be introduced in 1991.

''These include multiprocessing systems, additional high-performance peripherals, and a RISC-based system with EISA Bus, developed to allow Mylex to expand into the minicomputer and software markets. We believe we are well-positioned to meet our anticipated market demand during 1991.''

Mylex Corporation is engaged in the design, development, manufacture and marketing of high-end technology electronic products, including a 386 and EISA 486 microprocessor board product line of system boards and peripheral controller devices as well as graphics boards.

These products are used to enhance the performance of personal computers, microsystems and workstations. Mylex products are recognized in the marketplace for both their high performance and high quality standards.

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PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Vidicraft Inc. has developed a wireless TV relay device for general home or office use.

Called Vidi-View, the device can capture a signal and send it to any receiving location within a radius of 120 feet. Designed for flexibility, Vidi-View provides multiple cable access without additional cable jacks or installation fees.

Vidi-View transmits picture and sound, including cable programming, pay-per-view, TV, VCR or camcorder signals from a TV in the principal viewing room to a TV in any other room. Completely wireless, Vidi-View is comprised of a small transmitter and a receiver. The transmitter attaches to the video and audio of the source TV, VCR or camcorder. The receiver attaches to the antenna or video inputs of the receiving TV. Installation takes about 5 minutes.

Transmitted signals can pass through walls, metal beams and other structural materials. Vidi-View will transmit a picture and sound signal up to a 120 foot radius. ''With Vidi-View users can view cable or VCR anywhere in their home without adding extra wiring,'' said Steve Johnson, president of Vidicraft. ''For example, dad can watch a ball game on cable in the den while the kids watch a video in the living room. Users can also connect Vidi-View's transmitter to a camcorder for remote recording or for security surveillance. A mother for example, who wants to watch her children while she works in another part of the house, can attach the transmitter to a camcorder in the play room and hook a receiver to a TV set where she is working.''

Vidi-View uses ultra-high frequencies in the 900 megahertz UHF band range to transmit pictures and sound. This band range, traditionally reserved for the military, has only recently been approved by the FCC for in-home use. Vidi-View represents the first in a line of wireless, general consumer products Vidicraft plans to introduce over the next year.

Vidicraft Inc. is a subsidiary of Hong Kong based Video Technology, a publicly held electronics manufacturer. Founded in 1974, Vidicraft has specialized in providing professional-quality video and audio accessories to the home hobbyist and camcorder user.

Available now, Vidi-View retails for $149.95 and includes a transmitter and receiver unit, hook-up adapters and a one-year warranty. Additional receivers are available for $69.95. For more information contact: Vidicraft, 8770 SW Nimbus Avenue, Beaverton, Ore., 97005, 800/999-5975, 503/626-1918, FAX: 503/644-9887.

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CARMEL, IN (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Conseco Inc. (NYSE:CNC), a financial services company headquartered in Carmel, Monday reported record earnings from operations in the third quarter and nine months ended Sept 30.

Earnings from operations for the third quarter of 1990, excluding realized investment gains, were $9.1 million, or $1.20 per share fully diluted, up 30 percent on a per share basis from operating earnings of $8.5 million, or 92 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989. Nine-month 1990 operating earnings were $26.4 million, or $3.26 per share fully diluted, up 35 percent on a per share basis from $21.9 million, or $2.42 per share, in 1989.

Because there were no realized investment gains in the third quarter of 1990, net income for the quarter also was $9.1 million, or $1.20 per share fully diluted. In comparison, third quarter 1989 net income of $21.1 million, or $2.55 per share, included unusually large realized investment gains of $12.6 million, or $1.63 per share.

Realized investment gains often fluctuate from quarter to quarter. Nine-month 1990 net income of $26.4 million, or $3.26 per share, included no realized investment gains. This compares to nine-month 1989 net income of $37.0 million, or $4.32 per share, including investment gains of $15.1 million, or $1.90 per share.

Premiums and Other Revenues: The total of premiums collected and other revenues in the third quarter of 1990 was $472.6 million, an increase of 16 percent over third quarter 1989. Premiums from annuities marketed through financial institutions were approximately $198.4 million for the quarter--up 61 percent. Under accounting rules governing the insurance industry, premiums received for most annuity products are treated as deposits to liability accounts, rather than as revenue.

Assets: Total assets grew to $7.1 billion at Sept. 30, 1990, up 42 percent over Sept. 30, 1989, based on the results of new product marketing and the acquisition of Great American Reserve Insurance Co. Asset quality -- already high-- continued to improve during the third quarter. The percentage of investments in high-yield bonds was 5.6 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, down from 7.0 percent at the end of 1990's second quarter and 8.2 percent at year-end 1989. Conseco expects the percentage of investments in high-yield bonds to

decline to approximately 5 percent by year-end 1990. Less than 6 percent of investments at Sept. 30, 1990, were in mortgages, with no significant non-performing loans.

Earnings Per Share: Fully diluted earnings per share for the quarter and nine months benefited from sizable net decreases (compared to 1989) in average fully diluted shares outstanding, caused principally by the company's common stock repurchases and by the 1989 redemption of Conseco's Series A convertible preferred stock and convertible subordinated debentures.

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#90309b0049 11/05/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Earlier Monday, Conquest Exploration (ASE:CQX) issued a press release concerning an offer it received from Forest Oil Corp. (NASDAQ:FOIL) to acquire Conquest.

On Oct. 21, Conquest entered into a definitive merger agreement to be acquired by American Exploration (ASE:AX). Mark Andrews, chairman and CEO of American, said ''American Exploration intends to stand by its definitive merger agreement to acquire Conquest, and our board is not considering modifying the terms of our agreement in any way.''

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#90309b0069 11/05/1990 ~Business Wire
LOS ANGELES (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Gemstar Development Corp., manufacturer of the VCR Plus+ instant programmer, completes its move to Pasadena this week.

The move will accommodate the growth of Gemstar's staff and operations.

The new headquarters, which are three times the size of Gemstar's former facilities, are located at 135 North Los Robles, Suite 870, Pasadena, Calif. 91101. Gemstar's new phone number is 818/792-5700; new facsimile number is 818/792-0257.

Gemstar introduces VCR+ -- a simple and unique device which makes programming a VCR as easy as using a push button telephone -- this month in select markets across the country. National distribution is expected in mid-1991. With VCR Plus+, viewers enter a special code number (PlusCode) printed in local TV listings next to each program to automatically record their favorite shows. VCR Plus+ works with virtually all wireless VCRs and even changes cable box

channels for viewers who use a cable box. It can store up to 14 program choices and requires no installation. Manufacturer's suggested retail price is $59.95.

The system is made possible by a proprietary coding scheme invented by Gemstar founders Henry Yuen and Daniel Kwoh, each of whom holds a Ph.D. from The California Institute of Technology. Gemstar was founded in 1986 to develop, manufacture and market consumer products which simplify everyday living.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - TeLeVell Inc. has expanded the potential of its sales software, TeleSell, to include powerful, reseller management capabilities.

The new Reseller Management module is designed to allow the user to define reseller territories and product lines, distribute leads to resellers, and track reseller performance.

Leads are automatically assigned to resellers, with the ability to generate letters to leads advising them of the resellers available in their area. Listings of all leads are automatically prepared for all resellers. The assignment process allows for complete manual control if desired. Leads can be assigned to one reseller or multiple resellers per lead. Both round-robin and performance-based lead assignment are supported.

Reseller performance is based on percentages of closed, active and dead leads. It's easy to track performance of leads and then make adjustments to the lead assignment process, territory or product line mix.

The single user price for the Reseller Management Module is $695. The four-user network version is available for $1,995 with additional users available at $895 per each additional four users.

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FRANKTOWN, CO (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - DCX Inc. Monday announced that it has begun the discovery phase of the formal appeal process to the ''Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals'' on the third of three government contracts for which total claims of $6.7 million have been filed.

DCX Inc. elected to move forward on this third contract, for which reimbursement of $2.2 million is sought, due to the strong presentation during recent formal hearings on the two previous contracts, according to John G. Anderson, president.

''The company fully expects to prevail in all three cases,'' he indicated, ''and we look forward to reimbursement of the cost of material, labor, and administrative expenses incurred during performance on these contracts.''

In other company news, DCX Inc. reports the receipt of over $500,000 in contract awards during the fourth quarter from several of its major defense and private industry customers. The work includes design and development of a prototype connector assembly for application in ground support test equipment used in the maintenance of fighter aircraft as well as production runs of sophisticated cable assemblies.

Aggressive bidding and continued manufacturing excellence which resulted in these contract awards is attributable in part to Jeanne M. Anderson, who was appointed vice president/general manager, and chief operating officer in March of 1990.

These recent contracts bring the DCX Inc. contract backlog to $3.6 million with production now scheduled into the summer of 1992.

The company, a designer and manufacturer of sophisticated wire harnesses and cable assemblies for defense and commercial applications, expects to be increasingly competitive in the defense sector as its low overhead and excellent quality allow prime defense contractors to better cope with the newly constrained funding programs of the Department of Defense, according to Anderson.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Dividends for BankAmerica Corporation's (BAC) common and preferred stocks were declared by the corporation's board of directors.

The amounts were $0.25 per share for common stock; $0.875 for Series A preferred stock; $1.50 for Series B preferred. The common stock dividend will be paid on Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 23, 1990. Dividends on the two series of preferred stock will be paid on Nov. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 15, 1990.

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PRINCETON, NJ (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Intel Corp. introduced Monday two silicon chips that allow personal computers to produce and interact with digital, full-motion video and stereo sound.

The chip set, referred to at the i750-video processor, costs under $100 in volume quantities.

''Multimedia technology allows people to easily manipulate pictures, words, music, video, sounds and print on a computer,'' explained Dave House, president of Intel's Microcomputer Components Group.

Computer users have long sought to combine television's picture and sound quantity, (along with video special effects, high resolution photographs, text and graphics) with the interactivity and reprogrammability of personal computers.

''By doing what Intel does best -- integrating higher performance and functionality onto silicon chips -- we are able to provide the computer user with full multimedia capability on two silicon chips, at less than one-percent of its original costs,'' noted House.

This is the first time full multimedia capability has been available using just two computer chips.

This new technology makes a variety of applications affordable from common, everyday use.

For example, in an industrial education environment, employees can use a computer for training. Instead of reading how to properly prepare a hamburger or calibrate a machine, they can watch and interact with the process, vastly improving retention.

In a local travel agent's office, travelers can ''walk through'' rooms at various hotels to choose the right one for their tastes. They can also review sites and activities to finalize their schedule of events.

Even recreational activities will undergo significant change. Imagine watching a movie like ''Top Gun'' and then interacting with a computer to fly the plane.

Samples of the i750-video processor are available today. Production quantities will be available in the first quarter of 1991. The cost of the i750-video

processor is $105 in 1,000 unit orders, $85 in 10,000 unit orders.

Intel is an international manufacturer of microcomputer components, modules and systems.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - National Semiconductor Corp.'s Computer Enhancement Group announced a major expansion of its EtherNODE family of Ethernet-adapter cards for PCs and Apple Macintosh computers.

New products introduced include the industry's first Ethernet cards with an on-board security option, an Ethernet board for 10Base-T networks and a twisted-pair adapter that allows Ethernet coax boards to be used on 10Base-T networks.

Targeted at the IBM PC/XT/AT family of computers, the EtherNODE 16ATX for coaxial Ethernet LANs, and the EtherNODE 16AT-T for twisted-pair Ethernet networks, are the first LAN boards to incorporate CheckPoint, an advanced security option.

The combined hardware/software system guards PCs against unauthorized access, notifies users of virus attacks, and cannot be defeated during the system boot process.

The EtherNODE 16ATX and EtherNODE 16AT-T support popular network software, including Netware 286, Netware 386, LAN Manager, 3+Open, LAN Server, PC LAN, LANtastic and PC/TCP. Both cards are fully compatible with the Novell NE-2000 a leading Ethernet adapter card. The boards use National Semiconductor's industry standard Ethernet controller architecture.

The Ethernet adapter cards are designed for a 16-bit AT data bus, but can also operate in an 8-bit card slot when they are used with most network drivers. Additional features of the boards include software configuration, an AUI (Attachment Unit Interface) port, a remote reset ROM socket for diskless workstations and diagnostic LEDs.

National Semiconductor also introduced EtherNODE 08PC, a half-sized 8-bit Ethernet adapter card that is fully compatible with Novell's NE-1000 and supports Netware. The card is offered as an economical Ethernet solution for

any PC/XT/AT or compatible machine, including laptops.

For Apple Macintosh computers, National has introduced EtherNODE 16SE, a 16-bit board for the Macintosh SE expansion slot. It features National's standard Ethernet LAN chip set. The board incorporates connectors for both standard and thin Ethernet cable, and will support 10Base-T Ethernet through the Ethernode Twisted Pair adapter introduced today by National.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - DSP Group Inc. Monday announced the appointment of Matthew S. Robison as director of marketing for analog communications.

In this new position he is responsible for product definition, market development and merchandising of the company's digital signal processing (DSP) chip sets designed for analog communications applications, such as cellular and cordless telephones. He reports to William Nicholson, vice president of marketing and sales worldwide.

Prior to joining DSP Group, Robison worked for Philips Components-Signetics, initially as a sales engineer, and most recently in product marketing for telecommunication components. Prior to joining Signetics, he was a sales engineer and product specialist for Wyle Laboratories. Robison holds a bachelor of science degree in physics from the University of Denver.

Founded in 1984, DSP Group Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of digital signal processing (DSP) based chip sets. The company combines DSP integrated circuits with proprietary DSP software to create complete application-specific system solutions that improve performance, add features, and reduce the cost of high-volume consumer and commercial electronic products.

The company has considerable expertise in the areas of speech recognition, enhancement and compression; video/image enhancement and compression; noise reduction and suppression; echo cancellation and suppression; and digital communications.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - DSP Group Inc. Monday announced the appointment of David B. Barnes as director of corporate communications.

He reports to William Nicholson, vice president of marketing and sales worldwide.

''Because of recent advances in DSP technology and dramatic reductions in the cost of implementation, we anticipate a virtual explosion of DSP-based consumer and commercial products in the 1990s. With the increased market activity, however, comes the communications challenge to be heard above the noise,'' said Nicholson.

''David Barnes' considerable experience in public relations, collateral, advertising and technical articles will be a valuable asset in clearly communicating our company and the benefits of our DSP technology to the industry and to major OEMs.''

Before joining DSP Group, Barnes spent three years as manager of marketing communications for Intergraph Corp.'s Advanced Processor Division. Barnes also served as marketing communications manager for Pyramid Technology and Fairchild Corp., and as account manager for Paul Purdom Public Relations. Barnes holds bachelor of arts and master of arts degrees from Stanford University.

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BLUE BELL, PA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. Monday announced that its Commercial Systems Division has signed a three-year cooperative information

systems services agreement with Ford Motor Co.

According to the terms of the agreement, Unisys will establish a data center in the Detroit, Michigan area to provide remote data processing support to several Ford divisions. The contract is designed to reduce data processing costs by consolidating existing Unisys data center personnel and facilities resources.

It allows Ford to concentrate on the development of core information technology systems by contracting for tailored services at a fixed price.

Hal Fischer, president of Unisys Commercial Systems Division, said that Unisys will consolidate its systems operations presently supporting Ford Motor Co.'s Troy Center and the Technical Systems and Operations Data Center in Dearborn, Mich.

The Unisys processing at these data centers, which support Ford New Holland Inc., the Plastics and Trim Products Division, the Climate Control Division, and the Purchasing and Supply Staff Operations group, will be moved to a Unisys data center in southeast Michigan.

The contract calls for Unisys to provide comprehensive computer facilities management for Ford. Unisys will manage and operate its hardware and systems software and provide maintenance, operations, communications network support, systems integration, and subcontractor management for a 24-hour, 365-day-per-year facility.

Ford will continue to directly manage and control its applications systems maintenance.

Reto Braun, executive vice president of the Unisys United States Information Systems (USIS) sales and marketing, said that the Ford contract was an example of team selling by the Unisys Commercial Systems Division Line-of-Business and Unisys Systems Management Group (SMG).

SMG is the corporation's new commercial systems integration, professional services, and facilities management organization based in McLean, Va.

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MONTEREY PARK, CALIF BUSINESS WIRE - On Oct. 25, International Aluminum Corp.'s (NYSE/PSE:IAL) board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share, payable Jan. 10, 1991, to stockholders of record as of Dec. 20.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Monday announced its first TV advertising campaign for Hispanic Americans, touting the long-distance company's residential calling plans.

The advertisements, produced in Spanish by Mendoza Dillon, the leading Hispanic advertising agency in the United States, will emphasize Sprint's Spanish-speaking customer service personnel, the long-distance company's connection to the Spanish-speaking world, its clear fiber-optic sound quality and better overall savings.

''Sprint currently provides many telecommunications services to the Hispanic American population and our first Spanish-language TV campaign will help us emphasize those services,'' said Jorge Rodriguez, vice president of marketing and advertising for US Sprint.

''This campaign allows us to directly reach the Spanish-speaking audience to inform them about the advantages of Sprint's calling plans and services. It continues to position Sprint as an international telecommunications leader.''

In the ads, Sprint will offer free switching from the customer's previous long-distance carrier, plus 90 minutes of free long distance. At the end of the 30-second spots, a toll-free number, 1-800-877-2200, for Spanish-speaking customer service representatives will be displayed. The ads will appear on the Spanish-language cable-TV networks, Univision and Telemundo.

US Sprint also will sponsor Univision's No. 1 rated show, ''Sabado Gigante'' (Giant Saturday), featuring Don Francisco, the popular host of the prime-time show. In addition to the display of Sprint's logo during broadcast, Sprint's products and services will be promoted live by Francisco one time per show.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services over the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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REDMOND, WA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. Monday announced the immediate availability of Microsoft Word version 5.5 for DOS systems.

The new version features a visual user interface that provides easier access to all features and greater interface consistency and compatibility with other members of the Microsoft Word family.

The visual interface design of Microsoft Word version 5.5 is based on recent research which found that visual interfaces are easy to learn and use, provide better access to features, and give users expanded flexibility and power. Microsoft has taken many of the interface innovations from its graphical word processing products (Word for Windows, Word for OS/2, and Word for Apple Macintosh systems) and is making them available in the character-based DOS environment. For example, features such as pull-down menus, dialog boxes and other visual aids used for formatting all look and work similar to each other.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ: MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems, network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, hardware and CD-ROM products for the microcomputer marketplace.

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ANAHEIM, CALIF (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Datum Inc. (NASDAQ:DATM) Monday announced its sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $6,663,000 compared with sales of $9,462,000 for the corresponding quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales were $22,148,000, a decline of 18.5 percent when compared with the prior period's sales of $27,166,000.

On these lowered sales, the company incurred a loss of $500,000, or 20 cents per share, as compared with the prior year's net income of $440,000, or 16 cents per share. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Datum incurred a loss of $664,000, or 26 cents per share, as compared with the prior period's net income of $980,000, or 36 cents per share.

In a letter to the company's stockholders, Louis B. Horwitz, the president of Datum, commented:

''For Datum, 1990 is proving to be a very troublesome year.

''A major contributing factor is that the company has not booked enough new business to achieve revenues at the point to which we break even.

''A further profit drain has been the relocation of Spectrum Technology Inc. to a newer facility. Both the cost of the move and the disruption to their production schedules were greater than had been anticipated, in spite of careful planning to minimize the effect. This is, however, a one-time set of costs which is now behind us.''

Datum designs and manufactures precision frequency products and timing instrumentation for military, industrial, space and commercial applications. Timing manufacturing operations are located in Anaheim. Frequency products are produced in Beverly, Mass. and Santa Barbara. Austron maintains its headquarters and manufacturing facilities in Austin, Texas.

Datum's corporate offices are located at 1363 S. State College Blvd. in Anaheim.

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NASHUA, N.H. (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Ferrofluidics Corp. (OTC-FERO) Monday announced sales of $7,766,000 for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $3,870,00 for the first quarter last year.

Income from continuing operations was $1,032,000 vs. $272,000 for the comparable period of the preceding year. Net income for the quarter was $915,000 or 34 cents per share, vs. $10,000 or 0 cents per share for the same period of the previous year.

First quarter bookings were $7,947,000 compared to $4,624,000 from continuing operations for the comparable period last year. Backlog as of Sept. 30, 1990 was $7,345,000 vs. $6,981,000 at the end of the first quarter last year.

Commenting on the first quarter results, Dr. Ronald Moskowitz, chief executive officer, said. ''The first quarter results reflect the positive impact of our recent restructuring program, under which we significantly reduced operating costs in each of our business sectors.''

Moskowitz also stated, ''Revenue in the first quarter increased 100 percent compared to the same period last year including $3,114,000 in revenue contribution from our German subsidiary, Advanced Products & Technologies, GmbH. In addition, each our business sectors recorded increased shipments for

the quarter.''

Ferrofluidics Corp. is the pioneer and world leader in ferrofluid (magnetic fluid) technology. The company manufactures proprietary products for high growth market applications including rotary seals for semiconductor manufacturing and a variety of controlled evironment processes; exclusion seals for computer memory disk drives; ferrofluid film bearing spindles for high performance rotational applications; fully automated crystal growing furnaces; and ferrofluids for audio loudspeakers.

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TACOMA, WA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Weyerhaeuser Co. has announced it will open a recycling center in Denver by the end of this year.

It will be the 18th in the company's rapidly expanding nationwide network of recycling facilities.

The company said the move into Denver is part of a plan to increase the growth rate of its recycling business. Weyerhaeuser is already one of America's largest recycling companies, handling more than 1.2 million tons of wastepaper this year. Weyerhaeuser pioneered office waste recycling with its ''We-cycle Office Wastepaper'' or ''W.O.W.'' program which began in the mid-1970s.

Jay Phillips, Weyerhaeuser's vice president for recycling said: ''The Denver facility will handle a wide variety of wastepaper as well as other recycled materials. It will be an important source of old newspapers for our new newsprint de-inking facility at Longview, Wash.'' De-inking is scheduled to begin at Longview in April 1991.

In October, Weyerhaeuser announced plans to supply Longview through another new recycling center in Portland, Ore., which will be the largest in the United States, devoted entirely to handling wastepaper. The Portland facility will open early next year.

The Denver site will occupy 75,000 square feet in a refurbished building near downtown, making it one of Weyerhaeuser's three largest recycling centers. It will employ 40 people.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Computer Systems Monday announced that during the week, it will reduce the combined ASK and Ingres worldwide workforce by approximately 270 positions, or by about 12 percent.

The reduction primarily affects redundant positions resulting from ASK's acquisition of Ingres. ASK took control of Ingres on Oct. 22, following the close of its tender offer for all Ingres shares.

ASK Computer Systems is a leading provider of management information systems, relational databases and application development tools. With combined ASK and Ingres revenues approaching $400 million, ASK is one of the 10 largest software providers worldwide.

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SAN BRUNO, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - National Insurance Group (NASDAQ/NMS:NAIG), a leading provider of computer delivered forced order insurance and flood hazard area identification, Monday announced that revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $4,737,000, an increase of 32 percent from revenues of $3,572,000 for the like quarter of the previous year.

Net income for the quarter decreased 8 percent to $420,000, or 10 cents per share from $456,000, or 11 cents per share for the like quarter of 1989. The weighted average shares for the third quarter increased to 4,281,712 compared with 4,272,847 for the previous year.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $13,816,000, an increase of 12 percent from revenues of $12,291,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for the nine-month period decreased 50 percent to $1,156,000, or 27 cents per share from $2,312,000, or 54 cents per share for the like period in 1989.

The weighted average shares for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, decreased to 4,273,465 from 4,273,584 for the previous period in 1989.

During the third quarter, revenues from the company's computerized flood hazard area identification system increased to $304,000 from $40,000 in the third quarter of the previous year. The $304,000 was a 58 percent increase over the $192,000 in revenues in the second quarter of 1990.

The company's board of directors has declared its quarterly dividend of 5 cents per share of common stock outstanding which will be payable to the holders of record on Nov. 7, 1990. Such dividend will be paid on Nov. 21,

1990.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Monday announced their next-generation SPARCstation and SPARCserver products based on Cypress Semiconductor's 40 MHz CY7C601 32-bit SPARC microprocessor and the CY7C157 16K x 16 Cache Storage Unit (CSU).

The Cypress CPU and CSUs will be integrated into Sun's SPARCstation 2 and SPARCserver 2 offerings, positioning them as the highest performance products available in their class.

In addition, Sun has made field upgrades to the new systems available to their existing SPARC customers to enable them to take advantage of the higher speeds offered by the faster CY7C601 Cypress chip.

The SPARCstation 2 and SPARCserver 2 mark Sun's commitment to improve and expand upon their SPARCstation 1 and SPARCserver 1 product lines, the industry's most successful RISC workstations and servers. These products, based on the SPARC architecture, deliver performance of 21 SPECmarks, 28.5 MIPS, and 4.2 MFLOPS (double-precision Linpack).

In addition, the SPARCserver 2 machines provide exceptional I/O performance with very high database transaction throughput of 51 transactions per second.

Cypress, through its ROSS Technology subsidiary, provides a complete SPARC RISC chipset, including the CY7C601 Integer Unit, the CY7C604 Cache Controller & Memory Mangement Unit, the CY7C157 Cache Storage Unit, and the CY7C602 Floating Point Unit.

Cypress Semiconductor Corp. is a leader in the design, development and manufacture of a broad line of high-performance digital integrated circuits, fabricated using its proprietary 0.8 micron CMOS technologies.

Cypress offers a range of products, including RISC microprocessors and peripherals (from its ROSS Technology subsidiary), CMOS PLDs (programmable logic devices), static RAMs (random-access memories), PROMs (programmable read-only memories), logic devices, high-speed BiCMOS and bipolar ECL (emitter-coupled logic) devices, and high-speed multichip modules.

ROSS Technology Inc., is a subsidiary of Cypress Semiconductor Corp. ROSS is a leader in the design, development and manufacture of high-performance SPARC RISC microprocessor products.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Monday unveiled the fastest workstation the company has ever developed: the SPARCstation 2.

This new system makes up the high end of Sun's best-selling desktop product line, which already includes the entry-level SPARCstation SLC and low-cost color SPARCstation IPC. When combined with Sun's broad selection of servers, wealth of third-party software and ease-of-use features, these systems offer a complete solution for ''workgroup'' computing.

This solution increases and organization's productivity by using computers -- Sun workstations and servers -- to network people, or groups of people.

Racing along at 21 SPECmarks and utilizing Sun's rich UNIX operating environment, the SPARCstation 2 is geared for the most demanding applications. It is available in a variety of models, ranging from a powerful, full-featured base system to a pair of high-performance 3-D graphics workstations and a new, low-cost server version.

Another advantage of Sun's SPARC line is SPARCware: 2,100 products that include the industry's largest selection of RISC software. SPARCstation 2: Power In A Pizza Box

The SPARCstation 2 line was designed for prudent spenders who still demand very high performance and versatility. All systems in the line achieve 21 SPECmarks, or 28.5 MIPS (million instructions per second) and 4.2 MFLOPS (million floating point operations per second).

The entire processor board fits into a space no larger than a sheet of paper (8.5 by 11 inches). All configurations come standard with 16 megabytes of memory, double the built-in memory on most high-end workstations.

In the base monochrome configuration, the SPARCstation 2 has ample display space in its large 19-inch monitor and the kind of processing power needed for very complex tasks. Thus users can simulate software designs, perform schematic circuit design capture, manage large databases or use the system in research labs.

With its power and low price, this system -- combined with high-performance Sun servers -- is a thrifty replacement for terminals and costly mainframes or minicomputers. An entry-level monochrome SPARCstation 2, including both

floppy and hard disk drives, is priced at $14,995 (U.S. list).

Sun Microsystems Inc., with headquarters in Mountain View, is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Teradata Corp. (NASDAQ:TDAT) Monday announced the availability of the Optical Call Level Interface (OCLI).

With OCLI, Teradata extends the capability of its relational Data Base Computer (DBC/1012) through optical storage technology.

Relational databases can now be stored on Teradata's Optical Storage Processor (OSP) and accessed via the industry standard Structured Query Language (SQL).

A typical use for OCLI would be applications that need to access vast amounts of data that has decreasing utilization over time. Because of the decrease in utilization, this data cannot be cost-effectively kept on expensive magnetic media so, as it ages, it is migrated to magnetic tape or microfiche.

Once migrated, data access is much more difficult and time consuming, and therefore the data falls into obscurity despite the fact that it may still retain significant value. Users can extend the life and value of this data by migrating it to the OSP and accessing it via SQL.

This unique integration of the database computer with optical storage allows DBC/1012 relational capabilities to be applied to the very large amounts of data capable of being stored on an optical device. The OSP provides a storage capacity of hundreds of billions of bytes of data at a lower cost than magnetic storage.

OCLI permits user applications to migrate data to and access data from relational databases on both the OSP and DBC/1012 and access is totally transparent to the user.

OCLI is priced at $50,000 (U.S.) and available immediately. For more information, contact your local Teradata sales representative, or Ben Barnes at 213/524-5000.

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FORT WORTH, TX (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - URCARCO INC. (NASDAQ: CARS) Monday announced that sales for the month of October 1990 were $16.9 million, as compared to $9.9 million for October 1989.

This represents a 71 percent increase over sales a year ago.

URCARCO INC. operates a chain of used car retail lots in Fort Worth, Dallas, Austin, Houston, and San Antonio, Texas, selling quality used passenger cars and light trucks and typically financing customer purchases.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. Monday announced it has entered into an exclusive agreement with Palindrome Corp. of Naperville, Ill., to jointly develop LAN Manager-based data network backup products based on Palindrome's System Storage Management Technology.

The new products will be marketed to network administrators and MIS departments, who need to simplify the complex tasks associated with network data restoration, archiving and storage management.

''As data networks grow in complexity and strategic importance, protecting mission-critical data is becoming both more difficult and more important,'' said Alan Kessler, vice president of 3Com's distributed systems business. ''3Com is the only vendor of server-based backup systems integrated with LAN Manager. In joining forces with Palindrome, 3Com will expand its data storage product offering to include products that ensure network-wide data protection and security while simplifying the data management process.''

Ron Birchall, president of Palindrome, said: ''Until now, network data backup technology has lagged behind network communications technology, yet data storage and maintenance are critical areas for network administrators. Working with 3Com provides Palindrome with an excellent opportunity to bring our expert system and data archiving experience to the LAN Manager server market, providing network administrators with a truly valuable tool.''

3Com Corp. is a leading independent global data networking company, providing multivendor connectivity that spans organizations and businesses worldwide. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports a wide range of

networking systems based on industry standards and open systems architecture.

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MILPITAS, CALIF. (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Quantum Corp. (NASDAQ:QNTM), a leading supplier of high-performance hard disk drives for the computer industry, announced Monday the addition of five prominent regional distributors to its North American sales network.

Wyle Laboratories, Pioneer Standard, Pioneer Technology, Bell Microproducts and Computer Brokers of Canada will join forces with Quantum's existing distributors in supplying Quantum's broad line of high-performance, high-quality, small-form factor hard disk drives to the markets served by distribution channels.

Under the new agreements, Wyle Laboratories will distribute Quantum products throughout the Western United States, Pioneer Standard within the Midwest and Northeast, Pioneer Technology in the Southeast, and Bell Microproducts in California.

Computer Brokers of Canada, the largest computer products distributor in Canada, will distribute Quantum's products in Canada.

These new agreements permit the five new distributors to sell Quantum's entire product line: the ProDrive Series of 3-1/2-inch, 42-426 megabyte drives; the 1-inch high, ProDrive LPS products; the recently announced ProDrive Gem Series quarter-height, low-power drives for portable and low-end personal computers; and the Go-Drive Series of 42 and 84 megabyte 2-1/2-inch drives designed for use in laptop and notebook systems.

According to Steve Berkley, chairman and chief executive officer of Quantum, this expansion of Quantum's distribution network follows several major product and OEM customer announcements made by the company over the past few months and is part of the company's strategic plan to increase sales and broaden its customer base.

Since its founding in 1980, Quantum has emerged as a leading independent manufacturer of reliable, high-performance, mass storage systems for business, engineering, and scientific computing. The publicly held company offers products designed for desktop workstation and personal computer applications. Quantum markets its drives to OEMs and distributors worldwide.

Plus Development Corp., a Quantum subsidiary established in 1983, designs and markets personal computer storage enhancement products for end users through

2,500 dealers worldwide.

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CARROLLTON, TX (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Westcott Communications Inc., (NASDAQ:WCTV) operator of the Law Enforcement Television Network (LETN) and the Automotive Satellite Television Network (ASTN), Monday reported net income of $550,000, or 7 cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, as compared to a net loss of $571,000, or 8 cents per share, for the like quarter of 1989.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $5,670,000, as compared to $4,018,000 for the like quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, Westcott Communications had net income of $1,023,000, or 13 cents per share, on revenues of $16,376,000, as compared to net loss of $447,000, or 7 cents per share, on revenues of $11,341,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

As of Sept. 30, there were approximately 4,400 and 1,900 revenue sites for ASTN and LETN, respectively.

The company attributes the higher third quarter earnings as compared to third quarter 1989 to the increased number of revenue producing LETN subscribers. LETN was formed in December 1988, on July 3, 1989 began transmission on its regular 24-hour per weekday schedule.

As of Sept. 30, approximately 2,050 law enforcement agencies were subscribers to LETN. Subscription fees, which range from $288 to $588 per month, depending on the size of the agency, commence from the date subscribers begin receiving the programming.

The company announced the launch of the Professional Security Television Network (PSTN) on Sept. 6. Broadcasting of PSTN programming is planned to begin in the first quarter of 1991.

As of Sept. 30, approximately 4,700 dealerships were subscribers to ASTN.

WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC.
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended Sept. 30		Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$5,670,000	$4,018,000	$16,376,000	$11,341,000
Net income (loss)	550,000	(571,000)	1,023,000	(447,000)

Earnings (loss) per share	.07	(.08)	.13	(.07)

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Mercury General Corp., a major California automobile insurer, reported Monday that net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $32.6 million, or $2.42 per share, compared with $11.6 million, or 86 cents per share, reported a year ago.

Year-to-date results include a provision for potential rate refunds under Proposition 103, the California insurance initiative enacted in November 1988, of $7.4 million before taxes.

This includes $565,000 of interest recorded in the third quarter. The Proposition 103 provision reduced earnings for the full nine months by 36 cents per share after taxes. The after-tax earnings impact of the Proposition 103 provisions in the first nine months of 1989 was $1.42 per share. Per-share results in both periods are based on 13.5 million outstanding shares.

Net income in the third quarter was $12.4 million, or 92 cents per share. In the 1989 third quarter, earnings of 14 cents per share were reported after a $17.7 million provision for potential rate refunds which reduced earnings for that period by 86 cents per share.

The company's reserve for potential Proposition 103 rate refunds totaled $22.4 million at Sept. 30, 1990. Except for accrual of interest of $565,000 in the third quarter, equal to 3 cents per share after taxes, the reserve was unchanged from the level recorded at June 30, 1990.

Proposition 103 substantially revised the California insurance code and mandated a 20 percent rate rollback for policies issued or renewed during the period Nov. 9, 1988, to Nov. 8, 1989. The Proposition was upheld in part by the California Supreme Court in May 1989. The court held that premium refunds could not be imposed if they produced less than a ''fair return'' to the insurance company.

As reported earlier, the June 1990 decision of the California Insurance Commissioner culminated some six months of ''generic'' hearings addressing the ''fair return'' issue as it applies both to prior approval and the rate rollback period.

Regulations have been issued implementing that decision, and the company has responded to the Insurance Department's request for detailed financial information for the rollback period. The company has not received any rate

refund order but such orders have been issued to two other California insurers and hearings on those orders are underway.

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REDWOOD SHORES, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Oracle Corporation today announced that its suite of Computer-Aided Software Engineering (CASE) tools are now available on the OS/2, MS-DOS and VAX/VMS operating systems as well as a variety of UNIX computers ranging from workstations to mainframes.

With this announcement, Oracle's CASE tools bring advanced software development capabilities to the industry's most popular development environments.

''Oracle is the only vendor with a multi-user, portable, integrated and distributed CASE offering,'' said Richard Barker, Oracle's senior vice president of CASE. ''The breadth of platforms supported in this introduction is representative of the strength of Oracle's commitment to this market.''

Oracle CASE tools address the entire life cycle of a development project from strategic analysis through production. The Oracle CASE tools are:

-- CASE Dictionary -- a shared repository of enterprise and application information.

-- CASE Designer -- a graphical workbench linked directly to the dictionary for modeling and cross checking systems analysis and design.

-- CASE Generator for SQL Forms -- an automatic application generator driven directly from the dictionary.

-- CASE Method -- a set of practical, rigorous techniques that guide developers through a system's entire life cycle.

Oracle CASE tools assist the activities of every member of a development team, including analysts, designers, programmers, and data administrators, and support a variety of software development methods. Development activity can occur in a variety of client-server configurations, and applications developed by Oracle CASE can run without change on over 80 hardware platforms.

Unlike other CASE products, Oracle's CASE tools allow teams of users to jointly develop applications in a real-time environment. The ability to instantaneously access and update systems-related information in the underlying repository (CASE Dictionary) provides consistency and integrity of

that information.

Oracle Corporation, headquartered in Redwood Shores, is the largest supplier of RDBMS software and the third largest software and services company in the world.

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TORONTO (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Lawson Mardon Group Ltd. (ASE:LMG)(LSE:LMG) Monday announced that earnings for the third quarter increased by 66.0 percent to $8.3 million, or 28 cents per share, from $5.0 million, or 17 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

The 1989 results included a $1.6 million (6 cents per share) one time charge for the reorganization of North American operations. There were no significant one-time charges in the first three quarters of 1990.

Sales in the third quarter increased by 17.0 percent to $293.5 million from $250.8 million in the third quarter of 1989. Of this percentage increase, 3.4 percent was as a result of acquisitions and 8.5 percent resulted from increases in the average rate of exhange in the countries in which the company operates.

The residual $10 million increase pertains to ongoing operations which were owned during both periods.

Two divisions, Packaging, North America, and Graphics, North America, recorded lower sales.

Packaging, North America's third quarter sales of $35.2 million were slightly lower than in the like period of 1989 largely because of production interruptions brought about by equipment moves.

During the quarter, Graphics, North America, acquired the label producing assets of U.S.-based H.S. Crocker Co. Inc., and now is comprised of five label facilities, two commercial printing and four trade finishing operations.

While sales and operating earnings of the label operations increased during the third quarter, over capacity and weakened demand in both the commercial

printing and trade finishing operations reduced overall sales for the division.

Tapp said sales for the nine months increased to $815.5 million from $756.0 million in the like period of 1989. Earnings from operations for the nine months were $58.2 million compared with $54.5 million for the like period of 1989.

Earnings per share increased by 25.4 percent for the nine months to 79 cents from 63 cents in 1989.

The Lawson Mardon Group produces flexible, rigid plastic, metal and folding carton packaging, and is engaged in commercial printing, label making and print trade finishing, with operations in Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Germany and France.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Hyundai Electronics is entering 1991 with a new corporate identity that symbolizes the company's stature as a major global manufacturer and supplier of electronics products and personal computers, according to Y. H. Kim, president and chief executive officer of Hyundai Electronics America.

The new logo, which incorporates three spheres with the Hyundai name, represents Hyundai's strength and commitment in the worldwide electronics industry. Hyundai's growth and influence are reflected in the many corporations around the world that are seeking Hyundai as an electronics business partner.

Hyundai Electronics Industries (HEI), based in Seoul, Korea, will use the new look for all of its entities, which include Industrial Electronics, Telecommunications, Components, Information Systems and Semiconductor.

The Information Systems, Semiconductor, and Assembly/Test divisions of Hyundai Electronics America, based in San Jose, will be phasing in the new corporate identity over the next few months.

HEI belongs to the $32 billion Hyundai Group, the largest industrial group of companies in Korea and among the top Fortune 30-size companies internationally.

HEI is one of the largest manufacturers of personal computers and various memory chips in Korea, and a major provider of Hyundai-brand personal computers and memory chips in the United States, with a wide range of product known for quality, reliability, and value.

Hyundai was recently ranked number one in total satisfaction among major PC manufacturers in a survey of independent dealers and franchisees conducted by the market research firm, StoreBoard. Hyundai is located at 166 Baypointe Parkway, San Jose, CA 95134; phone (408) 473-9200.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - INVG Mortgage Securities Corp. (NASDAQ: INVG), a holding company of issuers of collaterized mortgage obligations, reported that the board of directors declared a distribution of 20 cents per share payable on Nov. 29, to shareholders of record on Nov. 15.

This dividend represents a decrease from last quarter's dividend as a result of the board of directors' decision to maintain a healthy cash reserve following the recent successful repurchase for $1,158,375 of one-half of the company's outstanding Series A Preferred Stock with an approximate redemption value of $4,045,200.

As previously reported, because of the effect of the company's net operating loss carryforwards, this distribution will be treated as a return of capital to the shareholders.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Sym-Tek Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:SYMK) has been signed by Texas Instruments (NYSE:TXN) as the authorized distributor of die bonders, cure systems, wire bonders and linked assembly modules.

Under this agreement, Sym-Tek will serve as distributor for these systems, developed by TI's Process Automation Center (PAC) in Dallas, which has provided much of the manufacturing technology used in TI's manufacturing sites for over 25 years.

In addition to meeting TI's internal requirements, PAC has recently begun to market selected manufacturing equipment outside TI to support TI's customers.

Under the terms of the agreement, Sym-Tek will concentrate on sales, service and applications support for TI's ABACUS die bonders, cure systems, ABACUS wire bonders and an assembly module that links these three systems. Driven by a Manufacturing Area Controller (MAC), this linked module contains a die bonder, quick-cure oven and one or more dual-headed wire bonders.

This combination significantly reduces space and labor requirements while generating productivity and quality levels that exceed what the components can achieve independently.

The die bonder system performs high-speed, fully automatic bonding of dies to leadframes used in plastic integrated circuit packages. Its flexible transport system allows the system to quickly accommodate PDIP, PLCC, SIP, SO, SOJ, QFP and ZIP packages through operator commands entered at the control keyboard.

The quick-cure oven contains programmable heating zones above and below the die-bonded leadframe. Four heaters above the leadframe provide heated, clean air, which flows over the bonded dies while the four heaters below provide the actual cure temperature.

The fully automated, dual-headed, gold wire bonder is capable of bonding at virtually twice the speed of leading single-head systems. Using TI's advanced vision technology, leads are located dynamically from device to device, enabling the machine to accommodate a broad range of leadframes through the keyboard-adjustable transport system.

Texas Instruments Inc., with headquarters in Dallas, is a high-technology company with sales and operations in more than 30 countries. TI develops, manufactures and markets semiconductors, defense electronic systems, software productivity tools, computer systems, industrial automation and control systems, electrical controls, metallurgical materials and consumer electronic products.

Sym-Tek Systems Inc., with headquarters in San Diego, develops, manufactures and sells automated electromechanical handlers that heat or cool integrated circuits to precise temperatures, place them into position for testing and sort them based on test results.

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VANCOUVER, B.C. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Wayne K. Hansen, president of Stelway Food Services Inc. (V.S.E.:SWF.) wishes to announce that Stelway has entered into a Letter of Intent to consider the merger of the company with European Middle Industry Venture Capital Inc. (EMI), a U.S. public corporation.

The resulting entity would then change its name to Confucius Inc. Upon completion of the merger the present executive officers and directors of Stelway would become the executive officers and directors of Confucius Inc. While details have not yet been settled pending receipt of final legal and tax advice, it is anticipated that EMI will make a registered offer of its shares on a one for one basis to all Stelway shareholders.

In addition, one warrant for each five shares of Stelway would be issued to purchase an additional share of EMI common stock. Warrants would be exercisable for three years at an exercise price of $3 U.S. per share. The merger agreement will be subject to approval by the boards of directors for the respective corporations, and their shareholders if necessary, and of the applicable regulatory authorities.

The proposed merger, if it proceeds, will not result in a reverse take-over of Stelway.

The Vancouver Stock Exchange has not reviewed and does not accept responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of this release.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Businessland Inc. (NYSE:BLI) Monday reported financial results for the first quarter of its 1991 fiscal year which ended Spet. 30, 1990.

In the first quarter of fiscal 1991, the company reported revenues of $308,898,000, down 2.2 percent from the first quarter of fiscal 1990. The company posted a net loss for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 of $19,886,000, inclusive of a restructuring charge of $4.5 million resulting in a net loss per share of 67 cents.

This compares with revenue of $315,857,000 and net income of $4,263,000, or 14 cents earnings per share, for the period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The first quarter loss reflected losses in both domestic and foreign operations, due to disappointing sales and lower margins on some products. Additionally, the company provided a restructuring charge of approximately

$4.5 million for severance pay for staff reductions, as well as the closing of addtional facilities.

''We've made the hard decisions and are making progress toward major reductions in our operating expense and increasing productivity in all areas of our business,'' said David A. Norman, chairman, president and chief executive officer.

''The four-point plan we announced last month is beginning to have an impact '' Norman continued. ''Our target for worldwide staff reductions was 10 percent and we have increased this target to 20 percent. By Nov. 1st, we had exceeded our goal of reducing inventories by $50 million, achieving reductions of $67 million worldwide.

Founded in 1982, Businessland Inc. is an international leader in the distribution, integration and support of microcomputer and workstation systems for business. The company integrates microcomputer products from selected manufacturers to create systems tailored to specific customer needs and provides the high-level service and support to maximize their productivity.

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AKRON, OH (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - General Tire announced Monday its intention to restructure the company's replacement sales distribution system.

This action will better allow General Tire to focus on its core manufacturing business and distribution system through its strong independent dealer network.

This restructuring may involve the sale of some or all of its 90 company-operated Retail Stores, located throughout the U.S. and Puerto Rico, to existing or new dealers.

''This action,'' according to Tom Reese, executive vice president of sales and marketing, ''positions General Tire to place a greater focus on its dealer network which is the backbone of the General Tire brand replacement business. We want to confirm the sum and substance of our business -- a world-class manufacturer and supplier of quality tire products, serving both the original equipment and replacement markets.''

While the details behind this decision have not yet been finalized, General Tire clearly intends to maintain a strong ongoing presence at all locations involved in the restructuring. General Tire believes this realignment will build on an already successful business relationship with dealers as well as improve the efficiency in which General Tire distributes its products.

General Tire is the largest unit of Continental AG of West Germany, the fourth largest tire manufacturer in the world.

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TORONTO (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Four Seasons Hotels Inc. (TSE,ME:FSH.) announced Monday that net earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 19.2 percent to $4 million, from $3.4 million for the same period in 1989.

This improvement is attributed to the deconsolidation of the Santa Barbara hotel and solid operating results from our management activities.

In particular, a strong quarter at the Four Seasons Hotel, Chicago, which opened March 1989; additional fee revenues from the Four Seasons Resort, Wailea, Maui, which opened March 20, 1990; and the fees generated from our hotels and resorts under development helped increase management earnings.

On a normalized basis, earnings for the first nine months of 1990 increased in line with our long-term 10 to 15 percent growth target over the first nine months of 1989, after removing the effect of the sale of the Four Seasons Hotel, Ottawa which occurred March 7, 1990 and the effect of the deconsolidation of the Four Seasons Biltmore Hotel, which took place in the second quarter of 1990.

Including the effect of these two items, net earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 37.3 percent to $12.7 million, from $9.2 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Revenues under management for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $164.8 million, an increase of 4.3 percent over the same period in 1989. For the first three quarters, revenues under management increased 5.3 percent to $486.9 million, from $462.3 million for the first three quarters of 1989.

Four Seasons Hotels is the world's largest operator of hotels and resorts exclusively in the luxury class, and currently owns and/or operates 23 properties in Canada, the U.S. and England, and has 10 hotels and resorts under development.

Four Seasons resorts under development are located in Kona, Hawaii; Nevis, West Indies; Carlsbad, California; Scottsdale, Arizona; Costa Isabela, Puerto Rico; and Ko Olina, Oahu, Hawaii.

International urban hotels under development are located in Mexico City, Tokyo Paris and Singapore.

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SANTA ANA, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - California Commercial Bankshares Monday announced that it issued to its shareholders a total of 309,861 transferable rights to subscribe for shares of the company's common stock, on the basis of one right for each six shares of common stock held of record as of Oct. 22.

Each right entitles the holder thereof to purchase one share of common stock at the price of $13 per share. The rights will expire if not exercised prior to 5 p.m. Pacific time on Nov. 30, unless extended for up to 30 days in the company's discretion.

California Commercial Bankshares intends to contribute the net proceeds of the offering to its banking subsidiary, National Bank of Southern California to use in the ongoing operations of its banking business. National Bank of Southern California maintains offices in Santa Ana, El Toro and Orange.

A written prospectus can be obtained from: William H. Jacoby, California Commercial Bankshares, 3951 S. Plaza Drive, P.O. Box 26170, Santa Ana, Calif. 92799-6170; 714/641-8500.

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HAYWARD, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Kenneth E. Anderson, president of Monitek Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:MTEK), Monday announced operating results for the second quarter and first half of fiscal 1991.

Net income for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $7,718, compared with $33,897, reported in the like period a year ago. Net sales for the quarter were $2,065,158, compared with $2,137,860, in fiscal 1990.

First half net income was $12,129, compared with $35,851, last year. Net sales for the period were $3,900,108, compared with $3,986,348, in the same period last year.

In reviewing operations, Anderson indicated that the company's sales and earnings were somewhat impacted during the first half of fiscal 1991 as a

result of a downturn in domestic and export orders which was partially offset by increased sales to Continental Europe and price increases which averaged approximately 4 percent for all product lines.

During the first half of fiscal 1991 domestic sales declined by 11 percent, compared to fiscal 1990, whereas sales made by Monitek GmbH to Continental Europe increased by 24 percent. Even though there was a decline in bookings, the inquiry and quotation levels are significantly higher than normal, which is expected to result in higher bookings in the second half, as new products gain more acceptance, he said.

Monitek Technologies is a rapidly growing, technologically advanced instrument manufacturer at the forefront of the liquid monitoring industry. Utilizing optical, magnetic, ultrasonic and acoustical technologies, the company can analyze and measure liquids used in industrial and waste water environment.

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PLYMOUTH, MA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Plymouth Five Cents Savings Bank (NASDAQ:THFI) Monday reported a net loss of $8,798,000, or $3.83 per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to net income of $206,000, or 9 cents per share, for the same quarter last year.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the bank reported a net loss of $14,249,000, or $6.20 per share, as compared to net income of $349,000, or 15 cents per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The loss for the quarter and the nine month period was primarily attributable to an increased provision for possible loan losses.

The bank added $7,525,000 to its provision for possible loan losses during the third quarter of 1990, as compared to $657,000 for the same period in 1989. For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the provision for possible loan losses was $12,985,000 as compared to $771,000 for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

During the third quarter the bank charged off $10.5 million in loans and wrote down the value of its real estate acquired through foreclosure and other real estate owned by $884,000. Total non-performing assets were $21.4 million at Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to $19.7 million at June 30, 1990. The bank's allowance for loan losses at Sept. 30, 1990, was $4,711,000 which represents 1.9 percent of its total loan portfolio and 35.2 percent of its non-accrual

loans at that time.

Elliot Chassey, president, chief executive officer and chairman of the board, said, ''third quarter financial results reflect economic conditions in the bank's market and the continued deterioration of real estate values.'' Chassey further noted that management's decision to charge off additional loans and increase the provision for possible loan losses beyond levels previously anticipated was in response to preliminary results of a recently completed FDIC examination.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $307,933,000 and deposits were $223,032,000. Total stockholders equity equaled $14,378,000, or 4.7 percent of assets. The bank's capital ratio for FDIC purposes was 5.83 percent. Book value per share was $6.25.

The Plymouth Five Cents Savings Bank is a Massachusetts chartered savings bank organized in 1855 which conducts business from offices in Plymouth, Manomet, West Plymouth, Kingston, Duxbury, Marshfield, Middleboro and Bridgewater. Deposits are insured in full by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and the Mutual Savings Central Fund Inc.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Imatron (NASDAQ:IMAT) announced Monday that it has extended the expiration date of its publicly traded 1990 warrants for 90 days to Feb. 10, 1991.

The 1990 warrants are exercisable at a price of 75 cents per share. The warrants were scheduled to expire on Nov. 12.

Imatron Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets CT products for medical diagnostic imaging and industrial applications. Imatron products include the electron-beam Ultrafast CT scanner, which captures high speed images of the heart as well as radiological chest and body scans free of motion-induced artifacts.

The company also produces compact CT products that provide high throughput and continuous scanning capability in medical imaging.

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ALBANY, N.Y. (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Home & City Savings Bank announced Monday that its board of directors had authorized the bank's legal and financial advisors to enter into discussions with representatives of Rose Associates I, L.P. for the purpose of determining whether certain concerns of the bank relating to the feasibility of Rose Associates' recently announced acquisition proposal could be alleviated.

The bank also said that it would explore with Rose a mutually agreeable procedure for determining whether any other Home & City shareholder would be willing to join Rose's acquisition group.

As previously disclosed, Rose's proposal contemplates that the holders of 40 percent of Home & City's common stock, including Rose, would become shareholders in the entity which is proposed to be organized to purchase the bank rather than receiving $24 in cash and a $4 principal amount of unsecured subordinated debentures for each share of Home & City stock.

John J. Brunner, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Home & City, stated: ''Before the board of directors can adequately consider the merits of Rose Associates' offer, it must determine whether the proposal is viable. Therefore, the board has concluded that the commencement of a dialogue with the Rose group is appropriate.''

Home & City also announced that Rose Associates informed the bank that the $4 in principal amount of unsecured subordinated debentures which Rose proposes to pay per share would have an interest rate of 9 percent, which is more than 3 percent below the interest rate which Rose has proposed to pay on the senior secured debt to be borrowed from the senior lender.

Accordingly, the unsecured subordinated debentures are expected to have a value far below face value.

In a related development, Home & City announced that Rose Associates has submitted a resolution to amend the Bank's By-laws to increase the size of its Board of Directors to 17 members. In response to this development, Brunner stated: ''Since receipt of the Rose offer, the bank has cooperated with Rose Associates in an effort to assess their offer's merits, including its feasibility.

''Rose's latest actions lead us to question whether Rose is sincere in its stated desire to complete the proposed acquisition. Nevertheless, the bank intends to continue its efforts to resolve its concerns regarding the Rose offer.''

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LAS VEGAS, NEV (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - A new VAR program that gives value added resellers exclusive rights to selling the popular InBox Plus E-mail product was introduced by Sitka Corp. Monday.

Aimed at Novell Platinum VARs, 3COM and Sun Microsystems VARs and other high volume local area network integrators, the program is an opportunity for VARs interested in broadening the scope of the integration services they provide, and increasing revenues generated from training and support.

''E-Mail is the next big area of revenue potential for the LAN resellers who focus on providing integration services,'' said Ed McGinnis, Sitka's director of corporate sales. ''We want to partner with these VARs, and work together selling E-mail into large accounts where the network is already installed.''

InBox Plus is a complete electronic mail solution for networks of any size. It provides consistent and full-featured mail services to users on both Macintosh and DOS personal computers, and operates on most popular networks including LocalTalk, AppleShare, TOPS, NetWare, 3+ and LAN Manager.

InBox Plus is the only E-Mail system capable of supporting fully functional message centers on both DOS-based and Macintosh computers. This capability allows users to seamlessly exchange messages across networks made up of many different kinds of computers.

Qualified VARs are required to maintain a minimum of one InBox Plus E-mail system at their facility for demonstration purposes. And, resellers must obtain certification through Sitka's ''Train the Trainer'' course.

Sitka Corp. (formerly TOPS) is a leading supplier of networking software for IBM personal computers and compatibles, Apple Macintosh computers and Sun Workstations. Sitka's networking and electronic mail software provides the best solution for business needing to connect disparate platforms and environments.

With more than 750,000 users worldwide, the Sitka Corp. has the world's second largest installed base of LAN software.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC) Monday announced that three of its directors had recently resigned reducing the company's board of directors to 12 members.

Robert B. O'Brien Jr. and Richard A. Voell resigned on Oct. 31, 1990 and Lester B. Korn resigned in September of this year. Consistent with the company's restructuring and downsizing, it will not seek replacements to the board.

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CAMARILLO, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Vitesse Semiconductor Corp. Monday announced the availability of the FX Series of VLSI high-performance gallium arsenide gate arrays.

With the first products in the FX Series offering over 100,000 usable gates on a single chip, Vitesse now provides the same level of integration as biCMOS gate arrays while still offering the high speed of lower-integration bipolar ECL gate arrays.

The FX Series represents over a three-fold increase in integration compared with Vitesse's existing FURY Series gate array family. Aimed at the computer and communications markets, the FX arrays are ideally suited to high-performance processors and advanced switching network applications.

The FX Series consists of three arrays implemented in a channelless architecture. The first two devices, the VGFX100K and VGFX200K, are available for designs immediately and offer 102,000 and 195,000 raw gates, respectively. Designs for the VGFX350K, sized at 353,000 raw gates and the largest member of the FX Series, will be accepted in the second quarter of 1991.

Utilization for the FX Series ranges from 50 percent to 70 percent of the total available internal cells. The VGFX100K will support up to 196 signal I/O and comes in either a 211-pin ceramic PGA or a 256-pin ceramic LDCC. The VGFX200K offers up to 256 signal I/O and is available in a 344-pin ceramic LDCC.

The VGFX350K will support from 360 to over 400 signal I/O depending on the mix between input and output signals. All I/O on the FX arrays are configurable to ECL, TTL or native GaAs levels.

The FX Series is manufactured using Vitesse's proprietary 0.6-micron H-GaAs III process. An unbuffered 2-input NOR gate implemented in an FX array has a worst-case delay of 50 ps (unloaded) and consumes only 0.14 mW of power. The FX Series' speed-power product of 7 fJ is unmatched by either ECL (at approximately 50 fJ) or biCMOS (at approximately 25 fJ at 100 MHz).

Typical power dissipation assuming a 50 percent gate utilization is 8 watts

for the VGFX100K and 14 watts for the VGFX200K.

Embedded SRAM blocks of up to 100K bits and multiport register files can also be designed into the FX Series arrays. Typical RAM access times range from 3 ns to 3.5 ns depending on the RAM size and configuration.

The FX Series gate arrays are price/performance comparable with biCMOS arrays and lower in price than competitive ECL devices. Designs are supported on Mentor and Valid design platforms. Certified libraries for Verilog behavioral simulation and Synopsys logic synthesis tools are also available. Design inputs are being accepted now, and production volumes will ship the first quarter of 1991.

Vitesse Semiconductor Corp. is the world's leading supplier of digital GaAs integrated circuits. The company was founded in 1984 to develop, manufacture and market cost-effective VLSI GaAs ICs.

Using a proprietary GaAs process incorporating proven silicon manufacturing technology, Vitesse supplies a broad family of ASIC, standard logic and RAM products to the computer, telecommunications, equipment and defense electronics markets. The company has its headquarters in Camarillo, 40 miles north of Los Angeles.

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BOSTON (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Borland International (NASDAQ:BORL) Monday announced and started shipping the newest version of Turbo Pascal, its popular object-oriented programming language.

Since its introduction in 1983, Turbo Pascal has become the world standard, used by more than 2 million Pascal programmers worldwide.

''Turbo Pasal 6.0 offers computer programmers the latest in object-oriented technology, giving them the ability to create software applications faster than ever before,'' said Philippe Kahn, Borland's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Turbo Pascal 6.0 will be supported by third-party library and tool vendors as well as trade, professional and educational publishers. More than 25 new Pascal books will be published for users at all experience levels.

Among these is ''Turbo Pascal 6: The Complete Reference,'' part of the Borland Osborne/McGraw-Hill Programming Series.

The new features in Turbo Pascal 6.0 include:

Turbo Vision, which puts the ability to write professional-quality applications within the reach of every programmer. This application framework allows programmers to start from a generic, inheritable application with complete built-in support for overlapping windows, pull-down menus, handling of mouse and keyboard events. Turbo Vision's data management capabilities include extensible collection types and the ability to save and load persistent objects.

A new Integrated Development Environment, which offers high programmer productivity by offering overlapping windows and mouse support, a new multi-file editor, dialog boxes, cut-and-paste clipboard and integrated debugging with a new register window and conditional breakpoints.

Turbo Pascal 6.0 also features an online tutorial and Turbo Help, a comprehensive hypertext help system.

Turbo Pascal 6.0's new built-in assembler gives programmers complete access to Pascal symbols and allows the easy addition of assembly language routines to boost the performance of Pascal code.

Turbo Pascal Professional 6.0 includes all the features in Turbo Pascal 6.0 plus:

The command-line Turbo Drive compiler, which runs in extended memory and allows compilation of very large DOS applications.

The award-winning Turbo Debugger, which supports object-oriented debugging and features reverse execution. Turbo Drive allows Turbo Debugger to debug programs of any size on 286 or 386 PCs with extended memory.

Turbo Profiler, the first interactive profiler for DOS, measures program performance and helps programmers spot execution bottlenecks.

The MASM-compatible Turbo Assembler generates highly optimized code, supports 486 instructions and offers a high level language interface for easy integration with Pascal and C.

''First introduced in November 1983, Turbo Pascal has emerged as the preferred language for learning good structured programming style,'' said Gene Wang, general manager of Borland's Languages Business Unit. ''And now on its seventh anniversary, Turbo Pascal 6.0 offers programmers the ideal gateway into the new world of object-oriented programming.''

Turbo Pascal 6.0 is available now for IBM PC/XT/AT and PS/2 computers and 100 percent compatible systems with 512K RAM (256 for command-line compiler), DOS

2.0 or later versions that are 100 percent compatible. A hard disk is recommended. Turbo Pascal Professional 6.0 will be available in German, French and Italian in the first quarter of 1991.

The U.S. and Canadian version of Turbo Pascal has a suggested retail price of $149.95; Turbo Pascal Professional 6.0 is $299.95. Both products are available immediately through major resellers or direct from Borland. Registered Turbo Pascal customers in the United States and Canada can upgrade to Turbo Pascal 6.0 for $69.95, or to Turbo Pascal Professional 6.0 for $99.95.

Borland International Inc. (Scotts Valley) is a leading developer of business software and of object-oriented programming languages and tools. Borland offers some of the world's most widely used PC software, including Paradox, Quattro Pro, Sidekick, Turbo C++, and Turbo Pascal with Objects.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - VISX Inc. (NASDAQ: VISX) (Boston Stock Exchange: VSX) Monday announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

The company reported revenues for the third quarter of $1,160,439 compared to revenues of $68,000 recorded in the year ago quarter. The company reported a net loss for the quarter of $644,100, or $0.19 per share, compared to a net loss of $537,616, or $0.20 per share, reported in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, revenues were $3,279,439 compared to revenues of $68,000 reported in the comparable nine month period last year. The company reported a net loss of $1,876,880, or $0.56 per share, as compared to a net loss of $1,140,023, or $0.50 per share, reported for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

On Oct. 26, the shareholders of VISX approved the merger with Taunton Technologies, Inc. Both Taunton and VISX are now clinically testing systems developed by each Company which utilize excimer lasers to alter the focusing power of the eye by reshaping the cornea. These systems are also intended to treat other eye disorders. The merger will result in the cessation of patent litigation between the two companies and permit each to devote their full energies and resources to the development of this technology. The merger is expected to be finalized about November 26, pending satisfaction of a dissenters' rights provision under California law.

VISX, INCORPORATED designs, manufactures and markets advanced technology systems for ophthalmic applications.

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MILPITAS, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - LSI Logic (NYSE:LSI) Monday announced a plan for a conversion path that will enable customers to convert an existing Actel field programmable gate array (FPGA) into an LSI Logic mask programmable gate array.

This new design tool will be formally unveiled by LSI Logic in the first quarter of 1991.

Many customers use FPGAs for protyping and initial production, and then later convert the design into a gate array for volume production. This approach requires separate tools for the FPGAs and gate arrays which are not compatible. With the new conversion path, customers can take an Actel FPGA design and convert it to an LSI Logic gate array.

The new conversion environment will provide for a functional translation of Actel designs into a format that is readily accepted by MDE, LSI Logic's Modular Design Environment software. This procedure takes less than 10 minutes and supports the conversion of both single and multiple Actel FPGAs. The new LSI Logic gate array may then be verified in the standard format to provide the mask version for volume production.

''Time to market and time to volume is everything and we are addressing both with this new conversion environment,'' said Robert Blair, senior vice president of LSI Logic's ASIC division. ''LSI Logic's and Actel's silicon products are similar in structure and design environment, so creating a new design environment to translate these components makes sense to us and our customers.

Actel Corp. is a manufacturer of ACT1 and ACT2 field programmable gate arrays. These gate arrays offer a channeled gate array architecture and allow for desktop configurable devices to be configured in minutes without non-recurring engineering costs. Actel has headquarters at 955 East Arques Ave., Sunnyvale.

LSI Logic Corp. is a leading supplier of high-performance semiconductors. The company is the premier manufacturer and marketer of HCMOS application-specific integrated circuits (ASICs), with over 10,000 designs completed worldwide. In addition, the company manufactures and markets MIPS and SPARC architecture RISC microprocessors as well as a growing line of digital signal-processing circuits. The company also develops and sells chipsets and graphic boards

used in IBM-compatible computers.

LSI Logic employs more than 4,000 people in the United States, Europe, Japan and Canada. The company has headquarters in Milpitas, CA (95035) at 1551 McCarthy Blvd.

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MURRYSVILLE, PA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Respironics Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS symbol:RESP) Monday announced record results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reported net sales for the first quarter of $7,846,855, an increase of 77 percent over net sales of $4,423,896 reported for the comparable quarter last year. Net income for the quarter increased 131 percent to $835,287, or 24 cents per share, compared to $361,091, or 11 cents per share, reported in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Commenting on the results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, Dennis S. Meteny, vice president and general manager of Respironics Inc. stated, ''In many respects, this quarter was one of transition for Respironics. During the quarter, we successfully completed our relocation to our new office, warehouse and manufacturing facility. In addition, full scale production of REMstar, our fourth generation of the SleepEasy product line, was completely implemented.''

''We are extremely pleased to report that while effecting these measures, the company achieved record sales and net income. Furthermore, our efforts to improve product quality and lower production costs resulted in 50 percent gross margins as compared to 45 percent in the quarter ended September 30, 1989. We are encouraged by the improvement in margins and we continue to explore methods of strengthening our design and manufacturing process in an effort to further enhance efficiency and product quality.''

Robert D. Crouch, vice president - sales and marketing, stated, ''Our record sales for the quarter were principally due to an overall increase in demand for our entire product line. National distribution for REMstar began during the quarter and market acceptance of this technologically advanced product remains favorable. During fiscal 1991, we anticipate continued market penetration of REMstar as well as additional growth in our other product

areas.''

Respironics Inc. designs, develops, manufactures and markets respiratory medical products for use in the home, hospitals and emergency medical situations. The company was recently ranked No. 35 in Forbes' list of ''The 200 Best Small Companies in America'' (November 12, 1990).

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RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Data-Design Laboratories Inc. (NYSE:DDL) Monday announced its results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In the first quarter of fiscal 1991, DDL incurred a net loss of $1,061,000, compared with $2,488,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 and $780,000 in the first quarter of 1990. Sales of DDL's continuing businesses were $25,247,000, compared with fourth-quarter sales of $23,528,000. Sales for 1990's first quarter were $21,838,000.

DDL stated that the restructuring at its Aeroscientific Anaheim facility is continuing. In September the workforce was reduced by approximately 25 percent and the plant was converted from two-shift production to a single shift to improve yields and efficiency. These changes are not expected to reduce output. Improvements in operating results are expected over the next several quarters.

DDL's Irlandus and A.J. Electronics subsidiaries operated at profitable levels in the first quarter. A.J. had its highest sales month ever in September. Aeroscientific Oregon incurred a small loss for the quarter as a result of process control issues for which corrective action is being taken.

DDL Electronics (DDL-E), the company's new assembly unit in Northern Ireland, is operating at a slight loss after grant income. DDL-E continues to concentrate on its marketing efforts and customer qualifications.

During the first quarter, the company purchased $500,000 of its 8 1/2 percent debentures at a gain of $236,000. As a consequence of this gain and the effects of the previously announced termination of DDL's defined benefit pension plan which were recorded in the first quarter, DDL's tangible net worth (TNW) was above $28 million at the end of the quarter.

If TNW falls below that level for two consecutive quarters, the company will be required to purchase 10 percent of the then outstanding 8 1/2 percent debentures.

To bolster its working capital position, in October DDL borrowed approximately $13 million under its existing U.S. revolving line of credit and exercised its option to convert the borrowing to a five-year term loan bearing interest at the prime rate.

In summary, the company indicated that some progress has been made toward its turnaround. As a result of actions taken, DDL anticipates better results in the second half of fiscal 1991.

DDL is primarily engaged in the manufacture and assembly of printed circuit boards for computer, communications and instrumentation industries. It also manufactures broadband communications equipment at its Catel Telecommunications subsidiary for the CATV and telephone markets.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of California Energy Company Inc. (ASE, PSE:CE) has declared a 4 percent stock dividend which will be distributed on Jan. 17, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 17, 1990.

''The board's decision reflects both the company's continued earnings growth and our efforts to enhance shareholder value,'' said Charles T. Condy, chairman and chief executive officer.

The company recently announced record revenues and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30. Net income was $8.8 million, or 35 cents per share, some 85 percent higher than earnings for all of fiscal 1989.

California Energy Company is the leading independent developer of geothermal resources in the United States. An operator and owner of the 240 megawatt Coso Geothermal Project, the company is also a major wholesaler of electricity. In addition, California Energy controls more than 470,000 acres of geothermal prospect lands in Northern California, Oregon, Washington, Utah and Nevada.

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WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - ALWAYS Technology, a leading supplier of Small Computer Systems Interface (SCSI) adapters, Monday announced the availability of a half card, 16-bit SCSI host adapter.

Called IN-2000, the ALWAYS adapter targets the high end of the 286, 386 and 486 PC/AT. It features the latest in chip technology and an innovative, proprietary architecture which enables ''programmed I/O'' via a fast dual port RAM buffer, This unique approach does not use the Direct Memory Access (DMA) channel.

The new ALWAYS adapters bridges the performance gap typically associated with the PC/AT's Direct Memory Access channel. Long recognized as a chronic source of I/O bottleneck problems, DMA restricts the rate of data flow, which causes severe performance compromises in the new high-speed PC systems available today.

By avoiding the DMA transfer approach, the ALWAYS SCSI adapter offers dramatic I/O improvement, particularly for programs requiring extended and expanded memory such as Windows 3.0 and DESQview. These improvements have been independently benchmarked as superior in performance to any other SCSI adapters on the market.

Both IBM and Microsoft have recently announced support for SCSI, endorsing the interface standard as mandatory for the maximum performance benefit of the new micro channel and EISA computers, especially those operating in file server environments.

The ALWAYS IN-2000 adapter, designed as a half card to accommodate shrinking PC enclosures, is only 6-2/3 inches in length and 4-1/3 inches high, and dissipates only 3W of power.

The product's use of programmed I/O instead of DMA transfer eradicates the frequent problem associated with DMA conflicts: since there are only 8 DMA channels in the PC/AT architecture, DMA devices such as disk controllers, video cards, scanners and others can often conflict in assignment with disastrous results.

Because of the company's use of programmed I/O over DMA, the IN-2000 obsoletes the installation headaches associated with DMA-transfer SCSI adapters, whose myriad of jumpers are usually difficult to install and frequently end up in the wrong location.

ALWAYS Technology, with headquarters in Westlake Village, was incorporated in July 1989 to develop and market the highest-performace SCSI host adapters available. The company employs both direct sales and independent representatives worldwide to target distributors of disk and tape-storage

products, and OEMs of high-performance PC architectures.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - ERLY Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:ERLY) announced Monday second-quarter results for the three and six months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

ERLY reported net income of $1.1 million, or 36 cents per share, of common stock on sales of $88 million for the second quarter, which compares favorably with net income of $987,000, or 33 cents per share, on sales of $99 million for the second quarter of last year after adjustment for a 10 percent dividend.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $2.4 million, or 76 cents per share, on sales of $196 million, a substantial improvement over net income of $999,000, or 33 cents per share, on sales of $217 million for the same period of the prior year.

Gerald D. Murphy, chairman of the board, commented: ''The results for the second quarter demonstrate the company's strength and diversity of businesses. Comet Rice, the company's rice milling subsidiary, improved operating margins even as it adjusted to rapidly changing international market conditions.

''The United Nations trade embargo on Iraq prevented Comet in the second quarter from selling any rice to Iraq, which was one of Comet's major markets in FY 1990. Improved sales and profitability in Comet's other markets made up the resulting shortfall in earnings.

''In addition, Chemonics Firetrol, the company's fire retardant subsidiary, had an excellent fire season this summer, increasing sales by 20 percent over the prior year.

''Looking forward, our ERLY Juice subsidiary is expected to benefit from an estimated 50 percent increase in the Florida citrus crop over last year. Both lower raw product prices and greater plant utilization should improve operating results for ERLY Juice's Treesweet and Kraft brands.''

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AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Ryan Corley, chairman of the board and president of U.S. Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:USXX) announced Monday that Republic Technology Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of the company, has signed a two year international distribution agreement valued at approximately $57.2 million (U.S.).

The agreement is for U.S. Technologies' family of Remote Processing Module (RPM) work stations with the LAN Group International, an international consortium of distributors of Computer Network Products.

Republic's RPM work stations are a fully-integrated work station solution for Novell and other network operating systems, supporting Ethernet, ARCNET and Token Ring network topologies.

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ALBANY, NY (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - National Savings Bank of Albany (NASDAQ:NSBA) announced Monday that net income for the fourth fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $915,000, or 77 cents per share which matched the like period of 1989.

For the fiscal year, net income was $3,502,000, or $2.94 per share as compared to $3,379,000, or $2.86 per share for fiscal 1989.

Pre-tax income increased 60.2 percent during the quarter from the prior year level, but the particularly favorable tax treatment during the like period of 1989 was not available in 1990 so that this increase is not reflected in net income.

For the year, earnings were reduced by $357,000, or 30 cents per share related to the aborted Home and City Savings Bank merger effort. Even with this charge net income increased 3.63 percent.

For the quarter, net interest income increased by $391,000 as a result of growth of $42,074,000 in average earning assets from the prior year period, including non-performing assets that were returned to performing status.

Net interest income increased an additional $571,000 due to improvement in margin which came from declining interest rates on deposits and borrowings.

While other expenses were up in the quarter over the prior year period by $333,000, the two largest factors were write-down of REO properties of $252,000 and an agreed upon settlement of an employment contract of $165,000.

Other increases in expenses related to increased salaries and inceased deposit insurance costs were offset by eliminating expenses in fiscal 1989 for real estate owned of $232,000.

Non-performing assets remained low at 0.7 percent of assets and only 52 percent of the prior year level. Delinquencies at year-end as a percent of loans outstanding were running at levels 26 percent lower than a year ago.

The geographic area in which the vast majority of the bank's loan portfolio has been originated seems to be less affected than other areas

in light of the uncertainties related to the overall economy, management has deemed it prudent to increase the fourth quarter provision for laon loss to $400,000, thereby strengthening the bank's allowance for loan loss.

During 1990, net interest income ran at record levels, loan delinquencies were low, and operating expenses were under control. Management looks forward to further positive financial results during 1991.

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NASHVILLE, TN (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Dollar General Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DOLR) Monday reported increased sales for October and the third quarter.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Cal Turner Jr. said retail sales for the period ended Oct. 31, 1990, totaled $54.9 million compared with $48.8 million in 1989, an increase of 12.4 percent. Same store sales for the period increased 7.7 percent.

''We are pleased with sales in October and the third quarter,'' Turner said. ''We look forward to a good Christmas selling season. Inventory levels in the stores are higher than last year and the distribution centers continue to operate as expected.''

For the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, retail sales totaled $163.3 million compared with $144.5 million for the same period last year, an increase of 13 percent. Same store sales for the quarter increased 8.8 percent.

For the first nine months of the year, Dollar General's retail sales totaled $447.4 million compared with $420 million for the same period last year, an increase of 6.5 percent. Same store sales for the year have increased 1.9 percent.

Dollar General is a chain of 1,432 neighborhood stores operating in 23 states with distribution centers in Georgia and Kentucky. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market.

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MIAMI (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Biscayne Holdings Inc. (AMEX:BHA) Monday reported record sales of $21,737,000 and net income of $1,787,000 (20 cents per share) for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

This compares with net sales of $15,849,000 and net income of $1,203,000 (16 cents per share) for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, record sales were $35,775,000, which represents a 21 percent increase over the $29,526,000 generated in 1989. Nine month net income was $688,000 (8 cents per share) compared with net income of $211,000 (3 cents per share) in 1989.

Operating income also reached record levels with the 1990 third quarter at $3,473,000, which represents a 73 percent increase over the $2,010,000 1989 third quarter operating income. For the 1990 nine months operating income was $2,306,000, which represents a 182 percent increase over the 1989 operating income of $818,000.

Interest and other expense were $1,578,000 and $757,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively. Interest and other income were $694,000 and $1,389,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Interest expense has increased and interest income has decreased as a result of the issuance of a $26.5 million dividend to stockholders in December 1989.

The 1990 and 1989 nine month results included net charges of $131,000 and $971,000, respectively, related to non-cash losses from Biscayne's 30 percent investment in SPI Partners L.P. (''SPI''). The losses generated by SPI primarily relate to the amortization of intangible assets which reduce the taxability of the partnership's earnings.

As the amortization of assets declines, the impact on net income of non-cash charges from Biscayne's investment in SPI will be nominal after 1990.

Commenting on the results, Chairman Earl W. Powell stated: ''We are extremely pleased that Andy Johns and Varon, have continued to attain record levels of sales and operating income, especially in light of the recent instabilities in the retail apparel markets.

A registration statement has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and has become effective registering, among other things, the distribution of the Partnership's Biscayne Stock to its partners, and the resale of such stock. As a result, recipients of such stock are now free to sell their shares in open market transactions.

Biscayne Holdings is a Miami-based manufacturing company with opeations in the apparel industry. Biscayne's Andy Johns Fashions division designs and distributes women and children's outerwear, and its Varon division manufactures toddlers and girls' underwear.

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BOSTON (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Genzyme Corp. (NASDAQ:GENZ) Monday reported that revenues in the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased by 102 percent to $13,909,000 from $6,887,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

The increase in the current period was produced by higher product sales across all product lines, including revenues from Genzyme's IG Laboratories subsidiary.

The company's operating loss for the quarter narrowed to $950,000, or 6 cents per share, as compared to a loss of $7,589,000, or 74 cents per share for the third quarter in 1989 because of improved product gross margin and the purchase of in-process research and development during the third quarter of 1989.

Included in the current quarter were increased marketing and manufacturing expenses associated with the aniticipated approval and launch of the Ceredase product for the treatment of Type I Gaucher's disease. For the nine-month period ended September 30, revenues totaled $36,281,000, compared with revenues of $23,123,000 in the first nine months of 1989.

Genzyme Corp. is a diversified health care products company which has a distinctive industry position based on its development of novel therapeutic

proteins and biomaterials and its operation of a growing diagnostic products, pharmaceuticals and fine chemicals business.

The company is headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., with production and research facilities in Cambridge and Framingham, Mass., and in Maidstone and Haverhill, England, and a sales office in Tokyo, Japan. IG Laboratories, Genzyme's majority owned subsidiary, headquartered in Framingham, Mass., provides a broad range of genetic testing services to hospitals, clinical laboratories, physicians and health maintenance organizations located throughout the United States.

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SOUTHAMPTON, NY (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - John F. Kidd, president and chief executive officer of Hamptons Bancshares Inc., a one bank holding company, announced Monday that two of the company's subsidiaries will be consolidated at year end.

Bancshares will incorporate the staff and operations of its mortgage banking company, Hamptons Mortgage Corp., into The Bank of The Hamptons, N.A. as a newly formed Residential Mortgage Department.

Kidd added that the strategy will enable the company to consolidate and conserve capital and reduce marketing expenses while expanding its mortgage business throughout the area served by the bank's branches. Arlene Geertsema will become a senior vice president of the bank and continue to supervise the department as officer in charge while Vice President Margaret M. Winters will retain the responsibility for sales and business development.

The new department will continue to operate from its present location at 3880 Veterans Memorial Highway., Bohemia. In addition to The Bank of The Hamptons, Bancshares owns Leasehampton Corp. and The Appraisal Center Inc. The nine branches of the Bank are located in Montauk, Montauk Dock, East Hampton, East Hampton Village, Sag Harbor, Water Mill, Southampton, Westhampton Beach and Bohemia. The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol ''HBSI.''

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MILPITAS, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Octel Communications (NASDAQ/NMS:OCTL)

Monday announced that Sierra, the company's multiple-application voice processing platform designed specifically to meet the high reliability and maintenance standards for Voice Information Services (VIS) and Central Office (CO) equipment, completed a battery of stringent tests validating its compliance to Bellcore's Network Equipment-Building Systems (NEBS) guidelines.

NEBS guidelines state the operational, safety, environmental, spatial and serviceability specifications for equipment that operates in the CO. The specifications ensure that equipment operating in the CO meets the requirements for sturdiness and ease of maintenance demanded by telephone companies and other VIS providers.

Sierra is designed to provide telephone answering, voice mail, call routing, automated attendant, voice bulletin boards, voice forms, touch tone forms, and other voice processing applications for up to 500,000 residential, business and cellular subscribers. Sierra will be expandable from 48 ports to 2,304 ports with a maximum of 10,752 hours of message storage.

In the first full quarter of Sierra product shipments ended Sept. 30, 1990, 22 Sierra systems were shipped to regional Bell operating companies and cellular providers both in the United States and Canada.

During this same period the company also shipped the first dual-cabinet configuration of Sierra to a Voice Information Services customer. The dual-cabinet configuration has capacity for up to 144 ports.

Chance also stressed that Sierra's NEBS conformance allows voice processing services to be tightly integrated with CO and other network equipment when located in a CO. If a platform meets NEBS guidelines, a telephone company is not required to make special provisions for housing that equipment.

The tests were conducted and monitored by the staff of AT&T's Quality Management and Engineering Laboratory at Union, N.J., during a 12-week period.

During the test period, several Sierra platforms were subjected to a number of tests, including simulated earthquake shock and vibration tests, temperature and humidity extremes, drop tests to duplicate what could happen to the system during transportation, and fire safety tests.

NEBS guidelines also address various spatial and serviceability standards. Sierra's compliance with the service and wiring aisle conventions allow service personnel easy access to critical components from the front and to all wiring connections from the rear of each 144-port platform.

Such design features make system installation and maintenance quicker, more efficient and safer, which in turn decrease overall maintenance costs and system downtime.

Octel Communications Corp. designs, manufactures and markets high-performance voice processing systems. Octel's Aspen product line is sold in the United States, Canada and overseas to small companies and large multisite corporations.

Octel Communications was founded in 1982 and is headquartered in Milpitas.

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TUCSON, AZ (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - American Southwest Mortgage Investments Corp. (AMEX:ASR) announced earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $3,412,000, 23 cents per share, compared to $1,318,000, 9 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $8,707,000, 60 cents per share, versus $3,951,000, 28 cents per share, for the comparable period in 1989, representing a 120 percent increase in earnings over last year.

Jon Grove, chairman and chief executive officer, said:''LIBOR rates have continued to decline. With the Fed's lastest easing of interest rates, the one-month LIBOR has declined further to 8 percent; therefore, earnings for the fourth quarter should continue to increase.''

The higher 1990 earnings reflect lower short-term interest rates. The average one-month LIBOR incurred by the company during the third quarter of 1990 was 8.2 percent compared with 9.2 percent during the third quarter of 1989.

The company also announced that based on the first nine months, its estimated taxable income for the year ending Dec. 31, 1990, is $1 per share.

The company has declared and paid dividends totalling 54 cents per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. As a real estate investment trust, the company must distribute at least 95 percent of its annual taxable income as dividends to its stockholders; therefore, the company has established a substantial reserve for future dividends.

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CORAL GABLES, FLA (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Ramsay-HMO Inc. (OTC:RHMO) Monday announced results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30.

Net revenues reached a record $31,154,349, an increase of 35 percent over net revenues of $23,749,781 for the like period a year ago. Net income for the first quarter accelerated to $1,061,441, up 152 percent from $421,254 in the prior year.

Earnings per share were 24 cents for the quarter on 4.4 million shares outstanding, vs. 32 cents in the prior year on 1.3 million shares outstanding. Included in the results were the first month's operation of the third-party administrator acquired in early September.

Greg Browne, chief executive officer, stated, ''We are continuing to build on our commitment to the staff model. Currently, we are engaged in an expansion of our medical centers, with two additional full-service centers expected to be operational by the end of the year. This is in addition to our ongoing modernization program of existing centers.

''Up to five additional company pharmacies should be in operation by early 1991 to enhance the cost efficiency of our staff model system.''

Ramsay-HMO Inc., reported membership at September 1990 grew to 67,251, representing a 25 percent year-on-year increase, and the company is expecting continued strong membership growth as it continues to penetrate the Florida market.

Ramsay-HMO Inc., owns and operates a South Florida-based health maintenance organization (''HMO'') serving the Miami Hispanic community and others in the Miami and Fort Lauderdale area. Approximately 75 percent of the company's HMO members receive primary medical care through the company's staff model ambulatory health care centers.

Approximately 25 percent of the company's membership is enrolled in its Medicare Plus plan. The company's HMO is the oldest HMO in Florida and is one of the largest HMO's in the Miami area.

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BURLINGTON, MA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Symbolics Inc. (NASDAQ:SMBX), Monday announced a net profit for the first quarter of its fiscal year 1991 ending Sept. 30, 1990 of $168,000, or $.01 per share, compared with a profit of $151,000, or $.01 per share, for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Revenues for the quarter were $11,124,000, compared with revenues of $16,273,000 for the comparable quarter a year earlier.

The company reported other income, not included in revenues, of $2,146,000 for the quarter, resulting from the company's recent $3.9 million technology licensing transaction with a Japanese consortium. Excluding this other income the company would have reported a net loss for the quarter of $1,978,000. As a result of this transaction, the company's cash balance increased to over $5.3 million as of Sept. 30, 1990.

Symbolics Inc., headquartered in Burlington, Mass., is the leading provider of symbolics processing hardware and software used in sophisticated applications including interactive scheduling and planning, computer-aided mathematical computing and HDTV-based graphics imaging and processing.

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FAIRMONT, WV (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - CB&T Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:CBTF) has announced that its wholly-owned banking subsidiary, Community Bank & Trust, National Association, has assumed the deposits and purchased certain loans of the First Standard Federal Savings Association, Fairmont.

The transaction was finalized on Friday, Nov. 2.

First Standard has been operated under conservatorship procedures by the Resolution Trust Corp. (''RTC'') since February of this year and CB&T's acquisition of the Fairmont savings association was a result of a winning bid proposal to RTC of a premium on deposits of $3,015,000.

The $64 million of deposit accounts assumed and the $49 million of loan accounts purchased together with a cash settlement from RTC of approximately $12 million will be transferred by direct merger, subject to regulatory procedures, to CB&TNA, the company's lead bank.

For varying periods up to 180 days, CB&T will have the option to sell back to RTC, with certain restrictions, those loans that have been deemed at the discretion of CB&T to be of less than bank quality.

All former First Standard customers affected by the merger will receive a letter from CB&T explaining in detail the change as it applies to them. In addition, receptions/meetings for our new customers will be held at the East Side/Merchant Street office and at CB&T's main office welcoming them to CB&T

and providing a forum for questions relating to the change.

The First Standard acquisition together with three other bank merger transactions currently in process, will increase CB&T's assets to approximately $650 million making the Company West Virginia's 5th largest commercial banking company.

When all merger negotiations are finalized CB&T will operate 25 commercial banking offices in 17 north-central West Virginia communities.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Nov. 2, NYNEX Corporation responded to the announcement late today by Moody's Investors Service concerning Moody's review of the corporation's credit rating for possible downgrade with the following statement:

Moody's has put its finger on the three key challenges for our company: the weakness in the Northeast economy, the highly competitive market in which we do business and the uncertainty about the final outcome of New York Telephone's pending rate case.

We look forward to a final decision by the New York Public Service Commission based on the record established in the case. And we will continue working with the commission to develop and implement regulatory reforms needed to keep the Northeast competitive.

We also will continue to discuss with Moody's our plans for managing our business profitably in light of the commission's decisions and the economic trends in our region.

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SCOTTS VALLEY, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The world's fastest disc drive that eliminates high-volume data processing bottlenecks by transferring information at rates of up to 27 million bytes-per-second was announced Monday by Seagate Technology (NASDAQ/NMS:SGAT).

Seagate's new Sabre PTD Parallel Transfer Disc, which has a storage capacity of 2,368 million bytes of data, uses nine read/write heads simultaneously to

achieve its fast 218MHz data transfer rate.

The Sabre PTD was jointly developed by Seagate Technology and Cray Research Inc. In a separate announcement, Cray Research today introduced its DD-60 mass storage device which is a proprietary implementation of the Sabre PTD.

Alan Shugart, chief executive officer of Seagate Technology, said the joint effort between Seagate and Cray Research is a testimony to the company's strong presence in the mainframe and supercomputer market.

Seagate's new Sabre PTD disc drive extends the performance features of previous multi-head devices and achieves data transfer rates of up to 27MB per second by reading and writing to the disc using eight or nine heads in parallel. It is the only disc drive currently available that can deliver this data transfer rate and offer storage capacity in excess of 2.3 gigabytes.

The Sabre PTD builds on the success of Seagate's Sabre series of eight-inch disc drives that have been proven in numerous high-performance applications. Standard features include an average seek time of 12 milliseconds and spindle synchronization that allows multiple Sabre PTD drives to run in parallel.

In addition, the Sabre PTD incorporates the industry standard IPI-2 interface, which conforms to the ANSI Enhanced Intelligent Peripheral Interface specification. This interface utilizes a single cable to greatly simplify system integration. Many competitive high-performance disc drives use the SMD interface which requires multiple cables to maintain true parallel data transfer.

Seagate Technology is the world's leading supplier of disc storage products to original equipment manufacturers and remarketers.

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BOULDER, CO (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Former PrairieTek executives Steven B. Volk and Dr. James H. Morehouse have formed a new company, Integral Peripherals Inc.

The company will design, manufacture and market subminiature disk drives for the palmtop and pocket computer, and data collection markets.

Integral Peripherals Inc. has moved into new corporate headquarters at 5775

Flatiron Parkway, Boulder, CO. The phone number is 303/449-8009. Occupying over 16,000 square feet of space, the company will conduct research and development, sales and marketing, and operations and administrative functions from the Boulder facility.

In addition, headquarters will house a pilot production manufacturing facility capable of producing a few thousand drives per month. High-volume manufacturing will be transferred to the company's Pacific Rim manufacturing facility.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - General Cinema Corp. (NYSE:GCN) announced Monday that it has terminated the merger agreement between it and The Neiman Marcus Group Inc. (NYSE:NMG) and will not commence its previously announced tender offer for The Neiman Marcus Group common stock.

General Cinema exercised its termination right solely because it was advised by the special review committee of the board of directors of The Neiman Marcus Group that the special review committee had determined to withdraw its recommendation of the tender offer.

The Neiman Marcus Group currently has approximately 33.2 million shares of common stock outstanding, of which approximately 16.8 million are held by General Cinema and 16.4 million are publicly held. General Cinema also holds an issue of convertible preferred stock of The Neiman Marcus Group, which, if converted, would increase General Cinema's total common equity interest in The Neiman Marcus Group to approximately 60 percent.

In addition to its involvement in specialty retailing, General Cinema operates one of the nation's largest theatre circuits and also holds in excess of $1.5 billion in cash.

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SCOTTS VALLEY, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Seagate Technology (NASDAQ/NMS:SGAT) and NCR Corp. Monday announced a strategic alliance to jointly develop high-performance storage solutions that set a new standard for data availability, data transfer rates and storage capacity.

The strategic alliance has already announced its first new products: -- An integrated disc array in the NCR System 3445 and 3450 that is capable of transferring data at up to 6.25 megabytes per second. The integrated array uses Seagate's high-performance 5.25-inch form factor disc drives. -- A disc array subsystem with an enhanced Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) that is capable of transferring data at up to 20 megabytes per second. The subsystem uses Seagate's high-performance 3.5-inch form factor disc drives.

As applications become more complex and sophisticated, continuous data availability, fast data transfer rates and shorter access times have become critical factors in the decision to purchase or to use any computer system. The new NCR/Seagate disc array subsystem helps to answer that need with data transfer rates of up to 20 megabytes per second and virtually unlimited storage capacity. Further Evolution of SCSI Interface

Based on market acceptance, Shugart said Seagate believes that the new wider, faster SCSI-2 interface will become the most widely accepted standard in the industry. He said the new SCSI-2 interface of the subsystem incorporates several enhancements to the current SCSI-1 interface. The enhancements that are realized with SCSI-2 include: -- Tag command queuing -- Wide SCSI -- Fast SCSI -- Common command set -- Asynchronous event notification

The original SCSI-1 was developed in 1981 from an alliance between NCR and Shugart Associates, headed by Alan Shugart, to satisfy the need for a standard intelligent interface offering fast data access and transfer rates when using computer systems with peripherals. NCR's Peripherals Products Division, located in Wichita, Kansas, developed the first SCSI protocol chip. Since then, the SCSI interface has evolved into one of the most popular interface standards in the computer industry. NCR and Seagate continue to play a leadership role in the ANSI working groups that define this evolving standard. NCR Establishing Major Strategic Alliances

Seagate Technology is the world's leading supplier of disc storage products to original equipment manufacturers and remarketers.

NCR Corp., based in Dayton, Ohio, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets. Worldwide service and maintenance support for NCR products are provided by NCR's 16,000 field and software engineers, at 1,300 locations in 120 countries.

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EL SEGUNDO, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Xerox Corp. (NYSE:XRX) announced Monday new software and hardware for the Xerox 4050, 4650 and 4090 series of electronic printing systems which expands the scope of applications in mid- and high-volume customer environments.

Version 3.5 software provides users with greater document management capabilities for the 4050 series electronic printing systems, including advanced feeding and finishing options and higher quality graphics production.

In addition, the introduction of V3.5 marks the first time that all three printing systems in the 4050 series will share common operating software. As a result, customers will be able to process documents on a combination of systems for greater operational versatility.

With the implementation of V3.5, the 4050 and 4650 systems now can be directly connected with the Xerox High-Capacity Feeder (HFC). Previously, only the 4090 supported this option. The HFC adds two extra input trays, for a total of four trays. This increases input capacity from 1,500 sheets of paper to 3,500 sheets, and minimizes operator paper loading. FINISHING OPTIONS

The software upgrade also makes Xerox the first manufacturer to provide data centers with an on-line stitching or stapling capability that doesn't require third-party connecting devices. The Xerox High-Capacity Stitcher/Stacker option (HCSS), supported directly by series 4050 systems running V3.5, streamlines finishing applications such as collating and stitching.

Instead of separate manual steps, documents can now be printed, collated and stitched in one continuous process. COMPLEX GRAPHICS

The V3.5 release supports the Interpress Publication Set offering significant flexibility in applications requiring the printing of complex graphics. In addition, the 4650's 600-dots-per-inch capability produces crisp, clean graphics for highly professional-looking documents.

Xerox customers who currently use either the 4050, 4650 or 4090 and are on a Xerox maintenance or lease agreement will be upgraded free of charge to V3.5.

Xerox Printing Systems Customer Marketing has its headquarters in El Segundo, Calif. Xerox markets a broad line of electronic printers, from the tabletop Xerox 4045 to the high-volume, 120-page-per-minute Xerox 9790 electronic printing system.

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DAYTON, OH (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The Reynolds and Reynolds Co. (NYSE:REY) Monday reported that earnings for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30 were $24.4 million, or $2.30 per share, compared with $27.2 million, or $2.53 per share a year ago.

Net sales and revenues for the year were $595.3 million, compared to last year's $602.1 million.

Net income for the fourth quarter was $5.4 million, or 51 cents per share, compared with $7.0 million, or 65 cents per share last year. Net sales and revenues for the fourth quarter were $155.5 million, compared to $149.9 million a year ago.

The business forms segment reported sales of $88.2 million for the quarter and $343.2 million for the year, vs. $85.4 million and $348.9 million a year ago. Operating income for the segment was $3 million for the quarter and $19.5 million for the year, vs. $3.9 million and $19.6 million last year.

Sales for the computer systems segment were $67.3 million for the quarter and $252 million for the year compared to $64.4 million and $253.2 million last year. Operating income for the segment was $7.7 million for the quarter and $27.5 million for the year, vs. $8.8 million and $34.3 million a year ago.

Reynold and Reynolds, headquartered in Dayton, is a major supplier of information processing systems, including business forms and computer systems to automotive, professional, medical and general business markets.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Telecom, IBM and NYNEX Monday announced a trial of a direct connection between public telephone company central office switching systems and private computers.

This will be the first time that data processing can be provided by a private business computer to help organizations handle calls synchronized with central office switched services offered by telephone companies such as those operated by NYNEX.

Syracuse University will be the first institution to participate in a trial of the new capability, which links a Northern Telecom DMS SuperNode switching system to an IBM Application System/400 computer with IBM's CallPath Services Architecture, using the network facilities of New York Telephone's Intellipath II system at the university.

IBM and Northern Telecom said this announcement was part of an agreement to develop coordinated voice and data solutions for the businesses or institutions using the public network provided by NYNEX to automatically associate calls with information stored in private business computers.

Businesses and other organizations will be able to use this capability to offer faster, more accurate service to clients.

In this trial, a call to Syracuse University's 711 emergency number from any point on campus will provide simultaneous voice and data transmission of such crucial information as the building and room number from which the call was placed and the location of the nearest fire exits.

Syracuse will thus become the first college or university to test this type of instantaneous emergency response service for the benefit of its students, faculty and staff.

In addition to announcing the Syracuse University trial with IBM and NYNEX, Northern Telecom announced CompuCALL, a new central office-to-host computer applications link.

CompuCALL software is an open interface, written to meet emerging Switch to Computer Applications Interface (SCAI) standards. Northern Telecom will release its CompuCALL interface specification within 30 days. This will make it possible for any vendor or individual to develop the switching system link to their computer.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telehone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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BRANFORD, CT (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - C. Scott Greer, president of Echlin Inc. (NYSE:ECH), has been elected to the company's board of directors.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Frederick J. Mancheski made the announcement. Mr. Greer succeeds Richard C. Curran, who retired. An Echlin director since 1985, Mr. Curran had chaired the compensation committee of the board, and gave invaluable counsel and guidance. Mr. Curran is now a director emeritus of the company.

Mr. Greer was recently elected president, and previously held the positions of group vice president and group controller of Echlin's international operations.

Echlin is a worldwide manufacturer and distributor of motor vehicle replacement parts, with annual sales of $1.6 billion.

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DALLAS (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Darwin E. Smith, chairman and chief executive officer of Kimberly-Clark Corp. (NYSE:KMB) Monday announced that the company's board of directors has elected Wayne R. Sanders as president and chief operating officer, effective Dec. 1.

Smith said that Sanders' election represents the next step in the company's continuing plan for management succession. The office of president of Kimberly-Clark had been unfilled since 1985; chief operating officer is a newly created position.

Smith also announced that three new executive vice presidents have been named. They are:

--James D. Bernd, who, as the senior corporate officer in Neenah, Wis., will be responsible for the Household Products and Service and Industrial Sectors, U.S. and Canadian Consumer Sales, and U.S. Consumer Services;

--James G. Grosklaus, who, as the senior corporate officer in Roswell, Ga., will be responsible for the Pulp and Paper Sector, Environmental and Energy Affairs, and Fiber Research; and

--James T. McCauley, also based in Roswell, who will be responsible for the Nonwovens and Professional Health Care Sector, Far East Operations and the World Support Group.

Kimberly-Clark is a manufacturer of household, personal care and health care

products, as well as newsprint and premium business, correspondence and specialty papers.

The company's consumer products include Huggies disposable diapers, Huggies Pull-Ups training pants, Huggies baby wipes, Kleenex facial tissue, Kleenex premium bathroom tissue, Kotex and New Freedom feminine products, Hi-Dri household towels and Depend incontinence products.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Peter J. Guest, president and chief executive officer of Galactic Resources Ltd. (TSE/ME/VSE/AMEX:GLC), announced Monday that the company has structured an accord with Ivanhoe Capital Corp. (ICC) and with Robert Friedland.

ICC is a mining venture capital company wholly owned by Robert Friedland, founder and former chairman and CEO of Galactic Resources Ltd. ICC is engaged in mineral exploration and development with particular emphasis in developing nations.

The agreement grants to Galactic the right to acquire, in certain circumstances, up to 50 percent of North American mineral property interests acquired in the future by Friedland or by ICC. In addition, Galactic will have the first right to participate with ICC or Friedland if they decide to joint venture or sell a working interest in any worldwide mineral properties acquired in the future.

Robert Friedland has resigned as vice chairman and as a director of Galactic in order to devote his efforts to ICC. Friedland remains a major shareholder of Galactic, committed to continuing support of the company. He has agreed to serve as a consultant to the company with respect to specific assignments upon the request of Galactic's board of directors.

Galactic will benefit from this newly structured relationship through exposure to a broad variety of worldwide exploration and development opportunities.

Galactic produces gold at the Ridgeway Gold Mine in South Carolina with joint venture partner Kennecott Ridgeway Mining Co. (an indirect subsidiary of The RTZ Corp. PLC) and its Ivanhoe Gold Mine in Nevada as well as its wholly-owned Summitville Mine in Colorado. Galactic also has precious metal development projects in California, Canada and the Philippines.

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OTTAWA, ONTARIO (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Gandalf Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: GANDF) has made several new worldwide appointments to further strengthen its business operations.

In particular, the company appointed two experienced industry executives to key positions in its U.S. subsidiary to continue building its presence in that essential marketplace.

Kenneth L. Paape, 41, has been named to the new post of vice president and general manager of Gandalf Data Inc., the company's U.S. subsidiary, with headquarters in suburban Chicago.

Paape joins Gandalf from AT&T, where his 18-year career included senior sales and marketing positions. While at AT&T, he established Communication Americas an AT&T subsidiary, managing the Canadian-U.S. cross-border network services business.

Paape reports to John Wandell, senior vice president, marketing, Gandalf Technologies Inc.

Gandalf also recently appointed Vladimir Pawlukowsky, 33, as director of marketing for its U.S. subsidiary. Prior to joining Gandalf, Pawlukowsky was a regional marketing director for personal computer manufacturer Northgate Computer Systems.

His prior experience also includes sales and marketing positions with Dell Computer Corp. and IBM. Pawlukowsky reports to Paape. In addition, Alexander Brisbourne, 39, has been promoted to the new position of director, international marketing, reporting to Wandell. Brisbourne has been with Gandalf since 1987 and most recently served as director of marketing for the company's U.K. subsidiary, Gandalf Digital Communications Ltd.

In his new position, Brisbourne will orchestrate the company's technology and product groups with worldwide market requirements such that Gandalf can successfully fulfill the needs of its customers. He will be based at the company's headquarters in Nepean.

The company also recently appointed David Tulloh, 37, as its new general manager for Gandalf Pacific Pty., based in Sydney, Australia. Tulloh has 20 years' experience in the Australian data communications market. Most recently he was a sales manager for Datacraft, a prominent Australian data communications supplier.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Enron Corp. (NYSE:ENE) announced Monday that Teesside Power Co. Ltd., a partnership operated by Enron, has received the final permission required to construct and operate a 1,725 megawatt combined heat and power combined cycle gas turbine power station at Wilton, on Teesside in the United Kingdom.

The consent to construct and operate the power project was granted Monday by John Wakeham, Secretary of State of Energy in the United Kingdom.

The project is the first power station, and also the largest, proposed by an independent generator to be given the energy secretary's consent under the 1989 Electricity Act.

''We are delighted to receive this permission to construct the plant at Teesside under the government's privatization effort,'' said John B. Wing, chairman of Enron Power Corp. and Enron Europe Ltd.

''This marks the beginning of the construction of the plant, which Wimpey Construction Co. actually started today, on receipt of this permission. The completed plant will deliver its first electricity to the national grid in April 1993.''

In addition to its employment impact in the region, including the impact of the associated gas terminal and pipeline projects, the Teesside project will improve the environment and deliver electricity at a very competitive price, Wing said.

Enron also announced that the final negotiations are proceeding on the financing for the Teesside project. A consortium of international banks has been selected to underwrite the financing which will be non-recourse and off-balance sheet to the project owners.

Enron Corp., America's leading natural gas company with approximately $11 billion in revenues and $9 billion in assets, operates the largest natural gas transmission system in the United States; markets natural gas liquids, crude oil and refined products worldwide; owns 84 percent of Enron Oil & Gas Co., one of the largest independent (non-integrated) natural gas exploration and production companies in the United States; and also is one of the largest independent producers of electricity in the United States, with extensive experience in combined heat and power installations.

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HOBOKEN, N.J. (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Washington Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:''WBNC'') Monday reported a consolidated net loss of $429,000, or 19 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared with net income of $244,000, or 11 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the consolidated net loss was $916,000, or 40 cents per share, as compared with net income of $618,000, or 27 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

In recognition of a continued soft real estate market and a slowed general economic climate in northern New Jersey, the company recorded a provision for losses on loans and real estate of approximately $1.2 million during the third quarter of 1990, as compared with a provision of $600,000 during the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept, 30, 1990, the company's provision for losses on loans and real estate totalled $2.6 million, a $900,000 increase over the same period in 1989. Of the $1.2 million third quarter 1990 provision, approximately $400,000 represented unrealized declines in the market value of other real estate owned (REO) and $800,000 was an increase in the allowance for loan losses.

Loan charge-offs, net of recoveries, totalled approximately $1.6 million during the recently ended quarter. At Sept. 30, 1990, the allowance for loan losses amounted to $2.3 million. Nonperforming assets consisted of nonperforming loans of $16.7 million and REO of $10.7 million, at Sept. 30, 1990.

The level of nonperforming assets continues to be a drain on the company's operations. At Dec. 31, 1989, REO totalled $7.7 million. During the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, $9.5 million of properties were added to the REO category, while $5.4 million were sold, and writedowns to market value totalled $1.1 million.

Washington Bancorp Inc. is the parent holding company of Washington Savings Bank, Hoboken. The company had consolidated total assets, deposits, and stockholders' equity of $341.7 million, $277.4 million, and $30.1 million, respectively, and a consolidated primary cpaital to assets ratio of approximately 9.1 percent at Sept. 30, 1990.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation (NYSE:COG) Monday reported net income applicable to common shareholders of $11.7 million, or $0.57 per common share, for the fiscal year ended September 30, 1990.

Net income for fiscal 1989 was $25.6 million, but reflected several non-recurring items, including a gain on sale of producing properties and the revenues attributable to such properties prior to sale. After adjusting for non-recurring items, earnings for fiscal 1989 were $2.3 million. There were no shares outstanding for the comparable 1989 period as Cabot became a publicly traded company in February 1990. Revenues for fiscal 1990 were $128.6 million, versus $149.4 million for 1989 (or $115.8 million after adjustments).

For the fourth quarter, ended September 30, 1990, Cabot Oil & Gas recorded a net loss of $534,000 or $0.08 per share. For the same quarter of 1989, earnings were $2.3 million. Excluding non-recurring items, the Company would have reported a net loss of $7.6 million for the 1989 fourth quarter.

The 1989 loss included significant charges for impairment of producing properties and unproved acreage, and plug and abandonments. Revenues for the final quarter of fiscal 1990 were $22.3 million, versus $22.4 million reported for the same quarter of fiscal 1989 (or $21.6 million as adjusted).

During 1990, the Company's average production per day was 111.5 MMcfe, representing an increase of 10.9 percent over the fiscal 1989 average daily production from retained properties. For the recent fiscal year, Cabot Oil & Gas had total production of 40.7 Bcfe.

Total natural gas sales for 1990 were 54.6 Bcf, an increase of 11.7% over the sales volume from retained properties and purchased gas for the prior fiscal year. Prices for the Company's Appalachian Basin gas averaged $2.57 per Mcf in fiscal 1990, $0.05 more than during the fiscal 1989 period. Anadarko Basin prices averaged $1.40 for 1990, representing a decline of $0.11 from last year. Overall, Cabot Oil & Gas obtained a weighted average price of $2.24 per Mcf, or $0.04 below the prices in effect in fiscal 1989.

Cabot Oil & Gas completed 132 wells in fiscal 1990, of which 129 were successful, representing a success ratio of 98%. A net of 28 Bcfe was added in 1990, bringing total proved reserves at September 30, 1990 to 744 Bcfe. Additions of proved reserves, excluding revisions, replaced production by 207% at a finding cost of $0.41 per Mcfe.

Cabot Oil & Gas recently filed a registration statement with the SEC relating to an exchange offer whereby the remaining shares of its stock currently owned by Cabot Corporation (NYSE:CBT) would be offered to Cabot Corporation shareholders. Cabot Corporation currently holds approximately 81% of the Class A common stock and all of the Class B common stock of Cabot Oil & Gas. After the transaction, Cabot Corporation will hold no Cabot Oil & Gas stock.

Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation is a leading domestic natural gas company headquartered in Houston, Texas. The company operates in the Appalachian and Anadarko Basins, where it has a total of 3,388 net productive wells and approximately 853,000 net developed acres and 931,000 undeveloped acres. Total proved reserves are 744 Bcfe, approximately 99% of which is natural gas.

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MORRISTOWN, NJ (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Computer Systems Monday expanded its networked computing capabilities with the introduction of the StarServer(TM) S and enhancements to its line of SNA host connectivity software.

The StarServer S is a powerful uniprocessor server based on the Intel(a) i486 microprocessor and Extended Industry Standard Architecture (EISA) bus. It will be exhibited at COMDEX/Fall '90 in Las Vegas.

''Today's announcements dramatize AT&T Computer Systems' commitment to offer the broadest range of servers, from 386 to the industry-leading symmetric multi-processor StarServer E, and into the RISC-based System 7000 and StarServer FT,'' said Scott Perry, vice president of marketing and strategy.

''Our servers, supported by UNIX(R) System V and StarGROUP(R) LAN Manager Server, offer customers an unmatched range of choices and provide an interoperability platform for a variety of desktop operating systems, including MS(a)-DOS, OS/2(a), UNIX and Macintosh(a), and traditional computing environments such as SNA.''

The StarServer S offers significant price/performance benefits over other machines in its class, Perry said. Running at 33 MHz and rated at 26.5 MIPS, it provides two to three times the raw computing power of a 386/33 MHz processor.

The company said the StarServer S can function as a server, a multi-user

processor or both simultaneously, a capability unique to AT&T's server product line. This enables customers to achieve maximum cost-effectiveness as they migrate from multi-user computing environments to client/server environments.

AT&T also enhanced its SNA host connectivity products, which enable users to access critical mainframe applications and information using the networked computers on their desktops. The StarGROUP SNA Gateway enables MS-DOS workstations to emulate IBM 3270 terminals and printers. It provides connectivity to SNA mainframe environments from AT&T StarGROUP LAN Manager Server networks. The release of StarGROUP SNA Gateway announced today offers enhanced security, support for diskless PCs, and options that optimize client PC memory. AT&T's Host Connectivity Software also now supports UNIX System V Release 4.0, the latest release of the system.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - A. Earl Swift, chairman and president of Swift Energy Co. (ASE/PSE:SFY) Monday announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

Consolidated earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $1,530,132 or 32 cents per share, increased 46 percent over earnings of $1,051,478, or 26 cents per share, for the corresponding 1989 period. Revenues for the quarter increased 50 percent to $4,778,039, from $3,181,509 recorded for the same period last year.

In the first nine months of 1990, consolidated earnings of $5,652,491, or $1.18 per share, increased 41 percent as compared to $4,021,261, or 99 cents per share, in the first nine months of 1989. Revenues for the nine month period were up 37 percent in 1990 to $15,263,511 from $11,156,544 for 1989.

Commenting on these results, Swift said, ''The company was able to achieve these results by posting increases in our three major lines of business which are strategic to continued growth and profitability. When compared to the first nine months of 1989, revenues from oil and gas sales increased 64 percent, earned interest and fees from partnerships and joint ventures increased 20 percent and well supervision fees increased 33 percent.

''Approximately 47 percent of the total revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were attributable to earned interest from the acquisition of producing

property interests by Swift Energy on behalf of its limited partnerships and a third party investor. The company continues to be an industry leader in the formation of limited partnerships organized for the purpose of acquiring and operating producing oil and gas properties.

''During the first nine months of 1990, nine partnerships were formed under the company's serialized public offerings with subscriptions totaling approximately $30 million. By comparison, subscriptions for the first nine months of 1989 were $34 million. The company continues to offer limited partner interests in partnerships to be formed in the future under three public programs.''

Swift Energy Co. is an independent oil and gas company primarily engaged in the acquisition, exploration, development and operation of oil and gas properties through partnerships and joint ventures. The company also offers directly, and through a majority owned subsidiary, geological consultation and prospect generation services.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Cooper Industries Inc. (NYSE:CBE) announced that First Chicago Trust Co. of New York has been appointed as transfer agent, registrar and dividend disbursing agent for Cooper's common stock and $1.60 convertible exchangeable preferred stock, effective Monday.

First Chicago also will serve as plan administrator of Cooper's dividend reinvestment plan, as well as the rights agent for its Shareholder Rights Plan and Preferred Share Rights Plan.

Inquiries from shareholders regarding their accounts should be directed to the following address:

First Chicago Trust Co. of New York P. O. Box 3981, Church Street Station New York, N.Y. 10008-3981

Telephone inquiries can be referred to First Chicago's Telephone Response Center at (212) 791-6422, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., ET.

Cooper Industries, with 1989 revenues of $5.1 billion, is a diversified, worldwide manufacturer of electrical products, electrical power equipment,

tools and hardware, automotive products, and petroleum and industrial equipment.

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VALENCIA, CA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - 3-D Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: TDSSF and VSE:TDS.V) announced sales of $7,208,019 (all figures are in U.S. dollars) vs. $5,526,143 for the corresponding period a year earlier.

The company recorded a profit for the quarter of $14,722 (or $.00 per share) vs. a profit of $358,108 (or $0.04 per share) in 1989.

For the first nine months, the company reported a profit of $544,506 (or $0.04 per share), as compared to a loss of $2,377,717 (or $0.24 per share) the previous year. Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $21,463,059 vs. $10,835,238 the previous year. Backlog at the end of the third quarter was approximately $5,600,000.

Raymond S. Freed, CEO of 3-D said: ''While the profit of $14,722 was somewhat less than anticipated, there was an increase in sales, which we view as a positive development in view of general business conditions. One of the reasons for this was a drop in gross margins attributable to the start up and on-site testing costs of starting production of the SLA-500, our newest and most advanced machine. Gross margins should improve to plan as we begin production deliveries of the SLA-500.

''Having said that, we must also point out that present economic conditions and general uncertainty have caused many companies to postpone buying decisions, thus lengthening the sales cycle. Although we are optimistic in the long run and are presently seeing more companies than ever before considering our technology, we do not anticipate any significant change in the market or in the psychology of potential customers for some time.''

3-D Systems Inc. is the Canadian parent company of 3D Systems Inc., a California company formed in March, 1986 to develop, manufacture and market equipment which produces plastic models from solid modeling CAD data. The company's StereoLithography process currently utilizes an ultra-violet laser beam which passes over a vat of liquid polymer, hardening the liquid wherever the beam impinges on the liquid, so that it creates a solid, three-dimensional object which conforms exactly to the stored computer design.

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STURBRIDGE, MASS (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Galileo Electro-Optics Corp. announced that revenues for both the fourth quarter of FY 1990 and the entire year were up compared to the same periods in 1989.

Operating profit and net income were up for the quarter vs. the fourth quarter of 1989 but declined on a year to year basis.

Sales for the fourth quarter and FY 1990 were $10,894,000 and $41,343,000, an increase from the previous year of 14.6 percent and 9.8 percent, respectively. Operating profit for the fourth quarter 1990 was $921,000 while an operating loss of $538,000 was incurred for the entire year. This compares to operating profits of $396,000 and $1,758,000 for the prior fourth quarter and fiscal year 1989, respectively.

Net income for the fourth quarter and FY 1990 were $1,014,000 and $293,000 vs. $615,000 and $2,056,000 in the same respective periods of FY 1989. Earnings per share for the fourth quarter and FY 1990 were $.16 and $.05 vs. $.10 and $.33 in the same respective periods in FY 1989. The weighted average outstanding shares increased from 6,269,361 in 1989 to 6,290,481 in 1990.

Sales, which set a new record, improved in FY 1990 in both of the company's major product lines with Fiberoptic Products sales up 6.6 percent and Channel Electron Multiplier sales up 14.6 percent. Sales of Fused Fiberoptic Products, which are primarily used in military night vision systems, were down. However sales of Reprographic Products continued to be strong and more than offset the sales decline of Fused Fiberoptic Products.

Galileo develops, manufactures and markets fiberoptic and electro-optic components which transmit, sense or intensify light or images. Galileo's products are sold primarily to original equipment manufacturers for use in military night vision devices, scientific and analytical instruments and a variety of commercial applications, such as photocopying equipment, radiological diagnostic equipment and industrial endoscopes.

The company's stock is traded on the over-the-counter market with the symbol GAEO.

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MACON, GA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - In one of the largest single land transactions in recent years, Southeast Timberlands Inc. has acquired 185,000

acres of land in northwest Florida.

This tract, known as Pine Coast Plantation, is the largest single tract of land east of the Mississippi to be owned by one company. The land is valued in excess of $100 million.

''In this uncertain time of real estate, we're confident that this acquisition is a positive move for us,'' said Jewett Tucker, president of Southeast Timberlands. ''Its location and proximity to the coast present many unique possibilities for development.''

After nearly a year of research and negotiations with the tract's former owners -- Procter & Gamble -- the land purchase was consummated on Thursday, Nov. 1.

''Plans call for resale of certain parcels for timberland management,'' Tucker said. ''Additionally, we will be working to divide the property for a number of uses, including a hunting preserve and exclusive 'plantation' areas such as those in Tallahassee, Fla.; Thomasville, Ga.; and along the South Carolina coast.''

The property is bounded on the north by the Apalachicola National Forest, on the south by the Gulf of Mexico and several north Florida rivers, including the Ochlockonee, the New and the Apalachicola. It is located in the coastal plains area of Florida.

Initial plans call for 20,000 acres for a private hunting preserve and 80,000 acres for timberland management. Located 35 miles southwest of Tallahassee, the capital of Florida, the tract is across the bay from the St. George Island resort area and Apalachicola Bay.

''Southeast Timberlands will develop a conceptual master plan for Pine Coast Plantation,'' Tucker said. ''With a tract this large we'll have plenty of room for a number of possibilities.''

Macon-based Southeast Timberlands currently owns a number ofland parcels in the Southeast, concentrated in South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. The firm, founded in 1978, specializes in timberland management and handles all aspects of pre-development in real estate.

The company is also involved in the development of a retail/commercial venture in Middle Georgia and owns the planned residential and golf community Grove Pointe in Macon.

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BOSTON (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - State Street Bank and Trust Co. announced Monday that George A. Russell Jr. will rejoin State Street as senior vice president and head of Community Affairs on Nov. 26.

For the past two years, Russell has been president of Freedom National Bank, in New York City, the nation's third largest African-American-owned bank. From 1984-1988, he served as treasurer of the City of Boston. Prior to that, Russell was a vice president at State Street, where he worked in the Commercial Lending area from 1974-1984.

As head of State Street's Community Affairs Division, Russell will coordinate the Bank's community development activities, including the Boston Housing Partnership. In addition, he will manage press communications and direct the activities of the State Street Foundation, which makes contributions to programs that respond to a range of issues and needs in Greater Boston.

''State Street is a leader, not only in its businesses but in its efforts to make the Boston community a better place to live and work,'' said Russell. ''Bill Edgerly and State Street were pioneers in the formation of public/private partnerships in Boston, and I'm happy that I'll be a part of those important efforts.''

Russell graduated from Boston Technical High School in 1967. He earned an AB degree from Clark University in 1972 and an MBA from New York University in 1974. He is married and has one child.

State Street Bank and Trust Co. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of State Street Boston Corp. With more than $800 billion in assets under custody and $59 billion in assets under management, State Street is a leading servicer of financial assets worldwide.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. and Gruntal & Co. Incorporated announced the offering of the Mortgage Securities Trust, CMO Series I.

Mortgage Securities Trust is the first of a series of unit investment trusts

by the sponsors which were created to obtain safety of capital while achieving a high level of current distributions of interest income. In addition to a continuing stream of a return of principal, the trust should feature a higher yield than fixed income investments with a comparable AAA rating by investing in the shorter end of the collateralized mortgage obligations (CMOs) market. The offering is made by prospectus only.

The trust contains an underlying portfolio by CMOs which offer attractive yields and spreads to Treasuries relative to alternative, AAA rated fixed income investments. CMO spreads to Treasuries, depending on the type of tranche, should compare very favorably to CDs and corporate bonds. These spreads are currently in the 60-150 basis point range to compensate the investor for prepayment risk.

Units of the trust are rated AAA by Standard & Poor's. This is the highest rating assigned to securities issued by a unit investment trust. In addition, FHMA, FHLMC, or GNMA guarantee the payment of principal and interest on the underlying MBS collateralizing each of the CMOs in the portfolio. The units of the trust, however, are not themselves guaranteed by these institutions. Unlike Treasuries, these unit trusts are subject to state and local taxes which will reduce the benefit of the spread relative to Treasuries, to individuals with state and local taxes.

This is a new investment opportunity for individual investors. The CMO Portfolio intends to purchase high-yielding CMOs of types generally available to the institutional market, for convenient access to individual investors. In the sponsors' opinion, this investment product will bridge that gap for individual investors.

Bear Stearns and Gruntal offer unit trusts under the name of Municipal Securities Trust, MST, a family of funds which includes insured discounts, insured full coupons, discount nationals, full coupon nationals, New York Muni Trusts and Multi State Series trusts, and the Navigator Special State Series. The Mortgate Securities Trust, CMO Series is the firm's first unit trust to offer mortgage securities.

Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. (NYSE:BSC), is a leading investment banking and brokerage firm headquartered in New York City. The company is engaged in corporate finance, mergers and acquisitions, institutional equities, fixed income sales and trading, individual investor services, asset management and correspondent clearing. With total capital, including long-term and subordinated debt, of over $1.4 billion, the company has approximately 5550 employees located in 13 offices worldwide.

Gruntal & Co. Inc., a full service national investment firm established in 1880, is proud of its 110 year history of service to the individual investor.

Gruntal offers a full line of financial products and services and has over thirty offices nationwide. Investors & Broker Dealers are reminded that this Trust is registered under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Investment Company Act of 1940 and that a formal offering can only be made by a prospectus.

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FAIRMONT, WV (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - CB&T Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:CBTF) announced Monday that for the third quarter Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $1,227,000, or 34 cents per share vs. $1,212,000 or 34 cents per share for the same period a year ago.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was a record $3,880,000 or $1.07 per share vs. $3,641,000 or $1.01 per share for the year earlier period.

Per share figures are adjusted for a three-for-two stock split in the form of a 50 percent stock dividend paid April 15, 1990.

CB&T Financial Corp. is a regional multibank holding company providing a comprehensive menu of trust, banking, and investment services in north-central West Virginia.

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FARMINGDALE, NY (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Media Development Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ:MDIL) announced Monday that the expiration date of the company's redeemable warrants will be extended from Nov. 11, 1990 to Nov. 12, 1991.

The exercise price of the warrants are $1.60 and are redeemable by the company upon 30-days prior written notice.

The company is engaged in the manufacture, production and distribution of blank and prerecorded magnetic media (videocassettes) and provides videocassettes duplication services.

The company is also engaged in the production, syndication and broadcasting and graphic and visual communications. In addition, the company produces and distributes original and licensed video productions.

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FARMINGDALE, N.Y. (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Media Development Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ:MDIL) announced Monday that the expiration date of the company's redeemable warrants will be extended from Nov. 11, 1990 to Nov. 12, 1991.

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COHASSET, MA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Cohasset Savings Bank (NASDAQ:CHTB) Monday reported a loss of $393,000, or 39 cents per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, after significant write-offs of questionable loans and a $500,000 provision for possible loan losses.

For the 1989 third quarter, the bank had reported net income of $98,000, or 10 cents per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the bank showed a loss of $416,000, or 41 cents per share, compared with net income of $305,000, or 31 cents per share, for the 1989 period.

The bank wrote off $507,000 in questionable loans and provided an amount sufficient to increase the allowance for possible loan losses to $524,000.

Deposits again increased during the quarter, reaching a record of $52,920,000, compared with $49,210,000 at the end of 1989. At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $65,749,000 and stockholders' equity was $11,825,000.

Damage to the bank's Bound Brook Office in North Scituate, due to a fire on Oct. 4, 1990, was covered by insurance and will have no material effect on financial results. During the reconstruction period, branch operations are continuing in the office of a former bank in North Scituate.

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CONCORD, MA and CHERTSEY, SURREY, ENGLAND (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad Inc. announced Monday the signing of a sales and marketing distribution agreement with Amtest Associates Ltd., the largest and most experienced Automatic Test Equipment (ATE) sales representative organization operating in Eastern Europe.

Under the terms of the pact, GenRad granted Amtest exclusive rights to market, distribute and support GenRad's Automatic Test Equipment and Electronic Design Automation products in the Soviet Union, Poland, Bulgaria, Romania, Hungary, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia. Together, GenRad and Amtest will market products in Yugoslavia.

Amtest, established in 1973, maintains local representative offices in all of those countries, with the exception of Romania. These include an executive service center in Moscow. Distinct from other firms acting only as agents of opportunity in the East, Amtest has a demonstrated record of sales, distribution, product promotion, including trade show sponsorship and technical product support on-site. Also Amtest will install GenRad's products for its customers and provide warranty service and post-warranty support.

Robert E. Anderson, GenRad's president and chief executive officer, said, ''This agreement represents a renewal of the relationship between GenRad and Amtest that was terminated when regulations promulgated by the Coordination Committee for Multilateral Export Control (COCOM) went into effect a decade ago. Amtest has an excellent reputation for serving its customers in the East.

''We resume a partnership that was mutually beneficial to GenRad, to Amtest, and to our customers. We have chosen to approach this significant market via this sales representative route rather than by establishing a direct sales network because it gives us a fast, effective means to penetrate this important market.''

Roy A. Kennedy, Amtest's managing director, said, ''We look for partnerships with companies in the areas of ATE, instrumentation, production equipment and surface mount technology that demonstrate either market share leadership or best-in-class technology. GenRad qualifies on both counts as a value-added supplier to our accounts in Eastern Europe.

Earlier this year GenRad announced that it was the first ATE company to receive COCOM license approval to sell semiconductor test equipment in Eastern Europe since the invasion of Afghanistan in 1980.

GenRad Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems and automatic test equipment, to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing, and process quality management. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its trading symbol is GEN.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Encore Computer Corp. announced Monday the industry's most complete real-time UNIX environment, UMAX V.

This offering is a component of Encore's total software architecture that encompasses the entire spectrum of real-time requirements.

UMAX V is an absolutely standard real-time UNIX implementation of AT&T's System V.3.2 and outperforms today's proprietary ''Real-Time UNIX'' operating systems.

Bill Avery, vice president and general manager, Product Operations for Encore stated, ''We are expanding our commitment to our current customer base by providing real-time UNIX and Guest Operating systems. These systems provide industry firsts such as asynchronous pre-emptive kernels, multiprocessing and POSIX compliant threads.

Encore Computer Corp., an international company headquartered in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., provides cost-effective computer systems solutions for time-critical applications. Encore manufactures three families of parallel and distributed computer systems: the Encore 90, CONCEPT/32, and Multimax, and has a $1 billion installed base of over 8,000 systems worldwide.

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BALTIMORE (NOV.5) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Worldwide Value Fund Inc. (NYSE:VLU) Monday announced a new dividend policy under which the fund would make annual, instead of quarterly, distributions of its net investment income and net capital gains, if any, to the extent necessary for the fund to avoid tax on such amounts.

This replaces the previous policy of distributing amounts equal to an annual rate of 10 percent of the closed-end fund's average net assets.

The change reflects the board's desire to reduce the administrative costs associated with paying quarterly dividends and to eliminate the potential of a return of capital distribution to the shareholders.

Worldwide Value Fund Inc. was formed in 1986. It is advised and administered by Lombard Odier International Portfolio Management Ltd. of London and Legg Mason Fund Advisor Inc. of Baltimore. The value-oriented fund's investment strategy is now focused on Europe, where currently 59 percent of its portfolio is invested, including 15 percent in Italy, 12 percent in Spain and 11 percent in the United Kingdom.

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CORAL GABLES, FL (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Hovercraft Inc., the Miami-based transportation company proposing intrastate hovercraft service, has requested a position on the Dec. 6 agenda of the Miami City Commission to seek approval on the construction of a $2 million terminal facility at the FEC site in downtown Miami.

The Waterfront Advisory Board has recommended both the project and site to the Commission. No alternative use of the property has yet been determined. The proposed terminal facility will provide for normal passenger requirements and space has been projected for use of Customs should foreign routes necessitate such service. Private funding has been budgeted for construction of the terminal site with City ownership provided for with reversionary clauses.

U.S. Hovercraft has endeavored to work with the Office of the City Manager throughout the development of this project, and plans to present the findings of their five-year research and development project on Dec. 6 to demonstrate the tremendous impact the service will have on tourism in South Florida.

"Mass transit using Surface Effect Vehicles is long overdue for introduction to U.S. markets," stated W.R. Rinz, U.S. Hovercraft president and chief

executive officer.

"Application of this technology will allow us to provide fast, first-class, comfortable and affordable water transportation between Miami and Tampa/St. Pete to Key West by 1992."

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MADISON, GA. (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Wellington Leisure Products Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:WLPI) Monday announced results for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales were $16,709,000, compared with net sales of $17,210,000 in the first quarter last year.

The company reported a net loss of $18,000, or 0 cent per share, compared with income of $982,000, or 22 cents per share, last year.

Commenting on the results, William R. O'Dell, chairman of the board and president, said: ''Unabsorbed manufacturing overhead in our seasonal product lines, including the Casad and America's Cup acquisitions made in mid-year last year, were the primary reasons for the decrease in earnings for the quarter.

''Sales in our primary market, the water recreational area, continue to reflect the soft water recreational boating market. Until we see improvement in this market, results for fiscal 1991 will likely be below those of a year ago.''

The board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per share payable Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 20, 1990.

Wellington Leisure Products Inc. is a leading U.S. manufacturer of leisure activity products, water recreational products and cordage. The company's products include Maxwell handicrafts; Plantation Works hammocks, lawn, garden and patio accessories; Tink's Safariland Hunting Scents, York Sports and Ol' Timer's hunting and fishing equipment; Taperflex, Cut 'N Jump, Ski-Master and America's Cup water ski, floatation jackets and related accessories; boating and swimming pool accessories; Wellington Puritan rope and twine for retail consumers; and Rhino Ropes cordage products for industrial and commercial users.

CONTACT: Wellington Leisure Products, Madison
Andrew G. Postnieks, 404/342-1916

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#90309b0802 11/05/1990 ~Business Wire

METHUEN, Mass. (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Parlex Corp. Monday reported the results of its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the period were $8,098,504 compared to $7,214,452 last year, an increase of 12 percent, while the loss before taxes this quarter were $151,462 versus $311,902 in the comparable period last year, an improvement of over 50 percent, and a 72 percent improvement over the loss of $543,266 reported in the immediately preceding quarter. The net loss in this quarter, with a provision for taxes of $2,980, was $154,442, or 7 cents per share, while last year, after tax credits of $121,650, the net loss was $190,252, or 8 cents per share.

The backlog at the end of the quarter was $17.5 million compared to $14 million a year ago and $17.0 million at the end of the last fiscal year.

Herbert W. Pollack, president, stated, ''The Methuen Division returned to profitability in the quarter and the loss was solely attributable to the Nevada subsidiary. Further costs reductions have been made in Nevada during the second quarter to account for a lower level of expected annual sales than initially anticipated for that division.''

Parlex is a leader in the design and manufacture of interconnection and packaging products for semiconductors and electronic components. Its custom product line of flexible printed circuits and flexible-rigid multilayers (Flexilayers) can include the assembly of surface mount components. Parlex also manufactures custom laminated cable and complex rigid multilayer circuits. Its facilities are located in Methuen, Mass.; Salem, N.H. and Carson City, Nev.

Parlex is unique in the industry for its ability to provide a complete range of services for its entire product line, including CAD design, manufacturing, assembly and computerized testing. These cost-effective, versatile, reliable and innovative products are sold to original equipment manufacturers in the computer, communications, military-aerospace, medical, automotive and other industrial electronics industries.

CONTACT: Parlex, Methuen Jill Kutchin, 508/685-4341

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#90309b0803 11/05/1990 ~Business Wire

MARLBORO, MASS. (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Data Translation announces availability of new, high performance PC AT bus and VME bus compatible processor boards from mulitple vendors, all utilizing the Data Translation

DT-Connect interface specification.

These vendors are: Ariel Corp. (Highland Park, N.J.); CSP Inc. (Billerica, Mass.); Alacron Inc. (Nashua, N.H.); Scientific Applications International Corp. (San Diego, Calif.); Mercury Computer Systems Inc. (Lowell, Mass.) Atlanta Signal Processors Inc. (Atlanta, Ga.); Valley Enterprises Inc. (Tamaqua, Penn.); Sky Computers (Chemlsford, Mass.), and SKALAR Computer, GmbH (Gottingen, Germany). Additionally, Data Translation designs data acquisition and image processing boards incorporating DT-Connect, and has recently introduced a new DSP-based advanced processor, the DT2878, a DT-Connect compatible PC
AT board.

DT-Connect is Data Translation's open bus interface which performs data transfers at real-time rates, thus eliminating the need to transfer data across the PC AT bus for processing. This speeds data transfer from data acquisition boards and frame grabbers to a processor board while freeing the PC to perform other host operations (graphics, for example) concurrently.
DT-Connect Breaks the Bottleneck for Data Transfers

The DT-Connect Interface Specification completely eliminates the need to use both the host bus and the host processor for data transfers.

DT-Connect is an open, public interface specification, introduced in July, 1987. The DT-Connect Overview Manual, available free of charge to anyone, contains the comprehensive technical discription. Delivery is immediate.

Data Translation is a world leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of high performance image processing, data acquisition, and array processing computer boards and software.

CONTACT: Data Translation, Marlboro
Anne Marie Flynn, 508/481-3700, ext.555
or
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-30- 2185
#90309b0805 11/05/1990 ~Business Wire
ALAMEDA, CA (OCT. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Hana Biologics Inc. (NASDAQ:HANA) Monday reported first quarter revenues for the period ending Sept. 30 of $824,000, down 39 percent from revenues of $1,350,000 in the comparable quarter of last year.

This expected reduction in revenues reflects the company's transition form marketing and selling its own products to contract manufacturing.

After divesting its cell biology and diagnostic product lines in September

1989, Hana contracted with the purchaser as exclusive manufacturer of the products until March 1991. There, contract manufacturing accounted for all revenues in the quarter ending Sept. 30.

The company posted a net loss of $1,566,000, or 23 cents per share, for the recently-completed quarter, vs. net income of $9,474,000, or 85 cents per share, in the same period of the prior fiscal year. Net income in fiscal 1990 reflects a gain on the sale of the cell biology and diagnostic product lines.

Absent the gain, the income tax incurred on the gain, and an expenditure of $1,640,000 as a result of a restructuring which also occurred during the first quarter of fiscal 1990, the company would have had a net loss $1,478,000, or 22 cents per share.

Total costs and expenses, net of restructuring costs, decreased 15 percent from $3,132,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1990 to $2,675,000 in fiscal 1991.

The change is due to the company's transition as the exclusive contract manufacturer of the divested cell biology and diagnostic product lines, the absence of marketing expenses after the sale of the product lines, and lower research and development costs due to a reorganization during the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Hana Biologics Inc. is a biotechnology company focusing on cell based drug delivery systems utilizing mammalian cells. Research and development programs center primarily on the isolation, characterization and differentiation of specific cells for the treatment of chronic diseases such as diabetes, Parkinson's disease and hemophilia.

CONTACT: Hana Biologics Inc., Alameda
Sylvia Wheeler, 415/748-3041.

-30- 2292

#90309b0809 11/05/1990 ~Business Wire

CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Cayman Systems Inc., the leading provider of Macintosh networking solutions, Monday announced the immediate availability of its GatorBox AppleTalk-Ethernet gateway with version 1.6 software, and GatorPrint, an application that provides UNIX-to-AppleTalk printing.

Both products increase the functionality of Macintosh and Ethernet networks. The new 1.6 software improves performance substantially, with typical routing speeds that are 90 percent faster than earlier versions.

''Beta users of GatorBox 1.6 have been impressed with its increased speed and reliability,'' said Ted Stabler, cofounder and president of Cayman Systems.

''With this new release, comparative speed is no longer an issue since the GatorBox 1.6 is now the top performance AppleTalk-Ethernet gateway,''he added.

Cayman Systems develops products that enable Macintosh UNIX, DEC, PC, and Sun users in small and large organizations on entire Macintosh networks to communicate easily with each other. GatorBox 1.6 is a gateway which connects LocalTalk to Ethernet. It is unique in its ability to act as an application gateway. With Cayman Systems' optional network, software, GatorShare and GatorPrint, the GatorBox translates the standard network protocols that let Macintosh and UNIX users transparently share files and printers.

Instead of requiring new training, the GatorBox with GatorShare or GatorPrint eliminates the need for learning new commands or installing coplex network protocols. Macintosh and UNIX users can exchange information using native protocols.

Network managers and users benefit from GatorBox 1.6 because it is fast and easy to install and use. Increased Productivity

GatorBox 1.6 routes files 90 percent faster than earlier versions. As an AppleTalk router, the GatorBox now allows Macintosh and other users to share files, peripherals and printers more quickly.

GatorBox connects different physical media, facilitating communication between nodes on AppleTalk and Ethernet on dissimilar networks. It fully supports Phase I and Phase II AppleTalk on LocalTalk and Ethertalk and provides an upgrade configuration between the two.

Cayman Systems Inc., founded in 1987 and based in Cambridge, Mass., is a leading developer of reliable, high performance network gateways. Its products include GatorBox, Cayman Systems' AppleTalk-Ethernet gateway; GatorShare, software that runs on the GatorBox and provides NFS file sharing to Macintosh users; GatorPrint, which allows UNIX users access to AppleTalk network printers; GatorMail, a software mail gateway; and GatorCard E/II, the fastest Ethernet card for the Macintosh II family of computers.

CONTACT: Cayman Systems Inc., Cambridge
Eric Janszen, 617/494-1999
or
The Weber Group, Cambridge
Marijean Lauzier or Mona K. Pohl, 617/494-1520

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#90309b0814 11/05/1990 ~Business Wire

BIRMINGHAM, AL (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Protective Life Corp. (NASDAQ:PROT) declared a quarterly dividend of 19 cents per share to be paid Dec. 1, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business on

Nov. 16, 1990.

CONTACT: Protective Life Corp., Birmingham
Jerry W. DeFoor, 205/868-3515.

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NORWALK, CT (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - First National Realty Associates Inc., headquartered in Norwalk, announced Monday that it has reached an agreement in principle to purchase Gribin Von Dyl Realtors of Sherman Oaks, Calif., according to Jay N. Torok, chairman and chief executive officer.

''We are looking forward to adding a quality firm like Gribin Von Dyl to the First National Realty family of companies,'' stated Torok, chairman and chief executive officer of First National Realty Associates Inc., ''and feel the fine Gribin Von Dyl reputation and First National Realty's resources will enable us to provide outstanding real estate services for our clients in and around San Fernando Valley.

Gribin Von Dyl Realtors, which was founded in 1950, maintains five branch offices and 300 sales associates, serving the San Fernando Valley area of Southern California.

The acquisition brings First National Realty to a total of 58 branch offices and 1,500 sales associates in the company.

In addition to Gribin Von Dyl, First National Realty is also the parent company of Los Angeles-based Ramsey-Shilling Inc., and Dipple Realty.

First National Realty is a national residential real estate brokerage company founded in 1988, with operations in Northern and Southern California; Fairfield County, Conn.; Houston; Atlanta; and Boca Raton and Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

CONTACT: First National Realty, Norwalk
John DiCenzo, 203/854-0660 (business) or
203/372-8618, (home).

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JACKSONVILLE, FLA. (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Corporate Data Sciences Inc. (Pacific Stock Exchange symbol ''CDS'') announced Monday that effective Oct. 31, 1990 it has extended the expiration date of its Class A Common Stock Purchase Warrants from Nov. 14, 1990 to Nov. 14, 1992.

CDS had previously reduced the exercise price of the Warrants from $6.00 per

share to $4.90 per share.

The Warrants were issued in connection with the Issuer's initial public offering in March 1984, and were originally to have expired on March 21, 1986. The company had previously extended the expiration date of the Warrants to Nov. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Corporate Data Sciences Inc., Jacksonville
Michael W. Carrender, 904/296-8638

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#90309b0822 11/05/1990 ~Business Wire

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Lincoln National Corp. reported Monday that third-quarter income from operations was $54.8 million, a 17 percent increase over the third quarter of 1989.

The increase was primarily a result of increased earnings from the employee benefits segment. Earnings from the investment products segment were also up, while property-casualty earnings were down.

The 1990 third quarter also included net realized investment losses of $16.7 million, so that total net income was $38.1 million. Total net income in the third quarter of 1989 was $64.8 million which included $17.9 million of net realized investment gains. On a per share basis, net income for the quarter was $.86, versus $1.46 a year ago.

Lincoln National also reported that as a result of capital transactions during the year, significant reductions have been made in corporate debt. According to Ian M. Rolland, president and chief executive officer, the ratio of debt and debt equivalents to total capital was reduced from 32.5 percent at Dec. 31 1989, to 25.7 percent as of Sept. 30, 1990.

HMO/Indemnity Earnings Increase

Employee Life-Health Benefits earnings featured a strong performance in the managed care employee benefits market. Indemnity earnings increased to $17.8 million, as compared with $7.5 million for the like period a year ago. Earnings from health maintenance organizations increased to $1.3 million from $1.0 million in 1989.

''This is a very competitive business and we are showing a steady improvement in our results,'' Rolland said. ''Our managed health care strategy is proving to be a more cost-effective way to deliver quality health care.'' P/C Earnings Decline

In the property-casualty area, consolidated earnings for the quarter were $16.6 million. This compares with $19.1 million in 1989, after excluding $8

million in earnings from a property-casualty reinsurance affiliate sold in April 1990. Rolland said the primary reason for the decline was the continuing deterioration in the property-casualty business cycle.

Investment Products Continue Growth

Earnings from investment products for the quarter totaled $15.4 million, up from $12.6 million last year. Annuity and pension assets under management grew to $12.6 billion, up 24 percent from $10.2 billion the previous year.

Earnings for Lincoln National's individual life segment were $11.2 million, compared with $12.3 million a year ago while life-health reinsurance reported continued strong earnings of $11.6 million, up from $10.9 million in 1989.

Lincoln National Corp. (NYSE:LNC), with headquarters in Fort Wayne, is the nation's seventh largest multiline insurance holding company with assets totaling more than $26 billion and annual revenues exceeding $8 billion.

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORPORATION
Digest of Earnings
3rd Quarter Ended September 30

	1990	1989
Net Income Per Share	$ 0.86	$ 1.46
Net Income In Dollars	$ 38,089,000	$ 64,787,000
Total Revenue	$2,004,795,000	$1,869,981,000
Average Number of Shares	44,047,474	41,950,071

CONTACT: Lincoln National Corp., Fort Wayne Scott Bushnell, 219/455-7512 Bob Jones, 219/455-3208

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JACKSONVILLE, FLA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Koger Properties Inc. (NYSE:KOG) reported funds from real estate operations, excluding property sales, of $10,226,000 for the second quarter ended Sept. 30.

This is down slightly from the $10,523,000 reported for the like quarter last year.

For the six-month period, funds from real estate operations, excluding gains from sales, were $21 million, compared to $23 million a year ago.

Sales of buildings to Koger Equity amounted to $30.2 million in this quarter, compared to $86.1 million in the like quarter a year ago. Due primarily to the reduced sales, total funds from operations declined this year from last.

Since April 1, the beginning of the fiscal year, the average occupancy of the

buildings owned or managed by the company has increased from 90 percent to 93 percent, with the addition of new leases totalling approximately 600,000 square feet.

The average occupancy of the buildings owned by Koger Properties, including those in initial lease-up, increased from 84 percent to 88 percent in the last six months.

Commenting on the results, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Ira M. Koger said: ''The company is meeting the challenges of the new economic environment for real estate in a comprehensive and professional way.

''We expect to preserve our historically high occupancy levels and to increase our rent stream, while continuing to provide outstanding service to our tenants. The company is reducing its overhead and operating costs and debt.''

Koger Properties owns and manages 36 office parks in 23 cities in the Southeast and Southwest.

CONTACT: Koger Properties Inc., Jacksonville, John Rodgers, 904/396-4811

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#90309b0832 11/05/1990 ~Business Wire

HOUSTON (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Serv-Tech Inc. (NASDAQ:STEC) announced that it has been awarded a contract by Star Enterprise for a major revamp of its fluid catalytic cracker No. 3 unit at the Port Arthur, Texas, refinery.

Preliminary work will begin immediately, with a scheduled completion date of April 1991. The contract, which exceeds $7 million, involves the removal of the existing regenerator head, along with 39 cyclones, and the installation of the new head.

Richard W. Krajicek, president, stated that award of this contract confirms Serv-Tech's position as a major provider of specialized maintenance services to the hydrocarbon processing industry. With this contract, Serv-Tech backlog is higher than at any time in its history.

Serv-Tech provides specialty maintenance services to the refining, petrochemical and gas processing industries throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Serv-Tech Inc., Houston
John M. Slack, 713/644-9974.

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JACKSONVILLE, FLA (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Enviroq Corp. (NASDAQ:EROQ)

announced record revenues of $10.27 million for the six-month period ended Sept. 30 as compared with revenues of $9.51 million for the like period last year, an increase of 8 percent.

Net income for the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $533,000 (14 cents/share) as compared with $627,000 (16 cents/share) for the like period last year, a decrease of 15 percent.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $5.06 million and net income was $298,000 (8 cents/share) as compared with revenues of $5.78 million and net income of $522,000 (13 cents/share) for the like period last year, decreases of 12 percent and 43 percent, respectively.

Enviroq Corp. is engaged primarily in the business of protecting the environment by solving infrastructure problems in water and wastewater systems for industry and government.

Through its wholly owned subsidiary Insituform Southeast Inc., the company is the exclusive licensee of the Insituform Process in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina and is the leading supplier of non-disruptive pipeline reconstruction and repair in those states.

In addition, the company owns 42.5 percent of Insituform Midsouth, a general partnership that is the exclusive licensee of the Insituform Process in Tennessee, most of Kentucky, and northern Mississippi.

CONTACT: Enviroq Corp., William Long, 205/251-2400 (Birmingham, Ala.)

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#90309b0861 11/05/1990 ~Business Wire

MONTGOMERY, AL (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The Enstar Group Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol: ENST) announced that on Friday, Nov. 2nd, it filed suit in the state court in Montgomery, against Richard J. Grassgreen and Perry Mendel, both former officers and directors of the company.

The suit seeks an accounting and damages for asserted breaches of their duties to the company and recovery of trebled damages for fraud against the company. The company seeks to impose a constructive trust over benefits received by Messrs. Grassgreen and Mendel from the company subsequent to their misconduct.

On Oct. 23, 1990, Grassgreen agreed to plead guilty to two criminal counts of fraud involving certain of the transactions that are the subject of the suit and agreed to disgorge profits on these transactions to the company. Because these matters are now before the Court, the company will not comment further on the litigation.

CONTACT: The Enstar Group Inc., Montgomery, Dee Russell, (205) 270-7100.

-30- 1170

#90309b0865 11/05/1990 ~Business Wire

WALTHAM, MASS (NOV. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Bitstream Inc. of Cambridge, Mass. and Edsun Laboratories of Waltham, Mass. have announced a strategic development agreement to integrate Bitstream Speedo scaling technology and outline fonts with Edsun's Continuous Edge Graphics (CEG) technology for VGA screen displays.

This combination of technology promises to dramatically improve the rendering of outline fonts on inexpensive VGA computer displays, particularly those running Windows 3.0 or applications with other graphical user interfaces.

These two technologies--CEG and Speedo-can be jointly implemented by OEMs. Manufacturers of VGA-based PCs and VGA controllers will be among the first OEMs to implement this strategy. Edsun has built CEG technology into a family of video integrated circuits called CEG/DACs. These chips, first announced in August 1990, are used in VGA graphics boards and IBM-compatible personal computers to improve overall screen resolution and color display capabilities. Bitstream Speedo is a compact and very fast program for scaling outline fonts and creating high-quality fonts for screen displays and printers.

Edsun will demonstrate Bitstream Speedo font scaling code embedded within a Windows 3.0 VGA screen driver used in conjunction with a CEG/DAC-equipped PC at the upcoming Fall COMDEX show in Las Vegas (booth no.W804) The Speedo-generated bitmaps will be processed by Edsun's CEG technolgy, resulting in antialiased (grayscale) VGA output of exceptional quality.

Edsun Laboratories Inc. is a privately-held company headquartered in Waltham, Mass, that specializes in the development of Visual Performance semiconductor products for IBM-compatible personal computers. Edsun products are used by OEMs and system manufacturers worldwide.

An industry leader in typographic quality and innovative technology, Bitstream licenses fonts and related software to more than 370 hardware manufacturers and software developers worldwide. Its line of end-user font products of the IBM and Macintosh environments are distributed by an extensive network of dealers in the United States and in 18 foreign countries.

CONTACT: Bitstream Inc., Cambridge, Catherine Hartley, 617/497-6222 or Edsun Laboratories, Waltham, Myron Kassaraba, 617/647-9300

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#90309c0002 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:27 that trade in National Techteam Inc.(NASDAQ: TEAM) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 17/32, 21/32. The company is located in Deerborn, MI.

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STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in Neiman-Marcus Group Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol NMG.

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#90309c0004 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:41 that trade in General Cinema Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol GCN

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#90309c0005 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:42 that trade in Eagle Picher Industries Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol EPI.

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#90309c0006 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:14 that trade in Conquest Exploration Co.(NASDAQ: CQX) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the AMEX.

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#90309c0008 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The NASD has announced at 10:38 that trade in National Techteam (NASDAQ: TEAM) has been resumed. The first bid was 9/16; up 1/32 from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90309c0009 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in General Cinema Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol GCN. Trading was resumed at 10:36.

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#90309c0010 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Neiman Marcus Group has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock

Exchange, ticker symbol NMG. Trading was resumed at 10:39.

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#90309c0011 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Morehouse Industries Inc.(TICKER: MIXS) lost $1.16 million, or $0.30 per share on revenues of $3.26 million for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $416,000, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $3.94 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90309c0012 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Imaging Management Associates Inc. earned $80,459, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $970,928 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $248,293, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $1.27 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reports that on June 19, 1990, Imaging Management Associates (IMA) and L.I. Inc. completed a merger, in a transaction accounted as a recapitalization of IMA.

The new company also acquired Jersey City Imaging Center in 1990.

Before the acquisitions, L.I. Inc. was a publicly held company with no operations and total assets, the company reports, of approximately $8,000 in cash.

The company was incorporated Oct. 24, 1989.

IMA's executive offices are located at 550 Summit Avenue, Jersey City, NJ 07306, and its telephone number is (201) 656-5050.

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#90309c0013 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Dreco Energy Services Ltd.(TICKER: DREAF) filed to offer 1.77 million shares of common stock.

Of that offering of Class A common shares, 1.0 million shares are being sold by the company and 770,000 shares are being sold by shareholders.

The last reported sale price of the shares, on Oct. 30, 1990, was $9 per share.

Dreco is engaged in the design and manufacture of oilfield equipment for the worldwide petroleum exploration and production industry.

The company operates in two principal business groups: drilling and well servicing equipment, and downhole products including drilling motors and specialized drilling tools.

The offering is being managed by Wertheim Schroder & Co. Inc., and Howard, Weil, Labouisse, Friedrichs Inc.

The company's executive offices are located at 3716-93 Street, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T6E5N3, and its telephone number is (403) 463-2065.

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#90309c0014 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 17 1990, Tiempo Equities Inc. merged with Atrix Tool Inc., a privately held corporation. Tiempo is the surviving entity and has changed its name to Atrix International Inc., the company reports.

Tiempo effected a one for two reverse split of its common stock and, post-reverse split, issued 1.56 million shares of common stock in consummation of the merger.

As a result of the merger, the former shareholders of Atrix hold approximately 43% of the 3.59 million shares outstanding after the merger.

In addition, four former directors of Atrix were elected to be members of the board of directors of Atrix International.

Atrix reports this has led to a change in contorl of the company.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Beverly Hills Fan Co. filed to offer 833,334 shares of common stock at $3 per share.

Additionally, 45,350 shares of common stocka are being offered for sale by a shareholder of the company.

The company reports it will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of the 45,350 shares.

A.M. Levine & Co. is managing the offering.

The company is engaged in the design, marketing and distribution of innovative ceiling fans and fan lighting accessories manufactured to its specifications.

These are also customized by the company, and sold primarily through lighting showrooms and home improvement centers in the U.S.

The company's executive offices are located at 12612 Raymer Street, North Hollywood, CA 91605, and its telephone number is (818) 982-1002.

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#90309c0017 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 16 1990, Olympia Holding Corp., formerly known as P-I-E Nationwide Inc., filed in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Florida at Jacksonville a voluntary petition for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

The company reports its subsidiary, Transporation Teleprocessing Inc., also filed a Chapter 11 bankruptcy petition.

The company's executive offices are located at 2050 Kings Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32209, and its telephone number is (904) 798-2000.

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#90309c0018 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on May 15, 1990, the board of directors of O'Hara Resources Ltd.(TICKER: OHRAF) engaged the firm of Rennie & Co. as their independent accountants.

The company dismissed their former accountants, Yada, Tompkins, Humphries, Palmer & Co.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

The company's executive offices are located at 1005 Terminal Way, Suite 210, Reno, Nevada 89502, and its telephone number is (702) 786-4272.

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#90309c0019 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 17 1990, Manpower Inc. (TICKER: MAN) announced that it was informed by Brook Opportunities Ltd. that Brook was not able to meet the terms of the contract for its purchase of substantially all of the U.K. non-Manpower subsidiaries

due to constraints relating to Brook's financing arrangements.

Brook has requested a variation of some of the terms of the contract, including a price reduction, to enable the purchase to take place.

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#90309c0020 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:01 that trade in Galileo Electro-Optics Corp.(NASDAQ: GAEO) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 3/4. The company is located in Sturbridge, MA.

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#90309c0021 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY VALHI INC OF DALLAS, TEXAS OWNS 31,205,369 SHARES (42.40%) OF BAROID CORP (TICKER: BRC).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Valhi Inc. received 31,508,369 shares pursuant to a pro rata distribution of all outstanding shares to holders of the common stock of Tremont Corp., fka Baroid Corp., without payment of any consideration by such holders. The distribution was made pursuant to a restructuring plan dated Aug. 31, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90309c0022 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

SMITH TECHNOLOGIES INC OWNS 833,333 SHARES (%) OF FLIGHT INTL GROUP INC (TICKER: FLTI) OF NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 1, 1990 Smith Technologies Inc. and The Flight International Group Inc. entered into a modification agreement with amended terms of the option to purchase up to 5.5 million Flight International Inc. common shares. The

modification agreement provides that, among other things, the maximum number of common shares subject to the option shall be reduced from 5.5 million to 5 million.

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#90309c0024 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

AMCO INVESTMENT CO OWNS 1,666,750 SHARES (26.30%) OF MICRON PRODUCTS INC (TICKER: PMR) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 23, 1990 Kuno Laren, Micron Products Inc. chairman, and his son Guy Laren, resigned from Micron Products Inc.'s board of directors. To fill the vacancies, Micron Products Inc. elected Clifford R. Roth and Richard J. Emerine, both directors of Amco Investment Co.'s parent company. Also on that date, Roth was elected chairman and CEO of Micron Products Inc.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90309c0025 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

LONDON FINANCIAL TRUST LTD OWNS 1,086,342 SHARES (7.80%) OF CLEOPATRA KOHLIQUE INC (TICKER: CLEO) OF FARMINGDALE, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 18, 1990, LFT, Lornamead, the Corporation, and Anthony McCready entered into a purchase agreement pursuant to which LFT sold to McCready 4,471,663 shares of the common stock, the option held by LFT to purchase 1,500,000 shares of common stock (exercisable at $.06 per share) and all 75 shares of class A stock owned by LFT, and LFT and ornamead each assigned to McCready its respective advances and Loans to the Corporation together with any and all security interests they had in assets of the Corporation, in consideration of the delivery by McCready of an installment note in principal amount of $225,632, the last installment of which is due Dec. 31, 1990. These shares, options loans, advances and security interests sold by LFT and

Lornamead have been placed in escrow, pursuant to a pledge agreement, dated Sept. 18, 1990, as collateral security for the payment under the note delivered by McCready. LFT has granted an irrevocable proxy to McCready to vote all of the shares of common stock held by it, pursuant to a stockholders agreement dated Sept. 18, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Transaction pursuant to a pledge agreement.

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#90309c0026 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

KUSAI HM AL AZZAWI OWNS 414,100 SHARES (10.18%) OF ALLIED RESEARCH CORP (TICKER: ARAI) OF BALTIMORE, MARYLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 23 through Oct. 24, 1990, Kusai HM AL Azzawi has purchased 42,600 shares at a price of $1.88 to $2 per share.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

-30- 574
#90309c0027 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY TIGER OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 751,100 SHARES (34.53%) OF DELPHI FINANCIAL GRP INC (TICKER: DLFI) OF WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 22 through Oct. 31, 1990, Tiger have purchased 130,500 shares at a

price of $8.13 to $8.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90309c0028 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:40 that trade in Thousand Trails Inc.(NASDAQ: TRLS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7/8. The company is located in Bellevue, WA.

-30- 340

#90309c0029 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:44 that trade in Vankampen Merit LTD Term High Income Trust Preferred has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol VLT.

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#90309c0030 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Conquest Exploration Co. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CQX. Trading was resumed at 11:34.

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#90309c0032 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Community Financial Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$375,956	$353,209
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.59	$0.53
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$123,421,542	$122,702,700
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,269,710	$14,136,540

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#90309c0033 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows Softkey Software Products Inc.(TICKER: SKEYF) earned $986,000, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $2.85 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $498,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $2.70 million for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989.

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#90309c0034 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Steel of West Virginia Inc.(TICKER: SWVA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$19,754,000	$21,478,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$306,000	$946,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$0.19
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$66,325,000	$65,397,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,039,000	$10,169,000

-30- 1006

#90309c0035 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 26 1990, Sierra Capital Companies announced that the trustees of Sierra Real Estate Equity Trust Co.(TICKER: SREE) have authorized the commencement of the self-liquidation process for the trust, formed in 1984-85 as a self-

liquidating, finite-life real estate investment trust.

The trust is advised by Sierra Capital.

The trustees also authorized the retention of Cushman & Wakefield in its Los Angeles office as an intermediary to assist in locating purchasers for the trust's properties.

Trust '84 owns the Peninsula Shopping Center in Rolling Hills, California, and five business parks, four in the Los Angeles basin and one in Phoenix.

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#90309c0036 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Langer Biomechanics Group Inc.(TICKER: GAIT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Feb. 28,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$12,855,549	$12,739,830
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(241,231)	$246,906
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$0.10
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,567,210	2,550,135

BALANCE SHEET

	Feb. 28, 1990	Feb. 28, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,717,949	$6,473,460
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,986,639	$4,504,780

-30- 1043

#90309c0037 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 1, 1990, Convoy Capital Corp.(TICKER: CNVC) announced that William Sharp was appointed president of the company, and Lorne R. Duncan was appointed secretary.

Additionally, the company announced it has granted an incentive stock option

to purchase a total of 25,000 shares of the company at $0.75 per share, exercisable for a period of five years.

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#90309c0038 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Mirtronics Inc.(TICKER: MNTC) announced its intention to make a normal course issuer bid through the Toronto Stock Exchange to purchase certain of its issued common shares.

To date, 8.52 million common shares of the corporation are issued and outstanding.

The company may purchase up to two percent of its common shares in any given 30-day period, up to a maximum in the twelve-month period of 426,045 common shares, up to 5% of the common shares issued and outstanding as at Oct. 25, 1990.

The bid will start as of Oct. 29, 1990, and will terminate on the earlier date of Oct. 28, 1991, or such date as the company completes its purchases under the bid or gives notice of termination.

-30- 910

#90309c0040 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Timberline Minerals (TICKER: TIMM) announced that subsequent to execution of a merger agreement between Timberline and Perseverance Corp. Ltd., Perseverance became the subject of a tender offer for its stock by London-registered Butte Mining Plc.

Perseverance reportedly has been unable to proceed with a previously negotiated rights issue and project-financing funding.

As a result, the board of directors of Timberline Minerals has met and decided to require Perseverance to demonstrate by Nov. 9, 1990, its ability to complete its obligations under the merger agreement.

If Perseverance is unable to do this, Timberline reports its board will consider alternatives to Timberline's future activities, including termination of the merger agreement and the sale, lease or joint venture of some or all of its mining projects and the sale of equity or debt securities.

-30- 1125

#90309c0041 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 30

1990, Peter Kiewit Sons' Inc. entered an agreement with Ball Corp. (TICKER: BLL), pursuant to which Ball agreed to acquire Kiewit's European packaging operations for $625.0 million and a certain number of shares of Ball's outstanding common and preferred stock (then valued at about $400.0 million).

Under terms of the agreement, Kiewit had the option to terminate the Ball agreement if Ball failed to obtain certain financing commitments by Sept. 15, 1990. On Oct. 26, 1990, the Ball agreement was terminated.

Kiewit and American International Group Inc. (AIG) signed a non-binding letter of intent on June 6, 1990, with respect to the proposed acquisition by Kiewit of a 51% interest in a new corporation which would own certain portions of the electrical and mechanical subcontracting businesses of AIG's indirect subsidiaries, Fischbach & Moore Inc. and Natkin Group Inc.

In October, 1990, the negotiations regarding a definitive agreement on the proposed transaction were ended.

The company's executive offices are located at 1000 Kiewit Plaza, Omaha, NB 68131, and its telephone number is (402) 342-2052.

-30- 1382

#90309c0042 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 25 1990, the board of directors of Astec Industries Inc.(TICKER: ASTE) dismissed its independent auditors, Deloitte & Touche, and replaced them with the firm of Ernst & Young.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90309c0043 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 24 1990, Oak Industries Inc.(TICKER: OAK) dismissed Coopers & Lybrand as their independent accountants.

The company, on that same date, engaged the firm of Price Waterhouse as its independent accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90309c0044 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 12 1990, International Paper Co.(TICKER: IP) entered an underwriting agreement with the First Boston Corp., Kidder, Peabody & Co. Inc. and Salomon Brothers Inc. relating to the issuance and sale by International on Oct. 22, 1990, of $150.0 million of 9 5/8% notes due in 1995.

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#90309c0045 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 16 1990, Otra (TICKER: OSGI) filed Articles of Domestication and By-Laws in the state of Utah, changing the domicile of the company to Utah.

The company also filed a Certificate of Dissolution in the state of Delaware.

The changes were authorized by a the board of directors and a majority of the company's stockholders on May 25, 1990.

-30- 563
#90309c0046 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 10 1990, in accordance with approval granted by the shareholders of the company on Sept. 26, 1989, the company transferred all its assets and liabilities to London Prime Inc.

On Oct. 15, 1990, London Prime transferred all assets and liabilities of O'Hara to O'Hara Resources Ltd.(TICKER: OHRA), a Nevada corporation.

The company reports that O'Hara-Nevada previously had no shares issued and is now exchanging shares, on a one-for-one basis, with shareholders of O'Hara.

The effect of these transactions is to change the domicile of O'Hara Resources to the state of Nevada.

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#90309c0048 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 2,749,329 SHARES (7.70%) OF BOWATER INC (TICKER: BOW) OF DARIEN, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90309c0049 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

P.N. HEYDON OWNS 37,500 SHARES (5.14%) OF FIFTH DIMENSION INC (TICKER: FIVD) OF TRENTON, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90309c0050 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 680,600 SHARES (5.40%) OF TELLABS INC (TICKER: TLAB).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 374
#90309c0051 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 681,600 SHARES (13.58%) OF CURTISS WRIGHT CORP (TICKER: CW) OF LYNDHURST, NJ.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 19 through Oct. 31, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 77,500 shares at a price of $27.50 to $30 per share and sold 14,450 shares at a price of $27.50 to $31.75.

-30- 543
#90309c0052 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

R.A. SIMMS OWNS 150,700 SHARES (8.40%) OF SEATTLE FILM WORKS INC (TICKER: FOTO) OF SEATTLE, WASHINGTON.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.A. Simms' holdings have increased from 7.2 percent to 8.4 percent of Seattle Film Works Inc.'s outstanding common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 31 through Oct. 30, 1990, R.A. Simms purchased 20,000 shares at a price of $6 to $8 per share.

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#90309c0053 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

WASTE MANAGEMENT INC OAK BROOKS, ILLINOIS OWNS 22,459,535 SHARES (55.20%) OF WHEELABRATOR TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: WTI) OF DANVERS, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 25, 1990, Henley, Henley Support Co. Two, the Company, WMNA and RHI entered into a letter agreement, dated Oct. 25, 1990, relating to the modification agreement, dated Aug. 24, 1989, as amended, which provides, among other things, that WMNA and the Company have waived their rights of first refusal under the modification agreement with respect to shares of common stock of the Company owned by Henley, that Henley and its affiliates have waived their right to purchase from the Company shares of common stock as is necessary to remain collectively the beneficial owners of at least 7.26 percent of the Company's common stock shares, that Henley and the Company have waived their rights of first refusal with respect to shares of the company owned by WMNA or its affiliates, that Henley and its affiliates have waived their registration rights set forth with respect to the shares of Company common stock they hold, that WMNA's option to purchase 440,835 shares of common stock of the Company at a price of $26.04 per share continues unchanged after the WMI Merger, and that all shares of Company common stock issued to WMI and its affiliates pursuant to the WMI Merger are subject to the registration rights set forth in the modification agreement.

PURPOSE:

Amendment to the modification agreement.

-30- 1712
#90309c0054 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY HCS OWNS 14,166,277 SHARES (78.27%) OF SCOR US CORP (TICKER: SUR) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In order to combine the reinsurance operations of SCOR Paris and UAP, on Nov. 24, 1989, CGV acquired, effective Jan. 1, 1989, 100 percent of the stock of SCOR Paris and UAP Re in exchange for its own stock. CGV was then renamed SCOR S.A. At the time of the reorganization, four of the five significant shareholders of SCOR S.A. restructured their ownership so that their shares were held through HCS, a holding company which was created so that the reorganization would comply with certain French legal restrictions. Pursuant to a merger which was adopted at the annual meeting of SCOR U.S. stockholders held on June 26, 1990 and was consummated on July 3, 1990, each issued and outstanding share of common stock, par value $100 per share, of Rockleigh was converted into the right to receive 535.3427 newly issued shares of common stock. SCOR U.S. announced, in a press release on Aug. 16, 1990, that it did not plan to proceed with a public offering in the foreseeable future.

PURPOSE:

Compliance with French legal restrictions and combining of operations.

-30- 1398
#90309c0056 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The latest home resale figures show a continued slowdown nationwide in the housing market but regional pockets continue to show signs of strength, the National Association of Realtors reported today.

On a breakdown by region, the South posted a third quarter gain of 1.4 percent in existing home sales from a year ago, the Midwest showed a drop of 1 percent from the same period in 1989, the West was off 8.8 percent and the Northeast dipped 8.5 percent.

Since the South accounts for approximately 40 percent of total domestic resales, the overall quarterly decline stood at 2.5 percent nationally.

California, by far the largest western market, experienced a sharp drop in its coastal markets, resulting in third-quarter resales of 409,300 units, off 18.9 percent from 1989. Banking and real estate problems in the Northeast caused home resales to remain sluggish while certain areas of the South and Midwest posted gains.

"We continue to see affordably priced homes and improving economic conditions in the less populated regions of the Midwest and South, said NAR chief economist John A. Tuccillo.

The real weaknesses in the housing sector are occuring in the Northeast and West, particularly California," said Rob Rosenblatt, economist for the Mortgage Bankers Association (MBA). "The Midwest is holding its own as is parts of the South."

South Dakota, North Dakota, Missouri and Iowa reported increases in home resales for the period while Nebraska, Illinois, Minnesota, Michigan and Kansas experienced declines.

"The Midwest is holding up because a lot of their industries are geared to exports and industrial countries of Europe are spending a lot on U.S. products " Rosenblatt said.

Both the NAR and MBA believe the U.S. economy has entered into a mild recession and Rosenblatt says the outlook for the housing market is expected to remain weak.

"The economic slump, consumer confidence down, the Mideast crisis, and (30-year fixed mortgage) interest rates hovering at 10 to 10.5 percent add up to a weak housing market for the rest of this year and well into mid-1991," Rosenblatt said.

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#90309c0057 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:35 that trade in General Development Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol GDV.

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#90309c0058 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:48 that trade in Thousand Trails Inc.(NASDAQ: TRLS) has been resumed. The first sale was 15/16;

up 1/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90309c0059 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - Enron Corp.(TICKER: ENE) filed a registration statement with the SEC relating to 10 million units of beneficial interest of Enron Gas Trust which are to be offered.

Enron Gas Trust is to be established by Enron Corp.

The principal assets of Enron Gas Trust will consists of rights under a series of prepaid forward contracts for the delivery of natural gas to Enron Gas Trust by Enron Reserve Acquisition Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Enron Corp.

It is currently estimated the initial public offering price will be $5.35 per trust unit.

Application will be made to list the trust units on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol EGU.

Donaldson Lufkin & Jenrette, Kidder Peabody and Lehman Brothers are managing the offering.

Enron Corp's executive office is located at 1400 Smith Street, Houston, Texas 77002 and its telephone number is (713) 853-6161.

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#90309c0060 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - Phoenix Advanced Technology Inc.(TICKER: PATI) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one warrant.

The offering price of the units is still to be determined.

Noble Investment Co. is underwriting the offering.

The company was formed to license medical and nutritional products to other companies for manufacture and marketing.

The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ system under the symbol PATI.

The company's executive office is located at 4020 Newberry Road, Gainesville,

FL 32607 and its telephone number is (904) 372-9585.

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#90309c0061 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - Everest Medical Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 900,000 shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is $4.00 per share.

Miller, Johnson & Kuehn Inc. is underwriting the offering.

The company reports it is engaged in the development, manufacturing and marketing of electrosurgical devices which operate in a bipolar mode, providing an improved margin of patient safety in certain surgical and interventional procedures.

Everest Medical's executive office is located at 13755 First Ave. North, Minneapolis, MN 55441 and its telephone number is (612) 473-6262.

-30- 843

#90309c0062 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - FIC Acquisition Corp. filed a Form 8-K with the SEC stating on June 25, 1990, its board of directors accepted the resignations of David M. Jastrzebski as president and director of the company.

Glenn L. Scholl also resigned as treasurer and director along with Stephen W. Simpson as secretary and a director of the company.

Howard M. Appel was appointed as president, treasurer and a director of the company and Cecile T. Coady was named secretary and a director to serve in such capacity until the next meeting of the board of directors following the company's next annual meeting.

On Sept. 15, 1990, Farmstead Telephone Group Inc.(TICKER: FONE) entered into a stock purchase agreement with Equity Associates Corp. whereby Farmstead Telephone sold 4,902,129 shares of its common stock in FIC Acquisition for $0.002 per share.

Pursuant to the agreement, Farmstead Telephone is to retain the international business operations used by or relating to FIC Acquisition and FIC Acquisition's indebtedness to Farmstead Telephone is forgiven. Farmstead Telephone retains a 10% interest in FIC Acquisition.

On Sept. 24, 1990, FIC Acquisition filed an amendment to its certificate of incorporation to change its name from Farmstead International Corp. to FIC

Acquisition Corp.

On Oct. 26, 1990, FIC Acquisition filed a voluntary petition under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code citing $92,140 in assets and $186,078 in liabilities.

FIC's executive office is located at 1515 Market Street, Seventh Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19102 and its telephone number is (215) 751-0751.

-30- 1786
#90309c0064 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The Planters Corp. (PNBT) was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 5. It was acquired by Centura Banks Inc.

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 2:

Ingres Corp. (RELY); Company request - no longer 12(g) registered
Pacific Southwest Corp. (PSWC); No longer 12(g) registered

The following issues were deleted from NASDAQ effective Nov. 1 due to being delinquent in required filings:

Corporate Data Sciences Inc. (CODSE); Cl A Wts 11/14/90 (CODWE)

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#90309c0065 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 5:

Jetborne International Inc. (JETS) to (JETSE)
Suncoast S&L Assn. (SCSL) to (SCSLE)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 2:

Celltronics Inc. (CELT) to RF Industries Ltd (RFIL)
O'Hara Resources Ltd. (OHRAF) to O'Hara Resources Ltd (OHRA) - incorporated in Nevada)

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#90309c0066 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B.W. LYNCH OF 541 MAIN ST #410, S WEYMOUTH, MA 02190, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO.(TICKER: SDEV) THROUGH ADAMS HARKNESS & HILL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 29, 1990.

(SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO. TEL: 617 337-0877)

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#90309c0067 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.L. ROBINSON OF 13659 SO 2780 WEST, P O BOX 388, RIVERTON, UT 84065, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF PAN WORLD MINERALS INTL INC. THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(PAN WORLD MINERALS INTL INC. TEL: 801 261-3888)

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#90309c0068 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M. JOBLIN OF 112 HARROGATE RD, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19151, HAS FILED TO SELL 400,000 SHARES OF PMR CORP. THROUGH FINL EQUITIES RES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 31, 1990.

(PMR CORP. TEL: 619 295-2227)

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#90309c0069 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - IRIS NEWMAN OF 5310 PEBBLEBROOK DRIVE,

DALLAS, TX 75229, HAS FILED TO SELL 62,656 SHARES OF AMERICAN FRANCHISE GROUP INC. (TICKER: BUCS) THROUGH GUARDIAN INTL SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 31, 1990.

(AMERICAN FRANCHISE GROUP INC. TEL: 305 564-5302)

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#90309c0070 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES NEWMAN OF 5757 ALPHA ROAD, SUITE #214, DALLAS, TX 75240, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,617 SHARES OF AMERICAN FRANCHISE GROUP INC. (TICKER: BUCS) THROUGH GUARDIAN INTL SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(AMERICAN FRANCHISE GROUP INC. TEL: 305 564-5302)

-30- 450
#90309c0072 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BEIRNE CARTER FOUNDATION OF 12TH AND MAIN STREET, C/O SOVRAN BANK, RICHMOND, VA 23219, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,167 SHARES OF CATERPILLAR INC. (TICKER: CAT) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(CATERPILLAR INC. TEL: 309 675-1000)

-30- 450
#90309c0073 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD F SAUPE OF 9105 WEBB KAY DR, 0, DALLAS, TX 75243, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC TEL: 214 258-8507)

-30- 417
#90309c0074 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN P SQUIRES OF 8330 LARKSPUR RD, BOULDER, CO 80302, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 31, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 433-3340)

-30- 432
#90309c0075 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOYCE M AMBROSE OF 96 BEECH ST, LACKAWANNA, NY 14218, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. (TICKER: EEI) THROUGH CAPSTONE ASSET. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 31, 1990.

(ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. TEL: 716 684-8060)

-30- 428

#90309c0076 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TAYLOR R JENSON OF 2700 COLORADO AVE, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,500 SHARES OF NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: NME) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 31, 1990.

(NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC TEL: 213 315-8000)

-30- 456
#90309c0077 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR F MICHAELIS OF 3 ST ANTHONY LANE, 0, CHESTER SPRINGS, PA 19425, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES IN (TICKER: AMA) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 31, 1990.

(ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES IN TEL: 415 291-8801)

-30- 479
#90309c0078 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CRAIG S MILLER OF 100 CHARLES PARK RD, WEST ROXBURY, MA 02132, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF UNO RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: UNO) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 31, 1990.

(UNO RESTAURANT CORP. TEL: 617 323-9200)

-30- 422
#90309c0080 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL J ALLEN OF ONE PROCTER & GAMBLE PLZ, CINCINNATI, OH 45202, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,991 SHARES OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG) THROUGH BHC SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 31, 1990.

(PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. TEL: 513 983-1100)

-30- 421
#90309c0081 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN J MOORES OF P O BOX 1146, SUGAR LAND, TX 77487, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,000 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 240-8800)

-30- 408
#90309c0082 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H LEE BROWNE OF 465 ROUND HILL RD, GREENWICH, CT 06831, HAS FILED TO SELL 90,000 SHARES OF GREENWICH PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: GRPI) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(GREENWICH PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 203 622-0017)

-30- 447
#90309c0083 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARION B MORSE OF 2012 NORTH BLVD #2, HOUSTON, TX 77098, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 31, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 240-8800)

-30- 407
#90309c0084 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLAN S HOLDER OF 1646 LUGANO LANE, DEL MAR, CA 92014, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. TEL: 619 755-8281)

-30- 429
#90309c0085 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BERNER RICHARD O TTEE OF 1200 WALL ST WEST, LYNDHURST, NJ 07071, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CURTISS-WRIGHT CORP. (TICKER: CW) THROUGH GABRIELE HUEGLIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(CURTISS-WRIGHT CORP. TEL: 201 896-8411)

-30- 432
#90309c0086 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GREG SATZ OF 213 FULTON ST, PALO ALTO, CA 94301, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 402
#90309c0088 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VIJAY P GUPTA OF 1801 BLACKHORSE PINE, PLEASANTVILLE, NJ 08232, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DRUG) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 609 228-8500)

-30- 442
#90309c0089 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES N PACE OF 4309 JENA ST, NEW ORLEANS, LA 70125, HAS FILED TO SELL 500,000 SHARES OF PURECYCLE CORP. (TICKER: PCY) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 31, 1990.

(PURECYCLE CORP. TEL: 303 467-9225)

-30- 404
#90309c0090 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NICHOLAS M CARLO OF 85 RISLEY RD, VERNON, CT 06066, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,250 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2400)

-30- 427
#90309c0091 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY MELANSON OF 3052 ORCHARD DR, SAN JOSE, CA 95134, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,084 SHARES OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(LASERSCOPE TEL: 408 943-0636)

-30- 389
#90309c0092 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COPLEY PARTNERS I LP OF 600 ALTANTIC AVE, 13TH FLOOR, BOSTON, MA 02210, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,380 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 470
#90309c0093 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK TARGON OF 38338 CROCUS LANE, 0, PALM DESERT, CA 92260, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,640 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 31, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 454
#90309c0094 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES R GLYNN OF 13406 LANDFAIR RD, SAN DIEGO, CA 92130, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 31, 1990.

(MYCOGEN CORP TEL: 619 453-8030)

-30- 390
#90309c0096 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COURDER HOLDINGS LTD OF 464 HUDSON TERRACE, ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ 07632, HAS FILED TO SELL 47,367 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH JONES GABLE & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 201 569-4141)

-30- 420
#90309c0097 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLEN BOEHM OF 464 HUDSON TERRACE, 0, ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ 07632, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,026 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH JONES GABLE & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 201 569-4141)

-30- 405
#90309c0098 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUNO MAESTRI OF 6508 ROCKLAND DR, 0, CLIFTON, VA 22024, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,650 SHARES OF VERSAR INC. (TICKER: VSR) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 31, 1990.

(VERSAR INC. TEL: 703 750-3000)

-30- 386
#90309c0099 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN ZELMAN OF 73 BEVERLY ROAD, GREAT NECK, NY 11021, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,333 SHARES OF CORTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: CORX) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(CORTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 714 727-3157)

-30- 437
#90309c0100 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES L FARISS JR OF 6216 LEDGE MOUNTAIN DR, AUSTIN, TX 78731, HAS FILED TO SELL 38,850 SHARES OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII) THROUGH SUNAMERICA SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 512 346-4300)

-30- 446
#90309c0101 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT J MELLO OF 9108 SMITH AVE, BALTIMORE, MD 21236, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CHESAPEAKE BIOLOGICAL LABORATORI (TICKER: CHBA) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT 30, 1990.

(CHESAPEAKE BIOLOGICAL LABORATORI TEL: 301 358-9600)

-30- 456
#90309c0102 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, J.B. MITCHELL, DIR. OF CURRAGH RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CZP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 318
#90309c0104 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, J.F. GILBERT, PRES. OF TRENCOR JETCO INC. BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.61 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90309c0105 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, J.F. GILBERT, PRES. OF TRENCOR JETCO INC. BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.61 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90309c0106 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, J.F. GILBERT, PRES. OF TRENCOR JETCO INC. BOUGHT 85,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,000.

-30- 298
#90309c0107 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, WALTER N COLEMAN, VP OF AETNA LIFE & CASUALTY CO. (TICKER: AET), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $39.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 326
#90309c0108 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, MICHAEL W FOSTER, DIR. OF AB HOLDING GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGBG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 321
#90309c0109 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MICHAEL GORIN, PRES. OF ARX INC. (TICKER: ARX), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,837.

-30- 287
#90309c0110 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, FRED L MOHR, OFFICER OF BEARINGS INC. (TICKER: BER), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,381.

-30- 297
#90309c0112 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, LYNN H JOHNSTON, DIR. OF BANK SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: BKSO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,790.

-30- 310
#90309c0113 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, WENDELL M SMITH, CHAIRMAN OF BALDWIN TECHNOLOGY CO.

(TICKER: BLD), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90309c0114 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, WENDELL M SMITH, CHAIRMAN OF BALDWIN TECHNOLOGY CO. (TICKER: BLD), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 826,672.

-30- 334
#90309c0115 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, NINA J GALLOWAY, OFFICER OF BURNHAM PACIFIC PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BPP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,230.

-30- 347
#90309c0116 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, RONALD R HRUSOFF, OFFICER OF BURNHAM PACIFIC PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BPP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,477.

-30- 343
#90309c0117 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, RONALD R HRUSOFF, OFFICER OF BURNHAM PACIFIC PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BPP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,977.

-30- 345
#90309c0118 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ROBERT J LICHTER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BURNHAM PACIFIC PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BPP), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,464.

-30- 368
#90309c0120 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, WILLIAM L CARTER, OFFICER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90309c0121 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WILLIAM L CARTER, OFFICER OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 319
#90309c0122 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, DIR. OF BULL RUN GOLD MINES LTD. (TICKER: BULL), SOLD 5,800 SHARES AT $0.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 536,059.

-30- 329
#90309c0123 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, CAPITAL CITIES/ABC SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITAL CITIES/ABC INC. (TICKER: CCB), BOUGHT 1,490 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 425,359.

-30- 387
#90309c0124 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ROBERT H BECKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,800.

-30- 336
#90309c0125 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, FRANK M CHERF, DIR. OF CFSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFSB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,157.

-30- 302
#90309c0126 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, BARBARA L MILLS, DIR. OF CENTRAL SPRINKLER CORP. (TICKER: CNSP), SOLD 1,250 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 528.

-30- 318
#90309c0128 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WILLIAM T STEPHENS, DIR. OF CRSS INC. (TICKER: CRX), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 292
#90309c0129 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, ARTHUR HAUSPURG, TTEE OF CONSOLIDATED EDISON CO. OF NEW YORK (TICKER: ED), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $21.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90309c0130 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, E JOHN FINN, DIR. OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 297
#90309c0131 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, THOMAS F FLAHERTY, OFFICER OF FIBREBOARD CORP. (TICKER: FBD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,545.

-30- 317
#90309c0132 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, KENNETH A MACKE, DIR. OF FIRST BANK SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FBS), BOUGHT 510 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,481.

-30- 312
#90309c0133 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, RICHARD A ZONA, VP OF FIRST BANK SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FBS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,063.

-30- 314
#90309c0134 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM R BRUCE, DIR. OF FIDELITY BANCSHARES INC. (TN) (TICKER: FFTN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 334
#90309c0136 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 20, 1987, NORFLEET R TURNER, DIR. OF FIRST TENNESSEE NATL CORP. (TICKER: FTEN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90309c0137 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, NORFLEET R TURNER, DIR. OF FIRST TENNESSEE NATL CORP. (TICKER: FTEN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,000.

-30- 332
#90309c0138 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, HARRIS J ASHTON, CHAIRMAN OF GENERAL HOST CORP. (TICKER: GH), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 887,409.

-30- 319
#90309c0139 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 28, 1990, MARC J HANOVER, VP OF GVC VENTURE CORP. (TICKER: GPAX), BOUGHT 11,686 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90309c0140 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MARC J HANOVER, VP OF GVC VENTURE CORP. (TICKER: GPAX), BOUGHT 54,151 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,949.

-30- 307
#90309c0141 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1989, KENNETH M RABASCA, DIR. OF GREENSTONE RABASCA ROBERTS INC. (TICKER: GRRI), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,850,000.

-30- 349
#90309c0142 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, KENNETH M RABASCA, DIR. OF GREENSTONE RABASCA ROBERTS INC. (TICKER: GRRI), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700,000.

-30- 349
#90309c0144 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, A J MILLER, VP OF HAMILTON OIL CORP. (TICKER: HAML), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $38.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 86,110.

-30- 304
#90309c0145 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, MELVIN E LEVINSON, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHINFUSION INC. (TICKER: HINF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 499,675.

-30- 350
#90309c0146 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, MELVIN E LEVINSON, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHINFUSION INC. (TICKER: HINF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,250.

-30- 351
#90309c0147 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JOHN T HARTLEY, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $18.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90309c0148 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOHN T HARTLEY, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $18.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90309c0149 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOHN T HARTLEY, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $18.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90309c0150 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, JOHN T HARTLEY, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,084.

-30- 307
#90309c0152 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, RICHARD N ROSETT, DIR. OF HUTCHINSON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: HTCH), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,945.

-30- 330
#90309c0153 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ROBERT L FROME, OFFICER OF UNITED CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: ICU), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90309c0154 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ROBERT L FROME, OFFICER OF UNITED CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: ICU), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 312
#90309c0155 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, D PAUL LACOUNT, DIR. OF INDIANA FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: IFSL), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,074.

-30- 320
#90309c0156 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DONALD A LESCH, DIR. OF INDIANA FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: IFSL), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,300.

-30- 316
#90309c0157 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JOHN R PONCHER, DIR. OF INDIANA FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: IFSL), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,531.

-30- 320
#90309c0158 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, LEO J HEILE, VP OF ITT CORP. (TICKER: ITT), SOLD 885 SHARES AT $47.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,951.

-30- 280
#90309c0160 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, THOMAS A CLAWSON, DIR. OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 121 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,714.

-30- 337
#90309c0161 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, MARIO J PALUMBO, DIR. OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,737.

-30- 337
#90309c0162 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, THORLEY D BRIGGS, PRES. OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,307.

-30- 318
#90309c0163 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROBERT A FOX, DIR. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90309c0164 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROBERT A FOX, DIR. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,897.

-30- 300
#90309c0165 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, DESMOND P MCDONALD, DIR. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,044.

-30- 313
#90309c0166 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ROY T PERAINO, PRES. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 29,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90309c0168 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ROBERT E GRAY JR, DIR. OF MICROLOG CORP. (TICKER: MLOG), BOUGHT 1,020 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90309c0169 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ROBERT E GRAY JR, DIR. OF MICROLOG CORP. (TICKER: MLOG), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,520.

-30- 303
#90309c0170 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, MELVIN F BROWN, DIR. OF MEDICINE SHOPPE INTL INC. (TICKER: MSII), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 321

#90309c0171 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 03, 1987, FRANCIS L KINNEY, DIR. OF NORTHEAST UTILITIES (TICKER: NU), SOLD 1,426 SHARES AT $26.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35.

-30- 313
#90309c0172 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WILLIAM C WEAVER, VP OF OAK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: OAK), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,000.

-30- 303
#90309c0173 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, WILLIAM C WEAVER, VP OF OAK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: OAK), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90309c0174 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM C WEAVER, VP OF OAK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: OAK), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $0.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,000.

-30- 303
#90309c0176 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, FRANK P WILTON, DIR. OF PURITAN-BENNETT CORP. (TICKER: PBEN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 310
#90309c0177 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, D MITCHELL CODDINGTON, VP OF PROPERTY CAPITAL TRUST (TICKER: PCT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 325
#90309c0178 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, EARNEST F GLOYNA, DIR. OF PARKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: PKD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90309c0179 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, EARNEST F GLOYNA, DIR. OF PARKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: PKD), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90309c0180 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, EARNEST F GLOYNA, DIR. OF PARKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: PKD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,800.

-30- 310
#90309c0181 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, DONALD A COGGIOLA, VP OF POLICY MANAGEMENT SYS CORP. (TICKER: PMS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $38.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90309c0182 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, DONALD A COGGIOLA, VP OF POLICY MANAGEMENT SYS CORP. (TICKER: PMS), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $38.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,522.

-30- 329
#90309c0184 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, DAVID P ALDERSON II, OFFICER OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER:

PZL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $67.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,026.

-30- 307
#90309c0185 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, CHARLES B LAWRENCE, DIR. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $67.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 305
#90309c0186 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $70.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0187 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $69.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0188 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $69.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0189 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $68.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0190 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL),

BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $69.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0192 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL),
BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $68.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0193 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL),
BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $68.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0194 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL),
BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $68.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0195 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL),
BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $68.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0196 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL),
BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $68.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0197 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL),

BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $67.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0198 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL),
BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $66.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0200 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL),
BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $67.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0201 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL),
BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $67.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0202 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL),
BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $66.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0203 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL),
BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $62.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90309c0204 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL),

BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $62.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,811.

-30- 293
#90309c0205 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JAMES W SHADDIX, OFFICER OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $69.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,815.

-30- 303
#90309c0206 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, KAM KWEN NG, DIR. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90309c0208 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, KAM KWEN NG, DIR. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90309c0209 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, KAM KWEN NG, DIR. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90309c0210 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, KAM KWEN NG, DIR. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 156,510.

-30- 301
#90309c0211 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, THOMAS N BRAFFORD, DIR. OF RS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER:

RFBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,405.

-30- 316
#90309c0212 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MANFRED STEINFELD, CHAIRMAN OF SHELBY WILLIAMS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SY), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90309c0213 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MANFRED STEINFELD, CHAIRMAN OF SHELBY WILLIAMS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SY), BOUGHT 111,491 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90309c0214 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, MANFRED STEINFELD, CHAIRMAN OF SHELBY WILLIAMS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SY), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,718,491.

-30- 341
#90309c0216 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, A J MILLER, DIR. OF TEJAS GAS CORP. (TICKER: TEJS), SOLD 3,125 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,127.

-30- 298
#90309c0217 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, BRADCO SUPPLY CORP, BEN. OWNER OF TRIANGLE HOME PRODUCTS (TICKER: THP), BOUGHT 13,100 SHARES AT $0.46 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,800.

-30- 337
#90309c0218 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JAMES E UPFIELD, CHAIRMAN OF TEMTEX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TMTX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,161,100.

-30- 323
#90309c0219 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, DAVID E CLIPPINGER, DIR. OF TRISTATE BANCORP (THE) (TICKER: TRIB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,100.

-30- 334
#90309c0220 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LAIRD L LAZELLE, PRES. OF TRISTATE BANCORP (THE) (TICKER: TRIB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,900.

-30- 324
#90309c0221 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, STANLEY P MEYER, DIR. OF TRISTATE BANCORP (THE) (TICKER: TRIB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,490.

-30- 321
#90309c0222 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, PAUL F PETROSKY, DIR. OF TRISTATE BANCORP (THE) (TICKER: TRIB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,515.

-30- 323
#90309c0224 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ROBERT M BARNES, OFFICER OF UNITOG CO. (TICKER: UTOG),

BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 300
#90309c0225 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, THOMAS F PEARSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNITOG CO. (TICKER: UTOG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 191,000.

-30- 326
#90309c0226 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, RANDOLPH K ROLF, PRES. OF UNITOG CO. (TICKER: UTOG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 510,000.

-30- 301
#90309c0227 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JOSEPH RUSSO, VP OF WITCO CORP. (TICKER: WIT), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,750.

-30- 282
#90309c0228 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90309c0229 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90309c0230 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, NAV PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,014,584.

-30- 325
#90309c0232 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RENE L GUERSTER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WEST CO. (TICKER: WST), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90309c0233 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RENE L GUERSTER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WEST CO. (TICKER: WST), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90309c0234 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RENE L GUERSTER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WEST CO. (TICKER: WST), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90309c0235 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RENE L GUERSTER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WEST CO. (TICKER: WST), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,408.

-30- 321
#90309c0236 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

R.M. COCHRAN OWNS 171,805 SHARES (4.94%) OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: SF) OF ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 15 and Nov. 5, 1990 R.M. Cochran purchased 7,000 shares at $4 to $4.63 per share and sold 25,000 shares at $4.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 497
#90309c0237 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ARDSLEY PARTNERS OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 797,200 SHARES (8.60%) OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYS INC (TICKER: OUCH) OF SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 28, 1990 and Oct. 12, 1990 Ardsley Partners purchased 140,000 shares at $10.28 to $19.75 per share and sold 29,800 shares at $13.92 to $17.24 per share.

-30- 563
#90309c0238 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY DESNICK GROUP OWNS 5,041,875 SHARES (76.30%) OF MEDICAL MANAGEMENT OF AMERICA (TICKER: MMOA) OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Under a proposed transaction the Desnick Group will contribute all of its common shares to a newly formed company, New MMA Inc. MMA will be merged with and into Medical Management of America Inc. Each issuer share will be converted into the right to receive $8.25.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of all of the equity ownership of Medical Management of America Inc.

-30- 736
#90309c0240 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY ANGELICOUSSIS SHIPHOLDING GROUP LTD OWNS 1,085,290 SHARES (15.30%) OF ANANGEL AMERICAN SHIPHOLDING (TICKER: ASIP) OF PIRACUS, GREECE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Angelicoussis Shipholding Group LTD own 63.33 percent of the combined class A and B shares outstanding of Anagel American Shipholding. The stake of Angelicoussis Shipholding Group LTD has increased as Anagel American Shipholding has repurchased outstanding shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Angelicoussis Shipholding Group LTD purchased 62,644 shares from Sept. 27 to Oct. 31, 1990 for $8.94 to $10 per share.

-30- 799
#90309c0241 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY V.A. SMITH OWNS 124,978 SHARES (5.30%) OF METRO BANCSHARES INC (TICKER: MTBS) OF JERICHO, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

V.A. Smith purchased 20,000 shares from Oct. 22-24, 1990 for $4.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 450
#90309c0242 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY FUND AMERICAN COS INC OF GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT OWNS 8,488,841 SHARES (37.59%) OF LONE STAR TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: LSST) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

FAC purchased 800,000 preferred shares from Fireman's Fund Insurance Co. for $15,000,000 on an unspecified date.

-30- 501
#90309c0243 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWNS 2,166,278 SHARES (10.20%) OF TRITON ENERGY CORP (TICKER: OIL) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 29, 1990, representatives of Industrial Equity Pacific LTD met with Triton Energy Corp.'s general counsel and president and CEO. At the meeting, IEP presented a proposal to privately place convertible debt or equity to assist Triton its cash flow needs. The Triton representatives reacted dubiously to the proposal due to current market conditions but stated that Triton is planning further restructuring implementing many points that IEP has proposed.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Industrial Equity Pacific LTD sold 47,500 shares from Sept. 7-11, 1990 for $12.25 to $12.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 1005
#90309c0244 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 766,845 SHARES (7.01%) OF TVX BROADCAST GROUP INC (TICKER: TVXG) OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 80,195 shares from Sept. 6 to Nov. 1, 1990 for

$7.63 to $9.19 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 523
#90309c0245 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Since FMR is no longer the beneficial owner of any of the shares outstanding, it has no further reporting obligation.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 24, 190, FMR sold 40,622 shares at a price of $4.12 per share.

-30- 418
#90309c0246 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MA OWNS 1,820,668 SHARES (9.19%) OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC (TICKER: MEDC) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 16, 1990 through Oct. 17, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 149,200 shares at a price of $31.17 to $37.93 per share, sold 371,200 shares at a price of $30.69 to $47.90 per share and converted $1 million in debentures into 20,770 shares at $44.02 to $47.90 per share.

-30- 612
#90309c0248 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

PACUS UK LTD OWNS 4,998,734 SHARES (31.92%) OF BELLWETHER EXPLORATION CO (TICKER: BELW) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pacus UK LTD is reporting the transfer to it of the company's common stock previously held by Barntex Inc. and Barnard Louisiana Inc. on Nov. 1, 1990 to Pacus (UK) Ltd., Pacus UK LTD, for consideration in the amount of $1,874,535.25.

PURPOSE:

Liquidation and disposition of shares.

-30- 624
#90309c0249 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

B. SEPTIMUS OWNS 1,663,000 SHARES (22.50%) OF CREATIVE TECHNOLOGIES CORP (TICKER: CRTV) OF BROOKLYN, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

B. Septimus acquired the shares for $78,250.

PURPOSE:

For investment upon exercise of warrants.

-30- 446
#90309c0250 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY CGI CORP OWNS 398,000 SHARES (16.20%) OF COMPUTER HORIZONS CORP (TICKER: CHRZ) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 339
#90309c0251 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY AMA FINANCIAL CORP OWNS 563,353 SHARES (9.80%) OF NORTHEAST FEDERAL CORP (TICKER: NSB).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Oct. 29, 1990, Abraham D. Gosman resigned from the board of Northeast Federal Corp. and, on behalf of himself and AMA, waived all rights to have Gossman elected to and serve on the board.

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#90309c0252 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.A. WINSHALL OWNS 283,516 SHARES (12.10%) OF PARLEX CORP. (TICKER: PRLX) OF METHUEN, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 25, 1990, W.A. Winshall purchased 55,000 shares at a price of $2.625 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 442
#90309c0253 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 4,845,900 SHARES (6.70%) OF MANPOWER INC (TICKER: MAN).

PURPOSE:

This amendment is filed to show an increase in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

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#90309c0254 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 1,422,500 SHARES (7.60%) OF AMERICAN PRESIDENT CO LTD (TICKER: APS) OF OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA.

PURPOSE:

This amendment is filed to show an increase in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

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#90309c0256 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.R. WOODY JR OWNS 823,337 SHARES (21.90%) OF MICROWAVE LABORATORIES INC (TICKER: MWAV) OF RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 26, 1990, W.R. Woody Jr. purchased 189,999 shares at a price of $0.30 per share.

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#90309c0257 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 325,159 SHARES (4.88%) OF WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE INC (TICKER: WWW) OF ROCKFORD, MICHIGAN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

FMR is no longer the beneficial owner of more than 5 percent of the number of shares outstanding and has no further reporting obligations.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 2 through Oct. 22, 1990, FMR Corp. sold 84,200 shares at a price of $6.31 to $7.88 per share.

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#90309c0258 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 417,200 SHARES (10.32%) OF COGNEX CORP (TICKER: CGNX) OF NEEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 25 through Oct. 26, 1990, 43,000 shares were acquired at a price of $25.38 TO $26.50 per share.

-30- 436
#90309c0259 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FUNDAMENTAL MANAGEMENT CORP OF MIAMI, FLORIDA OWNS 437,200 SHARES (5.60%) OF ARX INC (TICKER: ARX) OF PLAINVIEW, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 25, 1990 Fundamental Management Corp. purchased 437,200 shares at a price of $3.56 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90309c0260 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 6) COMTEX - Midvale, Utah-based Utah Medical Products Inc. (TICKER: UTMD) has agreed to acquire Multi-Technology Inc., a Salt Lake City maker of high-tech disposable laboratory products, for an undisclosed price, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 5, 1990.

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#90309c0261 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 6) COMTEX - Branchburg, N.J.-based Air & Water Technologies Corp. has agreed to acquire the assets and assume the liabilities of the analytical division of Irvine, Calif.-based Laser Precision Corp.(TICKER: LASR) for about $5 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 5, 1990.

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#90309c0262 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 6) COMTEX - Signal Hill, Calif.-based Home Interestate Bancorp has acquired The Torrance National Bank of Torrance, Calif., for 547,411 Home Interstate common shares and $8.2 million cash, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 5, 1990.

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#90309c0264 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.R. MARMOR OWNS 1,211,533 SHARES (18.20%) OF SOUTH TEXAS DRILLING & EXPLORATION INC OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 24, 1990, Rowan Companies Inc. sold for $10,000 to Mr. Marmor an option effective as of Aug. 30, 1990, to purchase at any time and from time to time during the period Aug. 30, 1990 to Aug. 15, 1993 at an exercise price of $.666 per share in cash up to 750,000 shares of common stock of South Texas owned by Rowan in whole multiples of 50,000 shares.

PURPOSE:

Option sale.

-30- 748

#90309c0265 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY PANAYOTIS TSAKOS OWNS 362,300 SHARES (12.07%) OF GLOBAL OCEAN CARRIERS LTD (TICKER: GLO) OF PIRAEUS, GREECE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 25, 1990 through Nov. 1, 1990, Panayotis Tsakos purchased 61,000 shares at a total aggregate price of $282,240.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

-30- 526
#90309c0266 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY WR GRACE & CO OWNS 996,314 SHARES (4.80%) OF NOXSO CORP (TICKER: NOXO).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Grace-Conn. exercised the option with respect to 25,231 shares of common stock on Sept. 24, 1990 and 25,231 shares of common stock on Oct. 23, 1990 for a total aggregate price of $113,892.74.

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#90309c0267 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY KUWAM CORP OF WASHINGTON, D.C. OWNS 351,000 SHARES (8.20%) OF STUARTS DEPT STORES INC (TICKER: STUS) OF HOPKINTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From April 5, 1990 through Oct. 24, 1990, Kuwam Corp. purchased 73,100 shares at a price of $1 to $2.25 per share and sold 51,000 shares at a price of $1 to $1.75 per share.

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#90309c0268 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 315,000 SHARES (2.90%) OF VENTREX LABORATORIES INC (TICKER: VTRX) OF PORTLAND, MAINE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 9 through Oct. 25, 1990, Fidelity International LTD sold 172,500 shares at a price of $.37 to $.55 per share.

-30- 483
#90309c0269 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 2,137,330 SHARES (13.04%) OF NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP INC (TICKER: NMG) OF CHESTNUT HILL, MASSACHUSETTS.

PURPOSE:

For investment

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#90309c0270 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

C.W. SUGGS OWNS 1,889,888 SHARES (57.70%) OF PETROLEUM HELICOPTERS INC (TICKER: PHEL) OF HARAHAN, LOUISIANA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Petroleum Helicopters Inc. repurchased 473,638 shares, which reduced the number of shares outstanding and increasing C.W. Suggs's stake. Offshore Navigation Inc., who's shares may be deemed to be owned by C.W. Suggs, transferred 159,852 shares to Petroleum Helicopters Inc. in exchange for 213,516 of ONI's shares.

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#90309c0272 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 2, 1990, the company received a letter dated Oct. 31, 1990 enclosing a motion for preliminary injunction in connection with the complaint entitled Alan R. Kahn v. The B. Manischewitz Co. et al.

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#90309c0273 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY E.S. BUCHANAN OF BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 50,700 SHARES (2.39%) OF WESTPORT BANCORP (TICKER: WBAT) OF WESTPORT, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

E.S. Buchanan sold 128,328 shares from Aug. 28 to Oct. 26, 1990 for $5 to $5.75 per share and purchased 5,000 shares on Oct. 30, 1990 for $4.88 per share.

-30- 527
#90309c0274 11/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY A. BERGVALL OWNS 510,100 SHARES (12.50%) OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD (TICKER: BHO) OF HAMILTON, BERMUDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

A. Bergvall purchased 45,000 shares on Oct. 24, 1990 for $10 per share.

-30- 419
#90309d0090 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (NOV. 5) - Violent clashes between Palestinians and the Israeli army in the occupied Gaza Strip abated on Monday.

During the past three days, several Palestinians had been killed and more than 500 injured, some of them seriously.

Only sporadic clashes were reported on Monday. According to Arab sources, several Palestinians were hurt.

A curfew remained in effect for three refugee camps as well as other parts of the Gaza Strip, and the entire region was still off-limits to journalists.

On Sunday, the government of Prime Minister Itzhak Shamir had rejected the final report by United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar on the October 8 bloody clash on Jerusalem's Temple Mount, saying it was ''one-sided''.

It said it would continue to refuse to cooperate with a U.N. commission since that would ''undermine Israel's sovereignty''.

Perez had proposed convening a conference of the signatory states of the Fourth Geneva Convention to discuss ways to protect Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories.

The number of Palestinians who died on Temple Mount has been put at between 16 and 21.

-30- 1346

#90309d0130 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 5) - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said in an interview aired here Monday that a ''very strict'' embargo could force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

''We hope that the embargo will work. The embargo needs time and patience,'' he told French television.

''If there is a very strict embargo, we will avoid spilling blood and will force (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein to withdraw to his territory and to leave Kuwait independent,'' Mr. Mubarak added, about the occupation continuing after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait August 2.

He said however that ''negotiations (with Iraq) without a total pull-out would never work.''

''It is not acceptable. It is what he (Mr. Hussein) would like but if he wants to negotiate he must withdraw totally from Kuwait,'' Mr. Mubarak said.

He said that at that point it would be necessary ''to place an Arab force'' between Iraq and Kuwait.

-30- 1092
#90309d0140 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (NOV. 5) - The Israeli parliament, the Knesset, rejected Monday a censure motion presented by five opposition parties against the government for its policy on the integration of Soviet Jewish immigrants.

The motion presented by the Labor, Ratz, Shinuwi, Mapam and Khadash parties was voted down by 57-50 with two abstentions, Knesset sources said.

The opposition was protesting the policy of the right-wing government of Yitzhak Shamir, which it said had failed to deliver on pledges of accommodation and jobs for Soviet Jewish immigrants.

Some 134,000 immigrants, mostly Soviet Jews, have arrived in Israel so far this year, and another 75,000 are expected before January.

-30- 883
#90309d0200 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (NOV. 5) - The German Communist Party (KPD), which was absorbed by the Socialist Unity Party (SED) when the Communists came to power in East Germany in 1946, announced Monday that it was demanding the return of all its confiscated money and assets.

The KPD, which reconstituted in East Germany earlier this year, said it was seeking the compensation from the SED's successor, the Party of Democratic Socialism (PDS).

The demand includes the return of Karl Liebknecht House, a Berlin building named after the Spartakist leader who was killed in a leftwing attempt on power in 1919, and of a former KPD school near the city.

The Social Democratic Party (SPD), which was also taken over in East Germany by the SED and reconstituted there in October 1989, is also claiming the return of a number of assets from the PDS.

Leaders of the PDS say the party has assets ranging from two billion to four billion Deutsche marks (1.33 billion to 2.66 billion dollars).

-30- 1168
#90309d0270 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HELSINKI (NOV. 5) - Finnish firm Nokia has concluded a major deal with the French TDF Radio Service to deliver tens of thousands more pagers to France, it was announced here Monday.

The value of the deal was not revealed.

"This agreement further reinforces Nokia's already strong position as the principal equipment supplier to France's countrywide paging equipment network", Nokia said.

Nokia delivers pagers to the United States, France, Sweden Hungary, Norway and Yugoslavia, and the company said that paging service using radio networks is growing throughout the world, especially in Europe.

Nokia also said it has signed an deal with Qualcomm Inc. of San Diego, California, that will enable Nokia to develop and market mobile phones using Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA), a digital transmission technology.

"This will reinforce Nokia's strong position in the U.S. market", the company said.

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#90309d0330 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (NOV. 5) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1.319,00 (1.347,00) 1.315,50 (1.338,50)
Lead 371,00 (371,00) 374,50 (374,50)
Zinc Sh 1.286,00 (1.293,00) 1.286,50 (1.291,00)
Tin 6.195,00 (6.200,00) 6.190,00 (6.195,00)
Aluminium 1.747,50 (1.877,50) 1.659,00 (1.709,00)
Nickel 8.787,50 (8.850,00) 8.368,50 (8.387,50)

(last three in dollars per ton)

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#90309d0400 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 5) - At least 17 people were killed and 60 injured when an explosion occurred at a petrochemical complex near the Indian city of Bombay late Monday evening, the United News of India (Uni) news agency reported.

Police reports said that at least 20 of the injured were in critical condition.

The cause of the explosion was unclear.

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#90309d0480 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV 5) - Farm and trade ministers of the European Economic

Community (EEC) took a break after nearly three hours of talks here aimed at finding a compromise on farm price subsidies, with no solution in sight.

The EEC is the last major trade bloc not yet to have reached firm proposals on subsidy cuts for a trade conference early next month to complete the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

In their sixth round of talks to reach a compromise on which all 12 EEC countries could agree, France and Germany remained firm that their farmers needed more help than the other 10 members would accept, diplomats said.

British Agricultural Minister John Gummer told journalists that France and Germany "were being thoroughly nationalistic".

"Everyone thought we were near to a solution, but everyone found good reason why they should not agree (on a compromise)," he said.

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#90309d0680 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV 5) - The United Nations Human Rights Commission special envoy, Sadako Ogata, met Monday in Rangoon with Burma's general election commission, official Rangoon Radio said.

The radio, monitored here, did not elaborate on the content of the talks.

The meeting included six members of the central Burmese election commission, led by chairman U Ba Htay.

Mrs. Ogata, who arrived in the Burmese capital Saturday for week-long visit, is expected to prepare a report on human rights in Burma.

She also met Monday with Burmese Foreign Ministry Director-General Ohn Gyaw at the ministry, the radio said without elaborating.

Mr. Ohn Gyaw hosted a dinner in Mrs. Ogata's honor at the Krawait hotel in Rangoon late Monday, it said.

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#90309d0910 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (NOV 5) - Yugoslavian Foreign Minister Budimir Loncar is to travel ''soon'' to Baghdad to ''contribute'' to peace efforts in the crisis caused by Iraq's occupation of Kuwait, vice foreign minister Milivoje Maksic said here Monday.

Mr. Maksic said Yugoslavia was mandated to do this as acting president of the non-aligned movement, the official Tanjug news agency reported.

Yugoslavia considers the situation in the Gulf ''more and more dramatic,'' Mr. Maksic said.

Mr. Loncar may also visit other countries in the Gulf, he added.

A U.S.-led military alliance is based in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf to enforce a United-Nations-embargo of Iraq.

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#90309d0990 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (NOV. 5) - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher arrived here Monday from London for the Second World Conference on the Environment, airport sources said.

Mrs. Thatcher, under criticism at home for her stand against a single European currency, made no comment at the airport.

Jordanian King Hussein, who also arrived here Monday for the conference, said he would meet with Mrs. Thatcher here.

Britain is part of a U.S.-led military alliance in the Gulf to enforce a United Nations embargo of Iraq for its occupation of Kuwait.

-30- 736

#90309d1070 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 5) - Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens said Monday in Tel Aviv that Iraq was ''still far from having military nuclear capabilities.''

''According to our estimates, Iraq has not yet obtained military nuclear capabilities,''' Mr. Arens told a meeting of U.S. and Israeli businessmen.

''If the world stops the transfer of technologies and parts, it will take the Iraqis a long time to develop a nuclear weapon,'' he said.

But he warned that if it got transfers and parts, Iraq would succeed in developing such a weapon.

"Maybe Iraq does have uranium mines, but the the road from this to produce the enriched uranium needed to make arms is very long,'' Mr. Arens said.

(The U.S. television network CBS said Monday that Iraq has a secret uranium mine near the Turkish border.

(A documentary aired October 13 on a private British television station made much the same claim.)

Mr. Arens said the crisis caused by Iraq's occupation of Kuwait was costing Israel about one billion dollars.

''We have had to increase our vigilance, buy material, call up several units of reserves, deploy forces to reach the necessary level of preparation,'' the defense minister said.

''This has cost us almost one billion dollars,'' he said.

Mr. Arens said these expenses and the Middle East arms race provoked by the Gulf crisis justified an increase in U.S. military aid to Israel from the current level of 1.8 billion dollars to 2.5 billion dollars.

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#90309d1090 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH (NOV. 5) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker met with Saudi Arabia's King Fahd in the Red Sea port city of Jeddah Monday to discuss the Gulf crisis the Saudi Press Agency reported.

Also present at the meeting at King Fahd's office were Crown Prince Abdullah, Defence Minister Prince Sultan, Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal, Prince Bandar bin Sultan, the Saudi ambassador in Washington, and the U.S. Ambassador in Riyadh, Charles Freeman. Spa gave no details of discussions.

Gulf-based western diplomats said the outcome of Baker's talks with Saudi leaders would be crucial for any political or military move that might be planned by the United States to force Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw his troops from Iraqi-annexed Kuwait.

Earlier, Baker discussed the Gulf conflict with Kuwait's exiled ruler, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, at the latter's temporary residence in the Saudi summer resort of Taif.

The U.S. Secretary, who was believed to be seeking a mandate to use military force against Iraq, said Monday the Gulf crisis was ''entering a new phase.''

In a statement to journalists after meeting with Jaber, Baker said the United States had to be ready ''to exercise any options'' to solve the Gulf crisis.

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#90309d1110 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (NOV. 5) - A famous love song has hit a sour note for another high-profile Brazilian, the local press reported Monday.

The leader of Brazil's presidential band has been placed under house arrest

for commanding the ensemble to play "Besame Mucho" ("Kiss Me a Lot") instead of a march during a recent military ceremony honoring the economy minister who had been embroiled in a sex scandal with the former justice minister.

Lieutenant Geraldo Mendonca de Lima, band leader of "The Dragons of Independence," was to be held for three days for ordering the band to play the bolero to Economy Minister Melle Zelia Cardoso de Mello.

Ms. Cardoso de Mello was familiar with the song. She had danced 20 minutes cheek-to-cheek to the famous bolero with then-justice minister Bernardo Cabral during her 37th birthday party in October.

A few days later, Mr. Cabral, a 58-year-old husband and father of three, resigned when it was revealed the two ministers were having an affair.

Lt. Mendonca de Lima has become the song's second victim, the press said.

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#90309d1120 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 5) - Germany wants to sign major cooperation treaties with Poland and Czechoslovakia similar to the one it is to conclude with the Soviet Union, Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said here.

In an interview to be published Tuesday in the German daily Westdeutsche Zeitung, Mr. Genscher stressed ''the desire of the German government to strengthen its ties with its neighbors to the East.''

''We do not want Europe divided by levels of lifestyle and different economies '' he added.

Soviet President Mihail Gorbachev is to visit Germany from November 9-11 to sign with German Chancellor Helmut Kohl a German-Soviet treaty of good neighborliness, partnership and cooperation.

The treaty, given a preliminary signing September 13 in Moscow, ''aims to support the political reforms (in the Soviet Union), the success of which we are all interested in,'' Mr. Genscher said.

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#90309d1370 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (NOV 5) - Foreign ministers of the EEC on Monday repeated their "unanimous determination" to stand firm against Iraq over Western hostages it is holding, in line with a decision taken by an EEC summit meeting here a week ago.

The ministers of the 12 countries of the European Community meeting here

however made no reference to the controversial visit to Baghdad of former West German chancellor Willy Brandt.

The decision to uphold the EEC summit decision of October 28, was announced here by Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis.

At the summit the EEC decided to avoid any official mission to negotiate the release of hostages and to discourage private initiatives.

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#90309d1620 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH (NOV 6) - The United States and Saudi Arabia have reached agreement on the command of U.S. forces on Saudi territory in the event they engage Iraqi forces "outside the kingdom", a senior U.S. official said here Tuesday.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, who met here Monday with Saudi King Fahd, said the Gulf crisis was entering a "new phase" in which the use of military force could not be ruled out.

"The joint command that currently exists will continue and there will be certain ways of handling matters if the issue is one of defense of the kingdom and other ways of handling things if the issue should become one of action, let's say outside the kingdom," the U.S. official said.

He said there would be an "agreement at the highest political level between the two governments if those kind of activities are undertaken."

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#90309d1790 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 5) - Almost 70 percent of Americans think the United States will become involved in a war with Iraq and most favor attacking Iraq if hostages are harmed, a poll released Monday said.

The ABC News poll also said two-thirds of those polled approve of the stationing of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, while 31 percent believe U.S. forces should have stayed out of the Gulf.

The survey, conducted November 2-4 among a random sampling of 1,093 voters, said 56 percent favored attacking Iraq if it mistreated U.S. hostages and 51 percent wanted such action if the U.N.-mandated economic embargo failed to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

Almost seven in 10 of those polled expected the United States and Iraq would go to war. Nethertheless, an equal number want U.S. President George Bush to gain permission from Congress before going to battle.

The poll also said the approval rating for U.S. President George Bush had jumped from 51 percent last week to 59 percent. This is the second best mid-term approval rating of a U.S. president since modern opinion polls began. The best mid-term rading was enjoyed by John F. Kennedy, with a 61 percent approval rate in October 1962.

Meanwhile Monday, the Reverend Jesse Jackson, who visited Iraq in August, urged Baghdad's ambassador to the United States to pursuade his government to provide food, water and electricity to the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait.

Mr. Jackson, a former Democratic presidential hopeful, also asked Ambassador Mohamed al-Mashat for Iraq to arrange an airlift so American hostages could be home by Christmas.

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#90309d1860 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV 6) - The leader of India's ruling Janata Dal Chandra Shekhar firmly believes that the country ''will be reduced to a banana republic'' if the Indian economy is opened to multinational companies.

He is also against the concept of free market economy, saying it would only lead to more foreign debts.

Chandra Shekhar, 63, is from central Uttar Pradesh state and believes in the virtues of socialism. Unfazed by criticism that his economic philosophy is out of touch with reality, he takes pride in his dogmatism.

''I have not changed my views and beliefs for 20 years. I will rather suffer poverty, hunt ger and degradation than face economic subjugation by foreign powers,'' he maintains.

Eldest of three brothers of an influential land-owning family in Ballia district of Uttar Pradesh, Shekhar had his initiation into politics in 1958 when he joined the now-defunct Prajatantra Socialist Party of India.

He holds a masters degree in political science from Allahabad University. The curious fact about his political career is that he has never held any public office before in his life, although many offers came his way.

He made it as a topline political leader solely by holding party posts. He was the president of the Janata Party when the opposition was in power between 1977 to 1979.

When the seven-party National Front coalition swept to power in the November 1989 elections, he behaved as if he was ordained to be the prime minister of India.

But a twist of fate robbed him of his chance when Vishwanath Pratap Singh beat him to the post. Shekhar never forgave him for this ''treachery and for being cheated'' and at every opportunity sniped at Singh's crisis-ridden government.

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#90309d6240 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 5) - Japanese textile giant Toray Industries Inc. said Monday its net profit rose 4.7 percent from a year earlier to 14 billion yen (102 million U.S. dollars) in the six months to March.

The company, Japan's biggest manufacturer of synthetic fibres, said sales grew 6.5 percent to 290 billion yen (2.1 billion dollars) in the same period.

Sales of fibres and textiles climbed 6.3 percent to 162 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars), reflecting increased sales of high-quality polyester and nylon woven fabrics for sportswear, the company said.

But sales of plastics were unchanged at 79 billion yen (571 million dollars) with stronger sales of resin for office equipment offset by severe pricing competition for polyester film.

Chemical sales advanced 8.9 percent to 19 billion yen (139 million dollars) while sales of new products -- including carbon fibres, pharmaceuticals and electronics -- leapt 24.8 percent to 30 billion yen (217 million dollars).

Toray forecast its net profit for the full year to reach 28 billion yen (203 million dollars) on sales of 585 billion yen (4.2 billion dollars).

-30- 1325

#90309d6310 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 5) - A Taiwan-based regional anti-communist group opened a four-day conference here Monday hailing the fall of hard-line regimes in Eastern Europe but warning that the red menace remains.

Delegates from about a dozen countries including Sri Lanka, Saudi Arabia,

Lebanon, Australia and New Zealand attended the opening of the Asia-Pacific League for Freedom and Democracy (APLFD), formerly known as the Asia-Pacific Anti-Communist League.

Philippine Vice President Salvador Laurel, head of the Philippines' right-wing opposition, told the conference that although communist regimes had fallen before "the tidal wave of freedom and democracy" in Eastern Europe, they had "yet to generate comparable movements in the communist countries of Asia."

He cited Beijing's quashing of the pro-democracy movement in China and the

continuing communist insurgency in the Philippines.

David Chang, chief delegate of the APLFD chapter in Taiwan, warned that the Gulf crisis was threatening the stability of the whole region because of higher oil prices and depressed labor exports to Middle East countries.

"We must particularly beware of what may happen if one or more of those declining communist regimes turn dangerously ambitious and start trying to fish in the troubled waters of the Persian Gulf," he said in an opening statement, without naming any country.

"We have to critically examine the current world situation, paying special attention to the moves of the Marxist-Leninist forces in relation to the Persian Gulf developments," he added.

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SYDNEY (NOV. 5) - John Elliott, who transformed Elders-IXL from a jam factory into a brewing, agricultural and financial giant, was demoted to deputy chairman Monday.

Elders said in a statement from Melbourne that Nobby Clark, former managing director of the National Australia Bank, the country's second largest, had been appointed chairman.

Two representatives from Japan's Asahi Breweries Ltd., which has bought a 20 per cent stake in Elders, will be appointed to the board by November 29 at the latest.

"The changes are part of the transformation of Elders IXL into Foster's Brewing Group Ltd. as a pure international brewing company," the statement said.

Mr. Elliott stepped down as chief executive of the group in May but remained chairman.

His demotion to deputy chairman and consultant to the chairman of the board follows the company's announcement in September of a loss of 1.3 billion dollars (one billion U.S.), Australia's largest at the time, for the year to June 30.

Elders' shares plunged to 99 cents in October compared with 2.44 dollars earlier this year, due to fears about the massive debt problems of Elders' largest shareholder, Harlin Holdings Ltd.

Harlin was the management buyout vehicle used by Mr. Elliott and other company executives to gain control of more than 50 per cent of Elders.

Harlin recently sold a 17 per cent stake in Elders to Asahi Breweries.

The statement said that the board changes "reflect the intended introduction of Asahi Breweries Ltd. as a substantial shareholder holding 20 per cent of capital in the company and the consequent reduction in Harlin Holding's shareholding to 39 per cent."

Elders shares closed up 14 cents at 1.34 dollars Monday.

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TOKYO (NOV. 5) - Japan's Asahi Breweries Ltd. said it agreed Monday to buy 17 percent of Australia's Elders-IXL Ltd. at a sharply reduced price, boosting its stake in the brewing and agricultural company to 19.9 percent.

A spokesman said Asahi agreed to buy 380 million Elders shares from Harlin Holdings Pty. Ltd., a debt-ridden management buy-out vehicle controlled by Elders executives, for around 760 million Australian dollars (590 million U.S).

That compares with Asahi's initial offer of 960 million dollars (745 million U.S.) for the full stake of 19.9 percent, announced on September 14 before a slump in Elders' share price forced the deal to be renegotiated.

Harlin announced last month that it had renegotiated the deal, saying that

Asahi would buy fewer shares from Harlin and buy the rest on the market, but did not disclose the revised purchase price.

The new price values the company at two dollars (1.56 U.S.) per share compared with the initial offer of 2.15 dollars per share (1.68 U.S.).

Elders shares were trading at 1.57 dollars (1.23 U.S.) when the original plan was announced. But they plunged to as low as 99 cents (78 cents) last month following the announcement of a record loss and rumours that British authorities would restrict a separate transaction.

Asahi, Japan's second-biggest brewer, has said it plans to produce Elders' Fosters Lager under licence in Japan and has similar ideas for its highly-successful "Super Dry" beer in Australia. The company already produces Coors beer from the United States under licence in Japan.

The deal was seen as crucial to reduce Harlin's debt, estimated at around 2.9 billion dollars (2.3 billion U.S.).

Harlin, controlled by Elders chief executive John Elliot, acquired just over half of Elders' shares at three dollars each (2.34 U.S.).

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#90309d6460 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (NOV. 5) - A top government official Monday urged the Kuala Lumpur Commodity Exchange (KLCE) to introduce trading in timber, palm kernel oil and financial futures.

"The development of a multi-commodity futures market in Malaysia will play a key role in facilitating trade in commodities and in tying up with capital and financial markets," Minister of Primary Industries Lim Keng Yaik said.

He said financial futures like currency exchange rates would make the 10-year-old KLCE a more attractive market.

The exchange offers seven futures contracts in palm oil, natural rubber, tin and cocoa but only the crude palm oil contract is successful with trading volume growing by 59 percent annually in the past four years.

In a lull, speculators desert the market because they have no alternative counters to trade in, dealers said.

Dr. Lim said the rubber contracts were dormant because rubber was now treated as a manufactured good and not as a commodity while the tin and cocoa contracts faced competition from establised markets in London and Chicago.

He said, however, that the KLCE should not be disheartened by the failure of some of its products to take off immediately but should introduce new contracts that would bring in a new set of players and members to the exchange.

"The government has adopted a pragmatic approach and has been very supportive of the efforts of the exchange to make its market viable," Dr. Lim said.

"It will continue to consider favourably requests by the exchange for appropriate incentives because it would like to see Kuala Lumpur emerge as an active and viable futures market in the Asia-Pacific region," he said.

The International Monetary Fund, in a recent study on the KLCE, said that if government policy was to make Kuala Lumpur a leading financial centres it had to look into introducing financial futures on the KLCE.

Analysts said it was unlikely that financial futures could be introduced in Malaysia in the next few years because the governing authorities feel that banking institutions in the country are not ready.

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#90309d6490 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 5) - Japanese pharmaceutical company Shionogi and Co. Ltd. said Monday its net profit dropped 27.6 percent from a year earlier to 4.1 billion yen (30 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Sales rose 1.9 percent to 109 billion yen (790 million dollars) in the same period. The company said the profit decline reflected lower drug prices and increased costs arising from a weaker yen along with research and development.

Shionogi forecast a net profit of 11.4 billion yen (83 million dollars) for the year to March with sales reaching 225 billion yen (1.6 billion dollars).

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TOKYO (NOV. 5) - Japan's Nissan Motor Co. Ltd. said Monday its net profit rose 16.5 percent from a year earlier to 46.8 billion yen (339 million dollars) in the six months to September, spurred by record sales at home.

The company, the country's second-biggest automaker, said sales grew seven percent to 2.05 trillion yen (15 billion dollars).

Sales of motor vehicles edged up 0.2 percent to 1.18 million units with domestic sales climbing 8.4 percent to a record 717,915 units, while exports sagged 10.4 percent to 462,979 units, the company said.

Car sales fell 0.1 percent overall to 979,129 while sales of commercial vehicles rose 1.5 percent to 20,176 units.

"Nissan's strong performace," said vice president Atsushi Muramatsu, "directly reflects robust conditions in the domestic market." He warned, however, that the Gulf crisis, higher interest rates and a stronger yen "will contribute to a more difficult operating environment in the second half."

By value, vehicle sales rose 8.6 percent to 1.69 trillion yen (12 billion dollars) while sales of parts for overseas production fell 3.5 percent to 123 billion yen (891 million dollars). Sales of other parts climbed 1.6 percent to 191 billion yen (1.4 billion dollars), the company said.

Sales of industrial machinery and marine products declined 3.9 percent to 25 billion yen (181 million dollars) and sales of textile machinery leapt 23.2 percent to 10 billion yen (73 million dollars). Sales of aerospeace equipment rose 7.9 percent to 12 billion yen (87 million dollars).

Nissan said its net profit for the year to March was expected to rise 5.4 percent to 90 billion yen (652 million dollars) with sales expanding 2.4 per cent to 4.1 trillion yen (30 billion dollars).

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#90309d6640 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bangkok (NOV. 5) - Some 51,000 Vietnamese were allowed to leave their country in the first nine months of this year under the official Orderly Departure Programme (Odp), according to an official news report received here Monday.

The Saigon Giai Phong newspaper said a total of 70,000 Vietnamese would be allowed to leave under the programme this year. Some 100,000 ''will be granted exit permits in 1991'', the paper added.

Vietnam, in its efforts to improve relations with the West, introduced the Odp as an an humanitarian alternative to dangerous escape routes by refugees aboard boats or across war-torn Cambodia.

Estimates put the total of Vietnamese potentially eligible for resettlement abroad at well over 600,000. Odp participants go mostly to the United States, Canada and Australia, with smaller numbers to France, Germany and other European countries.

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MANILA (NOV. 5) - The Philippines' largest labor group Monday accepted a wage compromise, signalling an open break with left-wing unions threatening to stage another general strike to press for much higher pay.

The conservative Trade Unions Congress of the Philippines (TUCP), which claims more than a million members, said the 17 peso (61 cent) daily wage increase offered by employers and the government would do until the year end.

But there must be no oil price increases until then, and wage levels must be adjusted early next year, TUCP spokesman Homer Punzalan said.

The compromise increase is a 19 percent improvement over previous wage levels. The TUCP earlier supported the left-wing May First Movement (KMU) demand for a 38 peso (1.36 dollar) daily wage increase.

The KMU led a violent general strike in October which led to four deaths and the burning of 24 buses and other vehicles by strikers and communist urban guerrillas.

The government hardened its position after the strike and arrested KMU head Crispin Beltran on sedition charges last week, but allowed him to post bail.

President Corazon Aquino on Sunday stood firm against demands that the government order an increase in wages and warned in a radio broadcast, "I will not allow a repetition of the violence that marred the previous strike."

The government has said it will try to maintain oil prices at their current level for the rest of the year, but oil companies have been petitioning for higher prices, saying the continuing rise in crude prices and the depreciation of the Philippine peso had made imports more expensive.

Mrs. Aquino hiked pump prices by 29 per cent in September and allowed the peso to fall by 8.7 per cent last week to 28 to the U.S. dollar.

Analysts predict another oil price increase and further depreciation of the peso in a few months because of the debt-ridden country's dwindling reserves and domestic financial shortages.

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KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 5 (AFP) - Malaysia, the world's fourth largest cocoa producer, has put back its entry into the troubled International Cocoa Agreement to December, a senior government official said Monday.

"There is no backtracking on what we have announced. We have timed it for December now," Minister of Primary Industries Lim Keng Yaik said.

Dr. Lim had earlier said October was a good time for Malaysia to join the cocoa agreement but the decision was sidetracked by general elections last month.

The minister said he would meet officials of the Malaysian Cocoa Board Thursday to finalise details of a paper to be submitted to the cabinet on Malaysia's participation in the agreement.

"The paper will be put before cabinet within one or two weeks," he said, adding: "We will be a member before the end of the year."

The cocoa pact effectively collapsed in early 1988 in the face of chronic oversupply but was extended until the end of September 1992 albeit without its powers to intervene in the market.

Dealers at the Kuala Lumpur Commodity Exchange said they doubted if Malaysia's participation in the pact would give currently depressed cocoa prices a lift.

"The International Cocoa Organisation (which administers the pact) itself is a failure. It is unable to implement the policies of the agreement because of the economic conditions of its members," one dealer said.

Malaysia has in the past objected to joining the pact saying it failed to address the root problem of overproduction and placed the burden of financing the buffer stock operation on producing members alone.

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MANILA (NOV. 5) - Asia's four "dragons" can join the ranks of fully industrialized countries by the year 2000 if they continue their liberalization programs, a World Bank expert said here Monday.

Taiwan, South Korea, Hong Kong and Singapore should "further open their economies, both politically and economically," Robert Lynn told a conference on regional economic prospects hosted by the Asian Development Bank (ADB).

Mr. Lynn said these four fastest-growing Asian countries, also known as the newly industrializing economies (NIEs), should also "address domestic issues such as reversing the decay in their environment."

"The possibility to join the ranks of the industrialized countries is within reach by the end of the decade," he said.

Mr. Lynn estimated that East Asian countries as a whole will continue to lead the developing world in economic growth, with their gross domestic product expanding by an average five percent in 1990 and 5.8 percent in 1991.

This relatively slower growth from the average 10.5 percent in the last four years stems from a slowdown in China due to a 1988 austerity program to control inflation and slower export growth for the four dragons as their currencies rose.

Mr. Lynn, who works for the World Bank's analysis and prospects division, said the growth projections were made before the Gulf crisis.

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#90309d6870 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (NOV. 5) - Shares in Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. surged Monday following the announcement that the company's Sky Television would merge with rival British Satellite Broadcasting.

The share jump -- by 1.71 Australian dollars to 6.10 dollars -- was also helped by the recent announcement that the media giant would postpone work on new colour printing plants in Australia.

Analysts said the moves would cut the group's expenditure program and ease its cash flow deficiency.

"Murdoch has now got himself into a position to survive the recession no matter how long it lasts," according to George Sutton, of Barclays de Zoete Wedd Australia.

"With the Sky deal and the deferral of other capital expenditure, most of its problems over the next six months can be solved without the need for asset sales," he said.

But other analysts warned that News Corp. still had large debts, especially in the short-term.

Jolanta Masojada from Macquarie Equities said: "It is perhaps surprising the market should react so positively to the latest development with Sky when the underlying problems with the group are still to be resolved."

News Corp. shares have fallen from 10.45 dollars since late September due to investor concern at debts estimated at over 10.5 billion dollars (8.1 billion U.S.) especially at short term debt estimated at about 2.95 billion dollars (2.3 billion U.S.).

The company's net profit fell 43 percent to 282 million dollars (218 million U.S.) in the year to June 30.

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TOKYO (NOV. 5) - Japanese textile firm Toho Rayon Co. Ltd. said Monday its net profit rose 12.7 per cent from a year earlier to 351 million yen (2.5 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, a medium-sized spinner of acrylic, rayon and cotton with the world's largest production capacity for polyacrylonitrile (PAN) carbon fibres, said sales grew 6.6 per cent to 39 billion yen (283 million dollars). Sales of acrylic, rayon, cotton and chemicals rose but raw silk sales fell, it said.

Toho said it boosted its output capacity for PAN carbon fibres, used by a wide range of industries from aerospace to sports equipment, from 1,420 tonnes a year to 2,020 tonnes during the period. But it also said it would have to cut prices due to severe price competition from rivals in South Korea and Taiwan.

The company forecast a net profit of 650 million yen (five million dollars) for the full year with sales reaching 76 billion yen (551 million dollars).

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MOSCOW (NOV. 5) - Leading Soviet economists have bitterly attacked current plans for transition to a market economy, saying the compromise reached by parliament last month is leading the country to economic chaos.

Their scathing criticism follows the federal parliament's decision to merge their own proposals for a radical "500-day programme" with the more cautious

plan put forward by the government of Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov.

The economists, who were members of President Mikhail Gorbachev's economic advisory council, said in an open letter in the reformist Komsomolskaya Pravda newspaper that failure to implement in time their own "500-day programme" now meant that even harsher measures were needed to prevent hyper-inflation.

The article, published this weekend, was co-signed by 13 economists, including Stanislav Shatalin, who headed Mr. Gorbachev's advisory team and Grigori Yavlinsky, who offered to resign his post of Russian Federation deputy premier after the federal Supreme Soviet voted for the compromise plan.

"The waste of time is obvious. The situation is getting worse. The population is losing confidence in the reforms and in the organs of power," the economists said.

The two economic programmes are "incompatible", the economists said.

Failure to agree on a single plan meant that some Soviet republics, such as the Russian Federation, had adopted the "500-day programme" for themselves, with others going along with the government programme or with their own version of reforms.

"Today we are witnessing the worsening of (economic) relations between the republics," the economists said, adding that chances of keeping the country together within an economic union were fast disappearing.

Estonia, for example, has gone ahead with unilateral price increases, the Ukraine has introduced ration coupons to prevent outsiders buying up their goods, and the Russian Federation has moved to increase meat procurement prices ahead of the time set by the federal government, they said.

Measures for "stabilizing the economy", including reduction of the budget deficit to 25-30 billion rubles, were now "totally unworkable", and the deficit would increase in the first quarter of next year, the economists warned.

In addition, if the government proceeded immediately with measures scheduled for next May to compensate low-wage earners for higher prices this would produce hyper-inlation, they added.

Other, much harsher measures, were now needed as the situation had grown worse over time and even the "500-day programme", which the Russian Federation started to implement this month, was now out of date, they said.

"This will be the price we have to pay for our procrastination in September of 1990," the economists said.

The Soviet parliament last month voted to postpone the liberalization of

prices and for a slower timetable in moving away from central controls over the economy.

The plan also delayed abolition of subsidies to money-losing companies and allowed for a much slower denationalization process than that envisaged by the radical plan for passage to a market economy within 500 days.

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Colombo (NOV. 5) - Security forces killed 14 suspected members of the separatist Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam in the northeast of Sri Lanka, military sources said Monday.

The suspects were killed in three separate incidents late Sunday and early Monday near the island of Analaitivu and the eastern Trincomalee district, the sources said.

Officials said the security forces seized arms, rebel literature and communications equipment. Eight soldiers were injured.

In the northwest, troops captured a fuel distribution unit and two makeshift hospitals used by the rebels, who are fighting for a separate homeland for minority Tamils.

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#90309d7010 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (NOV. 5) - Taiwan, faced with possible shortages, may force private factories to cut energy use by 10 percent, fining and cutting off supplies to those that do not, officials said here Monday.

In a conservation plan to be submitted to Economy Minister Vincent Siew for approval this week, officials from the government's energy committee said they had proposed the mandatory 10 percent cut for private factories using more than 500 kilowatts, or 3,000 metric tons of coal, 1,500 kiloliters of oil, and 15 million cubic meters of natural gas.

Proprietors ignoring the plan would face fines of up to 5,500 U.S. dollars and power supplies to repeat violators would be suspended for seven to 30 days, they said.

Government offices, state-run enterprises, and the army have already started energy conservation measures following an energy crisis triggered by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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MANILA (NOV. 5) - President Corazon Aquino announced here Monday that negotiations between the United States and the Philippines on the future of U.S. bases in this country will resume on Thursday.

Mrs. Aquino also reiterated that "we are looking for a new relationship tht is not only confined to security but also on matters of trade, aid, the (foreign) debt, environment, health."

This will be the third round of talks on the future of Subic Naval Station and Clark Air Force Base, both located north of Manila, after their lease expires in September, 1991.

Manila has said it wants to recover the "full sovereignty" of Clark as well as concessions on trade, reduction of the country's 27 billion dollar foreign debt and U.S. action on the possible spread of AIDS and environmental damage allegedly caused by the U.S. presence.

Washington has expressed its willingness to start a "phase down" process of its present military set-up which involves the permanent presence of 16,000 U.S. military in the country.

But while it appears understood that the U.S. Navy would continue to control Subic Bay, Washington has requested "continued access" to Clark.

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#90309d7130 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KAMPALA (NOV. 5) - Uganda has protested Kenya's expulsion of Ugandans in the past two weeks, accusing Kenyan authorities of forcing Ugandans to leave their families and property behind, an immigration official said here Monday.

An estimated 11,000 Ugandans have left Kenya, according to Kenyan press reports, since President Daniel arap Moi ordered the deportation of foreigners living illegally in Kenya on October 20.

Tanzania has lodged similar complaints about the expulsion of about 100 Tanzanians. Kenya has also deported several hundred Rwandans.

The expulsions followed a visit to Nairobi last month by Juvenal Habyarimana, president of Rwanda which was invaded on October 1 by a group of Rwandan exiles based in Uganda.

The Ugandan government has sent a protest note to the Kenyan High Commission here, saying that "while it is the sovereign right of Kenya to expel aliens, this must be done in such a way that families are not separated."

The immigration official told Agence France-Presse on Monday that "Ugandans

who had been living and working legally in Kenya for many years were deported without even being given time to collect their children from school. They were not allowed to take their property with them."

Neither Kenyan nor Ugandan officials were able say how many Ugandans were living in Kenya. The Ugandan official denied Kenyan press reports that Uganda has expelled at least 500 Kenyans in retaliation for the expulsions from Kenya.

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#90309d7160 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Dubai (NOV. 5) - King Hussein of Jordan hinted in an interview published Monday that Kuwait should make territorial concessions to Iraq as a way out of the crisis in the Gulf.

He told the newspaper Gulf News that if diplomacy had been given a chance, the Gulf crisis could have been resolved three days after Iraq invaded its neighbour Kuwait on August 2.

''Lamentably, the counsels of peace and negotiations did not prevail and now we are in a situation which can be of no conceivable benefit to anyone,'' the Jordanian monarch said.

Asked if the most immediate course should be an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait followed by talks between the two sides on their borders, Hussein replied ''And return to the situation we had before the invasion? To go back, in effect, to square one?''

''The essential problem has always been the lack of a defined border. It is essential that there is common agreement on what we all want to achieve, an agreement on a common destination at the end of the crisis,'' the king said.

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#90309d7200 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (NOV. 5) - Private television stations have started mushrooming in Yugoslavia, though they are facing opposition from the local political powers who are also resisting any trend towards nationwide broadcasts.

The latest station to open is in the southern republic of Macedonia. It broadcasts 12 hours of programming daily - mostly films, commercials and video clips -- to the 50,000 residents in and around the southeastern city of Stip.

It joins a series of small, local television stations that have sprung up recently, mostly in Croatia and Slovenia in the northwest.

The largest new independent station is the YUTEL station, which was opened October 23 by a private firm in which the federal government of Ante Markovic

holds the majority shares.

YUTEL hopes to fill the void of television news programs covering all of Yugoslavia's territory but has met with sharp protest in Serbia, the most populous republic where the capital Belgrade is located.

Currently, the television stations in the country's six republics and two autonomous provinces are tightly controlled by the local political authorities, be they communist or non-communist, who have done little to broaden the spectator's choice of news programs.

YUTEL so far can only be seen in the central republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina. It is building its own studio in Belgade, but in the meantime is broadcast from the station in Sarajevo, the capital of Bosnia.

The plans for YUTEL, however, have angered the chairman of Serbian television, Dusan Mitevic. He has blasted YUTEL as a "pirate station" and ordered that mobile transmission relays lent by the army be dismantled.

Under current regulations, in Belgrade only the daily Politika, the organ for Serbian leader Slobodan Milosevic, has the right to access to a television station.

Another station called TV Studio B, which has no party affiliation, has been waiting for months for the allocation of a broadcasting frequency in Belgrade.

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#90309d7390 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 5) - Japan's Mitsui Petrochemical Industries Ltd. said Monday its net profit fell 29.2 percent from a year earlier to 7.2 billion yen (52 million dollars) in the six months to September due to rising material costs.

Sales rose 3.5 percent to 154 billion yen (1.1 billion dollars) with increased turnover of synthetic resins and special purpose chemicals offset by declining sales of other chemical products and basic materials.

Mitsui forecast a net profit 31 billion yen (225 million dollars) in the year to March on sales of 421 billion (3.1 billion dollars).

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#90309d7440 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (NOV. 5) - The government plans to invest 1.94 trillion Taiwan dollars (71 billion U.S.) in industrial, energy and other projects that would make Taiwan rank with the developed world in six years, officials said Monday.

Under the proposed six-year national plan beginning next July, Taiwan's economic ministry is to earmark 1.1 trillion Taiwan dollars (40.29 billion U.S.) for 135 development projects.

Those projects on behalf of 10 state enterprises involve energy exploration, improvement in pollution control facilities and development of the steel, chemicals and heavy machinery industries, the officials said.

The energy plan, designed to ease the island's heavy reliance on energy imports, will take up 94 percent of the 1.1 trillion dollar budget.

The ministry would also allocate an additional 840 billion Taiwan dollars (30.77 billion U.S.) to build more industrial parks and develop water resources, they said.

Annual economic growth for Taiwan for the six years has been set at seven percent and the planned government investment would contribute about two per cent to such growth, they said.

The 1991-1996 economic package is designed to increase national income, stimulate industrial development, upgrade living stardards, balance development in different areas, and promote recreational and cultural activities.

The overall budget for the six-year plan, under final discussion at the Council for Economic Planning and Development, is around five trillion Taiwan dollars (183 billion U.S.).

The Taiwan Finance Ministry had said that it would float government bonds to raise funds for the wideranging projects.

Last year, 51.5 percent of the energy consumed in Taiwan came from oil, 26 percent from coal and 13 percent from nuclear power. About 99 percent of the oil was imported by the state-run Chinese Petroleum Corporation at a daily average of 430,000 barrels.

The officials added that the ministry would have a separate budget to set up a 10 billion Taiwan dollar (366.3 million U.S.) fund to help the country's 773,000 small- and medium-size firms upgrade their operations and boost competitiveness in overseas markets.

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#90309d7500 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN (NOV. 5) - Germany produced a 7.7 billion mark (5.13 billion dollar) foreign trade surplus in September, down sharply from 12.5 billion marks in September 1989, the Federal Office of Statistics reported here Monday.

The office said exports in September fell seven per cent to 52.7 billion marks while imports increased two per cent to 45 billion.

The figures represent Germany as a whole, whereby the basis for comparison to a year ago, when there was still the separate East Germany, is comprised of Deutschmark-denominated transactions, the office said.

In the first nine months of 1990, the total German trade surplus came to 91.8 billion marks, down from 104.4 billion in the same period last year.

The office noted that while western Germany exported 479.5 billion marks and imported 395.6 billion marks worth of goods in the first nine months, eastern Germany's foreign trade was much more modest, with exports totalling 28.1 billion and imports 20.1 billion marks.

Combined, the export total of 507.6 billion marks was virtually unchanged from the corresponding year-ago period, while imports of 415.8 billion marks were 3.5 per cent higher, the office said.

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#90309d7750 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (NOV. 5) - The South African firm Select Equipment Services of Germiston, east of Johannesburg, announced it was planning to make Polish equipment under licence next year, on the first day of a groundbreaking South African-Polish trade fair here Monday.

Willie Randall, Select's sales manager, told Agence France-Presse his firm hoped to build Huta Stalowa Wola earth movers and front-end loaders in Germiston, making the framework locally and importing the power train from Poland to be assembled at the plant.

Select was selling wholly imported Huta Stalowa Wola machines at the trade fair, and had already sold a front-end loader worth 380,000 rand (152,000 dollars) to a diamond-mining firm in Wolmaransstad in the western Transvaal, Mr. Randall said.

The fair, seen as an indication of the extent to which anti-apartheid sanctions have crumbled, was otherwise quiet Monday.

Andrzej Zawislak, chairman of Poland's Special Parliamentary Committee for Privatisation, and Edward Wojtulewicz, general director of Poland's biggest steelmaker Impexmetal, are among the top officials in town.

Mr. Zawislak told AFP the visitors had not consulted the black nationalist African National Congress, the prime proponent of sanctions, before coming and had no intention of talking to them.

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#90309d8030 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 5) - The European Economic Community (EEC) is studying an allegation of dumping against Soviet producers of potassium chloride, the European Commission said here Monday.

Potassium chloride, known as potash, is used in fertilisers.

The complaint came from the Association of European Potash Producers, which claimed that Soviet producers, not being subject to free market conditions, were selling potash at prices far below production costs of EEC producers.

The association said in its complaint to the commission that Soviet sales of potash in EEC countries had jumped from 306,000 tons in 1986 to 545,000 tons in 1989, taking its market share from 6.5 to 11.3 percent.

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#90309d8050 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bonn (NOV. 5) - German investment abroad rose 13 billion marks (8.7 billion dollars) in the first half of 1990, up sharply from the 7.6 billion marks in the same period last year, Bonn said Monday.

The Economics Ministry said the figure represented the balance of new investments of 18.6 billion marks abroad, at the same time that 5.6 billion marks worth of foreign investment was repatriated.

The chief area for new German investments was the European Community, reaching 10.8 billion marks, or nearly three times as high as the 3.75 billion marks invested in the E.C. in the first half of 1989, the ministry said.

Investments in the United States however fell sharply, from 2.2 billion marks in the first half of 1989 to just 874 million marks in the same period this year.

Direct foreign investment in western Germany in the first half of 1990 meanwhile increased by 2.5 billion marks, up slightly from the 1.7 billion mark rise a year earlier, the ministry said.

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GENEVA (NOV. 5) - The Cairns group of farm exporting countries were set to

step up pressure on the European Economic Community (EEC) to engage in "serious" bargaining on agricultural trade to avert a collapse of world trade negotiations now in their final phase.

Ministers of the group, which includes four major Asian food exporters, held crisis talks in a Geneva hotel as EEC trade and agriculture ministers were convening in Brussels Monday afternoon for a crucial eleventh-hour attempt to draw up a negotiation mandate for EEC negotiators on agriculture.

Bringing farm trade into the rulebook of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) is considered as vital by the United States, the Cairns Group and the majority of developing nations taking part in the four-year old Uruguay Round of trade negotiations.

A feeling of gloom among the cohorts of diplomats working almost round the clock at GATT headquarters deepened Monday when press reports from Washington suggested that the United States administration was now considering the possibility of walking out from the talks.

Insiders said the reports, believed to be based on deliberate leaks from quarters close to the White House, must be seen in the context of the U.S. elections, and largely reflected "tactical concerns".

Argentina, one of the most vocal critics of the EEC's common agricultural policy, suggested last week that the Cairns group should withdraw from the Round, launched in September, 1986, at Punta del Este, Uruguay.

Monday's meeting of the group, chaired by Australian Minister for Trade Negotiations Neal Blewett, was expected to issue a serious warning to the EEC that the most ambitious effort to date to liberalize world trade could founder unless the 12-nation community gets its act together.

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#90309d8110 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (NOV. 5) - The aircraft carrier USS Midway and its battle group on Monday entered the Gulf to begin routine exercises, officials at the U.S. Naval command center said here.

The Midway, accompanied by two cruisers, two destroyers, a frigate and two other vessels, is to replace the USS Independence in the region.

There was no indication as to how long the Midway, the oldest aircraft carrier operated by the U.S. Navy, would remain in the Gulf.

The United States dramatically bolstered its air, naval and ground presence in the region following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

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#90309d8120 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
COPENHAGEN (NOV. 5) - Fifty-two per cent of Denmark's citizens oppose sending emissaries to Baghdad to negotiate the release of hostages, a survey published here revealed.

Danes were against such initiatives because they did not want to see the international front ranged against Iraq broken, according to a Gallup poll which appeared in Sunday's Berlinske Tidende newspaper.

The survey was carried out last week after former prime minister Anker Joergensen announced he would go to Iraq in an attempt to arrange the release of 43 Danish hostages.

Mr. Joergensen arrived in Amman on Sunday and was waiting for a visa to enter Iraq.

Prime Minister Poul Schlueter has criticised private initiatives to Iraq, even if undertaken for humanitarian reasons.

He told his conservative party's annual convention Sunday that "Denmark must show its unswerving solidarity with the rest of the world". Even if this meant "economic and human sacrifices", he said, Denmark was "ready to pay the price".

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#90309d8140 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (NOV. 5) - German investigators on Monday said they had uncovered a new scam to swindle tens of millions of Deutsche marks under German monetary union.

Seven East German businessmen are helping with inquiries, after Berlin police last Friday raided 25 homes, banks and offices, probing a fraud worth 30 million marks (20 million dollars), the city's interior minister, Erich Paetzold, said in a communique.

German monetary union, launched on July 1, was the first stage in German unification. Under it, East German businesses swapped two non-convertible Ostmarks for every Deutsche mark.

Police last month launched an investigation into a fraud that is believed to have reaped 500 million marks (333 million dollars) for a ring of East German exporters and their associates.

They illegally claimed reimbursements in Deutsche marks for holdings of "convertible rubles," the theoretical currency that East Germany used in its transactions with other members of the Comecon.

Mr. Paetzold said detectives were also probing an eight-million-mark (5.3-million-dollar) case in which fraudsters succeeded in converting rubles into Deutsche marks for fake contracts between East German and Soviet firms.

He said that "organised economic crime" had spread like wildfire in the dying weeks of the German Democratic Republic.

This was because of disorder arising from the fall of the ruling Communist Party and "the absence of state control" over currency exchanges.

In addition to fraud, "millions" were being made by cronies who worked in the former planned economy and found they were able to "act like gold diggers, pillaging the bank accounts" of former state firms, Mr. Paetzold said.

"This is just the tip of the iceberg," he said. The new crime "is of unprecedented extent and structure," he said.

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#90309d8150 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 5) - China on Monday published official guidelines encouraging collectively-owned enterprises to pay more money to their most skilled and productive employees.

"If individual workers accomplish a lot, they should get a lot of money. Egalitarianism should not be allowed," said the guidelines, as published in the official labor newspaper Worker's Daily.

They also endorse the principle of after-tax profit-sharing, subsidies and dividend payments to workers, stating that such bonuses should be seen as an integral part of their total income.

The New China News Agency said the guidelines, drawn up by the labor ministry and other government departments, were "recently" adopted by the State Council (cabinet), which is headed by Premier Li Peng.

They apply to half-a-million collectively-owned enterprises, whose 30 million employees earn a quarter of the total wage bill paid to all workers in China, NCNA said.

Though state-run industry dominate's China's economy, collectively-owned enterprises - which are not under the control of the central government - have been at the forefront of industrial growth in recent years.

Often established in rural areas, they frequently pay better wages, as well as productivity bonuses, to their employees.

The State Council guidelines, short on specifics, appeared to approve the notion of different pay for different work - all the while stressing the need for everyone to pay their taxes according to the law.

"Those workers who make big contributions should be paid more than those who do simple work," they state at one point.

They also suggest that managers be paid "perhaps one-third more" than their regular staff, on the basis of their responsibilities and profits, while under-productive workers should have their paychecks slashed.

The guidelines follow a bleak two years for collectively-owned industries, when Mr. Li's tight-credit policies to combat rampant inflation put thousands of small factories out of business.

They also contrast with appeals made last year by Communist Party general secretary Jiang Zemin for a narrowing, rather than widening, of pay differentials.

Workers' salaries vary widely from region to region. In Beijing, a worker in a state-run enterprise can earn 200 yuan (42 dollars) a month while enjoying a range of subsidized benefits.

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#90309d8170 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 5) - The main party in India's ruling coalition split Monday, dealing what was seen here as a death blow to Premier Vishwanath Pratap Singh's 11-month-old, crisis-ridden government.

More than 60 MPs of the Janata Dal (People's Party) Monday "expelled" Mr. V.P. Singh, 59, from the party he helped found two years ago and chose veteran politician Chandra Shekhar, 63, as their new leader.

"Yes, the party has split," a senior Janata Dal official said.

The move put Mr. Shekhar firmly in the running for the post of India's next prime minister.

But 108 of the Janata Dal's 178 MPs gathered for a scheduled meeting expressed their solidarity with Mr. V.P. Singh, who faces a vote of confidence in parliament Wednesday which he is unlikely to win.

"Ours is the real Janata Dal and we will vote against Mr. V.P. Singh (in parliament) on Wednesday," dissident leader and former deputy premier Devi Lal told reporters at his residence here.

Har Mohan Dhawan, acting as their spokesman, said the dissident MPs would ask

President Ramaswamy Venkataraman to invite Mr. Shekhar to try to form a new government with the support of "secular and democratic forces".

He did not elaborate, but former prime minister Rajiv Gandhi's opposition Congress (I) party has said it would keep a Janata Dal government going if the party dropped Mr. V.P. Singh.

Predictably, the Congress (I) welcomed Mr. Shekhar's "election" as the Janata Dal leader, and said he would get "constructive cooperation" if he tried to form a government.

Within hours, the Janata Dal struck back, expelling 30 of the dissidents, including Mr. Shekhar, Mr. Dhawan and four of seven ministers who have quit Mr. V.P. Singh's government since October 26.

Two of the resignations, by ministers of state Janeshwar Mishra and Manobhai Kotadia, came Monday.

Also expelled was Sanjay Singh, a relative by marriage of the premier who unexpectedly threw his weight behind Mr. Shekhar, the most ardent critic of Mr. V.P. Singh in India's fractious politics.

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#90309d8250 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (NOV. 5) - President Frederik de Klerk held talks here on Monday with Brigadier Josh Oupa Gqozo, military leader of nominally independent Ciskei tribal homeland at the brigadier's request.

Brig. Gqozo said he wanted to brief the president on the changes he had made since he ousted unpopular civilian president Lennox Sebe in a coup on March 4.

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#90309d8260 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (NOV. 5) - Polish coal miners in nearly all of Silesia's 70 pits struck for two hours Monday to press demands for higher wages and a reform of the mining industry.

The token strike came after talks between the government and the national mining commission broke down.

Miners want "unfair" pay differentials of up to one million zlotys (95 dollars) between pits that were imposed by the former communist government, often on political grounds, to be abolished and pay to be levelled upwards.

The average salary of miners who are among the best paid in Polish industry stood at 1.8 million zlotys (180 dollars) after a rises of nearly 125 percent

between July and September.

Coal production dropped 25 percent between January and September, according to official figures.

The Solidarity trade union's mining commission said it will consider further action after presidential elections due November 25.

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#90309d8300 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 5) - Argentine President Carlos Menem will make an official visit to China next week, the official press reported Monday.

Mr. Menem, due November 14-16, was responding to an invitation from his Chinese counterpart Yang Shangkun, the New China News Agency (NCNA) said.

The agency did not give Mr. Menem's schedule.

The visit follows one by Mr. Yang to Buenos Aires in May during a Latin American tour that took him also to Mexico, Brazil, Uruguay and Chile.

The two countries signed a series of agreements to simplify visa applications, increase cultural exchanges and cooperate in the area of cattle breeding.

China also discussed increasing sales of coal to Argentina and importing Argentine wool.

Bilateral trade amounted to more than 500 million dollars last year, largely in rgentina's favor. The two countries have had diplomatic relations since 1972.

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#90309d8320 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 5) - The Cambodian peace process will remain bogged down until Prince Norodom Sihanouk is elected chairman of a Supreme National Council, Chinese Premier Li Peng said Monday.

Mr. Li, quoted by the official New China News Agency, made the comment in a meeting with Thai Foreign minister Subin Pinkayan, who left later in the day to return to Bangkok via Hong Kong.

"On the Cambodian issue, the most urgent thing to do now is to elect Samdech Norodom Sihanouk as chairman of the Supreme National Council of the country, in order to make the organization start its work," the premier said.

"Otherwise," he added, "all other problems on the Cambodian issue will be hard

to solve."

Efforts to end the 12-year civil war in Cambodia are in a stalemate, as Phnom Penh and the Cambodian resistance bicker over the make-up of the Supreme National Council that would represent sovereignty pending elections.

Both sides agree to have Prince Sihanouk as chairman but Phnom Penh is insisting that its prime minister Hun Sen be named co-chairman.

The resistance balks at the idea while China says the question of adding Mr. Hun Sen as a co-chairman should be put off until after Prince Sihanouk is elected.

Mr. Subin arrived Saturday on his first visit to China since he became foreign minister in August.

Mr. Subin also discussed bilateral issues during his trip, putting a special accent on improving commercial ties.

He won an assurance from Mr. Li that China would take an "active attitude" to Thai plans to develop the Mekong River, which originates in China, NCNA said.

Mr. Li added that China was prepared to co-operate in developing the Mekong with "all countries on the lower reaches of the river" -- a group that would include Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos and Burma.

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#90309d8350 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 5) - Renewed violence flared in at least four black South African townships at the weekend between rival black political groups, leaving 28 people dead, police said Monday.

The worst-hit township was Bekkersdal black township, near the mining town of Westonaria west of here, where police had found 18 bodies by late Sunday, police spokeswoman Captain Henriette Bester said.

The fighting broke out between supporters of the socialist African National Congress (ANC) and the hardline black nationalist Azanian People's Organisation (AZAPO), the Sowetan newspaper reported Monday.

Nine houses were gutted, including the home of Bekkersdal mayor, John Mokome, and that of an AZAPO official, the newspaper said.

Capt. Bester said the clashes were sparked when one group of students tried to prevent the other from writing examinations. She said the situation was calm on Monday but unconfirmed reports said police were shooting teargas in the township on Monday.

The renewed internecine violence erupted only weeks after South Africa's worst wave of black-on-black violence, which saw some 800 people killed in townships around here in clashes between ANC supporters and supporters of the conservative Zulu Inkatha Freedom Party in August and September.

Unlike the ANC, AZAPO shuns negotiations with South Africa's white-minority government.

Meanwhile the president of the AZAPO-aligned Azanian Students' Convention (AZASCO), Thami Mcerwa, was fighting for his life in hospital after ANC-supporting students attacked AZASCO members at a university residence in Soweto black township, adjoining Johannesburg, on Saturday.

AZASCO spokesman Sipho Maseko said AZASCO members were attacked in their rooms by ANC-supporting students, armed with pangas (machettes), knives and guns. Mr. Mcerwa was critically injured in the attack.

In another attack, eight people were killed and several injured in Kutloanang black township, near the Orange Free State town of Odendaalsrus, after a gang of men launched a series of attacks on houses early Sunday morning, police said.

Police spokesman Major Johan Fouche said police were investigating a link between the killings and earlier clashes between rival black minibus taxi organisations.

Police also found the body of a man who was gunned down in Alexandra, Johannesburg's oldest township, where three people also suffered serious bullet wounds.

And in Natal province, a man was stabbed to death by a gang of men in Mganga Baboyi township, the official police "unrest" report said on Monday.

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#90309d8360 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 5) - Ten million Britons, or one in five of the population, are living on the breadline, the Child Poverty Action Group said Monday.

About one third of those living in poverty were children, the group said in a report based on data from 1987, the last year for which figures are available.

The report said the number of children in families who earned less than half of the average wage had risen from 1.6 million in 1979 to three million in 1987.

A typical family with two children under 11, which lives on the subsistence

level, had a weekly income of 90 pounds (177 dollars) after rent, it said.

The report said poverty had risen faster in Britain than in any other Western European country between 1975 and 1985.

About five million poor people in Britain saw no rise in their real incomes between 1979 and 1987.

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#90309d8370 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (NOV. 5) - New Zealand's budget deficit will hit one billion dollars (610 U.S.) while the Bank of New Zealand (BNZ), majority owned by the government, needs a 620 million dollar (381 million U.S) bailout, Finance Minister Ruth Richardson said Monday.

Speaking at a press conference after the National government's first cabinet since winning elections October 27, Ms. Richardson said 1.2 billion dollars (738 million U.S.) would also have to be borrowed to meet debt repayments.

"There are clearly three shocks in a financial market sense today," Ms. Richardson said, pointing to the BNZ bailout, the "true" budget figures as promised during the election campaign and the debt funding programme.

"Markets will determine the reaction, not politicians, but it is clear that there is going to be an unavoidable impact on wholesale interest rates," she said.

The benchmark five-year government bond fell Monday to close yielding 13.53 per cent, up from 13.08 percent. On the currency markets the New Zealand dollar rose half a U.S. cent to 61.52 U.S. cents.

Ms. Richardson said the Labour government's July budget had projected a surplus of 89 million dollars (54 million U.S.) which had turned out to be a deficit of 1.02 billion (626 million U.S.).

The minister attributed the budget turnaround to several factors, including the BNZ capital restructuring, which she said the previous government knew would have to be made as it had been under negotiation for months.

She said the Labour government had approved expenditure which had not been included in the budget or had been given the go-ahead between July and the elections.

A weaker economic outlook and lower overall expectations for the sale of state-owned assets had also contributed, she added.

Ms. Richardson said it would be necessary to initiate a borrowing programme to

cover maturing domestic and foreign debt consisting of bonds worth up to 900 million dollars (553 million U.S.) with 300 million dollars (185 million U.S.) being raised through regular Treasury Bill sales.

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#90309d8400 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 5) - A series of plunges on the Tokyo Stock Exchange sent the combined pre-tax profits of its 114 member securities firms dropping 65.5 percent in the six months to September, exchange officials said Monday.

The profits totaled 371.8 billion yen (2.9 billion dollars) in the first half of fiscal 1990 while the companies saw their stock-brokerage commissions fall 22 per cent from a year earlier, the officials said.

The firms also suffered combined losses of 96.1 billion yen (739 million dollars) in stock and bond trading for their own accounts, the officials said.

Japan's big-four securities companies, Nomura, Daiwa, Nikko and Yamaichi, suffered drops in their pre-tax profits - ranging from 55.1 percent to 74.2 percent.

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#90309d8410 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 5) - A white police sergeant was sentenced to seven years imprisonment by the Supreme Court here Monday for his part in the 1989 killing of black man, who died after being assaulted while in police custody.

The court was told that the defendant, Johannes Marthinus Olivier, arrested the late George Ndaba in Johannesburg's Alexandra black township on July 19 last year.

Later in the day, Mr. Ndaba was taken out of his cell for "further investigation" by Olivier and three other policemen.

Mr. Ndaba was then assaulted by Olivier and his body was later thrown onto a freeway near Johannesburg, according to the charges.

Olivier had earlier been found guilty of culpable homicide.

The presiding judge, G. Gordon, found that Olivier had influenced the other three policemen and that what he had done was "not only against the law, it was evil".

In sentencing Olivier, Judge Gordon said "one must also think of the widow who went from police station to police station trying to find out what had happened. She is left with three small children and no husband".

Of the three other policemen, two received suspended two-year sentences while one was acquited.

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#90309d8520 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAHORE, PAKISTAN (NOV. 5) - A special court here on Monday ordered opposition leader and former premier Benazir Bhutto to appear on Sunday to answer charges of misconduct.

Ms. Bhutto has been charged with misusing a Pakistan air force aircraft to transport deputies at the time of an oppsition bid to dislodge her from the premiership in November 1989.

The case is one of seven filed against her by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan before the Islamic Democratic Alliance (IJI) routed her People's Democratic Alliance (PDA) in last month's elections.

Ms. Bhutto, 37, can be disqualified from politics for up to seven years in the event of conviction in any of the cases.

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#90309d8530 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (NOV. 5) - Nigeria's General Ibrahim Babangida on Monday appointed a new minister of special duties, an official statement from the president's office said.

Before his appointment, Tunji Olagunju had since 1985 been a special adviser to Gen. Babangida on political affairs. He held a similar post in the military regime of General Olusegun Obasanjo (1976-79).

He takes over from retired Air Vice Marshal Hamza Abdullahi, who was dropped in a cabinet reshuffle on August 30.

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#90309d8540 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (NOV. 5) - The International Air Transport Association (IATA) on Monday recommended its member companies to increase passengers fares by between four percent and eight percent, and goods tariffs by between three percent and seven percent.

The increase, which would take effect in December, is the second to be recommended since the beginning of the Gulf crisis. The first took effect at the beginning of October.

IATA said that the increases would compensate partially for an increase in costs, and particularly of fuel, owing to the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq and subsequent increases in the price of oil and fuel.

Fuel accounts for about 15 percent of an airline's operating costs.

Observers said that the recommended increase was for a lesser amount than had been expected. During the IATA annual meeting here recently, the chairman of British Airways said that he favoured increases of eight percent to 10 percent.

The governments of member countries must now approve the increases.

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#90309d8650 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Brussels (NOV. 5) - European Community development aid ministers remained divided here Monday over a strategy mapping the E.C.'s future assistance to Asia and Latin America.

The ministers failed to approve plans presented by the E.C. Commission to raise development aid outlays by 50 percent to some 4 billin dollars between 1991 and 1995.

France and Britain rejected the proposal for being too high, while Germany said the Commission had left many questions unanswered, in particular how the aid would be apportioned between Asia and Latin America.

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#90309d8790 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (NOV. 5) - President Elias Hrawi has rejected a call from the PLO for negotiations on the status of the 350,000 Palestinians living in Lebanon, including 10,000 fighters based in the south.

The president said late Sunday that he rejected the proposal for a new agreement between the Palestine Liberation Organisation and Lebanon to replace a 1969 Cairo accord, which was abrogated by the Lebanese state in 1987.

"We support the Palestinian cause and revolution in Palestine, but as an independent and free state we cannot tolerate the presence of any armed party on our territory," he said.

"The Palestinian people in Lebanon will be treated like the Lebanese people, or the way they are treated in other Arab countries."

A senior PLO official, Abu Iyad, called last Friday for an official dialogue with the Lebanese government to work out new arrangements on the Palestinian presence in south Lebanon.

"If the Palestinians were excluded from all dialogue, this would lead to a drama in which everybody would pay the price," the official warned.

Under an Arab peace plan, named after the Saudi resort of Taif, the Syrian-backed government aims to extend its authority over the entire country, starting with Beirut and its suburbs after the withdrawal of militias.

The Taif accord of October 1989 calls for all Lebanese and non-Lebanese militias to be disbanded and the regular army to take control, but it does not refer directly to the Palestinian guerrillas in Lebanon.

Political circles in Beirut said the government could not enter an official dialogue with the PLO because the organisation has not formally recognized the Taif accord.

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#90309d8840 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (NOV. 5) - Belgian Defense Minister Guy Coeme said here Monday the United Nations-imposed embargo against Iraq needs time to make itself felt, the Egyptian news agency Mena reported.

Coeme said at the end of a three-day visit that his country supported a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis as long as the Iraqis followed a similar policy, Mena added.

He also conferred with Egyptian foreign ministry officials about the refugee problem in Rwanda and said both sides would meet again to discuss this problem.

Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak is currently chairman of the Organisation of African Unity. Rwanda was once a Belgian colony.

During his stay, Coeme discussed with his Egyptian counterpart Yusef Sabri Abu-Taleb military cooperation between the two states, Mena added.

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#90309d8850 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (NOV. 5) - A Scotland Yard report on the murder of British tourist Julie Ward which was handed to Kenyan authorities Monday incriminates two Kenyan game rangers, a source close to the investigation said.

Francois Gordon, first secretary at the British High Commission here, handed the report to Kenyan Attorney-General Matthew Muli on Monday.

Kenyan authorities called in British police to help investigate the case after an inquest held here in October last year at the insistence of Miss Ward's

father John Ward found that the British woman was murdered and not killed by wild animals as Kenyan police had first said.

Miss Ward's scattered and burnt remains were found in the Masai Mara game park two years ago. She was 28 when she died.

The source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the report, which completes another British police report on the case submitted in May, contained "incontrovertible forensic evidence which incriminates two rangers from the Masai Mara."

The two were arrested in March but released after a week "pending results of inquiries." The source said the report contained evidence that showed that Miss Ward had spent the last week of her life after she went missing in September 1988 in the rangers' compound in the game park.

They had previously denied having seen her, but had said they had been in their compound during the week that preceded the discovery of her remains.

The source said others were also suspected of involvement in the murder.

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#90309d9280 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) - The United States will call up combat reserve units to reinforce U.S. forces in the Gulf, the New York Times Monday quoted Defense Department sources as saying.

The troops assigned to these units would be among as many as 100,000 additional reserve forces the Pentagon has said it would activate in coming weeks.

The Times said the actual deployment of the combat reserve units in the Gulf region could be achieved early next year.

Before it adjourned, Congress doubled the allowable active duty periods for reservists, to 360 days, a measure aimed at providing adequate training periods for reserve units.

The Times report said the call-up represented the first test of the so-called Total Force Policy, in effect since 1973 after the elimination of the draft, which relies upon the integration of combat reservists to active duty units.

More than 34,000 non-combat reservists already have been mobilized in connection with the Gulf buildup, including medical personnel, cargo handlers and technicians.

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#90309d9360 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) - Former President Ronald Reagan said the Iran-contra affair hurt his presidency and that he is "still ignorant" about all the facts in the scheme to sell arms and divert profits to Nicaraguan rebels.

"The cloud that descended over my credibility during Iran-Contra undoubtedly affected my last two years in office," he said in his book, "An American Life " excerpts of which were published in this week's Time magazine.

He said if he could relive the past, he would ask the two key architects to explain to him exactly how the scheme worked.

Former national security adviser John Poindexter and his aide Oliver North arranged the plan under which weapons were sold to Iran and the profits were diverted to the Nicaraguan rebels, known as contras.

"O.K. John and Ollie, level with me," Mr. Reagan wrote about what he would say if he could go back to that point in time. "Tell me what really happened and what it is that you have been hiding from me. Tell me everything."

"If I had done that, at least I wouldn't be sitting here, writing this book, still ignorant of some of the things that went on during the Irancontra affair " he wrote.

Mr. Reagan also insisted the U.S. sale of weapons to Iran was not intended to be a swap of weapons for American hostages held in Lebanon, though he acknowledged, "it may not look that way to some people."

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#90309d9390 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
COLOGNE, GERMANY (NOV. 5) - A court here Monday ordered that a woman who tried to kill German Social Democratic Party standard-bearer Oskar Lafontaine be committed to a psychiatric institution.

It said Adelheid Streidel, a 43-year-old nursing aide, was a ''paranoid-hallucinatory schizophrenic'' who posed a threat to society.

The court said she had tried to murder Lafontaine with a knife in an ''insidious'' way during a campaign rally in suburban Cologne last April, but Streidel could not be jailed because she was mentally ill and not responsable for her action.

Streidel was a public threat due to her hallucinations, the court ruling said in line with a psychiatric report. Streidel had said she believed people in Europe were being psychologically remoulded in secret underground sites. This was why she wanted to punish a politician.

After hearing the court ruling, Streidel said she was ''totally healthy'' and refused to accept the fact that she had to take medication. ''It is sad that Lafontaine did not die,'' she added.

The defendent's lawyer said he would appeal because Streidel had not tried to ''murder'' Lafontaine but rather to commit ''manslaughter'', a less grave act under the law. He said the court had made a mistake when it rejected Streidel's demand to exclude the public from the trial.

Lafontaine, the Social Democratic Party's hope for toppling the centre-right coalition government of Chancellor Helmut Kohl in next December's general elections, has now fully recovered from the knife wound to the neck and has resumed his election campaign.

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#90309d9430 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (NOV. 5) - Nepalese King Birendra will promulgate the country's new constitution that paves the way for a multi-party democracy and greater later this week, it was announced Monday.

The announcement came in a royal palace communique, broadcast over Radio Nepal after Nepalese Premier Krishna Prasad Bhattarai Monday submitted the final constitution as approved by the interim coalition government to the king.

Friday, the day of the promulgation of the new constitution, will be observed as a national holiday to mark, the government said.

The new constitution, which will replace the old Panchayat constitution under which political parties were banned for the past 30 years, was drafted by a panel headed by the Supreme Court judge Biswanath Upadhyay and then modified by the government.

The promulgation, originally slated for October 11, was postponed at the request of the king who insisted on some changes. The government had approved some of the requested changes but had rejected others, government sources said.

The delay has sparked protests by leftist groups charging that the king was ''hatching a plot to retain all powers to himself''.

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#90309d9440 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) - A leading Soviet analyst acknowledged Monday it was difficult to engage in a prolonged search for a peaceful resolution to the Gulf crisis but warned that easy solutions, though tempting, usually were "very dangerous."

Georgi Arbatov, director of Soviet studies at Moscow's Institute of Canadian and U.S. Affairs, in an interview with NBC television, denied that there were "conflicts or rifts" between the Soviet and U.S. positions in the confrontation with Iraq.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and his special Gulf envoy Yevgeny Primakov have both expressed optimism about the prospects for a negotiated solution while the United States has taken a harder line toward Iraq.

"I think our position is very clear, and we are here completely, fully acting in accordance with United Nations resolution," Mr. Arbatov said in the interview from Moscow.

"If it comes to use of force, we are ready to accept it only in case it is done under directive of the resolution of United Nations," he said. "And this has to be discussed, and there has to be a 'yes' said also by the Soviet Union."

Moscow believed it had to do everything possible to find a peaceful solution to the crisis, Mr. Arbatov said.

"But of course," he added, "It is not an easy thing to have for a prolonged time, this peaceful effort. Sometimes one becomes short on temper. But one shouldn't be tempted by easy solution. They are usually not easy, and very dangerous."

Mr. Arbatov minimized the talk of war coming out of Iraq in recent days, saying that as always in such situations, "there is a blah, blah, blah being said on both sides."

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#90309d9450 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (NOV. 5) - Over 350,000 soldiers of a multi-national force deployed in the Gulf to fend off a possible attack by Iraq against Saudi Arabia might well spend Christmas in the desert waiting for a decision on war or peace.

Three months after the start of the Gulf crisis, military experts and Western diplomats say an outbreak of war in the next weeks is unlikely despite warnings by U.S. President George Bush that he is beginning to lose patience with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Military commanders of the U.S.-led force say they do not expect a war in the next few weeks unless Saddam forces them into it.

U.S. troops are already poised to counter a possible Iraqi attack, although such a move appears increasingly unlikely. However, U.S. troops will be

prepared to launch an offensive that would keep their own losses within limits at the earliest in mid-December.

In addition, Washington so far has no backing from its anti-Iraqi allies for such ''a military option'', Western diplomats and military experts point out.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, currently on a tour of the Middle East and Europe, is unlikely to obtain a unanimous okay for an offensive against Iraq in case of a failure of United Nations efforts to roll back Baghdad's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

France especially is expected to resist a military option should Iraq fail to bow to the United Nations Security Council resolutions demanding the withdrawal of Iraqi troops and the restoration of Kuwait's legitimate government.

The Soviet Union, too, has repeatedly said that it opposes a military solution of the Gulf crisis.

As permanent Security Council members, both countries have the right to veto any decisions taken by the world body.

Another question is whether Bush would want to put the newly American-Soviet detente at risk by ignoring Moscow's stance.

The prospect of having to fly home ''body bags'' with killed U.S. male or even female soldiers in the run-up to Christmas is cited by U.S. military experts as a reason that Washigton would considerably boost its ground troops in Saudi Arabia before it striking.

However, it would take weeks to increase the strength of the ground troops deployed in Saudi Arabia. At present, Iraqi soldiers clearly outnumber the multinational forces there.

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#90309d9480 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 5) - U.S. Navy Secretary H. Lawrence Garrett III said Monday he was hopeful a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis could be worked out but that U.S. forces were well prepared to fight if called upon.

Speaking during a visit to a Marine Corps support detachment, Mr. Garrett said American forces are prepared to remain in the region for as long as President George Bush wants.

"These people are ready to do exactly what they are trained to do," he told reporters. "They are not impatient as has been reported ... they know why they're here."

Asked if he was still hopeful a peaceful solution could be worked out to the crisis sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, the U.S. Navy secretary said: "I am still hopeful. Certainly it's not my nature to be otherwise."

He said commanders did not appear to be "eager" to fight but "should they be called upon to fight, do I see the ability to fight? You bet."

"I've never seen them better prepared. I haven't seen the morale as high as this since the early sixties," he said.

Mr. Garrett also said he saw a continued U.S. presence in the area. "We've been in this region since 1947, just not in these numbers. So I anticipate we will stay in this area in some number.

"Certainly the Navy has been here for a long time and I anticipate it will be for the forseeable future," he said.

The United States currently has more than 50 warships patrolling the waters around the Arabian Penisula.

Mr. Garrett said the investigation into an October 30 steam leak aboard the USS Iwo Jima which killed 10 U.S. sailors was still going on. He said he may visit the amphibious assault ship in Manama.

Mr. Garrett, who held talks Monday with Vice Admiral Talal Salem Mafadi, head of the Royal Saudi Navy, was to go to Bahrain later Monday before leaving for Europe on Thursday.

Earlier officials at the U.S. Naval command center in Manama said that the aircraft carrier USS Midway and its battle group on Monday entered the Gulf to begin routine exercises.

The Midway, accompanied by two cruisers, two destroyers, a frigate and two other vessels, is to replace the USS Independence in the region.

There was no indication as to how long the Midway, the oldest aircraft carrier operated by the U.S. Navy, would remain in the Gulf.

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#90309d9720 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 5) - The first convoy under the United Nations' Special Relief Program for Angola has successfully delivered food to people affected by drought and war.

In a statement issued here Monday, the World Food Program (WFP) said its 20-truck convoy carrying 415 tons of rice and oil, which left the Angolan port

of Lobito on Nov. 2 delivered its consignment to the rebel-held town of Huambo on Nov. 4.

The Angolan government and the rebel Union for Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) had agreed to permit relief activities in areas of Angola hitherto inaccessible because of the civil war.

The special programme for Angola calls for 110,000 tons of emergency food aid worth 65 million U.S. dollars to be delivered and distributed between Nov. 1 and April next year to some 1.9 million people affected by drought or war in nine provinces of central and southern Angola.

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#90309d9760 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 5) - Ministers of the European Economic Community (EEC) recommended here Monday wiping out debts of 66 third-world countries totalling nearly two billion dollars, a source close to the European Commission said.

The recommendation came at a meeting of EEC ministers of cooperation and development. It must still be approved by foreign ministers of the community's 12 member countries in December,

The debts, contracted by African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries, represent a repayment obligation of 1.5 billion European Currency Units (ECU -- 1.95 billion dollars).

But their cancellation now will cost only 650 million dollars, the source said. The 66 countries are linked to the EEC by the Lome Convention, a north-south trade and cooperation accord signed in 1975.

The debt cancellations will apply only to debts contracted with the EEC itself and not with individual member countries.

A source close to the European Commission, the executive arm of the EEC, said the debt burden of the ACP countries totalled 195 billion dollars.

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#90309d9770 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) - Congressional budgetary constraints may force deep cuts in the size and scope of the orbiting space station Freedom, the trade newspaper, Space News, said in this week's edition.

Officials of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) were to meet with partners in the space station project Tuesday on design changes.

Space News quoted NASA officials as saying the changes might include

shortening the original 130-meter (400 foot) length of the station and elimination of exterior scientific payloads.

NASA is reportedly seeking to minimize the effect of any such cutbacks on programs of its project partners, Japan and European Economic Community nations, the paper said.

The U.S. Congress cut 550 million dollars from the space station's 1991 budget decreasing it to 1.9 billion dollars, and ordered NASA to make substantial cuts in the project's overall cost.

NASA is also proposing to decrease from six to four the number of space shuttle flights needed to assemble the space station in orbit.

The first of these flights is tentatively scheduled for March 1995.

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#90309d9830 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 5) - Three French textile companies -- V.E.V., Prouvost SA and SAFIT -- are to merge, V.E.V. announced here on Monday.

It said in a communique that the merger will take place via an absorption of V.E.V. and SAFIT by Prouvost.

The operation must be approved by shareholders in the three companies, all of which are headed by Christian Derveloy. The deal is to be carried out on the basis of one Prouvost share for one V.E.V.-Vitos share, and five Prouvost shares for every two SAFIT shares.

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#90309d9900 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MBABANE (NOV. 5) - Thousands of Swazis from South Africa's Kangwane tribal homeland in the eastern Transvaal Sunday pleaded with Swazi King Mswati to restart negotiations with South Africa to reunite them with Swaziland.

Swaziland has laid claim to Kangwane and Ingwavuma in northern Natal Province, a South African area between Mozambique and Swaziland currently under the control of Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi, for over 100 years.

The Swazis say these areas were ceded to South Africa during the British colonial era.

The South African news agency SAPA said Monday that one of several prominent Swazi chiefs from Kangwane, Prince Solly Dlamini, told the king that in view of the wind of change in South Africa, Swazis living in the annexed territory would soon have no place to go.

The prince was one of thousands who on Sunday converged on the Lozitha Palace here on Sunday to plead with the king.

Prince Solly told the king that Swazis living outside their artificial present boundary of Swaziland, their mother country, still considered themselves Swazis.

He said Swazis in the so-called homeland would never be willing to be absorbed into the new South Africa or to serve under a South African government because they regarded the king of Swaziland as their leader.

Chief Themba Dlamini told the king that Swazis in Kangwane had numerous problems which he said were caused by intimidation from "the puppets of other forces".

Swazi Prime Minister Obed Dlamini, present at the meeting, also urged the king to look into the border adjustment issue.

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#90309d9920 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 5) - Iraq claimed Monday for the second time in 24 hours that fighter-bombers coming from Saudi Arabia had violated its airspace.

A foreign ministry spokesman said four planes had overflown Kuwait Sunday afternoon, the state Iraqi News Agency reported.

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#90309d9970 11/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (NOV 5) - Representatives of the 12-member European Community (E.C.) and the 19-member European Free Trade Association (Efta) adopted Monday a joint position for the current World Climate Conference in Geneva.

The two economic blocs agreed that in the next 10 years emissions of carbon dioxide (Co2) into the atmosphere should not be allowed to increase beyond the levels of 1990, Swiss Economics Minister Flavio Cotti told newsmen after the meeting.

Italian Environment Minister Giorgio Ruffolo explained that to keep carbon dioxide emissions at the present level was only a first step but a decisive one.

He pointed out that the E.C. and the Efta were in agreement that once the Co2 emissions had been stabilised the total amount of gases leading to the ''greenhouse effect'' (global warming) should be reduced. Co2 is the chief cause of global warming.

The E.C. and the Efta asked all industrialised countries to adopt similar decisions against the greenhouse effect.

Italy's Carlo Ripa di Meana, E.C. commission member in charge of the environment, said that various countries such as the United States and the Soviet Union were reluctant to act in that direction.

The U.S., the Soviet Union and Saudi Arabia also came in for criticism by Greenpeace environmentalists here for the same reason.

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#90309e0021 11/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Seoul (NOV. 5) EFE - South Korea and the Soviet Union established direct telephone links Monday, reflecting the growth in bilateral contacts this year, the South Korean Communications Ministry said.

Four telephone circuits were set up, linking the two countries between which telephone conversations had previously been routed through Britain, Italy and Greece.

In 1987 there were only four telephone calls between the Soviet Union and South Korea, while this year there have been 5,000 calls per month.

The Soviet Union and South Korea agreed on September 30 to establish full diplomatic relations, following an increase in commercial links.

Bilateral trade amounted to some dlrs 600 million in 1989 and is targetted to rise to dlrs one billion in 1990.

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#90309e0024 11/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (NOV. 5) EFE - The Soviet Union will need dlrs 30 billion in foreign credits in the next two years to convert to a market economy, Soviet economist Nicolai Shemeliov said Monday.

Speaking at a news conference in the Spanish capital, Shemeliov said the transition to a market economy, initiated by President Mikhail Gorbachev, could not be completed without a massive infusion of outside credit.

Shemeliov is a member of the Soviet Academy of Sciences and a former member of the Communist Party Central Committee.

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#90309e0031 11/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (NOV. 5) EFE - Share prices rose slightly on the Madrid stock exchange Monday with the general index gaining 0.83 points to close at 229.33.

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#90309e0033 11/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (NOV. 5) EFE - Fifty people were murdered in the Brazilian city of Rio de Janeiro during the Day of the Dead holiday weekend, city officials said Monday.

Police registered 21 murders just on Friday, the Day of the Dead which is a holiday in many Roman Catholic countries.

The Brazilian daily Jornal do Brasil attributed increased violence during holiday weekends to relaxed police vigilance.

Last February, 68 murders were registered during a holiday weekend, the highest number this year.

The sprawling slums of Rio de Janeiro are the most violent areas. Murder victims tend to be unemployed people, delinquents or children often shot dead by death squads intent on stamping out youth street crime.

Last week local police said they had located a mass grave where the remains of more than 100 children were dumped after they had been killed by the death squads.

The Civil Police Secretary said that 1,824 murders were committed in Rio over the first six months of this year and statistics show that the vast majority of the killings remain unsolved.

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#90309e0036 11/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SANTIAGO (NOV. 5) EFE - Chilean police continue torturing political detainees eight months after a 17-year military dictatorship ended with the inauguration of civilian President Patricio Aylwin, a human rights group has charged.

The group, the Committee for Defense of the People's Rights, alleged that police continue using torture methods such as beatings, strangling and electric shocks.

The leftist Santiago daily Fortin Mapocho published the accusations in its Monday edition.

The rights group documented 12 cases of torture allegedly inflicted on people arrested for political crimes since Aylwin took office in March.

The paramilitary Carabineros police, controlled by the Interior Ministry, were responsible for most cases of torture, the report said.

It describes the case of Alvaro Rodriguez Escobar, detained on August 9 for alleged links with the Lautaro Youth Movement (MJL) guerrilla group which surfaced during the dictatorship of Gen. Augusto Pinochet and has killed several Carabineros in the past year.

While in detention, Rodriguez was beaten up, hit with a steel instrument, shocked with electric current, and prevented from sleeping for three days, the rights group said.

He was also forced to eat human excrement and was hung by the wrists, according to the report.

The MJL and the communist Manuel Rodriguez Patriotic Front have continued armed attacks against government targets and businesses since Aylwin's inauguration, on the grounds that his government is maintaining the dictatorship's policies.

Several human rights groups have accused the police of excesses since Aylwin took office, but the government has said the human rights situation has improved dramatically.

During Pinochet's rule, international organizations repeatedly condemned the government for human rights violations.

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#90309e0042 11/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PARIS (NOV. 5) EFE - The three French soldiers captured by Iraqi troops last week after allegedly straying across the border from Saudi Arabia were on a special intelligence mission, Defense Minister Jean Pierre Chevenement acknowledged Monday.

Chevenement confirmed French newspaper reports that the soldiers formed part of an elite unit of reconnaissance specialists.

He said their mission was to go near the Saudi-Iraqi border "but not too close".

French military officials have refused to reveal the identity of the men or give details on their arrest last week by Iraqi troops, although the Army has announced an investigation will be carried out into the incident.

Chevenement did not rule out the possibility that the soldiers strayed into Iraqi territory as the border area near where they were captured is "difficult to localize".

He said the system which helps troops find their way in the desert, "especially the Navstar satellite, is precise within 500 meters".

Chevenement added that the "unfortunate incident could have been much more serious".

The men returned to Paris Sunday after their release was ordered by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Saddam said he was allowing them to return to France in order to "improve relations between the two countries".

France has condemned the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and sent troops to join the multinational force deployed in the Gulf.

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#90309e0043 11/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 5) EFE - The Soviet Union expects to be able to meet its foreign debt payments next year thanks to a decree by President Mikhail Gorbachev aimed at gathering hard currency, a central bank official said Monday.

The Gosbank official, Oleg Mozhaiskovo, said the government expects to collect between dlrs 12 billion and dlrs 16 billion in hard currency, depending on oil prices, during 1991.

Interest and principal payments due in 1991 amount to dlrs 11 billion, he said.

The decree, announced last week, will require all companies, except those with foreign ownership, to sell 40 per cent of their hard currency earnings to the state foreign trading bank.

The measure is to go into effect January 1.

International financial experts have said the Soviet Union might not be able to meet the payments on its dlrs 60 billion debt next year because of economic troubles and the scarcity of hard currency.

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#90309e0046 11/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NICOSIA (NOV. 5) EFE - The Iraqi Foreign Ministry Monday denounced the second violation of its airspace in as many days by warplanes from Saudi Arabia, where a massive U.S.-spearheaded multinational force is stationed.

Iraqi radar Sunday picked up an F-15 and an F-14, both fighter planes, flying seven km above southwestern Kuwait, the spokesman said.

The two planes travelled three km into Iraqi-occupied Kuwait before returning

to their bases in the northwestern Saudi provinces of Hijaz and Nejd.

Iraqi air defense controls Saturday detected two planes from Hijaz and Nejd which flew over Iraq's southern frontier, an Iraqi Foreign Ministry spokesman said Sunday.

The spokesman added that a TR-1 combat plane had also flown over Iraqi territory on an unspecified date.

The multinational forces have been deployed in the Gulf area following Iraq's August invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

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#90309e0047 11/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PARIS (NOV. 5) EFE - Jordan's King Hussein said Monday after a brief meeting with French President Francois Mitterrand that he was satisfied with both country's efforts to find a peaceful solution to the three-month-old Gulf crisis.

Following a 45-minute meeting with Mitterrand, Hussein said in a press conference that they agreed to "continue doing whatever possible" to not only find a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis, but "to all present and future problems in the region".

France has sent troops, planes and warships to join U.S.-spearheaded multinational forces in the Gulf, but has pledged since the outbreak of the crisis to press for a peaceful solution.

Hussein met Saturday with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz, who was rumored to have given Hussein a message for Mitterrand from President Saddam Hussein outlining ways to achieve peace in the region.

But Hussein Monday said he carried no such message and added that he was unaware of any change in Baghdad's policy on the crisis over Iraq's August invasion of Kuwait.

"I have been hoping and praying that war does not come," Hussein said, and declined to comment on rumors that Saddam might be willing to withdraw from Kuwait.

French government officials said Hussein and Mitterrand discussed the possibility of seeking an Arab solution to the crisis, as was mentioned by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev during his visit to Paris last week.

Also high on the agenda was future economic aid to Jordan, which has been badly hurt by the international embargo imposed on Iraq, previously its foremost trading partner.

Jordan's losses as a result of the embargo are estimated at dlrs two billion for 1990.

Jordan has condemned the invasion, but the government's perceived ambiguity toward Iraq coupled with wide-spread popular support for Saddam prompted Saudi Arabia to cut off oil supplies.

The one-day visit to France was Hussein's second since the crisis began. He is to leave later Monday for Geneva where he is to have breakfast Tuesday with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

Hussein is then scheduled for talks with French Prime Minister Michel Rocard.

The two European leaders are in Geneva attending the Second World Climate Conference on how to curb global warming.

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#90309e0050 11/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BRASILIA (NOV. 5) EFE - Brazilian Foreign Minister Francisco Rezek Monday denied that his government made secret deals with Iraq in order to secure the release last month of some 300 Brazilian hostages.

He said the Brazilian daily O Globo confused the issue in its report Sunday which claimed the government agreed to pay any fines resulting from the failure of Brazilian companies to complete work in Iraq which was interrupted at the outbreak of the Gulf crisis.

Rezek said the government made no additional deals with Iraq, which only asked for guarantees that Brazilian firms would complete the contracts once the crisis was over. He added that there was nothing extraordinary about giving that guarantee.

Last month, most of the 500 Brazilian hostages held in Iraq were released after intense diplomatic efforts by the government of President Fernando Collor de Mello.

Their release was sealed after a high-level Brazilian team, headed by ambassador to London Paulo Tarso Flecha de Lima, met Iraqi officials.

In its report Sunday, O Globo quoted the secretary of the presidency, Marcos Coimbra, as saying that the release of the hostages did involve an agreement over fines for broken contracts, but he denied that government had undertaken to pay those fines.

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#90309e0054 11/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (NOV 5) EFE - The inflation rate in Argentina was 7.7 percent in October, the first time in 11 months that the cost of living rose by less than 10 percent, Planning Minister Moises Ikonicoff said Monday.

Inflation was running at 196 percent when President Carlos Menem took office in July 1989 but a rigorous program of economic reforms has managed to slash the figure.

His austerity measures are based on reducing the public debt and privatizing state-run companies.

The Economy Ministry had recently told the International Monetary Fund that Argentina would continue the battle against inflation and lower it to under 10 percent for the rest of the year.

The government has also pledged to keep inflation at about two percent monthly for 1991 and analysts said the rate for November should even be lower than the October figure.

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#90309f1915 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Contl Air Hldgs	431,500	2 3/4	up 1/8
Fruit of Loom	390,200	6 3/4	unch
BAT Industries	388,400	11 1/8	up 3-16
Americus F pr	357,800	25 3/8	up 3/8
Hillhaven Corp	337,700	1 5/8	up 1/8
Amdahl Corp	255,400	11 3/4	up 1/8
New York Times A	230,100	17 3/4	up 3/8
Conquest Explor	202,000	1 3/8	up 1/8
Reliance El pf	195,900	9 1/2	up 1/4
Wang Labs Inc B	193,000	2 3/4	off 1/4

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#90309h0013 11/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV. 5) XINHUA - THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE NEWLY FORMED NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PAKISTAN WILL ELECT THE FUTURE PRIME MINISTER ON TUESDAY.

ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL SOURCES HERE TODAY, THE SPECIAL SESSION WILL BE PRESIDED OVER BY NEW SPEAKER OF PARLIAMENT GOHAR AYUB KHAN, WHO WAS ELECTED BY THE HOUSE AT ITS SUNDAY'S SESSION.

MIAN NAWAZ SHARIF, THE CANDIDATE OF THE ISLAMI JAMHOORI ITTEHAD (IJI), THE ALLIANCE WHICH WON THE OCTOBER GENERAL ELECTIONS BY BAGGING 105 SEATS IN THE 217-SEAT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, IS BELIEVED TO BE ELECTED FUTURE PRIME MINISTER OF THIS SOUTH ASIAN NATION WITH A POPULATION OF MORE THAN 100 MILLION.

ACCORDING TO IJI SOURCES, SHARIF WILL GET NEARLY A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY IN THE HOUSE AS THE IJI ALSO ENJOYS SUPPORT OF OTHER PARTIES EXCEPT THE PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE LED BY THE FORMER RULING PEOPLE'S PARTY OF PAKISTAN WHICH GOT ONLY SOME 40 SEATS.

ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE, THE PRIME MINISTER WILL TAKE THE OATH OF OFFICE AT A SPECIAL CEREMONY IN THE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE IN ISLAMABAD ON TUESDAY AFTERNOON. PRESIDENT ISHAQ KHAN WILL ADMINISTER THE OATH.

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#90309h0021 11/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ALGIERS (NOV. 5) XINHUA - FIVE FINANCIAL AGREEMENTS WERE SIGNED HERE TODAY BETWEEN THE SAUDI FINANCIAL GROUP "EL-BARAKA" CONCERNED WITH INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT AND ALGERIAN BANKING AUTHORITIES, OFFICIAL SOURCES SAID.

THE FIRST AGREEMENT IS A GENERAL FUNDING ACCORD TOTALLING 500 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS. THE SECOND CREATES A JOINT ALGERIAN-SAUDI BANK WITH A TOTAL RESERVE OF 500 MILLION ALGERIAN DINARS. THE THIRD CONCERNS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN "ALGERIAN-SAUDI INTERNATIONAL LEASING COMPANY" STARTING WITH 20 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS AS CAPITAL. THE LAST TWO AGREEMENTS ARE BETWEEN ALGERIAN AND SAUDI BANKS WORTH AN ESTIMATED TOTAL OF 200 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

THE ACCORDS WERE CONCLUDED AT THE END OF A 2-DAY VISIT BY SHEIKH SALAH ABDALLAH ET KAMEL, PRESIDENT OF THE "EL-BARAKA."

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#90309h0045 11/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ACCRA (NOV. 5) XINHUA - ALL GHANAIAN CIVIL SERVANTS WILL RECEIVE A NON-TAXABLE WAGE SUPPLEMENT OF 30 PERCENT OF THE BASIC SALARY.

BESIDES, THEY WILL GET A TRANSPORT SUPPLEMENT OF 15 PERCENT OF THE BASIC SALARY.

THESE FORM PART OF THE MEASURES TAKEN BY THE GHANAIAN GOVERNMENT TO CUSHION THE IMPACT OF INCREASES IN PETROLEUM PRICES ANNOUNCED AT THE WEEKEND ON THE COST OF LIVING.

A STATEMENT ISSUED ON SUNDAY BY THE GHANAIAN MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC PLANNING SAID THE DECISION TOOK EFFECT FROM NOVEMBER 1.

THE STATEMENT ALSO ANNOUNCED MEASURES TO CONTROL FUEL CONSUMPTION TO ENSURE

THAT THE BUDGET IS NOT BURDENED BY AN INCREASE IN FUEL BILLS.

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#90309h0055 11/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 5) XINHUA - DESPITE THE CURRENT GULF CRISIS, INDIA'S MANPOWER EXPORT TO SAUDI ARABIA AND THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES IS EXPECTED TO RECEIVE A MAJOR BOOST FOLLOWING THE EXODUS OF YEMENI NATIONALS FROM THE SAUDI KINGDOM, LOCAL PRESS REPORTS SAID TODAY.

MORE THAN THREE MILLION YEMENIS, WHO WERE ENGAGED IN ALL TYPES OF JOBS, ARE NOW LEAVING THE KINGDOM FOLLOWING A DIRECTIVE FROM THE YEMENI GOVERNMENT ASKING THEM TO LEAVE SAUDI ARABIA WITHIN THREE MONTHS, THE REPORTS SAID.

IN FACT, SAUDI ARABIA HAS ALSO DECIDED TO IMPOSE CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON THE YEMENIS BY ASKING THEM TO GET SPONSORSHIP CERTIFICATES FROM THE SAUDI NATIONALS FOR WORKING IN THE KINGDOM.

A HIGH-LEVEL INDIAN DELEGATION RECENTLY VISITED JEDDAH, RIYADH AND OTHER CITIES OF SAUDI ARABIA TO HOLD NEGOTIATIONS WITH SAUDI OFFICIALS FOR EXPORT OF SKILLED AND UNSKILLED MANPOWER FROM INDIA.

THERE ARE MORE THAN 350,000 INDIANS WORKING IN VARIOUS SECTORS AND FIELDS IN SAUDI ARABIA NOW AND THE AUTHORITIES PREFER INDIAN WORKERS. THE INDIANS ARE MAINLY ENGAGED IN HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION, ENGINEERING, TELECOMMUNICATION AND HOTEL MANAGEMENT, ACCORDING TO THE REPORTS.

THE SAUDIS HAVE ALSO DECIDED TO GIVE PREFERENCE TO WORKERS FROM PAKISTAN, BANGLADESH, SRI LANKA AND THE PHILIPPINES.

THERE ARE ABOUT ONE MILLION INDIANS IN THE GULF REGION AND THEIR REMITTANCES ARE A MAJOR FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNER FOR INDIA.

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#90309h0059 11/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

FREETOWN (NOV. 5) XINHUA - THE SPRIGGS PAYNE AIRPORT IN THE LIBERIAN CAPITAL OF MONROVIA WILL RE-OPEN THIS WEEK AS IT CAN NOW "BE USED WITH ALL SAFETY."

THE AIRPORT, SIX KM FROM THE CENTER OF THE CAPITAL "CAN NOW BE USED WITH ALL SAFETY," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE PEACE-KEEPING FORCE OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES (ECOWAS) SAID HERE AT THE WEEKEND.

HE SAID THAT THREE NIGERIAN MILITARY HELICOPTERS HAD ALREADY USED THE AIRPORT TO FERRY WOUNDED TROOPS OF THE PEACE-KEEPING FORCE FROM LIBERIA TO HOSPITALS IN THE SIERRA LEONEAN CAPITAL FREETOWN.

THE PEACE-KEEPING FORCE CAPTURED THE AIRPORT FROM THE LIBERIAN ANTI-GOVERNMENT

FORCE LED BY CHARLES TAYLOR ABOUT A MONTH AGO.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE ECOWAS FORCE HAS PUSHED TAYLOR'S TROOPS BACK AS FAR AS KAKATA, ABOUT 60KM FROM THE CAPITAL.

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WELLINGTON (NOV. 5) XINHUA - NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT'S CASH POSITION OF 2.556 BILLION N.Z. DOLLARS (1.534 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FOR 1990/91 FINANCIAL YEAR WILL BE USED TO REPAY DOMESTIC AND OVERSEAS DEBTS, FINANCE MINISTER RUTH RICHARDSON ANNOUNCED TODAY.

WHEN RELEASING THE COUNTRY'S DOMESTIC BORROWING PROGRAM TO COVER THE REMAINDER OF 1990/91 AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE THIS AFTERNOON, SHE SAID THAT THE 2.556 BILLION N.Z. DOLLARS SURPLUS IS INSUFFICIENT TO COVER ALL MATURING DOMESTIC AND OFFSHORE DEBTS AND A BORROWING PROGRAM IS NECESSARY.

"THE NECESSITY FOR A BORROWING PROGRAM IS THE RESULT OF THE PROJECTED GOVERNMENT SURPLUS (GOVERNMENT CASH POSITION) FOR THE YEAR BEING REDUCED FROM 4.989 BILLION N.Z. DOLLARS (2.993 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN PREVIOUS BUDGET TO 2.556 BILLION (1.534 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) UNDER THE REVISED FISCAL OUTLOOK FOR 1990/91.

THE REVISED FISCAL OUTLOOK FOR 1990/91 FINANCIAL YEAR, ALSO RELEASED TODAY, FORECASTS AN INCOME OF 4,555 MILLION N.Z. DOLLARS (2,733 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FROM EQUITY SALES BY THE GOVERNMENT, WHICH IS 1,145 MILLION N.Z. DOLLARS (687 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) LESS COMPARED WITH THE BUDGET PROJECTED BY THE LABOR GOVERNMENT IN JULY.

APPROXIMATELY 1.2 BILLION N.Z. DOLLARS (0.72 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) HAVE NOW BEEN AVAILABLE TO REPAY HALF OF THE MATURING DOMESTIC DEBT OF 2.4 BILLION (1.44 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS). THE REMAINING WOULD NEED TO BE REFINANCED THROUGH DOMESTIC BORROWING, THE MINISTER SAID.

SHE ADDED THAT THE BORROWING WOULD CONSIST OF A BOND TENDER PROGRAM OF UP TO 900 MILLION (540 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) WITH THE REMAINDER RAISED THROUGH REGULAR TREASURY BILL SALES.

ABOUT 1.3 BILLION (0.78 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) WOULD BE USED FOR REPAYING OVERSEAS DEBT, SHE NOTED. NEW ZEALAND NOW HAS A TOTAL FOREIGN DEBT OF ABOUT 50 BILLION N.Z. DOLLARS (30 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

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BEIJING (NOV. 5) XINHUA - CHINA'S REAL ESTATE INDUSTRY HAS BEEN BOOMING OVER THE PAST DECADE, ECONOMIC DAILY REPORTED TODAY.

THE BEIJING-BASED NATIONAL PAPER SAID THAT THE INDUSTRY HAS INVESTED 210 BILLION YUAN (ABOUT 44.68 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN THE PAST TEN YEARS TO BUILD NEW RESIDENTIAL QUARTERS, WITH A TOTAL FLOOR SPACE OF 1.165 BILLION SQUARE METERS, IN THE URBAN AREAS THROUGHOUT CHINA.

CHINA HAS MORE THAN 7,000 ENTERPRISES AND INSTITUTIONS WITH 2.4 MILLION EMPLOYEES ENGAGED IN THE REAL ESTATE AND CONSTRUCTION BUSINESS.

REAL ESTATE COMPANIES BEGAN TO SPRING UP ACROSS THE COUNTRY IN 1980.

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DHAKA (NOV. 5) XINHUA - EXPRESS MAIL SERVICE BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY WILL BE INTRODUCED WITH EFFECT FROM NOVEMBER 7, ACCORDING TO A PRESS RELEASE OF THE DIRECTORATE OF POSTAL SERVICES HERE TODAY.

IN BANGLADESH, THE SERVICE IS AVAILABLE IN METROPOLITAN AREA OF DHAKA AND MUNICIPAL AREAS OF OTHER FIVE MAJOR CITIES OF CHITTAGONG, KHULNA, RAJSHAHI, SYLHET AND JESSORE. IN GERMANY, IT IS AVAILABLE AT ALL PLACES.

EXPRESS MAIL SERVICE LETTERS, BUSINESS PAPERS, SAMPLES AND MERCHANDISE SENT FROM BANGLADESH WILL BE DELIVERED IN GERMANY ON THE SAME DAY OF RECEIPT AND AT OTHER PLACES THE NEXT DAY.

IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE QUICKEST RECEIPT AND DESPATCH OF THE EXPRESS MAIL SERVICE ITEMS BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND FEDERAL GERMANY ALL AVAILABLE FLIGHTS OF VARIOUS AIRLINES WILL BE USED, THE PRESS RELEASE ADDED.

BANGLADESH HAS EXPRESS MAIL SERVICE WITH MORE THAN 30 COUNTRIES, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL SOURCES HERE.

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SHANGHAI (NOV. 5) XINHUA - THE INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION OF SHANGHAI, CHINA'S LEADING INDUSTRIAL CITY, KEPT UP ITS RISING MOMENTUM IN OCTOBER WITH A MONTHLY OUTPUT VALUE OF 10 BILLION YUAN, A 12.6 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

THE GROWTH RATES OF BOTH LIGHT AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES REGISTERED 10 PERCENT INCREASES IN OCTOBER. THE INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT VALUE OF STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISES WENT UP BY 4.8 PERCENT AND THAT OF COLLECTIVELY-OWNED ENTERPRISES, BY 16.5 PERCENT, A LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE PRODUCTION OF TOWNSHIP- AND VILLAGE-RUN FACTORIES SHOWED STEADY INCREASES. THE OUTPUT VALUE OF THESE FACTORIES IN OCTOBER SHOT UP BY 20 PERCENT COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

BY THE END OF SEPTEMBER THE COMBINED OUTPUT VALUE OF 230 MARKETABLE PRODUCTS HAD REACHED 12.5 BILLION YUAN THIS YEAR, MAKING UP 14.7 PERCENT OF THE CITY'S TOTAL INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT VALUE IN THE SAME PERIOD.

THE OFFICIAL SAID SHANGHAI YIELDED 95.24 BILLION YUAN IN INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT VALUE IN THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, REPRESENTING A 2.4 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

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#90309h0118 11/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (NOV. 5) XINHUA - IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES PLC OF BRITAIN (ICI) REOPENED ITS OFFICE IN SHANGHAI TODAY AFTER 40 YEARS.

THE REOPENING OF THE OFFICE SHOWS THAT THE COMPANY HAS CONFIDENCE IN THE FUTURE OF CO-OPERATION WITH CHINA AND THE INVESTMENT ENVIRONMENT IN CHINA, SAID WILLIAM F. MADDEN, PRESIDENT OF ICI'S ASIAN AND PACIFIC BRANCH, AT A RECEPTION FOR CHINESE AND FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS HERE TODAY.

PAUL R. SCHINDLER, CHAIRMAN OF THE ICI BOARD OF DIRECTORS, DISCLOSED AT THE RECEPTION THAT HIS COMPANY HAS DRAWN UP A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR ITS EXPANSION IN THE ASIAN AND PACIFIC REGION. ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF THE PLAN IS THE ENHANCEMENT OF CO-OPERATION WITH CHINA, ONE OF THE FEW COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE ACHIEVED STRIKING ECONOMIC GROWTH IN THE ASIAN AND PACIFIC REGION, AND ESPECIALLY WITH SHANGHAI, CHINA'S LARGEST INDUSTRIAL AND FINANCIAL CITY.

ICI IS DISCUSSING CO-OPERATION WITH SHANGHAI IN BUILDING A TITANIUM WHITE ENTERPRISE, CONDUCTING COMPENSATION TRADE IN CAUSTIC SODA PRODUCTION AND UNDERTAKING ACADEMIC EXCHANGES BETWEEN INSTITUTES OF HIGHER LEARNING IN BRITAIN AND CHINA.

THE COMPANY IS ALSO MAKING EFFORTS TO BUILD ENTERPRISES IN HENAN PROVINCE, WUHAN, CAPITAL OF CENTRAL CHINA'S HUBEI PROVINCE, AND SOME SOUTHERN CHINESE CITIES, HE REVEALED.

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#90309h0135 11/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GLASGOW, SCOTLAND (NOV. 5) XINHUA - BRITISH BUSINESS LEADERS TODAY CALLED FOR INCREASED TRADE AND ECONOMIC LINKS BETWEEN BRITAIN AND EASTERN EUROPE.

A RESOLUTION PASSED WITH A LARGE MAJORITY ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE TWO-DAY ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE CONFEDERATION OF BRITISH INDUSTRY (CBI) WARNED THAT "BRITISH BUSINESS IS MISSING OUT ON IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITIES IN CENTRAL AND

EASTERN EUROPE." IT URGED CBI MEMBERS TO "LOSE NO TIME IN DEVELOPING STRATEGIES FOR INVESTING IN THE NEW EUROPE."

MOVING THE MOTION IN A DEBATE ON THE CHALLENGE OF THE NEW EUROPE, LORD JELLICOE, PRESIDENT OF CBI'S EAST EUROPEAN TRADE COUNCIL, WARNED THAT BRITAIN HAS LAGGED BEHIND THE OTHER MAJOR WEST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES IN BUSINESS WITH EASTERN EUROPE.

HE SAID BRITAIN WAS IN EIGHTH PLACE LAST YEAR, BEHIND AUSTRIA. BRITISH EXPORTS TO EASTERN EUROPE AS A WHOLE WERE ONE NINTH OF GERMANY'S AND TWO FIFTHS OF ITALY'S, HE ADDED.

BRITAIN WAS AGAIN EIGHTH IN TRADE WITH THE SOVIET UNION WITH ITALY AND FRANCE BOTH EXPORTING TWICE AS MUCH TO MOSCOW, HE ADDED.

BRITISH BUSINESS LEADERS BELIEVE THAT RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN EASTERN EUROPE OFFER "UNPRECEDENTED" BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES IN ONE OF THE WORLD'S LAST UNDERDEVELOPED MARKETS - A MAKRET OF 400 MILLION PEOPLE.

IN HIS SPEECH, ALAN LEWIS, CHAIRMAN OF THE CBI INITIATIVE EASTERN EUROPE, SAID THE CBI HAS DECIDED TO LAUNCH THE INITIATIVE IN JANUARY NEXT YEAR.

"THIS IS AN INITIATIVE CHARGED WITH THE TASK OF ACTING AS AN INVESTMENT BRIDGE AND BUSINESS CATALYST BETWEEN BRITAIN AND THE COUNTRIES OF EASTERN EUROPE," HE SAID.

"WE WILL EXPLORE, STUDY AND ASSESS THE WEALTH OF OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO BRITISH INDUSTRY."

HE ADDED THAT THE INITIATIVE WILL "ASSIST BRITISH BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY TO PREPARE THEIR ORGANIZATIONS FOR ENTERING INTO TRADE WITH THE EASTERN BLOC COUNTRIES."

STEPHEN HAYKLAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE CBI LONDON REGION, ANNOUNCED AT THE CONFERENCE THE CREATION OF A EURO TRADE CENTER IN THE BRITISH CAPITAL, WHICH IS TO BE A MAJOR FACILITY AVAILABLE TO MORE THAN 30,000 ENTERPRISES FROM EASTERN EUROPE.

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#90309h0136 11/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NICOSIA (NOV. 5) XINHUA - CYPRUS EXPORTS INCREASED BY 17.6 PERCENT TO 231.5 MILLION CYPRUS POUNDS (ONE POUND EQUALS TO TWO U.S. DOLLARS) DURING THE FIRST HALF OF 1990 AS AGAINST 196.9 MILLION POUNDS IN THE SAME PERIOD OF 1989, THE FINANCE MINISTRY'S DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS REPORTED TODAY.

NEARLY 70 MILLION POUNDS OF THE TOTAL WAS IN THE FORM OF RE-EXPORTS, THE REPORT SAID.

EUROPEAN COMMUNITY COUNTRIES ABSORBED 61 PERCENT OR 92.3 MILLION POUNDS OF CYPRUS EXPORTS, FOLLOWED BY THE ARAB COUNTRIES WITH A SHARE OF 18.8 PERCENT.

MEANWHILE, TOTAL IMPORTS FELL BY 0.9 PERCENT TO 598.4 MILLION POUNDS IN THE SAME PERIOD.

EC COUNTRIES SUPPLIED CYPRUS WITH GOODS VALUED AT 330 MILLION POUNDS OR 55.1 PERCENT OF ITS TOTAL IMPORTS COMPARED WITH 59.2 PERCENT IN THE SAME PERIOD OF 1989.

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#90309h0196 11/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LOME (NOV. 6) XINHUA - SOME 120 MILLION PEOPLE IN SUB SAHARAN AFRICAN COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO AN IMMOBILIZING PARASITIC DISEASE WHICH IS SPREAD THROUGH LARVA-CONTAMINATED WATER, THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER "LA NOUVELLE MARCHE" REPORTED TODAY.

THE DISEASE, CALLED "VER DU GUINEE," INFECTS ANYONE WHO DRINKS WATER CONTAMINATED BY THE LARVA OF THE "DRACUNCULUS MEDINENSIS" PARASITE, MAKING THE VICTIM EXTREMELY TIRED AND DEPRESSED FOR WEEKS OR EVEN MONTHS.

TO DATE NO VACCINE HAS PROVED EFFECTIVE IN COMBATING THE DISEASE, AND THE ONLY WAY TO AVOID THE PROBLEM IS TO CLEAN UP THE WATER SUPPLY, THE REPORT SAID, ADDING THAT THE U.S. CHEMICAL COMPANY CYANAMID IS INTRODUCING A CHEMICAL SUBSTANCE CALLED "TEMEPHOS" WHICH HAS PROVED SUCCESSFUL IN KILLING THE LARVA.

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#90309h0202 11/05/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (NOV. 6) XINHUA - MAN WILL REACH MARS BY THE 2015, SAID COSTA RICAN ASTRONAUT FRANKLIN CHANG DIAZ, A NATURALIZED U.S. CITIZEN AND AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN THE U.S. SPACE SHUTTLE FLIGHTS.

CHANG DIAZ SAID SUNDAY THAT 25 YEARS FROM TODAY MAN WILL LAND ON MARS AND THEN RETURN TO THE MOON IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH A PERMANENT BASE THERE.

CHANG DIAZ, WHO IS CURRENTLY VISITING PLATA CITY, THE CAPITAL OF BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE, IS THE ONLY ASTRONAUT OF LATIN AMERICAN ORIGIN TO BE TAKING PART IN NASA PROJECTS. IN 1986 HE JOINED MISSION COLUMBIA, WHICH PLACED THE SAT-COM KU SATELLITE IN ORBIT. IN 1989 HE WAS A CREW MEMBER ABOARD THE MISSION ATLANTIS, WHICH LAUNCHED THE GALILEO SPACESHIP PROGRAMMED TO EXPLORE JUPITER.

ACCORDING TO ARGENTINA'S OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY, TELAM, THE 40-YEAR-OLD CHANG DIAZ TOLD REPORTERS AT A PRESS CONFERENCE, "ALL OF THE SPACE EXPLORATION PROJECTS MAKE SENSE BECAUSE OF THE NEED TO ASSURE OURSELVES OF OUR OWN SURVIVAL," CHANG DIAZ SAID. "THE WORLD, AFTERALL, IS A FINITE ENTITY THAT HAS

LIMITED RESOURCES, EVEN IF THEY ARE CARED FOR AND PROTECTED."

SAYING THAT A MARS LANDING WOULD FIRST BE ATTEMPTED WITH ROBOTS, CHANG DIAZ SAID THAT THE TRIP, CALCULATED TO LAST ABOUT 10 MONTHS, IS "PSYCHOLOGICALLY SOMEWHAT DIFFICULT FOR THE CREW."

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America's Black Forum November 3, 1990 (Transcript #5)

A look at the causes of the increased incidence of AIDS in the black community and its staggering social and economic effects on black families and its littlest victims, black children.

Adam Smith's Money World November 2, 1990 (Transcript #705)

Free Lunch Politics -- Will Voters Keep Eating It Up?: A look at campaigning and speaking up on important issues -- budget, banking and taxation.

Crossfire (CNN) November 2, 1990 (Transcript #175)

Bush's Muddled Message: Political analyst William Schneider and former National Security Adviser Richard Allen discuss President Bush's apparently confusing statements about whether or not the U.S. should be preparing for war in the Persian Gulf.

Donahue November 2, 1990 (Transcript #3069)

Did Her Breasts Get in the Way of Her Career?: Three women tell how their unusually large breasts have made life difficult for them, causing them to be harassed and trivialized by both men and women, and ultimately losing them their jobs.

Geraldo November 2, 1990 (Transcript #817)

Test Tube Babies: Couples and doctors discuss the pros and cons of artificial insemination, including sperm bank mix-ups and children who may never know

their biological fathers.

Health Week (CNN) November 3, 1990 (Transcript #39)

Federal studies tracking treatment of heart disease; lower back pain; cataracts and prostate problems; cancer insurance for breast cancer treatment; gallstone treatments.

Inside Albany November 4, 1990 (Transcript #209) ''Cuomo vs. Rinfret''; ''Regan vs. Bellamy''; ''Abrans vs. Smith'' (last look at major parties' statewide candidates); ''Environmental Bond Act'' (major issue to be decided in November 6 election).

Larry King Live (CNN) November 2, 1990 (Transcript #163)

Adultery in America: Cheaters, their spouses, a therapist and two private investigators discuss how adultery affects marriages and how one can tell if one's spouse is having an affair.

Nightline (ABC) November 2, 1990 (Transcript #2465)

''New Iraqi Hostage Footage'' (the living conditions of Western hostages); ''Two Mid-Term Election Races'' (the Senate race of Jesse Helms and Harvey Gantt in North Carolina and the Congressional race of James Inhofe and Bert Glassco in Oklahoma).

Oprah Winfrey Show November 2, 1990 (Transcript #1080)

The Computer Dating Game: Single men and women are matched for compatibility by computer at Dave Gorman's ''Calculated Couples''.

Sally Jessy Raphael November 2, 1990 (Transcript #565)

Should You Dump Him?: Three couples who can't decide whether to stay together or break up tell their stories. Audience members give the couples their advice as do Sue and Steve Simring, authors of The Compatability Quotient.

Science & Technology Week (CNN) November 3, 1990 (Transcript #39)

A new way to monitor blood oxygen levels; the Chunnel project; NASA shuttles; computerized voting machines; excavation of dinosaur bones; new heat sensors; robotics in the workplace.

60 Minutes (CBS) November 4, 1990 (Transcript #2308)

''The Secret of the Gara Mountains'' (Saddam Hussein is mining uranium in the remote hills of northern Iraq for his atom bomb project); ''Bad Cops'' (Oakland Housing Authority police terrorize citizens to meet arrest quotas);

''Beyond Malpractice'' (how did a former Nazi and mental patient get a license to practice in Hawaii?); ''A Few Minutes With Andy Rooney'' (searching in vain for a barrel of oil).

20/20 (ABC) November 2, 1990 (Transcript #1044)

''Personal and Private'' (two-part interview with former President Ronald Reagan about his perspective on his two terms in office, his childhood and acting career, his marriages and children, the Iran-Contra affair and his views on the U.S. economy and history); ''Those Who Serve'' (a report on members of the Tennessee National Guard who have been called up for active duty in Saudi Arabia. Tom Jarriel talks to three Guard members and their families about their feelings just before departure).

This Week with David Brinkley (ABC) November 4, 1990 (Transcript #471)

The Messy Mid-Term Election Campaign: What may be one of the messiest elections ever, with voters angry over the deficit and taxes, the S&L scandal, broken promises of ''no new taxes,'' and dirty political campaigns. Now there are movements to limit politicians' terms in office.

Wall Street Journal Report November 4, 1990 (Transcript #423)

''Death of a Salesman'' (the coming white collar layoffs and what workers can do); ''Timely Exit'' (legislation to limit political terms in office); ''Di-Vine Savior'' (biotech help for U.S. wine industry).

Washington Week in Review (WETA) November 2, 1990 (Transcript #136)

Why is President Bush escalating rhetoric on Hussein?; prediction and discussion of upcoming elections; little noticed accomplishments of this year's Congress.

The West November 3, 1990 (Transcript #197)

''The Politics of Polygamy'' (polygamists are enlisting the aid of civil libertarians to press their case in the courts); ''Beverly Hills'' (perfuming your garbage and not being able to use power tools -- life amongst the stars); ''Environmental Indiana Jones'' (Hollywood filmmakers are bidding for the rights to an environmentalist's story).

Monday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Angela Lansbury Sally Jessy Raphael: Con Artists Geraldo: What Black Men Really Want From Black Women Oprah Winfrey: Regaining Weight The American Experience: The Satellite Sky

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OSAKA (NOV. 5) KYODO - KANSAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CO. ON THURSDAY WILL INAUGURATE A NEW FIRM TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNICATION SERVICES FOR THE NEW AIRPORT, CURRENTLY UNDER CONSTRUCTION ON A MAN-MADE ISLAND IN OSAKA BAY, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

THE NEW FIRM, NAMED KIA INFORMATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK CO., WILL OFFICIALLY START OPERATIONS ON THURSDAY AFTER REGISTRATION PROCEDURES ARE COMPLETED, OFFICIALS OF KANSAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CO. SAID.

THE NEW FIRM WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 1 BILLION YEN. KANSAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT WILL INVEST 51 PERCENT OF THE CAPITAL AND A GROUP OF 22 COMPANIES THE REMAINDER. AMONG THE COMPANIES ARE NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. (NTT) JAPAN AIRLINES CO., KANSAI ELECTRIC POWER CO., AND SANWA BANK LTD.

HIROSHI YAMADA, A MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE PARENT COMPANY, WAS NAMED AS THE NEW FIRM'S PRESIDENT ON MONDAY.

THE COMPANY WAS SET UP TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES FOR THE AIRPORT, SCHEDULED TO OPEN IN 1993 AS THE NATION'S FIRST 24-HOUR AIRPORT.

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS, THE COMMUNICATION FIRM WILL ALSO RECEIVE INFORMATION MANAGEMENT WORK FROM THE AIRPORT AND CONSTRUCT A HIGHLY DEVELOPED INFORMATION NETWORK WITHIN THE AIRPORT.

SUCH WORK WILL INCLUDE INSTALLATION AND CONTROL OF NTT'S PUBLIC PHONE NETWORK AND MANAGEMENT OF COMMUNICATION LINES BETWEEN AIRLINE COMPANIES AND THE AIRPORT MANAGEMENT.

IT WILL ALSO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR VARIOUS MODES OF COMMUNICATION IN THE AIRPORT, SUCH AS RADIO, VISUAL AUDIO EQUIPMENT, AND COMPUTER TERMINALS.

THE OFFICIALS SAID CONSTRUCTION OF THE COMMUNICATION NETWORK, ESTIMATED TO COST 6 BILLION YEN, IS NOW BEING CONSIDERED BASED ON A PLAN SUBMITTED BY AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CO. AND NTT, AND IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

COMPLETION OF THE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT WAS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 1993, BUT THE AIRPORT COMPANY RECENTLY SAID IT IS LIKELY TO BE DELAYED BY SIX MONTHS TO A YEAR.

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#90309k0028 11/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 5) KYODO - NIKKO SECURITIES CO., ONE OF THE FOUR LARGEST IN JAPAN ANNOUNCED MONDAY THAT IT WILL ESTABLISH A SUBSIDIARY IN JAKARTA ON NOVEMBER 14.

NIKKO OFFICIALS SAID THEY ARE EXPECTING AN EXPANSION OF THE SECURITIES MARKET IN INDONESIA DUE TO THE COUNTRY'S RAPID ECONOMIC GROWTH, EASING OF FINANCIAL REGULATIONS, AND OPENING TO FOREIGN CAPITAL IN ESTABLISHING LOCAL CORPORATIONS.

NIKKO WILL HOLD A 65 PERCENT SHARE OF P.T. NIKKO SECURITIES INDONESIA WITH 20 EMPLOYEES. THE FIRM WILL START WITH CAPITAL OF 15 BILLION RUPIAH, THE EQUIVALENT OF 1 BILLION YEN.

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#90309k0030 11/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 5) KYODO - TOSHIBA CORP. SAID MONDAY IT WILL MARKET AN 8-MILLIMETER CAMCORDER, OR COMBINATION VIDEO CAMERA AND RECORDER, FOR PROFESSIONAL USE FROM JANUARY 18, 1991.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT IS A MAJOR POLICY CHANGE FOR TOSHIBA IN THE FAST GROWING CAMCORDER MARKET WHERE TWO GROUPS LED BY SONY CORP. AND MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO. ARE COMPETING WITH EACH OTHER FOR MARKET SHARE.

TOSHIBA HAD PREVIOUSLY NOT SUPPLIED 8-MILLIMETER FORMAT CAMCORDERS, WHICH ARE MADE BY THE SONY-LED GROUP, BUT SALES GROWTH FOR ITS VHS FORMAT CAMCORDERS REPORTEDLY HAS BEEN SLUGGISH.

THE NEW PRODUCT, WHICH WEIGHS 5.7 KILOGRAMS, CAN RECORD UP TO 2 HOURS WITHOUT INTERRUPTION. IT WILL RETAIL FOR 1.2 MILLION YEN A UNIT.

TOSHIBA SAID THE NEW PRODUCT IS INTENDED LARGELY FOR EDUCATIONAL USE AT SCHOOLS AND PRODUCTION OF CORPORATE VIDEOS.

ANALYSTS SAID TOSHIBA MAY INTRODUCE AN 8-MILLIMETER CAMCORDER FOR CONSUMER USE IN THE FUTURE FOLLOWING THE PROFESSIONAL-USE MODEL.

HITACHI LTD., ANOTHER COMPANY MAKING VHS FORMAT CAMCORDERS, HAS ALREADY ANNOUNCED IT WILL STEP INTO THE 8-MILLIMETER CAMCORDER MARKET.

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#90309k0057 11/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 5) KYODO - CBS SONY GROUP PLANS TO DEVELOP SOFTWARE WITH SONY CORP. FOR THE NEW ADVANCED MEDIA OF THE FUTURE, SUCH AS BROADCASTING SATELLITES AND COMPUTERS CONNECTED TO AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT, AN INDUSTRY SOURCE SAID MONDAY.

THESE SO-CALLED ''NEXT GENERATION MEDIA'' ARE IN THE PROCESS OF RAPID DEVELOPMENT, WITH HIGH-DEFINITION TELEVISION SYSTEMS, FOR INSTANCE, EXPECTED TO BECOME POPULAR IN FIVE TO 10 YEARS' TIME.

ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE, CBS SONY'S MAIN PROJECT AT THIS POINT IS TO DEVELOP SOFTWARE FOR ADVANCED DIGITAL RECORDING EQUIPMENT FOR COMPACT DISKS (CDS). SONY IS EXPECTED TO BE THE FIRST COMPANY TO MARKET THE EQUIPMENT IN JAPAN NEXT YEAR.

THE SOURCE ADDED THE PROJECT ALSO MEANS CBS SONY CAN BOOST AND DIVERSIFY ITS OPERATIONS AFTER APRIL NEXT YEAR WHEN IT CHANGES ITS NAME TO SONY MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT INC.

SONY ANNOUNCED LAST MONTH THAT IT HAD AGREED WITH U.S. BROADCASTING NETWORK CBS INC. TO CHANGE ITS NAME WHEN IT ACQUIRED CBS RECORDS INC. IN AMERICA IN 1988 FROM ITS PARENT BROADCASTING COMPANY.

CBS SONY'S ANNUAL SALES IN FISCAL 1989 TOTALED 78.9 BILLION YEN, OF WHICH 70 PERCENT WAS FROM SOFTWARE SALES OF CDS AND CASSETTE RECORDERS.

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#90309k0059 11/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 5) KYODO - AN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT COVERING THE TECHNOLOGICAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE NEXT-GENERATION DIGITAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM IS EXPECTED TO BE REACHED AT A CONFERENCE SET FOR JAPAN LATER THIS MONTH, OFFICIALS OF THE POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY SAID MONDAY.

THE PARIS-BASED COMITE CONSULTATIF INTERNATIONAL TELEGRAPHIQUE ET TELEPHONIQUE (CCITT) WILL LIKELY PROPOSE TECHNOLOGICAL STANDARDS PERTAINING TO BROAD-BAND INTEGRATED SERVICES DIGITAL NETWORKS (ISDN) WHEN IT CONVENES NOVEMBER 26 THROUGH DECEMBER 7 IN MATSUYAMA CITY, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

ISDN CAN MOVE 100 MILLION OR MORE BITS OF DATA PER SECOND, 70 TIMES FASTER THAN CURRENT ISDN CIRCUITS.

THE NETWORK CAN TRANSMIT DIGITIZED VOICE, DATA, AND VIDEO TRAFFIC THROUGH A SINGLE OPTICAL FIBER LINE. THE LESSER 64-KILOBIT ISDN CAN SEND 4,000 KANJI PER SECOND, 30 TIMES FASTER THAN CURRENT ANALOGUE SYSTEM.

HIGHER-CAPACITY ISDN NETWORKS CAN TRANSMIT MOVING IMAGES FOR FULL-MOTION VIDEO

CONFERENCING AND HIGH-DEFINITION TELEVISION. NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. PLANS TO LAUNCH SUCH NETWORKS BY 1995.

CCITT, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO COME UP WITH THE DETAILED INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGICAL STANDARDS FOR BROAD-BAND ISDN BY 1992, WILL MAKE ITS RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE METHOD FOR CHANGING THE MODE AND THE SPEED OF TRANSMISSION.

IT WILL ALSO MAKE SIMILAR PROPOSALS FOR THE INTERFACE BETWEEN USER TERMINALS THAT REGULATE THE SPEED AND ELECTRIC FEATURES OF DIGITAL SIGNALS AND THE NETWORK LINES, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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OSAKA (NOV. 5) KYODO - MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO. SAID MONDAY IT WILL OPEN AN EXHIBITION OF IMPORTED SEMICONDUCTORS ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY JOINTLY WITH AFFILIATED COMPANIES.

IT IS THE SECOND EXHIBITION FOLLOWING ONE LAST YEAR AND IS AIMED AT SATISFYING THE U.S. REQUEST FOR MORE JAPANESE PURCHASES OF FOREIGN-MADE SEMICONDUCTORS, MATSUSHITA OFFICIALS SAID.

AS MANY AS 100 FOREIGN COMPANIES, INCLUDING INTEL CORP. AND MOTOROLA INC., WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE EXHIBITON, WITH OVER 1,000 BUYERS AND ENGINEERS EXPECTED FROM THE MATSUSHITA GROUP.

AT THE TWO-DAY EXHIBITION, MATSUSHITA WILL HOLD A SEMINAR TO EXPLAIN THE TECHNICAL APPLICATIONS OF THE SEMICONDUCTORS IN ITS PRODUCTS, WHILE THE FOREIGN COMPANIES WILL EXPLAIN THE USES OF THEIR PRODUCTS.

IN OCTOBER, MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC SENT A SEMICONDUCTOR BUYING MISSION TO THE U.S. FOR NEGOTIATIONS THAT GENERATED A POTENTIAL 12 BILLION YEN IN BUSINESS.

THE MATSUSHITA GROUP BOUGHT 27.4 BILLION YEN IN FOREIGN SEMICONDUCTORS IN FISCAL 1989, ALMOST 13 PERCENT OF ITS PURCHASES. IT PLANS TO ENLARGE ITS PURCHASES TO 38.0 BILLION YEN IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1991.

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TOKYO (NOV. 5) KYODO - THE EMPLOYMENT RATE FOR FEMALE UNIVERSITY GRADUATES EQUALED THAT FOR MEN THIS YEAR FOR THE FIRST TIME, WITH BOTH GROUPS REGISTERING 81 PERCENT, THE EDUCATION MINISTRY SAID MONDAY.

THE MINISTRY SAID A RECORD 88,879 FEMALE STUDENTS, UP 9,900 FROM 1989, TOOK UP JOBS AFTER GRADUATION FROM UNIVERSITIES IN JAPAN THIS PAST SPRING. THE FIGURE FOR MEN WAS 235,285, UP 14,300.

IT SAID UNIVERSITY GRADUATES HIT A RECORD 400,103, UP 23,000 FROM 1989, OF WHOM WOMEN NUMBERED 109,750, UP 9,100.

THE EMPLOYMENT RATE FOR WOMEN GRADUATES JUMPED 2.5 PERCENT TO EQUAL THAT OF MALE GRADUATES AT 81 PERCENT FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY, FOUR YEARS AFTER THE MALE-FEMALE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LAW WAS ENFORCED, A MINISTRY SURVEY FOUND.

BUT THERE IS STILL A GAP IN PAY. ACCORDING TO A 1989 CROSS-INDUSTRY SURVEY, THE LATEST DATA AVAILABLE, NEW FEMALE UNIVERSITY GRADUATES RECEIVED AN AVERAGE STARTING SALARY OF 155,600 YEN A MONTH, COMPARED TO 160,900 YEN FOR NEW MALE GRADUATES, A LABOR MINISTRY OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF STATISTICS SAID.

THE OFFICIAL SAID THERE IS NO ENFORCING POWER AT PRESENT TO REQUIRE FIRMS TO PROVIDE EQUAL PAY FOR BOTH SEXES, ALTHOUGH LOCAL LABOR OFFICES ARE RECOMMENDING EQUAL PAYMENT.

THE MINISTRY SAID THE LARGEST GROUP OF WOMEN GRADUATES, 44.2 PERCENT, WENT INTO SERVICE INDUSTRIES, FOLLOWED BY 19.1 PERCENT IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND 12.6 PERCENT IN DISTRIBUTION, RETAIL FIRMS, AND RESTAURANTS.

OF MEN, 31.2 PERCENT WENT INTO MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND 19.4 PERCENT TO SERVICE INDUSTRIES, WHILE 15 PERCENT JOINED FIRMS IN THE THIRD CATEGORY ABOVE.

MINISTRY SOURCES SAID THE RISE IN WOMEN'S EMPLOYMENT HAS BEEN BACKED BY THEIR WILLINGNESS TO WORK, AND THE NEED FOR FEMALE WORKERS UNDER THE CURRENT ECONOMIC EXPANSION.

IN MONDAY'S SURVEY, IF JUNIOR COLLEGES ARE INCLUDED, MORE WOMEN THAN MEN NOW GO ON FOR HIGHER EDUCATION, AND THIS IS REFLECTED IN THE EMPLOYMENT PICTURE.

INCLUDING GRADUATES OF JUNIOR COLLEGES, ATTENDED MOSTLY BY WOMEN, USUALLY FOR TWO YEARS, 259,000 WOMEN WENT TO WORK AFTER GRADUATION THIS YEAR, COMPARED WITH 246,000 MEN. IN THIS CATEGORY, WOMEN OVERTOOK MEN LAST YEAR, THE MINISTRY SAID.

ABOUT 88 PERCENT OF THE 193,382 FEMALE JUNIOR COLLEGE GRADUATES WERE EMPLOYED THIS SPRING, ALSO A RECORD, IT SAID.

MASTER'S COURSE GRADUATES THIS YEAR TOTALED 25,804, WHILE 5,812 PEOPLE FINISHED DOCTORAL COURSES, THE MINISTRY SAID.

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TOKYO (NOV. 5) KYODO - MORE THAN 20 PERCENT OF THE 114 SECURITIES FIRMS BELONGING TO THE TOKYO STOCK EXCHANGE (TSE) POSTED PRETAX LOSSES FOR THE FIRST

HALF OF FISCAL 1990, WHICH ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, REFLECTING A SERIES OF PLUNGES ON THE MARKET, TSE OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

AMONG THE 27 COMPANIES IN THE RED WERE YAMATANE SECURITIES CO. DAI-ICHI SECURITIES CO., AND 12 OTHER MEDIUM-SCALE JAPANESE BROKERAGE HOUSES, AS WELL AS 13 OF THE 22 FOREIGN SECURITIES FIRMS WHICH HAVE TSE MEMBERSHIP.

THE COMBINED PRETAX PROFITS OF THE 114 BROKERAGE FIRMS DROPPED 65.5 PERCENT, COMPARED WITH THE SAME SIX MONTHS A YEAR EARLIER.

THEIR STOCK-BROKERAGING COMMISSIONS, A MAJOR SOURCE OF PROFITS, FELL 22 PERCENT FROM THE YEAR-EARLIER PERIOD.

ANOTHER MAJOR FACTOR WAS COMBINED LOSSES TOTALING 96.1 BILLION YEN IN STOCK AND BOND TRADING FOR THEIR OWN ACCOUNTS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

JAPAN'S BIG FOUR SECURITIES FIRMS, WHILE STILL IN THE BLACK, EARLIER REPORTED A PLUNGE IN THEIR EARNINGS IN THE APRIL-SEPTEMBER PERIOD, HIT HARD BY HIGHER INTEREST RATES AND CONTINUED SLUGGISHNESS IN STOCK TRANSACTIONS.

DURING THE LATEST REPORTING PERIOD, NOMURA SECURITIES CO., DAIWA SECURITIES CO., NIKKO SECURITIES CO., AND YAMAICHI SECURITIES CO. REPORTED DECLINES OF BETWEEN 55.1 PERCENT AND 74.2 PERCENT IN THEIR PRETAX PROFITS COMPARED WITH THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

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TOKYO (NOV. 5) KYODO - THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) IS PLANNING TO ELIMINATE MERCURY, AN ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARD, FROM DRY CELL BATTERIES, A MITI SOURCE SAID MONDAY.

THE MINISTRY IS AIMING TO ABOLISH THE USE OF MERCURY IN MANGANESE BATTERIES SOMETIME IN FISCAL 1991, BEGINNING APRIL 1, 1991, AND IN ALKALINE BATTERIES SOON AFTER FISCAL 1992, HE SAID.

SOME 2.1 BILLION BATTERIES OF 4 BILLION ONES, BEING PRODUCED ANNUALLY IN JAPAN ARE DESTINED FOR THE HOME MARKET. ABOUT 72 PERCENT OF THE DOMESTIC SHIPMENTS ARE OF THE MANGANESE VARIETY, WHILE ALKALINE BATTERIES MAKE UP 16 PERCENT.

UNDER GUIDELINES TO BE COMPILED BY A MITI ADVISORY PANEL LATER THIS MONTH, JAPANESE MANUFACTURERS WILL BE FORBIDDEN IN FISCAL 1991 TO USE MERCURY IN MANGANESE DRY CELL BATTERIES. THE MERCURY CONTENT OF MANGANESE DRY CELL BATTERIES IS CURRENTLY 0.002 PERCENT.

MANUFACTURERS WILL BE FORCED TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF MERCURY IN THEIR ALKALINE DRY CELL BATTERIES TO 0.025 PERCENT IN FISCAL 1991 FROM THE CURRENT 0.1 PERCENT.

THE NEW GUIDELINES WILL BE STRICTER THAN THOSE OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC), CURRENTLY THE WORLD'S MOST STRINGENT. THE MERCURY CONTENT OF BATTERIES PRODUCED IN THE EC IS NOT ALLOWED TO SURPASS 0.1 PERCENT, AND THIS WILL BE LOWERED TO 0.025 PERCENT IN 1992.

MERCURY IS USED TO PREVENT CORROSION. DOMESTIC AND OVERSEAS MANUFACTURERS HAVE BEEN WORKING TO DEVELOP ANTICORROSIVE ALTERNATIVES.

THE MOVE BY MITI WAS PROMPTED BY THE LAUNCH LAST YEAR BY A FEW FIRMS OF PRODUCTION OF DRY CELL BATTERIES THAT DO NOT CONTAIN MERCURY.

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#90309k0074 11/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 5) KYODO - WORLD CRUDE OIL DEMAND IN THE OCTOBER-DECEMBER QUARTER WILL AMOUNT TO 54.1 MILLION BARRELS A DAY (B/D), SLIGHTLY DOWN FROM 54.4 MILLION B/D IN THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1989, THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY (IEA) PREDICTED IN A REPORT RELEASED IN TOKYO ON MONDAY.

THIRD QUARTER DEMAND WAS 53.1 MILLION B/D, UP FROM 51.2 MILLION B/D IN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, IEA SAID.

THE FOURTH QUARTER YEAR-ON-YEAR SLOWDOWN IN CRUDE OIL CONSUMPTION IS ''A RESULT OF LOWER ECONOMIC GROWTH AND HIGHER OIL PRICES,'' SAID THE 21-NATION ENERGY MONITORING AGENCY.

FOR ALL OF 1990, THE AGENCY PREDICTS AN AVERAGE CONSUMPTION OF 53.1 MILLION B/D, UP FROM 52.3 MILLION B/D IN 1989.

OIL DEMAND WILL CONTINUE TO BE SOFT IN 1991, POSTING YEAR-ON-YEAR DECLINES IN THE FIRST THREE QUARTERS, IT SAID.

THE WORLD'S CRUDE OIL SUPPLY IN OCTOBER AMOUNTED TO 53.4 MILLION B/D, UP 600,000 MILLION B/D FROM SEPTEMBER.

THE INCREASE WAS DUE PRIMARILY TO PRODUCTION BOOSTS BY NON-OPEC COUNTRIES.

PRODUCTION IN THE NORTH SEA, FOR EXAMPLE, HIT 4 MILLION B/D FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE APRIL 1988.

OCTOBER OIL PRODUCTION BY OPEC COUNTRIES TOTALED 22.6 MILLION B/D, WITH SAUDI ARABIA PUMPING OUT 7.6 MILLION B/D, ITS HIGHEST LEVEL IN EIGHT YEARS.

CRUDE OIL PRICES AT THE END OF OCTOBER WERE DOWN SHARPLY FROM A MONTH EARLIER.

THE PRICE OF BENCHMARK WEST TEXAS INTERMEDIATE AT THE END OF OCTOBER WAS 3.4 DOLLARS LOWER THAN THAT AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER, THE REPORT SAID.

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#90309k0076 11/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
HONG KONG (NOV. 5) KYODO - CHINA'S TRADE WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE MAY PLUNGE ONCE IT IS FORCED TO BEGIN SETTLING TRADE ACCOUNTS IN HARD CURRENCY NEXT YEAR RATHER THAN IN BARTER ARRANGEMENTS, A HONG KONG DAILY SAID MONDAY.

MOSCOW'S SHIFT TO HARD CURRENCY IN TRADE IS PART OF A SWEEPING ECONOMIC REFORM PLAN DESIGNED TO INTEGRATE THE SOVIET UNION WITH THE GLOBAL MARKET ECONOMY.

THE DAILY WEN WEI PO, QUOTING A REPORT FROM GUANGZHOU, SAID THE END OF BARTER TRADE IS LIKELY TO BRING ABOUT CLOSED FACTORIES AND HIGH UNEMPLOYMENT IN CHINA.

ACCORDING TO ONE ESTIMATE, 1,000 TO 2,000 CHINESE LIGHT MANUFACTURING FIRMS WITH SOME 200,000 WORKERS ARE NOW INVOLVED IN BARTER TRADE WITH THE SOVIETS AND EASTERN EUROPE.

CHINA'S TRADE WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND EAST EUROPE HIT A RECORD 7.4 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS LAST YEAR. THIS INCLUDED 3.6 BILLION DOLLARS IN TRADE WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

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#90309k0080 11/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
SINGAPORE (NOV. 5) KYODO - SINGAPORE, WHICH ESTABLISHED FORMAL DIPLOMATIC TIES WITH BEIJING IN OCTOBER, WANTS TO BOOST TRADE AND INVESTMENT WITH CHINA, BUT MANY LOCAL BUSINESS EXECUTIVES ARE HESITANT.

ASIDE FROM WORRIES ABOUT INFLATION, CORRUPTION, AND THE LACK OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE IN CHINA, MANY SINGAPORE BUSINESS PEOPLE HAVE YET TO REGAIN THE CONFIDENCE IN THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT THEY LOST WHEN TANKS ROLLED OVER PRO-DEMOCRACY DEMONSTRATORS IN TIANANMEN SQUARE IN JUNE LAST YEAR.

A 32-COMPANY MISSION TO CHINA RETURNED IN OCTOBER IN A MOOD OF "CAUTIOUS OPTIMISM," TRADE DEVELOPMENT BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN YEO SAID.

THE 10-DAY MISSION TO SHANGHAI AND FUJIAN WAS THE BIGGEST THE BOARD HAD EVER ORGANIZED TO CHINA.

DETERMINED TO EXPLORE CHINA'S VAST MARKET, THE BOARD WILL SEND ANOTHER TRADE MISSION IN MARCH -- THIS TIME TO HAINAN PROVINCE.

THE OCTOBER MISSION RESULTED IN FIVE COMPANIES SIGNING LETTERS OF INTENT TO INVEST MORE THAN 90 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS (53 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN JOINT-VENTURE PROJECTS IN CHINA, THE BOARD SAID.

MEANWHILE, ANOTHER 12 COMPANIES ARE ENTERING SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS TO TRADE COMMODITIES, MACHINERY, ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS, AND CONSUMER PRODUCTS WITH THEIR CHINESE COUNTERPARTS.

BUT THE MISSION WAS NOT PLEASED WITH EVERYTHING IT SAW. THE BOARD SAID IT FOUND THAT SHANGHAI'S ECONOMY, FOR EXAMPLE, "HAS YET TO REACH THE VIBRANCE IT DISPLAYED PRIOR TO JUNE LAST YEAR."

SINGAPORE WAS CHINA'S IMPORTANT TRADING PARTNER EVEN BEFORE THEY ESTABLISHED TIES OCTOBER 3, AND HAS BEEN SENDING ONE OR TWO MISSIONS THERE EVERY YEAR SINCE 1985.

THE BUSINESS TIMES RECENTLY QUOTED LI LANQING, VICE MINISTER OF CHINA'S MINISTRY OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS AND TRADE, AS SAYING THAT THE CHINESE ARE PREPARED TO SET UP A JOINT COMMITTEE WITH THE SINGAPORE GOVERNMENT TO PROMOTE TRADE AND INVESTMENT.

CHINA IS ALSO KEEN TO TEAM UP WITH SINGAPORE FOR THIRD COUNTRY INVESTMENTS, THE REPORT SAID.

IN A SIGN THAT THE IMPACT OF THE TIANANMEN INCIDENT MAY BE STARTING TO WEAR OFF, EIGHT OUT OF 10 MAJOR SINGAPORE COMPANIES RATED CHINA'S BUSINESS CLIMATE FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS AS "MODERATE TO GOOD" IN AN AUGUST SURVEY BY THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT BOARD.

AND ONLY 40 PERCENT OF THE RESPONDENTS TOLD THE BOARD IN ANOTHER AUGUST SURVEY THAT THEY WOULD NOT MAKE NEW INVESTMENTS IN CHINA, COMPARED WITH 64 PERCENT LAST YEAR.

THE BOARD SINGLED OUT SHANGHAI'S PUDONG NEW AREA AS THE REGION WHICH APPEALED MOST TO DELEGATES ON THE OCTOBER MISSION.

BUT THEIR ENTHUSIASM WAS TEMPERED BY THE INABILITY OF CHINESE AUTHORITIES TO ANSWER THEIR QUESTIONS ON LAND LEASES, WAGES, RELOCATION OF CURRENT PUDONG RESIDENTS, AND RESTRICTIONS ON THE PERCENTAGE OF PRODUCTION THAT CAN BE SOLD IN CHINA.

THE DELEGATES ALSO COMPLAINED THAT THE REGULATIONS ON PUDONG PUBLISHED IN SEPTEMBER LACK SPECIFICS, THE BOARD SAID.

SINGAPORE IS CHINA'S SIXTH LARGEST TRADING PARTNER, WITH BILATERAL TRADE AMOUNTING TO 5.6 BILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS (3.3 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) LAST YEAR.

IT WAS THE FOURTH BIGGEST INVESTOR IN CHINA LAST YEAR, WITH A CONTRACTUAL VALUE OF 893 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS, COMPRISED MOSTLY OF SMALL- AND MEDIUM-SIZED PROJECTS. BUT TAIWAN OVERTOOK SINGAPORE IN THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THIS YEAR FOR THE NO. 4 SPOT.

IT'S HARD TO SAY WHETHER THE BLOODY TIANANMEN CRACKDOWN OR THE AUSTERITY POLICY CHINA HAS ADOPTED SINCE THEN IS MORE TO BLAME, BUT THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT TRADE IS CONTINUING TO DROP.

BILATERAL TRADE PLUNGED 60 PERCENT ON A YEAR-TO-YEAR BASIS IN AUGUST, THE LATEST MONTH FOR WHICH FIGURES ARE AVAILABLE, TO 69 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS.

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#90309k0083 11/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

DHAKA (NOV. 5) KYODO - SEVERAL HUNDRED PEOPLE RALLIED MONDAY TO DEMAND THE RESIGNATION OF PRESIDENT HOSSAIN MOHAMMAD ERSHAD AND FRESH ELECTIONS UNDER A CARETAKER GOVERNMENT.

THE RALLY, HELD IN FRONT OF THE STATE-RUN TELEVISION AND RADIO STATIONS IN THIS CITY OF SIX MILLION PEOPLE, WAS PART OF A CAMPAIGN OF PROTEST DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST ERSHAD AND HIS POLICIES.

THE GOVERNMENT HAS CONDUCTED A ONE-SIDED PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN IN FAVOR OF ERSHAD IN AN ATTEMPT TO HIDE THE TRUTH AND THE ACTIVITIES OF OPPOSITION PARTIES FROM THE BANGLADESHI PEOPLE, THE DEMONSTRATORS SAID.

OPPOSITION PARTIES ARE SCHEDULED TO STAGE A SIT-IN DEMONSTRATION NOVEMBER 10 TO DEMAND ERSHAD RESIGN, PARTY OFFICIALS SAID.

MEANWHILE, THE STATE-RUN RADIO SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAS RELAXED THE CURFEW IT IMPOSED IN DHAKA ON NOVEMBER 1 AFTER MOSLEMS, ANGERED BY ATTEMPTS TO DEMOLISH A MOSQUE IN AYODHYA IN NORTHERN INDIA, ATTACKED HINDU TEMPLES ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

AT LEAST FOUR PEOPLE WERE KILLED AND SEVERAL DOZENS OF PEOPLE INJURED IN THE DISTURBANCES. HINDU TEMPLES AND HOUSES WERE ALSO DAMAGED.

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#90309k0086 11/05/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 5) KYODO - MITSUI MINING AND SMELTING CO. HAS DEVELOPED AN EXPERIMENTAL SUPERCONDUCTOR POWER LEAD THAT IS CAPABLE OF CARRYING 1,000 AMPHERES OF ELECTRICITY, THE FIRM ANNOUNCED MONDAY.

THIS TECHNOLOGICAL BREAKTHROUGH WOULD RESULT IN PUTTING POWER LEADS OF HIGH-TEMPERATURE OXIDE SUPERCONDUCTING ROD INTO PRACTICAL USE MUCH EARLIER THAN EXPECTED, IT SAID.

THE COMPANY SAID IT USED AN OXIDE SUPERCONDUCTING ROD INCORPORATING BISMUTH TO TRANSMIT THE ELECTRICITY AT A TEMPERATURE OF 269 C BELOW ZERO.

A POWER LEAD IS A CONDUCTOR TO SUPPLY ELECTRICITY TO A SUPERCONDUCTING COIL WHICH COMES IN TWO TYPES -- NIOBIUM OR TITANIUM.

UNTIL NOW, COPPER WIRE HAS BEEN USED AS THE POWER LEAD. HOWEVER, SINCE COPPER IS HIGHLY HEAT-CONDUCTIVE, A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF EXPENSIVE LIQUID HELIUM HAS BEEN USED AS A COOLING AGENT TO KEEP THE SUPERCONDUCTING COIL OPERATING.

KAZUTOMO HOSHINO, WHO HEADS THE RESEARCH TEAM, SAID THE PROBLEM HAS BEEN SOLVED BY REPLACING COPPER WIRE WITH AN OXIDE SUPERCONDUCTING ROD AS THE POWER LEAD AND WINDING SILVER FOIL ROUND THE ROD.

HE SAID HIS TEAM EARLIER SUCCEEDED IN PASSING 500 AMPERES OF ELECTRICITY THROUGH THE POWER LEAD OF AN OXIDE SUPERCONDUCTING ROD AT A TEMPERATURE OF 196 DEGREES C BELOW ZERO.

THE RESEARCHER SAID THE TEAM WOULD NOW WORK TO PASS AT LEAST 1,000 AMPERES OF ELECTRICITY THROUGH THE POWER LEAD AT THE TEMPERATURE OF 196 C BELOW ZERO.

WHEN THE NEW POWER LEAD COMES INTO USE, IT IS EXPECTED TO CUT DOWN ON THE USE OF EXPENSIVE HELIUM AND REDUCE THE POWER TO OPERATE REFRIGERATORS, HOSHINO SAID.

THE ACHIEVEMENT WILL BE REPORTED AT THE THIRD INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON SUPERCONDUCTIVITY WHICH BEGINS TUESDAY IN SENDAI, A MAJOR CITY IN NORTHEASTERN JAPAN.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) KYODO - COMMERCE SECRETARY ROBERT MOSBACHER CALLED ON AMERICA'S SMALL- AND MEDIUM-SIZED COMPANIES MONDAY TO STEP UP EXPORTS TO AVERT A RECESSION IN THE UNITED STATES.

''SMALL- AND MIDDLE-SIZED COMPANIES IN THIS COUNTRY HAVE TO EXPORT MORE,'' HE SAID IN AN INTERVIEW WITH CBS NEWS. ''COMPARED TO ALL OUR TRADING PARTNERS, WE EXPORT LESS THAN HALF OF WHAT THEY DO AS A PERCENTAGE OF THEIR GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT.''

BY BUILDING EXPORTS, MOSBACHER PREDICTED, ''WE'RE GOING TO SEE THE LENDING RATES COMING DOWN.''

DESPITE GROWING SIGNS OF AN APPROACHING RECESSION, THE COMMERCE SECRETARY INSISTED THAT THE U.S. IS NOT IN A RECESSION.

''BUT THE MORE DOOM-AND-GLOOM WE TALK, THE MORE WE'RE LIABLE TO HAVE IT HAPPEN '' MOSBACHER SAID, ADDING THE END OF THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS WILL SPARK ''A LOT OF PENT-UP DEMAND.''

HE DID NOT SAY WHEN THE CRISIS WILL END.

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#90309m0001 11/05/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys
FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 5) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

flat this morning. ... The long bond is yielding 8.68% and the dollar is mixed. ... Crude oil is lower, with Brent North Sea off $1.63 to $31.92. ... CHRYSLER and FIAT say they have broken off talks about a possible alliance. ... ELECTRONIC DATA SYSTEMS will not buy CONTINENTAL AIRLINES' computer reservation system after all, the two companies say. ... "USA Today" says it has learned that CARL ICHAN is seriously weighing a bid of between $2 billion and $2.5 billion for USX CORP.'s steel unit.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

Automakers report October sales today and the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS issues existing home sales figures for the third quarter. ... The LABOR DEPARTMENT issues preliminary third-quarter production and cost figures on Tuesday. ... On Wednesday, the COMMERCE DEPARTMENT issues the September wholesale trade report and the FEDERAL RESERVE reports on September consumer credit. ... On Thursday, large companies announce October retail sales results and the LABOR DEPARTMENT issues initial unemployment claims figures for the week. LABOR.

FROM THE BULLS:

"The stock market has started to react better to bad news," says RAJIV SHARMA, a money manager at SERCO INVESTMENTS in Larkspur, Calif. "I'm looking for a rebound [on the Dow] to about 2650." His $22 million fund is about 7% ahead for the year and he moved from 50% cash to 85% stocks last week. (WSJ, 11/5)

"There's a very high probability that we've already made our bottom and are making our way back up again," says DAVID ELIAS, president of ELIAS ASSET MANAGEMENT. He says the only "wild-card" is the Middle East, but he also says that if there is a shooting war, and it is "relatively short-lived, the market will go up two or three hundred points on that news." He predicts the Dow will hit 3000 before November 1992.("Nightly Business Report", 11/2)

"I'm fairly optimistic here," says FRANK GRETZ at SHIELDS & CO. "I think the market has made a bottom and we're heading higher." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/2)

"I think the market is making a very important bottom here," says RICHARD EAKLE, president of EAKLE & ASSOCIATES. He bases that assessment on looking at

utility stocks, which he notes have been holding their own since August. He says that, historically, utility bottoms usually precede a broader market bottom by two or three months. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/2)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I think we're in a rally in a bear market," says ROBERT STOVALL, president of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. "I think it might take several months before we start to see a really definite change in direction." ("Wall Street Week", 11/2)

STOCK MARKET:

"The fact that the financial stocks are doing so well is very important for the rest of the market," says EUGENE PERONI at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT. "We may be seeing a cyclical bottom for the market as well. The market strength here is encouraging. We're getting a glimpse of renewed interest and bottom-fishing in the financials. Some battered bank stocks are attracting significant buying interest." Peroni says interest rates will be an increasingly important factor in fairly valuing stocks. In his "Peroni Report" this morning on "CNBC" he sees formidable trendline resistance at 2510 near-term, and says it is important technically that the Dow hold above 2365. Peroni says the Dow is apt to produce "expansive swings" within its trading range. ("Investor's Daily" and CNBC "World Business", 11/5)

"For the first time in many weeks, we've been hearing fund managers complain that they can't buy the stocks they want - the shares just haven't been for sale," says JIM CREBER at MILLER TABAK & HIRSH. Noting the surge in banks stocks Friday, PHILIP ROTH at DEAN WITTER observes that "after a general market decline, improvement in the interest-rate-sensitive areas is usually very important as a precursor to a rebuilding process." ("The Washington Post", 11/3)

"It's a delicate rally [we're in now]," says PHILIP RETTEW at MERRILL LYNCH. "It's possible to chase it and get some results, but I'd try not to make a habit out of that. Basically, if you didn't buy in the August- September low areas, I think you are chasing a little bit." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/2)

"If we can get past 2500, and we're so close right now, it probably stands to reason that we're going to have a rally through the end of the year that could take us up 5 to 7 percent," says MITCHELL MEISLER of LEHMAN BROTHERS. Meisler is looking for a "choppy, volatile market" but says "volatile markets at these levels could give you buying opportunities." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/2)

ARTHUR MICHELETTI, director of U.S. research at BAILARD BIEHL & KAISER, expects stock prices to rise for awhile, but does not think the gains will hold. "Stock investors get impatient," he says. "It takes months before you see improvement and when investors don't see the economy recovering and

profits rising right away, you get capitulation, with people saying, 'Oh my God, it's worse than I thought.'" He thinks the resulting sell-off probably will send the Dow down to around 2100. (WSJ, 11/5)

"Considering that we are in an economy now that had below average GNP growth for six consecutive quarters, companies have done a good job of keeping their bottom lines intact," says RICHARD PUCCI of IBES. But DAVID BLITZER of STANDARD & POOR'S says "Overall, we're going to see further decline" in earnings. He says problems in the auto industry will "drive the most of the overall statistics." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/2)

The Nikkei is in a real bear market and will continue lower, regardless of what happens to Japanese interest rates, says ROBERT ZIELINSKI, senior analyst for JARDINE SECURITIES. He looks for the Japanese stock market to decline an additional 25%-30% before the bottom, probably sometime next summer. Zielinski thinks Japanese stocks would have to decline a full 50% before the action would have a negative spillover effect on the U.S. market. (CNN "Business Morning", 11/5)

STOCK TIPS:

Buy ORION, suggest the editors at "BI Research." They like the company's distribution rights for "Dances With Wolves," calling it a big picture which should move the stock. They say TYCO's price decline is "ludicrous" and creates a great buying opportunity. Another recommendation is PHOTRONICS. They say the stock price has bottomed there and order rates are holding up fine. (CNBC "World Business", 11/5)

ART SAMBERG has managed a 2% gain for his DAWSON-SAMBERG money management firm so far this year after a resounding 75% gain in last year's market. The stock picker's current favorites are STRATUS COMPUTER, BORLAND INTERNATIONAL, COREL SYSTEMS, EMC CORP. and HUNTER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES. His top "shorts" are LANDMARK GRAPHICS and MICROGRAFX. ("Barron's", 11/5)

"I'm recommending stocks like BANK AMERICA, which has a pretty clean balance sheet," says RICHARD EAKLE, president of EAKLE & ASSOCIATES. "They don't have much real estate exposure." He also likes J.P. MORGAN, although it might have a little setback in price. "Another I find intriguing is NDB" of Detroit. "My favorite interest-sensitive play here is FANNIE MAE," he says. He says the most attractive stocks that would play off a revival of consumer spending in the retail are would be BLOCKBUSTER, LIMITED, WAL-MART, WALGREEN, WOOLWORTH and MERRY-GO-ROUND. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/2)

EDDIE BROWN says it is time to start shopping for what he calls "a salvage and recovery portfolio - some stocks that have just been beaten unmercifully, companies that will still be on business and that you can put on the side of a year or a year and a half." He mentions battered S&L and bank stocks. GOLDEN WEST and GREAT WESTERN FINANCIAL are two he mentions. ("Wall Street Week",

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 5) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

The United States risks a widespread credit crunch unless Congress modernizes the banking system soon, says CHASE MANHATTAN CHAIRMAN THOMAS LABRECQUE in an interview with "USA Today." "If the pressure against allowing banks to earn a fair return and increase their capital continues, then we'll have a [lending] contraction - and that will mean less financing for the economy," he says. ("USA Today", 11/5)

"I thought the [employment] number was extremely weak and should in fact cause the FED to ease in here," says STEVEN SILFER at LEHMAN BROTHERS. "The Fed is still holding back on account of the weak dollar and the massive Treasury borrowings that are going to come to market in the next few weeks," says DENISE PETSIS at ARGUS RESEARCH. "I think once the Treasury refinancings are met, the Fed may come through with some easing, but most of the easing moves will be incremental." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/2)

"There comes a point where economic weakness becomes broad enough and financial difficulties distressing enough where monetary policy has to become more stimulative," says RICHARD KELLY, president of AUBREY G. LANSTON & CO. "In my view, we are at that point." EDWARD YARDENI, chief economist at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE says that "if the Fed wants to make this a short recession, then they will have to lower interest rates dramatically." (NYT, 11/5)

"The FED is not going to be fooled by the unemployment rate," says LYLE GRAMLEY, a former Fed governor who is not chief economist at the MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION. Noting "spreading weakness" in the underlying numbers in Friday's report, Gramley says, "I don't think there's any doubt anymore that we're sliding into a recession." DAVID BOSTIAN, chief economist at JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL, says, "It still has the potential to be a mild recession if the Fed keeps easing. I hope the Fed looks beyond the [unemployment] rate and isn't stubborn." ROBERT McGEE, chief U.S. economist at TOKAI BANK LTD. says the jobs report "hides the degree of spreading weakness in the economy" and thus "minimizes the political pressure for the FEDERAL RESERVE to ease right away." ("Investor's Daily", 11/5)

Friday's weak economic numbers mean that "the Fed will be concerned about the economy, and will pump further liquidity into the economy, which will ease rates," according to MITCHELL MEISLER of LEHMAN BROTHERS. He is looking for a

Fed funds rate of 7 1/2%. (FNN 5 "Marketwrap", 11/2)

"I think we'll see a year from now interest rates 100 basis points lower, certainly at least 50 basis points," says RICHARD JENRETTE, chairman and CEO of THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE CO. ("Wall Street Week", 11/2)

"I'm very bullish on bonds," says CARTER RANDALL. "Interest rates are going to go down a lot more than anybody thinks, the Fed is easing, inflation is going to be coming down and so, too, can interest rates and that could really restimulate the economy. There's a half- trillion dollars in money market funds which will flee to the longer markets when the rate of return on those short-term goes down. I'm talking about government, corporate of tax-exempt bonds for most investors." ("Wall Street Week", 11/2)

"A setback that would take yields higher than 9% seems increasingly unlikely, absent a Mideast war," says RICHARD BERNER, economist at SALOMON BROTHERS. "We may see yields [on the 30-year bond] rise to 8.75% or maybe even 8.875%, but no higher," says JAMES CAPRA at LEHMAN BROTHERS. (WSJ, 11/5)

"The Treasury has indicated there is plenty of interest" in this week's bond auction, says RAO CHALASANI at PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. ("USA Today", 11/5)

THE ECONOMY:

"Even though this [Friday] unemployment number is better than I thought it would be, we are on the verge of a very sharp rise in unemployment and a very sharp decline in the number of people working," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "In the private sector these are the worst numbers we've had since 1983." He notes that the Friday numbers were moderated by a rise in government employment, a development he finds "a little bit irritating." He says the past three weeks has shown a "very sharp decline" toward recession. "We are dropping now. The negative numbers are really going to start coming in big." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/2)

"This [employment report] is strong evidence that the economy really has lost its footing now and slipped into recession," says ROBERT DEDERICK at NORTHERN TRUST CO. in Chicago. ("USA Today", 11/5)

"We've now had two sharp declines [in the leading economic indicators index] in a row, and the third number back was a flat number," says ALAN LERNER of BANKERS TRUST. "If you believe in the leading indicator series, you would think that that is giving us a fairly clear indication of a weakening economy and a recession." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/2)

"I think it's about time to start thinking about the unthinkable: That is the possibility that we may not have a recession," says EDDIE BROWN. "After the crash in 1987 almost everybody predicted a recession was on its way and it never happened. I think perhaps this time we might end up with a mild

recession, but if we get a few things breaking right, we might get this economy back on track." Declining world interest rates would be one key to that, he says. ("Wall Street Week", 11/2)

The economy is starting to turn up, but only very slowly, says MONTE GORDON, director of research for DREYFUS. "It's like watching an oceanliner five miles from shore," says Gordon. His optimism is tempered. He says the failure of Fed efforts to push the funds rate from 7 15/16 to 7 3/4 shows there still a great deal of nervousness around: "The Fed tries to make the money available, people don't want to borrow it ... that is a discouraging sign." Weakness in the banking industry will keep the economy sluggish into the second quarter of 1991. "[Banks] are probably not in as bad shape as some of the reports in the media but ... it's a negative of some dimension." (CNBC "World Business", 11/5)

"We've got a few businesses that are having real problems, but we also have a lot of businesses, from whom you don't hear, that are doing fine," says SECRETARY OF COMMERCE ROBERT MOSBACHER. He says the economy, while slow in some spots, is not in a recession. Mosbacher is looking for three factors to help rev up economic performance: the budget agreement and the accompanying spending cuts; a trend towards lower interest rates; and the increase in exports. "No one ever talks about [the sectors of the economy] that are going up ... we keep repeating the ones that are going down." (CNN "Moneyline", 11/2)

"Business firms are approaching new hirings in a very, very cautious fashion," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. He sees that as a sign of weakness in the economy. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/2)

"The United States economy is headed for a recession, if it's not already begun," says ROBERT MARKS at SIFF, OAKLEY & MARKS. "That prospect is inevitable." (NYT, 11/3)

"The economy is not falling over a cliff, it's just sliding down the slope," says ROBERT DEDRICK, chief economist at NORTHERN TRUST CO. in Chicago. "The economy is already so sluggish that growth will turn negative soon," says WILLIAM MacREYNOLDS, director of forecasting for the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. He says there is no evidence to support the contention of some forecasters "that there will be a fairly nice rebound in the last part of the [1991] year." He says there will be even less chance of a 1991 recovery "with taxes going higher." ("Investor's Daily", 11/5)

JAMES BENHAM, chairman of BENHAM CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, is pessimistic about the world economy. He says huge private and public debt will make a recession now being entered unlike any preceding it. He gives 4-to-1 odds that there will be a worldwide depression. "After every long party, there's always a hangover " he says. (NYT, 11/4)

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OREM, UTAH (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Wicat Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: WCAT), announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Wicat Systems Ltd., based in the United Kingdom, has been selected by Iberia Airlines to provide a major upgrade and expansion of their existing computer-based training (CBT) system.

The agreement, valued at $400,000, includes 10 WITS 4000 workstations, a substantial spare parts inventory, and a Wicat System 2255 file server. In addition, Iberia signed a facilities management contract which provides a full-time Wicat employee on-site at Iberia's Flight Crew Training Center in Madrid, Spain.

Iberia officials stated that computer-based training has been successfully integrated into the Iberia Flight Crew Training Center. The center currently provides computer-based training for the McDonnell-Douglas MD-80, the Boeing 747-200, and the Airbus A320 aircraft. In the near future, Iberia plans to add Boeing 757 courseware to support their recently ordered B757 aircraft.

Iberia officials also noted that Wicat's ability to provide a powerful training environment and high-quality courseware has enabled Iberia to manage the transition from traditional classroom, tape, and slide training to their current highly interactive, individualized training.

Wicat Systems, is a world leader in technology-based training and education solutions, providing products and services to help clients achieve 30 to 50 percent learning improvement in schools, industry, and government. Wicat's stock is traded in the NASDAQ market under the symbol WCAT.

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PISCATAWAY, N.J. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T will sponsor a nationwide interactive video teleconference, "Enhancing Software Quality and Productivity: An Industry Perspective" on Wednesday, Nov. 28.

"Software is the solution," said Lawrence Bernstein, vice president, operations systems, AT&T Network Systems and executive director, AT&T Bell Laboratories. "Unfortunately, it's also often the problem.

"This conference contains 'best current practices' in software quality, products, measurement and technology. It is part of a continuing AT&T effort to improve its own software by moving its development from art to engineering. We also wish to provide a framework for software quality-improvement efforts throughout the world."

The teleconference, which is open to the public, is designed for system or software development professionals, who will have the opportunity to phone in or fax questions to speakers in New Jersey.

Featured speakers will be three internationally recognized authorities on quality: Capers Jones, Tom DeMarco and John Musa.

Jones is chairman and co-founder of Software Productivity Research, Inc. in Burlington, Mass. He is an international private consultant, speaker, seminar leader, and author of "Programming and Productivity: Issues for the Eighties."

DeMarco is a principal of the Atlantic Systems Guild, a New York and London-based consulting firm. He is co-author with Tim Lister of a new book, "Peopleware: Productive Products and Teams." DeMarco won the 1986 Jean-Dominique Warnier for lifetime contribution to the field of information science.

Musa is supervisor of software quality at AT&T Bell Laboratories in Whippany, N.J. He is co-author with Anthony Iannino and Kazuhira Okumoto of "Software Reliability." Involved in the field of software reliability since 1973, he has published more than 40 papers.

Registration may be done electronically by calling 1-800-TRAINER, selecting 2, and asking for extension 54. The registration fee is $250 per attendee.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - MASS Microsystems Inc. (NASDAQ: MMIC) today announced that it has adopted a plan to repurchase up to 240,000 shares of its common stock. The repurchase plan would be made through open market purchases and, if completed, will reduce the number of outstanding shares of the company's common stock by 5 percent. The repurchased shares will be held as treasury stock.

Carl Pompei, chairman of MASS Microsystems, commented, "The board of directors is highly confident about the company's long-term growth prospects. In the current marketplace, we believe that our stock is undervalued, therefore, we have authorized this repurchase plan."

Through the first nine months of 1990, MASS Microsystems reported record revenues totaling $16,346,000, on net income of $462,000, or 9 cents per share.

MASS Microsystems is a multimedia driven, peripheral enhancement company operating worldwide. The company manufactures the award-winning ColorSpace

line of videographic products and the DataPak line of 45mb removable cartridge storage systems for the Apple Macintosh family of personal computers.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Wahlco Environmental Systems Inc. (NYSE: WAL) today reported results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter were $13.7 million compared to $10.9 million for the third quarter of 1989. Net income was $2.6 million, or 15 cents per share versus $3 million, or 21 cents per share, for the comparable 1989 quarter. Average common shares outstanding increased by 3.4 million to 17.6 million.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenue was $40 million as compared with $24.9 million for the initial nine months of 1989. Net income was $7.2 million, or 45 cents per share, versus $6.5 million, or 46 cents per share for the comparable 1989 period. Average common shares outstanding increased by 1.9 million shares to 16.1 million.

Third quarter and nine month net income in 1990 benefited from reductions in taxes of approximately $640,000 and $880,000, respectively, reflecting adjustments in Puerto Rican tollgate and federal tax liabilities.

"Our core business, flue gas conditioning (FGC), is driven by Clean Air legislation and has experienced a decline in revenue and orders from the second quarter 1990 and the comparable third quarter of 1989 due primarily to the delay in passage of the amendments to the clean Air Act," stated Henry Huta, president and chief executive officer. "Now that the amendments have been approved by the House and Senate and are expected to be signed by the president, we expect to see increased FGC bookings numbers beginning in 1991."

Huta noted that the company is particularly encouraged by Bachmann's improvement in gross margin and backlog position. Bachmann's backlog has increased over 70 percent since its acquisition in March 1990. As a result of this growth, the company undertook a significant plant expansion at the Bachmann facility in Lewiston, Maine. Consequently, shipments were disrupted during the third quarter, keeping shipments flat with the second quarter.

Wahlco Environmental Systems Inc. is a manufacturer of equipment used primarily by electric utilities to assist in the reduction and control of air pollution. In addition, the company designs, manufactures and installs products that enhance the efficiency of industrial and utility boilers, and also manufactures water pollution and control devices.

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#90309p3194 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Comarco, Inc. (NASDAQ: CMRO) today reported that net income rose 53 percent during the third quarter of fiscal 1991, compared to 1990. For the period ended Oct. 21, 1990, Comarco generated net income of $458,000, or $0.10 per share on revenues of $16,447,000. During the same period one year ago, the company reported net income of $299,000, or $0.06 per share on revenues of $18,527,000.

For the first three quarters ended Oct. 21, 1990, net income increased 16 percent to $1,189,000, or $0.26 per share versus net income of $1,026,000, or $0.22 per share for the prior year. Revenues for the period were $53,497,000. Cash flow from operations for the first three quarters was $1.07 per share.

"Our strong cash flow and improved operating margins were major contributors to our significant profit gains for the period. Our bank debt has been reduced to zero. Our only remaining debt is $4.8 million of subordinated convertible debentures due in April 2001. As a result, our financial position has been substantially strengthened," stated Don Bailey, president of Comarco. He added that revenues are down on a year-to-year comparison basis because of decreases in subcontracting and reductions in the purchase of materials by several of Comarco's customers. However, revenues have stabilized recently.

Looking forward, Bailey stated that the company's strong backlog position, excellent new business opportunities and focus on cost containment should result in continued strong earnings for the remainder of the year and beyond.

The company's expertise lies in analytic, engineering, logistics services, testing and field support of software and communications systems, as well as program, project and facilities management support. In addition, the company specializes in manufacturing and designing special purpose computer-based products.

COMARCO, INC.

Interim Statement Financial Data Statement of Income

(Unaudited -- Dollars in thousands, except per share)

	Quarter Ended		Three Quarters Ended	
	10/21/90	10/22/89	10/21/90	10/22/89
Revenues	$16,447	$18,527	$53,497	$60,505
Inc. from opers. bef. income taxes	599	374	1,486	1,210
Income taxes	141	75	297	184
Net income	458	299	1,189	1,026
Earnings per share				

(EPS)(A)	$0.10	$0.06	$0.26	$0.22
Weighted average shares of com. stock	4,631,000	4,764,000	4,631,000	4,683,000

Selected Balance Sheet Items	10/21/90	1/31/90
Net accounts receivable	$10,546	$12,020
Current assets	12,165	13,050
Total assets	18,517	21,480
Short-term debt	5	3,611
Current liabilities	7,326	10,128
Long-term debt	--	1,350
Converted subordinated debentures	4,768	4,768
Total shareholders' equity	6,423	5,234

(A) -- Fully diluted earnings per share is not presented as it would be antidilutive.

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#90309p3196 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Andover Togs, Inc. (NASDAQ: ATOG) announced today that it was currently in the process of implementing both temporary and permanent layoffs at its three manufacturing facilities in Alabama and its manufacturing facility in North Carolina.

The company announced that although it customarily implemented short-term temporary layoffs of operators at this time of year due to the seasonability of its manufacturing, the number of layoffs required this year was substantially higher than in previous years due to the dramatic slow down in the apparel industry generally and the company's reduction in business due to the tightening of its credit lines to customers.

The company announced that it would also implement moderate permanent staff reductions at these facilities in order to reduce overhead expenses. The company expects the layoffs to be only for a short period and intends to commence rehiring the majority of the workers in the near future.

Andover regrets the action it must take at this time but believes it is necessary in view of business conditions generally.

Andover Togs is one of the country's five largest suppliers of non- branded clothing, producing sportswear for infants, toddlers, children and ladies.

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#90309p3209 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
LIBERTY CORNER, N.J. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Blessings Corporation (AMEX: BCO) reported today that net sales for the 12 weeks ended Oct. 6, 1990 amounted to $26,433,200 compared with $25,797,300 for the comparable 12 weeks ended Oct. 7 1989. Year-to-date net sales for the 40 weeks totaled $84,371,400 compared with $77,770,100 in 1989. The revenue figures for both the quarter and the 40 weeks year-to-date represent new sales records for the company.

Net earnings during the quarter rose to $1,676,100 or 51 cents per share on 3,257,631 shares, vs. $1,189,500 or 36 cents per share on 3,258,712 shares during the third quarter in 1989. For the 40 weeks ended Oct. 6, 1990, net earnings reached $6,092,300 or $1.87 per share compared with $3,392,700 or $1.04 per share for the 40 weeks ended Oct. 7, 1989. Both earnings figures also represent records for the company with the year-to-date results some 80 percent ahead of the comparable results for the fiscal year 1989.

Ivan E. Becker, president and chief executive officer of Blessings, stated, "The Edison Plastics Division remains in a generally sold-out position in virtually all of the products which it produces. While sales and profitability for the Edison Plastics Division have achieved historically high levels this year, the division began to evidence the effects of a return to an environment of increasing raw material prices due to the uncertainties in petrochemical supplies resulting from the Persian Gulf crisis. Further raw material price instability, compounded by general market volatility, is likely to persist pending resolution of the Middle East situation."

Becker noted that, "The Geri-Care Products Division and the Advanced Compounding Division each experienced an improved sales picture during the third quarter in comparison to the generally slow summer months." Becker added that "We are delighted with the extremely strong performance of the company during the third quarter and throughout 1990. We look forward to a continuation of this trend during the fourth quarter subject to the uncertainties represented by the crisis in the Middle East."

The company reported that at its meeting on Oct. 9, 1990 the board of directors of the company declared a dividend of $.165 per share on outstanding stock payable on Dec. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 1.

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#90309p3216 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - JB's Restaurants Inc. (NASDAQ: JBBB), which operates 133 JB's family-style restaurants and franchises one JB's family-style restaurant in ten western states, today announced an agreement in

principle to become a franchisee of Sbarro Inc. Under the terms of the agreement, JB's will acquire two operating Sbarro restaurants in Phoenix and exclusive development rights to Phoenix and Portland, Ore. over the next three years. Plans are to open a minimum of 19 additional Sbarro restaurants in these two ADIs as well as units in contiguous markets when and where appropriate.

Commenting on the agreement, Fred P. Gonzales, president and chief operating officer, stated, "The Sbarro concept, which fills a unique niche in the growing Italian segment, is one of the most profitable and consistent performers in the restaurant industry. The franchise agreement provides JB's with a high margin growth concept which improves JB's overall shareholder returns."

Clark D. Jones, the company's chairman and chief executive officer added, "The opening of the Sbarro restaurants complements the company's previously announced growth plans for the JB's restaurant concept. Because most Sbarro units are located in regional shopping malls, they do not directly compete with existing JB's restaurants. Therefore, the company can take advantage of our knowledge of the ten state market where we already operate to maximize the potential of the Sbarro concept."

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#90309p3218 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA MONICA, CALIF. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Two respected forums for leading-edge contamination control information, the Microcontamination Conference and Expositon, sponsored by Canon Communications, Inc., and The Institute of Environmental Sciences (IES), today announced their new strategic alliance.

The new relationship between the groups stems from a mutual goal to produce industry leading sessions for their respective events by combining the applied elements of contamination control with the theoretical ones. The application-oriented Microcontamination conference is produced annually by Canon, which also publishes the corresponding "Micrcontamination" magazine. IES is a technical society of engineers, scientists and educators, which sponsors theoretical and application-driven contamination control symposiums.

The alliance allows both organizations to share professional knowledge and resources, enhancing conference offerings in the process. "We are looking forward to tapping into IES's impressive, multi- disciplinary expertise," said Canon's tradeshow director, Diane O'Connor. "In return, IES will be incorporating the strengths of the Microcontamination Conference into its own symposiums and meetings, thus providing its members with the latest, ground-breaking information about contamination control applications. We both

come out ahead in this alliance, but our conference attendees are the ultimate winners."

Each organization has strengths that the other does not, said, Anne Marie Dixon, 1991 president of IES. She explained: "The IES is seen to be dynamic in areas related to cleanroom design and engineering of support systems. The Microcontamination Conference and Exposition is perceived to be adept in process defectivity issues and semiconductor- related processing." The new relationship promises to bolster attendance and enthusiasm for future Microcontamination and IES events through technically-stronger programs, which will include new, exciting speakers and a wider selection of conference topics added O'Connor. The 1991 co-sponsored events will include IES's Annual Technical Meeting, May 6-10, and Microcontamination '91, Oct. 16-18.

The Institute of Environmental Sciences is a professional society of engineers scientists and educators from industry, government and academic institutions. Founded as a not-for-profit association in 1953, its aim is to understand the effects of environmental factors as they relate to the quality, producibility and safe operation of products, components and systems. In addition to the Annual Technical Meeting, IES also sponsors several annual technical conferences, including: the International Symposium of Contamination Control Societies, the Aerospace Testing Seminar, the Environmental Stress Screening of Electronic Hardware Conference, and the Reliability and Maintainability Symposium.

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AUSTIN, TEXAS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola's Digital Signal Processor Operation today announced a new 56100 family of 16-bit digital signal processors (DSPs). Based on Motorola's 56000 architecture, the 56100 family is optimized for voice and data applications, including digital cellular telephones, ISDN, networking and high-speed modems.

"We're bringing to market the most powerful family of 16-bit digital signal processors available," said Bryant Wilder, Motorola's DSP operations manager. "The 56100 family opens the door for a new industry of voice-based applications." Digital Cellular Mobile Applications

The 56100 family provides the high performance and integration necessary for the next generation of digital cellular telephones and base stations. With its high speed, the 56100 family can easily handle the variety of tasks needed for digital voice communications such as echo cancellation, equalization, error detection and correction, and noise filtering.

The 56100 family supports digital cellular standards chosen by Europe, the United States, and Japan. Europe is currently implementing pan-European digital cellular standards organized through the Groupe Speciale Mobile (GSM). GSM standards are designed to enhance compatibility, capacity and security for European inter-country cellular communication. The GSM specification also addresses speech transmission, videotext, transmission encryption and additional methods of secure communication.

The DSP56116 (116), the first member of the 56100 family, combines a high-speed core processing engine, many intelligent peripherals, and more than 8 Kbytes of on-chip memory for digital voice-based applications such as ISDN, digital cellular telephony, and speech compression.

The second member of the family, the DSP56156 (156), is the industry's first single-chip DSP designed to handle voice conversation and mangement functions required in the next generation of digital cellular telephones. Combining the high-speed core processor (DSP5616) with on-chip sigma-delta analog-to-digital (A/D) and digital-to-analog (D/A) conversion technology, the 156 is the industry's first DSP to provide a complete voice processing system on one chip.

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PITTSFORD, NY (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - SelecTronics Inc. (NASDAQ: SELE) reported a net profit of $48,000 or $0.001 per share on a 13 percent increase in revenues to $10.6 million for the second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The return to profitability was driven by a $1.1 million increase in operating income compared to the year-ago quarter when the company had a net loss of ($603,000) or ($0.017) per share.

Michael Weiner, chairman and CEO, said sales of SelecTronics handheld electronic reference products increased 10 percent due to expanded domestic and international distribution of new products, such as the Berlitz Interpreter and Eurotraveller; French and U.K. versions of the WordFinder 220; the updated WordFinder HH220; and the Electronic Bible. Total SelecTronics brand shipments exceeded 250,000 units, more than twice year-ago volume. The year-ago quarter included a large, one-time shipment of handheld units made under contract, private label, for another company.

Sales of Microlytics retail software products increased 85 percent due to the introduction of the InfoDesk series of programs for the PC and Macintosh, starting with Inside Information and The Random House Encyclopedia. Microlytics software licensing revenue increased 25 percent due to expanded licensing activities.

Gross margin increased to 32 percent of sales from 22 percent due to higher margins on new handheld products which have lower manufacturing costs. Operating expenses were nearly the same as the year-ago quarter, but as a percentage of sales, dropped to 27 percent from 29 percent due to increased productivity.

Weiner commented: "We are pleased and encouraged by our return to profitability. Our goal is to achieve steadily rising quarter-to- quarter profitability in order to maximize shareholder value. Our plan is to continue efforts to introduce new products, improve gross margins and control costs."

In the second half of the year, Weiner said the company plans to begin delivering the Pocket PDR (Physicians Desk Reference) to Medical Economics Inc. and plans to begin shipping the handheld version of The Random House Electronic Encyclopedia, and the German, Italian and Spanish versions of the WordFinder 220. On the Microlytics software side of the business, the company plans to begin a program to market its software properties to the PC industry for use in the new memory card standard recently adopted by more than 40 laptop manufacturers and major software publishers, and plans to begin shipping Strunk & White's The Elements of Style as the third title in the InfoDesk software series.

SelecTronics Inc., which is 30 percent owned by Xerox, manufactures and markets handheld electronic reference products including the Electronic Bible licensed from Harper & Row; the Electronic Encyclopedia licensed from Random House; multi-language translators licensed from Berlitz; and WordFinder dictionaries, thesauruses, and spelling checkers. Its wholly-owned subsidiary, Microlytics, Inc., develops and markets software through traditional distribution channels and OEM licenses, including Microsoft, WordStar, Lotus, Tandy, Citizen, Hewlett-Packard, Claris, Symantec, XyQuest, Caere, DEC, and others.

SELECTRONICS, INC.
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)
(For the quarter and six months
ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989)

	Quarter ended		Six months ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30 1989	Sept. 30 1990	Sept. 30 1989
Revenues:				
Net sales	$9,271,000	$8,308,000	$15,746,000	$13,084,000
Royalties	1,302,000	1,043,000	3,285,00	2,957,000
Total	10,573,000	9,351,000	19,031,000	16,041,000
Cost of revenues	7,216,000	7,261,000	13,080,000	12,261,000
Gross profit	3,357,000	2,090,000	5,951,000	3,780,000
Operating expenses:				

SG&A	2,501,000	2,400,000	4,709,000	4,731,000
R&D	323,000	303,000	572,000	485,000
Total	2,824,000	2,703,000	5,281,000	5,216,000
Income (loss) from operations	533,000	(613,000)	670,000	(1,436,000)
Other income (expense):				
Interest expense	(367,000)	(357,000)	(721,000)	(562,000)
Goodwill amortization	(118,000)	0	(236,000)	0
Total	(485,000)	(357,000)	(957,000)	(562,000)
Income (loss) before income taxes	48,000	(970,000)	(287,000)	(1,998,000)
Income tax benefit	0	367,000	0	612,000
Net profit (loss)	$48,000	($603,000)	($287,000)	($1,386,000)
Net profit (loss)/share	$0.001	($0.017)	($0.008)	($0.039)
Average number of common shares outstanding	38,255,199	35,755,199	38,255,199	35,755,199

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LOUISVILLE, KY. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Navistar International Transportation Corp. and the United Auto Workers union have reached tentative agreement on new three-year labor contracts covering 8,000 production, maintenance and clerical employees. The settlement, which is subject to ratification, ends a brief strike that began at the end of second shift operations on Friday, Nov. 2, 1990.

The company said UAW-represented employees at Navistar manufacturing plants and parts distribution centers should report for work on their regularly scheduled shift today, Monday, Nov. 5, 1990.

No details of the tentative agreements will be released pending completion of the ratification process.

The company said it has been informed by the UAW that ratification meetings at the 12 UAW local unions covered by the agreements at Navistar plants and operations in Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Ohio and Texas will be scheduled for later this week.

The previous UAW-Navistar contracts, which had been in effect since Nov. 1987, were scheduled to expire on Oct. 1, 1990, but had been extended by mutual agreement.

Navistar International Transportation Corp., the principal operating subsidiary of Navistar International Corporation (NYSE: NAV), is the leading manufacturer in North America of medium and heavy trucks and the worldwide leader in the production of mid-range diesel engines.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Zapata Corporation (NYSE: ZOS) announced today that it has commenced tender offers for all its outstanding 10-1/4 percent subordinated debentures due 1997 and 10-7/8 percent subordinated debentures due 2001.

The company is offering $480 for each $1,000 principal amount. Accrued interest will not be paid on the debentures tendered. The offers are conditioned upon the tender of 80 percent of the combined outstanding principal amount of both series of debentures.

The tender offers are part of a comprehensive restructuring by Zapata to reduce its debt obligations. The restructuring is necessary because Zapata will not be able to make payments beginning Dec. 31, 1990 under its existing bank agreement out of its current level of cash flow. The company's new restructuring agreement with its lenders is conditioned upon the completion of the tender offers.

If Zapata's restructuring plan is unsuccessful for any reason, including failure of the tender offers for the debentures, then the company believes it would likely have to seek protection under federal bankruptcy laws.

"Although the value that debenture holders could obtain in a bankruptcy proceeding is uncertain, Zapata believes that such value would be significantly less than the $480 per $1,000 of principal now being offered," Zapata Chairman and Chief Executive Officer R. C. Lassiter said. "The debentures are unsecured and effectively junior in right of payment to all bank debt and all obligations of the company's subsidiaries."

Zapata has not had an operating profit since the first quarter of 1985. The company had a loss of $42.2 million for the nine months ended June 30, 1990.

Zapata Corporation is a Houston-based company that produces oil and natural gas, conducts commercial menhaden fishing operations that produce fish meal

and edible oil, and manages a fleet of offshore drilling rigs. Zapata is also the largest shareholder in Zapata Gulf Marine Corporation, the world's leading operator of marine service vessels.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Fred D. Gibson, Jr., chairman, president and chief executive officer of American Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: APFC), today stated that under present market conditions, the company does not intend to proceed with its planned equity offering unless the currently depressed price of the company's shares improves substantially. He also announced that based on preliminary results for the fiscal year and quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, American Pacific registered sharp gains in revenues, net income and net income per share for both periods.

The company previously announced that on Sept. 4, 1990, it filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to the proposed offer and sale of 2,062,000 shares of its common stock, 1,900,000 to be sold by it and 162,000 shares to be sold by certain selling stockholders.

For the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income climbed to $7,363,000, equal to $1.42 per share on revenues of $59,509,000. results for the prior year are not directly comparable since the company was operating in a start-up mode for the first 10 months of fiscal 1989. For that year, the company reported net income of $1,366,000, equal to 25 cents per share on revenues of $13,962,000. Weighted average common shares outstanding were 5,147,000 in fiscal 1990 and 4,860,000 in fiscal 1989.

Net income for the fourth quarter totaled $1,819,000, equal to 37 cents per share, up 36 percent from $1,353,000 or 27 cents per share one year earlier. Fourth quarter revenues increased 40 per cent to $15,317,000 from $10,988,000 in the fiscal 1989 quarter.

American Pacific's principal business activities consist of the prooduction of ammonium perchlorate, the oxidizer utilized in composite solid rocket propellants employed by a large number of space and military systems. Through direct and indirect subsidiaries, the company is engaged in the manufacture of chlorate and perchlorate chemicals, the design and manufacture of electrolytic systems and electrodes, the design and manufacture of pollution control systems, and industrial real estate development.

This communication shall not be deemed a prospectus and shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an order to buy and securities of the company.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. (NYSE: CHH) today announced that its profit sharing plan will begin purchasing shares of the company's common stock on the open market, instead of purchasing new shares, effective immediately. The amount available for these purchases is presently estimated to be between $6 and $7 million over the next six months.

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#90309p3232 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CALIF. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Samsung Information Systems America today announced the NoteMaster(TM) 386S/16, the company's first notebook computer. AT $4,499, the NoteMaster is one of the most affordable entries into the fast-growing notebook market.

The 7-pound NoteMaster measures 11 inches by two inches by 8.5 inches (W x H x D) and utilizes Intel's 32-bit 16-megahertz 80386SX microprocessor. Standard features include a 20-megabyte hard-disk drive and LapLink(R) III software from Traveling Software(R) Inc. of Bothell, Wash. In addition, a new chip set from CHIPS and Technologies Inc., of San Jose, offers users a near-photographic quality VGA graphics display.

Scalable Smart Sleep is a proprietary Samsung feature in which the CPU monitors screen activity as well as keyboard activity. This allows the CPU to complete processing tasks that do not involve the keyboard before going into the sleep mode, eliminating the need to constantly touch the keys in order to prevent the sleep mode from activating. Other sleep mode schemes only monitor the keyboard so users have to constantly touch a key to prevent the computer from going into the sleep mode. Scalable Smart Sleep is completely scalable by the user, so it can be adjusted to match the requirements of an application or the skill level of a user. Users who manipulate large amounts of data or graphics will find the Smart Sleep feature particularly beneficial.

With the advances of the CHIPS and Technologies, Inc. chip set, the display has been enhanced to make graphical programs easier to use. For example, the cursor stays visible when a mouse is used, so the user can easily track its movements across the screen.

Samsung Information Systems America, Headquartered in San Jose, Calif., markets personal computers, local-area network (LAN) hardware systems, portable computers and monochrome and color monitors. Samsung markets its

products through reseller and distribution channels in North America. The company has regional offices in Saddlebrook, N.J.; Fullerton, Calif.; and Atlanta. The Samsung customer support number is 800-446-0262. Product literature is available by calling 800-624-8999, ext. 851.

Samsung Electronics Company (SEC) Ltd., the Seoul Korea parent company of Samsung Information Systems America, is a "sands to systems" manufacturer of electronic products ranging from telecommunications devices to computer systems and peripherals. Since 1981, SEC has sold nine million computer products, including eight million monitors. Both Samsung Information Systems America and SEC are part of Samsung Group, based in Seoul, Korea, a $35 billion international company focusing on the electronics, chemical, food processing, textiles, information, service and trade industries. In 1990, Fortune magazine ranked Samsung Group the 20th-largest company in the world.

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#90309p3233 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Samsung Information Systems America today introduced three computer products for business and technical users who require high performance at affordable prices.

The SystemMaster 486/25TE and SystemMaster 386/33T are tower systems designed for use as high-performance workstations or file servers. The PowerMaster 386/25 is a desktop computer designed to function as a stand-alone system, networked workstation, or low-cost file server.

SystemMaster 486/25TE The SystemMaster 486/25TE is Samsung's first high-end 80486-based EISA system. The speed and processing power of the SystemMaster 486 make it ideal for use with applications such as imaging, computer-aided design and computer-aided software engineering. The system has also been designed to function as a high-performance file server, capable of supporting Novell NetWare and Xenix.

Standard features include 4-megabytes of RAM, second-level cache, a 5.25-inch 1.2-megabyte floppy-disk drive, a 3.5-inch 1.44-megabyte floppy-disk drive, eight EISA-compatible 32-bit expansion slots, two serial ports, one parallel port and a mouse port. The floor-standing tower-type SystemMaster 486/25TE will run under MS-DOS 3.3 and subsequent versions of MS-DOS, OS/2, Novell NetWare, UNIX and Xenix. There are five half-height drive bays for storage expansion.

SystemMaster 386/33T The SystemMaster 386/33T, like the SystemMaster 486/25TE, is suited for use as a file server on a network or for other high-end

applications. The 33-megahertz 80386-based system includes the following standard features: 4-megabytes of RAM, 64-kilobyte cache, a 5.25-inch 1.2-megabyte floppy-disk drive, a 3.5-inch 1.44-megabyte floppy-disk drive, a 275-watt power supply and 101-key keyboard. The system also has five half-height drive bays for storage expansion.

PowerMaster 386/25 The PowerMaster 386/25 is the second generation of Samsung's 80386- based workstation line. Its features include 2-megabytes of RAM, 64- kilobyte cache, eight expansion slots, two serial ports, one parallel port and three additional drive bays for additional data storage. The PowerMaster 386/25 will run under MS-DOS 3.3 and subsequent versions of MS-DOS.

Samsung Information Systems America, headquartered in San Jose, markets personal computers, local-area network (LAN) hardware systems, portable computers, and monochrome and color monitors. Samsung markets its products through reseller and distribution channels in North America. The company has regional offices in Saddlebrook, N.J.; Fullerton, Calif.; and Atlanta. The Samsung customer support number is 800-446-0262. Product literature is available by calling 800-624-8999, ext. 851.

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#90309p3234 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The NWNL Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: NWNL) today reported third quarter net income of $12.1 million, or 97 cents per share, a decline of 12 percent from $1.10 per share in the third quarter of 1989, when net income was $14.2 million.

Year-to-date net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $37.0 million compared with $38.9 million the previous year. On a per share basis, nine-month earnings were $2.95, a decline of 2 percent from $3.01 per share in 1989.

NWNL Chairman and Chief Executive Officer John E. Pearson said, "Although third quarter operating earnings are somewhat lower than they were at this time last year, we feel that they are quite strong, given our operating environment, and within the range of analysts' expectations. Problem commercial mortgages, which have received some scrutiny recently, are unchanged from year end as measured by the industry definition. Additions to commercial mortgage reserves in the third quarter were significantly lower than in the second quarter and moderately higher than 1989 levels."

"Indeed," he continued, "These results demonstrate that our business mix is sufficiently diversified that when economic conditions become difficult for

one aspect of our business, favorable results from other areas provide stable operating results."

John G. Turner, president and chief operating officer, noted, "Of our two broad categories of businesses -- those that manage insurance risk and those that manage interest rate spreads -- the operations that base their profitability on managing insurance risk demonstrated the better performance during the quarter."

Of these businesses, group insurance earnings through the end of the third quarter were more than 50 percent higher than in 1989, based mainly on the strength of the group health insurance operations. The company's two reinsurance operations also contributed significantly to results.

Earnings year-to-date in individual life insurance and annuities were down compared with the previous year, largely due to narrowing spreads and investment losses. However, noted Turner, "During the third quarter there were several indicators of strength in NWNL's individual insurance operations." These included:

-- Increased sales of individual life insurance and annuities; -- Improved persistency of policies sold; and -- Successful recruiting and retention of agents. "That these are difficult times in the financial services industry is obvious enough," concluded Pearson. "But we are confident that we are well prepared and well structured to manage successfully within such an environment."

The book value of NWNL common stock has risen to $40.78 per share as of the end of the third quarter. At the end of 1989, it was $38.70.

NWNL's common stock, which currently trades on the national over-the-counter market, has been approved for trading on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol NWN, effective Nov. 12, 1990.

The NWNL Companies, Inc. is a Minneapolis-based diversified holding company specializing in insurance and financial services.

THE NWNL COMPANIES, INC. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Unaudited) (In Thousands, Except Per-Share Data)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89(B)	9/30/90	9/30/89(B)
Premium revenues	$137,093	$132,849	$404,799	$394,347
Total revenue	330,869	341,806	997,905	1,002,687
Income from continuing operations:				
Income excluding realized investment gains (losses)(A)	17,047	19,285	68,624	52,227
Realized investment				

gains (losses) (after tax)(A)	(4,953)	(3,338)	(19,990)	(8,367)
Income from continuing operations	12,094	15,947	48,634	43,860
Discontinued operations:				
Loss from operations	--	(1,791)	(5,785)	(4,985)
Loss on disposal, net of $1,500 tax benefit	--	--	(5,800)	--
Loss from discontinued operations	--	(1,791)	(11,585)	(4,985)
Net income	$12,094	$14,156	$37,049	$38,875
Per share: Income from continuing operations:				
Income excluding realized investment gains (losses)(A)	$1.37	$1.50	$5.46	$4.05
Realized investment gains (losses) (after tax)(A)	(.40)	(.26)	(1.59)	(.65)
Income from continuing operations	.97	1.24	3.87	3.40
Discontinued operations:				
Loss from operations	--	(.14)	(.46)	(.39)
Loss on disposal	--	--	(.46)	--
Loss from discontinued operations	--	(.14)	(.92)	(.39)
Net income	$.97	$1.10	$2.95	$3.01
Average shares outstanding	12,428	12,906	12,558	12,906

(A) Income excluding realized investment gains and losses and after tax realized investment gains (losses) are not presented on the statement of operations, however they are shown here for comparison purposes.

(B) Prior period amounts have been restated to reflect the results of discontinued operations separately.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Samsung Information Systems America announced today it will provide a six-month on-site warranty for both its file server products and the third-party hardware used with them. The company will also offer users a 50 percent discount on a comprehensive NetWare service and support program.

The new hardware warranty, offered in conjunction with Intelogic Trace (NYSE: IT), one of the nation's largest service and support companies, is provided in addition to Samsung's standard one-year product warranty. Valued at $350, it

covers additional hardware, such as network interface cards, added to Samsung file servers at the time of purchase.

In addition to the new warranty, Samsung and IT have launched a special promotion of IT's LAN Support Program, a NetWare service and support program that covers numerous hardware and software products from major third-party NetWare vendors. Users that purchase a Samsung file server will receive a discount coupon worth $1,250 toward the purchase of one year of LAN Support Program service. The service has a suggested list price of $2,495.

Samsung's new six-month warranty covers various hardware products added to a newly purchased Samsung 386AE or 386A3 file server. For example, a network interface card or a video display card from manufacturers such as Novell, Seagate, Paradise and Western Digital would be covered under the warranty. New and existing workstations, printers, monitors and other devices can be added to the warranty for a nominal charge. IT provides a list of pre-approved manufacturers and products that qualify for the warranty.

Samsung's 16-megahertz 386AE file server has a suggested retail price of $3,699. The 33-megahertz 386A3 file server has a suggested retail price of $5,999. Both products are sold through key North American distributors.

The LAN Support Program, IT's comprehensive NetWare service and support program, is offered within a 50-mile radius of most U.S. metropolitan areas. The service includes:

-- Four-hour on-site response -- Certified NetWare engineers and technicians -- NetWare software support -- Day and night toll-free hotline (7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Central Standard Time)

Under the LAN Support Program promotion, Samsung file server users will receive a coupon entitling them to a 50 percent discount on one year of LAN Support Program service. The coupon is redeemable up to 30 days after the purchase of a Samsung file server. The promotion will run through June 1991.

Intelogic Trace, headquartered in San Antonio, Texas, has provided a service and support program for Samsung's products since July 1989. Through more than 200 nationwide field service locations, IT can quickly respond to inquiries from customers. The company's Customer Support Center handles calls for service 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

IT is one of the nation's largest independent organizations for end users, manufacturers and resellers of computer and telecommunications equipment. The company specializes in equipment maintenance, sales leasing and technical support.

Samsung Information Systems America, headquartered in San Jose, markets local-area network (LAN) hardware systems, personal computers, portable

computers and monochrome and color monitors. Samsung markets its products through reseller and distribution channels in North America. Samsung has regional sales offices in Atlanta; Morris Plains, N.J.; and Fullerton, Calif. The Samsung customer support number is 800-446-0262. Product literature is available by calling 800-624-8999, ext. 851.

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#90309p3238 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, NY (NOV. 5) PR WIRE - A&W Brands, Inc. (NASDAQ: SODA) announced that it has commenced today a tender offer for any and all of its outstanding 12-3/4 percent subordinated notes due 1996 (the "notes"). The company is offering to repurchase any and all of the notes at a price of $105.50 for each $100 principal amount of each tendered note. The company will also pay accrued, but unpaid, interest on the notes up to, but not including, the date of payment to each tendering noteholder. In connection with this offer, each tendering noteholder is required to deliver a consent to the deletion of certain restrictive covenants and other provisions from the indenture governing the issuance of the notes. The terms of this offer are described in the offer to purchase and solicitation of consent and the procedure for tendering notes is described in the letter of transmittal and consent, each of which are being distributed today to registered noteholders.

M.L. Lowenkron, president and chief executive officer of the company, believes the repurchase of the company's long-term subordinated debt will enhance the company's financial condition and will better position it to pursue future investment opportunities which may arise. Lowenkron also concluded that the offer provided noteholders with an attractive opportunity to realize a premium on their investment in the company.

The agent for the company on this tender offer is The First National Bank of Boston, contact: Davis Young or Tracy Meyer, 617-575-2166. This offer will expire at 4 p.m., New York time, on Dec. 5, 1990, unless extended by the company in its sole discretion.

A&W Brands, Inc., headquartered in White Plains, markets nine soft drinks in five flavor categories. The brands include A&W Root Beer, diet A&W Root Beer, A&W Cream Soda, A&W diet Cream Soda, Squirt, Diet Squirt, Vernors, diet Vernors and Country Time Lemonade in ready-to- drink form.

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#90309p3241 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation has been awarded a $12.5 million contract by the City and County of Denver for quality assurance construction inspection services at the new Denver International Airport. The contract is one of the largest issued to date as part of the new airport project.

Stone & Webster will be responsible for the development and implementation of a comprehensive inspection and monitoring program for the terminal complex area, which includes the terminal buildings, concourses, Automated Ground Transportation System (AGTS), AGTS/baggage tunnel structure, central heating plant and parking and road structures. The company's contract is part of the city's Quality Assurance (QA) Program, which assures that construction contractors are fulfilling the requirements set out in plans and specifications.

Construction of the $2.3 billion Denver International Airport will entail approximately 70 construction contracts, which will be awarded and completed over the next three to four years. Initial foundation and substructure construction work will commence in December.

Stone & Webster has committed to use Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) to accomplish 35 percent of the work. Stone & Webster's team includes several local DBE firms.

Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation, a subsidiary of Stone & Webster, Incorporated (NYSE: SW), provides engineering and construction services for civil works, electric power and industrial facilities around the world. Headquartered in Boston, the company has full-service offices in Denver, New York, Houston, Cherry Hill, N.J., and Fort Lauderdale, with affiliates in Canada and Milton Keynes in the United Kingdom. Stone & Webster's Denver office is staffed by nearly 1,000 engineers and other professionals. From Denver, the company provides engineering and construction services for clients throughout the West and Midwest.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Scott Paper Co. (NYSE: SPP) today announced that it and Feldmuhle AG formed a joint venture to own and operate Feldmuhle's sanitary tissue business.

Scott acquired a 51 percent interest in the venture and is entitled to obtain ownership of the remaining 49 percent in three years. Scott paid Feldmuhle approximately $130 million and is obligated to pay Feldmuhle an approximately

equal amount, plus interest, in three years. Scott is responsible for operating the new company and will fully consolidate its financial results.

The joint venture will market consumer and commercial sanitary tissue products in the Federal Republic of Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium and France. The company manufactures its sanitary tissue products at two mills in Germany and one in the Netherlands and had 1989 sales of around $300 million.

Scott is Europe's largest tissue paper producer and marketer with 1989 sales of approximately $1.2 billion in the United Kingdom, France, Italy, Spain, Portugal and Belgium.

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ST. PAUL, MINN. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - 3M (NYSE: MMM) is well- positioned to win in the competitive marketplace of the '90s, company executives today told investors in London, England.

M.J. Monteiro, executive vice president, International Operations, said 3M's strengths include a steady stream of new products, a strong presence in international markets, and a "relentless drive" to improve quality and productivity.

Monteiro noted that, in each of the past three years, 3M has generated more than 30 percent of its sales from new products -- products introduced within the previous five years. "And we intend do even better," he said.

"During the past five years, we've invested nearly $3.3 billion in research and development," Monteiro said. "Much of that investment was not for immediate product development, but for building technologies for our future. In the '90s, we'll be harvesting the fruits of that investment."

One of 3M's big pushes is to get products to market faster. "We want to cut by 50 percent the time it takes us to commercialize a technology," Monteiro told investors.

In international markets, which now account for 48 percent of worldwide 3M sales, the company expects to sustain double-digit unit- volume growth over the next three to five years.

Monteiro noted that 3M has a lot of room to grow overseas because its market penetration there is considerably lower than in the United States. He said the company also has a lot of strengths overseas. These include 19 companies in Europe and 13 in the fast-growing Asia-Pacific region. To capitalize on

overseas growth opportunities, 3M has significantly expanded its technical, manufacturing and marketing activities.

On the quality front, 3M is adopting the criteria for the Malcolm Baldrige quality awards "to focus everything we do on satisfying our customers," Monteiro said.

Roger W. Roberts, senior vice president, Finance, discussed a new set of 3M productivity goals, which are aimed at sustaining the company's record of solid profitability. These goals include a 10 percent real reduction in unit manufacturing costs, a 35 percent reduction in waste and a 20 percent reduction in energy consumption by 1995.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Country Lake Foods Inc. (NASDAQ:CLFI) today reported record net sales of $52,871,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 35 percent over last year's $39,060,000. After a charge of $750,000 for costs in connection with the previously announced restructuring of the company's ice cream business, net earnings were $462,000, equal to 10 cents per share, compared with $1,221,000, or 28 cents per share, in last year's third quarter.

Sales gains resulted mainly from the acquisition of Superior-Dairy Fresh Milk Co., which became part of Country Lake on June 1, 1990, and higher selling prices for products.

Thomas N. Packard, president of Country Lake Foods, said that while raw milk prices remain at historically high levels, the company's margins have recovered from the effects of last year's steep price increases. He said milk prices began to decline in the fourth quarter and should continue to decline during the first half of 1991.

"The consolidation of our two Twin Cities dairies at our Woodbury, Minn., facility is proceeding as planned and will result in significant savings over the long term," Packard said. "But, as expected, the cost of this consolidation has had a negative impact on our earnings."

For the nine months, net sales were $138,548,000, a gain of 21.5 percent from last year's $114,050,000. Net earnings were $1,872,000, equal to 42 cents per share, compared with $2,655,000, or 60 cents per share, in 1989.

Headquartered in Minneapolis, Country Lake produces and distributes fresh packaged milk, ice cream, other dairy products and fruit juices in a six-state Midwest region.

COUNTRY LAKE FOODS INC.
(in thousands, except per-share amounts)

	3 months ended		9 months ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$52,871	$39,060	$138,548	$114,050
Net earnings	462	1,221	1,872	2,655
Earnings per share	$.10	$.28	$.42	$.60
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,431	4,430	4,431	4,430

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WOODLAND HILLS, CALIF. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Perceptronics Inc. (NASDAQ: PERC) reported higher than anticipated operating results for its second fiscal quarter, although income and revenues were below the comparable prior year period.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income amounted to $104,099, equal to $.03 per share, on revenues of $4,731,479. The company earned $378,110, or $.11 per share, on revenues of $7,404,435 in the second quarter a year ago. Net income for the current quarter includes an extraordinary credit of $42,800, equal to $.01 per share, compared with $164,900, or $.05 per share last year, reflecting utilization of net operating loss carryforwards.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Perceptronics' net income totalled $253,638, equal to $.07 per share, on revenues of $10,903,988. In the prior year's first half, net income amounted to $491,706, or $.14 per share, on revenues of $14,135,907. Of the current first half net income, $104,300, equal to $.03 per share, represents utilization of a net operating loss carryforward, compared with $205,400, or $.06 per share, a year ago.

"Results for the second quarter reflect the winding down of activities on the company's SIMNET contract," said Gershon Weltman, Perceptronics' chairman and chief executive officer. "We are pleased that despite this period of decreased revenues, Perceptronics was able to achieve profitable operations for the quarter while at the same time making a sizeable increase in new product development efforts."

Weltman noted that the company's firm contract backlog at Sept. 30, 1990, increased to $18.3 million from $15.2 million at March 31, 1990, the close of the prior fiscal year. A current options backlog of $24.5 million brings total backlog to $42.8 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with total backlog at fiscal year end of $44.8 million.

Perceptronics is engaged in research and system development -- primarily for the Department of Defense -- and in the manufacture and marketing of low-cost, intelligent computer-based systems for training, simulation and decision support.

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ANAHEIM, CALIF. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas R. Anderson, formerly vice president of finance and chief financial officer for Cipher Data Products, has joined Distributed Logic Corp. (DILOG) (NASDAQ: DLOG) here as senior vice president and chief financial officer.

In his new post, Anderson is responsible for the company's global financial operations, including all activities in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom and Switzerland. He reports directly to Glenn C. Salley, chairman and chief executive officer.

"We are extremely pleased to have someone of Ted Anderson's caliber become an integral part of our management team," Salley said. "He brings with him the financial experience and business judgment needed for this important position, as well as a demonstrated ability to work effectively in a team environment."

Before joining DILOG, Anderson held major financial management positions with both technology and financial companies. He was vice president and chief financial officer as well as corporate treasurer and assistant secretary for Cipher Data Products in San Diego for eight years. Prior to that, he worked for Dataproducts Corporation for five years, as divisional controller in San Jose, Calif., and internal audit manager in Woodland Hills, Calif. He earlier worked for Rockwell International for four years, as a senior internal auditor in Dallas and as assistant business segment controller for the Power Tool Division, in Memphis, Tenn. He began his career with Arthur Anderson & Company in Chicago as a senior auditor.

Anderson holds both a bachelor of arts degree in accounting and a masters of business administration degree from Michigan State University. He presently resides with his wife and daughter in Del Mar, Calif.

DILOG, headquartered in Anaheim, is a leading supplier of mass data storage, communications and other peripherals systems for use with computers made by Digital Equipment Corp., Sun Microsystems Inc., and IBM.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Viking Office Products Inc. (NASDAQ: VKNG) today reported results of its quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter were a record $48.1 million, an increase of 33.9 percent over the same quarter in 1989. Net earnings were $1.6 million, an increase of 36.6 percent over the comparable 1989 quarter. After tax interest expense was reduced by $460,000. Start- up operating costs in the United Kingdom were $634,000 for the quarter.

Per share income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $.18 versus $.19 in last year's quarter due to a 45 percent increase in the average number of shares outstanding.

Viking sells office products to businesses in the United States and United Kingdom through direct catalog marketing.

VIKING OFFICE PRODUCTS INC.
Consolidated First Quarter Earnings
(Amounts in thousands except per share item)

	Three months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$48,082	$35,911
Gross profit	$17,210	$14,291
Operating Income	$2,890	$3,170
Net income	$1,561	$1,143
Net income per share	$0.18	$0.19
Weighted average shares outstanding	8,595	5,939

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - American diamond merchants exporting loose cut diamonds are headed for another banner year, according to data from their American Diamond Industry Association. But caution continues to prevail among American importers of cut-but- not-set diamonds, reflecting both an overall slowdown in the American economy and a general "hold" on inventories relative to sales, the ADIA reports.

"Foreign demand for loose American-cut diamonds has continued at a high level this year. Japan reports an increase of some 15.2 percent in yen in imports of polished diamonds from the United States," ADIA Chairman Lloyd Jaffe said.

Through August 1990, the first eight months of the year and a period for which the most recent aggregate export data is available, U.S. diamond merchants shipped some 647,000 carats of loose, cut diamonds valued at $947.4 million, overseas.

By value, the eight-month 1990 exports are 28.4 percent ahead of exports in the same 1989 period. "At the present pace," Jaffe explained, "we will hit the $1 billion level for the second year in a row. This will set a new record of back-to-back billion dollar years for the industry," Jaffe added.

Though the number of carats exported is indeed up, the number imported has declined. The average price for these imported loose, cut diamonds, however, has been rising, the ADIA notes, in part reflecting the desire for larger, better stones.

ADIA data for the first eight months of 1990 show that American diamond merchants imported loose polished diamonds totalling 4.1 million carats valued at $2.2 billion as compared to 6.2 million carats valued at nearly $2.57 billion during the same eight month period last year. "Though American merchants have cut back on their aggregate imports of cut-but-not-set diamonds " said Jaffe, "they are paying higher average per carat prices for them."

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Waste Industries (NASDAQ: WWIN) today announced that net income increased to $2,857,000 for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, up 39 percent from $2,058,000 in the prior year's first quarter. Earnings per share were $.21 compared with $.19 in the corresponding year-earlier period. Revenue advanced 24 percent to $51,071,000 from $41,333,000 in the same period a year ago.

"We are certainly pleased with the gains achieved in the first quarter, although we believe improvement can be made in operating margins over subsequent periods," said Kosti Shirvanian, president and chief executive officer. "Recent world events have affected many companies, including ours, and resulted in escalating fuel and other costs. We are working to offset these cost increases through cost control measures and price increases.

"Our recent addition of 15 new franchise agreements will generate immediate benefits. Our 82 total franchise agreements provide a stable and long term revenue stream," Shirvanian further stated.

"We should continue to see increased revenue from our landfills operations in

the future, as we did in the first quarter. This area of our business will expand with the opening later this fiscal year of new landfills recently acquired in Baton Rogue, La. and New Boston, Texas. These landfills will be augmented by additional sites as we continue our aggressive development program," he added.

Western Waste is a leading integrated waste management company, providing collection services, landfill, transfer station and recycling operations for commercial, industrial and residential customers. The company has operations in California, Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Florida, Colorado and Arizona. The company reported revenue of $172 million and net income of $9.7 million for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

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DAYTONA BEACH, FLA. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated-Tomoka Land Co. (NASDAQ: CTLC) today released its earnings report for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

Quarter ended	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$ 6,500,527	$ 9,136,541
Net income	$(1,314,004)	$ (518,908)
Earnings per share		
Primary	$ (.42)	$ (.16)
Fully diluted	$ (.40)	$ (.16)
Nine months ended	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$23,138,281	$33,155,806
Net income	$(2,829,578)	$ 395,779
Earnings per share		
Primary	$ (.90)	$ .13
Fully diluted	$ (.86)	$ .12

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HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Knogo Corporation (NYSE: KNO), a multi-national company now celebrating its 25th anniversary as the standard in loss prevention industry, today announced several promotions.

Arthur J. Minasy, founder of the company (and of the global Electronic Article

Surveillance industry), and holder of many patents in Loss Prevention technologies, has been named chairman of the board. He will retain his responsibilities as chief executive officer.

Succeeding Minasy as president and chief operating officer of Knogo Corporation, is Thomas A. Nicolette, who had been president of Knogo North America.

Willard C. (Bill) Nix Jr. has been appointed president of Knogo North America. Nix joined the company in May as senior vice president.

According to Minasy, "These changes have been designed to capitalize on growth Knogo has already experienced, and to help us reach our strategic long range plan. The board has given us both a vote of confidence, and a mandate to be even more responsive to customers and shareholders."

Knogo's latest financial statement, issued Oct. 10, reported a 29 percent increase in revenues for the second quarter of fiscal 1991. For the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, revenues increased to $35,917,000, up from $32,329,000 in the comparable period of the previous year. Backlog, at an all-time high, is expected to be translated into revenues during the balance of this fiscal year.

Since 1966, Knogo has been the world's technological leader in the design and manufacture of anti-theft systems for retailers. Increasing white collar crime is expanding Knogo's potential marketplace. Its recent thrust is applying its 25 years of experience to protecting business assets.

Knogo Corporation has subsidiaries in more than 20 countries, plus manufacturing facilities in New York, Puerto Rico, Belgium and Brazil.

Knogo's Radio Frequency and Micro-Magnetic technologies, its Surveillor Closed Circuit Video Systems and its new KnoGlo Dye-Release systems, offer end-users loss prevention products for many new applications. The company's value-added philosophy allows it to solve any problem as it is presented, without being limited to supplying only mass-produced systems.

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TROY, MICH. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) today announced the appointment of George R. Mrkonic Jr. to executive vice president specialty retailing.

Kmart's specialty retail divisions include Builders Square, Inc., PACE Membership Warehouse, Inc., Pay Less Drug Stores Northwest, Inc., The Sports Authority and Walden Book Company, Inc. They consist of approximately 1,800

stores and generate sales of approximately $7 billion.

In this new position, Mrkonic, 38, will initially be responsible for Pay Less Drug Stores and Waldenbooks. He will report directly to Joseph E. Antonini, Kmart chairman of the board and chief executive officer. These subsidiaries previously reported directly to Antonini.

Upon the retirement of Larry M. Parkin, Kmart's executive vice president, warehouse and grocery operations, at year-end (January 1991), Mrkonic will also assume the responsibility for Builders Square, PACE Membership Warehouse and The Sports Authority.

"George Mrkonic's past experience in strategic and financial planning, as well as in retail operations, plus his demonstrated leadership skills as a results-oriented senior retailing executive, will make him a great asset to our growing specialty businesses," said Antonini.

Mrkonic has most recently been president of Eyelab, Inc., a subsidiary of Cole National Corporation. Mrkonic was part of a management shareholder group at Cole National which recently sold Eyelab to Pearle, Inc. Prior to his Eyelab employment, he was president and chief executive officer of Herman's Sporting Goods, Inc. after having served in various executive capacities in the W.R. Grace Company.

Mrkonic has B.A. and M.A. degrees in economics from Stanford University and an M.B.A. from the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. He is a native of Shawnee Mission, Kan., and currently lives in Chatham, N.J.

Kmart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart currently operates 2,330 Kmart stores in addition to its specialty operations.

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - TNP Enterprises, Inc. (NYSE: TNP) today announced consolidated earnings available for common stock of $7,687,362 or $0.94 per share, for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, compared to earnings of $7,652,253 or $0.94 per share, for the same period in 1989. Revenues for the period were $116,825,463 compared to revenues of $108,687,955 for the third quarter of 1989, a 7.5 percent increase.

For the 12-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, TNP reported consolidated earnings available for common stock of $15,157,038 or $1.85 per share, compared to $20,314,278 or $2.51 per share for the same period in 1989. Revenues for the 12-month period were $394,052,543 compared to revenues of

$373,992,691 for the same period in 1989.

"Our operating revenues increased 7.5 percent as a result of higher rates and increased sales of electricity," said James M. Tarpley, president and chief executive officer of the company.

TNP Enterprises is the Fort Worth-based holding company of Texas-New Mexico Power Company, an electric utility.

TNP ENTERPRISES, INC.
Actual Operating Results (Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Twelve Months	
Sept. 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Oper. revenues	$116,825,463	$108,687,955	$394,052,543	$373,992,691
Net earnings	7,974,979	7,973,977	16,405,778	21,699,448
Earnings Available for Common Stock:				
Utility opers.	7,456,320	7,339,744	14,405,103	14,709,409
Nonutility opers.	231,042	312,509	751,935	5,604,869
Consolidated earnings available for common stock	$ 7,687,362	$ 7,652,253	$ 15,157,038	$ 20,314,278
Earnings Per Share of Common Stock:				
Utility operations	$ 0.91	$ 0.90	$ 1.76	$ 1.82
Nonutility operations	0.03	0.04	0.09	0.69
Consolidated earnings per share of common stock	$ 0.94	$ 0.94	$ 1.85	$ 2.51
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	8,215,065	8,148,827	8,192,033	8,090,872

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#90309p3272 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH FALMOUTH, MA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Benthos, Inc. announced today sales of $8,168,000 for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared with sales of $8,284,000 for fiscal 1989. Net income for fiscal 1990 was $212,000 or 25 cents net income per share as compared with a net income of $487,000 or 50 cents net income per share in fiscal 1989.

Fourth quarter sales for fiscal 1990 were $2,534,000 as compared with sales of $2,033,000 for the fourth quarter of last year. Net income the fourth quarter was $130,000 or 15 cents net income per share as compared with a net income of $174,000 or 19 cents net income per share for fourth quarter of last year.

Order backlog at the end of fiscal 1990 was approximately $1.6 million as compared with $1.3 million at the end of fiscal 1989.

Benthos will hold its annual meeting of shareholders at 10 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 25, 1991.

BENTHOS
Comparative Condensed Income Statement
(audited)

	4th Quarter Ended		Fiscal Year Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$2,534,000	$2,033,000	$8,168,000	$8,284,000
Net income	$130,000	$174,000	$212,000	$487,000
Net income per share	15 cents	19 cents	25 cents	50 cents
Weighted average common & common equivalent shares outstanding	---	---	894,000(a)	976,000

Benthos, Inc. designs, manufactures, sells, and services oceanographic equipment for underwater exploration and naval defense, and electronic inspection equipment for the automated assessment of the seal integrity of consumer food and beverage packages.

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#90309p3273 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - ATOCHEM North America today announced it has completed the sale of its Thorofare, N.J., polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF) plant to Ausimont U.S.A. Inc., for an undisclosed sum, effective Oct. 31, 1990.

At the same time, ATOCHEM North America announced the purchase of an organic peroxides facility in Spinetta, Italy, belonging to Ausimont. This purchase will complement ATOCHEM's existing organic peroxides businesses, which operate facilities in Germany, France and England, as well as Crosby, Texas, and Geneseo, N.Y. ATOCHEM will also continue to produce PVDF at its two plants in Calvert City, Ky., and Pierre-Benite, France.

ATOCHEM North America Inc. a $1.5 billion diversified chemicals manufacturer headquartered in Philadelphia, was formed Dec. 31, 1989, as the result of the merger of ATOCHEM Inc., M&T Chemicals Inc. and Pennwalt Corp. ATOCHEM North America is an affiliate of ATOCHEM S.A., a $10 billion chemicals manufacturer, which is part of the ELF Group headquartered in Paris.

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#90309p3274 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) today announced plans to expand service to Japan with flights to Tokyo through its new Los Angeles gateway beginning Feb. 6, and on Feb. 7, the airline introduces new Portland, Ore., to Nagoya, Japan, flights.

Delta has selected the Tokyo-Los Angeles flight which originates and ends in Orlando, Fla., to introduce its new MD-11 aircraft. This aircraft, the world's newest international airplane, features advances in aerodynamics, propulsion, aircraft systems, cockpit avionics and interior design.

Delta's new Tokyo service will depart Orlando at 8 a.m. departing Los Angeles at 12 noon, local time, and will arrive in Tokyo at 4:35 p.m. the following day. The return flight, effective Feb. 7, 1991, will leave Tokyo at 6:35 p.m. arriving Los Angeles at 11:10 a.m. the same day and arriving in Orlando at 8:31 p.m. The Los Angeles-Tokyo segment does not operate on Tuesdays and the Tokyo-Los Angeles segment does not operate on Wednesdays.

Delta's Nagoya service will leave Los Angeles on Feb. 7, 1991, at 9:05 a.m., departing Portland at 1 p.m. and arriving in Nagoya at 4:40 p.m. the next day. The return schedule will depart Nagoya at 6:35 p.m., arriving Portland at 10:05 a.m. the same day and arriving in Los Angeles at 2:40 p.m. These schedules will be operated with L-1011-500 aircraft with economy and business class as well as sleeper seats in first class.

The flight schedules are subject to government approval and may change slightly prior to the inauguration dates.

Nagoya joins Tokyo, Seoul, Taipei and Bangkok as the fifth Asian destination served by Delta. Los Angeles becomes Delta's second Pacific gateway. The airline now serves 27 international cities throughout the world. Delta currently serves nine cities in Europe, as well as cities in Canada, Mexico, the Bahamas and Bermuda.

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#90309p3276 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
CINCINNATI (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle-Picher Industries (NYSE: EPI) today announced that negotiations between the company and attorneys appointed by Federal Judge Jack B. Weinstein of the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York to represent present and future claimants who allege injury from exposure to an asbestos-containing Eagle-Picher insulation product have reached a stage where it is expected that a settlement could be reached within the next 30

days.

Pending further negotiations toward that end, in a order issued on Nov. 3, 1990, Eagle-Picher was ordered by the court:

1) Except as noted in paragraph (3) below, to make no payments for asbestos personal injury or wrongful death claims heretofore settled and unpaid and to make no payments for such claims settled hereafter.

2) To make no payments for judgments heretofore entered in asbestos cases.

Other terms of the order provide that: 1) Eagle-Picher is permitted to make payments for asbestos claims involving extreme hardship and exigent health conditions previously settled and to pay such claims settled between the date of this order and Dec. 2, 1990.

2) Eagle-Picher is permitted to pay its expenses, disbursements, legal fees of attorneys, the fees of the Special Settlement Master, operating expenses including staff salaries and all other expenses and disbursements related to the operation of its business.

3) Execution or other enforcement of judgments against Eagle- Picher and/or its assets and any other effort to collect upon such judgments for asbestos claims for injury or death by whatever means or remedies, including judicial process or nonjudicial means, and the obtaining or enforcement of provisional remedies against Eagle-Picher or its assets is hereby stayed.

4) No court or person is stayed from proceeding with trial or any other proceedings or from negotiating settlements or, except as provided herein, from taking any action in connection with cases or claims pending or hereafter commenced.

Thomas E. Petry, Eagle-Picher chairman, said, "The company is pleased that a settlement appears to be imminent and we anticipate that once a settlement is reached, Judge Weinstein will certify the class that we requested pursuant to Rule 23(b) (1) (B) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. If the class is certified, it will consolidate all personal injury litigation against Eagle-Picher in the class action proceeding. Following certification the company expects that the judge would hold a hearing or hearings to receive comments on the settlement from all interested parties."

Weinstein's order will expire on Dec. 2, 1990 unless earlier terminated.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - British Telecom (NYSE: BTY) and MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) have agreed to plan to build a new transatlantic, high-capacity fiber optic cable to go into service during 1993 to help relieve current telecommunications capacity shortages.

The cable, presently called TAT-X, is expected to be the largest undersea cable ever constructed. It will link North America with Europe and could operate at a transmission rate as high as 2.4 gigabits per second with the capability of handling the equivalent of 150,000 simultaneous phone calls per fiber pair.

MCI and British Telecom are planning to utilize synchronous optical transmission equipment which is designed to provide sophisticated management capabilities including centralized control of circuit provisioning, maintenance testing and cable restoration.

The two companies are inviting other international telecommunications carriers to participate in the planning, construction and operation of the new cable.

"This is the first time that MCI initiated the planning of a transatlantic cable that will be built, operated and owned by a consortium of common carriers," Bert C. Roberts Jr., MCI's president and chief executive officer, said in announcing the new cable plan. "It is a step towards providing an integrated network of mutually supportive cables across the North Atlantic. We foresee cooperation and participation from all of the foreign telecommunications administrations in Europe and also carriers in the United States."

TAT-X will meet the growing demand for high quality international communications and also will provide restoration for other cables in case of service interruptions. TAT-9, the next Atlantic cable, is not expected to be operational until 1991.

British Telecommunications plc, generally known as British Telecom, is a leading world player in telecommunications. It operates one of the largest networks in the world and offers a wide range of international services. British Telcom has annual revenues of over $20 billion and employs 240,000 staff in 30 countries.

MCI Communications Corporation, with 1989 revenue of $6.5 billion, is one of the world's largest telecom companies with offices in 50 countries worldwide. Headquartered in Washington, MCI offers a full range of domestic and international communications services for residential, government and business users. International services include worldwide direct dialing, telex, facsimile, electronic mail, private voice and data networks and television transmission.

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IRVINE, CALIF. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - DVI Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: DVIC) has announced today unaudited results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

DVI FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Three Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,742,710	$5,206,924
Earnings before income taxes	605,063	316,420
Provision for income taxes	237,668	126,393
Net earnings	367,395	190,027
Net earnings per common and common equivalent share	.09	.06
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,307,854	3,131,295

DVI engages, through its wholly owned subsidiary, DVI Financial Services, Inc. primarily in the leasing and financing of medical diagnostic and therapeutic equipment, such as computerized tomography scanners, nuclear medicine systems, ultrasound imaging systems, magnetic resonance imaging systems and lithotripters.

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DURHAM, NC (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Savings and Loan Association, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HSLD), Durham, North Carolina, today reported that net income for the quarter ended September 30, 1990 was $715,353, or $.42 per share compared with $735,938 or $.43 per share for the fourth fiscal quarter in 1989. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 1990, net income was $2,440,402, or $1.44 per share as compared to $3,074,719 or $1.81 per share.

The decline in net income for the quarter was attributable to an increase in expenses associated wtih the pending merger with BB&T Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: BBTF). The drop in net income for the fiscal year was attributable mostly to an increase in reserves for possible loan losses and a $570,000 increase in the loss reserve on bonds owned by the Association that are secured by pools of mobile home loans issued by a Conner Corporation subsidiary. Return on average assets for the year was 1.01 percent and the return on average equity was 7.82 percent. Total assets at September 30, 1990 were $240.4 million and total shareholders' equity was $31.8 million.

C. Darrell DeLoatche, President and CEO of Home Savings, commented, "Excluding the loss provision on the Conner bonds and merger-related expenses, net income for the year would have been approximately 6.3 percent below last year. Considering the sluggishness of the real estate market and the environment under which we have been operating, we are pleased with the operating results of the Association. Home Savings' level of profitability continues to far exceed the majority of its peers and it is one of the best capitalized thrifts in the nation."

Home Savings and Loan Association, Inc. is headquartered in Durham, N.C., with offices in Roxboro and Chapel Hill. The approximately 1.66 million shares of common stock outstanding are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol HSLD. On April 30, 1990, Home Savings announced that it had entered into an Agreement and Plan of Reorganization to be acquired by BB&T Financial Corporation.

CONTACT: C. Darrell DeLoatche or Rex D. Williams of Home Savings and Loan Association, Inc., 919-682-9161.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - GTE Corp. (NYSE: GTE) and Contel Corp. (NYSE: CTC) today announced that they have set special shareholders' meetings of both companies for Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 10 a.m. EST to vote on the merger of the two companies. Proxy materials will be mailed to shareholders beginning today.

GTE will convene its meeting at the Italian Center in Stamford, Conn., and Contel shareholders will meet at the Manufacturer's Hanover Trust Company Building here.

At the meetings, GTE shareholders of record on Oct. 25, 1990, and Contel shareholders of record on Oct. 16, 1990, will be asked to consider and vote upon the proposed merger of the two companies whereby each holder of Contel common stock will receive 1.27 shares of GTE common stock in a tax-free exchange for each share held at the time of the merger. It will result in the largest U.S.-based telephone company and the second-largest mobile-cellular company.

In a letter to GTE shareholders included in the proxy statement, GTE Chairman and Chief Executive Officer James L. "Rocky" Johnson said, "GTE's board of directors and management believe that the proposed merger with Contel represents the perfect combination of two great companies.

"This combination offers GTE and its shareholders the opportunity to create a combined organization that will be a leader in the telecommunications industry particularly in the local-exchange and mobile-cellular businesses."

In a similar letter to Contel shareholders, Contel Chairman Charles Wohlstetter said the merger offers Contel and its shareholders many significant benefits among which is, "a tax-free exchange for shares in a company that will be financially stronger and more competitive and have greatly enhanced marketing and technological resources."

As previously announced, the merger is also subject to approvals by the Department of Justice, the Federal Communications Commission, as well as various state public utilities commissions. Both companies have made all the applications they deem are necessary to obtain these approvals and are confident that they will receive all necessary approvals.

Because of participation by third parties in California, the regulatory process will take longer than the companies originally anticipated. As a result, the companies expect that completion of the merger could occur as late as the second quarter of 1991.

CONTACT: Tony Hamilton, (203) 965-2853, or after 5 p.m., (203) 327-2162, or in Washington, Julia Spicer, (202) 463-526, or after 5 p.m., (202) 797-0715, both of GTE; or Brian Farley, (404) 391-8217, or after 5 p.m., (404) 872-3321, or Benjamin Parrish, (404) 391-8016, or after 5 p.m., (404) 458-8574, both of Contel.

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NORMAL, ILL. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Lino J. Piedra, chairman of the board of directors of Diamond-Star Motors, has been appointed to the National Advisory Commission on Work-Based Learning, it was announced today. The appointment was made by Secretary of Labor Elizabeth Dole.

The 13-member commission, made up of business, education and labor leaders, will explore methods to improve and expand training and apprenticeship programs addressing the country's shrinking work force. A part of this study will include consideration of a voluntary system to accredit industrywide training programs.

In forming the commission, Dole explained, "America faces a work force crisis. Our workforce is growing at its slowest rate in 40 years and many of the skills of our current workers are obsolete, or soon will be obsolete, due to increased technology. If American business is to succeed in our complex global market, then we must find better ways of providing our working men and women with the skills needed for a lifetime of productive work."

"Training is a primary focus at Diamond-Star," noted Piedra. "We recognize that the quality of our products ultimately is a reflection of the superior skills and commitment of our employees. I look forward to the opportunity to participate with this distinguished group on a topic which is critical to the

future of business and the well-being of our country."

Prior to joining Diamond-Star Motors in 1989, Piedra had been with Chrysler for 21 years, serving in various international positions. Assignments took him to Argentina, Mexico, Spain, the United Kingdom, Venezuela, France and Japan where he was appointed to the board of directors of Mitsubishi Motors Corporation. Piedra is a frequent speaker to international business groups and students. In November, he will address a Washington symposium, "Work Force Quality: Perspectives from United States and Japan," co-sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor and the Japanese Ministry of Labor. Diamond-Star Motors, located in Normal, Ill. is a 50-50 joint venture formed by Chrysler Corp. and Mitsubishi Motors Corp. The state-of-the- art facility produces the Plymouth Laser, Mitsubishi Eclipse and Mirage, and Eagle Talon and Summit.

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MIAMI (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Carnival Air Lines, in conjunction with Carnival's Crystal Palace Resort & Casino and Crystal Vacations, today announced it will offer non-stop jet service from Newark, Baltimore, and Washington to Nassau, The Bahamas beginning in January, 1991.

Carnival Air Lines' winter flight schedule now includes non-stop jet service from New Orleans, Richmond, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Cincinnati, West Palm Beach and Fort Lauderdale.

Carnival Air Lines' schedule for the additional cities will include Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday morning departures from Newark, and Monday and Friday morning departures from Baltimore and afternoon departures from Dulles International.

Three-, four- and seven-night stays at Carnival's Crystal Palace Resort & Casino, Nassau's most complete fun resort, will be available from Baltimore and Washington, D.C., with prices starting at $299. One- through seven-night stays at the 1,550-room luxury resort will be available from Newark, with prices starting at $199.

Carnival's Crystal Palace Resort & Casino will introduce its popular one-day round-trip "Play Day" package to travelers from Newark and Baltimore. Vacationers taking advantage of the "Play Day," which starts at $99 (taxes not included), will receive round-trip jet transportation and round-trip airport/hotel transfers.

Carnival's Crystal Palace Resort & Casino also offers its new Riviera Club all-inclusive three-, four- and seven-night packages for travelers from all

Carnival Air Lines' gateways, as well as from 24 other departure cities nationwide (via USAir, Pan American, Eastern, and Midway).

For one all-inclusive price, vacationers will receive round-trip air transportation to Nassau; ground transportation to and from the resort; special check-in service; a cool and refreshing tropical island drink upon arrival; accommodations at the Riviera Club; personalized service by Riviera Club hosts; a complete meal plan and more.

The fun resort features 13 specialty restaurants; an 8,000-square-foot luxury spa with spectacular ceiling-to-floor ocean views; a fast-paced, action-packed casino; a glittering Las Vegas-style revue offered in the resort's 800-seat Palace Theater; and an endless array of non-stop activities. For brochures, information and reservations, call Carnival's Crystal Palace Resort & Casino at 800-222-7466.

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DENVER (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - OEA Inc. (AMEX: OEA), the Denver-based, high-technology manufacturer of aerospace and automotive safety products, announced that at its Nov. 2, 1990, meeting, the board of directors declared a cash dividend of 25 cents a share, payable Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 30, 1990.

OEA is a leader in the field of propellant and explosive-actuated devices used in (1) the personnel escape systems of military aircraft, missiles, and for space application and (2) the automotive air bag.

All new aircraft, such as the F-4, F-111, F-14, F-15, F-16, F-18, B-1B, B-2, S-3A, and AH-64A, the Space Shuttle, and missiles/launchers, such as the Delta II, Titan, Harpoon, Trident, ALCM, Peacekeeper, ACM, Ariane, and SICBM, have OEA-developed and manufactured devices.

Most domestic automobiles equipped with an air bag use an initiator manufactured by OEA's Automotive Safety Products Division.

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TAMPA, FLA. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Belmac Corporation (AMEX: BLM), a Tampa-based pharmaceutical company, today announced the signing of a

"letter-of-intent" with Fluid Life Systems Inc., a California-based pharmaceutical/biotech company, for the development of a new purified oxygen-carrying fluid with potential uses as a human red blood cell subsitute and organ transplant preservation medium.

The letter-of-intent calls for the signing of a definitive licensing agreement by the two companies and is designed to merge the clinical development expertise of Belmac with the research and manufacturing capabilities of Fluid Life Systems for the ultimate goal of bringing to market the therapeutic applications of the new oxygen-transport technology.

Belmac Corporation has also recently announced its development of a new anti-malarial drug, and expects to begin marketing its first product, the transdermal anti-hemorrhoidal -- Alphanon(R), in France after receiving regulatory approval later this year.

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RALEIGH, N.C. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Texfi Industries, Inc. (NYSE: TXF) announced today that as of Oct. 29, 1990 its board of directors authorized the repurchase of up to an additional 200,000 shares of its common stock.

Since first announcing its stock repurchase program on May 23, 1988, Texfi has repurchased 790,167 shares of its common stock, or 9.8 percent based upon the total issued and outstanding shares immediately prior to the commencement of this program.

L. Terrell Sovey, Jr., chairman and CEO of Texfi, said, "We believe Texfi's common shares continue to remain undervalued and constitute an excellent investment for the company. We consider the price of the stock to have been at depressed levels for some time and do not believe it properly reflects the true value of this company."

Texfi Industries, Inc. is the business of manufacturing and marketing various textiles and apparel products. Texfi's common stock, preferred stock, and debentures are traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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DEARBORN, MICH. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - National TechTeam, Inc. (NASDAQ: TEAM)

today announced the renewal of its computer training contract with Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) for one year.

This contract provides for automatic renewal for successive one-year periods unless Ford or TechTeam provides notice of non-renewal at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the contract. The new contract became effective Nov. 1, 1990, and will cover Ford's operations in the United States, Canada and Mexico. The contract also covers computer training at Ford subsidiaries throughout North America. The subsidiaries include United States Leasing International, Inc., Ford of Canada, Associates Bancorp, and First Nationwide Bank.

Prior to 1988, National TechTeam concentrated its activities in the Detroit area, providing computer training and computer manpower to large companies and institutions. With the commencement of the Ford contract in 1988, TechTeam embarked on a program to offer these services on a national basis and now has begun to operate in 15 cities. TechTeam has recently established training and support centers in Cleveland; Newport Beach, Calif; and Northern California in order to service the Ford account and other major national corporations. Management foresees ever-increasing needs for computer training and computer manpower as more and more companies contract for these outside services.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - At a time when many United States stock brokerage and financial services firms are downsizing their operations in New York City, Probursa, one of Mexico's leading firms, has opened an office in Manhattan, the result of the growing interest in the economy south of the border by U.S. investors.

According to Jose Madariaga, the chairman of Probursa who is also the chairman of the Mexican Stock Exchange, the improved Mexican economy, the proposed U.S.-Mexican free trade agreement, privatization of banks and other government owned entities and the surge in the manufacturing sector of the economy has resulted in more U.S.-based and worldwide institutional investment in Mexico.

"As Wall Street is feeling the effects of the sluggish United States economy, leading investors are looking elsewhere to place their investment dollars. Increasingly, they are turning to the Mexican market which is no longer depending on oil exports," said Madariaga. "We anticipate that as the Mexican government takes additional steps to boost our economy, the trend of foreign investment in our country will continue."

For Probursa, which was founded in 1973, the New York City office represents the company's first foray outside Mexico where it operates 25 retail stock

brokerage offices.

"Despite the growing money centers of London and Tokyo, Manhattan remains the world financial center and was our planned first stop in our goal of becoming a truly global firm," said Edgardo Mendoza, executive vice president and head of the international area for Probursa. Mendoza said his firm will focus on institutional investment opportunities in New York City.

"Our Manhattan-based staff will rely on the fine research and back-office capabilities of our Mexico City operations," he said. "However, we are making a sizable investment in New York City because we see unlimited potential in this market. We anticipate business opportunities to increase for both Mexico and the United States with the opening of the financial system in Mexico."

Probursa has named Jose Avalos managing director and head of operations of the New York City office. Before joining the firm, Avalos was a senior executive with Citibank in Mexico City for 11 years. He most recently was head of a world corporate banking group for Mexico, responsible for credit banking services for multinational companies based in that country.

"The U.S. investor has a tremendous interest in the Mexican market. Through our new office, we hope to provide them with the necessary research and recommendations to assure profitable decisions in Mexican or U.S. instruments. In addition, we plan to structure corporate finance deals such as private placements mainly for Mexican companies to tap the foreign capital markets or multinational companies to have access to Mexico either through direct investment or the Mexican Stock Exchange," said Avalos.

CONTACT: Laura Nickerson or Stan Steinreich of MWW/Strategic Communications, (201) 342-9500, for Probursa.

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SLATE HILL, NY (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Balchem Corporation (NASDAQ: BLCC) President Herb Weiss today issued the following statement:

We had a very good third quarter, fortunately without the sharp drop in sales we had in July a year ago. Our progress is shown in the following tables:

BALCHEM CORPORATION

(Unaudited, in thousands except per share)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Percent difference
Sales	$2,728	$2,282	20
Pre-tax profit	206	24	--
Taxes	78	8	--
Net income	128	16	+100
Earnings/share	$0.11	$0.013	+100

Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Percent difference
Sales	$7,826	$6,901	13
Pre-tax profit	544	214	--
Taxes	211	87	--
Net income	333	127	+100
Earnings/share	$0.28	$0.11	+100

As noted in the previous report, the substantial increase in earnings on a much smaller increase in sales is not the result of a decrease in operating expenses. On the contrary, we are increasing personnel to handle both the increased sales and the increased opportunities.

To repeat, there are three reasons for these results: 1. Increased utilization of the Green Pond facility, which had been largely unused.

2. Most of the billing at Green Pond is on a "toll" basis, that is, the customer is billed only for a production fee since they provide the raw materials. If the billing were on the usual product basis, our sales would be higher.

3. The percentage of earnings increases rapidly as we exceed the breakeven point.

This is one of those rare times when everything seems to be progressing as planned. We continue to add accounts in all areas of our business. Good employment candidates are more readily available; we added two professionals this quarter. We are making progress with several prospects that represent significant volume at our present size. Advance orders for the fourth quarter are good and we do no expect any significant negative effect on earnings due to the international situation.

In addition, the following information was sent to the wire services on Oct. 31, 1990:

Balchem Corporation announced today that its board of directors on Friday, Oct. 19, 1990, had authorized a five for four split of common shares which provides for the issuance of one share of common stock for each four shares of stock held by a holder of record on Dec. 5, 1990, the additional shares to be delivered to the stockholders of Balchem Corporation on or about Dec. 28, 1990.

No fractional shares will be issued but in lieu thereof a cash payment will be made for the estimated value of the fractional interest. No gain or loss for federal income tax purposes will be realized with respect to the issuance of such additional shares except in respect of any fractional share interests for which cash payment is made.

Balchem Corporation's board of directors on that same date also declared a

cash dividend of $.04 per share on the pre-split shares, payable on Dec. 28, 1990 to holders of record as of Dec. 3, 1990.

CONTACT: Herb Weiss, president of Balchem, 914-355-2861.

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RICHMOND, VA. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Heilig-Meyers Company (NYSE: HMY), the Richmond-based home furnishings retailer, today reported sales results for the month of October 1990. Net sales for the month rose approximately 7.5 percent to $25.8 million as compared to $24.0 million for October 1989. Sales in stores which were open for the comparable month in the prior year decreased approximately 2.3 percent.

Net sales for the eight-month period ended October 1990 increased approximately 16.6 percent to $241.6 million compared to $207.2 million for the same period last year. Sales in stores which were open for the comparable period in the prior year increased approximately 7.5 percent.

The Company also announced that on October 23 it completed the acquisition of certain assets of six furniture stores from Holthouse Furniture Corporation of Richmond, Indiana.

Heilig-Meyers Company, a Virginia corporation, presently operates 318 stores in 12 states.

CONTACT: Roy Goodman, Treasurer and Secretary, Heilig-Meyers Company, 804-359-9171

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MAHWAH, N.J. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Jaguar Cars Inc. today reported that total unit sales for October 1990 were 1,089 compared with 1,507 during October 1989, a 27.7 percent decrease.

Sedan retail sales for the month of October 1990 were 789 units versus 1,252 in the prior year's period. XJ-S sports coupe and convertible retail sales for the month were 300 compared with 255 units in the same period last year.

Total year-to-date sales stand at 15,180, a decrease of 1.4 percent over the 15,389 units sold in the same period in 1989.

Michael H. Dale, president of Jaguar Cars Inc. said: "We feel the drop in October sales was due in large part to public uncertainty over the tax proposals for 1991 plus the continuing volatile situation in the Middle East. We are still forecasting 1990 sales equal to 1989."

Jaguar Cars Inc. is the U.S. subsidiary of Jaguar Ltd.

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LOWELL, MA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - WLT Systems, Inc. today introduced the WLT AT333C-6, the most powerful member of its PC Express product line.

Built on a 33MHz Intel i386 microprocessor, the AT333C-6 is an ideal platform for single-user power applications, including CAD/CAM, scientific databases, and computing-intensive engineering applications. As a member of the PC Express product line, the AT333C-6 also features WLT Systems' industry-leading three-year free on-site warranty service.

"With the addition of this new system, we've expanded our product line to meet the needs of a wide range of customers, from the most sophisticated power user to the first-time PC buyer," said Robert C. Lerner, general manager of WLT Systems.

"Our objective is to offer the best PC product value in the industry," Lerner said. "To meet this goal, we provide quality products that are aggressively priced and backed up with our 30-day, money-back guarantee and three years of free on-site warranty service. Plus, we ship each PC preconfigured, so all the user has to do is to unpack it, plug it in, and switch it on."

The WLT AT333C-6 standard configuration includes a 33MHz, Intel i386 microprocessor in a 6-slot chassis, 4MB of memory, 64KB of cache memory, one parallel and two serial ports, a 1.2MB or 1.44MB diskette drive, a keyboard, and MS-DOS 4.01 or 3.30.10. Priced at $2,640 for the basic system and three years of free on-site warranty service, the AT333C-6 is available immediately.

Positioned at the high end of WLT Systems' PC Express line, the AT333C-6 supports up to 16MB of 32-bit dynamic RAM. The system achieves optimal performance with its true 32-bit architecture, 64KB of cache memory, and floating point capability. The 33MHz Intel 80387 or Weitek 3167 math coprocessor can be added for extra processing power. The AT333C-6 is fully compatible with MS-DOS, OS/2, SCO(tm), XENIX and UNIX(R).

The system can be configured with a variety of high-performance IDE (Integrated Drive Electronics) hard disk drives, giving users a choice of storage volume and speed depending on the application.

WLT Systems, Inc., a wholly owned direct-response subsidiary of Wang Laboratories Inc. (AMEX: WAN), sells, services and supports WLT PC Express products in the United States. The company is headquartered in Lowell, Mass.,

with assembly and distribution facilities in Torrance, Calif. SCO is a trademark of The Santa Cruz Operation, Inc. UNIX is a registered trademark of AT&T.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - North Star Universal, Inc. (NASDAQ: NSRU) today announced results for the third-quarter and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company also said it has completed the sale of Universal/Dura-Mark Companies, Inc., and Graphics Unlimited, Inc. As a result of the sales transactions, the company has reduced its outstanding borrowings on its revolving line of credit to approximately $11.5 million as of Nov. 2, 1990.

For the third-quarter, income from continuing operations was $2.2 million, or 22 cents per share, compared with a loss of $64,000, or 1 cent per share, in 1989. Net income increased 441 percent to $2.0 million, or 20 cents per share versus $458,000, or 4 cents per share, reported last year. Third-quarter revenue grew 67 percent to $138.5 million from $82.9 million in 1989.

For the nine-month period, net income totaled $4.4 million, or 43 cents per share, compared with a loss of $833,000, or 11 cents per share, last year. Nine-month and third-quarter results for 1990 include investment income of $2.1 million, or 21 cents per share, from the sale of 315,000 shares of Michael Foods, the company's majority owned food processing and distribution company. Revenues for the first nine months of the year increased 85 percent to $418.5 million from $226.5 million in 1989.

In commenting on the results, President and CEO Miles E. Efron indicated that results for the quarter benefited from record earnings at Michael Foods, which experienced strong sales and earnings in all divisions. Efron went on to say, "Overall, North Star's non-food businesses continued their strong performance during the third quarter; revenues increased 50 percent while operating profits were relatively stable between years."

North Star Universal, Inc. owns and supervises the management of businesses engaged in computer cabling and related services, health care services, and other industries. As a parent company, North Star Universal provides resources for the companies' development and growth. North Star Universal also owns a 50.9 percent majority interest in Michael Foods, Inc. (NASDAQ: MIKL).

NORTH STAR UNIVERSAL, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Quarters Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$138,513	$82,919	$418,493	$226,483
Operating and product costs	113,161	70,202	340,415	191,211
Gross profit	25,352	12,717	78,078	35,272
Selling, administrative & general expenses	16,125	9,799	46,541	27,648
Operating profit	9,227	2,918	31,537	7,624
Other income (expense): interest expense, net	(4,184)	(1,479)	(12,119)	(3,903)
Investment income	2,093	--	2,093	--
Income from continuing operations before taxes, minority interest and equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiary	7,136	1,439	21,511	3,721
Income tax provision	2,810	1,158	9,562	2,124
Income from continuing operations before minority interest and equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiary	4,326	281	11,949	1,597
Minority interest	(2,071)	(1,489)	(7,475)	(3,778)
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiary	--	1,144	--	2,669
Income (loss) from continuing operations	2,255	(64)	4,474	488
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	(233)	522	(33)	(1,321)
Net income (loss)	$2,022	$458	$4,441	($833)
Earnings per share:				
Continuing operations	$.22	($.01)	$.43	$.02
Discontinued operations	(.02)	.05	--	(.13)
Net income (loss) per share	$.20	$.04	$.43	($.11)
Weighted average shares outstanding	9,769,000	9,771,000	9,774,000	9,778,000

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WILMINGTON, CALIF. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Vector Aeromotive Corporation (NASDAQ: VCAR) announced today that the company had successfully completed all National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) mandated tests for full

safety certification of their VECTOR W8 TwinTurbo supercar.

The U.S. government requires new passenger cars to meet, or exceed, a series of 36 safety standards. Eighteen of these standards require tests of which many are destructive in nature, such as the 30 MPH barrier crash, the roof crush, and the door impact tests.

"The VECTOR passed every test on the first try, and most of the tests were passed by a significant margin of safety," commented David Kostka, Vector Aeromotive Corporation VP of Engineering.

The company is currently entering the final stages of federal EPA emissions testing. Base price of the VECTOR W8 is currently $283,750. Order backlog exceeds 25 units.

The all-American-made aerospace engineered VECTOR W8 TwinTurbo supercar competes in the same price category with the Ferrari F40 and the Lamborghini Diablo. The powerplant is a Vector designed TwinTurbo 6 litre V-8 engine that generates over 600 horsepower, based on confirmed dynamometer tests.

Vector Aeromotive Corporation is headquartered in Wilmington, Calif., near the Port of Los Angeles.

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#90309p3313 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, N.J. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - R. Richard Ablon, chief executive officer and president of Ogden Corporation (NYSE: OG) and chairman and chief executive officer of Ogden Projects, Inc. (NYSE: OPI), has named Scott G. Mackin and Bruce W. Stone as co- presidents and chief operating officers of OPI and its subsidiaries. Both currently are members of OPI's board of directors. Ogden Corporation owns 85.6 percent of the common stock of OPI.

Mackin joined OPI in 1986 from the Philadelphia-based law firm of Schnader, Harrison, Segal & Lewis and served as vice president and general counsel before being named managing director and general counsel in 1988. Stone joined OPI in 1983 from Ogden Corporation where he had been since 1976 to become vice president and general counsel, and served as senior vice president of project implementation before being named as managing director of project implementation in 1988. Both have been extensively involved in managing project development and implementation, and acquisitions of OPI, particularly by its waste-to-energy subsidiary, Ogden Martin Systems, Inc.

Mackin and Stone will closely coordinate the management of company activities, with Mackin primarily responsible for the construction, operations, legal and

financial aspects of OPI, including its hazardous waste management subsidiary, Ogden Environmental Services. Stone will be primarily responsible for marketing, project implementation, environmental and engineering activities of the company.

"Scott and Bruce have in the past skillfully and expertly implemented the complex and precedent-setting business activities of OPI's fast growing environmental management services," said Ablon. "I have the highest confidence in their ability to continue the tradition of efficient team management which, in my view, has been the key to OPI's industry leadership in providing communities with creative solutions to address their pressing waste management problems," he added.

Ogden Projects, Inc. is the industry leader in the design, engineering, construction and operation of solid waste-to-energy facilities serving communities and counties across the country. The company currently operates 15 waste-to-energy facilities, is constructing four more and has been awarded an additional seven.

Headquartered in New York City, Ogden Corporation is a diversified services company which also has major subsidiaries engaged in energy and environmental consulting and provision of a wide range of services to the federal government.

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WAYNE, PA. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Orthopedic Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: OSII) today announced that it has acquired two orthotic and prosthetic businesses, Ortho-Care, Inc. in Arcadia and Lancaster, Calif., and Allied Limb & Brace Company, in Tulsa, Okla.

Ortho-Care is a 13-year-old company operating two patient care centers in Southern California. Allied Limb & Brace, a 20-year-old company, is the fourth largest orthotic and prosthetic practice in Tulsa. John Stonecipher, CP, and Tim Bulgarelli, CPO, principals of Ortho-Care, as well as Lloyd Beery, CP, principal of Allied, will stay on with OSI.

OSI President Jeffrey S. Levitt, commented, "The acquisitions of Ortho-Care and Allied will improve our ability to meet an increasing demand for health care services in the Southwest. The company has made 13 acquisitions in 1990, including five since the July initial public offering. With our strong balance sheet and cash position, we will continue to make strategic acquisitions to open up new markets, as well as densify and expand our coverage in existing markets."

Orthopedic rehabilitation is the fitting, design and fabrication of custom-made braces and support devices for the treatment of musculoskeletal conditions resulting from illness, injury or congenital abnormalities. Prosthetic rehabilitation is the fitting and fabrication of custom-made artificial limbs required by people who have suffered the loss of limb from vascular disease, diabetes, cancer or traumatic injuries.

OSI is the largest provider of patient care services in the orthotic and prosthetic rehabilitation industry. OSI currently provides services through 60 patient care center in 13 states.

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SOMERS, N.Y. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Pepsi-Cola Company today introduces the Winter Cool Collection, a limited-edition collector's series of package designs. The special holiday-themed graphics will be featured on Pepsi, Diet Pepsi and Caffeine Free Diet Pepsi brands and will be advertised through a special commercial to debut in mid- November.

Last summer, Pepsi revolutionized soft-drink packaging with Cool Cans, a series of four bold pop art designs for brand Pepsi. Increased can sales and overwhelmingly positive consumer feedback encouraged Pepsi to create exciting new designs for cans -- and bottles, too -- this winter season.

"Response to Cool Cans showed that consumers wanted fun, collectable package designs," said David Novak, executive vice president, marketing, Pepsi-Cola Company. "The Winter Cool Collection is Pepsi's gift to them to celebrate the season."

The Winter Cool Collection was expanded from four to seven festive designs, which include Diet Pepsi and Caffeine Free Diet Pepsi. In addition to 12-ounce cans, the designs will be featured on 16-oz. glass and 2-liter plastic bottles.

Every two weeks, beginning in early November, a new Pepsi and a new Diet Pepsi seasonal design will be introduced. A single Caffeine Free Diet Pepsi package design will be sold throughout the promotion, which will end Dec. 31. Approximately 5 billion Winter Cool Collection cans and bottles will be distributed throughout the entire U.S. and in seven countries around the world.

The Winter Cool Collection debuts November 5 in most U.S. markets with Pepsi "Tropical Santa," which features a Pepsi-toasting Santa floating on a green inflatable reindeer, and Diet and Caffeine Free Pepsi "Snowboarding Snowman," starring winter's funkiest snowman. The remaining designs to appear are Pepsi

"House" and "Winter Wonderland" and Diet Pepsi "Diet Santa" and "Penguins." The new designs feature contemporary graphics in the fun spirit of winter activities while maintaining the integrity of Pepsi's and Diet Pepsi's logos.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - North Canadian Oils Ltd. (AMEX: NCD; Toronto, Montreal: NCO) reports steady gains in asset growth, revenue, cash flow and earnings for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Oil and gas revenue, net of royalties, for the first nine months of 1990, increased 20 percent to $90.7 million due to higher production volumes and product prices. The average price received for natural gas was $1.43 per thousand cubic feet, up three percent from the 1989 average. The average price for crude oil and natural gas liquids was $21.41 per barrel, up 16 percent from the 1989 price. Investment and other income increased 23 percent to $24.6 million in the first nine months of 1990 due to higher interest rates and an increase in the average portfolio investment balance.

Cash flow from operations increased 21 percent to $66.2 million from $54.6 million, while net earnings at $20.8 million were up seven percent from the $19.3 million in 1989. Net earnings attributable to common shares increased during the nine months of 1990 by 35 percent to $13.6 million from $10.1 million after deducting preferred share dividends of $7.1 million and $9.2 million for 1990 and 1989 respectively. Net earnings per common share were $0.38 to Sept. 30, 1990, up nine percent over 1989 nine month earnings per share of $0.35.

Natural gas production increased 14 percent to average 198 million cubic feet per day in the nine month period compared to the corresponding 1989 production figure of 173 mmcfd. Crude oil and NGLs production averaged 4,906 barrels per day in 1990 versus 3,967 bpd in 1989, an increase of 24 percent.

During the first nine months of 1990, NCO added 93 billion cubic feet of natural gas and 217 thousand barrels of crude oil and NGLs, before revisions, to its proven reserves, replacing production by 141 percent on the basis of 10 mcf equaling one barrel.

NCO's capital expenditures to Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $153.6 mllion compared with $82.3 million for the same period of 1989. The 1990 capital expenditures include $48.7 million spent on exploration and development compared to $56 million in 1989. The lower amount resulted from fewer new facilities being required in 1990. The acquisition of the minority shareholder interest in Bankeno Resources Limited and Trigen Resources Corporation cost $39.9 million and $6.9 million respectively while $26.3 million was spent on the Ada,

Michigan, cogeneration facility. NCO is currently negotiating for equity partners and non-recourse financing for the Ada project. These sources are expected to provide 70 to 80 percent of the total project cost.

Norm Gish, president of NCO, commented that the company's strong performance in all areas during the first nine months of 1990, will provide a solid basis for growth in the balance of 1990 and into 1991.

North Canadian Oils Limited is a financially and technically strong, Canadian oil and gas exploration, production and marketing company. The Company's common shares are traded on the Toronto and Montreal Stock Exchanges in Canada and the American Stock Exchange in the United States.

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#90309p3320 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVINGSTON, NJ (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Joel A. Brotman has joined the Howard Savings Bank (NASDAQ: HWRD) as senior vice president in charge of the bank's recently consolidated residential mortgage operation, William P. Tuggle, III, chairman and chief executive officer, announced today.

In June, the Howard combined its residential mortgage department and its Mortgage Services of America (MSA) subsidiary, Tuggle said, as a cost control measure and to enhance the marketing of mortgage products.

"We are fortunate to have a seasoned professional like Joel Brotman on our management team," Tuggle commented. "He brings to the Howard more than 20 years experience in this important area of our business."

Brotman was previously senior vice president with the mortgage banking firm, Margaretten and Company, Inc. in Perth Amboy, N.J., where he started in 1984. At Margaretten he was responsible for product management, appraisal, loan delivery operations, underwriting and post closing functions. He also managed marketing of whole loans and product development.

Brotman began his career in 1967 as an associate with Greenbaum, Greenbaum, Rowe and Smith in Newark, N.J., moving to J.I.Kislak Organization, Newark, in 1969 as vice president and secondary marketing executive.

In 1976, he joined Kennedy Mortgage Co., Cherry Hill, N.J., where as vice president, he established, organized and managed the secondary marketing functions of the company. He went to Mortgage Guaranty Insurance Corporation (MGIC), Philadelphia, in 1981 as vice president and manager of the East Atlantic sales region, which includes New Jersey and New York.

Brotman is a governor and past chairman of the education committee of the Mortgage Bankers Association of America and a past president of the Mortgage Bankers Association of New Jersey. He earned his B.S. in economics from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, and his J.D. degree from Rutgers University Law School.

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#90309p3321 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Corroon & Black Corporation today announced the promotion of Diane Askwyth, CPCU, to vice president.

Askwyth, formerly assistant vice president and director of professional standards and risk management, is responsible for the corporation's risk management and insurance programs, as well as its professional standards programs and policies. Her promotion was announced by Richard A. Maxwell, senior vice president, marketing and professional standards.

Askwyth has more than 20 years of insurance brokerage and risk management experience. She joined Corroon & Black Corporation two years ago after spending more than 10 years with Corroon & Black Company of New York, most recently as vice president and unit manager specializing in large commercial accounts.

A graduate of Seton Hall University, she is a Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriter, has taught at the College of Insurance and serves on the board of directors of the New York chapter of the Risk and Insurance Management Society.

Corroon & Black Corporation, now an operating division of Willis Corroon plc, is headquartered in New York City. Corroon & Black is one of the world's largest full-service insurance intermediaries, providing insurance brokerage, risk management services, reinsurance brokerage, and employee benefits, compensation, and actuarial consulting to individuals, local governments, professions, business, and industry. It has offices across the United States and affiliated offices throughout the world. Willis Corroon (ADRs traded on NYSE: WCG) traces its origins to 1828, with the establishment in London of Henry Willis & Company. Its Corroon & Black division was founded in 1905 in New York City.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - WPXI-TV/Channel 11 will expand its morning news coverage, it was announced today.

Monday, Nov. 12, "Starting Today" will start one hour earlier with local news, beginning at 5 a.m. "NBC News at Sunrise" will continue at 5:30 a.m. on Channel 11.

WPXI-TV general manager John Howell made the announcement, noting, "We are bringing the community the most up-to-date information possible with this, the latest addition to our news programming."

The expansion of "Starting Today" follows a series of additions to Channel 11 News programming. WPXI-TV currently produces 25 hours of locally produced news each week, the most of any local television station in the Pittsburgh market. With the expansion of "Starting Today," Channel 11 will add an additional 2-1/2 hours each week.

News director Al Blinke says, "Our goal is to provide information for viewers when they want it. Expanding 'Starting Today' allows us to do just that, in the early morning hours when people are getting ready for their day."

Della Crews will continue to anchor "Starting Today," along with weathercaster Bill Cardille and sportscaster Dee Thompson.

In addition to "Starting Today," WPXI-TV's news programming includes the "Channel 11 Noon News," "First at 5:00," "Channel 11 News at 6:00 and 11:00," and the four-hour "Channel 11 News: Saturday Morning." WPXI-TV is the only Pittsburgh television station to offer viewers local news every hour and weather every half hour with the "24-Hour News Source" and is the only station with an established radio news network, linking its news department to radio newsrooms in a five-county area.

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NAPERVILLE, ILL. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: FMBI) today announced that it has acquired from the Resolution Trust Corp. the deposits of the Moline and East Moline, Ill., offices from Community Federal Savings Bank.

The acquisition took the form of a "clean" purchase and assumption transaction that saw approximately $26 million in core deposits assumed by First Midwest Bank, the company's approximate $302-million bank headquartered in Moline. Consideration of $1,561,000 was paid by the bank for the two offices. The former thrift offices will be operated as a branches of the bank.

"The acquisition represents a cost effective means of attaining immediate presence in important new submarkets and enhancement of our already strong market share," said Robert P. O'Meara, First Midwest Bancorp president and CEO. "Our Moline headquartered bank enjoys excellent financial performance, returning approximately 23 percent on average equity and 1.36 percent on average assets in the first nine months of 1990, and will readily assimilate the new branches."

With total assets of approximately $2.3 billion First Midwest Bancorp is one of Illinois' largest bank holding companies operating 34 banking and five trust offices in northern Illinois.

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BALTIMORE (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Nova Pharmaceutical Corporation (NASDAQ: NOVX) today reported revenues from product sales for the first time in the company's history. The company reported $9 million in third-quarter sales of the psychiatric product line it began marketing in July of this year.

Revenues for the third quarter were $12.7 million, up more than 300 percent from the $3.1 million reported for the same period in 1989. The increase in revenues was due primarily to the initiation of sales of the psychiatric product line. For the nine-month period, revenues were up 89 percent to $22.1 million, compared to $11.7 million for the same period last year.

Total expenses for the quarter were up 141 percent to $15.9 million, compared with $6.6 million for the same period in 1989. For the nine months, expenses were up 57 percent to $32.1 million, compared with $20 million for the first nine months of 1989. The increase in expenses for both periods in 1990 over 1989 resulted primarily from expenses associated with the sale of the psychiatric products as well as a $2.3 million increase in proprietary research and development expenses for the first nine months of 1990.

The reported net loss for the quarter decreased to $3.2 million, or $.12 per share, compared with $3.5 million, or $.13 per share, for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months, the loss was $10 million, or $.37 per share, compared with $8.7 million, or $.33 per share, for the first nine months of 1989. The net loss adjusted for non-cash expenses was $1.5 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $2 million in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months, the net loss adjusted for non-cash expenses was $5.1 million, compared with $4.2 million for the same period last year.

"Expenses for the third quarter of this year were partially offset by more than $1 million of operating income generated from the sale of the psychiatric

products. These expenses reflect the continued expansion of our investment in proprietary research and development as projects move from the laboratory to the clinical development stage," said Dr. Hans Mueller, Nova president and chief executive officer.

Nova Pharmaceutical Corporation, based in Baltimore, is engaged in the research and development of new drugs and drug delivery systems, with a primary focus on central nervous system disorders and pain and inflammation.

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#90309p3328 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST CALDWELL, NJ (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrimac Industries, Inc. (AMEX: MRM) today announced results for the third quarter and nine months of 1990.

For the three months ended Oct. 6, while net sales fell 2.4 percent to $4,189,307 compared to $4,292,941 for the comparable period in 1989, net income was $377,898 compared with $123,345 for 1989. Net income per share was 17 cents for the 1990 third quarter compared to six cents for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months, net sales were $10,860,460, up five percent from the $10,808,668 for 1989. Net income rose 103.5 percent to $862,411 compared to $423,751 for the nine months ended Oct. 7, 1989.

Paul Terranova, chairman and chief executive officer of Merrimac, said: "Third quarter 1990 results reaffirm management's philosophy to operate a dynamic, high technology, world class electronics business with a global customer base.

"Contrary to the persistent 'gloom and doom' news that is being declared throughout our industry, Merrimac believes that with all the 'irons it now has in the fire' its share of the business will grow profitably through the 1990s " he said.

Merrimac Industries, Inc., designs, manufactures and markets high performance mixers and passive components for telecommunications, defense, and aerospace.

MERRIMAC INDUSTRIES, INC. (Consolidated, unaudited)

Quarter ended(A)	10/6/90	10/7/90	Percent Change
Net sales	$ 4,189,307	$ 4,292,941	(2.4)
Income before taxes	557,898	183,345	204.3
Provision for income taxes	180,000	60,000	200.0
Net income	377,898	123,345	206.4
Net income per share	$.17	$.06	183.3

Weighted average common shares outstanding	2,174,915	2,238,291	

Forty weeks ended(A)	10/6/90	10/7/90	Percent Change
Net sales	$10,860,460	$10,808,668	0.5
Income before taxes	1,298,411	635,751	104.2
Provision for income taxes	436,000	212,000	105.7
Net income	862,411	423,751	103.5
Net income per share	$.39	$.19	105.3
Weighted average common shares outstanding	2,216,508	2,234,377	

(A) - Quarters: first, second and fourth quarters consist of twelve weeks each third quarter consists of sixteen weeks.

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#90309p3329 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - T. R. (Ted) Cunningham has been elected to the new position of executive vice president - Sales & Marketing of Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C), effective today.

Cunningham, 44, has been vice president - Service and Parts Operations since January 1988.

In his new position, Cunningham will have responsibility for all of the company's U.S. and Canadian sales and fleet operations and all marketing activities, Service and Parts Operations and the Pentastar Transportation Group, Inc., which includes Thrifty, Snappy and Dollar car rental companies.

He reports to Bennett E. Bidwell, chairman of Chrysler Motors, and Robert A. Lutz, president of Chrysler Motors.

Reporting to Cunningham are: E. T. (Tom) Pappert, vice president - Sales; John B. Damoose, vice president - Marketing; Harold L. Barton, general manager - Fleet Operations; and William E. Lobeck, chairman and president - Pentastar Transportation Group, Inc.

Service and Parts Operations will continue to report to Cunningham. Cunningham joined Chrysler Corporation in 1968, held a number of positions in the sales organization, then was named general manager of Import Operations in 1985.

He was named vice president - Sales and Marketing of Chrysler Canada in 1986, vice president - Dodge/Dodge Truck Marketing in 1987 and vice president of Service and Parts Operations in 1988.

Cunningham is a native of Escanaba, Mich. He holds a B.A. degree in administration from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Ill., and completed the Advanced Management Program at Harvard University. He is married and lives in Troy, Mich.

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#90309p3331 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Norstan, Inc. (NASDAQ: NRRD) announced today that it has entered into an agreement under which the company will receive $500,000 in consideration for its preferred stock investment in New Summit, Inc. (NSI). As a result, Norstan will release its security interest in the assets of NSI. The payment will be made to Norstan by a privately held Minnesota-based company. In addition, Norstan will receive certain notes and other considerations from the principal shareholder of NSI. These notes and other considerations will release the personal guarantee made by NSI's principal shareholder to Norstan at the time of the original sale of assets.

New Summit, Inc. is the company which purchased the assets of Summit Gear, Inc. from Norstan in 1987. In May of this year, Norstan was notified that NSI was in default on certain of its loan covenants with its principal lender. As a result, Norstan established a $5.85 million provision for loss in the fourth quarter of its 1990 fiscal year.

Norstan also announced that earnings for the company's second quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990, will be lower than previously expected. While the company's sales are in line with expectations, margins have been lower than anticipated due to general market conditions.

Norstan, Inc., based in Maple Grove, Minn., is a multi-product communications services company that designs, sells, installs, services and supports business telephone systems. The company has 1,200 employees in 10 states and 21 cities.

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#90309p3332 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORFOLK, VA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Norfolk Southern Corporation (NYSE: NSC) today announced a separation program for some of its clerical workers and some of those employed by its Norfolk and Western Railway subsidiary in Roanoke, Virginia. Only active clerical employees covered under a Transportation Communication Union contract who entered service prior to April 15, 1986, are eligible to participate in the program.

Employees whose applications to participate in the program are accepted will receive a one-time separation allowance of $35,000. In addition, the company will provide certain medical care coverage for employees participating in the program who will be age 55 or older at the time they are separated.

Employees have until Nov. 16, 1990, to apply for the program, which is not available to employees outside the included Roanoke seniority districts. "This program reflects Norfolk Southern's ongoing efforts to reduce the size of its work force in order to make its operations more efficient and competitive in the marketplace," said Marcellus C. Kirchner, Director-Human Resources.

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#90309p3334 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, IL (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola Inc.'s (NYSE: MOT) Radio-Telephone Systems Group has been awarded contracts to supply cellular radio telephone systems in four regions of Mexico.

In 1989 the Mexican government granted each independent consortium a 20-year license to operate a cellular radio telephone network in each of eight designated regions of the country.

Motorola has won contracts in four of these eight regions - more than any other supplier - which are operated by the following cellular consortia: Baja Celular Mexicana in the northwest with Tijuana and Ensenada; Comunicaciones Celulares de Occidente (Comcel) in the west with Guadalajara; Portatel del Sureste in the southeast with Cancun; and Telefonia Celular del Norte (Norcel) in the north with Juarez and Chihuahua. Motorola also has a minority position in Norcel.

The cellular telephone network for the city of Guadalajara, Jalisco State, went into commercial service early in August. The AMPS 800 MHz system, installed by Motorola in 58 days, is operated by the Comcel consortium, whose members include BellSouth International. Comcel is the first A band cellular operator to go into commercial service in Mexico among the eight independent regional consortia.

"Motorola is very proud to be the supplier of so many distinguished operators in these key regions of Mexico," said Bernard R. Smedley, senior vice president of Motorola Inc. and general manager of the Radio-Telephone Systems Group.

"We look forward to implementing these systems continuing their expansion and

to creating an interconnected network, with the objective of bringing cellular telephony rapidly and efficiently in all these regions of the country," added Smedley.

The four regions have a total population of about 25 million. The plan for the four consortia reflects a total investment of about $100 million for the next few years and a cumulative projection of over 70,000 subscribers, which represents approximately a 30 percent market penetration.

Motorola has been operating in Mexico for over 30 years, employing today 2,500 people in two major manufacturing facilities - in Guadalajara, Jalisco for semiconductor components and in Leon, Guanajuato for two-way radio equipment - and to over 30 service and sales offices throughout the country.

Motorola is the world's leading designer, manufacturer, and supplier of cellular systems, infrastructure equipment and subscriber products. It is also a leading provider of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets, including two-way radios, pagers, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronic equipment, computers, data communications, and information processing and handling equipment.

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MONTREAL (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Sand Technology Systems International (NASDAQ: SNDCF) today reported a record year end income of $520,455 or $0.11 per share on sales amounting to $35,824,966 as compared to July 1989 fiscal year end income of $500,714 or $0.10 per share on sales amounting to $36,725,033. Arthur G. Ritchie, Sand's chairman and CEO., stated that he felt that the future of Sand was a continuing trend in profitability.

For the fiscal year 1990 the company stressed selling, general & administration (SG&A) reductions as reflected in the expenses for fiscal 1990 at $4,940,577 or 13.8 percent compared to $5,660,136 or 15.4% of sales in fiscal 1989. SG&A expenses were reduced as a result of ongoing cost reduction efforts, despite unusual costs for professional fees.

Sand Technology Systems International markets complete large-scale IBM compatible computer systems in Canada and computer printers and sophisticated information systems products in the U.S.A. To date SAND and its affiliates have installed equipment valued in excess of $400 million.

SAND TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL INC.
Consolidated Statement of Operations
For the Years Ended July 31, 1990 and 1989

IN CANADIAN DOLLARS

	YEAR ENDED July 31 1990	1989 (Restated)
Net Sales	$ 35,824,977	$ 36,725,033
Net Income (loss) before income taxes	$ 520,455	$ 500,714
Income Taxes	$ 0	$ 0
Net Income	$ 520,455	$ 500,714
Net Income (loss) per share	$ 0.11	$ 0.10
Weighted averaged shares outstanding	4,712,928	4,747,931

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-30- 2240

#90309p3341 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILAN, ITALY (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Ausimont (a Ferruzzi-Montedison subsidiary) and Atochem North America (part of Elf-Aquitaine Group) have signed a definitive agreement regarding Atochem's fluoropolymer production facilities at Thorofare, N.J., and Ausimont's organic peroxides business at Spinetta Marengo, Italy.

Through this transaction, Ausimont acquires the Thorofare plant which produces polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF) fluoropolymers and related intermediates, which are used for architectural coatings and protection, in the electronics industry and in the chemical processing sector. Atochem North America receives Ausimont's organic peroxides business. Organic peroxides are used to harden resins in the polymerization phase and for the production of elastomers.

The finalization of this agreement follows the approval given by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) on Aug. 30 to Atochem North America's request to divest its Thorofare plant.

Under the agreement, Ausimont is also to receive the technological and marketing activities associated with the Thorofare plant.

Ausimont N.V., a Ferruzzi-Montedison company, is a multinational specialty chemicals company and a leading producer of fluorine-based chemicals. The company's principal operations are located in the United States and Italy.

The Ferruzzi Group is a leading international industrial system which operates through Montedison in the chemical, pharmaceutical and energy sectors, as well as in the agro-industrial sector, with an aggregate turnover of approximately $40 billion.

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#90309p3343 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Don L. Bolen has been appointed executive vice president with USLIFE Insurance Services Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of USLIFE Corporation (NYSE: USH). The announcement was made today by Jerry J. Wakefield, president and chief executive officer of USLIFE Insurance Services.

In his position, Bolen will be responsible for the day to day operations of USLIFE Insurance Services which provides a variety of policyholder and administrative services for the ordinary life insurance subsidiaries of USLIFE Corporation.

Don L. Bolen began his life insurance career in 1961 as an agent with Allstate Insurance Company. In 1969, he was promoted to regional sales manager and, then in 1977, to zone sales manager. In 1978, he was named assistant vice president-marketing at that company's headquarters in Northbrook, Ill.

Most recently, from 1983 to 1990, he was president of the Zale Insurance Group in Dallas, an organization comprised of three life insurance companies, two property and casualty companies, and an advisory/replacement services division.

Bolen is a graduate of Kansas State University where he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in marketing/business in 1956.

Bolen and his wife, Jan, reside in Frisco, Texas.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR) today reported its financial results for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had broadcast revenue of $23,985,000, up 6.8 percent over the $22,450,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Broadcast cash flow (profit from broadcast operations before depreciation, amortization, corporate expenses, interest expense and income taxes) for the third quarter of 1990 totaled $6,226,000, up 19.5 percent over the $5,209,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

The company had a loss before extraordinary item for the third quarter of 1990 of $2,843,000 or $.30 per common share, as compared to a loss before extraordinary item of $1,846,000, or $.29 per common share for the same period in 1989.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had broadcast revenue of $67,196,000, up 6.1 percent over the $63,317,000 for the nine-month period of 1989. Broadcast cash flow for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $14,195,000, an increase of 19.5 percent over the $11,888,000 for the same nine-month period of 1989. Larger non-cash charges resulting from the amortization of a non-compete agreement and an increase in interest expense caused by the larger amount of outstanding long-term debt led to a larger loss before extraordinary item for 1990 than for 1989. The loss per common share before extraordinary item for the first nine months of 1990 was $1.11 per share compared to a loss of $1.14 per share for the 1989 period.

Terry S. Jacobs, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Jacor, explained, "Jacor's revenue growth and effective cost controls have allowed us to realize an excellent rebound of broadcast and operating cash flow. The softness in advertising during 1990 has affected all media businesses but radio has performed better than print or television thus far. We are pleased with Jacor's operating performance in this environment, and we intend to continue our efforts to control costs and increase revenues. The company's radio stations continue to enjoy excellent ratings success which should help us sustain revenue growth at our stations during the fourth quarter of 1990."

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, currently owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

JACOR COMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
For the three months and nine months
ended September 30, 1990 and 1989
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three months ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Broadcast revenue	$23,985	$22,450
Less, agency commissions	2,632	2,442
Net revenue	21,353	20,008
Broadcast operating expenses	15,127	14,799
Broadcast cash flow	6,226	5,209
Broadcast depreciation and amortization	2,660	2,428
Broadcast operating income	3,566	2,781
Corporate general and administrative		

expenses	713	859
Operating income	2,853	1,922
Interest expense	(4,523)	(4,099)
Loss on sale of representation firm	(518)	---
Interest income	151	167
Other income (expense), net	(806)	164
Loss before extraordinary item	(2,843)	(1,846)
Extraordinary item	---	---
Net loss	(2,843)	(1,846)
Preferred stock dividend and redemption premium requirements	(134)	(219)
Accretion of increased redemption value of redeemable common stock warrants	---	(831)
Loss applicable to common shares	$(2,977)	$(2,896)
Loss per common share:		
Before extraordinary item	$(.30)	$(.29)
Extraordinary item	---	---
Net loss per common share	$(.30)	$(.29)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	9,983	9,948

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Broadcast revenue	$67,196	$63,317
Less, agency commissions	7,266	6,996
Net revenue	59,930	56,321
Broadcast operating expenses	45,735	44,433
Broadcast cash flow	14,195	11,888
Broadcast depreciation and amortization	8,140	6,759
Broadcast operating income	6,055	5,129
Corporate general and administrative expenses	2,269	2,847
Operating income	3,786	2,282
Interest expense	(13,346)	(10,924)
Loss on sale of representation firm	(518)	---
Interest income	427	322
Other income (expense), net	(862)	27
Loss before extraordinary item	(10,513)	(8,293)
Extraordinary item	---	(4,387)
Net loss	(10,513)	(12,680)
Preferred stock dividend and redemption premium requirements	(403)	(991)
Accretion of increased redemption value of redeemable common stock warrants	(180)	(2,008)

Loss applicable to common shares	$(11,096)	$(15,679)
Loss per common share:		
Before extraordinary item	$(1.11)	$(1.14)
Extraordinary item	---	(.44)
Net loss per common share	$(1.11)	$(1.58)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	9,976	9,930

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Rockefeller Center Properties, Inc. (RCPI) (NYSE: RCP) announced today net income for the third quarter of 1990 of $9,534,000, or 26 cents per share, on revenues of $31,176,000. For the same period in 1989, the company reported net income of $10,882,000, or 29 cents per share, on revenues of $31,756,000.

Income before extraordinary item for the third quarter of 1990 was $9,536,000, or 26 cents per share, compared to 29 cents per share for the same period in 1989. RCPI stated that the decline in earnings, which was principally due to increased interest expense and decreased revenue from portfolio investments, was anticipated and is reflective of its capital structure.

ROCKEFELLER CENTER PROPERTIES, INC.

Quarter ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$31,176,000	$31,756,000
Income before extraordinary item	9,536,000	10,882,000
Extraordinary loss	(2,000)	--
Net income	9,534,000	10,882,000
Net income per share	0.26	0.29
Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	92,489,000	94,215,000
Income before extraordinary item	28,422,000	31,233,000
Extraordinary loss	(463,000)	--
Net income	27,959,000	31,233,000
Income per share before extraordinary item	0.76	0.83
Extraordinary loss per share	(0.01)	--
Net income per share	0.75	0.83

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GAITHERSBURG, MD. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Penril Corp. (AMEX: PNL) today announced that Penril DataComm has signed a contract with US Sprint Communications Company to supply Penril's V.32 transmission products for use in the Public Data Network (PDN) operated by US Sprint.

The five-year contract does not provide for specific unit quantities; however, a Penril spokesperson said, "The supply arrangement is significant to Penril in both revenues and the recognition of our DSP technologies." US Sprint will use the products internally to the PDN, as well as offer the products for resale to their customers.

Penril Corp. manufactures data communications equipment and test and measurement instruments.

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#90309p3350 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
FARMINGTON, N.M. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesa Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ: MESA) today released its traffic figures for October. The airline carried 78,996 passengers in October which is a 90 percent increase over October 1989. Revenue passenger miles increased 121 percent to 16,534,000 and available seat miles were up 110 percent to 34,672,000 as compared to the same time period last year. Load factors also increased to 47.7 percent from 45.3 percent in October of 1989. This is the 19th consecutive month of traffic increases for the air carrier.

"This October we completed our first decade as a scheduled air carrier," said airline president Larry Risley. "On Oct. 12, 1980, Mesa had its first flight between Albuquerque and Farmington in a five-seat Piper Saratoga, a single-engine aircraft. When you compare that to the 41 aircraft we have today, the largest carrying 30 passengers, it gives an idea of how far we've come."

Mesa Airlines operates as an independent carrier out of its Albuquerque and Phoenix hubs and as a United Express carrier out of its Denver hub. Skyway Airlines, a wholly owned subsidiary, operates as a code-share with Midwest Express Airlines out of its Milwaukee hub.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) has named R. Paul Carey to the newly created position of general manager-route optimization.

Carey, who reports to Donald A. Swanson, senior vice president- pperations, will focus on Conrail's efforts to improve utilization of the company's physical plant, including the effective use or ultimate disposition of track, yards and sidings.

Carey joined Conrail in 1979 and has since held key supervisory positions in the mechanical and operating departments, most recently as general manager of Conrail's Albany Division, based in Selkirk, N.Y. Carey holds a bachelor of arts degree from Colgate University, Hamilton, N.Y., and has attended the Graduate School of Business Administration at Boston University.

In other system appointments, based at corporate headquarters in Philadelphia, Gary M. Spiegel was promoted to general superintendent- transportation, and William J. Egan was promoted to general superintendent-road foreman and training. Division operating appointments were also announced.

Spiegel is responsible for analyzing, supervising and directing all aspects of freight train performance and operations, and for effective utilization, distribution and control of freight locomotives across the rail system. He began his railroad career in 1970 with the Erie Lackawanna Railroad, a Conrail predecessor, and has served in various operating positions, most recently as assistant general manager- Harrisburg Division.

In his new position, Egan is Conrail's highest-ranking locomotive engineer, responsible for train handling procedures and the training of locomotive engineers on a systemwide basis. Egan began his railroad career in 1967 with the Pennsylvania Railroad. With Conrail, Egan has held a number of road foreman positions across the system.

Conrail operates a rail freight service network in 14 Northeastern and Midwestern states, the District of Columbia, and the Province of Quebec.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) has named Baxter D. Wellmon assistant vice president- continuous quality improvement.

Wellmon, who reports to Dr. John M. Samuels, vice president- continuous quality improvement, will assist Conrail departments in their benchmarking efforts as part of the company's newly implemented continuous quality

improvement process.

"Conrail is committed to a long-term continuous quality improvement process in every function of its operations," said James A. Hagen, Conrail's chairman, president and chief executive officer. "Baxter Wellmon has been involved in the development of this process and his appointment demonstrates our commitment to meet or exceed expectations in all dealings with our customers on an ever-improving basis."

Wellmon is the author of a book on continuous quality improvement, "Surviving the 90's and Winning," published by Air Academy Press, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Wellmon began his railroad career in 1967 with the New York Central, a Conrail predecessor. With Conrail he has held various positions in finance, cash management and customer service, including, most recently, general manager-stations.

Prior to Conrail, Wellmon served in financial planning and budget positions with the United States Railway Association (USRA) and was a member of USRA's Conrail Activation Task Force.

Wellmon was graduated from Gannon College, Erie, Pa., and holds a master of business administration degree from Temple University, Philadelphia.

Conrail operates a rail freight service network in 14 Northeastern and Midwestern states, the District of Columbia and the Province of Quebec.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) has named Paul T. Jones Jr. manager-minority vendor program.

In his new position, Jones is responsible for expanding the number of minority and women-owned businesses qualified to provide goods and services to Conrail. Jones reports to Jeremy T. Whatmough, vice president-materials & purchasing.

Conrail's minority vendor program encourages minority and women- owned businesses to supply a wide variety of goods and services used by the railroad including materials used in railroad operations, financial services and outside legal counsel. In 1989, Conrail purchased more than $96 million in goods and services from 329 minority and women-owned businesses, representing more than 13 percent of Conrail's total purchases for the year. Conrail also had deposits and other transactions valued at more than $113 million with minority-owned banks at the close of 1989.

In addition to its own programs, Conrail encourages minority business development by supporting the New-Penn-Del Minority Supplier Resource Council, a Philadelphia-area non-profit organization of about 150 locally-based corporations and 500 minority business enterprises. The council honored Conrail in 1988 as its "Corporation of the Year."

Since 1981, Conrail's program also has been recognized by the New York/New Jersey Regional Minority Purchasing Council, the National Bar Association, the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, the U.S. Small Business Administration and the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Jones, a native of Essington, Pa., holds a bachelor of science degree from Drexel University, Philadelphia. Since 1979, he has held various purchasing positions at Conrail, most recently, manager-asset Sales. He succeeds Walter R. Livingston III, who was named a member of Conrail's Quality Council, which is involved in the implementation of a continuous quality improvement initiative.

Conrail operates a rail freight service network in 14 Northeastern and Midwestern states, the District of Columbia and the Province of Quebec.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Pitt-Des Moines Inc. (AMEX: PDM) (PDM) has previously reported, and disclosed in its financial statements for 1989 and several previous years, various claims by Washington Public Power Supply System (WPPSS) in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Washington concerning retrofit work performed by PDM at Nuclear Unit No. 2, Hanford, Wash.

As also previously reported, on Mar. 29, 1989, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit affirmed the judgment of the district court that PDM was not liable for breach of warranties. However, the Ninth Circuit remanded the case to the district court for a determination of whether WPPSS had released its claims against PDM for breach of contract.

While that determination has not yet been made, on Oct. 20, 1990, the district court granted PDM partial summary judgment eliminating PDM's liability for any consequential damages and limiting any damages recoverable against PDM to claims for the direct costs of repairing or replacing defective or nonconforming hardware.

WPPSS may prevail upon the district court to vacate or amend the Oct. 20, 1990 order and WPPSS may also appeal to the U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. If the Oct. 20, 1990 order is ultimately affirmed (as to which there is no

assurance and no prediction can be made), then it could have the effect of substantially reducing the potential financial exposure of the company for any claims that WPPSS may be allowed to pursue.

Pitt-Des Moines Inc. and its subsidiaries operate four basic business units: Standard Products, Technology Products and Services, Steel Construction and Service Centers. PDM(R) provides a wide range of custom engineered products, structures and facilities for commercial, industrial, municipal and governmental customers in addition to processing and distributing a general line of carbon steel products.

The court's Oct. 20, 1990, order denied PDM's alternative motion for summary judgement which sought to limit WPPSS' claims to warranty remedies.

PDM has facilities in the following locations: Atlanta; Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Chicago; Columbus, Ohio; Costa Mesa, Calif.; Des Moines, Iowa; Fresno, Calif.; Fullerton, Calif.; Houston; Morristown, N.J.; Pittsburgh; Sacramento, Calif.; Santa Clara, Calif.; Spanish Fork, Utah; Sparks, Nev.; Stockton, Calif.; Tenio Wash.; and Tualatin, Ore.

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BOULDER, COLO. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Cell Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: CELL), the Colorado-based biotechnology firm specializing in the development of biologic response modifier (BRM) technology, today presented interim data from its current Phase II (dose optimization) clinical trial of its anti-cancer BRM application, ImuVert, at "Cancer in the Nervous System," the 34th annual Clinical Conference and 23rd annual Special Pathology Program sponsored by the M.D. Anderson (University of Texas) Cancer Center in Houston. The company announced that ImuVert has shown encouraging results in the treatment of recurrent and refractory malignant astrocytomas and its intent to initiate a pivotal clinical trial to further evaluate ImuVert preparatory to filing a Product License Application (PLA) with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

The presentation was made by Kurt Jaeckle, M.D., of the University of Utah Health Sciences Center's Department of Neurology, Dr. Jaeckle had previously conducted the company's pilot Phase II clinical trial of ImuVert in refractory brain tumors. Those results were published this past August in the Journal of Clinical Oncology.

The results of that study included two complete responses, one minor response, and four stable patients in a population of 19 patients with grade 3 and 4 astrocytomas which had been recurrent from, or refractory to, previous therapy. Three of those patients are currently alive more than three and one half years from the date they entered the study. "These results are

particularly encouraging," stated Jaeckle, "inasmuch as the expected survival for patients who have failed conventional therapy is less than 26 weeks."

The interim data presented today concerns a study of 113 patients being conducted at 11 U.S. clinical centers and suggest that therapeutic responses may be achieved with acceptable toxicity. The data also suggest that patients who demonstrate a complete or partial response or a disease stabilization when treated with ImuVert have longer than expected survivals. Furthermore, the interim data corroborate the results demonstrated in the earlier-reported Phase II pilot trial by Jaeckle.

As a result, the company and its clinical investigators believe that the data are supportive of further clinical investigation of ImuVert in the treatment of brain tumors. To this end, the company may initiate a pivotal Phase III clinical trial preparatory to filing a PLA for ImuVert.

Commenting upon the findings presented at this conference, W. Terrance Schreier, chairman, president and CEO of the company, noted, "We are pleased and encouraged by the findings reported by the investigators at this conference. We believe that the work completed in the University of Utah Phase II pilot program has now been reconfirmed in several sites and that the drug should move into Phase III clinical testing. We anticipate meeting with officials of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to review our results in detail and to suggest our ongoing clinical strategies in the development of this drug."

Cell Technology, Inc. is a biotechnology company specializing in the field of immunotherapy. The company's innovative BRM products are being developed to activate the body's own immune response to fight cancer, viral infections, and to act as a general immunomodulating agent.

CONTACT: W. Terrance Schreier, chairman, president and CEO, or Michael J. Andrews, Ph.D., vice president-clinical and regulatory affairs, or William H. Critchfield, vice president-finance and CFO of Cell Technology, 303-443-8155

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HOUSTON (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Conquest Exploration Company (AMEX: CQX) announced today that it received from Forest Oil Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: FOIL) late Friday afternoon, Nov. 2, 1990, an unsolicited bona fide offer to acquire Conquest. The offer contemplates that a wholly-owned subsidiary of Forest would merge with and into Conquest. As previously announced, on Oct. 21 1990 Conquest executed a definitive merger agreement with American Exploration Company (AMEX: AX).

In the merger proposed by Forest, each share of Conquest common stock would be converted into the right to receive 0.20 shares of Forest common stock. If,

however, a holder of Conquest common stock would receive less than $2.00 in market value of Forest common stock for each share of Conquest common stock (based on the average of the closing prices of Forest common stock on specified days prior to the completion of the merger), then Forest would at its option either issue additional shares of Forest common stock having a market value, or pay cash in an amount, equal to the lesser of (A) $0.20 or (B) the difference between $2.00 and the market value of 0.20 shares of Forest common stock. In addition, if a holder of Conquest common stock would receive more than $2.20 in market value of Forest common stock, then the conversion ratio would be downwardly adjusted, without limit, to maintain the market value to be received for a share of Conquest common stock at $2.20. The closing price of Forest common stock on Nov. 2, 1990 was $9.25.

The Forest offer also contemplates that the Conquest preferred stock currently held by The Dyson-Kissner-Moran Corporation (DKM) would be purchased for cash equal to its liquidation value of $23.75 million, plus accrued dividends.

Forest also offered to enter into a stock purchase agreement with DKM substantially identical to the stock purchase agreement that DKM entered into with American.

The merger proposed by Forest would be subject to approval by the shareholders of Conquest and Forest and the satisfaction of customary conditions substantially the same as those contained in the American merger agreement.

Forest's offer expires at 5:30 p.m. Houston time, Nov. 11, 1990. As previously announced, the American merger agreement provides that each share of Conquest common stock will be converted, in accordance with the election made or deemed to have been made by the holder thereof, into the right to receive either 0.44 shares of American common stock or $1.90 in cash without interest, provided that (subject to certain adjustments) approximately 88 percent of the aggregate shares of Conquest common stock will be required to receive shares of American common stock and approximately 12 percent of the aggregate shares of Conquest common stock will be required to receive cash. The agreement between American and DKM provides for the purchase by American of all outstanding shares of Conquest preferred stock for $21 million plus accrued dividends. The closing price of American common stock on Nov. 2, 1990 was $3.625.

The American merger agreement permits Conquest to terminate the agreement if Conquest receives an unsolicited bona fide offer which the Conquest board of directors determines, after consultation with its financial advisors, is likely to result in a transaction more favorable to the holders of Conquest common stock from a financial point of view than the American transaction. If the merger agreement is so terminated, Conquest will be obligated to pay American immediately $2 million.

The Conquest board of directors has authorized its chairman, legal counsel and

financial advisors to carefully analyze Forest and its offer and to report back to the board of directors as soon as practicable.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Gibson Greetings, Inc. (NASDAQ: GIBG) today announced record revenues for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $145.6 million, up 9.6 percent, while income before income taxes was $20.2 million, down 13.4 percent from the comparable period last year. Net income was $12.7 million, down 16.5 percent, while net income per share was $.80 versus $.97, down 17.5 percent from the like period last year. Results for the third quarter of 1989 included the reversal of a tax penalty, previously recorded in 1987 and 1988, of approximately $3.1 million pretax and related interest expense which combined represented $.26 per share. Excluding the nonrecurring reversal, recorded in the third quarter of 1989, net income per share would have increased from $.71 to $.80 or 12.7 percent. The effective tax rate was 37.0 percent versus 34.7 percent for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $306.1 million, up 14.2 percent, while income before income taxes was $33.4 million, down 8.2 percent from the comparable period last year. Net income was $20.9 million, down 12.6 percent, while net income per share was $1.32, down 13.2 percent from the like period last year. Excluding the nonrecurring reversal of the tax penalty and related interest of $5.4 million pretax, or $.28 per share, recorded in the first nine months of 1989, net income per share would have increased from $1.24 to $1.32 or 6.5 percent. The effective tax rate was 37.5 percent versus 34.3 percent for the first nine months of 1989.

Results for the first nine months of 1990 include a second quarter pretax charge related to accounts receivable of approximately $2.4 million or $.09 per share, principally attributable to the bankruptcy of Ames Department Stores. Excluding this charge and the nonrecurring gain in the third quarter of 1989, net income per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, would have been $1.41 versus $1.24 in the prior year, up 13.7 percent.

Benjamin J. Sottile, chairman, president and chief executive officer, stated that gains in revenues for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 were principally attributable to increased sales of seasonal and everyday cards to existing accounts and lower return rates for certain seasonal card products. He stated that sales of seasonal Cleo brand gift wrap products also increased but at lower rates than anticipated. Growth in sales of certain related products such as paper party goods, candles and calendars were

particularly strong.

Sottile added that income before income taxes for the third quarter and nine months benefitted from increased revenues and lower cost of products sold ratios offset by higher operating expense ratios and interest expense.

Stockholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990 was $243.4 million, up 17.3 percent from the comparable 1989 period, while long-term debt was $25.8 million, up $11.8 million from the year ago quarter end. The increase in long-term debt resulted from the issuance of bonds in late 1989 to construct a new manufacturing/distribution facility in Memphis, Tenn. Reflecting the high degree of sales seasonality, short-term debt at Sept. 30, 1990 was $118.2 million, versus $68.2 million at the like date last year.

GIBSON GREETINGS, INC.
SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT DATA
(In thousands, except per share amounts - unaudited)

	Three Months(A) Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$145,606	$132,867
Income Before Income Taxes	20,183	23,311
Net Income	12,723	15,229
Net Income Per Share	$.80	$.97
Average Common Shares and Equivalents Outstanding	15,833	15,808

	Nine Months(A) Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$306,053	$267,899
Income Before Income Taxes	33,433	36,438
Net Income	20,905	23,926
Net Income Per Share	$1.32	$1.52
Average Common Shares and Equivalents Outstanding	15,833	15,770

(A) -- Because the company's business is seasonal in nature, the results of interim periods are not necessarily indicative of yearly results.

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TROY, MICH. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - OIS Optical Imaging Systems, Inc. (OTC: OVON) ("OIS") announced today that it has reached an agreement with William Manning ("Manning") to convert a $3.0 million short-term loan to 10-percent

convertible notes due April 1999, with the right to purchase a warrant for 1,500,000 additional shares.

The $3.0 million loan was granted to OIS by Manning on March 30, 1990, for a period of four months and was subsequently extended.

OIS develops flat panel electronic displays and electronic imaging and scanning systems. Currently, OIS is focusing its proprietary display technology on avionic and military applications in order to become a leading U.S.-based manufacturer of flat panel displays.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Research Inc. (NYSE: CYR) today introduces new disk drives to complement the performance of the new CRAY Y-MP2E supercomputer. The disk drives, known as DD-60 and DD-61, use highly reliable eight-inch disk technology to offer customers access to large amounts of data with two performance options and reduced requirements for floor space, power, and cooling. The DD-60 and DD-61, which will be supported by version 6.1 of the UNICOS operating system will be available in the second quarter of 1991.

The DD-60 is a 24-million-byte-per-second (Mbyte/sec) disk drive with a sustained transfer rate of 16-20 Mbytes/sec, which is twice as fast as previous Cray Research disk products. Its formatted data capacity is 1.96 billion bytes (Gbytes).

The DD-61 disk drive offers larger storage capacity and lower price than the DD-60 disk drive. It is a 3-Mbyte/sec disk drive with a sustained data transfer rate of 2.3 to 2.6 Mbytes/sec. Its formatted storage capacity is 2.23 Gbytes.

Both the DD-60 and DD-61 can be configured to allow up to eight disk drives to be connected to a single disk channel. A fully configured CRAY Y-MP2E system can support over 400 Gbytes of DD-60 or DD-61 storage.

The new disk drives also complement the file server features recently introduced by Cray Research. The file server, known as the UNICOS Storage System, is a high-performance network storage management system that provides high-speed access to large numbers of files on a variety of storage media. With the introduction of the DD-60 and DD-61 disk drives, the UNICOS Storage System can be supported by large high- speed data storage, which can be combined with the automated off-line storage to provide total system data capacity of over 19 trillion bytes.

The new disk drive consumes less power than previous models, and are equipped with dual 50/60 hertz power supplies to accommodate most standard power sources. Floor space requirements are reduced significantly with a new disk cabinet design that contains up to eight disk drives and the elimination of a separate disk controller cabinet.

Cray Research, Inc. designs, manufactures, markets, and supports large-scale, high-speed computer systems for scientific and engineering applications.

UNICOS is a registered trademark of Cray Research, Inc. UNIX is a registered trademark of UNIX System Laboratories, Inc.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Enron Corp. (NYSE: ENE) announced today that Teesside Power Company, Ltd., a partnership operated by Enron, has received the final permission required to construct and operate a 1,725 megawatt combined heat and power combined cycle gas turbine power station at Wilton, on Teesside in the United Kingdom.

The consent to construct and operate the power project was granted today by John Wakeham, secretary of state of energy in the United Kingdom.

The project is the first power station, and also the largest, proposed by an independent generator to be given the energy secretary's consent under the 1989 Electricity Act.

"We are delighted to receive this permission to construct the plant at Teesside under the government's privatization effort," said John B. Wing, chairman of Enron Power Corp. and Enron Europe, Ltd. "This marks the beginning of the construction of the plant, which Wimpey Construction Company actually started today, on receipt of this permission. The completed plant will deliver its first electricity to the national grid in April 1993."

In addition to its employment impact in the region, including the impact of the associated gas terminal and pipeline projects, the Teesside project will improve the environment and deliver electricity at a very competitive price, Wing said.

"We appreciate the cooperative spirit and commitment to privatization shown by the staff of the secretary of state of energy," Wing said. "We also admire and respect the dedication and community spirit of the local community environmental groups and planning councils we have worked with in this approval process. We look forward to working with them in the future in an

effort to be a model corporate citizen in the United Kingdom."

Enron also announced that the final negotiations are proceeding on the financing for the Teesside project. A consortium of international banks has been selected to underwrite the financing which will be non- recourse and off-balance sheet to the project owners.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlas Consolidated Mining & Development Corporation (AMEX: ACMB) has reached an agreement with its bank lenders to restructure its foreign currency loans, it was announced today.

In a restructuring agreement signed in Hong Kong Oct. 31, 1990, Atlas agreed to repay US$46.1 million at a predetermined discount and to restructure the balance of US$115.7 million of foreign bank loans. Atlas will utilize the proceeds of the US$30 million loan it obtained recently from Mitsubishi Metal Corporation for the repayment. The restructuring will generate US$16.1 million in gross revenues arising from the discount on the loans obtained from the banks.

The restructured amount has been divided into two tranches. Tranche A will be for an amount of US$46.1 million, which will be repaid over three years inclusive of a grace period of 1-1/2 years. Tranche B covers the balance, which will be repaid over seven years inclusive of a grace period of three years. Both tranches will bear an interest rate equivalent to the London Interbank Offer Rate plus a margin of 1-1/2 percent to 2 percent per annum. Atlas has obtained the leaders' commitment to permit it to repay Tranche A at a pre-agreed discount. Once effected, the restructuring is expected to improve Atlas' financial ratios and reduce its annual debt service payments. Atlas also plans to raise additional funds from a stock rights offering when market conditions will allow it.

Financial advisers for the restructuring consisted of AB Capital Corporation, the Asian Oceanic Group, and Citicorp International Limited. The agent for the lenders under the restructuring agreement is the Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A. while the trustee under the mortgage trust indenture is the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

CONTACT: A.C. Campo, U.S. representative for Atlas Consolidated Mining & Development, 201-241-6462, or Jim Yang, attorney, of Sullivan & Cromwell, 212-558-4009, U.S. counsel for Atlas Consolidated Mining &

Development

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#90309p3374 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
EL SEGUNDO, CA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Pursuant to authority previously granted by the board of directors of Wyle Laboratories (NYSE: WYL), Stanley A. Wainer, chairman of the board, today announced a plan to purchase from time to time in the open market, or through negotiated purchases, up to 1,000,000 shares of the corporation's common stock. A total of 9,766,000 shares of common stock is currently outstanding.

The shares acquired will become authorized but unissued shares and would be available for various corporate purposes. The funds required for the stock purchases will be provided out of working capital and bank borrowings. No time limit was set for the completion of the program.

Wainer said: "We believe that the current market price of Wyle's common stock does not accurately reflect the underlying value of the outstanding shares. Accordingly, we believe the reactivation of our share repurchase program represents a sound investment of company resources."

Wyle Laboratories is one of the nation's leading marketers of high-technology electronic components and computer systems. The company is also a major supplier of research, engineering and testing services to the aerospace, defense and energy industries.

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Wyle Laboratories

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#90309p3375 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Calprop Corp. (AMEX: CPP), a California homebuilder, reported today that its board of directors voted to suspend issuance of dividends for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1990. Victor Zaccaglin, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "In light of the depressed market for all real estate company stocks and the slowdown in the California housing market, we believe it would be counter-productive to issue a stock dividend at this time."

Building and marketing homes for over 28 years, Calprop is a conservatively managed company providing architecturally award winning, quality homes in some of the state's most desirable communities in the San Francisco Bay Area, the greater Los Angeles region and the Inland Empire of Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

CONTACT: Scott Barnes of Calprop, 213-306-4314; or Nick Farina, 312-266-7800;

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ORANGE, CALIF. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - West Coast Bancorp (NASDAQ: WCBC), a California regional multi-bank holding company, today reported a loss for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $904,000 or 10 cents per share, compared to earnings of $761,000 or 8 cents per share in 1989. For the nine months, the company reported a loss of $197,000, or 2 cents per share, compared to earnings of $1.4 million, or 15 cents per share, in the same period last year.

John B. Joseph, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The third quarter loss resulted from the addition of $3.6 million to the provision for loan losses including $2.1 million at our non-bank subsidiary, West Coast Realty Finance, which discontinued its operations in April 1990. The provision was increased due to charge-offs of $3 million, including $1.4 million reported in August 1990 at West Coast Realty Finance, and to increase loan loss reserves in response to a weaker economy. West Coast Bancorp was profitable in both the first and second quarters of this year. We believe we can regain profitability in the fourth quarter and report a small profit for the full year."

Financial Performance Net interest income at $6.8 million remained flat for the three months compared to the prior year and increased 4.6 percent to $20.6 million for the nine months. Non-interest income for the quarter of $1 million was down from $1.6 million in 1989 and declined to $3 million from $3.8 million for the nine months due to the discontinuation of loan origination and servicing activities at West Coast Realty Finance. Also, the third quarter of 1989 included a non-recurring gain on the sale of a fixed asset of $553,000.

Non-interest expense declined 5.7 percent for the three months to $5.8 million and increased 3.5 percent to $18 million for the nine months. Non-interest expense as a percentage of average assets declined in 1990 over 1989 for the three and the nine month periods.

West Coast Bancorp operates three subsidiaries in two of California's fastest growing areas: Sunwest Bank and Heritage Thrift & Loan Association in Orange County; and Sacramento First National Bank in Sacramento County. Established as a bank holding company in 1984, with approximately $40 million in assets, the company has grown to over $470 million in assets today. West Coast Bancorp trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the Symbol WCBC.

CONTACT: Frank E. Smith of West Coast Bancorp, 714-921-9401; Nick Farina, 312-266-7800; Lise Needham, 415-986-1591; and Kathy Phelan, 212- 661-8030; all

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - On Oct. 30, 1990 directors of McDonald & Company Investments, Inc. (NYSE: MDD) approved the continuation of an open market repurchase program. The program, which expires July 30, 1991, allows the company to purchase up to 500,000 shares of its common stock.

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APPLIED DNA SYSTEMS' SUBSIDIARY RECEIVES $320,000 R&D GRANT APPROVAL BY RIPSAT

WARWICK, RI (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Applied DNA Systems, Inc. (the company) today announced that the Rhode Island Partnership for Science and Technology (RIPSAT) approved $320,000 in research funding for the company's wholly owned subsidiary, Analytical Biosystems Corporation (ABC).

This research program will be directed toward the development of a test to determine the sensitivity of malignant tumors to the combined treatment of chemotherapy and radiation. This research project is expected to take two years.

The Rhode Island Partnership for Science and Technology was established in 1985 by the State of Rhode Island as a fund to be a catalyst for the development of the high-tech sector in Rhode Island.

The approval of the grant was announced on Nov. 2, 1990, during a press conference held at the state house by the governor of Rhode Island, Edward D. DiPrete. The full text of the announcement follows:

DiPrete Announces Rhode Island Partnership Funding for New Cancer Treatment Testing Research Gov. Edward D. DiPrete today announced that the Rhode Island Partnership for Science and Technology has approved $320,338 in research funding for Analytical Biosystems Corporation (ABC) of Warwick. ABC will collaborate with Dr. Boris Rotman and Dr. John Leith of Brown University on the research project, which is expected to take two years and cost over $534,000 in total.

This research program will be directed toward the development of a test to determine the sensitivity of malignant tumors to the combined treatment of chemotherapy and radiation.

According to the governor, the test that ABC is proposing to develop will significantly enhance the quality and effectiveness of anti-cancer therapy for countless cancer patients. "Many of us have loved or known someone afflicted with cancer. And because of the determined efforts of companies like ABC, many have been given a fighting chance in their battle against what was once an almost certainly fatal condition. I applaud ABC's efforts and wish them the greatest success," the governor remarked.

The DiPrete administration established the Partnership for Science and Technology in 1985 to be a catalyst for the development of the high-tech sector in Rhode Island. To date, the partnership has invested more than $3 million in research of commercial promise at Brown, URI, Miriam Hospital and Roger Williams Hospital, and eight companies have invested more than $6 million in these projects. In addition, the partnership has thus brought about more than $9 million of research at local colleges and hospitals.

Analytical Biosystems Corporation was originally founded in 1985 by Dr. M. Boris Rotman of Applied DNA Systems, Inc. and Brown University Research Foundation, who was the 1990 recipient of the Governor's Science and Technology Award.

According to Dr. Patricia Meitner, who will direct the research at ABC, the funds provided by the state will assist the effectiveness of radiation used in combination with chemotherapy drugs for the treatment of certain types of cancers.

"What we know already is that every individual cancer patient's response to therapy is different and unpredictable; cancer is truly an individual disease. Once proven, our new test will provide oncologists with important information to enhance the effectiveness of treatment for cancer patients," Meitner explained, "enabling them to act with confidence in offering combined therapy to those patients predicted as likely to respond."

"Further," she said, "those predicted unlikely to respond will be spared from the sometimes devastating side effects of an ineffective treatment."

Meitner went on to say, "We are encouraged by the interest and support given to our innovative technologies by Gov. DiPrete, the Department of Economic Development, and particularly the Rhode Island Partnership for Science and Technology. We are gratified that they have acted with such foresight in supporting our research efforts here at ABC. In this climate of federal cutbacks in all areas of research, it is refreshing to those of us involved in research and development to find such enthusiasm and support locally."

Bruce Lang, executive director of the partnership, stated that he is "very pleased with the establishment of Analytical Biosystems in Rhode Island. The partnership has been working with ABC for over a year to develop this grant. This research, to be done in collaboration with Brown University and the

eventual commercialization of the resulting cancer test, should bring substantial note to all Rhode Island elements involved -- ABC, Brown and the State of Rhode Island. This union among business, education and state government is what the Partnership for Science and Technology is all about." Lang said, "This leading edge company is an extremely good example of Rhode Island's growing sophistication in the commercial biomedical field."

Analytical Biosystems operates a 10,000-square-foot laboratory in Warwick, R.I., and is licensed by the State of Rhode Island. In July of this year, ABC granted Adria Laboratories, a division of Erbamont, an exclusive option to enter into an executive sales agency agreement for the marketing of ABC's chemosensitivity assay. Adria, which has approximately 100 oncology specialty sales representatives, is a leader in the North American oncology market.

According to Dr. Kenneth E. Blackman, president of ABC, "The relationship with Adria brings to ABC 17 years of marketing experience in the chemotherapy marketplace. Adria has a strong research team that has successfully brought to the market several major drugs which generate annual sales of over $200 million."

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#90309p3380 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Wainoco Oil Corporation (NYSE: WOL) today reported revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $12 million, 22 percent above $9.8 million in the prior year's period. Net income of $1.3 million, or $.06 per share, rose 132 percent over $559,000, or $.03 per share, in the 1989 quarter.

Cash flow from operating activities of $5.7 million was 35 percent higher than $4.2 million in last year's similar period. Improvements were gained through increased production and higher oil prices.

Oil production of 236,000 barrels, or 2,565 barrels per day, was 40 percent above that in last year's quarter, and its average price rose 35 percent to $21.24/bbl. Natural gas production of 5.1 billion cubic feet, or 55 million cubic feet daily, was four percent higher than that in the 1989 period but its average price of $1.25/mcf fell two percent.

The year's first nine months' revenues of $32.4 million were 11 percent above those in the prior year's period. A loss of $5.9 million, or $.30 per share, compared to net income of $2.9 million, or $.15 per share, in the 1989 period was attributable to the $7.2 million noncash write-down of U.S. properties in the first quarter.

Nine months' oil production of 571,000 barrels and its average price of $18.57/bbl were both 18 percent above those reported in the prior year's period. Natural gas production of 15 billion cubic feet and its average price of $1.31/mcf were slightly higher than those in the initial nine months of 1989.

"Record production for the year to date has been achieved through our expanding exploration and acquisition programs," said John B. Ashmun, Wainoco's chairman. He also stated that further gains would result from the company's improving operations as well as from higher prices.

Wainoco Oil Corporation is an oil and gas exploration and production company with operations throughout North America. Wainoco's common shares are listed on the New York and Alberta Stock Exchanges.

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BILLERICA, MASS. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - CSP Inc. (NASDAQ: CSPI) released its audited financial results for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990. The company president, Samuel Ochlis, reported that sales for fiscal 1990 were $11,298,000 as compared to sales for the previous fiscal year which were $12,040,000. The sales decrease was due to the transition from selling a chassis-based array processor system to a new board-level array processor product.

The company's net income ws $839,000, or 31 cents per share, which was down slightly from the previous fiscal year of $869,000, or 32 cents per share.

Ochlis indicated that he is encouraged about fiscal 1991 with the success of new SuperCard family of array processors which were introduced during the fiscal year. The MasterScan Interpretive Densitometer, which has become a reality after four years of development, will broaden CSPI's product base.

CSPI was formed in 1968 with specific strengths in signal processing and computer technology. Today, CSPI is recognized as a leading manufacturer of array processors to enchange a computer's ability to perform high-speed arithmetic. Markets served include science and engineering applications in signal processing, sonar/radar/ASW, image processing, seismic research, medical imaging, electronic publishing and others. In addition to its array processors products, CSPI recently formed a new division called Scanalytics for the development and marketing of turnkey image analysis systems. CSPI is a public company with stock traded over the counter via NASDAQ.

CSP INC. CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(Dollars in 000s)

	Year ended	
	8/31/90	8/31/89
Sales	$11,298	$12,040
Cost of sales	3,948	4,434
Engineering and development	3,246	3,206
Marketing and sales	2,763	2,629
General and administrative	1,295	1,622
Total costs and expenses	11,252	11,891
Operating income	46	149
Other income, net of other expenses	1,023	993
Income before taxes	1,069	1,142
Net income	$839	$869
Primary earnings per share	31 cents	32 cents
Weighted average shares	2,733,111	2,730,415

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Torchmark Corp. (NYSE: TMK) announced that the company's board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of $.35 per share on the company's common stock at their October meeting. The dividend will be paid Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 10, 1991.

The board also declared a quarterly dividend on the company's Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A. The preferred dividend of $2.00 per share is payable Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 10, 1991.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Cooper Industries, Inc. (NYSE: CBE) today announced that First Chicago Trust Company of New York has been appointed as transfer agent, registrar and dividend disbursing agent for Cooper's common stock and $1.60 convertible exchangeable preferred stock, effective today.

First Chicago also will serve as plan administrator of Cooper's dividend reinvestment plan, as well as the rights agent for its shareholder rights plan and preferred share rights plan.

Inquiries from shareholders regarding their accounts should be directed to the following address:

Cooper Industries, with 1989 revenues of $5.1 billion, is a diversified,

worldwide manufacturer of electrical products, electrical power equipment, tools and hardware, automotive products, and petroleum and industrial equipment.

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#90309p3385 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - American businessman Raymond G. Ankner, president and chairman of the board of the InterAmerican Companies headquartered in Chicago, shared Germany's achievement by recently flying 250 top producers to Germany.

InterAmerican is part of a U.S.-based financial concern consisting of insurance, actuarial consulting and financial entities. The company provides innovative life, annuity and investment products for group and individual markets.

Said Ankner, "We could not have chosen a better time to share in Germany's victorious and historical event. We are cognizant of Germany's enhanced status in the world. As it is now faced with being a country with wider opportunities so is it faced with being a fully independent country. Our recent trip to Germany was indicative of our respect for the country as a growing influence on the world economy."

At a reception, guest speakers Otto Wolff von Amerongen, senior president of the Chamber of Industry and Commerce of Cologne; Norbert Burger, lord mayor of Cologne; and Joern Badenhoop, director, German Life Insurance Association, addressed the economic impact of the reunification.

Included in the week's activities was a tour of the Gerling-Konzern Globale headquarters. Gerling-Konzern is a worldwide group of Insurance and Reinsurance companies, with headquarters in Cologne, Germany. One of its companies, the Gerling-Konzern Global is one of the world's ten largest professional reinsurers.

Ankner commented, "Because of the nature of our business, we require an understanding of the marketplace that is global as well as local. Through our meetings in Cologne and Munich, which included German dignitaries, we gained an appreciation of the new power the European common market will bring to the world economy in general, and the insurance market in particular.

"We are also in a better position to understand the dynamics of such historical events as the breaching of the Berlin Wall, the collapse of communism and the first free elections in the East, and the start of German economic and monetary union."

"Our trip to Munich gave us a better appreciation of the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead for corporations worldwide," stated Ankner. "We now have a greater understanding of the social, economic, and political impact on American business working in partnership with European-based organizations."

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#90309p3388 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

VIENNA, VA. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Cable & Wireless Communications (NYSE: CWP), the nation's largest telecommunications company which exclusively serves businesses, has reached an agreement to acquire the assets of Washington-based Alba Data Technology, which operates under the trade name DataAmerica.

DataAmerica provides domestic and international data networking services to Fortune 1000 businesses.

Financial terms of the agreement were not disclosed. According to C. Alan Peyser, president of Cable & Wireless Communications, the acquisition is a strategically important step for Cable & Wireless as it prepares to offer end-to-end enhanced data networking services to transnational companies with global networking requirements.

DataAmerica currently provides domestic and international packet switching services including async, 4.8 and 9.6 Bps public dialing; X.25, X.75 and SDLC interconnection; fractional T-1 service; private network service; electronic messaging; basic value-added and IBM/SNA networking services; gateway services and access to more than 850 information retrieval services. Service will continue to be offered under the trade name DataAmerica.

Cable & Wireless Communications, owned by London-based Cable & Wireless plc, provides a wide range of switched and private line services exclusively to businesses through a fiber optic-based network which stretches from coast to coast. The company made its foray into the electronic messaging market in May when it introduced a feature-rich enhanced facsimile service called SureFax.

Cable & Wireless plc is one of the world's largest multinational telecommunications companies. Cable & Wireless has more than 100 years of experience in the field of telecommunications and provides service to customers in 48 countries. The company is in the final stage of building the first Global Digital Highway which will link the world's major financial centers via optical fiber.

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#90309p3390 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - James L. Gallagher, a 27-year Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX) veteran, has been promoted to general manager of the corporation's Government Operations Business Unit.

Gallagher will succeed Dr. William M. Jacobi, who has elected to retire on Feb. 1 after 35 years of Westinghouse service.

The business unit, headquartered near Pittsburgh, provides management and operations oversight for five U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) nuclear sites. These include the Feed Materials Production Center, near Cincinnati; the Idaho Chemical Processing Plant, near Idaho Falls; the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, near Carlsbad, N.M.; the West Valley Demonstration Project, at West Valley, N.Y.; and the Hanford Site, near Richland, Wash.

Westinghouse Savannah River Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary which manages and operates the DOE's Savannah River Site (SRS), near Aiken, S.C., will continue to operate as a separate business unit.

The Government Operations Business Unit also has oversight responsibility for the corporation's machinery technology division, at Large, Pa., which provides engineering services for the U.S. Navy.

Gallagher is presently vice president and general manager of Westinghouse Savannah River Co.'s reactor restart division. He was appointed vice president and general manager of the company's engineering and projects division in April of last year, when Westinghouse assumed management of the site from E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Co.

In recent years, Gallagher served as general manager of Westinghouse's nuclear technology systems division, strategic programs manager for the corporation's commercial nuclear power business and president of Westinghouse Nuclear Espanola.

Gallagher is a University of Pittsburgh graduate and holds bachelor of science and master of science degrees in chemical engineering. He also attended Pennsylvania State University's executive management program.

His present duties will be assumed by Paul D. Rice, who will bring to SRS 24 years of experience in nuclear reactor technology. For the past year, Rice has worked as a consultant to the nuclear industry. From 1982 to 1989, he held various management positions with Georgia Power Co., most recently as executive vice president and project director of the utility's Vogtle nuclear power plant in Waynesboro, Ga.

Prior to joining Georgia Power, Rice held various management positions in DOE's Naval reactors program in Vallejo, Calif.; Pascagoula, Miss.; Pearl

Harbor, Hawaii; and Washington, D.C.

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#90309p3396 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Malaysia Airlines (MAS) has ordered 10 Boeing 737-400 passenger jets and acquired 10 options, to meet long-term domestic and regional traffic growth, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group confirmed today.

Value of the 10 firm orders is about $330 million. In 1989 Malaysia Airlines signed an agreement with Boeing for 10 twinjet 737-400s and six 737-500s and obtained options for 16 more. With today's agreement, Malaysia Airlines now has on firm order a total of 20 Boeing 737-400s, six 737-500s and 16 options.

The new airplanes will replace an existing fleet of 12 Boeing 737-200s and a number of interim 737-400s currently being leased.

MAS Managing Director Tan Sri Abdul Aziz said, "The new twinjets will help the airline increase capacity and expand its service domestically as well as throughout Asia, where we foresee continued traffic growth."

The MAS-configured 737-400s will carry 146 passengers -- 20 more than the older 737-200s -- and will have a range of approximately 3,476 kilometers (2,160 statute miles).

"We are proud to see MAS expand its route system and add new capacity with the new-technology 737 family," said James F. Chorlton, Boeing vice president, international sales.

"By purchasing additional 737 aircraft and reserving additional follow-on positions, MAS is assured of the benefits of quiet, reliable and fuel-efficient aircraft for many years into the future."

The 737-400s will be powered by CFM56-3C engines. Boeing 737-400 orders now total 264 with orders for all 737 models at 2,852.

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#90309p3397 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific Software-Intercomp Inc. (NASDAQ: SSFT) announced today that the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has commented on various matters in conjunction with the company's audited financial statements for 1989 and its Form 10-K for that year. There are two matters which remain unresolved relating to when revenue is recognized by the

company with respect to software licenses and to the amortization period of the company's capitalized software.

The company has agreed with the SEC to change its revenue recognition policy to recognizing revenues upon shipment of licensed software rather than upon execution of the licenses, although the company's prior accounting practice, which was disclosed in its financial statements, is in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The company has not however resolved with the SEC how to implement this change. In the company's opinion and that of its independent auditor the change should be implemented beginning with the company's 1990 financial statements and be reflected in part by a substantial one-time cumulative charge to earnings.

With respect to software amortization, the SEC has advised the company that it should utilize a shorter amortization period than the 13-year-period presently used by the company. The 13-year period was established by the company as a result of extensive deliberations with the SEC in 1984 and the company strongly believes that the continued use of this period is proper.

The company intends to pursue a favorable resolution of both these matters.

Scientific Software-Intercomp Inc., for more than 20 years, has provided high technology software and consulting services to the oil and gas industry. The company has offices in Denver, Bakersfield, Calif., Houston, Calgary, London and Cairo.

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DENVER (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific Software-Intercomp Inc. (NASDAQ: SSFT) announced today that the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has commented on various matters in conjunction with the company's audited financial statements for 1989 and its Form 10-K for that year. There are two matters which remain unresolved relating to when revenue is recognized by the company with respect to software licenses and to the amortization period of the company's capitalized software.

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ANAHEIM, CA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - DILOG (NASDAQ: DLOG) today announced a major expansion beyond its traditional Digital Equipment Corporation marketplace with the introduction of six new disk and tape peripheral subsystems for enhancement of engineering workstations made by Sun Microsystems Inc.

The new subsystems include internal and external disk drives, tape drives and DILOG's popular DATstacker 4mm digital audio tape drive that automates cassette handling for unattended disk backup applications. All of the new units are offered as upgrades for data storage and backup applications on Sun 3/80, SPARCstation and SPARCserver systems. All of the new subsystems use existing internal SCSI controllers and are compatible with Sun 4.1 operating system software. They are intended for use in working and archival storage for large volume computer-aided design, engineering and manufacturing applications, according to Lyle Parthemer, DILOG product manager.

"All of these desktop peripherals have been designed specifically to be user-installable, so that Sun users can upgrade their systems to handle critical, high performance engineering applications that require more primary data storage as well as secure disk backup media," Parthemer said. "The disk drives provide up to twice the storage capacity of standard Sun drives and the variety of 4mm and 8mm tape backup systems provides greater capacity as well as more convenient operation than Sun's 1/4-inch cartridge tape offering. In addition, the DATstacker system provides the ability to automatically back up CAD/CAM/CAE files and programs as large as 10.4 gigabytes during quiet periods such as overnight."

With the exception of the one internal disk drive, all of the new units simply connect to the existing SCSI (small computer systems interface) port on the

Sun workstations. They include: an internal add-in drive that provides 209 megabytes of storage capacity; 778-megabyte and 1.2-gigabyte external tabletop disk drives; tabletop 4mm DAT and 8mm cartridge tape drives; second versions of the tape drives, each with an operator status panel to indicate the status of all tape handling operations; the tabletop 4mm DATstacker tape subsystem with an automatic cartridge handling stacker. Each of the external subsystems comes complete with a "shoebox" enclosure and external cabling. The DATstacker unit includes a software driver that is compatible with Sun operating systems.

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BETHPAGE, N.Y. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Grumman Corporation (NYSE: GQ) today reported third quarter 1990 net income of $25.6 million or 75 cents per share, up 51 percent from $16.9 million or 48 cents per share in the year-ago quarter. Sales increased 11 percent to $1.01 billion from $905.4 million.

Interest expense of $24.3 million was $800,000 less than the year- ago quarter. As of September 30, long-term debt was $820.2 million, down from $865.7 million a year earlier.

For the first nine months, net income was $68.9 million or $2.00 a share on sales of $2.92 billion. In the 1989 period, net income was $52.5 million or $1.50 a share on sales of $2.69 billion.

Third quarter sales in the aerospace segment increased 13 percent to $755.9 million from $668.2 million. Operating income was up 28 percent to $45.6 million from $35.7 million.

Both sales and profit increases were primarily from the F-14D aircraft. The prices of the first seven F-14D's delivered in the 1990 nine months include non-recurring costs.

In the electronics segment, sales declined three percent to $102.6 million, from $105.6 million, as sales on the Joint STARS program were lower in accordance with the government spending plan for the test phase of the program. In the third quarter of 1989, there was a charge of $4 million for the closing of the Tachonics subsidiary, a maker of gallium arsenide electronic components.

Quarterly sales in the information and other services segment increased to $151 million from $132.3 million due to increased activity in the Data Systems and Space Station Program Support divisions. Operating income was $5.1 million after a provision of $5.8 million for potential difficulties with a foreign service contract. Comparable income for 1989 was $11.9 million.

Quarterly sales in the special purpose vehicle segment increased slightly to $99.3 million from $98 million. Operating income was $8.9 million, up from $3.2 million. The Postal Service delivery truck program continued a very strong performance with excellent operating efficiencies. Over 14,800 units were delivered in the first nine months, 260 more than the same 1989 period.

As of Sept. 30, the company's total backlog was $7 billion, up slightly from $6.9 billion a year earlier.

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GREENSBORO, N.C. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Directors of Jefferson-Pilot Corp. (NYSE: JP) Monday declared two quarterly cash dividends, each in the amount of $.38 per share. The first dividend is payable Dec. 7, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 16, 1990 and the second will be payable March 1, 1991, to shareholders of record February 8, 1991.

The Corporation announced that its earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30 1990 were $115,516,000, or $3.20 per share, compared to $96,782,000, or $2.56 per share for the first nine months of 1989. The 1990 third quarter earnings were $38,372,000, or $1.08 per share, versus $30,942,000, or $.82 per share for the third quarter of 1989.

The third quarter of 1990's earnings included $.19 per share gain from sales of investments net of income taxes. The third quarter of 1989 included $.01 per share gain from the sale of investments. This year's first nine months included $.38 per share gain from sales of investments net of income taxes compared to $.24 for the first nine of months of 1989.

The average number of shares outstanding for the quarter ended September 30, 1990 was 35,457,200, compared to 37,601,281 for the same period last year. The average number of shares outstanding for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 was 36,142,617, compared to 37,813,457 for the first nine months of last year.

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GERMANTOWN, MD (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - RYMAC Mortgage Investment Corporation (AMEX: RM) today reported estimated taxable income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, at $2,279,000, or 43 cents per share, on which the company paid a 40 cent dividend for the third quarter. The year-to-date estimated

taxable income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, is $6,570,000, or $1.23 per share.

RYMAC operates as a real estate investment trust and is required to pay 95 percent of its taxable income in the form of dividends to its stockholders.

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#90309p3410 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HARTFORD, CONN. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Malaysia Airlines has selected Pratt & Whitney PW4000 engines to power up to seven Boeing 747-400 aircraft which the airline has on firm order or option. The engine order is worth up to $243 million to Pratt & Whitney.

This marks the first time that Malaysia has ordered the PW4000 for its growing fleet of 747-400 aircraft. The airline also previously selected the PW4000 for its Airbus A330 fleet.

Pratt & Whitney will supply Malaysia with 15 PW4000 engines, including spares, worth $100 million at time of delivery for three 747-400s on firm order.

When Malaysia converts the four option aircraft to firm orders, Pratt & Whitney will supply an additional 19 engines, including spares, worth about $143 million at time of delivery.

Deliveries of the aircraft on firm order are scheduled to begin in January 1994, with deliveries of option aircraft extending until 1999.

"Malaysia is a leading airline in a part of the world where air traffic is growing very rapidly," said William Raabe, vice president- marketing for Pratt & Whitney. "They, like many airlines in the Asia-Pacific region, see the value of the PW4000 in powering their expanding wide-body fleets."

The PW4000 is the most fuel-efficient high-thrust engine ever developed. It ranges from 56,000 to 84,000 pounds of thrust with growth capability to nearly 100,000 pounds of thrust to meet future aircraft requirements.

The PW4000 has been selected to power every wide-body aircraft currently in production or planned, including the Boeing 777 for which it is the launch engine.

Pratt & Whitney is a unit of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX) of Hartford, Conn.

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#90309p3412 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Cooper Companies, Inc. (NYSE: COO) has established a Healthcare Group and named two senior executives, Richard W. Turner and Nicholas Pichotta, to new positions.

Formal establishment of the Healthcare Group completes the second of four planned phases designed to restructure and rebuild the corporation, it was jointly announced today by co-chairman Gary A. Singer and Bruce D. Sturman.

"The Cooper Companies has successfully restructured its finances and refocused its operations during the last two years. Today, following the Oct. 31 close of this management's third fiscal year, we are pleased to announce that with the formation of our Healthcare Group and promotion of two senior executives, we have successfully completed the second of four planned phases to rebuild the corporation. Now we believe we are even better positioned for our phase III acquisition and phase IV integration program," the co-chairmen said in a prepared statement.

Named chief executive officer of the new Healthcare Group is Richard W. Turner interim president and chief operating officer of The Cooper Companies; and named to succeed him as president of the corporation's CooperVision subsidiary is Nicholas Pichotta.

Turner has 18 years experience in the healthcare field. He became president of CooperVision in 1989 after having managed the divestitures of CooperVision Surgical, Natural Y, CooperVision International and Cooper Technicon. Prior to 1989, he was president of Cooper LaserSonics.

Pichotta, previously vice president of Corporate Development at CooperVision and a 20-year executive within the healthcare industry, was named president of CooperVision. Pichotta began his career at Baxter Travenol as director of sales and marketing with its Hyland Laboratories Division, and subsequently served as president of the Surgical Laser Division of Cooper LaserSonics, Inc.

CooperVision, which presently manufactures and/or distributes some 15 brands of contact lenses including two special lines of lenses for use by individuals following surgery, targets specialty niches in selected segments of the contact lens market. Among its major products are soft and rigid gas permeable lenses sold through its own sales representatives and telemarketing experts to both optometrists and ophthalmologists in the United States and Canada under its Vantage, Mystique, Permaflex and Flouroflex trademarks.

CONTACT: Marisa Heine or Ken Donenfeld of D.F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for The Cooper Companies

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#90309p3416 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - United Insurance Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: UICI) reported net income for the third quarter of 1990 of $3,026,000, or $0.74 per share, as compared to $1,470,000, or $0.40 per share, for the same period in 1989. Net income for 1990 included $0.01 per share of losses on sales of investments.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $7,601,000, or $1.90 per share, compared to $3,279,000, or $0.94 per share, for the corresponding period in 1989.

A comparison of operating results for 1990 and 1989 follows:

UNITED INSURANCE COMPANIES, INC.

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$62,782,000	$50,982,000	$186,906,000	$162,706,000
Net Income	3,026,000	1,470,000	7,601,000	3,279,000
Fully diluted:				
Net income per share	$0.74	$0.40	$1.90	$0.94

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#90309p3419 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, GA. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Synovus Financial Corp. (NYSE: SNV) today announced the declaration of a quarterly dividend of $.095 per share, to be paid to shareholders of record as of Dec. 21, 1990, payable on Jan. 2, 1991.

Synovus today also announced that it intends to begin to repurchase up to 250,000 shares of its common stock. The shares being repurchased will be reissued in conjunction with various employee stock option and compensation plans. The issuance of shares of Synovus common stock in conjunction with pending acquisitions will necessitate, under SEC Rule 10b-18, that such repurchases be made intermittently over an extended period of time. The repurchases will be made in the open market at prevailing prices.

Synovus is a $2.8 billion asset, multi-financial services company based in Columbus, Ga. Synovus is composed of 14 Georgia, four Florida and two Alabama banking affiliates, a majority-owned, publicly traded bankcard data processing company, Total System Services Inc. (NYSE: TSS) and a broker/dealer company, Synovus Securities Inc.

CONTACT: Stephen L. Burts Jr., executive vice president and treasurer, 404-649-2197, or G. Sanders Griffith III, vice president, general counsel and secretary, 404-649-2267, both of Synovus Financial

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#90309p3422 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALATINE, ILL. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Suburban Bancorp (NASDAQ: SUBBA) today announced its board of directors has approved its regular quarterly dividends of $0.077 per Class A common share and $0.07 per Class B common share to shareholders of record Dec. 1, 1990. This quarterly dividend is payable Dec. 15, 1990.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, Suburban Bancorp had 2,289,730 Class A shares and 1,270,270 Class B shares outstanding. Class A is traded on NASDAQ.

Suburban Bancorp is a multibank holding company operating 13 banks with 30 offices in the Chicago metropolitan area.

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#90309p3426 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

GROSSE POINTE, MICH. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - William T. McCormick Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), was today awarded the first Hugh A. Wichert Business Excellence Award by the Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe.

The award will be given annually to an individual who best meets the following criteria:

1. Statesmanlike leadership in the encouragement of excellence in the practice of managing business and community affairs.

2. A business leader who believes in, strives for, and inspires others to the ethical management of business and life.

3. One who puts knowledge to practical use, using Wichert principles of M.B.E., which stand for Master of Business Excellence.

Mentor - a leader who is a mentor to others
Builder - a leader who helps to build others
Exemplar - a leader who is always an example to others

Mr. Wichert, a former Grosse Pointe Rotarian who is now deceased, distinguished himself as a business adviser and consultant for many Fortune 500 companies.

In presenting the award to McCormick, the Rotary Club said he exemplifies business excellence through his commitment in his faith, his personal and professional life. The award, the Club said, is presented to McCormick due to his contribution to the life of the community and to the economic betterment of Detroit.

"You have stood for the excellence for which we all strive and have been an outstanding example and role model for the young of our nation," said Theodore C. Hadgis, D.D.S., president of the Rotary Club.

McCormick is also chairman of the board and chief executive officer of CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary, Consumers Power Company.

CMS Energy Corporation is a $3 billion (sales) diversified electric and gas utility with additional interests in oil and gas exploration; gas transmission and storage; cogeneration and independent power generation; and utility services. CMS Energy is headquartered in Michigan and its utility operations are the 11th-largest in the United States serving 6 million of the 9 million residents of the state.

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#90309p3427 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LISLE, IL (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Van Kampen Merritt Limited Term High Income Trust (NYSE: VLT) and Van Kampen Merritt Intermediate Term High Income Trust (NYSE: VIT) announced today that the board of trustees of each trust has authorized the repurchase of up to 25 percent of the initial outstanding preferred shares. The preferred shares of the Limited Term Trust, liquidation preference $25 per share (the "preferred shares"), are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol, "VLTpr." The preferred shares of the Intermediate Term Trust, liquidation preference $100,000 per share, have been designated Auction Market Preferred Shares (the "AMPS").

The board of trustees of each trust had previously authorized each trust to repurchase or redeem up to 25 percent of their outstanding preferred shares. Van Kampen Merritt noted that each trust has recently substantially completed the repurchase of the preferred shares previously authorized to be repurchased. The Limited Term Trust currently has outstanding preferred shares with an aggregate liquidation preference of approximately $46.5 million. The Intermediate Term Trust currently has outstanding AMPS with an aggregate liquidation preference of approximately $63.8 million.

In accordance with the terms of the preferred shares and under the Investment Company Act of 1940, each trust is required to maintain net assets with a value at least equal to 200 percent of the aggregate liquidation preference of

its outstanding preferred shares. The board of trustees of each trust has authorized each trust to repurchase in the open market or to redeem up to 25 percent of its initial outstanding preferred shares in order to increase the trust's asset coverage margin. Preferred shares may be repurchased in the open market by each trust at a price per share equal to its market value (or, in the case of Intermediate Term Trust, a liquidation preference plus accrued dividends). The terms of the preferred shares of each trust also provide that at the trust's option, the trust may redeem all or a portion of its outstanding preferred shares at a price per preferred share, in the case of the Limited Term Trust, of $26.90 plus accrued dividends, and at a price per AMPS, in the case of the Intermediate Term Trust, of $100,000 plus accrued dividends. Preferred shares of either trust called for redemption would be selected by lot, on a pro rata basis or by such other method as the trust deems fair and equitable.

Each trust is a closed-end management investment company. The investment objective of each trust is to provide their common shareholders with high current income, while seeking to preserve shareholders' capital, through investment in a diversified portfolio of high-income producing fixed-income securities. Each trust invests primarily in medium- and lower-grade, fixed-income securities. The preferred shares of the Limited Term Trust and the AMPS of the Intermediate Term Trust are currently rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's Corporation and "aaa" by Moody's Investors Service.

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#90309p3428 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Division today reported the following ten-day sales figures:

	Oct. 21-31		Month-to-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Selling days	9	9	27	26
Ford	4,666	2,328	10,625	7,016
Thunderbird	4,318	2,896	10,059	10,203
Taurus	10,296	9,439	26,610	27,353
Tempo	5,721	6,550	17,386	24,833
Escort	11,107	8,896	30,842	23,708
Festiva	1,379	1,921	3,656	5,123
Mustang	6,108	3,735	11,664	9,476
Probe	1,357	3,586	4,070	10,216
Total cars	44,952	39,351	114,912	117,928
Bronco	1,094	1,968	2,819	5,132
Bronco II/Expl	7,502	3,460	19,620	9,022
Club Wagon	573	830	1,634	2,297
Van	3,630	4,916	9,969	12,573

Aerostar	5,616	4,360	14,278	13,385
Ranger	8,966	9,443	21,641	23,311
F-Series	15,005	14,823	39,184	39,615
Heavy	1,540	1,945	3,393	4,610
Total trucks	43,926	41,745	112,538	109,945

	CYTD	
	1990	1989
Selling days	257	256
Ford	98,392	95,144
Thunderbird	91,320	107,806
Taurus	267,982	299,880
Tempo	190,702	197,996
Escort	247,718	296,857
Festiva	47,188	61,105
Mustang	106,771	145,245
Probe	96,417	117,325
Total cars	1,146,490	1,321,358
Bronco	42,023	52,394
Bronco II/Expl	143,098	92,380
Club Wagon	17,780	21,713
Van	127,087	145,611
Aerostar	154,704	163,992
Ranger	242,397	237,235
F-Series	458,487	487,265
Heavy	39,586	49,490
Total trucks	1,225,162	1,250,080

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#90309p3433 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Advanced Magnetics, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADMG) announced today that it achieved record sales in the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 21 percent of $9,312,000 from $7,719,000 in the year-earlier. Net income for fiscal year 1990 was $481,000 or 14 cents per share compared to $1,056,000 or 34 cents per share for the 1989 period.

Revenues for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $2,386,000 compared with revenues of $2,363,000 for the fourth quarter of 1989. Net income for the 1990 quarter was $211,000 or 6 cents per share compared to $513,000 or 16 cents per share for the 1989 quarter.

The company said the increase in revenues was due to a 26 percent increase in

product sales and the effect of the license agreements it completed with Eiken Chemical Company, Ltd. of Tokyo and Mallinckrodt Medical, Inc. of St. Louis, Mo.

The company said research and development expenses including expenditures for human clinical trials and pre-clinical toxicology increased 59 percent to $5,217,000 in 1990 from $3,283,000 in 1989 and that this increase was an offset to the gain in revenues.

Advanced Magnetics, Inc. is a medical diagnostics company devoted to the development and manufacture of diagnostic pharmaceuticals for use with magnetic resonance imaging as well as clinical and research products for in-vitro testing.

CONTACT: Jerome Goldstein, president of Advanced Magnetics, Inc., 617-497-2070; or Harry Nicolay of Nicolay Consulting Group, 617-499-1433 for Advanced Magnetics

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#90309p3434 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Alberta Natural Gas Co. (Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver, Alberta: ANG) reports today that the unaudited consolidated net income in the third quarter of 1990 was $6.0 million or 29 cents per share, compared with $6.7 million or 31 cents per share in 1989.

Unaudited consolidated net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $16.9 million on revenue of $274.3 million or 80 cents per share, compared with $17.7 million on revenue of $273.5 million or 83 cents per share during the same period in 1989.

The reference in the Earnings Statements to discontinued operations reflects the final disposition of the assets of Angus Biotech Inc. at the erythromycin facility at Long Beach, Calif. The 1989 operating results from this facility have been restated to ensure that results from continuing operations are comparable.

Lost sales to the agricultural markets in Florida due to cold weather, resulted in a decrease in earnings in the chemical business during the first half of 1990. However, earnings in the chemical business recovered to 1989 levels for the third quarter of 1990.

Earnings from the hydrocarbons business show slight improvement over 1989, although a positive impact from the increase in prices for natural gas liquids has yet to be fully realized.

ANG's profits continue to be negatively affected by high interest rates in Canada and the corresponding high price of the Canadian dollar versus the

United States dollar.

In the third quarter, ANG acquired a controlling interest in the MagCan partnership by increasing its interest from 50 percent to 54 percent. As a result, MagCan will be fully consolidated with ANG.

MagCan is in the process of increasing its production of high quality magnesium. However, the operation is not yet commercial and therefore all related costs are being capitalized.

ANG is a Calgary-based company operating in three business areas - hydrocarbons, specialty chemicals and magnesium. ANG common shares are listed on Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver and Alberta Exchanges and traded under the symbol ANG.

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#90309p3436 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. today established a record for car sales in the Midwest for the month of October.

Toyota sold 12,277 cars in 14 Midwestern states during October 1990, a 13.7-percent increase over the same month of 1989 when 10,802 cars were sold.

Toyota car sales in the Midwest during the first 10 months of 1990 increased 16.8 percent to 133,981 from 114,757 reported Jan. 1 to Oct. 31, 1989.

In Toyota's Chicago Region, which includes the states of Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan (Upper Peninsula), car sales in October were up 20 percent to 5,165 from 4,303. Sales in the first 10 months of 1990 were 53,151 an 18.4-percent increase from 44,884 for the same period last year.

In Toyota's Cincinnati Region, which includes the states of Ohio, Michigan (Lower Peninsula), Kentucky and Tennessee, car sales in October were up 11.8 percent to 5,132 from 4,592. From Jan. 1 to Oct. 31, sales posted a 16.5-percent increase to 59,588 from 51,146.

In Toyota's Kansas City Region, which includes the states of Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota, car sales for the month increased to 1,980 from 1,907 in October 1989. For the 10-month period this year, sales totaled 21,242, an increase of 13.5 percent over last year's 18,727.

In addition to Toyota car sales, Lexus dealers in the Midwest sold 863 Lexus LS 400 and ES 250 luxury cars in October, a 96-percent increase. Lexus sales in the first 10 months of 1990 in the Midwest totaled 7,941. Lexus is the

luxury car division of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.

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#90309p3437 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors and its employees announced today that they will contribute approximately $11.3 million to the 1990 United Way Torch Drive Campaign.

The total includes contributions of $7,702,246 from the Detroit-area GM employees and $2,300,000 from Pontiac-area GM employees. Employees from GM facilities in Ypsilanti contributed an additional $198,134.

Combined with a $1,095,000 contribution from the GM Foundation, employee pledges and contributions totaled $11,299,380. That total far exceeded GM's goal of $9.2 million.

This year's gift was announced by co-chairs of the GM employee campaign, Richard F. O'Brien, vice president of the GM Personnel Administration and Development Staff and UAW Vice President Stephen P. Yokich, director of the Union's GM Department.

In congratulating GM employees for once again exceeding their campaign goal, O'Brien and Yokich said, "It is heartwarming to know that GM people who work so hard to put 'Quality on the Road,' are putting that same level of quality back into our community through their generous contributions."

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#90309p3439 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Fayette Tubular Products (FTP), a leading supplier of automotive air conditioner tube-and-hose assemblies, has appointed veteran automotive supplier executive Robert S. Marty to general manager of a major manufacturing plant in Fayette, Ohio.

Marty joined FTP from Kelsey-Hayes Corp., where he was vice president in charge of its Western Wheel subsidiary, which produces aluminum wheels. He worked his way up to that vital post over the course of 22 years.

Marty first joined Kelsey-Hayes in 1968 as a process engineer at its plant in Milford, Mich., where he worked on processes for producing antilock braking systems.

He then was promoted to corporate manufacturing engineer. In this assignment he set up a brake caliper plant in Germany to service Volkswagen.

He later went to the Rockford, Ill., heavy truck wheel plant, as project engineering manager, where he worked on developing the braking system for Chrysler's K-cars.

Marty has served as operations manager for two plants in Jackson, Mich., responsible for manufacturing, engineering, and maintenance. He also was general manager of two plants in Davenport, Iowa, that produce wheels for agricultural and off-highway equipment.

In 1987, Marty was promoted to vice president in charge of the Western Wheel subsidiary, with responsibility for operating three aluminum wheel plants, as well as marketing, product development and other key functions.

Headquartered in Troy, Fayette Tubular Products specializes in developing automotive air conditioner tube-and-hose assemblies, and supplies them directly or indirectly for most of the North American automakers. The company operates plants in Fayette, Ohio, Oxford and Reading in Michigan, and in Livingston, Tenn.

Fayette Tubular Products is a subsidiary of the Danaher Corporation (NYSE: DHR), a major manufacturing company headquartered in Washington, D.C., and listed on the New York and Pacific stock exchanges.

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#90309p3441 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Fayette Tubular Products, Inc. (FTP) has centralized all of its corporate, engineering, research and development, sales and marketing activities at a new world headquarters at 1835 Technology Drive in Troy.

Establishing the Troy world headquarters involved the transfer of FTP's extensive research and development laboratory from its former location in Fayette, Ohio. In addition, design, engineering and product prototype facilities were consolidated at Troy from Fayette and Reading, Mich.

FTP specializes in designing and supplying air conditioner tube-and- hose assemblies for the automotive industry, and serves most of the automotive companies operating in North America.

FTP operates advanced production facilities that utilize cellular one-piece flow processing technology, at Fayette, Reading and Oxford in Michigan, and

Livingston, Tenn.

According to James Sheline, FTP president, relocation of these functions to the new Troy world headquarters improves communications with many primary customers, who can now participate on-site in FTP's product development and testing programs.

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#90309p3442 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Westinghouse Electric Corporation (NYSE: WX) has acquired Innovative Computing Corporation (ICC), a leader in management systems for the trucking industry, it was announced today.

ICC, in business for more than 20 years, employs 175 people and has among its 500 customers many of the major domestic and international freight transportation companies. The company also has operations in Bristol, England.

ICC, of Oklahoma City, will become a subsidiary of the Westinghouse Electronic Systems Group, headquartered here. G.D. Madden, an ICC founder, will remain as president. Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

Edward N. Silcott, vice president and general manager of the Westinghouse Commercial Systems Divisions, said: "The ICC acquisition is a key step in the corporation's strategy to carry its electronic systems technology and expertise into non-defense markets. ICC will provide us with the marketing experience, technology and leadership to enable us to contribute significantly in the cargo and freight management systems market."

Westinghouse, a diversified company which had 1989 sales of $12.8 billion, offers a number of services and products to the transportation industry. Thermo King, a subsidiary, is a world leader in transportation temperature control. Westinghouse also supplies air traffic control equipment and systems to the nation's airports.

The Electronic Systems Group furnishes a range of electronic systems and services for military, civilian and commercial applications. It has annual sales of about $3 billion and is diversifying into non-defense markets, as represented by the ICC acquisition.

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MORRISTOWN, N.J. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Barringer Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: BARR) today announced that its Ionscan drug and explosives detection equipment has been successfully tested in field demonstrations by the U.S. Customs Service.

Barringer's Ionscan unit was field tested by the U.S. Customs Service at the San Ysidro and Otay Mesa border crossings in Southern California. It successfully demonstrated its ability to detect minute traces of drugs on vehicles, luggage and people and even detected and identified narcotics missed by conventional detection means. For this particular test, the U.S. Customs requested that the Ionscan unit be preprogrammed and calibrated for narcotics detection, specifically heroin and cocaine.

The Ionscan unit can detect narcotics and explosives in under six seconds -- a feature that takes on added significance at border crossings where thousands of vehicles pass through daily and where customs officers must process many vehicles and packages quickly.

Several U.S. and Canadian government agencies, including International Civil Aviation Organization, FBI, U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency, Revenue Canada, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, National Research Council, and Transport Canada have evaluated Ionscan prototype units, and were impressed with their explosive and drug detection capability. Transport Canada (FAA's Canadian counterpart), Revenue Canada (Canadian Customs), and the U.S. Customs Service provided partial funding for the development of the detector.

At San Ysidro, Ionscan operated for 16 hours successfully sampling cars, people, briefcases, bags, etc. In every case where other methods detected drugs, Ionscan confirmed their presence; in some cases where other methods failed, Ionscan detected drugs.

The conclusion of these tests and field demonstrations is that Ionscan is an effective drug detection device and is fast, sensitive and accurate. Ionscan has demonstrated to the U.S. Customs Service, and other agencies which have tested it, that if narcotics are present, even in minute quantities, it can detect and identify them.

The tests conducted by the U.S. Customs Services appear to confirm that the high sensitivity, speed and reliability of Barringer's Ionscan unit will prove extremely valuable in identifying drug traffickers, who will have taken great pains to conceal and camouflage their illicit cargoes.

Barringer Resources revealed that its Ionscan unit has been involved in a number of other field tests and demonstrations, the details of which cannot be released due to the sensitive nature of the tests. In all cases, however, the field trials have unequivocally demonstrated the efficacy of the system.

Headquartered in Morristown, Barringer Resources Inc. is a holding company with two operating entities: Barringer Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ: BALB), 48 percent-owned, provides analytical testing services for the environmental and minerals industries; Barringer Instruments Inc., develops, manufactures and markets specialty analytical instruments for security, law enforcement, exploration and environmental monitoring applications.

CONTACT: Stanley Binder, president of Barringer Resources, 201-984-5760, or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Barringer Resources

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TROY, MICH. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Fayette Tubular Products (FTP) has appointed a new general manager at its automotive air conditioner tube-and-hose assembly plant in Livingston, Tenn., which specializes in developing and supplying assemblies used in American-made cars and by several Japanese automakers.

Danny L. Kirby, a native of Tennessee, joined FTP as Livingston general manager after serving for the past six years with the Jacobs Brake Division of Jacobs Manufacturing Company, a leading manufacturer of heavy-duty vehicle engine retarders. Both FTP and Jacobs Manufacturing are subsidiaries of the Danaher Corporation (NYSE: DHR), a major manufacturing company headquartered in Washington, D.C., and listed on the New York and Pacific stock exchanges.

Kirby formerly was operations manager at Jacobs Brake, and played a major role in implementing just-in-time (JIT) production and shipping methods with that company. He was a specialist in developing the flexible cellular production concept, which also is widely used at all of FTP's plants.

Before being named operations manager at Jacobs Brake, Kirby had held positions as general manager of sales and service, eastern region manager, national accounts manager and territory manager.

Kirby also has 10 years' production experience with Ford Motor Company, having worked in various production positions, including foreman, with the Ford glass plant in Murfreesboro, Tenn., from 1968 to 1978.

He holds a bachelor of business administration degree from Middle Tennessee State University, and also studied civil engineering at Tennessee Technological University.

Kirby is a member of the Heavy Duty Manufacturers Association, Heavy Duty Business Forum, The Maintenance Council and the Motor and Equipment Manufacturers Association.

Headquartered in Troy, Fayette Tubular Products is one of the nation's leading suppliers of automotive air conditioner tube-and-hose assemblies, and operates four major plants to develop and manufacture these products.

The plants are located in Livingston, Tenn., Oxford and Reading in Michigan, and in Fayette, Ohio.

CONTACT: George Mach or Susan Powers of Fayette Tubular Products, 313-589-3620

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Time Publishing Ventures, Inc., which already owns 50 percent of In Health magazine and its related businesses, has reached an agreement in principle to acquire the remaining half, the company announced today.

Time Publishing Ventures is The Time Inc. Magazine Company unit responsible for the company's regional and special interest magazines and its worldwide development activity.

Widely recognized for its editorial excellence, In Health is a bimonthly consumer health magazine published in Sausalito, Calif. It was originally launched as Hippocrates which is now the name of a trade edition for physicians. The name changes took effect with the January/February 1990 issues of both magazines.

The publication won two National Magazine Awards in its first two years -- for General Excellence in 1988 and for Best Single Topic Issue in 1989. In 1990, the magazine was a finalist in three National Magazine Award categories -- General Excellence, Design, and Photography.

In Health, which is the fastest growing health magazine in America, will increase its rate base to 800,000 with its March/April 1991 issue. The magazine, which was conceived as a single source of reliable and readable information about health for an educated audience, premiered in April 1987 with a rate base of 300,000.

Hippocrates, a controlled circulation publication for physicians that carries pharmaceutical advertising, was also part of the transaction announced today. It has a similar editorial package to In Health, but includes some different articles geared to physicians' specific interests. It is sent to 120,000 family practitioners, general practitioners, cardiologists, internists and osteopaths.

A subsidiary of The Time Inc. Magazine Company, the nation's largest magazine

publisher and a wholly owned subsidiary of Time Warner Inc. (NYSE: TWX), Time Publishing Ventures, Inc. purchased 50 percent of the company, Hippocrates Partners, which publishes both In Health and Hippocrates, in November 1988.

Financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

CONTACT: Peter Costiglio of Time Inc. Magazines, 212-522-3927

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#90309p3452 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TEXAS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Volvo Cars of North America today announced that it has voluntarily withdrawn its recent advertisement showing a "Monster Truck" attempting to crush a row of cars. The ad was challenged by Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox.

Volvo stated the concept for this ad came from an actual "Monster Truck" event which was conducted by the Arthritis Foundation of Vermont on Sept. 11, 1988. According to a letter and video tape received by Volvo, after repeated passes by a "Monster Truck," the passenger compartment of a Volvo 240 station wagon remained largely intact and uncrushed while the cars surrounding it were flattened.

On June 12, 1990 in Austin, Texas, a film production company hired by Volvo's advertising agency, Scali, McCabe, Sloves, Inc., staged a dramatization of the Vermont event for the purpose of making a Volvo advertisement. The company recruited approximately 400 local residents to participate as crowd extras in this production. Two "Monster Trucks" were hired, three used Volvos, and approximately twenty other used cars were collected for the filming. Unlike a typical "Monster Truck" event, this was a filming for a commercial which required numerous partial runs and reruns to secure all of the photography necessary.

The advertisement, as released, failed to state it was a dramatization of an actual event, as opposed to a scientific demonstration of Volvo's safety. Proof of Volvo's safety is readily available through numerous independent sources including the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety and the Highway Loss Data Institute. Studies from these organizations indicate Volvos are among the safest cars on the road today.

Since the Austin event was staged for the purpose of filming, modifications were made to the vehicles to enable the filming to be done without threatening the safety of the production crew and to allow the Volvo to withstand the number of runs by the "Monster Truck" required for filming.

Appearing before the press in Austin, Attorney General Mattox was joined by William J. Hoover, senior vice president Volvo Cars of North America. Hoover stated that Volvo had built its reputation on honesty and candor. He assured

Mattox and the public it was never the company's intention to produce an ad which deceived or mislead. Hoover ended his remarks by thanking the attorney general for bringing this matter to Volvo's attention so that the appropriate action could be taken.

"It was unfortunate that we did not label this advertisement as a dramatization," Hoover stated, "it would be even more unfortunate however, if our agreement to withdraw the advertisement at this time created any doubt about the real world safety of Volvo cars."

In reaching an agreement with the State of Texas, Volvo has voluntarily withdrawn the advertisement and has agreed to reimburse the attorney general's office for its investigative costs and legal fees. Additionally, Volvo has purchased space in nineteen Texas daily newspapers, The Wall Street Journal, and USA Today for the purpose of explaining its decision to withdraw the advertisement at this time. The company has also agreed to make certain records regarding its advertisements, available to the Texas Attorney's General's office.

Under the terms of the agreement, Volvo has not admitted any fault, nor has it admitted it violated any laws. No fines, penalties, or restitution was ordered.

CONTACT: Robert Austin of Volvo, 201-768-7300

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#90309p3458 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - October Lexus sales of 5,530 jumped 62 percent compared to October 1989, according to figures released today by the luxury division of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A. Inc.

Sales of 3,764 LS 400 models were up 56 percent from a year ago, while ES 250 sales of 1,766 were up 76.5 percent. Year-to-date 1990 Lexus sales reached 50,944.

"This increase reflects the continued momentum Lexus has been building since last September's introduction, rather than a reaction to the impending luxury tax," said Dave Illingworth, Lexus vice president and general manager. "The increase in ES 250 sales -- nearly equal to that of the LS 400 -- indicates the overall strength of Lexus sales during October."

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#90309p3461 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - National Media Corp. (NYSE: NM) "will

report record operating results for the second quarter and first half ended September 30, but is now feeling the effects of the slowdown in consumer purchasing witnessed even earlier in the year on a broader basis by retail outlets," David E. Baxter, acting president, stated today.

"Although we expect second quarter pre-tax earnings to be up more than 70 percent on an approximate 90 percent gain in revenues, and total first half profits and revenues to be significantly ahead of the like period, we nonetheless consider it prudent to react quickly to what is clearly a more moderate sales climate. We are experiencing a slowdown in sales, probably caused in large part by consumer concerns regarding a possible recession, and as a result National Media is adopting a cautionary posture regarding overhead. We believe that full year sales will be ahead of last year's, but second half earnings are unpredictable at this moment.

"Final second quarter results won't be available for another two weeks, but we believe second quarter earnings will be about $.12 per share after taxes against $.08 on a reduced federal tax basis in the comparable quarter last year, with second quarter revenues up some 90 percent to approximately $39 million against $19 million in last year's second quarter," Baxter said.

Baxter also noted, "Consistent with our decision to streamline overhead, we are immediately integrating our Kwik-Way fulfillment operations into other segments of our business, thus lowering continuing overhead costs. We will be reviewing other National Media operations in an ongoing effort to always maximize profit opportunities, a program which will remain central to our corporate growth philosophy," he said.

Baxter, a director of National Media Corp., assumed the presidency on Oct. 17. Baxter had been a co-founder and president of QVC, the second largest competitor in the television home shopping industry, and also had served as vice president finance and chief financial officer of Franklin Mint, formerly a division of Warner Communications.

CONTACT: William H. Campbell, vp and secretary of National Media Corp., 215-482-9800

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#90309p3462 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - GEICO Corporation (NYSE: GEC) today reported its results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The corporation's interim report to shareholders will be mailed on or about Nov. 12, 1990.

Commenting on the corporation's results, Chairman Bill Snyder said: "We are

pleased with the company's financial results through the first nine months of 1990. Net income was $153.6 million, up 15.5 percent from the same period in 1989. The realized gains included in net income were well below the 1989 year-to-date level, primarily a result of the generally unfavorable securities market in the third quarter (a condition which has continued into the fourth quarter). Financial results excluding realized gains were quite favorable and well ahead of last year.

"On a per share basis, net income this year was $10.03, up 16.9 percent from $8.58 for the same period in 1989. Net income included realized investment gains (after tax) of $1.33 per share in 1990 and $2.27 per share for nine months of 1989.

"Underwriting results were excellent. The consolidated underwriting ratio year-to-date was 95.7 percent compared to 96.8 percent for the corresponding period in 1989. Weather-related catastrophe losses were well below those experienced last year but still more than what we consider to be a 'normal' year for weather losses. Auto injury tort claims frequency continued to rise while frequency for most other coverages declined. Auto claims severity for all coverages continued to increase.

"Property and casualty earned premiums through nine months were up 5.9 percent over the same 1989 period. The number of voluntary policies in force at the end of September was 5.0 percent above the number in force 12 months earlier. This growth rate is a favorable trend as it continues to be better than the rate achieved in recent years.

"In GEICO, our principal subsidiary, earned premiums were up 6.3 percent over the 1989 level and we sold 8.3 percent more new policies than were sold in the first nine months of 1989. GEICO's underwriting ratio was 95.2 percent compared to 96.5 percent in the corresponding 1989 period," Snyder said.

CONTACT: Carroll R. Franklin, director, Investor Relations, GEICO Corporation, 301-986-2055

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#90309p3464 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Associates Corp. of North America and Transamerica Commercial Finance Corp. today announced that The Associates has purchased Transamerica Fleet Leasing Corp. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

As a result of its purchase, The Associates assumes lease and management responsibilities for approximately 9,300 autos and light trucks previously owned or managed by Transamerica Commercial Finance Corp. The Associates now has more than 66,000 autos and light trucks under lease and management nationwide.

"The acquisition of the Transamerica automotive portfolio is a significant addition to Associates Leasing," said Reece A. Overcash, Jr., chairman of The Associates. "Transamerica Fleet Leasing has a reputation for providing high standards of service to its clients and we intend to maintain that quality."

"The sale is a continuation of our strategy to focus our commercial financing activities on inventory financing, insurance premium financing and specialized asset-based lending," said Robert A. Watson, president and CEO of Transamerica Commercial Finance Corp. "The Associates is an outstanding company with a strong commitment to the fleet leasing industry. We are confident of their ability to manage the operation as well as satisfy our former customers."

The Associates provides consumer finance, specialized commercial finance and leasing, and insurance. Part of the Financial Services Group of Ford Motor Co., The Associates has assets of more than $16 billion and manages financial assets of about $5 billion for Ford subsidiaries in the United States, the United Kingdom, Japan and Canada.

Chicago-based Transamerica Commercial Finance Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Transamerica Corp., a market leader in the inventory financing, insurance premium financing and specialized asset-based lending industries.

CONTACT: Fred Stern of Associates Corp. of North America, 214-541-4042, or Kirk Wulf of Transamerica, 312-329-6584

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#90309p3468 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Quixote Corp. (NASDAQ: QUIX) announced today sales from continuing operations of $28,630,000 for its first quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 89 percent over sales of $15,152,000 for the same quarter last year. Earnings from continuing operations for the quarter were $1,061,000 or 14 cents per share, compared to $1,832,000 or 24 cents per share for the same quarter last year. Net earnings for the quarter were $1,061,000 or 14 cents per share, compared to $1,059,000 or 14 cents per share for the same quarter last year.

Quixote Corp. is a diversified technology company composed of Energy Absorption Systems, Inc., the world's leading manufacturer of a wide range of highway crash cushions, devices that save lives on the world's highways; Stenograph Corp., the world's leading manufacturer of shorthand machines and computer systems for the court reporting profession; Disc Manufacturing Inc., one of the largest manufacturers of compact discs (CDs), videodiscs and CD ROMs in the United States; and Source Scientific Systems Inc., a manufacturer of automated diagnostic equipment for the biotechnology industry. Quixote Corp. is also a founding shareholder of Neophore Technologies Inc., which is developing a unique, patented approach to providing an advanced drug delivery

system.

QUIXOTE CORP. EARNINGS SUMMARY

Three months ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
Net sales	$28,630,000	$15,152,000
Earnings from continuing operations before taxes	1,633,000	2,972,000
Earnings from continuing operations net of income taxes	1,061,000	1,832,000
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	--	(773,000)
Net earnings	1,061,000	1,059,000
Per share data: Earnings from continuing operations, net of income taxes	$.14	$.24
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	--	(.10)
Net earnings per common and common equivalent share	$.14	$.14

CONTACT: Myron R. Shain or M. Melissa Quinn, 312-467-6755, of Quixote

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#90309p3470 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - URCARCO INC. (NASDAQ: CARS) announced today that sales for the month of October 1990 were $16.9 million, as compared to $9.9 million for October 1989. This represents a 71 percent increase over sales a year ago.

URCARCO INC. operates a chain of used car retail lots in Fort Worth, Dallas, Austin, Houston, and San Antonio, Texas, selling quality used passenger cars and light trucks and typically financing customer purchases.

CONTACT: Henry T. Stanley, 817-882-7008; or Robyn B. Trent, 817-882-7018, both of URCARCO, INC.

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#90309p3471 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

RENO, NEV. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Porsche Cars North America Inc., Distributor of Porsche Sports Cars, reported sales and dealer stock figures for the month of October 1990.

Model	Oct. 90	Oct. 89	Ytd 90	Ytd 89	Dealer Stock
924S/944 ;	2	69	232	1255	6
944 S2 Coupe and Cabriolet	189	91	2058	442	425
944 Turbo ;	4	52	467	666	9

911 Carrera 2 Coupe, Targa and Cabriolet	256	176	3043	3227	744
911 Turbo ;	0	32	8	1006	0
911 Carrera 4 Coupe, Targa and Cabriolet	118	189	1390	726	381
928 Series	36	79	507	700	125
Total	605	688	7705	8022	1690

924S was discontinued after the 1988 model year; 944 and 944 Turbo discontinued after 1989 model year. The 911 turbo model was discontiued after model year 1989.

CONTACT: Martha McKinley of Porsche Cars North America Inc., 702-348-3113

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#90309p3476 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DELAVAN, WIS. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Ajay Sports Inc. ("Ajay") (NASDAQ: AJAY) announced today that it has hired Michael S. Casazza to head its wholly-owned subsidiary, Ajay Leisure Products Inc. Cassaza will serve as President and Chief Executive Officer of this unit.

Casazza has been associated with the sporting goods industry for 18 years, most recently as Vice President/General Manager of the Wilson Sporting Goods Co., Golf Division where he was responsible for $145 million in annual sales and 1,500 employees. Prior to his tenure with Wilson, Casazza was employed by Dunlap Slazenger Corp. where in his final two years he was President, Racket Sports Division.

As had been previously announced, Casazza has also been appointed President of MacGregor Sports Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of MGS Acquisitions Inc. Ajay Sports currently has a Letter of Intent to purchase up to 60 percent of MGS Acquisitions common stock contingent upon certain conditions being met. It is expected that Casazza will devote such time as is necessary to both operations.

Ajay Sports, through its 100 percent wholly-owned subsidiary, Ajay Leisure Products is one of the largest distributors of golf accessories as well as the nation's largest manufacturer of golf bags and hand-pulled golf carts.

CONTACT: Joseph W. Hovorka of Ajay Sports Inc., 303-290-9371

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#90309p3478 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Nov. 2, 1990.

All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields (30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago Conventional
15-Year FRM	9.58	9.66	9.39
30-Year FRM	9.96	10.05	9.73
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	10.21	10.30	9.98
10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.			
Second Mortgages	9.580	9.690	9.580

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term) Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	8.70	8.85	9.20	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	8.95	9.10	9.45	2.000 pct.
1(A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	7.65	7.80	8.15	2.250 pct. 6 mos(A)
(COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	7.75	7.90	8.25	2.125 pct.

(A) Rate reduction (B) 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM.
Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs. LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
Oct. 30, 1990	7.938	8.063	8.063	8.063
Sept. 27, 1990	8.297	8.375	8.422	8.500

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 11/02/90	Year to Date	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase (A)	557.3	19,458.4	19,019.2
Purchases	542.9	19,657.5	17,350.9
MBS Issued	730.0	81,382.2	51,930.9

(A) Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

CONTACT: Lisa Haas of Fannie Mae, 202-752-7124

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#90309p3479 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PURCHASE, N.Y. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM Corporation and Utility Graphics Consultants (UGC) today announced that they have formed a new business relationship. UGC is a leading geographic information systems (GIS) consulting firm based in Englewood, Colo.

The firm, which will be doing business as UGC Consulting, will provide executive and technical management consulting, offering IBM's clients

assistance in defining strategic information needs, developing implementation strategies, providing overall project management support and offering GIS integration management expertise. As part of the new relationship, IBM has announced that it has made a financial investment in UGC Consulting. IBM and UGC Consulting will focus together on enterprises seeking to integrate GIS within their overall computing environment.

"Our customers tell us they want earlier, more cost-effective solutions for a variety of complex GIS problems, and these solutions must be strategically integrated," said Denny Sigloh, IBM's director of Geographic Information Systems. "Many of these customer requirements dictate the need for a broad base of in-depth GIS skills and a single organization to assume full responsibility for the solution. This new strategic relationship, which broadens IBM's GIS team, contributes significantly to providing that capability."

UGC Consulting President Glenn E. Montgomery said, "There are two primary reasons for our alliance with IBM. The first is IBM's role as a leader in the development of enabling technologies that are critical to an integrated information environment. The second is IBM's significant commitment to the GIS marketplace. IBM's GIS solutions, coupled with its historic strength in information management, make IBM a strong choice to accomplish the objective of a fully integrated information environment across the total enterprise."

In October 1989, IBM acquired an equity interest in Geographic Systems Corporation, a provider of GIS solutions based in Green Bay, Wis. IBM, GSC and UGC Consulting will team together to address evolving GIS requirements.

IBM and UGC Consulting will be discussing their new relationship at a press conference during the GIS/LIS conference in Anaheim, Calif., on Nov. 8, 1990.

CONTACT: Ken W. Sayers of IBM Corporation, 914-697-6537, or Steve V. Gerard of UGC Consulting, 303-773-6166

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#90309p3480 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - In an emergency motion filed Friday afternoon in U.S. Bankruptcy Court, General Development Corporation (NYSE: GDV) suggested that its stockholders were not likely to receive any distribution in its pending bankruptcy proceedings.

The motion sought reconsideration of the Bankruptcy Court's ruling last Wednesday that the company must hold its 1990 annual meeting of stockholders on Dec. 28. At a hearing held earlier today, the Bankruptcy Court granted the company's motion and vacated its prior ruling that the annual meeting be held on Dec. 28.

In moving Friday to reverse the setting of a date for its 1990 annual meeting, the company argued that the substantial expense and diversion of management resources that would be required to prepare for and conduct that meeting on such short notice would be "in gross disparity to the economic rights and interests, if any, of the equity holders" in the company's bankruptcy proceedings.

Noting that The Palmieri Company, the business consultant retained to assist the company in the formulation of a business plan and plan of reorganization, is scheduled to make a presentation to the Bankruptcy Court by Dec. 5, 1990, on its progress and recommendations.

The company's motion continued by stating: "It is the (company's) belief that in all likelihood the Palmieri report will demonstrate that under every conceivable reorganization or liquidation scenario the unsecured creditors in this case will receive substantially less than full payment of their claims."

A company spokesperson today reconfirmed the company's view of its likely insolvency, noting that, if such view were correct, absent a consensual plan of reorganization in which the company's creditors agreed to the contrary, the Bankruptcy Code's "absolute priority rule" would likely preclude any distribution in respect of shareholder interests.

The company spokesperson added that the company was unable to predict whether or when any plan of reorganization, consensual or otherwise, might be confirmed in the company's bankruptcy case.

CONTACT: Nelly Medel of General Development Corporation, (305) 859-4256.

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#90309p3481 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Quest Medical Inc. (NASDAQ: QMED) today announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the third quarter, net revenues were $1.4 million compared to $1.3 million in the same period of 1989. The net loss was $115,000, or 2 cents per share, including an unrealized loss of $309,000 on the company's investment in Kirschner Medical Corp. and a loss of $100,000 from release of indebtedness. Net earnings in the year-earlier period were $962,000, or 16 cents per share, including a net gain of $1.1 million from the sale of the company's investment in HemoTec Inc.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net revenues were $4.4 million, compared to $4.6 million in the same period last year. Net earnings were $1 million, or 18 cents per share, compared to $3.6 million, or 58 cents per share, in the year-earlier period. The respective periods included net gains from favorable court rulings of $1.2 million in 1990 and $2.6 million in 1989.

The 1990 period also included an unrealized loss of $639,000 on the Kirschner investment and the $100,000 loss from release of indebtedness; the 1989 period included a net gain of $1.1 million on sale of the HemoTec investment.

Thomas C. Thompson, President of Quest, commented that the company showed profits in both the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 before taking the charge-offs for the Kirschner investment and the release of indebtedness.

Dallas-based Quest Medical develops, manufactures and markets proprietary products for the hospital market.

CONTACT: Thomas C. Thompson of Quest Medical Inc., 214-387-2740 ; or Larry Howell of Howell Communications, 214-340-9994, for Quest Medical

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#90309p3482 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

GARDENA, CALIF. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - American Honda Motor Co. Inc. reports third 10-day, month-to-date and year-to-date automobile sales for October 1990:

	3rd 10-day 10/21-10/31		Month-to-date October		Year-to-date 1/1-10/31		
	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989	Total
American Honda			73,417	66,120	729,366	655,622	
Honda Div. Ttl			62,254	55,255	609,252	534,050	
Acura Div. Ttl			11,163	10,865	120,114	121,572	
Import sales			37,185	35,403	327,621	331,537	
Honda div.			26,022	24,538	207,507	209,965	
Acura div.			11,163	10,865	120,114	121,572	Domestic sales
Honda div.	14,882	15,605	36,232	30,717	401,745	324,085	
Model breakouts by division: Honda Div. Tlt (Imp & Domestic)			62,254	55,255	609,252	534,050	
Civic(a)			23,557	20,368	221,841	198,945	
Accord(a)			36,033	32,541	353,571	295,829	
Prelude			2,664	2,346	33,840	39,276	
(a)Domestic ttl memo	14,882	15,605	36,232	30,717	401,745	324,085	
Civics	5,692	7,272	13,550	15,339	164,070	146,152	
Accords	9,190	8,333	22,682	15,378	237,675	177,933	
Acura Div. Ttl			11,163	10,865	120,114	121,572	
Legend			3,445	5,571	45,610	55,241	
Integra			7,448	5,294	73,969	66,331	
NSX			270		535		

CONTACT: Kurt Antonius of American Honda Motor Co. Inc., 213-604-2584

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ATHLONE, IRELAND (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Elan Corporation plc (AMEX: ELN) today said earnings for its second quarter ended Sept. 30 rose 148 percent to IRP 1.4 million (US$2.4 million), or IRP .09 (US$0.15) per share, from IRP 679,000 (US$967,000), or IRP 0.04 (US$0.06) per share in the year-ago period.

Revenue for the quarter was IRP 8,438,000 (US$14,467,000) vs. IRP 8,156,000 (US$11,613,000) for fiscal 1990's second quarter.

Revenue for the six months ended Sept. 30 increased 22 percent to IRP 20,255,000 (US $34,727,000) vs. IRP 16,557,000 (US$23,576,000) a year ago.

Net income for the six months of IRP 2,790,000 (US$4,783,000) compared to a net income of IRP 1,334,000 (US$1.9 million) last year. Earnings per share were IRP 0.17 (US$0.30) compared to IRP 0.08 (US$1.12)

Commenting on the results, Elan's chairman and chief executive officer, Donald E. Panoz said:

"I am pleased to report continued growth at Elan for the first half of fiscal 1991. These results reflect improved performance from each of Elan's businesses, and more efficient operation from our manufacturing facilities."

Panoz attributed the results for the quarter and the half year to the licensing and subsequent launch in the United States of Verelan(R) by Lederle Laboratories and its co-marketing partners Wyeth-Ayerst and A. H. Robins and to the continuing sales growth in the United States of Cardizem SR(R).

Elan Corporation plc is a leader in the specialized health care field of advanced reformulation and drug delivery technologies, concentrating on improved drug absorption and utilization. Elan operates research and manufacturing facilities in Athlone, Republic of Ireland; Enschede, Netherlands; Manila, Philippines; Cambridge, Mass.; Gainesville, Ga., and Brea Calif.

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ST. PAUL, MN (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Yukon Energy Corporation (NASDAQ: YUKN) today announced record third quarter sales and earnings for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales rose 13 percent to $1,258,000 compared to $1,115,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the period increased 60 percent to $109,000, compared to $68,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Income per share was 2 cents for the third quarter compared to 2 cents a share during the third quarter of 1989. For the nine month period net income is 0 cents per share compared to a loss of 3 cents per share at the nine month period during 1989.

"With a reduction in R&D expenditures, and increased sales, we had a record third quarter," said Dave Tjosvold, president of Yukon. "We are pleased that our energy-efficient furnaces are being well received in the marketplace. In our drive to return to profitability we are benefiting by the past few years of heavy R&D, culminating in products that are exactly right for today's market needs. During the last oil crisis, Yukon experienced a significant increase in business. If this current uncertainty in oil prices continues, Yukon is in a strong position to provide extremely energy-efficient furnaces in a variety of styles which benefit users by dramatically reducing their oil and gas heating bills. If the interest in our furnaces continues, and given the current strong backlog, we should return to profitability for the year."

Yukon Energy Corporation develops, manufactures, and markets a variety of energy-efficient residential and light commercial furnaces. These furnaces employ advanced heating technology and proprietary features to achieve total home comfort with substantial fuel savings. The company's product lines consist of several new, patented, high- technology gas and oil-fired furnaces, as well as a line of multi-fuel furnaces which burn wood or coal in combination with oil, gas or electric fuel. Products are sold to heating equipment wholesalers and private label manufactured for large marketing partners.

The company's common stock is traded over-the-counter and quoted on NASDAQ under the symbol "YUKN."

YUKON ENERGY CORP. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except earnings per share)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Sales	$1,258	$1,115	$2,316	$1,825
Net loss	$109	$68	$(18)	$(124)
Income (loss) per share	$.02	$.02	0	$(.03)
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,720	4,339	4,547	4,229

CONTACT: Dave Tjosvold of Yukon Energy, 612-633-3115.

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PALO ALTO, CA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - At the ONLINE/CD-ROM '90 conference in Washington D.C., today, Dialog Information Services Inc. unveiled DIALOG Menus(SM), an easy-to-use, menu-based version of its highly respected DIALOG(i) online information service.

DIALOG Menus is designed to bring the latest information directly to the desks of busy research, business, and information professionals. It offers menu-assisted access to more than 220 DIALOG databases covering the spectrum of subject areas -- from business and finance to science and engineering, biotechnology to current news. DIALOG Menus databases include the complete text of articles from more than 1,100 journals and newsletters, as well as directory listings, patent records, company financial statements, bibliographic citations, and more.

Drawing on technology used in the development of other successful menu-based DIALOG products and services such as DIALOG Business Connection(i) and KNOWLEDGE INDEX(i), the interface for DIALOG Menus was originally introduced in 1989 as part of DIALOG Corporate Connection(i) (DCC), a comprehensive information product intended for end users with little or no online searching experience.

Designed to be administered by information center managers, generally in large corporations or research centers, DIALOG Corporate Connection was an immediate hit with both the managers and their clients. GE's Whitney Library, an early subscriber to the service, received more than 120 password requests within a week, and typical comments have noted that, "The ability to search on my own is a real plus." DIALOG Corporate Connection has been equally well received in other organizations, and currently more than 2,000 subscribers are using the service.

Dialog Information Services is the acknowledged world leader in electronic information access and delivery. The DIALOG service contains more than 380 databases used by over 125,000 customers in nearly 100 countries. For more information on DIALOG or the new DIALOG Menus, contact Dialog Marketing at 800-334-2564 or 415-858-3785, or via fax, 415-858-7069.

(i) DIALOG, DIALOG Corporate Connection, DIALOG Business Connection, and KNOWLEDGE INDEX are servicemarks, registered U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, and DIALOG Menus is a servicemark of Dialog Information Services Inc., a Knight-Ridder company.

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UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Corporation

(NYSE: WU) announced today that it is extending to midnight on Nov. 19, 1990, the period of its current exchange offer, in which the company is proposing to issue new notes and common shares in exchange for up to $530 million of its presently outstanding 19-1/4 percent senior secured notes and 16 percent notes. The exchange offer had been scheduled to expire at midnight on Nov. 13.

The company also announced that it has scheduled an informational meeting for the holders of its 16 percent notes on Nov. 15. This meeting will be part of an effort by Western Union management to explain to this particular group of debtholders the critical necessity of their participation in the exchange offer.

The meeting for holders of Western Union's 16 percent notes will be held on Nov. 15, 1990, beginning at 10 a.m., at Merrill Lynch Capital Markets, 25th Floor, 250 Vesey Street (World Financial Center - North Tower), in New York City.

Preliminary figures indicate that, as of 9 a.m. today, $345,794,000 aggregate principal amount of the 19-1/4 percent notes and $1,436,000 aggregate principal amount of the 16 percent notes had been tendered in the current exchange offer (including securities as to which delivery has been guaranteed).

CONTACT: Warren R. Bechtel of Western Union, 201-818-5790, or 212-868-8888

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TULSA, OKLA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Penn Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: PPAC) announced it has completed the acquisition of a 50 percent working interest in the "Calcote No. One" oil and gas well in Wheeler County, Texas. The 19,000-foot well was recently tested at 2.3 million cubic feet of gas and 72 barrels of oil per day. The multizone producer and acreage was acquired for an undisclosed amount of cash and Penn stock. Included in this acquisition are 800 adjacent acres for future offset wells.

CONTACT: David N. Shroff of Penn Pacific Corp., 918-492-0826, or Maurice Levy for Penn Pacific Corp., 714-724-9377

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HIGHLAND PARK, MI (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) reported an increase of 7.5 percent in total car sales for the final ten days of October, finishing the month with 88,027 sales, its best month for car sales since August 1989.

All of the company's car brands registered increases for the month with Chrysler up 20 percent, Eagle up 11 percent, Dodge up eight percent and

Plymouth up three percent.

Nearly all models registered increases. Plymouth Acclaim was the volume leader for the month on sales of 13,308, up 30 percent. Dodge Dynasty sales of 11,850 were up 21 percent, Dodge Spirit sales of 11,061 were up 23 percent, and the Dodge Shadow and Plymouth Sundance combined for more than 15,000 sales with increases of 21 percent and 14 percent, respectively. Other significant increases were posted by Chrysler New Yorker and LeBaron nameplates, Plymouth Laser and Eagle Talon.

Plymouth Voyager and Dodge Caravan minivan sales were up nine percent and one percent, respectively, for the final ten-day period of the month. Jeep Wrangler posted a four-percent gain.

TOTAL CARS	1990	1989	Pct. Change	Selling Days 1990	Selling Days 1989
Oct. 21-31	34,406	31,995	+ 7.5	9	9
Oct. 1-31	88,027	82,724	+ 2.5	27	26
Jan. 1-Oct. 31	729,732	888,574	-18.2	257	256
DOMESTIC CARS					
Oct. 21-31	31,435	28,550	+10.1		
Oct. 1-31	81,250	73,607	+ 6.3		
Jan. 1-Oct. 31	674,269	798,213	-15.9		
TOTAL TRUCKS					
Oct. 21-31	27,351	30,676	-10.8		
Oct. 1-31	63,439	76,083	-19.7		
Jan. 1-Oct. 31	719,036	832,003	-13.9		
DOMESTIC TRUCKS					
Oct. 21-31	26,818	29,210	- 8.2		
Oct. 1-31	62,207	72,255	-17.1		
Jan. 1-Oct. 31	707,599	798,296	-11.7		
TOTAL VEHICLES					
Oct. 21-31	61,757	62,671	- 1.5		
Oct. 1-31	151,466	158,807	- 8.2		
Jan. 1-Oct. 31	1,448,768	1,720,577	-16.1		

All changes are computed on a daily rate basis.

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CAMDEN, N.J. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Campbell Soup Co. (NYSE: CPB) today

announced that it has signed a letter of intent to sell its Sumter, S.C. frozen food and poultry growing operations to Gold Kist Inc. of Atlanta.

Terms of the anticipated sale were not announced. Gold Kist Inc. is a diversified agricultural cooperative association, headquartered in Atlanta. It serves approximately 32,000 members who farm in the Southeastern states and other customers in many locations in the United States and in foreign markets.

The sale involves the Sumter plant, a poultry feed mill, hatchery and two grain storage facilities. The Sumter plant was opened in June, 1966, and is located three miles from Sumter, at 2050 Highway 15 South on approximately 685 acres of land.

CONTACT: C. Scott Rombach, 609-342-6422, or David C. Hackney, 609-342-6429, both of Campbell Soup

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - First Capital Holdings Corp. (NYSE: FCH) today announced net income of $6.5 million or $.14 per fully diluted share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $18.7 million or $.40 per fully diluted share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Company President Gerry R. Ginsberg states "When adjusted for capital gains and losses and income tax rate differentials, net income was within $.02 per fully diluted share of the comparable prior year quarter."

Net income included net capital losses of $5.7 million or a loss of $.12 per fully diluted share for the 1990 quarter compared with net capital gains of $1.2 million or a gain of $.02 per fully diluted share for the 1989 quarter. These amounts include additions to investment reserves of $8.0 million, net of income taxes, or $.17 per fully diluted share for the 1990 quarter compared with additions to investment reserves of $5.6 million, net of taxes, or $.12 per fully diluted share for the comparable prior year quarter. The 1989 quarter benefited by approximately $4.5 million from a lower tax rate while 1990 benefited from a gain of $2.0 million on the extinguishment of $5 million of senior subordinated debt. Ginsberg added, "Reserve strengthening in the quarter is consistent with our previously announced program of balance sheet improvement."

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $31.7 million or $.68 per fully diluted share compared with $52.0 milion or $1.12 per fully diluted share in the first nine months of 1990.

Premiums received were $304 million for the 1990 quarter compared with $684 million for the 1989 quarter, reflecting the continuing trend toward slower growth. Premiums received for the first nine months of 1990 were $1.0 billion compared with $2.2 billion for the same period last year. Shareholders'

equity was $408 million or $8.74 per common share, an increase of $26 million from Dec. 31, 1989.

First Capital Holdings Corp. is a financial services holdings company whose principal subsidiaries are First Capital Life Insurance Company headquartered in San Diego, Fidelity Bankers Life Insurance Company based in Richmond, Va., and World-Wide Reassurance Company Ltd. with offices in Windsor, England.

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DETROIT (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are unit sales for the 10-day period Oct. 21-31, for Lincoln-Mercury Division:

	Current	Year-ago
Grand Marquis	2,890	2,815
Cougar	2,401	2,216
Sable	3,035	2,864
Topaz	1,424	1,908
Tracer	1,918	1,347
Capri	642	---
Lincoln Town Car	4,597	3,610
Mark VII	351	511
Continental	1,590	1,809
XR4Ti	---	60
Scorpio	---	435
TOTAL	18,848	17,575

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AMERICAN FORK, UTAH (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Shareholders of Deseret Bancorporation today approved a merger agreement under which First Security Corp. (NASDAQ: FSCO) will acquire the Utah County-based Deseret Bank and its holding company, Deseret Bancorporation. The announcement was made by Kay L. Jacobs, chairman of the board of Deseret Bancorporation.

Under the terms of the agreement, Deseret Bank's banking offices will merge into First Security Bank of Utah, N.A., at the close of business of Nov. 9. Shareholders of Deseret Bancorporation will receive First Sercurity common stock in exchange for their Deseret Bancorporation shares. The exact exchange ratio will be determined at the close of business on Nov. 9.

The merger has been approved by the Federal Reserve Board, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and the Utah State Department of Financial Institutions. It also has been reviewed by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Spencer F. Eccles, chairman and chief executive officer of First Security, said, "We are delighted to welcome such a well-managed, well-capitalized, well-known banking organization into the First Security system. The merger of our two strong Utah banks will benefit customers, employees and shareholders alike."

Deseret Bank operates six branches in Provo, Orem, Lehi, American Fork, Pleasant Grove and Lindon. It has assets of $112.3 million, deposits of $97.8 million and loans outstanding of $60.4 million. Its total capital exceeds $13 million.

With assets of $3.38 billion, First Security Bank of Utah is the state's largest financial institution. Its parent company, First Security Corp., is the largest financial services organization headquartered in the Intermountain West. Founded in 1928, First Security Corp. is the oldest continuously operating multistate bank holding company in the United States. It operates 181 full-service banking offices in Utah, Idaho, Oregon and Wyoming. Other subsidiaries include a leasing company, two insurance companies, an investment management firm and a discount brokerage.

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SPRINGFIELD, VA. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Versar, Inc. (AMEX: VSR) has announced the availability of a product emissions testing chamber at the facilities of its wholly owned subsidiary GEOMET Technologies, Inc. in Germantown, Md.

Recent studies have shown that many pollutant levels are often significantly higher indoors than outdoors. Since people spend approximately 90 percent of their time indoors, poor indoor air quality ("sick building" syndrome) has become a serious concern for many. Symptoms include eye, nose and throat irritation; headaches; nausea; dizziness and lethargy. In offices, "sick building" syndrome has been blamed for increased absenteeism and reduced productivity. Major indoor pollutant sources include building materials, furnishings, floor coverings, office machines and a variety of consumer products.

The GEOMET state-of-the-art product emissions testing chamber is designed specifically to measure the pollutant emissions of products used indoors. The chamber is capable of testing for a wide variety of pollutant emissions

under precisely controlled airflow, humidity and thermal conditions. Products that can be tested include building materials such as paints and sealants; furniture and furnishings including carpets and particleboard or plywood products; household appliances; office machines; and consumer products such as cleaners , sprays and hobbyists' materials. For more comprehensive emission testing, GEOMET maintains two houses that are dedicated to the analysis and testing of product emissions under full-scale, "real world" conditions.

Versar provides a wide range of scientific and technical services to solve environmental and health and safety problems caused by pollutants, hazardous materials and toxic substances.

CONTACT: Dr. Robert Ouellette, vice president, corporate development, Versar Inc., 703-750-3000

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FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CALIF. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Hyundai Motor America today announced that it sold 10,202 automobiles in the month of October, 1990.

Following is the sales breakdown:

Car Line	October/90	October/89	CY 90	CY 89
Sonata	1,596	3,120	25,222	29,270
Excel	6,887	11,543	86,337	131,435
Scoupe	1,719	---	2,369	---
Total	10,202	14,663	113,928	160,705

Hyundai Motor America has sold over 993,963 vehicles since entering the U.S. market in 1986. Besides introducing the new midsize Sonata V-6 and an all new redesigned version in 1990 of the award-winning Excel, the company introduced the Scoupe, a sporty car, aimed at young buyers seeking stylish, economical transportation.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Marcade Group, Inc. (NYSE: MAR) announced today that it has entered into an agreement with Robert Shipman, who had been president of RJMJ, Inc. a wholly owned subsidiary of Marcade engaged in apparel manufacturing and merchandising. Marcade had purchased RJMJ from Shipman on July 31, 1989.

Among other things, the agreement involved a reduction in the original purchase price paid by Marcade to Shipman by reducing obligations of RJMJ to

Shipman in the amount of approximately $2,650,000. In addition, Shipman's employment arrangement, which granted him significant participation in RJMJ's future earnings, was terminated.

"This agreement improves RJMJ's balance sheet and cash flow, and also permits Marcade's senior management to assume operating control of RJMJ," said Charles S. Ramat, president of Marcade.

"We are already implementing more sophisticated financial controls and reporting systems and are in the process of consolidating manufacturing operations for RJMJ with those of certain of our other entities so that we can utilize the most effective sourcing available on a worldwide basis. I also look forward to utilizing Mr. Shipman's know-how and experience in a consultative capacity."

Marcade had net sales of $377,651,000 in fiscal year ended Jan. 31, 1990. Its other operating divisions are Marlene, Booth Bay, Europe Craft Imports (Members Only), Perry Manufacturing Company and Above-the-Belt.

CONTACT: Charles S. Ramat of Marcade, 212-935-8484.

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JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - American Heritage Life Investment Corporation (NYSE: AHL) and American Heritage Life Insurance Company announced the acquisition of a block of Ordinary Life Business from Pacific Fidelity Life Insurance Company of California.

The premiums purchased amount to $13,800,000 annually. The insurance volume in force amounts to $243,000,000; and the assets of the company are increased by $109,000,000. This will bring the assets of American Heritage Life Investment Corporation to approximately $750,000,000.

T. O'Neal Douglas, president and chief executive officer, said, "This business is very compatible with an existing block of business which is already in force and profitable at American Heritage Life."

American Heritage Life Investment Corporation is a life insurance-oriented holding company, based in Jacksonville, Fla., whose principal subsidiary is American Heritage Life Insurance Company.

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VALHALLA, NY (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - ComponentGuard, Inc. (NASDAQ: PLUGC; warrants: PLUWC), a provider of name brand extended service plans on a wide range of electronics products, today announced fiscal 1990 results in light of a change in the company's method of recognizing revenue and expensing costs.

In its financial reporting prior to the third quarter of the recently completed fiscal year, ComponentGuard had recognized revenue and expenses in full in the period they were received or incurred, and accrued an estimate for future claims. Under the revised method of accounting, which is being retroactively applied to prior periods, net revenues and direct selling expenses are not recognized for approximately the first five months after the sale of a warranty contract and are thereafter recognized during the subsequent 36 months using the straight line method. The period of recognition approximates the period that an extended warranty contract becomes and remains effective.

Under the new method of accounting, net revenues increased to $782,497 for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990, from $67,665 for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1989. In addition, under this new method, $5,408,903 of $5,746,666 in revenues from sales of extended warranty contracts during the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990, were deferred to future periods. At July 31, 1990, the company's financial statements included $6,396,358 of deferred revenues associated with extended service contracts and $1,007,792 of deferred costs associated with such contracts. These amounts will be recognized in future periods, along with non-deferred expenses (which will include the actual service expenses) incurred in those periods.

In view of the costs associated with the expanded level of activities of the company, under the revised accounting method, the company reported a fiscal year loss of $3,428,822, or 17 cents per share, compared with a loss of $1,390,776, or 7 cents per share, in fiscal 1989.

The change in accounting method was promoted by comments from the Securities and Exchange Commission when it reviewed the registration statement for the company's publicly traded stock purchase warrants earlier this year. The new method of revenue recognition was determined after discussions with the SEC as to the current status of generally accepted accounting principles applicable to the company's revenue generation. Similar restatements have also been announced by several of the company's competitors, suggesting an industry-wide move toward greater conservatism in treating revenue and profit recognition.

Robert P. Minnick, ComponentGuard president and chief executive officer, attributed the company's record twelve month growth in sales of extended warranty contracts to advertising efforts that have promoted ComponentGuard to both the consumer and the consumer electronics retailer as the only brand name extended service contract, and to the success of the GUARDMAN program introduced at the end of fiscal 1989. GUARDMAN has distinguished itself as the country's first packaged "off- the-shelf" extended service plan.

COMPONENTGUARD, INC.

Year ended July 31:	1990	1989
Revenues from sales of extended service contracts	$5,746,666	$1,421,629
Less: Deferred revenue	5,408,903	1,375,627
Current deferred revenue earned	337,763	46,002
Prior deferred revenue earned	444,734	21,663
Other revenue	55,395	--
Net revenue	837,892	67,665
Net (loss)	(3,428,822)	(1,390,776)
Net (loss) per common share	(.17)	(.07)
Wtd. avg. no. of common shares outstanding	20,336,435	19,082,807

Balance Sheet July 31, 1990

Cash	$1,280,195
Deferred costs associated with extended service contracts	1,007,792
Total assets	6,170,388
Working capital	1,387,021
Deferred revenues associated with extended service contracts	6,396,358
Stockholders equity	(3,622,796)
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	6,170,388

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SANDUSKY, OHIO (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Cedar Fair, L.P. (NYSE: FUN), a publicly traded partnership which owns and operates two seasonal amusement/theme parks, today announced record revenues and net income for the third quarter of 1990.

Net revenues increased 4 percent to $88.3 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $84.6 million in the comparable quarter last year. Net income for the period was $42.4 million, or $1.98 per limited partner unit up 6 percent from $40.0 million, or $1.87 per unit, in 1989.

Cedar Point, located on Lake Erie between Cleveland and Toledo, and Valleyfair near Minneapolis/St. Paul, concluded their 130-day and 120- day operating seasons on Sept. 30.

Richard L. Kinzel, president and chief executive officer of Cedar Fair Management Company, the managing general partner of Cedar Fair, L.P., explained that virtually all of Cedar Fair's gross income is realized during the operating season from early May to late September, with the major portion concentrated in the peak vacation months of July and August.

"We are extremely pleased with the record third quarter results," Kinzel said. "On a combined basis, the increase in revenues resulted from a 6 percent increase in in-park guest per capita spending offset by a 2 percent decrease in attendance at our parks for the quarter. We worked very hard this summer to control our operating costs and the efforts are reflected at the bottom line and in our cash distribution increase."

Cedar Fair's cash distribution was increased 16 percent to an annual rate of $1.45 with the third quarter distribution of 36.25 cents per unit, declared on Sept. 18 and payable Nov. 15 to holders of record Oct. 5.

For the entire 1990 operating season, combined in-park guest per capita spending rose 5 percent and combined attendance decreased 4 percent from 1989's record level. Kinzel explained that world-class roller coasters were introduced at both parks in 1989, and the partnership historically experiences a small decline in attendance in the year following the addition of major new thrill rides. Given this and the added impact of unusually poor weather, particularly on weekends, experienced by both parks during the 1990 season, Kinzel said the partnership was very pleased that combined attendance exceeded 4 million visitors for the fourth time in the past five years.

Looking ahead to the 1991 operating season, Kinzel noted that $12 million in capital expenditures are already underway at the partnership's two parks, including a $7.5 million wooden roller coaster at Cedar Point. Named "Mean Streak," the new wooden coaster will be the highest and fastest in the world and is expected to be ready for opening day in May 1991. Capital expenditures at Valleyfair will total $2.5 million and will include a 36-hole Adventure Golf attraction and a 1,200 foot Grand Prix-style go-kart track.

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PONTIAC, MI (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Pontiac Sunbird set an any-month sales record in October and Grand Prix posted its best ten-day and October marks since its reintroduction in 1988 to help propel Pontiac Division vehicle sales to a 5.9-percent increase in October over the same year-ago month.

Sunbird posted the best single month since its in introduction as a 1982 model with sales of 17,168 units in October, up 36.9 percent from October 1989. The previous all-time sales month for Sunbird was set in May 1984 when 14,984

units were delivered. Sunbird's 1990 calendar-year sales of 103,391 units through October are up 17.9 percent from last year.

Grand Prix sales of 3,883 cars during the final ten-day period of October were 28.8 percent over the same period last year, while October sales were up 32.7 percent from October 1989 with a total of 10,377 units sold. To date, calendar-year sales of Grand Prix are 102,862 units, a 4.3-percent gain from the 1989 calendar-year pace.

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ROCKY MOUNT, NC (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - After nearly a year in the making, Peoples Bancorporation (AMEX: PBK) and The Planters Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: PNBT) have merged to become Centura Banks, Inc (NYSE: CBC). The new bank, which officially opened for business across the state at 9 a.m. today, ranks as North Carolina's seventh largest bank holding company, with assets of approximately $2.6 billion.

"We are celebrating the birth of a new company and opening the door to the future today," said Centura chief executive officer, J. Richard Futrell, Jr., at news conferences held in Rocky Mount and Raleigh this morning. "Centura Banks will build and strengthen the tradition of unwavering banking excellence that both Peoples and Planters banks had in North Carolina. We have hand-picked the best elements and features of both and have created a progressive, dynamic bank to take us through the 1990s and into the 21st century."

Futrell and Robert R. Mauldin, Centura's president and chief operating officer presided over the cutting of a ceremonial ribbon to officially open the new bank. Similar ceremonies and news conferences were held at Centura Banks across the state.

During the news conferences, officials also announced the bank's kickoff of a major statewide advertising campaign, which will be the largest advertising campaign in the history of either Peoples or Planters. Beginning November 4, Centura will air more than 5,000 television ads, 4,000 radio ads, and hundreds of print and billboard ads across North Carolina to introduce the new bank. The focus of the ads is the bank's commitment to personalized customer service.

"We want quality to be Centura's hallmark," Mauldin said. "You will see it in our new look, in our ads, and in our new products and services. Most importantly, you will see it in our employees. Our goal is to make sure every customer walks away from Centura Banks truly glad they are doing business with us."

More than 1,600 Centura employees will operate 116 Centura branches in North Carolina, from Kitty Hawk to Boone. The merger is intended to offer enhanced products and services to customers, expand market share and offer more convenient locations throughout the state. It will also, according to bank officials, enhance the bank's profit potential and put the bank in a better position to compete.

"As one of the 200 largest banks in the nation, we have created a more powerful financial institution that will provide exceptional opportunities for our customers, employees and shareholders," Futrell said. "Our success strategy is based on the simple philosophy that excellent service will bring us more customers, and more customers will help us achieve outstanding financial performance."

In what is considered by many to be a troubled banking environment, this "merger of equals" has allowed Centura to emerge with strong asset quality and opportunities for operational efficiencies. Centura's asset quality ranks among the best of similar-sized banks nationwide.

Under a pooling of interests arrangement, stockholders will receive one share in the new company for each share of Peoples or Planters common stock held on the closing date. As of the date of the merger, almost 11,000 shareholders own the almost 14 million shares of Centura stock available on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE: CBC).

Centura will be a state-chartered bank and a member of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond. This designation will give Centura more flexibility in acquiring nonbank financial companies such as insurance and travel agencies. However, for the time being, officials said, Centura management and staff alike will be concentrating all of their efforts on making the merger a success.

The management of Centura Banks will be overseen by a 26-member board of directors and an eight-member executive committe, made up of an equal number of members from each bank. Under the merger agreement, Futrell will serve as the bank's CEO and chairman, while Mauldin will be president and chief operating officer. In April 1993, Mauldin will succeed Futrell as CEO, at which time Futrell will become executive committee chairman.

With 102 branches, Centura Bank is the company's largest subsidiary; other banks held by Centura Banks, Inc. include Watauga Savings with four branches and headquarters in Boone, and Mid-South Bank & Trust with 10 branches and headquarters in Sanford. The new company will maintain its headquarters in Rocky Mount, which has been home to Peoples and Planters for a combined 150 years.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Dan Ozley, general manager of Scientific-Atlanta's (NYSE: SFA) Broadcast Satellite System Division, has been elected chairman of the board of the United States Distance Learning Association (USDLA).

The election was announced during the USDLA's annual meeting conducted at the TeleCon X in San Jose.

The USDLA was founded in 1988 as a non-profit organization of educators and corporate trainers who use technology to deliver courses, seminars or corporate training.

Ozley succeeds Dr. Ralph D. Mills, California State University System. Ozley has more tha 20 years experience in the systems project management field, specifically related to electronics, broadcasting and satellite systems.

He began his telecommunications career in 1977 at the broadcast division of the Harris Corp., where he was responsible for the management of major radio and television transmission and studio systems throughout the United States. He has also had extensive international telecommunications experience including assignments in the Middle East, Africa and South America.

From 1983 to 1984 Ozley directed the design, manufacturing, integration, installation and maintenance of the NBC Satellite Television System.

In 1985 he joined Scientific-Atlanta where he has been responsible for the successful implementation of more than 70 satellite uplink projects including the CBS Television Distribution System, various education networks including the National Technological University System, Community College Satellite Network and a number of independent educational telecommunications systems.

Scientific-Atlanta Inc. is a leader in cable television electronics and satellite-based communications networks and is a key supplier of electronic instrumentation for industrial, telecommunications and government applications worldwide.

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MIDLAND PARK, NJ (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The GMI Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: GMED) with operations in advertising and color photography lab services, today

announced that because of continuing operating losses its Mann & Greene Color, Inc. (MGI) subsidiary is discontinuing operations. MGI has agreed to allow a competitor, Authenticolor, Inc., to employ certain of its salesmen in consideration for certain payments to be made by Authenticolor, Inc. to MGI based on sales to MGI's current customers. MGI was established by the company in April 1990 to conduct the business previously conducted by the company's Mann & Greene Division.

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FAIRFIELD, NJ (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Cantel Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: CATBC) today reported that Stendig, Inc. has ceased its business operations and will not be able to honor its obligations under a $2.75 million note given to Cantel as partial payment for certain assets purchased by Stendig in 1989. The carrying value of the note had been reduced to $1.0 million in April 1990.

Cantel has taken possession of the collateral which secured the note and intends to sell or otherwise dispose of the assets. These assets consist primarily of inventory, accounts receivable, trademarks and tradenames. No reasonable estimate can be made as to what will be realized upon the disposition of these assets.

Cantel has also cancelled its subleases with Stendig for properties on which Cantel is the prime tenant. Minimum annual rental obligations under those leases are approximately $270,000 through June 1997 and $80,000 from July 1997 through September 1999. Cantel is actively seeking to sublet or otherwise reduce its obligations under the leases.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlanta Gas Light Company (NYSE: ATG) will refund $16,342,000 as a credit on customers' November bills.

The refund money from the company's pipeline suppliers will be distributed to customers according to a plan approved by the Georgia Public Service Commission.

The gas company will begin mailing bills with a refund credit on Nov. 5 and will continue sending them to each eligible customer whose meter is read in November.

To be eligible for a refund, residential customers had to have received

service from the gas company in March 1990 or July 1990. Refunds will average $9.13 to residential customers. The exact amount of each residential customer's refund will be based on the amount of natural gas used during March and July. Customers who did receive service during those months, but are no longer customers, are also due a refund and should contact the gas company to provide a forwarding address and billing information. Refunds to commercial and industrial customers generally will be larger because their usage of natural gas is greater.

The refund is primarily the result of rulings by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) involving pipeline suppliers' rate cases. The refund includes interest earned on the money while it was held prior to the refund.

"Our company has consistently sought lower gas costs through our participation in the process by which our suppliers' rates are regulated at the federal level," said Charles W. Bass, senior vice president-governmental and regulatory affairs for Atlanta Gas Light Company. "This refund is largely the result of that effort."

Pipeline suppliers of Atlanta Gas Light Company are permitted to put new rates into effect pending the outcome of their rate cases before the FERC. At the conclusion of each rate case, the FERC-approved lower rates are applied retroactively to calculate the amount of money to be set aside for refund. The total $16 million refund is the result of FERC decisions affecting Southern Natural Gas Company, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation, East Tennessee Natural Gas Company and South Georgia Natural Gas Company.

Atlanta Gas Light Company is the largest distributor of natural gas in the Southeast, serving 1.1 million customers in 225 Georgia communities. In some areas of the state, it serves under the trade name Georgia Natural Gas Company and it serves the Savannah area as Savannah Gas Company.

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BEAVERTON, ORE (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Mentor Graphics Corp. (NASDAQ: MENT) today announced Joint Marketing Agreements (JMAs) with Zycad Corp. (NASDAQ: ZCAD) and IKOS Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: IKOS). These agreements will expand the hardware acceleration options for the Mentor Graphics Explorer Lsim simulation environment.

The agreements cover the joint promotion and cooperative selling of Mentor Graphics' Lsim product line and the hardware accelerator products of Zycad and IKOS. The Explorer Lsim environment provides industry-leading mixed signal, multi-level simulation targeted at customers in the IC marketplace.

Mentor Graphics and Zycad signed their joint marketing agreement on Oct. 30. The Lsim/Zycad transparent interface will be available in November 1990 from Mentor Graphics. The interface integrates Zycad's XP 100/200 simulation accelerators into the backplane of Mentor Graphics' Lsim Simulation Manager.

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In May 1990, Mentor Graphics and IKOS announced a similar agreement for Mentor Graphics' QuickSim simulation environment. This agreement integrates IKOS' hardware-based simulators with Mentor Graphics' Software Release 7.0 and 8.0 QuickSim environments, and provides for joint marketing between the two companies. In addition, the agreement includes provisions for a worldwide OEM of IKOS products by Mentor Graphics.

Zycad Corp., Menlo Park, Calif., designs, manufactures and markets high-performance logic simulation, design verification, test-generation tools and services for the computer-aided engineering (CAE) industry. Zycad solutions are used to substantially increase engineering productivity in the design, development and test of sophisticated electronic systems and integrated circuits.

IKOS Systems Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and supports advanced simulation systems for the ASIC and system design markets. With certified libraries from over 12 ASIC suppliers, IKOS is the industry's leading supplier of hardware-assisted simulators used for ASIC design. Headquartered in Sunnyvale, Calif., the company employs more than 100 people worldwide. IKOS is publicly traded over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol IKOS.

Mentor Graphics Corp., Beaverton, Ore., was established in 1981 to design, manufacture, market and service electronic design automation (EDA) systems. The company is the leader in worldwide EDA sales, with revenues of $433,781,000 over the last 12 months. The company currently employs more than 2,600 people. In addition to its corporate offices in Beaverton, Mentor Graphics has sales and support offices in 66 locations worldwide. The company's headquarters are located at 8500 S.W. Creekside Place, Beaverton, OR 97005.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Carlyle Group announced today that John C. Marous, the recently retired chairman and chief executive officer of Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX), has become senior advisor to Carlyle, effective Nov. 1.

The firm's management stated that Marous will be assisting the Carlyle Group with the operations of its existing assets and with the acquisition of additional assets.

Frank Carlucci, vice chairman of the Carlyle Group and former secretary of defense and national security advisor, said: "John Marous did a spectacular job leading Westinghouse and is no doubt one of the nation's leading industrialists. Carlyle is very fortunate to have John associated with us, and we are confident that he will be an invaluable addition to the firm.

The Carlyle Group is a private merchant bank based in Washington, D.C., and owned in part by the Richard King Mellon family of Pennsylvania. In the past two years, the Carlyle Group has led partnerships that have purchased Coldwell Banker Commercial Group, Ticketron, Marriott In-Flite Services and BDM International. This year, companies for which Carlyle has led acquisitions will have revenues in excess of $2 billion.

The managing directors of Carlyle include Carlucci, William E. Conway Jr., Daniel A. D'Aniello, Stephen L. Norris and David M. Rubenstein. Fred Malek, formerly president of Marriott Hotels and currently vice chairman of Northwest Airlines, also serves as senior advisor to Carlyle.

Marous currently is a member of the board of directors of Bell Atlantic, Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co. and the Mellon Bank. He is also chairman of the University of Pittsburgh board of trustees and chairman of the U.S.-Japan Business Council.

Prior to being elected chairman, Marous served as president of the corporation's Industries and International Group, which included businesses involved globally in the development, manufacture and marketing of a wide variety of electrical and electronic products for industrial, construction and utility markets.

Marous joined Westinghouse on the graduate student training program in 1949. He held a series of key sales and marketing positions in electronic and construction products divisions and was named executive vice president of the Construction Group 1973.

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WESTBURY, N.Y. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of the Olsten Corporation (AMEX: OLS), have authorized the repurchase of up to $10 million in face amount of the company's 7 percent convertible subordinated debentures due April 1, 2013, it was announced here today. The debentures, which closed Friday at $61, are listed on the American Stock Exchange.

The company said the purchases will be made from time to time in the open market or in private transactions.

Olsten, headquartered here, is a major supplier of temporary personnel to business, industry and health care organizations with its network of 545 offices in the United States and Canada.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE -Serv-Tech Inc. (NASDAQ: STEC) announced that it has been awarded a contract by Star Enterprise for a major revamp of its fluid catalytic cracker No. 3 unit at the Port Arthur, Texas refinery. Preliminary work will begin immediately, with a scheduled completion date of April 1991. The contract, which exceeds $7 million, involves the removal of the existing regenerator head, along with 39 cyclones, and the installation of the new head.

Richard W. Krajicek, president, stated that award of this contract confirms Serv-Tech's position as a major provider of specialized maintenance services to the hydrocarbon processing industry. With this contract, Serv-Tech backlog is higher than at any time in its history.

Serv-Tech provides specialty maintenance services to the refining, petrochemical and gas processing industries throughout the United States.

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EDMONTON, Alberta (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Echo Bay Mines Ltd. (AMEX: ECO) reported today net earnings of US$5.1 million (US$0.05 per share) in the third quarter of 1990, down from US$9.6 million (US$0.10 per share) in the third quarter of 1989. Quarterly revenues were US$88.9 million this year and US$84.6 million last year.

Earnings in the third quarter were up from the second quarter, when the company reported net earnings of US$778,000 (US$0.01 per share).

Operating cash flow per share was US$0.24, compared with US$0.26 in the third quarter of 1989 and US$0.20 in the second quarter of 1990.

The average price realized per ounce of gold sold during the third quarter was US$406 this year, up 5 percent from US$387 a year ago.

The company produced 208,507 ounces of gold in the third quarter, about 95 percent of last year's record third quarter production of 218,597 ounces, despite a three-week shutdown of the company's largest mill, located at McCoy/Cove in Nevada, principally to correct an environmental problem. A production increase of 59 percent at Round Mountain in Nevada made up for the shortfall at McCoy/Cove.

Production from the company's newest mine, Kettle River in Washington State, largely offset reduced production levels at the Borealis mine in Nevada, which wound down operations in the third quarter after being mined out earlier this year as planned.

Consolidated cash production costs were US$244 per equivalent ounce of gold produced in the quarter, up from US$210 in the year-ago period but down from US$251 in the first half of this year.

At 50 percent-owned Round Mountain in Nevada, third quarter production was up by 59 percent and costs were reduced to US$186 per ounce from US$202 a year earlier. The much higher production and lower costs per ounce were the result of improved ore grade (0.042 vs. 0.029 ounce per ton) and successful debugging of major new facilities installed in a two-year expansion program completed in mid-1989. Quarterly production was 140,686 ounces (Echo Bay's 50 percent share, 70,343 ounces) -- an all-time record. A year ago, Round Mountain produced 88,448 ounces of gold in the third quarter (Echo Bay's half, 44,224 ounces).

Echo Bay is one of the largest gold producers in North America. The company's shares are traded principally on the Toronto and American stock exchanges and on other major exchanges in North America and Europe.

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#90309p3546 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The General Motors (NYSE: GM) board of directors today voted to continue the current dividends on all three classes of GM common stock for the fourth quarter of 1990.

Holders of GM's $1-2/3 par value common stock will receive $0.75 per share; those owning Class E common will receive $0.14 per share; and Class H common stock holders will receive $0.18 per share.

Dividends on all three classes of common stock are payable Dec. 10, 1990 to stockholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

The dividend on GM's $1-2/3 par value common stock has been maintained at its present rate since the first quarter of 1989. Class E and Class H dividends were established at current levels in the first quarter of 1990.

GM's board also declared quarterly dividends of $0.28 per share on Series E-II and E-III preference stock, and $0.36 per share on Series H- II and H-III preference stock. These dividends are also payable Dec. 10, 1990 to stockholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990

In addition, the board declared quarterly dividends of $1.25 per share on $5.00 series preferred stock, $0.9375 per share on $3.75 preferred stock, and $0.715 per share on Series E-I preference stock. The Series E-I preference stock dividend was increased Oct. 1, 1990, following the expiration of a put option available to holders of the stock. Dividends on these three stocks are all payable Feb. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 7, 1991.

CONTACT: William B. Winters of General Motors Corporation, 212-418-6380

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#90309p3549 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - United Technologies Automotive - Engineered Systems Division (ESD), headquartered here, today announced plans to discontinue operations at its Alma Trim Plant in Alma, Mich., effective Feb. 28, 1991.

Company officials cited general downturn in the automotive supply industry, and excess capacity within United Technologies Automotive (UTA), as the reasons for the decision.

The decision affects 152 hourly and 13 salaried personnel. ESD officials are working with other business units within United Technologies Automotive in an effort to place the affected employees in other UTA facilities.

The plant, at 725 E. Superior St. in Alma, supplies General Motors and Chrysler Corporation with such interior automotive trim components as sun visors, door inserts and insulation products.

According to Pete Fisher, director of human resource programs for ESD, the decision to close the plant was made after company officials evaluated current

and projected business volume.

"Business conditions in the automotive supply industry are difficult at this time," Fisher said. "The decision to close a plant is never an easy one to make. But if the volume isn't there, we can't operate a healthy facility."

ESD, a division of United Technologies Automotive, produces interior and exterior automotive trim systems and components, steering wheel products, coupled-hose assemblies, metal stampings and insulation/acoustical products for the worldwide automotive industry.

United Technologies Automotive is a unit of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX) (UTC), headquartered in Hartford, Conn. UTC provides a broad range of high-technology products and support services to the aerospace, building systems and automotive industries.

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#90309p3554 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CALIF (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Exar Corp. (NASDAQ: EXAR) today reported net income and revenue gains for the second quarter and first six months of fiscal 1991, which ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net income of $1,812,000 ($0.35 per share) and $3,408,000 ($0.63 per share), respectively, compared with net income of $1,803,000 ($0.29 per share) and $3,256,000 ($0.53 per share for the comparable periods of the prior year.

Exar reported net sales for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 of $28,681,000, a 32 percent increase over the $21,751,000 recorded during the second quarter a year ago. Sales for the six months of fiscal 1991 totaled $53,669,000. The 34 percent increase over the $39,939,000 reported in the comparable period of fiscal 1990 included a 61 percent increase in sales of custom products and a 90 percent increase in standard products which more than offset decreases in sales of telecommunications products and sales of wafer foundry services to Rohm Co., Ltd.

"Exar's consumer oriented standard products, which include disk drives and specialty audio components, continue to be well received by certain major Japanese electronic companies," said Nob Hatta, president of Exar. "While these products currently have relatively low margins, they present Exar with business opportunities for the future."

"Exar's stock performance has not reflected the gains in revenues and income per share," commented Ronald Guire, senior vice president and CFO of Exar. "The company's balance sheet remains strong with cash of $21,000,000 and shareholders' equity in excess of $11 per share on an if converted basis. Considering these factors, our stock performance has been disappointing,"

continued Guire. "We trust that in the future, Exar's stock price will better reflect the underlying value of the company."'

Founded in 1971, Exar Corp. designs, manufactures and markets mixed signal (linear, digital and EEPROM) application specific integrated products (ASICs) for the telecommunications, data communications, computer peripheral, automotive and industrial markets.

Exar Corporation and Subsidiaries
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three months ended Sept. 30,		Six months ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$28,681	$21,751	$53,669	$39,939
Income from operations	1,913	1,853	3,561	3,411
Net income	$ 1,812	$ 1,803	$ 3,408	$ 3,256
Net income per common and equivalent share:				
Primary	$ .35	$ .29	$ .63	$ .53
Fully diluted	$ .35	$ .24	$ .63	$ .44

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The cover story on the issue of Newsweek released today dramatizes "Chronic Fatigue Syndrome - A Debilitating Disease Afflicts Millions and the Cause is Still a Mystery."

The FDA has given clearance to only one drug for use in clinical trials with CFS patients, Ampligen, developed by HEM Research Inc. These trials have been organized in several locations across the country over the past 60 days and are now in the process of starting up. Overall monitoring of the study is being provided by Dr. David R. Strayer of Hahnemann University in Philadelphia.

Ampligen has two primary activities - its acts as a broad anti-viral compound and as a modulator of the immune system. The fact that Ampligen appears to have helped a number of CFS patients in early experimental use lends further support to the theory that the disease has viral causes and involves a general dysfunction of the immune system. Ampligen was also cleared by the FDA for clinical trials involving the treatment of patients with AIDS and certain forms of cancer.

The plight of patients with CFS is that there is no known diagnostic test available to physicians that is currently able to provide a confirmation that

a patient has this disease. Its causes and its activity in the body remain a mystery.

While the Newsweek article summarizes the compelling evidence from leading medical researches that CFS patients are suffering from a debilitating organic disease, they are often dismissed as hypochondriacs by less-informed doctors, employers, and co-workers.

Ampligen is a special form of double-stranded RNA in which the strands have been mismatched. Research led by Dr. Robert Suhadolnik of Temple University has shown that the resulting molecule fits like a key into an enzyme that ignites the body's natural antiviral processes.

While other double-stranded RNAs have shown similar effects in the test tube, the mismatching of the strands in Ampligen eliminates the toxic side effects that has made the other drugs unusable among human patients.

The drug's development is being led by Dr. William A. Carter, chief scientist of HEM Research. HEM Research's principal offices are located in Philadelphia, and Tavernier, Fla., with its main research facility in Rockville, Md.

CONTACT: William Jenks or Thomas Franco of Broadgate Consultants, (212) 742-1280, for HEM Research.

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#90309p3559 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

RIVERDALE, ILL (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. steel industry will hold its own competitively during the 1990s, predicts Brian W.H. Marsden, president and chief executive officer of Acme Steel Company (NASDAQ: ACME), Riverdale, Ill.

During the first half of the decade, steel consumption should remain steady, imports may decrease slightly, and exports could increase, Marsden recently told members of the Western States Blast Furnace and Coke Oven Association, meeting in Merrillville, Ind.

"Apparent domestic steel consumption should remain in the 95 million to 100 million ton annual range, barring a major global war or a major international recession," he suggested. "However, within this domestic consumption, there may be changes as more steel is used in rebuilding the nation's infrastructure more in energy development projects, but probably less in automobiles and residential and commercial construction," he added.

The Acme president is generally positive about steel trade trends during the period, too, despite the probable non-renewal of Voluntary Restraint Agreements when they expire in 1992.

Imports of steel, he believes, "may well be a lesser factor because of the

weak dollar (in relation to other currencies) and, more importantly, because the U.S. industry is much more efficient and produces a higher quality product than at any time in its history."

For these same reasons, he sees the opening of more of the world to free trade -- especially those countries in the Warsaw Pact -- bringing "somewhat greater opportunities to export our lower-cost steel and steel-content goods. This may aid our total domestic steel production."

Despite these opportunities, the Acme president doesn't see any increase in steelmaking capacity in the foreseeable future. "Indeed, with planned continuous caster installations in the next two years taking the industry to 80-percent-plus continuously cast, it is conceivable that there may be some further replacement or downsizing of raw steel capacity," he suggested.

"This is most likely to occur among some of the integrated producers where the erosion of market share by the mini-mills in such segments as standard structurals, bars, and rods may be expected to continue," he added. Some dropout or downsizing of the older, less efficient mini- mills may also occur.

Mini-mills will continue to target the flat rolled market, Marsden believes. "It is likely that one or two mills relying on the electric furnace/thin slab casting/direct rolling process route may come on stream. Their impact will be mainly felt in the lower quality, lower priced end of the flat rolled market, making tough competition among the integrated flat rolled producers even tougher," he noted.

Although the Acme president sees relatively stable markets during the 1990-1994 period, he expects continued change on the technological and manufacturing sides of the business -- driven in part by the need to reduce manufacturing costs and increase quality.

-- Environmental pressures may force some companies to build new, environmentally clean coke ovens. "In other cases, particularly where foreign ownership is a reality, it may be cheaper to rely on imported coke," he pointed out.

-- Cost pressures will push blast furnace operators to use maximum alternate fuel injection and pursue "the ever moving target of more consistent, better quality, and cheaper iron. Form coke may be tested again and achieve greater acceptance as a blast furnace fuel," he noted.

-- Cost and competitive pressures will push iron ore pellet producers to improve pellet properties, further rationalize their operations, and reverse the trend of rising pellet prices.

In this competitive environment, Marsden also sees the development of a direct coal-based iron add steelmaking operation using the COREX or a COREX

look-alike process. It would require the availability of low cost coal and iron-bearing materials and the ability to generate electricity from the off gases. The facility, he added, would have to be linked to existing steelmaking and rolling mill operations to make sense economically.

"If you allow yourself to dwell on the possibilities, both geographically and for market placement, the odds might well favor a coastal site for a new installation," he pointed out.

The Acme president also sees a renewed emphasis on investment in the industry's "hot end."

"Currently, most investment is centered on upgrading rolling and finishing facilities to reduce costs and improve product quality. History shows us, however, that it is difficult, if not impossible, to recover in subsequent operations if you have a high cost or inefficient steelmaking operation," he warned,

Investment will remain difficult, he added, due to problems raising capital domestically. As a result, he sees a continuing trend toward foreign ownership or joint ventures with U.S. steelmakers.

What about the industry's prospects for the second half of the '90s? "Five-year forecasting is tricky; forecasting beyond that is almost insane. But some trends are apparent to me," Marsden explained.

"The move toward downsizing of plants will continue. In addition, the days of the multi-product, large volume steel plant are becoming increasingly numbered " he suggested.

Technologically, Marsden sees straight-through processing (in contrast to the industry's current use of numerous separate operations to make intermediate products) as "inevitable as we see development of environmentally acceptable direct steelmaking processes; the linkage of continuous casting and rolling mills; the linkage of hot rolled processing to picking, cold rolling, annealing, temper rolling, and coating; and greater use of sensors and intelligent computerization of the process."

As result of this, the industry will be able to offer "much shorter cycles from the placing of an order to its just-in-time delivery," he added.

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BOULDER, CO (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - NBI Inc. (NYSE: NBI) today announced the signing of one of Spain's leading software republishers, Idealogic Software, to republish and distribute Legacy, NBI's recently introduced word processing, page layout, and graphics package for Windows 3.0.

Idealogic Software will republish and distribute the Spanish and English versions of the Legacy software on an exclusive basis, is Spain. NBI will market the Spanish version in both the United States and Latin America.

In making the announcement, Stephen Jerritts, NBI president and chief executive officer, stated, "This partnership with Idealogic Software expands our international distribution and supports our objective of distributing Legacy throughout Western Europe."

Based in Barcelona, Spain, and founded in 1984 as a privately held corporation Idealogic Software distributes Lotus, Fox, WordPerfect, Borland, Microsoft, SPC, and Central Point Software among others.

Legacy is a comprehensive word processing, page layout and graphics package. Compared with other Windows word processing packages, the depth of page layout and typographical controls and robust architecture in Legacy enable easier, faster creation of high-impact documents containing text, graphics and data.

In the United States, Legacy is available through authorized resellers at a suggested retail price of $495. It requires Microsoft Windows 3.0 and MS-DOS 3.2 or higher; an IBM AT or compatible (80282 or 80386 CPU) or IBM PS/2; 640K of RAM (1-2 MB recommended); EGA, VGA, or other Windows-compatible display; and a Windows-compatible mouse. For more information, users can call 800-NBI-1111.

Based in Boulder, NBI designs and markets advanced word processing software packages. A leader in the word processing industry for more than a decade, NBI also provides customer service and support to a wide base of system users in domestic and international locations.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Great American Communications Company (NASDAQ: GACC) today reported third quarter results highlighted by improved operating earnings for the company's two major operating groups, Broadcasting and Entertainment.

For the three months ending Sept. 30, 1990, operating income grew 9. 7 percent to $12.5 million from $11.4 million during the same period in 1989; net revenues increased by 7.9 percent to $87.3 million from $80.9 million in the

third quarter of 1989.

After deducting interest expense and other non-operating income and expenses, third quarter losses from continuing operations were $30.9 million in 1990, compared with $34.8 million in 1989. In the third quarter GACC also posted a gain of approximately $39 million on the early retirement of debt. Net income for the quarter was $7.9 million as compared with a loss of $42.4 million a year earlier.

For the first three quarters, GACC reported an increase in net revenues of 5.2 percent from $216.4 million in 1989 to $227.7 million in 1990. Operating income was $31.6 million in 1990 compared with $31.8 million in the first three quarters of 1989. For the nine months the net loss was $6.1 million compared to a loss of $90 million last year.

The combination of asset sales (including the sale of Chiquita Brands International, Inc. common stock in the second quarter) and the refinancing of some of the company's debt caused GACC's interest expense to decline by 16 percent for the first nine months of 1990. While the company will continue to report reduced interest costs, GACC expects to remain in a net loss position for the forseeable future due to interest charges and significant non-cash charges for amortization of intangibles.

Additionally, the company announced that a dividend of $.02 per share on its common stock is payable Dec. 6, 1990 to holders of record at the close of business on Nov. 21, 1990.

GACC and its subsidiaries own and operate five network affiliated television stations, and twelve FM and six AM radio stations in the top 50 markets. Through Hanna-Barbera, it is involved in animated film and video production, distribution and marketing worldwide. GACC beneficially owns approximately 46 percent of Spelling Entertainment Inc.

American Financial Corporation beneficially owns 68 percent of GACC. GACC's common stock trades in the over-the-counter market under the symbol GACC.

GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Net revenues:		
Broadcast Group	$ 51,527	$ 48,183
Entertainment Group	28,728	27,548
Other	7,091	5,186
Total	87,346	80,917
Costs and expenses:		

Operating expenses	40,509	35,918
Selling, general and administrative	21,151	21,939
Depreciation and amortization	13,155	11,642
Total	74,815	69,499
Operating income	12,531	11,418
Other income (expense):		
Interest expense	(35,600)	(44,041)
Minority interest	(7,123)	(7,320)
Equity in net earnings of affiliates (A)	180	5,378
Investment income	469	1,376
Miscellaneous, net (B)	(1,323)	(2,137)
Total	(43,397)	(46,744)
Loss from continuing operations before income taxes	(30,866)	(35,326)
Income taxes (credits)	---	(568)
Loss from continuing operations	(30,866)	(34,758)
Discontinued operations (C)	---	(7,624)
Loss before extraordinary items	(30,866)	(42,382)
Extraordinary items (D)	38,794	---
NET EARNINGS (LOSS)	7,928	(42,382)
PER SHARE DATA (Primary and Fully Diluted):		
Loss from continuing operations	($.88)	($1.10)
Loss before extraordinary items	(.88)	(1.35)
Net earnings (loss)	.23	(1.35)
Average common shares	35,163	31,410

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Net revenues:		
Broadcast Group	$149,982	$146,404
Entertainment Group	62,155	56,061
Other	15,560	13,933
Total	227,697	216,398
Cost and expenses:		
Operating expenses	94,586	87,623
Selling, general and adminstrative	64,262	60,975
Depreciation and amortization	37,251	35,987
Total	196,099	184,585
Operating income	31,598	31,813
Other income (expense):		
Interest expense	(110,051)	(130,793)
Minority interest	(22,778)	(21,682)
Equity in net earnings of affiliates (A)	12,804	18,972
Investment income	1,638	4,053
Miscellaneous, net (B)	42,014	2,018

Total	(76,373)	(127,432)
Loss from continuing operations before income taxes	(44,775)	(95,619)
Income taxes (credits)	135	(10,107)
Loss from continuing operations	(44,910)	(85,512)
Discontinued operations (C)	---	(3,720)
Loss before extraordinary items	(44,910)	(89,232)
Extraordinary items (D)	38,794	(805)
NET EARNINGS (LOSS)	($6,116)	($90,037)
PER SHARE DATA (Primary and Fully Diluted):		
Loss from continuing operations	($1.28)	($2.72)
Loss before extraordinary items	(1.28)	(2.84)
Net earnings (loss)	(.17)	(2.87)
Average common shares	35,162	31,409

Note (A) -- Included in "equity in net earnings of affililates" is GACC's proportionate share of Chiquita Brands' and Spelling's reported net earnings.

Note B -- Included in "miscellaneous, net" is a $44.8 million gain on the sale of 7.2 million Chiquita shares in the second quarter of 1990 and a $7.2 million gain from the sale of GACC's interest in a Canadian theme park during the first quarter of 1989.

Note C -- Discontinued operations includes earnings from GACC's insurance subsidiary and a $9.1 million loss on its sale in September 1989.

Note (D) -- Extraordinary items represents a net loss on retirements of long-term debt during the first six months of 1989 and a net gain on retirements of long-term debt during the third quarter of 1990.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Papercraft Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Amalgamated Investment Corp., announced today that the members of a bondholder committee representing a substantial majority of Papercraft's outstanding first priority notes and second priority notes have indicated that they would extend until March 1, 1991, the current waiver of a default under the first and second priority note indentures arising from the nonpayment of cash interest.

Prior to such date they will not exercise any rights of acceleration arising from the default (and will not seek to influence the indenture trustees to exercise any such rights).

Since Oct. 1, 1990, Papercraft has been engaged in ongoing discussions with the bondholders committee and its representatives in an effort to reach a long-term solution to adjust or reduce Papercraft's debt service requirements.

In connection with these discussions, the bondholder committee has undertaken to conduct a detailed review of Papercraft's affairs and has agreed to an extension of the cash interest default waiver to March 1, 1991.

The extension is conditioned upon Papercraft's agreement to provide the bondholder committee with various information concerning Papercraft's operations and not to engage in certain transactions outside of the ordinary course of business during the extension period without prior bondholder approval.

On Oct. 3, 1990, Papercraft announced that it would not make a cash interest payment on the cash portion of interest due Oct. 1 on Papercraft's first and second priority notes.

At that time, the members of the bondholder committee agreed to waive the default and their acceleration rights until Nov. 2, 1990. The first and second priority notes were originally issued in connection with Papercraft's May 1989 restructuring of its then outstanding debt. Papercraft Corp. owns subsidiaries which manufacture and distribute household products.

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MELBOURNE, FLA. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) has been awarded a $40 million contract by the U.S. Army Communications Electronics Command at Fort Monmouth, N.J., for the development and production prove out of the Joint Advanced Special Operations Radio System (JASORS) -- a new man-portable communications system for use by the Special Operations Forces.

Harris Government Communication Systems Division in Melbourne is the prime contractor on this program, with principal team-mates: Harris RF Communications Group, Motorola GEG and SAIC/SAI-T.

This program will provide a new, low-probability of intercept communications capability in support of Special Operations Forces initiatives.

Harris Corporation, with worldwide sales of more than $3 billion, is focused on four major businesses: Electronic systems, communications, semiconductors and office equipment.

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STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Savin Corporation (NYSE: SVB) announced it has been awarded a five year, multi-million dollar worldwide contract by the General Services Administration to provide photocopiers for use on U.S. Navy ships.

Savin will supply the Navy with approximately 2,000 mid-volume (20,000 to 40,000 copies monthly) Class III copiers, parts, training and service worldwide. These models were specifically modified to meet the unique specifications and conditions associated with shipboard environments. The first year of this five year contract, renewable annually, is valued at approximately $5 million.

William T. Smith, Savin vice chairman and chief operating officer, commented, "Savin understands the special needs of the U.S. Navy and this award demonstrates our ability to meet their high standards for communication equipment. We are pleased that the Navy continues to recognize our commitment to provide cost-effective, reliable products and ongoing technical support and service."

The new contract reinforces an ongoing relationship between Savin and the U.S. Navy that started in 1979 when Savin first designed specialized models for shipboard use.

In 1985, Savin was awarded the first five year contract to provide the Navy with convenience copiers in the low to mid-volume category (up to 20,000 copies monthly). Approximately 70 percent of all copiers in these categories currently installed on Navy ships were supplied by Savin.

Savin Corporation, founded in 1959, markets a full line of office copiers (color and black & white) and facsimile products through a North American network of 11 branches and over 380 dealers.

Savin introduced liquid toner technology to the copier market and is the only marketer offering both liquid and dry technologies. Savin Corporation, listed on the New York Stock Exchange, is approximately 55 percent owned by HCS Technology N.V., a Netherlands-based office equipment company.

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#90309p3581 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert J. Ready, president of LSI Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: LYTS) today reported operating results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as follows:

	(Amounts in Thousands)	
	1990	1989
Net Sales	$19,983	$20,255
Gross Profit	5,541	7,318
Operating (loss) income	(557)	2,102
Net (loss) income	(700)	1,120
Net (loss) income per share	$(.15)	$.22
Average shares outstanding	4,686	4,865

During the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, LSI Industries continued to experience a sales decline in its indoor/outdoor commercial lighting business. Sales of its domestic graphics operations were below prior year levels principally due to graphics programs of certain petroleum customers being deferred or reduced in scope. As a result, certain operations are being restructured to reduce personnel costs and close excess warehousing space. Restructuring costs are included in the operating loss reported in the September 1990 quarter.

"Despite short-term losses caused largely by the Mideast situation and economic conditions," said Robert J. Ready, LSI chairman and CEO, "we remain committed to our growth strategy in the commercial lighting and graphic product markets. Sales volumes and operating income have showed improving trends in September and October. LSI's U.K. graphics subsidiary, Duramark, is progressing on the development of a graphics image program for a major European petroleum company. Earlier U.K. quality problems have been corrected and volume is improving."

LSI designs, engineers, manufactures and markets a wide range of high-quality indoor, outdoor, and landscape lighting fixtures and graphic products. The company is the leading supplier of outdoor lighting and graphic products to retail gasoline facilities and a major supplier to the fast-food restaurant and automobile dealership markets. The company's common shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol LYTS.

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ELIZABETH, N.J. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Reflecting a commitment to customer service and continued growth, BFI has added two sales professionals to its New York office.

Bill DeGeorge of Islip Terrace, N.Y. joins the $50-million-a-year contract furniture and services firm as an account executive with more than 10 years experience in the contract furniture industry.

Also joining the firm is account representative Sephra Fisher of Oyster Bay, N.Y., a veteran of five years in the business with a background in architecture.

Fisher will spend much of her time working directly with professionals in the New York City design community.

"We're extremely pleased that Bill and Sephra have chosen to become part of BFI," said company executive vice president Dan Morley announcing the staff expansion. "Both are highly customer service- oriented -- committed to solving the problems and meeting the needs of our clients."

A graduate of the State University of New York at Farmingdale architecture program, DeGeorge said he strives to present conceptual and practical solutions to a client's facility concerns.

"Having begun his career in customer service, Bill is also well aware of the problems and concerns clients often face once a renovation or relocation is completed," explained Morley. "His clients have always had a lot of confidence in him as a result."

Clients frequently demonstrate that confidence by placing future orders with DeGeorge and seeking his advice as they expand and relocate.

When a large insurance company opened a facility on Long Island, DeGeorge secured the $1.5-million order to furnish the new location.

DeGeorge's professionalism, however, so impressed the company that it awarded him a project for its Albany, N.Y. office and selected him to coordinate two additional planned facilities.

"Customer service in the contract furniture industry and architecture are a natural combination," said DeGeorge in crediting his success to experience in both areas.

He also credited his avocation of surfing, which he learned off the south shore of Long Island, for teaching him a "go for it" attitude in a tight business economy.

"When you are out there paddling in the ocean in literally a life and death situation, you learn to work with the flow and not against it for success," he explained.

In a related pursuit, DeGeorge is recognized as one of the top two

sailboarders in the northeast.

Although he competed in the "Around the Big Apple" sailboard race and subsequently was invited to participate in the National Product Championship Invitational Sailboard Competition tour of U.S. cities, DeGeorge rejected the honor to come aboard BFI instead.

"We think that says something about Bill and BFI," concluded Morley. "We both think the industry and its customers come first."

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#90309p3590 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Appointments involving three key positions in GM's personnel activities were approved today by the General Motors Board of Directors, according to F. Alan Smith, executive vice president of General Motors (NYSE: GM). All appointments are effective immediately.

Alfred S. Warren Jr. has been named vice president in charge of Strategic Labor Issues. He will continue to coordinate the implementation of GM's new agreements with the United Auto Workers and other major unions, pending his retirement in April 1991.

Richard F. O'Brien succeeds him as vice president of the Industrial Relations Staff. Gerald A. Knechtel is promoted to vice president of the Personnel Administration and Development (PAD) Staff, replacing O'Brien. All three executives will report to Charles Kato, executive in charge of the Operating Staffs Group.

In his new assignment, Warren, 64, will cap a 35-year GM career marked by more than a decade as Industrial Relations vice president and head of the General Motors bargaining team in four national negotiating sessions.

Warren became a member of the faculty at the former General Motors Institute in Flint, Mich., in 1955, and subsequently joined the Chevrolet manufacturing organization.

He served in production management at Chevrolet plants in Buffalo, N.Y.; St. Louis; Flint and Warren, Mich.; and the Cleveland region before moving to the corporate PAD Staff in 1973, where he played a key role in the development of GM's Quality of Work Life program.

Warren became personnel director of GM's former Fisher Body Division in 1977, and returned to the corporation in 1980 as vice president of Industrial Relations.

O'Brien joined GM's former New Departure-Hyatt Bearings Division in 1966, following service with the U.S. Navy. He held a number of positions on the GM financial staff involving employee policies and benefits before becoming an assistant treasurer in 1981.

He transferred to the PAD Staff as general director of personnel administration in 1982 and subsequently became general director of employee benefits in 1984 on the PAD Staff before tranferring to the Industrial Relations and Staff in 1986 as general director of labor relations. O'Brien was elected vice president of the PAD Staff in 1988.

During his 27 years with GM, Knechtel, 49, has held a variety of posts in the personnel field. He joined GM Photographic personnel in 1963 and later moved to the PAD Staff where he oversaw compensation practices at GM's Central Office.

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DENVER (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Asset Investors Corp. (NYSE: AIC) today announced its net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $7,369,000 or 53 cents per share, as compared to $5,789,000 or 42 cents per share during the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 49 percent to $22,648,000 or $1.63 per share, as compared to $15,239,000 or $1.10 per share, during the prior year. Earnings per share are based on 13,892,000 weighted average shares outstanding.

Reported net income for the third quarter of 1990 increased 27 percent over the third quarter of 1989 before a noncash accounting adjustment of $5,200,000 or 37 cents per share. This adjustment reverses an equal charge to operations taken during the first and second quarters of 1989. The adjustment results from lower short-term interest rates during the third quarter of 1989 as compared to rates during the first two quarters of 1989.

As a real estate investment trust, Asset Investors' dividends are based on taxable income calculated under the Internal Revenue Code and not on GAAP. Federal taxable income for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 is estimated to be approximately $7,500,000 or 54 cents per share, and $22,400,000 or $1.61 per share, respectively.

On Sept. 30, 1990, the company paid a third quarter dividend of 45 cents per share increasing total dividends paid during 1990 to $1.35 per share. Dividends during the first nine months of 1989 were $1.11 per share. Spencer I. Browne, president and chief executive officer of Asset Investors, stated that, "Asset Investors had paid out aggregate dividends of over $98,750,000 ($8.25 per share), since the company's inception in December 1986."

Net and taxable income continue to benefit from lower short-term interest rates, specifically the average London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), which is the benchmark for determining the interest rate on the company's variable-rate CMO debt. LIBOR was over 115 basis points lower during the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to the like period in 1989. Other factors resulting in increased income in 1990 over 1989 include lower short-term interest expense due to lower borrowings at reduced interest rates and a substantial reduction in general and administrative expenses.

The company continues to reduce its portfolio's sensitivity to short-term interest rates by adding fixed-rate CMO residuals. The company acquired two fixed-rate CMO residuals during the third quarter and committed to acquire two more in the fourth quarter at an aggregate cost of approximatley $9,500,000.

Asset Investors is a real estate investment trust that generates income primarily from a portfolio of ownership interests in issuances of collateralized mortgage obligations and other mortgage-related assets.

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ROWAYTON, CONN. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Baldwin Technology Company, Inc. (AMEX: BLD) announced today that it has been authorized to purchase, from time to time, up to 400,000 shares of its Class A common stock or such greater number of shares which may be purchased at an aggregate purchase price not to exceed $2,500,000. This represents an increase from the initial 100,000 shares the company announced it would repurchase earlier this year. To date, the company has repurchased 55,200 shares under this program.

The company believes that the current market price of its Class A common stock makes it an attractive investment at this time. Dean Witter Reynolds will continue to act as the company's agent for the repurchase.

Baldwin Technology Company, Inc. (BLD) is a leading multinational manufacturer of material handling, accessory, control and pre-press equipment for the printing industry. For the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had net sales of approximately $47.9 million and net income of approximately $1.5 million

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#90309p3600 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Orion Capital Corporation (NYSE: OC) announced today that, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, earnings from insurance operations (before realized investment gains /losses/) increased to $6,817,000, or $.77 per share (after preferred dividends) based upon 6,447,000 weighted average primary common shares outstanding, from $6,185,000, or $.65 per share (after preferred dividends) based upon 6,531,000 weighted average primary common shares outstanding, for the third quarter of 1989. On a per-share basis, this represents approximately an 18 percent increase in operating earnings for the quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, earnings from insurance operations were $24,273,000, or $2.88 per share, and $21,983,000, or $2.48 per share, based upon 6,479,000 and 6,500,000 weighted average primary common shares outstanding, respectively.

Realized investment gains (losses) for the third quarter of 1990 and 1989 amounted to $949,000 and $(223,000) on a pre-tax basis, respectively. After taxes, realized investment gains were $93,000, or $.01 per share, in the third quarter of 1990, vs. $(10,000), or $(.12) per share, in 1989s third quarter. On a year-to-date basis, after-tax realized investment gains (losses) were $(1,070,000), or $(.17) per share, and $2,299,000, or $.35 per share, in the first nine months of 1990 and 1989, respectively.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net earnings were $6,910,000, or $.78 per share, compared with $5,375,000, or $.53 per share, for the third quarter of 1989. Year-to-date net earnings for 1990 and 1989 amounted to $23,203,000, or $2.71 per share, and $24,282,000, or $2.83 per share, respectively.

On a fully diluted basis, earnings from insurance operations amounted to $.70 per share and $.62 per share, on 9,072,000 and 8,233,000 fully diluted shares, for the quarters ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively. After-tax realized investment gains (losses) per fully diluted share amounted to $.01 and $(.10) in the third quarter of each year, respectively. Fully diluted net earnings amounted to $.71 per share and $.52 per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Year-to-date, earnings from insurance operations amounted to $2.51 per share and $2.22 per share, on 9,104,000 and 9,149,000 fully diluted share, for the first nine months of 1990 and 1989, respectively. After- tax realized investment gains (losses) per fully diluted share amounted to $(.12) and $.25 for the first nine months of each year, respectively. Fully diluted net earnings amounted to $2.39 per share and $2.47 per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Orion Capital is engaged in the specialty property and casualty insurance business through various wholly owned insurance subsidiaries.

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VOORHEES, N.J. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Glendale Bancorporation (NASDAQ: GNBC), the holding company of Glendale National Bank of New Jersey and Glendale Bank of Pennsylvania, today reported net income of $655,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared with $852,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

On a per-share basis, primary and fully diluted net income was $.34 as compared to $.43 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively. The lower net income is attributable to an increase in the allowance for loan losses. During the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the corporation provided $957,000 to the allowance for loan losses as compared to $375,000 for the same period of 1989, an increase of $582,000. Total consolidated assets were $242,397,000 at Sept. 30, 1990.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Health Risk Management, Inc. (NASDAQ: HRMI) announced today that it filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for an initial public offering of 1,200,000 of its common shares on Nov. 2. All of the shares will be offered by Health Risk Management, Inc. Net proceeds from the offering will be used for repayment of indebtedness and for working capital and general corporate purposes.

The offering will be managed by Wessels, Arnold & Henderson. It is currently estimated that the public offering price will be between $9 and $11 per share, and that the offering will be listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the proposed symbol of "HRMI."

Health Risk Management, Inc. provides a broad range of integrated managed health care services to self-insured employers, unions, governmental entities, and insurance company clients. The company's services are designed to manage the quality, volume, and cost of health care provided under clients' employee benefit plans. Health Risk Management, Inc. has developed its managed care services based upon proprietary clinical practice guidelines, company-developed medical databases, and extensive medical expertise. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, the company managed over $1 billion in claims for approximately 120 clients covering approximately 1.5 million lives.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold, nor may offers to buy be accepted, prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This news release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation, or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities law of any such state.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Goldman, Sachs & Co., as lead manager of the underwriting group, announces a public offering today of 2,500,000 CAC 40 Paris Stock Exchange index put warrants expiring Nov. 4, 1992, of Societe Generale Warrants Limited N.V. at a price of $2.75 per warrant. Societe Generale Warrants Limited N.V. is a subsidiary of Societe Generale, a major French bank. The issue is supported by a letter of credit issued by Banque Nationale de Paris, New York branch. The issue is the first public offering in the United States of warrants relating to the CAC 40 Stock Index. Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., Oppenheimer & Co., Inc. and Societe Generale Securities Corporation are co-managers. The underwriters have been granted an option to purchase up to an additional 375,000 warrants to cover over- allotments. The warrants are listed on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol SGG.WS.

Each warrant will entitle the holder thereof to receive from Societe Generale Warrants Limited N.V. the cash settlement value, if any, of the right to sell to Societe Generale Warrants Limited N.V. one-fifteenth of the U.S. dollar equivalent of the CAC 40 Stock Index for $21.57. Accordingly, upon exercise, the holder of the warrant would receive the excess, if any, of $21.57 over one-fifteenth of the U.S. dollar equivalent of the then prevailing CAC 40 Stock Index.

The U.S. dollar equivalent of the CAC 40 Stock Index shall be calculated using a fixed exchanged rate of FF5.0105 equals $1.00. As a result, the cash settlement value in U.S. dollars that a warrantholder may receive upon exercise, expiration or cancellation of its warrant shall not be affected, as such, by fluctuations in the actual French franc/U.S. dollar exchange rate.

The CAC 40 Stock Index is a cap-weighted stock index that measures the aggregate price performance of 40 of the most widely followed equities listed on the Paris Stock Exchange, representing a cross- section of industries.

CONTACT: David Stowell of Goldman, Sachs & Co., 212-902-2379

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CYPRESS, CALIF. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc. today posted a 45 percent increase in passenger car sales for the month of October, despite industrywide competition and continued soft sales within the marketplace. The company reported total year-to-date sales of 163,732 units, representing a 35 percent increase in vehicle sales from a year earlier.

"Sales of U.S.-built Mitsubishi products have become a strong catalyst for our consistent growth this calendar year," said Rick Lepley senior vice president of sales. "We anticipate additional domestic volume to be gained this model year with production of the Mirage 4-door alongside the Eclipse at Diamond-Star Motors in Illinois."

Passenger car sales reached 11,625 units and included 3,835 units of domestically-built product. Lepley also noted that October was Mitsubishi Motors' strongest month for passenger car sales since last June.

"Our dealers have been coping with a very short supply for the past couple of months while awaiting '91 product," Lepley continued. "Now with the arrival of new products including the stylish 3000GT, we expect dealer and consumer enthusiasm to be on the rise.

Mitsubishi remains aggressive in regard to sales projections and future products and is anxious to introduce its all-new luxury sedan this coming spring. The company will be introducing a total of five new products during the next two years.

Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc., based in Cypress, was established in 1981 by Mitsubishi Motors Corp., based in Tokyo, and markets a full line of subcompacts, compacts, sports coupes, light trucks and sport/utility vehicles.

CONTACT: Debbie Stearn of Manning, Selvage & Lee, 800-233-MMSA (national) or 800-828-MMSA (California), for Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Coho Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: COHO) announced today its financial and operating results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company has reported net earnings of $5.2 million ($0.50 per share) compared to $7.4 million ($0.93) per share for the same period in 1989.

Net production revenue increased 28 percent from $11.7 million reported in 1989 to $15.0 million reported in the nine month period in 1990 as a result of higher production and product prices.

Cash flow from operations, before working capital adjustments, decreased from $9.0 million for the nine month period in 1989 to $8.6 million in 1990. The decrease is a result of interest charges on bank debt during 1990 which had not been recorded in previous years.

For the nine month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, oil production averaged 3,101 barrels per day compared to 2,518 barrels per day during the same period in 1989. Equipment problems experienced at Laurel resulted in three wells being shut in during September of 1990, reducing the company's production levels by approximately 400 barrels (net to Coho) of oil per day. This production is expected to be recovered in the fourth quarter.

During the first nine months of 1990, the company has experienced an increase in its operating costs as a result of increased production, the purchase of the Soso and Summerland fields (which have historically high operating costs), and equipment problems at Laurel. A significant proportion of the increased field operating costs occurred in the third quarter, reflecting equipment difficulties at Laurel and the acquisition of the Soso field. The company anticipates that it will be able to reduce the operating costs at Soso and Summerland over the next several quarters with the implementation of new operating practices, and is currently testing a new type of production equipment at Laurel.

For the nine month period in 1990, the company has spent $24.8 million on capital expenditures. Activities included drilling 13 wells (8.3 net), numerous recompletions in the Summerland field, lease acquisitions, and the purchase of the Soso field in Mississippi.

COHO RESOURCES INC.
Summary of Financial Results
(in thousands, except per share data)

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30		Three Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$15,031	$11,733	$5,996	$3,788
Cash flow from operations	8,591	9,016	2,709	2,907
Cash flow per share	0.97	1.13	0.26	0.36
Net earnings	5177	7421	1477	2509
Net earnings per share	0.58	0.93	0.14	0.31
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	8,855	8,000	10,565	8,000

CONTACT: Jeffrey Clarke 214-991-9493 or Douglas R. Martin,

403-261-9800, both of Coho Resources Inc.

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#90309p3623 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Cadillac Motor Car opened the first month of the 1991 model year with sales of 22,841 units -- up 3.8 percent -- compared to the same period last year when the luxury automaker sold 21,180 units.

Sales of De Ville/Fleetwood models were reported at 16,008 units, an increase of 11.5 percent from the opening month last year. Sales of the Seville model also were up sharply with 1,889 units sold during the month of October compared to 1,441, in 1989.

Since January, sales of the Seville were 28,947 units, up more than 55 percent compared to 18,593 units sold in the same period last year.

"We're encouraged by the opening month sales figures for the new model year," said John O. Grettenberger, Cadillac general manager and General Motors vice president. "Confidence in our products, as evidenced by our recent winning of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, remains strong despite the sluggish economy."

CONTACT: Vince Muniga of Cadillac Motor Car Division, 313-554-5070

-30- 1211

#90309p3632 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, IL (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: WMX) said today that it has agreed to settle for $19.5 million a class-action suit brought by Cumberland Farms, Inc. and others more than three years ago.

The company said the plaintiffs concurred that it was uncertain that they could win a judgment that there had been a broad antitrust conspiracy as they had originally alleged. The plaintiffs agreed to limit the settlement fund provided by Waste Management to 13 markets where prior antitrust investigations had been concluded while dismissing all other claims against the company.

Browning-Ferris Industries, which was named as a co-defendant in the 1987 class-action suit, also concluded a settlement with the plaintiffs. Formal notice to the class encompassing the settlements with both companies was mailed today following preliminary approval of the settlements by the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

''On one hand the plaintiffs acknowledged, after extensive discovery, that there clearly was uncertainty whether they could prevail in court with their class action. On the other hand, however, we acknowledged there could have

been further civil exposure in those 13 markets,'' said J. Steven Bergerson, vice president and general counsel of Waste Management, Inc.

''We have maintained from the very beginning of this litigation back in 1987 that no broad conspiracy ever existed. We decided to settle the case primarily to protect the company against suits arising from old investigations concluded long ago and to spare the company the high cost of continued civil litigation,'' Bergerson said.

CONTACT: William J. Plunkett of Waste Management, 708-572-8898

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#90309p3634 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - In a one-week period ending Nov. 9, Montgomery Ward will have opened six new full-line specialty stores and completed the remodeling of three additional stores, all utilizing the company's latest specialty store concept, according to Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Bernard F. Brennan. The six new stores raise the company's total to 343, an increase of more than 50 stores in the past four years.

The six new stores are in Westminster, Md. (Baltimore market); Chesapeake, Va. (Norfolk area); Indianapolis, Ind. (Castleton Mall); Chicago, Ill. (Yards Plaza at 47th & Damen); Lewisville, Texas (Dallas/Ft. Worth Market); and Victorville, Calif. (south central California). The three stores receiving extensive remodeling are in Albuquerque, N.M.; Mt. Prospect, Ill.; and Omaha, Neb.

Brennan said the new store openings are part of the company's plan to expand in existing company markets. For example, he noted that all six of the new stores opening in November are in markets where Montgomery Ward already has a strong presence: ''Since our management team purchased the company in 1988, it has always been our objective to grow the company. We will open a total of 17 new stores this year out of a total of 53 new stores we plan to open in the next year and a half. These stores, together with the 50-plus new stores opened in the past four years, means that Montgomery Ward will have opened close to 100 new stores in a five-year period,'' said Brennan.

Brennan said that the stores being opened in November employ a concept unique in retailing. ''This format, which we introduced in 1989 with great success in our Niles, Ill., store, is new in terms of design, merchandise presentation and customer service. Each specialty category has a distinctive design, achieved through differences in colors, signing and layout. Each is linked in an integrated setting to create the feel and apearance of a contemporary mall inside the store,'' he said. (The Niles stores recently won 1st Place for design excellence in the ''Best New Super Specialty Store'' catgegory, part of Chain Store Age Executive magazine's annual ''New Store of the Year Design Contest.'')

''Our new stores are designed to be fun stores in which to shop, and to provide shoppers with the very best in customer service,'' Brennan added. ''We have combined the elements of separate 'destination stores' with the convenience of one-stop shopping for customers. Each of our specialty stores has the breadth and depth of quality brand name merchandise of a fine specialty store. But we also provide customers with the convenience of being able to walk from one specialty to another, much like a mall,'' he said.

Brennan explained that the design of the new stores is the culmination of five years of a carefully planned evolutionary process that began with the deicsion to change from mass merchant to a chain of value-driven specialty stores. The company's stores now offer four basic specialty merchandise catgegories with full-line stores offering all the specialty categories at one location. Smaller Montgomery Ward stores may offer one or various combinations of these specialty stores. The specialty categories are: Electric Avenue, Home Ideas (including Window Ideas), the Apparel Store (including the Kids Stores and Gold 'n Gems) and Auto Express.

With the addition of these six new stores Montgomery Ward will have 343 stores in 39 states; the company employs some 67,000 people.

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-30- 3784

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STAMFORD, CONN. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Calvin J. Guass has been named president of the Playtex Family Products Corporation, reporting to Playtex' chairman, Joel E. Smilow. The position has been open since the December 1988 formation of the Playtex Family Products Corporation. Gauss had been senior vice president and general manager of the Playtex Family Products Corporation for the past year.

Gauss has been with Playtex since 1980. Prior to his current reassignment to the United States, he was vice president and general manager of the Playtex Canadian operations, which reached record levels in market share, sales and profitability during his tenure. Prior to joining Playtex, Gauss was a marketing executive with the Clairol Division of Bristol-Myers.

Playtex Family Products Corporation, a leading consumer products company in the segments of personal, household, beauty and infant care products. Outstanding products, such as Playtex Tampons, Jhirmack, Playtex and Cherubs infant feeding systems, Playtex Living and Handsaver Gloves, are manufactured and distributed by Playtex Family Products Corporation.

CONTACT: Bruce Fabricant of GCI Group Inc., 212-546-1817, for Playtex

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#90309p3637 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - INTERCO Inc. (NYSE: ISS) announced today that it has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission an amendment to its preliminary registration statement in connection with the restructuring of the company's outstanding debt and preferred stock. The amended registration statement, which is subject to review by the Commission, reflects the previously announced agreement in principle between INTERCO and steering committees for the company's bank group, medium-term noteholders and subordinated debentureholders.

"We are pleased that our restructuring plan continues to move forward. We are anxious to proceed with the restructuring, which we believe provides a long-term solution for INTERCO and for our banks, medium-term noteholders, debentureholders and stockholders," commented Richard B. Loynd, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "As we have consistently stressed, INTERCO has four successful core companies, each of which has excellent long-term potential for growth. However, INTERCO's debt is much larger than these fine companies can support.

"The restructuring will address INTERCO's balance sheet problems," Loynd said. "This will not only enhance the long-term stability of INTERCO, but will permit us to capitalize on the inherent strengths of the core companies, including well-established dealer networks, high brand recognition, and efficient manufacturing operations."

INTERCO is a major manufacturer of furniture and a manufacturer and retailer of footwear, through its four core companies: Broyhill Industries Inc., The Lane Co. Inc., Converse Inc., and The Florsheim Shoe Co.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This announcement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any security or the solicitation of any consents or approvals. Offers and solicitations shall be made only by means of the proxy statement/prospectus filed by INTERCO with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

CONTACT: David P. Garino or Kenneth F. Cook, 314-982-1700, of INTERCO Inc.

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#90309p3641 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JUAN, P.R. (Nov. 5) PR Newswire - Banco Popular de Puerto Rico (NASDAQ: BPOP) and BanPonce Corporation (NASDAQ: BDEP) announced today that the board of governors of the Federal Reserve System had approved their application for merger.

Banco Popular and BanPonce said that they currently expect to complete their merger by Dec. 31, 1990. The resulting bank holding company will be named BanPonce Corporation, and the combined banks will be called Banco Popular de Puerto Rico.

Under the terms of the merger, announced Oct. 19, 1989, shares of BanPonce will be exchanged for either shares of the new holding company or cash, subject to an election procedure and allocation limitations. Election forms are expected to be mailed to BanPonce shareholders shortly. Banco Popular shares will be exchanged for shares of the new holding company on a one-for-one basis.

In order to receive approval for the merger, the companies have agreed to divest some branches in Puerto Rico with deposits of about $90 million. The companies said that they are negotiating the sale of these branches and that they expect to complete the sale during the second quarter of 1991.

Earlier, the Commissioner of Financial Institutions in Puerto Rico approved the merger.

The combined company will be the largest bank holding company in Puerto Rico with approximately $9 billion in total assets and 165 branches in Puerto Rico, 22 in New York City and five elsewhere in the U.S.

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#90309p3643 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Gulf Canada Resources Limited's (Toronto, Montreal: GOU) cash generated from continuing operations before exploration expenses was $90 million for the three- month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $99 million for the same period in 1989. The world-wide increase in crude oil prices, which made a noticeable impact in the latter part of the quarter, was offset by lower liquids volumes, the absence of Beaufort Sea drilling activity this year and higher financing costs. Third quarter 1990 earnings were $17 million, compared with $6 million a year ago. Earnings were affected by the same factors, as well as lower exploration expenses and gains on asset dispositions.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, cash generated was $248 million, compared with $318 million for the same period in 1989. The loss for

the first nine months of 1990 was $34 million, compared with earnings from continuing operations of $58 million and total earnings of $39 million for the first nine months of 1989. Nine-month results were also affected by the lack of Beaufort Sea activity, higher prices, lower volumes and higher financing costs. In addition, earnings were impacted by the second quarter write-off of previously incurred frontier exploration expenses, losses on asset dispositions and the absence of a 1989 nonrecurring foreign exchange gain on early retirement of debt.

Gross sales of crude oil, natural gas liquids and synthetic crude oil averaged 90,700 barrels per day for the first nine months of 1990, compared with 100,500 barrels per day in the same period in 1989. The decrease was primarily due to natural declines from existing fields in Indonesia and Western Canada. Third quarter sales were also affected by the sale of certain non-strategic Western Canada properties.

Natural gas sales in the first nine months of 1990 averaged 327.0 million cubic feet per day, slightly higher than sales for the same period in 1989.

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403-233-4341, both of Gulf Canada Resources Limited

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#90309p3646 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEBEC, CALIF. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Tejon Ranch Co. (AMEX: TRC) today reported net income of $1,124,000, or $.09 per common share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with net income of $1,735,000 or $.14 per common share for the same period in 1989.

Net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $300,000 or $.02 per common share compared to net income of $210,000 or $.02 per common share for the same period in 1989. Total revenues from operations, including interest income, for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, were $2,219,000 compared to $3,583,000 for the same period in 1989. Total revenues, including interest income, for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, were $7,778,000 compared to $10,126,000 for the same period in 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, decreased when compared to the same period last year. This decrease is largely associated with the receipt in April, 1989 of an $884,000 cash settlement for a gas pipeline condemnation. Decreased livestock sales during 1990, due to drought conditions, have also reduced earnings for the first nine months. These earnings reductions in 1990 were partially offset by lower water costs during the third quarter due to the return of a portion of the company's water entitlement back to a local water district. Proceeds received from a settlement with a commercial lessee covering a fire loss also helped offset reduced earnings.

Tejon Ranch Co. owns approximately 270,000 acres of land approximately 60 miles north of Los Angeles and is engaged in cattle, farming, oil and minerals and commercial highway leasing operations.

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#90309p3657 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF. (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Acura Division of American Honda Motor Co. Inc. announced today the introduction of an all-new, totally redesigned Legend line of automobiles. The introduction of the second-generation, 1991 Legend is an important milestone in the evolution of American Honda's Acura Division. In the five years since the Legend was first introduced, it has received consistently high praise from both the press and public alike.

"Like the original Acura Legend, which was the first Japanese luxury performance automobile, the second-generation Legend is certain to set new standards in its class for the '90s " stated Ed Taylor, vice president, Acura Division.

Through the years, Acura has experienced a number of firsts: the first Japanese luxury automobile division established; the first automobile division to rank No. 1 in the J.D. Power Customer Satisfaction Index Survey for product quality and dealer service for four years in a row -- every year the division has been eligible; and the first to introduce a high-performance, all-aluminum mid- engine sports car, the Acura NSX.

The introduction of the all-new Legend caps off a busy year for Acura in which the division launched the NSX, a state-of-the-art mid-engine sports car, and reached a sales milestone of selling its 500,000th automobile since the start of operations in 1986.

The all-new Legend is longer, wider, more powerful and achieves better fuel economy. The Legend boasts a powerful 3.2-liter 24-valve V-6 engine which produces 200 horsepower. The all-new drivetrain in the 1991 Legend features a longitudinally mounted engine, an advanced three-stage Variable Induction System, Programmed Fuel Injection (PGM-FI), and a Direct Ignition System. Also standard on all models is a Honda R & D-designed Anti-Lock Braking System a driver's side air bag and on Legend LS models, a passenger's side air bag is also included. The Legend Coupe and Sedan feature a Formula One-inspored double-wishbone suspension which delivers precise, responsive handling, combined with excellent ride quality.

Prices for the 1991 Legend Sedan start at $26,800 for the base model with a 5-speed transmission. The new Legend Sedan will be available at over 300

Acura dealerships nationwide in mid-November, with the Legend Coupe to be available in early 1991.

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#90309p3660 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - 351399 B.C. Ltd., an indirect subsidiary of Fletcher Challenge Ltd., (Toronto: FCC) announced today that it had completed transactions to acquire from its affiliate 361324 B.C. Ltd. and from Fletcher Challenge Limited, 799,850 and 500 Series 1 Exchangeable Shares of Fletcher Challenge Investments Inc., respectively.

361324 B.C. Ltd. originally acquired the 799,850 Series 1 Exchangeable Shares from Fletcher Challenge Ltd. Fletcher Challenge Ltd. had acquired those Series 1 Exchangeable Shares from holders who received the right to exchange those shares for ordinary shares of Fletcher Challenge Ltd.

The transactions will result in 351399 B.C. Ltd. owning approximately 94 percent of the issued and outstanding Series 1 Exchangeable Shares.

Fletcher Challenge Industries Canada Inc., an indirect subsidiary of Fletcher Challenge Limited, owns all of the outstanding common shares of Fletcher Challenge Investments Inc. The acquisitions were effected through private agreements as part of an internal corporate reorganization.

CONTACT: John K. Graf of Fletcher Challenge Canada 604-654-4383

-30- 1336

#90309p3663 11/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF (NOV. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Cannon Pictures Inc. (NASDAQ: CNPI) today announced that Christopher Pearce, the chief executive officer of Cannon, by and through his wholly owned corporation, has entered into an agreement with Pathe Communications Corp. to acquire the 32,766,667 shares of common stock Pathe owns in Cannon, together with the 26,100,000 Class B Warrants Pathe owns in Cannon, for a purchase price of $5,000,000 payable by promissory note. In addition, by and through another of his wholly owned corporations, Pearce has agreed to acquire from an affiliate of Pathe, the office building located at 8200 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif., for a purchase price of $9,000,000, also payable by promissory note. Cannon currently occupies a portion of the office building.

In connection with the foregoing, Pearce has agreed to vote the common stock he will acquire in Cannon so that Pathe will have one of its nominees on Cannon's board of directors, but only for so long as the promissory notes

remain unpaid. Additionally, Pearce's agreement with Pathe provides that members of Cannon's board of directors who serve as officers and directors of Pathe will resign from the Cannon board at the closing of Pearce's acquisitions of the common stock, warrants and office building.

Pearce's agreement with Pathe further provides that Giancarlo Parretti, Comfinance S.A. and Pathe will be released from their obligations to provide or guarantee the loan of funds to Cannon for motion picture production and overhead expenses; this release will be effective, however, only at the closing of these transactions. Pearce, again through one of his wholly owned corporations, is working closely with Credit Lyonnais Bank Nederlands N.V. to obtain a loan to pay off Cannon's secured debt to CLBN in the approximate amount of $17,500,000. In turn, Cannon will issue its secured promissory notes to Pearce's corporations in the approximate amount of $17,500,000. It is anticipated that Cannon will serve as a guarantor of Pearce's corporations' debt to CLBN. The foregoing financial arrangements and acquisitions have not yet been completed, and the parties can provide no assurances as to whether or when such arrangements and acquisitions will be completed.

Cannon is primarily engaged in the financing, production, worldwide distribution and exhibition of motion pictures for the theatrical market. It also distributes motion pictures for exhibition on free and pay television and in home video markets.

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ABU DHABI (NOV. 5) TASS - IRAQI AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN DETAINING ABOUT 1,000 INDIANS AND NATIONALS FROM OTHER ASIAN COUNTRIES, WHO LEFT KUWAIT, ON THE TURKISH BORDER FOR OVER 20 DAYS, THE GULF NEWS NEWSPAPER REPORTS TODAY.

AN INDIAN CITIZEN WHO ARRIVED IN DUBAI FROM THE TURKISH CITY OF SIPOLI, WHERE HE WAITED FOR HIS BROTHER, SAID THAT IRAQI BORDER AUTHORITIES DID NOT ALLOW INDIANS AND OTHER ASIAN CITIZENS WHO HAD LIVED IN KUWAIT TO GO TO TURKEY IN THEIR CARS.

SEVERAL HUNDRED FAMILIES WITHOUT FOOD AND SHELTER HAVE BEEN LIVING FOR SEVERAL WEEKS IN CARS, WAITING FOR EXIT VISAS.

ALL ATTEMPTS BY THE INDIAN EMBASSY IN BAGHDAD TO HELP THEIR NATIONALS AND OTHER REFUGEES LEAVE IRAQ WERE FUTILE.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 5) TASS - AS MANY AS 1,965,000 CRIMES WERE RECORDED IN THE

SOVIET UNION OVER THE PAST NINE MONTHS, 12.3 PER- CENT MORE THAN DURING THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

AS IN I989, THE NUMBER OF GRAVE CRIMES GREW FASTER THAN THAT OF OTHER OFFENCES. DELIBERATE MURDERS, SERIOUS BODILY INJURIES AND RAPE ACCOUNTED FOR 26.4 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL. THESE FIGURES WERE DIVULGED TODAY AT A BRIEFING AT THE CENTRAL MUSEUM OF THE USSR MINISTRY FOR THE INTERIOR, HELD ON THE EVE OF SOVIET MILITIA DAY.

AS MANY AS 346,000 PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED FOR VIOLATING THE LAW THIS YEAR. THE MILITIA TRACKED DOWN ALMOST 88,000 WANTED CRIMINALS. JOINTLY WITH THE KGB, THE MILITIA HAS EXPOSED 921 ORGANISED GANGS, AS MANY AS 13,700 CRIMES CONNECTED WITH DRUG TRAFFICKING, CONFISCATED 14.8 TONNES OF NARCOTICS AND WIPED OUT 18,300 UNLAWFUL NARCOTIC CROPS PLANTATIONS.

EFFORTS TO COMBAT CRIME IN THE NATIONAL ECONOMY HAVE BEEN INTENSIFIED. ACCORDING TO DATA FURNISHED BY VYACHESLAV RUNYSHKOV, CHEIF OF THE CENTRAL BOARD FOR COMBATTING THEFTS OF SOCIALIST PROPERTY AND BLACK-MARKETEERING, SOME 55,900 THEFTS WERE DISCLOSED SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR. MORE THAN 7,000 OF THEM WERE PARTICULARLY LARGE SCALE. THERE WERE 3,500 CASES OF BRIBING AND MORE THAN 185,000 PEOPLE CAUGHT RESELLING GOODS IN SHORT SUPPLY.

ACCORDING TO THE USSR MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR, 775 MILITIAMEN AND INTERIOR SERVICEMEN WERE KILLED AND 6,799 WOUNDED ON DUTY. THE MILITIA RESORTED TO FIRE ARMS IN 2,470 CASES THIS YEAR.

THE TOTAL ALLOCATIONS FOR THE MILITIA AMOUNTED TO 11 BILLION ROUBLES THIS YEAR. INTERIOR MINISTRY OFFICIALS BELIEVE THAT APPROXIMATELY 20 BILLION ROUBLES WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMBAT CRIME EFFECTIVELY NEXT YEAR. FIFTY-THREE PER CENT OF THIS SUM SHOULD COME FROM THE FEDERAL BUDGET AND 47 PERCENT FROM REPUBLICAN BUDGETS.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 5) TASS - IT WAS REPORTED HERE TODAY THAT CONSULTATIONS WERE HELD AT THE SUPREME SOVIET OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION BETWEEN PLENIPOTENTIARY DELEGATIONS FROM RUSSIA AND THE UKRAINE TO DRAW UP A TREATY ON BASIC PRINCIPLES FOR RELATIONS BETWEEN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AND THE UKRAINIAN REPUBLIC.

PREVIOUS CONSULTATIONS WERE HELD IN KIEV THIS OCTOBER. THE MOSCOW MEETING HAS PRACTICALLY AGREED UPON THE TEXT OF THE TREATY. IT ENVISAGES DEVELOPING RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO REPUBLICS ON THE BASIS OF FRIENDSHIP, GOOD-NEIGHBOURLINESS, MUTUALLY ADVANTAGEOUS COOPERATION, NON-INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND RENUNCIATION OF POWER AND ECONOMIC PRESSURING.

THE DRAFT TREATY STIPULATES MUTUAL RESPECT FOR THE STATE SOVEREIGNTY AND

TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THE TWO REPUBLICS WITHIN THEIR EXISTING BORDERS.

CONSULTATIONS ARE EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

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KISHINEV (NOV. 5) TASS - THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT HAS REJECTED ATTEMPTS TO SETTLE INTERETHNIC CONFLICTS IN THE REPUBLIC BY FORCE, MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT VICE PRESIDENT VIKTOR PUSHKASHU SAID TODAY.

IN A RADIO ADDRESS, PUSHKASHU SAID THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT HAS DECIDED TO DISBAND VOLUNTEER, SELF-DEFENCE AND OTHER ILLEGAL DETACHMENTS WITHIN 24 HOURS AND LIQUIDATE ALL RECENTLY ERECTED CONTROL POSTS AND STRUCTURES ON ROADS AND IN REPUBLICAN SETTLEMENTS.

THE REPUBLICAN INTERIOR MINISTRY AND THE REPUBLICAN KGB HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO ENSURE CONTROL OVER THE VOLUNTARY TURNING IN OF ARMS AND CONFISCATION OF WEAPONS, EXPLOSIVES AND PYROTECHNICAL SUBSTANCES AND COPYING FACILITIES FROM ILLEGAL FORMATIONS.

THE PARLIAMENT HAS SET UP A CONCILIATORY COMMISSION TO WORK OUT PROPOSALS BY NOVEMBER 12 ON MOVING THE REPUBLIC OUT OF THE CRISIS.

THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT CALLED ON THE MASS MEDIA TO RESTRAIN FROM PUBLICATIONS, CAPABLE OF STIRRING UP PASSIONS AND AGGRAVATING THE SITUATION. "IT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE PEOPLE RETURN TO WORK, AS MANY OF THEM HAVE RECENTLY BEEN DIVERTED FROM THEIR DAILY BUSINESSES," PUSHKASHU SAID.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 5) TASS - THE INTRODUCTION OF A COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE RATE FOR THE ROUBLE IS A LOGICAL EVENT IN THE REFORM OF THE SOVIET UNION'S FOREIGN ECONOMIC ACTIVITY, OLEG MOZHAISKOV, MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF THE USSR STATE BANK, TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE TODAY.

HE SAID THE AIM OF THE MOVE WAS TO "COMPLETELY EXCLUDE REQUESTS BY SOVIET PARTNERS IN FOREIGN ECONOMIC TIES FOR BUDGET ALLOCATIONS".

MOZHAISKOV SAID THE PROBLEM OF THE ROUBLE'S "REAL EXCHANGE RATE TO THE DOLLAR HAS NEVER BEEN AS ACUTE UNDER THE CENTRALISED ECONOMY AS IT IS NOW".

"SEVERAL YEARS AGO, THE ABSOLUTE EXCHANGE RATE OF THE ROUBLE DID NOT MATTER MUCH TO PARTNERS IN FOREIGN ECONOMIC TIES, AS THE STATE KNEW IN ADVANCE WHAT IT WOULD SELL AND BUY.

"ALL PROFITS FROM FOREIGN TRADE OPERATIONS WERE INCLUDED IN THE BUDGET, AND

UNPROFITABLE OPERATIONS WERE SUBSIDISED FROM IT.

"THE DECENTRALISATION OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES HAS COMPLICATED RELATIONS BETWEEN SOVIET ENTERPRISES PARTICIPATING IN FOREIGN ECONOMIC OPERATIONS AND THE STATE. THE INTRODUCTION OF THE NEW EXCHANGE RATE WILL MAKE THE PROBLEM MUCH LESS ACUTE."

MOZHAISKOV EXPLAINED THAT THE NEW COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE RATE OF THE ROUBLE -- 1.8 ROUBLES PER U.S. DOLLAR -- "REFLECTS THE AVERAGE PARITY BETWEEN THE PURCHASING POWER OF THE ROUBLE AND THE DOLLAR. THIS PARITY HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED ON THE BASIS OF THE CORRELATION BETWEEN SOVIET AND WORLD PRICES ON A WIDER RANGE OF GOODS THAN PREVIOUSLY USED."

HE NOTED THAT THE FORMER EXCHANGE RATE -- 60 KOPECKS PER DOLLAR -- WAS "UNREAL AS IT REFLECTED PRICES ON A VERY NARROW GROUP OF GOODS".

MOZHAISKOV SAID THE NEW RATE "CORRESPONDS TO THE SOVIET ECONOMY'S EXPORT POSSIBILITIES. HOWEVER, THE INTRODUCTION OF THE COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE RATE DOES NOT ANNUL THE EXISTING RATE USED IN FOREIGN TRADE PAYMENTS.

"THE EXISTENCE OF PARALLEL EXCHANGE RATES IS IN LINE WITH INTERNATIONAL PRACTICES, FOR INSTANCE, IN COUNTRIES WITH NONCONVERTIBLE CURRENCY, WHERE EACH EXCHANGE RATE FULFILLS ITS OWN FUNCTIONS.

"THE ROUBLE'S COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE RATE SHOULD PREVENT SOVIET ENTERPRISES AND ORGANISATIONS FROM ASKING THE FINANCE MINISTRY FOR SUBSIDIES. SUBSIDIES SHOULD NOT EXIST, EXCEPT FOR THOSE FOR IMPORTS OF SOCIAL SIGNIFICANCE, SUCH AS MEDICINES."

SPEAKING ABOUT PAYMENTS FOR GOODS AND SERVICES BY SOVIET HOLDERS OF HARD CURRENCY, MOZHAISKOV SAID THAT PRICES OF THESE GOODS AND SERVICES "ARE BEING BROUGHT INTO LINE WITH THE NEW RATE" AND THAT THEIR HARD CURRENCY PRICES "REMAIN UNCHANGED".

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MOSCOW (NOV. 5) TASS - PAULA DOBRIANSKY WAS SWORN IN AS ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY (USIA) IN MOSCOW TODAY.

THE CEREMONY TOOK PLACE DURING A RECEPTION FOR PARTICIPANTS IN THE FOURTH SOVIET-U.S. MEETING ON CULTURAL AND INFORMATION EXCHANGES, GIVEN BY U.S. AMBASSADOR JACK MATLOCK AT HIS SPASO HOUSE RESIDENCE.

MATLOCK TOLD THE AUDIENCE THAT PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH HAD SIGNED DOBRIANSKY'S APPOINTMENT A FEW DAYS EARLIER, AND PROPOSED HOLDING THE SWEARING-IN CEREMONY DURING THE RECEPTION.

USIA DIRECTOR BRUCE GELB READILY AGREED AND SWORE IN HIS NEW ASSOCIATE.

SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER VLADIMIR PETROVSKY, HEAD OF THE SOVIET DELEGATION TO THE SOVIET-U.S. MEETING, WAS AMONG THE FIRST TO CONGRATULATE DOBRIANSKY.

DOBRIANSKY TOLD TASS THAT THE FACT THAT THE CEREMONY TOOK PLACE IN THE SOVIET UNION WAS HISTORIC AND SYMBOLIC, AS SHE IS OF UKRAINIAN DESCENT.

THE SWEARING-IN CEREMONY WILL BE REPEATED IN WASHINGTON AFTER DOBRIANSKY'S RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - The U-S-born founder of the Jewish Defense League is dead. Rabbi Meir Kahane was shot and killed tonight at a midtown Manhattan hotel. Police say the suspect in the shooting was also shot... and is in custody.

The shooting comes one week after fliers threatening Jewish children began circulating through a Brooklyn neighborhood. The fliers signed ''Moslems from New York'' said Jewish children would be killed in response to the deaths of Palestinians in Israel.

President Bush signed the nation's deficit-cutting agreement tonight, putting pen to paper after a day of campaigning in Texas. The plan includes tax hikes and spending cuts that evolved during a protracted fight on Capitol Hill.

In a statement, Bush calls the budget plan ''a compromise that merits enactment.'' Bush alienated many members of his own party by going back on his campaign pledge of NO new taxes.

The Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee is criticizing Republicans in North Carolina for sending out what the Justice Department terms ''inaccurate'' postcards on voting tomorrow. The panel's chairman says ''Jesse Helms will have to answer'' for any efforts to deny citizens their right to vote.

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#90309u0070 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - On a day when six games were lopsided, Jeff Rutledge lifted the Washington Redskins to the biggest comeback in the NFL this season.

Rutledge came off the bench to replace Stan Humphries with the Redskins trailing 35-14 early in the third quarter. He completed 30 of 42 passes for 363 yards and a touchdown, ran 12 yards to a TD that sent the game into overtime and led Washington into position for Chip Lohmiller's 34-yard

overtime field goal.

Lohmiller's field goal gave the Redskins a 41-38 road victory over the Detroit Lions.

''It's something I'll always look back on if I never play another game,'' said Rutledge, who played in only one game each of the last two seasons while with the New York Giants.

''To be able to come to Washington (as a Plan B free agent) and get the chance to play is a dream come true. I didn't know if I'd ever get to play ... I may never get to play again, but you can't take away today,'' said the 13-year veteran from Alabama.

''I told my wife earlier in the week I thought I was going to get a chance to play. I don't know why. I just had a gut feeling. Maybe it was wishful thinking.''

Rutledge led Washington to its 12th straight victory over the Lions and kept the Redskins, 5-3, in the NFC wild-card race lead. He also won a starting job.

''I think I'd be hung from something if I didn't start Jeff next week,'' Redskins Coach Joe Gibbs said.

Rutledge led Washington on five scoring drives. He hit Gary Clark on a 34-yard strike in the fourth quarter before scoring on a quarterback draw with 18 seconds left in the fourth quarter.

There were another half dozen teams that could have used Rutledge- like heroics, although even he likely could not help Cleveland Sunday.

The Browns were trounced 42-0 by Buffalo, suffering their worst home loss ever and worst beating anywhere in 21 years. Thurman Thomas scored three TDs and Darryl Talley returned his second interception 60 yards for another TD to lift Buffalo, 7-1, to its sixth straight victory. The Browns, 2-7, lost their fourth straight and added fuel to speculation coach Bud Carson will be fired soon.

Even Carson said he feared the end was near.

''Absolutely,'' he said when asked if he was worried about his job. ''I've got to go home and think about it myself. To be honest with you, the last thing I want to do is be part of a football team that can't win. If I'm that part of it, then I'll know it and I'll step away from it.''

-- AROUND THE NFL --

Five other games Sunday were decided by 15 or more points. Miami slammed

Phoenix 23-3, Chicago slapped Tampa Bay 26-6, Philadelphia bombed New England 48-20, San Diego trounced Seattle 31-14, and the NY Jets ripped Dallas 24-9.

On Monday night, Indianapolis is home against the New York Giants.

At Miami, Dan Marino threw touchdown passes of 17 yards to Tony Paige and 7 to Mark Clayton and the Dolphins defense shut down Phoenix for their fifth straight victory. Miami, 7-1, remained tied with Buffalo atop the AFC East.

At Tampa, Fla., rookie safety Mark Carrier keyed a defense that forced six turnovers and yielded just nine first downs, sparking Chicago to a vengeful rout. Carrier, a first-round pick out of Southern Cal, caused a fumble and intercepted two passes as the Bears built a 17-0 halftime lead and coasted. In avenging two losses to Tampa Bay last season, the 7-1 Bears registered five interceptions against Vinny Testaverde, the NFL's second-rated passer.

At Philadephia, Randall Cunningham passed for four touchdowns and ran for a fifth to lift the Eagles to a 48-20 rout of the New England Patriots. Cunningham hit Keith Jackson for two TDs, scored on a 52-yard run and gained 124 yards rushing on eight carries. Heath Sherman also ran for 113 yards, marking the first time since 1978 two Philadelphia runners gained 100 yards in a game. Philadelphia, 4-4, reached .500 for the first time this season while New England, 1-7, lost its sixth straight.

At Seattle, Billy Joe Tolliver threw two touchdown passes and rookie Nate Lewis returned a punt 63 yards to lead San Diego to its first victory in Seattle since 1980. The Chargers had lost their last eight trips to the Kingdome.

At East Rutherford, N.J., rookie Terance Mathis tied an NFL record with a 98-yard punt return and New York held Dallas without a touchdown. Brad Baxter and Freeman McNeil ran for fourth-quarter TDs to help the Jets, 4-5, win their second straight.

In other games, Kansas City shaded the Los Angeles Raiders 9-7, San Francisco edged Green Bay 24-20, New Orleans cracked Cincinnati 21-7, the Los Angeles Rams trimmed Houston 17-13, Pittsburgh dumped Houston 21-9 and Minnesota nicked Denver 27-22.

At Kansas City, Mo., Kevin Porter blocked a punt and Albert Lewis recovered a fumble to set up two of Nick Lowery's three field goals for the Chiefs. Kansas City, 5-3, pulled within one game of the first-place Raiders, 6-2, in the AFC West.

At Green Bay, Wis., Joe Montana threw for 411 yards and three touchowns to help the 49ers win their 16th straight game and avenge their last loss. San Francisco, 8-0, last lost Nov. 19, 1989, 21-17, to Green Bay at Candlestick Park. The 49ers have won 14 straight regular season road games. Montana

completed 25 of 40 attempts, and moved past John Hadl into fifth place on the NFL career list with 33,599 passing yards.

At Cincinnati, Craig Heyward rushed 121 yards and Rueben Mayes ran 115 yards to power New Orleans past Cincinnati. Heyward, who carried 19 times including a 1-yard touchdown, and Mayes, who ran 30 times with a 6-yard TD, gave New Orleans a pair of 100-yard rushers for only the third time in franchise history.

At Anaheim, Calif., Bobby Humphery intercepted a fourth-quarter pass in the end zone and knocked away another in the final seconds to preserve the Rams' victory. Humphery intercepted a Warren Moon pass with 6:30 left and batted away a fourth-down pass at the 1 with 40 seconds left.

At Pittsburgh, Bubby Brister passed for two second-half touchdowns and the Steelers forced five turnovers to rout the Falcons and give coach Chuck Noll a victory over archrival Jerry Glanville. Warren Williams put the game out of reach when he broke loose for a 70-yard touchdown with 2:41 left, helping the Steelers, 5-4, tie Cincinnati for first place in the AFC Central.

At Minneapolis, Anthony Carter made a leaping catch of Rich Gannon's 56-yard TD pass on a flea-flicker early in the fourth quarter to help the Vikings snap a five-game winning streak. The Broncos, 3-5, blew a 16-0 first-half lead and played the second half without quarterback John Elway, who was injured in the second quarter. Denver is off to its worst start in a non-strike season since 1975.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - Democrats will retain control of Congress in Tuesday's volatile midterm elections, but a strong anti-incumbent fever among voters could claim some well-known Senate veterans, both political parties agree.

Republicans and Democrats do not expect a blowout election - the ''throw the bums out'' mood crosses party lines - but forecast marginal gains in the House for the Democrats and possibly a standoff, or a small gain for either party, in the Senate.

The GOP feels it has managed to stem anti-Republican fervor, fueled by the Democrats' highly succesfull ''soak the rich'' campaign that sent poll numbers for their candidates skidding and threatened a double-digit loss in the House.

Going into the election, the Democrats control the House 258-175 with two vacancies and the Senate by a delicate 55-45, not enough to override any of President Bush's 16 vetoes in the last two years.

Republicans have not had a majority in the House since 1953-54 and in the Senate since 1986.

Analysts for both parties expect only minor changes in the House, although that could be an effort to put some ''spin control'' on the elections to guard against too-high expectations.

Republicans claim they hope only to hold the seats they have. Democrats contend that picking up more than eight House seats would be a good showing for them.

But independent analysts report a plunge in the polls for many incumbents and see a re-election rate for House members below the 98 percent in 1988 and 1986.

Republicans and Democrats agree that the Senate will remain at or within one, or at the outside two, seats of the current 55-45 margin, with the races in Hawaii, Oregon, Minnesota and North Carolina probably deciding the result.

The Republicans single out Rep. Patricia Saiki as having the best chance to unseat a Democrat, Sen. Daniel Akaka of Hawaii, who was named to fill the vacancy created by the death of Sen. Spark Matsunaga, also a Democrat.

Late polls showed Saiki with a small edge, well within the margin of error, over Akaka. But Hawaii is traditionally a Democratic state and a good turnout by the party machine could be decisive.

In three other races rated the closest - Oregon, Minnesota and North Carolina - veteran Republican senators are in danger of losing their seats to almost unknown Democratic challengers.

The closest - and closest watched - race is in North Carolina, where three-term Sen. Jesse Helms, the guru of the political right, is running against Harvey Gantt, the black liberal Democratic former mayor of Charlotte.

Democrats and Republicans agree this is a dead-heat race with the outcome hinging on voter turnout. The polls show Helms and Gantt within a few percentage points, but pollsters often have been misled when a black candidate is running.

Helms injected the racial issue by accusing Gantt of backing ''Kennedy quotas'' and Democrats have charged the GOP with intimidation tactics in a campaign that turned increasingly uglier as election day neared.

In Oregon, Sen. Mark Hatfield, the last Republican liberal in the Senate, has run into an alarmingly strong challenge from political novice Harry Lonsdale, a Democrat stressing environmental issues.

This is also considered a dead-heat race, although Republicans contend, and

Democrats do not disagree, that Hatfield might have turned the corner last week and will keep intact his record of never having been beaten in nearly 40 years in politics.

But the election has been a dramatic eye-opener for Hatfield, who, before this year, never used television ads or negative campaigning. He was finally forced to fight back after Lonsdale accused him of being a toady of the lumber industry and that he had lost contact with the state.

In Minnesota, internal GOP tracking polls showed that Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, a Republican seeking a third term, has never trailed, but even Republicans concede he is in a ''clearly close race'' against political scientist Paul Wellstone and that the battle has ''tightened considerably'' in the last 30 days.

Although Democrats do not say so publicly, they seem to indicate that their best shot of unseating a Republican is in Minnesota.

Both parties are still keeping an eye on Iowa, where independent and GOP polls show Sen. Thomas Harkin, the Democrat, holding a seven-point lead over Republican Rep. Tom Tauke. Iowa is considered an unpredictable state and the GOP clings to the fact that Harkin has yet to breach the magic 50 percent mark in any polls.

Republicans also still talk of the vulnerability of Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., and even of Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass. But the numbers don't look good for the Republican candidates.

None of the best-known House members are considered in serious trouble. At one point Democrats, and probably some mainline Republicans, hoped that Rep. Newt Gingrich of Georgia, the conservative assistant House GOP leader and White House nemesis, would get dumped. It doesn't seem in the cards.

Several members could get beat by their connections to the savings and loan scandal or to the figures in the financial disaster. They include 26-year veteran Rep. Frank Annunzio, D-Ill., Rep. Charles Pashayan, R-Calif., and Rep. Denny Smith, R-Ore.

Rep. Roy Dyson, D-Md., has been hit by new disclosures of his ties to defense contractors and his late acknowledgments that he was a conscientous objector during the Vietnam War, and Rep. Arlan Strangeland, R-Minn., has been hounded for using congressional phones for personal calls.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	2	0	1.000	-
Philadelphia	2	0	1.000	-
Miami	1	0	1.00	1/2
New York	1	1	.500	1
Washington	1	1	.500	1
New Jersey	0	2	.000	2

CENTRAL DIVISION

Atlanta	2	0	1.000	-
Detroit	2	0	1.000	-
Charlotte	1	1	.500	1
Indiana	1	1	.500	1
Milwaukee	1	1	.500	1
Chicago	0	2	.000	2
Cleveland	0	2	.000	2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	1	0	1.000	-
Dallas	1	1	.500	1/2
Minnesota	1	1	.500	1/2
Utah	1	1	.500	1/2
Denver	0	2	.000	1 1/2
Houston	0	2	.000	1 1/2
Orlando	0	2	.000	1 1/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

LA Clippers	2	0	1.000	-

Portland	2	0	1.000	-
Seattle	1	0	1.000	1/2
Golden State	1	1	.500	1
Phoenix	1	1	.500	1
LA Lakers	0	1	.000	1 1/2
Sacramento	0	2	.000	2

-30- 1309

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HOUSTON (NOV. 5) UPI - President Bush conceded it was risky, but accepted the dare anyway. Perhaps now he wishes he picked another number.

With a bevy of reporters watching at a Texas GOP telephone bank, Bush selected a name at random from the Greater Houston telephone book and placed a call on behalf of Clayton Williams, the Republican gubernatorial nominee.

The phone was listed to Malissia Johnson on Sayers Street.

''Ms. Johnson. You won't believe this,'' he began Sunday. ''This is the president of the United States calling, and I'm just doing a little work at the polling operation, trying to get people out to vote. And I just hope you and your family are all going to vote this year and needless to say I'd appreciate it if you could vote for our full ticket.''

Bush understood her to say she would, and exclaimed, ''Will ya,'' drawing laughter, cheers and relief from Williams and campaign supporters.

''Thank you,'' he gushed. ''I'll drop you a little note.''

Johnson, reached afterward, said she thought at the time that the call was from a prankster.

''I thought it was a joke,'' said Ms. Johnson, a home health care worker and a registered Democrat who said she intends to vote Tuesday for Williams' Democratic foe, Ann Richards.

She said she told Bush that she was going to vote, but that he must have understood her to say she would vote Republican.

One other thing.

Ms. Johnson's first name isn't Malissia. It's Mary. ''Malissia was my mother-in-law. She's dead.''

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(NOV. 5) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	11	5	0	22	67	40
New Jersey	9	5	1	19	59	48
Washington	9	7	0	18	52	50
Philadelphia	8	7	0	16	58	53
Pittsburgh	7	6	1	15	64	54
NY Islanders	4	10	0	8	36	61

ADAMS DIVISION

Montreal	8	6	2	18	53	50
Boston	7	5	2	16	43	50
Buffalo	5	5	4	14	45	41
Hartford	4	8	2	10	33	48
Quebec	3	9	3	9	40	61

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	10	6	0	20	52	37
St. Louis	9	4	1	19	51	39
Detroit	7	5	3	17	58	57
Minnesota	3	9	4	10	42	60
Toronto	2	13	1	5	42	80

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	11	5	0	22	68	45
Los Angeles	10	4	1	21	66	45
Vancouver	7	7	0	14	42	46
Winnipeg	6	8	1	13	48	47
Edmonton	2	8	2	6	31	37

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(NOV. 5) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

No games scheduled

FOOTBALL

NY Giants at Indianapolis, 9 p.m.

HOCKEY

Boston at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Indianapolis - $150,000 Kraft General Foods women's tournament
London - $500,000 men's Silk Cut Championships
Moscow - $330,000 Kremlin Cup
Worcester, Mass. - $350,000 Virginia Slims of New England

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(NOV. 5) UPI - Iraq released 15 Germans Sunday, one day before former Chancellor Willy Brandt was scheduled to visit Baghdad to get more foreign hostages released. The German news agency said 15 of 400 Germans held in Iraq and Kuwait were allowed to leave Baghdad and arrived in Amman.

President Bush will devote Monday to campaigning across Texas on behalf of Clayton Williams the G-O-P gubernatorial candidate. Bush will address rallies in Tyler, Waco and Houston, the final stops on his six- day, cross-country campaign swing.

President Bush Sunday picked a name from the Houston phone book and placed a call on behalf of Republican gubernatorial nominee Clayton Williams. The recipient of the call, Mary Johnson, later said she thought at first that the call was a joke.

NASA is investigating the discovery of a small amount of cocaine in a hangar at the Kennedy Space Center where space shuttles are prepared for launch. It's the first time cocaine has been found at the Space Center.

Election reports show that a campaign to keep marijuana legal in Alaska has raised 10 times more money than the campaign to outlaw the drug. The question will appear on Tuesday's ballot. Possession of small amounts of marijuana has been legal in Alaska since 1975.

The Justice Department says a record two-and-one-half Million convicted criminals were on probation or parole last year, a five-point- six percent increase from the year before.

Indian Prime Minister V-P Singh's party scheduled a crucial meeting Monday to decide its leadership. Both the Indian leader and dissidents claiming majority support. Two other leaders claim they have enough support in the party to select a new leader and form a fresh government.

Tributes are pouring in for actress Mary Martin, who died late Saturday of cancer at the age of 76. Bob Hope, who featured Martin on two of his T-V specials, called her a ''tremendous'' talent who ''could do it all.''

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(NOV. 5) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASKETBALL

Cedar Rapids (CBA) - Traded rights to forward Henry Turner to Yakima for right to forward Roy Marble.

FOOTBALL

LA Raiders - Activated offensive tackle Bruce Wilkerson and cornerback Garry Lewis; waived linebacker Bruce Klostermann and running back Doug Lloyd.

HOCKEY

NY Islanders - Assigned goaltender George Maneluk and left wing David Chyzowski to Capital District of the American Hockey League.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

President Bush may wish he hadN'T accepted a dare from reporters- or that he'd picked a different number. Bush picked a number at random from a Texas telephone book and placed a call on behalf of G-O-P gubernatorial hopeful Clayton Williams. Bush reached a registered Democrat who later said she thought Bush was a prankster and that she intends to vote for Ann Richards.

Bush will continue campaigning today in Texas, with rallies scheduled in Tyler and Waco. Bush will later head back to Houston, where he'll spend another evening so he can cast his ballot in his adopted homestate Tuesday morning before traveling back to Washington.

Democrats and Republicans agree that Democrats will retain control of Congress in Tuesday's volatile mid-term elections. But a strong anti- incumbent fever among voters may claim some well-known Senate veterans. North Carolina Republican Jesse Helms is in a dead-heat race against Harvey Gantt.

Israel has rejected another proposal from U-N secretary-general Javier Perez

de Cuellar. Jerusalem yesterday rejected a plan for a meeting of Geneva Convention signers to discuss the Palestinian situation. In a related word, Israeli soldiers shot and wounded about 100 Gaza Strip Arabs in a second day of violence in the occupied territories.

Mary Martin is being remembered as a woman of talent and courage. Martin... whose 50-year career included roles in ''South Pacific'' and ''Peter Pan''... died of cancer at her California home late Saturday. Former first lady Nancy Reagan calls Martin ''one of the brightest stars ever.'' Martin was 76.

A bitter strike against the nation's largest tabloid is dragging into a 12th day with NO negotiations scheduled. A spokeswoman for the New York Daily News says the tabloid is ''ready and willing'' to talk with the union representing striking workers. However, the union says the newspaper refused to schedule meetings.

A survey of Hong Kong residents shows that the majority want to keep the British colony's commuted death penalty... although it may mean a resumption of executions when China regains control in 1997. Death sentences in Hong Kong have been commuted to life imprisonment since 1966, when Britain abolished capital punishment.

A warm, sunny, spring-like day had a NOT-so pleasant effect on the 25-thousand runners taking part in the New York City Marathon. Douglas Wakiihuri of Kenya and Wanda Panfil of Poland were the winners... but both say the weather made it a struggle. Wakiihuri says everyone was sweating before the race began.

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#90309u0217 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - The Los Angeles Kings traded a first-round draft pick to obtain Daniel Berthiaume. Sunday night, the goaltender proved there was some merit to the exchange.

Berthiaume stopped all 40 shots Sunday night and Luc Robitaille snapped a scoreless tie early in the second period, leading Los Angeles to a 2-0 triumph over the Chicago Blackhawks.

''Berthiaume stood on his head tonight,'' said Blackhawks winger Steve Thomas, robbed by the 24-year-old goaltender on numerous occasions.

Chicago, which snapped its three-game winning streak, outshot the Kings 40-24 overall and 14-2 in the final period. Berthiaume recorded his fifth career shutout and first since early last season when he was with Winnipeg.

Berthiaume improved his record to 6-1 on the season, his first victory with Los Angeles since being acquired from Minnesota Sept. 6.

''He played extremely well, but I felt both goaltenders had an outstanding game,'' Kings Coach Tom Webster said. ''We gave up a first- round draft pick for him. He came into training camp very determined, and tonight he certainly put on another tremendous performance.''

Steve Kasper added an empty-net goal with one second left.

''When you have no goals against and 40 shots, it has to be one of your best games,'' Berthiaume said. ''But I think it was one of the biggest wins for the team so far this season.''

After a thrilling but scoreless first period, the Kings connected for the game's first goal on the power play at 6:44 of the second. Los Angeles failed to score with a two-man advantage, but Robitaille finally broke through with defenseman Chris Chelios still in the penalty box for cross-checking.

Todd Elik dished a perfect feed in front that Robitaille buried past Beflour's glove side for his eighth tally of the season. Wayne Gretzky got the other assist.

''That's the kind of play we practice every day,'' Robitaille said. ''I probably take a 1,000 shots every day, and I take about 500 like that. I just had to walk in and bury it in the corner.''

''Berthiaume played a great game, and he got a couple breaks,'' said Chicago goalie Ed Belfour, equally brilliant for Chicago before a sellout crowd of 18,472.

Facing Gretzky for the first time in his career, he stopped the Great One on a breakaway midway through the first period. Gretzky picked off a pass at center ice, moved in alone and tried to beat Belfour with a backhander, but the rookie slid to his left and blocked the shot with his pads.

Facing Belfour, the NHL's leading goaltender in wins and goals- against average, Berthiaume knew he would have to be at his best.

''I thought if we could put a couple in, maybe he would get shaky,'' Berthiaume said. ''But he was awesome and made some really good saves. I closed the door on my side, and that's all I can say.''

Webster complimented Gretzky on his defense.

''He was committed,'' Webster said. ''He came back, worked down low with the defensemen in some unknown territory that he hasn't been before. It was tremendous.''

Elsewhere in the NHL, Buffalo beat Calgary 2-1, Minnesota and Montreal tied 2-2 and Philadelphia blasted Toronto 7-1.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Sabres 2, Flames 1

At Buffalo, N.Y., Dave Snuggerud's goal early in the second period broke a 1-1 tie and Clint Malarchuk stopped 34 shots to help the Sabres remain undefeated in their last five games. Calgary, which outshot Buffalo 35-21, had their five-game victory streak snapped.

North Stars 2, Canadiens 2, OT

At Montreal, Andrew Cassels scored his first goal of the season at 12:54 of third period to lift the Canadiens to the tie with Minnesota. Cassels took a pass from Mathieu Schneider at the blue line, skated in and fired a high shot past goalie Jon Casey.

Flyers 7, Leafs 1

At Toronto, Scott Mellanby had two goals and an assist and Tim Kerr set up three goals, powering Philadelphia. Keith Acton added a goal and an assist and Flyers goalies Pete Peeters and Ken Wregget combined to stop 31 shots.

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#90309u0251 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (NOV. 5) UPI - Vietnam has agreed to increase by 30,000 the number of people allowed to emigrate legally to about 100,000 people next year a Vietnamese newspaper said.

''Altogether, some 100,000 people, including those scheduled to leave for Europe, will be granted exit permits in 1991,'' the newspaper Saigon Giai Phong reported Oct. 11. A translation of the report was made available Monday.

That would be a major increase over the estimated 70,000 Vietnamese emigrating in 1990, the report said.

The newspaper said U.S. and Vietnamese officials agreed that some 66, 000-72,000 Vietnamese would be resettled in the United States next year. Those people would include some 15,000 children of American servicemen from the Vietnam War era and their families, along with 18,000 former ''re-education camp'' prisoners.

The 1991 plan includes provisions for 9,000 people to emigrate to Australia and 5,000-6,000 to Canada, the newspaper said.

Saigon Giai Phong said Vietnamese and U.S. officials agreed to improve procedures for interviews and medical checkups to eliminate the need for

would-be immigrants to the United States to stop over in Thailand for further health and paperwork checks.

Two Vietnamese hospitals will arrange for more than 12,000 health checkups per month, it said.

The national airline, Air Vietnam, has agreed to provide transport for some 55,000 people with the rest transported by foreign airlines, it said.

The program for legal emigration from Vietnam was set up to prevent Vietnamese from making risky and illegal attempts to leave the country by boat.

Officials estimate that tens of thousands of Vietnamese have been killed in storms or encounters with pirates during illegal escapes. Thousands more remain in refugee camps around Southeast Asia.

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#90309u0334 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - Secretary of State Baker today continues his eight-nation, seven-day Mideast-European tour. He reportedly is seeking a mandate for the use of force against Saddam Hussein. Baker also warned U- S troops that the future is uncertain.

Former German Chancellor Willy Brandt arrives in Baghdad today for a four-day visit to talk with Iraqi officials about the gulf crisis. Yesterday, Iraq released 15 German nationals who had been held hostage.

Indian Prime Minister V-P Singh will have to fight for his job today. Dissidents in Singh's Janata Dal party say they NO longer recognize him as head of the party. But Singh loyalists express confidence in the embattled leader.

The director of the New York State Bar's Lawyers Assistance Program saysprofessional groups are implementing a number of programs to deal with the problem of drug and alcohol dependency among lawyers. A recent report showed that one of every five lawyers struggles with some form of addiction.

A survey released today in Hong Kong says that about 71 percent of 600 residents questioned want to keep the British colony's commuted death penalty on the books. The penalty is widely used in China, which regains sovereignty over Hong Kong in 1997.

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#90309u0364 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (NOV. 5) UPI - The military announced Monday the capture of the deputy chief of the communist hit squad blamed for hundreds of

assassinations since 1987, including the April 1989 killing of U.S. Col. James ''Nick'' Rowe.

In a news conference, Army chief Maj. Gen. Guillermo Flores said troops arrested Reynaldo Bernardo, 36, Sunday as he waited for a bus in suburban Quezon City. Flores said Bernardo carried a .45 caliber pistol and did not resist arrest.

Flores said Bernardo was the intelligence chief of the communist Alex Boncayao Brigade, and was responsible for selecting ''quality targets'' of the squad. Police said Bernardo carried on his head an $18,00 reward.

A handcuffed Bernardo was presented to reporters Monday but was not allowed to talk. He had bloodshot but quick eyes, and he limped slightly and smoked as he was led to his cell.

The ABB, the Manila-based assassination squad of the 19,000-member communist New Peoples Army, has been blamed for killing more than 200 police officers, government officials and local leaders since they were let loose in the capital in early 1987.

Flores said as intelligence chief of the ABB, Bernardo had a hand in the April 21, 1989, killing in the capital of Rowe, a Vietnam War hero and ranking U.S. army officer in the Philippines. The ABB has admitted Rowes assassination.

Flores said Bernardo was undergoing ''tactical interrogation'' and shall face ''appropriate charges'' in court.

The NPA has been fighting the Manila government for 21 years.

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#90309u0366 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - Snow socked in the western mountains and the central part of the nation Monday, making roads slick and driving dangerous, while cool, wet weather stretched across much of the Midwest and East.

High winds rushing at 35 mph moved into the western mountains as one feature of a Pacific storm that dumped up to 8 inches of snow on the peaks of Wyoming.

More unusual was a storm that dropped up to 3 inches of snow on Kansas City, Mo., and combined with cold temperatures to make roads slippery.

The storm was part of a large slow-moving front that extended from the Gulf of Mexico to Michigan and was bringing wet, and some freezing, weather to the area.

More than an inch of snow covered an area near Topeka, Kan., Monday, while

snow coated grassy areas and some bridges in Lawrence, Topeka and Ottawa.

Blowing snow cut visibility in the northern and central mountains of Colorado as winds moved in from Idaho and western Montana. By Monday afternon, 4 to 8 inches of snow was expected to fall on the region.

Winds moved at 40 mph in southern Wyoming and most roads in the northern and central mountains were expected to become snowpacked Monday as temperatures remained below freezing for the night.

To the east, New York City had lows in the 50s and light winds, and Pittsburgh expected rain with winds reaching 15 mph.

Small craft advisories were posted along the coastal waters of Massachusetts from the Merrimack River to Watch Hill in Rhode Island, including Buzzards Bay Cape Cod Bay and Boston Harbor.

To the South, where Indian summer weather hung on for one more day, a small craft advisory was in effect from St. Augustine to Jupiter, Fla., with winds topping 15 mph and seas at 5 to 8 feet for higher.

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#90309u0367 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (NOV. 5) UPI - Former first lady Imelda Marcos, who was reported to have reached a deal with government repatriating part of her family's wealth, has offered to return all her late husband's riches, a newspaper said.

The independent Manila Standard said Marcos made the offer in exchange for Manila's permission to allow her to return. The Standard said it interviewed Marcos by telephone from her Beverly Hills hotel in Los Angeles Saturday.

But President Corazon Aquino said Monday the return of the former first lady was not being discussed in current negotiations for the repatriation of the Marcoses wealth from Hong Kong.

''This does not concern the return of Mrs. Marcos here,'' Aquino said.

Marcos and her late husband, Ferdinand, who was overthrown in a civilian-backed military uprising in 1986 and forced into Hawaiian exile, were alleged to have stolen upwards of $10 billion during the late dictator's 20-year rule.

President Corazon Aquino's government has banned the return of the Marcoses for security reasons.

David Castro, chairman of the presidential commission on good government,

which is in charge of recovering the Marcos wealth, announced last week the government of President Corazon Aquino was concluding a deal with Marcos repatriating 60 percent of the cash and gold in five Hong Kong banks.

Aquino said Friday in a statement to reporters the deal ''concerns sums of money held under names of nominees.''

''All the wealth of President Marcos, and my life as well, I dedicate for the betterment of all Filipinos,'' Marcos was quoted to have said by the Standard in the local Tagalog dialect.

''I am coming home to dedicate my life and my husband's legacy to rebuild the country and provide a better life for all Filipinos.''

Aquino also said ''the projected settlement does not entail dropping civil cases (against the Marcoses) in the Philippines, but possibly civil cases in the United States only, if the amounts are significant.''

Aquino said criminal cases are not part of the settlement.

The government has lodged some 47 civil suits in the Philippines against the Marcoses and their ''cronies'' in an effort to recover the alleged ill-gotten wealth stashed in local and foreign banks, but have avoided filing criminal suits against Imelda and her children.

Philippine law calls for presence of the accused in criminal suits.

Castro said the Philippines, saddled with a $27 billion foreign debt, has realized it would take a long time for the courts to settle government claims against the Marcoses.

In July, a New York federal district court acquitted Marcos of charges she stole more than $200 million during her husband's rule and spent the money to buy New York skyscrapers and works of art.

''I have long wanted to come home and help (in Philippine economic recovery) '' the Standard quoted Marcos. ''I feel like a tree, in full bloom, bursting to provide fruit, but uprooted and barred from being productive.''

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#90309u0370 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

COTABATO, Philippines (NOV. 5) UPI - Five people, including three children, drowned and another child was missing when a passenger boat capsized at a river here Monday, the Coast Guard said.

Coast Guard spokesman Lt. Cmdr. Emerson Pareja said 275 other passengers were rescued when the motor vessel Aida III overturned and capsized while cruising

the Mindanao river in Cotabato, 550 miles south of Manila.

Pareja said the 150-foot boat hit a rock on a shallow portion of the river delta, causing panic among the passengers and forced the vessel to tilt and overturn.

He said said rescuers found the bodies of five people Monday, including those of seven-month old Rodolfo Duhenia, eight-month old Arnel Montilla, and Gan-gan Losa, 4. They also recovered the bodies of two other passengers.

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#90309u0476 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, Egypt (NOV. 5) UPI - Baghdad Radio's latest propaganda ploy to get U.S. troops out of the Persian Gulf by accusing their warships of polluting the waterway has struck a chord among ecologists.

But a spokesman aboard the U.S. Navy flagship La Salle in the gulf dismissed any pollution fears, saying Monday, ''That is not an issue here.''

A U.S. Central Command spokesman in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, indicated the pollution issue was low priority for the military and said, ''We have no information on that.''

A recent broadcast on the Iraqi state-owned radio said the sensitive environment in the gulf, already damaged by oil leaks, floating and corroding mines, ship wrecks, explosions and toxic waste after the 1980- 88 Iran-Iraq war, would suffer irreversible damage if hostilities between Iraq and the power-packing U.S.-led multinational force were to break out.

''The environment in the Arabian Gulf is already extremely sensitive and requires a great deal of care,'' the radio broadcast said.

''Marine life has suffered a great deal during the (Iran-Iraq) war, and any further hostilities, especially with the large number of American warships in such a small enclosed area, would be an ecological disaster that must be avoided.''

Officials at the United Nations Environment Protection Agency in Athens, Greece, may not agree with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's decision to invade and annex Kuwait, but they are very worried about war-related pollution problems.

''We have been working so hard, step by step, to get Mediterranean states to recognize that they must clean their sea even if the cost will be more than $30 billion,'' said a UNEP spokesman.

''After the end of the (Iran-Iraq) war in 1988 there were hopes states there

would start cleaning up the gulf, and indeed almost all the major countries, including Iran and Iraq, took part ... and now we have gone back to step one with the new gulf crisis,'' the spokesman said.

''It's depressing there may be a war, but in the long term it's depressing the gulf may die,'' he said.

UNEP officials pointed out that land-based pollutants such as mercury and other industrial wastes, rather than oil slicks, cause the most damage to the environment in the gulf.

''As if pollution is not enough of a problem, we also have to worry about floating mines on beaches that explode, killing humans as well as fish,'' one official added.

The Iraqi message was music to the ears of a group of Italian ''Greens'' who visited Baghdad recently, according to the broadcast.

''Environmentally conscious people such as a recent group of visiting Italian ''Greens'' remind us that war would not only cause human lives to be lost, it would also cause serious damage to the sensitive environment of the Arabian Gulf,'' the broadcast quoted an Iraqi official as saying.

''For this reason if for no other we think the (Western forces) should think twice before any decision is taken to embark on a course of aggression.''

Ironically, the gulf's first effective anti-pollution organization after the Iran-Iraq war was set up in Kuwait and representatives from both the former war foes, Iran and Iraq, as well as from all other gulf states, had taken part.

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#90309u0503 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - President Bush is in Texas to cast his own ballot and to help Republican candidates in tomorrow's elections. Bush has scheduled campaign appearances today in Tyler and Waco with gubernatorial candidate Clayton Williams and Senator Phil Gramm.

The Washington Post quotes Secretary of State Baker as telling reporters aboard his plane en route to the Persian Gulf region that the United States is prepared to use force if the Iraq crisis cannot be resolved peacefully. .

Baker talked with Bahrain's leaders, then arrived today in Saudi Arabia, where he is expected to ask King Fahd's permission to launch a military strike against Iraq if it proves necessary. .

Baker first is meeting with the emir of Kuwait, who told reporters that he wants his country back ''today and not tomorrow.'' The emir said the timing of

any military option against Iraq is up to the members of the United Nations Security Council.

An oil industry newsletter published in Cyrpus says that soaring crude prices caused by the Gulf crisis are expected to cut demand for OPEC oil by about one-point-seven Million barrels a day during the first half of next year.

Officials in Cairo say an Egyptian Islamic group plans to translate Islamic books into Russian and send them to Moslems in the Soviet Union now that they have religous freedoms. About 11 percent of the Soviet Union's 270 Million people are Moslems.

A Justice Department report says that as of December 31st, there were an estimated four-point-one Million adults... about one out of every 46 adults nationwide... under the supervison of a corrections agency. .

The report said that a record two-and-one-half Million convicted criminals were on probation or parole last year. The report found that in the 1980's, the number of people on probation grew by 126 percent and jail and prison population grew by 114 percent.

NASA says an investigation is underway at the Kennedy Space Center after a small amount of cocaine was found under a desk in a hangar where space shuttles are prepared for launch. NASA says the desk is used by more than one person.

Striking New York Daily News workers handed out leaflets yesterday to spectators of the New York City Marathon, urging people to boycott the newspaper and its advertisers. The strike is in its 12th day today.

Reports from South Korea say at least 21 people were killed yesterday when a bus carrying classmates of former President Chun Doo Hwan crashed into a reservoir after colliding with a truck. Survivors said the passengers were returning from a visit with Chun, who is living in self-imposed internal exile.

A candidate backed by Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu squeaked through to victory yesterday in a parliamentary by-election. The contest was widely seen as a referendum on Kaifu's plan to send troops to the Middle East.

A survey of lawyers specializing in matrimonial law says that instability in the nation's economy translates into an increase in rocky marriages and divorces. The lawyers meeting in Chicago say domestic violence will increase as a result of the additional stress in relationships because of financial difficulties.

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#90309u0566 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

RANGOON, BURMA (NOV. 5) UPI - The government newspaper called Monday for a U.N. official investigating human rights violations by the ruling military junta to also look into abuses by British and Japanese troops dating back more than a century.

Sadako Ogata, an expert of the U.N. Human Rights Commission, met with diplomats at the Japanese Embassy while armed guards were stationed at a state guest house apparently to prevent her from meeting freely with the public, a diplomat said.

The government newspaper, the Working People's Daily, marked the beginning of Ogata's investigation with an appeal for her to investigate human rights abuses by British troops during the sack of the Mandalay Palace in 1885 and by British and Japanese troops during World War II.

The paper said Ogata should help Burma get back the crown jewels and other priceless articles taken away by British troops during the sack of King Thibaw's palace.

It also asked her to get reasonable compensation for the loss of life and property suffered by the Burmese people during World War II because of human rights violations by British and Japanese troops.

Diplomatic sources contacted from Bangkok said the demands appeared to be an effort to distract attention from human rights abuses by the military government.

The State Department and the human rights organization Amnesty International have charged the Burmese leadership with widespread arrests of political opponents, routine torture, suppression of free speech, and abrogating the rights of those accused to a legal defense in court.

Ogata, who arrived in Rangoon on Saturday with Jakob Moller, a senior official of the Center for Human Rights in Geneva, was housed in a tightly guarded state guest house instead of a hotel as originally planned.

A diplomat said the housing arrangement appeared intended to limit her contact with the public. She was, however, able to meet diplomats at the Japanese Embassy in a closed meeting, he said.

On the eve of her arrival, Gen. Saw Maung, head of the military government, said he could grant only those human rights that comform to the Burmese situation.

''To those of you who are saying you would get chocolates and human rights when somebody (Ogata) comes, let me tell you this: If you want the human right they have in the United States, England and India, go to those countries, if they agree to accept you,'' he said.

Saw Maung said he would not allow student demonstrations, strikes, any imitation of the East European revolutions, scribbling of demands for democracy, or destroying a dictatorship such as in Romania.

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#90309u0567 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - Washington's Mount St. Helens rumbled to life early today... shaking violently and spewing ash to a height of 30-thousand feet. Scientists could NOT make direct visual observation of the event because it occurred during darkness... but they say it is comparable to a minor eruption that occurred last winter. The volcanic event today occurred without warning.

Secretary of State Baker left Bahrain for Saudi Arabia today as he continues his eight-nation Mideast-European tour. Baker yesterday told U-S troops that the world had made a terrible mistake in not standing up to Adolf Hitler in the 1930's, but would not repeat the same mistake in the 1990's. .

Baker met with U-S troops somewhere in Saudi Arabia yesterday and praised the sacrifices that American troops and their families are making. Baker said the main question he was asked by the troops was how long they would be in the Mideast. But Baker said ''of course that's something that right now can't be answered with a great deal of specificity.''

The official Islamic Republic News Agency says Iran is bracing for an influx of between one-and-three Million refugees across its borders if war breaks out between Iraq and the U-S-led multinational force in Saudi Arabia. The news agency quoted a Tehran newspaper says saying ''Iran will be the nearest and safest shelter for those who flee the scene.''

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Philippine President Corazon Aquino says the return of former First Lady Imelda Marcos is NOT being discussed in current negotiations for the return of the Marcos wealth from Hongkong. Mrs. Marcos was reported yesterday to have offered to return the alleged stolen wealth in exchange for permission to allow her to return.

The funeral for actress Mary Martin will be private, but a public memorial service in New York will be announced at later date. Martin, veteran of 50 years on stage and screen, died Saturday of cancer at the age of 76. A spokesman for Martin's son Larry Hagman, said the actress was hospitalized in late October in Rancho Mirage, California, and was released last Tuesday to return to her home in the desert resort.

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#90309u0591 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - Stock prices posted slight gains Monday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange as the Middle East situation coupled with U.S. developments robbed the market of virtually all activity.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected shares, which fell 100.17 points Friday rebounded 190.34 points to 24,385.33.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchnage Price Index, which lost 8.41 points Friday, advanced 14.85 points to 1,801.23.

Advances led declines 696 to 226, while 153 issues remained unchanged.

In one of the slowest sessions of the year, just 220 million shares changed hands, compared with 320 million Friday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange reversed an early 25-point gain to close lower Monday in quite trading.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which gained 10.18 points Friday, shed 11.68 points to 2,967.24.

Among the narrower indexes, financials shed 17.15 points, industrials added 1.81, utilities lost 13.52 and properties fell 35.52 points.

Volume amounted to an estimated 710 million shares, compared with 670 million shares Friday.

In Singapore, stocks firmed in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in line with the gain in Tokyo as bargain hunters halted a streak of declines over four sessions.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which lost 2.58 points Friday, rose 1.82 points to 1,132.92. The broader-based All Singapore Index rose 0.08 point to 315.15.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 29.4 million shares, compared with 28.6 million shares Friday.

Elsewhere around the region: Stocks closeed higher in moderate trading on the Thailand exchange.

In Taipei, stocks closed higher on the Taiwan Exchange.

In Australia, stock prices closed higher in moderate trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

In Wellington, stock prices closed higher in moderate trading on the New Zealand Exchange.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	58	34	....
Anchorage mc	32	20	....
Asheville cy	68	45	....
Atlanta sh	73	45	....
Baltimore pc	69	51	....
Billings snsh	40	20	.17
Birmingham sh	68	39	....
Bismarck cy	42	19	....
Boston mc	51	42	....
Brownsville pc	74	55	.49
Buffalo r	48	44	.36
Burlington Vt. cy	44	40	.02
Charleston S.C. pc	80	58	....
Charlotte mc	74	51	....
Chicago r	41	32	.95
Cincinnati r	66	41	....
Cleveland r	65	43	....
Columbus Ohio r	67	43	....
Dallas sy	59	37	.34
Denver mc	54	27	....
Des Moines mc	43	29	....
Detroit r	52	39	.59
Duluth cy	35	22	....
El Paso c	70	37	....
Evansville sh	61	37	.58
Fargo cy	38	19	....
Hartford mc	55	43	....
Honolulu sy	88	74	.02
Houston sy	66	40	.36
Indianapolis r	61	35	.08
Jackson Miss. cy	55	35	.49

Jacksonville pc	81	60	....
Kansas City pc	47	30	.33
Las Vegas f	71	50	....
Little Rock pc	58	37	.55
Los Angeles f	74	54	....
Louisville sh	69	41	....
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Miami Beach pc	83	69	....
Milwaukee snsh	41	31	.66
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Nashville r	58	37	....
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New York mc	61	51	....
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Orlando pc	83	65	.03
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Providence mc	56	43	....
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San Francisco sy	66	49	....
San Juan ts	89	76	.26
Seattle sh	52	37	.02
Spokane cy	41	26	.01
Tampa pc	87	66	....
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Wichita sy	52	36	.05

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow

sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90309u0721 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
KARACHI, PAKISTAN (NOV. 5) UPI - The right-wing alliance that defeated former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto in last month's parliamentary elections formed a coalition government Monday in her stronghold of southern Sind Province.

The provincial Assembly in the Sind capital of Karachi elected Jam Sadiq Ali of the Islamic Democratic Alliance, a loose army-backed coalition of parties opposed to Bhutto, as the chief minister. Ali received 58 votes in the 107-member Assembly.

Legislators from Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party boycotted the session for the second straight day, alleging the IDA had confined a number of PPP and independent members at Ali's residence to prevent them from voting. Ali denied the charge.

The PPP won 47 seats in the Sind Assembly in the Oct. 27 provincial elections, making it the largest single party. But the IDA received the support of enough independents and smaller parties to enable it to form a coalition government in the PPP's stronghold.

The IDA won a big majority in Punjab, the country's most populous province, in the provincial polls and is set to form a coalition government in the Northwest Frontier Province and is also trying to form the provincial administration in Baluchistan in alliance with smaller parties.

The PPP had hoped to form the government in Sind so it could challenge the authority of the IDA administration in Islamabad.

The party suffered a crushing defeat to the IDA in Oct. 24 parliamentary elections. IDA leader Nawaz Sharif is expected to be elected prime minister by the National Assembly in Islamabad on Tuesday.

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#90309u0761 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW DELHI, INDIA (NOV. 5) UPI - Dissidents in Prime Minister V.P. Singh's Janata Dal party said Monday they no longer recognize the prime minister as head of the party, but Singh loyalists expressed confidence in the embattled leader.

The developments indicated a Janata Dal split, with both camps claiming a majority of party legislators.

Senior Janata Dal leader Chandra Shekhar, who with former deputy prime minister Devi Lal is behind the dissident movement, said he would ask President R. Venkataraman to allow him to form a new government.

The dissident faction claimed 68 of the 140 Janata Dal members of the lower house of Parliament attended their meeting. Lal and Shekhar claim that gives them enough support to form a government with the backing of former prime minister Rajiv Gandhi's Congress (I) Party.

Congress (I) officials said Monday they would support a Janata Dal government headed by someone other than Singh. Gandhi was to meet with Shekhar early Tuesday.

Supporters of the prime minister held a separate meeting, during which they expressed faith in Singh's leadership. A Janata Dal spokesman said the dissidents' meeting was ''illegal.''

Singh later expelled Shekhar and 29 other dissident members of Parliament from the party. Janata Dal spokesman Jaipal Reddy said the prime minister's action was done with the approval of party President S.R. Bommai.

Reddy said 83 Janata Dal legislators of the lower house of Parliament attended their meeting. Exactly how many Janata Dal party legislators attended each gathering could not be independently determined.

On Wednesday, Singh is to face a special vote of Parliament to test his majority.

The prime minister's 11-month-old five-party National Front coalition government was plunged into its worst crisis Oct. 23 when the right-wing Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party withdrew its crucial support.

The BJP made the decision hours after its president, L.K. Advani, was arrested for defying a government warning to halt a controversial campaign to relocate a 460-year-old Moslem mosque and begin construction of a temple to honor an important Hindu god.

Support of the BJP was necessary for the survival of the coalition government, although the party is not a member of the coalition.

Despite Advani's arrest, Hindu radicals pressed ahead with their plan to build the temple in the northern Uttar Pradesh state town of Ayodhya, about 345 miles southeast of New Delhi.

Violence between police and Hindu devotees resulted in Ayodhya and in other parts of India, leaving more than 170 people dead.

To protest the killings, the BJP called on its followers to enforce a general strike in New Delhi on Monday and more than 600 of them were arrested following clashes with police, the Press Trust of India news agency said.

In Ayodhaya, the Vishwa Hindu Parishad, another radical group involved in the construction drive, Sunday asked its followers to temporarily call off the campaign and instead participate in religious ceremonies to mourn those who died in clashes over the past week.

A VHP spokesman in New Delhi said a new date for beginning construction of the temple would be announced later. The ceremonies were to begin Monday and continue through Wednesday.

Hindu radicals claim that the mosque that occupies the Ayodhya site was built by the Moghul emperor Babbar after he destroyed a temple marking the birthplace of Lord Rama, one of the most important gods in the vast Hindu pantheon.

Moslem leaders refute the claim and contend that no temple ever existed at the disputed place.

The Ayodhya dispute has been smouldering since February 1986 when a court agreed to allow Hindus to worship in the mosque. The move led to widespread communal riots in northern India.

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#90309u0772 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (NOV. 5) UPI - An exiled Iranian dissident group said Monday hard-line clerics in Tehran were seeking the replacement of Ayatollah Ali Khamenei as spiritual leader of the Islamic Republic.

The Mojahedin Khalq organization, a dissident group based in Baghdad, quoted reports from inside the Iranian government as saying the hard- line clerics met privately in Tehran recently to discuss the possible replacement of Khamenei as spiritual leader.

The Assembly of Experts, a special college of clerics, elected Khamenei spiritual leader of Iran after the death last year of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, founder of the Islamic Republic.

A Mojahedin statement telexed to Athens from Paris quoted hard-liner Hojatoleslam Mohammad Khoeyniha as saying in a private meeting of radical clerics in Tehran that Khamenei needed to be replaced because ''the present leadership's direction is deviated.''

There was no indication word on how the hard-liners could have Khamenei replaced.

The hard-line clerics stepped up their attacks on Khamenei last month after he backed moves by the pragmatists, led by President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani, to keep them out of elections to the Assembly of Experts.

The assembly is an 83-member clerical body whose sole function is to choose a spiritual leader for Iran when the need arises.

The power struggle intensified after the polling, when hard-line leader Hojatoleslam Ali Akbar Mohtashami, a former interior minister, claimed in a fiery speech in the Majlis, or Parliament, that moves had begun to oust the radicals from the legislature.

Khamenei then lashed out at the hard-liners in a speech broadcast on Tehran radio, saying the Majlis had become divided between rival groups and that fredom of speech in the legislature was being abused.

Reports from Tehran, however, said Khamenei ordered the cancellation of a demonstration planned by the supporters of the pragmatic group in front of the Majlis, for fear clashes would break out between them and supporters of the hard-liners.

Majlis speaker Mehdi Karubi, a member of the hard-line group, expressed support for Khamenei in the legislature. Regional analysts said this came after Khamenei ordered an enquiry into the finances of the Martyrs' Foundation which Karubi also heads.

The Martyrs' Foundation controls scores of industries seized from supporters of the late Shah after the 1979 revolution. A brother of Karubi was recently arrested on embezzlement and corruption charges.

Sunday, Khamenei made an apparent gesture to the hard-liners by issuing a strongly-worded message attacking the United States on the 11th anniversary of the seizure of the U.S. embassy in Tehran, at the start of the 444-day hostage crisis.

Khoeyniha, who acted as the clerical mentor to the radical group who took over the embassy, was asked to read Khamenei's message at the gates of the embassy compound, where an officially sponsored march ended Sunday.

In a departure from a recent trend, Rafsanjani also attacked the United States in a speech broadcast on Tehran radio. There was no immediate word on how far the two anti-American statements succeeded in mollifying the hard-liners.

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#90309u0775 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (NOV. 5) UPI - President Bush is winding up the 1990 campaign season

trying to exact revenge on Ann Richards, the state treasurer who held him up to public ridicule at the 1988 Democratic Convention.

Bush devoted Monday to campaigning across Texas on behalf of Clayton Williams, Richards' Republican foe in Tuesday's gubernatorial election.

The president was to address rallies in Tyler, Waco and Houston, the final stops on his six-day, cross-country campaign swing for fellow Republicans in Tuesday's congressional and gubernatorial races.

The entire House, a third of the Senate and 36 gubernatorial seats will be decided, and the president would take special delight in seeing Williams, a flamboyant oilman and rancher, defeat Richards, Bush's own longtime nemesis.

Richards drew knee-slapping laughter at the Democratic National Convention in San Francisco when she described Bush, then a Republican presidential candidate, as a stumbling aristocrat.

''He can't help it. He was born with a silver foot in his mouth,'' Richards declared from the podium.

Bush, who has taken a number of swipes at Richards since, told a news conference in Orlando, Fla., last week: ''I'm strongly in favor of Clayton Williams over his opponent - not just for personal reasons, either.''

Polls show that Williams' lead of Richards, once in the double digits, has been reduced to just a few percentage points. Much of the decline can be traced to Williams sticking his foot in his mouth. Like the time he received headlines by joking that rape was like the weather because ''if it's inevitable, just relax and enjoy it.''

Since taking office two years ago, Bush has raised about $85 million for the GOP by speaking at more than 130 rallies in 40 states.

On Sunday, he focused on getting out the vote.

Speaking from a suite in the Houstonian Hotel, which he lists as his official residence, Bush placed telephone calls to Republican pep rallies in Alaska, Nebraska, Utah and Maryland.

Bush's own approval rating nationwide has plunged in recent months from more than 70 percent to only about 50 percent, but Williams figures Bush is still a big enough political force in the president's adopted homestate of Texas to be a boost for him Election Day.

On Sunday, Bush and Williams, in a made-for-television event, also sat down a GOP telephone bank in Houston and called Texans, asking them to vote Republican Tuesday.

''Hello, Martha, this is George Bush, the president ... I hope you'll vote for Claytie Williams and the rest of the Republican ticket. Can we count on you? Thanks a million!''

The initial half-dozen telephone calls Bush placed on behalf of Williams were all to registered Republicans - and all said they would vote for Williams. On a dare from reporters, Bush randomly picked a number out of the telephone book and dialed with trepidation.

''This is risky,'' the president conceded as he waited for the phone listed to Malissia Johnson to be answered.

''Ms. Johnson. You won't believe this. This is the president of the United States calling. ... I'm trying to get people out to vote. ... Needless to say I hope you'll vote for our full ticket.''

Ms. Johnson apparently answered affirmatively, and Bush exlaimed, ''Will ya!'' - drawing laughter, applause and relief from Williams and a host of campaign volunteers. ''Thank you,'' Bush said. ''I'll drop you a little note.''

But later, Johnson, reached at her home, said she thought Bush was an impostor and that she intends to vote Democratic. ''I thought it was a joke,'' Johnson explained. She also said her first name is Mary. ''Malissia was my mother-in-law. She's dead,'' the woman said.

The president made campaign visits last week to seven states - Massachusetts, Florida, Ohio, Minnesota, Iowa, California and Iowa.

Initially, the White House considered having the president visit at least 10 states, maybe more, in the final week of the 1990 campaign.

But the big drop in his approval rating, much of it traced to his handling of the budget debacle, reduced the number of Republicans interested in being seen with the him.

A year ago, with the nationwide approval rating hovering near 80 percent, the White House saw Tuesday's election as a chance to gain some seats in the Democrat-controlled Congress.

But now the administration concedes it will likely lose at least a few seats, but insists that the election won't be a referendum on the Bush presidency. However, the election will go a long way toward setting the political landscape for 1992, when Bush will be up for re-election.

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#90309u0794 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

VICENZA, ITALY (NOV. 5) UPI - A 32-year-old worker broke into the home of his estranged wife early Monday and stabbed to death the woman, her mother and sister, and his 2-year-old daughter. He then killed himself, police reported.

Police identified the killer as Marino Pivotto, described by the village mayor as a violent, hot-tempered man who had frequently threatened his wife in recent weeks.

The tragedy took place in the village of Lusiana, 18 miles north of Vicenza in northeastern Italy.

Police said Pivotto broke into his mother-in-law's house, where his wife Rosalina, 34, and their daughter Stefania, 2, were living with the wife's mother, Maddalena, 61, and sister, Ornella, 27.

Using a hunting knife with a 6-inch blade, Pivotto stabbed them all to death and then committed suicide by stabbing himself in the chest, police said.

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#90309u0814 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - President Bush is campaigning for Republican candidates in his adopted homestate of Texas today. He's stumping for gubernatorial nominee Clayton Williams. The flamboyant oilman is locked in a tight race against Bush's long-time nemesis, Ann Richards. Richards drew gales of laughter at the Democratic National Convention in San Francisco two years ago when she described then-Vice President Bush as being ''born with a silver foot in his mouth.''

The president plans to speak at rallies in Tyler, Waco and Houston today as he wraps up a six-day cross-country campaign blitz for tomorrow's elections. The entire U-S House of Representatives, one-third of the Senate and 36 governorships will be decided.

The Supreme Court meets today to hear arguments on Michigan's controversial drug sentencing law. At issue is the constitutionality of the nation's toughest drug law. It sets the penalty for anyone caught with 650 grams or more of heroin or cocaine at mandatory life in prison- without parole. That's less than a-pound and a-half of the drugs. The case involves a 45-year-old man who is serving a life sentence after being caught with 672 grams of cocaine in his car during a 1986 traffic stop. The 1978 law was aimed at drug kingpins.

News from the Persian Gulf is more war-like this morning. An unnamed Egyptian military official is quoted in Cairo as saying the United States would leapfrog right over Kuwait in the event of war and head straight into Iraq. That would cut Iraqi troops in Kuwait from their supply lines, allowing for them to be mopped up later. Saudi Arabia's Riyhad Radio says that Secretary of State Baker has returned to the kingdom from Behrain to discuss a possible

timetable to get Iraq out of Kuwait.

An exiled Iranian dissident group based in Baghdad says hard-line clerics in Tehran want to replace Ayatollah Ali Khamenei as spiritual leader of the Islamic Republic. The dissident group, the Mojahedin Khalq organization, quotes reports from inside the Iranian government as saying the hard-liners met privately in Tehran recently to discuss Khamenei's possible replacement.

Scientists near Vancouver, Washington, are waiting for more daylight so they can check for possible damages from an eruption on Mt. St. Helens early today. Commercial airline pilots reported a plume of ash at 30-thousand feet eight minutes after the volcano rumbled back to life. Scientists call it an ''explosion type signal'' similar to several last December and January.

In India, there are indications there's a split in Prime Minister V-P Singh's Janata Dal Party over the issue of who's running the party. Dissidents say they NO longer recognize the prime minister as head of the party. But Singh loyalists expressed confidence in the embattled leader. Both camps claim a majority of party legislators.

Former German Chancellor Willy Brandt is set to leave for Iraq today aboard a 260-seat Lufthansa Airbus. He's expected to stay four days and there are reports he has already received guarantees that hundreds of hostages may be allowed to fly home with him. The former Berlin mayor is honorary chairman of Germany's Socialist Democratic Party. Party officials say negotiations on the fate of hostages have reached an advanced stage.

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#90309u0839 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 5) UPI - The government has agreed to drop civil suits against a close associate of the late President Ferdinand E. Marcos in exchange for his assets in several Philippine companies, an official said Monday.

Arthur Defensor, spokesman for the Presidential Commission on Good Government, said Roberto Benedicto has agreed to give up assets totaling some $43.4 million.

Defensor said Manila in turn agreed to drop three civil suits accusing Benedicto of plundering during the 20-year rule of Marcos and to issue passports to his family cancelled after they left the Philippines following the late dictator's ouster in 1986.

Benedicto, 73, was a law school classmate of Marcos and a former ambassador to Japan. He was also appointed provincial governor, chairman of Philippine Sugar Commission and president of state-owned National Sugar Trading Corp., which monopolized the sugar industry.

Under the settlement, Benedicto will turn over holdings in two television stations, a mining firm, three sugar estates in the central Philippines, and in 39 other Philippine companies.

Defensor said the agreement, signed Saturday in Singapore, allowed Benedicto to retain holdings in the Traders Royal Bank, a hotel and properties he had inherited.

Benedicto had earlier returned about $28.3 million in deposits in the California Overseas Banks and in Swiss banks.

Also Monday, President Corazon Aquino said she has authorized the PCGG to negotiate with former First Lady Imelda Marcos for the return of some of the former first family's assets stashed in Hong Kong banks.

But Aquino said the return of Mrs. Marcos to Manila was not being discussed.

''There are negotiations going on,'' Aquino said. ''And the PCGG had asked for clearance in this regard. And I had given them authority to do so.

''This does not concern the return of Mrs. Marcos here.''

Last week, the PCGG said a deal was being hammered with Mrs. Marcos repatriating 60 percent of her assets from Hong Kong.

Aquino said Friday in a statement to reporters the deal ''concerns sums of money held under names of nominees.''

''All the wealth of President Marcos, and my life as well, I dedicate for the betterment of all Filipinos,'' Marcos was quoted to have said by the Manila Standard newspaper in the local Tagalog dialect.

''I am coming home to dedicate my life and my husband's legacy to rebuild the country and provide a better life for all Filipinos.''

Aquino also said ''the projected settlement does not entail dropping civil cases (against the Marcoses) in the Philippines, but possibly civil cases in the United States only, if the amounts are significant.''

Aquino said criminal cases are not part of the settlement.

The government has lodged some 47 civil suits in the Philippines against the Marcoses and their ''cronies'' in an effort to recover the alleged ill-gotten wealth stashed in local and foreign banks, but have avoided filing criminal suits against Imelda and her children.

Philippine law calls for presence of the accused in criminal suits.

Castro said the Philippines, saddled with a $27 billion foreign debt, has realized it would take a long time for the courts to settle government claims against the Marcoses.

In July, a New York federal district court acquitted Marcos of charges she stole more than $200 million during her husband's rule and spent the money to buy New York skyscrapers and works of art.

''I have long wanted to come home and help (in Philippine economic recovery) '' the Standard quoted Marcos. ''I feel like a tree, in full bloom, bursting to provide fruit, but uprooted and barred from being productive.''

The Marcos family and associates were alleged to have stolen upwards of $10 billion from the Philippine treasury until they were ousted in a ''people power'' uprising in 1986 and forced into Hawaiian exile, where Mr. Marcos died in September 1989.

Aquino's government has barred Mrs. Marcos from returning home, citing security reasons.

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#90309u0892 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

BALTIMORE (NOV. 5) UPI - Businessman Harry Weinberg, an elementary school dropout who made a fortune in real estate and mass transit and died Sunday of cancer, left nearly $1 billion to a foundation to help the poor, trustees say.

Weinberg, of Baltimore, died at 82 in Honolulu, Hawaii, after an eight-year battle with bone cancer.

With the exception of about $3 million left to grandchildren, the entire Weinberg estate is to be transferred to the Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation, which becomes one of the nation's 12 largest charitable organizations and the largest in Baltimore, his native city.

Trustees estimated the estate at $900 million to $1 billion but say much of it is in the form of valuable Hawaiian land and is not known.

The foundation that bears his name and that of his late wife is obligated to spend as much as $45 million a year to serve the poor, The (Baltimore) Sun reported. Foundation trustees said one-third to one-half of the money will be spent in Baltimore.

''It really is an unbelievable task,'' said Shale Stiller, lawyer for the foundation. ''It's an incredible amount of money to give away.''

The corporate charter allocates 25 percent of each year's expenses to

charities benefitting the predominantly Jewish and needy, another 25 percent to charities whose beneficiaries are predominantly gentile and needy.

The remaining 50 percent is to be given to charities that benefit the needy regardless of religion, color or creed.

Weinberg, the son of immigrant parents, quit school at 12, worked in his father's auto shop, sold newspapers on the side and eventually parlayed a series of successful business deals into enormous wealth.

In 1948 Weinberg bought bonds in Baltimore Transit Co. at bargain prices and sold them later for what was described as ''an enormous'' profit, The Sun said. It was the first of many transit company purchases in the late 1940s and erly 1950s that eventually included lines in Scranton, Pa., Dallas, New York and Honolulu.

''He was someone who brought himself up from nothing,'' said his younger brother, William Weinberg, who is to serve as a foundation trustee. ''And I believe that if all the money in the world were suddenly taken away and everyone had to start over again, he'd still end up with (his) money.''

Weinberg was criticized because some of his real estate holdings, including large tracts in downtown Baltimore and several area shopping centers, were largely untended or unimproved.

He had lived in Hawaii since 1968 and was Baltimore's invisible billionaire.

Weinberg is survived by his son, Morton, of Seal Beach, Calif.; three brothers William, David and Nathan Weinberg, all of Pikesville, Md.; a sister, Betty Fine of Baltimore; four grandchildren, and one great- grandchild. His wife of 57 years, Jeanette, died in 1989.

Private services will be held Wednesday, with burial at the Hebrew Friendship Cemetery in East Baltimore.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $377.00 silver base of $4.18 and platinum price of $418.00:

	Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$392.60	395.50
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	201.40	202.90
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	103.50	104.20

U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.70	43.10
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	392.60	395.50
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	201.40	202.90
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	104.00	104.70
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.70	43.10
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	398.90	401.80
China Panda .50 troy oz.	205.50	207.00
China Panda .25 troy oz.	106.60	107.40
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.00	46.40
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.50	27.10
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	392.70	395.60
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	200.70	202.10
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	101.40	102.10
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.70	44.00
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	391.20	394.10
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	202.50	204.00
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	104.00	104.70
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.20	44.60
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	391.20	393.90
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	201.00	202.50
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.00	86.90
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.70	45.00
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.80	24.00
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.59	$5.64
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,190	$3,220
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,375
Platinum		
Australian Koala	433.00	440.00
Isle of Man Noble	430.00	437.00
Canada Maple Leaf	441.00	448.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90309u0902 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

GREENBELT, MD (NOV. 5) UPI - The Hubble Space Telescope has made its first observation of the chemical makeup of a faint object - a distant quasar that may provide clues about the early universe, NASA officials reported Sunday.

Using the telescope's Faint Object Spectrograph, astronomers from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore and the University of California-San Diego observed the spectrum of a faint quasar, called UM675, about 12 billion light years from Earth. A light year is the distance light, which moves at a speed of 186,000 miles per second, travels in one year - about 6 trillion miles.

Quasars are the brightest objects in the universe, pouring out energy that seems too intense to be produced from something so compact. Although quasars were first discoverd in 1963, scientists still understand little about how they work.

E. Margaret Burbidge, the University of California-San Diego astronomer who led the team, said one of the goals of the eight-hour observation was to look for the spectral ''signature'' of helium in the far ultraviolet.

The strength of that helium signature should tell scientists about helium abundance in the early universe, Burbidge said.

''We've waited a long time. Of course, the scientific results of the observations will only be known after intensive data analysis,'' Burbidge said.

Helium is the second most abundant element in the universe, but scientists say the amount of the gas still appears too great to be made by stars' nuclear fusion, which transforms hydrogen to helium. Consequently, it has been theorized that most of the helium was made in the ''big bang'' explosion that astronomers think created the universe about 15 billion years ago.

The part of a quasar's radiation that includes the main spectral lines produced by helium cannot be picked up by ground-based telescope.

But Hubble can make such observations because it operates above Earth's atmospheric ozone, which blocks out the ultraviolet radiation that contains the helium signatures.

Although the Hubble telescope capabilities have been limited by a defect in one of its mirrors, the instrument can still conduct a variety of research such as spectral observations until the flaw is repaired, probably in 1993.

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#90309u0905 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand a ruling that a consumer ordering obscene material through the mail can be prosecuted under a 1958 federal statute.

The court refused to review a decision of the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which upheld the conviction of Alfred Kuennen, a Missouri man

sentenced to 3 1/2 years in prison for causing ''to be delivered by mail'' an obscene magazine from Denmark.

Kuennen contended he was a ''victim'' of pornography, not a criminal, and that the portion of the federal regulation used to convict him applies only to those sending obscene materials through the mail - not those receiving the material.

The federal government agreed that while the 1958 act indicates recipients of obscene materials were among those the act was enacted to protect, ''the history does not manifest an intention to immunize persons who knowingly induce the use of the mails to transmit such materials.''

The government also said the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals had used the ''causes to be delivered by mail'' portion of the statute to justify a similar conviction while the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals used a different part of the law to uphold the conviction of a pornography recipient.

The government said the only case supporting Kuennen was a 25-year- old district court decision. The Supreme Court had never ruled on the particular issue.

The act specifies that those who ''take such things from the mails'' can be prosecuted if they did so ''for the purpose of circulating or disposing thereof.''

Kuennen claims that portion of the act also did not apply because he never intended to circulate the magazine, which contained pictures of sexual activities involving young boys.

The magazine arrived in Chicago in June 1984.

The Customs Service inspected the package and then plotted with the Postal Service to capture Kuennen. It was sent to his post office box in St. Louis, and he picked it up on March 20, 1985.

Kuennen was arrested on the spot and admitted to a Customs agent he had ordered the magazine. A search of his home disclosed additional pornographic material.

He was convicted and the appeals court affirmed, rejecting his contention that prosecution should have been barred because Customs agents made a controlled delivery of the package nine months after it arrived in the United States.

Kuennen claimed if his conviction was allowed to stand by the high court, ''millions'' of people receiving obscene magazines through the mail could become liable for prosecution.

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#90309u0913 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
JAKARTA, INDONESIA (NOV. 5) UPI - President Suharto leaves Sunday on an 11-day swing through three Asian nations, visiting Japan, China and Vietnam, it was announced Monday.

Suharto will first stop Sunday in Tokyo to attend the coronation of Emperor Akihito, remaining until Nov. 14. He then travels to China from Nov. 14-19, and visits Vietnam Nov. 19-21, State Secretary Murdiono said.

The main purpose of Suharto's trip is to attend the coronation of Akihito, Murdiono added.

He said during the four days in Tokyo, Suharto would also have meetings with other world leaders attending the coronation, including Vice President Dan Quayle.

Suharto will become the first Indonesian head of state to visit China in nearly three decades. Sukarno, Indonesia's first leader, visited in the early 1960s.

After visiting China, Suharto will proceed to Vietnam. It will be the his first visit to Vietnam during his 25 year as president.

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#90309u0918 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
HOUSTON (NOV. 5) UPI - U.S. drilling activity increased by 37 rotary rigs last week but offshore drilling in the Gulf of Mexico dropped by two rigs compared with the previous week, energy surveys showed Monday.

Baker Hughes reported the number of rotary rigs under contract nationwide climbed from 1,107 rigs on Oct. 29 to 1,144 Saturday compared with 1,042 rigs for the same time one year ago.

The Offshore Data Services reported 142 rigs were working in the Gulf of Mexico last week compared with 144 the previous week and 162 for the same time one year ago.

The offshore utilization rate in the Gulf was 66.7 percent, down from 75 percent a year earlier. Offshore drilling activity in Europe declined to its lowest level since early July, said Tom Marsh, Offshore Data Services drilling editor.

The European offshore rig utilization stood at 92 percent with 126 of the 137

mobile offshore drilling rigs in the North Sea, Mediterranean Sea and other European waters working. That is a decrease of two rigs since last week.

Baker Hughes reported rotary drilling activity was up in Texas with 398 rigs working compared with 375 rigs the previous week and 322 for the same time last year.

Other rig counts included: Oklahoma, 143, 141 and 130; Louisiana, 156, 156, and 153; Canada, 147, 143 and 175.

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#90309u0937 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - More than four years after the death of University of Maryland basketball star Len Bias, the Supreme Court Monday let stand a ruling that his family is not entitled to any of the millions of dollars he was on the brink of making before his cocaine- induced death.

The court refused to review a decision of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, which held the basketball player's agent was not liable for failing to obtain a $1 million life insurance policy or a lucrative shoe endorsement contract before Bias died.

Bias died June 19, 1986, of cocaine intoxication after an all-night party at his College Park dormitory. He was celebrating his selection by the Boston Celtics as the second player overall in the National Basketball Association draft two days earlier.

As a top NBA pick, the two-time Atlantic Coast Conference Player of the Year was expected to sign a multimillion dollar contract. Bias's father, James Bias contends his son also agreed to an endorsement contract with Reebok shoes June 18, the day before he died, but that his agent failed to sign the contract as had been agreed upon.

James Bias claims Advantage International Inc., and agent Lee Fentress lied, telling the Bias family they had obtained a $1 million life insurance policy for the ball player when in fact they had secured a $1 million ''disability'' policy.

A court later ruled the disability policy did not cover a ''drug related'' death, and the Biases got nothing.

Bias's parents argued they would have obtained their own life insurance policy for their son had they known Advantage and Fentress failed to carry out their instructions.

Advantage, which began representing Bias nine weeks before his death, argued that even if it had obtained a life insurance policy for Bias, no policy would

have covered a self-induced death caused by the ingestion of illegal drugs, especially when coupled with testimony from two of Bias's teammates that he used cocaine in the past.

James Bias claims the testimony of his son's teammates, Terry Long and David Gregg, that Bias used cocaine on various occasions was suspect and that there was no credible evidence Bias used cocaine prior to the morning of his death.

Advantage argued it had no realistic chance to finalize a contract with Reebok shoes on June 18, and the lower courts agreed.

90-439 James Bias vs. Advantage International, Inc., et al.

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#90309u0941 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 5) UPI - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher met senior members of her Conservative Party Monday, apparently to discuss strategy to deal with a possible challenge to her leadership over mounting disagreement toward her stance on Europe.

The meeting came after Michael Hesseltine, a former defense secretary, directly confronted the prime minister, declaring her policy conflicted with the collective wisdom of her Cabinet.

His challenge came after the Thursday resignation of deputy prime minister Sir Geoffrey Howe, who quit to mark his dissatisfaction with Thatcher's opposition to certain moves toward economic and political union by the other 11 nations of the European Community.

Senior ministers say there is no deep division within the ruling party, but junior legislators, who are most threatened by the party's low opinion poll standing in the runup to elections that must be held before mid-1992, predict Thatcher will be confronted with a leadership challenge.

Conservative Party Chairman Kenneth Baker and Vice Chairman David Trippier spent 45 minutes with Thatcher in her Downing Street office for a routine meeting.

Neither official would comment on the discussions, but the BBC said the meeting ''will have been dominated by the threat of a leadership challenge, and how to see it off.''

Thatcher counterattacked after Howe's resignation, reshuffling her Cabinet Friday to appoint new ministers to the health and education sectors, areas in which it has been criticized by the main opposition Labor Party.

But Hesseltine reignited the debate, declaring in a letter released before his

Saturday departure to the Middle East, that the party was suffering a crisis of confidence that must be repaired or it would be consigned to the political wilderness for the next decade.

John Mc Gregor, who was assigned to take Howe's other key position of leader of the Conservatives in the lower house of Parliament, said Hesseltine's statements were not good for the party.

''In so far as it has caused a flurry of newspaper headlines, clearly that does not help in the short term because the country expects the party to beunited,'' he told the BBC. ''If there appears to be a lack of unity, it does not help us in the short term.''

Political observers will be closely watching a by-election to be held Thursday in the central city of Bradford to see if there has been any deep desertion by voters. The Conservatives were unexpectedly routed last month in another by-election in district of Eastbourne.

Elsewhere, Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd endorsed Thatcher's policy on Europe at a meeting of the Confederation of British Industries.

''Europe is a continuing debate,'' he said. ''As far as the policy of the government is concerned ... we have a united view.''

Thatcher believes the European Community has not thought through its unification strategy, and is asking member nations to yield too many sovereign powers. She alone has refused to endorse a plan to create a united European currency by the year 2000, and many British businessmen fear the nation may be excluded from the benefits and expected prosperity of the united market.

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#90309u0949 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 5) UPI - The head of the Asian Development Bank expressed concern Monday that the Middle East crisis has shown the ''fragility of the world economy.''

In a speech at the opening of a five-day conference to discuss the world economic outlook, ADB President Kimimasa Tarumizu said developments in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union early this year renewed hopes for an era of peace and vitality in world economy.

But ''recent events in the Middle East remind us of the fragility of the world economy and have cast dark clouds over the short and medium- term prospects for the world economy in general, and developing countries in particular,'' Tarumizu said.

''After a long period of sustained economic growth,'' Tarumizu said, ''the

world economy appears to be teetering on the edge of a recession.''

Tarumizu said the Asia-Pacific region in particular has been severely affected by the ''uncertainties,'' despite a rapid pace of economic progress made in the last two decades.

He said many Asian developing countries have lost abruptly substantial amounts of remittance incomes from labor exports in the Middle East and were reeling from high oil import bills.

ADB was hosting the meeting attended by leading economic analysts, forecasters and policymakers from 50 countries and major international organizations.

Among the speakers in the conference was Nobel laureate professor Lawrence Klein of the University of Pennsylvania. ADB said Klein has been the ''driving force'' behind Project Link, one of the major research and forecasting projects in economics.

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#90309u0953 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (NOV. 5) UPI - The wave of Albanian dissidents fleeing to Greece continued with another 28 crossing the border at three different points during the past two days, seeking political asylum, officials said Monday.

The latest arrivals brought to 52 the total number of Albanian refugees who crossed into Greece since Thursday, but two died after making the journey.

Police said 28 dissidents, who included five ethnic Greeks, crossed the Albanian border near the Greek villages of Filiates, Thesprotia and Pogoni, all close to Ioannina, some 180 miles northwest of Athens.

No immediate details of the new arrivals were released, but officials said their requests for political asylum were being considered.

Earlier, 24 Albanians crossed the border into Greece on Thursday and Friday, at three points near Ioanina and Florina, some 215 miles northwest of Athens. They included several soldiers, who handed over their weapons to the Greek police.

Police said two of the dissidents, identified as Michael Skevis and Filippos Boros, died after crossing the border.

No bullet wounds were found on Skevis's body, and police believed he died of exhaustion. Boros's body was sent for a postmortem examination to determine the cause of his death.

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#90309u0978 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
LUSAKA, ZAMBIA (NOV. 5) UPI - More than 2,000 miners at one of the world's largest copper mines on a wildcat strike refused union appeals Monday to end the walkout, the government newspaper reported.

The report in the Daily Mail said mining operations at the Nchanga mine of the Zambia Consolidated Copper Mines (ZCCM) came to a standstill Sunday when hundreds of workers joined a walkout that began Saturday by some 400 engineering department employees.

Mineworkers Union of Zambia General Secretary Koshita Shengomo declined Monday to discuss details of the strike, saying only that union officials were traveling to the mine in Chingola to assess the situation.

The newspaper reported the workers had ignored union appeals to return to work.

The walkout was alleged to have started over conflicting reports on anticipated wage increases. Both underground and open pit workers are demanding 200 percent increases with immediate effect.

The mine is one the largest open pit mines in the world.

Zambia derives more than 95 percent of its foreign exchange earnings from copper sales. ZCCM is the country's largest employer with about 50, 000 workers.

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#90309u0984 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
VANCOUVER, WA (NOV. 5) UPI - Mount St. Helens rumbled to life unexpectedly early Monday, shaking violently and shooting ash 30,000 feet skyward in what scientists called a minor eruption.

Clouds and darkness obscuring the volcano in southwest Washington raised concerns during the night that the mountain was unleashing another major blast of the type that killed 59 people on May 18, 1980.

Warnings were issued, but officials quickly determined that only a relatively mild ''event'' had occurred, lightly dusting nearby areas with ash and leaving the volcano's crater and lava dome intact.

''It was a small explosion from the dome,'' said Steve Brantley of the U.S. Geological Survey. ''In comparison with the eruptive activity of the past 10 years, it was relatively minor.''

The eruption, he said, ''does not represent a precursor to stronger eruptive activity.''

Needles on seismographs connected to monitoring stations on and all around the 8,365-foot peak began swinging back and forth without warning at 2:07 a.m., seismologists reported. Brantley said the eruption appeared to have begun about two minutes later.

By 2:15, the Federal Aviation Administration said commercial pilots began reporting an ash plume pushing through clouds to an altitude of 30,000 feet.

Scientists could not directly observe the eruption because of the darkness and cloud cover, but said it was comparable to a minor eruption that occurred last winter.

''This morning's event does appear to be similar to several periods of sustained earthquake activity that we have observed during the past 10 months '' Brantley said, adding, ''This morning's event is the largest in the past 10 months.''

Chris Trisler, a spokeswoman at the University of Washington Geophysics Lab in Seattle, said the blast may have destroyed two seismic monitoring stations on the north side of the lava dome - a mound of hardened magma pushing up inside Mount St. Helens' gaping crater, representing the birth of a new summit for the once cone-shaped peak.

However, Trisler noted that a seismic monitor atop the dome was still intact - a clear sign that a major eruption had not occurred.

''The seismic site at the top of the lava dome has continued to transmit, so the top of the lava dome seems fine,'' she said. ''The two stations that were lost were north of the dome.

''What could have happened is they may have been caught in some kind of sideways blast out of the north side of the dome'' or a small mudflow or rockfall could have taken them out, she said.

Brantley said that, weather permitting, crews would be sent up in helicopters to observe the volcano. However, he said, ''the weather does not look very good.''

Trisler said the seismic readings were definitely an ''explosive type signal'' and lasted about 45 minutes before returning to normal ''background'' levels, but were not marked by the frantic needle ''clicking'' of more violent volcanic eruptions.

Monday's event occurred without warning, Trisler said.

The National Weather Service issued a flash flood watch effective until 8 a.m. for people along the north fork Toutle River in Lewis, Cowlitz and Skamania

counties, which have been deluged by past eruptions.

The weather service also warned people living to the southeast in Klickitat, Yakima and Benton counties to be aware of the possiblility of ash fallout.

However, no mudflows or ashfall materialized of the type that occurred on May 18, 1980, when the volcano blew off a cubic mile of its summit, destroyed 250 square miles of forestland, darkened skies as much as 200 miles away, buried much of eastern Washington in up to a foot of ash and sent volcanic dust circling the globe.

Mark Stewart of the state Department of Emergency Services said the state activated its state emergency operations center and alerted all counties in southwest Washington. But Stewart said only a light dusting of ash was reported south of the mountain in Skamania and Klickitat counties.

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#90309u0989 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand a decision that the constitutional right of public and media access to court proceedings does not extend to juvenile court cases where publicity could harm an innocent child.

The court refused to review a ruling by the Ohio Supreme Court that there exists ''no qualified right of public access to juvenile court proceedings to determine if a child is abused, neglected or dependent, or to determine custody of a minor child.''

The court's refusal to hear the case sets no precedent, meaning it could take up the issue at another time if it causes problems in the lower courts.

The case in question stems from a bizarre Ohio child custody battle involving a surrogate mother and a divorcing husband and wife who paid $10,000 for the surrogacy contract.

The case eventually ended with the husband getting custody and his ex-wife shooting him to death, but only after the Ohio courts had barred the media from proceedings out of fear the spotlight - which had led to publicity ranging from a story in The New York Times to a segment on the television program ''A Current Affair'' - would cause emotional damage to the young girl at the center of the controversy.

Owners of The Columbus Dispatch newspaper asked the high court to review the decision of the Ohio Supreme Court allowing juvenile court in Franklin County, Ohio, to bar the media and the public from the child custody hearings and impose a gag rule on parties involved to keep them from speaking out publicly about the case.

The case began in May 1987, when Richard and Beverly Reams filed separate divorce petitions, both seeking to retain custody of Tessa, born in 1985 to Norma Lee Stotski, who at the time was working for a ''surrogate mother service.''

The Reamses had never formally adopted Tessa - who was not a blood relative - and Stotski joined the three-way custody battle.

In December 1988, after the couple's divorce had been finalized, a Franklin County Probate Court judge considering separate adoption petitions ordered Richard Reams and Beverly Reams - then known as Beverly Seymour - each to post a $3,000 bond. The judge also encouraged Richard Reams to give up his efforts to obtain the child so she could be adopted by a wealthy East Coast couple.

Seymour, claiming she could not afford the $3,000 bond, went public in a two-page news release distributed to news agencies.

The story was picked up nationwide.

A court-appointed guardian then asked for a gag order on the parties involved. To that point the proceedings had been open to the public and media.

Franklin County Judge Ronald Solove held a hearing and levied a gag order, writing that ''so long as there is a scintilla of possibility of harm to the child, this court will restrict the rights of adults involved.''

Solove then closed the judicial proceedings to the public and the media.

The Dispatch sued, arguing the gag and closure rules violated the First Amendment.

The Ohio Court of Appeals agreed, barring enforcement of the gag rule or court closure orders, and holding there is a presumption of openness for juvenile courts as well as adult courts.

The Ohio Supreme Court then reversed.

The custody hearings continued behind closed doors on Aug. 14, 1990, when Richard Reams was granted custody of Tessa.

However, when he went to Seymour's home to take the child, Seymour shot him to death. She reportedly told the county sheriff she shot Reams in part because she ''felt she had not been given a fair opportunity by the courts.''

Solove then opened the record of the Aug. 14 custody action to the press, at the urging of the Dispatch.

In arguing that the case not be reviewed, attorneys for Judge Solove said juvenile court proceedings have not historically been bound by the same First Amendment public access rights that pertain to adult criminal proceedings, and thus the power of judges to limit access to protect children should not be diminished.

90-431 State, ex rel. The Dispatch Printing Co. vs. The Honorable Ronald L. Solove, et al.

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#90309u1005 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

GENEVA (NOV. 5) UPI - The European Community must make a flexible offer on agriculture by mid-November to save the Uruguay Round world trade liberalization talks, Cairns Group members said Monday.

Trade ministers from the 14-nation group charged EC failure to present a proposal on farm trade shows "total disregard" for Uruguay Round objectives agreed when negotiations began in 1986 among members of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. They said the EC would also be responsible for "an unleashing of protectionist forces" if the talks collapse over the agriculture issue.

The talks set a goal of an average one-third cut in barriers to trade in all areas from manufactures to agricultural products, services such as banking and insurance, textiles, and intellectual property such as patents.

The United States and the Cairns Group countries led by Australia, Argentina and Canada have repeatedly rejected any package excluding farm trade at a final ministerial conference in Brussels scheduled for Dec. 3-7.

"European Community failure to show flexibility has placed the entire Uruguay Round in jeopardy," Cairns Group trade ministers said after an emergency meeting among themselves. Lack of a "flexible" EC proposal on agriculture has blocked all other areas of the negotiations, a statement said.

"Unless significant progress is achieved by mid-November, all participants would need to assess the implications for the further conduct of the Round," the Cairns Group statement said.

EC farm subsidies proposals being discussed in Brussels, the statement said, would be "inadequate" and would have to be improved if presented at the talks in Geneva.

"It is simply unrealistic for the Community to expect progress to be made elsewhere while it continued to stall on agriculture," it said. "If the Round fails, it is the EC which must shoulder the blame," the Cairns Group said. The Cairns Group is named after the Australian resort where the member states

first met. The group accounts for one-third of world farm exports.

"There is little doubt that failure of this Round will see an unleashing of protectionist forces," the statement warned. "Any wrong signal from the Round at this time would have unforseeable negative effects on each and every country's economic activity."

Neal Blewett, Australian minister for trade negotiations and chairman of the group, told a news conference "a whole range of options" existed in the absence of a flexible EC offer on agriculture. Blewett said those included a delay in the scheduled concluding meeting in Brussels, and having "further negotiations down the line."

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 79.00-81.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 121.63-123.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 40.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $210.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$107.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $435.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $436.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 295.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen c	1pm	46	07
Amsterdam pc	1pm	48	09
Ankara cy	3pm	71	21
Athens cy	2pm	76	24
Auckland c	12m	59	15
Beijing cy	8pm	50	10
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	42	06
Bonn cy	1pm	43	06
Brussels c	1pm	39	03
Cairo c	2pm	84	28
Casablanca pc	12n	68	20
Copenhagen c	1pm	42	05
Dakar c	12n	84	29
Dublin cy	1pm	46	08
Geneva cy	1pm	45	07
Helsinki pc	2pm	38	03
Hong Kong cy	8pm	73	23
Jerusalem c	2pm	76	24
Karachi c	5pm	89	32
Lisbon c	1pm	57	13
London c	1pm	49	09
Madrid cy	1pm	51	11
Malta pc	1pm	70	21
Manila pc	8pm	84	29
Moscow cy	3pm	42	05
Nairobi cy	3pm	76	24
Nassau pc	7am	77	25
New Delhi c	6pm	85	29
Nice c	1pm	61	16
Oslo c	1pm	44	07
Paris cy	1pm	47	08
Pretoria c	2pm	86	30

Riyadh	3pm	86	30
Rome c	1pm	62	16
Seoul c	9pm	55	12
Sofia r	2pm	45	07
Stockholm pc	1pm	40	04
Sydney pc	10pm	67	19
Taipei pc	8pm	74	23
Tokyo c	9pm	67	19
Tunis pc	1pm	69	20
Vienna cy	1pm	47	08
Warsaw cy	1pm	43	06

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	59	15
Caracas cy	8am	72	22
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	62	17
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	84	29
Santiago c	8am	54	12

Canada

Calgary s		43	05
Edmonton pc		35	01
Montreal cy		62	16
Ottawa cy		58	14
Regina cy		44	06
Toronto r		57	14
Vancouver pc		51	10
Winnipeg cy		32	00

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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GREENWOOD, Miss. (NOV. 5) UPI - A man wanted for stabbing four of his young nieces and nephews to death after his sister refused to give him money to buy crack cocaine surrendered to police Monday.

Henry Curtis Jackson Jr., 26, of Eupora, Miss., walked into the West Point, Miss., Police Department about 7:45 a.m. and gave himself up. Police were releasing no other details about his condition or what caused him to surrender.

''He surrendered and is in custody. That's about all I can say,'' a West Point police dispatcher said.

Deputies and Mississippi Highway Patrol officers had pursued Jackson through the Mississippi countryside since Thursday night, when he allegedly crashed through a bedroom door at his mother's home and stabbed to death the four children, all his nieces or nephews and between the ages of 2 and 5.

Neighbors in the Rising Sun subdivision just south of Greenwood, said the stabbings occurred after Jackson's sister refused to give her brother money for drugs. His mother, Martha Jackson, was at a church service when the incident occurred, a Leflore County deputy said.

Two other nieces and his sister, 23-year-old Regina Fay Jackson, were wounded before Curtis Jackson fled in a car loaned to him by his mother, Martha Jackson, authorities said.

Leflore County Coroner James Hankins said he found the victims on the floor and ''all had been stabbed in the neck with a sharp instrument.''

Webster County Sheriff Bill Middleton said Curtis Jackson will be charged with four counts of murder and three counts of attempted murder.

Tricia Chick, spokeswoman at Greenwood Leflore Hospital, said Regina Jackson was in stable condition and had been moved to a room from the hospital's intensive care unit to recover from multiple stab wounds.

Sarah Denise Jackson, 11, was listed in serious but stable condition with stab wounds.

Andrea Alice Jackson, 1, was first treated at the hospital in Greenwood, then transferred to the University Medical Center in Jackson. Barbara Austin, a spokeswoman at the Medical Center, said the child was in critical but stable condition after surgery Friday.

Hankins identified the victims as Andrew Jackson, 2, Antonio Jackson, 3, Shumetricia Jackson, 2, and Dominique Jackson, 5.

Authorities said Curtis Jackson was the uncle of all of the children. Four of the children - Andrew, Antonio, Sarah Denise and Andrea Alice - belonged to his sister, Glenda Jackson of Louisiana. The other two children - Shumetricia and Dominique - were daughters of Regina Jackson.

All the children and Regina Jackson lived with their grandmother, relatives

said.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Allen Organ cl B	Q	.10	12-7	11-23
Amax Gold Inc	Q	.02	11-30	11-15
Arnold Indust	Q	.25	12-3	11-16
Artesian Res cl A	Q	.22	11-15	11-7
Frontier Adjusters	Q	.01	12-10	11-20
GWC Corp	Q	.36	12-1	11-16
Haverty Furn cl A	Q	.09	11-23	11-12
Manor Care Inc	Q	.033	11-27	11-15
Middleby Corp	Q	.02	12-15	11-20
Morrison-Knudsen	Q	.37	1-2	11-14
Olsten Corp	Q	.06	12-1	11-15
Preston Corp	Q	.12 1/2	1-31	12-31
Synalloy Corp	Q	.10	12-3	11-15

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-annual

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(NOV. 5) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Altus Bank (3rd Q)	
....	....
d-$3,516,000	d-$4,094,000
d-Deficit.	
Amer Pacific (4th Q 9-30)	
$15,317,000	$10,988,000
$1,819,000 (.37)	$1,353,000 (.27)
Atlanta Gas Light (4th Q 9-30)	
$133,148,000	$127,840,000
d-$9,832,000	d-$215,000
d-Deficit.	
Berkley W R (3rd Q)	

$138,436,000 $135,556,000
a-$1,447,000 (.12) $12,072,000 (1.03)
a-Reflects a special charge of $10,560,000 on after-tax basis from arbitration proceeding involving a subsidiary and several of its former reinsurers. Also reflects estimated tax benefits from the tax reform act of 1986 of $255,000.

Canadian Utilities (9 Mos 9-30)
$835,136,000 $850,155,000
$96,646,000 (1.09) $106,590,000 (1.26)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Consol Natural Gas (3rd Q 9-30)
$356,122,000 $316,246,000
d-$22,247,000 d-$19,568,000
d-Deficit.

Dartmouth Bancorp (3rd Q)
....
d-$21,669,000 d-$8,361,000
d-Deficit.

DQE Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$304,839,000 $301,055,000
$38,195,000 (.71) $36,326,000 (.66)

Fischer & Porter (3rd Q)
$62,570,000 $58,703,000
d-$1,940,000 $1,425,000 (.26)
d-Deficit.

Furr's-Bishop Cafeterias (3rd Q 9-29)
$71,766,000 $74,251,000
$2,534,000 (.14) $4,213,000 (.25)

Health Equity Prop (3rd Q)
....
d-$1,884,000 d-$541,000
d-Deficit.

Huntway Partners L P (3rd Q)
$35,714,000 $23,531,000
d-$3,578,000 d-$1,025,000
d-Deficit.

Landmark Bank for Savings (3rd Q)
....
d-$2,857,000 $250,000 (.19)

d-Deficit.

Lewis GaLoob Toys (3rd Q)
$43,847,000 $76,037,000
d-$4,697,000 $7,293,000 (.75)
d-Deficit.

Mor-Flo Indus (3rd Q)
$50,414,000 $46,742,000
$207,000 (.08) d-$6,835,000
d-Deificit, after a net charge reflecting an increase in the provision for a patent infringement damage award against the company. The net charge was $3,889,000.

Natl Sea Prod (3rd Q)
$133,019,000 $137,011,000
d-$3,696,000 d-$12,349,000
d-Deficirt.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Nevada Power Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$169,748,000 $146,224,000
$31,996,000 (1.09) $30,954,000 (1.13)

Nortek Inc (3rd Q 9-29)
$263,200,000 $272,153,000
d-$2,700,000 d-$8,300,000
d-Deficit.

NWNL Cos (3rd Q 9-30)
$330,869,000 $341,806,000
$12,094,000 (.97) $14,156,000 (1.10)

Pan Am Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,154,000,000 $1,020,000,000
d-$29,100,000 $458,000
d-Deficit.

Quebec-Telephone (9 Mos 9-30)
$166,100,000 $157,900,000
$17,400,000 (1.04) $16,100,000 (.99)

Royal LePage (3rd Q)
$111,859,000 $157,354,000
d-$1,151,000 $7,340,000 (.54)
d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Silcorp Ltd (9 Mos 9-9)
$546,857,000 $579,644,000
d-$3,280,000 d-$1,218,000
d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Standard Motor Prod (3rd Q)
$133,043,000 $110,245,000
$2,547,000 (.20) $3,950,000 (.30)

Weldwood of Canada (3rd Q)
$167,500,000 $208,900,000
$1,000,000 (.03) $23,400,000 (.64)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

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#90309u1113 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - Secretary of State Baker inspected U-S troops and international forces in eastern Saudi Arabia yesterday. Today, he met with Kuwait's exiled ruler who said he wants fast military action to free his occupied country from its Iraqi invaders. More war-like messages come from an unnamed Egyptian military official in a weekly newspaper run by Egypt's ruling National Democratic Party. The official says U-S- led forces could launch 15-hundred to two-thousand air strikes against Iraq within the first 72 hours of hostilities.

President Bush is out to get some political revenge. Bush is campaigning in three Texas cities today to drum up support for Republican gubernatorial candidate Clayton Williams. Williams' opponent in tomorrow's election is Ann Richards, the state treasurer who held then-Vice President Bush up to public ridicule at the 1988 Democratic Convention. Bush is to address G-O-P rallies in Tyler, Waco and Houston.

Anyone ordering obscene materials through the mails can expect to be fully prosecuted after a Supreme Court ruling today upholding provisions of a 1958 federal statute. The nation's high court upheld the conviction of a Missouri man who ordered pornographic material from Denmark. The defendant had maintained the federal regulation applies only to those sending obscene material through the mail, NOT those receiving it.

The justices also upheld earlier rulings and tradition that the news media has NO rights when it comes to poking around in juvenile court cases where the publicity could harm an innocent child. The case involved efforts by the Columbus, Ohio, Dispatch newspaper when it tried to use First Amendment arguments to overturn a juvenile court gag ruling in a child custody case. A local court then ruled it had the right to impose such rules and the Ohio Supreme Court backed up that decision.

For the first time since 1985, the government has revised its Dietary Guidelines that give consumers suggestions on healthy eating. And it has run into immediate criticism from the Center for Science in the Public Interest. It says the overall revisions only weaken the guidelines, pushing them further behind dietary advice given by health authorities. The center claims the revisions are designed NOT to offend anyone in the meat, poultry or dairy industries.

Mississippi authorities say a man wanted in the stabbing deaths of four of his young nieces and nephews surrendered to police this morning. Police say 26-year-old Henry Jackson Junior walked into the West Point police department and gave himself up. Jackson had been pursued by authorities throughout the Mississippi countryside since Thursday night, when he allegedly stabbed the four children after his sister refused to give him money to buy crack cocaine.

A Pacific storm system socked the western mountains and the central part of the nation with wintry weather today. The storm dumped up to eight inches of snow on the peaks of Wyoming and up to three inches in Kansas City, Missouri. Snow coupled with cold temperatures made roads slick and driving dangerous. Elsewhere, cool, wet weather stretched across much of the Midwest and East.

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#90309u1116 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NICOSIA, Cyprus (NOV. 5) UPI - Soaring crude prices caused by the Persian Gulf crisis are expected to cut demand for OPEC oil about 1.7 million barrels dailyduring the first half of next year, an oil industry newsletter said Monday.

The Nicosia-based Middle East Economic Survey said demand for the more expensive crude, especially in North Africa and Europe, would fall 2.3 percent - or 800,000 million barrels a day - during the first half of 1991.

This would be offset to some extent by a 400,000 barrel-a-day gain in other regions.

But the overall downward revision in demand for Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries oil due to higher prices and lower economic growth was forecast at ''1.7 million barrels a day less in the first half of 1991 than in the (pre-Gulf crisis) estimates (of 21.5 million barrels a day as against pre-crisis demand of 23.25 million barrels a day,)'' MEES reported.

Saudi Arabia's Oil Minister Hisham Nazer also was reported in an interview published in Sunday's New York Times as saying Saudi production was now running at 8.2 million barrels a day and was expected to rise to 8.5 million barrels daily by early next year.

This would be almost 3 million barrels higher than the Saudi 5.6 million-barrel-a-day output prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and would largely make up for the 4.2 million barrels lost daily to world markets by the U.N. embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude.

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#90309u1125 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Corporate profits increased slightly in the third quarter, but the gain was partly due to poor results in the year-ago period and higher oil prices this year, The Wall Street Journal reported Monday.

A survey of 633 major companies found net income rose 4 percent in the July-September period, compared with an 11-percent drop in the second quarter, the Journal said. After-tax earnings on continuing operations increased 5 percent.

The newspaper said results for the latest period were helped by $5 billion of losses posted by major banks in the 1989 third quarter, mainly because of additions to loan-loss reserves to cover troubled loans to developing countries.

Earnings in the 1990 period also benefited from the rise in crude oil prices resulting from the Mideast crisis, which lifted inventory profits at the oil companies.

These positive factors, however, were largely offset by a record $2.1 billion write-off by General Motors Corp. to cover closings of at least seven assembly plants, the Journal said.

''Corporate profits have weakened over the last year under the pressure of slow volume growth, labor and interest cost advances, and competitive restraints on prices,'' Richard Rippe, chief economist of the investment firm Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., told the Journal.

''These pressures are expected to persist through the rest of 1990 and into the first half of 1991,'' Rippe added.

Robbert Eggert, editor of Blue Chip Economic Indicators, a Sedona, Ariz.-based newsletter, told the Journal two-thirds of the participants in his monthly survey expect a recession to start this year or next.

Those analysts, like most forecasters, see profits improving modestly next year after the economy begins showing a bit more strength, Eggert told the newspaper.

Among major groups, third-quarter income dropped for automakers, steel producers and securities firms, while oil companies and aerospace industries

posted strong gains.

Operating income for the Big Three automakers was flat, with small profits at GM and Ford offsetting a loss at Chrysler.

Ford's net was hurt by sharply lower overseas results and the need to boost loan-loss reserves at its big thrift unit, the Journal said.

Chrysler's results were hurt by the closure of both its minivan plants for four weeks during the quarter to prepare for new 1991 models.

The newspaper said the fourth quarter looks equally bleak for the auto industry, with soaring gasoline prices and plunging consumer- confidence levels expected to hurt sales.

Profits of major steel companies were rocked as prices failed to keep pace with rising costs, although demand remained relatively strong given the soft economy.

Securities firms' profits plunged because of a pullback in investor activity, the Journal said.

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#90309u1133 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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#90309u1144 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - Society's pessimistic attitude towards aging is depriving many Americans of a chance to lead healthy, satisfying lives in their later years, a National Academy of Sciences report said Monday.

A committee convened by the academy's Institute of Medicine urged doctors to look beyond the cure of severe life-threatening diseases and find better ways to reduce mental and physical disability among the elderly.

''American culture clings to some very pessimistic assumptions about aging. Growing old is often associated with fraility, sickness and a loss of

vitality. We frequently assume that older inviduals are a burden to the state, their families or even to themselves,'' the committee said.

''In fact, many older individuals lead satisfying lives and maintain their health well beyond society's expectations.''

In its 332-page report, the 15-member panel said it found U.S. health policies are often written ''as though our older generations are beyond help,'' with the elderly often not being advised to stop smoking, begin exercising or be immunized against infectious diseases.

Currently, about 30 percent of Medicare costs are spent for caring for seriously ill older people in the last year of life.

''Should we continue to devote these resources to the provision of acute care or should we allocate more of them to prolong independent functioning in a community seting?'' asked the expert panel headed by Robert Borg of the University of Rochester's School of Medicine.

The fastest growing segment of the U.S. population is the elderly. In 1988, about 30 million Americans, or 12.4 percent of the total population, were age 65 or older. By 2030, 22 percent of the population will fall into that category.

The committee's recommendations to improve older people's health include:

-Medicare and private insurers should pay for blood pressure checks, devices to reduce handicaps caused by sight or hearing loss and treatment for psychiatric disorders like depression.

-Age must be considered when testing new drugs, and doctors need to learn more about the special types of adverse drug reactions that occur in the elderly.

-Pneumonia and flu vaccines should be given to all people over age 50.

-Screening programs should be developed to detect osteoporosis early before bone fractures occur. Research is also needed to find ways to prevent potentially deblitating falls among the elderly.

-The elderly should be urged to stop smoking and to exercise more.

-Older people suffering from social isolation need to be identified, and provided with better social support.

The report comes on the heels of a study released last week by Chicago researchers who estimated the average American's life span probably will not exceed 85 even if cancer and heart disease are eliminated. A newborn American baby currently has a life expectancy of about 75 years.

Like the academy committee, the Chicago researchers called for greater efforts to reduce non-fatal, debilitating ailments associated with aging, like arthritis. ''We need to be more concerned with quality of life for the elderly '' said Bruce Carnes, a co-author of the study.

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#90309u1164 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (NOV. 5) UPI - Egypt, the only Arab country to make peace with Israel, Monday condemned the actions of Israeli troops in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip and called on Israeli leaders to show restraint toward Palestinians.

Widespread violence erupted in the Gaza Strip over the past few days, sparked by the death of a Palestinian prisoner who sources said he died under interrogation.

''Egypt, while denouncing the Israeli practices against the Palestinian people in the occupied Arab territories, calls on Israeli officials to show self restraint to avert more of such practices, which only draw the condemnation of the world community,'' Egypt's Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

The statement also called on the Israeli government to reconsider its stance toward an international team empaneled by the U.N. Security Council to investigate the killing of 20 Palestinians by Israeli police on Temple Mount in Jerusalem on Oct. 8.

''We call on the Israeli government to respond to the Security Council resolution which authorized the U.N. secretary-general to send a team to occupied Arab territories to investigate the killing by Israeli police of more than 20 Palestinians last month,'' the statement added.

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#90309u1173 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

BERLIN (NOV. 5) UPI - Just a few weeks after celebrating the country's reunification, Germans on Friday will be raising glasses to toast the first anniversary of the opening of the Berlin Wall - a key step on the road to making the merger possible.

The historic event, ironically, occurred as the result of a misunderstanding.

Berliners remember the exhilarating night of Nov. 9, 1989, when hundreds of thousands took to the streets, freely crossing from East to West for the first time in 28 years.

Champagne corks popped, strangers hugged each other and people wept openly in

the streets, their faces reflecting incredulity over the ease with which they had just passed what until then was one of the most heavily guarded borders in the world.

Friday's celebrations will doubtless be a little more subdued and include the unveiling of a memorial to the 77 people shot dead while trying to cross the barrier over the years and the inauguration of a bronze plaque that commemorates the Nov. 9 events.

For millions of television viewers worldwide, the pictures of the huge Berlin party represented a grand finale to the Cold War.

In the summer and fall of 1989, the East German communist government headed by Erich Honecker had faced its toughest - and last - major crisis when tens of thousands of East Germans fled the country in a massive exodus.

Simultaneously, huge pro-democracy rallies were held throughout East Germany. Honecker was eventually forced to resign Oct. 18 after ruling the country with an iron fist for 18 years. The resignation marked the beginning of a frenzied year of dramatic changes.

On the morning of Nov. 9, 1989, the Central Committee of the Communist Party held a crisis meeting to discuss the resignation two days earlier of the entire Politburo, which effectively ran the government.

At the meeting, Honecker successor Erich Krenz approved new travel regulations which stated that permits to travel abroad should be freely available.

Because of a minor misunderstanding between Krenz and his press spokesman, Guenter Schabowski, history was made the same day.

The East German news agency ADN was supposed to release details of the new travel regulations at 4 a.m. on Nov. 10, but Schabowski read the rule out loud at the evening news conference shortly before 6 p.m a day earlier.

When asked when the regulation would become effective, he hesitated. Then, with a puzzled look on his face, said: ''As far as I know ... it's effective now, right away.''

Within hours, crowds of East Germans gathered in front of the Berlin Wall and other border crossings around the country to see if what they heard on the news was true.

Confused border guards were taken by surprise and were unable to contain the huge crowds of East Germans, only few of whom had tried to get official travel permits.

In the last hour of that mild November night, thousands crossed without

showing any documents and celebrated with neighbors, families and total strangers.

The Wall had fallen, the people were free, the party was on - and the world watched in amazement.

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#90309u1181 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

BEREA, Ohio (NOV. 5) UPI - The Cleveland Browns Monday named offensive coordinator Jim Shofner their new head coach, replacing Bud Carson. It was not announced whether Carson resigned or was fired.

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#90309u1186 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - A ''snapshot'' portrait of the homeless taken by rescue mission workers showed Monday that the face of homelessness is becoming younger and the homeless are more rooted to their community.

More than 60 percent of nearly 20,000 homeless people staying in rescue missions on Oct. 12, were local residents, shattering the ''drifter'' stereotype, the International Union of Gospel Missions survey said.

It was the second annual ''snapshot'' poll of the homeless taken in the IUGMs 230 inner-city rescue missions in the United States and Canada.

''Many of the people we serve are hometown folks - 25 percent have lived there all their lives, and 60 percent have lived there for at least six months,'' said Stephen Burger, IUGM executive director.

''The idea that missions draw homeless to a community doesn't stand up under these facts,'' Burger said. ''The majority are community residents in need.''

In recent months some cities have been considering cutting back on services to homeless, with critics arguing that providing the homeless decent services only attracts non-residents to their cities.

District of Columbia voters will cast ballots Tuesday on an initiative that would restore a guaranteed right to shelter for all district residents - a right that was taken away by the City Council earlier in the year after it was argued the program cost too much money.

Burger said the survey also showed that homeless are continuing to become younger, as well. Statistics showed an increase in every age group in the 45-and-under categories during the past year, with more than 50 percent of the homeless now under age 35.

Those between the ages of 26 and 35 composed the largest population of those seeking shelter in the rescue missions, 28 percent, the survey said, with those between 36 and 45 a close second at 24 percent.

The number of children and teenagers - those under 18 years old - rose to 9 percent, while the over 65 group fell from 6 percent to 4 percent.

''The increase in the 'under 18' group is significant because it indicates a contrast from the stereotypical Skid Row view of the homeless as older men,'' Burger said.

Of the women, children and families at rescue missions that Oct. 12 night, women traveling with children were the largest group - 63 percent - a significant increase from last year's 46 percent. Intact families accounted for 16 percent, while 17 percent were couples.

The survey also said 53 percent of the people residing in shelters Oct. 12 were white, 35 percent black, 7 percent Hispanic, 4 percent Indian and 1 percent Asian.

Burger also said that 78 per of the 19,763 people counted were men, 13 percent were women and 9 percent were children.

Just 43 percent indicated they have been homeless for less than one year, down from last year's 50 percent.

Of the 19,763 counted, 2,279 said they were in rehabilitation programs addressing substance abuse, educational and vocational training, counseling and spiritual guidance.

''Looking at the unfolding profile of the homeless in this survey prevents us from categorizing the homeless as one mass of people,'' Burger said.

''These figures help rescue missions increase their ability to break the cycle of homelessness, by ministering to the individual men, women and children who come to us for help.''

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#90309u1190 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - The Defense Department will call up thousands of combat reserves within a few months to join Operation Desert Shield in the Persian Gulf area, The New York Times reported Monday.

The report said the Pentagon made its decision to call up major combat units after Congress doubled the limit on active-duty service for combat reservists to 360 days before adjourning last week. The previous limit was 180 days, not considered enough time to train troops sufficiently for gulf area duty.

The Times quoted Defense Department officials as saying the reservists could be in the Middle East by early next year. They are expected to be among as many as 100,000 additional troops the Defense Department has said it will send to the gulf area in coming weeks.

The use of combat reservists would be a new dimension to the military buildup in the gulf, The Times said, in that it would test the military's concept of integrating active-duty combat forces with part- time counterparts. The concept was part of the Total Force Policy adopted in 1973 when the draft was abolished.

More than 34,000 reservists have been mobilized to perform support roles for the anti-Iraq military buildup in the United States and the Middle East. The Pentagon previously opposed mobilization of combat reservists on the grounds that the months needed to train them would eat into the 180-day limit that reservists could service.

Congress' action in extending the limit to 360 days angered some lawmakers, the paper said. They argued that if the Bush Administration believed the reserve combat units were needed, a national emergency should have been declared that would have extended the call-up to two years.

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#90309u1212 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 5) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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#90309u1214 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 5) UPI - Stock prices closed higher Monday in light trading on the London International Stock Exchange, boosted in part by the stronger performance on Wall Street and hopes of a lowering of Britain's interest rates.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which added 2.7 points Friday, gained 19.4 points to 2,050.1. The narrower top 30 industrial average gained 10.4 points to 1,581.1.

Volume amounted to around a slow 306 million shares compared with 404 million shares changing hands on Friday.

Despite poor political news for the British government, with leadership challenges to Margaret Thatcher's position on European union, market dealers felt a chance of interest rate cuts from the British Treasury would spell relief for business.

Industrialists are pushing for lower interest rates before Christmas to spur a boom in consumption that could also mean a comeback in political fortunes for the ruling Conservative party, analysts said.

Advances on Wall Street, with U.S. dealers expecting rate cuts from the U.S. Federal Reserve to stave off recession, consolidated the gains in London, analysts explained.

On the economic front, the Central Statistical Office reported Britain's retail sales volume rose a revised 0.6 percent in September from August and was up 0.3 percent from September 1989.

The government agency said the Retail Index for September rose to 122.7 from 122.0 in August and 122.3 in September 1989.

Analysts noting the low volume said many professional investors remained sidelined ahead of Thursday's semiannual economic address by Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major on the state of Britain's economy.

The autumn statement centers on the government's spending program for the coming fiscal year, and traditionally contains forecasts on such economic indicators as gross domestic product, inflation and the currenct account.

On the trading floor, stocks in companies holding shares in British Satellite Broadcasting zoomed after the announced merger with Rupert Murdoch's Sky Television.

Pearson climbed 23 cents to $11.80 and Granada climbed 18 cents to $3.15.

Reuters gained 61 cents to $11.81 as worries that Murdoch's Australian-based News International Corp. would sell its stake in the media and financial information services group receded.

News International Corp. rose 45 cents to $2.37 on the merger of Sky with BSB.

Retailer Sainsbury added 6 cents to $5.85 amid expectations of better-than-expected interim figures later this week.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices closed mixed in sluggish on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The closely watched German Stock Index closed up 0.81 points to 1, 414.95.

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#90309u1226 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

MEXICO CITY (NOV. 5) UPI - More than 100 tourists and locals chased a furious bull that escaped from Acapulco's bullfighting ring down the main boulevard and stretch of beach of the posh Pacific resort, it was reported Monday.

The bull, after escaping from a traditional Sunday bullfight, tore down the main boulevard and beach area of Acapulco, a Pacific resort town 180 miles south of the capital, the Mexico City newspaper La Jornada said.

Some 100 people chased the bull that wounded two people in its path and caused several head-on car collisions, La Jornada said.

Screaming tourists dispersed in all directions when the bull charged a beachfront seafood restaurant, overturning tables and sending plates of fried shrimp flying into the air.

La Jornada said police killed the beast with five shots after it had crossed the entire tourist area and charged the town's crowded central plaza.

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#90309u1233 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 5) UPI - Police reported sporadic fighting in a black township west of Johannesburg Monday on the fifth day of clashes that have left at least 19 dead in a dispute blamed on youths supporting rival political movements.

State-run radio said the violence began Thursday when youths clashed over whether to boycott examinations at schools in Bellersdal township - politically split between supporters of the African National Congress and racially exclusive Black Consciousness movements.

By late Sunday, at least 18 people had been reported killed in fighting, most of them stabbed or hacked to death. A township constable was among the fatalities. Police said he was stabbed and set afire over the weekend.

Police spokeswoman Henriette Bester said Monday the death toll had risen to 19 and that sporadic fighting continued. One youth was seriously wounded Monday when he was speared, she said. Several houses have been burned down during the fighting.

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#90309u1258 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - The Food and Drug Administration Monday moved to require drug makers to warn doctors about possible side effects of prescription drugs in older people.

''As our knowledge has grown of how drugs work within the body, we've recognized the special concerns associated with drug use in the elderly, '' Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan said in announcing the proposed change.

Sullivan said people often lose a third or more of their kidney function between the ages of 30 and 90, which means drugs may not clear the body as quickly. For example, a dose of a muscle relaxant that might work fine in a young man or woman might so relax an older woman that she ''elax an older woman that sh

In addition, liver function may be impaired with age, brain cells change in sensitivity, muscle tissue declines and fat accumulates, Sullivan said.

''Because of these changes, physicians need to be provided with any pertinent information that's available about the drugs they prescribe for senior patients,'' he said.

Under the FDA proposal, that information would be included in drug labeling instructions to doctors.

Assistant Secretary for Health James Mason said the proposed requirement would complement guidelines on drug testing in the elderly issued by FDA in March. ''The guidelines are intended to encourage drug manufacturers to carry out thorough evaluations of the effects of drugs in elderly populations,'' he said.

There is a 60-day period of public comment on the latest proposal, which was published last week in the Federal Register. Drug manufacturers would have one year after publication of a final rule to update drug labeling.

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#90309u1267 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Strikers at the Daily News redoubled their efforts Monday to discourage advertisers as the nation's biggest tabloid continued publication in the face of sporadic incidents of violence.

A management spokesman, Lisa Robinson, insisted that the News was ''still successful at getting the newspaper on the street'' in the 12th day of the strike, but few midtown Manhattan newsstands were offering it for sale and there were reports of continued giveaways of the paper.

''We are approaching out normal daily distribution despite continuing violence

in and hope to attain it shortly,'' Robinson said.

Larry Hackett, a spokesman for striking Newspaper Guild members, said a union survey of midtown found no papers on sale anywhere.

''We've doubled the pressure on advertisers to get them to pull their ads from the News and we're going to continue that pressure until it is effective,'' Hackett said.

The Guild scheduled a general membership meeting to discuss the walkout at the Roosevelt Hotel at 7:30 p.m. It announced that a prominent News staffer, sportswriter Harvey Araton, who had returned to work last week, has rejoined the picket line.

And despite calls from management and some union members to end the violence, police continued to report additional arrests, with two men picked up Sunday for vandalizing a News building on Long Island, police said.

Nassau County police said they arrested the two for ripping radio transmission wires off the side of a News building at 813 Jericho Turnpike in New Hyde Park early Sunday morning.

The strike has been marked from the start with violence, from delivery trucks being set afire on the night before the strike began to the firebombing of a Queens newsstand Friday. No arrests were made in the firebombing incident.

The News announced Saturday it would offer rewards ranging from $500 to $5,000 for help leading to the arrests or convictions in documented cases of ''events perpetrated by union members.''

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#90309u1279 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - World oil prices declined in early trading Monday on news of anticipated falling demand and rising output by the OPEC cartel as the market focused on supply-demand fundamentals instead of possible war in the Middle East.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate for December delivery was down 65 cents to $33.35 a barrel, after selling for as low as $32.20 a barrel.

Joe Miller of Shearson Lehman Hutton's International Energy Desk in New York said prices were down because of an interview in Sunday's New York Times with Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer as well as the expectation of declining demand.

''There's no war and there's a perception that there won't be one at least this week,'' the trader said.

''The market's concentrating today on (supply-demand) fundamentals,'' echoed Peter Beutel of Pegasus Econometrics Group, Hoboken, N.J.

In his interview in the New York Times, Nazer was reported as saying Saudi production was now running at 8.2 million barrels a day and was expected to rise to 8.5 million barrels daily by early next year.

This would be almost 3 million barrels higher than the Saudi's 5.6 million-barrel-a-day output prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and would largely make up for the 4.2 million barrels lost daily to world markets by the U.N. embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude.

Saudi Arabia is the world's biggest exporter of crude oil and the largest producer of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

The authoritative Nicosia, Cyprus-based Middle East Economic Survey also reported Monday that soaring crude prices from the Persian Gulf crisis are expected to cut demand for OPEC oil about 1.7 million barrels daily during the first half of next year.

On the Merc, home heating oil for December delivery was down 0.52 cent to 86.90 cents a gallon, while December unleaded gasoline was up 0.54 cent to 89.75 cents a gallon.

Miller said gasoline was showing some strength because of an explosion Sunday night that temporarily shut down a Mobil Corp. refinery at Chalmette, La., near New Orleans.

Mobil spokesman John Lord said the refinery, which has a daily output of 160,000 barrels a day, was gradually being brought back into production Monday with the exception of the 18,000 barrel-daily hydrocracker unit, where the explosion occured.

Lord could not say to what extent gasoline production would be affected. But he added, ''We don't expect any problems in supplying our customers.''

Fear that gasoline output might be affected was sufficient, however, to prompt some traders to cover short positions previously taken in anticipation of lower prices, Miller said.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was down $1.05 at midday to $33.60 a barrel.

United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - had lost $1 to $28.40 a barrel.

#90309u1301 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
BRUSSELS, Belgium (NOV. 5) UPI - European Community ministers, meeting for the seventh time in five weeks, were warned Monday that world trade talks could collapse unless they immediately adopted a plan to cut farm subsidies.

The EC Executive Commission proposed a three-part declaration that offered something for everyone, in hopes of finally reaching agreement after weeks of disarray.

''The trade talks must not be allowed to fail, but if we don't decide we will be responsible for this failure,'' said Italian Trade Minister Renato Ruggiero who chaired the meeting expected to last well into the night.

''The time is up and we have to make a decision today,'' he told a joint meeting of EC agriculture and trade ministers, who failed in a marathon 16-hour meeting on Oct. 26 to reach a compromise.

The 12-nation Community missed an Oct. 15 deadline for submitting its proposal to Geneva talks on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, as six prior EC ministerial meetings ended in deadlock.

The Uruguay Round of GATT talks, which began in that country in 1986, are due to end in Brussels on Dec. 7.

France and Germany have bitterly objected to a proposal by the EC Commission to reduce subsidies by 30 percent in the decade ending in 1996.

A new Commission declaration, unveiled at Monday's meeting, calls for EC farmers to receive other compensations to make up for the cut in subsidies. They include French-sought preference for EC products, a set- aside program for non-food use favored by Germany and aid to ''less- favored'' regions in the Mediterranean.

Ray MacSharry, the EC agriculture commissioner, said the Commission proposal was ''a substantial offer, not a minimalist offer'' as described in some reports.

The proposed 30 percent reduction falls far short, however, of the U.S. proposal to slash farm supports by 75 percent by the year 2000, including cuts of 90 percent in market-distorting export subsidies.

The U.S. proposal is backed by the Cairns Group of agriculture producers, which includes Argentina, Australia and New Zealand.

Ruggiero has toured EC countries in the past week for bilateral talks aimed at finding a compromise, but officials said no radically different positions were

presented.

''Everyone has to approach the negotiations with the spirit of compromise,'' he told the meeting. ''The failure of the Uruguay Round will be to the advantage of those who support protectionism in the world.''

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(NOV. 5) UPI - The Defense Department reportedly plans to call up major combat units from the reserves in the next few months to join the anti-Iraqi military buildup in the Persian Gulf. The New York Times quotes Pentagon officials as saying the reservists could be on the front lines by early next year. The paper says the reservists are expected to be among as many as 100-thousand additional troops that the Defense Department has said it will send to the gulf area in coming weeks.

Secretary of State Baker says the crisis in the Persian Gulf is entering ''a new phase'' and the United States must be ready ''to exercise any options'' to settle the conflict. Baker made the comments today after meeting with Kuwait's exiled Emir in Saudi Arabia. Baker is expected to meet with Saudi King Fahd later today, reportedly to ask Fahd's permission to launch a military strike against Iraq if necessary.

In Dallas, more damaging testimony was heard today in the fraud trial of former Vernon Savings and Loan owner Don Dixon. A former financial officer for the defunct thrift says he was ordered to disguise payments for prostitutes as Christmas bonus checks written with taxpayer- guaranteed funds. Garrison Roth testified that he once paid 300-dollars each for eight girls to accompany a group of Vernon executives on a boat ride for eight hours. Dixon's thrift failed in 1987 at a loss of one- point-three-BILLION dollars.

The Food and Drug Administration is proposing requiring drug makers to warn doctors about possible side effects of prescription drugs in older people. The proposed change was announced by Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan. Sullivan noted that as people age they undergo physical changes that may make them more prone to drug- related side effects than a younger person. Under the F-D-A proposal, information about side effects in the elderly would be included in drug labeling instructions to doctors.

A ''snapshot'' survey by rescue mission workers shows that more and more young people are joining the ranks of the nation's homeless, with more than half of the homeless now under age 35. The International Union of Gospel Missions survey also shattered the stereotype of homeless people being drifters. It says more than 60 percent of nearly 20- thousand homeless people staying in inner-city rescue missions in the United States and Canada on October 12th, were local residents.

Jesse Jackson is set to win election to public office for the first time. Jackson is certain to be elected to one of two so-called ''shadow senator'' posts for the District of Columbia. The mission of the two ''shadow senators'' will be to act as super lobbyists for statehood for the District of Columbia.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - Yields declined on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Monday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $9.839 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 7.07 percent, down from 7.12 percent last week and the lowest since Aug. 15, 1988, when the auction yielded 7.05 percent.

The Treasury also sold $9.818 billion of 26-week bills at an average of 7.05 percent, down from 7.13 percent last week and the lowest since July 11, 1988, when the yield stood at 6.99 percent.

The investment rate was 7.30 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,821.30 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26- week bill was 7.41 percent at $9,643.60.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - Eight Republican members of the House are fighting for election to the Senate in Tuesday's midterm elections. The winners get a pay cut and the losers go on the breadline.

The Republicans, all of whom had safe seats, not only took a political risk in taking on entrenched Senate incumbents but, probably to their chagrin, the the prospect of a sizable cut in pay, even if they win.

The House, in 1989, voted for a large pay raise that takes the pay of their members from $96,600 to $124,600 on Jan. 1.

But terrified of the political fallout, the Senate only voted cost- of-living increases, bringing the salaries of its members to $104,600 starting the first of next year.

Three of the Republicans abandoned their seats to run for open seats in New Hampshire, Colorado and Idaho where the incumbents, also Republicans, did not seek re-election.

Rep. Hank Brown, R-Colo., and Rep. Larry Craig, R-Idaho are heavy favorites to make it to the Senate and gulp their $20,000 cut in pay.

But Rep. Robert Smith, R-N.H., appears to be in a fight against former Sen. John Durkin, who is waging an aggresive campaign in the one of the country's most Republican states.

Rep. Patricia Saiki, R-Hawaii, is in a close race against Sen. Daniel Akaka, D-Hawaii, and could make the move accross the Capitol.

Ironically, Akaka, then a member of the House, gave up his chances at the pay raise when he was appointed to the Senate last summer to replace the late Sen. Spark Matsunaga, also a Democrat.

If Matsunaga, who had two years to go on his term had lived, both Saiki and Akaka would be assured of more money next year. Now, the best they can hope for is the $101,400 Senate salary.

And Rep. Tom Tauke, R-Iowa., remains within striking distance of Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, in the Hawkeye state.

But the three other Republicans, if the polls are on target, should be making out their resumes.

Reps. Lynn Martin, R-Ill., Claudine Schneider, R-R.I., and Bill Schuette, R-Mich., are given little, if any chance, of unseating Sens. Paul Simon, D-Ill., Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., and Carl Levin, D-Mich.

Two other Republican members of the House, Republican John Rowland and Democrat Bruce Morrison, are both running for governor in Connecticutt and neither probably will win. Former Sen. Lloyd Weicker, a liberal Republican running as an independent, has held a steady lead.

If either Rowland or Morrison slip by Weicker, they will begin earning on Inauguration Day, $78,000 a year.

Democratic Rep. Joseph Brennan who was governor once before, is trying to get back in the governor's mansion in Maine, although that post pays a miserly $70,000.

Although the pay scale for the governors is on the low side, in almost all cases the perks are better than those in Congress and include a governor's mansion and staff.

Sen. Pete Wilson, R-Calif., has the best of all worlds. He is running for governor of California against former Mayor Diane Feinstein of San Francisco and has job security, win or lose.

If Wilson is elected governor, he will draw at least the current $85, 000. But a pay commission is going to set a new salary scale for state employees and

the governor's salary is sure to go up.

And if Wilson loses, he can return to the Senate. Two more years remain on his six-year term.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos smiled gently and wore a look of intense envy when his Swedish counterpart, Goran Persson, said his country had licked illiteracy.

But Cavazos's eyes began to roll when Persson mentioned that a national curriculum is part of the package deal under Sweden's Democratic Socialist form of government.

The idea of a national curriculum appeared to be an anathema to Cavazos, noting that in the United States, 16,000 different school boards make curriculum decisions, not the Education Department.

''I do not envy you,'' Persson said, shaking his head in amazement.

Cavazos and Persson met in Washington last week to compare notes on education and discuss the Nov. 13-14 meeting of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development's education committee. Ministers or deputy ministers of the 24 participating OECD countries will meet in Paris to discuss improving the quality of education and training.

The nations are Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Germany, Finland France, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom and the United States. Yugoslavia will participate as a ''special status'' country.

After their private session, Cavazos and Persson told reporters that while their respective countries have different types of educational systems, they both suffer an estimated 20 percent drop-out rate. They hope to get ideas on solving that problem at the meeting.

''The international consensus on the need to improve quality and access for all children, and particularly those who are most at risk for educational failure, precisely mirrors the determination expressed in our national educational goals that all or children will receive an outstanding education '' Cavazos said.

When asked if the U.S. educational goals, which President Bush announced last year, can be achieved, Persson said diplomatically, ''The most important thing is that you set the goals.''

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has sent a letter of warning to a Gulfport, Miss., firm for allowing Miss Teen U.S.A. contestants to frolic with captive dolphins.

The NOAA warning was contained in a letter dated Nov. 1 to Marinelife Oceanarium in Gulfport, charging it with violating the Marine Mammal Protection Act by letting Miss Teen U.S.A. pageant contestants swim with captive dolphins.

The letter said that on July 2, 1990, ''several contestants in the Miss Teen U.S.A. beauty pageant visited Marine Life Oceanarium, Gulfport, Miss., in order to participate in a video taping of activities involving interactions between the contestants and dolphins.''

The letter said the tape showed ''several of the contestants in the water feeding a dolphin (or dolphins) and repeatedly riding on the dolphin(s) by holding onto the animal's dorsal fin.''

The agency said Marine Life Oceanarium's permits ''do not include the activities involving swimming and other physical interaction between the visiting pageant contestants and the dolphins of the sort that took place on July 2, 1990.''

The violations, NOAA said, ''are subject to a variety of penalties, including monetary penalties. However, after reviewing the facts and circumstances of this case, I find that a written warning, which carries with it no monetary penalty, is a sufficient sanction. This letter, however, serves as a warning that a violation has been documented and that a future violation may be dealt with more severely.''

Only four facilities in the United States have permits that allow humans to swim with captive dolphins. Three of them are in the Florida Keys and the other is in Hawaii.

''Only four facilities hold permits allowing swim-with-the-dolphin activities under an experimental program, and we will not tolerate abuses by permit holders who beyond the purview of their existing permits,'' said William W. Fox Jr., assistant administrator of NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service. ''Violators will incur not only warnings, but fines, penalties, and possible revocation of permits allowing them to hold captive animals for public display.''

NOAA, under the Marine Mammal Protection Act, is responsible for ensuring the overall well-being of marine mammals in U.S. waters.

NOAA spokesman Roddy Moscoso said the first permit allowing swimming with dolphins was issued on an experimental basis in 1985.

The permits were to have expired April 30, 1990, but were extended to Dec. 31, 1991, still under experimental conditions. At the time NOAA said ''no new permits, however, will be issued to other locations at this time, and no additional dolphins may be captured for use in these programs.''

The National Marine Fisheries Service has said it had received ''no physical evidence that the dolphins involved in the programs have suffered more health problems than dolphins, which are used for public display in aquaria habitats.''

While NOAA decided to allow the programs to continue, it also announced that the NMFS also intended to strengthen its monitoring of the programs and strictly enforce new conditions to the existing permits. Under the new conditions, dolphins are to be provided additional rest periods, increased security, and a means of escape from the swimming public. Potential health risks to the general public are ''blic are

Moscoso said concerns about the swim-with-the-dolphins program include transfer of disease from humans to the dolphins and social and behavioral changes in the dolphins that would cause them to become more trusting of humans, increasing their risk of injury.

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LONDON (NOV. 5) UPI - The wives of 10 British hostages said Monday they will travel to Baghdad this week to try and plead with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for the release of their husbands.

One politician advised them to ''keep a stiff upper lip'' and not to becomeemotional.

Baghdad last week said relatives of all hostages could travel to Iraq to visit their loved ones. The announcement prompted fierce objections from the Foreign Office over Iraq's strategy of keeping civilians as human shields against possible attack by a 300,000-member multi-national military force assembled in Saudi Arabia.

But the wives of 10 British hostages said they planned to accept the offer of Iraqi visas and travel on Thursday to Baghdad, where they hoped to meet Saddam and secure the freedom of their husbands.

''We don't have anything to negotiate,'' Dorothy Goodwin said at a news conference. ''We are not politicians or diplomats. We are purely wives of

hostages who are going out there. We hope that if we have an interview with the president on humanitarian grounds, he may allow us to bring our husbands home.''

But Sir John Stokes, a senior parliamentarian from the ruling Conservative Party, advised the women to ''do their crying in private,'' and warned that the visit would undermine the international front created against Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''I think they are going over the top,'' he said. ''I think they should have complained privately by letter ... and not by emotionalism on the box (TV).''

''We in this country are known for our stiff upper lip and this is what they should show,'' the politician said.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (NOV. 5) UPI - A small amount of cocaine found in a space shuttle hangar likely belonged to an individual and does not indicate a widespread drug problem at the Kennedy Space Center, a top NASA official said Monday.

Forrest McCartney, director of the Kennedy Space Center, told reporters there is no evidence drugs were involved in any of a number of embarrassing mishaps and accidents at the spaceport earlier this year.

''It's been suggested perhaps that could have been involved in some of the incidents we've had,'' McCartney said. ''We have not found that and in analyzing each one of those instances, we have not found a common thread that would cause you to think that.

''I don't see any evidence whatsoever that links drugs to the incidents or accidents that we've had.''

In the meantime, engineers at launch pads 39A and 39B are pressing on with plans to launch the shuttle Atlantis around Nov. 16 and its sistership Columbia just two weeks later around Nov. 30.

Atlantis had been scheduled for takeoff Friday night, but problems with the ship's secret spy satellite payload forced Air Force mission managers to order a delay. While McCartney would not discuss the progress of work to repair the payload, he said the spaceplane should be ready for launch next week.

''The 16th, give or take a day or so, is the best guess now. That's a reasonable planning time,'' he said. ''I'm not speaking for the Department of Defense. But if you were to ask me what's a good planning date now ... I think the middle of the month is reasonable to assume.''

As for Columbia, an internal NASA rule calls for three weeks between shuttle missions so data from one flight can be studied before launching the next. McCartney said agency managers are studying ways to reduce the time needed for a post-flight assessment of Atlantis's mission in order to launch Columbia around the end of the month.

''We'd like very much to fly (Columbia), get it down and get it home before Christmas,'' he said. ''But we're not going to waive any of the looking, what we look at'' between missions.

As for drug use at the space center, a small packet of cocaine containing about 1 gram of the drug - about .04 ounces - was discovered Friday morning in Orbiter Processing Facility No. 1 where the space shuttle Discovery is being serviced after a mission last month.

McCartney said an alert individual spotted the drug under a desk in the OPF and called security personnel.

It was ''a very small amount,'' McCartney said, and ''it was very clear that it belonged to perhaps an individual rather than some ... big operation. I think when we get down to it, what we'll find is that unfortunately, some individual has a habit.''

The cocaine discovery was the latest in a series of embarrassing incidents at the Kennedy Space Center. The most recent accident involved a 9-foot-long, 70-pound beam that fell in the shuttle Atlantis's engine room as the ship was being hoisted into the vertical launch position.

The beam was part of an access platform that was accidentally left inside the shuttle's engine compartment. Atlantis did not suffer any manager damage and McCartney said drug use at the spaceport did not appear to be a factor in any of the incidents.

''We have 20,000 people working here,'' he said. ''Drugs are a problem for society today (and) we are very sensitive to that problem. This has every appearance to be, unfortunately, someone has a drug problem. That's regrettable.

''Certainly, you'd like to be sure that all the folks who are doing any work on flight hardware are in full command of themselves so it does concern me. On the other hand, it's not unexpected. It would be naive to think that with as many thousands of people as we have here that there aren't some people who have that problem.''

He said security personnel would continue an investigation into the cocaine seized Friday ''to try to determine who was involved in it. Hopefully, we'll be able to find the individual who was involved and offer some assistance.''

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CHICAGO (NOV. 5) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	77.10	77.42	76.97	77.20	77.10
Feb	74.70	75.15	74.50	74.62	74.72
Apr	74.85	75.15	74.60	74.67	74.90
Jun	72.70	72.92	72.40	72.45	72.75
Aug	71.35	71.40	71.05	71.05	71.30
Oct	71.55	71.60	71.42	71.42	71.50
Dec	72.25	72.25	72.25	72.25	72.27

Est. sales 8,661 contracts; Friday 6,888; open interest 68,563 up 583.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Nov	87.35	87.52	87.27	87.32	87.22
Jan	85.25	85.70	85.25	85.32	85.30
Mar	83.35	83.60	83.20	83.25	83.32
Apr	82.50	82.55	82.30	82.35	82.47
May	81.65	81.75	81.55	81.65	81.65
Aug	....	....	....	80.80	80.80
Sep	....	....	80.20	80.20	80.25

Est. sales 919 contracts; Friday 1,113; open interest 9,177 up 52.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	52.60	52.90	52.07	52.32	52.75
Feb	49.95	50.30	49.55	49.87	50.05
Apr	47.12	47.45	47.00	47.12	47.12
Jun	50.75	51.15	50.65	50.65	50.70
Jly	51.07	51.15	51.00	51.15	51.07
Aug	49.40	49.55	49.30	49.50	49.45
Oct	44.90	44.90	44.60	44.60	44.65
Dec	....	....	....	44.80	44.80

Est. sales 6,617 contracts; Friday 5,903; open interest 26,517 up 1,988.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	64.70	66.45	64.00	66.25	64.45
Mar	63.95	65.45	63.20	65.37	63.45
May	64.00	65.57	63.40	65.55	63.57
Jly	63.65	64.70	62.60	64.62	62.70
Aug	62.20	62.20	61.80	62.00	60.20

Est. sales 5,515 contracts; Friday 3,702; open interest 8,419 up 258.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Monday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 127.34 down 17 cents, 700-850 lbs. 127.37 down 15 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 118.33 down 15 cents, 700-850 lbs. 117.88 down 9 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light; fresh pork loins steady; Boston butts were not fully established; skinned hams steady to weak; seedless bellies firm to sharply higher; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 100.00-103.00, 18- 22 lbs. 102.50; hams 17-20 lbs. 100.00, 20-26 lbs. 96.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 50.00, 16-18 lbs. 52.00-52.50.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest

period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Amer Southwest Mtge Invs (3rd Q)	
....	....
$3,412,000 (.23)	$1,318,000 (.09)
Blessing Corp (3rd Q)	
$26,433,000	$25,797,000
$1,676,000 (.51)	$1,190,000 (.36)
Country Lakes Foods (3rd Q)	
$52,871,000	$39,060,000
a-$462,000 (.10)	$1,221,000 (.28)

a-After charge of $750,000 for costs related to restructuring of company's ice cream business.

Data-Design Labs (1st Q 9-30)	
$25,247,000	$21,838,000
ad-$1,297,000	d-$1,174,000

ad-Deficit, loss from continuing operations.
d-Deficit.

Farmer Bros Co (1st Q 9-30)	
$46,863,000	$48,584,000
$4,442,000 (2.31)	$4,326,000 (2.25)
GEICO Corp (3rd Q)	
$59,000,000	$43,800,000
$15,200,000 (3.87)	$15,500,000 (2.83)

Grumman Corp (3rd Q)
$1,007,454,000 $905,389,000
$25,644,000 (.75) $16,936,000 (.48)

Hudson General (1st Q 9-30)
$30,900,000 $32,817,000
$306,000 (.25) d-$72,000
d-Deficit.

Lawson Mardon Group (3rd Q)
$293,500,000 $250,800,000
$8,300,000 (.28) a-$5,000,000 (.17)
a-After a charge of $1,600,000 (.06) for reorganization of North American operations.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Piedmont Federal (3rd Q)
....
d-$814,000 $607,000 (.23)
d-deficit.

Ramsay-HMO Inc (1st Q 9-30)
$32,154,000 $23,750,000
$1,061,000 (.24) $421,000 (.32)

Reynolds & Reynolds (4th Q 9-30)
$155,509,000 $149,867,000
$5,398,000 (.51) $6,989,000 (.65)

Rockerfeller Center (3rd Q)
$31,176,000 $31,756,000
$9,536,000 (.26) $10,882,000 (.29)

United Fire & Casualty (3rd Q)
....
$3,373,000 (1.05) $1,559,000 (.48)

Viking Office Prod (1st Q 9-30)
$48,082,000 $35,911,000
$1,561,000).18) $1,143,000 (.19)

Western Waste Ind (1st Q 9-30)
$51,071,000 $41,333,000
$2,857,000 (.21) $2,058,000 (.19)

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LANNEMEZAN, FRANCE (NOV. 5) UPI - Four prisoners flew to freedom aboard a helicopter Monday in a daring escape from a penitentiary in the rugged French Pyrenees after an accomplice took the pilot hostage, police said.

They identified two of the four who escaped from the Lannemezan central the Hautes pyrenees as Frederic Boulay and Gislain Gilbert, who took part in another prison escape in December 1989 but later were re- captured.

The last such escape attempt by helicopter in France happened last June 20, when two armed men hijacked a chopper at the airport of Cannes- Mandelieu and flew over the main penitentiary at Nice.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 5) UPI - Soybeans were sharply lower at the close Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade. Corn was slightly higher, wheat was slightly lower and oats were narrowly mixed.

Light commercial buying supported futures but a round of professional selling took the November and January bean contracts to their lowest level since last fall and set new lows for the September and November 1991 contracts. The November through July contracts suffered double- digit losses.

Traders said ideas that the USDA will increase its soybean crop estimate on Thursday - with demand remaining nothing exceptional - pressured prices. Beans also were pressured by lower prices for soybean oil and meal, and the lack of trading on European markets.

Corn prices got some support from lack of farmer selling and expectations of a USDA report calling for a slightly lower corn production estimate. Trading in corn was choppy.

The negative action affecting beans, spilled over to wheat to trim gains that had been made.

At the close, corn was up 1/2 to 2, beans were off 3 1/2 to 12 1/4, wheat was off 1/2 to 1 1/2 and oats were up 1/4 to off 1/2.

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NEWARK, NJ (NOV. 5) UPI - A U.S. District Court judge ruled Monday there is no evidence to link the National Republican Committee to a controversial so-called voter security project in a tight U.S. Senate race in North Carolina.

Judge Dickinson Debevoise ruled the national party is not involved in the program sponsored by the North Carolina GOP, which mailed 150,000

official-looking postcards to predominantly minority Democratic precints, which warned voters of the penalties of committing voter fraud.

''I concluded that the kind of program in North Carolina that is taking place appears to be the kind of activity that violates (the 1982) consent decree, but I concluded that the national party did not participate in the program,'' Debevoise said.

Under the consent decree supervised by Debevoise and reaffirmed in 1986, the Republican party agreed to refrain from running such programs if they would discourage minorities from voting.

''Had (the North Carolina GOP) been subject to the agreement, the ballot security project would have violated it but they are not a party to it,'' the judge said. ''I only have jurisidiction over the national committee.''

Arch-conservative Republican incumbent Jesse Helms is locked in a fierce re-election battle with Democrat Harvey Gantt, who is seeking to be the first black elected to the Senate from the South since Reconstruction.

Democrats have charged the voter security effort is designed to frighten minorities into staying away from the polls on Election Day.

The cards read, in part, that it is a federal crime ''to knowingly give false information abut your name, residence or period of residence to an Election Official.''

''This is a clear victory for the RNC. What the judge did today was stop a fishing expedition,'' said Tom Kirby, an attorney for the GOP. ''There was no indication that we were involved in North Carolina.''

Ben Ginsberg, a second attorney for the Republicans, added that the DNC ''has made broad allegations (but) the judge confirmed there is no evidence we have engaged in the activity.''

''If there was some great, dark plot by the Republicans, (the Democrats) have no proof it exists,'' Ginsberg added.

Bob Bauer, a spokesman for the DNC, said he was satisfied the hearing put the GOP on notice the party is carefully observing the Helms-Gantt race.

''We will be looking for minority disenfranchisement in every county in North Carolina,'' he said. ''If we find out on Election Day there are poisoned fruits of this mailing, we will be back here in court at top speed.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Glamour magazine Monday named its 10 women of the year, ranging from the leader of the Chinese students' democracy movement to Madonna.

The magazines' annual award hailed the women ''who lit up the year with their daring, enterprise and vision.''

Chai Ling, a former student at Beijing Normal University, who fled China after the Tiananmen Square massacre last year, was honored ''for her leading role in China's democracy movement.''

Madonna was praised ''for personifying women's power of self- determination.''
The other winners:

- Sen. Barbara Mikulski, D-Md., ''For waking up the Senate to women's health problems.''

- Sarah Brady, wife of White House aide James Brady who was shot in an assassination attempt on President Reagan, ''For working to reduce the handgun epidemic in the U.S.''

- Marian Wright Edelman, founder and president of the Children's Defense Fund, ''For making child care a front-rank issue in the U.S.''

- Wendy Kopp, founder of the non-profit organization, ''Teach for America,'' ''For her imaginative program to bring top students into teaching.''

- Tennis champ Chris Evert, chairwoman of ''Clean Start,'' a Florida- based program that helps inform young pregnant women about the dangers of drug use, ''For refusing to rest on her laurels.''

- Elizabeth Glaser, wife of actor Paul Michael who has been a leading fund-raiser and lobbyist in the fight against AIDS, ''For her all-out fight to fund AIDS research.''

- Rep. Patricia Schroeder, D-Colo., ''For highlighting women's health care equity.''

- TV personality Jane Pauley, ''For extraordinary grace under pressure.''

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - While Tuesday is nail-biting time for many candidates, 45 members of Congress can relax - they have no major party opposition.

The lack of competition, however, did not keep the office holders from raising

hundreds of thousands of dollars in campaign contributions.

The list includes 41 members of the House and four senators. In addition, Sen. J. Bennett Johnston, D-La., has already won re-election under the Louisiana system whereby a majority winner in the primary automatically gets the seat.

Two Democrats and two Republican senators face no major party opposition: San Nunn, D-Ga., David Pryor, D-Ark., Thad Cochran, R-Miss., and John Warner, R-Va.

Nunn, often mentioned as a potential Democratic candidate for president in 1992, raised more than $1.9 million despite being unopposed.

Warner raised more than $1.6 million and Cochran and Pryor both raised more than $1.2 million.

The unopposed House members include some of the biggest names in that chamber.

Rep. Bob Michel, R-Ill., the House Republican leader, and Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., were so solid that no one would run against them.

Other major names included Kika de la Garza, D-Texas, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee; Henry Gonzalez, D-Texas, chairman of the House Banking Committee; and Jim Leach, R-Iowa, one of the leaders of the House GOP moderates.

Nearly half of the Texas delegation - 13 out of 27 seats - were unopposed, the largest number of any state.

In addition to del la Garza and Gonzalez, they included Democrats Ralph Hall, Craig Washington, Mike Andrews, Ron Coleman, Solomon Ortiz, Marvin Frost and Charles Stenholm and Republicans Jack Fields, Steve Bartlett, Larry Combest and Bill Archer.

Earlier this fall, Massachusetts voters participated in heavy anti- incumbent, ''throw the rascals out'' style primaries. But chances of doing so Tuesday are much weaker since four of their 11 congressmen are unopposed.

The four Democrats are Joe Early, Ed Markey, Joe Moakley and Brian Donnelly.

Like their Senate counterparts, the unopposed House candidates still have been out raising hundreds of thousands of dollars even without serious opposition.

At least six of they have raised a half million dollars each - Washington, Bartlett, Michel, Frost, Bob Roe, D-N.J., and Larry Smith, D-Fla. - with Markey and Andrews not far behind.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 5) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.64 1/2	2.68	2.61 3/4	2.64 1/4	2.65 1/4
Mar	2.80	2.82 1/2	2.76 1/2	2.78 3/4	2.79 1/4
May	2.87 1/2	2.90 1/4	2.85 1/4	2.86 3/4	2.88 1/4
Jly	2.92 1/2	2.95	2.90	2.91 3/4	2.93
Sep	2.99 1/2	2.99 1/2	2.96 1/2	2.96 1/2	2.98
Dec	3.08 1/2	3.09	3.08 1/2	3.09	3.10
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.29 3/4	2.31	2.29	2.30 3/4	2.30 1/4
Mar	2.40	2.41	2.39	2.40 3/4	2.40 1/4
May	2.46 3/4	2.46 3/4	2.46	2.47 1/2	2.46 3/4
Jly	2.51 1/2	2.53	2.51	2.52 3/4	2.51 3/4
Sep	2.51 1/2	2.53	2.50 3/4	2.52 1/2	2.50 1/2
Dec	2.51	2.53 1/2	2.51	2.53	2.51 1/4
Mar	2.58 1/2	2.58 1/2	2.58 1/2	2.58 1/2	2.57 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.21 1/2	1.22 1/2	1.20 1/4	1.21	1.21 1/2
Mar	1.31 3/4	1.32 1/2	1.30 3/4	1.31 1/2	1.31 1/2
May	1.38 3/4	1.38 3/4	1.37 1/4	1.38 1/4	1.38
Jly	1.44 1/4	1.44 3/4	1.43 1/4	1.44	1.44
Sep	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	5.91 1/2	5.92	5.80	5.81 1/2	5.92 1/2
Jan	6.07 1/2	6.08 1/2	5.96 1/2	5.97 1/2	6.09 1/4
Mar	6.23	6.23 1/2	6.11	6.12	6.24 1/4
May	6.35 1/2	6.35 1/2	6.24 3/4	6.25 3/4	6.37 1/4
Jly	6.45	6.46 1/2	6.36	6.36 1/4	6.45 1/2
Aug	6.46	6.46	6.36	6.36 1/4	6.45 1/2
Sep	6.27	6.27	6.18 1/2	6.19 1/4	6.26
Nov	6.16	6.18	6.10 1/2	6.11 1/2	6.15 3/4
Jan	6.26	6.26	6.23 1/2	6.23 1/2	6.27
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Dec	21.48	21.57	21.29	21.37	21.54
Jan	21.84	21.87	21.58	21.65	21.84
Mar	22.28	22.33	22.05	22.12	22.30
May	22.72	22.74	22.47	22.53	22.72
Jul	22.90	22.90	22.75	22.84	22.99
Aug	23.03	23.03	22.81	22.81	23.03

Sep	22.88	22.88	22.70	22.70	22.95
Oct	22.60	22.60	22.55	22.55	22.65
Dec	22.50	22.59	22.40	22.52	22.55
Jan	22.50	22.60	....	22.55	22.57

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	179.70	179.70	175.90	176.00	180.20
Jan	181.70	182.00	178.50	178.60	182.60
Mar	186.00	186.30	182.80	183.10	186.90
May	188.00	188.30	185.50	185.60	188.90
Jul	190.00	190.30	188.00	188.20	191.00
Aug	191.00	191.00	189.00	189.00	191.80
Sep	188.50	188.50	186.50	186.50	188.30
Oct	182.50	183.00	....	182.70	184.00
Dec	184.00	185.00	183.00	184.20	185.20
Jan	186.00	186.00	185.00	185.00	....

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(NOV. 5) UPI - The exiled Emir of Kuwait is calling for swift military action to end Iraq's occupation of his country. The emir told reporters after meeting with Secretary of State Baker in Saudi Arabia that he wants Kuwait freed ''today and NOT tomorrow.'' Baker is in Saudi Arabia to discuss with Arab leaders a possible military strike against Baghdad.

While Baker discussed military options, the troop buildup in the region continued with the sending of more Syrian armored formations to Saudi Arabia. Egypt also pledged to deploy more tanks and jet fighters in the region. And the New York Times reports the Pentagon will call up thousands of combat reserves to join Operation Desert Shield.

President Bush is spending the day campaigning for Republican candidates in his adopted home state of Texas... winding up the 1990 campaign season. Bush spoke to a flag-waving crowd of a few thousand people at Tyler Junior College in East Texas during an appearance on behalf of gubernatorial candidate Clayton Williams. He'll also address rallies in Waco and Houston.

Mount St. Helens rumbled to life early today. But scientists at the U-S Geological Survey characterize the unexpected eruption as ''relatively minor.'' The volcano in southwest Washington state shook violently and spewed ash 30-thousand feet into the air. The mountain blew its top in 1980, killing 59 people.

A top NASA official says there's NO indication that drug use is widespread at the Kennedy Space Center. Forrest McCartney, director of the Kennedy Space Center, told reporters today that a small amount of cocaine found in a space shuttle hangar Friday likely belonged to one individual. It was the latest in

a series of embarrassing incidents at the spaceport.

Thousands of high school students marched on the National Assembly in Paris today to protest conditions in schools. Police say about 20- thousand students from the capital and the Paris region took part in the protests. Organizers put the figure at 40-thousand. Up to 100-thousand students took part in similar protests elsewhere in France.

In South Africa, a fifth day of sporadic fighting in a black township west of Johannesburg has left at least 19 dead. Most of the victims were stabbed or hacked to death. State-run radio says the violence erupted Thursday when youths clashed over whether to boycott examinations at schools.

A raging bull escaped from Acapulco's bullfighting ring during yesterday's traditional fights and caused several head-on car collisions as it ran down the main boulevard of the posh resort. A Mexico City newspaper reports the bull was chased by more than 100 tourists and locals. Two people were injured. The paper says police shot and killed the charging beast.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Gold futures closed Monday 310 to 320 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	376.70	....	....	379.50	376.40
Dec	378.30	383.30	377.80	381.10	378.00
Feb	382.50	387.20	381.80	384.90	381.80
Apr	385.00	391.50	385.00	388.40	385.30
Jun	389.00	393.80	389.00	392.20	389.10
Aug	398.00	398.00	395.80	395.80	392.70
Oct	400.50	400.50	399.70	399.70	396.60
Dec	401.50	404.00	401.50	403.70	400.50
Feb	405.20	....	....	408.10	404.90
Apr	409.30	....	....	412.20	409.00
Jun	416.60	....	....	416.60	413.50
Aug	418.50	....	....	421.30	418.20

Open interest: 114,816 up 723.

Estimated sales: 28,000 contracts.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker Monday fired Felix Bloch, a high-ranking diplomat suspected of illegal contacts with Soviet espionage agents.

It marked the first time the U.S. government has used national security reasons as the grounds for removing a State Department employee.

The ruling by Baker, based on a hearing and a review by a high- ranking board of appeals, means that Bloch's administrative remedies are now exhausted and he must turn to the courts for any possible reversal.

But Bloch, who had been deputy chief of mission at the U.S. Embassy in Vienna, has refused to testify formally about his contacts with Soviet agents. If he were to take an appeal to the courts, he would have to open himself to examination under oath by government prosecuters.

No formal charges have ever been raised against Bloch, but widespread leaks from U.S. government investigators said that he had been in contact with a Soviet agent in Paris and in Vienna, and that he had been photographed handing over a briefcase to the Soviet citizen.

According to the leaks, Bloch was taped telling his wife that he had received money from the Soviets, but the surreptitious tape recording would not have been admissible in any American court.

Bloch, as a member of the Foreign Service, was protected from dismissal from his $80,000-a-year job under normal conditions. But the State Department used the little-known national security provision and Baker, in signing the order, found Bloch's removal ''necessary and advisable in the interest of national security because of his deliberate false statements to the FBI in the course of a national security investigation.''

The dimissal order also cited his ''behavior, activities and associations,'' but those allegations were not made specific in the final order.

Bloch has been suspended from his job since the investigation began last year, but he remained on the payroll until earlier this year when the national security charges were raised.

His dismissal, and termination of salary, became effective at the close of business Monday. His pension, which would eventually be more than $50,000 a year, is not directly affected by the dismissal.

While he was suspended and under investigation, he was followed by teams of FBI agents and, occasionally, television camera crews. Periodically, without exchanging any words with them, he would lead them on ''death marches,'' rapid-paced hikes that would be as long as 22 miles.

The State Department and the FBI have never revealed what information Bloch is accused of turning over to the Soviets, but as a high-ranking official in the Vienna Embassy, he would have had access to the highest levels of top secret

documents, including arms control negotiating position papers.

He would also have been aware of the names of any intelligence agents working under cover in the U.S. Embassy.

Bloch, 55, was born in Austria and had served in Berlin and Vienna as a political and economics officer. In Vienna, he had served under two Reagan administration political appointees, Helene Von Damme and Ronald Lauder, both widely regarded as inexperienced amateurs.

Bloch had occasionally expressed his scorn for them and his frustration of being passed over for higher posts by such political appointees in talks with other diplomats.

He would have been in line for an ambassador's post, but the Reagan administration filled the available spots with political appointees, and Bloch was sidelined to a minor office in the State Department, which kept track of the activities of the European Common Market.

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JERUSALEM (NOV. 5) UPI - Defense Minister Moshe Arens said Monday that increased military preparedness in response to the Gulf crisis will cost Israel about $1 billion over a six-month period, Israel Radio reported.

Arens told a meeting of the Israeli-American Chamber of Commerce in Tel Aviv that the Persian Gulf crisis had forced Israel to increase its alertness, make an additional callup of army reserves, and take other special preparations, the radio reported.

''The state of alert that we're in, the preparedness that we have to achieve, I think over a six-month period is probably costing us about a billion dollars '' the defense minister told the radio.

Arens said he was pleased with the U.S. response to his request for more military aid during his recent visit to Washington, but he declined to discuss the matter further.

Israel has repeatedly said it has no plans to become involved in the crisis or strike at any country, but would respond forcefully to any attack.

Israeli army spokesmen have refused as a matter of policy to discuss any measures that have been taken since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

In the Gaza Strip Monday, shots were fired at an Israeli army patrol as more than 150,000 Palestinians were confined to their homes by curfews to prevent a third day of violence.

The Gaza Strip was relatively quiet after two days of widespread violence in which one Arab was killed and more than 220 wounded by army gunfire.

In Shabura neighborhood of Rafah city, shots were fired at a patrol. The soldiers fired back, but did not apprehend the assailants. Security forces put the area under curfew and began combing the area for suspects, military sources said.

No soldiers were wounded in the incident, the third time guns have been used against Israelis in recent weeks in Gaza.

Discussing the disturbances in Gaza, Arens said recent criticism of Israel's handling of demonstrations encourgaged more unrest and vowed Israel would not be influenced directly or indirectly by the violence.

''The hope is that the (violence) will cause reverberations abroad, that it will cause reverberations in the U.N. Security Council ... and that this influence from the outside will affect us,'' he told a meeting of the Israel-American Chamber of Commerce.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - Existing homes sales slipped nationwide during the third quarter while the median price for a single-family home posted a modest gain, the National Association of Realtors said Monday.

Resales were down or showed no change in 29 states and improved in 19 states and the District of Columbia. Nevada resales posted the greatest gain at 25 percent.

Overall resales slipped 2.5 percent during the quarter to an annualized rate of 3.66 million homes.

Norman Flynn, the association's president, said the overall resale slowdown masked bright spots in some markets, including Nevada, Idaho, South Dakota, Utah and South Carolina. Resales remained sluggish in New England and along the California coast.

''Consumers should not be led to believe that the residential housing market is no longer a good place to make an investment, even though some areas of the country are slow right now,'' Flynn said.

Flynn said the housing market is expected to remain slow through the middle of next year.

In the South, resales increased 1.4 percent from year-earlier levels, although

certain areas, namely those in the oil-patch states, are showing more significant gains. Median prices in the region rose 1.8 percent to $87,200.

Resale activity in Texas gained 8.8 percent while Oklahoma posted a 7.3 percent gain in resales during the quarter. South Carolina posted the region's greatest increase at 12.6 percent.

In the Midwest, resale activity declined by 1 percent from year- earlier levels, although median prices in the region gained 3.6 percent to $75,100.

Sharp drops in resales along the California coast fueled an 8.8 percent decline in resale activity in the West.

Resales in California dropped 18.9 percent during the quarter. Hawaii and Washington posted declines of 14 percent and 14.4 percent, respectively. Median prices fell 5.3 percent from year-ago levels to $138,200.

The Northeast real estate market remained sluggish with resales declining 8.5 percent. Pennsylvania appeared to recovery but local real estate markets along the Boston-New York corridor remained soft. Median prices in the region dropped by 2.7 percent to $143,100.

The association also said the national median price for a single family home increased 1.8 percent during the quarter to $96,600, with Honolulu boasting the country's most expensive residential real estate.

Nationwide, median housing prices ranged from a high of $375,000 in Honolulu to a low of $49,200 in Saginaw, Mich.

Foreign investors continued to heat the Hawaiian real estate market, accounting for a 36.4 percent surge in the annual median price in Honolulu.

Seattle posted the nation's second-highest price increase at 24.9 percent to $144,800, followed by a 24.4 percent increase in Sacramento, Calif., to $144,600.

Homes in less expensive areas of the country posted a greater appreciation during the quarter than did houses in costlier areas. Appreciation was mixed in the West and Northeast but increased steadily in the Midwest and South.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - The State Department accused the Iraqi government Monday of playing a cruel game of cat and mouse with the lives of innocent hostages.

Spokesman Richard Boucher was referring to a series of telephone calls and

statements from some American hostages in Iraq, some of them reporting humane treatment by their captors, but others reporting appalling hardships and deprivation.

The pattern described by State Department officials appears to be one in which Iraq intends to keep the hostages in the limelight, maintaining their value as bargaining chips in an eventual negotiated solution.

Boucher said that 21 telephone calls were received over the weekend from American hostages.

It appeared, said Boucher, that those hostages were subjected to harsh conditions: ''Consistent with other reports we have received, many detainees said they were losing weight, that the food was poor, and that with the approach of winter they were frequently cold. Others expressed concern that the medication they were using was running out.''

However, other communications from other hostages, including television interviews permitted by the Iraqi authorities, talked of humane treatment and ample food.

The State Department said, ''It was clear from the comments of several of the detainees that the mail we are delivering from the families to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs is not reaching the people held by the Iraqis.''

Boucher said, ''It appears to us that Saddam Hussein has chosen to play games with innocent human lives. We think that if he's genuinely concerned about allowing husbands and fathers to talk to their wives and children he should simply release all the hostages and let them come home.''

Four American citizens were released by Iraq over the weekend and three of them were due to arrive in the United States Monday.

''We know from returning Western hostages that detention conditions vary widely,'' the State Department spokesman said. ''These conditions, as reported by those who have been there and have left, range from acceptable to appalling.''

Iraqi officials have said they would let all the hostages leave if the Iraqi government were given some assurance by permanent members of the United Nations Security Council that there would be no military attack against Iraq.

However, that Iraqi proposal mentioned nothing about withdrawing Iraqi troops from Kuwait first, a consistent demand by U.N. Security Council.

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	375.75	off 4.50
Morning fixing	377.05	up 1.30
Afternoon fixing	376.90	up 1.15
Close	376.75	up 1.00
Paris	378.43	up 3.03
Zurich	377.00	up 1.00
Hong Kong	376.65	off 3.40
New York		
Comex spot close	379.50	up 3.10
Republic cash	379.25	up 2.75
Handy and Harman	376.90	off 0.60

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 378.19 off 0.60 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 397.10 off 0.63 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.227	up 0.042
Republic cash	4.225	up 0.045

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.21 per fine ounce up 0.05

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.21 up 0.05 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.505 up 0.059

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 417.00 off 7.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 517.00 off 7.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 94.00 off 1.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 109.00 off 1.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 9 to 20 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.62	9.65	9.47	9.55	9.71
May	9.63	9.67	9.52	9.58	9.70

Jly	9.62	9.65	9.55	9.60	9.69
Oct	9.62	9.65	9.51	9.57	9.69
Mar	9.58	9.58	9.55	9.57	9.77

Estimated sales: 7,531 contracts
Open interest: 112.107 up 958
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.68

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 1 to 10 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.20	23.22	23.19	23.20	23.23
Mar	23.21	23.21	23.19	23.19	23.22
May	23.30	23.31	23.26	23.26	23.31
Jly	23.32	23.32	23.26	23.26	23.31
Sep	23.30	23.30	23.21	23.21	23.31
Nov	23.05	23.07	23.05	23.06	23.14
Jan	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.01

Estimated sales: 562 contracts
Open interest: 10,846 off 91

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ANCHORAGE, AK (NOV. 5) UPI - Regardless of who wins the race for governor of Alaska, history will be made.

If Democrat Tony Knowles wins, it would be the first time an Eskimo - in the form of Knowles' running mate, Willie Hensley - had won a statewide election.

If Republican Arliss Sturgulewski wins, she would become the first woman to govern the rough-and-tumble, some would say macho, Last Frontier.

But if Wally Hickel is victorious - and all pre-election public opinion polls put him in the lead - he would become the first independent to command the state.

Only three times in U.S. history has a state elected an independent to the governship, according to the National Association of Governors: Oregon in 1931 North Dakota in 1937 and Maine in 1975.

This year, two states, Connecticut and Alaska, may elect independents. Lowell Weicker Jr., stands a good chance of beating the two major party candidates in Connecticut, just as Hickel does in Alaska.

But in Alaska pollsters have a tough time accurately assessing the political pulse in remote areas because there are few telephones in many bush

communities.

Hensley said he is confident that those communities - which he said can deliver 50,000 votes or one-sixth of the state's registered voters - would vote so overwhelmingly Democrat that his ticket can win.

''There are a significant number of votes out there,'' Hensley said, acknowledging, however, that the ''bush is becoming more independent.''

Native support for the Democrats, which is not unanimous, still offers only minority support. Together, Eskimos, Indians and Aleuts make up about 16 percent of Alaska's population.

Another factor in the race is gender. Sturgulewski, who has made an issue of her abortion rights stance - despite opposition from her own party on that issue - has openly sought women's support.

But Knowles also supports abortion rights and has been trying hard to lure women away from Sturgulewski.

In a bizarre endorsement that may reflect some of the political divisiveness among moderate and liberal women, the Alaska Women's Political Caucus has endorsed Sturgulewski, the Republican, for governor, and Democrat Hensley for lieutenant governor - an impossible ticket.

That would be like having endorsed Republican George Bush for president and Democrat Lloyd Bentsen for vice president.

The women's caucus made its endorsements prior to the open August primary, when voters could choose any candidate of any party for any office, but the impossible Sturgulewski-Hensley endorsement has been displayed in recent caucus political endorsement ads.

Hickel, a long-time Republican, entered the race late, just six weeks ago, on the Alaskan Independence Party ticket. Hickel said he does not support the party's call for independence - separation from the United States - but was using the fringe party as a vehicle to run on a conservative platform against a moderate and a liberal that he said left many voters no candidate.

Only 4,588 Alaskans registered to vote as members of the Alaskan Independence Party. But party means next to nothing in Alaska. Out of 300,463 registered voters in the state, Republicans can claim only 63, 131, and only 57,974 voters registered as Democrats. A whopping 168,726 - more than Republicans and Democrats together - refused to be identified with any party when they registered.

Hickel, 71, was elected governor of Alaska in 1966 - his only election victory - but quit two years later to become President Nixon's Secretary of Interior.

Two years after that, Nixon fired him. For the past decade, Hickel has been pushing for construction of an $11 billion trans-Alaska natural gas pipeline.

Knowles, 47, served two terms as mayor of Anchorage. Hensley, 49, is an Eskimo leader who has served in the state senate.

Sturgulewski, 63, is a state senator. Her running mate had been Jack Coghill, 65, an arch-conservative state senator who left the ticket to run with Hickel. James Campbell, 58, a businessman, then became Sturgulewski's running mate.

All three gubernatorial candidates, Hickel, Knowles and Sturgulewski, are residents of Anchorage, where half the state's population lives. Each campaign has spent about $1 million; Hickel and Sturgulewski are both millionaires and most of his Hickel's campaign money has been his own.

Various polls show Hickel ahead, with 35 percent of the vote. Knowles and Sturgulewski each have about 30 percent.

A fourth candidate, Green Party candidate Jim Sykes, was seeking to get 3 percent of the vote, the minimum required to have the state recognize his environmentalist party as an official party with an automatic slot on future ballots.

Democratic Gov. Steve Cowper is retiring after one term.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
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NYSE Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in sluggish trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in thin trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1/2 to 2, beans were off 3 1/2 to 12

1/4, wheat was off 1/2 to 1 1/2 and oats were up 1/4 to off 1/2.

Cattle Trade - Weak to $1 lower; top $79.75.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 5) UPI - Monday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.44 1/4-2.54 1/4 off 1.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.72 1/2- 5.83 1/2 off 11 3/4 to 11.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.18 3/4-2.31 3/4 up 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.33 3/4 up 1/2.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Eight people were under arrest Monday in a fatal Halloween rampage by a masked gang that shouted ''trick or treat'' before attacking homeless people on a desolate island off Manhattan.

The defendants made incriminating videotaped statements placing themselves at the scene of the brutal crime and pinning the actual killing on an 18-year-old male, whose name was not immediately released, said a police source.

That 18-year-old defendant, who was arrested early Monday, also made a videotaped statement about killing on Wards Island, the source said.

''They put themselves there, but they never actually do the killing. Everybody puts it on him,'' the source said.

A ninth youth was being sought in the attack by assailants who wore Halloween masks, wielded a meat cleaver, vacuum cleaner parts and broken bottles and shouted ''trick or treat'' before setting upon their victims.

Many of the victims lived in the Charles H. Gay Men's Shelter on Wards Island, and police say the attackers went after homeless men as they crossed the pedestrian bridge from Manhattan.

They are accused in the death of Carlos Melendez, 25, who apparently tried to fend off the attackers in the woods on the Wards Island side of the bridge. Melendez had been walking along a path toward the shelter when he was attacked.

Police charged the following with two counts of second-degree murder and one count of riot: Robert Sherman, 23, Hector Torres, 15, Aaron Ware, 13, John Morano, 16, and Raymond Fenner, 22.

They are charged with murder under the theories of intentional killing and displaying a depraved indifference to human life.

Eric Williams, 15, whose address was unknown, was charged with first- degree attempted assault and second-degree assault in a separate attack on Wards Island.

The names of the other defendants were not immediately available. They were expected to be arraigned late Monday at Manhattan Criminal Court.

Police said one of the suspects wore the mask of Freddy Kruger, the character in the ''Nightmare on Elm Street'' movies. Another wore a hockey mask, the symbol of the character Jason from the horror film ''Friday the 13th.''

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#90309u1601 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Monday	1036.3
Friday	1043.2
Week ago	1042.5
Month ago	1089.8
Year ago	1108.2
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1025.5

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#90309u1605 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Standard & Poor's Corp. downgraded senior debt of Citicorp Monday to A-plus from AA-minus Monday, the second such demotion the No. 1 U.S. bank holding company has sustained in seven months, but conceded the company continues to maintain "substantial strengths." About $22 billion in debt and preferred stock issued by Citicorp and various domestic and overseas subsidiaries was affected.

The agency also lowered its estimate of the safety of certificates of deposit and letter of credit-backed issues of Citibank N.A., Citibank (North Dakota) and other banking units, and Citicorp commercial paper.

S&P's echoed currently widespread concerns about deterioration of Citicorp's asset base - particularly loans made on commercial real estate and highly leveraged corporate transactions. The agency said it considered Citicorp's

provisions against possible loan losses to be on the low side.

"The lower ratings reflect S&P's expectation that asset quality will continue to deteriorate, albeit at a slower pace than that of the past year," S&P's said. "The problems should continue to be concentrated in the real estate and highly leveraged transaction lending areas.

"At the same time, the company has maintained an aggressive philosophy on capital and reserves that has kept those ratios low by industry standards. In an increasingly difficult business environment, earnings are also likely to remain depressed by heavy provisions for loan losses."

Citicorp had third-quarter profits of $221 million, off 38 percent from the year-ago quarter, allocating $640 million to cover loan losses. In the period, nonperforming commercial assets rose $1.1 billion to $9.2 billion.

Citicorp spokesman John Maloney, in a prepared statement, said bank officers were "disapppointed with the one-notch downgrade." He said holding company and bank debt "continues at high investment grade."

Acknowledging S&P's concern about Citicorp's commercial real estate holdings, Maloney said such loans were "a relatively low six percent of assets." He noted in addition that only ten percent of Citicorp's funding came from capital and money markets, vs. 65 percent from mostly consumer deposits.

He added that bank executives were "pleased with S&P's strong recognition" of Citicorp's industry leadership, its profitable consumer operations, business and geographical diversity and commitment to global operations.

While the downgrade followed by just seven months the last demotion of senior debt issued by Citicorp - S&P's downgraded it to AA-minus from AA April 26 - it left Citicorp debt six steps above the speculative zone.

"This is still a very solid rating for a bank," said analyst Tanya Azarchs, whose commentary on the bank's credit standing underscored its diversity, both in product lines and and geographical distribution, and consumer operations, including credit cards, which remain highly profitable.

"An A-plus is a very high rating, and I don't mean to imply ... just because some people might ask, are they about to fail," she said. "I've been getting questions like that lately and so it was partly to preempt those."

Among the debt instruments downgraded was Citicorp preferred stock, on which, in recent days, the bank has been obliged to lift the dividend rate to as high as 13 percent - far above the normal market return. The bank has $950 million in such stock outstanding, and issues are regularly repriced.

Asked how this might affect the auction-rate securities, Azarchs said the 13

percent yield "correlates to a rating that is much lower than A- minus anyway, so I don't know what the market will do."

She noted that the high rate paid on the securities reflected not the risk of default by Citicorp, but investors' insistence that the preferred stock remain a highly liquid - i.e. easy to sell - investment vehicle. "We don't have any concerns about the liquidity of the corporation," she said.

Citicorp is suffering from the same problems as many other banks, especially losses on commercial real estate loans, but it has taken a different approach to coping with them, Azarchs said. Unlike Chase Manhattan Corp. and others, it has declined to cut its dividend and drastically downscale.

"In some ways they believe they are special partly because of their broad diversity," she said, "and in some ways we accept that but we would still like to see higher levels of capitalization and reserves."

For now, Citicorp meets regulatory requirements setting the minimum level of capital expressed as a percentage of assets, Azarchs said. But it has "a ways to go" to meet new, higher capital ratios coming into effect in stages between now and 1992, when an 8 percent ratio will be required.

Citicorp Chairman John Reed has rebutted criticisms by stating he believes in "capital efficiency," not "capital adequacy," Azarchs noted. "We believe in capital cushions," she said, "especially in difficult times."

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#90309u1608 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 5) UPI - Riding in the back of a pickup truck appears to be particularly risky for children, researchers reported Monday.

The researchers from the University of Utah School of Medicine in Salt Lake City studied 40 patients ages 16 and under who had been injured in pickup truck accidents.

Reporting in the journal Pediatrics, the researchers found 73 percent had been passengers in the bed of an open pickup and the rest were passengers in an enclosed cargo area. None of those studied had worn restraints.

Ninety-three percent of the accidents occurred in populated areas and 88 percent occurred between April and September, the researchers said. A number of the injuries were sustained when drivers made sharp turns, quick stops and rough accelerations.

''It is striking to note that 38 percent of the patients were injured in noncrash events,'' the researchers said. ''In this type of incident, restraint devices would have prevented the victim from being thrown about inside the

cargo area or being ejected from the vehicle.''

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration data indicate 22 percent of children's deaths in pickup truck accidents in the United States in 1987 were associated with riding in the cargo area, the researchers said.

Though all states now have passenger vehicle restraint laws for children, only 17 have any type of restriction for passengers riding in the back of pickup trucks, the researchers said.

''These data confirm our suspicion that this mode of transportation is a particular risk to the pediatric age group,'' the researchers said.

''We need to convince legislators that restrictions, restraint devices or prohibition of people riding in the back of pickup trucks are needed to curtail this type of transportation and to educate parents to avoid this dangerous and potentially lethal activity.

''Part of the resistance to passage of this type of legislation involves perceived impact on the agricultural sector of the U.S. - our data suggest that the vast majority of morbidity and mortality in children is not related to agricultural use of pickup trucks.''

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#90309u1620 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.81

60 to 89 days 7.93

90 to 119 days 7.73

120 to 149 days 7.67

150 to 179 days 7.63

180 to 270 days 7.56

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.85 - 7.65

Issuers 30 days 7.81

Issuers 90 days 7.81

Issuers 270 days 7.47

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.94

60 to 89 days 8.08

90 to 119 days 7.97

120 to 149 days 7.94

150 to 179 days 7.94

180 days 7.94

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

1 month 7.875 - 8.00

3 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

6 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

Year 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.09 - 7.07

6 months 7.04 - 7.02

Year 6.86 - 6.84

Federal Funds: High 7 7/8, Low 7 3/4, Close 7 13-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 7.682 off 0.007.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90309u1622 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	66 3-8	off 3-8
AT&T Company	35 1-8	up 3-8
BCE Inc	33 3-8	up 5-8
Bell Atlantic	53 1-2	up 3-4
BellSouth Corp	54 1-4	up 1-8
Exxon Corp	x48 7-8	unch
Ford Motor Co	27 1-8	up 1-4
Genl Electric	53 3-4	up 3-4
General Motors	37 3-8	up 1-4
GTE Corp	28 3-8	off 1 1-8
IBM Corp	107 7-8	up 3-4
Mobil Oil Corp	60 1-4	up 1-2
Nynex Corp	69	off 7-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24 1-8	off 1-4
Pacific Telesis	45 5-8	off 1-8
Phila Electric	17	unch
Sears Roebuck	26 3-8	up 3-4
Southern Co	26 5-8	off 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	56 1-4	up 3-8
US West Inc	37 3-8	off 3-8

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#90309u1629 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2502.23	up	11.39
20 Trans	850.59	up	8.13
15 Utils	214.66	off	1.26
65 Stocks	882.84	up	3.41

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#90309u1630 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2502.23	up	11.39	850.59	up	8.13	214.66	off	1.26
Friday	2490.84	up	35.89	842.46	up	10.54	215.92	up	0.31
Week ago	2430.20	off	5.94	827.11	off	9.98	208.38	off	0.31
Month ago	2523.76	up	13.12	859.65	off	6.66	208.50	up	3.21
Year ago	2582.17	off	47.34	1192.57	off	19.20	218.06	off	1.63
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90309u1638 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - A day before the midterm election, Democrats looked ready Monday to capitalize on voter discontent and expand their control of the House and Senate, while some analysts predicted any large-scale anti-incumbent fever would fizzle.

With the entire House, one-third of the Senate and 36 governorships at stake, the central question of the voting appeared to be whether public anger with elected officials will translate into a movement to ''throw the bums out.''

However, strategists from both parties indicated that they did not believe the public's distress would translate into massive forced exits by incumbents.

That was even more likely, they theorized, because voter turnout was projected to be extremely poor - perhaps hitting a post-World War II low.

In the Senate, where Democrats hold a 55-45 edge over Republicans, the Democrats hoped they could pick up perhaps two seats, while GOP analysts theorized that they could get out of Election Day without losing any more ground.

In the House, the situation appears much more volatile. Democrats, who currently hold a 258-175 edge with two vacancies, publicly said Monday that at best they may pick up about eight seats. However, some Republicans say it's possible the GOP could lose about 15 seats.

As candidates closed out their campaigns across the country, President Bush wrapped up a weeklong, six-state swing in Texas, urging voters to ignore the so-called experts and vote their true feelings.

''Tomorrow's vote is critical,'' he said at a Republican rally in Tyler, Texas. ''My message to you all is that you have a chance to make a difference.''

''I see all these great inside-the-beltway experts telling us everything that is wrong with the United States. Tomorrow you can go to the polls and say what's right about it,'' he said.

The problem for Republicans, according to some disgruntled GOP insiders, is that Bush's declining popularity is hurting their chances.

''The anti-incumbent thing is real,'' said one Republican strategist. ''But the reason it hurts us more than the Democrats, even though they have more incumbents, is that we also have Bush.''

According to independent projections, eligible voter turnout could be below the 36 percent level recorded in the last midterm election in 1986.

However, analysts said turnout would almost certainly not be uniform across the country, with the sites of the most hotly contested campaigns almost certainly having the largest numbers of voters.

Probably the most closely watched race in the nation was also one of the ones that will determine next year's Senate makeup - a neck-and-neck battle in North Carolina between Republican conservative Jesse Helms and liberal black Democrat Havey Gantt.

But also grabbing center stage were a host of tight gubernatorial races, including a close California race between Republican Pete Wilson, a U.S. senator, and former San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein.

Also on tap is a close Florida race between Republican incumbent Gov. Bob Martinez and Democrat Lawton Chiles, a former U.S. senator, and the Texas gubernatorial shootout between Republican Clayton Williams and Democrat Anne Richards.

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#90309u1641 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks - 8,830,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,907,834,015
Bonds - $4,200,000
1990 to date - $625,123,000

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#90309u1654 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	291.58	up	1.60
High Technology	292.92	up	0.41
Capital Goods	304.42	up	1.40
Consumer Goods	360.98	up	0.30
Service	627.83	up	9.37
Retail	902.89	up	9.93
Financial	342.13	up	0.76
Natural Resources	225.46	up	0.88
Housing-Const-Land	227.51	off	1.34

There was a gain of 6 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	370.30	off	0.78
Mid Atlantic	384.17	up	2.07
No Central	368.15	up	1.90
So Atlantic	788.63	up	6.59
So Central	292.60	up	1.17
Mountain	107.49	off	1.20
Pacific	324.70	up	5.19
Foreign	222.51	up	1.07

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#90309u1655 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 123 to 200 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	74.62	74.65	72.98	72.98	74.98
Mar	74.52	74.60	72.86	72.86	74.86
May	74.76	74.80	73.08	73.08	75.08
Jly	74.90	74.90	73.10	73.20	75.05
Oct	68.00	68.00	66.77	66.80	68.05
Dec	66.25	66.25	64.95	65.05	66.28
Mar	66.75	....	....	65.87	67.15

Estimated sales: 7,500 contracts

Open interest: 48,764 up 203

The World spot average: 69.84

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(NOV. 5) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	171.49	up	1.42
ASE Market Value Index	291.58	up	1.60

Dow-Jones Industrial 2502.23 up 11.39

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#90309u1661 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks	-	147,510,000 shares
1990 to date	-	33,882,531,712
Warrants	-	1,833,500
1990 to date	-	216,736,500

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#90309u1664 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 291.58, low 289.95, close 291.58, up 1.60.

There was a gain of 6 cents in the average share price.

Volume 8,830,000 shares, compared with 9, 280,000 Friday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	38
New Lows	124
Advances	287
Declines	269
Unchanged	237
Total Issues	793

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#90309u1667 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
LUSAKA, Zambia (NOV. 5) UPI - More than 2,000 miners at one of the world's largest copper mines heeded an appeal by union leaders Monday to call off a wildcat strike that began over the weekend, Zambian Consolidated Copper Mines said.

Operations at ZCCM's Nchanga mine came to a standstill Sunday when hundreds of workers joined a walkout that began Saturday by some 400 engineering department employees, the state-owned Daily Mail newspaper said.

Mineworkers Union of Zambia General Secretary Koshita Shengomo declined Monday to discuss details of the strike, saying only that union officials were traveling to the mine in Chingola to assess the situation.

In a brief announcement later, the state-controlled ZCCM said union officials headed by Treasurer Peter Chilindi had urged the employees to call off the protest pending the start of formal wage negotiations on Tuesday.

''They were told that their action would jeopardize negotiations due to start tomorrow for collective agreement,'' the statement said.

The miners in the politically volatile copper belt are demanding a 200 percent wage increase and better working conditions generally.

Zambia derives more than 95 percent of foreign exchange earnings from copper sales. ZCCM is the country's largest employer with about 50,000 workers. The Nchanga is one of the largest open pit mines in the world.

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#90309u1670 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Monday - $41,140,000

1990 to date - $9,414,551,000

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#90309u1678 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - Secretary of State Baker says the Persian Gulf crisis is entering a new phase.

Baker arrived in Taif, Saudi Arabia, today... the second stop on a week-long, eight-nation tour to talk about possible military action against Iraq with Arab leaders.

Baker says while the United States is still seeking a diplomatic solution to the standoff with Saddam Hussein, it can NOT rule out other options.

Saudi King Fahd has said he will NOT allow his country to be used as a base to launch a strike against Baghdad.

But the exiled Emir of Kuwait today suggested just that, calling for a quick strike to drive Iraqi forces out of his occupied homeland.

The Kuwaiti monarch, who has set up a government-in-exile in the Saudi mountain resort of Taif, told reporters- ''As far as I am concerned, I would like my country today and NOT tomorrow.''

In other Gulf news, the New York Times says thousands of military reservists may be sent to Saudi Arabia by next Spring. The paper reports the Defense Department plans to call up combat reserves in a few months. They are expected to be among as many as 100-thousand additional troops the Pentagon says will be deployed as part of Operation Desert Shield.

The State Department today accused Iraq of playing a cruel game with the lives

of the innocent hostages in Kuwait and Iraq. The statement was a reference to telephone calls from some American hostages reporting humane treatment to counter reports the captives are undergoing appalling hardships.

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#90309u1679 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - Hundreds of thousands of poor students could be deprived of an education at trade and technical schools, community colleges and even four-year universities under provisions in the budget plan Congress sent to President Bush, educators say.

The five-year, $490 billion deficit reduction package, passed by Congress on Oct. 27, slices some $1.7 billion out of the most popular federal student loan program by creating rigid restrictions aimed at educational institutions whose students have high loan default rates.

For the next two years, any school with a default rate of above 35 percent will be barred from all federal student loan programs, with the default rate cutoff dropping to 30 percent for 1993 and beyond. Historically black colleges and Indian community colleges are exempt until 1994.

The congressional action was spurred by concern over high default rates at some educational institutions, from trade schools to major universities, and several instances of flagrant fraud and waste by disreputable schools.

About 300,000 students nationwide will lose eligibility for guaranteed federal student loans, but just 50,000 of those will come from traditional four-year colleges and community colleges, according to the National Association of Trade and Technical Schools.

Stephen Blair, the association's president, predicted that about 10 percent of the nation's approximately 4,000 trade schools, particularly those located in inner-cities, could be forced to close because of financial losses caused by the loan rollback due to high default rates.

''It's going to have a substantial impact upon poor folks,'' said Blair, whose organization represents some 1,300 schools, including those specializing in automotive and diesel repair, cosmetology and medical services.

Blair said high default rates are less a function of mismanaged schools than what population receives loans, saying high default rates usually are produced by schools with high poor enrollment.

''Yes, there have been abuses,'' Blair added. ''Yes, there have been some terrible scams committed by (technical and trade) school people. But what you're talking about is probably one-half of 1 percent that have engaged in fraud and abuse.''

''It is so much easier to make budget cuts when you believe that you are eraticating fraud and abuse. The simple truth is you're cutting out poor people and feeling OK about it,'' Blair added.

Other loan restrictions in the budget include: requiring student loan applicants without a high school diploma or equivalency degree to pass an independently administered standardized test in order to receive the loan and delaying disbursement of loan money for 30 days for first-time borrowers.

The American Council on Education, an umbrella group representing colleges and universities nationwide, said it is too early to estimate the impact of the new loan policies on American higher education, particularly the traditional four-year institutions.

Pat Smith, the group's director of legislative analysis, said about 3 percent of the approximately 3,500 community colleges and four-year colleges and universities have default rates above 35 percent.

''You're not looking a huge numbers of schools,'' Smith said. ''This (policy of loan restrictions) wouldn't have been our choice. But, on the other hand, it doesn't look disastrous.''

Melanie Jackson, a lobbyist for the Association of Community College Trustees, which represents about 1,000 public community colleges across the country, said the impact on two-year community colleges is likely to be muted by the fact that only about 6 percent of the approximately 5 million community college students receive federal student loans.

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#90309u1683 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday.

Stock		$Volume	Close	Chg.
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	51,802,384	33 1/4	up 1 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	50,456,192	36 1/4	up 1 1/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	45,050,068	31 7/8	up 3/4
Consteltn Bncp	(CSTL)	44,498,996	7	up 3/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	41,866,300	65 5/8	up 5/8
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	28,152,132	17 3/4	up 7/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	27,110,420	27	up 1 1/2
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	25,567,638	36 1/2	up 3/8
St Paul Cos	(STPL)	20,253,632	55	up 1/4
Conner Prphrls	(CNNR)	18,756,442	23 3/4	up 7/8

Composite Index 149.60 up 2.00

NMS volume 80,900,200 shares.

Advances	829
Declines	639
Unchanged	1,314
Total	2,782

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#90309u1688 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	27.20-27.30	29.40-29.45
North Sea Brent	32.60-32.70	34.65-34.70
West Texas Intermed	31.90-31.95	34.00-34.05
Light Louisiana Sweet	32.85-32.95	35.00-35.10
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	97.00-97.50	95.95-96.45
No. 2 Heating oil	82.45-82.95	85.15-85.40
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	88.00-88.25	88.95-89.20
No. 2 Heating oil	81.55-81.70	84.15-84.40

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#90309u1697 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV 5) UPI - World oil prices declined Monday on news of falling world demand and rising output by the OPEC cartel, as the rumor-sated crude market focused on supply-demand fundamentals instead of possible war in the Middle East.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate for December delivery ended the day down $2.04 from Friday to $31.96 a barrel, after having sold for as low as $31.80 a barrel in Monday's trading.

''There's a lack of willingness to play this market unless there is substantial news. For the past week, the market has not been willing to react to every little rumor anymore,'' said Ed Kevelson of Dean Witter Reynolds' International Futures Group in New York.

For a while, it appeared the market was trading in a range of $33-$36 a barrel. Now, it looks like the low end of the range will be $28-$30 a barrel, the region where prices bottomed out two weeks ago, the trader said.

Depending on what the American Petroleum Institute reports in its weekly inventories survey late Tuesday, prices could slip to that range by Wednesday, Kevelson said.

Joe Miller of Shearson Lehman Hutton's International Energy Desk in New York said prices Monday were affected by an interview in Sunday's New York Times with Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer as well as by an expected decline in demand.

In the interview, Nazer was reported as saying daily Saudi production was now running at 8.2 million barrels and was expected to rise to 8.5 million by early next year.

This would be almost 3 million barrels higher than the Saudis' 5.6 million-barrel-a-day output prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and would largely make up for the 4.2 million barrels lost daily to world markets by the U.N. embargo ordered against Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude soon after the invasion.

Saudi Arabia is the world's biggest exporter of crude oil and the largest producer among members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Also, the authoritative Nicosia, Cyprus-based Middle East Economic Survey reported Monday that soaring crude prices stemming from the Persian Gulf crisis are expected to cut daily demand for OPEC oil by about 1.7 million barrels during the first half of next year.

On Friday, the International Energy Agency, set up by large industrialized nations to monitor global oil production and consumption, estimated world daily oil consumption in the current fourth quarter would drop 800,000 barrels from previous forecasts because of higher prices and slowing economies.

The IEA also estimated industrialized nations' consumption would drop an additional 500,000 barrels in the first quarter of 1991 to 37.9 million barrels a day.

On the Merc, home heating oil for December delivery was down 2.96 cents to 84.46 cents a gallon, while December unleaded gasoline lost 1.67 cents to 87.54 cents a gallon.

Miller said gasoline showed relative strength because of an explosion Sunday night that temporarily shut down Mobil Corp.'s Chalmette, La., refinery near New Orleans.

Mobil spokesman John Lord said the refinery, which has a daily output of 160,000 barrels, was gradually being brought back into production Monday with the exception of the 18,000-barrel-a-day hydrocracker unit, where the explosion occurred.

Lord could not say to what extent gasoline production would be affected but added: ''We don't expect any problems in supplying our customers.''

Fear that gasoline output might be affected was sufficient, however, to prompt some traders to cover ''short'' positions previously taken in anticipation of lower prices, Miller said.

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#90309u1703 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - The State Department today dismissed Felix Bloch, a high-ranking diplomat suspected of illegal contacts with Soviet espionage agents.

It's the first time ever the government has used national security reasons as the grounds for firing a State Department employee.

The ruling by Secretarty of State Baker was based on a hearing and a review by a high-ranking board of appeals. It means that Bloch's administrative remedies have been exhausted and he must turn to the courts for any possible reversal.

The diplomat has refused to testify formally about his contacts with Soviet agents. But if he appeals to the courts, he'll have to open himself up to examination under oath by government prosecutors.

NO formal charges were ever raised against Bloch, who was deputy chief of mission at the U-S Embassy in Vienna. But widespread leaks from U-S government investigators said he had been in contact with a Soviet agent in Paris and in Vienna.

Bloch was suspended from his job when the investigation began last year, but had remained on the payroll until earlier this year.

Scientists are downplaying today's rumblings at the Mount St. Helens volcano in southwest Washington state.

The volcano rumbled to life unexpectedly this morning... shaking violently and shooting ash 30-thousand feet into the sky.

But scientists at the U-S Geological Survey say the eruptive activity was ''relatively minor'' and does NOT represent a precursor to stronger explosions.

Clouds and darkness obscuring the volcano raised concerns that the mountain was unleashing another major blast of the type that killed 59 people on May 18th, 1980.

Officials issued warnings but quickly determined that only a relatively mild

''event'' had occurred, lightly dusting nearby areas with ash and leaving the volcano's crater and lava dome intact.

Experts say this morning's activity was the biggest in the past 10 months and was comparable to a minor eruption that occurred last winter.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - The U.S. government had frequent secret contacts with the Palestine Liberation Organization, including a carefully choreographed series of exchanges that led to direct U.S.-PLO talks, according to a forthcoming book.

The book, ''Arafat, In the Eyes of the Beholder,'' by Janet and John Wallach, also says that a former U.S. ambassador to Lebanon, who had frequent contacts with PLO officials in Lebanon, believes that a ''friendly power'' - presumably Israel - objected strenuously to those meetings.

John Gunther Dean, according to the book, published by Lyle Stuart, believes that the the Phalangist militia that tried to assassinate him in Beirut in the summer of 1980 was supplied by Israel with the weapons that were used in the attempt.

The most elaborate series of U.S.-PLO diplomatic contacts, at a time when the United States was forbidden by law to have such a dialogue, came in 1988, in the closing days of the Reagan administration.

The book describes a process that began in the summer of 1988 when Swedish Foreign Minister Sven Andersson approached Secretary of State George Shultz with a proposal that Sweden be used as an intermediary to set up a direct series of meetings between the U.S. government and the PLO.

The U.S. government was insisting that the PLO renounce terrorism and agree to recognize Israel's right to exist as conditions for U.S.-PLO talks. But the book said that Shultz suggested that if the PLO wanted to attach conditions of its own, that would be the PLO's perogative.

The contacts quickened after the November 1988 elections but Shultz, according to the book, did not consult either President-elect Bush nor his designated secretary of state, James Baker, about his negotiations with the PLO.

The authors write that Shultz called in the Swedish ambassador on Dec. 3, 1988 with a secret letter to Andersson in Stockholm, giving Yasser Arafat the exact formulation to use in meeting the U.S. conditions about renouncing terrorism and recongizing Israel's right to exist.

The secret letter, which Shultz said Andersson could share ''with your visitor

from Tunis,'' (Arafat, who was then due to arrive in Stockholm) was hand-carreid to Sweden to prevent leaks.

The Shultz letter said that the United States would have no objection if Arafat added further declarations of his own, including an intention to have an independent Palestinian state.

The PLO responded, through the Swedish Foreign Ministry, that it would follow the Shultz formulation but would make some additions. While renouncing terrorism, the PLO would also denounce ''state terrorism,'' a reference to Israeli raids on PLO positions in southern Lebanon.

The PLO also persuaded Shultz to drop language that would call for an end ''to all forms of violence once the negotiations began,'' since the PLO convinced Shultz that it was incapable of stopping the intifada, or uprising in the Israeli-occupied terrirtories.

The book reports that Shultz even told the PLO of his planned answers at a news conference, announcing the start of the dialogue with the PLO. The plan, which was to plant some questions with friendly newsmen, did not work out, according to the book.

The U.S.-PLO dialogue, as outlined in the secret negotiations, began but not until there were several misfires, including a speech by Arafat in Geneva in which he failed to utter the required language. Finally in a news conference, Arafat spoke the necessary words and the the U.S.-PLO dialgoue was opened.

The talks were broken off this year after an attack on an Israeli beach by a group headed by one of the members of the PLO Central Committee.

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#90309u1712 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6000	up 125
Pioneer Elec	65 1/4	off 3 1/2
Lilly Eli wt	64 1/2	up 3
MCA Corp	61 3/4	up 3
Square D Co	47 7/8	up 2 7/8
Ohio Pwr pfE	88 3/4	up 2 7/8
Dreyfus Corp	25 3/4	up 2 3/4
Enron pf	211 7/8	up 2 3/4
Loews Corp	81 3/4	up 2 1/2
Am Intl Grp	69 3/8	up 2 1/2

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#90309u1720 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - The EPA, opening a new line of attack on water pollution, imposed sweeping new requirements Monday on cities and industry to develop programs for reducing contaminated runoff from streets, landfills, factories, and construction sites.

In the first government effort to address ''poison runoff,'' the Environmental Protection Agency issued regulations under which some 100, 000 industrial plants, 173 cities and 47 heavily populated counties will have to take steps to minimize pollutants that might be picked up by rainwater.

Under the program, cities and industry will have to obtain discharge permits from the EPA or state government for storm water sewers that collect runoff water from street drains and ultimately dump it into rivers and lakes.

In flowing down city streets and industrial sites into drains, runoff picks up grease, toxic metals, pesticide residues and larger debris that is not subject to any decontamination treatment before final discharge.

EPA and state officials say such ''non-point'' pollution - as opposed to wastewater discharges from specific effluent pipes - is the largest single cause of water contamination.

Environmentalists said the EPA's new regulatory program was a long overdue effort to address a little-noticed but massive contributor to water pollution.

''Poison runoff has been neglected for far too long,'' said Richard Cohn-Lee, a research expert on water contamination for the Natural Resources Defense Council. ''It's an insidious form of pollution that can produce the same deleterious effects as pollution coming from the end of a pipe.''

But while praising the EPA program as a good start, they criticized the agency for not requiring some specific pollution control measures.

EPA officials said they had not yet determined what cleanup steps would be required under the new program. They said the agency soon would issue a follow-up rule specifying what cities and industry would have to do to achieve the program's goal of cutting polluted runoff to the ''maximum extent practicable.''

In general, the discharge permits will call for city officials and businesses to submit plans to the EPA or state government outlining what pollution control initiatives they would take.

For cities, discharge permits likely will call for such measures as halting disposal of used oil in street drains, reducing grease and oil on roads and

parking lots, minimizing pesticide and fertilizer application and replacing road salt with less harmful de-icing substances.

Municipal officials also will focus on detecting and removing illegal connections in which businesses flush contaminated wastewater into storm water sewers.

Affected industries will be required to cover raw material storage areas now exposed to rainfall, take greater precautions to prevent chemical spills and plugging leaks in sewage and wastewater pipes.

The discharge permits must be obtained by all cities or urban counties with populations of 100,000 or more. EPA estimates it will cost a city between $50,000 and $75,000 to apply for a discharge permit.

A wide range of industries is covered, including paper, petrochemical, rubber, leather tanning, stone, clay, glass, concrete, metal and ship-building manufacturers.

Also included are toxic waste and municipal garbage landfills; junkyards and recycling facilities; sewage treatment plants handling more than 1 million gallons of wastewater a day; power plants, including coal handling sites; transportation facilities such as airports, bus and train depots; and construction sites of 5 acres or more.

A large number of other industries, ranging from food vendors to computer companies to drug manufacturers to cabinet makers, are affected if they have materials exposed to the elements.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austral	.000193	.000185	5194.00	5404.00
Australia dlr	.7821	.7790	1.2786	1.2837
Austria schill	.0951	.0948	10.52	10.55
Belgium franc-c	.0325	.0323	30.76	30.94
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0092	.0094	108.50	106.51
Britain pound	1.9755	1.9585	.5062	.5106
Britain 1-mo	1.9660	1.9488	.5086	.5131
Britain 3-mo	1.9490	1.9317	.5131	.5177

Britain 6-mo	1.9290	1.9106	.5184	.5234
Canada dollar	.8627	.8588	1.1592	1.1644
Canada 1-mo	.8598	.8558	1.1630	1.1685
Canada 3-mo	.8540	.8498	1.1710	1.1768
Canada 6-mo	.8460	.8419	1.1820	1.1878
Chile peso-f	.003314	.003342	301.77	299.19
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001876	.001879	532.98	532.14
Denmark krne	.1751	.1734	5.7115	5.7500
Ecudr sucre-z	.001182	.001182	846.30	846.30
Egypt pound	.3640	.3640	2.7474	2.7474
Finlnd mrkka	.2810	.2795	3.5590	3.5780
France franc	.2007	.1995	4.9815	5.0125
France 1-mo	.2004	.1992	4.9890	5.0201
France 3-mo	.1997	.1985	5.0082	5.0371
France 6-mo	.1966	.1975	5.0865	5.0623
Greece drach	.006684	.006623	149.61	150.98
Hollnd guildr	.5972	.5942	1.6746	1.6830
HongKong dlr	.1284	.1283	7.7893	7.7968
India rupee	.0556	.0557	17.99	17.95
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000539	1855.00	1856.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.8058	1.7835	0.5538	0.5607
Israel shekel	.5081	.5048	1.9680	1.9810
Italy lira	.000896	.000891	1116.00	1122.00
Japan yen	.007903	.007829	126.53	127.73
Japan 1-mo	.007909	.007830	126.44	127.72
Japan 3-mo	.007916	.007827	126.33	127.77
Japan 6-mo	.008033	.007827	124.48	127.76
Jordan dinar	1.6532	1.5579	.6049	.6419
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000344	.000344	2903.00	2903.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6126	.6095	1.6324	1.6407
Norway krne	.1716	.1704	5.8270	5.8700
Pakistn rupee	.0462	.0462	21.64	21.64
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	428,475	428,475
P'pnes peso-z	.0368	.0364	27.21	27.46
Portugl escud	.007691	.007581	130.02	131.91
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5889	.5862	1.6980	1.7060
S.Africa rand	.3986	.3955	2.5086	2.5286
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010715	.010589	93.33	94.44
Sweden krona	.1799	.1789	5.5590	5.5910
Switzrl franc	.8000	.7930	1.2500	1.2610
Switzrl 1-mo	.7996	.7927	1.2506	1.2615

Swirzrl 3-mo	.7990	.7923	1.2516	1.2622
Switzrl 6-mo	.7980	.7910	1.2532	1.2643
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0374	26.77	26.77
Turkey lira	.000366	.000365	2735.00	2738.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0204	.0204	49.00	49.00
Germany mark	.6734	.6698	1.4850	1.4930
Germany 1-mo	.6731	.6695	1.4857	1.4936
Germany 3-mo	.6720	.6684	1.4881	1.4960
Germany 6-mo	.6701	.6665	1.4923	1.5003
Yugosl dinar	.0982	.0972	10.18	10.29

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	340.76	up	4.31	330.80	448.02
Industrial	363.92	up	4.64	353.28	432.05
Finance	335.84	up	3.84	325.65	528.36
Insurance	401.84	up	4.79	382.86	538.27
Utility	464.20	up	6.86	453.84	719.10
Bank	240.83	up	3.24	238.16	431.52
Transport	387.19	up	4.12	376.39	467.25

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 149.60 up 2.00
Industrial Index 144.26 up 1.97
NASDAQ-100 Index 360.92 up 7.19

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Monday 360.92 up 7.19.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - The government today gave Americans the most detailed advice yet on healthful eating.

In its new edition of the Dietary Guidelines released today, the government recommends that Americans limit fats to 30 percent of their intake and be sure to eat grains, fruits and vegetables every day. Most Americans get about 37 percent of their calories from fat.

It's the first time since the government began issuing the guidelines in 1980 that it made specific suggestions on limiting fat or how much fruit and vegetables to eat each day.

The guidelines also recommend eating a variety of foods, maintaining a healthy weight, including plenty of fiber in meals, and using salt and sugar ''only in moderation.'' The guidelines conclude, ''If you drink alcoholic beverages, do so in moderation.''

The 1985 edition, for instance, simply said ''it is sensible to reduce daily consumption of fat'' but said there was disagreement over acceptable levels.

Some consumer groups hail the stronger language but say the government is NOT doing enough to turn its advice into reality.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	222.50	224.30	221.90	224.25	220.50
Mar	....	....	....	226.40	222.65
Jun	....	....	....	228.70	224.95

Previous day volume: 65 contracts.

Open interest: 1,274 up 9

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	314.00	316.60	312.70	315.40	313.20
Mar	316.35	318.95	315.40	317.95	315.75

Jun	319.35	321.70	318.50	320.90	318.85
Sep	....	324.25	321.50	323.70	321.60

Today's estimated volume: 47,572 contracts.
Open interest: 158,112 up 351
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	171.05	172.45	170.45	171.85	170.70
Mar	172.35	172.95	172.25	173.05	171.90
Jun	174.75	174.75	174.75	174.30	173.15

Open interest: 5,240 off 70
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	524.50	528.75	522.75	526.00	523.75
Dec	527.25	530.50	525.25	528.00	525.90
Jan	527.15	532.55	527.15	530.00	527.90

Estimated volume 2,578 contracts.
Open interest: 7,555 up 238

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	99,000,500
Advances	968
Declines	796
Unchanged	2,453
Total	4,217

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.23	up 0.17
10 Public Utils	91.17	up 0.13
10 Industrials	87.30	up 0.20

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	340.84	336.41	340.76	up 4.31
Industrial	364.15	359.92	363.92	up 4.64
Finance	335.85	332.71	335.84	up 3.84

Insurance	404.13	396.91	401.84	up 4.79
Utility	464.71	458.32	464.20	up 6.86
Bank	240.93	237.75	240.83	up 3.24
Transport	387.19	381.06	387.19	up 4.12

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	149.60 up 2.00
Industrial Index	144.26 up 1.97
NASDAQ-100 Index	360.92 up 7.19
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.75 up 0.11
Volume	80,900,200 shares
Advances	829
Declines	639
Unchanged	1,314
Total	2,782

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2488.37	2519.06	2472.77	2502.23	up 11.39
20 Trans	844.49	859.28	837.83	850.59	up 8.13
15 Utils	215.29	216.30	213.09	214.66	off 1.26
65 Stock	878.99	889.71	872.47	882.84	up 3.41

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	16,952,300	21,361,400
Trans	2,812,000	3,327,300
Utils	3,322,200	6,158,400
65 Stock	23,086,500	30,847,100

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.23	up 0.17
10 Public Utils	91.17	up 0.13
10 Industrials	87.30	up 0.20

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 127.02 off 0.81.

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#90309u1796 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - A Michigan prosecutor told the Supreme Court Monday that his state's law allowing a first-time drug offender to spend life in prison is not cruel and unusual punishment but a needed weapon if the nation is serious in its war on drugs.

But Carla Johnson, a court-appointed attorney defending one of more than 120 people sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole under Michigan's 1978 statute, said it has done nothing to curb the drug trade and has simply forced addicts and others in need of a fast buck to agree to transport drugs while traffickers themselves go free.

The law requires a sentence of life in prison without parole for anyone convicted of possessing more than 650 grams of cocaine, about 1 1/2 pounds. It does not distinguish between drug traffickers with long criminal pasts and first-time offenders found simply carrying the drugs.

In other states and under federal guidelines, the same offense if possession of 650 grams of cocaine generally would call for a sentence of up to 10 years in prison.

''Michigan is way out of line with every other state in the union,'' said Johnson in asking the high court to reverse a decision of the Michigan Court of Appeals upholding the sentence.

But Justice Anthony Kennedy said if the drug trade is continuing to flourish in Michigan, maybe even stricter penalties are needed to deter the crime.

''What are you going to do next, cut their arms off?'' asked Johnson.

The exchange took place during hour-long oral arguments in the case of Ronald Harmelin, 45, sentenced three years ago under the statute for possessing 672 grams of cocaine. He claims the statute violates the Eighth Amendment prohibition against cruel and unusual punishment.

Johnson said any sentence of life in prison without parole for a crime other than murder that does not allow a judge to consider mitigating circumstances is illegal.

''Mandatory life in prison with no chance of parole is death in prison,'' argued Johnson. ''It's qualitatively different'' from other sentences that would allow for parole.

Johnson said the law violates the court's own 1983 guidelines for determining if a sentence violates the Eighth Amendment. One of the guidelines was proportionality with other jurisdictions.

Richard Thompson, prosecuting attorney for Oakland County, Mich., said the law does not violate those standards, although he is asking the court to overturn its 1983 decision in addition to upholding the Michigan law.

''We have the toughest penalties,'' he said. ''(That) doesn't mean it's grossly disproportionate.''

Some of the justices seemed to indicate problems with being asked to overrule the Michigan legislature.

Justice Antonin Scalia said Michigan lawmakers could retroactively decide to lower sentences.

''We could wait several years and see if the Michigan legislature really thinks this thing works,'' he said.

He also equated a life prison term for a 20-year-old to a ''20-year- term for a 70-year-old'' who would not be expected to live through his prison term, and wondered if that, too, could be considered unconstitutional.

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor said the court has made it ''reasonably clear'' that outside death penalties, mandatory sentencing was allowed.

She also said while the Michigan statute does not give judges sentencing discretion, it allows a prosecutor to charge a lesser offense, thus providing ''prosecutorial discretion.''

And the governor would retain the power to commute a sentence.

''There are checks and balances,'' said Thompson.

But Justice John Paul Stevens mocked the idea that ''prosecutorial discretion'' can be used to defend the statute.

''I find it amazing that you defend the law on the grounds the prosecutor might ignore it,'' Stevens told Thompson.

Justice David Souter asked Thompson if the 650 gram cutoff was a ''surrogate way of identifying a dealer.''

''Yes, your honor,'' replied Thompson, explaining that the law draws no distinction between a drug dealer and a drug possessor as far as sentencing is concerned.

''If you have 650 grams of cocaine that is not for personal use,'' said Thompson.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.92	8.02	8.74
91-day Treasury bills	7.30	7.31	7.87
182-day Treasury bills	7.39	7.39	7.72
1-year Treasury bills	7.33	7.32	7.50
3-year Treasury notes	7.79	7.84	8.07
7-year Treasury notes	8.35	8.42	8.00
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.63	8.69	7.97
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.20	9.20	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.75	9.85	9.11
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.07	9.21	9.01
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.40	9.37	8.95
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.41	9.46	9.20
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.40	9.44	9.18

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Stocks closed higher in light trading Monday, as financial issues again led an advance pinned to hopes that interest rates will come down soon and give the economy a boost.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which jumped 35.89 Friday, rose another 11.39 to close at 2502.33.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index added 1.42 to 171.49 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 2.74 to 314.59. The price of an average share rose 24 cents.

Advances outpaced declines, 1,025-545, among the 1,995 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to 147,510,000 shares, down from the 168,691,370 traded Friday.

Analysts said continued optimism about the outlook for U.S. interest

ratessparked carryover buying from Friday, when a rosier rate scenario emerging after the most recent evidence of economic weakness fueled a rally.

They cited a strong feeling among traders the Federal Reserve would soon have to cut interest rates further to keep the economy from becoming dangerously weak after U.S. employment data for October was released Friday. The report showed a surprisingly large drop in jobs.

With wide expectations the Fed would loosen credit policy, gains in financial and other rate-sensitive issues - which took a beating in the market's recent decline and which would benefit greatly from easier credit - set the pace for the advance Monday.

"I think a lot of hopes are pinned on lower rates," said Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King & Associates in Albany, N.Y. He noted that some of Monday's advance also reflected buyers stepping in and "participating off the rally on Friday," including "a little more institutional participation."

Doran said lower oil prices generated a little activity. Crude oil closed down $2.04 to $31.96 a barrel. There were few substantive developments in the Persian Gulf crisis to influence Monday's trading of the commodity.

But the main concern now, he said, is the domestic economic outlook and the resulting and optimism that the Fed will have to step in to pump it up. "That's where the hope lies, in lower rates and (in) that maybe we can get the economy moving again," said Doran.

"But it's going to be a long process and, in any rally, people will be taking advantage and lightening up (selling) in the groups that they want to. We'll take an up day today, though."

On the trading floor, C&S-Sovran was the most active issue, up 1/8 to 16, a reflection of the general strength among banks and other issues sensitive to interest rates.

Mortgage investor Fannie Mae followed, up 7/8 to 30 1/8. Philip Morris was third, up 5/8 to 49.

Citicorp was next, down 1/4 to 12 3/8, after Standard & Poor's lowered the bank holding company's senior debt rating. BankAmerica was also active, jumping 1 1/2 to 21 7/8.

Among other blue chips, AT&T rose 1/2 to 35 1/4, IBM added 3/4 to 107 7/8, General Electric gained 7/8 to 53 7/8, and Woolworth jumped 1 1/8 to 27 1/8.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 185,399,280 shares, down from

204,465,250 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices gained in light trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index rose 1.60 to 291.58. Advances led declines 288-270 among the 794 issues traded. The price of an average share added six cents. Composite volume totaled 10,663,000 shares vs. 11,197,345 traded Friday. Continental Air led the Amex issues, up 1/8 to 2 3/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index gained 4.31 to 340.76.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	126	21	11
New lows	244	94	176

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	989	99,019,200
Declines	571	32,211,600
Unchanged	433	26,179,200
Total	1,993	147,510,000

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(NOV. 5) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	38
New lows	124

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	287	4,917,300
Declines	269	2,352,200
Unchanged	237	1,560,500
Total	793	8,830,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.

Composite	171.49	170.10	171.49	up	1.42
Industrial	211.96	210.54	211.96	up	1.92
Transport	131.71	131.24	131.71	up	1.32
Utility	90.52	90.09	90.44	off	0.19
Finance	111.00	110.12	111.00	up	2.10

Equivalent to a gain of 24 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 147,510,000 shares.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - High-ranking State Department diplomat Felix Bloch was fired today from his 80-thousand-dollar-a-year-job. Bloch is suspected of illegal contacts with Soviet espionage agents. Bloch was deputy chief of mission at the U-S Embassy in Vienna.

The State Department today accused Iraq of playing a cruel game of cat and mouse with the lives of American hostages. Officials cite telephone calls and statements from some hostages reporting humane treatment while others reported hardships and deprivation.

Former German Chancellor Willy Brandt headed to Baghdad today to seek the release of more foreign hostages, despite protests by Britain, Belgium and Holland. Brandt's visit to the Iraqi capital comes amid claims he's already received guarantees that hundreds of captives will be freed.

In New York, authorities have arrested eight people in a fatal Halloween rampage by a masked gang that attacked homeless people on a desolate island off Manhattan. Police say the assailants shouted ''trick or treat'' before setting upon their victims.

Volvo Cars of North America has agreed to pull ads showing its automobiles standing up to a ''Monster Truck'' during a car crushing ''exhibition.'' The automaker admits the ads were staged with reinforced Volvos.

The Soviet Union today announced a record grain harvest. The government said the 1990 harvest was 240 Million tons, eclipsing the record 237 Million of 1978. But it says it caN'T get the bumper crop in from the farm for worthless rubles.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Suspended				
Calprop Corp				
Stock				
California Energy Co	..	4PC	1-17	12-17
Increased				
Atlanta Gas Light Co	Q	.51	12-1	x-11-16
Workingmens Captl Hldg	Q	.10	12-31	12-14
Usual				
BankAmerica Corp	Q	.25	12-10	11-23
Intl Aluminum Corp	Q	.25	1-10	12-20
Jefferson-Pilot Corp	Q	.38	12-7	11-16
Lockheed Corp	Q	.45	12-3	11-19
OEA Inc	..	.25	12-14	11-30
Protective Life Corp	Q	.19	12-1	11-16
Suburban Bancorp cl-A	Q	.077	12-15	12-1
Suburban Bancorp cl-B	Q	.07	12-15	12-1
Synovus Financial Corp	Q	.09 1/2	1-2	12-21
Torchmark Corp	Q	.35	2-1	1-10

x-Company corrected record date.

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-annual

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ST. LOUIS (NOV. 5) UPI - An Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union strike at two Rawlings Sporting Goods Co. plants in Missouri continued Monday, two days after workers walked out in a dispute over contract negotiations.

About 600 workers walked out of the plants in Licking and Ava on Saturday after voting to strike because of alleged unfair labor practices by Rawlings during final negotiating sessions for a new three- year cotract. The employees have worked without a contract the last five months.

''We are on strike to force the company to bargain in good faith, something it has been either unwilling or unable to do for over five months,'' said Joan Suarez, southwest regional director of ACTWU.

Suarez said the union was prepared to resume negotiations ''as soon as Rawlings is willing to bargain in a serious and legal manner.''

The employees and the union formally charged the company with bad faith

bargaining and are awaiting the issuance of a complaint by the National Labor Relations Board.

Rawlings, a division of Figgie International Inc., is based in St. Louis. The company manufactures baseball gloves and uniforms for professional teams, official National Collegiate Athletic Association basketballs and footballs, and other sports equipment.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - Hundreds of thousands of poor students could be deprived of getting an education at trade and technical schools, community colleges and four-year universities under provisions in the budget plan that will become law with President Bush's signature, educators say.

The five-year, $490 billion deficit reduction package, passed by Congress on Oct. 27, slices some $1.7 billion out of the most popular federal student loan program by creating rigid restrictions aimed at educational institutions whose students have high loan default rates.

For the next two years, any school with a default rate of above 35 percent will be barred from all federal student loan programs, with the default rate cutoff dropping to 30 percent for 1993 and beyond. Historically black colleges and Indian community colleges are exempt until 1994.

The congressional action was spurred by concern over high default rates at some educational institutions, from trade schools to major universities, and over several instances of flagrant fraud and waste by disreputable schools.

About 300,000 students nationwide will lose their eligibility for guaranteed federal student loans, 50,000 coming from traditional four- year colleges and community colleges, according to the National Association of Trade and Technical Schools.

Stephen Blair, the association's president, predicted that about 10 percent of the nation's approximately 4,000 trade schools, particularly those located in inner-city areas, could be forced to close because of financial losses caused by the loan rollback due to high default rates.

''It's going to have a substantial impact upon poor folks,'' said Blair, whose organization represents some 1,300 schools, including those specializing in automotive and diesel repair, cosmetology and medical services.

Blair said high default rates are less a function of mismanaged schools than what population receives loans, saying high default rates usually are produced by schools with greater enrollments of poor students.

''Yes, there have been abuses,'' Blair said. ''Yes, there have been some terrible scams committed by (technical and trade) school people. But what you're talking about is probably one-half of 1 percent that have engaged in fraud and abuse.''

He added: ''It is so much easier to make budget cuts when you believe that you are eraticating fraud and abuse. The simple truth is you're cutting out poor people and feeling OK about it.''

Other loan restrictions in the budget include requiring student-loan applicants without high school diplomas or equivalency degrees to pass an independently administered standardized test in order to receive the loan and delaying disbursement of loan money for 30 days for first-time borrowers.

The American Council on Education, an umbrella group representing colleges and universities nationwide, said it is too early to estimate the impact of the new loan policies on American higher education, particularly the traditional four-year institutions.

Pat Smith, the group's director of legislative analysis, said about 3 percent of the approximately 3,500 community colleges and four-year colleges and universities have default rates above 35 percent.

''You're not looking a huge numbers of schools,'' Smith said. ''This (policy of loan restrictions) wouldn't have been our choice. But, on the other hand, it doesn't look disastrous.''

Melanie Jackson, a lobbyist for the Association of Community College Trustees, which represents about 1,000 public community colleges across the country, said the impact on two-year community colleges is likely to be muted by the fact that only about 6 percent of the approximately 5 million who study at community colleges receive federal student loans.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - In a move to further expand its global trading capabilities, the American Stock Exchange Monday opened a market in put warrants on the CAC-40 Index of the Paris Bourse, an index of 40 blue- chip French stocks.

Societe Generale is the issuing company.

Trading under the ticker symbol SGG.WS, the new warrants opened at 2 3/4 on 10,000 warrants.

''Investors now have an opportunity both to hedge existing investments in the French equity marketplace and to follow its different moves through the

trading of the CAC-40 warrants,'' AMEX chairman James R. Jones said.

''Societe Generale, the fifth largest bank in France, provides the ideal expertise in the French marketplace,'' Jones added.

Two weeks ago, the Paris Bourse began trading warrants on Amex's Major Market Index, an index that closely tracks the Dow Jones Industrial Average. The Bourse expects to list additional warrants on that index in the ''near future '' the Amex said.

At the opening of the new warrants on the Amex floor, Pierre Barcelo, head of new listings at the Paris Bourse, said: ''We are very excited about our new relationship with the Amex. This is the first time that out CAC-40 index is being traded in the U.S. marketplace and we hope to continue this relationship with the Amex and other U.S. marketplaces.''

Since 1990, the Amex began trading warrants on the Nikkei Stock Average, the blue-chip index of the Tokyo stock market; warrants on the Financial Times-Stock Exchange 100 index, the principal index of the London market; and options on the Japan Index developed by the Amex, which closely follows the Tokyo market.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - Former junk-bond king Michael Milken is expected to be sentenced next week, a clerk for U.S. District Court Judge Kimba Wood said Monday.

Milken faces a maximum jail term of 28 years after pleading guilty in April to six counts of securities fraud.

The former chief of Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc.'s junk-bond department has already agreed to pay $200 million in fines and $400 million in restitution to victims as part of his plea agreement.

The sentencing follows a two-week ''Fatico'' hearing, which ended Oct. 26, ordered by Wood to determine if Milken had commited other crimes besides those he has already admitted to.

At the hearing, prosecutors argued that Milken had been involved in a wide-ranging conspiracy to manipulate the financial markets, including bribing corporate executives and trading on insider information.

Milken's lawyers, however, claimed that their client had ''crossed the line'' only in a few isolated cases in an effort to help Drexel customers.

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DETROIT (NOV. 5) UPI - Following are the monthly and ten-day sales figures for carsand light-duty trucks among the nation's domestic automakers:

OCTOBER U.S. CAR SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Year ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	266,046	230,150	up 11.3 pc
Ford	162,326	158,860	off 1.6 pc
Chrysler	81,250	73,607	up 6.3 pc
Honda	36,232	30,717	up 13.6 pc
Nissan	10,541	8,243	up 23.0 pc
Toyota	29,936	16,656	up 73.0 pc
Mazda	5,392	2,179	up 138.1 pc
Mitsubishi	3,835	3,754	off 1.4 pc
SIA	1,279	---	
Total	596,837	524,166	up 9.6 pc

OCTOBER U.S. LIGHT TRUCK SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Year ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	123,223	113,874	up 4.2 pc
Ford	109,145	105,335	off 0.2 pc
Chrysler	62,207	72,255	off 17.1 pc
Nissan	10,157	8,518	up 14.6 pc
SIA	2,258	---	
Mazda	927	---	
Suzuki	238	---	
Total	308,155	299,982	off 1.2 pc

OCT. 21-31 U.S. CAR SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Yr ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	96,435	91,869	up 5.0 pc
Ford	61,779	54,510	up 13.3 pc
Chrysler	31,435	28,550	up 10.1 pc
Honda	14,882	15,605	off 4.6 pc
Nissan	5,472	3,773	up 45.1 pc
Toyota	14,970	7,809	up 91.6 pc
Mazda	2,515	1,129	up 123.2 pc
Mitsubishi	1,532	1,548	off 1.2 pc
SIA	576	---	
Total	229,596	204,793	up 12.1 pc

OCT. 21-31 U.S. LIGHT TRUCK SALES

Firm	Latest Per	Yr ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	47,226	46,779	up 1.0 pc
Ford	42,386	39,800	up 6.5 pc
Chrysler	26,818	29,210	off 8.2 pc
Nissan	4,815	4,285	up 12.4 pc

SIA	1,259	---		
Mazda	412	---		
Suzuki	238	---		
Total	123,154	120,074	up	2.6 pc

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	9.22	9.89
Anchor Fund Inv	14.26	15.13
Delaware Mutual	16.55	17.75
Fidelity Fund	16.05	NL
Investor Mutual	10.66	11.22
Investor Stocks	17.80	18.74
Investor Select	8.33	8.77
IDS Equity Plus	8.62	9.08
MFS Growth Stk	7.83	8.44
Nicholas Income	3.03	NL
Utd Accumulated	6.01	6.57
United Income	16.09	17.58
Vang Wellington	15.80	NL

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 5) UPI - Outfielder Candy Maldonado, who rebounded from a terrible 1989 season to hit .273 with 22 homers and 95 runs batted in last year, Monday was named UPI's American League Comeback Player of the Year.

Maldonado, who earned $900,000 in 1989, generated little interest as a free agent last winter, finally reluctantly agreeing to sign a one- year deal with a Cleveland team that has been unable to attract top quality free agents.

This year figures to be very different for the 30-year-old right- handed hitting native of Puerto Rico. One publication said Maldonado could expect to more than double his salary on the free agent market.

''I never had any doubts in my mind that I could play,'' Maldonado said. ''I learned from my mistakes, I learned from the struggles, I learned from that year (1989) that not every dream that you want comes true, especially with this game.

''All the goals that you establish for yourself, they don't happen. It teaches you a lot because I learned more about life and more about a lot of things

that are more important than just baseball.''

Maldonado hit .217 with San Francisco in 1988 with nine home runs and 41 RBIs. In Cleveland, he was reunited with batting coach Jose Morales, who coached him during his best seasons with the Giants, and Maldonado responded with his best major league season.

His totals in home runs, average and RBIs are career highs, as were his 32 doubles, 590 at bats, 155 games, 134 strikeouts and 49 walks.

''He's like a daddy to me,'' Maldonado said of Morales. ''I can't explain it, don't ask me why, I've never been able to come up with the answer, but it seems like every time we work together good things happen. Even in my worst year, it was a year I drove in 68 runs and hit (.255).

''I know that year I was kind of hurt a little bit, but there was that production. There was that push. (Morales is a) guy that talks to you as a father and as a coach and as a great friend.''

Maldonado does not rule out staying in Cleveland, but he is angry about the Indians' decision not to negotiate with him during the year while they tried to sign pitcher Bud Black to a new contract.

''This is the first time I've been able to be in the driver's seat,'' he said. ''It's not my fault that the market out there is sky high, it's not my fault that players are getting more money than they maybe really deserve. After eight years in the big leagues, this is my one chance.

''It feels great, but I'm not thinking about that. It's something that's going to happen sooner or later. I'm more relaxed. If there was one time I had to be worried it was last year, and I never had any doubts.''

Obviously, Maldonado wants to make the most of his opportunity to strike it rich. But he also wants to make sure he never falls as low as he was after the 1989 season, when the only team interested in him was the Cleveland Indians.

''When you're in that hole, you don't ever want to fall in that hole again,'' Maldonado said.

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#90309u1939 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 5) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 430.81, up 1.19 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90309u1974 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
CLEVELAND (NOV. 5) UPI - A financial planning expert recommends high-income individuals to change their normal year-end planning because of changes in tax laws.

''Many upper-income taxpayers with taxable income beyond the bubble are at the 28 percent rate and should consider accelerating income into 1990,'' said Charles Kowal of Ernst & Young's Cleveland office.

''Those with income likely to stay under $185,000 on a joint return and $109,000 if single with no other dependents should follow traditional year-end planning principles - deferring income to next year.''

Kowal said tax changes among the most significant for planning purposes are an increase to 31 percent for the top tax rate, a limit on itemized deductions for taxpayers with adjusted gross income of more than $100,000, and the phase-out of personal exemptions for those with adjusted gross incomes of more than $150,000 for joint returns and $100, 000 for single returns.

He also noted the new 10 percent tax on purchases of luxury items and the 28 percent maximum capital gains rate for those now in the 33 percent tax bracket.

''Considering the size of the budget deficit, tax rates could continue to increase in future years, particularly for upper-income taxpayers,'' Kowal said.

Kowal suggested that high income individuals look at ways to accelerate income such as investing money in securities that pay interest before the end of the year.

''This also will keep their income base as low as possible next year and thereby minimizes the potential loss of their itemized deductions,'' Kowal said. ''From a tax perspective, this is not the traditional thing to do, but the new tax agreement makes it worth considering.''

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#90309u1988 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 5) UPI - The exiled Emir of Kuwait today told Secretary of State Baker he wants quick military action to end the three-month-old Iraqi occupation of his homeland. Baker says the Persian Gulf crisis has entered a new phase and that the United States is NOT ruling out any option. Baker arrived in Saudi Arabia today on a eight-nation tour to discuss possible military action in the Gulf.

British politicians are advising the wives of 10 British hostages to ''keep a

stiff upper lip'' when they travel to Baghdad this week to plead for the release of their husbands. Saddam Hussein last week invited relatives of hostages to come to Iraq to see their loved ones being held as human shields against a U-S-led attack. The 10 wives say they plan to accept the offer of visas and hope to meet with Saddam personally.

NASA officials say there's NO indication that a widespread drug problem exists at the Kennedy Space Center. Forrest McCartney, director of the Kennedy Space Center, says the small package containing about of one gram of cocaine found in a space shuttle hangar Friday probably belonged to one individual. McCartney also says there's NO evidence that drugs were involved in any of a number of embarrassing mishaps and accidents at the spaceport earlier this year.

The Supreme Court today refused to review an appeal filed by the father of late University of Maryland basketball star Len Bias. The U-S Circuit Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia ruled the basketball player's agent was NOT liable for failing to obtain a one- Million-dollar life insurance policy or lucrative endorsement before the star died of a cocaine-induced coma after an all-night dorm party in 1986. Bias had just been drafted by the Boston Celtics as the second N- B-A pick. The Washington Circuit Court ruled the Bias family was NOT entitled to any of the money their son might have made had he lived.

Educators say new federal loan restrictions contained in the budget plan Congress sent to President Bush could deprive hundreds of thousands of poor students of a college education. The deficit reduction package slices some one-point-seven-BILLION dollars out of the most popular federal student loan program by creating rigid restrictions. The provisions are aimed at trade and technical schools, community colleges and even four-year universities whose students have high loan default rates.

The Environmental Protection Agency today opened a new line of attack on water pollution. The E-P-A imposed sweeping new requirements on cities and industry to develop programs for reducing contaminated runoff from streets, landfills, factories and construction sites. Under the regulations, some 100-thousand industrial plants, 173 cities and 47 heavily populated counties will have to take steps to minimize pollutants that might be picked up by rainwater.

History will be made in Alaska tomorrow regardless of who wins the governor's race. Democrat Tom Knowles' running mate, Willie Hensley, could become the first Eskimo to win a statewide election in Alaska. But the Republicans are aiming for a first, too. G-O-P candidate Arliss Sturgulewski could become Alaska's first woman governor. And if breakaway Republican Wally Hickel is elected, he would be the state's first independent to become governor.

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska (NOV. 5) UPI - Marijuana supporters demonstrated Monday to keep pot legal in Alaska amid growing signs that voters are ready to outlaw the drug after 15 years of legal tolerance.

Several dozen protestors chanted and waved signs in sub-freezing temperatures during the noon demonstration in front of the Federal Building and then paraded along downtown streets exhorting voters to maintain the status quo by voting down a Tuesday ballot measure to recriminalize marijuana.

Pollster David Dittman predicted voters would outlaw marijuana by a 2-to-1 ratio in the only state where it is legal. Both sides have been working to win votes in the final days before the election.

Demonstrators put the drug war slogan - ''Just Say No'' - on signs urging people to vote no on Proposition 2, the initiative to make possession of marijuana a crime punishable by up to 90 days in jail.

Protesters even planted a campaign sign across the street from the Federal Building in front of the Fire Department.

An occasional whiff of marijuana smoke could be detected in the air, but authorities ignored the demonstrators.

The small rally included pro-marijuana activists from several groups outside Alaska - the National Organization for Reform of Marijuana Laws, Help Eliminate Marijuana Prohibition (HEMP) and Freedom Fighters.

The battle to keep marijuana legal in Alaska has been led by Alaskans for Privacy, headed by the lawyer who got Alaska's marijuana law thrown out 15 years ago, but that group was not part of Monday's demonstration.

The state Supreme Court ruled in 1975 that Alaska's constitutional right to privacy protected adults using marijuana at home from police action.

Demonstrators distributed leaflets quoting from the opinion by Justice Jay Rabinowitz: ''Our territory and now state has traditionally been the home of people who prize their individuality and who have chosen to settle or continue living here in order to achieve a measure of control over their own lifestyles which is now virtually unobtainable in many of our sister states.''

''Turning people into criminals is not going to solve the drug problem,'' speaker Richard Ziegler told the group. ''We have a drug problem in America, but it's not marijuana. We don't want heroin up here. We don't want cocaine up here.''

''The No. 1 drug problem in Alaska is alcohol,'' said Talyne Belka.

Outlawing marijuana will worsen the alcohol problems, said Dawn Montiel.

Ziegler said he doesn't like to drink, but said, ''I like an occasional joint in my home once in a while.''

He called it discriminatory to allow public drinking but outlaw private marijuana smoking.

Alaska permits adults to have up to 4 ounces of marijuana at home, but passage of Proposition 2 would outlaw possession of any amount.

''Small amounts of marijuana in private ought to allowed,'' said Steve Seiff, a Boulder, Colo., resident who identified himself as a member of the pro-pot group Freedom Fighters, which called on its members to go to Alaska to campaign to keep cannabis legal. He said, ''Marijuana's relatively innocuous.''

''Keep it legal,'' shouted Mark Sailors of Baltimore, adding, ''I don't want to go to jail. I don't do anything wrong. I just smoke pot.''

''Authoritarian type people are extremely determined and get whipped up by politicians and will get out and vote for this proposition,'' said Terry Mitchell, a Washington, D.C. Freedom Fighters activist who organized the rally.

''Self-control, not state control,'' read one sign. ''Prohibition only helps the dealer,'' said another. ''Vote for freedom. Vote for privacy,'' yet another sign said.

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BEIRUT, Lebanon (NOV. 5) UPI - Rival Shiite militias in Lebanon signed an agreement in Damascus to end their bloody three-year struggle, the Syiran-Iranian Higher Committee announced Monday.

Damascus radio said the agreement between pro-Syrian Amal militia and Iranian-backed Hezbollah was aimed at ending the dispute to control Lebanon's Shiite community and promote measures by the Lebanese government to extend its authority over all Lebanese territory.

The broadcast said the five-point agreement, effective Nov. 10, was signed by Amal chief Nabih Berri and Sheikh Subhi Tufaili, secretary- general of Hezbollah. Syrian and Iranian foreign ministers Farouk Sharaa and Ali Akbar Velayati witnessed the signing.

Amal and Hezbollah have been locked in a fierce struggle to control Lebanon's 1.5 million Shiites, the country's largest sect.

More than 1,000 people have been killed and thousands others wounded or

displaced in the feud that first erupted in the southern suburbs of Beirut then expanded to the Iklim Al Tuffah region, east of the port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of the capital.

Many attempts by Damascus and Tehran have failed in the past to halt Amal-Hezbollah fighting.

A Syrian-Iranian engineered accord was signed in 1988 in Damascus to settle the inter-Shiite war but often was violated.

The new agreement obliges the parties to abide by the Damascus accord of 1988 regarding the implementation of a cease-fire and the withdrawal of militiamen from positions they have captured in Iklim Al Tuffah.

Disputes between the parties will be settled by a joint Syrian- Iranian committee headed by Syria's chief of intelligence in Lebanon, Brigadier Ghazi Kanaan, and Iran's ambassador in Damascus, Hassan Akhtari.

The agreement stipulated that both parties facilitate the deployment of Lebanese troops in any part of the country including Iklim Al Tuffah.

Following a series of meetings with Syrian and Iranian officials in Lebanon, Amal and Hezbollah agreed last Tuesday on a ''complete and comprehensive cease-fire.''

The Syrian-Iranian Higher Committee headed by Syrian Vice President Abdel Halim Khaddam and his Iranian counterpart, Hassan Habibi, has been meeting in Damascus since Saturday to discuss the gulf crisis, Lebanon and issues of mutual interest.

It was the first meeting since the committee was formed last September during Syrian President Hafez Assad's visit to Tehran.

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BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA (NOV. 5) UPI - The nation's cost of living increased 7.7 percent in October, according to official figures released Monday by the National Institute of Statistics and Census.

The October rate was the first to come in at single digits in 11 months. The November 1989 inflation rate was 6.5 percent.

Prices in the last 12 months rose 1,199.1 percent, the institute said.

In September, the cost of living climbed 15.7 percent.

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#90309u2068 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
WACO, Texas (NOV. 5) UPI - President Bush wound up the 1990 political season trying to exact revenge on Ann Richards, the shrill-voiced Texas state treasurer who held him up to public ridicule at the 1988 Democratic Convention.

''Where's George? Right here! Right here in Waco, Texas, supporting ... Clayton Williams,'' Bush told a GOP rally of several hundred people in Richards' hometown in central Texas.

Williams is Richards' Republican foe in Tuesday's Texas gubernatorial election. Polls show the tough-and-tumble race to be a tossup.

The president devoted the entire day to campaigning in his adopted homestate of Texas for the GOP ticket headed by Williams and Sen. Phil Gramm, who is expected to win re-election by a wide margin.

Winding up a six-day, cross-country political trek for fellow Republicans, Bush made campaign stops in Tyler, Waco and Houston.

''You know the story about Claytie,'' Bush, speaking at a flag-waving rally at Tyler Junior College, said of the flamboyant millionaire rancher and oilman. ''He's a Texas original. (A) straight-shooter who will do what needs to be done.''

The entire House, a third of the Senate and 36 gubernatorial seats will be decided in Tuesday's election, and the president would take special delight in seeing Williams defeat Richards, Bush's own longtime nemesis.

Richards drew knee-slapping laughter at the Democratic National Convention in San Francisco when she described Bush, then a Republican presidential candidate, as a stumbling aristocrat.

''He can't help it. He was born with a silver foot in his mouth,'' Richards declared from the podium.

Bush, speaking in Waco, said, ''I'm sorry I'm a little late. Claytie and I both set off the metal detectors with our silver feet.''

The crowd roared.

The president also made a crack about Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., who repeatedly invoked the line, ''Where's George,'' at the 1988 Democratic convention. Bush sarcastically called the liberal senator ''that last bastion of democracy,'' drawing more applause and laughter.

Bush made no reference to Richards by name, but said repeatedly, ''I want a governor in Texas I can work with.''

Just a few months ago, Williams enjoyed a seemingly safe, double- digit lead over Richards. But latest polls show his margin down to precarious few percentage points.

Much of the decline can be traced to Williams sticking his foot in his mouth. Like the time he received headlines by joking that rape was like the weather because ''if it's inevitable, just relax and enjoy it.''

The president's own polls have dropped due in large part to the new tax-raising, deficit cutting budget that he arranged to sign late Monday.

Administration official said they don't believe the election eve signing would have any impact on the election, but as Bush arrived in Tyler it was on the mind of at least one demonstrator who held up a sign reading ''Read my Lips, no new taxes,'' a reminder of Bush's broken 1988 ''reminder of Bush

During the past five days, the president made campaign visits to a total of eight states - Massachusetts, Florida, Ohio, Minnesota, Iowa, California, New Mexico and Texas.

A year ago, with the nationwide approval rating hovering near 80 percent, the White House saw Tuesday's election as a chance to gain some seats in the Democrat-controlled Congress.

But now the administration concedes it will likely lose at least a few seats, but insists that the election won't be a referendum on the Bush presidency. However, the election will go a long way toward setting the political landscape for 1992, when Bush will be up for re-election.

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DETROIT (NOV. 5) UPI - General Motors Corp.'s board of directors said Monday the current dividends on all three classes of stock will be maintained in the fourth quarter.

The payout on GM's $1-2/3 par value common stock will stay at 75 cents a share while dividends on Class E stock, representing subsidiary Electronic Data Systems, will hold at 14 cents and on Class H stock, covering the GM Hughes Electronics Corp. unit, at 18 cents a share.

All three dividends are payable Dec. 10 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 15, the giant automaker said.

The payout on GM's $1-2/3 par value dividend has remained at its current level since the first quarter of 1989. Current levels on GM's Class E and Class H stock were established during the first quarter of 1990.

Last week, GM posted a $2 billion loss for the third quarter of 1990, taking a $2.1 billion writeoff to formally close four idled assembly plants and either close or consolidate several more facilities by 1993.

The loss was the largest for any quarter in automotive history.

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DETROIT (NOV. 5) UPI - General Motors Corp. announced Monday the appointment of Richard F. O'Brien as company vice president in charge of the automaker's Industrial Relations Staff.

O'Brien, 46, succeeds Alfred S. Warren Jr., who for more than a decade headed four rounds of GM's negotiations with the United Auto Workers union, including the most recent one that ended last month.

Warren, 64, was named vice president in charge of Strategic Labor Issues until he retires in April.

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MELBOURNE, Fla. (NOV. 5) UPI - Harris Corp. said Monday it won a $40 million contract from the U.S. Army Communications Electronics Command at Fort Monmouth, N.J., for the development and production prove out of a new portable communications system for use by special operations forces.

The company said its government communication systems division in Melbourne will serve as the prime contractor on the program for the advanced radio system.

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OAK BROOK, Ill. (NOV. 5) UPI - Waste Management Inc. Monday announced a $19.5 million settlement of a 1987 class-action antitrust suit brought by Cumberland Farms Inc.

The company said Cumberland Farms and other plaintiffs in the class action agreed it was uncertain they could win a judgment on their contention of a broad antitrust conspiracy by Waste Management and Houston-based Browning-Ferris Industries Inc., another company involved in waste disposal that was named as co-defendant in the suit.

In the settlement, the plaintiffs agreed to limit the settlement fund provided by Waste Management to 13 markets where prior antitrust investigations had

been concluded. All other claims would be dismissed.

Browning-Ferris also concluded a settlement with the planitiffs.

Notice of the settlements were mailed Monday to potential parties to the class action following preliminary approval of the settlements by the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

''On one hand, the plaintiffs acknowledged, after extensive discovery, that there clearly was uncertainty whether they could prevail in court with their class action. On the other hand, however, we acknowledged there could have been further civil exposure in those 13 markets,'' said J. Steven Bergerson, Waste Management vice president and general counsel.

''We have maintained from the very beginning of this litigation back in 1987 that no broad conspiracy ever existed. We decided to settle the case primarily to protect the company against suits arising from old investigations concluded long ago and to spare the company the high cost of continued civil litigation '' Bergerson said.

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(NOV. 5) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker says the United States still seeks a diplomatic solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. But he says the Bush administration is NOT ruling out other options. Baker today met with the exiled emir of Kuwait, who called for swift military action to free his country from Iraq. Cairo Radio says Baker is expected to discuss with Saudi leaders a possible timetable to oust Saddam Hussein from Kuwait.

The State Department fired accused spy Felix Bloch on national security grounds today. Secretary of State Baker took the action after Bloch received a hearing and a board of appeals review following charges he had illegal contacts with Soviet agents while he was deputy chief of mission at the American Embassy in Vienna. NOTHING was ever proven against Bloch and he was suspended after he refused to testify formally about his activities. Block had remained on the government payroll making 80-thousand dollars a year.

The Supreme Court heard arguments today on Michigan's tough mandatory drug sentencing law. A state prosecutor told the justices that a law ordering mandatory life in prison without parole for anyone convicted of possessing more than 650 grams of cocaine or heroin does NOT constitute cruel and unusual punishment. But court-appointed defense lawyer Carla Johnson says the 1978 statue has done NOTHING to curb the drug trade. More than 120 people are serving life in Michigan prisons for drug offenses without the possiblity of parole.

President Bush made appearances on behalf of Republican gubernatorial

candidate Clayton Williams in Tyler, Waco and Houston, Texas, today. The president and Mrs. Bush plan to vote in Houston tomorrow before heading back to Washington to watch election returns. Earlier today, Bush told a crowd at Tyler Junior College they can go to the polls tomorrow and say what's right about America.

The Food and Drug Administration today ordered drug labeling for the elderly. The proposed F-D-A change would require drug makers to warn doctors about possible side effects of prescription drugs in older people. The Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association says the industry group like the idea of giving doctors as much information as possible.

Researchers say riding in the back of a pickup truck appears to be particularly risky for children. Reporting in the journal Pediatrics, the researchers from the University of Utah School of Medicine found 38 percent of 40 patients ages 16 and under surveyed had been injured in noncrash events. But it said a number of injuries were sustained when drivers made sharp turns, quick stops and rough accelerations and that restraint devices would have prevented the accidents.

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#90309u2127 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (NOV. 5) UPI - President Violeta Chamorro's popularity has dropped 13 percentage points since she took office, and former President Daniel Ortega is even less popular, according to a survey published Monday.

Via Civica, an independent organization that promoted voting in elections last Feb. 5, said it interviewed 540 people over the age of 16 in Managua, the capital.

''After 180 days in government, President Chamorro has a 42 percent acceptance which, compared to the 55 percent of the vote with which she was elected, shows a drop in popularity of 13 percent,'' the report said.

Chamorro, a newspaper publisher whose candidacy was supported by the United States, won a surprise victory over Sandinista President Daniel Ortega with 55 percent of the vote. Ortega won 42 percent.

Her election victory ended more than 10 years of Sandinista rule, and helped bring an end to more than eight years of civil war between the Sandinista government and U.S.-funded Contra rebels.

Since taking office, however, Chamorro's government has been beset by high unemployment, runaway inflation, massive devaluations of the cordoba and a series of strikes.

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#90309u2135 11/05/1990 ~United Press International
AKRON, OHIO (NOV. 5) UPI - General Tire said Monday it planned to restructure the company's replacement sales distribution system.

This action will allow the company to better focus on its core manufacturing business and distribution system through General Tire's strong independent dealer network, said Tom Reese, executive vice presdident of sales and marketing.

The restructuring may involve the sale of some or all of its 90 company-operated retail stores, located throughout the United States and Puerto Rico.

General Tire is the largest unit of Continental AG of West Germany, the fourth largest tire manufacturer in the world.

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(NOV. 6) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Chicago (AL) - Placed Ron Schueler in charge of major league operations and named Larry Monroe minor league director; named Steve Noworyta director of minor league operations and Duane Shaffer director of scouting.

FOOTBALL

Cleveland - Fired coach Bud Carson; promoted offensive coordinator Jim Shofner to head coach.

New England - Released fullback Robert Perryman.

HOCKEY

Chicago - Recalled goaltender Dominik Hasak from Indianapolis of the International Hockey League.

Hartford - Recalled center Mike Tomlak from Springfield of the American Hockey League.

Philadelphia - Recalled goaltender Bruce Hoffort from Hershey of the American Hockey League.

Vancouver - Recalled left wing Gary Valk from Milwaukee of the International Hockey League.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) UPI - The Justice Department said Monday it is investigating charges of voter intimidation by the Republican Party in North Carolina, site of a bruising and racially charged U.S. Senate race.

Assistant Attorney General John Dunne said the department has ordered the FBI to look into Democratic charges that the GOP sent intimidating postcards to largely Democratic districts in North Carolina, where Republican Sen. Jesse Helms is facing a tough re-election battle against Democrat Harvey Gantt, the former mayor of Charlotte.

Democrats complained that the 100,000 postcards sent to 29 counties across the state contained inaccurate information on voting laws and that they were designed to scare away Democratic voters.

''These cards had been disseminated on a fairly broad base,'' Dunne said, ''and there was, in our judgment, a statement on the card that was misleading, if not totally inaccurate.''

Democrats also charged that Republicans were collecting postcards returned as undeliverable and were planning to use them at polling places to challenge the eligibility of those voters if they showed up to cast ballots.

The plan was lambasted by Sen. John Breaux, D-La., chairman of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee.

''Jesse Helms and his Republican cohorts will have to answer tomorrow for any efforts to deny North Carolina citizens their right to vote by fear and intimidation,'' Breaux said.

Dunne, head of the civil rights division, said the Justice Department had secured a pledge from Republicans not to use the returned postcards on Election Day, and said the FBI would investigate whether the mailing constituted voter intimidation.

''What we wanted to do is take some action today which could have some affect in terms of stemming any negative effect that these cards would have,'' Dunne said.

He said FBI agents traveled to Raleigh on Friday and interviewed top state Republican Party officials, and Justice Department officials obtained documents from the GOP relating to the incident.

''We will continue to look into this whole scheme,'' said Dunne.

In addition, the Justice Department's voting rights section dispatched a team of lawyers to North Carolina to monitor the election, and the Office of Personnel Management will maintain a local hotline to field any complaints.

''The right to vote is one of America's most cherished freedoms,'' Breaux said in criticizing the GOP postcards. ''This scheme is straight out of the politics of our past, and it will backfire on the Republicans in North Carolina.''

The Justice Department already is sending 36 election observers to Edgecombe County in North Carolina, although a spokeswoman said the decision was made before the postcard controversy.

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#90309u2232 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 6) UPI - Moody's Investor Service said Monday it had lowered its rating on the debt of Orion Pictures Corp., the second such downgrade for the troubled studio in less than a week.

The rating service, citing poor earnings performance and increasing debt levels, said its action affected about $265 million of subordinated debt.

Orion, which has long been a target of takeover speculation, said last week it had hired investment bankers Salomon Bros. to ''examine strategic alternatives.'' Such a move often indicates that a company is hanging out a ''for sale'' sign.

Orion lost $2.5 million in the second quarter on sales of $110.1 million, and cited increased TV production costs. But its major films - ''Robocop 2'' and ''Cadillac Man'' - performed poorly at the box office, leaving the studio without a hit for more than a year.

Moody's said the studio, which has a debt load of more than $400 million, had only $12 million available under its credit agreement as of Oct. 12. ''Moody's believes that Orion has become increasingly dependent on the success of future releases,'' the agency said.

Standard & Poor's rating service said last week it was also lowering its debt ratings for Orion, which is 70 percent owned by billionaire John Kluge.

Orion stock rose 37.5 cents to $11.50 Monday on the New York Stock Exchange after jumping $1.50 on Friday on speculation that German conglomerate Bertelsmann was considering an acquisition.

Orion may have a hit on its hands shortly with the release of Kevin Costner's ''Dancing With Wolves,'' a drama about American Indians. The three-hour film, which has received good reviews, opens in limited release this weekend.

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#90309u2256 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - The White House says it does NOT believe President Bush's election- eve signing of the new budget bill will have any impact on elections tomorrow. But the plan to cut the deficit by 492-BILLION dollars during the next five years was on the mind of at least one demonstrator today in Texas. The protester greeted Bush as he campaigned for the state's Republican gubernatorial hopeful, holding up a sign reading- ''NO new taxes.''

Secretary of State Baker today fired Felix Bloch, a high-ranking diplomat suspected of illegal contacts with Soviet espionage agents. Bloch has NEVER been formally charged... but leaks by U-S government investigators say Bloch was in contact with a Soviet agent in Paris and Vienna. Baker's dismissal order cites Bloch's- quoting here- ''behavior, activities and associations.''

The Defense Department expects to release a statement tomorrow on the Supreme Court's refusal to hear its case against allowing a homosexual soldier to re-enlist. The high court let stand an order forcing the Army to allow Perry Wadkins to re-enlist. Wadkins was drafted during the Vietnam War and accepted into the Army despite acknowledging he was gay. The case is NOT expected to affect the Pentagon's broader policy of banning homosexuals from the military.

A National Academy of Sciences report says poor attitudes about aging is depriving many Americans of leading healthy, happy lives in their later years. The academy's Institute of Medicine urges doctors to look beyond curing severe life-threatening diseases and find better ways of reducing mental and physical disability among the elderly. A committee covened by the panel states- ''American culture clings to some very pessimistic assumptions about aging.''

Glamour magazine named its 10 women of the year today. The list ranges from Chai Ling, the leader of the Chinese students' democracy movement, to pop star Madonna. Others on the list include Democratic Senator Barbara Mikulski of Maryland... Sarah Brady, the wife of White House aid James Brady... tennis champ Chris Everet... and television personality Jane Pauley.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 6) UPI - A former Newport Beach stockbroker pleaded guilty Monday to charges he used information in an unreleased Business Week magazine column to purchase stocks that brought him about $66,000.

John Petit, 34, pleaded guilty to two federal felonies alleging he committed insider trading by obtaining information from the Business Week column well in advance of the magazine's release to the public.

Based on information he received in the ''Inside Wall Street'' column, Petit, a former broker at Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. in Newport Beach, purchased stocks grossing him $66,000 between 1986 and 1988.

Petit would purchase the stocks before the magazine's release.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Alice Hill said the purchases were successful because ''a security that received a favorable mention in the 'Inside Wall Street' column typically inreased in price in the period immediately following public dissemination of the magazine.''

Petit received the inside information on the column from Shayne Walters, a former employee of R.R. Donnelley & Sons Co. in Torrance, which prints the magazine.

Walters, who Petit payed for the information, has pleaded guilty to charges in New York.

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#90309u2468 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - Secretary of State Baker met with Saudi King Fahd in the port city of Jeddah tonight. A senior administration official wouldn't say if Baker had received Saudi approval for launching an attack against Iraqi forces from the kingdom.

45 members of Congress have NOTHING to worry about tomorrow. They have NO major party opposition. Nearly half of the House delegation from Texas... 13 out of 27 seats... are unopposed. That's the largest number of any state.

President Bush described Clayton Williams today as a ''Texas original'' who will ''do what needs to be done.'' Bush campaigned for the Republican gubernatorial nominee in a final day of campaigning in the lone star state.

NASA says the small amount of cocaine found at the Kennedy Space Center is NOT an indication of a widespread drug problem. The space agency adds there is NO evidence drugs were behind any of the mishaps at the center this year.

Damascus radio says rival Shiite militias in Lebanon have signed an agreement to end their three-year struggle that turned their nation into a battle zone. The pact announced by the Syrian- Iranian High Committee takes effect in five days.

An I-R-S officer in Reno, Nevada, says the state's largest legal house of prostitution may be converted into a home for wayward girls. The Mustang Ranch will be sold this month for taxes owed to the Internal Revenue Service.

An elementary school dropout who amassed a fortune before dying yesterday at

the age of 82 left nearly one-BILLION dollars to help the poor. Lawyers for Harry Weinberg say the foundation becomes one of the nation's 12 largest charitable organizations and the largest in Baltimore... his native city.

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#90309u2537 11/05/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 5) UPI - Secretary of State Baker described the Persian Gulf crisis as entering a ''new phase'' after meeting with the Kuwaiti emir in Saudia Arabia today. A senior Bush administration official explained Baker meant the international effort had proceded beyond assembling and maintaining a coalition opposing Iraq. There was NO word on whether Baker received Saudi approval for launching an attack.

The Justice Department is looking into charges of voter intimidation by the Republican Party in North Carolina- the site of a racially charged U-S Senate race. Assistant Attorney General John Dunne says the F-B-I will look into Democratic charges that the G-O-P sent intimidating postcards to largely Democratic districts. Dunne describes one statement on the cards as ''misleading, if NOT totally inaccurate.'' Republican Senator Jesse Helms faces Democrat Harvey Gantt in a tough re-election battle.

Environmentalists say the government is finally addressing a little- noticed but major contributor to water pollution. The Environmental Protection Agency today imposed new regulations on cities and industry to reduce contaminated runoff from streets, landfills and factories. Environmentalists praised the effort as a good start, but criticized the agency for NOT requiring specific pollution control measures.

The United Auto Workers' Chrysler National Bargaining Council today approved a tentative, three-year agreement reached with the automaker last week. The union expects voting by Chrysler's 67-thousand hourly workers to be completed within two weeks. The agreement features a 705- Million-dollar commitment by the nation's third biggest automaker to maintain salaries, even if sales slump and plants close.

Police in New York are holding seven people in the beating and throat slashing of a homeless man killed in a bloody Halloween rampage. Nine others were hurt in the attack by assailants wearing Halloween masks on Wards Island. The suspects were arraigned tonight after making what police say were incriminating statements, placing themselves at the scene of the crime.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - In ''Buddy, The Buddy Holly Story'', Broadway finally has what every new Broadway season needs, a musical of hit proportions which establishes Paul Hipp as a star.

The theatrical biography of the rock 'n' roll star who died in a plane crash in 1959 at age 22 opened at the Shubert Theater Sunday and had the audience literally dancing in the aisles. The original success of the show in London's West End last year seems destined to be repeated in New York.

Alan Janes' book closely follows Holly's brief career, three years of recording and only 18 months on the Top 10 with his group, the Crickets. The story is told in vignettes that never quite capture the feel of reality, but Holly's music and the performance of a marvelous cast makes up for any shortcomings in the writing.

The first act tends to be a teaser, with bits and pieces of Holly's early compositions when he first began his revolt against country music. It ends with a concert at Harlem's Apollo Theater, for which Holly was engaged by an agent who had heard his music and thought he was black. It leaves the audience shouting for more.

More is delivered in act two with complete delivery of Holly's most memorable hits winding up with a simulated ''Winter Dance Party'' at the Surf Ballrom in Clear Lake, Iowa. Usherettes from the cast pass out typical programs for this sort of concert to capture the era when rock was performed in more intimate spaces than arenas.

Clear Lake was Holly's last appearance. Only hours later he died with J.P. Richardson, the Big Bopper, and Ritchie Valens as they flew to their next gig on a chartered plane in a snowstorm. For rock fans, it was ''the day the music died.''

Hipp, a lanky chap with black curls and what sounds like an authentic West Texas twang, is as close to a reincarnation of the be-spectacled, clean-living Holly as can be hoped for. He has a shyness that masks a will of iron when it comes to his music and his career.

Hipp is a well-known rock 'n' roll musician and composer in his own right (Paul Hipp and the Heroes) and a charismatic actor whose peformance as Holly in London won him a nomination for the coveted Olivier Award for best actor in a musical. His voice runs the gamut from sweet innocence to tart impudence and he is a devil on the guitar.

He is backed up by flashy peformances by David Mucci as Big Bopper, who gives a gyrating rendition of ''Chantilly Lace,'' and Philip Anthony as Ritchie Valens who detonates ''La Bamba'' with a series of megabomb explosions.

Kurt Ziskie is totally winning as Norman Petty, the Lubbock, Texas, a producer and manager who gave Holly his start, and Jo Lynn Burks is perfectly cast as his helpmeet wife. Fred Sanders makes much of the role of Hipockets Duncan, who also figured in Holly's early success.

Bobby Prochaska and Russ Jolly are as alike as peas in a pod as the faceless Crickets, Jerry Allison and Joe B. Mauldin. Don Stitt is tremendous as the bombastic Surf Ballroom emcee, but Jill Hennessy is less successful in the thinly drawn role of Holly's bride, Maria Elena, a stunning secretary to whom he proposed on their first date.

Cleverly articulated sets by Andy Walmsley, made up of 1950s billboard images allows for quick changes made necessary by the many scenes in the show. Costumes by Bill Butler and Carolyn Smith catch the generally demure style of the period epitomized by the bouffant-skirted backup singers. Graham McLusky's lighting is complex and effective.

Rob Bettison's direction gives the dramatic part of the show more vitality than is implicit in the book but the music takes direction from its own rhythms, beat and drive. To evoke nostalgia for the ''golden years'' of rock, there is nothing like ''Peggy Sue,'' ''Raining in My Heart,'' ''Blue Days, Black Nights,'' ''You Send Me,'' and ''Why Do Fools Fall in Love?''

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#90309x1424 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 5) UPI - The surprise hit ''Ghost,'' which relied heavily on its appeal to women amid a crush of male-oriented action-adventures, has become the No. 1 movie of the year, it was announced Monday.

The Paramount Pictures film, starring Patrick Swayze and Demi Moore, surpassed Disney's ''Pretty Woman'' Friday _ its 113th day of release _ when it reached $178.3 million in domestic ticket sales. By the end of the weekend, its gross had topped $180.6 million.

The film, still being shown in more than 1,500 theaters across the country, has a good chance at surpassing the $200 million barrier, said Barry London, president of the studio.

''We are certainly going to keep it out in a lot of theaters for some time to come,'' London said.

''Ghost'' is already the 12th-highest grossing movie of all time in North America, the studio said. The movie is also the studio's fourth- highest grosser, following ''Raiders of the Lost Ark,'' ''Beverly Hills Cop'' and ''Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade.''

''Ghost'' was released amid the height of the action-adventure summer blockbuster season, competing against Universal's ''Back to the Future Part III,'' Disney's ''Dick Tracy,'' Carolco's ''Total Recall,'' Warner's ''Gremlins 2,'' Orion's ''Robocop II,'' Fox's ''Die Hard II'' and Paramount's own ''Another 48 HRS'' and ''Days of Thunder.''

The plethora of action films was clearly aimed at duplicating the success of 1989's smash hit, Warner's ''Batman,'' which grossed more than $250 million.

Paramount executives launched a major push for ''Ghost,'' believing at the time that the marketplace had been saturated with male-oriented films, leaving a big opening for a romance, London said.

''From a marketing standpoint, we decided that the film would initially have its biggest imapct among female moviegoers,'' London said. ''So it was positioned as a romance with an edge.''

In the film, Swayze portrays Moore's murdered lover. As a ghost, he tries to contact Moore's character through a psychic, portrayed by Whoopi Goldberg.

''There are a lot of themes in the movie that have been very strong for people such as good guys going to heaven and looking after people that are still living,'' London said.

Paramount said that the film is its sixth release since 1972 to hit the No. 1 spot at the box office for the year. In 1972, Paramount's ''The Godfather'' landed in the top spot. The others were ''Beverly Hills Cop II'' (1987), ''Top Gun'' (1986), ''Raiders of the Lost Ark'' (1981) and ''Grease'' (1978).

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CHICAGO (NOV. 5) UPI - The Field Museum Monday opened an exhibit of the world's oldest ''modern'' bird _ the only such U.S. display before the fossil is returned to China for study.

The fossil of the 135-million-year-old bird was found in China in 1987. The display includes a drawing of the unnamed bird, which has links to both dinosaurs and today's birds.

William Simpson, chief preparator of fossil vertebrates at the museum, and University of Chicago paleontologist Paul Sereno prepared the fossil for display by using chemicals to remove bone tissues from the rock. They then prepared cross sections and made casts of the indentations.

''It was too difficult to take the rock off the bone, so we took the bone off the rock,'' Simpson said. ''What we have now is essentially a negative and the next move is to make a positive.

''I think what we'll do is use an airbrush to spray on natural latex rubber. The rubber will become what's called a 'latex peel,' and we'll use that to make another mold out of silicone rubber. From the silicone mold we'll make epoxy casts _ the ultimate goal. They'll be hard and durable and won't change

dimensions over time.''

Simpson said most of the work had to be done under a microscope.

Sereno said the fossil is not perfect, that the head bones appear to have drifted before the fossil was formed, making it difficult to determine exactly what the bird looked like.

The bird lived about 10 million years after the Archaeopteryx, a transitional form between dinosaurs and birds.

The exhibit will run through Nov. 15.

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#90309x1843 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

HOLLYWOOD (NOV. 6) UPI - The psychological thriller ''Jacob's Ladder'' climbed to the top of the nation's box office with an impressive $7.5 million take in its debut over the weekend - more than double the gross of any other movie.

The film, which has received mixed reviews, revolves around a Vietnam veteran (Tim Robbins) who experiences vividly portrayed hallucinations.

Directed by Adrian Lyne (''9 1/2 Weeks,'' ''Fatal Attraction''), ''Jacob's Ladder'' could be a significant success for Carolco Pictures, which saw its last major release - ''Total Recall'' - gross nearly $120 million over the summer.

''Jacob's Ladder,'' appearing across 1,052 screens, will face new competition next weekend - the last before the major Christmas season releases begin - from Universal's ''Child's Play 2'' and Kevin Costner's ''Dances With Wolves '' which will go into limited release.

Meanwhile, Kirstie Alley's latest comedy, ''Sibling Rivalry,'' held on to second place with a respectable $3.24 million weekend at 1,445 screens. The comedy, directed by Carl Reiner, has grossed $8.4 million in 10 days for Columbia.

''Ghost,'' which became the year's biggest hit on Friday, moved from the No. 5 to the No. 3 spot with a $3.22 million take at 1,713 screens. ''Ghost'' has now pulled in $180.6 million for Paramount, surpassing Disney's ''Pretty Woman'' as this year's top-grossing movie. ''Pretty Woman'' has lured $178.1 million in ticket sales after 34 weeks in release and is still showing at 202 screens.

The May-to-September romance ''White Palace'' slid from No. 3 to No. 4 with a still-solid gross of $3 million at 892 screens. The film, starring Susan

Sarandon and James Spader, sold $9.1 million of tickets in 17 days for Universal.

Stephen Seagal's revenge-actioner ''Marked for Death'' fell from No. 4 to No. 5 after three straight weeks at No. 1, taking in $2.58 million at 1,553 screens.

As expected, ''Stephen King's Graveyard Shift'' was buried by its competition over the weekend, falling to the No. 6 slot and scaring up a mere $2.55 million at 1,603 screens.

Warner's World War II flying flick ''Memphis Belle'' landed in No. 7 with a $2.48 million gross at 1,300 screens.

Rock star Prince's latest film ''Graffiti Bridge'' posted an adequate opening with $2.44 million at 688 screens, good enough for No. 8. The film, a continuation of Prince's 1984 hit ''Purple Rain,'' will probably drop off sharply.

MGM/UA's ''Quigley Down Under,'' starring Tom Selleck as a cowboy in Australia was No. 9 with a $2.3 million third weekend at 1,035 screens. Finally, ''Avalon,'' Barry Levinson's latest tribute to his Baltimore roots after ''Diner'' and ''Tin Men,'' continued to perform strongly in its third weekend in wide release with a $1.727 million take at 635 screens.

The top 10, weekend gross, total gross and weeks in release:

1. ''Jacob's Ladder,'' $7.5 million, 1 week.
2. ''Sibling Rivalry,'' $3.24 million, $8.4 million, 2 weeks.
3. ''Ghost,'' $3.22 million, $180.6 million, 17 weeks.
4. ''White Palace,'' $3 million, $9.1 million, 3 weeks.
5. ''Marked for Death,'' $2.58 million, $37.5 million, 5 weeks.
6. ''Stephen King's Graveyard Shift,'' $2.55 million, $9 million, 2 weeks.
7. ''Memphis Belle,'' $2.48 million, $19 million, 4 weeks.
8. ''Graffiti Bridge,'' $2.44 million, 1 week.
9. ''Quigley Down Under,'' $2.3 million, $11 million, 3 weeks.
10. ''Avalon,'' $1.7 million, $8.8 million, 5 weeks.

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FOXBORO, MA (UPI) - Robert Perryman, the New England Patriots starting fullback since 1988, Monday was given his release.

Perryman, 26, had started all eight games this season but in 32 rushes had just 97 yards with one touchdown. He was a third-round pick in the 1987 draft.

The Patriots, 1-7, have the league's worst record.

Perryman had sought a huge contract during the summer, claiming he was one of the league's top fullbacks.

''Unfortunately, Robert did not live up to the expectations that the organization had for him,'' said Patriots general manager Patrick Sullivan. ''We feel that it is in the best interest of the club to make this move at this time.''

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#90309x2092 11/05/1990 ~Comtex

SAN JOSE, Calif. (NOV. 6) UPI - Struggling computer reseller Businessland Inc. posted a $19.9 million first-quarter loss Monday and announced its fourth round of layoffs this year.

Businessland, which has cut 536 jobs since June 30, said it would lay off another 240 workers, about 7 percent of the current workforce, by the end of the year in an attempt to reverse four straight quarters of red ink.

In September, the company announced plans to lay off 370 and fold its money-losing ComputerCraft retail subsidiary into Businessland's main operations. That followed layoffs of 200 in January and of 18 in the United Kingdom in April.

By the end of the year, Businessland plans to trim its workforce to 3,120 people worldwide, compared with 3,900 people at the end of June, and merge all of its former ComputerCraft stores into Businessland's operations, said David Norman, chairman and chief executive officer.

The company's first-quarter loss included a $4.5 million restructuring charge to pay severance wages for affected employees and to close down facilities. In the year-earlier quarter, Businessland earned a profit of $4.3 million, or 14 cents a share.

Businessland said sales in the quarter ended Sept. 30 had slipped to $308.9 million from $315.9 million in the year-earlier period, reflecting a 6 percent decline in U.S. sales, which account for about 85 percent of Businessland's revenue.

Norman cited the weakening economy and steep price discounting in the personal computer reseller market for the lower sales. He said the company was trying to restructure its pricing so it would be better compensated for the service and support provided customers along with hardware.

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WORCESTER, MA (NOV. 6) UPI - Andrea Temesvari, ranked No. 7 six years ago but now No. 128, Monday rallied for a 2-6, 7-6 (8-6), 6-4 victory over Gigi Fernandez, ranked No. 30, who squandered a second-set match point.

In the third set, with the score tied 4-4, Fernandez missed an easy overhead then netted a backhand to give Temesvari the decisive service break.

Fernandez, who held a match point at 6-5 in the second-set tie- breaker, said, ''I gave it away, basically. I had a match point in the tie-break, it was a second serve, she hit a backhand crosscourt and I didn't come in. If I had come in, it would have been over with.''

Temesvari ''has been in the top 10 and she still hits the ball hard,'' said Fernandez, who has a sore left knee, having hyper-extended it last week. ''I'm not running 100 percent and I couldn't run down balls I usually do.''

''It was a weird match,'' said Temesvari. ''I was struggling with my game. I couldn't get the right rhythm on (deciding) when to float balls, when to go into the net and when to put pressure on her.''

''I played some good returns, I hung in there,'' said Temesvari. ''I didn't feel I played great but after the second-set tie-break I was fighting more for the match ... I started to loosen up and move her around the court.''

Last year's champion, Martina Navratilova, is not defending her title. Among the 28 entrants are all four semifinalists from September's U.S. Open: top seed Steffi Graf; No. 2 Mary Joe Fernandez; No. 3 Gabriela Sabatini, the Open champion; and No. 4 Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario.

In other pairings of unseeded opponents, Renata Baranski of Rock Hill, S.C., defeated Katrina Greenman of Westwood, Mass., 6-2, 6-4; Florencia Labat of Argentina outlasted Eva Pfaff of Germany, 6-1, 2-6, 7-6 (10-8); and Mercedes Paz of Argentina downed Ann Henricksson of Mill Valley, Calif., 6-3, 7-6 (7-4).

The tournament features a winner's purse of $70,000 and the runner-up will receive $35,000.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Jay Jacobs Inc. (NASDAQ: JAYJ) Tuesday announced that sales for the month of October 1990 increased approximately 1 percent to $8.0 million from $7.9 million in October 1989.

Sales in comparable stores decreased 10 percent for the month. For the eight months ended Oct. 31, 1990, sales increased 19 percent from $63.0 million to $75.0 million, while sales in comparable stores increased 8 percent for the same period.

Jay Jacobs sells fashion forward merchandise to young men and women through its 193 apparel stores located principally in regional shopping malls in 11 Western states and three Midwestern states.

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EVERETT, WA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - John Fluke Mfg. Co. Inc. Tuesday, Nov. 6 1990, reported operating results for its 1990 fiscal year ended Sept. 28, 1990.

Revenues for fiscal 1990 were $233.8 million, a 6 percent decline from fiscal 1989 revenues of $247.7 million.

Net income was $12.2 million, or $1.72 per share on approximately 7.1 million shares and share equivalents outstanding, compared to fiscal 1989 net income of $23.2 million, or $2.80 per share, on some 8.3 million shares and share equivalents outstanding. Fiscal 1989 net income included a gain on a land sale and investment write-downs that represented a net gain of approximately $7.6 million after tax. Excluding these unusual items, net income for fiscal 1989 was $15.5 million or approximately $1.88 per share.

Fourth quarter fiscal 1990 revenues were $55.3 million compared to $62.7 million in last year's final quarter. This represents a decline of 12 percent. Net income also fell below last year's fourth quarter figures of $3.8 million to $1.8 million in FY'90.

Orders for fiscal 1990 declined 3 percent from $235.1 million in 1989 to $228.8 million. Fourth quarter FY'90 orders declined 5 percent from $64.2 million in FY'89 to $60.9 million, but were improved from third quarter FY'90 order levels of $53.7 million. Order comparisons in general turned negative in May.

The shortfall occurred primarily in the United States, while orders from international customers ended the year essentially flat with the previous year. The sustained order growth among international customers outside Europe shoftened this year, with declines in countries such as Canada offsetting growth in many Asian markets, including Japan.

John Fluke Mfg. Co. Inc. is a leading supplier of electronic instrumentation and services that improve the productivity of technical users engaged in research, service, design, manufacturing and calibration. Fluke focuses on customers who are manufacturers and users of electronic and electrical equipment in defense and aerospace, government agencies, computers and

peripherals, electronic instrumentation, communications, utilities, automotive and consumer electronics. Founded in 1948 and headquartered in Everett, Fluke employs more than 2,100 people.

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BELLEVUE, WASH. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Aris Corp. (NASDAQ:LMNT) announced that it has entered into an agreement for a new long-term credit facility, and Lamonts Apparel Inc., its sole operating unit, announced record sales for the quarter and the year ended Nov. 3, 1990.

Leonard Snyder, chairman and chief executive officer of Lamonts, said Aris has entered into an agreement which provides for the retirement of the existing $43.1 million bridge loan due in March 1991.

The new financing will consist primarily of a 10-year term loan provided by Executive Life Insurance Co. as well as a two-year real estate facility. Completion of this financing will occur in several stages. The initial closing, completed today, has provided for the refinancing of approximately $22.0 million of the bridge loan, and the balance is expected to be refinanced by the end of this calendar year. In connection with the agreement, the maturity of the remaining balance of the existing bridge loan has been extended to March 1992.

Snyder also said estimated sales for the year, including leased departments, were a record $264 million, a 12 percent increase over $236 million last year, while comparable stores achieved a 9 percent increase. Fourth-quarter sales grew to $65 million, a 5 percent comparable-store increase. Additionally, Lamonts expects to report record operating cash flow (earnings before interest taxes, depreciation, amortization, LIFO and other non-cash accounting adjustments) for its 1990 fiscal year.

''The vitality of Lamonts' sales and our new financing arrangement are good news all around,'' Snyder said. ''The new long-term credit facility provides a strong capital base for our future growth plans.

''Lamonts continues to generate strong sales gains substantially in excess of industry averages. Our improved sales reflect the strength of Lamonts' focused marketing strategy, and the relative economic strength of the markets in which we compete.''

Lamonts is a Pacific Northwest specialty apparel retailer with 49 stores located in Washington, Oregon, Alaska, Montana, Idaho and Utah. In the past three years, the company has opened 19 new stores and remodeled 18 existing

stores. Lamonts was purchased by Aris Corp. in September 1989.

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LOVELAND, OH (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Baldwin Piano & Organ Co. has approved an amendment to Baldwin's Stock Repurchase Plan to increase the amount of Baldwin common stock that may be purchased thereunder to the lesser of 1,033,000 shares or $12,416,000.

The Plan previously permitted Baldwin to purchase up to the lesser of 783,000 shares or $9,416,000. Pursuant to the Plan, through Nov. 6, Baldwin repurchased 701,300 shares of its common stock through open market.

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HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Future Medical Products Inc. (NASDAQ:FMPI) announced Tuesday the sale of 51 percent of the outstanding common stock of its subsidiary corporation, Viromedics Inc. to CCC Franchising Corp. for $700,000.

CCC has received restricted securities under the Securities Act of 1933. Viromedics, a development stage enterprise was formed to develop a procedure for the treatment of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (''AIDS''). Viromedics owns joint patent rights for the procedure with The Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

Future Medical Products Inc., Viromedics' parent company, will have the voting rights to the stock purchased by CCC during the next 18 months as well as the right to repurchase 25.5 percent of such stock from CCC at the completion of such 18 month period for $700,000. FMPI will also receive revenues of $250,000 during the next 18 months in management consulting fees.

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TORRANCE, CA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Clint Trainor has been promoted to operations manager for the Aluminum Extrusion/Cast House division for International Light Metals Co. (ILM) of Torrance.

He replaces Jim Luse, who will soon be retiring. Luse, a 30-year ILM veteran, will remain with ILM in a top executive staff advisory role. Trainor's appointment was announced by the company's president, Gene Gambill.

Prior to his appointment, Trainor was production superintendent for the Aluminum Extrusion/Cast House division; he is a 25-year veteran of the aluminum industry. Trainor also served former ILM owners Martin Marietta and Harvey Aluminum.

International Light Metals has over 45 years of extrusion and forging production experience and is a joint venture of Martin Marietta and NKK.

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SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - As part of the company's strategy to expand its business, EFI Electronics (NASDAQ:EFIC) Tuesday announced that it has developed a major new product line of Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) or Battery Back-up Products to complement its full line of high-performance surge suppression equipment.

The new products, known as SysGarde 505 and LanGarde 505, are designed to protect computer and microprocessor-based office automation, medical and industrial equipment from premature shut down and harmful transient voltages or power surges.

It is estimated that the power conditioning industry, currently at $1.3 billion, is expected to grow to over $2.8 billion by 1995. This unprecedented growth is expected to be fueled by demands for power source protection and reliability from all segments of the computer and electronics industry.

Scott Nelson, president and chief executive officer of EFI, stated: ''EFI's entry into this fast-growing business represents a natural extension of our technical ability to provide the marketplace with superior quality products coupled with state-of-the-art design. Our attention to quality and performance has become the trademark of the entire EFI product line.''

Product shipments will begin on a limited basis next month with production gearing up for general shipments to begin through the company's normal distribution channels by January 1991.

Founded in 1979, EFI Electronics Corp. markets power surge suppression equipment in the United States and Canada. Its products are designed to protect computer, telecommunications and microprocessor-based medical and industrial equipment in a wide range of applications.

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WESTBORO, MASS. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Interleaf Inc., the leading corporate publishing supplier, has signed an agreement with Data General Corp. to port Interleaf publishing software to Data General's AViiON RISC based computer systems.

The Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) distribution agreement expands Data General's electronic publishing offerings in the UNIX systems environment.

''Interleaf offers a comprehensive solution for the entire range of information publishing,'' says Stephen P. Baxter, vice president of corporate marketing at Data General. ''This agreement opens the door to many new accounts for Data General in vertical markets such as government, aerospace, engineering and departmental publishing networks.''

Mark Ruport, Interleaf's senior vice president of sales and marketing, said, ''Together, Interleaf publishing software and the Data General AViiON systems provide users state-of-the-art tools to customize their information flow for maximum productivity, even under the most demanding circumstances.''

Interleaf active publishing technology provides full solutions for accessing information, transforming it into text and graphics, distributing it electronically or on paper, and managing the flow of documents and information. Users can create text and graphic documents and can import data into Interleaf publishing software from popular word processors, PC's, computer-aided design (CAD) systems, scanners and mainframes. Interleaf publishing software automatically hyphenates and spell checks in 13 languages, and supports European paper sizes, keyboard layouts, and character sets.

With 31 sales offices in the United States and Canada, and subsidiaries and distributors in Europe, Latin America, and Asia/Pacific, Interleaf has more than 50,000 users.

Data General, a Fortune 300 company based in Westboro, Mass., is a leading supplier of general purpose computer and communication systems worldwide.

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PROVO, UT (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Rocky Mountain Helicopters Inc. (NASDAQ:RMHI) Tuesday announced that it has signed a contract to lease five BO-105 helicopters to Helivia Air Taxi Limited of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

The contract, amounting to approximately $5 million, coincides with RMH's international expansion efforts. Three of the five aircraft have already been delivered; the other two will arrive in Brazil later this month.

Jim Bianchi, managing director for Helivia, indicated that the aircraft will be used for offshore support services and onshore oil exploration near the Amazon River. ''We chose Rocky Mountain because they are an excellent organization. We are familiar with the work they do and are confident in their capabilities. Their support services are vital to this project.''

RMH vice president, Bryan Burr, says that future agreements with Helivia are in the planning stages. ''We look forward to a long-term relationship with Helivia in Brazil,'' Burr said.

Rocky Mountain Helicopters Inc., is one of the largest providers of helicopter support services in the United States. RMH provides air medical, mining, logging and remote installation support, and it is the industry leader in air medical transport services. The company operates a fleet of 88 helicopters and 21 fixed-wing aircraft.

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ABINGTON, MA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Abington Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: ABBK) Tuesday announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30 1990.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Bancorp reported a net loss of $2,035,000 or $1.09 per share, compared with net income of $304,000 or 15 cents per share for the same period a year earlier.

Bancorp also reported a net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $2,550,000 or $1.37 per share, compared with net income of $1,011,000 or 49 cents per share for the corresponding period in 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, assets totaled $232,767,000 compared to $239,593,000 at Dec. 31, 1989. Total outstanding loans and deposits at Sept. 30, 1990, were $143,620,000 and $151,847,000, respectively, compared with $134,052,000 and $163,502,000, respectively, at Dec. 31, 1989.

Stockholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990, was $22,776,000, reflecting a stockholders' equity to assets ratio of 9.8 percent. Book value per common share at Sept. 30, 1990, was $12.23. At Sept. 30, 1990 Bancorp's non-performing assets amounted to $9,940,000 compared to $11,549,000 at Dec. 31, 1989, reflecting a decrease of $1,609,000 or 13.9 percent.

Bancorp's President and Chief Executive Officer Donald R. Eldridge said that the third quarter and nine month results reflect losses on sales of marketable securities of $2,038,000 and $1,951,000, respectively, compared to net gains of $262,000 and $526,000, respectively, in the corresponding periods of 1989.

This loss is a result of management's plan to restructure the bank's investment portfolio and to take advantage of tax carryback benefits amounting to $691,000. Such benefits were due to expire after Oct. 31, 1990, Bancorp's year end for income tax purposes.

Also, a write-down of $617,000 has been reflected in the quarter and nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990 to recognize management's judgment that the value of shares of a regional bank stock held in portfolio has been permanently impaired.

In addition, the third quarter and nine month results include decreases in net interest income of $203,000 or 13.7 percent and $1,369,000 or 27.5 percent, respectively, as compared to the prior year's comparable periods, reflecting market conditions, the impact of non-performing assets and higher cost certificates of deposit which have matured during 1990.

The provision for possible loan losses increased $375,000 and $830,000 respectively for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to the corresponding period in 1989.

These increases are a response to what the bank considers to be a declining regional economy and real estate market in particular which has had an impact on the bank's loan portfolio.

Eldridge commented that he was pleased with the decrease in non-performing assets since Dec. 31, 1989, but still felt that the additions to the loan loss reserves were necessary in these uncertain economic times. Eldridge also noted that the bank's high cost certificates of deposit have continued to mature

resulting in a decline in its cost of funds.

Abington Bancorp Inc. is a holding company that operates Abington Savings Bank as a wholly-owned subsidiary. Abington Savings Bank is a Massachusetts-chartered savings bank whose deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and the Mutual Savings Central Fund Inc. In addition to its headquarters and loan center located in Abington, the bank has two other branches located in Halifax and Kingston, Mass.

ABINGTON BANCORP INC. OPERATING RESULTS
(In thousands, except earnings per share)

Three Months Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
(unaudited)		
Interest and dividend income	$5,156	$5,793
Net interest income	1,278	1,481
Other income (charges)	(2,464)	497
Operating expenses	1,387	1,374
Income (loss) before income taxes	(3,098)	454
Net income (loss)	(2,035)	304
Earnings (loss) per share	$(1.09)	15 cents

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
(unaudited)		
Interest and dividend income	$15,496	$17,472
Net interest income	3,604	4,973
Other income (charges)	(2,065)	922
Operating expenses	4,424	4,062
Income (loss) before income tax	(3,935)	1,613
Net income (loss)	(2,550)	1,011
Earnings (loss) per share	$(1.37)	49 cents

BALANCE SHEET DATA (In thousands, except per share data)

	Sept. 30 1990	Dec. 31 1989
(unaudited)		
Total assets	$232,767	$239,593
Loans, net	143,620	134,052
Allowance for possible loan losses	2,147	1,755
Deposits	151,847	163,502
Stockholders' equity	22,776	26,339
Book value per share	12.23	13.63
Shares outstanding	1,863,000	1,932,900

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SAN JOSE, CALIF (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Valid (NASDAQ:VLID) Tuesday announced that it had received $1.3 million in orders from Litton Guidance and Control Systems in Woodland Hills, Calif.

The orders were for a full package of Valid's electronic design automation software for ASIC design, analog and digital simulation, printed circuit board design, and custom interface development, along with 23 Sun workstations and servers. The systems are being used by Litton to build a new concurrent engineering environment, replacing earlier design tools from Dazix, Computervision and other suppliers.

According to Mel Ashcraft, director of engineering for Litton, the move is part of an overall strategy to develop an efficient and integrated design environment capable of handling many designs simultaneously from start to finish.

''We were looking for someone who could provide a strong set of EDA software tools, network software licensing, and an open platform strategy,'' stated Ashcraft. ''We looked at all the leading EDA vendors and felt that Valid met our requirements the best.''

Using a team of 20 experienced engineers, Litton conducted a year-long evaluation of the design process and available EDA tools. After completing the final benchmark, the evaluators were asked to select between two finalists -- Valid and Mentor.

''An overwhelming majority picked Valid,'' said Ashcraft.

In addition to the applications, Ashcraft cited Access, Valid's network software licensing capability, as a key decision factor, enabling Litton to freely move data and applications between remote divisions during joint design projects.

''When you look at concurrent engineering in real terms, network licensing becomes paramount,'' noted Ashcraft. ''We need to be able to use any or all tools from any or all stations. A lot of people are talking about doing this, but Valid is there.''

Software purchased by Litton also includes Valid's DaisyLink data conversion software for migrating schematics and library models from Dazix design data bases to the new Valid equipment. Ashcraft reported that Litton had already transferred several existing designs and libraries to the Valid environment and planned to migrate a variety of older designs for reuse in future products.

Litton Guidance and Control Systems designs and manufactures inertial navigation systems for all classes of military vehicles. The division also designs digital computers for military and aerospace applications, special display systems, and ship communication and control systems.

Valid is a leading supplier of EDA systems, with 1989 revenues of $174 million. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports a full line of EDA solutions based on industry standard hardware, operating systems and networks. Valid products are used to develop electronic systems, including integrated circuits, application-specific ICs, and printed circuit boards.

Valid has sales and support operations in more than 40 locations worldwide. Valid corporate headquarters is located at 2820 Orchard Parkway, San Jose, 95134. Telephone is 408/432-9400.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Spelling Entertainment Inc. (ASE: SP) has created a new wholly-owned subsidiary, Spelling Films International Inc., to acquire and distribute feature films both theatrically and in home video format in the international marketplace, it was announced Tuesday by Aaron Spelling, chairman and chief executive officer, and Jules Haimovitz, president and chief operating officer, of Spelling Entertainment.

Spelling Films International, which will be based in Los Angeles, will begin operations immediately. The company simultaneously announced that Ian Jessel has been named president and chief executive officer of the entity, effective immediately.

In addition to being responsible for overall management of Spelling Films International, Jessel will be actively involved in the development and structuring of European co-production and co-financing agreements.

"Spelling Films International plans to be very aggressive in its acquisition policy," commented Spelling. "And, wherever possible, it will seek to develop projects with strong international partners."

"This is a great opportunity," commented Jessel, "for synergy between films and television. It's a wonderful chance to blend the two."

"Ian's extensive international experience will prove invaluable in broadening Spelling Entertainment's continued expansion into the global arena," said Haimovitz. "We're extremely pleased that he will play an integral role in taking the company into the 1990s."

Jessel most recently was president and chief operating officer of Nelson Entertainment International after serving for four years as vice president of international distribution and marketing for CBS Theatrical Films. He has also

held senior executive positions at I.T.C. International, World Film Services, and Rank Overseas Film Distributors.

Spelling Entertainment is primarily engaged in the development, production and distribution of television series, television series pilots, movies for television and television mini-series. The company also produces feature films financed and distributed primarily by major studios and licenses music and merchandising rights associated with its television properties.

Other wholly-owned subsidiaries are Aaron Spelling Productions Inc., Worldvision Enterprises Inc., and Laurel Entertainment Inc. Aaron Spelling Productions produced "Mr. Mom" and is presently in production on "Soap Dish," starring Sally Field, Robert Downey Jr., Kevin Kline, and Whoopi Goldberg.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Performance Semiconductor Corp. Tuesday announced that it will make available in the first quarter of 1991 the industry's first Multichip Module with MIPS architecture. Performance calls its Multichip Module PIMM (Performance Integrated Multichip Module).

PIMM operates at system clocks of 30, 35 and 40MHz, producing sustained throughputs of 25, 29 and 33VUPS. PIMM is a fully functional CPU, FPA, 32K Bytes Instruction cache, 32K Bytes Data cache and PACEWRAP R3100A system bus interface chip in this single VLSI package, replacing approximately 50 packages used on earlier designs.

The module is in a single 144 pin VLSI PGA package for commercial applications and a single 144 lead VLSI Quad Flat Pack for military applications.

PIMM operates using the standard MIPS Computer Systems Inc. compilers and operating systems with no limitations in their applicability. It is targeted at a broad range of applications from workstations to high-end embedded controllers for both commercial and military users. Commercial 1000 piece PIMM pricing is $578 for 30MHZ, $752 for 35MHz and $983 for 40MHz.

Performance has consistently been the MIPS Architecture leading supplier beginning with the development of the first R3000 operating at 25MHz in March 1988. This was followed quickly by production with Performance shipping enough good die by January 1989 for 50,000 PACEMIPS processor and floating point accelerator chips.

In February 1989 Performance became the first RISC processor vendor to ship over $1 million of RISC processors in a single month. Performance shipped the first 33MHz PR3000s in July of 1989 and the first 40MHz PR3000As in July of

1990. Next year, Performance will begin shipping the next generation MIPS RISC processor, the R4000.

Performance first entered the multichip module arena in 1989 with the PACE1757M, a 16-bit product that combined three chips from its highly successful MIL-STD-1750A 16-bit PACE1750A family into a single VLSI package for military applications. The next product was the PACEMIPS R3400A, a single VLSI package with the PR3000A and PR3010A in the same pinout as the PR3000A. They began shipping the PR3400A in mid-1990.

PIMM is a new level of integration in multichip modules for RISC microprocessors. It incorporates the PR3000A, PR3010A, four BIcameral SCRAMS (Dual 8Kx15 chips with on chip address latches), and the PACEWRAP (PR3100A), a Write, Read and Parity buffer.

These seven chips are configured to limit the outside signal interface to only the clocks, interrupts and system bus interface. The system bus is accessed through the Performance PACEWRAP, PR3100A.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - GenCorp Chairman and Chief Executive Officer A. William Reynolds spoke to the New York Society of Security Analysts in New York City today (Tuesday).

In that address, Reynolds reviewed the company's outlook for 1990 and 1991 and outlined his reasons for confidence in GenCorp's longer term business prospects.

Here is a summary of the principal points which Reynolds made in his address:

''I see GenCorp as a company of great technological capability and strong competitive positions in very large industries; a company with somewhat higher debt than desirable and a variable earnings history, but with manageable financial challenges and a clear understanding about what it must do over the next few years to get onto a rock-solid foundation. I believe our management team is fully committed to getting there. I have confidence in our future,'' he said.

He commented on the company's earnings outlook for 1990 by saying, ''I recognize that my visit to New York in the last month of our fiscal year requires me to comment on our outlook for 1990. I do so with a good deal of caution. I have not yet seen our actual results for October.

''At the end of every year there is a possibility of accounting adjustments. But recognizing those uncertainties and without making forecasts, let me say that our current expectations would not surprise analysts who follow us closely and who do make forecasts.

''Their forecasts for earnings per share are generally in the range of 85 cents to 95 cents for continuing operations, excluding our Sacramento environmental settlement and other special items. That would be roughly equal to 1989. Including special items would add another 57 cents. Two weeks ago we would have expected to be near the top end of that range. We were surprised by the wave of automotive assembly plant shut downs announced after fairly strong mid-October vehicle sales. We are still assessing the impact of those shut downs on November, but we would now expect to be at the lower end of the analysts range.''

In looking ahead to 1991, Reynolds said the company is approaching the year with a great deal of caution. ''For planning purposes, we are looking for a flat year in terms of sales and operating profit,'' he said. Reynolds indicated that sales and operating profit for Aerojet, the company's aerospace/defense segment, should be about equal in 1991 to its sales and operating profit for 1990.

GenCorp is a technology-based company with strong positions in aerospace, automotive and related polymer products.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The 15th ship in a series of 19 Aegis guided missile cruisers being built for the U.S. Navy by Litton's Ingalls Shipbuilding division will be christened Anzio at Ingalls' Pascagoula, Miss., production facility on Saturday, Nov. 10.

The name Anzio commemorates the World War II action of U.S. and Allied forces in four months of battles against German troops in the Anzio-Nettuno beachhead area of Italy leading to the breakout toward Rome in May 1944.

The 567-foot, 9,500-ton ship, designated CG-68, is equipped with the Aegis combat system, the world's most advanced air defense system for surface ships. The vessel also is equipped with a below-deck vertical launching system capable of firing missiles against air, surface and undersea threats.

Four gas turbine jet engines, generating a total of 80,000 shaft horsepower, will drive the ship to speeds in excess of 30 knots.

Lead builder for this class of ships, Ingalls has delivered 13 of the 19 Ticonderoga (CG-47) class Aegis cruisers it has been contracted to produce.

In addition to construction of six more Aegis cruisers, including Anzio, Ingalls is currently contracted to build six Aegis destroyers and three 40,500-ton Wasp class amphibious assault ships for the Navy.

Since 1975, Ingalls has delivered 54 newly constructed major surface combatant ships to the Navy, including destroyers, cruisers and amphibious assault ships.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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ALBANY, NEW YORK (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Lawrence Insurance Group Inc.'s (LIG) (AMSE:LWR) net earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $2,010,000, as compared with net earnings of $949,000 for the same period in 1989.

Earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were consistent with the average of $2,024,000 experienced during the first two quarters of 1990. Operating results for the third quarter of 1990 reflected the positive impact on earnings generated as a result of LIG's acquisition of United Republic Reinsurance Co. (URRC) during the fourth quarter of 1989.

Per share earnings increased to 14 cents on 14,121,482 shares outstanding from 9 cents on 10,963,587 shares for the same quarter last year.

Gross premiums earned increased 41 percent over the third quarter of 1989. Consolidation of URRC's financial data with LIG for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 accounted for 26 percent, and 15 percent was contributed by United Community Insurance Co. and Senate Insurance Co.

Net premiums earned increased by 102 percent reflecting the combined benefit of increased gross premiums and the fact that less reinsurance was purchased, thus keeping more of the business in-house.

Net investment income rose 60 percent reflecting the increase in the average invested asset base between the third quarters of 1990 and 1989. Total operating expenses rose in approximately the same proportion as the increase in net premiums earned.

On a year-to-date basis, net earning for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 63 percent to $6,058,000 from $3,722,000 for the same period in 1989. Earnings per share increased 26 percent to 43 cents on 14,121,482 shares outstanding from 34 cents on 10,963,587 shares.

Through its subsidiaries, Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. is currently licensed or accredited in 45 states and Washington, D.C. with applications in process in the remainder. The company's common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol LWR. The group is comprised of United Community Insurance Co.; United Republic Reinsurance Co.; Senate Insurance Co.; and Commercial Resources Insurance Co.

Executive offices of Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. are located at 500 Fifth Avenue, in New York City, while the operating headquarters is at 33 Elk Street Albany, New York.

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BLUE BELL, PA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. Tuesday announced the V460, a new dual-processor model for its V400 line of mainframe computers.

The new system was unveiled to customers last week during a semiannual conference sponsored by CUBE Inc., a North American association of Unisys systems users.

The new Unisys V460 boosts the performance of the single-processor V430 by nearly 80 percent, expanding the onsite, in-cabinet growth range of the V400 series to 3.6 times the performance of the entry-level V410. Current users of V430 systems can upgrade to a V460 in just hours with the new V436 field kit.

The V460 system consists of two central processing units (CPUs) based on Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor (CMOS) technology, 20MB of main memory (expandable to 40MB) featuring 1Mbit Dynamic Random Access Memory (DRAM) chip technology, an I/O subsystem that has a combined data transfer rate of up to 16MB per second, and a maintenance subsystem built around a Unisys B28 workstation.

The V460 is object-code compatible with previously released Unisys (Burroughs) B2900/B3900/B4900 and V300/V400/V500 mainframes.

Unisys V Series mainframes are general-purpose data processing computers designed for transaction-intensive applications in batch and real-time environments. V Series processors are integral components of Unisys Corp.'s

industry-leading check and check image processing (InfoImage IIPS) systems.
Availability and Pricing

The Unisys V460 mainframe computer will be available in March, 1991. Pricing starts at $535,000.

CONTACT: Unisys Corp., Blue Bell
Ed Johnson, 215/986-5367

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WOODBURY, NY (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - International Bankcard Services Corp. (OTC:IBSC) has completed the acquisition of Valex International Inc., and simultaneously Valex International Inc. has completed its acquisition of the assets of Allied Electronics Corp. for the total sum of one million dollars, to be paid out over a 10 year period.

The acquisition of Valex International Inc. will add assets in excess of $1 million to International Bankcard Services Corp., along with providing IBSC strategic diversification in accordance with its corporate development plans. Management of Valex will continue on a long term relationship.

Valex International Inc. will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of International Bankcard Services Corp. and seek to develop acquisitions that will increase its asset base.

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Robert Feuerzeig, 516/364-1484

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IRVINE, CALIF (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Startel Corp. (NASDAQ:STAS) Tuesday announced results from operations for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, with revenues of $1,106,000, down 42 percent from $1,916,000 in the same period of 1989.

Net loss for the third quarter was $562,000 compared with income of $101,000 in the same period of 1989. Related loss per share for the third quarter was 12 cents per share compared with earnings of 3 cents per share in the same period of 1989.

Results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, included revenues of $4,832,000, down 14 percent from $5,596,000 in same period of 1989. Net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $438,000 compared with a loss of $848,000 in the same period of 1989.

Related loss per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was 9 cents per share compared with a loss of 18 cents per share in the same period of 1989.

Don Berry, chairman of the board of Startel, stated that the decline in revenues in the third quarter was attributable primarily due to reduced capital spending by customers as a result of uncertainty regarding the U.S. economy and the international situation.

Additionally, the company embarked on a program to strengthen its sales and marketing organization through professional consultation, reorganization, education and training. The changes associated with this program also had a negative impact on the third-quarter results.

It is anticipated that this investment will have a positive impact on the company's future revenues and profitability.

Startel continues to maintain a strong balance sheet with over $800,000 in cash and no bank debt. The company is committed to maintaining its leadership in providing telemessaging systems to hospitals, universities, executive suites and telephone answering bureaus.

Startel manufactures and markets telecommunications systems with integrated voice, data, database and networking capabilities. Startel has installed to-date approximately 1000 systems worldwide in corporations, executive suites hospitals, telemarketing centers and telephone answering bureaus.

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ROUYN-NORANDA, QUEBEC (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Lyon Lake Mines Ltd. (ME: LLL) announces that additional drilling and trench sampling results were received from the Beta Vargas property in Costa Rica.

Lyon Lake has the right to acquire a 50% interest from Black Cliff Mines Ltd. in this property and in three other properties totalling 78 square kilometers. Results from drill hole No.4, located 50 meters north of drill hole No. 1 which had intersected 59 feet at 0.035 oz/st in gold, are as follows:

Drill Hole No. 4	Meters	Feet	Oz/st Au
From 9.1 m to 21.3 m	12.2	40	0.084
From 68.0 m to 69.2 m	1.2	4	0.207

Because of problems encountered with the recovery of the drill core due to ground conditions, the hole had to be stopped at 69.2 meters.

Drill hole No. 2, located 50 meters east of hole No.4, had to be stopped at only 31 meters without having reached the favorable horizon. Drill hole No. 3, located 50 meters west of drill hole 90-4, did not intersect significant values. At the same time however, trenching carried out more to the south of hole No. 3 indicated an average of 0.123 oz/st in gold over 65 feet.

Drilling continues on the property and sampling and geological reconnaissance work is being carried out on the adjacent properties, Canamazo and Nancital. A bulk sample will also be done in November on the Beta Vargas property in order to conduct heap leaching tests in Canadian laboratories.

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DAYTON, OHIO (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of DPL Inc. Tuesday declared a quarterly dividend of 39 cents per share payable Dec. 1 to common stockholders of record on Nov. 20.

This action continues the annualized dividend rate of $1.56 per share.

DPL Inc. is a holding company whose principal subsidiary is The Dayton Power and Light Co., an electric and natural gas utility serving 24 counties in West Central Ohio.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Source Capital Inc. (NYSE:SOR) has declared a quarterly distribution of 90 cents per share on the company's common stock, payable Dec. 15 to shareholders of record as of the close of business Nov. 23.

A regular quarterly income dividend of 60 cents per share was declared on the company's preferred stock, also payable Dec. 15 to shareholders of record as of the close of business Nov. 23.

Source Capital Inc. is a Los Angeles-based closed-end investment company managed by First Pacific Advisors Inc., an Angeles company.

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AKRON, OHIO (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Russell E. Palmer, chairman and chief executive officer of The Palmer Group and chairman of The Huntsman Center for Global Competition and Leadership of The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia, has been elected to the board of directors of The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company.

The Palmer Group is a private Philadelphia-based firm investing in small and medium-size businesses.

From 1983 to 1990, Palmer was dean and Reliance Professor of Management and Private Enterprise at The Wharton School. Earlier, he was managing director and CEO of Touche Ross International and managing partner and CEO of Touche Ross & Co. (U.S.A.).

Born in Jackson, Mich., he received a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University in 1956. He also has an honorary master's degree from the University of Pennsylvania, an honorary DCS degree from Drexel University and honorary doctorates from Chulalongkorn University in Thailand, York College and the Free University of Brussels.

Palmer serves on the boards of directors of Alco Standard Corp., Allied-Signal Inc., Bankers Trust New York Corp., Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., GTE Corp., Imasco Ltd., May Department Stores Co. and Safeguard Scientifics Inc. A member of the advisory panel of the Comptroller General of the United States and the associates council of Oxford Business School, Oxford University, he also is a board member of The Conference Board, The Huntsman Center and the SEI Center for Advanced Studies in Management, among other professional affiliations.

Palmer also is active in a wide variety of civic organizations and has been honored by the Salvation Army, Boy Scouts of America, United Jewish Appeal-Federation of Jewish Philanthropics, Michigan State University, Brandeis University and Beta Theta Pi.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Leisure Concepts Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:LCIC) Tuesday announced that the proposed business combination between Leisure Concepts Inc. (''LCI'') and International Consumer Technologies Corp. (''ICT'') pursuant to a merger between a wholly owned subsidiary of LCI and ICT has been terminated.

LCI announced that the decision was based upon a variety of factors including current market conditions, the state of the economy and conditions of the merger agreement.

LCI is a major licensor of properties, whose common stock is traded on NASDAQ/NMS.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - For the first time, California consumers can choose MCI's long distance service to complement the 800 services offered by local telephone companies.

Through this complementary offering, subscribers to Pacific Bell's Custom 800 service or GTE's Business Line service can select MCI for the in-state, long-distance portion of their 800 calls.

''We're pleased to be able to give customers MCI quality through this arrangement with Pacific Bell and GTE,'' said George DeSola, vice president of sales and marketing. ''This complementary offering is another value-added element in our 800 service capabilities.''

Through Complementary 800 service, consumers can combine features offered by Pacific Bell or GTE with MCI's advanced 800 services, including tailored call coverage and flat-rate distance-sensitive pricing.

In addition, customers have the flexibility to pinpoint areas in California in which to offer toll-free access. The service is available through a single call to the customer's local telephone company.

MCI's own family of 800 services includes Personal 800, which was introduced last month. The service provides residential customers with 800 calls directly to their homes for a single, low, per-minute rate, regardless of distance of calls or number of calls made. Personal 800 service is only available by calling MCI.

MCI Communications Corp., the nation's second-largest long-distance telecommunications company, maintains its Pacific Division headquarters in San Francisco, and serves residential and business customers with domestic and international communications services.

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Michelle Payer, 415/978-1152

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MILWAUKEE (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Power's net earnings for fiscal 1990 were $19.6 million, or $1.48 per share, which included $7.0 million, or 52 cents per share, of non-cash amortization and asset write-up depreciation charges from recent acquisitions.

1989 net earnings were $19.8 million, or $1.51 per share, which included $2.6 million of amortization and asset write-up depreciation charges and a net $1.6 million of favorable unusual items.

Without these charges and unusual items, Applied Power's ''cash profits'' in 1990 were $26.6 million, or $2.00 per share, up 28 percent compared to 1989 ''cash profits'' without unusual items of $20.8 million, or $1.58 per share.

Earnings for Applied Power's 1990 fourth quarter were $5.0 million, or 38 cents per share. Cash profits as defined above were $6.7 million, or 51 cents per share, and were 11 percent higher than the equivalent number for ongoing operations in 1989.

Earnings in the 1989 fourth quarter were $4.6 million, or 35 cents per share. Cash profits in the 1989 fourth quarter without unusual items were $6.1 million, or 46 cents per share.

Total net sales for 1990 were $445.4 million, up 81 percent over sales of $246.2 million in 1989. Orders in 1990 were $446.1 million, up 69 percent over $263.2 million in 1989. Sales in the fourth quarter of 1990 were $111.1 million, up 32 percent over $84.3 million in 1989. Orders in the fourth quarter were $108.9 million, 20 percent above $90.7 million in 1989.

Fourth-quarter orders for Enerpac, Power-Packer, GB Electrical and APITECH segments were up 8 percent, 17 percent, 18 percent and 62 percent, respectively, over the fourth quarter of 1989. The Barry Controls and Wright Line segments, acquired on June 28, 1989, as part of the acquisition of the Barry Wright Corp., are not comparable.

Richard G. Sim, the chief executive officer of Applied Power, noted that the improvement of orders for Applied Power's traditional business in the fourth quarter as well as early indications of continued improvement in the first quarter of 1991 demonstrates the importance of Applied Power's global reach to cushion the effects of recession in parts of the world. While orders in the U.S. businesses remain about even with last year, orders in Europe and Asia continue to improve strongly in local currencies and are further increased due to the current weakening of the U.S. dollar.

Total debt at year end was $195.2 million, down $3.6 million from the end of the third quarter. During the fourth quarter Applied Power completed a $75 million 10-year private placement to reduce commercial paper by an equal amount. The company also finalized transfer of approximately $50 million of debt to outside the U.S. into subsidiary debt in local currencies to take advantage of U.S. tax regulations and to provide a better hedge against currency fluctuations.

Applied Power is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the APWRA symbol. Applied Power is a global company which manufactures and distributes tools, equipment, systems, components and consumable items to manufacturing, construction, transportation, mobile equipment, aircraft, natural resource, specialized machinery and office markets.

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SEYMOUR, IN (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The annual meeting of shareholders of Home Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ:HOMF) was held Tuesday, Oct. 30, in Seymour.

All proposals brought before the meeting received shareholder approval. John K. Keach Jr., president and chief operating officer of Home Federal; and David W. Laitinen M.D. were elected directors of Home Federal. Eugene C. Burke, a director since 1972, retired from the board at the close of the annual meeting.

The reorganization of Home Federal into the holding company form of ownership was approved by shareholders. Home Federal will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Home Federal Bancorp, a newly formed Indiana corporation. The effective date of the reorganization is expected to be Dec. 1, 1990.

Shareholders will have the option to exchange Home Federal stock certificates for holding company stock certificates. Instructions with respect to the voluntary exchange of these stock certificates will be sent to all shareholders of record after the effective date of the reorganization.

Also amended was Home Federal's charter to change the address of its home office from 211 N. Chestnut St., Seymour; to 222 W. Second St., Seymour.

Home Federal is an FDIC insured savings bank founded in 1908, currently operating 14 full-service offices in southeastern Indiana, with total assets of $516 million.

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#90310b0240 11/06/1990 ~Business Wire
WALNUT CREEK, CA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Air Liquide America announced an increase to its existing price schedules for bulk liquid and gaseous oxygen, nitrogen, argon, hydrogen and carbon dioxide supplied to U.S. customers to be effective Dec. 1, 1990. This increase applies to both the National Price Schedule and the Western U.S. Schedule for California, Nevada, and Arizona.

The new price schedules reflect a ten percent increase on all gases. Air Liquide America is also removing discounts so the actual increases realized by individual customers will vary depending on the relationship between their current pricing and the revised schedule. Continuing cost increases in the manufacture of industrial and medical gases made these increases necessary.

Air Liquide America is part of the world's largest industrial gas organization L'Air Liquide, S.A. Air Liquide America's operations within the United States include Liquid Air Corporation's Merchant Gases Division, Big Three Merchant Gases Division, Cardox and Alphagaz.

These divisions serve the diverse needs of the semiconductor, advanced materials, laser, food, beverage, medical, pulp and paper, wastewater treatment, metallurgy, welding, research and development industries with both cryogenic and non-cryogenic gases.

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CUPERTINO, CA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Apple Computer Inc. Tuesday declared a 12 cents per share dividend for the company's fourth fiscal quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, an increase of 1 cent per share over the prior quarter dividend.

The dividend represents Apple's fifteenth consecutive quarterly dividend and is payable Dec. 14, 1990 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Nov. 23, 1990.

Apple announced on Oct. 18, 1990 earnings of $474.9 million, or $3.77 per share, for the year ended Sept. 28, 1990, on revenues of $5.558 billion. Earnings for the fourth fiscal quarter were $98.5 million, or $0.81 per share, on revenues of $1.354 billion.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Mosby-Year Book, a subsidiary of The Times Mirror Co., announced Tuesday that it has completed the purchase of the book publishing operations of B.C. Decker Inc., widely known for its titles in the field of medicine and related disciplines.

In March of this year, Mosby-Year Book acquired 45 percent of B.C. Decker's capital stock.

''B.C. Decker is noted for its innovative and high-quality books,'' said Patrick A. Clifford, Times Mirror's vice president for medical, scientific, technical and college publishing.

''This acquisition is an attractive addition to Mosby-Year Book's list of premier medical, dental and allied health titles and will significantly strengthen our worldwide sales. The quality of the B.C. Decker list and its impressive growth is testimony to the creative and well-executed strategy of its founder, Brian C. Decker.''

Brian C. Decker will continue as president of B.C. Decker, which will operate at its present Philadelphia location as a Mosby-Year Book subsidiary.

The current transaction represented the acquisition of the outstanding Decker shares not owned by Mosby-Year Book. B.C. Decker's Canadian-based journal and electronic publishing operations were not included in this transaction. Additional terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Times Mirror (NYSE/PSE:TMC), a Los Angeles-based media and information company publishes the Los Angeles Times, Newsday and New York Newsday, the Baltimore Sun newspapers, The Hartford Courant, The Morning Call, The (Stamford) Advocate and Greenwich Time. The company also has interests in broadcast and cable television, and book, magazine and other publishing.

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FRESNO, CA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - WestAir Holding Inc. (ASE:WAH), operating as United Express, Tuesday reported operating results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Operating revenues for the third quarter increased 38 percent to $67.9 million compared to the like period in 1989. The company showed an operating loss for the quarter of $1,920,000 compared to an operating income of $2,566,000 in 1989. The net loss was $1,346,000 (21 cents per share based on 6,554,000 common share equivalents) compared to 1989 net income of $1,470,000 (20 cents per share based on 7,335,000 common share equivalents).

For the third quarter of 1990, passenger boardings increased 23 percent to 787,478 compared with 640,030 in 1989. Revenue passenger miles rose 32 percent from 130,730,000 in 1989 to 172,025,000 in 1990.

Available seat miles for the period increased 36 percent from 280,463,000 in 1989 to 380,616,000 this year. Load factor decreased from 46.6 percent to 45.2 percent. Passenger journey increased 7 percent from 204 miles in 1989 to 218 miles in 1990. Yields increased 4 percent to 38 cents in 1990 compared with 37 cents for the third quarter 1989.

''A sharp rise in revenues and improved yields during the period were offset by dramatically increasing jet fuel costs and higher maintanence expense associated with expiration of manufacturer's warranties,'' said WestAir Holding Inc. Chairman Timothy P. Flynn.

''The average fuel price per gallon during the quarter was 88 cents, a 27 percent rise compared to the 70 cents a gallon we paid during the quarter last year. Fuel represented 13.2 percent of total expenses compared to 11.7 percent during the same period last year,'' Flynn said.

''With today's estimated average fuel price at $1.36 per gallon, the outlook is for greater losses for the fourth quarter and thus a loss for the year,'' Flynn added. WestAir last month announced a system-wide route realignment, an accelerated fleet modernization program and a corresponding workforce reduction in an effort to cut costs and non-productive flying.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, WestAir Holding Inc. showed a net profit of $243,000 on operating revenues of $194.4 million. Earnings per share through the nine months was 4 cents (based on 6,579,000 common share equivalents).

WestAir Holding Inc.'s airline units operate as United Express through marketing agreements with United Airlines. The company previously announced it is merging its wholly owned subsidiaries into a single airline operation with a Pacific Coast and an Atlantic Coast Division. WestAir Holding serves cities in the West and along the East Coast utilizing both jet and turbo-prop aircraft.

The company's major hubs are Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, Sacramento and Washington.

WestAir Holding Inc. is headquartered in Fresno.

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EAST HARTFORD, CT (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - KCR Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:KCRT) Tuesday filed a voluntary petition seeking reorganization under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code.

Incorporated in 1977, KCR has been engaged in the development of a high speed, non-pact printing system based on direct charge deposition technology. KCR presently maintains 18 units of its printing system with customers in various lines of business.

It intends to continue maintenance of those systems during the Chapter 11 proceedings. Recently KCR announced a down-sizing program and its withdrawal from active manufacturing and marketing of its printing system in order to focus its limited resources on further product development.

When the down-sizing program was initiated, KCR stated that its long-term viability would depend upon completion of the development of its product and the formation of a strategic partnering relationship with an entity which could provide financial, manufacturing and marketing support.

Moore Business Forms Inc., the principal stockholder of KCR, has agreed to provide funding temporarily and on a limited basis during the Chapter 11 proceeding while alternatives for the future of KCR are explored.

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Richard J. Coburn, 203/289-8618

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#90310b0323 11/06/1990 ~Business Wire
VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Corona Corp. (ToSE/VcSE/MoSE:ICR.A, ICR.B; ASE:ICR.A) Tuesday announced its board of directors has declared a dividend of 37.5 cents per share on the first preference shares Series A and a dividend of 32.5 cents per share on first preference Series C shares, payable on Dec. 31 to shareholders of record Dec. 14.

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416/862-2000

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EL SEGUNDO, Calif. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Merisel Inc. (NASDAQ:MSEL) Tuesday reported a net loss of $1,264,000, or 5 cents per share, for the third quarter, down from net income of $2,170,000, or 17 cents per share in the same period in 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, decreased to $115,000, or 1 cent per share, compared with $6,871,000, or 54 cents for the same period in 1989.

Net sales for the third quarter 1990 were $305,956,000, compared with $151,616,000 in the same period in 1989. Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased to $835,569,000, compared with $441,332,000 in the same period in 1989.

Merisel President and Chief Executive Officer Michael D. Pickett said: ''The loss is reflective of duplicate expenses associated with the merger and due to the industry's traditional summer slowdown. The increase in sales is reflective of our recent merger, continued increase in international sales and growth of the combined company.

''We concentrated our efforts this quarter on reorganizing and streamlining our operations, while establishing our new sales strategy consisting of sales divisions targeted at market segments such as VAR, Retail, Workstation, Major Accounts and Macintosh.''

Merisel, formerly Softsel/Microamerica, is one of the largest distributors of microcomputer hardware and software products to computer resellers worldwide. The company presently stocks over 7,000 products from more than 400 hardware and software manufacturers for sale to 50,000 resellers worldwide.

International operations account for approximately 30 percent of sales and consist of seven wholly-owned subsidiaries serving resellers in Canada, Europe Latin America, and Australia, in addition to a joint venture in the Soviet Union.

The company supplies products for microcomputer platforms including Apple Macintosh, IBM and compatibles, and a variety of UNIX and workstation systems, and offers a wide range of services to help resellers support these products.

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#90310b0342 11/06/1990 ~Business Wire
VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The company is pleased to announce that, after the successful completion of the financing recently

announced, the company is now trading over the counter on the US NASDAQ Exchange under the symbol MRMMF.

The company would also like to take this opportunity to update its shareholders on its two principal mineral assets.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Boole & Babbage Inc. (NASDAQ: BOOL) Tuesday announced audited results for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30.

Revenue for fiscal 1990 increased 33 percent to $93,927,000 from $70,568,000 in fiscal 1989. Fiscal 1989 revenue is net of $4,200,000 from a one-time sale of product distribution rights in Japan.

Net income for fiscal 1990 was $4,942,000, or $1.27 per share, up 25 percent from the $3,939,000, or $1.05 per share earned last year. Fiscal 1989 profit is net of $1,039,000, or 28 cents per share, from the sale of a product family and the sale of product distribution rights.

Revenue for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 was $25,273,000, a 33 percent increase from the $19,014,000 reported in the fourth quarter last year. Net income for the fourth quarter was $1,511,000, or 39 cents per share, compared to $1,350,000, or 35 cents per share, for the year-ago period.

In commenting on the results, Han Bruggeling, president and chief executive officer said, ''Fiscal 1990 was a challenging year for us. We saw relatively robust growth in our base systems software business. Although net income was up 25 percent over last year, profits would have been higher if not for the continued losses we have experienced in integrating our new network subsidiary Avant-Garde Computing.

''We're encouraged that revenues from Avant-Garde's product, Net/Command, have increased recently and expect that continued sales growth will soon lead to Avant-Garde's profitability.'' Avant-Garde recently changed its name to Boole & Babbage Network Systems.

''We continue to be very optimistic about Boole & Babbage's prospects, as more and more online organizations around the world turn to our performance management solutions,'' Bruggeling concluded.

Boole & Babbage is a leading developer and worldwide distributor of software products for automation and management of complex information systems. The company sells its products directly through its domestic sales organization, Empact Software, Boole & Babbage Computer Services, and Boole & Babbage Europe.

Internationally, the company sells its products through distributors in Australia, Japan, Korea, the Pacific Rim and Latin America.

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PURCHASE, NY (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - International Paper Tuesday announced that it has agreed to acquire the Cookson Graphics business from Cookson Group plc of the United Kingdom for approximately $215 million. (U.S.).

Cookson Graphics is a global supplier of lithographic printing plates, press-room chemicals and plate processing equipment to the commercial printing industry. It has manufacturing facilities in the U.K., Germany and the U.S. It is estimated that Cookson Graphics' 1990 sales will total approximately $300 million. The company employs 1,600 worldwide.

''The acquisition of Cookson Graphics represents a continuation of our strategy in graphic arts,'' said John A. Georges, chairman and chief executive officer of International Paper. ''Cookson Graphics' product lines complement the photosensitive papers and films made and sold by our Anitec division.

''With this acquisition, International Paper's total sales of consumables and equipment to the commercial printing industry will more than double to nearly $600 million. Together with our Ilford division, which produces professional black-and-white and color papers and films, International Paper's total sales in imaging products will exceed $900 million.''

International Paper also indicated that it expects a smooth integration between Cookson Graphics and Anitec. In the U.S., Anitec's strong dealer network will be helpful in accelerating the growth of Cookson Graphics' printing plate sales. In Europe, Anitec and Cookson Graphics both have significant sales forces and dealerships. The acquisition is expected to further increase International Paper's European penetration of both film and plate markets.

International Paper, headquartered in Purchase, N.Y., is a worldwide producer of a variety of paper and forest products. The company is a major producer of printing and writing papers, paperboard and packaging products and wood products.

The company also operates specialty products businesses and distributes paper and wood products. International Paper has manufacturing operations in 22 countries and exports its products to more than 100 nations.

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TROY, MICH. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Inacomp Computer Centers Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol: INAC) Monday announced the signing of an agreement with NEC Technologies Inc. to provide NEC's full line of products to Inacomp locations.

A major reason behind Inacomp's decision to adopt the NEC line was to provide incremental opportunities through it's franchise and company owned locations, explained Rick Inatome, Inacomp president and CEO. ''The fact that many of our locations were already selling NEC products and many potential franchises expressed interest in the product line influenced our decision,'' said Inatome. ''This product line provides additional opportunities.''

''There are numerous market opportunities that require diverse offerings for specific applications and customer sets. We feel NEC products will help us capture these new opportunities, maximizing our market penetration without displacing sales from our existing vendors,'' Inatome continued.

''NEC is delighted about our new partnership with Inacomp and confident that this will be a beneficial relationship to both parties involved,'' said Mike Anderson, executive vice president of NEC Technologies Inc. ''Inacomp's commitment to customer support and value-added solution sales will create many new opportunities for NEC to expand business.''

Inatome further stated that NEC can address several market niches with its full range of products, including desktop and laptop computers, monitors, printers and CD-ROM software and hardware.

NEC Technologies Inc. is an affiliate of NEC Corp., a $24-billion manufacturer of computer, communications, semiconductor and home entertainment products. The company is headquartered in Boxborough, Mass.

Inacomp Computer Centers Inc. markets microcomputer systems and related products and services through over 230 company owned, franchised and affiliate locations across the country. The company provides network consultation, installation, classroom training, system maintenance and repair to its customers. Inacomp also provides short-term rental and long-term leasing of microcomputer systems. Corporate offices are in Troy.

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SAN LORENZO, CALIF. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - McGrath RentCorp has released the results of operations for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

Rental revenues for the three months increased 16 percent from $7,458,806 in 1989 to $8,667,655 in 1990 and increased 19 percent for the nine months from $21,217,690 in 1989 to $25,214,273 in 1990. Significant increases in sales were reported in both the three and six month periods.

Earnings for the three month period increased 48 percent from $1,795,430 in 1989 to $2,663,489 in 1990 with earnings per share increasing 46 percent from 48 cents per share in 1989 to 70 cents per share in 1990.

Earnings for the nine month period increased 42 percent from $5,083,618 in 1989 to $7,193,994 in 1990 with earnings per share increasing 45 percent from $1.31 per share in 1989 to $1.90 per share in 1990.

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MILPITAS, CALIF. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Dysan International has announced it will market the Dysan brand Magneto Optical Disks (MO) worldwide, by forming a marketing alliance with Hoechst AG, one of the world's leading chemical companies, based in Germany, has invested heavily in Magneto Optical Disk technology to ensure the manufacture of high-quality, precision products.

Hoechst began marketing 5.25-inch and 3.5-inch disks worldwide in April 1990, focusing mainly on drive manufacturers and system integrators.

The Ozadisc Media factory in Wiesbaden, West Germany, has a production capacity of more than 1 million disks per year. The Ozadisc Business Unit is part of the Technical Information Systems Division, with 22 production facilities worldwide, as well as marketing and technology centers in North America and the Far East.

Overall, Hoechst employs 169,000 people worldwide in production, research and development, and marketing. Six thousand people are active within research and development with a budget of 2.6 billion DM (US $1.6 billion) in 1989. The Hoechst Group is a major producer of chemicals, colors, fibers, polymers, pharmaceuticals, agriculture and engineering products with sales of 46 billion

DM (US $28 billion) in 1989.

Dysan International will market the Dysan brand Magneto Optical Disks through their established distribution channels for flexible disks. ''We seized the opportunity to market Magneto Optical Disks in order to continue our growth in the high technology industry of removable storage media,'' stated Phil Micciche, president of Dysan International.

With headquarters in Milpitas, Dysan International is the worldwide distributor of Dysan, Precision, StorageMaster, XM2 and Xidex brand flexible disks, with five sales offices in the United States, as well as subsidiaries in Canada, the United Kingdom, Germany, Australia and Hong Kong.

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CUPERTINO, CALIF. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Motorola Commercial Systems Division (CSD) announced it will debut at COMDEX/Fall a prototype of a new integrated imaging and facsimile package for the company's MultiPersonal computer.

Motorola will demonstrate the prototype of the MultiPersonal's new imaging system at COMDEX/Fall (booth 1088, Main Hall) in Las Vegas, Nov. 12-16. The product will be available in the first quarter of 1991.

Motorola executives claim the new hardware and software features of the imaging system will help the company continue to compete aggressively in the growing corporate publishing and office automation markets. Dataquest, a San Jose-based market research firm, expects the market for electronic publishing equipment to grow to $75 billion in the next 10 years.

''The MultiPersonal computer's bundled networking and graphics capabilities, combined with its high performance, make it a natural platform for corporate publishing and office automation applications,'' said Warren Blossom, CSD vice president of marketing.

The new integrated package will allow MultiPersonal computer users to scan or import images, enhance them visually while displayed on the screen and then place the image in a document that can be printed or sent anywhere in the world through an online facsimile capability.

According to Blossom, while similar imaging/facsimile capabilities are available by combining several stand-alone PC publishing packages or by investing in expensive, proprietary high-end systems, Motorola will be the first to offer these enhancements in a networked and integrated

hardware/software package based on open computing standards.

When the product becomes available next year, all imaging, scanning and facsimile software modules will also be integrated with the applications that are bundled with the MultiPersonal computer.

The Commercial Systems Division of the Motorola Computer Group, based in Cupertino, designs and manufactures commercial workstations and network servers, multiuser workgroup systems and turnkey hardware/software solutions -- all based on ''open'' standards -- for commercial and government markets. These products are marketed to end users, value-added resellers, distributors and original equipment manufacturers.

Motorola Inc. is one of the world's leading providers of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets. Products include two-way radios, pagers, cellular telephone systems, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronics equipment, computers, data communications, and information processing and handling equipment.

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IRVINE, CA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - BoMed Medical Manufacturing Ltd. (NASDAQ:BOMD) premiered its CardioDynamic Manager/Central Nursing Station (CDM/CNS) system, the first non-invasive bedside hemodynamic patient monitoring and management system, during the 1990 American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) meeting, recently held in Las Vegas.

The CDM/CNS system allows nurses to monitor and hemodynamically manage up to four patients at a time from the central nursing station or from the patient's bedside.

The system's technology originated from BoMed's CardioDynamic Data Processing (CDDP) system. CDM/CNS is a real-time, non-invasive and non-occlusive hemodynamic patient management system that uses electrical bioimpedance to measure the patient's hemodynamic parameters -- global blood flow and mean arterial blood pressure.

The CDM/CNS system measures the patient's hemodynamics by using electronic data gathered by strategically placed electrodes, which use the patient's thorax as a transducer.

The data are displayed in two easy reading charts -- the Therapeutic Management Page (TMP), which processes the patient status in relation to the ideal hemodynamic state and calculates deviations in volume, inotropy and vasoactivity, and the Diagnostic Page (DP), which incorporates bar graphs displaying hemodynamic and cardiodynamic parameters in respect to the established normal range for each.

The CDM/CNS system measures mean arterial blood pressure and cardiac index in real time with the same clinical accuracy as invasive methods, yet has been considered a safer, non-invasive alternative to the invasive procedures.

Its numerous applications range from preoperative assessment to intraoperative and postoperative patient management in intensive care, cardiology, OB/GYN, anesthesia, hypertension and others.

BoMed is a leader in the field of non-invasive cardiodynamic monitoring and patient management. The company develops, manufactures and markets technically advanced instruments for a broad range of patient monitoring and therapeutic management applications.

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RIDGEWOOD, NY (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Quarex Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:QRXI) announced Tuesday increased sales and earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 28 1990.

In addition, Quarex announced combined sales and earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990 prepared on a pro-forma combined basis with the sales and earnings reported by PSL Foods Inc. and affiliates with respect to its retail food business.

Quarex had previously announced that it has agreed in principle to combine with the retail food business of PSL.

Quarex reported net sales of $52,491,379 for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 28, 1990 as compared to $49,411,385 for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1989.

Quarex's net income of $501,559 for the 13 weeks of 1990 showed an increase of 8 percent over the net income of $463,141 during the 1989 period. Quarex's per share earnings increased to 14 cents in the 1990 quarter from the 13 cents reported in the 1989 quarter.

For the 39 weeks ended Sept. 28, 1990, Quarex's net sales increased to

$150,993,932 from $143,903,000 reported for the same period in 1989, an increase of 5 percent.

Quarex's net income for the 39 weeks of 1990 rose to $1,450,679, an increase of 25 percent over the $1,160,386 reported for the same period of 1989. As a result Quarex's per share earnings for the 39 weeks of 1990 rose to 41 cents, an increase of 8 cents per share over the earnings of 33 cents per share reported for the the same period of 1989.

For the quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, on a pro-forma combined basis, net income of Quarex and PSL totaled $1,116,004 on sales of $67,922,110.

The per share earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990 is calculated as 22 cents.

On a pro-forma combined basis net income of Quarex and PSL for the 39 weeks of 1990 totaled $2,836,818 on sales of $192,343,213. The per share earnings for the 39 weeks is calculated at 57 cents.

Additionally, PSL announced that on Oct. 29, 1990 it had opened an additional western beef store in the Springfield Gardens section of Queens, N.Y.

It is anticipated that this unit will add significantly to both sales and profits.

Jules Verner, Quarex treasurer, stated that Quarex anticipates additional growth during the balance of 1990 and also into 1991.

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MONTGOMERY, AL (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - At its quarterly board meeting, Colonial BancGroup's (OTC:CLBGA) board of directors approved payment of its regular dividend of 15 cents on Class A common stock and 5 cents on Class B common stock.

The dividends will be paid on Nov. 13, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 6, 1990.

Colonial BancGroup chairman and chief executive officer Robert E. Lowder announced that net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $2,384,000, representing earnings of 37 cents per share. These figures compared with net income of $778,000 for third quarter 1989, representing earnings of 12 cents per share.

Income increased to $6,655,000 for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $4,027,000 for the previous year. Earnings through September 1990 showed a gain of more than 64 percent, from 62 cents per share in 1989 to $1.02 per share.

The year-to-date income statement includes an extraordinary tax credit of $958,000 from utilization of a net operating loss carry-forward from 1989.

Colonial contributed $4,220,000 in loan loss provisions to its reserves during the first nine months of 1990, compared with $2,129,000 in 1989. The company's total loan loss reserve stands at $14,878,000, or 1.41 percent of net loans.

In addition to improvements in income, Colonial showed increases in total deposits and loans for the first three quarters of 1990. Total deposits grew from $1,278,340,000 in 1989 to $1,318,218,000 by Sept. 30, 1990. During the same period, net loans increased 5.5 percent, from $1,003,636,000 to $1,058,873,000.

For the first three quarters, BancGroup's return on average assets improved to .60 percent in 1990, compared with .37 percent in 1989. Return on average equity increased to 11.95 percent by Sept. 30, 1990, compared with only 4.68 percent in 1989.

Colonial BancGroup is an Alabama-based bank holding company with 71 offices and assets totaling $1,506,026,000.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Vencor Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:VCOR) Tuesday announced that it has agreed to purchase Outer Drive Hospital in Detroit.

The acquisition is subject to state regulatory approval, but is expected to be completed by the close of 1990.

Vencor specializes in providing long-term hospital care for patients who suffer from medically complex and catastrophic illness. With the acquisition of Vencor Hospital-Detroit, the company will be operating 12 hospitals in Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Michigan and Texas. Vencor's common shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol VCOR.

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MENLO PARK, CA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Raychem Corp. Tuesday announced the election of six new corporate officers.

Elected to the position of vice president are Charles J. Abbe, Stephen A. Balogh, Michael B. Sullivan, Eric Van Zele and John ''Jack'' A. Webb. Elected to the position of corporate controller is Deidra D. Barsotti.

Abbe is now vice president, strategic planning. He joined Raychem in 1989 and has served as director of logistics and strategic planning. Abbe came to Raychem from a position as a director at McKinsey & Company Inc., an international management consulting firm. He has a master of business administration from Stanford University and chemical engineering degrees from Cornell University.

Balogh is vice president, human resources. He joined Raychem in 1973 and has recently served as general manager of the Chemelex division. Balogh also has worked for Raychem in strategic and business planning, sales and marketing posts in the United States and Europe. He has a master of business administration from Stanford University and chemical engineering degrees from Cornell University.

Sullivan is vice president and general manager of the Electrical Products division, which develops and manufactures products for electrical utilities worldwide. He has served as general manager and European manager for the division.

Sullivan, who joined the company in 1968, also has served in sales and business planning roles. Sullivan has degrees in chemistry from Colgate University and the Rensselaar Polytechnic Institute.

Van Zele is vice president and general manager of the Ultratec division with headquarters in the company's Kessel-lo, Belgium, facility. He joined the company in 1972 and has been serving as general manager of the division, which develops, manufactures and markets products to the gas and water utilities and pipeline industries.

Van Zele also has worked in sales, marketing and product development posts for Raychem. He has degrees in electrical and mechanical engineering from the University of Louvain in Belgium.

Webb is a vice president in Raychem's Telecommunications division, which develops and makes products for telephone and television cable utilities. Webb joined Raychem in 1957 and has worked in sales, marketing, manufacturing

and general management positions for the Telecommunications division. He has a marketing degree from Hofstra College.

Barsotti is corporate controller for Raychem. She joined the company in 1986 and has worked as assistant corporate controller and the accounting operations manager. Prior to joining Raychem, she served as corporate controller for BRAE Corp. of San Francisco. She has a degree in business from the University of California at Berkeley.

Raychem Corp. of Menlo Park is a materials sciences company with 11,000 employees in 47 countries and sales of $1.1 billion in fiscal 1990. The company develops, manufacture and markets high-performance products utilizing specialized materials for electronic, industrial and telecommunications applications.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - IDB Aero-Nautical Communications Inc. (IDB-A), a supplier of mobile communications services via Inmarsat satellite to the maritime industry, has signed a contract with Cruisephone Ltd., a leading supplier of cellular telecommunications to the cruise industry, for the exclusive provision of services to the pleasure cruise and private yacht markets worldwide.

Cruisephone will act as IDB-A's exclusive agent for the marketing, operation and accounting of IDB-A's phone, facsimile and telex satellite communications services to the cruise line and mega-yacht industries.

Maritime operators outfitted with Cruisephone cellular equipment and satellite communications terminals will be allowed access to IDB-A's satellite earth station network from any ocean region.

Interface equipment provided by Cruisephone will automatically switch calls originating from outside cellular operating areas to IDB-A's facilities. IDB-A's mobile telecommunications network provides worldwide ocean coverage via the Inmarsat satellite system.

Cruisephone, based in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., is the leading provider of custom-designed cellular equipment systems and service to the cruise ship and charter yacht industry in the Caribbean. The company, through its affiliate, Boatphone, provides cellular service throughout the Caribbean, from the Virgin Islands to Grenada.

IDB-A markets ship-to-shore satellite communications services to maritime

users, including commerical shipping fleets, fishing vessels, pleasure cruise lines, oil rigs and tankers. Similar mobile telecommunications services are offered by IDB-A to the aviation industry.

In September, IDB-A announced agreements to initiate maritime services using the earth station facilities of both Overseas Telecommunications Ltd. of Australia for the Indian and Pacific Ocean regions and Morsviazsputnik of the Soviet Union for the Atlantic (IDB news release: 9/24/90).

IDB's Systems division has also initiated construction for IDB-A of three permanent coastal earth stations to address Inmarsat -- two in Niles Canyon, Calif., and one at IDB's teleport facilities in New York.

IDB Aero-Nautical Communications Inc. is a joint venture between IDB Communications Group Inc. (NASDAQ:IDBX) and Teleglobe International (U.S.) Inc.

IDB-A's offices are in Rockville, Md. IDB Communications Group Inc. is a leading supplier of transmission services for radio, television, data and voice communications via satellite and fiber optics.

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BUFFALO, NY (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Walter Lantz' classic cartoon character Woody Woodpecker, will have his own line of school supplies next year.

New Age Pad & Paper Inc., the newly acquired licensed products division of The Colad Group Inc., has struck a deal with Merchandising Corporation of America Inc. (worldwide licensing division of MCA Inc.) to market a line of environmentally safe school products featuring Woody, his girlfriend Winnie Woodpecker, his nephew Knothead and niece Splinter, as well as Chilly Willy, Andy Panda and other friends created by Lantz.

Woody, who turned 50 this year as Lantz was celebrating his 90th birthday, is the spokescharacter for The National Parks And Conservation Association, as well as for Los Angeles County recycling programs. He is also the corporate recycling mascot for MCA/Universal Studios.

The new school supply line, that includes a number of items such as two-pocket portfolios and theme books made from recycled paper, will feature Woody in a variety of situations that demonstrate ways kids and their parents can be environmentally responsible. A portion of the profits will be donated by New Age in the name of participating retailers to environmental groups and associations.

President Miles Rothman thinks New Age is in a perfect position to teach, remind, and focus attention on environmental issues. "This is the first time a licensed cartoon character has been used to promote environmentally safe products," said Rothman. "Cleaning up the environment is a very important subject, especially for kids. Woody will help make pro-environmental lifestyles and work habits fun."

As the nation's premiere manufacturer and supplier of licensed school supplies and paper goods, with distribution in over 150,000 retail locations in the United States and Canada, New Age and its 46-year-old parent were among the first to take an aggressive stand on the side of environmentally safe products. Rothman declares openly that there is nothing altruistic in this approach.

"What we are doing is right. It makes sense from a clean Earth point of view and it makes sense from a marketing point of view. It has the potential for lowering costs of raw materials, therefore prices, over the long haul. And, in this sense we are merely marketing what we do, what we are and what we believe in," he said.

The Colad Group, was among the first paper products companies to convert to recyclable products. Most of its paper products are biodegradable and recyclable. The polypropylene film used to coat outer covers and create rich glossy colors is recyclable. Its specially formulated adhesives are water soluble, eliminating volatile organic compound emissions that would otherwise occur.

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BREA, CALIF. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - UnionFed Financial Corp. (NYSE:UFF), parent of Union Federal Savings Bank (the ''Bank''), Tuesday reported earnings for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 of $906,000, or 12 cents per share fully diluted.

This compares with earnings of $5.1 million, or 73 cents per share, in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The decline in earnings was due primarily to reductions in net interest income real estate operations income and other non-operating income.

Net interest income was $10.7 million for the quarter, compared with $11.5 million one year earlier. This decline was principally due to the classification of $100 million of loans, before charge-offs, as foreclosures for accounting purposes at June 30, 1990. Any interest received on these

loans is included in real estate operations.

Non-performing assets before loss reserves were $124 million at Sept. 30, 1990 including non-accrual loans of $17 million and real estate owned (including loans treated as foreclosures for accounting purposes) of $107 million, compared with $119.2 million at June 30, 1990.

Allowances for losses on loans and real estate totaled $23.2 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

The ratio of stockholders' equity to assets was 5.5 percent at Sept. 30, 1990, unchanged from June 30, 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the Bank's investment in Uni-Cal Financial was $100 million $50 million of which was deducted from regulatory capital. The Bank intends to sell the real estate investments of Uni-Cal Financial as rapidly as market conditions permit.

UnionFed Financial is the holding company for Union Federal Savings Bank, a federally chartered savings bank with $2.5 billion in assets and 27 branches in Southern California.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - EnServ Corp. (TSE: ESV) Tuesday announced that it has purchased all of the shares of Energy Industries Ltd. of Calgary for $6.9 million cash.

The acquisition positions EnServ as one of the major suppliers of compression equipment to the Canadian natural gas industry. At the time of acquisitions Energy Industries Ltd's current assets exceeded current liabilities and debt by approximately $1 million.

Energy Industries Ltd. is a well-managed,successful compressor supply company which has been supplying the Canadian natural gas industry with quality products and services since 1972. The business activities of the company include the sale, rental, packaging and servicing of natural gas compressors and compressor components.

Energy Industries Ltd. is the Canadian distributor for the Energy Industries line of compressors which will continue to be supplied to EnServ on an ongoing basis by Energy Industries Inc. of Corpus Christie, Texas, under an exclusive,

long-term licensing arrangement.

The company continues to be managed by Mr. Bruce Herron, vice president and general manager, together with his management team. Given the prior success of the company's business operations and its favourable positioning in the industry, no changes in the operation are contemplated as a result of the purchase.

EnServ has also reached an agreement in principle with a major financial institution for financing in the amount of $5 million. The financing is subject to regulatory approval, finalization of documentation and final approval of the financial institution.

The funds will be advanced pursuant to an unsecured debenture maturing Nov. 30 1995, and will bear interest at the rate of 7 1/2 percent per annum. The debenture is structured in a manner similar to a convertible debenture, however, the financing provides that EnServ shall issue to the financial institution warrants to purchase 833,333 common shares of EnServ.

The warrants are exercisable at any time prior to maturity of the debenture at a price of $6.00 per share and any proceeds received by EnServ upon execution of the warrants will be applied to repayment of the debenture.

EnServ is a diversified, financially strong, Canadian oilfield service company whose shares are listed on The Toronto Stock Exchange (ESV).

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - IG Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ:IGLI) Tuesday reported a sharp rise in total revenues to $1,018,000 for the third quarter 1990, up 5 times from the same quarter 1989, and $2,077,000 for nine months ended September 1990.

Service revenues for the third quarter 1990, were $446,000, a seven-fold increase over the same period in 1989. Research revenues more than doubled to $299,000 for the third quarter 1990. Net losses for the third quarter were reduced by nearly 50 percent to $375,000, or 7 cents per share. These quarterly losses are attributed to resources invested to increase the levels of business activities.

In October 1990, the company expanded its operations into the southeast region of the U.S. through the acquisition of Genetics Associates in Miami, Fla., and also continued to increase its staff. The company intends to continue its operating strategy of agressively pursuing the acquisition of additional

regional laboratories located strategically throughout the United States.

IG Laboratories, headquartered in Framingham, Mass., provides genetic testing services to hospitals, clinical laboratories, genetic centers, physicians and health maintenance organizations located throughout the United States. The company is focused on prenatal genetic testing enables physicians to screen for and detect major genetic abnormalities.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Aon Corporation Tuesday announced financial results for the third quarter and nine months of 1990.

Patrick G. Ryan, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''Third quarter net income was 93 cents per share, an increase of 5 cents from last year's 88 cents. After tax income excluding realized investment gains was 92 cents per share in the quarter compared with 87 cents per share in last year's third quarter.''

Ryan continued, ''Third quarter revenue was $653.2 million, an increase of 10.3 percent from the prior year reflecting reasonably good growth in all business lines. Premiums earned and policy fees rose 10.6 percent to $386.4 million. Net investment income was up 10.1 percent to $168.9 million. Pretax realized investment gains totaled $1.1 million. Brokerage commissions, fees, and other were $96.8 million, a gain of 9.4 percent over last year. Benefits and expenses increased 10.8 percent to $569.5 million.

''The gain in total revenues and higher benefits and expenses resulted in a 7.1 percent increase in income before income tax to $83.7 million for the third quarter compared with $78.1 million in the prior year. Our tax rate this year is 26.5 percent compared to 26 percent for 1989.

''Net income totaled $61.5 million, up 6.4 percent from last year. Average shares outstanding increased 0.8 percent principally as a result of the Martin Boyer acquisition in the first quarter of this year.''

Ryan commented on segment revenue results, ''Our operating units made good progress during the quarter. Life revenues rose 13 percent largely as the result of strong annuity sales. Accident and Health revenues rose 10.3 percent reflecting the continuing growth of Combined's operations augmented by favorable exchange rates. Another contributing factor was the continued improvement in direct response revenues resulting from the acquisition of AAA

Motor Club business. Specialty property and casualty revenues were up 16.1 percent principally from the growth in the extended automobile warranty line. The increase in brokerage revenues was mostly attributable to our employee benefits and our reinsurance intermediary businesses.

''Corporate and other revenues largely made up of investment income on corporate invested assets were down 9.1 percent due to lower yields. Corporate invested assets are comprised of tax exempt bonds, preferred and common stocks and other equities not allocated to our operating units. Dividend trading results were down approximately $5 million from the record levels in the last year's third quarter. This was the result of higher interest rates and weakening common and preferred stock prices.

''Each of our operating businesses recorded pretax income gains. Ryan concluded, ''Our third quarter results showed improvement in each of our core businesses, reflecting the balance attained in our operations. In this challenging economic environment, we continue to put heavy emphasis on expense controls, maintaining the high quality of our investment portfolios and controlling underwriting risks. These elements are vital to our future growth. We look forward to further gains for the remainder of the year and into next year.''

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KINGSTON, N.Y. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - National Micronetics Inc. (NASDAQ) announced financial results Tuesday for the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990.

For the first fiscal quarter, the company reported sales of $5,878,000 a net loss of $1,546,000, compared to prior year first quarter sales of $8,979,000 and a net loss of $632,000.

In an effort to stem losses and turn the company around, drastic cuts in overhead were made during the quarter as a response to lower production and sales.

The company is concentrating upon development of Metal-In-Gap technology. The company's hopes of returning to profitability are dependent upon successful completion of this effort.

As has been previously announced, a Korean company, Newmax Co. Ltd., is considering the purchase of a majority interest in the company (10.5 million shares) for a price of $4.2 milion. Bridge loans in the amount of $1.5 million by an affiliate of Newmax Co. Ltd., have been made which, in effect, will be converted into the proposed equity investment if that should take

place. The mailing of the annual report for the year ended June 30, 1990 and the scheduling of the annual shareholders meeting will take place upon consummation of the equity financing.

National Micronetics is an independent magnetic recording head manufacturer for the disk drive industry.

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TAMPA, FL (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - International Container Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: ICSI) Tuesday announced revenues and earnings for the quarter and six months ended Sept. 30.

Net sales for the quarter were $2,411,000 compared to the previous year's net sales of $2,258,000 for the like quarter representing an increase of approximately seven percent. The net income for the quarter of $135,000 or five cents per share decreased by 31.5 percent from the net income of $197,000 or seven cents per share for the like quarter of the previous year.

Net sales for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $5,083,000, an increase of $688,000 or 15.7 percent above the net sales of $4,395,000 for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The net income of $375,000, 7.4 percent of net sales, for the first six months of the current fiscal year compared to a net loss of $132,000, three percent of net sales, for the corresponding period in the previous fiscal year shows an increase of $507,000.

Net income of $375,000 for the six months ended Sept. 30 compared to net loss of $132,000, for the corresponding period in the previous fiscal year, shows an increase of $507,000. The increase in net income was basically the result of a special one time increase in depreciation required to reduce the carrying value of certain molds by $770,000 recorded during the quarter ended June 30, 1989.

Net income of $135,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30 compared to income of $197,000, for the corresponding period in the previous fiscal year, shows a decrease of $62,000. The decrease in net income was basically the result of reduced gross profit, a decrease in selling and administrative costs, and increased interest income.

International Container Systems Inc. is a major supplier of proprietary and patented plastic packaging systems for the transport and merchandising of disposable glass and PET plastic bottles and cans of soft drinks.

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BRIDGEPORT, CONN. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Connecticut Energy Corp. (NYSE:CNE) Tuesday reported net income for fiscal 1990 of $8,219,000 compared to $7,834,000 for 1989, with earnings per share of $1.33 for 1990 compared to $1.28 per share for 1989.

The company has changed its financial reporting year to a fiscal year ending Sept. 30, therefore a 12 month fiscal period for 1990 is presented for comparison to prior calendar years.

Several significant items affected the 1990 financial results, including a nonrecurring credit of $1,280,000, or 21 cents per share resulting from a change in the company's method of accounting for municipal property taxes.

Additionally, the company increased its provision for uncollectable accounts by 29 percent over 1989 to recognize the possibility of a rise in future uncollectable accounts due to a softening economy. This affected earnings by 11 cents per share.

Without this expense, the company succeeded in holding overall operating and maintenance costs to approximately the same level as 1989. Since the 1990 financial statements include the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1989, they also reflect a 17 cent per share loss arising from the nonregulated subsidiaries, including the writedown of the assets of the oil and gas operations to their net realizable value at that time.

''The heating season this past winter was a study of extremes,'' commented J.R. Crespo, chairman, president and CEO. ''After record low temperatures in December, January began the warmest winter quarter of the century.

''Since our principal subsidiary and gas distribution business, The Southern Connecticut Gas Company, typically earns the largest portion of its annual income in the January quarter, the warm weather significantly decreased heating sales volumes and therefore reduced revenues.

''We took immediate action to reduce discretionary spending, which, together with the outstanding cooperation of our employees, helped us to offset the impact of some of those revenue losses.''

Connecticut Energy Corp. is a utility and energy holding company. Its principal subsidiary provides natural gas service to over 151,000 customers in Fairfield, New Haven and Middlesex counties.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM Tuesday announced Storyboard(a) Live!, a multimedia software product for the personal computer that brings animation, motion video and enhanced presentation capabilities to business people and educators. Storyboard Live! -- the latest evolution in the Storyboard line of multimedia products for the Disk Operating System (DOS) -- enables users to create on-screen presentations that incorporate drawing, painting, animation, motion video, music and voice. Storyboard Live! also allows customers to play back audio and video without additional hardware. With this new feature, users can distribute Storyboard Live! presentations on computer diskettes for viewing by individuals with standard computer hardware configurations.

There are 34 sprites, or canned animation routines, that ship with Storyboard Live! The new Sprite Editor enables users to edit sprites and create original animation routines using a built-in sprite generator. Users can create text, pictures, graphs or charts with the sprite generator and then animate the image by clicking on one of eight motion icons. Motion Video

The Video Editor, formerly part of an add-on program from Krepec Publishing Corp., has been fully integrated into Storyboard Live! The Video Editor allows users to capture video sequences for a presentation with a video capture board and a video source such as a VCR, laser disk or video camera. Once incorporated into the program users can play back the sequences from a personal computer's hard drive.

The sequences can be created in black and white or color and can appear on the computer screen in six different sized boxes. In addition, users can overlay a pointer on video sequences to call attention to a specific portion of the picture. Full motion video can be integrated into the program by accessing a video source, such as laser disk, through the Story Editor. Audio Storyboard Live! uses RealSound(a) technology, enabling users to playback voice and music from the computer's internal speaker without additional hardware. Customers can create these files with Creative Labs Soundblaster cards.

IBM Desktop Software, based in Milford, Conn., is a unit of the IBM Applications Solutions Division. Its mission is to acquire, develop and bring to market leading application software for the personal computer.

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Koger Equity Inc. (AMEX: KE) reported revenues of $11 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, compared to $9,215,000 for the like quarter last year. Funds from operations (earnings before non-cash charges) were $6,502,000, down from the $6,819,000 reported last year.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $30,047,000, compared to $21,440,000 for the comparable period last year. Funds from operations for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $19,834,000, compared to $16,456,000 in the like period in 1989.

Koger Equity purchased 11 buildings from Koger Properties Inc. in the quarter for $30.2 million. The company now has 80 buildings containing 2.7 million net square feet. The buildings are 96 percent leased.

Koger Equity is a real estate investment trust. It owns properties in ten real estate markets in the Southeast and Southwest.

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE:PIR) announced Tuesday that an oral agreement has been reached to settle the law suit against Pier 1 Imports, Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. (AMEX:SBN), Intermark Inc. (AMEX:IMI) and the other defendents with respect to the cash tender offer at $12 a share for any and all outstanding shares of common stock of Sunbelt.

Sun Acquisitions Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Pier 1 Imports, has extended the expiration date of the tender offer to 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Friday, Nov. 16.

The expiration date of the tender offer has been extended to permit distribution to Sunbelt shareholders of supplements to Sun Acquisition's Offer to Purchase and to Sunbelt's Schedule 14D-9.

The previously scheduled expiration date of the tender offer had been Nov. 6.

Through the close of business on Nov. 2, approximately 1,585,561 shares had been tendered into the tender offer.

Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. is a chain of 96 lawn and garden centers with major market positions in the southwest United States. For the three months ended July 31, Sunbelt reported sales of $39,438,000 and net income of $4,891,000 or $1.24 per share.

Pier 1 Imports is North America's largest and fastest growing specialty retailer of decorative home furnishings and related items with 541 stores in 44 states and Canada. For the fiscal year ended March 3, Pier 1 Imports had sales of $517 million and net income of $25.5 million.

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NANUET, NY (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Singapore Telecom will enhance its international telephone credit card (ITCC) through the acquisition of a CAVIAR (Computer Assisted International Auto Re-dialler) from Executive TeleCard Ltd.

Singapore Telecom operates both the national and international telecommunications services in Singapore. Singapore has one of the most advanced telephone systems in the world, with 38 telephone lines per 100 population, and over 96 percent of international traffic are automatic direct dial traffic. Singapore Telecom is the first country to offer total nationwide ISDN service.

In addition to supplying the CAVIAR system, Executive TeleCard International has an international telephone calling card system that allows travelers to place a call with operator assistance within the United States and Canada, from the United States and Canada to virtually everywhere in the world, and from 53 countries back to the United States and Canada. It can also be used within and from 20 countries to the rest of the world on a direct-dial basis, with no operator intervention. This is a service that no other company can provide, not even AT&T!

EXTL has established toll free numbers in the 20 countries which enables a caller to enter an automated system that is voice prompted on how to place a call. The system is activated by providing a credit card number. All further voice prompts are in the language of the credit card issuer (JCB - Japanese, CartaSi - Italian, Air Travel Card - English, etc).

A security code is then entered and the international or domestic number to be called, and the call is completed. The CAVIAR then captures the billing information, and the credit card issuer is provided with a magnetic tape outlining all long distance charges for billing to their customers.

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LEVITTOWN, N.Y. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Quantech Electronics Corp. (OTC) Tuesday reported results for its second quarter and six months ended Sept. 30.

Revenues in the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $595,124, compared with $607,378 in the second quarter of the prior year. There was net income of $60,983, or 1 cent per share, versus net income of $61,474, or 1 cent per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Revenues for the first half of its current fiscal year were $1,206,587, as compared to $1,260,865 from the comparable period one year ago. During the current six-month period, the company had net income of $117,908, or 2 cents per share, as compared with net income of $249,790, or 5 cents per share, in the year-earlier period.

In the year-earlier period, the company experienced $129,535, or 3 cents per share, of extraordinary income, as compared to $17,454, or 0 cents per share, in the current period.

Quantech Electronics Corp., through its AAA Installation and Maintenance subsidiary, is the largest independent consumer electronics service organization in the greater New York metropolitan area.

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Richard S. Kalin, Chief Executive Officer, 212/888-9010

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JACKSON, MS (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - LDDS Communications Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:LDDSA) announced Tuesday that it has requested the withdrawal of its proposed offering of $50,000,000 principal amount of convertible subordinated debentures and 1,400,000 shares of common stock.

Of the shares of common stock being offered, 1,303,272 were being sold on behalf of a selling shareholder, Heller Financial Inc. The company's president, Bernard J. Ebbers, cited unfavorable market conditions in explaining the company's decision.

Ebbers said: ''We simply did not need this financing enough to accept the terms caused by deteriorating market conditions. Our basic business plan and growth strategies remain intact and will not be materially affected by the decision to withdraw this offering.''

LDDS is one of the largest regional long distance companies in the United

States and provides long distance service to customers located in 12 contiguous states in the South and Midwest. The company offers its customers 24-hour station-to-station long distance service to all points in the United States and many foreign countries.

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MONROE, LA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Century Telephone Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:CTL) Tuesday announced a 33.3 percent increase in earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 over the third quarter of 1989 and a 32.7 percent increase for the first nine months of 1990, compared with the same period in 1989.

The company stated that third quarter earnings per share rose to 24 cents from 18 cents a year ago. Third quarter 1990 net income increased 29.9 percent to $7,468,000 from $5,749,000 for the same period in 1989 and revenues from telephone, cellular and paging operations increased 12.8 percent to $62,845,000 from $55,689,000.

Earnings per share were 73 cents for the first nine months of 1990, compared with 55 cents for the first nine months of 1989. Net income increased 42.2 percent to $22,912,000 from $16,118,000 and total revenues increased 20.8 percent to $184,005,000 from $152,344,000.

The company's sale of its interest in Telecom USA in the first half of 1990 resulted in increases in nine month net income and earnings per share of $2,591,000 and 8 cents, respectively.

The gain in earnings per share for the third quarter was primarily attributable to improvement in cellular operating results, the 1989 acqusition of Universal Telephone Inc. and increased toll revenues.

Century Telephone Enterprises Inc., headquartered in Monroe, is a diversified telecommunications company with operations in 15 states.

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BURLINGTON, VT. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - John A. Cobb, president and chief executive officer of Eastern Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:VFBK), announced the board's decision to pay a cash dividend of $0.14 per share for the quarter ended Sept.

30, 1990.

The dividend will be paid on Nov. 28, 1990 to stockholders on Nov. 16, 1990.

Eastern Bancorp is the parent company of Vermont Federal Bank, FSB of Burlington, Vt. and Rockingham Bancorp of Exeter, N.H.

In making the announcement, the company also announced that its 1991 annual meeting of stockholders would be held on Wednesday, Jan. 30, 1991 in Burlington, Vt.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Sargasso Mutual Life Insurance Co. Ltd. of Hamilton, Bermuda -- the directors and officers liability carrier for mutual life insurance companies in North America -- has announced the election of board members and officers.

Newly elected to vice president positions were Joseph J. Horvath of The Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co., and James L. Wertheimer of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co.

Also newly elected were directors John M. Bremer of The Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co., Gregg R. Narber of Principal Mutual Life Insurance Co., and Joseph A. Thomas of Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Co. and Harold K. Herzog retired senior vice president of New York Life Insurance Co.

Re-elected to officer were A. Peter Quinn of Day, Berry & Howard, chairman of the board; Kernan F. King of New England Mutual Life Insurance Co., president; and Edward E. Blakeslee of Rosenman & Colin, chief executive officer and managing director; and Jerome M. Sperber of Home Life Insurance Co., vice president.

The company also reported assets in excess of $20,800,000 as of Aug. 31, 1990 of which more than $19 million represents equity of its membership; almost four times the original equity of $5.2 million. The company's financial strength is further enhanced by $16 million of contractual obligations by its members.

Organized in 1986 by 10 major mutual life insurance companies, Sargasso has expanded its membership to 16 insurers. It was formed in response to the rise in cost of D&O (directors & officers) liability coverage, and an impending lack of capacity for such insurance from commercial carriers.

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SEYMOUR, CONN. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - TIE/communications Inc., a leading designer, manufacturer and distributor of advanced telecommunications systems, reported a third quarter loss of $2,925,000.

This compares to a loss of $4,541,000, before preferred stock dividends and accretions, in the comparable 1989 quarter. Sales for the third quarter 1990 were $33,676,000 compared to $51,771,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The loss per common share for the third quarter 1990 was 8 cents compared to a loss of 17 cents per common share in the 1989 quarter, after accretion and preferred stock dividends.

TIE's nine month figures show a net income of $2,370,000, compared to a loss of $10,720,000 for the comparable nine months of 1989. The net income for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, before preferred stock dividends and accretions, includes a net gain of $13,358,000 on the sale of the TIE European Group which occurred in April of this year.

Sales for the nine months of 1990 were $116,456,000 compared to $174,688,000 for the comparable 1989 quarter. Net income for the nine months of 1990 was 3 cents compared to a loss of 42 cents for the nine months of 1989, after accretion and preferred stock dividends.

The lower revenue figures for the nine months reflect, in part, a loss of revenues heretofore generated by the TIE European Group. TIE anticipates a modest improvement in sales with the introduction of a new digital key telephone system, BUSINESSCOM Digital System 01, to the wholesale equipment side of the business in the Third Quarter of this year.

TIE's direct distribution and service division, TSI, continues to consolidate its installed base of equipment and generate a profit for the parent company. TIE will continue on its acquisition program to secure additional TIE base, as situations and opportunities warrant.

TIE/communications Canada Inc. purchased, in October 1990, the business of one of the largest interconnect companies in Canada, CTG, from British Telecom. This purchase places the Canadian subsidiary in a very strong position in the Canadian marketplace and by 1991, should make a positive revenue contribution to the parent company in the United States.

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DAYTON, OH (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corporation Tuesday announced availability of the NCR OS/2 Workgroup Platform, a comprehensive suite of MS OS/2R-based products that provides a client-server base for distributed applications, data and resource sharing across computer networks and throughout enterprises.

A key component of NCR's Open, Cooperative Computing Strategy, the NCR OS/2 Workgroup Platform will be demonstrated in Las Vegas at COMDEX/FALL '90 in booth No. 1616. The products forming the NCR OS/2 Workgroup Platform represent an implementation of the strategies outlined by NCR in last month's NCR System 3000, Cooperation and Open Networking Environment announcements.

"The NCR OS/2 Workgroup Platform gives users an industry-standard set of functions for developing and/or integrating client-server applications," said Alok Mohan, vice president of NCR's Workstation Products Division. "It focuses on empowering end-users to perform at their highest levels through immediate access to information and resources across enterprises."

The NCR OS/2 Workgroup Platform provides a comprehensive standards-based platform for client/server applications. It consists of:

- NCR's version of MS-OS/2 1.21 - which provides a strong server platform through its ability to support multiple, concurrent tasks;

- NCR LAN Manager 2.01 - which links DOS and OS/2 workstation users into logical workgroups by providing the connection between DOS and OS/2 local workstations and OS/2 servers;

- NCR SQL Server 1.1 - which expands the data sharing potential of the workgroup by providing mainframe-class SQL database services on the local area network to DOS and OS/2 workstations;

- NCR Communications Server 1.0 - which expands the reach of OS/2 and DOS workstations by providing access to enterprise resources in a hierarchical or peer SNA network.

- NCR SNA Software Distribution Product (SDP) for OS/2 - a set of software products that provides a method of electronically distributing software and data files over a SNA wide area network. With these products, users can easily send software and data files to multiple locations and systems throughout the enterprise.

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HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, NJ (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Jos. F. Bradway Jr., chairman of RMS International Inc. (ASE:RMS), Tuesday reported a profit for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $2.9 million compared with $3 million in the same quarter last year. The company reported net income of $54,302, or 3 cents per share, in the third quarter. This compares with a net loss of $158,666, or 10 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, net sales were $8.6 million compared with $9.8 million in the same period of 1989. Net income for the period increased to $108,301, or 7 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $608,413, or 39 cents per share, in the first nine months of 1989.

''RMS' profit in the third quarter was achieved despite lower sales in our core CATV business,'' stated Bradway. ''Since last year, our margins have improved due to improved product costs related to alternate suppliers and an improvement in the dollar-yen exchange rate.

''In addition, we have cut selling, general and administrative expenses related to our CATV business. We also have benefitted from lower interest costs as a result of lower average borrowings outstanding.

''Sales from our Color Optic division continue to improve as a result of expanded marketing programs. However, they have not offset the declines in our CATV business. As a result, we are continuing to look at other acquisition or merger possibilities to broaden RMS' base beyond the CATV business,'' concluded Bradway.

RMS International Inc. is a distributor of passive RF electronic devices for the cable television industry and a manufacturer of standby power supplies. In December 1988, the company acquired Color Optic Displays Inc., a designer, manufacturer and marketer of high quality clear plastic literature displays.

RMS' stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol RMS.

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BATON ROUGE, LA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - United Companies Financial Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:UNCF) Tuesday reported results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income of $1.3 million was recorded on revenues of $52 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $2.2 million on revenues of $51 million for the same period in 1989. On a per share basis, earnings for the respective periods were 34 cents for 1990 compared with 57 cents for 1989, based on 3,887,647 weighted average shares outstanding.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, United Companies earned $6.1 million on revenues of $156 million, compared with $6.3 million on revenues of $150 million in 1989. On a per share basis, earnings for the nine month period of 1990 were $1.57, based on 3,887,647 weighted average shares outstanding, compared to $1.60 for the nine month period of 1989, based on 3,913,878 shares.

''The quarter is disappointing when viewed in a short term nature; however, we manage our business for the long term and have continued confidence in our basic lines of business'' said J. Terrell Brown, president and chief executive officer. He added, ''In addition, we are extremely excited about the acquisition of Foster Mortgage Corp.

''With this acquisition and continued improvement in our core businesses, we remain optimistic about our future results and corporate goals for 1990.''

At Sept. 30, 1990 the company had total assets of $1.28 billion, compared with $1.20 billion at year end 1989. At the third quarter end of 1990, stockholders' equity was $81.1 million compared with $77.8 million at year end 1989.

United Companies is a Louisiana based financial services holding company engaged primarily in the businesses of life insurance, mortgage lending, and mortgage servicing.

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GREENVILLE, SC (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The Liberty Corp. (NYSE:LC) Tuesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 23 cents per share on common stock, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 15, 1990.

Liberty's 7,843,382 common shares currently outstanding are traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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Barry L. Edwards, 803/268-8435

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#90310b0751 11/06/1990 ~Business Wire
AKRON, OHIO (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. Tuesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 45 cents per share, payable Dec. 15 to shareholders of record Nov. 16.

The dividend payment represents an annual rate of $1.80 per share.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Tuesday announced shipment of the network editions of 1-2-3 Release 3.1, the company's advanced graphical spreadsheet for DOS and DOS with Windows 3.0.

The network editions provide an efficient method of installing, managing and using 1-2-3 on a local area network.

''Network editions are playing an increasingly significant role in our customer's decision to upgrade users to new Lotus applications,'' said Don Casey, vice president of Lotus' PC Spreadsheet division. ''The availability of 1-2-3 Release 3.1 network editions, so closely following the initial shipment of Release 3.1 and its positive reception in the marketplace, is yet another example of our commitment to support the network computing needs of Lotus customers.''

1-2-3 Release 3.1 is now available in three editions: Standard, Server and Node. The Standard Edition, which shipped in September, is intended for use in a standalone or networked environment and contains full documentation, software, and a single user license.

The Server Edition is licensed for shared use from a central network file server and contains complete network administration software and documentation product software and documentation, and a single user license. The Node Edition provides an additional license for network use and contains complete documentation and software.

1-2-3 Release 3.1 network editions deliver the tools necessary to fully exploit 1-2-3 in a network environment. This includes the ability to share 1-2-3 data and program files, as well as network resources, such as printers and fonts.

Network edition features include: password protection, used to control access to sensitive information; file reservations, which allow users to share files

without concern for data integrity; and the ability to ''seal'' files with a password, so that spreadsheet templates and macros can be easily distributed on the network.

LAN management tools included in the Server Edition give LAN administrators greater control over the installation and management of 1-2-3 on a network. For example, 1-2-3 will, at the LAN administrator's request, automatically make any required changes to the network users' system configuration files. This simplifies installation and frees the administrator from learning the manual commands necessary to install many network products.

Joint customer support programs with Novell, 3Com and Banyan allow users to direct all their 1-2-3 related network questions to Lotus product support staff who, in turn, have access to the network vendor for assistance in answering customers' questions.

System Requirements, Pricing, and Upgrades 1-2-3 Release 3.1 network editions are designed for users with DOS 3.1 compatible network operating systems, including: IBM PC LAN Program 1.2 and 1.3; IBM LAN Server 1.2; 3Com 3+Share 1.6; 3Com 3+Open LAN Manager 1.1; Novell Advanced and SFT 286 NetWare 2.15; Novell 386 NetWare 3.0; and Banyan Vines 3.1.

Server and Node Editions of 1-2-3 Release 3.1 are available at a suggested retail price of $795 and $495, respectively. The Server Edition includes 5 1/4-inch and 3 1/2-inch disk media in the same package.

Registered users who buy or have bought 1-2-3 Release 3.0 Server or Node Editions on or after May 7, 1990, are eligible to receive a Release 3.1 Server or Node Edition free of charge. Free network upgrades may be redeemed through March 31, 1991. All other Release 3.0 network users may upgrade for a suggested retail price of $35.

Release 2.2 Server and Node users may upgrade to the respective Release 3.1 edition for a suggested retail price of $75 through March 31, 1991. In addition, 1-2-3 Release 1, 1A, 2, or 2.01 users may upgrade to the Release 3.1 Node Edition for a suggested retail price of $150.

Lotus Development Corp. (NASDAQ:LOTS), founded in 1982, develops, markets and supports business software and CD-ROM databases that help users access, analyze, communicate and share information. The company's first product, Lotus 1-2-3, is the most popular computer software program in the world with more than 12 million users. Lotus markets its broad range of products in more than 65 countries and offers users comprehensive support options, including 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week support in the U.S. for PC versions of its 1-2-3 spreadsheet.

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RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NC (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - CompuChem Corp. (NASDAQ:CCEM) has been awarded environmental testing contracts by the Department of Energy, Department of Defense and the Environmental Protection Agency with a combined value of $9.8 million.

The DOE and DOD awards are mixed waste analytical contracts involving EPA Contract Laboratory Program protocols and analysis of low level radio isotopes. Work under these contracts, valued at over $1 million, began in October. Earlier this year, CompuChem opened its new mixed waste facility which is equipped with the latest automated state-of-the-art equipment, including low-background alpha-beta counting, alpha spectroscopy, liquid scintillation counting and gamma spectroscopy.

Analytical techniques include ion-exchange, co-precipitation and solvent extraction used with low-level background detectors for ultra-sensitive measurement of low-level radionuclides. CompuChem also maintains complete facilities for the handling and analysis of mixed waste.

CompuChem's EPA contracts, valued in excess of $8.8 million over the next 30 months, concern EPA sample analyses associated with the Contract Laboratory Program (CLP). The awards are for both organics and inorganics work and will be performed at the Company's facilities in North Carolina and California. CompuChem is one of 14 labs awarded new organics contracts by the EPA and today ranks as the single largest recipient of analytical testing awards from the EPA.

According to Thomas R. Weschler, Vice President and General Manager of CompuChem's Environmental Division, ''The EPA has made significant changes to the CLP protocols for the first time in five years and many laboratories are unable to meet the new requirements. We made a significant investment in equipment, training, systems and procedures in order to be able to perform to the new levels expected by the EPA.''

Weschler continued, ''CompuChem has differentiated itself in the environmental testing industry - in terms of size, range of capabilities, customer service, experience and quality assurance and control. For example, we believe that CompuChem is the only lab in the United States that provides CLP organics, CLP inorganics, and a mixed waste capability. Our facility in North Carolina houses the largest Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry laboratory in the world.

''We have been associated with the USEPA Contract Laboratory program on a continuous basis since 1980. Our Company has performed analyses for government, commercial and industrial clients in all ten USEPA Regions

accumulating over two million man-hours of analytical experience. These factors, coupled with our proprietary Environmental Site Profile (ESP) system which provides our clients with on-line access to their laboratory data by downloading it directly to their personal computer, make us confident in continued growth of our environmental division.''

CompuChem Corp., through its three subsidiaries, CompuChem Laboratories, Inc., ChemWest Analytical Laboratories, Inc. and Lifedata Medical Services, Inc., provides specialized analytical testing services for the accurate measurement of toxic chemicals and hazardous wastes in the environment, urinalysis collection and testing services for the detection of drugs of abuse, as well as physical examinations for life insurance applicants.

The Company also provides on-line data management systems for use by customers in managing their environmental and drug testing data bases. The Company's environmental testing services are provided to major industrial companies, waste management companies, and consulting engineering firms, as well as the Environmental Protection Agency. The Company's forensic drug testing services are provided to the military, other government agencies and major industrial firms. The Company's physical examination services are provided to insurance carriers nationally.

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COLLEGE POINT, NY (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - EDO Corp. (NYSE:EDO) Tuesday reported sales and earnings for the fiscal 1990 third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Net earnings for the 1990 third quarter were $1,328,000, or 18 cents per share (after preferred dividends of 7 cents per share), on sales of $34,121,000. In the year ago quarter, net earnings were $1,409,000, or 19 cents per share (after preferred dividends of 7 cents per share), on sales of $35,278,000.

For the first nine months of 1990, net earnings were $4,038,000, or 54 cents per share (after preferred dividends of 21 cents per share), on sales of $101,313,000. In the comparable 1989 nine months period, net earnings were $4,347,000, or 59 cents per share (after preferred dividends of 21 cents per share), on sales of $103,388,000.

Net earnings for the 1990 third quarter include an extraordinary gain realized through the purchase, in open market transactions, of approximately $3 million principal amount of EDO's 7 percent convertible subordinated debentures, due 2011, at prices below par value.

The net gain from retirement of the repurchased debentures contributed $837,000 to net earnings in the third quarter and $1,363,000 in the first nine months of 1990.

Gerald Albert, EDO's president and CEO, stated, ''Year to date sales for the company were essentially the same as the prior year period. Reductions in our military systems segment sales were offset by higher sales from the Canadian CF-18 composite fuel tank program in our marine and special products segments.

''Profitability in our military systems segment decreased as a result of an unfavorable mix of high and low margin shipments on lower sales volume.

''Profitability in our marine systems and specialized products segment was adversely affected by costs associated with the consolidation and modernization of our Electro-Ceramic facilities. This consolidation, while reducing operating results during the past few quarters, should begin to positively impact profitability in the fourth quarter.

''Acknowledging the uncertain defense environment, EDO continues to implement initiatives focused on balancing effective cost reductions with strategic business development investments.

''These initiatives will continue to improve our competitive position and have already provided increased commercial product opportunities. Looking forward, we expect the fourth quarter backlog to increase over the current level.''

The backlog of unfilled orders at Sept. 29, 1990 was $153.6 million, vs. $147.8 million at the close of the year ago quarter.

EDO Corp. designs and manufactures advanced electronic and specialized equipment for military and commercial aerospace, marine and industrial markets.

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BASKING RIDGE, N.J. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Tuesday announced new features and reduced pricing for two of its Global Messaging services, AT&T Enhanced FAX and AT&T Mail.

''The enhancements answer our customers' challenge to provide new options and lower costs for our advanced facsimile services,'' said James Tenner, director

of marketing for AT&T's Global Messaging business. ''AT&T offers one of the most comprehensive lines of global messaging products in the market today, and we're committed to supporting our customers expanding needs for this capability,'' he said.

For AT&T Enhanced FAX, a network-based, store-and- forward fax service, new ''economy delivery'' and ''custom logo'' options will be available January 1, 1991.

Economy delivery will provide a 10 percent price discount when customers schedule their non-urgent messages for delivery during the most economical periods for the AT&T network. That period is typically from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.

The custom logo option will allow customers to personalize their messages with a corporate logo on the cover sheet for an annual fee of $12. Customers can also use an AT&T logo cover sheet or no cover.

AT&T MailFAX will also offer new customized features, economy delivery and reduced prices, effective January 1, 1991.

AT&T MailFAX is a store-and-forward feature of AT&T Mail that allows customers to create messages on personal computers or terminals for delivery to virtually any Group 3 fax machine worldwide.

AT&T MailFAX will offer custom logos and a custom signature option that will allow customers to add signatures or other personalized images to their fax messages. Logos and signatures will cost $12 a year each. Customers can also customize their own cover sheets or request no covers.

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MIAMI (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantis Group Inc. (AMEX:AGH) announced Tuesday that its board of directors has approved a long-term strategy for Atlantis that is designed to concentrate the efforts and resources of the company in the plastics industry.

On Nov. 1, Atlantis reported that it had entered into a definitive agreement, subject to regulatory and other conditions, to sell its Western Pioneer Insurance Co. subsidiary to Old Dominion Insurance Co., a Florida-domiciled multi-lines, property and casualty insurance company.

Atlantis announced Tuesday that it had received an offer, subject to certain conditions, including financing, from certain existing management employees of the companies comprising the Atlantis Furniture Group on behalf of an acquisition entity to be formed by them and affiliates of Trivest Inc., an affiliate of Atlantis, to purchase the Atlantis Furniture Group for approximately $25 million.

The Atlantis Furniture Group consists of Loewenstein Inc., Gregson Furniture Industries Inc., Excel Office and Contract Inc. and Southern Wood Products Inc.

Atlantis also announced that its board of directors had appointed a Special Committee of outside directors to consider the existing offer, any competing offers that may be received for the Furniture Group and any other options available to Atlantis to maximize shareholder value with respect to the Furniture Group.

The Special Committee has retained Wheat First Butcher & Singer Capital Markets, a nationally recognized investment banking firm, as its financial adviser and to render an opinion as to the fairness of the existing offer to the shareholders of Atlantis from a financial point of view.

Craig A. Brumfield, Atlantis' chief financial officer, said that he expects the two sale transactions to be consummated by late December or early January. Brumfield added that the sale of the Furniture Group as well as the previously announced sale of Western Pioneer will allow Atlantis to focus all of its attention and resources on its plastics operations.

If completed as contemplated, the sale of these two segments should result in an after-tax gain to Atlantis of approximately $8 million.

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NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Babcock and Wilcox and General Atomics Tuesday announced their intention to form a joint venture company to supply Gas-Cooled Reactor fuel and other related products.

The new company will be named TRISO, with each party having a 50 percent interest, and will be headquartered in Lynchburg, Va. TRISO's principal product will be coated particle nuclear fuel utilizing both high and low-enriched uranium. Initial TRISO activities will provide fuel, technology, and equipment for the Department of Energy's New Production Reactor Program, the ''NPR-MHTGR.''

TRISO will also supply fuel in the United States for commercial gas-cooled reactors which are expected to be built later in this decade.

General Atomics is a privately-owned company located in San Diego. GA has significant expertise in the areas of fuel design for coated particle fuel, worldwide marketing of High-Temperature Gas-Cooled Reactor systems and fuel, and extensive coated particle fuel manufacturing experience.

GA is the primary developer of gas-cooled nuclear power reactor technology in the United States. Their TRIGA research reactors have operated around the world for over 30 years. GA also carries out the largest and most successful fusion program in private industry.

Babcock and Wilcox's Naval Nuclear Fuel Division, located in Lynchburg, has expertise in the development of large enriched uranium manufacturing facilities, support structures, equipment design, and fuel production to meet Department of Defense and Department of Energy requirements.

Babcock and Wilcox is a major operating unit of McDermott International Inc. (NYSE:MDR), a leading worldwide energy services company. McDermott International Inc. and its subsidiaries manufacture steam-generating equipment, defense products, and tubular products. They also provide engineering and construction services for industrial and utility facilities onshore, and to the oil and gas industry offshore.

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APPLETON, WI (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Air Wis Services Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ARWS) Tuesday reported operating revenues of $54,234,000 for the third quarter of 1990, an increase of 26 percent for the like 1989 period.

The company incurred a net loss of $302,000 for the period, or 3 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $427,000, or 5 cents per share, for the prior year's third quarter. All per share amounts have been adjusted to reflect a 10 percent stock dividend declared in May 1989, and paid the following month.

Aspen Airways Inc. was acquired by Air Wis Services on April 30 of this year. Aspen results have been included along with those of Air Wisconsin Inc. for the third quarter of this year. Aspen operating revenue was $3,916,000 and its net operating loss was $1,475,000 for the period. Aspen's loss reduced net income for the period by 11 cents per share. While fuel prices have hindered efforts to shrink Aspen losses to planned off-season levels, advance bookings for the 1991 skiing season are very encouraging.

Revenue passenger miles (RPMs) rose 17 percent in the quarter to 134.8 million while available seat miles (ASMs) climbed 11 percent to 267.9 million, resulting in a load factor increase to 50.3 percent compared to 47.9 percent a year ago. Aspen accounted for 6.2 million RPMs and 9.8 million ASMs during the quarter.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $1,767,000, or 20 cents per share, slightly above the $1,634,000, or 18 cents per share, earned during the first three quarters of 1989.

Air Wis Services Inc. is a publicly-owned company trading on the OTC National Market System under the symbol ARWS.

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MOUNT AIRY, NC (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Workmen's Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: WRKB) recorded net income of $891,000, or 55 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, it was announced Tuesday by Thomas M. Faw, president and chief executive officer. Workmen's earned $158,000 during the comparable quarter one year ago.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 amounted to $2,589,000 compared with $980,000 earned during the nine months which ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Workmen's principal subsidiary, Workmen's Federal Savings Bank, converted from a mutual to a stock savings bank and was acquired by Workmen's Bancorp on Jan. 10, 1990.

In commenting on the results, Faw indicated that the increased earnings for both the quarter and the nine months were led by increases in net interest income.

"Net interest income for the quarter amounted to almost $2,163,000, an increase of $1,252,000 over the approximately $911,000 recorded in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. For the nine months, net interest income amounted to almost $6,446,000 compared to the $3,953,000 earned in the comparable nine months of 1989.

"The improved core earnings also reflected the increase in Workmen's net interest margin which reached 2.99 percent for the September 1990 quarter. Workmen's Bancorp benefitted from the investment of the proceeds of the stock sale," Faw said. "In addition, prior to the conversion of Workmen's Federal, we made provision for, and subsequently charged off, a loan in the principal

sum of $558,000.

"While we are continuing to make adequate provisions for loan losses, no comparable provision was made in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990," he added.

Stockholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990 amounted to $33 million compared to the $15.5 million recorded at Dec. 31, 1989, prior to the conversion of Workmen's Federal.

Savings deposits at Sept. 30, 1990 had increased by almost $5 million from $204,200,000 at Dec. 31, 1989, to $209,100,000 at Sept. 30, 1990. Loans receivable increased $6.2 million from $193.8 million at Dec. 31, 1989 to $200 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

Workmen's Bancorp Inc. is a unitary savings and loan holding company headquartered in Mount Airy. The holding company's subsidiary, Workmen's Federal Savings Bank, operates five retail banking offices; two in Mount Airy and one each in Sparta, Pilot Mountain and King, N.C.

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DAYTON, OH (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of the Dayton Power and Light Co. declared Tuesday quarterly dividends on the Dayton Power and Light Co. preferred stocks as follows:

$.9375 per share on the 3.75 percent Series A, Cumulative
$.9375 per share on the 3.75 percent Series B, Cumulative
$.975 per share on the 3.90 percent Series C, Cumulative
$1.87 per share on the 7.48 percent Series D, Cumulative
$1.925 per share on the 7.70 percent Series E, Cumulative
$1.84375 per share on the 7.375 percent Series F, Cumulative
$2.15625 per share on the 8-5/8 percent Series H, Cumulative
$2.34375 per share on the 9-3/8 percent Series I, Cumulative

The preferred dividends are payable on Dec. 1 to holders of record on Nov. 20.

CONTACT: Dayton Power and Light Co., Dayton
DPL Medialine, 513/224-5940

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NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (NYSE:FTX) board of directors Tuesday declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 37.5

cents per share and a special quarterly cash dividend of 25 cents per share payable on Dec. 3, 1990, to FTX common shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 15, 1990

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YORKTOWN, IND. (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Marsh Supermarkets Inc. (NASDAQ:MARS) declared a regular quarterly dividend on common stock of 10 cents per share, payable Feb. 4, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 18, 1991.

Marsh operates 79 supermarkets and 168 Village Pantry convenience stores in mid-Indiana and western Ohio.

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TIMONIUM, MD (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Kirschner Medical Corp. (NASDAQ:KMDC) announced Tuesday it has executed a definitive agreement to sell to MIDMARK Corp. of Versailles, Ohio its Chick Medical Products Division located in Greenwood, S.C.

Kirschner said MIDMARK will pay approximately $9 million for Kirschner's surgical table and operating room light business, will lease Kirschner's 80,000 square foot manufacturing facility located in Greenwood, and will receive an option to purchase the land and building in one year for $2.2 million. The closing under the agreement will occur as soon as the specified conditions in the agreement have been completed.

Bruce J. Hegstad, president and CEO of Kirschner, said the sale of Chick meets Kirschner's previously stated objective to concentrate on its core orthopedic business.

MIDMARK is a closely held manufacturer of high quality medical products, including medical examination furniture, casework, sterilizers, stools, stretches, cribs, lighting and procedure carts found in physicians' offices, hospitals, HMO's, and outpatient centers throughout the world.

Kirschner develops, manufactures and markets orthopedic instruments and implants including Reconstructive Surgery and Trauma Devices, Orthopedic Support Products and Medical Endoscopic Systems.

The company operates facilities in Timonium; Fairlawn, N.J.; Delray Beach, Fla.; Marlow, Okla.; Hopkinton, Mass.; and Valencia, Spain.

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DAYTON, OHIO (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - DPL Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Peter H. Forster announced Tuesday that the board of directors has elected Thomas M. Jenkins as group vice president and treasurer of DPL Inc. and group vice president of The Dayton Power and Light Co., effective immediately.

Forster said, ''Mr. Jenkins' background in finance and operations for DP&L, combined with his contributions as chief financial officer of the company, are examples of his proven leadership abilities.''

In this new position, Jenkins will continue to be responsible for the treasury functions, fuel procurement areas, sales forecasting, insurance, system planning and subsidiary operations. Prior to this election, Jenkins was vice president and treasurer of both DPL Inc. and The Dayton Power and Light Co.

Jenkins, age 39, joined DP&L in 1977 as a planning analyst. He has held positions in Power Production at Killen station and in Service Operations prior to becoming assistant treasurer in 1986. Jenkins received his B.A. in economics from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1974 and an M.S. economics from Wright State University in 1975. He serves on the board of trustees of Arts Dayton, the Dayton Foundation Investment Committee and Kettering Chamber of Commerce.

He and his wife, Betsy, and their four daughters, Abby, Jamie, Robyn and Kelsey, reside in Beavercreek, Ohio.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Eugene J. Messenkopf has been appointed chief operating officer of Global America Inc.

In announcing the Messenkopf appointment, Michael J. Markowski, Global chairman and managing director, referred to the veteran of the securities industry as ''a valuable addition to our senior management team. He brings a wealth of knowledge and an impressive range of business experience to our

rapidly growing company.''

Messenkopf most recently served as executive vice president for Donaldson Lufkin Jenrette. During his 24 year tenure with DLJ, he also headed the Real Estate Division as the chief executive officer as well as serving as the chief administrative officer and chief financial officer.

Messenkopf was also a certified public accountant at Peat Marwick Mitchell prior to his affiliation at DLJ.

A native New Yorker, Messenkopf holds a B.B.A. degree from Iona College and an M.B.A. from New York University.

Global America Inc., an international investment banking firm headquartered in New York's financial district, specializes in identifying and supporting emerging growth companies.

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TUCKER, GA (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Southern Electronics Corp. (NASDAQ: SECX) Tuesday reported record sales for the first quarter of its 1991 fiscal year.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30 net sales totaled $33,899,000, up 36 percent from $24,897,000 in the same quarter for the previous year. Earnings before extraordinary credit were $1,008,000, up 55 percent compared with $650,000 in the year-earlier period.

Earnings per share before extraordinary credit were 34 cents compared with 22 cents for the year-earlier period. The year-earlier period net earnings included an extraordinary credit of $252,000, or nine cents per share. Net earnings per share totaled 34 cents, compared to 31 cents, a year ago.

Gerald Diamond, president and chief executive officer, said, "With the strong operating results of the first fiscal quarter of 1991, we were able to retire the remaining senior debt of $1 million on Oct. 2, 1990. The company is optimistic about its prospects for fiscal year 1991 as we move forward with our efforts to reach new customers through an increased salesforce."

Southern Electronics Corp. is a distributor of microcomputers, computer peripheral products and cellular telephone products, serving dealers and value-added resellers located primarily in the Southeastern United States.

SOUTHERN ELECTRONICS CORP. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (Unaudited)

Three Months Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989

Net Sales	$ 33,899,000	$ 24,897,000
Operating income	$ 1,530,000	$ 1,045,000
Interest expense, net	58,000	143,000
Earnings before income taxes and extraordinary item	1,472,000	902,000
Income taxes	464,000	252,000
Earnings before extraordinary credit	1,008,000	650,000
Extraordinary credit(a)	--	252,000
Net earnings	$ 1,008,000	$ 902,000
Earnings per share data:		
Earnings before extraordinary credit	34 cents	22 cents
Extraordinary credit(a)	--	9 cents
Net earnings	34 cents	31 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,838,000	2,816,000

(a) - Income tax benefit of utilizing net operating loss carryforward.

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SIDNEY, OHIO (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The Monarch Machine Tool Co., meeting on Nov. 6, voted to decrease the regular quarterly dividend to a new rate of 5 cents per share, payable Dec. 1 to Monarch common shareholders of record on Nov. 20.

The reduction of the dividend by the directors resulted from the uncertainties of the business environment projected for 1991 and from the need to conserve cash for reinvestment to strengthen the position of the company.

The board of directors also declared a dividend of 45 cents per share, payable Dec. 1 to Monarch Series A preferred shareholders of record on Nov. 20.

1991 is the 78th consecutive year in which Monarch has paid dividends to its shareholders.

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Earl Hull, 513/492-4111

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WESTBURY, NY (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - New York Testing Laboratories Inc.

(NYLT) Tuesday announced its results for the first nine months of 1990.

During the third quarter of 1989, the company's wholly-owned subsidairy, Laboratory Testing Services Inc. (''LTS'') completed approximately $400,000 on a contract for emergency response work.

LTS did not complete any similar contract in the third quarter of 1990 which accounts for the change in the revenues for this period.

Gerald J. Harvey, the company's president expressed confidence in the continued growth of the company's subsidiary, LTS, which according to Harvey, received orders for new work totalling approximately $1,750,000 in the month of October. The company expects that this work will be completed during 1991.

Harvey also stated that the company is endeavoring to further reduce its operating costs and has implemented new policies and procedures to achieve this goal. The company expects to realize the full benefit of these changes over the course of the coming year.

In order to provide liquidity and additional capital to its businesses, the company is offering for sale certain of its assets. Harvey indicated that he expects the proceeds from the sale of these assets will enable the company to improve its profitability and operating efficiency by allowing the company to invest in new equipment and expand its businesses.

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ALBANY, NY (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Home & City Savings Bank Tuesday announced that the board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 33 cents per common share.

The dividend is payable on Dec. 31 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 14.

Commenting on the third quarter dividend, John J. Brunner, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said ''Since converting to stock ownership in 1986, Home & City has reported solid earnings.

''We have demonstrated an ability to steadily produce income from core banking activities, and despite the current adverse economic conditions, we have still been able to increase our reserves and maintain earnings.''

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Richard A. Ahl, 518/447-5905

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Global Utility Fund Inc. October 1990 press release.

Investment Adviser Commentary:

- The Fund outperformed utility stocks in general during September due to a 20 percent weighting in bonds and an overweighted position in gas utility stocks.

- Utility stocks outperformed the S & P 500 during the negative third quarter investment environment.

- Foreign stocks tended to drag down the performance of the Fund in September, as markets in continental Europe underperformed the U.S. market. The falling dollar, however, had a positive impact on the Fund's performance.

- As previously announced, on Oct. 15, 1990, the board of directors approved a proposal to convert the Fund to an open-end mutual fund. A special meeting of shareholders has been called for December 20, 1990 to consider this proposal.

Global Utility Fund Inc. is a diversified closed-end management investment company whose investment objective is to provide total return, without incurring undue risk, by investing primarily in income-producing equity and debt securities of domestic and foreign companies in the utility industries. The Fund's Investment Manager is Wellington Management Co. For further information on the Fund, call 212/214-3334.

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212/214-3334

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HAMPTON, NH (NOV. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - John R. Ranelli has been named chief financial officer for The Timberland Co., an integrated manufacturer of footwear, accesories, and apparel for men and women, according to Jeffrey Swartz, executive vice president.

Ranelli replaces Larry Mihalchik, who recently resigned.

In this position, Ranelli oversees all financial and administrative affairs for the company. Timberland (TBL) is publicly traded on the American Stock Exchange

Prior to his position with Timberland, Ranelli served from 1988 to 1990 as

vice president and treasurer of Ames Department Stores Inc., in Rocky Hill, Conn.

Previously, Ranelli held various positions as CFO/treasurer/division president with companies including Allied Tube and Conduit Manufacturing Co.; ARA Services Inc.; Northern Telecom LTD; and General Motors. He has a proven record of consistently contributing to the improvement of shareholder value throughout his 17 year career.

A Fulbright Scholar, Ranelli received an M.B.A. from the Darmouth's Amos Tuck School, and an A.B. from College of the Holy Cross. He is a member of the board of directors fro College of the Holy Cross, and Easter Seals of Connecticut. A former Navy submarine officer, Ranelli will relocate to New Hampshire with his wife and three children.

The Timberland Co. designs and manufactures premium-quality footwear, apparel and accessories for men and women. Timberland products are sold nationally and in 16 countries worldwide.

The company has been a leader in technical innovation, developing the first guaranteed waterproof leather boots, mastering the traditional art of handsewn shoes, and developing an exclusive GORE-TEX LEATHER liner technology.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Indiana Corp.(TICKER: FISB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,530,000	$811,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.52	$0.28

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$1,175,071,000	$1,170,421,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$71,824,000	$68,254,000

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#90310c0004 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Yukon Energy Corp.(TICKER: YUKN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,258,319	$1,114,714
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$109,438	$67,726
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,720,019	4,338,793

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,296,185	$3,146,368
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,606,300	$1,440,488

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#90310c0005 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Weyco Group Inc.(TICKER: WEYS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$36,813,661	$33,652,353
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,680,000	$1,494,574
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.78	$0.70
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,166,063	2,166,596

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$59,577,037	$62,141,695
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$46,458,679	$43,885,243

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#90310c0006 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Newport Electronics Inc.(TICKER: NEWE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,994,000	$4,227,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$172,000	$(1,264,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.15	$(1.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,116,586	1,130,087

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$16,271,000	$16,008,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,412,000	$5,172,000

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#90310c0007 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Claims Evaluation Inc.(TICKER: AMCE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,401,516	$1,014,520
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$159,550	$131,862
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,952,604	1,860,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,269,632	$4,107,804
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,684,313	$3,394,554

-30- 1046

#90310c0008 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Conservative Savings Corp.(TICKER: CONS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$155,138	$103,442
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.24	$0.16

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$181,527,815	$186,659,048
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$12,776,782	$12,621,641

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#90310c0009 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - ECI Telecom Ltd.(TICKER: ECIL) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD announcing on Oct. 16, 1990 that its wholly-owned German subsidiary, ECI Telecom GmbH, has been awarded a $5.2 million contract.

The order is from the German telephone administration, the Deutsche Bundespost Telekom, totalling some 8 million deutsche marks, which is equivalent to $5.2 million. The order covers DIGILOOP PCM-2 units.

The PCM-2 is a part of ECI Telecom's DIGILOOP product line which enables

single-twisted pair copper subscriber loops to simultaneously carry two voice and/or data transmissions.

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#90310c0010 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Elxsi Corp.(TICKER: ELXS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(225,000)	$(7,829,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	115,744,000	94,592,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,872,000	$10,005,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,855,000	$5,080,000

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#90310c0012 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in General Development has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol GDV. Trading was resumed at 14:42 on Nov. 5.

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#90310c0013 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:05 that trade in Abington Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: ABBK) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 1/4. The company is located in Abington, Massachusetts.

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#90310c0014 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 9, 1990, Bernard Manuel and Melvin Shapiro were elected directors of Designs Inc.

(TICKER: DESI).

Also on Oct. 9, Max Coffman and Charles Carples each resigned as directors of the corporation, for health reasons.

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#90310c0015 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows RPS Growth and Income Fund L.P. earned $62,258, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $71,881 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $38,536, or $0.24 per share, on revenues of $44,419 for the same period in 1989.

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#90310c0016 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows WR Capital Group Inc. lost $6,365, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $219 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $12,507, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $962 for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company, a development stage enterprise, is a "blind pool" formed to obtain funding from public investors in order to provide a vehicle to take advantage of business opportunities.

The company's executive offices are located at 99 Powerhouse Road, Suite 300A, Roslyn Heights, NY 11577, and its telephone number is (516) 484-9750.

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#90310c0017 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Holiday-Gulf Homes Inc. earned $8,632, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $56,065 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $11,209, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $56,008 for the same period in 1989.

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#90310c0018 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows National Mercantile Bancorp (TICKER: MBLA) dismissed its former accountants, Laventhol & Horwath, on Oct. 25, 1990, and engaged the firm of Deloitte & Touche in that

office.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90310c0020 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Centurion Mines Corp.(TICKER: CTMC) was served with a complaint filed in the Third Judicial District Court in Tooele County, Utah, involving a dispute over approximately 200 acres of property located in Utah.

In 1988, Centurion leased the property, and the plaintiff claims Centurion failed to file proof of labor on certain claims, causing a loss of such claims; failed to make a $4,000 lease payment and to reassign claims to the plaintiff at the termination of the lease; failed to deliver reports on the claims; located mining claims in Centurion's name covering claims leased to Centurion; and breached its duty to the plaintiff.

Centurion denies all allegations.

The plaintiff is seeking up to $5.0 million in punitive damages and up to $2.0 million in specific damages.

Centurion states the dispute does not affect its joint venture with Crown Resources Corp.(TICKER: CRRS).

The company reports that until Nov. 1, it did not believe the suit would be actively pursued, but now believes the suit will be pursued.

Centurion says it will vigorously defend itself, believing the suit to be frivolous.

In other news, on Oct. 1, 1990, effective Aug. 1, 1990, Centurion entered into the First Amendment to Mining Lease with Sharon Steel Corp. (TICKER: SHAR), amending a lease dated Aug. 1, 1985, and covering approximately 1,100 acres in the main Tintic District of Juab and Utah counties in Utah.

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#90310c0021 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Neurogen Corp.9TICKER: NRGN) lost $692,304, or $0.12 per share, on revenues of $128,798 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $483,985, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of

$99,484 for the same period in 1989.

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#90310c0022 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 30, 1990, the London Mine Venture, of which Cobb (TICKER: COBB) is owner of a 50% interest, received notice from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that the venture is believed by the EPA to be a potentially responsible party for the release of certain hazardous substances at the Calmet site.

The company states the venture operated the facility for less than two months, and at other times arranged with Calmet for Calmet to leach concentrates from the London Mine.

Cobb reports it may be required to bear its share of any costs incurred by the venture in connection with this matter.

The company has begun an investigation into this matter.

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#90310c0023 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 17 1990, Larry G. Arnold resigned as a director of Ryan-Murphy Inc. (TICKER: RMII).

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#90310c0024 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 30 1990, USX Corp.(TICKER: X) entered into Amendment No. 1 to the company's Rights Agreement dated Oct. 10, 1989, between USX and Mellon Bank (TICKER: MEL), as rights agent.

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#90310c0025 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that Commercial Bancorporation of Colorado's (TICKER: CBOC) management has decided that in view of the continued uncertainty of both local and national economies and effects of international events, they will approve a decision to increase the provision for loan losses and expenses related to real estate acquired through foreclosure.

The company reports this as a positive move to better position Commercial for future growth.

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#90310c0026 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows First Savings Bank F.S.B.(TICKER: FSBC) earned $195,926, or $0.28 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $380,513, or $0.56 per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90310c0028 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 18 1990, Howard F. Blasch of Columbia Management Co. (CMC) and Alternative Health Care Systems Inc. (AHC) entered a settlement agreement dated as of Sept. 1, 1990, in connection with a court action brought by Blasch against CMC and AHC.

The dispute arose out of the Aug. 26, 1988 termination of Blasch as president and chief executive officer of CMC.

Under the settlement, CMC and AHC, jointly and severally, agreed to pay to Blasch the sum of $190,000, plus simple interet on the unpaid balance at an annual rate of 10% per annum, commencing Aug. 1, 1990.

The money is payable in monthly installments of between $2,000 and $30,000, based on certain factors as set forth in the agreement.

The entire outstanding balance is due and payable as of Dec. 1, 1991.

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#90310c0029 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Columbia Management Co. on Oct. 31, 1990, announced the appointment of George P. Tutjer as president of the company and Columbia Life Insurance Co.

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#90310c0030 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Cimflex Teknowledge Corp.(TICKER: CMTK) on Sept. 13, 1990, completed the spin-out of its diagnostic products business to Applied Diagnostics Inc. (ADI), a newly formed corporation.

Cimflex owns shares of ADI Series A preferred stock representing approximately 10% of the outstanding equity of ADI.

PaineWebber R & D Partners L.P. holds the remaining shares of ADI Series A preferred stock, and members of ADI management hold all the outstanding common stock of ADI.

In exchange for the equity interest in ADI acquired by Cimflex, the company contributed certain assets associated with the diagnostic products business, $250,000 in cash, and a promissory note for $490,000, paid Oct. 15, 1990.

ADI assumed certain obligations of Cimflex associated with the diagnostic products business.

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#90310c0031 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Safeguard Health Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: SFGD), on Oct. 29, 1990, dismissed the accounting firm of Price Waterhouse and appointed the accounting firm of Deloitte & Touche as the company's independent accountants for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90310c0032 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Abington Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: ABBK), the parent holding company of Abington Savings Bank, on Oct. 16, 1990 entered a memorandum of agreement with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC).

Abington Savings Bank's board of directors agreed to prepare and implement a profit plan, to notify the FDIC and the Commissioner at least 30 days before the bank pays a cash dividend to Abington Bancorp, to maintain the savings bank's loan valuation reserve at a level commensurate with the risk in the loan portfolio through appropriate charges to its operating earnings, to use all reasonable efforts to maintain the bank's primary capital position in excess of 8% of total assets, and to have and to continue to retain qualified management.

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#90310c0033 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 29 1990, Y & A Group Inc.(TICKER: YGRP) dismissed the firm of Deloitte & Touche as their independent accountants.

The company has not yet engaged another accounting firm.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90310c0034 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Diagnostic Sciences Inc.(TICKER: DSIC) has signed agreements to acquire all outstanding shares of Sunshine Botanicals Inc. and Interior Plant Supply Inc., in exhange for 4.40 million common shares of Diagnostic.

The agreement also includes provisions for the acquisition by Diagnostic of all the assets of Interior Plant Supply, a Florida general partnership, and certain real property owned by the principals of Interior in exchange for which Diagnostic will assume specified liabilities of Interior.

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#90310c0036 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - Argent Energy Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC relating to 5 million shares of the company's common stock to be offered to the public.

All of the shares of common stock offered are being sold by Sunshine Mining Co.(TICKER: SSC) Argent is currently a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sunshine Mining.

Upon completion of the offering, Sunshine Mining will own approximately 23% of Argent's outstanding common stock.

It is currently estimated the initial public offering price will be between $14.00 and $16.00 per share.

Application has been made to have Argent's common stock listed on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "ARN."

PaineWebber Inc. and First Boston are managing the offering.

Argent Energy is engaged in the exploration, development, acquisition and production of oil and natural gas reserves in the U.S. and Canada.

The company's executive office is located at 300 Crescent Court, 15th Floor, Dallas, Texas 75201 and its telephone number is (214) 855-8777.

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#90310c0037 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - Dehy Foods Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 13,000 units. Each unit consists of 100 shares of common stock of the company.

The initial public offering price is $5.00 per unit.

EDI Financial Inc. is underwriting the offering.

Dehy Foods was incorporated in the state of Washington on March 10, 1989 for the purpose of carrying on and conducting a general dehydration and foods processing business.

The company's executive office is located at 1390 North Frontage Road, Moses Lake, Washington 98837 and its telephone number is (509) 765-6015.

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#90310c0038 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - Rad San Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 75 units.

Each unit consists of 10,000 shares of common stock, 30,000 Class A warrants and 30,000 Class B warrants.

Each Class A warrant entitles the holder to purchase one common share at a price of $1.50 per share and each Class B warrant entitles the holder to purchase one common share at a price of $1.75 per share.

The initial public offering price is $10.00 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located c/o Cillo and Lucas, 777 South Harbour Island Blvd, Suite 200, Tampa, Florida 33602 and its telephone number is (813) 223-7005.

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#90310c0039 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - LoJack Corp.(TICKER: LOJN) filed a Form S-3 registration statement with the SEC relating to 110,061 shares of LoJack common stock to be offered by certain selling shareholders of the company.

Gordon Tucker is offering 93,950 shares of LoJack common stock and F.H. Moore,

III. is offering 16,311 shares.

The selling shareholders intend to resell the shares from time to time at prevailing market prices in one or more routine transactions on the Boston Stock Exchange or in the over-the-counter market.

The company will not receive any of the proceeds from sales of the shares by the selling shareholders.

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#90310c0040 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - Atlas Copco AB has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares.

Three such shares represent one Class A share of Atlas Copco AB.

Atlas Copco AB is incorporated in Sweden.

The depositary bank is Citibank, N.A. and its telephone number is (212) 657-7691.

Ten million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $5 per unit.

The registration fee is $125.

NOTE: The unit price of $5 is estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee. Each unit represents 100 American Depositary Shares.

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#90310c0041 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 15 1990, CIP Corp's board of directors determined to elect a new board of directors and officers for its majority-owned subsidiary, Inter-Continental Management Co. (ICMC).

CIP, as the majority shareholder of ICMC, took the following actions:

- Removed the current directors and officer of ICMC

- Elected Fred Morr as president and treasurer and Thomas J. Westerfield as VP and secretary of ICMC.

CIP's board of directors also determined that the above persons should be elected officers and directors of ICMC's subsidiaries and affiliates and that ICMC, its subsidiaries and affiliates should be placed under the jurisdiction

of the bankruptcy court.

On Oct. 22, 1990, ICMC filed a voluntary petition for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the bankruptcy code.

CIP Corp's two wholly owned subsidiaries, RAR Leasing Inc. and Sobod Inc., also filed Chapter 11 petitions on the same date.

In addition, the following subsidiaries of ICMC filed Chapter 11 petitions on the same date: J.B. Buse Inc., James R. Williams Investment Co., Gulf Coast CFM Inc., and Delcoast CFM Inc.

CIP Corp's executive office is located at 2174 Seymour Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio 45237 and its telephone number is (513) 731-1200.

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#90310c0042 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - First Cherokee Bancshares Inc filed a Form 8-K with the SEC stating its board of directors has terminated the employment of Jackson Godwin as the company's president and chief executive officer.

The termination was effective Sept. 24, 1990.

The termination of Mr. Godwin also constitutes the resignation of Mr. Godwin from the board of directors of First Cherokee and its subsidiary, First National Bank of Cherokee under his employment agreement.

Carl C. Hames, Jr., vice president of First Cherokee, acting as chief executive officer of the company while the board of directors is seeking a new president.

First Cherokee's executive office is located at 1539-C Highway 92 West, No. C. P.O. Box 1238, Woodstock, Georgia 30188.

Its telephone number is (404) 591-9000.

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#90310c0044 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 29 1990, Atlantis Group Inc.(TICKER: AGH) dismissed its former accountants, Arthur Andersen & Co., and replaced them with the firm of Coopers & Lybrand.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90310c0045 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows AmeriCorp Inc. dismissed its independent accountants, Price Waterhouse & Co., on Oct. 29 1990, and engaged the firm of Evans, Porter, Bryan & Co. in that office.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

The company's executive offices are located at 7393 Hodgson Memorial Drive, Savannah, GA 31406, and its telephone number is (912) 921-7100.

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#90310c0046 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 26 1990, Payline Systems Inc. reached an agreement with Hampton Group Inc. on Oct. 26, 1990, with respect to an equity investment and recapitalization proposal.

The letter of agreement provides for Hampton to immediately purchase from Payline 5.50 million shares of the company's common stock for $500,000, in a private placement cash transaction.

It also provides that Hampton or other new investors be offered the right to purchase an additional $10.0 million of the company's common stock at prices and terms yet to be determined.

Proceeds from such private placement are to be used for additional capitalization of Payline for future acquisitions, both in the related telecommunications industry and other non-related industries.

The letter also provides that Hampton will identify and present potential acquisition candidates to Payline.

Hampton is to be granted the right to purchase Payline's preferred shares in exchange for a nonrecourse promissory note.

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#90310c0047 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows formal approval was given Oct. 19, 1990, for the merger between Sunburst Bank of Baton Rouge, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Grenada Sunburst System Corp., (TICKER: GSSC) and Commercial National Bank and Trust Co., with Sunburst Bank being the surviving entity.

The merger agreement calls for Grenada Sunburst System Corp. to exchange 168,234 shares of common stock for all 470,150 common shares outstanding of Commercial National Bank and Trust Co.

Grenada Sunburst also announced it has only one class of common stock authorized.

As of Sept. 30, 1990 and Dec. 31, 1990, there were 15.0 million shares of $1 par value common stock with 8.84 shares outstanding Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reports there were 8.85 million shares outstanding on Dec. 31, 1989.

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#90310c0048 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 23 1990, approximately 18% of the issued and outstanding shares of Market Guide Inc.(TICKER: MARG) were sold by former officers and directors and their family members.

The purchasers are the current officers and one other investor in the company.

The following persons purchased Market Guide's common stock at $0.075 per share:

John D. Case, president and chairman of the board, 646,250 shares; Homi M. Byramji, secretary and treasurer, 646,250 shares; and Mark B. Burka as Trustee FBO and Mark B. Burka Trust, 600,000 shares.

Currently, Case owns 1.73 million shares and has 16% voting securities; Byramji owns 1.02 million shares and has 9.5% voting securities; and Burka owns 712,500 shares and has 6.4% voting securities in the company.

The company's address is 49 Glen Head Road, Glen Head, NY 11545, and its telephone number is (516) 759-1253.

-30- 1108

#90310c0049 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Cimarron-Grandview Group Inc. has entered a definitive merger agreement with Cimarron Consolidated Mining & Oil Co., by which the Cimarron-Grandview Group will exchange one share of its common stock for each share of $0.01 par value common stock of Cimarron Consolidated.

The company's address is S. 301 Chestnut, Suite 6, Spokane, WA 99204-0982, and

its telephone number is (509) 456-8383.

-30- 623

#90310c0050 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows lack of necessary financing has forced the company to discontinue its substrate business.

The company reports that although it had produced excellent products for over a year, it had not succeeded in producing production quantities with acceptable quality.

In August, 1990, the company says it liquidated all its assets not directly related to its technology.

Negotiations are underway, it reports, with several prospective buyers and/or joint venture partners with respect to its equipment.

The production facility in Campbell, California, was closed and offices were relocated to Brentwood, California.

The company's offices are located at 5001 Cabrillo Point, Byron, CA 95413, and its telephone number is (415) 634-2116.

-30- 956

#90310c0052 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Balfour Maclaine International Ltd.(TICKER: BML), a subsidiary of Balfour Maclaine Corp., on Nov. 1, 1990, sold certain of the assets and the operating business of its metal ores and concentrates department to Metal Concentrates International Inc., a U.S. subsidiary of Metallgesellschaft AG, a German international raw materials and technology company.

Balfour reports it expects to report a gain of several million dollars in the fourth quarter, and will continue to be involved in the remaining portion of the business for some time.

-30- 785

#90310c0053 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Eastern Environmental Services Inc.(TICKER: EESI) on Oct. 31, 1990, dismissed its former certifying accountant, Giunta, Ferlita & Walsh, and engaged the firm of Ernst & Young in that office.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors

contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 638
#90310c0054 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

GROUP LED BY AMA FINANCIAL CORP OWNS 553,264 SHARES (9.68%) OF NORTHEAST FEDERAL CORP (TICKER: NSB).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

AMA Financial Corp. sold 10,089 shares on Oct. 30, 1990 for $2.88 per share.

-30- 407
#90310c0055 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

J.L. POWERS AS TRUSTEE OF TRUST OWNS 165,021 SHARES (2.60%) OF POLARIS INDUSTRIES PARTNERS L P (TICKER: SNO) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the terms of the partnership agreement of Polaris Industries Partners LP, the class B interests will automatically convert to class A interests on Jan. 1, 1991. The aggregate of the class A and B interests held by J.L. Powers as Trustee of Trust represents 5.9 percent of the combined A and B units outstanding.

-30- 692
#90310c0056 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

J.L. POWERS AS TRUSTEE OF TRUST OWNS 234,848 SHARES (54.60%) OF POLARIS INDUSTRIES PARTNERS L P (TICKER: SNO) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the terms of the partnership agreement of Polaris Industries

Partners LP, the class B interests will automatically convert to class A interests on Jan. 1, 1991. The aggregate of the class A and B interests held by J.L. Power as Trustee of Trust represents 5.9 percent of the combined A and B units outstanding.

-30- 692

#90310c0058 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:15 that trade in Abington (NASDAQ: ABBK) has been resumed. The first sale was 1 3/4; down 1/2 points from the halt, and unchanged from the previous close.

-30- 354

#90310c0059 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:35 that trade in Warehouse Club Inc. (NASDAQ: WCLB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1 1/8. The company is located in Skokie, IL.

-30- 339

#90310c0061 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by TSL Inc.(TICKER: TSLI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(114,062)	$(266,682)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	83,530,011	83,530,011

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,011,221	$1,340,771
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$904,189	$1,210,309

-30- 1007

#90310c0062 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Park Communications Inc.(TICKER: PARC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$38,867,000	$39,260,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,670,000	$3,861,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.18	$0.19

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$291,886,000	$289,489,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$199,107,000	$186,754,000

-30- 1061
#90310c0063 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Fayette Federal Savings Bank.(TICKER: FAYT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$140,173	$157,825
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.63	$0.56

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$69,239,392	$68,813,988
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,259,534	$5,010,345

-30- 913

#90310c0064 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First United Savings Bank.(TICKER: FUSB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$76,464	$9,305
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.14	$0.02

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$134,722,440	$133,467,565
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,399,739	$10,343,494

-30- 914

#90310c0065 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Health Insurance of Vermont Inc.(TICKER: HIVT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,214,797	$1,063,822
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$73,368	$127,667
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.14	$0.23
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	536,655	553,718

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$11,863,442	$11,095,802
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,737,703	$5,541,937

-30- 1028

#90310c0066 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Safe-Waste Systems Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$469,923	$279,070
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$402,414	$(20,779)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,331,781	7,877,093

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$955,523	$285,681
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (LOSS)	$648,992	$(291,278)

The company's executive office is located at 1750 Bloomsbury Ave., Wanamassa, New Jersey 07712.

-30- 1135

#90310c0067 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Panatech Research and Development Corp. (TICKER: PNTC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,457,400	$1,000,500
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$111,700	$(42,700)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,333,010	4,026,900

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,607,000	$12,369,400
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,912,600	$7,580,800

-30- 1041

#90310c0069 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Fingermatrix Inc.(TICKER: FINX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$92,348	$1,585
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(868,123)	$(1,615,215)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	13,378,438	11,208,883

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,065,223	$3,909,481
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,134,707	$1,736,709

-30- 993

#90310c0070 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Sun Electric Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol SE. Trading was resumed at 14:48.

-30- 346
#90310c0071 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:05 that trade in Warehouse Club Inc.(NASDAQ: WCLB) has been resumed. The first sale was 1 1/8; unchanged from the halt, and up 1/4 point from the previous close.

-30- 357
#90310c0072 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - Caterair International Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC relating to the offer and sale by certain holders of up to $150 million principal amount of senior floating rate notes due 1998 of the company.

The senior notes were originally issued in Aug. 1990 in connection with the refinancing of certain indebtedness incurred by Caterair to finance the acquisition of the In-Flite Services Division of Marriott Corp.(TICKER: MHS) and certain of its subsidiaries.

Caterair is the successor to a business wich has been a leading provider of catering services in the airline catering business for over five decades.

The company's executive office is located at 7811 Montrose Road, Suite 400, Potomac, MD 20854. Its telephone number is (301) 309-2800.

-30- 964
#90310c0073 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - Air-Cure Environmental Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1 million shares of its common stock and 1 million redeemable warrants.

Until the completion of the offering, the shares and warrants may only be purchased together on the basis of one share of common stock and redeemable warrant.

The initial public offering price is $5.00 per share and $0.10 per warrant.

Rosenkrantz Lyon & Ross is underwriting the offering.

Air-Cure Environmental designs and markets proprietary air pollution control systems.

The company's executive office is located at 5155 East River Road, Minneapolis MN 55421 and its telephone number is (612) 571-0560.

-30- 907
#90310c0074 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - ManorHouse Retirement Inns Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer up to 700,000 shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is $5.00 per share.

Texas Securities and Barkley-Lockman Investments is underwriting the offering.

The company was organized in 1988 as a Florida corporation to act primarily as a developer, owner and operator, and as a general partner to limited partnerships to be organized as developers, owners and operators, of service-enhanced retirement centers in certified historic structures which qualify for a tax credit equal to 20% of qualified rehabilitation costs under Section 48 of the Internal Revenue Code.

The company's executive office is located at Suite 280, 777 S. Harbor Island Blvd., Tampa, Florida 33602 and its telephone number is (813) 229-1282.

-30- 1066
#90310c0075 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - StatesWest Airlines Inc.(TICKER: SWAL) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1 million shares of its Series A cumulative convertible preferred stock.

The price of the preferred stock is $5.00 per share.

Hibbard Brown & Co. Inc. is underwriting the offering.

StatesWest is a Phoenix-based regional airline that began revenue flight operations on Oct. 1, 1986 and now provides scheduled airline services with 108 daily departures to 15 cities in Arizona, California and Nevada.

-30- 711
#90310c0077 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - American Asset Management Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 550,000 units.

Each unit consists of 3 shares of common stock, one Class A warrant, one Class B warrant and one Class C warrant.

Each Class A warrant entitles the holder to purchase one common share at $3.50 per share.

Each Class B warrant entitles the holder to purchase one common share at $4.00 per share and each Class C warrant entitles the holder to purchase one common share at $4.50.

The initial public offering price is $10.00 per unit.

L.C. Wegard & Co. is underwriting the offering.

The company is engaged in providing financial services, initially in New Jersey, to borrowers primarily in the real estate development businesss.

It also engages in real estate investment activities.

The company's executive office is located at Plaza 202, Suite 108, 150 Morristown Road, Bernardsville, NJ 07924.

Its telephone number is (201) 766-1701.

-30- 1193

#90310c0078 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Scott Instruments Corp.(TICKER: SCTI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$479,418	$176,543
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$60,054	$(98,655)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	26,255,333	24,413,376

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,187,610	$939,411
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$624,308	$415,283

-30- 1046

#90310c0079 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by GBI International Industries Inc.(TICKER: GBII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$158,508	$1,740,101
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(37,813)	$(134,394)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(248,903)	$(561,192)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,054,500	4,054,500

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,750,644	$2,607,318
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (LOSS)	$(2,515,049)	$(1,704,007)

-30- 1089
#90310c0080 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Federal S&L Assn of Lenawee County. (TICKER: LFSA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$655,639	$630,988
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.40	$0.39

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$223,519,745	$214,658,120
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$35,416,168	$34,040,801

-30- 981
#90310c0081 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Bancorp (TICKER: UTBK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	$535
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(29,860)	$3,565
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$21,295,975	$19,934,905
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,371,102	$1,392,964

-30- 939
#90310c0082 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cousins Properties Inc.(TICKER: COUS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,505,000	$4,088,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$4,543,000	$2,362,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.26	$0.13

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$167,141,000	$157,191,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$115,063,000	$107,924,000

-30- 970

#90310c0083 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest annual report filed at the NASD by BI Inc.(TICKER: BIAC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,993,000	$5,588,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$626,000	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,663,000	$(992,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.43	$(0.34)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,908,000	2,951,000

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,881,000	$6,890,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,190,000	$3,654,000

-30- 1024

#90310c0085 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Lawson Products Inc.(TICKER: LAWS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$47,850,406	$46,249,244
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$5,902,105	$6,013,492
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.44	$0.44
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	13,553,837	13,545,111

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$132,400,254	$119,084,597
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$105,237,343	$91,278,502

-30- 1018

#90310c0086 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sage Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: SLAB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,736,901	$1,504,794
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$310,468	$193,113
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.93	$0.48
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	332,313	402,036

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,143,613	$9,601,823
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,632,757	$5,626,557

-30- 1018

#90310c0087 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Brown Disc Products Co. Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,301,785	$1,060,828
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$147,450	$15,666
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	266,000,000	192,666,666

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,097,394	$1,960,901
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (LOSS)	$114,760	$(32,690)

-30- 1035
#90310c0088 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

S.J. KRANSEY OWNS 1,041,940 SHARES (8.50%) OF BANNER INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: BNR) OF CHANTILLY, VIRGINIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 15, 1990 S.J. Kransey acquired 450,000 class B common shares and 15,000 class A shares resulting from his exercise of stock options. The acquisition of the class A shares related to options granted to S.J. Kransey under Banner Industries Inc.'s 1986 stock option plan at an exercise price of $5.16 per share and the class B shares were from options exercised at $5 per share.

-30- 719
#90310c0089 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 402,700 SHARES (43.77%) OF THE LVI GROUP INC (TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 9 and Nov. 2, 1990 Gamco Investors Inc. sold 63,800 shares at $0.25 to $0.44 per share.

-30- 453
#90310c0090 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY I.L. JACOBS OF GROUP LED BY MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA OWNS 953,700 SHARES (14.16%) OF CML GROUP INC (TICKER: CML) OF ACTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Jacobs purchased the shares under the terms of a stock purchase agreement between Jacobs and Minstar Inc. dated Oct. 22, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 31, 1990 Irwin Jacobs purchased 302,300 shares for $12.94 per share.

-30- 596
#90310c0091 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In connection with the lawsuit filed Oct. 9, 1990 entitled Lewis v. Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc.(TICKER: SBN) et al., plaintiff indicated an intent to amend his complaint and the parties stipulated that defendants need respond only to such amended complaint. The plaintiff and defendants subsequently entered into an oral agreement to settle the case. Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. has agreed to make corrective disclosure regarding the Rotan Mosle Inc. presentation to Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc.'s board of directors. The plaintiff has agreed to apply to the court for, and defendant Pier 1 has agreed to pay, plaintiff's counsel fees and expenses not to exceed $75,000.

-30- 902
#90310c0093 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - C.A. JONES OF 300 SOUTH 4TH ST, LAS VEGAS, NV 89101, HAS FILED TO SELL 400,000 SHARES OF CELESTA CORP. THROUGH G K SCOTT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(CELESTA CORP. TEL: 702 878-0336)

-30- 374

#90310c0094 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RADCLIFFE BUSINESS & CONSL SERVICES OF 2201 2ND ST NE, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55418, HAS FILED TO SELL 72,000 SHARES OF TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. THROUGH EQUITY SECS TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. TEL: 612 545-1000)

-30- 456
#90310c0095 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.A. CAPPETTA OF 215 BEACH ST, #1-G, WEST HAVEN, CT 06516, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF UTI CHEMICAL INC. THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(UTI CHEMICAL INC. TEL: 714 837-0800)

-30- 393
#90310c0096 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.M. BOND OF 1324 GLENHAVEN DR, FT COLLINS, CO 80526, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,703 SHARES OF AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL COMPUTER IN THROUGH A.G. EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL COMPUTER IN TEL: 303 447-0505)

-30- 443
#90310c0097 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT A LAPETINA OF 4196 ABINADI RD, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84124, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF EDO CORP. (TICKER: EDO) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(EDO CORP. TEL: 718 445-6000)

-30- 393
#90310c0098 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RIVER BLINDNESS FOUNDATION OF ONE SUGAR CREEK CENTER, SUGAR LAND, TX 77487, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 263-0318)

-30- 443
#90310c0099 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EWING OIL INC OF 5005 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1150, DALLAS, TX 75244, HAS FILED TO SELL 49,921 SHARES OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. TEL: 214 701-2100)

-30- 438
#90310c0101 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL G HALL OF 14820 SW 149 AVE, MIAMI, FL 33196, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,464 SHARES OF CORDIS CORP. (TICKER: CORD) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 02, 1990.

(CORDIS CORP. TEL: 305 824-2297)

-30- 382
#90310c0102 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TRUST INVESTMENT MANAGER OF TIME & LIFE BLDG ROCKFELLER CENT, 75 ROCKEFELL NEW YORK, NY 10020, HAS FILED TO SELL 175,000 SHARES OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(TIME WARNER INC. TEL: 212 484-8000)

-30- 455
#90310c0103 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BARRY E WAGMAN OF 14571 VALLEY VISTA BLVD, SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91403, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 02,

1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 445
#90310c0104 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BENNO C SCHMIDT OF 630 FIFTH AVE, ROOM 3200, NEW YORK, NY 10111, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. TEL: 617 876-1170)

-30- 438
#90310c0105 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID W THAMES OF P O BOX 6214, MONTGOMERY, AL 36194, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF DURR-FILLAUER MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: DUFM) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(DURR-FILLAUER MEDICAL INC. TEL: 205 241-8800)

-30- 436
#90310c0106 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD TROIANO OF 1148 WEST LILL, CHICAGO, IL 60614, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 410
#90310c0107 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEWAYNE R VONFELDT OF 1510 DORCHESTER DR, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73120, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,000 SHARES OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 02, 1990.

(STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 314 342-2000)

-30- 434
#90310c0109 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM SCOTT HEDRICK OF C/O INTERWEST PARTERS, 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG #3 MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,517 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

-30- 467
#90310c0110 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAYMOND W VIRTUE OF 13324 HAWTHORNE BLVD #125, HAWTHOORNE, CA 90250, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF VIRCO MANUFACTURING CORP. (TICKER: VIR) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 02, 1990.

(VIRCO MANUFACTURING CORP. TEL: 213 532-3570)

-30- 448
#90310c0111 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MERVYN K COX OF 350 EAST 600 SOUTH, SAINT GEORGE, UT 84770, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,000 SHARES OF SKYWEST INC. (TICKER: SKYW) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 02, 1990.

(SKYWEST INC. TEL: 801 628-4206)

-30- 399
#90310c0112 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID HELLER OF 224 SHEARWATER, FOSTER CITY, CA 94404, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BORL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 02, 1990.

(BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 408 438-8400)

-30- 424
#90310c0113 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES G DAVIS OF 150 CASTLEGATE RD, 0, MACON, GA 31210, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,813 SHARES OF FIRST LIBERTY FINANCIAL CORP. (G (TICKER: FLFC) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 02, 1990.

(FIRST LIBERTY FINANCIAL CORP. (G TEL: 404 936-3250)

-30- 455
#90310c0114 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD A COGGIOLA OF P.O.BOX 10, COLUMBIA, SC 29202, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,500 SHARES OF POLICY MANAGEMENT SYS CORP. (TICKER: PMS) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 02, 1990.

(POLICY MANAGEMENT SYS CORP. TEL: 803 735-4313)

-30- 428
#90310c0115 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 453
#90310c0117 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FALK RALPH II TTEE OF ONE BAXTER PKWY, DEERFIELD, IL 60015, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX) THROUGH WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 02, 1990.

(BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 708 234-0668)

-30- 435
#90310c0118 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES F WIGGETT OF 3622 DIABLO CT, PLEASANTON, CA 94566, HAS FILED TO

SELL 4,000 SHARES OF SCHWAB (CHARLES) CORP. (TICKER: SCH) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(SCHWAB (CHARLES) CORP. TEL: 415 627-7000)

-30- 424
#90310c0119 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK TSENG OF 6029 ATKINSON RD, 0, NEW HOPE, PA 18938, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(TSENG LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 215 968-0502)

-30- 421
#90310c0120 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL R NAKONECHNY OF P O BOX 477, VALLEY FORGE, PA 19481, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(MENTOR CORP. (MN) TEL: 805 967-3451)

-30- 417
#90310c0121 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN S LEWIS OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 446
#90310c0122 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L MANTHE OF 427 FIR, 0, REEDSPORT, OR 97467, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF MERLIN MINING CO. (TICKER: MMCO) THROUGH FIRST CAPITAL SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(MERLIN MINING CO. TEL: 801 521-6700)

-30- 404
#90310c0123 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MOLLIE GIAMANCO OF 11 WOODRIDGE AVE, MIDDLETOWN, NJ 07748, HAS FILED TO SELL 120,000 SHARES OF CRYOMEDICAL SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: CMSI) THROUGH SPEAR LEEDS & KELLOGG. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(CRYOMEDICAL SCIENCES INC. TEL: 301 913-9000)

-30- 441
#90310c0125 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A FISHMAN OF 200 N ROCKINGHAM AVE, 0, LOS ANGELES, CA 90049, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,000 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 428
#90310c0126 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID B LEDERER OF 50 SUPERIOR RD, ROCHESTER, NY 14625, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF DETECTION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DETC) THROUGH ADKINS SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(DETECTION SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 716 223-4060)

-30- 422
#90310c0127 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEILL H BROWNSTEIN OF 415 LOWELL AVE, PALO ALTO, CA 94301, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,903 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 443
#90310c0128 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - WAGMAN KANDO 1988 TRUST #2 OF 9333 OSO AVENUE, CHATSWORTH, CA 91311, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 459
#90310c0129 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WAGMAN KANDU 1988 TRUST #1 OF 9333 OSO AVENUE, CHATSWORTH, CA 91311, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 459
#90310c0130 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GROUP WEST INC OF 7005 PROSPECT PL NE, ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87110, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SUMMA MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: SU) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(SUMMA MEDICAL CORP. TEL: 505 345-8891)

-30- 417
#90310c0131 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRAUN DAVID EST OF 3200 GIL CHRIST RD, MOGADORE, OH 44260, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,100 SHARES OF AMERICAN BUSINESS COMPUTERS CORP (TICKER: ABCC) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(AMERICAN BUSINESS COMPUTERS CORP TEL: 800 321-0969)

-30- 459
#90310c0133 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MILES R INGBER OF 211 WEST 71ST ST, NEW YORK, NY 10023, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH

PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 02, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 429
#90310c0134 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

NATIONAL COMPUTER ANALYSTS INC OWNS 2,500,000 SHARES (41.30%) OF DIMENSIONAL MEDICINE INC (TICKER: DMED).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 388
#90310c0135 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

J.R. UPDYKE OF HATBORO, PENNSYLVANIA OWNS 648,900 SHARES (17.90%) OF UNITED SERVICES ADVISORS INC (TICKER: USVS) OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 16 through 30, 1990, United Services Advisors Inc. acquired 57,200 shares at a price of $1.50 to $1.56 per share.

-30- 486
#90310c0136 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

DIETCHE & FIELD ADVISERS INC OWNS 594,375 SHARES (6.00%) OF TEREX CORP (TICKER: TERX).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 5, 1990 through Oct. 22, 1990, Dietche & Field Advisers Inc.

acquired 166,000 shares at a price of $8.50 to $14.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 489
#90310c0137 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 22

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 2, 1990, Kansas Gas & Electric Co.(TICKER: KGE) filed a motion for suspension of hearing procedures and a request for rehearing with the US Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

-30- 409
#90310c0141 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 2,214,220 SHARES (8.17%) OF QUAKER STATE CORP (TICKER: KSF).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 5 to Oct. 2, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 230,300 shares and sold 22,500 shares for $8.50 to $10.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 514
#90310c0142 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, D.J. MARCHANT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONCORD COMPUTING CORP. (TICKER: CEFT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90310c0144 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, D.J. MARCHANT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONCORD COMPUTING CORP. (TICKER: CEFT), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 343
#90310c0145 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, R.K. LYTLE, PRES. OF CAPSTEAD MORTGAGE CORP. (TICKER: CMO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90310c0146 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 17, 1990, R.K. LYTLE, PRES. OF CAPSTEAD MORTGAGE CORP. (TICKER: CMO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,200.

-30- 310
#90310c0147 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 30, 1990, R.G. FARIS, PRES. OF LASALLE CAPITAL CORP. SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,000.

-30- 300
#90310c0148 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, G.A. COLLI JR, DIR. OF OLDE WINDSOR BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 2,097 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,829.

-30- 308
#90310c0149 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 21, 1990, D.D. HOOK, SHAREHOLDER OF UNCLE GEORGE'S PIZZA & SUBS INC. SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90310c0150 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 23, 1990, D.D. HOOK, SHAREHOLDER OF UNCLE GEORGE'S PIZZA & SUBS INC. SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90310c0152 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 24, 1990, D.D. HOOK, SHAREHOLDER OF UNCLE GEORGE'S PIZZA & SUBS INC. SOLD 125,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 730,000.

-30- 336
#90310c0153 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, D.D. HOOK, SHAREHOLDER OF UNCLE GEORGE'S PIZZA & SUBS INC. SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90310c0154 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, D.D. HOOK, SHAREHOLDER OF UNCLE GEORGE'S PIZZA & SUBS INC. SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90310c0155 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 25, 1990, D.D. HOOK, SHAREHOLDER OF UNCLE GEORGE'S PIZZA & SUBS INC. SOLD 33,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 562,000.

-30- 334
#90310c0156 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, D.D. HOOK, SHAREHOLDER OF UNCLE GEORGE'S PIZZA & SUBS INC. SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90310c0157 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 9, 1990, D.D. HOOK, SHAREHOLDER OF UNCLE GEORGE'S PIZZA & SUBS INC. SOLD 133,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 329
#90310c0158 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 27, 1990, T.H. CORBIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF REGAL COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: RCOM), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $1.29 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 350
#90310c0160 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, J.P. BRADY, DIR. OF FIRST CHARLOTTE FINL CORP. BOUGHT 550 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,460.

-30- 303
#90310c0161 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, PETER R BRIDENBAUGH, OFFICER OF ALUMINUM CO. OF AMERICA (TICKER: AA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $54.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 331
#90310c0162 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 30, 1990, ROBERT A PETERSON, DIR. OF ALEXANDER ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: AEOK), BOUGHT 267,625 SHARES AT $0.93 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 583,360.

-30- 332

#90310c0163 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ARTHUR H ARONSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALLEGHENY LUDLUM CORP. (TICKER: ALS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 346
#90310c0164 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, J T BENTON III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AZTEC MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: AZTC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 347
#90310c0165 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, J T BENTON III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AZTEC MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: AZTC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90310c0166 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, R J SWARTZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AZTEC MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: AZTC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90310c0168 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, R J SWARTZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AZTEC MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: AZTC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,075.

-30- 339
#90310c0169 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90310c0170 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 421,228.

-30- 313
#90310c0171 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, WILLIAM D MACGILLIVRAY, SHAREHOLDER OF BAY STATE GAS CO. (TICKER: BGC), BOUGHT 244 SHARES AT $20.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90310c0172 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, WILLIAM D MACGILLIVRAY, SHAREHOLDER OF BAY STATE GAS CO. (TICKER: BGC), BOUGHT 244 SHARES AT $20.46 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 673.

-30- 334
#90310c0173 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, FINN M W CASPERSEN, CHAIRMAN OF BENEFICIAL CORP. (TICKER: BNL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $36.72 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 545,992.

-30- 328
#90310c0174 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, COMCAST CORP, BEN. OWNER OF COMCAST CABLEVISION OF PHILADELPHIA INC. (TICKER: CCPI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,442,125.

-30- 363
#90310c0176 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN P MCGRAIN, CHAIRMAN OF CONVERSION INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CVD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90310c0177 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOHN P MCGRAIN, CHAIRMAN OF CONVERSION INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CVD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90310c0178 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOHN P MCGRAIN, CHAIRMAN OF CONVERSION INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CVD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,957.

-30- 323
#90310c0179 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DAN C NEWMAN, DIR. OF ESB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: ESBB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90310c0180 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, DAN C NEWMAN, DIR. OF ESB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: ESBB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 305
#90310c0181 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, ROBERT G PHILLIPS, CHAIRMAN OF EASTEX ENERGY INC. (TICKER: ETEX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,966,000.

-30- 329
#90310c0182 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, STEVE L HIU, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90310c0184 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, STEVE L HIU, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90310c0185 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, STEVE L HIU, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90310c0186 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, STEVE L HIU, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90310c0187 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, STEVE L HIU, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90310c0188 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, STEVE L HIU, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90310c0189 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, STEVE L HIU, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90310c0190 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, STEVE L HIU, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90310c0192 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, STEVE L HIU, PRES. OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,267,483.

-30- 327
#90310c0193 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MANUEL PERRY JR, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FCOB), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,669.

-30- 332
#90310c0194 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOE E DAVIS, DIR. OF FREYMILLER TRUCKING INC. (TICKER: FRML), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 320
#90310c0195 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, THOMAS W MOORE, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCSHARES INC.

(TICKER: FSCB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,069.

-30- 334
#90310c0196 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JAMES A JONES, OFFICER OF GENICOM CORP. (TICKER: GECM), BOUGHT 291 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,253.

-30- 299
#90310c0197 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, FRANK B WALLACE, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 3,348 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,917.

-30- 309
#90310c0198 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, FRANK B WALLACE, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 1,534 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90310c0200 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, PETER S LYNCH, DIR. OF GRACE (W.R.) & CO. (TICKER: GRA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90310c0201 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, PETER S LYNCH, DIR. OF GRACE (W.R.) & CO. (TICKER: GRA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 304
#90310c0202 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOHN R GREY, DIR. OF GROSSMAN'S INC. (TICKER: GROS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 302
#90310c0203 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, CHARLES R ENNIS, VP OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,006.

-30- 291
#90310c0204 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, CHARLES R ENNIS, VP OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,017.

-30- 293
#90310c0205 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOSEPH G BLESER, OFFICER OF HBO & CO. (TICKER: HBOC), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90310c0206 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOSEPH G BLESER, OFFICER OF HBO & CO. (TICKER: HBOC), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,949.

-30- 301
#90310c0208 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, GEORGE C GREER, OFFICER OF HEINZ (H.J.) CO. (TICKER: HNZ), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90310c0209 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, GEORGE C GREER, OFFICER OF HEINZ (H.J.) CO. (TICKER: HNZ), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 113,352.

-30- 317
#90310c0210 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ROBERT J LOANE, VP OF INFODATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INFD), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,042.

-30- 314
#90310c0211 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WILLIAM G KUHNS, DIR. OF INGERSOLL-RAND CO. (TICKER: IR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 312
#90310c0212 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOHN A PIGOTT, DIR. OF ITEL CORP. (TICKER: ITL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 292
#90310c0213 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, FREDERIC L COOK, VP OF MARK IV INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,427.

-30- 298
#90310c0214 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JAMES F BERE, DIR. OF K MART CORP. (TICKER: KM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,150.

-30- 293

#90310c0216 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, HOWARD G HAAS, DIR. OF MORGAN PRODUCTS LTD. (TICKER: MGN), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90310c0217 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, HOWARD G HAAS, DIR. OF MORGAN PRODUCTS LTD. (TICKER: MGN), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 297
#90310c0218 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, THOMAS A BELSHE, CHAIRMAN OF MUNICIPAL HIGH INCOME FUND INC. (TICKER: MHF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,167.

-30- 343
#90310c0219 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, H TAYLOR MORRISSETTE, DIR. OF MORRISON INC. (TICKER: MORR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 316
#90310c0220 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM G SALATICH, DIR. OF MOTOROLA INC. (TICKER: MOT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $52.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 307
#90310c0221 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, EDWARD K DUNN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MERCANTILE BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: MRBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 355
#90310c0222 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PETER S LYNCH, DIR. OF MORRISON-KNUDSEN CO. (TICKER: MRN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $38.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90310c0224 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, PETER S LYNCH, DIR. OF MORRISON-KNUDSEN CO. (TICKER: MRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 315
#90310c0225 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90310c0226 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90310c0227 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90310c0228 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ELI SHAPIRO, CHAIRMAN OF NUVISION INC. (TICKER: NUVI),

BOUGHT 5,300 SHARES AT $3.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,047,204.

-30- 308
#90310c0229 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ELIZABETH M EVEILLARD, DIR. OF PAMIDA HOLDINGS CORP. (TICKER: PAM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 325
#90310c0230 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JAMES H BOLTON, CHAIRMAN OF PROVENA FOODS INC. (TICKER: PVNA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600.

-30- 318
#90310c0232 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, REGINALD B NEWMAN II, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RAND CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: RAND), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90310c0233 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, REGINALD B NEWMAN II, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RAND CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: RAND), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90310c0234 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, REGINALD B NEWMAN II, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RAND CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: RAND), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90310c0235 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, REGINALD B NEWMAN II, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RAND CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: RAND), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 183,544.

-30- 349
#90310c0236 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ROBERT W MILLER, OFFICER OF THE REECE CORP. (TICKER: RCE), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 301
#90310c0237 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, FRANK J MURNANE, DIR. OF RIVER FOREST BANCORP. (TICKER: RFBC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 321
#90310c0238 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, RICHARD B ARMIGER, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,500.

-30- 299
#90310c0240 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CHARLES E HARRIS, DIR. OF SANTA ANITA REALTY ENTERPRISES INC. OPERATING CO. (TICKER: SAR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90310c0241 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, CHARLES E HARRIS, DIR. OF SANTA ANITA REALTY ENTERPRISES INC. OPERATING CO. (TICKER: SAR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 361
#90310c0242 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, CHARLES I FEURZEIG, CHAIRMAN OF SDNB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SDNB), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $7.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 168,891.

-30- 333
#90310c0243 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, MURRAY L GALINSON, PRES. OF SDNB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SDNB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,450.

-30- 323
#90310c0244 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DONALD L TEEMSMA, DIR. OF SDNB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SDNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 318
#90310c0245 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, LEONARD TESSLER, DIR. OF SDNB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SDNB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,979.

-30- 318
#90310c0246 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JULIUS H ZOLEZZI, DIR. OF SDNB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SDNB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,350.

-30- 319
#90310c0248 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ALVIN GAUVIN, OFFICER OF SENECA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: SENE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 306
#90310c0249 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM T NANOVSKY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SENECA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: SENE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 336
#90310c0250 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, MARC P SHORE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SHOREWOOD PACKAGING CORP. (TICKER: SHOR), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,325,000.

-30- 351
#90310c0251 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ROBERT W GELBACH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUDBURY INC. (TICKER: SUDS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90310c0252 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ROBERT W GELBACH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUDBURY INC. (TICKER: SUDS), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,964,656.

-30- 335
#90310c0253 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, TVI CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF SUDBURY INC. (TICKER: SUDS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90310c0254 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, TVI CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF SUDBURY INC. (TICKER: SUDS), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,964,656.

-30- 311
#90310c0256 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, DARRYL T BARBE, VP OF SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC (TICKER: SUNW), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $28.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,663.

-30- 313
#90310c0257 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, KARL D GERHART, VP OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,200.

-30- 318
#90310c0258 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, LAWRENCE M THOMPSON JR, OFFICER OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,125.

-30- 333
#90310c0259 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, JAMES G LANE JR, CHAIRMAN OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,000.

-30- 312
#90310c0260 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1989, BASIL P LIVANOS, DIR. OF TEREX CORP. (TICKER: TERX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 292
#90310c0261 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, RAYMOND D MEYO, PRES. OF TELXON CORP. (TICKER: TLXN), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90310c0262 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, RAYMOND D MEYO, PRES. OF TELXON CORP. (TICKER: TLXN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101,704.

-30- 299
#90310c0264 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, GARY L FRUEH, VP OF U.S. HOME CORP. (TICKER: UH), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,200.

-30- 296
#90310c0265 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, GORDON ROBINETT, DIR. OF UNIFORCE TEMPORARY PERSONNEL INC. (TICKER: UNFR), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90310c0266 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, GORDON ROBINETT, DIR. OF UNIFORCE TEMPORARY PERSONNEL INC. (TICKER: UNFR), SOLD 10,500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,430.

-30- 345
#90310c0267 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GARY L PATTERSON, VP OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,440.

-30- 312
#90310c0268 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, W ALLEN PATTON JR, SHAREHOLDER OF VIRGINIA FIRST SVGS BANKS FSB (TICKER: VFSB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90310c0269 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, W ALLEN PATTON JR, SHAREHOLDER OF VIRGINIA FIRST SVGS BANKS FSB (TICKER: VFSB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90310c0270 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, W ALLEN PATTON JR, SHAREHOLDER OF VIRGINIA FIRST SVGS BANKS FSB (TICKER: VFSB), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,431.

-30- 356
#90310c0272 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, STEVEN J APPEL, PRES. OF VALUE MERCHANTS INC. (TICKER: VLMR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 201,000.

-30- 319
#90310c0273 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, LARRY J DAVIS, VP OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,776.

-30- 306
#90310c0274 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, CHARLES A ELLIOTT, DIR. OF WATERS INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: WTRS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

-30- 326
#90310c0276 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

N. ELOWITZ OWNS 923,600 SHARES (10.44%) OF THE ULTIMATE CORP (TICKER: ULT) OF EAST HANOVER, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

N. Elowitz has been notified that the board of Ultimate Corp. has approved his request for the purchase of up to 15 percent of the company's common stock without triggering the shareholder rights associated with such a stake.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

N. Elowitz purchased 127,100 shares from Aug. 6 to Oct. 30, 1990 for $1.88 to $5.88 per share.

-30- 671
#90310c0277 11/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 16

GROUP LED BY SHAMROCK ASSOCIATES OF FAR HILLS, NEW JERSEY OWNS 417,935 SHARES (6.70%) OF FIRST WESTERN FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: FWES) OF LAS VEGAS, NEVADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

First Western Financial Corp. has scheduled its annual meeting for Nov. 28, 1990 and Shamrock Associates have stated that they may seek the election of two nominees to the board of First Western Financial Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Shamrock Associates purchased 39,700 shares from Oct. 16-29, 1990 for $4.96 to $6.50 per share.

-30- 730

#90310c0278 11/06/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

NETWORTH PARTNERS LP OWNS 455,310 SHARES (5.84%) OF VENTURA ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LTD (TICKER: VEGG) OF NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 4, 1990 to Nov. 5, Networth Partners LP bought 268,300 shares at $7.43 to $9.75 each and sold 37,800 shares at $8.13 to $7.88 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 535

#90310d2680 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 6) - Institutional investors and officials said Tuesday they expected Japan's participation in the current U.S. Treasury bond auction to remain prudent at 20 percent or less.

The U.S. government plans to use the quarterly auction to borrow a record of nearly 35 billion dollars between Tuesday and Thursday. The funds are needed to finance the federal budget deficit and service official debt.

A finance ministry official said he expected Japanese investors to buy 20 percent of the total.

In the last auction in August, Japanese bought 20 percent of U.S. debt sold, a drop from 30 percent in May and 30 to 40 percent three months earlier, the ministry said.

According to the economic newspaper Nihon Keizai Shimbun, a number of institutional investors have expressed a lack of enthusiasm for U.S. debt.

It cited Nippon Life, Daiwa Investment Trust, Yamaichi Investment Trust Management Co., Nikko Securities Co., Meiji Mutual Life and Dai+Ichi Mutual.

Others said they would not participate at all in the bond issue, including Sumitomo Life Insurance Co., Asahi Mutual Life Insurance Co., Mitsui Mutual

Life Insurance, Nikko Securities Investment Trust and Management Co. and Mitsubishi Trust and Banking Corp.

Finance specialists said increasing Japanese indifference in U.S. debt was due primarily to the closing gap between local and U.S. interest rates, which stood at about one percentage point.

Prospects for a stronger yen were also discouraging Japanese buyers, and few investors here were bullish on the U.S. Treasury bond markets in the short+term.

The future U.S. monetary policy, which was expected to loosen, has been put into question by inflationary pressures with the higher cost of imported oil, a factor which has also dampened prospects for overall economic growth.

In addition, large Japanese investors have suffered severe losses on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, resulting in a drop in their buying power.

Vice Finance Minister Makoto Utsumi, who is in charge of international affairs expressed an opposing view last week when he said he did not expect Japanese investors to bow out of this week's U.S. bond auction.

Mr. Utsumi said that a sharp drop in purchases of foreign bonds in September was caused by factors including the practice of insurance companies injecting funds into banks twice yearly to help them window-dress their balance sheets.

"In October we started seeing very substantial increase in net acquisitions of foreign currency-denominated bonds," he said, adding that the diversification of Japanese portfolios to include foreign assets was "deeply rooted."

Most Japanese interest was expected in three-year bonds, market sources said.

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#90310d3300 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 6) - Foreign investment in Hong Kong's manufacturing industries went up 14 percent to more than 29.7 billion Hong Kong dollars (3.8 billion U.S.) last year, the Industry Department said Tuesday.

T.H. Barma, director of the department, said the figure was nearly three times the 1984 total of 11.4 billion Hong Kong dollars (1.5 billion U.S.) when the first such survey was conducted.

He said the relative position of the big four investors had not changed with the United States remaining the largest, accounting for 31 percent, followed by Japan, 29 percent, China, 11 percent, and Britain, seven percent.

"Although Japan remained in second place, it accounted for nearly half (47

percent) of total overseas investment made in Hong Kong's manufacturing industries in 1989," Mr. Barma said.

Nearly 60 percent of total overseas investment was in the electronics, electrical products, textiles and clothing and chemical products industries, according to the survey conducted from June to September this year on 589 companies that reported an overseas investment interest.

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#90310d3320 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (NOV. 6) - Taiwan's foreign trade regained momentum in October to score rises of nine percent and 14.2 percent in exports and imports respectively over a year earlier, government statistics showed Tuesday.

Exports in October amounted to 6.21 billion U.S. dollars, while imports in the month totalled 5.02 billion, leaving a trade surplus of 1.19 billion dollars, an 8.6 percent drop over October of last year, according to the Directorate General of Budget, Accounting and Statistics.

Economic officials attributed October's trade rally to a stabilized local currency against the greenback and a drop in the value of the Taiwan dollar against the Japanese yen and major European units over the past two months.

The once booming foreign trade had suffered from slower growth with several monthly declines in both imports and exports this year in a domestic economic slowdown mainly caused by a plunging stock market.

Exports in the January-October period inched up 0.5 percent to 55.67 billion dollars, while imports increased 3.6 percent to 45.19 billion dollars, the government office said.

The country's trade surplus in the first ten months of 1990 dipped 10.9 per cent over the same period of last year to 10.48 billion dollars, it said.

The trade surplus with the United States, the island's largest trading partner shed 23.8 percent to 7.8 billion dollars in the first ten months of 1990 amid Taipei's efforts to narrow the trade gap which hit 12 billion dollars last year, it said.

The U.S. took a 33 percent share of Taiwan's overall exports in the January-October period, followed by Japan with 12.4 percent, it added.

The long-standing trade deficit with Japan, Taiwan's biggest supplier, surged 8.6 percent to 6.27 billion dollars in the same period.

Japan sold products worth 13.15 billion dollars to the export-oriented island in the first ten months, accounting for 29.1 percent of Taiwan's total imports

it said.

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#90310d3360 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 6 (AFP) - Malaysia's trade surplus shrank further to 342.8 million dollars (127 million U.S.) in the first eight months of the year,

falling 94 percent from the same period last year, Bernama news agency said Tuesday.

Exports totalled 49.532 billion dollars (18.345 billion U.S.) in the first eight months of the year, up 13.3 percent on the same period last year while imports rose 28.8 percent to 49.189 billion dollars (18.218 billion U.S.).

Malaysia suffered a trade deficit of 281.6 million dollars (104.3 million U.S.) in August compared to a deficit of 119 million dollars (44.1 million U.S.) in July and a surplus of 776.5 million dollars (287.6 million U.S.) a year earlier.

Bernama quoted the statistics department as saying that if the merchandise surplus continued to shrink until the end of the year, Malaysia's current account deficit looked certain to deteriorate further.

"This deterioration may weaken the ringgit," the department said.

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#90310d3370 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 6) - The Asian Development Bank (ADB) approved Tuesday an equity investment of 250 million baht (10 million dollars) and a 30 million-dollar loan to the Bangkok Expressway Company Ltd. (BECL) of Thailand.

The project involves the construction of an elevated, 37-kilometer (23-mile), multi-lane toll expressway system aimed at easing severe traffic jams in the Thai capital, the ADB said in a written statement.

The project would be operated under a 30-year, build, operate and transfer concept between BECL and the Expressways and Rapid Transit Authority of Thailand.

Financing will come from a local consortium of 11 Thai banks and an offshore consortium of 30 foreign banks, and includes the tapping of the local capital market by the direct issuance of medium-term notes supported by local and offshore bank guarantees.

The 1.05 billion-dollar project, expected to be completed in 1995, includes an option for an extension to Don Muang airport.

BECL is a public limited company incorporated in 1987. The major shareholder is the Japan-based international construction company Kumagai Gumi Co. Ltd.

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#90310d3380 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK, Nov 6 (AFP) - Thailand's major commercial banks have decided to raise their prime lending rate from 15 percent to 15.75 percent to cope with a tight money situation aggravated by the Gulf crisis, banking sources said Tuesday.

The raise, to be put into effect Wednesday, might affect the country's economic growth as it could discourage major investors from undertaking big projects, some analysts said.

The prime rate is a special lending interest rates banks offer to their major preferred borrowers with good credit standing.

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#90310d3390 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 6) - The Asian Development Bank (ADB) approved a 125 million dollar loan and three technical assistance grants totalling 500,000 dollars to Bangladesh, an ADB statement released here Tuesday said.

The loan will support a development program for Bangladesh's foodcrop sector that would increase rice output by four per cent and wheat yields by two per cent in order to meet the country's food requirements.

The interest-free loan has a 40-year maturity period, including a grace period of 10 years, the Manila-based ADB said.

The grants will go to formulating a new tariff structure for agriculture, identification of options for ground and surface water development and strengthening a food planning and monitoring unit, the ADB statement added.

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#90310d3440 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 6) - Japanese shipbuilder Sumitomo Heavy Industries Ltd. said Tuesday its net profit climbed 24.1 percent from a year earlier to 1.3 billion yen (nine million U.S. dollars) in the six months to September.

Sales edged up 0.7 percent to 105 billion yen (761 million dollars) in the same period, the company said. General machinery sales rose 0.2 percent to 31 billion yen (225 million dollars) while sales of other machinery climbed 11.1 percent to 41 billion yen (297 million dollars).

But sales of ships and steel fell 6.9 percent to 30 billion yen (217 million dollars) and sales of quantum devices such as electron-beam irradiation equipment plunged 26.9 percent to three billion yen (22 million dollars).

Sumitomo forecast a net profit of 4.5 billion yen (33 million dollars) for the full year with sales reaching 280 billion yen (two billion dollars).

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#90310d3460 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SUVA (NOV. 6) - Fiji's military-backed government has announced plans to cut defense spending, reduce import tariffs and price controls, deregulate the labour market and reform taxes.

Finance Minister Josevata Kamikamica told a news conference here Monday that measures would be introduced to "set the economic system free from ... a network of regulations that prevent the operation of free markets."

He said the country hoped to follow the economic successes of the four Asian Tigers: Singapore, Hong Kong, Taiwan and South Korea.

Mr. Kamikamica said Fiji's armed forces had grown in strength from 2,000 men before two military coups in 1987, to 5,015 today.

"It would take time to contain expenditure on the army but that is what we want to do," he said.

The defence budget was about five million Fiji dollars (4.45 million U.S.) before the coups and some 30 million dollars now.

The government intended to reduce import tariffs to "increase competition," he said.

Tariffs on some goods were currently as high as 107 per cent, but Mr. Kamikamica said attempts to isolate Fiji from global prices in the 20 years since independence were unrealistic.

He said imports of goods and services, even after two decades of import replacement policies, amounted to about 50 per cent of gross domestic product.

"With such a large import requirement, the country must export, and it must accept world prices as the determinant of what it produces," he said. "It has done so in tourism and should do so in manufactured goods and primary products."

He pointed to the Asian tigers, West Germany and Japan as examples of nations that "achieved success through exporting."

Mr. Kamikamica cited Fiji's construction industry as an example of a sector suffering from high prices of protected inputs.

"This in turn inhibits investment," he said.

In parallel, the government would reduce price controls, which were originally imposed to ensure that industries protected by high tariffs (like locally manufactured milk) did not make unreasonably high profits.

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#90310d3490 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (NOV. 6) - Singapore's Keppel Shipyard has been awarded a 14 million Singapore dollar (8.2 million U.S.) contract from Australia to convert a bulk carrier, Keppel announced Tuesday.

Keppel, part of the government-controlled Keppel Corp. Ltd., said the job involved the conversion of 32,452-dwt. bulk carrier M.V. Audax, owned by Austrlian National Line Limited (ANL), into a self-discharging bulk carrier.

The Senior General Manager of Keppel Shipyard, Kung Yew Hock, said Keppel was the first shipyard in Singapore "to be entrusted to carry out a complex conversion of this nature."

Current projects at Keppel included the conversion of the U.S.-owned Conkouati (formerly Enterprise 1) and the Russian-owned Sovietskaya Rossiya. The former is being converted from a storage tanker into a floating production storage offloading facility while the latter is converted from a whaling vessel into the world's largest fish factory ship.

Another Keppel company, Singmarine Industries, is in the process of completing a 120-TEU roll-on, roll-off container vessel for the ANL group.

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#90310d3600 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NUREMBERG (NOV. 6) - The number of people out of work rose in eastern Germany but declined in the western part of the country in October, in comparison to the same month last year, it was announced here Tuesday.

The Federal Labor Office said the number of unemployed in former East Germany rose during the twelve-month period by 92,900 to 537,800, meaning that 6.1 of the population had no job.

But the number of jobless in western Germany went down by 186,200 to 1,687,434 people, or to 6.5 per cent, during the same period, it said.

Overall, 2,225,233 people were without work in Germany at the end of October, the Office added.

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#90310d3660 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (NOV. 6) - The rebel-held Jaffna hospital in northern Sri Lanka, closed since Tamil guerrillas and government troops renewed fighting on June 11, was reopened Tuesday by the International Committee of the Red Cross, officials said.

The hospital was reopened after months of negotiations held by the Red Cross with leaders of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) and the Sri Lankan government, a Red Cross official here said.

He said the Tigers had vacated the large hospital, which caters to some 800,000 people in the Jaffna peninsula, and that ICRC officials were busy marking the boundary of a 350-meter (yard) safety zone around the facility.

Colombo vacated troops from a nearby army-held fort on September 26 and asked the Red Cross to move into the fort to facilitate the reopening of the hospital.

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#90310d3700 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (NOV. 6) - The number of people unemployed in Poland exceeded the level of one million at the end of October, the formerly Communist Trybuna daily newspaper reported on Tuesday.

The number of jobs available totalled 63,000 and the workforce totals 18 million people.

Governmental forecasts, published by the press on Tuesday, said that unemployment could double by the end of 1991 to total two million people.

The same forecasts, which were debated by the government on Monday, foresee an inflation rate of 52 percent and an increase of gross national product of four percent.

Output should grow by 5.5 percent and the trade balance could show a deficit of 900 million dollars in taking account of high oil prices.

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#90310d3800 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 6) - North Sea Brent crude oil for December delivery dipped to 31.30 dollars per barrel here Tuesday morning, continuing the easier trend in

motion since the start of the week, before stabilising to stand at 31.45.

The fall, from 32.80 dollars overnight took the total loss in the London market's benchmark quotation since the start of the week to 2.55 dollars per barrel, and came in line with weakening prices in other world crude oil markets.

Analyst Simon Irwin of Kleinwort Benson said that the slide reflected an inevitable markdown from the 34 dollar peak Friday.

"Everyone went home Friday discounted for an outbreak of war (in the Gulf) during the weekend. It didn't happen, so the market had only one way to go."

And Richard Jones of County NatWest said that the market had reacted to news that Saudi Arabian output had reached 8.2 million barrels per day and could go to 8.5 before long. He said that operators "are ignoring for the time being the growing feeling that conflict is around the corner."

Increasing signs that the current world downturn in economic activity could be steeper than anticipated were also weighing on sentiment, analysts said.

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#90310d3910 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Jeddah, Saudi Arabia (NOV. 6) - U.S. troops based in Saudi Arabia would be under a joint command with Saudi forces in the event of an Iraqi attack but under American command in military operations outside the Saudi border, Western diplomats said Tuesday.

A diplomat told the German News Agency dpa that agreement on a field command and control of U.S. forces confronting Iraq was reached Monday night during talks in the Red Sea port of Jeddah between U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Saudi Arabia's King Fahd and his cabinet.

The agreement provided for U.S. and Saudi forces to work under a joint command to defend Saudi Arabia against any Iraqi assault, the diplomat said.

But in the event of military operations inside Iraq or Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, U.S. troops would be under American command and their operations would be coordinated at the highest political level, the diplomat added.

The United States is spearheading an estimated 300,000-strong multinational force deployed in Saudi Arabia and other Gulf states to thwart any Iraqi attack, following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

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#90310d4040 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 6) - The Asian Bankers Association wound up its annual meeting here Tuesday with newly elected chairman Tetsuya Horie calling for increased exchanges of credit information between regional banks.

"It is important to increase the efficiency of financial institutions as well as to improve the financial markets and systems in each country," the president of Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan Ltd. told a news conference.

Mr. Horie also called one the association's 107 member banks to boost exchanges between management, implement training programs and undertake joint studies to identify major challenges facing the Asia-Pacific region.

The proposed "credit information system" would complement existing exchanges of data between correspondent banks in the region. Such exchanges could be conducted in a "more friendly manner" although "there are various matters to be considered such as confidentiality," Mr. Horie said.

The new chairman said the two-day meeting repeatedly heard "negative views" towards the establishment of a protectionist trading bloc in the Asia-Pacific region and moves towards using a single currency for regional trade.

"Cooperation in this region will be different in nature from the (European Economic Community) single market. The Asia-Pacific region should be more diversified and outwardly open." he said.

"To further enhance the use of the yen in international transactions would not be compatible with the direction in which we are heading," he said.

Mr. Horie was elected as the association's chairman to replace Patrick Yeoh, president of Development Bank of Singapore Ltd. Reginald Nicolson, managing director of Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Ltd., was elected deputy.

The association, formed in Taiwan in 1981 and now comprising 93 banks from the Asia-Pacific region plus 14 non-regional banks, said it would hold its next annual meeting in Malaysia.

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#90310d4090 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 6) - Some 160 representatives from 158 foreign countries and two international organizations will attend Japanese Emperor Akihito's enthronement ceremony here on Monday, the government said Tuesday.

The number might increase, as Cambodia and Somalia have yet to reply to invitations to the ceremony at the Imperial Palace, the Foreign Ministry said.

Foreign leaders attending the ceremony will include some 70 heads of state, 20 prime ministers, 15 vice presidents and 35 cabinet members, it said, adding

that the United Nations and the European Economic Community would send representatives.

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#90310d4110 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NUREMBERG, Germany (NOV. 6) - October, the month of German unification, saw unemployment in East Germany soar, overtaking the West German rate for the first time, the Federal Labour Office reported Tuesday.

In former West Germany, unemployment affected 5.8 percent of the workforce, a fall of 0.1 percent compared with September, it said.

But in the five Laender (states) that were East Germany, the rate soared from five percent in September to 6.1 percent, the agency said.

The president of the Federal Labour Office, Heinrich Franke, said the "upswing" in employment in the western part of the country was partly due to a slowdown in migration from the east after unification.

In the east, however, "necessary structural changes, for the time being, are eliminating more jobs than are being created," Mr. Franke said.

Unemployment in the united Germany in October was 2,225,000 after 2,172,000 in September.

The East German Laender joined the Federal Republic of Germany on October 3, after successive months of economic crisis that required repeated financial bailouts by Bonn.

The number of registered jobless in former East German territory rose 92,900 during October, to reach 537,800, a rise of 21 per cent, the office reported.

But added to this are East Germans who are "partially unemployed" - who still report for duty at state firms, and are still paid, but have little or no work to do as the enterprise is bankrupt in all but name.

There are 1.78 million East Germans who fall into this category, a rise of 39,300 over the month. Many of them are expected to join the dole queue in the coming weeks.

Some analysts predict that unemployment in former East Germany could rise to 20 percent before investment and economic growth take effect.

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#90310d4170 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 6) - Belgium is to set up a "welcome center" for Japanese

firms, the Belgian foreign ministry confirmed here Tuesday following a meeting Monday between Economic Affairs Minister Willy Claes and Japanese businessmen.

The announcement came after annual talks between Belgium and Japan on industrial and technological cooperation, which Mr. Claes said were aimed at attracting Japanese business to Belgium.

The minister and his colleagues from regional government met with Japanese businessmen already active in Belgium and with representatives of major Belgian firms active in Japan.

In 1989 the value of Japanese investments in Belgium almost doubled to about 11.5 billion francs (360 million dollars).

There are about 200 Japanese firms in the country, employing around 2,000 people.

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#90310d4190 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (NOV. 6) - A war in the Gulf region could unleash a world ecological catastrophe comparable with the Chernobyl nuclear reactor accident, King Hussein said here Tuesday.

The possible use of chemical and biological weapons combined with destruction of oil fields would not only have serious environmental consquences for the region but for the whole planet, said King Hussein.

The Jordanian monarch was addressing the World Climate Conference here which is due to end Wednesday after ten days of discussion on measures to combat global warming.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher told the conference that the threat of temperature increases in the global climate was real enough ''to make changes and sacrifices, so that we do not live at the expense of future generations.''

King Hussein conferred with French President Francois Mitterrand Monday in Paris where he laid out plans for an ''Arab solution'' to the Gulf crisis. He also had talks with Thatcher in Geneva on Tuesday morning.

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#90310d4270 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 6) - The French Spie-Batignolles company, British Davy corporation and Kaiser of the United States on Tuesday announced that they had created a joint structure called SDK to bid for contracts for aluminium factories and related projects.

Spie-Batignolles, a subsidiary of the Schneider group, specializes in big projects involving several specialities. The British company specialises in planning complex projects particularly those involving enginerring.

Kaiser Engineers, which is part of the American Capital and Research Corporation (ACR), has expertise in the fields of aluminium, iron, copper, coal and bauxite, transportation systems and in the environment.

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#90310d4280 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 6) - Japan's Yamanouchi Pharmaceuticals Co. Ltd. said Tuesday its net profit climbed 18.7 per cent from a year earlier to 16.2 billion yen (117 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, one of the country's leading drug manufacturers and currently engaged in an aggressive expansion abroad, said sales grew 8.2 per cent to 106 billion yen in the same period (768 million dollars).

Sales of circulatory, respiratory, digestive and metabolic agents rose along with hormone turnover while sales of nervous and sensory agents, vitamins and antibiotics fell, the company said.

Net profit is forecast to reach 32 billion yen (232 million dollars) in the full year on sales of 210 billion yen (1.5 billion dollars).

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#90310d4300 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 6) - Japan's five major life insurance firms suffered an on-paper loss of some 1.3 trillion yen (10 billion dollars) in transactions of stocks and bonds in the six months to September, Jiji Press said Tuesday.

The amount was a gap between the book value and the actual prices of securities at the end of September.

Without quoting sources, Jiji said the loss incurred by the insurance companies stemmed from sharp drops in the prices of Japanese stocks in August and September.

The five firms were Nihon Life Insurance Co., Dai-Ichi Life Insurance Co.,

Sumitomo Life Insurance Co., Meiji Life Insurance Co. and Asahi Life Insurance Co., all major investors in securities.

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#90310d4310 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (NOV. 6) - Ayala Corp., a Philippine first real estate and financial holding, has set up two new companies including one to manage an industrial park in partnership with Mitsubishi and Kawasaki corporations of Japan, company spokesmen said Tuesday.

A 250 million peso (8.93 million dollar) holding company, Laguna Technopark Inc., will cover the operation and management of an industrial park that Ayala is setting up in Laguna province just outside the capital.

Ayala Corp. will own 60 per cent of Laguna Technopark with the Japanese firms owning the balance, company spokesmen said.

The one billion peso (35.7 million dollar) Ayala Hotels Inc. will serve as a holding company for two luxury hotels owned by Ayala as well as for the minority holdings that the real-estate firm has in two more luxury hotels still under construction in Manila.

This development appears to be an extension of the strategy of Ayala Corp. which transformed itself into a holding company for firms under the Ayala group of corporations and spun-off its flagship real-estate operations into a separate company called Ayala Land last year.

Ayala Corp., which has diversified into food processing and electronics, posted a net income of 1.24 billion pesos (54 million dollars) last year.

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#90310d4360 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (NOV. 6) - South Korea's shipyards received no orders in October as concern over the Gulf situation froze demand, news reports said Tuesday.

It was the first time since May 1988 that a month had gone by without sales, the national news agency, Yonhap, said.

The agency, quoting the Korea Shipbuilders Association, said that in addition to fears of a Gulf war, record high prices were keeping customers away.

South Korean shipbuilders were also more picky about customers, as they had enjoyed a very good year so far, Yonhap said.

Despite the lack of orders in October, 1990 will still be a very good year for the industry, it said.

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#90310d4370 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Hong Kong (NOV. 6) - Overseas investment in Hong Kong's manufacturing

industry rose 14 percent to 29.7 billion Hongkong dollars (3.8 billion U.S. dollars) in 1989, according to a government survey released Tuesday.

However an overwhelming majority of foreign firms surveyed said that future political prospects were either unfavourable or neutral. Only 25 percent viewed future prospects as being favourable.

Commenting on the survey results, Tybejee Barma, the Director of Industry, said politics was only one factor in the assessment of foreign companies. He stressed that they found many other factors to be positive.

Despite the political traumas of 1989, investment had risen and was expected to stay at the same level this year, he said.

The United States remained the single largest investor in the colony, followed by Japan, which last year accounted for nearly half of all new investments.

Chinese companies were the third biggest investors and British firms were fourth in the league despite the fact that this was the only country showing a decline in its investment commitments.

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#90310d4380 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 6) - There is now a 60 percent chance of peace in the Gulf, PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat declared here after talks with former Japanese prime minister Yasuhiro Nakasone.

Mr. Arafat and Mr. Nakasone late Monday discussed "the possibilities of military confrontation" in the Gulf, where some 340,000 foreign forces have assembled since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, the Iraqi News Agency (INA) said.

The chances are now "60 percent for peace and 40 percent for war," the Palestine Liberation Organisation chief said.

"Chances for peace will be even greater after (Tuesday's) Congressional elections, as (U.S. President George) Bush could be under less pressure then than in the past few days," according to Mr. Arafat.

The PLO leader met Tuesday with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz to consider "the threats against the Arabs because of the foreign military presence on Arab territory, as well as the Palestinian question," INA reported.

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#90310d4390 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (NOV. 6) - Indonesia Tuesday rejected an offer of peace talks from Fretilin, the rebel movement in the former Portuguese colony of East Timor,

describing it as "an old song unworthy of comment."

"The Indonesian government does not recognise the existence of Fretilin as representing the people of East Timor ... So why should we heed them," the official Antara news agency quoted Foreign Minister Ali Alatas as saying.

Xanana Gusmao, a leader of the East Timor National Liberation Front (Fretilin) which has been waging a guerilla war since Jakarta annexed the territory in 1976, told Australian journalists recently he was "ready to discuss any project for a solution without preconditions under the United Nations auspices".

Speaking from his mountain hideout in East Timor, Mr. Gusmao called on Indonesia to adopt "a more flexible policy" and proposed negotiations "between the people of East Timor and Jakarta" leaving out Portugal, which the United Nations continues to recognize as the territory's administering power.

"If Jakarta does not adopt a more flexible attitude, Fretilin is prepared to continue to resist for as long as necessary", he said, according to reports carried by the Australian Broadcasting Corporation and published by the The Age of Melbourne last week.

Indonesia invaded East Timor in late 1975 after Fretilin proclaimed it independent as the Portugese administration withdrew. Jakarta unilaterally incorporated the territory of some 600,000 people six months later.

As far as the Jakarta was concerned, the issue was resolved when the majority of East Timorese voted for integration with Indonesia when the territory was decolonised, Mr. Alatas said.

Indonesia is currently holding talks with Portugal in New York under the auspices of U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

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#90310d4410 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MBARARA, UGANDA (NOV. 6) - News of the killing of Rwandan rebel leader Major-General Fred Rwigyema and his two most senior commanders has shocked Uganda, where they were almost national heroes.

Maj.-Gen. Rwigyema, like his right-hand men Major Peter Bayingana and Major Chris Bunyenyezi, fought with Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni when he was a guerrilla leader in the early 1980s. After Mr. Museveni took power in 1986, Maj.-Gen. Rwigyema became deputy commander of Uganda's armed forces.

All three rebel leaders fled Rwanda as children to escape tribal massacres in the late 1950s when their minority Tutsi tribe, Rwanda's traditional rulers,

lost power to the majority Hutu tribe in the runup to independence in 1962.

Uganda's role in the Rwandan conflict has raised many questions. The rebels, mostly Ugandan army deserters of Rwandan origin, invaded Rwanda from this neighbouring country on October 1.

The Ugandan government has denied supporting the rebels or having advance warning of their plans. But Western diplomats say the massing of about 4,000 rebels near the border could not have escaped notice.

The estimated 250,000 Rwandan exiles in Uganda almost certainly helped bankroll the rebels, who took arms and ammunition when they deserted the Ugandan army.

Their fight for the right to return to Rwanda has aroused the sympathy of many ordinary Ugandans.

They draw parallels between the Rwandan rebels' struggle and Mr. Museveni's years in the bush, comparing Rwanda under President Juvenal Habyarimana with Uganda under former president Milton Obote, despised for human rights abuses and corruption.

"Why shouldn't the Rwandans go home?" a local businessman asked here. "They've wanted to go back for so long."

"Before they fought with us, and now they're fighting for themselves," an official in this town near the border said recently.

Meanwhile, the rebels themselves, still reeeling from the loss of their three top men, say they are digging in for a hit-and-run guerrilla war that could last months or even years.

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#90310d4460 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Essen (NOV. 6) - The German electrical utility and industrials concern Rwe reported here Tuesday a net profit of 784 million marks (523 million dollars) in the 1989-90 business year, up 25 percent from 629 million marks the year before.

Rwe chairman Friedhelm Gieske, presenting the results for the year ending last June 30, said the concern's group turnover reached 44.2 billion marks, up 13.5 percent from the 1988-89 figure.

He attributed the strong turnover growth to the first-time inclusion of the consolidated results of several subsidiaries, among them the construction firm Hochtief. Without such special factors, Rwe's turnover rise would have been a more modest 3.8 percent.

Gieske said the company would propose to the main shareholders' meeting on December 13 a dividend payout of 20 percent per share, up from last year's 18 per cent and from the 16 percent dividend two years ago.

Electrical utility business accounted for 43 percent of the overall group turnover of the Rwe concern, he reported.

The remaining 57 percent came from the company's various divisions, miningraw materials, machinebuildding, petroleumchemicals, construction, and waste management.

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#90310d4490 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PHNOM PENH (NOV. 6) - An extraordinary session of the Cambodian National Assembly here Tuesday backed the government's decision to accept a U.N. Security Council peace blueprint on war-plagued Cambodia.

The meeting also approved three ministerial appointments already filled -- foreign affairs, commerce and agriculture -- and formally ended a friendship and cooperation treaty with what used to be East Germany, deputies said.

Parliament chairman Chea Sim, in a closing address, also called on the three-party resistance to reconvene a joint interim authority, the Supreme National Council (SNC).

He said the suspended first meeting of the body should gather again with 12 members to start negotiations "on the key problems of a political settlement of the Cambodian problem."

These included a "voluntary ceasefire, cessation of overseas military aid, the sending of an SNC delegation to the United Nations, the repatriation of refugees, free and fair general elections and ensuring that defence of independence and national sovereignty remains a crucial issue."

The SNC was set up September 10 at a meeting of the four warring factions in Jakarta but its first meeting was suspended in Bangkok due to differences over the final composition of the body that will head the country and take its U.N. seat until elections.

The two sides could not agree on the number of members or the leadership of the body, with Phnom Penh demanding parity and rejecting resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk as chairman unless its Prime Minister Hun Sen became vice chairman.

The SNC was set up under a blueprint formulated by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council -- Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and

the United States.

That plan also envisaged the SNC delegating certain administrative functions and the organising of elections to the United Nations during a transition period beginning with a ceasefire.

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#90310d4510 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Munich (NOV. 6) - The German machinebuilding, vehicles and industrial group M.A.N. said here Tuesday it gained new orders of 4.66 billion marks (3.1 billion dollars) in the first quarter of the new business year, up 19 percent on the same period last year.

Maschinenfabrik-Augsburg-Nuremberg company chairman Klaus Goette said turnover in the July 1-September 30 period of the 199091 year had risen by 13 percent to 3.57 billion marks.

The figures were a continuation of the strong performance last year, when M.A.N. netted a 327.7 million mark surplus, up 19 percent from 198889, and turnover of 18.9 billion marks, up 11 percent.

Goette said that as of September 30, the M.A.N. concern had over 17.9 billion marks' worth of orders on its books, 10 percent higher than a year earlier.

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#90310d4540 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 6) - India appeared heading Tuesday for an extended period of political uncertainty and religious turmoil with a snap poll seen as the only solution to the political impasse.

Even as the 11-month-old administration of Vishwanath Pratap Singh was set to bow out of office, Chandra Shekhar, 63, who has always been an also-ran for the post for the past decade, was close to fulfilling his life's ambition to occupy the chair of the prime minister.

Indian President Ramaswamy Venkataraman, a titular head in ordinary circumstances, holds the key to the country's political future.

With the Singh government likely to be defeated in a confidence vote in the Lok Sabha (lower house of Parliament) Wednesday, any incumbent government is bound to be of purely interim nature, with survival entirely dependent on narrow and compromising political adjustments among incompatible interests.

Even though none of the political parties, except the Hindu nationalist Bharatiya Janata Party, is keen on facing the electorate again, a snap poll appears to be the only option to clear the air.

Monday's split in the ruling Janata Dal party was an inevitable consequence of squabbling among its top leaders since it came to power after the November 1989 polls.

Shekhar, working in tandem with Devi Lal, 76, a maverick politician and former deputy prime minister, staged a rebellion by weaning away 82 deputies, including six ministers, to their side. The united Dal had a strength of 178 deputies in both houses of parliament.

But since the runaway group hardly has enough strength to form a new cabinet, Shekhar has sought support from the opposition Congress (I) Party led by former premier Rajiv Gandhi.

Shekhar has quietly forgotten that he once strongly criticised the ''personalised politics'' of Rajiv and his late mother, Indira Gandhi, and that Mrs. Gandhi jailed him when she clamped Emergency Rule on the country in 1975-77.

Congress, with 193 deputies of its own and an additional 29 members from its allied parties, is the biggest party in the 545-member lower house, where 20 seats are vacant.

The president will probably first ask Gandhi to form a government once Singh resigns. Only if Rajiv declines would Shekhar be requested to step in, provided Congress supports him.

Rajiv told newsmen Tuesday after a one-hour meeting with Shekhar, ''We have decided to work together. We will pull the country back from the brink.''

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#90310d4560 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH, GERMANY (NOV. 6) - Mysterious lights flashing in the night sky over much of western Europe on Monday were due to an exploding meteorite, a spokesman at the Munich observatory said Tuesday.

The meteorite, travelling eastwards, shattered as it entered the earth's atmosphere, the spokesman said.

An airline pilot on a flight from Brussels to Frankfurt told the observatory that his aircraft, flying at 9,000 metres (18,000 feet) altitude, was overtaken by a "comet" which exploded into about 15 pieces.

Witnesses in France, who included pilots and air traffic controllers, described a "diamond-shaped flying saucer", "a kind of big, luminous metallic structure", and "a flashing triangular Unidentified Flying Object".

Strange lights in the sky were also observed over Britain by airline officials.

In northern Italy, an intense white light with five slipstreams in its wake was seen moving across the sky from west to east between Genoa and Turin.

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#90310d4650 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV. 6) - German post offices on Tuesday began issuing two commemorative stamps to mark the anniversary of opening of the Berlin Wall, on November 9.

The stamps, priced at one Deutsche mark (66 cents) and 50 pfennigs (33 cents), portray a crowd on top of Berlin's Brandenburg Gate, and an opening, chiselled in the Wall, through which passes a rainbow in the German national colours.

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#90310d4670 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAPE TOWN (NOV. 6) - White liberal leader Zach de Beer, the former Anglo American Corporation executive who heads the Democratic Party, told the party faithful here Tuesday a lurch to either extreme would wreck the country.

Speaking at a party lunch, he said shift to the right, "presumably as a result of some bad behaviour by black leadership", could lead to anarchic violence, international rejection and economic collapse.

But a shift to the left, "if a new-style general election were held and if it brought to power a government which had a communist or socialist policy" would be just as disastrous in the long run, he warned.

"Government expenditure would soar, investment would cease, growth would be absent or negative, unemployment would mount, inflation would gallop and the currency would collapse.

"In the end, when there were no goods in the shops, the violence would come again," he said.

South Africa's economy was already in a mess, he said, pinning his hopes for a remedy on a moderate, democratic government with widespread legitimacy among both blacks and whites.

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#90310d4770 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHAD (NOV. 6) - President Saddam Hussein decided Tuesday to release 77 Japanese held in Iraq, as well as 29 Italian, Swedish, German and Portuguese nationals, the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported.

The Iraqi leader was authorizing 77 Japanese to leave Iraq following a request from the former Japanese prime minister, Yasuhiro Nakasone, INA said.

Twenty Italians, five Swedes, two Portuguese and two Germans were also being allowed to leave Iraq, the agency said.

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#90310d4780 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 6) - Asian nations hoping to secure increased European Community development aid in the 1990s may be in for a long and frustrating wait.

Under a plan drawn up by the E.C. Executive Commission last May, Asian and Latin American countries are due to receive 2.9 billion Ecu (3.7 billion dollars) in aid for a five year period starting in 1991.

E.C. North-South Commissioner Abel Matutes, who came up with the idea of a 55 per cent rise in E.C spending in the two regions, has earmarked about 70 per cent of the new package for developing nations in Asia. Money will be spent in both South Asia and Asean.

But, despite six months of intensive debate, Matutes' proposals have still not received ministerial approval.

The twelve E.C. development ministers who discussed relations with Asia at their meeting in Brussels on Monday insisted that while their political commitment to Asia remained undimmed, there could be no quick go-ahead for increased E.C. development spending in the region.

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#90310d4900 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Tokyo (NOV. 6) - Bilateral trade between Japan and Vietnam is expected to expand further amid Hanoi's ''doi moi'' (reforms) programme in the economy, trade industry sources say here.

Under the ''doi moi'' initiatives, Hanoi has introduced a series of free market mechanisms aimed at stimulating the domestic economy.

In addition, the moves toward a normalisation of diplomatic ties between Vietnam and the United States are contributing to the expansion of trade between Japan and Vietnam, the sources say.

Trade experts say Japanese investments in Vietnam have gone into developing mineral resources, including crude oil and iron ore, assembling home electric appliances, and supporting textile manufacturing.

A foreign ministry official in charge of Vietnam says that the main reason for expanding the bilateral trade now are increasing crude oil imports from Vietnam.

At the government level, Tokyo is hoping for wider trade with Vietnam, which abounds in natural resources and has a greater market potential, the official added.

A major trading firm official said Vietnamese companies had been enlarging their business links with western capitalist nations.

But some ''obstacles'' remained for Vietnam to become a good trade partner with Japan and other western advanced countries, he added.

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#90310d4950 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (NOV. 6) - An attempt to extort money from 50 rich families in Sweden has been exposed by Swedish and German police, Swedish radio reported Tuesday.

One man had been arrested by police in the German city of Munich as he was trying to pick up money sent to him by one of the families, the report said.

The 50 families had all received letters saying they would be targets of a terror attack, unless they paid 400,000 Swedish krona (71,000 dollars) to an address in Germany.

The letters were typewritten in Swedish, and had been mailed in the southern Swedish city of Helsingborg on October 15.

Swedish radio news said several families had moved abroad out of fear for their lives.

The public prosecutor in charge of the case, Sven Olof Danielsson, said Tuesday that chances of catching the culprits were slim.

He said the man arrested by Munich police had been told to forward the letter containing the extortion money to another address in Europe.

''As it is now, I don't think anyone will try to pick up more letters sent according to instructions in the blackmail letters'', Danielsson said.

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#90310d4960 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 6) - Details of China's latest census issued Tuesday revealed

the size of the People's Liberation Army (PLA) to be 3,199,100 men and women while the population of Shanghai is higher than projected.

The PLA had as many as four million in its ranks until senior leader Deng Xiaoping ordered a 25 percent cut in manpower during the 1980's.

First figures from the national census, concluded July 1, were issued a week ago and put the size of mainland China's population at just over 1.13 billion people.

Shanghai turned out to be bigger than expected, with 13,341,896 people including those living in its rural suburbs. Its size had been projected last year at 12.62 million.

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#90310d4970 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (NOV. 6) - Ivory Coast's parliament on Tuesday passed a constitutional change giving its speaker the office of head of state with full powers in the event of a vacancy in the presidency.

Parliament has since 1980 been presided over by Henri Konan Bedie, 56, whose name has in the past been cited among those who could succeed the octogenarian President Felix Houphouet-Boigny.

Mr. Houphouet-Boigny, 85, was last month reelected for a seventh term in office which he has said will be his last. He has not named a successor.

The national assembly also approved another measure on Tuesday authorizing the head of state to name a prime minister.

The elections last month were Ivory Coast's first ever multiparty poll. Supporters of Mr. Houphouet-Boigny's opponent, Laurent Gbagbo, have charged that fraud was widespread.

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#90310d5020 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (NOV. 6) - Major opposition parties in Bangladesh called Tuesday upon Western donors and the World Bank to link any future aid commitments to democracy and free elections in the country.

''Foreign aid is being squandered and not reaching the poor in Bangladesh,'' said Sheikh Hasina Wazed, chief of the Awami League, the largest opposition group.

He was addressing a rally of more than 50,000 protesters who had gathered in front of an international hotel where World Bank officials and representatives

of Western countries are meeting for a review of aid use in Bangladesh.

Bangladesh receives annually between 1.8 to 2 billion dollars of Western aid either as grants or soft loans.

Sheikh Hasina, who heads an eight-party alliance, said elections in the country were manipulated and a rubber-stamp parliament was unable to question the government about aid use.

Begum Khaleda Zia, another prominent opposition figure, made a similar plea to Western countries and asked them to be cautious about giving aid to Bangladesh.

Earlier, thousands of anti-government demonstrators called upon President Hussain Muhammad Ershad to resign and allow general elections under a caretaker government.

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#90310d5060 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (NOV. 6) - Nigeria would work with post-apartheid South Africa, Nigerian Minister of External Affairs Ike Nwachukwu said on Monday, who did not expect any leadership tussle between the two countries.

"There is no reason why Nigeria should engage South Africa in a political or economic race. Our policy should see to it that we do not develop an adversary relation with emergent South Africa, rather, we should develop a symbiotic relation with that country", he told the opening of a two-day conference on "economic diplomacy".

Nigeria and South Africa have great potentials which could be harnessed to pull the continent out its present poverty, the retired major general said, adding that South Africa had the technology and solid industrial base from which the West African natiion could profit.

Nigeria's present leadership position in Africa arose from the fact that 22 per cent of the continent's population lives in Nigeria, he said, adding that the nation's "preponderant positions lie in our human resources".

Apartheid is the major obstacle between both countries, which Nigeria is committed to eradicating, he said.

Nigeria's policy towards apartheid South Africa should be based on realism and caution until the on-going changes in that country becomes irreversible, he said.

"We must continue to call on the international community to maintain the limited economic sanctions and arms embargo which well-meaning nations and the United Nations have imposed on South Africa", he added.

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#90310d5070 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (NOV. 6) - A militant Islamic group said Tuesday that it had instructed its followers around the world to identify potential American and western targets to be hit in the case of war breaking out between Iraq and U.S.-led forcs deployed in the Gulf.

Nader Tamimi, spokesman for ''Islamic Jihad - Jerusalem,'' said members of the organisation ''have been given instructions to strike against the interests of western countries involved against Iraq in the Gulf.''

Tamimi, who is the eldest son of the group's spiritual leader, Sheikh As'ad Bayoud Tamimi, said his group ''has decided to fully and totally support Iraq's confrontation with the western alliance.''

He told a news conference that he welcomed Monday's assassination in New York of Meir Kahane, a militant Jew who advocated expelling Arabs from Israel and the Israeli-occupied Arab territories.

''We had allocated 20,000 dollars to kill Kahane some time ago,'' Tamimi said. ''But somebody else has apparently succeeded.''

Islamic Jihad - Jerusalem claimed responsibility for the stabbing deaths of three Israeli soldiers in Jerusalem last month in retaliation for the killing by Israeli police of 20 Palestinians during disturbances on Jerusalem's Temple Mount.

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#90310d5080 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BREMEN, Germany (NOV. 6) - Greenpeace activists blocked a train carrying nuclear waste bound for Britain for several hours Tuesday, finally forcing it to return to the Unterweser nuclear plant where it took on the load, the ecological organization said.

It said the train was to pass through several big cities, including Bremen, Cologne and Trier, on its way to the French port of Dunkirk. From there, the load was to be shipped to Dover for treatment at the Sellafield plant in northern England.

Greenpeace had sent a protest letter to the German Unterweser plant charging that the waste could contaminate people along the train route as well as the sea.

Militants Greenpeace ecologists moved huge concrete blocks across the train tracks Monday night and continued the protest for several hours, into Tuesday

morning before clearing the tracks.

Police said there had been no risk to other train traffic.

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#90310d5110 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (NOV. 6) - Ireland will vote for a new president on Wednesday in an election that, fired by a recent scandal with the ruling party candidate, has transformed into a battle between the generations and the sexes.

The contest is between the candidate of tradition, Brian Lenihan of the governing conservative Fianna Fail party, and a young feminist lawyer Mary Robinson, an independent who has promised to "blow away the cobwebs" in the Irish presidency.

Though a woman president was unthinkable at the start of the campaign, it has now become a real possibility.

Results will not be known before Thursday night at the earliest, and more likely on Friday because of Ireland's complex system of proportional representation.

This involves what is known as a single transferable vote, in which each voter submits a ballot listing the candidates in his or her order of preference.

Mr. Lenihan, 60, was Ireland's vice-premier until his dismissal from office last week. He was accused of pressuring President Patrick Hillery into appointing Charles Haughey as prime minister in 1982 without holding a general election during a constitutional crisis.

He had denied putting on any pressure, although he conceded the facts in a little-published student interview in May, 1989.

But he has remained the ruling party's candidate.

He lagged in opinion polls at the height of the scandal, at one point trailing 20 points behind Mrs. Robinson, a 46-year-old mother of three backed by the small Irish Labour Party.

But he has closed the gap in the latest poll, with both candidates standing at 43 per cent.

Some Dublin bookmakers are again giving him the advantage in what is now forecast as a close race.

Mr. Lenihan's party has couched his dismissal over the last week in the more sympathetic terms of a "sacrifice" to save his "old friend" Mr. Haughey.

The scandal has not damaged his enormous reserves of support, especially in the rural bastions of the nationalist Fianna Fail movement.

An adept politician, he is likeable, warm and embodies the traditional values of the Irish countryside and its staunchly Catholic background.

Long dubbed "Mr. No Problem", he is perhaps Ireland's most popular politician.

Mrs. Robinson, for her part, has countered with an energetic "liberal" campaign, refusing to mince words on her support for divorce and contraception long taboo subjects in the heavily Catholic republic.

She has clearly aimed for the vote from the middle classes, women and Ireland's new generations. Overall, Ireland has the highest percentage of young people in Europe.

"The presidency is not a consolation prize for sacked cabinet ministers," she said recently.

She has struck up a vote transfer agreement with the third candidate in the race, Austin Currie, who is standing for the main opposition party, Fine Gael. This accord remains the wild card in the race -- and could lead to Mr. Lenihan's defeat.

The election is the first presidential ballot in 17 years. They are usually a formality and spark little interest. The rule still held true until two months ago.

But Mrs. Robinson suddenly livened things up when she stormed onto the scene and promised to "blow away the cobwebs" from the presidental residence in Dublin's Phoenix Park. She said she would make the office a "national resource".

The Irish presidency has progressively lost its flare since Ireland elected its first president, the statesman and independence hero Eamon De Valera, in 1959.

Her slogan is, "A woman's place is in the Park", but her dynamism is such that even some supporters fear she may be overqualified for what is largely an honorific post.

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#90310d5180 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RANDBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 6) - Randburg, the plush middle- to upper-class suburb of Johannesburg, goes through the ritual Wednesday of electing an MP to a white-only parliament whose days are numbered. A two-horse race, it seems an

unequal contest.

On the one hand is Marthinus van Schalkwyk, a 31-year-old former Stellenbosch University academic who gave up the presidency of the liberal Afrikaner Jeugkrag in August to fight for the ruling National Party (NP) and President Frederik de Klerk's reforms.

Opposing him is 28-year-old garage owner Leonie Steele, whose campaign for the Conservative Party (CP) has warned of the annihilation facing whites if De Klerk is allowed to sell out to the anti-apartheid African National Congress.

The result will not affect the NP's absolute majority in parliament - it has 94 of the 166 seats - but both sides have billed the contest as a mini-referendum on reform.

That Mrs. Steele will lose is a foregone conclusion. Of the 22,785 registered voters, 60 percent of them English-speaking and 40 percent Afrikaans, she might get 3,000 to turn out for her, analysts predict.

That will still be a 400 percent improvement on the 755 votes the CP notched up in the September 1989 segregated general election, which De Klerk has said was the last in South Africa's history.

CP Deputy Leader Ferdi Hartzenberg claimed at the weekend that a 12 percent swing towards the CP would mean the party could win a whites-only general election - which De Klerk explicitly and emphatically ruled out when he gave the final campaign speech on Monday night.

A 17 percent swing, according to Hartzenberg, would mean the CP could get voters to say "no" in the referendum De Klerk has promised South African whites to pass judgement on the new constitution enfranchising the black majority he wants to negotiate from next year.

Van Schalkwyk told Agence France-Presse his main aim was to get as many voters as possible to the polling booths to deprive the CP of the opportunity to make claims about the significance of a swing.

He said he would revert to the old urban election tactics of mobilizing fleets of cars to patrol the constituency, urging voters to turn out and driving those with transport problems to polling stations.

"The important thing for us is to put on a good show and to bring in a good result," he said. "If we get more than 10,000 it will be a resounding victory, that would be wonderful."

At the back of his mind was the disastrous swing to the CP in the Natal by-election in Umlazi on June 6, which left the NP candidate's victory looking decidedly hollow.

Van Schalkwyk's election agent Jan Lutz said the prospects for getting liberals to the polls had improved with the announcement Monday that the NP would not contest Johannesburg's Yeoville constituency when Democratic Party (DP) MP Harry Schwarz resigns next year to become ambassador in Washington.

Lutz said that decision had gone a long way to overcoming the bitterness felt by DP supporters that the party had got nothing in return for its own decision not to contest Randburg, which fell vacant in July when former DP co-leader Wynand Malan retired from politics.

Malan polled 8,481 votes in September 1989, beating NP high-flyer Glenn Babb by 1,714 votes.

De Klerk was at pains Monday night to urge DP supporters to get behind him and his reforms, a cause helped by Malan's announcement last week that he would vote for the National Party.

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#90310d5220 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 6) - Djibouti and countries in the European Economic Community (EEC) have asked France to evacuate their nationals from Mogadishu, should the need arise, a French Foreign Ministry spokesman confirmed here Tuesday.

Diplomatic sources in Mogadishu, reached from Nairobi, had on Monday said the French Embassy there was making plans to evacuate several dozen Djibouti nationals from the capital of war-torn Somalia on Wednesday.

There has been speculation in the region that the move is related to the defection of three senior Somali army officers last week to Djibouti, which has agreed to help them find a country ready to give them asylum.

The soldiers were based in northern Somalia where recent gains have been made by the Somali National Movement (SNM), one of three main rebel forces seeking to topple the 21-year-old regime of Major-General Mohamed Siad Barre.

The foreign ministry spokesman said Tuesday that 25 French nationals and about 100 other EEC nationals are currently in Somalia, most of them in the Mogadishu region.

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#90310d5230 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (NOV. 6) - Monsignor Cahal Brendan Daly, Bishop of Down and Connor, was appointed Archbishop of Armagh by the Vatican on Tuesday to become leader of Ireland's 3.7 million Roman Catholics, the apostolic nunciature said.

Msgr Daly, 73, who had been a bishop for 23 years, succeeds Cardinal Tomas O Fiaich who died in France last May.

Conservative and strictly orthodox, Msgr Daly is reputed to have views closely parallel to those of Pope John Paul II.

Known as a virulent opponent of the Irish Republican Army, he is likely to be well received by Ireland's Protestant community. The IRA's political branch, Sinn Fein, accuses the archbishop of being pro-British.

His predecessor, Cardinal Tomas O Fiaich, was often accused by Irish Protestants of being too weak in his criticism of the IRA.

Msgr Daly was born on Oct 1, 1917 in Loughguile, County Antrim. He studied at Queen's University, Belfast and at the Institut Catholique in Paris.

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#90310d5330 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ZURICH (NOV. 6) - The leading Swiss life insurance company Rentenanstalt has bought 100 percent of the Liverpudlian Pioneer Mutual Insurance Company, the Swiss firm announced here on Tuesday.

The Swiss company has annual premium income of 10 billion Swiss francs (7.9 billion dollars). Pioneer has 37 offices and 450 employees, and annual premium income of about 23 million pounds (about 45 million dollars).

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#90310d5340 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI, PAKISTAN (NOV. 6) - The Pakistan special court hearing the case against Asif Ali Zardari, the husband for former premier Benazir Bhutto, has turned down his bail application.

Mr. Zardari's lawyer pleaded that his client was innocent and falsely implicated in the case. But the prosecution maintained that sufficient evidence was available to prove Mr. Zardari's involvement in a kidnapping and extortion case, and the court rejected the bail application.

Mr. Zardari was arrested on October 10 and is being held for his alleged involvement in the abduction and extortion from a London-based Pakistani businessman, Murtaza Bukhari.

Mr. Zardari, who was elected to parliament from a slum area of this port city, was flown Sunday to Islamabad under strict security to take his oath as member of the National Assembly.

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#90310d5350 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (NOV. 6) - A total of 10.81 million persons were living in the Chinese capital of Beijing when a census was taken in China on July 1 this year, the official Xinhua news agency said Tueday.

The figure represented an increase of 17.2 percent or 1.58 million over the previous census conducted in 1982, Xinhua said. China's overall population is 1.133 billion.

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#90310d5360 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 6) - Some 200,000 miners at South Africa's gold mines could be out of jobs if the gold price does not rise above its present level of 380 dollars per ounce, state-run radio reported here Tuesday.

In the past three years, 72,000 miners had lost their jobs and prominent gold analysts told radio news the announcement of planned rationalisation at Harmony gold mine in the Orange Free State province could mean more lost jobs.

Harmony mine owners Rand Mines decided to cut production at the mine by 30 percent.

Some 4,000 miners at the mine, with a workforce of 27,000, had already lost their jobs.

Mining giant Anglo American Corporation also envisaged rationalisation at the Saaiplaats mine in the Orange Free State, the radio said.

The average gold price for the quarter ended September 30 was 996 rands (393 dollars) an ounce and 22 mines operated at a loss.

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#90310d5380 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SANTIAGO (NOV. 6) - A military intelligence officer and secret police agent under the former military government of General Augusto Pinochet was shot to death inside a car here late Monday, police reported Tuesday.

Press reports linked the murder of Army Major Manuel Antonio Flores Gallano and the recent killing of another army sergeant and security officer for Gen. Pinochet to the disclosure of a clandestine money-lending and drug-trafficking ring inside the military.

Maj. Flores, 37, was killed by three shots as he was sitting inside a parked car with an unidentified woman near a road leading to the airport.

Police said the assailants first shattered the car's windshield with a brick before opening fire on their target. There were no suspects in the killing.

Maj. Flores became a member of the current military intelligence after the former secret police was disbanded in March, following Gen. Pinochet's transfer of power to elected President Patricio Aylwin.

Press reports have linked a number of attacks on the military -- including a brief kidnapping last week of a former senior member of the secret police -- to a drug smuggling ring reportedly run by an army major.

Authorities investigating the clandestine ring have dismissed 16 officers and disciplined hundreds of others, leading to a major restructuring of the highest military echelons.

Gen Pinochet has stayed on as head of the army despite repeated calls by Mr. Aylwin that he retire.

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#90310d5390 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 6) - A Soviet zoo is sending two female gorillas to the zoo in Johannesburg with the blessing of the African National Congress, the anti-apartheid organization has announced.

ANC cultural department official Angela Brown on Monday denied press reports that the movement opposed the visit of the gorillas Liza and Meta because of its boycott campaign.

The boycott covered cultural, sporting and trading matters, but had nothing to do with the reproduction of species, she said.

A gorilla named Max has been languishing here since his mate died two years ago. The Johannesburg city council has set aside 14,000 dollars to pay for the visit of his intended ladyfriends.

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#90310d5400 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 6) - Rwandan rebels murdered civilians and raped women and young girls when they stormed Gatuna, on the Ugandan border, sending terrified villagers fleeing for their lives, Rwandan radio said Tuesday.

In a Swahili broadcast monitored here, the national radio said rebels of the Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) had forced young men to join them at gunpoint.

The broadcast, which did not mention that the RPF had captured Gatuna, a strategic border post, said rebel fighters had set fire to grass-thatched

homes. It accused the rebels of killing and maiming villagers, and stealing their livestock.

"Women have been raped, girls -- some under 15 -- have been defiled, innocent people killed, domestic animals stolen and property looted," the radio said.

The rebels captured Gatuna on Saturday, but abandoned it on Sunday night, leaving two smouldering trucks in their wake. Government troops had not moved in by Monday evening, apparently fearing a trap.

Meanwhile Rwandan refugees who have fled to Uganda to escape the fighting say a devastating famine is sweeping northern Rwanda, according to relief workers looking after the nearly 14,000 refugees in Uganda.

The aid workers, interviewed in the Ugandan town of Mbarara, near the Rwandan border, were unable to give details of the places affected by the famine. But they said many refugees had said there was no food left in their villages.

The south of tiny, overpopulated Rwanda has suffered chronic famine in recent years sparked by overcrowding and soil erosion.

Until the rebel invasion, led by Rwandan exiles based in Uganda, Rwanda was heavily dependent on food imports which came via Uganda.

But the border has been closed to trucks since the RPF, led by Rwandan exiles based in Uganda, invaded Rwanda on October 1. Most of the rebel fighters are Ugandan army deserters of Rwandan origin.

The refugees who have poured into Uganda are currently clustered at Kinzinga, Kamwezi and Kitwe, many of them within sight of the border, sheltering in tents provided by relief organisations.

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#90310d5520 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MAPUTO (NOV. 6) - The profile of Lenin on the wall of the office of the Josina Machel secondary school in Patrice Lumumba Avenue in central Maputo is scarcely visible now, almost hidden by a coat of paint and disfigured by obscene graffiti.

The people's assembly of Mozambique did much the same job last weekend when it approved a new constitution after six weeks of debate. When it becomes law on November 30, the ruling Frelimo group will no longer have the privilege to govern as the only legal party.

All mention of Marxism-Leninism that abounded in its independence constitution has been excised and replaced with language more akin to liberal democracy.

Moreover it goes far further than have most other African nations who are following in the footsteps of democratised eastern Europe.

Among reforms, the 200-article constitution outlaws the death penalty, presumes the innocence of charged persons, upholds press freedom and gives those arrested the immediate right to a lawyer.

Western human rights agencies have never regarded the Frelimo party as wilfully repressive, rather that the severe lack of infrastructure, skilled manpower and basic resources in the wartorn former Portuguese colony made it impossible for rights to be respected.

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#90310d5530 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHARTOUM (NOV. 6) - Sudan will be self-sufficient in oil supplies in three years, General Salah eddin Karrar, head of the ruling junta's economic commission, announced here Tuesday.

Gen. Karrar also contended that the Chevron oil company had stopped its prospection and production operations in south Sudan some seven years ago for "political reasons" and not on the stated security grounds.

The U.S. company ceased working in south Sudan shortly after the Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA) started attacking regular troops in the region in 1983.

Gen. Karrar said that Chevron had abandoned its concession at the Muglad oil field in southwest Sudan, while Sunoil, another American company, had given up its own concession in central Sudan.

Both were now government property, he said.

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#90310d5650 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MASERU (NOV. 6) - King Moshoeshoe II of Lesotho was stripped of his office Tuesday by Major-General Metsing Lekhanya, head of the ruling military council an official statement here said.

King Moshoeshoe has been "on sabbatical" in London since March following his refusal in February to ratify the sacking of four senior officials.

He looked set to return to Lesotho after Gen. Lekhanya met him in London for talks last month on his way back from a visit to the United States.

But the row flared again, culminating in Gen. Lekhanya's statement Tuesday in the toothless National Assembly that a successor was being sought.

King Moshoeshoe would become a private citizen of Lesotho, Foreign Minister John Thabane told the independent radio station 702 in Johannesburg.

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#90310d5680 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 6) - Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis on Tuesday called for the withdrawal of Soviet troops from the Baltic republic, 24 hours before a military parade on the anniversary of the Bolshevik revolution, the Baltic news service reported here.

Mr. Landsbergis, who has spearheaded the republic's struggle for independence from the Soviet Union, noted in a speech on local radio that more than 1.5 million Lithuanians last summer signed a petition calling for the withdrawal of Soviet forces.

"The Soviet Army must leave Lithuania as it is leaving Hungary and Czechoslovakia, he said.

"If the Soviet Army acted in a more polite manner and tried to agree with us on its temporary presence in Lithuania, we would not remind it of the attitude of Lithuanians towards it," he added.

Local authorities in all three Baltic republics have objected to the military parades, ordered by President Mikhail Gorbachev to mark the 73th anniversary of the revolution.

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#90310d5790 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (NOV. 6) - A Senate committee Tuesday summoned Foreign Minister Francisco Rezek to answer allegations that the government had struck a secret deal with Iraq to secure the release of 256 Brazilian hostages early last month.

According to the O Globo daily, President Fernando Collor de Mello's administration guaranteed Baghdad that any contract it signed with Brazilian companies would be honored once the Gulf crisis was over and the U.N.-mandated trade embargo with Iraq was lifted.

The newspaper said the government promised to pay Iraq any fine incurred by Brazilian private companies if they reneged on these obligations.

The secret agreements, according the the report, were signed by Marcos Coimbra secretary general of the presidency.

A spokesman for the government Tuesday denied there had been secret dealings

behind the release of the Brazilian hostages.

Humberto Lucena, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said the seriousness of the charges warranted a hearing with Mr. Rezek.

Mr. Rezek recently denied any secret dealings with Baghdad, adding that it had merely "witnessed" the contracts signed by Brazilian firms and Iraq.

Brazil, he said, would do all it could to ensure the completion of the contracts once the Gulf crisis is over, "but there was no financial compromise."

O Globo said Mendes Junior construction company -- one of the Brazilian firms operating in Iraq-- was building a railway line between Baghdad and Basrah, which the Brazilian Government reportedly promised to complete or pay a 700 million dollar fine.

-30- 1801

#90310d5870 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (NOV 6) - The Swedish Skanska construction and property company said on Tuesday that it had increased its stake in the Canadian Banister Inc. company from 15 percent to 23 percent, having bought 466,000 shares for 4.6 million Canadian dollars.

Skanska is now the biggest shareholder alongside the Canadian Trimac company, the company said.

Banister, a leading Canadian public works company, had sales in 1989 of 643 million Canadian dollars. In 1989 Skanska had sales of 29.8 billion Swedish krone (4.8 billion U.S. dollars) and made a pre-tax profit of two billion krone (325 million U.S. dollars).

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#90310d5890 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 6) - The U.S. customs services turned over a two-million dollar check to their French counterparts here Tuesday, part of the haul from a joint crackdown on cocaine trade, carried out also with help from British authorities.

Budget Minister Michel Charasse, who received the check from U.S. deputy treasury secretary John Robson, said authorities involved in the operation dubbed "cocaine chase" seized almost 32 million dollars in funds laundered through the French bank Banque de Credit et de Commerce International (BCCI).

He said the two million would be used to strengthen anti-laundering operations.

The investigation saw BCCI officials arrested in October 1988, and led to simultaneous arrests in Tampa, Florida, London and Paris. A Colombian drug trafficking network was smashed after being infiltrated by U.S. drug-enforcement agents.

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#90310d6030 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (NOV 6) - Sweden has decided to give Egypt 10 million dollars, the Swedish embassy here said on Tuesday.

The money will be allocated via the World Bank to a social fund being prepared in co-operation with Egypt, the World Bank and the United Nations development programme.

"This gift is an expression of the Swedish government's support for Egypt which is among the countries which have suffered economically because of the Gulf crisis," the embassy said.

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#90310d6130 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 6) - Immigration in France rose sharply in 1989, while the number of refugees seeking political asylum jumped by 79.2 percent over the previous year, the French Social Affairs Ministry announced Tuesday.

The statistics compiled by the ministry's Population Department showed increases of 22.7 percent for permanent workers, and 61 percent for temporary workers.

Seasonal immigration was the only sector to record a dip of 12 percent.

Most of the asylum requests, or 38 percent out of a total 61,000, were from Africa, with only five percent from eastern Europe. Requests from countries such as India and Pakistan were up 100 percent over 1988.

But the rejection rate of asylum requests also rose, from 65.6 percent in 1988 to 71.9 percent last year, and 86 percent in the first quarter of this year.

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#90310d6140 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (NOV. 6) - A swedish fighter plane and a passenger plane were involved in a near miss Tuesday, air officials said.

A j35 ''Draken'' class fighter passed only 200 metres from a Fokker F28 of the Swedish domestic airline Linjeflyg over southern Sweden, the Swedish Air Force information service said.

A commission has been set up to investigate the incident which happened as the fighter was taking part in a training attack against a target plane over Almhult.

For reasons unknown the fighter passed behind the civilian aircraft, at one time no more than 200 metres from its tail.

The fighter pilot noticed the civilian plane and quickly changed course, the officials said.

-30- 887

#90310d6150 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANTA MONICA, CA (NOV 6) - A legal tangle over the testimony of Marlon Brando's daughter, Cheyenne, who is recovering from a drug overdose in Tahiti, has forced the indefinite postponement of the murder trial of Mr. Brando's son court officials said.

Christian Brando, 32, was scheduled to go on trial Monday for first-degree murder of his sister's lover, Dag Drollet, at the Brando estate in California March 16.

Miss Brando, 20, fled to Tahiti a month after the killing, which she witnessed and gave birth to Mr. Drollet's child. She has refused to return to California to testify and Tahitian authorities have barred her from leaving the island, charging her as an accomplice in Mr. Drollet's murder.

Prosecutors say her testimony is essential to winning the case.

A three-member California appeals court Monday ordered the indefinite postponement of the Brando murder trial to review the status of Miss Brando. Legal briefs on the matter are to be submitted by Mr. Brando's attorney November 13. Responding briefs are required from the prosecution November 19.

In Tahiti, Mr. Drollet's father, Jacques Denis, said a new trial date would be announced November 19 in Los Angeles and he said Miss Brando would be subpoened to testify.

Miss Brando is recovering from a drug overdose which plunged her into a coma last Thursday. She later regained consciousness but still requires mechanical breathing assistance in the intensive care unit of a Papeete hospital, the family's spokesman in Tahiti said.

Miss Brando has given conflicting accounts of what happened the night of the shooting. Christian Brando has said he accidentally killed Mr. Drollet in a scuffle over a gun.

Prosecutors say he decided to kill Mr. Drollet because he had been physically abusing his sister.

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#90310d6160 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV 6) - Texaco of the United States signed an oil exploration agreement with Pakistan here Tuesday, officials said.

The three-year contract with the Pakistani Oil and Gas development Corporation (OGDC) covers an area of 2,400 square kilometres (960 square miles) in Dadu, Nawabshah and Hyderabad districts of Sindh province.

The company will carry out a seismic survey and drill one exploratory well, spending at least 4.5 million dollars on the work, the officials said.

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#90310d6180 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH (NOV. 6) - The West European project to build a 64-megabit chip is making technological progress, but is being hampered by gaps in financing, a top official said here Tuesday.

Raimondo Paletto, chairman of the Joint European Submicron Silicon (Jessi) program, said that the situation had worsened with the withdrawal of the Dutch electronics giant Philips from the project.

Paletto, speaking at the ''electronica 90'' international electronics components fair here, said that the Philips pullout meant that part of the Jessi program was blocked.

The Jessi project, aimed at breaking the Japanese dominance in the field of high-performance computer chips, will cost more than five billion dollars by the mid-1990s. Germany, Britain, France, Italy, the Netherlands and the European Community are sharing the costs.

Paletto said that despite the financial problems, he was confident the Jessi group would be able to start production of the 64-megabit chip - one which can store 64 million bits of information - by the start of 1995.

-30- 1255

#90310d6330 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (NOV. 6) - Sierra Leone's Armed Forces Chief Major General Mohamed Tarawalli said Tuesday that a recent threat by Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor against his country was "extremely delicate and provocative."

Mr. Taylor, leader of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL),

threatened last week in a radio interview to "destroy" Sierra Leone's only international airport "if it continues to allow Nigerian and Ghanaian war planes to take off on bombing raids into Liberia."

Nigeria and Ghana, along with Guinea, Sierra Leone and the Gambia, have contributed troops to a 7,000-strong expeditionary force (ECOMOG) sent into Liberia in August by the Economic Community of West African States to impose a ceasefire in the country's bloody 10-month civil war.

Four Ghanaian airforce jets and three Nigerian fighters are currently stationed in Freetown from where thet are flying sorties to bombard rebel-held areas in Liberia, informed sources said.

Gen. Tarawalli told Agence France-Presse Tuesday that Mr. Taylor's statement "has not been taken lightly by us" but that "we are not frightened."

The government-owned Daily Mail newspaper said Tuesday that "Sierra Leone's benevolence and good Samaritan stance throughout the fratricidal fighting that has torn Liberia apart is not appreciated by some of the people we are trying to help."

The independent New Citizen said the threat "sent shock waves through the spirits of the hitherto uninvolved Sierra Leoneans.

"We have lost revenue at the ports, Sierra Leoneans are being kicked out of apartments to make way for prosperous Liberians with raw American dollars while accomodation of a numberless displaced people with not a cent in their pockets has resulted in a high incidence of crime."

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#90310d6390 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (NOV 6) - Eleanor Thomson, a retired U.S. journalist who formerly worked for Agence France-Presse, has been found strangled at her home in Selimiye, near the Mediterranean resort of Antalya, court officials said here Tuesday.

Ms. Thomson, 75, was probably killed Sunday night, according to the prosecutor in Manavgat, near Selimiye.

A native of California, she had been an AFP correspondent in Asia and headed AFP's English Service in the 1960s.

Prosecutor Selamettin Celep said Ms. Thomson was last seen late Sunday after returning from a local restaurant. Friends found her body and notified the police late Monday.

An investigation had been opened, the prosecutor said, without giving details.

Ms. Thomson had no relatives in Turkey but had frequent visitors in the holidays, he added. She had lived in Turkey since 1966.

-30- 1031

#90310d6420 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV. 6) - Berlin investigators said Tuesday they had uncovered a fourth case of massive fraud, this time worth 51 million Deutsche marks (34 million dollars), arising from the July 1 German monetary union.

Police are already probing swindles that are believed to have netted 500 million marks (333 million dollars), 30 million marks (20 million dollars) and eight million marks (5.3 million dollars).

The spokeswoman for the Berlin ministry of justice, Jutta Burghart, said Tuesday that the latest case apparently involved only one person. She declined to give further details.

The affair was uncovered by a special unit of 30 customs investigators that was set up Monday, after two more cases came to light.

Under German monetary union, businesses could trade holdings in Ostmarks, the soft, non-convertible East German currency, for Deutsche marks.

Exporters who traded with East Germany's partners in Comecon could also swap their holdings of "convertible rubles," Comecon's unit of account, for Deutsche marks, provided that the rubles accrued from contracts signed before July 1.

The fraudsters, according to police, have been using fake or antedated contracts to claim the exchange.

The customs squad is tasked with vetting all applications for convertible-ruble swaps that were filed with the German External Trade Bank, the former East German state bank, after July 1.

The bank has been receiving 30,000 applications per month.

-30- 1675

#90310d6430 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 6) - France will defend its car industry, particularly against the Japanese, because it is a "strategic" sector for France, French Industry Minister Roger Fauroux told the national assembly (parliament) on Tuesday.

Noting that the sale of cars in France had fallen by seven per cent in October he said that "France does not want to suffer the same treatment as that inflicted by Japanese manufacturers on U.S. manufacturers".

He said: "However, it is not a question of building a fortress of sand...but France cannot accept the figures for targeted penetration advanced during negotiations between the European Economic Community (EEC) and Japan."

He said that France would soon set up a group for "industrial strategy on cars" for the national plan.

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#90310d6440 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) - U.S. voters went to the polls Tuesday in mid-term elections widely expected to see the opposition Democrats further strengthen their hold on Congress and state governments.

The ailing economy and the possibility of war in the Gulf, however, have added an element of unpredictability to these elections which will define the political playing field for the latter half of President George Bush's mandate.

Voter have also been unsettled by last month's bitter debate between the Democratic-controlled Congress and the Bush White House over government spending cuts and higher taxes for the wealthy as part of a budget deficit reduction agreement reached 10 days ago.

All these uncertainties, according to observers, could reduce voter turnout -- traditionally low in mid-term elections -- or severly hamper the incumbents' chances, normally more than 80 per cent in favor of reelection.

Acknowledging that lower turnout would put them at a disadvantage, Republican candidates have stressed voter participation in their campaigns.

As voting booths opened all around the country, observers were forecasting further erosion of Republican minority representation in both houses of Congress and in state governments, basically due to the unhealthy state of the economy after 10 years of Republican administrations.

At stake are 34 Senate seats, the entire 435-seat House of Representatives, 36 of the country's 50 governorships, and more than 6,000 state legislators, as well as thousands of lower public offices.

In the outgoing legislature, the Democrats hold a 55 to 45 majority in the Senate; 259 to 176 in the lower house and control 29 of 50 state governorships.

Normally low profile state legislative races have drawn national attention this year as party officials battle for control of the once-a-decade redrawing of congressional districts to take into account population shifts recorded in a nationwide census earlier this year.

-30- 2202
#90310d6460 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 6) - Germany's elder statesman, Willy Brandt, opened talks here Tuesday with the Baghdad leadership on the release of Western hostages and possible political solutions to the Gulf crisis, spawned by the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Brandt, 76, a former West German chancellor and now honorary chairman of the opposition Social Democrat Party (Spd), met with Iraqi Vice Premier Taha Yassin Ramadan. Later in the day he was slated to meet Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

Brandt also had a surprise meeting with Palestine Liberation Oranisation (Plo) leader Yassir Arafat, who is also in Baghdad.

He told Ramadhan that it was also in the interest of Europe, especially Germany, to prevent the outbreak of a war in the region. ''We don't want a war ...,'' Brandt told him. ''If we can help to further the peace process this is something in our own interest.''

Brandt, whose mission is not officially backed by Bonn or the United Nations, said if he talked about peace he meant the entire region. Ramadan praised the Nobel peace laureate as a politician who was ''always on the side of law''.

-30- 1322
#90310d6520 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AGANA, GUAM (NOV. 6) - The Republican governor of Guam, Joseph Ada, Tuesday became the first gubernatorial incumbent to win consecutive four-year terms in this U.S. Pacific territory.

He defeated democratic challenger Madeleine Bordallo, the first woman to run for governor on this island of less than 14,000 people.

"I just want to extend my gratitude to our supporters," Mr. Ada said at a victory party at his headquarters.

With 61 of 76 precincts reporting, Mr. Ada and his running mate, Lieutenant Governor Frank Blas, had 16,088 votes to 11,891 votes for Mrs. Bordallo and her running mate Jose 'Ping' Duenas.

"We were just not able to convince enough people," said Mrs. Bordallo, the wife of former Guam governor Ricardo Bordallo, who committed suicide last January, one day before he was to begin an 18-month federal prison term in California. He was not in office at the time.

Mr. Ada said he wanted to reassess the administration's management practices

and would ask for courtesy resignations from his cabinet.

-30- 1240

#90310d6630 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (NOV. 6) - Two Australians were authorized to leave Iraq Tuesday by President Saddam Hussein along with 106 Japanese and foreign nationals, the Iraqi News Agency reported in a dispatch received here.

Mr. Hussein earlier in the day approved the departure of 77 Japanese nationals along with others from Italy, Sweden, Germany and Portugal.

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#90310d6680 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (NOV 6) - Economic sanctions against Iraq are not working and the patience of U.S. President George Bush and the world community is wearing increasingly thin, Kuwait's Ambassador to the United Nations Mohammad Abu al-Hassan said on Tuesday.

But Mr. Al-Hassan stopped short of calling for an immediate attempt by the U.S.-led multinational force in Saudi Arabia to drive Iraqi troops from the emirate.

He told a press conference here there was no "timetable" for a possible invasion, but added: "I am pretty confident that not only President Bush's patience is getting thin, but all the members of the Security Council and interntional community are coming to be more impatient."

He said the U.N. had "exhausted maybe 99 per cent" of the peaceful options to force Iraq from Kuwait.

"My leadership wants to bring justice (to Kuwait) sooner rather than later. If justice does not come except with force then yes, my leadership does want force to be used sooner than later," he said.

"Once all the other options are used and have not been useful, than the military option might be a necessity," he warned.

Asked if war was inevitable, he said: "It depends on Iraq. If Iraq continues their defiance, it is."

"For the time being, sanctions, though very comprehensive and unprecedented in nature and scope, are not working," he said. "Not because there is some great violation but because the Iraqi regime does not care for the plight of their own people."

-30- 1714
#90310d6760 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNEBURG (NOV. 6) - Libanon gold mine in the western Transvaal came to a standstill Tuesday when 6,000 workers downed tools over the mysterious disappearance of a fellow miner, the South African news agency SAPA said.

Miners, who claim mine security, policy and army personel have been forcing them underground at gunpoint, suspect the missing man was murdered underground the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM) said.

-30- 613
#90310d6780 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ACCRA (NOV 6) - Canada has cancelled 77.6 million Canadian dollars debt owed it by Ghana, a statement from the Canadian High Commission here said Tuesday.

It said Canadian High Commissioner C.D. Forgerty has written to Ghana's finance and economic planning secretary, Kwesi Botchwey, to say all formalities to forgive the debt have been finalized.

Canada is a chief donor to Ghana's economic recovery programme, with loans and grants going to oil exploration, agriculture, health and rural development.

-30- 677
#90310d6820 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (NOV. 6) - The American afiliate of Swedish Volvo admitted in ads published in several U.S. newspapers Tuesday that it had aired a bogus commercial demonstrating the strength of its cars.

The televised advertisement had showed an oversized pickup crushing a row of cars with the Volvo car the only one remaining intact.

The public admission Tuesday, which appeared in the form of an open letter from Volvo, acknowledged the Volvo car had been reinforced. It follows a settlement announced Monday between Volvo North America Corp. and the Attorney General of Texas, Jim Mattox.

"The car-crushing competition was a hoax and a sham," he charged in court papers. Extras in the commercial - filmed in Texas - became suspicious of the ad and tipped Mr. Mattox.

He said the commercial should have been labeled as a "dramatization," adding that the structure of the other cars in the commercial had been weakened.

The open letters, which Volvo agreed to publish, appear in about 15 newspapers in Texas, as well as in USA Today and The Wall Street Journal.

-30- 1265
#90310d6900 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV 6) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

	cash		forward	
Copper	1,322.00	(1,319.00)	1,317.00	(1,315.50)
Lead	365.50	(371.00)	371.25	(374.50)
Zinc Sh	1,262.50	(1,286.00)	1,266.50	(1,286.50)
Tin	6,230.00	(6,195.00)	6,212.50	(6,190.00)
Aluminium	1,603.50	(1,747.50)	1,619.50	(1,659.00)
Nickel	8,900.00	(8,787.50)	8,462.50	(8,368.50)

(the last three in dollars per ton)

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#90310d7350 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 6) - Lebanese President Elias Hrawi in an interview made available here Tuesday said he wants to disband all the country's militias and Palestinian groups by March 21, 1991.

Hrawi told the French Le Monde newspaper Syria had already reduced its troop presence in Beirut and would pull its forces out of the Bekaa valley by September 21, 1992.

All leaders of the six disbanded militias would become members of the government, Hrawi added. The Lebanese army had already integrated the 12,000 men loyal to Christian leader General Michel Aoun, and would in future have mixed units in all regions.

Within the next two weeks the Lebanese government will restore its authority in Beirut and the areas surrounding it. However, problems would occur with the pro-Iranian Hezbollah (Party of God) militias in southern Beirut and with Palestinians in the south of the country, he predicted.

Hrawi made clear that he would not allow Aoun to leave the country for France. Aoun has been holed up in the French embassy in Beirut since his forces were crushed by Syrian troops last month.

Instead Aoun would be brought to justice in Lebanon on charges of inciting war and rebellion and misappropriation of public funds.

Hezbollah and the rival pro-Syrian Amal signed a pact in Damascus Monday pledging to cease fighting each other as of November 10.

-30- 1561
#90310d7480 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LISBON (NOV. 6) - Angolan troops have killed 34 guerrillas of the National Union for Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) in three provinces, according to an official communique reported by the Angolan ANGOP agency monitored here Tuesday.

Four government soldiers were killed in the recent operations, the communique said.

A rebel attack last week on a re-supply column near Xandel, in the northern province of Lunda-Norte, left six dead and 16 wounded, ANGOP reported without saying whether these were all guerrillas or included government dead.

Seven civilians were killed when UNITA forces attacked the town of Catabola, in the central province of Bie, ANGOP said.

In another attack in the center of the country, rebels killed four 4 civilian and wounded 14 on the road between Benguela and Huambo, the communique said.

-30- 996
#90310d7600 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (NOV. 6) - Thai Commander-in-Chief Suchinda Kraprayoon Tuesday warned Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan of fading military support, as a row over a seized broadcast unit escalated into a national dispute.

Gen. Suchinda told reporters over army-run television Tuesday that the army was "ready to support (Supreme Commander Sunthorn Kongsompong) in any issue" that concerns "internal security and integrity of the armed forces."

Observers here said the statement was a threat to the government, which depends upon support from the military for its survival.

It follows a news conference Sunday by a minister attached to the prime minister's office, Chalerm Yoobamroong, in which Mr. Chalerm challenged Gen. Sunthorn to bring to police a mobile broadcast unit seized by the military if he believed it threatened national security.

Gen. Suchinda said Tuesday that "if the premier does not solve the problem, he will lose trust and faith from (the) military."

"I will talk to the prime minister on the matter again. We military do not look favorably at those who insulted our commander," he said.

"We told him many times about our opinion, and he promised to solve the problem but he has not done it so far," Gen. Suchinda said.

The military seized the 12 million baht (480,000 dollar) mobile broadcast station in June, charging it had an eavesdropping device to monitor military movement.

The charge prompted rumors the unit was used to monitor possible coup plots.

But Rachan Hussein, director of the Mass Communication Organization of Thailand and a close political aide to Mr. Chalerm, said the station was sent out to test FM radio signals following residents' complaints of bad reception on that band.

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#90310d7640 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 6) - A total of 1,680 Soviet nationals were evacuated from Iraq last month, Soviet Deputy Premier Igor Beloussov said Tuesday.

Beloussov told Soviet television viewers that 1,000 more of the 3,500 remaining Soviet citizens will return this month.

The evacuation of Soviet nationals was going ahead in line with the timetable agreed with Iraq, he said.

A rising number of Soviet specialists wanted to go home because of a lack of equipment caused by the trade embargo against Iraq.

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#90310d7690 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAKAR (NOV 6) - The World Bank will come to the aid of poor countries if oil prices remain high for another month, world bank president Barber Conable said here Tuesday.

Mr. Conable said the bank would aid poor states and even countries with medium-level revenues to ''reduce the financial gap'' created by high oil prices due to the crisis caused by Iraq's occupation of Kuwait.

This initiative would take place before the end of the year, Mr. Conable told reporters after a four-day visit to Senegal.

Mr. Conable met here Tuesday with President Abdou Diouf.

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#90310d7720 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 6) - European Economic Community (EEC) farm and trade ministers reached an accord on farm subsidy cuts after two days of hard

negotiations here, the European Commission said Tuesday.

A commission spokesman said the decision, reached after the failure of five previous meetings, meant that the Uruguay Round of negotiations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) was now back on track.

A GATT conference in early December, to wind up four years of negotiations for lower trade barriers, had been endangered by the EEC's failure in five previous meetings recently to reach accord on the subsidy cuts.

The commission, the executive arm of the EEC, said all 12 community members had agreed on a 30 percent cut on farm subsidies, along with compromise measures to soften the impact on farmers.

British Farm Minister John Gummer said after the meeting that the accord was a "major success" but was little different from earlier proposals. The fact that the decision was so long in coming was a "major loss", he said. The decision had been held up, most recently by France and previously by Germany.

Ray MacSharry, the EEC's commissioner for agriculture, challenged other countries and trading blocs to match the EEC's offer. The EEC decision came three weeks after a mid-October deadline for trading nations and blocs to propose subsidy cuts for the GATT conference.

Asked whether the offer was too little and too late, MacSharry stressed that it had been approved unanimously by the 12 EEC countries and the commission "in the public view of the whole world".

By contrast, he said, the U.S. proposals on farm subsidies, although apparently much tougher, did not have the unanimous support of the U.S. Administration or Congress.

Earlier, commission sources had said that commission vice-president Frans Andriessen and MacSharry had opposed the softer compromise proposals, on the grounds that they would be difficult to defend at the GATT talks. But the two men subsequently went along with the decision. The most important compromise involved protecting local farm products against cheaper foreign imports when subsidies were lowered.

An Irish spokesman said this was a "damage limitation exercise" supported by France, Ireland and Germany. In recent weeks, France has led the objections to the EEC proposals.

Other concessions included more effective setting aside of farm land for non-food production, as requested by Germany, and attention to "less favored" areas affected by the subsidy cuts, notably the EEC's Mediterranean members. And the EEC also agreed that where domestic production quotas were set for products such as milk, import restrictions would be allowed to bolster them.

The EEC is the last major economic bloc to produce farm subsidy proposals, which are considered essential for the successful conclusion of the four-year Uruguay Round of trade negotiations at the GATT conference in December.

The EEC's proposal involves a global 30 percent cut in subsidies to farmers, backdated over a ten-year spread from 1986. This is far below the reductions demanded by the United States and other major food producers, which include 75 percent cutbacks in domestic farm supports and a 90 percent cut in export subsidies.

The U.S. proposal calls for these cuts to be made over ten years from 1991. Over the same time period, the EEC offer amounts to a subsidy cut of only 15 percent, since half of its 30 percent cuts have already been made.

Lower farm subsidies in developed countries are considered essential to win the approval of other nations for lower trade barriers in other areas at the GATT talks, and to prevent trade wars as the world slides towards recession.

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#90310d7770 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (NOV 6) - Peru Tuesday announced it was reducing import tariffs and sales taxes in a bid to stimulate trade and production while creating a freer and more competitive market.

The Economy Ministry said a 10 percent surcharge on imports had been removed, tariffs on imports would be reduced gradually over a three-year period, and sales taxes on a series of products would be slashed immediately.

President Alberto Fujimori said Sunday he was satisfied with the the economic stability program he had introduced since he came to power in late July, saying the set of laws about to be introduced were aimed at protecting the free market from negative monopolistic tendencies.

According to a new timetable set out by the Economy Ministry, the current 50 percent import tariffs would be cut in half by July 1993 and 25 percent import duties would be reduced to 20 percent over the same period, although 15 percent duties would remain unchanged.

Sales taxes will come down to 10 percent for imported medium and compact automobiles, motorcycles, radios, photographic equipment, small televisions, firearms, alcoholic drinks -- including wine -- and mineral water.

A reduced 30 percent sales tax will apply for sugar-cane and fruit-based alcoholic beverages, home appliances, toiletries, china, carpets, video equipment and some luxury articles.

Furs, leather goods, expensive liqueurs, jewelry and caviar will be taxed at a lower rate of 50 percent, the official statement said.

Sales tax on air fares, currently at 31 percent, will be slashed to 10 per cent. There will be similar cut in the sales tax on other services such as insurance, telecommincations and accommodation.

The new law also creates a National Committee for the Defense of Free Competition, which will curb monopolistic tendencies in the Peruvian economy.

Another law allows banks and mining concerns to issue silver certificates on the stock market to stimulate savings and investments.

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#90310d7810 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (NOV. 6) - The Thai Military Bank (TMB) has opened a representative office in Ho Chi Minh City, the official Vietnam News Agency (VNA) said Tuesday.

Representatives of both the Thai and Vietnamese defense ministries attended the opening on Monday, the agency said. TMB, one of Thailand's major banks, is the seventh foreign bank to open an office in the southern Vietnamese city.

Five French banks - Banque Indosuez, BNP, Credit Lyonnais, Societe Generale, and Banque Francaise du Commerce exterieur - and Britain's Standard Chartered Bank also have offices in Ho Chi Minh City.

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#90310d7840 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (NOV. 6) - Textile exports by public and private companies in Vietnam are rising steadily, including to capitalist countries, foreign experts here say.

The private SMX textile firm in Ho Chi Minh City recently signed a contract to provide 300,000 shirts to a Taiwan company, the official Vietnam News Agency (VNA) said Tuesday. SMX also took 1991 orders from four Taiwan and Malaysian companies for one million shirts, the agency said.

The company, formed in 1988, last year exported textiles worth 1.5 billion dong (234,000 dollars) to the Soviet Union, Taiwan, Poland and Australia, VNA reported.

One Western expert said: "Vietnamese products will become increasingly competitive with other Asian textiles on world markets in the coming years." "Their quality is improving due to the modernization - slight but real - of machinery, and they are competitive because Vietnamese salaries are low," he

added.

The weekly Vietnam-Hebdo wrote recently that the Vietnamese textile industry was trying to redirect exports toward the West, particularly Europe and North America. "Between 1987 and 1990, the Soviet Union imported 153 million units while other Eastern European countries absorbed 20 million units annually," it said.

Aside from the private sector, expanding rapidly as a result of reformist economic policies begun in 1986, the strong and modernizing state sector comprises 40 major businesses, Vietnam-hebdo added.

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#90310d8190 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OAKLAND, CA (NOV. 6) - A burglar broke into a researcher's car and carried off a cooler containing nine vials of AIDS-tainted blood, police said Tuesday.

They said the thief or thieves "should be alarmed because what they have is potentially fatal," said Police Sargent Joe Sweeney, particularly if a vial shatters in someone's hand.

A number of items were taken from the car Sunday night, including the cooler containing the contaminated blood.

The researcher has been identified as a 40-year-old woman who works for the California Heterosexual Partner Study, part of University of California project studying the fatal disease, acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

The blood was in the woman's car because she does some of her research at home Sgt. Sweeney added.

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#90310d8540 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LOS ANGELES (NOV 6) - An elderly man taking a driving test plowed his car into the motor vehicle office, causing 40,000 dollars damage to the facility and sending people scurrying for safety.

"A 70-year-old man really flunked the driving test," police officer Dennis Smith said. "He ran right into the building."

Six minor injuries were reported, the driver not among them.

The office in suburban Canoga Park is to remain closed for repairs for several days.

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#90310d8710 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (NOV 7) - An Egyptian immigrant charged with killing ultra rightwing Rabbi Meir Kahane probably acted alone and not as part of a conspiracy, police said Tuesday.

Police meanwhile stepped up security for both Jewish and Arab organizations in New York City in case of revenge attacks. Thousands of people turned out in Brooklyn for the funeral of the U.S.-born extremist Kahane.

The alleged assassin El-Sayyid Nosair, 34, a naturalized U.S. citizen, was under armed guard at Bellevue Hospital, where he was recovering from a bullet wound to the jaw sustained as he tried to flee the scene of Monday night's killing. Police said he was heavily sedated and unable to answer questions.

''With the information that we have right now, we do not think it has anything to do with any groups or conspiracies,'' Police Commmissioner Lee Brown said of the shooting, which occurred at a Zionist conference Monday night in a Midtown Manhattan hotel.

Investigators said Nosair's frantic and disorganized attack indicated he was not a professional terrorist assassin.

Nosair, an air-conditioner repairman since 1988, came to the United States from Egypt in 1981 and became a U.S. citizen in 1989 after marrying an American Moslem woman he met in a mosque, police said.

Nosair was charged with an array of charges, including murder. He allegedly pulled a .357 Luger revolver and fired two shots at Kahane, 58, as the rabbi answered questions after giving a speech at the New York Marriott East Side Hotel.

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#90310d8760 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV 7) - Former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt was to meet Wednesday with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in a bid to win the release of foreign hostages being held in the Gulf, according to sources close to Brandt.

The meeting could decide the number and nationality of those foreigners for whose release Brandt is striving.

Parallel to that, Brandt planned to ask Saddam whether a ''process of serious negotiations for a securing of peace,'' as he put it, could get underway.

Brandt met Tuesday with Deputy Premier Taha Yassim Ramadan as well as Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. Brandt sources later said these talks had not produced any worsening of the existing situation.

The 76-year-old Social Democrat indicated during a meeting with about 100 Germans in the German Embassy in Baghdad that he wanted to take home a large number of Germans and their dependents when he leaves for Germany on Thursday.

But he said a release could entail two or three phases. It was announced in Baghdad Tuesday evening that Saddam had authorized the release of 77 Japanese citizens. This came in the wake of a mission by former Japanese Premier Yasohiro Nakasone.

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#90310d8800 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 6) - Washington Mayor Marion Barry lost his bid for a city council seat and Sharon Pratt Dixon beat Washington's former police chief Maurice Turner Tuesday in the mayor's race.

Mr. Barry has been sentenced to six months in prison and fined 5,000 dollars after being convicted on a cocaine possession charge. Early returns showed him running a distant third in his bid for an at-large council seat.

Former presidental hopeful Jesse Jackson won his first elected seat: an unpaid non-voting "shadow senator" whose main task is to lobby the U.S. Congress for statehood for the District of Columbia.

Ms. Dixon, a former vice president of a public utility, is a newcomer to electoral politics who has pledged to eliminate waste and corruption in the city.

Her opponent, Mr. Turner, switched from the Democratic to Republican Party and got the support of President George Bush.

Currently, residents of the capital city have no voting representatives in congress.

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#90310d8880 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV 7) - Seven people were believed killed when a landslide buried about 50 houses in a mountainous town east of the Philippine capital before dawn Wednesday, the office of civil defense said here.

Three other people were injured in the avalanche near Montalban, civil defense spokesmen said.

The cause of the landslide was not immediately known.

Radio station DZXL reported from the scene that earthmovers have uncovered

three corpses from the rubble.

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#90310d8910 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON, (NOV 6) - Democrat Mario Cuomo, a possible presidential contender in 1992, appeared headed for an easy victory in his bid for a third term as governor of New York State Tuesday, defeating an unknown and underfinanced Republican rival.

Early results showed him leading challenger Pierre Rinfret, two-to-one.

Although Mr. Cuomo is widely viewed as the best-plaed Democratic to challenge President George Bush in 1992, the governor recently said, when asked about his intentions: "I have no plans and no plans to have plans."

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#90310d9090 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUDAPEST (NOV 70 - In the shiny new offices of Manpower-Hungary, Csaba Halmos former Hungarian secretary of state for labor under the communist regime, is busy answering the phone.

He and his associates receive some 100 calls a day from Hungarians who, either unemployed, or faced with the prospect of losing their jobs within the next few weeks or months, are soon to discover the capitalist reality of temporary employment.

Since Manpower opened a branch here on October 31, the office has been assailed by job seekers.

According to government statistics, a third of all Hungarian firms will be forced to shut down within two years, and the number of jobless will leap from 50,000 to 200,000.

Most affected are the mining, steel, and textiles industries which must undergo major restructuring in order to meet the rigors of the free market.

Mr. Halmos explains: "It's not shameful to have unemployment. It only means we are moving towards a market economy."

Of all the leaders of the former communist government, Mr. Halmos has made the most rapid conversion. Within the space of a few months, after taking what he described a "brief vacation," he has transformed himself from communist bureaucrat to capitalist manager.

Other colleagues have made similar moves towards greener pastures. Former deputy premier Peter Medgyessy was last summer named director of

Paribas-Hungary, a branch of the prestigious French investment bank.

Peter Reiniger, former deputy minister of industry, is now part of the management of the Hungarian holding companies of the Olivetti and Benedetti groups.

Asked why he made the switch, Mr. Halmos said he welcomed the "challenge." Furthermore, he was able to bring to Manpower his "knowledge of the Hungarian labor world and a network of contacts."

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#90310d9210 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (NOV 7) - Developing countries Tuesday night held the European Economic Community (EEC), Japan and the United States collectively responsible for "major blockages" in world trade negotiations due to be concluded in barely four weeks.

They made their point as EEC ministers struck agreement in Brussels on a joint bargaining platform on agriculture, ending a month-long internal row that has blocked the tabling of an EEC proposal on cutbacks in farm aids.

African, Asian and Latin American countries warned that the highly industrialized countries must contribute their "full share" to prevent a collapse of the stalled Uruguay Round talks.

Trade officials said they indirectly pointed a finger at the United States for dragging its feet in talks on services, at Japan for its stance on agriculture and at the major traders as a group for failing to match "constructive" contributions from their less-developed partners.

The four-year old Round, to be concluded by a 105-nation ministerial session in Brussels next December 3-7, is the most ambitious attempt ever to liberalize international trade and pave the way for world economic expansion well into the next century.

Trade experts say the objective can be achieved only with the participation of the largest possible number of developing countries.

The United States and the Australian-led Cairns Group of farm exporting countries, which includes Canada, New Zealand and major Asian and Latin American food producers, have directed a barrage of criticism against the EEC this week, charging that the absence of a community proposal on agriculture has held up bargaining in several sectors.

Tuesday night's deal should enable EEC negotiators to put forward the EEC's formal "offer" on farm subsidies, now three weeks behind schedule, perhaps on Wednesday.

A senior trade negotiator said this implied the impasse on farm trade could no longer serve as a pretext for stalling in other key areas.

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#90310d9230 11/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

UNIVERSAL CITY, CALIFORNIA, (NOV 6) - A major fire broke out Tuesday at the Universal Studios movie facility here, burning an undetermined number of buildings, fire officials said.

It was not immediately known if the fire had caused any casualties, Los Angeles County fire spokesman Pat Marek said.

At least 18 fire trucks were sent to the blaze, which started in a sound stage area at the rear of the studio lot, said the spokesman.

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#90310e0001 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MEXICO CITY (NOV. 6) EFE - The Mexican government Monday blasted as an "economically-motivated dirty trick" a U.S. court's decision banning the import of Mexican tuna caught in nets that also trap and kill dolphins.

Mexico "will not give up catches as important as tuna because this country does not destroy, but on the contrary, preserves the environment," Fisheries Secretary Maria de los Angeles Moreno said.

Under heavy lobbying from environmentalist groups, a U.S. court last month banned the import of tuna caught by Mexican fishing boats because they allegedly use seine nets that trap and drown the dolphins that frequently swim alongside tuna.

Several major U.S. canning companies have also pledged not to use tuna caught by such methods.

Mexico has exported just 698 tons of tuna to the United States this year compared with the 10,000 tons it shipped in 1989, causing losses put at dlrs 1.5 million.

De los Angeles Moreno said Mexico would consider "drastic measures" if the United States fails to respond favorably to diplomatic moves urging that the ban be lifted.

The issue, she added, might be taken up at the summit between Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari and his U.S counterpart George Bush slated for the end of this month.

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#90310e0012 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Vienna (NOV. 6) EFE - Romanian Prime Minister Petre Roman has threatened to resign unless the public stops protesting and accepts economic reforms that have boosted prices by up to 25 per- cent, the Romanian news agency Rompres reported Tuesday.

The reforms were needed to get Romania through a serious economic crisis and served the national interest, Rompres quoted Roman as telling trade unionists late Monday.

Thousands of people have taken to the streets of Bucharest in a series of protests that started Thursday, after the government freed prices and ended subsidies of all goods except essential foodstuffs, fuel and rent.

Roman told the labor leaders he would step down if the +destabilizing actions+ continued.

The trade unionists asked Roman to compensate for the price hikes with equivalent social measures, Rompres reported.

Roman's party, the National Salvation Front, took over the government on an interim basis after dictator Nicolae Ceausescu was toppled and executed last December.

The NSF won a landslide victory in May elections but critics charge the party is riddled with former communists and claim the vote was fraudulent.

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#90310e0017 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
PORTO ALEGRE, BRAZIL (NOV 6) EFE - At least five people have been killed over the last three days in fierce storms which have swept across the southern Brazilian state of Rio Grande do Sul, damaging homes, roads and crops, officials said Tuesday.

They said three people were drowned in flood-swollen rivers in the city of Porto Alegre, 1,600 km south of Brasilia, and in the village of San Francisco de Paula.

A salesman was electrocuted in a flooded banana warehouse, while a train driver was killed in an accident in Sao Gabriel, 350 km west of Porto Alegre.

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#90310e0025 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
LONDON (NOV. 6) EFE - A Briton hiding in Kuwait has called for swift military

action to end the stalemate in the Gulf and the misery of foreigners hiding in the Iraqi-occupied country, Britain's domestic Press Association news agency reported Tuesday.

"We are praying, yes praying, for a military solution to quickly free us and Kuwait from the agony of this situation," Ronald Sargeant said in faxed messages sent via satellite to the agency.

Sargeant called on British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and U.S. President George Bush to use military intervention or to withdraw U.S.-spearheaded multinational forces in the Gulf.

"This stalemate is only hurting us and our families," Sargeant said.

His messages drew attention to diminishing food resources in the Kuwaiti capital and give details of the plight of 650 Britons hiding in Kuwait.

Since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, Sargeant said he has sought refuge in friends' houses and has travelled around in the boots of automobiles.

The British Foreign Ministry said that although it was unable to confirm every detail, it was sure the messages were authentic.

"Many of his descriptions about the resistance and situation in Kuwait correspond to information we have," a ministry spokesman said.

Hundreds of Japanese and Western men have been taken to strategic military and civilian locations in Iraq and occupied Kuwait to deter an attack by the forces massed in the Gulf.

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#90310e0028 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) EFE - Americans went to the polls Tuesday to vote for a new House of Representatives, a third of the Senate, 36 state governorships and thousands of local government officials.

Polls opened at 7 a.m. (1200 GMT in the eastern United States) in the mid-term elections, with surveys indicating that only a third of the electorate would turn out to vote.

President George Bush cast his vote in Houston, Texas, his adopted home, shortly after polls opened there and immediately headed off to Washington.

All 435 seats in the House of Representatives are up for grabs, along with 34 of the 100 Senate seats.

The elections come amid the most pessimistic atmosphere in the United States

since the late 1970s, according to surveys which show Americans worried about possible war in the Gulf and an impending economic recession.

Opinion polls have predicted a high rate of abstention, attributed in part to a belief held by 75 per cent of Americans that politics is controlled by big business.

Democrats are predicted to expand their 258-175 majority over the Republicans in the House of Representatives, gaining an additional four to 12 seats.

No change was predicted in the Democrats' 55-45 advantage in the Senate.

One of the most closely-watched races is in North Carolina, where incumbent Republican Senator Jesse Helms is being challenged by black Democrat Harvey Gantt, in a campaign tinged by racist overtones.

Women Democrats are bidding for the governorships of two of the largest states California and Texas.

Former San Francisco mayor Dianne Feinstein is seen as the likely loser in the California governor's race against Republican Senator Pete Wilson.

In Texas, Ann Richards is in a close race for the governorship against Republican millionaire Clayton Williams.

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#90310e0033 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NICOSIA (NOV. 6) EFE - Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat met Tuesday with Iraqi Foreign Affairs Minister Tareq Aziz to discuss the Gulf crisis, Radio Baghdad reported.

The PLO chief later met former West German chancellor Willy Brandt, who is on a private four-day visit to Iraq in the hope of discussing a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis and securing the release of Western hostages.

Brandt later described his meeting with Arafat as positive.

The PLO has steadfastly refused to condemn Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and has held out for an Arab solution to the crisis, linking the situation in the Gulf with the Israeli occupation of Palestine.

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#90310e0039 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Guatemala City, Nov 6 (EFE).- Two unknown gunmen have shot dead a mayor from the ruling Christian Democrat (CD) party, the latest victim in a spiral of violence in the runup to Guatemala's general elections this weekend, police

said Tuesday.

Meanwhile, a member of the U.S.-based National Democratic Institute (NDI) said the wave of violence was worrying NDI election observers.

The attackers killed Antonio Bonilla, mayor of the southern town of Jalapa, during a CD party meeting on Monday, a police spokesman said.

The mayor's bodyguards killed one of the gunmen and wounded the other, the spokesman added.

"The increase in political violence is worrying because it can affect the democratic process in a country which is only days away from elections" on Sunday, said Deborah Hauger, NDI's legal consultant.

Bonilla was running for a second term of office in Sunday's elections supported by the CD and the Revolutionary Party.

Unknown groups have murdered more than twenty leading political figures and three journalists in the runup to the presidential ballot.

Many of the NDI's 35 observers, including legislators and politicians froThursday headed by former U.S. governor and presidential candidate Bruce Babbitt.

"The observers are not coming to intervene in Guatemala's internal affairs, nor to guarantee the process, but to observe and to exchange ideas," Hauger said.

Human rights groups have blamed extreme right-wing death squads for many of the political killings and the government attributes the wave of violence to "people interested in changing the electoral process".

Guatemala's Association of Lawyers and Notaries Tuesday condemnerd the violence, saying it showed "impunity and scorn towards the most elemental human rights".

The group appealed to the government of President Vinicio Cerezo, which has promised to do everything it can to curb the violence, to act as swiftly as possible.

The election campaigns have been dominated by disputes over the legitimacy of one of the leading presidential hopefuls, former military dictator Gen. Efrain Rios Montt.

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#90310e0040 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

RANDBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 6) EFE - South African President F.W. de Klerk slammed the ultra-rightist Conservative party Tuesday, accusing the party of turning itself into a resistance movement.

During a local election campaign speech in Randburg, near Johannesburg, the president asked voters to demonstrate at the ballot box that they were opposed to the violent and illegal path which the Conservative party was taking.

De Klerk said that he would continue with reforms aimed at removing apartheid in South Africa even though Conservatives called him a traitor.

The president rejected a petition from the Conservatives, which won only 25 per cent of the white vote in the last parliamentary polls, to bring forward legislative elections.

He said that he did not accept that the Conservatives, the Afrikaaner Resistance Movement and the Boerestate party, all ultra-rightists, were representative of all white South Africans.

The results of the Randburg local election, which take place Wednesday, are considered by many observers as an important indication of white opinion on the system of anti-apartheid reforms which de Klerk began last February.

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#90310e0041 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (NOV. 6) EFE - Eighteen Colombian leftist rebels and six police officers were killed in separate battles over the weekend, Defense Ministry sources said Tuesday.

They said the rebels, members of the Colombian Revolutionary Armed Forces (FARC), were killed in separate Army raids in the northwestern departments of Bolivar and Santander.

Some 130 kg of explosives, 40 weapons of varying calibre, homemade bombs, grenades and ammunition were seized during the raids.

The ministry said the six police officers were killed in a FARC ambush as they patrolled near the town of San Juan, 450 km northwest of Bogota. Six more officers were wounded in the ambush.

The Defense Ministery source also said that over the weekend Army intelligence uncovered a FARC plan to dynamite three Air Force runways during upcoming manoeuvres involving A-37 jet fighters.

FARC, the largest and longest-standing of Colombia's five leftist rebel groups has recently begun to coordinate its attacks with the National Liberation Army (ELN).

Both belong to the Simon Bolivar Guerrilla Coordinator (CGSB), an umbrella group for the five rebel organizations.

The CGSB has said it is willing to negotiate with the government over a peace plan initiated by former president Virgilio Barco.

That plan, backed by Barco's successor, Cesar Gaviria, envisages a unilateral ceasefire by the rebels, as well as the demobilization and incorporation of all five groups into the political mainstream.

But FARC and the ELN have refused the cease-fire plan.

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#90310e0042 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOGADISHU (NOV. 6) EFE - Somalian President Mohammed Siad Barre has ordered the release of 1,100 political prisoners to mark his 21 years in power, Somalian radio reported Tuesday.

The release is part of several measures Siad Barre is taking to celebrate the 1969 military coup which brought him to power.

Nearly half of the prisoners in this East African country have already completed their sentences, Somalian radio said.

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#90310e0043 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

YAOUNDE (NOV. 6) EFE - Cameroonian President Paul Biya took the first step toward democracy Tuesday by opening a parliamentary debate on changes to the constitution and the institution of an official multi-party political system.

Parliament also discussed the possibility of reinstating the post of prime minister which was suspended in 1984.

Biya, who has run the single-party West African state since 1982, was fulfilling a promise made in June to return Cameroon to democracy.

Although political parties were banned in 1966, since last April unofficial political groups have called for changes.

Some of the groups have called for a return to the federalist system which prevailed until 1972, which they consider the only system capable of protecting the rights of the English-speaking minority against the French-speaking majority.

The exiled Cameroonian opposition living in France, Britain the United States

have asked Biya to convene a national conference on democracy.

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#90310e0050 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

GENEVA (NOV. 6) EFE - The success of the Uruguay Round of trade liberalizing talks is the key to eliminating the production of coca, the raw material for cocaine, Colombian Agriculture Minister Maria del Rosario Sintes said Tuesday.

Sintes said some countries were using agricultural subsidies to dump farm products in Colombia, depriving Colombian farmers of domestic and export markets for legal crops.

By suppressing prices for potential legal crops, the subsidies forced farmers to continue growing drug crops, she said.

"The problem is not so much to replace the illegal cultivation of coca and marijuana as to be able to sell the potential replacement crops," she said.

"We import wheat, vegetable oil and soybeans, and we should be exporting them " she added.

Sintes was in Geneva with a delegation from the so-called Cairns Group of 13 agricultural countries trying to persuade the European Community to lower farm subsidies.

The Cairns Group and the United States have insisted that a sharp lowering of the EC farm subsidies must be included in any eventual accord in the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

The Uruguay Round of talks among the more than 100 GATT members has been underway for four years and is scheduled to finish in December.

Sintes, along with ministers from Australia, Argentina and Chile, compose the Cairns Group delegation which plans to visit Bonn, Paris and Rome this week to persuade the EC to lower the farm subsidies.

Meanwhile in Brussels, EC agriculture and trade ministers have failed to agree on a proposal for lower agricultural subsidies to be presented at the Uruguay Round talks.

Germany, France and Spain were most resistant of the 12 EC countries to the proposal, sources close to the talks said.

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#90310e0051 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ALICANTE, SPAIN (NOV. 6) EFE - Spanish police Tuesday arrested two young

Dutch women found smuggling 10 kg of heroin worth dlrs two million aboard a train bound for the northeastern city of Barcelona, officials said.

The two women, Zhor Abed and Margaretha Hihorst, both aged 29, had entered Spain on a tour coach bound for the holiday resort of Benidorm where they had then taken a train headed to Barcelona.

The drugs were found during a routine police check on board the train.

Police said the drugs were to be distributed throughout the Spanish Mediterranean coast.

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#90310e0053 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LIMA (NOV. 6) EFE - At least 200,000 Peruvian state workers are to go on strike next week, joining a growing wave of labor discontent which has hit privately-owned factories and government offices alike.

The National Coalition of Public Business Unions, which includes workers in the electricity, water, oil, mineral, food, ports, iron and steel sectors, has called an indefinite strike starting November 15, union boss Sergio Solorzano said Tuesday.

On Thursday, 42,000 social security workers are to stop work indefinitely, and 200,000 construction workers are to stage a 24-hour strike.

Some 8,000 banking workers are already on a 10-day-old stoppage which the government has declared illegal.

Court employees have been on strike for a month, and oil workers are on a go-slow.

On Monday, police injured 16 people when they used a tank, tear gas and fire arms to dislodge workers from a three-week sit-in at Lima's Carbolan Pelikan factory.

Chemical workers have announced they will stop work Wednesday and the Drivers' Federation is planning a five-day strike starting on November 19.

Some unions are protesting the government's wide-ranging privatization plans.

But most strikers are demanding pay increases to cope with the effects of newly-elected President Alberto Fujimori's drastic austerity measures, implemented in August and aimed at stabilizing the country's shaky economy by reducing hyperinflation.

The legal minimum monthly salary in Peru is dlrs 57, and monthly inflation in

August reached 397 per cent.

Although the rate fell to 9.6 per cent for October, Peruvians have had to cope with the effects of the austerity measures which have led to 300 per cent hikes on the price of bread and milk, and 3,000 per cent rises on the price of gasoline.

In Peru, 55 per cent of the population -- some 12 million people -- live in poverty.

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#90310e0054 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ROME (NOV. 6) EFE - The Italian embassy in Baghdad confirmed Tuesday that 10 Italians working in Baghdad before Iraq's August invasion of Kuwait would be among the 106 foreigners granted permission to leave.

The 10 former employees of the National Institute of Hydrocarbons are waiting for visas to leave Iraq.

Italian diplomats said the decision may have been thanks to the mediation of the International Union of Arab Workers.

Radio Baghdad reported earlier Tuesday that 20 Italians would be among 106 foreigners to be released. Some 400 Italians are still stranded in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

Hundreds of Japanese and Western men have been taken to strategic military and civilian sites in Iraq and Kuwait to deter an attack by U.S.-spearheaded forces massed in the Gulf region.

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#90310e0062 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 6) EFE - European Community agriculture and trade ministers agreed Tuesday to cuts in farm subsidies paving the way for an international accord to open up world trade, EC officials said.

The ministers agreed unanimously to accept a 30 per cent reduction in grants to EC farmers over a 10 year period, but EC agricultural products will still be given preference over non-Community goods.

Tuesday's agreement was reached after two days of arduous negotiations in which Germany, France and Spain initially resisted the cuts because of the impact they would have on their farmers.

Trade officials had said that failure to reach an agreement on the cuts would endanger an accord to pull down world trade barriers due to be signed at the

end of this year under the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

The Cairns Group of 14 agricultural countries and the United States had called on the EC to slash farm subsidies by 75 per cent.

The Uruguay Round of talks among the more than 100 GATT members has been underway for four years and is scheduled to finish in December.

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#90310e0063 11/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LIMA (NOV. 6) EFE - Six people were killed and several buildings bombed in the past 24 hours in a series of attacks throughout Peru by suspected leftist rebels, police said Tuesday.

Suspected Maoist "Shining Path" guerrillas gunned down five people Monday in the towns of Tarapato and Lamas in the northern department of San Martin, police said.

Suspected leftist rebels also killed a policeman Monday in the capital.

Police blamed Peru's other main leftist rebel group, the Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement (MRTA), for a bomb attack Monday on a Lima discotheque, causing extensive damage but no injuries.

Meanwhile, suspected Shining Path guerrillas attacked a farm Monday in the town of Huancavelica, some 220 km southeast of Lima, killing cattle and destroying equipment, the Lima daily El Comercio reported Tuesday.

The MRTA took up arms against the government in 1984. The larger Shining Path group began fighting in 1980.

More than 21,000 people have been killed in a decade of political violence in Peru.

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#90310h0038 11/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 5) XINHUA - LIKE SOME BIRDS, VEGETARIAN DINOSAURS APPARENTLY SWALLOWED ROCKS TO HELP GRINDING UP THEIR FOOD, ACCORDING TO A NEW STUDY REVEALED AT THE RECENT ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY OF VERTEBRATE PALEONTOLOGY. UTAH STATE PALEONTOLOGIST DAVID D. GILLETTE, FOUND TWO GROUPS OF PLUM-SIZED ROCKS LYING IN THE RIB CAGE OF A FOSSIL SEIMOSAURUS WHICH IS STILL UNDER EXCAVATION IN CENTRAL NEW MEXICO. THE SEISMOSAURUS, THE LONGEST DINOSAUR KNOWN, HAD A HEAD NO LARGER THAN THAT OF A MODERN HORSE. WHAT IS MORE REMARKABLE OF SUCH DINOSAURS IS THAT THEY HAD SMALL, WEAK TEETH WHICH MADE SCIENTISTS WONDER HOW THEY PULVERIZED TOUGH PLANT FIBER. GILLETTE SAID THE

DINOSAUR APPARENTLY BROKE DOWN THE FIBER USING GASTROLITHS, NAMELY ROCKS INGESTED THAT WOULD HELP IN GRINDING FOOD IN SPECIAL DIGESTIVE CHAMBERS.

HE ALSO SAID THAT THE TWO GROUPS OF ROCKS FOUND SUGGESTED THE CREATURE HAD TWO ROCK-GRINDING CHAMBERS: A CROP ABOVE THE STOMACH, FOUND IN BIRDS AND CROCODILES, AND A GIZZARD BETWEEN THE STOMACH AND THE SMALL INTESTINE, ALSO FOUND IN BIRDS.

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#90310h0050 11/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISTANBUL (NOV. 6) XINHUA - TURKEY'S DEPENDENCE ON ENERGY IMPORTS WILL INCREASE WITH THE COUNTRY EXPECTED TO MEET ONLY 39 PERCENT OF ITS ENERGY DEMAND BY 2010, THE "DAILY NEWS" REPORTED TODAY.

ACCORDING TO A STUDY CONDUCTED BY THE ENERGY MINISTRY, TURKEY WILL PAY 54 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR NATURAL GAS, IIL AND COAL IMPORTS BETWEEN 1990 -, 20000, AND THE BILL MAY RISE TO 85.4 BILLION DOLLARS BETWEEN 2001 AND 2010.

PRESENTLY, 78 PERCENT OF ALL TURKEY'S ENERGY NEEDS ARE MET BY ITS OIL IMPORTS, WHICH STOOD AT ABOUT 19.5 MILLION TONNES IN 1989.

OIL IMPORTS MAY DECREASE IN THE FIRST DECADE OF THE 21ST CENTURY BUT COAL IMPORTS, ARE EXPECTED TO INCREASE.

TURKEY'S ENERGY NEEDS WILL BE MET THROUGH A COMBINATION OF COAL, OIL AND HYDRO POWER IMPORTS IN THE 2000S.

IN A RELATED DEVELOPMENT, THE TURKISH ELECTRICITY AUTHORITY AND THE TURKISH ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION EXPECT TO CONSTRUCT A NUCLEAR POWER PLANT BY 2008.

THE PLANT SHOULD BE ABLE TO PRODUCE 37 BILLION KILOWATT HOURS OF ELECTRICITY PER YEAR BY 2010.

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#90310h0053 11/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

COLOMBO (NOV. 6) XINHUA - FUEL PRICES IN SRI LANKA HAVE INCREASED BY ANOTHER 40 PERCENT EFFECTIVE FROM TODAY DUE TO THE RISE OF CRUDE OIL PRICE ON INTERNATIONAL MARKET.

THE PRICE OF A LITER OF PETROLEUM HAS BEEN RAISED BY 10 RUPEES (0.25 U.S. DOLLARS) FROM 25 RUPEES TO 35 RUPEES.

THE FUEL HIKE FOLLOWED THE INCREASE OF PETROLEUM PRICES ON AUGUST 15 THIS YEAR BY 25 PERCENT AFTER THE GULF CRISIS.

SRI LANKAN ECONOMY HAS BEEN BATTERED BY THE GULF CRISIS WHICH WILL DEPRIVE THE

COUNTRY OF 100 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS THIS YEAR AND 400 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS NEXT YEAR.

SRI LANKA WILL HAVE TO PAY AN EXTRA ANNUAL COST OF MORE THAN 100 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS ON ITS ANNUAL IMPORT OF ABOUT 165 MILLION TONS OF CRUDE OIL.

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#90310h0081 11/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ULAN BATOR (NOV. 6) XINHUA - MONGOLIA IS TO IMPORT GRAIN AND COAL TO MAKE UP FOR SHORTFALLS, THE NEWSPAPER "PEOPLE'S POWER" REPORTED TODAY.

HEAVY RAIN DURING THE SUMMER HAD CAUSED A LATE RIPENING OF GRAIN AND THERE WAS NOT ENOUGH COAL TO FUEL POWER STATIONS, THE PAPER STATED.

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#90310h0108 11/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

XI'AN (NOV. 6) XINHUA - WORK ON THE WEIHE CHEMICAL FERTILIZER PLANT, THE LARGEST OF ITS KIND IN NORTHWEST CHINA'S SHAANXI PROVINCE, STARTED TODAY ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF WEINAN CITY.

THE PROJECT WILL COST 1.4 BILLION YUAN, WHICH INCLUDES 200 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN LOANS PROVIDED BY FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS.

THE PLANT HAS A DESIGNED ANNUAL PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 300,000 TONS OF SYNTHETIC AMMONIA AND 520,000 TONS OF UREA. IT IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN 1994.

AT THE MOMENT, THE PROVINCE SPENDS MORE THAN 100,000 U.S. DOLLARS ON IMPORTING FERTILIZER EACH YEAR. THE PLANT IS EXPECTED TO ALLEVIATE THE FERTILIZER SHORTAGE AND LAY A SOLID FOUNDATION FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT IN SHAANXI, A PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURE OFFICIAL SAID.

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#90310h0109 11/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 6) XINHUA - MORE THAN FOUR MILLION PEOPLE WERE NEWLY EMPLOYED IN THE FIRST THREE QUARTERS OF THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL FROM THE MINISTRY OF LABOR.

THE OFFICIAL TOLD XINHUA HERE TODAY THAT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS HAVE STRESSED EMPLOYMENT AS A MAJOR FACTOR IN MAINTAINING SOCIAL STABILITY.

HE SAID THAT NEW EMPLOYEES HAVE GOT JOBS MOSTLY IN STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISES; OTHERS HAVE FOUND JOBS IN COLLECTIVE-OWNED ENTERPRISES, GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS, THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND SINO-FOREIGN JOINT VENTURES.

ACCORDING TO THE MINISTRY, MOST OF THE 570,000 GRADUATES FROM UNIVERSITIES HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED IN STATE-OWNED UNITS SINCE THE GOVERNMENT HAS EXPANDED THE SCOPE OF STATE ASSIGNMENTS THIS YEAR.

STATISTICS PROVIDED BY THE STATE STATISTICS BUREAU SHOW THAT IN THE FIRST THREE QUARTERS UNEMPLOYMENT HAD DROPPED TO 4.5 MILLION BY THE END OF SEPTEMBER -- ABOUT THREE PERCENT.

THANKS TO MORE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES, THE INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL WORKFORCE HAS GROWN STEADILY THIS YEAR TO 137 MILLION BY THE END OF SEPTEMBER. IT IS EXPECTED TO GROW TO 139.5 MILLION BY THE END OF THE YEAR, MAKING IT TWO MILLION MORE THAN LAST YEAR.

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#90310h0110 11/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 6) XINHUA - CHINA HAS LAUNCHED A LARGE-SCALE CAMPAIGN TO BUILD CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN RURAL AREAS DURING THE WINTER SLACK FARMING PERIOD TO ENSURE GOOD HARVESTS NEXT YEAR.

BY THE END OF OCTOBER MORE THAN 600 MILLION LABOR DAYS HAD BEEN SPENT ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF IRRIGATION FACILITIES AND IMPROVEMENT OF POOR FARMLAND.

1.1 BILLION CU M OF EARTHWORKS HAD BEEN COMPLETED AND 630,000 HA OF ARID LAND HAD BEEN BROUGHT UNDER IRRIGATION AND 2.7 MILLION HA OF ERODED LAND HAD BEEN IMPROVED.

THE GOVERNMENTS OF 22 PROVINCES, AUTONOMOUS REGIONS AND MUNICIPALITIES HAVE WORKED OUT PLANS FOR FARMLAND IMPROVEMENT DURING THE WINTER-SPRING SEASON AND PREPARED SPECIAL FUNDS AND MATERIALS FOR THE PURPOSE.

THE GOVERNMENT OF SHAANXI PROVINCE, IN NORTHWEST CHINA, HAS EARMARKED 19 MILLION YUAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER CONSERVANCY PROJECTS. JIANGXI PROVINCE IN EAST CHINA, HAS SUPPLIED 4,000 TONS OF STEEL AND 1,000 TONS OF CEMENT AS WELL AS OTHER MATERIALS NECESSARY FOR IRRIGATION FACILITY CONSTRUCTION.

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#90310h0113 11/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 6) XINHUA - SIXTEEN SENIOR CHINESE MANAGERS WILL LEAVE FOR THE UNITED STATES THURSDAY TO JOIN A MANAGEMENT TRAINING PROGRAM THERE.

THE SENIOR MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, ORGANIZED BY THE U.S. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT COMPANY AT AND T AND CHINA'S STATE COMMISSION FOR RESTRUCTURING THE ECONOMY, HAS ALREADY TRAINED 30 CHINESE OFFICIALS IN TWO BATCHES SINCE 1988.

ACCORDING TO THE ORGANIZERS, EACH 10-MONTH COURSE PROVIDES THREE MONTHS OF

WORKSHOPS WITH MANAGERS OF AT AND T AND MANAGEMENT STUDY IN EIGHT U.S. UNIVERSITIES, INCLUDING HARVARD, YALE, MIT AND WHARTON.

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#90310h0130 11/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ACCRA (NOV. 6) XINHUA - CANADA HAS CANCELLED A TOTAL OF 22.8 BILLION CEDIS (77.57 MILLION CANADIAN DOLLARS) OF DEBT OWED HER BY GHANA BETWEEN 1969 AND 1981.

THIS WAS CONTAINED IN A STATEMENT ISSUED TODAY BY MR. C.D. FOGERTY, CANADIAN HIGHER COMMISSIONER IN GHANA.

THE STATEMENT SAID THAT THE CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER HAS WRITTEN TO DR. KWESI BOTCHWEY, GHANAIAN SECRETARY FOR FINANCE AND ECONOMIC PLANNING, SAYING THAT ALL FORMALITIES REGARDING HIS GOVERNMENT'S DECISION TO WAIVE THE DEBT HAVE BEEN FINALIZED.

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#90310h0134 11/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TEHRAN (NOV. 6) XINHUA - IRANIAN PRESIDENT HASHEMI RAFSANJANI CALLED TODAY FOR TIGHTENED CONTROL OVER ATOMIC WEAPONS TO AVOID NUCLEAR HOLOCAUST.

AT A MEETING WITH VISITING DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY (IAEA) HANS BLIX, THE PRESIDENT SAID: "IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO CONTROL NUCLEAR WEAPONS IF EVEN A SINGLE COUNTRY IS EQUIPPED WITH SUCH ARMS."

IT WAS IMPORTANT TO PREVENT THE DESTRUCTIVE EFFECTS OF SUCH WEAPONS BY COMPLETELY BANNING THEIR USES, HE ADDED.

IT WAS INSUFFICIENT TO MERELY SIGN AGREEMENTS PROHIBITING THE USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, HE ASSERTED, ADDING THAT SOME COUNTRIES MIGHT NOT OBSERVE INTERNATIONAL LAWS WHENEVER THEIR INTERESTS WERE ENDANGERED.

IRAN WOULD REMAIN COMMITTED TO ITS OBLIGATIONS, BUT "THIS DID NOT APPLY TO ALL OTHER STATES," IRAN'S OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY IRNA QUOTED THE PRESIDENT AS SAYING.

THE PRESIDENT CITED THE EXISTING BALLISTIC MISSILES IN THE WORLD AND IRAQ'S USE OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS DURING THE EIGHT-YEAR WAR WITH IRAN (1980 TO 1988) TO SUPPORT HIS VIEW.

APPARENTLY, HIS STATEMENT WAS NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE GULF CRISIS TRIGGERED BY THE AUGUST 2 IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT, BUT THERE WERE FEARS OF NUCLEAR OR CHEMICAL WARFARE IF IRAQ AND THE WESTERN POWERS COME TO A SHOWDOWN.

IRAQ WAS ACCUSED OF USING CHEMICAL ARMS AGAINST IRANIAN TROOPS IN THE SOUTHERN WARFRONT AND THE ETHNIC KURDS IN NORTHERN IRAQ BEFORE THE GULF WAR ENDED IN

AUGUST 1988.

IT WAS PREDICTED THAT IRAQ MAY RESORT TO ITS CHEMCIAL STOCKPILES ONCE AGAIN IF IT IS IN REAL DANGER OF DESTRUCTION.

THE WESTERN FORCES IN THE GULF WERE SUSPECTED OF POSSESSING TACTICAL NUCLEAR ARMS WHILE REPORTS INDICATED THAT IRAQ HAD ACCESS TO MATERIALS FOR DEVELOPING ATOMIC WEAPONS.

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Nightline (ABC) November 5, 1990 (Transcript #2466)

Election Forecast: A bipartisan discussion on how such issues as voter anger and anti-incumbent, anti-Republican feelings will translate into votes at the polls, and whether voter disgust will mean lower turnout.

Crossfire (CNN) November 5, 1990 (Transcript #176)

The Election Pre-Game Show: Ed Rollins of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee and Ron Brown, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, make predictions on tomorrow's election.

Larry King Live (CNN) November 5, 1990 (Transcript #164)

1990 Election Preview: Political predictions on the upcoming congressional and gubernatorial elections by former Speaker of the House Tip O'Neill and columnist George F. Will.

Good Morning America (ABC) November 5, 1990 (Transcript #1146)

Voting from the desert; limiting legislators' terms; Ronald Reagan interview

(Part 1 -- Hollywood years); taxi insurance; legends of the London underworld; Virginia Thanksgiving; Mary Martin remembered; Iben Browning interview; ex-wife syndrome; kids and weight lifting; Richard Dean Anderson interview.

American Experience (WGBH) November 5, 1990 (Transcript #305)

The Satellite Sky: A blend of archival footage, the Sputnik 2 launch, science-fiction films, commercials and person-on-the- street interviews make up this wry look at the ''space race'' between the U.S. and the USSR.

Oprah Winfrey Show November 5, 1990 (Transcript #1081)

Regaining Weight: Dieters express their feelings of failure and shame over regaining weight after successfully shedding it.

Donahue November 5, 1990 (Transcript #3070)

Angela Lansbury: The actress talks about her career in movies and on the stage and about her new fitness book, Positive Moves, and explains why she participated in a controversial ad for a California ballot initiative.

Geraldo November 5, 1990 (Transcript #818)

What Black Men Really Want From Black Women: Shahra-zad Ali, author of the controversial Blackman's Guide to Understanding the Blackwoman, discusses her opinions of the different views black men and women have of themselves and their relationships.

Sally Jessy Raphael November 5, 1990 (Transcript #566)

Con Artists: Women who fell in love with professional con artists and were taken for large amounts of money debate their responsibility in the scams with a man who says they were naive and partially to blame.

Tuesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: In Living Color Sally Jessy Raphael: When Your Best Friend is Murdered Geraldo: Sex and the Law Oprah Winfrey: Can My Marriage Survive an Affair?

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#90310k0009 11/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 6) KYODO - SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV SAID ON MONDAY IN MOSCOW THAT HE EXPECTS SOUTH KOREAN COMPANIES WILL TAKE A LEADING ROLE IN CREATING A ''SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE'' IN THE SOVIET FAR EAST REGION, INCLUDING NAKHODKA, OFFICIALS OF THE SOUTH KOREAN HYUNDAI BUSINESS GROUP SAID TUESDAY.

GORBACHEV MADE THE REMARKS AT A MEETING WITH CHONG CHU YONG, AN HONORARY CHAIRMAN OF THE HYUNDAI BUSINESS GROUP, WHO IS CURRENTLY VISITING MOSCOW.

DURING THE 40-MINUTE MEETING, GORBACHEV ALSO CALLED FOR SOUTH KOREA'S HELP IN OBTAINING DAILY NECESSITIES AND CONSUMER GOODS, WHICH ARE NOW RUNNING OUT IN THE SOVIET UNION.

GORBACHEV SAID THAT HE WILL SEND HIS MESSAGE TO SOUTH KOREAN PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO THROUGH VADIM A. MEDVEDEV, A MEMBER OF THE SOVIET PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL, WHO IS SCHEDULED TO VISIT SOUTH KOREA ON NOVEMBER 16.

GORBACHEV ALSO SAID HE IS CONVINCED THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS ON SEPTEMBER 30 WILL BE INSTRUMENTAL IN STABILIZING THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN EAST ASIA, INCLUDING NORTH KOREA.

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#90310k0013 11/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 6) KYODO - SANWA BANK WILL OPEN A REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN LISBON ON THURSDAY, OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

THE MOVE IS IN LINE WITH SANWA'S PLAN TO ENLARGE ITS BASE AHEAD OF THE SINGLE MARKET INTEGRATION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY IN 1992, THEY SAID.

THIS BRINGS THE NUMBER OF THE BANK'S OVERSEAS OUTLETS TO 51, INCLUDING BRANCHES, AGENCIES, AND REPRESENTATIVE OFFICES.

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#90310k0053 11/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 6) KYODO - FOUR MAJOR JAPANESE STEELMAKERS WILL EXPORT 80,000 TONS OF STEEL PIPES TO THE SOVIET UNION NEXT YEAR, OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

NIPPON STEEL CORP., SUMITOMO METAL INDUSTRIES LTD., KAWASAKI STEEL CORP., AND NKK CORP. WILL EXPORT LARGE-DIAMETER STEEL PIPES FROM JANUARY TO JUNE 1991.

EXPORTS OF STEEL HAD BEEN TEMPORARILY STOPPED DUE TO PAYMENT DELAYS. THE CURRENT AGREEMENT FOLLOWS A DEAL MADE AT THE END OF OCTOBER FOR THE EXPORT OF 105,000 TONS OF SEAMLESS PIPES.

PRICES ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN INCREASED 20 PERCENT ABOVE THOSE OF THE PREVIOUS ROUND OF EXPORTS. PAYMENTS WILL BE GUARANTEED BY ISSUANCE OF A LETTER OF CREDIT.

OFFICIALS SAID THEY BELIEVE THE SOVIETS AGREED TO THE SUBSTANTIAL PRICE HIKE BECAUSE OF THE PRIORITY GIVEN TO DEVELOPING ENERGY RESOURCES. HIGH CRUDE OIL PRICES RESULTING FROM THE GULF CRISIS HAVE BENEFITED THE SOVIET UNION WITH AN INCREASED FLOW OF FOREIGN CURRENCY, THEY SAID.

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#90310k0054 11/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 6) KYODO - NIPPON IDOU TSUSHIN CORP. (IDO) SAID TUESDAY IT HAS COMMISSIONED AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CO. (AT AND T), NEC CORP., AND FUJITSU LTD. TO DEVELOP A DIGITAL MOBILE TELEPHONE.

THE BLUEPRINT FOR THE NEXT-GENERATION PORTABLE TELEPHONES WILL BE WORKED OUT WITHIN THE YEAR. THE FIRM HOPES TO BRING THE ITEM TO PRACTICAL USE BY LATE 1992.

THE MOVE MAKES IDO THE THIRD TELECOMMUNICATIONS FIRM TO UNDERTAKE SUCH A PROJECT.

NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. (NTT) HAS ALREADY COMMISSIONED 10 FIRMS, INCLUDING TELEFONAKTIEBOLAGET LM ERICSSON, MOTOROLA INC., AND AT AND T, TO DEVELOP THE DIGITAL PORTABLE TELEPHONES.

DAINI-DENDEN INC. (DDI) HAS COMMISSIONED MOTOROLA, ERICSSON, AND NEC TO DEVELOP SUCH A DIGITAL TELEPHONE.

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#90310k0062 11/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 6) KYODO - CONSUMER CONFIDENCE SLIPPED 4.1 POINTS TO 45.3 IN JAPAN DURING THE JULY-SEPTEMBER QUARTER COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS QUARTER, ACCORDING TO A SURVEY RELEASED BY THE ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY (EPA) ON TUESDAY.

THE 4.1 POINT QUARTER-TO-QUARTER FALL FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1990 FOLLOWED A 0.9 POINT RISE IN THE APRIL-JUNE QUARTER, THE QUARTERLY SURVEY SAID.

AN EPA OFFICIAL SAID THE DROP REFLECTS ANXIETIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE GULF CRISIS SUCH AS THE GROWING CONCERN OVER INFLATION TOGETHER WITH HIGH INTEREST RATES DAMPENING HOUSING LOANS.

THE POLL, CONDUCTED ON SEPTEMBER 15, COVERING 5,040 HOUSE HOLDS, USES A SET OF 20 QUESTIONS TO SAMPLE CONSUMER THINKING ON SUCH FACTORS AS INCOME GROWTH, INTEREST BURDENS, EMPLOYMENT, AND PURCHASING PATTERNS.

ON A YEAR-ON-YEAR BASIS, THE OVERALL CONFIDENCE INDEX FOR THE JULY-SEPTEMBER PERIOD FELL 1.7 POINTS TO 47.7.

PURCHASING OF 33 DURABLE GOODS INCREASED 3.1 POINTS IN JULY-SEPTEMBER QUARTER FROM THE PREVIOUS THREE MONTHS BUT IS EXPECTED TO SUFFER A 0.4 POINT DECLINE IN THE OCTOBER-DECEMBER QUARTER.

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#90310k0076 11/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 6) KYODO - JAPAN'S MAJOR SHIPBUILDERS REPORTED STEADY GAINS TUESDAY IN THEIR SALES AND UNCONSOLIDATED PRETAX PROFITS DURING THE APRIL-SEPTEMBER PERIOD.

AMONG THE COUNTRY'S SIX LEADING HEAVY MACHINERY MAKERS, MITSUI ENGINEERING AND SHIPBUILDING CO. ALONE SUFFERED A 4.7 PERCENT LOSS IN PRETAX PROFIT DESPITE A 33.6 PERCENT RISE IN SALES.

BUT MITSUI OFFICIALS SAID THE COMPANY IS EXPECTED TO SHOW A PRETAX PROFIT FOR THE ENTIRE FISCAL YEAR.

SPOKESMEN FOR HEAVY MACHINERY MANUFACTURERS CITED ROBUST ORDERS IN THE INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY AS WELL AS SHIPBUILDING SECTORS FOR THE GOOD PROFIT FIGURES.

THE ONCE DEPRESSED SHIPBUILDING SECTOR HAS IMPROVED SIGNIFICANTLY DUE TO A RECOVERY IN ORDERS FOR VESSELS AND EFFORTS TO STREAMLINE THEIR OPERATIONS, THE SPOKESMEN SAID.

THE SIX BIGGEST HEAVY MACHINERY MANUFACTURERS, EXCEPT FOR HITACHI ZOSEN, PREDICT SUBSTANTIAL GAINS IN SALES AND PRETAX PROFIT FOR THE YEAR DUE TO CONTINUED ACTIVE CAPITAL INVESTMENT.

FOLLOWING ARE THE FIRST-HALF FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE SIX LARGEST SHIPBUILDERS IN TERMS OF BILLIONS OF YEN, WITH THE PERCENTAGE OF YEAR-ON-YEAR INCREASES OR DECLINES IN PARENTHESES.

	SALES	PRETAX PROFIT	NET PROFIT
MITSUBISHI HEAVY	1,030.4(1.9)	66.4(5.0)	35.4(13.6)
INDUSTRIES KAWASAKI HEAVY	355.1(3.7)	8.5(40.5)	6.0(23.9)
INDUSTRIES ISHIKAWAJIMA-HARIMA	302.5(6.6)	10.6(56.4)	7.2(15.3)
HEAVY INDUSTRIES SUMITOMO HEAVY	105.3(0.7)	1.2(24.1)	1.2(24.1)

INDUSTRIES MITSUI ENGINEERING	104.2(33.6)	2.7(-4.7)	7.5(341.0)
AND SHIPBUILDING HITACHI ZOSEN	104.0(24.4)	2.0(---)	2.0(---)

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OSAKA (NOV. 6) KYODO - NISSHO IWAI CORP., A MAJOR GENERAL TRADING HOUSE, SAID TUESDAY THE FIRM WILL PURCHASE ABOUT 53,000 HECTARES OF NATIONAL FOREST IN NEW ZEALAND JOINTLY WITH A MEDIUM-SCALE JAPANESE HOUSING MATERIAL MAKER, JUKEN SANGYO CO.

THE PURCHASE, TO BE CONDUCTED THROUGH A JOINT VENTURE COMPANY SET UP IN NEW ZEALAND BY THE TWO IN JUNE THIS YEAR, WILL MAKE THE JOINT CONCERN THE FOURTH-LARGEST OWNER OF NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL FOREST, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE PURCHASE PRICE IS ESTIMATED AT ABOUT 126 MILLION NEW ZEALAND DOLLARS OR EQUIVALENT TO ABOUT 10 BILLION YEN.

THE JOINT VENTURE, JUKEN NISSHO, PLANS TO INVEST ABOUT 6.2 BILLION YEN TO BUILD TWO PROCESSING FACTORIES IN THE COUNTRY. JUKEN SANGYO, HEADQUARTERED IN HIROSHIMA PREFECTURE, IS KNOWN AS ONE OF JAPAN'S MAJOR PLYWOOD PROCESSORS.

JUKEN SANGYO WILL FINANCE 85 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL PROJECT AND NISSHO IWAI THE REMAINING 15 PERCENT.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THEY EXPECT THAT FROM 1993, THE TWO LUMBER MILLS WILL BEGIN PRODUCING 100,000 CUBIC METERS OF LAMINATED WOOD AND OTHER LUMBER PRODUCTS ANNUALLY.

THE LAMINATED LUMBER PRODUCTS ARE ALL TO BE SHIPPED TO JUNKEN'S JAPANESE FACTORIES FOR FURTHER PROCESSING TO MAKE HOUSING MATERIALS, THEY SAID.

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TOKYO (NOV. 6) KYODO - MITSUI AND CO., A MAJOR JAPANESE TRADING HOUSE, SAID TUESDAY IT WILL FORM A JOINT VENTURE IN CANADA NEXT MARCH TO PRODUCE ETHYLENE GLYCOL (EG) WITH A SUBSIDIARY OF UNION CARBIDE CORP. OF THE UNITED STATES.

TWO TAIWANESE FIRMS ALSO WILL HAVE A STAKE IN THE NEW FIRM, TO BE CALLED ALBERTA AND ORIENT GLYCOL CO., MITSUI OFFICIALS SAID.

MITSUI CALLED ON TAIWAN'S ORIENTAL UNION CHEMICAL CORP., AN EG PRODUCER, AND FAR EASTERN TEXTILE LTD., A POLYETHYLENE MAKER, TO PUT UP CAPITAL FOR THE VENTURE SINCE MUCH OF THE FIRM'S PRODUCTS WILL BE DESTINED FOR THE ASIAN MARKET.

UNION CARBIDE WILL HAVE A 50 PERCENT STAKE WHILE MITSUI AND THE TAIWANESE

FIRMS WILL HOLD 25 PERCENT EACH IN THE FIRM, WHICH WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 120 MILLION CANADIAN DOLLARS.

UNION CARBIDE CHEMICALS AND PLASTICS CO., A SUBSIDIARY OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST PRODUCER OF EG, WILL PLAN THE ADDITIONAL EG PRODUCTION FACILITIES. THE VENTURE WILL EXERCISE CONTROL OVER OPERATIONS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 6) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei loses 420 points. ... The FTSE is up 12 points at midday. dollar is stronger against the yen, but is little changed against the mark. ... North Sea crude slips another 20 cents to $31.70. ... The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS says home prices rose just 1.8% in the third-quarter over the same period a year ago, the smallest rise since the 1982 recession. ... October car and truck sales by the "Big Three" rose just 1.7% over a weak October 1989, but analysts had been looking for an even more lackluster figure. ... The UNITED AUTO WORKERS union bargaining council has approved a tentative three-year contract with CHRYSLER, clearing the way for a rank-and-file vote. ... STANDARD & POOR'S downgrades about $22 billion of CITICORP debt from AA-minus to A-plus. ... GENERAL CINEMA drops its bid to buy the rest of NEIMAN-MARCUS, but some say the deal is not yet dead.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The LABOR DEPARTMENT is scheduled to release productivity and costs for the third quarter at 10 a.m. EDT. ... The POSTMASTER GENERAL ANTHONY FRANK will hold a briefing on postal contract negotiations and advance technology later today. ... The TREASURY DEPARTMENT auctions $12.5 billion in three-year notes this afternoon. ... BUSINESSLAND increases its target for staff reduction to 20%, up from the 10% it announced in September. ... A federal judge says MICHAEL MILKEN will be sentenced next week on his guilty plea to six felony charges.

FROM THE BULLS:

"This is not the end of the world, as some would have you believe," says STEFAN ABRAMS, chief investment strategist at KIDDER, PEABODY. "The stock market has come down a lot since the July peak. Stocks are very close to ... fair value." (WSJ, 11/6)

The current erosion of interest rates "almost guarantees that 1991 will be

good" for the market, says MICHAEL SCHONBERG of CHASE INVESTORS MANAGEMENT. He says the economic situation is looking better, since rates are already falling in anticipation of a move by the Fed. "Most of the weakness is behind us," says Schonberg. ("Investor's Daily", 11/6)

"The stock market has probably done its worst," says MICHAEL SHERMAN, chief strategist for SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON INC. (WSJ, 11/6)

FROM THE BEARS:

According to STEVEN EINHORN, chief strategist at GOLDMAN SACHS & CO., the outlook for stocks is still crummy. Investors, he says, should put most of their money in bonds, preferably intermediate-term government bonds. "Our caution came well before the Iraqi invasion," Einhorn says. "Even if Iraq is resolved quickly and favorably, all we would expect is a relief rally." (WSJ, 11/6)

"We feel that there is some downside - modest downside - in both stocks and bonds over the next few months," says RAYMOND WORSECK, a strategist at A.G. EDWARDS & SONS. He thinks the Dow industrials could drop to about 2200 or 2300 in the next few months. Long-term interest rates, he figures, could climb to 9.25% or 9.5% before a long slow decline back to around 8% sometime in 1991. The St. Louis based firm recommends a defensive blend of 40% stocks, 40% bonds and 20% cash. (WSJ, 11/6)

STOCK MARKET:

"What we're seeing is a continuation of the rally that began Oct. 11 at Dow 2365," says WALTER REVIS of HAMILTON INVESTMENTS. He feels "the downside risk in the market is limited," and predicts the market will trade between 2300 and 2600 until forming a low late this year or in early 1991. "The wild card is the Middle East," says Revis. ("Investor's Daily", 11/6)

"There's nothing that can be said about this stock market that hasn't already been said," says DAN MURPHY at C.J. LAWRENCE. "Everybody knows most of the real selling has been done for the time being and they're waiting either for a decent bottoming action or for the 'other shoe to fall,'" from today's elections, an outburst in the Mideast or from today's Treasury auction. ("The Washington Post", 11/6)

"The market, at the moment, is very enthusiastic about the fact that the economy is looking progressively weaker," says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. "I wouldn't be surprised to see the market up another hundred, two hundred points ... as long as ... the Fed comes along and does ease." Acuff currently lists IBM as his favorite stock. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/5)

The stock market has "the groundwork for a tremendous 1991," according to DON HAYS of WHEAT FIRST BUTCHER & SINGER CAPITAL MARKETS. But he says that is all

contingent on the Fed. "Surely to goodness, we will have to have another cut" in rates to realize those gains, says Hays. ("Investor's Daily", 11/6)

"Very resilient," says MICHAEL METZ, chief market analyst for OPPENHEIMER & COMPANY, in describing the current stock market. "There's been no change in the fundamental background. It's dominated by fears of recession/depression and the possibility of financial catastrophe, but it looks like the market has largely discounted it. So many investors have so much cash that it's making both the stock and bond market go up. The trillion-dollar question is whether it's a short-term rally or a sustained rebound." (NYT, 11/6)

Stock investors are forgetting that a weak economy hurts earnings, says DENNIS JARRETT, chief market analyst at KIDDER PEABODY. "They perceive interest rates falling faster than corporate profits," he says, which he thinks is the opposite of what will happen. (WSJ, 11/6)

"Without the programs, the market just drifted," says DAN WILLIAMS at DILLON READ & CO. "Everyone will be watching [today's Treasury auction] pretty closely. That's their main concern." ("USA Today", 11/6)

Yesterday's gains were created by a barrage of program buying, and not by any fundamental changes, according to ARNIE WOLTER of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "I think the burden of proof is on the market to show that it isn't just a bear market rally," says Wolter. ("Investor's Daily", 11/6)

GREG SMITH, PRUDENTIAL-BACHE's chief strategist, is cautious in this market. He recommends that investors keep about 40% of their money in stocks, 45% in bonds and 15% in cash. When was the last time Mr. Smith recommended more bonds than stocks? "Probably never," he says. But Smith figures that to spark a real rally in stocks, interest rates must decline causing bonds to rise before stocks do. (WSJ, 11/6)

"If the Treasury refunding [today] goes well, people will be extremely long the market at some very high levels and it could be very risky," says MICHAEL KRAUSS of LEHMAN BROTHERS. "It could be very risky for the downside. It's very rare that we see the market rally into a refunding and rally thereafter." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 11/5)

STOCK TIPS:

BARRY ABRAMSON at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE says utility stocks "are very attractive right now and becoming even more attractive as the economy appears to get worse." His favorites are GENERAL PUBLIC UTILITIES, DOMINION RESOURCES, LG&E ENERGY, PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC and POTOMAC ELECTRIC. ("USA Today", 11/6)

ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT will continue to show outstanding growth, says BILL MATTHEWS at the "Cheap Investor." The company is the only U.S. company capitalizing on the Nintendo craze which didn't exist five years ago. ASTA

RESEARCH is a quality company, says Matthews: "A steal at $15 per share." (CNBC "World Business", 11/6)

Many analysts are looking more favorably than ever on some pollution control and environmental services companies given passage of the Clean Air Act last month. GLENN CUTLER at the SHIELD PROGRESSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL FUND favors WAHLCO ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS and MIDWESCO FILTER RESOURCES. STEPHEN SCHWEICH at ALEX. BROWN picks AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGY and TRC COS. ROTAN MOSLE analyst ED CABRERA likes TEAM INC. ("USA Today", 11/6)

TRANSCANADA PIPELINES is "a good stock if it doesn't get the regulatory approvals it needs; if it does, it becomes a great stock," says DOUGLAS FLEGG, an analyst at MIDLAND WALWYN CAPITAL here. (WSJ, 11/6)

Recent rises in stock prices have squeezed short sellers, says CNBC's DAN DORFMAN. Here's his list of widely shorted stocks which have seen recent price gains: FREDDIE MAC, DISNEY, BANK OF NEW YORK, BANKAMERICA, GOLDEN WEST FINANCIAL, CONTINENTAL CORP., HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL, BENEFICIAL, PRIMERICA and WELLS FARGO which Dorfman calls, "Every short's favorite short." (CNBC "World Business", 11/6)

"We believe that the services delivery side of health care presents some outstanding opportunities," says TODD RICHTER, industry analyst for DEAN WITTER. He likes HUMANA and PACIFICARE, a West Coast HMO. Medical insurance helps protect the health services sector from economic downturns, says Richter. (CNBC "World Business", 11/6)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

The dollar's new low against the deutsche-mark "is a continuation of the view that interest rates are headed lower and that the economy is weak," says DAVID WILSON of GIRONZENTRALE NEW YORK. ("Investor's Daily", 11/6)

"There's really no reason anyone should be long the dollar," says GUY STANDING assistant vice president at CREDIT LYONNAIS in New York. (WSJ, 11/6)

"All the market factors are working against the dollar," says CHRISTIANNE MANDELL of SECURITY PACIFIC MERCHANT BANK. A weaker economy means "the return on real investment doesn't look that good," according to SALOMON BROTHERS analyst ANITA LAURIA. ("Investor's Daily", 11/6)

The dollar might be "getting close to a bottom," says KAREN KLUGE, corporate adviser at CREDIT SUISSE in New York, but there is "nothing to say it couldn't push a bit lower." (WSJ, 11/6)

"We could be in for a further selloff" in the dollar, says CHARLES SPENCE of FIRST INTERSTATE BANK. He believes the "trend is still down," but will reverse itself when "people start talking about parity" between the deutsche-mark and the greenback. ("Investor's Daily", 11/6)

The dollar will continue to head lower, says ALLEN SINAI, chief economist at THE BOSTON COMPANY ECONOMIC ADVISORS. Sinai says comparatively low short-term U.S. interest rates are one reason. "Also ... international investors have and still are allocating away from dollar denominated assets because of all our problems." Sinai says the weak dollar will help cushion the economic downturn by boosting exports. "Thank goodness for the falling dollar. It's like falling interest rates - it helps hold our economic activity up." He expects another quarter point cut in the discount rate by the middle of November. (CNBC "World Business", 11/6)

H. ERICH HEINEMANN, chief economist for LADENBURG, THALMANN & COMPANY, predicts that the fed funds rate will drop from 7 3/4 now to 5% to 6% by the first half of next year. He says, "Credit demand is so weak now that the Fed has to drain money out of the banks to keep rates from going down even more than has been the case. This 'tightening' is inadvertent, but is setting the stage for a much stronger drop in fed funds later on." (NYT, 11/6)

It is "just a matter of time before the Fed becomes more aggressive in permitting lower short-term rates," says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. "If one had a list of wishes, one would wish that the Fed would lower short-term rates again after the auction this week." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/5)

"More and more investors are feeling that the economy has fallen into recession and that the Federal Reserve must ease credit more aggressively," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN, a senior vice president at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "In that sort of environment, the place people want to put their money is in high-quality, highly liquid securities like Treasuries." (NYT, 11/6)

"We think bonds are getting more attractive as the economy eases," says MANNY KORMAN, director of research at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS INC. He sees a "trading range" stock market with perhaps "a slight decline." (WSJ, 11/6)

"As long as real interest rates are higher abroad, investors will focus more on foreign bonds than domestic U.S. securities," says CARL NAPOLITANO, a market strategist at RC GOVERNMENT SECURITIES. "Basically, the issue is whether at these lofty levels speculators or investors can comfortably make the decision to absorb the kind of risk the Treasury is asking them to take with this much debt." (Reuters, 11/5)

"I think we are getting more into a deflation mode and that suggests to me something is about to change in the financial markets," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "Up to this point, every time we get deflation news, both the stock market and the bond market go up. I think if this deflation continues, the bond market will continue to go up ... but stocks are going to whither. Stocks are going to need signs of a turn in the economy before you can trust any stock market rally. Right now, I still like bonds and I really distrust stocks very much until I can see signs of economic recovery, which I can't see yet." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/5)

"When people wake up to the oversupply of [Treasury notes and bonds] the price will go down," says EMORY UNIVERSITY economics professor JEFFREY ROSENWEIG. "There's no real reason for [the Japanese] to want to buy them." ("Investor's Daily", 11/6)

"I think the auction ought to go fairly well assuming no major developments of a negative nature in the Middle East," says ROBERT CHANDROSS of LLOYDS BANK. "There is concern about foreign participation, but my sense is Japanese investors will participate for a respectable amount, at least as traders." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 11/5)

THE ECONOMY:

"The economy is on the edge or actually in a free fall," says H. ERICH HEINEMANN, chief economist for LADENBURG, THALMANN & COMPANY. "Employment is down 700,000 since June, unemployment claims are skyrocketing, real income is down and personal savings are sharply lower." (NYT, 11/6)

"We do see a recession through the first half of next year," says WILLIAM HELMAN, co-chairman of the investment policy committee at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM & CO. "We are not anticipating a major deterioration beyond that, [but] there's always that uncertainty." (WSJ, 11/6)

"There is a divergence of opinion whether recession has started," says ROBERT KLEIN of CIC-UNION EUROPEENNE INTERNATIONAL. That argument notwithstanding, Klein says "we have something nasty out there in the U.S. economy." ("Investor's Daily", 11/6)

"Any English speaking country - Australia, New Zealand, Canada, the United Kingdom, the United States - all are either now in a recession or flirting with a recession," says DAVID GERMANY, international economist with MORGAN STANLEY. He says that Germany and Japan are in an earlier stage of the economic cycle and are still tightening credit in an effort to fight inflation. (FNN "A.M. Business", 11/6)

Despite recent rises in auto sales "conventional wisdom seems to be that sooner or later the barrage of bad news since early August is bound to take its toll on the automotive market," says ROBERT REWEY, vice president of sales

for FORD's North American automotive operations. (NYT, 11/6)

"What we've seen this year in our government's handling of the deficit has contributed to the declining consumer sentiment," says DOUGLAS LEE of COUNTY NATWEST USA. "Consumer confidence took a sharp drop in October, when the budget fiasco hit its peak." ("Investor's Daily", 11/6)

MICHAEL COSGROVE of ECONOCLAST says that changes in the world economy "have put us in a bind" by creating the credit crunch. He says "the Europeans are increasing their need for capital at the same time the U.S. also has a major need for capital." ("Investor's Daily", 11/6)

Assuming no war in the Middle East, NOEL CASEY, president of CASEY ENERGY GROUP, sees oil prices "work irregularly lower over the next several weeks ... sort of drifting down through January into February. At that point, I think we will see a sharper decline that will take us by the end of April down to around $25 a barrel. ... That kind of price will be sustained during the summer and as we get into the fall of 1991 ... I would think the Saudis and others would be agreeable to a slight increase, perhaps a dollar a barrel, at the end of December '91 and that is the kind of magnitude we would look for over the next several years. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/5)

IN WASHINGTON:

"The fact that [SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES] BAKER is in Saudi Arabia and Mr. Bush is scheduled to go later on in the month implies that war is not imminent " says SHAHROKH NIKKHAH, of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. Oil market analyst THOMAS BLAKESLEE of PEGASUS ECONOMETRIC GROUP adds, "The politicians aren't stirring the Middle East cauldron because they're campaigning." (NYT, 11/6)

ALLEN SINAI, chief economist for THE BOSTON CO. ECONOMIC ADVISERS, says that the budget agreement will "depress an already depressed and recession-bound economy." He estimates that the deal will shave 1/2% of GNP growth and may cost as many as 250,000 jobs. But Sinai looks for long-term gains. He says a lower deficit and debt will help lower interest rates and will allow resources to be better targeted. "No gain without pain," says Sinai. ("Nightly Business Report", 11/5)

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SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Bonneville Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: BPCO) today announced that the board of directors of Bonneville Pacific voted unanimously on Friday, Nov. 2, 1990, to activate the previously announced (Oct. 21, 1987) stock buy back program.

"Under that program, which authorized the company to repurchase 500,000 shares

" chairman and CEO Robert L. Wood stated, "Bonneville has exercised only 100,000 of that authorization. Therefore, Friday's board action allows the company to purchase up to 400,000 common shares still remaining under the agreement." The company is authorized to purchase these shares from time to time in the OTC or private transactions subject to market and other conditions.

Bonneville Pacific, is one of the nation's leading independent power producers and developers which recently concluded a transaction in which Portland General Corp. became its largest shareholder. That transaction resulted in the company receiving additional equity and subordinated debt of $30,000,000.

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FT. LAUDERDALE, FLA. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Magnetech Corporation (NASDAQ: TAPE) today announced sales for the first fiscal quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 were up 55 percent to $744,076 from the $481,938 reported in the corresponding period in 1989.

Income from operations increased to $91,923 versus $41,115 in 1989, while net income was $63,688 for the period versus $61,182 in 1989.

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#90310p3677 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARLEYSVILLE, Pa. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - USLICO Corp. and Harleysville Group Inc. (NASDAQ: HGIC) and Harleysville Mutual Insurance Co. jointly announced today that they had terminated negotiations with respect to the acquisition by the Harleysville Companies of USLICO's subsidiary, Hawkeye-Security Insurance Co.

Negotiations for the acquisition of Harleysville Life Insurance Co. USLICO were also terminated.

The parties had announced the signing of a letter of intent in August 1990. However, they were unable to resolve a number of issues which arose during the negotiation of the definitive agreement.

Harleysville Group Inc. is a regional holding company for four property and casualty insurers whose marketing territory encompasses the entire East Coast. The companies include: Atlantic Insurance Company of Savannah, Harleysville Insurance Company of New Jersey, Huron Insurance Company and Worcester Insurance Co. Harleysville Group also manages the operations of Berkshire Mutual Insurance Group, the financial results of which are not consolidated

into Harleysville Group at the present time.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Maxwell, chairman, announced that Berlitz International, Inc.'s (NYSE: BTZ) third quarter 1990 sales of services and products rose 20.6 percent to a record $64.1 million, compared to $53.2 million for the same period in 1989. Operating income for the quarter rose 25.1 percent to $6.4 million compared to $5.2 million in 1989.

Lesson volume increases in almost all countries, including an increase of over 14 percent in North America, continued to be offset by reduced volume in Brazil and a lower level of lessons for the German Resettlers program. Excluding Brazil, third quarter lesson volume increased 4.1 percent. Berlitz opened three new language centers during the quarter, two in Europe and one in Latin America.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, sales were $188.0 million in 1990, up 17.9 percent from $159.4 million in 1989. For the nine months, operating income grew 13.4 percent to $19.8 million in 1990 from $17.4 million in 1989. Through third quarter, lesson volume increased 3.7 percent versus 1989. Excluding Brazil, the volume increase was 7.2 percent for the nine month period.

During September, Berlitz completed, for $1.2 million, the acquisition of Able Translations Ltd. of Baldock, England. Able provides translation, interpretation and related services to major commercial customers. This acquisition is part of Berlitz' long-term strategy of expanding worldwide translation operations, and Able provides production capability and market presence in the key European market of translations into and from the English language.

Net income for the quarter was $5.7 million as compared to $3.0 million in 1989. After providing for the preferred stock dividend of $3.0 million, third quarter net income available to common shareholders was $2.7 million and earnings per common share was $.14. In 1989, net income available to common shareholders for the same period was $3.0 million and earnings per common share was $.16. The increase in operating income during the quarter was offset by interest expense on long-term debt and increased tax provisions.

Net income for the nine months was $17.2 million as compared to $10.6 million in 1989. After providing for the preferred stock dividend, net income available to common shareholders was $8.3 million and earnings per common share was $.44 for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990. In 1989, net

income available to common shareholders for the same period was $10.6 million and earnings per common share was $.56. The reduction in earnings per share is again due to increased interest expense and tax provisions, partially offset by increased operating income.

Berlitz is the premier language services firm providing instruction and translation services through 279 language centers in 25 countries throughout the world. The company also publishes Berlitz pocket travel guides, and foreign language phrase books and home-study materials.

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#90310p3693 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Telefonica de Espana, S.A. (NYSE: TEF), one of Spain's largest companies and the world's ninth largest telecommunications company, today reported record earnings and revenues for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Cumulative results of Telefonica up to Sept. 30, 1990, reflect the consistent pace of investment developed by Telefonica with a capital expenditure figure in fixed assets of 449,272 million pesetas, 33.5 percent more than the already high figure for September 1989. As a result, gross lines in service (before cancellations) grew by 9.6 percent with a significant reduction in the waiting list of 22.3 percent compared with the same period in the previous fiscal year.

Operating revenue grew by 19 percent to 613,436 million pesetas for the first nine months of 1990.

Net income reached 56,488 million pesetas after providing for corporate income tax, representing an 18.5 percent rise over the previous year. Gross cash flow reached 282,964 million pesetas, a 13.6 percent increase over the same period in 1989. Earnings per share grew by 18 percent and cash flow per share increased by 13.3 percent.

Under U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), net income was $1,298.3 million or equal to $4.20 per ADR (American Depository Receipts) for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to $3.11 per ADR for the same period last year.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunex Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNX) today received

U.S. patent 4,968,607 covering technologies for making genetically engineered Interleukin-1 receptor (IL-1R), a protein which may have therapeutic value in the treatment of organ transplant rejection, graft versus host disease, rheumatoid arthritis and diabetes, the company said.

IL-1R interrupts the action of Interleukin-1 (IL-1), a family of cytokines (or proteins) which play an important role in the regulation of immune and inflammatory responses. IL-1 can also trigger undesirable immune responses which can damage certain body cells and tissues. For example, the presence of IL-1 in joints may result in production of enzymes which destroy joint tissue. IL-1 may also affect pancreatic cells and lead to inadequate insulin production and the development of diabetes. Immunex scientists Steven Dower, Carl March, John Sims and David Urdal, the inventors of the technologies described in the patent, altered the IL-1R gene to produce a soluble receptor molecule which binds to IL-1 and helps prevent its harmful action.

The IL-1R patent, which was granted today by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, covers recombinant DNA technologies for producing mammalian IL-1R, including DNA sequences encoding human IL-1R and methods of making recombinant IL-1R molecules.

"Immunex is clearly the dominant player in the development and use of cytokine receptors for the treatment of inflammatory disease," said Stephen Duzan, Immunex chairman and chief executive officer. "IL-1 receptor represents an unique and promising approach to controlling the root causes of excessive immune response."

Immunex has licensed IL-1R exclusively to Receptech Corp. (NASDAQ: RECP) for human therapeutic applications and clinical evaluation. Receptech was formed in 1989 to accelerate development, begun by Immunex, of certain soluble cytokine receptor products. Receptech will pay Immunex to conduct research and initial clinical development of IL-1R.

"This patent is an important milestone in our commercial development of soluble cytokine receptors as human therapeutics," said Scott Hallquist, Immunex senior vice president and general counsel.

Immunex is a leading biotechnology company focused on the research, development, manufacture and marketing of immunological therapeutic products.

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FREMONT, CALIF. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Logitech is now shipping Modern Art, an electronic clip-art collection for the IBM PC and compatibles that offer

300 dpi images available in five volumes: People, Places & Things; Business & Professional; Holiday & Special Occasion; Sports, Recreation & Travel; and Newsletters, Symbols & Borders. Like other Logitech products, Modern Art is being sold through national and regional distributors, as well as major computer specialty and consumer electronics chains at a suggested retail price of $39 per volume.

Modern Art can be used in all popular desktop publishing, word processing, and graphics programs that accept one of the following graphics file formats: .TIF (compressed and uncompressed), .PCX, .IMG, .EPS, .MSP, and .BMP. The appropriate file format is selected during installation; however, additional installations using different file formats are possible. An image resolution of 300 dpi enables users to take advantage of the highest resolution possible on most printers. The package can also be used effectively on lower resolution- and dot matrix printers.

Modern Art is expected to benefit from two current market trends: Continuing solid growth in the graphics-based software industry and the increase in high-end word processing packages capable of importing graphics, such as Microsoft Word and WordPerfect. For example, BIS CAP International, an independent industry research firm, estimates that 1.8 million PC-based high-end word processing packages will be sold during 1990.

Headquartered in Fremont, and publicly traded in Switzerland, Logitech designs manufactures, and markets desktop tools -- a product category that includes pointing devices, hand-held scanners, and software applications.

Microsoft is a registered trademark of the Microsoft Corp. WordPerfect is a registered trademark of the WordPerfect Corp.

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HARRISBURG, PA. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - A judge has ordered a Wilkes-Barre home-improvement contractor to pay nearly $29,000 in restitution and civil penalties following a hearing on suit filed by Attorney General Ernie Preate Jr.'s Bureau of Consumer Protection.

Preate identified the contractor as Thomas Trevethan, who works from his home at 47 Eagle Court, Wilkes-Barre.

The bureau in January filed a suit in Luzerne County Common Pleas Court charging that Trevethan took payments from consumers for various home-improvement projects but failed to complete the contracted work.

Work that was completed was done in a shoddy manner, the suit alleged. Three Luzerne County consumers who filed complaints with the bureau testified Thursday (Nov. 1) during a hearing in Luzerne County Court before Visiting Senior Judge Donald O'Malley.

In an order received by the bureau this week, Judge O'Malley directed Trevethan to pay a total of $25,959 in restitution to the three consumers and $3,000 in civil penalties to the state.

Deputy Attorney General J.P. McGowan, attorney-in-charge of the bureau's Scranton office, represented the Commonwealth at the hearing.

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BURBANK, CA (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - CII Financial Inc., (AMEX: CII) continuing its strong growth trend for the year, achieved significantly higher net income in both its third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the third quarter, net income climbed 134 percent to $1,758,000 from $750,000 in the like period one year ago. Primary and fully diluted earnings per share increased 28 percent to 32 cents from 25 cents a year ago, reflecting the more than 86 percent increase in weighted outstanding shares due to the company's initial public offering in March 1990. Primary weighted shares outstanding were 5,489,735 in the latest quarter, compared to 2,943,560 for the period a year ago.

Revenues for the third quarter advanced 61 percent to $22,926,000 from $14,220,000 in the same three months last year.

For the nine months, net income increased 139 percent to $4,319,000 from $1,805,000 in the same period last year. Primary earnings per share increased 26 percent to 88 cents, from 70 cents in the corresponding period a year ago, again reflecting the greater number of shares.

Revenues for the nine months rose 61 percent to $58,607,000 from $36,484,000 in the first nine months of 1989.

CII Financial Inc. is an insurance holding company, whose largest subsidiary is California Indemnity Insurance Co (CIIC). Through CIIC, the company is engaged in writing workers' compensation insurance in the state of California. CIIC, commenced business in 1988, services workers' compensation accounts of all size levels but concentrates on small- to medium-size companies with annual premiums of less than $50,000. Based in Burbank, CIIC serves Northern California through its Sacramento regional office. Policies are sold through

a network of approximately 350 independent insurance agents and brokers in the state of California.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Immune Response Corp. (IRC) (NASDAQ: IMNR) today announced a net profit of $310,000, or $.03 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $1,048,000, or $.14 per share, recorded in the third quarter of 1989. Contract research revenue for the third quarter was $893,000 vs. $760,000 in the same period in 1989, and interest income increased to $685,000 from $171,000 in the prior year's third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, contract research revenues were $3,195,000, compared to $2,381,000 for the same period last year. Net profit of $400,000, or $.04 per share, compares to a net loss of $2,999,000, or $.41 per share, during 1989.

As was the case in the second quarter, the operating profit reported for this quarter is expected to be temporary and resulted from higher investment income and the allocation to Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. (RPR) (NYSE: RPR) of all $1,189,000 of expenses incurred in the quarter by the IRC/RPR joint venture in AIDS research.

During the quarter, the company announced the beginning of a Food and Drug Administration-approved nationwide Phase II/III clinical study using its HIV Immunotherapeutic.

The Immune Response Corp. is a biopharmaceutical company engaged in the development of proprietary products for the treatment of HIV infection, which leads to AIDS, and for the treatment of certain autoimmune diseases, specifically rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis and insulin-dependent diabetes.

THE IMMUNE RESPONSE CORP.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	Sept. 30, 1990 (unaudited)	Dec. 31, 1989
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$3,375,569	$6,807,341
Short-term investments	25,022,794	--
Research contract receivable from a related party	892,531	622,166
Note receivable	--	1,000,000
Other current assets	643,701	413,688

Total current assets	29,934,595	8,843,195
Property and equipment, net	2,386,151	221,056
Deposits and other assets	482,583	343,254
Lease deposit in escrow	408,847	--
Investment in joint venture	723,719	571,482
Total	$33,935,895	$9,978,987
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	$286,647	$326,599
Accrued expenses	89,153	46,539
Total current liabilities	375,800	373,138
Stockholders' equity:		
Convertible preferred stock, $.001 par value, 11 million shares authorized	--	7,839
Common stock, $.0025 par value, 25 million shares authorized, 11,009,582 and 4,899,712 shares issued and outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990 and Dec. 31, 1989, respectively	27,524	12,249
Paid in capital	40,983,284	17,419,566
Accumulated deficit	(7,450,713)	(7,833,805)
Total stockholders' equity	33,560,095	9,605,849
Total	$33,935,895	$9,978,987

THE IMMUNE RESPONSE CORP.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Contract research revenue under a collaborative arrangement with a related party	$892,531	$759,765	$3,194,654	$2,380,718
Expenses:				
Research and development	1,009,120	874,448	3,468,522	2,517,199
General and administrative	294,670	269,475	806,187	768,614
Total	1,303,790	1,143,923	4,274,709	3,285,813
Other revenue and expenses:				
Interest income	685,419	171,016	1,327,610	551,514
Equity in operations of joint venture	35,764	(835,310)	152,237	(2,645,387)
Total	721,183	(664,294)	1,479,847	(2,093,873)
Net income (loss)	$309,924	($1,048,452)	$399,792	($2,998,968)
Net income (loss)				

per share	$.03	($.14)	$.04	($.41)
Shares used in computing net income (loss) per share	11,141,802	7,235,840	9,645,273	7,301,583

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#90310p3706 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LEE, N.J. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - A. L. Laboratories, Inc. (NYSE: BMD), today reported that for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income increased 30.5 percent to $3,651,000 compared with $2,798,000 in the prior year. Fully diluted per share earnings increased 24 percent to $0.31 versus $0.25 in the same quarter of 1989. Revenues for the third quarter increased to $70,125,000 from the $65,132,000 reported in 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 22.9 percent to $9,742,000 from $7,929,000 in the comparable period of the prior year. Fully diluted per share earnings increased 18.3 percent to $0.84 from $0.71 in the same 1989 period. Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 rose to $204,279,000 from the $202,133,000 reported in 1989.

Commenting on the results, I. Roy Cohen, president and chief executive officer stated, "Animal health revenue and operating income showed healthy increases for the third quarter and nine month periods. At the same time, pharmaceutical revenue and operating profit increased for the third quarter and nine months. NMC Laboratories, Inc., acquired in August 1990, added positively to revenues and operating income as expected. The gains in the pharmaceutical business were achieved despite FDA-delayed new product approvals, and at a time when, in order to meet our strict quality standards, several important Barre products have voluntarily been withheld from marketing by our own regulatory people pending supplemental ANDA approvals. Lack of availability of these products in total have resulted in a loss of anticipated sales.

"During the third quarter we continued our emphasis on gross profit improvement. This effort, coupled with our planned de-emphasis on lower gross profit products, resulted in significant gross margin percentage increases for the three- and nine-month periods."

A. L. Laboratories is a multinational manufacturer and marketer of specialized value-added branded pharmaceuticals and animal health micronutrients, with plant sites in Chicago Heights, Ill.; Niagara Falls and Glendale, N.Y.; Baltimore, Md.; Bellevue, Wash.; Copenhagen, Denmark; and Jakarta, Indonesia.

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#90310p3709 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
RICHMOND, VA. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Circuit City Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CC) today announced October sales of $173.0 million, which represents a 10 percent increase from October 1989 sales of $158.0 million and a 7 percent decrease in comparable store sales.

"We were disappointed by the October results, which primarily reflect consumer uncertainty about the economic environment," said Richard L. Sharp, Circuit City's president and chief executive officer.

"We continued our expansion program during the month with the opening of eight Superstores, including a six-store entry into St. Louis, Mo. Grand opening for this market began in mid- October and sales have significantly exceeded our expectations," Sharp said. In October, Circuit City also opened its twenty- sixth Superstore in the greater Los Angeles market and replaced a consumer electronics-only store with a Superstore in Washington, D.C.

Circuit City Stores, Inc. is the nation's largest specialty retailer of brand-name consumer electronics and major appliances. With headquarters in Richmond, Va., it operates 146 Superstores, 15 Circuit City stores and eight Impulse mall stores in the eastern, midwestern and western United States.

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#90310p3711 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
TAYLOR, MICH. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Net sales for Masco Corporation (NYSE: MAS) for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $807 million, a 2-percent increase from the 1989 third quarter. Increased sales of kitchen, bathroom and home furnishings products contributed to third-quarter results.

Net income for the third quarter declined 32 percent to $42.3 million from $62.4 million in the comparable 1989 quarter, with earnings per share declining 30 percent to $.28 from $.40. Earnings were negatively impacted by: a reduced level of consumer spending, lower equity earnings of affiliated companies and significant costs related to new product expansion and profit enhancement programs.

The company believes that near-term results will continue to be adversely affected by these factors as well as the effect on consumer spending due to the uncertainties related to the Middle East situation and the economic outlook in general. Longer term, the softening of the economy should result in lower interest rates which will significantly improve the prospects for many of our markets. The company believes that this improvement, when combined with the growth opportunities resulting from recent major investments

in the home furnishings industry, should provide a sound basis for well-above-average growth in the future.

Masco Corporation manufacturers building, home improvement and home furnishings products for the home and family.

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#90310p3712 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - United HealthCare Corporation (NASDAQ: UNIH) today announced record revenues and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Third Quarter Results

Revenues for the third quarter were $156.8 million, a 48.9 percent increase over the same period one year ago. Net earnings of $9.2 million were up 150 percent over earnings for the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share were $0.31, compared with $0.16 for last year's third quarter. Nine Months

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $437.0 million, up 43.7 percent from the same period in 1989. Net earnings totalled $23.7 million, a 166.3 percent increase over net earnings for the first nine months of last year. Earnings per share were $0.85, compared with per-share earnings of $0.41 for the first nine months of 1989.

President and Chief Operating Officer William W. McGuire, M.D., said that United's revenues, earnings, and key indicators in the areas of enrollment, medical costs and SG&A show healthy growth and effective cost controls for the third quarter, with continuing strong performance:

-- Combined SG&A costs (total selling, general and administrative expenses for all of the company's owned and managed HMOs as a percent of their combined premium revenues) remained stable at 9.8 percent for the third quarter.

-- The company's health plan medical loss ratio (medical costs as a percent of premium revenues) decreased to 84.2 percent from 84.9 percent for the preceding quarter.

-- Enrollment in the company's HMOs rose 3.1 percent in the third quarter, to 1,194,600. "We're very pleased with this growth during what is traditionally a slow sales period," Dr. McGuire said.

-- The number of lives served by United's specialty companies grew 15.3 percent in the third quarter, to 5,734,000. Dr. McGuire said that additional contracts are now signed which will increase this total to at least 7,430,000 by Dec. 31, 1990.

-- Shareholders' equity stood at $137.2 million on Sept. 30, a 127.4 percent increase over Dec. 31, 1989.

United HealthCare Corporation is a national leader in health care cost management, serving both the providers and purchasers of health care since 1974.

The company's services include HMOs, PPOs, multiple option and point of service plans, pharmaceutical cost management, managed mental health and substance abuse services, utilization management, workers compensation/casualty services, specialized provider networks, employee assistance services, Medicare and managed care programs for the aged, health care evaluation services, and administrative services.

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CERRITOS, CALIF. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Cardis Corp. (OTC), in a presentation before the Automotive Warehouse Distributors Association annual conference in Las Vegas, said sales for the five months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $34.7 million compared with $35.6 million for the comparable prior year.

Kenneth D. Walker, Cardis president and chief executive officer, also said net operating income for the five month period advanced to $94,200 from a loss of $1.3 million in the comparable prior year. Cardis reduced its net loss for the five months to $1.6 million from $1.8 million.

Walker stated that the net loss for the most recent period reflected approximately $2 million of interest expense compared with virtually no interest expense a year ago, when the company was operating under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. With Cardis' emergence from bankruptcy in December 1989, interest payments on the debt are now being charged to operations at contractual rates.

Speaking before suppliers, Walker said, "We are gratified with the significant headway we have made since Cardis re-emerged from bankruptcy, but we still have a long way to go. However, we are blessed with an experienced management team, dedicated operating personnel throughout the company and the continued support of our valued customers and suppliers."

Cardis Corp. currently operates nine warehouse distribution centers and 22 retail stores located throughout California.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - CBL Medical Inc. (NASDAQ: CBLM) announced today results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the third quarter is $267,837, up 23 percent over the third quarter, 1989 net income of $217,214. Revenues for the third quarter 1990 are $1,600,308 compared with $1,532,147 for the third quarter 1989. Earnings per share, third quarter 1990 are $.18 on 1,529,604 shares while third quarter 1989 were $.18 on 1,200,000 shares.

In comparing nine months of operations, net income is $579,327, up 30 percent over the same period of the prior year's net income of $444,250. Revenues for the nine months are up 13 percent to $4,650,359 compared to $4,103,025. Earnings per share for the nine months of 1990 are $.36 based on 1,651,413 shares compared to $.37 on 1,200,000 for the prior year.

In comparing the third quarter 1990 to the second quarter 1990, net income increased by 107 percent on a three percent increase in revenues. Earnings per share for the third quarter 1990 are $.18 compared to $.07 for the second quarter 1990.

Robert B. Mishkin, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated: "The third quarter results demonstrate the company's ability to increase revenues without a corresponding increase in costs. In fact, we were able to reduce certain expenses allowing us to increase our profit margins.

"Although there are indications of a recession which may be affecting other industries, the company continues to experience an increase in patient referrals and revenues. Typically, occupational injury claims do not decrease during recessionary periods and indeed they often increase." Mishkin also stated, "Based on nine months of operations, the company continues to expect approximately $900,000 of net income for 1990."

CBL Medical Inc. operates medical centers specializing in forensic reporting and in the treatment of patients with employment related injuries.

CBL MEDICAL INC. CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	Three months ended Sept. 30		Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,600,308	$1,532,147	$4,650,359	$4,103,025
Net income	$267,837	$217,214	$579,327	$444,250
Net income per share	$0.18	$0.18	$0.36	$0.37

Average Number of shares outstanding	1,495,075	1,200,000	1,651,413	1,200,000

As of Sept. 30, 1990, there were 1,394,360 shares actually issued and outstanding.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Browning-Ferris Industries, Inc. (NYSE: BFI) today reported that earnings for the quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, include special charges of $67,100,000 (an after-tax charge of 27 cents per share) related to the settlement of litigation and the provision of additional reserves principally related to market development projects.

Including these special charges, income from continuing operations for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $32,711,000, or 21 cents per share (48 cents per share before special charges). These results compare with the restated operating results for the comparable prior year period, which reflect income from continuing operations of $77,222,000, or 51 cents per share. Revenues for the fourth quarter were $794 million as compared to $698 million for the fourth quarter of the prior fiscal year.

Since the impact of the company's decision to discontinue its hazardous waste operations was reflected in the second quarter's results, the net income and related earnings per share amounts for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 are the same as those reported from continuing operations. Net income in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989 was $72,952,000, or 48 cents per share.

Income from continuing operations for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $256,786,000 or $1.68 per share on revenues of $2,967 million. These results compare with the restated operating results for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1989, which reflect income from continuing operations of $278,065,000, or $1.84 per share on revenues of $2,491 million. The net loss for the current fiscal year of $44,743,000, or 29 cents per share, includes the $295,000,000 charge for discontinued operations that was reflected in the results for the second quarter. These results compare with net income for the prior fiscal year of $262,555,000, or $1.74 per share.

The number of common and equivalent shares used to compute net income (loss) per share for fiscal 1990 was 153,246,000 versus 151,064,000 shares for fiscal 1989.

In addition to the special charges, several factors contributed to the decline in earnings in the fourth quarter, including weakening economic conditions in

certain major markets, and reduced volumes and higher operating costs at a number of the company's landfills. Other factors included higher fuel costs for nearly 10,000 vehicles and increased interest expense. The company anticipates that these factors will continue to bear upon the results of continuing operations during fiscal 1991.

The suits were filed on behalf of all commercial purchasers of containerized waste collection and disposal services of the two firms between January 1978 and June 1987, and sought to recover unspecified compensatory damages. While the company and the other defendant in the lawsuit, Waste Management, Inc., vigorously deny any liability or wrongdoing, to avoid the expenses and uncertainty of what would have been a protracted jury trial, they have each entered into proposed settlements aggregating a total of $50 million to settle the case. The proposed distribution of the settlement amounts, not yet approved by the court, would allocate Waste Management's settlement to approximately 13 areas in the country, and the company's settlement amount throughout the U.S. to discharge the claims of all members of the class whose claims are approved. In the company's judgment, because of the provisions of a joint defense agreement between the parties (which are usual in these types of cases), it is expected that the ultimate financial impact on each defendant of this settlement will be approximately the same.

Commenting on the proposed settlements, with the plan of distribution of the settlement fund still being subject to approval by the Court, Howard Hoover, Jr., General Counsel of BFI, said "The pending settlements are compromises of vigorously disputed claims and in no way are they to be taken as an admission of any wrongdoing on the part of BFI, or that liability would have been found against either defendant.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Repligen Corporation (NASDAQ: RGEN) today reported financial results for the fiscal 1991 second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter were $2,540,000 and expenses were $3,896,000, resulting in a net loss of $1,356,000, or 15 cents per share. The comparable figures for last year's second quarter were $3,151,000 in revenues, $3,520,000 in expenses and a loss of $369,000, or 5 cents a share.

For the six-month period, revenues of $5,169,000 and expenses of $7,807,000 resulted in a loss of $2,638,000, or 30 cents per share. In fiscal 1990, year-to-date revenues were $5,683,000 and expenses were $6,726,000 for a loss of $1,043,000, or 14 cents per share.

Repligen Corporation develops and manufactures biochemical products for the healthcare market, primarily in the areas of retrovirology and cancer. The company's headquarters and its research and production facilities are in Cambridge, Mass.

REPLIGEN CORPORATION STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/90
Revenues	$ 2,540,000	$3,151,000	$5,169,000	$5,683,000
Costs and expenses	3,896,000	3,520,000	7,807,000	6,726,000
Net loss	(1,356,000)	(369,000)	(2,638,000)	(1,043,000)
Net loss per common share	(15 cents)	(5 cents)	(30 cents)	(14 cents)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	9,234,592	7,361,004	8,844,937	7,358,133

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Teleproductions, Inc. (NASDAQ: NWTL) reports sales of $4,094,840 and net earnings of $202,106 or $.12 per share for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with sales of $3,025,425 and net earnings of $311,005 or $.19 per share for the second quarter of the prior year.

Year-to-date sales for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $8,183,105 resulted in net earnings of $653,300 or $.40 per share. Comparative results for the same period of the prior year were sales of $5,697,781 and net earnings of $561,982 or $.34 per share.

Included in year-to-date earnings is $197,000 resulting from the adoption of the new method of accounting for income taxes as required by the Financial Accounting Standards Board.

Robert Mitchell, president, commented that second quarter results were adversely effected by a operating loss of the company's Chicago subsidiary which was acquired in January 1990. Combined operating results of the company's other operations have exceeded prior year results.

Northwest Teleproductions, Inc., is a full-service videotape and film production company with facilities in Minneapolis, Dallas, Kansas City, and Chicago.

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JERICHO, NY (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - William K. Poyner has been promoted to president of Hansen Manufacturing Company, Inc., a subsidiary of IMC Magnetics Corp., it was announced today.

Poyner joined Hansen in 1974 and has served as general manager since January 1983. Prior to that, Poyner was controller from 1977 to 1982. He held managerial and financial executive posts within the company since 1975. Prior to his affiliation with the company, Poyner was with P.R. Mallory.

Poyner holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Tennessee at Martin, with a major in accounting.

Hansen Manufacturing Company, Inc., located in Princeton, Ind., is a manufacturer of hysteresis synchronous timing motors, DC motors, stepping motors and AC clock movements. Hansen employs 400 all located in the Princeton area and has achieved an annual sales volume of over $27 million.

IMC Magnetics Corp., with headquarters in Jericho, N.Y., is an international leader in motor technology, airmoving design and power conversion. The company designs, manufactures and sells specialty motors and airmovers, hysteresis synchronous timing motors, hydraulic and pneumatic components, heat dissipators and power supplies. The company also overhauls aircraft components and manufactures, distributes, services and performs maintenance on aircraft propellers.

IMC has nine operating divisions and maintains production and laboratory facilities for product evaluation, customer service, value added engineering and prototype support.

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LOWELL, MA (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Wang Laboratories, Inc., (AMEX: WAN) and Banyan Systems Inc. today disclosed a strategic business agreement that makes Wang the first global reseller of Banyan's microcomputer networking products.

Under the terms of the agreement, Wang will market, sell, service, and support Banyan's VINES network operating systems products on a worldwide basis.

"Wang and Banyan have a matching philosophy for multivendor systems integration and adherence to industry standards," said Gerry Paul, vice

president of Systems and Communications at Wang.

"Wang recognizes the complexities of the local area network market and the benefits that Banyan's VINES products offers to users. The global reseller agreement will allow us to provide our customers with superior service and support for Banyan's products on a worldwide basis."

"This relationship has important implications for both Banyan and Wang," said James D'Arezzo, vice president of marketing at Banyan. "For Banyan, it will significantly enhance VINES penetration into the world market. Wang, in turn, will gain the ability to deliver worldwide the most technologically advanced corporate-wide PC networking solution available today."

Wang Laboratories Inc., headquartered in Lowell, Mass., is a leading worldwide supplier of computer-based information processing systems including data, text image, and voice processing, as well as telecommunications and networking products.

Banyan Systems, Inc., headquartered in Westboro, Mass., is the leader in corporate-wide PC networking. Its flagship product, VINES, is a standards-based distributed network operating system for local or global internetworking of personal computers, minicomputers, and mainframes.

VINES is recognized for its ability to make multivendor networks of any size easy to use and manage. Banyan products are marketed worldwide through a network of authorized value-added resellers (VARs) and country partners.

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#90310p3730 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Chiquita Brands International, Inc. (NYSE: CQB) today reported that fully diluted earnings per share rose to a record $2.17 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, up from $1.31 earned before a special gain in 1989. Fully diluted earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 were $.05 compared to $.01 earned in 1989 before the special gain. Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, rose to a record $3.2 billion from $2.8 billion for the same period last year. Net sales for the third quarter were $1.1 billion, compared to $900 million a year ago. Fully diluted earnings per share for the nine months and quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, including a special gain of $.49 per share from the sale of the company's interest in FII-Fyffes, were $1.80 and $.50 per share.

The company attributed its improved operating results to a continuation of favorable pricing trends in its fresh food operations, particularly on the strength of sales and marketing of bananas in Europe. In commenting on the

nine month and quarterly results, Keith E. Lindner, president, indicated that the company exceeded its 1990 full year earnings objective in the first half of the year. Therefore, Chiquita has continued to increase its spending on programs to promote growth and enhance profitability for 1991 and beyond. These programs include product marketing and brand development, transportation fleet reoptimization and hedging against foreign exchange exposure.

Earnings for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 include a special gain of $.49 per share on a fully diluted basis from the sale of the company's interest in FII-Fyffes.

Shareholders' equity and book value per share increased to $569 million and $14.00 at Sept. 30, 1990 from $471 million and $12.14 at Sept. 30, 1989.

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#90310p3733 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Diamond Shamrock, Inc. (NYSE: DRM) today declared the corporation's regular quarterly dividend of 12 cents per common share, payable on Dec. 7 to stockholders of record on Nov. 20.

Diamond Shamrock, with annual sales of approximately $2.1 billion, is a regional refiner and marketer of petroleum products. The San Antonio-based corporation has two Texas refineries with a throughput capacity of 165,000 barrels per day, markets gasoline through about 2,000 Diamond Shamrock branded outlets, processes natural gas, stores natural gas liquids, and markets petrochemicals.

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#90310p3734 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCHENECTADY, N.Y. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - By developing a lamp that recycles its own previously wasted infrared energy, GE scientists have realized an old dream and achieved one of the greatest breakthroughs in incandescent-lamp efficiency since the days of Edison and Coolidge.

Working at the GE Research and Development Center in Schenectady, N.Y., and GE Lighting in Cleveland, GE scientists have pioneered the first truly practical way to coat a lamp with a selective "light filter" that lets through visible light while blocking invisible infrared (IR) light and reflecting it back onto the filament.

The reflected infrared radiation sharply lowers the amount of electrical current required to keep the filament hot enough to produce the light, resulting in energy cost savings of up to 60 percent over conventional incandescent lamps.

The technology has found its first commercial application in a new family of incandescent lamps manufactured by GE Lighting - Halogen IR (TM) PAR 38 lamps. The new lamp, available in spot and flood versions, has been in commercial production since January 1990.

A halogen lamp consists of two bulbs, one nested inside the other. The outer bulb is glass. The inner one, much smaller and made of quartz, contains a filament and an inert halogen gas. The latter counteracts evaporation of the filament at high temperatures, making possible hotter, and therefore more efficient, operation without sacrifice of lamp life. GE's IR coating is placed on the outer surface of the quartz bulb, which is precisely shaped to focus the reflected IR light onto the filament.

The result is that the new 60-watt Halogen-IR lamp can provide the same amount of useful light as a standard 90-watt halogen or a conventional 150-watt PAR (Parabolic Aluminum Reflector) floodlight. What's more, the new lamp offers 33 percent energy cost savings over a standard halogen lamp and 60 percent energy cost savings over conventional 150-watt floodlights.

CONTACT: Mike Ruggeri of GE, 518-387-6374

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#90310p3735 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - United Parcel Service (UPS) has ordered 25 additional 757 package freighters valued at approximately $1.7 billion including spares, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group confirmed today.

Fifteen of the orders were converted from options previously held by UPS, one of the largest jet cargo operators.

With this order, the UPS fleet of delivered, or on-order 757PFs, has grown to 55 airplanes. UPS also holds options on 41 additional 757PFs scheduled for delivery through 2001.

The 757PF is a windowless, dedicated freighter designed to accommodate 15 standard 88 x 125-inch (224 x 318 centimeter) cargo containers or pallets on the main deck. Its primary features include a large cargo door located on the left forward side of the fuselage and the ability to fly extended range routes, making it suitable for both domestic and international routes.

Based in Greenwich, Conn., UPS serves all 50 states and 180 countries and territories. The world's largest package delivery company, UPS delivered

approximately 2.8 billion packages and earned revenue of more than $12 billion in 1989.

Including this order, 34 customers have ordered a total of 713 757s, of which 59 are designed to carry main deck cargo.

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#90310p3739 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, NY (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Barrister Information Systems Corporation (AMEX: BIS) announced that it has received a contract from the law firm of Kitch, Saurbier, Drutchas, Wagner & Kenney, P.C. of Detroit.

The contract includes the purchase of Barrister's Advanced Law Firm Management System (ALFMS) and upgrading the firm's word processing software and hardware.

Barrister's ALFMS system consists of three modules: client management, general ledger and accounts payable. The ALFMS financial management system is based on an advanced relational data base technology, 32-bit multiprocessor architecture which allows rapid processing of law firm data. This system allows multiple users to perform concurrent data entry, validation, recording and reporting functions.

The ALFMS system will provide the firm with the information necessary to facilitate decision-making, to aid in strategic planning and handling the day to day accounting requirments with increased speed and efficiency. According to Dan Lissek, the firm's information systems manager, the upgrade was a necessary step for the management and planning requirements of the firm.

The firm is very growth oriented, and there has been a steady increase in the number of attorneys and support staff over the last two years. Kitch, Saurbier et al. has been a Barrister client since June of 1988, and has four offices in and around the city of Detroit.

Barrister's president, Henry P. Semmelhack, comments, "The receipt of this contract indicates that the momentum of ALFMS in the marketplace continues to build. We know that the market has been starved for a comprehensive, state-of-the-art solution like our product, and we are pleased to be the first to deliver that product to the legal industry."

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#90310p3740 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The appointment of James E. Pryce as general director of labor relations on the General Motors Industrial Relations Staff was announced today by Richard F. O'Brien, vice president in charge of that staff.

Pryce succeeds John D. Butler, whose appointment as vice president of personnel for GM Europe was announced on Oct. 12, 1990.

A native of Detroit, Pryce, 53, joined GM in 1964 as a labor relations representative with the former GM Assembly Division plant in Fairfax, Kan. He became a labor relations administrator at the former Fisher Body Division headquarters in Warren, Mich., in 1968 before moving to the GM Industrial Relations Staff in 1972.

Since then he has served in a variety of labor relations positions before being named director of labor, economics, wage and international labor relations administration in 1984, the position he held until his most recent appointment.

Pryce holds a bachelor's degree in economics and a law degree, both from the University of Michigan.

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#90310p3745 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLIFTON, NJ (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - LCS Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: LCSI), a direct response advertising services company, today announced financial results for the quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 as follows:

LCS INDUSTRIES, INC.

Periods ended:	Three months		Twelve months	
Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$12,152,711	$8,409,976	$40,252,228	$32,165,616
Income before taxes	221,704	282,385	195,837	820,455
Income taxes	94,000	141,000	112,000	376,000
Income before extraordinary credit	127,704	141,385	83,837	444,455
Extraordinary credit:				
Utilization of tax loss carryforward	--	18,000	--	126,000
Net income	127,704	159,385	83,837	570,455
Per share:				
Before extraord. credit	$.09	$.09	$.06	$.29
Utilization of tax loss carryforward	--	.01	--	.09

Net income	$.09	$.10	$.06	$.38
Wtd. avg. no. of shares outstanding	1,510,280	1,519,514	1,513,423	1,518,539

CONTACT: Donald L. Flamm, vice president-finance and treasurer of LCS Industries, 201-778-5588

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#90310p3747 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CONN. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Construction of a new 300,000 tons-per-year ethylene glycol plant at Prentiss, Alberta, Canada, will get under way next year under terms of a joint venture agreement involving Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc. (UCC&P); Far Eastern Textile Ltd., Taiwan; Mitsui & Co. Ltd., Japan; and Oriental Union Chemical Corporation, Taiwan.

The plant -- to be built on the same site as Union Carbide's existing ethylene glycol plant in Alberta -- is scheduled for startup during the second half of 1994. It will boost total ethylene glycol capacity at Prentiss to 600,000 tons annually. Ethylene for the plant will be supplied by Dow Chemical Canada Inc. from a new unit to be located at Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta.

The joint venture will be known as Alberta & Orient Glycol Company Limited. Union Carbide will own 50 percent of the joint venture; the remaining 50 percent will be shared equally by the other three participants.

"This venture is an integral part of our strategy to maintain and further strengthen our leadership position in the ethylene glycol business worldwide," said A. W. Lutz, president of UCC&P's industrial chemicals division. Output from the new facility will go principally to serve fast-growing Far Eastern polyester markets, he explained.

With more than 2.6 billion pounds of ethylene oxide capacity already in place, UCC&P is the world's leading producer of ethylene oxide and ethylene glycol, vital petrochemical intermediates for a wide range of end use products including antifreeze, polyester fibers, film and bottle resins.

CONTACT: L.A. Agnello, 203-794-3386, H.I. Cobert, 203-794-7027, or R.A. Seath, 416-488-1444, all for Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company

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#90310p3750 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Aaron Rents Inc. (NASDAQ: ARON), the nation's largest furniture rental and sales company, today announced that it has acquired two rent-to-own furniture stores in Atlanta and a rental store in St.

Louis as part of the company's expansion program. The company also announced the opening of a new Aaron Rent-To-Own store in Houston.

The two stores in Atlanta were acquired from American's Rent-To-Own and the store in St. Louis was acquired from Sunshine Furniture Rental Co. Inc., said R. Charles Loudermilk Sr., chairman and chief executive officer of Aaron Rents.

"The addition of these stores will make Aaron Rents the rental leader in these two major markets, consistent with our plan of concentrating efforts where we can increase market share," Loudermilk said.

"This brings to 24 the number of Aaron Rents stores now serving the growing rent-to-own niche market," Loudermilk said. "The growth of our Rent-To-Own business results from the combination of an innovative Aaron Rents marketing plan and the demand by consumers in the current economic environment."

The company's rent-to-own sales have gained strong impetus from a new "12 To Own" program permitting customers to rent with an option to buy furniture from Aaron Rents in only 12 months in contrast to the rental industry standard of 18 to 24 months.

The "12 To Own" program provides flexibility for the customer in a time of economic uncertainty, allowing a choice of keeping the furniture or turning it back in during the 12-month period.

Aaron Rents estimates that up to 40 percent of American consumers are potential rent-to-own customers. The company is developing a new television and direct mail marketing campaign for its "12 To Own" program.

Aaron Rents Inc., based in Atlanta, operates 163 stores in 50 metropolitan areas of 28 states for the sale and rental of residential and office furniture. The company produces furniture at five plants in Georgia and Florida.

CONTACT: Gilbert L. Danielson of Aaron Rents, (404) 231-0011.

-30- 2255

#90310p3752 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Emerson Electric Co. (NYSE: EMR) voted today to increase the quarterly cash dividend from 31-1/2 cents to 33 cents per share, an increase of 4.8 percent. This dividend is payable Dec. 10, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 16.

CONTACT: William K. Anderson or James R. Orso, 314-982-1700, for Emerson Electric

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#90310p3755 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
MORRIS TOWNSHIP, NJ (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Allied-Signal Inc. (NYSE: ALD) has elected Donald J. Redlinger as senior vice president - human resources, effective Jan. 1, 1991, the company announced today.

Redlinger will succeed Edwin M. Halkyard, who last February announced plans to retire at the end of this year. Halkyard will join the faculty of the University of South Carolina College of Business Administration next year.

Redlinger, 45, joined the company in 1971 and has served in a number of human resources positions at the corporate headquarters and in the company's business units. He was named staff vice president - organization planning and compensation in 1988, and earlier this year became staff vice president - human resources. Redlinger, a resident of Chatham, N.J., is a graduate of St. Francis College in Pennsylvania.

Allied-Signal is an advanced technology company with businesses in aerospace, automotive products and engineered materials.

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#90310p3756 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHARLOTTE, NC (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - United Dominion Industries (TSE, NYSE: UDI) today said it has completed the acquisition of substantially all the assets of AEP-Span from the Overhead Door Corporation. Terms of the purchase were not disclosed.

Located in Dallas, Texas, AEP-Span is a national leader in the design, manufacture and distribution of architectural metal roofing. The unit will operate as an independent division of United Dominion Buildings, which is headquartered in Memphis, Tenn.

United Dominion Industries (formerly AMCA International) serves three primary markets: non-residential construction, energy, and industrial. Principal products and services include pre-engineered buildings, construction services, steel fabrication and erection, petrochemical-related engineering services, compaction equipment, food equipment and aerospace components.

CONTACT: Robert L. Shaffer of United Dominion, (704) 347-6875.

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#90310p3758 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
LIMERICK, PA (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Teleflex Incorporated (AMEX: TFX)

announced that its board of directors took action on Nov. 5, 1990 to declare a cash dividend of thirteen and one half cents ($.13-1/2) per share on shares of common stock held of record at the close of business on Nov. 23, 1990. The dividend is payable Dec. 14, 1990.

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#90310p3759 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, ALA. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - HealthSouth Rehabilitation Corp. (NYSE: HRC) has announced the opening of a new outpatient rehabilitation center in Denver, according to Richard M. Scrushy, chairman of the board, president and CEO.

The center will specialize in rehabilitation for people who suffer neck and back injuries.

"The new HealthSouth Spine & Rehabilitation Center marks our 39th outpatient facility in our 21-state network of 51 locations," said Scrushy. "We have operated a work hardening and general rehabilitation center in Glendale since 1986."

Ranked for its second year among Inc. magazine's 100 fastest-growing small public companies, and featured recently in Forbes and Fortune, Birmingham-based HealthSouth is one of the nation's largest independent providers of medical and physical rehabilitation services.

HealthSouth's comprehensive programs include head and spinal cord injury rehabilitation, industrial rehabilitation or work hardening, sports medicine and general rehabilitation following strokes, amputations and neuromuscular disease.

CONTACT: Richard M. Scrushy, chairman of the board, president and CEO of HealthSouth Rehabilitation, 205-967-7116

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#90310p3760 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

KENT, WA (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Flow International Corporation (NASDAQ: FLOW) announced today it has discontinued its efforts to locate a buyer for the company as a whole.

Lloyd Andrews, chairman of Flow's Merger & Acquisition Committee, stated "These efforts have not resulted in proposals that represent sufficient value for the company's shareholders." He added that the company will continue to seek strategic partners in key markets around the world, while focusing on the long-term growth of the company.

Dr. Y. H. Michael Pao, chairman, president and CEO of the company said, "Despite the weak economic conditions, we are optimistic about the long-term growth and profitability of the company. We have a strong management team in place. All of our divisions are now profitable, including HydroMilling Services and Flow Asia."

Furthermore, Pao said, "We plan to expand our waterjet systems business worldwide. In addition, we plan to enhance the productivity of our HydroMilling fleet this winter, and to increase the HydroMilling services business next year by 50 percent."

Flow International is the world's leader ultrahigh-pressure waterjets for industrial cutting and HydroMilling services.

CONTACT: Dr. Y. H. Michael Pao or Karen Larsen of Flow International, (206) 872-4900; or Anthony J. Russo or Claudia Mueller of Noonan/Russo Communications, (212) 979-9180, for Flow International.

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#90310p3766 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEARWATER, FL (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Fortune Financial Group, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FORF) today reported a net loss of $5.5 million for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $6.7 million in 1989. The loss per share was $1.27 in 1990 compared to $1.48 in 1989. For the fourth quarter, Fortune reported a net loss of $5.2 million or $1.18 per share, compared with a $5.1 million net loss or $1.12 per share in 1989.

The flagship company Fortune Savings Bank earned $4.3 million after taxes in 1990, before special provisions related to non-banking activities, compared to $437,000 in 1989.

In releasing year-end results, Chairman John R. Torell III stated: "The bank was profitable for the year but the non-bank activities were not. Therefore, we have determined that it is in the best interests of our stockholders to eliminate non-depository activities altogether and concentrate future business solely in the traditional banking arena. The result of these actions will be immediate, and both the holding company and the bank should be profitable going forward."

During the fourth quarter, the company recognized a $7.8 million provision for loan loss as a result of its loans to Golf Car Systems, Inc. As a result of this action, Fortune will not recognize Golf Car System's operating results in its financial statements in future periods. In addition to the fourth quarter provision, Fortune recognized $2.6 million in losses during the year as a result of Golf Car's operations.

Fortune's interest rate spread improved to 1.61 percent in 1990 from 1.27 percent in 1989 resulting in a significant increase in net interest income to $52.3 million in 1990 compared with $44 million in 1989.

This is due to the stable yield of Fortune's adjustable rate mortgage portfolio, while conservative deposit pricing and lower market rates helped reduce the cost of funds.

The spread for the quarter ended Sept. 30 increased to 1.82 percent from 1.30 percent for the same period in 1989 and 1.66 percent for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Total other income was $6.2 million during 1990, compared to $7.1 million in 1989. The reduction was due to a combination of factors, including decreases in the volume of loans and mortgage loan servicing sold, an increase in the gain on sale of fixed assets and a decrease in losses on securities transactions. General and administrative expenses were held under tight control, growing only 1.2 percent year over year.

Total classified assets decreased to $92.5 million from $116.2 million at June 30, 1990. Classified assets at Sept. 30, 1989 were $84 million. Torell added, "We have also made good progress in returning loans to an earning status, particularly in the last quarter."

The company's assets totaled $3 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990, down from $3.2 billion a year earlier. The reductions are in line with Fortune's strategic approach to constrain the growth of the balance sheet. Fortune Savings Bank continues to exceed all present capital requirements under federal regulations established last year.

Tangible, core and risk-based capital were 3.6 percent, 3.9 percent and 7.4 percent, respectively, at Sept. 30, compared to current requirements of 1.5 percent, 3 percent and 6.4 percent. The risk-based requirement increases to 7.2 percent on Jan. 1, 1991.

In October, Fortune also announced an agreement to swap its six branches on the East Coast of Florida, with $210 million in deposits, in exchange for 15 branches and $515 million in deposits in Pasco and Pinellas counties. There will be no loan or investment assets purchased.

Management stated at the time that the transaction would improve the efficiency and profitability of Fortune's core business; the excess deposits will be used to reduce borrowed funds so that Fortune's balance sheet will exhibit no growth as a result of the transaction. Consummation of the agreement is subject to regulatory approval.

The number of shares of Fortune Financial outstanding at the end of the year was 4,351,978 compared to 4,538,710 in 1989. The reduction was the direct

result of the recapture of shares held as collateral on a troubled loan. The common stock of Fortune Financial Group is traded on the NASDAQ National Market system under the symbol "FORF."

FORTUNE FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

(In thousands)	SEPT. 30, 1990	SEPT. 30, 1989
Total assets	$3,064,097	$3,247,280
Mortgage loans	2,279,435	2,288,934
Commercial loans	194,075	244,818
Consumer loans	253,414	298,366
Allowance for loan losses	8,764	10,415
Investments	162,663	217,401
Deposit accounts	2,243,038	2,220,415
FHLB advances	36,850	185,100
Other borrowings	586,335	619,176
Stockholders' equity	124,846	131,282
Stockholders' equity per share	28.70	28.92
COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,351,978	4,538,710

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Twelve Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Interest Income before Provision for Loan Losses	$14,010	$10,781	$52,304	$44,020
Provision for Loan Loss	11,752	5,520	15,803	11,537
Net Interest Income	2,258	5,261	36,501	32,483
Other Income	1,668	1,653	6,599	7,869
Gains on sales of loans	2	415	401	1,209
Gains on sale of mortgage loan servicing	10	78	10	1,331
Gain on sale of fixed assets	252	--	1,712	243
Gain (losses) on securities transactions	(13)	76	(765)	(3,227)
Income (loss) from real estate operations	(440)	322	(1,740)	(355)
Loss of unconsolidated subsidiary	--	(1,927)	(2,584)	(2,217)
Other expenses	(11,738)	(11,327)	(47,158)	(46,587)
Income (Loss) before income taxes	(8,001)	(5,449)	(7,024)	(9,251)

Income tax expense (benefit)	(2,832)	(334)	(1,483)	(2,505)
Net income (loss)	$ (5,169)	$ (5,115)	$ (5,541)	$ (6,746)
Earnings (loss) per share	$ (1.18)	$ (1.12)	$ (1.27)	$ (1.48)
Average Shares Outstanding	4,351,003	4,571,042	4,355,760	4,572,677

YIELDS EARNED AND RATES PAID

A summary of yields earned on loans and investments, and rates paid on deposits and borrowings follows:

	Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Weighted average yield on:		
Loans	9.89 pct.	10.08 pct.
Investments	7.67	9.00
COMBINED	9.77	10.01
Weighted average rates paid on:		
Deposits	7.78	8.45
Borrowings	8.43	9.26
COMBINED	7.92	8.66
SPREAD	1.85 pct.	1.35 pct.

	For the Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		For the Twelve Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Weighted average yield on:				
Loans	9.97 pct.	10.13 pct.	9.96 pct.	9.83 pct.
Investments	7.89	9.13	8.17	9.26
COMBINED	9.82	10.05	9.83	9.78
Weighted averge rates paid on:				
Deposits	7.86	8.50	7.99	8.17
Borrowings	8.62	9.41	8.89	9.45
COMBINED	8.00	8.75	8.22	8.51
SPREAD	1.82 pct.	1.30 pct.	1.61 pct.	1.27 pct.

CONTACT: Tom Myers of Fortune Financial Group, (813) 538-1114.

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TROY, Mich. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - OIS Optical Imaging Systems, Inc. (OTC: OVON) (OIS) filed today a Form 8-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission following an agreement with William Manning to convert $2,500,000 of his 10 percent convertible notes due April 1999 to 1,250,000 shares of Series A preferred stock.

As a result of the $2,500,000 increase in equity, OIS is able to comply with the NASD minimum Capital and Surplus requirement necessary for continued inclusion of OIS Common Stock on the NASDAQ system.

OIS develops flat panel electronic displays and electronic imaging and scanning systems. Currently, OIS is focusing its proprietary display technology on avionic and military applications in order to become a leading U.S.-based manufacturer of flat panel displays.

CONTACT: Joseph Ben-Gal of OIS Optical Imaging Systems, Inc., 313-362-2738

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#90310p3772 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHAPEL HILL, NC (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Kenan Transport Company (NASDAQ: KTCO) today reported results for the third quarter of 1990.

Revenue for the third quarter of 1990 was $11,947,000, a $784,000 and 7 percent increase over the third quarter of 1989. Net income was $432,000, a decrease of $118,000 and 21 percent. Earnings per share were $.18 compared to $.23.

Revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 was $35,598,000, a $1,430,000 and 4 percent increase over the same nine months in 1989. Net income was $1,233,000, a decrease of $534,000 and 30 percent. Earnings per share were $.52 compared to $.75.

Operating results for the quarter, as well as the first nine months, continued to be affected by adjustments to reserves for accidents and workers' compensation claims that reduced third quarter net income by $140,000. Increased worker's compensation costs are being driven by higher medical costs and larger compensation awards by the Workers Compensation Commissions in the states in which we operate. Action has been taken by management to focus additional personnel and attention on the key risk factors driving up claims costs. Because some of the factors that are driving up insurance and claims costs are outside of management's control, we are seeking higher freight rates from our customers.

Revenue grew in the third quarter as we added additional customers to our petroleum transportation operations. Fuel surcharges were implemented to compensate for rapidly rising diesel prices as a result of the Middle-East crisis.

	QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30	
	1990	1989
Revenue	$11,947,000	$11,163,000
Net Income	$ 432,000	$ 550,000
Earnings Per Share	$ .18	$ .23

	SIX MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30	
	1990	1989
Revenue	$35,598,000	$34,168,000
Net Income	$ 1,233,000	$ 1,767,000
Earnings Per Share	$ .52	$ .75

CONTACT: William L. Boone, Vice President-Finance, Kenan Transport Company, 919-967-8221

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FORT WORTH, TX (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Snyder Oil Corporation ("SOCO")(NYSE: SNY) announced today a series of ventures which will substantially increase the level of its exploration and development activities. The projects are designed to expand the company's production and add to its reserve base in light of higher energy prices.

Late last week, SOCO committed to purchase one-half of over 70,000 net undeveloped acres in Weld County, Colorado from Amoco Production Company. The purchase is being made simultaneously with the purchase of the other half of the acreage by HS resources, Inc., a privately held oil company in San Francisco. The acreage, all of which is held by production, is located in the area of SOCO's greatest concentration of operations and is highly prospective for conventional development of the Codell and Niobrara formations. Detailed engineering has not been completed on the property. However, SOCO believes the purchase will add a minimum of 300 locations to its inventory of development drilling sites. It is anticipated that a significant proportion of the associated reserves will be classified as proved undeveloped by SOCO's independent petroleum consultants at year-end. The purchase is expected to close in mid-November and drilling should be initiated in early 1991. Plans are currently being developed which would provide for drilling in excess of 100 vertical wells in the course of 1991. The acreage may also prove prospective for horizontal drilling.

Separately, SOCO indicated that it had formed two additional joint ventures to exploit horizontal drilling technology in the Niobrara Chalk formation of northern Colorado. A subsidiary of a large Australian company has purchased a 50 percent interest in SOCO's Lowry and Sanborn Projects and entered into agreements to pursue their evaluation. The projects encompass approximately 39,000 net acres. They will be operated by SOCO in much the same manner as the Pawnee Project, which was announced 60 days ago. Seismic work will commence shortly and drilling should be initiated in early 1991.

Finally, SOCO announced that drilling on its Willet 2H well, located in the Silo Field of Laramie County, Wyoming had been completed. The well reached a total depth of 11,111 feet, including approximately 3,700 feet of horizontal departure, a horizontal drilling record in the Niobrara. A 24-hour initial

potential test will be conducted in approximately two weeks after installation of pumping equipment. To date, swab testing has yielded production rates of 20-30 barrels of oil per hour.

SOCO is an independent oil company engaged in the acquisition, production, development and exploration of oil and gas properties and in natural gas processing and transportation.

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ST. LOUIS (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Charles F. Knight, chairman and chief executive officer of Emerson Electric Co. (NYSE: EMR), announced today that the company had achieved record sales, net earnings and earnings per share for the fourth quarter and fiscal year 1990. This was the 33rd consecutive year of record earnings and earnings per share for the company.

Emerson's earnings per share were $2.75 for fiscal 1990, an increase of 4.6 percent over earnings per share of $2.63 for fiscal 1989. Net earnings for fiscal 1990 were $613,182,000, an increase of 4.3 percent over net earnings of $588,031,000 for the prior year.

Emerson's net sales for fiscal 1990 were $7,573,356,000, an increase of 7.1 percent over net sales of $7,071,252,000 in fiscal 1989.

The company's earnings per share for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $0.69, an increase of 3.0 percent over earnings per share of $0.67 for the same quarter a year ago. Net earnings for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were $154,593,000, an increase of 3.3 percent over net earnings of $149,640,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Emerson's net sales for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $2,038,732,000, an increase of 15.7 percent over net sales of $1,762,598,000 for the same period a year ago.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Northern Trust Corp. (NASDAQ: NTRS) announced Monday (Nov. 5) that it had repurchased an aggregate of 120,000 shares of its common stock from a trust established by the late Harold Byron Smith Sr. at the market price of $25-3/4 per share.

Smith, who was an honorary director and a former director of Northern Trust, died Oct. 30, 1990. This purchase was effected under Northern's existing stock repurchase program.

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#90310p3785 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Adams Resources & Energy, Inc. (AMEX: AE) today announced third quarter 1990 unaudited net earnings to common shareholders of $304,000 or $.04 per common share. This compares to unaudited third quarter 1989 earnings of $389,000, which included a $179,000 gain on sale of real estate. Revenues for the current quarter were $29, 166,000 as compared to $23,581,000 in the prior year third quarter.

K.S. Adams Jr., president, indicated that recent increases in crude oil prices had a minimal impact on earnings as price improvements were offset by reduced margins in certain segments of the company's marketing and transportation operation. The company continues to participate in the development of a number of low risk natural gas prospects in Oklahoma. The fifth such well has now been successfully completed and a sixth well is currently in progress. The company generally holds a 20-35 percent working interest in each well drilled at a net cost to the company of approximately $100,000 to $175,000 per well. Typically, the company expects to earn a three to one undiscounted rate of return on its investment.

ADAMS RESOURCES & ENERGY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

(Unaudited, consolidated, in thousands, except per share data)

Periods ended:	Nine months		Three months	
Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$74,286	$66,825	$29,166	$23,581
Operating costs & expenses	73,073	65,795	28,847	23,112
Income tax provision	20	20	--	10
Net earnings	1,193	1,010	319	459
Dividends on redeemable preferred stock	(61)	(210)	(15)	(70)
Earnings to common shareholders	$ 1,132	$ 800	$ 304	$ 389
Earnings per common share	$ .15	$ .11	$ .04	$.06
Dividends per common share	--	--	--	--

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KINGWOOD, TEXAS (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Enex Resources Corporation (NASDAQ:

ENEX), a company which acquires and manages producing oil and gas properties and markets oil and gas income programs, today reported financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the third quarter was $142,497 or $.09 per share, on revenues of $998,339. This compares with a net loss of $572,945 or $.12 per share, on revenues of $2,188,121 for the same period of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, net income, which included a $5,960,149 nonrecurring gain on the sale of property, was $5,897,396 or $2.25 per share. This compares with a net loss of $577,801 or $.12 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Gerald B. Eckley, president of Enex said, "The third quarter per share earnings of $.09 reflect the first full quarter of operations since our stock repurchase. With no long-term debt, working capital of $5.7 million and a book value in excess of $11.7 million, we are in a strong financial position. With these positive earnings to complement our substantial cash position, we expect to further enhance the value of the company for our shareholders and limited partners."

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#90310p3791 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Cooper Industries, Inc. (NYSE: CBE), meeting at the headquarters of the Cooper Lighting Division in Elk Grove Village, Ill., today declared quarterly dividends on the company's outstanding common and preferred shares.

The regular quarterly dividend of 27 cents on each common share is payable Jan. 2, 1991. A quarterly dividend of 40 cents on each convertible exchangeable preferred share is payable Jan. 1, 1991. The record date for both common and preferred shares is Dec. 10, 1990.

Cooper Industries, with 1989 revenues of $5.1 billion, is a diversified, worldwide manufacturer of electrical products, electrical power equipment, tools and hardware, automotive products, and petroleum and industrial equipment.

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#90310p3795 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Zale Corporation has elected Dennis S. Bookshester as president and chief executive officer effective Dec. 1, 1990, it was announced today by Irving R. Gerstein, chairman

of the board.

According to Gerstein, who has served in this capacity for nearly four years, while also serving as president and chief executive officer of Peoples Jewelers of Toronto, Canada, "I have served in this position knowing full well that at the right time this company would benefit significantly from full-time day-to-day on-site leadership." Gerstein said that now is the right time for this top management transition. "To date, substantial progress has been made in strengthening the company's profitability and achieving key financing, acquisition and operating goals. Most important," he said, "we have the immediate availability of a highly successful retailing executive like Dennis Bookshester, who brings outstanding leadership credentials and accomplishments to this position."

In 1984, Bookshester was elected corporate vice chairman of Carson Pirie Scott & Co. and chairman and chief executive officer of its retail division. He joined Carson, Pirie Scott & Co. as president and chief executive officer of the department store division in 1983.

He was named president in 1977 and chairman and chief executive officer in 1978 of Sibley, Lindsay and Curr, a division of Associated Dry Goods Corporation and within five years became president of that organization's Caldor, Inc. operation. Bookshester began his retailing career in 1961 when he joined Burdine's, a Federated Department Store, as a trainee. With that retail group, Bookshester advanced to the position of senior vice president, merchandising.

Bookshester is a graduate of the University of Alabama. Gerstein will continue as chairman of the board of Zale Corporation. He stated that he will work closely with Bookshester and will now "concentrate more fully on the global opportunities available to Zale Corporation."

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#90310p3796 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, ORE. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Telecommunications Inc. of Spokane, Wash. today announced the purchase of Portland's Call U.S. Inc., the metropolitan area's largest locally based long distance telephone company with 9,000 customers and 24 employees.

NW Telco, a subsidiary of Spokane's Washington Water Power Co. (WWP) (NYSE: WWP) was founded in 1985. In addition to offices in Spokane and Boise, Idaho, Telco recently began moving into the Puget Sound market, with a new office and switching facility located in Seattle.

In announcing the sale, Paul Redmond, WWP board chairman and chief executive

officer, pledged to expand on "Call U.S.'s well-established record of quality customer service.

"Our intention is to extend our long distance telephone services throughout the Pacific Northwest by providing the kind of personalized customer service and high reliability we have demonstrated in regional energy services for more than a century," Redmond said. "The acquisition of Call U.S. will enhance the long-term value and quality of our telecommunications services, while allowing us to further improve our highly competitive pricing position."

Joseph R. Maio, president of NW Telco, said that Call U.S. customers "will continue to receive the outstanding services they have come to expect, provided by the same staff and the same Portland office. The services and resources Telco can add mean that any changes will be positive ones."

Maio indicated that the acquisition was part of a natural progression in the development of Northwest Telco.

Northwest Telco has 42 employees and provides worldwide long distance voice, data transmission, private line and special fax services to approximately 4,000 customers in Washington, Idaho, Oregon and Montana. Telco provides outbound long distance, incoming "800" services, telephone calling cards, international services, custom billing and a variety of special pricing plans.

WWP is an investor-owned electric and natural gas utility founded in 1889. Nearly 40 percent of WWP's 37,000 shareholders live in the Pacific Northwest. The Pentzer Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of WWP, oversees its nonutility activities, including Northwest Telco. Pentzer acquired Telco in 1989 and is providing the resources to make it a major long distance carrier throughout the Northwest.

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#90310p3798 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Gannett Co. (NYSE: GCI) today announced the formation of GANNETTWORK, a cross-media advertising program headed by Cathleen Black, executive vice president/marketing of Gannett and publisher of USA Today.

GANNETTWORK consists of a corporate sales team that will work directly with major advertisers and their agencies to custom design multimedia packages incorporating various Gannett and non-Gannett media parties.

"At a time when all advertisers are seeking to maximize the impact of their advertising and marketing investments, we believe that the various divisions of Gannett, working in concert with other marketing and media partners, offer

exciting possibilities and opportunities," Black said.

Lynne O'Shea, vice president/new business, Gannett Outdoor/central region sales, and David O'Brasky, vice president/sales development, USA Today, will direct GANNETTWORK, reporting to Black. Also on the sales team are representatives from other Gannett media divisions, including Gannett Broadcasting, Gannett's Newspaper division, USA Weekend, and Gannett New Business and Product Development.

Gannett is the nation's largest newspaper publisher with 82 dailies, including USA Today, which reaches nearly 6 million readers each day. Gannett also publishes USA Weekend, a newspaper magazine appearing in 324 newspapers every week. Gannett also operates the largest out-of- home advertising unit in North America, which includes Gannett Outdoor and Gannett Transit.

The company also owns 10 television stations and 15 radio stations and Gannett Direct Marketing Services.

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#90310p3799 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Piper Jaffray Incorporated (NASDAQ: PIPR), parent company of the investment firm of Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated today reported record revenues for the fiscal year ended Sept. 28, 1990. Revenues of $203,768,000 were 4.4 percent ahead of fiscal 1989 revenues of $195,236,000. Net income for the fiscal year was $10,300,000, down 11.8 percent from the previous year's net income of $11,675,000. Net income per share for fiscal 1990 was $2.52 versus $2.92 in fiscal 1989, a 13.7 percent decline.

For the fourth fiscal quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, revenues were $52,204,000, compared to $57,414,000 for the same quarter last year, a 9.1 percent decrease. Net income for the quarter was $1,955,000 versus $4,126,000 last year, a 52.6 percent drop. Net income per share was $0.47, down 54.4 percent from $1.03 for the same quarter in fiscal 1989.

Commission revenues remained strong throughout the year, showing weakness only since the Middle East crisis began in mid-August. Overall, retail and institutional commissions and trading profits were up 12 percent for the year, including an almost 40 percent increase in mutual fund revenues. Investment banking revenues were down 23 percent, in line with industry trends. Finally, asset management fees were up 37.5 percent, with Piper Capital Management (PCM) ending the year with $3.6 billion under management and Piper Trust Company completing its first full year of operations.

Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated is a full-service investment firm with 64 retail sales offices in 16 Midwest, Mountain and Pacific Northwest states plus institutional sales offices in Minneapolis, New York, Seattle, Portland, Los Angeles, Denver, Boston and London. Founded in 1895, Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated is a member of the New York Stock Exchange and other major stock, futures and options exchanges. Affiliates include Piper Capital Management Incorporated, an asset management company with $3.6 billion under management, and Piper Trust Company.

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#90310p3803 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Third quarter earnings of Cognitronics Corporation (AMEX: CGN), a leading manufacturer and supplier of voice processing equipment, rose to $324,000, or $.14 per share, compared to net income of $191,000, or $.08 per share, for the same period in 1989. Included in 1990 net income is an extraordinary credit of $95,000, or $.04 per share, and of $83,000, or $.03 per share, in 1989 for the utilization of tax operating loss carryforwards.

Revenues for the 1990 third quarter were $4,148,000 and $4,038,000 in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income totaled $1,024,000, or $.45 per share, versus net income of $766,000, or $.34 per share, for the comparable period in 1989. Net income for the nine- month period includes an extraordinary credit of $345,000, or $.15 per share in 1990, and $274,000, or $.12 per share, in 1989.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $12,995,000, up from $12,540,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

"Sales of voice processing products increased nine percent in the third quarter of 1990 over the same period of 1989, which were partially offset by lower sales of scanning products," said Matthew J. Flanigan, president and CEO. "The higher sales of voice processing products reflects the continued growing acceptance of the company's voice processing products by the domestic telephone industry, although at a lower incremental rate than the previous two quarters of 1990.

"Improved earnings in the current quarter are primarily attributable to higher gross margins of voice processing products reflecting production efficiencies and a change in the product sales mix."

Cognitronics Corporation is a leading manufacturer and supplier of voice processing equipment, including telephone announcement products and interactive voice response (IVR) systems, to telephone operating companies,

OEMs and commercial users. Cognitronics also manufactures optical scanning and image processing systems and precision machined parts.

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#90310p3811 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALDESE, NC (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - ALBA-WALDENSIAN, INC. (AMEX: AWS), a diversified knitwear producer, announced net earnings of $854,937 on sales of $11,169,736 for the third quarter ending September 30, 1990. This compares to net earnings of $678,574 on sales of $12,114,133 in the same quarter a year ago.

"Third quarter sales were below the same period in 1989 due to economic conditions as well as the elimination of certain unprofitable product lines," said William F. Karnbach, President & CEO. "As pointed out in my last report, our year to date bottom line figures include a $293,000 bad debt write-off resulting from the Ames Corporation Chapter 11 proceedings. For this reason we are even more pleased with the Company's performance.

"In the third quarter of 1990, we finalized an agreement with Kayser-Roth, Inc. to market ladies panties under the No-Nonsense(R) brand name. This agreement will be important for our future growth in that we now have one of the best-known consumer product names in the U.S.

"We are pleased with the results of all of our divisions thus far, including an excellent performance by our new Alba Direct division. We are optimistic concerning our earnings for the full year," said Mr. Karnbach.

ALBA-WALDENSIAN, INC. manufactures women's and men's hosiery, women's intimate apparel, and medical specialty products. The Company presently employs approximately 1,000 employees in five locations in Valdese, NC and in Chilhowie, VA.

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#90310p3812 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways today reported that scheduled traffic last month increased 1.9 percent compared with the same month a year ago, from 2.364 billion revenue passenger miles to 2.408 billion.

Pan Am said load factor increased 1.4 points, from 61.7 percent in October last year to 63.1 percent this year, with available seat miles down 0.4 percent, from 3.832 billion to 3.817 billion.

Traffic statistics include Pan American World Airways' operations only, and do not include the Pan Am Shuttle or Pan Am Express flights.

Atlantic RPMs were down 3.7 percent, ASMs were up 0.6 percent and load factor declined 1.2 points, from 66.6 percent, to 65.4 percent.

Latin American RPMs were up 25.3 percent, ASMs were up 8.3 percent and load factor increased 8.8 points, from 56.0 percent to 64.8 percent.

In U.S. domestic markets, RPMs were down 0.6 percent, ASMs were down 3.4 percent and load factor was up 1.6 points, from 61.7 percent to 63.1 percent.

Scheduled freight ton miles were down 14.1 percent, from 64.4 million to 55.3 million.

YEAR TO DATE For the first ten months of the year, scheduled passenger traffic was up 8.9 percent, from 24.376 billion RPMs to 26.545 billion, with ASMs up 5.6 percent, from 37.874 billion to 39.993 billion and load factor, at 66.4 percent, up 2.0 points from 64.4 percent last year.

Scheduled freight ton miles were down 0.7 percent, from 609.0 million to 604.5 million.

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#90310p3813 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREAT NECK, NY (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Gould Investors L.P. (AMEX: GLP) announced today that its limited partners of record on Dec. 10, 1990 will receive a cash distribution of 25 cents per unit, payable on Jan. 2, 1991.

Fredric H. Gould, a general partner, stated that it is the present intention of the partnership to declare and pay regular quarterly cash distributions, but the amount and timing will be at the discretion of the general partners and will depend upon the partnership's financial condition, cash flow and other factors.

Gould Investors is a limited partnership operating in the real estate field.

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#90310p3817 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HICKSVILLE, N.Y. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - In the first quarter of fiscal 1991, new product sales for Metro Tel Corp. (NASDAQ: MTRO) continued to offset soft

sales of older test instruments. However, the increase in new product sales, unable to shake the restraints of an industry-wide poor business climate, could only minimally bring the quarter's revenues beyond last year's level.

For the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Metro Tel Corp. reported sales of $1,154,477 and a loss of $24,442 or $.02 per share. This compared with sales of $1,153,640 and net earnings of $1,693 or $.00 per share for the same period last year.

V.J. Indelicato, Metro Tel president, attributed the first quarter loss to the fact that the flat sales could not carry certain new expenses that had arisen in the period. First, the quarter carried a larger selling expense burden from the establishment of two additional direct factory sales offices. He explained that the newest appointees, a regional sales manager for the Far West and one for the Northeast, represented completion of the company's plan to establish direct factory representation in each of the major telephone regions in the U.S.

Added new expenses in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 also arose with increased legal activity from a patent infringement suit Metro Tel has instituted against AT&T and from an accounting change started at the beginning of the new fiscal year.

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#90310p3818 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Equitable Resources Inc. (NYSE: EQT) reported consolidated net income for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $49.3 million, or $2.35 per share, compared with a restated $50.3 million, or $2.41 per share, for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The 1990 period includes $1.4 million of income from settlements approved by the FERC for the recovery of higher NGPA prices on natural gas production that had been denied the company between 1978 and 1983. The 1989 period includes $3.1 million of income from settlement of a rate increase which had been reserved in prior periods. A comparison of operating results excluding these settlements shows an increase of about $0.7 million in 1990 which is attributed to higher oil prices and production.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $29.3 million, or $1.40 per share, compared with a restated $30.9 million, or $1.48 per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Operating results, excluding the NGPA pricing settlements in 1990 and $3.6 million from the rate settlement in 1989, increased $0.6 million in 1990 as the result of higher oil prices and production.

Net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1.7 million, or $.08 per share, compared with a restated loss of $2.4 million, or $.11 per share for the 1989 quarter. The improvement in 1990 is attributed primarily to the NGPA pricing settlements.

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#90310p3819 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, COLO. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Marquest Medical Products Inc. (NASDAQ: MMPI) today reported net income of $278,000 or 7 cents per share on revenues of $19,555,000 for its fiscal second quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990. This compares to net income of $697,000 or 17 cents per share on revenues of $16,741,000. Revenues exceeded the prior period by 17 percent and represents all-time high for second quarter revenues for the company.

For the six months just ended, net income totalled $1,201,000 or 28 cents per share on revenues of $39,621,000 compared to net income of $1,434,000, or 35 cents per share on revenues of $34,681,000 for the like period last year. The six-month period last year reflected no gain or loss on foreign currency, while this year there is a currency loss of $1,043,000 for the six months, $797,000 of which occurred during the second quarter ended Sept. 29. Operating income for six months has increased from $2,993,000 last fiscal year to $3,195,000 this year, an increase of 7 percent.

Earnings for both the second quarter and year-to-date have been adversely affected by the decline of the dollar against the Swiss Franc and other European currencies. This loss on the company's books has occurred despite a continuous hedging effort on the company's part that netted over $1,200,000 in cash settlements on the sale of option contracts during this fiscal year. The company has controlled some of this problem by repurchasing 26 percent of the debt out of the Swiss market.

Earnings were also impacted during the second quarter by approximately $400,000 of start-up costs associated with a new Maquiladora in Nogales, Sonora, Mexico. While these costs will continue into part of the third quarter, it is anticipated that they will benefit the fourth quarter and fiscal 1992 substantially.

Despite the problems incurred during the second quarter, the company still estimates that its earnings for fiscal year 1991 will be in excess of 80 cents per share, unless there is a continuing downward spriral of the dollar against the Swiss Franc.

Marquest Medical Products is a leading innovator and manufacturer of specialty respiratory and anesthesia disposable products. It also provides home

healthcare rentals and services to the general public as part of the $3 billion alternate care market. The company is a technological leader with proprietary healthcare products that are time saving and cost effective.

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#90310p3822 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - American Express Information Services Corporation (ISC) today named Harold L. Krell senior vice president and general manager of the Physician Services Division (PSD), a unit of the company's Health Systems Group.

PSD provides billing services to hospital-based physicians, primarily emergency departments.

"We are delighted to have Harold on board," said Larry Ferguson, president of Health Systems Group. "He brings more than 15 years of health care systems management expertise to his new role."

Krell, 46, joins PSD from LifeCard International, Inc. where he had been vice president and chief operating officer since 1986. Prior to this he had been president of his own start-up company, Micromed, Inc., a post marketing surveillance company which he founded in 1983. In 1986, the company was sold.

Krell began his health care systems career in 1973 with Shared Medical Systems as a senior systems analyst where he designed the first outpatient system and first physician systems for the company.

He then was named Philadelphia regional sales manager and was quickly elevated to the position of national sales manager for the Physician's Service business. Soon after he was appointed general manager.

In 1982, Krell joined Health Learning Systems, Inc. as general manager, developing physician and patient education programs underwritten by grants from major pharmaceutical companies.

Krell holds a bachelor of science in accounting from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. He lives in the Philadelphia area with his wife and child.

American Express ISC is a leading provider of high-quality information processing and communications services to a wide range of industries. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of American Express Company. Health Systems Group, headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., provides hospital information systems to more than 700 hospitals in the United States and Puerto Rico. It is a business unit of ISC.

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#90310p3828 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Tribune Company's board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.24 per common share payable on Dec. 13 to stockholders of record on Nov. 29.

The board also declared a dividend of $8.525 per share on the company's Series B convertible preferred stock. The dividend will be paid on Dec. 14. All 1.6 million shares of the preferred stock are held by the company's Employee Stock Ownership Plan.

Tribune Company is a diversified media company engaged in newspaper publishing broadcasting, entertainment production and newsprint manufacturing.

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#90310p3829 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORCROSS, GA. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Colorocs Corporation (NASDAQ: CLRX), a designer and distributor of plain-paper, full-color copiers and printers, today announced that revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $5 million, compared to $4.1 million in the third quarter a year ago.

Net loss for the 1990 third quarter was $2.8 million, or $.24 per common share outstanding. Net income in the 1989 third quarter was $7 million, or $.48 per common share. This income resulted from the gain on sale of Savin Corporation securities during the quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $32.5 million, compared to $4.8 million for the same period a year ago. Net loss for the nine-month period in 1990 was $760,000, or $.08 per common share. For the same period in the previous year the company reported net income of $7.3 million, or $.52 per common share.

Third quarter 1990 revenues were affected by several factors. First, third-quarter shipments would have been greater if Colorocs' customers or Colorocs had been able to secure additional letters of credit as originally anticipated.

Second, Colorocs delayed shipments to one private label customer while negotiating a payment schedule for machines delivered to this customer in the second quarter of 1990. Third, Sharp had a two-week plant vacation at the

end of August, causing a delay in shipments from Sharp the last of September.

Charles Muench, president of Colorocs, said, "As we build our own distribution system, we sacrifice some near-term earnings due to the cost associated with the start-up of branches.

However, we believe this strategy will enable the company to capture a larger share of the worldwide market for plain paper full-color copiers and printers."

Colorocs now has branch operations to sell and service Colorocs brand machines in 13 major U.S. cities, two Canadian cities and six Australian locations. In addition, the company is now distributing copiers in Taiwan, Singapore, Thailand, and Hong Kong through joint venture called Colorocs Asia.

COLOROCS CORPORATION
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$5,011,458	$4,115,013	$32,540,881	$4,750,278
Costs & exps.	8,591,474	4,723,465	34,574,980	7,425,142
Operating (loss)	(3,580,018)	(608,452)	(2,034,099)	(2,674,864)
Other income	18,504	7,623,707	1,273,687	10,449,345
Inc. (loss) bef. equity in losses of Savin Corp. & income taxes	(3,561,512)	7,015,255	(760,412)	7,774,481
Equity in losses of Savin Corp.	--	--	--	(442,000)
Income (loss) bef. inc. taxes	(3,561,512)	7,015,255	(760,412)	7,332,481
Income taxes	(779,935)	10,950	21,575	10,950
Net income(loss)	(2,781,577)	7,004,305	(781,987)	7,321,531
Net income (loss) applicable to common share-holders	(2,871,576)	6,914,306	(1,051,983)	7,051,534
Net income (loss) per common share	$(0.24)	$0.48	$(0.08)	$0.52
Wtd. avg. shares outstanding	12,095,218	14,498,196	12,752,459	13,664,663

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#90310p3832 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Execucom Systems Corp., a leader in EIS (executive information systems), announced today that it was chosen as part of a team headed by EDS (Electronic Data Systems) to provide multi-user computer systems and services to the Army, Navy, and Defense Logistics Agency. Execucom's graphics software is one component of a bundled package of products to be available to the three customers.

"The long-term revenue of the contract for Execucom is estimated to be more than $10 million," said Gary R. Anderson, president and chief operating officer of Execucom. "We are delighted to be part of the team chosen for this highly competitive contract and look forward to working with EDS on such a large project."

EDS signed the contract with the U.S. Army Information Systems Selection and Acquisition Agency. The SMC (Small Multi-User Computer) contract runs for eight years in one-year increments with a value that could reach more than $700 million. Estimates are that up to 20,000 multi-user systems will be procured by the three customers.

The graphics software is an integrated feature of Executive Edge, Execucom's EIS software. The software addresses the entire spectrum of graphics, from ad-hoc analyses to boardroom quality presentations.

Execucom, a subsidiary of MPSI Systems Inc., develops and markets EIS and business productivity software and services. Based in Austin, Texas, Execucom is a recognized market leader in executive information systems software. The company's products and services are used by more than 250,000 business professionals in 1,900 installations around the world.

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#90310p3833 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASHVILLE, TENN (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Credit Company confirmed today that it will open a national headquarters for a new automotive finance company in Nashville by early 1991.

The new company, which will be a subsidiary of Ford Credit, will provide wholesale, retail, lease and other financing programs to non-Ford dealers and their retail customers. It will be operated separately from Ford Credit's North American financing unit, which will continue to give its full attention to serving the financing needs of Ford, Lincoln-Mercury, Ford Truck and Ford New Holland dealers and non-Ford dealers affiliated with them through ownership.

The company expects to have about 100 people in Nashville by the end of 1991, with employment expected to grow significantly in future years.

George Watts, former head of Ford Credit's Canadian Operations, will be president of the new company. A name for the company will be announced at a later date.

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#90310p3834 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MICH (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Credit Company has signed a definitive agreement to acquire the common stock, most of the field organization and certain dealer floorplan receivables of Marine Midland Automotive Financial Corporation (MMAFC).

Marine Midland Banks, Inc., the parent company of MMAFC, will retain the majority of MMAFC's current portfolio of automotive receivables and will continue to manage that portfolio from its Buffalo, N.Y.-based headquarters. Other terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

The acquisition will serve as the nucleus of a new non-Ford automotive financing business to be based in Nashville, Tenn., and will be completely separate from Ford Credit's traditional Ford-focused business. The new business will operate initially under the MMAFC name, but a new name will be announced shortly.

MMAFC has had private-label financing relationships with Mazda and Jaguar. Ford Credit and Mazda have reached an agreement that will enable the new venture to offer wholesale, retail, lease and other financial services to Mazda dealers and their customers on a private- label basis. The new venture will have similar arrangements with Jaguar. The company also will offer these services to other non-Ford dealers and their retail customers.

The new non-Ford financing business will operate separately from Ford Credit's North American Automotive Financing Operations, which will continue to give full attention to serving Ford, Lincoln-Mercury, Ford Truck, Ford New Holland and affiliated dealers. Under this arrangement, both entities will deliver maximum financing support to their dealer and retail customers.

Ford Credit and Marine Midland expect to complete the transaction by the end of December.

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#90310p3836 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - While voters across the country recognize the first Tuesday in November as "Election Day," at Ford Division, it's being hailed as "Escort Success Day." Escort sales in October topped the 30,000-per-month mark -- a 25-percent improvement over the same period a year ago.

"This is a significant milestone and further proof of the continuing momentum building for this world-class product," said Thomas J. Wagner, Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) vice president and Ford Division general manager. "If we wanted to view this milestone in political terms, we could say that October was a landslide month for the Escort."

The October increase is especially significant, Wagner pointed out, because overall sales in the subcompact segment were off 8 percent from 1989 levels.

When the Escort was originally introduced in the fall of 1980, it took 18 months to record sales of 30,000 units or more in a one-month period. A decade later, the redesigned Escort hit the same milestone in only six months. Escort sales in October totaled 30,842.

"For the past decade, Escort has been the world's best-selling car and we're delighted to see the enthusiasm continuing for this new product," Wagner said. "We see the all-new Escort as representative of a new era at Ford in terms of quality, manufacturing and design. This car represents an entirely new way of doing business."

A recent Ford survey of 1991 Escort buyers indicates that customer satisfaction levels for the new models are as high or higher than any other all-new car line introduced by Ford in the past 10 years, including the award-winning 1989 Thunderbird and 1986 Taurus.

The all-new 1991 Ford Escort, introduced to the public last April, is attracting upscale small-car buyers to Ford dealerships, buyers who may traditionally have been attracted to imported small cars.

"The buyer demographics tell us we are reaching exactly the market we're aiming for with this new product," Wagner said. "Our customers tell us they're especially pleased with the car's exterior styling, value, power and handling."

The new Escorts feature a fresh, contemporary design with a lower cowl and belt that provide more glass area and improved visibility compared with their predecessors. Other new features include flip-out quarter windows on two-door hatchback models; a remote-control outside mirror and an "A" pillar-mounted antenna.

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#90310p3837 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, N.C. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Exide Electronics Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: XUPS), the world's largest dedicated manufacturer of uninterruptible power supply (UPS) systems, today announced record revenues for the fiscal year and fourth quarter ended September 30, 1990.

For fiscal year 1990, revenues were $172.4 million, up 13 percent from the $152.4 million in 1989. Net income for the year totaled $5.0 million, or $0.96 per share, a 9 percent decrease from $5.5 million, or $1.30 per share in 1989.

For the fourth quarter of 1990, revenues were $51.8 million, an increase of 11 percent from the $46.9 million for the same quarter of 1989, and a 19 percent increase over the third quarter ended July 1, 1990. Net income decreased 4 percent to $3.0 million from $3.1 million in the fourth quarter of 1989, and rose 190 percent from $1.0 million in the third quarter of 1990.

Earnings per share for the fourth quarter were $0.54, compared to $0.72, for the same period last year, and $0.19 in the third quarter of 1990. Weighted average shares outstanding in the quarter were 5,448,000 shares compared to 4,233,000 for the 1989 period and 5,472,000 for the third quarter of 1990. For the year, weighted average shares outstanding increased 25 percent to 5,209,000 up from 4,181,000 shares for fiscal 1989. The share increases for the year and the quarter reflect the completion of the Company's initial public offering of common stock in December 1989.

"Record revenues during the fourth quarter continue to reflect an increasing demand for our comprehensive family of UPS products," said James A. Risher, President and Chief Executive Officer of Exide Electronics Group, Inc. "We were especially gratified by the outstanding performance of our new office and departmental products, including the Powerware(R) Personal Series and the Powerware(R) Plus Series. Sales of these products are exceeding our expectations.

"Although our fourth quarter earnings were slightly below last year, we are pleased that we exceeded analyst expectations for the quarter and the year. In addition, if adjusted for the $2.0 million of non-operating legal and financing costs related to litigation incurred during the year, Exide Electronics would have generated a record earnings performance. Fundamentally we are pleased with the new products introduced during the year, the rapid growth in international markets, and the successful start-up of our new manufacturing facility; combined, these accomplishments made fiscal 1990 a very good year for Exide Electronics."

Exide Electronics designs, manufactures, markets and services a broad line of power performance and protection products, which protect computer and other

sensitive electronic systems against electrical power loss and distortions. The Company's products are used in diverse applications, including large computer facilities, mainframe and minicomputer systems, communications systems, medical applications and distributed computing environments.

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#90310p3841 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, Mich. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - George E. Watts Jr. has been named president of a new automotive financing company being formed by Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) to serve non-Ford dealers and their customers.

The appointment was made simultaneously with the announcement that Ford Credit will acquire certain people and assets of Marine Midland Automotive Financial Corporation (MMAFC), the automotive financing operations of Marine Midland Banks, Inc. The new company will be based in Nashville, Tenn.

Watts, who has been head of Ford Motor Credit Company's Canadian Operations, joined Ford Credit in 1962 in the company's Birmingham, Ala., branch. From 1970 through 1976, he held managerial assignments in Ford Credit branches in Birmingham, Chattanooga, Louisville, Houston and Dallas. He later held area and regional management assignments in various markets throughout the United States before being named vice president-Canadian Operations in March 1988.

A Montgomery, Ala., native, Watts attended Auburn University where he studied business administration, and the University of Alabama Center in Montgomery where he studied economics and history.

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#90310p3844 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Effective immediately, Lufthansa German Airlines has introduced a Super Apex Winter Fare of $484 roundtrip on its new non-stop flights from Charlotte, N.C., to Frankfurt, Germany.

The fare represents a savings of $171 off the next lowest available ticket price. It is designed to encourage more people to fly on the new route during the winter season when traffic is traditionally slower.

"Our introductory fares were so popular this summer, we decided to create a winter version," said Hans Schreiber, Lufthansa sales manager for the Carolinas. "This special fare will enable more people to consider a trip to

Europe during the ski and holiday season."

Lufthansa's Charlotte to Frankfurt service, which began Aug. 1, offers non-stop flights on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday each week. The $484 Super Apex Fare is good for Wednesday departures, with a five-day minimum/21-day maximum stay. Weekend departures (Friday/Sunday) are available for $534 roundtrip.

Tickets must be purchased at least seven days in advance and no later than Dec. 7. They are valid for travel from Nov. 6 through Dec. 13 and from Dec. 25 through March 15, 1991.

Fares are subject to government approval. Some restrictions apply. Travelers should contact Lufthansa reservations at 800-645-3880 or their travel agent for details.

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#90310p3850 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANKATO, MINN. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Winland Electronics, Inc. reported a revision to its third quarter and nine-month results as earlier reported on Oct. 24, 1990. Sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $1,046,291 compared to $432,873 for the same period last year. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales were $2,665,481 compared to $2,086,373 during the comparable period in 1989.

As corrected, the company had a net loss of $16,449, or $(.008) per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $212,804 or $(.18) per share last year. For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, Winland incurred a net loss of $36,093, or $(.018) compared to a net loss of $208,886, or $(.17) per share last year.

Management stated that the revision of last month's third quarter and nine month operations report was necessary to correct an error in inventory.

Mankato, Minn.-based Winland Electronics, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets electronic and electro-mechanical products and assemblies and retail gift products. The company's common stock is traded over- the-counter in Minneapolis/St. Paul.

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#90310p3851 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM today announced the availability of FRx: The Financial Reporting Extender, a powerful software program that offers customers advanced financial reporting capabilities previously unavailable on personal computers.

FRx is the twentieth module in The Platinum Series, IBM's highly- regarded line of accounting and management information system (MIS) software. The program, which works in conjunction with Platinum General Ledger, is designed to simplify the creation of financial reports for organizations of all sizes and complexities.

"FRx offers features never before seen in a desktop accounting product," said Fernand Sarrat, vice president, IBM Desktop Software. "It reinforces The Platinum Series' position as a powerful accounting solution for local area networks."

Traditionally, financial reporting with computer software required a direct link with an organization's chart of accounts, the data that is at the heart of most accounting systems. To generate reports on a division or unit of an organization, users had to create chart-of- account codes -- character strings representing several structural layers of a company -- that were often so long that only mini- or mainframe-based systems could be used.

But financial reports generated with FRx do not require direct links to the chart of accounts. By eliminating the need for lengthy account codes when creating reports, accounting function previously available to customers only on larger systems is now available to customers using a personal computer or local area network (LAN).

Additional details of an organization can be accessed by customers with FRx's reporting tree, which is used by simply indicating the parent reporting unit of each subsidiary unit. To reflect changes in the reporting structure of a company, a user needs only to make the appropriate changes to the reporting tree. Such changes might take as little as a few minutes, compared with hundreds of personnel hours if a medium-sized business had to recode its chart of accounts.

With pull-down menus, extensive on-line help features and a spreadsheet-like user interface, FRx is easy to use. Users can generate row formats and reporting trees automatically, based upon existing charts of accounts previously created in Platinum General Ledger. FRx also includes features designed to make it easy for customers to create auditing reports.

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#90310p3852 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas City Power & Light Co. (NYSE: KLT) today reported third quarter earnings per average common share of $1.64, compared with $1.49 for the like period a year ago, an increase of 10.1 percent. The increase in earnings reflects higher kilowatt-hour (kwh) sales attributable primarily to warmer weather late in the quarter.

Earnings per average common share for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $3.34 compared with $2.81 for the like period a year ago. The increase in 12 month earnings reflects the impact of warmer weather in the second and third quarters of 1990 and increases in load growth.

KCPL also announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 67 cents per share on its common stock, payable Dec. 20, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 29, 1990. That action continues KCPL's indicated annual level of dividends at $2.68 per share. In addition, the board of directors declared regular dividends on the preferred stock, payable March 1, 1991, to shareholders of record on Feb. 7, 1991.

KCPL reported that third quarter operating revenues increased 7.5 percent to $237.5 million from $220.9 million in the prior year. For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 5.7 percent to $761.5 million from $720.5 million for the like period a year ago.

Kilowatt-hour sales increased 9.2 percent in the third quarter due primarily to warmer weather. Kwh sales increased 5.9 percent for the 12 month period, reflecting increased usage due to warmer weather in both the second and third quarters of 1990 and increases in load growth.

Third quarter 1990 net income increased to $52.4 million from $47.7 million a year ago. For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income increased 17.6 percent to $109.8 million compared with $93.4 million in the prior period.

Kansas City Power & Light provides electric service to about 410,000 customers in a 4,700 square-mile area in eastern Kansas and western Missouri, including metropolitan Kansas City.

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#90310p3853 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA MONICA, CALIF. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - James A. McIntyre, chairman and chief executive officer, announced that Fremont General Corp.'s earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $20,335,000 or $2.47/share, sharply higher that the $8,060,000 or $.99/share reported for the same prior year period. Further, total revenues for the respective periods were $462,408,000 vs.

$339,390,000, up approximately $123 million.

Net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $6,664,000 or $.81/share compared to $8,890,000 or $1.09/share for the same period in 1989. McIntyre stated that, "1989 third quarter income benefitted from a $1.4 million gain from the sale of securities." The corporation's 1990 third quarter revenue was $152,897,000 vs. $127,996,000 for the comparable prior period, up approximately $25,000,000.

In closing, McIntyre stated, "The company has achieved consistent profitable earnings for the first three quarters of 1990. We are pleased with this performance and continue to be committed to maximizing shareholder value."

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#90310p3854 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MADISON HEIGHTS, MICH. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Code-Alarm, Inc. (NASDAQ: CODL) leading manufacturer of auto alarm and home security systems, announced today sales and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net income fell from $615,000 to $193,000, while net sales rose to $11.97 million from $9.93 million comparing the third quarters of 1990 and 1989.

Code-Alarm President and CEO Rand Mueller said, "Our TESSCO Group in Georgetown, Texas, experienced a rather abrupt slowdown in electronic manufacturing and defense work, resulting in a pre-tax loss of $314,000 for the quarter."

However, as compared to the same period of 1989, Code-Alarm's basic auto and home security businesses continued to grow during the quarter. Including the recent Anes acquisition, security sales rose 42 percent to $9.5 million while private-label sales to the Big Three were up a more modest 11 percent despite relatively weak new car sales.

CODE-ALARM, INC.

Comparative Statement of Earnings

	Third Quarter		Nine Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Consolidated net sales	$11,969,000	$9,929,000	$33,747,000	$23,945,000
Net income (after tax)	193,000	615,000	1,416,000	1,417,000
Net income per share	$.07	$.30	$.55	$.68
Average shares	2,585,570	2,072,258	2,585,570	2,098,740

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#90310p3857 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
PORTLAND, Ore. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Oregon Steel Mills Inc. (NYSE: OS) announced today that Napa Pipe Corp., its wholly owned subsidiary, received the go ahead to start pipe production on the previously announced orders for the Kern River and Mojave pipeline projects.

The Kern River Pipeline Project order is for 251,000 tons of 36-inch gas transmission line pipe from Kern River Gas Transmission Co. Kern River is a joint venture of The Williams Cos. Inc. and Tenneco Inc. The pipe will be used for the pipeline segment from the origination point in southwest Wyoming to a point near Barstow, Calif. The initial pipe deliveries are expected to begin immediately.

The Mojave Pipeline Project order is for 38,000 tons of 30-inch gas transmission line pipe from Mojave Pipeline Operating Co. Mojave is a joint venture of Enron Corp. and El Paso Natural Gas Co. Shipment of product to the pipeline site in Southern California will begin in the first quarter of 1991.

Oregon Steel is a producer of steel plate and large-diameter steel pipe with facilities in Portland, Ore., and Fontana and Napa, Calif.

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#90310p3858 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
WARREN, NJ (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of a continuing series of loss prevention guides, Chubb Group of Insurance Companies is now making available a new loss prevention booklet titled "Managing Terrorism Risks."

Written by Mike Ackerman, managing director of The Ackerman Group, Inc., an independent international security consulting firm, the booklet details strategies for dealing with terrorism threats and prudently responding to travel and political risks.

"In today's global marketplace, protecting employees and corporate assets is the responsibility of operating managers throughout any corporation," said Ralph E. Jones III, national manager of Chubb's executive protection department. "Well-managed corporations should take reasonable steps to protect their employees and their investments from extortion and other acts of terrorism."

Sections of the booklet detail the steps individuals and corporate crisis management teams can take to minimize the threat of terrorism, such as guidelines on safe air travel, including making travel plans, packing, and

what to do if hijacked; the personal risks involved in travel to hostile or unstable countries; what to do if abducted; and managing a kidnapping, personal injury extortion or product-contamination extortion.

"Terrorism and political instability will remain facts of life for companies operating abroad," said Ackerman. "Corporations will have to respond by carefully analyzing risks, developing programs to protect personnel and planning for emergencies such as kidnappings."

For a free copy of "Managing Terrorism Risks," contact the local Chubb agent or broker, the local Chubb office, or write to Dave Richards, Executive Protection Department, Chubb Group of Insurance Companies, 15 Mountain View Road, Warren, N.J., 07059.

The Ackerman Group is one of the world's premier consulting organizations in the field of corporate-related terrorism. It provides risk forecasting, security training, security design and investigative services to about 75 of America's top 100 multinational companies, as well as to companies in Europe and Japan.

Member companies of Chubb Group of Insurance Companies, a leading provider of kidnap/ransom and extortion insurance, provide commercial and personal insurance through independent agents and brokers in over 100 countries.

Chubb Group member companies are managed by Chubb & Son Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of The Chubb Corporation (NYSE: CB) which is ranked by Fortune as the 42nd largest diversified financial organization in the United States.

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#90310p3859 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HERSHEY, PA. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Hershey Foods Corp. (NYSE: HSY) today declared regular quarterly dividends of $.225 per share on the common stock and $.2025 per share on the Class B common stock.

Both dividends are payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 26 1990. It is the 244th consecutive regular dividend on the corporation's common stock and the 25th consecutive regular dividend on the Class B common stock.

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#90310p3860 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MT. PROSPECT, ILL (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Zenith Data Systems (ZDS), a Groupe Bull company, today introduced three new personal computers (PCs) and lowered the suggested retail prices of its SupersPort 286e and SupersPort SX laptop PCs by $300 and $500, respectively. ZDS' three new products, which will be demonstrated at COMDEX next week, are the SlimsPort 286 laptop PC, the Z-486/25E personal workstation and the Z-386 SX/20 desktop PC.

As ZDS' smallest 80286-based laptop PC ever, the SlimsPort 286 narrows the gap between full-featured portable computers and notebook systems.

By incorporating smaller and more power-efficient components, such as the hard-disk and video elements, the SlimsPort 286 weighs about nine pounds, which is more than six pounds -- or 40 percent -- lighter than ZDS' popular 286-based SupersPort laptop PC.

The SlimsPort 286 Model 20, which measures 2.58 inches high by 12.4 inches deep by 11 inches wide, has a suggested retail price of $3,699 and is now shipping throughout ZDS' worldwide channels.

The Z-486/25E, which is based on Intel's 25-MHz i486 processor and features an Extended Industry Standard Architecture bus, brings workstation-level performance into a small desktop system.

ZDS includes a Microsoft Mouse and pre-installs Microsoft Windows 3.0, Asymetrix ToolBook 1.0 and MS-DOS 4.01 on the hard disk drive of the Z-486/25E.

For general-purpose business computing, the company also introduced a new 20-MHz 386SX-based desktop PC, the Z-386 SX/20.

ZDS reduced the prices of its full-featured 80C286-based SupersPort 286e portable PCs with VGA video. The Model 20 with a 20MB hard drive is now $3,399, down from $3,699.

Reader inquiries, 800-553-0331. Trademarks: -- i486 is a trademark of Intel Corp. -- Microsoft Windows 3.0, MS-DOS and Microsoft Mouse are trademarks of Microsoft Corp. -- Asymetrix ToolBook is a trademark of Asymetrix Corp.

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#90310p3861 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The May Department Stores Company (NYSE: MA) today announced that on Nov. 3, 1990, it distributed to May shareowners of record on Oct. 15, 1990, 16,046,900 shares of common stock of Venture Stores, Inc. This distribution completed May's previously announced disposition of

Venture, May's wholly-owned discount retail subsidiary.

For those May shareowners who were entitled to fractional shares of Venture common stock, Boatmen's Trust Company, the distribution agent for the spin-off distributed cash with respect to fractional shares on the basis of $6.6993 per share (the net price after selling commissions at which the distribution agent sold the aggregate Venture common stock fractional shares on behalf of all May shareowners entitled to fractional shares).

May has received tax opinions of counsel and of its independent public accountants that May shareowners will not recognize gain or loss by reason of the spin-off (except for cash received for fractional shares, if any). May has also been advised that the aggregate basis of the May common stock and of the Venture common stock (including fractional share interests, if any) received by a May shareowner upon the spin-off will be the same as the May shareowner's aggregate basis in May common stock before the spin-off and will be allocated in proportion to the fair market value of each. For purposes of this allocation, and based on the averages of the high and low prices, on Friday, Nov. 2, 1990, and on Monday, Nov. 5, 1990, of May common stock and of Venture common stock, the May common stock constitutes 97.64 percent of the aggregate basis and the Venture common stock constitutes 2.36 percent of the aggregate basis.

CONTACT: Jim Abrams of May, 314-342-6343

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE: KLT) today reaffirmed its commitment to its all cash, fully financed tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE).

Drue Jennings, president and chief executive officer of Kansas City Power & Light, said, "Our offer remains open and frankly we see no urgency to change our position right now. First, we have unanswered questions from Kansas Gas and Electric. Second, nothing is known about the facts underpinning The Kansas Power and Light Company's offer."

Jennings continued, "We remain firm in the commitments we have made to Kansas Gas and Electric's shareholders, customers, employees and communities. Our applications with the Kansas Corporation Commission, the Missouri Public Service Commission and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission continue to progress in a timely fashion and we will continue to take all steps necessary to receive final approval for a merger with Kansas Gas and Electric. We await The Kansas Power and Light Company's filings with these same regulatory and governmental commissions."

On July 23, 1990, Kansas City Power & Light commenced an all cash, fully financed tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of Kansas Gas and Electric.

The offer price of $27 per share for the common stock, approximately $857 million in the aggregate, represents a 37 percent premium over the market price of Kansas Gas and Electric common stock on July 20, 1990, the last trading day prior to the commencement of Kansas City Power & Light's offer. The tender offer is scheduled to expire on Nov. 30, 1990 at 7 p.m., New York City Time, unless the offer is further extended.

CONTACT: J. Turner White of Kansas City Power & Light, (816) 556-2997, or Joele Frank of Adams & Rinehart, (212) 557-0100, for Kansas City Power & Light.

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#90310p3864 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Pit Stop Auto Centers Inc. of Oklahoma City, Okla. (NASDAQ: PSAC) today announced it has finalized the acquisition of two Grease Monkey automotive lube centers in Phoenix, Ariz. from DRV Inc., a franchisee of Grease Monkey International Inc. of Denver, Colo.

Pit Stop will operate the centers under the Pit Stop USA name, and they will no longer be affiliated with the Grease Monkey franchise organization. The acquisition brings the number of lubrication centers operated by Pit Stop in the Phoenix area to 13.

The company intends to continue its expansion in the Phoenix market, and is currently negotiating for additional locations. It had earlier announced a rejection of an offer from Grease Monkey Holding Corp. to acquire Pit Stop Auto Centers in an exchange of stock. Pit Stop Auto Centers Inc. completed a $4 million public stock offering on July 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Tom E. Hays of Pit Stop Auto Centers Inc., (405) 843-9632; or Michael Fearnow of D.A.M. Associates, (713) 840-7500.

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#90310p3872 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARSIPPANY, NJ (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - General Public Utilities Corp. (NYSE: GPU) today announced that the presiding administrative law hudge has accepted a stipulation between GPU's New Jersey subsidiary, Jersey Central Power & Light Co. (JCP&L); the staff of the Board of Public Utilities of the state of New Jersey; and the New Jersey Public Advocate's Division of Rate Counsel settling JCP&L's base rate increase application pending before the BPU.

The settlement has been forwarded to the BPU for its approval. The stipulation provides for an increase in base rates of about $95.5 million annually or an

overall increase in revenues of approximately 6.1 percent.

Upon approval, JCP&L also would begin collecting approximately $22 million of additional revenues which were approved by the BPU during the company's last energy adjustment clause proceeding, the recovery of which was deferred until the completion of this case. The additional revenues are to provide for the capacity costs associated with non- utility generation under contract with the company.

The stipulation also provides for funding decommissioning of the company's nuclear generating stations predicated upon both the Nuclear Regulatory Commission guidelines for the decommissioning of nuclear power plants and the cost of removing non-radiological materials from the sites. In addition, JCP&L would contribute $30 million to a decommissioning trust. Half of this amount would not be reflected in customer charges.

CONTACT: Ray E. Dotter of GPU, 201-263-6231

-30- 1707

#90310p3873 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Global Utilities, Inc. (AMEX: TGU), today announced its monthly dividend from net investment income of $0.06 per share payable Nov. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 16, 1990.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Mistele of Templeton Global Utilities, 800-237-0738

-30- 480

#90310p3877 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENSBORO, NC (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Oakwood Homes Corporation (NYSE: OH) today reported sales, total revenues and earnings for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 and for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the fourth quarter were a record $32,043,000, compared with $23,078,000, for the same quarter of last year, an increase of 39 percent. Total revenues for the fourth quarter were a record $40,552,000, compared with $31,457,000, for the same quarter of last year, an increase of 29 percent. Net income for the quarter was $1,879,000, compared with last year's $1,319,000, an increase of 42 percent. Net earnings per share were 36 cents on a primary basis and 33 cents on a fully diluted basis, compared with last year's 25 cents on both a primary and fully diluted basis. Last year's fourth quarter included a gain, net of taxes, of approximately $1,100,000, or 21 cents per share, related to the sale of one of the company's manufactured housing communities.

Fiscal year sales were a record $106,955,000, compared with $76,532,000, for

the comparable period last year, an increase of 40 percent. Fiscal year total revenues were a record $137,194,000, compared with $106,355,000, for the comparable period last year, an increase of 29 percent. Net income for fiscal 1990 was $5,485,000, compared with $2,836,000, for the same period last year, an increase of 93 percent. Net earnings per share were $1.05 on a primary basis and $1.03 on a fully diluted basis, compared with 54 cents per share on both a primary and fully diluted basis for the comparable period last year.

Nicholas J. St. George, Oakwood's president and chief executive officer, said: "We are extremely pleased with these record results -- they clearly demonstrate a continuation of our recovery trend."

Oakwood Homes Corporation and its subsidiaries are engaged primarily in the production and sale of manufactured housing in North and South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Tennessee, Georgia, Delaware, Kentucky and Ohio.

CONTACT: C. Michael Kilbourne of Oakwood Homes, 99-855-2400

-30- 2271

#90310p3878 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Global Income Fund, Inc., (NYSE: GIM), today announced a monthly dividend from net investment income of $0.075 per share.

The dividend is payable November 30, 1990, to shareholders of record November 16, 1990.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Mistele, secretary of Templeton Global Income Fund, Inc., 1-800-237-0738.

-30- 537

#90310p3879 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH WILKESBORO, N.C. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Lowe's Companies, Inc. (NYSE: LOW) announced its October sales totaled $258.5 million, a 5 percent decrease from October of 1989. Sales to retail customers increased 5 percent and sales to contractors decreased 20 percent.

The table below presents sales comparisons and trends: 5 Weeks Ended:

	November 2, 1990			November 3, 1989	
	Pct. Change	Total Sales (000,000)	Pct of Total	Total Sales (000,000)	Pct of Total
Retail Sales	+ 5	$171.6	66	$163.6	60
Contractor Sales	- 20	$ 86.9	34	$108.3	40
Total Sales	- 5	$258.5	100	$271.9	100
Comparable					

Stores(a)(277)	- 10	$229.2	89	$255.2	94	New
Projects(b)(28)	+102	$ 29.3	11	$ 14.5	5	
Closed Stores(c)		-	-	$ 2.2	1	
Total Stores(305)		$258.5	100	$271.9	100	

(a) Stores open more than one year on October 1 with comparable been retrofitted or relocated within the past twelve months (c) 6 stores closed through October 1990.

Relocated stores were opened in Crown Point, North Carolina and Lancaster, Ohio during the month. Remerchandising projects in two stores were completed.

Lowe's now operates 305 stores in 20 states, in the South Atlantic and South Central regions of the United States. Lowe's is a specialty retailer pursuing three businesses in our stores: the home center do-it-yourself business, the consumer durables business, and the building contractor business.

CONTACT: For further information, including weekly sales data, contact W. Cliff Oxford or Clarissa S. Felts of Lowe's Companies, Inc., 919-651-4631 or 919-651-4254

-30- 2015

#90310p3882 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Cincinnati Milacron Inc. (NYSE: CMZ) today declared regular quarterly dividends of 18 cents per share on common stock and $1.00 per share on preferred stock.

To holders of record Nov. 23, 1990, dividends on common stock will be paid on Dec. 12, 1990, and dividends on preferred stock will be paid on Dec. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: Albert Beaupre of Cincinnati Milacron, 513-841-7241

-30- 582

#90310p3883 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Edward E. Whitacre Jr., chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Southwestern Bell Corp., has been elected a member of the board of directors of Emerson Electric Co., (NYSE: EMR) it was announced today by Charles F. Knight, chairman and chief executive officer of Emerson.

Southwestern Bell, a St. Louis-based communications company, has subsidiaries operating throughout the United States and in several foreign countries.

Whitacre is a member of the Business Roundtable, and serves on the boards of Anheuser-Busch Companies Inc.; May Department Stores Co.; Mercantile Bancorporation Inc.; and Texas Tech University and its Health Sciences Center

Research Foundation.

He also is a trustee of Washington University in St. Louis and serves on the boards of the Boy Scouts of America, St. Louis Area Council; the United Way of Greater St. Louis; and the St. Louis Art Museum.

Emerson Electric Co. manufactures a broad range of electronic, electrical and other products for consumer, commercial and industrial markets. The company's fiscal 1990 revenues totaled $7.6 billion.

CONTACT: William K. Anderson or James R. Orso, 314-982-1700, both of Emerson Electric Co.

-30- 1389

#90310p3886 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB's Trust Group investment performance continues to rank high among money managers nationally, with one fund ranking in the top 2 percent of equity money managers for five years ending Sept. 30.

NCNB's Consolidated Equity Fund achieved that ranking in numbers recently released by CDA Investment Technologies, Inc., an independent investment performance measurement service based in Rockville, Md.

This $231 million fund outperformed the Standard & Poor's Composite Index by 570 basis points during the last year, through both up and down markets. The most recent year ranking is consistent with the outstanding long-term record.

"The fund portfolio focuses on large capitalization issues which possess strong quantitative and qualitative characteristics," said Ed Riley, director of Equity Investments for NCNB. "The intent is to own 'in favor' issues which have superior growth characteristics when compared to other stocks with similar risk profiles," Riley added.

Also showing superior performance was NCNB's Employee Benefit Mortgage-Backed Securities Fund. The $134 million fund has ranked number one in the CDA universe for the last one-, two- and three- year periods.

CDA ranks funds managed by more than 1,500 banks, insurance companies, investment advisers and mutual funds across the United States.

NCNB Trust oversees $68 billion in client assets. Its clients include individual trust accounts, corporate retirement plans, foundations, endowments and public entities.

NCNB Corporation (NYSE: NCB) is a $69 billion bank holding company with full-service banks in 7 states.

CONTACT: Ellison Clary of NCNB Corporation, 704-386-8633

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#90310p3889 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Income Portfolio today published its financial position for the fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT INCOME PORTFOLIO

	10/31/90	7/31/90	10/31/89
Net assets	$203,681,823	$207,133,943	$205,563,264
Net asset value/share	$8.73	$8.96	$9.16

Dividends of $0.0885 per share were declared on Oct. 25 and Sept. 21. On Aug. 22, the monthly dividend of $0.0885 per share on the common stock, plus an extra $0.01 per share special dividend, totaling $0.0985 per share, were declared.

The American Government Income Portfolio is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, currently has in excess of $3.5 billion under management. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated (NASDAQ: PIPR), an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

CONTACT: Nancy Strom Solhaug of Piper Capital Management, (612) 342-6384.

-30- 1309

#90310p3890 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Income Fund (NYSE: AGF) today published its financial position for the fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT INCOME FUND

	10/31/90	7/31/90	10/31/89
Net assets	$139,245,437	$142,348,447	$141,166,723
Net asset value/share	$6.76	$6.96	$7.09

Dividends of $0.07 per share were declared on Oct. 25 and Sept. 21. On Aug. 22, the monthly dividend of $0.07 per share on the common stock, plus an extra $0.01 per share special dividend, totaling $0.08 per share, were declared.

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Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, currently has in excess of $3.5 billion under management. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated (NASDAQ: PIPR), an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90310p3894 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BINGHAMTON, NY (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Connecticut Resource Recovery Authority (CRRA) announced that Resource Recycling Technologies, Inc. (AMEX: RRT) of Binghamton, N.Y., through its subsidiary, RRT Empire Returns Corp., was selected as the preferred vendor to design, install and operate a material recycling facility for Hartford, Conn. and surrounding communities. The board of directors of the CRRA has authorized its staff to finalize a contract with RRT Empire.

The proposed $2.1 million modification and equipping of an existing CRRA building will allow the processing for resale of up to 200 tons of commingled bottles, cans and plastics per day. The facility will be located in Hartford and is currently scheduled to begin operations in the fourth quarter of 1991.

RRT is a leading integrated recycling company. It currently operates five material recycling facilities (MRFs), two plastics facilities and is constructing two additional MRFs.

CONTACT: Brian Feeley of Resource Recycling Technologies, Inc., (607) 729-9331.

-30- 1226

#90310p3895 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Kern River Gas Transmission Company has received key regulatory approval of its contracts with natural gas shippers, who have made final commitments to ship sufficient volumes to underwrite construction of the Wyoming-to-California pipeline system.

As a result, Kern River has directed steel mills to begin making plate and rolling pipe under previously negotiated contracts. On-site deliveries will begin in December to coincide with the start of construction.

"These are truly significant developments, not only for Kern River, but for our Rocky Mountain and Canadian suppliers and the California marketplace," Vernon T. Jones, president of The Williams Companies, Inc. (NYSE: WMB), and Robert C. Thomas, chairman and chief executive officer of Tenneco Gas, said in a joint statement. The project is a joint venture of Williams and Tenneco Inc. (NYSE: TGT).

Last week, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approved Kern River's contracts with shippers. Kern River announced today final re-confirmation of shipper volumes in excess of the 500 million cubic feet per day (MMcfd) necessary to underwrite the project.

Contractual commitments with shippers on the remaining firm volumes of the 700 MMcfd initial capacity of the system are expected to be completed shortly.

Bids for construction have been received and support the project's economics. Construction contracts for the initial two spreads, one in southern Utah and the other in Nevada, will be let later this month.

Construction of the northern half of the system will be in the summer and fall of next year. Gas is expected to flow on Jan. 1, 1992.

Williams is a Tulsa-based corporation that operates a nationwide digital telecommunications network and more than 25,000 miles of pipelines, which transport natural gas and petroleum products.

Tenneco is a Houston-based, diversified company with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, shipbuilding, automotive parts, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

CONTACT: Jim Gipson of the Williams Companies, 918-588-2111

-30- 2304

#90310p3897 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) issued the following debenture pricing:

DEBENTURE PRICING

Date of Offering:	Nov. 7, 1990	
Price:	99.875 pct.	98.8281 pct.
Issue Date:	Nov. 13, 1990	
Term:	5 years	30 years
Callable on or after:	11/10/93	11/10/95
Interest Rate:	8.40 pct.	9.50 pct.
Yield:	8.431 pct.	9.62 pct.
Amount (millions):	$400	$450
Maturity Date:	11/10/95	11/10/20
Date of First Interest Payment (then semi-annually):	5/10/91	5/10/91

The debentures of Nov. 10, 1995, and the debentures of Nov. 10, 2020, are redeemable on or after Nov. 10, 1993, and Nov. 10, 1995, respectively, in whole or in part at the option of the corporation at any time (and from time

to time).

The redemption price of the debentures of Nov. 10, 1995, will be 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption. The redemption price of the debentures of Nov. 10, 2020, initially will be 106.662 percent of the principal amount redeemed plus accrued interest on the principal amount redeemed.

The redemption price of the debentures of Nov. 10, 2020, will decrease annually on each Nov. 10, commencing Nov. 10, 1996, through Nov. 10, 2015, as will be set forth in the Supplement to the Guide to Debt Securities information statement relating to those debentures.

The amount payable for any redemptions on or after Nov. 10, 2015, and at maturity will be equal to 100 percent of the then outstanding principal balance, plus accrued interest.

The net proceeds of this offering will be used to redeem in part the $300,000,000 of Series SM-1990-A 10.90 percent debentures and the $1,000,000,000 of Series SM-1990-L 7.00 percent debentures that mature Nov. 12 1990.

Debentures will be issued in book-entry form only. The minimum purchase is $10,000 and multiples of $5,000 thereafter. The offering is being made through Fannie Mae's Senior Vice President - Finance and Treasurer, Gary L. Perlin, and Vice President and Assistant Treasurer, Linda K. Knight, 3900 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016, assisted by a nationwide selling group of recognized securities dealers.

CONTACT: Tom Marder of Fannie Mae, (202) 752-7608.

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#90310p3898 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MADRID, (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - ENDESA (NYSE: ELE) announced today that it has entered into an agreement, together with other major European utilities, to incorporate a new company which will be responsible for electric generation and transmission in the former East German territory. West German utilities will control 85 percent of the company's capital, while ENDESA will have an equity interest of between 3.5 percent and 4 percent, being the second largest non-German shareholder after ELECTRICITE DE FRANCE. Other European participants will be TRACTEBEL and SPE, of Belgium, and L'OUEST SUISSE, of Switzerland.

ENDESA's share in the new company's initial investment, pending final evaluation, is estimated at less than 1 percent of ENDESA's net utility plant, with a similar amount of additional investment to be made in 1991 and 1992.

ENDESA chairman, Feliciano Fuster, has stated that the three objectives of the new company will be: the creation of an institutional framework for the operation of existing non-nuclear generation and transmission facilities, the refurbishing of existing installed capacity and transmission equipment, and the construction of non-nuclear generating plants and transmission lines.

CONTACT: Tom Black of Bill Pfund of The P.L. Thomas Group, 312-906-8060, for ENDESA; or Fernando Lario of ENDESA, in New York, 212-764-0550

-30- 1547

#90310p3902 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWALK, CONN. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Trans-Lux Corporation (AMEX: TLX) today reported earnings of $.03 per share for the third quarter and $.08 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to $.06 and $.22 respectively for the prior year.

Gross revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $5.1 million and for the nine months $14.9 million vs. $6.0 million and $15.6 million respectively for the 1989 periods.

Commenting on the results, Richard Brandt, chairman of the board, said: "The third quarter showed relatively flat results compared to the first two quarters of 1990. We currently face an unfavorable economic environment, which has particularly impacted our largest market for LED information displays, the securities and banking industries. By means of tightened expense controls and movement into new markets, we have been able to manage the downside. The entertainment division continues to run slightly ahead of last year and our financial position remains strong."

Trans-Lux Corporation has two operating divisions, the communications division designs, leases, sells and services large-scale LED information displays, credit terminals, facsimile equipment and teleprinters. The entertainment division operates a chain of theaters in the southwest and other theatrical properties.

TRANS-LUX CORPORATION
Results of Operations
(unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Gross revenues	$5,111,000	$5,984,000	$14,893,000	$15,648,000
Inc. before taxes	74,000	140,000	185,000	528,000
Net income	44,000	84,000	111,000	317,000
Earns. per share (A)	$0.03	$0.06	$0.08	$0.22
Avg. common shares outstanding	1,458,420	1,505,889	1,464,946	1,472,715

(A) Earnings per share are based on average common shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Victor Liss of Trans-Lux, 203-853-4321

-30- 2255

#90310p3904 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELMIRA, NY (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Artistic Greetings Incorporated (NASDAQ: ARTG) today announced its board of directors authorized the repurchase of up to 200,000 common shares, or approximately five (5) percent of the shares outstanding.

The company also said it expects to report record sales for the current quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990.

The company reported sales in the fourth quarter last year of $7,588,000. The company said the current quarter sales could exceed $12,500,000 based on its current incoming order trend.

Stuart Komer, president and chairman, said the share buyback follows the recently completed buyback of 275,000 shares initiated in 1987. Purchases will be made from time to time in the open market or through private transactions, Komer stated.

Artistic currently has approximately 3,700,000 shares outstanding, which include 1,500,000 owned by greeting card giant, American Greetings (NASDAQ: AGREA) of Cleveland.

CONTACT: Paul E. Hornbuckle, corporate controller of Artistic Greetings Incorporated, 607-733-5541

-30- 1243

#90310p3905 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Flight attendants employed by WestAir (United Express), represented by the Association of Flight Attendants (AFA), today ratified a first-time contract with the company by confidential mail ballot. The contract was ratified by 93 percent of those voting.

On average, flight attendant pay rates will increase 29.9 percent on Dec. 1, 1990, and will rise another 3 percent in June 1992. Over the life of the three year agreement, flight attendants will receive wage and longevity increases in excess of 64 percent in all brackets. The magnitude of the increases reflect the fact that WestAir flight attendants' wages, which had not been adjusted since 1987, have been among the lowest in the regional airline industry for several years, according to AFA. The pay scale was lengthened from two to seven years. Other pay provisions include: trip guarantee (pay protection for trip cancellation), minimum daily guarantee for

reserve flight attendants, 100 percent deadhead pay, premium pay if drafted to fly on a day off and per diem for each trip hour.

Other significant improvements were made in sick leave provisions, maternity leave and scheduling protections. The contract also includes seniority protection, a furlough procedure with recall rights and a voluntary furlough provision in the event of a reduction of workforce.

Scope and successorship language and merger protection were negotiated by AFA. AFA was also successful in obtaining agency shop and dues check off provisions.

Negotiations between the WestAir flight attendants and management began on Jan. 9, 1989. The agreement was reached on Sept. 28 after almost 21 months of negotiations. The flight attendants voted to be represented by AFA in May 1988.

WestAir employs 200 flight attendants and has its headquarters in Fresno, Calif., with additional flight attendant bases located in Los Angeles, San Francisco and Sacramento, Calif., and at Washington-Dulles (currently operated as Atlantic Coast Airlines). The contract will cover an additional 14 flight attendants from NPA, Inc. when the merger of that operation with WestAir is completed. Atlantic Coast and NPA, also United Express carriers, are both subsidiaries of WestAir Holding, Inc. (AMEX: WAH).

"The WestAir flight attendants are long overdue for the pay improvements and work rules contained in this contract," said Susan Bianchi-Sand, AFA national president. "They can be proud that their wages, which were once among the lowest in the regional airline industry, are now among the highest."

The Association of Flight Attendants, AFL-CIO, represents 30,000 flight attendants on 18 airlines and is the largest flight attendant union in the world.

CONTACT: Eileen Willenborg, 708-297-5407, or Lorraine Bennett, 202-328-5400, both of the Association of Flight Attendants

-30- 3068

#90310p3906 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DONALDSONVILLE, La. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Melamine Chemicals, Inc., (NASDAQ: MTWO), today announced the declaration of a quarterly dividend and the adoption of a share purchase rights plan.

James W. Crook, chairman, stated that the board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 6 cents per common share payable on Nov. 30, 1990 to record holders as of Nov. 19, 1990.

The board of directors also adopted a share purchase rights plan pursuant to which it declared a dividend distribution of one preferred share purchase right on each outstanding share of Melamine Chemicals common stock.

Crook stated: "The rights plan, which is similar to plans adopted by hundreds of other companies, is designed to discourage any abusive tactics to gain control of Melamine Chemicals, Inc. without paying all stockholders a control premium and to assure that all of Melamine Chemicals' stockholders receive fair and equal treatment in the event of a takeover bid."

The rights will be exercisable if a person or group acquires 10 percent or more of Melamine Chemicals' common stock or announces a tender offer the consummation of which would result in ownership by such a person or group of 10 percent or more of the common stock. The terms of the rights plan provide that the current holdings of the company's major stockholders, Ashland Chemical, Inc. (a wholly owned subsidiary of Ashland Oil, Inc.) and First Mississippi Corporation, each of which owns approximately 23 percent of Melamine's common stock, will not trigger the provisions of the plan.

If the rights are triggered, each right will entitle its holder (other that such person or members of such group) to purchase, at the right's then-current exercise price, a number of Melamine Chemicals' common shares having a market value of twice such price.

Melamine Chemicals, Inc. is engaged in the production and marketing of melamine, a specialty chemical having numerous industrial and commercial applications. The company is actively engaged in the development of new melamine process and applications technology. The company is one of only two producers of melamine in North America and one of the five largest producers worldwide.

CONTACT: James W. Crook, chairman, or Roger E. Thomas, president, both of Melamine, 504-473-3121; or Ron Como & Associates, 212-227-3010, for Melamine

-30- 2554

#90310p3907 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NILES, OHIO (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - RMI Titanium Co. (NYSE: RTI) announced today that it has decided to delay the construction of its previously announced titanium tetrachloride ("TiCl4") facility in Ashtabula, Ohio.

Instead, RMI is in the process of negotiating a multi-year TiCl4 supply arrangement with its current supplier.

The board of directors has authorized this action in recognition of current uncertain economic conditions in titanium and sponge markets as well as to ensure that RMI will be able to fund the development costs of projected new businesses. RMI intends to intensify its efforts to develop new products

directed at nonaerospace titanium markets.

RMI, headquartered in Niles, Ohio, is a leading manufacturer of titanium sponge, mill products and powder. The company's products are used principally in military and commercial aircraft and engines, chemical processing equipment mesh for bridge and deck repair, pulp and paper production facilities and medical implants.

RMI became a public corporation on April 20, 1990, with common stock trading on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "RTI." There are 14,981,400 shares of common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Crystal L. Revak of RMI Titanium Co., 216-544-7622

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SEATTLE (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to inquiries, Plum Creek Timber Co., L.P. (the "Partnership") (NYSE: PCL) today clarified that the 80 cent distribution for the Third Quarter of 1990 will be distributed on Nov. 29 to unitholders of record as of Nov. 16.

CONTACT: Shelley Cochran of Plum Creek Timber Co., L.P., 206-467-3687; or Mike Pollock of Fleishman-Hillard Inc., 213-629-4974, for Plum Creek Timber Co., L.P.

-30- 604

#90310p3912 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines said today that dividends on the company's $2.84 Depositary Preferred Shares (EAL PrD), representing interests in the company's 11.36 percent cumulative junior preferred stock, will be paid in cash by Continental Airlines Holdings, Inc. (formerly Texas Air Corporation) pursuant to Continental Holdings' guarantee of dividend payments at a rate of $.7100 payable on Nov. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 15, 1990.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, 305-873-3773

-30- 691

#90310p3922 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) today reported traffic results for October 1990.

Revenue passenger miles (RPMs) totaled 4.836 billion during October, a decrease of 1.1 percent from the same month a year ago. Available seat miles (ASMs) rose 7.4 percent to 8.752 billion for the month. Load factor for

October 1990 was 55.26 percent.

Delta's 1990 traffic figures continue to reflect the impact of a strike against a major competitor which has now resumed operations.

Delta Air Lines' October 1990 Traffic

	October 1990	October 1989	Pct. chg.
RPMs (000)	4,836,000	4,889,500	-1.1
ASMs (000)	8,751,700	8,151,200	+7.4
Load Factor	55.26 percent	59.99	
Percent Passengers Boarded	5,323,300	5,638,300	

1990 Year-To-Date

	1990 YTD	1989 YTD	Pct. chg.
RPMs (000)	49,470,000	49,960,000	-1.0
ASMs (000)	82,865,500	77,770,800	+6.6
Load Factor	59.70 percent	64.24	
Percent Passengers Boarded	55,130,800	57,254,100	

CONTACT: Delta public relations, (404) 765-2534.

-30- 1402

#90310p3924 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Harley-Davidson, Inc. (NYSE: HDI) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to one million shares, or approximately 5.6 percent, of Harley-Davidson, Inc. outstanding common stock. The repurchases are authorized to be made from time to time depending on market conditions.

Richard F. Teerlink, president and chief executive officer of Harley Davidson, Inc., stated that the company's board believes the current price of Harley-Davidson stock does not reflect the true value of the company.

Teerlink also announced that Harley-Davidson has continued its program of repurchasing its 7-1/4 percent convertible debentures. Through the end of October the company had repurchased $18.4 million of its 7-1/4 percent notes and will continue this program as market conditions permit, he said.

Harley-Davidson, Inc., the only American motorcycle manufacturer, produces heavyweight motorcycles and a complete line of motorcycle parts and accessories. Its Holiday Rambler subsidiary is a leading manufacturer of premium recreational vehicles, specialized commercial vehicles and a diverse range of related products. Harley-Davidson, Inc. is also a manufacturing contractor for a variety of industries, including the U.S. Department of Defense.

CONTACT: Ken Schmidt of Harley-Davidson, 414-935-4538

-30- 1562

#90310p3926 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARSIPPANY, NJ (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Standley H. Hoch, chairman, president and chief executive officer of General Public Utilities Corp. (NYSE: GPU), announced today that Susan S. Schepman has been named vice president of communications for the corporation.

Schepman will join GPU on Dec. 1, 1990, and will formally assume her duties on Jan. 1, 1991. She is currently senior vice president at Fleishman-Hillard Inc. a St. Louis-based public relations firm. Schepman will replace William L. Gifford, who retires on Dec. 31, 1990, after ten years of service.

"Susan not only has a broad range of experience in the communications field, but she has also become familiar with GPU during the past 18 months while serving as a consultant through her position at Fleishman-Hillard," Hoch said. "She will be a strong addition to our corporate staff."

Schepman has more than 16 years of experience in the financial communications and corporate public relations fields, working with clients in the electrical utility industry as well as with several Fortune 100 companies. Prior to joining Fleishman-Hillard in 1984, Schepman was vice president of communications for two leading Missouri financial institutions.

GPU, headquartered in Parsippany, provides approximately 39 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity for approximately 1.9 million customers through three operating companies - Jersey Central Power & Light Co., Metropolitan Edison Co. and Pennsylvania Electric Co. It serves approximately half the land area of Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

CONTACT: Phyllis A. Rieger of GPU, (201) 263-6779.

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#90310p3927 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Cincinnati Milacron Inc. (NYSE: CMZ) today, after declaring its regular quarterly dividend of 18 cents per share on common stock, reported third quarter 1990 sales of $234 million, up from sales of $228 million in the third quarter of 1989. Third quarter earnings from continuing operations were $2.1 million, or 8 cents per share, down from $4.2 million, or 17 cents per share last year. Net earnings in the quarter were $1.6 million, or 6 cents per share, compared to $2.5 million, or 10 cents per share, in the year-ago quarter. Net earnings in both quarters included losses from discontinued operations.

New Orders; Backlog
New orders of $248 million were at good levels, off only slightly from $252 million in the third quarter of 1989 and up sharply over $164 million in the second quarter of the current year. With orders exceeding shipments, the backlog rose to $330 million, up from $315 million at the end of the previous quarter.

New business for aerospace equipment was very strong and included significant orders from the Boeing Company and General Electric Company.

"New orders would be even stronger if it weren't for the soft U.S. economy and concern over the crisis in the Middle East," said Daniel J. Meyer, president and chief executive officer.

"These same factors also held back earnings," Meyer said. "In particular, softness in the market for injection molding machines sharply curtailed profits in this business, and low levels of demand and delays in certain shipments led to losses in our factories for coordinate measuring equipment and precision grinding machines."

Discontinued Businesses
As previously announced, Milacron has signed a letter of intent to sell its industrial robot business to ABB Robotics Inc. This divestiture is part of Milacron's overall strategy to concentrate on areas of long-term growth within its core businesses. The transaction should be completed in the near future and is not expected to have a material effect on the company's earnings.

Milacron also announced its intention to phase out machine tool manufacturing operations in its plant in Vlaardingen, Holland. This facility will continue to produce metalworking fluids for the European market. The action is contingent on obtaining the consents required under Dutch law. Provision for this action was made in a prior year; however, an additional charge may be necessary, depending on the outcome of future events. The sales and earnings of the machine tool operations in the Vlaardingen plant have not had a significant effect on the company's consolidated financial results in recent years.

CONTACT: Albert Beaupre of Cincinnati Milacron, 513-841-7241

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#90310p3928 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOSTON (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - XTRA Corporation (NYSE: XTR) today announced that its board of directors declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of 18 cents per share, payable on Nov. 30, 1990, to common stockholders of record on Nov. 21, 1990.

The board also declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of $.484375 per

share on the $1.9375 Series B Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock payable on Dec. 1, 1990, to preferred stockholders of record on Nov. 21, 1990.

XTRA Corporation is engaged in transportation services, primarily the leasing, on an operating basis, of intermodal equipment, including piggyback trailers and domestic containers and chassis, as well as over-the-road trailers.

CONTACT: Michael J. Soja, vice president-finance and administration of XTRA Corporation, 617-367-7810

-30- 983

#90310p3933 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - A. O. Smith (AMEX: SMC) President and Chief Executive Officer Robert J. O'Toole announced today that Bill W. Wilcock, chairman of the corporation's Automotive Products Company since 1987, has decided to relinquish his duties with the company to pursue other interests.

O'Toole, in commenting on Wilcock's leaving, credited him with contributing to significant change and innovation in the Automotive Company's management and organizational processes in the rapidly changing environment of the late '80s. He acknowledged Wilcock's contributions to the Automotive Products Company in implementing strategic planning at all levels of the organization, promoting employee development programs, stressing process improvement in the area of technology, quality and administration, and laying the groundwork for greater business unit focus on customer service and responsiveness.

O'Toole also announced that he will assume the leadership of the Automotive Products Company while continuing to serve as the Milwaukee-based corporation's president and CEO. He said that under a restructured organization, there will be greater integration of certain staff functions of the Automotive Products Company and the corporation's headquarters.

A. O. Smith, with its subsidiaries and affiliates, is a diversified manufacturer headquartered in Milwaukee. Its product lines include auto and truck structural components, fractional horsepower and hermetic electric motors, residential and commercial water heating systems, fiberglass reinforced piping systems, inorganic protective industrial coatings, agricultural feed storage systems, agricultural financing, industrial/municipal water and bulk storage systems.

CONTACT: Edward J. O'Connor of A. O. Smith, 414-359-4100

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#90310p3936 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - At a regular meeting today of the board of directors of The St. Paul Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: STPL), a regular

quarterly dividend of $.60 per share was declared payable Jan. 17, 1991, to shareholders of record as of the close of business Dec. 31, 1990.

The company has paid cash dividends without interruption for 118 years. The St. Paul Companies owns a number of businesses providing insurance and insurance-related products and services to customers in the commercial, industrial, institutional and personal marketplaces. Its members include St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, Seaboard Surety Company, St. Paul Reinsurance Management Corporation, St. Paul (UK) Limited, Minet Holdings PLC and John Nuveen & Co. Incorporated.

CONTACT: Suzi Kanyr Hagen of The St. Paul Companies, 612-221-8022

-30- 1025

#90310p3939 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Responding to inquiries from stockholders of National Intergroup, Inc. (NYSE: NII), the Centaur Partners Group announced today that the recent filing of a shelf registration statement covering Centaur shares held in margin accounts was merely to enable Centaur to sell an unlimited number of registered shares at a future date if and when it may determine to do so. However, Centaur stated that it has no present intention of selling any of its NII shares. In fact, Centaur stated that it recently has been an active buyer of NII stock - as indicated by its Oct. 17 13D filing in which Centaur disclosed an increase in its NII holdings by 1 percent to more than 17.5 percent of the outstanding shares.

CONTACT: Peter Rosenthal of Howard J. Rubenstein Associates, 212-489-6900, for Centaur Partners Group

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#90310p3940 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINNAMINSON, NJ (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Wall to Wall Sound & Video Inc. announced today that it has entered into a definitive agreement for the sale of substantially all of its assets to Wee Three Record Shops Inc., an indirect subsidiary of W.H. Smith PLC, a retail and distribution group based in the United Kingdom, for a purchase price of $23 million plus the value of inventory and the assumption of certain liabilities.

The agreement provides for the purchase of 57 store locations in the Northeast corridor and the inventory of the company located at the store locations and the company's warehouses. The agreement is subject to the approval of the bankruptcy court and to the satisfaction of certain other conditions.

CONTACT: Charles F. Dombrowski of Wall to Wall Sound & Video, 609-786-8300, or 215-629-1690

-30- 996
#90310p3950 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Fifth Dimension Inc. (NASDAQ: FIVD) a Trenton N.J.-based manufacturer of components and equipment for military, industrial and consumer users announces the following unaudited financial results for the quarters and nine months ended June 30, 1990 and 1989:

FIFTH DIMENSION INC.
(Unaudited)

Quarter to Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenue	$726,397	$751,954
Net income	16,442	(15,328)
Outstanding shares	729,122	729,122
Per share earnings	$0.02	($0.02)

Nine months to Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenue	$2,415,171	2,239,770
Net income	100,996	11,685
Outstanding shares	729,122	729,122
Per share earnings	$0.14	$0.02

CONTACT: Sheldon Bitko, president of Fifth Dimension, 609-393-8350

-30- 1211
#90310p3954 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard E. Lowrie Jr. has been promoted to chairman and chief executive officer, and Stephen D. Marr has been promoted to president and chief operating officer at John V. Carr & Son, Inc. Marr will replace Richard A. Hazel who announced he will retire as president Dec. 31, 1990.

Carr, a subsidiary of Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit, is a Detroit-based customs broker and freight forwarding firm with 41 offices in 15 states and Canada.

Lowrie, a 21-year veteran of Carr and a licensed U.S. customs broker, most recently was an executive vice president at Carr. He is past president and director of Northern Border Brokers Association, director of the National Customs Brokers & Forwarders Association, and a member of the Windsor Transportation Club, Detroit Transportation Club, Canadian Pulp and Paper Association, Propane Gas Association of Canada, and Detroit Athletic Club.

Marr joined Carr in 1970 and was an executive vice president prior to his promotion to president. He is a licensed U.S. customs broker and he holds a bachelor of arts degree from Northwood Institute. Marr is a member of the Economic Club of Detroit.

CONTACT: Sharon R. McMurray of Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit, 313-222-4881

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#90310p3956 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PONTIAC, MICH. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Perry Drug Stores, Inc. (NYSE: PDS) today announced several major developments, including aggressive cost-cutting measures, to position the company for future earnings growth. The actions include:

-- A major administrative cost reduction and operational restructuring program which will result in fiscal 1991 savings of approximately $5 million, and will reduce administrative staff by 10 percent.

-- The sale of the Health Care Division's unprofitable wholesale medical and surgical supply business which had annual revenues of about $7 million.

-- Election of, after careful study, a change in its method of accounting for store inventories from the retail method to a specific item cost method which more accurately reflects inventory value by eliminating the averaging and estimation inherent in the retail method.

The new inventory accounting method, while not mandatory, will help Perry in the long term, by more accurately determining margins on sales. As a result of the accounting change, Perry will record a one-time non- operating charge for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31.

The company also announced that sales for the fourth quarter ended Oct. 31 were negatively impacted by the deterioration of the economy and uncertainty over the Persian Gulf crisis which has reduced consumer spending. Because sales were below plan, Perry projects an operating loss for the fourth quarter. However, Perry expects to report an operating profit for the 1990 fiscal year.

Perry, a New York Stock Exchange company headquartered in Pontiac, operates 207 drugstores in Michigan and 21 in the Chicago area.

CONTACT: Jerry Stone, 313-674-7783, or Berl Falbaum, 313-674-7772, both of Perry Drug Stores, Inc.

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#90310p3957 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard A. Martens has been named chairman and chief executive officer of Security Pacific Bank Oregon, the bank announced today. The appointment will be effective Nov. 16, subject to formal

board approval, said Stanley D. Savage, president Security Pacific Bancorporation Northwest.

Martens will report to Savage, who in addition to his previous role as chairman of the Oregon bank, also serves as president of Security Pacific's Washington bank and the bank's Northwest holding company. Joseph H. Johnson, who has been president of Security Pacific Bank Oregon since its acquisition in April 1987, will continue in that position.

"Our first priority in Oregon was to return the bank to profitability, and we've done that," said Savage. "Now, we want to move Security Pacific to the next level, which is increasing our presence in the market. "Residing in Portland, Rich Martens, working with Joe Johnson and the rest of his management team, can help us do just that," he added.

Martens previously was executive vice president in charge of the Retail Lending Group of Security Pacific National Bank in Los Angeles where he had responsibility for credit administration, business lending, consumer lending and an auto finance subsidiary.

In addition, Martens played a key role in each of the bank's five acquisitions during the last three years, including management of the recent $4 billion deposit Gibralter Savings and Loan acqusition from the Resolution Trust Corp.

Martens joined Security Pacific in April 1988 as senior vice president in charge of Credit Administration for the Retail Bank. He subsequently formed the Consumer Lending and Business lending divisions. He was appointed to executive vice president in 1989.

Martens was formerly with Wells Fargo Bank from 1985 to 1988 where he served as a division administrator for the bank's Southern California retail branches. He was responsible for the integration of approximately 150 branches of Crocker Bank during its 1986 acquisition by Wells Fargo. He subsequently formed the Business Banking Division, which focused on serving the banking needs of small businesses through the retail branch system.

Prior to his time as Wells Fargo, Martens spent 12 years at Union Bank where he served as a commercial lending officer, senior credit officer and four years as regional vice president. Martens served nearly five years as a Naval officer before starting his banking career.

CONTACT: C. Bruce Emry of Security Pacific Bancorporation Northwest, (206) 585-5536.

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#90310p3959 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - A strategic reorganization of

Prudential-Bache Capital Funding's domestic investment bank was announced today by George L. Ball, chairman and chief executive officer of Prudential-Bache Securities Inc.

Prudential-Bache Capital Funding is the investment and merchant banking, institutional and capital markets arm of Prudential-Bache Securities.

As part of the reorganization, James T. Gahan, president of Prudential-Bache Capital Funding, will oversee a five-member management team consisting of:

Alan Altschuler, executive vice president of Prudential-Bache and head of the firm's merchant bank;

Randall L-W. Caudill, managing director, head of mergers and acquisitions;

Henry S. Miller, managing director, head of the private financing and restructuring/reorganizing areas;

Alexander C. Schwartz, Jr., managing director, in charge of new business development; and

Paul V. Scura, managing director, responsible for the firm's investment banking activities with financial institutions.

James F. Crowley, who until recently served as president of investment and merchant banking, has resigned that position and will be assuming a new role as senior advisor to the investment bank. Gahan noted Crowley's significant contributions to Prudential-Bache and stated, "We look forward to Jim's continued association with the firm."

The repositioning will result in reductions in the professional and support staff of the domestic investment bank. The merchant banking, capital markets and institutional activities of Prudential-Bache Capital Funding will not be affected by these changes.

Prudential-Bache Securities Inc. is a worldwide investment banking and brokerage firm. Headquartered at One Seaport Plaza, New York City, the firm has over 340 offices in the United States and overseas. Prudential-Bache Securities is a subsidiary of The Prudential Insurance Company of America.

CONTACT: Eleanor Earle Mascheroni of Prudential-Bache, 212-214-3955 or -3957, or (evenings) 212-371-5374

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#90310p3961 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Production Company and Japex Gulf Producing Corp., today announced a joint venture to increase oil and gas

production in the Gulf of Mexico.

The joint venture will pursue seven exploitation prospects on five producing blocks in the western and central Gulf of Mexico. Oil and gas that is produced will be processed through existing production facilities operated by Amoco Production Company's offshore business unit in New Orleans.

This is the second joint venture between Amoco and Japex. The first, initiated in 1987, involved three offshore Gulf of Mexico tracts and one prospect onshore Louisiana.

"This joint venture allows us to accelerate our drilling on growth- oriented properties in the Gulf of Mexico," said Peter Jordan, Amoco's vice president in New Orleans. "It makes good business sense for Amoco and Japex to search for resources close to producing fields and existing infrastructure."

Japex Gulf Producing Corp.'s President Minoru Ito said: "Along with the existing successful joint venture, which is being jointly developed by Amoco and Japex, we are sure that this joint venture will also result in additional successes. We are very pleased that through such projects we can contribute in adding to the reserves of the nation." The prospects are located in federal waters offshore Louisiana and Texas in water depths of less than 300 feet. Objective target depths for the wells range from 11,000 feet to 18,000 feet. Drilling will begin this month and should be completed by year-end 1991.

Financial terms of the joint agreement were not disclosed. Japex Gulf Producing Corp., a Delaware corporation, was formed by Japan Petroleum Exploration Co., Ltd., which has headquarters in Tokyo. Japan National Oil Corporation, a government agency, is to be the other shareholder. Amoco Production Company is the worldwide exploration and production subsidiary of Amoco Corporation (NYSE: AN)

CONTACT: R.G. Thompson, 713-556-3704; or C.T. Geary, 312-856-5388, both of Amoco Corporation, Chicago

-30- 2246

#90310p3966 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSING, MICH. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Oldsmobile Division of General Motors has won the NHRA Manufacturer's Cup for the seventh consecutive year.

The Manufacturer's Cup was presented to Oldsmobile following the NHRA Winston Finals in Pomona, Calif., the season finale of the 19-event National Hot Rod Association championship drag-racing series. Oldsmobile Pro Stock drivers also won the Car Craft Pro Stock Cup, and three Team Oldsmobile racers -- John Force, Pat Austin and Blaine Johnson -- claimed 1990 NHRA championships.

NHRA founder and chairman of the board, Wally Parks, presented the Cup to

Oldsmobile Motorsports Manager Dennis Weglarz. "The NHRA Manufacturer's Championship is really a group award," said Weglarz. "It belongs not only to the people in Lansing who produce Oldsmobiles, but also to Oldsmobile's outstanding racers and their sponsors."

The Manufacturer's Cup is awarded annually to the automaker whose current model (1990) cars score the most points in the NHRA's three production-based categories (Pro Stock, Super Stock, and Stock). Oldsmobile won the Cup by a 26,000-point margin over runner-up Chevrolet.

Oldsmobile also captured the Car Craft Pro Stock Cup for the second consecutive year.

CONTACT: Ross Ruehle of Oldsmobile Division, 517-377-5660

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#90310p3970 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Manny Villafana, chairman and chief executive officer of Helix BioCore, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLIX), has scheduled a special informational meeting for all interested parties in Helix BioCore, including brokers and analysts, for Wednesday, Nov. 7, 1990 at the 12th Floor Auditorium of the Omni Northstar Hotel, 618 Second Ave. S., Minneapolis, starting at 3:30 p.m. No details of the subject of the informational meeting were released.

CONTACT: Manny Villafana, Richard W. Kramp, or Howard C. Root, of Helix BioCore, 612-553-7736

-30- 725

#90310p3972 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - PharmaKinetics Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PKLB) announced today a major reorganization to transform the company and its U.S. operations to meet the near-term challenges of improving liquidity and business development.

As part of this reorganization, V. Brewster Jones, currently president of PKLB's U.S. operations, has been promoted to chief executive officer and appointed a director. He replaces Steven A. Woodman, who has resigned his position as president, CEO and a director to assume a business development role for the company. Other reductions of overhead and general expenses, including reduction of administrative personnel, have been made in order to reduce cash requirements and to focus the company's resources on technical operations. Additionally, Mark B. Perkal, Ph.D., has resigned his position as executive vice president, chief scientific officer and a director to pursue other interests. He will be providing consulting services to PharmaKinetics at the request of the company. His day-to-day duties within the company have

been assumed by Lawrence J. Lesko, Ph.D., vice president in charge of analytical services, now also serving as chief scientific officer for the U.S. operations.

In recognition of':)e increasing importance of International Bio Research (IBR), the German1/20rubsidiary of PKLB, Christopher J. Holloway, Ph.D., managing director of IBR, was appointed a director of PKLB. IBR rehrLMYwts aproximately 55 percent of current revenue, having grown from $5 million to $8 million in revenue in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Commenting on this announcement, Jones noted that the contribution of Dr. Perkal has been especially instrumental in the development of PKLB. Jones added that this reorganization was an important step toward restructuring PKLB's U.S. operations and fos"continued growth of the North American and European operations.

PharmaKinetics Laboratories, Inc. is a leading drug development company providing services to pharmaceutical and biotechnology firms seeking new drug approvals in the United States and Europe.

CONTACT: V. Brewster Jones, president, chief executive officer, PharmaKinetics Laboratories, Inc., 301-385-4500

-30- 2447

#90310p3975 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILSON, NC (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Commercial Corporation (NYSE: STW) today reported sales for its second quarter ended September 30, 1990 of $260.5 million compared to $201.6 million for the same quarter of 1989, an increase of 29.2 percent. Net income of $3.6 million or $0.44 per share was recorded for the 1990 quarter compared with a loss of $5.5 million or $0.67 per share for the same quarter a year earlier.

Sales for the 1990 six months were $453.6 million, up from $399.0 million in the 1989 first half, an increase of 13.7 percent. Tobacco sales represented 63.1 percent of total sales, wool sales represented 35.9 percent and sales by other businesses made up the balance. Net income for the period was $3.8 million or $0.46 per share compared to a net loss of $6.3 million or $0.76 per share in 1989.

Tobacco sales for the first six months of 1990 were up 41 percent, from $202.8 million to $286.1 million, over the first half of 1989 and margins were better. The world market for tobacco is bullish and most stockpiles have been drawn down or depleted. The outlook for the remainder of fiscal 1991 is excellent, particularly in the international business, and sales are expected to exceed those of the previous fiscal year.

Wool sales at $162.7 million, including $10.6 million by companies acquired as

of April 1, 1990, were 13.8 percent down on the six months figure for 1989 and are expected to be well down for the fiscal year as a whole. However, there was a substantial improvement in wool margins in 1990, compared to 1989 which were adversely affected by an overall long stock position in a falling market.

Because of the seasonal nature of the Company's businesses, results for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results for the full year.

CONTACT: Guy M. Ross of Standard Commercial Corporation, 919-291-5507

-30- 2052

#90310p3977 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Ciprico Inc. (NASDAQ: CPCI) today announced fourth quarter and annual results for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30 1990. For the fiscal year, sales totaled $9.9 million, compared to $11.0 million for 1989. The net loss was $324,000, or 16 cents per share, versus a loss of $15,000, or 1 cent per share, for 1989.

Fourth quarter sales totaled $2.6 million, compared to $2.9 million in 1989. The net loss was $69,000, or 3 cents per share, compared to a loss of $171,000 or 9 cents per share, for the prior year period.

Robert H. Kill, president and chief executive officer, said, "While our performance is not yet satisfactory, we are seeing some strong signs of improvement. For the second consecutive quarter our revenues increased and our margins improved. We view this as renewed confidence in our core controller business as well as continued acceptance of our SCSI product offering. The margins reflect our commitment to incorporating a quality process into every aspect of our business."

Commenting on 1990 results, Kill continued, "The past year was a challenge for us. Our revenues did not adequately reflect our accomplishments. Our goal was to ship two new products late in the fiscal year. I am happy to report that we delivered the first revenue shipments of the RF 6600 and RF 5500 in the fourth quarter."

Looking ahead to 1991, Kill said, "We continue to invest in R&D and marketing to introduce our new array and PC products. Both products will play a significant role in contributing to revenues and, more importantly, will take Ciprico into new, larger markets in the coming year. Our backlog coming out of fiscal 1990 is up substantially over last year. We are encouraged by this increase and attribute it to the strength in the adapter business as well as the enthusiasm met by our new products."

Ciprico is a leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of intelligent controllers and adapters for disk and tape storage drives. The company's common stock trades on the NASDAQ national market system under the symbol CPCI.

CONTACT: Robert H. Kill or Cory J. Miller of Ciprico, 612-559-2034

-30- 2362

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CHICAGO (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Warehouse Club, Inc. (NASDAQ: WCLB) announced today that it has entered into a non-binding letter of intent with The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company (NYSE: GAP) pursuant to which A&P will purchase approximately 7.3 million shares of newly issued Warehouse Club common stock for approximately $10.95 million ($1.50 per share).

In the event that this transaction is consummated, A&P would hold approximately 50.8 percent of Warehouse Club's issued and outstanding common stock. Consummation of the proposed transaction is contingent upon preparation of a mutually acceptable definitive agreement, A&P's completion of a due diligence review of Warehouse Club's business, with results satisfactory to A&P, and the satisfaction of certain other customary conditions, including the expiration of governmental waiting periods.

The transaction must also be approved by the stockholders of Warehouse Club. However, stockholders who collectively have voting power over approximately 65 percent of the shares of Warehouse Club's presently issued and outstanding common stock (including Warehouse Club's majority stockholder) have indicated to Warehouse Club that it is their present intention to vote such shares in favor of the proposed transaction.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Wean Inc. (NYSE: WID) announced today that it has suspended the exchange offer for all of its outstanding 5-1/2 percent debentures, due March 1993, which was previously announced on Nov. 1.

The company promptly will distribute substitute materials to comply with certain requests of the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission. All exchange offer materials distributed to debentureholders on or about Nov. 2, 1990, should be considered ineffective. The company has not accepted any tendered debentures. It will accept tenders of debentures only after the substitute materials have been distributed.

All debentureholders should be aware that the economic terms of the exchange offer as described in the materials delivered to debentureholders on or about Nov. 2, 1990, will not be modified or changed in the substitute exchange offer materials.

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MIAMI (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Deltona Corporation (NYSE: DLT) today reported a net loss of $4,889,000, or $0.86 per share, on revenues of $1,880,000 for the third quarter of 1990 compared to a net loss of $604,000, or $.11 per share, on revenues of $15,114,000 for the third quarter of 1989. The prior year's results were impacted by an extraordinary item of $227,000, representing the reduction of income taxes arising from the carryforward of prior years' operating losses.

Included in 1990 third quarter results was a profit of approximately $243,000 from the $1.7 million sale of the company's country club at its Citrus Springs community. However, during the third quarter, Deltona continued to experience an increase in delinquent contracts receivable, resulting from the negative publicity caused by the indictment and bankruptcy of a major Florida developer as well as current worldwide economic uncertainties. As a result of the increase in delinquent contracts receivable, Deltona recorded an additional provision to its allowance for uncollectible sales of approximately $5,500,000 impacting net income by approximately $3,549,000. Deltona is taking all available actions to collect the delinquencies; however, it is unknown at this time whether the company will be successful. If this trend continues, Deltona may be required to record additional provisions in the future.

For the first nine months of 1990, Deltona reported a net loss of $11,315,000 on revenues of $20,271,000 compared to the prior year's net income of $1,167,000 on revenues of $49,632,000. The loss applicable to common stock was $11,315,000, or $2.00 per share, in 1990 compared to a loss of $148,000, or $.03 per share, in 1989. Included in the nine month results are losses of approximately $600,000 in 1990 and $1,500,000 in 1989 resulting from sales of contracts receivable. Included in the prior year's results was $1,315,000 in cumulative dividends on preferred stock. The prior year's results benefited from the inclusion of income from Deltona's utility operations, net of taxes, of $932,000, or $.16 per share, and an extraordinary item of $439,000, representing the reduction of income taxes arising from the carryforward of prior years' operating losses.

Revenues for the third quarter and nine months of 1990 have declined 88 percent and 59 percent, respectively, from 1989 levels for the same periods. This decline is primarily due to depressed retail land sales, arising from the negative publicity surrounding the previously mentioned indictment and bankruptcy of a major Florida developer and worldwide economic uncertainties. It is unknown, at this time, if and when sales will recover, particularly in light of the current national and international economic and political situation.

Deltona is the developer of nine planned communities, extending from the Florida Panhandle to the State's Gulf Coast, and encompassing approximately 100,000 acres.

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CRYSTAL LAKE, IL (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Sun Electric Corp. (NYSE: SE) announced today that earnings from continuing operations and earnings for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were significantly ahead of comparable earnings for the same quarter last year.

Sales from continuing operations for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $57,820,000 compared to $41,029,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Earnings for the 1990 third quarter from continuing operations before extraordinary tax credit were $1,185,000 or $.13 per share, compared to a 1989 third quarter loss from continuing operations of $3,544,000, or a loss of $.44 per share. The 1989 third quarter loss included charges of $2,632,000 or $.33 per share, associated with a restructuring of the company's U.S. operations.

During the third quarter of 1990, the company sold the assets of Suntronic Systems, the company's point-of-sale equipment division which marketed service station management systems for retail petroleum and convenience store operations. The company's 1990 third quarter net earnings include losses of $1,288,000, or $.14 per share, consisting principally of the loss on the sale of Suntronic Systems' assets.

After the effects of the losses associated with its aforementioned discontinued operation and the effects of an extraordinary tax charge of $13,000, the company reported a 1990 third quarter net loss of $116,000 or a loss of $.01 per share, compared to a 1989 third quarter net loss of $3,532,000 or a loss of $.44 per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported sales from continuing operations of $181,789,000, compared to $131,239,000 for the comparable 1989 period. Earnings from continuing operations before extraordinary tax credit for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $6,884,000 or $.80 per share, compared to a loss from continuing operations of $5,430,000, or a loss of $.71 per share, for the comparable 1989 period. Net earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, include the nine-month operating loss and the loss on the sale of the company's discontinued operation in an aggregate amount of $1,568,000 or a loss of $.18 per share. The net loss for the 1989 nine-month period included operating losses of $253,000 or $.04 per share, from the discontinued operation and the aforementioned restructuring charges of $2,632,000.

During the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, after the effects of a $1,209,000 extraordinary tax credit for utilization of net operating losses, net earnings were $6,525,000 or $.77 per share, compared to a nine-month 1989 net loss of $5,683,000, or a loss of $.75 per share.

Sun Electic Corp. is primarily engaged in the design, manufacture, marketing and service of diagnostic, test and service equipment for the motor vehicle industry and motor vehicle manufacturers in more than 100 countries.

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SOUTH BURLINGTON, VT (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Green Mountain Power Corporation (NYSE: GMP) announced Tuesday its operating results for the third quarter of 1990 and for the first nine months of the year.

Earnings per share of common stock in the third quarter of 1990 were 47 cents compared to 52 cents in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, earnings per share were $1.66 and $1.92, respectively.

Edwin M. Norse, GMP's vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer, said: "The decrease in earnings resulted principally from increased power supply costs, increased administrative and general costs associated with employee pensions and benefits and regulatory proceedings and higher interest charges. In 1990, the company had increased capacity requirements and higher levels of borrowings to cover construction, plant improvements and conservation programs. The company anticipates taking advantage of favorable developments in its power supply arrangements during the rest of 1990, which will have a positive impact on the company's earnings for the year.

"The company continues to experience retail customer growth, despite a slowdown in the New England economy. The number of retail customers served at Sept. 30, 1990 was 1.8 percent greater than at Sept. 30, 1989. This growth, together with a retail rate increase that took effect in January 1990, produced an 8.0 percent increase in total operating revenues in the third quarter of 1990 compared to the same period a year ago," Norse said.

In April 1990, the company filed a retail rate increase request to cover higher costs associated with generating and buying electricity, maintaining electric generating plants and planning and implementing conservation programs. The new rates, as approved, would become effective early in 1991.

Wholesale sales declined in 1990 due to a number of factors, including the commencement of commercial operation of the Seabrook nuclear plant this spring which softened the wholesale power market in New England. In addition, the

company's increased capacity requirements to meet higher retail demand made less power available for resale, Norse reported.

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-30- 2541

#90310p4002 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FLA. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was issued today by Harcourt Brace Jovanovich (NYSE: HBJ):

We are disappointed that Standard & Poor's Corporation has downgraded our bond ratings. As S&P noted, however, overall profit growth has resumed. HJB is making adequate capital investments to produce a competitive elementary reading program in 1992. As the company announced last week, HBJ has retained an investment advisor, Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co., Incorporated to explore alternatives for dealing with the company's highly leveraged financial position.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Gerald J. Maier, president and chief executive officer has welcomed the National Energy Board (NEB) decision to continue rolled-in tolling methododolgy on TransCanada PipeLines' $2.6-billion major facilities expansion.

''The decision represents a major step toward completion of the prolonged regulatory review of an energy project which will provide major economic and environmental benefits to Canada and North America,'' Maier said today.

''The board has reaffirmed TransCanada's position that rolled-in tolls represent the fairest and most-efficient way to treat the costs of major expansions on our pipeline system.''

It is of particular significance that the board found that it is the aggregate demand of all shippers which creates the need for additional pipeline capacity Mr Maier noted.

''Although a few of our customers at both ends of the pipeline sought an alternative, I want to assure them of our continuing commitment to provide the highest-quality services to our customers. There are no losers in this decision. We are dedicated to run our system in the most cost-effective, efficient fashion possible, with respect to both capital and operating

expenditures,'' he said.

''With this decision, we can now get beyond the tolling issue to concentrate on the benefits to Canada of $2.6 billion in pipeline construction which will create some 3,800 construction jobs during the next two years.

''Natural gas producers and producing provinces in western Canada will benefit in the nineties, from an infusion of $800 million per year in gas revenues as the result of this expansion.

''Once again, it is demonstrated that the expansion of facilities to permit effective and economic use of our abundant natural resources is of benefit to all of Canada,'' Maier said.

The major facilities expansion faces one more stage of review by the NEB, which will now hold hearings to scrutinize technical and detailed aspects of the engineering and construction plan. The expansion successfully passed an environmental assessment review process by the NEB earlier this year.

TransCanada's plans call for 1 600 kilometres of pipeline looping and the installation of 240 megawatts of additional compression on its interprovincial natural gas pipeline from Alberta to Quebec. The work should be completed in time for a targeted 832 million cubic feet per day of new service capacity in the contract year beginning Nov. 1, 1992.

Meanwhile, TransCanada is optimistic that the Iroquois project in the northeast United States will soon receive a pipeline certificate from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The Iroquois pipeline will deliver up to 575 million cubic feet of natural gas per day into New York and Connecticut. It is expected to displace 100,000 barrels per day of foreign oil imports to the U.S., and eliminate the emission of 75,000 tons of sulphur from the burning of fuel oil.

The company also expects an early decision from the NEB on a partial facilities application to allow it to build a portion of its major facilities expansion. TransCanada has asked the board for approval to construct 395 km of pipeline, mostly in Ontario, during the winter and summer of 1991. This $600-million program is a portion of the major facilities project.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - ULTIMAP International Corporation (NASDAQ: UMAP) today announced that the Hennepin County Board has agreed to negotiate an extension of ULTIMAP's performance of the previously agreed Software Purchase Agreement. ULTIMAP expects that the extension will be for a period

of 30 to 60 days contingent upon its payment to the county of $150,000 and upon the further payments representing interest on the unpaid balance of the purchase price and an allowance for fees and expenses incurred by the County. ULTIMAP will also agree to grant the County a security interest in its software, copyrights and trademarks.

The extension agreement will be presented to the Hennepin County Board for approval on Nov. 13, 1990.

ULTIMAP International Corporation stock is traded nationally over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol "UMAP."

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TORONTO (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - LAC Minerals Ltd. (NYSE: LAC) today reported operating and financial results for the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990. The results reflect the consolidation of Bond International Gold, Inc. (BIG) and are stated in U.S. dollars.

Revenues increased to $114.9 million for the quarter and $344.8 million for the nine month period compared to $39.7 million and $118.5 million for the same period last year.

Earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $7.2 million or six cents per share compared to $9.7 million or 10 cents per share for the corresponding period in 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, earnings were $12.0 million or 10 cents per share. For the same period in 1989, earnings were $29.0 million or 30 cents per share. Earnings in the third quarter have improved significantly compared to the first two quarters of 1990. This improvement can be largely attributed to LAC's Canadian operations which have been performing well with increased gold production and lower average production costs.

Earnings from operations in the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 increased to $13.2 million and $26.8 million respectively compared too $3.6 million and $7.3 million for the same periods last year.

Other income declined in the first nine months of 1990 to $6.4 million from $37.9 million a year earlier. The decline was a result of reduced financial income, higher interest expense and the non- reoccurrence of certain other income items realized in the first nine months of 1989. In addition, the company continued to experience an unrealized loss on foreign exchange due to the impact of a stronger Canadian dollar on the company's U.S. cash balances.

Also offsetting the increase in operating earnings in the first nine months of

1990 was a higher effective income and mining tax rate when compared to the same period in 1989. The effective rates are influenced predominately by taxable income in Canada and Chile which cannot be offset by losses in the United States. However, the effective rate has decreased to 66 per cent for the nine month period compared to 81 per cent in the first half of 1990.

Cash flow from operations for the first nine months of 1990 was up significantly to $109.0 million compared with $38.4 million a year earlier.

Total gold production for the third quarter of 1990 was 268,801 ounces of which LAC's share was 206,863 ounces compared to 82,007 ounces for the same period in 1989. A total of 761,239 ounces of gold was produced in the first nine months of 1990 with LAC's share being 575,752 ounces compared to 246,602 ounces a year earlier.

LAC Minerals Ltd. is an international gold mining company with operating gold mines in Canada, Chile and the United States.

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#90310p4018 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KAN. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - COMCOA Inc. (NASDAQ: CCOA) today reported that revenues for its third quarter, a 12 week period ended Oct. 7, 1990, increased 13.6 percent to $12,158,262 and resulted in net earnings of $661,714 or 13 cents per share. For the corresponding period in the prior year, revenues and net earnings were $10,703,633 and $552,542, respectively. The per share computations resulted in net earnings of 11 cents per share in the prior year.

Revenues for the 36 weeks of the current fiscal year were $37,010,351 versus $31,231,630 for the like period in the preceding year. The current year-to-date net earnings were $2,819,707, or 57 cents per share. The net earnings in the prior year were $1,606,495, which is 31 cents per share.

COMCOA is a franchisee of Rent-A-Center of America Inc. and currently owns and operates 75 Rent-A-Center stores in Florida, Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi.

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#90310p4020 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Ballistic Recovery Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: BRSI) announced today that its board of directors has elected Joseph R. Little as the company's chief executive officer. Little, who has been general manager at the Paranetics Division, has also served as interim CEO

since July 1990. Little was also elected to the board of directors to fill a board vacancy created by the recent resignation of Dr. John Cesnik.

The company also announced that it elected Marte J. Sheeran, chief financial officer, to serve in the additional capacity of chief operating officer. The board's action is intended to increase the company's efficiency by merging all administrative and operational functions under Sheeran's direction, and relocating those activities to the company's Southern California Paranetics facility.

Additionally, the board confirmed a plan to sell the company's Fleming Field facility in order to realize its equity in the building. The board noted that, with the exception of Marte Sheeran, South St. Paul employees currently engaged in manufacturing and technical capacities will remain in the Twin Cities.

Joe Little stated, "I'm delighted with the board's decision, because it confirms the direction and continuity of key plans for the future. Operational achievements attained during the last year play a major role in the way we address the company's goals. While these improvements in efficiency and the added capital from the sale of the building do not guarantee enough funds to complete the GARD development and FAA certification process, they are the first step in that direction."

Marte Sheeran added, "This functional realignment will further enhance recent improvements in overall efficiency. It will, at the same time, accelerate our ability to implement future plans."

Ballistic Recovery Systems, Inc. designs and manufactures parachutes for defense systems applications and ballistically deployed parachute systems for recreational aircraft.

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OAKHURST, CA (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Sierra On-Line (NASDAQ: SIER) announced today that net income after taxes for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, totalled $999,000, or $0.27 per share. By comparison, net income after taxes for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, was $927,000, or $0.25 per share.

During the first six months of Sierra's fiscal year beginning April 1, 1990, net income after taxes totaled $1,683,000, or $0.46 per share. For comparison purposes, net income was $1,561,000, or $0.43 per share for the same period of the prior year.

Total revenues for Sierra were $7,072,000 for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, and $7,430,000 for the comparable quarter of the prior year. For the first six months of Sierra's 1991 fiscal year, revenues were $12,354,000, compared to $11,521,000 for the same six months of the prior year.

Total revenues for the six months ending Sept. 30, 1990, increased by 7 percent, although they decreased by 5 percent in the second quarter. Revenue from product shipments during the second quarter decreased due to product development delays. Among the factors which improved Sierra's gross margin during the quarter were increased hint line and royalty income, higher average sales prices, and decreases in royalties and product costs. Inventory and capitalized software development costs increased significantly during the quarter. Sierra expects substantial decreases in both these accounts as delayed products are released in the quarter ending Dec. 31.

Ken Williams, Sierra's president and chief executive officer, said, "During the quarter, Sierra's stock price declined significantly, as did others in the software industry. Sierra believes its stock is undervalued and has established a stock repurchase program. We are now shipping most of our Christmas products. In September we released 'Thexder II,' 'Oil's Well' and 'Stellar 7.' In October we released 'Jones in the Fast Lane.' Both 'King's Quest V' and 'Quest for Glory II' will ship in November. Even with the general concern for a slowing economy, which could impact the Christmas season, Sierra has not yet experienced any decrease in consumer interest. Additionally, Sierra is excited about its European operation, which was established in the third quarter."

Sierra develops and publishes premium-priced entertainment software products for the high-end of the consumer market.

SIERRA ON-LINE INC.
Consolidated Condensed Statement of Income
(Unaudited)
(In thousands except per share data)

	Three months ended Sept. 30		Six months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Net sales	6,160	7,003	10,753	10,609
Interest Income	247	185	433	440
Other	665	242	1,168	472
Total Revenues	$7,072	$7,430	$12,354	$11,521
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of sales	2,336	2,890	3,861	4,268
Royalties	453	734	821	998
Selling,				

general and administrative	2,223	1,608	4,092	2,679
Research and development	294	613	665	928
Provision for doubtful accounts	126	39	148	58
Other	2	41	6	66
Total expenses	5,434	5,925	9,593	8,997
Earnings before income taxes	$1,638	$1,505	$2,761	$2,524
Income taxes	$639	$578	$1,078	$963
Net earnings	$999	$927	$1,683	$1,561
Net earnings per common and common equivalent share	$0.27	$0.25	$0.46	$0.43
Average outstanding common and common equivalent shares	3,714,152	3,661,907	3,692,199	3,652,485

Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheet
(Unaudited)
(In thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Assets:		
Current Assets:		
Cash and temporary investments	$8,514	$9,714
Accounts receivable	4,188	5,140
Inventories	3,498	1,765
Prepaid expenses	1,831	837
Total Current Assets	$18,031	$17,456
Property, plant and equipment (net)	4,757	2,887
Capitalized software development costs	2,561	418
Other assets	2,045	57
Total Assets	$27,394	$20,818
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity: Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and other accrued expenses	$2,512	$1,132
Royalties payable	781	758
Reserves for returns	1,092	1,447
Total Current Liabilities	$4,385	$3,337

Other liabilities	352	543
Total Liabilities	$4,737	$3,880
Shareholders' Equity	$22,657	$16,938
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	$27,394	$20,818

CONTACT: Bruce Grant, VP-Finance of Sierra On-Line, 209-683-4468

-30- 5837

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VAN NUYS, Calif. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Albert J. Berger, currently vice chairman and chief operating officer of Pinkerton Security and Investigation Services (NASDAQ: PKTN), was appointed president in addition to his other duties, the board of directors announced today.

Berger, 54, will continue to report to Pinkerton Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Thomas W. Wathen.

Berger served for 15 years as a director of CPP Security, and remained on the board when CPP merged with Pinkerton in 1988, assisting over the next two years in the consolidation of the two companies and completing financing arrangements.

Last January, Berger was name vice chairman of Pinkerton Security and Investigation Services.

Pinkerton's board also named a new director -- J. Kevin Murphy, former president and chief executive officer of Purolator Courier Corp., the courier and armored cars company.

Murphy, who joined Purolator's predecessor in 1957, was the corporation's chief operating officer from 1961 to 1967. From 1967 to 1976, he served as Purolator's president and chief executive officer.

A graduate of Colgate University (bachelor's degree) and Fordham University Law School, Murphy also served as president and chief operating officer of Trailways Inc. from 1977 to 1979.

Since 1985, he has been chairman and president of Topeka-based 655 Associates Inc., a company involved in crisis management and corporate turnaround activities.

Pinkerton is one of the largest security and investigation companies in the United States with 208 offices in 40 states and two foreign countries and more than 40,000 employees. The company is based in Van Nuys.

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#90310p4036 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
DENVER (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Bond International Gold, Inc. (NYSE: BIG; TSE: BG) today reported operating results for the third quarter and nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues increased to $73.0 million for the quarter and $214.8 million for the nine month period, compared to $54.4 million and $161.0 million for the corresponding periods last year. The company reported a net loss of $5.6 million or 10 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $2.0 million or 3 cents per share for the same period in 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, losses totalled $18.3 million or 32 cents per share compared to a loss of $87.0 million or $1.51 per share for the same period in 1989. The 1989 results included a $74.3 million loss during the second quarter from the company's investment in Gold Mines of Kalgoorlie Limited and a $13 million writedown of the Colosseum Mine and other mining assets.

The 1990 results were affected by unrealized foreign exchange losses of $5.0 million for the third quarter and $10.4 million for the nine months. These compare to a loss of $2.8 million and a gain of $1.9 million, respectively, for the same periods in 1989.

Total gold production for the third quarter was 159,126 ounces compared to 116,544 ounces for the same period in 1989. Production for the nine months was 472,907 ounces in 1990 compared to 341,163 ounces in 1989. The increases in 1990 reflect the additional production from the Bullfrog Mine, which began operation late in 1989.

The average cash costs of production, including by-product credits, for both the quarter and nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $238 per ounce of gold, compared to $223 and $195 per ounce for like periods in 1989. Average cash costs have increased in 1990 because the company's U.S. operations, which are relatively higher cost than its El Indio Mine in Chile, now contribute a larger percentage of its gold production.

Bond International Gold, Inc. operates five gold mines in the United States, Canada and Chile, and conducts an active exploration program in North and South America.

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#90310p4042 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Chicago Board Options Exchange (CBOE)

today announced it will begin trading options on The NWNL Companies (NASDAQ ticker symbol NWNL; CBOE ticker symbol NWQ) on Wednesday, Nov. 7.

An insurance holding company, The NWNL Companies is the successor to Northwestern National Life Insurance Co., which reorganized in 1989 and converted from combined stock and mutual ownership to stock ownership only. Through subsidiaries, NWNL sells individual and group life and health insurance, as well as group annuity contracts and life/health and property/casualty reinsurance.

NWQ options will trade on the January expiration cycle, with introductory expirations in December, January, April and July. Initial strike prices have been set at 12-1/2, 15 and 17-1/2. The Option Resource Group will serve as the Designated Primary Market Maker (DPM) in the option.

CBOE, regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, is the pioneer of listed options and the world's largest options marketplace.

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-30- 1304

#90310p4050 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

JEFFERSON, La. (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Al Copeland Enterprises Inc. announced that it has retained The First Boston Corp. to work on a restructuring plan for the company with respect to the indebtedness incurred by the company in connection with its acquisition of Church's Fried Chicken Inc. The company intends to promptly present a restructuring plan to its bank lender, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce ($249 million of senior debt) and its bridge lender, Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc. ($142 million of subordinated debt).

The company also announced that extensions granted by Merrill Lynch with respect to a $3.3 million interest payment due Sept. 28, 1990, and by CIBC with respect to a $4.2 million term loan payment due Sept. 21, 1990 have expired, and the company is in default under both loan documents. Under the terms of the loan documents, each of the lenders has the right to accelerate the indebtedness thereunder; however, neither lender has exercised that right.

The company believes that on an operational level its business will continue to generate positive cash flow and has had, and will continue to have sufficient cash flow to pay its trade creditors, but that the debt service required on the acquisition indebtedness cannot be sustained on a long-term basis without a restructuring. "This is the best time to implement a plan of restructuring," said Bucky Kilbourne, chief financial officer. "The sales and restaurant operations are doing very well. Our debt structure has to be changed so that the company will be well capitalized for the future." The company's decisions to seek extensions and not to make payments on its loans

are intended to insure that sufficient working capital is available while the company restructures that indebtedness.

The restructuring plan under development by the company and First Boston is intended to modify the company's capital structure to a level supportable by the company's operations on a long-term basis. The company may not have an alternative but to seek protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, if either lender should choose to accelerate its indebtedness or if the company is unable to develop a restructuring plan satisfactory to its lenders. Management believes, based on its discussions with its lenders, that it can reach an agreement with them.

The company reported total revenues for the third quarter of 1990 ended Sept. 9, 1990 of $108 million, compared to $115 million for the third quarter of 1989. The company operated an average of 852 restaurants for the third quarter of 1990, compared to 965 restaurants during the third quarter of 1989. For the year to date period of 1990, revenues totaled $330 million, compared to $266.4 million for the comparable period of 1989. Net cash provided by operating activities was $3.6 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared to net cash used by operating activities of $18.7 million in the third quarter of 1989. For the year to date period of 1990 net cash provided by operations and income tax refunds was $11.7 million, compared with cash used by operations of $9.1 million for the comparable period of 1989.

The company made $12.3 million and $37.5 million in cash interest payments during the third quarter and year to date periods of 1990, respectively, substantially all of which are related to the financing obtained for the acquisition of Church's Fried Chicken Inc. Interest paid during the third quarter of 1989 and year to date period of 1989 totaled $20 million and $25.7 million, respectively. Debt principal repayments during the third quarter and year to date periods of 1990 totaled $7 million and $21 million, respectively. Due primarily to the interest payments for such acquisition financing, the company reported a net loss of $5.2 million in the third quarter of 1990 and year to date net loss in 1990 of $11.4 million. "It has been anticipated that as a result of the Church's Fried Chicken acquisition, the company would experience losses over the first several years," Kilbourne said.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Nov. 5 marked the beginning of what is expected to become a successful and mutually rewarding working relationship between Red Star of the United Kingdom and Airborne Express (NYSE: ABF) of the United States, the companies announced today.

The agreement will mean all of Red Star's outbound U.K. shipments destined for the United States will be handled by Airborne Express's award-winning integrated system, replacing a system that comprised Trans-Atlantic scheduled flights and local distribution in the United States by a network of agents.

In exchange, Red Star, a subsidiary of British Rail, will provide Airborne Express with access to its exclusive United Kingdom linehaul capability, utilizing an integrated regional network of seven-day-a-week, high-frequency, high-speed trains, and an extensive fleet of pick-up collection and delivery vehicles.

The comprehensive grid of rail routes, covering the whole of Britain -- including England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland -- makes Red Star the only UK parcels operator not to use the usual hub-and-spoke system. The company, which has offered customers express service since 1968, recorded revenues last year of 75 million pounds.

Airborne Express was also recently selected as the Outstanding Integrated Cargo System for domestic and international air express and freight shipping by the International Cargo Forum, which honors top performers in the cargo industry every two years.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern Mineral Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SMIN) reported today record net income for a nine month period. Compared to net income of $910,000, or $.23 per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, net income for the current nine months vaulted to a record of $5,977,000 or $1.49 per share. Spurred by a $9.4 million gain from the second quarter sale of its interests in the Trimble Field, revenues rose from $2,431,000 last year to $11,715,000 this year. Also as a result of this sale, the provision for income taxes was up from $442,000 last year to $3,510,000 this year.

Compared to net income of $250,000, or $.06 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, the company posted a $6,000 loss for the current quarter. The slight loss resulted mainly from a $351,000 increase in exploration expenses this quarter over the same period last year.

Southern Mineral Corporation is primarily an exploration company with production in the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas, and Wyoming.

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#90310p4064 11/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced a decrease in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The decrease of $1.50/bbl was effective today at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$31.50 for West Texas Intermediate $29.50 for West Texas Sour $32.00 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E65. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90310t1174 11/06/1990 ~ts
KISHINEV (NOV 6) MOLDOVA-PRES-TASS - A TREND FOR STABILIZATION HAS EMERGED IN MOLDAVIA.

THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT'S CONCILIATION COMMISSION, LED BY MOLDAVIAN COMMUNIST PARTY LEADER PETR LUCHINSKY, MET A GAGAUZ CONCILIATION COMMISSION IN THE CITY OF KOMRAT IN SOUTHERN MOLDAVIA TODAY.

THE GAGAUZ PARLIAMENT, DECLARED ILLEGAL BY THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT, FORMED THE CONCILIATION COMMISSION FOR TALKS WITH MOLDAVIAN AUTHORITIES.

LYUDMILA SKALNAYA, CHAIRMAN OF THE REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S COUNCIL, ISSUED AN APPEAL TO MOLDAVIAN WOMEN. "WE MUST DO OUR BEST TO END ETHNIC CONFRONTATION," SHE SAID.

"WE WOMEN HAVE LOST THREE SONS, AND SIX CHILDREN WERE LEFT WITHOUT FATHERS IN NONSENSICAL CLASHES IN THE AREA OF DUBOSSARY. WE SHOULD LEARN FROM THIS BITTER LESSON, HEED THE VOICE OF REASON AND PREVENT NEW BLOODSHED.

SKALNAYA CALLED ON WOMEN WHO WENT ON A HUNGER STRIKE IN DUBOSSARY TO END THIS ACTION, SINCE IT LEADS TO FURTHER CONFRONTATION UNDER THE PRESENT CONDITIONS.

THE SITUATION REMAINS TENSE ON THE DNIESTER'S LEFT BANK, WHERE A DNIESTER REPUBLIC WAS PROCLAIMED ON SEPTEMBER 2, WHICH WAS RULED UNCONSTITUTIONAL BY THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT.

IN DEFIANCE OF THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT RESOLUTION, WORKERS' SELF-DEFENCE DETACHMENTS HAVE NOT DISBANDED AND A MORATORIUM ON THE NOVEMBER 25 ELECTIONS TO UNCONSTITUTIONAL POWER BODIES HAS NOT BEEN SET THERE.

SPEAKING OVER TIRASPOL RADIO, IGOR SMIRNOV, CHAIRMAN OF THE PROVISIONAL SUPREME COUNCIL OF THE DNIESTER REPUBLIC, POINTED OUT THAT "IT IS NOT A QUESTION OF VIOLATING MOLDAVIA'S BORDERS. IT IS A QUESTION OF THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE OF THE REGION".

HE URGED RESIDENTS OF TIRASPOL AND OTHER POPULATED AREAS ON THE DNIESTER'S LEFT BANK TO DEFEND THE REPUBLIC TO THE END AND TO PREVENT MOLDAVIAN INTERIOR-MINISTRY TROOPS FROM ARRIVING IN THESE AREAS UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. "WE MUST UPHOLD OUR RIGHTS," SMIRNOV EMPHASISED.

KISHINEV'S POLICY, HE SAID, "IS AIMED AT CHANGING SOCIALISM ITSELF AS A SOCIO-POLITICAL FORMATION. SUCH A POLICY SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED IN THE DNIESTER AREA".

A MEETING BETWEEN RUSSIAN LAWMAKERS AND COUNCILLORS FROM TIRASPOL BEGAN HERE TODAY. THE MEETING IS ALSO BEING ATTENDED BY MOLDAVIAN FIRST DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER KONSTANTIN OBOROK AND CHAIRMAN OF THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENTARY COMMISSION ON ETHNIC RELATIONS ALEXANDER ARSENI.

MEMBERS OF THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT, WHO CAME TO MOLDAVIA AT THE INVITATION OF THE RUSSIAN-SPEAKING POPULATION IN THE DNIESTER LEFT-BANK AREA, WILL ALSO VISIT INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES AND ORGANISATIONS.

LEADER OF THE DELEGATION SERGEI KRASAVCHENKO STRESSED THAT THE AIM OF THE MISSION IS TO FIND OUT IF "THE DEMANDS PUT FORTH BY CITIZENS LIVING IN THE DNIESTER LEFT-BANK AREA ARE JUST".

ACCORDING TO KRASAVCHENKO, "UNDER ARTICLE EIGHT OF THE TREATY OF COOPERATION SIGNED BY THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AND MOLDAVIA, THE SIDES SHOULD MONITOR THE OBSERVANCE OF RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF NATIONAL MINORITIES IN THE REPUBLICS".

"OUR FINDINGS WILL HELP FORM A CLEAR-CUT POSITION FOR THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT CONCERNING EVENTS IN MOLDAVIA," HE NOTED.

THE SESSION WAS ALSO ATTENDED BY LEADERS OF THE PROVISIONAL SUPREME COUNCIL OF THE DNIESTER REPUBLIC.

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#90310t1185 11/06/1990 ~ts
KISHINEV (NOV. 6) TASS - IN CONTRAST TO MANY PREVIOUS YEARS, INHABITANTS OF KISHINEV FEEL NO ELATION WHATSOEVER ON THE EVE OF THE NATIONAL HOLIDAY, ANNIVERSARY OF THE OCTOBER 1917 REVOLUTION.

SEEKING TO EASE TENSION, CITY AUTHORITIES CANCELLED THE TRADITIONAL MILITARY PARADE, CIVIL MARCH AND OTHER RALLIES AND MASS ACTIONS FOR AND AGAINST THE OCTOBER REVOLUTION. THE CITY COUNCIL PROMISED TO DO ALL IN ITS POWER TO LET

PEOPLE RELAX.

BUT THE TRAGIC EVENTS IN DUBOSSARY AND CONTINUING INTER- ETHNIC STRIFE DO NOT LET PEOPLE FORGET LIFE'S HARDSHIPS.

INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES ARE SUFFERING FROM SHORTAGES OF RAW MATERIALS AND PARTS AND IDLE MOST OF THE TIME, BECAUSE MANY ROADS ARE BLOCKADED AND THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE DO NOT REPORT FOR WORK DAILY, BEING ENGAGED IN "VOLUNTARY FORCES".

SHOP SHELVES, THAT WERE HALF EMPTY FOR SOME TIME ARE NOW COMPLETELY BARE. BUTTER, EGGS AND SOME OTHER PRODUCTS ARE NOW RATIONED, BUT THIS DOES NOT HELP MUCH AND MARKET PRICES ARE SKY- ROCKETING.

ANXIETY CAN BE SEEN IN MANY EYES WHEN PEOPLE COME TO THE CITY PARK, A KIND OF COMMUNITY CENTRE WHERE PEOPLE TRADE AND DISCUSS NEWS. TODAY, THE DEBATES GREW PARTICULARLY HEATED WHEN DISCUSSING THE DECISION BY THE MOLDOVAN PARLIAMENT TO RENOUNCE THE USE OF FORCE IN SETTLING INTER-ETHNIC CONFLICTS. SOME PEOPLE CALL THIS DECISION WISE, OTHERS VIEW IT AS A PLOY BY SUPPORTERS OF MOSCOW.

CENTRAL TELEVISION AND THE NATIONAL PRESS ARE SHARPLY CRITICISED FOR PARTIALITY IN COVERING EVENTS IN MOLDOVA. PEOPLE ARE ARDENT IN THEIR PRAISE OF POET GRIGORY VIERU WHO REBUKED REPUBLICAN INTERIOR MINISTER ION KOSTAS FOR MAKING THE INSIDE STORY PUBLIC WHEN HE TOLD THE PARLIAMENT ABOUT PRIME MINISTER MIRCHA DRUK'S CATEGORICAL ORDER TO USE FORCE IN DUBOSSARY.

NEARLY ALL INHABITANTS OF DUBOSSARY ATTENDED A MOURNING RALLY HERE TODAY. PRESENT AT THE FUNERAL IN VICTORY SQUARE OF THE THREE PEOPLE KILLED DURING THE NOVEMBER 2 CRACKDOWN WERE DELEGATES FROM ALL LEFT BANK DNIESTER CITIES, DISTRICTS AND VILLAGES, THE CITY OF BENDERY, DISTRICTS POPULATED BY GAGAUZ PEOPLE AS WELL AS FROM SOME UKRAINIAN AND RUSSIAN CITIES. THE THREE PEOPLE WERE BURIED NEXT TO THE COMMON GRAVE OF SOLDIERS WHO LOST THEIR LIVES WHEN THE CITY WAS BEING LIBERATED FROM NAZIS DURING WORLD WAR II. MANY THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE PASSED THROUGH THE YOUNG PIONEER PALACE TO PAY THEIR LAST RESPECTS TO THE VICTIMS OF THE CRACKDOWN.

A GROUP OF WOMEN IN DUBOSSARY CONTINUE THEIR POLITICAL HUNGER STRIKE BEGUN ON FRIDAY. THEY HAVE SAID THEY WILL NOT GIVE UP UNTIL THE REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT WITH MIRCHA DRUK AT THE HEAD RESIGNS AND THOSE TO BLAME FOR THE TRAGEDY IN DUBOSSARY ARE PUNISHED.

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MOSCOW (NOV 6) TASS - SOME 1,680 SOVIET CITIZENS WERE EVACUATED FROM IRAQ IN OCTOBER, SOVIET DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER IGOR BELOUSOV SAID TODAY.

IN A TELEVISED INTERVIEW, HE NOTED THAT EVACUATION WAS HELD IN FULL ACCORDANCE WITH THE SCHEDULE AGREED DURING TALKS WITH THE IRAQI LEADERSHIP.

DURING THE LAST VISIT TO IRAQ BY SOVIET PRESIDENTIAL ENVOY YEVGENY PRIMAKOV, THE SIDES AGREED ON THE FUTURE EVACUATION OF SOVIET CITIZENS FROM IRAQ, BELOUSOV SAID. HE SAID THEY AGREED THAT 1,000 SOVIET SPECIALISTS WILL LEAVE IRAQ BY AEROFLOT FLIGHTS IN NOVEMBER.

BELOUSOV NOTED THAT THE FIGURE WILL INCLUDE NOT ONLY THOSE WHO ASKED TO RETURN HOME BEFORE THEIR CONTRACTS EXPIRE, BUT THOSE WORKING ON A NUMBER OF OBJECTS WHERE THE FIELD OF OPERATIONS HAS BEEN REDUCED. BELOUSOV RECALLED THAT U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL SANCTIONS ENVISAGE AN EMBARGO ON THE DELIVERY OF SPARE PARTS AND MATERIALS, NOTING THAT THE SOVIET UNION INTENDS TO OBSERVE THE PROVISIONS.

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#90310u0092 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (NOV. 6) UPI - NASA managers are considering the possibility of launching the shuttle Columbia at the end of the month, just two weeks or so after Atlantis's planned launch around Nov. 16 on a secret military mission.

An internal space agency rule requires three weeks between shuttle flights to make sure data from one mission can be studied before launching the next. But Forrest McCartney, director of the Kennedy Space Center, said Monday that agency managers were studying ways to reduce the requirement.

''We'd like very much to fly (Columbia), get it down and get it home before Christmas,'' he said. ''But we're not going to waive any of the looking, what we look at'' between missions.

On another front, McCartney said the discovery of about 1 gram of cocaine in a shuttle processing hangar Friday did not indicate that there was a problem with widespread drug use at the sprawling shuttleport.

He also said there there is no evidence drugs were involved in any of a number of embarrassing mishaps and accidents at the spaceport earlier this year.

''It's been suggested perhaps that could have been involved in some of the incidents we've had,'' McCartney said. ''We have not found that and in analyzing each one of those instances, we have not found a common thread that would cause you to think that.

''I don't see any evidence whatsoever that links drugs to the incidents or accidents that we've had,'' McCartney said.

In the meantime, engineers at launch pads 39A and 39B are pressing on with plans to launch the shuttle Atlantis around Nov. 16 and its sistership, Columbia, just two weeks later around Nov. 30.

Atlantis had been scheduled for takeoff Friday night, but problems with the ship's secret spy satellite payload forced Air Force mission managers to order a delay. While McCartney would not discuss the progress of work to repair the payload, he said the spaceplane should be ready for launch next week.

''The 16th, give or take a day or so, is the best guess now. That's a reasonable planning time,'' he said. ''I'm not speaking for the Department of Defense. But if you were to ask me what's a good planning date now ..., I think the middle of the month is reasonable to assume.''

Assuming Atlantis blasts off around Nov. 16, Columbia should be ready for flight by the end of the month if NASA managers agree to waive the three-week rule.

As for drug use at the space center, a small packet of cocaine containing about 1 gram of the drug - about 0.04 ounces - was discovered Friday morning in Orbiter Processing Facility No. 1 where the space shuttle Discovery is being serviced after a mission last month.

McCartney said an alert individual spotted the drug under a desk in the OPF and called security personnel.

It was ''a very small amount,'' McCartney said, and ''it was very clear that it belonged to perhaps an individual rather than some ... big operation. I think when we get down to it, what we'll find is that unfortunately, some individual has a habit.''

''We have 20,000 people working here,'' he said. ''Drugs are a problem for society today (and) we are very sensitive to that problem. This has every appearance to be, unfortunately, someone has a drug problem. That's regrettable.

He said security personnel would continue an investigation into the cocaine seized Friday ''to try to determine who was involved in it. Hopefully we'll be able to find the individual who was involved and offer some assistance.''

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#90310u0101 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Things have suddenly turned sour at home for the New York Rangers.

The Rangers stormed to an 11-3 record to open the season, winning their first eight games at Madison Square Garden. But they lost for the third straight time and for the second consecutive game at home Monday night when Boston's Bob Sweeney scored his second goal of the season at 3:30 of overtime to give the Boston Bruins a 3-2 victory over the Rangers.

The Bruins, who snapped a five-game road losing streak, trailed 2-1 late in the third period before Cam Neely tied the score with 14 seconds remaining to force the five-minute overtime in the NHL's only scheduled game.

''We kept plugging away at it,'' said Boston Coach Mike Milbury. ''We got lucky in overtime because they really dominated the overtime for the most part but we took advantage of the one scoring opportunity we did get.''

With the Bruins attacking in the extra session, Sweeney took the puck behind the New York net and left it for Neely. Sweeney received a return pass from Neely to the right side of New York goalie John Vanbiesbrouck and his 15-foot shot found the net.

''That's a really big win for us especially the way the New York Rangers have been playing,'' said Neely. ''It's a great confidence builder which means more than the two points.''

Boston goalie Andy Moog, who limited the Rangers to two first-period goals, was brilliant in overtime and a bit lucky. He repelled hard shots by Ray Sheppard and Brian Leetch and got a break when Bernie Nicholls' blast hit the post and caromed out. Moog stopped 27 shots.

Nicholls was disappointed the way the Rangers played after grabbing a 2-0 lead in the first period.

''We played on our heels in the third period,'' said Nicholls, ''and it was a mistake. We were worried about them on our home ice instead of them being worried about us.''

Trailing 2-1, the Bruins pulled Moog in the final minute of regulation for a sixth skater. The Bruins quickly controlled the puck and Neely, parked in front knocked in a Craig Janney pass for his eighth goal of the year at 19:46.

''We were desperate in the last minute,'' Neely said. ''The Rangers were too cautious.''

The Rangers led 2-0 after the first period on goals by John Ogrodnick and Mike Gartner.

Leetch grabbed a loose puck at the point and sent a perfect centering pass to Ogrodnick, who wristed in his ninth goal of the season at 5:18. It was Ogrodnick's fifth goal in his last four games.

Aggressive forechecking by Darren Turcotte and Jan Erixon set up Gartner's ninth of the year less than two minutes later. Turcotte picked up the puck behind the Boston net, skated in front and backhanded a shot that was gloved by Moog. As Moog attempted to smother the puck for a whistle, Gartner poked it free and into the net at 7:08.

''We've lost three in a row and we could have won all three,'' said New York Coach Roger Neilson. ''I don't understand this, the ice was chippy and that makes it easier to defend a lead. And we didn't do that.''

Bob Carpenter trimmed New York's lead to 2-1 at 14:22 of the second period on a feed from John Carter. Carter, carrying the puck into the Rangers' zone, faked a slapshot before passing to a cutting Carpenter, who beat Vanbiesbrouck for his fourth goal of the season.

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(NOV. 6) UPI - MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL SCORING SUMMARY:

NY Giants	3	14	0	7-24
Indianapolis	0	0	7	0- 7

FIRST QUARTER

NYG-FG Bahr 23, 8:20

SECOND QUARTER

NYG-Anderson 2 run (Bahr kick), :24

NYG-Anderson 3 run (Bahr kick), 11:44

THIRD QUARTER

Ind-Bentley 1 run (Biasucci kick), 7:18

FOURTH QUARTER

Ind-Duerson 31 fumble return (Bahr kick), 1:37

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	NYG	Ind
First downs	17	11
Rushes-yards	30--116	17--55
Passing yards	172	160
Sacked-yards lost	2--14	3--34
3rd down eff.	5--10--50.0	4--15--27.0
4th down eff.	1--1--100	2--4--50
Passes	17--21--1	23--37--0
Punts	2--40.5	6--48.2
Punt returns-yds	4--39	1--(-2)
KO returns-yds	1--26	4--69
Fumbles-lost	1--1	1--1
Penalties-yards	3--26	4--27
Time of possessin	32:06	27:54

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-Giants-Anderson 14-55, Tillman 7-37, Meggett 4-19, Carthon 3-7, Simms 1-(-1), Hostettler 1-(-1). Indianapolis-Dickerson 9- 26, Bentley 8-29.

PASSING-Giants-Simms 17-21-172-1. Indianapolis-George 23-37-0-160.

RECEIVING-Giants-Meggett 6-47, Baker 1-40, Hampton 2-31, Anderson 3-24, Bavaro 2-19, Mrosko 1-16, Tillman 2-(-5). Indianapolis-Brooks 7-47, Morgan 3-53, Hester 5-27, Bentley 2-10, Dickerson 4-3, Beach 1-5, Verdin 1-15.

SACKS-Giants-Marshall 2-19, Johnson 1-15. Indianapolis-Banks 1-8, Clancy 1-6.

INTERCEPTIONS-Giants-none. Indianapolis-Prior 1-0.

Missed field goals: NYG-Bahr 50.

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(NOV. 6) UPI - New York Mayor David Dinkins calls the killing of Meir Kahane an ''international tragedy that shocks us all.'' The ultra right-wing rabbi was shot to death Monday night in a midtown Manhattan hotel. Police are holding a suspect in Kahane's shooting. The suspect and at least two other people were wounded in the incident.

Americans will head to the polls Tuesday in elections involving the entire House, one-third of the Senate and 36 governorships. One Republican strategist says a possible anti-incumbent backlash would hurt the G-O-P more than Democrats because- in his words- ''we also have Bush.''

President Bush took White House business with him while campaigning for the Republican gubernatorial nominee in Texas. Bush topped off a day of work for Clayton Williams by signing the nation's deficit-reduction agreement into law. The package of tax hikes and spending cuts evolved during lengthy negotiations between administration and congressional leaders.

Japanese media reports Tuesday say Iraq will release an unspecified number of Japanese hostages in response to an appeal by former Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone. The reports say Iraqi officials told Nakasone that elderly and ailing hostages will be freed shortly.

China is looking at improving its troubled relations with the United States. China's foreign minister has left Beijing for a four-nation Middle East tour with stops in Egypt, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Iraq. The minister will meet Secretary of State Baker on his first stop in Egypt.

European Community ministers will resume world trade talks Tuesday morning in Brussels. Italy's minister warned the talks are in danger of collapse unless the ministers adopt a plan to cut farm subsidies. However, a quick agreement was NOwhere in sight after eight hours of talks Monday.

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INDIANAPOLIS (NOV. 6) UPI - Safety Dave Duerson scored his first touchdown in eight NFL seasons and the league's top pass defense produced the points that subdued stubborn Indianapolis.

Duerson, a native of nearby Muncie, returned a fumble 31 yards for a touchdown in the fourth quarter Monday night, lifting the undefeated New York Giants past Indianapolis 24-7.

Linebacker Pepper Johnson ran through a block by Kevin Call and smashed Colts quarterback Jeff George to the turf, forcing the fumble Duerson ran into the end zone for the final points with 13:23 to play.

''All I had to do was pick up the ball after Pepper did most of the work,'' Duerson said. ''In the back of your mind, you're wondering when you're going to get one. Tonight was the night.''

The triumph made the Giants and two-time defending Super Bowl champion San Francisco the first pair of NFL teams with 8-0 starts since Chicago and Detroit in 1934. The Giants, off to the best start in their 66-year history, matched a 62-year-old team record of 11 straight regular season victories.

Duerson sealed the Colts' fate after they had struggled to remain in the game following a woeful first half.

''We felt we were in the ball game until the big turnover,'' Colts Coach Ron Meyer said. ''We felt we had a chance to get something going until that.''

Johnson scuffled with Call at halftime, but beat him when it mattered most to slam George to the turf.

''He rolled left and all I needed to do is slow him down for a second and it worked,'' Johnson said. ''When I saw Duerson scoop it up and head for the end zone, it felt good.''

George, the No. 1 pick in this year's NFL draft, made his first start in five weeks after being sidelined by an abdominal strain. He replaced Jack Trudeau, lost for the season with torn knee ligaments last week. George completed 23 of 37 for 160 yards but lost the key fumble.

''I had no idea he was coming,'' George said of Johnson. ''I was getting ready

to throw and he got me. It was a good defensive play.''

With Vice President Dan Quayle watching from a luxury suite, Ottis Anderson rushed for 55 yards on 14 carries and scored on second-quarter runs of 2 and 3 yards. The 12-year veteran moved into a tie for eighth on the all-time rushing touchdown list with 76.

Phil Simms, the NFL's top-rated passer completed 7 of 8 for 100 yards in the first quarter and New York scored the first three times it had the football.

''We played a real good first half,'' New York Coach Bill Parcells said. ''I can't say too much for the second half. I'm just happy to get out of the first half of the season.''

Simms, who turned 35 Saturday, threw for 172 yards on the night, completing 17 of 21 passes. Simms suffered his first interception in 150 passes since opening day when Mike Prior caught a deflected toss in the second quarter.

''We did some good things and seemed to be in control,'' Simms said. ''When we have a chance to put a team away, though, we don't. We seem to do this each week. One of these times, we're not going to be able to do it and it's going to hurt us.''

Indianapolis (2-6) managed only 45 yards total offense in the first half, gaining only one first down and advancing no farther upfield than its own 39. The Colts rank last in NFL rushing yards, possession time and first downs.

''We had a tough time getting our offense in gear,'' Meyer said. ''This is an onward and upward building process for Jeff and our entire offensive unit. No question we have to do better. It was a tough night for our team.''

The Colts drove 80 yards following the second-half kickoff, scoring on Albert Bentley's 1-yard dive 7:18 into the third quarter. George threw a 17-yard pass to Bill Brooks on fourth-down and 7 to give the Colts a first-down at the New York 20-yard line. Three plays later, Lawrence Taylor was whistled for a personal foul after slapping George's helmet, giving the Colts a first down at the Giants 6.

Anderson's 3-yard run 3:26 before halftime gave the Giants and 17-0 lead at the break. His 2-yard touchdown run came two plays into the second quarter. New York moved 74 yards in 12 plays on the opening drive, scoring on Matt Bahr's 23-yard field goal.

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(NOV. 6) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	11	6	0	22	69	43
New Jersey	9	5	1	19	59	48
Washington	9	7	0	18	52	50
Philadelphia	8	7	0	16	58	53
Pittsburgh	7	6	1	15	64	54
NY Islanders	4	10	0	8	36	61

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	8	5	2	18	46	52
Montreal	8	6	2	18	53	50
Buffalo	5	5	4	14	45	41
Hartford	4	8	2	10	33	48
Quebec	3	9	3	9	40	61

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	10	6	0	20	52	37
St. Louis	9	4	1	19	51	39
Detroit	7	5	3	17	58	57
Minnesota	3	9	4	10	42	60
Toronto	2	13	1	5	42	80

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	11	5	0	22	68	45
Los Angeles	10	4	1	21	66	45
Vancouver	7	7	0	14	42	46
Winnipeg	6	8	1	13	48	47
Edmonton	2	8	2	6	31	37

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(NOV. 6) UPI - About 40 demonstrators maintained a vigil outside New York's Bellevue Hospital, where Meir Kahane died Monday night after being shot at a hotel. The crowd said prayers for the ultra right- wing rabbi and chanted ''May Israel live as One Nation'' in Hebrew. The man suspected of shooting the U-S-born founder of the Jewish Defense League suffered a gunshot wound to his chin. Police say two other people- including a bystander and a man who tried to stop the suspected gunman- were injured in the incident.

President Bush will vote in his adopted hometown of Houston Tuesday before returning to Washington... where he'll await the results of nearly 500

congressional and gubernatorial races. But Bush may be looking at a mid-term defeat, with all indications showing Democrats will win a vast majority of the seats. Bush has spent the week campaigning for Republican candidates.

Democrats are hoping Election Day will bring them one or two more seats in the Senate, where they already hold a 55-45 edge over Republicans. However, G-O-P analysts speculate Republicans may get through the day without losing any ground in the Senate. But the situation appears more volatile in the House. Democrats say they hope to pick up eight seats... but Republicans say it is possible they'll lose as many as 15 spots. Some disgruntled G-O-P insiders blame President Bush's declining popularity for hurting their chances. Said one Republican strategist- ''The anti-incumbent thing is real.''

The Soviet Union has good and bad news on its grain situation. The government on Monday announced a record 1990 grain harvest of 240- Million tons. But the bumper crop is NOT doing the Soviets much good, with the Kremlin unable to convince farmers to sell their goods for worthless rubles. The official government newspaper explains that goods are increasinly being exchanged for other goods without using money, making the ruble worthless.

Analysts say Wall Street is NO longer reacting to- in the words of one- ''every little rumor.'' World oil prices fell Monday on news of falling demand and rising output by OPEC, with the rumor-sated crude market focusing on supply-demand fundamentals instead of possible war in the Middle East. Economists say prices may slip further, depending what the American Petroleum Institute reports in its weekly inventories suvey late Tuesday.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 6) UPI - President Bush has signed the nation's deficit-cutting agreement, a package of tax hikes and spending cuts that evolved from a long and excruciating struggle between Congress and the White House.

Bush signed the five-year package at 9:20 p.m. Monday after a day of campaigning in Texas for Republican gubernatorial candidate Clayton Williams.

After signing the deficit agreement, Bush inked the fiscal-year appropriations bills that cover federal spending.

The compromise deficit-cutting legislation, passed by Congress on Oct. 27, was forged by House and Senate leaders and administration officials in three weeks of frantic and often bitter bargaining after the House, on Oct. 4, rejected an earlier agreement.

The final package calls for about $490 billion in deficit reduction through 1995, including a $40 billion rollback during the 1991 fiscal year that started on Oct. 1.

Included in the plan are initiatives to raise some $137 billion in new tax revenues.

Among these provisions are:

-An increase of the top income tax rate to 31 percent from 28 percent.

-A phase-out of high-income personal tax exemptions and limitation on deductions.

-An increase in the maximum income subject to Medicare tax.

-A series of new excise taxes on such items as gasoline, tobacco, alcohol and luxury items.

The plan also included a cut of nearly $43 billion in Medicare, the health insurance program for the elderly, with savings coming from reductions in patient payments and increases in beneficiary contributions.

In a statement, Bush said: ''This act is the result of long, hard work by the administration and the Congress. No one got everything he or she wanted, but the end product is a compromise that merits enactment.''

Bush alienated many members of the conservative wing of the Republican Party by renouncing the anti-tax promise that served as the foundation of his 1988 presidential campaign, with many GOP candidates actively distancing themselves from the president's support of the budget compromise.

The process began last January when Bush submitted his budget to Congress.

No movement on the issue prompted Bush and congressional leaders to call a budget summit, a process that dragged on through the summer and early fall and produced the proposal that was soundly rejected in the House.

The entire fiscal mess led to an anti-incumbency sentiment throughout the United States and taxed Bush's popularity, with a recent poll revealing the lowest approval rating of his presidency, at 48 percent.

Since Congress finalized the deal, Bush has sought to portray Democrats as solely responsible for the tax elements of the package, saying government spending cuts favored by the administration were held hostage to tax hikes favored by congressional Democrats.

A regular theme on the campaign trail was Bush's contention that if there were more Republicans in Congress there never would have been a budget stalemate and political hardship.

However, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said that he did not believe the election-eve signing would have ''any impact'' on Tuesday's vote and said ''it's a deficit-cutting bill the country needs ... got to do the country's business.''

In fact, Bush was greeted on the campaign trail Monday by a number of demonstrators holding signs that read: ''No More Taxes,'' a reminder of his broken ''Read My Lips: No New Taxes'' pledge that was a cornerstone of his 1988 presidential campaign.

During the budget debacle, Bush signed several stopgap measures to continue the federal spending during the budget talks. The government shut down Oct. 6-8 after the House rejected the first compromise plan.

The current stop-gap measure was to expire at midnight Monday.

The biggest revenue-generating tax item is the provision raising the cap of wages taxable for Medicare to $125,000, a move pegged to bring in $26.9 billion over five years.

Increasing the federal gasoline tax by a nickel per gallon is expected to generate $25.4 billion through 1995.

There will be a phased-in 8-cents increase in tax per pack of cigarettes, a 16-cents per six-pack increase in tax on beer and other tax hikes for wine and hard liquor, as well as taxes on luxury items such as expensive furs, cars, boats and jewelry.

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(NOV. 6) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

New Jersey at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Denver at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Detroit at Seattle, 10 p.m.
LA Clippers at Golden St., 10:30 p.m.
Portland at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

Chicago at Hartford, 7:35 p.m.
Washington at Quebec, 7:35 p.m.
Calgary at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at NY Islanders, 7:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at Winnipeg, 8:35 p.m.
Edmonton at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Detroit at Vancouver, 10:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Indianapolis - $150,000 Kraft General Foods women's tournament
London - $500,000 men's Silk Cut Championships
Moscow - $330,000 Kremlin Cup
Worcester, Mass. - $350,000 Virginia Slims of New England

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#90310u0229 11/06/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 6) UPI - Police in New York have in custody a man who shot and killed right- wing Rabbi Meir Kahane, the founder and leader of the Jewish Defense League. He was shot and at least three other people, including the gunman, were wounded Monday night in and around a Midtown Manhattan hotel.

Secretary of State Baker is scheduled to meet Tuesday with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. Baker met yesterday with the exiled emir of Kuwait to discuss the military option to get Iraq's invasion forces out of Kuwait.

China's foreign minister is on his way to Cairo to meet with Secretary of State Baker. He said the meeting with Baker on the Persian Gulf crisis will also help improve China's troubled relations with the United States.

The Environmental Protection Agency has imposed sweeping new requirements on cities and industry to develop programs for reducing contaminated run-off from streets, landfills, factories, and construction sites.

NASA managers are considering the possibility of launching the shuttle Columbia at the end of the month, about two weeks after the planned launch of Atlantis around November 16th on a secret military mission.

The Soviet Union has announced a record grain harvest, but at the same time, admits that it cannot pry the goods from the farmers for worthless rubles. The Soviet government newspaper says the state has been able to buy only one quarter of the record crop.

On Friday, Germans will celebrate the one-year anniversary of the opening of the Berlin Wall, a move that led to unification of the east and west. The day will be marked by the unveiling of a memorial to the 77 people shot dead while

trying to cross the wall.

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#90310u0250 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

COTABATO, Philippines (NOV. 6) UPI - Militant students heckled President Corazon Aquino during a speech Tuesday inaugurating a Moslem autonomous region aimed a bringing peace to the strife-torn southern island of Mindanao.

Soldiers forcibly broke up and arrested 17 youths belonging to the Bangsa Moro Students League who had linked arms and chanted anti- autonomy slogans in front of Aquino just after she began speaking in an open-air complex.

Aquino flew to Cotabato City, 550 miles south of Manila, to inaugurate the autonomous region created under a law she signed in August. The region is composed of four Moslem-dominated provinces in the southern Philippines.

The president paused and tried several times to resume with her speech but her voice was drowned out by chants of ''God is Great,'' ''We don't want this kind of autonomy'' and ''Don't be fooled by this government.''

Witnesses said the interruption went on for about two minutes. Civilian-clad and uniformed presidential guards moved in and pushed the students out of the complex where soldiers broke them up and hauled them to the police station in a truck.

Several students suffered bruises and had their clothes torn during the scuffle, witnesses said. Police said they would be charged with ''tumultuous disturbance'' and ''disturbance of public affairs.''

Last month, leftist students jeered at the president while she spoke during the launching of a multimillion-dollar industrial estate outside Manila. Recent results of private surveys show Aquino's popularity was on the downtrend.

Witnesses said the students had positioned themselves at the front row of the audience, estimated by police at 5,000 people including government officials and diplomats from Moslem countries.

In her speech, Aquino said she hoped the inauguration of the region would settle a war for Moslem independence in Mindanao, the nation's second largest island where more than 50,000 people have been killed in the insurgency since the 1970s.

Autonomous region officials shall have jurisdiction over government agencies in the area except for national defense, taxation, foreign affairs, postal services, monetary policy and citizenship, among others.

The region shall receive a yearly assistance of an equivalent of $22 million over the next five years from the Manila government.

The Moslem students, however, said they wanted autonomy under a 1976 agreement signed by first lady Imelda Marcos in Tripoli, Libya, granting automatic self-rule to 13 provinces and nine cities in Mindanao. They also want Moslem separatist guerrillas to be included in the autonomous government.

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#90310u0264 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

BONN (NOV. 6) UPI - Two days after Boris Becker broke off a match with Stefan Edberg of Sweden, it was still not clear how serious the German star's leg injury was, German newspapers said Tuesday.

Becker had to give up in the final of the $2 million tournament in Paris Sunday against Edberg, his main rival and the No. 1-ranked player in the world because of intense pain in his left thigh.

The papers said Hans-Wilhelm Mueller-Wohlfahrth, a Munich-based medical specialist consulted by Becker, believed Becker's injury was a hardening of the muscle in his left thigh rather than a rupture as was thought first.

Mueller-Wohlfarth, who is also the team-doctor of Germany's soccer champion Bayern Munich, said he would meet with Becker again on Wednesday.

The Bonn-based newspaper General-Anzeiger said it was doubtful Becker would be able to take part in next week's ATP Masters tournament in Franfurt.

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#90310u0272 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 6) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

New York police are investigating last night's fatal shooting of ultra right-wing Rabbi Meir Kahane at a hotel in midtown Manhattan. At least three other people, including the gunman, were wounded in the incident in and outside the hotel. The suspect is in police custody after undergoing surgery.

The Justice Department in investigating charges of voter intimidation by the Republican Party in North Carolina. The F-B-I has been ordered to look into Democratic claims that the G-O-P sent intimidating postcards to largely Democratic districts in the state where Republican Senator Jesse Helms faces a tough re-election battle.

President Bush signed the new tax-raising, deficit-cutting budget in Texas last night after a hard day of campaigning for the state's gubernatorial

nominee. Bush will cast his ballot in his adopted homestate tomorrow morning before heading back to Washington to await the results from around the nation.

Secretary of State Baker will meet today with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak as he continues his discussions of the Persian Gulf crisis with Arab leaders. Cairo Radio says Baker was expected to raise a possible timetable to oust Iraq from Kuwait. But Mubarak says he wants to stick with an embargo.

The Supreme Court heard arguments yesterday on Michigan's life term without parole for some first-time drug offenders. A lawyer opposing the law said it has not reduced the drug trade. But a Michigan prosecutor said the stiff sentence is a needed weapon in the war on drugs.

A State Department employee fired yesterday reportedly had ties with Soviet spies. Leaks from investigators say Felix Bloch was in contact with a Soviet agent in Paris and Vienna and he was photographed handing over a briefcase to the agent. Secretary of State Baker says Bloch was fired for security reasons.

The space agency is considering bending a rule requiring three weeks between shuttle flights. Atlantis is expected to be launched around November 16th on a secret military mission. NASA managers are considering launching Columbia within two weeks of that to allow Columbia to end its mission well before Christmas.

A former Newport Beach stockbroker pleaded guilty yesterday in Los Angeles to charges that he used information in an UNreleased magazine column to buy stocks that brought him about 66-thousand dollars. John Petit paid a former publishing worker for the advance information published in Business Week.

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#90310u0287 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, Egypt (NOV. 6) UPI - A former interior minister has called on Egypt to expel Palestinians and prohibit PLO chairman Yasser Arafat from entering the country, an Egyptian opposition newspaper reported Tuesday.

The Al Ahrar said former Interior Minister Zaki Badr made the call during a meeting of the Arab affairs, foreign and national security committee of Egypt's upper Parliament.

''Such a decision must be made because those (the Palestinians) are working with the aim of destroying stability in Egypt,'' Al Ahrar quoted Badr as saying during the meeting.

Badr, who was removed by President Hosni Mubarak last year for his sharp criticisms, is a member of the Consultative Council, or upper Parliament.

Egyptian newspapers accused pro-Iraqi Palestinians of being behind the slaying

of Egypt's Speaker of Parliament Rifaat El Mahgoub last month, but police later discovered that Egyptian Moslem extremists had been responsible for his Oct. 12 assassination.

Hundreds of Moslem extremists have been taken into custody since the assassination of Mahgoub, the No. 2 man in the Egyptian government after Mubarak.

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#90310u0369 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

GENEVA (NOV. 6) UPI - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher told King Hussein of Jordan Tuesday that military action must be one option to resolving the gulf crisis, British diplomats said after a meeting between the two leaders.

Thatcher and Hussein met for 50 minutes before addressing a U.N. conference on countering the greenhouse effect of global climate warming.

The British sources told reporters that Hussein at the meeting repeated his previous appeals for a peaceful solution in the gulf by means of ''dialogue,'' and would continue his efforts to secure the release of hostages.

Thatcher for her part said that although everyone wants a peaceful outcome ''the military option cannot be ruled out'' to force Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, the sources said.

The prime minister, they said, also expressed her ''concern'' about the number of politicians and other people going to Baghdad to seek the release of foreigners held in Iraq.

Thatcher did not specifically cite the latest such trip to Iraq by former German Chancellor Willy Brandt, the sources said.

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#90310u0396 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 6) UPI - Snow and chilly temperatures stretched from the Rocky Mountains through the Great Plains Tuesday while high winds whipped through western New York state and Maine, where gale warnings were in effect.

In the Plains, several inches of snow fell in Iowa and Nebraska while cold temperatures extended in Illinois with clouds and some rain.

The real nasty weather occurred to the west though with winter storm warnings and advisories posted for much of central and southern Wyoming and parts of Colorado as temperatures plummeted and winds increased.

In Lander, Wyo., 7 inches of snow was on the ground by 2 a.m., pushing the total to 11 inches, while winds in the southern half of the state reached 30 mph, causing snow to blow and drift and sending wind chill factors down to minus 20 degrees.

Snow, heavy in some areas, was falling in central and northeast Colorado and Denver was expecting up to 6 inches of snow that also was blowing and drifting due to high winds.

Strong winds peaking at 69 mph swept through upstate New York, causing flooding and erosion on the shores of Lake Erie. Trees were reported down in the region.

A small craft advisory was upgraded to a gale warning from Eastport, Maine, to the Merrimack River in Massachusetts as winds topped 40 mph and seas averaged 4 to 8 feet.

A winter weather advisory was in effect for northern Maine as a storm system moving up the St. Lawrence River Valley brought a mixture of snow, sleet and rain to the state. Another storm forming over the Atlantic was expected to bring more snow to the state, with total accumulations between 2 and 5 inches.

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#90310u0416 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (NOV. 6) UPI - The African National Congress sent a top official Tuesday to the western township of Bekkersdal to try to stop fighting between black political factions that has killed 25 people in six days.

ANC veteran Wilton Mkwayi and a team of assistants ''will plead for peace among the residents ... the police have not been able to end this, '' an ANC spokesman said.

The bloody clashes broke out last Thursday among youths arguing over whether to boycott exams at the end of the school year.

Groups have since fought sporadically with axes, knives, clubs and gasoline bombs, police spokesman Capt. Eugene Opperman said, noting scores of families have fled their homes to avoid the violence.

Opperman said police had arrested eight people and confiscated two AK-47 assault rifles and other weapons. But he conceded, ''We're not really finding it easy to stop this fighting.''

He said the figure of 25 dead could climb ''as we are finding bodies in isolated spots.'' Police estimate about 10 people have been injured.

Followers of the militantly black-consciousness Azanian People's Organization clashed with ANC supporters who had been urging students to boycott the exams, police said.

The tension in Bekkersdal reflects the national rivalry between the two movements.

AZAPO primarily accuses the more popular ANC of going soft on its struggle against white minority rule by holding preliminary power- sharing talks with the government.

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#90310u0459 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 6) UPI - Jewish leaders vow retaliation for the death of Rabbi Meir Kahane , who was shot to death last night in a Manhattan hotel. Irv Rubin of Los Angeles, Kahane's successor as leader of the Jewish Defense League, said ''We will go out there and we will strike back.''

Election officials fear voter apathy in today's mid-term voting. Some analysts predict that any large-scale anti-incumbent sentiment will fizzle. Democrats are expected to make some gains in the House and Senate.

Secretary of State Baker met last night in Saudi Arabia with King Fahd. A senior administration official said the United States and Saudi Arabia have reached a two-tiered agreement on command and control of U-S forces based in the kingdom to confront Iraq.

The wife of a dissident intellectual whom Chinese authorities called the ''chief criminal instigator'' of last year's crushed democracy movement has issued a risky and emotional plea for help in winning his freedom from prison.

Militant students today heckled Philippine President Corazon Aquino during a speech inaugurating a Moslem autonomous region aimed a bringing peace to the strife-torn southern island of Mindanao.

An Egyptian opposition newspaper reports today that a former interior minister has called on Egypt to expel Palestinians and prohibit P-L-O chairman Yasser Arafat from entering the country.

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#90310u0543 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan, (NOV. 6) UPI - Nawaz Sharif, the head of the army-backed alliance that defeated Benazir Bhutto in last month's elections, was sworn in as prime minister Tuesday.

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, who sacked Bhutto's government in August,

administered the oath of office to Sharif at a ceremony in the presidential palace.

The National Assembly earlier Tuesday elected Sharif as prime minister. He received 153 votes in the 217-member assembly with 39 going to the only other candidate, Afzal Khan, an ally of Bhutto.

Sharif's election in the assembly became a formality after he received the nomination last week of his Islamic Democratic Alliance, a right-wing coalition of parties opposed to Bhutto that scored a convincing victory over the ex-prime minister's Pakistan People's Party in the Oct. 24 elections.

Sharif, in a brief speech following his election, offered a ''hand of cooperation'' to Bhutto.

''We will extend the same honor to the opposition members as we would to those on our own benches,'' he said.

Bhutto, in a hard-hitting speech to the assembly, repeated allegations the IDA had rigged the elections, but offered her support to the new administration ''if they stand by the people.'' She also issued a veiled appeal to the IDA government to reject military interference.

''I welcome the new administration in the hope that it will ... strive to increase the democratic space available to civilian, representative institutions and not be deterred by the fact that others before them have fallen in pursuing this goal,'' she said.

Pakistan has been under military rule for more than half of its 43- year history.

Sharif, 42, is a wealthy self-made industrialist, unlike most other senior Pakistani politicians, who come from feudal landowning families. He was formerly chief minister of Punjab, Pakistan's most populous province, from where he engaged in acrimonious disputes with Bhutto's administration in Islamabad.

He becomes Pakistan's first Punjabi prime minister. The office has traditionally been held by natives of Sind because of the southern province's ethnic sensitivities.

But analysts say he won the nomination over Sindi caretaker prime minister Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi because of his prominent role in the defeat of Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party in last month's elections.

The PPP won elections in November 1988, the first democratic voting in Pakistan in 11 years.

But Ishaq Khan dismissed Bhutto's 20-month-old administration on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism and of failing to control law and order. Many believe the president's action was inspired by the army, which had been in conflict with the Bhutto government.

Bhutto, 37, now leader of the opposition, and members of her administration are facing charges of misuse of power in Special Disqualificiation Courts set up by Ishaq Khan. If found guilty, they could be barred from politics for seven years.

In her speech to the assembly Tuesday, Bhutto charged the courts were established to ''discredit and tarnish the representative leaders who selflessly served this nation.''

Bhutto's husband, businessman Asif Ali Zardari, was also arrested last month on charges of kidnapping and extortion. He was temporarily released from jail in the southern port of Karachi to take the assembly seat he won in the elections.

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#90310u0573 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 6) UPI - Rabbi Meir Kahane, the outspoken founder of the Jewish Defense League, was shot and killed last night in a Manhattan hotel. Kahane was shot in the head and chest and died in a hospital. His attacker wounded two other men as he fled. A suspect, Lel Sayyid Nosair, was shot in the chin and underwent surgery. Police said he is of Middle Eastern ancestry and apparently acted alone. Kahane was born in Brooklyn. The militant Zionist was elected to Israel's parliament in 1984, but his views were so radical he was NOT permitted to run for re- election.

The Justice Department is sending election observers to five states to watch today's voting. Assistant Attorney General John Dunne, head of the Civil Rights Division, says the moniters will record activities during voting hours and then watch the counting of ballots. 212 observers are being sent to seven counties in North Carolina, South Carolina, Arizona, New Mexico and Utah.

President Bush has signed into law the deficit-cutting package that increases taxes and cuts spending. Bush signed it last night, just hours before a temporary spending bill expired. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says he does NOT believe the election-eve signing will have any impact on the vote. But the fiscal crisis has led to sentiment against office holders involved in the process. Bush's own popularity fell to 48 percent, the lowest since he became president.

Oil prices tumbled yesterday following an interview with the Saudi oil minister, who said his nation has increased daily production by three Million barrels since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. The New York price for West Texas

Intermediate oil fell two dollars a barrel, to about 32 dollars. Home heating oil and UNleaded gasoline also fell sharply.

The Soviet Union says the grain harvest this year was a record 240- Million tons. But the government canNOT get farmers to sell it for rubles which are NOT worth much. The Soviet newspaper Izvestia says the state has been able to buy only about one-quarter of the grain. Izvestia says farmers do NOT fear the penalties for NON-delivery. It also says collectivized farmers want to hold on to the grain because they fear feed grain prices may increase.

Pakistan's National Assembly has elected Nawaz Sharif as the new prime minister. The only other candidate was Afzal Khan, who was associated with ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto . Sharif was assured the election last week when he was nominated by the Islamic Democratic Alliance, a right-wing coalition of parties opposing Bhutto.

The Environmental Protection Agency has issued regulations to minimize pollutants that may end up in rivers and lakes. Discharge permits will be required for storm water sewers that collect runoff water from street drains. This water picks up grease, toxic metals and pesticides which are not removed in sewage treatment and are ultimately dumped into rivers and lakes.

Massachusetts' highest court has upheld Charles Stuart's lawyer who refused to testify about a meeting with Stuart, even though the client is now dead. Stuart is the man who blamed a black robber when his pregnant wife was killed. Stuart committed suicide after learning he had become the chief suspect. The Supreme Judicial Court ruled that the lawyer-client privilege lasts even after the client is dead.

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#90310u0636 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 6) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange fell sharply Tuesday in thin, aimless trading as investors continued to await market-making news.

The blue chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected shares, which added 190.34 points Monday, lost 419.58 points - or 1.7 percent - to 23, 965.75.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares, which gained 14.85 points Monday, slipped 19.61 points to 1, 781.62.

Declines overpowered advances 755 to 187, while 151 issues remained unchanged.

Trading continued light as an estimated 280 million shares changed hands, compared with 214 million Monday.

Elsewhere in Asia, a late slide on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange erased minor gains posted earlier as stocks closed slightly lower in light trading.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which slipped 11.68 points Monday, eased 0.53 points to 2,966.71.

Among the narrower indexes, financials shed 8.27 points, industrials added 1.68, utilities gained 7.77 and properties fell 4.39 points.

Volume continued to be thin as an estimated 741 million shares changed hands, compared with 709.8 million Monday.

In Singapore, stocks eased slightly in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in line with the fall in Tokyo and absence of fresh factors to stimulate buying.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which added 1.82 points Monday, fell 12.58 points to 1,120.34. The broader-based All Singapore Index fell 1.97 points to 313.18.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 31.4 million shares, compared with 29.4 million shares changing hands Monday.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stock prices closed lower in light trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

In Manila, a late rally in blue chip stocks helped boost prices on the Manila exchange.

In Taipei, stocks closed lower on the Taiwan Exchange.

In Australia, stocks closed higher in light trading on the Sydney sharemarket.

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(NOV. 6) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	59	35	....
Anchorage sn	29	08	.22
Asheville sy	65	31	.14
Atlanta sy	66	45	.14
Baltimore pc	63	35	.08
Billings pc	32	20	.09
Birmingham pc	66	38	.44
Bismarck pc	29	07	....
Boston w	59	38	.52
Brownsville pc	80	66	....
Buffalo w	43	33	.63

Burlington Vt. sh	47	31	.22
Charleston S.C. sy	74	47	....
Charlotte sy	70	41	....
Chicago cy	43	29	.34
Cincinnati mc	50	33	.26
Cleveland mc	46	33	.48
Columbus Ohio mc	48	33	.54
Dallas sy	68	45	....
Denver sn	28	11	.41
Des Moines sn	38	21	....
Detroit cy	46	31	1.08
Duluth cy	33	16	....
El Paso c	71	43	....
Evansville pc	55	35	.16
Fargo pc	30	09	....
Hartford w	58	34	.53
Honolulu sy	87	72	....
Houston pc	73	56	....
Indianapolis pc	50	32	.56
Jackson Miss. sy	68	38	.01
Jacksonville sy	77	52	....
Kansas City cy	48	29	....
Las Vegas w	61	42	....
Little Rock sy	60	41	....
Los Angeles f	72	53	....
Louisville pc	55	35	.26
Memphis sy	62	40	.05
Miami Beach sy	85	69	....
Milwaukee sn	41	30	.44
Minneapolis cy	36	19	....
Nashville sy	59	36	.20
New Orleans sy	65	48	....
New York pc	63	45	.10
Oklahoma City pc	60	34	....
Omaha sn	35	15	.06
Orlando pc	82	63	....
Philadelphia w	63	36	.05
Phoenix pc	74	53	....
Pittsburgh w	49	32	.33
Portland Me. r	52	32	.15
Portland Ore. pc	55	41	.07
Providence w	61	36	.98
Richmond pc	69	38	.05
St. Louis pc	52	35	.03
Salt Lake City pc	42	22	.41
San Antonio pc	76	58	....
San Diego pc	68	52	....
San Francisco sy	70	49	....

San Juan pc	89	75	....
Seattle pc	51	43	....
Spokane pc	42	24	....
Tampa pc	82	63	.03
Washington pc	65	39	.06
Wichita pc	49	29	....

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hz-haze
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mc-mostly cloudy
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sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90310u0688 11/06/1990 ~United Press International
BONN, Germany (NOV. 6) UPI - German inflation jumped 3.3 percent in October compared with the same month a year ago, while more than two million people were registered as unemployed, official reports said Tuesday.

The Federal Statistics Office said in a report inflation only rose 2.5 percent without taking into consideration oil and gasoline prices.

But it added that the price increases in the two commodities - attributed to the Gulf crisis - pushed up inflation in October to 3.3 percent from October 1989.

In September, inflation rose 3.0 percent compared with the year-ago month and in August 2.8 percent compared with August 1989.

In another report, the Federal Labor Office said the total number of jobless people in Germany was 2,225,233 in October.

Unemployment continued to drop in west Germany by 186,200 to 1,687, 434 or a 6.5 percent jobless rate in October from the previous month, the report said.

The levels marked the first time the number of jobless in western Germany fell

below the 1.7-million level in nine years.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl said in a statement released after the data was published that the employment market is in ''excellent shape'' and that 28.8 million jobs was a ''record mark.''

But in the former East Germany, which unified with West Germany Oct. 3, unemployment soared 21 percent over the previous month - or 92,900 people - to 537,800 for a jobless rate of 6.1 percent, the report said.

The number of short-time workers, who work shorter hours for lower wages, was reported at 1.77 million people, the report said.

''(In eastern Germany), the latest job data signals that we are in the midst of a difficult transition phase from the socialist command economy to the free market system,'' Kohl said.

When the free market system was introduced in East Germany July 1 as part of economic union and in advance of German unification, western imports flooded the East German market, pushing East German companies to the edge of bankruptcy.

Many of the 8,000 former state-controlled companies were forced to make drastic cuts in work force, impose short-time work or close down.

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CAIRO (NOV. 6) UPI - An opponent of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was quoted Tuesday as saying that the Iraqi leader is using the U.N.-imposed trade embargo to starve people in areas of the country hostile to his regime.

''Once the embargo was announced, Saddam issued his decision to starve the areas where the majority of the population opposes him,'' Mohammed Haidari, member of consultive council of the Islamic Revolution in Iraq told the Saudi Asharq Al-Awsat newspaper.

Observers say the sanctions, imposed by the United Nations in an effort to force Iraqi troops out of Kuwait, have seriously effected the Iraqi people but have had no impact on Saddam's policy decisions.

Haidari, who was interviewed in Damascus, said he believed Saddam's policy ''will lead to a very high pressure toward a real uprising in the ranks of the Iraqi people.''

He said groups opposing the regime of Saddam were attempting to topple him and form a new government in Baghdad.

''We are trying to destroy the security infrastructure, particulary the ones the regime is depending on,'' Haidari said.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 6) UPI - Anyone who has bought a plane ticket since 1987 could be party to a class-action suit alleging major airlines used a computerized fare system to fix prices.

Plaintiffs are suing USAir, Northwest, Delta, Continental, United, TWA and American airlines, alleging they used a Washington-based computer clearinghouse, Airline Tariff Publishing Co., to signal fare changes, agree on price increases and threaten fare cuts. ATP also is named as a defendant in the suit.

The defendants deny the allegations and likely will oppose the class- action certification, said Delta attorney Edward B. Krugman.

If U.S. District Judge Marvin H. Shoob certifies the suit as a class action, every person who has bought a plane ticket since 1987 could technically be a plaintiff and potentially benefit from the decision, said W. Pitts Carr, the Atlanta attorney who filed the first suit in July. Shoob likely will not decide on the class-action issue until early next year.

''In 1988, 150 million tickets were sold so that would give you a rough idea of the possible magnitude of this case,'' Carr said. ''There are literally tens of millions of people or companies who are potential class members.''

A panel of federal judges placed 31 separate suits in Shoob's court Friday after deciding Atlanta was easily accessible to the most parties.

''Delta denies totally the allegations ... concerning our participation in any conspiracy to fix prices,'' Krugman said.

The suit alleges the network allows airlines to respond to price changes before fares are even offered to the public. Sometimes, an airline signals its displeasure in matching a low fare by publishing it on the computer with a coded prefix, the suit says.

The suit asks for undetermined damages that would be tripled under federal antitrust laws.

ATP collects fare data from 270 foreign and domestic carriers, and transmits it to consumers, including 36,000 travel agencies, said Terrence B. Adamson, one of its Atlanta attorneys. The company handles about 160,000 fare changes a day.

Adamson said the computer network simply makes fares more competitive. However the lawsuit's claims are similar to allegations that federal antitrust attorneys have been investigating, and Shoob has ordered that the airlines produce copies of documents turned over to the Department of Justice and not destroy other documents.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 6) UPI - South African church leaders representing 85 denominations across the political spectrum met for a second day Tuesday in a difficult bid to bury their differences and reach a common approach to the country's political reform process.

The gathering at a resort hotel in the northeastern town of Rustenberg is the first such undertaking since a conference in 1960, when a short-lived unity pact was drafted among church leaders in response to the police killings in Sharpeville Township.

Among the delegates are leaders of the white Dutch Reformed Church, which sanctioned a biblical underpinning to apartheid, the strongly anti-apartheid South African Council of Churches, and pentacostal and fundamentalist churches.

The five-day National Conference of Churches was opened Monday by Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu, who appealed for unity and reconciliation but insisted those responsible for apartheid must accept guilt.

''We come here not to engage in recrimination,'' said the 1984 Nobel Peace Prize laureate. ''If there is to be reconciliation, we must be christ's instruments of peace.''

''In this land we are bound together by common humanity by having only one God. The only way we will ever be able to survive, to be free, to be human, is together, black and white.''

SACC president Khoza Mgogo called Monday for a joint strategy on the redistribution of wealth as part of the country's racial reform agenda, spurred by President Frederik De Klerk's reform program unveiled earlier this year to eliminate all apartheid laws.

''The land must be returned to the people,'' he said. ''The land cannot be owned by the few and worked by the many. The land is the future for the people and without it, the majority of the people will be lost.''

He said the conference should establish a framework in which churches could address the issue of wealth redistribution in general.

''This entails all social means such as housing, education, health, wages,

leisure facilities, pension and ecology,'' he said, noting a commitment to wealth redistribution would ''recharge the process of reconciliation in our country.''

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(NOV. 6) UPI - Rabbi Meir Kahane, the militant Jewish leader, was shot and killed last night in New York. The killings of two Arabs in the Israeli-occupied West Bank are blamed on Jewish revenge. Villagers say a gunman drove by, shot the two and drove off. Kahane's followers warned of revenge, while moderate Israelis called for restraint.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher says protecting the environment is a bigger challenge than meeting the threat of tyrants. At a world climate conference in Geneva, Thatcher said Britain supports efforts to reverse the emissions of carbon dioxide causing the greenhouse effect of global warming.

Secretary of State Baker flew to Cairo today for talks on the gulf crisis with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. Baker is consulting with Arab leaders about the possibility of using military force to get Iraq out of Kuwait. Mubarak has said he prefers sanctions to military strikes.

Sources close to the investigation of a former diplomat in the U-S Embassy in Vienna say he was in contact with a Soviet agent in Paris and in Vienna. They say the diplomat handed over a briefcase to the Soviet agent. The diplomat, Felix Bloch, was fired yesterday after an investigation and hearing.

A new book says the U-S government had secret contacts with the Palestine Liberation Organization in the 1980's, even though such talks were illegal then. In 1988, Secretary of State Shultz agreed to make Sweden an intermediary. The contacts finally led to the P-L-O's renunciation of terrorism.

A court clerk says sentencing for former junk-bond king Michael Milken is expected next week. He pleaded guilty to six counts of securities fraud and faces a maximum prison term of 28 years. A two-week hearing was held in federal court in New York to learn if he committed other crimes.

Democrats charge dirty politics in North Carolina. They say Republicans sent postcards with inaccurate information to discourage Democrats from voting in today's U-S Senate election. They also say the Republicans plan to challenge voters whose postcards were returned by the Post Office. The Justice Department is investigating.

The government proposes that makers of drugs tell doctors about side effects that may harm older people. Health Secretary Louis Sullivan says the loss of kidney functions with age may make drugs more potent. A spokesman for a

manufacturers' association was favorable to the proposed regulations.

The government is making specific diet suggestions in its new edition of Dietary Guidelines. The Health and Human Services Department guide recommends that fats be limited to 30 percent of caloric intake. People should eat a variety of foods, including fiber, and use salt, sugar and alcoholic beverages in moderation.

The government has reprimanded Marinelife Oceanarium in Gulfport, Mississippi, for letting Miss Teen U-S-A contestants swim with dolphins. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration sent a letter saying Marinelife's permit does NOT allow humans to swim with captive dolphins.

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#90310u0752 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

EAST LANSING, MI (NOV. 6) UPI - Michigan State University quarterback Dan Enos was arrested for disorderly conduct and spent a night in jail after being accused of urinating in public, police said.

Enos, 22, who led the Spartans to a 45-20 victory over Indiana on Saturday, was arrested about 1 a.m. Sunday on Grand River Avenue, the city's main street said Capt. Richard Murray of the East Lansing Police Department.

Clarence Underwood, assistant athletic director at MSU, said Enos has denied any wrongdoing. MSU football coach George Perles had no comment Monday on the arrest.

MSU President John DiBiaggio said the university will not take action unless the quarterback is proven guilty.

''The student is claiming he didn't do anything wrong, that it was mistaken identity, and he has witnesses to that fact,'' DiBiaggio said. ''He claims he's innocent and they mistook him for someone he was with for doing something and arrested him.''

Enos was with several friends, none of them team members, when he was arrested. Police said he was held in the city jail eight hours because he apparently had been drinking.

Enos is to appear in court within 10 days. He is the fourth Spartan football player to have problems with the police in the past two years.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 6) UPI - Communist guerrillas have kidnapped an American Protestant missionary in the northern Philippines, the military said

Tuesday.

A military report said Harvey Brown Duane of Seattle, Wash., was driving a jeep along a highway in Aparri, Cagayan, 260 miles north of Manila, on Oct. 24 when he was stopped and taken hostage at a checkpoint set up by the guerrillas.

There has been no ransom demand and there was no explanation for the abduction nearly two weeks after it happened.

U.S. embassy spokesman Stanley Schrager said he had heard of the kidnapping and had no details.

Schrager said there were no indications the kidnapping was related to the third round of talks on the future of key U.S. military facilities scheduled to begin Thursday in Manila.

On June 13, communist New Peoples Army guerrillas also kidnapped American Peace Corps volunteer Timothy Swanson in central Negros island but released him unharmed after 50 days.

The military report said guerrillas of the NPA had just ambushed two army teams and were fleeing from government reinforcements when they chanced upon Duane, a former U.S. Marine.

The rebels had been manning a checkpoint along the highway at the height of a general strike for higher wages which they had been supporting.

They set fire to a passenger bus and seven cargo trucks in support of the strike. Two hours later, the report said, the guerrillas ambushed a jeepload of soldiers and an army team sent to reinforce the beleaguered troops.

This forced the rebels to split up into three groups. The report said one group encountered Duane's jeep and took him hostage at gunpoint.

U.S. officials have restricted travel for 40,000 American servicemen and their dependents stationed at Clark Air Base and Sibic Bay Naval complex, both north of Manila, fearing rebel attacks during the bases talks.

On the eve of the first round of talks in May, guerrillas gunned down two visiting servicemen outside Clark. The rebels also bombed a transmission tower of the Voice of America one day before the second round of talks began in September.

The 19,000-member NPA, fighting the Manila government for 21 years, has vowed to assassinate Americans to dramatize demands for the removal of the bases.

In addition to Clark and Subic, the Philippines hosts six other smaller facilities under a 47-year-old bases agreement expiring in 1991.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Nov. 5: Purchases of 317, 870 shares and sales of 600,014 shares including 37,116 shares sold short.

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#90310u0800 11/06/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - Non-farm business productivity increased 1.6 percent in the third quarter after edging up a revised 0.3 percent in the second quarter, the Labor Department reported Tuesday.

Unit labor costs rose 2.8 percent in July, August and September after increasing a revised 4.7 percent in April, May and June, according to the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

A gauge of inflation tied to the data advanced 3 percent in the third quarter after jumping a revised 4.8 percent in the second quarter of the year, the government also reported.

The total increase in non-farm productivity - defined as the output per hour of workers - was the largest since the third quarter of 1988, when it jumped 2.8 percent, a government spokesman said.

Output increased 1.5 percent in the third quarter after a revised uptick of 1.2 percent in the second quarter, while hours worked fell 0.1 percent after inching up a revised 0.9 percent in the previous three months.

''Quarterly output gains have been fairly steady during 1990, while hours have slowed,'' the Labor Department said. ''The third-quarter drop in hours was the first since the second quarter of 1986 when hours fell 0.8 percent.''

Hourly compensation increased 4.5 percent in the third quarter, but was down 1.8 percent, when inflation was taken into account, the department said.

''During the second quarter, the comparable changes were 5 percent and 1.2 percent, respectively,'' the report said. ''The third-quarter decline in real hourly compensation was the seventh in the past eight quarters.''

Factory productivity, meanwhile, gained 5.6 percent in the third quarter after climbing a revised 3.1 percent in the second quarter, as the makers of ''big ticket'' durable goods increased output and slashed hours.

The figures in the Labor Department report are adjusted for critical seasonal

factors.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $380.30 silver base of $4.22 and platinum price of $426.00:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$396.00	392.60
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	203.20	201.40
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	104.30	103.50
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.10	42.70
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	396.00	392.60
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	203.20	201.40
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	104.80	104.00
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.10	42.70
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	402.30	398.90
China Panda .50 troy oz.	207.00	205.60
China Panda .25 troy oz.	107.50	106.60
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.40	46.00
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.70	27.50
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	396.10	392.70
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	202.40	200.70
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	102.30	101.40
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.00	43.70
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	394.00	391.20
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	204.20	202.50
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	104.80	104.00
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.60	44.20
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	393.90	391.20
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	202.50	201.00
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.90	86.00
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	44.70
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.00	23.80
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.62	$5.59
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,210	$3,190
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	441.00	433.00
Isle of Man Noble	438.00	430.00

Canada Maple Leaf	449.00	441.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 6) UPI - President Bush and his wife Barbara cast their ballots at a Houston retirement community center, ending the president's six-day campaign swing on behalf of Republican candidates he says he needs in the Democratic Congress.

The president voted shortly before 9 a.m. and immediately headed for the airport to fly back to Washington where he will await the election returns at the White House.

The first lady gave a thumbs-up sign when she dropped her ballot in the box. The president declined to answer reporters when asked to predict the outcome of the election, saying only, ''I don't want them to get me for loitering, so I'm going.''

White House chief of staff John Sununu reiterated to reporters that Tuesday's election will not be a referendum on the Bush presidency, but insisted that despite Bush's recent drop in the polls, the president helped GOP candidates in recent days by helping energize the campaign.

Bush's broken 1988 ''no new taxes'' campaign pledge - and his handling of the tax-raising, deficit-cutting budget battle with Congress - was a key issue of Election 1990.

Bush's polls plunged and so did the GOP's chances of making gains in the House and the Senate, where Democrats currently hold margins of 258- 175, and 55-45 respectively.

Bush signed the new spending package late Monday in the dark of night. It calls for $492 billion in tax hikes and spending cuts over the next five years.

The president said in a brief statement, ''No one got everything he or she wanted, but the end product is a compromise that merits enactment.''

Democrats hope they would pick up perhaps two seats in the Senate, while the GOP theorized it might be able to hold even.

In the House, both sides say Democrats are likely to pickup 8 to 15 seats.

The president has said repeatedly in recent weeks that he would have been able

to obtain a better budget deal if he had more Republicans in Congress to combat what he described as ''tax-and-spend Democrats.''

Wrapping up a six-day campaign swing for fellow Republicans, Bush told a rally in Tyler, Texas, Monday, ''I've listened to some of the campaign rhetoric coming out of the other side and it's sad.''

''It is pessimistic. It is downbeat. It is tired. And it's liberal,'' the president said.

''We are the party with a vision for the future, the party with new ideas. And if America wants to change, I think we need a Republican Congress. And I wish we could get it now - tomorrow - and then watch what we can do.''

Republican Clayton Williams is in a nip and tuck race with Democrat Ann Richards, a longtime Bush nemisis.

The president has appeared at Williams' side in church, at a Republican phone banks and, Monday, at GOP rallies in Tyler, Waco and Houston.

He wound up the 1990 political season trying to exact revenge on Richards, the shrill-voiced Texas state treasurer who held him up to public ridicule at the 1988 Democratic Convention.

''Where's George? Right here! Right here in Waco, Texas, supporting ... Clayton Williams,'' Bush told a GOP rally of several hundred people in Richards' hometown in central Texas.

The White House insists that the election will not be a referendum on the Bush presidency.

Maybe not. But it will go a long way toward setting the political landscape for 1992, when Bush will be up for reelection.

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(NOV. 6) UPI - Supporters of Rabbi Meir Kahane say his death last night could lead to acts of revenge against Arabs in Israel and the United States. Kahane, the founder of the Jewish Defense League, was shot to death at a Manhattan hotel after he made a speech. The man alleged to have shot Kahane wounded two more people before he was shot on the street. He underwent surgery for a bullet wound in the chin. Police said the gunman was of Middle Eastern ancestry. An overflow crowd is expected to line the wide boulevards in the heavily Jewish sections of Brooklyn for Kahane's funeral this afternoon. .

Irv Rubin of Los Angeles, Kahane's successor as leader of the J-D-L, threatened retaliation in the death. Police in Israel stepped up patrols today

to prevent attacks on Arabs. Palestinian sources say two Arab residents of a remote West Bank village were killed today by a gunman driving a car with Israeli license plates.

Democrats hope to score big gains and Republicans hope for minimal losses in today elections. At stake in today's balloting is the entire House, one-third of the Senate and 36 governorships. The central question appears to be whether public anger with elected officials will translate into voter reaction against incumbents. Voter turnout was projected to be extremely poor, possibly the lowest since World War two.

Many voters in northern Michigan needed a shovel to get to the polls today. A winter storm that blew in from the west dumped as much as one foot of snow across the northern Lower Peninsula and eastern Upper Peninsula. Snow and chilly temperatures stretched from the Rocky Mountains through the Great Plains today. Winter weather advisories are in effect for much of central and southern Wyoming, parts of Colorado, and in northern Maine.

Saudi Arabia's royal family today sent mixed signals about a possible military strike against Iraq. Following a meeting with Secretary of State Baker, Saudi Arabian foreign minister Prince Saud al-Faisal told reporters that a peaceful settlement is ''in the hands of the Iraqis.'' After meeting with the prince in Jeddah, Baker flew to Cairo to meet with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher told King Hussein of Jordan today that military action must be one option to resolve the Gulf crisis. British sources say Hussein repeated his previous appeals for a peaceful solution in the Gulf by means of ''dialogue.'' Thatcher and Hussein met for 50 minutes in Geneva before addressing a U-N conference on countering the greenhouse effect of global climate warming.

In Pakistan today, Nawaz Sharif, the head of the army-backed alliance that defeated Benazir Bhutto in last month's elections, was sworn in as prime minister. In a brief speech following his election, Sharif offered a ''hand of co-operation'' to Bhutto. The National Assembly earlier today elected Sharif as prime minister.

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(NOV. 6) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Nov. 6:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	44	07
Amsterdam r	1pm	48	08
Ankara pc	3pm	57	14

Athens c	2pm	72	22
Auckland cy	12m	58	14
Beijing cy	8pm	50	10
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	42	05
Bonn c	1pm	44	06
Brussels c	1pm	45	07
Cairo c	2pm	84	28
Casablanca cy	12n	74	23
Copenhagen c	1pm	49	09
Dakar pc	12n	84	29
Dublin cy	1pm	51	10
Geneva pc	1pm	42	05
Helsinki cy	2pm	42	05
Hong Kong c	8pm	76	24
Jerusalem pc	2pm	77	25
Karachi	5pm	-	-
Lisbon pc	1pm	63	17
London c	1pm	51	10
Madrid cy	1pm	51	11
Malta pc	1pm	70	21
Manila pc	8pm	80	27
Moscow cy	3pm	34	01
Nairobi cy	3pm	77	25
Nassau cy	7am	79	26
New Delhi c	6pm	82	27
Nice c	1pm	63	17
Oslo c	1pm	47	08
Paris c	1pm	46	08
Pretoria pc	2pm	72	22
Riyadh	3pm	89	31
Rome pc	1pm	57	14
Seoul pc	9pm	53	11
Sofia c	2pm	47	08
Stockholm pc	1pm	46	07
Sydney cy	10pm	68	20
Taipei c	8pm	75	23
Tokyo c	9pm	66	19
Tunis pc	1pm	68	20
Vienna cy	1pm	45	07
Warsaw cy	1pm	40	04

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	66	19
Caracas cy	8am	74	23
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	62	16
Mexico City	6am	-	-

Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	69	21
Santiago cy	8am	56	13

Canada		
Calgary	-	-
Edmonton	-	-
Montreal r	40	04
Ottawa cy	37	02
Regina	-	-
Toronto r	46	08
Vancouver c	50	09
Winnipeg c	38	03

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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CAIRO, EGYPT (NOV. 6) UPI - Saudi Arabia's royal family sent mixed signals Tuesday about a possible military strike against Iraq following a meeting with Secretary of State James Baker.

Baker is touring the region reportedly to drum up support among Arab leaders for a military option to end the 3-month-old standoff.

He flew Tuesday from Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, to Cairo, where he met with President Hosni Mubarak, a strong supporter of U.S. policy in the Gulf who has nevertheless indicated he prefers sanctions to military strikes.

Baker canceled a scheduled news conference after his talks with Mubarak, fueling speculation that the Egyptian president was not happy with the command structure in Saudi Arabia, where some 20,000 Egyptian troops are on the front line.

But a spokeswoman for Baker dismissed the speculation and described the talks as excellent. She added that the two men ''did discuss the command structure'' of the multinational force in Saudi Arabia but gave no details.

She also told reporters at Cairo airport that Baker discussed with Mubarak how to strengthen sanctions against Iraq as well as political and military options

still open and available in the battle against Iraq.

Prince Saud al-Faisal, Saudi Arabia's foreign minister, told reporters in Jeddah as Baker's departed that a peaceful settlement was ''in the hands of the Iraqis.''

The royal family has indicated in past statements that it was not eager to have the kingdom used as a launching pad to oust Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

But Faisal had a more ambiguous message Tuesday.

''We reiterate, what we always said is that we are against the aggression that has happened in Kuwait,'' he said. ''We are one with the international community in standing against this aggression and with the United Nation's resolutions to see this aggression is ended.

''Within that reference, we would like a peaceful settlement, but that option is in the hands of the Iraqis.''

The prince also said U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia were under a joint command with kingdom officials, indicating the kingdom would not allow a strike from its territory without its permission.

The bulk of the 210,000 U.S. soldiers deployed to the Gulf following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait are in Saudi Arabia, and the Saudi role in the military venture has been a touchy subject in the past.

Faisal denied that during Monday's meeting with Baker, King Fahd was called to discuss a time-table for military action against Iraq.

''We were not here to discuss military options, we were here to discuss how we can jointly contribute to the implementation of the United Nation resolutions '' he said.

Baker spent less than a day in Cairo and held talks at Cairo international airport with Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, who is in the Egyptian capital on his own tour of the region.

Baker's spokeswoman gave few details of Baker's talks with the Chinese official, but said both men held ''excellent discussions.''

It was not immediately clear if China would support military action against Iraq, although the spokeswoman quoted Qichen, whose country is a permanent member of the U.N. Security Council, as saying that Beijing would obey all Security Council resolutions.

The spokeswoman said Baker and his Chinese counterpart discussed a wide range

of subjects including ''economic, political and military issues.''

The talks between the two were believed by some observers to be evidence of China's growing role in the Gulf crisis.

Baghdad recently announced it would release all foreigners held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait if five countries, including China, promised to renounce any military option in the Gulf.

Qian was asked in Beijing before his departure early Tuesday if he believed the Gulf crisis could strengthen ties between Beijing and Washington, but he sidestepped the question. The two countries have had chilly relations since China cracked down on a student-led pro-democracy movement in the summer of 1989.

Baker's trip to Saudi Arabia Monday was his second in as many days. On Sunday he flew from the island state of Bahrain to a site near the Iraqi-Saudi border to meet with U.S. troops from the 1st Cavalry Division.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 6) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev will fly to Bonn Friday to sign a new accord between the Soviet Union and recently unified Germany, the president's spokesman said Tuesday.

Press Secretary Vitaly Ignatenko said that Gorbachev would go to Germany after speaking Wednesday at the Revolution Day military parade on Red Square and holding talks with Secretary of State James Baker on Thursday.

Gorbachev's trip to Germany has long been planned, but Ignatenko's announcement was the first disclosure of its date.

''Mikhail Gorbachev's first visit to a united Germany in a few days signifies the beginning of a new era in Soviet-German relations,'' the official Tass news agency said.

Ignatenko said that Gorbachev will travel to Germany at the invitation of Chancellor Helmut Kohl, whose own visit to the Soviet Union in July removed the last obstacles to German reunification.

Gorbachev, who less than a year ago dismissed German unification as impractical and unacceptable, is expected while in Bonn to sign a treaty outlining the new relations between the Soviet Union and the single German nation formed last month.

After signing the agreement, Kohl will take Gorbachev to his birthplace in Oggersheim in southwestern Germany, Ignatenko said. The two leaders went to

Gorbachev's birthplace near the southern Russian city of Stavropol during Kohl's summer visit.

Gorbachev's acceptance of German membership in NATO cleared the way for the divided country to re-establish the unity it lost after World War II. Kohl has pledged to provide Moscow with massive economic aid in return for its blessing of unification.

''There is no doubt that the U.S.S.R. will overcome its present difficulties and, because of its huge consumer market and energy reserves and raw materials remain one of united Germany's most desirable trading partners,'' Tass said.

''The strengthening of partnership bewteen these two European countries is fully in keeping with the tendency toward overcoming the split in Europe and building the foundation of a common European home,'' it said.

Ignatenko said that Gorbachev would speak Wednesday at the Red Square parade celebrating the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution, a task reserved in recent years for senior military officials.

Gorbachev will meet with Baker on Thursday in talks expected to focus on the gulf crisis and possible military action to counter Iraq's annexation of Kuwait.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 79.00-81.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 123.00-129.25 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 40.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $210.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$109.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $421.00-$459.00; dealer- approx., $425.00-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $109.00-$111.83 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 295.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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OSHKOSH, WI (NOV. 6) UPI - A woman who claims to have as many as 22 personalities was expected to take the stand Tuesday in the trial of the man accused of sexually assaulting her.

In opening statements in Winnebago County Circuit Court Monday, District Attorney Joseph Paulus told the jury that old Mark Peterson, 29, of Oshkosh knew the woman was mentally ill when he had coffee with her and sexually attacked her in an Oshkosh park last June.

Paulus says the woman's neighbor told Peterson, ''She's vulnerable, don't take advantage of her.''

Peterson is accused of raping one of the woman's personalities - a lively 20-year old named Jennifer who likes music and dancing. The woman was expected to testify Tuesday.

Peterson told police he wanted to have sex with her because ''his wife wasn't giving him any sex,'' Paulus said. ''The reason he chose Jennifer was because she was innocent, she was old-fashioned and she turned him on.''

Defense attorney Edward Salzsieder compared Peterson to former President Richard Nixon, saying, ''We all felt President Nixon did not know about Watergate and didn't order it. Perhaps Mr. Peterson was immoral and stupid but that doesn't come in the scope of the criminal law.''

Inam Haque, the woman's psychiatrist, told the jury the victim suffers from a

mental disease and is not capable of judging her actions. Haque says the woman was traumatized when she saw her father crushed under a jack while he was working on his car.

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#90310u0933 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

CENTRAL SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 6) UPI - If the U.S. Air Force has long-haul truckers, pilots like Maj. Dieter Remus and his flight crew most nearly fit the bill.

Remus, in real life a 40-year-old air traffic controller from Grand Island, N.Y., ferries people and cargo back and forth across the Saudi Arabian desert in a C-130 Hercules transport plane as part of Operation Desert Shield.

''We haul trash,'' said Sgt. Richard Runell, the flight deck technical chief on Remus' airplane. ''That's what we do. We take things anywhere, any place. It's not all trash, of course, but that's what they call it.

Runell's job on the flight deck is to make sure the instruments keep running, but everything was in proper repair on this flight so he sipped coffee from a throwaway cup while Remus, the co-pilot and the navigator listened to ground control chatter and the flight engineer monitored instrument readings.

''When we get busy ... then it takes this many people to get things done upstairs here,'' said Runell, of New Baltimore, Mich.

Runell said he was proud of the plane, which can haul 42,000 pounds of cargo or up to 92 combat troops. Both he and the plane, which sports a painting of the state of Michigan on the tail, hail from the Detroit area while the flight crew is from near Niagara, N.Y.

''It's a workhorse,'' Runell said of the Hercules. ''It takes a lot of punishment and it gives us a lot of mileage.''

Although willing to follow the plane wherever it goes, Runell, who served in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War, said he wasn't excited about the prospect of combat and was hoping for a peaceful settlement of the gulf crisis.

''I'm not into this war thing,'' he said. ''Some of these young guys, they want to see action, but most of us don't.''

Airman 1st Class Reed Mohilewsky, a cargo loader in the rear of the plane, also was looking forward to returning home.

Mohilewsky, 19, of Belmont, N.Y., was halfway through his first semester at Buffalo State College when his unit was called up to go to Saudi Arabia.

''I went in and explained my situation to them and they were real sympathetic '' he said. The college agreed to apply 100 percent of the money he'd paid to his next semester's tuition.

He also left behind a girlfriend.

''She was upset at first, but she knew I was in the Air Force,'' said Mohilewsky, who was in Panama shortly after the 1989 U.S. invasion. ''You have to expect this sort of thing.''

''I was worried about coming over here, but I'd been in this kind of situation before,'' he added. ''I've seen a lot, especially for 19.''

The flight over the Saudi Arabian desert is mostly monotonous. The noise of the plane's engines is too loud for productive conversation so soldiers traveling in the cargo hold plug their ears and loose themselves in thought or sleep.

Down below the desert is barren and the wind whips the sand up into the atmosphere to form a thick haze. One soldier watched the terrain through a porthole and then shrugged. ''Well, time to get bored,'' he said, settling back into his seat.

But for Runell on the flight deck, the monotony is fine.

''For me,'' he said, ''the best flights are the boring ones.''

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#90310u0966 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 6) UPI - Police in Israel stepped up patrols today to prevent attacks on Arabs following the killing in New York of militant right-wing politician Rabbi Meir Kahane. The Jewish Defense League founder was shot to death at a Manhattan hotel. New York police identified the assailant as a 34- year-old New Jersey man who approached Kahane following a speech and pulled a revolver. Kahane's body is to be flown to Israel tonight following a funeral in Brooklyn this afternoon.

President Bush heads back to Washington today after casting his ballot in his adopted hometown of Houston this Election Day. Bush has said repeatedly that he could do a better job if he had more Republicans in Congress. But he appears certain to soon be confronted by more Democrats. They are hoping to pick up perhaps two seats in the Senate, while the G-O-P may hold even. In the House, both sides say Democrats are likely to pickup eight to 15 seats.

Reports from Tokyo indicate former Prime Minister Yasuhior Nakasone's appeal to Iraq has apparently worked and the Baghdad government will release 70 of the Japanese citizens it now uses as a human shield against the rest of the

world. This word follows three days of meetings between Nakasone and his delegation of Liberal Democratic politicians and high Iraqi officials. Japan reports that 139 Japanese are held as shields and another 174 are trapped elsewhere in Ifraq.

There are indications that NASA may bend one of its own rules, ever so slightly, and get the shuttle Columbia into space by the end of the month. That would be some two weeks after the November 16th launch now set for the shuttle Atlantis. NASA rules normally say there should be a three-week period between shuttle launches but Kennedy Space Center Director Forrest McCartney says the agency is looking at ways to trim that time requirement.

In the Philippines, the military said today that communist guerrillas have kidnapped an American Protestant missionary in the northern part of the country. Harvey Brown Duane of Seattle, Washington, was driving a jeep along a highway about 260 miles north of Manila on October 24th when he was stopped and taken hostage at a checkpoint set up by the guerrillas. There's been NO ransom demand and NO explanation for the abduction nearly two weeks after it happened.

There's plenty of evidence that winter is doing its own brand of voting on this election day. Residents of Lander, Wyoming, count seven more inches of snow on the ground, pushing their total to 11 inches. Snow is also reported in Iowa and Nebraska. And all of this is moving east toward the East Coast where a winter weather advisory is in effect for northern Maine.

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#90310u0974 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (NOV. 6) UPI - A parade of wreckers has hauled away more than 20 United Parcel Service trucks and vans to satisfy a former employee's multimillion-dollar judgment against the giant shipping company.

And lawyers for Gerry D. Dickens said the seizures of equipment have only begun. "They have refused to pay the judgment, so we are now in the process ... of trying to seize trucks, airplanes and other items until we collect $6.4 million worth of their assets," attorney Michael Pohl said Monday. Dickens won the judgment from United Parcel Service Inc. after suing for discrimination in 1986.

Harris County, Texas, Precinct 1 constables also seized two airplanes, but they were released after it was discovered the aircraft were owned by a separate corporation, United Parcel Service Co. Inc.

A spokesman for the Greenwich., Conn.-based package delivery company, Bob Kenney, said UPS tried to post a bond Friday pending an appeal, but the district court failed to act on it. "We're continuing to operate without the vehicles, but we would like to have them back, naturally," Kenney said.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Del Labs	Q	.10	1-4	11-9
General Motors	Q	.75	12-10	11-15
Great Commuinic	A	.02	12-6	11-21
Homeowners Group	..	.10	1-15	12-10
Jefferson-Pilot	Q	.38	12-7	11-16
Jefferson-Pilot	Q	.38	3-1	2-8
Natl Insurance Grp	Q	.05	11-21	11-7
Piccadilly Cafe	Q	.12	1-2	12-7
Pittston Co	Q	.05	12-1	11-15
Protective Life	Q	.19	12-1	11-16
Stride Rite	Q	.10	12-14	11-28
Wellington Leisure	Q	.05	1-3	12-20

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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#90310u1022 11/06/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - The nation's 12 largest airlines improved their on-time service during September and received their fewest number of complaints about mishandled baggage, the Department of Transportation said Tuesday.

But, the department said, the overall number of complaints from passengers rose slightly in September to 769 from 734 the month before. Still, the figure represents a 30 percent improvement from the 1,109 complaints lodged in the year-earlier period.

The department said the airlines reported 84.3 percent of their flights arrived on time during the month, an improvement from 78.5 percent in August. These statistics, however, do not include flights delayed by mechanical problems.

Reports of mishandled baggage averaged 5.63 for every 1,000 passengers, down from 6.71 per 1,000 in August.

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#90310u1038 11/06/1990 ~United Press International
HOUSTON (NOV. 6) UPI - Continental Airlines has pulled the Honolulu-Tokyo leg of its Houston-Tokyo flight off the auction block, just days after announcing

the route was among the assets that might be sold.

Hollis Harris, Continental's new chairman and chief executive officer, had told business leaders Thursday that Continental was considering selling its Pacific-region assets including its joint venture with Air Micronesia that serves islands in the South Pacific.

The Honolulu-Tokyo segment of the flight originating in Houston would be part of that package, he had said.

But on Monday, Continental spokesman Art Kent said the airline's executives have re-examined the package and decided with Air Micronesia executives to take that route out of any potential deal.

Continental and other U.S. airlines have been struggling with unbudgeted costs stemming from spiraling fuel prices since the Persian Gulf crisis began in August.

Continental, faced with monthly fuel bills that have soared $70 million since July, had considered filing for bankruptcy protection but instead opted to sell off assets and undertake whatever measures necessary to remain in business.

Harris said Friday Continental is reviewing a number of assets for possible sale, including its Chelsea Catering subsidiary and some European routes. The company also is considering selling and leasing back aircraft on order.

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#90310u1039 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - The Allied Printing Trades Council met Tuesday to plan a media campaign to convince readers and advertisers to boycott the Daily News while federal mediators reopened contract talks at the struck tabloid.

The council announced Monday it had received a pledge of $2 million from members of the New York City Central Labor Council, representing 500 unions and union locals.

Council President George McDonald said most of the money would be used for a radio and television campaign against the tabloid.

The News published as usual on the 12th day of the strike but the Tuesday editions contained fewer advertisement than on any day since the strike began.

The News itself took a full-page ad offering a $5,000 reward to anyone providing information leading to the arrest and conviction of any persons for vandalism, property damage or theft of Daily News property or theats to Daily news personnel or vendors of the paper.

The paper was scarce in midtown Manhattan and was being given away by the News at several busy locations in the city.

''We are giving them out as samples for people who might want to read them,'' said Lisa Robinson, a News spokeswoman.

As the strike of nine unions at the News went into its 11th day, Federal Mediator Ken Kowalski scheduled meetings this week with negotiators for the News and striking pressmen, electricians, machinists, and editorial workers. He had held meetings with the drivers' union last week.

''The drivers and management will meet again next week and then the paper handlers,'' Kowalski said. ''Negotiations will continue with all the different groups. We're keeping the lines open.''

Asked if he expected a settlement to come out of these negotiations, Kowalski replied, ''I don't want to comment on that.''

Labor negotiations at the financially strapped tabloid, the nation's largest, had been going on for 10 months before the unions struck Oct. 25. Management claims the main issues on the table are featherbedding, overstaffing and other labor abuses that is costing the paper $70 million a year.

McDonald said the $2 million ''war chest'' was tangible evidence of the commitment of the whole labor movement in the city and the state to the cause of the unions at the News.

''They know the News has not treated its workers fairly,'' McDonald said.

He identified the contributors as the unions for transport workers, Local 1199 of the Hospital and Health Care Workers, Teamsters, United Federation of Teachers, Communications Workers of America, United Auto Workers, and Bartenders, Waiters and Waitresses unions.

McDonald said members of the unions will have $1 deducted from their weekly paycheck to help fund the strike.

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#90310u1040 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1. Notre Dame (38) (7-1) 828 3
2. Washington (18) (8-1) 805 5

3.	Colorado (2) (8-1-1)	697	7
4.	Miami (6-2)	621	8
5.	Iowa (7-1)	551	13
6.	Brigham Young (7-1)	497	9
7.	Georgia Tech (7-0-1)	491	14
8.	Tennessee (5-1-2)	419	10
9 .	Virginia (7-1)	407	1
10.	Nebraska (8-1)	398	2
11.	Florida State (6-2)	328	11
12.	Texas (6-1)	297	12
13.	Auburn (6-1-1)	177	4
14.	Mississippi (8-1)	176	15
15.	Illinois (6-2)	122	6
16.	Clemson (8-2)	50	17
17.	Michigan (5-3)	35	18
18.	Oregon (7-2)	20	20
19.	Penn State (6-2)	19	21
20.	Louisville (8-1-1)	10	22
21.	Wyoming (9-1)	5	16
22.	Texas A&M (6-2-1)	3	24
23.	Fresno State (7-1-1)	2	NR
24.	(tie) Ohio State (6-2-1)	1	NR
24.	(tie) Arizona (6-3)	1	19

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: None.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances or postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches.

Those schools are Florida, Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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#90310u1047 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 6) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Air Wis Svcs (3rd Q 9-30)	

$54,234,000 $43,128,000
d-$302,000 d-$427,000
d-Deficit.

A L Labs (3rd Q 9-30)
$70,125,000 $65,132,000
$3,651,000 (.33) $2,798,000 (.25)

Aon Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$653,164,000 $592,301,000
$61,464,000 (.93) $57,793,000 (.88)

Berlitz Intl (3rd Q 9-30)
$64,100,000 $53,200,000
$5,700,000 (.14) $3,000,000 (.16)

Browning-Ferris (4th Q 9-30)
$793,935,000 a-$697,572,000
$32,711,000 (.21) $72,952,000 (.48)
a-The 1989 figures have been restated to reflect the decision to discontinue the hazardous waste collection, treatment, and disposal business announced on April 5, 1990.

Century Telephone (3rd Q 9-30)
$62,845,000 $55,689,000
$7,468,000 (.24) $5,749,000 (.18)

Emerson Elec (4th Q 9-30)
$2,038,800,000 $1,762,600,000
$154,600,000 (.69) $149,600,000 (.67)

First Brands (1st Q 9-30)
$326,696,000 $314,697,000
$17,848,000 (.82) $20,264,000 (1.01)

Fluke John Mfg (4th Q 9-30)
$55,296,000 $62,749,000
$1,760,000 (.25) $3,798,000 (.53)

Freemont General (3rd Q 9-30)
$152,879,000 $127,996,000
$6,664,000 (.81) $8,890,000 (1.09)

Gulf Resources (3rd Q 9-30)
$23,662,000 $19,488,000
d-$1,818,000 d-$25,245,000

Masco Corp (3rd Q 9-30)

$807,000,000	$793,000,000
$42,300,000 (.28)	$62,400,000 (.40)

United Healthcare (3rd Q 9-30)

$156,831,000	$105,307,000
$9,152,000 (.31)	$3,660,000 (.17)

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#90310u1062 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - The Supreme Court Tuesday issued its first full opinion of the 1990-91 term, limiting the options available for recovering damages under general maritime law.

In a case that grew out of the 1984 stabbing death of a crew member aboard a ship docked in Vancouver, Wash., the court ruled that while family members of a dead sailor can sue for wrongful death, under general maritime law the grounds for such a suit are restricted.

The court said damages cannot be awarded to a parent for loss of society - the loss of a son or daughter' love and affection - in a general maritime wrongful death action, and that the same body of law does not permit the family of a dead sailor to receive his future earnings.

The court, in an 8-0 opinion, affirmed the judgment of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. The ninth justice, David Souter, was not a member of the court Oct. 3 when the case was argued and so took no part in the vote.

The case involved the July 18, 1984, death of Ludwick Torregano, stabbed 62 times by fellow crew member Clifford Melrose aboard the ship Archon.

The high court's decision clears up a discrepancy in lower courts over whether general maritime law permitted a survival action for the future wage loss of a dead sailor.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals had agreed that Apex Marine Corp., operator of the ship, was negligent and awarded Miles, Torregano's mother, $7,800 for loss of support and services and Torregano's estate $140,000 for his pain and suffering. Those awards were not affected by Tuesday's ruling. Torregano's parents were seeking additional compensation.

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, writing for the court, said the decision is in keeping with the changing nature of maritime law.

''We no longer live in an era when seamen and their loved ones must look primarily to the courts as a source of substantive legal protection from injury and death,'' she wrote. ''Congress and the states have legislated extensively in these areas.''

''Maritime tort law is now dominated by federal statute, and we are not free to expand remedies at will simply because it might work to the benefit of seamen and those dependent upon them,'' O'Connor wrote. ''Congress has placed limits on recovery in survival actions that we cannot exceed.''

Mercedel W. Miles, et al., vs. Apex Marine Corp., et al

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#90310u1092 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 6) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Tuesday:

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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LONDON (NOV. 6) UPI - Stock prices closed higher Tuesday in thin trading on the London International Stock Exchange as expectations of a cut in interest rates and lower oil prices boosted enthusiasm.

The Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 19.4 points Monday, gained 19.7 points to 2,069.8. The narrower top 30 industrial average added 17.8 points to 1,598.9.

Volume amounted to around 386 million shares compared with 306 million shares changing hands on Monday.

Analysts noting the overall lack of buying interest said many professional investors remained sidelined ahead of Thursday's semiannual economic address by Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major on the state of Britain's economy.

The statement will center on the government's spending program for the coming fiscal year, and traditionally contains forecasts on such economic indicators as gross domestic product, inflation and the current account.

Market watchers said a forecast by oil industry analysts projecting lower oil prices for 1991 helped to boost trading morale.

Also, pressure continued to grow on British monetary authorities to implement

a cut in interest rates before Christmas to spur the economy into action and stave off a recession, analysts said.

Pearson fell 22 cents to $11.60 after Credit Lyonnais downgraded the communications and trading conglomerate.

Rechem gained 30 cents to $5.56 after the hazardous waste disposal company reported satisfactory pre-tax profits for the year.

J. Sainsbury, the retail group, added 4 cents to $5.89 amid speculation that its interim earnings report, due out later in the week, is expected to show sound sales.

Elsewhere, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed lower in what market analysts described as technical trading.

The German Stock Index fell 16.71 points to 1,398.24.

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#90310u1116 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (NOV. 6) UPI - The United Auto Workers' Chrysler National Bargaining Council approved the tentative three-year agreement it reached with the No. 3 domestic automaker last week.

Only three votes were cast against the pact at Monday's meeting of members of the council, which is comprised of local leaders at Chrysler Corp. plants.

Now that the council has approved the agreement, the union expects voting by Chrysler's 67,000 hourly workers to be completed within two weeks.

''This is the best contract we've ever negotiated,'' said Maurice Mitchell, a committeeman at UAW Local 1264 at the suburban Sterling stamping plant.

''If anybody doesn't support this, we're going to take him to the EAP (Employee Assistance Programs) rep and get him a saliva test,'' Mitchell told the Detroit Free Press in Tuesday's editions.

The centerpiece of the agreement is a $705 million commitment by Chrysler to maintain workers' income, even if sales slump and plants close.

The pact also increases wages and pensions, maintains existing health coverage provides stiffer penalties on excessive overtime, provides three annual Christmas bonuses of $600 each, and expands the union's input into Chrysler's decisions on where it will manufacture products.

The agreement allows Chrysler to boost production at its St. Louis minivan plant by 50,000 units annually beginning in July. Under current plans, three

shifts of workers will be assigned to a 35-hour work week but will receive 40 hours' pay. In two out of every three weeks, each crew could also be required to work a nine-hour shift on Saturday.

UAW President Owen Bieber referred to the 35-hour work week as ''a plum we were very happy to pluck off the tree,'' and said the union may pursue this goal in other negotiations.

Minivan workers voted against scheduling changes last November, in part because it would have reduced their overtime income. But in the new plans, overtime will be paid, for example, on the ninth and 10th hours of a scheduled 10-hour workday.

With the changes, minivan workers are likely to accept their new schedules, Bob Clipper, a committeeman at UAW Local 110 at the plant, told the newspaper.

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OMAHA (NOV. 6) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 1,400; trading on slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, prices both classes weak to 50 lower than Monday; buyers very selective on grade, bearing down on those lots with larger percentage of select grade; slaughter cows weak to 1.00 lower; slaughter bulls steady; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-4 1100-1350 lb 78.00-79.50, mostly 78.50-79.00, 2 loads and package 79.75-80.00, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 77.00-78.00, select 74.50-77.00; holsteins choice No 2-3 1200-1400 lb 70.00- 71.00, select and choice No 2-3 1100-1400 lb 69.00-70.00; heifers choice No 2-4 950-1200 lb 78.00-79.50, mostly 78.50-79.00, load 80.00, select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 76.50- 78.00, select 74.00-76.50; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 breaking few 45.00- 47.00, boning few 46.00-47.50, low to average cutter 41.00-46.00, few shells 35.00-38.00.

Hogs 1,900; butchers 50 lower, extremes 1.00 off, No 1-3 220-260 lb 51.50-52.00, No 2-3 260-280 lb 50.50-51.50, not much above 51.00; sows one-third of run, under 500 lb 50 lower, over 500 lb 2.00 lower, No 1-3 350-500 lb 46.50, few 46.75, No 2-3 500 650 lb 49.50-50.00, some carry over.

Sheep 150; slaughter lambs and ewes steady, shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 120- 130 lb No 1-2 pelts 48.00-50.00, other weights variously discounted; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb 47.00- 48.00, other weights discounted; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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#90310u1120 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (NOV. 6) UPI - Two elderly West Bank Arabs were shot and killed Tuesday in an apparent revenge attack by an Israeli settler following the assassination in New York of ultra right-wing Rabbi Meir Kahane.

Police stepped up patrols in Israel and put members of Kahane's Kach movement under surveillance to prevent further violence.

While expressing disagreement with Kahane's extreme anti-Arab views, Israeli leaders across the political spectrum denounced the Monday night killing in New York and called on Israelis to show restraint.

Members of the extremist Kach movement, founded by the American-born Kahane who advocated the expulsion of Arabs from Israel and the occupied territories, angrily warned of revenge attacks.

''There is no doubt there will be acts of vengeance. It seems to me there have been a few. ... I have no doubt the Arabs will deserve it because it is after all Arab arrogance,'' said Tiran Pollak, Kach director.

New York police said a suspect, El Sayyid Nosair, 34, of New Jersey, was arrested after Kahane, a former member of the Israeli Parliament, was shot during a speaking engagement. Nosair's nationality was not immediately known.

Several hours after the assassination, two Arab residents of the remote West Bank village of Lubban ash Sharqiyah were killed by a gunman driving a car with Israeli license plates, Palestinian sources said.

Villagers said an Israeli settler known to residents drove up to the village shortly before 6 a.m. and opened fire, killing Mohammed Hatib, 65, who was riding a donkey to his fields, the sources said. The gunman drove a bit further and fired again, hitting Mariam Hassan, 60, before he fled, they said.

"I saw him. He killed an old man," a villager identified as 22-year-old Jamal told Army Radio. ''The car came slowly. He killed the woman, our neighbor.''

The army put the area under curfew to search for suspects and declared the nearby city of Nablus a closed military zone. Police were investigating the killings, but authorities said the motive had not been established or no suspects detained.

Villagers said they believed the attack was carried out to avenge the death of Kahane.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's spokesman Avi Pazner said even those people who did not agree with Kahane's extremist views were shocked by his death.

''This is not something that will help peace and coexistence between Israel and the Arabs,'' Pazner said. ''We have to do our utmost now to show restraint

and responsibility so that there is no further outbreak of violence.''

Police warned Palestinian leaders and Arab members of the Knesset to be cautious and put well-known Kach activists under surveillance, Army Radio reported. Jerusalem, frequently the site of anti-Arab violence, was quiet Tuesday.

Kahane's funeral was to be held Wednesday in Jerusalem under tight security. Army Radio reported that Kach sources said disturbances might erupt after the funeral.

The Foreign Ministry described the killing as ''a deplorable act of murder'' and said the assassination of an Israeli politician ''is unprecedented on U.S. soil or anywhere else.''

Following its tradition of mourning deceased members, the Israeli Parliament, the Knesset, observed a minute of silence in remembrance of Kahane. Several left-wing and Labor members did not attend.

In a statement, Kach activists blamed much of the Israeli establishment for the 58-year-old rabbi's death.

''The murder that was carried out (Monday) is in fact a death sentence passed against Rabbi Kahane by the Knesset, the High Court and the media. His blood is on them,'' it said.

After four years in the Knesset, Kahane was barred from politics in 1988 by a special law outlawing racist parties. The High Court later upheld the ban. The Israeli media limited its coverage of Kahane because of his extreme views.

Since the 1988 general elections, Kach lost some of its support to another ultra right-wing party, Moledet, which won two seats in the Parliament on a platform of expelling Arabs.

Radwan Abu Ayyash, head of the Arab Journalists Association, said Kahane had been consumed by the fire that he had started, Israel Radio reported.

The spokesman for the Arab Local Councils in Israel, Mohammed Zeidan, condemned the killing.

''The Israeli Arabs regret the shedding of each drop of Jewish and Arab blood, but peace will not prevail in the area unless a Palestinian state is established alongside Israel,'' Zeidan said.

In April, the extremist leader went on trial on charges of sedition for calling Arabs ''a cancer spreading in our midst'' at a rally protesting an attack on Israelis. The trial was continued and no date for resumption set, a Justice Ministry spokeswoman said.

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#90310u1128 11/06/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - New York City won a crucial battle Tuesday in its bid to remain the nation's financial capital, as the chairmen of four key commodities exchanges recommended the markets stay in Manhattan.

The chairmen of the Coffee, Sugar & Cocoa Exchange, the Commodity Exchange Inc., the New York Cotton Exchange and the New York Mercantile Exchange said they would recommend moving to a new office tower to be built two blocks north of the World Trade Center, not far from the heart of Manhattan's financial district, over a competing site across the Hudson River in New Jersey.

''We have voted to unanimously recommend to our industry the site at Greenwich and Murray streets, adjacent to the World Trade Center and the World Financial Center in lower Manhattan, as the new home for the commodities exchanges,'' the chairmen said.

The exchanges had long been considering moving out of their cramped World Trade Center offices and trading floor, which can longer match the markets' rapid growth.

''The four exchanges handled 74 million contracts last year, and we expect the constantly growing volume to reach 200 million contracts by the year 2000,'' said spokesman John Burke. ''The new building will have 43 stories, and the exchanges should be able to move in by 1994.''

The exchanges' relocation would affect 12,000 jobs currently based in New York City.

The other site under consideration was Jersey City's Harborside Financial Center.

''We met with the exchanges several weeks ago. It was not a situation where we were going to create a bidding war for either state,'' said Emma Byrne, spokeswoman for New Jersey Gov. James Florio. ''The governor and I understand we had an opportunity to talk about why New Jersey is attractive for business.''

Byrne added that Florio's office has not been formally notified of the decision.

The recommendation, made after what the chairmen described as ''lengthy analysis, review and discussion,'' was based on ''the needs and desires of our membership'' as well as time and money factors, they said.

New York City has been actively lobbying to keep the four exchanges -

including the Mercantile Exchange, the world's largest energy market - on Wall Street, where the depressed securities industry and the demise of Drexel Burnham Lambert and smaller firms have resulted in thousands of jobs being lost.

''The cooperation of the public sector was a critical factor,'' the chairmen said. ''Tax benefits and other forms of public support made available to us by New York City and New York state constitute a major commitment to a public-private partnership that will benefit the city and the region economically.''

Burke said the new 43-story, 1.2 million-square-foot building, which will be developed by Tishman Speyer Properties Inc., will include a 55, 000-square-foot trading floor - more than twice the size of the current floor at the four exchanges. The developer and the exchanges will each own 50 percent of the property.

The total area, including the trading floor and the related offices, will cover 225,000 square feet and be built at an estimated cost of $225 million, part of which will come from the public sector, Burke said.

''The trading floor's computer architecture will be designed by Space Management Programs, the leading company in the field, which already designed the computing systems for the Chicago Board of Trade,'' he said.

The boards of the four exchanges are to vote on the recommendation Nov. 29, and member firms are to vote on ratifying the decision sometime in December.

''If the boards and the members of the exchanges concur, our industry will have a new and dramatically improved facility within the exchanges' present financial capabilities,'' they said. ''Should the chairmen's recommendation not be approved, the exchanges will remain at the World Trade Center.''

Directors and members are expected to almost certainly support the move because the exchanges cannot further expand in their present location.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday.

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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#90310u1166 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (NOV. 6) UPI - A dissident leader from Prime Minister V.P. Singh's Janata Dal party received the backing of former prime minister Rajiv Gandhi Tuesday in his bid to form a new government.

Gandhi's Congress (I) Party at a late night meeting decided it would support the dissident leader Chandra Shekhar in his efforts to form a government, said V.N. Gadgil, a spokesman of the party.

''We have agreed to work together,'' Gandhi told reporters earlier at the conclusion of a meeting with Shekhar.

Shekhar, soon after his successful meeting with Gandhi, met with President R. Venkataraman and staked his claim to form the new government.

The Indian president said he would consider the request only after the lower house of Parliament on Wednesday decides the fate Singh's government.

Singh was to test his majority in the house. Many political analysts expect the embattled prime minister to fail in the attempt and step down from office.

Shekhar and former Deputy Prime Minister Devi Lal, both senior leaders in the Janata Dal, openly split with Singh on Monday, claiming they have enough supporters in the party to form a fresh government with the backing of the Congress (I) Party.

Party officials have said they would support a Janata Dal government headed by someone other than Singh.

The Janata Dal factions are more or less equally divided, but some political observers believe Shekhar might soon attract more followers.

To strengthen his support, Shekhar called on all of the smaller political parties represented in the lower house of Parliament to back him in his efforts to form a government.

''The numbers game is far from finished,'' said an editorial in Tuesday's Times of India newspaper. ''From all accounts the ranks of the Chandra Shekhar-led faction could swell over the next day or two. The movement away from the Janata Dal could accelerate further once the prime minister loses the vote of confidence in Parliament on November 7.''

The editorial said that Singh's expected defeat on Wedensday and the exit of his five-party National Front coalition government are a ''foregone conclusion.''

If the government falls, President R. Venkataraman, rather than call for early elections, may ask Gandhi to form a government, since the Congress (I) has the largest number of members in Parliament, the Times said. Gandhi has indicated he is not interested in taking the job at this time, although the option has not been entirely ruled out.

The crisis facing Singh's 11-month-old administration was sparked Oct. 23 when the right-wing Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) withdrew its crucial support from his coalition government.

The BJP made the decision hours after its president, L.K. Advani, was arrested for failing to heed a government warning to halt a controversial campaign to relocate a 460-year-old Moslem mosque and begin construction of a temple to honor an important Hindu god.

Support of the BJP was necessary for the survival of the coalition government, although the party is not a member of the coalition.

Despite Advani's arrest, Hindu radicals pressed ahead with their plan to begin construction of the temple in the northern Uttar Pradesh state town of Ayodhya about 345 miles southeast of New Delhi.

Violence between police and Hindu devotees resulted in Ayodhya and in other parts of India, leaving more than 170 people dead.

Hindu radicals claim that the mosque that occupies the Ayodhya site was built by the Moghul emperor Babbar after he destroyed a temple marking the birthplace of Lord Rama, one of the most important gods in the vast Hindu pantheon.

Moslem leaders refute the claim and contend that no temple ever existed at the disputed place.

The Ayodhya dispute has been smoldering since February 1986, when a court agreed to allow Hindus to worship in the mosque. The move led to widespread communal riots in northern India.

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#90310u1184 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	376.75	up 1.00
Morning fixing	381.40	up 4.65
Afternoon fixing	379.25	up 2.50

Close	380.00	up 3.25
Paris	382.02	up 3.59
Zurich	379.50	up 2.50
Hong Kong	381.25	up 4.60
New York		
Comex spot gold midday	380.50	up 1.00
Handy and Harman	379.25	up 2.35

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 380.54 up 2.35 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 399.57 up 2.47 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot midday silver 4.22 off 0.007

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.23 per fine ounce up 0.02

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.23 up 0.02 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.526 up 0.021

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 427.00 up 10.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 527.00 up 10.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 95.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 110.00 up 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90310u1203 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI Before the vote counting even began Tuesday, the White House was braced for defeat and hoped to make the best of it.

''I expect we will claim victory no matter what happens,'' cracked press secretary Marlin Fitzwater.

Chief of staff John Sununu insisted that the races for more than 500 congressional and gubernatorial races, most of which were virtually conceded to Democrats, did not constitute a referendum on the Bush presidency.

But the outcome was certain to go a long way toward setting the political landscape for 1992, when Bush will be up for re-election.

Asked if Bush, his polls falling, had helped or hurt Republican candidates, Sununu chuckled and said, ''Yes ... helped.''

The chief of staff then pack pedaled away from reporters aboard Air Force One, and declined to respond further. Bush has been accused of undermining the GOP by breaking his ''no new taxes'' 1988 campaign pledge.

He privately signed the new tax-raising, revenue-cutting budget late Monday - in the dark of night.

The president and first lady cast their ballots in their adopted hometown of Houston Tuesday, and then returned to Washington to await the results.

As Bush waited in line at the voting station, he waved off a shouted question from a reporter on whether he would offer an Election Day prediction.

''Good way to go to jail,'' Bush said, presumably referring to the ban on politicking at voting stations.

Mrs. Bush, turning to reporters, said to the president, ''They're trying to get you arrested.''

A year ago, with Bush's approval rating nearly 80 percent and the economy seemingly strong, the administration boldly viewed Tuesday's election as a chance to gain seats in the Democrat-controlled Congress.

But with Bush's polls down to about 50 percent and the economy nearing a recession, Election Day shaped up as a big day for Democrats.

And Sununu was defensive.

''He (Bush) is not on the ballot so the coattail question is not appropriate '' he said. ''What there is, is the motivation factor.''

Bush spent the final week of the campaign trying to make a difference. He went on a cross-country political tour for fellow Republicans from Massachusetts to California.

''You can't make a winning campaign out of a campaign that couldn't win anyway '' said Sununu, adding that state races are decided on local issues, not by presidential politics. ''But what you can do is help in these marginal races by energizing the campaign to get out the vote.''

On Monday, while addressing a GOP rally in Tyler, Texas, Bush sounded off about Democrats and expressed his future hopes.

''I've listened to some of the campaign rhetoric coming out of the other side and it's sad.''

''It is pessimistic. It is downbeat. It is tired. And it's liberal,'' the

president said.

''We are the party with a vision for the future, the party with new ideas. And if America wants to change, I think we need a Republican Congress. And I wish we could get it now - tomorrow - and then watch what we can do.''

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#90310u1230 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 6) UPI - Secretary of State Baker is headed to Egypt as the next stop in a Mideast tour as he discusses possible use of the military option to end the three-month-old stalemate against Iraq. Baker was in Saudi Arabia yesterday where members of that country's royal family gave mixed signals about chances for a military operation. The royal family has, in the past, indicated it doesN'T want Saudi Arabia used as a launching pad to get Iraq out of Kuwait.

Questions are being raised about whether oil dependent Japan has made its own secret deal with oil-rich Iraq to win release of some of the Japanese citizens used as human shields by the Baghdad government. This follows word that Iraq will free 70 of its Japanese hostages following an appeal by former Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone. He met with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein on Sunday. Japan's Kyodo News Service reports the 70 are to be freed tomorrow.

New York City police are holding a 34-year-old man of Middle East background in last night's assassination of militant Israeli Rabbi Meir Kahane in a midtown Manhattan hotel. Little is known of the suspect other than he lives in Jersey City, New Jersey. Kahane, founder of the Jewish Defense League, was gunned down after delivering a speech. The suspect was shot and wounded by a Postal Officer.

A telephone caller to United Press International in New York City later said the Kahane slaying was in revenge for the death of 24 Arabs in the Temple Mount incident in October.

President Bush has ended a six-day campaign tour ahead of today's elections and is now headed back to Washington aboard Air Force One. That leaves all of the choices to voters as they head to the polls. White House chief of staff John Sununu talked with reporters about the day's events and says the election should NOT be viewed as a referendum on the Bush presidency. Democrats are NOT certain that is the case and they will be waiting to count the ballots once the polls close.

Anyone who bought an airline ticket since 1987 may be included in a class action lawsuit against major airlines if a federal judge decides that the class action label is the correct one to use. The case involves charges that the major airlines fixed prices through use of a computerized fare system, charges the airlines deny. The Atlanta attorney who filed the first suit back

in July, W. Pitts Carr, says 150- Million airline tickets were sold in 1988 alone.

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#90310u1238 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

OVERLAND PARK, KS (NOV. 6) UPI - Yellow Freight System Inc. said Tuesday it would cut its fuel surcharge to 2.6 percent from 2.9 percent, effective Nov. 12, because of a recent drop in fuel costs.

The cut in the surcharge would equal 10 percent, the company said.

''The company's action to reduce its surcharge comes in response to a slight, but steady decline in fuel costs over the past two weeks,'' said Yellow Freight President and Chief Executive Officer George E. Powell III.

Yellow Freight's surcharge is based on the increased cost of fuel since July.

Powell said Yellow Freight would continue to monitor fuel costs and would make further adjustments depending upon the price of fuel.

Yellow Freight, a trucking company, serves all 50 states, Puerto Rico and six Canadian provinces.

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DUMFRIES, SCOTLAND (NOV. 6) UPI - A state-of-the-art security system that Pan Am launched in a blaze of publicity in 1986 was still not fully in place more than two years later when a bomb was smuggled aboard Flight 103, killing 270 people, a security expert said Tuesday.

Security chief Jim Berwick told an accident inquiry that sophisticated X-ray machines for detecting plastic explosives had not been installed at Heathrow or Frankfurt airports when the Boeing 747 exploded over the Scottish town of Lockerbie on Dec. 21, 1988.

The new security program named ''Alert'' was launched in June 1986 and hailed in publicity material as ''one of the most far-reaching in our industry.''

A ''message to air travelers'' claimed passengers, employees, airport staff and baggage would be screened ''with unrelenting thoroughness.''

It also stated that it would be operated by highly trained security experts and would use some of the most sophisticated screening devices in the world.

Berwick said these were ''fairly bold claims,'' and that the system had not been completely installed in the two airports through which the bomb may have

been smuggled.

''I know they were trying to order (the X-ray equipment) for Frankfurt in particular,'' he said. ''But there were difficulties not only on the part of the manufacturers but in getting the U.S. manufactured equipment into place.''

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#90310u1261 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - A drug used commonly to reduce the risk of recurrences in about half of breast cancer patients may also help the other half, as well as people with other types of cancer, researchers reported Tuesday.

A new study found the drug, tamoxifen, apparently reduces levels of a protein that promotes the growth of cancer cells, indicating the drug may work by a previously unrecognized pathway and therefore be more useful than had beenthought.

The findings support preliminary indications the widely used drug may benefit more women than routinely receive it, and indicate studies should be done to investigate such value.

About 150,000 American women develop breast cancer each year and about 44,300 die from the disease, making it the second leading cause of cancer death.

About half of the women have a form of the cancer called estrogen- receptor positive, meaning the cancer cells are stimulated to grow by the hormone estrogen.

After undergoing surgery and chemotherapy, such estrogen-receptor positive women usually receive tamoxifen to reduce the risk of suffering a recurrence, which tend to be deadly. Tamoxifen blocks estrogen's action.

The remaining half of women usually do not receive tamoxifen because it was believed to offer little benefit because their cancer cells are not stimulated by estogen.

Some studies, however, had suggested such women might benefit from the drug, raising questions about exactly how tamoxifen works.

In the new study, published in the Journal of the National Cancer Institute, researchers measured the amount of a substance called insulin-like growth factor-1, or IGF-1, in the blood of 69 breast cancer patients who either received tamoxifen or a phony substitute.

Dr. Michael Pollak and his colleagues found the women who received tamoxifen had a significant reduction in blood levels of IGF-1, which can stimulate the

growth of all cancer cells.

''Everybody used to think it (tamoxifen) works by blocking estrogen receptors on the tumor cells. And indeed it may. But we have found that it's also doing something else. It's lowering the level of this growth factor,'' Pollak said.

Pollak said he believed the drug worked by blocking estrogen's action on the pituitary gland, which produces a substances called growth hormone, which in turn causes the liver to produce IGF-1.

''The question we're left with is: 'To what extent are all the benefits due to this newly discovered property of the drug?''' said Pollak, an assistant professor of oncology and medicine at McGill University in Montreal.

In an editorial accompanying the study, V. Craig Jordan of the University of Wisconsin Clinical Cancer Center in Madison said the findings ''open up exciting future possibilities'' for tamoxifen.

The newly discovered effect of tamoxifen ''provides sufficient evidence to require an evaluation of the need for tamoxifen maintenance in all women with a diagnosis of breast cancer,'' he said.

But in addition, researchers should study whether the drug and similar agents may help other types of cancer patients since IGF-1 can promote the growth of a variety of tumors, he said.

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#90310u1287 11/06/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (NOV. 6) UPI - Double agent George Blake, who escaped from a London jail to his KGB handlers in the Soviet Union in 1966, said Tuesday: ''I would take the same path again.''

''I remain true to my ideals,'' Blake told the Communist Party newspaper Pravda at a time when the Soviet nation is abandoning those Communist precepts.

It was the first time that Blake, now 65, told Soviet readers of his transition from British intelligence officer to KGB agent, although he appeared on television two years ago, ending more than two decades of silence.

The master spy who chose Communism was trotted out on Pravda's pages on the eve of the Revolution Day holiday, which Russian democrats want converted into a day of mourning.

''If I had to live my life over again, I would chose the same path,'' Blake said. ''I desperately needed espionage work in my life. Time itself summoned me to serve socialist ideals.''

A photograph of Blake appeared on Pravda's front page, showing a balding, bearded man in a light-colored blazer and shirt open at the neck and looking self-assured and content with a broad smile. A smaller photo on an inside page shows him as a young sailor in the British Royal Navy.

The son of a Dutch mother and Anglo-Egyptian father, Blake won his spurs as a Dutch resistance fighter in World War II, served in the British navy and became a British diplomat after obtaining British citizenship in 1948.

Blake said he decided to become a Soviet spy while interned for 17 months as a British diplomat in a prison camp during the Korean War.

Concealing his conversion, Blake went back to working for British intelligence and in 1953 was sent to Berlin, where he exposed the entire British spy network, sending some 40 agents to death or captivity.

Blake told Pravda that his greatest exploit was tipping the Soviets to the existence of the Berlin tunnel in the 1950s, revealing the greatest espionage coup of the CIA.

Blake's cloak-and-dagger career came to a halt in 1961 when he was convicted as a Soviet spy in a 15-minute trial in London's Old Bailey court and sentenced to 42 years in prison.

The double agent only mentioned once his sensational escape from Wormwoods Scrubs Prison, saying he broke his wrist when he was scampering down a rope ladder.

Long believed to have been brainwashed by his North Korean captors, Blake spoke matter of factly of how he was given ''Das Kapital'' and other works by Karl Marx to read in captivity.

''I kept thinking more and more what I should do further,'' he said. ''I came to the conclusion: not to hinder in all ways the building of a new society in Soviet Russia and in other countries.

''That was clear - but how. I decided to get in touch with KGB officers. And I told them about my desire to work for the Soviet Union.

''From the very first meetings, I announced I did not want any privileges, any bonuses, any payments, or help in returning early. They agreed.''

Blake did not mention his Russian family, but he is known to have married a translator, Ida, and has a son, Misha, now 19.

In his 1988 television interview, Blake said he at first found it hard to adjust in the Soviet Union, had no friends and could not speak Russian well.

A Middle East specialist for the British, Blake said he still concentrates on that area in his work for a Soviet think tank, the Institute of World Economy and Internatioanl Relations.

Blake is the last of a diminishing band of British turncoats who found refuge and lived out their lives in their adopted land, including Kim Philby, Guy Burgess and Donald Maclean.

Blake frequently saw Philby, the famed ''Third Man'' in the most successful Soviet spy ring of all time, and socialized with MacLean, who was given a job in a Soviet research center.

In his last years, Philby also appeared on television. Finally after his death the KGB celebrated his life in a movie jointly made with the British, while Russians beset by daily shortages scratched their heads and wondered what had compelled him to leave the West.

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#90310u1291 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (NOV. 6) UPI - A federal jury has awarded $7.5 million to a West Bloomfield, Mich., couple after determining that a poorly designed seat belt in their Toyota left the husband partially paralyzed after a 1988 crash.

Mindy Geller, a spokeswoman for Toyota's U.S. headquarters in Torrance, Calif. said Tuesday the Japanese carmaker was planning to appeal the verdict, reached Monday after six hours of deliberation following a 2 1/2-week trial.

''We were surprised,'' Geller said. ''We believe the evidence clearly showed the seatbelt... actually saved his life and performed precisely as it was designed. It is ironic that under these circumstances such a verdict was awarded.''

But jury foreman Robert Gura said the jury felt the seatbelt in the 1986-model Toyota 4Runner sport utility truck was ''defective by design.

''It doesn't provide the protection the federal law says it should,'' said Gura, a supervisor at Chrysler Corp.'s stamping plant in Warren, Mich..

Toyota's Geller could not immediately say if Toyota has since revised its seat belt design.

The lawsuit was filed by Cliff Sadlier, 58, who was partially paralyzed after he blacked out and struck a tree with his Toyota 4Runner Feb. 9, 1988.

Sadlier's attorneys claim Toyota had failed to install devices that prevent excess slack in the seat belts during an accident. Most American cars have that device.

Sadlier, who claims to be confined to a wheelchair most of the time, was in fact pronounced dead on arrival at St. Joseph Hospital in Pontiac, Mich., but survived the accident, his attorneys said. He is now able to walk a little with the aid of braces and crutches.

Sadlier, forced to close his auto transmission shop after the accident, claimed he was traveling 25 mph at the time of the crash, although Toyota's attorneys said he was going 40 mph.

Out of the total $7.5 million, the jury awarded $1.5 million to Sadlier's wife for partial loss of companionship.

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#90310u1307 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

ROME (NOV. 6) UPI - Hungary became the first East European country to join a West European political organization Tuesday when it signed a treaty making it a member of the Council of Europe.

The ceremony took place at a meeting of foreign ministers of the Council of Europe, which is the oldest of the European organizations established after World War II. Its action raised the number of members of the Council from 23 to 24.

''This is a historic event for Hungary and for the Council of Europe, '' Hungarian Foreign Minister Geza Jezensky said.

Catherine Lalumiere, French secretary-general of the Council of Europe said: ''It is a capital stage in overcoming the divisions of Europe established at Yalta.''

In welcoming Hungary into the organization, the Council took its first concrete step toward fulfilling its ambition to become the main seat of the ''European House'', bringing under its roof all the countries of Western and Eastern Europe.

Poland was scheduled to join the Council after its elections, with Czechoslovakia following in early 1991,

''I am sure that, as with Hungary, the entry of the other East European countries can help them to consolidate their internal changes in a democratic sense,'' Jezensky said.

The Council of Europe, a consultative umbrella organization for European political coordination, is currently concentrating mainly on support for human rights.

After signing the membership treaty, the Hungarian foreign minister signed the Council's statute and the European Human Rights Convention. He also signed 13 other Council Conventions.

Foreign and Justice Ministers of the Council discussed the role of the Human Rights Convention Monday in the first day of the two-day ministerial meetings.

Prospects for the forthcoming summit meeting of the Conference on European Security and Cooperation (CSCE) to be held in Paris Nov. 19-21 dominated most of the foreign ministers' meeting Tuesday.

The ministers also confirmed their full support for U.N. resolutions on the Persian Gulf crisis and their solidarity with the European stand against the violation of human rights in Iraq and Kuwait.

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#90310u1308 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (NOV. 6) UPI - Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok imposed a curfew on a strife-torn black township Tuesday in a bid to quell fighting between political factions that has killed 25 people in six days.

Vlok said in a statement the 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. curfew, which also gives police wide powers of search and arrest, was aimed at the ''hooligans and criminal elements who prey on the law-abiding citizens'' of Bekkersdal, west of Johannesburg.

The African National Congress sent veteran official Wilton Mkwayi to Bekkersdal Tuesday to help end the battles, sparked last Thursday by gangs of youths arguing over whether to boycott end-of-year school examinations.

Mkwayi and a team of assistants were sent to ''plead for peace among the residents... the police have not been able to end this,'' an ANC spokesman said.

But the movement said later the effects of the delegation's visit ''will only be felt in the coming days.''

Groups have been fighting sporadically with axes, knives, clubs and gasoline bombs, police spokesman Capt. Eugene Opperman said, noting scores of families have fled their homes to avoid the violence.

He said police had arrested eight people and confiscated two AK-47 assault rifles and other weapons. But he conceded, ''We're not really finding it easy to stop this fighting.''

He said the figure of 25 dead could climb ''as we are finding bodies in isolated spots.'' Police estimate about 10 people have been injured.

Followers of the militantly black-consciousness Azanian People's Organization clashed with ANC supporters who had been urging students to boycott the exams, police said.

The tension in Bekkersdal reflects the national rivalry between the two movements.

AZAPO primarily accuses the more popular ANC of going soft on its struggle against white minority rule by holding preliminary power- sharing talks with the government.

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#90310u1330 11/06/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 6) UPI - British diplomats in Geneva report that Prime Minister Thatcher has told Jordan's King Hussein that the military option is still wide open when it comes to settling the Persian Gulf crisis. The two are in Switzerland attending a U-N conference on the environment.

Secretary of State Baker has left Cairo after meeting with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. Aides say the two discussed the command structure of the multi-national force now in Saudi Arabia. Egypt has 20-thousand crack troops on the front line along with other nations standing up against Iraq.

Defense Minister Moshe Arens says Israel will respond, in his words, ''without hesitation'', if it is attacked by Iraq. And he promises a quick response to any pro-Iraqi activity in the occupied territories. His comments came in an interview with a Paris newspaper that was published today.

Israeli leaders across the political spectrum are denouncing the killing of ultra right-wing Rabbi Meir Kahane in New York last night and they calling on Israelis to show restraint. Two elderly West Bank Arabs were shot and killed today in an apparent revenge attack by an Israeli settler following Kahane's assassination. Police have stepped up patrols in Israel and put members of Kahane's political movement under surveillance to prevent further violence.

In its first full opinion of the 1990-91 term, the Supreme Court today limited the options available for recovering damages under general maritime law. The decision clears up a discrepancy in lower courts over whether general maritime law permits a survival action for the future wage loss of a dead sailor. The ruling came in a case that grew out of the 1984 stabbing death of a crew member aboard a ship docked in Vancouver, Washington.

Wreckers hauled away more than 20 United Parcel Service trucks and vans to satisfy a former employee's multi-Million-dollar judgment against the giant shipping company. And lawyers for Gerry Dickens say that's just the beginning. Attorney Michael Pohl says the seizure of trucks, airplanes and other items

will continue until six-point-four- Million dollars worth of assets have been collected. Dickens won the judgment from U-P-S after suing for discrimination in 1986.

A Wisconsin woman who claims to have as many as 22 personalities is expected to testify today against the man accused of sexually assaulting her. Mark Peterson is accused of raping one of the woman's personalities... a lively 20-year-old named Jennifer who likes music and dancing. Prosecutors charged in opening statements yesterday in Winnebago County Circuit Court that Peterson knew the woman was mentally ill when he had coffee with her and sexually attacked her in an Oshkosh park last June.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - Yields declined on 3-year T-notes Tuesday to an average of 7.78 percent at the start of the government's quarterly refunding, the lowest since 7.77 percent Nov. 9, 1989, the Treasury Department said.

The department said it auctioned $12.6 billion of the 7 3/4 percent interest rate notes at an average of $99.921. At the last auction Aug. 7, the average yield was 8.10 percent.

The United States is offering a record $34.25 billion in notes and bonds in the three-day refunding to pay off securities reaching maturity and raise a total of about $10.725 billion in new cash.

The Treasury Department anticipates a record borrowing need of $97.7 billion during the current quarter to pay for government operations, including the massive bailout of the savings and loan industry.

Demand appeared strong for the 3-year notes offered Tuesday. The government received nearly $47 billion in tenders for the securities.

Of the $12.6 billion in bids accepted, $1.7 billion of the notes were awarded at the average price to Federal Reserve Banks ''as agents for foreign and international monetary authorities,'' the Treasury Department said.

The refunding continues Wednesday with an offering of $11 billion in 10-year notes. On Thursday, the government will also offer $10.75 billion in 29 3/4-year bonds and $12 billion in a 161-day cash management bill.

The minimum denomination on the 3-year notes is $5,000. The minimum denomination on the 10-year note and 29 3/4-year bonds is $1,000. The minimum purchase for the cash management bills is $10,000.

At a news conference last week, the department said it anticipated a net market borrowing need of between $47 billion and $52 billion in the first

quarter of next year.

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#90310u1363 11/06/1990 ~United Press International
INDIANAPOLIS (NOV. 6) UPI - Bindley Western Drug Co. said Tuesday it has reached an agreement to become the primary supplier to the pharmacies in Winn-Dixie Combo Stores.

The agreement with Winn-Dixie Stores Inc., of Jacksonville, Fla., effective last Thursday, covers 79 stores located in eight states. Bindley Western divisions located in Indianapolis, Atlanta, Charlotte, N.C., Orlando, Fla. and Dallas will provide the service.

Bindley Western Drug is a division of Bindley Western Industries Inc., one of the largest drug wholesalers in the United States with sales of about $2 billion, officers said.

The company serves customers in 39 states through distribution centers in Atlanta, Brockton, Mass., Charlotte, N.C., Dallas, Houston, Indianapolis, North Hollywood, Calif., Orlando, Fla., Phoenix, Ariz., and Stamford, Conn.

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#90310u1381 11/06/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Prudential-Bache Securities Inc., in the latest sign of retrenchment on Wall Street, is laying off at least two-thirds of its investment bankers, a source close to the company said Tuesday.

In addition to the dismissals of about 120 of its 180 investment bankers, James F. Crowley has resigned as head of investment banking at the firm, the source said. A replacement for Crowley has yet to be named.

A spokesman for Prudential-Bache, a subsidiary of Newark, N.J.-based Prudential Insurance Co. of America, declined to confirm or deny the reports. Crowley was unavailable for comment.

Prudential-Bache had spent more than $100 million over the past four years in an effort to build up its investment banking business. The company had been primarily a retail brokerage firm serving small investors.

According to a story in the Wall Street Journal Tuesday, Prudential- Bache Chairman George Ball sent a memo to employees Oct. 22 warning the firm needed to cut 1991 costs by $100 million. Prudential-Bache posted a loss of $51 million last year.

In the memo, Ball singled out the investment banking department, stating, ''we need to scale it to a size where it'll be profitable in 1991,'' the Journal

reported.

The newspaper also said Prudential-Bache will be trimming other departments in the next few months in an effort to shore up its financial strength and focus on its core business of selling stocks to individual investors.

The cutbacks are expected to include risk arbitrage, an area in which the firm plans to invest less capital.

In the first nine months of this year, Prudential-Bache ranked 42nd on Wall Street in the total value of completed deals such as mergers, spinoffs and stock repurchases, the Journal said. The firm is ranked in the top 20 in terms of the number of completed deals.

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#90310u1391 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

ANKARA, Turkey (NOV. 6) UPI - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker arrived in Ankara late Tuesday on the fourth leg of his seven-day tour to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis with leaders in the region.

The secretary of state, whose plane landed at Ankara's Esenboga airport about 7:30 p.m. was welcomed by Foreign Minister Ahmet Kurtgebe Alptemocin. He made no statement to waiting journalists before being driven to the city.

Baker will hold talks Wednesday with Alptemocin and Prime Minister Yildirim Akbulut before meeting President Turgut Ozal. Officials said the meeting with the president could last more than 90 minutes.

A Foreign Ministry official said that although Ankara's official stance is that it does not wish to get embroiled in an all-out war with Iraq, public opinion in Turkey has undergone a dramatic change since Baker's last visit at the beginning of the gulf crisis.

Baker flew to Turkey from Egypt where made no statements to reporters. A spokeswoman denied Egyptian reports that Baker argued with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak about a timetable for using military force against Iraq.

Baker arrived in Cairo earlier Tuesday from Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, where he discussed a wide range of issues with Saudi leaders including a possible military strike against Iraq and the command structure of the 17-nation U.S.-led multi-national force in the event of war.

Official statements after Baker's talks in the Arab kingdom, where Cairo officials say 20,000 Egyptian troops are stationed on the front line ahead of U.S. and other Western troops, did not mention a time- table for a military strike against Baghdad.

But Baker's decision to cancel a scheduled news conference after his talks with Mubarak fueled speculation that he had rowed with the Egyptian leader, who has been a staunch supporter of U.S. policies in the Gulf but prefers to exhaust all options including sanctions before contemplating any military option.

''There was absolutely no row between President Mubarak and Secretary Baker,'' Baker spokeswoman Kim Hoggard told reporters at Cairo airport.

''The President had to go to a meeting and Baker thought it wasn't appropriate to hold a press conference on his own on the president's territory.''

Baker spent less than a day in Cairo and held talks at Cairo international airport with Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, who is in the Egyptian capital on his own tour of the region.

Hoggard gave few details of Baker's talks with the Chinese official, but said both men held ''excellent discussions.''

It was not immediately clear if China would support military action against Iraq, although Qichen, whose country is a permanent member of the U.N. Security Council, said Beijing would obey all Security Council resolutions.

Asked if China would support a military strike against Iraq, Qichen peaceful means should be exhausted before war was contemplated.

''No country wants war ... we're trying to exhaust all peaceful options ... Secretary Baker (told me) the use of other (non-peaceful) means should not be ruled out, and it is our position that as long as there is hope for peace, we should strive for a peaceful settlement,'' Qichen told reporters.

Asked what he would tell Saddam Hussein when he visits Baghdad, the Chinese foreign minister said he had no desire to discuss any proposal with Iraq.

''I haven't brought any proposal ... I don't want to discuss any proposal ... my mission is to explore a possible peaceful settlement, so I will not deal with any specific proposal,'' he said.

Some observers saw the Sino-American talks as evidence of China's growing role in the gulf crisis.

Baghdad recently announced it would release all foreigners held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait if five countries, including China, promised to renounce any military option in the gulf.

Qian was asked in Beijing before his departure early Tuesday if he believed the Gulf crisis could strengthen ties between Beijing and Washington, but he sidestepped the question. The two countries have had chilly relations since

China cracked down on a student-led pro-democracy movement in the summer of 1989.

Saudi Arabia's royal family sent mixed signals about a possible military strike against Iraq Tuesday following a meeting in the Saudi Red Sea port and summer resort of Jeddah with Baker, who is reportedly touring the region to drum up support among Arab leaders for a military option to end the 3-month-old standoff.

Prince Saud al-Faisal, Saudi Arabia's foreign minister, told reporters in Jeddah as Baker departed that a peaceful settlement was ''in the hands of the Iraqis.''

The royal family has indicated in past statements that it was not eager to have the kingdom used as a launching pad to oust Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

But Faisal had a more ambiguous message Tuesday.

''We reiterate, what we always said is that we are against the aggression that has happened in Kuwait,'' he said. ''We are one with the international community in standing against this aggression and with the United Nation's resolutions to see this aggression is ended.

''Within that reference, we would like a peaceful settlement, but that option is in the hands of the Iraqis.''

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#90310u1396 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 6) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Tuesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	77.10	77.65	76.82	77.57	77.20
Feb	74.50	74.92	74.27	74.80	74.62
Apr	74.55	75.05	74.42	74.95	74.67
Jun	72.45	72.87	72.32	72.72	72.45
Aug	71.05	71.40	71.05	71.30	71.05
Oct	71.47	71.70	71.45	71.62	71.42
Dec	....	....	....	72.25	72.25

Est. sales 11,689 contracts; Monday 8,063; open interest 68,751 up 118.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Nov	87.25	87.95	87.22	87.90	87.32
Jan	85.25	86.25	85.22	86.15	85.32
Mar	83.20	83.85	83.15	83.80	83.25
Apr	82.32	82.80	82.25	82.75	82.35

May 81.80 82.10 81.55 81.82 81.65
Aug 81.00 81.00 81.00 81.00 80.80
Sep .... 80.20 80.20 Est. sales 1,648 contracts; Monday 745; open interest 9,242 up 65.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec 51.90 53.82 51.85 53.82 52.32
Feb 49.60 51.37 49.50 51.27 49.87
Apr 47.10 48.40 46.95 48.12 47.12
Jun 50.50 51.95 50.50 51.60 50.65
Jul 51.00 52.15 50.80 51.97 51.15
Aug 50.00 50.15 50.00 50.15 49.50
Oct 44.50 44.85 44.50 44.85 44.60
Dec .... 44.90 .... 44.90 44.80 Est. sales 11,224 contracts; Monday 6,355; open interest 26,537 up 20.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb 65.80 68.25 65.30 68.25 66.25
Mar 64.95 67.37 64.80 67.37 65.37
May 65.30 67.55 65.05 67.55 65.55
Jul 65.40 66.62 64.10 66.62 64.62
Aug 64.00 64.00 63.95 64.00 62.00 Est. sales 6,117 contracts; Monday 5,619; open interest 8,600 up 181.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Tuesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 126.94 down 6 cents, 700-850 lbs. 126.81 down 5 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 118.30 up 7 cents, 700-850 lbs. 117.69 down 4 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow to moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts steady; skinned hams weak to lower; seedless bellies firm; pork loins 14- 18 lbs. 101.00-103.00; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 78.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 98.50-101.00, 20-26 lbs. 93.00-94.00; bellies 12-14 lbs. 55.50, 16-18 lbs. 53.50-55.00.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 6) UPI - Grain and soybean futures were mixed at the close Tuesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Corn and soybeans were at or near session lows following a day of choppy trading.

Crop estimates from Sparks Commodities were slightly bearish for soybeans and slightly bullish for soybeans. Private analyst Conrad Leslie was scheduled to release his November estimates later in the day.

The November crop report from the Agriculture Department is scheduled for Thursday.

Soybeans were at their lowest levels in several weeks. Gains made in an early rally were soon wiped out by professional selling, although losses were limited by commercial buying at the lows.

Corn was moderately lower on the lack of buyers and the weakness in the soy complex.

Wheat rallied on light selling interest and the sale of around 400, 000 tons to Morocco and the Philippines.

Basis levels were steady to firm.

At the close, corn was off 1/2 to 1 1/2, soybeans down 6 3/4 to up 3/4, wheat up 1 1/4 to 2 and oats off 1/4 to 1.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 6) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.65	2.67	2.64 1/2	2.65 1/2	2.64 1/4
Mar	2.79 1/2	2.81 1/2	2.79	2.80 1/2	2.78 3/4
May	2.88 1/2	2.90	2.87 3/4	2.88 3/4	2.86 3/4
Jly	2.93 1/2	2.94 3/4	2.92 3/4	2.93 3/4	2.91 3/4
Sep	2.98	2.98 1/4	2.98	2.98 1/4	2.96 1/2
Dec	3.11	3.11	3.11	3.11	3.09
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.30 3/4	2.31 1/2	2.29 3/4	2.30 1/4	2.30 3/4
Mar	2.40 1/4	2.41 1/2	2.39 3/4	2.40	2.40 3/4
May	2.47 1/4	2.48 1/4	2.46 1/2	2.46 1/2	2.47 1/2
Jly	2.52 1/4	2.53 1/4	2.51 1/2	2.51 3/4	2.52 3/4
Sep	2.52 1/4	2.53	2.51	2.51	2.52 1/2
Dec	2.52 1/2	2.53	2.51	2.51 1/2	2.53
Mar	2.58 1/2	2.58 1/2	2.57	2.57 1/2	2.58 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.20 3/4	1.22	1.20	1.20	1.21
Mar	1.31 1/4	1.32 1/2	1.30 3/4	1.31 1/4	1.31 1/2
May	1.37 1/2	1.39	1.37 1/2	1.37 3/4	1.38 1/4

Jly	1.43 1/2	1.44	1.43 1/2	1.43 3/4	1.44
Sep	1.49 3/4	1.49 3/4	1.49 3/4	1.49 3/4	1.50

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	5.82 1/2	5.83	5.75 1/2	5.75 3/4	5.81 1/2
Jan	5.99	5.99	5.90	5.90 3/4	5.97 1/2
Mar	6.12 1/2	6.14	6.05 1/2	6.06	6.12
May	6.26 1/2	6.26 1/2	6.19	6.20	6.25 3/4
Jly	6.36	6.37	6.30 1/2	6.31	6.36 1/4
Aug	6.35	6.37 1/2	6.31 1/2	6.31 3/4	6.36 1/4
Sep	6.23	6.23	6.20	6.20	6.19 1/4
Nov	6.11	6.14 1/2	6.10	6.11 3/4	6.11 1/2
Jan	6.24	6.25	6.24	6.24	6.23 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	21.28	21.35	21.09	21.10	21.37
Jan	21.57	21.64	21.36	21.38	21.65
Mar	22.05	22.09	21.85	21.85	22.12
May	22.48	22.50	22.24	22.24	22.53
Jul	22.75	22.77	22.51	22.52	22.84
Aug	22.80	22.80	22.59	22.59	22.81
Sep	22.68	22.72	22.50	22.55	22.70
Oct	22.55	22.55	22.35	22.40	22.55
Dec	22.50	22.55	22.35	22.35	22.52
Jan	22.50	22.50	22.30	22.35	22.55

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	175.80	176.00	174.60	174.90	176.00
Jan	178.00	178.70	177.30	177.50	178.60
Mar	182.80	183.20	181.80	182.10	183.10
May	185.80	186.00	184.50	184.80	185.60
Jul	188.50	188.80	187.20	187.80	188.20
Aug	189.00	190.00	188.50	188.70	189.00
Sep	187.00	188.50	186.50	186.50	186.50
Oct	184.00	184.00	183.00	183.20	182.70
Dec	183.50	185.00	183.50	184.70	184.20
Jan	183.50	186.00	183.50	185.00	185.00

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - George Steinbrenner, supposedly banished from all pertinent dealings with the New York Yankees, wants to participate in free-agent signings. The baseball commissioner's office says no thank you.

According to a report in Tuesday's New York Newsday, Steinbrenner said there is a clause in Commissioner Fay Vincent's decision removing him as the team's general partner allowing him to request permission to deal ''in matters of a

material and extraordinary nature.

''Certainly, when you're going to spend millions of dollars on a free agent, it's material and it's extraordinary,'' he told the newspaper. ''So I wrote a nice letter and asked for permission to be involved. No. 1, it's my money. No. 2, it's extraordinary. And No. 3, nobody's had more experience than I have with free agents. I've made all the right choices and I've made all the mistakes.''

Newsday reported that Vincent turned down his petition. Vincent is in Japan and Richard Levin, a spokesman for the commissioner's office, said Steinbrenner was aware of the restraints mandated by Vincent's decision when he signed it.

In another matter, an authority in court reporting says changes allegedly made in sworn testimony given by Steinbrenner and other Yankee officials during Vincent's investigation of Spira were ''totally improper.

Raymond DeSimone, a former president of the 30,000-member National Court Reporters Association, said in an affidavit ''in all my years as a shorthand reporter, I have never seen such an outrageous example of misconduct by a shorthand reporter.''

Steinbrenner filed papers in U.S. District Court, Southern District, last month, charging Esquire Reporting Company Inc. and its reporter, Philip Rizzuti, with allegedly ''illegally and secretly'' tampering with sworn testimony that he and other team officials provided during Vincent's investigation of the Spira case.

Lawyers for the company have called the charges irrelevant and stylistic in nature, and asked a federal court justice to dismiss the case on grounds their clients were representatives of Vincent's office.

Under Steinbrenner's July 30 agreement with Vincent, he is prohibited from suing the Commissioner or any of his representatives in the investigation.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Gold futures closed Tuesday 700 to 790 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	380.40	....	....	386.60	379.50
Dec	382.00	388.60	379.60	388.10	381.10
Feb	385.80	392.60	384.00	392.00	384.90
Apr	389.60	396.50	387.80	395.60	388.40

Jun	395.20	399.50	395.20	399.50	392.20
Aug	397.20	403.50	397.50	403.50	395.80
Oct	400.60	....	....	407.20	399.70
Dec	404.60	....	....	411.20	403.70
Feb	409.00	....	....	415.70	408.10
Apr	413.10	....	....	419.90	412.20
Jun	417.50	....	....	424.40	416.60
Aug	422.20	....	....	429.20	421.30

Open interest: 114,816 up 723.
Estimated sales: 40,000 contracts.

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(NOV. 6) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Atlas Cons Mining (3rd Q 9-30)	
$56,555,000	$52,116,000
$3,429,000 (.04)	$1,359,000 (.02)
Connecticut Ener (4th Q 9-30)	
$20,149,000	$18,588,000
d-$3,315,000	d-$3,588,000
d-Deficit.	
Chiquita Brands (3rd Q 9-30)	
$1,060,388,000	$899,607,000
$2,270,000 (.05)	a-$20,317,000 (.51)

a-Includes extraordinary gain of about $20 million, or 49 cents per fully diluted share, for sale of company's interest in FYI- FYFFES.

Kansas City P L (3rd Q 9-30)	
$237,494,000	$220,863,000
$52,351,000 (1.64)	$47,681,000 (1.49)
Piper Jaffray (4th Q 9-28)	
$52,204,000	$57,414,000
$1,955,000 (.47)	$4,126,000 (1.03)
Sun Electric (3rd Q 9-30)	
$57,820,000	$41,029,000
d-$116,000	d-$3,532,000
d-Deficit.	

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 24 to 35 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.57	9.91	9.57	9.90	9.55
May	9.64	9.88	9.64	9.86	9.58
Jly	9.66	9.85	9.66	9.84	9.60
Oct	9.66	9.86	9.66	9.85	9.57
Mar	9.66	....	....	9.85	9.57

Estimated sales: 18,080 contracts
Open interest: 113,238 up 1,131
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.92

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday unchanged to 5 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.17	23.19	23.17	23.19	23.20
Mar	23.19	23.19	23.18	23.19	23.19
May	23.26	23.26	23.26	23.26	23.26
Jly	23.26	23.26	23.26	23.26	23.26
Sep	23.21	23.21	23.21	23.21	23.21
Nov	23.00	....	....	23.01	23.06
Jan	....	....	....	23.00	23.00

Estimated sales: 65 contracts
Open interest: 11,335 up 489

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(NOV 6) UPI - Major airlines are planning to raise fares on foreign routes at a time when international travel represents a bright spot for the industry, but airline spokesmen say the hikes should not dampen growth in their overseas markets.

''There is no way of knowing, for sure, what kind of impact there will be. (But) demand on these international routes has been very, very strong, so we would not expect any major impact,'' said Tim Smith, a spokesman for American Airlines in Fort Worth, Texas.

The fare increases, agreed upon this week in Geneva by airlines meeting under the auspices of the International Air Transport Association, range from 2 percent to 9 percent on routes linking the United States with Asia, Latin America, Africa and the Middle East.

The airlines have yet to agree on fare increases for routes linking the United States with Europe.

The hikes, effective Dec. 10 if approved by the U.S. and foreign governments, would represent the second such round of fare increases since the Persian Gulf crisis began in August, triggering a steep rise in jet fuel prices.

Airlines have raised domestic fares three times since August, for a total increase of about 15 percent, in an effort to recoup those costs.

Nevertheless, higher fuel prices have dimmed the outlook for the industry in general, driving down third-quarter profits at some carriers, like American, while triggering losses at others, such as USAir.

Smith said the impact of those fare hikes on domestic travel was unclear, because they coincided with the traditional post-summer decline in traffic and a general softening of the U.S. economy.

American's domestic traffic, while improved in September, generally has been flat for the year, Smith said.

''The flatness that we have seen for the year shows up on the domestic side,'' he said. ''Much of the growth is being driven by international demand.''

The same is true at United Airlines of Chicago, said spokesman Joe Hopkins.

''International (traffic) has been booming, particularly in the Pacific,'' where traffic is up 32.2 percent for the year, Hopkins said. By comparison, United's domestic traffic is up only 1.3 percent for the year, he said.

Hopkins declined to speculate on what impact, if any, the higher fares would have have on United's Pacific traffic.

But Elizabeth Hlinko of New York-based Pan American World Airways said holiday traffic and business travel should keep demand firm in the wake of the price hikes.

''International travel in general is our strong point. Especially in South America, we have noticed an increase, and we have adjusted our schedule to reflect that. We are certainly looking at Latin America as a very strong point that continues to grow,'' she said.

The fare increases agreed upon by the airlines include a hike of 7 percent on routes from the United States to South America, and 6 percent on the return.

Ticket prices for Pacific routes would rise 8 percent, except to Japan, where a previous agreement provided for a pending 7 percent increase, Hopkins said.

Prices for travel between the United States and Israel would rise 9 percent, as will travel from the United States to Saudi Arabia. However, travel from the Middle East kingdom, where about 250,000 U.S. troops are stationed, to the United States will rise only 2 percent, Hlinko said.

Fares from the United States to India, Pakistan and Kenya would rise 9 percent. Fares from India and Pakistan to the United States would rise 7 percent, while the return trip from Kenya would cost 6 percent more.

''These fare increases are of course fuel-related,'' Hlinko said. ''Generally, the traveling public is aware of the reason for the fare increase (and) I think people are understanding.''

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(NOV. 6) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $4 to $12 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - unchanged to 0.15 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.80 to 1.45 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.40 cent higher to 1.15 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $7.00 to $7.90 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $6.10 to $6.40 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.25 to 0.95 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 3 to 3.6 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.024 to 0.035 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90310u1503 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 6) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Mixed in sluggish trading.

Bonds - Mostly lower.

American Stocks - Mixed in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in thin trading.

Dollar - Higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1/2 to 1 1/2, soybeans down 6 3/4 to up 3/4, wheat up 1 1/4 to 2 and oats off 1/4 to 1.

Cattle Trade - Weak to $1 lower; top $79.75.

-30- 711

#90310u1524 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 6) UPI - Interco Inc., under a heavy debt load and facing ''balance sheet problems,'' said it has amended a preliminary registration filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with a restructuring of the company's outstanding debt and preferred stock.

The amendment, announced Monday, reflects a previously announced agreement in principle between Interco and steering committees for the company's lenders and holders of its notes and debentures.

As part of the restructuring, Interco would issue up to about $802 million aggregate principal of a new issue of 8.72 percent senior subordinated debentures due in the year 2000, about 98 million shares of Interco common stock, warrants to purchase 75 million shares of the stock at $2 a share and warrants to purchase 25 million shares at $4 a share. After the restructuring, Interco would have about 100 million common shares outstanding.

The restructuring plan also calls for amending Interco's existing bank credit agreement to extend the dates at which about $800 million principal in outstanding debt would be amortized. The bank credit agreement would provide working capital and letter of credit facilities, as well as term loans.

Interco also has said it would solicit acceptance of a prepackaged Chapter 11 reorganization plan if the restructuring cannot be accomplished otherwise.

''The restructuring will address Interco's balance sheet problems,'' said

Chairman Richard B. Loynd.

Specifically, the restructuring is designed to ''enhance the long- term stability of Interco'' and to ''permit us to capitalize on the inherent strength of the core companies, including well-established dealer networks, high brand recognition and efficient manufacturing operations.''

Interco is a major manufacturer of furniture and a manufacturer and retailer of footwear through core companies Broyhill Industries Inc., Lane Co., Converse Inc. and Florsheim Shoe Co.

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#90310u1539 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (NOV. 6) UPI - Despite the threat of war in the Middle East, a large study of American soldiers found the U.S. Army can be a ''lifesaving environment,'' researchers said Tuesday.

The study found the overall death rates in 1986 for 781,000 Army personnel were only one-half those of a comparable civilian population, said Joseph Rothberg, a mathematician at Walter Reed Institute of Research in Washington.

The benefits of Army life were especially pronounced for black male soldiers, who had only about one-third of the mortality rate of comparable civilians, Rothberg and colleagues reported in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Part of the mortality differences between soldiers and civilians undoubtedly has to do with the fact that recruits have to be healthy enough to pass medical exams to get into the Army, Rothberg said.

In addition ''these people in the Army all had jobs, they had access to free medical services, they had housing and they lived in an environment with strict regulations against substance abuse,'' Rothberg said. They also ''live in a social structure which says you resolve arguments without taking a gun and wasting somebody,'' he added.

Rothberg noted that the death rates are for the ''peacetime Army'' of 1986 when there was nothing comparable to the current military deployment in the Middle East. He acknowleged that if war breaks out, the Army mortality rate could change considerably. But ''hopefully, we'll be able to resolve this without killing each other,'' he said.

The study concluded that even people who consider the Army lifestyle too great an infringement on individual freedoms can use the example to determine what changes might be made in civilian society - such as substance abuse control and firearm regulations - to bring about similar reductions in death rates.

For black male soldiers, the homicide rate was only 9 percent that of black male civilians of the same age range while the black soldiers' death rate due to disease was only 18 percent of the comparable civilian rate, the study found.

The study included all members of the Army, who ranged in age from 17 to the mandatory 65 retirement age.

For white males, the overall death rate for soldiers was 64 percent that of comparable civilians and the homicide rate for soldiers was 32 percent of the civilian rate.

''The dramatically lower rate of homicide death among male soldiers and the large apparent protective effect of the Army with regard to black male soldiers may reflect the effects of a psychosocial environment'' in the Army that makes it easier to control behavior, the study said.

More research into the proportion of homicides in the Army compared to civilian life ''may reveal more details regarding ways the Army is a lifesaving environment,'' the study said.

However, the study also found that for the 10 percent or so of soldiers who are women, the Army can be a dangerous place.

While the overall death rate for women soldiers was 78 percent that of women civilians, the rate for white women soldiers was 39 percent higher than for white female civilians, the study said.

Among white women soldiers, the rate of death due to disease was 50 percent lower than for comparable civilians, but deaths from other causes were more than twice as high for the soldiers as the civilians.

For black women, the rate of death from disease among the soldiers was only 17 percent that of civilians. The death rate for other causes was 77 percent as high for soldiers as for civilians.

The fact that women soldiers overall died at a higher rate than women civilians from causes other than disease is primarily related to accidents, Rothberg said. The study said this ''is consistent with the idea that women, even in contemporary American culture, are not as likely to be exposed to dangerous heavy equipment'' in civilian life than in the military.

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#90310u1558 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.90

60 to 89 days 7.83

90 to 119 days 7.75

120 to 149 days 7.67

150 to 179 days 7.63

180 to 270 days 7.55

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.85 - 7.70

Issuers 30 days 7.83

Issuers 90 days 7.81

Issuers 270 days 7.47

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.01

60 to 89 days 8.11

90 to 119 days 8.01

120 to 149 days 7.96

150 to 179 days 7.96

180 days 7.96

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

1 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

3 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

6 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

Year 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.09 - 7.07

6 months 7.07 - 7.05

Year 6.89 - 6.87

Federal Funds: High 7 13-16, Low 7 3/4, Close 7 3/4

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.707 up 0.025.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90310u1564 11/06/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Meir Kahane, the fiery rabbi who advocated driving all the Arabs out of Israel, was assassinated in a Manhattan hotel by a gunman police identified Tuesday as of Egyptian descent.

The alleged assassin, El-Sayyid Nosair, 34, was shot and captured shortly after the bearded rabbi was gunned down in front of horrified members of a Zionist conference. He was taken to Bellevue Hospital and place under guard.

The New York City Department of General Services said Nosair was employed by the city servicing boilers and air conditioners.

Police said it was unclear whether Nosair is a U.S. citizen, but said he is of ''of Egyptian descent.'' Nosair was listed by the city as having a Brooklyn address.

An anonymous caller to United Press International in New York said, ''The Kahane killing was in revenge for the death of 24 Palestinians in Israel. This

is just the beginning for the Zionists that speak out.''

Kahane, 58, a Brooklyn native who founded the militant Jewish Defense League and started Israel's extremist Kach movement, was shot to death Monday night during the Zionist conference at the New York Marriott East Side Hotel.

Kahane was shot once in the head and once in the chest at 9:05 p.m. and was taken to Bellevue Hospital where he died less than an hour later.

His funeral was arranged for 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, at Young Israel of Ocean Parkway in Brooklyn, where throngs began to gather in the early afternoon.

Later, a procession was scheduled to take Kahane's body to Kennedy International Airport for a flight to Israel.

In Israel, hours after the killing, two elderly West Bank Arabs were shot and killed in an apparent revenge attack by a Jewish settler.

Kahane was shot during a question and answer session folowing his speech, when, ''an individual who had been present throughout the entire speech approached Kahane and pulled a revolver,'' said New York Chief of Detectives Joseph Borrelli.

The assailant then ran from the conference room, shooting Kahane supporter Irving Franklin, 73, in the right leg as he tried to stop him.

The gunmen fled to the street, commandeered a cab and then jumped out a few blocks later. As he ran up the street he was confronted by Postal Police Officer Carlos Acosta.

He shot twice at Acosta, with one bullet being deflected by Acosta's bulletproof vest and the other striking him in the arm. The officer returned fire, hitting Nosair in the chin.

Nosair was taken to Bellevue Hospital, where he underwent surgery and was listed in serious but stable condition Tuesday morning, said hospital spokeswoman Karen Crowe. He was expected to remain hospitalized for about five days under heavy police guard, she said.

Franklin was in stable condition but not ready for immediate release, she said. Acosta was expected to be discharged later Tuesday.

Nosair is charged with murder, two counts of attempted murder and possession of an illegal weapon. A senior prosecutor, Assistant Manhattan District Attorney William Greenbaum of the Major Offense- Career Criminal Unit, was assigned to the case.

Nosair had held his $30,000 job as a city maintenance man since April 1988,

said department spokesman John Beckman. He listed ''Karen Nosair'' at a Brooklyn telephone number as the person to contact in case of emergency, but a woman who answered that number declined comment.

While right-wing Jews immediately called for revenge for the killing, Israeli leaders across the political spectrum urged restraint.

Police in Israel stepped up patrols to prevent reprisals against Arabs. In the past following Arab attacks on Jews, activists from Kahane's Kach Party frequently have been involved in anti-Arab reprisals.

Irv Rubin of Los Angeles, Kahane's successor as leader of the JDL, threatened retaliation in the death.

''We're not going to sit by and let a dirty, filthy Arab assassin assassinate Jewish people,'' Rubin said. ''The fact that they can cut down Rabbi Kahane in his prime is a foreboding to all Jewish people that there are dark days ahead.''

Kahane founded the JDL in the United States. The organization's allying cry, ''Never Again,'' refers to the 6 million Jews who perished in the Nazi holocaust.

The Brooklyn-born Kahane emigrated to Israel and in 1984 was elected to the Knesset, Israel's Parliament, on a promise to drive Arabs from Israel and the occupied West Bank. He also vowed to outlaw marriages between Jews and non-Jews in Israel.

Because of his radically anti-Arab views Kahane was not permitted to run for a second term in the Israeli Parliament.

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#90310u1578 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1031.7
Monday	1036.3
Week ago	1090.4
Month ago	1082.6
Year ago	1108.2
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1025.5

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#90310u1584 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - A senior State Department official said Tuesday

that Iraq is ''the most sealed off nation in the history of the world'' and the economic sanctions are beginning to bite, but military action may still be required.

Jock Covey, deputy assistant secretary of state for Near East affairs, told a conference on non-governmental officials that Iraq is losing $2 billion a month in canceled oil sales and only about 10 percent of its former imports are getting through the internal economic sanctions.

''Iraq is more sealed off than any nation in history,'' said Covey, adding that Iraq leader Saddam Hussein ''may have begun to recognize that he's in a box.'' But Covey said it is still necessary to make it unmistakable that Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait.

Delegates at the conference of non-governmental organizations expressed unease over the prospect that U.S. forces might become involved in a large-scale military conflict without the consent of the American public. One delegate in the questioning compared the current atmosphere to 1965, a pivotal year for the deepening U.S. involvement in the war in Southeast Asia.

Another noted the agreement reached between Secretary of State James Baker and King Fahd of Saudi Arabia on the possible use of military force against Iraq. The delegate said that a decision that would not take into account other members of the United Nations would destroy the coalition of support that the United States has so carefully built up in the Gulf crisis.

''We're dealing with a different kind of psychology here,'' Covey responded. ''We must make it absolutely clear to Saddam Hussein that there's no way out of this box he is in. The military option has to be real, not just a piece of scenery on an MGM lot.''

Other questions at the conference expressed anxiety over one of the stated U.S. goals: guaranteeing the future stability of the Persian Gulf which, one delegate suggested, meant the physical removal of Saddam from power by means of military force.

''We will require some assurance that this won't happen again as soon as our forces vacate the area,'' Covey said.

The exact shape of that assurance, he said, ''is hard to predict at this point.'' The intention, he said, ''is to change the behavior of a major force in that area.''

Iraq, with some 1 million men under arms, is the largest military force in the Middle East and the fourth largest military organization in the world, after the Soviet Union, the United States and China.

But, he said, ''Nothing can ever again be the same in the Gulf area.''

That change includes, he said, decisions on the part of countries such as Saudi Arabia and Kuwait to invite in outside forces. These forces, in some form or another, will be a constant in the future equations of political stability in the region.

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#90310u1592 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Tuesday it will offer $20 billion in 13- and 26-week T-bills at its weekly auction next Monday to raise $2.25 billion in new cash.

The $20 billion will be a record for a goverment offering of Treasury bills, the agency said.

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#90310u1593 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	66 1-8	off 1-4
AT&T Company	34 5-8	off 5-8
BCE Inc	33 3-8	unch
Bell Atlantic	52	off 1 1-2
BellSouth Corp	53 3-4	off 5-8
Exxon Corp	49 1-8	up 1-8
Ford Motor Co	27 1-2	up 1-4
Genl Electric	53 3-8	off 1-2
General Motors	37 1-4	off 1-8
GTE Corp	28 1-2	up 1-8
IBM Corp	107 7-8	unch
Mobil Oil Corp	59 1-2	off 7-8
Nynex Corp	69 1-8	up 1-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24 3-8	up 1-8
Pacific Telesis	45 1-4	off 1-2
Phila Electric	17	unch
Sears Roebuck	26 1-4	off 1-8
Southern Co	26 3-8	off 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	55 5-8	off 5-8
US West Inc	37 1-8	off 1-8

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#90310u1602 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Tuesday	2485.15	off	17.08	844.12	off	6.47	213.03	off	1.63
Monday	2502.23	up	11.39	850.59	up	8.13	214.66	off	1.26
Week ago	2448.02	up	17.82	825.07	off	2.04	210.95	up	2.57
Month ago	2445.54	off	78.22	841.35	off	18.30	204.67	off	3.83
Year ago	2597.13	up	14.96	1188.30	off	4.27	219.63	up	1.57
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90310u1605 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (NOV. 6) UPI - School bus schedules were thrown into disarray Tuesday when drivers honored an election day boycott called by black religious leaders in protest of the Dade County School Board's choice of a superintendent.

School officials said at least 70 percent of the county's 300 bus drivers did not report for work, forcing administrators to assign priority to younger children and to make many high school students find their own way to school.

''We kind of knew this was going to happen, we didn't realize it was going to be this significant,'' said school transportation chief Bill Stiernan. ''We had estimated that 50 or 60 percent of the drivers would not show up, not the 70 percent that happened this morning.''

Several students and teachers also adhered to the boycott, staged because the school board passed over Tee S. Greer, a black man with more than 30 years experience in the school system, in replacing former school superintendent Paul Bell, who died of a heart attack last month.

As Bell's successor, the board chose Octavio Visiedo, a Cuban who has been in the department about seven years.

In protest, black leaders asked people to stay home from work, keep their children out of school and to vote. They also asked people to vote against board members who did not want Greer as their superintendent. Blacks were said to be turning out at the polls in record numbers.

''Miami is the Selma, Ala., of the '90s and the South Africa of the United States,'' said Rev. Richard Dunn, a boycott organizer. ''This is an issue of racism and the time has come to face it.''

Organizers dismissed concerns that keeping students out of school could send them the wrong message about their education. They said the kids were getting

a valuable civics lesson.

''The lesson our children received today was more powerful than they would receive in any curriculum in any school,'' said the Rev. Victor Curry. ''In fact, by picking Mr. Visiedo over Dr. Greer the school board showed their own students more injustice than anyone else.''

At a noon rally attended by more than 3,000 people at the school administration building, black leaders called for Visiedo's resignation on grounds his appointment was unjust.

Four caskets were placed on the podium to represent the deaths of civil rights human rights, equality and justice and speakers said it was time to bring them back to life.

Earlier in the day some black churches became classrooms where children were taught about the civil rights movement.

Some of the children were among more than 1,700 students, or 70 percent of the student body, who stayed away from predominantly black Edison High School.

''For so long we've been sitting back and accepting things and we've allowed other things to happen that we don't agree with,'' said 12th grader Flai Livingston. ''And now this is they way that we come together as a unified body.''

At Edison Elementary School, also mostly black, about 60 percent of the 927 students showed up and 15 of the 75 teachers stayed home, officials said.

Blacks were harboring resentment with city politics this year even before the passing over of Greer for the school system's top job.

Miami also was the scene of several violent racial upheavals in the '70s and '80s involving police shootings of black men.

The black community is staging an economic boycott called when politicians refused to recognize or meet with Nelson Mandela during his June visit to Miami because he supported Fidel Castro. The Cuban president was among several people who supported the anti-apartheid leader during his imprisonment in South Africa.

''While Miami was not involved much in the movement in the '60s we are certainly sparking the movement of the '90s,'' Curry said.

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#90310u1609 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 40 points higher to

115 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	72.55	72.60	71.03	71.83	72.98
Mar	72.73	72.78	71.50	72.33	72.86
May	73.25	73.30	72.15	72.92	73.08
Jly	73.40	73.50	72.50	73.01	73.20
Oct	67.10	67.10	67.10	67.20	66.80
Dec	65.20	65.40	65.00	65.25	65.05
Mar	65.85	66.00	65.85	66.15	65.87

Estimated sales: 16,500 contracts
Open interest: 47,648 off 1,116
The World spot average: 68.45

-30- 738

#90310u1621 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

PALMER, AK (NOV. 6) UPI - An earthquake measuring 6.7 on the Richter Scale shook a relatively uninhabited area of Alaska's Aleutian Island chain Tuesday morning, officials said.

Paul Whitmore of the Tsunami Warning Center said the quake hit at 11:14 a.m. Alaska Standard Time. The epicenter was about 140 miles northwest of Atu, about 2,000 miles west of Anchorage.

Whitmore said a Coast Guard base and an Air Force Base are located in the vicinity of the quake, but no injuries or damage was reported.

The Tsunami Warning Center is named for the sometimes destructive ocean waves that can result from quakes.

-30- 814

#90310u1627 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 292.34, low 291.15, close 292.15, up 0.57.

There was a gain of 2 cents in the average share price.

Volume 9,140,000 shares, compared with 8, 830,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	19
New Lows	74
Advances	241
Declines	278

Unchanged 277
Total Issues 796

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(NOV. 6) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 170.21 off 1.28
ASE Market Value Index 292.15 up 0.57
Dow-Jones Industrial 2485.15 off 17.08

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#90310u1632 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 9,140,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,916,974,015
Bonds - $2,310,000
1990 to date - $627,433,000

-30- 327

#90310u1639 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (NOV. 6) UPI - The military arrested several organizers of a public transport strike Tuesday after rebels in the capital fired on army personnel from passing cars, union and armed forces officials said.

A spokesman for the Association of Salvadoran Bus Owners said members of the National Guard arrested three of the group's leaders early Tuesday as the men were organizing the bus strike.

''The worst thing is that they are being labeled as guerrillas,'' the spokesman said.

The arrests came after rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front conducted a series of drive-by assaults on military personnel stationed in the capital late Monday.

The armed forces said one soldier and two civilians were killed. But rebels told local radio stations they had wounded 11 soldiers.

Carlos Mendoza, of the Salvadoran Red Cross, said two civilians died in crossfire. ''The two young men were apparently passing in a bus when the shooting started,'' he said.

Union leaders have complained in recent weeks that the government is carrying out a campaign of repression by labeling anyone who protests the deteriorating

economic situation as an ally of rebels who have fought a decade of civil war against successive U.S.-backed governments.

Last week, bus operators, gasoline station owners and workers for several government agencies called temporary work stoppages. The bus owners, striking for the second time in two weeks, are demanding increased operating subsidies or a fare increase.

-30- 1735

#90310u1647 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Tuesday - $37,240,000

1990 to date - $9,451,791,000

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#90310u1660 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Tue	Mon	Tue	Mon
Argntn austral	.000192	.000193	5208.00	5194.00
Australia dlr	.7875	.7821	1.2698	1.2786
Austria schill	.0958	.0951	10.44	10.52
Belgium franc-c	.0327	.0325	30.55	30.76
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0092	.0092	108.64	106.50
Britain pound	1.9660	1.9755	.5086	.5062
Britain 1-mo	1.9561	1.9660	.5112	.5086
Britain 3-mo	1.9391	1.9490	.5157	.5131
Britain 6-mo	1.9192	1.9290	.5211	.5184
Canada dollar	.8610	.8627	1.1615	1.1592
Canada 1-mo	.8579	.8598	1.1656	1.1630
Canada 3-mo	.8520	.8540	1.1737	1.1710
Canada 6-mo	.8446	.8460	1.1840	1.1820
Chile peso-f	.003314	.003314	301.77	301.77
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001876	.001876	532.98	532.98
Denmark krne	.1758	.1751	5.6870	5.7115
Ecudr sucre-z	.001182	.001182	846.30	846.30
Egypt pound	.3640	.3640	2.7474	2.7474
Finlnd mrkka	.2815	.2810	3.5520	3.5590
France franc	.2008	.2007	4.9800	4.9815
France 1-mo	.2005	.2004	4.9877	4.9890

France 3-mo	.1998	.1997	5.0038	5.0082
France 6-mo	.1988	.1966	5.0300	5.0865
Greece drach	.006665	.006684	150.03	149.61
Hollnd guildr	.5947	.5972	1.6816	1.6746
HongKong dlr	.1283	.1284	7.7950	7.7893
India rupee	.0556	.0556	17.98	17.99
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000539	1855.00	1855.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7960	1.8058	0.5568	0.5538
Israel shekel	.5081	.5081	1.9680	1.9680
Italy lira	.000893	.000896	1120.25	1116.00
Japan yen	.007813	.007903	128.00	126.53
Japan 1-mo	.007813	.007909	127.99	126.44
Japan 3-mo	.007814	.007916	127.98	126.33
Japan 6-mo	.007918	.008033	126.30	124.48
Jordan dinar	1.5603	1.6532	.6409	.6049
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000344	.000344	2907.00	2903.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6124	.6126	1.6329	1.6324
Norway krne	.1726	.1716	5.7950	5.8270
Pakistn rupee	.0462	.0462	21.64	21.64
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	428,475	428,475
P'pnes peso-z	.0367	.0368	27.22	27.21
Portugl escud	.007679	.007691	130.22	130.02
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5870	.5889	1.7035	1.6980
S.Africa rand	.3973	.3986	2.5172	2.5086
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010735	.010715	93.15	93.33
Sweden krona	.1803	.1799	5.5470	5.5590
Switzrl franc	.8013	.8000	1.2480	1.2500
Switzrl 1-mo	.8010	.7996	1.2484	1.2506
Swirzrl 3-mo	.8004	.7990	1.2494	1.2516
Switzrl 6-mo	.7994	.7980	1.2509	1.2532
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0374	26.76	26.77
Turkey lira	.000367	.000366	2728.00	2735.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0204	.0204	49.00	49.00
Germany mark	.6702	.6734	1.4920	1.4850
Germany 1-mo	.6701	.6731	1.4924	1.4857
Germany 3-mo	.6690	.6720	1.4947	1.4881
Germany 6-mo	.6673	.6701	1.4986	1.4923
Yugosl dinar	.0979	.0982	10.21	10.18

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 6) UPI - Two of major players in this year's California air-fare war - American Airlines and USAir - have started cutting service in a move reflecting the problems of discounting, analysts said Tuesday.

"The service reductions are not surprising," said Lee Howard of Airline Economics, a trade consulting firm in Washington D.C. "With four or five airlines hacking away at one another, something was going to have to give."

American, of Dallas, recently eliminated service between San Francisco and John Wayne Airport in Orange County. However, it also recently opened a $21 million hub in San Jose, 45 miles south of San Francisco, and is operating 70 flights daily from there.

American spokeswoman Lise Olson said the carrier is not planning any significant service cutbacks. "California remains of critical importance to American," she said.

Washington D.C.-based USAir, which had been the market leader in California, has disclosed that it will reduce its daily intrastate California from 131 to 115 as of January 8, most of them on a Burbank-San Francisco shuttle. "It's not as if we're abandoning the California market," said spokeswoman Patricia Goldman.

Howard said that American and USAir are not likely to pull out of California at any time soon, but may eventually leave large parts of the market to the other major carriers in the state - United and Delta. "California is a very dense market, but you probably can't go on forever with that many carriers," Howard said.

Forecasts released by United this week show a sharp decline in daily departures from San Francisco by American and USAir between August 1988 and projected departures next month. For American, the figure will fall to 33 from 65, while USAir's will fall to 72 from 84.

Chicago-based United's daily San Francisco departures will reach 162 next month, up from 139 in August 1988, spokesman Joe Hopkins said. United also said American's projected daily California departures for next month will be 268, off from 331 in August 1988, while USAir's will be 325, off from 407. United's figure will be 413, up from 294 in August 1988.

The fare war along the routes between the San Francisco Bay Area and the Los

Angeles Basin erupted 18 months ago after several years of virtually no discounting. Regional carriers PSA, Western and AirCal were merged in 1986 and 1987 with USAir, Delta and American, respectively, and one-way fares often reached more than $150 for the one-hour 400-mile trip.

But discounter Southwest Airlines began cutting prices in the spring of 1989 by offering $29 one-way fares between Oakland and the suburb of Ontario, 40 miles east of Los Angeles. That prompted a round of fare-cutting, but prices that drifted upward again over last winter.

Southwest then sparked more discounting earlier this year when it added a $29 fare between Oakland and Burbank. American, United and USAir expanded service and began offering deep discounts; Delta, based in Atlanta, started up a shuttle service last June between San Francisco and Los Angeles.

"We feel we're doing quite well," said Vince Durocher, a spokesman for Delta. "To be honest, business is tight, but it's been encouraging to see the month-to-month gains on our San Francisco-Los Angeles flights." "We knew this was a tough market going in, but we're committed to staying in it," Durocher said.

All this has also meant a big increase in the number of north-south flights and claims of superior service by the carriers. United, which has a hub in San Francisco, began a half-hour shuttle earlier this year between San Francisco and Los Angeles and currently offers 54 flights daily between the two cities. Delta, with a hub and sleekly-designed passenger terminal in Los Angeles, has began an hourly San Francisco-Los Angeles shuttle last June.

An estimated 2.2 million passengers used the north-south route last year, making it only the sixth-largest in the nation - but the largest that does not include New York. Boston-New York was the most heavily traveled route, with 3.2 million passengers. Analysts have said that airlines have been willing to sacrifice low profits in California in return for a strong consumer recognition in the market.

"If you want to have a West Coast presence, San Francisco and Los Angeles are the keys," said Edmund Greenslet, an airlines consultant at ESG Aviation Services in Jacksonville, Fla.

Additionally, California is becoming more important for feeding the growing Far Eastern market, Greenslet said. Delta is building up its trans-Pacific service through some newly awarded routes, he noted.

"If you're going to make the maximum use of California, you need an international presence," Greenslet said. "That gives United and Delta a leg up on American and USAir." Delta's Durocher said that the carrier is planning to beef up international service in February, with new routes from Los Angeles to Tokyo and Nagoya.

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#90310u1681 11/06/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (NOV. 6) UPI - A federal judge has absolved Rock Hudson's insurance company of any liability in a $14.5-million judgment awarded by a jury to the late actor's lover, a lawyer said Tuesday.

U.S. District Court Judge A. Wallace Tashima, in issuing his ruling Monday, found that, because Hudson never told Marc Christian that he had AIDS, the actor's insurance coverage does not apply.

As a result, Aetna Casualty & Surety Co. will have to pay no part of the award.

Aetna also will not be responsible for the legal costs of the ongoing appeal of the February 1989 verdict against Hudson's estate, Aetna attorney Michael Leahy said.

In his ruling, Tashima said the insurance company was not liable for Hudson's behavior because the actor ''willfully'' engaged in ''high risk'' sex with Christian.

''Hudson was aware that he had AIDS and intentionally misrepresented his condition to Christian,'' Tashima said in his ruling.

''Assuming these facts to be true, a reasonable person in Hudson's position must have 'expected' that Christian would suffer either bodily injury or emotional distress as a result of Hudson's action,'' Tashima said.

Christian sued Hudson's estate after the actor's AIDS-related death in October 1985, claiming the actor lied to him by never telling him he had AIDS.

Hudson's $300,000 policy with Aetna provided for coverage for injuries related to slips and falls, assault and battery claims and even the transmission of disease such as herpes, providing that neither party knew of the possibility of infection beforehand, Leahy said.

''In essence, what the court said was that Hudson's actions were so extreme as to violate public policy and, by doing that, he forfeited his coverage rights '' Leahy said.

Leahy said the ruling, apparently the first of its kind, could have an impact on the lifestyle of people with AIDS nationwide.

''If you have a communicable disease, and you lie about it, you're going to pay for it yourself,'' Leahy said.

Attorneys for Hudson's estate had argued that the policy should pay for the

judgment because Hudson had no intention of injuring Christian.

The estate also is demanding that the judgment be paid by another of Hudson's insurers, the Chubb Group, with which the actor had a $2.1 million policy.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - The dollar recovered a bit in New York trading Tuesday from the steep dive it took the day before, with some dealers pointing to buying of the currency for the U.S. Treasury's quarterly refunding auctions.

Other traders said the rebound was technical, driven by profit-taking on ''short'' positions established before or during the dollar's decline Monday to a new postwar record closing low against the German mark.

Another possible factor was the assassination of Meir Kahane, a U.S.- born Israeli rabbi with strong anti-Arab views, in a New York hotel late Monday - a killing some believed could exacerbate the Persian Gulf situation.

Jack Griffin, an assistant vice president with Banque Indosuez, pointed to a ''technical move, because of the big selloff we've had.'' Players bought dollars to lock in profits made by selling the dollar short earlier, he said.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.4930 German marks, up from 1.4850 marks Monday, and 128.15 Japanese yen, up from 126.50.

Vicki Alicea, an assistant vice president with Manufacturers Hanover Bank in New York, said Japanese institutions ''were in buying dollars'' - apparently to take part in the Treasury's quarterly refunding auctions.

The Treasury sold $12.6 billion of 7 3/4 percent three-year notes Tuesday in the first round of a $34.25 billion quarterly refunding auction seen as a test of foreign interest in U.S. government securities.

The refunding's opening round went well, but analysts said sales later in the week of 10- and 30-year bonds were more critical.

Griffin didn't think the dollar's rise would last. ''People were content to take their profits, more than anything else, but it's definitely not a shift in direction,'' he said. ''I think we'll see a lower dollar from here.''

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2540 Swiss francs, up from 1.2500; 5.0080 French francs, up from 4.9810; and 1,121.50 Italian lire, up from 1,115.

The pound fell back to $1.9660 from $1.9735.

In Europe, the dollar closed lower in quiet trading on worries about the

outcome of U.S. election results and about possible cuts in American interest rates.

The dollar ''seems to have established a bottom, but it's still fundamentally weak over the fears of the interest rate coming down,'' said Tim Simpson, a currency dealer at Midland Bank.

In London, the pound firmed to close at $1.9750 against $1.9675 Monday. The dollar declined in Frankfurt, to 1.4858 German marks vs. 1.4942 Monday, and Zurich, to 1.2480 Swiss francs against 1.2615.

The U.S. unit also fell in Paris, Brussels and Milan to, respectively: 4.9990 French francs vs. 5.0135, 30.67 Belgian francs vs. 30.74, and 1,118.55 Italian lire vs. 1,122.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar initially fell against the yen but rebounded on orders to cover short positions and rumors of imminent hostilities in the Gulf to close at 127.20 yen vs. 127.35 yen.

In Zurich, gold closed higher at $379.50 an ounce vs. $377. In London, gold closed at $380 an ounce vs. Monday's $376.75.

Silver closed higher in Zurich at $4.20 an ounce from $4.15. Silver was also higher in London, at $4.23 an ounce vs. $4.18.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $386.50 an ounce, up from $379.25 Monday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $386.60 an ounce, up from $379.50.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.26 an ounce, up from $4.225. Comex silver closed at $4.257 an ounce, up from $4.227.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 6) UPI - The Soviet Union, beset by an economic crisis, ethnic conflict and other grave problems, prepared Tuesday for the Revolution Day holiday that has become a test of legitimacy for Communist rule.

The Communist Party, resisting calls to scrap formal celebration of the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution, was to stage the annual Nov. 7 military parade at Moscow's famed Red Square, but festivities were canceled or curtailed in more than half the country's 15 republics.

''The Soviet Union is preparing for the traditional celebrations to mark the anniversary of the Great Socialist Revolution against a backdrop of crippling food shortages, near economic collapse and civil strife,'' the official Tass news agency said.

In a traditional ceremony on the eve of the national holiday, President Mikhail Gorbachev received the Moscow-based ambassadors of foreign countries at the Grand Kremlin Palace's St. George Hall.

The revolution in which Communists ended five centuries of czarist rule, Gorbachev told the envoys, ''radically changed the destinies of tens, hundreds of millions of our compatriots for several generations and had an immense effect on the course of world development in the 20th century.''

''Its goals - justice, equality and peace - feed the policy of perestroika and the revolutionary renewal of our society,'' he said.

But radicals in Moscow planned several anti-government rallies in defiance of a Soviet Parliament ban on protest demonstrations, activists in Leningrad declared a ''day of mourning'' and democratic forces in other cities vowed to resist or ignore official recognition of Communist rule.

In some areas, such as the secession-seeking Baltic republics, the tables were turned as Soviet military commanders ignored decisions by nationalist-controlled parliaments ''canceling'' the Revolution Day parades and went ahead with their plans to celebrate the holiday.

Military officials showed more sensitivity toward public sentiment in the restive Transcaucasian region, moving the annual parade in the Georgian capital of Tbilisi to a garrison and canceling its altogether in the Azerbaijani capital of Baku.

The local legislature in the third Transcaucasian republic, Armenia, also canceled its military display.

Defense Minister Dmitri Yazov said last month the Soviet government would not force the sort of confrontation that disrupted Nov. 7 festivities in at least four republics last year, and that parades should be held at less conspicious sites in areas with strong public opposition.

In the Ukrainian capital of Kiev, about 1,000 students marched under a sea of flags to Victory Square, settled in for the night and said they would lie down in front of tanks Wednesday morning to prevent the military parade scheduled at the site.

Nationalists running the city government in Lvov, regional center of the radical western Ukraine, declared Nov. 7 a normal working day and said it would be henceforth replaced as a holiday by Nov. 1, the day in 1918 when the Ukraine gained brief independence.

''This is a day of mourning for the Ukraine,'' said Vladimir Krasnotyev, a 41-year-old welder in Kiev. ''We lost our independence. Our freedom was

trampled on.''

The Moldavian Parliament canceled the military parade in Kishinev and banned alternative demonstrations in recognition of last week's ethnic clashes between Russians and Moldavians in which seven people were said to have died.

Tass, in defiant acknowledgement of the radical forces that now run republics and cities across the country, said: ''Celebrations will most likely be held in all republics in the union, no matter what their present authorities think of the events that took place 73 years ago.''

Radical deputies in Moscow were to hold a ''procession of the cross,'' a Russian Orthodox ceremony normally held on Easter, through the capital and ending at the home of Andrei Sakharov, the late physicist, human rights champion and legislator.

Russian Orthodox priest Gleb Yakunin, who was to lead the religious march, said it would be staged in the name of ''the innocent victims through all the years of the party apparatus' reign.''

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(NOV. 6) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	224.25	225.60	221.80	221.80	224.25
Mar	....	....	....	223.95	226.40
Jun	....	....	....	226.25	228.70

Previous day volume: 165 contracts.
Open interest: 1,246 off 28

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	315.20	316.85	311.60	311.80	315.40
Mar	317.60	319.35	313.90	314.35	317.95
Jun	320.60	322.20	316.80	317.35	320.90
Sep	....	325.00	320.40	320.25	323.70

Today's estimated volume: 52,926 contracts.
Open interest: 156,390 off 1,722
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	171.45	172.50	169.50	169.85	171.85

Mar	172.50	173.60	171.95	171.05	173.05
Jun	174.60	174.75	174.60	172.30	174.30

Open interest: 5,307 up 67

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	525.25	529.50	522.00	522.30	526.00
Dec	527.20	531.25	524.25	524.45	528.00
Jan	533.20	533.50	526.25	526.45	530.00

Estimated volume 3,449 contracts.

Open interest: 7,666 up 111

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.36	up 0.13
10 Public Utils	91.55	up 0.39
10 Industrials	87.18	off 0.12

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - The New York City Partnership met Tuesday with senior Morgan Stanley & Co. executives to ask the financial firm to keep its headquarters in New York.

"Morgan Stanley is considering signing an option for more than 1.3 million square feet of headquarters space in Stamford, Conn.," the organization of business and civil leaders said after the session. "Should Morgan Stanley exercise this option, the company should relocate all or most of its 4,100 employees out of the city."

Morgan Stanley said that, although plans to relocate to new premises were being studied, no decision has been made and a final determination is nowhere near being made.

"Basically, our major lease expires in 1998 and, in preparation for that, we are studying all the parameters involved," said a Morgan Stanley spokeswoman. "We have no plans to leave before our lease expires in 1998."

Among the people attending the meeting were businessman David Rockefeller, Cardinal John O'Connor, former Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and Mayor David Dinkins.

"We believe a decision by Morgan Stanley to relocate all or many of its 4,100 employees out of the city would have a serious negative impact on Morgan

Stanley's competitive position," the partnership said.

"Such a relocation might encourage other firms to more seriously consider this option, producing a 'ripple effect' which would have negative impact on all sectors of the business community during this period of economic uncertainty."

The partnership said that if Morgan Stanley were to move out of New York, this would create a negative precedent because it would be the first major securities firm to leave the city. Morgan Stanley's offices are on Sixth Avenue in midtown Manhattan. The partnership's meeting with Morgan Stanley executives came as New York City won a crucial battle in its bid to remain the nation's financial capital.

The chairmen of the Coffee, Sugar & Cocoa Exchange, the Commodity Exchange Inc., the New York Cotton Exchange and the New York Mercantile Exchange announced they would recommend moving to a new office tower to be built two blocks north of the World Trade Center, not far from the heart of Manhattan's financial district, instead of a competing site across the Hudson River in New Jersey.

"Today's decision by the four exchanges to remain in New York reaffirms our preeminence as the commercial and financial capital of the world," Dinkins said following the announcement.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 6) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Tuesday - 8,085,000

1990 to date - 2,132,530,000

The market closed lower.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Apple Computer	(AAPL)	53,098,968	33 1/2	up 1/4
Micrsoft Corp	(MSFT)	52,826,344	64 1/4	off 1 3/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	47,495,740	36 1/8	off 1/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	39,943,888	27 7/8	up 7/8
Sun Micro Sys	(SUNW)	38,301,208	18 3/8	up 5/8
Wholesale Club	(WHLS)	32,386,482	19 3/4	up 4
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	27,438,278	31 3/8	off 1/2
US Trust	(USTC)	25,195,578	28 3/4	off 1

Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	21,369,420	48 3/4	up	1/4
Tele Comm A	(TCOM)	21,041,798	10 3/8	up	1/8

Composite Index 149.53 off 0.07

NMS volume 87,363,904 shares.

Advances	745
Declines	747
Unchanged	1,292
Total	2,784

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	36	126	9
New lows	104	244	217

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	691	39,326,400
Declines	785	80,526,500
Unchanged	496	21,277,100
Total	1,972	141,130,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Brown Ferris	4,400,400	24 1/4	off	6
Panhandle	3,280,000	10 7/8	up	3/8
Fed Nat Mtge	2,058,700	30	off	1/8
Waste Managmt	2,031,700	33	off	2
Philip Morris	1,919,500	48 3/4	off	1/4
Alcan Alum	1,725,200	17 3/4	off	5/8
Unisys Corp	1,658,100	2 3/4	off	1/8
IBM Corp	1,593,500	107 7/8	unch	
Circuit City	1,538,400	11 3/8	off	2 7/8
Citicorp	1,461,300	11 1/2	off	7/8
Ryder Systems	1,262,100	12 7/8	unch	
Toys R Us	1,245,600	22 1/4	off	1/2
Fed Nat Mtge wt	1,191,100	15 1/4	off	1/8
Texas Util	1,160,400	38	off	5/8
Chase Manhattan	1,136,000	10	off	3/4

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Energy Service	303,900	2 5/8	unch	
Amdahl Corp	298,700	11 5/8	off	1/8
Contl Air Hldgs	259,700	2 3/4	unch	
Fruit of Loom	234,600	7	up	1/4
BAT Industries	227,200	11 1/8	unch	
Eksportfinan wt	222,900	9 3/8	up	1
Denmark King wt	211,200	19 1/8	up	1 1/2
Pall Corp	204,300	28 1/2	off	1/4
New York TimesA	203,400	17 1/2	off	1/4
Hasbro Inc	196,200	13 3/8	off	1/8

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CHICAGO (NOV. 6) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.45 1/2-2.55 1/2 up 1 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.65 3/4- 5.77 3/4 off 6 3/4 to 5 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.18 1/4-2.30 1/4 off 1/2 to 1 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.32 1/4-2.33 3/4 off 1 1/2 to unchanged.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	292.15	up	0.57
High Technology	293.20	up	0.28
Capital Goods	305.74	up	1.32
Consumer Goods	362.53	up	1.55
Service	633.83	up	6.00
Retail	908.05	up	5.16
Financial	343.89	up	1.76
Natural Resources	224.71	off	0.75
Housing-Const-Land	221.67	off	5.84

There was a gain of 2 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS		
New England	373.21	up 2.91
Mid Atlantic	384.06	off 0.11
No Central	375.14	up 6.99
So Atlantic	788.76	up 0.13
So Central	293.24	up 0.64
Mountain	107.13	off 0.36
Pacific	324.92	up 0.22
Foreign	222.01	off 0.50

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(NOV. 6) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.87	7.96	8.64
91-day Treasury bills	7.31	7.30	7.75
182-day Treasury bills	7.42	7.39	7.59
1-year Treasury bills	7.37	7.33	7.34
3-year Treasury notes	7.80	7.84	7.91
7-year Treasury notes	8.37	8.35	7.87
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.64	8.63	7.88
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.15	9.20	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.75	9.75	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.11	9.07	8.94
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.30	9.40	8.88
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.44	9.41	9.13
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.42	9.40	9.11

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	342.79	340.17	340.53	off 0.23

Industrial	366.80	363.62	363.95	up 0.03
Finance	337.34	335.71	335.76	off 0.08
Insurance	405.56	401.86	402.78	up 0.94
Utility	466.43	460.88	462.82	off 1.38
Bank	241.81	239.97	241.17	up 0.34
Transport	386.53	380.43	382.74	off 4.45

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	149.53 off 0.07
Industrial Index	144.31 up 0.05
NASDAQ-100 Index	360.52 off 0.40
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.74 off 0.01
Volume	87,363,904 shares
Advances	745
Declines	747
Unchanged	1,292
Total	2,784

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	27.80-27.90	27.20-27.30
North Sea Brent	33.20-33.25	32.60-32.70
West Texas Intermed	32.60-32.65	31.90-31.95
Light Louisiana Sweet	33.60-33.65	32.85-32.95
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	95.25-95.75	97.00-97.50
No. 2 Heating oil	84.90-85.15	82.45-82.95
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	88.75-89.25	88.00-88.25
No. 2 Heating oil	83.30-83.40	81.55-81.70

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - Attorney General Dick Thornburgh said Monday the Justice Department's record of prosecuting more than 500 major S&L scofflaws in the past two years ''speaks for itself,'' but a review of the cases turned up some relatively small-time offenders.

Thornburgh said that since Oct. 1, 1988, the Justice Department has obtained 328 indictments charging 519 defendants with financial institution fraud. Of those indicted, Thornburgh said 355 have been convicted and 206 have been given prison sentences, while 102 are awaiting sentencing.

The defendants caused an estimated loss to the thrifts of $3.5 billion, and those convicted have been hit with $4.5 million in fines have been ordered to pay $211 million in restitution.

Estimates of the cost to taxpayers of the S&L crisis range from $150 billion to $500 billion.

Thornburgh said the new figures show his department is committed to identifying and prosecuting those responsible for looting America's S& L's.

''Our 96 percent conviction rate in major savings and loan fraud cases speaks for itself,'' he said. ''By utilizing the full scope of our enforcement tools ... the Justice Department can continue its pursuit of white-collar crime in the nation's thrift industry.''

But a United Press International examination of the cases included in the Justice Department's list of ''major'' prosecutions shows that it includes several relatively small-time offenders.

The Justice Department's list also includes some prosecutions of borrowers and bank tellers, hardly the ''kingpins'' often portrayed as the villians in the biggest financial catastrophe since the Great Depression. In addition, a few of the prosecutions do not appear to meet the department's own requirements for a major financial institution fraud.

For example, the Justice Department labeled as ''major'' the prosecution of Renato F. Duarte, 27, a financial service representative at Citicorp savings in Chicago. He was indicted April 26 of embezzling $119,000 through the use of unauthorized automatic teller cards, although the estimated loss was put at only $3,000.

And then there's Edgar A. Vales, a 59-year-old construction contractor. He was indicted Aug. 10 for lying about outstanding obligations to qualify for a $43,000 loan from Liberty Federal of New Port Richey, Fla.

Or how about Sherilane Sears, a 29-year-old branch manager at First Federal Savings Bank in Indianopolis, Ind. She also used ATM machines to withdraw $27,000 from dormant customer accounts. Indicted on Aug. 16, 1989, she was

sentenced to five years probation and ordered to pay $7, 500 in restitution.

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''There seems to be a little bit of an overstatement there,'' said one Senate banking official familiar with the Justice Department's list. ''They may have padded the numbers.''

Justice Department spokesman Doug Tillett said even if a few of the cases appear not to be major, the department's overall record is a good one.

''It's possible that some of these lower players were included with the bigger cases,'' Tillet said. ''I'm not saying we're error-proof.''

But, he said, the list of prosecutions represent real cases and real convictions. ''Nobody's making this stuff up.''

Early on in the S&L scandal some in Congress accused the Justice Department of being slow to respond, and the department found itself without comprehensive information to refute the charges. A Justice Department official conceded the department had to scramble to come up with the figures on prosecutions to answer congressional critics.

Tillett said questions about a relatively few cases on the prosecution list amounts to ''a tempest in a teapot.''

Speaking Monday to a Washington meeting of 172 prosecutors and investigators, Thornburgh also announced an increase in the department's budget for collaring S&L cheats.

''With the additional $160 million in funding provided by the Congress, the department will be able to add even more investigators and prosecutors to our ranks,'' Thornburgh said.

''Our task is to ensure that those who have cheated our financial institutions and left the American taxpayer holding the bag not escape their just punishment.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesdayas supplied by NASD.

Volume	110,727,800
Advances	863

Declines	928
Unchanged	2,428
Total	4,219

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(NOV. 6) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	19
New lows	74

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	241	3,454,700
Declines	278	3,124,000
Unchanged	277	2,561,300
Total	796	9,140,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	171.47	170.21	170.21	off 1.28
Industrial	211.94	210.25	210.25	off 1.71
Transport	131.73	131.08	131.22	off 0.49
Utility	90.35	89.94	89.94	off 0.50
Finance	111.00	110.28	110.28	off 0.72

Equivalent to a loss of 22 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 141,130,000 shares.

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for ''major'' cases. The department defines major cases as falling into one of three categories: The amount of fraud or loss was $100,000 or more; the scheme involved several borrowers from the same institution; or the offender was an officer, director, owner or shareholder of the S&L.

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-Sharon Newbill, 54, vice president of First City Federal Savings and Loan, was indicted Nov. 22, 1988, for embezzling $19,000 from the Lucedale, Miss., thrift and was sentenced to three years probation.

-Rebecca Luker, 50, a real estate agent, was indicted Nov. 16, 1989, for falsifying a loan application involving New Mexico Federal Savings and Loan of Albuquerque, N.M. Although the amount of fraud was alleged to be $120,000, the actual amount of loss was determined to be $10,000. She was sentenced to four years probation.

-Vladimir Kushner, 38, a meat and poultry wholesaler, was indicted Dec. 20, 1989, for forging checks of a neighbor. The alleged fraud totaled $112,000 against American Savings Bank and Bowerey Bank for Savings, both of New York City, but the actual loss was put at $12,000.

-Robert McMillan, branch manager at First Federal Savings and Loan of Pittsburgh, was indicted Sept. 27, 1989, for using creating a fictitious account. The loss was put at $46,000.

-Laura Stawinski, 32, accounting supervisor at Spring Hill Savings and Loan of Pittsburgh, was indicted May 23 for skimming $91,475 from customer accounts, although she returned the money before she was indicted. She received three years probation.

-Robert Candee, 38, an entrepreneur, was indicted Jan. 19, 1989, for writing $470,000 in checks on closed accounts. The estimated loss was $72,000. He was sentenced to a year in prison and three years probation.

-James Holbrook, a director of Summit Savings Association of Dallas, was indicted July 5 for taking $37,000 out of a customer's account to make a payment on a corporate jet leased by Summit's owner.

-James Meriwether, 43, and James Semrad, 42, were indicted Aug. 1, 1989, for a scheme to defraud Republic Savings and Loan Associaton of Milwaukee, Wis., of $28,000 each. The total estimated loss to Republic was $25,000. Semrad was given six months in prison, and Meriwether received six months probation.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - In Georgia, Sen. Sam Nunn, a Democrat, spent nearly $1.2 million in a re-election campaign featuring no opponent.

Not surprisingly, Nunn won re-election to a fourth term Tuesday.

Nunn's apparent strategy of spending freely to ward off potential future challengers also was employed by Sen. John Warner, R-Va., who spent $1 million and Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., who spent $536,000.

In fact, the 1990 elections may be remembered not only for a handful of tough Senate and gubernatorial contests, but the extraordinary number of safe incumbents who spent millions of dollars in non-competitive races.

While only 11 senators faced serious challenges among the 33 Senate seats up for grabs Tuesday, incumbents outspent challengers by a 3-to-1 ratio, according to the most recent Federal Election Commission data.

The FEC figures, reported Tuesday by Common Cause, a citizens lobbying group, showed that Senate incumbents spent $107.7 million from from January 1985 through Oct. 17, while challengers spent $36.1 million.

In the House, the disparity was even wider. While only about a dozen House incumbents faced serious challenges, the 406 lawmakers seeking re- election spent $112.8 million since January 1989. The 331 challengers spent $24.3 million, FEC figures showed.

The huge gap was fueled by the increasing amount of money that incumbents are raising and the decreasing amount that challengers are able to collect.

During this election cycle, House incumbents have raised an average $17,400, or 5 percent more than in 1988, while challengers received $7, 200 or 8 percent less than in 1988, the Common Cause report said.

In the Senate, incumbents raised an average $211,500 more than in 1988, or 5 percent, while challengers raised an average $105,700 less in the same year, or 7 percent.

Incumbents facing only token opposition, such as Sen. Phil Gramm, R- Texas, raised an enormous amount of money during this election cycle.

Gramm collected $15.3 million, more than any Senate contestant, in a race against Democratic challenger Hugh Parmer, who managed to raise only $1.6 million.

In the House, Rep. Robert Dornan, R-Calif., spent $1.2 million, more than any of his colleagues. His opponent raised and spent less than $5, 000.

Meanwhile, political action committee contributions continue to account for a large percentage of total receipts.

House candidates collected $86.8 million of their total $207.6 million from PACs, while Senate candidates collected $39.8 million of their total $183 million from PACs.

In the House, 32 candidates received more than $350,000 each from PACs, while 34 Senate candidates raised in excess of $600,000 each from the groups.

Many of the closest Senate races featured uneven amounts of money spent.

Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., spent $14.8 million in a tough battle against challenger Harvey Gantt, who spent only $4.5 million through Oct. 17.

But in Iowa, the site of another close race, incumbent Sen. Tom Harkin, a Democrat, spent $4.9 million, while Republican challenger and Rep. Tom Tauke, spent $4.3 million.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	368.44	217.49	143.37	20.92	314.59
Opening	366.78	216.17	142.67	20.77	313.09
11 a.m.	367.74	216.98	142.73	20.82	313.81
Noon	368.27	217.19	142.95	20.88	314.30
1 p.m.	367.45	216.64	142.78	20.84	313.64
2 p.m.	366.53	216.37	142.44	20.76	312.85
3 p.m.	365.64	215.96	142.23	20.70	312.12
Close	364.97	216.25	142.14	20.67	311.62
Change	off 3.47	off 1.24	off 1.23	off 0.25	off 2.97

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The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 11.39 Monday, lost 17.08 to close at 2485.15.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 1.28 to 170.21 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 2.97 to 311.62. The price of an average share lost 22 cents.

Declines led advances 769-699 among the 1,972 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume was 141,130,000 shares, compared with 147,510,000 traded Monday.

The Dow industrials advanced almost 60 points in trading Thursday, Friday and Monday, and analysts said some traders and investors hungry for profits from the market's recent decline saw an opportunity to take them.

Analysts have said they expect to see investors capitalizing on rallies by selling issues, with the economy faltering and the crisis in the Middle East still unsettled.

"We had some profit taking," said Michael Metz, market strategist at

Oppenheimer & Co. "A lot of players haven't seen gains in the last month or so."

Metz also said the market's late slide was due to program selling, but he nevertheless was upbeat about the market's performance Tuesday from a technical standpoint. "Considering the rise we had late last week and this week, it was a pretty good showing," said Metz.

Tuesday's weakness also came against the backdrop of a rise in oil prices, with December crude oil futures closing up 67 cents at $32.63 a barrel. But Metz dismissed the rise as having much effect on stocks, saying fundamental factors of supply and demand seem to point to lower oil prices.

"Frankly, I think oil prices have diminished as a significant factor in the market," he said. "The supply-demand situation suggests lower oil prices, not higher."

Similarly, Tuesday's auction of three-year government notes, the first leg of the Treasury's quarterly refunding, did not seem to have much effect on the market.

Yields declined on the notes to an average of 7.78 percent at the start of the government's quarterly refunding, the lowest since a 7.77 percent yield Nov. 9 1989. "The real test will be how the long bond is received in the auction Thursday," said Metz.

On the trading floor, Browning-Ferris was the most active issue, plunging six to 24 1/4 after reporting a sharp drop in fiscal fourth-quarter earnings because of a special charge related to the settlement of litigation.

Panhandle Eastern followed, up 3/8 to 10 7/8. Fannie Mae was third, off 1/8 to 30.

Waste Management was also active, sinking two to 33. The company joined Browning-Ferris Monday in settling an antitrust lawsuit alleging price-fixing in the waste container business.

Alcan Aluminum was heavily traded as well, off 5/8 to 17 3/4. The company, along with an Australian company, is studying the feasibility of setting up a major alumina plant in Australia.

Elsewhere, Circuit City Stores plunged 2 7/8 to 11 3/8 in heavy trading after reporting a seven percent decrease in comparable-store sales for October. The company said it was disappointed by the results, which the chain said reflected consumer uncertainty about the economic environment.

Among the blue chips, International Paper gained 1/2 to 48 after agreeing to acquire Cookson Group's graphics business for about $215 million. AT&T lost

5/8 to 34 5/8, IBM was unchanged at 107 7/8, Eastman Kodak lost 1 1/8 to 39 3/8, and Coca-Cola lost 5/8 to 44 3/4.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 175,626,560 shares, down from 185,399,280 shares traded Monday.

Prices were mixed in light trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index rose 0.57 to 292.15. Declines led advances 276-243 among the 798 issues traded. The price of an average share rose two cents. Composite volume was 10,941,800 shares vs. 10,663,000 traded Monday. Energy Service led the Amex issues, unchanged at 2 5/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 0.23 to 340.53.

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The non-aligned countries called their move a ''peace initiative'' and proposed to get the whole United Nations involved in discussing the plan.

''The timing of this initiative is considered crucial as there is now rather feverish talk of the war option appearing in the media,'' they said in a letter inviting ambassadors from 17 countries to debate the plan Tuesday at the Malaysian mission to the United Nations.

The non-aligned - Malaysia, Yemen, Cuba and Colombia - said the objective of their plan is to get Iraq to comply with the 10 Security Council resolutions adopted since the Iraqi Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''A diplomatic initiative of this kind is needed to avert the outbreak of war '' they said.

The peace initiative is contained in a draft resolution to be discussed by the diplomats. It asked Iraq to comply with Security Council resolutions demanding the withdrawal of the more than 400,000 Iraqi troops from Kuwait, restoration of Kuwaiti sovereignty and release all hostages.

The government of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein rejected all those U.N. demands. The council retaliated by imposing a worldwide trade and arms embargo on Iraq and ordered air and naval blockade to enforce the sanctions.

The 15-nation Security Council has no immediate plan for another move against Iraq while U.S. Secretary of State James Baker was touring Persian Gulf countries to gain support for a ''new phase'' in the gulf crisis with all the military options remaining open.

The non-aligned countries proposed the council send a U.N. peacekeeping force made up of contingents from Arab countries ''to maintain law and order in Kuwait as Iraqi forces withdraw and during the re-establishment of the government of Kuwait and restoration of its effective authority.''

They asked Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to draw up specifics for setting up the force.

They proposed that all sanctions against Iraq ''shall immediately be lifted, including trade and financial transactions, and unfreezing of assets'' upon a formal certification by the council that Iraq ''has complied'' with demands to withdraw, restore Kuwait sovereignty and release thousands of hostages, some of whom used as human shields against possible attacks by the multinational force.

They said once Iraq has complied with the three demands, ''there would not be any foreign intervention, military or otherwise, against Kuwait and Iraq.'' And the council may consider to station U.N. military observers in both countries.

They called on Perez de Cuellar to mediate peace negotiations, the International Court of Justice to consider claims for war compensations against Iraq and asked Iraq, Kuwait and other gulf countries to make democratic reforms in their countries.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	9.15	9.81
Anchor Fund Inv	14.22	15.09
Delaware Mutual	16.53	17.73
Fidelity Fund	15.98	15.98
Investor Mutual	10.65	11.21
Investor Stocks	17.72	18.65
Investor Select	8.33	8.77
IDS Equity Plus	8.59	9.05
MFS Growth Stk	7.77	8.38
Nicholas Income	3.03	3.03
Utd Accumulated	5.98	6.54
United Income	16.01	17.50
Vang Wellington	15.75	15.75

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Dave Justice, the Atlanta Braves right fielder who hit 28 home runs this season, Monday was named National League Rookie of the Year Award by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

Justice won by a 2-to-1 margin and became the third Atlanta player to capture the award. He received 23 of the 24 first-place votes cast by a panel composed of two writers from each NL city.

Montreal second baseman Delino DeShields received the other first- place vote and finished second. Justice had 118 points, DeShields 60 points and Cincinnati first baseman Hal Morris 13.

Rounding out the voting were San Francisco reliever John Burkett (12 points), Chicago pitcher Mike Harkey (7), St. Louis catcher Todd Zeile (4) and Montreal outfielders Marquis Grissom and Larry Walker (1 apiece).

Justice broke his cheek during spring training but went on to hit .282 with 78 RBI in 127 games. He belted 23 homers after the All-Star break. Reds Manager Lou Piniella likened his swing to Ted Williams'.

After recovering from his facial injury, Justice reported to Richmond of the International League for rehabilitation. The Braves recalled him May 16 to replace first baseman Nick Esasky, who was suffering from vertigo. Justice had played only one game at first in Triple-A ball before his promotion.

Justice was hitting .243 with 8 homers and 28 RBI in 68 games when the Braves traded Dale Murphy to Philadelphia Aug. 4. Justice returned to his natural right field position after the deal.

In August, Justice hit .301 with 11 homers and 29 RBI in 30 games. It was the biggest burst by a rookie since Oakland's Mark McGwire hit 11 homers in 15 games in May 1987.

On Aug. 7, he became the first Brave to hit two homers in two consecutive games.

Other Braves to win rookie honors were Earl Williams in 1971 and Bob Horner in 1978.

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#90310u1899 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - Attorney General Dick Thornburgh said Monday the Justice Department's record of prosecuting more than 500 thrift employees in the past two years ''speaks for itself,'' but a review of the cases turned up some relatively small-time offenders.

Thornburgh said that since Oct. 1, 1988, the Justice Department has obtained 328 indictments charging 519 defendants with financial institution fraud. Of those indicted, Thornburgh said 355 have been convicted and 206 have been given prison sentences, while 102 are awaiting sentencing.

The defendants caused an estimated loss to the thrifts of $3.5 billion, and those convicted have been hit with $4.5 million in fines and have been ordered to pay $211 million in restitution.

Estimates of the cost to taxpayers of the S&L crisis range from $150 billion to $500 billion.

Thornburgh said the new figures show his department is committed to identifying and prosecuting those responsible for looting America's thrifts.

''Our 96 percent conviction rate in major savings and loan fraud cases speaks for itself,'' he said. ''By utilizing the full scope of our enforcement tools ... the Justice Department can continue its pursuit of white-collar crime in the nation's thrift industry.''

But a United Press International examination of the cases included in the Justice Department's list of ''major'' prosecutions shows that it includes several relatively small-time offenders.

The agency's list also includes some prosecutions of borrowers and bank tellers, hardly the ''kingpins'' often portrayed as the villians in the biggest financial catastrophe since the Great Depression. In addition, a few of the prosecutions do not appear to meet the department's own requirements for a major financial institution fraud.

For example, the Justice Department labeled as ''major'' the prosecution of Renato F. Duarte, 27, a financial service representative at Citicorp Savings in Chicago. He was indicted April 26 of embezzling $119,000 through the use of unauthorized automatic teller cards, although the estimated loss was put at only $3,000.

Also on the Justice Department list is Leonard Villines, 39, a secretary-treasurer at Madisonville Building & Loan Association, Madisonville, Ky. He was indicted April 19 for using a $15,000 certificate of deposit as loan collateral twice. The amount of fraud alleged was $13,500.

Justice Department spokesman Doug Tillett that said even if a few of the cases appear not to be major, the department's overall record is a good one.

''It's possible that some of these lower players were included with the bigger cases,'' Tillet said. ''I'm not saying we're error-proof.''

But, he said, the list of prosecutions represent real cases and real convictions: ''Nobody's making this stuff up.''

Early on in the S&L scandal, some in Congress accused the Justice Department of being slow to respond, and the department found itself without comprehensive information to refute the charges. A Justice Department official conceded the department had to scramble to come up with the figures on prosecutions to answer congressional critics.

Tillett said questions about a relatively few cases on the prosecution list amounts to ''a tempest in a teapot.''

Speaking Monday to a Washington meeting of 172 prosecutors and investigators, Thornburgh also announced an increase in the department's budget for collaring S&L cheats.

''With the additional $160 million in funding provided by the Congress, the department will be able to add even more investigators and prosecutors to our ranks,'' Thornburgh said.

''Our task is to ensure that those who have cheated our financial institutions and left the American taxpayer holding the bag not escape their just punishment.''

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(NOV. 6) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record

Increased				
Emerson Electric Co	Q	.33	12-10	11-16
Extra				
Cdn Genl Invest	..	.25	12-15	11-30
Distribution				
Gould Investors LP	..	.25	1-2	12-10
Niagara Shares Corp	..	1.30	12-27	11-20
Plum Creek Timber	Q	.80	11-29	11-16
Source Capital Inc	Q	.90	12-15	11-23
Usual				
Cincinnati Milacron	Q	.18	12-12	11-23
Colonial BancGroup A	..	.15	11-13	11-6
Colonial BancGroup B	..	.05	11-13	11-6
Cooper Industries Inc	Q	.27	1-2	12-10
DPL Inc	Q	.39	12-1	11-20
Diamond Shamrock Inc	Q	.12	12-7	11-20
Eastern Bancorp Inc	..	.14	11-28	11-16
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	Q	.45	12-15	11-16
Hershey Foods Corp	Q	.22 1/2	12-14	11-26
Hershey Foods Corp B	Q	.20 1/4	12-14	11-26
Kansas City Pwr & Lt	Q	.67	12-20	11-29
Melamine Chemicals	Q	.06	11-30	11-19
Teleflex Inc	Q	.13 1/2	12-14	11-23
Templeton Global IFI	M	.07 1/2	11-30	11-16
Templeton Global Util	M	.06	11-30	11-16
Tribune Co	Q	.24	12-13	11-29

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - The nation's crude oil supplies rose last week for the first time in two months as imports surged by 800,000 barrels a day, the American Petroleum Institute reported Tuesday.

For the week ended Nov. 2, the API weekly industry survey found crude inventories rose 5 million barrels to 344.5 million barrels from 339.5 million in the prior week and stood above year-ago levels of 344.4 million barrels.

Crude supplies had fallen seven consecutive weeks as a result of Middle East imports drying up because of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the U.N. embargo on any oil shipments from the two nations.

Only recently has greater output from Saudi Arabia and other nations that are

part of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries begun to make up for 4.2 million barrels of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude lost to world markets.

Daily crude oil imports last week shot up to 5.9 million barrels from 5.1 million in the previous week and approached year-ago imports of 6.0 million barrels a day, API said.

Inventories of distillate - used for home-heating oil and diesel fuel - stayed virtually level at 138.2 million barrels, compared with 138.1 million a week earlier, but remained well above year-ago levels of 120.6 million barrels.

Daily distillate production was steady at the previous week's 2.9 million barrels. Year-ago output was 3.0 million barrels daily.

Distillate imports fell to 240,000 barrels a day from 322,000 a day in the previous week but were near year-ago daily imports of 239,000 barrels.

Gasoline supplies edged up to 221.2 million barrels from 220.4 million in the prior week but were slightly less than year-ago levels of 222.8 million barrels.

Stocks of unleaded gasoline, which accounts for 90 percent of the domestic market, also edged up to 171.6 million barrels from 171.3 million barrels a week earlier and remained significantly higher than year-ago levels of 164.9 million barrels.

Daily gasoline production held steady at 6.8 million barrels, the same level as in the previous week but less than year-ago output of 6.9 million barrels.

Gasoline imports nosedived to 195,000 barrels a day from 386,000 in the previous week and were well below year-ago imports of 554,000 a day.

U.S. refineries operated at 84.5 percent of capacity last week, compared with 82.5 percent a week earlier and 87.1 percent a year ago.

Daily imports of all refined products slipped to 1.6 million barrels from 1.7 million in the preceding week and were below year-ago imports of 2.3 million.

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#90310u1921 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Heavyweight champion Evander Holyfield will make his first title defense against George Foreman April 19 or 26 at Atlantic City, N.J., Trump Plaza and Main Events Promotions announced Tuesday.

Sources close to the promotion said the site fee between $10 million and $12 million topped the offer of Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, Nev. Trump would have the first option on the winner's defense against top challenger Mike Tyson,

with the two-fight package worth about $25 million.

''Trump made the best deal,'' promoter Dan Duva said.

Holyfield, who won the title from James ''Buster'' Douglas Oct. 25, last week asked boxing's three governing organizations to sanction the optional defense against Foreman.

Bob Lee, president of the International Boxing Federation, said Tuesday he will ask his executive committee to consider the request. The IBF, World Boxing Association and World Boxing Council had asked on behalf of top challenger Mike Tyson that Holyfield make his first mandatory defense within 120 days of winning the title instead of within a year.

Holyfield had signed to fight Foreman, 42, for $20 million before he beat Douglas, and the IBF and WBA said they would not stand in his way. They said they granted Tyson's request for a title shot before Foreman was rated.

Douglas was a bloated 246 pounds for his defense against Holyfield. Lee called the disciplined new champion a ''ray of sunshine'' and stressed the organizations should not strip him of his title for fighting Foreman instead of Tyson. The WBC has stood by threats to strip Holyfield.

Holyfield is 25-0 with 21 knockouts and Foreman, who held the heavyweight title in 1973-74, is 69-2 with 65 knockouts.

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#90310u1930 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 6) UPI - Stock in MCA Inc. rose Tuesday for the fourth straight day on continued speculation that its pending deal with Matshushita Electric Industrial Co. was likely to go through soon.

MCA closed up $1.625 a share at $63.375 Monday on the New York Stock Exchange. It had jumped $3 Monday after gaining $1.125 a share both on Thursday and Friday of last week.

''There is clearly a renewed expectation in the last few days that the deal is going through,'' said Steven Hill, an entertainment analyst with Sutro & Co. of San Francisco.

MCA has been in buyout talks with Matsushita executives for more than a month. Hill and other analysts have believed the deal is likley to occur eventually because of MCA's need to stay competitive on a world- wide basis.

The stock has been knocked down several times in recent weeks on reports that the talks had been suspended or that Matsushita did not want to pay more than $65 a share, despite forecasts that MCA's value is about $85 a share.

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#90310u1937 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

AGANA, Guam (NOV. 6) UPI - Republican Joseph F. Ada Tuesday became the first governor of Guam to be re-elected to a second consecutive term, defeating the widow of the late Gov. Richard J. Bordallo.

Ada garnered 55 percent of the votes in unofficial returns, defeating Democratic Senator Madeleine Bordallo, whose husband served two non-consecutive terms from 1975 to 1978 and from 1983 to 1986.

Ricardo Bordallo shot himself to death Jan. 31, just hours before he was to board a plane for California to start serving a four-year federal prison sentence.

He was convicted in 1987 of bribery and extortion in connection with favors he had performed for a group of Japanese businessmen who had contributed $60,000 to his campaign.

Ada defeated Ricardo by nearly the same margin as the defeat over his widow, who currently is a senator in the Guam Legislature.

Earlier this year, Ada signed into law a measure that contained the most restrictive abortion curbs in the United States. The law banned all abortions except in cases where pregnancy threatened the women's life.

The Democrats retained their control of the 21-seat unicameral legislature in Tuesday's elections by a narrow 11-10 margin. The Democrats had a 13-8 majority before the election.

Incumbent Republican congressional Delegate Ben Blaz retained his seat in congress for a fourth term, in a landslide victory over Democratic challenger Ben Pangilinan.

There is no cap on the number of terms for the delegate or members of the legislature, but the governor may serve a maximum of two consecutive terms.

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#90310u1958 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

ANAHEIM, Calif. (NOV. 6) UPI - Running back Curt Warner, who rushed for only 139 yards in limited duty with the Rams this season, was waived Tuesday by Los Angeles.

Warner, 29, spent his first seven seasons with the Seattle Seahawks before becoming a Plan B free agent and signing a contract reportedly worth $700,000 with the Rams last summer. He started just two games with Los Angeles and

carried only 49 times before losing his job to Cleveland Gary.

For his career, the former Penn State star gained 6,844 yards on 1, 698 carries with 56 touchdowns. He also caught 193 passes for 1,467 yards and seven touchdowns.

In other roster moves, the Rams activated Clifford Hicks from the physically unable to perform list and placed fellow cornerback Mickey Sutton on injured reserve.

Hicks injured his right knee in a game against New Orleans Nov. 26, 1989, and re-injured the same knee against New England in last year's regular-season finale. He underwent knee surgery in the offseason to repair his anterior cruciate ligament.

Sutton injured his left knee in last week's 17-13 victory over the Houston Oilers.

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#90310u1959 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 6) UPI - Four straight quarters of losses and a battered stock price has made Businessland Inc., one of the nation's largest computer retailers, ripe for a takeover, analysts said Tuesday.

Businessland, with sales of $1.35 billion in its last fiscal year, has been badly hurt by a combination of management snafus, slowing U.S. computer sales, steep price discounting in the computer industry, and a weakening economy, analysts said.

The San Jose, Calif.-based company surprised Wall Street with a $19.9 million first-quarter loss Monday. Its stock price has plunged from a 52-week high of $11.875 to $1.50 a share at the close Tuesday. At that price, the company's market value is just $44.8 million.

Analysts say a number of major computer manufacturers and resellers have taken a hard look at buying Businessland, which despite its problems remains one of the dominant sellers of personal computers to Fortune 1000 companies.

''To my knowledge, a number of people have actually looked at it, so there is some likelihood that it may be a takeover candidate,'' said Bruce Lupatkin, a technology analyst with Hambrecht & Quist in San Francisco.

David Norman, Businessland's chairman and chief executive officer, acknowledged that the stock price raises takeover possibilities, but he said the company has not received any offers.

''The company has a book value of $5.50 a share, and that's a conservative

balance sheet, so (a takeover) is certainly something that is a concern,'' Norman said.

However, computer reselling is a specialized field that requires managers who know the business, Norman said. In addition, the company has a shareholder rights plan, or ''poison pill,'' to deter an unfriendly takeover, he said.

''At this point in time, I don't think it would make sense for an outsider to come in on a hostile basis,'' he said.

Among the companies rumored to have considered a purchase of Businessland are EDS Corp., the Dallas-based systems integration subsidiary of General Motors Corp.; Nynex Information Services, a unit of NYNEX Corp., the big Northeastern telecommunications firm; and unnamed U.S. and Japanese computer manufacturers that want to improve distribution in the United States.

An EDS spokesman said the company was not interested in a Businessland acquisition.

''We've had rumors of this come up before, and they are unfounded,'' EDS spokesman Peter J. McLaughlin said. ''We have had no discussions on this with Businessland.''

Businessland's primary values lies in the franchise it has built up among corporate computer buyers, analysts said. Businessland sells IBM, Apple, Compaq, Next and Wyse personal computers, as wells as laptops from Zenith Electronics Corp.

Analysts said it was hard to estimate what value Businessland's franchise has left, given the company's stream of financial problems.

''The problem is, what is there to take over?'' said Seymour Merrin, who tracks the computer industry for Merrin Information Services Inc. in Palo Alto Calif. ''Every day that passes it becomes more and more difficult to turn it around, and therefore less attractive.''

Businessland has been unable to stop a flow of red ink that began in the second quarter of fiscal 1990, ended Dec. 31, 1989.

In the fiscal year ended June 30, the company lost $23.1 million, compared with a gain of $32.9 million in the previous year. On Monday, it surprised analysts by reporting a $19.9 million loss for the first quarter on declining revenue of $308.9 million.

''This company is in such disastrous financial shape it's probably a Chapter 11 (bankruptcy petitioner) within a year if things keep going they way they have been,'' said Steven Ledger, a portfolio manager for Kayne Anderson Investment Management in Los Angeles.

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#90310u1997 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - National League Rookie of the Year Award winners:

1990-Dave Justice, Atlanta
1989-Jerome Walton, Chicago
1988-Chris Sabo, Cincinnati
1987-Benito Santiago, San Diego
1986-Todd Worrell, St. Louis
1985-Vince Coleman, St. Louis
1984-Dwight Gooden, New York
1983-Darryl Strawberry, New York
1982-Steve Sax, Los Angeles
1981-Fernando Valenzuela, Los Angeles
1980-Steve Howe, Los Angeles
1979-Rick Sutcliffe, Los Angeles
1978-Bob Horner, Atlanta
1977-Andre Dawson, Montreal
1976-Pat Zachry, Cincinnati, and Butch Metzger, Houston
1975-John Montefusco, San Francisco
1974-Bake McBride, St. Louis
1973-Gary Matthews, San Francisco
1972-Jon Matlack, New York
1971-Earl Williams, Atlanta
1970-Carl Morton, Montreal
1969-Ted Sizemore, Los Angeles
1968-Johnny Bench, Cincinnati
1967-Tom Seaver, New York
1966-Tommy Helms, Cincinnati
1965-Jim Lefebvre, Los Angeles
1964-Richie Allen, Philadelphia
1963-Pete Rose, Cincinnati
1962-Ken Hubbs, Chicago
1961-Billy Williams, Chicago
1960-Frank Howard, Los Angeles
1959-Willie McCovey, San Francisco
1958-Orlando Cepeda, San Francisco
1957-Jack Sanford, Philadelphia
1956-Frank Robinson, Cincinnati
1955-Bill Virdon, St. Louis
1954-Wally Moon, St. Louis
1953-Junior Gilliam, Brooklyn
1952-Joe Black, Brooklyn
1951-Willie Mays, New York Giants
1950-Sam Jethroe, Boston
1949-Don Newcombe, Brooklyn

x-1948-Alvin Dark, Boston
x-1947-Jackie Robinson, Brooklyn

(x-one player selected Rookie of the Year in 947 and 1948. Policy of naming a player from each league began in 1949.)

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#90310u2011 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - Voting for National League Rookie of the Year Award by Baseball Writers' Association of America (5 points for first, 3 for second, 1 for third):

	1	2	3	Pts
Dave Justice, Atl	23	1	-	118
Delino DeShields, Mon	1	16	7	60
Hal Morris, Cin	-	4	1	13
John Burkett, SF	-	2	6	12
Mike Harkey, Chi	-	-	7	7
Todd Zeile, Stl	-	1	1	4
Marquis Grissom, Mon	-	-	1	1
Larry Walker, Mon	-	-	1	1

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#90310u2013 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

HOLLYWOOD (NOV. 6) UPI - Box-office receipts have topped $4 billion so far this year - but that's still about 2 percent behind 1989's record- setting pace.

Strong showings in October by ''Ghost'' and ''Fantasia,'' ''Pacific Heights'' and ''Postcards From the Edge'' kept sales from lagging and helped boost the year-to-date box-office to nearly $4.06 billion over the weekend, Daily Variety reported Tuesday.

Last year's box office, which hit $5.03 billion at year's end, had reached $4.12 billion at the same juncture. In 1988, the total at this point had hit $3.63 billion.

If upcoming releases do well during the six-week Christmas season, the year's box-office total could match last year's. The season's films generally produce about 13 percent of a year's sales.

The top 10 movies of the weekend, led by Carolco's supernatural thriller ''Jacob's Ladder,'' took in $31.1 milion, up 1 percent from the $30.8 million of the previous weekend but off 8 percent from $33.7 million for the year-ago weekend when Tri-Star's ''Look Who's Talking'' took in $11.5 million.

''Jacob's Ladder,'' which took in $7.5 million in its three-day debut, will face new competition next weekend from Universal's ''Child's Play 2'' and Orion's ''Dances With Wolves.''

For the week, the total domestic box-office reached $65.9 million, off from $69.2 milliion for the year-ago week, but up from sales of $51.5 million in 1988.

''Ghost,'' which became the year's biggest hit over the weekend, has now pulled in $180.6 million for Paramount. Disney's ''Pretty Woman'' is second with $178.1 million and New Line's ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles'' follows at $133.1 million.

Four other films released this year have topped $100 million: ''Hunt for Red October,'' $120.7 million; ''Total Recall,'' $118.3 million; ''Die Hard 2,'' $114.6 million and ''Dick Tracy,'' $103.7 million.

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#90310u2021 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - U.S. farmers will be better off if the government's negotiators reject a world trade agreement rather than accept one created solely to disguise unresolved problems, a coalition of 29 farm and export groups said Tuesday.

The coalition, which included some of America's major farm organizations, issued a statement in response to the slow pace of negotiations on agricultural trade reform, a key issue in Uruguay Round of global trade talks. The talks are supposed to be concluded by the end of the year.

The farm and export groups blamed the lack of progress on intransigence on the part of the European Community.

''As we have stated on many occasions, we would view no agreement to be preferable to one that fails to make substantial improvements in key problem areas,'' the group said in a letter that cited Europe's export subsidies, variable tariffs and trade barriers.

Trade ambassador Carla Hills traveled to Geneva a few days ago to try to encourage action by the EC, which for weeks has been unable to agree on a final position paper. An unofficial EC proposal to cut domestic subsidies by 30 percent has been widely criticized as inadequate.

Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter told reporters he planned to visit a number of European government leaders next week to seek a more flexible European position.

''As the deadline for (an agreement) approaches ... we are becoming

increasingly concerned that a final agricultural package may be fabricated to once again 'paper over' our differences,'' the farm groups said in letters to Hills and Yeutter that asked for U.S. negotiators to remain diligent.

The groups, which included the American Farm Bureau, the American Soybean Associaton, the American Meat Institute, the National Association of Wheat Growers, the National Grange, the National Cattlemen's Association, the National Corn Growers Association and several groups representing millers and exporters, said they might refuse to support an agreement that did not satisfy their needs.

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#90310u2023 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

WICHITA, KAN (NOV. 6) UPI - Learjet Inc. said Tuesday it has been awarded an additional $15.4 million contract from the U.S. Air Force for logistical support of its C-21A fleet.

Parts and maintenance for 83 Air Force and Air Naitonal Guard aircraft would be provided by GLASCO, a Learjet subsidiary with employees at U.S. Air Force bases and overseas where C-21As are assigned.

Learjet last May received a $9.4 million Air Force contract covering support through the end of fiscal 1990. The contract includes four one- year options that could bring the total contract value to $140 million.

The option announced Tuesday was the first to be exercised.

The C-21A is the Air Force's version of the Learjet 35A.

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#90310u2043 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 6) UPI - Private crop analyst Conrad Leslie Tuesday lowered his estimate of 1990 soybean production and raised his estimate of the nation's corn crop, although the changes were slight.

The Leslie-ADM Investor Services survey put the soybean crop at 1.883 billion bushels and corn production at 7.978 billion.

On a per-acre basis, the survey predicted an average soybean yield of 33.3 bushels, compared with a five-year average of 32.4 bushels. The estimated corn yield of 119.6 bushels would be just under the record 119.8 bushels in 1987.

The Agriculture Department's November crop report is scheduled to be released Thursday afternoon.

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#90310u2112 11/06/1990 ~United Press International
BURBANK, CALIF (NOV. 6) UPI - The battle between home furnishings chains Ikea and Stor Furnishings, which have previously fought in the courtroom, will move to the cash register Wednesday as Ikea opens its first store west of the Mississippi River.

Ikea, a Swedish-based chain, will be invading Stor's turf as it opens its 88th store, a 240,000-square-foot complex near downtown Burbank, home to Walt Disney Co., Warner Bros. studios and NBC Television studios. Ikea has stores in 21 countries.

Stor, based in Industry, Calif., has opened three stores in Southern California in the last three years.

Both chains have Scandanavian-sounding name and specialize in ready-to-assemble furniture. But Stor ran into legal trouble with Ikea several years ago because of alleged copyright infringement.

Ikea claimed that Stor had copied its retail concept, store layout, merchandise mix, product labeling and catalog.

As part of a settlement between the two companies, Stor agreed to change parts of the catalog, eliminate a ''Swedish ballroom'' (a children's playroom full of balls) and not use Ikea's blue-and-yellow color scheme.

In the meantime, Stor has been establishing a foothold in the huge Southern California marketplace. Stor went public earlier this year with a 2.25 million-share offering that raised more than $20 million.

In its first quarter ended July 20, Stor lost $1.6 million on sales of $22.7 million. Stor also has said it would open a new store in Texas next spring.

James Stadtlander, president of Stor, said Tuesday that he harbors no rancor towards Ikea.

Ikea has said it expects to attract more than 120,000 customers to the Burbank store in the first week of operation.

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#90310u2210 11/06/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - The volatile 1990 midterm election rolled to a close Tuesday as the vote counting began and candidates in both parties waited to see if voters were in a mood for a general house-cleaning.

Most observers were uncertain how the voters would respond to new taxes, the savings and loan bailout, environmental concerns, as well as the prospect of

an economic slowdown and possible war in the Mideast, but early returns did not indicate a major anti-incumbent sweep was in the works.

President Bush, who spent the last several days traveling around the country to campaign for Republican candidates, was back at the White House where he watched the election returns.

All 435 House seats, one-third of the Senate and 36 governors' offices were at stake in the midterm election, along with thousands of other state and local contests.

Democrats were sure to retain control of Congress, but a number of individual races were being fought down to the wire as several incumbents battled for survival.

The closest Senate race was in North Carolina, where three-term Republican Sen. Jesse Helms was challenged by Harvey Gantt, the black liberal Democratic former mayor of Charlotte.

Across the country in Oregon, Sen. Mark Hatfield, the last Republican liberal in the Senate, was hoping to fight off a surprisingly strong challenge from Democrat Harry Lonsdale, a political novice whose campaign stressed environmental issues.

Going into the election, Democrats controlled the House 258-175 with two vacancies and the Senate by a 55-45 margin.

Republicans have not had a majority in the House since 1953-54 and in the Senate since 1986. Analysts for both parties expected only minor changes in the House.

In many states some well-known incumbents had little or no opposition and were certain of re-election, including Sens. Sam Nunn, D-Georgia, John Warner, R-Va., and Strom Thurmond, R-S.C.

Shortly after polls closed in some states, Cable News Network also projected Republican Robert Smith as the winner of an open Senate seat in the Granite State and Republican incumbent Mitch McConnell as a winner in Kentucky.

Of the 36 states with gubernatorial elections, 20 currently are held by Democrats and 16 by Republicans.

The hottest of those battles were fought in California between former San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein and Republican Sen. Pete Wilson, and in Texas between the GOP's Clayton Williams and Democratic State Treasurer Anne Richards. Voters in both states have witnessed nasty, often mud-slinging campaigns.

In Florida, former Democratic Sen. Lawton Chiles appeared headed for victory over incumbent Gov. Bob Martinez. Shortly after the polls closed, both NBC and CBS projected Chiles the winner.

Illinois, Michigan, Massachusetts and Ohio also had hard-fought gubernatorial races.

The outcome of the governors races will effect political fortunes for the next decade since the winners will have a big say in how the state's congressional districts are carved up to fit the 1990 census.

In addition to choosing from among candidates, voters in 42 states were deciding the fate of more than 200 ballot measures, including a huge tax rollback in Massachusetts and California's ''Big Green'' initiative, to ban many pesticides, certain chemicals and off-shore oil drilling.

Strategists in both parties were expecting the Senate to stay within one or two seats of the current 55-45 margin.

Going into the election, Republican Rep. Patricia Saiki appeared to have the best chance to unseat a Democrat, Sen. Daniel Akaka of Hawaii, who was named to fill the vacancy created by the death of Sen. Spark Matsunaga, also a Democrat.

In three other races - Oregon, Minnesota and North Carolina - the veteran Republican incumbents were in danger of losing their seats to almost unknown Democratic challengers.

In the North Carolina race, where Democrats accused the Republicans of using intimidation tacticis, the Justice Department announced it would investigate for possible violations of civil rights laws. The allegations stem from a ''ballot security'' program that sent out over 100,000 postcards warning voters about giving false information.

In Minnesota, Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, a Republican seeking a third term, was in a close race against political scientist Paul Wellstone.

In Iowa, late polls showed Sen. Thomas Harkin, the Democrat, holding a seven-point lead over Republican Rep. Tom Tauke, although Iowa is considered an unpredictable state.

None of the best-known House members were considered in serious trouble.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF (NOV. 6) UPI - Embattled Columbia Savings and Loan Association, the target of a possible seizure by federal regulators, reported

a third-quarter loss Tuesday of $352 million, compared with a loss of $226.3 million for the same period last year.

The loss brings the insolvent thrift's nine-month loss to $781.8 million. The 29-branch thrift, which has been clobbered by declines in the value of its junk-bond portfolio, lost $591.1 million last year.

Columbia said in its announcement that most of the third-quarter loss stemmed from a sharp decline in the market value of Columbia's portfolio of junk bonds.

The third-quarter loss gave Columbia, once the nation's most profitable thrift a negative shareholders' equity of $709.8 million.

Columbia has been trying to sell its junk-bond portfolio, assembled by former Columbia chief Thomas Spiegel through Drexel Burnham Lambert financier Michael Milken, to avoid being taken over by federal regulators. Some analysts have estimated that it could cost as much as $1.5 billion to bail out Columbia if it is seized.

As many as eight groups have been reported to have made bids for the junk-bond portfolio, including several Wall Street firms. Regulators voided one proposed sale in September for $3 billion to Gordon Investment Corp., a Canadian investment group, because of the structuring of the deal.

Columbia said Tuesday that continued credit deterioration in the junk-bond portfolio resulted in a provision for credit losses of $154.5 million for the third quarter. It also lowered the value of its investment portfolio - which consists almost entirely of the junk bonds - by $226.1 million to account for further declines in market values of its investment.

That means that the value of Columbia's investment securities is now on the books at slightly more than $2.5 billion - about half what it was at the end of the second quarter of last year.

Columbia said its third-quarter losses were partially offset by a $50.3 million gain on the sale of its securities, mostly from the sale of Columbia's investment in Motel 6 L.P.

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#90310u2239 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 6) UPI - The Minnesota Vikings said Tuesday they have signed running back D.J. Dozier to a contract.

Terms and length of the deal were not revealed by the club.

Dozier had been a conditional free agent and had played baseball in the New York Mets' farm system this summer.

Dozier is to begin practicing with the team tomorrow. The Vikings have requested that the NFL grant them a roster exemption for Dozier. The league has indicated it will grant the exemption, which means Dozier would not count on the roster for up to two games.

Dozier was the Vikings' first-round draft choice out of Penn State in 1987. In three seasons with the Vikings, he rushed 157 times for 631 yards and seven touchdowns. He also caught 31 passes for 286 passes and two TDs.

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(NOV. 6) UPI - Police in New York say an Egyptian immigrant charged with gunning down right-wing Rabbi Meir Kahane apparently was acting on his own- and was NOT part of a conspiracy to assassinate the anti-Arab figure. Authorities have tightened security for other Arab and Israeli organizations, including the media and airlines.

The 34-year-old suspect is heavily sedated and hospitalized under armed guard with a bullet wound in his jaw. He is charged with second- degree murder, attempted murder, assault, criminal possession of a weapon, criminal possession of a defaced weapon and unlawful imprisonment, the last for commandeering a taxi cab in a bid to flee.

Attorney General Thornburgh is defending the Justice Department's record against savings and loan scofflaws. Thornburgh says his department has prosecuted more than 500 major figures in thrifts in the past two years. However, a U-P-I review of what Thornburgh says are major cases finds some relatively bit players in the national scandal.

Iraq announced the release of more hostages today. They are Japanese, German, Italian, Portuguese and Swedish. The largest group is Japanese... 77 of them are being released after a personal appeal by former Prime Minister Nakasone. There are unconfirmed reports that former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt secured the release of a large number of German hostages.

The Alaska Volcano Observatory is warning that Redoubt Volcano has begun shaking and steaming ''vigorously'' and might erupt at any time. U-S Geological Survey specialist Thomas Miller said in Anchorage that there is ''a strong likelihood'' the more than 10-thousand-foot mountain could erupt within a few days.

The mountain is NOT the only thing shaking in Alaska today. An earthquake measuring six-point-seven on the Richter Scale shook a relatively uninhabited area of Alaska's Aleutian Island chain today.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

San Diego - Named Andy Strasberg vice president of public relations, Jim Ferguson media relations director.

Texas - Named Bobby Jones manager of Tulsa of Texas League and Oscar Acosta pitching coach at Tulsa.

Toronto - Traded pitcher Willie Blair to Cleveland for pitcher Alex Sanchez; traded minor-league pitcher Earl Sanders to Atlanta for minor-league pitcher Nate Cromwell.

BASKETBALL

Sioux Falls (CBA) - Waived forwards Deanthony Langston and Leo Parent; traded forward Steve Grayer to Cedar Rapids for a 1991 fourth-round draft pick and future considerations.

COLLEGE

National Association Of Intercollegiate Athletics - Announced retirement of Associate Executive Director Charles Morris effective January 1st.

New York University - Named Nancy Pajer women's assistant basketball coach.

FOOTBALL

Cincinnati - Placed safety David Fulcher on injured reserve; activated defensive back Eric Thomas.

LA Rams - Waived running back Curt Warner; activated cornerback Clifford Hicks; placed cornerback Mickey Sutton on injured reserve.

Minnesota - Signed running back D.J. Dozier.

New England - Released center Bob White; placed tight end Eric Sievers on injured reserve; activated defensive end Chris Gannon off physically unable to perform list.

Phoenix - Assigned nose tackle Craig Pattterson to practice roster.

Pittsburgh - Activated defensive lineman Karl Dunbar from physically unable to perform list.

HOCKEY

St. Louis - Recalled center Michel Mongeau from Peoria of International Hockey League.

NY Islanders - Assigned defenseman Wayne McBean to Capital District of the American Hockey League.

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 6) UPI - The Cleveland Indians announced plans Tuesday to move their spring training camp to Florida in 1993 from Tucson, Ariz., after nearly 50 years in the desert, leaving only seven teams in Arizona.

The Indians signed a letter of intent with Citrus County, Florida, located along the the Gulf Coast about 70 miles north of Tampa. Details of the exact location of the planned spring training site were not made available.

The announcement Tuesday night followed a commitment earlier in the day from the Citrus County Commission for resort tax financing. Approval is still needed from the baseball commissioner's office and the American League.

''We are pleased and excited over the possibility of training our major and minor league clubs in Citrus County,'' Indians President Hank Peters said. ''We believe a Florida location, specifically Citrus County, will provide our Cleveland area and northern Ohio fans a greater opportunity to watch and follow the Tribe during spring training.''

Peters said the club was ''saddened'' to be leaving Tucson, the Indians' training site since 1947, but said location was the deciding factor.

The Indians said a recent survey found a strong majority of people from northern Ohio select Florida as the place they choose for vacation, a winter home or retirement.

''Tucson's western location is the only reason for our decision to relocate,'' Peters said. ''The Tucson area, training facilities, weather and fans are all first-rate. ... We are confident that another major league club will be ready to locate in Tucson when the Indians relocate.''

The Florida complex is to include a 7,000-seat stadium, four practice fields, and training and medical facilities. Construction is to begin next year.

The land is being made available to Citrus County by the Tamposi family, developers of the Citrus Hills in Central Florida as well as a number of major New Hampshire projects.

The Indians said a number of Florida sites were considered. The Citrus County site is less than two hours from seven Major League training sites.

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#90310u2343 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (NOV. 6) UPI - Lt. Gov. Zell Miller overcame the formidable media campaign of Republican state legislator Johnny Isakson and a vocal Libertarian candidate Tuesday to handily win the Georgia governor's office.

Miller, the longest-serving lieutenant governor in the nation, had 57 percent of the vote, compared with 42 percent for Isakson with 23 percent of the precincts counted.

Libertarian candidate Carole Ann Rand had 4,405 votes, or 2 percent of the total.

Miller, 58, succeeds Gov. Joe Frank Harris, who leaves office in January after serving the maximum eight years allowed under state law.

With Tuesday's results, Isakson must settle for being one of the most serious GOP gubernatorial threats since Bo Callaway won a plurality of the popular vote in 1966 against Lester Maddox and Ellis Arnall. The Legislature elected Maddox when no candidate won a majority of the popular vote.

Miller began his march to the governor's office by defeating five Democrats, including former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young, to win his party's nomination earlier this year.

Isakson began running TV commercials criticizing the Harris-Miller adminstrations for excessive spending one day after the August runoff pitting Miller against Young. Isakson paid an estimated $1.3 million on advertising. Miller spent $1.5 million.

Miller's backing of the state's first lottery to fund educational improvements was a trademark of his campaign and newspaper polls said it was a key to his strength among voters.

Another key campaign plank was Miller's proposal to create military- style boot camps for first-time drug offenders.

On other key issues, Miller opposes restrictions on abortion, but supports legislation that would require minors to inform their parents before having the procedure performed. He has sworn not to raise taxes and promises to reform the state budget process.

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#90310u2428 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 6) UPI - A federal jury convicted three men Tuesday on charges stemming from the nation's largest cocaine bust but failed to reach verdicts against three others on trial.

The jury, on its seventh day of deliberations, convicted Carlos Tapia Ponce, 69, of Juarez, Mexico; and two of his sons-in-law, James Romero McTague, 42, of El Paso, Texas; and Jose Ignacio Mauricio Monroy, 37, of Mexico.

The men were convicted on two counts each of conspiracy and possession with intent to distribute the 21.4 tons of cocaine seized in a Sylmar warehouse on Sept. 28 and 29, 1989 along with $12 million in cash. It was the largest cocaine seizure in U.S. history.

McTague was also convicted on a third count of distributing 44 pounds of cocaine the day the warehouse was raided by federal and local law enforcement officers.

The jury, however, said it was deadlocked 8-4 in favor of convicting the other defendants: Tapia's son, Hector Tapia Anchondo, 39, of El Paso, Texas; Hugo Fernando Castillion, 33; and Miguel Chavez, 35, of Mexico.

U.S. District Court Judge Terry Hatter declared a mistrial in the case against those three and dismissed the jury. Prosecutors indicated they would most likely retry the men.

Following their arrests, the three men convicted had confessed to authorities that they were involved in a drug trafficking pipeline that funnelled 77 tons of cocaine into Los Angeles over a three-month period before the seziure.

But they later retracted and pleaded innocent. With their convictions, they now face maximum terms of 10 years to life when they are sentenced. A sentencing date has yet to be scheduled.

Prosecutors said the defendants received large shipments of cocaine from Mexico at El Paso, Texas and moved them in secret compartments of trucks to distribution points in Los Angeles.

The huge amount of cocaine that was seized at the 3,500-square-foot warehouse stunned law enforcement officials. It also prompted them to turn their focus in the war on drugs to the overland routes Colombian drug lords were using to smuggle cocaine into the United States.

Authorities said the seizure, which represented about 5 percent of the world's annual production of cocaine, showed that Los Angeles is at the center of the nation's cocaine trade.

During the four-week trial, prosecutors portrayed the defendants as ''cocaine

cowboys'' and ''merchants of destruction,'' saying their livelihood was based solely on cocaine trafficking.

Ledgers seized at the warehouse and elsewhere showed that the elder Tapia was drawing in as much as $3 million in drug profits daily.

The defendants pretended to run a Mexican arts and craft business which sold pinatas, oil paintings on velvet canvases and various other knickknacks in order to conceal the nature of their dealings, prosecutor said.

The government portrayed the Tapias as the key lieutenants in the operation, renting the warehouse for $1,700 a month while making millions of dollars in drug profits.

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#90310u2550 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - James Donaldson sank two free throws with 14 seconds left Tuesday night to help lift the Dallas Mavericks to a 96-91 victory over the New York Knicks.

Donaldson's free throws gave Dallas a 94-91 lead and Herb Williams followed with two free throws to seal the victory.

Charles Oakley had given the Knicks a 91-90 lead with 1:38 left when he jammed in the rebound of a Mark Jackson miss. Patrick Ewing then blocked a Derek Harper layup, but the Knicks could not score.

Rolando Blackman hit a jumper with 37 seconds left to put Dallas back up 92-91.

The Mavericks chipped away at New York in the fourth quarter and pulled even at 82-82 on Blackman's jumper with 5:07 left.

Tarpley kept Dallas in the game in the third quarter, scoring 10 of his 29 points on a combination of power moves inside and 10- to 12-foot jumpers.

Blackman added 20 points and Derek Harper had 15 for the Mavericks.

The Knicks were led by Ewing, who had 26 points and six blocks. Gerald Wilkins scored 8 of his 15 points, in the third quarter when the Knicks went to a three-guard lineup with Oakley on the bench with four fouls.

The Knicks outscored the Mavericks 12-6 over the first seven minutes of the second quarter to take a 41-31 lead. For more than five minutes of that run, Ewing was on the bench watching.

Brian Quinnett had four points in the run. Ewing came back in to score 9 of New York's last 13 points, and with 2:05 left, the Knicks were up 49-33.

But Blackman and Harper started dropping off the Knicks guards to harrass Ewing and Oakley inside. The Mavericks ran off the last 7 points of the half to pull to 49-40.

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#90310u2585 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

RALEIGH, N.C. (NOV. 6) UPI - North Carolina Sen. Jesse Helms held a steady lead Tuesday over black liberal Democrat Harvey Gantt amid heavy turnout and problems that forced several polling stations to stay open late.

Voters waited into the night to settle one of the nation's most bitterly contested Senate races.

With 53 percent of the precincts counted at 9:45 p.m. EST, Helms had 522,929 votes, or 55 percent, to Gantt's 435,455, or 45 percent.

Election officials reported heavy turnout across most of the state, with lines of more than 200 people forming at some voting stations an hour after the polls opened.

Problems with ballots and voting machines forced polling places to remain open after the traditional 7 p.m. closing in at least three counties.

The Helms campaign protested the late closing in Durham County, considered a Gantt stronghold.

''The Helms campaign nor the GOP were given an opportunity to be heard before the order was entered allowing the polls to stay open until 10 p.m.,'' Helms aide Palmer Sugg said.

Susan Jetton, a spokesman for the Gantt campaign, said Helms supporters might be involved in the precinct problems.

Gantt urged his backers still waiting at broken-down voting booths ''where the lines were so terribly loing and said, 'Hang in there, keep waiting, be patient. We need your votes,''' Jetton said.

Helms, a three-term ultra-conservative, used a barrage of TV and radio advertisements to attack Gantt, the former Charlotte mayor.

The Helms and Gantt camps swapped stinging allegations until election eve, when a federal judge in New Jersey ruled that mailings by North Carolina's Republican Party in the campaign's waning days may have violated an 8-year-old court order barring the GOP from intimidating minority voters. That order resulted from a New Jersey case.

The North Carolina allegations stem from a ''ballot security'' program that sent out more than 100,000 postcards to many mostly black areas warning voters about giving false information.

The Justice Department promised an investigation to check into possible violations of civil rights laws.

Some of Helms's latest TV spots featured a disappointed white job- seeker crumpling a rejection letter with a voice-over blaming the applicant's failure on racial hiring quotas supported by Gantt and liberal Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass.

Helms denied critics' allegations of bringing racism into the campaign.

''This is a contest between a liberal and a conservative, and that's about it '' he said.

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OSHKOSH, Wis. (NOV. 6) UPI - A man charged with sexually assaulting a woman by taking advantage of her multiple personalities knew of the woman's disorder a friend of the woman testified Tuesday.

Mark A. Peterson, 29, of Oshkosh, is charged with second-degree sexual assault of a 27-year-old Oshkosh woman whose psychiatrist claims has 46 different personalities.

Peterson has contended that the woman consented, but the prosecution argues that Peterson knew of the woman's disorder and coaxed one vulnerable personality - ''Jennifer'' - into having sex.

Ruth Reeves, a neighbor and close friend of the woman, testified she had told Peterson about the woman's multiple personalities.

''I explained to him that some of her personalities were vulnerable and that she was mentally handicapped. I mentioned mental illness,'' she said.

Winnebago County District Attorney Joseph Paulus then asked her what Peterson said when told of the woman's mental state.

''He said, 'I see,''' Reeves said.

One of the woman's personalities is Jennifer, described as a 20-year- old who likes music and dancing. Jennifer is the personality the prosecutor says was in control of the woman when she and the defendant allegedly had sex in a car.

The prosecution also contends that a second personality, Emily, 6, watched the

act.

The woman is expected to testify Wednesday.

Also testifying Tuesday was Lori Warchol of Clinical Services in Oshkosh, the woman's psychiatrist, who said she has worked with her for 2 1/2 years and ''I know she is not faking.''

Warchol said at the time of the alleged assault the woman had 18 different personalities but since then has developed more and now exhibits 46 personalities.

''Some of the personalities are new and some aren't new, but were only recently discovered,'' she said.

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ATHENS, Greece (NOV. 6) UPI - A major earthquake measuring 6.6 on the open-ended Richter scale hit a mountainous area of southern Iran late Tuesday, inflicting heavy damage and killing or injuring at least 100 people, sources said.

The quake, which struck at 9:57 p.m. shook a rural area about 500 miles southeast of Tehran in the Zagros mountains, an official at the Tehran University Geophysical Institute said.

The epicenter was about 50 miles east of Darab in a region inhabited by about 15,000 people, according to a spokesman for a group called the People's Mojahedin of Iran.

Some 20 villages in the counties of Forg and Abshour were heavily damaged, said Alireza Jafarzadeh, a U.S. spokesman for the Mojahedin. The Mojahedin is the principal resistance group trying to establish a democracy in Iran.

He said he was receiving information by telephone from members of the group in Iran.

''According to information on casualties one hour after the earthquake, at least 100 people were injured or killed, about 50-50,'' Jafarzadeh said. ''It happened late at night while most of the villagers were in their homes. The toll will probably go higher. Most of the homes are made of clay and aren't resistant to earthquakes.''

It was the second major tremor to hit Iran in less than five months. An earthquake measuring 7.7 on the Richter scale June 21 destroyed several towns and villages in the mountains northeast of Tehran. The Iranian government estimated the death toll at more than 35,000, with more than 100,000 injured

and 400,000 left homeless.

The reports on the strength of the temblor Tuesday were conflicting. The Tehran University Geophysical Institute said the quake was 6.6 on the open-ended Richter scale. But Rebecca Phipps of the U.S. Geological Survey near Washington said the quake measured 7.0 and was centered some 550 miles south of Tehran.

An earthquake measuring 7.0 on the Richter scale is considered a major quake and is capable of widespread heavy damage.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - Alcohol and drug abuse and mental illness cost the nation at least $273 billion in 1988 in terms of treatment, reduced productivity, mortality, criminal justice expenses and other related costs, the government said Tuesday.

The Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration study projected 1985 figures to 1988 taking into consideration inflation and other factors. 1985 was the most recent year for which data was available.

Dr. Frederick Goodwin, the administration's head, conceded the $273 billion figure is a ''rock bottom'' estimate since mental and addictive disorders have been consistently underreported and because the devastating crack cocaine epidemic did not hit the nation until after 1985.

Of the total, $129 billion was for mental illness, $85.8 billion for alcohol abuse and $58.3 billion for drug abuse, the report said.

Overall, 36 percent of the total economic loss was due to lost and reduced productivity, especially lost wages; 24 percent went for treatment-related costs; and 16 percent was due to lost earnings due to premature death.

Other associated costs, such as law enforcement, auto crashes, fires and lost productivity by crime victims and caregivers, accounted for the other 24 percent.

Goodwin said the report indicates ''very substantial'' costs to society for mental and addictive disorders, but he said $273 billion annually is certainly a low estimate.

''We have no way of knowing the magnitude of the underestimates ..., especially for costs associated with alcohol and drug abuse,'' he said, adding there remains an urgent need to develop more comprehensive national data bases on the disorders.

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#90310u2643 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (NOV. 6) UPI - A Dallas County probate jury voted Tuesday to remove the long-time executor to the estate of Jack Ruby, killer of presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, accusing him of ''gross mismanagement'' and ''negligence.''

''We felt there was negligence starting from the beginning,'' jury forewoman Deborah Smith said.

The jury also refused executor Jules Mayer, 81, legal fees for defending the suit that unseated him.

Mayer slumped slightly after the decision was announced. Asked about an appeal Mayer's attorney and partner Marvin Levin said, ''Whatever Jack Ruby, speaking through Mr. Mayer, decides.''

''We're going to appeal it,'' Mayer said.

The weeklong hearing focused on who had the right to sell Ruby's possessions - the clothing he wore when arrested, a wristwatch, a diamond ring and the gun. The gun alone was estimated to have a value to collectors of $100,000 to $150,000.

Mayer sought the funds to pay legal expenses - more than $55,000 - accrued since Ruby's death in 1967 of cancer. The Ruby family has refused to pay Mayer claiming he mismanaged the estate.

Several times during the hearings, Mayer snapped at Ruby's lawyer, Doug Larson questioning his manhood in one exchange and threatening him with a fistfight on another.

Probate Judge Robert Price rebuked Mayer for his outbursts and threatened to remove him as executor several times during the proceedings.

Earlier in the week, Mayer testified that he sent letters to museums, gun hobbyists, television producers and shoe manufacturers to see if they wanted to buy or lease Ruby's gun or clothing.

He sent one letter to Colt Manufacturing, which made the Colt Cobra revolver used to kill Oswald.

''Did you really think Colt wanted a murder weapon?'' asked Larson.

''I just thought I'd try,'' Mayer said.

Ruby's brother, Earl, 75, said the decision was a vindication of patience.

''After 23 years of fighting, I won,'' he said. ''I learned one thing: If you know you're right, don't give up.''

Mayer was named executor in a 1950 will handwritten by Jack Ruby, and he successfully fought off three court challenges and a complaint to the Texas Bar Association. All four actions were prompted by Earl Ruby.

Members of the three-man, three-woman jury mentioned they were particularly troubled by Mayer's practice of charging up to $200 an hour for talking to reporters.

During the trial, Ruby's gun and articles of clothing were displayed in public as court evidence for the first time since Mayer had locked them in a safe deposit box 23 years ago.

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#90310u2656 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - Democrats gained at least four governorships Tuesday night and conservative Republican Sen. Jesse Helms won after a scare in North Carolina.

Bitter races for the governorships in Texas and California also highlighted Tuesday's off-year elections. And there were close races in Michigan and Massachusetts.

There was no wholesale ''throw the rascals out'' move across the political spectrum - House members and senators fared far better in holding on to their seats - but Democrats gained in gubernatorial races.

There were only a handful of tight House races and the first upset came with the defeat of veteran Republican Stan Parris of Northern Virginia, ousted by Alexandria Mayor James Moran Jr. Parris, an outspoken abortion foe, served six terms, five consecutively after 1980.

In the District of Columbia, Mayor Marion Barry - convicted of drug possession and sentenced to six months in jail - was replaced by Democrat Sharon Pratt Dixon. Voters refused to elect Barry to a city council post.

Former Democratic Sen. Lawton Chiles won the top state job in Florida over incumbent Republican Bob Martinez, who conceded. Democratic State Treasurer Joan Finney was forecast to win the job over incumbent Republican Mike Hayden in Kansas. The open governorship in Oklahoma went to Democrat David Walters.

Democrat Bruce Sundlun beat Rhode Island Gov. Edward DiPrete in an upset and the open GOP seat in New Mexico went to Democrat Bruce King. Republican George Voinovich snagged the open Democratic governorship in Ohio.

The most closely watched races were the ones in North Carolina, Texas and California.

As the list of incumbent senators who won re-election grew during the evening - there were 35 races - the North Carolina started out tight. Gantt, a former mayor of Charlotte, wanted to become North Carolina's first black senator and Helms, the darling of the political right across the country, wanted a fourth term.

With 70 percent of the vote in, Helms held a 54 percent to 46 percent lead over Gantt. Helms invested nearly $15 million in the race.

Ann Richards was in a close race - 51 percent to 49 percent - with Republican Clayton Williams in the Texas governors race, and polls were just closing in California's gubernatorial contest between Republican Sen. Pete Williams and former San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein.

In the other swap among the senior state jobs, former Sen. Lowell Weicker, a moderate Republican who lost his seat two years ago and ran for the governor's post as an independent, defeated Republican and Democratic candidates for the job.

The Senate race of Democratic incumbent Bill Bradley in New Jersey was surprisingly tight, with the former basketball player up by only a few thousand votes out of more than a million counted. Networks projected that Bradley would still win a third term. He was believed to be suffering a backlash from voters angry at higher taxes imposed by Democratic Gov. James Florio.

Rep. Newt Gingrich, the assistant House Republican leader and Georgia's only GOP congressman, was in a fierce battle with Democrat David Worley.

Another House member tossed out was five-term Rep. Roy Dyson, D-Md., beaten by Republican challenger Wayne Gilchrist. Dyson was not well known outside his district, where he got in trouble for connections to defense contractors amid the ''Ill Wind'' defense contracting scandal.

In the mountainous North Carolina 11th District seat that has bounced back and forth for the past 20 years, Rep. Jamie Clarke, a Democrat, was narrowly trailing challenger Charles Taylor.

In the northeast, Socialist Bernie Sanders, running as an independent, won the at-large House seat in Vermont.

The outcome of the governors races will affect political fortunes for the next decade since the winners will have a big say in how the state's congressional districts are carved up to fit the 1990 census.

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Going into the election, Republican Rep. Patricia Saiki appeared to have the best chance to unseat a Democrat, Sen. Daniel Akaka of Hawaii, who was named to fill the vacancy created by the death of Sen. Spark Matsunaga, also a Democrat.

In Oregon, Sen. Mark Hatfield, the last Republican liberal in the Senate, hoped to fight off a surprisingly strong challenge from Democrat Harry Lonsdale, a political novice whose campaign stressed environmental issues.

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(NOV. 6) UPI - The governor of Guam has won re-election. Republican Joseph Ada won a second term, defeating the widow of a former governor. The former Guam governor shot himself in January just before he was supposed to board a plane for California to start serving a four-year prison term for bribery and extortion. Earlier this year, Ada signed into law a measure that contained the most restrictive abortion curbs in the United States.

Black voters turned out in what appears to be record numbers in Miami today. The turnout is because of blacks are angry about the Dade County School Board's choice of a superintendent. A Cuban got the job over a black man. School board members were on today's ballot. Black religious leaders called for a school and work boycott today, and it threw school bus schedules up for grabs.

A State Department official says Iraq is ''the most sealed-off nation in the history of the world.'' Jock Covey, deputy assistant secretary of state for Near East affairs, said today that Iraq is losing two-BILLION dollars a month in canceled oil sales. Plus, he says Iraq is getting only about 10 percent of its former imports.

Mourners at Rabbi Meir Kahane's funeral today hoisted signs that demanded ''Revenge'' in blood-red Hebrew letters. New York police have increased security for both Arab and Israeli groups... even though police say they believe the Egyptian immigrant who shot Kahane acted alone.

A jury in Los Angeles convicted three men today on charges that stem from the nation's largest cocaine bust. The jury failed to reach verdicts for three other defendants. They were arrested after a 21-ton cocaine seizure.

Federal mediators re-opened contract talks at the strike-bound New York Daily News today. And a union group is planning a media campaign to try to persuade

readers and advertisers to boycott the Daily News.

The split between the two Chinas showed itself again today. China broke off diplomatic relations with Nicaragua because Nicaragua re- established relations with Taiwan.

Scientists at a world climate conference in Geneva called for cutting carbon dioxide emissions in half. The scientists say present technology can reduce emissions by at least one-fifth by the year 2005.

Researchers gave new hope to cancer victims today. They say a drug commonly used to reduce the risk of recurrences of breast cancer... tamoxifen... may also help people with other types of cancer.

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#90310u2908 11/06/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 6) UPI - A Dallas jury this evening threw out the long-time executor for the estate of Jack Ruby... and replaced him with Ruby's brother, Earl. The jury accused Jules Mayer of ''gross mismanagement'' of the estate of the man who shot the assassin of President Kennedy. Mayer wanted to sell Ruby's belongings to pay legal expenses since Ruby died from cancer in 1967. Ruby's relatives have refused to pay the executor, claiming mismanagement of the estate.

During the trial... the gun Ruby used to shoot Lee Harvey Oswald was displayed as court evidence. It's the first time the gun has been seen in public since Mayer locked it in a safe deposit box 23 years ago.

The largest cocaine seizure in U-S history led to the convictions of three men in Los Angeles today. The jury failed to decide verdicts for three others on trial in L-A's federal court. Judge Terry Hatter declared a mistrial. All six men are from Mexico or Texas. They were charged in connection with a more than 21-ton cocaine stash in a warehouse.

Officials say the L-A seizure represented about five percent of the world's annual production of cocaine. Agents also confiscated 12-Million dollars in their raid.

New York City remains the nation's financial capital tonight. The chairmen of four key commodities exchanges recommended that the markets stay in Manhattan... rather than moving to a competing site across the Hudson River in New Jersey. The New York Mercantile Exchange, the Coffee, Sugar and Cocoa Exchange, the Commodity Exchange and the New York Cotton Exchange are likely to move to a new office tower near the World Trade Center, rather than go to New Jersey.

The giant shipping company United Parcel Service lost more than 20 of its

trucks and vans in Houston. Wreckers hauled away the vehicles to satisfy a former U-P-S employee's multi-Million-dollar lawsuit against the company in a false-arrest case. An attorney said United Parcel refused to pay the nearly six and one-half-Million-dollar judgment. He says more U-P-S property will be seized.

Health officials in East St. Louis, Illinois, want to collect abandoned tires from vacant lots in the town. They say picking up the tires that are breeding grounds for mosquitoes would be cheaper than spraying the tires with insecticides. State agencies advocate using the tires as fuel for boilers. The Illinois Power Company is experimenting with the idea, burning a mixture of tires and coal at its Baldwin power plant.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 6) UPI - NBC got off to a fast start in the November sweeps, thanks to the theatrical film ''Three Men And A Baby,'' it was reported Tuesday.

Sweeps is the period when the ratings companies go into local markets and abandon their gadgetry to take a look at the diaries selected viewers keep of their viewing habits.

While sweeps count heads in some 200 local markets, they are important to the networks because their findings are used to help set local advertising rates.

In both the Nielsen and Arbitron count, NBC leads, CBS is No. 2 and ABC trails.

''Three Men and A Baby'' came in fourth on the Nielsen list, with the highest ratings of any theatrical movie on network television since NBC ran ''Top Gun'' in May 1989.

It was enough to put NBC into second place on Sunday night for the first time this season, but not enough to dislodge CBS from winning the night, as it often does.

CBS had the No. 2 movie, ''83 Hours 'Til Dawn,'' tied for 29th, but won the night on the strength of ''60 Minutes'' in second place and ''Murder, She Wrote,'' tied for seventh.

ABC's Sunday movie, ''The Last Best Year,'' tied for 46th.

Sunday carries a lot of weight in the ratings because it offers four hours of prime time instead of three and is the most-watched night of the week.

In the ratings for the week ending Nov. 4, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., NBC won with a 13.5 rating and a 23 share. CBS came in second with a 12.6

rating and a 21 share, while ABC had an 11.9 rating and a 20 share.

The seven-week-old season-to-date statistics point to a tight race, with CBS only three-tenths of a ratings point behind No. 1 NBC. NBC leads with a 13.3 rating and 22 share, followed by CBS with a 13.0 rating and a 22 share. ABC is not far behind with a 12.5 rating and a 21 share.

Night-by-night competition saw NBC win Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, while ABC took Monday and Friday and CBS captured Sunday.

The only new show in the top 10 was ''America's Funniest People'' (ABC), which came in 10th and is a clone of ''America's Funniest Home Videos.''

Aside from ''Funniest People,'' the top-rated new show of the week was a special edition of ''Evening Shade,'' which came in 24th when it aired on the CBS Monday night comedy lineup, which included ''Designing Women'' tied for fifth, ''Murphy Brown'' in ninth and ''Major Dad'' tied for 13th. In its regular Friday night time period, ''Evening Shade'' tied for 58th.

Other new shows in the top 50 included ''Fresh Prince of Bel Air'' (NBC), 31st; ''Married People'' (ABC), 40th; ''The Trials of Rosie O'Neill'' (CBS), 42nd, and ''Over My Dead Body'' (CBS), 50th.

ABC's ''World News Tonight'' was No. 1 for the 43rd consecutive week, with an11.4 rating and a 22 share. ''CBS Evening News'' with Dan Rather came in second with a 10.0 rating and a 19 share, while ''NBC Nightly News'' with Tom Brokaw had a 9.5 rating and an 18 share.

Each ratings point represents about 921,000 households. A share is the percentage of TV sets in use that are tuned to a particular show or network.

The top 10 programs for the week ending Sunday, Nov. 4, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., were:

1. Cheers (NBC) 2. 60 Minutes (CBS) 3. The Cosby Show (NBC) 4. Three Men and a Baby, NBC Sunday movie 5. (tie) Designing Women (CBS)
Roseanne (ABC) 7. (tie) Murder, She Wrote (CBS)
America's Funniest Home Videos (ABC) 9. Murphy Brown (CBS) 10.America's Funniest People (ABC)

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DENVER (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Cohig & Associates Inc., the Denver-based investment banker, Wednesday announced it has completed secondary offerings for two fast-growing companies in the computer reseller industry group -- Random Access Inc. of Denver and MacLand Inc. of Tempe, Ariz.

Completion of these offerings brings to four the number of secondary offerings Cohig & Associates has managed in 1990.

For MacLand, a marketer of hardware and accessories for the Macintosh computer line, Cohig & Associates raised $1.9 million through the sale of 1.15 million units at $1.65 per unit. Units consist of two shares of common stock and one warrant. The offering was co-managed by Paradise Valley Securities of Phoenix.

As a result of the offering, MacLand's securities have been elevated to trading on the NASDAQ system. MacLand, which reported record net income of $327,000, or 4 cents per share, on revenue of $9,661,000 for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, will use the funds for working capital, expansion of facilities and marketing and promotion.

For Random Access, Cohig & Associates raised $1.15 million through the sale of 575,000 units at $2 per unit. Units consist of two shares of common stock and one warrant. Random Access, the region's largest and fastest-growing computer reseller, will use the proceeds of the offering to develop Apple-only sales facilities, expand its service division, automate operations, and develop a memory distribution division.

Named the 15th fastest-growing small public company in America by Inc. magazine, Random has a compounded annual growth rate of 198 percent over the past five years.

Cohig & Associates is a full-service investment banking firm that specializes in capital formation for companies with $3 million to $50 million in revenue.

The firm's particular emphasis is on established public companies that have a need for working capital to fund promising business opportunities or late-stage product development.

The firm also is active in merger and acquisition counseling and makes a market in more than 150 stocks. Cohig has 62 licensed brokers located in four Colorado offices.

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OREM, UTAH (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Seagull Technologies Corp., Wednesday announced the Executive Fax, a stand-alone fax addition to laser printers that receives and prints faxes in high resolution to the laser printer when it is not in use.

Because the Executive Fax includes a processor, memory and removable mass

storage, it also provides a number of features, such as fax forwarding, fax confirmation, key account concentration, fax broadcasting and scheduling, that put executives in control of their fax communication in a business environment.

The Executive Fax prints to most Hewlett Packard and Canon laser printers, without requiring expensive memory upgrades. It does not interrupt printing from a network or computer. It waits until the printer is free.

The Executive Fax is a stand-alone machine. No need to leave expensive computers with sensitive data turned on to receive faxes as is the case with fax boards. Even if the laser printer is off, the Executive Fax receives the fax and waits until the printer is turned on. Computers are used to program the functins of the fax to the needs of the executive; after which the Executive Fax is left alone to do the work.

In addition to the savings and convenience of higher resolution on plain paper the Executive Fax can perform several advanced functions automatically:

- If executives want to reserve fax reception from only the most important accounts, the Executive Fax can be programmed to reject faxes from anyone else thus avoiding junk faxes.

- If executives need to travel, the Executive Fax can forward faxes to any destination.

- If executives desire to poll the machine for the faxes received, such a feature is available.

- If executives want to keep an audit trail of faxes received, they only need to archive the diskette.

- If for a certain account, fax accuracy must be verified, the Executive Fax will confirm receipt in one of three optional levels: by reporting back how many pages were received, the top two inches of each page or sending the entire fax back to the sender.

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PUEBLO, COLO. (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Burdened with the costs of an underfunded pension plan and continued weak markets for its major product lines, CF&I Steel Corp. of Pueblo, and its nine subsidiaries Wednesday filed petitions for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankrupty Code in Salt Lake City.

Chapter 11 permits a company to remain in business while it reorganizes its financial affairs under court protection.

Frank Yaklich Jr., president and chief executive officer of CF&I, said, ''During this process, CF&I will continue to operate, provide jobs for our employees, and meet the needs of our loyal customers with quality products.

''We filed Chapter 11 to resolve some financial problems,'' he said. ''This action was taken only after all other options had been exhausted. I want our employees, customers, shareholders and suppliers all to know that CF&I is a survivor and that we are confident CF&I will emerge from this new challenge a stronger, better compay.''

The total underfunded liability of the pension plan is estimated at approximately $140 million. As reported in September, CF&I was unable to make a $12.3 million payment to the pension plan. Since then it has missed an October quarterly payment of $1.8 million.

Prior to Sept. 15, 1990, CF&I had made all its required pension plan contributions on time and in full, including a $15 million payment in 1988 and a $16.6 million payment in 1989.

The filing suspends all payments to the pension plan.

A series of outside economic factors occurred simultaneously, including the failing energy industry in 1982 and 1983, that led to a downsizing of the company. The downsizing dramatically increased the number of retirees, reducing the company's ability to fund the plan.

The company continues to aggressively seek an investor who will see the advantages and benefits of funding a significant upgrading of CF&I's facilities. These improvements in manufacturing technology and productivity are expected to be part of the reorganization plan.

CF&I is a major producer of steel products for the energy, transportation and agricultural markets. Founded in 1872 before Colorado's statehood, CF&I played a major role in the founding of Pueblo and remains one of the city's largest employers.

The Chaper 11 petitions were filed in Salt Lake City, the headquarters of one of CF&I's largest subsidiaries, CF&I Fabricators of Utah.

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OSHKOSH, WI (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - At an Oshkosh B'Gosh Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:GOSHA) board of directors meeting held on Monday, Nov. 5, the directors voted a quarterly dividend of $0.1025 per share on the Class A Common stock and 9 cents per share on the Class B Common stock.

As it has in the past, the board also declared an extra dividend. The dividend declared was 8 cents per share on the Class A Common stock and 7 cents per share on the Class B Common stock.

All dividends are payable on Dec. 1, to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Nov. 16.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Elliot K. Knutson, chairman and chief executive officer of Washington Federal Savings and Loan Association, of Seattle, announced that a letter of intent has been signed to acquire First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Idaho Falls, Idaho.

The two institutions will join through a merger-conversion where First Federal will convert to a stock chartered thrift and merge into Washington Federal.

During the multi-step merger-conversion process, First Federal, currently a federally chartered mutual institution, will become a stock institution and merge into Washington Federal, with the concurrent issuance of additional shares of Washington Federal's common stock. The process requires the approval of the deposit and loan customers of First Federal and the Office of Thrift Supervision.

At Sept. 30, 1990, First Federal had $99.2 million in assets, capital of $5.1 million and three offices located in Idaho Falls, Blackfoot and Rexburg, with a lending office in Ketchum, Idaho.

Washington Federal has assets of $2.6 billion with capital of $320 million for a ratio of 12.08 percent. It operates 64 offices throughout Washington, Idaho and Oregon and is listed on the National Market System of NASD under the symbol WFSL. The Oregon branches are doing business as Freedom Federal Savings.

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TOKYO (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Unify Corp. Wednesday announced it has joined forces with two major Japan-based technology companies to form Unify Japan, a joint-venture company headquartered in Tokyo to market and distribute integrated Open Systems solutions based on Unify's full suite of ACCELL 4GL and UNIFY RDBMS application development products for Unix.

Unify Japan was established in association with Sumitomo Metal Industries Ltd. (SMI), one of Japan's foremost steel manufacturers and high-technology companies, and AIR Company Ltd., Japan's leading distributor for ACCELL and UNIFY software.

At its inception, Unify Japan will have a network of more than 150 dealers, distributors, developers and support engineers, making it the largest Unix-based Open Systems solutions company in Japan.

''With the growing acceptance of Open Systems technologies in Japan, this marketplace represents an unprecedented opportunity for Unify Corporation,'' said David Saykally, Unify's president and chief executive officer.

In specific, he noted that Unify Japan has assembled these assets through its partnership announcement:

-- Strong software, hardware and integration technology
-- Closer customer/vendor relations in the Japanese market
-- Solid commercial/government distribution through both a Unify Japan direct sales force and a national network of distributors and VARs.

Sumitomo's Systems Engineering Division businesses include: system integration, systems product sales and data communications services.

AIR is Unify's largest distributor in Japan, and is also one of Japan's oldest distributors of Unix software products, beginning its business in Osaka in 1985. Since that time, AIR has established a number of strategic relationships with Japan's most successful Unix hardware vendors, including Hitachi, Fujitsu and NEC.

Moreover, AIR and its network of Value-Added Resellers have combined to create hundreds of Kanji-based ACCELL/UNIFY applications for accounting, banking, health, manufacturing and retailing, among others. Unify Corp.

Unify is the manufacturer and developer of the ACCELL/SQL ''Open Systems'' application development toolset and the UNIFY family of RDBMS. ACCELL/SQL is the only application development system to support all leading Unix databases (including Oracle, Informix, SCO/Integra, Sybase and UNIFY) and graphical user interfaces or GUIs, (including Open Look, Motif and Microsoft Windows).

ACCELL and UNIFY have been translated into Kanji and Chinese character scripts for easy use and integration into the Asian markets. ACCELL/UNIFY have also been ported to more than 170 different Unix platforms, including AT&T System V BSD, XENIX, AIX and Ultrix. These features make ACCELL/UNIFY the most portable software packages in the world.

Unify Corp. is a leading manufacturer of Unix-based application development software tools, and the leading supplier of Unix software to the Japanese market. Based in Sacramento, Calif., Unify employs 260 people in 19 offices across the United States, Europe and Japan.

AIR Company Ltd. is Japan's leading distributor of Unix products. Based in Osaka, AIR has established strategic partnerships with some of Japan's most successful hardware vendors, including Fujitsu, Hitachi and NEC. As Japan's leading supplier of Kanji-based software, AIR has licensed Unify software at more than 25,000 sites.

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RUSTON, LA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Willamette Industries Inc. (OTC: WMTT) Wednesday declared a dividend of 40 cents per share on its common stock, payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 26, 1990.

The company anticipates a smooth start-up of its fine paper mill, under construction in Bennettsville, S.C., sometime near the end of this month. Expenses related to the start-up are estimated to be 21 cents per share in the fourth quarter. The mill will begin operation in a strong white paper market with high internal demand for the product.

Willamette continues to experience weak markets for many product lines and has curtailed some lumber and plywood operations in Oregon because of poor demand for these products. The combination of reduced operating earnings, start-up expenses from the Bennettsville mill, increased interest costs, and restructuring costs at its Penntech operation will all have a negative impact on fourth quarter earnings.

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EL SEGUNDO, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Rockwell International Corp.'s board of directors Wednesday declared quarterly dividends on the company's common and preferred stock.

The board declared a quarterly dividend of 21.5 cents per share on both the common and the Class A common stock, payable Dec. 10, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 19, 1990.

In addition, the board declared regular quarterly dividends of $1.1875 per share of Series A preferred stock and $0.3375 per share of Series B preferred stock. Both preferred dividends are payable Jan. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990.

Rockwell International is a $12 billion, multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses.

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TEMPE, AZ (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - UDC-Universal Development L.P. (NYSE:UDC) Wednesday said its third quarter results were consistent with the company's expectations.

Net income was $5.3 million, or 21 cents per common share, on revenues of $82.2 million, compared with last year's record third quarter net income of $11.6 million, or $1.05 per common share, on revenues of $98.9 million.

The Tempe, Ariz.-based homebuilder said net income was affected by the decline in the national housing market and net income per common share continues to be impacted by the August 1989 partial recapitalization.

Closings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 reached $77.6 million for 489 homes, compared with the record $94.3 million and 591 homes a year ago.

Net orders were $77 million for 462 homes, compared with 1989's record third quarter net orders of $107.8 million for 656 homes.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net income was $17.2 million, or 82 cents per common share, on revenues of $246.1 million. During 1989, a record net income of $30.9 million was recorded, or $2.74 per common share, on revenues of $255 million.

Closings for the nine months totaled $231.5 million for 1,431 homes, compared with last year's record $244 million for 1,517 homes.

Nine month net orders were $265.7 million for 1,619 homes, compared with 1989's record of $353.4 million for 2,117 homes.

UDC's backlog of homes ordered but not yet closed at Sept. 30 was $158.9 million for 973 homes, compared with last year's record $215.4 million for 1,284 homes.

During the third quarter, UDC repurchased approximately $6 million of its outstanding 12.25 percent subordinated debt, due in 1993. These repurchases, funded by a placement with an institution of $30 million 11.26 percent senior notes, due in 2000, increased third quarter and nine month net income per common share by 11 cents.

UDC-Universal Development L.P. builds quality family and adult residential communities in the Sun Belt, with operations in Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina. Its common and preferred shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Texas Instruments has begun limited customer sampling of two versions of advanced memory chips that can store more than 16 million bits of data.

The devices, known as 16- megabit dynamic random access memories (DRAMs), each can store the equivalent of approximately 1,000 pages of single-spaced text. This is four times the density of the 4-megabit chips that are the most advanced DRAMs available today from TI and other suppliers.

TI is one of the first manufacturers to produce fully functional 16-Mbit DRAMs based on a design developed by TI for high-volume, cost-effective production. Using its initial set of photomasks, or tooling, TI produced fully functional devices that met all design specifications without the use of built-in, yield-enhancing repair capabilities.

Applying the most sophisticated new technology, chipmakers traditionally have been able to bring a new DRAM generation to market every four years. Devices in each new generation hold two key advantages over those in the previous

generation -- they can store four times as much information, and they typically have a lower cost per bit. DRAMs are used extensively in computers to store software programs and operating data.

Today's current generation of memory chips is just beginning its transition from the one-megabit to the four-megabit DRAM. TI has begun production shipments of four-megabit DRAMS and is ramping up for volume production. Analysts estimate that more than two billion four-megabit chips will be shipped by semiconductor manufacturers -- including TI -- during the next few years, with fewer than 20 million units shipped to date.

For 1990, the worldwide DRAM market is estimated at $6.6 billion, representing 11.7 percent of the total worldwide semiconductor market, according to Dataquest, a market research firm in San Jose, Calif. Dataquest estimates that the DRAM market will grow to $18.7 billion in 1994, at 18.23 percent of the total semiconductor market. Initial low-volume shipments of 16-megabit DRAMs by semiconductor manufacturers are not expected to begin until late 1991 or early 1992, with volume production ramping up in 1992/93. TI expects to beamong the early leaders.

Texas Instruments Inc., headquartered in Dallas, is a high-technology company with sales and operations in more than 30 countries. TI develops, manufactures and markets semiconductors, defense electronics systems, software productivity tools, computer systems, industrial automation and control systems, electrical controls, metallurgical materials, and consumer electronics products.

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PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Portland General Electric Co. (PGE) is pleased with the results of Tuesday's election that saw 60 percent of Oregon voters rejecting the shutdown of the Trojan Nuclear Plant, Portland General Chairman and CEO Ken L. Harrison said at a news conference today.

This marks the second time in four years Oregonians have defeated attempts to shut down the state's largest producer of electricity.

''The electricity produced at Trojan is crucial in our commitment to provide our customers with safe, reliable and low-cost electricity,'' Harrison said. ''I think voters recognized this fact and voted accordingly.''

The loss of Trojan would have been felt immediately, Harrison said. Trojan supplies on average a minimum of 25 percent of the electricity used in its

service area and 15 percent of the electricity used in Oregon.

''Closing a plant that produces as much electricity as Bonneville Dam just when our electrical demands are greatest and when energy is the focus of worldwide concern could have created havoc in trying to meet the needs of Oregonians during the winter months,'' Harrison said. ''I also believe it would have sent a negative signal to companies looking at Oregon as a place to do business.''

Harrison took issue with accusations made by the shutdown measure's proponents during the campaign that Trojan was unsafe.

''No one should doubt my personal commitment to safety at Trojan nor the commitment of the more than 1,000 men and women who work at the plant,'' Harrison said. ''If there were any question in my mind on our ability to operate Trojan in a manner that assures me of its safety, I would shut it down.''

Harrison also disputed claims made by shutdown proponents that PGE could substitute Trojan's electricity immediately with conservation.

''PGE is already pursuing energy efficiency as its preferred source of power to meet growing electricity demand in the future,'' Harrison said. ''However, conservation and energy efficiency alone are not enough. Shutting down a large, operating plant that already produces low-cost and environmentally clean electricity just makes no sense.''

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FRESNO, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - WestAir Holding Inc. (ASE: WAH), operating as United Express through marketing agreements with United Air Lines (UAL), Wednesday reported preliminary traffic results for the month of October 1990.

The airline boarded 246,499 passengers during October, a 17 percent increase compared to the same month last year when the company boarded 209,900 customers.

Revenue passenger miles (RPM's) in October increased 22 percent from 44,096,000 in 1989 to 53,664,000 during October 1990. Available seat miles (ASM's) in October increased 24 percent from 105,705,000 in 1989 to 131,195,000 in 1990. Load factor for the month was 40.9 percent, down from the 41.7 percent figure logged during October 1989.

Through the first ten months of 1990, WestAir Holding Inc. boarded 2,411,218 passengers, 24 percent over the same period last year when 1,943,817 passengers were boarded. Revenue passenger miles for the ten months were up 33 percent, with 532,937,000 RPM's logged in 1990, compared to 400,809,000 during 1989.

Available seat miles through October were 1,210,039,000, up 36 percent compared to the 889,204,000 ASM's logged in 1989. Load factor during the first ten months of 1990 was 44.0 percent, down 1.1 percentage points compared to the 45.1 percent figure logged during the same period in 1989.

WestAir Holding Inc.'s airline units operate as United Express through marketing agreements with United Airlines. The company previously announced it is merging its two wholly owned subsidiaries into a single airline operation with a Pacific Coast Division and an Atlantic Coast Division.

WestAir Holding serves cities in the West and along the East Coast utilizing both jet and turbo-prop aircraft. The company's major hubs are Los Angeles, San Francisco, Fresno, Portland, Seattle, Sacramento, and Washington, D.C. WestAir Holding Inc. is headquartered in Fresno, Calif.

WESTAIR HOLDING INC. OCTOBER TRAFFIC (UNAUDITED)

Operating Highlights:	October 1990	October 1989	Percent Change
Passengers boarded	246,499	209,900	17
Revenue passenger miles (000)	53,664	44,096	22
Available seat miles (000)	131,195	105,705	24
Load factor	40.9 pct.	41.7 pct.	(.8) pts.

Year-to-Date through October 31, 1990

	10/31/90	10/31/89	Percent Change
Passengers boarded	2,411,218	1,943,817	24
Revenue passenger miles (000)	532,937	400,809	33
Available seat miles (000)	1,210,039	889,204	36
Load factor	44.0 pct.	45.1 pct.	(1.1) pts.

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OAKLAND, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Golden West Financial Corp., (NYSE/PSE/MSE:GDW) parent of World Savings and Loan Association, announced Wednesday that its board of directors voted to raise the company's quarterly cash dividend by 12.5 percent, to $.045 per share.

In making the announcement, Herbert M. Sandler, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Golden West, said: ''The Board felt that an increase in cash dividends is appropriate at this time in light of the Company's favorable earnings and strong capital position.''

He went on to say: ''The Company's principal subsidiary, World Savings, continues to be one of the most highly capitalized financial companies in the nation. World's capital exceeds not only current requirements, but also the stricter fully phased-in ratios which become effective in 1995.'' At Sept. 30 1990, the most recent quarter end, World's risk-based capital ratio was 13.8 percent.

The dividend is payable on Dec. 10, 1990, to holders of common stock of record on Nov. 16, 1990. Golden West previously paid cash dividends of 4 cents per share each quarter, amounting to an annual rate of 16 cents per share. The December payment brings the new indicated annual dividend rate to 18 cents per share.

Golden West is a savings and loan holding company with assets in excess of $21 billion. The company's principal subsidiary, World Savings and Loan Association, headquartered in Oakland, currently has 113 authorized offices in that state, 65 in Coloradao, 10 in Kansas, 7 in Texas and 6 in New Jersey.

A separate subsidiary, World Savings and Loan Association of Ohio, conducts business through eight facilities, while a third subsidiary, World Savings and Loan Association of America, located in the state of Washington, operates two branches in the Seattle area.

With a total of 211 offices, the Golden West system comprises one of the largest multi-state branch networks in the country. The company's stock is listed on the New York, Pacific and Midwest Stock Exchanges under the ticker symbol GDW. Options on Golden West's stock are traded on the Philadelphia Options Exchange.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (NOV. 7) BUISNESS WIRE - National Semiconductor Corp.'s Computer Enhancement Group (CEG) and LIR Corp. of San Jose, Calif., have signed a connectivity technology agreement that allows CEG to manufacture and market LIR's FPXTM family of intelligent communication boards worldwide.

The boards give standalone and networked PCs and PS/2s access to mainframe computers through the standard SNA communications protocol and X.25

packet-switched networks.

Under terms of the agreement, CEG will initially purchase the communications boards from LIR and offer them with CEG's software under the name LAN MicroNodeTM Gateway. The agreement also gives LIR the option of purchasing the boards from CEG, once the group begins manufacturing them.

The hardware technology license agreement with LIR allows CEG to expand its offering of connectivity system solutions for IBM PCs and compatibles, which include PC Ethernet, 3270 terminal emulation, PC fax and SNA gateway products. The agreement also gives LIR access to the latest IC technology from National Semiconductor.

LIR's FPX communications boards connect PCs to Wide Area Networks, and are used by OEMs and software developers for applications that include mainframe communications and terminal emulation. FPX boards are available for PC, PC/XT and PS/2 computers running DOS, OS/2 or UNIXTM System V.3 and for VME and MULTIBUSR environments.

National Semiconductor Corp. designs, manufactures and markets high-performance semiconductors and board-level connectivity products. Headquartered in Santa Clara, the company is a global leader in mixed analog-and-digital technologies. LIR Corporation, established in 1989, is a member of the Paris based LIR Group of companies, founded in 1979.

The LIR Group provides wide area data communications products and services with a particular focus on European and international standards in multi-vendor environments.

LIR has established itself in a position of European leadership for data communication software such as X.25 packets switching and OSI, and also provides connectivity for de-facto standards such as IBM's SNA and Bull's DSA. LIR also offers engineering and consulting services for domestic and export markets.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - People 62 and older now can travel at reduced rates on Alaska Airlines and sister carrier Horizon Air through the carriers' new discount coupon book program for seniors.

The books come in four- and eight-coupon packs and cost $464 and $776

respectively. They are good for travel up to one year after purchase.

Each coupon is good for one-way travel between any Alaska or Horizon destination within the Lower 48 states, between any Alaska Airlines-served communities in Alaska, and between Canada and the continental U.S. Two coupons are required for one-way travel between the state of Alaska and the continental U.S. or Canada.

Flight reservations must be made at least 14 days in advance of desired departure date. Seats are limited and partially used books are non-refundable. Coupons, each ticketed in the name of one person, cannot be transferred. Other restrictions apply.

To illustrate the savings they represent, consider that a four-coupon book -- when used on two round trips between Seattle and Phoenix -- is some 30 percent less than the current lowest published round trip fare. Similarly, an eight-coupon book -- when used on two round trips between Anchorage and Palm Springs -- is more than 40 percent less than the current lowest published fare.

Senior citizens also are eligible for another, separate discount on Alaska and Horizon. The two carriers offer passengers 62 and older a 10 percent discount on most published fares. The discount applies to companion travelers as well, regardless of age.

Seattle-based Alaska and Horizon serve more than 60 cities in Alaska, Mexico and seven Western states.

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PALO ALTO, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Varian Associates Inc. (NYSE:VAR) Wednesday announced that it has signed a letter of intent to sell its Solid State Operations to Litton Industries.

Completion of the transaction is subject to a number of conditions, including the execution of a definitive agreement. The price and terms were not disclosed.

Varian's Solid State Operations are based in Santa Clara, Calif., where they produce gallium arsenide devices and solid state microwave and other equipment for radar, communications, and defense applications. The operations had annual sales of approximately $20 million in fiscal 1990.

The activities to be sold are included in a number of non-core businesses and

product lines which Varian indicated it would divest under a restructuring program announced earlier this year.

Varian Associates Inc., is a diversified high-technology company with annual sales of $1.4 billion with offices and facilities throughout the United States and in five other countries. It produces equipment and components for communications, scientific, medical, industrial and defense markets worldwide.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Arden Group Inc. (NASDAQ:ARDNA) Wednesday released its sales and income figures for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 compared with the previous year.

Arden Group currently operates 13 Gelson's and Mayfair supermarkets in Southern California. Telautograph Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary, manufactures, markets and services communications equipment and distributes swimming pool supplies.

Arden Group Inc. and consolidated subsidiary

	Third quarter 1990/a	Third quarter 1989/a
Sales	$ 83,000,000	$ 86,000,000
Operating income	4,853,000	5,911,000/b
Interest income (expense), net	32,000	(200,000)
Other income (expense), net	(4,000)	(51,000)
Income before income taxes	4,881,000	5,660,000
Income tax provision	(1,980,000)	(2,399,000)
Net income	$ 2,901,000	$ 3,261,000
Net income per common share	$ 1.77	$ 1.99
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	1,598,039	1,600,609

	Thirty-nine weeks 1990/a	Thirty-nine weeks 1989/a
Sales	$249,000,000	$260,000,000
Operating income	14,825,000/b	17,216,000/b
Interest income (expense), net	(253,000)	(806,000)
Other income (expense), net	1,805,000/c	(190,000)
Income before income		

taxes and extraordinary item	16,377,000	16,220,000
Income tax provision	(6,573,000)	(6,866,000)
Income before extraordinary item	9,804,000	9,354,000
Extraordinary income	---	16,000
Net income	$ 9,804,000	$ 9,370,000
Income per common share:		
Before extraordinary item	$ 6.00	$ 5.71
Extraordinary income	---	1 cent
Net income	$ 6.00	$ 5.72
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	1,598,369	1,598,250

(a) Third quarter 1990 ended Sept. 29, 1990, and third quarter 1989 ended Sept. 30, 1989.
(b) Includes pretax gains on sale of property, net of related closing costs of $ 1,593,000 for the third quarter of 1989 and $ 784,000 and $ 3,573,000 for the 39 weeks of 1990 and 1989, respectively.
(c) Other income in 1990 includes a gain of $ 1,685,000 on the sale of securities held for investment.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Daniel Industries Inc. (NYSE:DAN) announced that during the last 90 days, its flow measurement group has been awarded contracts in excess of $30 million for oil and gas measurement systems.

The design and manufacturing of these systems will be performed at Daniel plants located in Houston and Larbert, Scotland. The equipment is destined for international oil and gas development projects located in the North Sea, Europe, the Middle East, Africa and Southeast Asia.

Daniel Industries Inc. is a major international supplier of fluid measurement products and systems principally for oil and natural gas producers, transporters and refiners. The company also manufactures and sells alloy stud bolts and gaskets, pipeline valves, gas lift equipment, flanges and steam generation packages.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Z-Nix Co. Inc. Wednesday announced that it has filed an antitrust complaint against Microsoft in the U.S. District Court in Los Angeles.

Z-Nix is also seeking a declaratory judgment confirming the validity of a contract between the two companies.

Z-Nix is a supplier of advanced computer input devices and accessories, with headquarters in Pomona and distribution worldwide. The company's major customers include Tandy Corp., CompuAdd, Commodore Europe and PC Brand.

The complaint filed against thee Redmond, Wash.-based software giant claims that Microsoft is in violation of antitrust law under Section 1 of the Sherman Act. In Section 1, the law against ''tie-in'' prohibits a company in control of one market (in this case, the Windows market) from using its position to control another (the mouse market).

Z-Nix also claims that Microsoft is in breach of a contract agreement between the two companies for bundling the Z-Nix Super Mouse II with Windows 3.0.

Frank Yeh, vice president of sales and marketing at Z-Nix, said: ''While we negotiated in good faith and began executing marketing programs against an agreement, Microsoft was using its market clout to muscle us out of another market. The little company has no chance playing with these rules on Microsoft's field.''

Thomas T. Chan, attorney for Z-Nix and noted expert on software distribution law, said, ''It's time for us to stand up to Microsoft's unfair trade practices, and stop the slow death of innovation in this industry.''

Chan described the chronology of events that culminated in the legal action:

December 1989 -- Microsoft contacted Z-Nix regarding patent infringement by its Super Mouse II product.

February 1990 -- Microsoft sent a proposal for settlement; Z-Nix agreed with minor changes.

March 1990 -- Microsoft responded with a second proposal for resolution, this one even more restrictive than the first.

June 1990 -- Z-Nix filed for a patent on the redesign of Super Mouse II.

Yeh noted that: ''Instead of negotiating toward a compromise, we went backwards to a much more restrictive agreement. We subsequently discovered

that this is typical of negotiating with Microsoft.''

According to Chan, Z-Nix executives were also working with different Microsoft staff on an unrelated agreement to bundle the Z-Nix Super Mouse II with Windows 3.0:

August 1990 -- Microsoft gave Z-Nix a quote of $27.50 for royalties on the bundling deal. Z-Nix agreed and, while the contract was being formalized, proceeded with ambitious plans to market the bundled product.

Chan noted that Z-Nix relied on its agreement in principal with Microsoft and proceeded in good faith to execute its marketing plans and accept purchase orders based on the agreed-upon price from Microsoft.

Z-Nix Co. was founded in 1985 as the distributor for Jow-Dian Enterprises, a Taiwanese manufacturer of computer input devices. Z-Nix is now a privately owned U.S. company, developing and marketing a line of input/pointing devices. The company's products include the Super Mouse II, the FasTrak trackball and the Z-Scan hand-held scanner.

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MILPITAS, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - California Micro Devices Corp. (NASDAQ:CAMD) Wednesday reported a net loss of $704,000, or 17 cents per share for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with income of $425,000, or 10 cents per share, for the like quarter in fiscal 1989.

Revenue for the quarter was $7,103,000, a decrease of 15 percent from last year's $8,396,000 for the like period.

''Operational results for the company's Thin Film operations in Milpitas, California compared favorably to those for the first quarter of last year,'' said Chan Desaigoudar, chairman and chief executive officer.

''Revenue and profits for the Thin Film Division rebounded significantly. More than 80 percent of the revenue increase is attributed to substantial completion of our inkjet printhead production tooling contract.''

''The Microcircuits Division in Tempe, Arizona suffered a 49 percent drop in revenue attributed primarily to reduced volume and price erosion on several existing telecommunication products.

''This decline in revenue severely affected the profitability of the division.

In response to the lower levels of available semiconductor business additions cost reduction programs, which were implemented last quarter, continue to be in effect.

''The Vanguard Semiconductor Division, while keeping research and development costs in line with those of last year, experienced delays in new product introduction releases which also adversely affected anticipated revenue for the quarter. Increased efforts to complete new products that are currently in the design stage are underway,'' added Desaigoudar.

A high-performance, microelectronics component technology company, California Micro Devices designs, manufactures, and markets a wide range of microelectronic components through its Thin Film, Microcircuits and Vanguard Semiconductor divisions. These components are marketed to communications, computer, disk drive, industrial, medical, aerospace and military customers.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Wells Fargo Bank Wednesday announced it will form three new retail banking divisions in Southern California in an effort to focus its customer service and community involvement more closely on local markets.

The three divisions, named for the regions they represent in Los Angeles, Orange County and San Diego, replace the previous arrangement of one Southern California branch division, with headquarters in Los Angeles.

Executive vice president Lois Rice, 50, has been named manager of the 85-branch Los Angeles division, which also includes 16 offices in Ventura, Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties.

Rice, a Southern California native, began with Wells Fargo at its Ventura office in 1967. She later became regional manager for the San Gabriel Valley and also managed the bank's largest commercial banking branches statewide.

Most recently she served as manager of the bank's Central California division, with headquarters in San Francisco. The Central California division included 176 branches with deposits of more than $14 billion in San Francisco, Oakland, and communities south along the coast to King City and Bakersfield north to Lodi. Rice became an executive vice president in 1989, one of three women currently with this title.

Senior Vice President Larry Crabtree has been named manager of a new Orange County division, with headquarters in Irvine. The division includes 37 Wells

Fargo offices in Orange County and 21 offices in Los Angeles County.

At the completion of Wells Fargo's purchase of Great American Bank's branches in Orange, Riverside, and San Diego counties, another 12 Great American offices in Orange County will join Crabtree's division, making a total of 70 offices in his area.

Wells Fargo expects to close the first phase of a planned 130-branch purchase from Great American on or about Friday, Nov. 30. The transaction received approval from Great American shareholders on Thursday, Oct. 18, and still requires approval from federal regulatory agencies.

Before joining Wells Fargo as a branch manager in 1983, Crabtree served 13 years on the Downey and Los Angeles police forces and later as the head of his own security company.

At Wells Fargo, Crabtree has managed four branches and four districts in the Los Angeles area, including most recently the Wilshire district, which covers West Los Angeles.

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FREMONT, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Optical Specialties Inc. (OSI) has received notice that effective Oct. 19, 1990, OSI has been deleted from the NASDAQ system.

OSI (NASDAQ:OSIX) was deleted from the system because the company was not in compliance with NASDAQ's capital and surplus requirement.

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DALLAS (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Hinderliter Industries Inc. (AMEX:HND) announced Wednesday a year-end loss for fiscal year ending June 30 of $8,362,000, compared to a loss for the same period a year earlier of $24,000.

The loss amounted to $2.32 per share compared to a loss of 1 cent per share in 1989. Hinderliter intends to mail its annual report to the shareholders before the end of November.

Richard H. Hughes, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Hinderliter, stated that the 1990 loss resulted from Hinderliter's commitment to divest of all assets unrelated to its 80 percent owned subsidiary, Corken International Corp., and to reserve for all contingencies.

Hughes pointed out that the company's operating profit before consideration of non-recurring charges was $547,000 in 1990 compared to an operating loss of $206,000 in 1989.

Of the non-recurring charges incurred in 1990, approximately $3.7 million related to Hinderliter's litigation with Signal Capital Corp.; $800,000 to the termination of all refinancing activities, including withdrawal of an S-1 Filing; and $900,000 for retirement, severance and relocation costs.

Hinderliter's operational profit in 1990 improved over 1989 by $753,000 before consideration to these one-time charges.

Hinderliter previously announced that an adverse verdict was rendered in the State Court of San Antonio for approximately $3.3 million relating to legal fees and trial expenses in the counter-claim lawsuit by Signal Capital Corp. against Hinderliter, which arose from Hinderliter's $28 million lender liability suit against Signal Capital Corp.

Hughes said that the company intends to vigorously appeal the verdict, and at the present time, the court plans to hear arguments on the verdict on Dec. 17. Consequently, Arthur Andersen's audit has been prepared assuming that the company will continue as a going concern.

Hughes also said that Hinderliter is exploring all options to protect Hinderliter's shareholders, assuming the jury verdict becomes a judgment, including but not limited to, seeking protection by filing for a Plan of Reorganization in Bankruptcy under Chapter 11.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Spike Jones Jr., president of Jones/Naughton Entertainment (Valencia Capital Inc.) announced Wednesday that an agreement has been reached between Jones/Naughton Entertainment and Twin Star Productions for distribution, over television, of "Give Your Face A Hug!" Jones/Naughton's initial infomercial marketing the skin care line of Vera Brown.

Twin Star, a leader in the field of distributing infomercials, has agreed to test the program in the following markets: Los Angeles, Phoenix, Chicago,

Boston, Washington D.C., New Jersey, and Buffalo. Following the success of the program in these specific markets, a national roll-out is contemplated.

Jones/Naughton Entertainment is traded as Valencia Capital Inc. over-the-counter in the pink sheets.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - United Security Financial Corp. of Illinois (NASDAQ:UNSE) reported operating results for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as follows:

	Third Quarter Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Revenue from premiums	$4,852,800	$3,565,000
Total revenues	5,431,600	4,105,800
Net income (loss)	$ (606,800)	$ 273,400
Earnings per share	(7 cents)	3 cents
Average shares outstanding	8,732,959	8,732,959

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Revenue from premiums	$12,953,700	$10,230,100
Total revenues	16,648,400	12,369,200
Net income (loss)	$ (309,000)	$ 1,333,400
Earnings per share	(4 cents)	15 cents
Average shares outstanding	8,732,959	8,732,959

The third quarter loss resulted from continuing adverse claims costs experienced by the third party administered group medical business and the resulting increase in the company's claims reserves over previously established levels.

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FREMONT, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Vicom Systems Inc. and Sun Microsystems Inc. announced Wednesday a joint marketing and development agreement.

Under the agreement Vicom will license Sun's SunVision visualization software package for distribution with its MASTER Data Visualization Server, and the

two companies will cooperate in a technology exchange involving high speed bus interfaces. The agreement also calls for joint marketing activities in selected markets.

SunVision is an integrated visualization environment consisting of application programming interfaces for image processing and high quality rendering, and interactive tools for image processing, high quality rendering, volume rendering, and 3-D interactive graphics.

The MASTER Data Visualization Server is an enabling technology for distributed image processing applications. It provides high speed connectivity, bulk storage, and video rate display processing in a standards environment.

According to Rick Seaman, Vicom's vice president of Marketing, ''We think the relationship makes good strategic sense. The product lines are complementary and the agreement gives both companies access to a broader line and a faster time to market.''

Mary C. Whitton, Sun's director of Marketing for visualization and imaging products, stated: ''Vicom is a leader in the imaging market and their adoption of SunVision is important to us. SunVision running on Vicom's MASTER product, with its ability to handle very large data sets efficiently, allows SunVision to reach a new segment of the visualization market.''

Vicom Systems Inc. is a privately held manufacturer of image processing hardware and software products. Located in Fremont, the company has over 5,500 installations throughout the world involved in all aspects of image processing applications.

Sun Microsystems Inc., with headquarters in Mountain View, is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

SunVision is a registered trademark of Sun Microsystems Inc. UNIX is a registered trademark of AT&T. MASTER is a registered trademark of Vicom Systems Inc.

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FREMONT, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Ron Cornell has joined Vicom Systems

Inc. as the vice president of Engineering reporting to the President and Chief Executive Officer, Al Winegar.

He will be responsible for all engineering of Vicom's 9000 series, VME Series, Pixar Series and Master Series of digital image processing systems.

Cornell joins Vicom with a doctorate in electrical engineering from Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y., and was formerly the president and chief executive officer at Omni Solutions Inc. and vice president of Deskside and Server Engineering at Sun Microsystems Inc.

Vicom Systems Inc. is a privately held manufacturer of image processing hardware and software products. Located in Fremont, the company has over 5,500 installations throughout the world involved in all aspects of image processing applications.

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COLUMBUS, OH (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - In a restructuring move designed to substantially boost cash flow and consolidate company operations, Rax Restaurants (NASDAQ/NMS:RAXR) is shutting down and selling all its restaurants in Florida.

''Florida has continued to be a cash drain and to drag down overall sales and company profitability,'' said Ira A. Hermann, president and chief executive officer of Rax Restaurants Inc. ''Rax didn't have the market penetration in the state to afford advertising and this limited our ability to compete in Florida's high-cost and highly competitive market.''

Hermann said the closing of the company's 26 remaining Florida stores, a move approved Nov. 2 by the Rax board of directors, caps off a far-reaching program for the restructuring of operations to improve cash flow.

''The consolidation is a key, major step in Rax's restructuring and permits us to focus our attention on our strongest market area, the Midwest,'' said Hermann. ''While Rax's 1990 financial statements will show a substantial loss that includes a loss from the closing of these stores and its earlier closed stores in Louisiana, this move is a critical step in the company's efforts to improve cash flow and return Rax to profitability.''

Other recent restructuring efforts include a September corporate staff reduction of 25 percent, the pending disposition of its office building to the mortgagor, and an earlier write-off to close Rax company stores in Louisiana.

The closings announced Wednesday combined with other streamlining efforts should boost cash flow by approximately $4.5 million annually. In addition, the company also is pursuing other avenues to increase its cash flow further, Hermann said.

Several companies already have expressed interest in the Florida properties and Rax officials say these stores are especially attractive in that market because of impact fees on new construction assessed by several Florida counties.

While company-store operations in Florida will end, 15 franchised Rax stores presently intend to continue operating in the state.

Rax Restaurants Inc. owns, operates, develops and franchises restaurants that feature a variety of specialty sandwiches and other fast foods. Rax has company-owned and franchised stores in 29 U.S. states and in Canada. Incorporated in 1977, the publicly held company is traded over-the-counter on the NASDAQ National Market System under the RAXR symbol.

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MENLO PARK, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Cisco Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: CSCO), a manufacturer of internetworking computer systems, Wednesday reported its first quarter results for the period ended Oct. 28, 1990.

Net revenue for the first fiscal quarter was $32,761,000 and net income was $7,924,000, or 51 cents per share. This compares to net revenue of $14,082,000 and net income of $2,519,000, or 20 cents per share in the like period last year, and are increases of 133 percent, 215 percent and 155 percent, respectively.

Earnings per share for the period reflected the issuance of 2,850,000 shares issued by the company in its public offering in February 1990.

"The company's first quarter revenue and profit growth accelerated over that of the immediately preceding July quarter and was helped by increased shipments of the company's new high-end AGS+ product line and greater acceptance of computer internetworking concepts," said John Morgridge, Cisco's president and chief executive officer.

Cisco and Leonard Bosack and Sandra Lerner also announced today that Bosack and Lerner have resigned as officers and employees of Cisco and will become consultants to the company through December 1991.

Bosack, who will remain a director of Cisco, stated that: "Sandy and I founded Cisco in 1984 and have thoroughly enjoyed participating in its achievements. We would now like to move on to new entrepreneurial activities in a non-competing area."

John Morgridge chief executive officer of Cisco said: "Len and Sandy, as founders, have made a significant contribution to Cisco's success and it is our intent to continue to draw on their counsel on technical and strategic issues. We will, of course, continue to benefit from Len's participation as a Board member and we wish Len and Sandy all the best in their new endeavors."

In connection with their change in status, the company and its financial backer, Sequoia Capital, have granted Besack and Lerner the right to request a secondary offering of shares, the timing of which is likely to be in the first calendar quarter of 1991.

It is currently contemplated that such offering would be for up to a total of 3,000,000 shares, of which up to 25 percent would be available for Sequoia Capital, a current holder of registration rights, and that the company would not include any shares in such offering.

Cisco Systems Inc. is a leading supplier of high-performance, multi-media and multi-protocol routers, bridges and terminal servers.

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AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Tracor Applied Sciences Inc., a subsidiary of Tracor, has received a contract from the Naval Coastal Systems Center (NCSC), Panama City, Fla., to provide acoustic simulation and modeling services to support U.S. Navy Acoustic Warfare Programs.

The contract is for one base year, representing $3.36 million, and four option years for a total potential value of $17.5 million.

K. Bruce Hamilton, president of Tracor Applied Sciences, said, ''Tracor will provide the simulation and modeling disciplines necessary to support NCSC in weapons and countermeasures development programs.''

Tracor has provided acoustic simulation and modeling support for NCSC Acoustic Warfare programs since 1973. Hamilton said the contract will be performed by the Tracor Applied Sciences' Analysis & Applied Research Division under the direction of Homer E. Wieland, division vice president, from its operations in

Austin, Texas; and Panama City. Wieland said the program will be managed by Terry D. Plemons under the direction of Jerry J. Dow, director of Signal Processing.

Tracor, owned by privately held Westmark Systems Inc. is an international technological products and services company with headquarters in Austin. The company is a significant engineering and support contractor in sonar, communications, and aviation; a leader in the development and production of electronic countermeasures systems and other advanced defense electronics; and a major manufacturer of electrical components.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Argonaut Group Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:AGII) Wednesday announced that 10,574 shares of its common stock were acquired at $69.00 per share in response to the extension of its offer to purchase shares of its common stock from shareholders who, as of Aug. 9, owned 50 or fewer shares of Argonaut Group common stock.

A total of 30,829 shares were purchased under the program.

Argonaut Group Inc. is a holding company whose subsidiaries are engaged primarily in the selling, underwriting and servicing of workers compensation and other lines of property-casualty insurance.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Telecredit Inc. (NASDAQ:TCRD) announced Wednesday that it has adjourned its shareholders meeting called for the purpose of voting on the merger agreement between Telecredit and Equifax Inc. (NYSE:EFX).

The merger agreement provides for an exchange ratio of 2.69048 shares of Equifax common stock for each share of Telecredit common stock. Under the merger agreement, a condition of Telecredit's obligation to complete the merger is that 2.69048 shares of Equifax common stock have a market value of at least $50 based upon the average price during a specified period.

The market value of 2.69048 shares of Equifax common stock for the purposes of

this condition is less than $50. Equifax and Telecredit are currently having discussions to determine whether a revision of the exchange ratio is appropriate.

Telecredit provides check authorization, credit card processing and other payment services to retail merchants, financial institutions and others in the United States and Canada.

Equifax is the leading provider of information services and systems for consumer financial transactions throughout the United States and Canada.

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IRVINE, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Toshiba engineers have announced a revolutionary new battery technology that not only provides users of portable computers with up to 80 percent more power per unit weight of competitors' nickel cadmium (NiCad) batteries, but does away with the so-called ''memory effect'' that limits the capacity of earlier rechargeable cells.

The new batteries are based on a nickel-metal hydride formulation based on the electrochemical properties of a hydrogen-absorbing alloy. This alloy becomes metal hydride during the charging of the battery by absorbing relatively large volumes of hydrogen -- a reaction that is reversed during the discharge cycle.

The operating voltage for the new nickel hydride battery is 1.2 volts, providing compatibility with NiCad in its varous applications.

The implications for users of Toshiba laptop and notebook computers is clear: even more freedom and flexibility than they have enjoyed.

The capacity of the positive electrode determines the useful capacity of the battery. Like NiCad cells, nickel hydride batteries are completely enclosed structures, with positive and negative electrodes sealed in with a liquid eletrolyte.

Unlike NiCad, however, the charge capacity of the negative pole -- the hydrogen-absorbing alloy -- is far higher than that of the positive pole material. This means that a much larger quantity of positive pole material can be contained within the balanced, enclosed structure, allowing for a significant increase in the volume of the positive electrode and, hence, in the charge capacity.

The nickel hydride battery exhibits almost flat voltage characteristics throughout the discharge period. Its discharge voltage of 1.2V is closely equivalent to that of NiCad batteries, assuring compatibility. After 500 complete charge/discharge cycles, no large drop of battery capacity can be observed.

NiCad battery systems have been known to exhibit a condition referred to as ''memory'' which does not exist with the new nickel hydride batteries.

Therefore, nickel hydride batteries often accept a fuller charge than their NiCad counterparts. When recharged before full discharge, NiCads may mistakenly ''remember'' this partial charge level as the full discharge point.

As a result, NiCads fail to return to full power on the next recharge, which greatly reduces battery life. Only through repetitive complete discharge/recharge cycles can the NiCad batteries be returned to their original life. Nickel hydride batteries may be charged/discharged to various levels with no adverse affects.

Toshiba America Information Systems Inc. (TAIS) is an independent operating company, owned by Toshiba America Inc., a subsidiary of the $29 billion Toshiba Corp. world leader in high technology products with 71 major subsidiaries worldwide.

With headquarters in Irvine with 1989 sales exceeding $900 million, TAIS is comprised of eight divisions which manufacture and market a wide a range of business and information-oriented products.

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IRVINE, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The Computer Systems Division of Toshiba America Information Systems Inc. has added a new member to its full line of portable computers with the introduction of the T1000LE, a 6.5 pound notebook featuring built-in hard disk and diskette drives.

The T1000LE is shipping now, at a suggested retail price of $2,499.

Designed to offer the best value in terms of performance, dependability, weight and price, the T1000LE is the ideal machine for traveling professionals writers and students requiring word processing, electronic mail or

spreadsheet abilities in a highly portable package.

The T1000LE comes equipped with a 9.54-megahertz 80C86 processor, and runs for three hours on a standard removable, rechargeable slim-line battery pack. An optional second battery extends the computer's battery life to five hours.

The T1000LE is the third member of Toshiba's 80C86-based notebook family, which includes the T1000SE and the T1000XE. The new entry brings Toshiba's notebook line to six members including the 80C88-based T1000, the 80C286-based T1200XE and the 80386SX-based T2000SX. The T1000SE features a single diskette drive and the T1000XE a hard disk drive. The T1000LE includes both a 20MB hard disk drive and an internal 1.44MB diskette drive.

With the introduction of the T1000LE, Toshiba has announced price reductions on the T1000SE and T1000XE. Previously $1,699 and $2,399 consecutively, the T1000SE now retails for $1,499, and the T1000XE for $2,199. Also reduced from $599 to $499 is the price of the 1MB memory card for the T1000LE, T1000SE and T1000XE.

The T1000LE's sidelit liquid crystal display (LCD) with 640 x 400 pixel graphics and AT&T mode, provides superior graphics compared to CGA displays when using popular software such as Lotus 1-2-3, Harvard Graphics, Microsoft Word and Microsoft Windows. It also offers optimum readability due to its superior brightness. In addition, the double-scan CGA capability provides better on-screen fonts.

For ultimate ease-of-use, the T1000LE features AutoResume (tm), which saves time and battery power by remembering the place the user was working when the computer was last turned off, eliminating the need to reboot or reload the application program or data file. In addition, Toshiba's T1000LE is equipped with hypertext on-line documentation.

The T1000LE continues Toshiba's tradition of offering the industry's best portable computer keyboards. The T1000LE's 82-key, sculptured keyboard with full-size, standard-spaced keys, offers the user advantages in both layout and number of keys. There are also 12 dedicated function keys and eight dedicated cursor control keys as well as a special Fn key for extended functions. The arrow keys are arranged in the standard, easy-to-use ''inverted T'' pattern with separate keys for home, page-up, page-down and end.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The SAFECO Corp. (OTC:SAFC) Wednesday announced a dividend of 34 cents per share on its common stock, payable Jan. 28, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 11, 1991.

The dividend is the same as the previous quarter.

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DENVER (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Hallwood Energy Partners L.P., (AMEX:HEP) Wednesday reported revenues totalling $18,568,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the period was $1,380,000, or 13 cents per unit. These amounts compare to revenue, net loss and net loss per unit of $14,872,000, $(1,162,000) and $(.16) for the third quarter of 1989. Cash flow from earnings during the third quarter of 1990 was 79 cents per unit, and HEP declared a 40 cents per unit distribution payable Nov. 15, 1990.

The increase in revenues is attributable to a 5 percent increase in production coupled with a subsantial increase in oil prices. Oil prices averaged $23.77 per barrel in 1990 (including the effects of hedge transactions entered into during the third quarter of 1990) as compared to $17.70 in 1989. Gas prices averaged $1.46 in 1990 vs. $1.48 in 1989.

The improved earnings in 1990 also reflect a $1,200,000 decline in general and administrative expenses which has resulted from operating efficiencies achieved by the general partner after the merger with Energy Development Partners Ltd. completed in the second quarter of 1990.

HEP also announced that during the third quarter of 1990 it had entered into financial contracts for oil hedging transactions for the last quarter of 1990, the year 1991 and the first two quarters of 1992. The transactions involve approximately 120,000, 536,000 and 147,000 barrels of oil which represent approximately 50 percent, 60 percent, and 40 percent of the forecasted crude oil production during the last quarter of 1990, the year 1991 and the first two quarters of 1992,

respectively.

The contracted prices, after adjustments for the differential between field posting price and the contract price, transportation charges and oil gravity differentials, is expected to range from $23 to $24 per barrel for the barrels hedged.

By hedging a portion of its oil production, HEP intends to mitigate against the risk of future declines in oil prices, while ensuring that its oil is sold at a profitable price which will help provide stable cash flow to meet its near term development and distribution goals.

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IRVINE, Calif. (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - CMS Enhancements Inc. (NYSE:CME) Wednesday announced lower net sales and lower net income for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter were $33,186,000 compared with $42,932,000 for the same quarter a year ago. Net income for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $17,000, or 1 cent per share, compared with $857,000, or 27 cents per share, for the same quarter last year.

Per-share calculations for the first quarter of fiscal-year 1990 have been adjusted to reflect the 1-for-4 ''reverse'' split of Dec. 5, 1989.

''Our first quarter's sales and results were impacted by the continued very competitive environment within our industry, combined with expenses of our Singapore manufacturing operations.

''In addition, expenses incurred to move into expanded facilities in Irvine were realized during the first quarter and will continue into the second quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990,'' said Jim Farooquee, president and chief executive officer of CMS.

Farooquee went on to say, ''Fiscal 1991 will be a challenging year for us but we continue to feel cautiously optimistic.''

CMS Enhancements is a producer and worldwide marketer of mass data storage devices and accessories for virtually all major brands of personal and laptop computers. The company markets its products through dealers and distributors in more than 60 countries.

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SAN JOSE, Calif. (BUSINESS WIRE - Maxtor Corp. (NASDAQ:MXTR) Wednesday agreed to issue a four-year, 13 percent subordinate promissory note of approximately $13 million to Standard Chartered Bank, London.

In addition, Standard Chartered will receive a warrant to purchase Maxtor shares. The bank also has agreed to pay Maxtor approximately $840,000 to resolve issues that arose during the MiniScribe asset acquisition, completed June 30 of this year.

Standard Chartered Bank was the principal lender to MiniScribe Corp., Longmont Colo. Maxtor had agreed to purchase MiniScribe's assets for $21.5 million in cash and $20 million worth of Maxtor stock.

Maxtor had earlier agreed that if the shares were not registered until after June 30, additional shares would have to be issued so that total value of the shares would be $20 million as of the registration date.

Maxtor issued 1,423,488 shares to the bank on June 30. The company said the note is being issued in lieu of the additional shares that would have to be delivered to bring the value of the shares up to $20 million.

For example, if the share registration were to become effective today, with Maxtor's stock price at approximately $5 a share, 2.6 million additional shares would have to be issued to the bank.

''We believe this note is in the best interest of our shareholders,'' said David M. Kowalski, Maxtor's vice president of finance. ''It allows us to avoid issuing a large number of shares at a low stock price, thereby protecting our shareholders.''

Maxtor also will issue warrants to the bank to purchase approximately 1.1 million shares of Maxtor stock at a price of about $12, exercisable after two years. In certain circumstances, Maxtor would have the right to put the warranted shares to the bank.

The exact principal amount of the note and the number of shares and exercise price of the warrant will be based on Maxtor's share price on the date the registration statement becomes effective for the shares previously issued to the bank.

Maxtor Corp., San Jose, was founded in 1982. Maxtor designs and manufactures high-performance Winchester and optical data storage products in San Jose; Longmont, Colo.; Singapore; Hong Kong and Malaysia.

Its products range from 40 megabytes to more than 2 gigabytes capacity and are designed for desktop and portable computer systems, workstations, local area networks and mainframes. Maxtor employs more than 9,000 people worldwide.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The Harper Group Inc. (OTC/NASDAQ:HARG) Wednesday reported financial results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Third quarter 1990 revenue increased 14 percent to $110,464,000 compared to $96,694,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Net income rose 13 percent to $4,481,000, or 47 cents per share, vs. $3,959,000, or 42 cents per share for the third quarter 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenue grew 9 percent to $319,048,000 compared to $292,366,000 for the like period in 1989. Net income increased 18 percent to $12,970,000, or $1.36 per share, from $10,946,000, or $1.16 per share, reported for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income included an after tax gain in the 1990 first quarter of $552,000, or 6 cents per share, on the sale of property in Japan.

Third quarter results reflect increased revenues and income from operations, and improved yields on airfreight business. Business acquired from Livingston International Freight Ltd. in the United Kingdom in the second quarter of 1990 while contributing to increases in revenue and net revenue, did not contribute to operating income during the third quarter.

The company continues to implement cost saving measures and anticipates the Livingston operations to be profitable during the fourth quarter.

The Harper Group is a leader in the global movement of goods, information and value-added services. Its key subsidiaries include Circle Freight International, Harper Robinson & Co., and Baxter Gruenhut Management Ltd.

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IRVINE, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Logic Research Inc. (NASDAQ:AALR) Wednesday introduced five families of the ALR POWERPRO.

Based on the Intel 33-MHz i486 and EISA-bus, the new product families

incorporate a scaleable cache and dual processor upgrade path to accommodate two 33-MHz i486 microprocessors and up to 1-MB of ALR ServerCache on a single 12-slot system board. Additionally, the ALR POWERPRO can expand up to 49-MB of RAM on the system board using industry-standard SIMMs.

Positioned to support high-performance requirements in a broad range of network server and data-intensive multiuser environments, the ALR POWERPRO is strategically aimed to compete with Compaq's SYSTEMPRO.

The high-performance ALR POWERPRO, from single i486-based models to dual i486 configurations, delivers a range of processing performance from 14.7 to 40 MIPS.

At its highest configuration level, its efficiency is twice that of a single-processor approach when running under operating environments like SCO UNIX/System V386 Release 3.2 with SCO's MPX multiprocessor software. Furthermore, the ALR POWERPRO offers an industry-standard platform capable of supporting off-the-shelf SCO UNIX applications.

As a Novell network server, the ALR POWERPRO single-processor system provides the performance compatibility with minicomputers as well as the storage capacity and power source security needed to tackle the intense applications found in this environment.

Disk mirroring, disk duplexing and disk spanning are among the many advanced features the ALR POWERPRO supports when using Novell NetWare 386 or any of the popular network operating systems.

The ALR POWERPRO, using the ALR Intellimux system, can have up to 130 users sharing resources in complex department database applications. In addition, the ALR POWERPRO hard drive expansion can be increased up to 10-Gigabytes to handle large departmental databases and productivity applications.

Available in a variety of configurations, the ALR POWERPRO has a suggested retail price ranging from $7,495 to just below $25,000.

Systems are shipped in a floor-standing chassis with either a single or dual 33-MHz i486 processor(s); 5- or 17-MB of 64-bit RAM using industry-standard SIMMs expandable to 49-MB; 12 expansion slots; eight EISA, two ISA and two ALR proprietary; from 64-KB and 128-KB expandable to 1-MB scaleable read/write-back cache RAM; two serial ports expandable to 130 user stations; a 1.2-MB 5 1/4-inch floppy drive; and either an embedded IDE 80-, ESDI 150-, 330- or 650-MB and 32-bit EISA Bus Master SCSI 1.2-GB hard disk drive option.

Shipments are forecasted for first-quarter 1991 and will be available through a select group of qualified resellers. Twelve-month optional on-site and extended warranty options are available for these systems.

The ALR POWERPRO 486/33 Models 1 and 80 offer a buy-back incentive program providing customers a rebate toward the purchase to upgrade to dual processing. For the return of their 33-MHz i486 CPU Module and 64-KB CachePak card, customers will receive $1,000 direct from ALR.

The ALR POWERPRO systems will be featured during the COMDEX '90 exhibition at the Las Vegas Convention Center in booth 1886.

Advanced Logic Research is a leader in high-performance CPU technology. The company carries a comprehensive line of ISA-, Micro Channel- and EISA-based PCs ranging from entry-level 12.5-MHz 286 computers to 33-MHz 386 and 33-MHz i486-based high-performance systems and multiprocessor systems based on UNIX and Novell.

ALR products can be purchased through value-added resellers, value-added dealers, major chains and retail locations throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Mexico, Latin America and Asia.

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CULVER CITY, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Showscan Corp. (NASDAQ:SHOW) reported significantly lower revenues for its second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, according to an announcement by President and Chief Executive Officer Roy Aaron.

Revenues for the quarter were $618,000 with a net loss of $1.3 million, or 44 cents loss per share, as compared with revenues of $10.3 million with a profit of $36,000, or 1 cent per share, for the second quarter of the previous year; 70 percent of the previous year's second-quarter revenue was attributed to non-recurring production of a specialty film.

Aaron said that the second-quarter results are not representative of the company's current business and prospects, as no systems were shipped during the quarter due to a variety of internal, external and customer-requested delays, most of which are now resolved.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, the company reported revenues of $3.7 million with a net loss of $2.2 million, or 75 cents loss per share, compared with revenues of $17.1 million with a profit of $162,000, or 5 cents per share for the previous year. The previous year's six-month revenues included $10.4 million in non-recurring production of specialty films.

Showscan develops and supplies advanced image and experiential technologies to

stimulate, entertain and educate the public. It is also developing products for use in high-definition television.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The 1990 Nintendo Tour de Fun is set to arrive in New York Wednesday on the last stop of the nationwide search for America's definition of fun.

Led by the world's only ''Fun Master,'' Nintendo's Howard Phillips, the Tour de Fun will bring fun to citizens throughout New York, while also learning from them why activities they consider fun -- Knick games, backyard barbecues, movies and video games -- are fun.

''We are out to 'break the code' on fun,'' Phillips explained. ''For thousands of years, people have been having fun for numerous reasons. We want to take that intangible emotion and make it into a concrete principle so we can continue to ensure the entertainment we offer reflects America's desire for fun. We are looking to America to help us establish that 'credo of fun''' he added.

Phillips will start the Tour de Fun visit to New York by setting up ''Fast 15 Fun Zones'' in front of the New York Stock Exchange from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Phillips and his ''Fun Crew'' will stop busy traders and encourage them to start their hectic day with a few minutes of fun with the help of Nintendo's portable video game system, Game Boy.

Then the ''Fun Master'' will bring a little fun into the lives of young patients at Tisch Hospital at NYU Medical Center from 11 a.m. to noon, where Phillips will visit and play games with the children. After that, Phillips will give Nintendo fans the chance to beat him at his own game -- the game of fun -- when he visits Toys R Us in Long Island City from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

As part of bringing fun to New York, Nintendo will donate thousands of dollars worth of products to recipients who could use a little more fun in their lives. ''In addition to visiting with the children at Tisch Hospital, Nintendo will donate a Nintendo Entertainment System and two Game Boys, along with a selection of our more popular fun-filled games,'' Phillips said.

Nintendo of America Inc. sells personal, home and arcade video games in the United States. The Redmond, Wash.-based company is the headquarters for the

company's marketing in North America and is a subsidiary of the world's largest manufacturer and marketer of video games, Nintendo Co. Ltd.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - New Line Cinema Corp. (AMEX:NLN) Wednesday announced that it has closed its three year, $75 million revolving credit facility with Chemical Bank as agent and a syndicate of other leading commercial banks including Bank of America, The Bank of California, Imperial Bank, National Westminster Bank PLC, Societe Generale and The Yasuda Trust and Banking Co.

As previously announced, the new credit facility replaces a $35 million revolving credit facility that New Line had with Chemical Bank. New Line will use the new facility for general corporate purposes including film production.

Commenting on the increased credit facility, chairman and chief executive officer Robert Shaye said, ''Our ability to secure an expanded credit facility undescores the soundness of our approach to the entertainment business.

''Chemical has been an important source of financing to New Line for many years and we are delighted to be associated with the prestigious consortium of banks that Chemical has assembled to participate in this new facility.''

John Miller, managing director, Entertainment Industries Group at Chemical Bank, said, ''New Line has demonstrated that its sound business and financial strategies have provided a strong platform for continued growth and success. Chemical is very pleased to have agented such an important financing for this leading independent.''

Shaye added, ''New Line's ongoing expansion and production plans, supported by this expanded facility, will futher distinguish us in the industry. We believe the access to the global banking markets will facilitate the continued expansion of our presence in markets worldwide.''

New Line Cinema Corp. is a leading independent producer and distributor of theatrical motion pictures.

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FREMONT, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Fremont Communications Tuesday introduced the Frecom Fax96 CommCenter, a 9600/2400 bps fax-and-modem board with fax and modem software, Faxography(TM) software for like-typeset faxes and FaxCupl(TM) the first firmware that allows a PC faxboard to communicate locally with a standalone fax machine.

This makes it possible for a CommCenter user to scan from a fax machine into the PC and, using Fremont's Faxography software, to print from the PC directly to a nearby fax machine.

The Frecom Fax96 CommCenter package includes a full-length PC fax/modem board, telephone cabling and Fax96 software. All system components and the easy-to-follow manuals are designed and priced (under $500) for people working in a home office or small business.

The Frecom Fax96 CommCenter is: 1. A 9600 bps fax board. 2. A 2400 bps modem with MNP5 2:1 data compression. 3. A Frecom Fax96 1-Liner that lets the user operate a telephone with answering machine on the same phone line as the Fax board. Software bundled with the CommCenter includes: 1. Frecom Fax software 2. FarFetchFax, a software package which lets the user remotely retrieve fax messages which have been received since the last call. 3. Faxography software that lets the user include typographic information in faxes. 4. FaxCupl(TM), new software that couples a standalone fax machine to the Fax96 board over standard telephone wires and allows bidirectional communication between fax board and fax machine.

At 2400 bps, the modem will transfer about 240 characters per second. The modem firmware includes MNP5 (Microcom Networking Protocol, Level 5), which permits 2:1 data compression when connected with another modem using this protocol. The net result is the possible doubling of throughput to about 480 characters per second.

Faxography is a new faxing technique that improves the output quality of fax messages. The Frecom Fax96 CommCenter includes the first Faxography product, Frecom Faxography(TM) LQ. It sends typeset fax images to any Group III fax machine. The result is very high quality output, noticeably superior to messages that have been scanned by a fax machine.

Many small businesses which already have a fax machine have been adding the

Fax96 faxboard to some of their more active communicators' PCs. For these heavy fax users, Fremont has developed software that lets fax boards talk to local fax machines in both directions--send and receive. The fax machine can provide 200x200 dot scanned input for the PC, and the faxboard user can ''print'' to the fax machine in his office over a standard telephone wire.

The Frecom CommCenter will be demonstrated to dealers at Fall Comdex in November. Delivery is scheduled to begin during December, 1990.

Suggested retail price for the complete package, containing 9600 bps fax board 2400 bps modem, Faxography software for LQ and Laser printers, fax software, and FaxCupl, is $495.

To get the name of a nearby dealer, the reader can call 415/438-5000. Fremont Communications Company is headquartered at 46309 Warm Springs Boulevard, Fremont 94539.

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MONROVIA, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Vision Sciences Inc. (NASDAQ:LENZC) announced results for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the period were $402,157 with a loss of $1,221,710, or 18 cents per share, compared with revenues of $1,602,714 and a loss of $894,427, or 13 cents per share, for the same period last year.

According to Chief Executive Officer Gerald T. Keahl, the company has resolved the earlier problems associated with products released in 1989, and it relaunched its line with new product and product improvements, in September 1990. He expressed optimism regarding the outlook for market acceptance of the company's products.

Vision Sciences is the recognized leader in the manufacture of office-based spectacle lens casting equipment. In-office lens casting provides eyecare professionals with the latest technology available in the production of quality yet inexpensive spectacle lenses.

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HERCULES, CALIF. (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc. (ASE:BIO.A/BIO.B) Wednesday reported that sales for both the third quarter and the nine months ended Sept. 30 reached new highs.

The third-quarter sales increase of 26 percent was the strongest of the year for the company. Sales have increased in all three segments of the company's business. For the year-to-date, Diagnostic products continue to show particular strength, while sales growth in Research Products and Analytical Instruments is somewhat below expectations.

The company's total operating expenses have grown faster than sales and, as a result, operating income for the quarter is up only 12 percent over last year, and for the year-to-date operating income is slightly behind 1989.

Earnings for the quarter were 20 cents per share, up from 18 cents last year. For the year-to-date, earnings are 93 cents per share, slightly behind the 96 cents per share reported last year.

Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc. is a multinational manufacturer of research products clinical diagnostics and analytical instruments based in Hercules.

BIO-RAD LABORATORIES INC.
Operating Results
(in thousands, except per share data)

	Third Quarter Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$ 69,510	$ 55,084	$206,382	$171,462
Income from operations	4,255	3,799	16,280	16,525
Net income	$ 1,589	$ 1,380	$ 7,302	$ 7,289
Earnings per share	20 cents	18 cents	93 cents	96 cents
Weighted average shares	7,850	7,657	7,829	7,631

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Wednesday announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, North Subsidiary Corp., has commenced a tender offer for all of Samna Corp.'s outstanding shares of common stock at a purchase price of $18.84 per share, net to the seller in cash.

The tender offer is being made pursuant to a merger agreement signed Nov. 1, 1990, among Lotus, North Subsidiary Corp. and Samna. The offer is conditioned

upon, among other things, at least a majority of the issued and outstanding shares, on a fully-diluted basis, being validly tendered and not withdrawn.

Samna Corp.'s board of directors has unanimously approved the merger agreement and determined that the offer and the merger, considered as a whole, are fair to and in the best interests of the company's stockholders. The board recommends that all of the company's stockholders accept the offer, tender all of their shares, and approve the merger agreement and the merger, if required by law.

As previously announced, any share not acquired in the tender offer will be converted in a subsequent merger into the right to receive $18.84 per share in cash.

The offer and withdrawal rights expire at midnight, New York City time, on Thursday, Dec. 6, 1990, unless extended.

Lotus will provide North Subsidiary Corp. with the approximately $65 million of funds required for the offer and the merger. Lotus will obtain these funds from cash on hand, or borrowings under its existing credit lines.

The First Boston Corporation is serving as dealer manager for the offer and Georgeson & Company Inc. is serving as information agent for the offer.

Lotus Development Corp. (NASDAQ:LOTS), founded in 1982, develops, markets and supports business software and CD-ROM databases that help users access, analyze, communicate and share information. The company's first product, Lotus 1-2-3, is the most popular personal computer software program in the world with more than 14 million users. Lotus markets its broad range of products in more than 65 countries and offers users comprehensive support options, including 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week support in the U.S. for PC versions of its 1-2-3 spreadsheet.

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TAMPA, FL (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - PMSI (NASDAQ:PMSV) Wednesday announced it has signed a letter of intent to acquire Resource Opportunities, Inc., (ROI) a leading regional provider of medical case management services in the workers' compensation industry.

ROI uses a case management approach to assist workers' compensation insurance carriers, TPAs and self-insured companies address the continued escalation of

work injury healthcare costs. Programs are created and implemented to significantly reduce medical costs while improving the overall quality of care particularly in chronic and catastrophic cases. During its fourteen-year history, ROI's largest customers have included Nationwide Insurance, USF&G, Liberty Mutual, and State Farm Insurance.

''The acquisition of ROI will be a significant step in our growth and service strategy as we look to broaden our medical cost containment offering to the workers' compensation industry, thereby expanding our national sales force and existing relationships with 30,000 workers' compensation claims representatives,'' said Cecil S. Harrell, President and Chief Executive Officer.

''Our operating infrastructure and growth management expertise combined with ROI's continuing management commitment makes ROI a natural addition to PMSI's services.''

ROI, based in Richmond, Virginia, operates 13 offices in seven states, concentrated mainly in the Southeast. For its fiscal year ending December 31, 1990, ROI expects sales of approximately $5,800,000.

The aggregate consideration to be paid by PMSI is expected to approximate $5.3 million and the parties anticipate a closing prior to December 31, 1990.

PMSI is a leading independent national provider of medical cost containment services and products to workers' compensation payors and claimants and to the physical therapy clinics in the rehabilitation product and services marketplace.

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HAYWARD, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Scientific Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:STIZ) announced that for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, operating income advanced 31 percent to $517,000 on revenues of $2,520,000, compared to operating income of $395,000, on revenues of $2,158,000 for last year's third quarter.

Income was $312,000, or 7 cents per share, compared to $244,000, or 5 cents per share, in the like period last year. Net income of $329,000, or 7 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989, included $85,000, or 2 cents per share, in benefits from net operating loss carryforwards.

Anthony R. Lazzara, chairman, said that STI's 29 percent improvement in gross margins, which reached 56 percent of sales in the quarter, resulted from improved manufacturing productivity and higher unit sales rates.

Lazzara observed that although third-quarter results were penalized by deferred deliveries and expenses associated with relocating the Control Components Division from San Diego to Hayward, the consolidation of manufacturing facilities is expected to contribute to operating efficiencies in the future.

During the quarter, STI introduced its new TearScan, a solid-state laser-based sensor product for detecting edge tears in manufacturing processes with rapidly moving web materials such as paper, film and foil. Shipments are scheduled to begin this winter.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, operating income rose 26 percent to $1,522,000, compared to operating income of $1,212,000 in the like period of 1989.

Revenues for the period were $7,595,000, a gain of 21 percent over revenues of $6,258,000 in the first nine months of last year. Income rose 24 percent for the nine-month period to $947,000, or 20 cents per share, compared with $765,000, or 16 cents per share, last year.

Net income of $1,032,000, or 21 cents per share, for the nine months of 1989 benefited from the utilization of tax loss carryforwards of $267,000, or 5 cents per share.

Scientific Technologies Inc. manufactures and markets computer systems, industrial sensors, optical profilers, and data communication products for factory automation applications.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Armanino Foods of Distinction Inc. (NASDAQ:BLUE) Wednesday reported record sales results for its Armanino brand products for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Aug. 31.

The $807,000 in sales for Armanino Foods for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, compares to $596,000 in Armanino Foods sales for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989, an increase of approximately 35 percent.

This increase in sales of Armanino brand products reflects the concentration

of selling efforts in the food service and industrial markets for fast-selling products with higher profit margins.

Sales for the quarter as reported in its consolidated financial statements, were $1,814,307 as compared to $596,262 for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989. Included in the consolidated quarterly sales figures were $807,000 in sales attributable to Armanino Foods products marketed under the Armanino brand name and $1,007,000 in sales attributable to Artanis Foods (a California limited partnership) which markets a line of Frank Sinatra brand Italian food products. Armanino Foods has a 46 percent ownership interest in Artanis.

The $1,007,000 in sales attributable to Artanis Foods represents the introduction of the Artanis food products into the Northern and Southern California retail markets.

The net consolidated loss for the quarter ended Aug. 31 is $76,371. The loss reflects substantial costs attributable to the introduction of the Artanis Foods' product line in California, particulary advertising and promotional costs. Although the consolidated results show an overall loss, Armanino Foods generated a modest profit for the quarter.

The consolidated balance sheet reflects total current assets of $3,422,810; total liabilities of $698,163; total assets of $3,542,987; with total shareholders' equity of $2,844,824.

Armanino Foods of Distinction Inc. is a national speciality food company.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Vidmark Inc., (NASDAQ:VDMK) Wednesday announced that earnings for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $215,000, or 4 cents per common share, on revenues of $8.2 million.

This compares with earnings of $521,000, or 13 cents per share, on revenues of $7.7 million for the same period in 1989. Revenues increased 6 percent over the same period last year.

For the quarter, the company reported that performaces of the company's titles did not achieve expectations and, as a result, the percentage of costs attributable to these revenues increased, resulting in lower gross profits.

Additionally, the company said it experienced an increase in selling expenses which were necessary to service expanded markets and to enhance the quality of

its sales force to meet an increasingly competitive environment.

For the second quarter, the company has several high-profile pictures scheduled for release on home video. Included in the upcoming quarter are: ''The Cook, The Thief, His Wife and Her Lover;'' ''Amityville IV;'' ''Texas Guns,'' starring Richard Widmark, Willie Nelson and Angie Dickinson; and ''Rainbow Drive,'' starring ''Robocop's'' Peter Weller.

Vidmark is an international distributor of motion pictures, primarily engaged in the distribution of feature films for the domestic home video market and in the licensing of distribution rights to motion pictures for foreign markets.

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Mike Pollock, 213/629-4974

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SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Confirming its DOS Protected Mode Interface specification as the de facto industry standard, the DPMI committee, and industry-wide committee composed of 12 application and system software leaders, has announced that IBM has officially joined the committee and that nearly 2,000 copies of the specification released in May have been shipped.

Additionally, the committee will be demonstrating the first DPMI compliant applications at the upcoming COMDEX conference. The demonstrations will take place in the DPMI Room 21A in the main hall of the convention center.

The DPMI specification defines a standard interface that allows extended DOS applications to more fully implement the capabilities of protected-mode, multitasking operating environments for Intel-based personal computers.

The first version of the DPMI specification, version 0.9, was released in May. DPMI allows extended DOS applications to be multitasked reliably under DPMI-compliant operating environments, including Microsoft Windows 3.0. Other multitasking environments that will implement DPMI include DESQview, OS/2, Unisys CTOS, VP/ix on UNIX 386 and VM/386.

The DPMI standard offers important benefits to both software developers and end users. DPMI provides a standard way for extended DOS applications to cooperate in the multitasking DOS operating environments using the protected-mode feature of Intel's 286, 386 and

i486 microprocessors. DPMI provides the key for binary portability for extended DOS applications across multiple operating environments.

Software developers who support DPMI can now sell a single shrink-wrapped extended DOS application that can run on multiple extended DOS operating

environments. End users will optimize their investment since they will no longer need to upgrade their extended DOS applications when they switch to newer, more powerful operating environments.

The DPMI committee is composed of 12 founding member companies, plus advisory members. Numerous other companies are currently developing products that conform to the specification. The founding member companies are Borland, Ergo Computing, IBM, IGC, Intel, Locus, Lotus Development, Microsoft, Phar Lap, Phoenix Technologies, Quarterdeck and Rational Systems.

Additionally, the committee has shipped nearly 2,000 copies of the specification.

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or
Phar Lap Software
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or
Quarterdeck (McHenry & Associates)
Charles McHenry, 503/772-2382
or
Unisys CTOS (Hi-Tech PR)
Kimberly Fox, 415/864-5600
or
Ergo Computing (Rogers Comm.)
Phil Little, 617/849-6010
or
IGC
Diane Fukuda, 408/441-0366
or
Locus
Peter Uhlir, 213/337-5233
or
Microsoft (The Waggener Group)
Carrine Greason, 503/245-0905
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or
Rational Systems (McGlinchey & Paul)
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INDIANAPOLIS (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The SterlingCare Group Ltd., one of Indiana's leading providers of long-term healthcare with eight facilities and 1,347 licensed beds in the state, has instituted a Drug-Free Workplace Policy at all of its locations.

Consequently, SterlingCare is implementing new policies at all of its facilities aimed at creating a drug-free workplace for its employees and residents.

SterlingCare operates Anderson Healthcare Center, Anderson, Ind.; Elkhart Healthcare Center, Elkhart, Ind.; Lafayette Healthcare Center, Lafayette, Ind.; Merrillville Manor, Merrillville, Ind.; New Castle Healthcare Center, New Castle, Ind.; Sheffield Manor, Franklin, Ind.; Wabash Healthcare Center, Wabash, Ind.; and Washington Manor, Evansville, Ind.

Every person applying for a job at a SterlingCare facility is being required to pass a drug-screening test as part of the application process.

All existing employees holding safety-sensitive jobs, where performance requires care and caution and where even minor employee impairment can create a danger to fellow workers or residents, will be subject to random drug and alcohol testing.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Carolco Pictures Inc. (NYSE:CRC) Wednesday announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Carolco International N.V., has completed the previously announced purchase of shares of Carolco common stock held by New CIBV, a company in which Carolco Chairman Mario Kassar has a substantial interest, under terms negotiated by the Independent Committee of Carolco's board of directors and approved by the Independent Committee and Carolco's board of directors.

The Independent Committee of Carolco's board of directors and New CIBV negotiated a transaction in which an amount equal to approximately 50 percent of the $90 million aggregate proceeds from Carolco's sale of Series B and Series C convertible preferred stock to Canal+ Productions, S.N.C., and

Pioneer LDCA Inc. would be used by Carolco or a wholly owned subsidiary to purchase Carolco common stock owned by New CIBV.

The purchase of Carolco common stock from New CIBV was contemplated by the terms of the Canal+ and Pioneer agreements under which Canal+ and Pioneer purchased the preferred stock.

In exchange for 3,461,538 shares of Carolco common stock, New CIBV received $44,999,994 and warrants of Carolco to acquire an aggregate 1 million shares of Carolco common stock at an exercise price of $18.50 per share for a term of seven years.

Payment by Carolco International N.V. of the $44,999,994 was made by (i) assumption of certain debt owed by New CIBV to Carolco, (ii) payment of certain debts of New CIBV to a third party and (iii) execution of a promissory note in favor of New CIBV.

New CIBV, which owned approximately 62 percent of the outstanding shares of common stock of Carolco prior to the purchase, now owns approximately 57 percent of the outstanding shares, before taking into account options and warrants.

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Thomas K. Levine, 213/850-8800.

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TERRE HAUTE, IN (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - General Housewares Corp. (NYSE:GHW) announced Wednesday that its board of directors declared a cash common stock dividend of $.06 per share payable Dec. 28, 1990 to common stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990.

The company stated that the action of the board represents the fortieth consecutive quarterly payment since the company's dividend policy was first instituted in March of 1981.

General Housewares Corp. is a leading manufacturer and marketer of cookware and cutlery products.

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Robert L. Gray, 812/232-1000

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PLUMSTEADVILLE, PA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Global Environmental Corp. (NASDAQ: GLEN), a full service environmental and air conveying company,

received a new contract totaling $2.5 million to design, engineer, supply, and install a turnkey project to a major plastics company. The project is expected to be completed in September 1991.

The company's new orders for the month of October soared to approximately $4.5 million resulting in a backlog of approximately $7 million. This will have a positive effect on fiscal 1991 results. Of the $4.5 million, $1.6 million was previously announced.

Global Environmental Corp., headquartered in Plumsteadville, Pa., provides engineering, manufacturing, installation and testing of environmental systems, including air, odor control and conveying systems.

The company has three wholly owned subsidiaries: Danzer Metal Works, Hagerstown, Md.; Texcon Inc., an engineering firm located in Greenville, S.C., and Rage Inc., a pneumatic conveying company located in Plumsteadville.

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NEWPORT, KY (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - NS Group Inc. (NYSE:NSS) Wednesday announced the results for its fiscal year ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Net income for the fiscal year ended Sept. 29, 1990, was $13,047,000, or 97 cents per share, compared to net income of $12,773,000, or 95 cents per share, for fiscal 1989. Sales for fiscal 1990 were a record $249,871,000 compared to $219,414,000 for fiscal 1989.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 net income was $3,387,000, or 25 cents per share, on sales of $66,831,000. Net income was $3,405,000, or 25 cents per share, on sales of $58,192,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

C.R. Borland, president and chief executive officer of NS Group Inc., commented ''fiscal 1990 was a very rewarding year, one in which many new milestones were reached and one which saw the company further position itself for continued growth. Sales for the year reached an all time high on the strength of four consecutive quarters of increased shipments at both Newport Steel and Kentucky Electric.

''There was some improvement in oil and gas drilling activity in the U.S. during the course of the year, which enabled Newport to ship over 285,000 tons a record for the company. We're hopeful, however, that 1991 will bring further improvements in shipments and in particular, pricing, which remained relatively unchanged in 1990 due to overall weaker pricing in the steel

industry in general.''

Borland further noted that the improvement in Newport Steel's business is timely with the completion of Newport's new continuous slab caster in September of this year. ''We've had a very successful break in period and are already running ahead of plan. We are extremely pleased with the performance of the equipment and quality of the cast product.''

NS Group Inc. is a holding company that owns five operating subsidiaries: Newport Steel Corp., a tubular steel producer; Kentucky Electric Steel Corp., a producer of steel bars; Erlanger Tubular Corp., a processor of tubular products; Imperial Adhesives Inc., an adhesives manufacturer and Koppel Steel Corp., acquired in October 1990, a manufacturer of steel bar and tubular steel products.

NS Group Inc.'s common stock (symbol NSS) is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The Continental Corporation (NYSE:CIC) Wednesday reported third quarter 1990 net income of $53.3 million, or $.97 per share, compared with a net loss of $27.7 million, or $.54 per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

''We continue to take advantage of the soft market to upgrade our book of business by driving off poorly priced and non-strategic risks,'' said John P. Mascotte, chairman and chief executive officer. ''Our confidence in our ability to stay the course is supported by the very high quality of our $9 billion investment portfolio, only two percent junk bonds and mortgages, which provides us with the underlying financial strength to weather the uncertain economic climate.''

Revenues for the third quarter were $1.5 billion, compared with $1.5 billion in 1989. Consolidated net investment income for the quarter was $191.2 million, up from $185.1 million a year ago. The company realized pretax capital gains in the 1990 third quarter of $41.9 million, versus gains of $46.8 million for the same period last year. After tax, third quarter 1990 realized capital gains were $.51 per share, against $.58 per share in 1989.

Earnings for the 1990 third quarter do not include a tax benefit resulting from the ''fresh start'' provision of the Tax Reform Act of 1986. Third quarter 1989 earnings included a $.15 per share reversal of previously recorded ''fresh start'' benefits due to the magnitude of underwriting losses

including losses resulting from Hurricane Hugo.

Book value per share was $37.40, compared with $41.47 at September 30, 1989. Book value with all investments valued at market prices was $36.26, versus $42.25 a year ago. Insurance Operations

Insurance operations contributed third quarter pretax income of $78.3 million, compared with $10.1 million in 1989. The increase resulted from substantially lower underwriting losses due to a significant drop in catastrophe losses. Net written premiums for the quarter were $1.2 billion, down 3% from a year ago.

The Continental Corporation is a New York City-based property/casualty insurance organization with over $5 billion in annual revenues. Its subsidiaries are leading writers of commercial and personal package policies and select specialty coverages through major independent agents and brokers.

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PALO ALTO, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Collagen Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS: CGEN) Wednesday announced that it has completed a public offering of its common stock.

The company sold 950,000 shares in the offering at a price to the public of $16.50 per share. Proceeds from the sale of the shares by the company will be used for general corporate purposes, including research and new product development, financing of leasehold improvments, purchase of capital equipment and working capital to finance inventories and accounts receivable. Hambrecht & Quist Inc. and Alex. Brown & Sons Inc. are the underwriters for the offering.

A copy of the final prospectus relating to the offering may be obtained from Hambrecht & Quist Inc., One Bush St., San Francisco, Calif. 94104 (in New York 230 Park Ave., 21st Floor, New York, N.Y. 10169) or Alex. Brown & Sons Inc., 345 California St., San Francisco, Calif. 94104.

Collagen Corp. develops, manufactures, and markets biomedical implants for the augmentation and repair of aged or damaged tissues, and specialized catheter systems for the treatment of neurovascular disorders.

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GREENVILLE, S.C. (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Delta Woodside Industries Inc. (NYSE: DLW) announced Wednesday that its board of directors declared a dividend of seven and one-half cents ($.075) per share and established the record date as Nov. 28, 1990.

Payment will be made on Dec. 6, 1990.

Delta Woodside Industries Inc., headquartered in Greenville, manufactures and sells a wide variety of textile fabrics and apparel, and also is engaged in the retail distribution of office supplies and equipment. The company, which has approximately 8,000 employees in four states and Costa Rica, operates 33 plants, 7 garment outlet stores and one office products distribution center with 9 branches.

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TAMPA, FL (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - D. Mark Olson has been named president and chief executive officer (CEO) of INVEST Financial Corporation, a subsidiary of Kemper Financial Companies Inc., announced James R. Boris, chairman of INVEST's Board of Directors.

INVEST is widely recognized as the premier provider of annuities, mutual funds and unit investment trusts to clients of financial institutions. INVEST Centers are located in about 200 banks nationwide.

''INVEST has expanded its number of branch locations to more than 730, an increase of 40 percent in the past year,'' said Boris. ''Mark Olson's appointment as president and CEO confirms our commitment to the long-range plan for additional expansion and growth at INVEST, which began 18 months ago '' he said.

Olson, 42, previously served as executive vice president and chief operating officer of INVEST. He has been with INVEST since June, 1989. Olson is a member of INVEST's Board of Directors.

Before joining INVEST, Olson held positions with Kemper Financial Services and Shearson Lehman Brothers, with a total of 15 years experience in a series of expanding capacities in the financial services industry. He holds a degree in economics from Texas A&M University.

INVEST, which founded its industry in 1982, is the largest and most experienced company of its kind with branches in 41 states. Alternative

products and services sold at INVEST Centers generate fee income for banks that are subscribers in the INVEST network.

Kemper Financial Companies Inc., a subsidiary of Kemper Corporation, owns more than 90 percent of INVEST Financial Corporation.

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Steve Radis, 312/917-8393.

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WORTHINGTON, OH (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Liqui-Box (OTC:LIQB) achieved a healthy 9 percent increase in net sales and an 11 percent increase in income for the third quarter, ending Sept. 29.

The company has begun shipping its new line of Modular One fillers and is actively engaged in launching the new Pressure Pak dispensing system for volume feeding operations, the DeCap system for water coolers, and bag-in-box packaging for detergents and other sanitary cleaning supplies.

On the environmental front, bag-in-box packaging is a major answer for ''source reduction'' vs. plastic pails and is expanding its rebuy/regrind/recycle program for polycarbonate UnGlass bottles to all bottle plant locations.

Liqui-Box is the leading supplier of flexible, bag-in-box packaging molded containers and filling equipment for the processed food, beverage (soft drink) bottled water, dairy, wine and specialty chemical markets, and sells internationally through licenses, direct exports, and agents on five continents.

Third quarter	1990	1989	Change
Net Sales	$33,447,000	$30,712,000	9 pct +
Income before taxes	5,203,000	4,623,000	13 pct +
Taxes on income	2,015,000	1,760,000	
Net income	3,188,000	2,863,000	11 pct +
Primary earnings per share	$ 1.44	$ 1.20	
Primary shares outstanding	2,219,705	2,378,831	

Nine months	1990	1989	Change
Net Sales	$90,703,000	$78,511,000	16 pct +
Income before taxes	14,195,000	11,532,000	23 pct +
Taxes on income	5,495,000	4,370,000	
Net income	8,700,000	7,162,000	21 pct +
Primary earnings per share	$ 3.82	$ 3.07	
Primary shares outstanding	2,276,721	2,334,829	

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Dale P. Hugo, 614/888-9280.

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DETROIT (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. Wednesday announced that Barnett Bank, the largest commercial bank in the state of Florida, has signed a contract valued in excess of $15 million to purchase the Unisys InfoImage Image Item Processing System (IIPS).

As the first bank in Florida to adopt imaging technology, Barnett will use IIPS to process checks and other payment instruments. Barnett also is the first bank in the country to order Unisys recently announced IR 9210 Courtesy Amount Reader module, an optional hand-print and machine-print recognition system for the IIPS platform.

Barnett Bank currently processes more than three million checks each day, creating large amounts of paperwork that must be handled mny times in the conventional proof encoding and sorting process. By investing in imaging technology, Barnett will be able to eliminate the repetitive physical handling of documents.

This will enable Barnett to provide continuing improvements in customer service.

''As one of the first banks in the U.S. to adopt imaging technology for check processing, Barnett is leading the way in the banking community,'' said Jonathan Palmer, executive vice president of Barnett technology and operations. ''We are confident that implementation of the Unisys imaging solution will enhance our position as Florida's leading commercial bank.

''This investment of over $15 million in advanced technology represents a significant step by Barnett to offer the latest and most effective solutions to our customers.''

''We expect image check processing to increase productivity and reduce errors, resulting in lower processing costs per check and better customer service,'' added Steve Milstid, executive director of Barnett systems development.

''Barnett's selection of the IIPS platform provides further proof that Unisys has the correct approach to image check processing,'' said O.G. Greene, president of Unisys Financial Systems Division.

''As an active participant in the Unisys Image Advisory Council, Barnett has played an important role in guiding the development of IIPS. This significant investment in high-speed image processing technology emphasizes Barnett's commitment to provide the highest level of service to its retail and

commercial customers.'' List of IIPS Users Continues to Grow

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Wednesday announced it has signed a contract with Best Western International Inc. to make AT&T Long Distance Service available to the nearly 1,800 independently owned and operated Best Western properties nationwide.

The three-year contract, a renewal, is valued at approximately $60 million. AT&T currently provides long-distance service to more than 1,400 U.S. Best Western properties.

Under the agreement, AT&T will provide 24-hour operator services for calling card, person-to-person, billed-to-third number and collect calling service from all guest rooms at participating Best Western locations.

''Making AT&T Long Distance Service available to our guests is a natural extension of Best Western's policy of providing the highest quality and service available,'' said Keith Barlow, vice president for reservations and systems

AT&T customers calling from hotels, airports and other locations which have not selected AT&T, need to dial an access code -- 10-ATT-0 -- then the area code and number they're calling to reach AT&T.

Best Western, headquartered in Phoenix, is the world's largest hotel chain with more than 3,300 independently owned and operated hotels, motor inns and resorts in 36 countries throughout North America, western Europe, Hungary, Israel, South America and the South Pacific.

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DES MOINES, IA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Equitable of Iowa Cos. (NASDAQ: EQICB) yesterday declared regular quarterly dividends of 30 cents per share on its classes A and B common stock.

The dividends are payable Dec. 12 to shareholders of record on Nov. 26.

Equitable of Iowa Cos., based in Des Moines, Iowa, is the holding company for Equitable Life Insurance Company of Iowa, USG Annuity & Life Company, E.I. Sales, Equitable Investment Services and Younkers department stores.

Founded in 1867, Equitable Life Insurance Company of Iowa sells individual life insurance and annuities in 44 states. USG Annuity & Life was acquired in 1988 and sells annuities in 47 states through savings and loan associations, banks and insurance agents.

E.I. Sales markets mutual funds, variable annuities, tax exempt bond funds and other investment products through 442 registered representatives. Equitable Investment Services manages investments for Equitable Life and USG. Younkers has 34 retail department stores in Iowa, Nebraska, Illinois, Minnesota and South Dakota.

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Paul E. Larson, 515/282-5881.

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RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NC (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Telephone companies can now provide more than twice as many of their business customers with central office automatic call distribution (ACD) service.

Meridian ACD Server, a new product announced Wednesday by Northern Telecom (NYSE:NT), can work with virtually any vendor's central office switching system, regardless of its age or technology.

US West Communications and Northern Telecom today announced an agreement to market the new central office-based system.

ACD is typically used by such businesses as banks, insurance companies, or airline reservation centers to improve customer service by directing callers to the first available agent.

Meridian ACD Server offers unparalleled capacity, supporting up to 4,000 agents. The system is easily installed and expanded, compliant with established administration and maintenance procedures, and supports multiple customers.

The system is contained in a stand-alone cabinet and connects with existing telephone company central office equipment through standard trunking facilities. Maintenance and administration costs are minimized because the server can be managed through central offices with existing procedures and

Bellcore-defined operations support systems.

With over 100 systems in service or on order, Northern Telecom is the ACD central office market leader. Meridian ACD Server enables telephone companies to offer the same proven service to all customers. Because Meridian ACD Server's software is based on the DMS Meridian ACD system's generic software, features will expand as the system continues to evolve.

Further, the new server supports all current standard Northern Telecom Meridian Digital Centrex business telephones, including industry standard 2500-type sets.

Meridian ACD Server extends Northern Telecom's full family of ACD solutions, which offers PBX-based systems as well as those based in the central office.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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WAYNE, PA. (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - American Film Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:AFTI, PHLX:AFT) Wednesday announced unaudited results of operations for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

First quarter revenues amounted to $3,366,416, while revenues for the like quarter last year were $3,508,073. Net income for the first quarter amounted to $74,051, or 1 cent per share, while net income for the year-ago quarter totalled $559,969, or 6 cents per share.

Chairman George R. Jensen Jr. said first quarter results were effected by one-time costs associated with the transition of film coloring production to the company's new facility in Tijuana, Mexico. ''The Tijuana facility is truly world class, allowing for outstanding production efficiency,'' Jensen added. ''When it is fully staffed, we expect to reduce production costs significantly. We have already completed our first COLORIMAGED Film in Tijuana and colorists there are proving to be highly-productive and very quality conscious.''

Jensen said expenses were also increased in the first quarter by the expansion of the compnay's animation capabilities. He believes upcoming business for the animation division will offset future expansion costs.

American Film Technologies Inc. creates color versions of black-and-white motion pictures and television productions, and produces digital ''paperless'' animation and special effects for original television and film production.

American Film Technologies Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

	First Quarter Ended 9/30/90	First Quarter Ended 9/30/89
Revenues	$ 3,336,416	$ 3,508,073
Net earnings (loss)	74,051	559,969
Net earnings (loss) per common share	1 cent	6 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	11,277,000	9,745,000

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STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - COMTEC Market Analysis Services, a division of Gartner Group, Inc., Stamford CT, is proud to announce the availability of the Telephone Systems report.

The installed number of phones in the U.S. Business, Health, Education and Government market grew only 3.5 percent. This represents 68,987,493 phones in use as of 1/1/90. Unlike most other markets, the telephone systems market is fully penetrated since the entire universe which COMTEC studies has some kind of telephone system. This includes PBX, Key systems, Centrex or POTS (Plain Old Telephone Service).

Since 1982, COMTEC has tracked the U.S. market for telephone equipment and services, PCs, computers, terminals, textprocessing equipment, facsimile and more. The annual study, based on a statistically valid sample of the 6.7 million U.S. establishments, collects data on the inventory, usage and future plans of equipment and services from interviews with over 35,000 executives. Since its inception, COMTEC has been the outstanding source of market intelligence for key information industry companies.

The current report on Telephone Systems portrays a segemented profile of the

U.S. market. Throughout the fourteen sections, key statistics, issues and analysis are presented and discussed such as:

In the Centrex Market Analysis section, key facts about this part of the market are explored such as the distribution of the 5.5 million telephones attached to Centrex in the U.S. a 17.3 percent increase over last year; another section, Establishment Penetration provides several views of how the multiple ''sub-markets'' exist for Telephone Systems within the U.S. establishments.

The remaining sections include: Market Demographics; Key Systems Market Analysis; PBX Systems Market Analysis; Competition Key Systems; Competition PBX Systems; Office Equipment Environment; 1989 Shipment Activity; Distribution Channels; Plans & Opportunity Analysis; Year to Year Trends.

The data in the report allows analysis by specific industry groups, vertical markets, size of establishment and location to mention only a few of the demographic data which is available. The basis of the report is a comprehensive and extensive database which provides the capability of ''relentless segmentation''. Clients may license both the report and the database for further analysis and custom reporting.

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MELVILLE, NY (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Miltope Group Inc. (NASDAQ:MILT), the nation's largest independent (non-OEM) manufacturer of militarized and ruggedized computer peripheral equipment for defense and derivative commercial applications, Wednesday reported sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine months periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the 1990 third quarter, net sales were $27,553,000, compared to year-ago third quarter net sales of $26,151,000. 1990 third quarter net earnings were $459,000, or 8 cents per share, compared to $298,000, or 5 cents per share, reported for the comparable 1989 third quarter. Per share results were computed on the basis of 5,864,000 and 5,862,000 average shares outstanding in the 1990 and 1989 periods, respectively.

Net sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $80,274,000, an 18% increse over net sales of $68,266,000 in the corresponding 1989 period. 1990 nine months net earnings were $1,637,000, or 28 cents per share, compared to earnings of $1,560,000, or 27 cents per share, reported a year ago. Earnings per share are based on 5,864,000 and 5,865,000 average shares outstanding in the 1990 and 1989 periods, respectively.

The sales improvements in the quarter and nine months periods are primarily attributable to a higher sales volume in the U.S. Army Tactical Command and Control System, Common Hardware/Software Program (ATCCS/CHS), for which Miltope seves as prime contractor. ATCCS/CHS sales in the quarter were $12.3 million, compared to $11.1 million in the year-ago third quarter.

Miltope's 1990 first and second quarter order backlog levels were $86.5 million and $87 million, respectively. At the close of the year-ago quarter, Miltope's order backlog was $108.5 million.

Miltope Group Inc., through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Miltope Corp. and Miltope Business Products Inc., is engaged in the design, development, manufacture and testing of microcomputer and computer peripheral equipment for military, rugged and other specialized applications requiring operations in severeland, sea and airborne environments.

The company provides disk mass memories, high speed printers, digital magnetic tape products, bubble memories, transportable microcomputers, and a complete line of ruggedized Hewlett Packard 32-bit computers and related peripherals.

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BOSTON (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Tech/Ops Sevcon Inc. (AMEX:TOC) reported that net income per share for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 was 93 cents compared to 68 cents per share for the previous year, a gain of 37 percent.

Net income was $1,649,000 compared to $1,380,000 in 1989, a gain of 19 percent while revenues were $16,876,000, 18 percent higher than the $14,323,000 recorded in the previous year.

Early in the year, the company repurchased 334,000 of its common shares, or 16.5 percent of the outstanding amount, and average common and common equivalent shares for 1990 were 1,778,000 compared to 2,026,000 in 1989.

For the fourth fiscal quarter, Tech/Ops Sevcon reported net income of $413,000 compared to $299,000 for the similar quarter of 1989. Income per share was 24 cents compared to 15 cents in 1989. Sales in the quarter were $4,435,000 compared to $3,266,000 the previous year.

Tech/Ops Sevcon Inc. manufactures and distributes solid-state controls for battery-driven vehicles such as fork lift trucks and underground mining

vehicles. The company has facilities in Burlington, Mass., the United Kingdom and France.

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MIAMI (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantis Group Inc. (AMEX:AGH) announced Wednesday that it has filed an action against Rospatch Corp. (OTC:RPCH) and certain of Rospatch's major shareholders.

The defendent shareholder groups are the Alizac Partners shareholder group, the Coyne Family shareholder group and the Williametta K. Day Trust shareholder group.

Atlantis Group Inc. beneficially owns 19.71 percent of the outstanding common stock of Rospatch. In the aggregate, the Alizac Partners, Coyne Family and Williametta K. Day Trust shareholder groups beneficially own approximately 26.5 percent of the outstanding shares of Rospatch common stock.

There are currently several other litigations pending between Atlantis and Rospatch.

The complaint alleges that the three defendent shareholder groups have violated federal securities laws concerning disclosure of the relationship among these shareholder groups, that the Rospatch board has failed to issue rights certificates as is required pursuant to the provisions of the Rospatch ''poison pill'' rights plan and that the voting rights represented by certain Rospatch common stock owned by any of the three defendant shareholder groups are null and void.

The complaint alleges that concerted activity among the three shareholder groups has resulted in their becoming a ''group'' for the purposes of Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. That section requires public disclosure of the existence of a ''group'' of shareholders which beneficially owns, in the aggregate, at least 5 percent of the outstanding common stock of an issuer.

The complaint additionally alleges that the same concerted action among the three shareholder groups which resulted in the formation of the Section 13(d) ''group'' has triggered the provisions of the Rospatch ''poison pill'' shareholder rights plan, which was adopted by the Rospatch board in 1986.

The Section 13(d) ''group'' is the beneficial owner of more than 20 percent of Rospatch common stock. Under the provisions of the ''poison pill,'' such a beneficial ownership level in effect requires Rospatch to distribute separate

certificates evidencing rights to purchase Rospatch common stock at a discount.

These certificates must be issued to all Rospatch shareholders except those which constitute the group beneficially owning 20 percent of the outstanding shares of Rospatch common stock. Atlantis seeks to force the Rospatch board to abide by the terms of the ''poison pill'' which it has adopted.

Finally, the complaint alleges that the same concerted action among the three shareholder groups which resulted in the formation of the Section 13(d) ''group'' has triggered the provisions of the Michigan Control Share Acquisition Act.

Under that law, when a group of shareholders acquires voting power with respect to 20 percent or more of the outstanding stock of a corporation which is subject to this law, the shares so acquired have only such voting rights as are conferred by a majority of all ''disinterested'' shareholders.

No vote of shareholders has ever been held which would allow the members of the Section 13(d) ''group'' to exercise voting rights with respect to their Rospatch common stock above the 20 percent threshold.

Thus, in the action initiated by the filing of its complaints, Atlantis seeks to have the voting rights of the Section 13(d) ''group'' members declared null and void with respect to such shares.

Atlantis, headquartered in Miami, is a diversified plastics and furniture company.

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COLUMBUS, OH (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Omni Exploration Inc. (NASDAQ:OMNX) announced that the company expects to report a profit for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990.

For the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, the company anticipates reporting a nominal net loss of less than 1 cent per share. The company anticipates that audited figures for fiscal 1990 will be available in early December.

The company reported that the prices received during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 per barrel of oil increased significantly while the price per mcf of natural gas remained relatively stable.

The company also reported that its previoiusly disclosed agreement with the investment banking firm of Lovett Underwood Neuhaus & Webb Inc. of Houston to

explore the possible sale of the company or other transactions that would maximize stockholder value, has expired in accordance with the terms of that agreement.

Omni Exploration Inc. is an oil and gas company with reserves located in Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas.

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UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Union and Incotel Inc., announced Wednesday that they have completed the joint testing and certification for connectivity between Incotel's XMS-400 MHS and Western Union 400 (SM) service.

This certification gives users of Incotel's X.400 products the most sophisticated and enhanced level of connectivity for inter-enterprise communication.

Western Union 400 service is fully integrated with the Company's EasyLink (R) service, the nation's largest supplier of public electronic mail services for the business community. EasyLink gives its users worldwide delivery capability via fax, telex and electronic mail, as well as access to more than 900 online databases.

Western Union has completed commercial X.400 interconnections with 10 domestic and international X.400 public service providers, in addition to its certification of leading software vendors.

The Incotel XMS-400 product is a native mode X.400 software implementation. The software is written in the ''C'' programming language and runs on the IBM System/88 and Stratus Computer, Inc., fault-tolerant computing systems. Incotel XMS-400 operates over X.25 data networks and 802.3 local area networks and is fully compatible with the 1984 CCITT X.400 recommendations.

Incotel Inc., headquartered in New York City, has been a leading worldwide supplier of message and data handling systems since 1970.

Western Union provides a broad range of messaging, financial and other services, both domestically and internationally, to meet specific needs of business customers and individual consumers. The Company's electronic mail services enable its business customers to reach more than seven million electronic mail, fax and telex users worldwide.

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BOSTON (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated earnings of Eastern Utilities Associates (NYSE Symbol: EUA) were $6.4 million, or 40 cents per share, on operating revenues of $116 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Donald G. Pardus announced Tuesday.

This represents a decrease of $3.8 million from third quarter 1989 earnings of $10.2 million. An additional 2.5 million common shares were outstanding during the second quarter.

In explaining the decrease in earnings, Pardus noted: ''The earnings decrease is primarily due to the sale of short-term power by our EUA Power subsidiary at rates that were significantly below our actual operation, maintenance and debt related costs and to a lesser extent, to the continuing regional economic slump.''

Pardus went on to explain: ''As a result of Seabrook commencing commercial operation on August 19th, EUA Power no longer records Allowance For Funds Used During Construction (AFUDC). Normally, the loss of non-cash AFUDC earnings would be replaced by actual cash earnings when an asset is placed in-service.

''However, as we previously have stated, in the case of EUA Power, we expect earnings to be negatively impacted until EUA Power signs long-term contracts since the short-term sale of power will be at prices below our actual costs.''

EUA Power is EUA's New Hampshire wholesale power subsidiary which owns 12.1 percent of the Seabrook nuclear generating station.

EUA's consolidated earnings through the first nine months of 1990 were $26.7 million, or $1.69 per share, compared with earnings of $29.7 million, or $2.20 per share in the year-earlier period.

For the 12-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, consolidated earnings were $37.8 million, or $2.43 per share. For the comparable period last year, earnings were $38.5 million, or $2.86 per share. In each current period, there were in excess of 2.1 million additional shares outstanding.

Eastern Utilities (EUA) is a Boston-based investor-owned holding company whose shares are traded on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges. Subsidiaries are Blackstone Valley Electric Co., Eastern Edison Co., Newport Electric Corp.

EUA Cogenex Corp., EUA Energy Investment Corp., EUA Ocean State Corp., EUA Power Corp., EUA Service Corp., and Montaup Electric Co. Together, the companies are known as the EUA System.

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NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert E. Howson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, McDermott International Inc. (NYSE:MDR), Wednesday announced that M.E. ''Bo'' Eagles has been named vice president, marketing, engineering and industrial group, and will report to Robert W. Page executive vice president and group executive.

Eagles will have responsibility for McDermott's corporate marketing policy and planning, as well as for the engineering and industrial group's commercial marketing. He will have direct marketing responsibility for Hudson Engineering and Project Management and provide general marketing support for other divisions in the group. He will be located in Houston.

Eagles comes to McDermott from Cooper Oil Tool, a division of Cooper Industries Inc., where he was vice president, marketing. He joined Cameron Iron Works, now a division of Cooper Industries, in 1959.

He held a number of positions at Cameron including manager of subsea technology operations and Eastern Hemisphere operations. He was the company's general sales manager before being named vice president, marketing in 1981.

McDermott International Inc. is a leading worldwide energy services company. The company and its subsidiaries manufacture steam-generating equipment, defense products and tubular products.

They also provide engineering and construction services for industrial and utility facilities onshore and to the oil and gas industry offshore.

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FRAMINGHAM, MASS. (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Perini Corp. reports net income of $935,000 or 10 cents per common share for the third quarter of 1990, compared with $2,851,000 or 60 cents per common share for the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company reports net income of

$3,403,000 or 46 cents per common share, compared with net income of $9,973,000 or $2.44 per common share for the first nine months of 1989.

Earnings per common share for both the third quarter and nine-month results ending Sept. 30, 1990, were affected from the increase in the average common shares outstanding from the company's stock offering in June 1989 of 470,000 shares and the sale in July 1989 of 262,774 shares of the company's treasury stock to its Employee Stock Ownershhip Trust.

Construction and real estate revenues totaled $737,162,000 for the first nine months of 1990 compared with $620,711,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

The Sept. 30, 1990 construction backlog totaled $.95 billion compared with a backlog of $1.02 billion at the same date in 1989.

The operating results for the third quarter of 1990 generally followed the pattern experienced in the first and second quarters of 1990. Domestic construction, led by its heavy construction operations, made a very strong contribution to Perini's operating income. Building oeprations also made a positive contribution, due largely to increased revenues generated by a high level of activity in the hotel/casino industry.

Canadian operations contributed to third quarter profits due to increased revenues, with nine month results approximating the 1989 level. Perini International also contributed to the third quarter results, but at a lower level than 1989 due to a market slowdown.

Real estate did not close any major transactions in either the third quarter or first nine months of 1990, resulting in unprofitable operations compared to strong operating results a year ago, which is the major reason for the earnings decline compared to 1989.

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TUCSON, AZ (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Tucson Cos. Inc. announced the opening of a 70-bed Center for Eating Addictions and Disorders (C.E.A.D.) on Nov. 1.

The treatment modalities addressing eating disorder diseases are expected to result in a longer average length of stay than the present 30-day average patient stay. The addition of the 70 eating disorder beds brings the total number of beds operated by Sierra Tucson Cos. to 317.

During October of 1990, the Arizona facility licensed one half of its beds

(125) ''special hospital/psychiatric.'' The licensure authorizes Sierra Tucson to treat a wider range of patient illnesses than previously possible. Also, the opening of a 450-seat auditorium, fitness center, and the expansion of kitchen and dining facilities to support the increased number of patient beds, completes this phase of construction at the Arizona facility.

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DALLAS (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Uranium Resources Inc. (''URI'') announced net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $1,777,000, or 23 cents per share vs. net income of $309,000, or 4 cents per share in 1989.

Revenue for the period was $6,586,000 compared to $4,360,000 in 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, was $2,429,000, or 33 cents per share in comparison to net income for the same period of 1989 of $3,744,000, or 52 cents per share.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $14,647,000 compared to $20,509,000 for the same period in 1989. All per share amounts in this release reflect the adjustment of previously reported amounts for the effect of the 1-for-4 reverse split which became effective on Aug. 1, 1990.

Commenting on the quarterly results, Raymond G. Larson, CEO, said ''We are pleased with the earnings for the third quarter and for the first nine months of 1990. We expect to have a profitable fourth quarter which should bring total earnings in 1990 to approximately $3 million.

''Even though the uranium market remains very weak, with our existing long-term sales contracts at prices of approximately $20 per pound, we continue to expect very strong profitability in 1991 with earnings substantially above the levels of 1990.

''Our efforts this year continue to be focused on our major projects, including putting our Rosita property into production early in the fourth quarter, continuing our aggressive marketing efforts and continuing to prepare the New Mexico properties for production over the next few years.''

URI sells uranium to utilities primarily under long-term contracts. At. Sept. 30, 1990, the company had contracted deliveries of over $100 million through 1997 under its seven long term contracts at average selling prices of over $20 per pound.

Uranium Resources Inc. is a Dallas based uranium mining company, whose shares trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol URX and on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol URIX. The company's warrants trade on NASDAQ under the symbol URIXW.

The company produces uranium in South Texas using low cost in situ solution mining techniques, and holds substantial uranium reserves in New Mexico.

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CLARK, NJ (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Whitman Medical Corp. (NASDAQ:WHIT) Wednesday reported net income of $34,702, or 3 cents per share on revenues of $767,787 for the second three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company recorded net income of $66,074, or 6 cents per share on revenues of $761,765 for the first three months ended June 30, 1990.

The company attributes the decline in net income to an increase in expenses ($728,305 in the second quarter 1990 vs. $694,423 in the first quarter 1990), primarily associated with maintaining the newer Ultrasound Diagnostic Schools in Atlanta, Tampa and Pompano Beach.

Enrollment has increased considerably and revenues are increasing from this division. Students attending any of the 10 Whitman Medical-owned schools earn college credits. It takes approximately three years of operation for each school to turn a profit.

Therefore, in order to maximize shareholder value, the company's management decided to delay the opening of other schools until the schools opened in 1988 have had time to mature and become profitable. Instead, the company is hastening the development of other surgical and medical products, which they intend to license.

At this time, the company is completing a prototype of the Fluid Flow Control Valve. This device will be utilized to regulate the amount of fluid the patient receives in intravenous therapy and internal feeding therapy.

The company is also developing a new needleless injection valve. There is now a dramatic need for this type of device as it protects the medical staff from sticking themselves while giving fluid therapy treatments to patients, thereby eliminating the potential of being contaminated by infectious disease such as the AIDS and Hepatitis virus.

Whitman Medical Corp. develops medical and surgical products and is the largest operator of schools specializing in the training of sonographers for the field of medical diagnostic ultrasound.

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DAYTON, OH (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Moto Photo Inc. (NASDAQ:MOTO) Wednesday announced third quater earnings of $57,535 as compared to $155,906 in the thrid quarter of 1989.

After provisions for preferred dividends of $125,250 there is a net loss of 1 cent per common share this year compared to a 1 cent income per share last year. Revenues were $9,812,551 this year as compared to $10,567,436 last year. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, Moto Photo Inc. reported a net loss of $763,279 improved from last year's nine month loss of $1,028,579.

Revenues for the nine months were $27,082,115 compared to $29,091,805 last year. Net loss per share after preferred dividend provisions were 20 cents this year compared to 25 cents last year.

Michael F. Adler, president and chief executive officer of Moto Photo Inc. said, ''Moto's difficulties have centered in the company stores which continue to experience a comparable store sales decline as compared to our franchise system which is showing store for store increases.

''Beginning the third quarter the trend in company stores has shown steady sales improvement and profits have increased. These improvements are especially gratifying given the declining economy, particularly in the Northeast, where over 60 percent of the company stores are located.''

Adler continued, ''We did not equal last year's third quarter earnings because of lower revenues from new franchise store openings which were $512,988 in 1989 as compared to only $214,426 this year. After a slow start, franchise activity has been strong since May. However, we do not recognize revenue when a franchise is sold but only when the store is opened.''

Adler concluded by saying, ''I am encouraged with recent trends in the business and by many significant growth opportunities that are being pursued on the development side. However, the uncertainties in our economy are causing us to reexamine all of our planning assumptions.''

Moto Photo Inc., is a Dayton based franchisor and operator of one-hour photofinishing stores with 342 stores in operation and 21 under development in the United States, Canada, Norway and Sweden.

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AVENEL, NJ (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Concord Camera Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: LENS) Wednesday announced it expects to report record sales and earnings for the first quarter ended September 30, 1990.

The Company noted it will report first quarter results by November 9, 1990 and anticipates reporting an increase in revenues exceeding 50% from the comparable quarter of the preceding year ($9,265,235 for the quarter ended September 30, 1989) and an approximate 100% increase in net income from the comparable quarter of the preceding year ($825,405, $0.20 per share for the quarter ended September 30, 1989).

Concord Camera Corp. is principally engaged in the manufacture and sale of inexpensive 35 millimeter and 110 cartridge cameras which it manufactures and assembles in the People's Republic of China under the CONCORD and ARGUS trademarks as well as under private label.

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DAYTON, OH (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. and Micah Systems Inc. Wednesday announced a joint marketing agreement to provide a Health Information System (HIS) to hospitals and healthcare facilities that will use Micah's Client/Server software and NCR's new System 3000 hardware.

Estimated value of the agreement is over $25 million for Micah and NCR for the next two to three years.

Micah's Client/Server platform is designed to accommodate a network of high-speed servers and microcomputer workstations which can work with thousands of users with no apparent difference in performance. NCR's System 3000 is a broad range of compatible, scalable, general purpose computer systems which are based on Intel microporcessors and support the industry-standard operations systems -- UNIX V.4, SCO UNIX, OS/2 and MS DOS. The system is designed to address any computing level or task in business applications.

Micah's Client/Server system differs from traditional approaches to multi-user computing by not requiring a central processing unit (CPU), which can be

expensive, difficult to maintain, and under heavy loads, can have performance/expansion problems, high costs and limited capability.

Micah Systems, based in Reading, Pa., provides a wide selection of turnkey software/service solutions to the healthcare industry -- including fully-integrated patient accounting, financial, clinical, patient care, decision support and executive information applications.

Service and maintenance support for NCR products in provided by 5,000 field and software engineers at 400 locations in the United States.

NCR Corp., based in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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SHELTON, CT (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Shelton Bancorp Inc. announced that the board of directors nominees for directors, Joseph A. Pagliaro, Pasquale Papale and Charles H. Sullivan, were re-elected for the three year term at the Nov. 7, 1990 Annual Meeting.

Commenting on the voting results, Kenneth E. Schaible, president and treasurer stated that ''As in prior years, stockholder participation was extremely high. Approximately 87 percent of all eligible shares were voted. We believe that this is a clear indication of the support and confidence that our stockholders have always given our board and management.''

Shelton Bancorp Inc. is the parent company of Shelton Savings Bank, a Connecticut-chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank. Since its founding in 1919, Shelton Savings Bank has specialized in retail banking, with specific emphasis on residential mortgage lending. The bank is headquartered in Shelton, Conn. and operates five full service offices within eastern Fairfield and southwestern New Haven counties.

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VAN NUYS, CA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Com Systems Inc. (AMEX:CTM) reported a 35 percent increase in revenue to $35,707,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, vs. $26,477,000 for the corresponding period in 1989.

Revenue for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $100,548,000, a 41 percent increase compared to revenue of $71,386,000 in the same period in 1989.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had net earnings of $15,000, but a loss of 10 cents per common share (after preferred dividends), vs. a net loss of $4,406,000, or 89 cents per common share (after preferred dividends), for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had a net loss of $1,510,000, or 53 cents per common share (after preferred dividends), as compared to a net loss of $6,481,000, or $1.38 per common share (after preferred dividends), for the corresponding period in 1989.

Rex Licklider, chief executive officer of Com Systems, stated, ''The net earnings reported in the third quarter, while modest, reflect our success in reducing network costs and bad debt and controlling operating expenses. The integration of TMC Communications, which was acquired in March of 1990, is largely complete and we are recognizing the expected economies from the consolidated operations.

''Based on these factors and the recent $20 million accounts receivable facility, which will reduce interest expense, we anticipate continued improvement in operating performance.''

Com Systems is a diversified telecommunications company, providing long distance direct dial and operator assisted calling and other enhanced services to customers located in the Western United States.

CONTACT: Com Systems Inc., Van Nuys
Rex Licklider, 818/988-3010

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ATLANTA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Equifax Inc. (NYSE:EFX) announced Wednesday that its shareholders have approved the merger agreement with Telecredit Inc., which provides for a merger ratio of 2.69048 shares of Equifax common stock for each share of Telecredit common stock.

Under the merger agreement, a condition of Telecredit's obligation to complete the merger is that 2.69048 shares of Equifax common stock have a market value of at least $50 based upon the average price during a specified period.

The market value of 2.69048 shares of Equifax common stock for the purposes of this condition is less than $50. Equifax and Telecredit are currently having discussions to determine whether a revision of the exchange ratio is appropriate.

Telecredit provides check authorization, credit card processing and other payment services to retail merchants, financial institutions and others in the United States and Canada.

Equifax is the leading provider of information services and systems for consumer financial transactions throughout the United States and Canada.

CONTACT: Equifax Inc., Atlanta
Tom Maloy, 404/885-8304

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MONTREAL (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - NTN Canada Inc., (NASDAQ:NTNCD) announced Wednesday that it has entered into a major sponsorship for their hockey broadcasts with Canstar.

Canstar Sports Group Inc., are the leaders in the manufacturing of hockey equipment in Canada. The companies making up the group are comprised of well known brands in the hockey industry namely; Cooper Sports, Bauer and Mega Skates.

The Canstar sponsorship will encompass a weekly hockey trivia show designed by NTN and aired prior to each hockey telecast as Cooper Hockey Trivia, a fantasy hockey draft of NHL players called the Mega Hockey Draft and NTN's Powerplay sponsored by Bauer.

Canstar will provide prizes for all hockey programs, ''Point of Play'' promotional materials for all NTN locations and pay NTN an advertising/promotional fee. The total sponsorship package is in excess of ($65,000.00) sixty-five thousand dollars.

NTN Canada is the Canadian licensee for the NTN Entertainment Network, a 24-hour, inter-active, live sports and trivia game, satellite-to-television network.

NTN programming is marketed to hotels, restuarants, bars, clubs and other type of care facilities and allows, the participating patron/viewer to interact with other players throughout the North American continent in live sporting events and in special broadcast trivia programing.

CONTACT: NTN Canada Inc., Montreal
Peter Rona, 514/739-7898

-30- 1620
#90311b0812 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire

CANTON, MA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Instron Corp. Wednesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 3 cents per share on the company's common stock payable Jan. 4, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

This is the 70th consecutive quarterly dividend declared by the company.

CONTACT: Instron Corp., Canton
Linton A. Moulding, 617/828-2500

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#90311b0815 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire

COLLEGE PARK, GA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantic Southeast Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: ASAI) flew 36.7 million revenue passenger miles during October 1990, a 5.4 percent decrease from the same period last year, according to John W. Beiser, a senior vice president for the Atlanta-based airline.

ASA's load factor was 47.5 percent compared with 53.4 percent during October 1989. Available seat miles increased to 77.3 million from 72.6 million, for a 6.4 percent increase. The company enplaned 170,720 passengers during October, compared with 184,516 passengers for the previous October.

On a year-to-date basis, ASA carried 1,693,397 passengers compared with 1,669,814 during 1989, a 1.4 percent increase. Revenue passenger miles totaled 360.4 million compared with 343.7 million, for a 4.9 percent increase.

Available seat miles increased 8.5 percent from 657.6 million to 713.5 million. The load factor on a year-to-date basis was 50.5 percent compared with 52.3 percent during the previous year.

Atlantic Southeast Airlines Inc. is Atlanta's largest regional air carrier, and now offers service to 15 cities from a second hub in Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas. ASA's stock is traded in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol ASAI.

ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES INC. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Month Ended		Percent
	10/30/90	10/31/89	Change
Passengers	170,720	184,516	-7.5
Revenue passenger miles	36,701,549	38,803,776	-5.4
Available seat miles	77,275,683	72,628,585	6.4
Load factor	47.5 pct.	53.4 pct.	-5.9pts.

	Ten Months Year-to-Date		Percent
	1990	1989	Change
Passengers	1,693,397	1,669,814	1.4
Revenue passenger miles	360,421,587	343,725,394	4.9

Available seat miles	713,477,698	657,550,806	8.5
Load factor	50.5 pct.	52.3 pct.	-1.8pts.

CONTACT: Atlantic Southeast Airlines Inc., College Park, John W. Beiser, (404) 996-4562.

-30- 2456

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CONCORD, NH (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - New Hampshire Savings Bank (NASDAQ:NHSB) reports a net loss of $13.2 million, or $2.14 per share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $22.7 million, or $3.69 per share, for the same quarter a year ago.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company reports a net loss of $33.0 million, or $5.34 per share, compared to a net loss of $36.0 million, or $5.84 per share, for the same period a year ago.

Nonperforming assets increased from $159.6 million at June 30, 1990 to $168.8 million at Sept. 30, 1990, or from 12.19 percent to 13.61 percent of total assets. At Sept. 30, 1990 nonperforming assets consisted of $139.0 million of loans on nonaccrual and 90 days past due and $29.8 million of other real estate owned.

During the third quarter a provision of $7.8 million was made to the allowance for credit losses. At Sept. 30, 1990 the allowance for credit losses was $57.9 million which represented 6.04 percent of net loans and leases and 34.27 percent of total nonperforming assets. Net charge-offs for the third quarter were $9.3 million.

At June 30, 1990 the company's shareholders' equity was $11.6 million. Due to the quarterly loss of $13.2 million, shareholders' equity was a deficit of $1.6 million at Sept. 30, 1990. The company's primary capital, which is principally the allowance for credit losses was $56.2 million and its primary capital ratio was 4.33 percent.

The company's principal affiliate bank, New Hampshire Savings Bank has consented to a cease and desist order issued by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and the New Hampshire Banking Department. The consent order requires the bank, among other things, to increase its primary capital by $40 million by Dec. 31, 1990.

The consent order also requires the bank to reduce its classified assets by a significant amount in a timely manner; requires the bank to submit to the regulatory authorities plans to improve a comprehensive range of business operations and procedures, including management, capital, liquidity and profitability; and requires regulatory approval for the declaration or payment of dividends by the bank.

The company has received regulatory approval to merge its two largest affiliate banks, New Hampshire Savings Bank and New Hampshire Savings Bank South, and completed this merger on Nov. 2, 1990. The company recently sought regulatory approval to merge its Rockingham County Trust Co. affiliate with the lead bank and expects to complete this merger by the end of 1990.

The company continues to explore prospects of selling Seabrook Bank and Trust Co. If a suitable transaction cannot be arranged, the company will seek regulatory approval to merge Seabrook Bank and Trust Co. with the lead bank.

New Hampshire Savings Bank Corp., headquartered in Concord, N.H., is the fourth largest bank holding company in the state with assets of $1.24 billion and deposits insured by the FDIC to the maximum extent permitted by law, serving individuals, corporations and municipalities throughout central and southern New Hampshire.

CONTACT: New Hampshire Savings Bank, Concord
Philip B. Emma or Michael Kitch, 603/224-7711.

-30- 3432
#90311b0827 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire

APPLETON, WI (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Peter M. Platten III, president and chief executive officer of Valley Bancorporation (NASDAQ: VYBN) announced Wednesday that approval has been received from the Federal Reserve Board for the affiliation of the Citizens State Bank, Kiel with Valley.

The transaction is expected to be consummated on Dec. 3, 1990.

Citizens State Bank had assets of approximately $42 million at Sept. 30, 1990. Upon completion of this transaction, Valley will have total assets of approximately $3.4 billion and will add service locations, with the addition of offices in Keil, Newton and Glenbeulah.

Platten stated, ''We are enthused about expanded Valley's presence into these strong and growing communities. We look to expand the excellent services Citizens presently offers to these communities. Affiliation with Citizens represents an extension of our current market and provides Valley with an opportunity to expand further into eastern Wisconsin.

''This acquisition fits Valley's philosophy of expanding existing markets to meet our goals relative to growth, market presence, and profitability.''

Citizens will continue to be directed by its existing management team, with current Vice President of Lending, Larry LeMahieu becoming chief operating officer of the bank. In order to further strengthen Citizens management, Gerald H. Zimmel, president and chief executive officer of Valley Bank,

Kewaskum, will assume president responsibilities and William Haskey, executive vice president of Kewaskum will provide additional support.

Valley Bancorporation is the third largest bank holding company headquartered in Wisconsin. Valley, with assets of $3.3 billion, currently serves Wisconsin through more than 100 banking offices with additional financial service companies engaged in leasing, insurance, data processing, trust service, brokerage and credit card servicing.

The company's common stock is traded on the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol VYBN.

CONTACT: Valley Bancorporation, Appleton
Peter M. Platten III, 414/738-3702 or
Gerald H. Zimmel, 414/626-2171

-30- 2340
#90311b0830 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire

MIDDLETOWN, OH (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Pinnacle Bancorp Inc., the holding company for MidFed Savings Bank, announced earnings of $277,000, or 40 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

Pinnacle posted net income of $282,000, or 41 cents per share, for the first quarter of fiscal 1989. The 1989 results were enhanced by a one-time gain of $341,000 from the sale of FHMLC stock.

''Our recent financial restructuring is yielding steady increases in core earnings,'' stated Loren E. Richardson, Pinnacle's chairman and CEO. ''Net interest income, the key component of core earnings, has increased steadily over the past four quarters.

''We continue our strategies of controlling costs and expanding our customer base thorugh new products,'' stated Richardson. ''This strategy is sound.''

In a related event, the Pinnacle board of directors declared a $.125-per-share quarterly cash dividend payable Nov. 30 to shareholders of record on Nov. 19.

The board of directors also announced the termination of further merger discussions with Columbia Federal Savings and Loan of Hamilton, Ohio.

''The present economic and regulatory environments are not favorable to permit active pursuit of this business transaction,'' said Richardson.

CONTACT: Pinnacle Bancorp Inc., Middletown
J. Scott Sims, 513/425-4853

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#90311b0835 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire
AKRON, OH (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Chempower Inc. (OTC:CHEM) announced Wednesday that its board of directors approved a stock repurchase program.

The program authorizes the company to purchase, from time to time, up to 300,000 shares of its common stock. Any shares repurchased will be used to fund the company's Employee Stock Ownership Plan, Stock Option Plan or retired.

CONTACT: Chempower Inc., Akron
Beth Yake, 216/896-4202.

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#90311b0841 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire
WALTHAM, MA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Parametric Technology Corp. (NASDAQ: PMTC) announced major functional enhancements to its Pro/ENGINEER mechanical design automation software with today's introduction of Release 6.0.

This release adds the capability for advanced surface and curve modeling, improved drafting and detailing capabilities, dynamic viewing and large assembly capabilities to the Pro/ENGINEER product family. The release also incorporates more than 250 customer-requested enhancements.

Parametric Technology believes that this software will open new markets for the company's products. ''The ability to design large assemblies and to create complex surfaces and curves for aircraft, automobiles, and ship surfaces adds entirely new categories of users for our products,'' stated Steven C. Walske, president and chief executive officer. ''In addition, the enhancements to our drafting system now makes the entire Pro/ENGINEER product family production-oriented.''

Walske continued, ''Parametric Technology has been introducing major new technology to the market on a six-month cycle and, consequently, the demand for our products continues to increase at a rapid pace. Release 6.0 will add to that demand and further accelerate our growth.''

Parametric Technology Corp. is the technology leader in the mechanical design automation industry. Its Pro/ENGINEER family of CAD/CAM/CAE software products are used by the world's largest manufacturing companies to improve productivity and product quality.

CONTACT: Parametric Technology Corp., Waltham
Liz Schelpert, 617/894-7111

-30- 1801
#90311b0843 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire

SARASOTA, FL (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Christian Purchasing Network Inc. has completed the second phase of its initial public offering with sale of 153,000 units at $1,536,000 for a total of $4.2 million.

The church services company previously received proceeds of sale of 266,000 units on Oct. 1. Each $10 unit is made up of two shares and warrants.

CPN Chairman, Dr. Thomas J. McElheny said the Securities and Exchange Commission has granted a 60 day extension on the offering, which contains a maximum of 600,000 units.

Management Securities of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. is the underwriter. Mayer Securities of New York and Corporate Securities of Sarasota, Fla. are co-underwriters.

CPN in 1989 executed exclusive marketing agreements with publishing houses for Assemblies of God, Church of God, and Disciples of Christ denominations.

Recently, CPN signed a similar agreement to provide goods and services to a fourth denomination, Pentecostal Church of God. Additionally, four other major denominations are presently negotiating with the company.

CONTACT: Gil Waters Enterprises, Sarasota
Gilbert Waters, 813/957-0110

-30- 1334
#90311b0845 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire

WALTHAM, MA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Parametric Technology Corp. (NASDAQ: PMTC) Wednesday announced the addition of a sheet metal design product to its Pro/ENGINEER mechanical design automation system.

The new software module, Pro/SHEETMETAL, includes specific functions and capabilities for automatically creating sheet design models and unbending them into flat patterns.

With Pro/SHEETMETAL, designers can create models of sheet metal parts and assemblies quickly and easily. These models are fully parametric to allow changes in shape, size or thickness. Once a model is created, a sheet metal product family can easily be created by varying features, dimensions, or components. In addition, sheet metal models can be combined with other Pro/ENGINEER models at any time throughout the design-to-manufacturing cycle for analysis and design verification.

Pro/SHEETMETAL can be added to the Pro/MANUFACTURING module of the Pro/ENGINEER family of products or can run in a stand-alone configuration.

Pro/SHEETMETAL will be available in early 1991.

Parametric Technology Corp. is the technology leader in the mechanical design automation industry. Its Pro/ENGINEER family of CAD/CAM/CAE software products provide manufacturing companies with unprecedented flexibility in the creation and production of new mechanical designs.

Pro/ENGINEER offers a unique capability that allows users to shorten new product time-to-market, reduce manufacturing costs, and improve product quality through the evaluation of multiple design alternatives.

CONTACT: Parametric Technology Corp., Waltham
  Liz Schelpert, 617/894-7111.

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     #90311b0847 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire
WALTHAM, MA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Parametric Technology Corp. (NASDAQ:PMTC) Wednesday announced the addition of Pro/LIBRARY to the Pro/ENGINEER product family of mechanical design automation software.

Pro/LIBRARY functions as a central catalogue that provides detailed specifications for standard parts and functions used in mechanical design. The addition of Pro/LIBRARY facilitates the computer-aided design process by making various mechanical parts and features readily accessible for instantaneous insertion in design models and engineering documentation.

Pro/LIBRARY offers over 20,000 standard parts including nuts, washers, keys, screws, bolts, rivets and pins. These parts represent over 120 part-types.

Pro/LIBRARY is available immediately with Release 6.0 of Pro/ENGINEER.

Parametric Technology Corp. is the technology leader in the mechanical design automation industry. Its Pro/ENGINEER family of CAD/CAM/CAE software products provides manufacturing companies with unprecedented flexibility in the creation and production of mechanical designs.

Pro/ENGINEER offers a unique capability that allows users to shorten new product time-to-market, reduce manufacturing costs and improve product quality through the evaluation of multiple design alternatives.

CONTACT: Parametric Technology Corp., Waltham
  Liz Schelpert, 617/894-7111.

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     #90311b0851 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire
WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - NYNEX announced Wednesday the sale of Telco Research Corporation, which NYNEX acquired in 1986, to several

Telco Research officers for an undisclosed amount.

Based in Nashville, Tenn., Telco Research develops and markets integrated software products and services to help businesses manage their telecommunications and information systems. The company is being purchased by three of its officers: Ralph Sonntag, who will become the new president, Ray Montgomery and Karl Steakley.

The sale is part of NYNEX's strategic re-tooling of its software and consulting interests toward a more vertical focus. Telco Research, now free from the restrictions of the Modification of Final Judgment, can enter new markets, including interLATA network management and information services provisioning.

CONTACT: Telco Research, Nashville
Mary Loofbourrow, 615/329-0031
or Stephen Doster, 615/329-0031
or
NYNEX, White Plains
Carol Fessler, 914/644-7844

-30- 1209

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MIAMI LAKES, FL (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Suave Shoe Corp. (NYSE:SWV) Wednesday reported the following results for the fourth fiscal quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30.

For the last quarter, Suave had net income of $751,000 on net sales of $10,594,000.

Pedro Mirones, chief financial officer, said, ''We are pleased with the improvement in profitability for the quarter and year ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to the prior year.

''Such improvement is due mainly to higher margins as a result of increased unit sales for the year, lower than anticipated prices of raw materials, the positive effect of LIFO accounting resulting from reductions in inventories and lower net interest costs as a result of the sale of our import division during the year.''

Net income from continuing operations for the quarter and year ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 include the impact of adjustments to LIFO inventories. For fiscal 1990, the adjustment increased net income by $327,000 (18 cents per share) and for fiscal 1989 the adjustment decreased net income by $314,000 (17 cents per share).

The results for the quarter and year ended Sept. 30, 1989 also include an

increase in income taxes of $346,000 (18 cents per share) representing deferred tax benefits which, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, cannot be recorded as an asset until realized in the company's tax return.

CONTACT: Suave Shoe Corp., Miami Lakes
Pedro Mirones, 305/822-7880

-30- 1651
#90311b0855 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire
YOUNGSTOWN, OH (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Ronald E. Klingle, chairman of the board of American Waste Services Inc. (NYSE:AW) Wednesday announced financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net operating revenues for the third quarter of 1990 increased to $24.9 million, compared to $9.6 million in the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, net operating revenues were $68.3 million, compared to $26.2 million in the comparable 1989 period.

The increases in revenues for both the three and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, were primarily due to increased transportation revenues, as a result of the DartAmericA Inc. acquisition in January 1990, increased transportation brokerage revenues and, to a lesser extent, increased landfill revenues. Net income totaled $2.6 million or 11 cents per share in the current quarter compared to net income of $1.7 million or 8 cents per share in the prior year third quarter.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, rose to $6.7 million or 28 cents per share, up from $4.8 million or 21 cents per share in the prior year.

American Waste Services Inc. provides integrated waste management services, including disposal, transportation and brokerage to industrial, commercial, municipal and governmental customers. With the acquisition of Earth Sciences Consultants Inc. and two affiliated companies on Oct. 12, 1990, these services have been expanded to include environmental engineering, site assessment, analytical laboratory and remediation services.

CONTACT: American Waste Services Inc., Youngstown
Bruce P. Chapnick, Esq., 216/759-7476

-30- 1856
#90311b0859 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire
ATLANTA (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - American Software (NASDAQ:AMSWA) announced Wednesday that Neal L. Miller has been appointed vice president of finance and chief financial officer to replace M. E. Kohlsdorf who resigned to accept a

position with another firm.

Miller is a graduate of Georgia State University with a degree in accounting. He has been an employee of American Software for over seven years, holding several positions including assistant controller. Miller was previously with KPMG Peat Marwick as a member of its audit staff.

American Software, headquartered in Atlanta, develops, markets and supports business application software for a wide range of end-users, including manufacturing companies, public utilities, financial institutions, healthcare facilities and distribution concerns.

CONTACT: American Software, Atlanta
James C. Edenfield, 404/261-4381

-30- 1069
#90311b0860 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire
SAN ANTONIO, TX (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Docucon Inc. (Ticker:DOCUC) announced that its incentive program for conversion of Series A & B Warrants had resulted in an additional $1,250,000 in paid-in capital for the company; the incentive program ended Oct. 22.

The funds will be used for working capital for company growth.

Docucon specializes in converting paper and microform documents to optical disk for government, commercial, military and litgation support applications.

CONTACT: Docucon Inc., San Antonio
Gerard Cullen, 512/593-0183

-30- 715
#90311b0865 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire
NORTH SPRINGFIELD, Vt. (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Vermont Research Corp. announced that for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, it had a net loss of $217,000, or 11 cents per share, as compared to net income of $1,906,000, or 94 cents per share, for the year ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net sales for the year amounted to $4,120,000, down 7 percent from net sales of $4,412,000 in fiscal 1989.

Although net sales and services for the current year were down from the prior year, net sales and services for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were $1,300,000, up 64 percent from the fourth quarter sales one year ago of $791,000. Net loss for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $19,000, or 1 cent per share, as compared to net income of $61,000, or 3 cents per share, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Net product sales and services have increased in each quarter of the 1990 fiscal year. Sales of the company's primary product, Solid State Disks, accounted for the bulk of the sales during the year.

CONTACT: Vermont Research Corp., North Springfield Edward D. Winkler Jr., 802/886-2256

-30- 1273

#90311b0866 11/07/1990 ~Business Wire

AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Healthcare International Inc. (ASE PSE:HII), Wednesday announced that a subsidiary of Greenery Rehabilitation Group Inc. has become the single largest holder of Healthcare's Class B common stock.

Healthcare's Class B common stock carries 10 votes per share and, subject to certain contractual limitations, which are described below, the holders thereof are entitled to elect a majority of Healthcare's board of directors.

Greenery's majority position has arisen as a result of (i) last week's conversion to Class A shares of 1,451,600 Class B shares owned by Healthcare's former chairman, James L. Fariss, and (ii) the subsequent exercise by Greenery of warrants to purchase 400,000 Class B shares.

The conversion of Fariss's Class B shares occurred automatically upon his death. Greenery now owns 650,000 Class B shares of a total of 1,190,315 outstanding and has warrants to purchase additional Class B shares.

Pursuant to a voting agreement among Greenery and most of the other holders of Class B shares, Greenery cannot exercise voting control with respect to election of directors until after Oct. 30, 1991.

In the meantime, a majority of the holders of the other Class B shares subject to the voting agreement, consisting largely of Healthcare management personnel will be entitled to direct the voting of all Class B shares subject to the voting agreement in director elections.

However, Greenery will continue to be entitled to name one representative to Healthcare's board (which to date it has not done), and Greenery will also be entitled to vote its Class B shares on matters other than the election of directors.

In an unrelated matter, the company announced that it has paid approximately $2.9 million to HealthVest, representing certain rent and mortgage payments due for November.

As was announced earlier this week, the standstill agreement between

Healthcare and HealthVest expired on Oct. 31, and the two companies have reached an impasse in negotiations regarding an extension and certain interim restructuring matters.

Jean P. Smith, Healthcare's President, said Healthcare had made the payments in an effort to keep discussions open and to facilitate a mutually agreeable resolution of the two companies' problems.

Healthcare International provides a wide range of health care products and services to both local and national markets through 21 facilities in 4 states. The company's class A common stock is listed for trading on the American and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol HII.

CONTACT: Corporate Communications Inc., Nashville, Tenn.
Patrick J. Watson, 615/254-3376

-30- 2889

#90311c0002 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:22 that trade in Hadson Energy Resources Corp.(NASDAQ: HERC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 10 1/4. The company is located in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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#90311c0003 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 6 due to an insufficient number of active market makers:

Consul Restaurant Corp. Pfd. (CNSLP)

-30- 311

#90311c0004 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following issue will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 7:

Holland Industries Inc. (HOLL) to U.S. Transportation Systems Inc. (USTS), Wts. 2/4/91 (HOLLW) to Wts. 2/4/91 (USTSW)

The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 6:

Imatron Inc. - Uts. 11/12/90 (IMATL) to Uts. 2/10/91 (IMATL); Wts. 11/12/90 (IMATW) to Wts. 2/10/91 (IMATW)

The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 5:

Environmental Diagnostics Inc. (EDIT) to (EDITD) (1 for 15 reverse split)

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#90311c0005 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Greenwood Holdings Inc.(TICKER: GRRL) lost $179,000, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $464,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $56,000, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $491,000 for the same period in 1989.

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#90311c0006 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Kimco Energy Corp.(TICKER: KIMC) lost $1.0 million, or $0.49 per share, on revenues of $582,773 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $665,638, or $0.33 per share, on revenues of $1.83 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90311c0008 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:50 that trade in CF&I Steel Corp.(NASDAQ: CFIP) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 5/8. The company is located in Pueblo, Colorado.

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#90311c0009 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:30 that trade in Caprock Corp.(NASDAQ: CPRK) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last bid-ask was 5/8, 21/32.

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#90311c0010 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:47 that trade in Agnico-Eagle Mines LTD (NASDAQ: AEAG) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 6 1/8. The company is located in Toronto, Ontario.

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#90311c0011 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - Diagnostic Sciences Inc.(TICKER: DSIC) of Huntington, N.Y., has agreed to acquire Sunshine Botanicals Inc. and Interior Plant Supply Inc., two south Florida interior-plant suppliers, in exchange for

4.4 million Diagnostic Sciences common shares.

The deal also calls for Diagnostic Sciences to acquire the Homestead, Fla., property owned by the two companies, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 6, 1990.

-30- 703

#90311c0012 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - Richmond, Calif.-based Tinsley Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: TNSL) has repurchased about 5.75 percent of its common stock, or 51,500 shares, at $5.25 each, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 6, 1990.

-30- 458

#90311c0013 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - Menlo Park, Calif.-based Zycad Corp. (TICKER: ZCAD) has sold its VHDL and ISP simulation business to Synopsys Technology Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Synopsys Inc., for $5 million.

The assets include intellectual property associated with the VHDL and ISP computer software, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 6, 1990.

-30- 593

#90311c0014 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:54 that trade in Componentguard Inc.(NASDAQ: PLUG) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 11/32, 3/8. The company is located in Valhalla, New York.

-30- 355

#90311c0016 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 26 1990, the board of directors of Unilab Corp.(TICKER: ULAB) approved a resolution changing the company's fiscal year end from May 31 to December 31, effective with the year ended Dec. 31, 1990.

-30- 425
#90311c0017 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Touchfon Int'l lost $1,457 on revenues of $267,206 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $24,646 on revenues of $29,773 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 406
#90311c0018 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Oriental Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: OFSB) earned $186,000, or $0.12 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $6,000, at an unknown price per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 450
#90311c0019 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Great Northern Gas Co. lost $18,799, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $28,178 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $345, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $59,484 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 476
#90311c0020 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Toyota Motor Corp.(TICKER: TOYO) earned $2.88 billion, or $0.90 per share, on revenues of $60.08 billion for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of Y 346,262, or Y109.45, on revenues of Y8,021,042 for fiscal 1989.

1989 figures are reported in millions of Japanese yen.

-30- 526
#90311c0021 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows J2 Communications (TICKER: JTWO) earned $457,976, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $6.29 million for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $466,513, or $0.25 per share, on revenues of $6.82 million for fiscal 1989.

-30- 472

#90311c0022 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 10-K report filed at the NASD shows Hemokinetics Inc. lost $11,841, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $27,446 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $17,063, or $0.01 per share, on revenues of $21,293 for fiscal 1989.

-30- 432

#90311c0024 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:00 that trade in Caprock Corp.(NASDAQ: CPRK) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 5/8, 3/4; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 339

#90311c0025 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:35 that trade in CF&I Steel Corp.(NASDAQ: CFIP) has been resumed. The first sale was 1/2; down 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 342

#90311c0026 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:28 that trade in Componentguard Inc.(NASDAQ: PLUG) has been resumed. The first bid was 5/16; up 1/32 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 346

#90311c0027 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by BI Inc.(TICKER: BIAC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,993,000	$5,588,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$626,000	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,663,000	$(992,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.43	$(0.34)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,908,000	2,951,000

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,881,000	$6,890,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,190,000	$3,654,000

-30- 1038

#90311c0028 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by American Toxxic Control Inc.(TICKER: ATCX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended March 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$25,141,000	$17,535,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$221,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$270,000	$(414,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$383,000	$(2,590,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	112,286,084	107,617,000

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,021,000	$12,903,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,413,000	$2,030,000

-30- 1095

#90311c0029 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Work Recovery Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$828,067	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$67,680	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,769,790	$4,307,664
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,091,929	$1,863,749

The company reports that comparative statements of operation have not been presented because it was a development stage enterprise during the comparative prior year period and had no sales or operating expenses.

On Dec. 18, 1989, it acquired an operating entity and merged operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990.

The company's executive offices are located at 2341 S. Friebus, Suite 14, Tucson, AZ 85713, and its telephone number is (602) 296-8067.

-30- 1401
#90311c0030 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Home Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: HROK) lost $235,000, or $0.43 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $101,000, or $0.18 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 431
#90311c0032 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Polymerix Inc.(TICKER: PLXX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$18,000	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(968,000)	$(989,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.17)	$(0.22)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,658,000	4,440,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,798,000	$2,816,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,110,000	$347,000

-30- 1001
#90311c0033 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Gentner Electronics Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,250,884	$1,254,355
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$40,663	$(17,780)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,979,400	2,966,966

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,139,630	$3,276,336
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,041,581	$1,000,918

-30- 1005
#90311c0034 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Inrad Inc.(TICKER: INRD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,640,333	$1,221,706
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$6,500	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$95,461	$1,177
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,388,840	1,388,840

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,510,914	$7,710,667
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,519,578	$6,475,974

-30- 1010
#90311c0035 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ceradyne Inc.(TICKER: CRDN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,422,000	$5,849,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$45,000	$(845,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$23,873,000	$24,398,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,575,000	$18,087,000

-30- 999

#90311c0036 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 6-K report filed at the NASD by Tylox Resource Corp.(TICKER: TYLO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Six Months Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$311,416	$200,750
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(197,260)	$(155,519)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,543,118	$3,948,787
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,596,901	$3,189,993

Figures are reported in Canadian dollars.

-30- 1043

#90311c0037 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:45 that trade in Hadson Energy Resources Corp.(NASDAQ: HERC) has been resumed. The first sale was 10 1/2; up 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 368

#90311c0038 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - Mosler Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 200,000 shares of its common stock to its employees.

There is no public market for the common stock and none is expected to develop the company reports.

The offering price is $10.00 per share.

Mosler is a manufacturer and distributor of physical and electronic security systems.

The company's executive office is located at 1561 Grand Blvd., Hamilton, Ohio 45012 and its telephone number is (513) 867-4000.

-30- 696

#90311c0040 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - Sequel Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 375,000 units.

Each unit consists of 40 Class B common shares.

The initial public offering price is $6.00 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at Pruneyard Towers II, Sixth Floor, Campbell, California 95008.

-30- 637

#90311c0041 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Oct. 12, 1990, Western Community Bancorp merged with and into its wholly-owned subsidiary, Western Community Bank.

Western Community Bank is a California state-chartered bank.

Pursuant to the merger, each outstanding share of Western Community Bancorp's common stock was converted into an equal number of shares of Western Community Bank's common stock.

Accordingly, Western Community Bancorp no longer exists and the company reports this 8-K filing will be its last report under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Western Community Bancorp's executive office is located at 321 East Sixth Street, Corona, California 91719-1599. Its telephone number is (714) 734-4110.

-30- 917

#90311c0042 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Oct. 31, 1990, Donald K, Marks resigned as a director of Jamco Ltd. (TICKER: MSST).

The company's executive office is located at 2329 West Main Street, Littleton, Colorado 80120 and its telephone number is (303) 794-2166.

-30- 438
#90311c0043 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 2,229,100 SHARES (20.64%) OF IDEX CORP (TICKER: IEX) OF NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 12 to Nov. 2, 1990, Gamco Investors purchased 137,200 shares and sold 29,003 shares for $10.50 to $12.13 each.

-30- 481
#90311c0044 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 3,050,280 SHARES (13.40%) OF THE LVI GROUP INC (TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 19 to Nov. 2, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. sold 44,700 common shares form $.06 to $.13 per share and 12,500 preferred shares for $.25 to $.31 per share.

-30- 526
#90311c0045 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 31

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release, Centaur announced it had no intentions of selling any of

its shares in National Intergroup Inc.(TICKER: NII) and that its recent filing of a shelf registration covering the shares held by Centaur was simply to enable it to sell the shares at some future date.

-30- 513
#90311c0046 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY DYSON KISSNER MORAN CORP OF GROUP LED BY NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 438,200 SHARES (6.90%) OF TECH SYM CORP (TICKER: TSY) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a purchase agreement dated Nov. 2, 1990, Dyson Kissner Moran Corp. has agreed to sell 438,200 shares to Tech Sym Corp. for $6 per share.

-30- 521
#90311c0048 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:33 that trade in California Micro Devices (NASDAQ: CAMD) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 15/16. The company is located in Milpitas, CA.

-30- 357
#90311c0049 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:36 that trade in Occupational-Urgent Health Care Systems (NASDAQ: OUCH) has been resumed. The first sale was 12; down 1 point from the halt, and down 1 1/2 points from the previous close.

-30- 407
#90311c0050 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:39 that trade in Agnico-Eagle Mines LTD (NASDAQ: AEAG) has been resumed. The first sale was 5 7/8; down 1/4 point from the halt, and up 1 point from the previous close.

-30- 368
#90311c0051 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:45 that trade in California Micro Devices Corp.(NASDAQ: CAMD) has been resumed. The first sale was 1; up 1/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 366
#90311c0052 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows U.S. Trust Corp.(TICKER: USTC) lost $6.82 million (including $25 million in special charges), or $0.74 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $10.46 million, or $1.05 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 469
#90311c0053 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Consolidated Imaging Corp.(TICKER: CIMG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,127,321	$1,416,323
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$119,977	$(133,931)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,590,780	3,108,171

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,512,694	$3,783,088
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$860,455	$639,783

-30- 1009
#90311c0054 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Allied Clinical Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: ACLB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$19,704,000	$15,172,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(110,000)	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$774,000	$321,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	Not Available
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,434,000	Not Available

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$56,293,000	$52,668,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$40,687,000	$1,014,000

-30- 1090

#90311c0056 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Oct. 31, 1990, the board of directors of Compusonics Video Corp.(TICKER: CPVD) extended the expiration date of the company's Class A warrants and underlying Class B warrants to May 13, 1991.

The exercise price and conditions of exercising these warrants remains unchanged.

The company's executive office is located at 7001 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 420C, W. Bloomfield, Michigan 48322-3608.

Its telephone number is (313) 851-5651.

-30- 672

#90311c0057 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - Cifra S.A. de C.V. has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts for Series B shares, without par value, of Cifra S.A. de C.V.

The company is incorporated in Mexico.

The depositary bank is The Bank of New York and its telephone number is (212) 495-1727.

One hundred and twenty five million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $10 per unit.

The registration fee is $3,125.

NOTE: Each unit represents 100 American Depositary Shares.

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#90311c0058 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Costar Corp.(TICKER: CSTR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

Sept. 30, Sept. 2

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$13,527,000	$8,648,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$940,000	$490,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.27	$0.18
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,539,725	2,683,919

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$51,868,000	$46,839,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$35,850,000	$32,312,000

-30- 1026
#90311c0059 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 25 1990, First National Realty Associates Inc. acquired substantially all the business and assets of Jim Royer Realty Inc. as of Oct. 17, 1990.

The purchase price for Royer's assets was 200,000 shares of First National's common stock, and $350,000 in cash.

First National additionally placed 200,000 shares of its common stock in escrow, to ensure, at the end of the restricting holding period, that the value of such 200,000 shares would not be less than $2.50 per share.

First National's executive offices are located at 154 East Avenue, Norwalk, CT 06851, and its telephone number is (203) 866-3800.

-30- 846
#90311c0060 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows a subsidiary of The Boston Five Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: BFCS), Boston Five Cents Savings Bank F.S.B., assumed on Oct. 19, 1990, $462.0 million in deposits from the receiver of First American Bank for Savings in Dorchester, Massachusetts.

First American was declared insolvent by the Commissioner of Banks and placed in receivership by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) on Oct. 19, 1990.

The Boston Five Cents Savings Bank paid $2.1 million as a premium for the rights to the deposits and received $460.0 million in cash from the FDIC.

-30- 789
#90311c0061 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 31 1990, Hart Holding Co. Inc. announced that in connection with its previously announced intention to dispose of its ARA Automotive Group, it intends to take a charge to earnings of $51.1 million ($32.6 million after taxes) in the third quarter ending Sept. 29, 1990.

The company's executive offices are located at 1120 Post Road, Darien, CT 06820, and its telephone number is (203) 655-6855.

-30- 643
#90311c0062 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 23 1990, Allomon Corp. obtained a restraining order prohibiting American Adventure Inc.(TICKER: AAIX) from transferring any assets which are subject to Allomon's security interest, including the company's bank accounts.

A hearing was scheduled for Nov. 8, 1990, on Allomon's petition for a preliminary injunction seeking to block all funds of American Adventure.

These actions were taken by Allomon in connection with its pending suit, previously reported, for judicial foreclosure of mortgages and liens on substantially all of the assets of American Adventure.

Subsequently, American has been forced to advise its employees that they will not be compensated for continuing to work for American, and American reports it expects to close its campgrounds.

American's executive offices are located at 2121 South Bundy Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90025, and its telephone number is (213) 207-1990.

-30- 1144
#90311c0064 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 22, 1990, Engy Inc., a 91% owned subsidiary of Energy Ventures Inc.(TICKER: ENGY), closed various agreements with Columbia Gas Development Corp. and Golumiba Gas Transmission Corp.

The agreements provided for, among other things, i) the dissolution of the COLEVE joint venture, a joint venture with Columbia Gas Development, ii) the transfer by Engy of certain leasehold interests received by it as part of the dissolution of COLEVE, iii) the settlement of all litigation among the parties relating to COLEVE and iv) the receipt by Engy of approximately $49.5 million in cash.

Prior to this transaction, COLEVE engaged in oil and gas exploration and production off the Louisiana and Texas coasts.

Energy Ventures says it expects to report, after minority interests and before income taxes, income of approximately $45 million as a result of these transactions.

-30- 1113
#90311c0065 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 26 1990, Techniclone International Corp.(TICKER: TCLN) entered into a purchase agreement with Sterling Drug Inc.(TICKER: STY).

Pursuant to the agreement, Sterling Drug purchased certain laboratory equipment from Techniclone for $300,000.

In connection with the sale of the assets, Techniclone will vacate its current facility at 14282 Franklin Ave., Tustin, CA 92680 and relocate to 14262 Franklin Ave., Tustin, CAL 92680.

-30- 662
#90311c0066 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 31 1990, Offshore Logistics Inc.(TICKER: OLOG) sold substantially all of the assets of its Marine division to Gulf Applied Technologies Inc.(TICKER: GATS).

The assets sold to Gulf Applied Technologies included 12 vessels and certain equipment, inventory, contract rights and proposals for contracts related to such vessels.

Gulf Applied Technologies paid Offshore Logistics $17.18 million for the Marine division and assumed certain liabilities of Offshore Logistics.

-30- 718
#90311c0067 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Moleculon Inc.(TICKER: MBIO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$11,822,334	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$409,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$987,345	$(478,160)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$(0.09)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,782,019	10,782,019

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$30,829,727	$28,911,418
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$19,435,740	$18,448,395

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#90311c0068 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by RealAmerica Co.(TICKER: RACO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$25,424	$428,786
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$115,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(121,095)	$339,641
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.11

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Nov. 30, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$2,247,993	$2,921,087
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,661,870	$2,314,746

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#90311c0069 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by BI Inc.(TICKER: BIAC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,687,000	$2,237,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$185,000	$75,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$497,000	$251,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,786,000	3,333,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,785,000	$12,881,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,012,000	$9,190,000

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#90311c0070 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 2, 1990, Van Dorn Co.(TICKER: VDC) announced the consolidation of its Plastics Machinery Division, Cleveland, Ohio assembly operation into its Strongville, Ohio plant.

The closing of the East 79th Street operation will be completed in about two months.

Van Dorn also announced it anticipates moving its corporate office to another location in the greater Cleveland area sometime during 1991.

Van Dorn's executive office is located at 2700 East 79th Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44104 and its telephone number is (216) 361-5234.

-30- 770
#90311c0072 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P. WAGNER OF 452 COLE MILL RD, FRANKLINVILLE, NJ 08322, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DEVELOPERS OF ENERGY SYSTEMS CORP. THROUGH M.H. MEYERSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(DEVELOPERS OF ENERGY SYS CORP. TEL: 609 629-0100)

-30- 441
#90311c0073 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.T. W TRUST OF 6727 ODESSA AVE, VAN NUYS, CA 91406, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF PINKERTON'S INC. (TICKER: PKTN) THROUGH LH FRIEND WEINRESS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 5, 1990.

(PINKERTON'S INC. TEL: 818 782-5400)

-30- 405
#90311c0074 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GREYLOCK VENTURES LTD PRTNRSHP OF 1 FEDERAL ST, BOSTON, MA 02110, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,667 SHARES OF THE ALPINE GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGI) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 02, 1990.

(THE ALPINE GROUP INC. TEL: 201 343-7600)

-30- 441
#90311c0075 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY HILLMAN OF 15 GOODHART DRIVE, LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 201 386-0600)

-30- 428
#90311c0076 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHIRLEY TARICA OF 8 DORTHY ST, SYOSSET, NY 11791, HAS FILED TO SELL 46,667 SHARES OF DRILLSTAR CORP. (TICKER: DRIL) THROUGH PARKER JAMESON INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(DRILLSTAR CORP. TEL: 212 496-6222)

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#90311c0077 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK RODENBECK OF 8156 SOUTH NEWPORT WAY, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF UTILITECH INC. (TICKER: UTLL) THROUGH J.W. GANT & ASSOCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(UTILITECH INC. TEL: 213 441-4119)

-30- 406
#90311c0078 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TRANSTECH INDUSTRIES INC OF 50 OAK STREET, EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ 07073, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,156 SHARES OF CAROLYN BEAN PUBLISHING LTD. (TICKER: CBEN) THROUGH FAGENSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(CAROLYN BEAN PUBLISHING LTD. TEL: 415 732-9320)

-30- 447
#90311c0080 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH CHALHOUB OF 777 BIG TIMBER RD, ELGIN, IL 60123, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SAFETY-KLEEN CORP. (TICKER: SK) THROUGH WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(SAFETY-KLEEN CORP. TEL: 708 697-8460)

-30- 407
#90311c0081 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BERNER RICHARD O TTEE OF 1200 WALL ST WEST, LYNDHURST, NJ 07071, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,660 SHARES OF CURTISS-WRIGHT CORP. (TICKER: CW) THROUGH GABRIELE HUEGLIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 02, 1990.

(CURTISS-WRIGHT CORP. TEL: 201 896-8411)

-30- 432
#90311c0082 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TAYLOR R JENSON OF 2700 COLORADO AVE, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,500 SHARES OF NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: NME) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC TEL: 213 315-8000)

-30- 456
#90311c0083 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VERTICAL LIFT PARTNERS OF 400 MADISON AVE, SUITE 1410, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 257,313 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

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#90311c0084 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD REISSNER OF 400 MADISON AVE, SUITE 1410, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 262,313 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

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#90311c0085 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD F LYONS OF 176 HORSEPOND RD, 0, MADISON, CT 06443, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,898 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

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#90311c0086 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN BEAHN OF 1912 FAIRCLOUD DR,
EDMOND , OK 73034, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,153 SHARES OF FIRST FINANCIAL MGMT CORP. (TICKER: FFM) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(FIRST FINANCIAL MGMT CORP. TEL: 404 321-0120)

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#90311c0088 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIM DAVIDSON OF 10880 WILSHIRE BLVD STE 620, LOS ANGELES, CA 90024, HAS FILED TO SELL 125,000 SHARES OF UTILITECH INC. (TICKER: UTLL) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(UTILITECH INC. TEL: 213 441-4119)

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#90311c0089 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SYMONDS TRUST CO LTD OF 2040 NORTH LOOP WEST #200, HOUSTON, TX 77018, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,669 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

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#90311c0090 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SPENCER AARON D REV TRUST OF 100 CHARLES PARK RD, WEST ROXBURY, MA 02132 HAS FILED TO SELL 57,875 SHARES OF UNO RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: UNO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(UNO RESTAURANT CORP. TEL: 617 323-9200)

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#90311c0091 11/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - U S WEST MASTER TRUST OF 501 EAST MIDDLEFIELD RD, MTN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,738 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

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#90311c0092 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAROLD M CERRA OF 605 OCEAN DRIVE, APT #11M, KEY BISCAYNE, FL 33602, HAS FILED TO SELL 300,000 SHARES OF POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. (TICKER: PMCX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. TEL: 517 790-4764)

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#90311c0093 11/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BEECHER SECURITIES CORP OF 200 THEATER PLACE, BUFFALO, NY 14202, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: AIN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 518 445-2200)

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#90311d0030 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (NOV. 7) - The U.S. aircraft maker McDonnell Douglas hinted Wednesday that it may cut the price of jet fighters it plans to sell to South Korea, which says it is reviewing the multi-billion dollar deal.

But company executives said price increases which caused the South Korean government to take a second look had been outside its control and were much less than officials here claimed.

McDonnell Douglas also for the first time revealed how much the increase had been, saying it "was less than 20 per cent" and raised the cost of the program from around five billion dollars to six billion.

Some South Korean officials have put the increase at more than 40 per cent, or more than two billion dollars.

The company's International Program Development Director George Hibbard also warned that a reversal of the decision to buy the McDonnell Douglas FA 18 Hornets might spook companies wishing to do business here in the future.

The South Korean government picked McDonnell Douglas over General Dynamics,

which was offering the F-16, in December after an evaluation of more than six years, one of the longest in the history of McDonnell Douglas.

But the Ministry of National Defense surprised the St. Louis, Missouri-based aircraft manufacturer last week when it said it would review the deal again.

Mr. Hibbard said the two main reasons why the price had increased was that the prices were conceived two years ago and that estimates for inflation over the next 10 years had ballooned.

"All of these factors are factors that McDonnell Douglas does not directly control," he said. "McDonnell Douglas did not arbitrarily increase the price of the aircraft after our aircraft was selected."

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#90311d0090 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (NOV. 7) - Oil production from Vietsopetro, a joint venture between Hanoi and Moscow, is expected to reach 3.5 million tons in 1991, more than a million tons higher than this year's output, the daily Nhan Dan said Wednesday.

Crude oil production from the Bach Ho (White Tiger) field had risen from 8,500 tons daily to 10,000 tons a day and the joint venture's output was at its "highest level ever," the official newspaper said.

If the trend continued, 1990 output would be 160,000 tons higher than the production target of 2.5 million tons, which was itself an increase of one million tons over the previous year, Nhan Dan said.

Output reached more than 2.2 million tons up as of Wednesday and an eighth well would be put into operation before the year ended, the newspaper said.

The 10-year-old company now employs 6,000 Vietnamese and 1,200 Soviet workers and is the only one in production in Vietnam, Nhan Dan said.

British Petroleum, the French company Total, Anglo-Dutch-Belgian consortium Petrofina-Shell and the Anglo-French group, CEPT-Enterprise, are all prospecting for oil in Vietnamese territorial waters.

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#90311d0210 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 7) - Shares in Japan's TDK Corp., a world leader in the manufacture of blank cassette tapes, will be quoted on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange from next Tuesday, TDK said here Wednesday.

The move was aimed at allowing TDK to finance European expansion in view of German reunification, developments in Eastern Europe and the abolition of internal tariff barriers in the European Economic Community in late 1992, observers said here.

TDK has already said it would open a new factory in Luxembourg next spring and would form a joint venture with German firm Robert Bosch GmBH in January.

TDK's shares are quoted in London, New York, Paris, Amsterdam, Brussels and Antwerp.

The shares of 57 Japanese companies are already quoted in Frankfurt.

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#90311d0280 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (NOV. 7) - New Zealand's biggest public company, Fletcher Challenge Ltd. (FCL), is aiming this financial year at a net profit similar to last year's record of 662 million New Zealand dollars (403 million dollars U.S), chairman Sir Ronald Trotter told the company's annual meeting Wednesday.

FCL is a dominent player in the world pulp and paper industry and also specialises in energy production and construction.

Sir Ronald said FCL was conscious of the uncertain outlook in the national and international business environment. The immediate aim was to continue improving FCL's debt to equity ratio, which stands at 55:45 -- unchanged since the June 30 balance date.

"Further initiatives will not be undertaken if they have an adverse effect on our financial ratios," Sir Ronald said.

He said the company expects to realise the benefits of a major capital spending programme. It had reduced its product range and focused on business areas where it had a competitive advantage.

This had resulted in divestments worth more than two billion dollars (1.2 billion U.S.) in the past three years.

He said FCL now had "strategic positions" in the United States, Britain, Chile Brazil, Australia, Canada and New Zealand.

The company's capital spending had peaked and would decline substantially over the next 18 months. Pulp and paper mill upgradings had been completed and the

company would increasingly benefit from that over the next two years.

Sir Ronald also said FCL ranked as a sizeable intermediate company in the international oil business, with reserves of 440 million barrels of oil equivalent.

Chief executive Hugh Fletcher later told reporters that moves to cut debt would involve more asset sales, but declined to say what FCL planned to sell.

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#90311d0300 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 7) - China's steel production in the first 10 months of the year rose by 8.2 percent to 54.48 million tons and reached 89 percent of its production target for all of 1990, the China Daily said Wednesday.

It quoted a Metallurgical Industry Ministry official as saying 1990 steel production was expected to reach 64 million tons, three million tons above target, despite a slowdown in production expected for the rest of the year.

The official English-language newspaper said the official attributed the higher production mainly to improved raw material and electricity supplies.

However, profits from the country's key iron and steel enterprises had fallen by 15.7 percent in the first nine months of the year, and nine major enterprises, which the official did not name, were losing money, China Daily said.

China is the fourth largest steel producer in the world.

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#90311d0330 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 7) - Japan remained pessimistic Wednesday about a successful conclusion to the current Uruguay Round of trade talks despite the European Economic Community's agreement on cutting farm subsidies by 30 per cent.

"We are not so optimistic on the possibilities of an agreement on farm issues " said an official handling negotiations on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) which are due to end in December.

EEC agriculture ministers agreed late Tuesday, after weeks of talks, to cut farm subsidies by 30 per cent over 10 years, retroactive to 1986.

The United States and other food exporting countries want much larger cuts in the subsidies, which have become one of the crucial issues in the Uruguay Round.

An official at Japan's agriculture ministry said the EEC agreement followed "difficult political negotiations" and it was hard to see what future developments would be, given that the EEC package was "wide apart from U.S. demands."

It was only a "starting point," like the Japanese and U.S. positions, another official said, adding that the negotiations would remain difficult.

Tokyo has likewise proposed a 30 per cent cut in farm subsidies, he said.

"We are now studying the implications of the proposals, ... (and) the amendments including special community preference," he said.

Japan, for its part, has repeatedly refused to open its domestic market to rice imports, claiming self-sufficiency in food production was essential to national security. Observers here say Tokyo might be ready to make some concession on this at the GATT talks.

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#90311d0380 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (NOV. 7) - Consumer prices in Greece rose by 2.4 percent in October compared with September, taking the increase during the last 12 months to 22.3 percent, official figures showed on Wednesday.

In October 1989 prices rose by two percent.

During the first 10 months of 1990 prices rose by 19.9 percent.

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#90311d0400 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (NOV. 7) - Australia and New Zealand will coordinate their anti-driftnet fishing maritime surveillance this southern summer season, New Zealand Foreign Minister Don McKinnon said in a statement here Wednesday.

Driftnet fishing is strongly criticized by environmentalists as being damaging and is opposed by all South Pacific governments and the United States. The major driftnet operator in this region is Taiwan.

The fishing season usually starts this month and runs through to around March.

Mr. McKinnon said the Royal New Zealand Air Force and the Royal Australian Air Force would monitor activities by driftnet fishing vessels in the Tasman Sea and the south-west Pacific.

The decision to co-ordinate surveillance was originally announced in February, when Australia's Prime Minister Bob Hawke signed a convention for the

prohibition of fishing with long driftnets in the South Pacific.

New Zealand signed the convention in November 1989.

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#90311d0670 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (NOV. 7) - The Nigerian government is to investigate claims that businessmen have imported large quantities of blood for sale to hospitals, Health Minister Olikoye Ransome-Kuti has announced here.

The independent National Concord daily on Wednesday reported that the minister was tipped off to the alleged imports on Tuesday by a professional midwife attending a workshop on "safe motherhood".

The blood of unknown origin has been distributed across Nigeria, subjecting unsuspecting patients to the risk of transfusions of unscreened blood, the paper said.

Prof. Ransome-Kuti told the workshop that a special committee had been set up to prepare guidelines on transfusion with a view to formulating a national policy.

He was quoted as saying that at least 500,000 people in Nigeria may have been infected by the deadly HIV virus causing the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome. AIDS can be transmitted by transfusions of blood with the virus.

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#90311d0720 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 7) - The brother of a murdered Kenyan foreign minister has fled to United States, where he has been accepted as a refugee, a Kenyan Foreign Ministry official said Wednesday.

Barrack Mbajah, a brother of Robert Ouko, whose killing sparked anti-government riots in February after opposition figures blamed the government for his death, disappeared 10 days ago.

A commission investigating Mr. Ouko's killing had attempted to summon Mr. Mbarajah to answer contempt charges after he was quoted in a local newspaper as saying that his brother's murder was "no passing cloud".

The foreign ministry official said the U.S. Embassy had informed the ministry that the United States has accepted Mr. Mbajah as a refugee "on the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees' recommendation."

He quoted the embassy as saying that "neither the embassy nor the United States government played a role in Mr. Mbajah's departure from Kenya."

The embassy said Mr. Mbajah had applied to UNHCR for refugee status from outside Kenya, according to the Kenyan official. U.S. embassy officials refused to comment, but did not deny the foreign ministry official's statement.

Kenyan authorities called in British police to help investigate Mr. Ouko's killing after his charred and mutilated body was found in February.

But they have refused to make public a Scotland Yard report which several London newspaper articles have said implicates Mr. Ouko's fellow cabinet colleagues and suggests political motives for his killing.

Mr. Ouko had called for a corruption probe into members of the government shortly before he was killed.

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#90311d0840 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (NOV. 7) - Vietnamese authorities have recovered 100 billion dongs (16 million dollars) in a crackdown on tax evasion, the official Nhan Dan newspaper said Wednesday.

Only just over a month since their creation, the task forces set up to track down tax evasion have uncovered tax frauds totalling more than 150 billion dongs (24 million dollars), it said.

Tax evasion and smuggling cost Hanoi heavily in lost revenue and are compounding the country's economic crisis.

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#90311d0910 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BASTIA, CORSICA (NOV. 7) - An epidemic that has killed more than 250 dolphins in the Mediterranean is caused by a virus similar to one responsible for a nervous disease in dogs, French veterinary services said here Wednesday.

But "the development of this virus is due to the general degradation of the environment and all the pollution associated with it", said Denise Viale, the services' expert on marine mammals.

She warned that the region faced a "serious epidemic" first spotted "in July on the Spanish coasts and which has spread progressively".

More than 250 dead dolphins have washed up on French and Spanish beaches since July. Five more were found on the Corsican coast at the weekend and were being autopsied here in an attempt to find out more about the disease that killed them.

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#90311d0990 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KHARTOUM (NOV. 7) - A senior military officer has said that there is a plan by the government to give military training to all Sudanese within the next five years, it was reported here Wednesday.

The officer, Brigadier Babiker Abdul Mahmoud, was speaking at the passing out ceremony of 1,500 recruits of militiamen known as People's Defense Forces.

The ceremony took place in Muglad in southern Kordofan, the only area in northern Sudan where the rebel Sudan People's Liberation Army (Spla) has caused security concern.

Brigadier Mahmoud was quoted by the ''el Ingaz el Watan'' daily as saying that the People's Defense Forces would be deployed to defend the oil fields abandoned by Chevron Oil Company because of the Spla activty.

The brigadier reiterated the government's determination to train 150,000 militiamen by June 30 next year when the country will be celebrating the second anniversary of the National Salvation Revolution that came to power in a military coup in 1989.

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#90311d1230 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 7) - The British government on Wednesday announced it had inaugurated a second fellowship program in honor of veteran anti-apartheid campaigner Helen Suzman.

The scholarship will cater for 20 black women at Johannesburg's University of the Witwatersrand.

Whitehall will contribute 250,000 rand (95,000 dollars) per annum over the next three years for black women students to attend the university, the British ambassador to South Africa, Sir Robert Renwick, said at the launch of the scheme.

Last year the British government announced 20 scholarships for students to study in Britain to mark Mrs. Suzman's retirement from the South African parliament.

The Suzman awards were created in honor of her contribution to human rights and democratic freedoms in South Africa.

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#90311d1300 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 7) - Former Japanese prime minister Yasuhiro Nakasone and 77 Japanese nationals held here against their will left Baghdad for Tokyo Wednesday, airport sources reported.

Their Japan Airlines 747 took off at 3.25 p.m. (1225 GMT), leaving some 270 Japanese nationals still held hostage.

President Saddam Hussein on Tuesday ordered the release of the Japanese, along with 31 citizens of other countries.

They had been held by Iraqi authorities to deter a feared attack by U.S.-led forces that assembled in Saudi Arabia and elsewhere in the Gulf after the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The Japanese Foreign Ministry earlier Wednesday said 78 Japanese nationals had been freed.

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#90311d1340 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (NOV. 7) - Namibia and the Soviet Union will soon implement large-scale joint development projects to their mutual benefit, the charge d'affaires at the Soviet embassy, Pavel Pavlov, said here Wednesday.

Mr. Pavlov said negotiations were in progress between representatives of the two countries on promoting bilateral economic co-operation, South African radio news said.

The Soviet Union is prepared to assist Namibia in a number of fields, including irrigation, mineral prospecting and oil exploration.

A delegation of Namibian businessmen is expected to visit the Soviet Union in the near future.

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#90311d1360 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 7) - A 17-year-old Hindu schoolboy died here of burns after setting himself alight Wednesday to protest last week's police shooting of Hindus who tried to storm a mosque in northern India.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) quoted doctors as saying Sanjay Goel, who had been rushed to hospital with burns covering his whole body, died late Wednesday afternoon.

He had poured kerosine over himself and lit a match outside his school early in the morning.

It was the second immolation attempt over a raging mosque-temple dispute in the northern Indian town of Ayodhya, where militant Hindus want to raze a 16th century mosque and replace it with a temple.

An activist of the Hindu-revivalist Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Kewal Krishnan Kapoor, set himself on fire here October 26 to protest the arrest of his party leader, Lal Krishna Advani. He is still hospitalized.

Mr. Advani was detained by the government to stop him leading Hindu militants to Ayodhya, where Hindus tried to storm the mosque twice last week.

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#90311d1380 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 7) - Queen Elizabeth Ii presented a small governmental program during her traditional speech at the opening of Britain's parliament here Wednesday, leaving the possibility open for the government to call early elections next summer.

Only 15 new bills were included in the speech, making it the thinnest program in Conservative Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's 11-year office.

The queen announced further privatisation bills including the intention to introduce legislation to encourage privately financed roads and the conversion of trust ports into private companies.

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#90311d1460 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 7) - The vice president of the African National Congress, Nelson Mandela, arrived in Paris on Wednesday for a short visit during which he will meet President Francois Mitterrand.

Mr. Mandela arrived from London where he held talks with Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd on the situation in South Africa and British investments there.

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#90311d1500 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (NOV. 7) - Cordless telephones were declared illegal by the Federal Office of Radio Communication, the Belgrade daily Vecernje Novosti reported Wednesday.

Gavrilo Vuksanovic, deputy director of the federal office, said the decision was made because the telephones interfered with radio frequencies used by civil aviation, the police, army and rescue services.

However, owners of cordless phones are likely to continue using them as the

fines for possessing one do not exceed 100 dinars (less than a dollar).

The paper reported that 100 miliwatt or less cordless phones with a range of 50 metres (165 feet) indoors and 400 metres (1,320 feet) outdoors were not banned.

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#90311d1540 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 7) - Interior ministers of the Gulf Cooperation Council (Gcc) met here Wednesday to discuss ways of bolstering security cooperation.

The ministers of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain, Oman and the United Arab Emirates (Uae) are expected to review the new situation in the wake of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

The Gulf News Agency said the ministers would also discuss a formula for a comprehensive security umbrella to protect the six Gcc member states.

Omani Interior Minister Bader bin Saud bin Hareb, who chaired the session, said ''Iraq's occupation of Kuwait and infringement of its sovereignty and sanctity are a dangerous precedent which the entire world has not witnessed since the Second World War.''

Given the current East-West detente, ''Iraq's aggression represented a flagrant violation of all international charters and laws,'' the minister said.

''These developments call on us to exert more efforts to maintain security and stability in our countries, which have always provided a vivid example of security and stability for others,'' he added.

The Gcc, set up in 1981 after the start of the Iraq-Iran war, is designed to coordinate economic and defence policies of the six conservative oil-rich states.

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#90311d1580 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 7) - Prince Karim Aga Khan IV was Wednesday awarded the Legion of Honour by French President Francois Mitterrand in tribute to his "eminent services to humanity".

The 53-year-old spiritual leader of Ismaili Moslems in 1967 founded the Aga Khan foundation, aimed at promoting economic and social development aid for Asia and Africa.

He later set up an economic development fund, and a culture trust to save

Islamic architecture.

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#90311d1710 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 7) - Japan's Sekisui Chemical Co. Ltd. said Wednesday its net profit fell 5.4 percent from a year earlier to 11.4 billion yen (82 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The fall reflected a 36 percent decline in investment income to 8.7 billion yen (63 million dollars) following a slump in Japanese stock prices during the period, a company official said.

Sekisui, a major chemical firm with strong polyvinyl chloride (PVC) and pre-frabricated housing activities, said sales rose 10.9 percent to 296 billion yen (two billion dollars).

Pre-fabricated house sales surged 15.7 percent to 149 billion yen (one billion dollars) while sales of pipes and fittings rose 5.2 percent to 44 billion yen (320 million dollars).

Sales of films and molded products advanced 6.3 percent to 28 billion yen (205 million dollars) and chemicals increased 10.8 percent to 22 billion yen (160 million dollars). But sales of adhesives, tapes and related products dropped 0.4 percent to 20 billion yen (146 million dollars).

For the full year to March, the company forecast a net profit of 26 billion yen (188 million dollars) on sales of 600 billion yen (4.3 billion dollars).

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#90311d1720 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 7) - Japan's biggest pharmaceutical company Takeda Chemical Industries Ltd. said Wednesday its net profit rose 5.2 percent from a year earlier to 19 billion yen (138 million dollars) in the six months to September.

But sales shrank 6.8 percent to 271 billion yen (two billion dollars), reflecting the expiry of a marketing agreement for Bayer products in April following the German company's establishment of an independent Japanese unit.

Takeda's operating profit also declined but was offset by increased investment income which helped to boost the company's overall net profit.

Sales of pharmaceuticals, accounting for 66 percent of all sales, dropped 11 percent to 179 billion yen (1.3 billion dollars). Sales of foodstuffs, agricultural chemicals and veterinary drugs also declined but sales of other chemicals rose, the company said.

Takeda forecast a net profit of 38.5 billion yen (280 million dollars) for the full year on sales of 555 billion yen (four billion dollars).

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#90311d1730 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 7) - Taisei Prefab Construction Co. and Marubeni Corp. have set up a joint company with a Bangkok firm to sell prefabricated houses in Thailand, the two Japanese companies announced Wednesday.

The joint firm, Siam Tannee Properties, will be capitalized at 100 million baht (4.3 million dollars).

The Thai partner, Land Developing House Co., will share 61 percent of the capital. Marubeni, a leading house in Japan, will shoulder 25 percent and Taisei the remaining 14 percent.

The joint company hopes to get orders for 40 six-storey apartment houses for about 2,000 households, company officials said.

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#90311d1790 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 7) - Despite fears of a worldwide recession, Taiwan should maintain moderate growth and mild inflation over the next four years, two Taiwan economists said at a regional conference here Wednesday.

However, due to sluggish exports and an industrial production slump, the gross domestic product (GDP) growth for 1990 will be a mere 4.5 percent, compared to 7.5 percent last year, Joan Lo and Yu Tzong-shian said in their paper.

Mr. Yu, of the Academia Sinica and the Chung-hua Institution for Economic Research, and Ms. Lo, from Academia Sinica's Institute of Economics, presented their study at an "Asian Economic Outlook" meeting sponsored by the Manila-based Asian Development Bank (ADB).

If Taiwan upgraded its industrial structure and realized "liberalization and internationalization" of its economy, it should post a GDP growth rate of 6.6 percent next year, 6.5 percent in 1992, 7.5 percent in 1993 and 7.8 percent in 1994, the paper said.

The forecasts are conditional on the Gulf conflict being "settled" this year, the absence of major political instability at home and military conflicts across the Taiwan Strait with China, and an average annual growth rate of around three per cent in Western economies.

The economists forecast a 0.9 percent decline in exports of goods and services this year from a 5.5 percent growth last year, due to a fall in exports to the

United States and Japan, with protectionism and rapid appreciation of the Taiwan dollar weighing in.

Exports were expected to pick up by 3.3, 4.2, 6.3 and 7.6 percent over the next four years, they added.

Imports will rise by 3.2 percent this year due to low growth in industrial production, then rise to 4.7 percent next year, 8.5 percent in 1992, 9.2 per cent in 1993 and 10.5 percent the year after.

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#90311d1810 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manila (NOV. 7) - For the first time in four years, the Philippines trade with the European Community has slipped into a deficit, Manila reported here Wednesday.

Trade with the E.C. in the first seven months of 1990 produced a deficit of 60.13 million dollars, compared to a 16 million dollar surplus in the same period last year, the Ministry of Industry and Trade reported.

Exports to the E.C. reached 852.44 million dollars, up from 807 million dollars in the first seven months of last year. But imports rose more strongly, to 912.57 million dollars, compared to 791 million dollars in the January-July 1989 period.

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#90311d1830 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 7) - Hong Kong will experience modest economic growth in the next few years because of the anticipated world recession and local capacity constraints, experts told a regional conference here Wednesday.

Economists Win-lin Chou and T.B. Lin of the Chinese University of Hong Kong told the conference hosted by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) that the colony's gross domestic product (GDP) would grow by 2.6 percent this year.

This would improve to four to five per cent in the next two years, according to their forecasts made before the effects of the Gulf crisis were known.

"Because of the difficulties in predicting the impact of external factors such as the oil price upsurge shocks and the possible U.S. economy recession in ascertaining the speed of adjustment, the forecast is subject to a high degree of uncertainty," they said.

Economic and political policies in China, which resumes sovereignty over Hong Kong in 1997, would also affect the British colony's prospects, they said without going into detail.

They noted that the impact of last year's June 4 massacre of pro-democracy students in Beijing contributed to the colony's GDP growth slowdown to 2.5 per cent in 1989, after expansion rates of 13.9 and 7.9 percent in 1987 and 1988 respectively.

Exports will grow by only about one per cent in 1990 because of the oil shock and the decline in demand from major markets registered in the first semester, but would rise to 5.5 percent in the next two years, they said.

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#90311d1890 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 7) - The foreign ministers of Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia are to meet Friday and Saturday in Damascus to discuss the situation in the Gulf after the tour of U.S. Secretary of State James Baker.

Mr. Baker was in Bahrain and Saudi Arabia at the week end, Egypt on Tuesday and is now in Turkey. He will travel on to the Soviet Union, Britain and France to consult members of a coalition opposed to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

Esmat Abdel Meguid of Egypt, Farouk al-Shara of Syria and Prince Saud al-Faisal of Saudi Arabia will also consider the current Middle East mission of Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen.

The three Arab ministers, whose countries have all strongly condemned Iraq's occupation of Kuwait, met October 31 in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

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#90311d1910 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (NOV. 7) - Treasurer Paul Keating on Wednesday tipped further interest rates cuts, the Australian dollar fell and share prices rose in the wake of much lower than expected inflation for the September quarter.

The latest figures released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics showed prices increased by only 0.7 percent for the quarter, giving an annual rate of six percent.

This compared with a rise of 1.6 percent in the June quarter, making an annual rate of 7.7 percent, and 2.3 percent in the September quarter of last year, an annual rate of 8.3 percent.

The latest increase gave the Labor Government a much needed boost. It was significantly below financial market predictions of inflation between 1.6 per cent and 1.9.

Mr. Keating said the inflation figure showed further cuts in interest rates were still possible this calendar year.

It was the fifth consecutive quarterly fall in inflation and the underlying rate, he said. It was also the lowest since the June quarter of 1971.

Mr. Keating denied at a news conference that Prime Minister Bob Hawke had ruled out further cuts in monetary policy when he said Tuesday the government could do no more with rates to help farmers.

"What this figure shows is that we have inflation decelerating and it is a possiblity that we could see official rates cut off more," Mr. Keating said.

Within the eight major categories of the consumer price index, transportation, tobacco and alcohol recorded the largest quarterly increases.

A sharp fall in vegetable prices helped offset petrol price rises, with a drop in car prices and lower housing prices also having a moderating influence.

Some economists said the reduction underlined the recessionary state of the economy to a point where further rate falls are essential.

However, Intosh Hamson Hoare Govett chief economist Saul Eslake said the latest figures were "an extremely lucky break for the government", which had forecast a fiscal year end inflation rate of six percent.

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#90311d1940 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 7) - Yugoslav President Borisav Jovic arrived here Wednesday for a four-day state visit to South Korea.

He was welcomed at Seoul's Kimpo airport by South Korean Prime Minister Kang Young-Hoon.

He is scheduled to have talks with South Korean President Roh Tae-Woo on Thursday and meet South Korean business leaders.

He is accompanied by his wife and Federal Secretary for Foreign Affairs Budimir Loncar.

Yugoslavia followed Hungary and Poland in establishing formal diplomatic ties with South Korea in December, ignoring protests from traditional communist ally North Korea.

Two-way trade totalled 67 million dollars last year but jumped to 149 million dollars during the first seven months of this year.

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#90311d1990 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOVER (NOV. 7) - The German tire manufacturer Continental said here Wednesday it was prepared to continue discussions with Pirelli on a possible merger, but insisted that the Italian firm should refrain from any stock acquisitions for two years.

A continental spokesman said that if Pirelli was really interested in cooperating and was not seeking a hostile takeover, then it should accept the two-year moratorium condition.

His remarks followed on a statement in Milan by Pirelli that it was willing to refrain from adding to its equity stake in Continental during any negotiations but that the two-year moratorium was unacceptable.

Continental is the world's fourth-largest tire maker, and Pirelli fifth-biggest. The Italian firm says that together with various allies it effectively controls more than 50 percent of Continental's shares.

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#90311d2020 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 7) - Trade partners of the European Economic Community (EEC) served notice Wednesday that they will not easily swallow the EEC's proposed farm subsidy cuts reached after a month of hard bargaining here.

New Zealand was the first country Wednesday to reject the EEC offer. Deputy Foreign Affairs Minister Philip Burdon said it was "unacceptable" to the Cairns group of 13 major food exporting countries, of which it is a member.

In Tokyo, a spokesman for the Japanese Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) said Japan was "not optimistic" about an agricultural accord at a GATT conference next month. Tokyo's offer is similar to that of the EEC.

In Geneva on Tuesday, Brazilian Ambassador Rubens Ricupero told a GATT meeting that developed nations had shown little political will to make concessions on textiles and agriculture - critical exports of the third world.

Anticipating these criticisms, European Commission vice-president Frans Andriessen, the EEC's GATT negotiator, stressed Wednesday that agriculture was not the only subject of GATT, and that negotiations needed to be realistic.

And a spokesman for the Union of Industrial and Employers Federations of Europe warned: "Do you want to take from Europe more than it can give in farm matters, and risk sinking the Uruguay Round (of GATT talks)?"

The 12 EEC member countries agreed Tuesday on a 30 percent cut as its formal

offer on overall farm subsidies at a General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) conference here December 3-7.

The conference, involving over 100 countries, is due to decide on wide-ranging drops in barriers to free trade. It wraps up four years of negotiations under the Uruguay Round of GATT negotiations.

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#90311d2110 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 7) - Police and welfare officials on Wednesday emphatically denied a report in the Johannesburg Star that a 30-month-old boy had been chained to a kennel with a dog for the past two years.

And in an interview with the South African Press Association (SAPA) news agency, the boy's mother, who has not been named, also denied that the child had been made to sleep in a dog kennel.

A SAPA reporter visited her house, in the mining town of Springs east of here, where she pointed out a neat room with a bed where she said her son had slept.

The Star report said that the infant had been found in a kennel, could not walk upright and "can only crawl, bark and whimper".

The report, published alongside a picture of an attractive blond boy in a hospital bed where he is being treated, said his hands were curved like paws and his feet slightly turned in.

There were chafe marks on his neck, possibly caused by a dog collar, it added.

Medical sources quoted by the newspaper said the boy would not have survived had it not been for the dog and that the infant was showing signs of trauma at being separated from the animal.

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#90311d2220 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MBARARA, UGANDA (NOV. 7) - Thousands of refugees from Rwanda's Hutu tribe who fled here after civil war erupted last month refuse to be settled with Tutsis who have been in Uganda for 30 years, refugee officials say.

The Hutus fear "psychological torture" and persecution by the Tutsis, a relief worker who declined to be named said Tuesday.

Thousands of Tutsis poured into Uganda after tribal massacres in 1959, when the majority Hutus seized power from the minority Tutsis, Rwanda's traditional rulers, in the runup to independence in 1962.

Many Tutsis have lived in refugee camps near the Rwandan border for the past 30 years.

Another 13,000 Rwandans have fled to Uganda since Rwandan rebels invaded north-east Rwanda on October 1 to topple the government of President Juvenal Habyarimana, officials of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) said Tuesday. The number had previously been estimated at 14,000.

The rebels, mainly Tutsi refugees based in Uganda, said they were fighting for the right to be allowed back to their homeland, but ironically their invasion has created a new refugee problem.

A UNHCR official said plans to move the new refugees, currently crowded in makeshift camps along the Rwandan border, to the Nakivali refugee settlement, 35 kilometres (21 miles) east of here, had been postponed "for the time being."

The move had been scheduled for Wednesday.

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#90311d2230 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Eschborn (NOV. 7) - Consumption of light heating oil surged by 25 percent in western Germany in the first eight months of 1990, while motor vehicle fuel demand rose 3.7 percent, the Federal Office of Industry (Baw) said here Wednesday.

The Baw said that light heating oil turnover came to 21.7 million tons through August in what was a technical adjustment in the market. In 1989, after a tax on heating oil was imposed, light heating oil sales in West Germany fell by 10 million tons.

Meanwhile gasoline consumption rose by 3.7 percent in the first eight months of 1990 to 17.85 million tons, while diesel fuel turnover rose 5.7 per cent to 11.8 million tons, the Baw said.

Demand for heavy heating oil increased 4 per cent to 4.4 million tons.

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#90311d2330 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 7) - The rebel Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA) has seized a strategic garrison town in southwest Sudan's Bahr el Ghazal region, radio SPLA announced in a broadcast monitored here Wednesday.

The radio said that after heavy fighting with Sudanese government forces, SPLA guerrillas overrun the garrison town of Deim Zubeiri, 200 kilometres (125 miles) west of the region's capital, Wau.

Also overrun was the military outpost of Yagulo, close to Sudan's border with neighbouring Central African Republic, the rebel radio said.

The radio did not, however, specify the date of their capture.

This is the first major engagement reported between the SPLA and government forces since September 25, when the rebels claimed they killed 21 government troops and wounded more than 80 in a three-hour battle with a large convoy sent from Juba on August 4 to try to rescue the besieged garrison town of Yei.

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#90311d2380 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 7) - Rwandan rebel leader Fred Rwigyema was killed by his second-in-command Peter Bayingana, who was himself killed by rebels loyal to Major-General Rwigyema, sources close to the rebels said here Wednesday.

The account was confirmed by Western diplomats here.

The rebel sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Major Bayingana had opposed Maj.-Gen. Rwigyema's plan to stage a lightning strike on Kigali, the Rwandan capital.

Maj. Bayingana wanted to wage a slow guerrilla war to wear down the government of President Juvenal Habyarimana.

The row developed into a fight, and Maj. Bayingana killed the leader of the Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) on October 3, only two days after the rebels invaded north-east Rwanda from neighbouring Uganda, the sources said.

Maj. Bayingana and other rebel commanders then kept Maj.-Gen. Rwigyema's death a secret. It was not announced by the rebels until after Maj. Bayingana himself was killed on October 22 or 23.

The RPF has repeatedly denied reports that Maj.-Gen. Rwigyema was killed by fellow rebels, saying he died in a mine blast near the border post of Kagitumba, where the rebels launched their invasion.

But the Rwandan army said no mines were planted near Kagitumba.

The rebels announced that Maj. Bayingana died in combat, but the sources said he and Major Chris Bunyenyezi, another top rebel commander, were killed by rebels who opposed their leadership and were angered by the death of Maj.-Gen. Rwigyema.

"We gave out the story that they had died in battle because we didn't want to undermine morale or publicise our internal problems," said a source close to the rebels.

"But we hope the lesson has been learnt. They shouldn't have started arguing before we had even achieved our goal. They should have settled it after we toppled Habyarimana," the source said, adding that the rebels were now united under their new leader Major Paul Kagame.

The RPF is led by Rwandan exiles based in Uganda.

Most of its fighters are Ugandan army deserters of the Tutsi tribe whose families fled Rwanda amid horrific tribal massacres in the late 1950s, when the majority Hutus seized power from the minority Tutsis, Rwanda's traditional rulers, in the runup to independence in 1962.

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#90311d2520 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (NOV. 7) - Higher fuel prices and a coming insurance surcharge in the wake of the Gulf crisis have wiped out Pakistan International Airlines's (PIA) profit for 1990-91, airline sources said here Wednesday.

The loss of the projected 820 million rupee (37 million dollar) profit might force another rise in air fares and cargo charges, the sources said.

The International Air Transport Association recently recommended a four to eight per cent increase in passenger fares and seven per cent in cargo costs to offset the rise in fuel prices, which have nearly doubled since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait in August.

A final decision about any fare increase by PIA would be taken by the government, the sources said.

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#90311d2770 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CARACAS (NOV. 7) - An Indonesian diplomat was found strangled in his Caracas apartment on Wednesday, police in the Venezuelan capital said.

The victim was identified as Eppino Saleh, 57, assistant attache at the embassy's cultural and information department.

Police said Saleh's body was found by neighbors who were alerted by the embassy after the diplomat failed to turn up for work this week.

A police spokesman said Saleh had probably been killed on Monday. There was no immediate clue as to a motive or the identity of the killer or killers.

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#90311d2860 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (NOV. 7) - An outbreak of a "mysterious" disease, suspected to be yellow fever, has killed 45 persons in one month in Nigeria's north-eastern Gongola state, near Cameroon, the official newspaper said Wednesday.

The official 'New Nigerian' quoted head of the health ministry in the state, Dr. Zainab Abubakar.

But according to an investigation by the newspaper, more than 100 must have died as a result of the disease as many cases were not officially reported to the health authorities.

Victims of the disease vomited and excreted thick black blood, and died after two or three days, the report said.

Following the outbreak, which was first officially reported last October 20, the government vaccinated more than 42,000 persons and established nine treatment centres within the state, Dr. Abubakar stated.

Of the 20,000 diarrhoea cases tretaed in the state between last July and September, 34 children have so far died, he also said.

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#90311d2980 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (NOV. 7) - An interim government led by Liberian academic Amos Sawyer will next week be inaugurated in Monrovia, the chief of staff of West African peacekeeping troops despatched there said Wednesday.

Brigadier Cyrili Iweze, in Lagos to brief the Nigerian military government, added that Prince Johnson's rebels were cooperating with the troops, while many men commanded by rival rebel leader Charles Taylor were defecting.

The brigadier is chief of staff of a five-nation force sent into Liberia by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) in August, eight months after Mr. Taylor launched his bid to oust the late president Samuel Doe.

Earlier Wednesday, African diplomats and informed sources in Freetown said that Monrovia's small James Spriggs Payne airport had re-opened, adding that the interim government would be flown into Liberia shortly.

The Sawyer government was formed at a conference of Liberian politicians, religious leaders and exiles under ECOWAS auspices. Mr. Taylor, however, has declared himself president of Liberia.

Brig. Iweze told a press conference here that peace was gradually being restored to Liberia. Mr. Taylor's men had violently opposed intervention by the ECOWAS troops while the rebel leader stalled on accepting an ECOWAS

ceasefire agreement, asking for clarification.

Libyan marks and labels were found on weapons seized from Mr. Taylor's rebels, the brigadier said, without giving further details.

Earlier Wednesday, Brig. Iweze met here with President Ibrahim Babangida and heads of the nation's military and security agencies.

Asked about casualties among the ECOWAS troops, he said the figure was still "acceptable" in military terms, totalling around two per cent of the entire force.

The intervention force is made up of about 7,000 troops drawn from Nigeria, Ghana, Guinea, Sierra Leone and Gambia.

In a message Sierra Leone officials have said they are not taking lightly, Mr. Taylor has threatened to "destroy" the Freetown international airport if ECOWAS aircraft posted there continue to bomb his positions.

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#90311d2990 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 7) - Supporters of a slain Jewish militant leader Wednesday attacked a bus carrying Arab workers after an emotional funeral ceremony in Jerusalem for Rabbi Meir Kahane, Israeli sources said.

It was not immediately known if there were any casualties or how the Arabs were attacked.

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#90311d3390 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Cairo (NOV. 7) - Foreign ministers of Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia will have talks in Damascus Friday on the latest efforts for a peaceful settlement of the Gulf crisis.

Mena news agency reported Wednesday that the ministers would discuss the outcome of tours to the region by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen.

The three foreign ministers already met October 31 in Jedda in Saudi Arabia.

Egypt and Syria have sent troops to join a U.S.-led multinational task force in Saudi Arabia deployed to fend off a possible attack by Iraq following Baghdad's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90311d3460 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 7) - The Belgian Red Cross said Wednesday it has counted 13,492 displaced people in Rwanda following a rebel invasion of the north of the country from Uganda on October 1.

The organisation said it had counted 9,000 new displaced persons to add to a figure of 4,492 compiled on November 4. The figures do not include people who have fled to neighbouring countries such as Uganda.

The Belgian Red Cross said it was supplying the people in Rwanda with food, medicines and blankets bought with funds from the European Economic Community (717,000 dollars) and the Belgian government (815,000 dollars).

The organisation sent two aid missions to the troubled little African country on Wednesday, one to the northeast and the other to the northwest.

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#90311d3500 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 7) - Aluminium dipped Wednesday, as heavy selling continued following the sharp increase in stocks announced Tuesday, but the market steadied out at near unchanged levels in late after-hours dealing.

Three month metal dropped as low as 1580 dollars per tonne in morning deals before recovering to quote at 1,626 dollars per ton in after hours kerb deals, six dollars up from Tuesday.

There were suggestions among operators that one particular aluminium producer and trader was responsible for heavy selling earlier in the week.

Lead was higher, the three month price of 370 pounds at the unofficial close was up 4 dollars on Tuesday's close, and prices of 376 pounds per ton were quoted in after hours kerb trading.

Dealers said modest gains were due to increased trade interest.

The price of 3 month tin fell from 6235 dollars at the close Tuesday to 6120 at the close of unofficial trading Wednesday.

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#90311d3540 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MARSEILLES, FRANCE (NOV 7) - A frenchman held hostage for three months in Baghdad filed charges here against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein alleging ''wrongful deprivation of personal liberty and arbitrary refusal of permission to leave Iraqi territory''.

However public prosecutors said they would be unable to pursue the charges

presented to police by a 50-year-old technician who was recently allowed to leave Iraq along with other French hostages.

The man will have to take his complaint to the International Court of Justice at The Hague, officials said.

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#90311d3630 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (NOV 7) - Police on Wednesday detained seven suspects in the strangling of Eleanor Thomson, a retired U.S. journalist who formerly worked for Agence France-Presse, the news agency Anatolia reported.

The seven were detained in Selimiye, near the Mediterranean resort of Antalya, where Ms. Thomson was murdered with a bowstring on Sunday night, Anatolia said.

Referring to her will, notarized in 1989 at Manavgat, near Selimiye, local officials quoted by Anatolie said a dispute over inheritances will could have been at the root of the crime. Burglary was also mentioned as a possible cause.

Ms. Thomson, 75, had divided her will between her Turkish and foreign friends.

Manavgat prosecutor Selamettin Celep said Ms. Thomson was last seen late Sunday after returning from a local restaurant. Friends found her body and notified the police late Monday.

Ms. Thomson had no relatives in Turkey but had frequent visitors during the holidays, according to Mr. Celep.

A lawyer in Antalya contacted by telephone from Ankara said that Ms. Thomson had no enemies and had led a quiet life at Selimiye, where she was working on a book on the area.

American consular officials have requested that an autopsy be carried out.

A native of California, Ms. Thomson was an AFP correspondent in Asia in the 1960s, and also worked in Paris as a desk editor.

Local officials indicated that her Agence France-Presse press card dating from 1970 was found when her home was searched, according to Anatolia.

Ms. Thomson had lived in Turkey since 1966 and had asked to be buried in Selimiye.

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#90311d3640 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 7) - The European Economic Community (EEC) has agreed on

measures to protect community farmers against a surge of farm products from former East Germany, a diplomatic source said here Wednesday.

And the European Commission, the executive arm of the EEC, announced new steps to help beef farmers who had been hurt not only by cheap imports from eastern Germany, but by lower exports to the Gulf and cattle disease.

The announcements of the higher subsidies followed the EEC's agreement Tuesday on proposals to lower farm subsidies for an important conference of the General Agreement of Tariffs and Trade (GATT) next month.

The diplomatic source said EEC farm ministers agreed to lower the commission's proposed sugar quotas for farmers of the former communist country.

The integration of East German agriculture into the EEC since German reunification last month will cost the community an estimated 1.75 billion dollars in farm support next year.

The ministers also agreed to raise the amount of beef, milk powder and butter the EEC can buy to maintain the earnings of farmers when market prices are falling.

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#90311d3700 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (NOV. 7) - Senior officials from Australia and the Soviet Union arrived here late Wednesday for talks aimed at restarting an international peace conference on Cambodia.

"There is at least another six weeks or two months of work before the final resolution," Australian Deputy Foreign Affairs Secretary Michael Costello said upon his arrival.

Mr. Costello and officials from at least 12 other nations are expected here for the first senior official meeting towards the resumption of the Paris International Conference on Cambodia (PICC), expected next month.

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Igor Rogachev, arriving earlier, said the "PICC should be reconvened before the end of this year" despite squabbling within the Cambodian Supreme National Council (SNC) over its leadership.

Mr. Costello arrived from Bangkok after visits to Phnom Penh, Hanoi, and Beijing to sound out opinion ahead of the Jakarta talks.

The talks are due to start Friday to draft an overall peace plan and pave the way for restarting the PICC, which broke down in August 1989 over the question of power sharing.

Also expected to take part in the meeting are officials from the United States France, Britain, China, Canada, Japan, India, Malaysia, Laos and host Indonesia as well as a representative of the United Nations secretary general.

"My understanding is that there's a considerable reservation to reconvene the PICC ... unless the members of the SNC can resolve their problems," Mr. Costello said.

The SNC, comprising representatives of the four warring Cambodian factions, was set up in September as part of a U.N. brokered peace plan with the purpose of representing Cambodian sovereignty.

Officials said results of the meeting here would be presented to the SNC ahead of a second meeting in Paris later this month which would also decide if and when the PICC could be resumed to endorse and sign the peace plan.

The Chinese chief delegate, Assistant Foreign Minister Xu Dunxin, said on his arrival earlier Wednesday that despite the squabbling in the SNC "we think the prospect for settlement is bright."

Mr. Xu said however that the SNC should elect its chairman so that it could function properly.

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#90311d4050 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (NOV. 7) - King Hussein returned here Wednesday from a European tour which centered around talks on the Gulf crisis with French President Francois Mitterrand and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, official sources said.

After meeting with Mr. Mitterrand on Monday in Paris, King Hussein travelled to Geneva for talks with Mrs. Thatcher and French Prime Minister Michel Rocard on the sidelines of the Second World Conference on the Environment.

In a declaration made to the news agency Petra upon his arrival in Amman, King Hussein said that he was "very hopeful efforts will be directed towards a peaceful solution of the Gulf crisis so as to avoid a catastrophe whose effects will not be limited to this region."

On Tuesday in Geneva, he had said that a "war in the Gulf would provoke an ecological catastrophe of a sort the world has not known since the accident at the Chernobyl nuclear reactor."

He described his talks with Mr. Mitterrand as "frank and cordial," and expressed satisfaction with his visit to Paris.

King Hussein was accompanied on his tour by Foreign Minister Marwan al-Kassem, official sources said.

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#90311d4060 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PIETERMARITZBURG, South Africa (NOV. 7) - The respected English-language daily the Natal Witness, founded in 1846, is to carry an editorial comment in Zulu in its Thursday edition, the paper said Wednesday.

Promising a leader in Zulu at least once a week, the paper told its 25,000 readers the new South Africa had already arrived in the Natal capital Pietermaritzburg, once "visibly white" and now "the home of everyman."

Zulu is the mother tongue to seven million people, including 20 per cent of Natalians, and many others, including whites, use it as a lingua franca, the paper said, adding that the Zulu editorial could promote the language among those who did not speak it.

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#90311d4070 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV 7) - Several dozen printers of the British Maxwell publishing group staged a sit-in lasting several hours Wednesday at the company's main printing works here to press for wage increases.

Management said the printers ended their protest at the Ozoir-la-Ferriere plant in eastern Paris on Wednesday afternoon. Negotiations were scheduled for Thursday.

The printers have obtained a 300 franc (60 dollar) rise, but wanted a further 650 francs more per month.

They fear that Maxwell might follow other French and British publishers who have stopped printing at the plant.

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#90311d4170 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABIDJAN (NOV 7) - Ivory Coast President Felix Houphouet-Boigny was re-elected in the West African country's first multi-party elections October 28 with 81.68 percent of the votes, according to official results released by the Supreme Court here Wednesday.

The 85-year-old head of state won his seventh five-year mandate with 2,445,365 votes against 548,441 for his first ever challenger, professor Laurent Gbagbo, 45, leader of the opposition Ivorian Popular Front (FPI).

A total of 4,408,810 voters had registered for the polls against 3,512,882 in 1985. Some 30.84 percent of those registered failed to turn out to vote.

In 1985, Mr. Houphouet-Boigny, the only candidate representing his ruling Democatic Party (PDCI), was elected with 100 percent of the votes cast.

The president's party has been in power since independence from France in 1960.

Mr. Gbagbo's party has accused the PDCI of rigging the elections and committing "countless irregularities." On Friday, party leaders submitted a request to the Supreme Court to cancel the election results.

Mr. Houphouet-Boigny, Africa's most senior head of state, said last month that his seventh term in office would be his "last." Sources close to the government suggest that he will retire within a year's time.

On Tuesday, parliament amended Article 11 of the constitution to enable the parliament speaker to become president and complete the current mandate with full powers in case the head of state dies, resigns or is unable to fulfil his functions.

With the amendment, the heir apparent would be Henri Konan Bedie, 56, who ohas served as parliament speaker since 1980.

Ivory Coast voters are to go to the polls again for legislative elections November 25, and then December 16 for municipal polls.

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#90311d4190 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV 7) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,324.00 (1,322.00) 1,319.50 (1,317.00)
Lead 369.50 (365.50) 375.25 (371.25)
Zinc Sh 1,269.00 (1,262.50) 1,273.50 (1,266.50)
Tin 6,110.00 (6,230.00) 6,135.00 (6,212.50)
Aluminium 1,592.50 (1,603.50) 1,614.50 (1,619.50)
Nickel 8,900.00 (8,900.00) 8,487.50 (8,462.50)

(the last three in dollars per ton)

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#90311d4410 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV 7) - The U.N. Security Council committee supervising the embargo against Iraq has approved the delivery of Kuwaiti crude oil and petroleum products being held in Yemen, the committee's chairwoman, Finnish

Ambassador Marjatta Rasi, said Wednesday.

The oil is earmarked for Mauritius, Zimbabwe, Tanzania, Seychelles and the Comoro Islands.

Kuwait had shipped the oil to the Yemeni port city of Aden for refining before it was invaded by Iraq on August 2. Although Yemen abstained during the U.N. vote establishing the embargo, it cited the trade boycott in refusing to release the oil.

According to committee sources, Yemen still refuses to permit the oil's export calling into question the stated amount of 200,000 tonnes. The Kuwaitis claim to have documents confirming the amount.

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#90311d4510 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV 7) - U.N. Human Rights Commission special envoy Sadako Ogata, in Burma to prepare a report on human rights, spent Wednesday on two government-organized tours, the official Rangoon Radio reported.

The radio, in a dispatch monitored here, said Mrs. Ogata visited three new satellite towns on the outskirts of Rangoon -- Dagon, Shwe Pyi Tha and Hlaing Thaya -- where she studied civil development projects.

The report said Civil and Regional Department Director General Aung Phone and senior Construction Ministry officials explained their projects and developments to the envoy.

Mrs. Ogata also took a sightseeing tour around the Burmese capital.

The radio said both trips were arranged by the State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC), the official name of the ruling military government, which seized power in a September 1988 coup to crush a nationwide pro-democracy movement.

Last February the U.N. Human Rights Commission severely criticised the Burmese junta for their human rights records.

Mrs. Ogata arrived in the Burmese capital on Saturday for a week-long visit, and is expected to prepare a report on human rights in the country.

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#90311d4840 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (NOV 7) - A U.S. soldier was killed in Saudi Arabia on Wednesday while attempting to free a truck which had become stuck in the sand, the U.S. Army announced here.

The army said in a statement that the 1st Cavalry Division trooper, who was not identified, was fatally injured in an accident which occurred while he was trying to free the two-and-a-half-ton truck from the sand.

The exact circumstances of the accident were not immediately available.

The soldier is the 44th U.S. serviceman killed in incidents related to the deployment of U.S. troops in the Gulf following the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Thirteen U.S. airmen died in then-West Germany on August 28 while taking off on a flight to Saudi Arabia and 10 U.S. sailors were killed on October 30 in a steam leak aboard the USS Iwo Jima off Bahrain.

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#90311d5140 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) - President George Bush will meet with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in Paris on the sidelines of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) on November 19-21, the White House said Wednesday.

Secretary of State James Baker, who was in Moscow Wednesday, was expected to set the date for the summit between the two heads of state whose discussions will likely focus on the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Bush will be in Paris November 18-21 and will hold a series of bilateral talks as well as dine with French President Francois Mitterrand on the evening of his arrival, spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said.

Mr. Bush has prior visits scheduled to Czechoslovakia on November 17, the first visit by an American president for the one year anniversary of the "velvet revolution."

He will meet with Czechoslovakian President Vaclav Havel and leaders of the the Czech and Slovak republics and will express strong support for the democratic revolutions in Eastern Europe, Mr. Fitzwater said.

The U.S. leader is also expected to give a major policy speech in Prague about the status of U.S.-European relations, the spokesman added.

Mr. Bush goes on to Germany the following day for several hours during which time he will meet with Chancellor Helmut Kohl in the town of Ludwigshafen near the Swiss border, Mr. Fitzwater added.

At the CSCE summit, Mr. Bush is expected to sign a conventional arms-reduction treaty on the 19th, as well as the summit's final statement on November 21, Mr. Fitzwater added.

Following his tour of Europe, Mr. Bush will go on to Egypt and Saudi Arabia, where he is expected to spend the U.S. Thanksgiving Day holiday with some of the 230,000 U.S. troops stationed there.

Also in Saudi Arabia, Mr. Bush will meet with Saudi King Fahd and the exiled emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah.

Mr. Fitzwater refused to give further details of Mr. Bush's visit to the Middle East, citing security concerns.

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#90311d5380 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV 8) - South Africa's ruling National Party crushed its rightwing opposition Wednesday in a key by-election that was seen as a test for President Frederik de Klerk's reform policy.

Np candidate Marthinus van Schalkwyk polled 10,882 votes against the 1,967 won by Leonie Steele, the white supremacist candidate fielded by the Conservative Party (Cp) in the northern Transvaal province town of Randburg, northwest of Johannesburg.

The Cp had predicted a massive swing to the right by Randburg voters in protest against de Klerk's programme of racial reforms.

Observers said the result in Randburg, traditionally a white-collar constituency, could not be seen as a test of Cp backing. The rightists have drawn their support mainly from blue-collar worker areas.

The Randburg seat became vacant when the liberal Democratic Party (Dp) member of parliament resigned and left politics. The Dp decided against contesting the seat and encouraged its supporters to vote for the Np.

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#90311d5670 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 7) - The U.S. Air Force has ordered thousands of new high-tech gas masks -- costing more than 6,225 dollars apiece -- to protect its jet fighter pilots against Iraqi chemical weapons, Aviation Week and Space Technology reported.

The masks, made by Boeing, have superior ventilation and pressure than older models and are condensation resistant, the trade magazine said in this week's edition.

Pilots can still drink and use their radios and night-vision goggles while wearing the masks.

The Air Force is to spend some 33 million dollars for the 5,300 masks which pilots will receive over a 17-month period beginning in January, Aviation Week said.

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#90311d5780 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLD LAKE, Canada (NOV 7) - A U.S. cruise missile test was aborted after the missile had been launched above the Beaufort Sea Wednesday, a spokesman for the Cold Lake Canadian military base said.

The abort was ordered because of a fault in the missile's guidance system, said base spokesman Luigi Rossetto.

He added that the defect became apparent when an aircraft responsible for following the test lost contact with the missile which had been fired from a B-52 bomber.

The object of the test was to try out the missile's guidance system.

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#90311d5870 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA, (NOV 8) - Iraqi Information Minister Latif Nassif Jassem voiced his "contempt" and "pity" for British Minister Margaret Thatcher who Wednesday warned Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that he would be forced out of Kuwait.

Speaking in parliament she said, "time is running out for him. The implacable message from this House must be either he gets out of Kuwait soon or we and our allies will remove him by force. He has been warned."

She also said that "Iraq's chemical, biological and nuclear capability must be eliminated so that it can never again threaten world peace."

In a violent attack on the British leader, Mr. Jassem described Mrs. Thatcher as "old witch" and as "mentally, psychologically and physcially unbalanced."

"We treat Thatcher's statements with contempt and we pity her," Mr. Jassem said. "Sounding the bugle will not help reverse her falling popularity in Britain," he added.

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#90311d5920 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA, (NOV 7) - An influential United States senator Wednesday night bluntly dismissed the European Economic Community's offer to to cut farm subsidies by 30 per cent and said the EEC and Japan must do more to open their

markets to U.S. farmers.

Senator Lloyd Bentsen, a Texas democrat and chairman of the U.S. Senate Finance committee, told a dinner audience the hard-fought compromise Uruguay Round platform for farm trade bargaining agreed by EEC ministers Tuesday night was "unacceptable."

"I think the EEC believes (its proposal) is the end of the road," he said. "It's a start, not the end... They have to do more to open their markets."

"What we see now tabled is a step back" compared with the original proposal by EEC agriculture commissioner Ray MacSharry, Sen. Bentsen added.

With "political will", he asserted, the EEC could "eliminate" its exports subsidies -- which he said would total 12 billion dollars this year against 280 million spent by the United States -- and Japan could wipe out its rice import restrictions.

The United States, he said, was itself reducing farm support by 13 billion dollars under the just-concluded budget deal struck by the Bush administration and Congress.

Sen. Bentsen, the democratic nominee for vice president in the 1988 U.S. elections, joined the U.S. delegation to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) in Geneva this week with three other U.S. senators.

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#90311d6320 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (NOV. 8) - New Zealand posted a record balance of payments deficit in the year to June of 4.27 billion New Zealand dollars (2.63 billion U.S.), the government said Thursday.

The annual deficit surpassed the previous record of 4.19 billion dollars (2.57 billion U.S.) in the year to March 1986, government statistician Steve Kuzmicich said.

The provisional current account for the June quarter was in deficit by 643 million dollars (395 million U.S.), compared with 540 million dollars (332 million U.S.) in the same period a year ago.

Contributing to the latest June quarter deficit was a deficit in invisibles of 1.48 billion dollars (912 million U.S.), which more than offset a merchandise trade surplus of 841 million dollars (517 million dollars).

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#90311d6330 11/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 8) - Domestic shipments of personal computers totaled 1.292 million units in the April-September period, up 15 percent from the same half year in 1989, an industry association said Thursday.

Officials of the Japan Electronic Industry Development Association attributed the rise to a 73 percent increase in shipments of 32-bit computers, accounting for a third of the total.

Shipments of the book-size laptop computers increased 2.3 times to 398,000 units, accounting for 41 percent of the total, they said.

The shipments, including printers and peripherals, were worth 620.6 billion yen (4.8 billion dollars), up 24 percent over the same period last year.

Shipments of personal computers would likely top two million units in fiscal 1990 ending next March, the association official said.

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#90311e0018 11/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Guatemala City (NOV. 7) EFE - The Guatemalan Supreme Electoral Tribunal (TSE) Wednesday denied reports that this weekend's presidential elections were to be postponed because of complaints of irregularities presented by banned hopeful Efrain Rios Montt.

TSE spokesman Manuel Ruano Mejia told EFE that the vote would go ahead.

"There is no danger that the elections will be put back, everything is ready and the polling will without a doubt be held next Sunday," said Ruano.

It had been rumoured that the TSE had agreed to postpone the presidential vote after the supporters of Rios Montt, a rightist and former general, complained of irregularities in registering candidates.

The TSE has admitted that it is studying their complaint that candidates were not registered correctly.

Rios Montt was banned from running in the elections under a constitutional clause which bars the leaders of coups from holding public office.

The retired general, who had topped opinion polls, came to power in a 1982 coup. His brief stay in power was marked by bloody anti-insurgency operations during which thousands of people were killed.

At least 23 people, including politicians and journalists, have been killed in the runup to the elections. The polls are to be monitored by teams of international observers.

Rios Montt has urged voters to write his name on ballot slips when they vote Sunday and has repeatedly warned that violence could break out as a result of his being banned.

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#90311e0019 11/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

DAMASCUS (NOV. 7) EFE - A Damascus newspaper which speaks for the military said Wednesday that London should reestablish diplomatic ties with Syria and lift economic sanctions if it wants the release of three British hostages in Lebanon.

"If the British goverment was concerned about the fate of its citizens, it would reestablish relations with Syria, which would help free the hostages in Lebanon," said an editorial in the Damascus daily Tishrin.

Britain broke off relations with Syria in 1986, after accusing Damascus diplomats of collaborating with a Jordanian who tried to plant a bomb on an Israeli airliner at London's Heathrow airport.

Later London went on to pressure the European Community into approving limited diplomatic and economic sanctions against the Damascus government.

"Other Western nations have improved their relations with Syria, but Mrs. Thatcher has gone the other direction and recently asked the EC to maintain the economic embargo against Syria, which makes her to blame for the captivity of the British hostages in Lebanon," the paper said.

"The policy of Great Britain has been characterized by intransigence and confrontation, which is not what the British people want and further complicates the solution to this problem," the paper added.

A peace accord Monday between Lebanon's rival Shiite Moslem factions, the pro-Iranian Hezbollah (Party of God) and the Syrian-backed Amal (Hope), had raised hopes that 12 Western hostages would soon be freed.

The three Britons held captive in Lebanon include Anglican church envoy Terry Waite, journalist John McCarthy, and pilot Jack Mann. Six Americans, two Germans and an Italian are also held hostage.

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#90311e0039 11/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (NOV. 7) EFE - Share prices on the Madrid stock exchange fell Wednesday with the general index dropping 1.01 to close at 228.53.

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#90311e0042 11/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

London (NOV. 7) EFE - Iraqi warplanes are superior in air combat to U.S. F-16 fighter planes according to a test carried out by the German Luftwaffe, an authoritative British weekly magazine on defense affairs reported Wednesday.

Jane's Defence Weekly, quoting an anonymous Luftwaffe source, said the Soviet-built MiG-29 managed "to kill" the F-16 from a distance of 60 km in the aerial dogfight test.

Iraq has 30 Soviet MiG-29 warplanes which it could use if war broke out between Baghad and a U.S.-spearheaded multinational force massed in the Gulf following Iraq's August 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

The Soviet Union was Iraq's largest weapons supplier before the Gulf crisis.

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#90311e0046 11/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

FREETOWN (NOV. 7) EFE - Liberian rebel leader Prince Johnson has said he will not allow seven members of President Amos Sawyer's provisional government to return to Monrovia, a spokesman for that government said Wednesday.

Johnson said the arrival of the seven provisional government members could create "difficulties", without specifying what those might be.

Sawyer's provisional government was formed in August in the Gambian capital of Banjul, under the auspices of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), and is currently based in the Sierra Leone capital of Freetown.

Five member nations of the 16-country ECOWAS sent a 5,000-strong troop force into Liberia this summer to try to end the bloody civil war which has brought the country to its knees.

Johnson fought alongside National Patriotic Front leader Charles Taylor at the beginning of his uprising against late president Samuel Doe almost a year ago, but split earlier this summer when the rebel forces neared Monrovia.

Since then, Johnson's forces have controlled large parts of the capital, as well as capturing Doe and murdering him.

Meanwhile Taylor has declared himself president, created an interim assembly, and called elections.

But Johnson has sided with the ECOWAS forces to defeat Taylor, who is still in control of large parts of the country.

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#90311e0050 11/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 7) EFE - Soviet envoy and presidential adviser on the Gulf crisis, Yevgeny Primakov, Wednesday said he was still optimistic on reaching a political solution to the conflict after his meeting 10 days ago with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Primakov, who has met twice with Saddam in Baghdad since Iraq invaded Kuwait in August, told a press conference that there was a "big difference" between the first meeting in early October and the last one.

He said Saddam was very rhetorical in the first meeting over the Iraqi presence in Kuwait, but in the second he "did not mention" that Kuwait was once part of Iraq. That fact has been Saddam's main rationale for the invasion.

"We now have to use all means at our disposal" to find a peaceful solution to the crisis, Primakov said, and reiterated that the Soviet Union wants a total withdraw of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

"We will be facing a new situation" if that does not happen, he said.

He said the international media was wrong when it reported during President Mikhail Gorbachev's visit to Paris last week that the Soviet leader said a military solution was +unacceptable+.

Primakov said he clearly told Saddam that if he did not withdraw his troops he would face a military attack.

Saddam "hinted that he was prepared to do something. I am still optimistic," Primakov said, and then asked reporters to not press him for further details so as not to risk the success of his mission.

Primakov said Gorbachev had ordered him to insist that Saddam release all remaining foreign hostages in Iraq and Kuwait, and added that the recent trickle of hostages leaving Baghdad was a result of those talks, which has added to his feeling of optimism.

He said he was satisfied that Soviet citizens still in Iraq will be able to leave when they want, and that Soviet military advisers can leave without conditions when they complete their contracts.

The Soviet Union, one of the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council, has backed opposition to the invasion, but has also spoken up in favor of a negotiated settlement to the dispute.

Oservers believe that if the military option is decided upon, it is doubtful that the Soviet Union will send troops to join a possible U.S.-led attack force.

He said the Kremlin's experience in Afghanistan was discouraging it from sending troops to join the multinational force in the Gulf deployed against Iraq.

In an interview with a Saudi newspaper published Wednesday, Primakov said, "It is not easy (to send troops) given that we have to think hard about the experience we, the Soviets, had in Afghanistan."

Soviet troops invaded Afghanistan in 1979 to prop up a communist government threatened by Moslem guerrillas. At least 15,000 soldiers died before Moscow withdrew last year.

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#90311e0052 11/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MEXICO CITY (NOV. 7) EFE - The Mexican government is to receive a dlrs three billion windfall this year thanks to skyrocketing oil prices, according to an Energy, Mines and Federal Industry Ministry (SEMIP) report released Wednesday.

The report said the government had calculated its oil earnings for 1990 at dlrs 5.8 billion, but given the rise in oil prices after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, Mexico would make dlrs 8.89 billion this year.

Production by Mexico's state-owned oil company PEMEX is nearly 2.5 million barrels a day, and officials had calculated profits on dlrs 13 per barrel.

The SEMIP report added that export earnings would rise even while the volume of crude sold abroad was on the decrease.

During 1990, Mexico is to export a total of 485 million barrels of oil, 3.3 percent less than 1989 when PEMEX exported a total of 495 million barrels.

The government takes around 50 percent of PEMEX profits in taxes.

A Treasury Ministry spokesman said that part of the windfall would be used "to heal the public sector's finances".

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#90311e0054 11/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) EFE - The U.S. Commerce Department Wednesday described as "unacceptable" the European Community's offer to reduce farm subsidies within the framework of international GATT trade liberalizing talks.

The United States hopes the EC will reconsider its offer to cut grants to its farmers by 30 percent over 10 years, the Commerce Department press office said.

The cuts fall far short of the 90 percent reduction called for by the Cairns

Group of 14 agriculture-exporting countries and the United States.

The offer was made as part of the four-year-long Uruguay Round of talks aimed at reducing international trade barriers under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) which is due to be completed in December.

But observers point out that the whole Uruguay Round could end in failure over the farm issue which threatens to scuttle talks involving more than 100 countries in some 15 sectors, ranging from agriculture to computer software and financial services.

After weeks of wrangling between the member states and the EC's failure to present any proposal at all to the Uruguay Round by the original October deadline, the EC Council of Ministers managed Tuesday to agree on the 30 percent cuts.

The reductions will affect subsidies to producers of a range of products including cereals, rice, vegetable oils, animal derivatives, wine, fruit and tobacco.

The United States has said that bigger cuts should be made by industrialized nations to encourage the liberalization of world trade and to encourage developing countries to increase their exports.

Carla Hills, the U.S. trade representative at GATT in Geneva Monday urged the EC member states to pay attention to the needs of the members of the Cairns Group -- which includes Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia and Uruguay -- and the farming nations of Asia and Africa.

Of the EC member states, France and Germany were initially the most determined not to accept cuts to their farmers' subsidies.

With the unification of East and West Germany, the conservative government in Bonn has acquired thousands of impoverished farmers in what was formerly communist-run East Germany.

Observers said Latin American Cairn Group members see the attitude of the EC -- and Germany, in particular -- as confirmation of their worst fears that the EC's focus on the developing world will in the future be confined to Eastern Europe.

Argentina last week threatened to pull out of the Uruguay Round altogether over the farm issue.

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#90311e0055 11/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

QUITO (NOV. 7) EFE - The Ecuadorean Defense Ministry promised Wednesday that

it would punish "with all the rigor of the law" the three soldiers who allegedly kidnapped and raped a British tourist in October.

"This deed, which we do not hesitate to condemn, is the exclusive responsibility of the infrastructure and does not compromise the prestige of the Armed Forces," a ministry statement said.

Lorna Ashby, 23, was snatched from a tourist zone in the capital on October 10 by the three soldiers and taken to the outskirts of the city where she was raped by one of the men.

On their arrest, two of the soldiers, Cpl. Nereo Astudillo and Pvt. Carlos Fuentes Montalvo, told a civil judge the woman had been raped by Pvt. Washington Tabango Moreno, who had allegedly wanted to demonstrate to them that he was the "most macho".

Tabango has refused to answer the judge's questions.

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#90311e0056 11/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PRAGUE (NOV. 7) EFE - Saudi Arabia has officially asked Czechoslovakia to send a specialist anti-chemical warfare unit to join multinational forces deployed in its territory, a Defense Ministry official said Wednesday.

Gen. Jiri Jindra, who recently returned from the Middle East where he headed an 18-member government team, said a unit would be sent to the Gulf once the Czechoslovak and Saudi governments had signed an accord agreeing to the move.

Jindra said the unit of nearly 200 men aimed to provide humanitarian and anti-chemical rearguard aid to the Saudi population in the event of a chemical attack.

Iraq has massive stockpiles of nerve and mustard gas which were used during its eight-year war with Iran and against the Kurdish minority in its own country in 1988.

Baghdad has made veiled threats to use the weapons if the U.S. launches an attack.

Jindra said only U.S. military transport planes could take the unit to the Gulf where the Saudi government will cover their expenses.

The delegation accompanying Jindra to the Middle East was made up of specialists from the foreign and defense ministries and officials from the anti-chemical warfare unit.

Multinational forces have been deployed in the Gulf following Iraq's August

invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

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#90311e0062 11/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
PANAMA CITY (NOV. 7) EFE - Panamanian Attorney General Rogelio Cruz said Wednesday conditions were ripe for a coup to topple U.S.-backed President Guillermo Endara despite the presence of thousands of U.S. troops in the country.

Cruz told a press conference that Panama is going through the same situation which prompted officers of the National Guard to topple former president Arnulfo Arias Madrid in October 1968.

Just 11 days after Arias took office, Col. Omar Torrijos Herrera led the coup against the president, who Torrijos accused of planning to set up a dictatorship.

Cruz said that while the U.S. troops may be a dissuasive factor for the predicted coup, "before 1968 it was said that a coup would be impossible because the Americans were in Panama' but there was one and the military regime "lasted 21 years".

The United States invaded Panama last December to oust military strongman Manuel Antonio Noreiga and bring him to trial in Florida on drug-trafficking charges.

The attorney general said "foreigners may be behind" recent rumors of a destabilization plot, but he gave no further details of that claim.

The former chief of Panama's revamped police force, Eduardo Herrera, was two weeks ago taken into custody for questioning on the alleged plot.

Herrera said the allegations were groundless.

A week before Herrera was detained, four police officers were arrested in connection with the plot, which Endara has described as "ridiculous, infantile simple-minded and crazy".

The alleged plot is rumored to be linked to a series of bomb attacks in Chiriqui province, close to the Costa Rican border, in August and September.

Cruz said militarist sentiments +still persist+ and added that their backers "are trying to erect a powerful political base".

Endara's popularity has suffered amid recent scandals and reports of his connection with a bank suspected of laundering drug profits.

A Gallup poll published over a week ago predicted that he would win only 13 percent of the vote if elections were called.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 10 to 24 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.82	9.84	9.65	9.66	9.90
May	9.79	9.81	9.66	9.67	9.86
Jly	9.81	9.81	9.65	9.68	9.84
Oct	9.79	9.80	9.66	9.68	9.85
Mar	9.80	....	....	9.75	9.85

Estimated sales: 11,513 contracts
Open interest: 112,647 off 591
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.72

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday unchanged to 3 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.17	23.18	23.16	23.17	23.19
Mar	23.17	23.18	23.16	23.16	23.19
May	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.26
Jly	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.25	23.26
Sep	23.21	23.21	23.21	23.21	23.21
Nov	23.01	23.02	23.01	23.01	23.01
Jan	23.05	....	....	23.00	23.00

Estimated sales: 285 contracts
Open interest: 11,376 up 41

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TOKYO (NOV. 7) KYODO - THE BALANCE OF REAL DEPOSITS AT JAPAN'S 12 LEADING COMMERCIAL BANKS EDGED DOWN 0.4 PERCENT IN OCTOBER TO 189.8 TRILLION YEN FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH, ACCORDING TO THE FEDERATION OF BANKERS ASSOCIATIONS.

ASSOCIATIONS OFFICIALS SAID A GROWING NUMBER OF SAVERS WERE CHANNELING FUNDS INTO ''WIDE'' FUNDS AND OTHER POPULAR INSTRUMENTS THAT PROMISE HIGHER YIELDS THAN REAL DEPOSITS.

''WIDE'' FUNDS ARE DEBENTURES WHICH HAVE INTEREST COMPOUNDED SEMIANNUALLY AND THAT IS PAID AT MATURITY.

CORPORATE DEPOSITS LEVELED OFF, WITH INDIVIDUAL DEPOSITORS ACCOUNTING FOR THE MARGINAL FALL-OFF.

JAPAN'S THREE LONG-TERM CREDIT BANKS ISSUED A NET 2.68 TRILLION YEN WORTH OF ''WIDE'' FUNDS IN OCTOBER, UP 6.1 PERCENT FROM THE PRECEDING MONTH.

THE BALANCE OF LOANS BY THE 12 MAJOR COMMERCIAL BANKS INCHED UP 0.2 PERCENT TO 207.36 TRILLION YEN FROM THE MONTH BEFORE, THE ASSOCIATION SAID.

OFFICIALS SAID STRONG CORPORATE DEMAND FOR FUNDS FOR CAPITAL INVESTMENT OFFSET THE DROP IN LENDING TO INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE DISCOURAGED FROM TAKING OUT LOANS DUE TO HIGHER INTEREST RATES ON HOUSING LOANS.

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TOKYO (NOV. 7) KYODO - JAPAN'S GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP) IS EXPECTED TO GROW ABOUT 3 PERCENT IN FISCAL 1991, BEGINNING APRIL 1991, DOWN FROM THE ESTIMATED 5 PERCENT GROWTH RATE IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, THE LONG-TERM CREDIT BANK OF JAPAN PREDICTED WEDNESDAY.

THE SLOWDOWN WAS BLAMED ON HIGHER CRUDE OIL PRICES AND RISING INTEREST RATES, THE BANK SAID. ITS ECONOMISTS ADDED THAT THE ECONOMY WILL PEAK BEFORE NEXT SUMMER, AND THAT IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THE RECENT ECONOMIC BOOM WILL LAST LONGER THAN THE SO-CALLED ''IZANAGI'' PERIOD OF ECONOMIC EXPANSION THAT RAN FROM NOVEMBER 1965 THROUGH JULY 1970, THE LONGEST BOOM ON RECORD.

THE ECONOMISTS LISTED THREE MAIN REASONS FOR THE SLOWDOWN IN GNP GROWTH: A DROP IN CONSUMPTION TRIGGERED BY RISING PRICES, SAGGING CAPITAL AND HOUSING INVESTMENTS RESULTING FROM HIGH INTEREST RATES AND LOW STOCK PRICES, AND SLUGGISH EXPORTS. THE BANK EXPECTS CONSUMER PRICES TO RISE 4 PERCENT NEXT FISCAL YEAR.

THE PESSIMISTIC OUTLOOK WAS BASED ON ASSUMPTIONS THAT CRUDE OIL PRICES WILL STAY IN A RANGE OF 25 TO 30 DOLLARS PER BARREL AND THAT THE U.S. ECONOMY WILL GROW ONE PERCENT IN 1990 AND 1991.

THE BANK'S STUDY SAID ANXIETY OVER PETROLEUM SUPPLIES FROM THE MIDDLE EAST IS EXPECTED TO REMAIN A FACTOR EVEN IF SUBSTANTIAL PEACETALKS BEGIN WITH BAGHDAD AND OIL EXPORTS FROM IRAQ AND KUWAIT ARE RESUMED.

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SINGAPORE (NOV. 7) KYODO - THE PORT OF SINGAPORE AUTHORITY ON WEDNESDAY

SIGNED A 95 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLAR (55.9 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR) CONTRACT WITH MAJOR JAPANESE TRADING HOUSE C. ITOH & CO. FOR CONSTRUCTION OF EIGHT NEW CRANES FOR THE PORT'S NEW TERMINAL.

PORT AUTHORITIES SAID IN A STATEMENT THAT C. ITOH WILL DESIGN, CONSTRUCT, DELIVER, TEST, AND COMMISSION EIGHT QUAYSIDE CRANES FOR CONTAINER HANDLING.

THE PORT SAID THE FIRST FEW UNITS ARE EXPECTED TO BE READY BY THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1992.

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TOKYO (NOV. 7) KYODO - DOMESTIC SHIPMENTS OF PERSONAL COMPUTERS ROSE A STRONG 26 PERCENT IN THE APRIL-SEPTEMBER PERIOD COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, THE JAPAN ELECTRONIC INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE HIGH FIGURES IN THE FIRST HALF OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR MAKE IT LIKELY THAT THE YEAR'S SHIPMENTS WILL EXCEED TWO MILLION UNITS, ABOVE AN INITIAL ESTIMATE OF 1.95 MILLION UNITS FOR THE WHOLE YEAR, THE ASSOCIATION SAID.

CONTRIBUTING MOST TO THE INCREASE WAS A 91 PERCENT RISE IN SHIPMENTS OF 32-BIT COMPUTERS, WHICH CONSTITUTED A THIRD OF THE TOTAL.

THE 16-BIT COMPUTERS WHICH HAVE SO FAR BEEN THE MAINSTREAM IN PERSONAL COMPUTERS, GREW ONLY 12 PERCENT COMPARED WITH LAST YEAR'S APRIL-SEPTEMBER PERIOD.

A STRONG DEMAND FOR SMALL-SIZED AND LIGHT-WEIGHT COMPUTERS WAS APPARENT, IT SAID. SHIPMENTS OF LAPTOP COMPUTERS IN THE A-4 SIZE INCREASED 2.3 TIMES TO 398,000 UNITS, MAKING UP 41 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL SHIPMENTS.

THE VALUE OF SHIPMENTS IN THE HALF-YEAR PERIOD ROSE 20 PERCENT TO 450.4 BILLION YEN.

BUT TOTAL SHIPMENTS FOR EXPORTS DROPPED 9 PERCENT TO 316,000 UNITS AS A RESULT OF MANUFACTURERS' STEPPED-UP PRODUCTION OVERSEAS.

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JAKARTA (NOV. 7) KYODO - INDONESIAN FORESTRY MINISTER HASJRUL HARAHAP ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY THAT HE HAS SUSPENDED THE LICENSE OF THE BINTUNI UTAMA MURNI LOGGING COMPANY, WHICH IS FINANCED BY MARUBENI CORP. OF JAPAN, ON THE GROUNDS THAT HE NO LONGER TRUSTS THE FIRM.

''AS LONG AS I AM MINISTER, I CANNOT TRUST THE BINTUNI COMPANY,'' HARAHAP SAID.

HARAHAP TEMPORARILY BANNED BINTUNI'S MANGROVE LOGGING ON SEPTEMBER 24 AND FINED THE COMPANY 1.1 BILLION RUPIAHS (ABOUT 590,000 U.S. DOLLARS) FOR ILLEGAL FELLING SINCE EARLY 1989.

HOWEVER, BINTUNI OFFICIALS REPORTEDLY TOLD MARUBENI REPRESENTATIVES IN JAKARTA THAT THEY HAD NOT HEARD FROM THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT EITHER ABOUT THE SUSPENSION OF ITS MANGROVE LOGGING OPERATIONS OR THE FINANCIAL PENALTY.

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TOKYO (NOV. 7) KYODO - THREE OUT OF SEVEN MAJOR JAPANESE NONFERROUS SMELTERS REPORTED WEDNESDAY THEIR LARGEST EVER GAINS IN UNCONSOLIDATED PRETAX PROFITS DURING THE APRIL-SEPTEMBER PERIOD.

HIGHER NONFERROUS METAL PRICES DURING THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD AND THE YEN'S LOWER VALUE AGAINST THE U.S. DOLLAR COMBINED TO BOOST THE EARNINGS OF THE THREE SMELTERS TO A RECORD HIGH, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

A MARKED YEAR-ON-YEAR RISE IN MARKET PRICES OF COPPER AND ZINC IN PARTICULAR HELPED IMPROVE THEIR PROFIT STRUCTURE, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE THREE WERE MITSUBISHI METAL CORP., SUMITOMO METAL MINING CO., AND FURUKAWA CO. SUMITOMO WILL PAY A DIVIDEND OF 3 YEN PER SHARE FOR THE PERIOD, THE FIRST SUCH PAYMENT.

AMONG THE SEVEN LEADING NONFERROUS SMELTERS, NIPPON MINING CO. AND MITSUI MINING AND SMELTING CO. SUFFERED SUBSTANTIAL DECLINES IN PRETAX PROFITS IN THE FIRST HALF OF FISCAL 1990, ENDING NEXT MARCH 31.

NIPPON MINING, WHICH HAS OIL REFINING OPERATIONS, REGISTERED A 88.7 PERCENT YEAR-ONYEAR PLUNGE IN PRETAX PROFITS DURING THE SIX MONTHS, SEVERELY HIT BY SOARING CRUDE OIL PRICES CAUSED BY THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS SINCE EARLY AUGUST.

MITSUI MINING AND SMELTING ALSO SUFFERED A 25.4 PERCENT FALL IN PRETAX PROFITS DUE CHIEFLY TO HIGHER DOMESTIC INTEREST RATES.

THE OTHER FIVE SMELTERS POSTED A 1 TO 52 PERCENT YEAR-ON-YEAR GAIN IN PRETAX PROFITS IN THE APRIL-SEPTEMBER PERIOD.

FOR THE ENTIRE FISCAL YEAR, THREE SMELTERS -- NIPPON MINING, MITSUI MINING AND SMELTING, AND TOHO ZINC -- PREDICT MODERATE DECLINES IN THEIR PRETAX PROFITS.

THE OTHER FOUR COMPANIES, MEANWHILE, FORECAST A SLOWER GROWTH RATE IN THEIR PRETAX PROFITS FOR ALL OF FISCAL 1990, COMPARED WITH THE APRIL-SEPTEMBER PERIOD.

FOLLOWING ARE THE FIRST-HALF FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE SEVEN LARGEST

NONFERROUS SMELTERS IN TERMS OF BILLIONS OF YEN, WITH THE PERCENTAGE OF YEAR-ON-YEAR INCREASES OR DECLINES IN PARENTHESES.

	SALES	PRETAX PROFIT	NET PROFIT
NIPPON MINING	450.5 (12.1)	1.2 (-88.7)	0.5 (-87.2)
MITSUBISHI METAL	355.7 (15.5)	15.0 (4.0)	34.0 (415.2)
SUMITOMO METAL MINING	274.2 (12.8)	14.3 (42.4)	4.7 (- 7.6)
MITSUI MINING	217.6 (54.2)	3.9 (-25.4)	3.4 (-30.3)
DOWA MINING	105.8 (14.1)	2.5 (19.6)	1.2 (20.2)
FURUKAWA	80.3 (13.2)	7.0 (52.9)	3.2 (46.5)
TOHO ZINC	41.1 (9.5)	2.3 (1.0)	1.2 (43.2)

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TOKYO (NOV. 7) KYODO - ADDITIONAL CONGRESSIONAL SEATS WON BY THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN THE MID-TERM U.S. ELECTIONS HELD EARLIER IN THE DAY COULD AGGRAVATE JAPAN-U.S. RELATIONS IN THE FINANCIAL AND TRADE SECTORS, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SAID WEDNESDAY.

DEMOCRATIC LEGISLATORS, WHO ARE SEEN AS BEING MORE PROTECTIONIST THAN THEIR REPUBLICAN COUNTERPARTS, WOULD PUT PRESSURE ON THE JAPANESE TO OPEN FURTHER THEIR RICE AND FINANCIAL MARKETS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THEY WARNED THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, WHICH HAVE BEEN RELATIVELY CALM IN RECENT MONTHS, COULD TAKE A TURN FOR THE WORSE SINCE THE NEW DEMOCRATIC LAWMAKERS, ALONG WITH THEIR INCUMBENT COLLEAGUES, ARE EXPECTED TO TAKE A HARSH STANCE AGAINST JAPAN.

THE THORNIEST ISSUE SEEN CONFRONTING THE TWO COUNTRIES IS THE RICE PROBLEM.

''IT WILL BE INEVITABLE THAT THE U.S. WILL TURN UP THE HEAT ON JAPAN TO FURTHER PRY OPEN ITS RICE MARKET'' SINCE IT IS UNDER ENORMOUS PRESSURE TO COME UP WITH A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION TO THE URUGUAY ROUND OF MULTILATERAL TRADE TALKS BY THE DECEMBER DEADLINE, SAID AN OFFICIAL AT THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES.

IF THE U.S. DOES NOT GET THE CONCESSIONS IT WANTS ON FARM TRADE AT THE END OF THE ROUND HELD UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT), IT IS EXPECTED TO TRY TO FORCE OPEN JAPAN'S RICE MARKET THROUGH BILATERAL TALKS, HE SAID.

ADDITIONAL DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSIONAL LAWMAKERS COULD HEIGHTEN TENSIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THE FINANCIAL ARENA AS WELL, BY HELPING CONGRESS PUSH THROUGH A BILL SEEKING RECIPROCAL TREATMENT FOR U.S. BANKS AND BROKERAGE HOUSES IN JAPAN.

THE FAIR TRADE IN FINANCIAL SERVICES BILL, WHICH WAS REJECTED BEFORE REACHING THE SENATE IN LATE OCTOBER, COULD WIN APPROVAL IF CONGRESS DECIDES TO REVIEW THE MATTER AGAIN NEXT JANUARY.

''PASSAGE OF THE MEASURE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY STOKE UP ILL WILL BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES OVER JAPAN'S FINANCIAL MARKET,'' SAID AN OFFICIAL WITH THE FINANCE MINISTRY.

''I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WILL TAKE A TOUGH STANCE'' ON JAPAN'S PAPER PRODUCTS DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND ITS GOVERNMENT'S PROCUREMENT OF COMPUTERS, A FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL.

THE OFFICIALS ALSO SAY THE DEMOCRATIC-LED CONGRESS WILL STEP UP PRESSURE ON JAPAN TO SHOULDER A GREATER PORTION OF THE COSTS NEEDED TO MAINTAIN U.S. TROOPS STATIONED THERE, GIVEN THE TOWERING U.S. BUDGET DEFICIT.

BUT CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY MISOJI SAKAMOTO SAID HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER THE OUTCOME OF THE ELECTION WILL LEAD TO GREATER FRICTION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

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TOKYO (NOV. 7) KYODO - TEXAS INSTRUMENTS INC. (TI) OF THE UNITED STATES ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY THAT IT HAS BEGUN SAMPLE SHIPMENTS OF NEXT-GENERATION 16-MEGABIT DYNAMIC RANDOM ACCESS MEMORY (DRAM) CHIPS AND THAT IT IS NOW MASS-PRODUCING 4-MEGABIT DRAMS.

THE SAMPLE COMMERCIAL SHIPMENTS OF THE 16-MEGABIT MEMORY CHIPS ARE EXPECTED TO BE FOLLOWED BY SIMILAR PRODUCTS FROM TOSHIBA CORP. AND NEC CORP. EARLY NEXT YEAR.

HITACHI LTD., WHICH HAS BEEN JOINTLY DEVELOPING 16-MEGABIT DRAM CHIPS WITH TEXAS INSTRUMENTS, ALSO PLANS TO START SAMPLE SHIPMENTS LATE THIS YEAR.

IN THE INITIAL STAGE, THE U.S. CHIPMAKER IS TO PRODUCE SAMPLES OF 16-MEGABIT DRAMS AT ITS FACTORY IN DALLAS, TEXAS, AND IN TWO YEARS WILL SHIFT THE PRODUCTION TO OVERSEAS PLANTS IN ITALY AND OTHER COUNTRIES, ACCORDING TO OFFICIALS AT TI'S JAPANESE SUBSIDIARY.

TI HAS SEMICONDUCTOR PLANTS IN IBARAKI, SAITAMA, AND OITA PREFECTURES IN JAPAN.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 7) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

Tokyo share prices fell nearly 2% with the Nikkei losing 465.50 following a loss of 419.58 point on Tuesday. ... WAL-MART agrees to buy the WHOLESALE CLUB in a $172 million transaction. ... THE GREAT ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC TEA CO. acquires a 51% stake in the WAREHOUSE CLUB. ... BROWNING-FERRIS's profit sank 55% in the third quarter. ... Four commodities exchanges agree to stay in New York City and build a new headquarters rather than move to New Jersey. A tax break and incentive package was offered by the city to keep the exchanges from moving.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The TREASURY DEPARTMENT auctions its 10-year note today. ... The FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS meets in open session today to discuss bank credit. ... PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. plans to lay off up to two-thirds of its investment banking division as the chairman of the Wall Street firm declares that "business stinks."

FROM THE BULLS:

"It seems all the gurus are on one side of the boat - the bearish side," says RICHARD PERKINS, president of PERKINS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. "The market will not accommodate the majority and that's one reason why I am expecting a significant rally." He says the tensions in the Middle East have eased slightly, and he expects the Fed to ease as well. "I definitely feel a significant rally to perhaps Dow 2700 is in the cards," says Perkins. ("Investor's Daily", 11/7)

STOCK MARKET:

"On a low volume day, you can get a tremendous amount of volatility because of the lack of liquidity. It's nice that the market just drifted lower and that the bears didn't pound the stuffing out of the market," says CHRISTOPHER PEDERSEN, director of trading at TWENTY- FIRST SECURITIES. (WSJ, 11/7)

"Bonds are near-term over bought, so the best I can see for stocks at this point is a market rally that could recover possibly 50% of the entire July-to-October slide," says STUART SHINBEIN, senior technical editor at "Commodity Research Bureau." "That would take us somewhere into the 2660-to-2680 area, but if it's a bear market rally, it might only recover one-third of the entire decline." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 11/6)

"There's always a little nervousness about the Treasury refundings," says chief trader KENNETH DUCEY at S.G. WARBURG. "I think a lot of people are content just to sit back and watch the progress - talk right now is that it will all go pretty well, but you can probably expect a pretty dull market for the next couple of days." ("The Washington Post," 11/7)

"We had some profit taking," says MICHAEL METZ, market strategist at OPPENHEIMER & CO. "A lot of players haven't seen gains in the last month or so." Metz is still optimistic about the market. "Considering the rise we had late last week and this week, it was a pretty good showing" Tuesday. (UPI, 11/6)

MONTE GORDON at DREYFUS CORP. compares the current market to "a slab of meat hanging in the wind and you get blown back and forth depending on which way Mr. [Saddam] Hussein chooses to turn at that particular moment." But even setting Mideast uncertainty aside, Gordon says "you don't see the kind of ingredients for the kind of economic recovery that would be essential for the market to start moving." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/6)

"There's really nothing in the news," says analyst NEWTON ZINDER at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "Every time the Dow gets over 2500 it runs into resistance." ("USA Today", 11/7)

The 17 point decline in the market yesterday was a natural reaction to a three-day, 60 point climb, says BARRY SCHRAGER, a money manager at WHETHER PARTNERS in Eatontown, N.J. "This is a digestive process," he says. He knows people who are selling stock short betting that they can be bought back later more cheaply "simply because the market has been up three days in a row." (WSJ, 11/7)

STOCK TIPS:

BARRINGTON RESEARCH ASSOCIATES recommends buying stock in NEWCOR INC., a manufacturer of specialty machinery and equipment used for auto manufacturing and in the aerospace, medical and machine-tool industries. Their earnings should grow 15% annually in the next few years. Barrington also notes that 32% of the company's stock is held by insiders. ("USA Today", 11/7)

For the second time in a row, stocks chosen by a toss of the darts outperformed the stocks chosen by professionals in the "Wall Street Journal" contest. The pros picks for the upcoming contest are as follows: LAWRENCE CISNEROS, president of SAN JUAN ASSET MANAGEMENT, likes ST. JUDE MEDICAL CO. He says the stock is "now of the size to attract ... institutional investors." MICHAEL SEYFER, president of STARMONT CAPITAL LTD. chooses APPLIED MAGNETICS CORP. because "they cannot manufacture products fast enough to fill the orders" for their magnetic recording heads for computers. Money manager JEAN-MARIE EVEILLARD of SOGEN INTERNATIONAL FUND recommends HANCOCK FABRICS, and TONY HITSCHLER, president of BRANDYWINE ASSET MANAGEMENT CO. suggests K MART. (WSJ,)

"USA Today" shines its company spotlight on CIRCUIT CITY which has fallen victim to a clear trend in the industry "for seriously weakening sales," according to SKIP HELM of WILLIAM BLAIR. "There's not a great need for everybody in this country to have a new stereo." BARRY BRYANT of

PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. predicts that the stock will slump further and recommends selling it. Analyst DONALD TROTT of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS still recommends the stock for those prepared to hold it for up to two years. He says, "For the longer term the company is still the best in the business." ("USA Today", 11/7)

FIRST ALBANY director of investment strategy HUGH JOHNSON has compiled a list of stocks that he believes are good buys, have paid steady dividends and may increase their dividends. His list is comprised of GE, AT&T, BORDEN, WESTVACO AMERICAN BRANDS, CARTER- WALLACE, CORNING, STANLEY WORKS and COLGATE-PALMOLIVE. "If you're going to buy stocks in this kind of market, these are the kind of stocks that make sense," says Johnson. ("Investor's Daily", 11/7)

Analysts seem to be in favor of WAL-MART's purchase of the WHOLESALE CLUB INC. "They have one high-growth business already. And layer another extremely rapid growth business on top of that, it makes for a real juggernaut," says BO CHEADLE of MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. ("USA Today", 11/5)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

The currency market's reluctance to sell aggressively into the lows suggests the dollar may be "building a bottom" around the 1.4825-50 mark range, says KEITH RAPHAEL of CHASE MANHATTAN BANK in New York. (WSJ, 11/7)

"With the dollar down so much, the risk of further depreciation is reduced," says CHARLES LIEBERMAN of MANUFACTURERS HANOVER. He says the dollar may move higher on the strength of buying from overseas. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/6)

The unresolved questions of the Middle East and the elections gave the dollar a boost yesterday, according to KAREN GIBBS of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "Just that uncertainty makes people cover up their short positions," says Gibbs. ("Investor's Daily", 11/7)

Bearishness toward the dollar persists, but many participants feel that a correction is due. The market "needs some catalyst ... to spur a turnaround" and to stop the dollar's downtrend, says CHRISTA BLEYLEBEN, vice president at BANK OF BOSTON. (WSJ, 11/7)

"We had a very strong auction. This should set the tone for the rest of the week," says SKIP SHAW, head of the government bond department at the New

York-based investment bank, BEAR STEARNS & CO. Shaw notes that the heavy bidding wasn't necessarily a vote of confidence in the economy. "Bond investors have a rather negative point of view on the underlying economic fundamentals. In a perverse way, this is positive for the bond market" as investors "reposition out of corporate bonds and equities and get into government securities because of credit concerns." ("The Washington Post", 11/7)

"This was a terrific [Treasury] auction and it really lived up to its advance billing," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN at DEAN WITTER. "We thought all along there would be tremendous reception accorded the three-year [T-bills], given the unsettled investment environment, and if anything it was a bit better than expected." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/5)

"It was a great auction," says ANTHONY KARVDAKIS, an economist at FIRST NATIONAL BANK in Chicago. "It lived up to the market's best expectations." ("USA Today", 11/7)

"Investors are thinking the economy is not going any place," says SAMUEL KAHAN chief economist for FUJI SECURITIES in Chicago. "Every time you open up the newspaper and see that this or that junk bond is in trouble, there is an advantage for risk-averse investors to buying government securities. It is the better-safe-than-sorry syndrome." ("The Washington Post", 11/7)

THE ECONOMY:

"We've been hearing for so long about how weak the economy is and we have yet to see anything come through with a clear cut signal," says LISA FINSTROM of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. The expectation is that "the worst is yet to come," according to Finstrom. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/6)

BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC" says there are some legitimate comparisons with economic conditions now and in the 1930s. However he says that is a far cry from saying there will be a Depression. The problem is not a severe, severe downturn as in the 30s, he says, the "serious worry" now is that "the 90s will be a period of very sluggish growth in which opportunity will be pinched, where young people have a hard time getting jobs and making careers. The real threat ... is not a deep recession ... it is with the possibility of 10 years of real sluggishness." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 11/5)

"We're looking at the U.S. economy going into a rather nasty recession," says FRANCOISE SOARES-KEMP of CREDIT SUISSE. She says at the moment, the "great opportunities" are in Europe. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/6)

"I don't think the Persian Gulf is the only reason the [stock] market went down into the 2400s," says JEFFREY BELL of LEHRMAN BELL MUELLER CANNON. "Since Bush took office, we've never had a quarter that was better than a 1.8%

annual growth rate, and now the administration doesn't have a way to make the economy grow anymore since they've, in effect, made tax cuts illegal." Bell predicts the economy will rebound in the first half of 1991, but will be weak once again in the second half. ("Investor's Daily", 11/7)

The LABOR DEPARTMENT reported that the productivity of U.S. workers improved modestly in the third quarter, but not enough to boost the ailing economy. Productivity often fizzles near the end of economic expansions, as firms draw on the last available labor and equipment. "In my view, we had reached that [point] last year," says AUDREY FREEDMAN, a labor economist at the CONFERENCE BOARD. "Now, I think 1990 has been a year of exhaustion." (WSJ, 11/7)

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Bonneville Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: BPCO) and Texaco Cogeneration and Power Co. (TCAP), a division of Texaco Inc. (NYSE: TX) have, through their subsidiaries, entered into two parntership agreements to design, construct and operate BPC's two 85 megawatt, natural gas-fired cogeneration facilities outside Las Vegas, Nev., it was announced today by Robert A. Keegan, executive vice president of BPC and James L. Pauley, president of TCAP.

A majority of the natural gas fuel requirement will be supplied by Texaco Gas Marketing Inc, another subsidiary of Texaco Inc., under long-term gas management agreements with the partnerships.

Keegan stated, "This represents the fulfillment of over two years worth of development by Bonneville in these projects. The relationship with Texaco represents a win-win strategy for both organizations. These partnerships greatly increase the overall value of the projects by the unique structure of the fuel supply agreements. We look forward to future business opportunities with TCAP in other projects."

Pauley stated, "TCAP is enthusiastic to join forces with BPC in the development and operation of these facilities. The formation of these partnerships meets Texaco Inc.'s strategic initiative to create value by expanding our presence in the growing market of private power generation."

The two projects, which will come on line in mid to late 1992, will be substantially similar in design and construction. Construction is expected to begin for both projects in the first quarter of 1991 with total construction costs for each facility anticipated to be approximately 100 million dollars. Financing is under active negotiation.

Texaco Clark County Cogeneration Co. and Bonneville Nevada Corp. have formed Nevada Cogeneration Associates No. 1, which will provide thermal energy to Georgia-Pacific Corp.'s gypsum board production facilties. In like manner,

Texaco Nevada Cogeneration Co. and Bonneville Nevada Corp. have formed Nevada Cogeneration Associates No. 2, which will provide the same to Pacific Coast Building Products Inc.'s (PABCO) gypsum production facility. The two projects which are within 10 miles of each other, will sell their electrical power to Nevada Power Co.

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DENVER (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Caprock Corp. (NASDAQ: CPRK) today announced results of a drilling program on its Valdez, Alaska property that has identified proven gold reserves of 87,895 Troy ounces having a total value of $33 million based on current market prices.

In addition to the proven reserves, the drilling program indentified probable reserves of 25,788 Troy ounces and possible resource of 66,700 Troy ounces, bringing the total geologic reserves to 180,347 Troy ounces.

The calculation, completed by James Askew Assoc. Inc., a mining, geological and geotechnical engineering company with operations in Denver and Australia, was based on 112 reverse circulation drill holes in an area 4,000 feet long and 1,400 feet wide and an additional 29 drill holes 6,500 feet upstream in the Valdez Creek Valley.

The gold bearing gravels begin at depths as shallow as 10 feet and continue as deep as 150 feet from the surface. The average grade of the pay zone is .052 ounces of fine gold per cubic yard, a grade well above the average found in comparable deposits. The deposit remains open in all directions and, with only a very small area of the property drilled, it is believed to have excellent potential for substantially larger reserves. The feasibility for 1991 production on the property is currently being evaluated.

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GLENDALE, CA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - If peace were declared in the Persian Gulf tomorrow, it would take the major greeting card companies six months or more to get a "Welcome Home, Returning GI" card to the retail stores.

The inability of the industry to rapidly meet the changing needs of its customers is only one reason why Len Davidson and Matt Russell are confident they have developed a unique computerized greeting card system called CreataCard, which they believe will change the way greeting cards are marketed. Russell and Davidson need only as little as 48 hours to get a

"current event" greeting card to the market.

Developed by Custom Expressions Inc. of Glendale, CreataCard guides consumers through a series of user-friendly menus using a touch-sensitive display screen. After selecting the style of card they desire, consumers enter relevant information such as names, dates, ages, messages, etc. Then, using a sophisticated color printing device that draws as if by hand, line for line (as if an artist is locked inside the machine), the cards are drawn in full view of customers. The cards currently retail for $2.95 each.

The two company principals point out the ease with which they can update the unit's card inventory to offer topical or event-related cards, such as their "Desert Shield" line.

So far, many consumers seem to be enamored with CreataCard's vast and sometimes risque card selection. There are cards for virtually every occasion including a "You're a Jerk" category that contains numerous revenge-oriented snippets ranging from mild to downright nasty.

Russell and Davidson are evaluating 100 other applications for their system. Already, a variety of other instantly produced, custom-printed products, such as personalized bumper stickers, invitations, horoscopes, certificates, plaques and party kits, are being developed.

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#90311p4083 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Eight semiconductor companies with facilities in the Portland metropolitan area and Salem, Ore., have banded together to solve a common problem, the Portland Development Council announced today.

All are encountering difficulties in recruiting experienced workers. Working in partnership with the Oregon Economic Development Department, the Portland Development Commission and five area community colleges, they have pooled resources in an unprecedented cooperative effort known as the Oregon Semiconductor Initiative to establish a common entry-level training program. Ordinarily, firms in the semiconductor industry are fiercely proprietary about all aspects of their businesses.

A three- to four-week curriculum is being developed by technical representatives from each of the companies, Fujitsu Microelectronics Inc., Wacker Siltronic Corp., OKI Semiconductor, Siltec Silicon, Sharp Microelectronics, Intel Corp., Tektronix Inc. and Bipolar Integrated Technology Inc. The curriculum will encompass everything from an overview of

the chip-making process and computer familiarity to clean room procedures, elementary statistical process control and semiconductor terminology. The program will go into full operation early next year.

Over one fifth of the Portland area's manufacturing workforce is employed by high technology firms. There are more than 450 such firms in the region; it has the third highest concentration of electronics companies in the United States on a per capita basis, according to the American Electronics Association. One attraction: the workforce is highly educated. About 87 percent of all Oregon adults are high school graduates and 25 percent have completed college -- far exceeding the national average in both categories.

Contact Harry Lenhart at 503-796-5241 for sources in the public and private sectors who can provide more information on this and other news items about Portland and Oregon.

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#90311p4093 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - CEL-SCI Corporation (NASDAQ: CELI) announced today that the Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services (HRS) has given approval to start two Phase II clinical cancer trials with its natural Interleukin-2 (IL-2) lymphokine "cocktail." This is the first time the natural Interleukin-2 "cocktail" will be administered to cancer patients in Phase II clinical trials in the United States.

The trials will focus on metastatic malignant melanoma and unresectable head and neck cancer. Both of these cancers are presently untreatable and have a relatively high rate of occurrence in the state of Florida.

The trials will take place at the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Research Center in Tampa. John Hadden, M.D., a renowned immunopharmacologist and professor at the University of South Florida Medical College in Tampa, will be the co-investigator of both trials with surgeons at the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center.

Florida legislation permits the intrastate manufacture, sale and use of certain investigational drugs for the treatment of cancer patients in Florida under protocols as approved by HRS. Upon successful completion of the trials, CEL-SCI intends to apply to the Florida HRS for permission to manufacture and sell the drug in the state of Florida. This would transform CEL-SCI Corporation from a pure R&D company at present to a company with marketable products and would open the door to the large and growing cancer/immunorestorative market.

Maximilian de Clara, president of CEL-SCI Corporation, said, "This approval

may very well signal increased acceptance of the 'cocktail' principle in immuno-therapy, pioneered by CEL-SCI in the early 1980s when most pharmaceutical companies failed to appreciate the potential for 'cocktail' therapies using immuno-modulators." De Clara continues, "Phase I clinical trials for the natural cell-cultured IL-2 'cocktail' have already been successfully completed in Britain, and British government approval for Phase II clinical trials has also been granted."

CEL-SCI holds an exclusive license for 12 U.S. and European patents covering production, product and administration of cell-cultured natural IL-2, IL-2 "cocktail" and IL-1. Its 50 percent owned subsidiary, Viral Technologies, Inc., has just completed its first phase of human trials with its HGP-30 AIDS vaccine. Further tests are scheduled to start soon in the United States and in Europe.

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SAN DIMAS, CA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Vestar Inc. (NASDAQ: VSTR) today announced that it has been informed by the Medicines Control Agency (MCA) that AmBisome is receiving "Fast Tracking" review for marketing approval in the United Kingdom. The next pivotal step in the process is consideration by the Advisory Committees. The company has been informed by the MCA to be prepared for such review in early 1991.

Dr. Roger J. Crossley, president and chief executive officer, stated, "This is further welcome news regarding regulatory review of AmBisome. As announced previously, the BGA (Germany) has also allocated a first priority classification to this product."

AmBisome is the trade name for the intravenous liposomal formulation of amphotericin B, a broad spectrum, anti-infective agent used to treat potentially fatal systemic fungal infections that often occur in immune-compromised patients who have undergone cancer therapy, post-organ/bone marrow transplants and AIDS patients.

Vestar Inc. is a pharmaceutical company focused on the development of therapeutic and diagnostic agents for cancer, AIDS and related diseases.

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#90311p4100 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - USF&G Corporation (NYSE: FG) today reported a consolidated net loss of $15 million, or $.22 per share, for the third

quarter of 1990, compared with a net loss of $17 million, or $.25 per share, in the same period in 1989.

The net loss for the quarter includes realized gains on investments of $9 million, or $0.11 per share, compared with realized losses on investments of $9 million in the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, USF&G had consolidated net income of $41 million, or $.35 per share, compared with consolidated net income of $15 million, or $.03 per share, for the same period in 1989. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 includes realized gains on investments of $3 million, compared with realized losses of $79 million during the same period in the prior year.

Operating loss, which excludes realized gains and losses, for the third quarter of 1990 was $19 million or $.27 per share compared with a loss of $8 million, or $.15 per share for the same period in 1989. Nine month operating income totalled $38 million in 1990 compared with $94 million for the same period in 1989.

Consolidated revenues for the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 were $1.2 billion and $3.4 billion, respectively. Consolidated net investment income for the third quarter of 1990 was $231 million, compared with $224 million in the same period in 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, consolidated net investment income was $698 million, up from $666 million in the same period in the prior year.

Assets were $13.9 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990, and shareholders equity totalled $1.6 billion or $17.01 per share.

Baltimore-based USF&G Corporation, with assets of $13.9 billion, is composed of subsidiaries engaged in the writing of property/casualty and life insurance and in the sale of financial services. The corporation's principal subsidiary is United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company.

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#90311p4101 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW CANAAN, CT (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Smith Corona Corporation (NYSE: SCO) late yesterday, filed an anti-dumping duty petition seeking relief from dumped imports of personal word processors from Japan and Singapore. In its petition Smith Corona estimates dumping by the major Japanese producers, including Brother and Panasonic, by margins of over 30 percent in the past year.

The Smith Corona petition was filed in the wake of a decision by the U.S. Department of Commerce last Friday, that found that the personal word processor created by the addition of a visual display and disk drive to a typewriter does not exclude those machines from the anti-dumping duty order

already in place on Japanese typewriters. This decision means that imports of portable word processors built on a typewriter chassis which do not have a detachable keyboard will be subject to estimated duties and to review under the anti-dumping law.

The new action means that Smith Corona's major products will be covered either by the existing anti-dumping duty order or by the newly filed petition. According to the Department of Commerce, the department will determine whether to initiate a separate investigation based on the petition by Nov. 26. If initiated, the U.S. International Trade Commission will investigate and make a preliminary decision as to whether Smith Corona is injured by the dumped imports by Dec. 21, 1990.

In an earlier decision handed down on Sept. 26, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in Washington, had affirmed a trial court decision which found that Japanese portable typewriters with text memories were covered by an existing anti-dumping order.

Smith Corona, based in New Canaan, is the world's largest manufacturer of portable electronic typewriters and personal word processors. It recently announced its entry into the home, student, home office and small business segments of the personal computer market, beginning in early 1991. The company also markets office supplies, forms and customized printed products.

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#90311p4102 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MUNICH, Germany (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Sixteen of the world's top tennis players have accepted their invitations to compete in the first ever Compaq Grand Slam Cup.

The climax of the tennis year, the Compaq Grand Slam Cup is sponsored by Compaq Computer Corporation (NYSE: CPQ), a world leader in the manufacture of PC systems and desktop, portable and laptop personal computers. The tournament will be played in the Munich Olympiahalle Dec. 11-16.

The Four Grand Slam Champions of 1990 -- Australian Open winner Ivan Lendl, French Open champion Andres Gomez, Wimbledon title-holder Stefan Edberg and U. S. Open hero Pete Sampras -- head an elite field of 16.

Players with the best records at the four Grand Slam Championships qualified for a place in the event and will compete for a first prize of $US 2 million.

Tennis fans all over the world will enjoy the spectacular tennis of Edberg (Sweden), Lendl (Czechoslovakia), Andre Agassi (U.S.), Gomez (Ecuador), Sampras (U.S.), Goran Ivanisevic (Yugoslavia), Jonas Svensson (Sweden), Thomas

Muster (Austria), David Wheaton (U.S.), Yannick Noah (France), Andrei Cherkasov (U.S.S.R.), Michael Chang (U.S.), Aaron Krickstein (U.S.), Henri Leconte (France), Kevin Curren (U.S.) and Christian Bergston (Sweden) at the Compaq tournament. Brad Gilbert (U.S.) and Thierry Champion (France) will be invited to Munich as alternates.

The event, which will be seen on television in more than 70 countries by a potential audience of more than one billion, will provide $2 million for the Grand Slam Development Fund for the benefit of tennis worldwide.

Eckhard Pfeiffer, president, Compaq Europe and International, said, "As a company with a rapidly increasing worldwide presence, we are very excited about bringing the world's leading tennis players to a truly global audience."

Founded in 1982, Compaq Computer Corporation has consistently set business and industry growth records. This year, Compaq achieved "Global Fortune 500" status, as ranked (No. 438) in Fortune Magazine's 1990 listing of the world's largest companies. COMPAQ products are sold in 64 countries through a network of more than 3,000 Authorized COMPAQ Computer Dealers.

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#90311p4103 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OH (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Shopsmith, Inc. (NASDAQ: SHOP) today reported $9.6 million in revenues for its fiscal second quarter ended Sept. 30 1990 as compared to revenues of $10.2 million for the same period last year. The company typically realizes its lowest sales in the second quarter. Revenues for the first six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $20 million compared to $21 million of revenues for the first six months of last year.

Despite cost improvements implemented during the period, operations resulted in net losses of $443,000 or $.20 per share for the quarter and $877,000 or $.39 per share for the first half. This was caused by the reduced sales volume and the increase in operating costs from the company's retail stores opened in fiscal 1990. Second quarter and first half losses last year were $162,000 or $.07 per share and $147,000 or $.07 per share, respectively.

Shopsmith chairman and chief executive officer John R. Folkerth said, "The weakening of the U.S. economy has caused reduced demand for our products this summer. Additionally, competition in our market is increasing.

"Several programs designed to improve sales of major products were implemented during the quarter. It was encouraging to see that sales of these products began to strengthen late in the quarter. We are also pleased to have an

attractive offering of new products for our upcoming Christmas selling season." He noted that the fiscal third quarter should produce improved financial results.

Shopsmith is the leader in the production and marketing of quality multipurpose woodworking tools. The company markets over 1,200 products through mail order and through 44 company-owned stores in the U.S., Canada and Great Britain.

Unaudited Results for the three months ended

September 30,	1990	1989
Revenues	$9,632,000	$10,159,000
Gross profit	4,746,000	5,070,000
(Loss) before income taxes	(672,000)	(276,000)
Net (loss)	(443,000)	(162,000)
(Loss) per share	($.20)	($.07)
Average shares outstanding	2,235,925	2,220,799

Unaudited Results for the six months ended

September 30,	1990	1989
Revenues	$19,729,000	$20,773,000
Gross profit	9,609,000	10,346,000
(Loss) before income taxes	(1,330,000)	(259,000)
Net (loss)	(877,000)	(147,000)
(Loss) per share	($.39)	($.07)
Average shares outstanding	2,231,469	2,218,554

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#90311p4104 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MUNICH, GERMANY (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Compaq Computer Corporation (NYSE: CPQ) will introduce a world first in tennis at the Compaq Grand Slam Cup at the Munich Olympiahalle, Dec. 11-16.

Compaq, title sponsor of the event, will make available the most comprehensive and detailed tennis database to date for the world press, and for the first time ever, the spectators. Complementing this enormous fund of information will be on-the-spot online statistics fed into the database.

Compaq Computer Corporation will install a combination of 100 COMPAQ desktop, laptop and notebook PCs for users to tap into a wealth of detailed historical information and personal data on players. For example, vital statistics on the game, points and performance, longest rally and number of first serves, will be fed into the database by a resident programmer, and users will have immediate access to results as they occur.

Both press and spectators alike will have access to personal profiles of each player, encompassing age, status, education and career path, extra curricular activity, game philosophy, and historical data on player performance for all tournaments held in 1990. Users will be able to create a full picture of any tennis event from a tournament, a match, or a player, right down to an analysis of a particular stroke served on the court in front of him.

The COMPAQ SYSTEMPRO, the first of an emerging class of extremely powerful personal computer systems, will support COMPAQ desktop, laptop and notebook PCs over a Novell NetWare 3.1 network installed throughout the Munich Olympiahalle. Linking the Stadium, Press Office, demonstration areas and hospitality lounges, Compaq has ensured the database can be accessed by anyone attending the event. A user-friendly online, menu-driven database gives excellent accessibility for first-time users. For journalists with their own personal laptop PCs, Compaq has also ensured access to the network.

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Founded in 1982, Compaq has consistently set business and industry growth records. This year, Compaq achieved "Global Fortune 500" status, as ranked (No. 438) in Fortune Magazine's 1990 listing of the world's largest companies.

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#90311p4106 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAWRENCEVILLE, N.J. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Imo Industries Inc. (NYSE: IMD) today announced the Federal Trade Commission has approved IMO's planned acquisition of Optic-Electronic Corp. (OEC).

Completion of the transaction, for approximately $38 million in cash, requires approval by the shareholders of United Scientific Holdings PLC, parent company of OEC. It is anticipated that the acquisition will be paid for from IMO's cash on hand and temporary borrowings and will be completed during the current quarter.

IMO supplies analytical and optical instruments, electronic and mechanical controls, engineered power products and their support services to industrial and defense customers worldwide.

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#90311p4107 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDSBORO, NC (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Goldtex, Inc. (NASDAQ: GLTX) today released its earnings for the quarter ending October 28, 1990, which is the first quarter of the current fiscal year. For the quarter, the Company reported a net profit of $304,240 on sales of $6,594,832, compared to a net loss of $375,558 on sales of $4,248,624 for the same period in 1989. On a per share basis, the Company reported a net profit of $.13 in the 1990 period, compared to a net loss of $.16 in 1989.

Will Hopper, President, stated: "The Company is encouraged by the improvements attained in its operations during the past quarter. While we have considerable concern over general economic conditions prevailing today, we believe the Company has opportunities to continue to better its performance during the remainder of the current fiscal year."

Goldtex, Inc., headquartered in Goldsboro, North Carolina, is engaged in the printing, dyeing and finishing of fabrics for others on a commission basis.

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#90311p4108 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ZURICH, SWITZERLAND / BRATISLAVA, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The following has been released by General Motors (NYSE: GM) in Europe:

General Motors Europe and the government of the Slovak Republic have signed a protocol exclusively selecting GM to establish transmission manufacturing and vehicle assembly operations at the Bratislavske Automobilove Zavody (BAZ) facilities in Bratislava, pending the outcome of current negotiations.

Initial plans are for the manufacture of up to 250,000 automobile transmissions annually for export to other GM facilities in Europe, as well as the assembly of Opel passenger cars for sale in Czechoslovakia. Production could begin in late 1992. GM is also in the process of establishing a distribution organization for the sale of Opel vehicles in the CSFR.

Following recent developments in Eastern Europe, GM has already established a facility for assembly of the Opel Vectra in Eisenach, eastern Germany, where production began in early October. The comnpany is also further developing its plans for engine production and vehicle assembly in Szentgotthard, Hungary scheduled to start up in 1992. In addition, GM's Packard Electric Division has a joint venture producing automotive wiring harnesses in the town of Szombathely in western Hungary.

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#90311p4114 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

TUSTIN, CALIF. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Techniclone International Corp.'s (NASDAQ: TCLN) announced Wednesday that its common stock will continue to be included for quotation in the National Association of Securities Dealer's Automated Quotations Systems (NASDAQ) via an exception from the capital and surplus requirements.

While Techniclone failed to meet this requirement as of July 31, 1990, the NASD has granted a temporary exception from this standard subject to Techniclone meeting certain conditions. While the company believes that it can meet these conditions, there can be no assurance that it will do so according to Lon H. Stone, chief executive officer and chairman of the board of Techniclone International Corp. If at some future date the company's securities should cease to be quoted on the NASDAQ system, they should continue to be quoted in the over-the-counter market. For the duration of the exception, the company's NASDAQ symbol will be TCLNC.

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#90311p4115 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - EIP Microwave Inc. (NASDAQ: EIPM) reported net sales for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $2,165,000, a 40 percent decrease from the same period last year. The decrease resulted primarily from a significant decline in domestic defense-related business. Net loss of $107,000 ($.05 per share) was incurred for the quarter, as compared to net income of $293,000 ($.13 per share) earned during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Incoming orders for the fourth quarter were $1,804,000, an 18 percent decrease from the same period a year ago.

Net sales for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $11,333,000, an 18 percent decrease from fiscal year 1989. The company earned net income of $127,000 ($.06 per share) for fiscal year 1990, as compared to net income of $771,000 ($.35 per share) recorded during the previous year.

The prior year's results include a pre-tax charge to operations of $1,050,000 resulting from the write-down of certain assets associated with the company's realignment of technical, financial and management resources. The prior year's results also reflect a benefit of $748,000, or $.34 per share, the cumulative effect of adopting the new accounting standard on income taxes.

The company believes that the decline in defense related spending will continue to depress revenue levels. At the same time, the company expects to continue to invest heavily in new product development. As a result, the company expects to incur a net loss for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

EIP Microwave Inc. manufactures high frequency test and measurement instruments, which are predominantly used in the defense and telecommunications industries. The company has manufacturing facilities in Milpitas, Calif. and maintains corporate offices in Newport Beach. The company's common stock is traded over the counter on the NASDAQ National Market System using the symbol "EIPM."

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#90311p4117 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - USF&G Corporation (NYSE: FG) announced today that its board of directors, in order to conserve the company's capital base and strengthen its competitive position in a challenging marketplace, authorized a reduction in its quarterly common stock dividend to $.25 per share and approved a program to trim costs by approximately $75 million. The dividend change will be reflected in the next dividend, payable Jan. 31, 1991 to holders of record on Dec. 21, 1990. The board also declared a regular quarterly dividend on its preferred stock of $1.025, payable Jan. 31, 1991 to holders of record on Dec. 21, 1990.

The board further announced that it has been informed by USF&G's chairman, president and chief executive officer, Jack Moseley, of his decision to take early retirement. Moseley, who was named to these positions in 1981, will continue to serve until a successor is appointed. The board said that it has selected a successor, who is an executive of national stature, and will announce the appointment within a few weeks.

The corporation said that the board undertook an intensive review of the corporation's financial position and business strategies, during which it determined that reducing the dividend and lowering costs were essential steps for USF&G to take.

The corporation anticipates the cost reduction program will include staff reductions at all levels and all segments of the corporation through terminations and attrition. Details of the program will be announced in the coming weeks. The benefits of the cost reduction program will be significantly realized in 1991 and fully in 1992. On an annualized basis, the reduction in the dividend will conserve approximately $160 million of the corporation's retained earnings.

The corporation said that conserving USF&G's capital position through these steps will enable it to maintain the effectiveness of its marketing programs and the quality of its customer service, while supporting the long-term strategy to achieve balance and growth in its overall business. The corporation also stated that it believes these steps will help position USF&G to more readily take advantage of opportunities during the next upturn in the underwriting cycle, and that in the aggregate these initiatives will enhance shareholder value.

Baltimore-based USF&G Corporation, with assets of $13.9 billion, is engaged through it subsidiaries in the writing of property/casualty and life insurance and in the sale of financial services. The corporation's principal subsidiary is United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company.

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#90311p4120 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - In a broad clean-up of ineffective ingredients in non-prescription drug products, the Food and Drug Administration today banned 223 ingredients in 19 classes of products for problems ranging from acne to a need to stop smoking.

FDA said no proof that the ingredients are effective for certain conditions has been submitted during the agency's ongoing review, even through manufacturers have had many opportunities.

Among the substances banned are juniper tar and pine tar in dandruff products, various enzymes and dehydrated garlic in digestive-aid products, aspirin in external medications and prune concentrate in powders in stimulant laxatives. These ingredients were introduced into products before 1962, when a change in the law required manufacturers to submit effectiveness data for FDA's approval before future drug products could be marketed.

In 1972, FDA began a massive review of some 300,000 non-prescription products then on the market. In earlier actions, FDA has banned ingredients when their safety or effectiveness was in doubt and has required revised labeling for many drugs.

In addition to the 223 ingredients banned today, FDA also proposed Oct. 29 to ban 111 drug ingredients in so-called diet products sold without prescription (see press release P90-50).

Some manufacturers have already abandoned some of the ingredients because in the early stages of FDA's non-prescription drug review advisory panels of non-government medical experts had reported there was insufficient evidence to judge their effectiveness.

Some major products would by affected by the ruling, published in today's Federal Register. Anti-dandruff products such as Tegrin Lotion could no longer include allantoin, and Packers Shampoo and Packers Soap could no longer include pine tar. The antidiarrheal product Donnagel could no longer include atropine sulfate, hyoscyamine sulfate and scopolamine hydrobromide.

Other ingredients affected by the ban include some used for allergies, boils, cold symptoms, digestive problems, ingrown nails, constipation, oral health problems, pain psoriasis and other skin problems, nailbiting and thumbsucking, seborrheic dermatitis, smoking and swimmer's ear.

Some of these same ingredients have been found effective for other conditions. For example, aspirin is banned in today's action as an external analgesic ingredient. However, when used in internal pain relief products, it is considered effective.

Once the ban takes effect in six months, manufacturers wishing to include any of these ingredients in non-prescription products will have to provide FDA evidence that the ingredient is safe and effective for its intended use and obtain the agency's approval.

In the agency's review of non-prescription drugs, officials review advisory panel reports and subsequent public comments. FDA then publishes a proposed rule with another comment period that includes an opportunity for a public hearing. Ultimately, FDA issues a final regulation or monograph that in effect becomes a "recipe" listing acceptabe ingredients, doses, formulations and labeling.

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BALTIMORE (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - USF&G Corporation (NYSE: FG) announced today that its board of directors, in order to conserve the company's capital base and strengthen its competitive position in a challenging marketplace, authorized a reduction in its quarterly common stock dividend to $.25 per share and approved a program to trim costs by approximately $75 million. The dividend change will be reflected in the next dividend, payable Jan. 31, 1991 to holders of record on Dec. 21, 1990. The board also declared a regular quarterly dividend on its preferred stock of $1.025, payable Jan. 31, 1991 to holders of record on Dec. 21, 1990.

The board further announced that it has been informed by USF&G's chairman, president and chief executive officer, Jack Moseley, of his decision to take early retirement. Moseley, who was named to these positions in 1981, will

continue to serve until a successor is appointed. The board said that it has selected a successor, who is an executive of national stature, and will announce the appointment within a few weeks.

The corporation said that the board undertook an intensive review of the corporation's financial position and business strategies, during which it determined that reducing the dividend and lowering costs were essential steps for USF&G to take. While for more than two decades USF&G successfully implemented a policy of sustaining dividend and employment levels during all phases of the underwriting cycle, the corporation said that the extended duration of the present trough in the property and casualty market and the economic uncertainty resulting from a general business downturn required these extraordinary actions.

The corporation anticipates the cost reduction program will include staff reductions at all levels and all segments of the corporation through terminations and attrition. Details of the program will be announced in the coming weeks. The benefits of the cost reduction program will be significantly realized in 1991 and fully in 1992. On an annualized basis, the reduction in the dividend will conserve approximately $160 million of the corporation's retained earnings.

Baltimore-based USF&G Corporation, with assets of $13.9 billion, is engaged through it subsidiaries in the writing of property/casualty and life insurance and in the sale of financial services. The corporation's principal subsidiary is United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company.

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#90311p4128 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Gitano Group, Inc. (NYSE: GIT) today announced, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income of $6,262,000, a 27.2 percent decrease from $8,603,000 in the 1989 third quarter. Net sales totalled $239,489,000 for the quarter, reflecting a 34.1 percent increase from net sales of $178,615,000 recorded a year ago. Earnings per share for the quarter were $.40 based on 15,722,170 weighted average shares outstanding, compared with $.62 per share based on 13,920,655 shares outstanding in 1989 (a 13 percent increase in the number of shares outstanding).

For the first nine months of 1990, Gitano reported an increase of 7.2 percent in net income to $27,086,000, from $25,280,000 in 1989. Net sales increased 37.1 percent to $643,729,000 from $469,392,000 recorded a year ago. Earnings per share totalled $1.85 for the first nine months based on 14,659,671 shares outstanding, compared with $1.82 last year, based on 13,920,655 shares outstanding.

Haim Dabah, president and chief operating officer of The Gitano Group, Inc. said, "We are pleased by the sales increase achieved this quarter under very difficult retail conditions as economic concerns continue to affect consumer spending. We believe our sales increases are due primarily to the continuing demand for the Gitano brand by the American consumer, as well as sales from our recent acquisitions. Earnings for the third quarter reflect a weak and highly promotional back-to-school selling season, re-orders at low margins as well as our continuing program of aggressive inventory reduction. While these factors resulted in lower profit margins for us in the short-term, it is enabling us to continue and strengthen our relationship with our major accounts as we help them with product "sell-throughs" in this difficult retail climate. This inventory reduction program strengthens our balance sheet by increasing inventory turn, resulting in improved capital productivity."

Commenting on the fourth quarter, Dabah said, "While sales and earnings for the fourth quarter and the holiday selling season are difficult to estimate in today's uncertain retail environment, present trends clearly indicate a continuing downturn at the retail level. Despite these conditions, we believe that our sales and market share will continue to grow through the balance of the year, but our earnings for the fourth quarter will be below that of last year."

The Gitano Group, Inc. is a marketer, designer and manufacturer of branded apparel sold under the Gitano and Gloria Vanderbilt trademarks. Diversified product lines include women's jeanswear, sportwear, swimwear and intimate apparel in junior, missy, maternity and plus sizes as well as men's and children's jeanswear and sportwear. Gitano brand products are sold primarily through mass merchants and discounters throughout the U.S. at an average retail price of under $20.

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DALLAS, TEXAS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hallwood Group Incorporated (NYSE: HWG) announced today that it intends to purchase from time to time, on the American Stock Exchange or in privately negotiated transactions, units of limited partnership interest (the "units") in Hallwood Realty Partners, L.P. (AMEX: HRY). As previously announced, on Nov. 1, 1990, Hallwood Realty Partners completed its consolidation of eight publicly held real estate partnerships initially sponsored by Equitec Financial Group, Inc. and on Nov. 2, 1990, the units began trading on the American Stock Exchange. Hallwood Realty Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Hallwood Group, is the general partner of Hallwood Realty Partners.

The Hallwood Group stated that it is proposing to purchase units because it believes that, at current trading prices on the American Stock Exchange, the units are significantly undervalued and therefore represent an attractive investment opportunity. The Hallwood Group indicated that the number of units it might purchase would depend on market conditions prevailing from time to time and that all purchases, other than "block purchases," as defined in Rule 10b-18 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, would only be made in accordance with the volume limitations and other provisions of such rule.

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#90311p4130 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - GE Information Services today announced "Letters From Home" - a program to allow families and friends of those serving with the U.S. Armed Forces in the Persian Gulf region to send free electronic mail messages via the GEnie service.

"Letters From Home", offered in cooperation with the U.S. Armed Forces, the Saudi-American General Electric Company, GE Rents and Pitney Bowes Inc., allows individuals in the United States with access to a personal computer and modem to send personal messages to loved ones serving in the Persian Gulf region.

Letters will be sent electronically via GE Information Services' worldwide teleprocessing network to GE's local telecommunications facility in Saudi Arabia. The letters will be received and printed on computers and printers supplied by GE Rents.

The mail will then be folded, inserted, and sealed in envelopes using state-of-the-art equipment provided by Pitney Bowes. The letters will then be given to the U.S. Armed Forces for delivery to the designated serviceperson.

In announcing "Letters From Home". GEnie general manager Bill Louden said, "All of us at GE are proud of the men and women serving our country in the Persian Gulf. And we are pleased that our electronic mail service can significantly reduce the time required for delivery over traditional mail."

"We also hope that the expeditious delivery of these letters through our worldwide teleprocessing network can serve as a real morale booster for the troops," added Louden.

Subscribers to the GEnie service need only type the word "Letters" at any menu prompt on the service. Non-subscribers can dial a local access telephone number or, if they are not near one of the more than 500 GE Information Services dial-up locations, access via a toll-free 800 number.

To send a Letter From Home, an individual will need to know the name and rank, social security number, unit or ship and APO or FPO of the recipient. The Letters From Home system will automatically prompt senders for the appropriate information.

The GEnie service, one of the leading on-line information services, is available throughout the United States, Canada, Japan, Germany, Austria, and Switzerland via a local phone call. For further information on the GEnie Service and its free "Letters From Home" project, please call GEnie Client Services at 1-800-638-9636.

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#90311p4131 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Citicorp (NYSE: CCI) today announced it will redeem $275 million of its $950 million of auction rate and remarketed preferred stock to bring the amount outstanding to a level more in line with market demand for this specialized security.

Citicorp expects the move to improve rates it pays at repricing auctions on the $675 million of the stock remaining in the market. It also expects the move to benefit the market for this type of preferred, preserving it as a financing option for Citicorp and a wide range of other companies in banking and other industries.

The immediate effect of the Citicorp action is to redeem at the earliest possible date the $75 million of its series 5F preferred stock scheduled for auction to day. Other series subject to today's redemption announcement are $100 million of Series 5A and $100 million of Series 5B (including shares exchanged for those securities) which will be redeemed after the expiration of the previously announced exchange offers.

Citicorp will keep its options open concerning future auctions and whether it may call further amounts of its auction or remarketed rate preferred.

Reducing the number of the shares outstanding should allow the market to better match supply and demand, producing rates more in line with those of other Citicorp instruments in the market.

Citicorp short term commercial paper, for instance, has been selling in a rate range of 7.85 percent to 8.10 percent in the last three months, consistently lower than the composite rate for comparable commercial paper compiled by the Federal Reserve. The pattern is the same for all Citicorp and Citibank short-term funding, in contrast to an aberrational "spiking" in rates which has recently occurred in its auction rate and remarketed preferred stock

repricings.

Citicorp's overall funding, including Citibank, has very different characteristics from typical money center banks, with 65 percent now accounted for by deposits, particularly a very large and stable consumer deposit base. Equity, long-term debt and other items make up about 25 percent, and short-term funding in the markets accounts for less than 10 percent.

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#90311p4132 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BINGHAMTON, NY (NOV. 7) PRNEWSWIRE - Resource Recycling Technologies, Inc. (AMEX: RRT), a diversified waste recycling concern, posted revenues of $11.3 and $23.0 million for the three and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively, a 95 percent and 83 percent improvement over the same period last year, reports Lawrence J. Schorr, president. Net income for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $328,000 ($0.12/share) and $497,000 ($0.20/share), respectively, versus $99,000 ($.06/share) and $122,000 ($-/share) for the comparable prior year periods.

Schorr indicated that the third quarter basically tracked management expectations, although general economic conditions are of concern. Commodity prices, particularly newspaper and aluminum, continue to be soft, thereby reducing profitability. Schorr further stated that controlling expenses requires constant vigilance, especially in the aggressive growth mode of the company.

Schorr also stated that the company is on track with the construction of its two newest facilities in Ocean County, N.J. and Palm Beach County, Fla., with expected operational dates in May 1991. The company expects to complete contract negotiations on two other facilities in the fourth quarter (Hartford, Conn. and Monroe County, N.Y.) which will provide construction backlog for 1991 and new operations in 1992. Schorr stated that the new plastics division has been adversely affected by deteriorating general economic conditions, which are not expected to improve until the second quarter of 1991. On a stand-alone basis, this division is expected to break even for 1990.

Resource Recycling Technologies, Inc. is a vertically integrated organization dedicated to the advancement of recycling programs and technologies, and the development of new markets for secondary materials.

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BINGHAMTON, NY (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Resource Recycling Technologies, Inc. (AMEX: RRT), Lawrence J. Schorr, president, announced today that the company has received notice from the Bank of New York, the senior lender to International Seaway Trading Corp. (f/k/a Spitz Corp. and the maker of certain purchase money promissory notes, which have a total balance due of $1.925 million at Sept. 30, 1990 payable to the company in connection with the 1988 leveraged buyout of its former shoe business assets) that ISTC is in technical default to the bank and therefore no current payments may be paid to the company under the notes. The company will be meeting with the bank to discuss the situation. Reserves, if any are subsequently determined to be necessary for losses on the notes, will be recorded in the fourth quarter. Although the company does not anticipate any adverse cash flow impact to its current operations, in the event such reserve is deemed necessary, a material adverse impact on earnings and book value may result from such a reserve.

Resource Recycling Technologies, Inc. is a vertically integrated organization dedicated to the advancement of recycling programs and technologies and the development of new markets for secondary materials.

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#90311p4142 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Lancaster Colony Corporation (NASDAQ: LANC) today reported that sales were up slightly, but earnings were off slightly in the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with results for the corresponding three months a year ago.

Net income amounted to $5,545,000 on sales of $128.8 million compared to $5,924,000 on sales of $127.2 million last year. Earnings per share were 48 cents vs. 50 cents.

John B. Gerlach, president of Lancaster Colony, said the sales increase was produced by the food operations which "continue very strong, and we expect our food group to have a record year in both sales and profits."

He noted that sales and earnings were down in consumer glassware and candles due primarily to later shipping dates this year. He added that he is encouraged by orders for candles and glass which exceed last year's levels.

Gerlach said, "While we continue to see a very soft economy in most areas, we expect a good second quarter partially due to the shift in volume from the first quarter." He went on to say, "We expect the full 1991 fiscal year to show improvement over fiscal 1990."

LANCASTER COLONY CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY OF SALES AND EARNINGS
(UNAUDITED)

Three Months Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
Net sales	$128,775,000	$127,200,000
Income before income taxes	$8,911,000	$9,531,000
Provision for income taxes	$3,366,000	$3,607,000
Net income	$ 5,545,000	$ 5,924,000
Earnings per common share (a)	$ .48	$ .50
Cash dividends per common share	$ .19	$ .18
Weighted average common shares outstanding	11,586,842	11,917,046

(A) - Based on weighted average number of shares outstanding during each period.

SUBJECT TO YEAR-END AUDIT.

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#90311p4143 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Barnett Banks (NYSE: BBI) today announced its intent to purchase a new system for processing checks that will significantly enhance customer service, improve productivity and provide the technological foundation for developing new products.

Barnett will be the first bank in Georgia or Florida and among the first in the nation to install the Unisys Infolmage Item Processing System (IIPS). This system is a major step forward in the technology for processing checks and other payment instruments.

As Florida's leading bank with almost 24 percent of the state's banking deposits, Barnett currently processes more than 3 million checks a day and expects that number to increase significantly.

By investing in imaging technology, Barnett will be able to eliminate the repetitive physical handling of documents, providing the opportunity for significant advances in customer service and productivity.

"As one of the first banks in the United States to adopt imaging technology for check processing, Barnett is leading the way in the banking community," said Jonathan Palmer, executive vice president in charge of technology and operations. "We are confident that implementation of the Unisys imaging solution will enhance our position as Florida's leading commercial bank.

"This investment of over $15 million in advanced technology represents a significant step by Barnett to offer the latest and most effective solutions to our customers," he added.

Image check processing involves creating a computer digitized picture of the check and processing that image rather than the check itself. This computer image will be made avilable through any Barnett office, providing instant access to customers and avoiding the need to physically sort through files to retrieve checks. It also eliminates other costly handling of checks, which are currently handled an average of six times in processing before being returned in the customer's bank statement.

"We expect image check processing to increase productivity and reduce errors, resulting in lower processing cost per check and better customer service," said Steve Milstid, executive director of systems development. "In the near future, Barnett customers will get even more benefit from imaging technology when we provide them with image statements. Instead of checks, customers will get high-quality picture images of checks paid during the statement period. This will eliminate the need to send checks themselves, reducing the weight of a statement package, thereby reducing mailing costs and helping to keep down customer fees."

With $31.4 billion in assets and 590 offices in Florida and Georgia, Barnett is the leading financial institution in Florida and the 20th largest in the country.

CONTACT: Bob Stickler, 904-791-5437 (office) or 904-396-9284 (home); or Russ Hoadley, 904-791-5013 (office) or 904-260-4658 (home), both of Barnett Banks, Inc.

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#90311p4144 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

EVANSVILLE, IN (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: SIG) reported earnings per share of $1.05 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to 99 cents in 1989.

Increases in retail electric sales and wholesale electric sales, up three percent and 44 percent, respectively, were offset by scheduled maintenance project expenditures at one of the company's major generating stations and increases in other operating expenses causing income from electric operations to remain flat for the quarter.

Income from gas operations was approximately the same for the quarter, reflecting little change in gas sales. Increases in earnings per share were primarily the result of repurchases of the company's common stock as part of its common stock repurchase program.

For the first nine months of 1990, earnings per share were up 17 cents from the same period in 1989. Improved electric sales were offset by scheduled maintenance project expenditures which caused a slight decrease in income from electric operations while income from gas operations increased due to improved margins on gas sales.

Also, contributing to the increase in earnings per share were repurchases of the company's common stock as part of its common stock repurchase program.

Earnings per share of $2.97 for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990 represents a 4.6 percent increase compared to the prior period of $2.84. The increase is attributed to improved electric sales, better margins on gas sales, an increased customer base and repurchases of the company's common stock, all partially offset by increased plant maintenance expenditures.

SOUTHERN INDIANA GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

Three Months Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	$79,679,264	$75,021,271
NET INCOME (Before preferred dividends)	$12,909,187	$12,640,552
EARNINGS PER SHARE	$1.05	$.99

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	$251,657,033	$234,593,224
NET INCOME (Before preferred dividends)	$34,076,317	$32,687,706
EARNINGS PER SHARE	$2.72	$2.55

Twelve Months Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	$328,605,835	$305,270,014
NET INCOME (Before preferred dividends)	$37,604,324	$36,659,114
EARNINGS PER SHARE	$2.97	$2.84

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#90311p4145 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

PETROMINERALS CORPORATION REPORTS THIRD-QUARTER EARNINGS OF $204,000

TUSTIN, CA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Petrominerals Corp. (NASDAQ: PTRO) today announced results for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues for the period were $1,979,000, compared to $1,695,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income for the quarter increased to $204,000, or 3 cents per share,

compared to $25,000 or $.00 per share for the same period last year.

Commenting on the favorable results, Everett L. Hodges, chief executive officer, stated, "Production revenues were positively impacted during the quarter due to the explosion of world oil prices. As a result, gross margins from oil production activity for the third quarter increased by 85 percent over the same period last year."

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $5,405,000, versus $4,828,000, for the same period last year. Net income for the period was $142,000 or 2 cents per share, versus a net loss of $258,000 or 3 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

During the third quarter the average daily production was 397 compared to 406 barrels for the third quarter of 1989. "Our daily production rate decreased due to the performance of necessary well maintenance that will allow more efficient production activities in the future. As a result of this maintenance, operating expenses for oil and gas production increased 25 percent as compared to the third quarter of 1989," said Hodges.

The average price Petrominerals received for its crude oil during the third quarter increased 29 percent to $17.26 as compared to the average price of $12.27 for the third quarter of 1989.

Due to increases in world oil prices, activity at Lunn Production Service, a division of Petrominerals Corp., increased approximately 6 percent during the quarter. Operating expenses at Lunn increased as a result of repair and maintenance costs. During the third quarter of 1990, Lunn Production Service purchased two well servicing rigs, which are currently under contract with major oil companies.

Petrominerals Corp. engages in the production and marketing of crude oil and natural gas in California and Louisiana. Lunn Production Service, a division of Petrominerals Corp., services and maintains oil and gas wells for a number of major oil companies.

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#90311p4147 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CONCORD, MASS. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Stardent Computer, Inc. has relocated its corporate headquarters to 521 Virginia Rd. in Corcord, Mass. The 60,000-square-foot facility houses research and development, marketing, finance, administration, customer service and the northeast east sales office.

The move ends a four-month-long search for a new headquarters following the company's announcement that the west coast facilities would relocate to the east coast. Since its founding in 1985 as Stellar Computer, Stardent's headquarters were in Newton, Mass.

According to Dave Rowe, Stardent's chief financial officer, "The Concord facility met all of our criteria for new headquarters, specifically, it's easily accessible from major highways, it's economical and there is room to grow. Most importantly, we are the sole tenant which gives us the added boost of having our own facility rather than a multi-tenant situation."

Stardent Computer Inc. is the leading developer and marketer of visualization systems. These include desktop and deskside graphics supercomputers, departmental supercomputers and visualization software. The company markets the leading interactive 3D visualization environment, AVS, which runs on Stardent systems and has been licensed to run on many other hardware platforms.

Stardent's products are marketed to government, commercial and research accounts in mechanical computer-aided engineering, computer-aided molecular design, computational fluid dynamics, geophysical analysis, animation and visual simulation, econometric modeling, scientific research and image processing.

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#90311p4153 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

JERICHO, NY (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Getty Petroleum Corp. (NYSE: GTY), through its wholly owned subsidiary, Kingston Oil Supply Corp., today purchased the assets of Labone Petroleum Sales Corp., d/b/a Greene County Oil and Gas, for an undisclosed price.

Labone Petroleum Sales Corp., headquartered in Cairo, N.Y., is a supplier of propane and heating oil to residential and commercial accounts in the Mid Hudson Valley area of New York.

According to David Motzkin, vice president of Kingston Oil Supply Corp., the purchase of these assets follows the company's strategy for continued growth in product sales and service in their marketing areas.

Getty Petroleum Corp., one of the nation's largest independent marketers of gasoline and petroleum products, markets in a 13-state area, Maine through Virginia. The company is also a major marketer of heating oil and is a wholesale distributor of a variety of petroleum products through its East Coast petroleum storage and distribution network.

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#90311p4154 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAGINAW, MI (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Wolohan Lumber Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: WLHN) said its sales for October were up 1.0 percent to $27,220,000 from $26,956,000 for October 1989. Same-store sales were down 5.5 percent.

Ten-month sales were up 8.9 percent to $255,043,000 from $234,173,000 for the same period of 1989. Same-store sales were up 2.7 percent.

Wolohan Lumber Co. is a publicly held company operating 51 lumber and building material retail stores in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Missouri, and Wisconsin.

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#90311p4156 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOKYO (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Emery Worldwide announced today a streamlining of its international organization with all six of its offshore area officers reporting directly to the air freight carrier's newly appointed chairman and chief executive officer, Arthur C. Bass.

According to Bass, the reorganization is aimed at ensuring more rapid response to increased customer needs for moving shipments to and from the United States as well as between all sectors of the company's global network. It also will provide international shippers with customs brokerage, distribution, banking and consular services.

In making the announcement at a press conference here, Bass stressed that the reorganization is in direct response to Emery's continuing emergence as one of the most important air express and freight carriers throughout the world, especially for handling shipments between various intercontinental "freight lanes."

"Much of Emery's potential for the future is here in Japan, specifically, and internationally, in general," Bass said. "While we have a long history of conducting business internationally, we strongly believe this will be a most significant area of continuing growth. By reporting directly to me, our international organization will be able to respond quickly to customer needs in the very competitive global marketplace."

Bass also announced that Brian Costar, former vice president - international, has been transferred, at his request, to Auckland, New Zealand, where he is serving as vice president - Pacific Sector.

Emery is a diversified air freight company specializing in the delivery of urgent envelopes and small parcels as well as heavy freight. Emery's international structure consist of six geographic sectors, including Emery Worldwide, Japan, a wholly owned subsidiary with Yutaka Saito serving as president. The other sectors are Asia; the Pacific; Europe; the United Kingdom Africa, and the Middle East; and Latin America.

"As a pioneer in establishing international air freight operations over 31 years ago, we are especially proud of our 25-year record in Japan, the success of which was reflected recently when Emery was awarded more than half of this year's cargo charter flights by the U.S. Department of Transportation," Bass stated.

Emery Worldwide, based in Palo Alto, Calif., is a subsidiary of Consolidated Freightways, Inc. (NYSE: CNF), a $4-billion diversified transportation company with businesses in long-haul and regional trucking, air freight, ocean container freight and intermodal rail service.

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#90311p4157 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSING, MI (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Marking another important step toward becoming the No. 1 customer-caring car company, Oldsmobile announced that the hearing- and speech-impaired may now contact the division's nationwide customer-assistance network using TDD (Telecommunication Device for the Deaf) equipment.

A TDD user makes a call by dialing 1-800-TDD-OLDS and then places the receiver on a TDD coupler. When the phone is answered, the user types a message onto a display screen and the call is transferred to Oldsmobile's TDD-equipped customer-assistance network.

To receive a call, a ringing or flashing signal alerts the user, who places the receiver on his or her TDD coupler. A message will then appear on the display screen and the user can type a response on the TDD keyboard.

"All of us at Oldsmobile have vowed to become the No. 1 customer caring car company," said Ivan Stebbins, assistant general sales manager for service. "This new toll-free number for the hearing- and speech-impaired marks another important step in that goal."

Oldsmobile also has toll-free numbers for customers that do not require the use of TDD equipment. Oldsmobile customers may dial 1-800-442-OLDS for questions or concerns about their vehicle and anyone interested in obtaining

more information about Oldsmobile, including sales brochures, can now call 1-800-242-OLDS.

"We are absolutely committed to customer satisfaction, and these new toll-free numbers will make us more responsive than ever to all our present and future customers," added Stebbins.

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BRYN MAWR, PA. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - On Sept. 13, Philadelphia Suburban Corp. (NYSE: PSC) announced a strategy to concentrate its future activities on water services.

In this connection, PSC said it intends to dispose of its non-water services businesses consisting of its information services, telemarketing, and energy engineering and software operations.

PSC today reported earnings from continuing operations in the third quarter of $1.8 million or $.24 per share, compared to $2.8 million or $.37 per share in the same period of 1989. For the nine months, earnings from continuing operations were $5.6 million or $.74 per share, compared to earnings of $7.3 million or $1 per share for the same period last year. For the third quarter, the operations to be discontinued reported a loss of $2.8 million or $.36 per share, compared to a loss of $.1 million or $.02 per share in the same period in the prior year. For the nine months, the discontinued operations lost $3.7 million or $.49 per share, compared to a loss of $1.6 million or $.23 per share in the same period of 1989.

The combined activities lost $.9 million or $.12 per share for the quarter, as compared to a profit of $2.7 million or $.35 per share in 1989. For the nine months, the combined activities had a profit of $1.9 million or $.25 per share as compared to a profit for the same period in 1989 of $5.7 million or $.77 per share. The results of operations for the quarter and nine months include the previously announced special charge for the write-off of software and other assets of $2.6 million or $.34 per share, of which $1.9 million or $.25 per share related to the discontinued operations.

Revenues from continuing operations in the third quarter were $26 million compared to $25 million for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months, revenues from continuing operations were $76.5 million compared to $72 million for the same period a year ago.

Philadelphia Suburban Corp. operates Philadelphia Suburban Water Co., one of the nation's largest investor-owned water utilities, as well as four non-regulated operating subsidiaries that provide information and engineering

services mainly to utility and municipal customers.

CONTACT: Roy H. Stahl, vice president and general counsel of Philadelphia Suburban, 215-645-1035

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EXETER, N.H. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Tyco Laboratories, Inc. (NYSE: TYC) reported today that net income in its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 reached an all-time high $35.0 million or 79 cents per share. This compares to the $27.7 million or 68 cents per share earned in the same period last year. Sales for the first quarter reached a record $741.2 million vs. $512.6 million a year ago.

First quarter sales and profits increased at the Fire Protection/ Flow Control segment. These increases resulted from the inclusion in this year's quarter of Wormald's Fire Protection operations since the date of their acquisition on Aug. 2, 1990 and good performances at Grinnell's Fire Protection and Flow Control operations.

Tyco's Packaging Materials group added to the performance as Ludlow made a strong contribution with higher sales and earnings levels compared to the year earlier quarter. Armin's results were lower than last year because of higher raw material prices, caused by the Middle East crisis, and its inability to completely pass on to its customers the full amount of these increases.

The company's Electrical and Electronic Components segment also contributed to the record first quarter results. Both Simplex Wire & Cable Company and Tyco's Printed Circuit Board Group reported higher earnings vs. the year earlier period.

Also, as previously announced, the company has changed its fiscal year end to June 30, beginning with fiscal 1991. Accordingly, comparative results for the year earlier fiscal quarter have been restated to reflect the new quarterly period.

Tyco is a worldwide manufacturer of fire protection/flow control systems, electrical and electronic components and packaging materials.

CONTACT: Irving Gutin, senior vice president of Tyco Laboratories, 603-778-9700

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AGORDO, ITALY (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Luxottica Group S.p.A. (NYSE: LUX) today announced its results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30,

1990. The company's results, as presented herein, are in accordance with U.S. GAAP, and all dollar amounts are calculated at an exchange rate of $1.00 equals Lire 1170.7 in effect on Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter increased 14.6 percent to Lire 82,269 million (U.S. $70.3 million) from Lire 71,774 million (U.S. $61.3 million) in the third quarter last year. Net income was Lire 9,486 million (U.S. $8.1 million) compared with Lire 10,252 million (U.S. $8.7 million) in the comparable quarter last year. Earnings per American Depositary Share (ADS) for the third quarter of 1990 were Lire 421, equivalent to approximately $0.36.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales increased 16.6 percent to Lire 264,631 million (U.S. $226.0 million) from Lire 226,877 million in the first nine months of last year. Net income rose 16 percent to Lire 35,858 million (U.S. $30.6 million) compared with Lire 30,860 million in the comparable period last year. Earnings per ADS for the first nine months of 1990 were Lire 1,592, equivalent to approximately $1.36.

Commenting on the results, Leonardo Del Vecchio, founder of Luxottica Group and chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, "The quarterly results are in line with our projections and budgets. As usual, the third quarter was characterized by the shutdown of our industrial facilities for a month of summer holiday. Nevertheless, Luxottica succeeded in expanding sales, particularly outside of the United States."

Luxottica reported that since the beginning of the year the volume of eyeglass frames sold increased by about 12 percent to over 6.7 million frames. Designer lines accounted for about 27 percent of total sales. On a geographical basis, U.S. sales accounted for slightly less than half of total revenues, while Italy and the rest of the world accounted for 20 percent and 30 percent of sales, respectively.

The third quarter profit and loss figures have been affected by the unfavorable exchange rates of the dollar to the lira. Gross profit for the quarter rose 11.5 percent to Lire 55,158 million compared to Lire 49,491 in the year-ago period. Income before taxes decreased 7.2 percent to Lire 17,139 million versus Lire 18,478 during the third quarter of last year.

Luxottica Group is a world leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of high quality eyeglass frames in the mid- and premium-priced categories. The company's products which are designed and manufactured in four facilities in Italy, and include over 850 styles available in a wide array of colors and sizes.

CONTACT: Susi Belli, director of investor relations of Luxottica Group, 011-39-437-62941; or Felicia Vonella of Dewe Rogerson Inc., (212) 688-6840, for Luxottica.

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#90311p4167 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwest Airlines Co. (NYSE: LUV) announced today that its October 1990 traffic increased 8.0 percent to 825.4 million revenue passenger miles (RPMs) from the 1989 level of 764.5 million RPMs. Available seat miles (ASMs) increased 8.7 percent to 1,439.6 million from the October 1989 level of 1,324.6 million. The load factor for the month was 57.3 percent, down .4 points from last year's load factor of 57.7 percent.

For the first 10 months of 1990, Southwest flew 8,389.7 million RPMs, compared with 7,828.3 million RPMs recorded for the same period in 1989, an increase of 7.2 percent. Available seat miles increased 10.7 percent to 13,660.9 million from the 1989 year-to-date level of 12,341.3 million. The 1990 year-to-date load factor was 61.4 percent, compared to 63.4 percent for the same period last year, a decrease of 2.0 points.

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO.
Comparative Traffic Statistics

	OCTOBER		
	1990	1989	PCT. INCR.
Revenue passengers carried	1,666,133	1,571,144	6.0
Revenue passenger miles	825,384,206	764,536,485	8.0
Available seat miles	1,439,551,160	1,324,630,359	8.7
Load factor	57.3 pct.	57.7 pct.	(0.4)pts.
Average length of haul	495	487	1.6
Trips flown	29,815	27,135	9.9

	YEAR-TO-DATE		
	1990	1989	PCT. INCR.
Revenue passengers carried	16,666,343	15,027,756	10.9
Revenue passenger miles	8,389,728,728	7,828,278,122	7.2
Available seat miles	13,660,862,139	12,341,302,912	10.7
Load factor	61.4 pct.	63.4 pct.	(2.0)pts.
Average length of haul	503	521	(3.5)
Trips flown	281,283	254,476	10.5

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#90311p4168 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ABBOTT PARK, ILL. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Abbott Laboratories (NYSE: ABT) has introduced a new diagnostic test for managing breast cancer patients. Recently approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, the product helps physicians determine a patient's prognosis and her prospects for response to hormonal therapy.

The new Abbott test measures the amount of progesterone receptor in cancerous tissue. Abbott, world leader in diagnostics and the leading supplier of cancer monitoring tests, has a similar product on the market that measures estrogen receptors.

Estrogen and progesterone receptors are protein molecules located in the cell nucleus. They bind tightly to the hormones estradiol and progesterone. Upon binding, the receptor/hormone complex stimulates cell growth. In receptor rich tumors, hormonal therapy inhibits growth.

"It is generally accepted medical practice that all breast tumors should be tested for estrogen and progesterone receptors prior to the selection of therapy," said David V. Milligan, Ph.D., vice president of diagnostic products R&D at Abbott. "Since most tumors that respond to hormonal therapy contain small amounts of estrogen or progesterone receptors, the clinician needs to know if the cancer is receptor rich or receptor poor."

The receptor status of a breast tumor can help predict if the cancer will respond to hormonal manipulation. Women with early-stage cancers that are progesterone or estrogen receptor positive, in most cases, have a favorable prognosis for successful therapy, according to Milligan. For those with advanced breast cancer, a response to hormonal therapy can be expected in up to 60 percent of cases when the cancer is receptor positive. However, in cases where the tumor is receptor negative, the response rate to hormonal therapy is only 20 percent.

Abbott Laboratories is a worldwide manufacturer of health care products employing 42,000 people. In 1989, the company's sales and net earnings were $5.4 billion and $860 million, respectively, with earnings per share of $1.93.

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NIAGARA FALLS, NY (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Sevenson Environmental Services Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SEVN) announced today that it has been awarded a $4.4 million contract under the EPA's Alternative Remedial Contracting Strategy Program (ARCS) for cleanup work at the Pinette's Salvage Yard Superfund site in Washburn, Maine.

The Pinette's site is an automobile salvage yard. In 1979 a portion of the site was used to dismantle electrical transformers. In the dismantling process transformer fluids containing PCBs were spilled on the ground.

Sevenson's contract includes the excavation and off-site incineration of approximately 500 tons of the most highly PCB contaminated soil. Another 2,800

tons of soil with lower PCB-contamination will be treated on-site using a solvent extraction process. Spent solvent and extraced PCB contamination from the process will be incinerated off site.

Project work will begin this year and be completed by the end of 1991. Sevenson provides a comprehensive range of field services for the remediation of sites and facilities contaminated by hazardous materials.

The company, which is headquartered in Niagara Falls, N.Y., operates in the United States and Canada. Since entering the site remediation business in 1979 the company has performed over 250 projects including projects at the Love Canal and at other Superfund sites.

CONTACT: William J. McDermott, vice president for finance of Sevenson Environmental Services, (716) 284-0431.

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#90311p4180 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SYRACUSE, NY (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Carlisle Companies Incorporated (NYSE: CSL) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 31 cents a share.

The dividend is payable December 3, 1990 to stockholders of record November 19 1990.

CONTACT: James Pineau, controller of Carlisle Companies, (315) 474-2500.

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#90311p4181 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled a meeting for Nov. 20, 1990, with the Rochester Gas and Electric Company (RG&E) to review the Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) report covering operation of RG&E's R.E. Ginna nuclear power plant between June 1, 1989, and Sept. 30, 1990.

The meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. in the Ginna Training Center, at the site, in Ontario, N.Y. The public is invited to observe the meeting.

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#90311p4183 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Alan J. Hirschfield and Allan R. Tessler, co-chief executives of Financial News Network Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FNNIE) and Infotechnology, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ITCHE), which owns 47 percent of FNN, today

announced that based on preliminary reviews of the financial and operating status of the companies, they will recommend offering for sale the companies' principal operations.

In order to effect the most valuable and timely transactions for both the creditors and the shareholders of FNN and Infotech, the investment banking firm of Wertheim Schroder & Co., Inc. has been retained. Wertheim Schroder is internationally known for its expertise in media property mergers, acquisitions and divestitures.

Hirschfield and Tessler stated: "Wertheim has confirmed for us that FNN remains a very valuable franchise, and is one of the top 10 leading cable programming networks in the country. To date, indications of interest in buying FNN have been received from many of the major national and international media companies. Even during this difficult period, FNN continues to increase its subscriber base and gross revenues. More than 80 percent of its subscribers are under long-term contracts at increasing subscriber rates."

"We also believe that FNN's market data companies are quite valuable franchises, and many inquiries have been received regarding their sale. The companies' investment bankers expect to have available, in the near future, offering memoranda for prospective purchasers of FNN and the other businesses. They hope to receive acceptable offers and to conclude negotiations of the contracts for such sales by year end," Hirschfield and Tessler added. The CEOs noted that at this preliminary stage in the sales process there can be no assurance that any such sales will be completed.

"We believe the prices that FNN and Infotech businesses are anticipated to command could satisfy the companies' financial obligations," they continued.

FNN currently has outstanding approximately $49.5 million principal amount of bank loans and approximately $88 million of equipment lease obligations. Infotech currently has outstanding approximately $20.7 million principal amount of bank loans.

"Discussions with our banks are ongoing," stated Hirschfield and Tessler. "We hope to obtain a 90-day moratorium on interest and principal payments and on any defaults. Furthermore, we have met with representatives of substantially all of the lessors of equipment to the companies and are currently in negotiations with them to obtain a 90-day moratorium on all leasing payments. Although there can be no assurance that we will obtain these moratoriums, we remain optimistic about both of these negotiations."

The chief executives also noted that serious interest has been expressed by several parties in the purchase of Infotech's 97 percent owned United Press International, and/or some of its lines of business.

Hirschfield and Tessler added: "As a result of recent contract cancellations and other ongoing factors, UPI currently has a substantial negative monthly cash flow. It has been necessary to make some painful decisions regarding layoffs and reduced compensation to continuing employees, in order for UPI to remain in business until suitable purchasers are identified."

FNN and Infotech previously announced that operating cash flows at the companies were insufficient to meet operating expenses or to cover maturing obligations with respect to the bank loans of the two companies and FNN's lease obligations. Hirschfield and Tessler said: "Following the streamlining measures currently being implemented at the companies, we believe cash flows will fall more closely in line with costs. However, the companies may require additional cash availability during the contemplated sales process."

Hirschfield and Tessler commented: "Overall, we are satisfied by the progress we have made since the boards of directors appointed us on October 24, at preserving the values of the FNN and Infotech businesses. No one is ever pleased with the hard realities of streamlining a business, but when such steps are necessary to ensure the very viability of the companies, they must be done," the CEOs continued. "Our primary objective is to maintain the substantial franchise value of FNN. To do this requires making the necessary overhead reductions that enable the great majority of our employees to remain on the job," they added.

Hirschfield and Tessler added: "We are distressed by many of the unfounded rumors surrounding current events at the companies. First and foremost, any and all allegations concerning fraud or misappropriation of funds at the companies have been, and are being, taken extremely seriously by the boards of directors and have been, or are being, thoroughly investigated by the companies' outside auditors. In addition, the companies are cooperating with the Securities and Exchange Commission's inquiries that we have previously disclosed. To date, inquiries by a special committee of the board of FNN, assisted by auditors and legal counsel, have found only one incident in which company funds were improperly paid and not properly identified on the books of the company. That incident, previously disclosed by FNN, involved the receipt by FNN's former chief financial officer of compensation payments, which were not properly authorized, in the approximate amount of $795,000."

FNN and Infotech collectively own 51 percent of The Learning Channel. In addition to its interest in FNN and UPI, Infotech owns 51 percent of Shark Information Services Corporation, the other 49 percent of which is owned by FNN, and has investments in a number of other media, communications and biotechnology companies.

Infotechnology, Inc. is an integrated communications and information company positioned to meet the needs of businesses and consumers with fast, easy-to-use information products of economic value to its customers.

Financial News Network provides three services to more than 35 million homes on 3,500 cable systems throughout the United States and Canada. The television programming services are FNN:BUSINESS (business news and personal financial management) and FNN:SPORTS (sports information and news), and its market data service is FNN:Data Broadcasting (stock quotes and market information to personal computers). FNN also operates a business radio network.

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BUFFALO, N.Y. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - With five of its nine car lines showing improvements, Ford Motor Company's Lincoln-Mercury Division registered a slight year-over-year increase in October sales in the area.

Lincoln Continental's 35 percent year-over-year increase led the list, with Lincoln Mark VII, Lincoln Town Car, Mercury Sable and Mercury Grand Marquis also showing gains. The newly introduced Mercury Capri contributed to the increase.

For the month -- although overall division sales were lower -- the Grand Marquis showed a strong 59 percent sales increase, along with increases in Mark VII and Mercury Tracer.

The Ford Division sales story for the year continues to be the new Explorer compact sport utility vehicle, which is responsible for a 31 percent year-to-date improvement for the division in that segment of the market.

Ford Aerostar played a strong supporting role, with a 7 percent increase so far in 1990. Both trucks also were up in October, compared to a year ago. On the passenger car side, Ford Crown Victoria showed a year-to-year increase.

Nationally, Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) sales were down somewhat for the calendar year, although the final 10-day period of October exhibited a strong increase, with total vehicles sales up 9.2 percent (cars up 12.1; trucks up 5.2).

Roger Olsen, Ford Division's Buffalo District sales manager, said, "Explorer sales in October were nearly double last year's Bronco II sales. Together with the strong showing by the Aerostar, that performance has helped us maintain our momentum in the face of a very tough market."

Steve Robida, sales manager for Lincoln-Mercury's New York District, added, "We are continuing to see strong improvement in the Tracer, along with continuing strength in our luxury cars. Nationally, October was the first

month since February 1989 that the Tracer and Escort both had sales increases over their year-ago levels. The Tracer results nationally were mirrored in Buffalo area sales, which showed Tracer up 17 percent for October."

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#90311p4187 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - ADC Telecommunications, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADCT) today estimated record sales and orders for the quarter and year ended Oct. 31 1990.

Estimated sales of $71.7 million for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, represented a 22 percent increase over the $59.0 million recorded in the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989. Estimated orders of $76.1 million for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, were 18 percent higher than the $64.6 million recorded in the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989.

For the year ended Oct. 31, 1990, estimated sales were $259.8 million, compared to $196.4 million for the year ended Oct. 31, 1989, reflecting a 32 percent increase. Estimated orders of $265.4 million for the year ended Oct. 31, 1990 were 29 percent greater than the $206.4 million in orders reported for the year ended Oct. 31, 1989.

The quarter and year ended Oct. 31, 1990 include estimated sales and orders for Kentrox Industries, Inc. (Kentrox), purchased by ADC in July 1989, and American Lightwave Systems (ALS), purchased by ADC in July 1990.

Due to the timing of these acquisitions, sales and orders amounts for Kentrox are included in 1989 results for only four months and no ALS amounts are included in 1989 results. Final sales, orders and earnings for 1990 will be announced in mid-December.

ADC Telecommunications, Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets a wide variety of circuit management devices, transmission products, and network management systems used by telephone companies, broadcast networks, and large private telecommunications networks.

NOTE: All amounts are estimated as of Nov. 7, 1990.

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#90311p4188 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The United States and Turkey today signed a new bilateral aviation agreement that provides significant economic

opportunities for the airlines of both countries.

Under the agreement, signed by Secretary of Transportation Samuel K. Skinner and Turkish Minister of Transportation and Communications Cengiz Tuncer, Turkey will eliminate restrictions on U.S. air transport services between Europe and Turkey.

"This agreement provides opportunities for the airlines of both countries to expand and develop the U.S.-Turkey air market, leading to increases in passenger travel and air cargo trade between the two countries" Skinner said. "We also expect it will encourage U.S. airlines to increase their promotion of Turkey to the U.S. tourism industry and the American public, leading to more Americans traveling to Turkey."

Major provisions in the document state that each country may designate one or more airlines to operate between the U.S. and Turkey, and neither country may unilaterally restrict capacity, frequency, or type of aircraft used. In addition, each country's airlines may establish sales offices in the other country.

There are several "first-time provisions" in the agreement, which: -- Provide for a separate route for all-cargo services, permitting each country three points of its choice. For combination services, the U.S. has rights to Ankara, Istanbul and Izmir, and Turkey can choose three U.S. points.

-- Cover charters, which are subject to the rules of the country in which the traffic originates.

-- Contain the U.S. model computer reservation systems (CRS) language, to assure non-discrimination within and competition among CRS systems.

Pan American World Airways has operated service to Turkey since l947 and presently flies from New York to Istanbul and Ankara via Frankfurt. Trans World Airlines, which started service to Turkey in September l988, operates between New York and Istanbul via Frankfurt. Turk Hava Yollari (THY) introduced its U.S. service in August l988 and operates between New York and Istanbul via Brussels.

CONTACT: Roslyn Kaiser of the U.S. Department of Transportation, 202-366-5571.

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#90311p4196 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - E. Gordon Gee has been elected a director of Banc One Corporation (NYSE: ONE), it was announced today by John B. McCoy, chairman and chief executive officer of Banc One Corporation.

E. Gordon Gee is president of The Ohio State University, which includes a

central campus in Columbus, and regional campuses in Lima, Mansfield, Marion, Newark, and Wooster, Ohio. The University's total enrollment is more than 60,000.

Prior to becoming the eleventh president of The Ohio State University in Sept. 1990, Gee had served as president of University of Colorado since July 1985. He had been president of West Virginia University from Nov. 1981 until mid-1985 and had served as dean and professor of the university's College of Law from 1979 until 1981. Prior to that, Gee had been with J. Reuben Clark Law School of Brigham Young University for four years where he served as associate dean and professor. In 1974-75, Gee was a judicial fellow and senior staff assistant for the Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court and from 1973-74, he was assistant dean for administration at University of Utah College of Law.

Gee, 46, received a bachelor's degree in history from the University of Utah in 1968. He then received a law degree in 1971 and a doctorate in education in 1972 from Columbia University. A recipient of honors in the field of law and education, Gee also serves on numerous boards and commissions, including the board of directors of the American Council on Education, the Advisory Council of Presidents to the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges; and the Corporate Board of the Central Ohio Council, Boy Scouts of America. He is married, has one daughter and resides in Bexley, Ohio.

Banc One Chairman McCoy said, "With Gordon Gee's outstanding academic background and professional career, he will be an important addition to Banc One's board of directors." The addition of E. Gordon Gee increases the board of directors of Banc One Corporation to thirteen members.

Banc One Corporation has assets of $28.4 billion and operates 51 affiliate banking organizations with 747 offices in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Texas and Wisconsin.

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#90311p4199 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, FLA. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - American soldiers soon will have a new portable filmless camera system supplied by Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) that enables them to transmit clear photographs from remote locations to headquarters via radio waves -- within seconds.

The U.S. Army Communications Electronics Command recently awarded Harris RF Communications Group a $5.4 million contract for an electronic filmless camera system (EFCS). Under the contract, Harris will integrate and supply 126 manportable transmission systems and 36 base stations to receive the still images from remote locations around the world.

The system will allow soldiers to take digital still images without film and rapidly transmit them over HF, UHF and VHF radios or telephone lines. Using the filmless camera and portable terminals, soldiers can send pictures, text, voice and data from remote locations anywhere in the world, and transmit them back to headquarters operations.

Harris' EFCS is based on new, commercial still-video camera technology and the company's existing line of image data transmitters, known as Digital Video Imaging Transmission System (DVITS). DVITS combines the capabilities of still-frame image transmission, image processing and radio communications in one unit.

Harris RF Communications Group, located in Rochester, N.Y., is a world leader in the design, manufacture, installation and support of advanced HF, VHF and UHF radio equipment, digital video imaging transmission systems, turnkey systems and networks.

Harris Corporation, with worldwide sales of more than $3 billion, is focused on four major businesses: Electronic systems, semiconductors, communications and office equipment.

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WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Ingersoll-Rand Company's (NYSE: IR) board of directors today declared a quarterly dividend of 33 cents per common share, payable Dec. 3, to shareholders of record on Nov. 20, 1990.

Ingersoll-Rand has paid dividends on its common shares every year since 1910.

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#90311p4206 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - As the nation once again focuses on the importance of fuel efficiency and its dependence on foreign oil, Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) continues on a course it established more than 10 years ago.

"The American auto industry was hit hard in the last oil crisis," said Robert A. Lutz, president of Chrysler Motors. "Consequently, Chrysler vowed at that time to be ready for any fluctuation in oil prices with a solid strategy that is flexible enough to offer fuel- efficient powertrains that respond to a

variety of efficiency demands, and most importantly, respond to what customers want."

Today, Lutz said that means providing customers a choice of 4- or 6-cylinder engines on almost every car in the fleet.

"Since 1975, Chrysler has doubled its corporate fuel efficiency by downsizing vehicles, reducing vehicle weight and switching to front- wheel-drive passenger vehicles. All of our engines, thanks to a myriad of continual improvements, run more efficiently than their predecessors," said Lutz.

Arguably, no single area has provided more headway to improving overall vehicle efficiency than powertrain development. "The most significant powertrain improvement has been increasing engine efficiency with a number of technological advancements, chief of which has been changing from carburetors to fuel injection," said Chris Theodore, executive engineer of Powertrain Engineering.

Fuel injection is a more efficient fuel delivery method than carburetors and electronic fuel injection is even more refined than mechanical. The two types of electronic fuel injection are multi-point fuel injection (MPI) and throttle-body fuel injection (TBI). MPI operates with a separate injection nozzle for each cylinder, making it the most efficient form of fuel injection on the market today. TBI, on the other hand, has one nozzle at the top of the throttle body. With only one exception (5.9 liter V-8 carbureted Jeep Grand Wagoneer engine), all of Chrysler's engines are fuel injected with the majority utilizing MPI.

Typically, today's customers demand more performance with a high level of efficiency and Chrysler has responded with engines that produce more power and miles per gallon than many of its competitors.

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#90311p4207 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - MinVen Gold Corp. (AMEX: MVG) today announces that voters in South Dakota rejected a proposed anti-mining initiative in state-wide elections held yesterday. The initiative would have restricted the amount of land available for open-pit gold mining operations in the Black Hills of South Dakota. These results represent the third defeat of anti-mining initiatives in the State of South Dakota in the last four years.

"The defeat of the initiative is a significant vote of confidence by the public for the responsible mining practices now employed by the various companies operating in the State of South Dakota and for the regulatory

authorities which help supervise the mining industry," said James A. Anderson, president and chief executive officer of MinVen Gold.

MinVen Gold is a publicly held, Denver-based gold mining company with interests in five operating mines in the United States and Canada, including the 100 percent owned Gilt Edge Mine and 33-1/3 percent owned Golden Reward Mine in South Dakota.

MinVen Gold's shares are traded on the American, Toronto and Vancouver stock exchanges under the symbol MVG.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE), in cooperation with emergency management agencies in Berks, Chester and Montgomery counties, has begun a $1.5 million improvement project on the 165 emergency warning sirens located within the Limerick Generating Station 10-mile emergency planning zone (EPZ).

The improvements include new control equipment at each siren location and new computerized siren controllers in the communications centers of the three counties. The work is being performed by Acoustic Technologies Inc., a Boston firm which has installed similar systems at other nuclear plants.

Craig Adams, manager of emergency preparedness at PE, said, "The present siren control system was the best available when it was installed in 1984. The improvements we are making now will provide even more accurate information, and faster monitoring of siren status and increased ease of operation for the counties."

PE installed and maintains the siren system, but the operation of the sirens is the responsibility of the emergency management officials in the three counties.

Nuclear plant operators are required by federal regulation to provide a method for local agencies to signal the public in the event of an emergency.

The sounding of the sirens would be a signal to tune a radio or TV to one of the county Emergency Broadcast Stations (EBS) for a message on the nature of the emergency.

EBS stations are listed in information brochures recently distributed by PE and the counties to all residents of the Limerick EPZ. The same emergency information is also found in the blue pages of local phone directories.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Bancorp (NYSE: STL), parent bank holding company of Sterling National Bank & Trust Company of New York, reported consolidated net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $431,000 compared with a net loss of $4,133,000 for the same period in 1989. The third quarter net income was 7 cents per average common share, vs. a net loss of 66 cents for the like period 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, consolidated net income totalled $1,465,000 vs. $6,124,000 net loss, same period 1989.

Theodore H. Silbert, chairman, attributed the return to profitability "to higher net interest income resulting from the elimination of the negative interest spread related to the financing in 1989 of the bank's short term U.S. Treasury note portfolio. Also, net funds arising from the termination of this portfolio were redeployed on a more profitable basis." He stated that "the net loss for the third quarter 1989 included a $3.2 million tax provision for the settlement reached with the Internal Revenue Service for the years 1977 through 1981."

Sterling National Bank & Trust Company of New York, established in 1929, is the principal subsidiary of Sterling Bancorp. During the first nine months of 1990, the bank maintained its high asset quality, its high level of liquidity and its strong capital position.

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TAMPA, FLA. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - D. Mark Olson has been named president and chief executive officer (CEO) of INVEST Financial Corp., a subsidiary of Kemper Financial Companies, Inc., announced James R. Boris, chairman of INVEST's board of directors.

INVEST is widely recognized as the premier provider of annuities, mutual funds and unit investment trusts to clients of financial institutions. INVEST Centers are located in about 200 banks nationwide.

"INVEST has expanded its number of branch locations to more than 730, an increase of 40 percent in the past year," said Boris.

"Mark Olson's appointment as president and CEO confirms our commitment to the

long-range plan for additional expansion and growth at INVEST, which began 18 months ago," he said.

Olson, 42, previously served as executive vice president and chief operating officer of INVEST. He has been with INVEST since June 1989. Olson is a member of INVEST's board of directors. Before joining INVEST, Olson held positions with Kemper Financial Services and Shearson Lehman Brothers, with a total of 15 years experience in a series of expanding capacities in the financial services industry. He holds a degree in economics from Texas A&M University.

INVEST, which founded its industry in 1982, is the largest and most experienced company of its kind with branches in 41 states. Alternative products and services sold at INVEST Centers generate fee income for banks that are subscribers in the INVEST network. Kemper Financial Companies, Inc. a subsidiary of Kemper Corp. (NYSE: KEM), owns more than 90 percent of INVEST Financial Corp.

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WIXOM, MI (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - A 22-percent increase in sales of the all-new 1991 Ford Escort, along with continued strength in the luxury car and light truck markets, helped Ford and Lincoln-Mercury Divisions' Detroit Districts -- covering most of Michigan -- finish October with strong sales momentum.

Lincoln Continental and Lincoln Town Car sales in October increased 64 percent and 4 percent over 1989, respectively.

In Ford Division's Detroit District, sales in the compact sport utility segment were up 118 percent for October compared to a year ago. The all-new Explorer replaced the Bronco II as Ford's entry in that segment earlier this year.

Additionally, sales of the Ford Aerostar, up 34 percent in October, contributed to a 3-percent improvement in retail truck sales for the month compared to a year ago.

"Nationally, October was the seventh time in the past eight months that Ford's share of the truck market increased over a year ago," said Richard Arb, Ford Division's Detroit District sales manager.

Don Huffman, sales manager for Lincoln-Mercury Division's Detroit District, said, "With greater availability of the all-new 1991 Mercury Tracer and Ford Escort, along with continuing strength in our luxury cars, we are confident

that Ford's car market share will improve over the balance of the year."

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OKLAHOMA CITY (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Hadson Energy Resources Corporation (NASDAQ: HERC) today announced net earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $3.5 million, or $.58 per share, on total revenue of $13.1 million. This compares with a net loss of $195,000, or $.06 per share, on total revenue of $5.5 million for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net earnings of $3 million, or $.52 per share, on total revenue of $26.8 million as compared to net income of $166,000 or $.05 per share, on total revenue of $16.9 million for the first nine months of 1989.

Cash flows provided by operating activities (before change in working capital) increased to $8.9 million for the quarter as compared to $1.8 million for the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months periods ended September 30, 1990 and 1989, such cash flows were $16.6 million and $5.9 million respectively.

The significant increases in earnings and operating cash flows experienced by the company during the current quarter are principally attributable to an increase in oil production from the company's Harriet Field, offshore Western Australia and an increase in the average price received for the company's domestic and international oil production. As the result of the acquisition of an additional 10.45 percent interest in late 1989 and a successful workover program initiated in the second quarter of 1990, the company's Harriet oil production increased to 264,000 barrels during the current quarter as compared to 125,000 barrels for the third quarter of 1989.

For the quarter, the average price received for the company's domestic and international oil production was $23.93 and $37.75, respectively. These prices represent increases of 29 percent and 109 percent, respectively, in relation to the prior year quarter. The company's international production is sold pursuant to a "net back" contract which provides for pricing based upon the market price of the products which are refined from the crude. During the quarter, the price received pursuant to this contract was consistently at a premium to the quoted price for West Texas Intermediate.

William C. Rankin, vice president and chief financial officer, stated, "We had projected that third quarter earnings and cash flows would be substantially improved as a result of the Harriet workover program, but the combined effect of the increased production with higher price levels has been remarkable. Total revenue and cash flows for the third quarter approximated those levels achieved by the company for the first half of the year. Based upon pricing and production levels which we are currently experiencing, favorable financial

results for the fourth quarter are anticipated."

Hadson Energy Resources Corporation is an independent energy company engaged internationally in crude oil and natural gas exploration, development and production.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Courier Dispatch Group Inc. (NASDAQ: CDGI) announced today that its board of directors had rejected as inadequate the offer from the John H. Harland Co. (NYSE: JH) to acquire the balance of the company's common stock at a price of $3.75 per share through an all-cash merger.

The board's determination that it could not recommend such an offer to its stockholders was based on advice from its financial advisor, The Robinson-Humphrey Co. Inc. On Nov. 6, the closing bid and ask prices for the company's common stock were $3.50 and $4.00, respectively.

According to a recent filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission, John H. Harland Co. currently owns 603,750 shares of Courier Dispatch common stock. In addition, on Oct. 2, John H. Harland Co. entered into a stock purchase agreement with certain shareholders of the company, comprised primarily of the chairman of Courier Dispatch and his family, to acquire 675,986 additional shares of Courier Dispatch common stock for $4.00 per share (subject to upward adjustment under certain circumstances) in cash. Such acquisition would raise John H. Harland Co.'s ownership level to a total of 1,279,736 shares or approximately 51 percent of the current outstanding stock of the company. Harland also reported that, in connection with the execution of such agreement the selling shareholders appointed Harland as their proxy with respect to such shares of common stock.

John H. Harland Co., headquartered in Decatur, Ga., is a major national participant in the fields of finance and education whose principal products include M.I.C.R. encoded checks, deposit slips and related forms for financial institutions and their customers.

Courier Dispatch Group Inc. is a full-service courier organization providing both scheduled and on-call ground and air courier services for transporting time-sensitive documents for its customers. The company conducts air courier service to approximately 65 cities, while operating ground courier facilities in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Hampshire, North Carolina, North and South Dakota, and Rhode Island.

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ATCHISON, KS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Though down from a year ago, Midwest Grain Products, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MWGP) announced that results for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were up considerably over each of the last three quarters, heightening expectations of a favorable turnaround in profitability.

Net income for the quarter was $2,287,000, or 35 cents per share, on sales of $45,910,000. Net income for the same period last year was $3,085,000, or 47 cents per share, on sales of $48,769,000.

"While we did not return to that level of profitability, our approach to that rate reflects the onset of positive developments," Ladd Seaberg, president and CEO, said.

The most significant development was in the company's alcohol operation. According to Seaberg, fuel alcohol unit sales in the first quarter increased by almost 89 percent compared to a year ago as demand for that product surged in the wake of rising gasoline prices.

Along with volume increases, prices for fuel and high grade industrial alcohol went up also, adding significantly to first quarter profitability. Beverage alcohol prices improved slightly, Seaberg said, noting that while unit sales for this product were 4 percent below last year's first quarter, they were 6 percent above the fourth quarter sales.

Premium wheat starch sales continued upward, exceeding last year's first quarter volume by 9 percent. "This has been a consistently profitable market, and we have no signs to suggest it will change," Seaberg stated. "Rather," he added, "we remain encouraged that more opportunities will unfold as we identify and develop new markets, especially for our many varieties of specially modified wheat starches."

Though output was much lower than the same period a year ago, flour production rose 36 percent over the fourth quarter as the result of increased flour export sales. The company has since entered into additional export contracts that extend to May of 1991 and are expected to boost flour volume and margins to last year's first quarter levels.

Unit sales of vital wheat gluten declined 9 percent compared to both the first and final quarters of fiscal 1990 as competition from foreign imports remained strong. The adverse impact that competitive pressures and lower gluten prices had on profitability was softened by lower raw material costs for wheat from this summer's bumper harvest.

"These lower costs are now allowing us to compete more aggressively, and we are receiving indications that our strategies to protect our customer base are increasingly effective," Seaberg said. He added that decreased raw material costs from this fall's large corn and milo harvest presently are helping to improve the efficiency of overall operations.

Seaberg expressed optimism about continued improvements in all major product lines based on current market factors and the company's solid financial position.

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BOCA RATON, FL (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - GPT, a subsidiary of the General Electric Company, plc of the UK, and Siemens AG of Germany announced today that they have reached an advanced stage in their negotiations to merge their public telecommunications operations in the U.S. in a joint venture which will be North America's third largest public network supplier. A further announcement will be made shortly.

To be known as Siemens Stromberg-Carlson, the joint venture will be formed by bringing together Siemens Communication Systems, Inc. and Stromberg-Carlson Corporation. Chief executive officer will be Volker Jung, president and chief executive officer of Siemens Communication Systems.

Stromberg-Carlson is part of GPT in which Siemens has a 40 percent shareholding.

The joint venture, with the majority of its 4,000 employees located in Florida Arizona, New Mexico and New York will design, develop, produce and market computerized public telephone switches, packet switching and transmission systems.

The strategy which has been established for Siemens Stromberg-Carlson is to:

-- coordinate Siemens Stromberg-Carlson's research and development activities with those of its parents;
-- support and develop the Siemens EWSD and the Stromberg-Carlson DCO public switches and transmission equipment to service existing and future customers. Programs will be put in place to ensure that these products evolve to take advantage of the enhanced telecommunications facilities envisaged for the future;
-- integrate the existing Siemens and Stromberg-Carlson sales and marketing activities to give all potential customers full

access to the combined product range.

Siemens and Stromberg-Carlson already supply North America local telephone companies and voice and data carriers, including six of the seven Regional Bell Operating Companies (RBOCs), GTE and several hundred independent holding and operating companies. Other key markets are interexchange carriers and data communications companies.

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JENKINTOWN, PA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Flagship Financial Corp.'s (NASDAQ-NMS: FLGF) management announced today that after deducting $13 million of previously disclosed non-cash charges, the company reported a net loss of $10.9 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, or $3.16 per share.

This compares with $1.5 million of net income or $.42 per share for the same period in 1989. As discussed in a prior release, the charges to earnings include the write-off of $10 million of goodwill and the accelerated addition of $3 million to provisions for loan losses.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss to $9.9 million or $2.85 per share, as compared to net income of $4.6 million or $1.34 per share in 1989.

In addition to the anticipated charges, results of operations included a combination of non-recurring expenses stemming from the company's decision to close its New Jersey retail outlets as well as Frank P. Felton 3rd's decision to take early retirement as chairman and chief executive officer of Flagship after 27 years of service. On a combined basis, these expenses totaled $1.2 million.

Commenting on these results, John M. Mason, the newly appointed chief executive officer, said, "As part of our strategic plan, we decided to close our New Jersey operations, accelerate the building of our loan loss reserves, and charge off a portion of goodwill in the third quarter to clear the way for more favorable profit trends in the future.

"Importantly, these charge-offs were non-cash items and therefore do not affect the core earnings power of the company. We believe that these restructuring decisions strengthen our financial condition in a weakening economy and will significantly enhance our competitive position when the economy improves."

Net interest income increased 15 percent to $6.7 million for the quarter, from $5.8 million during the same quarter last year. The net interest rate spread also showed a marked improvement from year-ago levels, with an average spread of 2.33 percent during the quarter vs. 2.06 percent for the September 1989 quarter.

Total provision for loan losses was $3.2 million for the quarter, as compared to $100,000 for the same quarter in 1989 and $1.7 million for the second quarter of 1990.

As discussed in prior disclosures, this increase resulted from management's decision to build loan loss reserves to levels that more closely approximate commercial bank standards and to provide protection from an increase in non-performing and potential problem loans. After the provision, the allowance for loan losses totaled $7 million, or .98 percent of total loans.

Non-performing assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $15.1 million, or 1.60 percent of total assets. This represents an increase from June 30 and primarily reflects the addition of two loans totaling $1.3 million that were disclosed in the company's 1989 Form 10-K as potential problem loans.

"The increase in non-performing loans was not unexpected given the continued softening of the economy and real estate market. We are aggressively managing this portfolio and believe that our ratio of non-performing loans remains significantly below our peers," Mason said.

At Sept. 30, the company's capital position remained strong, with tangible capital equaling 8.45 percent of total assets. Both of Flagship's thrift subsidiaries continued to substantially exceed the federal government's fully phased-in capital requirements.

Non-interest expenses were up during the quarter due primarily to the non-recurring expenses related to the closure of the New Jersey facilities and Felton's decision to retire. Without these charges, non-interest expenses as a percentage of assets would have been 2.18 percent and 2.10 percent for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively.

On Oct. 15, 1990, the board of directors declared the regular quarterly common stock cash dividend of $.10 per share. This dividend will be paid on Nov. 16 to Flagship stockholders of record on Nov. 2.

Flagship Financial, which ranks among the 10 largest publicly traded thrift institutions in Pennsylvania, conducts business through its wholly owned subsidiaries First American Savings and Brandywine Savings Bank.

First American operates 12 full-service and three "convenience" branches in Pennsylvania and New Jersey; its two New Jersey full-service offices are expected to be closed by mid-November. Brandywine Savings operates nine

full-service branches in Chester County, Pa. The common stock of Flagship Financial is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FLGF.

FLAGSHIP FINANCIAL CORP.
(Unaudited; dollars in thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended	Quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating data:				
Total interest income	$23,129	$21,658	$67,900	$54,444
Total interest expense	16,432	15,841	48,056	37,948
Net interest income	6,697	5,817	19,844	16,496
Provision for loan losses	3,192	100	5,147	260
Net interest income after provision	3,505	5,717	14,697	16,236
Non-interest income:				
Gain on sale of loans and securities	--	312	--	434
Equity in income from joint ventures	176	297	534	826
Other	479	388	1,517	1,006
Total non-interest income	655	997	2,051	2,266
Non-interest expenses:				
Salaries and employee benefits	3,281	2,001	7,545	5,113
Occupancy and equipment	994	701	2,655	1,784
Deposit insurance premiums	384	367	1,119	878
Amortization of excess cost over fair value of net assets acquired	250	271	792	604
Advertising and marketing	224	211	592	462
Write-off of intangible assets	2,782	--	2,782	--
Other	1,252	883	3,241	2,107
Total non-interest expenses	9,167	4,434	18,726	10,948
Income (loss) before income taxes and cumulative effect of change in an accounting principle	(5,007)	2,280	(1,978)	7,554
Income tax expense (benefit)	(930)	819	1,031	2,927
Income (loss) before cumulative effect of change in an accounting principle	(4,077)	1,461	(3,009)	4,627
Cumulative effect of change in an accounting principle	(6,871)	--	(6,871)	--
Net income (loss)	(10,949)	1,461	(9,881)	4,627
Earnings (loss) per common share:				
Before cumulative effect of change in an				

accounting principle	($1.18)	$.42	($.87)	$1.34
Cumulative effect of change in an accounting principle	($1.98)	--	($1.98)	--
Total	($3.16)	$.42	($2.85)	$1.34
Net int. rate spread (pct.)	2.33	2.06	2.29	2.20
Net interest margin (pct.)	2.95	2.73	2.93	3.02
Operating expenses to average assets (pct.)	2.30	1.97	2.23	1.90
Operating expenses to average assets excluding goodwill (pct.)	2.23	1.89	2.16	1.84
Return on aver. assets (pct.)	(4.61)	.65	(1.41)	.80
Return on average equity (pct.)	(46.49)	6.00	(13.48)	6.44

FLAGSHIP FINANCIAL CORP. FINANCIAL CONDITION DATA

At Sept. 30	1990	1989
Total assets	$948,765	$896,987
Loans receivable, net	698,462	646,145
Mortgage-backed securities	129,818	90,718
Total deposits	789,043	729,662
Total borrowings	58,377	56,825
Total capital	88,520	98,331
Tangible capital to tangible assets (pct.)	8.45	8.90
Tangible book value per common share	$22.87	$22.51
Non-performing assets to total assets (pct.)	1.60	.48
Allowance for loan losses to total loans (pct.)	.98	.28

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MIAMI (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways and Pan Am Express will increase the number of daily departures out of Miami from 63 during the peak winter season last year to 107 this year, Thomas G. Plaskett, chairman and chief executive officer of Pan Am Corporation, the parent company of the two airline subsidiaries, said at a press conference here today.

The 70 percent increase since last year includes additional frequencies in existing markets, new domestic and international flights being inaugurated by Pan American World Airways, and the start-up of service in 10 short-haul markets by Pan Am Express.

Plaskett, who stressed the importance of South Florida to Pan Am's long-term strategy, said that, as a result of a recent agreement with United Airlines to form a marketing alliance and to transfer certain North Atlantic route authorities to United, Pan Am will accelerate its planned increase in services in Miami and Latin America, including plans for a more new nonstop Miami-Sao Paulo service and new flights between Miami and Recife, Brazil.

In addition, new services to be operated by Pan American World Airways this winter include Miami to Managua, Nicaragua; San Salvador, El Salvador; Belize City, Belize; San Pedro Sula, Honduras, Detroit and Newark, with new frequencies added in markets between Miami and Los Angeles, Buenos Aires, and Orlando and Tampa.

Pan Am Express, which first inaugurated service last May between Miami and Key West, Fort Myers, Sarasota, Melbourne and West Palm Beach, has increased its schedule this winter to include service from Miami to Naples, Freeport, Marsh Harbor and Treasure Cay.

Plaskett said the carrier also plans flights in several international markets for which it has applied and awaits approval: Miami to Cancun, Bogota, Lima, Cali, Guayaquil and Toronto.

"We have been pleased with the significant increases in traffic, load factor and revenues since the build-up of our Miami hub began two years ago," Plaskett said, "Now, the broad-based cooperative agreement that we have signed with United Airlines will allow us to focus even more of our attention on our Florida and Latin American services."

Plaskett said the United agreement will benefit Pan Am's Miami services in several ways: by allowing the carrier to redeploy aircraft to Miami-originating flights; by providing the traveling public with more convenient service as a result of plans to coordinate schedules with United Airlines in Miami; and by creating one of the most extensive air networks in the world as a result of the joint participation of the carriers' two frequent flyer programs and joint marketing programs.

Plaskett reiterated the company's long-term commitment to Miami, stating that the company plans a steady increase in services over the next several years.

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VALHALLA, NY (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - ComponentGuard, Inc. (NASDAQ: PLUGC, warrants: PLUWC) announced today that it received a proposal from Warranty Holdings Corp. (WHC) to acquire by merger all of the outstanding shares of common stock of ComponentGuard, Inc. (CGI) not held by WHC at a price of 50

cents per share. WHC is a corporation formed solely for the purpose of consummating the acquisition.

WHC indicated that the merger would be subject to the execution of a contract containing representations, warranties and covenants reasonably acceptable to WHC and its counsel, to the arrangement of the financing necessary for the consummation of the transaction and to the final approval of the board of directors of WHC.

The arrangements necessary for financing would include: (i) the assumption by WHC, or the conversion into shares of WHC common stock, of an aggregate of $2,500,000 principal amount of convertible subordinated notes of CGI; (ii) the exchange by certain Swiss institutional holders and certain "accredited" Unites States holders of CGI common stock of their CGI common stock for WHC common stock and (iii) the private placement of securities of WHC, the net proceeds of which would be approximately $4,750,000 to $6,000,000.

The proposal was made pursuant to an agreement entered into among WHC, Robert Minnick, the founder president and a director of CGI, and Peter Friedli, managing director of Ascent Holding A.G., a Switzerland-based investment fund which in July 1990 purchased from CGI a $1,500,000 principal amount convertible subordinated note convertible into 3,000,000 shares of common stock of CGI at 50 cents per share and a warrant to purchase 3,000,000 shares of CGI at $1.25 per share.

In addition, Ascent owns 335,000 shares of CGI common stock and Friedli is president of another fund which owns 675,000 shares of CGI common stock.

Robert Minnick is currently the sole shareholder, president and director of WHC and will, prior to the proposed merger, transfer the 4,675,000 shares of CGI common stock owned by him to WHC. Pursuant to the agreement between WHC, Minnick and Friedli, the board of directors of WHC would ultimately be composed of Minnick and two of his nominees, and Friedli and one of his nominees.

In addition, pursuant to the agreement, the aforementioned financing transaction would be conducted primarily through the investment banking efforts of Friedli Corporate Financing AG, Zurich, Switzerland, the principal of which is Peter Friedli. The private placement is contemplated to be made to Switzerland-based financial institutions.

The acquisition is also expected to be dependent upon the receipt of a fairness opinion by CGI and the affirmative vote of the majority of shares held by stockholders of CGI who are unaffiliated with WHC at a meeting of stockholders, which has not been scheduled at this time.

ComponentGuard, Inc. is a New York corporation which provides extended warranty contracts under the COMPONENTGUARD brand name on various consumer

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FREEPORT, N.Y. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - LeaRonal, Inc., (NYSE: LRI) today announced that the board of directors has declared a quarterly dividend of $.12 per share on the company's common stock.

The dividend will be paid on Dec. 12, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 21, 1990.

LeaRonal, Inc. develops a wide variety of specialty chemicals for the electronics and metal finishing industries.

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Tandy Brands, Inc. announced today that its stockholders have approved an amendment to the company's certificate of incorporation changing its name to "the Bombay Company, Inc." The action was taken at the annual meeting of stockholders of Bombay held yesterday in Fort Worth, Texas. The name change is designed to clearly identify the company with its specialty retail operations which currently consist of the Bombay Company and Alex & Ivy. The Bombay Company markets home furnishings and accessories, specializing in English reproductions from the 18th and 19th centuries. Alex & Ivy is a new home decor store test featuring European country styles. The Bombay Company, Inc., will continue to trade on the American Stock Exchange, under the symbol "BBA" (CUSIP number 097924 10 4), effective Nov. 9, 1990.

Bombay also announced that its board of directors has approved the terms of the tax-free spinoff of its Tandy Brands Accessories division to the stockholders of Bombay. Tandy Brands Accessories, Inc., a newly- formed Delaware corporation has been organized by Bombay for the purpose of operating the existing men's and boys' leather accessories, neckwear and gift accessories manufacturing and marketing business. The officers of Accessories are J.S.B. Jenkins, president and chief executive officer and Stanley T. Ninemire, vice president and chief financial officer, secretary and treasurer. Members of the board of directors are Clayton E. Niles, Chairman, J.S.B. Jenkins, James F. Gaertner, C.A. Rundell, Jr. and Robert E. Runice.

Under the terms of the spinoff, holders of record of Bombay common stock on Dec. 31, 1990, will be entitled to receive one share of the common stock of Accessories for every five shares of Bombay common stock held. Bombay stockholders will not be required to pay any consideration or exchange their shares of Bombay common stock in order to receive shares of Accessories common stock. Subsequent to the distribution of the outstanding common stock of Accessories, Bombay and Accessories will be independent public companies, and Bombay will not own any common stock of Accessories. The distribution of Accessories shares is expected to occur approximately Jan. 10, 1991, or as soon thereafter as is practicable, provided all regulatory matters are resolved.

A registration statement relating to the distribution of the Accessories common stock has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state. Copies of the final prospectus, once available, may be obtained by contacting Stanley T. Ninemire, secretary, Tandy Brands Accessories, Inc., 3312 E. Pioneer Parkway, Arlington, Texas 76010.

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The M. A. Hanna Company (NYSE/MSE: MAH) today announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly dividend on the company's common stock of $.15 per share. The dividend is payable Dec. 12, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 27, 1990.

M. A. Hanna Company is a leading international formulated polymers company with interests in natural resources.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - ConVest Energy Partners, Ltd. (AMEX: CEP) today reported net income of $1,150,000 or 19 cents per unit for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net income of $234,000 or 4 cents per unit for the third quarter of 1989. Total revenues for the third quarter of

1990 were $3,562,000 compared to 1989 third quarter revenues of $2,457,000. Net income per unit is based on 5,914,573 units outstanding during both quarterly periods.

CEP had net income of $2,170,000 or 36 cents per unit for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to net income of $2,155,000 or 36 cents per unit for the same period in 1989. Total revenues for the nine months were $9,047,000 compared to 1989 revenues of $8,256,000. Net income and total revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30,1989 included approximately $1.5 million received by CEP in settlement of two gas contract disputes and a litigation matter.

Oil and gas revenues for both the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased by 40 percent and 30 percent, respectively, over the corresponding 1989 periods due to increased oil production and higher oil prices during the third quarter of 1990. The other major contributor to CEP's revenue stream was increased profit margins at the Altamont Gas Plant, where 1990 revenues have exceeded 1989 revenues by about 80 percent. Gas production increased by about 50 percent between the second and third quarters of 1990 due to the re-establishment of production at CEP's Appalachian properties during July 1990 and an increase in production levels at the S. Timbalier offshore Louisiana property.

Cash flow generated from operations for the three months and the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $2,170,000 and $5,038,000 respectively. This compares to $1,082,000 and $4,475,000 (or $1,078,000 and $2,949,000 excluding nonrecurring settlement income) for the same periods in 1989. Average oil and gas prices were 47 percent and 10 percent higher, respectively, during the third quarter of 1990, as compared to the previous calendar quarter.

ConVest Energy Partners, Ltd. is a publicly traded master limited partnership whose principal business activities include the development and operation of oil and gas properties and the acquisition of additional producing properties. ConVest Energy Corporation serves as general partner of CEP and currently owns approximately 14 percent of the partnership interests.

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TAYLOR, MI (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Masco Industries' (NASDAQ-NMS: MASX) sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, decreased 2 percent to $382 million from $390 million in 1989.

Sales of custom engineered products for the third quarter increased 3 percent, as a 7-percent increase in transportation-related sales more than offset a decline in defense sales.

Sales of specialty products declined 9 percent, as a 22-percent increase in energy-related products sales was more than offset by the absence of sales from the company's Flo-Con Systems, Inc. subsidiary, which was sold in late 1989.

Net income in the third quarter of 1990 was $0.7 million or $.01 per share, compared to $16.4 million or $.20 per share in 1989. Third-quarter 1990 results were handicapped by unrealized losses of $16.1 million ($10.6 million after tax, or $.14 per share) related to the company's marketable securities portfolio.

In 1989, the third quarter benefited from extraordinary income of approximately $10 million ($6.7 million after tax, or $.08 per share) resulting from the early extinguishment of convertible debt securities.

Profits in 1990 were also adversely affected as a result of continued margin pressures experienced by certain product groups, such as architectural and defense, which more than offset improved operating performance by the company's energy-related operations.

As previously announced, General Motors Corporation (NYSE: GM) discontinued development of the Chevrolet Beretta convertible program jointly undertaken by Masco Industries' Cars & Concepts subsidiary and Chevrolet Motor Division.

Masco Industries has invested substantial amounts in the Beretta convertible program and will pursue recovery of this investment through negotiation with General Motors. The amount of any recovery, however, is not certain, and if recovered amounts are less than Masco Industries' current carrying cost of such investment and related costs (approximately $20 million), future earnings would be reduced accordingly.

The slowing of the general economy has resulted in a softening in a number of the company's markets; in particular, the company anticipates that automotive production levels will continue to be reduced over the next several months which will negatively affect demand for certain of the company's products.

Longer term, however, Masco Industries continues to believe that maintaining its financial disciplines and business strategies should result in significant future growth for Masco Industries. Masco Industries manufactures custom engineered and other commercial and specialty industrial products.

MASCO INDUSTRIES, INC.
(Amounts in thousands except per-share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$381,650	$390,190	$1,187,950	$1,299,160

Cost of sales	(299,930)	(305,960)	(937,290)	(1,000,480)
Selling, general & adminis. expenses	(45,720)	(47,570)	(142,380)	(151,040)
Operating profit	36,000	36,660	108,280	147,640
Other expense, net	33,780	18,580	86,710	49,720
Income before income taxes & extraordinary income	2,220	18,080	21,570	97,920
Income taxes	1,560	8,360	10,250	38,700
Income before extraordinary income	660	9,720	11,320	59,220
Extraordinary income	---	6,690	7,150	6,690
Net income	$660	$16,410	$18,470	$65,910
Earnings per share:				
Before extraordinary income	$.01	$.12	$.15	$.70
Extraordinary income	---	.08	.09	.07
Net income	$.01(a)	$.20(b)	$.24(a)	$.77(b)
Average shares and equivalents outstanding	---	---	76,000	81,480

(a) - Primary earnings per share.
(b) - Fully diluted earnings per share. Convertible securities had a dilutive effect on 1989 earnings.

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FAIRFIELD, NJ (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - S2 Golf Inc. (NASDAQ: GOLF) (doing business as Square Two Golf), a manufacturer of a complete line of men's and women's golf clubs, today announced record sales and earnings for the first nine months which ended Sept. 30, 1990. Square Two Golf is the officially endorsed club of the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA).

Shipments for the first nine months of 1990 rose to $6,326,844 from $3,901,740 in the first nine months of 1989. Shipments for the third quarter, normally the slowest quarter of the golf season, rose to $1,765,943 from $1,107,997 for the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months, pre-tax profits were $793,796 with net after taxes of $533,511 or $.066 per share. This compares with a net profit before taxes of $685,799 with after-tax profits of $460,238 or $.058 per share in the first nine months of 1989.

For the third quarter the company posted at net profit before taxes of

$198,124, with an after tax profit of $100,325 or $.013 per share as compared with a pre-tax profit of $191,618 and after-tax profits of $128,277 or $.016 per share for the third quarter of 1989.

L.R. Jeffrey, president, attributed the improved sales results to continuing high levels of consumer acceptance of the company's products, a higher percentage of shipments of graphite clubs and to an increased number of dealers. Jeffrey stated "While the July-September period is usually the slowest quarter for the golf equipment industry, we shipped clubs at a rate considerably higher than we had anticipated.

Shipments were up almost 60 percent over those of the third quarter of 1989. As a result, we had to air freight some components from our overseas suppliers in order to meet our customer's required delivery schedules. Our Air Freight charges in the third quarter were $80,993 and for the first nine months, these charges totalled $142,537."

"Our manufacturing and office space is being increased by 50 percent preparatory to the 1991 golf season. Square Two is bringing our several new lines of clubs which should strengthen our dealer organization as well as providing a greater choice of clubs for the consumer. A line of quality golf bags is being introduced for the Christmas season. We are continuing to add new dealers and expect to be in an excellent position for the 1991 golf season."

The company's common stock is listed daily in the Additional NASDAQ Quotes list (Additional List) which is carried in the Wall Street Journal, Investors Daily and The New York Times. It is traded on the NASDAQ automated quotation system under the symbol "GOLF."

S2 GOLF INC. FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Period ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,765,943	$1,107,997	$6,326,844	$3,901,740
Income before taxes	198,124	191,618	793,976	685,799
Income taxes	97,799	63,341	260,465	225,561
Net after taxes	100,325	128,277	533,511	460,238
Earnings per share	.013	.016	.066	.058
No. of shrs. outstg. (weighted average)	8,052,171	7,890,043	8,052,171	7,890,043

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#90311p4242 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - St. Ives Laboratories (NASDAQ: SWIS) reported today that net sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were

$27,523,000, an increase of $2,263,000 (9.0 percent) from the comparable period in 1989.

St. Ives reports increases in Personal Care Products, International and Custom Label Products categories in the period. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $836,000 or $.12 per share vs. $591,000 or $.09 per share for the comparable quarter in 1989.

Net sales for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, decreased 5.9 percent to $78,564,000 from $83,506,000 in the same period of 1989. As reported in earlier releases, the decrease in domestic sales of Personal Care Products primarily relates to the introduction of a new packaging format for Swiss Formula(R) Hair Care Systems which was not accepted by the consumer.

The company returned to the original package as soon as possible after learning of the difficulty. There was no financial impact in the third quarter relating to the packaging format change.

Net income for the nine month period in 1990 was $2,468,000 or $.36 per share vs. $3,714,000 or $.54 per share in the comparable period of 1989.

Additionally, the board of directors of St. Ives Laboratories Inc. recently authorized the repurchase of up to 250,000 shares of the company's common stock. The stock may be purchased at any time during the next 12 months at prices the company deems desirable. All stock purchases will be made in the open market.

ST. IVES LABORATORIES INC. CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended Sept. 30		Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$27,522,605	$25,259,145	$78,563,903	$83,506,361
Cost of products sold	16,007,631	15,664,416	46,878,958	50,820,542
Selling, marketing and administrative expenses	10,430,760	8,773,553	28,474,289	26,962,213
Operating costs and expenses	26,438,391	24,437,969	75,353,247	77,782,755
Income from operations	1,084,214	821,176	3,210,656	5,723,606
Other (income), net	(299,743)	(163,498)	(878,537)	(479,449)
Income before income taxes	1,383,957	984,674	4,089,193	6,203,055
Provision for				

income taxes	548,226	394,142	1,620,701	2,489,136
Net income	$835,731	$590,532	$2,468,492	$3,713,919
Net income per share	$0.12	$0.09	$0.36	$0.54
Weighted average shares outstanding	6,928,399	6,928,399	6,928,399	6,927,288

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#90311p4245 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS/FORT WORTH AIRPORT, TX (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - American Airlines reported today flying 6.62 billion revenue passenger miles in October, 5.3 percent higher than the 6.28 billion RPMs it flew the same month last year.

American's cargo traffic continued its record-setting pace, increasing 21.4 percent over the previous October.

Michael W. Gunn, the airline's senior vice president-marketing, said international traffic increased 29.8 percent.

"European traffic was above October of last year and continues to perform well " Gunn said, "while traffic for the Latin American routes was significantly above the airline's expectations."

The airline's available seat miles increased 9.0 percent in October, to 10.78 billion from 9.89 billion. Gunn added that domestic traffic and capacity within the 48 states also increased last month from the period a year ago.

Overall passenger boardings increased 2.1 percent to 6,250,225 from 6,119,471. The system load factor fell to 61.4 percent from 63.5 percent.

During the first 10 months of 1990, American's revenue passenger miles grew 4.6 percent to 64.56 billion from 61.71 billion; available seat miles increased 7.3 percent to 102.60 billion from 95.63 billion; boardings rose 1.5 percent to 61,345,479 from 60,445,490; and the load factor declined to 62.9 percent from 64.5 percent.

Freight ton miles jumped 21.4 percent in October to 72.0 million from 59.3 million, while mail ton miles rose 12.4 percent to 24.3 million from 21.6 million.

For the January-October period of 1990, freight ton miles rose 20.1 percent to 636.2 million from 529.7 million. Mail ton miles grew 16.0 percent to 222.9 million from 192.2 million.

"Our continued double-digit growth in air cargo," said William R. Boesch, American's vice president-cargo, "reflects American Airlines' corporate dedication to cargo and our focus on providing top-quality service at competitive prices."

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#90311p4247 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Hadson Corporation (NYSE: HAD) announced earnings from continuing operations for the third quarter of 1990 of $2,081,000 ($.06 per share) on total revenues of $152,733,000.

This compares to a net loss of $10,408,000 ($.30 per share) on revenues of $112,784,000 in the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990 earnings from continuing operations were $318,000 ($.01 per share) on revenues of $397,586,000 as compared to a loss of $8,824,000 ($.25 per share) and revenues of $426,929,000 for the same period of 1989. The above results do not include amounts attributable to Hadson's Defense Systems Group which are now reflected as discontinued operations. On Oct. 9, 1990, Hadson completed the sale of its HRB Systems, Inc. defense subsidiary and further expects to complete the sale of its remaining defense subsidiary, Ultrasystems Defense, Inc., during the fourth quarter of 1990. Including the results from these discontinued operations, net earnings for the third quarter of 1990 were $2,081,000 and the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, resulted in a loss of $144,244,000, which reflects a write-off related to the defense operations in the second quarter of 1990.

J. Michael Adcock, president of Hadson said, "In September our Power Systems Group received final environmental permitting on the third of four cogeneration projects in Virginia. Accordingly, in the third quarter we recognized development fees and began recognizing engineering and construction revenues and profits on this project. With the addition of this third plant we now have three projects under construction in Virginia."

Adcock further stated, "Our energy products and services group, showed excellent results in the third quarter of 1990. The third quarter historically results in lower operating profits for this group due to the impact of mild weather. The improvement was due in part to higher prices for natural gas liquids, the lease to third party users of gas storage in our natural gas storage facilities and improved through-put in our New Mexico pipeline.

Hadson Corporation is an independent producer and supplier of energy products as well as an electric power services firm. Hadson has operations in natural gas and gas liquids; and the development, construction, operation and ownership of electric power generation facilities.

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#90311p4254 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Financial Guaranty Insurance Company today reported strong nine-month financial results in net income, premiums written and capital base growth.

Financial Guaranty's net income for the three months ending Sept. 30, 1990 was $24.9 million, a 15 percent increase from the $21.6 million reported for the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, the company's net income was $68.5 million, an 8 percent increase from $63.7 million for the same period in 1989. This increase excludes the effect of a one-time gain in 1989 of $2.9 million representing the cumulative effect of the initial application of Financial Accounting Statement No. 96, "Accounting for Income Taxes." All earnings are stated on a GAAP basis.

The company also reported net premiums written of $84.8 million for the first three quarters of 1990, a 112 percent increase from the $40.1 million written for the same period in 1989. Financial Guaranty's net investment income for the first nine months of 1990 increased 11 percent to $57.0 million compared to $51.3 million for the same period in 1989. Total revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $108.9 million, an increase of 5 percent compared to total revenues of $103.8 million for the same period in 1989.

Financial Guaranty's capital base, comprised of capital and surplus and the contingency reserve, totalled $578.0 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 9 percent from $531.1 million as of Dec. 31, 1989. FGIC's statutory policyholders' reserves, which include capital and surplus, losses and loss adjustment expense reserves, the contingency reserve, and unearned premium reserve, totaled $1.08 billion, an 11 percent increase from the $969.9 million reported as of Dec. 31, 1989. The company's statutory unearned premium reserve equalled $488.2 million as of Sept. 30, 1990 versus $438.5 million on Dec. 31, 1989.

"Financial Guaranty's growth in net income as well as net premiums written only underscores the company's considerable success in pursuing its long-term strategy," noted Stephen Berger, president and chief executive officer. "FGIC's strategy is simple. We target quality business at attractive premiums. However, we remain conservative in our underwriting criteria and will only write business if we feel comfortable with the risk characteristics of a transaction.

"Building a quality book of business," he added, "and continually growing our capital base is Financial Guaranty's long term commitment to investors seeking

a financial guarantor of impeccable financial strength."

Financial Guaranty insured over $5.4 billion in par value, or 23 percent of the approximately $24.1 billion par value of insured new municipal bonds issued in the first nine months of 1990.

Financial Guaranty's total assets increased 10 percent to $1.17 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990 from $1.06 billion as of Dec. 31, 1989. The company's investment portfolio, consisting predominantly of high- grade municipal securities, totaled $1.06 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $981.7 million as of Dec. 31, 1989.

A wholly owned subsidiary of GE Capital, FGIC Corporation, through its subsidiary Financial Guaranty Insurance Company, has established itself as a leading insurer of securities sold in capital markets, principally municipal bonds. The company also guarantees a growing variety of structured debt issues outside the municipal market.

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#90311p4259 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Christie Hefner, chairman and chief executive officer of Playboy Enterprises, Inc. (NYSE, PSE: PLA, PLAA), today announced at the company's annual stockholders meeting increased revenues and earnings from operations for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, which ended Sept. 30, 1990. First quarter revenues were $42.1 million, compared to $39.3 million for the same period last year. Operating income, which includes earnings from the company's publishing, entertainment, and product licensing businesses and corporate administration and promotion expenses, was $.4 million compared to an operating loss of $.4 million for the quarter last year.

Net income for the quarter was $.8 million or $.04 per share. Although net income for the first quarter a year ago was $5.0 million, or $.26 per share, $4.8 million of that amount was a nonoperating pre- tax gain from the sale to a competitor of Boarts International, Inc., an international distributor of U.S. periodicals under terms that produced the above noted gain and a favorable long-term distribution contract for Playboy magazine with a larger distributor.

The improvement in operating performance was attributable primarily to a 57 percent increase in earnings of the company's publishing group, which earned $3.2 million on revenues of $34.2 million, compared to $2.1 million on revenues of $32.1 million for the same quarter last year. Every segment of the publishing group, which includes Playboy, newsstand specials and calendars foreign editions, the company's art publishing business and catalogs, had improved operating income for the first quarter compared to last year.

Advertising pages and revenues for Playboy magazine were higher in the quarter when compared to last year despite a tough economic climate and reduced tobacco advertising pages. "Despite a soft market, revenues were up more than 5 percent for the quarter. Our goal is to continue increasing advertising pages and revenues by adjusting our mix of business. Advertisers place a premium on the most efficient vehicle for reaching their targets, and that gives Playboy added value," Hefner said. She noted that the just-published Fall 1990 MRI (Mediamark Research Inc.) study shows that Playboy is the most efficient magazine for reaching men.

In the product licensing area, both operating income and revenues were stable compared to the prior year quarter, despite a volatile worldwide retail market Hefner said. Operating income was $.7 million compared to $.8 million for last year's first quarter, and revenues were $1.4 million compared to $1.5 million last year. "Looking ahead, we see significant near-term opportunities to expand territorial distribution in Western Europe and the Far East, and longer-term opportunities to distribute product in Eastern Europe, including the USSR," Hefner said.

The entertainment group reported improved revenues of $6.5 million, compared to $5.6 million for the quarter last year and slightly lower operating income of $.5 million, down from $.7 million last year. Last year's first quarter did not have the full executive and creative team on board that is now in place so administrative expenses were lower. Playboy At Night, the company's domestic cable programming service, is now available to almost four million addressable homes and is the third largest pay-per-view service in the country.

Playboy Enterprises, Inc., is an international publishing and entertainment company that publishes Playboy magazine and oversees the production of 14 foreign editions.

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#90311p4263 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - A.G. Automotive Warehouses Inc. (NASDAQ: AGAWA) announced today the grand opening of its third Auto Giant warehouse, in Las Vegas, on Friday, Nov. 2, 1990. A total of three Auto Giant warehouses are now operating in California, Arizona and Nevada.

Robert J. McNulty, chairman, stated, "This third Auto Giant location is positioned in a superb metropolitan market, and is an important step towards our goal of becoming a dominant retailer of automotive parts and service in the Western United States. The company has signed leases for locations in Fountain Valley, Calif., and the Sacramento, Calif., metropolitan area. Three

additional locations are currently under negotiation. We are pleased with our progress and look forward to continued expansion in 1991."

Frank Roberts, president and chief executive officer, stated, "Our 75,000-square-foot Las Vegas warehouse features a state-of-the- art service center equipped with 36 service bays. Our unique mix of parts, accessories, tires and service make Auto Giant a one-stop destination for car and truck owners and automotive repair professionals."

Auto Giant offers a wide selection of quality, brand-name automotive products at discount prices to retail and commercial customers. Auto Giant warehouses average approximately 50,000 to 75,000 square feet, and offer approximately 17,000 items including automotive accessories, batteries, maintenance and repair parts, sound systems, cellular phones, tires and custom wheels. Each Auto Giant warehouse also contains a fully equipped automotive service center staffed with trained technicians.

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#90311p4266 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Hanson PLC (NYSE: HAN) announced today that the Hanson Sharesave Plan for the grant of savings related share options to employees was approved by shareholders meeting in London today. The plan is in addition to the Hanson share option schemes already in operation for more than 1,500 senior executives.

"We intend to invite eligible employees - about 25,000 people - to participate next month after publication of our annual results," Martin Taylor, vice-chairman, told the meeting.

"Those eligible are primarily full-time employees with at least one year's uninterrupted service. They will be able to save from ten to 150 pounds sterling a month for five years. At the end of that time they can use their savings to buy Hanson shares. We see this as an excellent means of involving our employees in the long term future of the company."

The meeting also approved certain technical changes to the company's memorandum and articles of association.

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#90311p4272 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of UtiliCorp

United (NYSE: UCU) voted today to increase the quarterly cash dividend on common stock from 36 to 38 cents. The dividend is payable at the new rate on Dec. 12, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 20.

UtiliCorp has increased its cash dividend by approximately 90 percent on an annualized basis since 1985. The company has paid dividends on common stock for 51 consecutive years.

Also declared were the following dividends on preference stock, payable Dec. 1 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 20, 1990:

PREFERENCE SERIES	DIVIDEND RATE
$2.4375	$.6094
$2.6125	$.6532
$1.775	$.4438

UtiliCorp common stock is listed on the New York, Toronto and Pacific exchanges. Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides gas and electric service to approximately 820,000 customers in eight states and the province of British Columbia.

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#90311p4277 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - AirTran Corporation (NASDAQ: ATCC) announced the declaration on Oct. 31, 1990 of a $0.04 per share cash dividend to be paid on AirTran's common stock with respect to the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The record date for determining holders of common stock entitled to receive the dividend is Nov. 16, 1990. AirTran anticipates payment of the dividend on or about Nov. 30, 1990.

AirTran is the parent company of Mesaba Aviation, Inc., a regional airline which provides connecting airline service as Northwest Airlink under a marketing agreement with Northwest Airlines. Currently, Mesaba provides service to 37 airports in 10 states to the hub cities of Minneapolis/St. Paul and Detroit.

As of Nov. 7, 1990, there were approximately 3.7 million shares of common stock outstanding. AirTran has paid a quarterly dividend on its stock since 1987.

AirTran's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ATCC.

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#90311p4278 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
PASADENA, CA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (NYSE: JEC) today announced record results for both the fourth quarter and the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the year was up over 40 percent from 1989 to $14,390,000, or $1.28 per share, on revenues of $881,757,000. Net income for last year was $10,220,000, or $0.95 per share, on revenues of $793,577,000.

For the fourth quarter, net income was $4,025,000, or $0.35 per share, on revenues of $230,301,000. This compares to net income of $3,158,000, or $0.29 per share, on revenues of $208,933,000 for the fourth quarter of 1989.

Jacobs also announced that its backlog at Sept. 30, 1990, was a record $1.34 billion. This represents an increase of more than $370 million, or 38 percent, from the backlog at Sept. 30, 1989.

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DALLAS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Valhi Inc. (NYSE: VHI) announced today that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly dividend of five cents ($.05) per share on its common stock, payable Dec. 28, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business Dec. 14, 1990.

Valhi Inc., headquartered in Dallas, is a diversified company engaged in the chemicals, refined sugar, integrated forest products, fast food, hardware products, petroleum services and titanium metals industries. Valhi's 12 1/2 percent Senior Subordinated Notes due Feb. 15, 1998 commenced trading in July 1990 on the New York and Pacific Stock Exhanges under the symbol of "VAL.F."

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ATLANTA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Co. will build a 600,000-square-foot Atlanta Parts Distribution Center (PDC) on 55 acres south of the city in Henry County, it was announced today by Ford.

Ground breaking for Ford Parts & Service Division's new facility, in Liberty Industrial Park, is scheduled for next January, for occupancy in January 1992.

The new Ford Atlanta PDC, one of 10 in the United States, will allow the company to consolidate its Southeast parts-storage operations. Parts for Ford and Lincoln-Mercury cars and Ford trucks now are stored in the company's 230,000-square-foot PDC in East Point, Ga., and three leased facilities totaling an additional 200,000 square feet.

John Oakland, PDC manager, said: "The new facility will help us provide still better service for our customers. They include vehicle dealerships and independent parts-sales outlets. Also helped," he said, "will be their customers -- the men and women who buy our cars and trucks."

Oakland praised the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, the Henry County Economic Development organization and Norfolk Southern Railroad. "They deserve much of the credit for Ford's move to the new location. Strong team play and sincere interest were in evidence in all our discussions," he said.

Oakland also credited the PDC employees. "Employee involvement was strong throughout our year of planning," he said. "Our employees' suggestions were taken into account from day one." UAW Local 882 represents PDC employees.

The new PDC will be southwest of the intersection of I-75 and Georgia Highway 155, just southwest of McDonough, and 26 miles south of downtown Atlanta.

John W. Rooker and Associates will build the new PDC, designed by the engineering firm of Brumbley and Associates to include attractive landscaping. Employment at the facility will remain at the level of the present PDC, 280. However, about 200 construction jobs are expected to result from the project.

The East Point facility will be made available for sale. Other occupants of that building moved to a north Atlanta office building this past summer. They were the Atlanta Districts of Ford Division and Ford Parts & Service Division.

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CARTHAGE, MO. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Leggett & Platt Inc. (NYSE: LEG) today declared a 21 cent per share fourth quarter cash dividend on the company's common stock. The dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record on Nov. 23, 1990.

Dividends declared for all four quarters of 1990 total 84 cents per share, up 14 percent over the 74 cents per share declared in 1989. This is the 19th consecutive year that the board has increased the cash dividend rate on Leggett's common stock.

Headquartered in Carthage, Leggett & Platt is a Fortune 500 company that specializes in manufacturing and marketing a broad line of components used by companies making furniture and bedding for homes, offices and institutions. Other home furnishings products include select lines of finished furniture and carpet cushioning materials. A variety of diverisified products are also produced and sold in several different markets unrelated to the home furnishings industry. The company's common stock is listed on The New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

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LANSING, MI (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Maxco, Inc. (NASDAQ: MAXC) today announced improved operating earnings and higher sales volume for the second quarter and half ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales rose 16 percent to $24,965,000 from $21,486,000 for the quarter. Operating earnings increased 28 percent to $1,207,000 from $943,000 in the year-earlier quarter.

Net income was $605,000, or 12 cents a share, compared to $1,016,000, or 20 cents a share. Year-earlier results included $650,000 or 13 cents a share, from an accounting change.

For the six months, sales grew 12 percent to $48,775,000 from $43,437,000. Operating earnings were up 3 percent to $2,200,000 from 2,139,000 in the year-earlier half.

Net income was $1,211,000, or 24 cents a share, compared to $1,321,000, or 25 cents a share. Year-earlier results included $650,000, or 13 cents a share, from the accounting change.

There were approximately 4.8 million weighted average shares outstanding in this year's reporting periods compared to 4.9 million the year before.

Maxco's results in the half benefited from $98,000 equity in the earnings of affiliated companies, primarily earnings of Medar, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MDXR), of which Maxco holds 40-percent equity as an investment. Year-earlier net was affected by Maxco's $420,000 equity share in losses of affiliated companies, of which $398,000 was attributable to losses incurred by Medar.

"The $25 million sales we reported for the quarter came from across the board increases at all Maxco operating companies," said Max A. Coon, chairman and president.

"This gain was led by Finishmaster, our auto paint distributor, which was up over $1.7 million -- a 25-percent gain over last year's second quarter. About $1 million of this increase came from three metro Chicago locations that we've added in the past year," he said.

"Maxco also benefited from improved operating margins at Wright Plastics. Akemi Plastics, one of our smaller units, is also making a stronger contribution due to early success of our Tri Diem process with the aerospace industry.

"Maxco is now generating consistently positive results. We believe the realignment and focus that we've made over the past several years give Maxco the flexibility and strength to perform well regardless of the economy," Coon said.

"Our stock is selling close to book value, and we're showing stronger earnings one of the reasons we've made purchases in the open market. Since March 31, Maxco has purchased 185,000 shares in the open market. Working capital is $8.2 million, up from $7.1 million on March 31, and our current ratio is 1.5.

"We always see a slowdown in our construction supply business during the winter months, so that factor will impact results in the second half," Coon said. "Our other businesses, notably Finishmaster, have potential to perform somewhat independently of economic conditions. With a group of good performers and a clear focus, we are more optimistic than ever about the company's future."

Maxco distribution businesses include Finishmaster, Inc., and the construction supply group (Ersco and Wisconsin Steel) which markets commercial and highway construction materials throughout Michigan, Wisconsin and Indiana. Wright Plastics, Pak Sak Industries and Akemi Plastic are other Maxco businesses.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
Maxco, Inc. and Subsidiaries
(In Thousands, except per-share data)

	Six Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Net Sales	$48,775	$43,437
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of sales and operating expenses	40,640	36,570
Selling, general and administrative	5,111	4,041
Depreciation and amortization	824	687
	46,575	41,298
OPERATING EARNINGS	2,200	2,139
Other income (expense):		
Interest income	227	123
Interest expense	(859)	(826)

	(632)	(703)
INCOME BEFORE FEDERAL INCOME TAXES EQUITY IN OPERATION OF AFFILIATES AND CUMULATIVE EFFECT OF ACCOUNTING CHANGE	1,568	1,436
Federal income taxes	(455)	(345)
INCOME BEFORE EQUITY IN OPERATIONS OF AFFILIATES AND CUMULATIVE EFFECT OF ACCOUNTING CHANGE	1,113	1,091
Equity in earnings (loss) of affiliated companies	98	(420)
INCOME BEFORE CUMULATIVE EFFECT OF ACCOUNTING CHANGE	1,211	671
Cumulative effect of change in method of accounting for income taxes		650
NET INCOME	$ 1,211	$ 1,321
Net Income Per Share:		
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	$ .24	$ .12
Cumulative effect of accounting change	$	$ .13
	$ .24	$ .25

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
Maxco, Inc. and Subsidiaries
(In Thousands, except per-share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Net Sales	$24,965	$21,486
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of sales and operating expenses	20,748	18,176
Selling, general and administrative	2,589	2,020
Depreciation and amortization	421	347
	23,758	20,543
OPERATING EARNINGS	1,207	943
Other income (expense):		
Interest income	50	65
Interest expense	(449)	(415)
	(399)	(350)
INCOME BEFORE FEDERAL INCOME TAXES EQUITY IN OPERATION OF AFFILIATES AND CUMULATIVE EFFECT OF ACCOUNTING CHANGE	808	593
Federal income taxes	(255)	(145)
INCOME BEFORE EQUITY IN OPERATIONS OF AFFILIATES AND CUMULATIVE EFFECT OF ACCOUNTING CHANGE	553	448
Equity in earnings (loss) of affiliated companies	52	(82)
INCOME BEFORE CUMULATIVE EFFECT		

OF ACCOUNTING CHANGE	605	366
Cumulative effect of change in method of accounting for income taxes		650
NET INCOME	$ 605	$ 1,016
Net Income Per Share:		
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	$ .12	$ .07
Cumulative effect of accounting change	$	$ .13
	$ .12	$ .20

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Cincinnati Milacron Inc. (NYSE: CMZ) has elected Daniel J. Meyer chairman of the board, effective Jan. 1, 1991. Meyer is also president and chief executive officer.

As chairman, Meyer will succeed James A. D. Geier, who, as previously announced, will retire at the end of the year. Geier will remain a member of the board and chairman of the board's executive committee.

Meyer, 54, joined Cincinnati Milacron in 1969. He served as chief financial officer from 1977 to 1987, first as vice president of finance and then as executive vice president of finance and administration. He was elected a director of the corporation in 1985, president and chief operating officer in 1987, and chief executive officer in April 1990. He holds a B.S. degree in electrical engineering from Purdue University and an M.B.A. from Indiana University.

Geier, 64, joined the company in 1951, after serving in the U.S. Army Air Corps and attending Williams College. He was elected president and chief executive officer in 1970 and chairman in 1981. He is the son of Frederick V. Geier, who was president of the company from 1934 to 1958 and chairman from 1958 to 1963, and the grandson of Frederick A. Geier, founder of the company.

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LAUREL, MD (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Agripost, Inc. (NASDAQ: AGRI) and F&E Resource Systems Technology, Inc. (FERST), publicly traded over-the-counter (pink sheets), announced today that negotiations with regard to the

combination of the two companies have been postponed temporarily.

According to John Forrer, chairman of Agripost, "negotiations have been delayed because both Agripost and FERST have recently focused their time and efforts on strengthening the financial basis of their first waste processing facilities," located in Dade County, Fla., and Baltimore, respectively. Forrer adds that "these efforts will not only make future discussions between Agripost and FERST more concrete, but positive outcome of these efforts would also make a conbined company stronger and more attractive to investors."

Agripost is refinancing its existing solid waste composting project in Dade County, the largest of its type in North America. The refinancing will include several million dollars in capital improvements which will allow the plant to process over 1,000 tons of mixed municipal solid waste per day. FERST is seeking to finance a new project in Baltimore, which will also process and recover mixed municipal solid waste through a combination of recycling and composting.

Ron Pickett, chairman and chief executive officer of FERST, reported that both companies have engaged in a constructive dialogue with regard to the combination and that he looks forward to resumption of negotiations after financing is in place for both projects.

Agripost also announced last week that it has elected to its board of directors Steven Engel, president of John Hancock Resource Development Corporation, a New York City-based investment bank. Engel has been a key advisor to Agripost with regard to the financing of its Dade County project and its corporate financing, including its negotiations with FERST. Engel and John Hancock Resource Development Corporation have also been actively involved in FERST's project and corporate financing efforts.

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DULUTH, MI. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Minnesota Power's (NYSE: MPL) core electric business expects record sales for 1990, and the company's non-electric businesses have promising expansion potential, the Duluth, Minn.-based utility's chief executive said today.

Speaking to the New York Society of Security Analysts, Arend Sandbulte, said that while MP's primary business will continue to be electric power, the company's paper manufacturing, coal mining and water/wastewater utilities make it "logically diversified" and give it added future growth potential.

The company's earnings began reflecting profits from non-electric businesses

in the mid-1980s, Sandbulte said. In 1989, a record earnings year for MP, the sale of its Universal Telephone, Inc. subsidiary contributed $1.10 of its $2.90 earnings per share.

He said the company's goal is to expand its water and wastewater treatment businesses, currently located in Florida and the Carolinas, to the point where they are contributing one-third of earnings by the year 2000.

"As an avenue for diversification, we like water," Sandbulte said. "It's a basic commodity everybody needs. It also plays to our strengths: specifically, the know-how to provide reliable utility service and operate under regulation."

Sandbulte said the company also sees expansion potential for its other non-electric businesses, which include BNI Coal, which mines lignite-coal in North Dakota, and Lake Superior Paper Industries, a Duluth mill that makes supercalendered paper used in catalogs, advertising supplements and magazines.

Minnesota Power's core electric business is "sound," Sandbulte said. "Because of our strong competitive position, we think we have opportunities to expand our energy business in non-conventional ways such as cogeneration and the sale of other energy- or resource- conservation services in the region."

Although the taconite industry is having its third-straight good year in 1990, MP and its service territory will continue to diversify, reducing their dependence on taconite, Sandbulte said.

"In 1990 about 47 percent of our electric revenue will come from sales to taconite plants, compared with 52 percent in 1980 and 39 percent projected for 1994," Sandbulte said.

Despite expectations that taconite production will decline moderately over the next two decades, Sandbulte said his company believes taconite's future is "secure" because the industry trimmed its capacity and costs by one-third in the early- and mid-1980s.

Sandbulte also said: -- The company's electric utility business is anticipating record kilowatt-hour sales in 1990, largely the result of heavy production by taconite customers and wood-products firms.

-- While MP's industrial rates are 25 percent below the national average, the company does not expect to file for higher electric rates "until sometime in 1991, if then."

-- Minnesota Power, in contrast to some coal-burning electric utilities, is "in good shape" environmentally and anticipates little trouble complying with new federal clean-air laws aimed at reducing acid rain and nitrous oxides, because the company's major power plants burn low-sulfur coal and are equipped

with scrubbers.

-- The recent sale of a 100-megawatt interest in Minnesota Power's Clay Boswell Unit 4 power plant to Wisconsin Public Power, Inc. balances MP's supply and demand for the next decade.

-- Minnesota Power's wood-products and taconite customers, served under long-term contracts, increased their contractual commitments to the company by 40 percent earlier this year.

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FLAT ROCK. MI (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Indonesia's Minister of Industry, H.E. Hartarto, and executive vice president of Mazda Motor Corporation, Y. Wada, today attended the official opening ceremony of P.T. Mazda Indonesia Manufacturing (MIM), signaling Mazda's growing presence in that region.

MIM is a joint venture of Mazda Motor Corporation, Indo Mobil Group and Sumitomo Corporation. Indo Mobil Group is Mazda's business associate for assembling and distributing Mazda cars in Indonesia.

The new company will machine and assemble engines and manufacture body sub-assemblies. Initial targeted production is approximately 1,500 units per month.

Products manufactured at the plant will mainly be used in new passenger cars and commercial vehicles scheduled to be introduced in the Indonesian market early in December. Body assembly, painting and final vehicle assembly functions will be completed by a local Indonesian assembler.

These new vehicles will join Mazda's existing model lineup in Indonesia, which includes the 323 and 626 models. With these additions, Mazda expects to boost its share in the Indonesian automobile market, which has experienced strong growth during 1990 -- up 35 percent from 1989 level.

MIM is evidence of Mazda's ongoing strategy to strengthen its operations in Southeast Asia. Mazda's future plans for growth in the area include the development of a regional network of local production facilities to complement one another.

Other recent Mazda efforts in the region include expansion in Thailand, Taiwan Malaysia and the Philippines.

In Thailand, Mazda opened a new distribution and marketing company in operation from August of this year, and will begin production of transmissions

in a new manufacturing plant in 1992. In Taiwan, Mazda has commissioned Ford to produce Mazda 323s for marketing by Mazda Corporation (Taiwan). Mazda is one of three equal partners, along with Ford Motor Company and Sanyo Electric Company, Ltd., that will manufacture automotive audio products in Malaysia. The company is scheduled to launch operations in June 1992. In addition, Mazda recently expanded its model lineup of commercial vehicles in the Philippines.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Occupational-Urgent Care Health Systems Inc. (OUCH) (NASDAQ: OUCH) today announced third quarter 1990 results. Revenue was $5,327,000, up 18 percent from the third quarter of last year. Net income was $677,000 or 7 cents per share, compared to $967,000 or 10 cents per share in the same period of 1989.

"We curtailed our sales effort longer than originally expected while working with Electronic Data Systems Corp. (EDS) to significantly upgrade our processing capability. As forecast, OUCH also incurred higher than historical expense levels to improve systems, marketing and customer service. We are now beginning to see the results of these investments," stated OUCH President W. Robert Keen.

"In October we announced the signing of 26 new clients and a letter of intent to provide service to General Motors in Michigan. This business will be phased in through February of next year. We are continuing to add customers and have also begun providing cost containment services directly in some clients' offices demonstrating the flexibility we now offer."

OUCH provides cost management services designed to reduce medical and processing costs for workers' compensation and group health clients. The company serves clients in California, Texas, Arizona, New Mexico and Oregon and will add Michigan and Florida in the first half of 1991. The company's stock trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol OUCH.

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FRESNO, CALIF. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Gottschalks Inc. (NYSE: GOT) announced that October 1990 sales increased 32 percent to $21.4 million from $16.2 million for the prior year October. Same store sales for the October period increased 13.8 percent. Total third quarter sales increased 25.5 percent, to

$65.2 million, with same store sales increasing 11.8 percent. For the 39 week 1990 period to date, total sales increased 25.1 percent to $179.3 million from $143.4 million for the year earlier 39 week period. Same store sales on a year-to-date basis increased 11.6 percent over the prior year.

"We are pleased with these outstanding October sales results," stated Robert Lawson, the company's Chief Financial Officer. "Our sales increases were broad based with significant growth in all classifications of the business. I believe these results are indicative of our conclusion that the markets we serve are economically strong and certainly were not negatively affected by recession fears.

"The sharp improvement in our sales results provide Gottschalks with a confident basis as we move forward into the critical holiday season. We are well-positioned to take advantage of improved market penetration in the areas currently served by our stores. We are confident that 1990 will be an outstanding year for Gottschalks," concluded Lawson.

Gottschalks is a regional department store chain, currently operating 22 department stores and 34 specialty apparel stores in the Central Valley and Central Coast areas of California. Gottschalks offers moderately to upper moderately priced brand-name fashion merchandise, and is in its 86th year of continuous family management.

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SAN DIEGO, (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Following over two years of construction and an $11 million dollar investment, USAIR today dedicated its new terminal operation at Lindbergh Field.

Edwin I. Colodny, chairman and chief executive officer of USAIR, served as keynote speaker for the dedication ceremony. Also participating were San Diego Councilmember Ron Roberts, and the chairman of the Port of San Diego Board of Airport Commissioners, Milford Portwood.

Included in the 25,000-square-foot facility are eight new gates on an upper level, modern jetways, plus enhanced customer services including a new USAIR Club.

According to Colodny, the USAIR project goes a long way in making Lindbergh Field more efficient and convenient and subsequently a more pleasant experience for the millions of passengers who travel each year.

Starting Thursday, Nov. 8, passengers departing from the USAIR terminal will ride escalators beneath a bright, glass-domed skylight to the second level.

There, they will encounter new gates in a spacious rotunda which includes a gift shop as well as dining and lounge services.

Information on flight numbers and schedules will be electronically displayed at each gate. New seating designed for added comfort has been located at each gate area.

Departing passengers will no longer be subject to the weather. They will now board their flights through modern jetways which have replaced the stairs previously used.

Members of the USAIR Club will be able to wait for their flights in the new 4,100-square-foot facility, one of 26 in the USAIR system and the third club to open on the West Coast. The facility includes conference rooms, work areas telephones, fax machines, refreshments, television and reading materials.

USAIR has approximately 40 flights per day out of San Diego. Local passengers can travel to more than 250 national and international destinations on the USAIR system.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - A 113-percent increase in sales of the all-new 1991 Ford Explorer, a 103-percent increase in sales of the Ford Crown Victoria, and sales gains for the Mercury Sable were recorded by both the Cincinnati Ford and Lincoln-Mercury Sales Districts for October. Ford dealer sales of compact sport utility vehicles registered a 55-percent increase over the same period last year.

"Nationally, October was the seventh time in the past eight months that Ford's share of the truck market increased over a year ago," said J.P. (Pat) Snook, Ford Division's Cincinnati District sales manager.

"But Explorer is not the only factor in this achievement. The continuing strength of both the Ford Aerostar and the Ford Ranger contribute to our truck success, as well as America's best-selling vehicle, the F-Series pickup."

Cincinnati District Lincoln Mercury dealers - ranging from Indianapolis to Pittsburgh - registered increases of five percent in the Mercury Sable line for October. They were the only Lincoln-Mercury dealers nationally to show an increase in Mercury Topaz sales through October vs. the prior year.

"Conventional wisdom seems to be that, sooner or later, the barrage of bad news since early August is bound to take its toll on the automotive market," said Don Kaegi, Lincoln Mercury Division's District sales manager. "So far,

however, sales have exhibited more resilience than anticipated, especially considering the steep declines in consumer confidence.

"Now that the deficit-reduction agreement has been reached, we hope that interest rates will be reduced, and, thus, bolster consumer confidence and enable the national economy to minimize a possible recession."

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WESTMINSTER, COLO. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - R.F. Engineering Inc. today shipped the SI series of automatic speaker switches. The SI series of automatic speaker switches allows two different audio amplifiers (i.e., a stereo television and a hi-fi system) to be connected to a single pair of loudspeakers. The SI detects which source is delivering a signal and routes the signal to the speakers. This ends the need for extra speakers and for running the stereo TV through the amp's auxiliary input.

Many people with stereo television sets have been inconvenienced by multiple speakers cluttering a room or by the need to turn on their complete hi-fi systems to watch television in stereo. Many have installed manual A-B switches in their systems to allow them to switch their speakers between the hi-fi and television. The manual switch remedies the excess speaker problem, but the owner must still manually activate the switch to the device running. The SI series will automatically switch by detecting which device is sending a signal.

The home theater and complete home installation is also becoming very popular. There are many times when an audio system is running in every room in the home. These whole house systems are well designed, but when someone wants to listen to their own hi-fi or TV in a particular room, they must manually switch off the whole house system in that room. The SI series will automatically switch out the whole house system and switch in the local system. It will always do this without requiring any aid from the home owner.

"The custom installation of home audio and video systems is becoming very popular" said Cynde Fleck of R.F. Engineering. "There are many obstacles in making the systems easy to use. You don't want the owner to have to remember to switch a lot of equipment on and off. That is where the SI comes into play. It automatically does the switching and the owner never has to worry or remember what to do."

R.F. Engineering's Richard Reisbick said, "Most of our sales go to the professional installer. They are interested in making their installations as easy to use as possible for the home owner. Many of the installers use the SI switches to allow a TV to use the same speakers as the whole house system.

Others have used them to switch children's hi-fi systems in their room from the whole house system. Some installers have even used the SI to override the stereo systems so the telephone or doorbell chimes can be heard. When these chimes are activated the SI switches off the stereo signal and turns on the chimes."

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BOISE, IDAHO, (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - William J. Agee, chairman and chief executive officer of Morrison Knudsen Corp. (MK) (NYSE: MRN), today announced that MK has acquired Centennial Engineering Inc. Centennial, headquartered in Arvada, Colo., is a major regional transportation engineering and construction-management firm with offices in Oakland and Irvine, Calif.; Salt Lake City; and Colorado Springs, Colo.

"Centennial is a firmly established company with a strong management team," Agee said. "Its excellent reputation throughout the Rocky Mountain and central plains areas and its very strong engineering presence in California will reinforce MK's strategy to expand our efforts in growing transportation markets."

Agee added that acquisition of the 225-person firm will provide a platform to enhance MK's ability to secure highway, airport, rail and commercial real estate projects. "We welcome Centennial into the MK family," said Agee. "It's a good fit for both companies."

Morrison Knudsen Corp., headquartered in Boise, is an international engineering/design, construction, environmental, rail systems and mining company.

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MIAMI (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Burger King Corporation announced today the purchase of 27 Burger King(R) restaurants from Erin Food Systems, Inc. in New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

The $48 million purchase represents one of the largest acquisitions in the history of Burger King Corporation. Burger King Corporation assumes ownership of the restaurants and their related real estate and other assets.

"This agreement not only represents one of our largest acquisitions of company restaurants," said Barry J. Gibbons, chief executive officer, Burger King

Corporation, "it demonstrates our continuing commitment to develop the Burger King Brand and the opportunities we see in the Northeast region of the United States." Burger King has recently developed two other restaurants locations in New Hampshire and will continue to assess growth potential in the area.

The acquisition now positions Burger King Corporation as one of the largest employers in New Hampshire with more than 1,200 employees. The former restaurant employees of Erin Food Systems, Inc. will be offered similar positions within Burger King Corporation.

Burger King Corporation was acquired by Grand Metropolitan in January 1989. One of the United Kingdom's largest international companies, Grand Metropolitan is a world leader in the food, drinks, and retailing businesses.

U.S. subsidiaries also include The Pillsbury Company, Haagen-Dazs, Alpo Pet Foods, Carillon Importers, Heublein, Inc., The Paddington Corporation, and Pearle, Inc.

Burger King Corporation and its franchisees operate more than 6,000 restaurants in 36 countries worldwide. In Fiscal Year 1989, Burger King had systemwide sales of $5.7 billion.

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NEW YORK, (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Kidder, Peabody & Co. Incorporated announced today the appointment of Richard A. Buch as vice president and portfolio manager of its High Yield Asset Management Group. He will report to Jim Tucker, senior vice president and head of the group. The appointment is effective immediately.

Buch was recruited from Reliance Group Holdings where he was part of a three person team managing a $2.3 billion high yield bond portfolio. "Richard Buch brings to Kidder strong credit analysis and portfolio management skills that will enhance the groups existing capabilities," said Tucker.

Buch received an M.B.A. from Cornell University in 1985 and a B.S. in management from the State University of New York at Binghamton.

Kidder, Peabody, a subsidiary of General Electric Company (NYSE: GE), is a leading global investment banking and brokerage concern with 5,500 employees and over 50 offices worldwide.

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TORONTO (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited (NASDAQ: AEAGF) announced today the discovery of a significant new gold zone in Joutel during ongoing surface exploration. The new discovery is located 2600 feet west of the Eagle Mine shaft on claims wholly owned by Agnico-Eagle Mines.

The Exploration Division of Agnico-Eagle Mines has been aggressively exploring the extensive Joutel land-holdings over the last two years. The exploration has resulted in a detailed understanding of the regional geology and the environment and controls of the Eagle-Telbel deposits. In the spring of 1990, diamond drilling confirmed the extension of iron carbonate horizons, the host to the Eagle-Telbel deposits, over a distance of 7 Km to the west of the deposits. These horizons were previously unexplored and are located approximately 1000 feet south of the Mine Horizon.

Three diamond drill holes have recently tested this stratigraphy where it lies adjacent to a major structure near the Eagle-Telbel Mines. These holes have confirmed that a major stratigraphic package similar to the one at Eagle-Telbel Mines exists in this location and that the structure is parallel, and has many similarities with, the structure which controls the Eagle and Telbel deposits. Alteration and gold mineralization is very similar to better parts of the known deposits.

The results from the three holes are:

Hole No.	Section	Elevation (feet)	Core Length (feet)	Grade (oz/ton)	True width (feet)
AE 90-13	66+00W	120	18.0	0.621	13.0
		including	13.0	0.806	9.4
AE 90-16	67+00W	100	55.5	0.315	42.5
		including	19.0	0.429	14.0
		and	10.0	0.486	7.5
AE 90-17	66+00W	220	30.0 plus?	(A)	23.0

A -- Currently unavailable, coring in mineralization. Eight feet of core was lost in the intersection AE 90-16. Lost core has been included at Nil grade.

The known Eagle and Telbel deposits have a surface-projected strike length of 7000 feet and have been the focus of production from surface to a depth of 3600 feet. The known deposits have produced over 1 million ounces of gold and past production and reserves for the deposits total 8 million tons grading 0.188 oz Au/ton.

The new zone is open in all directions. Only one previous hole has tested the horizon 1300 feet to the west of Hole AE 90-13. The stratigraphy can be traced to the current limit of surface geophysics for a strike length of 3000

feet. The location of the Eagle and Telbel Mine workings will easily facilitate the drill testing of the new zone to depth. A second surface diamond drill will be mobilized at the site shortly and underground diamond drilling with two machines will commence shortly thereafter.

Agnico-Eagle is unaware of any other corporate developments that would account for the recent activity in the stock.

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EL PASO, Texas (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas S. Jensen, 34, has been elected a vice president of El Paso Natural Gas Co. with responsibility for the company's marketing activities, William A. Wise, president and chief executive officer has announced.

Jensen replaces Robert J. Evans who has announced his intention to leave El Paso Natural.

Jensen, who has been with El Paso since 1980, served in the company's Office of General Counsel from 1980 to 1986 when he was named director of gas purchases.

He is a graduate of St. John's University of Collegeville, Minn., and earned a doctorate in law from the University of Iowa, graduating in 1980. He is a member of the American, Texas and Iowa Bar Associations, and is active in the Natural Gas Society of North Texas, Natural Gas Society of the Permian Basin, and Rocky Mountain Natural Gas Association.

Married, he and his wife and daughter live in El Paso. El Paso Natural Gas Co. is a major interstate natural gas transmission company which supplies half of the natural gas used in the state of California. It also serves west Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and southern Nevada. It is a subsidiary of Seattle-based Burlington Resources, which has interests in energy and natural resources.

CONTACT: John H. McFall of El Paso Natural Gas Co., 915-541-3449 (office) or 505-589-0098 (home)

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#90311p4356 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting held Wednesday, Nov. 7, 1990, the board of directors of Houston Lighting & Power Company (HL&P) declared a cash dividend of $1.94 on its Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A, and a cash dividend of $1.88 on its Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock Series B.

The board also declared the regular quarterly dividends on the $6.72, $7.52, $9.52, $9.08, $8.12, $9.04, $8.50, and $9.375 Series Preferred Stock.

Quarterly Cash Dividend No.	Quarterly Cash Dividend Amount	No. of Shares	Series
90	$1.68	250,000	$6.72
73	1.88	500,000	7.52
61	2.38	400,000	9.52
59	2.27	400,000	9.08
53	2.03	500,000	8.12
48	2.26	300,000	9.04
27	1.94	500,000	A
22	1.88	500,000	B
14	2.125	1,000,000	8.50
7	2.34375	1,285,000	9.375

All dividends are payable on Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Sandy Brendler, 713-629-3123, or Dan Bulla, 713-629-3120, of Houston Industries.

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#90311p4359 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Samson Energy Co. Limited Partnership (AMEX: SAM) announced today the recent completion of an acquisition from Seagull Energy Corp. of 37 producing properties located in seven counties in southeastern Texas, three parishes in Louisiana, and Columbia County in southwestern Arkansas. Interests acquired in these properties represent estimated proved reserves of approximately 383,000 barrels of oil and .7 billion cubic feet of natural gas. The purchase price is approximately $3,000,000, subject to post closing adjustments. Affiliates of Samson Energy also purchased interests in the same properties. 88 of the acquired wells located on these producing properties will be operated by Samson Resources Co.

"This acquisition provides a significant increase in the company's proved oil reserves. The reserves acquired in this purchase increase Samson Energy's proved oil reserves as of Dec. 31, 1989 by 35 percent and represent more than 150 percent of the expected 1990 oil production of Samson Energy (excluding production from these acquired properties). Coupled with additional producing property purchases and new development drilling in 1990, Samson Energy is expected once again to more than replace its 1990 oil and natural gas production," according to Dennis R. Neill, senior vice president and chief operating officer of Samson Properties Inc., the general partner.

"The purchase of these properties, which are primarily producing oil, appears

to be very favorable at the current time, given the higher price being received for crude oil and the relative importance of domestic energy reserves. Several of the properties are located on Gulf Coast salt domes, which tend to provide significant redrill opportunity. Several drilling locations on these properties will be identified and drilled over the next two years, which should further enhance the total expected reserves," stated Mr. Neill.

Samson Energy Co. is a publicly traded master limited partnership whose principal business activities include the development and operation of oil and gas properties and the acquisition of additional producing properties. Depository receipts evidencing units are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "SAM".

CONTACT: Dennis R. Neill Samson Properties Inc., 918-583-1791.

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#90311p4362 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLENWOOD, ILL. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Tech/Ops Landauer Inc. (AMEX: TO) reported net income of $6,509,000, or $1.54 per share, in the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company, a recognized leader in radiation monitoring services, had 1989 net income of $6,389,000 or $1.51 per share. Revenues for the year were $24,736,000, compared to $25,902,000 recorded in 1989.

While the company's traditional radiation dosimetry business continued to increase from year-to-year, revenues from radon gas testing services were well below year-earlier levels, when in the first quarter of FY '89 there was a large but brief volume of such business.

For the fourth fiscal quarter, the company had net income of $1,775,000 or $.42 per share on revenues of $6,694,000, compared to fourth quarter 1989 net income of $1,675,000, or $.40 per share, on revenues of $5,811,000.

TECH/OPS LANDAUER INC.
Financial Highlights -- 1990
(in thousands, except per share data)

Periods ended	Three Months		12 Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$ 6,694	$ 5,811	$ 24,736	$ 25,902
Operating income	2,473	2,438	9,353	9,662
Income before income taxes	2,780	2,603	10,294	10,234
Income taxes	1,005	928	3,785	3,845
Net income	$ 1,775	$ 1,675	$ 6,509	$ 6,389
Income per common share	$.42	$.40	$1.54	$1.51
Average shares outstanding	4,236	4,236	4,236	4,236

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE-- The Turner Corporation (AMEX: TUR), the nation's leading general builder, today announced a net income of $1.76 million or $0.36 per share for the third quarter of 1990. This compares with net income of $1.49 million in the third quarter of 1989 and $1.78 million in the second quarter of this year.

"Our earnings are generally on target so far this year; however, we are also experiencing some of the effects of the industry-wide slowdown in construction starts from new construction sales for this year," commented Alfred T. McNeill chairman of The Turner Corporation. "This slowdown may have an adverse impact on earnings in the fourth quarter and, therefore, our targeted earnings for the year."

During the third quarter of 1990, Turner completed $817 million of construction and secured $780 million of new contracts.

Based in New York City, The Turner Corporation, through Turner Construction Company and other construction subsidiaries, is the nation's largest builder of commercial, industrial, hospital and healthcare, institutional, government building and multi-unit housing projects. Operating through 34 offices, Turner has construction projects underway throughout the United States and abroad.

During 1989, the Turner Corporation put in place $3.6 billion of new construction.

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#90311p4369 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Hinderliter Industries Inc. (AMEX: HND) announced today a year-end loss for fiscal year ending June 30, 1990, of $8,362,000 compared to a loss for the same period a year earlier of $24,000. The loss amounted to $2.32 per share compared to a loss of 1 cent per share in 1989. Hinderliter intends to mail its Annual Report to the shareholders before the end of November.

Richard H. Hughes, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Hinderliter, stated that the 1990 loss resulted from Hinderliter's commitment to divest of all assets unrelated to its 80 percent owned subsidiary, Corken International Corp., and to reserve for all contingencies. Hughes pointed out that the company's operating profit before consideration of non-recurring

charges was $547,000 in 1990 compared to an operating loss of $206,000 in 1989. Of the non-recurring charges incurred in 1990, approximately $3,700,000 related to Hinderliter's litigation with Signal Capital Corp.; $800,000 to the termination of all refinancing activities, including withdrawal of an S-1 Filing; and $900,000 for retirement, severance and relocation costs. Hinderliter's operational profit in 1990 improved over 1989 by $753,000 before consideration to these one-time charges.

Hinderliter previously announced that an adverse verdict was rendered in the State Court of San Antonio, Texas, for approximately $3,300,000 relating to legal fees and trial expenses in the counter-claim lawsuit by Signal Capital Corp. against Hinderliter, which arose from Hinderliter's $28 million lender liability suit against Signal Capital Corp. Hughes said that the company intends to vigorously appeal the verdict, and at the present time, the court plans to hear arguments on the verdict on Dec. 17, 1990. Consequently, Arthur Andersen's audit has been prepared assuming that the company will continue as a going concern. Hughes also said that Hinderliter is exploring all options to protect Hinderliter's shareholders, assuming the jury verdict becomes a judgment, including but not limited to, seeking protection by filing for a Plan of Reorganization in Bankruptcy under Chapter 11.

Hughes further announced that Hinderliter's board of directors had approved a Shareholders' Right Plan and declared a dividend distribution of one share purchase right on each outstanding share of Hinderliter common stock. Each right will entitle shareholders to buy one share of Hinderliter common stock for each share owned. The rights would not be exercisable until 10 days after an acquired purchased 20 percent of the outstanding common stock of Hinderliter, or 10 days after a tender offer or an exchange offer is announced which would cause the offer to own 25 percent of the outstanding common stock of Hinderliter, whichever is earlier. The rights expire 10 years after issuance and may be redeemed at a cost of 1 cent per right at any time not later than 10 days after the acquisition of a 20 percent position by any person or group, subject to extension by the board of directors. A 20 percent threshold is increased to 35 percent in the case of Richard H. Hughes, affiliates, and associates who own approximately 29 percent of Hinderliter common stock.

Hughes stated the Shareholders' Rights Plan is designed to assure that all Hinderliter Shareholders receive fair and equal treatment in the event of any proposed takeover of the company and to guard against partial tender offers and other abusive tactics to gain control of Hinderliter without paying all shareholders an appropriate price. Richard H. Hughes stated the Rights are intended to enable all of Hinderliter's shareholders to realize the long-term value of their investment in the company, particularly given the performance of Hinderliter's 80 percent owned subsidiary, Corken International, and may not prevent an acquisition, but are designed to encourage anyone seeking to acquire the company to negotiate with the board of directors. The Rights dividend distribution will be made to the common shareholders of record as of

Oct. 1, 1990. Separate Rights certificates will not be distributed until such time as they become exercisable. The Rights will expire Oct. 1, 2000. The Rights distribution is not taxable to the shareholders.

The American Stock Exchange haulted trading on the AMEX on Oct. 1, 1990, just after the jury verdict of $3,300,000 was announced. The AMEX has notified Hinderliter that effective Nov. 9, 1990, Hinderliter will resume trading. There can be no assurance that the listing will be continued because the company has not satisfied the Exchange's financial guidelines for continued listing.

Corken International, Hinderliter's 80 percent owned subsidiary, recently announced its third consecutive year of record earnings and sales. Corken's net income increase 12.4 percent to $1,278,000 on a sales increase of 16.7 percent to $13,360,000. Earnings per share increased from $.38 per share in 1989 to $.43 per share in 1990. Hughes stated that Hinderliter owns 2,500,000 shares of Corken and is consequently doing everything possible to protect this fine-growth company for Hinderliter's shareholders.

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#90311p4370 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, NJ (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Clinical Homecare Ltd. (NASDAQ: CLHC) today reported increased revenues for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 190.

Revenue for the quarter amounted to $5,150,155, an increase of 52 percent over the $2,834,522 reported for the same period in 1989. Revenue for the nine months amounted to $12,653,477 increasing 82 percent over the same period last year.

Fully diluted earnings per share for the quarter was $.04 increasing $.02 over the last quarter. Fully diluted earnings per share for the nine months amounted to $.08.

Revenue, for the period, increased primarily due to the acquisition of NMSA, in April, 1990 coupled with the company's expansion into new markets. Earnings per share have increased from the second quarter 1990 to the third quarter 1990 due to the increased revenues, coupled with the company's ongoing plan to eliminate duplicate expenses and inefficiencies within the NMSA organization by integrating it into the company's operations.

CHC is engaged in home infusion therapy and the distribution of medical products used in hemodialysis. On Oct. 29, 1990 the company announced that it was withdrawing from the hemodialysis product sales business effective Dec. 31

1990 due to inadequate margins and a $120,000 loss through Sept. 30, 1990.

One of the company's manufacturer's, Haemotronic, SRL of Italy will be taking over the product sales business subject to the signing of a definitive agreement. The company expects no adverse effect on its balance sheet as a result of withdrawing from this business and anticipates an improvement in margins.

CLINICAL HOMECARE LTD. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

Period ended	Third quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Patient services	$3,988,429	$1,998,506	$ 9,434,421	$5,995,416
Product sales	1,161,726	836,016	3,219,056	2,354,211
Total revenue	5,150,155	2,834,522	12,653,477	8,349,627
Cost of sales and services	2,101,805	1,268,088	5,343,468	3,873,362
Gross profit	3,048,350	1,566,434	7,310,009	4,476,265
S,G&A expense	2,238,514	931,648	5,573,031	2,699,687
Provision for doubtful accounts	388,288	200,861	923,731	600,927
Operating profit	421,548	433,925	813,247	1,175,651
Other income, net	12,188	71,180	151,150	313,242
Income before taxes	433,736	505,105	964,397	1,488,893
Provision for income taxes	173,494	202,042	385,758	595,557
Net income	260,242	303,063	578,639	893,336
Income per common share	0.04	(A)	0.08	(A)
Average common shares outstanding	7,435,207	(A)	7,389,458	(A)

(A) - Note: Earnings per share of a private company are not considered meaningful.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	Sept. 30 1990	Dec. 31 1989
ASSETS		
Cash	$ 104,790	$ 737,481
Trade accounts receivable, net	4,426,809	3,085,133
Other current assets	1,553,662	1,311,796
Total current assets	6,085,261	5,134,410
Net other assets	3,627,751	1,291,503
Total	9,713,012	6,425,913
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Total current liabilities	$ 5,160,870	$2,300,341
Other liabilities	678,694	838,646

Stockholders' equity	3,873,448	3,286,926
Total	9,713,012	6,425,913

CONTACT: Edgar Udine of Clinical Homecare, (201) 227-0222.

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ST. PAUL, MN (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines passenger traffic grew 14.7 percent last month compared with October 1989, NWA Inc., Northwest's parent, said today.

Northwest flew 4.25 billion revenue passenger miles in October, up 14.7 percent from the 3.7 billion revenue passenger miles flown in October 1989. Capacity was up 6.9 percent to 6.54 billion available seat miles in October from 6.12 billion a year earlier. Load factor jumped 4.4 points to 64.9 percent.

The airline's cargo ton miles decreased 5.9 percent to 170.5 million from 181.2 million a year earlier.

"We've achieved substantial domestic load factor increases despite the fact that ticket prices increased starting in September," said A.B. Magary, Northwest executive vice president of marketing.

For the first 10 months of 1990, Northwest flew 43.54 billion revenue passenger miles, an increase of 13.6 percent over the 38.33 billion flown in the first 10 months of 1989. Available seat miles were up 11.1 percent to 64.63 billion from 58.17 billion in 1989. Load factor for the 10-month period increased 1.5 points to 67.4 percent from 65.9 percent. Cargo ton miles were down 3 percent to 1.51 billion from 1.55 billion.

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#90311p4375 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - An 84-percent increase in sales of the all-new 1991 Ford Explorer, along with strong gains for the Ford Aerostar, Ford Probe, and Mercury Sable, helped Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) dealers in Indiana finish October with strong sales momentum. For the month, Ford Aerostar and Ford Probe sales increased 16 percent and 64 percent over 1989, respectively.

"Strong light truck sales mirrored a national trend," said Don Laye, Ford Division's Indianapolis District sales manager. "Nationally," said Laye, "October was the seventh time in the past eight months that Ford's share of the truck market increased over a year ago."

In the Cincinnati Lincoln-Mercury Sales District, Mercury Sable sales rose five percent for October. The Lincoln Continental also showed a four-percent sales increase for the first ten months of 1990.

Don Kaegi, sales manager of the Cincinnati Lincoln-Mercury District, which includes most of Indiana, said, "Conventional wisdom seems to indicate that, sooner or later, the barrage of bad news since early August is bound to take its toll on the automotive market."

"So far, however, sales have shown more resilience than anticipated, especially considering the steep declines in consumer confidence. We hope that the recent deficit-reduction agreement will lead to lower interest rates that would bolster consumer confidence."

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#90311p4379 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - National Heritage Inc. (NYSE: NHR) reported today that it has completed the sale of its retirement community management subsidiary, Retirement Corporation of America, to The Fourmidable Group Inc. of Farmington Hills, Mich., and Ronald Cates of Atlanta, Ga., for approximately $2,000,000 in cash and notes.

Robert M. Galecke, President of National Heritage, commented, "This sale is another important step in our strategy to divest of non-core businesses and to focus on our core business, managing long-term care facilities."

In June 1990 National Heritage sold its healthcare products and services subsidiaries and the company is currently in discussions to dispose of its institutional pharmacy operations.

Ronald Cates, speaking for the new owners of Retirement Corporation of America said, "This acquisition better positions The Fourmidable Group to perform asset management and property management on a nationwide basis with locations in over 20 states. As a registered contractor with the Resolution Trust Corp. and the FDIC, we are now able to serve their needs over a much wider geographic area."

Retirement Corporation of America manages 18 retirement communities in 15 states, with approximately 3,000 units, owns one retirement community with 269 units, and leases two retirement communities with 532 units.

The Fourmidable Group Inc. is a property management company with 14,000 residential units (6,000 of which are senior housing units) and several million square feet of commercial office and industrial space under management.

National Heritage Inc. is one of the nation's leading managers of long-term care facilities for the elderly.

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#90311p4382 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD, IL (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Premark International, Inc. (NYSE: PMI) announced today that John M. Costigan has been elected secretary of the corporation effective Dec. 1, 1990. He succeeds John T. Kelly, who is retiring.

Costigan, who has held a variety of senior positions with Premark and its predecessor companies, will continue in his position as senior vice president and general counsel.

Premark International Inc. is a $2.6-billion multinational company that markets premium products under leading brand names such as Tupperware, West Bend, Wilsonart, Hobart, Vulcan, Hartco, Precor and Florida Tile. Premark stock is listed on the New York, Pacific and London stock exchanges.

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#90311p4384 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA, (NOV. 70 PR NEWSWIRE - Cotton States Life and Health Insurance Co. (NASDAQ: CSLH) reported per-share earnings from operations of 20 cents for the third quarter 1990, compared to 28 cents for the third quarter 1989.

Investment transactions produced a 2 cent loss per share for the quarter, compared to a 6 cent gain per share for the third quarter of 1989. Year-to-date earnings from operations increased 5 cents per share from 45 cents to 50 cents per share, while per-share earnings from realized investment gains decreased from 20 cents per share to 6 cents per share.

President and CEO Ridley Howard said the increase in year-to-date earnings from operations was due to the decrease in individual death benefits and an increase in investment income.

One of the company's subsidiaires, CSI Brokerage Services Inc., earned 1 cent per share for the third quarter, while the other, RK Marketing Resources Inc., lost 2 cents per share for the quarter, which is an improvement of 2 cents per share over second quarter 1990.

Howard announced that the company is now licensed to sell life insurance in

Louisiana and has obtained a certificate of authority in Virginia.

Cotton States Life and Health Insurance Co. actively markets life insurance in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee. Its common shares are traded Over-the-Counter under the NASDAQ symbol CSLH.

COTTON STATES LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY
Unaudited Consolidated Summary of Earnings

9 months ended 9/30	1990	1989
Income:		
Premium income	$5,373,916	$5,457,619
Mortality and expense charges earned	2,839,674	2,257,874
Investment income	4,337,380	4,057,208
Realized investment gains	214,862	646,930
Brokerage and other income	350,507	48,370
Total income	13,116,339	12,468,001
Benefits and expenses:		
Life benefits and claims	4,549,929	4,271,008
A&H benefits and claims	1,958,855	1,836,408
Amortization of policy acquisition costs	1,185,708	1,090,367
Operating expenses	3,575,597	3,197,262
Total benefits and expenses	11,270,089	10,395,045
Earnings before federal income taxes	1,846,250	2,072,956
Federal income taxes	313,863	290,214
Net earnings	$1,532,388	$1,782,742
Earnings per share of common stock:	$ 0.56	$ 0.65
Weighted average number of shares used in computing earnings per share	2,746,808	2,748,370

3 months ended 9/30	1990	1989
Income:		
Premium income	$1,809,845	$1,835,435
Mortality and expense charges earned	888,503	816,473
Investment income	1,534,106	1,392,847
Realized investment gains	(45,229)	205,297
Brokerage and other income	106,301	24,010
Total income	4,293,526	4,274,062
Benefits and expenses:		
Life benefits and claims	1,611,467	1,253,734
A&H benefits and claims	686,573	559,128
Amortization of policy		

acquisition costs	345,663	384,622
Operating expenses	1,062,628	988,088
Total benefits and expenses	3,706,331	3,185,572
Earnings before federal income taxes	587,195	1,088,490
Federal income taxes	99,824	152,389
Net earnings	$ 487,371	$ 936,101
Earnings per share of common stock:	$ 0.18	$ 0.34
Weighted average number of shares used in computing earnings per share	2,746,808	2,748,370

CONTACT: Gary Meader, senior vice president/treasurer, or Cindy Swinson, vice president, secretary and general counsel of Cotton States, 404-391-8786

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#90311p4388 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation (NASDAQ: CPTC) announced today that John B. Ferris, former chief financial officer of Super Valu Stores, Inc., has resigned from its board of directors.

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#90311p4389 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Capital Holding Corporation (NYSE: CPH) today declared a dividend of 30 cents per share of outstanding common stock for the first quarter of 1991. The dividend up 3 cents from the fourth quarter of 1990, represents an 11 percent increase and will be payable March 15 to shareholders of record on March 1, 1991. The company has increased the dividend paid on its common stock every year since its founding in 1969.

The board also approved, by an additional 4 million shares, an increase in the maximum number of shares which can be purchased under the corporation's stock repurchase program.

"We continue to believe that our stock holds exceptional value, especially at today's market prices," said Irving W. Bailey II, Capital Holding's chairman, president and chief executive officer. "Repurchase is one way for the company to provide added shareholder value.

"We reactivated our repurchase program on September 17, 1990, and since then the company has bought approximately 1.1 million shares. Treasury shares at the end of October represented approximately 22 percent of shares outstanding

since we began repurchases in 1979," Bailey said.

Also in September, the company's employee pension fund announced that it would purchase up to an additional 550,000 shares. Since that time, the fund has acquired approximately 200,000 shares.

The board also declared a fourth quarter dividend of 27 cents per share of outstanding common stock. The dividend will be payable on December 14, to shareholders of record on November 30, 1990.

A per share dividend of $1.8875 for Capital Holding's adjustable-rate preferred stock will be payable January 15, 1991, to shareholders of record on December 31, 1990. The rate, which was previously announced, represents an annualized yield of 7.55 percent.

Capital Holding is one of the nation's five largest shareholder-owned life insurance organizations, with $16.2 billion in assets and $45.6 billion of life insurance coverage in force.

The corporation offers a broad range of financial services and products through agents, direct-marketing media, investment professionals and retail locations. Its common stock is listed on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the ticker symbol CPH; its preferred stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CPHF.

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RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NC (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - A member of Microelectronics Center of North Carolina's (MCNC) technical staff has come up with a more exact way to etch designs on computer chips and he's agreed to put that process to work for IBM, which will use it for chip packaging.

Steve Bobbio, principal investigator for plasma research programs at MCNC, and Yueh-Se Ho, who has since left MCNC, patented the idea for a split cathode magnetically enhanced reactive ion etcher (MERIE).

They built two units that are now being used at MCNC. One machine is used daily in advance packaging studies of computer chips in MCNC's clean room; the other is used for chip fabrication experiments and demonstrations.

As engineers put together tiny multi-layered packages for complex computer chips which are many times smaller than a human hair, they must create very precise connections that will carry electric current when the chip is in use.

Etching of micro wire patterns is one way to make those precise pathways. Etching requires engineers to lay down a thin film of metal and then chemically or physically remove only the parts that are not needed. What remains are the critical connections.

The MCNC researchers developed a new configuration for the critical portion of the apparatus in which etching occurs. Their design makes that etching process much more accurate and more reliable than ever before. The improvement, Bobbio says, lies in greater control of moving positively-charged particles, called ions, generated from a cloud of plasma gas under pressure that fills the etching chamber.

Inside the chamber, Bobbio has split the energy source, called a cathode, and surrounded it with an external magnetic field or magnetron. When the cathode is powered up, the plasma begins to glow and give off ions.

Bobbio's design lets scientists control the number of ions and their activity by the strength of the magnetron and by the amount of voltage applied to the split cathode. The ions are drawn from the plasma by the magnetron to the edge of the plasma, they strike the surface to be etched and stimulate the chemical process which strips away unwanted material.

By controlling the ion energy, Bobbio says, he makes the etching of the micro wire connections more precise and there is less contamination from loose particles. In addition, he says, he can vary the ion energy to accomodate variations in the pressure on the plasma gas, the kind of gas that is used and the type of chips or packaging material he wants to etch.

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#90311p4397 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

RAHWAY, NJ (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Students gathered at more than 600 colleges and universities across the country recently to participate in a live teleconference, "Why Graduate School in Science and Engineering?", a program sponsored by Merck & Co. Inc.

Produced by the GEM program (National Consortium for Graduate Degrees for Minorities in Engineering and Science, Inc.), the program was aimed at increasing the dwindling number of U.S. students choosing graduate school to prepare for jobs in science and technology.

Participating New Jersey schools included DeVry Technical Institute, Woodbridge, Drew University, Madison, New Jersey Institute of Technology, Newark, Rutgers University, Piscataway, Stockton State College, Pomona, Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, and William Paterson College, Wayne, and Princeton University. The live teleconference originated from The Johns

Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory in Laurel, Md., and the University of Houston.

NASA astronaut Col. Charles F. Bolden, Jr. warned students of the lure of business and finance. "We want to make money instead of widgets," he said. "I think if we can get kids starting in kindergarten and elementary school to understand that it's widgets, it's nuts and bolts, that make things, then we're well on our way to recovery."

Other panelists included industry executives who expressed alarm over the competition within U.S. industry for a small number of scientists. Dr. Barry C. Buckland Sr., director of research and development at Merck and a conference panelist said, "Our future growth depends on having talented...students entering the field."

Students calling in from downlink sites asked questions concerning the disparity of salary between industry and academia for graduating science students, the value of full-time over part-time study, the availability of financial support to continue study, and other topics.

The GEM program is a nonprofit consortium based at the University of Notre Dame. Founded in 1976, GEM's primary mission is to provide fellowship support to minority students at the graduate level in science and engineering.

In addition to sponsoring the videoconference, Merck supports the consortium by offering internships to GEM students. Representing 54 different engineering schools, GEM interns work for their sponsoring organization each summer until they earn their graduate degrees.

In 1987 Merck began to work with some promising GEM engineering students. "I'm getting the kind of experience I could never get in the college setting. I've done research and lab work in industry before, but this is much more challenging," said Darrin Holly, one of Merck's GEM interns.

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#90311p4411 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Polaroid Corporation (NYSE: PRD) announced today it has been awarded a $3.9 million contract with the U.S. Marine Corps Research, Development and Acquisition Command in Arlington, Va. The contract, which was awarded to Polaroid's Holographic Products Division, calls for the production of laser protection devices.

Polaroid's Holographic Products Division entered the defense sector in late 1987 with a contract from the U.S. Army Natick Research Development and Engineering Center, Natick, Mass. Research and development has been proceeding

since then for laser protection for soldier eyewear.

"This contract is an opportunity for Polaroid to apply multiple technologies to meet a difficult technical and operational challenge," said Douglas Marks, holographic products division manager.

"We will be mass-producing products of high quality at low unit cost to meet government needs on a quick turnaround basis." The Polaroid Holographic Products Division develops and manufactures products for display, security, automative and laser eye protection applications.

Polaroid Corporation, with sales of almost $2 billion, is the worldwide leader in high-quality, hard copy instant imaging. The company supplies instant photographic cameras and film; and conventional and electronic visual communication products to the consumer, business, industrial, and scientific markets.

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#90311p4412 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SIOUX CITY, IOWA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The merger of Iowa Resources Inc. (NYSE: IOR) and Midwest Energy Co. (NYSE: MWE) into a new holding company, Midwest Resources Inc., became effective today.

The merger, which was announced March 16, 1990, was approved by shareholders on May 23, 1990. The merger was approved by the Iowa Utilities Board in July, the Securities and Exchange Commission in September, and the Federal Trade Commission in early November.

As required by the merger agreement, Midwest Energy and Iowa Resources have each declared adjustment dividends payable to the holders of record of each company as of the close of business on Nov. 6, 1990. The Iowa Resources adjustment dividend is 2.34 cents per share, reflecting the fact that shareholders of Iowa Resources received a quarterly dividend of 42.5 cents per share on Nov. 2, 1990. The Midwest Energy adjustment dividend is 30.19 cents per share reflecting the fact that shareholders of Midwest Energy received a quarterly dividend of 41 cents per share on Sept. 1, 1990.

The board of directors of Midwest Resources has declared a dividend of 10.29 cents per share payable on Dec. 1, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 19, 1990. This dividend reflects a quarterly dividend rate of 39 cents per share prorated over the period from Nov. 7, 1990 to Dec. 1, 1990.

The common stock of Midwest Resources will be listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol MWR. Trading is expected to begin on Nov. 8, 1990.

Shareholders will soon be sent information regarding the exchange of their common stock certificates into certificates of Midwest Resources.

As a result of the merger, Midwest Resources will own two utility operating companies, Iowa Power Inc. and Iowa Public Service Co. Midwest Resources will also own Midwest Capital Group Inc., under which nonutility subsidiaries will operate. The combined operations of Midwest Resources represented total annual revenues in 1989 of approximately $933 million and total assets of $2.3 billion. Midwest Resources is headquartered in Des Moines, Iowa.

Iowa Power is an electric utility company serving 250,000 customers in central and southwest Iowa, including Des Moines and Council Bluffs. Iowa Public Service provides electric service through its IPS Electric division to 156,000 customers in Iowa and southeastern South Dakota, and natural gas service through its Midwest Gas division to 347,000 customers in Iowa, Minnesota, South Dakota and Nebraska.

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#90311p4414 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWPORT NEWS, VA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Noland Company (NASDAQ-NMS: NOLD) today reported October sales of $36.8 million, 8.2 percent less than October 1989's $40.1 million.

For the first ten months of 1990, the wholesale distribution firm's sales totaled $366.8 million, 4.1 percent below the $382.6 million recorded in the first ten months of 1989.

Sales comparisons between each of the first ten months of 1990 and 1989 are presented in the following table. Also shown is a 1990/89 sales comparison for the 12-month period ending October 31.

Noland operates 93 branches in 13 southern states. The Newport News-based firm distributes products in the plumbing, heating, electrical, air conditioning, refrigeration, and industrial fields, as well as water well drilling equipment. The company's stock is traded over the counter, as part of NASDAQ's National Market System. Its trading symbol is NOLD.

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#90311p4417 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TEXAS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Tracor Applied Sciences Inc., a subsidiary of Tracor, has recieved a contract from the Naval Coastal Systems Center (NCSC), Panama City, Fla., to provide acoustic simulation and modeling

services to support U.S. Navy Acoustic Warfare Programs. The contract is for one base year, representing $3.36 million, and four option years for a total potential value of $17.5 million.

K. Bruce Hamilton, president of Tracor Applied Sciences, said, "Tracor will provide the simulation and modeling disciplines necessary to support NCSC in weapons and countermeasures development programs."

Tracor has provided acoustic simulation and modeling support for NCSC Acoustic Warfare programs since 1973. Hamilton said the contract will be performed by the Tracor Applied Sciences' Analysis & Applied Research Division under the direction of Homer E. Wieland, division vice president, from its operations in Austin, Texas, and Panama City. Wieland said the program will be managed by Terry D. Plemons under the direction of Jerry J. Dow, director of Signal Processing.

Tracor, owned by privately held Westmark Systems Inc. is an international technological products and services company with headquarters in Austin. The company is a significant engineering and support contractor in sonar, communications, and aviation; a leader in the development and production of electronic countermeasures systems and other advanced defense electronics; and a major manufacturer of electrical components.

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#90311p4418 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Margo Nursery Farms, Inc. (NASDAQ: MRGO) today announces its sales and earnings for its third fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company's consolidated sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $1,921,000 compared to $1,973,000 for the same period last year. The company's consolidated sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $6,876,000 which represents a 15 percent increase in sales compared to $5,947,000 for the same period in the prior year.

The company's consolidated pre-tax earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 decreased from $28,000 profit to $50,000 loss. Pre-tax earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $855,000 compared to $316,000 for the same period in the prior year.

The company's consolidated net loss for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $55,000 or .03 per common share, compared to $188,000 profit or .11 per common share for the same period last year. However, the prior years third quarter earnings include $168,000 of extraordinary gain which is a non-recurring item. The company's net profit after taxes, for the nine months

ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $823,000 or .49 per common share, compared to $454,000 or .27 per common share for the same period in the prior year.

MARGO NURSERY FARMS, INC. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL RESULTS (Consolidated)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30,		NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,921,000	$1,973,000	$6,876,000	$5,947,000
Earnings before taxes, extraordinary item and cumm. effect of change in acct. principal	(50,000)	28,000	855,000	316,000
Income taxes	5,000	8,000	32,000	68,000
Extraordinary item	---	168,000	---	168,000
Cumm. effect of change in accounting principal	---	---	---	38,000
Net earnings (loss)	(55,000)	188,000	823,000	454,000
Earnings per share before extraordinary item and cumm. effect of change in acct. principal	(.03)	.01	.49	.15
Extraordinary item	---	.10	---	.10
Income per share from cumm. effect in acct. principal	---	---	---	.02
Net income per share	$(.03)	$.11	$.49	$.27

Margo Nursery Farms, Inc., a publicly held company since February 9, 1987, is engaged in the business of growing and distributing a wide range of both indoor and outdoor tropical foliage and flowering plants.

In addition to products grown by the company at its nurseries in Miami and Dorado, Puerto Rico, the company also distributes plants grown by other nurseries in Florida, Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic.

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#90311p4425 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARCADIA, CA. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Vons Companies Inc. (NYSE: VON) reported sales for the 16-week quarter ended Oct. 7, 1990 of $1,638.5 million compared with $1,598.4 million in the year ago quarter, a 2.5 percent increase. Sales performance reflects a decrease in the number of stores from 334 at the end of the third quarter of 1989 to 321 at the end of the third quarter of 1990, a decrease of 13 stores. Sales in the third quarter on a

same store basis increased 4.5 percent over the comparable year ago quarter. In the third quarter, sales on a same store basis in the original Vons stores increased 1.2 percent and in the acquired stores same store sale increased 11.1 percent.

Third quarter 1990 income before extraordinary item was $13.4 million or $.34 per share compared with a third quarter 1989 loss before extraordinary item of $5.9 million or $.15 per share. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $21.4 million or $.55 per share compared with a third quarter 1989 net loss of $5.9 million or $.15 per share. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 reflects an $8.0 million or $.21 per share extraordinary item for utilization of net operating loss carryforwards.

Operating cash flow (defined as operating income plus depreciation and amortization of property, amortization of goodwill and other assets and LIFO charge) increased to $78.6 million or $2.02 per share in the third quarter of 1990 compared with $49.3 million or $1.27 per share in the year ago quarter. Operating cash flow as a percent of sales was 4.8 percent in the third quarter 1990 compared with 3.1 percent a year ago.

Third quarter 1990 operating improvement over the year ago quarter reflects increased management focus on inventory shrinkage control, buying activities, promotional strategy, product mix and increased labor productivity in the manufacturing and distribution facilities. Additionally, the company achieved selling and administrative benefit from store labor scheduling systems and programs implemented during 1989. However, these improvements were offset by contractual increases in union wages and fringe benefit contributions.

Sales for the 40-week period were $4,072.0 million compared with $3,976.6 million in the year ago period, a 2.4 percent increase. Sales on a same store basis increased 4.0 percent over the comparable prior year period.

For the 40-week period, sales per selling square foot were $673 on an annualized basis. In the original Vons stores, sales per selling square foot were $710 on an annualized basis. For the 40-week period same store sales per selling square foot in the acquired stores were $615 on an annualized basis.

Income before extraordinary item for the 40 weeks ended Oct. 7, 1990 was $32.0 million or $.82 per share compared with a loss before extraordinary item of $28.1 million or $.73 per share in the same period a year ago. Net income of $52.5 million or $1.35 per share for the first three quarters of 1990 compares with a net loss of $28.1 million or $.73 per share in the comparable prior year period. Year to date results in 1990 also reflect a $20.5 million, or $.53 per share, extraordinary item for utilization of net operating loss carryforwards.

At the end of the third quarter, the company had unused bank lines of $208.4 million. Senior debt and capital lease obligations at Oct. 7, 1990 were

$361.2 million, reflecting a decrease of $17.1 million over the second quarter 1990 and a decrease of $52.6 million over year-end 1989. The ratio of operating cash flow to interest expense was 2.7 in the third quarter of 1990.

Cash capital expenditures for the three quarters of 1990 consisted of $74.9 million for new stores, remodels and upgrades and $26.8 million for manufacturing, distribution and support facilities. During the third quarter of 1990, the company's financing strategy was changed from leasing to purchasing for store fixtures and transportation equipment, thereby, increasing cash capital expenditures.

During the first three quarters of 1990 one store was opened and eight stores were closed.

The company also announced that it has adopted an employee stock purchase plan effective Jan. 1, 1991. The source of the stock will be open market purchases and the company will absorb all administrative and commission costs associated with the purchase of the stock.

Vons, headquartered in Arcadia, is the largest retail supermarket in Southern California. The company currently operates 321 stores under the names Vons, Pavilions, Pavilions Place and Tianguis and operates the Jerseymaid dairy and ice cream plant. The Vons Companies Inc. is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol VON.

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#90311p4426 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - MARKEL CORPORATION (NASDAQ-NMS: MAKL) has announced increased operating revenues and pre-tax operating income for third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990. Operating revenues for the third quarter increased 43 percent to $33.2 million and pre-tax operating income increased 6 percent to $2.7 million. For the nine month period, operating revenues were $93.5 million for 1990 compared to $65.3 million for 1989, an increase of 43 percent and pre-tax operating income was $8.1 million for 1990 compared to $7.6 million in 1989, an increase of 7 percent. Net income decreased 17 percent to $3.2 million for the third quarter and decreased 10 percent to $8.6 million for the nine months, due to reduced earnings from investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries caused by lower realized gains on investments. On a per share basis, net income for the quarter was $0.59 in 1990, compared to $0.73 in 1989 and for the nine months, $1.59 per share, in 1990 from $9.6 million, or $1.83 per share, in 1989. Average shares outstanding for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was 5.4 million compared to 5.2 million in 1989.

Revenue growth for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was

realized in all areas of operations. Brokerage commissions increased primarily due to the October 1, 1989 acquisition of certain assets of Rhulen Agency, Inc. Claims operating revenues increased due to internal growth and expansion of new offices. The underwriting operations continue to benefit from greater investment income and profitable underwriting experience. Earnings from investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries was $1.4 million for the quarter and $3.4 million for the nine months in 1990 compared to $2.2 million for the quarter and $4.7 million for the nine months in 1989.

Book value per common share decreased from $11.98 in December 31, 1989 to $10.14 at September 30, 1990 due primarily to unrealized losses on equity securities held by the Company and its unconsolidated subsidiaries.

Markel Corporation is a diversified, specialty insurance organization with operations in the claims management, brokerage and underwriting segments of the industry.

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#90311p4427 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Columbia Gas System Inc. (NYSE: CG) today reported net income for the third quarter of $900,000 or two cents a share, compared to a loss of $7.2 million, or 16 cents a share, in the third quarter of 1989. The earnings improvement resulted from the effect of recent favorable court rulings, partially offset by the effects of several one-time items.

At the same time, Columbia reported that as a part of its plan to improve the future marketability of its gas supply, it is attempting to renegotiate certain Southwest gas purchase contracts and, in some cases, settle related producer litigation. In addition, Columbia said an expected judge's ruling will settle a West Virginia suit involving just compensation to Columbia for condemned coal acreage.

Columbia also announced today that it is filing a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission which describes a proposed offer to sell 2.6 million shares of common stock (approximately 5.5 percent of Columbia shares outstanding).

Columbia's oil and gas and transmission earnings improved in the third quarter while earnings for distribution and other operations declined. Net income from oil and gas operations of $6.4 million was $2.3 million higher than the same period in 1989. The improvement was due largely to higher oil and gas prices and to increased oil production.

Net income from transmission operations increased $8.6 million to $17.6

million primarily because of the court rulings that allow Columbia Gas Transmission Corp. to recoup costs previously paid to other pipelines for expenses related to natural gas production.

The rulings' positive effects were offset in part, however, by additional reserves for future environmental cleanup costs and non-recoupable take-or-pay costs. In addition, Transmission customers carried forward undelivered prepaid volumes from the 1989-1990 heating season, lowering Transmission's gas sales in the third quarter.

Distribution operations had a higher loss than normally experienced in the summer months. The loss rose to $21.7 million from $19.4 million, in spite of increases in sales and transportation volumes, largely because distribution operating expenses continue to outpace authorized rate recovery.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Columbia's net income was $43.9 million, or $.94 a share, compared to $73.1 million, or $1.61 a share in 1989. Warmer weather was a primary reason for the $29.2 million decline. Both 1990 and 1989 were warmer than normal, but the first nine months of 1990 have been almost 14 percent warmer than the same period last year.

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#90311p4432 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Columbia Gas System Inc. (NYSE: CG) announced today the filing of a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission concerning an offering of 2.6 million shares of common stock.

Of the shares, 2.2 million will be offered in the United States and Canada by a syndicate headed by Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc.; Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp.; The First Boston Corp. and Prudential-Bache Capital Funding.

A group of international underwriters headed by Morgan Stanley International; Credit-Suisse First Boston Ltd.; Donaldson, Lufkin Jenrette International and Prudential-Bache Capital Funding will offer 400,000 shares internationally. Columbia will grant the U.S. underwriters an option to purchase up to 390,000 additional shares for the purpose of covering overallotments.

The last reported sales price of Columbia's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on Nov. 6, 1990, was $53 per share.

The Columbia Gas System Inc. is one of the largest natural gas systems in the United States and is composed of the parent holding company, a service company and 19 other subsidiaries. Columbia subsidiaries form an integrated natural gas system which has three primary business segments engaged in the

exploration for and production of oil and natural gas, natural gas transmission and natural gas distribution. Columbia Gas was organized under the laws of the State of Delaware on Sept. 30, 1926, and is a registered holding company under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935.

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#90311p4435 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Clarence W. Keel, President and Chief Executive Officer of Seaboard Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: SEAB), the holding company of Seaboard Savings Bank, F.S.B., announced net operating losses for the nine months ended September 30, 1990, totalling $299,352 or $.34 per share. This compared to an operating loss of $818,102 or $.92 per share for the comparable nine months of 1989.

During 1990, after tax losses for the third quarter were $84,830 as compared to losses of $92,891 for the second quarter and $121,632 for the first quarter. This improvement was due primarily to an increase in net interest income. For the third quarter of 1989 the net after tax loss was $850,563.

The effect of non-earning assets on interest margin was a major cause of the reported losses. Interest income not recorded on non-earning assets during 1990 totalled approximately $480,000 of which approximately $115,000 related to the third quarter. Also, for the nine months ended September 30, 1990, Seaboard increased its provision for loss reserves on loans and foreclosed real estate by $181,576. During the comparable period of 1989, this provision was $722,122.

Total assets at September 30, 1990, were $106,974,037 as compared to $115,038,818 at September 30, 1989. Stockholders' equity at September 30, 1990, was $6,438,142 or 6.02 percent of total assets. Seaboard Savings Bank, F.S.B. met all of its regulatory capital requirements as of September 30, 1990.

Seaboard Bancorp, Inc. is a savings and loan holding company which resulted from the conversion of Seaboard Savings and Loan Association into Seaboard Savings Bank, F.S.B., a federally chartered savings bank, and its reorganization into the holding company structure. The conversion and reorganization were effective October 31, 1990. The Savings Bank provides mortgage and retail banking services principally in the Hampton Roads area of Virginia. Headquartered in Virginia Beach, Virginia, Seaboard has five offices, two in Virginia Beach, one in Chesapeake, one in Norfolk, and one in Portsmouth. Currently Seaboard Bancorp has approximately 900 stockholders and 891,184 shares of stock outstanding.

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#90311p4443 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Ciprico Inc. (NASDAQ: CPCI) today announced that its board of directors voted in favor of authorizing a cash dividend of 20 cents per share to holders of its common stock. The dividend will be payable on Nov. 29, 1990, to holders of record at the close of business on Nov. 20, 1990.

Robert H. Kill, president and chief executive officer said, "The past year was a challenge for us as well as our shareholders. We want to reward their patience and commitment. Ciprico has approximately $5 million in cash with no debt. Payment of the dividend will not inhibit our future growth plans."

Ciprico is a designer, manufacturer and marketer of intelligent controllers and adapters for disk and tape storage drives. The company's common stock trades on the NASDAQ national market system under the symbol CPCI.

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#90311p4444 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
LONDON (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Maxwell's Mirror Group is to launch a U.S. daily racing paper, The Racing Times, next spring. Steven Crist, formerly chief racing writer of the New York Times, is to be the paper's editor-in-chief.

Maxwell's Mirror Group Newspapers publishes The Sporting Life, the world's oldest and most prestigious racing daily, in the United Kingdom.

The Racing Times will be a quality daily making full use of the new page make-up and color printing technologies so successfully exploited by the Life in the U.K., although the style of the paper will be necessarily tailored to the U.S. market.

Mirror has also acquired the database of past racing results previously used to publish Figs Form. The database has the U.S. racing results for the last four years.

Maxwell said: "The spread of off-track betting in the U.S. presents The Racing Times with a tremendous opportunity to replicate The Sporting Life's U.K. success story across the Atlantic."

Crist said: "This is an important step forward for American racing and I am looking forward to it immensely. The Daily Racing Form monopoly has not served U.S. racing well and I am sure our entry into the market will benefit both handicappers and industry professionals."

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#90311p4456 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAMPTON, N.H. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, The Henley Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: HENG) had a loss from continuing operations and a net loss of $10 million, or 51 cents per share, compared with a loss of $43 million, or $2.18 per share, from continuing operations in the corresponding period of last year. Net revenues for the quarter were $458 million, the same as in the July-September period of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, Henley posted a loss from continuing operations and a net loss of $114 million, or $5.79 per share, compared with a loss from continuing operations of $105 million, or $5.28 per share, in the corresponding period of 1989. Income from discontinued operations of $14 million, or 71 cents per share, resulted in a net loss of $91 million, or $4.57 per share, in the first nine months of last year. Net revenues increased to $1.422 billion from $1.087 billion.

THE HENLEY GROUP, INC.
Financial Highlights
(in millions, except per share amounts)

	Three months ended Sept. 30,		Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989-(a)	1990	1989-(a)
Net revenues	$458	$458	$1,422	$1,087
Loss from continuing operations	(10)	(43)	(114)	(105)
Income from discontinued operations	---	2	---	14
Net income (loss)	(10)	(41)	(114)	(91)
Earnings (loss) per common share:				
Continuing operations	$(.51)	$(2.18)	$(5.79)	$(5.28)
Discontinued operations	---	.10	---	.71
Net earnings (loss) per common share	$(.51)	$(2.08)	$(5.79)	$(4.57)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	19.7	19.7	19.7	19.9

NOTE: (a)-1989 has been restated to reflect the results of Henley Properties Inc. as discontinued operations. The nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, also reflects the consolidation of Pneumo Abex Corporation effective June 1, 1989.

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EDMONTON, ALBERTA (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Banister Inc. (Montreal, Toronto: BAC) announced today net income of $1,704,000 or 29 cents per share on revenues of $189,616,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with a net loss of $4,118,000 or 69 cents per share on revenues of $216,980,000 for the same period in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net loss was $5,828,000 or 98 cents per share on revenues of $516,943,000. This compares with a net loss of $3,832,000 or 64 cents per share on revenues of $454,164,000 for the corresponding period in 1989.

The third quarter profit is mainly due to increased pipeline construction activity.

At Sept. 30, 1990 the corporation reported a backlog of work amounting to $371,407,000, compared to $637,246,000 for the corresponding period in 1989.

Banister Inc. is a Canadian construction firm specializing in civil, marine, utility, building, pipeline and industrial construction.

CONTACT: William M. Bateman, president and CEO of Bannister International, 403-462-9430

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DALLAS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - MCorp announced today that it and State National Bancshares Inc., a company owned by an El Paso-based investor group, have agreed to terminate their agreement pursuant to which State National Bancshares Inc. was to purchase 79 percent of the outstanding stock MBank El Paso, N.A. MCorp and State National Bancshares agreed to the termination in order that MCorp could move forward with a possible acquisition of MBank El Paso by other interested parties. A spokesman for MCorp stated that a number of other parties have expressed interest in acquiring MBank El Paso and are expected to conduct due diligence investigations of the bank within the near future, but that no offers have been received from any potential acquiror.

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#90311p4466 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAUKEGAN, ILL. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Outboard Marine Corp. (NYSE: OM) today declared a cash dividend of 20 cents per share, payable Dec. 28, 1990, to

holders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

Outboard Marine Corp. is a leading international marketer of marine engines, boats, accessories and services.

CONTACT: Wayne E. Jones, vice president-strategic planning and investor relations of Outboard Marine, 708-689-5246

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#90311p4469 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Missiles Division of LTV Missiles and Electronics Group has received a full-scale production contract from the U.S. Army for a new conventional, surface-to-surface missile known as the Army Tactical Missile System, or Army TACMS.

The U.S. Army Missile Command awarded LTV a $126.3 million fixed- price contract for full-scale production of 318 Army TACMS missiles together with associated equipment and repair parts. The Army this week announced a $63.1 million incremental payment on the contract.

Work will be performed principally at the Missiles Division headquarters near Dallas. Final assembly of the missiles will be done at LTV's El Paso, Texas, facility. Delivery of the 318 missiles is expected to be completed by late 1992.

The Army awarded LTV its first low-rate initial production contract for Army TACMS in February 1989. The $44.6 million fixed price contract was for delivery of 66 missiles together with associated equipment and repair parts. In February 1990, LTV was awarded its second low-rate initial production contract for $66.4 million for 104 missiles and associated equipment and repair parts.

The Army TACMS full-scale development program was successfully completed in June with the test firing of the last missile of the operational test phase at White Sands Missile Range, N.M. During operational testing, the Army tests the system under actual field conditions.

LTV won the competition to design and produce Army TACMS in March 1986 after almost a decade of research and testing. The resulting conventional missile will give Army battlefield commanders the capability to attack enemy ground targets at long ranges and disrupt the flow of reinforcements.

Each missile is approximately 13 feet long, 2 feet in diameter and has a range of more than 60 miles (100+ kilometers).

The launcher for Army TACMS is another LTV product, the M270 launcher which also fires Multiple Launch Rocket System (MLRS) rockets. Each M270 launcher

is capable of carrying two Army TACMS missiles packed in individual containers. Both the launcher and the MLRS rockets are produced at LTV's Camden, Ark., facility.

The addition of Army TACMS to the arsenal of M270-delivered weapons will provide Army commanders with two options. They can attack ground targets near the front line of battle with MLRS rockets or attack long-range with Army TACMS missiles from the same launcher.

The initial production missiles will be for attacking enemy troops, supplies and equipment. Each missile warhead will contain about 950 M-74 high-explosive bomblets, approximately the size and shape of a tennis ball. They are dispersed over the target area, detonating on impact.

Key features of the Army TACMS missile include a solid fuel rocket motor and a ring laser gyro inertial guidance unit.

Atlantic Research Corp. of Alexandria, Va., is the rocket motor supplier. The Military Avionics Division of Honeywell Inc., in Clearwater, Fla., produces the H700-3A guidance unit.

CONTACT: Mike Drake of LTV Missiles and Electronics Group, 214-266-1801

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#90311p4476 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAUKEGAN, ILL. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Outboard Marine Corp. (OMC) (NYSE: OM) today reported losses for its 1990 fiscal year and fourth quarter, which ended Sept. 30.

The recreational marine products company attributed its losses to reduced sales resulting from a cyclical downturn in its industry and a general slowdown in the U.S. economy, as well as a number of restructuring and other one-time charges taken to reduce costs and improve its competitive position.

For the year, OMC reported a net loss of $75.5 million or $3.89 per share. According to OMC, $28.5 million after tax, or $1.47 per share, of the 1990 net loss was attributable to restructuring and other one-time charges. The company reported net earnings of $21 million, or $1.09 per share, from continuing operations in 1989.

OMC said its 1990 sales fell 22 percent to $1.15 billion from $1.46 billion in 1989. In the severely depressed U.S. marine products marketplace, OMC's sales fell 29 percent in 1990 from 1989, while its sales outside the U.S. increased 4 percent in the year. OMC's 1989 sales and earnings exclude the contributions of its former Lawn-Boy and Cushman divisions, which were sold in the fall of 1989.

For its fourth quarter, OMC reported a net loss of $41.4 million, or $2.13 per share. The company said $18.8 million after tax, or 97 cents per share, of the net loss was the result of restructuring and other one-time charges. By comparison, it reported a net loss from continuing operations of $1.7 million, or eight cents per share for the same quarter in 1989.

OMC reported sales of $293 million for the 1990 fourth quarter, compared with sales of $386 million for the same quarter in 1989. The company said its U.S. sales fell 32 percent in the 1990 fourth quarter, while its sales outside the U.S. were flat.

On a pre-tax basis, OMC said its restructuring and other one-time charges totaled $46 million for the past year and $30.4 million for the fourth quarter. Approximately $27 million of the total pre-tax charges for the year according to OMC, were for severance costs and expenses to close facilities. Approximately another $15 million of the total pre-tax charges for the year were for costs associated with a previously announced product recall of the company's stern drive engines. The remainder of the charges were incurred for other one-time costs related to OMC's engine manufacturing and distribution systems.

In its cost reduction efforts, OMC has closed or mothballed a total of 10 outboard motor and boat manufacturing plants in the U.S., Canada and Australia consolidating manufacturing into other plants. The company also reduced its salaried staff by approximately 16 percent, or more than 600 jobs, during the year.

Outboard Marine Corp. is a leading international marketer of marine engines, boats, accessories and services.

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#90311p4477 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

PANAMA CITY, FL (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Florida First Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: FFPC) announced that it experienced a loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $277,000 or $.15 per share compared to a loss of $362,000 or $.19 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, the savings bank recorded losses of $960,000 or $.51 per share and $1.2 million or $.62 per share, respectively.

However, losses before income tax benefits decreased substantially to $277,000 and $960,000 for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to

$406,000 and $1.6 million for the same periods in 1989.

Total net non-performing assets, which include non-accrual loans, real estate owned ("REO") and troubled debt restructurings, totaled $28.2 million at Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $29.5 million at Dec. 31, 1989.

The provision for loan losses decreased by $128,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and increased $48,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to the same periods in 1989.

The decrease for the third quarter of 1990 reflected a reduction in the amount of new non-performing assets during such period as compared to the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. The nine month comparative increase reflected the effects of erosion on the market values of collateral securitizing loans held by the savings bank.

Andrew W. Stein, president and chief executive officer stated, "We will never be pleased reporting quarterly losses to our shareholders, but we are encouraged by the improving financial condition of the savings bank. The 1990 third quarter operating results are the best in eight quarters reflecting a trend of gradual quarterly improvements. Our loans on non-accrual and REO totaled $24.4 million at Sept. 30, 1990, the lowest level since 1987 while our net interest spread of 2.15 percent is the best since 1988."

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to the same period in 1989, total operating expenses decreased by $831,000 reflecting improvements in all categories of non-interest expenses (except professional fees) with significant reductions in compensation and benefits, advertising costs, real estate owned operating expense and other operating expense.

For the same comparative periods, other operating income decreased by $383,000 primarily due to decreases in gains on the sale of investments and real estate. Total assets decreased from $284.4 million at Dec. 31, 1989 to $280.1 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

This decrease primarily reflected decreases in net loans receivable, cash and interest-bearing deposits offset partially by increases in investments. Liquid assets were used to fund maturing public deposits of approximately $8.4 million. Total deposits concurrently decreased from $208.1 million at Dec. 31, 1989 to $203.5 million at Sept. 30, 1990 while total borrowings increased slightly by $189,000.

Stockholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990 was $12.0 million or $6.41 per share compared to $12.9 million or $6.92 per share at Dec. 31, 1989 reflecting the loss incurred for the first nine months of 1990.

The savings bank continues to meet all three capital requirements applicable under current regulations. Core and tangible capital both amounted to 4.3

percent of total adjusted assets, which is in excess of the 1.5 percent and 3.0 percent requirements, respectively. Risk-based capital was 6.5 percent of total risk-based assets, slightly exceeding the current requirement of 6.4 percent.

However, the savings bank does not believe that it will be able to meet the higher risk-based capital requirement which will go into effect on Dec. 31, 1990.

The savings bank expects in the near future to enter into a supervisory agreement with the Office of Thrift Supervision due to the savings bank's high level of nonperforming assets. It is expected that the agreement will substantially limit the savings bank's ability to originate commercial and multi-family mortgage loans.

The savings bank had already limited such activities prior to the proposed imposition of the supervisory agreement. The savings bank does not anticipate that the agreement will have any material adverse impact on its operations since the savings bank had already modified its operations in the manner expected to be required by the agreement.

The savings bank conducts business through nine full-service offices and is the largest thrift institution headquartered in the Florida Panhandle. Florida First Federal's common shares trade under the symbol "FFPC" on the NASDAQ National Market System.

FLORIDA FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Dollars in Thousands - Except Per Share Amounts)

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
(unaudited)		
Total assets	$280,069	$284,381
Loans receivable and Mortgage-backed securities (net)	221,331	227,475
Deposits	203,539	208,139
FHLB advances and other borrowings	61,592	61,403
Stockholders' equity	11,969	12,929

Three Months Ended	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
(unaudited)		
Interest income	$ 6,275	$ 6,580
Interest expense	5,275	5,700
Net interest income	1,000	880
Provision for loan losses	125	253
Net interest income after provisions for loan losses	875	627
Other income	252	592
Operating expenses	1,404	1,625

Loss before income taxes	(277)	(406)
Income tax benefit	--	(44)
Net loss	$ (277)	$ (362)
Loss per share	$ (.15)	$ (.19)

Nine Months Ended	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
(unaudited)		
Interest income	$ 18,783	$ 20,314
Interest expense	15,637	17,371
Net interest income	3,146	2,943
Provision for loan losses	592	544
Net interest income after provisions for loan losses	2,554	2,399
Other income	928	1,311
Operating expenses	4,442	5,273
Loss before income taxes	(960)	(1,563)
Income tax benefit	--	(402)
Net loss	$ (960)	$ (1,161)
Loss per share	$ (.51)	$ (.62)

	At or for Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990 (unaudited)	At or for Year Ended Dec. 31, 1989	At or for Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1989 (unaudited)
Return on averge assets	(.46) pct.	(.50) pct.	(.51) pct.
Return on average equity	(10.41) pct.	(10.65) pct.	(10.93) pct.
Equity as percentage of total assets at end of period	4.27 pct.	4.55 pct.	4.65 pct.
Net non-performing assets (including troubled debt restructurings) to total assets at end of period	10.06 pct.	10.36 pct.	9.84 pct.
Net interest margin	1.70 pct.	1.49 pct.	1.46 pct.
Book value per common share of stock at end of period	$ 6.41	$ 6.92	$ 7.13

YIELDS AND RATES AT	Sept. 30, 1990 (unaudited)	Dec. 31, 1989	Sept. 30, 1989 (unaudited)
Yield on loans and mortgage-backed securities	10.21 pct.	10.09 pct.	10.13 pct.
Yield on other earning assets	8.38 pct.	8.59 pct.	9.27 pct.

Yield on total earning assets	10.03 pct.	9.97 pct.	10.06 pct.
Cost of deposits	7.53 pct.	7.85 pct.	8.07 pct.
Cost of FHLB advances and other borrowings	9.02 pct.	9.36 pct.	9.53 pct.
Cost of deposits and borrowings	7.88 pct.	8.19 pct.	8.37 pct.
Net interest rate spread	2.15 pct.	1.78 pct.	1.69 pct.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Tom Cato has been appointed to the newly created position of executive vice president logistics and David J. Warnimont has been named vice president product service for Montgomery Ward & Co., according to Bernard F. Brennan, chairman and chief executive officer. The appointments are effective immediately.

Cato, 48, was formerly senior vice president logistics since February 1989, responsible for management information systems, operations, importing and distribution. In his new position, he retains these responsibilities and adds those of product service. He reports directly to Brennan. Cato joined Montgomery Ward in 1986 as vice president distribution; the following year he was named vice president logistics. He has had extensive prior experience in managing distribution systems for other retailers including TG&Y Stores, Ben Franklin Stores and Sav-A-Stop.

Warnimont, 53, was formerly director of transportation, a position he held since 1986. In his new position, he has responsibility for all of Montgomery Ward's product service operations, reporting to Cato. He joined Montgomery Ward in 1983 as manager distribution planning, and in 1985 he was named director of distribution administration. Earlier, Warnimont held various marketing positions with Mobil Oil, including manager of market planning. In 1980, he joined Meenan Oil Co. as director of planning, the position he held prior to joining Montgomery Ward.

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DALLAS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - American Medical Holdings Inc. (AMEX: AMI) today reported quarterly and full year results for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990. AMI's adjusted fourth quarter 1990 operating income was $62.6 million (before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization), a 16.8

percent profit margin on net revenues of $373.1 million. Actual results for the fourth quarter and full year have been adjusted to exclude the operating results of assets sold or to be sold. This is for the period from November 1989 to August 1990. Results before these fourth quarter adjustments were net revenues of $694 million and operating income of $110.4 million.

Fiscal 1989 results are presented as they were reported last year. In the fourth quarter of 1989 operating income was $77.6 million, a profit margin of 11.0 percent on net revenues of $705.2 million.

The company reported an adjusted net loss in the quarter of $13.2 million vs. a net loss of $52.4 million in the same quarter of the prior year.

Net revenues, adjusted to exclude operations sold or to be sold, for the combined 12 months of 1990 totaled $2.54 billion vs. $2.75 billion in 1989. Adjusted 1990 operating income of $471.1 million (before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization) was 16.5 percent higher than $404.4 million achieved in the prior year. The company's operating profit margin rose to 18.5 percent from 14.7 percent in 1989.

The pre-tax loss for the 12 months of 1990 was $112.1 million vs. a 1989 loss of $20.6 million due to one-time merger costs totaling $128.2 million and higher interest expenses related to the buyout. The net loss for the same period was $82.3 million vs. a net loss of $12.8 million in the prior year.

AMI, the founder of the investor-owned hospital industry, operates acute care hospitals in the United States.

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DEERFIELD, ILL. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Premark International, Inc. (NYSE: PMI) today declared the company's regular quarterly dividend of 21 cents per share payable on Jan. 7, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 13, 1990.

Premark International, Inc. is a $2.6 billion multinational company that markets premium products under leading brand names such as Tupperware, West Bend, Wilsonart, Hobart, Vulcan, Hartco, Precor and Florida Tile. Premark stock is listed on the New York, Pacific and London Stock Exchanges.

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ST. LOUIS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - At its regularly scheduled meeting held on Nov. 7, 1990, the IE Industries Inc. (NYSE: IEL) board of directors increased the quarterly dividend to 52 1/2 cents per share. This increase to an indicated annual dividend of $2.10, compared to $2.06 for the previous year, is the 15th consecutive annual increase in the common stock dividend. The dividend is payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

Also at the meeting, the board reaffirmed its previously stated diversification policy and authorized its management to utilize the proceeds from the recent sale of Telecom USA stock to selectively pursue investments in targeted industries in order to provide an overall return on equity higher than is achievable in the regulated sector and thereby maximize shareholder value.

In separate actions, the board of directors of Iowa Electric Light and Power Co., IE Industries' principal subsidiary, continued dividends for each of its preferred and preference stock issues.

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#90311p4500 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Wharf Resources Ltd. (NASDAQ-NMS: WFRAF; TSE: WRF) today announced earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $4,644,000 or 23 cents per share on revenues of $22,522,000, compared to $5,328,000 or 28 cents per share on revenues of $23,312,000 for the same period last year.

Earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $1,254,000 or 6 cents per share on revenues of $7,516,000, compared to $1,631,000 or 9 cents per share on revenues of $9,902,000 for the same period last year. Lower gold production resulted in the decline in earnings during the current period.

Gold production for the third quarter was 19,670 ounces compared to 27,003 ounces for the same period in 1989. Total gold produced for the nine month period was 58,849 ounces compared to 61,280 ounces a year earlier.

The decline in gold production during the period was due to lower rate of gold recovery from leach pad Number Two. However, gold recoveries from the three other leach pads continued to meet expected results. The company's estimated total gold production for 1990 is 81,000 ounces compared to 77,000 ounces produced in 1989.

All dollar amounts are expressed in United States currency.

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TORONTO (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Dickenson Mines Limited (AMEX: DML) today announced third quarter results. Total revenues increased significantly during the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 compared to the corresponding periods in 1989. The increase was due to higher gold production from the Red Lake Mine and the addition of Saskatchewan Minerals, a sodium sulphate operation, acquired by the company in October 1989.

Earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $286,000 or 2 cents per share on revenues of $15,013,000. For the corresponding period in 1989, earnings were $1,427,000 or 9 cents per share on revenues of $13,205,000.

Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $2,591,000 or 15 cents per share on revenues of $47,203,000. For the corresponding period in 1989, earnings were $8,003,000 or 49 cents per share on revenues of $39,124,000.

While the revenues and gold production increased, the earnings declined during the first nine months of 1990 compared to the same period in 1989. In April 1989, the company realized a gain of $4,365,000 ($3,675,000 net of tax) or 20 cents per share, on the sale of its investment in the shares of Kam-Kotia Mines Limited. This transaction contributed to the higher earnings in 1989.

Additional factors affecting earnings were a lower realized average gold price a stronger Canadian dollar, lower earnings of Wharf Resources Ltd., an equity accounted investment and certain non-recurring administrative costs.

Gold production at the Red Lake Mine for the third quarter, excluding concentrate, was 19,445 ounces compared to 18,397 ounces for the same period in 1989. Total gold produced for the nine month period increased by 6 percent to 59,884 ounces from 56,557 ounces a year earlier. Custom processing of concentrate material containing gold is not expected during this calendar year.

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#90311p4504 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to investor inquiries, NACO Finance Corp. today reported that it has not yet received a proposal for certain transactions involving NACO Finance which are related to the proposed sale of San Jacinto Savings Association's recreational land subsidiaries. Both NACO Finance and San Jacinto are subsidiaries of Southmark Corp. (NASDAQ: SMRK).

As previously disclosed, San Jacinto has signed a Letter of Intent to sell its interest in Thousand Trails Inc. and certain assets of National American Corp. to Delta Campground Management Corp. Among the contingencies of the proposed transaction, Delta Campground Management Corp. would purchase the capital stock of NACO Finance Corp. or substantially all of its business assets, and restructure NACO Finance Corp.'s 12 percent Senior Notes due 1994. The Letter of Intent does not specify the terms or conditions of the proposed transaction related to NACO Finance Corp. or its Senior Notes.

NACO Finance Corp. announced that further disclosure would not be made until an agreement in principle to purchase NACO Finance Corp. or its assets, and for restructuring of its senior notes, has been negotiated and executed or negotiations regarding such transactions have been terminated.

NACO Finance Corp., based in Dallas, Texas, provides receivables financing to Thousand Trails Inc. and National American Corp., both operators of membership-based campground sites.

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#90311p4506 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines today reported that its total scheduled revenue passenger miles (RPMs) increased 11.5 percent in October compared with October of 1989.

The airline's total scheduled RPMs were 6,505,331,000, compared with 5,834,309,000 in October of 1989.

The passenger load factor was 64.1 percent, a decrease of 1.5 points from 65.6 percent a year ago.

In commenting on the month, Stephen M. Wolf, chairman and president, said, "Our October traffic shows that United is continuing to grow in both domestic and international markets. While that result alone normally would be encouraging, the growth in traffic last month failed to keep pace with our growth in capacity. Without question, the sharp fuel price increases posted since the onset of the Persian Gulf crisis have impacted the worldwide economy and many industries, including our own."

For October, domestic revenue passenger miles totaled 4,708,344,000, an increase of 3.6 percent from 4,545,436,000 accumulated in October a year ago. Pacific revenue passenger miles totaled 1,707,343,000, an increase of 32.5 percent from 1,288,873,000 a year ago. Atlantic revenue passenger miles totaled 89,644,000.

Total scheduled available seat miles (ASMs) were 10,147,201,000, up 14.1

percent from 8,892,728,000 a year ago. Domestic ASMs were 7,531,474,000, an increase of 6.6 percent from 7,067,405,000 a year ago. Pacific ASMs totaled 2,486,182,000, up 36.2 percent from 1,825,323,000 a year ago. Atlantic ASMs totaled 129,545,000.

The airline flew 4,978,000 passengers in scheduled service in October, an increase of 8.2 percent from 4,601,000 flown a year earlier.

Total cargo ton miles for October were 135,414,000, up 13.1 percent from 119,736,000 a year ago.

Total RPMs, including charter flights for October, were 6,534,295,000, up 11.9 percent from 5,839,182,000 a year ago.

JANUARY-OCTOBER TRAFFIC For the first 10 months of 1990, total scheduled RPMs increased 9.1 percent to 63,898,690,000 from 58,579,763,000 in the same 1989 period.

Total scheduled ASMs increased 9.2 percent to 95,272,599,000 from 87,237,703,000 last year.

Passenger load factor during the 10-month period was 67.1 percent, unchanged from 1989.

Total cargo ton miles were 1,155,601,000, an increase of 6.1 percent from 1,089,587,000 in the first ten months last year.

Total RPMs including charter for the first ten months were 64,019,009,000, an increase of 9.2 percent from 58,616,739,000 in the first ten months of 1989.

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#90311p4510 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - GW Utilities Limited (AMEX: GWT), Toronto today announced that the proposed sale by GW of its 82 percent interest in The Consumers' Gas Company Ltd. to British Gas plc has been approved by the Lieutenant Governor in Council for the Province of Ontario.

The sale of Consumers is still subject to approval of Investment Canada. If such approval is obtained, British Gas will make an offer to purchase all of the outstanding common shares of Consumers at a price of $34 per share. In view of the extended period of time necessary to receive regulatory approval, the date for payment of interest, net of dividends, on the $34 per share purchase price has been changed from Aug. 20 to Nov. 20, 1990.

The approval of the Ontario Cabinet, acting as the Lieutenant Governor in Council, is subject to British Gas accepting a number of undertakings including substantially those recommended by the Ontario Energy Board in its report issued Oct. 26. British Gas has accepted those undertakings. The undertakings agreed to by British Gas relate to research and development, employment levels and the re-establishment and maintenance of a public float in Consumers shares.

On June 12, 1990, Olympia & York Developments Limited and GWU Holdings Limited announced that GWU Holdings intended to increase the price to be offered to the public shareholders of GW in connection with the previously announced "going private" proposal from $36 to $40 per GW common share if the sale of Consumers and the transaction proposed by Olympia & York concerning Interhome Energy Inc. and Gulf Canada Resources Limited are completed and no material adverse change occurs in the business and affairs or prospects of GW or any of its investments.

Under the proposed transaction concerning Interhome and Gulf, Gulf would be combined with Home Oil Company Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Interhome and Interhome, shareholders, including GW, would be provided with direct ownership of Interhome's interest in the combined oil and gas business and continuing direct ownership of Interhome's pipeline business. GWU Holdings also stated that if such transactions are not completed, GWU Holdings intends to proceed with the original "going private" proposal, taking into account circumstances as they may exist at that time.

GWU Holdings is a private corporation, beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by members of the Reichmann family. GWU Holdings owns approximately 89.33 percent of the issued and outstanding common shares of GW.

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#90311p4511 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase to $2.50/bbl was effective today at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$34.00 for West Texas Intermediate $32.00 for West Texas Sour $34.50 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E66. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90311p4514 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Jones Intercable Inc. (NASDAQ: JOIN) reports that this week it purchased $10,000,000 principal amount of its 7.5 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2007. This amount represented approximately 23 percent of the $43,200,000 outstanding under the issue.

The company said it purchased these debentures at an attractive price and may purchase additional securities of the company, as opportunities or market conditions warrant. The 7.5 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2007 trade on the NASDAQ under the symbol JOING.

Jones Intercable is one of the largest cable television operators in the United States, serving over 1.4 million subscribers, and is the world's largest cable television management company managing cable systems for publicly held partnerships.

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-30- 1098

#90311p4516 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Leopold Korins, chairman and chief executive officer of the Pacific Stock Exchange (PSE), announced seven promotions, which were approved by the PSE Board of Governors at its October meeting.

Charles A. Rogers, 44, was named to executive vice president, Trading Floor Operations, from his position as senior vice president, Derivative Products. Rogers will be responsible for all PSE trading floors in Los Angeles and San Francisco. Stephen M. Pettibone, 33, has been promoted to vice president, Option Trading Services, and Nancy A. Olmstead, 40, and Gary K. Staggs, 40, have both been named to vice president, Equity Floor Operations, in Los Angeles and San Francisco, respectively. Olmstead, Pettibone, and Staggs will report to Rogers directly.

In addition, Erin E. Cosgrove, 33, was promoted to vice president, corporate secretary; Joseph F. Humphrey, 49, to vice president, finance; and Steven Schwartz, 43, to vice president accounting.

Korins commented, "These promotions acknowledge the organizational responsibilities of the individuals and the professionalism they have demonstrated in key positions at the exchange. With a strong management team in place, we will be ready to meet the competition of the 90s and beyond."

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#90311p4521 11/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
PALO ALTO, CALIF. (NOV. 8 PR NEWSWIRE - Lincoln N.C. Realty Fund Inc. (LNCRF) (AMEX: LRF) announced today that its board of directors at its meeting on Nov. 7, 1990 declared a dividend of $.15 per share to shareholders of record on Nov. 21, 1990, payable on Dec. 11, 1990.

LNCRF is a real estate investment trust. LNCRF's securities are listed on the American and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

CONTACT: William F. Garlock of Lincoln N.C. Realty Fund Inc., 415-329-8867.

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#90311t1219 11/07/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (NOV. 7) TASS - ABOUT 100,000 PEOPLE MARCHED THROUGH MOSCOW'S RED SQUARE TODAY TO MARK THE 73RD ANNIVERSARY OF THE 1917 SOCIALIST REVOLUTION.

THE OFFICIAL CELEBRATIONS WERE SPONSORED BY THE MOSCOW CITY COMMUNIST PARTY COMMITTEE AND SEVERAL AFFILIATED ORGANISATIONS, SUPPORTING SOCIALISM AND NATIONAL RECONCILIATION.

IN AN UNPRECEDENTED MOVE, PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV, PARLIAMENT CHAIRMAN ANATOLY LUKYANOV, PRIME MINISTER NIKOLAI RYZHKOV, RUSSIAN PRESIDENT BORIS YELTSIN AND MOSCOW MAYOR GAVRIIL POPOV DESCENDED FROM THEIR STAND ATOP THE LENIN MAUSOLEUM TO LEAD THE PROCESSION THROUGH RED SQUARE.

DEMONSTRATORS HALTED NEAR THE LENIN MAUSOLEUM AND A DELEGATION OF PARTY AND STATE LEADERS AND VETERANS PLACED FLOWERS AT THE FOOT OF THE MARBLE STRUCTURE.

SLOGANS CARRIED BY PARTICIPANTS CALLED FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND CIVIL PEACE.

TODAY'S MARCH WAS ATTENDED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF VARIOUS TRENDS INSIDE THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY -- ITS MARXIST AND DEMOCRATIC PLATFORMS, THE UNITED WORKERS' FRONT AND SEVERAL OTHER PRO-SOCIALIST MOVEMENTS.

"WE ARE PROUD THAT SUCH A GREAT EVENT AS THE OCTOBER REVOLUTION HAPPENED IN THE HISTORY OF OUR PEOPLE. WE ARE MARKING THIS ANNIVERSARY AS A NATIONAL HOLIDAY AND A HOLIDAY OF ALL PROGRESSIVE MANKIND," VLADIMIR STRADYMOV, MEMBER OF THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE UNITED WORKERS' FRONT, TOLD TASS.

WHEN THE DEMONSTRATION WAS IN FULL SWING, A MAN FROM LENINGRAD FIRED TWO SHOTS INTO THE AIR FROM A SAWN-OFF SHOT GUN. LUCKILY, NO ONE WAS HURT. THE INCIDENT OCCURRED NEAR A DEPARTMENT STORE OPPOSITE THE LENIN MAUSOLEUM. AUTHORITIES ARE

INVESTIGATING THE INCIDENT.

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#90311t1239 11/07/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (NOV 7) TASS - THE SKY OVER MOSCOW TODAY WAS PAINTED IN BRIGHT COLOURS WITH A SALUTE FIRED TO MARK THE 73RD ANNIVERSARY OF THE GREAT OCTOBER SOCIALIST REVOLUTION.

ON THE ORDER OF THE SOVIET DEFENCE MINISTER, A SALUTE OF 30 SALVOES WAS FIRED ALSO IN THE CAPITALS OF UNION REPUBLICS, THE HERO-CITIES OF LENINGRAD, VOLGOGRAD, ODESSA, SEVASTOPOL, NOVOROSSIISK, KERCH, TULA, SMOLENSK AND MURMANSK, THE HERO- FORTRESS OF BREST, AND IN THE CITIES OF KALININGRAD, LVOV, ROSTOV-ON-DON, KUIBYSHEV, NOVOSIBIRSK, CHITA, KHABAROVSK, VLADIVOSTOK AND SEVEROMORSK.

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#90311u0020 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 7) UPI - The White House says Iraq is using the foreign officials traveling to Baghdad to seek the release of hostages. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says Saddam Hussein is ''using the hostages to piecemeal out propaganda.''

Michigan Representative John Conyers is welcoming William Bennett's resignation tomorrow. The Democrat says President Bush's drug czar personified a drug strategy of the last 10 years that- quoting now- ''failed.''

The man accused of killing ultra-right wing Rabbi Meir Kahane was fired from his city job as a city boiler and air conditioner repairman today. A city official says the suspect gave false information on his residency forms.

Britain's parliament opened a new session today, with 15 pending bills outlined. The B-B-C called the measures ''deliberately thin.'' It's thought Prime Minister Thatcher may avoid controversy due to upcoming elections.

Mikhail Gorbachev says ''human rights and respect for human dignity must be recognized as the highest value in society.'' The Soviet leader addressed a Revolution Day crowd today in Moscow.

Big spenders generally came out on top in the 1990 congressional elections. But in Minnesota, Republican Senator Rudy Boschwitz lost to little known professor Paul Wellstone... despite outspending the Democrat 8-1.

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#90311u0046 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
CANBERRA, Australia (NOV. 6) UPI - Foreign Affairs Minister Gareth Evans

said Wednesday he was pleased that Iraq agreed to release two Australian hostages but cautioned against viewing it as a public relations victory for Saddam Hussein.

''The trouble with efforts of this kind (private) is that they do give a propaganda advantage to Saddam, where peoples' minds are taken off the enormity of the crime that is being committed by having anyone kept in custody at all,'' Evans said.

Sydney poet Anne Fairbairn, who has written extensively on the Middle East and who has contacts in the region, Wednesday reported the partial success of her private mission to help secure the release of the 34 Australians being held in Iraq.

In a radio interview with the Australian Broadcasting Commission, Fairbairn reported from Baghdad that Iraq had agreed to release two Australians, Graham Lightfoot and James Strong.

She said she also asked for the transfer to Baghdad of the only two Australians believed to be detained at strategic installations, Greg Pollock, a visiting businessman, and Nick Fitz-simon, an engineer.

A Foreign Affairs official said Wednesday the two hostages to be released were ''in the older brigade'' of the Australians held.

The official said the other two men, although Australian, held British passports and said this was ''significant'' because they were the only Australians being detained at strategic installations.

All others, although being prevented from leaving the country, were in hotels.

Lightfoot's wife Shirley, who lives in Sydney, also expressed her delight over her husband's pending release.

''I'm so glad for Graham, because he hasn't been well and I think it has been very stressful for us all,'' she said.

She said she expected to be reunited with her husband in Australia by the weekend.

Among those Fairbairn lobbied in Iraq was Sadi Mehdi Saleh, the speaker of the Iraqi National Assembly.

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#90311u0117 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (NOV. 6) UPI - Democratic gubernatorial candidate John Silber and Republican William Weld were in a virtual dead heat and a billion-dollar tax

rollback referendum was headed for a stunning defeat Tuesday as Massachusetts voters turned out in near-record numbers.

First-term Democratic Sen. John Kerry, who became embroiled in one of the bitterest races in the country, won re-election, despite the efforts of millionaire real estate developer James Rappaport, who spent $3 million of his own money on a massive negative media campaign.

Kerry claimed victory, telling his supporters he had emerged from the race with ''a sense of trepidation'' about the electoral process and promised to return to Washington to work for campaign finance reform.

''Twenty-five years ago some of us jumped around to a song with the title, 'Money Can't Buy Me Love.' Today in Massachusetts we have proven that money can't buy you a U.S. Senate seat,'' he said.

With 938 of 2,138 precincts reporting, Silber and Weld were deadlocked at 50 percent each and Kerry was leading Rappaport 58-42 percent. The tax rollback referendum sponsored by Citizens for Limited Taxation was losing by a 60-40 percent margin.

Silber had 449,522 votes to Weld's 441,009.

However, exit polling by a number of television stations indicated Weld, the former assistant U.S. attorney general who walked out on the Reagan administration to protest the actions of Attorney General Edwin Meese, would win the governorship.

Tax-cut advocates urged passage of a referendum that would have reduced state revenues by about $1.2 billion in the next fiscal year, charging the government was rife with waste and duplication. Opponents, including most of the state's major public employee unions, said it would lead to unacceptable cuts in human service programs.

Voters flocked to the polls after months of intense campaigning from the top to the bottom of the ballot in an election that could chart a new political and economic course for Massachusetts.

Frightened by the crash of the state's once booming economy and infuriated over the inability of state government to deal with the crisis, voters chose between two gubernatorial candidates who promised radical change and a return to prosperity.

The secretary of state's office said as many as 2.5 million, or 78 percent of the state's 3.2 million registered voters would go the polls, the highest turnout for a gubernatorial race since 1962.

The enthusiastic turnout was helped by the weather as early morning rain gave

way to mostly sunny skies across much of the state with temperatures in the 40s and 50s.

Both Silber and Weld promised to bring government spending under control and return the state to economic health.

But Weld supported the tax rollback while Silber said it would mean ''disaster'' for a state that has had budget deficits for the last three years and whose credit rating has plummeted to the lowest of any state.

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#90311u0167 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 6) UPI - Mayor Marion Barry, who was sentenced to six months in prison 11 days ago for drug possession, was rejected by voters in the nation's capital Tuesday in his bid to capture a seat on the City Council.

The defeat of Barry, who finished a very distant third in a field of eight candidates for two at-large seats, culminated 12 years of domination in District of Columbia politics as mayor and nearly 20 years in office in the city.

Based on votes counted as of 10:30 p.m. in all of the district's 140 precincts Barry had 25,604 or 18 percent of the vote. Incumbent City Council member Hilda Mason had 42,052, or 30 percent of the vote, while Democratic nominee and former school board member Linda Cropp had 53,957 or 39 percent of the vote.

''Although this election didn't go our way, our campaign has been successful '' said Barry, who addressed about 100 supporters in his concession speech. ''We have taken our case to the people.

''To our supporters, this is not the time for tears,'' Barry said. ''This is the time for feeling that we have succeeded in taking our case to the people.''

Barry congratulated Cropp and Mason on their victories, as well as Democrat Sharon Pratt Dixon on her landslide victory over Republican Maurice Turner to succeed Barry as mayor.

Barry's political downfall began Jan. 18, when he was arrested in an FBI sting operation in which he was videotaped smoking crack cocaine.

His subsequent trial last summer on drug and perjury charges ended with a federal jury convicting him on one misdemeanor cocaine possession count, acquitting him of a second, and deadlocking on 12 other charges.

Barry, who announced at the start of his trial that he would not seek a fourth term as mayor, switched his political affiliation from Democrat to independent

after the trial to run for City Council.

Last month, U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson said Barry gave ''aid, comfort and encouragement'' to the drug culture and sentenced him to six months in prison. Barry is appealing.

Barry, 54, first came to the nation's capital in 1965 to oversee the local office of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, and quickly developed a reputation as a leading black activist.

The 1970s saw Barry move from activism into electoral politics. He was elected to the D.C. School Board in 1971 and was its president until 1974, when he won an at-large seat on the City Council.

In 1978, Barry became the district's second elected mayor, beating two other candidates who were a part of the city's old-line black establishment.

John Wilson, who was elected in a landslide victory Tuesday as chairman of the City Council, said Barry's defeat and the overwhelming mandate received by Dixon - who was the only candidate in the mayoral primary to publicly criticize Barry and call for his resignation - reflected the drastic change that district voters wanted in city government.

''I think that what happened is that a lot of people don't give voters in this city credit,'' Wilson said. ''People wanted a dramatic change and they voted for people that they thought would bring them that. The city will be looked at in a different light from here on out. We definitely surprised people.''

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#90311u0189 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

HARTFORD, CT (NOV. 7) UPI - Former Sen. Lowell P. Weicker Jr. was elected governor in a bitter three-way race Tuesday - the first independent to win the office in Connecticut since before the Civil War.

With 92 percent of the vote, unofficial results showed Weicker with 434,281 votes, or 41 percent, compared with 406,066 votes, or 38 percent, for Rowland and 216,783, or 20 percent, for Morrison.

A fourth-party candidate, Joseph Zdonczyk, had 15,094 votes, or 1 percent.

Weicker, who served three terms in the Senate as a maverick, liberal Republican, based his campaign on high name recognition and voter anger at what he lambasted as ''politics-as-usual.''

''Perhaps the state of Connecticut was not ready for a new generation of leadership,'' Rowland, a three-term congressman, said in his concession speech. ''But maybe some time in the future they will be.''

Morrison conceded early to Weicker, urging the governor-elect not to forget the Democrats who voted for him in large numbers.

''Democrats elected Lowell Weicker governor,'' Morrison said. ''I hope Lowell Weicker understands that his election depended on Democratic votes. I don't want to see Lowell Weicker fail because I care too much about Connecticut.

Weicker, 59, a Greenwich millionaire heir to a pharmaceutical fortune, gained national attention as a critic of President Nixon during the televised Watergate hearings and made integrity a key to his campaign.

He is the first independent elected governor in Connecticut since 1857, when Alexander H. Holley won as the candidate of the hybrid American-Republican Party.

Weicker faced economic problems of historic proportions, with the latest projected budget deficit for the current fiscal year hitting $473.5 million, despite tax hikes of nearly $1 billion.

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#90311u0322 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 7) UPI - An Australian poet reports that Iraq has agreed to free two Australian hostages. But Foreign Affairs Minister Gareth Evans says the trouble with the kind of private negotiation Anne Fairbairn conducted is that it gives a public relations victory to Saddam Hussein. 34 Australians have been among the about four-thousand foreign hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait.

The federal government is trying to put a price-tag on the cost of alcohol and drug abuse and mental illness. The government says they cost the nation at least 273-BILLION dollars in 1988 in terms of treatment, reduced productivity, mortality, criminal justice expenses and other related costs. The Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration did the study.

Philippine military officials report NO success in finding an American missionary who was kidnapped in a northern province. The kidnap victim is identified as Arvey Duane Brown of Seattle, whose relatives were notified on October 19th that he was abducted. Philippine officials say Brown apparently is being held as a hostage by communist rebels.

Alaska's Redoubt Volcano is acting like it may erupt again. A U-S Geological Survey specialist says there's a strong likelihood that Redoubt will erupt in the next few days. It is steaming vigorously, and earthquakes are rumbling beneath the mountain. Redoubt... 110 miles southwest of Anchorage... erupted 11 months ago after a quarter-century of inactivity and spewed ash until April.

Wednesday is the Revolution Day holiday in the Soviet Union. The Soviet

Communist Party plans to have tanks and troops parade through Moscow's Red Square... the same as every year since the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution. But Moscow radicals plan several anti-government rallies. And more than half the other Soviet republicans canceled or curtailed the festivities.

Rockford, Illinois, went more than one year without anyone dying in a fire. Now, the city apparently is making up for the hiatus. Two people died this morning in the second fatal fire this week. A fire on Sunday killed one person... the first fire fatality in Rockford since March 1989.

Two young residents of the New York borough of Staten Island have been arrested for invading and disrupting a computerized voice-mailbox system at a company. The International Data Group of Framingham, Massachusetts, says lost messages cost it about two and one-half-Million dollars.

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#90311u0454 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 7) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	3	0	1.000	-
Philadelphia	2	0	1.000	1/2
Miami	1	1	.500	1 1/2
Washington	1	1	.500	1 1/2
New York	1	2	.333	2
New Jersey	0	3	.000	3

CENTRAL DIVISION

Atlanta	3	0	1.000	-
Detroit	2	1	.667	1
Charlotte	2	1	.667	1
Indiana	2	1	.667	1
Milwaukee	2	1	.667	1
Cleveland	1	2	.333	2
Chicago	0	3	.000	3

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	1	0	1.000	-
Dallas	2	1	.667	-
Utah	1	1	.500	1/2
Houston	1	2	.333	1

Minnesota	1	2	.333	1
Denver	0	3	.000	2
Orlando	0	3	.000	2
PACIFIC DIVISION				
Portland	3	0	1.000	-
Seattle	2	0	1.000	1/2
Golden State	2	1	.667	1
LA Clippers	2	1	.667	1
Phoenix	1	1	.500	1 1/2
LA Lakers	0	2	.000	2 1/2
Sacramento	0	3	.000	3

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(NOV. 7) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Dallas at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Denver at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Detroit at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

Boston at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
Buffalo at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.
NY Islanders at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.

TENNIS

Indianapolis - $150,000 Kraft General Foods
London - $500,000 Silk Cut Championships
Moscow - $330,000 Kremlin Cup
Worcester, Mass. - $350,000 Virginia Slims of New England

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#90311u0502 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - Jesse Jackson, the preacher-politician who twice ran for president, coasted to victory Tuesday in his first election to public office - as one of two ''shadow senators'' from the District of Columbia.

Jackson finished far ahead of the pack in a field of 11 candidates vying for

the two non-paid ceremonial posts, created by the City Council to act as super lobbyists in Congress for district statehood.

Jackson garnered 105,633 votes, or 46 percent of the ballots cast Tuesday to easily win the first seat, according to an unofficial count by city election officials.

The second seat went to city public school employee Florence Pendleton, also a Democrat, who was next in line behind Jackson with 58, 451 votes, or 26 percent of the tally.

While Jackson was the most high-profile politician seeking office in the district, his campaign was overshadowed by races to succeed Marion Barry as mayor and Walter Fauntroy as the non-voting House delegate from the nation's capital.

Jackson, one of the best vote-getters nationally in the Democratic Party, ran a strong second to Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis for the 1988 Democratic presidential nomination with a liberal-populist campaign that led to primary wins in many states.

Although largely absent from the local stump this year, Jackson has tried with some success to remain in the public spotlight with a weekly television show on 130 stations, a journey to Iraq, a visible presence during the Senate debate on civil rights and many speeches in inner-city schools.

Statehood for the District of Columbia, a federal enclave without voting representation in Congress, has been a long-cherished dream for city residents that still appears far from realization.

A previous bid for statehood, which ultimately must be achieved through a constitutional amendment, was approved by Congress but fell far short of the 37 states needed to grant the district admission to the union.

A renewed attempt is certain to meet strong resistance from Republicans who realize it would virtually guarantee the addition of two Democratic senators.

Nor is it clear how the Senate will accept the presence of shadow senators and what role they will be allowed to take.

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#90311u0508 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 7) UPI - The nation's top official in the war on drugs is reported almost ready to resign. A report says William Bennett will resign in the next few days... asserting that he has put a federal drug strategy in place. Bennett is NOT available for comment. The report says President Bush has NOT lined up a successor for Bennett.

Fire is raging through a back lot of Universal Studios in Universal City, California. The blaze has destroyed at least five buildings since breaking out on a sound stage of the tourist attraction Tuesday evening. The fire also is blazing up brush-covered hills near the studios. There are NO reports of injuries. But at least two restaurants- Tony Roma's and Victoria Station- have been evacuated as a precaution.

Japan's news service says Iraq will allow 70 hostages to fly home on Wednesday. Iraq said Tuesday it would free 77 Japanese hostages, plus smaller numbers of Germans, Swedes, Italians and Portuguese. There are reports that former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt has negotiated the release of a large number of German hostages.

A Navy fighter jet cashed into the Atlantic Ocean a quarter-mile off Virginia Beach, Virginia, Tuesday night. Both crew members aboard the A- 6-E Intruder ejected before the crash. Police say they found one flyer's parachute caught in a tree and he had to be rescued from the tree.

The strike-bound New York Daily News gave away copies at several busy spots in the city Tuesday. Striking unions are pushing for a reader and advertiser boycott of the nation's largest tabloid. Federal mediators reopened contract talks between newspaper management and the nine striking unions.

El Salvador's troops have arrested several organizers of a public transport strike. The arrests were made Tuesday after shots were fired at army personnel. A union spokesman says the worst thing about the arrests is that the organizers are being labeled as terrorists.

Nuts... to the G-I's. And dried fruit, too. A nutritionist says that about the only foods that WON'T be damaged before getting to the troops in Saudi Arabia are nuts and dried fruit. Georgia Lauritzen of Utah State University says all the good intentions in the world can't keep candy from melting and cookies from being crushed in transit.

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#90311u0543 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 7) UPI - Pete Peeters, a one-time Vezina Trophy winner who has been plagued by inconsistency for the last two years, suddenly has become a valuable stop-gap goaltender for the Philadelphia Flyers.

Peeters stopped 25 shots Tuesday night, posting his second straight win in leading the Flyers to a 4-2 victory over the Winnipeg Jets.

Just a week ago, Peeters was ticketed for Philadelphia's minor-league affiliate at Hershey of the American Hockey League. Once one of the NHL's dominant goaltenders, Peeters won the Vezina Trophy with Boston in 1983 and

led the league in goals-against average as recently as 1987-88, but age had slowed down his skills.

Now with both Ron Hextall and Ken Wreggett sidelined with injuries, Peeters has been performing at a level resembling his play five years ago.

''I have no long-range plans,'' Peeters said. ''They have a committment to Hextall and his contract, and Kenny has played so well. Where I fit in the picture - it's turned out really well with Kenny and Ron hurt.

''Some days you're down, but the majority of the days (I have) the support of my wife and family. Having a strong belief, something will work out down the line.''

Rick Tocchet collected a goal and an assist in the third period as Philadelphia broke a 2-2 tie.

Tocchet slipped Kjell Samuelson's rebound between goaltender Stephane Beauregard's pad and the pipe at 6:01 of the period to give the Flyers a 3-2 lead. At 14:42, Tocchet fed a pass to Sutter, who slipped a shot through the Winnipeg defense to forge a two-goal cushion.

''When you're 2-2 after two (periods) on the road, you feel you are in the game.'' Tocchet said. ''Everybody concentrates more. The concentration was 110 percent.''

Prior to Tocchet's heroics, Beauregard had single-handedly held the Flyers at bay. One of the Winnipeg goaltender's saves included sticking his head in front of a Ron Sutter shot.

''That third period was inexcusable, intolerable and embarassing,'' Jets left wing Doug Smail said. ''That should never happen in your own building. We should never be outworked in our own building in a 2-2 game. There are no excuses.''

In other NHL games Tuesday night, the New York Islanders nipped Toronto 4-3, Pittsburgh outlasted Calgary 6-5, Washington bombed Quebec 4-1, St. Louis edged Edmonton 2-1, Vancouver doubled up Detroit 6-3 and Hartford and Chicago tied 1-1.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Islanders 4, Maple Leafs 3

At Uniondale, N.Y., Randy Wood scored two goals to help the Islanders hand Toronto its fourth straight loss. Toronto has lost all eight road games this season and has the worst record in the NHL at 2-14-1.

Penguins 6, Flames 5

At Pittsburgh, Paul Coffey's power-play goal with 14 seconds left in the third period lifted the Penguins to victory. With Doug Gilmour in the penalty box for hooking, Coffey's wrist shot from 50 feet sailed over goaltender Mike Vernon's left shoulder to give Pittsburgh its fourth straight victory.

Capitals 4, Nordiques 1

At Quebec, Peter Bondra scored twice and John Druce added a goal and two assists as Washington handed the Nordiques their seventh straight loss. The Capitals scored power-play goals on the first two penalties by the Nordiques and never were challenged.

Blues 2, Oilers 1

At St. Louis, Brett Hull scored his league-leading 17th goal and Geoff Courtnall added another goal to spark the Blues. St. Louis is 8-1- 1 in its last 10 games, while the Oilers have lost a club-record seven consecutive games.

Canucks 6, Red Wings 3

At Vancouver, British Columbia, Trevor Linden scored one power-play goal and assisted on another 41 seconds later to spark a four-goal Vancouver outburst late in the third period. The barrage allowed the Canucks to rally from a 3-2 deficit.

Whalers 1, Blackhawks 1

At Hartford, Conn., Pat Verbeek scored at 2:31 of the third period to help the Whalers end their six-game losing streak. Hartford registered its first point since an Oct. 17 win at Toronto. Steve Thomas scored for Chicago.

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#90311u0617 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - Top Democrats moved into position for potential runs at the 1992 Democratic presidential nomination Tuesday with runaway wins, but the hopes of Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., may have been undercut by his struggle against a Republican sacrificial lamb.

Even a few months ago, the prospect of running against President Bush scared off the Democrats' big-name candidates, who were waiting for the perfect moment to get into presidential politics.

All of the talk centered on fielding a token candidate, perhaps the 1998 vice presidential candidate, Sen. Lloyd Bentsen of Texas, and holding back their

strongest challengers for 1996.

But that attitude changed in the weeks before the election when Bush's sky-high popularity plummeted dramatically when he deserted his ''no tax'' pledge, the economy went into a tailspin and he confounded voters with his almost daily shuffling of campaign themes.

All of a sudden, 1992 looks much better for the Democrats and it would be surprising if some of them do not gear up, and rather quickly, their presidential campaigns.

At this stage of the election process four years ago, Rep. Richard Gephardt of Missouri was commuting to early caucus and primary states and former Arizona Gov. Bruce Babbitt had taken up residence in Iowa.

The one Democrat frequently mentioned as a presidential candidate who was badly hurt in Tuesday's election was Bradley, a Rhodes scholar and former pro basketball player.

Bradley, the prohibitive favorite, barely won a third term against Christine Todd Whitman, a Republican sacrificial offering. Bradley raised $12 million and spent $10.5 million on his campaign. Whitman scrounged up $600,000.

But Bradley became the unwitting victim of a backlash against the $2.8 billion tax raise imposed by new New Jersey Gov. James Florio, a fellow Democrat.

A CBS exit poll showed that New Jersey voters by 48-41 did not think that Bradley would make a good president.

The other Democrats frequently mentioned as possible 1992 presidential candidates fared far better and showed once more their vote-getting clout.

Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., the chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, was so strong the Republicans did not even field a candidate.

New York Gov. Mario Cuomo, the candidate most party leaders would like to see run, won against two opponents, but by a surprisingly small margin, probably the result of the state's financial problems.

Sen. Albert Gore of Tennessee who lost in 1988, and Sen. Joseph Biden of Delaware, who had to pull out of the race two years ago after acknowledging plagiarizing a speech, won re-election easily.

And Jesse Jackson, who won numerous primaries in 1988 before losing the presidential nomination to Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis, was elected ''shadow senator'' for the District of Columbia, the first office for which he has been elected.

Gephart also was an easy winner but he promised not to run in 1992 when he was elected House Democratic leader.

The elections did not produce a new shining star for the Democrats but not all the possible presidential contenders were up for election Tuesday.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell, Sen. Bob Kerrey of Nebraska, Sen. Chuck Robb of Virginia and Gov. Douglas Wilder of Virginia also could run.

Bush's popularity would have to plunge much deeper and the nation would have to move deeper into a recession before the Republicans would deny him a second nomination.

But the elections did produce a new, potential Republican candidate for 1996, Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas, a formidable vote-getter and fund raiser, who swept to a landslide victory.

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SANTA CLARA, Calif. (NOV. 7) UPI - The San Francisco Giants were on the brink of striking out for a third time with voters Tuesday as ballot proposals for a new baseball stadium in Santa Clara County were trailing by a narrow margin.

With 656 of the 1,028 precincts reporting, the stadium measure - which would have levied a 1 percent utility tax countywide to finance the $152 million facility - was being rejected by a 75,442 to 78,400 vote margin.

Two accompanying measures were also running into opposition. Proposition N, which would have given Santa Clara County permission to put up the land for the stadium, was ahead by about 1 percent. Proposition H, which would have given the city of San Jose the authority to oversee the building and operation of the stadium, was being defeated.

The early returns appeared to be part of a nationwide trend rejecting any candidate or issue that would involve new taxes. The stadium tax would have cost each of the effected households about $100 a year.

''Everybody saw through this thing,'' said Eva Lash, leader of a grassroots effort to defeat the proposals. It just wasn't reasonable. ''

The potential defeat leaves the National League team's immediate future up in the air. Giants owner Bob Lurie threatened to move his team from the area six years ago if a new stadium was not built to replace wind-swept Candlestick Park. And, after each election setback, he renewed that pledge.

The marketplace, however, has changed drastically since Lurie first threatened to move the team back in 1986. The National League has announced it will expand by two teams by the middle of the decade, pulling some potential suitors away from the Giants.

''I don't expect that Mr. Lurie will even begin to contemplate any alternatives until the election is over,'' said Corey Busch, the club's executive vice president on election day. ''None of the alternatives is particularly attractive. The fact is, we haven't spent any time thinking about what will happen if it (the ballot issue) loses.''

However, a report surfaced Tuesday suggesting that San Francisco 49ers owner Edward DeBartolo Jr. may pursue buying the team and construct a privately-funded football and baseball stadium in Santa Clara County.

''I have always thought about doing something with both teams,'' Debartolo told the Santa Rosa Press Democrat. ''I think it would depend on what type of ownership would be premitted.''

Currently, the Major Leagues have rules barring its owners from purchasing controlling interest in other sports leagues.

A loss would mark a third setback for the Giants by Northern California voters in as many years. Twice before, the National League club has come up empty in the city of San Francisco.

The defeat also would be professional baseball first setback in stadium vote after victories this year in Denver and Cleveland.

The stadium proposal was in trouble from the start even though Baseball Commissioner Fay Vincent personally campaigned for the issue. In a poll by the San Jose Mercury News, the stadium was shown to be trailing by a 59 percent to 34 percent margin among those surveyed. The pro-stadium campaign also had the issue lagging behind by a 49 percent to 39 percent margin with less than a week to go before the election.

Pro-stadium forces sent out 100,000 direct mailers in support of the issue and started an intensive phone campaign in the final days before Tuesday's election.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - An angry American electorate, upset with the economy and the direction of the nation, gave Democrats some new hope Tuesday that they can use pocketbook issues to make a reinvigorated run for the White House in 1992.

However, despite voters' obvious indignation, the meaning of their message in the 1990 midterm election was far from crystal clear, allowing Republicans to claim that they had successfully held their own and may have even bolstered President Bush.

Walking into voting booths across the land with promises to ''throw the rascals out,'' the public generally refused to follow through.

As a result, when the 102nd Congress convenes in January, Democrats will hold bulges roughly similar to what they have enjoyed for the past two years. But in state capitals, Democrats scored more significant gubernatorial gains.

In the 100-member Senate, Democrats picked up one seat to hold a new 56-44 edge, while in the House they were on a pace to add to their majority by about a half dozen. They currently dominate the chamber by a 258-175 margin with two vacancies.

In the most closely watched races of the night:

-Sen. Jesse Helms, the arch-conservative Republican from North Carolina, defeated liberal black Democrat Harvey Gantt. ''I'm sorry I'm late,'' Helms told his cheering supporters. ''I've been at home watching the grieving face of Dan Rather. ... The mighty, ultra-liberal establishment has struck out again.''

-In the very bitter and very expensive Texas gubernatorial battle, Democrat Ann Richards won over Republican Clayton Williams.

-Republican Sen. Pete Wilson, trying to become California's governor, held a lead over Democrat Dianne Feinstein, the former mayor of San Francisco.

-In Minnesota, Democrat Paul David Wellstone beat Republican Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, the only Senate incumbent to lose.

-Former U.S. Sen. Lawton Chiles, a Democrat, ousted Republican Florida Gov. Bob Martinez.

-Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., won a third term, barely edging out Republican Christine Todd Whitman. Bradley, hailed as a potential presidential contender, had far more money than Whitman but was hurt badly by an anti-tax fever sweeping New Jersey.

-Assistant House GOP leader Newt Gingrich of Georgia, a fiery conservative, barely survived a tight fight against Democrat David Worley.

-In Kansas, Democrat Treasurer Joan Finney beat Republican incumbent Gov. Mike Hayden.

-Former Republican Sen. Lowell Weicker won the three-way Connecticut governor's race as an independent.

-Incumbent Democrat Sen. Tom Harkin rather easily defeated Republican Tom Tauke in what had been billed as perhaps the tightest Senate race in the nation.

-In Massachusetts, William Weld defeated Democrat John Silber to become the first Republican elected to the post in 16 years.

Overarching themes were difficult to determine from the results, although combining the vote returns with network exit polling figures provided some insights that bolstered Democrats.

About three-quarters of voters questioned by the networks said they believed the nation was on the wrong track and predicted that the country's economy would only get worse.

About 57 percent of the people said they approved of President Bush and - in a repeat of their usual bizarre pattern - vast majorities disapproved of Congress, while approving of their own representative and senator.

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BEIJING (NOV. 7) UPI - China's flagship Communist Party newspaper Wednesday called the U.S. midterm elections a ''great satire,'' citing low voter turnout and an apparently misinterpreted poll to paint American-style democracy as a grim capitalist tool.

The signed commentary on the front page of the People's Daily, the party's official mouthpiece, took the opportunity of Tuesday's U.S. vote to renew the Chinese leadership's periodic attempts to portray Western political freedoms in their worst light.

The sarcastically worded article cited American voter turnouts of recent years that in presidential elections have been below 50 percent and during midterm elections for Congress and state offices have hovered around 30 percent.

''In the country claiming to be democratic, citizens being unwilling to use their right of democracy is a great satire on American-style democracy,'' the People's Daily said.

It noted a U.S. media poll from last month that it said indicated more than 70 percent of respondents believed members of Congress were less interested in serving the people than in serving special interest groups.

''Who are these special interest groups? Of course, this refers to those who

have money to support the candidate, not homeless vagrants,'' the commentary said.

On the issue of the two-party system, it noted, another U.S. survey showed that ''only 33 percent supported the Democratic Party and only 28 percent supported the Republican Party, while 39 percent of voters supported neither.''

The commentary's author appeared to have misinterpreted the results as indicating those indicating no party affiliation were expressing distaste, and did not note that many American voters characterize themselves as independent.

''It is well known that the two U.S. parties have a difference - supporting different financial groups' interests,'' the commentary said. ''It is almost the same thing to elect either.

''It is completely understandable for so many people to support neither of them and not even to take part in the election.''

The hard-line Chinese leadership has regularly painted such dim pictures of Western-style political concepts since the violent crackdown in June 1989 on pro-democracy protesters in Beijing after six weeks of demonstrations for greater freedom.

The government propaganda has continued to discourage admiration for those concepts in a continuing campaign against so-called ''bourgeois liberalization '' a catch phrase for Western political and cultural influences.

''Some people admire American-style democracy very much,'' the People's Daily said. ''In fact, the American people do not show great concern about their right of democracy.''

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(NOV. 7) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Toronto	1	1	1-3
NY Islanders	1	3	0-4

First period-1, NY Islanders, Wood 4 (Nylund, Ludwig), 5:30. 2, Toronto, Olczyk 4 (Clark, Leeman), 16:59.

Penalties- Dalgarno, NYI, 8:09.

Second period-3, NY Islanders, Vukota 1 (McDonough, Maloney), :49. 4, NY Islanders, Fitzgerald 1 (Volek), 2:15. 5, Toronto, Maguire 3 (McIntyre, Damphousse), 7:14. 6, NY Islanders, Wood 5 (LaFontaine), 16:13.

Penalties-Iafrate, Tor, 14:19, Fitzgerald, NYI, 14:19; Reekie, NYI, misconduct 14:19.

Third period-7, Toronto, Thibaudeau 2 (unassisted), 2:54.

Penalties-Clark, Tor, 5:09; Pilon, NYI, 5:09.

Shots on goal-Toronto 18-8-12-38. NY Islanders 10-10-12-32.

Power-play conversions-Toronto 1-0. NY Islanders 0-0.

Goaltenders-Toronto, Ing. NY Islanders, Healy. A-10,336.

Referee-Mike McGeough.

Washington	2	1	1-4
Quebec	0	0	1-1

First period-1, Washington, Leach 2 (Druce, Tatarinov), pp, 5:06. 2, Washington, Druce 8 (Pivonka, Hunter), pp, 10:43.

Penalties-Cirella, Que, 3:12; Gillis, Que, 5:52; Johansson, Was, 8:12; Nolan, Que, 10:28; Tatarinov, Was, 16:07.

Second period-3, Washington, Bondra 3 (Druce), 14:06.

Penalties-Gillis, Que, 2:43; Was bench (served by Bondra), 6:06; Cirella, Que, 11:28; Kypreos, Was, major (fighting), 15:43; Kimble, Que, major (fighting), 15:43; Bondra, Was, 17:11.

Third period-4, Washington, Bondra 4 (unassisted), 10:42. 5, Quebec, DeBlois 2 (Broten, Fogarty), 14:40.

Penalties-Murray, Was, major (fighting), 12:44; Gillis, Que, major (fighting), 12:44; Kimble, Que, misconduct, 12:44.

Shots on goal-Washington 15-10-14-39. Quebec 8-8-6-22.

Power-play conversions-Washington 5-2. Quebec 4-0.

Goaltenders-Washington, Liut. Quebec, Tugnutt. A-13,027.

Referee-Lance Roberts.

Chicago	0	1	0	0-1
Hartford	0	0	1	0-1

First Period-No scoring.

Penalties-McGill, Chi, 3:13; Presley, Chi, 14:15; Cunneyworth, Har, 14:15; Shaw, Har, 19:03.

Second Period-1, Chicago, Thomas 1 (unassisted), 15:38.

Penalties-Goulet, Chi, 3:35; Baca, Har, 5:58; Brown, Chi, 12:55; Kucera, Chi, 13:45; Francis, Har, 13:45; Lemieux, Chi, major (fighting), 15:38; Evason, Har major (fighting), 15:38; Thomas, Chi, 15:38; Presley, Chi, 18:50; Dineen, Har 18:50.

Third Period-2, Hartford, Verbeek 4 (Holik, Francis), 2:31.

Penalties-Peluso, Chi, 7:57; Kastelic, Har, double-minor (served by Wilson), 7:57; McGill, Chi, 14:49; McGill, Chi, 17:12; Cyr, Har, 17:12.

Overtime-No scoring.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Chicago 11-10-7-2-30. Hartford 13-10-4-2-29.

Power-play conversions-Chicago 3-0. Hartford 5-0.

Goaltenders-Chicago, Hasek. Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. A-11,323.

Referee-Denis Morel.

Philadelphia	2	0	2-4
Winnipeg	1	1	0-2

First period-1, Philadelphia, Smith 3 (Acton, Kushner), 3:02. 2, Philadelphia, Baron (Ricci), 4:12. 3, Winnipeg, Housley 5 (Ellett, Numminen), pp, 13:23.

Penalties-Donnelly, Wpg, 7:21; Baron, Phi, 11:17; Eklund, Phi, 12:50; Huffman, Phi, 15:26; Evans, Wpg, 15:26.

Second period-4, Winnipeg, Elynuik 5 (Olausson, Housley), pp, 11:27.

Penalties-Samuelsson, Phi, 2:23; Fenton, Wpg, 3:20; Murphy, Phi, 5:25; Carlyle Wpg, 5:25; Tocchet, Phi, 10:21.

Third period-5, Philadelphia, Tocchet 11 (Samuelsson, Sutter), 6:01. 6, Philadelphia, Sutter (Tocchet, Mellanby), 14:42.

Penalties-Smail, Wpg, 1:46; Craven, Phi, 9:12; Murphy, Phi (double minor), 17:53. McLlwain, Wpg, (double minor), 17:53.

Shots on goal-Philadelphia 6-4-16-26. Winnipeg 13-9-5-27.

Power-play conversions-Philadelphia 1-0. Winnipeg 5-2.

Goaltenders-Philadelphia, Peeters. Winnipeg, Beauregard. A-11,771.

Referee-Richard Trottier.

Detroit	1	1	1-3
Vancouver	1	1	4-6

First period-1, Detroit, Kocur 3 (Yzerman), 2:16. 2, Vancouver, Bradley 5 (Nordmark, Skriko), pp, 6:06.

Penalties-Green, Det, 4:34; Valk, Van, 8:33; Burr, Det, 14:28; Kocur, Det, major (fighting), 16:55; Agnew, Van, major (fighting), 16:55; Fedyk, Det, 18:06.

Second period-3, Detroit, Fedorov 7 (Yzerman, Djoos), pp, 2:49. 4, Vancouver, Butcher 3 (Bozek, Skriko), 7:54.

Penalties-Valk, Van, 1:10; Green, Det, 4:02; Garpenlov, Det, 5:40; Bradley, Van, 5:40; Norwood, Det, misconduct, 11:43; Smyl, Van, misconduct, 11:43; Gallant, Det, 13:50; Burr, Det, 17:29; Barr, Det, 20:00; Plavsic, Van, 20:00.

Third period-5, Detroit, Fedorov 8 (Djoos), pp, 4:46. 6, Vancouver, Linden 8 (Bradley, Quinn), pp, 12:40. 7, Vancouver, Lidster 2 (Linden, Quinn), pp, 13:21. 8, Vancouver, Capuano 6 (Bozek), 16:27. 9, Vancouver, Bozek 5 (Bradley, Lidster), en, 19:09.

Penalties-Larionov, Van, 3:32; Carson, Det, 10:50; McCrimmon, Det, 12:18; Djoos, Det, 13:55; Bozek, Van, 16:48.

Shots on goal-Detroit 7-6-8-21. Vancouver 12-10-7-29.

Power-play conversions-Detroit 4-2. Vancouver 9-3.

Goalies-Detroit, Cheveldae. Vancouver, McLean. A-15,841.

Referee-Paul Devorski.

Calgary	4	0	1--5
Pittsburgh	3	0	3--6

First period-1, Calgary, Fleury 8 (MacInnis, Suter), 2:50. 2, Pittsburgh, Mullen 11 (Coffey, Brown), 9:29. 3, Pittsburgh, Gilhen 4 (Hillier), 10:37. 4, Calgary, Roberts 3 (Macoun), 11:23. 5, Calgary, Ranheim 9 (Gilmour, Fleury), 11:46. 6, Calgary, Nieuwendyk 9 (Makarov, Roberts), 12:05. 7, Pittsburgh,

Zalapski 3 (Cullen, Recchi), pp, 15:34.

Penalties-Coffey, Pit, 0:45; Musil, Cal, 13:07; Coffey, Pit, 13:07; Bureau, Cal, 13:28; Macoun, Cal, 14:23.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Nattress, Cal, 1:55; Musil, Cal, 10:36; Johansson, Cal, 14:39; Jagr, Pit, 17:35.

Third period-8, Pittsburgh, Zalapski 4 (Cullen, Stevens), 13:44. 9, Calgary, Otto 5 (Gilmour, MacInnis), pp, 16:07. 10, Pittsburgh, Errey 4 (Cullen, Zalapski), 17:04. 11, Pittsburgh, Coffey 5 (Zalapski, Cullen), pp, 19:46.

Penalties-Hillier, Pit, 14:42; MacInnis, Cal, 17:34, Brown, Pit, 17:34, Gilmour, Cal, 19:10.

Shots on goal-Calgary 11-14-13-38. Pittsburgh 8-3-9-20.

Power-play conversions-Calgary 1-3. Pittsburgh 2-6.

Goaltenders-Calgary, Vernon. Pittsburgh, Pietrangelo, Barrasso (0:00, 2nd per). A- 16,164.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

Edmonton	0	0	1-1
St. Louis	1	1	0-2

First period-1, St. Louis, Hull 17 (Stevens, MacLean), pp, 9:50.

Penalties-S.Smith, Edm, 7:48; Lamb, Edm, 8:53; Brind'Amour, StL, 15:03; Beukeboom, Edm, 19:45.

Second period-2, St. Louis, Courtnall 9 (Sutter, Dirk), 11:24.

Penalties-Linseman, Edm, 7:42; Raglan, StL, 11:55; Muni, Edm, 16:56.

Third period-3, Edmonton, Anderson 1 (Simpson, Huddy), 12:43.

Penalties- Linseman, Edm, 9:50; Linseman, Edm, 19:54; Lowery, StL, 19:54.

Shots on goal-Edmonton 9-5-13-27. St. Louis 18-10-12-40.

Power-play conversions-Edmonton 3-0. St. Louis 6-1.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Ranford. St. Louis, Riendeau, Joseph (12:29 3rd period). A-17,083.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

LA CLIPPERS (109)

Kimble 6-17 6-6 20, Norman 11-21 8-10 30, Bannister 5-10 6-12 16, Garland 4-9 0-0 8, Grant 0-3 0-0 0, Garrick 3-7 1-1 7, Manning 5-11 5-5 15, Vaught 3-7 1-2 7, Martin 1-3 0-0 2, Butler 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 40-90 27-36 109.

GOLDEN STATE (130)

Mullin 8-10 9-9 26, Tolbert 5-8 4-5 14, Lister 3-4 2-4 8, Hardaway 5-11 2-4 12 Richmond 9-15 2-2 21, Higgins 3-7 3-3 10, Hill 2-4 2-5 6, Marciulionis 5-8 11-15 21, Pritchard 2-3 2-2 6, Johnson 1-2 0-0 2, Jepsen 1-4 0-0 2, Smrek 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 45-77 37-49 130.

LA Clippers	31	24	26	28-109
Golden State	30	30	37	33-130

Three-point goals-Kimble 2, Mullin, Richmond, Higgins. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-LA Clippers 38, Golden State 26. Rebounds-LA Clippers 41 (Norman 8), Golden State 43 (Lister 10). Assists-LA Clippers 28 (Grant 12), Golden State 32 (Hardaway 13). Technical fouls-none. A-15,025.

PORTLAND (125)

Kersey 0-4 0-0 0, Williams 8-11 4-5 20, Duckworth 6-13 10-12 22, Drexler 10-21 4-5 27, Porter 8-19 5-6 23, Ainge 6-9 0-0 16, Robinson 5-7 0-1 10, Cooper 0-0 2-2 2, Young 0-1 0-0 0, Bryant 2-2 1-2 5, Abdelnaby 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 45-87 26-22 125.

LA LAKERS (123)

Green 4-10 7-9 15, Worthy 12-20 2-3 26, Divac 10-13 1-2 21, Johnson 8-16 7-7 24, Scott 5-11 2-3 13, Perkins 1-5 3-6 5, Teagle 5-12 5-6 15, Campbell 1-1 0-0 2, Drew 0-0 0-0 0, Brown 0-0 0-0 0, Thompson 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 47-89 27-36 123.

Portland	23	38	24	32	8-125
LA Lakers	27	28	28	34	6-123

Three-point goals-Ainge 4, Drexler 3, Porter 2, Johnson, Scott. Fouled out-Ainge, Divac, Perkins. Total fouls-Portland 30, LA Lakers 31. Rebounds-Portland 38 (Williams 12), LA Lakers 39 (Divac 13). Assists-Portland

31 (Porter 12), LA Lakers 37 (Johnson 22). Technical-Portland (illegal defense). A-16,361.

ATLANTA (102)

Wilkins 7-18 10-11 24, Willis 2-5 2-3 6, Malone 4-6 8-11 16, Rivers 5-11 4-4 15, Robinson 4-5 0-0 8, McCormick 5-8 0-0 10, Moncrief 3-5 4-4 10, Battle 1-3 1-1 3, Ferrell 3-6 2-2 8, Wright 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 35-72 31-36 102.

SACRAMENTO (85)

Simmons 5-13 0-0 10, Tisdale 10-15 6-10 26, Wennington 3-8 2-2 8, Sparrow 1-6 0-0 2, Hansen 4-9 2-2 11, Leckner 0-2 0-0 0, Mays 3-11 7-8 14, Calloway 1-3 1-1 3, Colter 0-3 0-0 0, Carr 3-6 0-0 6, Causwell 2-3 1-2 5. Totals 32-79 19-25 85.

Atlanta	27	23	25	27-102
Sacramento	14	30	23	18- 85

Three-poing goals-Rivers; Hansen, Mays. Fouled out-Wennington. Total fouls-Atlanta 25, Sacramento 29. Rebounds-Atlanta 43 (Willis 9), Sacramento 30 (Simmons 9). Assists-Atlanta 22 (Wilkins 6), Sacramento 26 (Simmons 5). Technicals-Atlanta (illegal defense 2). A-17,014.

MILWAUKEE (106) Robertson 13-24 2-6 27, Humphries 9-16 2-3 20, Sikma 8-11 3-3 19, Brickowski 6-12 5-5 17, Pierce 4-16 6-6 13, Grayer 1-3 2-2 4, Roberts 1-6 0-0 2, Schayes 1-3 0-0 2, Anderson 1-2 0-0 2, Henson 0-4 0-0 0, Lohaus 0-2 0-0 0, Kornet 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 44-101 20-2106.

MIAMI (94) Rice 9-18 2-4 19, Burton 5-17 7-7 17, Wagner 8-17 0-0 15, Douglas 5-10 1-2 11, Seikaly 5-13 0-3 10, Davis 3-5 2-4 8, Kessler 3-7 0-0 6, Coles 1-6 2-2 4, Edwards 2-12 0-1 4, Thompson 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 41-107 14-23 94.

Milwaukee	26	28	32	20-106
Miami	20	30	20	24- 94

Three-point goal(s)- Milwaukee 2 (Robertson, Pierce) Miami 2 (Rice, Wagner). Fouled out-none. Total fouls- Milwaukee 25, Miami 22. Rebounds-Milwaukee 57 (Robertson 12), Miami 68 (Burton, Seikaly 12). Assists-Milwaukee 25 (Humphries 11), Miami 28 (Douglas 9). Technical(s)-none. A-15,008.

MINNESOTA (96)

Corbin 8-12 7-8 23, Murphy 4-7 0-0 8, Breuer 6-12 1-1 13, Campbell 8-22 6-8 22 Richardson 8-13 0-0 17, Spencer 1-5 1-1 3, Mitchell 2-7 2-2 6, Brooks 2-5 0-0 4, Glass 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 39-84 17-20 96.

INDIANA (98)

Person 9-17 0-0 18, Thompson 2-13 2-4 6, Smits 1-7 3-3 5, Fleming 9-16 1-3 19, Miller 7-13 14-15 29, Sanders 1-3 0-0 2, Schrempf 5-7 5-6 15, M. Williams 1-3 2-2 4, McCloud 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 35-79 27-33 98.

Minnesota	34	21	24	17-96
Indiana	22	23	23	30-98

Three-point shots-Miller, Richardson. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Minnesota 26, Indiana 22. Rebounds-Minnesota 46 (Breuer 12), Indiana 36 (Thompson 10). Assists-Minnesota 17 (Richardson 11), Indiana 21 (Miller 7). A-8,437.

DALLAS (96)

McCray 2-3 2-2 6, Tarpley 13-23 3-3 29, Donaldson 3-10 5-5 11, Blackman 8-16 4-5 20, Harper 6-12 3-3 15, English 2-9 0-0 4, Lever 1-3 2-2 4, Williams 1-4 2-2 4, Davis 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 37-82 21-22 96.

NEW YORK (91)

Oakley 5-13 0-0 10, Vandeweghe 3-7 2-2 8, Ewing 9-17 8-8 26, Jackson 4-9 3-3 11, G.Wilkins 5-9 5-7 15, Quinnett 2-5 0-0 4, Mustaf 2-5 0-0 4, Cheeks 2-4 0-0 4, Tucker 3-8 0-0 7, E.Wilkins 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 36-79 18-20 91.

Dallas	25	15	27	29--96
New York	27	22	23	19--91

Three-point goals-Davis, Tucker. Fouls-Dallas 15, New York 26. Fouled out-None. Rebounds-Dallas 33 (Tarpley 8). New York 44 (Oakley 18). Assists-Dallas 21 (Harper 7). New York 23 (Jackson 7). Technicals- None. A-14,056.

CLEVELAND (102)

Nance 10-16 3-4 23, Brown 5-8 3-5 13, Daugherty 6-14 4-6 16, Paddio 7-11 0-0 15, Price 6-13 4-4 17, Ehlo 2-6 2-4 6, Williams 2-7 0-0 4, Morton 0-0 2-2 2, Bennett 0-1 1-2 1, Ferry 1-3 3-4 5, Kerr 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 39-90 22-31 102.

ORLANDO (95)

Catledge 2-11 0-0 4, Reynolds 2-9 8-8 12, Kite 0-1 1-2 1, Skiles 0-4 2-2 2, Anderson 8-19 3-4 20, Acres 0-1 0-0 0, Vincent 6-15 5-7 17, Smith 5-16 4-6 15, McNamara 0-1 0-0 0, Scot 0-3 0-0 0, Ansley 6-8 3-5 15, Turner 4-8 1-2 9. Totals 33-96 27-36 95.

Cleveland	29	15	26	32-102
Orlando	20	16	28	31- 95

Three-point goals-Paddio, Price; Smith, Anderson. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Cleveland 26, Orlando 29. Rebounds- Cleveland 46 (Nance, Daugherty 12), Orlando 47 (Vincent, Anderson 7). Assists-Cleveland 26 (Price 13), Orlando 21 (Vincent 11). Technicals-None. A-15,077.

NEW JERSEY (105)

Morris 7-13 1-2 15, Haley 3-4 3-4 9, Bowie 5-11 2-3 12, Blaylock 3-9 2-2 8, Theus 9-19 8-9 26, Coleman 2-10 3-4 7, Lee 0-1 0-0 0, Gervin 8-16 3-3 20, Dudley 2-2 0-0 4, Buechler 1-3 2-2 4, Conner 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 40-90 24-29 105.

CHARLOTTE (113)

Newman 5-12 8-11 18, Gilliam 10-16 7-7 27, Reid 7-8 3-5 17, Bogues 3-9 5-5 11, Chapman 3-10 2-2 9, Tripucka 1-4 4-4 6, Gattison 3-7 2-2 8, Gill 1-5 2-4 4, Curry 2-7 5-6 10, Hoppen 1-1 1-1 3, Scheffler 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 36-79 39-47 113.

New Jersey	31	31	19	24-105
Charlotte	28	34	25	26-113

Three-point goals-Gervin; Chapman, Curry. Fouled out-Morris, Bowie. Total fouls-New Jersey 35, Charlotte 27. Rebounds-New Jersey 43 (Coleman 14), Charlotte 46 (Gilliam 14). Assists-New Jersey 27 (Blaylock 13), Charlotte 24 (Bogues 8). Technical fouls-New Jersey (illegal defense). A-23,901.

DETROIT (92)

Aguirre 2-8 4-4 9, Edwards 5-10 6-8 16, Laimbeer 5-11, 3-3 14, Dumars 8-15 7-7 23, Thomas 3-13 4-4 10, Johnson 3-7 0-1 6, Rodman 1-3 2-2 4, Salley 0-1 0-0 0, Bedford 3-3 0-0 9, Blanks 0-2 1-2 1. Totals 30-73, 27-31 92.

SEATTLE (100)

McDaniel 9-21 6-7 24, McKey 8-13 5-7 21, Cage 1-3, 2-2 4, Payton 4-8 1-2 9, Threatt 7-15 2-2 16, Dailey 2-4 0-2 4, Polynice 1-4 5-6 7, Barros 2-2 3-3 7, Kemp 2-6 4-6 8. Totals 36-76 28-37 100.

Detroit	22	18	27	25- 92
Seattle	23	18	30	29- 100

Three-point goals-Bedford 3, Laimbeer, Aguirre. Fouled out-None. Team fouls-Detroit 29, Seattle 27. Rebounds-Detroit 33 (Edwards 9, Laimbeer 9), Seattle 41 (Kemp 13). Assists-Detroit 19 (Dumars 5, Thomas 5), Seattle 18 (Payton 6). A-13,078.

DENVER (135)

Lane 2-5 0-0 4, 11-23 4-6 26, Rasmussen 6-16 1-3 13, Johnson 7-11 1-2 15, Lichti 10-21 6-7 27, Davis 8-21 4-6 20, Dunn 2-4 0-0 4, Gaines 6-11 4-4 18, Wolf 2-7 2-2 6, Cook 0-1 0-0 0, Liberty 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 55-121 22-30 135.

HOUSTON (145)

Thorpe 7-14 7-9 21, Wood 1-6 5-6 7, Olajuwon 11-19 2-2 24, K. Smith 11-15 12-14 35, Woodson 6-14 4-6 16, Maxwell 8-13 4-7 23, Caldwell 1-3 0-0 2, Floyd 1-7 2-2 4, Winchester 4-6 0-0 10, L. Smith 0-1 0-0 0, Feitl 1-4 1-2 3, Jamerson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 51-102 37-48 145.

Denver	44	32	27	34-135
Houston	44	43	24	34-145

Three-point goals-Lichti, Gaines 2, K.Smith, Maxwell 3, Winchester 2. Fouled Out-Rasmussen, Olajuwon. Total fouls-Denver 35, Houston 22. Rebounds-Denver 47 (Rasmussen 15), Houston 66 (Thorpe 22). Assists-Denver 29 (Johnson 15), Houston 34 (K. Smith 11). Technicals-Woodson, Olajuwon. A-14,002.

BOSTON (110)

Bird 11-16 2-2 24, Pinckney 3-3 1-2 7, Parish 2-5 4-6 8, Shaw 8-15 4-6 20, Lewis 5-7 3-3 13, Kleine 0-2 0-2 0, McHale 6-9 7-9 19, Brown 2-6 0-0 4, Gamble 5-11 5-7 15. Totals 42-74 26-37 110.

CHICAGO (108)

Pippen 9-16 5-6 23, Grant 4-7 0-0 8, Cartwright 5-11 0-0 10, Paxson 6-10 1-1 13, Jordan 14-28 5-6 33, King 3-4 4-9 10, Armstrong 1-5 1-1 3, Perdue 1-3 0-1 2, Hopson 2-5 0-2 4, Hodges 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 46-92 16-26 108.

Boston	24	27	28	31--110
Chicago	32	21	37	18--108

Three-point goals-None. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Boston 24, Chicago 23. Rebounds-Boston 47 (Bird 11), Chicago 35 (Cartwright, Jordan 8). Assists-Boston 20 (Shaw 8), Chicago 34 (Jordan 12). Technicals-None. A-18,676.

-30- 9580

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska (NOV. 7) UPI - Alaskans voted Tuesday to join the national war on drugs by outlawing marijuana, which has been legal in the state for 15 years.

With two-thirds of the vote counted by midnight, 54 percent supported a proposition to make possession of marijuana a crime punishable by up to 90 days in jail.

It was not the 2-1 ratio pollsters predicted for passage of the marijuana recriminalization measure, but it was enough to outlaw the drug.

''We would have preferred to win,'' said Anchorage lawyer Bill Bryson of Alaskans for Privacy, the group battling the recriminalization measure.

Advocates of the status quo - keeping pot possession legal - argued that the issue was privacy. The state Supreme Court ruled in 1975 that the privacy clause of the state constitution protected adult possession of marijuana - in small quantities and in the privacy of their homes.

But the recriminalization movement said the issue was drugs, not privacy, that Alaska should join the rest of the United States in outlawing the drug.

Bryson predicted that the issue would land in court again and said, ''There's no doubt about it. We're not going to quit.''

It was a court challenge in the first place that prompted the state Supreme Court to throw out Alaska's pot law. State legislators later set the legal amount at less than 4 ounces.

Even Gov. Steve Cowper, who supported recriminalization of marijuana, predicted that outlawing pot possession will lead to new court battles by the privacy advocates who got it legalized in the first place.

Federal drug czar William Bennett campaigned in Alaska for Proposition 2 to outlaw marijuana, but Bryson said Bennett's role was negligible.

Bryson said voters simply failed to accept the proposition as a privacy issue and jumped on the national anti-drug bandwagon.

''I don't think people personalized it as their privacy rights,'' Bryson said.

Although Alaskans for Privacy outspent Alaskans for Recriminalization of Marijuana, Bryson said that a constant barrage of publicity, including numerous editorials in the Anchorage Times, played a role in the vote to outlaw pot.

Passage of the marijuana proposition makes possession of any amount of marijuana a misdemeanor. Alaska will go from having the most liberal marijuana law in the nation to having one more punishing that many states.

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UNIVERSAL CITY, CA (NOV. 7) UPI - A spectacular fire erupted on the backlot at Universal Studios, causing millions of dollars in damage to at least three

major attractions, and disrupting the Republicans' election night party.

Flames broke out on a sound stage of one of the world's most popular tourist attractions about 7:20 p.m. Tuesday and, fanned by winds gusting to more than 50 mph, quickly spread to brush-covered hills nearby, city fire spokesman Pat Marek said.

At least five buildings were engulfed in flames by the time firefighters arrived.

County Fire Chief Michael Freeman said the ''Dick Tracy,'' ''King Kong'' and ''Back To The Future'' attractions were heavily damaged in what he called a ''firestorm.''

The flames came right up to the Universal film vault, but firefighters were able to save the priceless archives.

Freeman said one firefighter was treated for burns, and the flames caused damage that will ''run into the millions of dollars.''

Fire Inspector Jim Gandee termed the sets ''matchbox structures'' and said it was strange fighting a fire in a movie lot.

''You recognize some of the structures,'' he said. ''It kind of pulls at your heart strings a little bit. It was very difficult.''

More than 400 firefighters and six water-dropping helicopters had the fiercest portion of the fire out in about 2 1/2 hours, but flames continued to burn in pockets of surrounding brush well into the night.

A full moon helped firefighters see through the thick black and gray smoke and glowing red embers that spewed from the burning structures. The dramatic scene caused gawking motorists to slow on at least two major freeways.

At least 200 employees of the amusement park were evacuated. At least two restaurants - Tony Roma's and Victoria Station - and the huge Odion Cineplex theater complex were also evacuated as a precaution.

George Geller, a manager at Tony Roma's about 100 yards from the fire coughed as he said, ''There's a lot of smoke... a lot of wind. You can't see any flames, just a lot of smoke, a lot of orange stuff.''

The blaze could be seen for miles, and firefighters said chemicals and explosives used in filming and on the tram tour fed the fire.

Dan Schnur, a spokesman for the Republican Party, said many of those scheduled to attend an election night celebration at the Universal Hilton were delayed because there were road blocks all around the fire.

The hotel, about a half-mile from the fire, was not evacuated, although the ceremonies and speeches were delayed.

Also a possible victim is the planned $8 billion purchase of Universal and its parent company MCA by Japan's Matsushita Electric Industries Corp., usually known as Panasonic. The studio, amphitheater and other facilities on more than 400 acres north of downtown Los Angeles are worth an estimated $500 million.

Arson investigators had not determined the cause of the fire by late Tuesday night.

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#90311u0777 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, Greece (NOV. 7) UPI - A powerful earthquake measuring 6.6 on the Richter scale hit a mountainous area of southern Iran, killing at least 21 people, injuring 80 others and leaving 21,000 homeless, a report said Wednesday.

The temblor, coming four months after a devastating quake struck northern Iran rocked a sparsely populated region in the quake-prone Zagros mountains Tuesday. The Tehran University Geophysical Institute said the quake struck at 9:57 p.m. and was centered at Darab, some 500 miles southeast of Tehran.

The official Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored in Athens, said at least 21 people were killed, 80 injured and more than 12,000 made homeless in Darab and villages nearby. Darab is close to a major natural gas field at Kangan, on the Persian Gulf coast.

An aftershock measuring 5.6 on the Richter scale was felt in the area about 65 minutes after the initial shock.

IRNA said President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani sent a team headed by his Executive Vice President Hamid Mirzadeh to tour the stricken area and supervise rescue and relief work.

In Washington, a spokesman for the Mojahedin Khalq Organization, an exiled Iranian dissident group, said at least 100 people were killed or injured by the quake.

An earthquake measuring 7.7 on the Richter scale destroyed several towns and villages in the Alborz mountains northwest of Tehran June 21, killing more than 35,000 people, injuring another 100,000 and leaving some 400,000 homeless.

Reports on the strength of the Darab quake were conflicting. The Tehran Geophysical Institute put it at 6.6 on the Richter scale, but Rebecca Phipps of the U.S. Geophysical Survey near Washington said it measured 7.0 and was

centered 550 miles south of Tehran.

The variance mirrored the difference between the figures issued by the two institutes for the June quake, which the Tehran institute put at 7.3.

Mojahedin Khalq spokesman Alireza Jaafarzadeh said according to information received from inside Iran about one hour after the Darab quake, ''at least 100 people were injured or killed, about 50-50.''

He said the quake struck ''late at night when most people were in their homes. The toll will probably go higher. Most of the homes are made of clay and arent resistant to earthquakes.

Iran is still recovering from the economic shock of the June quake. Rafsanjani who visited the quake-hit area only last week, said his government had to build some 137,000 new homes, or the equivalent of a whole new city of more than 1 million people.

Iran is building one of the world's largest natural gas refineries in an area some 100 miles from the epicenter of the latest quake.

There were no immediate reports of damage to the partially built facility, but earlier reports said it was being made quake-proof.

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TONOPAH, NE (NOV. 7) UPI - Joe Richards, an owner of three legal houses of prostitution in Nye County, was defeated Tuesday in his bid for a seat on the county commission.

Richards joins a list of brothel owners who in past years tried their luck in politics and failed.

Richards, a Democrat, was beaten by Republican Dave Hannigan 458 to 366. Richards had won the party nomination in the September primary election.

He sought the seat held by Robert Revert who retired.

Both Richards and Revert were indicted by a Nye County grand jury on bribery charges last year. Revert was accused of accepting a $20,000 bribe from Richards in exchange for his vote favoring Richards' three brothel licenses and against the application of a competing brothel owner.

Both Richards and Reverts said the $20,000 transaction was a business loan.

The Nye County district attorney asked the court earlier this year to dismiss the indictments.

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#90311u0793 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 7) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-I-I.

Federal drug policy director William Bennett is reported ready to turn in his resignation. A report today says Bennett will resign in the next few days. Bennett has spent a large part of the last two months campaigning for Republican candidates around the country. The report says Bennett has NOT made any plans for after he leaves the drug policy job.

Israeli police have stepped up patrols as Rabbi Meir Kahane's body is being flown to his adopted country for burial. Police in Israel and in New York City... where Kahane was shot to death... are trying to prevent revenge killings. A Jew shot to death two Arabs on the West Bank Tuesday.

A double agent who escaped from a London jail and fled to the Soviet Union in 1966 says he'd do it again. George Blake was a British intelligence officer who decided to become a Soviet spy while interned during the Korean War. Blake told the Communist Party newspaper Pravda that he remains true to his ideals.

Hungary is the first Eastern European country to join a Western European political organization. Hungary joined the Council of Europe at a ceremony in Rome Tuesday. Poland and Czechoslovakia also are expected to join. The council's 24 members concentrate mainly on support for human rights.

Researchers in Singapore report a new way to help smokers cut back on their addiction. Physicians are using ''needle-less'' acupuncture on smokers. They claim an 80 percent success rate. The researchers say using electronic pulses on acupuncture points is beneficial to people who have an aversion to needles.

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#90311u0804 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (NOV. 7) UPI - President Frederik de Klerk faced an important test of urban support for his racial reform initiatives in a parliamentary by-election Wednesday between candidates of the ruling National Party and the right-wing Conservative Party.

De Klerk's candidate, Marthinus van Schalkwyk, was certain to win control of the seat. The only major question was by how much and whether a sharp swing of voters to white-supremacist Conservative Party candidate Leonie Steele would demonstrate increasing wariness over de Klerk's reforms.

Polls opened at 7 a.m. in unseasonably chilly weather in Randburg, a white-collar satellite city on the edge of the greater metropolitan area of

Johannesburg. It has traditionally voted in favor of a liberal member of parliament.

The polling ends in the constituency of about 14,000 at 9 p.m. and results were expected about two hours later.

CP leader Andries Treurnicht earlier this week predicted a substantial shift in support to his party in a popular rejection of the government's plans to share power with South Africa's black majority.

De Klerk has appealed for a major victory to blunt the right-wing claims of a swelling support base and warned Randburg's voters that the Conservative Party was using ''all the venom, bitterness and dirty tricks'' at its disposal.

The seat became vacant with the resignation of Wynand Malan of the liberal Democratic Party, forcing the second by-election of the year.

Because of improving relations with the National Party, the Democratic Party agreed not to field a candidate, making the Randburg contest a straight battle between the forces for reform and the forces against.

State-run radio reported the poll was ''one of the country's most important by-elections in this country's history'' and said the results would have ''an important bearing on the political road to be followed in the future.''

Other analysts believed the polling would only have a substantial impact if the Conservative Party makes major inroads among English- speaking voters in the urban area or if the National Party fails to attract the traditional liberal support.

In the last election, the CP won fewer than 1,000 votes in Randburg. It expects to poll at least 2,800 in this poll. But a generally lower voter interest in by-elections and the absence of a ''liberal'' candidate may cloud the results.

Continued white support for the National Party becomes increasingly important as de Klerk lays the groundwork for the start of full-blown negotiations with black leaders as early as next year on a post- apartheid constitution. The 54-year-old president has pledged to hold a referendum among whites for the new constitution, which the CP has vowed to oppose.

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#90311u0811 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

KIEV, Ukraine, U.S.S.R. (NOV. 7) UPI - Soviet riot police beat and detained students camped out in a Kiev square Wednesday trying to prevent the Ukrainian capital's Revolution Day military parade from taking place, witnesses said.

Activists in the Rukh nationalist organization later disrupted the Communist procession with chants of ''traitors, traitors'' and ''down with the occupiers.''

About 200 students occupied Victory Square overnight to await the 10 a.m. opening of the military parade on the anniversary of the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution.

Sergei Koniukhov, one of the student activists, said that about 2,000 club-swinging riot police appeared at the square at 5:15 a.m. in a dawn raid to disperse the students before the parade.

''I cannot tell you exactly how many, but I think several students were injured,'' Koniukhov said. ''At least 20 of the students were loaded into paddy wagons and carried away.''

Konikhov said his ripped coat was torn in the clash with police and quoted a doctor who arrived in an ambulance as saying that one girl suffered a concussion when she was struck on the head with a club.

Koniukhov said some of the injured students walked or were carried to the Rukh headquarters, a two-story building on Victory Square.

A 10-day hunger strike by students in Kiev last month led to the resignation of the government in the giant Ukraine, where the nationalist-controlled parliament passed a declaration of sovereignty during the summer.

When the military parade began Wednesday in strong rain and wind, Victory Square was sealed off by thousands of army and police troops standing shoulder to shoulder along surrounding streets.

About 60 Rukh activists appeared on the roof of their building with blue-and-yellow national Ukrainian flags and shouted, ''Traitors, traitors'' as 3,000 Communists marched across the plaza.

During the procession of army, navy and air force troops, the Rukh nationalists chanted: ''Down with the occupiers.''

''The Rukh building looks like a reviewing stand,'' one Ukrainian remarked as he watched troops, tanks, armored personnel carriers and rocket launchers rolled across the square in a 30-minute parade.

Some of the marching soldiers smiled and waved at the Rukh activists, but others in tanks aimed their anti-aircraft machine guns at the Rukh building.

''You should fire at them,'' one Communist activist shouted from the audience.

Several windows in the area were decorated with black ''mourning flags'' to

express popular opposition to Communist rule.

An hour after the parade, Mikhail Horyn, a Rukh leader, addressed a rally of about 4,000 activists in front of the city's monument to Bohgdan Smirnitsky, the 17th-century Ukrainian patriot, and urged the crowd to fight for free Ukraine.

''Everything depends on every one of you - whether the Ukraine will be free or not,'' Horyn said. ''But the Ukraine must be free, must be free.''

The crowd shouted back: ''Glory to the Ukraine.''

Horyn asked the demonstrators to remove their hats and stand in a minute of silence to mark the deaths of millions of Ukrainians killed in the Ukrainian famine of the early 1930s.

Following the rally, thousands of people marched down Kiev's main Kretschatik Avenue, hoisting the blue-and-yellow Ukrainian flags with black ribbons attached.

Miran Kolodko carried a white-and-red banner of Poland's Solidarity trade union.

''I am carrying it because Solidarity was the first to kick out the Communists'' in Eastern Europe, he said.

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7:00 am EST

Alabama (R) R-L - 98 pct

Hubbert	D	574,213	48
Hunt	R-I	619,108	52

Alaska AI-L - 95 pct

Knowles	D	50,775	31
Sturgulewsk	R	44,156	27
Hickel	AI	63,558	39
Sykes	GP	5,418	3

Arizona R-L - 99 pct

Goddard	D	515,711	50
Symington	R	518,940	50
Write-In	WI	7,050	1

Arkansas (D) D-L - 96 pct

Clinton	D-I	374,406	57
Nelson	R	279,511	43

California R-L - 92 pct

Feinstein	D	3,035,000	47
Wilson	R	3,137,340	48
McCready	AI	118,065	2
Thompson	B	123,118	2
Munoz	PF	81,742	1

Colorado (D) D-L - 99 pct

Romer	D-I	624,501	63
Andrews	R	362,553	37

Connecticut I-L - 99 pct

Morrison	D	232,077	21
Rowland	R	423,101	38
Weicker	I	455,430	40
Zdonczyk	I	16,541	1

Florida (R) D-L - 98 pct

Chiles	D	1,938,170	57
Martinz	R-I	1,487,300	43

Georgia D-L - 99 pct

Miller	D	755,283	53
Isakson	R	635,235	45
Rand	B	36,534	3

Hawaii (D) D-L - 99 pct

Waihee	D-I	160,502	62
Hemmings	R	99,366	38

Idaho (D) D-L - 95 pct

Andrus	D-I	199,467	67
Fairchild	R	96,069	33

Illinois R-L - 98 pct

Hartigan	D	1,535,970	48
Edgar	R	1,633,320	52

Iowa (R) R-L - 99 pct

Avenson	D	375,002	39
Branstad	R-I	582,842	61

Kansas (R) D-L - 99 pct

Finney	D	379,697	53
Hayden	R-I	331,899	47

Maine (R) R-L - 88 pct

Brennan	D	192,819	44
McKernn	R-I	200,710	46
Adam	U	40,452	9

Maryland (D) D-L - 100 pct

Schaefer	D-I	644,528	60
Shepard	R	435,363	40

Massachusetts R-L - 91 pct

Silber	D	984,069	49
Weld	R	1,043,650	51

Michigan (D) R-L - 99 pct

Blnchrd	D-I	1,248,200	50

Engler R 1,249,920 50
Minnesota (D) R-L - 89 pct
Perpich D-I 653,130 49
Carlson R 673,762 51
Nebraska (R) D-L - 99 pct
Nelson D 284,586 50
Orr R-I 280,327 50
Sullivan WI 1,009 0
Nevada (D) D-L - 88 pct
Miller D-I 175,931 66
Gallaway R 82,429 31
None These I 7,701 3
New Hampshire (R) R-L - 99 pct
Grandmasn D 100,994 36
Gregg R-I 175,719 64
New Mexico D-L - 99 pct
King D 222,713 54
Bond R 186,603 46
New York (D) D-L - 99 pct
Cuomo D-I 2,098,780 53
Rinfret R 851,482 22
London C 814,783 21
Wein T 152,183 4
Fulani NA 30,798 1
Ohio R-L - 100 pct
Celebrezz D 1,527,150 44
Voinovich R 1,924,200 56
Oklahoma D-L - 99 pct
Walters D 524,942 64
Price R 296,173 36
Oregon D-L - 99 pct
Roberts D 468,977 46
Frohnmayr R 401,022 39
Oerther B 13,490 1
Mobley I 133,220 13
Pennsylvania (D) D-L - 99 pct
Casey D-I 2,057,380 68
Hafer R 986,010 32
Rhode Island (R) D-L - 99 pct
Sundlun D 255,495 74
DiPrete R-I 87,961 26
South Carolina (R) R-L - 98 pct
Mitchell D 208,349 29
Campbell R-I 517,753 71
South Dakota (R) R-L - 98 pct
Samuelson D 102,766 41
Mickelson R-I 147,838 59
Tennessee (D) D-L - 100 pct

McWhertr	D-I	476,996	62
Henry	R	286,668	38
Texas D-L - 99 pct			
Richards	D	1,909,930	51
Williams	R	1,813,410	49
Vermont R-L - 99 pct			
Welch	D	93,725	46
Snelling	R	106,274	52
Atkinson	B	2,700	1
Gottlieb	LU	1,363	1
Wisconsin (R) R-L - 98 pct			
Loftus	D	566,401	42
Thompsn	R-I	789,161	58
Wyoming (D) D-L - 99 pct			
Sullivan	D-I	104,192	65
Mead	R	55,085	35

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HONG KONG (NOV. 7) UPI - Hong Kong's first direct legislative elections scheduled for next year have failed to attract large numbers of new voters but the government said Wednesday that it would not compel people to vote.

Chief Secretary, Sir David Ford, said despite a $700,000, 10-week promotion to attract new voters, only 430,000 had sent in registration forms. nearly half were notifications of a change of address from those already registered to vote.

''We expect that we will have 241,530 voters in addition to the existing 1,597,567,'' he said. ''After we have taken into account deletions on account of death, emigration or loss of contact, the provisional register will contain about 1.8 million electors.''

Members of the colony's law-making Legislative Council expressed disappointment that so few of Hong Kong's 5.8 million people had registered, but Ford said the government would not automatically register people to vote nor force them to participate in democracy.

''In free society such as ours, we firmly belive that it should be left to the free, conscious choice of the individual to exercise this right.'' he said.

Hong Kong reverts to Chinese control in seven years and calls for more democracy in the colony on the run up to 1997 greatly increased in the wake of Beijing's brutal crackdown on China's pro-democracy movement in June 1989.

Seats on Hong Kong's local councils have been directly contested for the past decade, but the government has restricted representation in the legislature to

mostly appointees.

Only 18 out of the 60 seats in the legislature will be directly elected in next year's electoral race.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 7) UPI - Republican Jim Edgar, taking the traditionally Democratic role of tax champion, Tuesday won a narrow victory in the Illinois governor's race.

Democrat Sen. Paul Simon, a presidential candidate in 1988 and a top target of the national GOP this year, easily won re-election over Rep. Lynn Martin, a personal friend of President Bush.

Edgar, 44, campaigned on a platform of extending a 20 percent state income tax surcharge scheduled to expire after this year. His Democratic opponent, Attorney General Neil Hartigan, opposed an extension and said he would make up the lost revenue by trimming wasteful state spending.

Edgar said his victory showed a candidate can win while ''leveling with the voters.''

''I wish him ... well in the coming years,'' Hartigan said in conceding the election. ''This has been a long and a hard-fought campaign. The differences have been real. In the end it is the people of Illinois who must come through. People in every section of the state have spoken.''

With 98 percent of the vote counted, Edgar led Hartigan by nearly 100,000 votes, 52 percent to 48 percent.

Edgar is a protege of outgoing Republican Gov. James R. Thompson, who retires as the nation's senior governor after a record 14 years in office.

Simon originally was thought vulnerable this year, in part because of the time he spent away from his Senate duties while campaigning for the White House.

Instead, he blew by Martin almost effortlessly. With 98 percent of the vote tallied, Simon held a lead of nearly 1 million votes - 65 percent to 35 percent.

Claiming victory Tuesday night, Simon said the Republican national campaign committee ''spent more money to defeat me than any other candidate in the nation. That has made this more than an Illinois battle.''

He has not, however, discussed any plans for another try at the presidency.

The bowtied senator drew a laugh from his faithful when he credited Martin political consultant Roger Ailes with helping cement his victory. Simon hit hard on Ailes' reputation as a negative campaigner - a reputation Ailes furthered by publicly calling Simon ''a weenie'' late in the campaign.

The GOP also lost Martin's House district for the first time in its history. Democrat John Cox, a former county prosecutor, defeated Republican John Hallock Jr. by a 55-45 percent margin. The northern Illinois district includes the homes of former presidents Ulysses S. Grant and Ronald Reagan.

Elsewhere in Illinois, the all-black Harold Washington Party flexed newly organized muscle in Chicago, helping to defeat the incumbent Cook County state's attorney and contributing to Hartigan's defeat by withholding black votes from his candidacy.

Black activists, including Rep. Gus Savage, immediately promised to bring their new clout to bear in next February's mayoral primary, when Mayor Richard M. Daley will seek a full term.

Democrats also picked up four seats in the Illinois House, further ensconsing House Speaker Michael Madigan as the state's most powerful Democrat.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange fell nearly 2 percent Wednesday for a second consecutive day in nervous trading.

The Nikkei Average of 225 selective issues, which lost 419.58 points Tuesday, sagged another 465.50 points to 23,500.25.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, which lost 19.61 points Tuesday, fell 29.30 points to 1,752.32.

Selling was broad-based, with declines outpacing advances by more than a 4-to-1 ratio.

An estimated 330 million shares changed hands, up from 295 million Tuesday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks closed lower in listless trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, dampened by continued fear of war in the Middle East and losses in Tokyo and New York.

The Hang Seng Index, which shed 0.53 points Tuesday, dropped 11.52 to 2,955.19.

Among the narrower indexes, financials gained 3.82 points, industrials shed 29.42, utilities lost 4.82 and properties fell 27.88 points.

Volume was thin as an estimated 774 million shares changed hands, up from Tuesday's turnover of 741 million.

In Singapore, stocks slumped in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in line with the drop in Tokyo and continuing fears of war erupting in the Persian Gulf.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 12.58 points Tuesday, fell 11.87 points to 1,108.47. The broader-based All Singapore Index fell 3.00 points to 310.18.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 29.4 million shares, compared with 31.4 million shares Tuesday.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stocks closed slightly higher in light trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

In Seoul, stocks closed sharply higher in active trading on the Korean Exchange.

In Taipei, stocks closed sharply higher on the Taiwan Exchange.

In Australia, prices were sharply higher in active trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

In Wellington, stocks closed sharply higher in active trading on the New Zealand Exchange.

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#90311u1096 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

PHOENIX, AZ (NOV. 7) UPI - Arizona voters narrowly rejected a state holiday to honor Martin Luther King Jr. and sent Democrat Terry Goddard and Republican Fife Symington into a probable runoff for governor.

With only six scattered precincts left to report early Wednesday, Symington led by 3,559 votes out of more than 1 million cast. Voters marked 7,050 ballots for write-ins, leaving both major candidates short of a majority.

Arizona adopted a rule that requires candidates for governor to win a majority of the vote after Evan Mecham became governor four years ago by winning a plurality in a three-way race. Mecham was impeached and removed from office after gaining negative publicity for the state by revoking a King holiday and making controversial statements.

Voters narrowly defeated a proposal that would have celebrated both a King Day and a Columbus Day holiday for state workers. CBS News reported only days before the election that the National Football League would pull the 1993

Super Bowl out of Phoenix if Arizona refused to mark the holiday.

Another proposal that would have substituted a King holiday for Columbus Day was defeated by a wide margin.

Voters approved a state constitutional amendment to create a victims' bill of rights.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque w	45	28	....
Anchorage pc	18	05	....
Asheville pc	63	33	....
Atlanta sy	68	41	....
Baltimore sy	57	36	....
Billings w	48	32	....
Birmingham pc	66	43	....
Bismarck sy	50	20	....
Boston sy	50	35	.15
Brownsville mc	85	52	....
Buffalo snsh	43	32	....
Burlington Vt. pc	40	27	.15
Charleston S.C. sy	76	48	....
Charlotte pc	65	40	....
Chicago pc	41	18	.01
Cincinnati pc	49	23	....
Cleveland cy	45	30	....
Columbus Ohio pc	46	24	....
Dallas cy	51	41	....
Denver pc	35	23	.11
Des Moines sy	34	18	.31
Detroit cy	43	24	.02
Duluth sy	32	21	....
El Paso cy	56	36	....
Evansville pc	48	26	....
Fargo sy	43	20	....
Hartford pc	52	30	.02
Honolulu sy	88	74	....
Houston r	64	46	....
Indianapolis pc	46	23	....
Jackson Miss. pc	64	41	....
Jacksonville sy	78	49	....
Kansas City sy	41	26	....
Las Vegas w	61	37	....

Little Rock cy	53	35	....
Los Angeles f	78	52	....
Louisville cy	53	27	....
Memphis pc	59	36	....
Miami Beach sy	87	68	....
Milwaukee sy	39	22	.02
Minneapolis sy	37	21	....
Nashville pc	57	33	....
New Orleans pc	68	50	....
New York pc	56	40	....
Oklahoma City w	41	30	....
Omaha sy	36	15	.21
Orlando pc	84	63	....
Philadelphia sy	55	35	....
Phoenix cy	68	50	....
Pittsburgh pc	47	29	....
Portland Me. pc	46	29	1.75
Portland Ore. r	55	45	.04
Providence sy	53	34	.01
Richmond sy	65	34	....
St. Louis pc	45	30	....
Salt Lake City f	43	24	....
San Antonio r	64	41	....
San Diego f	75	57	....
San Francisco sy	71	49	....
San Juan pc	91	74	....
Seattle r	54	43	.05
Spokane cy	41	33	....
Tampa pc	83	60	....
Washington sy	59	40	....
Wichita sy	41	27	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90311u1161 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (NOV. 7) UPI - California voters elected Republican Pete Wilson as governor over Democrat Dianne Feinstein, but they also voted to remove him in eight years.

Voters also rejected the sweeping environmental protection measure known as Big Green by a wide margin and approved measures to ''throw the rascals out'' by limiting their terms in office.

With 98 percent of the state's 26,060 precincts counted early Wednesday, Wilson led Feinstein 48.6 percent to 46.5 - a margin of fewer than 145,000 votes out of more than 6 million cast. Wilson collected 3, 231,951 to Feinstein's 3,376,404.

Proposition 128, the so-called Big Green initiative that would have banned cancer-causing pesticides and offshore oil drilling, restrict emissions, protect ancient redwood forests from logging and create the elected post of state environmental advocate, lost 63-37 percent with 98 percent of the precincts counted.

Voters narrowly approved a proposal to limit politicians' terms in office and slash legislative spending, but soundly defeated a rival term limit plan that would have set up a system of taxpayer-funded campaigns.

Voters passed Proposition 140 - which limits statewide elected officials and state senators to two terms - by 52-48 percent with 98 percent of the precincts reporting. They defeated a milder term limit measure, Proposition 131, by 62-38 percent.

With about 20 percent of all voters casting their ballots by mail, the outcome of some races - especially close ones - may not be known for days because of the unusually high number of absentee ballots, election officials warned.

Turnout was low Tuesday and the Secretary of State's office predicted only 62.1 percent of California's 13.5 million registered voters cast ballots, the second-lowest since World War II.

The first general election of the 1990s presented voters with a mind- boggling 28 ballot measures that included proposals ranging from increasing the sales and liquor tax, enacting sweeping environmental reforms, limiting officeholders' terms and banning certain types of fishing nets.

The two gubernatorial candidates raised an unprecedented $37 million in their efforts to win over voters and become California's 36th governor.

The victor, as the leader of the nation's most populous state, will immediately be vaulted into the ranks of potential presidential candidates, and will influence the process of drawing new congressional district lines for California's half-dozen or so new seats in the House of Representatives.

In other areas, voters were asked to chose the state's first elected insurance commissioner in a race that grew out of the landmark insurance reform measure adopted in 1988. With 98 percent of the votes tabulated, Democratic state Sen. John Garamendi was declared the winner over Republican Wes Bannister, an Orange County insurance agent, by a margin of 53-37 percent.

California's environment and how it should be protected loomed as the largest single issue facing voters. A number of ballot measures in addition to Proposition 128 would have given voters unprecedented power to regulate pollution, pesticide usage, the logging industry and commercial fishing. They were all defeated.

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#90311u1172 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 7) UPI - .Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev broke precedent today by leading the Revolution Day parade across Red Square in Moscow. Gorbachev stood in the traditional spot atop Lenin's mausoleum for his speech. Later, he climbed down from the mausoleum and marched at the front of a row of Communist Party activists. Police in the Ukrainian capital of Kiev fought with students who tried to block tanks in another military parade. Several activists were injured.

NON-aligned countries in the U-N Security Council have called for a U-N peace force made up of Arab soldiers in the Persian Gulf region. Malaysia, Yemen, Cuba and Colombia said their objective is to get Iraq to comply with resolutions that it withdraw its troops from Kuwait. The nations urged quick action to avoid a possible war between Iraq and the U-S-led force in the region.

New York City investigators believe El-Sayyid Nosair acted on his own in killing Rabbi Meir Kahane, the militant founder of the Jewish Defense League. Police searched Nosair's house in New Jersey and seized some personal papers. They did NOT reveal the contents. Police believe the suspect was NOT connected with any groups.

The 81-year-old executor of the Jack Ruby estate, Jules Mayer, was removed yesterday by a probate jury in Dallas. The jury accused Mayer of ''gross mismanagement'' and ''negligence.'' Mayer said he will appeal. Ruby was the killer of Lee Harvey Oswald, President Kennedy's assassin. The court has been holding a hearing to determine who has the right to sell Ruby's possessions. The gun he used to kill Oswald has been estimated to bring 100-thousand dollars.

Black religious leaders called a boycott of Miami schools yesterday to protest the choice of a superintendent by the Dade County School Board. The board turned down a black with 30 years experience in favor of a Cuban with only seven. 70 percent of the county's bus drivers stayed home. Administrators used the few drivers working to transport young children and let high school students get to school on their own.

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#90311u1186 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Nov. 6: Purchases of 335, 684 shares and sales of 501,434 shares including 22,554 shares sold short.

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#90311u1196 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, AK (NOV. 7) UPI - Independent Wally Hickel, riding a wave of conservative support, declared himself Alaska's new governor Wednesday, beating a Democrat and a Republican supported by President Bush.

Hickel, 71, a former Republican governor of Alaska and Interior Secretary under President Nixon, collected 63,558 votes, 38.5 percent, as candidate of the Alaskan Independence Party.

''If there ever was a populist election, this is it,'' Hickel told cheering supporters early Wednesday.

Hickel ran a pro-development, can-do campaign that promised jobs and economic development, and he picked up solid support from the anti- abortion movement, the GOP right wing and the Moral Majority.

Democrat Tony Knowles, a former two-term mayor of Anchorage, and his Eskimo running mate, Willie Hensley, came in second with 50,775 votes, 30.7 percent.

Republican state Sen. Arliss Sturgulewski - endorsed by President Bush, the state's all-Republican Congressional delegation and party regulars - sought to become the first woman to govern Alaska but mustered only 44,156 votes, 26.7 percent.

Green Party candidate Jim Sykes picked up 5,418 votes, 3.2 percent - just above the 3 percent required to make his environmentalist party an official state party automatically qualifying for future ballots.

Although Alaska elected a developer as its new governor, it also became the first state to formally recognize the Green Party as a legitimate party with a

guaranteed spot on the ballot.

Voter turnout was 60 percent, despite severe winter weather in some locations. With 95 percent of the vote counted, the results were unlikely to change, but Knowles and Hensley were still hoping for votes from remote native villages where they are strong.

''Why don't we call it a win,'' Hickel said at 2 a.m. Wednesday. ''They can't catch us.''

The Alaskan Independence Party already was a recognized third party in Alaska but, with its call for independence and separation from the United States, it never won much support.

Hickel rejected any talk of secession and used the Alaskan Independence Party as a vehicle for a conservative ticket, which stressed wresting control of Alaska from federal domination.

''It's going to be a unique country, this Alaska,'' Hickel said. ''We're bringing the decision-making process back to Alaska. We think we can do as good a job as the federal government. I think you'll see a change.''

Hickel jumped into the race late, Sept. 19, at the urging of arch-conservatives unhappy with Sturgulewski's moderate positions. Sturgulewski's ultra-conservative running mate, Jack Coghill, quit the GOP ticket and helped recruit Hickel for an independent bid while Sturgulewski scrambled for a replacement at the last minute.

But Hickel, who won the governship in 1966 and tried unsuccessfully to win it back several times, said the thing that pushed him into the race was an attempt by White House Chief of Staff John Sununu to talk him out of running.

Hickel said Sununu threatened his pet project - a proposed $11 billion trans-Alaska natural gas pipeline. So Hickel resigned as chairman of Yukon Pacific Corp., the company seeking to build the pipeline, in order to run.

Hickel said Sununu tried to dissuade him from running, saying it would divide Republicans and be fatal to the GOP ticket, handing victory to the Democrats. Hickel did split the GOP and his candidacy was fatal to Sturgulewski's hopes. But it was the moderates and liberals who split 57.4 percent of the vote while conservatives united behind Hickel.

President Bush held a fundraiser for Sturgulewski and pushed her candidacy in the state. But the state GOP chairman and other Alaska Republicans rallied behind Hickel.

Hickel won by ''bashing the federal government and saying he's going to do this and do that right away by executive order,'' said former Democratic Gov.

Bill Sheffield. ''It's nonsense, but it sells good. And he picked up the Moral Majority and pro-life people who had nowhere to go.''

Abortion became an issue because Knowles and Sturgulewski supported women's abortion rights and both sought the women's vote. Hickel said he would outlaw abortion.

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#90311u1207 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 7) UPI - Philippine Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos Wednesday ordered the military to negotiate the release of an American reportedly kidnapped by communist guerrillas in the northern province of Cagayan.

Ramos told reporters he had directed armed forces chief Gen. Renato de Villa to enlist the help of local officials in attempting to negotiate the release of Arvy Duane Drown, who was reported kidnapped by rebels on Oct. 19.

U.S. embassy officials said they were working closely with Philippine police to determine the whereabouts of Drown and secure his safe release. They declined to disclose further details.

The Philippine military said Drown, described as a missionary and ex- Marine who holds a U.S. passport issued in Seattle, Wash., was abducted in Aparri town, Cagayan province, 260 miles north of Manila, by guerrillas of the communist New Peoples Army.

Philippine army Col. Miguel Fontanilla said the kidnapping took place after guerrillas ambushed two army teams. The rebels, he said, apparently seized the American as hostage in the face of troop reinforcements.

Kidnapped with Drown were a Philippine soldier, a woman and the driver of a jeep in which they were riding.

The 19,000-member NPA has been battling the Manila government for 21 years.

''We're trying to determine his whereabouts and if the reports are true about the kidnapping to try and seek his safe release,'' U.S. Embassy spokesman Hugh Hara said.

Hara said no one has claimed responsibility for the kidnapping.

It was not immediately known if the abduction was related to the talks on the future of six U.S. military facilities in the Philippines. U.S. basing rights expire next year.

The NPA has warned it would attack Americans unless Washington withdraws from

the Philippines.

Travel for 40,000 Americans at the bases has been restricted since Saturday as a precaution during the talks on the bases scheduled to resume Thursday.

On June 13, guerrillas kidnapped U.S. Peace Corps volunteer Timothy Swanson in the central island of Negros and released him unharmed after 50 days in captivity.

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#90311u1208 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

CHAMPAIGN, IL (NOV. 7) UPI - The NCAA will place the University of Illinois basketball program on probation for three years and ban the team from postseason play for one year, the Chicago Sun-Times and Chicago Tribune reported Wednesday.

The NCAA scheduled a news conference later in the day at its headquarters in Overland Park, Kan., to announce penalties stemming from its 17-month investigation into alleged recruiting violations by the Illini.

School officials received the news Tuesday night, the papers said, and were to meet with reporters after the NCAA announcement.

Among the other major sanctions will be a one-year ban on off-campus recruiting with lesser restrictions the following year and a two-year limit on scholarships, calling for only two in the first two seasons of the probation.

The ban on off-campus recruiting means a student athlete wanting to visit the university must pay his own way during the first year of probation, and recruiting must be accomplished through telephone calls and letters.

However, the verdict does not include a ban on television appearances by the Illini, and the school will not have to return the $250,000 it received for its first-round appearance in the NCAA tournament this year.

Reports indicate Illinois will not fight the sanctions because the school was not found guilty of the most serious charges. One involved allegations that assistant coach Jimmy Collins offered cars and cash in recruiting Deon Thomas and LaPhonso Ellis. Thomas is a sophomore at Illinois while Ellis is enrolled at Notre Dame.

The investigation was triggered by Iowa assistant coach Bruce Pearl, who said he taped a phone conversation between himself and Thomas during which Thomas allegedly acknowledged an improper Illinois offer of $80, 000 and a Chevrolet Blazer.

Thomas apparently will not be forced to resign.

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#90311u1214 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 7) UPI - Cecil Fielder, a former star player in Japan and now with the Detroit Tigers, blasted a game-tying three-run homer Wednesday to highlight the U.S. All-Stars' eight-run barrage in the last two innings, pacing the major leaguers to a 10-5 victory over a Japanese team.

It was the first win for the U.S. team after four losses in the eight-game Super Major Series.

Hiromichi Ochiai and Katsumi Hitosawa ripped a pair of homers off Randy Johnson of the Mariners to give Japan a 4-1 lead.

Trailing 5-2 in the eighth, the U.S. major leaguers scored five runs, with Fielder delivering three of them, to take a 7-5 lead. Jesse Barfield of the New York Yankees smashed his second home run of the tour for two more runs.

In the ninth, Ken Griffey Jr. and Barry Bonds cracked a pair of homers to drive in three runs to widen the lead to 10-5.

Rob Dibble of the Cincinnati Reds pitched two innings to gain the win while Japan's reliever Shinji Imanaka took the loss.

The seventh game of the U.S.-Japan tour will be held at Chiba Marina Stadium, Chiba, east of Tokyo, Thursday.

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#90311u1225 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

ANKARA, TURKEY (NOV. 7) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker reiterated Wednesday the use of military force could not be ruled out in the Gulf and there could not be a partial solution to the crisis caused by the Iraqi takeover of Kuwait.

Baker was speaking to reporters at Ankara's Esenboga airport after holding discussions with Turkish President Turgut Ozal on the Gulf crisis. He left for Moscow shortly afterward on the fifth leg of his tour of Middle Eastern and European countries.

''Obviously, we would all like to see a peaceful, diplomatic and political solution to this problem,'' the secretary said. ''At the same time ... we cannot rule out the possible use of force.''

On his meeting with Ozal and other Turkish leaders, Baker said: ''We talked about the importance of insisting that there not be a partial solution to this problem.''

Ozal and Prime Minister Yildirim Akbulut ''were both very supportive of the full implementation of the U.N. Security Council resolutions,'' Baker said. ''It is our view ... that the credibility of the U.N. is at stake.

''This, after all, is the first real crisis of the post-Cold War era and its very important that when the U.N. takes an action, that is, passes a resolution, those resolutions and actons be implemented. This was the purpose of our conversations.''

The secretary, who arrived in Ankara late Tuesday, rested overnight before beginning his contacts with Turkish leaders. Besides Ozal and Akbulut, he also met Foreign Minister Ahmet Kurtcebe Alptemocin.

His discussions with Ozal lasted two hours, officials said. The talks were held amid signs that the patience of the Turks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was wearing thin.

A Foreign Ministry official said that although Ankara's stance was that it does not wish to get embroiled in an all-out war with Iraq, public opinion in Turkey has undergone a dramatic change since Baker's last visit in early August, when the crisis began.

Turkish newspapers have expressed the view that Turkey does not wish to live side by side with a dictator like Saddam, saying he does not hestitate to use chemical weapons when it pleases him.

The Turks were uneasy about the use of chemical weapons against Iraqi Kurds near Turkey's southeastern borders during the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war.

There was no immediate confirmation of speculation that Baker sought permission from Ankara for U.S. forces to use the Incirlik air base in the southeast of the country for operations against Iraq if war broke out in the region.

In his tour, aimed at drumming up support for the military option against Iraq Baker visited Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and Egypt before flying to Turkey.

In Cairo, he also met Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, who was on a visit to Egypt at the same time. Baker denied he gave an ultimatum to Saddam through the Chinese minister to pull his forces out of Kuwait in two weeks.

Besides the Soviet Union, Baker is scheduled to visit Britain and France.

Ozal is scheduled to visit Iran Friday, en route to Tokyo, and will hold discussions with President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani.

Officials said Ozal would not be carrying any messages from Washington to

Tehran, but would offer reasurances to the Iranians on the role of U.S. forces in the region.

Rafsanjani, who said last week that war appeared to be imminent in the Gulf, earlier expressed the view that the United States may use the Gulf crisis as an excuse to establish long-term bases in the region.

Official statements after Baker's talks in the Saudi Arabia, where Cairo officials say 20,000 Egyptian troops are stationed on the front line ahead of U.S. and other Western troops, did not mention a timetable for a military strike against Baghdad.

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#90311u1227 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA (NOV. 7) UPI - The Navy Wednesday investigated the crash of an A-6E Intruder that went down in the Atlantic, narrowly missing an oceanfront hotel after the pilot and bombardier ejected.

The aircraft, which had just taken off from the Oceana Naval Air Station, narrowly missed the Station One Hotel Tuesday before going into the ocean about a quarter-mile from the beachfront.

The pilot, whose identity was not revealed, was taken to Virginia Beach General Hospital for observation and released within an hour.

The bombardier-navigator was taken to the Naval Air Station Oceana Branch Clinic for treatment of minor cuts and was released.

Virginia Beach Police reported one incident of minor property damage caused by falling debris from the jet.

Witnesses told the Virginian-Pilot they heard an explosion shortly after the $33 million jet took off.

''It was flaming fully,'' said Greg White, 19, a Tidewater Community College student. ''We didn't know what had happened.''

White and a friend, Ron Welch, 19, were working on a car when the jet blasted overhead. They were on the scene where the crew parachuted to safety - two blocks from the oceanfront - before officials arrived.

''We talked to the one pilot,'' Welch said. ''We asked what happened, he said, 'All of a sudden, BOOM, and it caught on fire.' We could see cuts on his neck and on his wrist.''

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#90311u1235 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

GENEVA (NOV. 7) UPI - Governments at a world climate conference recognized Wednesday the dangers of steady global warming but put off possible concrete international action until another meeting in 1992.

A declaration ending the 10-day conference of 105 nations ackowledged warnings by scientists that emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases must be reduced to prevent oceans rising and deserts spreading.

It confirmed that negotiations on international measures would begin in Washington next Feb. 4.

Binding commitments at another full conference in Brazil in 1992, however, were described only as ''highly desirable.''

''We recognize that it is highly desirable that an effective framework convention on climate change, containing appropriate commitments and any related instruments as might be agreed upon on the basis of consensus, be signed in Rio de Janeiro during the United Nations Conference on Environment and development,'' the declaration said.

All the same, west European countries, Australia, Canada, Japan and New Zealand did undertake at Geneva to stabilize emission of carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide and sulfur dioxide ''by the year 2000 in general at 1990 levels.''

Scientific reports presented to government delegates warned that the Earth will at current atmospheric warming rates be hotter next century than at any time in the past 100,000 years.

The scientists predicted a one degree celsius warming by 2025 and three degrees by the end of next century without emission reductions of as much as 60 percent.

The U.N.'s World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and Environment Program (UNEP) warned that oceans could rise by 2.5 inches a year, causing catastrophic flooding.

The Geneva political declaration said there is still uncertainty about the rate and effects of greenhouse gas emissions although ''the potential impact could pose an environmental threat of an up to now unknown magnitude.''

''Where there are threats of serious or irreversible damage, lack of full scientific certainty should not be used as a reason for postponing cost-effective measures to prevent such environmental degradation,'' it said.

The statement said ''response strategies'' should include sustainable forest management and reforestation, contingency plans to protect low- lying coastal

regions, and lower or even no emissions of greenhouse gases.

The scientific reports called specifically for urgent development of solar, wind and thermal energy.

British prime minister Margaret Thatcher in an speech on Tuesday also said there was a need for continued use of nuclear energy for electric power but that alternative source was not mentioned in the declaration.

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#90311u1252 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 7) UPI - The United States announced Wednesday it would withdraw all of its fighter aircraft from the Philippines next year when its basing rights in the country expires.

Special U.S. negotiator Richard Armitage made the announcement during a private meeting with Philippine Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus on the eve of the second round of talks on the future of six U.S. facilities in the country, a U.S. statement said.

Manglapus told reporters late Wednesday the American decision to withdraw was ''a partial victory.''

''Now the United States position coincides with the Philippine position,'' he said.

The 1947 lease on the sprawling Clark Air Base, Subic Bay Naval Station and four smaller facilities expires on Sept. 16, 1991. Clark and Subic are the oldest and largest U.S. facilities overseas and are manned by some 14,500 troops.

Armitage arrived earlier Wednesday for the two days of talks scheduled to begin Thursday. He immediately went to the meeting with Manglapus.

The statement said Armitage informed Manglapus Washington has decided not to station F-15-E aircraft at Clark beginning in 1991 as originally planned to replace the aging F-4-E fighters.

It said the F-15-E would instead be based in Elmendorf Air Base in Alaska.

Manglapus also was informed the 3rd Tactical Fighter Wing currently based at Clark will be removed.

''As previously announced in April 1990, the 90th Tactical Fighter Squadron's F-4-G will be removed from the Philippines in May 1991. The wing's second squadron consisting of F-4-E aircraft was to have been replaced by the F-15-Es. This unit (the 3rd Tactical Fighter Squadron) will indeed be removed

by Sept. 1991, but not replaced.

''The net effect of this decision is that at some point in 1991, the U.S. will have no fighter aircraft permanently based in the Philippines and that more than 1,800 military personnel will have departed,'' the statement said.

It said the decision to withdraw was made in Washington and was influenced by the Philippines' ''publicly expressed position that the fighters should be removed by 1991.''

''The decision was based on assessment of where best to allocate highly valuable resources to maintain our long-term commitment in the region,'' the statement said.

It said the United States was notifying allies in the region of the decision which it stressed ''in no way diminishes our commitment or ability to meet our responsibilities in the Pacific.''

In addition to the two fighter squadrons, the United States maintains the Military Airlift Command at Clark, which employs huge transport planes.

U.S. officials have expressed interest in retaining the airlift command terminal at Clark, but the decision to withdraw the attack jets was certain to come as a surprise to the Philippine panel whose members were not immediately available for comment.

During talks in September, Armitage indicated Washington wanted a phase down of the six facilities in 10 to 12 years and a limited military presence after that.

The Philippines, on the other hand, served notice it would take over Clark and four smaller facilities upon the expiration of the bases pact. However, the Philippines said it would consider a phase down of Subic, a repair and logistics center for the U.S. 7th Fleet.

Washington provides the Philippines $481 million annually for the bases, which Filipino nationalists regard as an infringement of national sovereignty.

The United States said it still was interested in ''reinvigorating'' ties with the Philippines and expressed hopes the decision to withdraw the aircraft from Clark would lead to a successful conclusion of a new relationship with its former colony.

''The American offer of partnership in the process of transforming military facilities by phasing down the U.S. presence while phasing in joint use, commercialization and new economic enterprises, remains on the table,'' the statement said.

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#90311u1263 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
PANAMA CITY, PANAMA (NOV. 7) UPI - The U.S. military took control of Panama within a few hours last December, but the conflict over how the invasion should be remembered may last for years.

Invasion critics want Dec. 20, the one-year anniversary of the attack, to be declared a national day of mourning. Others say they were liberated when 25,000 U.S. troops overthrew military ruler Gen. Manuel Noriega and installed President Guillermo Endara.

Last week, the National Assembly rejected a bill to name Dec. 20 a day of mourning.

Some observers say such a bill would be an embarassment for a government installed during the fighting, but legislators said it was killed because most Panamanians support the invasion.

''In order not to favor either side, we have not taken any action,'' said Fernando Escobar, a Christian Democrat legislator. ''To decree a national day of mourning would contradict the huge majority who feel they have a right to celebrate a day of liberation.''

But opposition lawmaker Mario Rognoni said Panamanians are disappointed with Endara and will be in no mood to party Dec. 20.

During his first weeks in office, Endara waded into huge, adoring crowds to kiss babies and hug supporters. Now, however, he is criticized for everything from government cronyism to the clothes worn by his fashion-conscious wife.

Protestors clog Panama City streets every month to demand jobs while police officers were recently arrested and charged with plotting against Endara.

The economy is recovering slowly from the invasion damage and two years of U.S. economic sanctions. Most of a $420 million U.S. aid package has not yet arrived.

''With the results we have had after the invasion, I don't think anyone will celebrate,'' Rognoni said.

Opposition groups have planned a protest march for Dec. 20 which could turn into the largest anti-government demonstration since the invasion, said Isabel Corro, who heads a group of war widows.

In the schools, teachers interpret the invasion as they see fit. Most, however refer to Dec. 20 as the day democracy returned to Panama, said Laurentino Gudino, vice minister of education.

Gudino said the invasion will probably be chronicled in next year's public school textbooks, which must be approved by the Education Ministry and by Endara's cabinet.

Those hardest hit by the invasion continue to weigh its merits. Thousands of Panamanians lost homes when the El Chorrillo ghetto burned down during the U.S. attack on Noriega's headquarters.

''It (Dec. 20) has to be considered a day of mourning because so many innocent people died,'' said Antonio de Lefante, who lives in a hangar at Albrook air field, which has been converted into a refugee camp.

Human rights groups say between 500 and 700 Panamanians were killed in the invasion. Some Panamanians claim thousands died.

Most of the 16,000 people who lost their homes have been relocated. The U.S. government provides about $7,300 for families to buy new homes but has refused to compensate those who were injured or lost family members. The invasion caused more than $1 billion in damages, according to most estimates.

Ashton Bancroft, who helps run the Albrook camp, complained that the government closed down for a day to honor a former president - declaring a national day of mourning when former President Marco Aurelio Robles died in Miami earlier this year - yet it appears content to ignore victims of the most violent day in Panamanian history.

Although legislators have been unable to arrive at a consensus on how to mark the invasion anniversary, Escobar said Endara could take action on his own. A spokesman for Endara said the government was busy with other issues and has made no plans for Dec. 20.

Bill Ormsbee of the U.S. Southern Command said the U.S. military has no plans to mark the invasion anniversary.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - .The Soviet Union celebrated its traditional Revolution Day- the anniversary of the 1917 Communist anniversary- but sometimes in NON-traditional ways. In Kiev, students tried to block tanks in the military parade. Police clashed with them and injured several. Parades in some localities were canceled. Two non-Communists- Boris Yeltsin and Moscow Mayor Gavriil Popov- joined President Mikhail Gorbachev in reviewing the Moscow parade.

A fire fanned by 50-mile-an-hour winds spread through Universal Studios in Los Angeles last night. Damage was estimated in the Millions of dollars. Major

attractions at Universal's amusement park were heavily damaged. However, the studio's priceless film archives were saved. The blaze could be seen for miles. Roadblocks around the fire delayed Republicans going to an election night celebration at the Universal Hilton.

The Washington Post reports that William Bennett is resigning as head of the federal government's war on drugs. He is leaving at a time when cocaine is becoming more scarce and expensive. But violence connected with drug use and trafficking is increasing. Bennett was secretary of education before becoming chief federal drug enforcer. The newspaper quotes officials as saying he has no other job lined up.

Record cold hit the Plains states this morning. The Norfolk, Nebraska, temperature fell to seven degrees. Scottsbluff, Nebraska, was three. Casper, Wyoming, tied a record with five degrees. A cold front is moving east and caused frost in nearly all of Kentucky. High winds hit along the Pacific coast and in New England.

Iran's news agency says at least 21 people have been killed in an earthquake during the night in southern Iran. Thousands of people were left homeless. The earthquake shook a sparsely populated area of the Zagros mountains. A spokesman for an Iranian group in Washington says the quake struck late at night when most people were at home. He said most homes in the area are clay and NOT resistant to earthquakes.

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BEIRUT, LEBANON (NOV. 7) UPI - The government of Lebanese President Elias Hrawi moved Wednesday to establish a militia-free unified Beirut starting Saturday and to build a presidential headquarters on the ruins of the capital's hippodrome.

''The plan to establish a free-militia unified Beirut will be initiated no later than Nov. 10 and completed by midnight Nov. 19,'' said an official statement following a cabinet meeting.

The statement failed to set the boundaries of what it called ''Greater Beirut '' but Hrawi said Tuesday it will include the capital and a 9-to-16 mile semi-circular area stretching to the Damour village in the south and the Kalb (Dog) River in the north.

The plan aims at deploying Lebanese troops in ''Greater Beirut'' after the withdrawal of all militiamen to areas outside it.

All militias, including the pro-Iranian Hezbollah, or Party of God, and the Christian Lebanese Forces of Samir Geagea, had agreed to pull out from the capital.

Hrawi said the next step would be forming a government of national unity that would include militia leaders as ministers without portfolios.

The president pledged that all militias will disband by March 21, 1991.

The three steps were part of an internationally backed peace agreement endorsed by Lebanese lawmakers in Taif, Saudi Arabia, in October 1989.

The government also decided Wednesday to build presidential headquarters and another to house the cabinet on the ruins of Beirut's once-famous hippodrome that is located on the ''Green Line'' and had served as a crossing point between Christian east and Moslem west Beirut over 15 years of civil war.

The devastated sandy yard remained until 1975 the favorite gathering place of thousands of horse race followers, among them a number of politicians.

Since he was elected president last November, Hrawi has been running the nation from temporary headquarters in Syrian-policed West Beirut in anticipation of the ouster of Christian rebel Gen. Michel Aoun from the Presidential Palace of Baabda in the eastern part of the capital.

Aoun was driven out of the badly damaged Baabda Palace by a joint Syrian-Lebanese force Oct. 13. Last week, presidential spokeswoman May Kahale led reporters in a tour at the palace and said it needed $4 million and at least two months before it can be partly restored and used.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Applied Power (4th Q 8-31)	
$111,069,000	$84,324,000
$5,039,000 (.38)	$4,602,000 (.35)
Cincinnati Milacron (3rd Q 10-6)	
$233,959,000	$227,717,000
$1,544,000 (.06)	$2,527,000 (.10)
Continental Air Hldg (3rd Q 9-30)	
$2,310,000,000	$1,675,100,000
d-$88,300,000	d-$158,000,000

d-Deficit

Continental Corp (3rd Q 9-30)

$53,300,000 $27,700,000
$54,200,000 (.97) $54,100,000 (.54)

Eastern Utils Assoc (3rd Q 9-30)
$115,956,000 $101,038,000
$6,393,000 (.40) $10,240,000 (.75)

Equitable Resources (3rd Q 9-30)
$107,165,000 $72,899,000
d-$1,692,000 d-$2,366,000
d-Deficit

Gitano Group (3rd Q 9-30)
$239,489,000 $178,615,000
$6,262,000 (.40) $8,603,000 (.62)

Hadson Energy Res (3rd Q 9-30)
$13,111,000 $5,505,000
$3,538,000 (.58) d-$195,000
d-Deficit

LAC Minerals (3rd Q 9-30)
a-$114,900,000 $39,700,000
$7,200,000 (.06) $9,700,000 (.10)
a-Reflects the consolidation of Bond International Gold Inc.

NS Group Inc (4th Q 9-29)
$66,831,000 $58,192,000
$3,387,000 (.25) $3,405,000 (.25)

Standard Commercial (2nd Q 9-30)
$260,528,000 $201,618,000
$3,628,000 (.44) d-$5,506,000
d-Deficit

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $384.30 silver base of $4.23 and platinum price of $421.70:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$400.10	396.00
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	205.30	203.20
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.40	104.30
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.50	43.10
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	400.10	396.00

Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	205.30	203.20
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.90	104.80
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.50	43.10
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	406.60	402.30
China Panda .50 troy oz.	209.50	207.00
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.60	107.50
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.90	46.40
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.00	27.70
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	400.20	396.10
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	204.50	202.40
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.30	102.30
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.50	44.00
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	398.70	394.00
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	206.40	204.20
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.90	104.80
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	44.60
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	398.60	393.90
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	205.00	202.50
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.90	86.90
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.50	45.00
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.20	24.00
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.63	$5.62
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,220	$3,210
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,375	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	439.00	441.00
Isle of Man Noble	436.00	438.00
Canada Maple Leaf	447.00	449.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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DAMASCUS, SYRIA (NOV. 7) UPI - A senior U.S. official arrived unexpectedly in Damascus Wednesday to brief Syrian leaders on Secretary of State James Baker's current Mideast-European tour.

The official, Assistant Secretary of State for Middle East and South Asian affairs John Kelly, met with Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk Sharaa.

They iscussed the latest developments in the Gulf crisis, including Baker's talks with the leaders of Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia and Egypt.

''During the meeting, future steps on implementing U.N. Security Council resolutions calling for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait were discussed,'' a Syrian government source said.

''Joint efforts to exercise further pressure on Iraq should be continued to avert a military confrontation that could be a catasrophe for the entire region.''

Syria, Egypt and Morocco are the only Arab countries to have sent troops to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates to deter Iraqi aggression.

Earlier this week Syria, sent more armored formations to Saudi Arabia. Syrian President Hafez Assad has promised to send 20,000 Syrian troops to Saudi Arabia.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 79.00-81.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 123.00-129.25 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 40.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $210.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$109.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $421.00-$459.00; dealer- approx.,

$425.60-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $109.00-$111.83 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 296.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - .Attorney General Dick Thornburgh says the Justice Department has prosecuted more than 500 figures in the S-and-L scandal in the past two years. He says the department obtained 328 indictments charging 519 people. 355 have been convicted. They have been ordered to pay 211- Million dollars in restitution. But a United Press International survey of the cases shows that some involved relatively small offenses.

Police are waiting for the suspected assassin of Rabbi Meir Kahane to recover in Manhattan's Bellevue Hospital. El-Sayyid Nosair was shot in the jaw when he was captured Monday. Police believe the Egyptian native was NOT part of a conspiracy when he gunned down Kahane. Police searched his home last night and seized some papers. They did NOT reveal the contents.

Kuwait's exiled premier is calling for a military strike by the United States against Iraq. Premier Sheikh Saad said- ''The only option available now is the military one.'' His remarks confirm that the exiled Kuwaiti leaders are losing patience with the U-N sanctions and other peaceful methods. The four NON-aligned nations in the U-N Security Council have called for an Arab U-N force to enforce U- N sanctions.

Researchers in Singapore are using acupuncture without needles to help smokers cut down their puffing. They report an 80 percent success rate. The researchers use a device caled Likon which combines acupuncture with modulation electrotherapy. The device uses a 12-volt battery. It has been approved for use in the United States and is for sale in several other nations.

Japanese lawmakers have decided one thing they can do about overcrowding in Tokyo is to leave. Both houses of the Diet, Japan's parliament, adopted a NON-binding resolution today saying they want to move out of the capital. NO decision is expected for a number of years. The resolution did NOT stipulate a

deadline or specify where the parliament should go.

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#90311u1370 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - John F. Kennedy Jr. is very happy that folks will stop calling him ''the hunk that flunked.''

The handsome Kennedy learned during the weekend that he passed the New York Bar examination after failing it the first two times.

''I got the word. I'm very relieved,'' Kennedy, 29, said Wednesday, managing a grin at a crowd of reporters and photographers waiting for him as he arrived for work in at the Manhattan district attorney's office.

If Kennedy had failed the bar exam again, he would have lost his $30,000-a-year job and his chances of passing on the third try were a point of conversation around town for weeks.

Once the state Appellate Division formally admits him to the bar, he will get a $1,000 raise.

The son of the late president and Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis failed in two earlier attempts since graduating in 1989 from New York University Law school. As a newly hired assistant district attorney, he had to pass on his third try.

Kennedy also heard last weekend that he had passed the Connecticut Bar exam.

Kennedy has been assigned to a unit that concentrates on white-collar crime, low-level political corruption and other felonies and was part of a three-member team of prosecutors who investigated illegal wiring of drug money from storefronts to the Dominican Republic.

His cousin, Robert F. Kennedy Jr., failed the bar exam in 1982 and resigned as an assistant district attorney amid charges of drug abuse. He entered a drug treatment program and received a suspenxded sentence and probation, and eventually was admitted to the bar in 1985.

Kennedy's sister, Caroline Kennedy Schlossberg, 32, passed the bar exam on her first try three years ago. She is the mother of two small children and not currently practicing law.

A bachelor, Kennedy leads a relatively quiet life but attracts attention every time he shows up at a fashionable restaurant or nightspot.

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BY JOSEPH MIANOWANY - UPI

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - An angry American electorate, upset with the economy and the direction of the nation, gave Democrats some new hope Tuesday that they can use pocketbook issues to make a reinvigorated run for the White House in 1992.

However, despite voters' obvious indignation, the meaning of their message in the 1990 midterm election was far from crystal clear, allowing Republicans to claim that they had successfully held their own and may have even bolstered President Bush.

Walking into voting booths across the land with promises to ''throw the rascals out,'' the public generally refused to follow through.

As a result, when the 102nd Congress convenes in January, Democrats will hold bulges roughly similar to what they have enjoyed for the past two years. But in state capitals, Democrats scored more significant gubernatorial gains.

In the 100-member Senate, Democrats picked up one seat to hold a new 56-44 edge, while in the House they were on a pace to add to their majority by about a half dozen. They currently dominate the chamber by a 258-175 margin with two vacancies.

In the most closely watched races of the night:

-Sen. Jesse Helms, the arch-conservative Republican from North Carolina, defeated liberal black Democrat Harvey Gantt. ''I'm sorry I'm late,'' Helms told his cheering supporters. ''I've been at home watching the grieving face of Dan Rather. ... The mighty, ultra-liberal establishment has struck out again.''

-In the very bitter and very expensive Texas gubernatorial battle, Democrat Ann Richards won over Republican Clayton Williams.

-Republican Sen. Pete Wilson defeated Democrat Dianne Feinstein, the former mayor of San Francisco, to become California's governor.

-In Minnesota, Democrat Paul David Wellstone beat Republican Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, the only Senate incumbent to lose.

-Former U.S. Sen. Lawton Chiles, a Democrat, ousted Republican Florida Gov. Bob Martinez.

-Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., won a third term, barely edging out Republican Christine Todd Whitman. Bradley, hailed as a potential presidential contender, had far more money than Whitman but was hurt badly by an anti-tax fever sweeping New Jersey.

-Assistant House GOP leader Newt Gingrich of Georgia, a fiery conservative, barely survived a tight fight against Democrat David Worley.

-In Kansas, Democrat Treasurer Joan Finney beat Republican incumbent Gov. Mike Hayden.

-Former Republican Sen. Lowell Weicker won the three-way Connecticut governor's race as an independent.

-Incumbent Democrat Sen. Tom Harkin rather easily defeated Republican Tom Tauke in what had been billed as perhaps the tightest Senate race in the nation.

-In Massachusetts, William Weld defeated Democrat John Silber to become the first Republican elected to the post in 16 years.

Overarching themes were difficult to determine from the results, although combining the vote returns with network exit polling figures provided some insights that bolstered Democrats.

About three-quarters of voters questioned by the networks said they believed the nation was on the wrong track and predicted that the country's economy would only get worse.

About 57 percent of the people said they approved of President Bush and - in a repeat of their usual bizarre pattern - vast majorities disapproved of Congress, while approving of their own representative and senator.

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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (NOV. 7) UPI - Publishing magnate Robert Maxwell's Mirror Group has purchased a 40 percent stake in the former communist party newspaper Esti Hirlap, the official MTI news agency said Wednesday.

The 33-year-old evening newspaper is now the second Hungarian daily partially controlled by Maxwell, who bought 40 percent interest in the Magyar Hirlap earlier this year.

The Esti Hirlap, formerly the mouthpiece of the Budapest branch of the communist Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party, has a circulation of 80,000 and is sold at newsstands in the capital and other large cities.

Besides the Mirror Group, the other partners under the new arrangement are the Hungarian Newspaper Publishing Co., which holds a 40 percent stake, and the newspaper's editorial staff, which control 20 percent, MTI said.

Pending formal government approval of the joint venture, the newspaper is expected to be published in a newly constructed printing shop where the Magyar Hirlap also will be produced, and its format and design will be modernized, the news agency said.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
American Biltrite	Q	.03 3/4	1-11	12-26
DPL Inc	Q	.39	12-1	11-20
Delta Woodside	Q	.07 1/2	12-6	11-28
Goodyear Tire	Q	.45	12-15	11-16
Liberty Corp	Q	.23	1-2	12-15
Marsh Supermarkets	Q	.10	2-4	1-18
St Paul Cos	Q	.60	1-17	12-31

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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LUSAKA, ZAMBIA (NOV. 7) UPI - South African Foreign Minister R.F. ''Pik'' Botha won a round of applause Wednesday from Southern African leaders when he said apartheid has disappeared.

''We in Africa, we ourselves, must now join hands and move together. ... We must turn together, apartheid is gone,'' Botha told representatives of six African nations and the African National Congress at a special meeting to pray for peace, unity and reconciliation in southern Africa.

Organization of African Unity Chairman and Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni led the applause.

''There can be no winner when people die but ... we can all be winners if we talk peace,'' said Botha, invited to the meeting by Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda as a result of President Frederik de Klerk's nine months of sweeping racial reforms.

Kaunda said he called the morning meeting to pray for southern Africa, shaken by apartheid, the civil wars in Angola and Mozambique and widespread economic instability.

Observers saw Museveni's presence as especially significant and indicating an OAU endorsement of de Klerk's reforms. The Ugandan leader said Africans should look to God for guidance.

''Human beings are blind, they don't know what they are doing,'' he said.

Other heads of state present were Mozambique's President Joaquim Chissano and the pro-ANC military ruler of South Africa's nominally independent tribal territory of Transkei, Maj. Gen. Bantu Holomisa.

Countries that sent foreign ministers or ambassadors were Botswana, Lesotho and Zimbabwe. The ANC was represented by International Affairs Secretary Thabo Mbeki.

Kaunda had said the meeting would focus only on ways to peace, but analysts believed the Zambian leader was also seeking credibility among his people as he prepares for an election that will end his 17 years of one-party rule and bring the country democracy.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Nov. 7:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen r	1pm	45	07
Amsterdam cy	1pm	50	10
Ankara pc	3pm	55	13
Athens cy	2pm	-	-
Auckland c	12m	60	15
Beijing cy	8pm	47	08
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	47	08
Bonn cy	1pm	41	05
Brussels c	1pm	50	10
Cairo pc	2pm	85	29
Casablanca cy	12n	78	25
Copenhagen pc	1pm	45	07
Dakar c	12n	84	29
Dublin cy	1pm	50	10
Geneva cy	1pm	40	04
Helsinki r	2pm	37	02
Hong Kong r	8pm	77	25
Jerusalem pc	2pm	79	26
Karachi c	5pm	85	29
Lisbon cy	1pm	64	18
London cy	1pm	47	08
Madrid r	1pm	57	13
Malta pc	1pm	69	20

Manila pc	8pm	79	26
Moscow cy	3pm	33	00
Nairobi cy	3pm	77	25
Nassau pc	7am	78	25
New Delhi c	6pm	80	26
Nice c	1pm	59	15
Oslo pc	1pm	39	04
Paris c	1pm	46	08
Pretoria cy	2pm	64	18
Riyadh	3pm	86	30
Rome c	1pm	54	12
Seoul c	9pm	50	10
Sofia pc	2pm	47	08
Stockholm cy	1pm	45	07
Sydney pc	10pm	69	20
Taipei pc	8pm	77	25
Tokyo hz	9pm	67	19
Tunis cy	1pm	67	19
Vienna cy	1pm	41	05
Warsaw cy	1pm	44	07
Latin America			
Buenos Aires c	9am	60	15
Caracas cy	8am	73	23
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	61	16
Mexico City hz	6am	55	12
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	77	25
Santiago c	8am	58	14
Canada			
Calgary cy		37	02
Edmonton cy		42	05
Montreal		--	-
Ottawa		--	-
Regina		--	-
Toronto r		45	07
Vancouver		--	-
Winnipeg		--	-

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow

w-windy

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#90311u1454 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - The volatile abortion issue, which dominated political debate in the last half of 1989, moved to the back burner in Tuesday's election but was still critical in some of the toughest and closest races.

With a slumping economy dominating the issues, abortion was not the ''silver bullet'' that some candidates thought it would be.

But in the two places where the issue was directly confronted - ballot initiatives in Nevada and Oregon - supporters of legal abortion had the upper hand.

Nevadans voted to retain liberal abortion law. With more than 20 percent of the vote counted, an amendment to put abortion rights protection in the state constitution, was winning by a 60-40 margin and carrying even in the most conservative parts of the state.

In Oregon, a virtual ban on abortion trailed badly in early returns, but the race was much closer on a parental notification measure.

With 35 percent of the precincts reporting, Ballot Measure 8, which would ban abortion except in cases of rape, incest and a threat to the life of the mother, trailed 67 percent to 33 percent. Measure 10, which trailed 52 percent to 48 percent, would require doctors to give 48 hours' notice to the parents of any girl under 18 seeking an abortion.

But both sides could claim some important victories.

The election of Democrat Lawton Chiles in Florida over staunch anti- abortion Republican Gov. Bob Martinez was a major victory for supporters of legal abortion while the re-election of Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., the Senate's most militant abortion opponent was a significant win for the anti-abortion movement.

In Pennsylvania, anti-abortion Democratic Gov. Bob Casey easily won re-election over a woman candidate in favor of abortion rights, but Idaho Gov. Cecil Andrus, a prime target of abortion opponents after he vetoed a tough anti-abortion measure passed by the state legislature, won 62 percent of the vote and sharply beat back an effort to oust him.

In House races, the ouster of Rep. Stan Parris, R-Va., by Alexandria Mayor James Moran, who campaigned heavily on the ''choice'' issue, was called a major victory by abortion rights advocates.

Kate Michelman, executive director of the National Abortion Rights Action League, was especially jubilant about the Martinez defeat in Florida.

Martinez had called a special session of the Florida state legislature almost immediately after the July 3, 1989, Supreme Court ruling giving states wide latitude to restrict abortion and has been a target of supporters of legal abortion.

''Bob Martinez has been the nation's most prominent anti-choice governor, and today he paid the price at the polls,'' Michelman said. ''Bob Martinez was out of touch with his state's pro-choice majority - now he is out of office.''

NARAL invested heavily in the Chiles race - an investment that paid off as Florida political analysts credited the ''choice'' issue with helping Chiles win the election.

But Nancy Myers, spokeswoman for National Right to Life Committee, the nation's major anti-abortion gropup, pronounced herself equally pleased with the election results.

''I think we've learned a couple of lessons from the 1990 election cycle,'' she said.

''One is that it doesn't pay to flip-flop on the abortion issue,'' she added, noting especially the defeat of Democrat Anthony Celebrezze in the Ohio governor's race. ''The second is that Democrats who buck the party platform (which supports legal abortion) can win.'' She specifically cited the victory of Democrat Joan Finney in the Kansas governor's race.

But a sign that the issue is no longer foremost on voters minds was provided by an ABC exit poll. Abortion came in dead last on a list of ''very important'' voting issues, far behind the federal budget, the national economy the Persian Gulf crisis and taxes, and behind the environment and the savings and loan scandal.

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MONTREAL (NOV. 7) UPI - Air Canada, the country's largest airline company, Wednesday reported a 38 percent drop in earnings in the third quarter to $37.4 million, or 50 cents a share, from $60.4 million, or 81 cents a share, a year ago.

Revenues increased to $952 million from $886.6 million in third- quarter 1989.

Earnings for the first nine months stood at $42.5 million, or 57 cents a share down from $77.4 million, or $1.04 a share, in 1989. Revenues increased to

$2.58 billion from $2.38 billion a year earlier.

The third quarter is traditionally the period in which Air Canada makes most of its profits for the year, the company said.

Air Canada Chairman Claude Taylor said higher fuel prices and softening world airline markets will mean the company's 1990 annual results will be below expectations.

''Although we are well positioned in Canada with an approximate 56 percent of market and a basically strong balance sheet, the contribution of airline operations to earnings still needs to be significantly improved,'' Taylor said.

On Oct. 9, Air Canada announced plans to lay off 2,900 employees, cut and postpone several international routes and sell four aircraft.

The 2,900 employees, representing 12.6 percent of the company's 23, 000 work force, will be let go by Jan. 31.

Air Canada will suspend service to Bombay-Singapore, Lisbon-Madrid and Athens and postpone two new 1991 routes to Singapore, including Seoul-Singapore and Frankfurt-Delhi-Singapore.

Air Canada said the cuts will reduce capital requirements in 1991 by $484.5 million and improve operating income by $52.7 million.

The company became a fully publicly traded entity in July 1989 after years as a government-owned corporation.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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#90311u1505 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

DUBLIN, IRELAND (NOV. 7) UPI - Irish voters voted for their seventh president Wednesday, choosing between the first woman candidate for the post and a disgraced former deputy prime minister who was sacked last week for alleged

improper conduct.

About 2.4 million people were eligible to participate during the daylong voting, and officials said a result would be declared Friday.

It was the first presidential election in 17 years. Outgoing President Patrick Hillery was appointed to the office in 1973 and served two uncontested seven-year terms.

The election battle has been heated and dirty because of a controversy that engulfed Brian Lenihan, the former front-runner who had served as deputy prime minister and defense minister until his dismissal last Wednesday.

Opinion polls list him as being 5 points behind Mary Robinson, an independent candidiate nominated by two opposition socialist parties. She has exploited the Lenihan scandal, accusing him of dishonesty.

Prime Minister Charles Haughey was forced to sack Lenihan in order to defeat a motion of confidence against his government by the opposition over the dispute about allegations that Lenihan used unconstitutional means during a political crisis in 1982.

The Democrat Progressive party said it would only give its crucial six-vote backing to Haughey's Fianna Fail party if he sacked Lenihan, who had refused to resign, and the confidence vote passed 83 to 80 with two abstentions.

The controversy was sparked by Lenihan's admission in a taped interview with a political science student that he phoned Hillery in 1982 to persuade him to allow the now-ruling Fianna Fail party to try and form a government on the floor of Parliament. Lenihan denied making the statements.

The coalition Labor-Fine Gael government had collapsed after losing a confidence vote, but Hillery resisted Lenihan's scheme - which was deemed an improper tactic of trying to subvert the head of state - and instead allowed prime minister Garret Fitzgerald to form a new administration.

Although Lenihan was last week sacked from the Cabinet, under Irish law he could not withdraw his candidacy for the presidency.

His campaign had aimed at highlighting his political integrity, but shifted during the past week to try and capitalize on a backwash of sympathy that followed his dismissal.

Analysts believe perceptions of personal integrity will be the deciding issue because the president is an apolitical ceremonial figure, whose only executive task is to dissolve Parliament at the request of a prime minister who has lost a confidence vote, a function Lenihan tried to undermine.

A third candidate, Austin Currie, has trailed substantially behind the other two and tried to mainly campaign on issues linked to the war in Northern Ireland, an issue that was eclipsed by the Lenihan dispute.

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#90311u1508 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 7) UPI - The city is suing seven top manufacturers of lead-based paint in an attempt to recover the cost of ridding city properties of the health threat.

The suit, filed in federal court Monday, names as defendants Atlantic Richfield, Sherwin Williams, Glidden and four other major paint manufacturers.

First Deputy City Solicitor Thomas Wamser said Wednesday that the class-action suit was filed on behalf of the city and its housing authority, as well as on behalf of any other large cities or housing authorities elsewhere in the nation that choose to join in the action.

''We're seeking to make it a nationwide issue,'' Wamser said, once it is certified as a class-action by the court.

A suit filed by New York City seeking recovery of cleanup costs from the seven companies is also pending, while a suit in Massachusetts is seeking to recover damages for children who suffered ill effects after ingesting lead-based paint.

Philadelphia's suit contends the seven companies conspired over the past several decades to rebut or play down evidence that lead pigments are hazardous to human health.

The suit seeks an injunction that would require the manufacturers to cover the cost of lead cleanup projects in public housing and other units owned by the city.

Recently enacted federal regulations require such abatement programs to rid public properties of dangerous levels of lead.

Medical research indicates that lead exposure can poison the liver, kidneys and other organs, and can severely impair a child's intellectual development, a condition that can be permanent. Once thought to be a danger only if swallowed, lead is now known to also enter the human body by being inhaled.

City officials have estimated that 35,000 children in Philadelphia may be at risk of brain or nerve damage from the lead they breathe or swallow.

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#90311u1516 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

CAMP PENDLETON, CA (NOV. 7) UPI - Flames fanned by gale-force winds scorched up to 2,000 acres of grass and brush on the sprawling Camp Pendleton Marine Corps base, shut down train service and 20 miles of freeway, triggered a nuclear plant alert and forced up to 300 evacuations, authorities said Wednesday.

The fire broke out about 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the northern end of the base in northern San Diego County and had consumed between 1,600 and 2, 000 acres by 8 a.m. Wednesday, Marine Cpl. Linda MacTavish said. The cause was not known Wednesday.

Pushing the flames were northeast winds up to 30 mph that occasionally gusted to 50 mph, MacTavish said.

Fire crews from Camp Pendleton, San Diego and Orange Counties and the state and federal Departments of Forestry were fighting the flames.

Heavy smoke forced closure of Interstate 5, the main artery between Los Angeles and San Diego, for about 20 miles from San Clemente to Oceanside and blocked the tracks for the northbound Amtrak train from San Diego to San Clemente and Oceanside, California Highway Patrol Officer Steve Parr said.

Officials would not predict when the freeway would reopen.

The fire was burning on both sides of Interstate 5 in an 8 square- mile area, and firefighters from San Diego and Orange counties were waiting until daylight to begin an aerial attack on the flames, MacTavish said.

Officials at the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station north of Camp Pendleton declared ''an unusual event'' at 12:45 a.m. Wednesday when flames jumped the freeway and came within a quarter-mile of some support buildings at the plant, Southern California Edison spokesman David Barron said.

However, the fire soon veered southeast away from the plant without causing any damage.

About 300 residents of a base trailer park were evacuated Tuesday night, and were allowed to return after the fire passed by.

No structures were threatened in the fire, MacTavish said.

Another fire was sparked about 5:30 p.m. Tuesday by a downed electric power line at the south end of the camp. It was contained at 240 acres.

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#90311u1526 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (NOV. 7) UPI - The head of the secretive black Yahweh religious cult

and several members were arrested early Wednesday and charged with murdering ''white devils'' in order to become members of the brotherhood.

Leader Yahweh Ben Yahweh, also known as Hulon Mitchell Jr., was arrested in New Orleans about 3:30 a.m. under a three-count federal indictment returned in Miami. It charged him and the others with 18 acts of racketeering, including 14 murders, two attempted murders, arson and extortion.

They allegedly plotted ''To murder at random individuals in the community as a rite of initiation into an ultra secret group within the Yahwehs called the 'Brotherhood,''' said U.S. Attorney Dexter Lehtinen.

''One could only be admitted into the Brotherhood after killing a 'white devil' and bringing a severed body part back to Mitchell as proof of a confirmed kill.''

The indictment, returned Tuesday and unsealed early Wednesday, named Yahweh and 16 others. Lehtinen said it was the culmination of four years work by a joint task force.

All of the charges center around the alleged attempts by Mitchell and the other defendants to murder Yahweh followers who dissented from Mitchell's leadership, who violated Mitchell's orders to retaliate against members of the community, or who interfered with the sect's efforts to solicit donations and property.

Mitchell, a former professional football player for the St. Louis Cardinals and Oakland Raiders, claims to be the second coming of Christ. He calls his followers disciples and requires them to turn over all worldy goods to his so-called Temple of Love.

Lawyer Ellis Rubin, who has represented the sect during several past brushes with the law, said the indictment stemmed mainly from information volunteered by Robert Rozier, a former Yahweh member known as Nehriah Israel who confessed to four murders in 1986.

''In exchange for bringing down the organization he was given a 22- year sentence and he has been cooperating with federal authorities ever since,'' Rubin said. ''It makes good reading, but it's not true.''

The FBI and other law enforcement investigators conducted predawn raids at Yahweh headquarters in northwest Miami and more than 12 other places in search of the defendants.

By noon, nine of them had been apprehended, including Linda Gaines, also known as Judith Israel, Mitchell's chief assistant who was arrested in Atlanta.

Other defendants were arrested in Durham, N.C., and Lafayette, La. Rubin said

he had advised them to waive extradition to face the charges in Miami.

The Yahwehs, who wear flowing white robes and take the surname Israel, are a group of black Hebrew Jews who own millions of dollars in real estate and businesses in Dade and Broward counties. Included are a fleet of white vehicles, a convention center, a school, grocery stores, motels and a recording studio.

The Temple of Love in Miami's Liberty City neighborhood is headquarters for the group, which claims to have thousands of members nationwide.

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#90311u1542 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - President Bush and the Republican Party emerged bruised but hardly battered Wednesday from midterm elections that did little to define the political landscape the president may face as a candidate for re-election in 1992.

After weeks of bitter partisan attacks, public outrage over the budget mess and predictions of gloom and doom, the 1990 elections left the GOP only marginally weakened with no sign of any lasting implications for Bush.

Historically, the party in control of the White House has lost ground in off-year elections. At the cost of a single Senate seat and an estimated eight House seats, the White House claimed an above-average showing for the GOP.

And despite major losses in Texas and Florida, the party's success in picking up governorships through the Midwest and Northeast and holding on to ones in California and Illinois enabled the White House to proclaim the election results a wash, the political map relatively unchanged.

''All in all, it looks like a pretty standard off-year election that has something in it for everybody,'' White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters.

Bush could take solace in the fact that the apocalyptic forecasts of some pundits and the worst fears of some party strategists failed to come true. The numbers produced no broad themes or clear trends to suggest what kind of challenge, if any, he may face in 1992.

Overlooked in the raucous days leading up to the election, marked by sometimes shrill attacks by Bush and widespread attention on his drop in the polls, was the fact that races for Congress and governor, traditionally have turned more on localized concerns and even personalities than overarching national issues.

For his part, Bush raised money and generated enthusiasm for Republican candidates, but held limited sway in the outcome of their races. Fitzwater

acknowledged the losses in the House and Senate will make it ''harder to work with the Congress,'' but only nominally more difficult for Bush to wield his veto pen with impunity, as he has 16 times to date.

Overall, he said, Bush will not shy from using his veto power as leverage to get what he wants, confident he will be dealing with ''essentially the same kind of opposition in Congress that he has faced in the first two years.''

Republican strategist Haley Barbour characterized Tuesday as ''a stand-pat election in the Congress'' that should have surprised no one and said nothing about the conditions that will confront Bush in 1992.

At the same time, he saw possible danger signs for Bush in the strong anti-tax sentiment and economic anxiety that seemed to have been directed helter-skelter against incumbents without regard to partisan label.

''There was confusion over who to blame, but there's no question people were looking for somebody to blame,'' Barbour said. ''If Bush hasn't resolved that by 1992, that could become a problem for him.''

Even Fitzwater was forced to take note of the anti-tax undercurrent of the election, if not its potential lesson for Bush. ''Generally speaking,'' he said, ''you don't win points by raising taxes.''

If the election proved a less conclusive test of Bush's strength or weaknesss than Democrats might have hoped, they nevertheless expressed hope of keeping alive the tax fairness issue he handed them weeks ago in their bickering over a budget deal.

With no prominent Democrat yet rushing in as challenger, Democratic National Chairman Ron Brown's description of Bush as ''extraordinarily vulnerable'' seemed premature and not supported by the arithmetic of the election.

Whether that proves to be wishful thinking or a dream come true will depend not on how Tuesday alters the makeup of Congress or the control of statehouses around the country, but on how well Bush navigates the country through the threat of war and recession between now and 1992.

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#90311u1544 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA, NEB. (NOV. 7) UPI - Livestock Wednesday:

Cattle 250; hardly enough slaughter steers or heifers on offer to establish a market; limited sales both classes experiencing lower undertone; slaughter cows fully 1.00 higher instances 2.00 higher than Tuesday as buyers for cows to return to pasture or feedlot again fairly aggressive; slaughter bulls not established.

Slaughter steers lot choice No 2-3 1100-1125 lb 78.50, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1150 lb 76.50-77.50, select 75.00-76.00; slaughter heifers package choice No 2-3 1075-1100 lb 78.50, select and choice No 2-3 950-1100 lb 76.00-77.50, select 75.00-76.00; cows breaking boning 44.00-51.00, low to average cutter 41.00-47.75.

Hogs slaughter 1,100, feeder pigs 800, total 1, 900; butchers 1.00 higher, No 1-3 220-270 lb 52.50-53.00, No 2-3 260-280 lb 51.50-52.00; sows 25 percent, 1.00-2.00 lower, No 1-3 350-500 lb 45.50-46.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb mostly 48.50 entire price range 48.00-49.00.

Sheep for the week slaughter lambs 2.00 lower, ewes steady; shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb No 1-2 pelts 48.00- 50.00, other weights variously discounted; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb 47.00-48.00, other weights discounted, shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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#90311u1550 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - Nationwide voter turnout in this week's midterm election may have hit a 50-year low, with no consistent pattern from state to state, analysts said Wednesday.

Going into the voting, independent projections based on registration figures indicated that the turnout may be worse than the 36.4 percent level reached in the last midterm election of 1986. That was, in turn, the poorest voter showing since the 1942 midterm election.

Curtis Gans, director of the Committee for the Study of the American Electorate, described Tuesday's turnout as a ''cliffhanger'' in the sense that with only a small segment of the vote still not counted as of Wednesday afternoon, the turnout was almost exactly at the 1986 level.

''If there are 3 million votes out there it will be lower than in 1986, if there are 4 million it will be about the same,'' said Gans.

Gans added that turnout for Democrats held fairly steady, while Republican turnout was down by only a slight margin.

However, Gans added that an analysis of the figures from across the country showed no pattern except that turnout appeared driven solely by the importance and closeness of the top race from state to state.

Of the 46 states that had statewide races on tap, Gans said turnout increased from the last midterm election in 23, while dropping in the other 23.

And in some of the places where the key races were viewed as critical, the turnout showed it, regardless of whether the contest was close.

For example, in the District of Columbia, Democrat Sharon Pratt Dixon was elected mayor with an astounding 86 percent of the vote. Turnout was a record 53 percent.

In that case, even though the outcome was not in doubt, the race was viewed as critical because it represented a changing of the guard from the troubled administration of Mayor Marion Barry, who was convicted of drug charges earlier this year and was not in the race.

Meanwhile, the North Carolina Senate race - a much closer affair won by conservative Republican incumbent Jesse Helms over liberal black Democrat Harvey Gantt - also generated large voter interest.

''In that race you probably had the highest midterm turnout since women were given the franchise (to vote),'' said Gans.

Historically, turnout in midterm elections is much lower than in years when the presidency is at stake and the race for the White House sparks more interest in politics.

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#90311u1556 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - Democrats won two of the three big Sunbelt state elections for governor Tuesday in Florida and Texas, but the biggest prize of them all, California, got away.

Former Sen. Lawton Chiles dumped Republican Gov. Bob Martinez in Florida and Democratic state Treasurer Ann Richards defeated Republican millionaire William Clayton in Texas to succeed GOP Gov. William Clements.

But Sen. Pete Wilson, a moderate-conservative Republican, downed former San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein, allowing the GOP to hold on to the governor's mansion in the nation's largest state.

While changes were minimal in Senate and House elections, there were a number of upsets and numerous close races for governor in every area of the country.

Going into the election, Democrats held the governship in 20 states and the Republicans in 16. The others were not at stake.

Although the reasons varied from state to state, governors who raised taxes, such as Martinez, appeared to be the most vulnerable.

The election of governors was crucial for both the Democrats and Republicans

because the winners will have veto power over congressional redistricting in the coming year based on the 1990 census.

Although the actual drafting of the new districts will be the work of the state legislatures, governors have a major say and Republicans were banking heavily on holding on to Florida and Texas.

The failure to hold those two governships could make it even more difficult for Republicans to capture control of the House, which they last had in 1953.

Underscoring the importance of the gubernatorial races, President Bush campaigned hard on several trips for Martinez and Williams, as he did for Wilson in California.

Republicans won back some ground when former Cleveland Mayor George Voinovich beat Attorney General Anthony Celebrezze for Ohio's governship now held by Democrat Richard Celeste.

Former U.S. Attorney William Weld upset Democrat John Silber, outspoken president of Boston University, succeeding Democratic Gov. Michael Dukakis who did not seek re-election in Massachusetts, costing the Democrats one of their bastion states.

And in another large state, Illinois, Secretary of State Jim Edgar held the governorship for the Republicans, beating Attorney General Neil Hartigan. Gov. Jim Thompson, a Republican, did not seek a fifth term.

Some of the closest races took place in the Midwest states of Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Kansas.

In a razor-thin race in Michigan, John Engler, leader of the state Senate's Republicans, defeated incumbent Democrat James Blanchard who was seeking a third term. In Nebraska, Omaha attorney Ben Nelson barely defeated Republican Gov. Kay Orr.

With 96 percent of the vote counted in Minnesota, last-minute substitute Arne Carlson, the state auditor, defeated Democratic incumbent Gov. Rudy Perpich, 51 percent to 49 percent. With 96 percent of the vote counted, Carlson had 761,239 votes to Perpich's 740,435.

But Democrats swept through Kansas with State Treasurer John Finney beating incumbent Republican Gov. Mike Hayden, and through Oklahoma where Democrat David Walters, making his second run, beat Republican U.S. Attorney Bill Price to replace GOP Gov. Henry Bellmon.

They also picked off a Republican governship in Rhode Island where Democrat Bruce Sundlun, in his second try, dumped Republican Gov. Ed DiPrete, but lost Vermont when former Republican Gov. Dick Snelling beat Democrat Peter Welch.

Even New York Gov. Mario Cuomo, one of the Democrats' premier vote getters, came in for a shock, winning with only about 53 percent of the vote. In Connecticut, former Republican Sen. Lowell Weicker beat both the Republican and Democratic candidates.

In Maine, Republican incumbent John McKernan defeated Democratic challenger Joseph Brennan.

In other states, incumbents won re-election, some by narrow margins and others by lopsided counts.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - Here is the current status of governor races, as of 1:11 p.m. EST.

Alabama (R) R-L - 99 pct

Hubbert	D	585,664	48
Hunt	R-I	630,473	52

Alaska AI-L - 95 pct

Knowles	D	50,775	31
Sturgulewsk	R	44,156	27
Hickel	AI	63,558	39
Sykes	GP	5,418	3

Arizona R-L - 99 pct

Goddard	D	517,767	49
Symington	R	522,294	50
Write-In	WI	10,104	1

Arkansas (D) D-L - 98 pct

Clinton	D-I	382,662	57
Nelson	R	286,455	43

California R-L - 99 pct

Feinstein	D	3,274,830	46
Wilson	R	3,462,270	49
McCready	AI	127,949	2
Thompson	B	134,825	2
Munoz	PF	89,625	1

Colorado (D) D-L - 100 pct

Romer	D-I	625,057	63
Andrews	R	362,855	37

Connecticut I-L - 100 pct

Morrison	D	232,856	20
Rowland	R	427,504	38
Weicker	I	460,119	40
Zdonczyk	I	16,729	1

Florida (R) D-L - 100 pct

Chiles	D	1,987,790	57
Martinz	R-I	1,524,200	43

Georgia D-L - 99 pct

Miller	D	765,490	53
Isakson	R	645,420	45
Rand	B	37,164	3

Hawaii (D) D-L - 100 pct

Waihee	D-I	203,491	61
Hemmings	R	131,310	39

Idaho (D) D-L - 95 pct

Andrus	D-I	199,467	67
Fairchild	R	96,069	33

Illinois R-L - 98 pct

Hartigan	D	1,538,400	48
Edgar	R	1,635,370	52

Iowa (R) R-L - 100 pct

Avenson	D	377,445	39
Branstad	R-I	588,943	61

Kansas (R) D-L - 100 pct

Finney	D	381,387	53
Hayden	R-I	332,202	47

Maine (R) R-L - 99 pct

Brennan	D	226,178	44
McKernn	R-I	239,441	47
Adam	U	47,529	9

Maryland (D) D-L - 100 pct

Schaefer	D-I	644,528	60
Shepard	R	435,361	40

Massachusetts R-L - 97 pct

Silber	D	1,055,800	48
Weld	R	1,128,850	52

Michigan (D) R-L - 100 pct

Blnchrd	D-I	1,260,610	50
Engler	R	1,279,740	50

Minnesota (D) R-L - 97 pct

Perpich	D-I	743,738	49
Carlson	R	764,604	51

Nebraska (R) D-L - 100 pct

Nelson	D	286,776	50
Orr	R-I	282,118	50
Sullivan	WI	1,026	0

Nevada (D) D-L - 99 pct

Miller	D-I	207,331	66
Gallaway	R	95,533	31
None These	I	8,984	3

New Hampshire (R) R-L - 100 pct

Grandmasn	D	101,496	37
Gregg	R-I	176,560	63

New Mexico D-L - 99 pct

King	D	223,526	54
Bond	R	187,549	46

New York (D) D-L - 99 pct

Cuomo	D-I	2,099,050	53
Rinfret	R	851,665	22
London	C	814,985	21
Wein	T	150,919	4
Fulani	NA	30,839	1

Ohio R-L - 100 pct

Celebrezz	D	1,527,150	44
Voinovich	R	1,924,200	56

Oklahoma D-L - 100 pct

Walters	D	523,195	64
Price	R	297,580	36

Oregon D-L - 100 pct

Roberts	D	470,888	46
Frohnmayr	R	403,795	39
Oerther	B	13,603	1
Mobley	I	133,990	13

Pennsylvania (D) D-L - 99 pct

Casey	D-I	2,059,300	68
Hafer	R	987,649	32

Rhode Island (R) D-L - 99 pct

Sundlun	D	256,507	74
DiPrete	R-I	88,519	26

South Carolina (R) R-L - 99 pct

Mitchell	D	210,793	29
Campbell	R-I	522,887	71

South Dakota (R) R-L - 99 pct

Samuelson	D	105,298	41
Mickelson	R-I	150,953	59

Tennessee (D) D-L - 100 pct

McWhertr	D-I	476,996	62
Henry	R	286,668	38

Texas D-L - 99 pct

Richards	D	1,915,830	51
Williams	R	1,817,840	49

Vermont R-L - 100 pct

Welch	D	97,101	46
Snelling	R	109,195	52
Atkinson	B	2,765	1
Gottlieb	LU	1,389	1

Wisconsin (R) R-L - 100 pct

Loftus	D	576,292	42
Thompsn	R-I	802,219	58

Wyoming (D) D-L - 100 pct

Sullivan	D-I	104,500	65
Mead	R	55,426	35

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - Here is the current status of the Senate races, as of 1:11 p.m. EST.

Alabama (D) D-L - 99 pct

Heflin	D-I	711,972	61
Cabaniss	R	462,114	39

Alaska (R) R-L - 95 pct

Beasley	D	51,966	33
Stevens	R-I	106,465	67

Colorado R-L - 100 pct

Heath	D	425,681	43
Brown	R	568,335	57

Delaware (D) D-L - 100 pct

Biden	D-I	112,128	63
Brady	R	64,682	37

Hawaii (D) D-L - 100 pct

Akaka	D-I	188,901	54
Saiki	R	155,978	45
Schoolland	B	4,787	1

Idaho R-L - 95 pct

Twilegar	D	112,752	39
Craig	R	178,653	61

Illinois (D) D-L - 98 pct

Simon	D-I	2,076,700	65
Martin	R	1,124,950	35

Indiana (R) R-L - 100 pct

Hill	D	692,234	46
Coats,D	R-I	799,472	54

Iowa (D) D-L - 100 pct

Harkin	D-I	528,606	54
Tauke	R	449,301	46

Kansas (R) R-L - 100 pct

Williams	D	207,098	26
Kassebm	R-I	578,153	74

Kentucky (R) R-L - 99 pct

Sloane	D	436,855	48
McConnll	R-I	477,004	52

Maine (R) R-L - 99 pct

Rolde	D	198,064	39
Cohen	R-I	313,841	61

Massachusetts (D) D-L - 97 pct

Kerry	D-I	1,267,620	57
Rappaport	R	954,157	43

Michigan (D) D-L - 100 pct

Levin	D-I	1,471,730	58
Schuette	R	1,054,610	42

Minnesota (R) D-L - 99 pct

Wellstone	D	878,590	52
Boschwitz	R-I	825,552	48

Montana (D) D-L - 100 pct

Baucus	D-I	217,451	70
Kolstad	R	93,984	30

Nebraska (D) D-L - 100 pct

Exon	D-I	342,916	59
Daub	R	237,429	41

New Hampshire R-L - 100 pct

Durkin	D	91,786	33
Smith	R	188,854	67

New Jersey (D) D-L - 99 pct

Bradley	D-I	972,056	51
Whitman	R	916,359	49

New Mexico (R) R-L - 99 pct

Benavides	D	109,375	27
Domenici	R-I	294,226	73

North Carolina (R) R-L - 99 pct

Gantt	D	973,959	47
Helms	R-I	1,078,600	53

Oklahoma (D) D-L - 100 pct

Boren	D-I	735,644	83
Jones	R	148,814	17

Oregon (R) R-L - 100 pct

Lonsdale	D	464,705	46
Hatfield	R-I	542,655	54

Rhode Island (D) D-L - 99 pct

Pell	D-I	217,339	62
Schneider	R	134,267	38

South Carolina (R) R-L - 99 pct

Cunninghm	D	242,872	34
Thurmnd	R-I	477,894	66

South Dakota (R) R-L - 99 pct

Muenster	D	116,431	45
Pressler	R-I	135,443	52
Sinclair	I	6,548	3

Tennessee (D) D-L - 100 pct

Gore	D-I	526,869	70
Hawkins	R	229,714	30

Texas (R) R-L - 99 pct

Parmer	D	1,427,870	38
Gramm	R-I	2,292,180	62

Virginia (R) R-L - 99 pct

Warner	R-I	874,478	82
Spannaus	I	196,692	18

West Virginia (D) D-L - 100 pct

Rockefllr	D-I	274,538	69
Yoder	R	126,018	31

Wyoming (R) R-L - 100 pct

Helling	D	56,692	36
Simpson	R-I	100,800	64

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ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (NOV. 7) UPI - New Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif said Wednesday courts would continue to investigate corruption charges against Benazir Bhutto and members of her ousted administration, but said the process would also be extended to include his own party.

He also announced an immediate lifting of a state of emergency imposed when President Ghulam Ishaq Khan dismissed the 20-month-old Bhutto government and dissolved the National Assembly last Aug. 6.

Sharif spoke in an address to the nation on television and radio one day after being sworn in as prime minister. His Islamic Democratic Alliance, a disparate army-backed coalition of anti-Bhutto parties, scored a convincing win over the ex-prime minister's Pakistan People's Party in the Oct. 24 elections.

Bhutto, 37, now leader of the opposition, and members of her former administration are facing corruption charges in Special Disqualification Courts set up by Ishaq Khan. If found guilty they could be barred from politics for seven years.

''The process of accountability will continue,'' Sharif said, referring to the

investigations into those suspected of misuse of power. But he said ''we will also present ourselves for accountability.''

Sharif, in his 40-minute speech in the Urdu language, also announced plans to reduce bureaucracy and speed up industrialization.

''I cannot bring back the years that have been lost, but I can put the country back on the rails that lead to progress and prosperity, development and industrialization.''

Sharif, 42, is a wealthy self-made industrialist, unlike most other senior Pakistani politicians, who come from feudal landowning families. He was formerly finance minister and subsequently chief minister of Punjab, Pakistan's most populous province.

On the question of Pakistan's alleged program to build nuclear weapons, he said ''we will continue our policy which is not a destructive policy.''

The United States on Oct. 1 suspended millions of dollars in aid to Pakistan because President Bush was unable to certify to Congress that Islamabad is not trying to manufacture nuclear weapons.

But Sharif said Pakistan will ''try to keep our friendship and maintain cooperation with the United States. On Afghanistan, we will continue to play our role.''

The United States backs Pakistan-based Afghan guerrillas fighting the pro-Soviet government in Kabul since 1979. However, Pakistan's strategic value to Washington has diminished following last year's Soviet pullout from Afghanistan.

Sharif also called on India to implement U.N. resolutions calling for a plebiscite in the disputed region of Kashmir. Relations between the the arch-rivals have nose-dived since a popular uprising began in January against New Delhi's rule in the Indian-controlled section of Kashmir.

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#90311u1604 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 7) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Wednesday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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#90311u1655 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
SANTA CLARA, Calif. (NOV. 7) UPI - Intel Corp. plans to announce next week the development of a powerful supercomputer that could be the fastest in the world, the San Francisco Chronicle reported Wednesday.

The experimental computer will be built by Intel's supercomputer operation in Beaverton, Ore., and will be installed at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, Calif., where it was expected to be made available to researchers around the globe, the San Francisco Chronicle reported.

The machine is based on an emerging technology known as ''parallel processing '' which uses hundreds of microprocessors working together to solve complex scientific problems.

The machine will have a theoretical top speed of 30 billion so-called floating-point operations a second, a standard measure of a computer's speed at complex number-crunching. That compares with 27 billlion operations a second claimed by NCube, an Oregon supercomputer company that has yet to sell a machine that powerful.

''It's arguably the highest-performance supercomputer anybody has ever shipped in the industry, '' Andy Grove, Intel's chief executive officer, told analysts Oct. 26.

The Defense Department has invested in parallel processing technology as a key component of future defense systems, for such tasks as breaking codes and simulating the effects of nuclear explosions. The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency has spent at least $32 million to foster developments in the technology by private companies.

Intel's machine reportedly links together up to 512 of Intel's powerful i860 microprocessors. Intels' most powerful machine to date uses 128 of the speedy chips.

Intel was expected to announce the machine next Tuesday at a supercomputer conference in New York, the Chronicle reported.

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#90311u1671 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - Yields declined on 10-year T-notes Wednesday to an average of 8.52 percent on the second day of the government's quarterly refunding, the lowest since 7.94 percent Nov. 13, 1989, the Treasury Department announced.

The department said it auctioned about $11 billion of the 8 1/2 percent interest rate notes at an average of $99.867. At the last auction Aug. 8, the average yield was 8.77 percent.

The Treasury Department also revised down its borrowing needs for the current quarter to $87.5 billion from $97.75 billion to pay for the cost of government operations and borrowing, including the savings and loan crisis.

''The downward revision reflects a shift in the timing of Resolution Trust Corporation expenditures,'' the department said. The RTC is charged with disposing of the assets of failed thrifts.

The United States is offering a record $34.25 billion in notes and bonds during the three-day refunding to pay off securities reaching maturity and raise a total of about $10.725 billion in new cash.

Wednesday's bids totaled more than $29 billion.

At the start of the effort Tuesday, yields declined on 3-year T-notes to an average of 7.78 percent at the start of the government's quarterly refunding, the lowest since 7.77 percent Nov. 9, 1989.

The department said it auctioned $12.6 billion of the 7 3/4 percent interest rate notes at an average of $99.921. At the last auction of 3- year notes Aug. 7, the average yield was 8.10 percent.

The refunding ends Thursday. The government will offer $10.75 billion in 29 3/4-year bonds and $12 billion in a 161-day cash management bill on the final day of the marathon sale.

The minimum denomination on the 10-year note and 29 3/4-year bonds is $1,000. The minimum purchase for the cash management bills is $10,000. The minimum denomination on the 3-year notes sold Tuesday was $5,000.

At a news conference Oct. 31, the Treasury Department announced it anticipated a net market borrowing need of between $47 billion and $52 billion in the first quarter of next year. That estimate has not changed, officials said Wednesday.

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#90311u1693 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (NOV. 7) UPI - Pan Am Corp. Chairman Thomas Plaskett said Wednesday he views the airline's controversial $400 million sale and marketing pact with United Airlines as an ''evolutionary'' agreement that may lead to further consolidation of the two carriers.

''It is my view that our relationship with United will be an evolutionary relationship, that we will do the things that we have said we were going to do in this agreement and look for additional opportunities, and if that develops into something more definitive, so be it,'' Plasket told reporters.

''But there are no expectations or representations that it will go beyond the agreement as it is specified today,'' he said.

Plaskett, who came to south Florida to tout Pan Am's Miami expansion, also disparaged an effort by Robert Crandall, chairman of American Airlines, to scuttle the deal, saying American had plenty of chances to propose a deal.

American has said it is prepared to bid more for assets included in the deal, notably the five Pan Am routes linking the United States with London. The pact with United also has been criticized by leaders of the Teamsters union, which represents Pan Am workers.

''We have had a for-sale sign or a bring-us-a-proposal sign on the company for two and a half years, so I don't have much sympathy for someone who got beat out by somebody else's proposal,'' Plaskett said.

Plaskett also said he does not believe American can block the deal.

''We have a binding agreement with United that our board feels brings real value to Pan Am,'' Plaskett said. ''Simply standing up and yelling about it doesn't change the basic value of the deal.''

The agreement with United benefits Pan Am in several ways, Plaskett said.

United plans to add service and coordinate flights from Chicago, San Francisco and possibly other points to Miami to connect with Pan Am service to the Caribbean and Latin America.

Plaskett also said the agreement to link the frequent flier programs of the two airlines will provide substantial benefits to Pan Am.

''There is a tremendous value in the marketing agreement between Pan Am and United, and irrespective of the cash we receive for the transaction - which we believe is a fair deal for everyone - the hidden value of the marketing agreement is significant,'' he said.

''The incremental revenues opportunities for Pan Am as a result of the frequent flier program linkage will be substantial,'' he said. ''That is a value that will go on for years.''

Plaskett said the company's expansion in Miami will be accelerated because of the United transaction, and he said that expansion has begun to pay dividends.

''We have been very pleased with our performance at Miami and our Miami hub startup. Our revenues are up over 20 percent. Our profits in the Miami hub are up over 32 percent. We have had a substantial increase in load factor - some 4 points - and our yields have been up,'' Plaskett said.

''We have clearly demonstrated that Pan Am can produce a product that is not only fully competitive but superior in all aspects to the competition.''

Plaskett also told reporters Pan Am has talked with five or six ''serious'' parties about the possible sale of its Pan Am Shuttle, but may decide not to sell the operation after all.

Although Pan Am's pilots union has yet to submit a bid, several other parties have done so, Plaskett said.

''There are enough offers that we have an interesting, competitive situation '' he said. ''These are very difficult times for such transactions both in terms of valuation and the availability of financing. ... So we haven't made a determination yet as to whether we will accept any of the proposals that we have received. ... We may decide that it is appropriate not to sell the shuttle at this time.''

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BOSTON (NOV. 7) UPI - A combination of cholesterol-lowering drugs and a low-fat diet can open clogged arteries in some men with heart disease and allow them to avoid surgery, researchers said Wednesday.

The ''surprising'' results of a 32-month study found that men given intensive drug therapy had half as much disease progression and three times more reversal of blocked arteries than those given dummy drugs, said Dr. Greg Brown of the University of Washington in Seattle.

Brown said 74 men in two drug therapy groups had 73 percent fewer heart attacks or other symptoms such as angina than 46 men in a comparison group. During the study, all of the participants ate a diet that limited fats to 30 percent of total calories.

''I was quite surprised by the amount of disease regression we saw,'' said Brown, noting that researchers initially expected that the drugs would at best halt the progress of heart disease. ''I had seldom seen arteries get better, so I was unimpressed with that possibility when we started.''

However, in findings reported in The New England Journal of Medicine, Brown and colleagues said 35 percent of the men who were given some combination of the drugs lovastatin, colestipol and niacin had decreases in amounts of fatty substances known as plaque which clog arteries and make it more difficult for

blood to pass through. In addition, the men experienced significant drops in their total cholesterol levels, the study found.

About 1.5 million Americans suffer heart attacks each year, which are triggered when the blood supply to the heart is cut off. About 500,000 heart attack victims die each year.

Brown said the findings from the Familial Atherosclerosis Treatment Study, or FATS, may mean that in some cases, drugs can be used to treat people with blocked arteries instead of coronary bypass operations or balloon angioplasty.

An estimated 330,000 bypass operations and about 190,000 angioplasty procedures are performed annually in the United States. Angioplasty involves opening narrowed arteries with a tiny balloon.

''I can foresee the day when one pill a day can take people from dangerous cholesterol levels to safe levels'' and in the process, halt or reverse heart disease, said Brown, who reported the study's initial finding last year at an American Heart Association meeting.

The role that cholesterol plays in heart disease has been the subject of long debate. But in an editorial accompanying the journal study, Dr. Joseph Loscalzo of Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston said the report and another recent study offer ''important information'' showing that lowering cholesterol can affect the course of heart disease and cut the heart attack rate.

In their study, Brown and co-researchers gave 38 men daily doses of lovastatin combined with colestipol and another 36 a daily regimen of niacin and colestipol. The other 46 received dummy drugs for comparison purposes.

The men, who were 47 years old on the average, had histories of heart disease and also had high cholesterol levels when the study began.

Brown said lovastatin, made by Merck and Co. of Rahway, N.J., works by inhibiting the action of the principle enzyme involved in manufacture of cholesterol in the liver. Colestipol, made by the Upjohn Co. of Kalamazoo, Mich., interferes with the ability of the intestinal tract to absorb cholesterol, he said. The role that niacin plays in cholesterol reduction is not fully understood, he said. Niacin is commonly sold in health food stores.

During the study, 46 percent of those given the dummy drugs experienced increased clogging of arteries and only 11 percent had partial clearing. By contrast, clogging became worse in only 21 percent given lovastatin and colestipol and blockages decreased in 32 percent.

Of the men who received niacin and colestipol, artery clogging became worse in 25 percent and better in 39 percent.

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#90311u1733 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - The White House had words of warning Wednesday for foreign officials flocking to Baghdad to seek the release of hostages held by Iraq: good intentions may only play into the propaganda hands of Saddam Hussein.

''The officials and others going there walk a very fine line,'' said White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater, ''between trying to help their countrymen and and being used by the Saddam Hussein for the inhuman treatment of the hostage families and the hostages themselves.''

On a day that saw Saddam promise freedom for 120 more hostages after meeting with former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt, Fitzwater accused the Iraqi leader of ''using the hostages to piecemeal out propaganda for his regime.''

Brandt was only the latest in a succession of foreign politicians, including former prime ministers of Britain and Japan, to visit Baghdad to appeal for the release of their foreign nationals in Iraq and Kuwait.

Fitzwater criticized Saddam's well-publicized meetings with them as ''obvious, very cynical attempts to propagandize'' his control over the hostages.

In being courted by foreign politicians and offering telephone calls and holiday season visits to relatives of the hostages, Fitzwater assered Saddam was ''cruelly toying with the emotions of families who obviously want to see their relatives.

''If he wants them to get together, he ought to let those hostages come home '' he added.

Fitzwater discouraged relatives of the hostages and even members of Congress from accepting any invitations to visit Iraq, emphasizing to reporters that ''these people are being used and we want to point that out in the strongest terms.''

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#90311u1740 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 7) UPI - Election coverage '90 is winding down with just a few more ballots to count. And while the ''throw the rascals out'' movement gained support on the state level it changed little in Washington. Democrats control the House roughly 25845. And they won at least four governorships.

Minnesota's Democratic Governor, Rudy Perpich, appears ready to concede defeat to Republican Arne Carlson. A Perpich aide told United Press International it's ''a fairly safe bet at this point'' that Perpich will acknowledge defeat

at a news conference. Carlson leads Perpich by about 20-thousand votes with 95 percent of the Minnesota votes counted.

Secretary of State Baker, continuing an overseas swing, has again said there will be NO partial solution to the Persian Gulf crisis... that it must either be decided one way or the other. And he again declined to rule out the use of military force if diplomacy doesN'T do the job. Baker spoke to reporters at Ankara airport on his way to Moscow.

Administration officials say President Bush plans to announce the resignation tomorrow of William Bennett as the nation's first drug czar. The sources report Bennett is satisfied that he has put the nation's drug strategy in place and simply wants to move on. He will become the second high level administration official to quit recently. Elizabeth Dole resigned as labor secretary last month.

The United States says it will withdraw all of its fighter aircraft from the Philippines next year when its basing rights in the country expire. Special U-S negotiator Richard Armitage made the announcement today during a private meeting with the Philippine foreign secretary. The announcement comes on the eve of the second round of talks on the future of six U-S facilities in the country.

The Philipine military has been ordered by the government to negotiate release of an American missionary held by Communist guerrilas. Ex-Marine Arvy Drown, who holds a passport issued in Seattle, was taken prisoner on October 19th. The abduction took place some 260 miles north of Manila.

New York City police believe the firebombing of a Brooklyn grocery store is tied to the often-violent 12-day-old strike against the tabloid Daily News. The store was fire-bombed last week and the owner was warned NOT to sell the Daily News. The store was nearly destroyed in this second fire.

A psychiatrist has testified in a Wisconsin rape trial that her client now has 28 more distinct personalities added to the 28 she already had before she was attacked June 11th. The testimony in Oskosh, Wisconsin, comes in the trial of 29-year-old Mark Peterson, charged with second-degree sexual assault.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - Democrats strengthened their control of Congress in the midterm elections but the gains in the Senate and House were too small to shackle President Bush's masterly use of the veto.

The ''firestorm'' that many Republican leaders feared would engulf GOP candidates after Bush's tax debacle split their ranks barely singed them and left the makeup of the Senate and House numerically almost the same.

In the 102nd Congress, which convenes Jan. 3, Democrats will control the Senate 56-44 and the House 268-167.

Socialist Bernard Sanders of Vermont, only the third member of his party to serve in Congress and the first in 62 years, is expected to be welcomed by the Democratic Party as a member.

In the Congress that just adjourned, the Democrats held a 55-45 edge in the Senate and 258-175 (two vacancies) in the House, giving them a one-seat gain in the Senate and a net gain of eight in the House.

The turnover is far from the numbers reached by the party not controlling the White House in many previous midterm elections and very close to what most political analysts concluded in the last days of the campaign.

Predictably, Democratic leaders were elated by the results of the elections.

Sen. John Breaux, D-La., chairman of the Senate Democratic Campaign Committee, said, ''Two years ago, I said our goal for this cycle was to hold our 55 seats.

''We had gained Senate seats for three consecutive election cycles,'' he said Wednesday. ''And the last time the Democratic Party gained seats for four consecutive cycles was during the New Deal realignment.

''Our incumbents were heavily targeted and conventional wisdom said that we would lose seats because of the strength of their congressional challengers,'' Breaux said. ''So much for conventional wisdom.''

Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, R-Minn., a two-term senator and former chairman of the Senate GOP Campaign Committee, was the only Senate incumbent to lose. Some others - Sens. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, and Daniel Akaka, D-Hawaii - were considered vulnerable but won comfortably.

A number of House incumbents, none of them senior members or chairmen of committees, were felled. Two of them, Reps. Charles Payshayn, R- Calif., and Denny Smith, R-Ore., were the first victims of the fallout from the S&L scandal.

''Republicans are now at a 50-year low of House seats held entering a reapportionment year,'' Rep. Beryl Athony, D-Ark., chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, said. ''I would say that Republican dream of taking control of the House in 1992 has turned into a nightmare. Democrats look almost certain to hold the House until the next century.''

The Democratic gains in Congress, as minute as they were, gave them needed protection against a GOP takeover in the 1992 elections, especially in the House.

Before the optimism was extinguished, Republicans had hoped to pick up two or more Senate seats, positioning themselves to take control in 1992.

In the next election, Democrats will have to defend 20 seats to 14 for the Republicans and any gains this year would have put the GOP well within striking distance of a majority.

But the one-seat gain in the Senate still makes Congress vulnerable to Bush's vetoes and guarantees another two years of warfare between the White House and Capitol Hill. In his first two years, Bush vetoed 16 bills and Congress failed to override any of them.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the veto ''will continue to be a legislative strategy tool,'' but said the election outcome ''also means that you've got to work harder to work with the Congress.''

The re-election of two hard-line conservative ideologues, Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C. and House GOP whip Newt Ginrich of Georgia assures two more years of obstruction and delay in the Senate and a split in Republican ranks in the House.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - The last votes from this year's midterm election were still being counted Wednesday as the focus of both political parties turned firmly to the 1992 race for the White House.

And, not surprisingly, both Democrats and Republicans used the results of Tuesday's voting to argue why their claims on the presidency were strengthened.

There was legitimacy to both sides.

National Democrats were quick to argue that their gains in some Sun Belt gubernatorial races, coupled with network exit polling data, proved that they could use pro-middle class pocketbook themes to make a strong 1992 push for the White House and win their second presidential race in seven tries.

''The agenda is really our agenda now,'' Democratic National Chairman Ron Brown argued. ''I think people have awakened to the 1980s. We're on the brink of a recession. Reaganomics is dead. George Bush is in a slide. I think George Bush is clearly vulnerable in 1992. I think we can see a strong base for 1992.''

''The voters reacted to the inability of the president and his party to handle the budget crisis and looked to the Democratic Party for leadership,'' noted Rep. Beryl Anthony, D-Ark., the head of the Democratic Congressional Campaign

Committee. ''President Bush should beware. He is next in 1992.''

''Out of the budget battle has emerged a much clearer focus on the differences in the parties ... and the differences are cutting to our favor,'' added Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell, playing on the same theme.

But Republicans contended that if the new budget agreement helped the economy in the next year, that would not hurt President Bush in 1992 because the public would be satisfied.

Instead, they argued that their ability to pick up gubernatorial seats in the industrial states of Michigan and Ohio would help the GOP in those states establish a base for Bush in 1992.

At the same time, they downplayed Democratic gubernatorial gains in Texas and Florida. ''George Bush can win those states on his own,'' said Charles Black, the top spokesman for the national GOP. ''Looking down the list, I don't think there is a Democrat who can beat Bush in Florida or Texas in '92.''

Black said while the Democrats may push economic issues, the GOP would go on the attack on crime and drugs - a plan that could set the stage for a resurrection of attacks on liberals.

Some Republicans also pointed to possibly serious wounds suffered Tuesday by two potential Democratic candidates: New York Gov. Mario Cuomo and Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J.

In New York, Cuomo easily outdistanced his four opponents. However, after governing the Empire State for eight years, he pulled only 53 percent of the vote, while three far more conservative candidates split 46 percent.

In the Garden State, Bradley, considered a sure bet for a third term, had far more money than his opponent, little-known Republican Christine Todd Whitman, but still squeezed out only a 51-49 win.

''The other factor in '92 will be who the Democrats run against George Bush,'' noted Black. ''Senator Bradley might be off the charts now after taking such a big scare trying to carry his own state while outspending his opponent 10-to-1. I see no evidence that Governor Cuomo can get any anti-incumbent trend going against George Bush. The president's in very strong political shape.''

''They ought to be glad Bradley and Cuomo weren't running against Bush yesterday,'' said Black. ''They might not have won their own states.''

For his part, Bush was low key Wednesday and his aides tried to put the best spin on the results, contending Republicans did better than usual for midterm elections.

''All in all, it looks like a pretty standard off-year election that has something in it for everybody,'' noted White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 7) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	77.50	77.82	77.35	77.60	77.57
Feb	74.77	74.97	74.60	74.85	74.80
Apr	74.90	75.10	74.72	74.92	74.95
Jun	72.62	72.85	72.55	72.72	72.72
Aug	71.40	71.45	71.25	71.27	71.30
Oct	71.67	71.67	71.50	71.52	71.62
Dec	72.30	72.30	72.30	72.30	72.25

Est. sales 11,278 contracts; Tuesday 9,336; open interest 68,942 up 191.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Nov	87.90	88.00	87.80	87.97	87.90
Jan	86.10	86.60	86.10	86.30	86.15
Mar	83.65	84.10	83.60	83.80	83.80
Apr	82.75	83.05	82.65	82.85	82.75
May	81.82	82.22	81.82	82.17	81.82
Aug	81.02	81.10	81.00	81.00	81.00
Sep	....	....	....	80.20	80.20

Est. sales 1,492 contracts; Tuesday 1,611; open interest 9,408 up 166.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	53.80	54.25	53.50	53.72	53.82
Feb	51.27	51.60	50.70	51.15	51.27
Apr	48.32	48.55	47.82	47.92	48.12
Jun	51.85	52.00	51.47	51.70	51.60
Jul	51.87	52.20	51.85	51.95	51.97
Aug	50.17	50.25	50.00	50.10	50.15
Oct	....	45.20	45.10	44.85	44.85
Dec	....	45.20	45.10	44.90	44.90

Est. sales 8,727 contracts; Tuesday 12,174; open interest 26,685 up 148. Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	69.00	70.25	68.45	69.97	68.25
Mar	68.40	69.37	67.90	69.20	67.37
May	68.50	69.55	67.80	69.12	67.55
Jul	67.40	68.62	67.15	68.25	66.62
Aug	65.95	66.00	65.20	66.00	64.00

Est. sales 7,611 contracts; Tuesday 6,568; open interest 8,945 up 345.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lb 126.58 up 24 cents, 700- 850 lb 126.44 up 11 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lb 117.62 down 32 cents, 700-850 lb 117.18 down 18 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light; fresh pork loins weak to 3.00 lower; Boston butts 5.50 lower; skinned hams weak to 5.00 lower; seedless bellies firm to 2.25 higher; pork loins 14-18 lb 98.00-100.00; Boston butts 4-8 lb 72.50; hams 20-26 lb 85.00-89.00; bellies 10-12 lb 53.00, 12-14 lb 57.50-59.75 14-16 lb 58.00-59.75, 16-18 lb 56.00-57.75, 20-25 lb 53.50- 54.00.

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#90311u1794 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. (NOV. 7) UPI - A Universal Studios security guard was arrested Wednesday in a spectacular multimillion-dollar fire that ravaged the studio's back lot, destroying several sets and scorching attractions on the popular studio tour, authorities said.

Michael J. Huston, 40, was arrested at Universal Studios shortly after dawn, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Arson Sgt. Dale Underwood said. Huston was booked on suspicion of arson and held on $1 million bail.

Deputies released little information about the suspect or a possible motive, except to say he was on duty shortly after 7 p.m. Tuesday, when the blaze erupted on a sound stage on the back lot at one of the world's most popular tourist attractions.

The blaze, fanned by gusty Santa Ana winds, burned for nearly three hours in what one official called a ''fire storm'' that lit up sets seen in dozens of films and television shows, including ''Dick Tracy'' and ''Back To The Future.''

About 200 studio employees still on the lot, some tour groups, nearby restaurants and theaters were evacuated, but no injuries were reported. At the Universal City Hilton about a half-mile away, officials temporarily blocked access to the Republican Party's election-night celebration.

No exact damage estimate from the fire, which raged across five acres, was immediately released. But official estimated it to be in the millions of dollars.

Portions of the back lot destroyed included Courthouse Square, where ''Back to the Future'' was filmed; the Dick Tracy Building; the New York Street and New York Alley; Brownstone Square and the set where portions of ''Ben Hur'' were filmed.

The fire also heavily damaged the King Kong exhibit on the Universal Studios tour and the tour's Earthquake exhibit. The vaults containing the studio's priceless film archives were saved.

The blaze could be seen for miles, and firefighters said chemicals and explosives used in filming and on the tram tour fed the fire.

The Universal Studios Tour was open for business Wednesday, with the King Kong and American Tail attractions closed, and reported a heavier- than-usual turnout, spokeswoman Christine Hansen said.

MCA Inc., the parent company of Universal Studios, said that the fire destroyed about 20 percent of the backlot facades. It said the damaged sets would be restored ''promptly,'' but did not elaborate.

It also said, ''MCA believes that the loss is fully covered by fire and business-interruption insurance.''

The fire will probably not have any impact on Matsushita Electric Industrial Co.'s pending buyout of MCA. Such a deal could be worth as much as $8 billion.

MCA has been negotiating a possible deal with the Japanese firm since late September, but both companies have imposed a news blackout on the discussions. Hansen refused to comment Wednesday on whether the fire will have any effect on the deal.

However, entertainment analysts said that the deal probably will still go through.

''The fire is a tragedy that has come at an inopportune moment, but it's our opinion that this is not a deal-breaker,'' said Jeff Logsdon of Seidler Amdec Securities of Los Angeles.

Logsdon noted that the studio's ''core'' assets - its film vaults, the distribution arm and sound stages - were undamaged.

''What was damaged is clearly rebuildable,'' Logsdon said. ''However, the damage from the fire will clearly delay some film and television production, and that is a negative development.''

Dennis McAlpine of Oppenheimer & Co. in New York said that the fire will have only a mild impact, since many of the sets were not in active use anyhow.

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NEW DELHI, INDIA (NOV. 7) UPI - Prime Minister V.P. Singh resigned his National Front coalition government Wednesday after he lost a vote of confidence during a day-long special session of the lower house of Parliament.

Singh submitted his resignation to President R. Venkataraman, thus bringing to an end his 11-month-old government.

''Consequent to the voting ... on the motion of confidence, I and my colleagues in the Council of Ministers hereby tender our resignations so that the process of formation of a new goverment could begin,'' Singh said in the resignation letter.

''I wish to express to you my gratitude and of my council for the consideration and courtesy you have always extended to us.''

Venkataraman was expected to begin the process of forming a new government on Thursday.

The collapse of the government came at the conclusion of a day of lengthy debate and political rhetoric over the leadership of the world's largest democracy.

When it came time for a vote of confidence, 346 members of the 488 legislators voted against the prime minister and his administration.

The Singh government was the first Indian government to be defeated by a Parliament vote.

''We will continue to fight for the principles for which we have sacrificed the government,'' Singh said after his defeat.

Although the future of India's leadership was still in doubt, it appeared that Chandra Shekhar, a dissident leader of Singh's Janata Dal party, might be allowed to form a government with the backing of former prime minister Rajiv Gandhi.

Shekhar and Gandhi met Tuesday and agreed to ''work together.'' Later, a Congress (I) spokesman said the party had decided to support the dissident leader in his efforts to form a government.

After Singh's defeat, Gandhi was asked what steps would be made to set up a new government.

''Please wait until tomorrow,'' Gandhi said, declining to elaborate.

Former deputy prime minister Devi Lal said he was ''delighted'' with Singh's defeat.

Shekhar emerged as the leading contender for the prime ministership on Monday when he and Lal split Singh's Janata Dal into two more or less equal factions.

Singh's political fortunes went into a nosedive Oct. 23 when the Hindu fundamentalist Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) withdrew its crucial support from his coalition government.

The blow came just hours after authorities arrested BJP president L.K. Advani when he failed to heed a government warning to halt a drive, or ''rath yatra '' to relocate a Moslem mosque and begin construction of a Hindu temple to honor an important Hindu god.

The government feared the campaign would spark violence between Hindus and Moslems. The BJP pressed ahead with its plan, storming the complex surrounding the mosque in the northern Uttar Pradesh town of Ayodhya. Clashes between radical Hindus and police in Ayodhya and between members of both religions in six states left more than 200 people dead.

During a speech in Parliament Wednesday, Singh said he did not regret his decision to stop Advani and the temple construction plan.

"We had taken our decision with our eyes open when we stopped the rath yatra," Singh said. ''We staked the government for upholding principles. It is not a question of (the temple movement) alone but of other related issues. The government would have survived if we made a compromise on the (temple) issue."

Singh's coalition government ruled with the unlikely support of the Communist Party of India (Marxist), its left-wing allies and the right-wing BJP.

Support of the BJP was necessary for the survival of the coalition government, although the party was not a member of the coalition.

Hindu radicals claim that the mosque that occupies the Ayodhya site was built by the Moghul emperor Babbar after he destroyed a temple marking the birthplace of Lord Rama, one of the most important gods in the vast Hindu pantheon.

Moslem leaders refute the claim and contend that no temple ever existed at the disputed place.

The Ayodhya dispute has been smoldering since February 1986, when a court agreed to allow Hindus to worship in the mosque. The move led to widespread communal riots in northern India.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 7) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.65 1/2	2.65 3/4	2.64 3/4	2.65 3/4	2.65 1/2
Mar	2.80 3/4	2.80 3/4	2.79 1/2	2.80 1/2	2.80 1/2
May	2.88	2.88 1/2	2.87 1/2	2.88 1/2	2.88 3/4
Jly	2.93 1/2	2.93 1/2	2.92 1/2	2.93 1/4	2.93 3/4
Sep	2.98 1/4	2.98 1/4	2.98 1/4	2.98 1/4	2.98 1/4
Dec	3.09 1/2	3.09 1/2	3.09 1/2	3.09 1/2	3.11
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.30	2.30 1/2	2.29 1/4	2.30 1/4	2.30 1/4
Mar	2.40	2.40 1/2	2.39 1/4	2.40 1/2	2.40
May	2.47	2.47 1/2	2.46	2.47 1/4	2.46 1/2
Jly	2.51 3/4	2.52 3/4	2.51	2.52 3/4	2.51 3/4
Sep	2.51 1/4	2.51 1/2	2.50 1/2	2.51 1/2	2.51
Dec	2.50 3/4	2.51 1/2	2.50	2.51 1/4	2.51 1/2
Mar	2.57	2.57 1/2	2.57	2.57 1/4	2.57 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.19 1/2	1.21	1.19 1/2	1.21	1.20 1/2
Mar	1.30 3/4	1.32 1/4	1.30 3/4	1.32 1/4	1.31 1/4
May	1.37 1/4	1.38 3/4	1.37 1/4	1.38 3/4	1.37 3/4
Jly	1.44 3/4	1.44 3/4	1.44 3/4	1.44 3/4	1.43 3/4
Sep	1.50 3/4	1.50 3/4	1.50 3/4	1.50 3/4	1.49 3/4
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	5.76	5.82 1/2	5.76	5.82	5.75 3/4
Jan	5.92 1/2	5.98 1/2	5.91 1/4	5.97 1/2	5.90 3/4
Mar	6.06 1/2	6.12 1/2	6.05 1/2	6.12	6.06
May	6.21	6.25 1/2	6.19 1/4	6.25	6.20
Jly	6.31 1/2	6.36 1/2	6.30 1/2	6.35 1/2	6.31
Aug	6.33	6.36	6.32 1/2	6.36	6.31 3/4
Sep	6.20	6.22	6.20	6.21	6.20
Nov	6.12	6.16	6.12	6.15 1/2	6.11 3/4
Jan	6.27	6.27	6.26	6.26	6.24
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Dec	21.08	21.14	20.92	21.07	21.10
Jan	21.33	21.41	21.20	21.34	21.38
Mar	21.76	21.85	21.65	21.78	21.85
May	22.20	22.22	22.04	22.17	22.24
Jul	22.50	22.60	22.33	22.45	22.52

Aug	22.55	22.55	22.35	22.42	22.59
Sep	22.55	22.55	22.35	22.42	22.55
Oct	22.45	22.45	22.22	22.27	22.40
Dec	22.40	22.40	22.20	22.30	22.35
Jan	22.30	22.30	22.30	22.30	22.35

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	174.90	177.50	174.90	177.40	174.90
Jan	177.70	180.40	177.70	180.20	177.50
Mar	182.50	184.40	182.50	184.30	182.10
May	185.50	187.20	185.40	187.00	184.80
Jul	188.00	190.00	188.00	190.00	187.80
Aug	190.20	191.00	189.00	191.00	188.70
Sep	189.00	189.00	187.50	189.00	186.50
Oct	185.00	185.00	185.00	185.00	183.20
Dec	184.70	186.50	184.50	186.20	184.70
Jan	187.00	188.00	....	187.50	185.00

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - ''My head is bloody,'' Mayor Marion Barry acknowledged, pausing confidently for the inevitable roar of the crowd. When the cheering subsided, he added, ''but unbowed.''

It was vintage Barry, a performance befitting the high drama of Tuesday night's tragic end of a once brilliant political career.

Trounced at the polls for the first time, the beleaguered mayor of the nation's capital for the past 12 years admitted to his devotees that he had failed in his desperate bid for an at-large seat on the City Council.

There was no joy at this election party in the ballroom of a downtown hotel. There was some ironically upbeat band music but nobody danced.

Barry's head was indeed unbowed as he faced the faithful, deposed in disgrace and facing six months of hard time on a cocaine conviction.

Drug-busted in an FBI sting at a downtown hotel last Jan. 18, the outgoing mayor finally had lost his fight for political survival.

It was an ignominious end to a remarkable career that sprang from a dirt-poor Mississippi childhood.

The son of sharecroppers, Barry became a hero of the civil rights movement before his mayoral tenure in which he presided over a spectacular downtown building boom and expanded services to the poor.

In recent years, the mayor was dogged by rumors of drug use, which he steadfastly denied. His dalliances with women other than his wife outraged his opponents but were met with amused tolerance by many of his supporters.

When his trial ended in August with a conviction for cocaine possession, Barry thought he still could parlay his political skills into a council seat.

That was not to be, so the rejected mayor once more faced the blinding television lights, a loser still flashing a winner's smile.

''Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,'' he said, employing again the words of the hymn he quoted when he faced the voters after his conviction. ''People use those words in a time of triumph, but they're also important in times of trial.''

Alluding to his continuing sobriety, the admitted alcoholic and drug abuser said, ''This is a victory for people who believe in themselves.''

In acknowledging his unbowed head had been bloodied, Barry quoted liberally from the poem ''Invictus'' by William Ernest Henley.

''Out of the night that covers me, black as the pit from pole to pole,'' the mayor intoned, ''I thank whatever gods may be for my unconquerable soul.''

Barry's performance temporarily enlivened a crowd continually apprised by television with the depressing news that their candidate was running a distant and hopeless third.

A longtime Democrat, Barry abandoned his campaign for a fourth term as mayor and switched to independent to make the council race. Many Democratic leaders worked actively against him.

When it all was over, the consummate politician who had fought so hard to retain some of his power abandoned his attempts at drama and eloquence.

Facing six months in prison if his appeal fails, the mayor whose shenanigans had generated headlines throughout the world summed up his feelings with unaccustomed brevity, sighing, ''What a relief.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Gold futures closed Wednesday 20 to 30 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	386.30	....	....	386.30	386.60

Dec	385.80	391.50	385.50	387.90	388.10
Feb	390.00	395.00	389.50	391.80	392.00
Apr	393.20	398.00	393.20	395.40	395.60
Jun	399.70	400.20	399.70	399.30	399.50
Aug	404.00	405.00	403.50	403.00	403.20
Oct	407.00	....	....	407.00	407.20
Dec	411.20	....	....	411.00	411.20
Feb	415.70	....	....	415.40	415.70
Apr	419.90	....	....	419.60	419.90
Jun	424.40	....	....	424.10	424.40
Aug	429.20	....	....	428.90	429.20

Open interest: 116,127 up 554
Estimated sales: 48,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	364.97	216.25	142.14	20.67	311.62
Opening	364.05	216.25	141.73	20.61	310.83
11 a.m.	362.96	215.20	141.21	20.59	309.89
Noon	362.16	214.85	140.95	20.55	309.24
1 p.m.	361.15	214.50	140.78	20.55	308.51
2 p.m.	360.28	214.13	140.31	20.48	307.71
3 p.m.	358.56	213.07	139.83	20.44	306.35

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	380.00	up 3.25
Morning fixing	383.50	up 3.50
Afternoon fixing	385.00	up 5.00
Close	387.25	up 7.25
Paris	385.47	up 3.45
Zurich	387.50	up 8.00
Hong Kong	383.75	up 2.50
New York		
Comex spot close	386.30	off 0.30
Republic cash	386.25	off 0.25

Handy and Harman 385.00 up 5.75

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 386.30 up 5.76 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 405.62 up 6.05 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.287	up 0.03
Republic cash	4.28	up 0.02

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.28 per fine ounce up 0.05

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.29 up 0.06 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.59 up 0.064

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 425.00 off 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 525.00 off 2.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 95.00 unchanged per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 110.00 unchanged.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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(NOV. 7) UPI - The Bush administration is about to lose its second high-ranking official in two months. Administration officials report the formal announcement will say that William Bennett is leaving as the nation's first anti-drug chief. The 41-year-old Bennett has lead the Office of National Drug Policy Control since March of 1989. He joins Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole who announced last month that she would step down November 23rd.

Aides to Minnesota Governor Rudy Perpich tell United Press Intrenational that it appears he is ready to concede defeat in yesterday's elections to challenger Arne Carlson. The latest check of 95 percent of the votes shows Carlson leading by 20-thousand. And Nebraska Secretary of State Allen Beermann says absentee ballots may determine the governor's race there. Democrat Ben Nelson leads Governor Kay Orr by roughly five-thosuand votes with all but two precincts reporting. The nine-tothousand absentee ballots will be counted starting tomorrow.

That should about wrap election news as Democrats claim at least four governorships, including the hotly contested Texas race where Ann Richards beat Republican Clayton Williams. The flip side of the coin finds Republican Senator Pete Wilson winning against former San Franciso Mayor Dianne Feinstein in the California governorship race.

Secretary of State Baker headed to Moscow today on the next leg of a tour of Mideast and European allies. Speaking to reporters in Turkey before departing, Baker said he could NOT rule out the use of the military forces now drawn up against Iraq in the Persian Gulf area. Turkey supports the U-N stand against Iraq and public opinion has undergone a major change in the past weeks. Newspapers now report the average Turkish citizen is uneasy about having Saddam Hussein as a neighbor to the country's southeast, believing he would NOT hestitate to use chemical weapons if it pleased him.

The Food and Drug Administration has banned 223 ingredients in everything from treatments for acne to dandruff in a broad clean-up of over-the-counter drugs it says are ineffective. The F-D-A says it took the action because the companies could give it NO proof that the ingredients in the medications did what they were said to do. The agency said that some of the ingredients had been found to be of use in treating other conditions.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Great news from Rikers Island this harvest season - a bumper crop of fruit and vegetables in the city's prison complex.

The Department of Corrections reported Wednesday the jail's farm program had produced a record crop of 132,000 pounds of tomatoes, eggplant, cucumbers, zucchini, green peppers, lettuce and string beans. The harvest was almost double 1989's crop.

The eight-acre farm on the western edge of the 440-acre island is tilled by nearly 100 prisoners who are paid up to 50 cents an hour.

''The farm program teaches the values of hard work, discipline and cooperation said Harry Bragg, the Correction Department's farm director.

''Many of the inmates have never been involved in an extended team project before, and when they see a tiny seed grow into a large, juicy- red tomatoes, they have a real sense of accomplishment.

''After a few weeks on the farm, they begin talking about 'my' tomatoes and 'my' eggplants. You can see the grin on their faces.''

The fruit and vegetables are distributed to dozens of feeding programs throughout the city, authorities said.

''Fresh produce is always in great demand among the people we service, and the Rikers Island vegetables are top quality,'' said Bret Suval, Executive Director of City Harvest. ''They were a hit wherever we brought them.''

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#90311u1894 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - Vermont voters have made Bernard Sanders the first socialist member of the House in more than 60 years, but the 49-year-old freshman said Wednesday he expects to camp with the Democrats on Capitol Hill.

Sanders, a self-described socialist and former Burlington, Vt., mayor, defeated one-term Republican Rep. Peter Smith to win Vermont's only House seat Tuesday.

The vote will make Sanders only the third socialist to hold a seat in the House, according to associate House historian Bruce Ragsdale, who said Victor Berger of Wisconsin, serving from 1911-13 and 1923-29, was the last socialist elected to Congress.

A Berger contemporary, Meyer London of New York, was also elected as a socialist, serving from 1915-19 and from 1921-23. Some reports also include New York's Vito Marcantonio, who served in the 1940s and '50s, as a socialist, but Ragsdale said the one-time Republican doesn't count.

''Marcantonio was a member of the American Labor Party,'' Ragsdale said. ''Most people would consider him a small 's' socialist.''

Sanders, who ran a campaign that blamed both Democrats and Republicans for botching the federal government and ignoring the needs of all but the wealthy, said Wednesday he'll carry the socialist standard in Washington, ''by raising the issues that the vast majority of members of Congress ... choose not to touch,'' such as national health insurance.

But Congress's only socialist said he expects ''to function within the Democratic caucus'' in the House. ''I have pledged to vote with and to do what other Democrats do,'' Sanders said.

House Speaker Thomas Foley of Washington and other Democratic leaders had earlier indicated Sanders would be welcome in the Democratic fold. Sanders said he has already spoken with ''many of the Democrats'' and Caucus Chairman Steny Hoyer of Maryland about joining the caucus.

Despite his campaign rhetoric against the party, Sanders said he would feel comfortable within its ranks, aligning himself with the more liberal Democrats he admires, including Rep. Ronald Dellums, D-Calif., Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., and Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass.

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#90311u1925 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (NOV. 7) UPI - The shuttle Atlantis was cleared Wednesday

for a blazing nighttime takeoff Nov. 15, six days later than originally planned because of problems with the ship's spy satellite payload, officials said.

While the exact launch time is classified, sources who requested anonymity said Atlantis and its five-man, all-military crew are scheduled to blast off at 6:46 p.m. EST next Thursday and that the flight will last three days, 23 hours and five minutes.

NASA also is readying the shuttle Columbia for launch on a long- delayed astronomy mission. NASA usually requires three weeks between shuttle missions so data from one flight can be studied before the next.

But shuttle program director Robert Crippen said he hopes to reduce that time, setting the stage for an early December takeoff.

On another front, William Lenoir, associate administrator for space flight, said an investigation into a series of nine embarrassing mishaps at the Kennedy Space Center in the past 13 months did not find any ''common threads'' and that in general, the agency was maintaining high standards.

In the most recent incident, a 70-pound, 9-foot-long beam inadvertently left in Atlantis's engine room fell as the ship was hoisted into the vertical launch position.

A panel headed by former astronaut John Young made several recommendations to improve quality at the Florida shuttleport, including improved communications.

''They determined they could not find a pattern to the occurrences, they could not find a common thread that said the training was bad, or the workers were sleepy, or they were overworked, there was no common thread that they could find,'' Lenoir said.

As for Atlantis, whatever was wrong with the ship's classified satellite apparently has been fixed and engineers plan to begin the shuttle's carefully scripted countdown Monday afternoon, leading to a launch attempt three days later.

On board will be Air Force Col. Richard Covey, 44, the commander; Navy Cmdr. Frank Culbertson, 41, the co-pilot; Army Maj. Charles Gemar, 35; Air Force Lt. Col. Carl Meade, 39; and Marine Corps Col. Robert Springer, 48.

NASA had hoped to launch Atlantis Nov. 9, but Air Force mission managers ordered a delay because of problems with the shuttle's satellite cargo.

As usual with such military missions, the exact launch time will not be revealed until nine minutes before blastoff. As it is, NASA will only say liftoff is scheduled between 6:30 p.m. EST and 10:30 p.m. on Nov. 15.

The goal of the flight is classified as well, but Atlantis's crew reportedly plans to deploy a large reconnaissance satellite in low-Earth orbit that could be used to help spy on the Persian Gulf region.

The payload is not equipped with an ''inertial upper stage'' rocket booster, sources told UPI, making it highly unlikely the satellite is an early warning or electronic eavesdropping spy station, which typically operate in orbits 22,300 miles above the equator.

Atlantis originally was scheduled for launch in mid July, but the flight was put on hold when a hydrogen leak was detected during a fueling test June 29. At least two such leaks were blamed for grounding the shuttle Columbia in May and September, but both spaceships have since been repaired.

The space agency hopes to launch Columbia around Dec. 3 - six months behind schedule - to finally kick off a 10-day astronomy mission to study especially violent stars and galaxies.

On board will be commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 47.

Columbia and its payload of four ''Astro 1'' telescopes originally were scheduled for launch May 30, but the flight was grounded when sensors detected explosive hydrogen gas leaking into the ship's engine room.

Engineers found and fixed a leak in a 17-inch-wide hydrogen fuel line connector and, after Atlantis was grounded in July, Columbia was rescheduled for launch. But another leak was detected during two subsequent launch tries and the flight was put on hold indefinitely.

Finally, after replacing two damaged seals and tightening up every fitting and connector that could have contributed to the problem, Columbia passed a fueling test last month without any signs of leakage.

NASA wants to launch Columbia as soon as possible so ground crews will be able to ferry the spaceplane back to the Kennedy Space Center from its California landing site before the Christmas holidays.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $7 higher to $4 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - unchanged to 0.35 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.50 cent higher to 0.75 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.30 to 1.85 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.20 to $0.30 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $12.60 to $13.90 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 2.00 cents to 4.00 cents a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 2.9 to 3 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.010 to 0.024 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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OSHKOSH, WI (NOV. 7) UPI - A woman whose psychiatrist says has 46 personalities testified Wednesday that an Oshkosh man raped her by taking advantage of one of those personalities' unfamiliarity with sex.

The 27-year-old Oshkosh woman told a Winnebago County Circuit Court jury the personality named ''Jennifer'' did not know what was happening to her when she and the man had sex in a car in an Oshkosh park June 11.

Testifying as the personality of Jennifer, described as a fun-loving 20-year-old who likes music and dancing, the woman said, ''I didn't know what he was doing.''

Mark A. Peterson, 29, of Oshkosh, is charged with second-degree sexual assault.

During four hours on the witness stand Wednesday, the third day of the trial, the woman, testifying as ''Jennifer'', said she did not know what sex was.

When asked if ''Jennifer'' and Peterson had sex, ''Jennifer'' responded, ''I don't know. What's sex?''

District Attorney Joseph Paulus asked if she enjoyed the sex act and the woman responded, ''Tell me what sex is and I'll tell you if I enjoyed it.'' After the district attorney explained the sex act, the woman responded, ''I don't know what that means.''

During the testimony, the woman also became ''Franny'', a 32-year-old woman, who testified she had told Peterson before the alleged assault, ''We share the same body.''

Testifying as her primary personality, the woman said she had been in Oshkosh since 1986 and had been taking some medication for her personality problems and had been hospitalized.

She also said she had taken some criminal justice classes and learned some basic procedures about the judicial system and investigation techniques.

Still testifying as the primary personality, she said after the assault she told Peterson, ''I know who you are. I know what you did. Are you aware that while you were raping Jennifer, you were also molesting a 6-year-old child?''

The woman has said while Jennifer was assaulted, ''Emily,'' the personality of a 6-year-old, watched.

On Tuesday the woman's psychiatrist, Lori Warchol of Clinical Services in Oshkosh, testified the woman had 18 distinct personalities at the time of the alleged assault June 11.

Since then, Warchol testified, the woman has shown at least 28 more personalities.

''I've worked with the woman for 2 1/2 years and I know she is not faking,'' Warchol said.

''Some of the personalities are new and some aren't new but were only recently discovered,'' she said.

Peterson has contended that the woman consented to having sex but the prosecution argues he knew of the woman's disorder and seduced a vulnerable personality - ''Jennifer.''

Ruth Reeves, a neighbor and close friend of the woman, testified Tuesday she had told Peterson about the woman's multiple personalities.

''I explained to him that some of her personalities were vulnerable and that she was mentally handicapped. I mentioned mental illness,'' she said.

Paulus then asked her what Peterson said when told of the woman's mental state.

''He said, 'I see,''' Reeves said.

Other personalities described in testimony include:

-''Sam,'' who at one time expressed himself only through noises and crouching

like an animal.

-''John,'' who is very angry.

-''Ginger,'' who likes alcohol and must be careful not to drink and drive.

-''Evan,'' who likes cigarettes.

-''Eleanor,'' a prim and proper woman who speaks eloquently.

-''Leona,'' who has the role of making internal imagery.

-''Frank,'' an avid reader.

-''Beth,'' a personality that emerged after the alleged assault.

-''Kim,'' a personality that also emerged after the incident but is more upbeat than Beth.

-''Brian,'' a bodybuilder who protects the whole group. This personality also emerged after the alleged assault.

Inam Haque, another psychiatrist who has treated the woman, earlier told the jury the woman is not capable of judging her actions. Haque says the woman was traumatized when she saw her father crushed while he was working under a car.

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#90311u1938 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 7) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Sharply lower in moderate trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Sharply lower in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in thin trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Slightly lower.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1 to off 1/4, soybeans up 1 to 6 3/4, wheat up 1/4 to off 1 1/2 and oats up 1 cent in every contract.

Cattle trade - Hardly enough slaughter steers or heifers on offer to establish a market.

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#90311u1960 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - A Georgia man convicted 18 years ago of possessing a pipe bomb was charged Wednesday in a 70-count indictment with making the mail bombs that killed a federal judge and a lawyer last year.

Attorney General Dick Thornburg announced that the charges against Walter Leroy Moody Jr. include murder, assault, transporting and mailing explosive devices and mailing threatening letters. If convicted on all counts, Moody faces seven life terms plus 110 years in prison and $3.7 million in fines.

''Tracking down the person responsible for these terrible murders, and other acts of violence and threatened violence, has been a top priority of the Department of Justice for the past 11 months,'' Thornburgh said at a Washington news conference to announce the indictment.

FBI Director William Sessions said several agencies cooperated in the case and it consumed more than 140,000 man-hours.

In an affidavit made public last week, federal agents said Moody was a chief suspect in the 1989 bombings because the devices resembled a bomb he made in 1972 that exploded, injuring his wife. Moody has been in federal prison on unrelated charges since July.

Moody, 56, of Rex, Ga., was described as someone bent on revenge against lawyers and the court system for his 1972 bomb conviction, although there has been widespread speculation that the bombings were racially motivated.

Judge Robert S. Vance, 58, of the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals died Dec. 16 after opening a powerful package bomb at his home in Mountain Brook, Ala. Robert Robinson, a 41-year-old alderman and lawyer who was active in the NAACP, died two days later when he opened a letter bomb at his Savannah, Ga., office.

Two other bombs mailed to the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta were disarmed, but the incidents struck fear in the heart of Dixie that a mad bomber was on the loose.

The search warrant affidavit, obtained by government investigators in February and made public last week, found striking similarities between the bomb Moody had in 1972 and devices that killed Vance and Robinson.

The affidavit concluded the bombs were the only ones among 10,000 examined by federal agents since 1975 that resemble each other. The common element was the use of ''square end plates with threaded rods extending from plate to plate within the pipe and secured with nuts,'' the warrant said.

The construction is ''unique to the explosive device'' Moody was convicted of having in 1972 and ''three of the four explosive devices received through the United States mail in 1989,'' wrote federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agent Frank P. Lee.

Vance and Robinson were struck by a barrage of 8-penny nails packed in the bombs.

Wednesday's indictment also charges Moody with sending threatening letters to federal judges in Georgia, Alabama and Florida.

On suggestions that the bombings were racially motivated, Thornburgh said: ''That's not discussed in the indictment and I think it would be inappropriate at this time to comment on the matter.''

However, the indictment does charge that Moody with mailing a threatening letter to the Atlanta office of the NAACP, and for sending a letter to an Atlanta television station shortly after the bombings saying: ''Two more prominent members of the NAACP shall be assassinated, using more sophisticated means, as part of the same reprisal.''

In addition, the indictment charges that Moody mailed a tear gas bomb to the Atlanta NAACP office on Aug. 20.

Moody, 56, and his wife, Susan, 28, were arrested at their home in July and charged in a separate 13-count indictment with perjury, obstruction of justice, obstruction of a criminal investigation, witness tampering and trying to bribe witnesses in his efforts to overturn the 1972 pipe bomb conviction.

Federal agents said it was Moody's anger over his 1972 conviction that prompted the bombings last year. Atlanta lawyer Michael Ford, who represented Moody in his bomb-possession appeal before the 11th Circuit, worked for the same law firm as Robinson from 1977 to 1979, although in a different office.

Noting that Moody appealed his 1972 conviction all the way to the Supreme Court, the affidavit says his efforts ''reflect an individual obsessed with a legal dispute involving the courts, judges, the 11th Circuit and a claim of ineffectiveness of trial counsel.''

In the 1972 case, federal prosecutors said Moody planned to send the bomb and an extortion note demanding $65,000 to an Atlanta car dealer who had repossessed his car. The bomb exploded when Moody's first wife, Hazel, accidentally opened the package at their home in suburban Macon.

Moody, who calls himself a ''literary consultant,'' served three years in prison for his 1972 conviction, and filed repeated appeals in that case, including one that went to the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta.

A federal judge ordered Moody be held without bond, although his wife was freed on $250,000 bond. Since then, Moody's wife has filed for divorce, and asked for a separate trial, saying her defense will be antagonistic to Moody's.

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#90311u1966 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1034.1
Tuesday	1031.7
Week ago	1025.5
Month ago	1085.0
Year ago	1087.7
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1025.5

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#90311u1986 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.91

60 to 89 days 7.97

90 to 119 days 7.78

120 to 149 days 7.70

150 to 179 days 7.65

180 to 270 days 7.57

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.875 - 7.70

Issuers 30 days 7.83

Issuers 90 days 7.84

Issuers 270 days 7.47

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.97

60 to 89 days 8.11

90 to 119 days 8.03

120 to 149 days 7.99

150 to 179 days 7.99

180 days 7.99

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.75 - 7.875

1 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

3 month 8.00 - 8.125

6 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

Year 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.09 - 7.07

6 months 7.05 - 7.03

Year 6.98 - 6.96

Federal Funds: High 7 11-16, Low 7 11-16, Close 7 11-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7.692 off 0.015.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90311u1992 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (NOV. 7) UPI - South African black leader Nelson Mandela met with President Francois Mitterrand Wednesday and lambasted what he called the hypocrisy of Western nations who send armies to contain Iraq but remain silent about U.S. invasions and Israeli policy.

''The United Nations have enunciated very good principles,'' the African National Congress leader told reporters after meeting the Socialist leader at the Elysee Palace.

''But I do not accept the hypocrisy of the West. The fact that we are not in accord with Saddam Hussein does not justify the West sending armies into the gulf,'' he continued.

''When Reagan attacked Grenada, the West remained silent. When they invaded Panama, the West was silent.

''Israel assassinates innocent defenseless Arabs in the occupied territories and there is no protest from the West,'' said Mandela.

Mandela said he believed Iraq was being discriminated against in its invasion of Kuwait because it was a ''black'' country, meaning part of the Third World.

''Because it is a case now of Iraq, a black country, the West screams and sends armies to the gulf. There is no reason to continue with this hypocrisy.''

Mandela seemed to spare Mitterrand from his tirade, even though he has sent thousands of French troops to the gulf. He said the French president was ''one of the greatest friends of the oppressed South African people.''

The meeting at the Elysee was ''cordial,'' and the two discussed the situation in Africa in general and in particular the problems of reintegration into South African society of militants who are released from jail or return from exile.

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#90311u2014 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 7) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Arden Group Inc (3rd Q 9-30)	
$83,000,000	$86,000,000
$2,901,000 (1.77)	a-$3,261,000 (1.99)

a-Includes pretax gain on sale of property of $1,593,000 for the third quarter of 1989 and $784,000 and $3,573,000 in the 1990 and 1989 nine months periods, respectively.

Bond International Gold (3rd Q 9-30)	
$73,031,000	$54,424,000
d-$5,602,000	d-$1,961,000

d-Deficit

Commercial Fedl Corp (1st Q 9-30)	
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d-$3,500,000	a-$7,900,000 (1.09)

a-Includes one-time gain of $17.7 million from the sale of the company's credit card portfolio.

d-Deficit

Esquire Radio & Elec (3rd Q 9-30)	
$18,798,000	$12,566,000
$523,000 (1.08)	$425,000 (.88)
Flagship Financial (3rd Q 9-30)	
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d-$4,077,000	$1,461,000 (.42)

d-Deficit

Jacobs Engineering Grp (4th Q 9-30)	
$230,301,000	$208,933,000
$4,025,000 (.35)	$3,158,000 (.29)
K N Energy Inc (3rd Q 9-30)	
$78,715,000	$73,329,000
$1,373,000 (.10)	$1,055,000 (.07)
Lancaster Colony Corp (1st Q 9-30)	
$128,775,000	$127,200,000
$5,545,000 (.48)	$5,924,000 (.50)
Liqui-Box Corp (3rd Q 9-29)	
$33,447,000	$30,712,000
$3,188,000 (1.44)	$2,863,000 (1.20)

Luxottica Group (3rd Q 9-30)
$70,273,000 $61,300,000
$8,103,000 (.36) $8,700,000 (.64)

Masco Industries Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$381,650,000 $390,190,000
a $660,000 (.01) b-$6,690,000 (.20)
a-Includes unrealized losses of $10.6 million, or 14 cents a share, related to the company's marketable securities portfolio.
b-Early extinguishment of convertible debt securities.

Northwestern Public Srvc (3rd Q 9-30)
$22,692,209 $23,283,928
$5,177,644 (.67) $2,673,303 (.35)

OMI Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$59,583,000 $52,807,000
$3,156,000 (.10) a-$7,176,000 (.26)
a-Includes gains from vessel sales of $5,233, 000 in the third quarter and $6,480,000 in the nine months.

Penn Engineering & Mfg (3rd Q 9-30)
$17,486,665 $16,336,825
$1,229,492 (.71) $355,907 (.21)

Philadelphia Suburban (3rd Q 9-30)
$26,011,000 $25,031,000
d-$949,000 $2,658,000 (.35)
d-Deficit

Playboy Enterprises Inc (1st Q 9-30)
$42,056,000 $39,295,000
$795,000 (.04) b-$4,954,000 (.26)
b-Includes a pretax gain of $4.8 million on the sale of assets.

Plum Creek Timber Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$89,205,000 $103,166,000
$1,286,000 (.05) $8,006,000 (.50)

Rockwell Intl Corp (4th Q 9-30)
$3,217,000,000 $3,275,000,000
$133,900,000 (.56) $126,100,000 (.50)

Shopsmith Inc (2nd Q 9-30)
$9,632,000 $10,159,000
d-$443,000 d-$162,000
d-Deficit

Southern Indiana G&E (3rd Q 9-30)
$79,679,264 $75,021,271
$12,909,187 (1.05) $12,640,552 (.99)

Syms Corp (3rd Q 9-29)
$72,386,000 $65,896,000
a-$3,717,000 (.21) b-$3,708,000 (.21)
a-Includes gain of $703,000, or 4 cents a share, from sale of lease right.
b-Includes gain of $862,000, or 5 cents, from sale of subsidiaries.

Tyco Laboratories (1st Q 9-30)
$741,242,000 $512,597,000
$34,989,000 (.79) $27,693,000 (.68)

UDC-Universal Development (3rd Q 9-30)
$82,166,000 $98,938,000
$5,279,000 (.21) $11,638,000 (1.05)

Washington Natl Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
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d-$2,731,000 $4,388,000 (.40)
d-Deficit

Wesco Financial Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
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$6,163,000 (.86) $9,087,000 (1.28)

Westair Holding (3rd Q 9-30)
$67,903,000 $49,349,000
d-$1,346,000 (.21) $1,470,000 (.20)

d-Deficit

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#90311u2015 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 7) UPI - William Bennett is resigning as the nation's first anti-drug chief. The White House confirms that he plans to step down and says President Bush will formally accept Bennett's resignation tomorrow. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater also says a search is under way for a new director of the Office of Nationial Drug Policy Control. Fitzwater says there's been ''a turnaround'' in the nation's drug problem during Bennett's 20-month reign.

Results from yesterday's nationwide elections are still coming in as Minnesota Democratic Governor Rudy Perpich concedes defeat to Independent-Republican challenger Arne Carlson. Democrat Ben Nelson may have won the governor's job in Nebraska, depending on the count of about 10-thousand absentee ballots

tomorrow. Nelson leads Republican Governor Kay Orr by some five-thousand votes with all but one precinct reporting.

A 10-day conference of 105 nations on the dangers of global warming has ended in Geneva. But NOthing was done. Instead, the governments recognized that there was a problem but they put off any possible action until they hold another meeting now set for 1992. Scientific reports given during this session indicate that current warming trends will make the next century the hottest for the planet in the past 100-thousand years.

In Jerusalem, security was heavy today for the funeral of ultra right-wing Rabbi Meir Kahane. There were still reports of scattered clashes, despite warnings by authorities that violence would NOT be tolerated during the funeral. Angry mourners stabbed an Arab, attacked two policemen, and stoned journalists covering the funeral and Arab drivers throughout the city. Kahane's body was flown to Israel from New York, where the extremist leader was shot and killed Monday night.

Miami authorities arrested the head of the secretive black Yahweh religious cult and several members early today on murder charges. U-S Attorney Dexter Lehtinen says the cult allegedly plotted to commit random murders as a rite of initiation into an ultra secret group within the Yahwehs called the ''Brotherhood.'' Leader Yahweh Ben Yahweh, also known as Hulon Mitchell Junior was arrested in New Orleans. He and cult members are charged in a three-count federal indictment with 18 acts of racketeering, including 14 murders, two attempted murders, arson and extortion.

The art world's boom of last year may have gone bust this year. The first big auction was held in New York at Sotheby's Gallery on Monday and officials now report that half of the contemporary items offered for sale actually were sold. The results produce sales of just under 20- Million dollars, well below the 40-Million to 52-Million dollars that had been expected.

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#90311u2023 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2440.84	off	44.31	833.03	off	11.09	209.07	off	4.02
Tuesday	2485.15	off	11.39	844.12	off	6.47	213.09	off	1.57
Week ago	2442.33	off	5.69	822.30	off	2.77	213.28	up	2.33
Month ago	2407.92	off	37.62	835.43	off	5.92	203.60	off	1.07
Year ago	2623.36	up	26.23	1199.15	up	10.85	220.95	up	1.32
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		

1989 High	2791.41	1532.01	235.98
1989 Low	2144.64	887.94	181.84

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#90311u2029 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2440.84	off 44.31
20 Trans	833.03	off 11.09
15 Utils	209.07	off 4.02
65 Stocks	861.80	off 14.76

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#90311u2042 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 11,100,000 shares

1990 to date - 2,928,074,015

Bonds - $2,010,000

1990 to date - $629,443,000

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#90311u2043 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 30 to 185 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	73.00	73.83	72.95	73.67	71.83
Mar	73.00	74.20	73.00	74.18	72.33
May	73.60	74.90	73.55	74.71	72.92
Jly	73.65	75.00	73.65	74.75	73.01
Oct	67.50	67.50	67.50	67.68	67.20
Dec	65.36	65.80	65.36	65.58	65.25
Mar	66.25	66.25	66.25	66.45	66.15

Estimated sales: 9,000 contracts

Open interest: 46,254 off 1,394

The World spot average: unavailable

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#90311u2047 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Wednesday - $37,710,000

1990 to date - $9,489,501,000

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MOSCOW (NOV. 7) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev used the Revolution Day holiday Wednesday to deplore the country's totalitarian legacy and declare that human rights must be the highest value of society.

Gorbachev, in an address before the annual Nov. 7 military parade at Red Square, also said his perestroika reforms have moved the Soviet Union away from the darkest chapters of its past, but he acknowledged that the ''renewal process turned out to be much more painful and dramatic than expected.''

Despite his criticism, Gorbachev said he remains faithful to the ideals of Vladimir Lenin, leader of the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution and Soviet state founder, which he insisted are still inspiring after five decades of distortion.

''We all now stand a real chance to transform our society into a normal, healthy, just and ultimately prosperous society through the second great revolution,'' Gorbachev said.

The 59-year-old Soviet leader remembered the millions of people who suffered under the regime of terror built by dictator Josef Stalin and perpetuated by his successors.

''Today we also recall those compatriots who had their honor, dignity and life itself stripped from them without any guilt on their part,'' Gorbachev said. ''This terrible lesson should serve as an eternal reminder: A righteous goal cannot be attained by unfair means.

''Human rights and respect for human dignity must be recognized as the highest value in society.''

Under his leadership, Gorbachev said, the Soviet Union has taken ''a radical turn toward government by the people, economic freedom, a state committed to the rule of law and a civil society.''

He cited freedom of thought and the active involvement of people in new political processes as a major achievement of his 5 1/2 years as Soviet leader.

At the same time, Gorbachev acknowledged the depth of the country's economic crisis and the gravity of other problems facing him.

''All of us are seriously concerned by the unsettled nature of life - the scarcity of goods, long lines, high prices, and the slackening of law and order,'' he said. ''Ethnic discord also causes anguish. But one should not panic, still less call for a reversion to the old ways.''

Gorbachev, sounding a familiar theme of national unity, said the Soviet people ''do not want for industriousness and talent'' and live in a land of great natural resources that will be tapped as the country moves toward a market economy.

''At the hour of trial, every true patriot must discard everything petty and extraneous and realize his or her responsibility for the motherland,'' he said.

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#90311u2064 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks	-	149,130,000 shares
1990 to date	-	34,172,791,712
Warrants	-	916,700
1990 to date	-	219,086,600

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#90311u2069 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 292.15, low 289.15, close 289.74, off 2.41.

There was a loss of 8 cents in the average share price.

Volume 11,100,000 shares, compared with 9, 140,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	6
New Lows	51
Advances	198
Declines	329
Unchanged	237
Total Issues	764

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#90311u2073 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 7) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Wednesday	-	8,030,000
1990 to date	-	2,140,560,000

The market closed sharply lower.

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#90311u2090 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Despite their anger over gasoline shortages and

rising prices, Americans were generally unconcerned about energy even during the height of the Persian Gulf oil crisis, a nationwide survey indicated Wednesday.

A nationwide poll of 3,600 conducted in the days immediately following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait found that energy ranked ninth among issues Americans considered most important.

The survey by New York management consultant Booz Allen & Hamilton Inc. showed that only 11.9 percent placed energy among the three most- important issues. Only 1.4 percent considered it the issue of highest importance.

''In the heat of the Persian Gulf crisis in August and early September that energy was so far down the list - I guess that was my biggest surprise,'' said Bruce Pasternack, Booz Allen senior vice president, at a news conference.

The survey found that 47 percent of the population believes the United States now has the technical capability to run automobiles economically on electricity instead of gasoline.

Education, crime, health costs, environment, the deficit, substance abuse, health and defense ranked ahead of energy, the survey found.

''The real message here is one that the government should recognize that there is no national consensus on energy. It's time to get on with recognizing that and therefore stop the dream of a national energy policy to be embraced by all because it isn't going to happen in the 1990s,'' Pasternack said.

The survey found attitudes toward energy generally followed those indicated in less-comprehensive studies of three and four years ago, he said.

Even though energy in general was far down the list, three-quarters of those surveyed were concerned about gasoline shortages, the executive said.

Two-thirds of those surveyed also thought the nuclear industry was harmful to the environment, he said.

Pasternack concluded from the survey that ''there is a substantial gap between public perception and energy realities (and) the public really doesn't want to pay for energy security.''

''Almost 40 percent said they don't trust the oil industry at all and three-quarters of the people filled out either 'not at all' or the next degradation of that,'' he said, and ''1 percent of the people said they trust the oil industry a lot.''

The study concluded, ''The oil industry's PR efforts are not improving its image.''

About half of those in the survey would agree to a 5 cent-a-gallon tax on gasoline to reduce oil imports or to protect the environment. The percentage slipped to 16 percent agreement when the tax was raised to 10 cents a gallon.

The new Clean Air Act recently approved by Congress raises the tax 5 cents. A draft bill approved earlier by White House and congressional negotiators had proposed a 12 cent a gallon tax.

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#90311u2092 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 7) UPI - Four scientists conducted a one-day inquiry Wednesday into controversial claims by chemists at the University of Utah that they produced nuclear fusion in a simple tabletop experiment.

The inquiry was requested by state lawmakers, who appropriated $5 million to establish the National Cold Fusion Institute at the university to investigate the claims.

Electrochemists Stanley Pons of the University of Utah and Martin Fleischmann of England's Southampton University claimed in March 1989 that they had produced nuclear fusion at room temperature. The claim raised hopes that the reaction could provide an inexpensive, safe source of energy.

But the claims have largely been discounted by the scientific community because most other scientists have been unable to duplicate their findings, although some researchers continue to produce results they cannot explain.

One member of the review panel, chemist Stanley Bruckenstein of the State University of New York, said the team would ''do the best we can in one day. We'll give it our best effort and go from there.''

Bruckenstein was joined by Dale Stein, president of Michigan Technological University, Robert Kemp Adair, a physics professor at Yale University, and Loren Hepler, a professor of chemistry and chemical engineering at the University of Alberta in Canada.

Stein, a member of an Energy Department team which recommend against special funding for cold fusion research, pledged complete objectivity. He said panel would not release findings until they were given to the university on Dec. 15.

Pons, who has been spending much of the summer and fall in Europe, returned to Utah for the review and Thursday's meeting of the Utah Energy-Fusion Advisory Council, which is monitoring the state funding for the fusion research.

In announcing Pons's involvement with the review, institute director Fritz Will would not discuss the future of the elusive chemist, who has withdrawn

his son from a Utah public school, put his Salt Lake City house up for sale and asked his department chairman for a year's leave. He still owns a condominium in the Park City resort community.

Pons' recent actions and reluctance to share findings angered the state advisory committee, which demanded he attend Thursday's meeting. The university said Pons would attend.

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#90311u2096 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	289.74	off 2.41
High Technology	289.92	off 3.28
Capital Goods	304.24	off 1.50
Consumer Goods	362.29	off 0.24
Service	630.19	off 3.64
Retail	883.47	off 24.58
Financial	345.11	up 1.22
Natural Resources	221.86	off 2.85
Housing-Const-Land	218.47	off 3.20

There was a loss of 8 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	370.74	off 2.47
Mid Atlantic	382.91	off 1.15
No Central	370.25	off 4.89
So Atlantic	793.57	up 4.80
So Central	291.87	off 1.37
Mountain	105.09	off 2.04
Pacific	321.16	off 3.76
Foreign	218.91	off 3.10

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austral	.000192	.000192	5208.00	5208.00
Australia dlr	.7784	.7875	1.2847	1.2698
Austria schill	.0961	.0958	10.41	10.44
Belgium franc-c	.0328	.0327	30.53	30.55
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26

Brazil cruzado	.0090	.0092	110.58	108.64
Britain pound	1.9730	1.9660	.5068	.5086
Britain 1-mo	1.9629	1.9561	.5095	.5112
Britain 3-mo	1.9451	1.9391	.5141	.5157
Britain 6-mo	1.9260	1.9192	.5192	.5211
Canada dollar	.8606	.8610	1.1620	1.1615
Canada 1-mo	.8588	.8579	1.1644	1.1656
Canada 3-mo	.8532	.8520	1.1720	1.1737
Canada 6-mo	.8446	.8446	1.1840	1.1840
Chile peso-f	.003274	.003314	305.42	301.77
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001875	.001876	533.34	532.98
Denmark krne	.1765	.1758	5.6650	5.6870
Ecudr sucre-z	.001184	.001182	844.35	846.30
Egypt pound	.3640	.3640	2.7474	2.7474
Finlnd mrkka	.2815	.2815	3.5520	3.5520
France franc	.2015	.2008	4.9620	4.9800
France 1-mo	.2012	.2005	4.9697	4.9877
France 3-mo	.2005	.1998	4.9864	5.0038
France 6-mo	.1995	.1988	5.0117	5.0300
Greece drach	.006667	.006665	149.99	150.03
Hollnd guildr	.5984	.5947	1.6711	1.6816
HongKong dlr	.1283	.1283	7.7965	7.7950
India rupee	.0557	.0556	17.95	17.98
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000539	1855.00	1855.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.8075	1.7960	0.5533	0.5568
Israel shekel	.5051	.5081	1.9800	1.9680
Italy lira	.000898	.000893	1113.75	1120.25
Japan yen	.007813	.007813	128.00	128.00
Japan 1-mo	.007819	.007813	127.90	127.99
Japan 3-mo	.007843	.007814	127.50	127.98
Japan 6-mo	.007949	.007918	125.80	126.30
Jordan dinar	1.5603	1.5603	.6409	.6409
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000344	.000344	2907.00	2907.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6130	.6124	1.6313	1.6329
Norway krne	.1730	.1726	5.7800	5.7950
Pakistn rupee	.0462	.0462	21.64	21.64
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	428,475	428,475
P'pnes peso-z	.0367	.0367	27.22	27.22
Portugl escud	.007696	.007679	129.93	130.22
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5881	.5870	1.7005	1.7035
S.Africa rand	.3977	.3973	2.5147	2.5172
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50

Spain peseta	.010741	.010735	93.10	93.15
Sweden krona	.1808	.1803	5.5300	5.5470
Switzrl franc	.8058	.8013	1.2410	1.2480
Switzrl 1-mo	.8056	.8010	1.2413	1.2484
Swirzrl 3-mo	.8048	.8004	1.2426	1.2494
Switzrl 6-mo	.8041	.7994	1.2436	1.2509
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0374	26.76	26.76
Turkey lira	.000367	.000367	2728.00	2728.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0203	.0204	49.20	49.00
Germany mark	.6750	.6702	1.4815	1.4920
Germany 1-mo	.6749	.6701	1.4818	1.4924
Germany 3-mo	.6738	.6690	1.4841	1.4947
Germany 6-mo	.6720	.6673	1.4880	1.4986
Yugosl dinar	.0982	.0979	10.18	10.21

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	221.80	223.00	219.30	219.35	221.80
Mar	225.10	225.10	221.80	221.80	223.95
Jun	....	....	....	224.10	226.25

Previous day volume: 76 contracts.
Open interest: 1,235 off 11

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	312.10	312.75	306.80	307.25	311.80
Mar	314.65	315.25	309.30	309.75	314.35
Jun	317.50	318.00	312.20	312.65	317.35
Sep	....	320.60	315.50	315.35	320.25

Today's estimated volume: 51,163 contracts.
Open interest: 157,049 up 659
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	170.00	170.40	167.25	167.50	169.85

Mar	171.40	171.60	168.85	168.70	171.05
Jun	172.50	172.50	171.00	169.95	172.30

Open interest: 5,485 up 178

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	522.00	523.25	512.75	513.40	522.30
Dec	524.00	525.00	515.40	515.40	524.45
Jan	522.55	522.55	517.50	517.50	526.45

Estimated volume 4,513 contracts.

Open interest: 7,877 up 211

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.32	off 0.04
10 Public Utils	91.46	off 0.09
10 Industrials	87.18	unchanged

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	62,534,612	33 1/4	off 1/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	55,408,464	63 3/4	off 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	48,941,336	34 1/2	off 1 5/8
Wholesale Club	(WHLS)	43,852,976	19 3/4	unch
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	42,648,172	48	off 3/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	35,183,788	30 1/8	off 1 1/4
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	26,741,944	34 5/8	off 2
Tele Commun A	(TCOMA)	25,636,514	10 1/4	off 1/8
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	21,864,604	17 5/8	off 3/4
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	19,217,238	21 7/8	off 1 3/4

Composite Index 147.86 off 1.67

NMS volume 84,807,200 shares.

Advances	554
Declines	880
Unchanged	1,357
Total	2,791

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	336.80	off	3.73	329.84	454.05
Industrial	359.18	off	4.77	352.63	439.66
Finance	333.67	off	2.09	325.08	531.17
Insurance	404.05	up	1.27	382.54	544.30
Utility	455.97	off	6.85	447.57	726.25
Bank	241.06	off	0.11	236.72	432.86
Transport	378.90	off	3.84	378.12	477.43

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 147.86 off 1.67
Industrial Index 142.37 off 1.94
NASDAQ-100 Index 354.16 off 6.36

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 354.16 off 6.36.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 7) UPI - Defense giant Northrop Corp., responding to cuts in defense spending, said Wednesday it will close its plant in Newbury Park in Ventura County, Calif. by the end of next year, resulting in the loss of about 800 jobs.

The plant, part of Northrop's Aircraft division, works on missiles such as the new Tacit Rainbow and targets such as "drone" aircraft used for gunnery training by the military.

Aerospace analyst Lawrence Harris of Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards in Los Angeles said the closure of the facility was not a surprise, given that Northrop has been cutting operations for the past 18 months. "Northrop is continuing the same trend of adjusting to lower defense spending and improving its return on investment," Harris said.

Kent Kresa, Northrop's chairman, president and chief executive officer, said, "We are making Northrop a new kind of company for the new business environment we have ahead of us."

Work at the 28-year-old plant, located in suburban Ventura County about 45 miles northwest of downtown Los Angeles, will be transferred to Northrop plants in two other Los Angeles suburbs: Hawthorne and Pico Rivera.

Northrop said it would concentrate management and operations of its missiles and unmanned vehicles segment at the Aircraft Division facility in Hawthorne. Northrop also said it will sell the 670,000-square-foot Newbury Park facility. Harris said that the 100 acres of land at the plant are worth about $40 million to $45 million and the buildings are worth about $60 million.

Northrop said the missiles and unmanned vehicles part of its business is expected to generate about $500 million of revenue this year, slightly less than ten percent of its total revenue. In the third quarter, its operating profit was $5.2 million on sales of $99.7 million.

Harris said the unit has been performing at improved levels in recent quarters but added that there may be some problems with its Tacit Rainbow missile, which is being developed to attack enemy radar systems.

Northrop also announced that it is reorganizing its three electronics operations into a single Electronics and Avionics division, headquartered at its Defense Systems plant in Rolling Meadows, Ill.

The reorganization also involves its Precision Products plant in Norwood, Mass., its Electronic Systems plant in Hawthorne, Calif., and two small facilities in Warner-Robins, Ga., and New Town, N.D. Northrop said that the move will not have any significant impact on employment.

Precision Products has been suspended from conducting normal business with the Defense Department for more than a year in the wake of charges that it falsified tests on the cruise missile and the Navy's Harrier jet. Harris said that the unit is continuing work on its backlog, but it is not able to operate profitably with the suspension. Northrop spokesman Tony Cantafio said the company is trying get the suspension lifted.

Kresa said that the two moves announced Wednesday are being made to develop "coordinated centers of technical excellence, rather than emphasizing semi-autonomous profit centers as we have in the past."

Aerospace analyst Paul Nisbet of Prudential-Bache Securities in New York said that the changes make logistical sense for Northrop. "These moves make the company better able to compete when they need to use a multi-disciplinary approach," Nisbet said.

The new Electronics and Avionics unit will be headed by Wallace C. Solberg, who has been vice president and general manager of Northrop's Defense Systems Division since 1974.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - Democrats claimed two out of three key governorships in the 1990 elections, but Republicans scored impressive late victories in several Midwest industrial states, final poll results showed Wednesday.

While the numerical shift is expected to be slight, Democrats enhanced their prospects for 1992 with victories in Texas and Florida, two states that are expected to gain seven congressional seats after reapportionment.

Meanwhile, the GOP retained control over California's governorship, with a narrow victory by Republican Sen. Pete Wilson over former San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein. California could gain seven congressional seats after the census figures are tabulated.

Among tight races too close to call Tuesday night, incumbent Gov. James Blanchard, D-Mich., was narrowly defeated by Republican challenger John Engler.

In Nebraska, Democrat Ben Nelson appeared to edge out incumbent Republican Gov. Kay Orr, who has not yet conceded defeat.

The GOP scored late gubernatorial victories in Illinois, where a Republican was stepping down, and Minnesota, which was held by a Democrat.

Arne Carlson's gubernatorial victory over incumbent Gov. Rudy Perpich of Minnesota was particularly stunning because the GOP candidate entered the race only 10 days ago, after the sudden withdrawal of Jon Gunseth, following allegations of sexual misconduct.

But Carlson's surprise victory was of no help to Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, R-Minn., who was defeated by Democrat Paul Wellstone, a Carleton College professor. Boschwitz's defeat enabled the Democrats to pick up one Senate seat. They now hold a majority of 56-44.

In the House, Democrats gained eight congressional seats, for a total of 268 and 167 for Republicans. A ninth seat went to socialist Bernard Sanders of Vermont, who ran as an independent but is only the third socialist to sit in Congress.

Leaders of both parties spent Wednesday trying to put the best face on defeats and assessing what if any damage GOP losses would have on President Bush's 1992 re-election prospects.

''I think George Bush is extremely well prepared for 1992,'' said a tired Edward Rollins, co-chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee. ''I don't think anything that happened yesterday matters,'' he said.

Predictably, Ron Brown, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, thought otherwise.

''Reaganomics is dead. I think George Bush is clearly vulnerable in 1992,'' Brown said.

Charles Black, acting GOP national chairman, said the Republicans ''defied history'' by losing fewer seats than most presidential parties do in off-year elections.

He said his party was well positioned for the congressional redistricting battle that will come in the next two years by winning governor's chairs in the Midwest and holding on in California and keeping control of the New York Senate.

John Breaux, chairman of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, said, ''I think that if there was an anti-incumbent sentiment it was played out against George Bush.''

''Where he campaigned the hardest - in Florida, in Texas - his candidates lost '' Brown said.

Indeed, despite Rollins' assertion that ''a president is not able to transfer his popularity to another candidate,'' Bush tried and apparently failed.

Bush made more trips to Florida and Texas to campaign for Republicans than any other states, with the exception of California.

Texas State Treasurer Ann Richards became the second woman governor in Texas history by defeating Republican Clayton Williams for the seat being vacated by a Republican in one of the bitterest gubernatorial races in the country.

In Florida, former Sen. Lawton Chiles came from behind to defeat Republican Gov. Bob Martinez.

While narrow victory margins were recorded throughout the nation, the Arizona gubernatorial race featured the closest contest that will require a runoff election.

Republican Fife Symington captured barely 50 percent of the vote against Democrat Terry Goddard, who gained 49 percent. The balance went to write-in candidates. But Arizona state law requires candidates to capture at least 51 percent of the electoral vote to win.

In Massachusetts, Republican moderate William Weld, a former Justice Department official, defeated the ascerbic Democrat John Silber for the seat held by outgoing Gov. Michael Dukakis, the 1988 Democratic presidential candidate.

Kansas featured one of the most surprising races in the nation, where Democrat Joan Finney defeated incumbent Republican Mike Hayden by a 54- 46 percent margin.

In Rhode Island, Democrat Bruce Sundlun beat Rhode Island Gov. Edward DiPrete. Republican George Voinovich snagged the open Democratic governorship in Ohio.

In Oregon, Mark Hatfield, one of the last GOP liberals in the Senate who was considered vulnerable in the final days of the campaign, defeated Democrat Harry Lonsdale.

The last polling places to close were in Hawaii, where Democratic Sen. Daniel Akaka, named to the post after the death of Democratic Sen. Spark Matsunaga, defeated Republican Rep. Patricia Saiki.

In one of the closest watched races in the nation, arch-conservative Republican Sen. Jesse Helms won a fourth term in North Carolina, defeating former Charlotte Mayor Harvey Gantt.

Democrats were nearly shell-shocked over the near defeat of Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., who was expected to coast to a third term victory. Bradley faced a surprisingly stiff challenge from Republican Christine Todd Whitman.

And in New York, Gov. Mario Cuomo, considered invincible, captured only 53 percent of the vote. Republican Pierre Rinfret won only 22 percent of the vote but disenchanted Republicans apparently threw their support behind Herbert London, an independent candidate who won 21 percent of the vote.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - The White House says yesterday's vote ''looks like a pretty standard off-year election that has something in it for everybody.'' Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater does admit that Republican losses in the House and Senate will make it ''harder to work with the Congress,'' but WON'T prevent Bush from using his veto power.

In races for governors mansions, Democrats won two of the three big Sunbelt elections in Florida and Texas, but a Republican got the grand prize in California. Senator Pete Wilson slid by former San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein, allowing a Republican to hang on to the top political job in Sacramento.

Lots of candidates were elected yesterday... but NOT a relatively large number of voters turned out to elect them. Election analysts say nationwide voter turnout in this week's midterm election may have hit a 50-year low. Historically, turnout is much higher when the presidency is at stake.

The exiled premier of Kuwait today urged the Unites States to launch a military strike against Iraq. He told a newspaper in Bahrain that ''the only option available now is the military one'' because Iraq has NOT freed all its hostages and is violating the will of the international community.

Voters in Ireland are turning out in droves today for the country's first presidential election in 17 years. The choice comes down to the first female contender for president or a disgraced former deputy prime minister sacked last week for alleged improper conduct. Results are expected Friday.

Prime Minister V-P Singh of India resigned today, bringing an end to his 11-month-old coalition government. The resignation follows a NO confidence vote during a day-long special meeting of the lower house of parliament. The world's largest democracy will try to form a new government tomorrow.

Soviet authorities today detained a man who fired two shots into the air from a sawed-off shotgun during a Revolution Day parade led by Soviet President Gorbachev. NO one was hurt in the shooting, which occurred on the opposite side of Red Square where Gorbachev stood atop the Lenin tomb.

The Navy is investigating the crash of one of its jets in the Atlantic at Virginia Beach yesterday. The pilot and bombardier of the A- 6-E Intruder aircraft ejected before it narrowly missed an oceanfront hotel and plunged into the sea. The jet had just taken off from the Oceana Naval Air Station.

Now folks can stop calling John F. Kennedy Junior ''the hunk that flunked.'' The handsome young Kennedy says he's very relieved he finally passed the New York Bar examination after failing it the first two times. The 29-year-old son of the late president grinned broadly as he told the news to reporters and photographers as he arrived for work today at the Manhattan district attorney's office.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.79	7.89	8.48
91-day Treasury bills	7.32	7.31	7.69
182-day Treasury bills	7.43	7.42	7.51
1-year Treasury bills	7.34	7.37	7.27

3-year Treasury notes	7.81	7.80	7.82
7-year Treasury notes	8.42	8.37	7.84
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.70	8.64	7.87
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.15	9.15	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.85	9.75	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.16	9.11	8.90
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.38	9.30	8.85
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.51	9.44	9.08
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.49	9.42	9.06

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	364.97	216.25	142.14	20.67	311.62
Opening	364.05	216.25	141.73	20.61	310.83
11 a.m.	362.96	215.20	141.21	20.59	309.89
Noon	362.16	214.85	140.95	20.55	309.24
1 p.m.	361.15	214.50	140.78	20.55	308.51
2 p.m.	360.28	214.13	140.31	20.48	307.71
3 p.m.	358.56	213.07	139.83	20.44	306.35
Close	358.15	213.76	139.77	20.37	306.01
Change	off 6.82	off 2.49	off 2.37	off 0.30	off 5.61

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Browning Ferris	2,868,800	21 3/4	off 2 1/2
Waste Managemnt	2,763,700	31 1/2	off 1 1/2
Panhandle Estn	2,720,200	10 7/8	unch

BankAmerica	1,976,900	21	off	1/8
Citicorp	1,804,700	11 3/4	up	1/4
Philip Morris	1,597,700	47 7/8	off	7/8
MCA Corp	1,580,100	61 1/2	off 1	1/2
Genl Motors	1,538,500	36 1/2	off	3/4
Ford Motor	1,453,400	26 3/4	off	3/4
IBM Corp	1,400,800	106 1/2	off 1	3/8
Eastman Kodak	1,371,800	38 7/8	off	1/2
Fedl Home Ln	1,305,300	37 3/8	off 1	
Texas Utilities	1,252,600	37 1/8	off	7/8
Genl Electric	1,250,100	52	off 1	3/8
Circuit City	1,220,800	10 3/8	off 1	

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(NOV. 2) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	11	36	13
New lows	109	104	139

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	449	20,271,500
Declines	1,113	116,544,400
Unchanged	446	12,314,100
Total	2,008	149,130,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Imperial Oil A	1,130,400	52 5/8	off 1 1/8
Salomon wt93Jan	388,400	19 1/8	up 1 1/8
Contl Air Hldgs	365,400	2 5/8	off 1/8
PW Group wtB	360,200	10	up 1/2
Denmark King wt	340,500	19 7/8	up 3/4
Societe Gen wt	327,100	3 3/8	up 5/8
Amdahl Corp	324,200	11 7/8	up 1/4
Western Digital	297,400	5 1/8	off 3/4
BAT Industries	251,200	11	off 1/8
Energy Service	232,600	2 1/2	off 1/8

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - The number of women who ran as political candidates in the 1990 elections was a record high, feminist groups said Wednesday, but women's efforts to break the ''glass ceiling'' of high office was frustrated more often than not.

Women could claim a number of significant victories, especially Democrat Ann Richards' victory in the Texas gubernatorial race but feminists lost the equally important California contest for the governor's mansion with the defeat of former San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein.

Women also won the two top elected posts in the District of Columbia, with Sharon Pratt Dixon becoming mayor and former Carter administration official Eleanaor Holmes Norton picking up the non-voting delegate seat in the House.

''These elections will go down in history as a turning point for the power of women candidates, women's votes and abortion in electoral politics,'' said Eleanor Smeal, president of the Fund for a Feminist Majority.

According to Fund figures, over 2,000 women ran for state legislative office, 80 sought statewide seats and close to 70 took a shot a races for the House and Senate.

''The record nubmer of women running fundamentally changed the issues debated in campaigns,'' Smeal said. ''The fact that so many women were in prominent races forced many male candidates to take more aggressive positions on women's rights issues. More candidates than ever before had to take a stand on abortion and other women's rights issues.''

But a woman candidate and support for legal abortion are not automatically linked as Democrat Joan Finney, an abortion opponent, showed in her successful race to be governor of Kansas.

Nor could women challengers break into the male-dominated ranks of the U.S. Senate.

Although Sen. Nancy Kassebaum, R-Kan., was re-elected, all women challenging incumbent senators - including some who gave up safe House seats to mount their challenge, such as Reps. Claudine Schneider, R- R.I., Lynn Martin, R-Ill., and Patricia Saiki, R-Hawaii - were defeated, generally by handy magins.

Women also won the gubernatorial race in Oregon, with the election of Barbara Roberts, but two women incumbents - Gov. Kay Orr, R-Neb., and Rep. Olympia Snow, R-Maine - were locked in such close races they still had not been called late Wednesday afternoon.

Feminist groups were also savoring the defeat of a number of male candidates,

often at the hands of other men, who were perceived to be anti-women in their rhetoric and stands, especially Richards' defeat of Clayton Williams in Texas and Republican William Weld's defeat of neo- conservative Democrat John Silber in Massachusetts. Both men had offended feminists with their campaign rhetoric.

In Texas, in particular, according to Sharon Rodine of the National Women's Political Caucus, ''an enormous gender gap'' opened, with women voting overwhelmingly for Richards. Exit polls showed about 61 percent of women voters in Texas went for Richards and only 45 percent of Williams' votes came from women.

Leftist Paul Wellstone's upset victory over Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, R- Minn. - the only incumbent senator to be turned out of office - was also attributed to the gender gap.

But as Smeal acknowledged, women make up only 5 percent of the members of Congress and just 20 percent of state legislators.

''Electoral and party rule changes are the next step for the feminization of power,'' she said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2479.95	2490.35	2430.94	2440.84	off 44.31
20 Trans	843.57	845.78	828.77	832.84	off 11.28
15 Utils	211.96	213.41	208.31	209.07	off 4.02
65 Stock	874.51	878.26	858.14	861.75	off 14.81

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	17,513,300	14,488,700
Trans	2,558,600	3,358,300
Utils	4,017,000	3,392,300
65 Stock	24,088,900	21,239,300

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.32	off 0.04
10 Public Utils	91.46	off 0.09
10 Industrials	87.18	unchanged

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 128.12 up 0.28.

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TORONTO (NOV. 7) UPI - Brascan Ltd. Wednesday reported earnings of $23.4 million, or 16 cents a share, down 61 percent from $60.3 million, or 62 cents a share, a year earlier. Revenues at the diversified company edged up to $2.17 billion from $2.09 billion at the end of 1989's third quarter.

Brascan's nine month earnings fell to $105.9 million, or 92 cents a share, from $183.6 million, or $1.90 a share, in 1989. Revenues increased to $6.59 billion up from $6.05 billion a year ago.

Brascan said the results reflected a decline in its natural resources earnings due to lower commodity prices, the high Canadian dollar and higher interest costs.

Improved earnings from its consumer and industrial products segment and financial services segment also was reported, the company said. These results from these operations acted as a stabilizer on the company's lower overall earnings.

Brascan said it expected the "less favorable" business environment to continue to place downward pressure on its natural resource earnings. Brascan has interests in various companies including Noranda Inc., John Labatt Ltd. and Trilon Financial Corp..

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#90311u2246 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - Rural America, stunned by the recession that hit industry and farming in the 1980s, is showing an upturn in population but its growth rate still is far behind the urban rate, researchers said Wednesday.

Retirement areas were one of the brightest spots in the rural population picture, averaging a growth rate of 2 percent a year during the decade, twice the U.S. average.

At the same time, the rural birth rate, traditionally higher than the urban rate, declined so there is no difference between the two. It was a long-held image that families in small towns and on the farm had more children.

''Unhappily for those concerned with the vitality of rural and small- town America,'' government figures show the growth in the nonmetropolitan population from 1984-1988 was the slowest in years, wrote Calvin Beale and Glenn Fuguitt.

''Yet there is a brighter note. The nadir of rural and small town population retention seems to have been reached in the year July 1985- July 1986 when the

nonmetro population grew by just 0.15 percent.''

Growth rates quickened in the following two years and reached 0.48 percent in 1987-1988, the final year of study, they said. Economic conditions improved in the final years of the decade, they said, so the trend probably continued.

The recovery trend was ''most manifest in the Corn Belt, the lower Great Lakes industrial belt and several parts of the Northeastern states,'' they said.

Beale is a senior demographer at the Agriculture Department and Fuguitt is a sociology professor at the University of Wisconsin.

There are 2.14 million farms in the nation, a drop of 1 percent from 1989 according to the latest government estimate. The number of U.S. farms has been declining since the Great Depression when there were 6.8 million farms and a quarter of the population lived on the farm.

In an interview, Beale said preliminary results of the 1990 census suggest nonmetro areas would show a growth rate for the 1980s ''at the outside not more than one-third of what it was in the 1970s.'' Half of the nonmetro counties probably lost population during the 1980s, he said.

The 1970s were hailed as an era of rural renassaince with a net immigration of 4.5 million people. It followed the exodus of 1.7 million people during the 1960s.

Fuguitt and Beale, writing in Rural Development Perspectives magazine, said the balance sheet for the 1980s ''will fall between'' the two preceding decades.

''We believe that we see reliable signs of at least partial demographic and economic recovery in the last years of the 1980s,'' they said.

While they declined to predict what would happen in the 1990s, they said the population base in agriculturally dependent counties ''is no longer large enough to dominate the trend of the total nonmetro population.''

''For most nonmetro areas, population change will probably be determined by the degree of success in retaining industrial employment, the extent to which jobs in business services grow ... and the pace of growth in retirement-communities, and commuting to nearby cities,'' they said.

In their magazine article, Beale and Fuguitt said most of the nonmetro counties that attractted large numbers of residents during the 1980s were in retirement and recreation areas. They include Florida, the Southwest, the South Atlantic coast, the Ozarks, Hawaii, north central California and the Pacific Northwest.

Farm counties showed an uptick in growth beginning in 1986-1987. Manufacturing counties edged upward in population in 1986-1988, but mining counties had five straight years of population losses from 1983- 1988.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Kubota Corp	106 1/2	off 11 3/4
Captl Cities	386 1/4	off 11 3/4
Berkshire Hth	5960	up 10
Pioneer Elec	60 1/2	off 4 3/4
Matsushita El	126 1/2	off 3 1/4
Luxottica Group	15 7/8	off 3 1/4
Motorola Inc	55	off 3 1/8
Duke Power pfK	95	up 3
Ralston Purina	94	off 2 5/8
Appalachian pfC	82	up 2 5/8
Kyocera Corp	94 1/2	off 2 1/2

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	30.50-30.60	27.80-27.90
North Sea Brent	35.95-36.05	33.20-33.25
West Texas Intermed	35.30-35.35	32.60-32.65
Light Louisiana Sweet	36.00-36.05	33.60-33.65
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	100.20-100.70	95.25-95.75
No. 2 Heating oil	90.65-90.90	84.90-85.15
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	91.95-92.45	88.75-89.25
No. 2 Heating oil	89.00-89.20	83.30-83.40

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	340.53	336.07	336.80	off 3.73
Industrial	363.57	358.50	359.18	off 4.77
Finance	335.63	332.90	333.67	off 2.09
Insurance	405.52	401.43	404.05	up 1.27
Utility	462.19	453.66	455.97	off 6.85
Bank	242.30	239.33	241.06	off 0.11
Transport	382.56	377.98	378.90	off 3.84

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	147.86 off 1.67
Industrial Index	142.37 off 1.94
NASDAQ-100 Index	354.16 off 6.36
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.66 off 0.08
Volume	84,807,200 shares
Advances	554
Declines	880
Unchanged	1,357
Total	2,791

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	109,795,600
Advances	682
Declines	1,061
Unchanged	2,475
Total	4,218

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	169.84	167.47	167.47	off 2.74
Industrial	209.75	206.54	206.54	off 3.71

Transport	131.25	129.44	129.72	off 1.50
Utility	89.75	88.74	88.74	off 1.20
Finance	110.11	109.14	109.14	off 1.13

Equivalent to a loss of 47 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 149,130,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's blunt warning to Iraqi strongman Saddam Hussein that "time is running out" for him to pull out of Kuwait helped the dollar to pull out of a selloff and end mixed Wednesday.

The tough talk from Thatcher, who in 1982 sent British troops to war with Argentina to wrest back the Falklands Islands, heightened sentiment in the New York currency market that warfare in the Persian Gulf was imminent and prompted dollar buying.

"The market is saying she means what she says, given what she did in the Falklands," said Albert Soria, a first vice president and currency manager for the Kansallis-Osake-Pankki investment bank in New York.

Protective dollar purchases on the strength of Thatcher's remarks reversed the dollar's earlier plunge, brought on by talk the Federal Reserve would lower the key Fed funds rate by 1/2 percentage point to stave off recession. The Fed had eased the funds rate - charged on bank-to-bank reserve loans for short periods - to 7 3/4 percent from eight percent Oct. 29.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.4875 German marks, down from 1.4930 Tuesday, and at 128.90 Japanese yen, up from 128.15.

However, during Wednesday's highly volatile session, the dollar plunged to an all-time intraday low against the deutsche mark of 147.95, Soria said. Only war fears were keeping the dollar from sliding more dramatically.

"I think people are very concerned," said Michael McGuinness, a Harris Bank vice president and currency adviser. "They don't know where a bottom will be since we're making new lows against the mark and the Swiss (franc)."

But he said the dollar was finding takers when it dipped below 1.48 marks. The U.S. unit also was showing strength against the yen, as players considered Japan's high level of dependency on imported Mideast oil.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2475 Swiss francs, down from 1.2540; 4.9850

French francs, down from 5.0080; and 1,117.50 Italian lire, down from 1,121.50. The pound moved up to $1.9695 from $1.9660.

In Europe, the dollar closed mostly lower amid recession worries and investors' belief that official U.S. interest rates will be cut.

"The dollar is trickling down, slowly but surely," said analyst Mark Brett of Barclays de Zoete Wedd. Brett said Democrats' gains in the U.S. mid-term elections had no real impact on the currency markets.

In London, the pound gained on the dollar, closing at $1.9765 vs. $1.9750. In Frankfurt, the dollar rebounded somewhat to close at 1.4862 German marks against 1.4858 on Tuesday.

But it was another story in Zurich, where the dollar slipped to an historic low, closing at 1.2405 Swiss francs compared with 1.2480. "There seems to be nothing to prevent the (dollar's) fall from continuing," said a Zurich trader.

The dollar also declined in Paris, Brussels and Milan to, respectively: 4.9865 French francs vs. 4.9990, 30.55 Belgian francs vs. 30.67 and 1,116.65 lire vs. 1,118.55.

Earlier in Tokyo trading, the dollar initially gained on the yen but lost its strength on U.S. election results and on late profit-taking. The dollar closed at 127.55 yen, up from Tuesday's close of 127.20. The closing rate, however, was lower than the opening of 128.10 yen.

In Zurich, gold climbed to $387.50 an ounce vs. $379.50 Tuesday. London gold also moved up, closing at $387.25 an ounce compared with $380.

Silver closed higher in both Zurich, at $4.30 an ounce vs. $4.20, and London, at $4.28 an ounce vs. $4.23.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $386.25 an ounce, down from $386.50 Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $386.30 an ounce, down from $386.60.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.28 an ounce, up from $4.26. Comex silver closed at $4.287 an ounce, up from $4.257.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 422.18, off 1.47 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - Election victors celebrate their spoils... talk of war in Gulf intesifies... an arrest is made in a spectacular studio fire that causes Millions in damage... and Meir Kahane is buried in Israel... These stories and more, next, from U-P-I:

Democrats and Republicans alike are celebrating their victories today as the White House looks at how this year's mid-term elections will affect the way President Bush takes care of future business.

Democrats gained one additional seat in the Senate and wrestled at least four governorships away from the G-O-P. But they lost the California statehouse to Senator Pete Wilson, a moderate-conservative Republican.

There were a few upsets in House races.

Six-term Republican Stan Parris of Northern Virginia was kicked out by Alexandria Mayor James Morran. But the assistant House Republican leader, firebrand Newt Gingrich of Georgia, won by only about one- thousand votes in his contest.

The only senator to lose his job was Republican Rudy Boschwitz of Minnesota. He lost to Democrat Paul Wellstone, who traveled the state in an old school bus. The defeat lifts the Democratic edge in the Senate to 56-44.

Oregon's Republican Senator Mark Hatfield won re-election.

And in Texas, voters chose Democratic State Treasurer Ann Richards in one of the toughest gubernatorial contests in the country. She beat Republican Clayton Williams for the seat being vacated by a Republican, becoming only the second woman governor in Texas history.

While the net gain for the Democrats in gubernatorial races was as high as five, it drops to four with the victory in Massachusetts of Republican William Weld over Democrat John Silber. Weld will replace the now unpopular Democrat Michael Dukakis, the 1988 Democratic presidential nominee. Regarding the fates of other familiar political names...

- former Democratic Senator Lawton Chiles was elected governor in Florida over incumbent Republican Bob Martinez.

- former Republican Senator Lowell Weicker won the Connecticut governorship as an independent.

- Democrat Bruce Sundlun beat Rhode Island Governor Edward DiPrete in an upset.

- the open G-O-P seat in New Mexico went to Democrat Bruce King.

- and Republican George Voinovich snagged the open Democratic governorship in Ohio.

Among those who did NOT fare well is Washington D-C Mayor Mayor Marion Barry who lost his bid to win a seat on the city council.

Yesterday's elections and the results being reported today only lay the groundwork for 1992.

Tradition says the party in the White House loses ground in off-year elections. But the Bush White House claims an above-average showing with the just one Senate position lost and an estimated eight in the House.

The G-O-P lost governorship races in Texas and Florida, held onto California and Illinois.

Democrat Ben Nelson is the apparent winner over Republican Governor Kay Orr in Nebraska but nine-tothousand absentee votes must still be counted.

And Independent-Republican Arne Carlson has defeated Democratic Governor Rudy Perpich in Minnesota.

White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters today that the election has- in his words- ''something in it for everybody.''

While voters sent lawmakers to the House, Senate and statehouses, they also made decisions on issues of the '90's.

Voters in Washington, D-C, for example, withdrew from the city's homeless their lawful right to a roof over their heads.

In 1984, the District of Columbia overwhelmingly approved the nation's first voter mandate guaranteeing overnight shelter to homeless people who request it.

Yesterday, in a much closer vote, the voters took it back.

At the other end of the country, Alaskan voters decided to join the national war on drugs by outlawing marijuana. The plant has been legal in the state for 15 years.

Possession of the drug is now a crime punishable by up to 90 days in jail.

And both supporters and opponents of legal abortion today are claiming victory... and are promising that the most bitterly contested social issue of the last decade will NOT go away.

Kate Michelman, executive director of the National Abortion Rights Action League, says the election results show that supporters of legal abortion have ''really made impressive gains.''

But National Right to Life president John Willke says the balloting shows that- IN HIS WORDS- ''the pro-abortionists couldn't deliver'' on their threat to turn every election contest into a referendum on abortion.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	9.00	9.65
Anchor Fund Inv	14.03	14.89
Delaware Mutual	16.39	17.58
Fidelity Fund	15.81	15.81
Investor Mutual	10.56	11.11
Investor Stocks	17.51	18.43
Investor Select	8.30	8.74
IDS Equity Plus	8.49	8.94
MFS Growth Stk	7.61	8.20
Nicholas Income	3.02	3.02
Utd Accumulated	5.93	6.48
United Income	15.78	17.25
Vang Wellington	15.57	15.57

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(NOV 7) UPI - Crude oil shot up by more than $2 a barrel and heating oil by over 6 cents a gallon Wednesday as statements by world leaders reignited financial and commodities markets' fears of a war in the Middle East.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher issued her sternest warning yet to Saddam Hussein, demanding the Iraqi president withdraw his troops ''soon'' from Kuwait or else the multinational force assembled against Iraq would ''remove him by force.''

''I think that started the ball rolling,'' said Ed Kevelson of Dean Witter Reynolds's International Energy Futures Group in New York.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the American benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for December delivery rocketed $2.68 over Tuesday to $35.31 a barrel. Volume was a healthy 94,954 contracts.

''Once we broke through the $33.90 resistance level, we hit buy (orders). I don't think we ever looked back after that,'' Kevelson said.

The trader said Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak was also reported as warning Saddam that a countdown to war had begun.

Kuwait's exiled premier, Sheikh Saad al Abdullah al Sabah, told a Bahrain newspaper the United States should strike militarily against Iraq and rejected any territorial compromise with Baghdad.

''The only option available now is the military one, because the Iraqi regime has insisted not only on challenging the will of the international community but also continues to hold the foreign hostages, '' Saad said.

Soviet envoy Yevgeni Primakov described Secretary of State James Baker's eight-nation tour of the Mideast and Europe as crucial to developments in the Persian Gulf, in crisis since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''Generally, there's a feeling permeating the market that something's going to happen,'' said Peter Beutel of the Pegasus Econometrics Group, Hoboken, N.J.

December futures contracts for home heating oil zoomed 6.33 cents to 92.71 cents on the Merc, while unleaded gasoline jumped 3.44 cents to 91.19 cents a gallon.

Technical buying and selling based on the ''spread'' between the price of crude and the products also played a role in the market, Kevelson said.

There was buying of heating oil vs. both crude and gasoline and selling of gasoline vs. crude, the trader said.

The market virtually ignored a late Tuesday report of the American Petroleum Institute that U.S. crude supplies grew 5 million barrels last week. It marked the weekly industry survey's first increase in two months.

Normally, such a report would depress prices. But Kevelson said the market largely discounted the increase anyway since it was mainly confined to the West Coast, which receives much of its supplies from Alaska.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent rocketed $2.75 to $35.95 a barrel.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - jumped $2.70 to $30.50 a barrel.

Three refiners - Houston's Conoco Inc. subsidiary of Du Pont; Marathon Oil Co. the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp.; and Sun Co., Radnor, Pa. - raised the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead.

Conoco and Marathon raised it $2.50 a barrel to $34 a barrel for WTI. Sun's

$2.45 increase brought its WTI price to $33.70 a barrel.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - Environmental groups downplayed Wednesday the decisive defeat of California's ''Big Green'' ballot initiative as an isolated setback in a generally successful effort to elect more public officials sympathetic to their cause.

Despite the rejection of Big Green by a 63-37 percent vote and the failure of like-minded initiatives in other states, environmentalists maintained the election did not represent a loss of momentum for the movement.

Reid Wilson, political director for the Sierra Club, said voters were reluctant to embrace controversial ballot measures of any kind due to anxiety over the economy and the possibility of war in the Mideast.

''I think we are in a very unique and unusual period in this country, '' Wilson said. ''There is unease over whether we are going to have a shooting war. A lot of people are more focused on the possibility of an economic downturn. With all that anxiety, people are less willing to try something new.

''These are setbacks, but they are temporary,'' he added. ''People were in a 'just say no' mood.''

In regard to Big Green, Wilson said Californians also might have been put off by the complexity and sheer scope of the measure, which ran thousands of words.

The initiative would have banned cancer-causing pesticides and offshore oil drilling, restricted emissions linked to global warming and ozone depletion, protected ancient redwood forests from logging, tightened ocean pollution laws and created the elected post of state environmental advocate.

''It may have asked for too much,'' Wilson said. ''It was hard for people to grasp all of it.''

Rick Hind, environmental director for the U.S. Public Interest Research Group, noted the all-encompassing nature of Big Green also guaranteed broad and well-funded opposition from the many industries that would have been affected.

He said industry effectively played on voters' economic worries in a blitz of slick and ''misleading'' television ads. Altogether the anti- Big Green coalition outspent environmentalists and their allies by a four to one margin, he said.

''The expenditures of Exxon and its allies were very effective,'' Hind said. ''We sometimes forget they not only can pollute the environment, they can

pollute the airwaves, too.''

Overall, environmentalists said the widespread failure of their ballot measures was more than offset by the election of pro-environment governors, senators and House members in several crucial races.

In particular, they celebrated the victory of Democrat Barbara Roberts over Republican Dave Frohnmayer in the Oregon gubernatorial campaign. Roberts was favored by environmentalists for supporting protection of ''old-growth'' forests.

Other key wins, they said, included the election of Democrat Ann Richards over Republican Clayton Williams in the Texas gubernatorial race; Democrat Lawton Chiles over Republican Gov. Bob Martinez in Florida; and the ouster of Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, R-Minn., by Democrat Paul Wellstone.

In all those races, exit polling showed the environment was a key factor in voter decisions, Wilson said.

As for other ballot initiatives:

-Oregon voters rejected by a 59-41 percent vote a proposal to require more use of recyclable and recycled materials in food and product packaging. They also turned back a measure to shut down the Trojan nuclear plant if it did not meet strict earthquake safety standards.

-New Yorkers narrowly defeated a measure that would have allowed the state to issue up to $1.9 billion in bonds to finance environmental projects ranging from parkland acquisition to sewage treatment plants.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - American League Rookie of the Year Award winners:

1990-Sandy Alomar Jr., Cleveland
1989-Gregg Olson, Baltimore
1988-Walt Weiss, Oakland
1987-Mark McGwire, Oakland
1986-Jose Canseco, Oakland
1985-Ozzie Guillen, Chicago
1984-Alvin Davis, Seattle
1983-Ron Kittle, Chicago
1982-Cal Ripken Jr., Baltimore
1981-Dave Righetti, New York
1980-Joe Charboneau, Cleveland
1979-John Castino, Minnesota, and Alfredo Griffin, Toronto
1978-Lou Whitaker, Detroit

1977-Eddie Murray, Baltimore
1976-Mark Fidrych, Detroit
1975-Fred Lynn, Boston
1974-Mike Hargrove, Texas
1973-Al Bumbry, Baltimore
1972-Carlton Fisk, Boston
1971-Chris Chambliss, Cleveland
1970-Thurman Munson, New York
1969-Lou Piniella, Kansas City
1968-Stan Bahnsen, New York
1967-Rod Carew, Minnesota
1966-Tommie Agee, Chicago
1965-Curt Blefary, Baltimore
1964-Tony Oliva, Minnesota
1963-Gary Peters, Chicago
1962-Tom Tresh, New York
1961-Don Schwall, Boston
1960-Ron Hansen, Baltimore
1959-Bob Allison, Washington
1958-Albie Pearson, Washington
1957-Tony Kubek, New York
1956-Luis Aparicio, Chicago
1955-Herb Score, Cleveland
1954-Bob Grim, New York
1953-Harvey Kuenn, Detroit
1952-Harry Byrd, Philadelphia
1951-Gil McDougald, New York
1950-Walt Dropo, Boston
1949-Roy Sievers, St. Louis

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CHICAGO (NOV. 7) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.45 3/4-2.55 3/4 up 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.72 1/2- 5.84 up 6 1/4-6 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.18 1/4-2.30 1/4 unch.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.32 1/4-2.34 3/4 unch to up 1.

#90311u2396 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
Secretary of State James Baker and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher warned Wednesday that military action against Iraq is still a very real possibility, while the Baghdad government for the first time asked the U.N. General Assembly to seek the withdrawl of U.S. troops from the region.

Kuwait's exiled premier took the tough talk one step further, calling for an immediate military strike to oust Iraqi troops from his tiny emirate.

Meanwhile, in New York, the U.N. Security Council's sanctions committee warned that medicine sent to Iraq could be used in chemical and biological warfare.

Thatcher's warning to Saddam Hussein was her sternest yet, demanding the Iraqi president withdraw his troops ''soon'' from Kuwait or the multi-national force assembled against him would ''remove him by force.''

''Time is running out for Saddam Hussein,'' she said, during the opening of a new session of Parliament. ''The implacable message from this house must be either he gets out of Kuwait soon, or we and our allies will remove him by force and he will go down to defeat with all its consequences.''

Baker, in Ankara Wednesday on route from the Middle East to Moscow, said the use of force in the Gulf could not be ruled out and there could be no partial solution to the crisis caused by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

''Obviously we would all like to see a peaceful, diplomatic and political solution to this problem,'' he told reporters. ''At the same time ... we cannot rule out the possible use of force.''

Baker has been meeting in recent days with numerous U.S. allies, reportedly canvassing their support for a possible military strike against Saddam.

Soviet envoy Yevgeni Primakov described Wednesday Baker's eight- nation Mideast-European tour as crucial to developments in the Gulf.

Iraq also stepped up its war of words, charging the United States with ''aggressive intentions'' in a letter to the U.N General Assembly. Iraq requested to add the issue of the U.S. military presence in the Persian Gulf to the current U.N. General Assembly agenda.

Iraq said the item should be included for debate because the removal of American forces is a ''humanitarian duty,'' which complies with ''all the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.''

''The starvation embargo against the people of Iraq is an inhumane, uncouth, and vexatious act which deprives the Iraqi people of the most basic human right, i.e. the right to life,'' the Iraqi government said in a four-page

letter to the General Assembly.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein also promised Wednesday to free 120 hostages - most of them Germans but some Americans and Europeans as well - after meeting with former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt in Baghdad, the official Iraqi news agency INA said. More than 70 Japanese hostages were allowed to return home Wednesday with former Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone.

But an Irish delegation to Baghdad returned emptyhanded, amid reports Mother Teresa of Calcutta had offered to replace detained Irish medical personnel with nuns of her order.

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#90311u2399 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 7) UPI - Snow fell over wide areas in the West, Midwest and the East Wednesday and record cold temperatures chilled the central Plains region.

Heavy snow warning was posted for the southwest mountains of Colorado, and forecasters said an additional foot of snow could fall on the San Juan Mountains.

Winds gusted to 62 mph near Albuquerque, N.M.

Six inches of snow fell at Fort Defiance, Ariz. A snow advisory was posted over southeast Utah and the nearby mountains. Six inches of new snow covered the ground at Monticello, Utah.

Snow also fell over upper Michigan, north-central New York state and north-central Pennsylvania.

Four inches of snow fell at Alamosa, Colo.

The interstate highway between San Diego and Los Angeles was closed earlier Wednesday by gusty winds blowing smoke from a brush fire.

A high wind warning was posted for Valdez and nearby portions of Alaska. Winds gusting to 65 mph will drop the wind chill index to 25 degrees below zero by early Thursday, the National Weather Service said.

Winds gusted to 75 mph Tuesday evening and to 63 mph Wednesday at Kodiak, Alaska.

Record cold temperatures in the single digit and teens were set in Wyoming, Colorado, Nebraska, Oregon and Iowa.

Nebraska felt the brunt of the freezing weather. Records were set in Norfolk, where temperatures dropped to 7 degrees, breaking by 1 degree a record set in

1971 and in Scottsbluff, where only 3 degrees of mercury showed on the thermometer, tying a record set in 1943.

Casper, Wyo., also tied a record set in 1971 when the thermometer hit 5 degrees.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Cleveland Indians catcher Sandy Alomar Jr., Wednesday became the third player to unanimously win the American League Rookie of the Year Award.

Alomar received all 28 first-place votes by a panel of two Baseball Writers' Association of America members from each American League city. He joins Carlton Fisk in 1972 and Mark McGwire in 1986 as unanimous Rookie of the Year winners.

The 24-year-old catcher, who came to the Indians as part of the deal that sent Joe Carter to San Diego, easily outdistanced Kevin Maas of the New York Yankees with the maximum 140 points. Maas received 14 second- place votes and 5 third-place votes for 47 points. Kevin Appier of Kansas City was third with 31 points.

Alomar batted .290 in 132 games with Cleveland and hit 9 home runs with 66 RBI. He became the first rookie catcher to start the All-Star Game and he collected two hits in the mid-season classic. He is currently playing in Japan with a major-league All-Star team.

Alomar became the third catcher to win rookie honors, joining Thurman Munson (1970) and Fisk. He is the fourth Indian to win Rookie of the Year, along with Herb Score (1955), Chris Chambliss (1971) and Joe Charboneau (1980).

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SANTA CLARA, Calif. (NOV. 8) UPI - A Korean computer maker and a San Diego startup company said Wednesday they had developed the first battery- powered laptop computer based on the speedy technology known as reduced instruction set computing.

The 8.5-pound computer is based on the Sparc computer architecture developed by Sun Microsystems Inc. for its computer workstations. The computer uses the Unix operating system and is designed for mobile ''power users'' in engineering, science, finance and government, its manufacturers said.

TriGem Corp., the U.S. subsidiary of TriGem Computer of Korea, will manufacture the machine for Research, Development & Innovations Inc. of San

Diego. The two companies will exhibit the machine for the first time at next week's giant Comdex trade show in Las Vegas.

The computer includes 8 megabytes of random access memory and a 100- megabyte hard disc, the companies said. Using the RISC technology, the computer can execute 15.8 million instructions per second, compared with 5 to 6 MIPS for comparable machines based on Intel Corp.'s 386 microprocessor, they said.

Reduced instruction set computing speeds up a computer's performance by streamlining the number of tasks its microprocessor must perform. The technology is particularly popular among engineers and other technical computer users.

Both TriGem and RDI will market the computer, at prices expected to range from $7,000 to $12,000.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 7) UPI - The reputed leader of an international ring of businessmen involved in smuggling sophisticated computer technology out of the United States was sentenced in federal court Wednesday to 33 months behind bars and fines totaling $1.5 million.

Shiv Mohan Mukkar, 47, of New Delhi, India, pleaded guilty last July to export violations and money-laundering charges. He admitted to smuggling a DEC VAX 8700 computer out of the United States and to transferring some $490,000 into this country from Great Britain to purchase the computer.

Federal prosecutors said the computer, which is capable of military applications, was destined for the Soviet Union.

It was smuggled out of the U.S. in March of 1989 after Mohan broke it down, crated it up and labeled it as equipment not subject to export controls. It eventually was stopped in Singapore through the combined efforts of the U.S. Department of Commerce and U.S. Customs.

Mohan's sentencing by U.S. District Judge William Dwyer capped an 18- month effort by the U.S. Justice and Commerce departments to bring to justice more than a dozen individuals and corporations - most of them foreign nationals - accused by a Seattle federal grand jury of smuggling high-level computer technology to foreign nations.

Western Washington District U.S. Attorney Mike McKay said Dwyer's sentence sends a clear message to people who think there is money to be made by breaking U.S. licensing laws.

''When people contemplate this kind of activity in the future,'' he cautioned,

''they better focus on this. Mohan was lucky to receive only 33 months. He got that because the equipment has now been decontrolled.

''People who commit similar acts with technology that is left on the control list will be looking at 10 to 12 years, perhaps more,'' McKay said, adding, ''Don't do it. This risks aren't worth it. Pick another line of work.''

Others charged included a Kirkland, Wash., man, Robert Casperson, 44, who was sentenced in August to four months imprisonment. Also sentenced in August were John Townsend, 41, of Sydney, Australia, to two years in prison, and David Whyte, 42, of Toronto, Canada, to one year.

Sham Malhotra, 47, of New York City, pleaded guilty to tax violations related to the scheme and was sentenced to probation.

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#90311u2415 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - The sharp retrenchment on Wall Street, sparked by the October 1987 stock market crash and fueled by the drop in market prices this year, is likely to get worse before it gets better, industry watchers said Wednesday.

The number of employees in the securities industry has shrunk by 17.6 percent over the past three years, from an industry peak of 262,000 in 1987's third quarter to 216,000 in the second quarter of this year.

Most observers believe there will be further layoffs in the coming months as the U.S. economy continues to slide into recession, but they disagree about how deep the retrenchment will cut and how long it will last.

Michael Bernstein, an analyst at Sanford C. Bernstein & Co., predicted employment levels in the industry will fall as low as 175,000 - down another 19 percent from today's level.

But Kemp Fuller, president of a management consulting firm, was less pessimistic. ''My guess is that you will see thousands more jobs eliminated, but 15 or 20 percent more layoffs is preposterous,'' he said.

Fuller said he expected the industry's employment level will bottom out in the second or third quarter of 1991, depending on how long a recession hits the economy.

A fair number of Wall Street professionals who lost their jobs have found work with foreign-based firms expanding their U.S. operations.

London-based County NatWest, for example, hired almost the entire equity group of Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., which filed for bankruptcy early this year.

Others workers have found jobs in other industries.

''The great bulk of people who have lost their jobs were back-office workers and their skills are relevant to lots of other businesses,'' said Abram Claude Jr., managing director of Russell Reynolds Associates, an executive placement firm.

But even those who have clung to their jobs are paying a price, in terms of reduced compensation. And they will continue to pay this price, observers said.

Average salaries for retail stockbrokers dropped from $97,000 in 1986 to $78,711 in 1989, the most recent year for which figures were available, according to the Securities Industry Association.

Moreover, year-end bonuses - which usually represent the lion's share of the income earned by Wall Street professionals - are expected to fall this year to their lowest levels in nearly a decade.

And many firms plan to pay part of the bonuses in stock as a means of conserving cash and instilling a stronger entrepreneurial spirit in their employees.

While middle- and lower-level executives have seen their incomes shrink, top-level executives continue to command top salaries and bonuses, said Isaac Much of Much & Co., an executive placement firm.

Part of the blame for the sharp decline in jobs over the past three years was that the industry expanded too quickly during the boom years in the mid-1980s.

''This is an extremely volatile industry, and it has the tendency to overhire in good times and to overterminate in bad times,'' said Fuller. ''It's an industry that has an excess of greed at the top and fear at the bottom.''

''The yuppies hired in the 1980s thought they were on a one-way street up. But Wall Street is a two-way street, and these people didn't have the maturity to be responsible to their clients,'' he added.

As a result of the 1987 crash and its aftermath, said Fuller, most securities firms have become more conservative in their investment strategies.

''The process, as painful as it is, will lead to a different mix of business the 1990s,'' he said.

''The '80s was a period of converting paper to cash through junk bonds, and that's just what they were - junk,'' the management consultant added. ''In the '90s, I believe the dominant investment vehicle will be equity-oriented, such as mutual funds and stocks.

''People will be more conservative. They will expect slower growth and more real growth.''

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#90311u2419 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

PAINESVILLE, OH (NOV. 7) UPI - Yet another member of Jeffrey Don Lundgren's religious cult was sentenced to life in prison Wednesday for the April 1989 slaying of a family belonging to the cult.

Daniel Kraft, 26, originally from Nauvoo, Ill., pleaded guilty Monday in Lake County Common Pleas Court to five counts each of aggravated murder and kidnapping.

He was sentenced Wednesday to 20 years to life in prison for each of the aggravated murder charges and 10 to 25 years in prison for each kidnapping charge.

Conviction could have brought the death penalty but prosecutors agreed to drop that request and instead asked for at least 70 years in prison.

Kraft, who remains a solid supporter of Lundgren's teachings, was one of 13 cult members indicted Jan. 5 after the bodies of a five-member family belonging to the cult were uncovered in a barn east of Cleveland.

The Dennis Avery family, including children ages 6, 13 and 15, were shot to death by Lundgren in April 1989 before he led the cult to near Davis, W.Va., and then to Chilhowee, Mo., before breaking up in December.

Lundgren, 40, earlier was convicted of aggravated murder and sentenced to death. His 19-year-old son, Damon, was convicted of aggravated murder and sentenced to life in prison and aggravated murder charges are pending against Ronald Luff, originally of Independence, Mo.

The cult leader's wife, Alice Lundgren, was convicted of 15 lesser charges and sentenced to life in prison.

Seven other cult members have pleaded guilty to various charges and Kathryn Johnson, originally of Woodbine, Iowa, still faces charges involving an alleged plot to take over a church temple in Kirtland.

Kraft was arrested near San Diego with the Lundgrens.

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#90311u2420 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - A decision by Arizona voters to reject a holiday

honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. is likely to cost Phoenix the 1993 Super Bowl.

NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue said Wednesday he will recommend to league owners that Super Bowl XXVII be moved from Phoenix ''in the best interest'' of the NFL.

''I will recommend to the NFL clubs that this Super Bowl be played elsewhere '' Tagliabue said in a statement. ''I am confident that they will endorse my recommendation.

''Arizona can continue its political debate without the Super Bowl as a factor.''

The measure to establish a holiday for the slain civil rights leader was defeated by some 15,000 votes in balloting by more than a million voters. Phoenix has never staged a Super Bowl.

Philadelphia Eagles owner Norman Braman, chairman of the Super Bowl Site Selection Committee, supported the commissioner's stand.

''I am in complete agreement with the commissioner's decision and that, as I stated earlier this year, I, too, will urge my fellow NFL owners to consider an alternate city as host ...''

Gene Uphsaw, executive director of the NFL Players Association, released a statement from his union's Washington headquarters.

''It is our belief that the Super Bowl should not be held in any state which does not recognize the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday,'' he said. ''I applaud Paul Tagliabue and support his decision ...''

NFL club owners are to meet in Dallas next week, and the Super Bowl issue could be placed on the agenda. There was speculation the 1993 game would be switched to one of three California cities - Pasadena, Stanford or San Diego.

San Diego Mayor Maureen O'Connor and Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley wrote letters to Tagliabue Wednesday, offering to hold the game.

''As you know, we missed having the 1991 game by one vote and we made a strong presentation for the 1993 event,'' O'Connor said in her letter.

San Diego staged Super Bowl XXII in 1989. If the 1993 NFL title game came to Jack Murphy Stadium, San Diego would play host to baseball's All-Star Game, yachting's America's Cup and the Super Bowl in a 12-month period.

San Diego also is a candidate to stage the 1992 Republican national convention.

Wrote Bradley: ''We will echo and applaud the league for its moral stance.

Also, as the runner-up bidder to Phoenix for hosting Super Bowl XXVII, we will be eager to renew our interest in providing the venue for your 1993 championship game.''

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Computer Language Research Inc				
Increased				
Golden West Financial	Q	.04 1/2	12-10	11-16
Hilb Rogal & Hamilton	Q	.09	12-31	12-17
Hipotronics Inc	S	.18	1-21	1-4
Northwestern Pub Svc	Q	.38	12-1	11-15
UtiliCorp United	Q	.38	12-12	11-20
Special				
Penn Engineering & Mfg	..	.10	12-17	12-3
Extra				
Oshkosh B'Gosh Inc A	..	.08	12-1	11-16
Oshkosh B'Gosh Inc B	..	.07	12-1	11-16
Reduced				
USF&G Corp	Q	.25	1-31	12-21
Usual				
AirTran Corp	Q	.04	11-30	11-16
Carlisle Cos Inc	Q	.31	12-3	11-19
Chiquita Brands Intl	Q	.10	12-6	11-21
Delta Woodside Indus	Q	.07 1/2	12-6	11-28
Equitable of Iowa A&B	Q	.30	12-12	11-26
General Housewares	Q	.06	12-28	12-14
Hanna (MA) Co	Q	.15	12-12	11-27
Ingersoll-Rand Co	Q	.33	12-3	11-20
Instron Corp	Q	.03	1-4	12-14
LeaRonal Inc	Q	.12	12-12	11-21
Leggett & Platt Inc	Q	.21	1-2	11-23
Phelps Dodge Corp	Q	.75	12-10	11-19
Oshkosh B'Gosh Inc A	Q	.10 1/4	12-1	11-16
Oshkosh B'Gosh Inc B	Q	.09	12-1	11-16
Rockwell Intl Corp	Q	.21 1/2	12-10	11-19
Rockwell Intl Corp A	Q	.21 1/2	12-10	11-19

Thomas & Betts Corp	Q	.53	1-2	12-14
Unitrin Inc	Q	.20	12-5	11-20
Valhi Inc	Q	.05	12-28	12-14
Willamette Industries	Q	.40	12-14	11-26

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - World trade negotiators may need additional time to complete work on agricultural reforms, partly because of the ''minimalist'' offer made by Europe, Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter said Thursday.

The negotiations, which began nearly four years ago, were scheduled to conclude in early December. Yeutter said he believed a follow-up meeting might be needed.

''My view at the moment is there is almost no chance of finishing these talks in December. The gap ... is so large,'' Yeutter said, pointing to slow progress in agriculture discussions and unfinished work in trade and services negotiations.

Trade talks cover 15 areas. Agriculture has achieved prominence because of strong disagreements about how far to go in removing protectionists policies.

European Community leaders, after six fruitless attempts, agreed Tuesday on a package to offer at the talks. It generally calls for a 30 percent cut in trade barriers and domestic supports.

''Regrettably, it's not a very forthcoming proposal,'' Yeutter said, because the Community wants credit for cuts made during the mid-1980s.

Many nations have aligned themselves with the U.S. proposal for a 90 percent cut in export subsidies and a 75 percent reduction in unfair trade barriers and farm subsidies.

''The Community has put what we would call a minimalist proposal on the table '' Yeutter said.

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#90311u2437 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 7) UPI - Secretary of State Baker has arrived in Moscow for talks tomorrow about the Persian Gulf crisis with his Soviet counterpart Eduard Shevardnadze and President Gorbachev.

In Turkey earlier today, Baker said the use of military force could NOT be

ruled out to evict Iraq from Kuwait.

The exiled premier of Kuwait apparently agrees.

He told a newspaper in Bahrain that an immediate military strike is needed to remove Iraqi troops from his tiny country.

Baghdad is trying to counter such calls by warning President Bush that a military confrontation would mean the ''end of his political life.''

The official Iraqi news agency says President Saddam also promised to free 120 hostages- most of them Germans but some Americans and Europeans as well.

But so far, only about 70 Japanese hostages have been allowed to return home today with visiting former Prime Minister Nakasone.

In Washington, White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater leveled some veiled criticism at the foreign officials who have been visiting Baghdad. He warns they are playing into what he calls Saddam's ''obvious, very cynical attempts to propagandize'' the hostage situation.

There was a little too much ''lights, camera, action'' on the back lot of the Universal Studio in California last night.

The lights and action were caused by a mysterious fire that ate through movie sets and the cameras were from journalists covering the spectacular multi-Million-dollar blaze.

Authorities in Los Angeles County say they've arrested a Universal Studios security guard and have booked him on suspicion of arson.

40-year-old suspect Michael Huston is being held on one-Million dollars bail. NO word yet on any motive.

The blaze lasted nearly three hours last night, fanned by gusty Santa Ana winds. About 200 studio employees still on the lot, and some tour groups and nearby restaurants were evacuated.

The five-acre fire destroyed movie sets including Courthouse Square, where ''Back to the Future'' was filmed... and areas where the movies ''Dick Tracy'' and ''Ben Hur'' were filmed.

The fire also heavily damaged the King Kong exhibit on the Universal Studios tour and the tour's Earthquake exhibit.

The vaults containing the studio's priceless film archives were NOT ruined.

Ironically, the studio tour is open for business today and is reporting a

heavier-than-usual turnout.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 7) UPI - The United States, playing tit for tat in a dispute over U.S. meat exports, will dispatch inspectors to check sanitation at European packing plants, Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter said Wednesday.

The European Community has banned imports of U.S. pork since the beginning of this month and plans to cut off shipments of U.S. beef at the end of the year. It says U.S. slaughterhouses do not meet European standards for hygiene. U.S. officials regard the complaint as a disguise for an unjustified trade barrier.

''We have concluded if the Community is going to be insistent to the 'Nth'degree ... we can be insistent too,'' Yeutter said. ''We plan to have inspection teams in Western Europe in the near future just to see that they meet our standards.''

During an interview, Yeutter noted the prompt U.S. retaliation to a 1989 European Community ban on U.S. beef produced with use of synthetic growth hormones. He said it was ''conceivable we are heading down the same road on the pork side.''

However, Yeutter also said trade ambassador Carla Hills had decided to utilize the dispute settlement procedures available under world trade rules. The first step would be a meeting between European and U.S. inspection officials to discuss the Community's complaints. If that fails to settle the matter, formal sessions will be called, he said.

The United States exported about $20 million in pork and pork variety meats annually in recent years. An Agriculture Department spokeswoman said Europe ships a much larger amount of pork and pork products to the United States.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - The man who wanted to purify Israel by expelling all Arabs was buried today in Jerusalem.

Security was very heavy as slain ultra right-wing Rabbi Meir Kahane was laid to rest. Dozens of police, many armed with Uzi sub-machine guns, lined the route of the funeral procession.

But scattered clashes broke out anyway, despite warnings by authorities that violence would NOT be tolerated.

Police say small groups of Kahane followers broke away from the three-mile funeral procession to the cemetery to attack Arabs and journalists. The extremists, chanting ''death to the Arabs,'' wounded four Arabs, stabbing one in the stomach. Two policemen also were injured trying to break up the rioters.

Authorities estimate that up to 15-thousand people joined the four- hour funeral.

Kahane's body was flown to Israel from New York, where the extremist leader was shot and killed Monday night by an Egyptian immigrant. His followers have warned of reprisals against Arabs for the assassination.

Authorities have arrested the head of the secretive black Yahweh religious cult and several of its members on murder charges.

Leader Yahweh Ben Yahweh, also known as Hulon Mitchell Junior, was arrested in New Orleans early today. He and 16 cult members are charged in a three-count federal indictment returned in Miami. They are accused of 18 acts of racketeering, including 14 murders, two attempted murders, arson and extortion.

U-S Attorney Dexter Lehtinen says the Yahweh cult allegedly plotted to murder at random as a rite of initiation into an ultra secret group within the Yahwehs called the ''Brotherhood.''

Lehtinen says NO one could be admitted into the Brotherhood until they killed a so-called ''white devil'' and brought a severed body part back to Mitchell as proof of the killing.

Mitchell, a former professional football player for the St. Louis Cardinals and Oakland Raiders, claims to be the second coming of Christ. He calls his followers disciples and requires them to turn over all worldy goods to his so-called Temple of Love, located in Miami's Liberty City neighborhood.

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UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 7) UPI - Charging the United States with ''aggressive intentions,'' Iraq requested Wednesday to add the issue of the U.S. military presence in the Persian Gulf to the current U.N. General Assembly agenda.

Iraq said the item should be included for debate because the removal of American forces is a ''humanitarian duty,'' which complies with ''all the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.''

''The United States of America supresses any attempt made for peace in its infancy, regardless of its source,'' according to a letter submitted by Iraqi U.N. Ambassador Abdul Amir Al-Anbari to the U.N. secretary general.

The four-page document blasts the United States, accusing it of offensive intentions toward Iraq from the outset of the crisis. It said the U.S. presence exposes inhabitants in the region to the dangers of a nuclear catastrophe and likens the naval blockade to ''acts of piracy.''

''The starvation embargo against the people of Iraq is an inhumane, uncouth, and vexatious act which deprives the Iraqi people of the most basic human right, i.e. the right to life,'' the letter said.

Women, children and the elderly will suffer the most from the U.N. embargo, violating the 1949 Geneva Conventions and other human rights conventions, the document said.

The item for U.N. debate is to be entitled: ''United States military concentrations in the Gulf region: threats to Arab and international peace and security.''

The request followed a call on Tuesday by non-aligned countries in the U.N. Security Council for an Arab U.N. peace force in the gulf to head off a possible war between Iraq and the U.S.-led forces.

Iraq said that the presence of an unprecedented number of U.S. troops in the region since their deployment on Aug. 7, ran counter to the international community's desire to avoid war.

The Bush administration has quashed various peace initiatives backed by world leaders including those of France, the Soviet Union, Jordan and Yemen, the letter stated.

''The frantic call for the imposition of humiliating conditions on Iraq and its people constitutes one more element of the aggression,'' it said.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - The U-N Security Council's sanctions committee is warning that medicines being sent to Iraq could be diverted for use in chemical and biological warfare. Some countries have exchanged medicines for hostages.

British Prime Minister Thatcher today demanded that Saddam Hussein withdraw his forces ''soon'' from Kuwait or the multi-national force will ''remove him by force.'' The statement issued during Parliamentary debate was her toughest warning yet to the Iraqi leader.

A Rex, Georgia, man already in jail is being named in a 70-count federal indictment for allegedly making the mail bombs that killed a federal judge in Alabama and a lawyer in Savannah last year. Two other mail bombs were disarmed.

Voters gave Democrats a firm hold on Congress in yesterday's mid-term elections. In the 102nd Congress, which convenes January 3rd, Democrats will control the Senate 56167, but the gains won't shackle President Bush's masterly use of the veto.

NASA has cleared the Shuttle Atlantis for a blazing night-time takeoff one week from tomorrow. That's six days later than originally planned thanks to problems with the spaceplane's payload which is a spy satellite.

California firefighters are battling a wind-whipped blaze on the sprawling Camp Pendleton Marine Corps base in northern San Diego County. The flames have charred more than two-thousand acres of grass and brush on the base.

India's prime minister resigned his 11-month-old National Front coalition government today. V-P Singh submitted his resignation after he lost a vote of confidence during a day-long special session of the lower house of Parliament.

A Wisconsin woman testified today that an Oshkosh man raped her by taking advantage of one of her 26 personalities. The woman says the personality known as ''Jennifer'' did NOT know what was happening to her when the two had sex last June.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Standard & Poor's Corp. filed suit Wednesday to terminate the licensing agreement allowing the Chicago Board Options Exchange to use the S&P 100 and S&P 500 indices - the foundations of two of the exchanges highest-volume options contracts.

The suit, filed in U.S. District Court, charged the CBOE - the world's largest options exchange - breached its contract with Standard & Poor's ''by asserting that it has the exclusive right to use the Standard & Poor's service marks and the Indexes in connection with financial products other than exchange-traded option contracts.''

It seeks an order terminating the licensing agreement effective Dec. 7 or, as an alternative, a ruling that the license does not extend to financial instruments other than exchange-traded stock options specifically defined in the 1983 license agreement between Standard and Poor's and the CBOE.

S&P's charged the CBOE was using threats of lawsuits to prevent others from licensing the S&P's indexes for use in securities and debt instruments on which the CBOE has no license.

The suit stems from the withdrawal of a proposal by Denmark to issue a note whose value would be based on the S&P's indices.

''In threatening litigation concerning the proposed Kingdom of Denmark note issue and causing withdrawal of that offering, CBOE has diminished and-or jeopardized Standard & Poor's rights in the Indexes and service marks and has confused and misled the public as to Standard & Poor's rights,'' the suit said.

''After the withdrawal of the Kingdom of Denmark offering, CBOE continued to assert that it held the exclusive right to market any equity security or debt instrument that offers a return based in any way on movements in the value of the S&P 100 Index or the S&P 500 Index.'' it said.

The suit said Standard and Poor's has ''suffered severe harm to its reputation and impairment of its licensing businesses'' as a result of the CBOE actions.

S&P said under its licensing agreement with the CBOE, the exchange's use of the indexes is limited to options contracts on the S&P 100 Index and the S&P 500 Index traded on a securities exchange and issued by and settled through the Options Clearing Corporation or a similar clearinghouse, by payment of cash or the underlying security.

CBOE officers were unavailable for comment.

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ANAHEIM, Calif. (NOV. 7) UPI - Running back Marcus Dupree, who suffered what was thought to be a career-ending knee injury five years ago, Wednesday was activated by the Los Angeles Rams.

Dupree, 26, signed a two-year contract with Los Angeles Oct. 3 and spent the last few weeks on the practice squad, waiting for a chance to return to pro football. He is expected to get that opportunity Sunday against the New York Giants.

Dupree gained 905 yards as a freshman at the University of Oklahoma in 1983. He jumped to the New Orleans Breakers of the U.S. Football League and rushed for 681 yards on 145 carries, but tore up his knee in the 1985 season opener.

Coach John Robinson said Dupree should play Sunday at Anaheim Stadium, but not much.

''He's only played seven pro football games and nine college games,'' Robinson said. ''And that was five years ago. If you get on an airplane and the pilot's only flown 15 flights and that was five years ago, you'd get your ass off that airplane.

''If it were a pre-season game I'd play him about half the game. But this is not pre-season. We're playing a team you can't afford to make a mistake against. I can't afford to have him blow an assignment.''

Dupree, who reportedly signed for the league minimum of $70,000 plus incentives, took the roster spot held by Curt Warner, who was waived Tuesday. In another move, the Rams re-signed running back Fred Whittingham to the practice squad.

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#90311u2756 11/07/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 7) UPI - Final elections results are rolling in and they show Republicans scoring impressive late victories in several Midwest industrial states. Among tight races too close to call last night, incumbent Democratic Governor James Blanchard of Michigan was narrowly defeated by Republican challenger John Engler. In Nebraska, Democrat Ben Nelson appeared to edge out incumbent Republican Governor Kay Orr, who has NOT yet conceded defeat. The G-O-P scored late gubernatorial victories in Illinois, where a Republican was stepping down, and Minnesota, which was held by a Democrat.

Phoenix is likely to lose the 1993 Super Bowl after Arizona voters yesterday rejected a holiday honoring Martin Luther King. N-F-L Commissioner Paul Tagliabue issued a statement today saying he will recommend to league owners that Super Bowl 27 be moved from Phoenix ''in the best interest'' of the N-F-L. The measure to establish a holiday for the slain civil rights leader was defeated by approximately 15-thousand votes in balloting by more than one-Million voters.

If all goes as planned- hardly a certainty around NASA- the shuttle Atlantis will blast off one week from tomorrow, carrying a spy satellite into space. While the exact launch time is classified, unidentified sources say Atlantis and its five-man, all-military crew are scheduled to blast off at 6:46 p-m E-S-T next Thursday and that the flight will last three days, 23 hours and five minutes.

A nationwide survey indicates Americans really are NOT worried about the energy situation despite their anger over rising gasoline prices. A poll of 36-hundred Americans conducted by New York management consultant Booz Allen and Hamilton Incorporated in the days immediately following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait found that energy ranked ninth among issues considered most important by those questioned. And less than 12 percent considered energy among the three most-important issues.

Longtime ecumenical activist the Reverend Joan Campbell has been nominated to be the new chief executive officer of the financially beleaguered National Council of Churches. The 58-year-old Campbell currently heads the U-S office of the World Council of Churches. She will take over the day-to-day operations of the nation's major inter- church agency as it seeks to complete a major internal re-organization. Campbell is virtually assured of election by the council's 220-member Governing Board, which meets next week in Portland,

Oregon.

Despite the dangers, sexual activity among teen-agers is increasing. That's the word in a new study by The Alan Guttmacher Institute in Washington, D-C. It finds that the sexual activity of teen-age girls increased in the 1980's, especially among whites and those in higher- income families, but the pregnancy rate remained stable because of greater use of contraceptives. The report says that in 1988, 38 percent of girls from 15-17 were sexually active.

Some prisoners have striped suits... others have green thumbs. The bountiful news from Rikers Island this harvest season is a bumper crop of fruit and vegetables in the New York City prison complex. The jail's farm program has produced a record crop of 132-thousand pounds of tomatoes, eggplant, cucumbers zucchini, green peppers, lettuce and string beans. The eight-acre farm on the western edge of the 440-acre island is tilled by nearly 100 prisoners who are paid up to 50 cents an hour. The food is distributed to dozens of feeding programs throughout New York.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	12	6	0	24	75	45
Washington	10	7	0	20	56	51
New Jersey	9	6	1	19	62	54
Philadelphia	9	7	0	18	62	55
Pittsburgh	8	6	1	17	70	59
NY Islanders	6	10	0	12	46	67

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	9	5	2	20	48	52
Montreal	8	7	2	18	53	52
Buffalo	5	6	4	14	47	47
Hartford	4	8	3	11	34	49
Quebec	3	10	3	9	41	65

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
St. Louis	10	4	1	21	53	40
Chicago	10	6	1	21	53	38
Detroit	7	6	3	17	61	63

Minnesota	3	9	4	10	42	60
Toronto	2	14	1	5	45	84
SMYTHE DIVISION						
Calgary	11	6	0	22	73	51
Los Angeles	10	4	1	21	66	45
Vancouver	8	7	0	16	48	49
Winnipeg	6	9	1	13	50	51
Edmonton	2	9	2	6	32	39

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(NOV. 7) UPI - Winners are still celebrating their mid-term election victories as both Democrats and Republicans turn their focus the next big test... the 1992 race for the White House. Democrats say their gains in Sun Belt governors races in Florida and Texas is proof their party can use middle class pocketbook themes to win only their second presidential race in seven tries. But Republicans say if the new budget agreement helps the economy in the coming year, President Bush will win if he runs in 1992 because the public will be satisfied.

Women's groups are reacting with mixed emotions to the election results. They say that while a record high number of women ran for political office, NOT all were able to break the so-called ''glass ceiling'' of higher office. One significant victory is that of Democrat Ann Richards to become governor of Texas. But the equally important California governor contest was lost with the defeat of former San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein. Women did win the two top elected posts in the District of Columbia... and Democrat Joan Finney won her bid to become governor of Kansas.

The White House says a search is under way for anti-drug chief William Bennett. He is expected to formally resign tomorrow after 20 months in office. Figures show that casual drug use is down and that cocaine prices are going up... an indication that supply is tighter. But statistics also show that drug-related violence is rising, particularly in many big cities. Administraion officials say Bennett wants to move on to a news challenge, and is satisfied that he has put the nation's drug fighting strategy in place.

A Georgia man described as bent on revenge against lawyers and the court system was indicted today for making the mail bombs that killed a federal judge and a lawyer last year. Walter Moody Junior was named in a 70-count indictment announced by Attorney General Thornburgh. If convicted on all counts, Moody could face seven life terms plus 110 years in prison and three-point-seven Million dollars in fines. Moody is in jail on UNrelated charges.

Tens of thousands marched in anti-government demonstrations across the Soviet

Union today... as President Gorbachev led a Revolution Day parade in Moscow's Red Square to celebrate the birth of Communist rule. Once an annual showcase of Soviet might, the military display this year was the shortest ever held, lasting a bare 30 minutes. It also showed a shift away from the Communist Party. The lineup of leaders atop the Lenin tomb showed Gorbachev and several trusted aides... instead of an all-powerful Politburo that ruled the country without legal dissent.

Researchers report ''surprising'' results on a new treatment that can open clogged arteries in some men with heart disease. Dr. Greg Brown of the University of Washington in Seattle says a combination of cholesterol-lowering drugs and a low-fat diet can unclog arteries in some cases and allow the patients to avoid surgery. Brown says a 32- month study found that men given intensive drug therapy had half as much disease progression and three times more reversal of blocked arteries than those given dummy drugs.

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(NOV. 7) UPI - Meir Kahne was buried today in Israel in an emotional service punctured by violence. Police estimate as many as 15- hundred people joined the four-hour funeral, with small groups breaking away to attack Arabs and journalists. The extremists, chanting ''death to the Arabs,'' wounded two Arabs and two policemen trying to break up the rioters. Kahane, an ultra right-wing rabbi, was shot and killed Monday night in New York.

An endorsement of racial reforms came today in South Africa. White voters gave the ruling National Party a decisive by-election victory over the right-wing Conservative Party. The National Party candidate polled 10-thousandcollar constituency, east of Johannesburg. That compares to 19-hundredwing Conservative Party candidate.

William Bennett will be stepping down tomorrow as the nation's first anti-drug director, with President Bush planning to accept his resignation at a White House ceremony. Administration officials say Bennett simply wants to move on... but does NOT have a new job in place. Bush Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says a search for Bennett's successor is under way.

NASA today cleared the shuttle Atlantis for a nighttime launch next Thursday, six days later than first planned because of trouble with the ship's payload. The exact takeoff time is classified, but sources say Atlantis and its five-man, all-military crew will blast-off at 6:46 e-d- t. The mission to launch a spy satellite will last three days, 23 hours and five minutes.

The F-D-A today banned 223 ingredients in over-the-counter drugs, with the rules to take effect in six months. A spokeswoman for the NON- prescription Drug Manufacturers Association says the industry group expected the action she described as a ''housekeeping process.'' A consumer group, however, terms the

F-D-A actions- quote- ''better than NOthing.''

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(NOV. 7) UPI - New York police today arraigned an Egyptian-born boiler repairman on charges of killing Meir Kahane. The arraigment took place at the suspect's hospital bedside. Police say the suspect volunteered a written statement denying he shot the anti-Arab rabbi.

Mikhail Gorbachev celebrating the birth of Communist rule in the Soviet Union by leading a parade today across Red Square in Moscow. But tens of thousands of others held Revolution Day protest rallies across the Soviet Union.

Nelson Mandela today criticized what he called Western hypocrisy. The black South African leader questioned why there is NO protest from the West when- in his words- ''Israel assassinates innocent defenseless Arabs.''

A Universal Studios security guard is being held on one-Million- dollars bail, charged in a fire last night that ravaged the studio's back lot. Police say the suspect was on duty shortly before the multi- Million-dollar blaze began.

Researchers say there's hope for heart patients wanting to avoid the knife. A University of Washington in Seattle study found cholesterol- lowering drugs and a low-fat diet can open clogged arteries in some men with heart disease.

A Georgia man is charged in a 70-count indictment of making the mail bombs that killed a federal judge and a lawyer last year. Attorney General Thornburgh announced the charges against Walter Moody in Washington.

A convicted California madam testified today in the Dallas fraud trial of failed thrift owner Don Dixon. Karen Wilkening says Dixon's defunct Vernon Savings and Loan was her biggest customer.

The new chief executives of Infotechnology say they'll sell major holdings, including Financial News Network and United Press International. The crisis at Infotech was triggered by a dispute with outside auditors.

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#90311u3315 11/07/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 7) UPI - Secretary of State Baker reiterated past U-S policy statements today in Turkey... where he stopped on his way from the Middle East to Moscow. Baker says the Bush administration wants to see a ''peaceful, diplomatic and political solution'' to the standoff with Iraq. But, Baker says, Washington ''canNOT rule out the possible use of force.'' A Soviet envoy today described Baker's eight-nation Mideast-European tour as crucial to developments in the gulf.

The art world is trying to recover today from a recession-induced shock. The season's first big auction failed to sell half the contemporary works offered, with only 34 of 77 paintings and sculptures finding buyers. There was bidding on all lots at the selling yesterday at Sotheby's gallery in New York... but in 43 of the works, bidding failed to reached the reserve price. Dealers say the prices are too high in an era of economic gloom and the threat of war in the Middle East.

An unusual rape trial continued in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, today with the testimony of a woman said to have 46 personalities. The 27-year-old woman told the jury the personality named ''Jennifer'' did NOT know what was happening to her when she and the defendant had sex in a car June 11th. Earlier, a psychiatrist testified the woman was traumatized when she saw her father crushed while he was working under a car.

In Mineola, New York, an inmate with a taste for steak pleaded guilty today to charges of stealing two slabs of meat when he was let out on bail provided by a Good Samaritan. Authorities say Derrick Ponder was the first Nassau County Jail inmate in 17 years to commit a crime while free on bail provided by a local businessman. At the time the bail was posted, Ponder was awaiting sentence on a petty larceny charge for stealing three steaks.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) _ The new chief executives of Infotechnology Inc., which owns 47 percent of Financial News Network, said Wednesday they plan to sell the cable business news network and other major holdings.

Alan Hirschfield and Allan Tessler also said they have hired Wertheim Schroder & Co., an investment banking firm that deals in media properties, ''to effect the most valuable and timely transactions for both the creditors and the shareholders of FNN and Infotech.''

Hirschfield took a leave of absence from Wertheim Schroder, where he was a managing director, to work as an interim CEO at Infotech and FNN.

''Our primary objective is to maintain the substantial franchise value of FNN '' they said in a statement. ''To do this requires making the necessary overhead reductions that enable the great majority of our employees to remain on the job.''

Infotechnology also owns United Press International, which has been put up for sale. The news agency said Friday it had been approached by six potential buyers, including several ''blue-chip companies,'' and imposed a 35 percent pay cut on non-union employees for 90 days to keep UPI operating until a sale could be negotiated.

On Monday, UPI's union employees were told that unless they voted to accept a 35 percent pay cut for the 90-day period, the 83-year-old wire service could be forced to shut down as early as Nov. 17, a day after the ballots are counted.

''As a result of recent contract cancellations and other ongoing factors, UPI currently has a substantial negative monthly cash flow,'' Hirschfield and Tessler said. ''It has been necessary to make some painful decisions regarding layoffs and reduced compensation to continuing employees in order for UPI to remain in business until suitable purchasers are identified.''

Hirschfield and Tessler, who replaced Dr. Earl Brian as CEO of Infotech, said ''serious interest'' has been expressed by several parties in the purchase of UPI ''and/or some of its lines of business.''

In an interview from his New York office, Hirschfeld said, ''It's a priority from the human side'' to keep UPI alive ''but clearly in terms of relative value, our first priority is maintenance of the FNN franchise.''

Hirschfeld added, ''We're hopeful we're not going to have to shut down'' UPI.

He also said a sale of FNN or UPI is contingent on an audit of Infotech's books that is expected to be completed Nov. 21.

The crisis at Infotech was triggered by a dispute over a charge that outside auditors said FNN should take against its fiscal fourth-quarter earnings for start-up costs of a new professional investors service called FNN:PRO.

FNN said it could be placed in default on bank loans if forced to report a substantial fourth-quarter loss because of the FNN:PRO charge.

In mid-October Infotech and FNN replaced Deloitte & Touche, the outside auditors, with Coopers & Lybrand to perform the audit of the companies' financial results.

On Oct. 24, FNN said it had outstanding debts of about $49.5 million in bank loans and about $88 million in equipment lease obligations. Infotech owes about $20.7 million on bank loans. As a result, Infotech and FNN said their operating cash flows were insufficient to meet operating expenses or debts.

''Discussions with our banks are ongoing,'' Hirschfield and Tessler said. ''We hope to obtain a 90-day moratorium on interest and principal payments and on any defaults.

''Furthermore, we have met with representatives of substantially all of the lessors of equipment to the companies and are currently in negotiations with them to obtain a 90-day moratorium on all leasing payments. There there can be

no assurance that we will obtain these moratoriums.''

FNN stock gained 75 cents to $3.25 a share at Wednesday on the over-the-counter market. Infotech stock rose 37.5 cents to $1.375 a share.

''Wertheim has confirmed for us that FNN remains a very valuable franchise and is one of the top 10 leading cable programming networks in the country,'' Hirschfield and Tessler said. ''To date, indications of interest in buying FNN have been received from many of the major national and international media companies.

''Even during this difficult period, FNN continues to increase its subscriber base and gross revenues,'' they said. ''More than 80 percent of its subscribers are under long-term contracts at increasing subscriber rates.''

Hirschfield and Tessler said many inquiries have been received about FNN's subsidiaries that deliver stock and other data to investors.

FNN and the other entities hope to ''receive acceptable offers and to conclude negotiations of the contracts for such sales by year end,'' Hirschfield and Tessler said, but added there are no assurances any sales will be completed.

The executives also said Infotech and FNN are cooperating with an investigation by the Securities and Exchange Commission but noted they ''are distressed by many of the unfounded rumors surrounding current events at the companies.''

The boards of both Infotech and FNN have taken very seriously allegations of fraud and misappropriation of funds at the companies and the outside auditors are thoroughly investigating these assertions, they said.

''To date, inquiries by a special committee of the board of FNN, assisted by auditors and legal counsel, have found only one incident in which company funds were improperly paid and not properly identified on the books of the company,'' the executives said.

''That incident, previously disclosed by FNN, involved the receipt by FNN's former chief financial officer of compensation payments, which were not properly authorized, in the approximate amount of $795,000.''

C. Stephen Bolen, the chief financial officer of FNN, was fired Oct. 12. He had been on leave since FNN began questioning certain payments to him.

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BLUE BELL, PA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Bioscience Inc. (ASE:UBS), Thursday reported revenues of $752,780 and a net loss of $1,129,744, or 7

cents per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The 1990 results compare to revenues of $101,971 and a net loss of $1,585,165, or 15 cents per share, for the same period of the prior year.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $2,045,344 and the net loss was $3,643,438, or 23 cents per share, compared to revenues of $184,413 and a net loss of $4,291,513, or 41 cents per share, for the same period of 1989.

According to Philip S. Schein M.D., chairman and president, the current year's results were favorably affected by the company's public offering in February 1990 and a private placement of Common Stock in September 1989. As a result of these two financing transactions, interest income increased, interest expense decreased, and loss per share was diluted by the issuance of new shares. Operating expenses were consistent with management's expectations and pertain principally to the company's drug research and product development programs.

Based in Blue Bell, U.S. Bioscience is a pharmaceutical company specializing in the development and commercialization of drugs to increase the survival and productivity of cancer patients. The company's portfolio includes an array of compounds, some of which are in late stages of development -- one in Phase-II clinical trials, two in Phase III clinical trials, and another with a New Drug Application pending with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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BENTONVILLE, Arkansas (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Wal-Mart Stores Inc. (NYSE PSE:WMT) Thursday reported sales of $7,930,951,000 for the third quarter and $22,242,656,000 for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, a 26 percent gain over the three and nine month periods a year ago.

Net income for the quarter increased 22 percent to $282,807,000 as compared with $232,702,000 for the same quarter in 1989. Fully diluted net income per share increased to 25 cents from 20 cents in the 1989 quarter. Net income for the nine months increased 24 percent to $809,181,000, or 71 cents per share, as compared with $650,038,000, or 57 cents per share, for the corresponding nine months of last year.

David Glass, president and chief executive officer, commented: ''Our associates' superb customer service efforts and the execution of our merchandising plans and operation disciplines have enabled us to meet our

sales and operating objectives for the nine month period.

''It is imperative that we build on this sales momentum as we enter the important holiday selling season. The overall economic uncertainty will provide sufficient challenges, but we believe we are well positioned to achieve our plans for the balance of the year.''

In the third quarter the company opened 68 new Wal-Mart stores (and closed three stores) and nine Sam's clubs, for a net addition of 7,788,592 square feet of retail floor space. One hundred four new Wal-Mart stores (three were closed), 18 new Sam's clubs and one Hypermart USA unit have added 13,134,596 square feet this year.

At Oct. 31 the company had 1,503 Wal-Mart stores (includes five Supercenter stores), 141 Sam's clubs and four Hypermart USA units compared with 1,347 Wal-Mart stores (includes three Supercenter stores), 118 Sam's clubs, 14 dot Discount Drug stores and three Hypermart USA units a year ago.

Wal-Mart operates in a 34-state trade area and its securities are listed on the New York and Pacific stock exchanges.

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TORONTO, ONTARIO (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - During the course of a Special Shareholders meeting Nov. 7, 1990 the following information was disclosed in reply to questions from shareholders.

1/ The company is currently negotiating a license with a Japanese Corp. to establish the first RAM production facility in Japan. It is proposed that the company will hold an option for a period not to exceed three months. The company has undertaken to pay $100,000 for such option if satisfied by conditions of contract.

2/ Tetravalence Electronics of Hong Kong have advised that they will be visiting Canada in December of this year to effect license agreements for manufacture of RAM cells in China.

BTI believes that it is the intention of this group to establish two manufacturers in the Peoples Republic at the earliest possible date. Requirements for advance licensing fees will be immediately payable on formal signing of licenses.

3/ As a result of testing RAM product over the last 18 months, a major U.S. Battery Manufacturer has requested a meeting with BTI during the first week of

December to negotiate conditions of Licensing BTI's RAM technology.

The company concerned has carried out exhausting tests and applications of the RAM product which meet all of their marketing criteria. Further information will become available after the December meetings.

4/ A U.S. camera manufacturer has tested the RAM product for its application to a new product launch. The findings of this test have demonstrated the suitability of ram batteries for their specific product application.

Meetings with the company are scheduled for the end of November to contract for supply of product during the second quarter of 1991. It is anticipated that the initial product requirement will amount to approximately 3 million pieces.

5/ BTI has met with a major European Battery manufacturer to discuss the possible licensing of RAM technology in Europe. The company expects to meet with the European principals in early 1991 to advance negotiations towards a contract.

6/ Negotiations with a Taiwan battery company have been initiated. The Taiwanese company has expressed its serious intention to pursue license negotiations as soon as possible. BTI anticipates that any licensee with this company would be concluded during the early months of 1991.

7/ BTI's Turnkey manufacturer is currently proceeding with plant installations and debugging is anticipated to be complete by year end. The Canadian Licensee will commence commercial production of product during the first quarter of 1991.

8/ Sherwood Engineering, the Australian RAM licensee will commence production from the AA line during the first quarter of 1991. The managing director of Sherwood has advised BTI that he is currently negotiating a joint venture of the RAM project with a major Japanese trading company. The Sherwood facility will have a production volume of 270 million pieces per year.

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LINCOLN, NE (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Terrano Corp. (NASDAQ:TRNO) announced Thursday that Diagnostic Reference Laboratory of Tyler, Texas, (DRL) has purchased an ILS-5 Laboratory Information System to be installed in a Prime 50-Series Central Processor.

The contract also includes Terrano's Laboratory Management, Remote User Network, Advanced Microbiology, Automated Remote Reporting, Query, Advanced Calculations and Preventive Maintenance Modules plus multiple instrument and system interfaces.

DRL has multiple Remote Reference Lab sites in Texas and serves more than 700 physician and HMO clients in the region.

Terrano Corp. develops and markets integrated turn-key computer systems for radiology departments and clinical laboratories. The company is best known for the ILS-5 clinical laboratory system which is a comprehensive information management system for both hospital and private laboratories.

Terrano Corp. products are based on the IBM AS/400 and Prime Computer Inc. 50-Series family of computer systems.

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ST. LOUIS (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Senetek PLC (NASDAQ:SNTKY) Thursday announced advanced testing of the company's new drug therapy for male impotency has shown excellent results with no adverse side effects.

Dr. Thomas Gerstenberg's study of Senetek VIP/phentolamine drug formula was conducted in 52 impotent patients during a 22 month interval. Gerstenberg, an associate professor of urology at the University of Copenhagen, heads the Department of Urology at Herlev Hospital, Copenhagen, where clinical trials are performed.

The patients in the study were selected because they represent the most difficult forms of impotence to treat. Gerstenberg attributes the low dropout rate of patients during the study to ''the lack of side effects of VIP/phentolamine and the more normal action of this drug combination.''

Gerstenberg believes the drug will be approved for use in Denmark within a year if positive results from his study continue. Senetek intends to seek U.S. Food and Drug Administration approval in 1991.

Senetek is negotiating joint venture agreements with companies in Asia, Europe and the United States which it anticipates will be completed by 1991.

Dr. Gerlof Homan, Senetek's president and chief executive officer, said, ''There is a great need for non-surgical therapy for the 15 million cases of impotence in the United States, with another 18 million males affected by impotence in Europe.

''During 1985, impotence in the United States accounted for more than 30,000 hospital admissions and 400,000 outpatient visits, at a cost of more than $149 million.

''Senetek believes that its proprietary drug combination will become the treatment of choice for male sexual dysfunction. This therapy will be simplified by a single-dose, automatic disposable injector in which the product is made available.''

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DENVER (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - CoCa Mines Inc. earned $52,700 on revenues of $5,880,900 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to net income of $254,900, or two cents per share on revenues of $6,322,300 for the same period last year. The company's 1990 third quarter earnings includes a pre-tax gain of $349,800 from the sale of its remaining shares of Equity Silver Mines Ltd.

For the first nine months of 1990, CoCa Mines reported net income of $1,437,500, or 11 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $49,900 for the same period last year.

Third quarter production of gold and its equivalent at the company's 74 percent owned Shumake and Middle Buttes mines declined from 16,000 ounces in 1989 to 14,600 ounces in 1990. Middle Buttes was fully mined in December 1989 causing a reduction in Middle Buttes production to 400 ounces in 1990 compraed to 4,200 ounces in 1989.

The forward sales program resulted in an average gold price realized by the company of $403 compared to the spot price of $382. Direct operating costs declined from $259 to $215 per ounce. CoCa Mines has increased its forecast of 1990 gold production to 58,000 ounces.

CoCa Mines is a North American gold producer. Its shares are listed on the NASDAQ National Market System (COCA) and Toronto Stock Exchange (CMI).

COCA MINES INC. FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenue	$5,880,900	$6,322,300	$18,405,900	$16,852,900
Net income (loss)	52,700	254,900	1,437,500	(49,900)
Net income (loss) per share	.00	.02	.11	.00
Shares outstanding	12,615,300	12,523,300	12,615,300	12,523,300

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The TJX Companies (NYSE:TJX) Thursday issued the following sales report:

	1990	1989	Percent Change
4 weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990 and 4 weeks ended Nov. 4, 1989	$195,756,000	$171,990,000	13.8%
39 weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990 and 39 weeks ended Nov. 4, 1989	$1,750,484,000	$1,546,893,000	13.2%

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SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - FAX-PAK, a single-board package that combines fax, modem, scanner, phone switching and remote computer turn-on capability for PC users, was introduced Thursday by OnSpec.

The FAX-PAK consists of a single PC/AT half-size board that contains a 2400 baud modem, 9600 bps fax and phone switching and remote turn-on capabilities. The board also comes with a 100/200/400/800 dots per inch (dpi) half-page scanner and scanner software. It is the first product to combine all of these features in one package.

The FAX-PAK relies on a personal computer to manage its operations. In addition to unattended sending and receiving of faxes, it permits retrieval of fax documents for further review or editing on the PC.

With the half-page scanner, FAX-PAK allows the user to scan a document into his system and then fax it. With Optical Character Recognition (OCR) software scanned-in documents can be edited on the computer before faxing. It also allows editing of documents that have that have been received.

Geared toward small business owners, the remote turn-on capability of FAX-PAK allows managers to send and receive faxes without being present. This allows them to save on telephone costs because faxes can be set to go out at night or when rates are lower.

The suggested list price for FAX-PAK is $895. It will be distributed through computer retailers, wholesale dealers and OEMs. Prima International

distributes OnSpec products outside of the United States. The product will be available in December 1990.

OnSpec is committed to developing business communications solutions for fax, voice and data. OnSpec is well-known for its development of the PC FAX-3, a low-cost fax product for the IBM PC.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Solution Selling, a company providing new training methods to help high-technology and services-related companies improve sales productivity and profitability, has opened offices in Los Angeles.

The successful Solution Selling training program is now available to companies and business professionals throughout Los Angeles county.

According to Michele Wrzesinski, president of Solution Selling, the program is a complete methodology, including management tools, designed to help all professionals involved in some aspect of sales and marketing.

The method, developed by successful sales leaders from Xerox Corp. and Apple Computers, teaches the salesperson how to treat the buyer as they would like to be treated and how to lead a prospect to the solution of a problem, rather than the sale of a product.

Wrzesinski (pronounced reh-ZEN-ski) has been in sales and sales management of conceptual and intangible products and services for over 18 years. She set sales records with Xerox Computer Services and was named Business Development Manager of the Year with Apple Computer prior to forming Solution Selling.

The Solution Selling program is based on extensive research on buying and selling behaviors. The training shows salespeople how to lead a prospect through the buy cycle to the conclusion that will solve the buyer's problem, with emphasis on the buyer's needs. This enables the buyer, and, in turn, empowers the salesrep to be successful.

Key elements of the program are new and proven ways of identifying and understanding the business issues of an organization and new techniques for establishing a problem-solving relationship with the client. Wrzesinski says, ''Helping is a major theme of our training. We focus on keeping the buyer and

seller in alignment throughout the entire process.''

According to Wrzesinski, ''The professionals who have been through our program have reported dramatic increases in their ability to handle their entire business. One customer who implemented Solution Selling in January 1986 did not miss a quarterly sales forecast by more than $300,000 in one quarter and was within $100,000 in two quarters on $200 million in revenue that year. And the company grew by 79 percent.''

''The Solution Selling methodology,'' she says, ''is the only one that I am aware of that incorporates product knowledge with selling skills and allows new reps as well as veterans to come up to speed quickly in new markets or products.''

Solution Selling offers their specialized training beginning immediately. Call 714/841-2346.

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YUBA CITY, CALIF. (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - After a little more than a year as a Bank of California full-service banking office, Yuba City is relocating on Nov. 13 to a new, larger facility.

Yuba City was originally established as a loan production office in October 1988. The new office is located at 998 Tharp Rd., Yuba City.

''The new location will increase our ability to serve the growing marketplace '' said John Jelavich, vice president and regional manager of the office. ''The move is important to our expansion within Yuba City and is a strong indication of our commitment to the community. We hope the larger facility will give us greater visibility in the area.''

The Yuba City office will be located in a new all-brick building on the southwest corner of Highway 20 and Tharp Road. It will be highlighted by illuminated Bank of California signage on top of the building on three sides. The full-service office will house an automated teller machine, a sit-down teller counter, and private offices for client privacy.

Since its development as a full-service office, Yuba City has grown substantially. It primariy caters to the agriculture and real estate industries.

The sixth largest bank in the state, The Bank of California was the first incorporated banking institution in the west. The 126-year-old organization

has $8.6 billion in assets, 50 offices in California, Washington and Oregon, and 14 international offices.

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MONTEREY PARK, CA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - International Aluminum Corp. (NYSE:IAL) Thursday announced results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as follows:

International Aluminum Corp.
Consolidated Earnings

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Sales	$48,806,000	$56,549,000
Net Income	$ 3,250,000	$ 3,919,000
Earnings Per Share	74 cents	86 cents
Average Shares Outstanding	4,402,000	4,536,230

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DUBLIN, OH (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - ACCEL International Corp. Thursday announced net income of $5,801,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, compared to $4,048,000 for the like period in 1989, representing an increase of 43.3 percent.

Net income per share was $1.16 and 79 cents for the nine months of 1990 and 1989, respectively. All per share figures have been adjusted for the 5 percent stock dividend paid on June 4. Realized losses on the sale of investments were $115,000 for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to realized gains of $194,000 for the like period in 1989. Gross written premium for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 were $97,402,000 and $81,170,000, respectively, representing an increase of 20.0 percent.

For the third quarter 1990 net income was $2,228,000, vs. $1,326,000 for the like period in 1989, representing an increase of 68.0 percent. Net income per share was 45 cents and 26 cents for the third quarters of 1990 and 1989,

respectively. Realized pre-tax gains on the sale of investments for the third quarter of 1990 were $20,000, compared to $81,000 for the like period in 1989. Gross written premiums for the third quarters of 1990 and 1989 were $36,273,000 and $30,034,000, respectively, representing an increase of 20.8 percent.

R. Max Williamson, chairman of the board, president, and chief executive officer of ACCEL commented, ''ACCEL's year to date earnings represent the highest nine months earnings in ACCEL's 21 year history, and we anticipate positive results for the remainder of the year.'' He further noted the company continues its diversification efforts with the third quarter introduction of a new property casualty product line consisting of animal mortality and farmowners multi-peril insurance coverages.

ACCEL International Corp. is a Dublin based holding company that provides specialty insurance products and services through its life and casualty subsidiaries, operating throughout the United States.

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TAFT, CA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Berry Petroleum Co. (NYSE:BRY) Thursday announced net income of $3,952,000, or 18 cents per share, on revenues of $20,253,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $4.16 million, or 19 cents per share, on revenues of $12,801,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net income totalled $10,763,000, or 50 cents per share, on revenues of $46,427,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $9,959,000, or 52 cents per share, on revenues of $33,969,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Revenues in 1990 included $7,197,000 and $5,267,000 for the company's new blending operations for the nine and three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively, with no comparable revenues for the 1989 periods. In addition to the blending operation, revenue increases resulted from higher average prices received for the company's crude oil.

For the nine and three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, average crude oil prices were $14.68 and $16.50 per barrel, respectively. The crude oil prices for the nine and three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, were $12.75 and $13.22, respectively.

Due to higher crude prices received, oil and gas revenues increased 15 percent and 27 percent, respectively, in the nine and three months of 1990 vs. 1989,

while operating income from producing operations increased only 11 percent and 18 percent, respectively.

In response to the higher crude oil prices, the company has increased steaming operations, reworked many wells on its homebase properties and returned many previously marginal wells to production to increase production and profitability. The costs incurred to implement these activities depress current profits due to the lag time from implementation to increased production.

If crude oil prices remain near current levels, the company expects to achieve increases in production and net income beginning in the fourth quarter of 1990.

Berry Petroleum is a publicly traded, independent oil and gas exploration and production company with its headquarters in Taft.

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ST. LOUIS (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert M. Cox Jr. has been appointed senior vice president, development, and Senior Vice President and Controller Walter J. Galvin has assumed additional financial responsibilities at Emerson Electric Co.

The announcement was made Thursday by Charles F. Knight, chairman and chief executive officer, following the resignation of Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer William C. Bousquette.

Cox, who was president of Emerson's Rosemount Division, assumes a newly created position responsible for Emerson's development, planning, international and treasury functions. Galvin, who currently is responsible for Emerson's accounting and financial analysis functions, will have additional responsibility for the tax function.

Cox, 45, joined Emerson in 1975 as manager of international treasury operations, and has held various management positions including assistant vice president, international; vice president, finance at Rosemount; and vice president and treasurer of Emerson. He was named president of Rosemount in 1987.

Galvin, 43, joined Emerson's Ridge Tool Division in 1973, and has held various management positions including controller at Ridge Tool; assistant vice president, investor relations at Emerson; vice president of finance at the U.S. Electrical Motors Division; vice president of financial analysis and systems at Emerson; and vice president, finance and controller of Emerson.

Galvin was named a senior vice president in 1989.

Cox holds a bachelor of arts degree in business from Drury College and a master of business administration degree from Indiana University.

Galvin holds a bachelor of electrical engineering degree from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and a master of business administration degree from Cornell University.

Emerson Electric Co. manufactures a broad range of electronic, electrical and other products for consumer, commercial and industrial markets. The company's fiscal 1990 revenues totaled $7.6 billion.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Intercontinental Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ:ENTI) announced Thursday that it has set its 1990 annual meeting for Monday, Dec. 10, 1990.

The meeting will be held at 9 a.m. (local time) at the company's executive offices, 6455 S. Yosemite St., Englewood, Colo.

The purpose of the meeting will be: to elect a board of four directors to seve for the next year, amend the company's articles of incorporation to limit the personal liability of directors as provided for by Colorado law; to approve or disapprove the filing of a legal action for damages against the Securities and Exchange Commission for its role in causing the company's subsidiary, Blinder, Robinson & Co. Inc., to cease operations; to appoint independent accountants for the fiscal year ending January 1991; and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

As of Nov. 6, 1990, the company had 74,989,200 shares of the $.0001 par value common stock (''common stock'') outstanding, and no shares of preferred stock were issued or outstanding. Each share of common stock of record on the books of the company at the close of business on Nov. 12. 1990, is entitled to notice of and to vote at the annual meeting.

The company's stock is quoted in The Wall Street Journal each Monday in the NASDAQ Weekly Bid & Asked Quotations, listed as IntEnt.

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ANAHEIM, CA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Autodesk (NASDAQ/NMS:ACAD) announced Thursday that it has reached an agreement in principle with ESRI, the worldwide leader in mapping and geographic information systems (GIS) solutions to produce a product that allows Mapping/GIS professionals to freely exchange files between Autodesk's AutoCAD and ESRI's ARC/INFO.

AutoCAD is the world's leading desktop-based computer-aided design program, with an installed base of over 400,000. Mapping/GIS professionals are increasingly turning to the CAD industry standard as a tool for Mapping/GIS data collection and editing.

ARC/INFO is a sophisticated analytical GIS system used in over 10,000 sites, and is a top contender for almost all the major GIS bids put out by industry and government.

The file transfer system will be developed, distributed and supported by ESRI, and will be based on Autodesk's new AutoCAD Development System (ADS) programming utility. ADS makes it possible to closely link existing software applications directly to AutoCAD.

The ADS file transfer application will be made available in ESRI's next release (v.5.1) of ARC/INFO. The agreement between the two companies also outlines furthering the relationship with enhanced technology, sales and marketing programs.

ESRI was founded in 1969 as a research group devoted to improving the methods of handling geographic data. Since then, ESRI has become a leading vendor or geographic information systems (GIS) software with clients located worldwide. ESRI also performs consulting/data automation services related to geographic information management.

Autodesk develops, markets and supports a family of computer-aided design, engineering and animation software products for desktop computers and workstations. For more information, customers may call 800/445-5415 or GO ADESK on CompuServe.

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NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Ventura Entertainment Group Ltd. (NASDAQ:VEGG) Thursday announced the company has agreed to reduce the exercise price of its Class B warrants from $16 to $2 for a period of 23 days ending at 5 p.m. PST on Nov. 30.

During this period, each Class A warrant of the company entitles the holder to purchase two shares of common stock and one Class B warrant at an exercise price of $14 and each Class B warrant will entitle the holder to purchase two shares of common stock at an exercise price of $2.

Ventura Entertainment Group is a fully integrated entertainment production company which, directly and through its subsidiaries, produces television commercials, develops and produces network, cable and syndicated TV series, mini-series, MOW's theatrical motion pictures, music/variety specials and live events for the domestic and international marketplace.

The company also produces and publishes music, and owns the Ventura Media Center in Orem, Utah, one of the largest production facilities outside of Los Angeles.

CONTACT: Ventura Entertainment Group Ltd., North Hollywood
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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Southern Pacific Lines Thursday announced a two percent rate increase on all trailer and container traffic, effective Dec. 10, 1990.

George C. Woodward, SP's executive vice president of distribution services, said the increase is ''a reflection of the continued upward pressure in fuel markets, as well as other costs.''

The increase will apply to all trailer and container traffic not already covered by separate fuel and cost escalation provisions, Woodward said.

''This moderate increase demonstrates Southern Pacific's determined efforts to absorb as much of the escalating fuel costs as possible,'' he said, ''to keep our customers competitive in the marketplace.''

Southern Pacific will review the need for price changes in 1991 based on the evolving costs of energy, labor and materials, he said.

CONTACT: Southern Pacific Public Relations, San Francisco
Michael J. Baldini, 415/541-1406

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of the Adams Express Co. Thursday declared the following year-end distribution, payable Dec. 27,

1990 to shareholders of record, Nov. 19, 1990.

--34 cents per share representing undistributed net investment income for the year 1990.

--$1.02 per share representing undistributed net capital gains realized during the year 1990.

Both payments are payable in stock or cash at the option of each stockholder.

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WORCESTER, MASS. (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Over 300 shiping executives, brokers, distributors and others interested in freight transportation services applauded the opening of a new, rail served container yard and intermodal service center in Worcester.

Owned and operated by Intransit Container Inc. (ICI) and served by the Providence & Worcester Railroad (P&W), the facility is bonded by U.S Customs.

Worcester Mayor Jordan Levy officiated at the ribbon cutting, and was joined by U.S. Congressman Joe Early, City Manager William J. Mulford, City Councilor Ray McGrath, Deputy Director of Port of Boston Frank Sheehan and Chamber of Commerce Chairman P. Kevin Condron.

Orville Harrold, P&W president, cited the significance of the combined efforts of Conrail and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to provide needed track improvements to accomodate double-stack container trains into Worcester. Worcester is an ideal site for double-stack service due to its excellent transporation network.

Richard Sousa, president of ICI, noted that though the facility was opened today, this is just the beginning, since the ever-changing needs of the transportation industry will require the continuing efforts of ICI and P&W to develop new and innovative techniques to respond to the dynamics of the marketplace.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Anthony B. Gliedman, 48, is joining Amrep

Corp., a real estate developement company, as executive vice president and CEO-designate, effective February 1, 1991.

Present plans are for him to succeed the current CEO, Howard W. Friedman, the latter part of next year.

Gliedman has been serving as executive vice president of The Trump Organization in New York City, where he has been responsible for housing, office, retail and hotel development efforts in New York City and Atlantic City. He has been with The Trump Organization since 1986.

''Tony Gliedman's 23-year real estate management and development experience will enhance Amrep's industry leadership and strengthen our senior management '' said Howard W. Friedman, chairman and chief executive officer of Amrep Corp. ''His impressive credentials will help drive our growth and better position us for the challenge in this decade and beyond. This is a planned step to ensure orderly succession of Amrep's management,'' he said.

The past four-and-a-half years with Donald was an enriching experience, both professionally and personally,'' Gliedman said. ''I admire him as an astute business leader and gained a great deal from working closely with him. The opportunity, however, to run a company with Amrep's reputation and scope of operations was too exciting to pass up.''

Prior to joining The Trump Organization, Gliedman held a number of senior government positions within the City of New York. During his 19 years with the City, he was Commissioner of the Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) from 1979 to 1986, Commissioner of the Department of Ports and Terminals, Assistant to the Mayor for Labor Relations and Personnel, Director of Agency Analysis for the New York State Emergency Financial Control Board, Ombudsman for the Housing Development Administration (HDA), and Deputy General Counsel for HDA.

Gliedman, a graduate of Amherst College, received a law degree from Columbia University. He lives in Brooklyn with his wife, Virginia, and two sons, Christopher and Gregory.

Amrep Corp. (NYSE:AXR), headquartered in New York City, is a leading commercial and industrial property real estate developer and builder of affordable housing in New Mexico, Florida and a number of other states. It also owns Kable News Company, an international distributor of magazines which also provides subscription fulfillment services to publishers.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Georgia Federal Bank FSB, the state's largest savings institution, reported net income of $7.3 million for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $6.5 million for the same period in 1989.

Georgia Federal's annualized return on assets for the third quarter was .67 percent, compared to .63 percent for the same quarter in 1989. In this period, the bank's annualized return on equity increased to 10.65 percent, from 10.56 percent in the third quarter of 1989.

Both deposits and loans have grown during the 12-month period from September 1989 to September 1990, with deposits increasing 3.6 percent, or $98.1 million and loans (excluding mortgage backed securities) increasing 4.8 percent, or $106.1 million.

Georgia Federal continues to enjoy a strong capital position with net worth totaling $276.6 million at Sept. 30, which is well above federal regulatory requirements as illustrated below:

	Minimum Capital Requirements	Georgia Federal Sept. 30
Tangible Capital	1.50 pct.	3.25 pct.
Core Capital	3.00 pct.	3.46 pct.
Risk Adjusted Capital	6.40 pct.	7.04 pct.

Headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia Federal is a wholly owned subsidiary of First Financial Management Corp. (NYSE:FFM). Georgia Federal currently operates 59 banking offices throughout Georgia (effective Nov. 10), as well as First Family Financial Services, a consumer finance company operating 191 offices in eight Southeastern states.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - With an extremely narrow margin of deciding votes on Mission Bay, Catellus Development Corp. said Thursday the election has not altered its development plans for the 315-acre neighborhood on San Francisco's waterfront.

"We are, of course, disappointed at the outcome of the election," said Vernon

B. Schwartz, president and chief executive officer of Catellus, "especially since it was so close." (Proposition I on the San Francisco ballot lost by 584 votes out of a total 196,700 cast.)

"We attribute the decision primarily to the overall negative mood of voters in the state and to the number of complex issues on the ballot. We are, however, encouraged by the 96,000 San Franciscans who voted for Proposition I, and we thank them for their support."

Proposition I would have provided an exemption for office development in Mission Bay from a 1986 measure (Proposition M) which restricts the amount of new office space that can be built per year in San Francisco.

Many of the public amenities in Mission Bay, including affordable housing, parks, wetlands, childcare centers, economic development programs and other benefits, are linked to commercial development in the project. "Mission Bay will still happen," Schwartz said. "Our immediate goal is to win approval from the Board of Supervisors for the development agreement."

The San Francisco board of supervisors is currently holding hearings on a development agreement for Mission Bay, which outlines the scope and process of the development. The San Francisco Planning and Port commissions both have unanimously approved the development agreement.

"It has always been our intent to locate our offices in Mission Bay," Schwarz said, " and we plan to move ahead with that, under the requirements of Proposition M, as well as with the linked development of market rate and affordable housing. In order to achieve the timely development of Mission Bay, however, we intend to obtain an exemption from Proposition M, and we will go back to the voters."

Jim Augustino, Catellus vice president and Mission Bay development director, said: "We've been a part of San Francisco for many years. We're not going to walk away from Mission Bay or from our commitment to San Francisco."

Catellus Development Corp., headquartered in San Francisco, is a major owner, developer and manager of property in 13 states in the West, Midwest and Southwest. The company expects to "spin off" from its parent, Santa Fe Pacific Corp., in December, at which time it will become the largest publicly traded real estate firm in the country.

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MILPITAS, CALIF (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - LSI Logic Corp. (NYSE:LSI) received

the distinguished Defense Investigative Services' James S. Cogswell Award for Outstanding Industrial Security Achievement.

The Cogswell award is named after the first director of the Department of Defenses' Office of Industrial Security, which preceded the Defense Investigative Service. The Cogswell award is presented to defense contractors who have developed and maintained an excellent industrial security program. The security organization at LSI Logic has passed four consecutive inspections without any deficiencies. At the conclusion of each inspection, LSI Logic was rated the highest level of achievement.

The following is an excerpt from the letter of congratulations written by John F. Donnelly, director of the Defense Investigative Service:

''The presentation of this award reflects your personal commitment to the development and maintenance of an exceptional industrial security program. We applaud the efforts of yourself, your security staff, and all of your employees in achieving a secure environment for the protection of classified material.''

According to Dan Roblyer, manager of corporate security, ''At LSI Logic, we believe security is everyone's responsibility. We have an aggressive industrial security program and we have worked very hard to ensure the protection of classified materials. Our employees and security staff have done a great job and we are very proud to have received this honor.''

LSI Logic Corp. is a leading supplier of high-performance semiconductors. The company is the premier manufacturer and marketer of HCMOS application-specific integrated circuits (ASICs), with over 10,000 designs completed worldwide. In addition, the company manufactures and markets MIPS and SPARC architecture RISC microprocessors as well as a growing line of digital signal-processing circuits.

The company also develops and sells chip sets and graphic boards used in IBM-compatible computers. LSI Logic employs more than 4,000 people in the United States, Europe, Japan, and Canada. The company is headquartered in Milpitas (95035), at 1551 McCarthy Blvd.

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DALLAS (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Spectrum Information Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:SPCLC) Thursday announced a $69,316 loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, vs. a $314,924 loss for the same quarter last year, and a $663,609 loss for the previous quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter ended showed a modest increase from $4,654,205 for the quarter Sept. 30, 1990, last year to $4,719,549 for the same quarter ended this year.

The company also announced that it has renegotiated the lease for its corporate headquarters in Dallas, which will result in immediate savings to the company of approximately $4,000 per month.

For more detailed information, Spectrum's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, is available upon request.

Spectrum, a publicly held integrated company, along with its subsidiaries, has the demonstrated capability to develop, deliver and support a wide array of state-of-the-art telecommunications and portable data products.

Whether equipping field personnel with portable computers, providing host site computers and networks, or tying the two together with untethered, wireless communications technology, Spectrum is an industry leader.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Manhattan National Corp. (NYSE: MLC) Thursday announced its principal subsidiary, The Manhattan Life Insurance Co. had approved an agreement with the New York Insurance Department concerning interest being credited to a fund held by Manhattan Life for the benefit of Manhattan National Corp.

Under the terms of the agreement, Manhattan Life will reduce the interest credited to the company by $792,000. The $792,000 reversal will reduce operating income in the fourth quarter of 1990 by approximately $0.124 per share. Manhattan National Corp. will release third quarter earnings reports next week.

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SIMI VALLEY, CA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Rexon Inc.(NASDAQ/NMS:REXN), a leading producer of 1/4-inch cartridge tape and DAT drives, tape drive subsystems, software for file back-up and archival systems for personal computers and computer related products, Thursday announced unaudited results of operations for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported revenues of $41.1 million compared to $32.8 million reported for the like period one year ago. Net earnings of $2.3 million, or 22 cents per share was achieved, compared to net earnings of $1.5 million, or 17 cents reported for the fourth quarter last year.

For the twelve months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported revenues of $158.2 million compared to $146.8 million reported for the like period one year ago. Net earnings of $8.5 million, or 82 cents per share were achieved, compared to net earnings of $9.8 million, or 90 cents reported for fiscal year 1989.

Rexon operates three independent subsidiaries, including Wangtek, which manufactures and markets 1/4-inch cartridge and DAT tape drives and tape drive subsystems through its operations in Simi Valley, Calif. and Ponce, Puerto Rico; the Tecmar subsidiary produces personal computer enhancement products through its operations in Solon, Ohio; and the Sytron subsidiary develops and markets software for file back-up and archival systems for personal computers through its operations in Westboro, Mass.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - William P. Brophey, president and chief executive officer of Brad Ragan Inc. (ASE: BRD), announced Thursday that the board of directors of Brad Ragan Inc., has received an Agreement and Plan of Share Exchange proposed by The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. pursuant to which Goodyear would acquire the 556,924 shares of Brad Ragan common stock that it does not already own for $22 cash per share.

The total value of the proposed transaction would be approximately $12,250,000.

The plan is subject to approval of the board of directors of Brad Ragan Inc., as well as its shareholders. If the board of directors approves the plan, it will call a special meeting of the shareholders to consider approval of it.

Proxy materials containing details and conditions of the plan will be distributed to each shareholder in advance of the meeting. Goodyear already owns approximately 75 percent of the Brad Ragan common stock.

A special committee of the independent directors of Brad Ragan has been formed to study the proposal and make a recommendation to the board of directors regarding the offer. The company has engaged Interstate/Johnson Lane Corp. as financial adviser to the special committee to give advice with regard to the

Goodyear proposal.

The board expects to receive a report and recommendation from the special committee by the end of the month.

Brad Ragan Inc. is the largest U.S. producer of retreaded tires for off-highway vehicles and distributes new and retreaded off-the-road and truck tires through a network of 50 commercial tire centers in 20 states.

The company also operates a chain of 133 retail stores in the southeast, featuring products and services for the auto and home.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Worth Corp. (NASDAQ:WRTH) Thursday reported results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Worth Corp. is a holding company which owns 66 percent of Keegan Management Co. (NASDAQ:KMCI) and 20 percent of Mr. Coffee inc. (NASDAQ:JAVA).

Revenues for the third quarter 1990 decreased to $4,749,000 from $13,305,000 in the third quarter 1989, principally because Keegan Management Co. sold 31 of its Nutri/System weight loss centers in May 1990, the current economic downturn and negative publicity surrounding the weight loss industry also reduced revenue levels.

The operating loss for the third quarter 1990 was $899,000 compared with operating income of $492,000 in the corresponding quarter of 1989. Despite substantially reduced revenues and operating losses the company reported net income of $80,000, or 2 cents per share, in the third quarter 1990 reflecting the company's share of strong results of Mr. Coffee inc.

Net income in the third quarter 1989 was $869,000, or 15 cents per share, which included net income of $759,600 (14 cents per share) from disposition of Keegan Management Co. stock.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 revenue was $26,008,000, compared with $36,388,000 in the corresponding 1989 period. An operating loss of $1,896,000 was recorded for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with operating income of $2,088,000 in the first nine months last year.

Net income was $5,556,000 or 96 cents per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $410,000, or 8 cents per share, during the like 1989 period.

Jean R. Perrette, chairman of the board of Worth Corp., stated that, ''Keegan's operations continue to be negatively impacted by the adverse publicity surrounding the weight loss industry and is beginning to be impacted by the economic recession, however, the company is focusing its energies on returning its Nutri/System weight loss centers to operating profitability and on protecting and enhancing its stockholders' value.''

Perrette also noted that during the third quarter of 1990, Mr. Coffee's sales increased 23.5 percent and that net income was approximately $2.4 million, up 68 percent from the third quarter 1989. The contribution from Mr. Coffee inc. to Worth Corp.'s net income was $479,000, and $2,180,000 in the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990.

''Successful new products, improved capital structure and a strong management team have contributed to the progress of Mr. Coffee and business trends continue in a positive direction despite difficult industry conditions. Fourth quarter orders at Mr. Coffee are strong, including those for newer products,'' said Perrette.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Ranger Oil Ltd. (TsSE/MoSE/NYSE/PSE:RGO) reported that earnings for the first nine months of 1990 increased 68 percent to U.S. $25.0 million (28 cents per share) from U.S. $14.9 million (18 cents per share) for the like period in 1989.

Earnings after the effect of extraordinary items in 1989 were U.S. $42.0 million (52 cents per share).

Funds generated from operations for the first nine months of 1990 rose 40 Percent to U.S. $66.3 million (77 cents per share) from U.S. $47.4 million (60 cents per share) for the corresponding 1989 period.

Revenues increased 17 Percent to U.S. $110.2 million from U.S. $94.3 million as a result of increased Canadian production and higher oil prices. Production averaged 17,528 barrels of oil and 42.8 million cubic feet of gas per day for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 (1989 -- 16,885 barrels per day and 28.8 million cubic feet per day).

Substantially all of the company's 6-1/2 percent Eurobonds were converted into 12.5 million common shares of the company during the third quarter of 1990, retiring debt in the amount of U.S. $74.9 million.

The company's working capital at Sept. 30, 1990, was U.S. $150.9 million.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The company and Michael E. Marcovsky, together with Douglas R. Casey, Frank Mirgon and the committee, announce that they have concluded settlement agreements (the ''settlement'').

Pursuant to the settlement, the parties thereto have agreed to resolve all differences between and among them. In particular, the members of the committee agreed, among other things, to withdraw their consents to act as directors of the company, and the incumbent directors have been re-elected for the ensuing year. Additionally, the settlement provides that all pending legal proceedings between and among the parties will be dismissed.

In connection with the settlement, Marcovsky agreed to and has purchased 2,350,398 common shares of the company from Frank Mirgon, Annie Mirgon, Douglas R. Casey and Anna Charlotte van Eeden. As a consequence of this purchase, Marcovsky owns 3,467,974 common shares of the company. There are no persons of common shares of the company, excepting John Wheeler, who owns and exercises control or direction over a further 69,165 common shares of the company.

The Vancouver Stock Exchange has not reviewed and does not accept responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of the contents herein.

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SANTA ANA, CALIF (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Amplicon Inc. (NASDAQ:AMPI) Thursday announced that net earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 60 percent to $1,558,000, or 26 cents per share, compared with $976,000, or 16 cents per share, for the first quarter of last year.

First-quarter revenues were $37,816,000 compared with $28,803,000 during the year-earlier period. Weighted average common shares outstanding were 5,985,000 and 6,202,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Commenting on first-quarter results, Patrick E. Paddon, president and chief executive officer, indicated that ''Amplicon's first-quarter results reflect the planned benefits from the company's investment in its sales force and tightened financial controls.

''While tight credit conditions have continued to dampen our ability to generate new business, Amplicon's sales force still achieved a 31 percent growth in revenue and 33 percent increase in gross profit. At the same time, we were able to limit the increase in our S,G&A expenses to 10 percent such that S,G&A expenses as a percent of revenue decreased from 6.7 percent to 5.7 percent.

''We expect this ratio to decrease further as we progress through the fiscal year. We have started to see an improvement in the competitive environment which, we believe, is good for the long-term health of our business. As a result, despite uncertain economic conditions, we believe Amplicon can continue to show strong earnings growth in 1991.''

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Skinner & Co., a nationwide proxy solicitation firm headquartered in San Francisco, announced the election of Michael McReynolds as president and chief operating officer, and Carlton Skinner as chairman of the board.

The company, one of the oldest firms in its field, had been a sole proprietorship for 27 years, and was recently incorporated as Skinner & Co. Inc. McReynolds had been a senior vice president since 1982.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - RasterOps Corp. (NASDAQ:ROPS) Thursday announced it has shattered the price barrier for customers who want 24-bit color with fully-integrated TV technology on the Macintosh.

Through Jan. 5, 1991, RasterOps is offering its Video ColorBoard 364, the industry's first 24-bit color graphics product with live digital TV-in-a-window capability, at $1,295, thousands of dollars below comparable offerings. The promotion includes NTSC and PAL versions of the 364 product.

''RasterOps is continuing its history of 'firsts' with this promotion,'' said Frank Leonardi, senior vice president of sales and marketing for RasterOps.

''We were first in bringing 24-bit color under $1,000 to the Macintosh. Our custom VLSI chip technology allows us to quickly develop new products and pass along the cost savings to our customers.

''RasterOps is committed to making the most advanced 24-bit color graphics and TV technology available as quickly and as affordably as possible, so graphic artists, page designers and publishers can realize the benefits of this technology today.

''We believe this Video ColorBoard 364 offer is one of the most attractive holiday promotions and will reinforce our position as the premier supplier of fully integrated 24-bit color and TV technology in the industry,'' Leonardi said.

With 24-bit color, framegrabbing and real-time video display, the affordable 364 provides a versatile tool for multimedia applications, presentations, graphic design and desktop publishing. When bundled with applications such as MacroMind Director 2.0 or Audiomedia, the 364 becomes even more powerful, providing complete multimedia capabilities.

RasterOps, with headquarters in Santa Clara, designs, manufactures and markets photorealistic color-imaging products for the Macintosh, IBM PC, Sun SPARCstation and Digital RISC-based workstation platforms. RasterOps products are designed primarily for the graphic arts, printing, publishing and related industries.

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WALNUT CREEK, CALIF (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Central Banking System Inc. (CBSI) announced Thursday its third-quarter, 1990 results.

CBSI recorded net income of $19.1 million, or $4.48 per share, for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, which was an improvement of $47.0 million from the net loss of $27.9 million, or $6.54 per share during the like nine-month period in 1989.

The net loss of $330 thousand or 8 cents per share for the three-month period ended Sept. 30 was an improvement of $14.7 million over the $15 million, or $3.51 per share loss recorded for the like three-month period in 1989.

The net gain recorded for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30 was primarily attributable to the gain realized from the sale of CBSI subsidiaries, Central Bank and CB Insurance Agency Inc. (CBIA), to Bank of the West (BW) on May 18 and to a reduction of losses from operations. For the three-month period

ended Sept. 30, the improvement was attributable to the exclusion of Central Bank and CBIA operating losses from the operations of CBSI.

The principal reason for the loss incurred over the past quarter is that expenses associated with the class action litigation, including payment of defense costs for current and former directors, officers and employees of CBSI pursuant to contractual indemnity obligations, when added to the ongoing operating expenses of CBSI exceeded the income generated by CBSI's investment portfolio.

As previously reported, the sale of Central Bank and CBIA to BW generated cash proceeds totaling $40.8 million. Contractual and other obligations of CBSI totaling $27.4 million were satisfied after closing this sale transaction.

The remaining net assets were immediately invested. As of Sept. 30, $13.2 million was invested in short term money market instruments, of which $13.1 million was and is managed by the Asset Management Division of Wells Fargo Bank. As of Sept. 30, the aggregate yield to maturity of these investments was 7.99 percent.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Kaypro Corp. recently filed a report detailing operations for the month of September.

The operating report, which is required by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, showed gross sales of $818,000 and a net operating profit of $41,000. This is the second consecutive month that Kaypro has reported profitable operations.

Having experienced a considerable financial downturn, the computer company filed for Chapter 11 protection in March of this year. In June, Kaypro creditors supported a motion for Chapter 7 conversion, noting further financial difficulties. Then, pending installation of new upper management, the case was continued.

In August, the decision was again continued until Oct. 3, giving the newly appointed president and chief executive officer, Geoffrey Soule', time to take control. The October hearing resulted in a dismissal of the Chapter 7 motion and, citing positive financial progress, the case was taken off the calendar.

''Posting two profitable months in a row gives us an optimistic outlook toward Kaypro's future,'' noted Soule'. ''Many of our sales and operational strategies are beginning to take hold, producing some impressive results. I see no reason why Kaypro cannot maintain this positive trend.''

For September, Kaypro reported gross sales of $818,000 and a net profit of $41,000, the second profitable month in many years. September sales figures maintained August gains, which more than doubled July sales of $406,000. During the month of June, sales totaled $84,000. Soule' attributes this upward trend to several factors.

''Day-to-day operations at Kaypro have been streamlined considerably,'' explained Soule'. ''This has allowed us to accommodate volume orders from large mass merchandisers and to respond quickly to specialized retail dealers. These changes have resulted in higher sales figures and better profitability.''

With nearly four decades of experience in the high-tech/electronics industry, Kaypro is an internationally recognized brand name. Currently, Kaypro Corp. enjoys a user base of more than a half-million computer systems worldwide and markets a full line of microcomputers for businesses and individuals.

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JOPPA, MD (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Nov. 8, 1990, Merry-Go-Round Enterprises, Inc. (MGR/NYSE) today announced that sales for the four week period ending November 3, 1990 increased approximately 27 percent to $43.4 million from $34.2 million in the comparable period in October 1989. Same store sales for October 1990 increased approximately 19 percent.

Total sales for the third quarter ending November 3, 1990 increased 24 percent to $161.7 million from $130.1 million in the corresponding period last year. Same store sales for the third quarter increased approximately 18 percent.

Same store sales for October 1989 increased 30 percent.

Merry-Go-Round Enterprises, Inc. is a leading specialty apparel chain selling contemporary fashions for young men and women in over 640 retail stores in 37 states.

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CANTON, MA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Nov. 8, 1990, Hills Department Stores, Inc. (HDS/NYSE) today announced that total sales for the four- week period ended November 3, 1990 increased 10.6% to $178.8 million from $161.7 million for the corresponding period in 1989.

Same store sales for October 1990 increased 6.0%.

Sales for the third fiscal quarter ended November 3, 1990 increased 5.9% to $557.1 million from $526.1 million for the corresponding period a year ago. Same store sales increased 1.7%.

Sales for the thirty-nine week period ended November 3, 1990 increased 8.3% to $1,467.2 million from $1,354.2 million for the corresponding period a year ago. Same store sales increased 4.7% during this period.

Hills reported sales in fiscal 1989 based on a 53-week year. Consequently, the ending dates for 1990 fiscal months are one calendar week later than the corresponding 1989 fiscal month ending dates.

Had the Company reported results based on a 52-week year, the comparable quarter calendar period would have reflected an increase of 9.2% for total sales and an increase of 4.7% on a same store basis. Results for the comparable thirty-nine week calendar period would have reflected increases of 6.2% and 2.8%, respectively.

Hills Department Stores, Inc. is a discount store chain, operating in 14 states, with 214 locations compared with 204 stores a year ago.

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MIAMI (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Viral Research Corp. announced Thursday that it entered into a preliminary agreement with Biocor - Arm, a science productive cooperative organization located in Armenia, Soviet Union, for testing of AVR's product reticulose, on approximately 2000 people in Armenia.

AVR anticipates that the testing will be primarily on influenza patients. AVR has agreed to supply the necessary ampules of reticulose for testing, and Biocor - Arm has agreed to assume the expenses of the testing and to furnish AVR with the test results.

Commencement of testing is subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Armenia.

AVR also announced Thursday that its rescission offer to shareholders who exercised 6,766,350 ''B'' Warrants between May 1, 1987 and July 1, 1988 has expired. AVR will pay an aggregate of $2,330 to shareholders who exercised their recission right during the recission offering period.

For further information about AVR, contact William Bregman, secretary/treasurer, at Advanced Viral Research Corp., Dupont Plaza Center, 300 Biscayne Boulevard Way, Suite 724, Miami, Fla. 33131; telephone number 305/374-4847.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - URS Corp. (NYSE:URS) Thursday announced that it has successfully renegotiated debt agreements with Wells Fargo Bank that result in the company being in compliance with all financial covenants.

The company had previously announced that certain covenants had been violated due to the closure of its Mitchell Management Systems subsidiary in April 1990. Wells Fargo Bank had waived violations of non-financial covenants and agreed to forbear until Nov. 1 from enforcing its rights under the credit agreement.

As a result of negotiations between URS and Wells Fargo, the company's interest rate on $18,500,000 of revolving credit and short-term notes was increased by 1/2 percent to 2 percent over the bank's prime interest rate.

URS also announced that it has renegotiated the terms of the lease on its Cleveland, Ohio facility converting it from a capital to an operating lease. The change has a positive effect on the company's current financial condition and upon future operating results.

URS, through its subsidiary, URS Consultants Inc., is a nationwide consulting firm with 25 offices which provides planning, architectural, engineering and construction management services to a wide variety of public and private clients.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - CHIPS and Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CHPS) Thursday announced a programmable software accelerator CHIPSet which easily implements a high performance/low cost accelerator subsystem for both Industry Standard Architecture and Enhanced Industry Standard Architecture bus standards.

The Programmable Universal Micro Accelerator (PUMA) is a two chip CHIPSet which directly accelerates graphics intensive operations in applications software. PUMA functions like a co-processor: the microprocessor offloads to PUMA certain compute intensive software routines.

PUMA then sends the completed calculation directly to video memory. The result for the end user is a three- to ten-fold performance improvement for complex graphics functions. PUMA's operations are transparent to both the application software and the rest of the system.

At the Fall Comdex Show CHIPS demonstrated PUMA accelerating AutoCAD and the Windows 3.0 graphical user interface, as well as acceleration of WYSWIG printing on a laser printer under Windows 3.0. Additional functionality can be added to existing PUMA-based boards through software provided by CHIPS or third party software vendors.

At the heart of the PUMA CHIPSet is the 50 MHz 94C2001 PUMA-P processor. Using 64-bit wide microcode, PUMA-P can execute multiple operations in a single instruction which takes between two to five clock cycles.

Linking PUMA-P to the host system is the 94C2002 PUMA-I interface chip. PUMA-I has the capability to be a bus master on both the ISA and EISA buses, thus allowing PUMA-P to have complete access to the system's memory and input/output.

The PUMA architecture accelerates graphics without requiring a special frame buffer. PUMA can simply go through the bus and use the system's standard display adaptor, such as a Video Graphics Array or 8514/A-compatible video system.

The PUMA CHIPSet will be available for sampling in February 1991 and in production quantities in April 1991. Pricing for the ChipSet is $90 in volume quantities.

CHIPS and Technologies Inc. is the world's leading supplier of VLSI proprietary CHIPSets and software solutions of high-performance microcomputer systems based on evolving industry standards.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - ILC Technology Inc. reported sales from continuing operations of $25.6 million for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30 1990, up 16 percent from comparable sales of $22.0 million reported in fiscal 1989.

Income from continuing operations was $1.78 million in fiscal 1990 compared to $1.38 million in fiscal 1989. The company completed the divestiture of its United Detector Technology division during 1990, and reported net income from discontinued operations for the year of $393,000.

The loss from discontinued operations in 1989 was $3.04 million. The combined operations resulted in net income of $2.18 million, or 95 cents per share, for fiscal 1990 compared to a net loss of $1.66 million, or 75 cents per share, in fiscal 1989.

Sales from continuing operations for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $8.07 million compared to $5.48 million for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income from continuing operations was $726,000, or 32 cents per share, for the current quarter compared to $301,000, or 14 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the fourth quarter of 1990, net income from discontinued operations was $325,000, or 14 cents per share, and resulted from the tax benefit of utilization of net operating loss carry forwards, compared to a net loss of $1.17 million, or 53 cents per share, for the fourth quarter of 1989.

The combined operations resulted in net income of $1.05 million, or 46 cents per share, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 compared to a net loss of $871,000, or 39 cents, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

ILC manufactures high performance light source products including laser flash lamps, fiberscope illumination lamps, spacecraft lighting, film set lighting, and associated equipment. The company's light source products are principally used for industrial, military and medical solid state laser excitation and for aerospace and medical illumination applications.

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OWINGS MILLS, MD. (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Universal Security Instruments Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol: USEC) Thursday announced that it directors have approved the repurchase of up to 250,000 shares of the company's outstanding common stock from time to time at prices that the company deems appropriate in the market or in privately negotiated transactions.

The company believes that its stock is undervalued at current market prices and that the repurchase represents a sound investment for the company.

Universal Security Instruments Inc., design, manufactures and markets security video, and telecommunications products.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Jostens Learning Corp., the largest educational software publisher in the United States, recorded revenues of $121 million in the fiscal year ended June 30.

This figure represents a 41 percent increase from the previous fiscal year, making Jostens Learning the strongest performer in the Jostens Inc. family and positioning it into one of the biggest microcomputer software companies in the United States.

John Kernan, chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''The decade of the '90s holds exciting potential for Jostens Learning as America's schools accelerate the use of technology.''

With its technology-based systems now utilized by over 5,000 of the nation's elementary schools, Jostens Learning has strengthened its position as the market leader. The company was formed in May 1989 as a result of the merger between Education Systems Corp. and Prescription Learning Corp.

Highlights this year included release of the Compton's MultiMedia Encyclopedia developed in cooperation with Encyclopedia Britannica, and an investment in Optical Data Corp., the New Jersey-based producer, publisher and distributor of educational videodiscs and multimedia products.

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TAMPA, FL (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - History is coming to life from over a thousand feet below the ocean's surface.

Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology (NASDAQ:SDOT) working with Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institution has completed its initial phase of surveying and selectively recovering artifacts from its second deep water colonial Spanish era shipwreck.

According to expedition archaeologist, Robert Marx, the wreck appears to be Spanish from the early 1700s, and is located 50 miles east of St. Augustine, Fla. over 1000 feet deep.

Two cannons, a spyglass, copper cooking pots, ballast stones, leather, a mill stone and numerous cannonballs are among the first artifacts recovered from the wreck.

The predisturbance survey of the wreck site shows a dozen cannons on the surface. Some of the recovered cannonballs are too large for the visible cannons, so Seahawk expects to find additional larger cannons when full excavation begins next summer.

The predisturbance survey was conducted with Harbor Branch's Johnson Sea-Link submersible launched from the 165-foot R.V. Edwin Link. The Johnson Sea-Link is a 4-person submarine capable of working in depths up to 3000 feet. To mark where artifacts were removed, Harbor Branch designed a device called the ''Pez dispenser.''

Each time an artifact is picked up the dispenser shoots out a tiny steel weight, wrapped in florescent ribbon, with a numbered float attached. The ribbon unwraps and the number on the float points directly up about a foot above the weight, marking the spot for archaeological logging.

Full excavation of the shipwreck will be accomplished with Seahawk's remotely operated vehicle (ROV), Merlin, launched from the 200-foot Seahawk Retriever.

Currently Merlin and the Seahawk Retriever are excavating a colonial Spanish galleon in 1500 feet of water approximately 65 miles southwest of Key West, 20 miles south of the Dry Tortugas. That wreck appears to be from the 1622 fleet the same one as the famed Atocha, found by treasure hunter Mel Fisher.

To date the wreck has yielded dozens of gold bars, over 300 silver coins, three mariner's astrolabes, dozens of intact ''olive jars,'' and various one-of-a-kind artifacts such as an Italian-made ceramic plate with the Papal

seal on it, and a small silver fork with a Papal key stamped on it.

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AMSTELVEEN, THE NETHERLANDS (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - KLM traffic and capacity figures for October 1990 and the first seven months of the current financial year In millions of tonmiles

	October (Provisional)			
	1990	1989	Growth in Percentage	Scheduled flights
Passengers	144.4	133.7	+	8
Freight	129.7	121.3	+	7
Mail	4.9	4.8	+	2
Charter flights	0.1	0.0	+	101
Total traffic	279.1	259.8	+	7
Capacity available	382.6	355.4	+	8
Load factor in percentage	72.9	73.1		

	April through October			
	1990/91	1989/90	Growth in Percentage	
Scheduled flights				
Passengers	1,042.3	977.4	+	7
Freight	867.3	797.8	+	9
Mail	30.3	31.4	-	4
Charter flights	1.4	1.9	-	23
Total traffic	1,941.3	1,808.5	+	7
Capacity available	2,692.7	2,495.1	+	8
Load factor in percentage	72.1	72.5		

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MILPITAS, CA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Octel Communications Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:OCTL) and Tel Plus Communications, a Siemens company, Thursday announced the signing of a distribution and original equipment manufacturer

(OEM) agreement under which Tel Plus will purchase in excess of $20 million in Octel voice processing systems over a two-year period.

Under terms of the agreement, Tel Plus renews its contract to distribute Octel's six-product Aspen family of voice processing systems to new customers and its installed base in the United States. Tel Plus began distributing Octel systems in 1984.

Also under the agreement, Tel Plus for the first time will begin offering a small-capacity Octel voice processing system with its smaller private branch exchange (PBX) products. The OEM product is to be marketed as the Tel Plus Voice Processing Module (VPM) and sold with Siemen's HCM-200, Saturn 1, Saturn 2E and Saturn 3 PBX's.

Octel Communications Corp. designs, manufactures and markets a full line of high-performance voice processing systems. Octel's Aspen product line is sold in the United States, Canada and overseas to small businesses and large multisite corporations.

The Sierra multiple-application voice processing platform is a very large capacity system designed to meet the special needs of telephone companies and other voice information service providers. Octel was founded in 1982 and has headquarters in Milpitas.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Re Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:PXRE) Thursday announced results for the third quarter and nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The third quarter was profitable although the company's nine-month earnings continued to reflect the adverse effects of losses incurred from the European windstorms during the first quarter, the highly competitive pressures that exist in the insurance and reinsurance markets, and the increased cost of the company's ceded reinsurance.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $8,331,000 or 15 percent less than revenues of $9,833,000 for the same period last year, and reflected lower earned premiums in the current year.

Furthermore, the third quarter 1989 premiums contained substantial amounts of premiums charged to ceding companies to reinstate coverages exhausted by claims related to Hurricane Hugo. Net income for the quarter was $783,000 or 19 cents per share compared with $48,000 or 1 cent per share last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company's revenues declined 10 percent to $26,706,000 from $29,724,000 in the same period last year. The company reported a loss of $511,000 or 13 cents per share for the first nine months of 1990 versus net income of $3,006,000 or 74 cents per share in the year-earlier period.

Net premiums written for the third quarter were $7,146,000 or 15 percent less than the $8,418,000 reported in the same quarter last year. For the year to date, net premiums written were $21,256,000 compared with $24,069,000 for the year-earlier period, representing a reduction of 12 percent.

The statutory combined ratio for the first nine months was 119.9 percent and continued to improve relative to prior quarters. This compared with 102.9 percent for the same period last year.

The third quarter's combined ratio was 93.6 percent compared with 120.1 percent last year, reflecting the fact that catastrophe losses for the third quarter of 1990 were far less than those caused by Hurricane Hugo during the same period last year.

Phoenix Re provides reinsurance products and services to a national and international marketplace, with principal emphasis on commercial and personal property risks. The company's common shares trade on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol PXRE.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Verbatim Corp. Thursday introduces the second generation of rewritable optical disks.

The new 128MB capacity 3.5 inch rewritable optical disk is the most recent in a series of product introductions that include Verbatim 4MB floppy diskettes and 5.25 inch rewritable optical disks.

Verbatim's rewritable optical disks meet ISO standards for media compatibility and so will operate in all ISO standard 3.5 inch optical drives.

Just like the 5.25 inch rewritable from Verbatim, these disks have a proprietary layering system, making them virtually impervious to moisture, dirt, air pollution and extreme temperatures.

The media is structured for more than 1 million write/erase/read cycles. Optical disks have all the advantages of floppy diskettes -- removability,

portability and fast access to data -- yet one optical disk stores enough data to fill more than four 30MB hard drives.

Additionally, optical disks are much more durable than hard disks. This durability means that stored data is expected to last at least 10 years, and perhaps as long as 50 years on a Verbatim optical disk.

The capacity, random accessibility and durability of Verbatim optical disks make them ideal for unattended back-up; archival storage; document management; external memory for mainframes, minis, micros, word processors and local area networks; text and graphics filing systems; financial database storage; and desktop publishing and CAD libraries.

Verbatim Corp., headquartered in Charlotte, is a world leader in computer information storage products, including optical disks, floppy diskettes, reel tape and data cassettes and cartridges.

For more information about optical disk technology, write or call Verbatim Corp., 1200 W.T. Harris Blvd., Charlotte, N.C. 28262; 800/538-8589.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Winners Circle Inc. (NASDAQ:WNRS), which does business as High Five Sportwear, Thursday announced record sales for the month of October 1990.

The company, which designs, manufactures and sells apparel for the corporate and promotional industry, posted total sales of approximately $850,000 for the month of October, far outstripping its previous monthly record of approximately $600,000. The orders taken in October are expected to be shipped in November and December of this year.

Lester D. Abrams, the company's president, noted that October's results received a substantial boost from a $560,000 order of apparel by Paramount Home Video Corp.

He went on to voice his belief that the month's results reflected the return of Winners Circle's internal sales staff to the marketing of the company's products from diversions inherent in the completion of its initial public offering and the early stages of implementing its long-range business plan.

''Prior to the completion of our offering, Winners Circle had a very small sales and administrative staff, so that, when we were forced to focus on that transaction, there were only so many people to go around, and subsequently our sales suffered during that time,'' Abrams stated.

Winners Circle's core business involves the design, manufacture and sale of garments, including jackets, sweatshirts, sweatpants and T-shirts that carry the logo, slogans or other promotional messages of customers, such as Paramount Home Video, the Disney Cos., Wells Fargo Bank, Motown Records, the Los Angeles Lakers, MGM/UA, General Rent A Car, Warner Bros., BASF Corp. and a variety of ski companies.

The products are used to enhance the customers' image, sell their products and increase employee performance and morale. The company's initial public offering was consummated in late July of 1990.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - At the opening of the new NCR Corp. (NYSE:NCR) facility Thursday in Cincinnati, Mayor Charles Luken declared Nov. 8, ''NCR Day.''

Employing more than 120 people in its District Office, NCR has operated offices in Cincinnati for more than 70 years. The new NCR facility, located at 805 Central Ave., has 35,000 square feet and was designed by Glaser Associates. NCR, based in Dayton, Ohio, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information systems for worldwide markets.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Impact Systems Inc. (OTC:MPAC) Thursday announced that for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, it had net revenues of $4.9 million and a net loss of $1.2 million.

This compares to net revenues of $7.1 million and a net loss of $1 million for the comparable quarter of last year.

Revenues for the quarter were down from last year's comparable quarter due to the existing backlog which is heavily skewed to the fourth quarter.

Gross margins have increased reflecting significant progress on the newer products. Although only 2 percent higher than last year, gross margins would have been 45 percent this quarter had revenue levels been the same as last year.

This is a result of the allocation of certain manufacturing overhead costs on a lower shipment level. Operating expenses, although lower than last year's comparable quarter, were higher than the prior quarter as a result of the weakening of the U.S. dollar compared to foreign currencies, increased cost of travel, certain costs associated with the company's expansion into the Far East and non-recurring engineering material expenses.

Impact's products are sold on the basis of improved quality and efficiency of manufacturing during economic slowdowns, as well as increasing production during economic expansion periods.

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PHOENIX (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix-based America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) reported October 1990 traffic rose to 963,278,000 revenue passenger miles, or 47 percent over October 1989.

Available seat miles for the month rose 39.3 percent over last year to 1,662,685,000, producing a passenger load factor of 57.9 percent.

Peter Otradovec, vice president of planning, said: ''We continue to experience very positive growth trends in our traffic. For the first 10 months of 1990, our capacity has increased 35 percent while revenue passenger miles has surged 45.4 percent. Correspondingly, America West's year-to-date passenger load factor has increased to 61.5 percent from 57.1 percent in 1989.''

America West currently operates a modern, fuel-efficient fleet of 96 aircraft including Boeing 747s, 757s, 737s and de Havilland Dash 8s. The airline employs more than 14,000 people in its 60-city route network which stretches from coast to coast and across the Pacific to Honolulu, Hawaii. The carrier recently received Department of Transportation authority to provide service between Honolulu and Nagoya, Japan.

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NASHVILLE, TN (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Jerome S. Tannenbaum, president and chief executive officer of REN Corporation-USA (NASDAQ/NMS:RENL), Thursday announced the opening of two REN Centers in Florida and one in Kentucky.

These additions bring to 27 the number of centers owned or managed by REN throughout the Southeast and Southwest.

REN Center - Sarasota is a newly developed, 17-station facility which received Medicare certification on Oct. 31, 1990. The facility in Boca Raton has 15 stations and was Medicare certified on Nov. 7, 1990.

REN Center - Hopkinsville, the first REN facility in Kentucky, was acquired from a local hospital and currently has six stations, serving 40 patients. To date in this calendar year, the company has added 12 dialysis facilities.

The new facilities in Sarasota and Boca Raton increase to four the number of centers owned or operated by REN in Florida. REN presently operates centers in Daytona Beach and Orlando. Robert Colton, M.D. and Robert Sonneborn, M.D. will serve as Medical Directors of REN Center - Boca Raton. Steve Weinreb, M.D. will serve as Medical Director of REN Center - Sarasota.

REN Center - Hopkinsville was acquired from the Jennie Stuart Medical Center. REN plans to build a freestanding dialysis center near the hospital in the near future. The projected facility will have 16 dialysis stations in a 5,000-square-foot building. The Medical Director for REN Center - Hopkinsville is Dr. Sam Traughber, who has practiced in the area for over 15 years.

REN Corporation - USA is engaged primarily in providing renal dialysis services to patients suffering from chronic kidney failure. Dialysis services are provided principally at the company's 27 freestanding outpatient REN Centers located in 10 states. The company also provides outpatient dialysis services to patients in their homes and inpatient dialysis services through contracts with 20 hospitals.

In addition, the company performs blood, tissue and urine testing services for its REN Centers, as well as for independent physicians and industry, at its three clinical laboratories. The company's common stock is included in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''RENL.''

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Genzyme Corp. (NASDAQ;GENZ) Thursday announced that it has signed an agreement with Japanese partners establishing a joint venture to develop and sell pharmaceutical proteins produced by high-yield transgenic animal production systems.

The joint venture will be owned 75 percent by the Japanese partners and 25 percent by Genzyme. The shareholder's initial capital contribution to the joint venture will amount to approximately $4 million and will be increased to approximately $7 million over a three year period.

Genzyme Corp. has achieved international recognition as a world leader in the development of transgenic animals for the production of human pharmaceutical proteins. This technology involves the microinjection into embryos of livestock species of genetic material (DNA), which encodes a foreign protein and regulates protein production in the mammary gland. These embryos are transferred to recipient mothers for gestation.

The resultant offspring, upon maturation and breeding, then secrete the foreign protein into their milk. The proteins are then purified from the milk and packaged as pharmaceuticals. It is expected that the development of this technology will enable the low cost production of large quantities of therapeutic proteins which are complex and expensive to produce by current methods.

In 1987, the company was the first to report that it had succeeded in developing transgenic mice which produce human tissue plasminogen activator in their milk. This valuable cardiovascular protein is used to treat heart attacks. Using a mouse model system, the company has since achieved levels of expression which greatly exceed those obtained to date by standards methods. Genzyme is currently developing transgenic goats for the commercial production of medically important proteins.

The joint venture has been granted an exclusive license to employ Genzyme's proprietary transgenic to produce proteins in East Asia. The joint venture will also have rights in East Asia and Europe to market proteins produced using the licensed technology. Upon incorporation, the joint venture will contract Genzyme to conduct a three-year R&D program to develop transgenic technology for the production of certain pharmaceutical proteins including a protein to combat intravascular coagulation.

Genzyme will receive approximately $5.9 million in research support payments over three years as well as milestone payments for certain technical achievements.

Genzyme Corp. is a diversified human health care products company that has a distinctive industry position based on its product development and operating strengths in three major business areas: biotherapeutics, diagnostic products and services; and pharmaceuticals and fine chemicals.

The company is headquartered in Cambridge, Mass. Production and research facilities are located in Cambridge and Framingham, Mass., and in Maidstone and Haverhill, England and the company's international sales and marketing office is located in Tokyo.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Newly formed Nexel Corp. announced this week the make-up of its management team and product development plans for the next year.

The new company was incorporated in the state of California in 1990. It is privately held by co-founders S.Y. Kuo, vice president of engineering, Kent Marshall, chairman, Mike Raghavan, president and Wes Sage, vice president of administration.

The first product, the SY380SX, is a cache memory controller ASIC (Application Specific Integrated Circuit) designed to improve the performance of Intel 80386SX systems and motherboards.

The second product is a single chip, integrated cache controller with the same core as the SY380SX; it is designed to upgrade existing 286 ATs and PS/2s to 80386SX systems with up to 64K bytes of cache. Four additional caching and performance enhancement products for 386SX, 386DX, 486 and SPARK microprocessors are planned for release over the next two years.

Nexel is currently self-funded, operating from offices in Santa Clara. Product sales are aimed at OEMs (Original Equipment Manufacturers) via representatives and distributors. Custom ASICs and board level solutions will be developed to meet large OEM requirements. Licensing of Nexel technology will be also offered to key strategic partners.

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KENILWORTH, NJ (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Harmonia Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:HBCI), the parent company for Harmonia Savings Bank, announced Thursday that it has completed a previously announced stock repurchase program involving 5 percent, or 237,500 shares, of the company's outstanding common stock.

As a result of the repurchase, Harmonia Bancorp now has 4,512,500 shares outstanding.

The company also said that its board of directors has authorized an additional stock repurchase program for up to 237,500 shares, or approximately 5.26 percent, of its outstanding 4,512,500 shares of common stock. The repurchases will be made from time to time in open market or privately negotiated transactions, based on then current market prices.

In making the announcement, Walter D. Tombs, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, '' Despite the prevailing regional and local economic downturn, Harmonia continues to be profitable and well capitalized. At the end of October 1990, Harmonia's net worth to total assets ratio was 12.54 percent. The board of directors' decision to undertake an additional buyback program reflects this, and demonstrates our confidence in Harmonia as an attractive investment value, particularly at current price levels.''

Through its principal subsidiary, the $699 million-asset Harmonia Savings Bank Harmonia Bancorp Inc., operates 20 offices in five central New Jersey counties. Organized in 1851, Harmonia provides traditional savings bank products and services complemented by multifamily residential loans and home equity lending.

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DARIEN, CT (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - EXECUTONE Information Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:XTON) Thursday announced results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reported revenues of $70.6 million, operating income of $4.1 million and net income of $186,000, or 1 cent per share. For the same period in 1989, the company had revenues of $70 million, operating income of $4.1 million and net income of $175,000, or 1 cent per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported revenues of $212.8 million, operating income of $11.6 million and net income of $431,000,

or 1 cent per share.

The comparable 1989 amounts were revenues of $219.3 million, operating income of $12.6 million and net income of $1.1 million or 4 cents per share. The 1990 year-to-date numbers reflect increased costs of $2.8 million for antidumping duties and $1.1 million of interest costs and goodwill amortization.

Alan Kessman, president and chief executive officer, stated: ''In light of the general economic condition of both the customer premise equipment industry and the U.S. economy in general, it is prudent for us to review any and all alternatives to reduce our debt service.

Kessman reported that EXECUTONE is in discussions with Contel Corp. regarding a renegotiation of the $36 million note of the company which was issued in connection with the company's acquisition of Contel Business Systems from Contel in 1988.

Kessman also stated that the company has engaged in preliminary discussions regarding exchanging or financing the repurchase of some or all of the $34.5 million face amount 7 1/2 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2011.

EXECUTONE Information Systems Inc. designs, manufactures, sells, installs and services voice and data communications equipment for businesses with under 300 desktops, and is the leading supplier of specialized hospital communications equipment.

Products are sold under the EXECUTONE, ISOETEC and INFOSTAR brand names through a nationwide network of direct sales and service offices and independent distributors.

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BENTONVILLE, AR (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Wal-Mart Stores Inc. (NYSE,PSE:WMT) Thursday reported net retail sales for the month of October of $2,729,000,000, an increase of 25 percent from sales of $2,187,000,000 in the same period a year eariler.

For the nine months ended Oct. 31, sales increased 26 percent to $22,243,000,000 from $17,703,000,000 for the same period a year ago.

Same store sales increased 10 percent for the month of October and 11 percent for the nine months ended Oct. 31.

The company had 1,503 Wal-Mart stores (includes five Supercenter stores), 141 Sam's clubs and four Hypermart USA units in operation at Oct. 31, compared with 1,347 Wal-Mart stores (includes three Supercenter stores), 118 Sam's clubs, 14 dot Discount Drug stores and three Hypermart USA units a year ago.

Wal-Mart operates in a 34-state trade area and its securities are listed on the New York and Pacific stock exchanges.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Dayton Hudson Corporation today reported that its net retail sales for the four weeks ended November 3, 1990 increased 16.7 percent to $1.13 billion from $969 million a year ago.

Comparable-store sales were up 4.1 percent on the 1990 accounting calendar. Comparable-store sales on an adjusted exact-week comparison were up 2.4 percent.

Kenneth A. Macke, Dayton Hudson chairman and chief executive officer, said the tone of business continues to show mixed results across the country.

Macke said that because of the weakened economic environment, ''we were more promotional and our margins were lower than we had planned. As a result, our third quarter profits will be down from third quarter of last year.

''The most important part of our year is still ahead and our inventories are well-controlled going into the holiday season,'' Macke said.

During the month, Target opened seven new stores in California, Indiana, Michigan and Washington. Mervyn's opened five new stores in Arizona and California and relocated one store in Texas.

The Corporation's sales for the 39 weeks ended November 3 were $9.70 billion, up 13.8 percent from $8.53 billion in the same period a year ago. Comparable-store sales for the 39-week period were up 4.7 percent compared to the same period last year.

As of November 3, 1990, Dayton Hudson operated 708 stores in 33 states.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Designs Inc. (NASDAQ: DESI), operator of specialty retail stores that sell exclusively Levi Strauss & Co. clothing and accessories, announced Thursday that sales for the four weeks of October ending Oct. 27, 1990 increased to $9.0 million in the current year from $6.2 million for the same period in the prior year, representing an increase of 46 percent.

These figures include the 21 stores opened since the end of October last year. For the third quarter ending Oct. 27, 1990 sales of $35.6 million have increased 50 percent over last year's sales of $23.8 million. For the first nine months of the current fiscal year sales were $80.3 million compared with $51.1 million in the prior fiscal year, representing an increase of 57 percent.

Comparable store sales increased one percent for October, 9 percent for the quarter and 12 percent for the year to date compared with the corresponding periods in the prior fiscal year. Comparable stores are retail locations that were open a full fiscal year. Of the 102 stores that Designs Inc. operates, 59 are comparable stores.

In making the announcement, Geoffrey M. Holczer, vice president and treasurer, said, "We recently completed the current year's expansion with our 102nd store opening in Traverse City, Mich. This was the sixteenth store we opened this year. We have achieved our near term goal of building a 100 store chain and we are very pleased with the results thus far this year.

"The sales for the quarter are excellent and we look for a significant improvement over last year's earnings results. At this point we hope to achieve third quarter earnings of 30 cents per share versus ten cents per share for the quarter last year. This would make us profitable at the end of the nine months compared with a 30 cents per share loss after three quarters last year.

"As should be expected, we are entering the Holiday season cautiously as we believe it will again be a promotional year. We do feel that we are well positioned to do business in the current environment."

Designs Inc.'s 70 traditional stores and 32 outlet stores sell exclusively Levi Strauss & Co. clothing and accessories under the "Designs exclusively Levi Strauss & Co." and "Specials exclusively Levi Strauss & Co." names. The stores are located in enclosed regional shopping malls and outlet parks in 26 states throughout the eastern half of the country.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The Neiman Marcus Group Inc. (NYSE:NMG) Thursday reported the following preliminary revenues:

Four weeks ended

	Nov. 3, 1990-(a)	Nov. 4, 1989-(b)	Percent Change
Total revenues	$136.1 million	$129.7 million	+ 4.9%
Comparable revenues	$128.4 million	$129.7 million	- 1.0%

13 weeks ended

	Nov. 3, 1990-(a)	Nov. 4, 1989-(b)	Percent Change
Total revenues	$426.0 million	$407.5 million	+ 4.5%
Comparable revenues	$399.6 million	$407.5 million	- 1.9%

(a)-Fiscal year ends Aug. 3, 1991.

(b)-For comparative purposes, prior year periods have been restated to conform to current year calendar periods.

The Neiman Marcus Group is a leading specialty retailer. Its three divisions are Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman, and Contempo Casuals.

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NORTHBROOK, IL (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - General Binding Corp. (NASDAQ:GBND) and VeloBind Inc. (NASDAQ:VBND) Thursday announced that, in response to the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act Notifications filed in connection with their proposed merger, they had each received from the Department of Justice a request for additional information.

Both companies plan to respond to the requests as expeditiously as practical and both expressed confidence that the proposed merger will proceed as planned.

The two companies had previously announced on Sept. 24, 1990, that they had entered into a merger agreement under which GBND would acquire VBND for an aggregate consideration of $50 million, or $9.77 per VBND share.

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FARMINDALE, NY (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The following is a summary of earnings for P&F Industries Inc.

P&F Industries Inc.
Summary of Earnings

	For the Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		For the Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 9,451,357	$ 18,147,976	$ 32,436,219	$ 49,054,276
Pre-tax income	$ 132,465	$ 783,608	$ 455,487	$ 1,932,804
Taxes on income	73,000	296,000	207,000	824,000
Net income	$ 59,465	$ 487,608	$ 248,487	$ 1,108,804
Weighted average number of Class A common shares considered outstanding	2,262,497	2,584,815	2,402,655	2,510,556
Earnings (loss) per Class A common share (a)	($.02)	$ .15	($.03)	$ .31

Note (a) -- After dividends on preferred stock.

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JACKSON, MS (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - LDDS Communications Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:LDDSA) Thursday reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales increased 39 percent to $42,678,000 compared with $30,718,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Net income more than doubled to $2,885,000 from $1,342,000, before an extraordinary charge, in the year-earlier period.

Earnings amounted to 35 cents per share, up 94 percent from 18 cents per share before the extraordinary item, in the same quarter last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales increased 46 percent to $113,785,000 compared with $77,851,000 in the first nine months of 1989. Net income rose 135 percent to $6,503,000, or 79 cents per share, compared with

$2,763,000, or 42 cents per share, before an extraordinary item, a year ago.

LDDS is one of the largest regional long distance companies in the United States and provides long distance service to customers located in 12 contiguous states in the South and Midwest. The company offers its customers 24-hour long distance service to all points in the United States and many foreign countries.

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TOKYO (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Thursday announced the reorganization of its Japanese subsidiary to reflect the company's expanded range of voice, data and videoconferencing products and services available in the Japanese market.

Sprint Japan Inc. (SJI), as the subsidiary will now be known, succeeds Telenet Japan Inc., which has marketed packet-switching data networks, electronic messaging services known as SprintMail(sm) and data network services in Japan since 1986.

Two of Sprint's expanded telecommunications services now available in Japan are:

--Sprint Express(sm), which lets customers make operator-assisted long distance calls from Japan to the United States at significant savings. The service provides a direct connection to US Sprint operators in the United States, avoiding the inconvenience of different currencies, dialing patterns or languages.

--International toll-free service, an important marketing tool for Japanese and American businesses that need to provide easy access to overseas customers.

SJI, which entered the Japanese market initially as a provider of Type II or value-added data services, is also responsible for carrier relations for Japan's Type I carriers.

In addition, the Japanese subsidiary also operates access nodes in Tokyo, Nagoya and Osaka for the SprintNet(sm) international data network. And it is a partner with INTEC and Sumitomo Corp. in Ace Telemail International Inc., a joint venture company which markets a wide range of message handling services to major Japanese customers.

Increasingly, however, voice and videoconferencing services have assumed greater importance in the Japanese market. Earlier this year, US Sprint

initiated a pioneering bilingual service for telephone calls to and from the United States for Japanese customers of JCB International Co. Ltd., the largest credit card company in Japan, and other leading card firms.

Sprint International will participate as well in the development of the fiber-optic Asia Pacific Cable (APC) stretching from Tokyo to Singapore. In addition, the three Tokyo public rooms are accessible through the Sprint Meeting Channel(sm) videoconferencing service which has a network of more than 725 rooms in 26 nations.

Sprint International is the international subsidiary of US Sprint.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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RICHMOND, VA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. (NASDAQ: HRHC) announced Thursday that, in view of market conditions, its board of directors has authorized the corporation to purchase up to 400,000 shares of its common stock in open market or private transactions, or both.

According to Robert H. Hilb, president of Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co.: ''The timing of the purchases and the number of shares actually acquired, if any, will depend on subsequent developments and corporate needs and, if or when commenced, the purchases may be discontinued or interrupted from time to time.''

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. provides insurance agency services to a wide variety of clients through its network of wholly owned subsidiaries which operate 40 insurance agencies in 16 states and the District of Columbia. The company is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol HRHC.

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GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Craftmade International, Inc. (NASDAQ:CRFT), Thursday announced results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended September 30, 1990.

Net sales for the first quarter of 1991 increased 49% to $4,704,697 from $3,149,798 in the same quarter last year. Net income in the current period was $35,913 or $.01 per share, as compared to net income of $143,436 or $.06 per share in the first quarter of 1990.

Earnings per share calculations for the first quarter of 1991 were based on 3,289,825 weighted average shares outstanding, compared to 2,353,500 shares outstanding in the first quarter of 1990. The increase in the weighted average number of shares outstanding was the result of the Company's initial public offering in February 1990.

The increase in sales for the quarter is primarily due to a higher level of sales of CraftmadeR brand ceiling fans and accessories, and the addition of sales at Craftmade's subsidiary, Durocraft Design, which was acquired in July 1990.

Net income in the first quarter of 1991 declined due to several substantial, one-time charges; these include expenses associated with Craftmade's relocation in September 1990 to a larger facility; and costs related to the acquisition of Durocraft, and the subsequent integration of Durocraft into Craftmade's operations.

James L. Ridings, President, commented, ''We are pleased to report that sales of Craftmade products continued to rise in the first quarter. While the expenses we incurred in expanding our facilities and product line through the acquisition of Durocraft impacted net income in the period, we believe that we made sound investments in our future growth. Durocraft began contributing to sales in the first quarter, although the Company operated at a loss during the period. This situation has been turned around and Durocraft became profitable in October. We are confident that we will begin to see a profitable return on our investments in the second quarter of 1991.''

Craftmade International, Inc. is engaged in the design, distribution and marketing of ceiling fans, light kits and accessories manufactured to its specifications. The Company currently markets 87 basic models of ceiling fans and 32 lighting fixture models under its CraftmadeR brand to over 1,000 retail outlets. The Company's Durocraft Design subsidiary is a specialty lamp manufacturer.

CRAFTMADE INTERNATIONAL, INC.
Statement of Income

	First Quarter Ended March 31,	
	1990	1989

Net Sales	$4,704,697	$3,149,798
Income Before Income Taxes	45,411	209,184
Income Tax Provision	9,498	65,748
Net Income	$ 35,913	$ 143,436
Earnings per Share	$.01	$.06
Average Number of Shares Used in Computing Per Share Amounts	3,289,825	2,353,500

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Thursday announced that it has signed an agreement with Allstate Motor Club, a division of Allstate Insurance Company, part of the Sears family of companies, to offer discounted long distance services for its 1.6 million members nationwide.

Discounts on the long distance services included in the Allstate Motor Club member program are Dial 1, US Sprint's basic long distance service and FONCARD US Sprint's travel card which allows the user to charge calls from any phone, even rotary.

Allstate Motor Club headquartered in Arlington Heights, Ill. will promote the new long distance services included in the US Sprint association program to its members in the Winter issue of Discovery, the quarterly publication received by Allstate Motor Club members.

The US Sprint Intermediaries Marketing Group, headquartered in Kansas City, was formed in 1988 to encourage and support distribution of US Sprint's products and services through third parties. These relationships include independent contractors and companies who are authorized to act as sales agents, long distance resellers, and the growing area of affinity marketing.

Selling through intermediaries is an increasingly more important method of distribution in the fast-growing telecommunications industry.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services over the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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Steve Dykes, 202/828-7435; after 7 p.m. 703/242-1769 or
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Allstate Motor Club, Arlington Heights
Brian Leline, 708/632-8631

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STAMFORD, VT (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Patten Corp. (NYSE:PAT) Thursday reported operating results for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Second quarter sales of real estate were $22.1 million compared to $33.6 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and Oct. 1, 1989, respectively. Net loss for three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $2.7 million or $(.16) per share. Net income for the three months ended Oct. 1, 1989 was $1.2 million or $.07 per share.

The soft real estate market in the Northeast led to a decrease in sales volume and lower gross margins. The downturn in the market for real estate, and the economy in general, has had an adverse effect on the company's ability to sell inventory at historical rates of sales and margins. The effects of economic and real estate market fluctuations in the Northeast continue to be balanced by the company's operations in the Southeast, Mid-Atlantic and the West.

General and administrative expenses have been reduced by 25.6 percent for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared with the three months ended Oct. 1, 1989 in order to offset lower volume of real estate sales and lower gross margins.

PATTEN CORP.
Second Quarter Earnings Report
Period Ended Sept. 30, 1990
(In thousands except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	Second Quarter		Six Months	
	FY 1991	FY 1990	FY 1991	FY 1990
Sales of real estate	$22,109	$33,550	$41,563	$58,688
Interest income	4,450	4,910	8,876	10,512
Total revenues	$26,559	$38,460	$50,439	$69,200
Income before income taxes and cumulative effect of a change in method of accounting for income taxes	(4,211)	2,224	(7,810)	(835)
Benefit (provision) for income taxes	1,558	(986)	2,890	356
Cumulative effect of a change in method of accounting for income taxes	--	--	--	2,500

Net income	$(2,653)	$1,238	$(4,920)	$2,021
EPS - primary: Income before cumulative effect of a change in method of accounting for income taxes	$(0.16)	0.07	$ (0.29)	$(0.03)
Cumulative effect of a change in method of accounting for income taxes	--	--	--	0.15
Net income	$(0.16)	$0.07	$ (0.29)	$ 0.12
EPS - fully diluted: Income before cumulative effect of a change in method of accounting for income taxes	$(0.16)	0.07	$ (0.29)	$(0.03)
Cumulative effect of a change in method of accounting for income taxes	--	--	--	0.15
Net income	$(0.16)	$0.07	$ (0.29)	$ 0.12
Weighted avg. number of common and common equivalent shares used to calculate primary net income (loss) per common share	17,037,810	17,076,951	17,037,810	17,017,763

CONTACT: Patten Corp., Stamford
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COLUMBUS, OH (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated Stores Corp. (NYSE:CNS) Thursday reported that for the month ended Nov. 3, retail sales totaled $63.5 million, up 15.5 percent from $55.0 million a year earlier.

Consolidated Stores also reported that sales for comparable stores open at least two years rose 12.5 percent in October.

Retail sales for the nine months of fiscal 1990 were $452.9 million, up 16.0 percent from $390.4 million a year earlier. Comparable sales for the nine months were up 10.9 percent.

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William B. Snow, 614/278-6800

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BALTIMORE (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Allied Research Corp. (NASDAQ:ARAI) reports that its Barnes & Reinecke Inc. subsidiary received a total of $4.8 million in new orders during a recent one-week period.

All of the orders were from the U.S. Army.

BRI specializes in advanced design and engineering management of sophisticated defense vehicles and systems.

New orders from the U.S. Army Tank Command (TACOM) accounted for most of the business. TACOM awarded contracts to BRI for Systems Technical Support for:

-- M88A1 Medium Recovery Vehicles

-- M551A1 Armored Reconnaissance/Airborne Recovery Vehicles

-- M969 5,000 gallon tankers -- Heavy duty vehicle trailers

Also, TACOM awarded Barnes & Reinecke a contract calling for the production of the driver's master panel assembly for the Army's Main Battle Tank, the M1 Abrams.

Additionally, the U.S. Army's Rock Island Arsenal awarded BRI a contract to manufacture the drive assembly for the 20mm cannon portion of the Vulcan Air Defense System.

The Vulcan Air Defense System provides mobile air defense production for U.S. Army units.

In October, Allied Research reported that its BRI subsidiary had received a contract from the U.S. Army's Picatinny Arsenal calling for delivery of test quantities of Allied Research's bullet trap rifle grenades for evaluation. Some 35 countries throughout the world already use the Allied Research rifle grenades.

Allied Research is a leading developer and producer of ammunition systems, supplier of engineering services to defense departments worldwide and designer of advanced products and systems for industry.

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Richard Farrell, 914/234-9500

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PEABODY, MASS. (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Hyde Athletic Industries Inc. has announced its financial results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Gross revenues for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $15,223,000 compared to gross revenues of $14,630,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income was $441,000 versus $184,000-a for the comparable period in 1989. Net income per share showed a gain of 16 cents in 1990 compared to 7 cents-a for the same quarterly period in 1989.

Hyde Athletic Industries Inc.
Summary of Operations
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30.	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Gross revenues	$15,223,000	$14,630,000	$46,867,000	$46,026,000
Net income (loss)	441,000	184,000-a	1,291,000	(346,000)-a
Net income (loss) per share	$0.16	$0.07-a	$0.47	$(0.13)-a
Average number of shares outstanding	2,761,967	2,761,967	2,761,967	2,761,967

-a: Restated to reflect the company's change in its method of accounting for Inventory.

Increased demand for the company's Saucony products overseas and the increasing demand for its children's roller skate products have been key to the increases in sales for the third quarter.

Planned reductions in selling, general and administrative expenses have reduced the company's operating expenses and are reflected in the company's three-month and nine-month net income figures.

Hyde Athletic Industries Inc., a Peabody, Mass.-based corporation, is the manufacturer of Hyde, Saucony, and Spot-bilt athletic footwear, and Brookfield children's sporting goods. Stock is traded over-the-counter in NASDAQ National Market; symbol HYDE.

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Charles A. Gottesman, 508/532-9000

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PORTSMOUTH, NH (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Portsmouth Bank Shares Inc., Portsmouth, N.H. (NASDAQ:POBS) declared a $.12 per share regular quarterly dividend that will be payable on Dec. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 1, 1990.

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Donald H. Sargent, 603/436-6630

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TORONTO (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Telecom Limited (NYSE:NT) and STC PLC jointly announced Thursday in London that they have agreed upon an offer to be made by Northern Telecom to buy all outstanding ordinary 25 pence shares of STC PLC, other than the 27.1 percent currently owned by Northern Telecom, at a price of 317 pence per share.

The Northern Telecom offer amounts to approximately 1.3 billion pounds ($2.6 billion).

Under the terms of the offer, STC PLC shareholders will also receive a second interim dividend of 10 pence (net) in the event that the offer becomes wholly unconditional. The offer is conditional on, among other things, the completion of the disposal of 80 percent of STC International Computers Limited (ICL) to Fujitsu Limited which is expected to take place on Nov. 30, 1990.

The value of the offer to STC shareholders, assuming full exercise of options under the STC stock option schemes, together with the second interim dividend, is approximately 1.9 billion pounds.

Northern Telecom Limited currently holds 152,020,360 ordinary shares of STC PLC, representing approximately 27.1 percent of STC PLC's current issued ordinary share capital.

The board of STC PLC, with the exception of Paul G. Stern and Edmund B. Fitzgerald who are Northern Telecom's representatives on STC's board, will unanimously recommend that STC shareholders accept the offer.

STC PLC shareholders who accept Northern Telecom Limited's offer will be given the opportunity to elect to receive loan notes, instead of cash, for all or part of the consideration to which they are entitled under the offer. This loan note alternative will not be available to shareholders who are resident in North America.

The offer will be made by Baring Brothers & Co., Limited on behalf of Northern Telecom Limited. Northern Telecom Limited reserves the right for the offer to be made on behalf of any wholly owned subsidiary of Northern Telecom Limited. Financing has been underwritten by a group of banks comprising Barclays Bank PLC, Citibank N.A., Royal Bank of Canada and Toronto Dominion Bank.

STC PLC is a leading United Kingdom communications company. Established over 100 years ago, STC PLC was a wholly owned subsidiary of ITT Inc. until 1979 when STC PLC was floated on The London Stock Exchange. In July, STC PLC announced the sale of 80 percent of its interest in its ICL information systems subsidiary to Fujitsu Limited. The sale is expected to be completed on Nov. 30, 1990.

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WILMINGTON, DE (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - A price increase of 5 cents per pound on all grades of polypropylene was announced Thursday by HIMONT U.S.A. Inc.

The increase is effective Dec. 1, 1990.

In making the announcement, Kenneth F. Dowd, director of marketing said, ''Large monthly increases in feedstock costs have become an increasing concern and we are doing everything possible to reduce the impact of these increases on our customers. For example, this increase is less than the total of the monomer and energy price increases we received in November and expect to receive in December. Further, we intend to hold at the December 1 price for 60 days thereafter unless there is a drastic change in costs during that period.''

HIMONT U.S.A. Inc., a subsidiary of HIMONT Inc., is a leading domestic producer and marketer of a broad line of polypropylene resins for packaging, fiber, automotive appliance and consumer products.

Himont, a Montedison/Ferruzzi company, is the world's leading producer of a broad range of specialty composites, alloys and advanced materials. Himont is the leading licensor of technology related to the production of polypropylene and also develops and markets catalysts used in its manufacture.

The Ferruzzi Group is a leading international industrial system which operates in the chemical, pharmaceutical and energy sectors through Montedison and in the agro-industrial sector through Eridania, which an aggregate turnover of approximately 40 billion U.S. dollars.

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RYE, NY (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Melville Corp., a specialty retailer of apparel, prescription drugs, health and beauty aids, footwear, toys and household furnishings, Thursday reported retail store sales for the fiscal month and 43 week and 6 day periods ended Nov. 3, and the comparable periods last year.

Retail store sales for the four weeks ended Nov. 3, were $689,996,000, an increase of 21.9 percent over sales of $565,838,000 for the four week period last year.

Retail store sales for the 43 week and 6 day period ended Nov. 3, increased 12.7 percent to $6,449,002,000 compared to $5,721,319,000 for the comparable period last year.

The reported October sales include the sales of Circus World Toy Stores and Peoples Drug Stores, incorporated and subsidiaries which were acquired on Aug. 17 and Sept. 17, respectively. Had the sales of these entities been excluded from consolidated sales as reported, sales would have increased by 7.9 percent and 10.1 percent for the four week and 43 week and 6 day periods ended Nov. 3, respectively.

Sales generated from assets held for sale, however, have been excluded from the amounts reported.

As of Nov. 3, after excluding the sales of the assets held for sale, the sales results of 7,715 stores and leased departments were included in the amounts reported, an increase of 12.5 percent from the 1989 total of 6,858.

Melville specialty retail chains, with stores located across the country, include Marshalls, the off-price brand name apparel chain; Chess King, the young men's apparel chain; Wilsons, in leather apparel; Bob's, the casual family apparel and footwear chain; Accessory Lady, the quality fashion accessory stores; CVS and Peoples, the prescription drugs, health and beauty aids chain; Freddy's, the ''deep discount'' drug and sundries stores; Thom McAn, Fan Club and the Meldisco Leased Department division in footwear; the Kay-Bee toy chain; Linens 'N Things, the brand name linens and domestics chain; This End Up, the casual furniture stores; and Prints Plus, the prints and wall decor stores.

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Robert D. Huth, 914/925-4000

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TORONTO (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Nov. 8, British Gas (NYSE:BRG) has announced that it has been notified that the Government of Ontario has approved its application to make an offer for all the outstanding common shares of The Consumers' Gas Company Ltd. of Toronto.

The approval of the Ontario cabinet, acting as the Lieutenant Governor in Council, is subject to British Gas accepting a number of undertakings, including substantially those recommended by the Ontario Energy Board in its report issued Oct. 26. British Gas has accepted those undertakings.

The undertakings agreed to by British Gas relate to research and development, employment levels and the re-establishment and maintenance of a public float in Consumers' Gas shares.

The proposed British Gas offer for Consumers' Gas shares remains subject to approval by Investment Canada.

British Gas has agreed to: o Research and development expenditures in Ontario of $30 million by Dec. 31, 2000, to focus on the efficient and environmentally friendly use of natural gas. o Create a $5 million venture capital fund to invest in Ontario energy and environmental technology over the next five years. If the fund is fully invested at that time, it will invest another $5 million over the following five years. o Make available at least $50 million in capital for investment over the next 10 years in economically viable cogeneration projects in Ontario, selected by British Gas. o Limit its participation in additional Consumers' Gas common equity issues to a maximum of 50 percent until the year 2000. o Encourage Consumers' Gas in an aggressive approach to energy efficiency. o Undertake that there will be no reduction in employment at Consumers' Gas as a result of the acquisition by British Gas.

British Gas announced its offer for the 32.6 million common shares of Consumers' Gas on March 7. At that time, GW Utilities Limited of Toronto, which owns approximately 82 percent of the common shares, agreed to tender its shares to the offer. In view of the extended period of time necessary to receive regulatory approval, the date for interest, net of dividends, on the $34-per-share purchase price has been changed from Aug. 20, to Nov. 20, 1990.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers.

British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore. Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to 10 ordinary shares.

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GREENBELT, MD (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Group 1 Software (NASDAQ/NMS: GSOF) Thursday announced the highest fiscal second quarter revenue and earnings in its history, for the quarter ended September 30, 1990.

Revenue increased 21 percent to $5,541,000, from $4,578,000 for the comparable period the prior year. Net earnings increased 21 percent to $639,000, or $0.15

per share, versus $526,000, or $0.13 per share, reported the prior year.

For the six months ended September 30, 1990, revenue totalled $10,463,000 compared with $9,311,000 reported for the same period in fiscal 1989. Net earnings were $1,386,000, or $0.33 per share, compared with $1,216,000, or $0.29 per share, a year earlier.

Commenting on the results, Robert S. Bowen, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Group 1 Software, said, "The Company's record second quarter results are attributable to continued market strength in Group 1's software products for mainframe computers, plus strong early results for our new software for IBM's AS/400 midrange computers.

"These new products, together with additional new software packages, to be introduced shortly, for use with multiple computer platforms, represent major growth opportunities for Group 1 in coming months."

Group 1 Software, Inc. is the leading provider of mainframe, midrange, and microcomputer (PC) software for use in marketing and mail management. Group 1 offers a broad range of list management, postal discount, mail personalization and, demographic database software products. The company has offices throughout the United States and in Canada, and is represented in the United Kingdom, Australia, and New Zealand.

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FORT WAYNE, IN (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Lincoln National Corp. (NYSE:LNC) Thursday increased the quarterly cash dividend payment on the corporation's common shares to 68 cents per share from 65 cents per share.

The 4.6 percent increase marks the eighth consecutive year the dividend has been raised.

A 75 cents per share quarterly cash dividend also was declared on Lincoln National's preferred shares.

The dividend on the common stock will be payable Feb. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record on January 10, 1991. The dividend on the corporation's $3 Cumulative Convertible Preferred Shares, Series A, will be payable March 5, 1991, to shareholders of record on Feb. 15, 1991.

Lincoln National Corp., headquartered in Fort Wayne, is the nation's seventh largest multiline insurance holding company whose subsidiaries are engaged

primarily in insurance and investment services. The company's assets total $26 billion, with annual revenues exceeding $8 billion.

CONTACT: Lincoln National Corp., Ft. Wayne
Bob Jones, 219/455-3208

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NORTH LITTLE ROCK, AR (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - American British Enterprises Inc. ("ABE") announced Thursday it has merged with its wholly-owned subsidiary Reserve Energy & Capital Corp., a Delaware corporation, with Reserve Energy & Capital Corp. being the surviving corporation.

As a consequence of the merger, the surviving company completed a one-for-three reverse split of ABE's common stock reducing the current outstanding shares to 28,740,973.

Reserve Energy & Capital Corp., which is traded over-the-counter, is engaged in oil and gas exploration and development.

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FORT WORTH, TX (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - William C. ''Bill'' Bousquette, 54, has been named executive vice president and chief financial officer of Tandy Corp. (NYSE:TAN), the world's leading consumer electronics retailer and a manufacturer of electronic products.

John V. Roach, chairman of the board and chief executive officer stated, ''Bill Bousquette has broad experience in corporate finance, accounting, and financial planning that I believe will complement and provide mature leadership to our financial staff. He has exhibited creativity in acquisitions, spin-offs, and credit that are highly desirable in his new position.''

Before joining Tandy, Bousquette was executive vice president and chief financial officer for Emerson Electric Co. with headquarters in St. Louis. From 1981-1984 he was vice president finance at Rockwell International. Prior to joining Rockwell, from 1957-1981 he held various financial and controller assignments with Ford Motor Co.

Bousquette's responsibilities at Tandy will include corporate finance, credit, internal audit, accounting, treasury and related financial functions.

Bousquette earned a BBA degree from the University of Detroit in 1958 where he graduated Summa Cum Laude. In 1962, he received a MBA from the University of Detroit.

He and his wife will reside in Fort Worth. They have five grown children.

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CHATTANOOGA, TENN (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Dixie Yarns Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:DXYN) Thursday announced that the company's board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 17 cents per share on its common stock.

The dividend will be payable Nov. 30, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 23, 1990.

The board has authorized the company to purchase up to 40 percent of its outstanding 7 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2012 in either privately negotiated or public market transactions at prices deemed favorable by management.

Dixie's business consists of four product categories: specialty yarns, industrial sewing threads, knit fabrics, and carpet and rug yarns. The company manufactures and markets yarns and threads from a variety of natural and man-made fibers and also processes yarns into knit fabrics.

Its products are used in the apparel, carpeting, domestics, drapery and upholstery, hosiery, industrial fabrics, transportation and other industries. Dixie's common stock trades on the over-the-counter National Market System with the NASDAQ symbol DXYN.

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NORTH STONINGTON, CT (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Analysis & Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:AATI), which specializes in professional and technical services for submarines and antisubmarine warfare (ASW) and in training programs for Fortune 500 clients, won over $21.5 million in contracts and subcontracts during October 1990, A.T. Mollegen Jr., president and chief executive officer announced Thursday.

The company's total contractual backlog at the end of October stood at

approximately $310 million, over 12 percent above the $275.7 million at Oct. 31, 1989.

A $7.7 million three-year contract was awarded by the Naval Regional Contracting Center, San Diego, Calif. A&T will provide engineering and related technical services to support the Naval Electronic Systems Engineering Center, San Diego in-service engineering agent for submarine combat systems.

A $4.6 million four-year contract was awarded by the Naval Underwater Systems Center, Newport, R.I., for A&T to provide technical support services for the Weapons Systems Accuracy Trials Program.

A $3.5 million three-year contract was awarded by the Naval Oceanographic and Research Activity, Stennis Space Center, Mississippi for A&T to provide acoustic and geological support for the Sea Floor Geosciences Division.

A&T was notified of a contract award to AMTECH Corp., on which A&T is a subcontractor. This contract, awarded by the Trident Command & Control System Maintenance Activity, Newport, R.I., is for configuration management and integrated logistics support services. A&T estimates that this subcontract will have a value of approximately $1.4 million over a three-year duration.

The Naval Surface Warfare Center awarded A&T a $1.3 million three-year contract for technical and analytical services for submarine operating guidelines.

In addition, A&T received a variety of subcontracts, smaller awards, and add-ons during October. These total $3.0 million and extend for periods up to three years.

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Margaret Freitas, 203/599-3910, ext. 2201

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FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Becton Dickinson and Company reported Thursday that sales for its fourth fiscal quarter, which ended September 30, were $567 million, an increase of 13 percent over the $500 million reported a year ago.

Net income for the quarter was $62 million, an increase of 14 percent, compared with $54 million a year ago.

Earnings per share for the quarter were $1.60 compared with $1.40 a year ago, an increase of 14 percent.

On a geographic basis, U.S. sales grew 6 percent to $330 million, while sales

outside the United States grew 26 percent to $237 million.

On a business segment basis, diagnostic systems sales increased 20 percent to $239 million, and medical supplies and devices revenue grew 9 percent to $328 million.

For the fiscal year, which ended September 30, the company reported sales of $2.013 billion, an 11 percent increase over the $1.811 billion reported last year.

Net income for the fiscal year was $182 million compared with $158 million from continuing operations last year.

Earnings per share for the year were $4.67 compared with $4.00 a year ago from continuing operations.

Earnings per share for the previous fiscal year, including $1.40 from the operations and gain on the sale of a discontinued business, were $5.40.

CONTACT: Becton Dickinson and Co., Franklin Lakes
Ronald Jasper, 201/848-7160

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ROTTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - VOC (Van Ommeren Ceteco), the Rotterdam-based international transport, tank storage and trading firm, Thursday announced that R.F. Hendriksen intends to resign from VOC's Board of Management, for personal reasons, effective May 31, 1991.

After holding management posts at Deli-Maatschappij and the KNSM-Group, Mr. Hendriksen joined the Board of Management of VOC in 1981. His resignation has been accepted with regrets.

At the general meeting of shareholders to be held on May 14, 1991, Messrs. R.R. Hendriks and H.C. van Westenbrugge will be nominated for election to the Board of Management of Van Ommeren Ceteco.

Mr. Hendriks (35) has been managing director of VOC's trading division since mid-1990. Joining AMRO Bank in 1977, he moved to Van Ommeren in 1980 as assistant treasurer. From 1982 to 1985, Hendriks held the same post at the Thyssen Bornemisza Group. In 1985, he returned to Van Ommeren as treasurer and was appointed chief financial officer in 1989.

Mr. van Westenbrugge (41) has been managing director of VOC's Matex Nederland tank storage subsidiary since 1988. After three years with the Stevin Group, he joined Van Ommeren in 1979. From 1980 to 1984, he was commercial manager, mineral oils at Matex Nederland; he was managing director of Van Ommeren

Terminal Singapore from 1984 to 1988.

These changes should have no particular effect on group policy, which is aimed at continued independence and further development of the group's interests in transport, tank storage and trading.

The Group took the opportunity of this announcement to state that, despite the negative effect of the weak US dollar on transport results and trading results lagging behind the 1989 performance, it maintains its forecast of a measurable improvement in net income for 1990 as a whole. This primarily reflects the very good results expected from tank storage operations.

VOC's shares are listed on the stock exchanges in Amsterdam, Brussels, Frankfurt, and Hamburg and trade in ADR form in the US (symbol 3VAOSY on the electronic OTC Bulletin Board). VOC may be accessed on the Reuters Equities 2000 service under the symbol OMMN.AS and on Quotron under the symbol OMREN.EU.

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Richard Taylor, 212/889-4350

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BOISE, ID (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Trus Joist Corp., a division of TJ International (NASDAQ:TJCO), Thursday announced it has temporarily LAM laminated veneer lumber (LVL) manufacturing portion of its Stayton, Ore., facility, effective Jan. 5, 1991.

This will not affect the wood I-joist manufacturing facility at Stayton, which will continue normal operations. The company also announced that it will close permanently a small TJI joist warehousing and remanufacturing facility in Ft. Lupton, Colo. Approximately 50 jobs will be affected at the Oregon location and seven in Colorado.

Formal notification of the Stayton action was made Tuesday, Nov. 6, in order to comply with the Workers Adjustment and Retraining Act covering plant closures and layoffs. ''Over the next 60 days, the plant manager at Stayton will do what he can to place the affected workers in positions elsewhere in the organization, so we don't know the exact number of people who will eventually be laid off,'' said Bob Dingman, vice president of Western Operations for Trus Joist.

According to Trus Joist Corp. President Tom Denig, ''We have taken these steps in response to poor market conditions and a desire to make our organization as competitive as possible during what is anticipated to be a very depressed new housing market over the coming year.''

Trus Joist is the structural building products division of TJ International, a

Boise-based specialty building products company.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Petroleum & Resources Corp. Thursday declared a $0.39375 per share income dividend on the $1,575 convertible preferred stock of the corporation payable Dec. 1 to preferred stockholders of record Nov. 19.

CONTACT: Petroleum & Resources Corp., Baltimore Joseph M. Truta or J.G. Whitney, 301/752-5900 or 800/638-2479

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#90312b0821 11/08/1990 ~Business Wire

WARRENTON, OR (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Ag-Bag International Limited, formerly A.B. Holding Group Inc. (NASDAQ:AGBG) announced Thursday its operating results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales totalled $4,734,160 and $12,800,506, up 24 percent and 22 percent, respectively, from $3,827,395 and $10,451,369, respectively, in the comparable 1989 periods; net income of $555,406 and $1,396,826 (8 cents and 23 cents per share) was up 3 percent and 22 percent over the 1989 periods.

The main reason for the small increase in the quarter is due to certain non-recurring administrative expenses associated with opening a new manufacturing facility, increased research and development expenses and increased involvement in the European business, for which the selling and general expenses are proportionately higher than the United States business.

In commenting on the results, Sohail Masood, president, said, ''We are very pleased with the increased sales which were accomplished both in the United States and Europe.

''We expect this trend to continue for the forseeable future. The fourth quarter has gotten off to a good start and we believe the results will be in line with expectations.

''Our 56 percent owned subsidiary, Ag-Bag Europe plc, is performing ahead of schedule. Sales have been strong with good operating margins. Due to the continued expected growth, Ag-Bag Europe will require additional funding later this year in large part to enable it to purchase machines and bags from our company.''

As previously announced, Ag-Bag Europe has entered into an agreement with KW Agriculture Group (a part of the Bunge Group of companies), a $600 million in revenues company selling grains, alternative feeds and other products, whereby KW will act as the exclusive sales and marketing agent for the sale of Ag-Bag products and services in the United Kingdom.

Masood also noted that the shareholders had recently approved a change of the company's name to Ag-Bag International Limited and that such change has now been formally adopted.

Ag-Bag International Limited manufactures and sells bagging machinery and large (up to 250 feet long) disposble plastic storage bags to the agricultural industry for the storage of feed.

CONTACT: Ag-Bag International Limited, Warrenton
Sohail Masood, 503/861-2437

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Arrow Automotive Industries Inc. (ASE:AI) announced Thursday net earnings (after extraordinary credit) for its first quarter of fiscal year 1991, ending Sept. 29, 1990, of $522,639, or 19 cents per share, as compared with net earnings of $151,514, or 5 cents per share, for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Sales for the quarter were $25,436,594 as compared with sales of $26,386,688 during the same quarter in fiscal 1990.

Arrow President Jim L. Osment attributed the improved operating results in large part to changes made in the company's marketing programs and operating practices.

Arrow, with headquarters in Framingham, is one of the nation's largest remanufacturers of precision replacement parts for domestic and import passenger cars, light and heavy trucks, farm vehicles and off-road industrial and construction equipment. Arrow operates remanufacturing and distribution facilities in Spartanburg, S.C., Morrilton, Ark., and Santa Maria, Calif.

CONTACT: Arrow Automotive Industries Inc., Framingham
Sherman J. Collins, 508/872-3711

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SYRACUSE, NY (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. (NYSE:NMK) has reached an agreement that, if approved by the state's Public Service

Commission, will provide the company with a temporary revenue increase beginning in January.

It would be the first increase in base rates since March 1987 for electric service and since March 1985 for gas service. If the increase is approved, Niagara Mohawk's rates for electric and gas service would remain among the lowest in New York State.

The company is continuing to negotiate the development of a multi-year rate plan and resolution of other outstanding regulatory issues as part of a far-reaching agreement established in 1989 between Niagara Mohawk, the Department of Public Service, the consumer protection board, the attorney general and multiple intervenors -- a group of large industrial customers.

The proposed revenue adjustment is an increase of about $190 million, or 6.5 percent. Electric rates would increase by about $162.8 million (6.9 percent), and gas rates would increase by $27.2 million (4.9 percent). If approved, the rates would be subject to adjustment upon establishment of permanent rates.

Thursday's filing to the PSC for temporary revenue increases was signed by Niagara Mohawk, the Department of Public Service, multiple intervenors, the Public Utility Law Project and the city of Buffalo. The 1989 agreement stipulated that if negotiations could not be completed in time for a multi-year rate plan to take effect by Jan. 1, 1991, temporary rates would be put in place on that date.

The company and the PSC staff also have agreed to push back to July 1 from April 1 the date by which permanent rates for the rate year ending June 30, 1991, must be decided. This extension is intended to allow for completion of negotiations -- or, if necessary, litigation -- on permanent rates for the second and third rate years as well.

Niagara Mohawk filed in August 1989 for an increase in revenues of about $345 million, but agreed to suspend litigation of the rate filing pending the results of negotiations. A freeze on company rates that was to have ended July 1990 was extended through the end of the year, as part of the 1989 agreement.

The company also agreed to conduct a thorough selfassessment of its operations in an effort to improve efficiency and effectiveness. To date, the company has met each of the milestones related to that ongoing program.

CONTACT: Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., Syracuse
Stephen F. Brady, 315/428-6907 or
315/428-3151 (after hours/emergency).

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - SCOR U.S. Corp. (NYSE:SUR) announced that income from continuing operations, excluding merger expenses and net realized investment gains, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased significantly to $6,348,000, or 36 cents per share, compared with $647,000, or 4 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the 1990 third quarter increased 169 percent to $6,503,000, or 37 cents per share, compared with $2,420,000, or 14 cents per share, for the 1989 third quarter.

Income from continuing operations, excluding merger expenses and net realized investment gains, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 74 percent to $17,445,000, or 97 cents per share, compared with $10,018,000, or 57 cents per share, for the corresponding period of 1989.

Net income for the 1990 nine-month period increased 40 percent to $16,581,000 or 93 cents per share, compared with $11,832,000, 67 cents per share, for the corresponding 1989 period.

The mid-year merger of Rockleigh Management Corp. into SCOR U.S. has been accounted for in a manner similar to a pooling of interests. Accordingly, all historical financial statements have been restated to reflect the combined results of the two companies. Merger expenses reported in the three-month and nine-month periods ending Sept. 30, 1990, were $23,000 and $1,671,000, or 9 cents per share.

After-tax net realized investment gains for the three-month and nine-month periods ending Sept. 30, 1990 were $178,000, or 1 cent per share, and $807,000 or 5 cents per share. After-tax net realized investment gains for the corresponding three-month and nine-month periods of 1989 were $1,667,000, or 9 cents per share, and $2,479,000, or 14 cents per share.

Patrick Peugeot, chairman and chief executive officer, said that, ''Third quarter results reflect improved underwriting experience, particularly as the 1989 third quarter and nine months were affected adversely by Hurricane Hugo. Competitiveness in the market remains strong; however, SCOR U.S. continues to maintain its disciplined underwriting approach.''

Although net premiums written for the 1990 third quarter increased 4 percent to $48,635,000 compared with $46,863,000 for the 1989 third quarter, net premiums written for the year-to-date period 1990 were down slightly to $135,458,000 compared with $137,372,000 for the corresponding period of 1989.

The statutory loss ratio for the combined reinsurance operations of SCOR U.S. improved to 67.6 percent for the nine-month period 1990 compared with 71.9 percent for the nine-month period 1989. The expense ratio increased to 35.5 percent compared with 31.8 percent for the nine-month periods 1990 and 1989,

respectively.

Jacques Blondeau, president and chief operating officer noted, that, ''The soft reinsurance market creates a magnified effect on the expense ratio as fixed costs, along with higher commission rates, must be charged against a declining volume of premiums written. SCOR U.S. is now in the process of creating efficiencies for the operations of Scor Re and The Unity Group.''

The resulting combined ratio improved to 103.1 percent compared with 103.7 percent for the nine-month periods 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Net cash provided by operating activities for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, while remaining strong, decreased 8 percent to $41,995,000 compared with $45,824,000 for the corresponding period last year due principally to higher paid claims relating to catastrophe losses which occurred in late 1989.

Combined statutory capital and surplus at Sept. 30, 1990 was $203,655,000. During the quarter SCOR U.S. completed the purchase of Dai-Tokyo Fire and Marine's 51 percent interest in Southwest International Reinsurance Co. (SIRCO) for approximately $8 million. SCOR U.S. contributed this interest to Scor Re, which previously owned a 49 percent interest in SIRCO, thereby increasing its statutory surplus by $8 million.

Total consolidated assets increased over 12 percent during 1990 to $702,735,000 principally due to net cash flow from operations and an approximately $24,000,000 net increase in assets by the purchase of SIRCO.

The ''fresh start'' benefit for the three-month and nine-month periods ending Sept.30, 1990 were 1 cent per share and 2 cents per share.

SCOR U.S. Corp. is the holding company of Scor Reinsurnce Co. and The Unity Group. Scor Re specializes in underwriting treaties covering commercial and technical risks and is a recognized leader in the provision of facultative property, casualty and special risk covers.

The Unity Group primarily underwrites property business on a treaty basis. All of SCOR U.S.'s reinsurance subsidiaries are rated ''A'' (Excellent) by A.M. Best Co.

CONTACT: SCOR U.S. Corp., New York
Howard B. Fischer, 212/513-1777

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - American Express Travel Related Services Co. Inc. Thursday announced that Terrence J. Smith has been promoted to senior

vice president - Worldwide Service Quality.

Smith, 50, will assume responsibility for global quality planning and customer service performance. He will work with American Express markets worldwide to insure continuous improvement in service to the company's customers.

Smith has been with American Express 11 years, most recently as senior vice president, Platinum/Gold Card Operations, Southern Region Operations Center, where he was responsible for the credit, customer service and data processing operations for all Platinum and Gold Cards in the United States.

American Express Travel Related Services Co. Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of American Express Co., is a family of travel, financial, insurance and communications businesses.

CONTACT: American Express Travel Related Services Co. Inc., New York, Maureen Bailey, (212) 640-3311.

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HILLIARD, OH (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Medex Inc. and Ivion Corp. a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in Englewood, Colo., have reached an agreement in principle for Medex to acquire Ivion through a merger transaction.

The transaction is subject to the completion of a definitive merger agreement and the approval of the board of directors and shareholders of Ivion. The terms of the agreement are being withheld pending completion of the definitive agreement.

Medex Inc. had previously announced on Oct. 3 that it had concluded an agreement with Aeneas Venture Corp. and Phemus Corp. to purchase a 52 percent voting share interest in Ivion Corp. As announced, the closing of the transaction was subject to a number of conditions. Medex has, pursuant to the terms of that agreement, terminated that transaction.

Medex Inc. manufactures and markets a broad range of disposable products for intravenous fluid administration and invasive pressure monitoring as well as special pumps for precise fluid and drug administration.

Ivion Corp. is a privately held manufacturer of high-tech intravenous infusion equipment for the home and pediatric hospital market.

Ivion complements Medex's commitment to provide products for the precision I.V. delivery of fluid and drugs.

CONTACT: Medex Inc., Hilliard

Robert F. Durbin, 614/876-2413

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Seligman Select Municipal Fund a closed-end, tax-exempt bond fund, Thursday declared a common stock dividend of 7 cents per share payable on Nov. 27 to shareholders of record Nov. 19.

J.& W. Seligman & Co. Inc., founded in 1864, is an investment manager and advisor with over $8 billion in assets under management. The firm serves pension plans, institutions and individuals.

J.& W. Seligman manages the Seligman Family of Mutual Funds, with 30 portfolios, and Tri-Continental Corp., the nation's largest diversified equity closed-end investment company, and Seligman Select Municipal Fund.

CONTACT: J.& W. Seligman & Co. Inc., New York
Ellen De Domenico, 212/488-0382

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#90312b0880 11/08/1990 ~Business Wire
PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Laurentian Capital Corp., a life insurance holding company based in Philadelphia, reported an unaudited consolidated net loss for the third quarter of $19.2 million, or $1.19 per share, compared to a net income of $1.2 million, or 7 cents per share, for the corresponding period in 1989.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, the company had an unaudited net loss of $16.4 million, or $1.03 per share, as compared to an unaudited net income of $2.7 million, or 15 cents per share, for the corresponding period in 1989.

During the past two years, several reorganization initiatives were instituted to improve the financial base of the organization. These initiatives included reviewing the underlying value of acquired assets, administrative and operational restructuring, divestitutes and affiliate consolidations to produce efficiencies in the business.

To further strengthen financial returns and enhance shareholder value, the company significantly reorganized its operations to concentrate on profitability in both the short and long term.

The 1990 third-quarter and nine-months results reflect a $19.3 million after-tax charge of special items against earnings. These after-tax charges follow a two-year period of restructuring certain acquired assets and insurance operations. At the time of previous acquisitions, the valuation of

assets was based upon assumptions as to future performance and value.

The company has reviewed the current reasonableness of these assumptions after instituting changes in administrative, financial and product performance over the past two years. As a result, there is a special charge against earnings to reflect this current position.

These after-tax charges included a $16.7 million write off of goodwill and deferred acquisition costs, as they could not be recovered from future earnings; a $1 million provision for estimated expenses resulting from corporatewide consolidation and cost reduction programs; and a $1.6 million investment loss relating to real estate and certain assets acquired.

Excluding the effects of the special items recorded in the third quarter of 1990, unaudited net income was $130,000, or 0 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, as compared to an unaudited net income of $1.2 million, or 7 cents per share, for the corresponding period in 1989.

For the nine-month period, unaudited net income was $2.9 million, or 17 cents per share, as compared to unaudited net income of $2.7 million, or 15 cents per share, for the corresponding period in 1989.

Consolidated revenues were $94.8 million for the first nine months of 1990, as compared to $106.2 million for the corresponding period in 1989. The decline in revenues is due to past divestitures of certain unprofitable lines of businesses in 1989, as well as lower realized investment gains.

Investment income increased $1.9 million following a period of restructuring of the investment portfolio. Earnings per share for both the three- and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30 were based upon 16,229,000 shares outstanding for both 1990 and 1989.

Laurentian Capital Corp. (ASE:LQ) has assets in excess of $875 million and total life insurance in force in excess of $7 billion. Laurentian's primary life insurance subsidiaries are Loyal American Life Insurance Co., of Mobile, Ala.; Prairie States Life Insurance Co., of Rapid City, S.D.; and American Defender Life Insurance Co., of Raleigh, N.C.

CONTACT: Laurentian Capital Corp., Philadelphia
G. Alan Lansdell, 215/889-7400

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STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:14 that trade in Pharmakinetics Laboratories Inc.(NASDAQ: PKLB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7/16. The company is located in Baltimore, Maryland.

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#90312c0003 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced that trade in Hinderliter Ind. Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol HND.

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#90312c0004 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:55 that trade in Jamesway Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE ticker symbol JMY.

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#90312c0006 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - A top federal bank regulator urged the accounting industry to take a long hard look before deciding whether to change existing accounting standards for financial institutions from an historical basis to one predicated on current market value.

In remarks before the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants here, Comptroller of the Currency Robert Clarke suggested a move to mark-to-market accounting does not represent merely a change in bank accounting but a change in bank policy.

"A lot of people are trying to find cures for diseases which may or may not exist," Clarke said. "We don't want to fix the wrong problems or create a whole new set of problems."

Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman Richard Breeden favors changing the accounting standards and has urged the accounting industry to take action, arguing if banks had to list their financial assets at current value instead of at their original purchase value, it would provide the best possible information on the their financial condition.

In written testimony before the Senate Banking Committee eight weeks ago, the SEC chief said the experience with the savings and loan crisis "demonstrates the inherent and substantial dangers of a reporting system for financial institutions that is premised on historical cost accounting principles."

Bankers oppose any change to current standards because they say it would produce unacceptable volatility in operating results and force banks to completely restructure their asset-liability management strategies as a result of strictures imposed from the standard.

The banks received a boost from Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, who sent a letter to Breeden saying such an overhaul of accounting standards could cause volatility in bank earnings and lead bankers to shorten the maturities of their investment portfolios to lessen the standard's impact on earnings and capital.

Clarke, as head of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the federal agency which oversees national banks, failed to take sides on the issue and urged a thorough evaluation before any decision is made.

"Clearly the SEC is well-meaning, but I think we need to consider different facets and what the implications will be," Clarke said. "Any time you change a reporting or accounting rule you have the possibility of causing unforeseen consequences."

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STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:58 that trade in CIS Technologies (NASDAQ: CISI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 7/8.

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STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:13 that trade in United Medicorp Inc. (NASDAQ: UMCI) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 2 1/2, 3 1/4. The company is located Dallas, TX.

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#90312c0009 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:41 that trade in Nor-quest Resources Ltd. (NASDAQ: NQRL) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 1/16, 1/8.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

MERCURY ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC OWNS 295,000 SHARES (7.70%) OF KENT ELECTRONICS CORP (TICKER: KNT) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Mercury Asset Management PLC purchased 15,000 shares on Aug. 15-16, 1990 for $10.88 to $11.63 per share and purchased 130,000 shares from Oct. 16-25, 1990 for $10 to $10.19 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY RAINBOW PARTNERS OWNS 105,000 SHARES (5.00%) OF REALTY SOUTH INVESTORS INC (TICKER: RSI) OF MARIETTA, GEORGIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Rainbow Partners intend to seek representation on the board of Realty South Investors Inc. and to influence management and may seek control of Realty South Investors Inc. in the future.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Rainbow Partners purchased 105,000 shares on Nov. 2, 1990 for $3 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90312c0012 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:49 that trade in CIS Technologies (NASDAQ:CISI) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 7/8; unchanged from the halt.

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#90312c0014 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 7:

Acqua Group Inc. (ACQA), Units 10/26/92 (ACQAU), Wts 10/26/92 (ACQAW); Issues were postponed, securities never quoted

The following issues were deleted from NASDAQ effective Nov. 6:

Firetector Inc. - Units 11/30/90 (FTECU); Components no longer qualify
Firetector Inc. - Wts 11/30/90 (FTECW); Insuff. No. of active market makers

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#90312c0015 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - Continental Ventures Inc. (COVI) will undergo a name and symbol change to Unipac Corp. (UNIP) effective Nov. 8.

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 7:

Fidelity Savings Association (FFSVA) to Fidelity Savings Bank (FSVA)
Zentec Corp. (ZENTE) to (ZENT)

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#90312c0016 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Gynex Inc.(TICKER: GYNX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,724	$26,706
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(143,870)	$(325,030)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,567,000	7,567,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$798,572	$973,277
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$470,245	$795,275

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Dento-Med Industries Inc.(TICKER: DTMD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$28,974	$26,311
UNREALIZED LOSS ON VALUATION OF MARKETABLE SECURITIES	$(850,000)	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,085,000)	$(418,634)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	14,929,420	$13,679,420

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,730,499	$7,350,293
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,697,196	$7,307,373

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#90312c0018 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Biospherics Inc.(TICKER: BINC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,308,987	$3,710,774
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(23,489)	$(116,075)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,378,075	$6,740,938
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,497,146	$2,636,623

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First of Long Island Corp.(TICKER: FLIC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,239,094	$1,107,299
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.84	$0.73

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$317,018,648	$297,570,265
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$28,044,594	$25,367,098

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#90312c0020 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Irwin Financial Corp.(TICKER: IRWN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,194,882	$966,128
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.28	$1.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	933,982	938,894

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$418,873,411	$353,470,182

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$35,381,128	$31,795,173

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#90312c0022 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:11 that trade in United Medicorp Inc.(NASDAQ: UMCI) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 2 1/2, 3 1/4; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90312c0023 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Electro-Sensors Inc.(TICKER: ELSE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,097,152	$1,144,108
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$83,548	$127,351
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,768,500	1,768,500

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,498,684	$5,347,511
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,117,361	$5,040,982

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#90312c0024 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Home Benefical Corp.(TICKER: HBEN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$48,542,177	$47,031,802

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$11,447,667	$11,025,600
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.11	$1.06
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,294,470	10,492,140

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,163,317,282	$1,110,778,378
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$431,204,248	$403,413,684

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by BF Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: BFEN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$439,000	$508,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(74,000)	$17,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$26,043,000	$27,639,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,442,000	$11,700,000

-30- 950

#90312c0027 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Tetra Technologies Inc.(TICKER: TTRA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$15,959,000	$15,353,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(216,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,987,000	$1,052,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.17	$0.15
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,441,000	8,535,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$60,442,000	$36,891,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$43,015,000	$1,630,000

-30- 1060

#90312c0028 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sunward Technologies Inc.(TICKER: SUNT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 23,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$17,364,000	$9,519,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$72,000	$444,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	19,899,000	14,659,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 24, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$59,167,000	$24,523,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$20,866,000	$8,914,000

-30- 1041

#90312c0029 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Scientific Imaging Instruments Inc.(TICKER: SIMI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$115,175	$160,976
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(300,976)	$(254,597)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$(0.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,572,000	2,071,912

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$389,201	$1,466,464
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (LOSS)	$(372,531)	$926,042

-30- 1056

#90312c0031 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Computer Telephone Corp.(TICKER: CPTL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,168,768	$2,308,282
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$804,258
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$431,483	$1,041,431
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.20	$0.42
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,207,194	2,446,720

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,279,250	$4,153,147
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,040,302	$2,437,442

-30- 1063

#90312c0032 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 31 1990, Tons of Toys Inc.(TICKER: TONS) was notified by Ernst & Young that it was withdrawing as the company's independent accountants effective that date.

Tons of Toys has not engaged any other accounting firm as of this time.

-30- 463

#90312c0033 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Judicate Inc.(TICKER: JUDG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$467,933	$452,417
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(187,499)	$(526,224)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,067,250	6,867,250

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,637,518	$2,021,977
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$206,583	$642,637

-30- 1021

#90312c0034 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Community Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: FRFD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$772,088	$1,835,073
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.19	$0.47
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,969,064	3,939,410

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$719,052,886	$671,982,402
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$57,763,811	$55,168,285

-30- 998

#90312c0035 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - Attwoods plc (TICKER: ATTW) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD reporting on Oct. 30, 1990, Mr. Frank Silvester resigned as finance director of the company to pursue other business interests.

The company appointed Mr. Stuart Lee as its new finance director.

-30- 430

#90312c0036 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mid-South Insurance Co.(TICKER: MIDS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,741,000	$18,853,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,103,000	$503,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.42	$0.21
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,602,000	2,602,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$60,136,000	$55,657,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$22,736,000	$20,421,000

-30- 1042

#90312c0037 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P.D. SLATER OF 3350 RUM ROW, NAPLES, FL 33940, HAS FILED TO SELL 128,000 SHARES OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(UST CORP. TEL: 617 726-7000)

-30- 376
#90312c0039 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K.L. BIDDLE OF 901 SUNSET AVE #27, ALICE, TX 78332, HAS FILED TO SELL 38,000 SHARES OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. THROUGH CHARLES M BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(URANIUM RESOURCES INC. TEL: 214 934-7777)

-30- 408
#90312c0040 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A FISHMAN OF 200 N ROCKINGHAM AVE, 0, LOS ANGELES, CA 90049, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,100 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 429
#90312c0041 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT PARIS OF 14 HARDING DR, RYE, NY 10580, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF COMMAND CREDIT CORP. (TICKER: CDMD) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(COMMAND CREDIT CORP. TEL: 516 764-1117)

-30- 399
#90312c0042 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT P OUELLETTE OF 2520 MIDWAY ST, 0, FALLS CHURCH, VA 22046, HAS

FILED TO SELL 3,500 SHARES OF VERSAR INC. (TICKER: VSR) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(VERSAR INC. TEL: 703 750-3000)

-30- 398
#90312c0043 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN H ABELES OF 867 EL PINTADO RD, DANVILLE, CA 94526, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN BIONETICS INC. (TICKER: AMBI) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(AMERICAN BIONETICS INC. TEL: 415 732-9000)

-30- 421
#90312c0044 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID CALCATERRA OF 6650 GRAYSTONE LANE, SAN JOSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,361 SHARES OF VOICEMAIL INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: VOIC) THROUGH QUICK & REILLY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(VOICEMAIL INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 408 980-4000)

-30- 435
#90312c0045 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 455
#90312c0047 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUCE ALLEN OF 711 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,500 SHARES OF HARRIER INC. (TICKER: HARE) THROUGH ALLEN & AMELI. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(HARRIER INC. TEL: 213 376-7721)

-30- 380
#90312c0048 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TANIS ELIZABETH TRUST OF 259 RADNOR CHESTER RD, STE 120, FIDELITY COURT, RADNOR, PA 19087, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF WORLD-WIDE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: WOTK) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(WORLD-WIDE TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 215 964-0652)

-30- 481
#90312c0049 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH F DOX OF 3928 WOODCREEK LANE, SAN JOSE, CA 95117, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,750 SHARES OF NOVELLUS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NVLS) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(NOVELLUS SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 943-9700)

-30- 420
#90312c0050 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BLAFFER JOAN H TRUST OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,850 SHARES OF CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. (TICKER: CHL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. TEL: 713 236-4515)

-30- 431
#90312c0051 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANTHONY B EVNIN OF 24 HAIGHTS CROSS RD, CHAPPAQUA, NY 10514, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(APPLE COMPUTER INC. TEL: 408 996-1010)

-30- 418
#90312c0052 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANTHONY B EVNIN OF 24 HAIGHTS CROSS RD, CHAPPAQUA, NY 10514, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH COR (TICKER: SDRC) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH COR TEL: 513 576-2400)

-30- 462
#90312c0053 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARWOOD SHEPARD OF 1107 E PARADISE LANE, PHOENIX, AZ 85022, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2899)

-30- 407
#90312c0055 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEON C HIRSCH OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 399
#90312c0056 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TURI JOSEFSEN OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 399
#90312c0057 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD S KAPLAN OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,544 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 401
#90312c0058 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MITSUI & CO INC OF 200 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10166, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,750 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH OAKES FITZWILLIAMS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2400)

-30- 427
#90312c0059 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JESSE AGUIRRE OF ONE BUSCH PL, ST LOUIS, MO 63118, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,001 SHARES OF ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. (TICKER: BUD) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. TEL: 314 571-2000)

-30- 408
#90312c0060 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH L LAY OF 1400 SMITH ST, HOUSTON, TX 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,296 SHARES OF ENRON CORP. (TICKER: ENE) THROUGH SANDERS MORRIS MUNDY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(ENRON CORP. TEL: 713 853-6161)

-30- 381
#90312c0061 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANCIS A TARKENTON OF 3340 PEACHTREE ROAD N E, ATLANTA, GA 30326, HAS FILED TO SELL 116,902 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 431
#90312c0063 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD E ELLIS JR OF 3340 PEACHTREE ROAD N E, ATLANTA, GA 30326, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 423
#90312c0064 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD P ADDINGTON OF 3340 PEACHTREE ROAD N E, ATLANTA, GA 30326, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 428
#90312c0065 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TERRY R MCGOWAN OF 3340 PEACHTREE ROAD N E, ATLANTA, GA 30326, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 423
#90312c0066 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BLAIR D H & CO INC OF 44 WALL ST, NEW YORK, NY 10005, HAS FILED TO SELL 49,000 SHARES OF WOLF FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: WOFG) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(WOLF FINANCIAL GROUP INC. TEL: 212 635-5666)

-30- 434
#90312c0067 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LYNNE MCCREIGHT OF 1310 OAKHURST AVE, LOS ALTOS, CA 94024, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 453
#90312c0068 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH J MCCUMBER III OF 3101 WESTERN AVE, P O BOX 662, SEATTLE, WA 98111, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,822 SHARES OF AIRBORNE FREIGHT CORP. (TICKER: ABF) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(AIRBORNE FREIGHT CORP. TEL: 206 285-4600)

-30- 446
#90312c0069 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GORDON E EUBANKS OF 20350 STEVENS CREEK BLVD, CUPERTINO, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SYMANTEC CORP. (TICKER: SYMC) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(SYMANTEC CORP. TEL: 408 253-9600)

-30- 411
#90312c0071 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES T LYNAGH OF P O BOX 1656, PONTE VEDRA, FL 32004, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF MULTIMEDIA INC. (TICKER: MMED) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(MULTIMEDIA INC. TEL: 803 298-4373)

-30- 403
#90312c0072 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OIA INC OF 5266 S DICKENS DR, LAS VEGAS, NV 89119, HAS FILED TO SELL 54,000 SHARES OF VEGAS CHIPS INC. (TICKER: VCHP) THROUGH WEDBUSH MORGAN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(VEGAS CHIPS INC. TEL: 702 647-3800)

-30- 395
#90312c0073 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EMANUEL E LANDSMAN OF 3 BROOKWOOD RD, LEXINGTON, MA 02173, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,960 SHARES OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. TEL: 401 789-5735)

-30- 455
#90312c0074 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PITLOR JOEL R PS PLAN OF 1385 CENTENNIAL DR, ST PAUL, MN 55113, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BIOPLASTY INC. (TICKER: BIOP) THROUGH PENN MERCHANT GRP LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(BIOPLASTY INC. TEL: 612 636-4112)

-30- 421
#90312c0075 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TIMOTHY P LAWIN OF 4161 WILLOWOOD DR, VADNIS HTS, MN 55127, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,500 SHARES OF BIOPLASTY INC. (TICKER: BIOP) THROUGH PENN MERCHANT GRP LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(BIOPLASTY INC. TEL: 612 636-4112)

-30- 406
#90312c0076 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOEL R PITLOR OF 22 JENNIE DUGAN RD, CONCORD, MA 01742, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,542 SHARES OF BIOPLASTY INC. (TICKER: BIOP) THROUGH PENN MERCHANT GRP LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(BIOPLASTY INC. TEL: 612 636-4112)

-30- 403
#90312c0077 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT A ERSEK OF 900 EAST 30TH ST, AUSTIN, TX 78705, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF BIOPLASTY INC. (TICKER: BIOP) THROUGH PENN MERCHANT GRP LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(BIOPLASTY INC. TEL: 612 636-4112)

-30- 401
#90312c0079 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN J HENDRICKSON OF 40 ARDSLEY AVE WEST, ARDSLEY-ON-HUDSON, NY 10503, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,000 SHARES OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(OFFICE DEPOT INC. TEL: 407 994-2131)

-30- 424
#90312c0080 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C RICHARD HARRISON OF 88 LINCOLN DR, WAYLAND, MA 01778, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 437
#90312c0081 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CRAIG S MILLER OF 100 CHARLES PARK RD, WEST ROXBURY, MA 02132, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF UNO RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: UNO) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(UNO RESTAURANT CORP. TEL: 617 323-9200)

-30- 422
#90312c0082 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALAN M VOORHEES OF 109 DUKE STREET, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: ASAI) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES INC. TEL: 404 996-4562)

-30- 456
#90312c0083 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRY L CECCON OF 7 BOND STREET, BOSTON, MA 02118, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CANDELA LASER CORP. (TICKER: CLZR) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(CANDELA LASER CORP. TEL: 508 358-7637)

-30- 411
#90312c0084 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EMANUEL E LANDSMAN OF 3 BROOKWOOD RD, LEXINGTON, MA 02173, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. TEL: 401 789-5735)

-30- 453
#90312c0085 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN C KANE OF 6158 INVERURIE PL, 0, DUBLIN, OH 43017, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,200 SHARES OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES (TICKER: ABT) THROUGH OHIO COMPANY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(ABBOTT LABORATORIES TEL: 708 937-6100)

-30- 407
#90312c0087 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

C.W. PALMER OWNS 897,226 SHARES (32.70%) OF AUTOTROL CORP (TICKER: AUTR) OF MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

C.W. Palmer may propose a candidate to fill the vacancy on the board of Autotrol Corp., at the next annual meeting to be held in Dec. 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

C.W. Palmer purchased 283,438 shares on Oct. 29-30, 1990 for $8 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 588
#90312c0088 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI OWNS 878,915 SHARES (15.90%) OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO (TICKER: SBP) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Latshaw Enterprises Inc. purchased 51,000 shares from Oct. 23-25, 1990 for $4.75 to $5.05 per share.

-30- 499
#90312c0089 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY D.A. KASS OWNS 1,108,300 SHARES (17.50%) OF H.H. ROBERTSON CO. (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The date for a meeting to vote on the proposed merger of H.H. Robertson Co. with Ceco Industries Inc. has been set for Nov. 8, 1990. D.A. Kass intend to

vote their shares against the agreement or attempt to effect a possible change in control of the company. D.A. Kass entered into two successive agreements with Frontera S.A. to purchase the shares held by D.A. Kass for $10 to $12 per share based upon the price in connection with the merger. The agreement was not consummated and a second agreement was entered into on Oct. 11, 1990 to purchase the shares for $7 per share. This second agreement was also not completed and D.A. Kass intend to pursuant their rights under the agreements.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 12 to Oct. 30, 1990, D.A. Kass purchased 46,400 shares for $7 to $8.25 per share and sold 409,000 shares $3.25 to $7.79 per share.

-30- 1205
#90312c0090 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

J.B. SHERWOOD OWNS 1,492,385 SHARES (15.30%) OF ORIENT EXPRESS HOTELS INC (TICKER: OEH) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 19, 1990, Sherwood received notice that the other filers had withdrawn from the group. The other filers were Georg Rafael, Adriaan W.L. Zecha, Ronald Arculli, Cornel Li, F.H. Prince & Co. Inc., Arral Partners Ltd., Arral (Nominees) Ltd., Laurence Moh and Tung Wo Investment Co. Ltd.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.B. Sherwood purchased 76,700 shares from Sept. 11 to nov. 1, 1990 for $2.25 to $2.88 per share.

-30- 763
#90312c0091 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

J. LATSHAW OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI OWNS 214,677 SHARES (37.00%) OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: LAT) OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J. Latshaw purchased 9,901 shares from Oct. 8-27, 1990 for $7.88 to $11 per

share.

-30- 445
#90312c0092 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

R.F. HUSSEY OWNS 128,293 SHARES (3.40%) OF POP RADIO CORP (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The new shareholder agreement terminated pursuant to its terms on Oct. 31, 1990. By virtue of a provision of the new shareholder agreement and upon termination thereof, Heritage's obligation under the prior shareholder agreement to purchase 50,000 common shares at $18.50 per share from each of the undersigned and Mr. Gray was reinstated. Pursuant to the terms of the new shareholder agreement, the closing of the purchase was held on Nov. 7, 1990.

-30- 769
#90312c0093 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

R.K. GRAY OWNS 136,759 SHARES (3.70%) OF POP RADIO CORP (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The new shareholder agreement terminated pursuant to its terms on Oct. 31, 1990. By virtue of a provision of the new shareholder agreement and upon termination thereof, Heritage's obligation under the prior shareholder agreement to purchase 50,000 common shares at $18.50 per share from each of the undersigned and Mr. Hussey was reinstated. Pursuant to the terms of the new shareholder agreement, the closing of the purchase was held on Nov. 7, 1990.

-30- 769
#90312c0095 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Kansas City Power & Light Co.(TICKER: KAN) appointed Drue Jennings as Chairman of the board effective Jan. 1, 1991 in addition to his responsibilities at president and CEO. On Nov. 6, 1990, KCPL declared a $.67 per share dividend and higher third quarter earnings.

-30- 497
#90312c0099 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY F.M. EWING OWNS 194,152 SHARES (6.60%) OF MARYLAND FEDERAL BANCORP. INC (TICKER: MFSL) OF HYATTSVILLE, MARYLAND.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

F.W. Ewing purchased 80,000 shares from Sept. 19 to Nov. 2, 1990 for $5.02 to $7.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 491
#90312c0100 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Unicorp American Corp. announced on Oct. 4, 1990 that it is making progress in its efforts with Canadian and US regulators to provide a means to separate the company's energy and non-energy operations. The board also has reduced its size from 12 to eight members.

-30- 471
#90312c0101 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CM CAPITAL CORP OWNS 796,000 SHARES (26.90%) OF SATELLITE INFORMATION SYSTEMS

CO. (TICKER: SATI) OF BOULDER, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CM Capital Corp. acquired a warrant to purchase 180,000 shares for three years at an exercise price of $.75 per share and another 500,000 shares in exchange for CM Capital Corp. pledging a standby letter of credit to secure a $250,000 loan to Satellite Information Systems Co..

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 669
#90312c0102 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ITEL CORP OF CHICAGO, IL OWNS 0 SHARES (%) OF SANTA FE PACIFIC CORP (TICKER: SFX) OF DELAWARE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 2, 1990, Itel and Samuel Zell executed a second supplemental agreement dated as of Oct.24, 1990, with Santa Fe Pacific, to the agreement, dated as of Aug. 30, 1988, as amended, between Santa Fe Pacific and Itel, Samuel Zell and Robert Lurie. The agreement provides that the provisions of the agreement will not be applicable to Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. or its equity securities if such securities are distributed by Santa Fe Pacific to Santa Fe Pacific's stockholders.

PURPOSE:

Execution of a second supplemental agreement.

-30- 850
#90312c0103 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, C.B. COOK JR, DIR. OF AMERICAN MAIZE PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: AZE), BOUGHT 1,451 CLASS A SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,451.

-30- 328

#90312c0104 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 9, 1990, C.B. COOK JR, DIR. OF AMERICAN MAIZE PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: AZE), BOUGHT 2,649 CLASS A SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,649.

-30- 327
#90312c0106 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 9, 1990, R.F. COLE, DIR. OF CHASE CORP. BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 271
#90312c0107 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, C.W. MORTON, DIR. OF TCW CONVERTIBLE SECS FUND INC. (TICKER: CVT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 331
#90312c0108 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 10, 1989, J.W. MALINS, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED PACKAGING CORP. (TICKER: CLPC) BOUGHT 230,318 SHARES AT $8.83 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90312c0109 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 1, 1989, J.W. MALINS, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED PACKAGING CORP. (TICKER: CLPC) BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90312c0110 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 4, 1989, J.W. MALINS, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED PACKAGING CORP. (TICKER: CLPC) BOUGHT 15,500 SHARES AT $12.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,662,688.

-30- 335
#90312c0111 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 8, 1990, R.D. COWAN, PRES. OF DAVEY TREE EXPERT CO. SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $19.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,329.

-30- 298
#90312c0112 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 11, 1990, E.W. HAUPT, VP OF DAVEY TREE EXPERT CO. SOLD 4,600 SHARES AT $19.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,045.

-30- 293
#90312c0114 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, H.C. BUIE, DIR. OF SOBANK INC. BOUGHT 8,545 SHARES AT $8.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,986.

-30- 275
#90312c0115 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, G.R. HIGGINS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ASTRA CORP. (TICKER: ASSN) BOUGHT 6,367 SHARES AT $0.27 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,283.

-30- 318
#90312c0116 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, G.A. JACKSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ASTRA CORP. (TICKER: ASSN) BOUGHT 6,367 SHARES AT $0.27 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,387.

-30- 317
#90312c0117 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, J.G. LANDRY, CHAIRMAN OF ASTRA CORP.(TICKER: ASSN) BOUGHT 6,366 SHARES AT $0.27 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 182,593.

-30- 300
#90312c0118 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, A.J.M. CLENET, PRES. OF ASHA CORP.(TICKER: ASHA) SOLD 5,500,000 SHARES AT $82.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90312c0119 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, T.L. KEMPNER, DIR. OF IGENE BIOTECHNOLOGY INC. SOLD 11,724 SHARES AT $0.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 722,311.

-30- 310
#90312c0120 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, M.A. WOLFSON, DIR. OF PRIVATE BRANDS INC. (TICKER: PRIB) BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,000.

-30- 313
#90312c0122 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, E.P. THOMAS, CHAIRMAN OF VALLEY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: VCCN) BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 844,510.

-30- 322
#90312c0123 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 4, 1990, R.N. NOVECK, DIR. OF HORIZON HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER:HHC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90312c0124 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 5, 1990, R.N. NOVECK, DIR. OF HORIZON HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: HHC), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $1.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90312c0125 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 5, 1990, R.N. NOVECK, DIR. OF HORIZON HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: HHC), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $1.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90312c0126 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 5, 1990, R.N. NOVECK, DIR. OF HORIZON HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: HHC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90312c0127 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 8, 1990, R.N. NOVECK, DIR. OF HORIZON HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: HHC), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90312c0128 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 10, 1990, R.N. NOVECK, DIR. OF HORIZON HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: HHC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90312c0130 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, R.N. NOVECK, DIR. OF HORIZON HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: HHC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90312c0131 11/08/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 11, 1990, K.J. WIDDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MOLECULAR BIOSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MOBI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 396,475.

-30- 351
#90312c0132 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, R.A. BERGDOLL, PRES. OF SANFORD CORP. (TICKER: SANF), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $22.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90312c0133 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, R.A. BERGDOLL, PRES. OF SANFORD CORP. (TICKER: SANF), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 316,563.

-30- 306
#90312c0134 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, R.L. EMERSON, VP OF SANFORD CORP. (TICKER: SANF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $22.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90312c0135 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, R.L. EMERSON, VP OF SANFORD CORP. (TICKER: SANF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,583.

-30- 295
#90312c0136 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, H.B. PEARSALL, CHAIRMAN OF SANFORD CORP. (TICKER: SANF) SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $22.70 PER SHARE.

-30- 273

#90312c0138 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 30, 1990, C.E. VOYLES, DIR. OF CHATTAHOOCHEE BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,000.

-30- 309

#90312c0139 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 5, 1990, C.E. VOYLES, DIR. OF CHATTAHOOCHEE BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,000.

-30- 308

#90312c0140 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY QUANTUM FUND N V OF CURACAO, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES OWNS 1,941,300 SHARES (5.80%) OF THE PERKIN ELMER CORP (TICKER: PKN) OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 10 and Nov. 7, 1990 Quantum Fund N V purchased 1,494,300 shares at $18.75 to $22.00 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 522

#90312c0141 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 16

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 8, 1990 Chartwell Assoc. LP announced that it has retained Lehman Bros. to advise Chartwell Assoc. LP on ways in which Avon (TICKER: AVP) can enhance shareholder value.

-30- 386

#90312c0142 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY HPB ASSOCIATES LP OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 874,800 SHARES (9.89%) OF NU MED INC (TICKER: NUMS) OF ENCINO, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

HPB Associates LP and Nu Med Inc. have agreed that Howard P. Berkowitz shall be added to the registrant's board of directors and to the strategic planning committee. HPB Associates LP will also designate two other nominees for Nu Med Inc. board membership at Nu Med Inc.'s annual meeting scheduled for Dec. 12, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Election of Berkowitz to Nu Med Inc.'s board.

-30- 733
#90312c0143 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC OWNS 1,863,390 SHARES (15.13%) OF NORTEK INC (TICKER: NTK) OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 6 to Nov. 6, 1990, Gabelli Funds purchased 126,200 shares for $1.87 to $3.75 per share, sold 39,600 shares for $1.63 to $3.50 per share and purchased 1,800 convertible securities for $40.75 to $41 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 589
#90312c0144 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 417,200 SHARES (10.32%) OF COGNEX CORP.

(TICKER: CGNX) OF NEEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 375
#90312c0146 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 170,350 SHARES (6.45%) OF US WEST NEWVECTOR GRP INC (TICKER: USWN) OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Fidelity International LTD sold 13,500 shares from Aug. 22 to Sept. 21, 1990 at $21.37 to $24.25 each and purchased 6,300 shares at $20.65 to $21.50 each from Aug. 14 to Sept. 28, 1990.

-30- 549
#90312c0147 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY DAKOTA VENTURES INC OWNS 11,735,000 SHARES (49.30%) OF RESPONSE TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: RTK) OF MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a securities purchase agreement, dated Sept. 26, 1990 between BMAC and Response, which contemplated three closings, the Oct. 31, 1990 acquisition was the first closing wherein Dakota acquired 5,735,000 shares of common stock for a cash purchase price of $.50 per share and presently exercisable warrants for an additional 6,000,000 shares of common stock. The agreement provides for the acquisition by Dakota in the next two closings (Aug. 31, 1991 and Feb. 28, 1992) of an aggregate of 4,000,000 shares of common stock and warrants to purchase 3,000,000 shares of common stock. The purchase of such shares is contingent upon Response's meeting certain performance requirements, its compliance with covenants in the agreement and the absence of material adverse events affecting Response. The agreement entitles Dakota to have two representatives nominated for election to the Response board; requires Dakota's consent to the payment by Response of dividends, or redemptions and distributions; requires Dakota's consent to mergers or other transactions that

might result in a preference allocation to holders of Response's series convertible A preferred stock of cash or securities received in such a transaction.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares to acquire operating control of issuer.

-30- 1683
#90312c0148 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY METPATH INC OWNS 6,887,493 SHARES (24.00%) OF UNILAB CORP (TICKER: ULAB) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 5, 1990, Coronaut EAC, a wholly-owned Netherlands Antilles subsidiary of Unilabs Holdings S.A., a Swiss corporation, MetPath Inc. and certain other shareholders of Holdings, entered into an amended memorandum of understanding.

PURPOSE:

Amended memorandum of understanding.

-30- 609
#90312c0149 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

B.J. FINKELSTEIN OF JAMAICA, NEW YORK OWNS 86,705 SHARES (4.82%) OF PHOTO MARKER CORP (TICKER: PMCP) OF SPARTANBURG, SOUTH CAROLINA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 31, 1990, B.J. Finkelstein sold 60,000 shares at a price of $.01 per share, or an aggregate consideration of $598.50.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 516
#90312c0150 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 302,000 SHARES (3.65%) OF BEST BUY CO. INC. (TICKER: BBY) OF BLOOMINGTON, MN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 375
#90312c0151 11/08/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

S.L. SINN OWNS 6,199,264 SHARES (17.10%) OF PAGE AMERICA GROUP CORP. INC. (TICKER: PAGEC) OF HACKENSACK, NEW JERSEY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

S.L. Sinn received 1,331,689 shares on Oct. 10, 1990 when a partnership he was a partner of was dissolved. On Oct. 19, 1990 S.L. Sinn exercised options to purchase 150,000 shares at 25 cents per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 589
#90312d0000 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV 8) - The State Department Thursday urged U.S. nationals to defer non-essential travel to Haiti because of increased prospects for disturbances in connection with the December 16 presidential elections in the Caribbean nation.

It said in a statement that although U.S. citizens in Haiti did not appear to be threatened, caution should be exercised and crowds and areas of unrest should be avoided.

-30- 603
#90312d0170 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV 8) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

	cash		forward	
Copper	1,312.00	(1,324.00)	1,312.00	(1,319.50)
Lead	369.00	(369.50)	374.75	(375.25)
Zinc Sh	1,267.00	(1,269.00)	1,262.50	(1,273.50)
Tin	6,147.50	(6,110.00)	6,157.50	(6,135.00)
Aluminium	1,590.50	(1,592.50)	1,609.00	(1,614.50)
Nickel	8,725.00	(8,900.00)	8,362.50	(8,487.50)

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-30- 665

#90312d0180 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV 8) - The U.N. General Assembly has unanimously adopted a resolution calling on the warring parties in Afghanistan to find a peaceful resolution to the country's 10-year-old civil conflict.

The resolution, adopted without debate late Wednesday, appealed to the Kabul government, the Moslem resistance and individual guerrilla chiefs for an early start of negotiations on "the establishment through democratic procedures acceptable to the Afghan people, including free and fair elections, of a broad-based gouvernment."

In Kabul, the Soviet-backed Afghan government said it was pleased the resolution did not exclude any parties from the peace process.

"We warmly welcome the U.N. resolution. It is what we too have been saying for some time now," commented government spokesman Humayun Mukammel.

He said Kabul was pleased that Pakistan, which the government constantly accuses of interfering in Afghganistan's internal affairs, did not object to the resolution and hoped Islamabad would abide by it.

The assembly also called for the return to Afghanistan of some four million Afghan refugees living in camps in Pakistan and Iran.

Finally the resolution reaffirmed the terms of the Geneva Accords concluded in 1988 between Afghanistan and Pakistan, with the support of the Soviet Union and the United States, calling for an end to all combat in Afghanistan and the creation of new political structures representing all sides in the conflict.

-30- 1676

#90312d0210 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (NOV. 8) - Frankfurt stocks suffered a slight loss on Thursday on the basis of the DAX index, which lost 1.71 points or 0.12 percent on the day. The Commerzbank index was off 12.7 points to 1,684.2.

The market had been off quite a bit at the start of the session, but stocks managed to claw back much of the lost ground, and operators said the tone was firm at the close.

They added that the main reasons for Thursday's loss were not new: the Gulf crisis and high oil prices.

In the auto sector, BMW dipped by 0.40 to 389.50 marks, Mercedes three to 457, and Volkswagen one to 332, but Daimler-Benz managed to advance by one to close at 551.

MAN (engineering) rose by seven marks to 372, while RWE (energy) tacked on 1.70 to 393.20.

Chemicals were off, but the losses did not exceed 3.20 (BASF). Steels were irregular, Thyssen being unchanged at 184.50, Mannesmann rising 0.50 to 263, and Hoesch off 2.50 to 202.50.

Banks were all off for the day, Commerzbank shedding one, Dresdner six, and Deutsche Bank 6.50.

The bond market was very week, and the average yield on government issues jumped to 9.10 percent, against 9.07 percent on Wednesday.

-30- 1358

#90312d0240 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Accra (NOV. 8) - Fighting has broken out again in Liberia as the main rebel movement, the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (Npfl), launched a counterattack to retake some of the positions it lost to the other rebel movement about two weeks ago, the British Broadcasting Corporation (Bbc) reported Thursday.

Bbc monitored here said the Npfl led by Charles Taylor clashed with the small rebel movement of Prince Yormie Johnson about 30 kilometres northeast of the capital, Monrovia, after retaking positions it lost a fortnight ago.

It said the fresh offensive by Taylor, who has so far rejected all peace moves is thought to involve some 1,000 men. It said Johnson claimed that some of Taylor's fighters were soldiers from Burkina Faso whose president, Blaise Compaore, supports Taylor.

The broadcast said sporadic fighting was also reported near Paynsville, about 10 kilometres east of Monrovia.

There was a lull in the fighting for several days as the West African peacekeeping force and Johnson's men succeeded in pushing Taylor's forces as far back as Kakata, some 60 kilometres from Monrovia.

Bbc also said banners unfurled and crowds sang and danced Wednesday as Johnson's motorcade drove to the headquarters of the peacekeeping force to receive the interim president, Amos Sawyer, who had been waiting for several months out of the country to assume office.

However, Sawyer did not arrive as expected and the Nigerian ambassador in Liberia explained that he had been delayed by ''unforeseen circumstances.'' He said Sawyer would be in Monrovia ''in the shortest possible time''.

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#90312d0250 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV 8) - Nato's highest military official, General Vigleik Eide, and its European commander-in-chief, General John Galvin, will begin a five-day trip to the Soviet Union on Sunday, the organisation announced Thursday.

They are to be received in Moscow by the Soviet defence minister, Marshal Dmitri Yasov, and Chief-of-staff Mikhail Moiseyev.

Eide, chairman of Nato's military committee, will fly on to Leningrad after his talks in the Soviet capital. Galvin will visit the Kiev military district.

A visit to the Soviet Black Sea fleet in Sevastopol is also planned.

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#90312d0270 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 8) - Nervous aluminium prices executed a modest up-bounce from recent lows on the London Metal Exchange (LME) here Thursday, but the recovery was not sustained, and traders said the metal's immediate prospects do not look good.

Three-months metal recovered to 1,635 dollars per tonne in morning deals, but fell back to quote at 1,613 dollars per ton in after hours kerb trading against 1,614 Wednesday.

Some support for prices was provided by the European Aluminium Association's prediction that European primary metal consumption would rise by one percent in 1990 against 1989's record level of 4.6 million tons.

But against this, the market absorbed predictions that LME stocks, already at their highest levels since 1983, were set to rise in coming weeks.

Nickel drifted lower throughout the day, quoting at 8,350 dollars per ton on the kerb against 8,375 on the ring and 8,500 on Wednesday.

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#90312d0380 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (NOV 8) - Palestine Liberation Organisation Chairman Yasser Arafat met here on Thursday for more than three hours with Swedish Foreign Minister Sten Andersson to discuss the Gulf crisis, the Palestinian news agency WAFA reported.

Mr. Arafat briefed the Swedish foreign minister on Palestinian proposals for a peaceful settlement to the Gulf crisis, the agency said.

It quoted Mr. Andersson as saying that a war in the Gulf would be "destructive" for the region as well as the world.

The talks also covered the "dangerous developments" in the Israeli-occupied territories, WAFA added.

Earlier Mr. Andersson had talks with his Tunisian counterpart Habib Boulares on the Gulf crisis, according to the Tunis Afrique Presse agency.

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#90312d0560 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUXEMBOURG (NOV 8) - The European Investment Bank (EIB), the long-term lending arm of the European Economic Community (EEC), will lend 11.8 million Ecu (more than 14 million dollars) to the European subsidiary of Japanese group TDK, the bank announced on Thursday.

The loan will be used to help build a cassette factory in Luxembourg. It will be in Bascharage, in the southern part of the country, and will create some 600 jobs in a region that has been depressed by a steel industry recession.

A bank spokesman said that in making loans, the institution does not pay any attention to borrowers' nationality or status, but makes sure the project being supported helps regional development. Japan's Sony Group has received an EIB loan to set up shop in southwestern France.

The factory is to go into operation in mid-1991 and make audio and video cassettes, with respective annual capacities of 150 million and 35 million.

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#90312d0590 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (NOV. 8) - Mary Robinson, a leftist independent who advocates the

legalization of divorce and abortion in strongly Catholic Ireland, appeared Thursday the likely winner of presidential elections.

Although Brian Lenihan of the ruling conservative Fianna Fail party won 44.5 per cent of Wednesday's vote to Robinson's 38.8, second votes will have to be tabulated because neither gained an absolute majority.

Observers believe Robinson will receive the bulk of the second votes on ballots cast for the third candidate, Austin Currie of the opposition Fine Gael Party. Currie managed just 16.7 per cent of the vote.

An announcement of the final tally is expected Friday afternoon.

Lenihan entered the race as the favourite but was forced to step down as vice premier during the campaign because of his involvement in a political scandal that occurred eight years ago.

Robinson, 46, would be Ireland's first woman president. The presidential elections were the first in 17 years.

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#90312d0740 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV 8) - An Israeli underground organisation announced Thursday it would start ''killing two prominent Arabs for every Israeli killed by Palestinians''.

The threat was issued in a telephone call to Israel's biggest newspaper Yedioth Aharonoth by a man claiming to speak for the previously unknown ''Organisation of Jewish Prophecy'' who said his group was made up of former students of religion and members of military fighting troops.

The caller also claimed the group's responsibility for a terrorist attack Wednesday on an Arab village, Shvar'am, in which an unidentified man fired a submachine gun wildly before escaping in an Israeli automobile.

The telephone caller said that ''Jewish Prophecy'' would start acting after seven days of mourning for Rabbi Meir Kahane, the Jewish rightwing leader assassinated Monday in New York.

Following serious disturbances during Kahane's funeral in Jerusalem, several Arab political leaders Thursday received special police protection after they getting anonymous murder threats.

Also on Thursday, police arrested seven members of Kahane's political party,

Kach, in a religious school for taking part in Wednesday's violence.

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#90312d0800 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JEDDAH, Saudi Arabia (NOV. 8) - Saudi Arabia's King Fahd stressed on Thursday that Islamic sharia (law) would continue to be the only source of legislation in the kingdom, the official SPA news agency reported.

"Saudi Arabia, which has always upheld Islamic sharia ..., will not accept any other law dictated by man that opposes the path guided by tradition and the Koran (Islam's holy book)," King Fahd told Saudi editors.

Asked to comment on civil liberties, the Saudi monarch replied that "individual freedom in this country is guaranteed by Islamic faith."

"Islam guarantees to the individual in the kingdom the freedom of expression as well as all his rights and duties as long as this freedom does not hurt others and that it does not undermine Islamic teachings and laws," he stressed.

These remarks come at a time when more than 200,000 Western troops are deployed -- for the first time in the kingdom's history -- along Saudi borders to shore up the country's defenses against any attack following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The deployment of foreign troops has come under harsh criticism from Islamic groups and Arab states, including several hitherto unknown movements that called in statements published by the Tunisian press Thursday for the overthrow of the Saudi government.

In an apparent reference to these attacks, King Fahd said his country called on a multinational troop deployment "after it became known that the Iraqi president was preparing something against Saudi Arabia."

"We see nothing wrong since the eminent ulemas (Moslem theologists) and numerous clerics worldwide have endorsed our call to the troops of friendly nations to support Saudi Arabia in the defense of its territory," he added.

Three Arab nations -- Egypt, Syria and Morocco -- have dispatched troops to the U.S.-led multinational force in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf region.

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#90312d0860 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV 8) - Peugeot SA Group (PSA) reported on Thursday that it had consolidated sales of 35.6 billion francs (7.3 billion dollars) in the third quarter, up 8.7 percent over the same quarter last year.

For the first nine months of the year, consolidated sales hit 121.3 billion francs, up 6.6 percent over the same period last year, it said.

PSA said that sales of the Peugeot branch were 70.7 billion francs for the nine months, up 6.5 percent, while those of the Citroen branch rose six per cent to 45.1 billion francs, and engineering and services activities accounted for 5.3 billion francs, a 9.7 percent increase.

Some 55.4 billion francs of group business for the nine months was done in France, up 9.5 percent, and 66 billion francs on other markets, up 4.3 per cent.

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#90312d0920 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV 8) - The mayor of Moscow, Gavril Popov, has said that food ration tickets will be distributed to residents of the Soviet capital from December 1 the daily Moskovskii Komsomolets reported Thursday.

It said he told city councillors and district officials that the tickets would be for monthly purchases totalling 31 rubles (18.6 dollars) per inhabitant.

Komsomolskaia Pravda said that the tickets would give each Muscovite the right to 1.5 kilos of beef, 200 grammes of butter and 500 grammes of flour. Such products are now virtually impossible to find in state stores.

Sugar has been rationed for the last year and cigarettes since this summer.

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#90312d1120 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (NOV. 8) - Swedish Foreign Minister Sten Andersson met here Thursday with Palestine Liberation Organisation chairman Yassir Arafat to discuss the Gulf crisis, the Palestinian news agency Wafa reported.

It quoted Andersson as saying that every effort must be made to prevent a war, which would have repercussions on the whole world.

The Swedish minister had also argued in favour of the Plo and the United States resuming their direct contacts which were suspended by the U.S. earlier this year when the Plo failed to disassociate itself from a terrorist attack on an Israeli beach.

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#90312d1210 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH (NOV 8) - Saudi Arabia's King Fahd said Thursday that an unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the reinstatement of the ousted legitimate government there constituted the only solution to the Gulf crisis.

''I don't see any other solution that could achieve peace in the (Gulf) region '' King Fahd said.

He made his remarks, carried by the official Saudi Press Agency, during a meeting with Saudi newspaper editors at his office in the Red Sea port city of Jeddah.

The king reaffirmed that Saudi Arabia's position on the Gulf crisis was based on the resolutions of Arab and Islamic conferences and of the United Nations Security Council.

In reply to a question, King Fahd said he had invited U.S. and other foreign and Arab forces to defend his country against any possible Iraqi attack in the wake of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''The decision to call in sisterly Arab and Moslem forces and other friendly forces to support our armed forces in defending the Kingdom was taken after it had been proved to us beyond any doubt that the Iraqi President (Saddam Hussein) was planning something against the Kingdom following his invasion of the state of Kuwait,'' King Fahd said.

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#90312d1220 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PIETERMARITZBURG, South Africa (NOV. 8) - Black-on-black violence which began with the mob murder of a railway worker on Thursday claimed 16 lives Bruntville black township, police said.

Women and children were streaming out of the township near Mooirivier, some 60 kilometres (36 miles) north-west of the provincial capital Pietermaritzburg, all day after a gang launched a dawn attack on a hostel for railway workers, hacking one victim to death and shooting and wounding another.

Tension simmered Thursday as gangs torched 18 prefabricated homes in a railway compound in the township, and then boiled over around 8 p.m. (1800 GMT) as rival mobs clashed.

Police said that by the time they had parted the fighters 15 bodies lay on the ground, all of them stabbed and mutilated.

Bruntville workers stayed away from their jobs in Mooirivier Thursday, police said, evidently anticipating trouble.

Police did not say who was involved in the fighting, but a virtual Zulu civil war in Natal province between Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's conservative Zulu movement Inkatha and the socialist United Democratic Front has claimed more than 4,000 lives in just over four years.

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#90312d1630 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) - Americans are continuing to spend more on credit than they paid off, the Federal Reserve reported Thursday, although they are going deeper into debt at a slower rate.

But retailers are worried that this slowdown will mean a bleak business for them as Christmas -- the traditional big-spending period -- looms.

A separate report by the nation's major retailers Thursday showed the major chains were experienced lower sales in October than they did in the same month last year.

The Fed, in its report, said consumer credit rose by an annual rate of 4.9 per cent in September -- or three billion dollars -- compared to five per cent in August.

In July, consumer credit was soaring by an annualized rate of 7.8 per cent.

Revolving credit -- mainly credit card debts -- rose by 10.7 per cent in September, compared to 13.3 per cent the previous month, the Fed said.

Meanwhile, the nation's leading retailers -- including Sears Roebuck and J.C. Penney -- said October sales were down compared to one year earlier.

The largest retailer, Sears, said sales at its stores which were open last year were down 0.4 per cent in October; overall, sales were down 1.2 per cent.

Thomas Tashjan, an analyst with Seidler Amdec Securities of Los Angeles, said this all pointed to the 1990 holiday buying season being "a much more frugal Christmas."

Jeffrey Feiner, an anlyst with Merrill Lynch, said the figures -- following disappointing sales reports for August and September -- "reflect a recessionary psychology."

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#90312d1820 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LIMA (NOV 8) - Clashes between government troops and Maoists rebels left at least 15 dead in the Andean highlands, and four people were injured in a rash of bombings in Lima, police said Thursday.

At a high school in Lima, two students de-activated two explosive devices thrown into a classroom by terrorists, police said.

"The explosives, equivalent in power to three grenades, could have caused a

bloodbath," said a police explosives expert.

Assailants exploded bombs late Wednesday near the residence of the U.S. ambassador, the Peruvian-North American Cultural Institute, a bank, a hotel and other private businesses, injuring four people, police said.

Meanwhile, an army vehcile carrying soldiers hit a land mine Wednesday while returning to Tingo Maria from a patrol, authorities said. Five soldiers and six rebels were killed by the explosion and an ensuing ambush by Shining Path guerrillas, the region's political-military chief Major Ruben Valle said Thursday. He did not elaborate.

In the province of Ancash in the Andes north of Lima, Shining Path rebels seized a police post in the village of Yautan and killed two soldiers, a lawyer and his driver, the police said.

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#90312d1880 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (NOV 9) - The authorities in the northern Yugoslav republic of Slovenia on Thursday announced an inquiry into charges of fraudulent practices by a car leasing company whose director is said to have links with the republic's fledgling non-communist government, the Tanjug news agency reported.

Two hundred angry demonstrators, representing nearly 5,000 customers who claim to have been cheated by the company, assembled before the Slovene parliament as a hearing on the affair opened.

The republic's interior minister said an international arrest warrant had been issued on Wednesday for Sandi Grubelic, owner of the Trend company.

Mr. Grubelic, who faces charges of fraud, is reported to have fled to neighboring Italy.

The vice-president of the Slovene parliament said that Trend had failed to honor its obligations to nearly 5,000 leasees, who had lost up to 40 million Deutsche marks (26 million dollars).

Mr. Grubelic is rumored to have used the money from his clients to help finance the election campaign of the non-communist party, Demos, which won Slovenia's first multiparty elections earlier this year.

The brother of the Slovene defense minister is also reported to be a member of Trend's board of directors.

The government has neither confirmed nor denied the reports.

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#90312d1900 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA (NOV. 8) - A U.S. company illegally sold a Chilean arms dealer the technology used to make thousands of cluster bombs that in turn was purchased by Iraq, a newspaper reported Thursday.

Citing federal investigators, the Intelligencer Journal reported that the technology for the bombs came from the Pennsylvania company International Signal and Control Corp. (ISC).

The company was started by James Guerin and it was his business partner, Carlos Cardoen of Chile, who sold the technology to Iraq in violation of a 1977 law barring Chile from receiving U.S. military technology, the newspaper reported.

A spokeman for Mr. Cardoen in Santiago denied any association with ISC, beyond enlisting the help of two of its engineers to solve technical problems with a radio-detonated explosive for the Chilean Air Force.

Cluster bombs release hundreds of similar bombs on impact, or above a target. The small bombs can detonate at various times, up to 72 hours after the main bomb has been dropped and spread over an about 1,000 meters (yards) wide.

Iraq obtained the cluster bomb technology through an Iraqi-owned British precision tooling firm called Matrix Churchill, the newspaper said.

The newspaper said that Mr. Cardoen used his Santiago headquarters to ship the bombs to Baghdad via Iraqi Airways or by ship.

A Chilean source told the Intelligencer Journal that Mr. Cardeon was believed to have sold Iraq 20,000 of one kind of cluster bomb for 7,100 dollars each and 4,000 of another kind of cluster bomb.

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#90312d1950 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 9) - Belgian Defense Minister Guy Coeme on Thursday called for the dissolution of a secret western European intelligence network set up in the 1950's to counter a possible invasion by the forces of the Warsaw Pact.

"The Cold War is over," Mr. Coeme said on the state television station RTBF, adding that the network should be terminated.

He earlier Thursday confirmed the continued existence of the body, which is codenamed Glaive (blade) in French and Gladio in Italian, following recent revelations by Italian Prime Minister Guilio Andreotti.

Mr. Andreotti last month said a secret intelligence body had been set up in

1956 at the instigation of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to protect western Europe against a possible communist invasion.

The headquarters of NATO's supreme allied command here had no comment on the reported relation between the Western military alliance and a secret intelligence network in Europe.

Mr. Andreotti on Thursday again linked "Gladio" with NATO in remarks before the Italian Senate. He told senators that his government had recently asked NATO to consider whether, in view of the changes in Eastern Europe, the network was not now "outdated."

The Belgian defense minister, in a state radio interview Thursday, said he had just learned that his country currently held the rotating chairmanship of "Glaive."

Mr. Coeme later told a private television station that the NATO authorities were aware of the body's activities, adding: "I am not at this moment certain that it is an organization within NATO. In its actual state I do not think that is the case."

Mr. Coeme added that he had asked if the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency had financed the network's operations and was told "'no', in a very clear way."

He said he believed the operation in Belgium had not been involved in stockpiling arms but rather was limited to "patriotic and civic actions."

But he said he had ordered an administrative inquiry into charges that the network might have had a hand in a series of still-unexplained terrorist attacks which shook Belgium in the 1980s.

Press reports in Italy have said the network might have been linked to terrorist activity in that country.

In Rome Thursday, Mr. Andreotti denied that "Gladio" had ever been involved in terrorist attacks or attempts to destabilise the country.

He also told the Italian Senate that the government would submit the names of 622 Italians who had been part of the organisation to a parliamentary committee on the secret services and security.

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#90312d2340 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (NOV. 9) - New Zealand Trade Minister Philip Burdon on Friday ruled out any immediate prospect of the government here underwriting the country's trade with the Soviet Union.

"We have not made any decision. We do not intend to make any decision in the immediate future," Mr. Burdon said.

Trade with the Soviet Union has come to a virtual standstill, with Moscow unable to pay 150 million New Zealand dollars (91.5 million U.S) for meat, wool and butter received this year.

Producers are understood to have urged the government to underwrite exports, but Mr. Burdon ruled out the measure in an interview with Radio New Zealand.

"We would hope the relationship could be preserved... but you are not going to get a blank cheque from the New Zealand Government to pay for exports that clearly have no prospect of being paid for by the recipient country," he said.

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#90312d2360 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 9) - Thousands of South Korean villagers protesting plans to construct a nuclear dump were on Friday in a tense truce with police who moved in overnight to quell rioting, officials said.

In Seoul, Prime Minister Kang Young-Hoon ordered a crackdown on the violence, in the southwestern island of Anmyon.

About 2,000 policemen moved in overnight after villagers set fire to a police substation and vehicles, ransacked office buildings and kidnapped government officials, who were later beaten up.

Police fired volleys of tear gas to disperse the mobs, but sporadic clashes lasted into late night, officials said.

Six kidnapped officials, including a policeman, were admitted to hospital with broken bones and cuts and one of them was in serious condition, an official said.

Police rounded up some 60 people, including leaders of the protest.

A group of 60 people representing the villagers was meeting with Governor Shim Dae-Yong to seek a peaceful solution.

The government announced late Thursdasy that it had decided to postpone the construction plans and would educate the people about the safety of the storage facility before resuming the project.

Mr. Kang told Home Minister Ahn Eung-Mo bring the riot under control, the national Yonhap News Agency said.

"Whatever the cause, people should not try to resort to violence to settle

their grievances," Mr. Kang was quoted as saying. "There can be no tolerance of acts to destroy, torch and firebomb public facilities."

The violence broke out after press reports that the government would push ahead with the construction plan despite opposition by villagers.

Government officials said the proposed facilities would store nuclear waste pending a new recycling solution and contended that the storage would present little danger to the environment.

The riot was the largest and most violent related to envrionmental issues in South Korea. Sentiment against pollution is growing after a two-decade rush to industrialize.

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#90312d2380 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 9) - The Philippine government has ordered gasoline stations and cooking gas outlets to shut down at night to further reduce the country's oil consumption, officials said Friday.

The new restrictions, effective Monday, came as the country was bracing for an anticipated new increase in domestic oil prices after last week's 8.7 per cent devaluation of the Philippine peso.

The Energy Regulatory Board (ERB) said that from Monday to Saturday, the stations and outlets will be open for business from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

On Sundays and holidays, the hours will be limited to 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with stations closed the whole day outside Manila and its suburbs.

President Corazon Aquino has also banned energy-consuming sports such as car and boat racing.

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#90312d2420 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 9) - Japanese Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto denied Friday that a meeting of the Group of Seven (G-7) leading industrialized countries would take place soon.

"I see no immediate need to hold such a meeting," Mr. Hashimoto told the reporters after a cabinet meeting.

French Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy said Thursday he had agreed with U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady on a meeting of G-7 finance ministers and central bankers to discuss the recent fall of the dollar.

"The dollar has not fallen sharply against the yen in the last one to two months," Mr. Hashimoto said, adding that Japan would consider a G-7 meeting if one were proposed.

"We have not received any proposals to hold one yet," he said.

The dollar was strong in Tokyo on Friday, closing the morning session at 130.60 yen, up 1.10 yen from Thursday's finish.

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#90312d6390 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SENDAI JAPAN (NOV. 8) - Japanese researchers have developed a high-temperature superconductive magnet that is the first that can float a person, the Superconductive Research Laboratory here said Thursday.

In a demonstration at a symposium of the International Superconductivity Technology Center, a set of magnets held a man 0.5 centimeters (0.2 inch) off the ground.

The device is 9,000 times stronger than a natural earth magnet and can lift a 150-kilogram (330-pound) object using repulsion between a high-temperature superconductive magnet and a permanent magnet, researchers said.

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#90312d6400 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 8) - South Korea has chosen Bechtel Inc. of the United States to draw up the master plan for a new international airport serving Seoul, officials said Thursday.

A consortium formed by Bechtel and South Korea's Yooshin Engineering Corp. won the tender for the 4.89 million dollar job over another group made up of Aeroports de Paris (AdP) and Daewoo Engineering.

The Bechtel-Yooshin team becomes the front runner in the next stage of bidding for detailed designs and construction of the 3.28 billion dollar project.

The airport is to be built between 1991 and 1997 on reclaimed land near Yongjong island, 52 kilometers (32.5 miles) from downtown Seoul. It will be linked by sea bridge to the port city of Inchon and a 10-lane highway and high-speed railway to Seoul.

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#90312d6410 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (NOV. 8) - New Zealand Prime Minister Jim Bolger Thursday slammed the country's biggest company, Fletcher Challenge Ltd. (FCL), for voting a 50

percent increase in non-executive directors' fees.

"It's no use preaching the virtues of hard work and economy to the workers of New Zealand if the words aren't matched by action on the part of those in positions of responsibility in business or in politics," Mr. Bolger said.

The prime minister said the increase was not in keeping with the spirit of sacrifice shown by wage-earning workers.

At its annual meeting Wednesday FCL increased the fees from a total of 400,000 dollars New Zealand dollars (246,040 U.S.) to 600,000 dollars (369,060 U.S.) for the financial year starting July next year.

FCL's chairman, Sir Ronald Trotter, gave an assurance Wednesday that none of the seven non-executive directors' fees would rise this financial year.

The company had record earnings of 662 million dollars (403 million U.S.) last year and is a dominant player in the world pulp and paper industry. It also has interests in energy production and construction.

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#90312d6510 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (NOV. 8) - Singapore Airlines (SIA) said Thursday it will buy two Learjet 31 trainer aircraft for 14 million U.S. dollars which will significantly cut cadet pilots' qualification times.

The two U.S.-built Learjets will be delivered in late 1991, SIA said.

The new trainers will cut five months off the current 10 months cadets take to qualify as first officers on the Airbus A310 and eight months of the 18 months training on the Boeing 747, SIA said.

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#90312d6640 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 8) - Japan's Daihatsu Motor Co. Ltd. said Thursday its net profit advanced 17 percent from a year earlier to 3.8 billion yen (28 million dollars) in the six months to September due to booming sales of mini-cars.

The affiliate of Toyota Motor Corp. and Japan's second-biggest mini-car maker said sales grew 10.2 percent to 388 billion yen (2.8 billion dollars). Domestic sales rose 9.8 percent to 318 billion yen (2.3 billion dollars) while exports climbed 12.3 percent to 70 billion yen (507 million dollars).

Daihatsu said sales volume rose 5.8 percent to 454,987 vehicles, fuelled by booming domestic sales of mini-cars, which offset declining sales of small commercial vehicles and other cars.

Mini-car sales soared 104 percent to 134,378 units despite a modest fall in exports while sales of small commercial vehicles plunged 30 percent to 118,050 units with exports suffering a particularly sharp decline.

Sales of other cars fell almost one percent to 59,387 units while sales of other commercial vehicles rose eight percent to 26,580 units. Sales of vehicles made for Toyota meanwhile grew 4.7 percent to 116,592 units.

Daihatsu said its net profit forecast for the full year was unchanged at six billion yen (44 million dollars) but reduced its sales estimate to 780 billion yen (5.7 billion dollars) from 820 billion yen (5.9 billion dollars).

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#90312d6780 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV. 8) - President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, taking a defiant stand toward the United States, said Thursday that Pakistan valued its relations with Washington but would not accept aid with strings attached.

"No matter how important the foreign aid is for us, we shall not at all compromise our independence and our freedom of action for it," the 75-year old Pakistani leader said in his first address at the newly elected parliament.

His speech followed Washington's decision last month to suspend its approximately 600 million dollars in annual military and economic assistance to Pakistan because of concerns that Islamabad might be developing nuclear weapons.

The conservative Islamic Democratic Alliance (IJI), which won the October 24 elections, accused ousted premier Benazir Bhutto during the campaign of lobbying for the aid freeze to pressure Pakistan to restore her to power.

The IJI alleged that Ms. Bhutto's associates told U.S. lawmakers that a rival government would turn the country's peaceful nuclear program to military ends. Ms. Bhutto has strongly denied the allegations.

"We hope that the United States will not allow baseless assumptions and lobbies representing vested interest to distort its views about Pakistan," President Ishaq Khan said.

He called upon Washington to realise the "real worth of its relations" with Pakistan, pointing to Islamabad's cooperation with the United States on Afghanistan and the Gulf situation.

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#90312d6800 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (NOV. 8) - National Australia Bank Ltd., one of Australia's big four banks, announced Thursday net profit for the year of 769 million dollars (596 million U.S.), down 3.1 percent on last year.

The fall was blamed on difficult trading conditions, mainly high interest rates which led to a doubling of bad and doubtful debt charges to 651 million dollars (505 million U.S.) and lower interest margins.

Group managing director Don Argus said in a statement the bank believed the difficult economic conditions would apply for much of the current fiscal year to September.

"However, a further consistent result is expected in 1990-91," he added.

NAB was unable to maintain its dividend, declaring a final pay out of 29 cents making 55 cents in cash for the year compared with 50 cents cash and 10 cents in scrip last year.

Profit from NAB's trading and savings banks fell to 449 million dollars (348 million U.S.) from 552 million dollars (428 million U.S.).

British and Irish operations increased profit to 280 million dollars (217 million U.S.) from 136 million dollars (105 million U.S.).

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#90312d6820 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 8) - The Philippines will receive a total of 129 million dollars in loans from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) for road, transport and irrigation projects, the ADB said Thursday.

The Manila-based ADB said two loans of 50 million dollars each were approved for rebuilding dilapidated roads and upgrading public road transport.

One loan is from the ADB's ordinary capital resources, repayable in 15 years at variable interest rates, the other is a concessional loan repayable in 35 years with an annual service charge of one per cent.

The loans will be accompanied by 2.18 million dollars in technical assistance grants for consultancy fees.

The ADB also approved a 29 million-dollar package to improve irrigation systems on the southern island of Mindanao.

Nine million dollars will be repayable over 25 years and 20 million dollars over 35 years.

#90312d6900 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (NOV. 8) - The National League for Democracy (NLD), Burma's leading political party, is in total disarray after mass arrests and intimidation of its leaders, an NLD district organiser said here Thursday.

The organiser, from the south of Burma, who asked not to be identified, said all contact had been lost with headquarters in Rangoon, making it almost impossible for the party to function.

"The NLD is still alive, but only just. There is no order and we do not know in the districts what is happening. It is very hard to survive," he told a press conference.

And he admitted that what leaders are left following the military crackdown, are seriously considering setting up a government in exile on the Thai-Burma border.

"But I don't want to give any details at present. It would be too dangerous," said the man.

The NLD swept general elections in May but the military State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC), which took power in a bloody coup in 1988, has refused to hand over power.

Since the elections the SLORC has put pressure on the NLD which climaxed last month in a series of raids in which many of its leaders were arrested and its offices sealed.

"There are only four central committee members still free," said the organiser here for a four day visit to meet with anti-government groups living in Bangkok and on the border in exile.

He added that the report of United Nations Human Rights Commission special envoy Sadako Ogata, who is presently visiting Burma, would be vital in helping the NLD survive.

"It will be very helpful if she exposes the government's human rights violations. It will show the world what we are up against," said the party organiser, a former officer in the army.

He said there were other senior officers in the armed forces who were sympathetic to the NLD.

"But they are scared to show it. They are even afraid to talk to each other, to share their ideas."

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#90312d6950 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Paris (NOV. 8) - British novelist Lawrence Durrell died at his home in Sommieres in the south of France on Wednesday, friends of the family disclosed Thursday. He was 78.

Born in Darjeeling, India, Durrell lived most of his life in Mediterranean countries, and was British press attache in Egypt, Yugoslavia and Cyprus.

His best known work is the ''The Alexandria Quartet'', drawn from his experiences in the Egyptian city during World War Ii.

The quartet, comprising ''Justine'', ''Balthazar'', ''Mountolive'' and ''Clea'', is an elaborate exploration of the nature of love.

Other novels included ''Tunc'' and ''Nunquam''. He also wrote poetry ''Collected Poems'' and humourous sketches ''Esprit de Corps''.

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#90312d7110 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV. 8) - The Pakistani opposition led by former premier Benazir Bhutto here Thursday boycotted an address to the parliament by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan to protest his policies.

Ms. Bhutto bitterly attacked Mr. Ishaq Khan during the runup to last month's elections and alleged afterwards that the president had engineered the defeat of her People's Democratic Alliance (PDA) through "massive rigging."

"To be democratic is nothing but to accept and honour the people's verdict," said the 75-year old president, who fired Ms. Bhutto in August on charges of corruption and misrule and called new elections.

The boycott Thursday showed that while Ms. Bhutto and her party had accepted to sit in the opposition, they were not yet ready for a change of heart towards the president, observers said.

On Tuesday, Ms. Bhutto and her party stayed away from a ceremony at the presidency when Mr. Ishaq Khan swore in Nawaz Sharif, leader of the Islamic Democratic Alliance (IJI), as prime minister for a five-year term.

Addressing a joint session of the lower and upper houses of parliament, Mr Ishaq Khan said that the nation had vindicated the action taken by him in August.

Elections were held "freely and fairly," the president said, adding that "even observers from the developed world, who look through the microscope to find fault with the developing nations, came out with open praise."

Pakistan, he said, did not need a foreign certificate for its commitment to democracy but "this must have satisfied those of us who warmly welcome everthing with a foreign label on it."

A 40-member team of international poll watchers from the Washington-based National Democratic Institue and a group of Canadian observers had given a clean bill to the elections. A French observer team had expressed an opposite view.

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#90312d7160 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 8) - The French Arjormari paper group and the British Wiggins Teape Appleton paper company on Thursday announced that they were to link their operations to form the biggest paper group in the European Economic Community (EEC) with sales of about 25 billion francs (about five billion dollars).

Arjormari is to contribute its industrial and commercial assets to the arrangement, and will receive new actions in Wiggins so that it holds 39 per cent of the company which is quoted on the London stock exchange.

Arjormari would then be the biggest shareholder in the new group, a statement by the two companies said.

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#90312d7180 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Nairobi (NOV. 8) - Ivory Coast President Felix Houphouet-Boigny has named 48-year-old economics expert Alassane Ouattara as the country's first prime minister since independence 30 years ago.

Radio reports from the capital Abidjan monitored here Thursday said the president told Ouattara his main task would be to reorganise the highly-indebted country's finances.

The new post was created when the national parliament made changes to the constitution Tuesday.

Ouattara was previously governor of the central bank of West African states. For the last eight months he has been de facto premier as the head of a

ministerial commission set up by Houphouet to draft a programme to rehabilitate the economy.

The 85-year-old president was elected 12 days ago for a further five-year term as head of state. Polling for a new parliament is scheduled for the end of November or beginning of December.

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#90312d7190 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RAGUSA, Sicily (NOV. 8) - Nine people were murdered in mafia-related killings in southern Italy Wednesday, police said Thursday.

Bodies of three men and a woman, found between Gela and Ragusa on the island of Sicily, were riddled with bullets.

Investigators believe that Francesco and Roberto Piscopo, aged 25 and 30, and Emanuele Argento, 30, were killed in the mafia's fight for control over the region.

A fourth victim, Sara De Luca, 25, from Milan, was probably gunned down for being a witness of the murders.

Five other killings were discovered in Calabria and Apulia regions, as well as in Sicily and Sardinia.

In Calabria, Domenico Mezzatesta, 51, owner of a game hall, was killed in the village of Bovalino and Giuseppe Schinizzi, 47, was gunned down in Reggio.

Near the Sicilian city of Catania, police found the charred body of a man whose hands had been tied behind his back. Another man was gunned down in Foggia, Apulia.

A 26-year-old woman, Giuseppina Sanna, was ambushed and killed near Nuoro, Sardinia.

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#90312d7200 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH, GERMANY (NOV. 8) - The Germany electronics and engineering group Siemens said on Thursday that it had won a contract worth 61 million dollars to supply telephonic equipment to the Philippines.

During the 1989-1990 financial year Siemens achieved sales totalling 90 billion Deutschemarks (60 billion dollars) in the Philippines, of which half was concerned with telecommunications.

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#90312d7230 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 8) - Toyo Menka Kaisha Ltd., a leading Japanese trading company, said Thursday it would set up a joint venture to manufacture basic materials for detergents in Vietnam from 1992.

The joint venture will be capitalized at two million dollars with 20 percent each held by Toyo Menka and Teica, a Japanese chemical firm.

Vimex Co., a Tokyo-based trading company specializing in Vietnam, will hold another five per cent, company officials said.

The Vietnamese partners, South Vietnam Detergent Co., Union of Cosmetics Enterprises and Export Foodstuffs and Agricultural Products Co. will hold 15 per cent each while 10 per cent goes to the Bank of Foreign Trade of Vietnam, they said.

The joint venture will produce annually 10,000 tonnes of alkylbenzene sulfonates and 1,000 tonnes of alcoholic surface-active agents, meeting all of Vietnam's domestic needs for these basic materials in detergents.

The project is expected to cost about six million dollars, the officials said.

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#90312d7240 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CANBERRA (NOV. 8) - Foreign investors will be allowed to buy up to 40 percent of Australian Airlines and 35 percent of Qantas when the government sells them Prime Minister Bob Hawke said Thursday.

In a speech to parliament, Mr. Hawke gave no timetable for the sale of the airlines, approved by a special conference of the Labor Party on September 24.

But he hinted that it would not take place during the government's current term of office, which runs until March 1993.

The Labor Party conference approved government plans to sell all of Australian Airlines and 49 percent of Qantas.

Qantas chairman Bill Dix has said the airline's investment programme called for spending of at least one billion dollars (780 million U.S.) a year until the end of the century.

Mr. Hawke said no individual foreign investor would be permitted to buy more than 25 percent of Australian Airlines and total foreign investment would be limited to 40 percent.

The foreign investment limit for Qantas would be set at 35 percent.

Qantas would remain Australia's sole international carrier for the "foreseeable future", Mr. Hawke said, but there was a potential role for a second designated freight airline.

Mr. Hawke said there would be no more major aviation policy changes during the government's fourth term in order to allow induistry deregulation, effective this month, to work.

"It would ... be stupid to attempt to sell the airlines while shifting the goal posts for potential purchasers," he said.

Opposition Leader John Hewson described the announcement as welcome but half-hearted.

There was no reason not to remove the limits immediately and move to full competition, including participation of foreign airlines, he said.

Mr. Hewson said the opposition was "a bit fascinated" by the 49 percent limit on Qantas which would leave it in the public sector.

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#90312d7340 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 8) - Japanese electronics giant Toshiba Corp. said Thursday it had formed a research laboratory with four other leading firms to develop advanced computer-graphics technology using high-definition television (HDTV).

Toshiba said the joint laboratory -- representing the electronics, construction, textile and media industries -- would carry out a 10-month project costing 500 million yen (four million dollars).

Other partners are Toray Industries Inc., the country's biggest manufacturer of synthetic fibres, Shimizu Corp., a leading construction company, Canon Sales Co. Inc., the sales unit of Japan's biggest cameramaker, and NHK Entreprises Ltd., an affiliate of the national television network Japan Broadcasting Corp.

"Specialists from the member companies, including computer engineers and designers, will jointly develop advanced computer graphics technology that will be widely applicable in the future," a joint statement said.

The statement said the lab would also be working in cooperation with Carnegie Mellon University of the United States which it said currently had the world's leading technology for computer graphics. Research into computer graphics had until now been done by single companies or industries, it added.

The lab will use the HDTV system known as Hi-Vision, which has been developed by NHK as the main rival to another system in Europe. Both systems offer

extremely high quality pictures and are currently locked in a battle to become the world standard for the next generation of televisions.

One of the lab's projects will be to develop a software program called "Albert" explaining Einstein's thoery of relativity, the statement said.

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#90312d7350 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manama (NOV. 8) - Oil revenues for Gulf states could more than double over the next year, according to a report released here Thursday.

The report, prepared by the Bahrain-based Gulf International Bank, attributed this to high prices and increased production levels that followed the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates (Uae) and other Opec members have boosted their short-term production to make up for oil lost from Kuwait and Iraq following the imposition of the United Nations economic embargo.

''If oil prices prevail above 25 dollars a barrel throughout 1991, with production at full capacity, government revenues could more than double compared to last year,'' the report said.

However, the report advised Gulf states to boost their oil output capacity to keep their prices competitive.

''The oil capacity needs to be boosted to levels enabling them (Gulf states) to pump additional oil when required, to cope with sudden bursts in world demand, or an unforeseen drop in supply, similar to the current situation,'' it said.

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#90312d7360 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 8) - Mitsubishi Estate Co. Ltd., Japan's second-biggest real-estate concern, said Thursday its net profit grew eight percent to 21.8 billion yen (158 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, which stunned the United States last year with its purchase of a majority stake in New York's landmark Rockefeller Center, said revenue jumped 30.1 percent to 167 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars) from the same period last year.

Revenue from leasing land and office buildings rose 9.4 percent to 93 billion yen (674 million dollars) while real-estate revenue doubled to 53 billion yen (385 million yen). Revenue from building design and contract work grew 31 percent to 19 billion yen (138 million dollars).

The company forecast a net profit of 44 billion yen (319 million dollars) for the full year, slightly above its previous estimate, on sales of 330 billion yen (2.4 billion dollars).

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#90312d7430 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Colombo (NOV. 8) - A five-month war against separatist Tamil rebels has left troops in control of less than 20 per cent of Sri Lanka's northern province, Deputy Defence Minister Ranjan Wijeratne said Thursday.

Wijeratne refused to admit that the rest of the province was held by the rebel Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, but independent reports said the Tigers were in control.

The minister said that the government offensive had slowed down due to the ''want of men''. He said the government was in the process of training reinforcements.

''When we capture an area we have to hold on to it. For this we need more troops. We have enough meterial, but not the men so we are now training them'', he added.

The Tigers, part of the Hindu minority that make up 17 per cent of Sri Lanka's 15 million population, are fighting for an independent state in the north and northeast.

Wijeratne claimed that the troops were in ''overall control' of the east. Independent reports have indicated the rebels are holding eastern areas around Trincomalee, Batticaloa and Ampara.

The 21-week war in the north and east has killed more than 1,000 civilians,

1,200 security personnel and 2,000 rebels, according to official figures. dpa ms 081156 nov 90

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#90312d7510 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 8) - Hitachi Ltd., Japan's biggest manufacturer of electrical equipment, said Thursday it planned to set up a new company in France next year to make computer parts for the European market.

The new company, Hitachi Computer Products (Europe) SA, will be based near Orleans and initially capitalised at 100 million francs (20 million dollars) from February, rising to 174 million francs (35 million dollars) in 1993.

A new plant is due to start operating in April 1992, producing magnetic disc subsystems and related parts and possibly moving into other fields such as work-stations, application programs and research and development activities.

"Hitachi plans for the company to play a pivotal role in the development of its European electronics sector operations in coming years," a statement said. "This type of integration has become a particulary urgent issue in Europe because of the unification of the (European) market secheduled for late 1992."

The company said the move was part of a globalisation program which already included a computer parts unit set up in the United States in 1985 and which now makes semi-conductors as well as subsytems for magnetic discs and tapes.

Hitachi's existing plants in Europe include a British unit set up in 1979 to make televisions, video-cassete recorders and other consumer goods as well as a similar plant in Germany, established in 1980. The company has also produced semi-conductors at a separate German unit since 1980.

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#90312d7540 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 8) - Japan's Yamaha Corp., the world's top maker of musical instruments, said Thursday its net profit rose 19 per cent from a year earlier to four billion yen (30 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Sales edged up 0.6 per cent to 204 billion yen (1.5 billion dollars) with higher sales of pianos, household utensils, sporting goods and electronic equipment offset by lower sales of electronic instruments and audio equipment.

Yamaha forecast a net profit of 4.5 billion yen (33 million dollars) for the full year on sales of 392 billion yen (2.8 billion dollars).

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#90312d7610 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (NOV. 8) - The value of South Africa's agricultural exports is expected to dip by more than 600 million rands (234 million dollars) compared with the sector's record foreign exchange earnings last year, latest Agriculture Department estimates show.

The department has put the value of this year's exports at 5.1 billion rands (1.9 billion dollars) against last year's record of 5.7 billion rands (2.23 billion dollars).

Main reason is a 15 percent reduction in the world price of wool and a fall of about 3.5 million tons in this year's maize harvest from 1989's huge crop of 11.5 million tons.

Maize exports are only expected to bring in about 340 million rands (133 million dollars) against 1.4 billion rands (546 million dollars) in 1989.

Sugar earnings are also expected to be down, with the South African Sugar Association estimating that exports will earn 559 million rands (218 million dollars) in the current trading year as opposed to 698 million rands (272 million dollars) in 1989.

But foreign exchange earnings have been boosted by a big increase in the value of fresh deciduous fruit shipped abroad -- up by more than 40 percent from 920 million rands (358 million dollars) in 1989 to an estimated 1.337 billion rands (524 million dollars) this year.

Meanwhile, South Africa is expected to have to import some 800,000 tons of wheat following poor rainfall in the growing area. This year's crop is expected to yield only 1.7 million tons against domestic wheat requirement of 2.5 million tons.

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#90312d7700 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 8) - Japanese sporting goods manufacturer Mizuno Corp. said Thursday its net profit leapt 27.2 percent from a year earlier to 3.6 billion yen (26 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Sales jumped 14.2 percent to 87.5 billion yen (634 million dollars).

The company forecast a net profit of 5.5 billion yen (40 million dollars) for the year to March on sales of 170 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars).

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#90312d7720 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 8) - The French state-owned Renault car company plans to cut its workforce by 4,620 people in 1991 to reduce the number of employees to 63,128 by the end of the year, trades union sources said on Thursday.

Renault management declined to comment, beyond saying that a plan which was explained to employees on Wednesday would be published on November 13.

The union sources said that the company planned to make the cuts because of a fall in profits and a weakening of the European market for cars.

Renault has said that it expects profits in 1990 to fall by 60 per cent from nine billion French francs (about 1.8 billion dollars) in 1989 to four billion francs (800 million dollars).

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#90312d7790 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN (NOV. 8) - The Swedish Volvo car manufacturer plans to build a car-assembly plant at Tjerepovets 400 kilometres (250 miles) north of Moscow, the company newspaper Volvo Nu reported on Thursday.

Volvo had been approached by the Soviet engineering ministry, and a memorandum of understanding had been signed in September during a visit to Volvo headquarters here by a Soviet delegation.

The newspaper quoted Volvo Car International director Ralph Johansson as saying that talks were at a preliminary stage and that Volvo had first to create a network for selling and servicing cars in the Soviet Union.

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#90312d7820 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (NOV. 8) - The Philippines' current account deficit rose by 50 percent in the first eight months of the year to hit 1.69 billion dollars, the Central Bank (CB) said Thursday.

The balance of payments deficit, however, fell 46 percent to 266 million dollars, compared with the same period last year, after rescheduling of foreign debt, the CB said in a statement.

The trade deficit alone soared 5O percent to 2.56 billion dollars. Exports rose by 3.35 percent to 5.3 billion dollars while imports jumped 15 percent to 7.87 billion dollars, the CB said. The current account measures trade plus some transfers.

The CB attributed the fall in the balance of payments deficit to foreign debt restructuring schemes, adding that without them the deficit would have hit 1.46 billion dollars.

The Philippine peso was devalued 8.7 percent last week and has fallen by 25 percent against the U.S. dollar since January. Inflation on a yearly basis was running at 12 percent in October, up from 11 percent in September.

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#90312d7890 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 8) - Sugar supply and demand is roughly in balance for the 1990-1991 production season, according to trade house Czarnikow in its latest report here.

Czarnikow forecast September 1990-August 1991 production at 110.69 million tonnes, up from its August forecast of 109.87 million.

Consumption for the calendar year 1991 was forecast at 110.43 million tonnes, down from 110.8 million forecast in August.

Although this leaves the market in slight surplus, the addition of a 600,000 tonne disappearance factor brings the market into deficit to the tune of 340,000 tonnes, the trade house said.

Czarnikow's forecast compares with a one-million-tonne surplus forecast by rival trade house E.D. and F. Man earlier this week, and with an International Sugar Organisation forecast made in September for a 500,000 tonne surplus.

Czarnikow pointed out that its use of calendar year consumption figures instead of season estimates explain most of the discrepancy.

The forecast confirms a trend towards expectations that the sugar market is moving towards equilibrium after five successive years of deficit which have eroded world stocks.

Czarnikow increased its Indian crop estimate for the season by 250,000 tonnes to 12.25 million tonnes, a level at which it said 11.4 million tonnes could be covered and exports resumed.

Trade sources said Thursday morning that India is expected to announce a sale tender for two cargoes of sugar for December shipment later in the day.

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#90312d7940 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 8) - China has suspended diplomatic relations with Nicaragua in retaliation for the Central American country's decision to set up diplomatic ties with Taiwan, the official New China News Agency (NCNA) said.

The move by Beijing -- which does not maintain diplomatic ties with any nation that recognises Taipei -- was revealed in a brief announcement by NCNA from Managua Wednesday, without any comment from the Chinese media Thursday.

NCNA said China's ambassador to Nicaragua, Huang Zhiliang, had protested Wednesday to Nicaraguan Foreign Minister Enrique Dreyfus at Managua's decision Monday to recognise the Nationalist government in Taipei.

Managua's recognition of Taipei "violated the joint communique issued by China and Nicaragua, when they established diplomatic ties on December 7, 1985," NCNA said.

Mr. Huang had said Managua had at that time recognised China as "the country's only legitimate government and that Taiwan is a territorial and inseparable part of the People's Republic of China," NCNA said.

Beijing's official position is that Taiwan is a Chinese province which will inevitably be reconciled with the mainland one day.

China's Foreign Ministry had not released the news 24 hours after the ties were suspended.

Observers here attributed the silence by the government and the official media to Beijing's embarrassment at Taipei's success in being first to establish links with a country which recently "abandoned the socialist path."

Nicaragua opted for a centre-right government in February, with the election defeat of the Sandinistas and the fall of their chief, Daniel Ortega, a close ally of mainland China.

Since the crushing of the pro-democracy movement here in June 1989, Grenada, Liberia, Belize, Lesotho and Guinea-Bissau have all turned to Taipei, in preference to Beijing.

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#90312d7980 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 8) - The European Economic Community (EEC) has dropped an action against Ireland to force it into breaking a government monopoly on telecommunications terminals, the European Commission said here Thursday.

The state-owned Telecom Eirann had not initially complied with an EEC directive to open up terminal sales to the private sector, because it had retained a monopoly on some telephone sales, the commission said.

But Telecom Eirann had now dropped this monopoly, the commission said.

A similar action had also been dropped against Denmark after the government had dropped a monopoly on PABX equipment, but another was still in force against Belgium, it said.

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#90312d8090 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 8) - Royal Dutch Shell reported here Thursday a net profit of 1.1 billion pounds sterling in the third quarter, nearly 70 percent higher than earnings in the same period of 1989.

The British-Dutch concern said that for the first nine months of 1990, its profit was 2.5 billion pounds, down from 3 billion pounds in the same period last year.

During the third quarter, Shell said the average price for North Sea Brent crude was 26.40 dollars per barrel, some 9 dollars higher than the

second-quarter price.

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#90312d8100 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 8) - A senior official in the Rwandan Patriotic Front denied Thursday that rebel leader Major-General Fred Rwigyema was killed by one of his aides, who was then slain in turn by Rwigyema loyalists.

Mr. 'Tito', a member of the RPF's executive committee, stated here that the claim, made Wednesday in Nairobi by sources close to the rebels, was "lying propaganda".

Last Saturday, Mr. Tito, who asked that his full name not be given for security reasons, said in Brussels that Maj.-Gen. Rwigyema had died in a mine blast in northeastern Rwanda on October 2, one day after leading rebel forces into the east African country from Uganda.

The sources in Nairobi, however, said he was shot on October 3 by his deputy, Major Peter Bayingana, who opposed his plan for a lightning strike on the Rwandan capital Kigali and wanted a slow guerrilla war to wear down the regime in power.

That account was confirmed by Western diplomats in Nairobi, while the Rwandan army said no mines had been laid near the Kagitumba border post whence the invasion was launched.

Maj. Bayingana and another rebel leader, Major Chris Bunyenzeni, were later killed by rebels angered by the death of Maj.-Gen. Rwigyema, according to the sources in Nairobi.

The RPF on Thursday, however, released a letter here which it said was written by the widows of the three men, all killed in action against government forces and "buried on the battlefield", according to Mr. Tito.

"The enemy is doing its best to sow discord among us by disinformation," the three women were presented as writing.

"It has unashamedly spread rumours of rivalry among our husbands which led to their deaths. This is a tactic which is more than absurd and which throws light on the despair of an enemy conscious of its impending defeat."

Mr. Tito had on Saturday said the death of Maj.-Gen. Rwigyema, former deputy commander of the Ugandan army, was hushed up to avoid "demobilizing" the rebel forces, a stance echoed on Wednesday by a source close to the rebels in Nairobi.

Most RPF fighters are Ugandan army deserters of the Tutsi people whose

families fled Rwanda amid horrific massacres in the late 1950s, when the Hutu majority seized power in the prelude to independence from Belgium in 1962.

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#90312d8120 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 8) - Harried British author Salman Rushdie, who has been living in hiding after the late Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's death sentence for allegedly blaspheming Islam, said Thursday he wanted "to find an end to this story".

"I wonder sometimes what a person who wasn't a writer would do in such a situation," Mr. Rushdie said in an interview with a U.S. friend, Gerald Marzorati, last month that was published by The Guardian Thursday.

The Indian-born author has been living under cover since February 15 last year after publication of his book The Satanic Verses drew violent reactions from Moslems in Britain and overseas.

"Now as then, I spend much of each day writing and reading", Mr. Rushdie said in an apartment, not his own and under heavy police protection.

Since the late Iranian leader's "fatwa", or edict to execute the writer, Mr. Rushdie has given up driving his car, and shuns cinemas and shopping.

In the first five months of his forced seclusion ,he reportedly moved 56 times.

Mr. Rushdie now busies himself with reading newspapers, watching "too much" television, making phone calls, and meeting visitors, mostly publishers and writer friends.

"I've simply decided I'm going to let myself smoke" after a seven-year halt. "I have reason for it", he said.

Mr. Rushdie has spoken to Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel, a writer himself, who, he said, "has proven a staunch supporter, organising a petition to the Iranian government to have the fatwa lifted". So far to no avail.

A meeting in London earlier this year, sought by the president, could not be arranged due to security reasons.

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#90312d8130 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Duesseldorf (NOV. 8) - Dow Jones Inc., publisher of the Wall Street Journal, and the German publishing group Georg von Holtzbrinck announced Thursday a joint venture in the field of international publications.

The venture, ''Handelsblatt-Dow Jones'', will be based in Frankfurt and will work jointly in advertising sales and newspaper sales in Germany and the rest of Europe, the announcement said.

Handelsblatt is Germany's leading daily business newspaper with a circulation of around 140,000 copies. The Wall Street Journal has a circulation of some 2 million, and its European edition about 50,000.

Both Dow Jones and Holtzbrinck are partners in a number of other European ventures, including the French group Expansion, the announcement noted.

Holtzbrinck declined to disclose the equity breakdown in its partnership with Dow Jones in the new venture.

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#90312d8190 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 8) - Former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi Thursday declined to form a new Indian government to replace the outgoing administration of Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh.

''We will not be able to put together a stable government on our own because we do not have a majority'', said Gandhi, whose Congress (I) Party is the largest in the 545-seat lower house of parliament.

President Ramaswamy Venkataraman had asked Gandhi if would be ''able and willing'' to form a cabinet after Singh's 11-month-old minority government resigned Wednesday when the prime minister lost a vote of confidence in parliament.

Gandhi said ''there is no change in the party's stand in extending support from outside'' to a splinter group of Singh's Janata Dal, which triggered the resignation.

The rebels, led by Chandra Shekhar, 63, a long time party official, withdrew their support from the prime minister on Monday and sought Gandhi's help in forming a new government.

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#90312d8200 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (NOV. 8) - Albania, in a radical change of policy, is prepared to let places of worship reopen after a ban of more than 20 years, its leader, Ramiz Alia, said in a speech carried Thursday by the official news agency ATA.

The current constitution, adopted in 1976, "violates freedom of conscience by making atheism a normal state", Mr. Alia told a communist party central committee meeting in Tirana Wednesday, according to the report monitored here.

"The people must decide", he said. "We cannot oppose those who support closing places of worship, but by the same token we can't ignore the opinion of people who want them opened".

Authorities closed down places of worship in 1967. Albania, once a Moslem country, is officially atheistic and all religious activities are illegal.

"Anyone has the right to be an atheist, (but) there can be no question of prohibiting someone from being religious", Mr. Alia added.

In the speech, he called for articles 37 and 55 of the constitution to be amended.

The first says the state "does not recognize any religion" and "supports and develops atheist propaganda" to promote "the concept of scientific materialism". The second article forbids the creation of "fascist, anti-democratic or religious" types of organizations.

Changing the constitution, Mr. Alia added, did not mean "the communists and others are abandoning atheism and the right to make atheistic propaganda", which, he said, was "a right as democratic as believing in a religion".

Albania is governed by Eastern Europe's last hardline Stalinist regime.

However, its constitution and law are to be changed in response to demands by the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE). Albania obtained CSCE observer in June and has applied for full membership.

In the speech, Mr. Alia also said he favoured making mass organizations -- like trade unions, the youth organization and the party-backed Democratic Front -- independent of the communist party.

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#90312d8210 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 8) - The British Steel company on Thursday announced closure of its seamless tube plant at Clydesdale in Scotland with the loss of 1,200 jobs.

The plant has made losses for six years, and the company, which was privatised in 1988, said it had decided on closing because of excess world capacity.

The Financial Times newspaper had reported on Wednesday that British Steel was discussing a partnership arrangement with Japanese steel companies.

British Steel, which produced 14.6 million tons of steel last year, is the fourth-biggest producer in the world and is the most profitable European producer.

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#90312d8300 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (NOV. 8) - Two senior ministers on Thursday flayed a human rights report prepared by members of the European Parliament in which it was alleged that at least 60,000 people disappeared in Sri Lanka since 1987.

"It is a one-sided report," Ranil Wickremasinghe, minister of industries and leader of the House in Parliament, told reporters. He said the team had not spoken to all parties in making the report.

"The European Parliament has got into the habit of whacking Asian countries," Mr. Wickremasinghe said. First it was China and now Sri Lanka, he said.

"Those who claim to uphold fundamental rights must also practice what they preach," Mr. Wickremasinghe said, alleging that the European group had violated normal procedures by not informing the government of its arrival here.

The report was released Saturday by the human rights team, which included two members of the European Parliament, Christine Oddy and Alex Smith of Britain.

The report said various estimates suggested that "at least 60,000 disappeared in the south since 1987" but that the figure could be higher.

It said the findings were based on interviews with relatives of missing persons, MPs, senior government and military officials.

"People can write reports and reports. Only thing is I hope those who write the reports are not prejudiced," Minister of State for Defence Ranjan Wijeratne said.

"It is easy for people to write about excesses and abuses but why didn't they come when my party people were killed," Mr. Wijeratne said, referring to a violent anti-government campaign by the extremist People's Liberation Front (JVP).

"Why is that they (the human rights workers) are so concerned when we have taken control of the situation?", the minister said. "It was a life and death battle for us then. The whole world was silent."

The JVP insurgency, which was widespread in southern Sri Lanka, was crushed by the military in November 1989.

A large number of cases "linked the alleged involvement either direct or indirect of the police and armed forces" the report said, adding that when the group met Mr. Wijeratne he had admitted to army excesses.

Accusing the "so-called human rights activists" of fighting the cause of criminals, Mr. Wijeratne said excesses occurred in the natural course of justice.

"Do not innocent people die in the crossfire," he said, adding that only when "bombs go under their seats will they (the human rights activists) realise what terrorism is."

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#90312d8310 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BY OLAF VON RANDOW

HAMBURG (NOV. 8) - The flags and banners have been put away, the euphoria has vanished, and now, more distinctly than ever before, it has become clear that the October 3 German unification has brought together two unequal partners whose economies are running in completely opposite directions.

While industry in the eleven states comprising the former West Germany enjoy an unparalleled economic boom, continuing an uninterrupted nine-year period of growth, the five new states in eastern Germany are suffering a collapse.

In western Germany, industrial production in the August-September period, as in the preceding months, rose by six per cent. In eastern Germany, output has collapsed, running in August 51 per cent lower than in the same month a year earlier.

Contributing to this development has been an unprecedented buying spree by East German consumers, who for decades were cut off from western consumer goods. Their demand for West German-produced goods has started to create supply problems in the West.

For example, German carmakers even despite introducing overtime work shifts, cannot keep up with demand and are expecting to set a production record this year of around 5 million vehicles. The market in western German for used cars has been virtually swept clean by East German buyers.

In July and August, the combined purchases by East and West Germans in western Germany were 13 per cent higher than a year earlier. This means that the demand coming from eastern Germany has mainly filled up the order books in western Germany.

In the August-September period, West German industrial orders stood 12.7 per cent higher than a year earlier.

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#90312d8320 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 8) - About 40 young men, dressed in pre-revolutionary army uniforms, marched through central Moscow on Thursday to pay tribute to "white guards" who fought against Red Army troops during the civil war, Tass news agency reported.

Flying the pre-revolutionary white-blue-red flag, with a black two-headed eagle in the upper corner, the demonstrators, from the Russian Vityaz (knight) monarchist union, held a commemoration service near Ascension Cathedral.

They then laid a wreath at the former mansion of Prince Gagarin, near where military cadets and revolutionaries clashed in fierce fighting in October 1917 after Lenin's coup d'etat.

The Soviet Union on Wednesday marked the 73th anniversary of the revolution, now commemorated in November because of the change in calendar.

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#90312d8340 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 8) - A two-year-old girl was killed, two people were missing and 193 rescued after a ferry caught fire at sea off the southern Philippine island of Mindanao, the navy said here Thursday.

The coast guard and private boats managed to rescue 145 passengers and 48 crew from the MV Surigao del Sur, which was earlier reported to have sunk, navy reports from the area said.

The vessel, earlier identified as the MV Tandag, was towed to an island after being disabled by the fire, which began in the engine room, the navy said.

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#90312d8350 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 8) - French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas called on Thursday for faster progress towards EEC economic and monetary union (EMU) by strengthening the role of the Ecu in public and private transactions.

"Why wait until 2000 to give the Ecu (European Currency Unit) full rights in public and private transactions?" he asked in a parliamentary debate on the budget.

He said that the Ecu was "becoming a real common currency which could co-exist with national currencies".

The pay of members of parliament and of civil servants could be denominated in Ecus, and he hoped to see companies use the Ecu as a means of billing and for keeping their accounts.

Mr. Dumas raised the possibility of promoting the Ecu in tourism, for hotel bills, travellers' cheques, and transaction between airlines.

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#90312d8540 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Jerusalem (NOV. 8) - Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories observed a general strike Thursday to commemorate the Temple Mount incident of October 8 when about 20 Arabs were killed by Israeli security forces.

Most shops and businesses on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip stayed closed. There were no reports of clashes between demonstrators and Israeli police.

Meanwhile at Jenin jail in the north of the West Bank, prisoners stabbed to death a 36-year-old guard, officials said.

In another incident, a Palestinian attacked an Israeli soldier with a knife at the Rafiach refugee camp in the Gaza Strip. The soldier, who was wearing a protective vest, was uninjured.

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#90312d8550 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO (NOV. 8) - The upcoming visit of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, who will receive the Nobel peace prize on December 10, is clouded by diverging interests, and the visit might turn out to be extremely short, conservative morning newspaper Aftenposten wrote on Thursday.

The Nobel peace prize committee and the Soviet embassy in Oslo are unable to agree on a program for President Gorbachev, and neither can say anything as to the date of arrival and the duration of the stay.

With the award ceremony only four weeks off, it is still unclear whether Mr. Gorbachev wants a special program set up for him. Aftenposten said the Soviet embassy is unhappy with the way the Nobel committee is handling the visit.

A sticking point is formalities regarding the arrival ceremony at Oslo airport. Traditionally the award winner is met by the committee chairman, but the embassy demands the presence of government members, preferably the Prime Minister herself.

"President Gorbatchev is no Mother Theresa," the newspaper wrote, quoting an unidentified Soviet embassy official.

The director of the Nobel Institute, Geir Lundestad, said tradition played an important part, and that the committee would stress its independent position by meeting the President alone.

It seems obvious that Mr. Gorbachev will not stay for three whole days, as planned by the Nobel committee. Most likely he will arrive just a few hours before the award ceremony and leave the following day, reducing the visit to an absolute minimum, Aftenposten wrote.

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#90312d8600 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 8) - French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas, warning against unilateral steps in the Gulf crisis, said here Thursday the United Nations Security Council was the only body authorized to outline international action against Iraq.

France demanded strict compliance with U.N. resolutions that could be "altered completed or clarified" only by the Security Council, Mr. Dumas said, addressing parliament in a budget debate.

Legal rights could not be created by force, Mr. Dumas said, referring to "all Middle East conflicts, in Lebanon, and in the seemingly endless war opposing Israelis and Palestinians".

Mr. Dumas also reiterated French calls for creation of a Palestinian state.

"The Israelis cannot deny the Palestinians what they themselves have obtained -- a state, a homeland of which to be proud", he said. France "more than ever calls for an international conference to be held", he added.

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#90312d8620 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (NOV. 8) - Iraqi authorities, probing for international understanding, are allowing more hostages to leave Baghad as Arab and Western leaders issue fresh warnings of war in the Gulf.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thather, in some of the bluntest talk yet by a Western leader, declared Wednesday that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had better get his troops out of Kuwait "soon, or we and our allies will remove him by force."

At the same time the United States, according to reports by two U.S. television networks, has decided to bolster its Gulf deployment by 700 tanks and 100,000 troops.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, also warning that war was inevitable unless Mr. Hussein took his troops out of Kuwait, announced that Egypt too was strengthening its military presence in Saudi Arabia by 400 tanks and 7,000 men.

As war talk gathered pace, Iraq offered fresh concessions on the hostage

question.

At least five delegations of Western figures, in defiance of the United States are now planning to travel to Baghdad to arrange the release of their nationals.

Iraq on Wednesday gave them reason to hope that their missions might bear fruit when it authorized the release of 238 Poles, 100 Germans and 20 citizens of other nationalities.

Earlier in the day 74 Japanese flew out of Baghdad for Tokyo, thanks to the intervention of former Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone.

President Hussein authorized the departure of the Japanese on Tuesday and on Wednesday, in response to a request from former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt, agreed to set free the Germans and citizens of 20 other nations.

Three MPs from Canada and four from Switzerland, without the backing of their governments, are now preparing to try their luck with Mr. Hussein, who is holding 80 Swiss and 70 Canadian nationals.

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#90312d8700 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 8) - The European Economic Community (EEC) is to make an emergency donation of aid worth 4.6 million dollars to combat famine and the effects of civil war in Ethiopia, the European Commission said here Thursday.

The commission, the executive of the EEC, said the money would be used to improve transport and the distribution of foods, medicines and other necessities in the Asmara region and Eritrea.

It said in a statement that food shortages in Eritrea and Tigre provinces were getting worse, and that the number of people needing emergency medical treatment for malnutrition was growing.

There was also an increased risk of epidemics resulting from a lack of water purification equipment and fuel, the commission said.

Since the closure of the port of Massawa in February, emergency efforts have been made to establish new conduits of aid to the north, notably an airbridge set up by the United Nations.

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#90312d8730 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Frankfurt (NOV. 8) - The sale of the financially troubled giant retailing firm Co op to a rival company, Asko Deutsche Kaufhaus, will be completed

shortly, Co op's majority shareholder said Thursday.

Dg bank, which holds 67.5 percent of Co op, said ''negotiations have reached a very advanced stage'' with Asko, based in Saarbruecken, for the sale. The Frankfurt bank said it expected the transaction to be completed by the coming weekend.

The development comes a year after Co op was on the verge of bankruptcy and could only be rescued through a major reorganisation effort and strong financial backing from Dg bank and another institute, the BfG bank, which holds 22.5 percent of Co op's equity.

Co op had become embroiled in a fraud scandal involving several of its top-level managers, the chief allegation being a coverup of the company's precarious financial situation in the early 1980s while it borrowed increasing amounts of money to stay afloat.

By September 1989, Co op had outstanding debts of some 2.7 billion marks, with 2.3 billion in unsecured loans.

Co op is due to present its next annual business report November 14. Company managers recently hinted that the company may show a 100 million mark (67 million dollar) surplus, on turnover of some 4 billion marks, chiefly resulting from the sale of various holdings.

Before its financial problems, Co op's turnover was in the range of some 12 billion marks annually.

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#90312d8740 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 8) - Passenger service on a new rail link between northwest China and Soviet Central Asia is to start in June 1992, the official New China News Agency (NCNA) has announced.

Freight service on what is being billed as "the Eurasian continental land bridge" will open three months later, it added.

The dates were set at a meeting of Chinese and Soviet railway delegations on Monday in Urumqi, capital of the mainly Moslem northwest region of Xinjiang, the news agency said.

Under construction for several years, the Chinese leg of the railway is to join a long-existant Soviet line at Druzhba, in Kazakhstan, which in turn connects with the Trans-Siberian Railway.

Officials in Urumqi have said they hope the new line will open their poor but resource-rich region to new markets in Europe.

It is expected to complement Beijing-Moscow rail services which now operate via Mongolia or northeast China.

NCNA also reported that work had begun on an electrified railway from northwestern Shaanxi province, through Gansu province and into Ningxia Autonomous Region.

With a total length of nearly 500 kilometers (310 miles), it is to link up with four national rail trunk lines.

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#90312d8760 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOGADISHU (NOV. 8) - A Somali military plane has been "missing" since it took off from here for a test flight Wednesday, military authorities said here Thursday.

Two men were aboard the plane, a Gestetner CI 260.

The plane's disappearance follows the defection to neighbouring Djibouti last week of three senior Somali army officers. Djibouti agreed to help them find a country of asylum.

The soldiers were based in northern Somalia, where recent gains have been made by the Somali National Movement, one of three main rebel forces seeking to topple the embattled 21-year-old government of President Mohamed Siad Barre.

Military officials named the plane's two occupants, presumably air force officers, as Ahmed Abdi Shino and Abdiwali Jama Warsame, but did not give their ranks.

They appealed to the public to report any information on the plane's whereabouts to the armed forces.

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#90312d8870 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 8) - A Sino-Canadian joint venture to bottle alcoholic beverages has formally opened in Shanghai with a total investment of 8.5 million dollars, the official New China News Agency reported.

Shanghai Seagram Ltd., owned jointly by Seagram's and China Winery, has already produced 1.3 million bottles of wine coolers during four months of trial operation, it said.

Seagram's chairman and chief executive officer, Edgar Bronfman, attended Wednesday's inauguration, it said.

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#90312d8980 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 8) - Japan's Daihatsu Motor Co. said Thursday it would produce small commercial motor vehicles in Italy jointly with that country's Piaggio and C.S.P.A.

For the first year, the two automakers plan to produce 25,000 trucks and vans with exhaust volumes ranging from 800 to 1,000 cubic centimeters, Daihatsu said.

The trucks and vans will be sold in Italy and other European countries, it said, without specifying when and where joint production would start.

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#90312d9000 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ATHENS (NOV. 8) - Environment Minister Stephanos Manos announced an ambitious programme to fight air pollution here Thursday, ranging from tax incentives for people who buy "clean cars" to improved public transportation.

The plan to eliminate air pollution within seven years even affects bakers, who will have to switch from oil to diesel fuel to heat ovens by next April 1.

Automobiles and other vehicles produce 80 percent of the gases that hang over the Greek capital in the form of a nefos, or toxic cloud, making life miserable for four million Athenians.

To combat this, the government plans to set up facilities to fit old cars with catalytic converters and filters, while significant tax breaks will be offered to people who purchase new cars fitted with anti-pollution devices.

From January 1, 1993, cars without such equipment will be banned from downtown Athens.

Meanwhile, the quality of fuels is to be upgraded, with natural gas introduced whenever possible, and the city's bus and trolley systems improved. A mini-bus will go into operation in the city centre and two underground parking lots are to be built.

The government is also considering construction of two subway (underground) lines, whose estimated 1.3 to 1.6 billion dollar cost would be borne by the European Economic Community - 25 percent in the form of an outright grant, and the rest as loans.

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#90312d9120 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Duesseldorf (NOV. 8) - The energy, chemicals and industrial concern Veba said here Thursday that its surplus fell six percent in the first nine months of 1990 to 609 million marks (407 million dollars) despite a strong rise in turnover.

The company attributed the drop chiefly to weakening earnings in the chemical sector.

Veba said its overall group turnover reached 39.8 billion marks, up a strong 7.8 percent which reflected the first-time inclusion of its new acquisitions, the chemical firm Roehm and Veba-Wohnen, a services company.

The company said that for 1990 as a whole it expected its earnings result would be ''satisfactory''.

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#90312d9240 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (NOV. 8) - China on Thursday welcomed Japan's decision to abandon a plan to send non-combattant troops to the Gulf, reiterating its opposition in principle to a revival of Japanese militarism.

"Our position, that China disapproves the dispatch by the Japanese government of self-defense troops to the Gulf region, is a very clear-cut one," Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Li Jinhua told a weekly news conference here.

She was responding to Tokyo's decision Tuesday to scrap its plan to send non-combattant personnel to join multinational forces in the Gulf, in what would have been the first deployment of Japanese troops abroad since World War II.

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#90312d9260 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 8) - The European Economic Community (EEC) took its project for a single insurance market a step further here Thursday by agreeing to drop some border barriers for life and auto assurance throughout the EEC.

EEC ministers agreed at a meeting that people could buy life and auto insurance policies anywhere within the community, thus assuring more competition.

For automobile insurance, companies will be free to market their policies anywhere within the EEC. And tariffs will be fixed by private assurers instead of by national authorities of member countries.

But auto assurers will still come under national control to the extent that

they will have to satisfy authorities that they are sufficiently solvent to meet claims.

A European Commission spokesman said the new measures would come into effect on January 1, 1991. Life insurance brokers will be able to operate throughout the EEC from 1996.

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#90312d9280 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 8) - The European commander of NATO and the head of the alliance's military committee are to visit the Soviet Union from Sunday to next Thursday, the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation said here Thursday.

The two men, committee chairman General Vigleid Eide of Norway and Supreme Allied Commander Europe General John Galvin of the United States, were invited by Soviet Defence Minister General Dmitri Yazov, NATO said in a statement.

The visit follows the trip of Soviet Deputy Defence Minister and Red Army chief of staff Mikhail Moiseyev to NATO headquarters here October 24-26.

Earlier this year, leaders of NATO countries called for intensified contacts with eastern and central European countries.

Leaders of most of these countries have already visited NATO. Next week, it will be the turn of Bulgarian Foreign Minister Luben Gotsav.

In Moscow, the two NATO leaders will meet Soviet military and political leaders. General Galvin's last stop will be a visit to the Soviet Black Sea fleet at Sevastopol.

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#90312d9340 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (NOV. 8) - Nigerian and Benin have agreed to speed up deliveries of import-export authorisations and reciprocally protect their citizens engaged in legal commercial activities, the independent Guardian reported Thursday.

The accord, signed last Monday in Cotonou, also provides for the exchange of information and data on trade as well as for holding joint trade fairs and exibitions, the newspaper said.

The agreement, signed by Benin's Minister of Commerce, Tourism and Crafts Richard Adjaho and Nigerian Trade and Tourism Minister Senas John Ukpanah, is the product of a Benin-Nigeria joint comission.

It is renewable every five years.

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#90312d9460 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 8) - The European Economic Community (EEC) is to protect the designs of semiconductor products made by various countries outside the EEC on the same basis as those made by EEC members, it said here Thursday.

The European Commission said patents of semiconductor products from Australia, Japan, Sweden and Austria would be given protection with no time limits, on the same basis as that extended by those countries to the EEC.

Similar protection would be accorded to semiconductors from the United States and Switzerland on a reciprocal basis, but only until end-1992, it said.

Three countries from the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) - Iceland, Norway and Finland - would be accorded the same reciprocal right if they asked for it, the commission said.

In the case of Japan, Sweden and the United States, a previous accord expired on November 7, prompting the EEC to overhaul the protection system.

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#90312d9540 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 8) - The British-U.S. SmithKline Beecham pharmaceuticals group on Thursday reported a pre-tax profit of 218 million pounds (about 427 million dollars) in the third quarter, representing an increase of 30 percent on the figure of 168 million pounds a year earlier.

The company said that it expected a strong performance in the last quarter.

The result was slightly above that forecast by analysts, and was achieved on sales down by 15 percent at 1.08 billion pounds (about 2.1 billion dollars) from 1.28 billion. This was due to the sale of assets early in the year and to the dollar's fall.

Earnings per share rose by 21 percent to 9.9 pence from 8.2 pence and a quarterly dividend of 3.4 pence was declared.

During the first nine months of the year pre-tax profits rose by eight per cent to 634 million pounds from 588 million on sales up one percent at 3.59 billion pounds from 3.57 billion.

Debt repayments were reduced from 39 million pounds in 1989 to 13 million pounds.

The company's shares fell by two pence to 577 pence on the news.

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#90312d9820 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV 8) - The British inflation rate should fall to 5.5 percent at the end of 1991, Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major said here on Thursday.

The British inflation rate, on the basis of a calculation which includes the effect of interest rates on home loan repayments and local taxes, is currently nearly 11 percent which Mr. Major said was a peak

The forecast for the gross national product was unchanged and showed growth of one percent.

Public expenditure in the fiscal year beginning in April would be 200 billion pounds (about 392 million dollars) up from the figure of 192.3 billion pounds planned initially, he told the House of Commons.

About 7.5 billion pounds more than had been expected will be spent on health services, social security and on local facilities, he said.

In 1990-91 expenditure would total 180.6 billion pounds instead of 179 billion pounds and the budget surplus would be three billion pounds instead of seven billion pounds.

Mr. Major gave the figures in the annual autumn statement which brings up to date figures advanced on publication of the budget in March.

During the next three years defence spending would fall by six percent in real terms.

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#90312d9840 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Bonn (NOV. 8) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's visit to Bonn on Friday 9 will also take up, besides political questions, the possibility of German industrial assistance in helping the Soviets resolve their oil production problems, officials said Thursday.

Parallel to Gorbachev's talks with Bonn leaders, Economics Minister Helmut Haussmann will meet Deputy Premier Stepan Sitaryan. The two will then sign an economic cooperation agreement in the presence of Gorbachev and Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

The Economics Ministry ruled out that Haussmann and Sitaryan would negotiate specific oil and gas delivery deals.

But the question of the decline in Soviet oil output would likely come up, and the Bonn side would raise the possibility of German assistance in the

production and transport of Soviet oil.

Haussmann told Saarland Radio that hard currency earnings from oil and gas deliveries were the ''goal'' of the Gorbachev visit, and that an increase in such deliveries would be discussed.

Gorbachev needed the Deutschmark earnings in order to finance imports and provide capital to joint ventures, Haussmann said. But he added that the Kremlin leader had not ''directly expressed (to the Bonn) government any wish for credits'' prior to the visit.

The 20-page Bonn-Moscow economic treaty does not deal directly with oil and hard currency questions, but speaks in general terms about ''comprehensive cooperation'' in the economic, industrial, scientific and technological spheres.

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#90312d9890 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV 8) - Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi is due to leave here Friday for an official visit to Japan, the official Kenya Broadcasting Corporation (KBC) reported Thursday.

President Moi will be accompanied by several cabinet minsters, KBC said. It did not specify the duration of the visit.

The visit follows the signing here Thursday of a major financial aid package, under which Japan will grant Kenya 540 million Kenyan shillings (23.6 million U.S. dollars) to support the country's balance of payments and the budget.

The non-tied grant agreement, signed by vice president George Saitoti and Japanese ambassador to Kenya Naohiro Kumagai, will be used for purchasing goods from any source to be sold to the public and the proceeds retained by the government to finance support for other needy sectors, the Kenya News Agency reported.

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#90312d9960 11/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MAPUTO (NOV 8) - Rebels of the Mozambique National Resistance (Renamo) have destroyed a convoy carrying famine relief food aid in the southern province of Inhambane, northeast of here, Radio Mozambique reported Thursday.

The radio said the attack on the convoy took place midday Tuesday on the main road that connects the port of Inhambane to the rest of the province.

The raiders, who struck when the convoy was just 20 kilometres (12 miles) out of the port, killed three people in the raid, and a further five are missing,

it said.

The rebels set the vehicles and the 70 tonnes of food that they were carrying on fire. When radio journalists reached the scene the following day, the trucks were still burning.

The food, consisting of maize, peas, vegetable oil and dried fish, was destined for victims of war and drought in Funhalouro district in the north of the province.

Renamo has stepped up its operations on the road out of Inhambane port in recent weeks, in what is seen as an attempt to isolate the port, which is located at the tip of a narrow peninsula, from the rest of the province.

The loss of the trucks is a severe blow to Mozambique's relief body, the Disasters Control Office, which was already desperately short of vehicles.

Relief officials have repeatedly warned that unless donors provide more trucks it will be impossible to distribute food aid to all those in need.

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#90312e0011 11/08/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SAN SEBASTIAN, SPAIN (NOV. 8) EFE - Two Spanish civil guards were wounded Thursday when suspected Basque separatists exploded a bomb on a parked motorcycle as the two officials walked by on their way to work, authorities said.

The five-kg bomb blew up between the Civil Guard headquarters and a customs office in the town of Puerto de Pasajes, 10 km east of the Basque city of San Sebastian.

One civil guard lost a foot and the other suffered leg wounds from the blast, which also shattered windows and damaged nearby parked cars.

No group has claimed responsibility for the bomb, but officials said it bore the hallmarks of ETA, which has planted hundreds of similar devices in its 22-year-old struggle for the right to independence of Spain's northern Basque region.

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#90312e0027 11/08/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LIMA (NOV. 8) EFE - More than 40,000 Peruvian state workers Thursday walked off the job, closing down the country's social security system and leaving hospitals with only emergency services as they began an indefinate nation-wide strike in demand of pay hikes.

The strike kicked off a planned campaign of stoppages this month, with the National Coalition of Public Business Unions, which includes workers in the electricity, water, oil, mineral, food, ports, iron and steel sectors due to walk out November 15.

Peru's state sector employs around 600,000 people, with labor leaders saying the majority of state workers earn less than the legal minimum wage of dlrs 57 per month.

Transport and communications workers have already begun strikes, while tax office employees are running a go-slow and blocking the collection of public levys.

The state sector has been severely hit by the drastic economic reform plan of President Alberto Fujimori, which plans to make savings by cutting back public spending.

On Wednesday joint Prime Minister and Economy Minister Juan Carlos Hurtado announced that from January differences in employees' wages within the extensive bureaucracy would be levelled out to a broadly similar figure.

The government has also said that as September and October's inflation rates have been under 10 percent, there would be no wage rises.

In response to this, both state and public employees last week announced a massive campaign of strikes.

Some 8,000 bank workers are already out, while oil workers and court officials are on a go-slow.

Further strikes are also planned by the private sector.

Although inflation fell to 9.6 percent for October, Peruvians have had to cope with the effects of the austerity measures introduced by the government which have caused the price of bread and milk to rocket by 300 percent, and petrol by 3,000 percent.

Of Peru's more than 20 million people, 55 percent live in poverty.

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#90312e0028 11/08/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 8) EFE - Egypt announced Thursday that it was strenghtening its forces confronting Iraq in the Gulf immediately with 600 tanks and 5,000 soldiers.

The government's decision to reinforce its 14,000-man force in northern Saudi Arabia with two armoured divisions was reported by the official Cairo radio.

Egyptian troops already formed the second-largest foreign contingent after the United States in the mulinational force dispatched to the Gulf to persuade Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait which it invaded and annexed in August.

The announcement came two days after Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and U.S. Secretary of State James Baker met in Cairo to discuss the possibility of military action against Iraq.

But Mubarak was quoted Thursday as saying that an attack against Iraq should be delayed for two or three months to see if a United Nations trade embargo imposed on Baghdad could work and force an Iraqi withdrawal.

In an interview with The New York Times, the Egyptian president said war would be inevitable if Iraqi President Saddam Hussein did not pull out of Kuwait.

Military sources said Cairo's backing for a possible U.S.-led attack against Iraq would be essential and reassert Arab condemnation of Iraq's agression.

Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria form the bulk of Arab forces confronting Iraq and have been coordinating operations in preparation for a possible war.

Egypt, a U.S. ally in the Middle East, has benefitted for its strong support of the multinational action against Iraq.

The United States has agreed to forgive a dlrs seven billion debt run up by Cairo to purchase U.S. military supplies and France has indicated that it will forgive dlrs 2.8 billion in military debts.

Another motive for Egypt's strong commitment to the anti-Iraq force derives from the embarrassment at the invasion caused to Mubarak.

A few days before Iraqi forces moved into Kuwait on August 2, Saddam assured Mubarak, an old ally, that there would be no invasion.

Mubarak relayed this information to U.S. Preident George Bush and publicly announced that he had done so.

Diplomats said he lost a lot of face with Egyptians when the invasion occurred.

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#90312e0030 11/08/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

AMMAN (NOV. 8) EFE - Red Cross societies in the United States and Europe have decided to ship medicines to their Moslem sister organization in Iraq, the Red Cresent, Jordanian press reported Thursday.

The reports quoted Jordan's Red Cresent vice president Mohammad Hadid as

saying that the donations would be arriving soon in the Jordanian capital of Amman.

"The U.S., French, German, Dutch, Japanese, Spanish and British Red Cross societies have informed our organization of their willingness to supply medicine to the Iraqi Red Cresent," Hadid said.

Following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait in August, the United Nations slapped a trade embargo on Baghdad, but food and medicine are allowed through.

The Jordanian Red Cresent has been working as a middleman between the U.S. Red Cross and the Iraqi Red Cresent to deliver mail to U.S. hostages held in Iraq.

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#90312e0034 11/08/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (NOV. 8) EFE - Share prices declined on the Madrid stock exchange Thursday, as the general index lost 2.11 points to close at 226.42.

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#90312e0038 11/08/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BRASILIA (NOV. 8) EFE - The Brazilian government has announced immediate price hikes for fuel and public transportation ranging between 23 and 37 per cent, press reports said Thursday.

Economy Ministry secretary Edgard Pereira explained that the measure was necessary to correct an imbalance in public tariffs, and he predicted that the increases would not push the monthly inflation rate up by more than one per cent.

Under the government increases, which went into effect Thursday, electricity costs rose 23 per cent, city trains 36 per cent, interstate buses 27 per cent and fuel went up an average of almost 30 per cent.

A liter of gasoline now costs Brazilians dlrs 0.59 and diesel fuel dlrs 0.28 a liter. The government said the fuel increases were needed to offset higher imported oil prices resulting from the Gulf crisis.

It was the sixth fuel price adjustment since President Collor de Mello took office March 15. The accumulated increases for that period is 1,117 per cent.

The price of bread also rose Thursday by 20 per cent.

With an October inflation rate of 15.5 per cent, Collor de Mello's economic advisers predict a gradual rise in the monthly inflation rate until the end of the year, when it will settle at about 20 per cent.

The Economy Ministry said that in January 1991 domestic sales will fall and salaries will be largely reduced, forcing the inflation rate down.

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#90312e0041 11/08/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 8) EFE - The Israeli Army Thursday imposed a curfew in the West Bank town of Jenin after a prison guard was stabbed to death there earlier in the day.

The guard, Kamal Fares, was stabbed to death by a Palestinian who came to visit relatives at the Jenin jail. The assailant later fled.

Earlier reports listed Fares as a Jew, but authorities later said that he was a Druze Arab.

Many of Israel's Druze, an esoteric Moslem sect, are members of the security forces unlike other Israeli Arabs.

The guard's death brought to three the number of people killed in political violence Thursday in Israel.

A recent wave of violence in the Occupied Territories was sparked by the police shooting of 17 Palestinians last month and has been given fresh impetus by this week's assassination of extremist Rabbi Meir Kahane in New York.

An Israeli soldier and a Palestinian guerrilla were killed in a shoot-out in the Jordan Valley which separates the Israeli- occupied West Bank from Jordan.

According to Israeli military radio, the dead man was one of five Palestinians who were caught trying to enter the West Bank from Jordan.

The report said the other four were captured.

Meanwhile in the Gaza Strip town of Rafah, Israeli soldiers opened fire and wounded a Palestinian who had tried to stab one of the soldiers at a checkpoint.

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#90312e0042 11/08/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

GUATEMALA CITY (NOV 8) EFE - Human rights abuses by Guatemalan security forces are thwarting efforts to establish democratic rule, rights monitors said Thursday, three days before scheduled presidential elections.

Guatemalan Human Rights Prosecutor Ramiro de Leon Carpio reported that 281 people were killed for political motives and 118 disappeared in the first 10 months of this year.

Deputy prosecutor Cesar Alvarez said most of the killings were committed by soldiers, police officers and paramilitary troops.

The victims included 11 politicians and three journalists, as well as students labor leaders and human rights activists, according to the independent Center for the Investigation, Study and Promotion of Human Rights.

Five of the 12 presidential candidates have received death threats.

The killings have created an atmosphere of terror which is scaring Guatemalans away from politics and destroying the impression that the balloting Sunday will be a free vote, the U.S. human rights group Americas Watch said.

The fairness of the elections will also be marred by the fact that the Army controls the political activity of hundreds of thousands of peasants living in so-called model villages, Americas Watch added.

The peasants were resettled in the villages in the early 1980s to prevent them from helping leftist guerrillas in the countryside.

Military officials and armed civilian patrols organized by the Army prevent peasants from leaving the villages and closely watch their activities.

Americas Watch said the Armed Forces and military-linked death squads continue to act with impunity, despite promises from President Vinicio Cerezo to end human rights abuses.

Cerezo, a Christian Democrat, took office in 1986 after more than 30 years of rule by the Armed Forces or military-dominated civilian governments.

Prosecutor de Leon expressed hope that "with a change of government there will be a change in the will to enforce the law" against human rights violators.

But he added, "It will be more difficult to preserve the democratic system" after the elections because all the candidates with a chance of winning "lean to the right."

Interior Minister Gen. Carlos Morales blamed the wave of killings on "a murder cartel," but he denied that they were work of death squads.

"There is a well-organized criminal operation, and the security forces have intensified their actions to control those groups," Morales said.

A further threat to the democratic process comes from former military dictator Efrain Rios Montt, whose presidential candidacy was banned by the Supreme Court last month and who has implicitly threatened to overthrow the government Americas Watch noted.

Rios Montt, who was leading opinion polls, was barred because of a constitutional provision prohibiting former coup leaders from holding office.

He came to power in a 1982 coup and ruled for 18 months during which the Army killed thousands of peasants as part of a counterinsurgency campaign.

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#90312e0051 11/08/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (NOV. 8 EFE - Argentine President Carlos Menem signed a historic accord Thursday handing over title of the newly- privatized telephone company ENTel to its new owners, Spain's Telefonica and the Franco-Italian Stet consortium.

Under the terms of the deal, the two goups are to pay a total of dlrs 224 million cash and retire dlrs 4.94 billion in Argentine debt obligations on whatever terms they can get on the secondary market.

In return, state-owned Telefonica and its partners acquire a 60 per cent stake in the network's southern sector, while Stet-France Cable et Radio and its associates take a similar holding in the northern sector.

The Argentine government is to retain a 5 per cent holding, a further 20 per cent of shares will be offered to the public, 10 per cent distributed among the employees, and 5 per cent set aside for workers' co-operatives.

With the property comes an operating license valid for seven years and renewable for an additional three-year period. The government has guaranteed the buyers a 16 per cent annual return on their investment, making for combined profits of some dlrs 300 million.

Menem, who has made ENTel the flagship of his government's extensive privatization program, said the sell-off +has set an example for other latitudes, not only in Latin America+ of economic transformation that was both +necessary and profound+.

The sell-off, however, was plagued with problems, beginning when the bidding group originally awarded the northern sector, a consortium headed by the U.S. firm Bell Atlantic, backed out of the deal because of financing problems.

After the offer was matched by the Franco-Italian group, the sale survived some 30 different court challenges brought mainly by state-sector supporters, many of whom stand to lose their jobs if Menem's privatization program goes ahead.

Finally, the sale nearly came undone during last month's arduous negotiations over the billing rate the new owners would be allowed to charge Argentine

customers and the ajustments to be allowed for inflation and currency exchange rate variations.

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#90312h0025 11/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 8) XINHUA - INDIAN PRESIDENT R. VENKATARAMAN TODAY ACCEPTED THE RESIGNATION OF PRIME MINISTER V.P. SINGH AND ASKED HIM TO CONTINUE IN OFFICE TILL A NEW COUNCIL OF MINISTERS IS APPOINTED.

A COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY THE PRESIDENT'S HOUSE SAID PRIME MINISTER V.P. SINGH HAS SUBMITTED HIS RESIGNATION AND THAT OF HIS COLLEAGUES IN THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

"THE PRESIDENT HAS ACCEPTED THE RESIGNATION AND HAS ASKED V.P. SINGH AND HIS COLLEAGUES TO CONTINUE IN OFFICE TILL A NEW COUNCIL OF MINISTERS IS APPOINTED" THE COMMUNIQUE SAID.

PRESIDENT VENKATARAMAN TODAY BEGAN EXPLORING VARIOUS OPTIONS BEFORE HIM WHICH WOULD LEAD TO THE FORMATION OF A NEW GOVERNMENT AT THE CENTER.

V.P. SINGH, WHO WAS VOTED OUT IN THE LOK SABHA (LOWER HOUSE) ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT AS PRIME MINISTER, MET THE PRESIDENT THIS MORNING AND EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT LEADER OF THE BREAKAWAY RULING JANATA DAL (PEOPLE'S PARTY) CHANDRA SHEKHAR SHOULD NOT BE INVITED TO FORM THE GOVERNMENT.

THE JANATA DAL LED BY V.P. SINGH HAD OPPOSED ANY INVITATION TO CHANDRA SHEKHAR ON THE GROUND THAT HIS WAS A SPLINTER GROUP.

THE LARGEST SINGLE PARTY IN THE LOK SABHA, THE CONGRESS (I), HAS ALREADY ASSURED ITS SUPPORT FROM OUTSIDE TO A GOVERNMENT FORMED BY CHANDRA SHEKHAR.

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#90312h0030 11/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

FUZHOU (NOV. 8) XINHUA - FUJIAN PROVINCE IN SOUTHEAST CHINA EXPORTED 300 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS WORTH OF MACHINERY AND ELECTRONICS BETWEEN JANUARY AND SEPTEMBER OF THIS YEAR.

THE EXPORT VOLUME WAS NOT ONLY 82.4 PERCENT MORE THAN THAT OF THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, BUT ALSO FULFILLED THE EXPORT TARGET SET BY THE STATE FOUR MONTHS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE.

SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THIS YEAR, THE PROVINCE HAS MADE EFFORTS TO READJUST THE PRODUCTION STRUCTURE OF ITS 25 MACHINERY AND ELECTRONICS ENTERPRISES AND TO ENSURE SUPPLY OF FUNDS AND MATERIALS TO THE ENTERPRISES.

THE PRODUCTION UNITS ALSO STRENGTHENED MANAGEMENT AND IMPROVED QUALITY IN

ORDER TO MAKE THEIR MACHINERY AND ELECTRONICS MORE COMPETITIVE ON THE WORLD MARKET.

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#90312h0032 11/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (NOV. 8) XINHUA - BRAZIL REGISTERED A RECORD-HIGH DAILY OIL OUTPUT OF 687,903 BARRELS ON NOVEMBER 6, THE STATE-OWNED COMPANY "PETROBRAS" ANNOUNCED TODAY.

JOAO CARLOS FRANCA DE LUCA, DIRECTOR OF PRODUCTION AND EXPLORATION OF THE PETROLEUM COMPANY, SAID THAT THE RECORD WAS SET TUESDAY WHEN OIL WELLS IN THE BAHIA DE CAMPOS BAY, ON THE COAST OF RIO DE JANEIRO, BOOSTED PRODUCTION TO 444,689 BARRELS.

OFFSHORE OIL-FIELDS NOW ACCOUNT FOR 60 TO 65 PERCENT OF THE NATION'S TOTAL OIL OUTPUT. HOME-PRODUCED OIL COVERS 55 PERCENT OF BRAZIL'S DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION, WHICH STOOD AT 1.2 MILLION BARRELS DAILY IN OCTOBER.

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#90312h0033 11/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HAVANA (NOV. 8) XINHUA - CUBA WILL INTRODUCE NEW CUSTOMS TARIFFS AS OF DECEMBER TO EXERCISE A BETTER CONTROL OF IMPORTED GOODS.

UNDER THE NEW CUSTOMS TARIFFS, THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT WILL EXTEND MOST-FAVORED-NATION TREATMENT TO COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE SIGNED PREFERENTIAL AGREEMENTS WITH CUBA, INCLUDING THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TRADE AND TARIFF (GATT), WHILE IMPOSING GENERAL TARIFFS ON NATIONS YET TO REACH SIMILAR AGREEMENTS WITH IT.

CUBA HAS BEEN A MEMBER OF GATT SINCE ITS FOUNDING IN 1948. IT LEVIES AD VALOREM DUTIES ON IMPORTED GOODS.

WITH THE NEW CUSTOMS TARIFFS, CUBA IS STRIDING INTO THE NEW PRODUCTS DESIGNATION AND CODIFICATION HARMONIZED SYSTEM (SADCM), WHICH EMBRACES 60 COUNTRIES WORLDWIDE.

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#90312h0041 11/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WARSAW (NOV. 7) XINHUA - FEDERAL GERMANY TODAY ABOLISHED A DEBT OF 760 MILLION MARKS (380 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) OWED BY POLAND SINCE 1975, ACCORDING TO AN AGREEMENT SIGNED BY REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE TWO COUNTRIES HERE TODAY.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT, POLAND IS ALLOWED TO PAY A 560-MILLION-MARK DEBT (280 MILLION DOLLARS) IN ZLOTIES IN THE NEXT TEN YEARS, THE POLISH TELEVISION REPORTED.

THE MOVE IS SEEN AS A FRIENDLY EXPRESSION PRIOR TO A MEETING BETWEEN GERMAN CHANCELLOR HELMUT KOHL AND POLISH PREMIER TADEUSZ MAZOWIECKI ON THE POLISH-GERMAN BORDER ON THURSDAY.

PAP SAID THE MEETING IS TO "MARK THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF KOHL'S HISTORIC VISIT TO POLAND," WHICH IS CONSIDERED AS "A SYMBOL OF GOOD-NEIGHBNORLINESS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES."

POLAND OWES MORE THAN 40 BILLION U.S DOLLARS IN FOREIGN DEBTS. IN THE PAST FEW YEARS, THE POLISH GOVERNMENT URGED CREDITOR NATIONS TO CANCEL PART OF THE DEBTS. SO FAR, FEDERAL GERMANY IS THE FIRST COUNTRY TO MAKE SUCH A DECISION.

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#90312h0050 11/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LUSAKA (NOV. 8) XINHUA - ZAMBIA HAS INCREASED PRICES OF MILK AND SOME RELATED PRODUCTS BY ALMOST 30 PERCENT, ZAMBIA DAILY MAIL REPORTED TODAY.

THE DECISION WAS MADE BY THE DAIRY PRODUCE BOARD (DPB) IN COPPERBELT CITY OF NDOLA WHICH IS IN CHARGE OF DAIRY PRODUCE.

THE RETAIL PRICE OF ONE LITRE OF MILK HAS NOW SHOT UP TO 24 KWACHA FROM 19 KWACHA (40 KWACHA EQUAL ONE U.S. DOLLAR) WHILE THE HALF LITRE CONTAINER WHICH WAS 9.95 KWACHA HAS BEEN HIKED TO 12 KWACHA.

PRICES OF MILK PRODUCTS SUCH AS BISCUITS AND YOGURT HAVE ALSO BEEN INCREASED.

DPB LAST INCREASED THE PRICES OF MILK TWO MONTHS AGO. INFORMED SOURCES SAID THE INCREASES WERE DUE TO INCREASED OPERATIONAL COSTS.

MANY CONSUMERS COMPLAINED THAT THE INCREASE OF MILK PRICES WAS TOO MUCH BECAUSE IT WAS NEVER AVAILABLE IN SHOPS. AS A RESULT OF THE FRESH PRICE HIKING, VENDORS ARE NOW DEMANDING 40 KWACHA FOR ONE LITRE OF MILK WHICH THEY PREVIOUSLY SOLD AT 30 KWACHA.

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#90312h0094 11/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TIRANA (NOV. 8) XINHUA - A CHANGE TO OPEN ELECTIONS WAS FORESHADOWED FOR ALBANIA AT THE 12TH PLENARY SESSION OF THE 9TH CONGRESS OF THE PARTY OF LABOR HELD TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY.

THE PARTY LEADER, RAMIZ ALIA, SAID THE LAW MAKING IT THE SOLE POLITICAL FORCE IN THE COUNTRY WAS SOON TO BE AMENDED BY THE PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY.

THIS WOULD MAKE THE PARTY OF LABOR, THE DEMOCRATIC FRONT, TRADE UNIONS, YOUTH, WOMENS AND OTHER LEGAL ORGANISATIONS EQUAL COMPETITORS. IN ADDITION,

INDIVIDUAL CITIZENS WOULD BE ABLE TO STAND AS INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES.

THE CONGRESS DISCUSSED WAYS TO PERFECT THE COUNTRY'S POLITICAL SYSTEM. IT ALSO STRESSED TO "CONTINUE THE ROAD OF SOCIALIST DEMOCRACY."

ALIA SAID THE PARTY SHOULD NOT EXERCISE THE POWER OF THE STATE DIRECTLY BY ISSUING ORDERS AND OTHER MEANS. INSTEAD, ITS LEADERSHIP AND STRENGTH SHOULD BE DEMONSTRATED IN WORKING OUT CORRECT POLICIES, PLANS AND PROGRAMS FOR DEVELOPMENT.

ON FOREIGN PRESSURE ON ALBANIA, ALIA SAID: "WE WILL BOLDLY DEFEND THE CAUSE OF THE MOTHERLAND, THE CAUSE OF THE PEOPLE AND THE CAUSE OF SOCIALISM."

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#90312h0109 11/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SINGAPORE (NOV. 8) XINHUA - INDONESIA'S ECONOMY CONTINUED OVERHEATING WITH CONSUMER PRICES INCREASING BY 1.03 PERCENT IN OCTOBER INSPITE OF THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT'S CONCERTED EFFORTS TO CURB INFLATION, INDONESIAN INFORMATION MINISTER HARMOKO HAS SAID.

THE PRICE INCREASE LAST MONTH WAS CAUSED MAINLY BY AN INCREASE OF 1.42 PERCENT IN HOUSING PRICES, 0.89 PERCENT IN FOOD PRICES, 0.53 PERCENT IN CLOTHING PRICES AND 0.99 PERCENT IN THE PRICES OF OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES, HARMOKO TOLD REPORTERS IN JAKARTA ON WEDNESDAY.

ACCORDING TO A REPORT BY "THE JAKARTA POST" TODAY, HARMOKO SAID THAT THE INFLATION RATE DURING THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF THIS YEAR HAS REACHED 9.14 PERCENT, AND THE GOVERNMENT IS UNLIKELY TO ACHIEVE ITS TARGET OF CURBING THE ANNUAL INFLATION RATE TO A SINGLE DIGIT LEVEL.

MONTHLY INFLATION IN INDONESIA HIT A SEVEN-YEAR RECORD HIGH OF 2.21 PERCENT IN JULY, THE GOVERNMENT LATER DECIDED TO CONTRACT THE MONEY SUPPLY BY PROMOTING THE SALES OF BANK INDONESIA CERTIFICATES TO INDIVIDUALS WITH HIGH INTEREST RATES, HE SAID.

THE MONETARY AUTHORITIES ALSO INSTRUCTED BANKS TO REFRAIN FROM CONSUMER LENDINGS AND TO EMPHASIZE LOANS FOR PRODUCTION OPERATION, HE ADDED.

HOWEVER, ACCORDING TO THE CENTRAL BANK, MONEY SUPPLY IN INDONESIA INCREASED BY 1.77 PERCENT FROM 22,619 BILLION RUPIAH (12.08 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) AS OF THE END OF JULY TO 23,021 BILLION RUPIAH AS OF THE END OF AUGUST.

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#90312h0113 11/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SINGAPORE (NOV. 8) XINHUA - INDONESIA'S FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS FROM THE TOURISM INDUSTRY THIS YEAR WILL LIKELY REACH 1.8 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS,

ACCORDING TO INDONESIAN MINISTER OF TOURISM, POST AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS SOESILO SOEDARMAN.

"THE JAKARTA POST" TODAY QUOTED SOEDARMAN AS SAYING IN THE INDONESIAN CAPITAL ON NOVEMBER 7 THAT TOURISM WILL BE INDONESIA'S THIRD LARGEST FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNER AMONG THE NON-OIL SECTORS THIS YEAR, FOLLOWING WOOD AND TEXTILE PRODUCTS.

LAST YEAR, INDONESIA GAINED 3.49 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE FROM WOOD EXPORTS, 1.98 BILLION FROM TEXTILE EXPORTS AND 1.22 BILLION FROM EXPORTS OF RUBBER-BASED PRODUCTS.

SOEDARMAN SAID INDONESIA EXPECTS THE TOURISM INDUSTRY TO BECOME THE SECOND LARGEST FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNER AFTER OIL AND GAS IN THE LAST YEAR OF THE 5TH FIVE YEAR PLAN ENDING IN 1994.

THE COUNTRY'S EARNINGS FROM OIL AND GAS EXPORTS LAST YEAR WERE RECORDED AT 8.67 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

THE NUMBER OF TOURIST ARRIVALS INCREASED BY 36 PERCENT TO 1.3 MILLION DURING THE FIRST EIGHT MONTHS OF THIS YEAR AS COMPARED TO 952,887 IN THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

THE NUMBER OF TOURISTS ARRIVALS THIS YEAR WAS ESTIMATED TO REACH 2.11 MILLION.

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#90312h0122 11/08/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 8) XINHUA - THE HONG KONG TELECOMMUNICATIONS LIMITED SAW A PROFIT INCREASE OF 17 PERCENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30 THIS YEAR COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

THE COMPANY ATTAINED A PROFIT OF 2,422 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (311 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN THE SIX MONTHS. THE EARNINGS PER SHARE WAS 21.7 CENTS.

THE COMPANY'S INTERIM DIVIDEND ALSO ROSE BY 17 PERCENT TO 15.2 CENTS PER SHARE.

THIS WAS ANNOUNCED BY MIKE GALE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE HONG KONG TELECOM, HERE TODAY.

THE LATEST FIGURES SHOW THAT TURNOVER FOR THE INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE SERVICES INCREASED BY 19 PERCENT TO 4,618 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (592 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FROM APRIL TO SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR AS COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

THE HONG KONG TELECOM NOTED THAT THE RATE OF GROWTH OF OUTGOING CALLS SURPASSED THAT OF INCOMING CALLS, REFLECTING THE LOW INTERNATIONAL CALL

CHARGES FROM HONG KONG.

A SIGNIFICANT PART OF THE GROWTH IN INTERNATIONAL CALLS IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE INCREASING USE OF FACSIMILE, IT ADDED.

THERE ARE NOW OVER 100,000 FACSIMILE LINES INSTALLED IN HONG KONG, AN INCREASE OF 28 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

THE MOBILE TELEPHONE SERVICE CONTINUES TO EXPAND. NOW THERE ARE 39,000 CUSTOMERS USING THIS SERVICE.

GALE SAID: "THE RESULTS ARE SATISFYING AS THEY HAVE BEEN ACHIEVED AGAINST A BACKGROUND OF SLOW ECONOMIC GROWTH WORLDWIDE, AND OF NEGLIGIBLE ECONOMIC GROWTH IN HONG KONG."

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#90312j0001 11/08/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

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Nightline (ABC) November 7, 1990 (Transcript #2468)

Some Election 1990 Surprises: Bernard Sanders, the first socialist elected to Congress in years; Paul Wellstone, who campaigned on a shoestring; and Christine Todd Whitman, a political unknown who almost took down a well-known Senator.

Crossfire (CNN) November 7, 1990 (Transcript #177)

The People Have Spoken: Democratic consultant Ann Lewis and Republican consultant Roger Stone discuss the results of yesterday's election and which party gained the most influence.

South Africa Now (PBS) November 7, 1990 (Transcript #35)

Uncensored news; ''Frontline Focus'' (RENAMO rebels causing havoc in Mozambique); ''In-Depth'' (Takari and Coke, a student film directed by Rukasan Amorsan, on the Indian community in South Africa); ''Culture'' (poet and storyteller Gcina Mhlope, from the documentary Songololo).

Good Morning America (ABC) November 7, 1990 (Transcript #1148)

New Governors; national political trends; Ronald Reagan interview (Part 3 -- tests of strength in office); the well- dressed thug (designer Joseph Abboud's gangster-inspired designs); kids voting update; interpreting the trends (in election results); Mary McDonnell interview (Dances With Wolves star); colorful plants for winter; women winners (in gubernatorial races).

Larry King Live (CNN) November 7, 1990 (Transcript #165)

''An Iraqi Response to President Bush'' (Ambassador Mohamed al- Mashat responds to President Bush's angry remarks concerning the release of U.S. hostages); ''An Ambassador's Wife Speaks Out'' (Margie Howell, wife of U.S. Ambassador to Kuwait Nathaniel Howell, speaks of her concerns about the well-being of her husband and other hostages being held in Kuwait); ''Victoria Tennant'' (the actress reports on her just-completed USO trip with her husband Steve Martin to visit American troops in Saudi Arabia).

48 Hours (CBS) November 7, 1990 (Transcript #130)

To Catch a Crook: Attempts by police in Miami, New York City and Albuquerque to apprehend repeat offenders considered career criminals, including segments on Florida surveillance units, an NYPD manhunt and a New Mexico sting operation.

Donahue November 7, 1990 (Transcript #3072)

Roseanne Barr and Tom Arnold: The couple discusses their marriage, their TV show, the national anthem controversy, Tom's struggle with drug addiction, the comedy industry and their feud with Arsenio Hall.

Geraldo November 7, 1990 (Transcript #820)

Multiple Personalities and the Law: Multiple personalities who have committed crimes or have been the victim of a crime discuss how they feel the law should deal with their cases.

Oprah Winfrey Show November 7, 1990 (Transcript #1083)

The Sexiest Celebrities: Andre Agassi, Teri Copley, Don Franklin, Siedah Garrett, Audrey Landers, Tara Shannon, Danny Sullivan and Mario Van Peebles discuss what fans find so appealing about them.

Sally Jessy Raphael November 7, 1990 (Transcript #568)

Bad Reputations: Men and women with bad reputations talk about what they've done to earn such a label. One is very promiscuous, another wants to pose for Playboy magazine. Dr. Stuart Fischoff gives advice on handling life with a bad reputation.

Thursday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Sylvester Stallone and Son (Part 1) Sally Jessy Raphael: Rock Groupies Geraldo: Sex, Secrets and Society Scandals Oprah Winfrey: Soap Casanovas Larry King Live: Penn & Teller Primetime Live: Detroit; Murphy Brown

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#90312k0021 11/08/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 8) KYODO - NISSHIN STEEL CO. SAID THURSDAY IT WILL BOOST PRODUCTION OF ZINC-COATED STEEL SHEETS AT A U.S. PLANT TO MEET GROWING DEMAND.

CONSTRUCTION TO ADD CAPACITY WILL BEGIN NEXT MONTH AND SHOULD BE FINISHED IN JUNE 1993, THE MAJOR JAPANESE STEELMAKER SAID IN A PRESS RELEASE.

THE PLANT, RUN BY WHEELING-NISSHIN INC., A FOLLANSBEE, WEST VIRGINIA-BASED JOINT VENTURE OF NISSHIN STEEL AND WHEELING-PITTSBURGH STEEL CORP., HAS BEEN IN OPERATION SINCE APRIL 1988.

NISSHIN AND WHEELING-PITTSBURGH STEEL WILL FINANCE THE 120 MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT BY BORROWING 73.75 MILLION DOLLARS AND RAISING 46.25 MILLION DOLLARS IN EQUITY FINANCING, NISSHIN SAID.

NISSHIN WILL RAISE SOME 40 MILLION DOLLARS OF THE EQUITY FINANCING, BRINGING ITS STAKE IN THE JOINT FIRM TO 80 PERCENT FROM THE PRESENT 67 PERCENT, IT ADDED.

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TOKYO (NOV. 8) KYODO - FORMER JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES NOBUO MATSUNAGA THURSDAY URGED PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU TO PROVIDE MASSIVE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO IRAN TO HELP REHABILITATE THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMY AND FACILITATE ITS RESTORATION.

AFTER MEETING WITH KAIFU TO BRIEF THE PRIME MINISTER ON HIS RECENT TRIP TO

IRAQ, MATSUNAGA TOLD REPORTERS THAT KAIFU SHOWED A POSITIVE POSTURE TOWARD INCREASING ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE.

MATSUNAGA SAID HE CITED IRAN'S POLITICAL STABILITY UNDER THE MODERATE GOVERNMENT OF PRESIDENT ALI AKBAR HASHEMI RAFSANJANI AND TEHRAN'S PARTICIPATION IN AN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC EMBARGO AGAINST IRAQ AS REASONS FOR EXTENDING MORE FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO IRAN.

MATSUNAGA SAID HE ASKED KAIFU TO PROVIDE MORE THAN 1 BILLION DOLLARS IN ECONOMIC AID.

HE ALSO SAID HE ADVISED KAIFU TO HELP IRAN AND THE UNITED STATES RESTORE BILATERAL TIES, WHICH WERE SEVERED IN 1980 FOLLOWING THE HOSTAGE INCIDENT AT THE U.S. EMBASSY IN TEHRAN.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 8) KYODO - THE SOVIET UNION WILL DROP THE WORDS "SOVIET" AND "SOCIALIST" FROM ITS NAME AND BECOME THE "UNION OF SOVEREIGN REPUBLICS," ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT OBTAINED BY KYODO NEWS SERVICE ON THURSDAY.

THE DRAFT PACT TO BE CONCLUDED BY THE SOVIET UNION'S 15 REPUBLICS WILL ALSO CALL FOR CREATING THE POST OF VICE PRESIDENT.

THE DOCUMENT WILL BE MADE PUBLIC BY NOVEMBER 15, OFFICIAL SOURCES SAID.

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SINGAPORE (NOV. 8) KYODO - JAPAN'S NEC CORP. WON TWO CONTRACTS WORTH 210 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS (123.5 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN A PROJECT TO BUILD THE ASEAN OPTICAL FIBER SUBMARINE CABLE NETWORK, SINGAPORE'S TELECOMMUNICATION AUTHORITIES SAID THURSDAY.

SINGAPORE TELECOM SAID THAT, TOGETHER WITH BRUNEIAN TELCOMMUNICATION AUTHORITIES, IT HAS AWARDED A 110 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLAR CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY OF THE OPTICAL FIBER LINK BETWEEN SINGAPORE AND BRUNEI TO NEC.

THE SUBMARINE CABLE SYSTEM BETWEEN SINGAPORE AND BRUNEI IS TARGETED TO CARRY BOTH VOICE AND DATA TRAFFIC BY THE END OF 1991.

MEANWHILE, BRUNEIAN TELECOMMUNICATION AUTHORITIES, KNOWN AS JABATAN TELEKOM BRUNEI, TELEKOM MALAYSIA, AND THE PHILIPPINES LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CO. HAVE AWARDED A 100 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLAR CONTRACT TO NEC TO CONSTRUCT A CABLE BETWEEN THE THREE.

THE ASEAN OPTICAL FIBRE SUBMARINE CABLE NETWORK IS SCHEDULED TO BE COMPLETED

IN 1995.

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TOKYO (NOV. 8) KYODO - KDD SAID THURSDAY IT WILL RENT OUT 30 OFFICE ROOMS TO FOREIGN BUSINESSES IN ITS NEW HIGH-TECH, HIGH-RISE BUILDING IN OTEMACHI, TOKYO WHICH IS TO BE COMPLETED NOVEMBER 30.

KDD, AN INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, WILL OPEN THE ROOMS WITH A TOTAL A FLOOR SPACE OF ABOUT 12,000 SQUARE METERS NEXT FALL.

THE FIRST 12 FLOORS WILL BE USED TO HOUSE KDD'S OFFICE AND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, WITH FLOORS 13 TO 20 TO BE RENTED TO FIRMS.

THE 21ST FLOOR WILL HOUSE ABOUT 30 ROOMS TO BE RENTED OUT SPECIFICALLY TO FOREIGN COMPANIES, HOPING TO START UP IN JAPAN.

KDD DEVELOPMENT CORP., A KDD SUBSIDIARY, WILL ADMINISTER THE NEW BUILDINGS.

EACH ROOM WILL BE EQUIPPED WITH THE LATEST TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND OFFICE AUTOMATION EQUIPMENT.

THE FIRM'S SUBSIDIARY KDD TELESERVE INC. WILL PROVIDE INTERPRETATION AND TRANSLATION SERVICES, WITH THE PARENT COMPANY ALSO DISPATCHING BILINGUAL AND MULTILINGUAL SECRETARIES.

THE RENT OF THE ROOMS IS YET TO BE DETERMINED.

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TOKYO (NOV. 8) KYODO - NISSHO IWAI CORP. SAID THURSDAY IT HAS BEEN AWARDED A CONTRACT TO SUPPLY 7 BILLION YEN WORTH OF PARTS AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TO RESTORE A WAR-DAMAGED PETROCHEMICAL COMPLEX IN SOUTHWESTERN IRAN.

OFFICIALS SAID THAT UNDER THE CONTRACT, AWARDED BY BANDAR IMAM PETROCHEMICAL (BIPC), NISSHO IWAI WILL PROCURE SUCH RECONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND MACHINERY PARTS AS BIPC'S AGENT, MAINLY FROM JAPANESE MANUFACTURERS OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS.

TERMS CALL FOR CASH PAYMENT AT THE TIME OF SHIPMENT, THEY SAID. AFTER THE END OF THE IRAQ-IRAN WAR IN AUGUST 1988, THE MITSUI GROUP REFUSED TO RESTORE THE DAMAGED COMPLEX, AND WITHDREW FROM THE PROJECT IN FEBRUARY 1990 AFTER PAYING 900 MILLION DOLLARS.

THE MITSUI GROUP UNDERTOOK TO BUILD THE COMPLEX IN 1974 AS A JOINT PROJECT WITH IRAN'S STATE-OWNED NATIONAL PETROCHEMICAL COMPANY.

THE COMPLEX WAS 80 PERCENT COMPLETE IN 1980. HOWEVER, CONSTRUCTION WORK WAS SUSPENDED AFTER HEAVY ATTACKS BY IRAQI BOMBERS.

SINCE MANY OF THE COMPLEX'S PRINCIPAL MACHINES AND PARTS HAVE BEEN MADE IN JAPAN, BIPC HAS ASKED THE JAPANESE SIDE FOR COOPERATION IN THE PROCUREMENT OF SUCH MATERIALS AND PARTS. NISSHO IWAI HAS AGREED TO FURNISH SUCH PARTS AND MATERIALS FROM JAPAN, OFFICIALS SAID.

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OSAKA (NOV. 8) KYODO - ATC CORP., PREPARING TO BUILD A 90 BILLION YEN IMPORTS WHOLESALE CENTER BUILDING, ANNOUNCED THURSDAY THAT IT WILL TAKE STEPS TO ENCOURAGE FOREIGN FIRMS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONSTRUCTION AND SUPPLY EQUIPMENT.

ATC CORP., OWNED BY THE OSAKA MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT AND A NUMBER OF PRIVATE ENTERPRISES, PLANS TO CONSTRUCT THREE 12-STORY LINKED BUILDINGS ON 70,000-SQUARE METER LOT IN THE NANKO DISTRICT IN WESTERN OSAKA.

CONSTRUCTION WORK IS SCHEDULED TO START IN MARCH 1991 AND IS TO BE COMPLETED AT THE END OF 1993.

THE THREE BUILDINGS COMPRISE THE ASIA-PACIFIC TRADE CENTER. CONSTRUCTION OF THE CENTER IS DESIGNATED AS ONE OF THE MAJOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, IN WHICH THE GOVERNMENT HAS PROMISED TO TAKE MEASURES TO HELP FOREIGN ENTERPRISES PARTICIPATE, UNDER ITS AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. GOVERNMENT.

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TOKYO (NOV. 8) KYODO - ZOOLOGISTS, ENVIRONMENTALISTS AND TOURISM AGENTS ON THURSDAY CALLED FOR PROMOTION OF WHALE-WATCHING TOURS IN JAPAN TO HELP PROMOTE THEIR PROTECTION AS WILDWIFE RATHER THAN AS EDIBLE SEA RESOURCES.

PARTICIPANTS IN A SYMPOSIUM SPONSORED BY THE JAPAN BRANCH OF THE GREENPEACE WORLD ENVIRONMENT GROUP SAID IT WOULD BE THE FIRST SUCH CONFERENCE. IN JAPAN, WHALING HAS LONG BEEN A CHERISHED TRADITION.

THE SIGHTSEEING PROMOTERS WERE FROM THE OGASAWARA ISLANDS, SEMITROPICAL ISLES FAR SOUTH OF TOKYO, ZAMAMI ISLAND WEST OF SOUTHERN OKINAWA ISLAND AND THREE TOWNS IN KOCHI PREFECTURE -- OHGATA, MUROTO AND KOCHI.

ONE OF THE PARTICIPANTS, KATSUTOSHI YAMADA OF MUROTO, HAD BEEN A CREW MEMBER ON A WHALE CATCHING CONVOY IN THE ANTARCTIC AND NOW GUIDES WHALE WATCHING BOATS IN MUROTO.

OGASAWARA IN APRIL 1988 KICKED OFF THE TOUR, ALREADY POPULAR IN THE UNITED STATES AND MEXICO. HIS AIM, HE SAYS, WAS TO PROMOTE THE SMALL, REMOTE ISLANDS WITH A HISTORY OF WHALING.

KOCHI PREFECTURE, FACING THE PACIFIC, WAS ALSO HISTORICALLY FAMOUS FOR THE WHALING INDUSTRY, THE COMMERCIAL PART OF WHICH IS IN PRINCIPLE INTERNATIONALLY BANNED NOW.

A NOTED JAPANESE ZOOLOGIST, HIDEO OBARA, TOLD THE AUDIENCE OF 50 THAT THURSDAY'S MEETING WAS SIGNIFICANT AS A STEP FORWARD TO CREATING A ''NEW CULTURE'' AMONG THE JAPANESE, IN WHICH THEY COULD CHANGE THEIR DOMINANT PAST VIEW OF WHALES AS SOMETHING TO KILL AND EAT.

TOUCHING ON THE ANGRY VOICES RAISED IN THE WEST ON THE RECENT MASSIVE DEATHS OF DOLPHINS IN WESTERN JAPAN, OBARA BLAMED TOKYO'S OFFICIAL EXTERNAL PUBLIC RELATIONS EFFORTS, WHICH SAYS WHALE KILLING IS CULTURALLY JUSTIFIABLE, TO COUNTER THE WORLDWIDE ANTIWHALING SENTIMENT.

OBARA, A SENIOR MEMBER OF TRAFFIC (JAPAN), A RESEARCH ARM OF BRITAIN-BASED WORLD WILDLIFE FUND (WWF), NOTED SUCH PAST EFFORTS BY THE GOVERNMENT HELPED TO CREATE THE STEREOTYPE ABROAD THAT ALL JAPANESE ARE CRUEL TO SEA MAMMALS.

HE SAID HE BELIEVES THOSE WHO EXPERIENCED A ''CLOSE TOUCH'' WITH WHALES ON A WATCH TOUR WILL SURELY BEGIN TO FEEL THE MAMMALS ARE THE FELLOW LIVING LIFE, THAT COULD TRIGGER THE CHANGE OF THEIR SENTIMENT TOWARDS WHALING.

BUT AT THE SAME TIME RESEARCHERS POINTED TO THE NEED TO EXERCISE MORALS ON SUCH TOURS. THEY RAISED CONCERN THAT SUCH TOURS, IF ABUSED, MAY THREATEN NATURAL LIVING PATTERNS OF THE WHALES. THEY CITED THE EXAMPLE OF A PART OF HAWAII, WHERE WHALES NO LONGER SWIM IN CERTIAN CYCLES BECAUSE SOME AGENTS LAUNCHED A ''LET'S SWIM WITH THE WHALES'' TOUR, WHICH ALLOWED TOURISTS TO DIVE CLOSE TO THE WHALES.

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SINGAPORE (NOV. 8) KYODO - SINGAPOREAN TRADE AND INDUSTRY MINISTER LEE HSIEN LOONG SAID THURSDAY HE IS CONFIDENT THE SINGAPORE ECONOMY CAN ATTAIN 8 PERCENT GROWTH IN GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP) THIS YEAR, DESPITE THE GULF CRISIS AND HIGHER OIL PRICES, THE STATE-RUN SINGAPORE BROADCASTING CORPORATION REPORTED.

SINGAPORE'S GROWING TIES WITH THE ECONOMIES OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, JAPAN, AND THE REGION WILL HELP TO CUSHION THE IMPACT OF THE GULF CRISIS, HE SAID.

LEE SAID THAT ECONOMIC GROWTH MODERATED SINCE THE GULF CRISIS ERUPTED MORE THAN THREE MONTHS AGO, BUT OVERALL THE THIRD-QUARTER RESULTS ARE STILL QUITE GOOD AND THE CRISIS HAS NOT YET HIT SINGAPORE TOO HARD.

HE NOTED THAT BEFORE IRAQ'S ANNEXATION OF KUWAIT, THE ECONOMY WAS GROWING SO STRONGLY THAT THE MINISTRY FEARED OVERHEATING RATHER THAN RECESSION.

LEE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT THE GOOD RESULTS OF THE THIRD QUARTER MAY NOT INDICATE THE TREND OF THE NEXT FEW MONTHS AS THE ECONOMY IS LIKELY TO BE ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THE POTENTIAL WAR ATMOSPHERE IN THE GULF AND THE RECESSION IN THE UNITED STATES, WHICH IS SINGAPORE'S LARGEST EXPORT MARKET.

GROWTH IS EXPECTED TO SLOW DOWN OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS BUT NOT TO THE POINT OF ZERO GROWTH.

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TOKYO (NOV. 8) KYODO - JAPAN'S DEPENDENCE ON NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS IN 2050 WILL LIKELY INCREASE TO MORE THAN 40 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL POWER GENERATED, COMPARED WITH 25.5 PERCENT FOR FISCAL 1989, AN INDUSTRY RESEARCH CENTER PREDICTED THURSDAY.

THE CENTRAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF ELECTRIC POWER INDUSTRY FORECAST THAT IF JAPAN GOES AHEAD WITH THE PRESENT POWER SUPPLY PROJECT AND MAINTAINS THE CURRENT POWER SUPPLY SYSTEM, IT WOULD NOT KEEP PACE WITH DEMAND.

THE CENTER THUS SUGGESTED THAT NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS SHOULD BE CONSTRUCTED ON SOFTER GROUND THAN ROCK. IT ALSO RECOMMENDED THE CONSTRUCTION OF OFFSHORE AND UNDERGROUND N-POWER PLANTS.

THE CENTER ALSO PROPOSED A SERIOUS STUDY ON THE POSSIBILITY OF ''GEOTHERMAL HOT DRY ROCK'' POWER GENERATION. UNDER THAT PLAN, WATER WOULD BE POURED ONTO ROCK ABOVE HOT MAGMA, WHERE IT WOULD BE HEATED, THEN BROUGHT TO THE EARTH'S SURFACE TO BE HARNESSED INTO ELECTRIC POWER.

THE RESEARCH CENTER BASED THE PROJECTION ON ITS ESTIMATE THAT THE JAPANESE ECONOMY WILL ACHIEVE AN AVERAGE ANNUAL GROWTH OF 2.5 PERCENT IN REAL TERMS BETWEEN NOW AND 2050. THE NATION'S TOTAL ENERGY CONSUMPTION IN THAT YEAR IS PREDICTED TO BE 550-870 MILLION TONS, IN TERMS OF OIL, AND ITS ELECTRICITY DEMAND IN THAT YEAR AT 1.2-1.8 TRILLION KILOWATTS HOUR, TWICE OR THREE TIMES THE FISCAL 1989 LEVEL.

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TOKYO (NOV. 9) KYODO - THE BANK OF JAPAN INJECTED LIQUIDITY TO THE SHORT-TERM MONEY MARKET FRIDAY MORNING BY LENDING 200 BILLION YEN TO THE BANKING SYSTEM, MONEY BROKERS SAID.

THE FUND INJECTION CAME WHEN SHORT-TERM INTEREST RATES FIRMED. THE OVERNIGHT UNSECURED CALL MONEY RATE ROSE 2 BASIS POINTS SHORTLY AFTER THE OPENING, WHILE

THE ISSUE RATE ON NEW THREE-MONTH CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSITS (CDS) GAINED 0.09 PERCENTAGE POINT TO 8.040 PERCENT. ONE BASIS POINT IS 0.03125 PERCENTAGE POINT.

AN OFFICIAL AT A MAJOR COMMERCIAL BANK SAID THE LATEST BOJ OPERATION IS APPARENTLY AIMED AT KEEPING INTEREST RATES FROM RISING FURTHER.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 8) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS

(2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

World stock markets are lower: ... The Nikkei loses 530 points. ... The FTSE is off 25 points in afternoon trading. ... No bargain hunting is seen in U.S. stocks overseas where the EXMI is off 75 cents. ... The dollar is up across the board. ... Bond prices are lower with the long yield at 8.70%. ... Crude oil prices ease - Brent North Sea is off 80 cents today at $34.25. ... Yields on 10- year TREASURY notes fall to the lowest level in a year, down to an average of 8.52%. ... The TREASURY DEPARTMENT will complete its refunding today with the sale of $10.75 billion of 30-year bonds. ... GENERAL MOTORS says it has reached agreement with CZECHOSLOVAKIA to build transmissions and assemble one of its Open models at an existing plant. ... CITICORP plans to buy $275 million of its preferred stock rather than continue to pay high dividend rates. ... CS FIRST BOSTON plans to lay off as many as 500 employees by year end. ... INFOTECHNOLOGY INC. confirms that FINANCIAL NEWS NETWORK and UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL are up for sale. ... CHRYSLER CHAIRMAN LEE IACOCCA is teaming up with civil rights leaders to attack what they say are racially motivated hiring practices at Japanese U.S. car operations. ... PAN AM CHAIRMAN THOMAS PLASKETT says the airline has received several inquires for its East Coast shuttle. ... SIEMENS AG of Germany and GPT of Britain are negotiating the merger of their public telecommunications into what would be the third-largest supplier of telephone switching equipment in North America, challenging AT&T and NORTHERN TELECOM.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

ENERGY SECRETARY JAMES WATKINS addresses the NATIONAL COAL COUNCIL at 9:15 am. EST. ... A conference on market manipulation begins today. CHICAGO MERC chief economist TODD PETZEL is scheduled to speak at 9:15, CFTC enforcement division director DENNIS KLEJNA and NEW YORK MERC senior V.P. ROBERT DAVIS are speaking at 11 a.m. EST. SEC commissioner EDWARD FLEISCHMAN and AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE senior V.P. STEPHEN LISTER are scheduled to speak at 4 p.m. EST. ... Chairman of the COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS, MICHAEL BOSKIN addresses the AMERICAN COUNCIL FOR CAPITAL FORMATION on the subject of U.S. productivity. ... THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF SECURITIES COMMISSIONS (IOSCO) will propose a

set of principles to regulate screen-based trading systems at the body's annual conference next week in Santiago. ... AT&T and NCR are discussing combining their computer businesses.

FROM THE BULLS:

"The long-run economic factors are giving rise to a new bull market in stocks " says CARL FUTIA, technical analyst at CYCLIC FORECAST CORP. "The current level of stock prices has pretty much discounted the worst that is likely to happen in the economy. ... Stock prices typically start rising around the middle of a recession and continue well into the next recovery. ... I think the Dow has a real good shot over the next two years to get to 4000." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/7)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I remain resolutely bearish longer term," says MICHAEL JENKINS at "Stock Market Cycles." But Jenkins thinks the short term outlook is more positive with cycles showing tremendous strength in late November, even into mid-January. "It will be more tricky to pick the top to short," says Jenkins who is looking for several wild price swings and mini-crashes as the shorts trade positions. In the end, says Jenkins, "[The] legitimate next down leg will be as vicious as the first 600 points." (CNBC "World Business" 11/8)

"There aren't any brave souls who want to step in and buy" stocks, says WILLIAM SULYA, head of OTC trading at A.G EDWARDS & SONS. Mr. Sulya notes that some traders added to the markets decline yesterday by selling inventory shares to avoid possible further losses on those positions. "It has become so dangerous to keep positions in this kind of market. Traders' positions are more vulnerable on a daily basis, so they try to clear out as much of their positions as they can." (WSJ, 11/8)

STOCK MARKET:

"I don't sense an underlying tone leading me to believe the stock market is starting to accelerate to the downside," says PHILIP ROTH of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "The market is still in a rebuilding process." Roth predicts a "zig zag" rally to about 2625 by January, but says the Dow will then fall to 2250. ("Investor's Daily", 11/8)

Fear and uncertainty in the market appears to be losing strength, according to DAVID KLINEMAN at the "Callard Report." "The lows just above 2350 on the Dow Industrials look like a major bottom," says Klineman who sees the "first concrete suggestion that a major new bull market is about to begin." (CNBC "World Business", 11/8)

"Working off the historical record ... there's an average loss of about 36%" during bear markets, says ALAN SHAW of SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS UPHAM. The

current downturn "would place the Dow at 1900," but Shaw believes that 2000-2100 "may be somewhat an outside number." He thinks the current bear market rally may carry the Dow up by between 100 and 200 points. ("Nightly Business Report", 11/7)

"The overall effect [of the increased pressures in the Middle East] is, people don't want to be long in stocks when the talk is confrontation," says RICHARD MEYER, head of equity trading at LADENBURG, THALMANN & CO. (WSJ, 11/8)

"It was largely an oil-driven decline in stocks [yesterday]," says EDWARD NICOSKI at PIPER JAFFRAY & HOPWOOD. "But the Treasury auction was also a factor to some extent. Although the yields on 10-year notes were regarded as OK, the bids were not as numerous as people thought." ("The Washington Post", 11/8)

"The feeling here is that war could come as soon as this weekend," says ALBERT SORIA of KANSALLIS-OSAKE-PANKKI. He blames war jitters for weakness in the market yesterday. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/7)

STOCK TIPS:

"Individuals find refuge in religion when times get difficult," says JEAN-MARIE EVEILLARD, manager of SOGEN INTERNATIONAL FUND. "There's a saying when times are good, people play, when times are bad, people pray." For that reason he likes the stock of Bible publisher THOMAS NELSON. (WSJ, 11/8)

"In the old days, you could just throw a dart at any of the [food] stocks, but now you've got to be extremely selective," says JACK MAXWELL at WHEAT FIRST SECURITIES. He recommends GENERAL MILLS. JOHN McMILLIN of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE likes KELLOGG. ("USA Today", 11/8)

Beer consumption rises during a recession, according to CARMINE GRIGOLI, chief investment strategist for FIRST BOSTON. One reason, he says, is "individuals trading down from more expensive drinks." Mr. Grigoli call ANHEUSER-BUSCH a buy. He also likes a pair of can manufacturers, CROWN CORK & SEAL and HEEKIN CAN. "Consumers tend to alter their eating patterns" if income declines. "They eat out less, and they eat less expensive foods at home." (WSJ, 11/8)

"WALMART is going to show a ten percent increase for October - that's better than anybody else," says WALTER LEOB of LEOB ASSOCIATES. He says the retailer should continue growing. "Now they are only in 33 states," says Leob. His other retail pick is HOME DEPOT. (CNBC "World Business", 11/8)

SNL MONTHLY MARKET REPORT lists 13 savings and loan stocks it says have been unfairly driven down to bargain-basement prices. They are: FIRST FEDERAL of East Hartford, Conn.; GERMANTOWN SAVINGS BANK in Philadelphia; MARYLAND FEDERAL BANCORP in Hyattsville, Md.; FRANKLIN FIRST FINANCIAL in Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; LOYOLA CAPITAL CORP. in Baltimore; FIDELITY SAVINGS ASSOCIATION in

Philadelphia; OMNI CAPITAL GROUP in Salisbury, N.C., MASSBANK CORP. in Reading Mass.; PEOPLE'S SAVINGS FINANCIAL CORP. in Bridgeport, Conn.; CARDINAL FINANCIAL GROUP in Owensboro, Ky.; APOLLO SAVINGS AND LOAN in Cincinnati; FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK in Decatur, Ala.; and AMERIANA BANCORP in New Castle, Ind. ("USA Today", 11/8)

DAVID KLINEMAN at the "Callard Report" recommends THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS, saying the market for their environmental services should expand geometrically. He also likes REUTERS where he views recent weakness as a buying opportunity. (CNBC "World Business", 11/8)

HUGH JOHNSON, chief investment officer at FIRST ALBANY CORP., did some homework on which industries tended to do well in recessions and then checked those industries for stocks that showed rising earnings through the 1980 and 1981-82 twin recessions. He determined that collection agencies get busier and UNION CORP. is prominent in that field. Pawn shops also do well, so CASH AMERICA INVESTMENTS and U.S. PAWN deserve consideration. PHILIP MORRIS and U.S. TOBACCO tend to do well in recessions. Packaged foods tend to do better in recessions giving another nod to Philip Morris and to food retailers such as ALBERTSON'S, AMERICAN STORES, GIANT, GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA, KROGER, WEIS MARKETS and WINN-DIXIE. In hard times people tend to have more time to paint their homes which is good for SHERWIN- WILLIAMS, STANDARD BRANDS PAINT and VALSPAR. Mr. Johnson also says computer service companies do well in recessions. The computer service company stocks that he thinks deserve a look include: AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING, GENERAL MOTORS CLASS E (ELECTRONIC DATA SYSTEMS), NATIONAL DATA, SHARED MEDICAL SYSTEMS and TELECREDIT. (WSJ, 11/8)

While some of the financial stocks have rebounded this week, "the basic trends in the business are still in place," according to DAVID ELLISON of FIDELITY MANAGEMENT & RESEARCH. "It took a number of years to develop these problems. It will take a number of years to get out." ("Investor's Daily", 11/8)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

According to DAVID MULFORD, U.S. TREASURY UNDERSECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, the U.S. is concerned about the weak dollar. He says, "Obviously we are concerned about it, but it is not a situation that has reached a point where there are immediate dire consequences of the weakening dollar." (CNN "Moneyline", 11/7)

"Dealers are still strong believers in the dollar as a refuge during times of

uncertainty," says ROBERT HATCHER of BARCLAYS BANK PLC. "The market is still very uncomfortable selling dollars with a heightened possibility of war in the Middle East." ("Investor's Daily", 11/8)

"I don't believe investors who want to get involved in currencies now should expect that the dollar will trend lower [because] these trends are very mature " says MICHAEL SALZBANK, president of RAM ASSET MANAGEMENT. "These foreign currencies ... are overbought. With that, you just can't expect a good risk reward situation for the investor jumping on the train right now. It's been a long road. Many of the currencies have been trending for well over a year, so you have to be very careful because [the currency market] is going to continue to be very erratic." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/7)

"Everyone was selling the dollar, but then the Thatcher comment warning Saddam to get out of Kuwait made investors cover those short positions," says PETER WILD, senior vice president at BANK JULIUS BAER & CO. "The dollar's fundamentals are overwhelmingly weak." (Reuters, 11/7)

"There was kind of a knee jerk reaction in the dollar following the Thatcher comments," according to VARICK MARTIN of MANUFACTURERS HANOVER. The British Prime Minister's strong words towards Iraq raised fears of an outbreak of hostilities in the Middle East. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/7)

"I think that over the long-haul, which is about a year or a year- and-a-half, people are going to look back and say 148 D-marks to the dollar was an incredibly, incredibly cheap price for the dollar," says LEONARD DENDUNNEN of UNION BANK OF SWITZERLAND. "However, between now and a year from now the dollar could drop a very, very long way and I'm certainly not going to buck the trend on the short side." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/7)

"By the end of the year we will see Fed funds between 7% and 7 1/2% and by the end of 1991 we will see Fed funds probably around 6%," says CARL FUTIA of CYCLIC FORECAST CORP. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/7)

"Even though the [Treasury] auction statistics [from yesterday] look very good the problem is that the market environment in some sense has worsened, so it's a very curious auction to describe," says ROBERT BRUSCA, chief economist at NIKKO SECURITIES. "Taken by itself, the auction looked fine. In the context of the market and other things going on, it doesn't look good at all. Technically, there are some very ugly things going on." He says today's auction may see a more negative reaction to renewed war talk in the Mideast. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/7)

"Traders are approaching this [30-year] bond sale very cautiously," says LAWRENCE LEUZZI, a managing director at S.G. WARBURG & CO. "We really need to see yields back up to 8.75%" to attract sufficient investor interest. Despite the bond market's setback, the mood remains positive, says Mr. Leuzzi. "People are still bullish with regard to the long run because economic

fundamentals are so weak. But in the short run, there is some renewed concern about the Middle East." (WSJ, 11/8)

The downside in the credit market may be limited. "The market has been volatile [recently] but I think the risk of any kind of sustained setback after today's losses is fairly slim," says BOB DICLEMENTE of SALOMON BROTHERS. (Reuters, 11/7)

"We really blew these [Treasury] securities right out the door [for the past two days]," says CHARLES LIEBERMAN at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER SECURITIES. "So the first two auctions were excellent." He is more skeptical about the 30-year auction coming up today because he does not think the Japanese will be big buyers. He looks for the Fed funds rate to be at 7 1/4% by the end of the year. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/7)

CITICORP is redeeming $275 million of its $950 million in outstanding perpetual preferred stock in response to the 12% to 14% returns demanded by investors recently. Similar stock auctioned yesterday sold at a yield of 7.48%. "This might bolster confidence in Citicorp by dispelling the perception that Citicorp is having terrible funding problems and that it has to sell the preferred stock each week," says COUNTY NATWEST USA analyst STEPHEN BERMAN. ("USA Today", 11/8)

THE ECONOMY:

"I believe the inflation picture is beginning to look much better," says EDWARD HYMAN, vice chairman of C.J. LAWRENCE. He attributes that improved scenario "to lower non-oil commodity prices and the slowdown in wage gains that we have seen." (NYT, 11/8)

With banks and financial markets nervous, venture capital is often the only game in town for fast growing, young companies, says ALAN PATRICOF, chairman of PATRICOF ASSOCIATES. "Money is available ... we have a lot of money in the whole [venture capital] industry." The IPO market has gone downhill since 1983, says Patricof, and venture capitalists are less likely to take new companies public as part of their "exit strategy." "This means many of the companies started during the eighties are going to be acquired, rather than be free standing companies," says Patricof. (CNN "Business Morning", 11/8)

"War represents fear, in terms of the oil traders, that the conflagration would get beyond Kuwait itself and perhaps Saudi facilities would be damaged," says C.J. LAWRENCE's CHARLES MAXWELL. He predicts that the U.S. will have to "initiate hostilities" against Iraq. "My gut feeling is odds [are] two out of three that we will not be able to solve it diplomatically," says Maxwell. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/7)

"There is a considerable school of thought that the day war breaks out, you've got to sell the market because the worst case scenario has materialized," says

NAUMAN BARAKAT of MERRILL LYNCH. "If the export facilities aren't damaged, then the market has seen the top." (NYT, 11/8)

If war does break out, "clearly the initial reaction will be a major spike in the price of oil," perhaps reaching as high as $100 per barrel, says ROBERT HEISTERBERG of ALLIANCE CAPITAL. "The interesting part is that, depending on what happens on the ground, oil prices may then, in fact, stabilize." He says that the Iran-Iraq War proved that it is difficult to "take out" oil production facilities. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/7)

IN WASHINGTON:

"For ten years, Republicans have been saying they'd be the party to redraw congressional district lines in 1991," says TIM DICKSON, director of the Democrats' redistricting operation. "Well it won't happen." (WSJ, 11/8)

"The consensus is it's just a matter of when we're going to war," says PETER BEUTEL of THE PEGASUS ECONOMETRIC GROUP. "We've heard it from our own Administration so many times that people on the trading floor were getting tired of it." (NYT, 11/8)

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - GTI Corp. (AMEX: GTI) today reported a 40 percent year-to-year increase in its third quarter earnings per share, due largely to the successful operations of recently acquired Valor Electronics. Third quarter net income rose 115 percent, but the number of GTI common shares outstanding was up 2.5 million shares from the previous year due to the Valor acquisition.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, GTI reported revenues of $15,877,000 and net income of $692,000 or $.07 per share, compared to revenues of $9,755,000 and net income of $321,000 or $.05 per share reported for the same period during 1989.

Order backlog on Sept. 30, 1990 stood at $17,104,000 compared to $7,979,000 on the same date last year.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $37,520,000 compared to $32,152,000 for the same period last year. Net income during the nine month period was $1,189,000 or $.15 per share compared to $1,544,000 or $.22 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Commenting on the third quarter performance, Gary L. Luick, president and chief operating officer said, "The acquisition of Valor Electronics made a significant contribution to GTI's revenue and net income this quarter. Valor is meeting our highest expectations and we believe the acquisition will

greatly benefit GTI in both the short and long term."

Commenting on the company's earnings trend, Luick added, "The improving pattern of our quarter-to-quarter performance for 1990 is tracking as anticipated and we continue to look for an upward earnings trend for the remainder of the year. The deteriorating economy, however, is putting increased pressure on many of our operations as it is on other companies, but so far we are not seeing a great deal of impact on Valor's markets."

The Distribution Group continued to maintain profit margins but still experienced a slow-down in sales. The Circuits Group saw a modest recovery as a result of increasing demand from the automotive industry and from the addition of several new customers. The Electronics Group, both domestically and in Ireland, has remained stable throughout the quarter.

GTI Corp. is a multi-plant distributor and manufacturer of electronic components, circuit boards and electronic component processing equipment for the automotive, instrumentation, industrial, electronics and computer industries.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - IDB Communications Group Inc. (NASDAQ: IDBX) today announced profitable third quarter results for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990 as a result of rapid implementation of cost cutting measures and revenue gains primarily due to broadcast service activities in the Middle East.

Revenue for the three months ended Sept. 30 increased 63 percent to $22,446,000 from $13,748,000 in 1989, while revenue for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 52 percent to $63,018,000 from $41,574,000 in 1989. The net income for the third quarter was $44,000, or 1 cent per share, versus net income of $651,000, or 13 cents per share, for the same period in 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, the net loss was ($547,000), or (9 cents) per share, versus net income of $1,496,000, or 30 cents per share, in 1989. Average shares outstanding for the period increased to 6,362,000, as compared to 4,982,000 in 1989.

"All operating divisions experienced revenue growth during the third quarter, with the Broadcast and International Divisions benefiting from increased demand for transmission services from the Middle East during August and September," stated Edward Cheramy, president of IDB Communications. "In addition, the Company's cost of sales and SG&A expenses during the quarter dropped substantially as a percentage of revenue, reflecting the effects of controls put in place during the period. These favorable factors allowed the

company to restore profitability after the disappointing second quarter," concluded Cheramy.

Cash flow also improved dramatically during the third quarter with net cash provided by operating activities increasing to $3,514,000 from approximately $700,000 in the second quarter and $280,000 in the first quarter.

"The momentum initiated in the third quarter has, to date, continued into the fourth quarter," said Cheramy. He noted that the company has been retained to provide broadcast transmission services for several major events scheduled prior to the end of the year and improved operating procedures are generating lower overhead costs.

IDB Communications Group Inc. is a leading supplier of transmission and distribution services for domestic and international radio, television and data/voice communications via satellite and fiber optics.

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#90312p4548 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Even with the current recessionary trend in the economy, Days Inns of America, Inc. third quarter wrapped up with strong results in franchise sales, a steady stream of property openings, and an exceptional number of calls to Days reservations centers.

Franchise sales stayed strong, executing 91 agreements, 45 percent of which will be new construction while 55 percent will be conversions. Over the three months, Days opened 65 properties -- one per business day. This brought the total number of open hotels in the system to 1,093 with 130,431 rooms.

"Despite economic uncertainties, many are continuing to develop smaller properties," says Days President, John Snodgrass. "The fact that they are choosing Days is a testament to the strength of the brand in the marketplace."

In fact, in a recent study performed by accounting firm Arthur Andersen & Co., and published in the November issue of Success magazine, Days was named fourth in "The Success Gold 100" ranking of all franchise companies. In its introduction, the article stated, "In our ranking, strength of management, not speed of growth, is the crucial factor." Other factors considered in the ranking were franchise services, corporate culture, cases of termination and litigation. To insure candor in the study, the target companies were not told that they would be ranked for Success magazine.

Other impressive third quarter figures include: 2,895,737 calls came in to the reservations centers. Bookings resulting from those calls are up 10

percent over the same period of 1989, and roomnights booked are up 9.5 percent.

Recent statistics released by the United States Travel and Tourism Administration (USTTA) show that international arrivals in the United States during the first half of this year have risen 11 percent, and Days is also getting its share of that business. In the third quarter, voucher sales increased 30 percent over the same period in 1989, proving that Days two voucher programs -- Visit USA, Canada and Mexico, and Go As You Please -- offer the international traveler the ease and value they want. And with two European sales offices (London and Frankfurt) now on-line with the U.S. reservations centers, arranging travel to Days U.S. properties has never been easier.

"On every front -- international and domestic, business and leisure -- we are offering travelers what they want," says Snodgrass. "That's good for our existing franchisees, and makes us very attractive to potential new ones."

Days Inns of America, Inc., with its Days brand inns, hotels, suites and Daystops, is the third largest hotel brand in the world and the fastest growing in the moderate price segment of the market. An international lodging operator and franchisor, the chain has more than 1,600 hotels open and under development in 50 states, Canada, Mexico, Europe and India.

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#90312p4551 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Budd Company, one of the nation's largest suppliers to the automotive industry, is urging its more than 10,000 employees in nine states to invest in themselves and their jobs when shopping for a 1991 model car or truck.

In a six-page, multi-colored buyer's guide distributed this week to employees, the company lists by manufacturer and model name the cars, vans, utility vehicles and trucks for which it produces parts, assemblies or components. The guide is also being distributed to company retirees and suppliers.

"It's designed to help us buy smart in the purchase of 1991 models by supporting those that have demonstrated confidence in our company," explained Siegfried Buschmann, Budd chairman and CEO.

Characterized as "These Budds Are Yours," the guide makes no recommendation regarding manufacturer or model. It includes shopping tips, a buyer's worksheet and photos of 40 of the many different Budd- represented models produced by manufacturers such as Ford, General Motors, Chrysler, Mazda, Isuzu Mercedes-Benz and Daihatsu.

Headquartered in the Detroit suburb of Troy, Budd, the 78-year-old subsidiary of Thyssen AG, of Germany, produces vehicle body and chassis frame components, wheel and brake products, castings, prototypes and a variety of other products for the vehicle manufacturers. Bud's nine manufacturing assembly plants are located in Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Wisconsin and Washington.

NOTE: Photo available on request from CONTACT: Paul Sichert of The Budd Company, 313-643-3520

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#90312p4555 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Mycogen Corp. (NASDAQ: MYCO) today announced an agreement with Japan Tobacco Inc. (JT) to commercialize Mycogen's fatty acid based pesticide products in Japan. Under the agreement, Mycogen will manufacture and supply products to JT, who will have exclusive distribution rights in Japan.

The agreement includes Mycogen's current fatty acid products, M-Pede(TM), SharpShooter(R), DeMoss(TM) and ForEverGreen(R), as well as new fatty acid pesticides developed by Mycogen. JT will commence the effort to obtain government registrations and is responsible for commercially developing the products in Japan. In addition, JT is providing funding to Mycogen to support a research and development program for fatty acid pesticides.

"Japan Tobacco has been an excellent corporate partner," said Jerry Caulder, chairman of Mycogen. "We are pleased to expand the scope of our relationship and look forward to working with JT to commercialize these products in Japan."

Mr. Akio Niitsu, vice president agribusiness division of JT, said, "The fatty acid products of Mycogen are environmentally acceptable pesticides which should find promising markets in Japan, where the concern over use of chemical pesticides in the environment is growing just as it is in the U.S. Distribution of these products will support the growth of our company's agribusiness."

Mycogen Corp. develops, manufactures and markets biopesticides as alternatives to chemical pesticides to control a variety of insects, weeds and other pests. Mycogen's biopesticide products are based on natural agents such as microorganisms and fatty acid compounds which are compatible with the environment. The company develops its products through the application of genetic engineering technology and innovative formulations.

Japan Tobacco Inc., headquartered in Tokyo, is the dominant supplier of tobacco products in Japan with total annual revenues of $17 billion. In recent years, JT has diversified into foods, beverages, pharmaceuticals, and agribusiness.

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#90312p4556 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. (NYSE: CHH) today reported sales for the four weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990 were $212.0 million an increase of 1.7 percent from the $208.4 million recorded in the comparable prior year. The company also reported sales for the 39 weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990 were $1,880.2 million, an increase of 0.6 percent from the $1,868.5 million recorded in the same period last year. On a comparative store basis, sales were down 0.1 percent in October and flat for the 39 weeks.

Sales for the first three months of the company's fiscal year ended Nov. 3, 1990 were $669.3 million, an increase of 0.8 percent from the $663.8 million reported in the same period last year. On a comparative store basis, sales were down 0.5 percent for the period.

Carter Hawley Hale operates 114 department stores under the names of The Broadway-Southern California, The Broadway-Southwest, Emporium, Thalhimers and Weinstocks.

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#90312p4557 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDLAND, MICH. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dow Chemical Company (NYSE: DOW) Board of Directors today declared a quarterly dividend of $.65 per share, payable Jan. 30, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

This will be the 316th consecutive quarterly dividend since 1912. Dow has maintained or increased the dividend rate throughout that time.

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#90312p4558 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - SmithKline Beecham (NYSE: SBH) announced today that operating profit (trading profit) from continuing operations increased 31 percent in the third quarter of 1990 to $432 million/231 million pounds sterling.

Pre-tax profit for the quarter increased 30 percent to $408 million/218

million pounds. Earnings per share increased 21 percent to 18.5 cents/9.9 pence per Ordinary Share and 92.5 cents/49.5 pence per Equity Unit.

Sales from continuing operations, showing the effect of exchange rate fluctuations, particularly the weakening U.S. dollar, were $2.021 billion/1.081 billion pounds, a 3 percent decrease from the third quarter of 1989. Due to the fact that a large proportion of the sales are outside the U.K., translation of sales has been affected by exchange rates. On a constant exchange rate basis, third quarter sales increased 4 percent. Exchange rate fluctuations had a marginal impact on operating profits due to the company's hedging program.

For the first nine months of 1990, sales from continuing operations were up 8 percent. Operating profit from continuing operations was up 28 percent, pre-tax profit increased 8 percent and earnings per share rose 1 percent. Figures for the nine months were not significantly impacted by exchange rate fluctuations.

Interest for the quarter, at $24 million/13 million pounds shows a significant reduction against both the $73 million/39 million pounds last year and the $56 million/30 million pounds reported in the second quarter of 1990. This was the result of continued debt reduction from $1.537 billion/822 million pounds at June 30, to $1.219 billion/ 652 million pounds at Sept. 30. The level of debt was affected by cash received from business disposals, lower than expected capital expenditures and the effect of closing exchange rate translation.

Robert P. Bauman, chief executive, stated: "The third quarter was highlighted by continued growth in operating profit and earnings per share. This illustrates the strength of our businesses and the success of our restructuring program which has enabled us to reduce costs and increase operating margins.

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#90312p4559 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Limited, Inc. (NYSE/LSE/TSE: LTD) reported net sales for the October fiscal month ended Nov. 3, 1990 of $380.0 million, an increase of 13 percent from sales of $335.0 million for the same period in 1989. Sales of $3.510 billion for the nine months ended Nov. 3 increased 17 percent from the same period last year, excluding results of Lerner Woman.

The company's comparable store sales decreased 1 percent in October 1990 and increased 5 percent for the nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990.

The Limited, Inc., through Lerner New York, Limited Stores, Lane Bryant, Express, Victoria's Secret, Structure, Limited Too, Abercrombie & Fitch, Cacique, Henri Bendel, Victoria's Secret Bath Shops, Bath and Body Works, and Penhaligon's, presently operates 3,776 specialty stores and distributes apparel nationally through the Victoria's Secret, Lerner Direct, Lane Bryant Direct and Roaman's catalogues.

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#90312p4561 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Navistar International Corporation (NYSE: NAV) today announced that, effective immediately, John R. Horne, 52, has been elected president, chief operating officer and a director, and Robert C. Lannert, 50, has been elected executive vice president, chief financial officer and a director.

Together with James C. Cotting, chairman and chief executive officer, both men will become members of a newly formed office of the chief executive, which will be responsible for overall results of the corporation and its strategic direction.

Horne, who had been group vice president and general manager, engine and foundry operations, replaces Neil A. Springer, who retired on Oct. 31, 1990. All of Navistar's truck, parts and engine operations will report to Horne.

Lannert, who had been vice president and treasurer, will have responsibility for the treasury, corporate controller, internal audit and investor relations functions. In addition, Navistar Financial Corporation, the company's finance and insurance subsidiary, will report to Lannert.

In a related move, Daniel C. Ustian, 40, was elected group vice president and general manager, engine and foundry operations, replacing Horne.

Horne joined Navistar in 1966 as an engineer in the company's diesel engineering center at Melrose Park, Ill. He was promoted to progressively more responsible positions in engine engineering and became vice president, engineering, in 1980. In April, 1983, Horne was named vice president and general manager of the engine and foundry operations. He was named a group vice president earlier this year. Lannert joined Navistar as a trainee in the treasury department in 1963. He was promoted to Navistar Finance AG in Zurich Switzerland, where he held increasingly more responsible positions in the finance area. In 1976, he was named assistant treasurer with responsibility for overseas financial relations and operations. He became assistant treasurer for North American operations in 1977 and was named vice president and treasurer in 1979. He assumed the additional position of vice president

and treasurer of Navistar's operating subsidiary, Navistar International Transportation Corp., in 1987.

In commenting on Lannert's promotion, Cotting cited his major contribution to Navistar's successful financial restructuring during the 1980s and his demonstrated achievements in financial management, including addressing the company's unfunded pension liability and strengthening its balance sheet. He also said that his wide-ranging knowledge of international finance, foresight, and creativity in evaluating business opportunities will be essential to executing Navistar's growth strategies for the next decade.

Ustian joined Navistar in 1973 as a financial analyst and progressed through various assignments in the company's former agricultural equipment and components groups. In 1985, he was named director of finance, engine and foundry operations. He was named vice president, manufacturing, engine and foundry, in 1987.

Navistar is the leading producer of medium and heavy trucks in North America and the worldwide leader in the production of mid-range diesel engines.

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#90312p4564 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, N.J. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Liposome Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: LIPO) announced today that it has begun Phase II clinical trials with its proprietary drug, TLC G-65, for the treatment of disseminated Mycobacterium avium-intracellulare (MAI), an opportunistic infection that eventually strikes 30 percent to 50 percent of AIDS patients. TLC G-65 received orphan drug designation from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in July 1990.

In pre-clinical trials, TLC G-65 was highly effective against MAI infection. In Phase I studies, completed last month in healthy volunteers, the drug was well tolerated. The Phase II clinical trials are designed to establish an effective dose for TLC G-65 and then test the drug in expanded, multi-center studies.

There are currently no drugs approved for the treatment of MAI, which can cause high fever, night sweats, abdominal pain, diarrhea and weight loss in AIDS patients. Severe anemia and significant blood transfusion requirements frequently accompany these symptoms. The disease can be fatal.

MAI is an intracellular infection (the infection is inside the affected cells) which initially enters the body through the lungs or gastrointestinal tract of AIDS patients, but can then rapidly spread (disseminate) to organs in the reticuloendothelial system (RES), including the spleen, liver, lymph nodes and

bone marrow. Conventional antibiotics are generally ineffective against MAI because they fail to penetrate into the affected cells in concentrations sufficient to kill the infection.

TLC G-65 is a new drug consisting of an aminoglycoside antibiotic entrapped in liposomes. Liposomes are microscopic vesicles which consist of inner aqueous compartments surrounded by one or more lipid membranes. Loading an antibiotic inside a liposome is somewhat like hiding soldiers inside a trojan horse. Macrophages and other cells of the RES, in which MAI resides, recognize liposomes as foreign particles and phagocytose or "swallow" the liposomes as if they were invading organisms. Once inside the cell, the lipid membranes of the liposomes are degraded by cellular enzymes thereby allowing the antibiotic to be released so it can kill the infection.

The largest company dedicated exclusively to the development of liposome-based pharmaceuticals, the Liposome Company is primarily focused on developing advanced liposomal drugs for the treatment of cancer and serious infectious diseases.

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#90312p4568 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are the third quarter 1990 results for The British Petroleum Company p.l.c.:

HIGHLIGHTS

	July-September		January-September	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Profit for the period after taxation before extraordinary items				
Replacement cost net income				
Dollars million	217	415	1,294	1,686
Pounds million	103	264	748	1,016
Historical cost net income				
Dollars million	1,446	317	2,109	2,151
Pounds million	822	211	1,219	1,296
Extraordinary items				
Dollars million	--	--	45	443
Pounds million	--	--	26	267
Replacement cost earnings per ADR				
Dollars	0.49	0.95	2.91	3.67
Pence	22.8	60.0	168.0	220.8

Historical cost earnings per ADR				
Dollars	3.25	0.77	4.73	4.68
Pence	184.8	50.4	273.6	282.0

THIRD QUARTER RESULTS OF BUSINESSES

EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION replacement cost operating profit of $645 million (341 million pounds) compares with $528 million (334 million pounds) earned in the same quarter of 1989. The benefit from the rise in market prices in the quarter has been limited by the time lag before spot price levels are fully reflected in realizations. It has also been partly offset by the effect of lower production. In the U.K., routine maintenance took place at BP's major fields, Forties and Magnus. In Alaska, the successful installation of the first phase of the gas handling expansion program and the maintenance carried out on the BP separation facilities temporarily necessitated lower production.

Total crude oil production averaged 1,227,000 barrels per day (b/d) in the quarter, compared with 1,427,000 b/d in the third quarter of 1989. Crude oil production in the U.S. averaged 696,000 b/d in third quarter 1990, compared with 762,000 b/d in the year-ago third quarter. Sales of natural gas worldwide averaged 1,270 million cubic feet per day (mmcf/d) in the 1990 third quarter, compared with 974 mmcf/d in the third quarter of 1989.

BP has resolved long standing disputes with its Prudhoe Bay partners, thereby enabling further substantial development of the field in Alaska. Investment in additional gas handling facilities will eventually increase liquids production by approximately 100,000 b/d within the overall declining profile. The disputes' resolution between partners has resulted in a reallocation of the future condensate reserves from BP to the partners. However, this reallocation is expected to be fully offset for BP by the additional reserves secured by increased gas handling capacity.

REFINING AND MARKETING replacement cost operating profit for the quarter was $459 million (248 million pounds), compared with $244 million (154 million pounds) in the corresponding quarter of 1989.

The refining segment, benefiting from higher margins, continued to perform strongly, while the marketing segment was substantially affected by the Gulf crisis, with most sectors experiencing difficulty in passing on product cost increases to customers.

CHEMICALS replacement cost operating profit of $41 million (20 million pounds) for the quarter was $134 million (92 million pounds) below the third quarter of 1989. In September, the cost of naphtha feedstock was more than double the July level. Price increases to recover higher costs were initiated, but timing lags create an inevitable squeeze on margins.

NUTRITION replacement cost operating profit of $25 million (14 million pounds) in the quarter compares with $22 million (13 million pounds) in the year-earlier quarter. European animal feed profitability remained strong. However, results in the U.S. were affected by weak hog packing margins, and in the U.K., Consumer Products Division's own label activities suffered from strong competition.

OTHER BUSINESSES AND CORPORATE comprises the results of Chase Brass, which was sold during the quarter, minerals and coal assets retained by the group, interest income, and costs relating to corporate activities worldwide. Last year included compensation payable to BP for the period up to completion of the Minerals sale on June 30, 1989.

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DOMINGUEZ, CALIF. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Pic 'N' Save Corp. (NASDAQ: PICN) announced today that its sales for the four weeks ended Oct. 28, 1990 from continuing operations were $36,772,000, up 10.1 percent from $33,401,000 for the same period in the prior year. Sales from continuing operations for the 39 weeks were $323,801,000, up 12.6 percent from the prior year's sales from continuing operations for the same period of $287,604,000. Sales from continuing operations exclude the company's 14 Job Lot Pushcart stores which were sold in August of this year.

Total sales for the four-week period increased 3.5 percent from $35,514,000 for the same period in the prior year. Sales for the 39 weeks were $337,164,000, up 9.3 percent from $308,429,000 for the same period last year. Sales in comparable stores for the month of October and for the year to date increased by approximately 1.0 percent and 2.0 percent, respectively.

During October, the company opened four stores, three in Florida (Tampa, Clearwater, and Miami) and one in Metairie, La., bringing the number of stores in operation at the end of the month to 186. The stores in Florida are operated under the trade name The WOW! Store.

The company also announced that it has accepted the resignation of Arthur Frankel from the position of chairman of the board. Frankel will continue to serve as a director and provide the benefits of his leadership and long experience with the company. Peter S. Willmott was elected by the board to serve as chairman. Willmott currently serves as chairman of the board of Willmott Services, Inc. He was formerly the chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of Carson Pirie Scott & Company in Chicago. Willmott serves as a director of Federal Express Corporation, International Multifoods Corp., Maytag Corp., Nicolet Instruments Corp., and Zenith Electronics Corp.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Fujitsu America Inc. today introduced its new Pocket Commander cellular telephone in Los Angeles, which, with optional slim battery, is the smallest and lightest portable cellular phone in the world.

Weighing in at a mere 10.2 oz., the Fujitsu Pocket Commander was simultaneously announced in the United States, Japan, and Canada. It will be available in the Los Angeles area beginning next week and marketed nationally in the first quarter of 1991.

"Pocket phones are changing the way we think about cellular phones," says C.P. Shankar, vice president of sales and marketing for Fujitsu's cellular mobile telephone division near Dallas. "They're not just for business anymore. Pocket phones are personal accessories, like wristwatches."

Shankar says small portable phones are the fastest growing segment in the cellular telephone market, although not all are truly "pocket size," which is a key distinction.

"If carrying a portable phone means having to put it in a briefcase or a carrying case, it's not really going to be perceived by the consumer as a 'go-anywhere' product," says Shankar. "Size is what will liberate the cellular phone from the car and briefcase," he adds.

Fujitsu achieved the diminutive size with the company's custom LSI chips, according to Shankar, and the result is a phone that easily fits in a shirt pocket. The Pocket Commander offers sleek Euro styling, rugged durability, numerous convenience features, and practical accessories.

The standard "Extra Talk-Time" battery adds less than 2 oz. of weight and increases the Pocket Commander's talk time to 80 minutes of continuous conversation, or 13 hours of standby.

Standard features include alphabetic directory and scroll, 100- number memory, 40 alpha numeric memory, one touch last number redial, silent alert mode, voice and ring volume control, individual call timer, accumulated call timer, battery level monitor, low-charge audible alarm, electronic locking and more.

Options available for the Pocket Commander include vehicle adapter, three-watt

power booster and rapid battery charger. A desk charger is included as standard.

"The Ergonomic design offers a solid, comfortable feel at an extremely light weight, while the sophisticated European-inspired design makes a strong personal style statement," Shankar notes.

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ANAHEIM, CALIF. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - In keeping with its charter to develop the most complete line of precision timing products available from one company Odetics (AMEX: OA and OB) has purchased the assets of Coordinated Time Link (CTL) of Santa Clara, Calif. This is Odetics' second acquisition of a timing company during the past eight months.

As part of the agreement, CTL's products -- including a recently introduced IBM PC-compatible board that links personal computers to the U.S. atomic-time-standard -- have been added to Odetics Precision Time Division's product line and CTL's employees have become Odetics associates. The CTL operation will remain in Santa Clara until mid- 1991.

The new product, designated the CTS-10, is an easy-to-operate, plug-in precision time standard. Uses for the CTS-10 include PC- based applications that require affordable, precise time within 50 millisecond accuracy. Example applications include the synchronization of traffic light systems, communication networks, data collection, process control, security systems and supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA).

"With the acquisition of CTL and the addition of the CTS-10, Odetics now offers precision timing for a much broader range of applications," explains Don Greenspan, vice president and general manager of Odetics Precision Time Division. "The CTS-10 is a cost- effective solution for situations that call for accurate time, but do not require a more-precise receiver. For applications like the synchronization of computer networks or traffic lights, the CTS-10 specification of accuracy within 50 milliseconds of Coordinated Universal Time is appropriate, and the board's $295 price tag is very attractive."

Installed inside an IBM-compatible PC, the CTS-10 receives and decodes digital time information encoded on the high-frequency radio signal broadcast by station WWV in Fort Collins, Colo., by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). The NIST -- formerly known as the National Bureau of Standards (NBS) -- broadcasts time information throughout North America which is synchronized to the United States atomic-time standard.

Odetics, headquartered in Anaheim, is a leading manufacturer of intelligent machines, including information systems, for collecting digital and analog data, as well as robotic and artificial intelligence systems.

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HAUPPAGE, N.Y. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Knogo Corporation (NYSE: KNO), a multi-national company now celebrating its 25th anniversary as the standard of the loss prevention industry, today named Arthur J. Minasy chairman of the board.

Minasy, founder of the company (and of the global electronic article surveillance industry), as well as the holder of many patents in loss prevention technologies, will retain his responsibilities as chief executive officer.

In other executive changes, Thomas A. Nicolette will succeed Minasy as president and chief operating officer of Knogo Corporation. Nicolette served as president of Knogo North America for five years.

Willard C. (Bill) Nix Jr. has been appointed president of Knogo North America. Nix joined the company in May as senior vice president.

"These changes have been designed to capitalize on the growth Knogo has already experienced, and to help us reach our strategic long range plan," said Minasy. "The board has given us both a vote of confidence, and a mandate to be even more responsive to customers and shareholders."

Knogo's latest financial statement, issued October 10, reported a 29 percent increase in revenues for the second quarter of fiscal 1991. For the six months ended Aug. 31, 1990, revenues increased to $35,917,000, up from $32,329,000 in the comparable period of the previous year. Backlog, at an all-time high, is expected to be translated into revenues during the balance of this fiscal year.

Since 1966, Knogo Corporation has been the world's technological leader in the design and manufacture of anti-theft systems for retailers. Increasing white collar crime is expanding Knogo's potential marketplace. Its recent thrust is to apply its 25 years of experience to protecting business assets. Knogo has subsidiaries in more than 20 countries, plus manufacturing facilities in New York, Puerto Rico, Belgium and Brazil.

Knogo's radio frequency and micro-magnetic technologies, its Surveillor Closed Circuit Video Systems and its new KnoGlo Dye-Release systems, offer end-users

loss protection products for many new applications. The company's value-added philosophy allows it to solve each problem as it is presented, without being limited to supplying only mass-produced systems.

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#90312p4580 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OH (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Huffy Corporation (NYSE: HUF) announced yesterday that it had acquired from Black & Decker Corporation (NYSE: BDK) the U.S. and Canadian assets of its True Temper Hardware business and the capital stock of True Temper Limited (Ireland).

Harry A. Shaw III, chairman and chief executive officer of Huffy, stated, "We have been encouraged by our discussions with True Temper management since we signed the Purchase and Sale Agreement in early October. Larry McIsaac, president and general manager of True Temper and the employees of True Temper are a welcome addition to the Huffy organization."

Huffy Corporation is a major supplier of bicycles, juvenile and basketball products, and a nationwide supplier of assembly and inventory services to retailers.

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#90312p4582 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Chartwell Associates, L.P., reported today that it has retained Lehman Brothers to advise Chartwell on ways in which Avon can enhance shareholder value. "We have asked Lehman Brothers to recommend a plan designed to build and deliver value for all stockholders, now and over the long term," a Chartwell spokesman stated. "We have long believed Avon requires a fresh perspective. Avon's board and management stonewalled efforts to retain an independent financial advisor for the special committee, and belatedly hired an advisor only after our resignation from that committee. We felt it would be in the best interests of all stockholders to have this additional third-party, objective point of view."

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#90312p4583 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MI (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Gantos, Inc. (NASDAQ: GTOS) today reported sales of $19.1 million for the four weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990, a decrease of 2 percent from $19.4 million for the equivalent period of 1989. The company's comparable store sales for the month of October decreased 19 percent from the same period last year.

For the 39 weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990, Gantos sales increased by 12 percent to $182.2 million from $163.3 million during the same period last year. Comparable store sales for fiscal 1990 through Nov. 3 declined by 3 percent.

Gantos, Inc. is a leading retailer of quality women's wear that currently operates 167 stores in 25 states.

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#90312p4584 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Comair Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: COMR), the parent corporation of Comair, Inc., the Cincinnati and Orlando based "Delta Connection" carrier, reported that passenger boardings for October 1990 were up 28.9 percent to 173,985. RPM's increased 43.5 percent while ASM's increased 40.7 percent.

	OCTOBER		
	1990	1989	Percent Change
ASM's (000)	81,338	57,805	40.7
RPM's (000)	36,392	25,354	43.5
Load Factor	44.7 percent	43.9 percent	2.0
Passengers	173,985	134,944	28.9

	FISCAL YTD		
	1991	1990	Percent Change
ASM's (000)	539,568	367,720	46.7
RPM's (000)	235,002	173,877	35.2
Load Factor	43.6 percent	47.3 percent	-7.9
Passengers	1,134,299	921,866	23.0

	CALENDAR YTD		
	1990	1989	Percent Change
ASM's (000)	739,534	507,958	45.6
RPM's (000)	319,653	233,380	37.0
Load Factor	43.2 percent	45.9 percent	-5.9
Passengers	1,563,955	1,245,731	25.5

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#90312p4586 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Woolworth Corporation (NYSE: Z) today reported that total sales for the four weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990, rose 13.1 percent to $715 million from $632 million in the comparable year-earlier period.

Domestic sales for the four-week period increased 4.2 percent to $375 million from $360 million, and foreign sales, expressed in U.S. dollars, rose 24.9 percent. If foreign exchange rates had remained constant, foreign sales would have increased 14.7 percent and total sales would have increased 8.7 percent. Domestic comparable store sales for the four-week period rose 1.0 percent.

For the cumulative thirty-nine weeks ended November 3, total sales rose 12.4 percent to $6,806 million from $6,055 million in the corresponding year-earlier period.

Domestic sales for the thirty-nine-week period increased 7.7 percent to $3,855 million from $3,579 million, and foreign sales, expressed in U.S. dollars, rose 19.2 percent. If foreign exchange rates had remained constant, foreign sales would have increased 11.2 percent and total sales would have increased 9.2 percent. Domestic comparable store sales for the thirty-nine-week period rose 4.2 percent.

Commenting with respect to total sales, Harold E. Sells, chairman and chief executive officer, pointed out that "October's 13.1 percent gain exceeded the company's cumulative thirty-nine-week percentage gain." He noted that "continued strong sales gains generated by our German operations helped bolster weak domestic sales gains in October," adding that Woolworth's "extensive foreign operations, which give it a unique status among major United States-based retailers, help cushion the company against what appears to be a slowdown in consumer spending in the United States."

Commenting on domestic sales during October, Sells stated that "sales in our U.S. Woolworth and apparel divisions were soft, and lower than planned, due in large part to warmer-than-expected weather across most of North America." He added that, "while our Kinney operations in the United States registered total- and comparable-store sales gains, the increases were not as great as we had planned due in large part to a weak retail environment in the northeast."

As of Oct. 27, 1990, Woolworth Corporation operated a total of 8,594 stores, compared to a total of 8,120 stores on the comparable date the year before. The 8,594 stores consisted of some 6,946 specialty stores in more than 40 formats and 1,648 general merchandise stores in the United States, Canada, Germany, Australia, Belgium and the Netherlands.

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#90312p4587 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEVELAND (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of The British Petroleum Company p.l.c. of London today announced payment of a quarterly dividend which, with the addition of the tax credit and less the withholding tax described below, is worth $1.062 per American Depositary Receipt (ADR) to qualifying U.S. resident ADR holders. The record date for ADR holders is Nov. 30, 1990 with payment to be made on Feb. 7, 1991.

The current double tax convention between the U.K. and the U.S. includes provisions which entitle qualifying U.S. resident ADR holders to a refund of the 25/75 U.K. tax credit attaching to the dividend, less a 15 percent U.K. withholding tax charged on the sum of the dividend and the tax credit. The effect of these arrangements for qualifying U.S. resident ADR holders is that the tax credit raises the value of the dividend announced by the Board from $0.937 to $1.249 but the 15 percent withholding tax reduces it to $1.062 per ADR. Subject to certain limitations, the withholding tax, worth approximately $0.187 per ADR, may be treated as a foreign income tax that is eligible for credit against the ADR holder's federal income taxes.

The rate of exchange of $1.9765 to the pound used to translate BP's ordinary share dividend into U.S. dollars was that in effect at 5 p.m. London time on Nov. 7, 1990.

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#90312p4590 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
WALTHAM, MASS. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO) today reported record net income of $9,510,000 or 46 cents per share on sales of $181,484,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, compared with net income of $7,038,000 or 36 cents per share on sales of $142,293,000 for the third quarter a year ago.

For the nine-month period, net income was $24,012,000 or $1.17 per share on sales of $494,492,000, also records, compared with net income of $17,926,000 or 92 cents per share on sales of $445,074,000 a year ago.

"Strong international sales, particularly in our environmental and analytical instruments business, figured prominently in our quarterly performance," said Dr. George N. Hatsopoulos, chairman and president of Thermo Electron. "With a $408 million backlog and more than $170 million in cash and liquid investments we are continuing to pursue opportunities that will add value to our organization and sustain Thermo Electron's rate of growth."

Thermo Electron Corporation develops, manufactures and markets environmental

and analytical instruments, custom-engineered and pre-packaged cogeneration systems, industrial process equipment, biomedical materials and products, and fabricated biomedical and aerospace components. The company also provides metallurgical heat treating, water quality engineering, and analytical laboratory services.

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	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	9/29/90	9/30/89	9/29/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$181,484,000	$142,293,000	$494,492,000	$445,074,000
Income before provision for taxes	16,379,000	9,084,000	33,706,000	25,790,000
Net income	9,510,000	7,038,000	24,012,000	17,926,000
Earnings per share	46 cents	36 cents	$1.17	92 cents
Weighted average shares	20,893,000	19,819,000	20,444,000	19,579,000

----- NOTE: Financial highlights have been restated to reflect the May 30, 1990, merger between Thermo Electron Corporation and E. & M. Lamort S.A.

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#90312p4592 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BENSALEM, PA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Charming Shoppes Inc. (NASDAQ: CHRS), the retail women's apparel chain, today reported that total sales for the four weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990, increased 11 percent to $65.6 million from $58.9 million for the comparable period ended Nov. 4, 1989.

Sales for comparable stores increased five percent during October. Sales for the nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990, increased 11 percent to $629.9 million from $569.1 million for the comparable period last year. The company's year-to-date comparable store sales increased four percent.

Charming Shoppes Inc. operates 1,046 stores in 40 states, primarily under the names of "Fashion Bug" and "Fashion Bug Plus."

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#90312p4594 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDEN, COLO. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Adolph Coors Co. (NASDAQ: ACCOB) today announced record third quarter net sales for the 16 weeks ended Oct. 7, 1990. The company also reported higher earnings compared with the like 16-week

period of 1989.

Most major businesses experienced improved sales, resulting in total third quarter net sales of $607,089,000, a 4.1 percent increase, compared with net sales of $583,257,000 for the like period a year ago. Net income increased 12.1 percent to $23,538,000, or 63 cents per share, compared with $20,991,000, or 57 cents per share, a year earlier.

Net sales for the first three quarters of the year were $1,476,776,000, a 10.8 percent increase, compared with $1,332,849,000 for the like period last year. Net income for the first three quarters of 1990 increased 70.1 percent to $56,365,000, or $1.52 per share, compared with $33,057,000, or 90 cents per share, a year ago.

Coors Brewing Co., a business unit of Adolph Coors Co., shipped a record 6,291,000 barrels of beer in the third quarter. This was a 5 percent increase compared with 5,989,000 barrels shipped in the third quarter of 1989, when the Keystone and Keystone Light brands were introduced nationally.

Beer shipments for the first three quarters of 1990 were 15,102,000 barrels, a 13.5 percent increase from 13,304,000 barrels shipped in the like three quarters last year.

In explaining the strong growth in shipments, Bill Coors said, "We are particularly pleased with consumer demand for Coors Light, which is the nation's third-largest-selling beer. This brand continues to enjoy double-digit growth." Keystone and Keystone Light also contributed to increased beer sales for the quarter. "As a result," Coors added, "we have been able to achieve the highest percentage increase in beer shipments of any national brewer so far this year."

On Oct. 18, 1990, at a special meeting of shareholders of Adolph Coors Co., Class A and Class B shareholders approved restructuring the company into a holding company. The restructuring is scheduled to be effective Dec. 31, 1990 the first day of the company's 1991 fiscal year.

Other measures approved by the shareholders at the special meeting include an increase in the number of authorized shares of the company's Class B Common Stock (non-voting) from 46,200,000 shares to 100,000,000 shares and authorization of a new class of 25,000,000 shares of non-voting preferred stock. The company presently has no specific plans involving the issuance of the additional authorized Class B shares or shares of preferred stock.

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#90312p4597 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE HAVEN, PA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Electronics, Missiles & Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: ECIN) today announced the results of its second quarter of fiscal 1991 as follows:

	Fiscal 1991	Fiscal 1990
Second quarter ended	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Net sales	$2,028,619	$1,924,160
Income	40,706	52,861
Earnings per common share:		
Continuing operations	$.01	$.01
Extraordinary item	--	.01
Net income per common share	.01	.02

The variance in income is the result of higher expenditure in research and development, which will result in a new product being introduced later this fiscal year.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the order backlog was $3.5 million, up from $3 million on June 30, 1990. For the period ending Sept. 30, 1989, the backlog was $4.75 million, which included a $1.2 million contract for ITFS (Instructional Television Fixed Service) in South Carolina.

Electronics, Missiles & Communications Inc., located in White Haven, is a leading manufacturer of television transmitting equipment.

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#90312p4600 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Mathias J. DeVito, chairman, president, and chief executive officer of The Rouse Company (NASDAQ: ROUS) of Columbia, Md., today announced the elections of Anthony W. Deering and Douglas A. McGregor as executive vice presidents of the company, as part of a reorganization of senior executive responsibilities.

In his new position as executive vice president - finance and administration, Deering will continue as chief financial officer of the company and, in addition, will have responsibility for all of the company's administrative functions.

McGregor will assume responsibility for all real estate development activity in the company in his position as executive vice president - development. He will continue as director of the office and community development division of the company and general manager of Columbia as part of his development responsibilities.

Deering, 45, received a B.S. in finance from Drexel University and holds an M.B.A. from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He joined the company in 1972, and was appointed vice president and treasurer in 1975 and senior vice president and chief financial officer in 1978. Deering lives in Baltimore with his wife, Lynn, and their three children.

McGregor, 47, was awarded a B.A. from Rutgers University and a J.D. from Western Reserve University. He joined the company in 1972, and was appointed director of Land Development for Columbia in 1975 and, in 1978, senior vice president of the company and general manager of Columbia. McGregor, his wife, Karen, and their two children live in Owings Mills, Md.

Deering and McGregor join R. Harwood Beville, executive vice president - operations, as the most senior executive officers in the company reporting to DeVito.

DeVito, chief executive officer of the company since 1979 and recently reappointed by the company's board to the additional office of president following the tragic death of Michael D. Spear, indicated that he would continue in his additional position as president, stating, "The elections of Tony Deering and Doug McGregor, joining Woody Beville in the senior executive management of our company, place us in a very strong position in meeting the challenges of the 1990s.

"These three are extremely able, seasoned executives who will provide very effective leadership for our experienced senior management team in carrying out our current business plans."

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#90312p4601 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Dayton Hudson Corporation (NYSE: DH) today reported that its net retail sales for the four weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990, increased 16.7 percent to $1.13 billion from $969 million a year ago.

Comparable-store sales were up 4.1 percent on the 1990 accounting calendar. Comparable-store sales on an adjusted exact-week comparison were up 2.4 percent.

Kenneth A. Macke, Dayton Hudson chairman and chief executive officer, said the tone of business continues to show mixed results across the country.

Macke said that because of the weakened economic environment, "we were more promotional and our margins were lower than we had planned. As a result, our third quarter profits will be down from third quarter of last year.

"The most important part of our year is still ahead and our inventories are well-controlled going into the holiday season," Macke said.

October sales by business segment for the four weeks were as follows: -- Target's total sales rose 7 percent while comparable-store sales were up 2 percent. On an exact week comparison, Target's total sales were up 7 percent and comparable-store sales were up 1 percent.

-- Mervyn's total sales increased 11 percent and comparable-store sales increased 8 percent. On an exact week comparison, Mervyn's total sales were up 11 percent and comparable-store sales were up 8 percent.

-- The Department Store Division's total sales increased 62 percent and comparable-store sales were up 5 percent. On an exact week comparison, the Department Store Division's total sales were up 62 percent and comparable store sales were down 1 percent. (The total sales increase for the Department Store Division primarily reflects 4-weeks' sales from Marshall Field's; the comparable-store sales number includes Field's, this year and last.)

During the month, Target opened seven new stores in California, Indiana, Michigan and Washington. Mervyn's opened five new stores in Arizona and California and relocated one store in Texas.

The Corporation's sales for the 39 weeks ended Nov. 3 were $9.70 billion, up 13.8 percent from $8.53 billion in the same period a year ago. Comparable-store sales for the 39-week period were up 4.7 percent compared to the same period last year.

As of Nov. 3, 1990, Dayton Hudson operated 708 stores in 33 states.

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#90312p4604 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Generation 5 Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: GFIV), (G5) a pacesetter in the development of Geographic Information Systems (GIS), today announced the selection of the Geo/SQL geographic information software by the Marion County Township Assessors, of Marion County Indiana.

The 320,000 parcel Geo/SQL land base will serve as the property information system for the Indianapolis Mapping and Geographical Infrastructure System (IMAGIS).

The IMAGIS project is one of the largest and most successful multi-participant land/infrastructure information system project in the United States. Initially

the Marion county project calls for each of the nine township assessors to implement the Geo/SQL at their respective locations.

In a related event, DigiTech Systems, of Indianapolis, a member of the G5/Cartotechnical Group, was awarded the contract for management, digital map conversion, and property map digital conversion for the project.

The Marion County project marks the third time a participant of the IMAGIS project has chosen the Geo/SQL software. Indiana Gas is currently developing applications, and Indianapolis Water is well on their way to implementing the Geo/SQL system for their entire 230,000 customer water distribution system. The Generation 5 system was chosen by the Marion County project team over several competitors' GIS systems, including ESRI (Arc/Info), and Ultimap.

"Marion County has made the right choice for the GIS system," said Dan Hinckley, vice president of R&D/Marketing for Generation 5 Technology. "The combination of Geo/SQL's coordinate precision and its seamless topological database is the best system on the market for building a county assessors' GIS."

A publicly held company, Generation 5 Technology is a pacesetter in the emerging fields of Automated Mapping (AM/FM), Geographic Information Systems (GIS), and Facilities Management (FM) software systems.

The company distinguished itself by being the first to develop sophisticated computer mapping and GIS software which takes advantage of the nearly-ubiquitous AutoCAD computer graphics system; the "AutoCAD-Integrated" Geo/SQL and MunMAP GIS software environments allow low-cost desktop 386 PCs, PS/2s, and 32-bit desktop workstations to be linked with complex database applications running on mainframes and minicomputers.

DigiTech Systems is a subsidiary of R.W. Armstrong Corp. DigiTech is a full service GIS consultant providing a broad menu of services including needs analysis, request for information/quotation consultation, and preparation of implementation planning. DigiTech also provides digital map and database conversion and on-going technical support. DigiTech is headquartered in Indianapolis.

Geo/SQL and G5 are trademarks of Generation 5 Technology Inc.; AutoCAD is registered with the U.S. patent and trademark office by Autodesk Inc.; Oracle is a trademark of Oracle Inc.; Arc/Info is a trademark of ESRI.

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#90312p4608 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

(PBGC) agreed to settle for $5 million a lawsuit for breach of fiduciary responsibility filed against the M&I Marshall & Ilsley Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: MRIS) of Milwaukee (M&I). Upon receipt of cash, PBGC will release M&I from all liability to the Wheeling-Pittsburgh pension plans.

The civil lawsuit stemmed from M&I's actions, as master trustee of the Wheeling-Pittsburgh Corp. (NYSE: QWHX) pension plans, in accepting unmarketable Wheeling-Pittsburgh preferred stock in satisfaction of the company's 1981 pension funding requirements.

PBGC Executive Director James B. Lockhart said, "All pension fund trustees must act in the best interest of the participants in those funds and PBGC will vigorously pursue those who do not."

The transaction's purpose, PBGC contended, was to save cash for Wheeling-Pittsburgh, rather than to benefit its pension plan participants and beneficiaries. The agency further contended that this stock was under the circumstances existing at the time, an imprudent investment of plan assets.

PBGC also contended that acceptance of the stock, valued at $26.4 million in 1982 by Wheeling-Pittsburgh and M&I, was a violation of the prohibited transaction rules of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) because it was not valued correctly by either the named fiduciary or the trustee. Although the plans received $10 million in dividends from the stock, the plans nevertheless lost funds as a result of this transaction because a greater return could have been earned on a prudent investment.

M&I contended that it was not liable for those losses because it was a directed trustee and was following the company's instructions in accepting the stock.

PBGC is a federal agency that guarantees payment of basic retirement benefits earned by American workers participating in private-sector defined benefit pension plans. PBGC administers two insurance programs, which cover nearly 40 million workers in about 100,000 pension plans. PBGC has about $3.2 billion in assets and about $4.2 billion in liabilities.

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#90312p4610 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

WARREN, OHIO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - CSC Industries, Inc. announced today that its board of directors approved a proposed amendment to its certificate of incorporation to increase its authorized common stock to 50 million from 20 million shares. This action was taken in anticipation of a proposed series of

transactions pursuant to which CSC would sell 11.6 million shares to Daido Steel Co., Ltd., a principal stockholder of CSC, and certain investors introduced to CSC by Daido, for $14.5 million in cash, representing a price of $1.25 per share. It would also issue an additional 2.4 million shares in exchange for $3 million of indebtedness owed by Copperweld Steel Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of CSC, to Imetal, also a principal stockholder of CSC. The transactions, which were approved by the board, are subject to the execution and delivery of definitive documentation and the approval by the requisite stockholders and filing of the amendment to CSC's certificate of incorporation.

The proposed equity financing described above is in addition to the present $23.8 million capital upgrade to the company's 12 inch bar mill, which includes a new walking beam reheat furnace, new intermediate mills, and finishing stands, as well as a new sizing mill, all of which are located at its Warren, Ohio plant. The company expects to complete its present mill modifications in early December, at which time it will be capable of producing a hot rolled steel bar that will be less than one-quarter AISI standard tolerance, and will have a defect free and near decarburization free surface.

It is anticipated that the additional $14.5 million of equity would be used to finance a capital spending program designed to complement the newly modernized mill by increasing the Melt Shop teeming capacity by 18 percent and providing facilities that improve the surface inspection of billets for the mill, while at the same time inspecting internal quality of billets by the use of ultrasonic non-destructive testing methods.

The spending plan includes improvements to the company's 35 inch rolling mill complex to provide improved surface quality, material handling, and metallurgical cooling of the products of this mill.

A second non-destructive testing facility for finished bar products, as well as finishing material handling improvements for manufacturing cost reductions, are included in the plan. Application of the proceeds from the proposed equity financing would bring the total capital spending for the Warren plant of CSC Industries, Inc. to $38.3 million over an 18 month period and reaffirms Copperweld Steel's commitment to producing excellent quality for its customers.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Citicorp Information Resources Inc. (CIR), announced today that it has signed a facilities management (FM) contract with the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC). CIR will manage the data processing (DP) operations applicable to the servicing of assets the RTC

retained from the former Gibraltar Savings, Simi Valley, Calif. The one-year contract became effective Oct. 29. A Citicorp FM arrangement typically entails the on-site management of a financial institution's data processing staff, equipment and software.

The RTC assumed control of Gibraltar in March 1989. In 1990, Security Pacific Corp., Los Angeles, acquired Gibraltar's deposit base and some assets.

After performing a thorough analysis of request for proposals from facilities management providers, the RTC, with advice from Gibraltar operations staff, chose CIR to service the assets not sold to Security Pacific.

"Citicorp had all the right combinations." said Michael Harden, CIR regional sales manager. Harden explains that Citicorp has proven expertise in running the IBM mainframe-based software that the thrift had been utilizing. Citicorp will run four different systems: loans, general ledger, accounts payable, and fixed assets.

"Citicorp assured the RTC that it could come in and assume control on short notice." Harden says. In addition, Citicorp was willing to sign a short-term contract, he adds.

Citicorp Information Resources, a wholly owned subsidiary of Citicorp (NYSE: CCI), is a leading provider of a full range of data processing software system; National Service Product, an online service bureau; Facilities Management in which Citicorp operates a bank's own data center; and Resource Manager whereby Citicorp operates a bank's proprietary software at a Citicorp data center.

CONTACT: Joan Skimmons of Citicorp Information Resources, 203-351-4900, or 800-243-4222

-30- 2102

#90312p4616 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

O'FALLON, MO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Venture Stores, Inc., today reported sales of $106.7 million for the four-week period ending Nov. 3, 1990, up 12.9 percent over last year's sales. Year-to-date sales were $941.2 million, up 7.1 percent. Venture's comparable store sales increased 7.6 percent for the month and 3.3 percent year-to-date.

Venture's 1989 fiscal year included 53 weeks. Therefore, the October 1990 period began one week later than the October 1989 period. Sales for October, on an adjusted calendar basis, were up 9.8 percent with a comparable store increase of 4.7 percent.

Julian Seeherman, Venture's chairman and CEO, stated, "Sales for the month in both hardlines and apparel were strong. October's cooler weather compared to

last year's, especially during the first three weeks of the month, gave an added boost to our business. Sales were particularly strong in shoes, ladies' sportswear, housewares, and domestics."

With the opening of the Dubuque, Iowa, store this month, Venture now operates 79 quality discount retail stores in Missouri, Iowa, Illinois, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Indiana, and Kentucky.

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-30- 1388

#90312p4617 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Westbridge Capital Corp. (AMEX: WBC) an accident and health insurance holding company, today reported the following comparative consolidated results (unaudited) for the third quarter and nine months of 1990:

WESTBRIDGE CAPITAL CORP.
(Unaudited, in thousands except per share)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$14,671	$13,281	$42,936	$40,118
Net income	191	156	474	366
Net income per share	$.05	$.04	$.11	$.09
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,148	4,198	4,189	4,198

CONTACT: Michael C. Batte, chief financial officer of Westbridge Capital, 817-878-3300

-30- 973

#90312p4619 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST MILLSTONE, NJ (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Applied Bioscience International Inc. (NASDAQ: APBI) announced today that it had suspended negotiations with PharmaKinetics Laboratories concerning the proposed acquisition by APBI of PharmaKinetics' bioequivalency testing and clinical research business in North America.

Dr. Kenneth H. Harper, president and chief executive officer of APBI, stated that he believed any further negotiations between the parties would have to involve substantially different terms from those contemplated in the previously announced letter of intent between APBI and PharmaKinetics. He further stated that it was unclear at the present time whether any such further negotiations would occur.

APBI is a broadly based scientific research and development company, providing services under contract to the pharmaceutical, agrochemical, general chemical and food industries. Its wholly-owned subsidiary, ENVIRON International, provides chemical risk assessment and environmental risk management services.

CONTACT: John Timoney, vice president and CFO of Applied Bioscience, (201) 873-2550; or John McNamara of John McNamara Advertising, (212) 509-7779, for Applied Bioscience.

-30- 1394

#90312p4621 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Sales of J.C. Penney stores and catalog for the four weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990, amounted to $1,308 million, as against $1,375 million in the 1989 period. The decline amounted to 4.9 percent. On a comparable store basis, that is stores open at least a year, sales decreased 6.3 percent.

William R. Howell, chairman of the board, said that the children's division was the only area to show an overall gain for the month. He noted, however, that there were some strong performers in other merchandise categories, including women's dresses, misses' casual sportswear, and athletic footwear. He said the slide in catalog demand intensified.

Fiscal third quarter 1990 sales of J.C. Penney stores and catalog declined 2.5 percent to $3,728 million from $3,823 million in 1989. For the 39 weeks ended Oct. 27, 1990, sales increased 1.8 percent to $10,312 million from $10,132 million in the prior year. On a comparable store basis, sales were up 0.7 percent.

Sales Summary
($ in millions)

4 Weeks	Period ended Nov. 3, 1990	Period ended Nov. 4, 1989	Percent Increase(Decrease) All Units	Percent Increase(Decrease) Comparative Units
J.C. Penney stores & catalog	$1,308	$1,375	(4.9)	(6.3)
Drug stores	83	78	6.9	5.2
Total company	$1,391	$1,453	(4.3)	(5.8)

13 Weeks	Fiscal Period ended Oct. 27, 1990	Fiscal Period ended Oct. 28, 1989	Percent Increase(Decrease) All Units	Percent Increase(Decrease) Comparative Units
J.C. Penney stores				
Metropolitan market stores	$2,995	$3,061	(2.2)	(3.2)
Geographic market stores	553	561	(1.6)	(3.4)
Total	3,548	3,622	(2.0)	(3.2)

Catalog	797	850	(6.3)	
Intracompany elimination	(617)	(649)	Total J.C. Penney	
stores & catalog	3,728	3,823	(2.5)	(3.6)
Drug stores	267	238	12.0	7.9
Total company	$3,995	$4,061	(1.6)	(2.9)
39 weeks J.C. Penney stores				
Metropolitan market stores	$8,319	$8,181	1.7	0.7
Geographic market stores	1,524	1,479	2.9	1.3
Total	9,843	9,660	1.9	0.8
Catalog	2,238	2,175	2.9	
Intracompany elimination	(1,769)	(1,703)	Total J.C. Penney	
stores & catalog	10,312	10,132	1.8	0.7
Drug stores	793	708	12.0	8.2
Total company	$11,105	$10,840	2.4	1.1

CONTACT: Enid Stepner of J.C. Penney, 214-591-1330

-30- 3100

#90312p4622 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) today announced that its 1990 holiday marketing program will recognize the diversity of the traditions and values of the people that make up the population surrounding its 2,300 stores.

The program, "Around the Tree, Around the Country -- A Family Tradition," will highlight the traditional values that are returning to the country for the '90s.

The program represents a significant change from Kmart's programs of the last two years, which centered around a coffee table book and a made-for-television special.

"We felt it was time for a program that depicted the beliefs of our customers " said Mike Wellman, vice president of marketing. "Our research shows that there is a return to traditional values and an interest in family. We feel our graphics and slogan capture this growing sentiment."

The Illustration, that will be prominently displayed in all Kmart signage, advertising circulars and magazine ads, will feature three children holding hands around a Christmas tree with the heading "Around the Tree, Around the Country." The graphic captures the whimsical appeal of Christmas and translates the diverse, but uniting traditions that make Christmas in the United States a special experience.

The campaign officially kicks off Nov. 11 when the store signage will be unveiled. A local flavor will be added Nov. 30 when Kmart stores around the country invite groups to the store to demonstrate their talents, skills or

crafts that is representative of a section of the local community on Friday and Saturday nights until Christmas Eve.

The holiday magazine advertising will begin carrying the message on Nov. 11 and the national advertising circular will include it in its Nov. 18 distribution.

Kmart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the U.S., Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,336 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Sports Authority, Waldenbooks and PACE Membership Warehouse Clubs.

CONTACT: Teri L. Kula of Kmart, 313-643-5831

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#90312p4623 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert L. Kirk, president and chief executive officer of CSX Transportation Inc., today announced the appointment of Donald D. Davis as senior vice president-employee relations.

Davis, who previously served as senior vice president-human resources for CSX Corporation, will assume responsibilities for both labor relations and human resources at the railroad, Kirk said.

"I am pleased to have a man of Don's proven abilities as a leader in labor negotiations and human resources to assist CSX Transportation as we look forward to a challenging decade in managing our most important asset, our people," Kirk said.

Bringing human resources and labor relations together under Davis "will be of enormous value to CSX Transportation as we search for ways to integrate these vital functions in order to better serve all of our employees," Kirk said.

Joel W. Warner, vice president-human resources, and H. Gerry Anderson, vice president-labor relations, will report to Davis as part of the organizational realignment.

In September, the railroad announced that John L. Sweeney, executive vice president and head of labor relations, would be focusing his attention on the completion of the current national round of rail labor negotations. Following completion of these negotiations, Sweeney will continue his association with CSX as a consultant.

Davis, 51, joined CSX Corporation in Richmond, Va., in 1986 as vice president-human resources, after serving for nine years with Wilson Foods as executive vice president. He worked previously in human resources and labor relations with Ryder System and Mobil Oil Corporation.

CSX Transporation Inc., and its 36,000 employees provide customers with rail transportation and distribution services over a 19,200 route-mile network in 20 states, the District of Columbia and Ontario, Canada.

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#90312p4632 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBUQUERQUE, NM (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Diagnostek, Inc. (NYSE: DXK), today announced net earnings of $2.2 million or $.11 per share on revenues of $55.0 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 41 percent over net earnings for the same period in 1989 of $1.5 million and earnings per share increased 38 percent over that of the same period in 1989 of $.08. Net earnings for the first six months of this fiscal year of $4.2 million have increased 44 percent over the comparable period in 1989 of $2.9 million.

Diagnostek has experienced substantial growth in revenues thus far in 1990 as revenues for the quarter increased $20.7 million or 60 percent over the same period in 1989 from $34.3 million in 1989 to $55.0 million in 1990. Revenues year to date have increased $43.8 million or 78 percent over the same period last year from $56.3 million last year to $100.1 million this year. The growth in revenues for the quarter is largely attributable to the addition of EPIC Health Group, Inc., a mail service prescription drug provider acquired effective July 30, 1990, as well as growth in revenues of Health Care Services Inc., Diagnostek's mail service prescription drug provider. Further, the large year to date increase in revenues is due primarily to the addition of HPI Health Care Services, Inc., in August 1989, resulting in six months of revenue in the current year compared to two months of revenue for the same period last year.

Nunzio DeSantis, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated, "We are very happy with our recent acquisitions in the mail service pharmacy business. These additions plus the growth of our existing book of business continues our trends of increasing revenues, profitability and value to our shareholders."

CONTACT: Dennis Evans or Vince Villanueva of Diagnostek, 505-345-8080; or Julius Golden of Group West, 505-883-6940, for Diagnostek

-30- 2165

#90312p4633 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Precision Galvanizing Inc. announced today that it has completed the acquisition of certain land, buildings and equipment at H.H. Robertson's (NYSE: RHH) manufacturing facility in Ambridge, Pa.

The purchase includes steel galvanizing equipment and some 17 acres of land or approximately 53 percent of the total Robertson manufacturing site in Ambridge. The purchase will also include some 290,000 square feet of building space, including the building which contains H.H. Robertson's existing coating operation. H.H. Robertson will lease back the building and continue to operate the coating line. The galvanizing operation, which for a number of years supplied H.H. Robertson's internal needs, discontinued operation in 1989.

"We are pleased that we have finally completed this important acquisition," Howell A. Breedlove, president and chief executive officer noted. "We could not have done it without the full cooperation of H.H. Robertson, United Steelworkers of America, Beaver County and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and, of course, our principal lender, Pittsburgh National Bank.

"We expect to begin operations at the facility on Thursday, Nov. 8, with full start-up of the galvanizing line on Tuesday, Nov. 13. The response to our marketing program has been gratifying and we expect to have sufficient customer orders to commence operations next week," Breedlove said.

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-30- 1678
#90312p4639 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER, COLO. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Presidio Oil Company (AMEX: PRS.A) today reported net earnings of $2,071,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to a net loss of $4,695,000 for the similar 1989 period, as higher average oil prices and greatly increased production resulted in revenues of $31,991,000 for the current quarter compared to revenues of $16,041,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Earnings per share for the 1990 third quarter were $0.07 for the company's Class A common stock and $0.05 for its Class B common stock, while in the third quarter of 1989, the loss attributable to the Class A and B stock was $0.36 and $0.39 per share, respectively, after preferred dividends.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Presidio's revenues increased to $86,266,000 compared to revenues of $53,949,000 for the similar period in 1989. The company's net loss for the period declined to $7,544,000 vis-a-vis a loss of $11,676,000 for the 1989 first nine months. The loss was $0.28 per share of Class A common stock and $0.36 per share of Class B common stock for the first nine months of 1990, as compared to $1.09 per Class A share and $1.17 per Class B share for the similar 1989 periods.

Presidio's net operating cash flow for the 1990 nine month period was $33,305,000, representing the loss of $7,544,000 as adjusted for non-cash charges. For the first nine months of 1989, Presidio's net operating cash

flow was $11,402,000. For the third quarter of 1990, net operating cash flow was $14,722,000 compared to $3,155,000 for the similar 1989 period.

The company's production of oil and condensate was 826,000 barrels during the 1990 third quarter, 157 percent higher than the 1989 third quarter production of 321,000 barrels. Gas production for the comparable periods increased 48 percent to 6.0 billion cubic feet (BCF) from 4.1 BCF last year. The average prices received for the third quarter were $23.15 per barrel and $1.55 per thousand cubic feet (MCF) this year, vis-a-vis $18.18 per barrel and $1.79 per MCF in 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, Presidio produced 2,517,000 barrels of oil and 16.96 BCF of gas, compared to 1,190,000 barrels and 13.53 BCF during the comparable 1989 period.

Presidio Oil Company is an independent oil and gas company engaged in onshore oil and gas exploration, development and production in the continental United States, primarily in Wyoming, North Dakota, Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, New Mexico and West Virginia. Presidio also gathers, transports and markets gas through its gathering systems in Wyoming and West Virginia. Presidio's securities are traded on the American Stock Exchange and the London International Exchange under the symbols PRS.A and PRS.B.

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#90312p4642 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, N.J. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC), the federally-created receiver of City Federal Savings Bank, is being sued by property owners in Bedminster (Somerset County, N.J.), claiming RTC overstepped its statutory authority when it ignored leases City Federal had for a bank in their office building and a drive-up bank branch on the same site.

According to the court papers, filed late Wednesday in U.S. District Court, MFD Bedminster Associates, which owns the building at Routes 202 and 206 where City Federal Savings Bank was formerly located, closed on the sale with City Federal Savings in September 1987. The property, including an office building a free-standing banking branch office, and a parking lot, was purchased by MFD for $36 million. At the same time, two leases were executed with City Federal: one for nearly 29,000 square feet in the office building for a bank and the other for the bank branch building.

For nearly two years, City Federal Savings operated at the site and paid rent, as agreed upon: $693,288 annually on the office space for the initial seven-year term and $1 (sic) each year during the initial ten- year term for the drive-up, after which the annual rent for the drive-up would be equal to the "prevailing fair market rental for comparable space in the Bedminster

area."

In December 1989, the U.S. Department of Treasury Office of Thrift Supervision declared City Federal insolvent and ordered the institution closed. OTS named RTC receiver for City Federal and also created a new federal savings association, City Savings, and appointed RTC as its conservator.

RTC was then required by law to either "affirm or disaffirm" the lease transactions which were in effect. In January, RTC advised MFD that it would be cancelling the September 1987 lease. The offices were vacated, but the drive-up has continued operating, according to MFD.

Since March, MFD has been advising RTC that it is in default of the lease both by failing to pay the rent and by abandoning the office premises. MFD said it wasn't until May, however, that counsel for RTC advised MFD that the intention was only to cancel the office lease and not the drive-up.

CONTACT: Ilene Dorf of the Marcus Group, 201-902-9000, for Wolff & Samson

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#90312p4643 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) today announced two new promotions for the holiday season.

Kmart customers will be $1 million richer because of a unique promotion taking place in Kmart stores nationally the Saturday after Thanksgiving (Nov. 24) to kick off the holiday season.

Each Kmart store will give away a minimum of $400 in Kmart gift certificates to four lucky Kmart shoppers.

An entry form for the local drawings will be printed in the Kmart circular on Friday, Nov. 23. Entry blanks and contest details and rules will also be available in Kmart stores on Nov. 24.

"It's the biggest promotion of its kind ever at Kmart," said Mike Wellman, vice president marketing.

Kmart customers will also have the opportunity to win one of six expense-paid trips in a "Family Traditions" sweepstakes including: Valentine's Day in San Francisco, Fourth of July in Washington, D.C., and New Year's Day at the Rose Bowl.

Sweepstakes entry forms will be available in Kmart electronics departments Dec. 2 through Dec. 24. Other prizes include stereos, compact disc players, VCRs and compact discs.

CONTACT: Teri L. Kula of Kmart Corporation, 313-643-5831

-30- 1371
#90312p4644 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. PAUL, MINN. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines will begin daily nonstop service Dec. 15, linking Minneapolis/St. Paul with Steamboat Springs, Colo., and Fort Myers, Fla.

Northwest flights to Steamboat Springs will depart the Twin Cities at 11:40 a.m. and arrive in Colorado at 1:03 p.m. Return service will leave Steamboat's Yampa Valley Regional Airport at 2:05 p.m. and arrive in the Twin Cities at 5:05 p.m. The airline will use 146-seat Boeing 727 aircraft on the flights, which will continue through March 31.

Northwest's nonstop service between Minneapolis/St. Paul and Fort Myers, Fla., begins Dec. 15 and increases to two daily flights Dec. 20. Starting Dec. 15, flights depart the Twin Cities at 8 a.m. and arrive at Fort Myers at 12:17 p.m. Return service leaves Southwest Florida Regional Airport at 4 p.m. and arrives in the Twin Cities at 6:35 p.m.

Starting Dec. 20, a second daily flight leaves the Twin Cities at 1 p.m. and arrives at Fort Myers at 5:15 p.m., with return service departing Fort Myers at 8 a.m. and arriving in Minneapolis/St. Paul at 10:37 a.m. The second daily round trip will run through Jan. 7, then resume Feb. 15. Northwest will provide service on 118- and 146-seat 727s.

With the seasonal buildup, Northwest will operate nonstop service from Minneapolis/St. Paul to 68 destinations.

CONTACT: Doug Miller or Bob Gibbons, of Northwest Airlines, 612-726-2331

-30- 1615
#90312p4646 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
CINCINNATI (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - A special preview screening of the Omnimax(R) film "Blue Planet" will be shown on Nov. 9, at 10 a.m. in the Robert D. Lindner Family Omnimax Theater at the Museum Center at Cincinnati Union Terminal.

"Blue Planet," the Omnimax Theater's first film, will open the theater to the public on Nov. 10. The Omnimax Theater is one of a few select theaters to preview "Blue Planet" before its official premiere at the Smithsonian Institution's IMAX(R) Theater in Washington, D.C., on Nov. 16.

Filmgoers will float through space, soar over the Amazon and plunge to unexplored depths when viewing "Blue Planet." The state-of-the-art sight and sound capabilities of the Omnimax Theater will surround the theater with an

experience that, until now, has been shared only by astronauts.

A question and answer period will follow the 42-minute Omnimax film. Several key personnel will be available for information about "Blue Planet" and the Omnimax Theater itself: Astronaut David Walker, commander of a shuttle mission in which "Blue Planet" footage was filmed; Fred Klinkhammer, president and CEO of Imax Systems Corporation, which produced "Blue Planet" and handles its worldwide distribution; David Duszynski, Omnimax theater director; and Jim Kral, chief projectionist.

Seating within the Omnimax Theater is limited, so R.S.V.P. by Nov. 8, to Mary Kaye Kennedy of Sive Associates, (513) 421-3000.

CONTACT: Mary Kaye Kennedy of Sive Associates, (513) 421-3000, for the Museum Center at Cincinnati Union Terminal.

-30- 1745

#90312p4650 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The May Department Stores Company (NYSE: MA) today reported preliminary sales from continuing operations were $708.6 million for the four-week period ended Nov. 3, an increase of 1.1 percent from sales of $700.8 million in the same period last year.

Year-to-date sales for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 were $6.75 billion up 8.2 percent from sales of $6.24 billion reported in the similar year-ago period.

Department store sales for October were $604.3 million, up 0.3 percent or $2 million from last year. Sales for Volume Shoe totaled $104.3 million, an increase of 5.9 percent or $5.8 million.

Sales were as follows:

OCTOBER SALES (Millions)

	1990	1989	Percent Increase	Store-for-Store(A) Percent Decrease
Department stores	$604.3	$602.3	0.3	(4.8)
Volume Shoe	104.3	98.5	5.9	(1.7)
Total	708.6	700.8	1.1	(4.4)

YEAR-TO-DATE SALES (Millions)

	1990	1989	Pct. Increase	Store-for-Store(A) Pct. Increase
Department stores	$5,709.9	$5,309.5	7.5	2.9
Volume Shoe	1,041.5	931.6	11.8	4.5
Total	6,751.4	6,241.1	8.2	3.2

(A) -- Store-for-store sales represent sales of those stores open during both years.

The company's 1989 fiscal year included 53 weeks and, based on the 4-5-4 reporting calendar, the October 1990 period began one week later than the October 1989 period. On an adjusted basis aligning the 1989 calendar to 1990, sales would have been:

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-30- 2029

#90312p4651 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

WARRINGTON, PA. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - American Travellers Corp. (NASDAQ: ATVC) today announced its financial results for the company's third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

During the period, revenues increased 77.1 percent to $20.84 million from $11.77 million in the respective quarter of 1989. For the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, total revenues increased 77.4 percent to $57.99 million from $32.69 million for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1989. Net income during the company's 1990 third quarter increased 81.1 percent to $3.08 million from $1.70 million in the corresponding 1989 period and for the first nine months of 1990, net income increased 92.6 percent to $8.4 million from $4.37 million during the first nine months of 1989. The company's earnings per share increased 43.4 percent to 33 cents for the third quarter of 1990 from 23 cents during the third quarter of 1989, which includes an increase of 28.6 percent n the company's outstanding weighted shares, and for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, earnings per share increased 70 percent to $1.02 from 60 cents in the corresponding Sept. 30, 1989, period.

According to American Travellers' chairman of the board, John A. Powell, "Our third quarter of 1990 was one of the most exciting and gratifying quarters to date. We have been able to continue our growth without sacrificing our bottom line. We are very optimistic about the future growth of the company and we are continually making strides to improve our products and service to enhance our position in the marketplace."

American Travellers Corp. is engaged through its subsidiaries in the underwriting and sale of individual supplemental accident and health insurance policies primarily covering long-term care (skilled, intermediate and custodial nursing home care). The company also offers hospital care and Medicare supplement policies. The company, which has been admitted to 36 states plus the District of Columbia and the U.S. Virgin Islands, has pending license applications in eight additional states.

CONTACT: John A. Powell, chairman of American Travellers, 215-343-1000

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#90312p4652 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Mizlou Communications Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: MZLUL, MZLU), today disclosed that it is negotiating with several cable industry and non-industry entities interested in investing in or forming a joint venture arrangement with Mizlou's Sports News Network (SNN).

Mark Wenzel, chief financial officer, stated, "These entities are discussing various options with us because of the unprecedented growth pattern achieved by SNN. In the past eight months, SNN has signed cable affiliation agreements totalling 18 million homes in 15 of the top 20 major television markets, and attracted over 50 major national advertisers."

Mizlou also announced that SNN production management has streamlined its staff and refocused its manpower at its new state-of-the-art broadcast studio in Edison, N.J. This reflects SNN's goal to create a more responsive sports news organization.

Kevin Roach, senior coordinating producer for SNN, commented, "Simply put, the new facility is less labor intensive. We will continue to deliver live reports each half hour throughout the day and night of the latest sports news, stories and up-to-the-minute scores as they happen." Mizlou's Sports News Network is the nation's only 24-hour, seven-days-a-week sports cable news network.

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WOBURN, MASS. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermedics Inc. (AMEX: TMD) is creating a wholly owned subsidiary that will be responsible for the manufacturing and marketing of Thermedics' explosives- and drug-detection devices and for providing drug-detection services.

The new subsidiary, Thermedetec Inc., will focus on the EGIS(R) and SecurScan(tm) explosives-detection systems and the Sentor(tm) drug-detection device. The EGIS is is a portable device for detecting explosives in luggage vehicles, and other likely places of concealment; the SecurScan is a passenger-screening system; and the Sentor is a portable device for detecting trace amounts of heroin, cocaine, and methamphetamines.

John W. Wood Jr. will be appointed chairman and Louis S. Slaughter president of the new corporation. John Wood is president of Thermedics, a subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO), and has headed that company since 1984. Before joining Thermedics, Wood was president of Eberline Instrument Corporation, another Thermo Electron subsidiary. Wood holds a B.S. degree in electrical engineering from Louisiana Polytechnic Institute and an M.S. in electrical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

In accepting this new position, Lou Slaughter is being transferred after recent assignments as president of TPS Technologies Inc. Services Division, and, previously as president of Napco, Inc., both subsidiaries of Thermo Electron. Before joining Thermo Electron, he was with the Dual group of companies, wholly owned by Bechtel Investments Inc., where he was vice president of finance and was in charge of western U.S. and international operations. Slaughter received a B.E. in mechanical engineering from the University of New South Wales and an M.B.A. from the Harvard Business School.

Slaughter, in commenting on his new assignment, said, "I am pleased to join the effort to bring Thermedics' detection technology to the marketplace. These systems address two critical problems of our time: the threat of terrorism and the flow of illegal drugs. There are tremendous opportunities worldwide for Thermedetec's detection devices."

Thermedics develops, manufactures and markets biomaterials, biomedical products, analytical instruments, and explosives- and drug-detection devices, and provides analytical laboratory services. Thermedics is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation.

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#90312p4661 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) today reported a sales increase of 11.2 percent for October 1990 over sales during the same period of last year. Consolidated sales for the four-week period ended Oct. 31, 1990, amounted to $2,342,226,000 vs. sales of $2,106,662,000 for the four weeks ended Nov. 1, 1989.

Sales for the 39 weeks ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $22,322,139,000, up 11.8 percent from the $19,958,435,000 for the first 39 weeks of 1989.

Kmart Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Joseph E. Antonini said, "Our hardlines business in October was in line with the year-to-date trend, despite a weakening economy. Our apparel business during the month was clearly affected by weather patterns. During much of October, unseasonably warm weather prevailed over much of the country, and this caused weakness in apparel sales. Good comparable store sales gains were achieved by our specialty store businesses."

Kmart Corporation serves America with more than 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,335 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse Clubs and The Sports Authority.

Kmart Corporation's stock is listed on the New York, Pacific, Midwest and Tokyo stock exchanges. Its trading symbol is KM.

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MONTVALE, NJ (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - North American Ventures, Inc. (NASDAQ: NAVI) announced today its results of operations for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income and income from continuing operations were $1,014,000, or 4 cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with income from continuing operations of $174,000, or 1 cent per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net income and income from continuing operations for the first nine months of 1990 were $2,826,000, or 11 cents per share, compared with a net loss from continuing operations of $1,715,000, or 7 cents per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net sales of NAVI from the operations of its wholly owned subsidiary, Butler Service Group, Inc., were $72.0 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were 7 percent below the $77.1 million sales for the third quarter 1989.

Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $235.5 million, 7 percent higher than the $219.6 million sales for the first nine months of 1989.

Third quarter sales were down principally from a decrease in billable headcount and billable hours as clients in certain industries have been impacted by the weakening economy and uncertainties about defense spending.

At the same time, operating income was substantially maintained through higher billing rates than a year ago and by the favorable completion of certain contracts with higher profit margins.

Net income and income from continuing operations also benefited from significantly lower interest charges as a result of both reduced debt levels and lower interest rates than a year ago.

The 1989 results included both continuing and discontinued operations. The net loss in 1989 for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 of $13.9 million and $11.7 million, respectively, was primarily the loss from discontinued operations from the sale of Butler Aviation and Buxton assets.

Edward M. Kopko, chairman of the board and president of NAVI, stated, "We are

pleased to report another profitable quarter with earnings consistent with management's plans. The company has also been actively implementing its strategic plan during the quarter as announced previously."

Butler Service Group, Inc., NAVI's principal operating subsidiary, is a leading domestic and international contract technical services and telecommunications services company.

It is principally engaged in the location, recruitment, and hiring of a wide variety of skilled engineers and technical personnel to provide services, on a temporary basis, to industrial corporations and other organizations throughout the U.S. and abroad.

NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES, INC. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS
(in thousands except share and per share data) (Unaudited)

Three months ended:	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$72,025	$77,136
Cost of services sold	66,861	72,040
Income from operations	1,269	1,395
Income (loss) from continuing operations	1,014	174
(Loss) from discontinued operations	---	(14,103)
Net income (loss)	1,014	(13,929)
Income (loss) per share:		
Continuing operations	4 cents	1 cent
Discontinued operations	---	(54 cents)
Net income (loss)	4 cents	(53 cents)
Average shares outstanding	25,632,228	26,169,447

Nine months ended:	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$235,500	$219,638
Cost of services sold	219,709	206,003
Income from operations	4,053	680
Income (loss) from continuing operations	2,826	(1,715)
(Loss) from discontinued operations	---	(9,989)
Net income (loss)	2,826	(11,704)
Income (loss) per share:		
Continuing operations	11 cents	(7 cents)
Discontinued operations	---	(38 cents)
Net income (loss)	11 cents	(45 cents)
Average shares outstanding	25,895,100	26,169,447

SELECTED BALANCE SHEET INFORMATION

(in thousands except share and per share data)

	9/30/90 (Unaudited)	12/31/89
Total current assets	$59,141	$59,015
Total assets	88,824	89,892
Total current liabilities	29,475	29,130
Total liabilities	46,511	49,655
Stockholders' equity	42,313	40,237
Book value per share	$1.65	$1.52
Issued & outstanding shares	25,576,294	26,546,894

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#90312p4668 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Jaclynn Carroll has been appointed senior creative director of Calvin Klein Cosmetics Company, it was announced by Kim Delsing, president and chief executive officer. She will be responsible for all creative design activities worldwide and reports to Carmen Dubroc, senior vice president of marketing.

Carroll will oversee all creative design functions for the company's Obsession Obsession For Men, Eternity and Eternity For Men fragrance brands, as well as for a new fragrance brand scheduled to debut in 1991.

Carroll served most recently as a principle in her own design consulting firm. Before that, she was director of graphic design of Walker Group/CNI, a New York-based international design firm whose clients include FAO Schwarz, Godiva Chocolatiers, Cosmair and Bloomingdale's. Prior to that, Carroll was senior art director at Chillingworth/Radding, Inc., a New York-based advertising firm.

Calvin Klein Cosmetics Company, the New York-based manufacturer of Calvin Klein fragrances, including Calvin, Obsession, Obsession For Men, Eternity and Eternity For Men, is a unit of Unilever United States, Inc., the Anglo-Dutch Unilever Group's holding company for businesses within the United States.

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#90312p4672 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Vishay Intertechnology Inc. (NYSE: VSH) reported a 25 percent increase in net earnings before unusual charge on a 7 percent increase in sales for the third quarter of calendar 1990, Dr. Felix Zandman, chairman and chief executive officer, announced today.

In the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales increased by 7 percent to

$106,023,000 compared to $98,894,000 in the year earlier period. Net earnings were $4,543,000 or $.33 per share compared with $4,770,000 or $.38 per share in the previous year's quarter, a decrease of 5 percent and 13 percent in net earnings and earnings per share, respectively. However, net earnings would have increased by approximately 25 percent and net earnings per share would have increased by approximately 11 percent except for the effect of an unusual charge.

In the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales increased by 8 percent to $335,405,000 compared with $311,064,000 in the year-earlier period. Net earnings were $17,426,000 or $1.32 per share compared with $13,002,000 or $1.05 per share in the year earlier period while net earnings would have increased by approximately 39 percent and earnings per share would have increased by approximately 31 percent exclusive of unusual charges.

Commenting on the third quarter results, Zandman stated: "Net earnings included the negative effect of the previously announced settlement with the U.S. Government related to our Dale Electronics subsidiary which was somewhat offset by a one time options gain." The effect of this unusual charge reduced earnings per share for the quarter by $.09.

Zandman noted that "without the unusual charge, net earnings for the quarter would have increased by approximately 25 percent from the comparable quarter of the prior year, making it the second year in a row that the company has outperformed its previous third quarter by approximately 25 percent. This continues the profit momentum which started in 1989."

Zandman also noted that "cost reductions in selling and administrative areas from the consolidation of sales operations in Europe contributed to the increase in operating results for the quarter. Furthermore, with the proceeds of our recent successful common stock offering, we decreased long-term debt by approximately $35 million which will reduce interest expense in the future. Our debt to equity ratio has substantially improved and is now at .85 to 1." In addition, the company has cash reserves of approximately $29 million.

Vishay Intertechnology Inc. is a leading U.S. and European producer of a wide range of electronic resistors and resistive sensors. It also is a major producer of other types of passive electronic components. The company's products are used in a broad range of industries.

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#90312p4674 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, CALIF. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Ross Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ROST) today reported sales of $52 million for the four-week period ended Nov. 3, 1990, a 2

percent increase above the $51 million in sales for the four weeks ended Nov. 4, 1989. Comparable store sales for the same period were down 9 percent from the prior year.

Third quarter sales for the 13 weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990, were $186 million, a 4 percent increase above $178 million in sales for the 13 weeks ended Nov. 4, 1989. Comparable store sales for the same period were down 7 percent from the prior year.

For the nine months through Nov. 3, 1990, sales were $551 million, a 7 percent increase above the $515 million in sales for the prior year's comparable period ended Nov. 4, 1989. Comparable store sales for the nine month period were down 4 percent on a day-for-day basis from last year.

In commenting on sales for the month of October, Norman A. Ferber, President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "During 1990, the chain-wide grand opening celebration for our 16 new stores is taking place during the first week of November. Last year, this chain-wide event occurred during the last week of October. This shift contributed in part to our disappointing sales performance this past month."

Ross Stores Inc. operates a national chain of off-price retail stores offering first quality, in-season, branded apparel and apparel-related merchandise for the entire family. The company had 175 stores in operation at Nov. 3, 1990, compared to 147 stores at the end of the same period last year.

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#90312p4676 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - United Buying Service International, Inc. (NASDAQ: UNBS) today issued its financial results for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company is pleased to announce its first quarterly profit since going public in March 1988.

Income per share for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $.003 per share as compared to a loss per share of $(.06) for the comparable period of the prior year.

The increase was attributable to an increase in the sale of the company's enhancement products.

UNITED BUYING SERVICE INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Three Months Ended

9/30/90 9/30/89

Net sales	$396,052	$351,731
Net income (loss)	$10,241	$(228,435)
Income (loss) per share	$.003	$(.06)
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,947,025	3,947,025

In other matters, the company announced that it will hold its Annual Shareholder Meeting on Dec. 11, 1990.

For further information, please contact Arthur W. Levine (vice president of finance) or Harvey S. Selenow (president), at 2770 Summer Street, Stamford, Conn. 06905, 203-967-2883.

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#90312p4677 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - In releasing the following earnings report today, J. Douglas Cagle, president of Cagle's Inc. (AMEX: CGLA), stated that while the company had enjoyed a profitable quarter and six-month period, the outlook for the next several months was expected to be difficult.

Mr. Cagle maintained that persistent expansion throughout the industry and a declining economy were the reasons for this outlook, however, he indicated that he was confident that Cagle's was in a good position to weather the expected economic downturn.

(In Thousands Except Per Share Amounts)

	13 wks.	13 wks.
Period ended	9/29/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$51,370	$48,336
Net income	$ 559	$ 322
Net income per common share	$ .25	$ .14
Weighted average shares outstanding during period	2,257	2,276
	26 wks.	26 wks.
Period ended	9/29/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$98,550	$97,960
Net income	$ 1,383	$ 2,248
Net income per common share	$ .61	$ .98
Weighted average shares outstanding during period	2,265	2,276

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#90312p4678 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Foods Corporation (NYSE/PSE: UFC) today announced record performance for fiscal 1990, ended Sept. 30. Net earnings before unusual items were up 21 percent to $48,193,000 from $39,962,000 last year. Earnings per share, at $1.90, were up 19 percent from the $1.60 reported last year. Earnings per share have grown at a compounded rate of 25 percent per year since 1984. Including unusual items -- net gain from the sale of the Cheese Division and the redeployment, disposition and reduction in carrying value of certain assets -- net earnings for fiscal 1990 were $49,415,000 or $1.95 per share.

Revenue of $838,886,000, essentially unchanged from $837,255,000 in 1989, included $115,157,000 from the Cheese Division prior to its divestiture in April. Excluding the revenue contribution from the Cheese Division in both 1989 and 1990 would result in a 13 percent gain in revenue for 1990.

Net earnings in the fourth quarter increased 18 percent to $13,944,000 from $11,794,000 reported last year. Earnings per share were $.55, up 17 percent compared with $.47 per share in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Fourth quarter revenue was $196,938,000, down from the $228,171,000 reported for the same quarter in 1989 as a result of the sale of the Cheese Division.

In making the announcement, Guy A. Osborn, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Fiscal 1990 was another year of excellent results; credit for that performance goes to our employees. Return on average shareholders' equity improved once again -- above the 20 percent level -- and operating margins were very strong. Our shareholders received the benefit of that performance through a 23 percent increase in the value of Universal Foods stock in fiscal 1990.

"We are confident Universal Foods is in a position to realize additional, noteworthy performance improvements in 1991 based on the investments in product development, plant and people the company has made over the last several years."

Universal Foods is an international manufacturer and marketer of value-added food products. These include food flavors, food colors, the world's most diversified lines of frozen potato and yeast products, and dehydrated vegetables.

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#90312p4680 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, NJ (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines today unveiled the prototype for its new aircraft interior design at its Newark hub and announced it would be gauging customer and flight crew response to the design.

The aircraft interior, installed in a Boeing 737 which goes into service this week, will visit U.S. and international markets and be seen by thousands of customers. Following a review of the research findings a finalized interior will be installed in all Continental aircraft.

The new interior design of the aircraft was created exclusively for Continental Airlines. The material and color scheme have been custom designed using dark, blue and gray which best reflect classic aviation colors.

According to Lisser, the new interior design reflects a major advance in the airline industry and sets a new standard in relaxation and comfort for passengers.

The unique seat contours are finished with custom upholstery covers of the highest quality. Leather is used for first class seat upholstery and to cover many vertical surfaces.

The prototype was designed by Lippincott & Margulies, under the direction of Frank Spadaro. Many Continental employees contributed to the success of the project.

Continental Airlines is Newark International Airport's largest carrier, moving 10 million passengers annually through the complex on its 303 daily jet and commuter flights. The company employs more than 6,000 workers in New Jersey and 37,000 systemwide. Continental currently flies to 65 destinations from Newark.

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#90312p4681 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARVEY, IL (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Bliss & Laughlin Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: BLIS) today reported net income of $292,000, or 7 cents per share, for the fourth fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This was an increase of 48 percent over $197,000, or 8 cents per share, on a lower number of shares outstanding for the 1989 period. Net revenues were $31,585,000, up 32 percent over $23,873,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $225,000, or 7 cents per share, compared to net income of $1,624,000, or 72 cents per share, a year earlier. Revenues for the year rose 10.6 percent to $116,648,000 from $105,476,000.

Per share results for the 1990 fourth fiscal quarter are based on 3,970,000 average shares outstanding, up 65 percent from 2,410,000 shares a year

earlier. The increased number of shares reflects the sale of 1,559,759 common shares to Stelco Inc. on May 11, 1990, for which Stelco paid $18.7 million in cash, or $12 per share. In turn, Bliss & Laughlin Industries acquired the assets of Stelco's Canadian Drawn Steel business unit for $12.4 million in cash.

Gregory H. Parker, chairman and chief executive officer, said shipments in the 1990 fourth quarter, historically the company's slowest period, were up significantly over the year earlier period.

According to Parker, the results for the 1990 fiscal year were adversely affected by higher than anticipated start-up costs at the company's new Cartersville, Ga., facility and highly competitive pricing.

Bliss & Laughlin Industries experienced lower interest expense in the 1990 fourth fiscal quarter. This was the result of the use of the $6.3 million net proceeds from the Stelco transaction to pay down outstanding debt and its new financing agreement with The Northern Trust Company.

Headquartered in Harvey, Ill., Bliss & Laughlin Industries Inc. is a manufacturer of cold finished steel bars, producing the widest range of grades sizes and shapes in the industry.

BLISS & LAUGHLIN INDUSTRIES INC. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL REPORT
(In thousands except per share)

Three months ended Sept. 30:	1990(A)	1989
Net revenues	$31,585	$23,873
Income before taxes and tax benefit of operating loss carryback	589	374
Provisions for income taxes	(186)	177
Net income before reversal of tax benefit of operating loss carryback	775	197
Reversal of tax benefit of operating loss carryback	(483)	--
Net income	292	197
Net income per share	.07	.08
Average shares outstanding	3,970	2,410

Twelve months ended Sept. 30:	1990(A)	1989
Net revenues	$116,648	$105,476
Income (loss) before taxes and tax benefit of operating loss carryback	(280)	2,724
Provisions for income taxes	11	1,100
Net income (loss) before reversal of tax benefit of operating		

loss carryback	(291)	1,624
Tax benefit of operating loss carryback	66	--
Net income (loss)	(225)	1,624
Net income (loss) per share	(.07)	.72
Average shares outstanding	3,021	2,265

(A) - Includes results of Canadian Drawn Steel Company since May 11, 1990.

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#90312p4683 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBUQUERQUE, NM (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Lasertechnics, Inc. (NASDAQ: LASX), has entered into an OEM agreement with Coherent Hull Ltd., Hull, England, to distribute certain laser marking products manufactured by Coherent. The agreement strengthens the product offerings of Lasertechnics, and gives Coherent an outlet into the highly specialized U.S. packaging market.

The agreement involves lasers and peripheral devices used in the packaging industry as an alternative to ink and stamp methods of date and batch coding. Lasertechnics has proven its expertise in the packaging industry with its successful Blazer series of high speed batch and date coding lasers and will increase its offering by marketing the Laserbrand XM and Autocode II produced by Coherent Hull Ltd.

The Laserbrand XM is an air cooled, compact (17" x 37" x 18"), portable unit especially suitable when space is at a premium or portability between production lines is desired. The Laserbrand XM is packaged in an attractive, durable stainless steel housing.

Autocode II is an electronically controlled device capable of changing alphanumeric codes at high speed. The compact unit adds programmability and flexibility to laser coding and can be interfaced to a user-supplied PC or host computer. The unit can be configured to print one, two or three lines of code.

According to Louis F. Beick, Jr., Lasertechnics' president and chief executive officer, "Coherent and Lasertechnics have similar high standards of quality, complementary product lines and market strength in different areas of the world. This agreement," he said, "allows us to broaden our product line and share marketing strength while avoiding costly duplicate efforts. Our customers can expect to share in these benefits."

Lasertechnics will provide full technical and service support to the

Laserbrand XM and Autocode II sold by the company.

Coherent Hull Ltd. is a subsidiary of Coherent Inc., the largest independent laser manufacturer in the world. It supports an extensive research and development program and maintains close links with the Department of Applied Physics at Hull University. Coherent develops and markets a broad line of lasers, including those used for scientific and medical purposes as well as packaging and industrial applications.

Lasertechnics, Inc., designs and manufactures laser marking and engraving systems marketed to the electronics, medical and consumer products packaging industries. The company also markets digital imaging systems, the Fizeau wavemeter and other specialty instruments.

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#90312p4684 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Silicon Graphics Inc. (NYSE: SGI) and Enviromental Systems Research Institute Inc. (ESRI) announced today the port of ESRI's ARC/INFO(R) to the Silicon Graphics IRIS 4D(TM) family of workstations and servers. ARC/INFO Version 5.0.1 will be available in 1991.

ARC/INFO is used to automate, manipulate, analyze and display geographic data. As the leading supplier of Geographical Information Systems (GIS) software, more than 5,000 organizations use ESRI software in applications requiring the management of spatial information. Customers include oil companies, mining companies, federal, state and local government agencies, civil engineering firms, natural resource agencies, forestry companies, Fortune 500 companies and many others.

"Silicon Graphics is a major supplier of workstations to the geoscientific community," said Rob Burgess, vice president, Applications at Silicon Graphics. "With ARC/INFO, users will develop exciting new ways to apply our visualization capabilities to geoscientific data in exploration, mining, environmental science and environmental planning on a single desktop."

Burgess also stated, "The availability of ARC/INFO demonstrates our commitment to provide customers with a wide variety of application software. ARC/INFO will be the 100th application to become available on our systems."

Silicon Graphics Inc. is the leading manufacturer of high performance graphics systems, servers and software for visual processing applications. The company's products, which range from advanced project supercomputers to low-end desktop models and PC graphics subsystems, are used by engineers, scientists and creative professionals in design, analysis, manufacturing and

simulation.

ESRI was founded in 1969 as a research group devoted to improving methods of handling geographic data. Since then, ESRI has become a leading vendor of Geographic Information Systems software with clients located worldwide. ESRI also performs consulting and data automation services related to geographic information management.

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#90312p4691 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, CONN. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hydraulic Company (NYSE: THC) through its non-utility Hydrocorp, Inc. subsidiary, has acquired AC Laboratories, Inc. (ACL), an environmental testing laboratory in Miramar, Fla. it was announced today. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

THC Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer William F. Emswiler, who also is president and chief operating officer of Hydrocorp, said the acquisition is in line with THC's objective of growing its unregulated, water-related segments to complement its core business of public water supply.

Emswiler said ACL, which has annual sales of about $1.5 million, provides analytical services for water and wastewater treatment for community water systems in Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties.

ACL, located near Fort Lauderdale, will augment THC's existing multidisciplinary environmental testing capacity on the East Coast provided by Industrial and Environmental Analysts, Inc. (IEA), a Hydrocorp subsidiary, he explained. IEA has laboratory facilities in Research Triangle Park, N.C., near Burlington, Vt., and in the Boston area.

In a separate development, Emswiler announced that THC and SRK Holding, Inc. yesterday signed a letter of intent whereby THC will acquire the outstanding shares of SRK. He noted that in October THC had announced an agreement in principle to purchase the remaining shares of SRK, a Monroe, Conn.-based holding company and the parent of YWC, Inc., an environmental services consulting firm.

Once the transaction is completed, Emswiler observed, Hydrocorp intends to retain YWC's laboratories in Connecticut, New Jersey and Illinois and sell SRK's non-laboratory businesses.

THC provides drinking service through its Bridgeport Hydraulic Company (BHC) and BHC's Stamford Water Company subsidiary. BHC is among the 10 largest investor-owned water suppliers in the U.S.

THC also is engaged, through other subsidiaries, in forest products, electricity cogeneration and real estate businesses.

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#90312p4693 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CONN. AND BOSTON (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Shawmut National Corporation (NYSE: SNC) announced today that it has engaged Goldman Sachs, of the New York investment banking concern, to explore the sale of the corporation's credit card portfolio.

Shawmut National's credit card portfolio consists of approximately 550,000 accounts with outstanding balances of $450 million.

Shawmut National operates credit card facilities in Springfield, East Longmeadow, and Boston, to market cards, process applications, service customers, and collect outstanding balances.

In making the announcement, Shawmut National Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Joel B. Alvord said, "We made a strategic decision to explore the sale of our credit card portfolio because as the industry consolidates to improve operating efficiencies, the credit card business is increasingly dominated by a handful of large players. Given this fact,

the relatively small size of our portfolio, and our decision not to grow the business aggressively, Shawmut National is investigating the sale of its portfolio."

Shawmut National Corporation is a superregional bank holding company with headquarters in Hartford, Conn. and Boston. The corporation has a branch network of nearly 400 offices in New England. Its principal subsidiaries are Connecticut National Bank in Hartford and Shawmut Bank in Boston.

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VALLEY FORGE, PA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Alco Standard Corp. (NYSE: ASN) completed its 25th year by reporting today that operating revenues and income for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, were sharply ahead of last year.

Operating revenues for the year totaled $4,300,859,000, up 11.9 percent from

$3,842,121,000 in fiscal 1989. Operating income increased at an even greater rate during the year to $210,143,000, a 17.9 percent increase over the $178,186,000 reported last year. Income before taxes from continuing operations rose 16.9 percent, to $145,231,000. Taxes on income more than doubled in fiscal 1990 primarily because the benefits of the net operating loss carryforward associated with the 1985 acquisition of Saxon Industries were fully utilized in fiscal 1989. Despite the increase in the effective income tax rate, from 20.5 percent in 1989 to 37.4 percent in 1990, earnings per share from continuing operations reached $2.19.

As previously announced, a provision of $8 million, or $.13 per share, was established in the fourth quarter in connection with a judgment entered in litigation. Although the company believes it has excellent grounds to prevail on appeal, it was appropriate to establish a provision at this time. If this provision for litigation had not been established, earnings per share from continuing operations would have been $2.32, up $.04 over last year's $2.28.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, operating revenues increased 11.1 percent, from $1,016,550,000 to $1,129,770,000 and operating income was $61,391,000, up 15.5 percent from the $53,173,000 reported in the last three months of fiscal 1989. Similarly, income before taxes and earnings per share from continuing operations were affected by the provision for litigation. Nevertheless, income before taxes from continuing operations was $40,587,000, up 11.6 percent while earnings per share from continuing operations were $.59, compared with the $.67 reported for 1989.

Commenting on the company's performance, Ray B. Mundt, chairman and chief executive officer, said: "We are extremely pleased with our operating performance during fiscal 1990. Despite the sluggish and uncertain economy, each of our operating groups posted significant increases in operating income. Revenue gains, coupled with margin improvement and cost reduction programs, contributed to this performance.

Alco Standard Corp., headquartered in Valley Forge, is a publicly held distribution and services company.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Burger King Investors Master L.P. (NYSE: BKP) announced that net income allocable to unitholders for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,508,628 or $.33 per unit compared with $1,366,313 or $.29 per unit earned during the same period last year. The year-to-year comparison of results is affected by a $212,967 (5 cents per unit) provision for loss on the sale of property that occurred during the third quarter of

1989.

Funds generated from operations (taxable net income plus depreciation and amortization) for the quarter amounted to $.47 per unit, the same as the third quarter last year.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $2,438,009 down from the $2,510,081 achieved in 1989.

The Partnership previously announced a cash distribution of $.41 per unit payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to unitholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

BURGER KING INVESTORS MASTER L.P.
(In thousands except per unit amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$2,438	$2,510	$7,116	$7,168
Net income	$1,539	$1,394	$4,204	$4,101
Net income allocable to unitholders	1,509	1,366	4,125	4,019
Net income per unit (A)	$.33	$.29	$.89	$.87
Funds from operations (B) per unit (tax basis)	$.47	$.47	$1.30	$1.30

(A) Based on 4,635,000 units outstanding.
(B) Taxable operating income plus depreciation and amortization.

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COLUMBUS, IND. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Arvin Industries, Inc. (NYSE: ARV) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 17 cents per common share, payable Dec. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record as of the close of business Dec. 7, 1990.

Also, a quarterly cash dividend in the amount of 93.75 cents was declared on each outstanding convertible exchangeable preferred share of the company, payable Dec. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record as of the close of business Dec. 7, 1990.

Arvin Industries, Inc., an Indiana corporation, is a global company whose products are sold in more than 100 countries in North and South America, the European Common Market, the Pacific Rim and the Third World.

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WILMINGTON, DEL. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Airgas Inc. (NYSE: ARG) reported today that for its second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, earnings from continuing operations increased 48 percent to $1,545,000 or $.24 per share from $1,047,000 or $.16 per share in the second quarter last year.

After-tax cash flow (earnings from continuing operations plus depreciation, amortization and deferred taxes) increased 9 percent to $7,253,000 or $1.02 per share from $6,665,000 or $.95 per share in the second quarter last year. The increase in earnings from continuing operations is primarily due to lower interest costs resulting from the use of proceeds received upon the sale of the company's Jackson Products operations in October 1989 which reduced long-term indebtedness, increased earnings from carbon manufacturing operations due to increased domestic and foreign sales of all carbon products and increased earnings related to a joint venture for the production of calcium carbide. Increased earnings were partially offset by higher insurance costs, higher corporate expenses, an increased effective income tax rate and losses experienced by the company's Seattle-based medical homecare services division.

Additionally, the company's other income increased mainly due to a $400,000 pre-tax gain on the sale of two industrial gas distribution locations during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company maintains more than 230 industrial gas distribution stores in 29 states and Canada.

Net earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, decreased 28 percent to $1,545,000 or $.24 per share from $2,159,000 or $.32 per share in the second quarter of last year. The decline in net earnings is primarily due to earnings dilution of $.06 per share resulting from the company's sale of Jackson Products in October 1989.

Net sales increased 9 percent to $79,112,000 during the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, over the same period in the prior year due to the acquisition of 23 industrial gas distribution companies since July 1, 1989.

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-30- 2307

#90312p4710 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Oceaneering International, Inc. (NASDAQ: OCER) today announced financial results for the second quarter of its 1991 fiscal year which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

On revenues of $44,813,000, Oceaneering reported net income of $6,896,000, or

$0.30 per common share. These figures compare favorably with net income of $4,210,000, or $0.19 per common share, on revenues of $58,061,000 for the second quarter of fiscal 1990. "This is the second consecutive quarter in which Oceaneering has achieved record profits -- the $6,896,000 represents the highest quarterly earnings in Oceaneering's 26-year history," stated John R. Huff, chairman, president, and chief executive officer.

During the first six months of fiscal 1991, Oceaneering reported net income of $11,635,000, or $0.51 per common share, on revenues of $79,080,000. This compares with net income of $6,495,000, or $0.30 per common share, on revenues of $112,701,000 during the first six months of the previous fiscal year.

OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL, INC.
Summary of Results
(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

Periods ended	Three Months		Six Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$44,813	$58,061	$79,080	$112,701
Net income	6,896	4,210	11,635	6,495
Earnings per common share	$0.30	$0.19	$0.51	$0.30
Wtd. avg. no. of com. shr. equiv. outstg.	22,751	21,861	22,699	21,660

Oceaneering, together with its affiliate companies, is one of the world's largest underwater services companies. Oceaneering supplies a comprehensive range of integrated technical services to a wide array of industries. Principal services are directed to the offshore oil and gas industry and include drilling support; subsea construction; production systems; facilities maintenance and repair; survey and positioning; engineering; and specialized inspection, both offshore and onshore.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - CF Income Partners L.P. (NYSE: CFI), a Los Angeles-based master limited partnership, announced today the election of Daniel P. Kearney to the board of directors of CF Management Corp., the general partner of CF Income Partners L.P. Kearney brings to the board an extensive background in real estate and real estate financing.

Kearney was president and chief executive officer of the Resolution Trust Corp.'s Oversight Board from September 1989 until February 1990. Prior to that, Kearney was a principal at Aldrich, Eastman & Waltch Inc., in Boston, where he specialized in mortgage financing and was a managing director at Salomon Brothers Inc., where he was in charge of the real estate financing

department since 1977.

He has been the associate director of the Office of Management and Budget, served as president of the Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae), was a deputy assistant secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the executive director of the Illinois Housing Development Authority.

CF Income Partners L.P. is a publicly traded master limited partnership which has invested in income producing multi-family residential, commercial and industrial properties.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Telettra USA, Inc. today announced the signing of a purchasing agreement with AT&T to supply DTV-45 Codec equipment. Codec equipment is used in a television transmission path to convert a signal from the traditional analog to state-of-the-art digital technology.

The DTV-45 Codec equipment is exclusively designed and manufactured by Telettra S.p.A., a major international supplier of telecommunications transmission systems and a world leader in the area of high quality digital television transmission systems including HDTV.

Telettra USA, Inc. is the North America subsidiary of Italy's Telettra S.p.A.

The initial order of 100 Telettra DTV-45 Codec units is scheduled for delivery between December 1990 and March 1991; additional orders for delivery in 1991 and 1992 are foreseen.

The signing of this multimillion dollar agreement is another signal of AT&T's initiatives to transition its current service offerings from an analog network to its new fiber based digital network.

Considered the most advanced DS3 television digital coding system by many industry experts, the DTV-45 Codec is the only system now on the market that utilizes the powerful Discrete Cosine Transform (DCT) algorithm to compress, without distortions, the television signal into a 45 megabit per second digital stream.

This capability also led Bellcore to select the DTV-45 for its nationwide DS3 Digital Television Trial Network, that has been operating since November 1989.

The Trial Network, in which AT&T is a participant, interconnects eight major

U.S. cities, including New York, Washington, Boston, Atlanta, Indianapolis, St. Louis, Minneapolis and Los Angeles.

Telettra S.p.A. is located in Milan, Italy; in 1989, the company's net consolidated revenues reached $1.28 billion, an increase of 47 percent over the previous year. Operating income of $309 million, or 24 percent of revenues, more than doubled the 1988 results; improvements on Telettra's financial results are expected also for 1990 fiscal year.

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#90312p4718 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears Merchandise Group today reported that its gross revenues from continuing operations for the four weeks ended Nov. 3 were 1.2 percent below 1989. Comparable store sales were 0.4 percent below last year, Sears said.

Gross revenues for the period were $2,552,272,344, compared with $2,583,552,894 last year.

"Our results reflect consumers' growing caution about the economy," said Edward A. Brennan, Sears chairman and chief executive officer. "That uncertainty resulted in softening sales of big ticket merchandise including furniture and appliances. We continue to do well in other areas, including women's apparel, hardware and automotive," he said.

"We have very strong holiday season marketing plans in place, including the addition this year of SearsCharge Bonus Club. However, in light of current economic conditions, we continue to fine-tune our efforts to increase store traffic," Brennan said.

Sears Merchandise Group reported gross revenues of $24,381,540,922 for the 39 weeks ended Nov. 3. This was an increase of $601,683,841 or 2.5 percent compared with revenues of $23,779,857,081 in the same period of 1989.

SEARS MERCHANDISE GROUP

	4 Weeks	39 Weeks
1990	$2,552,272,344	$24,381,540,922
1989	2,583,552,894	23,779,857,081
Change	(31,280,550)	601,683,841
Percent Change		
From Continuing Operations	(1.2)	2.5
Comp. Retail Store Change	(0.4)	2.7

CONTACT: Kathy Gucfa of Sears, Roebuck, 312-875-8304

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#90312p4720 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
SANTA PAULA, CALIF. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - H & H Oil Tool Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: HHOT) today reported sharply improved earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net income for the third quarter advanced to $429,000, or $.13 per share, from a net loss of $17,000 in the prior year period. Revenues for the third quarter increased 26 percent to $6,289,000 from $4,991,000 for the same period in 1989.

For the nine month period, net income rose to $831,000, or $.26 per share, from a net loss of $548,000, or $.17 per share, in the same period last year. Revenues for the year-to-date period rose 34 percent to $17,100,000 from $12,751,000 a year ago.

Henry H. Rushing, president and chief executive officer, attributed the improved revenues and operating results to higher oilfield activities that were not directly related to recent events in the Middle East. The Rocky Mountain Region experienced a significant upturn in drilling for natural gas which sharply improved operating results for H & H Bi-Co Rental Inc. Rushing also said that much of the revenue increase for the nine-month period reflected contributions from the acquisition of Midway Fishing Tool Company in the second quarter of last year.

H & H Oil Tool, founded in 1953, and its wholly owned subsidiary, H & H Bi-Co Rental Inc., rent a wide range of equipment to oil, gas and geothermal companies throughout the Western United States. The Midway Fishing Tool Company division provides rentals and specialized services and equipment for recovery of downhole tools at drilling and production sites throughout California.

CONTACT: Henry H. Rushing, president and CEO, H & H Oil Tool Co. Inc., 805-525-6679; or Roger S. Pondel or Kim P. Feazle of Rifkind, Pondel & Parsons 213-207-9300, for H & H Oil Tool Co. Inc.

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HERZLIA, ISRAEL (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Scitex Corporation Ltd. (NASDAQ: SCIFX) announced today an unaudited net profit of $20,576,000 or $0.56 per share, for the third quarter of 1990, a 141 percent increase from the net profit of $8,523,000 or $0.24 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company's unaudited net profits totalled $53,281,000 or $1.46 per share, a 146 percent increase from the net profit of $21,687,000 or $0.62 per share in the same period last year.

The board of directors declared an interim cash dividend of 7 cents per share

for the third quarter. Shareholders of record as of the close of business on Nov. 15, 1990, will be entitled to the interim dividend. The dividend will be paid on or before Dec. 5, 1990, net of taxes to be withheld at source. In September the American Stock Exchange started trading put and call options on Scitex shares.

Revenues in the third quarter reached $96,130,000, a 52 percent increase from the comparable period last year. For the first nine months of the year, revenues totalled $250,196,000, a 47 percent increase over the first nine months of the 1989. Operating income for the quarter increased 186 percent over third quarter 1989 levels, while operating margins reached 29 percent.

Revenues continued to strong worldwide. Compared with the third quarter of 1989, revenues in America grew 64 percent to reach $39,578,000, revenues in Europe grew 41 percent to reach $39,710,000, while revenues in Japan grew 58 percent to reach $10,190,000.

The Scitex Graphic Arts User Association in America held its annual meeting in August in Orlando, Fla. The successful event drew approximately 400 people representing some 250 member companies, and highlighted once again Scitex's policy of keeping in close touch with its customer base while being responsive to their needs.

During August, at the SIGGRAPH Conference in Dallas, IRIS Graphics, the Bedford, Mass., company acquired by Scitex in March of this year, unveiled a new digital color printer - the SmartJet Series 4012.

This compact printer adds a smaller format to the Iris line of color inkjet printers. It features a high degree of automation, emphasizing minimum operator intervention. The SmartJet, which retails at $39,000, significantly expands market opportunities for Iris.

Nihon Scitex, the company's 50 percent-owned joint venture in Japan, hosted approximately 400 customers and prospects in two gatherings in Tokyo and Osaka. At these events, Scitex products are also used in the cartographic and textile industries, as well as for certain applications in the printed circuit board manufacturing and seismic exploration industries. Scitex operates marketing, sales and service divisions in North America, Europe and Japan.

SCITEX CORP. LTD. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(U.S. dollars in thousands)

	9/30/90 (unaudited)	12/31/89 (audited)
Assets Current assets		
Cash	$122,998	$139,429
Marketable securities	1,617	477
Accounts receivable	94,514	74,031
Inventories	42,372	36,536

Other current assets	20,628	17,283
Total	282,129	267,756
Accounts receivable - non current	4,565	3,463
Other assets	23,566	6,149
Property and equipment - net	36,475	35,485
Total	346,735	312,853
Liabilities and shareholders' equity		
Current liabilities		
Banks - short term	16,604	42,309
Current maturities of long-term debt	9,912	1,501
Trade payables	16,227	15,821
Other payables and accrued liabilities	55,194	38,896
Proposed dividend	2,568	5,433
Total	100,505	103,960
Long-term debt	28,525	39,355
Shareholders' equity:		
Share capital	4,068	4,057
Capital surplus	137,264	135,213
Currency translation adjustment	549	562
Retained earnings	75,824	29,706
Total	217,705	169,538
Total	346,735	312,853

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(U.S. dollars in thousands) (unaudited)

Periods ended	Nine months		Quarter	
Sept. 30,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues				
Sales	$210,531	$140,236	$81,446	$53,025
Service Income	39,664	30,314	14,684	10,355
Total	250,195	170,550	96,130	63,380
Cost of revenues	97,917	80,362	36,899	28,792
Gross profit	152,278	90,188	59,231	34,588
Costs and expenses				
Research and development expenses:	19,748	15,175	7,227	5,193
Less participation	(4,395)	(3,911)	(1,597)	(1,540)
Net	15,353	11,264	5,630	3,653
Marketing	42,050	25,697	16,055	8,906
General and administrative	25,302	21,528	9,870	7,117
Operating income	69,573	31,699	27,676	14,912
Financial expenses (net)	541	(1,529)	461	(725)
Loss on marketable securities	--	(4,015)	--	(4,015)
Other income (expenses)	(2,785)	848	(833)	328
Income before taxes on income	67,329	27,003	27,304	10,500

Taxes on income	15,346	5,066	7,489	2,357
Income before share in results of joint venture companies	51,983	21,937	19,815	8,143
Share in earnings of joint venture companies (net)	1,298	(250)	761	380
Net income for the period	53,281	21,687	20,576	8,523
Earnings per share	$1.46	$0.62	$0.56	$0.24
Weighted average number of shares outstanding (in thousands)	36,435	35,214	36,670	35,914

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TREVOSE, PA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Betz Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ: BETZ) today authorized the acquisition of up to 2 million additional shares of common stock of the company for future use in connection with stock plans and for other corporate purposes as determined by the board.

The shares will be purchased through brokers or directly from shareholders. To date, the company has acquired 1,749,800 common shares under the previous 2 million common share repurchase authorization dated June 19, 1989.

At the same meeting, the board of directors also declared a dividend of $4 per share payable on Dec. 13, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 1, of Series A ESOP convertible preferred stock.

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CLEARWATER, FL (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - C. H. Heist Corporation (NASDAQ: CHHC) reported a first quarter sales increase of 2.9 percent, from $18,448,064 for the same period last year to $18,992,105 for this year's first quarter which ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net earnings for the current three month period were $1,024,430, as opposed to $1,181,477 for the previous year. After adjustment for the Oct. 12, 1990 stock split, per share earnings were $.53 this year vs. last year's first quarter earnings of $.61.

C.H. Heist, president and chairman, cited "a creditable sales performance in the face of major strikes affecting the Canadian steel market. With services to the steel industry curtailed, extra sales efforts were extended in other

areas of operations in the U.S. and Canada, resulting in increased sales in insulation, temporary help and supplemental services."

Heist also commented on painting services, which were off 25.9 percent, pointing out that large Canadian bridge contracts of last year were not available this year because of governmental budget restrictions.

Concerning first quarter earnings, Heist stated, "Our earnings for the first quarter, while not as high as last year's banner performance, are quite substantial. In replacing lost volume in the steel and painting sectors with temporary help and insulation sales, earnings were reduced because these services garner lower margins."

The Heist board approved a change in the corporation's fiscal year, which henceforth will be on a calendar-year basis. This quarter being reported will be one of two which will fill a transitional period prior to starting the first full year in January, 1991.

Working capital increased by $444,856 over last year's same period. Capital expenditures for the quarter were $822,000, 27.9 percent less than the previous year's first quarter expenditures of $1,169,000. A strong balance sheet is reflected in a current ratio of 3.5-to-1 and a quick ratio 3.1-to-1.

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#90312p4736 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVING, TEXAS (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Gamma International, Ltd. (NASDAQ: GAMM) today reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, including its first profitable quarter with over $100,000 net income on record game sales.

For the third quarter of 1990, game sales increased to $3,865,649 from $3,631,812 for the third quarter of 1989, while net income rose to $103,455, or 4 cents per share, versus a loss of ($870,397), or (77 cents) per share, for last year's third quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, game sales rose 31 percent to $11,039,746 compared to $8,433,127 for the first nine months of 1989. The company sustained a loss of ($52,579), or (4 cents) per share, for the first nine months of 1990, including an extraordinary charge of ($50,000) in the second quarter relating to elimination of debt issue costs in connection with the repayment of bridge loans, compared to a loss of ($3,195,260), or ($2.82) per share, for the first nine months of 1989.

Gamma designs and produces daily high-stakes bingo games which are played simultaneously in independently operated bingo halls located in 14 states.

The games, which offer the highest regularly scheduled prizes in bingo history (ranging up to $1 million per game), are telecast live via a proprietary satellite network which currently links 46 bingo halls from Vermont to California.

Gamma's shares, warrants and units are traded on NASDAQ under the symbols GAMM GAMMW and GAMMU, respectively.

GAMMA INTERNATIONAL, LTD.

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Games sales	$3,865,649	$3,631,812	$11,039,746	$8,433,127
Net income (loss) bef. extraordinary item	103,455	(870,397)	(2,579)	(3,195,260)
Extraordinary item	--	--	(50,000)	--
Net inc. (loss) after extraordinary item	103,455	(870,397)	(52,579)	(3,195,260)
Net income (loss) per share after extraordinary item	$0.04	($0.77)	($0.04)	($2.82)
Adjusted wtd. avg. shares outstdg. for computational purposes	2,676,415	1,147,969	1,728,135	1,147,969

CONTACT: Jack Saltiel, president of Gamma International, 214-869-4390, Sam Witchel of Scharff, Witchel & Co., 212-983-1060, for Gamma International

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#90312p4737 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELVILLE, NY (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Herbert Lindo, president of Kenilworth Systems Corporation (NASDAQ: KENS), announced today that, after three months of extensive testing with play money, the statutory inspecting authority of the State of Victoria, Australia, has approved and certified the Cashless Wagering System developed and provided by Kenilworth for the world's first cashless casino, which also is the first casino in the State of Victoria, Australia. This casino will open officially on Nov. 27.

In a cashless casino, the gambler establishes a debit card account at the cage by depositing cash or electronically transferring a cash advance from a bank or Visa/MasterCard account. After being issued the debit card, the player inserts it into a slot machine for play, with debits and credits displayed on the screen, or uses it to purchase chips at table games.

Through electronic funds transfer, a casino's labor costs can be reduced by more than 60 percent, and up-front promotion costs by 35 percent, by separating the bystanders from the players with data generated from the system.

According to Peter Redlich, chairman of the Totalizator Agency Board, (TAB), Victoria, Australia, an office equivalent to the chairman of the casino commission in the states of Nevada and New Jersey, "This technology is the most advanced of its type in the world. It features a new generation of slot machines which permit, on each machine, the selection of six different casino slot games and the selection of different wagers -- 10 cents to $25 -- between handle pulls." It was also noted that the revolutionary Australian casino offers self-service terminals for cashless wagering on horse and greyhound racing and for sports book.

On election day, Nov. 6, the voters in New Jersey approved a referendum permitting horse race wagering and simulcasting in Atlantic City casinos. This voter affirmation next goes to the New Jersey state Legislature for approval.

CONTACT: Herbert Lindo, president of Kenilworth Systems, 516-756-2323, or Neil V. Walker of Totalizator Agency Board, 011-613-268-2100, or Ron Como & Associates, 212-227-3010, for Kenilworth Systems

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MONTREAL (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Dominion Textile (MONTREAL: DTX) announced that at its annual meeting held on Oct. 31, 1990 that, effective today, Nov. 8 shareholders may purchase shares of the corporation for the balance of the 1990 calendar year through optional cash payments under its Dividend Reinvestment and Share Purchase Plan.

The maximum amount of optional cash payments under the plan is $4,000 per calendar quarter. The remaining 1990 investment dates are Nov. 21 and Dec. 21. Shareholders may make one payment of $4,000 or payments each month up to a total of $4,000. Payments received after Dec. 20 will not be accepted and will be returned immediately to shareholders.

For eligible Quebec residents, common shares of Dominion Textile purchased through optional cash payments qualify for inclusion in a Quebec Stock Savings Plan. This entitles shareholders to a deduction in computing taxable income for 1990 Quebec income tax purposes equal to 75 percent of the acquisition cost of the shares.

CONTACT: Viviane Mattey of Dominion Textile, 514-989-6167

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#90312p4739 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Drilling Co. (NYSE: PKD) today announced it has been awarded a contract to build "the newest generation of Arctic drilling rigs" for an exploration and development drilling program on

the North Slope of Alaska. Drilling operations are expected to begin in the Kuparuk River Field in mid-1991.

The contract, with ARCO Alaska Inc., calls for manufacturing a rig which features "an innovative moving system which is specifically designed to operate in the environmentally sensitive Arctic conditions," said Robert L. Parker, Jr. president and chief operating officer. The rig will be incorporated into ARCO's long-term drilling program to develop the sizeable reserves in the field.

Parker explained that the design allows for moving the rig on a transport system, similar to units being used to move space shuttle equipment at the Kennedy Space Center. "This system will minimize damage to the existing roads compared to rig move systems now in use," Parker stated. Additionally, other state of the art environmental safeguards have been included in the rig's design, including a closed loop mud system and a zero discharge liquid system.

The new Parker rig also includes the newest existing technology, such as a top drive, high speed shale shakers and advanced centrifuges.

The Parker-patented rig design was developed at the company's research and development center, Parker Technology Inc. or Partech, in Odessa, Texas. The new rig will be built under the supervision of Partech personnel.

Parker is a worldwide drilling contractor with operations in 15 countries. The company is headquartered in Tulsa.

CONTACT: Tim Colwell of Parker Drilling Co., 918-585-8221

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#90312p4740 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal (NYSE: UCL) has appointed Fielding L. Walker vice president of marketing for Unocal's refining and marketing division, effective Nov. 15.

Walker will assume the responsibilities of Thomas W. Matthews, vice president of eastern marketing and national auto/truckstops, who is retiring Dec. 1.

Walker's new duties are in addition to his previous responsibilities as vice president of western marketing, a position he assumed on Oct. 1 with the retirement of Clay R. Warnock.

In his new position, Walker will oversee Unocal's marketing activities nationwide.

"The transfer of Unocal's midwestern marketing assets to The UNO-VEN Company last December reduced the scope of responsibilities for the vice president of

eastern marketing," said Roger C. Beach, president of Unocal's refining and marketing division.

"Having eastern and western marketing report to one person reflects that change, and will increase the efficiency of our marketing organization," Beach added.

Since joining Unocal in 1964, Walker has served in various positions, including general manager of marketing for the eastern United States and general manager of Unocal's nationwide auto/truckstop system. Before assuming his position as vice president of western marketing, Walker was vice president of planning and services.

Walker, a native of Oxford, North Carolina, has a bachelor's degree from Duke University and received a master's degree in management from Northwestern University.

Matthews joined The Pure Oil Company (which later merged with Unocal) as a district sales representative trainee in 1958. Matthews, a graduate of the University of Maryland, subsequently held increasingly responsible positions in eastern marketing, including district and division sales manager, and general manager of marketing distribution and product supply. He was appointed vice president of eastern marketing in 1981.

Warnock began his career with Unocal in 1956 after attending the University of Arizona. Starting as a service station student salesman in western marketing, he undertook a wide variety of marketing assignments. He subsequently advanced to positions as division sales manager, manager of operations and profit planning, and general manager of marketing operations, before being appointed vice president of western marketing in 1981.

CONTACT: Jeff Callender of Unocal, 213-977-7208.

-30- 2631

#90312p4748 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Alexander & Alexander Services Inc. (A&A) (NYSE: AAL) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share, payable on Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 3, 1990.

A&A Services Inc. is a global insurance brokerage, risk management and human resource management consulting company serving clients from offices in more than 70 countries.

CONTACT: Gary Sullivan of Alexander & Alexander, 212-840-8500

-30- 664

#90312p4750 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Gas Processors Ltd. (NYSE: WGP) announced today that the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and the third quarter 1990 set new record highs for revenues, net income and working capital provided by operations.

Revenues reached $166,263,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 (compared to $126,766,000 for the like period in 1989) and $59,652,000 for the third quarter 1990 (compared to $40,059,000 in 1989).

Net income was $16,551,000 or 74 cents per common unit, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 (compared to $15,882,000, or 87 cents per common unit, or $8,982,000 or 43 cents per common unit, net of unusual items, for the like period in 1989) and $7,148,000, or 33 cents per common unit, for the third quarter 1990 (compared to $4,011,000, or 21 cents per common unit, in 1989).

The weighted average number of common units outstanding increased from 15,601,450 for the 1989 periods to 19,171,859 and 19,256,277 for the nine months and quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Working capital provided by operations was $23,421,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 (compared to $22,682,000, or $15,782,000, net of unusual items, for the like period in 1989) and $9,629,000 for the third quarter 1990 (compared to $6,346,000 in 1989).

The ususual items excluded from net income and working capital provided by operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 was a net $6,900,000, related to certain commitment fees and interest received and a related settlement paid by Western.

CONTACT: Teresa Massaro of Western Gas Processors Ltd., (303) 452-5603.

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#90312p4755 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Gas Resources Inc. (NYSE: WGR) announced today that the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and the third quarter 1990 set new record highs for revenues and net income.

Revenues reached $166,250,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 (compared to $126,766,000 for the like period in 1989) and $59,646,000 for the third quarter 1990 (compared to $40,059,000 in 1989).

Net income was $5,517,000, or 51 cents per common share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 (compared to $4,602,000, or 62 cents per common share, $2,329,000, or 32 cents per common share, net of unusual items, for the like period in 1989) and $2,398,000, or 22 cents per common share, for the third

quarter 1990 (compared to $1,125,000 or 15 cents per common share, in 1989). The weighted average number of common shares outstanding increased from 7,380,617 for the 1989 periods to 10,908,117 for the 1990 periods.

Working capital provided by operations was $21,570,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 (compared to $23,339,000, or $16,439,000, net of unusual items, for the like period in 1989) and $8,818,000 for the third quarter 1990 (compared to $6,532,000 in 1989).

The unusual items for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 were $2,273,000 for net income and a net $6,900,000 for working capital provided by operations, related to certain commitment fees and interest received and a related settlement paid by Western.

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#90312p4759 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. (AMEX: TDS) today reported excellent growth in customers served and exceptional increases in revenues, operating income, net income, earnings per share and cash flow. Telephone access lines increased 8 percent to 277,100, consolidated cellular phones soared 60.7 percent to 48,700 and pagers jumped 24.2 percent to 192,400 at Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to Sept. 30, 1989.

Financial results were up sharply. Revenues rose 21.8 percent to $75 million for the third quarter and 24 percent to $214.2 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, both as compared to the respective prior periods. Operating income increased 75.1 percent to $13.1 million for the third quarter and 83.2 percent to $36.2 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net income available to common climbed 138.5 percent to $6.4 million for the third quarter and 191 percent to $17.7 million for the nine months. Earnings per share jumped 110 percent to $0.21 for the third quarter and 163.6 percent to $0.58 for the nine months. Growth in earnings per share was slowed somewhat by increases in common shares outstanding of 8.4 percent for the third quarter and 12.1 percent for the first nine months. Cash flow from operations rose 37.6 percent to $27.8 million for the third quarter and 40.9 percent to $77.1 million for the nine months.

TDS Telecom reported excellent growth in access lines served and strong financial performance. Operating income increased 25.4 percent to $16.3 million on a 14.6 percent increase in revenues for the third quarter of 1990 as compared to the same period in 1989. Cash flow from operations moved up 21.1 percent to $26.1 million for the third quarter.

United States Cellular (AMEX: USM) posted a 51.1 percent gain in revenues to $16.6 million on a 60.7 percent increase in customers for the third quarter of

1990 as compared to 1989. USM's consolidated losses from operations improved 50.9 percent to $1.8 million during the third quarter reflecting the effects of achieving positive operating income, excluding license cost amortization, in 10 of its 26 markets and positive consolidated cash flow overall.

TDS is a Chicago-based communications company with established local telephone operations and developing cellular telephone and radio paging operations. TDS builds value for its shareholders by providing excellent communications services to attractive markets in closely related segments of the telecommunications industry.

CONTACT: Murray Swanson, executive VP-finance of TDS, 312-630-1900; out of town media may call collect

-30- 2849

#90312p4761 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - British Telecom (NYSE: BTY) announced today the second quarter and half year financial results for the period to Sept. 30, 1990.

A synopsis is:

-- Earnings per ADR increased by 14.5 percent to 0.85 pounds sterling ($1.59) for the second quarter and by 16.4 percent to 1.65 pounds ($3.09) for the half year relative to the same periods in 1989.

-- Income before tax for the second quarter of 791 million pounds ($1,479 million), an increase of 16.7 percent and for the half year of 1,532 million pounds ($2,865 million), again an increase of 16.7 percent.

-- Interim dividend increased by 12.9 percent to 0.70 pounds ($1.31) per ADR.

-- Revenues increased for the half year to 6,475 million pounds ($12,108 million), an increase of 8.8 percent reflecting in large part the economic downturn in the U.K.

-- Call volume growth of 7 percent for domestic calls and 11 percent for international calls on a twelve month moving average.

-- Number of business access lines increased by 7.7 percent and residential access lines increased by 2.3 percent over the year to Sept. 30, 1990.

-- Operating costs for the half year increased by 6.8 percent to 4,723 million pounds ($8,832 million) reflecting the emphasis on cost control.

-- Reduction of 5,600 people employed in the U.K. during the half year.

The reorganization of the group has resulted in a cost of 21 million pounds

($39 million), mainly as severance payments. This has been charged against the restructuring provision of 390 million pounds ($729 million) made at the end of last year.

The interim dividend of 0.70 pounds ($1.31) gross per ADR will be paid on Feb. 18, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 10, 1991. This dividend amounts to 323 million pounds ($604 million).

BRITISH TELECOM INC.
(Unaudited, in millions except per share)

UK GAAP						
Period ended	Second quarter			Six months		
Sept. 30	1990		1989	1990		1989
	US$	Pounds		US$	Pounds	
Revenues	6,109	3,267	3,026	12,108	6,475	5,954
Income before tax	1,479	791	678	2,865	1,532	1,313
Less: taxes	496	265	224	959	513	446
Minority interests	7	4	5	19	10	10
Net income	976	522	449	1,887	1,009	857
Earnings per ADR	1.59	0.85	0.74	3.09	1.65	1.42
Interim dividend per ADR	--	--	--	1.31	0.70	0.62
US GAAP						
Revenues	6,109	3,267	3,026	12,108	6,475	5,954
Income before tax	1,434	767	663	2,775	1,484	1,319
Less: taxes	505	270	230	974	521	463
Minority interests	7	4	5	19	10	10
Net income	922	493	428	1,782	953	846
Earnings per ADR	1.50	0.80	0.71	2.92	1.56	1.40

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-30- 3274

#90312p4762 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Leading energy project developer O'Brien Energy Systems (AMEX: OBS) today announced that its $54 million, 52 megawatt Newark Group Industries cogeneration project in Newark, N.J., is now in commercial production and supplying steam to Newark Boxboard Co. and electricity to Jersey Central Power and Light under a 25-year contract.

"Although we have been operating a similarly sized facility in California since February with better-than-projected results, this is our first large, wholly owned project and therefore will contribute significantly to the company's growth," said O'Brien Energy Vice President Bruce Levy. "We consider this a milestone event in the company's history," Levy added.

The project is expected to produce approximately $30 million in annual gross revenues for the 25-year term of the contract. A second wholly owned O'Brien

plant, a 102 megawatt project at a Du Pont chemical facility in Parlin, N.J., is scheduled for completion early in 1991.

CONTACT: Hal LeVay of Porter, LeVay & Rose, (212) 564-4700, for O'Brien Energy Systems.

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#90312p4763 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILTON, CT. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Preferred Health Care Ltd. (AMEX: PY), a leading provider of programs that manage the delivery of mental health and substance abuse care, announced today that it has been selected to provide its PsychCare program to the following new clients:

Client	Start Date
Northern States Power Corporation	Dec. 1, 1990
Coca-Cola Enterprises, Inc.	Jan. 1, 1991
Bellcore	Jan. 1, 1991
Trammell-Crow	Jan. 1, 1991
Bethlehem Steel Corp.	Jan. 1, 1991

In addition, Preferred Health Care has been selected to provide its Psychiatric Case Review (PCR) product to MCI Communications Corporation starting Jan. 1, 1991.

The foregoing new clients, which represent over 135,000 lives, are expected to generate 1991 managed care revenues of over $1.5 million.

PsychCare is a comprehensive managed mental health program which integrates patient evaluation, referral to the company's preferred provider networks and concurrent utilization review. PCR is a stand- alone program that delivers the concurrent utilization review and reporting components of PsychCare primarily for inpatient treatment.

CONTACT: George Neidich, senior vice president of Preferred Health Care, 203-762-0993

-30- 1491

#90312p4767 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

GASTONIA, NC (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - On November 8, 1990, the Board of Directors of Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PSNC) declared a regular quarterly dividend on the Company's Common Stock of 27.5 cents per share, payable on January 1, 1991, to shareholders of record December 10, 1990. This is the 132nd consecutive quarterly dividend on the Company's Common Stock.

The Directors also declared regular quarterly dividends on both series of the Company's Cumulative Preferred Stock, payable January 1, 1991 to shareholders of record December 10, 1990.

Public Service Company distributes natural gas to over 230,000 customers in 87 cities, towns and communities in 26 counties ranging from the Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill areas in the northeast; the Concord, Statesville, Gastonia and Forest City areas in the Piedmont; to the Asheville, Hendersonville and Brevard areas in the western part of the state. Public Service Company, through subsidiaries of its wholly-owned subsidiary, PSNC Natural Resources Corporation, also participates in oil and gas exploration and production, and retails propane gas.

CONTACT: Charles E. Zeigler, Jr., President and Chief Operating Officer, Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc., 704-864-6731

-30- 1470

#90312p4769 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Cincinnati Milacron Inc. (NYSE: CMZ) announced today that it has completed the sale of its industrial robot business to ABB Robotics Inc., a unit of the ABB Brown Boveri Group. As previously announced, the two companies had signed a letter of intent agreeing to the sale in September.

ABB plans to continue Milacron's robot business, fulfilling current contracts and providing all customer services including training and parts replacement. ABB also intends to retain a substantial number of Milacron employees.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed. Milacron said that the sale would have no material effect on its 1990 earnings.

"This divestiture is a part of our overall strategy to concentrate on areas of long-term growth and opportunity within our core businesses: namely, products for metalworking and for plastics processing," said Daniel J. Meyer, Milacron's president and chief executive officer.

Cincinnati Milacron, with 1989 sales of $851 million, is leading a producer of machine tools, plastics machinery, measurement and inspection equipment, computer controls, grinding wheels and metalworking fluids.

CONTACT: Albert Beaupre of Cincinnati Milacron, 513-841-7241, or Robert Brown of ABB Robotics Inc., 414-785-3400.

-30- 1464

#90312p4771 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of PaineWebber Group Inc. (NYSE: PWJ) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend for the fourth quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990. The dividend will be $0.13 per common share, payable on Jan. 4, 1991 to holders of record on Dec. 5, 1990.

The board also declared a dividend of $0.34375 on the $1.375 convertible exchangeable preferred stock, payable on Dec. 15, 1990 to holders of record on Dec. 5, 1990.

PaineWebber Group Inc. is the parent company of PaineWebber Incorporated and PaineWebber International, which together serve the investment and capital needs of a worldwide client base.

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-30- 965

#90312p4772 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - WMS Industries Inc. (NYSE: WMS) announced today results of operations for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $29,408,000 as compared with $23,893,000 in the corresponding quarter of the prior fiscal year. The net loss for the current quarter was $3,102,000, or 36 cents per share, as compared with a net loss of $6,059,000 or 76 cents per share, for the prior year's comparable quarter.

The quarter ended Sept. 30 is the weakest in the company's annual business cycle because of the summer vacation shut-down of the company's amusement game manufacturing facilities and the seasonal rate and occupancy reductions in the company's hotel and casino business in Puerto Rico. The loss from operations of the current quarter was $1,455,000 as compared with $4,297,000 in the prior year's comparable quarter. This 66 percent reduction in loss from operations results from significantly improved operating results at the Condado Plaza Hotel & Casino, reduced corporate office expenses and modestly improved results at the amusement game business.

At the company's hotel and casino operations in Puerto Rico -- the Condado Plaza Hotel & Casino and the El San Juan Hotel & Casino -- revenues increased at each hotel primarily from an increase in average room rate. Casino revenues increased at the Condado Plaza because of a higher win percentage while casino revenues decreased at the El San Juan because of a lower win percentage (which is related to the luck of the players and is a factor in all casino operations). The Condado Plaza achieved an operating profit in the current quarter in comparison to a loss from operations in the prior year's comparable quarter. The El San Juan had a loss from operations of similar amounts in both the current and prior year's comparable quarter. Prior year's

hotel and casino operations suffered at both locations from the effects of the Sept. 18, 1989, hurricane.

Sales at the company's coin-operated amusement game business improved over the prior year's first quarter. The improvement resulted in part from higher pinball unit sales including the sale of finished goods inventory models carried over from the previous year's production. The loss from operations in the amusement game business had only a modest decrease notwithstanding the sizeable sales increase because of lower than normal margins from the sale of prior year models.

WMS Industries Inc. is engaged in the design, manufacture and sale of coin-operated amusement games and the ownership and operation of hotels and casinos.

CONTACT: Harold H. Bach Jr., vice president-finance of WMS Industries, 312-728-2300, or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for WMS Industries

-30- 3016

#90312p4775 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

OMAHA, NE (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - It's simple. If you're not registered, you can't vote. And that was the case for some 25.8 percent of Nebraska's voting age population in Tuesday's election.

U S WEST Direct, partnering with the Nebraska state government, is working to increase voter registration by making it as easy and convenient as possible to register. The Yellow Pages publisher has begun including mail-in voter registration forms in each of the 11 directories it publishes in the state of Nebraska.

The first Nebraska directory to include the registration form was Omaha. All subsequent directories in the state will contain the form as well as state-wide voter information.

The idea came from Iowa Secretary of State Elaine Baxter. She recognized that the U S WEST Direct White and Yellow Pages is in almost every home and business and is the first thing to arrive on the front porch when people move into a new community.

The voter registration form allows individuals to register by removing the form from the directory, completing it and mailing it directly to the secretary of state's office.

Voter information appears in the Easy Reference Guide of the directory and includes voter qualifications, how to register, what to do if you move and how to vote an absentee ballot. It also provides telephone numbers for direct

contact to the secretary of state's office and records and elections department.

U S WEST Direct received top industry honors from the Yellow Pages Publishers' Association for outstanding community service as a result of its inclusion of voter registration forms and information in its directories.

"It's wonderful to do something because it's right and it will serve the community," said Jim Logan, U S WEST Direct president. "The decline in citizen participation in the voting process is disturbing. I'm proud that U S WEST Direct can provide important information that facilitates and encourages voter registration."

U S WEST Direct is a wholly owned subsidiary of U S WEST Marketing Resources Group Inc., U S WEST's subsidiary focused on bringing buyers and sellers together. Based in Denver, U S WEST is a diversified telecommunications business that owns companies involved in regional, national, and international markets.

Its businesses include: radio communications, including cellular, paging and personal communications networks; business communications systems sales and service; communications software; cable television; and financial services.

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-30- 2842

#90312p4779 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER, (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Titanium Metals Corp. (TIMET) is now the principal operating unit of Tremont Corp. (NYSE: TRE). Tremont, formerly named Baroid Corp., was renamed on Oct. 29, 1990, when the petroleum services operations of Baroid were spun off in a separate company which has been renamed Bariod. Tremont began trading on the New York Stock Exchange Oct. 30, 1990 under the symbol "TRE". Tremont recently announced third quarter results of $7.2 million consolidated operating income and consolidated operating income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $28.8 million, up 22 percent compared to pro forma consolidated operating income of $23.7 million for the 1989 year-to-date period.

TIMET, headquartered in Denver, is the largest integrated producer of titanium sponge, ingot and mill products outside of the Soviet Union. It has plants in Henderson, Nev.; Toronto, Ohio; and Morristown, Tenn. TIMET has a world wide sales operation including U.S. service centers in East Windsor, Conn.; Milford Ohio; Morristown; O'Fallon, Mo.; Grand Prairie, Texas; and Irvine, Calif. TIMET's three international service centers are located in London; Paris and Dusseldorf, Germany. Construction of the Morristown metal finishing plant and a new technical laboratory in Henderson, Nev, were recently completed.

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-30- 1564

#90312p4782 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Burger King Corporation announced today the purchase of 27 Burger King(R) restaurants from Erin Food Systems, Inc. in New Hampshire and Massachusetts. The $48 million purchase represents one of the largest acquisitions in the history of Burger King Corporation. Burger King Corporation assumes ownership of the restaurants and their related real estate and other assets.

"This agreement not only represents one of our largest acquisitions of company restaurants," said Barry J. Gibbons, chief executive officer, Burger King Corporation, "it demonstrates our continuing commitment to develop the Burger King Brand and the opportunities we see in the Northeast region of the United States."

Burger King has recently developed two other restaurants locations in New Hampshire and will continue to assess growth potential in the area.

The acquisition now positions Burger King Corporation as one of the largest employers in New Hampshire with more than 1,200 employees. The former restaurant employees of Erin Food Systems, Inc. will be offered similar positions within Burger King Corporation.

Burger King Corporation was acquired by Grand Metropolitan in January 1989. One of the United Kingdom's largest international companies, Grand Metropolitan is a world leader in the food, drinks, and retailing businesses. U.S. subsidiaries also include The Pillsbury Company, Haagen-Dazs, Alpo Pet Foods, Carillon Importers, Heublein, Inc., The Paddington Corporation, and Pearle, Inc. Burger King Corporation and its franchisees operate more than 6,000 restaurants in 36 countries worldwide. In Fiscal Year 1989, Burger King had systemwide sales of $5.7 billion.

CONTACT: Joyce Myers or Cori Zywotow of Burger King Corporation, 305-378-7277

-30- 1971

#90312p4784 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

GASTONIA, NC (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Public Service Company of North Carolina, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PSNC), a natural gas utility, today reported operating results for its fiscal year ended September 30, 1990. Operating revenues for fiscal 1990 were $201,940,000, down $11,772,000 or 6 percent as compared to $213,712,000 for fiscal 1989. This decrease in operating revenues was more than offset by a 12 percent or $15,938,000 decrease in the cost of gas as compared to fiscal 1989. This resulted in gross margin of $88,167,000 for

fiscal 1990, a 5 percent increase over $84,001,000 for the prior fiscal year. Other operating expenses and taxes for fiscal 1990 were $64,927,000, a 6 percent increase over $61,081,000 for fiscal 1989. Net income for fiscal 1990 was $12,305,000 as compared to $13,310,000 for the prior fiscal year. Earnings per average common share, based on 9,668,000 average common shares outstanding, were $1.26, as compared to $1.40 for fiscal 1989, based on 9,399,000 average common shares then outstanding.

The decrease in operating revenues was due mainly to reduced quantities of natural gas sold for heating requirements to its higher-margin residential and commercial customers. Quantities of gas sold to these classes of customers decreased 3 percent and 6 percent, respectively, as compared to fiscal 1989. The decrease in quantities sold was due to weather during fiscal 1990 being 14 percent warmer than fiscal 1989. This decrease in operating revenues was somewhat offset by increases in the Company's residential and commercial customer bases of 6 percent and 10 percent, respectively, as compared to last year. Although quantities of gas sold to industrial customers decreased slightly, quantities of transportation gas increased 7 percent as compared to fiscal 1989. Operating revenues also reflect gas rate increases from the Company's latest general rate case, effective November 1989.

The increasing federal deregulation of the natural gas industry and the Company's interstate pipeline supplier's conversion to an open-access carrier increased the Company's transportation of gas purchased by end-users from other suppliers during fiscal 1990. The commodity value of such transportation gas is not included in operating revenues, whereas it is included if gas is purchased and sold by the Company. Quantities of gas transported represented 20 percent or 9,746,000 DT of the Company's fiscal 1990 total volume throughput of 49,974,000 DT, verses 18 percent or 9,097,000 DT of fiscal 1989's total volume throughput of 50,525,000 DT. Importantly, the Company's rate tariffs enable it to earn an equivalent operating margin selling or transporting a given volume of gas.

Public Service Company distributes natural gas to over 230,000 customers in 87 cities, towns and communities in 26 counties ranging from the Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill areas in the northeast; the Concord, Statesville, Gastonia and Forest City areas in the Piedmont; to the Asheville, Hendersonville and Brevard areas in the western part of the state. Public Service Company, through subsidiaries of its wholly-owned subsidiary, PSNC Natural Resources Corporation, also particpates in oil and gas exploration and production, and retails propane gas.

COMPARATIVE RESULTS
(Amounts in Thousands, Except Per Share Data)

	Fourth Quarter		Twelve Months	
Periods Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total volume throughput (DT)	8,180	7,815	49,974	50,525
Operating revenues	$23,316	$23,372	$201,940	$213,712

Gross margin	$10,557	$ 8,894	$ 88,167	$ 84,001
Operating income	$ (553)	$(1,357)	$ 23,240	$ 22,920
Net income	$(3,528)	$(3,975)	$ 12,305	$ 13,310
Earnings for common	$(3,558)	$(4,009)	$ 12,180	$ 13,137
Average common shares	9,762	9,492	9,668	9,399
Earnings per share	$ (.36)	$ (.42)	$ 1.26	$ 1.40
Cash dividends declared per share	$ .275	$ .26	$ 1.085	$ 1.04

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PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - At a news conference today at the Airport Conference Center, David Zielke, Delta Air Lines' district marketing manager, and Bob Woodell, executive director, Port of Portland, announced Delta's plan for a $6.4 million cargo facility at Portland International Airport.

Zielke stated: "The planned expansion, reflecting a strong demand for Delta's cargo product, will be built on a 10-acre parcel of land located east of the Sheraton Hotel along airport way. Delta will lease the land from the Port. The facility including some 85,000 square feet will be used by both our cargo and cabin service departments. Construction is tentatively set to begin in February 1991 with completion expected in fall 1991."

Woodell said, "The Port of Portland is pleased to be working with another Delta expansion project that is mutually productive with many benefits to the community in the future."

Zielke also announced expansion of Delta's Far East services effective Feb. 7, 1991. On this date, Delta will begin service between Portland, Ore., and Nagoya, Japan, with same plane service to Los Angeles. Delta's new Nagoya service will leave Portland at 1 p.m. and arrive in Nagoya at 4:40 p.m. the next day. The return schedule will depart Nagoya at 6:35 p.m., arriving in Portland, Ore., at 10:05 a.m. the same day. These schedules will be operated with L-1011-500 aircraft with economy and business class as well as sleeper seats in first class.

Delta's new MD-11 aircraft will be introduced into its Asian service in the future. The addition of this new aircraft in Portland service will increase Delta's international cargo capacity. "These new facilities and Delta's continuing expansion of service here, plus introduction of the world's newest international airplane, demonstrate Delta's commitment to Portland as a major international gateway, resulting in added economic impact to the state of Oregon and southwest Washington," said Zielke.

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MILPITAS, CA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - ETEQ Microsystems, Inc., a high performance chipset manufacturer, has introduced the Cougar 386/486 chipset. This is the first chipset available that is fully compatible with all known 386DX and i486 systems.

It is no longer necessary for manufacturers to stock two different chipsets for each machine. As a result, there is less ordering, less money tied up in inventory and more flexibility in the manufacturing process.

In addition, the Cougar 386/486 is the first chipset to break the 33 MHz speed barrier supporting speeds to 40 MHz. While most other chipset manufacturers use 1.2 micron technology, the Cougar was produced using 1.0 micron CMOS technology which contributes to its high speed capability.

Designers have incorporated an industry exclusive hardware turbo switching feature into the Cougar 386/486 chipset. This allows users to mix the type and the order of the DRAMs in the system resulting in more configuration options. Users can get up to four blocks of non-cacheable support, and unlike other chipsets, the Cougar 386/486 fully supports a WEITEK 3167/4167 coprocessor without having to use any external PALS.

The Cougar 386/486 chipset was developed to be one of the most reliable components available in the market today. Production runs for the Cougar chipset have been 100 percent tested to assure 100 percent reliability. Cougar chipsets are subjected to functional burn-in at 45!C for 48 hours while being run at 44 MHz, which is well over its production margin.

ETEQ Microsystems is dedicated to providing innovative VLSI products which perform complex logic control functions in high performance personal computers workstations, and office automation tools. Innovative engineering and a strong commitment to provide high-quality, reliable products are the foundation of their company philosophy.

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#90312p4792 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

FINDLAY, OHIO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - William D. Marohn has been elected to the board of directors of Cooper Tire & Rubber Company (NYSE: CTB) effective immediately. Marohn is executive vice president, North American Appliance Group, for Whirlpool Corporation, Benton Harbor, Mich. The announcement was

made today by Cooper's chairman, Ivan W. Gorr.

Marohn joined Whirlpool Corporation in 1964 as an industrial engineer. Over the years Marohn served in a variety of manufacturing and administrative positions throughout Whirlpool and was named to his current post in 1989.

Marohn is vice chairman of the Vitromatic board, a foreign affiliate in Mexico in which Whirlpool holds a significant equity interest. He also serves on the board of directors for Matsushita Floor Care Company, Whirlpool's joint venture partner for floor care.

A native of Toledo, Marohn holds a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Toledo and in 1983 was honored with the distinguished alumnus award from that institution. He served in the United States Air Force Medical Corps during the Berlin Crisis, and was an officer in both the Ohio and Michigan Air National Guard. He is a member of the board of directors of the Mercy-Memorial Medical Center and the Lake Michigan College Education Fund.

The election of Marohn to the Cooper board increases the number of directors to its authorized limit of twelve. Marohn will serve through the company's annual meeting in 1992 at which time he will be eligible for re-election.

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#90312p4795 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

FINDLAY, OHIO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Cooper Tire & Rubber Company (NYSE: CTB) today declared a dividend of 6 cents per share on common stock, par value $1.00, payable Dec. 21, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

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#90312p4801 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - North Star Universal, Inc. (NASDAQ: NSRU) today announced that Paul C. Smith, executive vice president of the company, has resigned as an officer and director. The company said Smith left to pursue other interests.

North Star Universal, Inc. owns and supervises the management of businesses engaged in computer cabling and related services, health care services, and other industries. As a parent company, North Star Universal provides resources for the companies' development and growth. North Star Universal also owns a 50.9 percent majority interest in Michael Foods, Inc. (NASDAQ: MIKL).

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#90312p4805 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Metro Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ: MAIRC) today announced that the company's October traffic set an all time record for the month. Metro flew 56.6 million revenue passenger miles during the month, a 15.8 percent increase from 48.9 million in October 1989. A revenue passenger mile is the equivalent of flying one paying passenger one mile.

Passenger boardings for the month totaled 289,696, up 14.7 percent from 252,504 in October 1989. Metro had 100.5 million available seat miles in October 1990, compared to 87.7 million in 1989, for a 14.6 percent increase. Load factor, or percentage of seats filled by paying passengers, increased to 56.3 percent from 55.7 percent in October 1989.

For the first ten months of 1990, Metro flew 534 million revenue passenger miles, a 35.7 percent increase from 394 million for the same period a year ago and nearly equaling the 545 million flown during the full year 1989. The airline had 960 million available seat miles for the first ten months of 1990, compared to 748 million a year ago, an increase of 28.4 percent. Load factor for the first ten months of 1990 increased 3.0 percentage points to 55.6 percent from 52.6 percent last year. Passenger boardings for the period were 2.8 million, a 36.4 percent increase from 2.1 million a year ago.

Metro Airlines Inc., one of the nation's largest regional airlines, operates over 100 aircraft serving 75 cities in the southwestern and eastern United States and the Caribbean. Metro operates as American Eagle from its Dallas/Fort Worth hub, as Eastern Metro Express at the Atlanta and San Juan hubs, and as TransWorld Express in the northeast.

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#90312p4808 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) agreed to settle for $5 million a lawsuit for breach of fiduciary responsibility filed against the M&I Marshall & Ilsley Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: MRIS) of Milwaukee (M&I). Upon receipt of cash, PBGC will release M&I from all liability to the Wheeling-Pittsburgh pension plans.

The civil lawsuit stemmed from M&I's actions, as master trustee of the

Wheeling-Pittsburgh Corp. (NYSE: QWHX) pension plans, in accepting unmarketable Wheeling-Pittsburgh preferred stock in satisfaction of the company's 1981 pension funding requirements.

PBGC Executive Director James B. Lockhart said, "All pension fund trustees must act in the best interest of the participants in those funds and PBGC will vigorously pursue those who do not."

The transaction's purpose, PBGC contended, was to save cash for Wheeling-Pittsburgh, rather than to benefit its pension plan participants and beneficiaries. The agency further contended that this stock was under the circumstances existing at the time, an imprudent investment of plan assets.

PBGC also contended that acceptance of the stock, valued at $26.4 million in 1982 by Wheeling-Pittsburgh and M&I, was a violation of the prohibited transaction rules of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) because it was not valued correctly by either the named fiduciary or the trustee. Although the plans received $10 million in dividends from the stock, the plans nevertheless lost funds as a result of this transaction because a greater return could have been earned on a prudent investment.

M&I contended that it was not liable for those losses because it was a directed trustee and was following the company's instructions in accepting the stock.

PBGC is a federal agency that guarantees payment of basic retirement benefits earned by American workers participating in private-sector defined benefit pension plans. PBGC administers two insurance programs, which cover nearly 40 million workers in about 100,000 pension plans. PBGC has about $3.2 billion in assets and about $4.2 billion in liabilities.

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#90312p4809 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH GATE, CALIF (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Ultrox International, the operating subsidiary of On-Site Toxic Control Inc. (OTC), unveiled today the first municipal drinking water well restored to state and federal well drinking water standards using the patented Ultrox UV/Oxidation process. The well -- located in South Gate -- was officially placed in service by California State Health Director Dr. Kenneth W. Kizer, M.D., M.P.H. and David B. Fletcher, president of Ultrox.

The South Gate well renewal project is part of an effort funded by the California Department of Health Services and the City of South Gate to

encourage on-site solutions to water pollution problems. The well will reclaim up to 1.5 million gallons of water contaminated by industrial solvents and other chemicals to drinking water purity daily.

Ultrox International is a wholly owned subsidiary of On-Site Toxic Control Inc., which is traded over-the-counter. Ultrox manufactures and sells advanced oxidation water and air purification equipment. Pesticides, PCBs, industrial cleaning solvents, gasoline components and other toxic organics found in ground water, waste water and drinking water wells are destroyed on-site with a patented technique, relieving customers of the long-term liabilities associated with handling, storing and transporting hazardous wastes. There are currently 12 full-scale UV/oxidation facilities nationwide.

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#90312p4815 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Chieftain International Inc. (Alberta Toronto, AMEX: CID) expects to achieve strong financial results in 1990. Chieftain International President S.A. Milner told an oil and gas symposium sponsored by the American Stock Exchange today in Calgary that the company's cash flow in 1990 should be approximately C$36 million (US$31 million). The company's cash flow last year was C$10.9 million (US$9.4 million) for the period April 20 to Dec. 31, 1989.

Milner said the company is benefitting from both higher prices and sales of natural gas in the Gulf of Mexico. He said gas sales are expected to average 63 million cubic feet per day (mmcf) during the last three months of 1990 compared with 32.7 mmcf per day during the third quarter.

The company outlined an aggressive exploration program, involving 20 exploration prospects offshore and onshore in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico area scheduled during the balance of 1990 and 1991. Milner said Chieftain International will spend approximately C$35 million (US$30 million) in exploration and development activities this year with similar levels anticipated during 1991.

Chieftain International is an Edmonton-based oil and gas exploration company active offshore and onshore in the Gulf of Mexico region of the United States. The company's common shares, of which 9,487,500 are outstanding, are listed on the American, Toronto and Alberta Stock Exchanges.

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#90312p4816 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVER, PA. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pennsylvania Reserve Fund Inc. of Beaver, Pa., announced the purchase of its stock by the individual partners of the Wellington Group Partnership, Wexford, Pa.

The Pennsylvania Reserve Fund Inc. was formed in 1984 by Janice E. Banyasz as an FHA and VA mortgagee. It received direct endorsement underwriter status from the FHA in 1987. From that point onward, Pennsylvania Reserve Fund consistently ranked among the top five FHA mortgagees in western Pennsylvania, and its operation eventually expanded to include 40 percent of total loan volume in conventional loans.

The Wellington Group is a general partnership consisting of six individuals: J. Thomas Churan, Edward L. Shapiro, James D. Moore, Robert P. Churan, Scott Messer and Ralph E. Lovejoy II. The partnership was formed to oversee the group's various operating companies, which include a number of Pennsylvania manufacturing companies and several real estate development companies specializing in residential housing.

Robert P. Churan, of the Wellington Group and former senior vice president of commercial lending for Reeves Bank, was elected chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the Pennsylvania Reserve Fund Inc.

Jerry W. Brown, formerly associated with the First National Bank of Western Pennsylvania, was elected president and chief operating officer. David A. Moore was appointed to the position of executive vice president, and Susan Ranieri was appointed underwriter.

Banyasz remains with the corporation as a consultant and designated endorser for FHA.

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#90312p4817 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Maytag Corp.'s board of directors decided today that the firm's 1990 total dividend payout would be 95 cents a share, the same as it has been since 1987.

To achieve this, the board declared a regular quarterly dividend of 22.5 cents a share payable Dec. 15, and a traditional year-end supplemental dividend, amounting to 5 cents a share, payable at the same time. The record date for both dividends is Nov. 30.

In announcing the dividends, board Chairman Daniel J. Krumm said, "During

difficult economic times we have always tried to maintain a reasonable degree of stability in our dividends, because we believe that's important to our shareowners, many of whom are employees as well.

"I'm pleased we were able to preserve our dividend level this year, because that's becoming more and more difficult to do in today's challenging business environment. In the months ahead, Maytag's board will continue to evaluate the appropriateness of the dividend in the context of current and anticipated economic conditions."

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ST. LOUIS, (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Edison Brothers Stores, Inc., (NYSE: EBS) has authorized the purchase from time to time of up to one million shares of the company's common stock. This is in addition to the authorization to purchase up to one million shares announced on Sept. 6, 1990. The purchase of those shares has been substantially completed.

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#90312p4823 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOMERVILLE, NJ (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Hoechst Celanese Corporation today announced third-quarter net earnings of $49 million on net sales of $1.4 billion.

Dr. Ernest H. Drew, Hoechst Celanese president and chief executive officer, said, "We experienced lower earnings this quarter because of the continued slowdown in the economy, which has affected many of the markets we serve."

Hoechst Celanese continues, however, to make acquisitions that strengthen some of its core areas, says Drew. Acquisitions completed in the third quarter include the purchase of Monofilaments Inc. of Waynesboro, Va., and the polypropylene cigarette tow business of Hercules Corporation.

In the Hoechst Celanese Fibers and Film Group, sales were affected by continued weakness in the apparel, home fashions and housing markets. This sales decrease was partially offset by continuing strong worldwide demand for filter products and acetate products.

In the third quarter, capacity increases for cellulose acetate tow and flake were announced for plants in the United States, Belgium, Canada, Mexico, and the People's Republic of China. In Film and Fiber Intermediates, results from majority-owned Cape Industries were affected by lower sales volumes and a

continuing decline in export pricing.

In the chemical group, favorable volumes in vinyl acetate and acetic anhydride partially offset the effects of the continuing softening of ethylene oxide/glycol selling prices.

In specialty chemicals, volumes improved in dyes, surfactants and superabsorbent materials compared to the third quarter last year. A smooth relocation of specialty chemicals sales, marketing and administration personnel from Portsmouth, Va., and Somerville, N.J., to Charlotte, N.C., occurred during the third quarter.

Advanced Materials sales were impacted by weaknesses in the automobile, housing and electronics industries. Hoechst Celanese announced during the third quarter its intention to build a joint- venture plant to produce Fortron(R) polyphenylene sulfide in the United States with Kureha Chemical Industry Company, Ltd., of Japan.

The Hoechst Celanese Advanced Technology Group in the quarter filed a baked goods petition with the Federal Food and Drug Administration for its Sunette(R) sweetener. In addition, the Sunette business unit moved into its new quarters in Somerset, N.J.

In the life sciences group, net sales were lower than those for the same period last year because of strong sales in 1989 of Trental(R) hemorrheologic in anticipation of an early fourth-quarter price increase. However, net sales for Life Sciences in the first nine months of 1990 exceeded those of 1989 because of increased sales for Claforan(R) antibiotic, DiaBeta(R) oral antidiabetic, and Lasix(R) diuretic.

Hoechst Celanese is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hoechst AG of Germany, with leading positions in chemicals, fibers, advanced materials and technologies and life sciences. Its 1989 sales were $6 billion, placing Hoechst Celanese 77th on the Fortune 100 list.

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#90312p4828 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Dallas-based United Medicorp Inc. (NASDAQ: UMCI) announced today the signing of an agreement with Howard University Hospital in Washington D.C. The agreement is for UMC's PROVE-IT! service, in connection with the processing and management of the hospital's insurance claims. Based on UMC's current rate of collections, UMC estimates that the initial phase of the agreement with Howard University should generate between $1 million and $1,500,000 of revenue during the next 90 to 120 days. UMC anticipates the second phase of the agreement could result in additional

revenues of approximately $3 million during 1991. Howard University Hospital is recognized as one of the premier teaching facilities in the United States.

United Medicorp Inc. provides medical insurance claims processing, management, collection and advance funding services to health care providers nationwide. UMC employs internally developed, proprietary electronic computer technologies to address claims management and cash flow needs of its customers who are primarily hospitals, medical clinics and physicians.

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#90312p4831 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - United States Cellular Corporation (AMEX: USM) today reported a 56 percent increase in service revenues and a 43 percent decrease in the company's operating loss for the third quarter of 1990.

Service revenues for the first nine months of 1990 increased approximately 73 percent to $39.4 million from $22.8 million last year. The operating loss fell 40 percent to $6.1 million from $10.2 million while the net loss dropped 20 percent to $10.3 million from $12.8 million. The net loss was $0.36 per share for the first nine months of 1990 against a loss of $0.45 per share in the 1989 comparable period.

"During the third quarter we continued to expand all aspects of the business," noted H. Donald Nelson, president and chief executive officer. "Customers and revenues in existing markets, and markets in operation increased during the quarter, and I expect continued expansion during the remainder of 1990."

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, service revenues increased 56 percent to $14.6 million, vs. $9.4 million in the same quarter of 1989. Nelson attributed the service revenue growth to continued increases in customers served. Customers served in majority owned and managed markets totaled 48,700 at Sept. 30, 1990, a 61 percent increase over a year ago.

The operating loss fell 43 percent to $2 million compared to $3.5 million in 1989. The company's net loss for the period was unchanged at $4.2 million, or $0.15 per share.

"The operating results show continued improvement in the Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs), due to growth of the customer base, partially offset by expenses related to initiation of service in the Rural Service Areas (RSAs) " noted Nelson.

During the quarter, the company initiated service in three RSAs, including two that are included in the consolidated results. The company also initiated service in one RSA owned by a third party which the company is managing. In

total, the company was managing systems serving six RSAs as of Sept. 30, 1990.

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#90312p4832 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

PEMBROKE PINES, FL (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Decorator Industries Inc. (AMEX: DII), which manufacturers draperies, bedspreads and other accessories for the hospitality (motel/hotel), health care, recreational vehicle and mobile manufactured home industries, today reported its results for the third quarter of 1990.

William Bassett, president, reported that net income from continuing operations for the third quarter of 1990 of $67,691, or 6 cents per share, was over 80 percent higher than last year's comparable results. Sales of $5,050,087 were slightly lower than those reported a year ago.

He advised that during the quarter the company completed the closing of the Thomasville, Ga., plant, which was the final step in its planned plant consolidations.

DECORATOR INDUSTRIES INC.

Consolidated Report of Sales and Earnings (A)

Period	Third Quarter		Nine Months	
Ended	9/29/90	9/30/89	9/29/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$5,050,087	$5,149,901	$16,335,845	$17,147,422
Inc. from cont. operations	67,691	37,033	200,379	419,493
Loss on discont. operations	--	(99,133)	--	(253,987)
Net income (loss)	67,691	(62,100)	200,379	165,506
Inc. from cont. oper. per share	$0.06	$0.03	$0.19	$0.40
Loss on discont. oper. per share	--	$(0.09)	--	$(0.24)
Total primary earnings (loss) per share	$0.06	$(0.06)	$0.19	$0.16
Fully diluted earings (loss) per share	$0.06	$(0.06)	$0.19	$0.15
Average number of shares outstand.	1,054,361	1,046,861	1,054,361	1,046,861

(A) Unaudited

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#90312p4837 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. (NYSE: MER) today announced a realignment of its private client division's domestic management structure, including the appointment of three senior vice presidents, national sales, to further streamline the organization and enhance client focus.

William A. Schreyer, chairman and chief executive officer, and Daniel P. Tully president and chief operating officer, said the action follows a management realignment by Merrill Lynch which established six core business divisions, including private client, and has similar objectives.

"This new structure will eliminate a layer of management and place senior managers closer to the point of contact with our more than 4 million domestic clients, shorten the lines of communication, speed decision-making, and enhance our ability to deliver the highest quality service," said John L. Steffens, executive vice president, private client division.

The new structure replaces the existing one, which included eight regional directors reporting to a senior vice president for national sales.

Under the new structure, Thomas O. Muller III, James F. Shoaf and Winthrop H. Smith Jr. will become senior vice presidents of national sales, working together as a team to manage the nationwide delivery of products and services to clients.

Muller was previously regional director of the north central region, Shoaf was regional director, southeast region and Smith was regional director, mid-Atlantic region.

The remaining regional directors will assume new duties as follows: James A. Billington, regional director, southern California, will assume district management responsibilities in the greater Los Angeles area; W. Kenneth Carlson, regional director, Florida, will assist in the implementation of the new structure throughout Florida until next April, when he plans to retire; Jerome J. Donovan, regional director, northeast, will assume district management responsibilities in the greater New York area; Peter Sansevero, regional director, northern California, will assume district management responsibilities in the greater San Francisco area; and Robert D. Sherman, regional director, Texas, will assume district management responsibilities in that state.

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Merrill Lynch.

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#90312p4838 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (Conrail) (NYSE: CRR) today announced plans to establish a centralized customer service facility in the Pittsburgh area.

Conrail plans to move initial operations into the new National Customer Service Center in the second half of 1991. When the transfers are completed in 1993, more than 800 Conrail employees are expected to be based at the center. In addition to the more than 100 Customer Service Department employees now based in the Pittsburgh area, Conrail employees at similar facilities in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, New York, Ohio and Pennsylvania will have the opportunity to transfer to the new facility.

"Centralization will produce significant benefits for Conrail and our customers," said James A. Hagen, Conrail's chairman, president and chief executive officer. "The new center will allow Conrail to become more customer focused, improving the quality of our rail freight service. The centralized National Customer Service Center also will allow us to support our national account teams with increased technology, training and other advantages."

Hagen said the selection followed a careful study and examination of several possible locations. "We appreciate the efforts of all the states and communities working with us through the search process. All of the locations we evaluated had their own unique advantages, but on balance, we found that the Pittsburgh area best satisfied Conrail's needs," Hagen said.

"In addition to meeting all our technical requirements, the Pittsburgh area is centrally situated in relation to our existing locations, so that we will be able to achieve maximum continuity of customer service personnel. The Customer Service Center will be convenient to Greater Pittsburgh International Airport and to our other major area facilities, including Conway Yard in Beaver County and Pittsburgh Division headquarters in Green Tree. Other factors we considered included quality of life, operating costs, real estate options and business resources," Hagen said.

Conrail operates a rail freight transportation network in 14 Northeastern and Midwestern states, the District of Columbia, and the Province of Quebec.

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#90312p4839 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - ABB Robotics Inc. (ABB) said today it

has completed the previously announced acquisition of Cincinnati Milacron Inc.'s (CMI) (NYSE: CMZ) industrial robot business. With the acquisition, ABB said it has become one of the largest American suppliers of industrial robot systems.

Industrial robots are used in a wide range of industrial and automotive applications, including welding, material handling, machine tending, assembly, painting and other industrial processes.

ABB said it plans to continue CMI's robot product line and robotic systems. ABB also will maintain their customer service operation, including field service, rebuild and refurbishment, training and parts replacement.

With the acquisition, ABB Robotics employs about 2,000 people, 300 of them in the U.S. The relocation of key executives and other employees from CMI's offices in Greenwood, S.C., to ABB Robotics headquarters in New Berlin, Wisc., and a facility in Rochester Hills, Mich. is expected to be completed by year-end.

CMI has developed highly regarded robot-based automation, particularly in spotwelding for the automotive industry. ABB has been most successful in providing non-spotwelding flexible automation systems and arc welding. In 1989, ABB also acquired a Toledo-based company to provide a painting robot line, now known as ABB Robotics Finishing Inc.

ABB said the acquisition of the CMI robot line will add to its sales and application expertise. The company said it also will further broaden its extensive customer service operation, which will be consolidated at its Rochester Hills, Mich. facility.

ABB Robotics is a unit of Asea Brown Boveri Inc., which provides products and services for the power, process, industrial automation, environmental control, transportation and other markets. ABB Inc. has sales of approximately $6 billion and some 30,000 employees in the U.S.

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#90312p4841 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, CO. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Satellite Information Systems Co. (SISCOM) (NASDAQ: SATI), a leading supplier of broadcast newsroom automation systems, today announced improved results for its first quarter ended Sept. 30 1990.

The company reported a 75 percent increase in revenue for the quarter to $763,000 from $437,000 in the like quarter a year ago. This increase enabled

SISCOM to significantly reduce its net loss for the quarter to $20,000, or 1 cent per share, from a net loss of $144,000, or 5 cents per share, in the comparable period last year.

During the quarter, SISCOM completed three sales of its NewsPro(TM) newsroom automation system as compared to one sale in the first quarter last year. In addition to sales to new customers in the broadcast industry, SISCOM provided several existing customers with NewsPro upgrades during the quarter. The quarter-to-quarter product revenue comparison showed NewsPro software revenue of $412,000 versus $61,000, hardware revenue of $267,000 versus $31,000, and standard product revenue of $5,000 vesus $11,000. Software services revenue, formerly a substantial component of the revenue mix, decreased to $78,000 from $334,000. This is due to the recent successful completion of an ongoing software services contract with the Associated Press. However, the NewsPro maintenance portion of software services revenue more than doubled, to $71,000 from $35,000.

Mike Ellis, president of SISCOM, said the increase in NewsPro sales reflects efforts made over the past 12 months to enhance and expand the software's capabilities. "Over the past year SISCOM's software engineers have made substantial improvements to a product that already was the finest in the industry," Ellis said. "We're getting very positive feedback not only from new and existing customers but from sources throughout the industry."

NewsPro automates the editorial and production control aspects of broadcast news operations, and additionally provides information management facilities for use by organizations in the print media, public affairs, press relations and image industries. SISCOM has broadcast customers affiliated with the three major networks -- NBC, ABC, and CBS -- as well as with cable-based television, radio broadcasters and independent broadcast organizations. The company has 24 NewsPro installations in the U.S., Canada, Europe, Japan and Australia.

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#90312p4844 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of an accelerated effort to expand its business nationally, Norwest Equipment Finance has named James R. Renner to a new position as vice president, corporate development. He was president of FBS Leasing Corporation and executive vice president of FBS Business Finance Corporation, based in Minneapolis.

Dan Leclerc, president of Norwest Equipment Finance, a unit of Norwest Bank Minnesota's corporate banking group, said Renner "will spearhead efforts to expand the company's delivery system and head a nationwide acquisition search

for equipment leasing and financing portfolios."

Norwest Equipment Finance, headquartered in Minneapolis, has offices in Billings, Denver, Des Moines, Fargo, Milwaukee, and Omaha. It specializes in financing equipment for data processing, transportation, telecommunications, agriculture, construction, and other industries.

Renner worked with Irving Trust Company in New York before returning to Minneapolis to join First Bank Systems in 1972. In 1974 he moved to FBS Financial in its real estate division and the following year helped organize the leasing company. He became general manager of FBS Leasing in 1978 and president in 1979.

Renner serves on the board of directors of the American Association of Equipment Lessors Foundation and is a former board member of the American Association of Equipment Lessors.

Norwest Bank Minnesota is the largest banking affiliate of Norwest Corporation (NYSE: NOB), a $26.7 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking-related and specialized financial services through more than 1,300 offices in 47 states and internationally.

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#90312p4848 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The merger of H.H. Robertson Co., (NYSE: RHH) Pittsburgh, and Ceco Industries Inc., Oakbrook Terrace, Ill, was approved today by shareholders of the two companies in separate meetings.

Today's action ratifies an agreement to merge, announced on May 21. The companies expect that the merger could be consummated as early as today or Friday.

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#90312p4850 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Research, Inc. (NYSE: CYR) announced today the first sale of its new CRAY Y-MP2E system. Chrysler Corp. has ordered a new CRAY Y-MP2E, to be installed during the fourth quarter at the company's engineering center in Highland Park, Mich.

Chrysler's new CRAY Y-MP2E system, an upgrade from a CRAY X-MP14se system,

will be used for general automotive applications including structural analysis and design, computational fluid dynamics, and crash simulation.

The CRAY Y-MP2E system will use the powerful UNICOS operating system, based on AT&T's UNIX System V.

Cray Research has 258 systems installed worldwide including 20 systems at 17 automotive companies around the world.

Cray Research, Inc. designs, manufactures, markets, and supports large-scale, high-performance computers for scientific and engineering applications.

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#90312p4851 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The 1,675 employees of TransCanada PipeLines (Toronto, Vancouver, Montreal, Alberta: TRP) announced that their president and chief executive officer, Gerald J. Maier, is to be presented today with the Canadian Council of Professional Engineers 1990 Gold Medal Award.

The award, to be conferred at the CCPE board of directors meeting in Ottawa, is given in recognition of work-related achievements, service to the profession, to the community, to society at large and to the enhancement of the quality of life. The CCPE is a national professional body which represents more than 140,000 professional engineers in Canada, including many of TransCanada's employees.

Maier was previously honored in 1987 with the University of Alberta Professional Achievement Award. In 1987, he was named a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Engineering.

In addition to his professional accomplishments, Maier's commitment to the community has been expressed in many volunteer hours spent on boards of directors of charitable and cultural organizations. Of particular note is his personal leadership in TransCanada's corporate donations program.

It seems particularly appropriate to his fellow employees at TransCanada that Maier has been awarded the CCPE Gold Medal as he leads the company into an important era of expansion and service to the North American natural gas market. This expansion is a major work of engineering involving the design and construction of pipeline and compression using the latest in advanced technology.

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#90312p4852 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Alfa-Laval, the large Swedish-based food, industrial and agricultural equipment company, said income after financial income and expense rose 16 percent in the nine months ended Sept. 30. Operating income after depreciation was up 14 percent and the order backlog at the close of the period was 24 percent higher than a year earlier.

The company said its earlier forecast of a 15 percent increase in sales for the full year 1990, with an increase in earnings of approximately the same size, remains valid.

The group's invoiced sales in the first nine months this year amounted to SEK 11.91 billion, 17 percent higher than sales of SEK 10.20 billion in the comparable period a year earlier. Order bookings rose 15 percent, from SEK 11.71 billion to SEK 13.42 billion.

Alfa-Laval said income after financial income and expense in the first three quarters was SEK 1,048 million, as against SEK 907 million a year earlier. Operating income after depreciation was SEK 953 million, compared with SEK 837 million in the year-earlier period. Income per share for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was SEK 17.40, compared with SEK 14.90 in the preceding 12-month period. After extraordinary items, income per share for the most recent 12-month reporting period was SEK 18.30, compared with SEK 14.90 for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1989. All per-share results are reported after full conversion of convertible debentures and options.

Alfa-Laval said operating income for the nine-month period in its industry operating sector was up 14 percent on a 14 percent rise in sales. Operating income in the food sector rose 44 percent on a 24 percent gain in sales. In the agri sector, operating income increased 21 percent on 17 percent higher sales.

The group noted that order bookings in the third quarter were 13 percent higher than year earlier but that there were increasing signs of weakening economic conditions in important markets.

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#90312p4858 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA ANA, CA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Imagineering Technology Ltd. today announced that Ingram Micro D Inc. of Santa Ana, and First Pacific Company Ltd. of Hong Kong propose to make a takeover offer for Imagineering Technology, which, if successful, would see Imagineering Technology, the

largest Australasian distributor of technology products, join forces with Ingram Micro D, the world's largest distributor of microcomputer products.

Ingram Micro D and First Pacific Company will make a joint Part A takeover offer for all the ordinary shares in Imagineering Technology to which First Pacific Company is not presently entitled. The offer price will be 60 cents per fully paid share and will be paid either wholly in cash or by way of a combination of cash and securities.

Further details on the takeover offer are set out in the Australian Stock Exchange announcement. (To follow this release.)

Imagineering Technology's core business is its Computer Products distribution, operating in eight countries throughout Asia as "Imagineering" and in Australia and New Zealand as "Tech Pacific, representing leading industry suppliers such as Sun Microsystems, Western Digital, Ashton-Tate, Lotus Development, 3Com, and exclusively throughout the region Intel PCEO, Plus Development and through its affiliate, Borland Pacific, the Borland range of software.

Imagineering also has other significant distribution businesses in Australia and New Zealand - Ozi Soft, which distributes home entertainment hardware and software and has 70 percent of the Australian market, and Imagineering Telecommunications, which distributes PABX systems as well as car and hand-held cellular phones of which it has a 30 percent market share in Australia.

The company's estimated turnover for the year ending Dec. 31, 1990, is Australian $260 million.

"Imagineering will be Ingram Micro D's exclusive distribution arm in the Pacific Rim," stated Chip Lacy, chief executive officer of Ingram Micro D. "The Imagineering investment is an integral part of the Ingram Micro D mission to build the preeminent worldwide microcomputer distributor."

Graham Pickles, group managing director of Imagineering Technology, said, "Ingram Micro D would be a valuable partner that will add further strength to the Imagineering Group and no doubt consolidate its position as the leading distributor of technology products in the Pacific Rim.

CONTACT: Graham Pickles, group managing director of Imagineering Technology Ltd. Australia, 612-697-8666; Linwood A. (Chip) Lacy Jr., chairman and CEO of Ingram Micro D Inc. USA, 714-540-4781; or Edward A. Tortorici, executive chairman of Imagineering Technology Ltd. and executive director of First Pacific Company Ltd. Hong Kong, 011-852-842-4388.

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#90312p4869 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Centocor Inc. (NASDAQ: CNTO) today reported that third quarter 1990 product sales increased 22 percent over third quarter 1989 levels to $8.7 million.

Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was approximately $13,000. Results for the quarter included a pre-tax gain of approximately $3.2 million from the sale of the company's holding in Dianon Systems in Stratford, Conn.

During the third quarter, Centocor was pleased to supply Centoxin(R) on pre-approval basis for the U.S. armed forces stationed in the Middle East. Centoxin(R) is a human monoclonal antibody pharmaceutical for the treatment of gram negative sepsis and septic shock, deadly conditions which can occur frequently in battlefield injuries. Applications for approval to market Centoxin(R) are currently under review by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and European regulatory authorities.

Centocor Inc., based in Malvern, develops, manufactures and markets diagnostic and pharmaceutical products for human health care. The company's products are based on monoclonal antibody technology and are primarily intended for use in the management of patients with infectious, cardiovascular and autoimmune disease and cancer.

CENTOCOR INC.
Summary of Operations
(In thousands, except for per-share amounts)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Sales	$8,693	$7,103	$24,865	$20,105
Research and development	9,266	11,432	22,732	29,515
Total	17,959	18,535	47,597	49,620
Costs and expenses	23,046	19,021	62,437	51,488
Other income, net (A)	5,108	563	16,944	2,067
Income before income taxes	21	77	2,104	199
Net income	13	35	155	89
Net income per share	--	--	$.01	$.01
Weighted average shares	13,909	11,641	12,636	11,579

(A) Other income, net for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, includes a gain of $3.2 million from the sale of the company's holdings in Dianon Systems. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, other income, net also includes a gain of approximately $9.7 million from the sale of the company's holdings of Repligen Corp. common stock.

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#90312p4872 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
SCRANTON, PA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Gov. Robert P. Casey today hailed the decision of Consolidated Rail Corp. (Conrail) (NYSE: CRR) to locate its new national customer service center in the Pittsburgh area.

"This is welcome news for Pennsylvania because it puts the Commonwealth once again in the forefront of job creation and economic development," Casey said. "Conrail carefully studied sites throughout the country. I am very pleased that Conrail concluded Pennsylvania is the right place for this center. This decision is testimony to the fact that Pennsylvania has both a skilled and dedicated workforce, and a business climate that is most attractive.

"Conrail long has had a strong presence in Pennsylvania, as exemplified by its corporate headquarters in Philadelphia and its repair and maintenance shops in Altoona. Locating this consolidated customer service center in southwestern Pennsylvania further enhances that presence and is a real tribute to our state. We stand ready and committed, through the work of the Governor's Response Team, to assist Conrail in achieving this centralization."

Although Conrail has not made a final decision exactly where in the Pittsburgh area it will establish the operation, plans are to move into the new service facility in the second half of 1991. The facility will employ 800 people.

Conrail officials have said that customer service department employees now based at ten regional services in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, New York, Ohio and Pennsylvania will have the opportunity to transfer to the new center.

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#90312p4874 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
LYNNFIELD, MASS. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - John Dickman, president of Braun Inc. will retire from the company effective Jan. 1, 1991, it was announced today by Robert Wagar, executive director, Group Sales Overseas Operations. Dickman who has served as president of Braun Inc. since its inception in 1984 and been associated with Braun's parent-company, The Gillette Company (NYSE: GS), for over 30 years, will be succeeded by Jorgen Wedel, managing director of Braun UK.

Dickman first joined Braun six years ago when it was a one-man shop with the task of establishing the U.S. distribution affiliate for the West German-based company's line of quality European-designed electric shavers, household, personal care and clock products. Since that time, Braun has grown to more than 100 employees and become on the of the nation's leading small appliance companies. To date, the company has sold more than 10 million products in the

U.S. and increased sales to well over $100 million.

"John has built Braun in the U.S. from the ground-up and has put into place a strong operating team, well-suited for the challenges of the 1990's," said Wagar. "He has also been instrumental in the formation of Braun Inc.'s marketing approach, a successful strategy that combines quality products with a commitment to strong advertising. Braun is now one of the best-distributed, most well-respected small appliance brands in the U.S."

Prior to joining Braun, Dickman, a resident of Manchester, Mass., began his career with Gillette in sales. After numerous management positions, he served as vice president of sales of the Personal Care Division of Gillette until he joined Braun in 1984.

Jorgen Wedel assumes the position as president on Jan. 1, 1991. Wedel, a career-veteran of Braun, first joined the company in 1974 as product manager in his native Denmark and later supervised the shaver business management group at Braun's corporate headquarters in Kronberg, West Germany, before being appointed general manager of Braun Denmark. He has served as managing director of Braun UK for the past four years.

Braun AG, a subsidiary of The Gillette Company, manufactures a high quality, European-designed line of electric shavers, household, personal care and clock products which have worldwide distribution. Braun Inc., an affiliate of the West German-based Braun AG, is headquartered in Lynnfield, Mass.

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#90312p4875 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Foote, Cone & Belding Communications, Inc. (NYSE:FCB) today reported net income increased 22 percent in the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, while consolidated revenues rose 11 percent for the period. For the nine-month period, earnings of $11,912,000, or $1.16 per share in 1990, were slightly ahead of comparable 1989 results of $11,655,000 or $1.15 per share.

Third Quarter Results Net income for the third quarter was $3,097,000, an increase of 22 percent over net income of $2,537,000 for the same period a year ago. Per share earnings for the 1990 third quarter were $.30, compared to $.25 for the 1989 period.

Revenues for the consolidated portion of FCB's operations totaled $86,318,000, up 11 percent from 1989 third quarter revenues of $77,752,000. FCB's proportionate share of European revenues (not consolidated) increased to $42,532,000, compared to $32,539,000 in 1989.

Operating margins for consolidated operations were $7,544,000, compared to $7,631,000 in the prior year's quarter. Improved margins in U.S. operations were offset by lower international margins, particularly in Brazil and Australia.

Equity income, which consists primarily of FCB's share of European operations, was $565,000 in 1990, compared to a loss of $1,223,000 in 1989. The 1990 results are due both to improvement in European operating performance and a reduction in the agency rationalization expenses that were necessary in 1989.

Nine Months Results Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $11,912,000 or $1.16 per share, compared to $11,655,000 or $1.15 per share in 1989. The improvement was registered in spite of the inclusion in 1989 results of a non-operating gain of $880,000, or $.09 a share, net of transactions that primarily included the sale of Golin/Harris Communications, Inc.

Consolidated revenues of $243,228,000 in 1990, compared to $234,717,000 in 1989, up 6.1 percent after adjusting for the divestiture of Golin/Harris. FCB's proportionate share of European revenues increased from $106,953,000 in 1989 to $133,499,000 in 1990.

Other expense was $3,734,000 in 1990, compared to $1,445,000 in 1989, reflecting the substantial cash payments made in April 1989 to complete the Publicis Alliance, and increased year-to-year borrowings beginning in the second quarter of 1989. At the same time, FCB's short- term investment program, which has since been significantly reduced, showed particularly strong results in the first quarter of 1989.

FCB is the fourth-largest communications agency company in North America, and the seventh-largest worldwide. Its global network includes 153 offices in 40 countries, with 1989 billings (including the Publicis- FCB European network) of $4.6 billion.

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#90312p4877 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Piedmont Management Company Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PMAN) today reported a loss of $0.16 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with earnings of $0.17 per share for the 1989 period. For the nine months, earnings were $0.55 per share compared to $1.42 in the prior year. Details follows:

-- Excluding the effects of realized capital and losses, operating income improved to $1.8 million, $0.34 per share, for the third quarter of 1990 in

comparison to a loss of $1.5 million, $0.29 per share, for the same period a year ago. For the nine months, operating income improved to $5.3 million, $0.99 per share, in comparison to $3.5 million, $0.66 per share, in 1989. Net realized capital losses, net of tax, for the 1990 third quarter and nine months, were $0.50 and $0.44 per share, respectively. This compares to net realized capital gains, net of tax, for the 1989 third quarter and nine months of $0.46 and $0.76 per share, respectively.

-- RECO's combined ratio of 115.2 percent in the third quarter was an improvement over the same period of a year ago when significant record-setting catastrophe losses were incurred. For the nine months, the combined ratio was 119.6 percent, virtually unchanged from a year ago.

-- Pre-tax net investment income for the nine months, $18.6 million, was also unchanged from the same period in 1989, although for the quarter pre-tax net investment income was $5.5 million, a 19.4 percent decrease compared to 1989. The combination of an $800,000 foreign exchange loss in RECO's U.K. portfolio of investments and negative cash flow from underwriting operations were the main reasons for the decline in comparison to a year ago.

-- Investment advisory pre-tax operating income lags the results of the third quarter and nine months of 1989. Although management fee revenues are up 5.5 percent in the quarter and 7.5 percent for the nine months, these increases are behind the 1990 forecast. The shortfall in operating income has been caused by a combined lack of growth in new investment counseling business, a depreciation in mutual fund asset values brought on by the recent turbulence in the capital markets, and an increase in operating costs.

-- Consolidated assets were $427.3 million on Sept. 30, 1990, and stockholders' equity was $104.5 million. Book value per share was $19.70 as of Sept. 30, 1990, down from $21.00 at the end of 1989.

Piedmont Management Company Inc. is a financial services company whose principal subsidiaries include The Reinsurance Corporation of New York (RECO), a property and casualty reinsurer, and Lexington Management Corporation, an investment advisory and mutual fund distribution company.

PIEDMONT MANAGEMENT COMPANY INC.
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months 1990	Three months 1989	Nine months 1990	Nine months 1989
Reinsurance operations:				
Net premiums earned	$22,287,035	$25,201,398	$63,624,996	$74,784,605
Net investment inc.	5,494,662	6,820,485	18,571,542	18,591,251
Total revenues	27,781,697	32,021,883	82,196,538	93,375,856
Losses and loss adjustment expenses	20,291,802	26,935,762	57,644,305	66,962,258
Acquisition and				

other expenses	5,374,644	7,622,882	18,462,187	22,535,973
Total expenses	25,666,446	35,558,644	76,106,492	89,498,231
Realized capital gains (losses)	(2,916,022)	3,051,760	(2,449,709)	5,088,988
Reinsurance operating income (loss)	(800,771)	514,999	3,640,337	8,966,613
Investment advisory opers.: Fees earned and other income	4,101,541	3,888,193	12,254,068	11,399,767
Service and marketing costs	3,885,292	3,298,220	11,483,390	10,539,286
Investment advisory operating income	216,249	589,973	770,678	860,481
Parent company: Investment and other income	183,796	210,386	581,082	793,394
Realized capital loss	(431,518)	--	(491,608)	--
Interest expense	411,475	497,816	1,239,150	1,518,427
Other corporate exp.	554,671	582,884	1,705,960	1,804,707
Parent company operating loss	(1,213,868)	(870,314)	(2,855,636)	(2,529,740)
Equity in net earnings of investees	419,000	503,982	1,538,398	1,904,718
Provision (credit) for taxes on operations	(530,268)	(178,791)	113,323	1,609,632
Net income (loss)	(849,022)	917,431	2,980,454	7,592,440
Net income (loss) per share	$(.16)	$.17	$.55	$1.42

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#90312p4879 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHESDA, MD (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Hanger Orthopedic Group, Inc. announced today that the NASDAQ trading symbol for its common stock will change from "HOGG" to "HNGR" effective at the opening of business on Monday, Nov. 12, 1990.

Hanger Orthopedic Group, Inc. is a Delaware corporation that is engaged in providing patient care services and products to the orthotic and prosthetic segment of the rehabilitation health care industry.

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#90312p4882 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Aloette Cosmetics Inc. (NASDAQ: ALET) announced today that it is engaging in a repurchase program of up to 150,000

shares of the company's common stock in the open market from time to time.

The company's president and chief operating officer stated: "We feel that the stock is a good investment for the company at its current levels."

CONTACT: Jean M. Lewis of Aloette Cosmetics, 215-644-8200.

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#90312p4883 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP) today declared quarterly cash dividends on the company's outstanding common stock, Class A common stock and publicly held preferred stock and set Nov. 30, 1990, as the record date for determining holders entitled to receive the payments on these issues.

Payments of dividends are scheduled as follows:

Stock	Quarterly amount per share	Payment date
Common stock	10 cents	Jan. 1, 1991
Class A	9 cents	Jan. 1, 1991
$1.19 Series A convertible preferred	29-3/4 cents	Dec. 15, 1990
$1.83 Series B convertible preferred	45-3/4 cents	Dec. 15, 1990

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#90312p4887 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Oncotech Inc. announced that it is postponing its initial public offering due to poor market conditions and that the company will remain privately held for the forseeable future.

Oncotech Inc., based in Irvine, is a clinical laboratory and drug development services company. The company has developed and is marketing two assay technologies to further its objectives of improving the selection of chemotherapy for cancer patients and expediting the development process for new anticancer drugs. These assays, conducted on human tumor specimens, can predict instances of resistance in patients' tumors to various anticancer agents and provide other information useful both to physicians in selecting from available forms of cancer therapy and to drug developers in determining the potential efficacy of new anticancer agents.

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#90312p4888 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOUISVILLE, KY. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Humana Inc. (NYSE: HUM) and Capital Area Community Health Plan of Albany, N.Y., have signed a definitive agreement whereby Humana will acquire Community Health Plan's health maintenance organization (HMO) in Ohio.

Under the agreement, Humana will assume the operation of Community Health Plan's Ohio HMO as of December 1, pending regulatory approval. The plan has approximately 13,700 members, principally in southern Ohio and northern Kentucky.

Members' coverage will not change as a result of this acquisition through the end of their current contracts, including those which will become effective January 1, 1991. The health care services currently available will continue from Community Health Plan providers.

Community Health Plan, a not-for-profit, predominantly staff model HMO, has more than 190,000 members in New York, Massachusetts and Vermont.

Humana, based in Louisville, owns and operates 83 hospitals and has 1.2 million members in health benefit plans for employee groups and Medicare recipients.

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#90312p4894 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLIFTON, NJ (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Stan Roth, president of Panorama Press, Inc. has announced the acquisition of Beechwood Press, Inc., a 50-year old printing firm in Union City, N.J., owned by Henry and Jules Westphalen.

"The merger of our two sheetfed printing plants will increase overall sales by 25 percent and provide for the addition of an electronic pre-press department to our commercial operation. This should position Panorama for solid future growth," said Roth.

"Beechwood will retain its valued name and clientele, becoming a division of Panorama," he continued. "It will join our three other divisions, FGI Doerfler which services major airlines and cruise lines with a total menu management system; Catalog King, producers of catalogs and catalog sheets; and Panoscent, which prints and packages scented premiums and department store inserts."

Henry Westphalen Jr., president of Beechwood Press, will also hold the title of vice president of Panorama. "We are very pleased to be associated with a

high quality, upscale firm like Panorama. Our clients will benefit from its state-of-the-art technology, its two six-color, four-color and two-color presses, and the fact that it runs two full shifts," he stated.

In addition to its commercial printing business, Beechwood Press has served major league franchises for the past 15 years as producers of sports programs and media guides. Clients include the New Jersey Devils, New York Islanders, New York Jets, New York Mets and the Baseball Writers of America.

Henry (Hank) Westphalen is well-known in the metropolitan area for his involvement in Association work. He was on the board of the Printing Industries of Metropolitan New York (now Association for the Graphic Arts) where he was President of the Master Printers Section. He is a past president and chairman of Print/New Jersey and received the 1990 Leo H. Joachim Award from the New York Printing House Craftsmen's Club for his outstanding contributions to the industry.

Other top members of the Beechwood organization to move to Panorama are Jules Westphalen, vice president of sales; Rolf Schuetz, art director; and Susan Westphalen, systems manager, who represents the third generation of the family. Beechwood was founded by her grandfather, Henry Sr., who was a graphic designer and landscape painter.

Panorama Press, founded 32 years ago, was located in Manhattan until 1988. Stan Roth has taken the company from a one-man shop into a streamlined corporate structure with a new management team and a sophisticated marketing approach to sales development. With a concentration in niche markets, Panorama has increased sales by 30 percent over the past three years.

Among its clients are the Metropolitan Museum of Art, American Airlines, Lippincott & Marqulies, the Prudential Bache Corporation and Mutual of America.

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TROY, MI (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Acustar, Inc. today announced it is expending in excess of $12 million in an expansion at its Rantoul (Ill.) Plant.

The Rantoul Products Plant is a major injection molding facility which produces automotive interior parts including instrument panels and door trim panels, as well as heating, ventilation, and air conditioning assemblies.

The expansion will add 60,000 square feet of new manufacturing space. Four new 3,000-ton injection molding presses and support equipment are a part of the initial expansion plan.

Acustar said new work the Rantoul Plant has received, including components for Chrysler's totally new "ZJ" sports utility vehicle, will help to maintain current hourly employment levels. The plant currently employs about 450 hourly people.

Construction on the new manufacturing space will start immediately, with work scheduled to be completed by the summer of 1991. The Rantoul Plant is a 113,000-square-foot facility built in 1984. The operation was acquired by Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) in August 1987.

Acustar operates 25 major manufacturing facilities in North America with more than 25,000 employees. The company consists of six divisions, including Automotive Glass, Chassis and Thermal Products, Electrical Systems, Electronics, Plastic and Modular Products, and Soft Trim. Acustar is one of the world's largest manufacturers of automotive component and integrated systems posting more than $3.5 billion in sales in 1989.

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PARIS (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The governing committee of InterBold(TM), the automated teller machine (ATM) and self-service banking systems joint venture between Diebold, Incorporated (NYSE: DBD) and International Business Machines Corporation (NYSE: IBM), made several announcements today during its first meeting.

According to InterBold Chief Executive Officer Robert P. Barone, the governing commitee made product announcements that underscore InterBold's commitment to integrating self-service systems with branch automation systems. They announced the first ATMs available from any worldwide vendor that: function in the OS/2 operating system environment; can be fully integrated with an IBM Consumer Transaction- generated branch transaction system that supports DOS and OS/2; and connect via the IBM Token Ring local area network.

InterBold offers a full complement of products, from low-end, cash-dispensing equipment to high-end, full-function ATMs. In the United States, InterBold markets the full product line with assistance from Diebold, which also provides service, and IBM. Outside the United States, IBM markets and services the combined product line.

Members of the InterBold governing committee are Barone; William T. Blair, Diebold vice president and general manager, Diebold North American sales and service; Robert J. Warren, Diebold vice president and treasurer; John P. Cunningham, IBM directeur general des plans and des services techniques, World Trade E/ME/A; and Robert M. Stephenson, IBM vice president and assistant general manager, finance and planning, IBM U.S.

InterBold is the automated teller machine joint venture between Diebold and IBM companies. Headquartered in North Canton, Ohio, InterBold develops and markets ATMs and advanced self-service terminals and systems for the current and future needs of the financial services industry.

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#90312p4899 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Silicon Graphics Inc. (NYSE: SGI) today announced it has appointed CDB Computadores S.A. as its distrubutor in Brazil. This marks Silicon Graphics' first local presence in the Latin American marketplace. CDB will distribute the company's entire line of IRIS 4D(TM) workstations and servers.

"The CAD/CAM, geosciences and animation markets in Brazil represent a tremendous opportunity for Silicon Graphics," said Robert R. Bishop, president of Silicon Graphics International. "The CDB relationship strengthens our presence in Brazil and reflects the growing opportunity of the Latin American scientific and technical markets. We are pleased to have CDB as our distributor."

Manoel Carmona, president of CDB said, "We are excited by the opportunity to bring the world's leading-edge 3D computer graphics technology to the fast growing Brazilian market. Through Silicon Graphics' Geometry Partners(TM) applications development program and other software vendor relationships, close to 1,000 applications currently run on Silicon Graphics' systems. We look forward to providing customers with such a wide range of high-quality solutions."

The two companies will work jointly on pre-sales and after-sales support, as well as organizing high-quality customer training, maintenance and technical services. The agreement is effective immediately.

Silicon Graphics Inc. is the leading manufacturer of high performance graphics systems, servers and software for visual processing applications. The company's products, which range from advanced project supercomputers to low-end desktop models and PC graphics subsystems, are used by engineers, scientists and creative professionals in design, analysis, manufacturing and simulation.

CDB Computadores S.A. has its principal offices in Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro, with additional service centers in Belo Horizonte and Sao Jose do Campos. CDB currently has over 130 personnel consisting primarily of engineers dedicated to sales, technical support and maintenance of workstations, mainframes and microcomputer systems.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Designer Bill Ditfort, fashion executive Edward Jones III, and Mitsubishi International Corporation, a general trading company with headquarters in New York, announced today the establishment of two joint ventures.

One is Design Process Inc. (DPI), which will develop image and licensing strategies for manufacturers and retailers worldwide. The company will develop brands and trademarks, including "Desert Designs," for production in a textiles, garments, home furnishings, accessories, etc.

The other joint venture is DPI Marketing Inc. (DPIM), which will manufacture and market men's sportswear through three divisions:

1. "Desert Designs" (under license from DPI)
2. a. "Bill Ditfort" and
   b. "Snoopy and Friends by Bill Ditfort"
3. "Private Product Development"

"Desert Designs" is a fine art concept based on the laws of nature. The inspiration originates from the art of famous Australian aboriginal artist Jimmy Pike and other artists from the "Great Sandy Desert." The Desert Designs Division will manufacture and market men's sportswear for the United States and Canada.

Ditfort, through his 10-year-old company Bill Ditfort Designs Inc., has been marketing men's sportswear collections under the label "Bill Ditfort", and a line of sweaters and knit shirts under the label "Snoopy and Friends by Bill Ditfort". The two labels will now be handled by DPI Marketing Inc.

A private product development division will design and manufacture items for both manufacturers and retailers.

Mitsubishi International Corporation, with 20 offices located throughout the United States, ranks among the 10 largest exporters of American goods to the world marketplace. Handling more than 25,000 items from raw materials to highly sophisticated advanced electronics, the company, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Mitsubishi Corporation of Japan, registers some $14 billion in trade transactions annually.

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NEW HYDE PARK, NY (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Bamberger Polymers, Inc. (AMEX: BPI) announced stronger than anticipated results for the three months and nine months ended September 1990.

Sales figures for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, and for the first nine months of 1990 were up over the same periods in 1989. The company also noted that its operations returned to profitability in the month of September. Profitable operations continued through the month of October.

The company's increased sales reflect the strong growth Bamberger has experienced in its international and export business. Fred Garcia, the company's president, stated that "our domestic business was adversely effected during this third quarter due to the simultaneous departure of certain sales personnel.

"However, our international and export divisions responded to return the company to profitability in the month of September. Due to our strength in the international marketplace, we feel optimistic about the balance of the year."

Sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $52,800,000; compared to $38,305,000 for the third quarter in 1989. The loss from continuing operations for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $125,000, or $.04 per share, compared to a loss of $14,000 for the same period in 1989. Discontinued operations accounted for a loss of $99,000 or $.03 per share in 1990, compared to income of $173,000 or $.05 per share in 1989.

Bamberger's sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $141,377,000, compared to $135,814,000 in 1989. The company had a loss for nine months from continuing operations in 1990 of $352,000, or $.11 per share compared to a loss of $1,254,000, or $.38 per share in 1989.

Discontinued operations during the first nine months of 1990 resulted in a loss of $82,000 or $.03 per share, compared to income from discontinued operations of $562,000 or $.17 per share for the same period in 1989.

Bamberger Polymers is an international plastics merchant involved in compounding, distribution, and sales of thermoplastic resins, the raw materials for a broad range of plastic products.

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PORTLAND, ORE (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The $4.7 million financing announced by Bioject (NASDAQ: BJCTF) in August closed today in New York City, announced Bioject's president and chief executive officer, Carl E. Wilcox.

The financing involves the purchase of 1,175,000 shares of common stock at $4.00 per share by 11 unaffiliated European institutional investors. Each share is accompanied by one-half of a warrant. Each full warrant grants the holder the right to purchase an additional share at $5.25 per share for two years.

The proceeds of this financing will be used to expand production and launch of the Biojector(R). Bioject intends to have its national sales and distribution network in place and operating by April 1991.

Bioject Inc. is a Portland, Ore.-based company specializing in new drug delivery systems. The company develops, manufactures and markets needleless syringes for widespread use in the healthcare industry.

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#90312p4907 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURLINGTON, NC (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: EDITD) announced today that it has submitted its recently developed EZ-SCREEN: BARBITURATES test to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for pre-market clearance.

The Company also announced that the new test for the detection of barbiturates in human urine samples has been launched, on a limited basis, pending FDA pre-market clearance, for forensic use to law enforcement agencies in the United States.

James D. Skinner, EDI President and Chief Executive Officer, said "The availability of the EZ-SCREEN: BARBITURATES test represents another major milestone in our comprehensive product offering for substance abuse detection. This new test complements EZ-SCREEN tests for the urinary metabolites of marijuana, crack/cocaine, and opiates (heroin). The major business opportunity for EZ-SCREEN substance abuse tests is with law enforcement agencies. However following clearance by the FDA, EDI will be marketing the EZ-SCREEN BARBITURATES test to our full range of customers."

Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. develops and manufactures human clinical diagnostics, agricultural diagnostics and substance abuse diagnostic products specifically designed for on-site testing by non-technical personnel. The Company's EZ-SCREEN products provide accuracy comparable to laboratory results easily and rapidly in a matter of a few minutes.

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#90312p4911 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NOVATO, CA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Comdex '90, the world's largest computer trade show, will feature The Software Toolworks, a leading developer and publisher of Artificial Intelligence, educational, personal productivity, utility, entertainment and CD-ROM at the Comdex '90 Conference and Exposition in Las Vegas from Nov. 12-16. Featured in the Software Toolworks section of the Soft-Kat booth (W430) will be:

The Software Toolworks World Atlas: An atlas, almanac and world fact book, World Atlas brings the entire globe to your computer screen in dazzling, vivid EGA/VGA graphic images. Hundreds of fully detailed maps and thousands of international facts on 70 topics are at your fingertips.

Discover the population of Poland, tourist information for Tasmania or the land area of Lithuania - instantly! The Software Toolworks World Atlas is the ideal tool for travelers, educators, business professionals, and students of all ages.

The Software Toolworks U.S. Atlas: Access all 50 states and the District of Columbia in a snap. Simply click on any state or select city for highways, birth rate, business statistics, agricultural information and much more. Where are the Grand Tetons? Refer to the index window for a quick find. The U.S. Atlas is the perfect reference tool for any software library.

WeatherBrief: Obtain local, regional, national and international weather information with WeatherBrief, a modem and PC - in seconds. How is the wind for boardsailing in Lake Tahoe? Want the soil temperature in Texas? Satellite pictures of the East Coast? Get this - and thousands of other global facts without even leaving your desk.

Accu-Weather Forecaster: Tap into the world's largest on-line weather service with Accu-Weather, your Macintosh and modem. Be your own personal meteorologist by creating customized, illustrated TV and AMPS (Advanced Mapping Plotting System) maps and graphs from an available 1,500 color graphic images.

Select from more than 900 National Weather Service stations across the continental United States for barometric pressure; past, current and forecast temperature; you can even track a hurricane by the same means as the pros.

Life & Death II; The Brain: Does your patient have an aneurysm, tumor or a drug addiction? In this expanded recreation of the best selling, surgical

simulation game Life & Death, you enter the neurosurgery wing of Toolworks General and Go For The Brain!

Your skill at the scalpel will determine whether your patient goes to the recovery room or...the morgue. Life & Death II offers life-like, full-color graphics and Ad Lib or Sound Blaster support.

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#90312p4912 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. announced today that it will shortly commence trading in foreign equities derivative products. These will include such securities as French franc, Swiss franc, Deutsch mark and Australian denominated warrants and convertible bonds. The firm has hired Barry Collins, who managed James Capel's (U.K.) derivative products and convertible securities department for 22 years and four experienced foreign stock traders to provide this capability.

"This new effort is a natural offshoot of our convertible and international equities sales and trading effort," stated Alan C. Greenberg, chairman and chief executive officer of The Bear Stearns Companies. "We believe that global equities will play an important role in our business in the 1990s."

Joining Bear Stearns' Devonshire Square offices in London with Barry Collins are Gary Jones, a senior trader and Louisa Redman, a trader. Joining Bear Stearns' New York equities department are Elizabeth Regan, a senior sales person and Nancy May, a sales person. All were formerly with James Capel and joined the firm on Oct. 24, 1990.

The Foreign Equities Derivative Products effort is a joint undertaking by the International and Convertible Departments of Bear Stearns. David A. Liebowitz and S. William Gersten are the senior managing directors responsible for convertible securities and John H. Slade, James Sheehan and Dennis A. Baum are the senior managing directors responsible for the firm's international equities effort.

Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. (NYSE: BSC) is a leading investment banking and brokerage firm headquartered in New York City. The company is engaged in corporate finance, mergers and acquisitions, institutional equities, fixed income sales and trading, individual investor services, asset management and corresponding clearing. With total capital, including long-term and subordinated debt, of over $1.4 billion, the company has approximately 5,550 employees located in 13 offices worldwide.

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WEST LONG BRANCH, NJ (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - A one-time charge related to a restructuring of its Simulation Computers business, coupled with a doubling of earnings from operations, was announced today by Electronic Associates, Inc. (NYSE: EA). The company also announced authorization by its board of directors to purchase up to 200,000 shares of EAI common stock on the open market in the period ending Dec. 31, 1991, subject to market conditions.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, EAI reported a net loss of $722,000 after a write-off of assets and other expense resulting from a decision to de-emphasize the simulation products portion of the Simulation Computers business. Without the write-off, EAI would have reported net income of $227,000 or $.08 per share, compared with $108,000 or $.04 per share in the same quarter a year ago. Sales rose slightly and orders climbed 112 percent in the 1990 quarter versus year- earlier figures.

The simulation products portion of the Simulation Computers business does not include the VISIDAQ(TM) line of video strip chart recorders or engineering services. "EAI will continue to provide support for existing simulation products in the field," said Robert G. Finney, president and chief executive officer, "and supply our customer base with existing products, expansions and parts." EAI will also redirect the engineering capability now in Simulation Computers and add technical services to the company's service business offerings to industry and government, he said.

Regarding the authorization to purchase EAI shares on the open market, Finney stated, "The board believes that EAI stock is an attractive investment for the company at current price levels." The board authorized an aggregate price for the stock purchases not to exceed $500,000. Purchases are expected to be paid for out of operating cash flow, said Finney.

Third quarter revenues of EAI amounted to $10,457,000 in 1990 compared with $10,410,000 last year. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, EAI reported net income of $300,000 or $.10 per share on revenues of $29,144,000 in 1990 versus net income of $452,000 or $.16 per share on revenues of $32,381,000 in 1989.

The company's service businesses, contract manufacturing and field service, continued to grow strongly in 1990. Sales, orders and backlogs in both business areas all were substantially greater this year than last, Finney said.

Electronic Associates, Inc. is based in West Long Branch, N.J. In contract manufacturing, EAI provides manufacturing services for products designed and marketed by customers. In field service, the company provides independent maintenance of electronic equipment.

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DALLAS, (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Edisto Resources Corp. (AMEX: EDS) today announced net income of $424,000, or a 3 cents per share loss after preferred dividends, on revenues of $53 million for the third quarter of 1990, versus a net loss of $6.9 million, or a 71 cent per share loss after preferred dividends, on revenues of $13.8 million for the same quarter of the previous year. Revenues for the current quarter include $35.1 million from approximately two months of gas marketing and transportation activities related to the July 1990 acquisition by Edisto of ESCO Energy Inc. After deducting a gain of $7 million attributable to the redermination of Edisto's interest in Hall- Houston Offshore, net cash used by operations was $1 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the third quarter of the previous year, net cash used by operations was $7.6 million.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $0.9 million, or a 16 cent per share loss after preferred dividends, on revenues of $86.2 million, compared with a net loss of $43.7 million, or a $4.03 per share loss after preferred dividends, on revenues of $45.1 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net loss for the prior year nine-month period includes a $22 million noncash charge to earnings resulting from property sales. Excluding a gain of $21.2 million attributable to the redetermination of interest in Hall-Houston Offshore, net cash provided by operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $18.6 million. Net cash provided by operations was $0.2 million the same nine-month period in 1989.

Higher oil prices and increased production volumes contributed to the increase in revenues and compensated for lower natural gas prices. General and administrative costs increased over 1989, primarily a reflection of the two-month consolidation of ESCO's operations into Edisto. Depreciation, depletion and abandonment and exploration costs decreased for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 because of an adjustment in accounting estimates but increased for the nine-month period because of increased drilling activity. Interest expense decreased for the current nine-month period when compared with the same period of the previous year because of a lower effective interest rate on long-term debt.

James R. McNab Jr., Chairman, stated that operating results to date demonstrate that Edisto's fundamental strategies are working. "From the first to the third quarter of 1990, natural gas production rates increased 27 percent," he commented. "We should continue to show production rate increases in the fourth quarter while enjoying higher natural gas prices. Prices contracted to be paid for November spot deliveries increased on an average of 40 cents to 50 cents per Mcf from the previous month and or up 25 cents per

Mcf from November 1989."

McNab also reported that the consolidated operations of ESCO were reflected in Edisto's operating results this quarter. "The continued expansion of the transportation and marketing capabilities of ESCO and its wholly owned subsidiaries has favorably affected Edisto's operations to date and will continue to provide momentum for growth in the 90s."

Edisto Resources Corp.'s consolidated activities include the production, exploration and development of oil and gas reserves and natural gas marketing and transportation activities.

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#90312p4923 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHEELING, W. VA. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - In a joint statement, Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp. (NYSE: QWHX) and Nisshin Steel Company Ltd. of Japan, announced today that accord was reached with respect to an investment project to construct a second coating line at Wheeling-Nisshin Inc.

The parties are now in the process of finalizing the agreement. The decision to go forward with the project, which contemplates the construction of a new continuous galvanizing line, was spurred by the performance of the existing aluminizing and galvanizing line, which is operating at full capacity, and the projected growth in demand for coated steel sheets.

The new line will enable Wheeling-Nisshin to better respond to such growth through expanded product lines and a more stable supply to customers attributable to a two-line operation.

The new facility will be geared to produce light-gauge quality coated sheets to be supplied primarily to the building and construction industries.

The plant will have an annual rated production capacity of 240,000 net tons and will be capable of coating sheets 0.008 inch through 0.038 inch in thickness and 24 inches through 48 inches in width.

The total estimated cost is $120 million. Start-up is scheduled for the second quarter of 1993.

The project is subject to the approval of bankruptcy court because Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel is still a debtor-in-possession. According to company sources, Wheeling-Pittsburgh will probably emerge from the Chapter 11 proceedings by the end of 1990.

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#90312p4928 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

REDMOND, WASH. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Bio Techniques Laboratories Inc. announced today a joint venture with Liquid Systems Inc. for the manufacture and installation of specialized dispensing equipment for Cobactin(R), a patented microbial feed additive for feedlot cattle manufactured by Bio Techniques Laboratories Inc.

"We're please to be working with Liquid Systems," said William D. St. John, president of Bio Techniques. "Their excellent reputation for equipment, reliability and service will further insure that our customers receive viable and accurate application of Cobactin on a daily basis." Liquid Systems has installed over 300 comparable units in poultry operations over the past four years. "Their experience and high reputation for reliability and service will be invaluable to this effort," said St. John.

Bio Techniques Laboratories Inc., founded in 1983, researches, develops and markets advanced products for the agricultural industry, reports increasing demand for Cobactin. The product is currently in use on over 15 percent of the largest feedlots in the United States.

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#90312p4930 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - BankAtlantic (NASDAQ-NMS: ASAL) today reported a second consecutive quarter of positive earnings with net income of $148,000, or $0.04 per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $898,000; or $0.29 per share, for the same period of 1989. Earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $138,000, or $0.04 per share.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, BankAtlantic posted a net loss of $699,000, or $0.19 per share, vs. a net loss of $728,000, or $0.24 per share, for the comparable period of 1989. Operating results for 1989 included extraordinary gains of $2.3 million, or $0.75 per share.

At Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $1.85 billion, compared to $1.89 billion at Dec. 31, 1989. Net loans stood at $1.07 billion at Sept. 30, 1990 vs. $1.12 billion at year end 1989; deposits were $1.39 billion at the close of the third quarter of 1990, compared to $1.43 billion at Dec. 31, 1989; and stockholders' equity increased to $59.78 million at Sept. 30, 1990, vs. $57.98 million at year end 1989.

Net interest income after provision for loan losses increased to $10.61 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, vs. $9.29 million for the same period of 1989, even though total interest income decreased to $45.22 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $48.59 million for the same quarter a year earlier.

Non-interest income was $3.56 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $3.14 million for the comparable period of 1989. Non-interest expenses for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 decreased to $13.75 million, vs. $14.04 million for the same period of 1989.

"We view the current earnings environment with caution," stated Alan B. Levan, chairman of BankAtlantic. "We have completed two consecutive quarters of positive earnings, and we are pleased with our progress toward increased stability and profitablity.

"However, our outlook is tempered by the possible effects on BankAtlantic of the continued slowing South Florida economy, which is expected to affect banking conditions into the fourth quarter and beyond."

At Sept. 30, 1990, BankAtlantic exceeded all current capital requirements set by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act (FIRREA). Tangible capital was more than double the 1.5 percent required, and stood at 3.10 percent of assets.

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NEW BRITAIN, CONN. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Moore Medical Corp. (AMEX: MMD), a national wholesale distributor of brand name and generic pharmaceuticals and medical and surgical supplies, today reported results for the third quarter of 1990. Sales of $79,309,000 were 16 percent greater than the third quarter of last year. Net income was $196,000 (7 cents per share) for the quarter compared with $330,000 (12 cents per share) in the third quarter a year ago.

Commenting on the quarter, Mark E. Karp, president and chief operating officer noted, "We continue to be pleased with the strong sales growth coming from our geographic expansion program. Operating income was slightly better than during last year's third quarter, although the gross margin percentage on brand name pharmaceuticals has been low. Quarterly results included pre-tax profits of $472,000 (11 cents per share) from latex examination glove proceeds which have been more favorable than were expected when loss provisions were estimated last year. Largely offsetting this was a pre-tax loss at West-ward of $453,000 (10 cents per share) for the quarter. Although no decision has

yet been made, we are considering various alternatives regarding our investment in West-ward, including the sale of the entire business."

MOORE MEDICAL CORP.
COMPARATIVE RESULTS OF OPERATIONS
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Third Quarter		Percent
	1990	1989	Change
Net sales	$79,309	$68,541	16 pct.
Cost of products sold	70,781	60,758	16
Gross profit	8,528	7,783	10
Selling, general & administrative expenses	6,915	6,211	11
Unusual item	--	--	--
Operating income	1,613	1,572	3
Interest expense, net	1,306	1,452	(10)
Income before income taxes	307	120	156
Income tax provision (benefit)	111	(210)	--
Net income	$196	$330	(41)
Net income per share	7 cents	12 cents	(42)
Average shares outstanding	2,830	2,836	

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MINNEAPOLIS, (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Piper Jaffray Incorporated (NASDAQ: PIPR) parent company of the Minneapolis-based investment firm Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated, today declared its regular semi-annual dividend of $.10 per share on its common stock, payable Dec. 18, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 4, 1990. Consistent with the company's historical dividend policy, Piper Jaffray also declared a special dividend of $.60 per share, payable Jan. 9, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990. The announcement was made following a regular meeting of the firm's board of directors in Minneapolis.

In addition, the board authorized the repurchase of 100,000 shares of common stock on the open market. Shares purchased will be used to satisfy the company's obligations to present and future employee benefit plans. "Given the present market price of Piper Jaffray common stock, a repurchase is a good investment and is in the best interest of the company and its shareholders," stated Addison L. Piper, chairman of the board and chief executive officer. Piper Jaffray has 4.1 million shares of common stock outstanding.

Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated is a full-service investment firm with 64 offices in 16 Midwest, Mountain and Pacific Northwest states, with institutional sales offices in Minneapolis, New York, Seattle, Portland, Los

Angeles, Denver, Boston and London. Founded in 1895, the firm is a member of the New York Stock Exchange and other major stock, futures and options exchanges. Affiliates include Piper Capital Management, an asset management company with more than $3 billion under management, and Piper Jaffray Trust Company.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Chock full o' Nuts Corporation (NYSE: CHF) today announced the appointment of Robert D. San Filippo as vice president-trade relations and Gary Fischer as vice president- commodity group.

San Filippo is a 30-year veteran of the coffee industry, having served as general sales manager and executive vice president for United Instant Coffee and then as vice president of sales for Greenwich Mills Company. After the acquisition of Greenwich Mills by Chock, he was named president of the private label division. He has been active in both coffee and tea trade associations, having served most recently as director of The National Tea Council.

Fischer has been with Greenwich Mills since 1968. After active military service he joined a Brazilian export company (partially owned by Greenwich Mills at the time) as export manager for one year. From 1972 until now he was vice president of purchasing for Greenwich Mills. He is a past president of the New York Coffee Roasters Association and The Green Coffee Association of New York City. He is a past director of the National Coffee Association and is currently a director of The Tea Association of U.S.A.

Chock full o' Nuts Corporation roasts, packs and markets regular, instant and decaffeinated coffees under the Chock full o' Nuts label. Its best known coffee product is its premium, vacuum packed, all-method grind coffee. The company is also one of the largest marketers of food service and private label coffee, tea and beverage products, as well as the number one supplier of in the shell peanuts in the United States.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - SAZTEC International Inc. (NASDAQ: SAZZ), today announced the resignation of its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Thomas L. Reed. An agreement in principle has been reached whereby Reed will receive certain assets and lines of business from SAZTEC in exchange for 950,000 shares of common stock of SAZTEC, representing 23 percent of

SAZTEC's outstanding shares, owned by Reed. The lines of business to be acquired by Reed include information management services for litigation support, telephone directory and hospital markets in the United States.

In order to carry out the transaction, SAZTEC will transfer the assets and lines of business to a new subsidiary, and all of the shares of the subsidiary will then be exchanged for the SAZTEC shares beneficially-owned by Reed through a family trust. After the transaction, Reed will continue to benefically-own 318,532 shares of SAZTEC.

The transaction was negotiated on behalf of SAZTEC by a committee of outside directors and is subject to certain conditions including obtaining an opinion of independent investment bankers with respect to the fairness of the transaction.

In making the announcement, Gary N. Abernathy, vice chairman and chief international officer of SAZTEC, said, "Tom has done an outstanding job of building SAZTEC for more than 10 years. His strong entrepreneurial ability and experience will serve him well in his new endeavor. We wish him every success and look forward to possible cooperative projects in the future."

Reed said, "I'm looking forward to the challenges of starting a new business again and I have the confidence, funding and experience to make my new venture a success."

The CEO responsibilities of SAZTEC will be assumed by a three-person office of the chief executive comprised of Robert P. Dunne, newly elected chairman of the board; Richard C. Thompson, president and chief operating officer; and Abernathy. Dunne currently is a director and major stockholder of SAZTEC and also has served as executive vice president of corporate development. Abernathy and Thompson continue in their current roles.

SAZTEC International is traded in the over-the-counter market and is quoted on NASDAQ under the symbol SAZZ. For more information, please contact Gary N. Abernathy, vice chairman and chief international officer, SAZTEC International Inc., 6700 Corporate Drive, Kansas City, MO 64120.

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MIAMI (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Neolens, Inc. (NASDAQ: NEOL), a Miami-based polycarbonate lens manufacturer, today announced that the company was awarded a long-term contract to become the primary supplier of polycarbonate lenses to National Vision Associates (NVA). NVA has been selected as national concessionaire by a giant, general merchandise retailer to open and operate a series of leased optical centers. NVA's first leased optical centers is

expected to open next month with rapid expansion thereafter, throughout the country.

NVA's selection of Neolens signifies the accelerating use of polycarbonate in lenses and represents a marked departure from conventional usage of CR-39(R) material. Polycarbonate offers significant advantages to the consumer, which include a lens which is lighter and thinner, with greater impact resistance. Currently, CR-39 lenses represent approximately 80 percent of the (domestic) market. The ophthalmic lens business is a $12 billion annual consumer market.

In anticipation of this growth, Neolens has pioneered development of a patented injection molding system which has allowed the company to manufacture polycarbonate lenses at a highly competitive price. Previous to the full development of the Neolens manufacturing process, polycarbonate was considered to be an expensive alternative to CR-39, although possessing significant consumer benefits.

Estimated revenues for the fourth quarter, ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $425,000 compared to $140,000 for the same period last year. For the 12 months ended Oct. 31, 1990, estimated revenue increased 188 percent to $1.1 million from sales of $382,000 recorded in fiscal 1989.

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LANDOVER, MD. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Herbert H. Haft, chairman of Dart Group Corporation (NASDAQ: DARTA), today announced sales increased 18.8 percent and 17.3 percent for the three months and nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, respectively.

Sales for the three months and nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, increased to $261,475,000 from $220,075,000 and to $747 million from $636,829,000, respectively. The increase in Dart's sales resulted primarily from the increase in the number of stores for Shoppers Food Warehouse, Crown Books and Trak Auto (all subsidiaries of Dart Group). Additionally, increases were attributable to 7.5 percent and 7.1 percent increases in sales for the three months and nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, for stores open more than one year.

Dart owns approximately 54 percent of Crown Books, 69 percent of Trak Auto, 50 percent of Shoppers Warehouse and 100 percent of Dart Group Financial and Cabot-Morgan Real Estate Corp.

Shoppers Food Warehouse operates 23 stores in the Washington metropolitan area. Crown operates 259 book stores in the Washington, D.C. area, California, Houston, Chicago and Seattle. Trak Auto operates 330 stores in the Washington, Baltimore, Richmond, Va., Chicago, Los Angeles and San Diego

metropolitan areas. During the period ended Oct. 31, 1990, Shoppers Food Warehouse, Crown Books and Trak Auto opened a total of 32 net new stores. Cabot-Morgan operates shopping centers in the Washington metropolitan area.

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SAN RAFAEL, CALIF. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Fair, Isaac and Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: FICI) reported net income of $989,000 (17 cents per share) for the fourth quarter of its fiscal year which ended Sept. 30, a gain of 36 percent over the $729,000 (13 cents per share) earned in the same period a year ago. Operating income for the quarter was up 53 percent over the September 1989 quarter on record revenues of $7.4 million.

Despite the strong fourth quarter, fiscal 1990 net income of $1,566,000 (28 cents per share) declined 20 percent in comparison with 1989 earnings of $1,967,000 (34 cents per share). The decrease was due to operating losses and a write-off of capitalized software development expenses during the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Since then, the company has reported steadily improving quarterly results.

Fiscal 1990 revenues of $25.5 million were up 10 percent compared with year-ago figures. Fourth quarter revenues also rose 10 percent relative to the same period last year.

Net income of $989,000 for the fourth quarter of 1990 compared with earnings of $729,000 in the same period last year and $558,000 in this year's third quarter.

Fair, Isaac President, CEO and Chairman William R. Fair said the improvement in the company's results over the past nine months reflected "increased market acceptance of the company's Adaptive Control credit management technology; growing revenue streams from scoring services delivered through credit bureaus; and improvements in production capacity and efficiency."

Specifically, Fair noted the gradual turnaround in two product groups -- automated credit application processing (ASAP) and analytic products (scorecards) -- that had experienced production problems and sluggish sales in prior periods. In the latter area, production efficiencies have permitted the company to recapture market share it had been slowly losing to lower-priced competitors, according to Fair. The mainframe ASAP group, meanwhile, has been reorganized under new leadership. Fair described its prospects for fiscal 1991 as "very promising." THe company will soon begin marketing two new, PC-based application processing software products, Fair added.

Established in 1956, Fair, Isaac is a pioneer and world leader in the development of rule-based control systems, products, and services for the retail credit industry. It also produces control systems for utilities and insurance underwriters.

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SALISBURY, NC (OCT. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Food Lion, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FDLN) is pleased to announce the latest unaudited sales information for the periods ending November 3, 1990 and November 4, 1989 as follows:

Period Ending	Nov. 3, 1990	Nov. 4, 1989	Pct. Increase
4 Weeks	$439,083,590	$371,056,617	18.3 pct.
Year-to-date (44 weeks)	$4,672,885,025	$3,930,890,486	18.9 pct.
Number of Stores	752	635	

As of November 3, 1990, Food Lion, Inc. was operating in eleven states, with principal locations in the Southeast. Same store sales increased 3.1 percent for the four weeks and 5.0 percent year-to-date.

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TULSA, OK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Samson Energy Co. Limited Partnership (AMEX: SAM) announced the successful completion of a natural gas producing well. The Hosier 1-8 is a development well located in Section 8-19N-21W in Ellis County, Okla.

The Hosier 1-8 tested flowing at a rate of 316,000 cubic feet of natural gas per day in the Morrow Formation with a flowing tubing pressure of 825 psi. This well was drilled to a total depth of 10,600 feet.

The Hosier 1-8 was connected to a natural gas pipeline on Sept. 17, 1990. This development well initially flowed at a rate of 800,000 cubic feet of natural gas per day with a flowing tubing pressure of 1,600 psi from the Morrow Formation. Samson Energy Co. Limited Partnership holds a 30 percent working interest in this well. Samson Resources Co., an affiliate of Samson Energy Co. is the well operator.

Samson Energy Co. is a publicly traded master limited partnership whose principal business activities include the development and operation of oil and

gas properties and the acquisition of additional producing properties. Depositary receipts evidencing units are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol SAM.

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BURBANK, CA (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Walt Disney Company (NYSE: DIS) today reported record-level revenues and income for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the fourth quarter, revenues rose to $1,712,266,000, a 27 percent increase from $1,345,263,000 for the comparable prior year period. Net income increased 9 percent to $232,662,000 from $212,704,000 in the prior year. Earnings per share increased to $1.72 per share compared to $1.54 per share reported a year ago.

For the fiscal year, revenues climbed to $5,843,689,000, a 27 percent increase from $4,594,316,000 for the prior year period. Net income increased 17 percent to $824,005,000 from $703,306,000 in the prior year. Earnings per share increased to $6.00 per share compared to $5.10 per share reported a year ago.

Operating income climbed 6 percent to $397,005,000 compared to $373,066,000 for the quarter and 16 percent to $1,425,509,000 from $1,228,952,000 for the fiscal year.

Revenues for Theme Parks and Resorts rose 7 percent to $831,788,000 for the quarter compared to $775,780,000 in the prior year. Operating income increased 1 percent for the quarter to $242,294,000 compared to $240,877,000 a year ago. For the fiscal year, revenues rose 16 percent to $3,019,569,000 from $2,595,369,000 and operating income increased 13 percent to $889,306,000 from $785,350,000.

Attendance at theme parks was strong for the fiscal year. Park operations were impacted by weakening tourism in the fourth quarter. Higher per capita spending at all theme parks and benefit from the company's 49 percent investment in Euro Disneyland S.C.A. also positively influenced fourth quarter and fiscal year operating performance.

Revenues for Filmed Entertainment rose 56 percent to $722,020,000 for the quarter compared to $462,174,000 in the prior year. Operating income increased 22 percent for the quarter to $104,646,000 compared to $85,879,000 a year ago. For the fiscal year, revenues rose 42 percent to $2,250,343,000 from $1,587,604,000 and operating income increased 22 percent to $313,000,000 from $256,530,000.

Revenues for consumer products rose 48 percent to $158,458,000 for the quarter compared to $107,309,000 in the prior year. Operating income increased 8 percent for the quarter to $50,065,000 compared to $46,310,000 in the prior year. For the fiscal year, revenues rose 39 percent to $573,777,000 from $411,343,000 and operating income increased 19 percent to $223,203,000 from $187,072,000.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Mattel Inc. (NYSE: MAT) has declared a quarterly dividend of 3 cents per share on its common stock. The dividend is payable Jan. 3, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

Mattel earlier reported record net income of $47.8 million for the 1990 third quarter, up 26 percent from $38.0 million in 1989. Net sales for the quarter also reached record levels, up 20 percent to $490 million. For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $76.5 million, up 30 percent from $58.9 million in the same 1989 period, while net sales were up 19 percent to $1.042 billion.

Mattel Inc. is a worldwide leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of children's toys. With headquarters in Hawthorne, Calif., Mattel has offices and facilities in 20 foreign countries and sells its products in more than 100 nations throughout the world.

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PALO ALTO, CALIF (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Coherent Inc. (NASDAQ: COHR) today announced its results for the fourth quarter and year ended Sept. 29, 1990. Sales decreased approximately 3 percent and 5 percent respectively from the corresponding prior year periods primarily due to lower Industrial sales.

Pretax results, while not appreciably different than recent estimates, were considerably below prior periods' results because of lower sales and lower gross profit percentages. Gross profit decreased as a percentage of sales from 42 percent in both the corresponding prior year periods, to 39 percent and 40 percent for the fourth quarter and year ended Sept. 29, 1990, respectively. Other factors affecting pretax income for the current quarter and fiscal year included a $600,000 write down of patents, lower royalties received from the company's joint venture in Japan and the expiration in fiscal 1989 of a licensing agreement with GCA. Additionally, fiscal 1989 included gains of $2.0 million from licensing fees and approximately $1.0

million attributable to the sale of the company's European YAG marker and trimmer business.

Net income for the current quarter and year was also negatively impacted by provisions for taxes of $2.0 million and $4.2 million, respectively, due to taxes on profitable European operations that cannot be offset against losses in the United States and other countries.

	Three Months Ended		12 Months Ended	
	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
	(In thousands, except per share amounts)			
Sales	$ 52,087	$ 53,601	$ 191,248	$ 201,649
Income before income taxes	211	4,201	3,755	17,357
Net income (loss)	(1,769)	2,225	(449)	8,561
Net income (loss) per share	(.19)	.24	(.05)	.94
Average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	9,094	9,356	9,116	9,110

Coherent Inc. is the world leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of lasers for science, medicine and industry.

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PRINCETON, NJ (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Curtis R. Carlson and Michael Ettenberg were named division vice presidents in an announcements released today by the David Sarnoff Research Center in Princeton, N.J.

"Ettenberg and Carlson will be strong additions to Sarnoff's senior staff, bringing a record of excellent technical achievement, along with demonstrated business skills," said James E. Carnes, in making the announcement.

Carnes was named president of Sarnoff in an earlier announcement, effective Dec. 1 when James J. Tietjen, Sarnoff's current president, will assume the presidency of SRI International, Menlo Park, Calif., Sarnoff's parent company.

"Sarnoff is a client-oriented research institution, and our new organization reinforces that. Curt Carlson has spearheaded our recent success in information systems, while Mike Ettenberg has been at the forefront of our solid state and optoelectronic technology," said Carnes. They will join Carmen Catanese who continues as a division vice president.

"We feel we have added two strong leaders to join Carmen Catanese in heading our divisions," Carnes said.

Carnes also announced that Jay Brandinger will become vice president of Strategic Alliance Development.

"Jay Brandinger has shown a real ability to lead Sarnoff into unique partnership arrangements, and we want him full time in this area as development of consortia and partnerships become more important," said Carnes.

Carnes indicated that the remaining organizational changes will be announced on Nov. 30.

The Sarnoff Center became a subsidiary of SRI International in April 1987, following RCA Corporation's merger with the General Electric Company, and GE's subsequent transfer of Sarnoff. Sarnoff operates as a contract research company in Princeton, and is noted for its early work in television, including the development of the NTSC standard in use in the United States today, as well as for leadership in optoelectronics, integrated circuits, and video systems.

Carlson joined RCA Laboratories at the David Sarnoff Research Center in 1973 as a member of the technical staff in the Physical Electronics Research Laboratory, where he developed an acousto-optic modulator for laser scanned displays. Out of this research evolved his interest in image processing and image evaluation. Since then his research has centered on processing in both human and machine visual systems, including basic research in psychophysics, signal processing, and imaging analysis with applications to NTSC television, high definition television, and robotic vision. He was named head of the Image Quality and Human Perception Research Group in 1981, and in 1984 was named director, Information Systems Research Laboratory. In addition, in 1990 he became director of the National Information Display Laboratory. The laboratory is a "center of excellence" for the U.S. government in display and information processing technologies at Sarnoff.

Carlson was the recipient of two RCA Laboratories Outstanding Achievement Awards. He has presented or published more than 50 technical publications, including 14 issued U.S. patents, in the field of image quality, image coding, and human perception research. His undergraduate degree, with distinction, is from Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees are from Rutgers University.

Ettenberg joined RCA Laboratories at the David Sarnoff Research Center as a member of the technical staff in 1969. In 1979, he was appointed head of the Optoelectronic Devices and Systems Research Group. He was appointed director, Optoelectronics Research Laboratory in 1987.

Ettenberg has made major contributions in the area of III-V compounds and

devices, and developed passivating mirror coatings for semiconductor lasers allowing the manufacture of reliable high performance devices.

Ettenberg received an RCA Laboratories Outstanding Achievement Award in 1975 and a David Sarnoff Award for Outstanding Technical Achievement (RCA's highest technical honor) in 1984 for leadership in the understanding, development, and manufacture of solid state optoelectronic devices. He has authored or coauthored more than 100 papers and several book chapters and holds 28 U.S. patents.

Ettenberg, a fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers and the Optical Society of America, holds a B.S. degree in Metallurgy from the Polytechnic Institute of New York and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from New York University.

Catanese, currently vice president, Solid State Research Division, joined RCA Laboratories at the David Sarnoff Research Center as a member of the technical staff in 1970. He was appointed to his present position in early 1988.

Catanese has conducted research in solid state physics, low- temperature magnetics, advanced displays, electron devices and display systems, including design and modeling of picture tubes for color television. He holds a B.S., summa cum laude, from Xavier University, and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Yale. He has been a fellow of both the Woodrow Wilson Foundation and the National Science Foundation, and in 1974 was the recipient of an RCA Laboratories Outstanding Achievement Award. He has been issued 13 U.S. patents in display-related areas and has published numerous technical papers.

Brandinger, who joined RCA Laboratories in 1951 in Riverhead, L.I., as a member of the technical staff, transferred to the David Sarnoff Research Center in 1959 as head of communications systems research. From 1974 to 1979, he served as division vice president, engineering, for RCA's Consumer Electronics division in Indianapolis.

Brandinger received three RCA Laboratories Outstanding Achievement Awards for his research and is a fellow of the IEEE and Society for Information Display. He is vice chairperson of the board of governors of the N.J. Consortium for Surface Processing and a member of the board of directors, president and former treasurer of the EEPA (Electromagnetic Energy Policy Alliance). He holds a B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering from The Cooper Union and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Electrical Engineering from Rutgers University.

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LONDON (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Maxwell today extended his publishing

activities in Eastern Europe by acquiring 40 percent of Esti Hirlap, the major evening paper in Budapest, through Mirror Holdings Limited. The newspaper will be printed on the Maxwell color printing press, which this week had its first trial in Budapest.

In March, Maxwell became publisher of Magyar Hirlap, a leading morning paper in the Hungarian capital.

Ownership of the latest color newspaper press in Budapest gives Maxwell a leading edge over his competitors. Maxwell said today, "I want to help the Hungarian people to foster their democracy by establishing a creative, technologically advanced free press, I also want to strengthen the Hungarian economy by investing money into its free enterprise."

In addition to Maxwell's 40 percent share of Esti Hirlap, of which he is now publisher, 40 percent is owned by Hirlapkiado, a government publishing house, and 20 percent by the Journalists' Foundation.

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#90312p4982 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, NJ (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Public Service Electric and Gas Co. (NYSE: PEG) (PSE&G) today told the N.J. Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) that installation of cooling towers at Salem Nuclear Generating Station would impose an unnecessary and expensive burden on four million electric ratepayers without producing any meaningful improvement in the ecology of the Delaware River.

PSE&G's comments came during a public hearing on the DEP's draft water discharge permit for Salem station that would mandate backfitting the station with cooling towers.

The Federal Clean Water Act requires that thermal discharge - the temperature of cooling water released into the river - not cause significant harm to aquatic life and that cooling water intake systems reflect the best technology available for minimizing adverse impact on the aquatic ecosystem.

The DEP is responsible for enforcing the Federal Clean Water Act requirements through issuance of water discharge permits. The two-unit Salem station is located in Lower Alloways Creek Township, Salem County.

In testimony today, Lawrence R. Codey, PSE&G senior vice president-electric, said: "PSE&G strongly opposes this draft permit condition which necessitates the backfitting of the station with cooling towers.

We believe the best available information demonstrates, and therefore, the DEP

should conclude, the station operation has not had, is not having, and is not predicted to have significant or appreciable negative harm to the aquatic life of the river."

Also testifying today for PSE&G was Dr. Gerald Lauer of EA Science and Technology. Lauer, a noted aquatic biologist, also concluded that the station's operation has not and will not harm the river. Lauer has assisted PSE&G in its environmental investigation of the Delaware for ten years.

"In light of my review of the more than 22 years of real world river data that has been collected, my interpretation of the results of various scientific models concerning fifth survival, and the data presented in other scientific studies, it is my professional judgment," Lauer said, "that operation of Salem station has not had, is not having and will not have in the future any significant or appreciable harm to the aquatic community in the Delaware River."

Salem station uses the river in two principal ways. First, it withdraws water for cooling, and, second, it discharges this water back to the river at a higher temperature.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - U S West Communications and Northern Telecom have announced the industry's first agreement to market a new central office-based automatic call distribution (ACD) system. ACD systems distribute large volumes of incoming calls, and traditionally require costly on-premise equipment.

U S West said the letter of intent is in response to strong customer and market demand for ACD services which might be more economically provided from the regional holding company's central offices, rather than a customer premise-based solution.

The significance of this announcement, according to Cliff Stice, U S West's executive director of Product Marketing, is that ACD services may now be available for small- and medium-sized customers regardless of current central office switch technology. The announcement was made Wednesday, Nov. 7, at the national convention of the Centrex Users Group in San Diego.

"ACD services will now become affordable for a significant portion of our business customers," said Bob Wineinger, U S West product manager. "Before this development, only very large customers could purchase stand-alone or proprietary CO-based ACD services, which cost thousands, if not millions, of dollars. We believe this solution will address customer needs and open a

market opportunity for ubiquitous CO-ACD services."

U S West is currently finalizing its marketing plans which include pricing, branding, packaging, provisioning and deployment of this product - which Northern has named the Meridian ACD Server.

"Resolution of these issues will be complete in the next 90 days, with customer introduction and general availability scheduled for early 1991," said Jim Hilderbrand, U S West director of voice services.

"We are confident this solution will satisfy customer needs," said Wineinger, "but we will only offer it commercially once we are satisfied with its total service quality."

Stice said: "Our customers told us they needed an affordable, ubiquitous, network-based ACD service. We then issued an RFP (request for proposal) to interested vendors. Northern responded with a strong technical solution which can be quickly implemented.

"This agreement illustrates the type of response and business partnership that will become even more critical in meeting complex customer and market needs for competitive service offerings," Stice added.

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#90312p5002 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEXINGTON, KY (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Kentucky Central Life Insurance Company (NASDAQ: KENCA) had net income of $19.4 million for the first nine months of 1990 which was equal to $1.44 per share.

The announcement was made today by W.E. Burnett, Jr., chairman of the board and president of the 88-year-old Lexington-based company.

Net income for the corresponding period in 1989 was $30.5 million, equal to $2.25 per share.

The company's life insurance in force continued to grow at an excellent rate. Life insurance in force as of Sept. 30 was $54.0 billion, compared to $46.3 billion on the same date a year ago, an increase of $7.7 billion, or 17 percent.

Life insurance sales for the first nine months of the year totaled $12.0 billion, with third quarter sales amounting to $3.6 billion.

Per share income for the third quarter of 1990 was 43 cents, equal to the per

share income for the second quarter of 1990.

Total revenue for the first nine months of 1990 increased 11 percent over the same period a year ago, to $353.1 million, as compared to $318.5 million.

Revenue by category was as follows: Insurance premiums, $142.7 million, up 20 percent. Policy charges from Universal Life and other investment contracts, $59.2 million, up 17 percent.

Investments, $71.7 million, up 5 percent. Other, $79.5 million, down 2 percent.

The increase in revenue was offset by an increase in expenses, primarily in benefits paid on life insurance policies and claims paid on property and casualty policies.

Assets stood at $2.1 billion as of September 30, compared to $1.9 billion on the same date in 1989, an increase of 12 percent. Liabilities and minority interest was $1.8 billion, compared to $1.6 billion, an increase of 14 percent. On a per share basis, shareholders' equity rose from $23.18 to $24.28 in the past year, up 5 percent.

In addition to life and property and casualty insurance, Kentucky Central has operations in consumer finance, broadcasting, and citrus production, all of which have been affected by current economic conditions.

All figures are on a consolidated basis of Kentucky Life Insurance Company and its subsidiaries, which are Mid-Central Investment Co., Inc., Kentucky Finance Co., Inc., Bluegrass Broadcasting Co., Inc., Brevard Groves, Inc., Kentucky Central Insurance Company, Kentucky National Insuarance Company, ARIC Investments, Inc., American Resources Insurance Company, and M-C Realty, Inc..

All figures are reported on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). Per share computations are based on a weighted average of 13,532,977 shares outstanding for the nine months ended September 30, and 13,517,399 shares outstanding for the corresponding period a year ago.

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ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NY (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Command Credit Corporation (NASDAQ: CDMD) has signed an agreement with the Fibak Investment Group in Warsaw to introduce bank credit cards in Poland early next year, the company announced here today.

It is the second such agreement signed by Command, a leader in the secured

credit card industry, in the past month. Earlier, Command said it would assist CredoBank, the first authorized international commercial bank in the Russian Republic, to issue bank credit cards to Soviet citizens.

Terms of the financial agreement were not disclosed. Fibak Investment Group, an international business group specializing in real estate, financial services, art and new business development, is headed by the Polish tennis player Wojtek Fibak.

He has agreed to become a spokesman for Command and will appear on Polish television and in newspapers to promote the Command secured bank credit card program in Poland.

Command specializes in helping banks issue credit cards, particularly in countries where there is very little, if any, means of securing credit rating reports on potential cardholders.

"With a population of over 40 million people, Poland is a potentially huge market for bank credit cards," Chairman William Lucas said. "We are delighted to have an opportunity to work with the Fibak Investment Group to help Polish banks market internationally accepted secured Visa Cards and MasterCards to Polish citizens."

Command Credit Corporation is an international financial services company which assists financial institutions in issuing secured and unsecured bank credit cards. The company is a service member of the American Bankers Association, a registered Member Service Provider with MasterCard International and a registered Independent Sales Organization with VISA.

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EL SEGUNDO, CA. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Hughes Aircraft Co. has been awarded a $1.5 million contract to produce a real-time interface for F-14 aircraft participating in the U.S. Navy's "Top Gun" Tactical Aircrew Combat Training System (TACTS).

The contract, awarded by Ford Aerospace to the Microwave Division of Hughes' Radar Systems Group, is for a digital computer to link the Hughes-built radar in the F-14 into the TACTS system to improve the realism and value of the training program.

"We are very pleased to have won this type of business, which places us into the latest aircraft instrumentation technology on a very vital training system

for the Navy," said Ron Dawson, program manager for the Group.

TACTS allows pilots to fly air combat training missions against one another without ever firing a shot. Instructors on the ground monitor the moves of trainees, in real time, on large, multicolor computer graphics displays that can reproduce terrain and aircraft as viewed from any desired angle. The instructors can coach or communicate with the trainees while monitoring statistics such as "G" forces, air speed, altitude, attitude, angle of attack and other vital information.

Missions also are recorded on tape and can be replayed for the pilot as soon as the exercise is concluded.

Developed by the Cubic Corporation and first deployed in 1973 as the Air Combat Maneuvering Range, TACTS was featured in the movie "Top Gun." The system also is used by the U.S. Air Force, which calls it Air Combat Maneuvering Instrumentation (ACMI), and by the air forces of several other countries.

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#90312p5012 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN, (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Potash Corp. of Saskatchewan Inc. (Toronto: POT) announced today that its board of directors has declared a quarterly dividend of Cdn. $0.18 per share payable Feb. 15, 1991 to shareholders of record Jan. 25, 1991.

CONTACT: Betty-Ann Heggie, VP of Potash Corp. of Saskatchewan, 306-933-8521

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#90312p5015 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - To underscore its commitment to air cargo and to make its fast-growing cargo business more responsive to competitive pressures, American Airlines today announced the restructuring of its cargo department into a separate operating division with the airline.

In announcing the reorganization, Executive Vice President Donald J. Carty noted, "This change emphasizes our commitment to the cargo business. It also recognizes that while cargo uses the same aircraft as our passenger operation, in many ways it already operates as a separate business."

This move reflects the success American has had in cargo since implementing a new cargo strategy a few years ago. It also indicates the increasing importance of cargo to American and to its parent company, AMR Corp. "Cargo accounts for less than 10 percent of American's revenues," said Carty, "but

it is a very important part of our corporate effort."

William R. Boesch, vice president-cargo, becomes president of the American Airlines Cargo Division, with full responsibility for all aspects of American's cargo activity. Boesch remains a vice president of American Airlines.

The new cargo unit will report to Carty.

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#90312p5020 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, IDAHO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Morrison Knudsen Corp. (MK) (NYSE: MRN) announced today that its board of directors has authorized a systematic program for the repurchase of up to 250,000 of its outstanding shares of common stock (par value $3.33-1/3 per share) for cash in the open market on the the New York Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange. Currently, the company intends to repurchase up to 140,000 shares which would represent just over one percent of the company's 12,424,667 outstanding shares.

William J. Agee, MK's chairman and chief executive officer, said the directors believe the company's common stock represents a good investment.

The repurchased shares will be accumulated by the company and held in treasury for the purpose of providing available shares for employee benefit plans and for other corporate purposes.

The repurchase will commence Monday, Nov. 12, and will be carried out in accordance with certain volume, timing and price constraints imposed by the Securities and Exchange Commission and will otherwise depend on market conditions and other factors.

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RIVERDALE, IL (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Acme Steel Co. (NASDAQ: ACME) has completed the purchase of equipment, inventory, and certain technology for the manufacture of metallic strapping tools and parts from The Interlake Packaging Corp., Oak Forest, Ill. The purchase price was not disclosed. Acme previously announced it had signed a letter of intent for the acquisition.

CONTACT: Dean Dranias or Audrey Lowe, 312-266-7800, or Donald McMahon or Charles Nekvasil of Acme Steel Co., 708-849-2500

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#90312p5024 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
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#90312p5029 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Conquest Exploration Co. (AMEX: CQX) today reported a net loss for the first nine months of 1990 of $8,594,000, compared to net income of $895,000 for the first nine months of 1989. The company's net loss for the third quarter of 1990 totaled $1,677,000 compared to a net loss of $689,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The company's net income for the nine months of 1989 includes an extraordinary item, the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards to reduce the company's provision for federal income taxes, of $534,000. The company's results of operations include the effect of the operations of Canadian Conquest Exploration Inc. from April 17, 1989, the effective date of the acquisition of that company.

After giving effect to dividends on the company's preferred stock, the company reported a net loss attributable to common shares of $10,197,000, 23 cents per share, in the first nine months of 1990 compared to a net loss of $842,000, 2 cents per share, in the first nine months of 1989.

Results for the first nine months and third quarter of 1990 include charges to expense of $6,767,000 and $983,000, respectively, representing reductions, primarily due to price declines, in the carrying value of certain proved oil and gas properties to expected future recoveries. Such charges totaled $3,938,000 and $1,120,000, respectively, in the first nine months and third quarter of 1989.

CONTACT: Randal B. McDonald of Conquest Exploration Co., 713-440-2000

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#90312p5032 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire
STOUGHTON, MASS. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Reebok is the exclusive athletic footwear and apparel advertiser on CBS Network broadcasts of the U.S. Open Tennis Championships for the next three years, it was announced today by David Ropes, Reebok vice president of marketing services.

Starting in 1991, this multi-million dollar package grants Reebok substantial advertising units and sponsor identification billboards throughout each of the tournaments. Merchandising and advertising tie- ins include print spreads in Tennis Magazine and a special U.S. Open supplement to the New York Times in addition to box seats and hospitality privileges.

Reebok also recently signed a contract with NBC giving it network advertising exclusively in athletic footwear category for NBC's broadcast of the 1991 Olympics.

"Exclusive rights packages allow us to generate unusual power for our advertising dollar," Ropes said. "But just as importantly, they provide a platform for extensive retail promotions during the critical back-to-school season. The main objective is to take the power created by the exclusivity and merchandise it back through our dealer network."

Reebok International Ltd., headquartered in Stoughton, Mass., is a leading designer and marketer of active lifestyle and performance products, including footwear and apparel. The company's operating units include the AVIA, Boston Whaler, Reebok, Rockport and Apparel Products (including the Ellesse sportswear brand) divisions. Sales for 1989 totaled $1.822 billion.

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#90312p5033 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

HACKENSACK, N.J. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - IPCO Corporation (NYSE: IHS) today announced that its shareholders have approved a change in the corporation's name from IPCO Corporation to Sterling Optical Corp. The company's common stock will begin trading under the new symbol "EYE" on the New York Stock Exchange on Nov. 12, 1990.

At the annual meeting, Richard Block, chairman and chief executive officer commented on the company's operations, strategy for growth and the outlook for the optical industry. "Having successfully completed a divestiture program to focus the company solely on Sterling Optical, we are a major force in the marketplace and we are becoming a more formidable competitor as we expand our franchising operations and train our associates to provide superior service.

"Sterling Optical is well positioned to take advantage of the many opportunities in the optical industry," Block added. "We are using our growing database of patient and market information to target our marketing efforts. We also continue to provide better value than many of our competitors, at a time when value is utmost in the mind of the consumer."

Block noted a number of factors which auger well for growth and stability in

the optical industry, including:

-- As the median age in the United States rises, so does the demand for eyewear;
-- The frequency of eyewear purchases has increased in recent years as customers become more aware of the benefits of keeping prescriptions current; and
-- Historically, people do not defer spending to correct faulty vision, even in economic downturns.

Block continued, "Sterling Optical's unique strategy for growth is based on expanding franchising operations and improving company-owned store operations, with the goal of establishing an overall business mix at 75 percent franchised and 25 percent company-owned. We are very enthusiastic about the opportunity that exists for converting private optometric practices into Sterling Optical franchisees. We have also undertaken a program to forge and expand our relationships with proven, profitable franchisees. At the same time, we are working hard to improve company-owned store operations, because we believe that if properly equipped and managed, company-owned stores will be as profitable as franchises and provide an important element of balance to our business mix."

Sterling Optical is the fourth largest optical retailer in the United States. Through 247 stores, 72 of which are franchised, Sterling Optical offers a full line of prescription and non-prescription eyeglasses and sunglasses, contact lenses, optical repair services and, where permitted, optometric examinations.

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#90312p5049 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOSCOW, IDAHO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Advanced Hardware Architectures (AHA) today announced a multi-year agreement with Hewlett-Packard Co. (HP) (NYSE: HWP). Under the agreement, AHA will have exclusive sales rights to HP's Data Compression Lempel-Ziv 2 (DCLZ) data compression coprocessor, and HP will use AHA's Reed-Solomon technology to produce integrated circuits (ICs) for HP tape storage products manufactured in its Bristol, England facility.

The product will be available from AHA as the AHA3101. It is the first widely available high-speed IC to feature the DCLZ standard and is currently the fastest single chip data compression product on the market. The DCLZ format is expected to be adopted as a development standard by both the DDS/DAT and QIC(TM) tape drive manufactures associations.

Applications for the 3101/DCLZ include: QIC tape drives, DDS/DAT helical scan tape drives, high performance disc drives, high speed data communications

systems, SCSI bus adapters and embedded controllers.

The DCLZ is a "lossicss" algorithm that ensures that decompressed data output is exactly the same as the uncompressed data input. It offers a 2:1 compression ratio, as well as an average compression rate of 2.5 Mbytes per second. Redundancy is removed from the data by recognition and encoding patterns of input characters. Each time a unique string of characters occurs the string is entered into a "dictionary" stored on an external SRAM and is assigned a numeric value or codeword.

When subsequent dictionary entries occur, they are replaced by their associated code.

Also to be shared in the agreement is AHA's patented on-the-fly Reed-Solomon (RS) Error Correction technology. These codes are used for correcting "burst" error patterns and random noise, as well as providing the most desirable error correction features per overhead byte. One of AHA's fastest error correction ICs defines a symbol as an eight bit byte, with code blocks defined up to 255 bytes. It can correct up to 10 byte errors or 20 byte erasures per code block, and provides real-time correction at a continuous 10 megabyte data rate. Higher correction rates are also possible.

Data storage applications include magnetic tape and disc, along with optical disc and tape. Communications applications include: HDTV, satellite communications, VSAT fiber optics, high performance modems and LANs, as well as microwave radio, tactical and fiberoptics.

In addition to HP's DCLZ IC, AHA will be able to develop and sell IC products that combine both the RS error correction and the data compression technologies. AHA will be the sole supplier for the HP DCLZ product.

A three-year-old, rapidly growing private company, AHA is a spin-off company using technology licensed by the NASA sponsored Microelectronic Research Center located at the University of Idaho. The company recently moved into a new $2 million Business Technology Center in Moscow.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support.

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DEERFIELD, ILL. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Deerfield Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ: DEER) reported net income of $871,000 and earnings per share of 73 cents for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of

1.6 percent over third quarter earnings. Third quarter net income was $857,000, 72 cents per share.

Net income for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $3,542,000, compared to $4,211,000 a year earlier. Per share earnings for the year were $2.97 in 1990, $3.54 in 1989.

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#90312p5053 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Vintage Petroleum Inc. (NYSE:VPI) announced today third quarter earnings of $1.6 million or 10 cents per share, compared with earnings of $0.4 million or 3 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989. Per share earnings were more than triple those of a year ago despite a 16 percent increase in the number of shares outstanding.

Total revenues of $13.1 million for the third quarter were approximately 32 percent higher than the $9.9 million in the previous year. Oil prices increased during the third quarter, averaging $23.71 per barrel compared to $18.12 per barrel in the third quarter of last year, and $15.83 in the second quarter of 1990. However, gas prices declined, averaging $1.33 per thousand cubic feet, compared to $1.50 in the third quarter of 1989 and $1.39 in the second quarter of 1990.

Third quarter oil and gas production increased 17 percent and 15 percent, respectively, averaging 3,079 barrels of oil and 25.4 million cubic feet of gas per day compared with 2,610 barrels of oil and 22.0 million cubic feet of gas per day last year.

Expenses in the third quarter were 13 percent higher than the previous year as a result of higher operating expenses resulting from the acquisition of oil and gas properties in August, 1990, higher gathering expenses associated with crude oil purchases due to increased oil prices, and higher depreciation and depletion related to the increases in production.

Vintage expects the significantly higher oil prices resulting from the tensions in the Middle East and seasonally higher gas prices to favorably impact revenues and net income for the fourth quarter.

Vintage Petroleum Inc. is an independent energy company engaged in the acquisition, exploitation and development of oil and gas properties, and the marketing of natural gas and crude oil.

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#90312p5057 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Cellular Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ and Midwest: COMM) announced today its operating results for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

(In thousands, except per-share data)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues:		
Service	$28,182	$19,368
Equipment, net	894	356
Total	29,076	19,724
Expenses:		
Operating	5,817	4,391
SG&A	12,730	11,516
Total	18,547	15,907
Operating income	10,529	3,817
Depreciation and amortization	(8,011)	(3,956)
Write-off of deferred cellular license costs	--	(40)
Net interest income (expense)	(1,846)	2,009
Other income (expense)	(2,261)	118
Net income (loss)	(1,589)	1,948
Net income (loss) per common share	$(.04)	$(.05)
Weighted average shares	39,556	42,892
Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues:		
Service	$76,528	$51,526
Equipment, net	2,579	7
Total	79,107	51,533
Expenses:		
Operating	15,829	11,197
SG&A	37,158	32,343
Total	52,987	43,540
Operating income	26,120	7,993
Depreciation and amortization	(21,629)	(11,393)
Write-off of deferred cellular license costs	--	(143)
Loss on sale of operating equipment	--	(9,921)
Net interest income (expense)	(4,050)	2,447
Other income (expense)	(3,172)	118
Gain on sale of partnership interest	48,118	--
Total	45,387	(10,899)
Provision for income taxes	(939)	--

Net income (loss)	44,448	(10,899)
Net income (loss) per common share	$1.07	$(.29)
Weighted average shares	41,356	37,437

Cellular service revenue increased from $19,368,000 to $28,182,000 in the current quarter primarily because of subscriber growth that increased the current revenue stream. The gross profit from telephone equipment increased in 1990 due to increased revenue from the company's cellular phone rental programs.

Operating expenses increased from $4,391,000 to $5,817,000 in the current quarter, representing 23 percent and 21 percent of service revenues, respectively. The increase in absolute terms reflected the increasing level of subscriber activity.

Selling, general and administrative expenses rose from $11,516,000 to $12,730,000 in the current quarter. The increase was attributable to the increase in the costs of servicing and maintaining the larger subscriber base.

Operating income (income after corporate expenses and before depreciation and amortization) increased from $3,817,000 to $10,529,000 in the current quarter.

On July 25, 1990, as amended and restated as of Oct. 5, 1990, the company's board of directors approved an agreement and plan of merger and joint venture organization with Pacific Telesis Group whereby, among other matters, the company's Ohio cellular telephone interests and PacTel's Michigan and Ohio cellular telephone interests will be combined into a joint venture equally owned by the two companies. This agreement is conditioned upon the approval of the company's shareholders at a meeting currently scheduled from Dec. 28, 1990, as well as various regulatory approvals. Included in other expenses is $3,234,000 of special legal, accounting and financial advisory fees relative to the agreement incurred in 1990 as follows: $279,000 in the first quarter, $694,000 in the second quarter and $2,261,000 in the third quarter.

In March 1990, CCI closed a transaction with McCaw Cellular Communications, Inc. by which CCI exchanged the former CCI subsidiary that owns a 5.56 percent interest in the Dallas non-wireline cellular partnership for 1,601,036 shares of CCI common stock that were owned by McCaw. The stock was valued at $50,633,000 and a gain of $48,118,000 was recognized. As a result of this gain, a provision for income taxes of $939,000 was recorded.

CCI owns cellular systems in Ohio and Puerto Rico. CCI's ownership interests in these systems represent 9.4 million "pops" (the population of a market multiplied by CCI's ownership interest in the system).

CONTACT: J. Barclay Knapp, chief operating officer, or Richard J. Lubasch, vice president-general counsel of Cellular Communications, 212-319-7014

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#90312p5059 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARY, N.C. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - In a ceremony here in the heart of the Research Triangle Park region of North Carolina, Industrial & Environmental Analysts, Inc. (IEA) today dedicated a state-of-the-art analytical laboratory facility that will expand the company's capabilities to conduct water, soil and air testing for its customers in the Middle Atlantic states and in the South.

IEA is a wholly owned subsidiary of Bridgeport, Conn.-based Hydrocorp, Inc. Hydrocorp's parent, The Hydraulic Company (NYSE: THC) (THC), is a diversified water services corporation.

On hand to welcome guests to the dedication ceremony, including the mayor of Cary, Koka A. Booth, and other dignitaries, were IEA President Frederick T. Doane and THC Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer William F. Emswiler, who also is president of Hydrocorp.

"This new IEA facility anchors a network of multidisciplinary testing laboratories that THC, through Hydrocorp, is assembling to serve industrial, environmental engineering and government clients along the eastern seaboard," Emswiler said at the dedication.

The THC officer noted that IEA also has laboratories in Essex Junction, Vt., and in North Billerica, Mass.

In a separate development, THC announced today that it had acquired AC Laboratories in Miramar, Fla.

Emswiler, who was the keynote speaker at today's dedication ceremony, observed that the 30,000-square-foot structure into which IEA has relocated, is double the size of its former facility and would employ some 130 employees, up from 90 in December.

"This new facility in reality is five separate laboratories, each built to meet the demands of its own discipline," Emswiler explained, "which may range from groundwater analysis to soil contamination testing to emissions stack sampling."

Emswiler noted that IEA's new laboratory will allow IEA to conduct more-sophisticated testing and process a greater number of samples, while, he added, "it will enable us to further enhance our track of quality service and fast turnaround time, which are key attributes in the testing business."

THC's principal subsidiary is Bridgeport Hydraulic Company, an investor-owned utility that provides public water supply to a population of some 500,000 in

18 Connecticut communities. In addition to its nonutility water management businesses, THC is engaged in forest products, electricity cogeneration and real estate enterprises.

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SACRAMENTO, CALIF (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Ironstone Group Inc. (NASDAQ: IRON) today announced revenues of $60.3 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $67.8 million for the same period in 1989. Losses before a special charge for a litigation settlement in its American National Petroleum subsidiary were $640,000 (6 cents per share) for the quarter compared to losses of $1,187,000 (9 cents per share) in 1989. Ironstone's American National Petroleum subsidiary recognized a special litigation settlement charge of $1,225,000 relating to the settlement in the third quarter of a suit where the plaintiffs had originally sought substantially more in recovery and punitive damages. After this special litigation settlement charge, losses for the quarter totaled $1,865,000 (14 cents per share) compared to $1,187,000 (9 cents per share).

Donald B. Bibeault, chairman and executive officer of Ironstone said, "The third quarter operating results for Ironstone reflect improving results in Iron-Oak Supply's core branches in spite of slow-downs in new housing related business; a moderate increase in energy services sales of our Tyler-Dawson Supply Division and stable operating results in American National Petroleum Co. American National Petroleum has chosen to settle its one major piece of negative litigation. In the future, American National Petroleum should benefit from increased energy prices on its basic business. We also expect our Tyler-Dawson Supply subsidiary to have improved operating results due to the pickup in the domestic energy business. Iron-Oak Supply is less dependent on new housing starts than it was in the past but its results will be negatively affected by slowdowns in the new housing market."

Ironstone Group Inc., through its majority owned subsidiaries, Iron-Oak Supply Corp., Tyler-Dawson Supply Division and American National Petroleum Co. (NASDAQ: ANPC) is engaged in the wholesale distribution of plumbing and mechanical supplies and equipment; pipe, valves and fittings, for the energy services business and in oil and gas exploration and production. Its common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol IRON.

IRONSTONE GROUP INC.
Condensed Consolidated
Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

(Thousands Except Per Share Data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Wholesale distribution	$57,001	$61,949	$172,673	$171,087
Oil and gas	2,529	4,875	7,617	14,187
Interest and other income	742	946	2,490	2,570
Total revenues	60,272	67,770	182,780	187,844
Cost and expenses:				
Cost of sales:				
Wholesale distribution	46,584	50,870	140,803	139,023
Oil and gas	821	2,684	2,495	7,510
Selling, general and administrative	11,237	12,001	34,668	37,705
Depreciation, depletion and amortization, net	586	936	1,798	2,762
Interest expense	2,112	2,396	6,203	6,495
Minority interest in consolidated subsidiaries	(406)	72	(151)	(68)
Total Cost and expenses	60,934	68,959	185,816	193,427
Income (loss) before income taxes	(662)	(1,189)	(3,036)	(5,583)
Income tax benefit (provision)	(38)	22	(35)	59
Equity in net income (loss) of affiliates	60	(20)	163	(14)
Net income (loss) before other charges	(640)	(1,187)	(2,908)	(5,538)
Legal settlement	1,225	0	1,225	0
Restructuring charge	0	0	3,473	300
Net Income (loss)	$(1,865)	$(1,187)	$(7,606)	$(5,838)
Primary and fully-diluted earnings (loss) per common share	$ (0.14)	$ (0.09)	$ (0.56)	$(0.43)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	13,610	13,610	13,610	13,610

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - Kerr Glass Manufacturing Corp. (NYSE: KGM) today reported net earnings increased to $745,000 (prior to preferred stock dividends) for the third quarter of 1990, compared to $25,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

Net earnings applicable to common stockholders (after deduction for preferred stock dividends) increased to $538,000 or 15 cents per common share (primary and fully diluted) for the third quarter of 1990, compared to a net loss of $182,000 or 5 cents per common share (primary and fully diluted) for the 1989 third quarter.

The company said the increase in earnings in the third quarter of 1990, as compared to the same period in 1989, was the result of higher earnings in the plastic products and glass container businesses.

Net sales for the 1990 third quarter increased to $81,339,000 compared to $74,541,000 for the third quarer of the prior year. The increase in sales was attributable to a 15 percent increase in sales of glass containers and a 13 percent increase in sales of plastic products.

Roger W. Norian, chairman, president and chief executive officer, stated that the plastic products business continued to show substantial improvement over 1989 due to productivity improvement and an increase in sales volume. Glass container results improved in the third quarter of 1990 compared to the same period in 1989, due primarily to increased sales. Norian also stated that metal crowns and consumer products results declined in the third quarter of 1990, compared to the same period in 1989.

Net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 (prior to preferred stock dividends) was $442,000 compared to $2,060,000 a year ago. Net loss applicable to common stockholders in the first nine months of 1990 was $179,000 or 5 cents per common share (primary and fully diluted), compared to net earnings applicable to common stockholders of $1,439,000 or 39 cents per common share (primary and fully diluted) in the first nine months of 1989.

The decrease in earnings for the nine month period was primarily attributable to lower earnings in the consumer products business, due to higher costs coupled with lower sales prices and the cost of introducing Kerr pie filling and pickling spices.

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#90312p5073 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENLO PARK, CALIF. (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - SRI International announced that the David Sarnoff Research Center, a fully owned subsidiary, has named Curtis R. Carlson and Michael Ettenburg as Division Vice Presidents.

"Drs. Ettenberg and Carlson will be strong additions to Sarnoff's senior staff bringing a record of excellent technical achievement, along with demonstrated business skills," said Dr. James E. Carnes, in making the announcement.

Carnes was named president of Sarnoff in an earlier announcement, effective Dec. 1 when James J. Tietjen, Sarnoff's current president, will assume the presidency of SRI.

"Our new organization reinforces our client-oriented approach. Curt Carlson has spearheaded our recent success in information systems, while Mike Ettenberg has been at the forefront of our solid state and optoelectronic technology," said Carnes. They will join Carmen Catanese who remains a division vice president.

Carnes also announced that Jay Brandinger will become vice president of Strategic Alliance Development.

"Jay Brandinger has shown a real ability to lead Sarnoff into unique partnership arrangements, and we want him full time in this area as development of consortia and partnerships become more important," said Carnes.

Carnes indicated that the remaining organizational changes will be announced on Nov. 30.

The Sarnoff Center became a subsidiary of SRI International in April 1987, following RCA Corp.'s merger with General Electric Company, and GE's subsequent transfer of Sarnoff. Sarnoff operates as a contract research company in Princeton, N.J., and is noted for its early work in television, including the development of the NTSC standard in use in the United States today, as well as for leadership in optoelectronics, integrated circuits and video systems.

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#90312p5076 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - On Oct. 17, 1990, Fluor Corp. (NYSE: FLR) was dismissed from legal proceedings brought by Lee & Associates regarding the 1985 sale of Fluor's Irvine complex. A Los Angeles Times article today failed to mention the court's decision in favor of Fluor in the suit. In making this ruling, the court determined Fluor had no liability whatsoever for any commissions or damages which may be awarded in the case.

In reaching its decision to dismiss Fluor from the case the court found that: Fluor Corp. had no written, or oral, agreements with Lee & Associates concerning the sale of the facility and Fluor had not conspired with Trammell Crow to interfere with possible commission payments.

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#90312p5080 11/08/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (NOV. 8) PR NEWSWIRE - The Titan Corp. (NYSE: TTN) today announced revenues and earnings for its quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues rose 40 percent to $34.3 million from $24.5 million in the year earlier period. Net income decreased to $250,000 for the third quarter of 1990 compared to $647,000 a year ago. Earnings per share (after preferred dividend requirements) decreased to $.01 per share from $.05 per share a year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues rose 24 percent to $87.4 million from $70.4 million in 1989. Net income increased to $1,360,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $1,258,000 for the same period of 1989. Earnings per share (after preferred dividend requirements) for the first nine months of 1990 was $.09 compared to $.06 for the same period a year ago.

The decreased third quarter earnings were principally the result of delayed orders at SESCO, Titan's manufacturer of military computers. The increased earnings for the first nine months is primarily the result of significantly increased revenues.

"Titan has been experiencing strong revenue growth this year even prior to the acquisition of Titan Linkabit Corporation in July," stated Gene W. Ray, Titan's president and chief executive officer. "Management is also continuing its effort to maintain strong cash flow and improve margins."

The Titan Corporation specializes in providing turnkey hardware and software systems solutions to the high technology needs of U.S., state and local government agencies; and of commercial and industrial clients, both foreign and domestic. Specific areas of expertise include systems development and integration, advanced technology development and electronic manufacturing.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) TASS - U.S. VICE PRESIDENT'S WIFE MARILYNE QUAYLE WILL PAY A VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION FROM NOVEMBER 14 TO 20. SHE WILL ARRIVE WITH A DELEGATION OF REPRESENTATIVES OF AMERICAN AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS ENGAGED IN QUESTIONS OF PREPARATIONS IN THE EVENT OF EMERGENCIES AND PROVIDING AID TO THOSE SUFFERED.

HER VISIT AIMS TO PROMOTE MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION BETWEEN SOVIET AND AMERICAN ORGANISATIONS CHARGED WITH PROVIDING AID TO THOSE SUFFERED AS A RESULT OF CATASTROPHIES AND CALAMITIES OF NATURE, THE VICE-PRESIDENT'S PRESS DEPARTMENT REPORTS.

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CASTEAU (NOV 8) TASS - IN THE RUN-UP TO HIS VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION, GENERAL JOHN GALVIN, SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER IN EUROPE, WAS INTERVIEWED BY TASS AT THE SUPREME HEADQUARTERS OF THE ALLIED POWERS IN THE BELGIAN CITY OF CASTEAU.

"I AM VERY MUCH LOOKING FORWARD TO THE VISIT FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS, OF COURSE," GALVIN SAID. "IT WILL BE MY FIRST CHANCE TO SEE A COUNTRY ABOUT WHICH I HAVE HEARD A LOT. I KNOW SUCH RUSSIAN AUTHORS LIKE TOLSTOY AND DOSTOYEVSKY. FROM A MILITARY POINT OF VIEW - BECAUSE I HAVE STUDIED THE SOVIET UNION AS A SOLDIER FOR MOST OF MY CAREER BUT, ABOVE ALL, I AM LOOKING FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO EVERYONE I CAN ABOUT MY IDEAS AND TO LISTEN TO OTHER IDEAS FROM PEOPLE THERE."

SPEAKING ABOUT CHANGES IN THE MILITARY AND STRATEGIC SITUATION IN EUROPE, GALVIN EMPHASISED THAT "THE SIGNING OF THE CONVENTIONAL ARMS TREATY IS A MAJOR CONCRETE STEP" IN THIS PROCESS.

"WE WILL SEE A REDUCTION IN SYSTEMS OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT FOR WAR. THIS WILL MEAN ALSO A REDUCTION OF A LEVEL OF CONFRONTATION THAT HAS EXISTED FOR A LONG TIME BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES. THEREFORE, I BELIEVE, WE WILL HAVE TAKEN THE MOST IMPORTANT STEP THAT WE CAN TAKE TOWARD A PROTECTED PEACE IN EUROPE," GALVIN STRESSED.

"IT WAS VERY CLEAR WHEN PRESIDENT GORBACHEV MADE A SPEECH IN THE UNITED NATIONS IN DECEMBER, 1988, THAT IDEOLOGY WILL NO LONGER BE THE BASIS FOR RELATIONS AMONG NATIONS, AND THAT THERE WILL BE A NEW THINKING AND A NEW APPROACH TO SUCH THINGS AS THE SUFFICIENCY OF THE DEFENCE. THE SIGNING OF THE VIENNA TREATY IS A MAJOR CONCRETE STEP IN A DIRECTION WHICH BEGAN, I THINK, WITH PRESIDENT GORBACHEV'S COMMENTS MADE IN THIS SPEECH," GALVIN SAID.

"I BELIEVE THAT FIRST OF ALL WE NEED A MATRIX OF TREATIES, WHICH CLEARLY PROVIDE THE CONCRETE BASIS FOR A RELATIONSHIP IN TERMS OF SECURITY. BY THIS I MEAN INF TREATY, THE CONVENTIONAL TREATY, THE SNF TREATY. I MEAN THE START OF NEGOTIATIONS ABOUT LONG-RANGE NUCLEAR WEAPONS. I MEAN ALSO THE ATTEMPTS THAT WE HAVE BEEN MAKING THAT, I HOPE, WILL BE SUCCESSFUL IN THE FUTURE -- WITH CHEMICAL WEAPONS TREATY.

"AND I WOULD LIKE THE OTHER POSSIBILITIES OF THE FUTURE TO CONTINUE ALONG THESE LINES. THIS PROVIDES THE BASIS, I THINK, FOR A GOOD SECURITY RELATIONSHIP. HOWEVER, TREATIES DEPEND ON ORGANISATIONS, AND I BELIEVE THAT,

FOR EXAMPLE, WE STILL NEED THE CONFERENCE ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION AND WE STILL NEED NATO," GALVIN STRESSED.

ASKED WHAT OPPORTUNITIES WERE OPENED BY CONTACTS BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ARMED FORCES OF NATO AND THE USSR, GALVIN SAID: " I CAME TO THINK SOMETIMES ABOUT PROBLEMS THE WAY WE WOULD THINK OF A LOG-JAM ON A RIVER WHERE MANY LOGS ARE SOMETIMES CUT UP TOGETHER AND THERE IS NO MOVEMENT, AND THEY FORM A BLOCK. BUT SOMETIMES BY THE REMOVAL OF JUST ONE OR TWO SMALL LOGS THE REST BEGIN TO MOVE AGAIN.

"SOMETIMES, WE MILITARY, DISCUSS SOME OF THE QUESTIONS WHICH, PERHAPS, DO NOT REACH THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS. BUT, IN FACT, THERE MAY BE MORE QUESTIONS OF RATHER LOWER LEVEL, BUT I PICK UP THOSE SMALL LOGS IN THE MESS OF WOOD THAT WON'T MOVE, AND WHEN YOU PULL OUT THESE LOGS - THEN THINGS PROGRESS. MAY BE IN OUR DISCUSSIONS WE CAN FIND SOME OF THESE LOGS," GALVIN SAID.

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#90312t1283 11/08/1990 ~ts

ISLAMABAD (NOV 8) TASS - PAKISTANI PRIME MINISTER MOHAMMAD NAWAZ SHARIF ANNOUNCED ON WEDNESDAY THAT HE LIFTS THE STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE COUNTRY, WHICH WAS DECLARED IN THE RUN-UP TO THE ELECTIONS TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, THE LOWER CHAMBER OF PARLIAMENT, AND THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLIES OF PROVINCES HELD LATE IN OCTOBER.

IN HIS RADIO AND TELEVISION ADDRESS TO THE NATION, SHARIF SET OUT A PROGRAMME OF HIS GOVERNMENT'S ACTIVITY IN FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC POLICIES. HE SAID PAKISTAN INTENDED TO PURSUE THE INDEPENDENT FOREIGN POLICY AND MAINTAIN FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH NEIGHBOURING STATES, INCLUDING INDIA.

HE DESCRIBED EXTENDING MULTIFARIOUS TIES AND STRENGTHENING FRIENDSHIP WITH THE UNITED STATES, THE USSR AND OTHER COUNTRIES, AND SUPPORT FOR THE STRUGGLE BY KASHMIR'S MOSLEMS FOR SELF-DETERMINATION IN LINE WITH U.N. RESOLUTIONS AMONG THE PRIORITY TASKS OF THE ISLAMABAD ADMINISTRATION.

SHARIF SAID THAT IN THE ECONOMY EMPHASIS WOULD BE PUT ON HANDLING ENERGY PROBLEMS, PURSUING INDUSTRIALISATION AND ACHIEVING SELF-SUFFICIENCY IN THE PRODUCTION OF ESSENTIAL INDUSTRIAL GOODS AND FOOD. TO THIS END, THE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO DE-NATIONALISE SEVERAL STATE ENTERPRISES, INCLUDING SOME DEFENCE INDUSTRY FACILITIES, AND ISSUE NEW PRIVILEGES FOR FOREIGN INVESTORS.

SHARIF EMPHASISED HIS CABINET'S READINESS TO IMPLEMENT A PROGRAMME OF SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS FOR THE POPULATION AGAINST PRICE HIKES, MEASURES TO COMBAT UNEMPLOYMENT AND ILLITERACY, AND SECURE AN IMPROVEMENT IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEM.

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BONN (NOV 8) TASS - GERMAN SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OSKAR LAFONTAINE, WHOM THE PARTY HAS NOMINATED ITS CANDIDATE FOR CHANCELLOR, SAID IN A STATEMENT, RELEASED HERE ON NOVEMBER 7, THAT HE WELCOMES PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV'S FORTHCOMING VISIT TO GERMANY

LAFONTAINE NOTED THAT THE SOVIET PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO UNITED GERMANY IS TIMED TO COINCIDE WITH THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF AN IMPORTANT EVENT IN THE COUNTRY'S HISTORY -- THE FALL OF THE BERLIN WALL.

GORBACHEV'S FOREIGN POLICY FACILITATED THE BREAK-THROUGH IN THE FIELD OF EAST EUROPEAN PEOPLES' RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND DEMOCRATIC DEVELOPMENT, THE STATEMENT SAYS.

THE SOVIET PRESIDENT HAS MADE A SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE CREATION OF CONDITIONS NEEDED FOR GERMAN UNIFICATION AND FOR BRIDGING THE RIFT IN EUROPE.

AS A RESULT, REAL OPPORTUNITIES HAVE OFFERED THEMSELVES FOR BUILDING A EUROPEAN-SCALE PEACEFUL ORDER, AND THESE OPPORTUNITIES SHOULD BE USED. EQUITABLE COOPERATION IS THE BASIS FOR EUROPEAN INTEGRATION IN THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN RIGHTS FIELDS.

THE GERMAN SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY APPROVES OF THE BILATERAL DOCUMENTS DUE TO BE SIGNED DURING GORBACHEV'S VISIT -- THE TREATY OF GOOD-NEIGHBORLINESS, PARTNERSHIP AND COOPERATION AND THE TREATY ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF WIDE-SCALE COOPERATION IN THE ECONOMIC, INDUSTRIAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL FIELDS.

SOCIAL DEMOCRATS WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO TRANSLATE THESE PLANS INTO LIFE, LAFONTAINE'S STATEMENT SAYS.

THAT THE SOVIET PRESIDENT WILL ARRIVE IN GERMANY TO SIGN THE TREATIES IN PERSON, DESPITE THE COMPLICATED POLITICAL SITUATION AT HOME, TESTIFIES TO THE IMPORTANCE HE ATTACHES TO BILATERAL RELATIONS, BUNDESTAG FREE DEMOCRATIC PARTY DEPUTY OLAF FELDMANN SAID HERE TODAY.

"WE GERMANS," HE SAID, "MUST FEEL SPECIAL INTEREST IN DEEPENING THESE RELATIONS. WITHOUT SUCCESSFUL DEMOCRATIC AND PEACEFUL RESTRUCTURING IN THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE, A FAIR AND SOLID PEACE IS IMPOSSIBLE IN EUROPE," HE SAID.

GERMAN MINISTER OF ECONOMICS HELMUT HAUSMANN SAID IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE SAAR RADIO DEVOTED TO THE FORTHCOMING VISIT, THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS NOT APPROACHED THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WITH A DIRECT REQUEST FOR CREDITS.

THE VISIT PURSUES OTHER OBJECTIVES, HE NOTED. IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT REFORMS AIMED AT TRANSFERRING THE ECONOMY TO MARKET RELATIONS, THE SOVIET UNION NEEDS HARD CURRENCY. THIS IS WHY TALKS ARE UNDER WAY ON EXPANDING SOVIET LONG-TERM

SUPPLIES OF OIL AND GAS TO GERMANY. THIS WOULD GIVE THE USSR CURRENCY RESOURCES TO PAY FOR IMPORTS OF COMMODITIES AND ENSURE FUNDING FOR JOINT PROJECTS. THE MINISTER VOICED CONFIDENCE THAT ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN GERMANY AND THE SOVIET UNION WILL NOT FALL INTO THE BACKGROUND BECAUSE OF THE NEED TO INVEST INTO THE FIVE NEW FEDERAL STATES.

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#90312u0001 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 8) UPI - About 100-thousand additional troops are being sent to the Persian Gulf. The Pentagon will send a minimum of 106-thousand-500 troops from Europe and the United States to the gulf. That number does NOT include support personnel. At least 50-thousand troops will come from Army tank units... another 40-thousand are Marines... and a minimum of 16-and-a- half-thousand sailors are on three aircraft carriers and the battleship U-S-S Missouri, which will go to the gulf.

Drug policy chief William Bennett is giving up his job. He says he will become a fellow at the American Enterprise Institute and is under contract to write a book about education and may likely do one on drugs, too. Bennett says he is satisfied that he accomplished his mission- the implementation of an anti-drug strategy- and obtained ''some results.'' He earlier served as Ronald Reagan's education secretary and director of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The Department of Energy has suspended indefinitely construction at its Argonne National Laboratory near Chicago... citing inadequate worker health and safety controls. Suspended projects include building additions and other structural upgrades. The Energy Department's decision does NOT affect the lab's high-energy X-ray generator that will be completed in two years.

A Roman Catholic priest once accused of lying to bolster Claus von Bulow's defense in his attempted-murder case was indicted today. The Reverend Philip Magaldi was indicted in Providence, Rhode Island, on charges he stole 200-thousand dollars from his parish. Magaldi now heads a parish in Henrietta, Texas. Von Bulow was acquitted of trying to kill his wife, Sunny.

Three Navy employees have been arraigned on charges connected to a cross-burning on the lawn of a racially mixed couple in Oak Harbor, Washington. Oak Harbor Police Chief Thomas Miller told a news conference that on the night of the cross-burning last month, the three Navy mechanics watched news reports on the trial of a white supremacist in Portland, Oregon. The supremacist was convicted.

The U-S ambassador to the United Nations, Thomas Pickering, says the United States remains committed to overturning a 15-year-old U-N resolution equating Zionism with racism. But Pickering says he does NOT intend to push for a vote to repeal it at the current General Assembly session because he is NOT sure a majority supports the repeal.

Two baseball Hall of Famers will make anti-drug film for Little Leaguers. Hank Aaron and Jim Palmer will make the film at a federal government studio. Health Secretary Louis Sullivan made the studio available because he says when he was young, he would've listened to anything said by his hero... boxing legend Joe Louis. Sullivan says he's thrilled Little Leaguers can have similar anti-drug role models.

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#90312u0088 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, India (NOV. 8) UPI - Prime Minister V.P. Singh lost a vote of confidence in the lower house of Parliament and resigned, ending his 11-month-old government in the world's largest democracy.

Singh submitted the resignation of his National Front coalition government Wednesday to President R. Venkataraman, who is expected to begin the process of forming a new government Thursday.

''Consequent to the voting ... on the motion of confidence, I and my colleagues in the Council of Ministers hereby tender our resignations so that the process of formation of a new goverment could begin,'' Singh said in the resignation letter.

''I wish to express to you my gratitude and of my council for the consideration and courtesy you have always extended to us.''

Singh began losing key political support last month in a row over relocating a Moslem mosque to make room for a Hindu temple. The collapse of the 11-month-old government came at the end of a day of debate and political rhetoric over the leadership of the world's largest democracy.

Of the 488 legislators, 346 voted against the prime minister and his administration. It was the first Indian government defeated by a Parliament vote.

''We will continue to fight for the principles for which we have sacrificed the government,'' Singh said after his defeat.

Although the future of India's leadership was still in doubt, it appeared that Chandra Shekhar, a dissident leader of Singh's Janata Dal party, might be allowed to form a government with the backing of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

Shekhar and Gandhi met Tuesday and agreed to ''work together.'' Later, a Congress (I) spokesman said the party had decided to support the dissident leader in his efforts to form a government.

Former Deputy Prime Minister Devi Lal said he was ''delighted'' with Singh's defeat.

Shekhar emerged as the leading contender for the prime ministership on Monday when he and Lal split Singh's Janata Dal into two more or less equal factions.

Singh's political fortunes went into a nosedive Oct. 23 when the Hindu fundamentalist Bharatiya Janata Party withdrew its crucial support from his coalition government.

That blow came just hours after authorities arrested BJP President L.K. Advani when he failed to heed a government warning to halt a drive to relocate a Moslem mosque and begin construction of a Hindu temple to honor an important Hindu god.

The government feared the campaign would spark violence between Hindus and Moslems. The BJP pressed ahead with its plan, storming the complex surrounding the mosque in the northern Uttar Pradesh town of Ayodhya. Clashes between radical Hindus and police in Ayodhya and between members of both religions in six states left more than 200 people dead.

During a speech in Parliament Wednesday, Singh said he did not regret his decision to stop Advani and the temple construction plan.

Hindu radicals claim that the mosque that occupies the Ayodhya site was built by the Moghul emperor Babbar after he destroyed a temple marking the birthplace of Lord Rama, one of the most important gods in the vast Hindu pantheon.

Moslem leaders refute the claim and contend that no temple ever existed at the disputed place.

The Ayodhya dispute has been smoldering since February 1986, when a court agreed to allow Hindus to worship in the mosque. The move led to widespread communal riots in northern India.

Singh's coalition government ruled with the unlikely support of the Communist Party of India (Marxist), its left-wing allies and the right- wing BJP.

Support of the BJP was necessary for the survival of the coalition government, although the party was not a member of the coalition.

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#90312u0099 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (NOV. 8) UPI - Followers of assassinated right-wing Rabbi Meir Kahane broke away from the funeral procession for the anti-Arab extremist, and attacked Arabs and journalists, injuring four people.

Kahane was buried Wednesday under heavy police security in Israel, the nation he wanted to ''purify'' by expelling all Arabs.

Despite warnings by authorities that violence would not be tolerated, small groups of Kahane followers broke away from a huge funeral procession to attack Arabs and journalists.

The extremists, chanting ''death to the Arabs,'' wounded two Arabs, stabbing one of them in the stomach, and injured two policemen trying to restore order. One group chased a television crew into the Israel Television building before being dispersed.

Police estimated up to 15,000 people joined the four-hour funeral, which included a 3-mile procession to the cemetery where hundreds of officers were deployed to prevent disturbances.

Kahane's body was flown to Israel from New York, where the extremist leader was shot dead Monday night. The body was first brought to Kahane's Jewish Idea seminary in the poor, working-class Shmuel Hanavi neighborhood where he found many of his supporters.

Several thousand mourners filled the narrow streets to hear eulogies for the extremist rabbi, ostracized by most of Israeli society. The crowd was subdued and responded only occasionally to the fiery speeches by Kahane's family and associates, several of whom called for vengeance.

''We will let our friend the machine gun talk. We will let our friend the knife talk,'' one speaker thundered.

At one point, some mourners chanted, ''Death to the Arabs,'' but the crowd did not join in. Activists from Kahane's Kach movement carried the organization's flags with a black fist and Star of David on a yellow field.

Followers of the American-born rabbi have warned of reprisals against Arabs for the assassination. An Egyptian immigrant to the United States, El-Sayyid Nosair, 34, has been charged with second-degree murder in the killing.

Dozens of police, many armed with Uzi submachine guns, lined the route of the funeral procession. Additional police patrols were deployed in Jerusalem and throughout Israel. Palestinians from the occupied territories were prevented from entering the holy city.

Kach members were warned ''that police intend to respond decisively against any obstructions of public order or violence against Arabs,'' a police spokesman said.

Kahane followers have frequently disrupted the funerals of Israelis killed in

Arab attacks, and been involved in anti-Arab reprisals.

Police provided protection for journalists, who have been assaulted by Kach activists. Many Arab workers stayed home from their jobs in Israel, fearing reprisal attacks.

Science and Technology Minister Yuval Ne'eman, a member of the far right-wing Tehiya Party who was to represent the government at the funeral, was barred from speaking because he supported the legislation that banned Kahane from parliament. However, Ne'eman later told Army Radio that Kahane was a ''proud Jew and a brave warrior.''

Shortly before the funeral, Kahane's anti-Arab views continued to cause controversy in the Israeli parliament, the Knesset. Left-wing members condemned his death, but attacked his views during a special session called to discuss his assassination.

Kahane advocated the expulsion of all Arabs from Israel and the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. He was elected to the Knesset in 1984, but was barred from poltics in 1988 by a law outlawing racist parties.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

Basketball

Washington at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Orlando at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Utah, 9:30 p.m.

BOXING

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Las Vegas, Nev. - Kelcie Banks vs. Felix Gonzalez

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
London - Lloyd Honeyghan vs. Carlos Castillo

GOLF

Maui, Hawaii - PGA Isuzu Kapalua International

HOCKEY

Quebec at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.
Calgary at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Vancouver at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Detroit at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.
Edmonton at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Indianapolis - $150,000 Kraft General Foods
London - $500,000 Silk Cut Championships
Moscow - $330,000 Kremlin Cup
Worcester, Mass. - $350,000 Virginia Slims of New England

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#90312u0128 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 8) UPI - John Ogrodnick says he's still a little rusty but he's starting to get his scoring touch back. Is he ever.

Ogrodnick scored two goals and set up another during the Rangers' four-goal second period Wednesday night, helping New York snap a three- game losing streak with a 6-2 victory over the Buffalo Sabres.

The Rangers scored three goals - two by Ogrodnick - in a 2:59 span of the second period en route to their first victory over the Sabres since Feb. 24, 1987.

Ogrodnick was a late arrival to the Rangers' training camp and his early-season numbers reflected his tardiness. But lately he's been on a tear.

He's scored seven goals in his last five games and attributes his recent scoring prowess to nothing more than hustle.

''Earlier in the year, it was a timing thing, it was a little off,'' said Ogrodnick, who tallied 43 goals with the Rangers, but had difficulty re-signing with the team before the season. ''You've got to move your feet and find the holes. Before, I was standing still.''

Trailing 1-0 in the second period, the Sabres tied it on a goal by Dave Andreychuk. But then the Rangers got busy.

Ogrodnick got it started, breaking in on Buffalo goaltender Daren Puppa. Puppa stopped Ogrodnick's shot but was unable to cover the rebound and James Patrick poked it in at 8:06 for his third goal of the season.

The Rangers then notched their first power-play goal in four games and took a 3-1 lead at 13:35 when Ogrodnick took a feed from Darren Turcotte behind the

net and slid the puck under Puppa's right pad for his 10th goal of the season.

Ogrodnick then put the Rangers up 4-1 just 1:18 later, finishing a 2- on-1 break with Kevin Miller. Miller waited for Sabres defenseman Mike Ramsey to commit before passing to Ogrodnick charging the net.

Troy Mallette completed the Rangers four-goal outburst with his fourth goal of the season at 16:34. Mallette was parked in front of Puppa and banged in a pass from Bernie Nicholls.

The Rangers were flat in their Monday night loss to the Boston Bruins and were 0-for-19 on the power play before Ogrodnick's first tally.

''We weren't scoring, we went into a litle bit of a slump,'' Ogrodnick said. ''You have to look at it as 'Are we executing right?' You just have to work out of it.''

After a very slow start to the season, the Sabres improved. But they looked shabby on defense against the Rangers and Coach Rick Dudley wasn't pleased.

''I'm gonna treat this like a bad game,'' Dudley said. That's all. We've played pretty well lately and until I see a trend, I'm gonna treat ''l lately and un

Brian Mullen, Ray Sheppard and Nicholls collected two assists each for the Rangers and Kevin Miller added a goal and an assist. Mike Richter made 34 saves for New York.

Richter wasn't too concerned about the Rangers' recent slump.

''We had to dig down and pick it up one more notch,'' he said. ''We were playing okay when we lost those three games, but we barely put the puck in the net and we were just coming up short. A little pressure was there, but we know we had to play as well as we can and theings will take care of themselves.''

New York defenseman Randy Moller swffered a dislocated left shoulder late in the second period after colliding with Buffalo's Mike Foligno. He is expected to be sidelined 4 to 5 weeks.

Elsewhere in the NHL, Boston blanked Montreal 2-0 and the New York Islanders defeated New Jersey 6-3.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Bruins 2, Canadiens 0

At Montreal, Andy Moog turned aside 23 shots to earn his first shutout of the season and Dave Christian scored a power-play goal one minute into the third

period to snap a scoreless tie. The victory kept the Bruins in first place in the Adams Division, two points ahead of the Canadiens, who had a three-game undefeated streak snapped.

Islanders 6, Devils 3

At East Rutherford, N.J., Patrick Flatley scored his second goal of the game during a four-goal third period to pace New York. Flatley's 11th goal of the season gave New York a 4-3 lead at 13:35 of the third. With the Islanders on the power play, Flatley took a drop pass from Brent Sutter and beat goalkeeper Sean Burke with a 10-footer. Pat LaFontaine had two goals and an assist for the Islanders.

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TOKYO (NOV. 8) UPI - Former Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone returned Thursday from Iraq with 74 freed Japanese hostages amid questions about what he may have promised Saddam Hussein to win their release.

The number of Japanese hostages freed had been expected to reach 77, but in a capricious twist Iraqi authorities at the last moment withdrew exit permission for three hostages, a senior member of Nakasone's delegation said. It was unclear why permission was withdrawn.

The three were reportedly replacements for men who refused to leave their fellow captives behind.

Nakasone went to Baghdad Saturday to seek the release of the more than 300 Japanese who were trapped in Iraq and Kuwait. In addition, he formally demanded the release of all other hostages, the Foreign Ministry said.

The Nakasone mission, though unofficial, raised questions of whether Japan was cutting a separate deal with Iraq.

In a press conference following his arrival, Nakasone said, ''We didn't make any promises; we didn't leave behind any press release or communique which could obligate the Japanese government.''

The delegation adhered to Japan's official position that Iraq should comply with United Nations resolutions by withdrawing from Kuwait and releasing all hostages unconditionally, said Nakasone, 71.

But he said he also conveyed Japan's desire for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

The Iraqis reportedly offered to free all their hostages if Japan would promise to oppose any military assault on Iraq.

Despite Nakasone's claim that he gave no promises, speculation abounded in the Japanese press that he had accepted Iraq's position on linkage during his five-day visit to Baghdad.

''It is almost certain that he has agreed that the invasion of Kuwait is linked to the Palestinian problem and that a comprehensive solution to the region's problems must be sought,'' the daily Mainichi Shimbun said in a dispatch from Baghdad.

In addition, Nakasone reportedly appealed in a meeting with Iraqi leaders for the release of all Japanese on the grounds that his country had no troops in the gulf.

While Nakasone was in Iraq, Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic party, of which he is a senior member, abandoned its attempt to pass a bill that would have authorized sending troops to the area as part of a ''United Nations Peace Cooperation Corps.''

On Thursday, a spokesman at Liberal Democratic Party headquarters said a meeting would be held with members of the opposition later in the day to decide on a plan for shelving the bill.

Among the 74 ex-hostages who arrived at Tokyo's Haneda airport in morning sunshine were some who appeared to have suffered in captivity.

One man seemed to be injured and had to be helped down the stairs from the jumbo jet. Another man left in a wheelchair, while several others looked weatherbeaten and worn.

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The other two-thirds were Japanese businessmen who were trapped in Baghdad but not otherwise restricted, news reports said.

The freed hostages were greeted by tearful relatives in a cordoned- off area of the airport.

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#90312u0178 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 8) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

U-S Secretary of State Baker is reminding world leaders that the use of force is still a real possibility to resolve the standoff in the Persian Gulf. Baker arrived in Moscow yesterday for talks today with Soviet President Gorbachev

and the Soviet foreign minister.

The chairman of the Democratic National Committee says ''Reaganomics is dead.'' Ron Brown issued his pronouncement following midterm elections across the nation Tuesday. Brown also believes President Bush will have an uphill battle should he decide to run for relection, describing him as ''clearly vulnerable.''

NASA says an investigation into a series of nine embarrassing mishaps at the Kennedy Space Center did NOT turn up any ''common threads.'' The agency took a look at incidents during the past 13 months. The mishaps included a 70-pound, nine-foot-long beam that fell through a shuttle's engine room.

Another member of Jeffrey Don Lundgren's religious cult was sentenced to life in prison yesterday in Painesville, Ohio. Daniel Kraft pleded guilty in the April 1989 slaying of a family belonging to the cult. Three others have been convicted in the case, and charges are pending against another suspect.

The Egyptian-born boiler repairman accused of killing right-wing Rabbi Meir Kahane was arraigned yesterday at his hospital bedside. The suspect did NOT enter a plea to charges that he fired the bullets that killed Kahane. But police say he gave a written statement late Tuesday denying the shooting.

President Bush will salute William Bennett and accept his resignation in a White House ceremony today. Bush's chief anti- drug enforcer is stepping down after 20 months on the job. The White House says Bennett does NOT have a new job lined up, he simply wants to move up.

A bizzare trial in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, involves a woman who psychiatrists say has 46 personalities. The woman... and three of her personalities... were sworn in yesterday to testify about a sexual encounter one of her personalities had with the defendant in the case, who is charged with rape.

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#90312u0187 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 8) UPI - Some of the most recognizable movie sets at Universal Studios were reduced to ashes in a spectacular fire, but the reality of the rubble turned out to be a tourist attraction on its own.

The trams were filled with tourists Wednesday and Universal said it appeared to be more than business as usual as the visitors snaked along the streets of the backlot past blackened ash heaps that hours before had been the facades that made moviegoers believe they were on the streets New York or Chicago.

Several of the flimsy wooden structures - which look real only from the front and are held up by struts in the back - went up in a firestorm Tuesday night that police are calling arson.

A newly hired security guard who was on duty at the time was arrested after being questioned by arson investigators. Michael J. Huston, 40, who relatives said is a mentally disabled Vietnam veteran who had not had a regular job in 10 years, was arrested shortly after dawn.

Huston was booked on suspicion of arson and held on $1 million bail. His grandmother, Dorothy Montanari, told KCAL-TV that Huston told her, ''You saw that fire on TV? I did it and I'm going to jail.''

Montanari said her grandson, who lived with his mother, did not say if the fire had been set deliberately. Another relative said, ''All I can say is that if he did it, it was an accident.''

Deputies released little information about the suspect except to say he was on duty when the blaze erupted on a sound stage on the back lot at one of the world's most popular tourist attractions.

Fanned by Santa Ana winds gusting to 50 mph, the flames burned for nearly three hours, racing through sets used in such movies as ''Dick Tracy,'' ''The Sting,'' ''Music Man,'' and ''Back To The Future.''

About 200 studio employees, some tour groups, two nearby restaurants and a large theater complex were evacuated, but the only person injured was a firefighter who suffered minor burns.

At the Universal City Hilton about a half-mile away, roadblocks delayed access to the Republican Party's election-night celebration.

Portions of the back lot destroyed included Courthouse Square, where ''Back to the Future'' was filmed; the Dick Tracy Building; the New York Street and New York Alley; Brownstone Square and the set where portions of ''Ben Hur'' were filmed.

Sylvester Stallone's latest movie, ''Oscar,'' will be delayed because the fire burned down its set and charred several antique cars. The fire also damaged the King Kong exhibit, but sprinklers saved the giant ape and the computers that run it. The vaults containing the studio's priceless collection of original film negatives were saved.

An exact damage figure had not been arrived at, but Dan Slusser, general manager of Univeral Studios, said it would be in the millions.

More than 400 firefighters and several water-dropping helicopters battled the blaze, and the flames and smoke could be seen for miles. Firefighters said chemicals and explosives used in filming and on the tram tour fed the fire.

MCA Inc., the parent company of Universal Studios, said the fire destroyed

about 20 percent of the backlot facades, but spared the sound stages where many TV shows are made. MCA said the damaged sets would be restored within six months.

''MCA believes that the loss is fully covered by fire and business-interruption insurance,'' the entertainment giant said in a statement.

Industry analysts said the fire will probably not have any impact on Matsushita Electric Industrial Co.'s pending buyout of MCA in a deal worth an estimated $8 billion.

''The fire is sort of like having a fire in a closet where you were keeping old things you didn't want to throw away,'' said Dennis McAlpine of Oppenheimer & Co. in New York. ''There can't be much value, for example, in the set for 'The Sting,' since it was made more than 15 years ago.''

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#90312u0213 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 8) UPI - Storms dumped snow on New Mexico Thursday, brought heavy rain that caused flooding in Texas and brought high winds to Wyoming, while cold weather covered the East.

A winter storm warning was in effect for the south central mountains of New Mexico and snow and freezing rain hit the southeast and east central plains, while Albuquerque received more than 4 inches of snow and nearly a foot fell on Quemado Lake.

The storm was moving through the south central mountains, bringing accumulations of up to 8 inches, but weather was clearing over much of the state.

Very moist warm air from the Gulf of Mexico confronted colder air moving in from the west in central Texas, bringing steady rain to the region and prompting flood warnings for the Rio Grande plains, Austin, the hill country and much of south central Texas.

Rainfall of 2 to 3 inches was possible throughout the region, parts of which had received an inch of rain in the past day. The storms in New Mexico and Texas were on a collision course, and could bring more heavy rain to Texas.

Strong winds gusting to 45 mph caused blowing and drifting snow near Casper Wyo.

In the Northwest, a small craft advisory remained in effect along parts of the Washington coastline, while high winds eased along the northern front range of the Rockies and in upper Yellowstone Valley in Montana.

Clear skies and cold temperatures covered much of the east, with lows in the 30s in parts of Virginia and Maryland.

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#90312u0245 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 8) UPI - Secretary of State Baker meets today in Moscow with Soviet President Gorbachev and Foreign Minister Shevardnadze. Baker flew to Moscow yesterday from Turkey, where he met with leaders of that nation.

President Bush will officially accept the resignation of federal anti-drug chief William Bennett during a White House ceremony today. Bennett is leaving his job after serving two years.

NASA officials have cleared the space shuttle Atlantis for a November 15th launch. The date is six days behind schedule due to problems with the shuttle's secret military payload, beleived to be a spy satellite.

A criminal court judge went to New York's Bellevue hospital yesterday to arraign the man charged with killing Jewish Defense League founder Meir Kahane Monday night. Officials say El-Sayyid Nosair did NOT enter a plea. .

Kahane was buried yesterday in Israel. Four people were injured when Kahane's followers broke away from the funeral procession and attacked Arabs and journalists. About 15-thousand people attended the four-hour funeral.

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#90312u0277 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 8) UPI - President Bush has scheduled a ceremony at the White House today to honor federal drug policy chief William Bennett, who is resigning. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says President Bush feels that Bennett ''has provided extraordinary leadership and service to the country.'' Bennett's job was created under the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

A security guard at Universal Studios in California is being held on one-Million dollars bond after being arrested and charged with suspicion of arson in a huge fire at the tourist attraction. Officials released few details about the case against Michael Huston, except to say that he was on duty Tuesday night when the fire broke out on a back lot and quickly spread.

A spokeswoman for Santa Fe railroad says the tracks are expected to be clear by late today after a collision between two freight trains yesterday in Corona California. The crash set off a fire that left four crew memeber dead and four injured. The accident occurred when one of the trains rolled into the path of the other, and burst into flames.

The Food and Drug Administration yesterday banned 223 ingredients in

medications that treat afflictions from acne to dandruff. The F-D-A said it took the action because drug manufacturers did NOT submit proof that the ingredients work. Products affected include Tegrin for Psoriasis Lotion and Cream... Packers Shampoo and Packers Soap... and Donnagel .

A new study reports an increase in the amount of sexual activity among teen-age girls in recent years. The report by the Alan Guttmacher Institute found that the proportion of sexually active females between the ages of 15 and 17 rose from 32 percent in 1982 to 38 percent in 1988. Among teen-age girls between the ages of 15 and 19, the rate of sexual activity rose six percent.

The president of India is expected to begin the process of forming a new government today. After losing a vote of confidence in the lower house of parliament yesterday, Indian Prime Minister V-P Singh submitted his resignation. Singh's demise began last month in a dispute over relocating a Moslem mosque to make room for a Hindu temple.

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#90312u0362 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 8) UPI - Iraq may be developing deadly new biological weapons to strike allied troops if war breaks out in the Persian Gulf, Arab sources said Thursday, and Kuwait's exiled defense minister says Iraq collected 650 U.S.-made Hawk missiles in its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

An Arab government official quoted his country's intelligence reports as saying Iraqi scientists are believed to have developed a more powerful strain of the bacteria bacillus anthracis, which causes anthrax and highly fatal pneumonia and skin diseases.

''The Iraqis have been working on anthrax for quite some time but we understand that they have now developed a deadly strain,'' said the official, who asked that his name and nationality not be used.

The claim came a day after the U.N. Security Council's sanctions committee warned that medicine sent to Iraq could be used in chemical and biological warfare.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has not yet used to biological weapons but did use chemical weapons against Iranian troops in the 1980-88 Persian Gulf War and against Iraqi Kurds in Halabja two years ago, killing up to 5,000 Kurds.

Kuwait's exiled defense minister said in remarks published Thursday that Iraqi troops captured 650 U.S.-made Hawk ground-to-air missiles when they invaded oil-rich Kuwait on Aug. 2.

But Sheikh Nawaf al Ahmad al Sabah said he doubted the Iraqis could use them

because ''Kuwaiti army technicians dismantled their launchers after Iraqi troops entered Kuwait.''

Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak made a last appeal Thursday to Saddam to reconsider his occupation of Kuwait and said the alternative would be ''dreadful.''

''Hope (of an Iraq withdrawal) exists until the last minute,'' Mubarak told reporters at Cairo airport while seeing off visiting Zairean President Mobutu Sese Seikou.

''We don't want to see the destruction of Iraq, but this depends on the stance of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ... the alternative (to withdrawal) would be dreadful,'' Mubarak said.

Also in Egypt, a spokeswoman for the U.S. Embassy denied newspaper reports that the United States stationed B-52 bombers in the country.

''There are no B-52 bombers anywhere in the Arab Republic of Egypt,'' the spokeswoman said.

Mubarak's appeal came as both sides used ''get tough'' rhetoric: British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher warned that time was running out for Saddam and the Baghdad government accused Thatcher of being unstable.

Thatcher's warning to Saddam was her sternest yet, demanding the Iraqi president withdraw his own troops ''soon'' from Kuwait or the multinational force assembled against him would ''remove him by force.''

''Time is running out for Saddam Hussein,'' she told the opening session of Parliament. ''The implacalble message from this House must be either he gets out of Kuwait soon, or we and our allies will remove him by force and he will go down to defeat with all its consequences.''

Iraqi Information Minister Latif Nsaif Jassim said Thatcher's speech was filled with hatred for the Iraqi people and showed that her mind was unstable.

Secretary of State James Baker was less pointed but said Wednesday the use of force could not be ruled out and that there can be no partial solution to the crisis caused by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

''Obviously we would all like to see a peaceful, diplomatic and political solution to this problem,'' Baker told reporters in Ankara, Turkey, en route from the Middle East to Moscow. ''At the same time ... we cannot rule out the possible use of force.''

Baker has been meeting for several days with U.S. allies, reportedly seeking their support for a possible military strike against Saddam.

Kuwait's exiled premier took the hardest line, calling for an immediate military strike to oust Iraqi troops from his tiny emirate.

Kuwait's exiled Premier Sheikh Saad al Abdullah al Sabah told the Bahraini daily Al Ayam the United States should strike Iraq and rejected any territorial compromise with Baghdad.

''The only option available now is the military one because the Iraqi regime has insisted not only on challenging the will of the international community, but also continues to hold foreign hostages,'' Saad said.

Saad's remarks indicated the exiled Kuwaiti royal family is losing patience with U.N. economic sanctions against Iraq and wants more drastic measures.

Iraq also stepped up its war of words, charging the United States with ''aggressive intentions'' in a letter to the U.N. General Assembly.

Iraq said the item should be included in a debate because the removal of American forces is a ''humanitarian duty'' that complies with ''all the purposes and principles of the charter of the United Nations.''

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#90312u0429 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 8) UPI - Seventy-four Japanese hostages arrived in Tokyo from Iraq Thursday as Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu announced abandoment of a plan to send non-combat troops to the Persian Gulf.

Japanese officials were quick to say that Kaifu's decision not to send troops to the Middle East was unrelated to Iraq's release Wednesday of 74 Japanese men held against their will since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2.

Kaifu said he wanted to send troops for non-combat duty to assist in the U.S.-led military array against Iraw but his proposal was rebuffed by the Japanese Parliament.

''We have a democratic legislature and despite putting forward what we thought was a good bill, the discussion between opposition and ruling party members has led to this result (the withdrawal of the bill),'' Kaifu said.

''Now we will start discussions with all members to come up with a better bill '' Kaifu said.

Former Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, who won the release of the hostages after meeting with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, denied his mission did anything to disrupt the unity of the nations tryng to force Iraq from Kuwait.

The Japanese media, however, reported that Nakasone appealed for the hostages freedom on the grounds that no Japanese troops were in the gulf.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitwater said in Washington Wednesday that Nakasone, former Chancellor Willy Brandt of West Germany and former British Prime Minister Edward Heath, who also made trips to Baghdad, were ''being used'' by Hussein.

Nakasone denied it in a news conference following his arrival.

''We didn't make any promises. We didn't leave behind any press release or communique that could obligate the Japanese government,'' Nakasone said.

He said he refused to sign a joint communique because the contents were unacceptable.

A senior Foreign Ministry official strongly denied any connection between the release of Japanese hostages and the shelving of the bill that would have given Kaifu the power to send troops to the Gulf.

''There is no linkage between the two,'' said the official, who asked not to be named.

Ichiro Ozawa, the secretary general of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, met with opposition parties Thursday to convey Kaifu's decision to drop the bill.

Public opposition to sending Japanese troops overseas killed any chance the bill had of passing, analysts said.

Ozawa discussed an alternative bill that would involve a volunteer civilian corps.

The number of Japanese hostages to be freed was announced earlier as 77 but Iraqi authorities at the last moment withdrew exit permission for three hostages, a senior member of Nakasone's delegation said.

The three were reportedly replacements for men who refused to leave their fellow captives behind.

Nakasone, 71, went to Baghdad Saturday to discuss the release of the more than 300 Japanese trapped in Iraq and Kuwait. He also formally demanded the release of all foreign hostages, the Foreign Ministry said.

Despite Nakasone's claim that he gave no promises, speculation abounded in the Japanese press that Nakasone accepted some Iraqi positions during his five-day visit to Baghdad.

''It is almost certain that he has agreed that the invasion of Kuwait is linked to the Palestinian problem and that a comprehensive solution to the region's problems must be sought,'' the daily Mainichi Shimbun reported from Baghdad.

A third of the freed hostages had been held at strategic sites in Iraq or Kuwait, where conditions are reportedly harsh. The others were Japanese businessmen trapped in Baghdad but not otherwise restricted, reports said.

The freed hostages were greeted by tearful relatives in a cordoned- off area of the Tokyo International Airport.

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#90312u0490 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL (NOV. 8) UPI - North Korea is pushing atomic energy development and could produce nuclear weapons in the late 1990s, the South Korean Defense Ministry said Thursday.

In its ''1990 Defense White Paper,'' the ministry said if war breaks out between South and North Korea, the casualties would reach 2.4 million in a week and increase by more than 5 million in a month.

The white paper said South Korea has an edge in terms of potential capability to carry out a protracted war, but North Korea is superior in terms of standing forces.

North Korea built a large atomic power research complex at Nyongbyon, north of the capital Pyongyang, in 1964 and introduced an atomic reactor from the Soviet Union in the following year, the white paper said.

''With the first reactor as the model, North Korea has built a second reactor and is expected to complete a third one by the end of this year, '' it said.

''North Korea has plants to produce and refine uranium. When nuclear fuel reprocessing facilities are in operation it should be able to extract plutonium in a year or two and it could have its own nuclear weapons after 1995.''

North Korea also produces and has in stock a large amount of chemical and biological weapons and is giving intensive training to its troops for chemical and biological warfare, the white paper charged.

North Korea has 990,000 men on active duty, including 86,500 in the Army, 45,000 in the Navy and 80,000 in the Air Force, the white paper said. In addition there are 6 million on reserve duty, it said.

South Korea has 655,000 on the active list, including 550,000 in the Army,

60,000 in the Navy and 45,000 in the Air Force, and 4.4 million reservists, the white paper noted.

In the area of military hardware, North Korea is far superior to South Korea with 3,600 tanks, 9,400 artillery pieces, 426 warships, 24 submarines, 240 support vessels, 840 warplanes, 480 support aircraft, and 280 helicopters, it said.

South Korea has 1,500 tanks, 4,200 artillery pieces, 150 warships, 40 support vessels, no submarines, 500 warplanes, 190 support aircraft, and 530 helicopters, it said.

In case of war 90 percent of the facilities in the North and the South will be destroyed, the paper said, which points up the need for arms control.

North Korea has not given up its goal to communize South Korea and as a result South Korea, while approaching the question of arms control, must continue to beef up its military capabilities to deter North Korean threats, the white paper said.

Despite the massive firepower in both Koreas, the separated Asian nations have recently instituted cultural exchange programs and their leaders have each paid historic visits to the other's capital.

Their rapprochement was triggered, in part, by the collapse of communism in Eastern Europe and many Korean hope to the reunification of Germany will serve as an example to reunite their nation, divided since the end of World War II.

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#90312u0496 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 8) UPI - Fears of imminent war in the oil-rich Persian Gulf hammered stock prices on major global markets Thursday as a fresh round of saber-rattling snuffed out buying enthusiam.

Worried investors unloaded stocks in Tokyo, Hong Kong, Singapore, Bangkok, Seoul, Manila, Taiwan, and New Zealand as cautious trading prevailed.

Analysts said markets were shaken by reports British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher had warned time was running out for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

Reports U.S. Secretary of State James Baker had sent an ultimatum to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein through a Chinese intermediary added to investors' worries, despite a denial from Baker, market watchers said.

Baker said Wednesday the use of force could not be ruled out and there can be no partial solution to the crisis caused by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

''Obviously we would all like to see a peaceful, diplomatic and political solution to this problem,'' Baker told reporters in Ankara, Turkey, en route from the Middle East to Moscow. ''At the same time ... we cannot rule out the possible use of force.''

Baker has been meeting for several days with U.S. allies, reportedly seeking their support for a possible military strike against Saddam.

Reports the U.S. may send thousands of troops and tanks from Europe to the Gulf drove the U.S. dollar higher in early trading on major foreign currency markets in nervous but quiet trading.

In Tokyo, stocks fell below the 23,000 barrier in thin trading on the Tokyo Stock Exchange as the fear of war gripped Japanese investors.

The Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which fell 465.50 points Wednesday, tumbled 530.44 points - or 2.3 percent - to 22,969.81. It was the Nikkei's third straight loss and the first time the key index finished below the 23,000 level since Oct. 12.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, which lost 29.30 points Wednesday, sank 30.41 points to 1,721.91.

Declines overpowered advances 823 to 138, while 106 issues remained unchanged.

Trading activity was again light, as only an estimated 360 million shares changed hands, up slightly from the 335 million shares traded Wednesday.

Meanwhile in Hong Kong, stocks prices fell sharply on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, but a late round of bargain hunting trimmed heavy early losses.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which lost 11.52 points Wednesday, fell another 22.75 points to 2,932.44.

Among the narrower indexes, financials shed 12.50, utilities dropped 7.89, industrials lost 29.61 and properties fell 46.04 points.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 779 million shares, compared with 774 million shares changing hands Wednesday.

In Singapore, stocks slid in light trading for the fifth consecutive session on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which lost 11.87 points Wednesday, fell another 12.92 points or 1.17 percent to 1,095.55. The broader-based All Singapore Index fell 3.56 points or 1.15 percent to 306.62.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 27.9 million shares, compared with 29.4 million shares Wednesday.

In Bangkok, stocks slid in thin trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange. The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which added 0.36 points Wednesday, slipped 1.06 points to 661.19.

In Manila, stocks closed lower on the Manila Stock Exchange. The Manila Composite Stock Index of 25 selected issues lost 12.02 points to 596.35.

In Taipei, stocks were lower on the Taiwan Stock Exchange. The Taiwan Weighted Index tumbled 135.87 points to 3,554.00.

In Seoul, stocks closed sharply lower on the Korean Stock Exchange. The Korean Composite Stock Index fell 13.72 points to 707.24.

In Wellington, stock prices closed lower in nervous trading on the New Zealand Stock Exchange. The Barclays Share-Price Index fell 15.73 points to 1,292.18.

Elsewhere, lower employment figures reinforced hopes of an early cut in interest rates in Australia, sending stock prices higher in light trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which gained 17.2 points Wednesday, added another 7.3 points to 1,342.3. The All Industrials Index rose 15.5 points to 2,010.7 and the All Resources Index added 1.6 points to 823.1.

Analysts said investors viewed the unemployment rate for October of 7.6 percent - up from 7.4 percent in September - as further evidence that the economy was slowing.

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#90312u0521 11/08/1990 ~United Press International
BERLIN (NOV. 8) UPI - When Berliners celebrate the first anniversary of the collapse of their hated Wall Friday there will be little evidence to remind them of the Cold War barrier that divided the city for 28 years.

Berlin's iron curtain is scattered in pieces all over the world - in galleries hotels and on the lawns of the rich.

When the wall came tumbling down Nov. 9, 1989, it was the first step to overcome the 40-year division of East and West Germany and led to German reunification Oct. 3.

Thousands of East Germans stormed the wall that mild November night. Laughing and weeping strangers embraced each other in the streets, champagne corks popped and the entire city turned into one big party.

''The most amazing experience of my life,'' Dirk Rumberg, 27, a publisher's assistant, recalled this week..

''We pushed our way through the crowds to the Invaliden Strasse border crossing,'' he said. ''When I reached the front, the last control gate was opened and a terrific cheer rose up from the crowd.''

''Before we crossed over the border I asked an East German border guard if we would be able to cross back over again,'' Rumberg said. ''He told me: ''I have opened the gate, why the hell should I close it now?''''

For millions of television viewers around the world, coverage of the Berlin street celebrations - with people literally dancing on the wall - was a powerful image heralding the final burial of the cold war.

Friday's celebrations will be far more subdued with most of the wall already sold off and scattered around the world.

A memorial will be unveiled at the Reichstag, the pre-World War II German parliament, to the 77 people shot dead while trying to cross the wall to the West and a bronze plaque commemorating the Nov. 9 opening of the wass will be inaugurated at one of the former border crossings.

The ceremony will also include a re-reading of the Communist Party's declaration on freedom of travel that set off the storming of the wall one year ago.

Over the past year, huge slabs of the wall - each looking like a giant uprooted tooth - have been auctioned off, donated to dignitaries and exhibited in galleries.

Former President Ronald Reagan received a piece in memory of his urging Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev in 1987 to ''take down the wall.''

Slabs of the wall - many sprayed with obscene graffiti - also decorate the villas and penthouses of the rich from New York to Tokyo, along the French Riviera and in the German hinterland.

Irvin Dyer, 24, an entrepreneur from Phoenix, bought $165,000 worth of wall and French Cognac queen Ljiljiana Hennessy spent about $30,000 on one slab.

The 90-mile steel and concrete wire wall, which was built on Aug. 13, 1961, has disappeared in downtown Berlin; only 2.5 miles of the wall still remain in the outskirts of the city.

When thousands of East Germans fled to the west in the summer and early fall of 1989 because of border openings in Hungary and then Czechoslovakia, the

Stalinist leadership under Erich Honecker was faced with its toughest and last crisis.

Pressured by the exodus from the country and mass pro-democracy demonstrations within the country, Honecker was forced to resign Oct. 18.

Two weeks of leadership shuffles, resignations and new rules plunged the country into turmoil, culminating in the fall of the wall.

To East Germans, the collapse of the wall meant freedom; to West Germans unity and to the world the end of the cold war.

''When a guard in front of me carrying an armfull of blue East German passports stumbled and spilled them all over the muddy, wet crossing,'' Rumberg said, ''I knew East Germany was finished as a country.''

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#90312u0524 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 8) UPI - Police say three men are missing after a U-S military helicopter flying from Italy to the Hellenikon air base in Greece crashed today 40 miles east of Athens, Greece. The three-man crew is believed dead, but search and rescue teams are combing the area. The helicopter earlier reported mechanical trouble and landed on the island of Corfu for repairs. It crashed after taking off again.

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Philippine President Corazon Aquino says the Philippines will send a medical team to Saudi Arabia as a gesture of support. In a statement, Aquino hailed Saudi Arabia's efforts- in her words- ''to seek a just and peaceful solution to the present crisis in the Middle East.'' Aquino said an advance team headed by the Phillipine health secretary will leave Sunday to make arrangements with Saudi authorities for the medical mission.

Senior officials from 12 countries started gathering in Indonesia today for a meeting aimed at working out a draft treaty to settle the 12-year-old Cambodian conflict without any of the warring factions present at the talks.

Indonesia's foreign minister said the draft based on a U-N blueprint could be presented to the four rival parties for endorsement in Paris at the end of this month, or early next month.

A group called the Fund for a Feminist Majority says a record number of women candidates ran for office in this week's election. According to Fund figures, more than two-thousand women ran for state legislative office, 80 sought statewide seats and close to 70 took a shot a races for the House and Senate. Women won some big races, but there were NO major gains in the elections.

Officials in Manila say flames engulfed a domestic ship carrying at least 148 people in the southern Philippines, leaving a two-year-old girl dead and two women missing. Officials say the fire broke out in the engine room of the ship last night 520 miles southeast of Manila. 145 people were rescued by a passing salvage ship.

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Birmingham cy	64	51	....
Bismarck pc	50	23	....
Boston pc	45	31	.03
Brownsville ts	82	56	.01
Buffalo pc	41	30	.06
Burlington Vt. w	36	22	.06
Charleston S.C. sy	68	51	....
Charlotte sy	60	39	....
Chicago pc	47	37	....
Cincinnati sy	50	37	....
Cleveland pc	46	32	.20
Columbus Ohi sy	47	34	....
Dallas r	50	42	.15
Denver pc	47	28	....
Des Moines mc	42	34	....
Detroit sy	46	32	.01
Duluth pc	41	28	....
El Paso sn	54	35	.68
Evansville pc	50	38	....
Fargo cy	45	25	....

Hartford pc	44	25	.07
Honolulu pc	88	72	.01
Houston ts	66	47	.03
Indianapolis pc	47	36	....
Jackson Mss. mc	68	53	....
Jacksonville sy	74	59	....
Kansas City cy	47	34	.01
Las Vegas sy	68	42	....
Little Rock r	51	44	....
Los Angeles f	78	53	....
Louisville pc	54	38	....
Memphis pc	59	44	....
Miami Beach sy	84	75	....
Milwaukee mc	42	38	....
Minneapolis mc	47	30	....
Nashville sy	58	40	....
New Orleans pc	72	58	....
New York sy	50	37	....
Oklahoma City r	46	36	.24
Omaha mc	43	25	....
Orlando pc	85	66	....
Philadelphia sy	50	32	....
Phoenix sy	74	49	....
Pittsburgh pc	43	27	.01
Portland Me. sn	42	22	....
Portland Ore. cy	55	45	.04
Providence pc	45	30	.13
Richmond sy	58	29	....
St. Louis cy	49	38	....
Salt Lake City cy	49	39	....
San Antonio ts	58	45	.76
San Diego f	74	52	....
San Francisco sy	72	50	....
San Juan pc	89	74	1.41
Seattle r	52	46	.10
Spokane mc	44	35	.03
Tampa pc	87	66	....
Washington pc	52	36	....
Wichita r	48	33	.06

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy

mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90312u0533 11/08/1990 ~United Press International
ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (NOV. 8) UPI - Pakistan warned the United States Thursday it would maintain its close ties with Washington only as long as ''these relations do not adversely affect our independence.''

''We will not compromise our sovereignty and independence for the sake of obtaining foreign assistance,'' President Ghulam Ishaq Khan told a joint session of the new Parliament. ''We value highly our national pride and self respect.''

The United States on Oct. 1 suspended aid to Pakistan because President Bush was unable to certify to Congress that Islamabad is not trying to manufacture nuclear weapons.

Pakistan is the third largest recipient of U.S. aid, after Israel and Egypt, and was expecting $548 million next year as part of a $4.02 billion aid package. It has denied persistent reports it is attempting to make nuclear weapons.

The United States backs Pakistan-based Afghan guerrillas fighting the pro-Soviet govUrnment in Kabul since 1979. But Pakistan's strategic value to Washington diminished sharply following last year's Soviet pullout from Afghanistan.

''The basis of our friendship with United States has been mutual interest, commonality of values and regional security,'' Ishaq Khan said in his one-hour speech in the Urdu language.

''In recent times bilateral relations have been affected because of some extraneous factors. But we continue to give importance to our relations with the United States on the condition that these relations do not adversely affect our independence,'' he said.

''We hope the United States will not make an error in evaluating its friendship with Pakistan.''

He said ''Pakistan is a Moslem country and therefore we will always feel

closer to the Moslem world.''

The session of Parliament was boycotted by former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and legislators from her Pakistan People's Party in an apparent protest against Ishaq Khan.

The president on Aug. 6 dismissed Bhutto's 20-month-old government, accusing it of corruption and nepotism, dissolved the National Assembly and called new elections. Bhutto condemned the president's action as a ''constitutional coup.''

The PPP suffered a crushing defeat to the Islamic Democratic Alliance, a disparate army-backed coalition of parties opposed to Bhutto, in the Oct. 24 elections. IDA leader Nawaz Sharif was sworn in as prime minister on Tuesday.

''I am the happiest man in the world today,'' Ishaq Khan said. He said he had urged voters ''to make the correct decision on election day, and the nation has heeded my advice.''

But he appealed to the government and opposition ''to adopt a bipartisan approach on policies which are in the interests of the nation, to end polarization and join hands in national reconstruction.''

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#90312u0539 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Nov. 7: Purchases of 330, 750 shares and sales of 586,059 shares including 102,443 shares sold short.

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#90312u0554 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 8) UPI - The Philippines and the United States made significant progress as talks resumed Thursday on the future of key U.S. facilities in the Southeast Asian nation, officials said.

A joint statement issued after all-day discussions at the opening of the second round of talks said ''the progress was so great'' the negotiators decided to work late into the night.

The statement said the discussions centered on security issues and the announcement by special U.S. negotiator Richard Armitage on Wednesday that the United States will pull out all its jet fighters from Clark Air Force Base before the expiration of American basing rights on Sept. 16, 1991.

The panels planned to continue tackling security matters on Friday and move

into other subjects before adjourning the two-day talks later in the afternoon. They hope to reach an agreement by January.

''We're talking about transition, were talking about access, were talking about presence,'' U.S. spokesman Stanley Schrager said. He said Thursday's discussions ''began to define these elements a little more precisely'' and that the process will continue Friday.

The Philippines hosts six U.S. facilities, including the sprawling Clark Air Base and Subic Bay Naval Station. Clark, home of the 13th Air Force, and Subic a repair and logistics center for the 7th Fleet, are the oldest and largest overseas U.S. facilities.

Washington provides Manila $481 million in aid for use of the installations, where some 40,000 troops, Defense Department employees and their dependents are stationed.

Armitage has indicated Washington wanted to phase out the facilities in 10 to 12 years and a limited military presence after that.

The Philippines served notice it would take over Clark and four smaller facilities at the expiration of the 1947 bases pact but is willing to consider a phase down of Subic.

Any extension of the treaty requires approval by the Philippine Senate, many of whose members regard the facilities as an infringement on national sovereignty.

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#90312u0558 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 8) UPI - Government troops captured a regional leader of the communist New People's Army as he readied to board a passenger jeep in the capital, a military official said Thursday.

Army Chief Maj. Gen. Guillermo Flores said Vicente Martinez, guerrilla commander in the Visayan region of the central Philippines, was captured by intelligence agents Wednesday in suburban Quezon City.

Flores said Martinez, who had a $18,000 reward for his capture, was alone and armed with a .357 Magnum revolver but did not resist arrest.

Martinez was also described as an ''alternate member'' of the central committee of the banned Communist Party of the Philippines, which has been fighting the government for 21 years.

The 40-year-old Martinez was the second ranking communist guerrilla leader to be captured in the capital in four days. On Sunday, troops arrested Reynaldo

Bernardo, the deputy chief of the communist hit squad operating in the capital.

Flores told a news confrence more than 1,000 regular guerrillas and officers of the 19,000-strong NPA have been forced to seek refuge in the capital because ''they are losing ground in the countryside.''

He said some of the rebel leaders were in Manila to direct the rebels' involvement in a violence-marred strike last month called by leftist workers to demand pay raises.

The military, meanwhile, reported an unidentified gunman Thursday shot and killed Rufino S. Carlos, 55, a legal officer of the government- owned Development Bank of the Philippines, in front of his house in Lucena City south of Manila.

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#90312u0563 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $385.90 silver base of $4.25 and platinum price of $420.50:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$401.80	400.10
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	206.10	205.30
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.80	105.40
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.70	43.50
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	401.80	400.10
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	206.10	205.30
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.30	105.90
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.70	43.50
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	408.30	406.60
China Panda .50 troy oz.	210.30	209.50
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.10	108.60
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.10	46.90
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.10	28.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	401.90	400.20
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	205.40	204.50
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.70	103.30
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.70	44.50
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	400.40	398.70
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	207.20	206.40
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.30	105.90
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.20	45.00
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	400.20	398.60
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	205.80	205.00

Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.30	87.90
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.70	45.50
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.30	24.20
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.66	$5.63
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,240	$3,220
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,375	$1,375
Platinum		
Australian Koala	436.00	439.00
Isle of Man Noble	432.00	436.00
Canada Maple Leaf	444.00	447.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90312u0566 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA (NOV. 8) UPI - President Corazon Aquino's government will drop a civil suit against Imelda Marcos in a California court if the former first lady turns over $200 million the government claims her husband looted and stashed in Hong Kong, officials said Thursday.

David Castro, chairman of a presidential panel formed to recover assets the government thinks the late Ferdinand Marcos stole during 20 years in power, told reporters the return of $200 million could be regarded as a significant amount that could lead to a settlement.

''We have written our lawyers that we consider the amount significant if it is within that range,'' Castro said. He said if the Marcos funds deposited in five Hong Kong banks were within $200 million range, ''then we have committed that we will work for the termination of the U.S. court case,'' Castro said.

But Castro stressed that if the Hong Kong assets were less than dlrs 200 million, there will be no deal.

Castro said earlier that Imelda Marcos offered to turn over to the Philippines 60 percent of the assets deposited in Hong Kong but that the full amount was unknown. He said he will ask the California court to lift a freeze order on the Hong Kong assets to determine their value.

The Aquino government filed the civil suit in a Los Angeles district court in

1986 for the recovery of $5 billion it said the former dictator, who died last year in Hawaii, acquired illegally.

On Monday, attorneys said the Philippines had settled its civil claims against Saudi Arabian businessman Adnan Khashoggi and another Marcos associate, Roberto Benedicto, both named in the Los Angeles lawsuit.

Kashoggi and Marcos were acquitted of fraud and racketeering charges in New York in July.

Khashoggi, as part of the settlement, gave the Philippines real estate in Beverly Hills valued at $5 million and other properties in New York that were the subject of the criminal case. He also turned over artworks valued at $6 million to $8 million.

Benedicto has agreed to surrender assets totalling $43.4 million to settle the lawsuit.

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#90312u0595 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (NOV. 8) UPI - NATO's European commander and the head of the alliance's Military Committee will visit the Soviet Union next week for meetings with Soviet leaders, officials said Thursday.

U.S. Army Gen. John R. Galvin, the supreme allied commander for Europe, and Norwegian Gen. Vigleik Eide, chairman of the Military Committee, will visit from Nov. 11 to Nov. 15.

The trip follows the visit last month to NATO headquarters by Soviet Gen. Mikhail Moiseyev, chief of the Soviet military staff.

The NATO generals will participate in a wreath-laying ceremony on Nov. 13 at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Moscow.

Galvin will also visit the Kiev Military Academy and the Soviet Black Sea Fleet at Sevastopol, while Eide is scheduled to meet with regional military authorities in Leningrad.

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#90312u0596 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

OVERLAND PARK, KS (NOV. 8) UPI - The University of Missouri basketball program was barred from the 1991 NCAA Tournament and dealt a series of recruiting restrictions Thursday in a two-year probation handed down by the NCAA.

The men's team may not provide any expense-paid recruiting visits during 1991

and only one member of the coaching staff will be allowed for off-campus recruiting. The school was limited to one basketball scholarship during the 1991-92 academic year and two during 1992-93.

The penalty came one day after the University of Illinois basketball team was banned from postseason play for one year and placed on three years' probation for recruiting violations that included providing cars for recruits.

Missouri Coach Norm Stewart and assistants Bob Sundvold and Rich Daly were mentioned in charges of unethical conduct or providing false or misleading information to investigators. Stewart is also charged with a lack of institutional control.

Stewart remains under his usual contract. Sundvold and Daly are working under open-ended contracts that are renewed on a monthly basis.

The NCAA Committee on Infractions found Missouri guilty of giving financial aid to player P.J. Mays even though he was ineligible under the university's admissions policy. The NCAA charged the Missouri basketball staff ignored a letter informing them the player was ineligible.

The NCAA also charged the basketball program had an unmonitored expense fund that was used in violation of university, state and NCAA rules, had set up a ''casino party'' for recurits and was guilty of bringing recruits to campus in the summer before they enrolled.

The case against Missouri was opened when the school reported a possible violation Asistant Coach Bob Sundvold paid for a plane ticket to send Mays home. Mays was to try to straighten out his high school transcript, which had left him a Proposition 48 victim and thus ineligible to play as a freshman.

Other charges include granting Mays scholarship money for which, as a Proposition 48 non-qualifier, he was not eligible.

The Missouri investigation is similar to Illinois' only in the timing and that basketball was involved. Illinois was handed its third probation in six years (the other two were related to football), but Missouri had never before appeared before the Infractions Committee.

On Wednesday, Illinois was docked three basketball scholarships in each of the next two academic years. The NCAA also adopted several penalties that were imposed by the university, including the freezing of salaries of two assistant coaches and the denial of bonuses to the coaching staff for the team's participation in last year's NCAA tournament.

The announcement came following a 17-month investigation by the NCAA.

#90312u0623 11/08/1990 ~United Press International
ATHENS, GREECE (NOV. 8) UPI - The World Food Program is sending emergency food supplies to Cyprus for refugees in the Middle East in case war breaks out the semi-official Athens News Agency reported Thursday.

In a report from Nicosia, ANA quoted Derk G. Dewit, a WFP director, as saying the first shipment of nearly 8,000 tons of emergency food supplies is to arrive Monday in Larnaca, a port in Cyprus.

He said the cargo ship St. John was heading for Larnaca from New Orleans with 5,600 tons of rice, 680 tons of flour and 1,200 cartons of cooking oil.

Another shipment of 6,400 tons of food, including flour, fish, beef and sugar, will head for Larnaca next month.

The WFP, a Rome-based United Nations agency that provides emergency food supplies to developing countries during crisis, has drawn up contingency plans in anticipation of a war in the Persian Gulf over Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

A multi-nation force of several hundred thousand troops, mostly Americans, is arrayed against Iraq in the gulf area.

Countries such as Egypt, Iran, Jordan and Turkey are expected to be flooded with refugees if war breaks out, he said.

Monday, Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency said Tehran was bracing for 1 to 3 million refugees in case of war.

The Tehran newspaper Kayhan International said Baghdad, Basra and Kuwait had a combined population of some 6 million people, many of them expected to flee into Iran, the safest place for them in case of war.

Dewit said Cyprus is the most appropriate place to store the food because it is near the crisis zone and has the best storage facilities.

In September, a U.N. official told reporters in New York that relief organizations had contingency plans and six-month supplies of food in the event of war.

Thousands of refugees from Kuwait and Iraq fled to Jordan, Turkey, Iran and Saudi Arabia at the start of the crisis and more are expected if war does break out.

Greek Prime Minister Constantine Mitsotakis said he ordered his officials Wednesday to draw up plans to ration gasoline in case fighting breaks out and disprupts oil shipments, but he said it would take three months to have the

plan in place.

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#90312u0624 11/08/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - A light earthquake registering 4.1 on the Richter scale shook central New Mexico early Thursday, the U.S. Geological Survey reported.

There were no reports of damage.

It was the third light quake in the area in less than a year. The quake was centered near Balen, about 40 miles south of Albuquerque and 30 miles north of Socorro in the Rio Grande rift, a geological feature in which tremors are common, the survey said.

Survey scientists said the rift and resulting quakes are caused by western New Mexico moving away from eastern New Mexico at a rate of several inches per century.

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#90312u0626 11/08/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 8) UPI - Kuwait's exiled defense minister says that Iraqi troops are in possession of 650 U-S-made Hawk ground-to-air missiles, left behind when Iraq invaded Kuwait three months ago. But he said he doubts that the Iraqi army would be able to use the Hawk missiles because he says Kuwaiti army technicians dismantled their launchers after Iraqi troops entered Kuwait. And a Gulf Arab government official says Iraq may be developing new and deadly biological weapons.

As 74 Japanese hostages arrived in Tokyo from Iraq today, Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu announced that he is abandoning a plan to send NON-combat troops to the Gulf. Japanese officials say Kaifu's decision was in NO way related to the release in Baghdad yesterday of 74 Japanese men who had been held against their will. Former Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone won the release of the Japanese hostages after meeting with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki arrived today in the border town of Frankfurt an der Oder for one-day talks on relations between the two countries. The two leaders immediately started talks expected to focus on Germany's recognition of its loss of territories to Poland in 1945, as well as the status of ethnic Germans in Poland.

Three crewmembers of a U-S military helicopter that crashed yesterday 40 miles east of Athens, Greece, are believed to be dead. A U-S Embassy statement said the helicopter was on a routine training flight and took off from the U-S Army Sixth Aviation Detachment in Italy. The chopper landed on a small island in

the Ionian sea for repairs, and crashed after taking off again.

Philippine officials say the government of President Corazon Aquino will drop a civil suit against Imelda Marcos if the former Philippine first lady turns over substantial funds allegedly looted and stashed away in Hong Kong. The Aquino government filed the civil suit in Los Angeles district court in 1986 for the recovery of five BILLION dollars that the former dictator allegedly acquired illegally.

The Philippines and the United States reportedly made significant progress at today's resumption of talks on the future of key U-S facilities in the Philippines. A joint statement issued after day-long discussions in Manila said ''the progress was so great,'' the panels decided to work late into the night. The negotiators plan to continue discussing security matters tomorrow and move into other subjects before adjourning the two-day talks later in the afternoon.

Two gunmen shot and killed a Roman Catholic man in front of his two- year-old son in his North Belfast home today. Officials say the man was the 65th victim of political violence in Northern Ireland this year. The man reportedly was watching television with his son when the gunmen entered his home through an UNlocked door and shot him at point blank range in the neck and chest.

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#90312u0630 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 79.00-81.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 120.00-123.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 40.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $210.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $102.00-$109.00 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $419.50-$459.00; dealer- approx., $425.60-$460.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $109.00-$111.83 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 296.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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#90312u0631 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - The Food and Drug Administration has approved the first drug to treat panic disorder, a mental illness expected to strike about 3 million Americans during their lives, it was announced Thursday.

The drug, alprazolam or Xanax Tablets, has been on the market for about 10 years for reducing general anxiety. However, until the action by the FDA, it could not be marketed for panic disorder.

Xanax is first and only drug in the United States specifically indicated for treatment of panic disorder, FDA spokeswoman Eva Kemper said. Doctors can prescribe government-approved drugs for any use they want, but insurers often refuse to pay for anything but FDA-sanctioned uses.

An estimated 3 million Americans - between 1 percent and 2 percent of the population - will suffer from panic disorder in their lifetimes, said The Upjohn Co., which makes Xanax. The disorder usually surfaces in early adulthood, and is often associated with intense fear of objects or situations, like being in a crowded room.

''When unrecognized or untreated, panic disorder can profoundly disrupt people's lives,'' Gerald Klerman, a psychiatric researcher of Cornell University Medical College in New York, said in a statement.

Panic disorder is characterized by repeated attacks of intense fear that causes chest pain, shortness of breath, dizziness, trembling, nausea and other signs of physical distress. People suffering an attack say they often feal like they are dying or losing their minds.

About 60 percent of people with panic disorder suffer problems in social and job functioning because they tend to avoid situations they think will trigger panic attacks. They also have a much higher risk of suicide than the general population.

In a study of more than 600 patients, 50 percent of Xanax-treated patients were free of panic attacks after four weeks, compared with 28 percent of patients receiving phony pills. The most common side effects associated with the the drug were fatigue and feeling sedated, Upjohn officials said.

The dose given the patients with panic disorder tends to be higher than patients with general anxiety, the company said.

Despite the apparent benefits of drug treatment, Dr. James Ballenger, chairman of the psychiatry department at Medical University of South Carolina, cautioned that most experts believe panic disorder is best treated with a combination of medication and psychological counseling.

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#90312u0637 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

JAKARTA, INDONESIA (NOV. 8) UPI - Without any of the warring factions present at the talks, senior officials from 12 nations met Thursday to begin writing a draft treaty that would settle the 12-year-old Cambodian conflict.

Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas said he is hopeful the draft based on a U.N. blueprint will be presented to the four rival parties for endorsement in Paris at the end of November or in early in December at the latest.

The meeting is the first in a series before the resumption of the International Conference on Cambodia, which broke down in Paris last year.

Indonesia and France are co-sponsoring the session starting Friday. Those scheduled to attend also include representatives of the U.N. secretary-general and the other four permanent members of the U.N. Security Council: the United States, Soviet Union, China and Britain.

Delegates from Australia, Canada, Japan, Laos, India, Japan and Malaysia are also participating.

Sources said the Phnom Penh government, backed by Vietnam, requested the four rival factions be invited to Jakarta to participate in the drafting of the plan, but it was unlikely the request would be granted.

During the last round of talks held in Jakarta during September, the three-party resistance coalition nominally headed by Prince Norodom Sihanouk and Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen agreed on the formation of a Supreme

National Council that would include six members of the resistance and six from Phnom Penh.

Sihanouk's coalition includes his own followers, those of former Prime Minister Son Sann and the Khmer Rouge, blamed for the deaths of 1 million Cambodians during their four-year rule before the Vietnamese invasion in 1978. The United States provides aid to the non-communist factions, while China arms the Khmer Rouge.

The SNC would oversee the running of the country before free elections and is an integral part of a U.N. peace plan the factions have endorsed.

However, the SNC members have been engaged in a bitter squabble over leadership, with the resistance demanding Sihanouk be elected chairman. The Phnom Penh government has insisted Sihanouk can be chairman only if Hun Sen is elected vice chairman.

The resistance has rejected Phnom Penh's stance, arguing it would give legitimacy to the government installed by Hanoi.

Officials said the Cambodians may meet again in Bangkok soon to try to resolve the dispute amid intensifying pressure from the international community. The SNC also is charged with holding Cambodia's seat in the United Nations.

The seat was previously held by the resistance, but the United States in July withdrew diplomatic recognition out of fear the militarily superior Khmer Rouge could return to power.

While members of the U.N. Security Council said they would welcome the election of Sihanouk, the former monarch, as the leader of the SNC, they stressed the chairmanship should be decided by the Cambodians.

China is solidly behind Sihanouk. Premier Ling Peng said recently the election of Sihanouk was the most urgent task facing the council ''in order to make the organization start its work.''

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#90312u0641 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, WEST GERMANY (NOV. 8) UPI - Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev is scheduled to arrive Friday on a two-day visit to Germany and his first talks with Chancellor Helmut Kohl since a July meeting in the Soviet Union which cleared the way for German unification.

The talks are expected to focus largely on economic issues, including Gorbachev's ambitious program of economic reform.

Economics Minister Helmut Haussmann said that Gorbachev did not ''express any

direct request for credits to the Bonn government'' in advance of the visit.

But he said that the the two leaders will discuss Soviet sales of natural gas and oil to Germany.

He said Germany did more than any other country to assist the Soviet Union because ''we are the country with the know-how which can help reforms over there.''

Government sources in Bonn said that Kohl will ask his guest to outline his concept of possible German economic cooperation within the Soviet reform program.

Kohl is also likely to ask Gorbachev details of a proposed Economic Commission made up of officials of the central Soviet government and of the various republics.

As in past meetings - the two leaders have met five times before - the German chancellor is expected to raise the question of the estimated 2.5 million ethnic Germans living in the Soviet Union.

Kohl has made it clear in the past that he would like to see an improvement of conditions for the ethnic Germans in the Soviet Union rather than a massive exodus to Germany.

During their meeting in Bonn Friday, the two leaders are due to sign a 20-year friendship treaty designed to create the basis for a new political and economic relationship between the two European powers.

The treaty was initialed by German Foreign Minister Hans Dietrich Genscher and his Soviet counterpart Eduard Shevardnadze, Sept. 13 in Moscow.

''Now we can say with justification that the postwar period is over,'' Genscher said at the time.

The two nations will also sign a treaty on economic and scientific cooperation in Bonn Friday.

The treaties, along with two others dealing with the withdrawal of Soviet troops from eastern Germany were negotiated in conjunction with talks over the reunification of East and West Germany.

Gorbachev had given Germany the green light for unification when he last met with Kohl in the Soviet Union, July 15-16.

At the meeting in the Caucasian town of Schelesnowodsk, Gorbachev dropped his objections to a united Germany becoming a member of NATO, which formed the last hurdle to the merger.

After a day of talks in Bonn, Gorbachev will travel with his wife Raisa for what is being termed ''a private visit'' to Kohl's central German home of Oggersheim and the nearby city of Speyer, where he is scheduled to visit an almost 1,000-year-old cathedral.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

DALLAS (104)

McCray 4-7 0-0 9, Tarpley 10-16 6-6 26, Donaldson 3-7 1-2 7, Harper 6-13 5-6 18, Blackman 1-7 0-0 2, Lever 2-6 1-2 5, English 7-14 4-4 18, H. Williams 8-14 3-4 19, Davis 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 41-85 20-24 104.

PHILADELPHIA (101)

Barkley 9-15 5-7 23, Mahorn 3-10 1-2 7, Gminski 3-7 1-2 7, Dawkins 10-14 0-0 21, Hawkins 8-18 7-8 25, Anderson 4-9 4-4 12, Bol 1-4 0-0 2, Green 1-4 0-0 2, J. Williams 1-1 0-1 2, Oliver 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 40-83 18-24 101.

Dallas	27	25	19	33-104
Philadelphia	30	19	18	34-101

Three-point goals-McCray, Harper, Hawkins 2, Dawkins. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Dallas 21, Philadelphia 21. Rebounds-Dallas 50 (Tarpley 11), Philadelphia 47 (Gminski 9). Assists-Dallas 24 (Harper 9), Philadelphia 19 (Dawkins 8). Technicals-Bol, Dallas illegal defense. A-10,525.

CHARLOTTE (89)

Gilliam 6-17 3-3 15, Johnny Newman 1-5 1-2 3, Reid 4-7 1-2 9, Chapman 7-13 2-2 17, Bogues 4-5 0-0 8, Gattison 2-5 3-6 7, Tripucka 2-7 3-3 7, Curry 3-8 0-0 7, Hoppen 1-2 0-0 2, Gill 2-4 0-0 4, Keys 4-6 2-4 10. Totals 36-79 15-22 89.

CLEVELAND (100)

Nance 10-16 1-1 21, Brown 2-4 0-0 4, Daugherty 6-9 9-14 21, Paddio 5-17 2-2 12, Price 6-10 4-4 17, Ehlo 5-10 1-4 12, Williams 4-9 1-2 9, Kerr 0-3 0-0 0, Ferry 1-2 2-2 4, Morton 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-80 20-29 100.

Charlotte	34	11	15	29- 89
Cleveland	27	19	30	24--100

Three-point goals-Charlotte 2-8 (Newman 0-1, Chapman 1-2, Tripucka 0-1, Curry 1-3, Keys 0-1); Cleveland 2-5 (Paddio 0-1, Price 1-2, Ehlo 1-2). Fouled

out-None. Total fouls-Charlotte 22, Cleveland 17. Rebounds-Charlotte 38 (Gilliam 8), Cleveland 38 (Williams 11). Assists-Charlotte 22 (Bogues 8), Cleveland 25 (Price 9). Technicals-None. A-16,154.

CHICAGO (96)

Grant 6-12 5-7 17, Pippen 6-15 2-6 14, Cartwright 6-12 0-0 12, Jordan 7-14 3-5 17, Paxon 2-5 0-0 4, Armstrong 4-7 6-6 14, Perdue 1-2 0-0 2, Levingston 4-5 0-2 8, King 3-5 2-3 8, Hopson 0-1 0-0 0, Williams 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 39- 78 18-29 96.

MINNESOTA (91)

Murphy 5-6 0-0 11, Corbin 7-14 0-0 14, Breuer 2-5 0-0 4, Campbell 12-25 2-2 26 Richardson 9-14 0-0 18, Mitchell 3-11 2-2 8, Spencer 4-5 2-2 10, Brooks 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 42-81 6-6 91.

Chicago	28	27	15	26--96
Minnesota	14	26	29	22--91

Three-point goals-Murphy. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Chicago 13, Minnesota 25. Rebounds-Chicago 55 (Grant 10), Minnesota 34 (Spencer 9). Assists-Chicago 25 (Jordan 6), Minnesota 17 (Richardson 10). Technicals-Minnesota, illegal defense. A- 19,006.

DENVER (153)

Woolridge 11-19 15-15 37, Davis 15-23 2-2 32, Rasmussen 4-15 2-2 10, Johnson 4-7 0-0 8, Lichti 12-18 4-6 29, Dunn 3-3 0-0 7, Gaines 5-9 0-0 12, Lane 2-5 0-0 4, Wolf 3-4 0-0 6, Liberty 3-6 0-0 6, Cook 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 63-110 23-25 153.

SAN ANTONIO (161)

Greenwood 4-5 0-2 8, Cummings 14-21 3-5 31, Robinson 16-21 11-12 43, Pressey 4-5 6-6 14, Elliott 12-17 5-5 29, Dinkins 1-6 0-0 2, Williams 9-14 4-5 22, Green 3-6 2-2 8, Higgins 1-5 2-2 4, Massenburg 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 64-101 33-39 161.

Denver	48	42	26	37--153
San Antonio	36	47	42	36--161

Three Point Goals-Lichti, Dunn, Gaines 2. Fouled Out-none. Total Fouls-Denver 31, San Antonio 20. Rebounds-Denver 37 (Rasmussen 11), San Antonio 61 (Robinson 9). Assists-Denver 40 (Johnson 10), San Antonio 38 (Elliott 12). Technnicals-Denver illegal defense. A-15,908.

GOLDEN STATE (119)

Mullin 13-17 3-4 30, Tolbert 3-7 4-6 10, Lister 1-4 1-4 3, Hardaway 11-22 4-6 27, Richmond 14-22 2-2 30, Hill 1-4 2-4 4, Higgins 1-2 0-0 2, Pritchard 0-1 1-2 1, Marciulionis 1-3 2-4 4, S. Johnson 4-7 0-0 8. Totals 49-89 19-32 119.

PHOENIX (126)

Chambers 5-17 5-5 15, Rambis 4-4 0-0 8, West 4-4 5-7 13, K. Johnson 7-17 8-8 22, Majerle 2-6 7-8 11, Battle 5-7 0-0 10, E. Johnson 16-25 3-6 35, Perry 2-2 3-4 7, Ceballos 2-6 1-2 5. Totals 47-88 32-40 126.

Golden State	40	23	32	24- 119
Phoenix	31	26	35	34- 126

Three-point goals-Mullin, Hardaway. Fouled out-Chambers. Total fouls-Golden State 28, Phoenix 25. Rebounds-Golden State 37 (Mullin 8), Phoenix 46 (Battle 8). Assists-Golden State 29 (Hardaway 12), Phoenix 33 (K. Johnson 14). Technical fouls-Golden State, delay of game. A-14,487.

DETROIT (110)

Aguirre 6-12 0-2 12, Laimbeer 4-8 1-2 9, Edwards 3-11 8-8 14, Dumars 9-17 7-8 25, Thomas 5-11 2-3 13, Salley 1-3 2-2 4, Rodman 3-3 1-2 7, Johnson 5-9 4-6 14, Bedford 2-5 4-4 8, Hastings 1-2 0-0 2, Rollins 0-2 0-0 0, Blanks 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 40-85 29-37 110.

LA CLIPPERS (83)

Norman 4-12 3-4 11, Manning 3-9 2-2 8, Benjamin 4-16 4-4 18, Grant 5-13 1-2 11, Kimble 4-13 3-4 11, Garland 2-7 0-0 4, Bannister 1-2 2-2 4, Vaught 2-7 2-4 6, Garrick 1-3 4-6 6, Martin 2-3 0-0 4, Butler 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 31-85 21-28 83.

Detroit	32	28	23	27-110
LA Clippers	23	21	23	16- 83

Three-point goal-Thomas. Fouled out-Kimble. Total fouls-Detroit 25, LA Clippers 32. Rebounds-Detroit 51 (Edwards, Rodman 11), LA Clippers 41 (Vaught 9). Assists-Detroit 22 (Thomas 10), LA Clippers 20 (Grant 10). Technicals-Laimbeer, Johnson, Kimble. A-14,652.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled a seasonally adjusted 443,000 for the week ending Oct. 27, a decrease of 11,000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Bio-Rad Laboratories (3rd Q 9-30)	
$69,510,000	$55,084,000
$1,589,000 (.20)	$1,380,000 (.18)
Boole & Babbage Inc (4th Q 9-30)	
$25,273,000	$19,014,000
$1,511,000 (.39)	$1,350,000 (.35)
Cisco Systems (1st Q 10-28)	
$32,761,000	$14,082,000
$7,924,000 (.51)	$2,519,000 (.20)
Columbia Real Estate (3rd Q 9-30)	
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$1,210,552 (.23)	$1,328,175 (.24)
Dynascan Corp (3rd Q 9-30)	
$49,052,000	$68,350,000
d-$1,214,000	$2,354,000 (.35)
d-Deficit	
Fairfax Financial (3rd Q 9-30)	
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$42,544,000 (.35)	$32,642,000 (.51)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Insteel Industries (4th Q 9-30)	
$61,437,000	$49,086,000
$210,000 (.04)	$2,001,000 (.42)
Merisel Inc (3rd Q 9-30)	
$305,956,000	$151,616,000
d-$1,264,000	$2,170,000 (.17)
d-Deficit.	
Miltope Group Inc (3rd Q 9-30)	
$27,553,000	$26,151,000
$459,000 (.08)	$298,000 (.05)
New Hampshire Savings (3rd Q 9-30)	
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d-$13,234,000	d-$22,763,000

d-Deficit.

Parkland Industries (1st Q 9-30)
$44,700,000 $36,500,000
$629,000 (.11) $526,000 (.41)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Patrick Industries (3rd Q 9-30)
$38,719,000 $38,267,000
$60,000 (.04) $123,000 (.08)

Pinnacle Bancorp (1st Q 9-30)
....
$277,000 (.40) $282,000 (.41)

Telemedia Inc (Year 8-31)
$223,000,000 $215,800,000
ad-$3,600,000 $2,300,000 (.21)
ad-Deficit, includes a rationalization provision of $2.8 million after tax.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Turner Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$816,701,000 $917,956,000
$2,034,000 (.36) $1,705,000 (.34)

USF&G Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,150,000,000 $1,142,000,000
d-$15,000,000 d-$17,000,000
d-Deficit.

Vons Cos (3rd Q 10-7)
$1,638,500,000 $1,598,400,000
$21,400,000 (.55) d-$5,900,000
d-Deficit.

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#90312u0671 11/08/1990 ~United Press International
DETROIT (NOV. 8) UPI - Nissan Motor Corp. U.S.A. announced Thursday the recall of approximately 33,000 1987- through 1990-model Nissan Vans to replace power steering hoses that could leak and cause an engine compartment fire. The automaker said it is aware of only one minor injury resulting from the problem.

Nissan will make all repairs free of charge at authorized dealers after owners are notified by mail. Nissan discontinued sales of its Van model with the 1990-model year. The Nissan Axxess van is not affected by the recall.

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BANGKOK, THAILAND (NOV. 8) UPI - Thai Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan, leaving for a visit to Japan and China Thursday, announced he will reshuffle his coalition government on his return, dropping a minister locked in a dispute with the politically powerful military.

''I would like to inform you that when I return to Thailand I will reshuffle my Cabinet very quickly,'' Chatichai told reporters at Bangkok airport.

He said the reshuffled Cabinet will not include Chalerm Yubamrung, the minister in charge of government television stations who has been involved in an acrimonious dispute with senior military commanders.

''This reduces the tension,'' said Gen. Sunthorn Kongsompong, Supreme Commander of the Thai military.

''We are satisfied with the prime minister's announcement at one level and we will be satisfied at an even higher level when it actually takes place,'' Sunthorn said.

Sunthorn and Chalerm have clashed repeatedly over the military's seizure of a sophisticated mobile radio truck used by the state television station under Chalerm's control.

Sunthorn charged that the radio truck has been used to monitor and jam secret military communications and Chalerm has dared the military to charge him in court.

Top military commanders held talks with Chatichai on Wednesday, apparently urging the prime minister to drop Chalerm.

Chalerm, leader of the smallest party in the seven-party coalition, has been involved in a series of disputes with labor unions and other cabinet members.

The military, which has ruled Thailand for most of the 58 years since the end of the absolute monarchy, still retains a powerful voice in the current elected government.

Chatichai, accompanied by Foreign Minister Subin Pinkayan, is scheduled to meet Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu on Nov. 11, the day before he attends the coronation of Emperor Akihito.

On the 14th he leaves for a working visit to China where he will meet Prime Minister Li Peng.

In both Japan and China the key topics of discussion will be bilateral economic relations and the conflict in Cambodia, officials said.

Thailand has been a key player in efforts to settle the 12-year-old conflict. Peace talks, however, have become bogged down in disputes over the leadership of an interim Supreme National Council meant to represent the country while a U.N. peace plan is being implemented.

Japan has promised to provide financing for the peace plan and for reconstruction of the war torn country. China is the main supplier of military equipment to the Cambodian resistance.

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BOGOTA, COLOMBIA (NOV. 8) UPI - The kidnappings of two more prominent people appear to be the work of the Medellin cocaine cartel that already was holding seven journalists hostage, police said Thursday.

Kidnappers snatched the head of the national movie promotion agency and her assistant Wednesday night from a Bogota street, killing a chauffeur.

The victims were Maruja Pachon de Villamizar, head of the Cinemagraphic Promotion Co. and a former television journalist, along with her assistant, Beatriz Villamizar de Guerrero.

Pachon de Villamizar was the sister-in-law of Sen. Luis Carlos Galan, whose assassination last year while campaigning for the presidency touched off a war between the government and the Medellin cocaine cartel. She also is the wife of Deputy Alberto Villamizar, brother of the other kidnap victim.

The kidnappings appeared to be the work of the Medellin cocaine cartel, said a police official who asked not to be named.

But Rafael Pardo, the adviser to President Cesar Gaviria on security matters, said it was not yet clear who was holding the two.

''We are analyzing each detail in order to have a global report on the situation and try to identify the group responsible for the two kidnappings,'' he told reporters.

The Medellin cartel has admitted responsibility for the previous kidnappings, including the daughter of a former president and the son of the publisher of the nation's largest newspaper.

The cartel is using the kidnappings to try to pressure the government into a political agreement and an amnesty. Gaviria has refused to negotiate with the cartel.

It also has said it wants a constitutional reform assembly that will begin

meeting next year to include a constitutional prohibition against extradition of suspected criminals to other nations.

The cartel, through its hit squad The Extraditables, is holding Diana Turbay de Uribe, daughter of former President Cesar Turbay and owner of a television news program and a magazine. She has been missing since Aug. 30 with five other journalists, including German Hero Buss.

Francisco Santos, news editor of El Tiempo newspaper and son of publisher Hernando Santos, was kidnapped in Bogota Sept. 19 and his bodyguard killed.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Capital Holding	Q	.27	12-14	11-30
Conseco Inc	Q	.06	1-2	12-20
Intl Aluminum Corp	Q	.25	1-10	12-20
Kansas City P&L	Q	.67	12-20	11-29
Mickelberry Corp	Q	.01 1/2	12-21	12-7
Motorola Inc	Q	.19	1-15	12-14
Outboard Marine	Q	.20	12-28	12-14
PennEngineer&Mfg	Q	.20	12-17	12-3
Pinnacle Bncrp	Q	.12 1/2	11-30	11-19
Selective Insur	Q	.26	12-1	11-15
Walshire Assurance	Q	.05	12-12	11-28

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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JERUSALEM (NOV. 8) UPI - An Israeli soldier and a guerrilla were killed during a clash Thursday between an Israeli patrol and five gunmen who attempted to infiltrate Israeli-held territory from Jordan, an army spokesman said.

In Jerusalem, police arrested seven followers of assassinated right-wing Rabbi Meir Kahane, including a senior member of his anti-Arab Kach party, on suspicion of incitement following riots during Kahane's funeral Wednesday.

In an outbreak of attacks on soldiers Thursday, a Druse guard at West Bank prison was stabbed to death, and soldier at the Gaza Strip checkpoint knifed but not injured, authorities said.

A group of would-be infiltrators and an Israeli patrol clashed at 6 a.m. near the Jordan border about 6 miles north of the West Bank city of Jericho, the army spokesman said. Four gunmen were captured and two wounded.

Israeli Reserve Capt. Yehuda Lipshitz and one gunman were killed. Two of the four gunman captured were wounded.

Army Radio reported that four of the group were Jordanian policemen wearing civilian clothing and the fifth was a member of a terrorist organization. They were armed with pistols and knives.

Senior army officials said the group planned an attack on Jerusalem. The attempted infiltation was sixth major incident on the Jordanian border this year and marked largest number of guerrillas captured since December 1987. This year, one Jordanian soldier and an unidentified man were killed attempting to cross the border.

Defense Minister Moshe Arens visited the scene of the clash and said Jordan had to do more to safeguard the border.

''The Jordanians have told us they are doing their best to prevent infiltrations, but in this case it has proved not enough,'' he told Army Radio. ''The Jordanians are not in 100 percent control of the situation. ... In spite of King Hussein's internal problems we expect Jordanian authorities to improve the situation.''

Army Radio reported that the gunmen were carrying copies of the Koran and had ''God is great'' written on their equipment.

''What concerns us is that religious extremist elements appear to have gained a foothold within the Jordanian security services,'' Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Dan Shomron said.

At the West Bank prison of Jenin, an assailant stabbed to death Druse guard Kamel Farres, 32, through a fence and escaped, prison authorities said. In Jerusalem, two Arabs tried to snatch a soldier's gun. One Arab was knocked down and the other apprehended by a reserve soldier as he tried to flee, Israel Radio reported.

Police maintained a heavy presence in Jerusalem and northern Israel to prevent further attacks on Arabs following the riots that erupted Wednesday during the funeral of Kahane, who was assassinated Monday in New York.

At the Jewish Idea seminary founded by Kahane, a detective unit arrested seven Kach activists Thursday on suspicion of incitement. Thirteen people were arrested Wednesday during the violence.

Among those arrested Thursday was Yekutial Ben Ya'acov, a Kach party leader,

who told mourners at the funeral, ''Now we will let our friend the knife talk and our friend the machine gun talk.''

Four Arabs and two police were wounded Thursday night as followers of Kahane rampaged through Jerusalem during a massive funeral procession. Before the procession, Kach movement had called for reprisals against Arabs and Israeli leftists.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir condemned the violence and called for restraint.

''Every act of violence or expression of hatred causes additional injury to the people of Israel,'' Shamir said during a memorial for Israel's first president Chaim Weizmann. ''The scenes we saw yesterday help our enemies to attack our sovereignty over Jerusalem.''

Dozens of mourners broke away from the funeral procession to search for Arab victims in shops and on buses. One Arab was stabbed and remained hospitalized in fair condition. The rioters also stoned journalists and attempted to force their way into the Israel Television building.

Security forces also were present at areas where Arab workers gather to go work in Israel.

Arab Knesset member Abdel Wahab Darousha reported that he had received a threatening telephone call. On Wednesday night shots were fired near the house of Ibrahim Nimr Hussein, mayor of the Arab town of Shfaram. No one was injured.

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TOKYO (NOV. 8) UPI - Bridgestone Corp. said Thursday it will introduce a new line of vehicle tires next fall for sales in the United States through the Sears, Roebuck and Co. retail distribution network.

The Tokyo-based tiremaker said the new tires will be produced at Bridgestone's plant in La Vergne, Tenn., and sold nationwide through more than 800 auto centers run by the giant Chicago-based U.S. retailer.

The new tire line is part of Sears' continuing program of offering ''an outstanding selection of brand-name and private-label tires,'' Forrest R. Haselton, vice president of Sears automotive operations, said in a statement distributed in Tokyo.

''We plan to work very closely with the Sears people to develop a long-term, successful partnership,'' said Jerry Nunn, Bridgestone Tire vice president.

The new tires to be marketed will be the Bridgestone RoadHandler, a 75-80 series all-season tire, and the Bridgestone RoadHandler GT, an all-season T-

and H-speed rated performance tire in a 60-65-70 series, the company said.

Bridgestone Tire, based in Nashville, Tenn., currently markets a complete line of vehicle tires through 6,000 retail outlets and distributors in the United States.

Bridgestone Corp., the world's leading manufacturer of rubber products acquired Firestone Tire and Rubber Co., of Akron, Ohio, for about $2.6 billion in 1988.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS:

College

NCAA - Banned Missouri basketball team from 1991 NCAA Tournament and placed team on two years' probation.

Hockey

Montreal - Traded goaltender Brian Hayward to Minnesota for minor-league defenseman Jayson More.

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#90312u0773 11/08/1990 ~United Press International
FRANKFURT AN DER ODER, GERMANY (NOV. 8) UPI - Thousands of people gave Chancellor Helmut Kohl a rousing welcome Thursday in the Polish city of Slubice, shortly after the German leader met with the Polish premier a few miles away in eastern Germany.

Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki won a minor concession during the talks when Kohl agreed that a key border treaty should be signed in November, earlier than Bonn had hoped.

But he seemed to make little progress in obtaining guarantees of German compensation to Polish victims of Nazi crimes.

After their talks in Frankfurt an der Oder, the two leaders crossed the river Oder - the border between Poland and Germany - for coffee, cake, champagne and brandy in Slubice.

Thousands of people chanting ''Helmut, Helmut'' and ''Deutschland, Deutschland'' thronged the streets of the Polish city to greet the officials.

The scene contrasted with the unenthusiastic reception the leaders were given

earlier in Frankfurt an der Oder.

''Of course we are not afraid of the Germans,'' said a 72-year-old toothless Polish World War II veteran in the crowd.

Before leaving Warsaw, Mazowiecki said he would like to accelerate negotiations on compensation for Poland's victims of Hitler's World War II rule of terror.

Compensation is being sought for 30,000 survivors of concentration camps and for 600,000 people used as slave laborers after the Sept. 1, 1939, German invasion of Poland that set off World War II.

Kohl indicated he and Mazowiecki discussed reparations but would need to continue the talks in January.

The two indicated that a key border treaty and another document regulating bilateral relations will be signed soon.

''We hope to have the border treaty signed in November by our foreign ministers,'' said Mazowiecki.

German territories to the east of the Oder and Neisse were ceded to Poland in 1945 after Germany lost World War II, but Germany never formally recognized the border or the loss of the territories.

Kohl, under pressure from arch conservative members of his Christian Democratic Union, had resisted demands that West Germany recognize the border.

But Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States made it clear before approving Oct. 3 German unification that they wanted Germany to sign a border treaty with Poland.

The German government had indicated it only wanted to sign a border agreement after the Dec. 2 national elections but the Warsaw authorities insisted that the treaty should be signed before the Polish elections, due Nov. 25.

Mazowiecki said the friendship treaty will be signed in January.

Speaking at a joint news conference after talks with Mazowiecki, Kohl said the question of ethnic Germans living in Poland had also come up during the talks.

''I am certain that we will come to satisfactory solutions,'' he said.

Kohl said he expected visa requirements for Poles traveling to Germany will be lifted before Christmas.

''The significance of Polish-German relations is based on peaceful

developments in Europe,'' Mazowiecki said.

Answering a question, Kohl said he would not object to Poland or other eastern European countries joining the European Community and would ''give particular support to Polish interests within the EC.''

Kohl was to return to Bonn Thursday night for talks with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev Friday and Saturday.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - A government-controlled Iraqi newspaper says President Saddam Hussein has sacked his army chief of staff, though NO reason is given for the change. If true, the replacement of the army chief would put at three the number of senior Iraqi officials dismissed since the invasion of Kuwait on August 2nd. The report says the new army chief is Hussein Rashid, a hero of the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq War.

Japan has given up the idea of sending NON-combat troops to the Persian Gulf. Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu made the announcement official earlier today in Tokyo. But Japanese officials are quick to say the decision is NOT tied to the release of 74 Japanese human shields held by Iraq. They arrived back in Tokyo as the announcement was being made.

Lima, Peru, was rocked overnight by a series of explosions. They apparently were set off in retaliation for a vote by the Peruvian Congress NOT to prosecute ex-President Alan Garcia for the alleged murder of left-wing guerrillas. A 17-year-old student was seriously wounded when one bomb went off in front of the U-S- Peruvian Cultural Institute.

The man led a nation-wide organization to overturn incumbent politicians says the group's work did NOT end on election day. Jack Gargan says Throw the Hypocritical Rascals Out will thank supporters via a full-page newspaper ad... then will look toward the 1992 presidential and congressional races. National media attention led to Gargan raising more than 500-thousand dollars from contributions to fund the anti-incumbent campaign.

Closing arguments are expected today in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, in the extraordinary rape trial of a 27-year-old woman who has 46 personalities. In her first day of testimony yesterday, the woman revealed three of the personalities who told about a sexual encounter one of them had with a man in a car. But the personality involved in the sex act said she didn't know what sex was.

Hollywood, where reality turns into dreams, has managed to convert the Tuesday night fire at Universal Studio's backlot into a tourist attraction of its own. People can now see the charred ruins of what once were stage sets that made

movie viewers think they were looking at the streets of Chicago or New York. A newly hired security guard who relatives say is a mentally disabled Vietnam veteran is held on one- Million-dollar bond, accused in the fire.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - U.S. consumer credit increased $3 billion in September at an annual growth rate of 4.9 percent as consumers rang up more charges on their credit cards, the Federal Reserve said Thursday.

''Revolving credit growth, although less than in August, remained strong,'' the Fed said. ''Auto loans outstanding were about unchanged in September. All other borrowings increased at about half the August pace and mobile home loans declined.''

In August, consumer credit also rose a revised $3 billion at an annual growth rate of 5 percent, and in July consumer borrowing was up about $4.73 billion at a growth rate of 7.8 percent, the Fed said.

The September rate of borrowing, despite the slowdown in the American economy, was higher than expected by private economists. The consensus among analysts was an increase of $2.5 billion for the month.

September auto loans climbed $163 million after falling $1.5 billion in August. Revolving loans stood at $1.9 billion in September vs. $2.4 billion in August. Mobile home loans, meanwhile, were down $219 million after advancing $180 million.

All other types of loans increased more than $1.1 billion in September after gaining $2 billion in August, the report said.

The Fed also said that during September auto finance companies charged an interest rate of 12.34 percent for new car loans and 16.03 percent for used car loans.

Data on interest rates charged by banks were not available.

In August, rates charged by finance companies stood at 12.62 percent for new cars and 15.98 percent for used cars, the Fed said.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 8) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (NOV. 8) UPI - Trevor Berbick, a former World Boxing Council heavyweight champion, is free on bail and faces charges he tried to kidnap a businesswoman in a dispute with his estranged wife.

Police said Berbick was arrested Tuesday for taking Novelette ''Fay'' Hanse hostage at gunpoint at her office at People's Financial in suburban Miramar. He demanded that she tell him where his wife, Nadine Berbick, had been staying since she left him.

Lt. Chuck Febro said Berbick was then coaxed from the office complex by police and booked into Broward County Jail. He was freed on $7,500 bond Wednesday.

Hanse said he grabbed her and pointed a gun at her neck. A business associate called Hanse during the incident, and when he determined something was wrong, he called police.

Berbick was charged with aggravated assault with a firearm, false imprisonment and possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony. Also charged was Frederick Smith, an alleged accomplice, who was sitting in a car parked outside the office.

Hanse said she met Berbick and his wife several years ago and manages his financial affairs. She said she did not know where Berbick's wife had been living.

Berbick, who is still active as a boxer, lost his WBC title on a second-round knockout to Mike Tyson in 1986. He also ended Muhammad Ali's career with a 10-round decision over Ali in the Bahamas in 1981, and lost a 15-round decision to champion Larry Holmes earlier that year. Berbick finally won the WBC title with a decision over Pinklon Thomas in 1986.

A native of Jamaica, Berbick lived in Canada when he turned pro and won the Canadian and Commonwealth titles.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 8) UPI - Lesotho's tribal chiefs have named

Prince Mohato Seeisa, eldest son of deposed King Moshoeshoe II, to become the kingdom's new head of state, the South African Broadcasting Corp. reported Thursday.

The tiny former British-ruled kingdom is surrounded entirely by South Africa.

State-run radio, quoting sources close to a college of chiefs in Lesotho's capital of Maseru, said Seeisa's appointment by the 22 principal chiefs must still be approved by the ruling military council of Maj. Gen. Justin Lekhanya.

But the appointment of the 27-year-old Seeisa, a lawyer, is regarded as a formality.

On Tuesday, Lekhanya announced the promulgation of a law to dethrone the exiled Moshoeshoe, forced abroad in March after refusing to back the military leader in a power struggle.

Lekhanya, who seized power in a bloodless coup in 1986, said he had ousted the king because he had ''violated his oath of office'' and broken laws of Lesotho.

The military council forced Moshoeshoe, king since 1960, into exile into Britain on March 9.

The king had refused to endorse Lekhanya's Feb. 19 arrest of three key members of the military council closely linked to the royal family for allegedly trying to undermine the armed forces' authority.

Moshoeshoe has since repeatedly demanded that lekhanya allow him back into the country unconditonally, angering the military council.

Moshoeshoe's exile was his second since 1970. He lived in the Netherlands for nine months during a dispute with then prime minister Leabua Jonathan, who ruled the country from independence in 1966 until being ousted by Lekhanya 20 years later.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 8) UPI - At least one woman has lost an eye, and several others may be in danger of blindness, from using tainted eyedrops produced by a pharamacy from a drug used to treat arthritis.

The Pittsburgh Press, in a copyright story Thursday, said one woman who used the drug contaminated by the bacteria, pseudomonas, had her eye removed last week at Allegheny General Hospital. Two other patients may have to have eyes removed, and two more have lost sight in an eye.

The patients, mostly women between 55 and 78, all have had cataract surgery

during the past month.

They used Indocin, produced in pill form by Merck, Sharp & Dohme and approved by the Food and Drug Administration for oral use in the treatment of moderate to severe arthritis and osteoarthritis.

The Press said the tainted eye drops came from Hieber's Drug Store. A store manager, Joseph Kilkeary, said somewhere between 20 and 200 people received the medicine, but all have been told to discontinue use.

Kilkeary said the pharmacy has made the drops for years ''without any problems whatsoever'' and is not sure how the drug was contaminated.

''We are not really manufacturing medication, we're just filling prescriptions that the doctors prescribed,'' Kilkeary said. He said the eye drop production was being thoroughly examined.

Many eye specialists prescribe Indocin for topical application, such as in eye drops, and pharmacies produce the drops by mixing powdered Indocin with other solutions.

Gary Bruell, a spokesman for the drug's manufacturer, said, ''The product is not indicated as a topical drug, as an ophthalmic product.''

''The FDA is very clear on how a product should be used,'' he said. ''We certainly wouldn't comment on what a pharmacist or physician may be doing outside of what is indicated in the labeling.''

John Lech, director of the Center for Drug Information at Mercy Hospital, said ''Legally, pharmacists can dispense and a physician can prescribe a commercial product for a use and in a dosage other than what is contained in the FDA's product labeling.''

Eye surgeons at Allegheny General Hospital's ophthalmology department identified the bacteria as pseudomonas, a bacteria often found in wounds, burns and infections of the urinary tract, after growing cultures taken from a small, brown bottle of Indocin eye drops.

''Normally, we don't find any bacteria in medication, but with that specimen we found over 100 colonies,'' said Matthew Rigg, a technician in the bacteriology lab. ''We couldn't believe how strong it was.''

''This is clearly a terrible situation involving a very unrelenting bacteria '' said Dr. Robert Lewen, a retina specialist. ''With an infection of this type, there are limits to what physicians can do to save an eye.''

The pharmacy has recalled the eye drops and county and state Health Department officials were investigating, officials said.

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#90312u0826 11/08/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - A poll taken for the nation's Roman Catholic bishops shows abortions are performed more often and for less grave reasons than most Americans realize, the U.S. Catholic Conference said Thursday.

Almost half of those surveyed believe there are fewer than 500,000 abortions each year, according to the poll. They also estimated that more than 20 percent of abortions were performed in response to rape or incest and 15.6 percent were done because the life of the mother was endangered.

Only 12 percent said they believed there were between 1 million and 2 million abortions each year.

Research by the Alan Guttmacher Institute shows that about 1.6 million abortions are performed each year - a figure that grew rapidly in 1970s and then leveled off in the 1980s. At the same time, the rate of abortion - the number of abortions per 1,000 births - has slowly been decreasing.

Other research shows that about 1 percent of women cite rape or incest as a reason for abortion and 7 percent cite ''health problems.''

Women reporting a Roman Catholic religious affiliation have the highest abortion rate - 27 per 1,000, about the national average - among religiously affiliated women while Jewish women have the lowest, 16 per 1,000. Protestant women have an abortion rate of about 20 per 1,000 births.

The poll was released as the nation's Roman Catholic bishops prepare to come to Washington for the annual meeting of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and its action arm, the U.S. Catholic Conference.

The poll, conducted by the Wirthlin Group, a Republican polling firm, is one of the first public projects of the bishops' new public education campaign against abortion to be conducted by the Hill & Knowlton public relations firm and the Wirthlin Group under a contract reported to be worth some $5 million.

It also comes on the heels of another poll, conducted by the independent Catholics for a Free Choice, that showed Catholics were unhappy with the bishops using the political arena to advance their moral opinions, including their longstanding opposition to abortion.

''While abortion is a major issue for many Americans, most do not realize how deeply institutionalized abortion has become in our culture, '' said Helen Alvare, pro-life information director for the U.S. Catholic Conference.

''As Americans learn how readily abortion is used as a response to economic,

emotional or personal concerns, we believe they will look more willingly to other alternatives and to basic legal protection for the unborn,'' she said.

Other findings of the poll found just 7 percent of those surveyed at the extreme ends of the spectrum, either saying it should be prohibited in all circumstances or should be legal at any time during pregnancy.

Another 34 percent said abortion should be legal for any reason during the first six months of pregancy and 35 percent said it should be legal in cases of rape, incest or to save the life of the mother.

Other poll findings:

-51 percent said they ''strongly agree'' with requiring parental consent for an abortion for minors and 16 percent ''somewhat agree.'' A total of 30 percent said they either strongly or somewhat disagreed.

-67 percent said they strongly agreed that women should be required to receive information about fetal development and alternatives to abortion before having the procedure.

-32 percent said they found ''extremely convincing'' the proposition that ''every unborn child has a basic right to life'' and 31 percent found ''extremely convincing'' the notion that ''all human life, including that of the unborn, should be protected.''

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#90312u0832 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said Thursday the countries allied against Iraq should wait ''two or three more months'' to see if economic sanctions will force Iraq out of Kuwait but said war could be inevitable, The New York Times.

In an interview with the newspaper in Cairo, Mubarak warned President Saddam Hussein that if he did not pull his troops out of Kuwait, war is inevitable with ''the greatest concentration of military forces I have ever seen in this area.''

''There will be no other way out,'' he said. ''I am not bluffing. I don't think the United States is bluffing. How can Saddam Hussein make such a miscalculation of his situation? It is very dangerous for him, very dangerous. I wonder how he cannot realize that.''

In the interview with The Times a day after Mubarak met alone with Secretary of State James Baker, he said the U.N. Security Council should approve a resolution authorizing the use of military force to end Iraq's occupation of Kuwait, if diplomacy failed.

''The problem of Saddam Hussein is that he is one man against the world and even against him self simple because he does not realize the real danger around him,'' Mubarak said. ''And his entourage is not briefing him adequately.''

The Egyptian president said he had tried repeatedly to find a ''face- saving'' way out for Hussein. ''I was trying to help him,'' he said.

He said he would welcome Hussein in Egypt as part of an effort to find a face-saving solution but he said he would not go to Baghdad on such a mission.

He also emphasized that he was not in favor of a call last week by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev for an Arab summit meeting.

''Why an Arab summit?'' he asked. ''What would we do there? We won't give a blessing to his occupation. That is what he wants. I'll never give it to him. It's a matter of principle.

''We have done everything we can do,'' Mubarak said. ''The answer from the Iraqi government has been insults and dirty words against me. Either he doesn't realize the tremendous forces being arrayed against him, or his aides are misleading him or not telling him.''

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OMAHA (NOV. 8) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 25; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 1,600; butchers opened 1.00 lower, No 1- 3 230-250 lb opened 52.00; sows 20 percent, not established.

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#90312u0864 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

VIENNA (NOV. 8) UPI - Albanian President Ramiz Alia, in a major speech to a communist party plenum, called for changes in the Marxist state's constitution that would guarantee freedom of religion and redefine the party's role as the dominant force in society.

He also said the establishment of normal diplomatic relations await only an announcement from Washinton.

Signaling a further shift away from the country's orthodox communist past, Alia said the ruling Party of Labor of Albania ''should not and cannot exert state power directly'' but should respect rule of law, according to remarks

published Thursday by the official news agency ATA.

''The law stands above all. No instruction, decision, order or authority exists above the law,'' Alia was quoted as saying.

The speech, delivered during a two-day PLA Central Committee plenum that ended Wednesday, outlined a series of proposed reforms expected to be submitted to Albania's rubber-stamp parliament in the coming weeks.

The proposals include changes to the 1976 constitution that if approved would guarantee freedom of religion and provide a legal basis for market-oriented economic reforms adopted by communist decree earlier in the year.

Alia also said the section of constitution that gives the ruling party special powers as the ''only leading political force of the state'' should be ''defined more precisely.'' He did not elaborate.

Foreign observers say Albania's communists, facing mounting political and economic unrest, hope to follow the example of their Bulgarian counterparts by voluntarily surrendering some of their power and granting limited reforms in hopes of avoiding a potentially bloody uprising.

Albania, Europe's last bastion of orthdox communism, embarked on a course of cautious political and economic reform in the spring and has also taken major strides toward ending 45 years of diplomatic isolation. In May, the government eased restrictions on travel and religion and lifted a ban on foreign investment.

In his speech, Alia said talks on establishing normal diplomatic ties with the United States have been successfully concluded, and that Tirana awaits only a formal announcement from Washington. Albania and the Soviet Union resumed normal relations in the spring for the first time in 30 years.

Alia also revealed elections would likely be held in February under new regulations proposed by the communist leadership in October. The new guidelines would allow Albanians to vote in secret for the first time and to choose between multiple candidates - although only communist- approved candidates can appear on the ballots.

The communist leader said the party should encourage greater independence and freedom of expression among social and civic organizations that historically have been rigidly controlled extensions of the communist party.

''To this end we should transform the existing social organizations into complete pluralist subjects, reconstructing their links and relations with the party and state,'' he said.

''... Any practice and mentality aiming at establishing a tutelage on them,

treating them simply as instruments of the party, has a restraining effect. Therefore we should combat resolutetly to uproot them,'' Alia said.

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#90312u0869 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - The Treasury Department auctioned $12 billion in 161-day cash management bills at its quarterly refunding Thursday at an average discount rate of 7.08 percent.

The average investment rate was 7.41 percent and the average price was $96.834 the department said.

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LONDON (NOV. 8) UPI - Prince Charles released a video Thursday in which he stars with comedian John Cleese in a 25-minute tale about how businesses need to respect the environment.

''He knew instinctly how to play comedy,'' a spokesman from Video Arts, which produced the video, said of the performance of the future king of England.

''Grime Goes Green: Your Business and the Environment,'' tells the story of the prince paying an unexpected visit on James Grime, the boss of a company played by Cleese.

Grime does not believe his operations have any effect on the environment, and Charles secretly checks on the company hours before he is scheduled to arrive on a visit.

The prince, who only recently recovered from a broken arm sustained during a polo match, hides behind a newspaper and catches Grime trying to clean up his factory and sacking two environmental advisers.

Surprising Grime in his enviornmental unfriendly antics, the prince advises that ''businesses of all sizes have a critical role to play in achieving a more sustainable economic development.''

''Having thought and a care for the environment must become an integrated part of good business practice, and each of us must do all we can to address one of the greatest challenges facing us today,'' the prince says.

Video Arts said the 25-minute production was the idea of the prince, known for his environmental views, and will be on sale for $672. It was launched through the Business in the Community, a charitable organization, which is presided over by Charles.

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#90312u0884 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - The Reagan administration's motto was always to let the free marketplace of ideas take care of problems. Now the Bush administration is going down the same path concerning health care reform.

Health Secretary Louis Sullivan told health care providers Thursday a ''dynamic economy will find some solutions on its own'' to the nagging problem of soaring health care costs.

Sullivan criticized national health insurance as a possible solution, but he has said he is not ready to offer alternatives until several studies on the matter have been completed. He acknowledged that could take more than a year, even just around re-election time in 1992.

In a speech to the National Committee for Quality Health Care, Sullivan said the public has become ''desensitized'' to the fact that health care spending has risen 30 percent faster than the gross national product since 1970. He also accused the public of expecting the health care system to automatically ''compensate for our bad health habits.''

In addition to cleaning up one's own act, Sullivan said the ''free enterprise system'' could be the cure for uncontrollable health care costs.

''One of the things the president and I want to accomplish in reforming health care financing and access is to take advantage of the natural compassion within the free enterprise system. In this way, more Americans - and this will include the self-employed - will be able to get the kind of health care they want and need,'' the secretary said.

''A dynamic economy will find some solutions on its own. We do not want to rush in with unproven government remedies that may create more problems than they solve,'' he said.

The National Committee for Quality Health Care - which represents hospitals, health maintenance organizations, corporations and other health care providers - released a report, concluding the general public, not health care providers, must make sacrifice and make choices to get a handle on spiraling costs.

''The resolution of this impending health care crisis does not rest in the hands of the health care industry experts, but in the hands of all Americans. We have the finest health care system in the world, and it is everyone's duty to do their part to improve and preserve it.''

Sullivan seconded the group's opinion, saying he opposes a move to ''scrap the system and make a radical change to nationalized medicine. My position is that we need to build on our achievements by getting an even higher percentage of

people covered by insurance.''

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#90312u0896 11/08/1990 ~United Press International
TORONTO (NOV. 8) UPI - An 11-month-old girl tossed from a speeding van and run over by a second vehicle was in serious condition Thursday and a 30-year-old man was charged with aggravated assault in the incident.

Shantel Freeman's condition was upgraded to serious from critical Thursday morning.

Doctors say the Tuesday night incident crushed the back of her skull and left bone fragments pressing into the tissues of her brain, which is hemorrhaging.

Her condition was upgraded to serious from critical Thursday. Her first birthday is Nov. 15.

Charged with aggravated assault is Michael Bovay, 30, of Oshawa, a passenger in a vehicle driven by Freeman's mother, Mari Ann, 23. Bovay had offered the Freemans a ride home from a dinner party and Freeman was driving his car when the baby was thrown out.

A truck passed over the girl without hitting her but she was struck by a car driven by Gilles Robichaud.

Robichaud, a father of three, said he is living a nightmare.

''We feel like our guts have been torn out,'' Robichaud said. ''We have three kids of our own - one a little baby. I can't imagine.''

Freeman, a single mother who has a 5-year-old son living with his father, is maintaining a bedside vigil at the hospital.

Bovay was denied bail at a court appearance Wednesday and will appear in court again Friday.

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#90312u0903 11/08/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 8) UPI - Egypt reportedly has told Saddam Hussein that nations allied against Iraq are ''NOT bluffing'' and if the Iraqi leader doesn't pull his forces out of Kuwait, war is inevitable. The New York Times quotes Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak as saying there's ''NO other way out.''

Western diplomats in the Persian Gulf area say it appears as if Saddam Hussein is getting some opposition within his own government over the occupation of Kuwait. And they say he's managing the crisis by firing those who oppose him.

The latest to go is the Iraqi Army's chief of staff.

Japan says there is NO link between its decision NOT to send NON- combat troops to the Persian Gulf and the arrival in Tokyo of 74 Japanese citizens held as hostages by Iraq. Japan's Parliament rebuffed the proposal by Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu Toh-SHEE'-kee KIGH'-foo to join other nations in the Persian Gulf.

Officials in Manila say the Philippines and the United States made significant progress as the talks resumed today on the future of U-S military installations in the island nation. A joint statement says that so much progress was made, the negotiators decided to work into the night.

Philippine officials also say the government will drop a civil suit against Imelda Marcos if the former first lady turns over 200-Million dollars the government claims her husband stole during 20 years in power. But officials say it the money stashed in Hong Kong is less than 200-Million, there will be NO deal.

Pakistan is warning the United States that it will maintain its close ties with Washington only as long as- quoting now- ''these relations do NOT adversely affect our independence.'' President Ghulam Ishaq Khan told his parliament that his government will NOT compromise Pakistani sovereignty to obtain foreign assistance.

The South Korean Defense Ministry says North Korea is pushing nuclear arms development. The ministry says in its ''1990 Defense White Paper'' that North Korea could produce nuclear weapons this decade. And it predicts that if war breaks out between the two Koreas, the casualties would reach two-point-four-Million in a week.

Former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi today declined an invitation to form a new government in India and threw his support behind dissident leader Chandra Shekhar. Gandhi turned down the job within hours of the resignation of Prime Minister V-P Singh, who failed in a confidence vote in the Indian Parliament yesterday.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 8) UPI - Ron Gant, the Atlanta Braves outfielder who hit. 303 with 32 home runs, Thursday was named National League Comeback Player of the Year by United Press International.

Gant rebounded superbly from a 1989 season in which he hit .177 with nine home runs and 25 RBI and was forced to make a difficult adjustment from third base to the outfield.

This year, he knocked in 84 runs and raised his stolen base total from nine to 33, making him the 13th player in major-league history to join the 30-30 (homers-steals) club.

He becomes the second straight Atlanta player to win the comeback award, following outfielder Lonnie Smith.

Gant was expected to be used as a reserve this past season, but after a slow start gradually became the Braves' biggest threat. He is the first Atlanta player since Dale Murphy in 1983 to hit 30 homers and steal 30 bases in a season.

Gant was hitting only .247 with only two homers and six RBI through mid-May, but he hit .311 and had 30 home runs in his last 127 games. He had three games in which he hit two home runs and had six RBI in one of those.

In the National League this season, Gant wound up third in total bases (310) and extra base hits (69), fourth in slugging percentage (.593) and runs (107), and tied for fourth in multi-hit games (55). He also tied for sixth in home runs and tied for eighth in doubles (43).

Gant joined the Braves organization in 1983 as a fourth-round draft choice. He appeared in 21 games with Atlanta in 1987, his first taste of major league baseball.

In 1988 he batted .259 with 19 homers, 60 RBI and 19 stolen bases. In 1989 he began the season as the Braves third baseman, but was sent to the minors after getting off to a bad start.

He spent two weeks at Sumter of the South Atlantic League, where he batted .385 after being converted to an outfielder. He was promoted to Richmond of the International League before being promoted to Atlanta.

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#90312u0917 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (NOV. 8) UPI - Sporadic fighting between government troops and guerrillas in the Salvadoran countryside left a rebel chief and a civilian dead and several others wounded, the army said Thursday.

A military spokesman said one of the leaders of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front was killed in combat with the army in the town of Cacaguatique, Morazan province, 80 miles east of the capital.

He said the rebel was identified as Luis Sarabia, known as ''Papanacho,'' the leader of a local guerrilla band.

Three rebels were also wounded Wednesday in fighting in the town of Vueltas,

Chalatenango province, 33 miles north of San Salvador.

The armed forces said civilian Elmer Lopez Lopez, 22, was killed instantly when he set off a mine planted by rebels in the town of Concepcion Quezaltepeque, 30 miles from the capital. Two others were wounded.

Another civilian was wounded in a seperate mine explosion in a neighboring town.

Rebels in San Salvador bombed electrical and telephone lines Wednesday night, wounding two civilians, the armed forces said.

The decade-long civil war between the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front and successive U.S.-backed governments has cost more than 72,000 lives.

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#90312u0921 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (NOV. 8) UPI - The Croatian Assembly approved legislation Thursday giving the republic's president control of its military reserve force in defiance of the Yugoslav Army and the federal government.

The development came hours after Croatian President Franjo Tudjman forced the resignation of a vice premier and replaced all but one of 12 junior ministers in the largest shakeup of his government since it took power seven months ago.

The assembly passed without debate the law transferring control of the Croatian Territorial Defense Units from the regular military to Tudjman.

By adopting the statute, Croatia joined the Slovenian Republic in challenging the military command chain set in the federal constitution, under which the eight-man Yugoslav collective presidency is the commander in chief of the armed forces.

There was no immediate reaction to the Croatian move from the federal presidency or the Yugoslav military.

The Slovenian legislature on Sept. 28 approved a constitutional amendment giving the republic's government peacetime command of all military units on its territory. Slovenian President Milan Kucan named a reserve major to assume daily control of the Slovenian Territorial Defense Units from a regular army general.

In response, the Yugoslav Army sent troops to take control of the headquarters of the reserve force, prompting the Slovenian government to shift the staff to another building.

The standoff is continuing, with no sign of a settlement.

The nationalist governments elected in Slovenia and Croatia in May, in the first multi-party assembly polls held since the 1945 communist takeover, have been seeking more autonomy, advocating transforming Yugoslavia from a loose federation of six republics into a confederation of independent states linked by a common market.

Croatia and Slovenia fear domination by communist-ruled Serbia, the largest republic, which wants to maintain a federal model.

The three houses of the Croatian Assembly, meeting in the morning in a joint session in the capital of Zagreb, 250 miles west of Belgrade, approved replacements for those ousted by Tudjman in the government shakeup, which follows two minor reshuffles earlier this year.

The most significant aspect of the overhaul was the ouster of Mate Babic, a vice premier who oversaw economic policy.

The government publicly announced that Babic had asked to resign, but officials said he was forced to quit by Tudjman in a dispute over the pace of economic reforms, particularly privatization of state-controlled enterprises.

''The major issue is how to solve the status of ownership. Babic insisted on strong-fisted state control and advocated slow reprivatization of companies and factories,'' said one official, who spoke by telephone from Zagreb on condition of anonymity.

Tudjman, a former communist Yugoslav Army general, favors faster reform, although he wants certain categories of enterprise, including power, oil and gas companies, railways, the postal and communications services, to remain under state control.

Last week, his government declared a moratorium on privatization while it identifies those enterprises that should be sold to private owners.

Many experts saw the move as deliberately aimed at undermining the Western-style economic and political reform program of federal Prime Minister Ante Markovic, who is regarded as a threat to the governments of Yugoslavia's six republics.

Babic was replaced by Franjo Gregoric, a trade company executive and political newcomer.

In a related move, Zdravko Mrsic, was elevated from the republic's foreign minister to the post of director of the Agency for Development and Restructuring, a key department involved in implementing ongoing economic reforms.

Mrsic, a former Hong Kong-based sales executive for International Business Machines Inc., will remain a member of Tudjman's cabinet. He was replaced as foreign minister by Vinko F. Golem, a surgeon and former health secretary of Zagreb.

Tudjman also replaced 11 of 12 deputy ministers with people considered more liberal in economic and political policies.

The overhaul was seen as aimed at reducing the influence of conservatives, whose rhetoric and philosophy have strengthened the party's extremist Croatian nationalist image.

The party's nationalist reputation has been emphasized by the communist govenment of the rival Serbian Republic in order to win Serbian nationalist votes in Dec. 9 multi-party parliamentary elections.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - Exports of chemicals, aircraft, scientific equipment and other manufactured goods will provide a source of strength during an economic downturn, a trade group said Thursday.

''U.S. manufactureed exports have experienced a quiet but substantial resurgence in the latter half of the 1980s,'' according to an analysis by the National Association of Manufacturers.

Western Europe, Canada, Japan and other countries in East Asia will provide the primary markets for American exports through 1995, but not Eastern Europe, even though it is emerging from decades of decline, the group said.

''Despite all the talk of lost competitiveness, U.S. exports of manufactured goods were $287 billion in 1989 - more than 70 percent higher than in 1985 and the much-ballyhooed export peak of 1981,'' the group said.

The surge has also been hidden somewhat by the nation's high level of imports, which have kept the merchandise trade deficit bouncing between about $5 billion and about $10 billion a month.

''Since 1986, U.S. exports, primarily manufactured goods, have been one of the keys to maintaining U.S. domestic growth,'' the group said. ''Manufactured exports probably kept the U.S. economy out of recession in early 1990 and will be a key to maintaining or increasing U.S. economic growth in the future.''

Jerry Jasinowski, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, predicted demand for American goods will remain strong even if war erupts in the Middle East.

''The trends are there,'' he said. ''The fundamentals are all in place.''

A number of states are benefiting from this growth in exports, including Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Washington state, Jasinowski and other members of the group said.

Between 1985 and 1989, the United States experienced a trade surplus of nearly $73 billion through the sale of chemicals, aircraft and scientific instruments alone, the analysis said.

There is also substantial strength in the export of computers and general machinery and parts, such as pumps, valves and forklifts.

''What is true for the U.S. economy as a whole could also be true for individual companies,'' the group said. ''The ability to grow and increase profits may be determined by the ability to increse overseas earnings, or to provide products and services to those companies that are overseas.

''A growing company will increasingly be a company that is international in outlook.''

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#90312u0939 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA (NOV. 8) UPI - The government completed Thursday a definitive agreement covering the sale of the state-owned telephone company to two European consortiums.

The Argentine business community has been looking to the sale as a test case, of the government's seriousness about privatizing the many money-losing state companies - such as railroads, steel and public works - that control vast sectors of Argentina's economy.

The sale also represents a major step by Argentina in reducing its foreign debt of $67 billion, since the investors have pledged to pay $5 billion debt paper, as well as $600 million in cash, in exchange for the phone company.

One of the consortiums is led by Telefonica of Spain and the other by Stet of Italy and France Cables and Radio.

President Carlos Menem said that he was ''totally satisfied'' with the contract, which he was scheduled to sign Thursday night.

''We have carried out what we planned to do,'' he said.

Menem said that while his administration has privatized other, smaller state companies, including television stations, the sale of the telephone company will have much greater significance.

''All our expectations were based on this telephone privatization, and because of this I have said that, for many, the reform of the state has now just begun '' he said.

The divestiture, in which the buyers are to get a controlling stake, is expected to be a model for the sale of other state companies in exchange for foreign debt paper.

Frederico Basaldo, a spokesman for the Stet-France Cables and Radio group, told United Press International that negotiators for the government and the two European consortiums were putting the final touches on the contract covering the transaction Thursday.

The negotiations were almost disrupted by a disagreement over telephone rates in late October, but the government and the consortiums reached a compromise under which the new owners will be able to raise rates over and above the inflation rate if there is a large devaluation of Argentina's currency.

The Franco-Italian consortium is to take over the northern half of Argentina's phone company, while the Spanish group will run the southern half.

The two consortiums will hold 60 percent of the equity in the phone company. The remainder of the stock is to be held by employees, individual investors and small, independent phone companies.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - Female fancies may drive the evolution of sexually attractive traits in males, a study of fish showed Thursday.

Scientists have long known that in some animals, mating hinges on a female's choice of which male she likes best. Many researchers have theorized that females' preference and the traits males use to attract a mate evolve together.

But new research in fish and frogs have lent support to a relatively new theory - that female preference sometimes exists prior to the appearance of sexually attractive male traits.

In a study published in the journal Science, Alexandra Basolo of the University of California-Santa Barbara examined female preference for swordtails among Xiphophorus, a genus of small, freshwater fish in Central America.

The genus include the platyfish, which are primarily swordless, and swordtails whose males generally have a yellow, sword-like tail that develops at sexual maturity and whose females prefer males with the longest tails. The ancestor

of both fish did not have a swordtail.

In her experiment, Basolo surgically attached yellow plastic swords that mimic a male swordfish's tail to six male platyfish and transparent plastic swords to six other male platyfish of similar size.

After three days of recovery from the surgery, the males were exposed to platyfish females. In all tests, females preferred to mate with males with yellow swordtails over those with the nearly invisible transparent swords.

Next, the researcher reversed the type of sword affixed to the male platyfish, and found the females' sexual preference switched along with the yellow tails.

''These data suggest that the females were basing their choice on (yellow) sword presence and not other traits,'' Basolo said in her study published in the journal Science.

Michael Ryan, a zoologist at the University of Texas at Austin, where Basolo conducted her research, said such findings may surprise many scientists, but they complement his recent work with tropical frogs.

In one type of frog, reseachers found females preferred male frogs who croaked in lower sound frequencies and the females also had ears designed to better pick up those frequencies. In related frogs, males do not croak in lower sound frequencies, but females still have ear structures designed to pick up those sounds - showing the females' bias likely existed long before males developed their seductive deep croaks.

Although scientists have only looked at frogs and fish, Ryan said he thinks further studies will show female choice may play an influential role in shaping male traits in other animals.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Adolph Coors Co (3rd Q 10-7)	
$607,089,000	$583,257,000
$23,538,000 (.63)	$20,991,000 (.57)
Alco Standard (4th Q 9-30)	
$1,135,892,000	$1,017,019,000
$28,827,000 (.70)	$31,642,000 (.76)

American Travellers Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$20,841,000 $11,768,000
$3,078,000 (.33) $1,699,000 (.23)

Diagnostek Inc (2nd Q 9-30)
$55,000,000 $34,300,000
$2,200,000 (.11) $1,500,000 (.08)

IDB Communications Group (3rd Q 9-30)
$22,446,000 $13,748,000
$44,000 (.01) $651,000 (.13)

ILC Technology Inc (4th Q 9-30)
$8,071,000 $5,475,000
$1,051,000 (.46) d-$871,000
d-Deficit.

Overseas Shipholding Grp (3rd Q 9-30)
$98,662,000 $73,215,000
$10,777,000 (.31) $14,122,000 (.40)

Patten Corp (2nd Q 9-30)
$26,559,000 $38,460,000
d-$2,653,000 $1,238,000 (.07)
d-Deficit.

Placer Dome (3rd Q 9-30)
$274,500,000 $226,800,000
$83,900,000 (.36) $21,000,000 (.08)

Presidio Oil Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$31,991,000 $16,041,000
$2,071,000 (.07) d-$4,695,000
d-Deficit.

Telephone & Data Systems (3rd Q 9-30)
$74,975,000 $61,577,000
$6,749,000 (.21) $2,998,000 (.10)

Thermo Electron (3rd Q 9-29)
$181,484,000 $142,293,000
$9,510,000 (.46) $7,038,000 (.36)

Tootsie Roll Industries (3rd Q 9-30)
$74,274,000 $65,093,000
$10,017,000 (1.04) $9,115,000 (.95)

Universal Foods Corp (4th Q 9-30)

$196,938,000	$228,171,000
$13,944,000 (.55)	$11,794,000 (.47)

Vishay Intertechnology (3rd Q 9-30)

$106,023,000	$98,894,000
a-$4,543,000 (.33)	$4,770,000 (.38)

a-Includes a pretax charge of $1,819,000 consisting of a settlement with the U.S. Government related to the Dale Electronics.

Wal-Mart Stores Inc (3rd Q 10-31)

$7,930,951,000	$6,283,497,000
$282,807,000 (.25)	$232,702,000 (.20)

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - The General Accounting Office recommended Thursday that the two remaining battleships, including the USS Wisconsin now in the Persian Gulf, be retired if Operation Desert Shield does not justify their worth.

The recommendation came at a hearing of an obscure House subcommittee called to rehash the explosion that ripped through the battleship Iowa last year, killing 47 sailors, including a constituent of the subcommittee's chairwoman. The sailor was subsequently blamed for the blast but later tests indicated the huge explosion in the 16-inch gun was an accident.

Congress this year ordered the Navy to retire the Iowa - heavily damaged in the april 19, 1989, explosion - and the New Jersey. The Missouri and Wisconsin the last of the four World War II-vintage ships refitted and returned to duty during the 1980s - are still operating. The Wisconsin is in the Persian Gulf and recently test fired its huge guns.

The battleships, with foot-thick armor plating and guns that can hurl a 2,700-pound shell some 23 miles, are expensive to operate and are very manpower intensive. They require a crew of about 1,500 in contrast to newer warships which, equipped with missiles that allow them to stand back farther off the coast, can run with about 300 crewmen.

The senior official at the GAO responsible for national security matters, Frank Conahan, testified to the Banking Committee's Economic Conversion Subcommittee that the Navy should retire the remaining battleships.

He noted thier cost of operation, crew requirements and the fact that the Navy is now shrinking. They were recommissioned when the Navy was attempting to build up to 600 ships.

''As the world security environment changes, because ships other than

battleships have an excellent strike warfare capability, and because of limits on the battlesips' ability to support a large scale amphibious assault; the Navy's need to maintain the battleships is questionable,'' he said.

''The planned decommissioning of two battleships, including the Iowa, also raises questions about the usefulness and supportability of the other two ships in the active fleet,'' Conahan said.

''The battleships are costly to maintain and difficult to man and, until the ships' unique contributions in the Middle East can be evaluated, mission-related questions concerning their contributions remain.''

''For these reasons, we are recommending that the secretary of defense direct the secretary of the navy to re-evaluate the battleships' utility in the light of known constraints and limitations and, unless current Middle East operations convincingly demonstrate their unique utility, direct that the secretary of the navy decommission the Missouri and the Wisconsin,'' Conahan concluded.

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CAIRO (NOV. 8) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein fired his army chief of staff and replaced him with a hero from the Iran-Iraq war, bringing to three the number of senior Iraqi officials dismissed since Iraq invaded Kuwait three months ago, an official Iraqi daily reported Thursday.

Saddam also said Thursday he would release more than 240 Poles detained in Iraq, most of them engineers and construction workers. Baghdad has set hundreds of foreign hostages free in the past few days in what some diplomats say is an effort to fracture the multinational alliance against him in the Persian Gulf.

The mood in the region has turned to thoughts and preparations for war following a whirlwind visit by Secretary of State James Baker, who told Arab leaders the United States was not ruling out a military strike to force Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubrarak said in an interview Thursday that war was inevitable if Saddam did not withdraw his troops from the emirate and that he and the United States were ''not bluffing.''

An Arab official, meanwhile, said Thursday that Iraq was creating biological weapons to strike allied troops in the event of war and Kuwait's exiled defense minister said Iraq is in possession of 650 U.S.- made Hawk ground-to-air missiles.

A U.N.-affiliated international aid group has even begun stockpiling food on

Cyprus to feed refugees in case the standoff turns into a fight, the Athens News Agency reported.

Al Qadissiya, the mouthpiece of the Iraqi defense ministry, gave no reason for the ouster of Iraqi army chief of staff Lt. Gen. Nizar al Kazarji's, only saying he would be replaced by Hussein Rashid, a hero of the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war.

Western diplomats in the region said the reason for the army chief of staff's dismissal was not immediately clear, but that it may indicate trouble in Saddam's inner circle.

''It appears that Saddam is facing opposition to his policy in Kuwait ... . After all, any chief of staff must realize that for Iraq to continue standing up to the multinational force in the gulf is suicidal, '' said one envoy, who asked not to be identified.

Two other high-level aides to Saddam have left since the Aug. 2 invasion.

Communications Minister Saddoun Shaker resigned his post in September, officially for health reasons although sources said he quit in a show of anger over the invasion.

Last month, Saddam sacked Oil Minister Issam Abdulrahim Chalabi and canceled a gasoline rationing program Chalabi had ordered in the wake of the U.N.-imposed trade and oil embargo against Iraq.

The British Broadcasting Corp. said Saddam had ordered the release of the 240 Polish citizens at the request of former German Chancellor Willy Brandt, who went to Baghdad to win the release of as many hostages as possible.

Iraq, which still holds more than 3,000 foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait, has said it would release them all in return for a U.N. guarantee that his troops will not be attacked.

But it appeared Thursday that Iraq was also preparing for war.

A gulf Arab government official quoted his country's intelligence reports as saying Iraqi scientists were believed to have developed a more powerful strain of the bacteria Bacillus Anthracis, which causes anthrax and highly fatal pneumonia and skin diseases.

''The Iraqis have been working on anthrax for quite some time, but we understand that they have now developed a deadly strain,'' said the official, who asked that his name and nationality not be used.

The claim was made a day after the U.N. Security Council's sanctions committee warned that medicine sent to Iraq could be used in chemical and biological

warfare.

Kuwait's exiled defense minister meanwhile said in remarks published Thursday that Iraqi troops were in possession of 650 U.S.-made Hawk ground-to-air missiles, left behind in Kuwait when Iraq invaded three months ago.

The World Food Program, a Rome-based agency of the United Nations, was also preparing for war - by sending 8,000 tons of rice, flour and cooking oil to the Mediterranean island nation of Cyprus, where it will be stored in case fighting erupts in the gulf.

Organizers said U.N. groups hope to stockpile enough goods to feed hundreds of thousands of refugees for six months.

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(NOV 8) - The nation's major retailers Thursday reported soft sales in October, continuing a pattern of recent months and foreshadowing a weak Christmas shopping season.

With few exceptions, the retailers reported modest single-digit increases in sales on a comparable-store basis, which is comprised of stores that have been open at least a year.

The lackluster performance again reflected a weak economy, consumer anxiety over the possibility of war in the Middle East and sharply higher prices for gasoline and heating oil, analysts said.

''This was a poor performance but not unexpected in the light of economic and political uncertainties,'' said Kurt Barnard, publisher of Barnard's Retail Marketing Report, an industry newsletter.

He said the October figures are ''a clear signal of where Christmas season is going.''

''We are going to see a very frugal shopping population. They are going to buy fewer things and those are going to be less-expensive items,'' said Barnard. ''There is no doubt in my mind that there will be a strong promotional climate maybe as intense as last year.''

He said his organization is forecasting a Christmas either equal to or 2 percent over last year in sales volume.

Among the biggest three retailers, Bentonville, Ark.-based Wal-Mart reported a 10 percent increase in same-store sales and a 25 percent increase in total sales to $2.73 billion. K mart Corp. of Troy, Mich., reported an 11.2 percent rise in total sales to $2.34 billion, but did not supply same-store figures.

But Sears Merchandise Group of Chicago, formerly the nation's biggest retailer reported a 0.4 percent fall in same-store sales, and a fall of 1.2 percent in total sales to $2.55 billion.

Among the top performers, Gap Inc. of San Francisco reported an increase of 14 percent in same-store sales and a 24 percent increase in total sales to $155 million. Also reporting a double-digit same-store sales increase was Merry-Go-Round Enterprises Inc. of Joppa, Md., with a figure of 19 percent and a 27 percent increase in total sales to $43.4 million.

One of the most prominent decliners was J.C. Penney of Dallas with a 6.3 percent fall in same-store sales and a 4.9 percent drop in total sales to $1.31 billion. The Penney figures cover store and catalog sales.

New York-based Woolworth Corp. edged up 1 percent in domestic same- store sales, and reported a 13.1 percent increase in total sales. Same- store figures for the company's foreign operations were not available.

Woolworth Chief Executive Harold E. Sells said in a statement the company's sales were bolstered by strong gains in its German operation but that domestic sales were soft, largely due to warmer-than-normal weather across most of the country in October, a factor that affected other apparel retailers.

Limited Inc. of Columbus, Ohio, said same-store sales fell 1 percent and total sales rose 13 percent to $380 million.

Among the department stores, May Department Stores Co. of St. Louis reported a 4.4 percent fall in same-store sales and a 1.1 percent increase in total sales to $708.6 million.

Neiman Marcus Group Inc. of Chestnut Hill, Mass., also reported falling same-store sales, (down 1 percent), and a 4.9 percent increase in total sales to $136.1 million.

Hills Department Stores Inc., of Canton, Mass., reported a 6 percent rise in same-store sales and a 10.6 percent increase in total sales to $178. 8 million.

Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. of Los Angeles reported same-store sales slipped 0.1 percent and total sales edged up 1.7 percent to $212.0 million.

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LIMA, Peru (NOV. 8) UPI - A 17-year-old student was seriously wounded by a bomb that exploded in front of the U.S.-Peruvian Cultural Institute, police said Thursday.

The bombing, part of a wave of blasts that shook the Peruvian capital Wednesday night, was an aparent retaliation for a vote by Congress not to prosecute ex-President Alan Garcia for murder of left-wing guerrillas.

Other explosions damaged the front door of the Bank of Lima, 50 yards from the downtown office of United Press International, while an explosion earlier in the day damaged the Jose Maria Arguedas state school.

Four buses and a food truck were burned in other assaults in the greater Lima area, police said.

The injured student was identified as Florentina Navarro, 17. She was tgaken to Emergency Hospital for treatment, police said.

The violence, attributed to leftist guerrilla groups, began after the Chamber of Deputies, by a vote of 80 to 75 with two abstentions, decided not to prosecute Garcia for political murder.

The Chamber meeting thereby rejected a recommendation of a committee that said Garcia, now a senator, should be stripped of his immunity and prosecuted for the deaths of 247 prisoners during and following jailhouse uprisings in Lima and Callao on June 18-19, 1986.

Almost all of the prisoners who were killed belonged to the ultraleft Shining Path guerrilla movement, which is based in the Andean mountains.

Other bombings Wednesday night that caused little damage exploded near the building of the Labor Ministry, while another went off harmlessly in Fermin Tanguis Park, about 200 yards from the residence of U.S. Ambassador Anthony Quainton.

Army troops surrounded the ambassador's residence after that blast as a security measure.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - Construction unions will expand a local boycott of Toys-R-Us and make it nationwide, the head of the AFL-CIO's Building and Construction Trades Department said Thursday.

"Toys-R-Us should really be called Shoddy-is-Us," said Robert Georgine, announcing that his department in the AFL-CIO will back the boycott initiated by local construction unions in Illinois.

According to union officials, Toys-R-Us is constructing a $22.5 million warehouse in Joliet, Ill., with non-union workers and paying far below the area's prevailing wage scales.

"The company has a shoddy, abysmal record of buying the cheapest possible products overseas, building its facilities with cheap labor and taking advantage of students, women, older workers and minorities as clerks working at the lowest possible wage," Georgine said. The Building and Contruction Trades Department represents 15 national and international unions with more than four million members.

The boycott is being launched as Rochelle Park, N.J.-based Toys-R-Us, one of the nation's largest retailers of toys, is entering one of the busiest sales seasons of the year - Christmas - and the union boycott is aimed at discouraging customers and depressing sales.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - Yields declined on long bonds Thursday to an average of 8.71 percent on the final day of the quarterly refunding, the lowest since 8.50 percent Feb. 8, the Treasury Department said.

The department said it auctioned about $10.75 billion of the 29 3/4- year, 8 3/4 percent interest rate notes at an average price of $100.376. At the last auction Aug. 9, the average yield on comparable 30-year bonds was 8.87 percent.

Bids Thursday totaled about $22 billion.

Earlier in tha day, the Treasury Department also auctioned $12 billion in 161-day cash management bills, as a part of the three-day refunding, at an average discount rate of 7.08 percent.

The average investment rate on the bills, designed to meet the short- term cash needs of the United States, was 7.41 percent and the average price was $96.834.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - The 15 House members and one senator who got beat in Tuesday's election probably won't end up on the streets, but unlike the average citizen they will not be getting unemployment to cushion their fall.

On the ''Tonight'' show recently, comedian Jay Leno said that when members of Congress are defeated, they are entitled to unemployment benefits, and he asked, ''Can't we ever get these deadbeats off the payroll?''

It turns out it was a just a joke. It's a misconception that elected officials can receive such benefits, say officials of the District of Columbia and Virginia unemployment offices.

Other government workers are eligible for the benefits, but most state and federal laws have specific exclusions for elected officials, such as members of state legislatures or Congress.

Even if unemployment were available, it probably would not get much use. ''They're not about to go on unemployment,'' said one congressional aide. ''I can't imagine anybody doing it. ... Most of them are lawyers or other professions with lots of contacts (for new jobs).''

And their pay continues for about two months while they look for work. Even if they were defeated in the election, their status as members of Congress does not end until early January when the new Congress is sworn in.

Meanwhile, they continue to receive regular paychecks at the rate of $96,600 a year for House members and $98,400 for senators.

Many members do not even go back home after they retire or lose an election. Instead, they sign on with various private companies as consultants or government relations officers and use their considerable knowledge of how Washington works for the benefit of their new employers.

If members do return home, the government pays the costs of shipping their files and records to their hometowns.

Older members of Congress also have pension benefits to fall back on.

Under the current system, House members become vested after just five years of service and are eligible for pensions at age 62. Those who entered Congress before 1984 can collect pensions at age 60 after 10 years of service.

At a minimum, without credit for any other government or military service, that would produce an annual pension of about $22,800, according to congressional staffers.

The also can continue their medical insurance coverage, with the costs deducted from their earned annuities.

If they remain in Washington, former members also enjoy a few cost- saving perks on Capitol Hill, including continued use of the House and Senate barber shops, restaurants and stationary stores where prices are lower than at public stores and shops.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - Assistant Senate Democratic leader Alan Cranston says he has prostate cancer and probably won't seek re-election. The four-term California

senator says his doctors tell him that the cancer is ''totally curable,'' but immediate treatment is necessary. Cranston said he won't seek re- election to the post of assistant Senate Democratic leader next week or his Senate seat in 1992 because ''I must now concentrate on defeating this thing.''

President Bush today accepted with what he termed ''deep regret'' the resignation of William Bennett as director of the Office of National Drug Policy Control. Bush accepted the resignation at a special White House ceremony called to honor Bennett. The president said Bennett confronted the drug problem head-on and- quoting now- ''his hard work has paid off.''

The semi-official Athens News agency in Greece reports that emergency food stockpiles are being built up on the island of Cyprus to help refugees in case war breaks out in the Middle East. The first shipment of eight-thousand tons of emergency food is to arrive next Monday aboard a cargo ship from New Orleans. The World Food Program is handling the shipments.

There are NO reports of damage or injuries from a light earthquake that shook New Mexico early today. The U-S Geological Survey reports that the quake registered four-point-one on the Richter scale and was centered near Balen, about 40 miles south of Albuquerque. It was the third light quake in the area in less than a year.

Israel reports that a military patrol stopped five gunmen who tried to infiltrate into Israeli-held territory from Jordan today. An Israeli solder and one guerrilla died in shooting that followed. The Israeli Army Radio said four of the five were Jordanian policemen wearing civilian clothing. The fifth was a member of a terrorist organization. All were armed with pistols and knives.

The estimated three-Million Americans who will suffer from panic disorders in their lifetimes have new help, thanks to the Food and Drug Administration. It has approved the first drug to treat the mental illness that will strike between one and two percent of the population. The drug has been on the market for 10 years and has been used to reduce general anxiety. But the F-D-A move now widens that use to cover panic disorder.

The official Soviet news agency Tass reports that the unemployed Leningrad worker who fired two shots in Red Square on Revolution Day was charged today with attempted assassination. The report says Alexander Shmonov told investigators of his plans for an assassination during the Red Square ceremonies. A Soviet newspaper says someone hit Shmonov's hand as he pulled the trigger on a hunting rifle near where President Mikhail Gorbachev and other leaders were standing.

Reports from Seoul say about 10-thousand people staged a massive demonstration today on an island off South Korea to protest a plan to build a nuclear waste storage facility on the site. Media reports say rioters seized government

offices and burned a police substation on Anmyondo Island, 85 miles southwest of the capital. The reports say at least five police officers were hurt.

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MONTGOMERY, N.Y. (NOV. 8) UPI - A state trooper on the lookout for speeders on Interstate 84 in southern New York got a big surprise when a light plane was forced to make an emergency landing and taxied by him.

State Police Trooper Hector Fernandez said he was watching for speeders when the small Piper Cherokee malfunctioned Wednesday afternoon and used part of I-84 in the town of Montgomery as a runway.

He said the plane taxied for about a half mile into a rest area.

Fernandez said the plane flew out of Orange County Airport with instructor George Secor, 24, at the helm and his student Ronald Piecarski.

Federal Aviation Administration officials were examining the plane Thursday to determine if it could take off again from the highway or should be taken apart and trucked away.

Secor said it would be easier to just fly it back out again.

The problem was reported to be a broken cotter pin that holds the throttle together, a simple repair once the plane has landed.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - President Bush claimed limited damage to the GOP in the midterm elections but acknowledged Thursday that his own switch on taxes was costly and he now has ''some remedial work'' to do before 1992.

Sizing up the elections at a news conference in which he also refused to say if he would seek re-election in two years time, Bush pointed to anti-tax sentiment as pivotal in a number of races where incumbents, especially governors, bore the wrath of voter discontent.

''I think there is a lesson. I think people feel they are taxed too much,'' he said.

In a candid exchange with reporters, Bush also made clear that he would move to minimize the impact of the issue in the future, promising a flurry of vetoes and ''a whale of a fight'' if Democrats resort to any more tax increases in the future.

''I don't think it was popular what I did, with anybody. But I think it was the right thing to do,'' Bush said. ''So I have some remedial work to do, I think.''

Specifically, he pledged that his going along with tax increases in this year's budget agreement to slash $492 billion over five years was a one-time compromise. And he held out the effective threat of his veto pen, already wielded 16 times, if Democrats try again.

''Can I make the promise that I won't support (tax increases)? Absolutely,'' he told reporters. ''But sometimes you run into some realities, but I'm girding up my loins to go into battle to beat back the tax attempts that I think are coming.

''I had the message long before America went to the polls to say, 'Hey, we don't want any more taxes,''' he said. ''The good news on that ... is I think some of the Democrats got the message, as well as Republicans.''

And though expressing disappointment at the loss of any GOP seat, Bush said several times that at the cost of a single Senate seat and nine House seats, it was an above-average showing for the GOP.

Historically, the party in control of the White House has lost ground in off-year elections.

Indeed, after weeks of bitter partisan attacks, public outrage over the budget mess and predictions of gloom and doom, most analysts agreed that the 1990 elections left the GOP only marginally weakened.

Bush said he regretted ''terribly'' the defeat of Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, R-Minn. who was dislodged by Democrat Paul Wellstone and the sole Senate incumbent to lose his seat. Boschwitz's defeat enabled the Democrats to pick up one Senate seat. They now hold a majority of 56-44.

In the House, Democrats gained eight congressional seats, for a total of 268 and 167 for Republicans. A ninth seat went to socialist Bernard Sanders of Vermont, who ran as an independent.

But Bush acknowledged a higher price was paid by governors, with those who raised taxes, like Florida Gov. Bob Martinez, the most vulnerable. The election of governors was crucial for both parties because the winners will have veto power over congressional redistricting in the coming year based on the 1990 census.

National Democrats were quick to argue that their gains in some Sun Belt gubernatorial races, coupled with network exit polling data, proved they could use pro-middle class pocketbook themes to make a strong 1992 push for the White House and win their second presidential race in seven tries.

Bush, for his part, refused to say whether he would be making his own bid for re-election.

''No decision has been made,'' he said.

But when asked if he wished he hadn't broken his much-balleyhooed campaign promise of no new taxes, made back in 1988, Bush replied, ''Do I wish I'd been able to, yes, very much so.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - Third quarter earnings of the Royal Dutch/Shell Group of Companies doubled while those of British Petroleum p.l.c. halved as a result of soaring crude oil prices during the Persian Gulf crisis, the companies reported Thursday.

Shell said its earnings for the three-month period ended Sept. 30 were $2.04 billion on revenues of $32.9 billion, an increase of 95 percent over profits of $1.04 billion on sales of $25.8 billion for the same period in 1989.

Nine-month earnings were $4.3 billion on sales of $89.9 billion, a decline of 6 percent from $4.9 billion on revenues of $77 billion in 1989, the company said.

The Royal Dutch/Shell Group is made up of the Royal Dutch Petroleum Co. and the Shell Transport and Trading Co., each of which is separately traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

The London-based Royal Dutch Petroleum's third-quarter rose to $2.39 a share from $1.23 a share in 1989's third quarter. Earnings for the nine-month period however, fell from last year's $5.80 a share to $5.09 a share in 1990.

Shell Transport, which has its headquarters in the Hague, Holland, said its profits for each American Depositary Receipt in the third quarter climbed to $1.36 from 70 cents in 1989's third quarter. Nine- month earnings fell to $2.89 an ADR in 1990 from $3.29 an ADR last year.

U.S. banks issue ADRs to encourage the trading of foreign currencies by easing their transfer overseas and their conversion to foreign currencies.

Shell said its exploration and production earnings rose from $390 million in last year's third quarter to $780 million this year ''largely due to sharply increased crude prices.''

For the group, the company statement said, there were ''substantial inventory holding gains'' arising from higher crude prices in the third quarter ''in

contrast to the first half of the year, when inventory losses were reported.''

British Petroleum of London reported its third-quarter replacement- cost profits fell 47.7 percent from last year's $415 million, or 95 cents an ADR, on revenues of $7.4 billion to $217 million, or 49 cents an ADR, on sales of $7.9 billion in 1990.

For the nine-month period, earnings declined 23.2 percent from 1989's $1.68 billion, or $3.67 an ADR, on sales of $21.3 billion, to this year's $1.29 billion, or $2.91 an ADR, on revenues of $23.19 billion, BP said.

BP Deputy Chairman David Simon said, ''The most influential element reflected in BP's third quarter results was the impact of the Middle East crisis on petroleum markets ... In BP's case, this resulted in a higher tax charge for the reporting period.''

The company reported that pretax operating profit rose 15 percent in the third quarter to $1.05 billion from $913 million in the third quarter of 1989.

Simon added, ''The extremes in crude oil price seen in spot markets are not recovered in sales realizations by BP Exploration due to time lag.''

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MIAMI (NOV. 8) UPI - A dispute weighing the importance of attorney-client privacy rights against freedom of the press was waged Thursday in the federal drug case against deposed Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega.

At issue are government tapes that Cable News Network acquired of conversations Noriega had with his attorneys. The all-news station began airing excerpts from one of the tapes early Thursday.

At a morning hearing, an obviously angered U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler ordered CNN to refrain from using the tapes until he made a final ruling on a defense request for an injunction to permanently prohibit the network from airing the audio tapes.

''Before I became a judge, as most judges, I became a lawyer and I hope I still am,'' he said. ''I can't conceive of the right of someone else to know what a defense lawyer and his client are talking about.''

A CNN attorney said the network would attempt to have the temporary injunction lifted.

The permanent injunction was requested by lead defense attorney Frank Rubino, who said after the hearing that he planned to file a formal request for a dismissal because Noriega's attorney-client right to confidentiality and his

right to a fair trial had been compromised.

''We are absolutely shocked and horrified that the U.S. government would wiretap General Noriega and his lawyers engaging in the most sensitive of communications whatsoever,'' he said.

''Now at this point we have no idea as to what depths they have stooped to and whether our home phones are tapped, whether our homes are bugged, whether our cars are bugged or what other intrusions the government has entered into in their desparation to convict General Noriega.''

Assistant U.S. Attorney Myles Malman said the government had not heard the tapes and would have no position on the issue, other than to say the FBI was investigating to determine how CNN got the tapes.

President Bush, appearing before reporters to announce the resignation of anti-drug chief William Bennett, was asked about the Noriega tapes during a brief news conference in Washington. He said he was unaware of the reports and therefore, would not respond to questions about them.

CNN attorney Dan Waggoner argued in court that the network should not be placed at the center of the controversy because the network did not make the tapes. He said network officials contacted the government about the tapes after they were acquired Wednesday night and, as in court, the government would not offer any input.

''I think what has happened is that General Noriega's argument with the government has been pinned on CNN and that should not happen,'' he said.

He said CNN has at least seven tape recordings from government wiretaps of Noriega phone conversations. He refused to reveal the content of them or to say exactly how many there were.

After the hearing, Rubino said that the excerpt he heard had a member of his office talking to Noriega about defense investigations into government witnesses. He said they were using a Hispanic secretary to translate their conversation and were ''naming names, naming witnesses.''

As a condition to having telephone privileges at federal prison, Noriega agreed to have the government monitor his conversations. But Rubino said the government was not permitted to record conversations that dealt with Noriega's defense.

Hoeveler asked the bureau of prisons to find out how many tapes of Noriega conversations there were and have them sealed. He also asked that further phone conversations not be monitored.

A 1988 Miami federal indictment against Noriega and 15 defendants charges them

with providing a drug trafficking and money laundering sanctuary for South American drug smugglers. A simultaneous indictment in Tampa accuses him of conspiring with a smuggler to import more than a million pounds of marijuana.

He surrendered in the Dec. 20 U.S. invasion of Panama and was brought to Miami to stand trial, which is scheduled to begin Jan. 28. If convicted in Miami, he faces a maximum penalty of 145 years in prison and a $1.1 million fine.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 8) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	77.65	77.65	77.30	77.35	77.60
Feb	74.85	74.92	74.60	74.65	74.85
Apr	74.92	75.07	74.75	74.87	74.92
Jun	72.65	72.87	72.60	72.72	72.72
Aug	71.45	71.60	71.30	71.30	71.27
Oct	71.70	71.77	71.52	71.52	71.52
Dec	72.40	72.45	72.40	72.45	72.30

Est. sales 7,405 contracts; Wednesday 9,165; open interest 68,424 off 518.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Nov	87.82	87.85	87.55	87.60	87.97
Jan	86.20	86.25	85.80	85.90	86.30
Mar	83.70	83.75	83.50	83.55	83.80
Apr	82.80	82.80	82.55	82.65	82.85
May	82.10	82.10	81.95	82.02	82.17
Aug	81.05	81.20	81.05	81.20	81.10
Sep	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.20	80.20

Est. sales 942 contracts; Wednesday 1,327; open interest 9,400 off 8.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	53.42	53.60	52.97	53.07	53.72
Feb	51.00	51.10	50.50	50.57	51.15
Apr	47.92	48.00	47.60	47.65	47.92
Jun	51.60	51.65	51.10	51.12	51.70
Jul	51.55	51.97	51.55	51.65	51.95
Aug	50.15	50.15	49.55	49.75	50.10
Oct	....	44.82	44.65	44.65	44.85
Dec	44.95	44.95	44.85	44.85	44.90

Est. sales 6,101 contracts; Wednesday 9,936; open interest 26,261 off 424. Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	69.50	70.25	68.95	69.17	69.97
Mar	68.90	69.80	68.30	68.50	69.20

May	68.90	69.35	67.90	68.15	69.12
Jul	68.00	68.80	67.10	67.10	68.25
Aug	66.90	66.90	64.90	64.90	66.00

Est. sales 6,581 contracts; Wednesday 6,950; open interest 9,962 up 1,017.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lb 126.41 up 9 cents, 700-850 lb 126.42 up 4 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lb 117.13 down 29 cents, 700-850 lb 116.83 down 28 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light; fresh pork loins were not fully established; Boston butts and skinned hams weak; seedless bellies firm to 0.75 higher; pork loins 14-18 lb 98.00; Boston butts 4-8 lb 74.00; hams 17-20 lb 101.00, 20-26 lb 85.00-88.00; bellies 12-14 lb 60.50, 14-16 lb 60.50, 16-18 lb 58.00, 18-20 lb 53.50-56.00.

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KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (NOV. 8) UPI - Malaysia sides with the United States in the U.S. dispute with the European Community over agricultural subsidies, a key minister said Thursday.

The Asian country also stands to gain handsomely from liberalization of world trade, said Rafidah Aziz, Malaysia's minister of international trade and industry.

She predicted hard bargaining will take place during final negotiations set for Dec. 3-7, culminating the four-year-long Uruguay Round of talks on liberalizing world trade.

In the talks involving delegations from 107 negotiating countries of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, a number of sensitive issues remain outstanding and ''have been left for actual negotiation by ministers in the final meeting in Brussels,'' the minister said.

''Some breakthroughs may be achieved at the ministerial-level meeting.''

Besides the major sticking point on farm subsidies, other GATT objectives include freeing trade in textiles, reducing curbs on international insurance and banking and ending the pirating of intellectual properties, such as copyrights and patents.

The Cairns group of 14 advanced and developing nations recently expressed fear

the early December meeting in Belgium might not last have to be revised unless EC participants immediately presented proposals for cutting agriculture subsidies.

The EC's final proposals for cutting farm subsidies by 30 percent was described by the United States Wednesday as ''disappointing.''

U.S. negotiators, who want a cutback of 90 percent in export subsidies and 75 percent in price supports, felt the EC offer fell far short of what was needed to reach an accord by December.

Rafidah said Malaysia concurred with the U.S. view concerning the EC proposal.''Without a breakthrough in the Uruguay Round of talks, we are heading towards a world market fraught with protectionism,'' she said.

''We want to see if the EC proposal on agriculture can accomodate the interests of all its trading partners and we will be looking at the other offer package in detail as well,'' she added.

As far as Malaysia goes, the minister was upbeat about the country's prospects for becoming more of a force in world trade.

''We are being very realistic. We stand to gain more from liberalization in world trade than anybody else,'' Rafidah said.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (NOV. 8) UPI - The shuttle Atlantis's countdown to liftoff next week will begin earlier than usual Sunday, apparently because of a planned Air Force Titan 4 rocket launch Monday that will interrupt shuttle processing, sources said Thursday.

While Atlantis's exact launch time is classified, sources who requested anonymity said the orbiter and its five-man, all-military crew are scheduled to take off at 6:46 p.m. EST next Thursday to kick off a four-day flight to deploy a military satellite that may be used to spy on the Persian Gulf.

If all goes well, Atlantis's countdown will begin at 10:30 p.m. Sunday and the ship's crew will fly to the Kennedy Space Center from Houston Tuesday afternoon to prepare for launch.

Shuttle countdowns typically begin three days before launch but Atlantis's countdown is scheduled to start Sunday evening, nearly four days before takeoff.

Reliable sources said the countdown would begin earlier than usual in part because of Air Force plans to launch a powerful Titan 4 rocket Monday evening

from nearby pad 41 at the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station to boost a secret military satellite into orbit.

Because the two launch pads are so close together, workers will have to evacuate Atlantis's gantry before the Titan's ground-shaking liftoff, interrupting the shuttle's countdown processing, the sources said.

Neither the Air Force nor NASA will discuss details about classified rocket launches and a space agency spokeswoman would not address any differences in Atlantis's countdown and those of past shuttle missions.

''That's the amount of time that we need to prepare for launching Atlantis on the classified flight,'' she said. ''The exact details of the countdown are not discussed on a classified mission.''

At nearby launch pad 39B, meanwhile, engineers continued work Thursday to prepare the shuttle Columbia for blastoff around the end of the month on a long-delayed astronomy mission.

During work at the pad overnight, an access platform extending into Columbia's open payload bay bumped into a fragile star tracker attached to one of the telescopes making up the ship's ''Astro 1'' payload. The star tracker will be used in space to keep the telescope locked onto various targets.

Officials said the platform came in contact with insulation around the star tracker, causing a small tear and a crease measuring one- quarter of an inch by one-eighth of an inch.

Coincidentally, the incident happened Wednesday, the same day top NASA officials briefed reporters on a study into a series of mishaps at the Kennedy Space Center over the past 13 months that have raised questions about quality control.

The study did not identify any generic problems at the spaceport and the latest incident was not considered serious. Nonetheless, engineers likely will test the star tracker's operation prior to takeoff to make sure the device ws not damaged in any way.

The Titan 4, making the rocket program's third flight since June 14, 1989, originally was scheduled for takeoff shortly after midnight Sept. 9, but the flight was canceled at the T-minus five-minute mark because of a last-minute technical glitch.

Aviation Week & Space Technology magazine reported the towering rocket was sidelined by problems with the booster's steering system. Even though the postponement was not related to the Titan's secret payload, the Air Force will not discuss any aspect of a Titan 4 mission.

The Titan 4 was built to give the Air Force independent access to space for high-priority military payloads. It is second only to NASA's manned shuttle in its ability to carry heavy cargos into orbit.

The program's first flight was successfully conducted on June 14, 1989, and the second on June 8 this year. The launch next week will mark the rocket's third.

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ATHENS, GREECE (NOV. 8) UPI - An accidental bomb blast Thursday led investigators to major clues that could lead to the break-up of notorious terrorist organizations operating in Athens for several years, the government said.

The announcement came after an accidental bomb explosion blew off the hand of a man suspected of being a member of a terrorist organization, and led to the discovery of an arms cache in a warehouse in central Athens.

Government spokesman Byron Polydoras said: ''Preliminary assessments lead us to conclude that we are dealing with a link (in the chain) of terrorist activities.''

Police arrested Kyriakos Mazokopos, 37, after a bomb he was handling exploded accidently, blowing off his left hand and wounding him in the face and one eye.

The explosion occurred in the Exarcheia district of central Athens, and police later found an arms cache including home-made bombs in a nearby warehouse.

Mazokopos was taken under heavy guard to a Red Cross hospital where he underwent surgery.

Police said they had found evidence that Mazokopos may have belonged to a terrorist organization calling itself the Revolutionary Popular Struggle, or ELA by its Greek initials, and had taken part in several terrorist bombings in Athens.

The Public Order Ministry said later in a statement: ''Men of the Anti-Terrorist Service early this morning uncovered a terrorist hideout ... in the Exarcheia district.''

''A search carried out by the competent police services established that there were materials and means (at the hideout) for carrying out terrorist activities.''

The cache included land mines, hand grenades, explosives, guns, ammunition, detonating devices, keys, masks, and wigs, the ministry said.

''Also found were printed material from well-known terrorist organizations and a stolen motorcycle,'' the statement said.

The statement did not name the organizations.

Police were led to the hideout following the accident that injured Mazokopos, who was ''known to the police from previous illegal activities.'' Officials said earlier Mazokopos was previosly under surveillance on suspicion of belonging to ELA.

''Mazokopos, who is being treated under guard at the Red Cross Hospital was injured as he was attempting to assemble an explosive device in the hideout,'' the ministry statement said. His left hand was amputated and he lost his left eye in the blast, it said.

Preliminary investigations were under way on the items found in the arms cache and ''the competent police authorities are continuing their inquiries,'' the statement said.

ELA, a leftwing organization, claimed responsibility for several terrorist bombings in Athens.

Other terrorist groups which have been active in Athens since 1976, included ''November 1,'' a leftwing organization that claimed responsibilty for several ruthless killings, and a group calling itself ''May 1.''

Several U.S. diplomats, military officers and servicemen were killed or injured in the left-wing terrorist attacks. Greek politicians, industrialists and officials were also killed or injured in the attacks.

Officials said earlier they suspected the leftwing groups were either interlinked or were one organization operating under several names.

Early this year, press reports said police had received a tip that the terrorist groups may have had links with Libya, through an agent operating under cover as an accredited journalist. The suspected agent disappeared about the time the report was published.

There was no official confirmation of the Libyan link, but terrorist bombings in Athens dropped sharply after the suspected agent disappeared.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 8) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.66 3/4	2.69 1/2	2.65 3/4	2.69 1/4	2.65 3/4
Mar	2.81 1/2	2.84	2.80 3/4	2.84	2.80 1/2
May	2.88 1/4	2.91 1/2	2.88 1/4	2.91 1/2	2.88 1/2
Jly	2.93 1/2	2.96 1/2	2.93	2.96 1/4	2.93 1/4
Sep	2.98 3/4	3.01	2.98 1/2	3.01	2.98 1/4
Dec	3.10	3.12	3.08 1/2	3.12	3.09 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.30 1/4	2.33 1/4	2.29 3/4	2.33	2.30 1/4
Mar	2.40 1/2	2.43	2.40	2.42 3/4	2.40 1/2
May	2.47	2.50	2.47	2.49 3/4	2.47 1/4
Jly	2.52 3/4	2.54 3/4	2.52 1/2	2.54 3/4	2.52 3/4
Sep	2.51 3/4	2.53	2.51 1/2	2.52 1/2	2.51 1/2
Dec	2.51	2.53	2.50 3/4	2.52 3/4	2.51 1/4
Mar	2.57 1/2	2.60	2.57 1/2	2.59 3/4	2.57 1/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.21	1.21 3/4	1.20 1/2	1.21 1/2	1.21
Mar	1.32 1/4	1.32 3/4	1.31 1/2	1.32 1/2	1.32 1/4
May	1.38 3/4	1.39 1/4	1.38 1/4	1.39 1/4	1.38 3/4
Jly	1.44 1/4	1.45	1.44 1/4	1.45	1.44 3/4
Sep	....	....	....	1.51	1.50 3/4
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	5.83 1/2	5.85	5.82	5.83 1/4	5.82
Jan	5.97	5.99 1/4	5.96 1/2	5.97 1/2	5.97 1/2
Mar	6.12	6.13 1/2	6.10 1/4	6.12 1/2	6.12
May	6.24 1/2	6.27	6.23 1/2	6.25 1/2	6.25
Jly	6.36 1/2	6.37	6.34 1/2	6.36 1/4	6.35 1/2
Aug	6.37 1/2	6.37 1/2	6.35 1/2	6.37 1/4	6.36
Sep	6.24 1/2	6.24 1/2	6.21 1/2	6.21 3/4	6.21
Nov	6.17 1/2	6.17 1/2	6.14	6.16 1/4	6.15 1/2
Jan	....	....	....	6.27 1/4	6.26
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Dec	21.25	21.32	21.15	21.20	21.07
Jan	21.58	21.60	21.43	21.50	21.34
Mar	21.98	22.00	21.87	21.93	21.78
May	22.35	22.40	22.27	22.32	22.17
Jul	22.60	22.70	22.55	22.62	22.45
Aug	22.60	22.65	22.58	22.60	22.42
Sep	22.60	22.60	22.47	22.55	22.42
Oct	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.27
Dec	22.35	22.35	22.20	22.30	22.30
Jan	....	....	....	22.30	22.30

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	177.50	177.80	176.30	177.10	177.40
Jan	180.80	180.80	179.10	179.60	180.20
Mar	185.00	185.00	183.30	183.50	184.30
May	187.70	187.70	185.70	186.00	187.00
Jul	190.30	190.30	188.50	188.80	190.00
Aug	191.30	191.30	189.70	189.70	191.00
Sep	189.30	189.30	188.00	188.00	189.00
Oct	185.30	185.30	184.00	184.30	185.00
Dec	186.00	186.00	185.20	185.70	186.20
Jan	....	....	....	186.50	187.50

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CHICAGO (NOV. 8) UPI - Grain and soybean futures closed higher Thursday on the Chicago Board of Trade, supported by export business and export rumors.

The volume was light as traders positioned themselves for the November crop report.

Traders expected the Agriculture Department to report a slight reduction in the corn crop and a slight increase in soybean production.

Steady buying throughout the day supported the entire floor. Indications of Soviet interest in soybeans and soybean meal contributed to the gains, along with a modest turnaround in soybean oil futures.

On the export front, Brazil has been offered 300,000 tons of export bonus wheat, and Taiwan bought small quantities of corn, wheat and soybeans.

Commercials dominated the buying across the floor.

Interior and Gulf basis levels were steady to firm.

At the close, corn was up 1 to 2 3/4, soybeans unchanged to up 1 1/4, wheat up 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 and oats up 1/4 to 1/2.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak reportedly says war could be inevitable in the Persian Gulf unless Iraq withdraws its forces from Kuwait. Mubarak is quoted in the New York Times as saying that countries allied against Iraq are ''NOT bluffing'' and there ''will be NO other way out.'' But the Egyptian leader says the multi- national forces should wait ''two or three more months'' to see if economic sanctions will force Iraq out of Kuwait.

President Bush said today that he accepted ''with deep regret'' the resignation of his anti-drug chief, William Bennett. During a White House ceremony, Bush praised Bennett for confronting he drug problem ''head on'' and said his work has paid off. But the president told reporters that the administration will remain on the front lines in the anti-drug war until ''this scourge is stopped.'' He vowed- ''Block by block, child by child, we will take back the streets.''

California Democratic Senator Alan Cranston says he will NOT run for a fifth term in 1992 and he will NOT seek re-election to his current job as the assistant Senate Democratic leader. The 72-year-old Cranston says he has prostate cancer. Cranston is a member of the so-called ''Keating Five,'' a group of Republican and Democratic senators tied to the savings and loan crisis. His announcement of seeking ''immediate treatment'' leaves open the possibility he may NOT show up next Thursday when the Senate Ethics Committee opens public hearings into the Keating Five.

Soviet authorities today charged an unemployed Leningrad worker with attempted assassination for firing two shots yesterday in Red Square, where Soviet President Gorbachev led a Revolution Day parade. The official news agency Tass identified the man as Alexander Shmonov and says he told investigators of his plans for an assassination on the national holiday.

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl has agreed to sign a key border treaty with Poland next month, a time frame that comes earlier than originally expected. That word comes as Kohl met with Polish leader Thadeusz Mazowiecki in eastern Germany. Kohl then crossed the border into Poland a few miles away. The early signing is viewed as a minor concession to Poland. But little progress is reported on another issue, guarantees of German compensation to Polish victims of Nazi crimes.

Police in Colombia report that the head of the national movie promotion agency and her assistant were kidnapped last night in Bogota in an incident that led to the death of a chauffeur. Police sources believe that the Medellin drug cartel is behind all of this. It already holds seven journalists hostage in Colombia.

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OSHKOSH, WI (NOV. 8) UPI - The case of a man accused of sexually assaulting a woman who claims to have as many as 46 different personalities went to the jury Thursday.

Before the jury received the case, the defendant, Mark A. Peterson, 29, of Oshkosh, admitted he had sexual relations with one of the woman's many personalities, one known as ''Jennifer,'' but said he did not know about her

multiple personality disorder until afterward when he talked with neighbors.

The alleged victim, a 27-year-old Oshkosh woman, was not identified.

In closing arguments, District Attorney John Paulus said Peterson ''intentionally manipulated a person'' and told the jury that in this case it was the guardian of the rights of mentally ill people.

''Who really speaks for the mentally ill in this society?'' Paulus said. ''What he (Peterson) did was to manipulate that mental illness.''

Paulus said Peterson knew of the woman's illness and ''he worked it to his own sexual advantage.''

Paulus told the jury the complex issue of multiple personality was real and a scientifically proven affliction, citing testimony from state psychiatric witnesses.

''It's real and there's no question that it is present in the victim, '' Paulus said.

Defense attorney Edward J. Salzsieder told the jury Peterson was ''not responsible for the victim.''

''Please do not let your sympathy cloud your judgment,'' he admonished the Winnebago County Circuit Court jury.

Salzsieder tried to dispel state psychiatric testimony by citing defense witnesses. He questioned how Peterson could know a person less than four hours and determine she had such a complex psychiatric disorder.

Peterson told the jury as his trial entered its fourth day that he thought the woman's references to other people were about brothers and sisters.

Peterson said he called the woman the next day to apologize, and said,'' I'm sorry I had sex with Jennifer'' - one of the woman's many personalities.

Peterson said another of the woman's personalties, ''Franny'' replied to his apology by saying, ''If you wanted to have sex, why didn't you come to me?''

He said ''Franny'' threatened him, saying, ''I'm going to prosecute you, you bastard.''

The woman testified Wednesday after three of her 46 personalities were sworn in. ''Jennifer,'' the personality involved, said she did not know what sex was.

''I didn't know what he was doing,'' ''Jennifer'' said. Asked if ''Jennifer'' and Peterson had sex, ''Jennifer'' responded, ''I don't know. What's sex?''

A defense psychiatrist, Dr. Donald Treffert, told the jury Wednesday the woman was faking her multiple personalities. Treffert said people with split personalities do not lose touch with reality. He said Peterson should be acquitted, because the woman still had control of her body.

However, prosecution witness Jean Goodwyn, a psychiatry professor at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee, testified she hass worked with ''somewhere around 100'' patients with multiple personality disorder.

She said she saw the victim in this case last April and diagnosed her with the problem.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Gold futures closed Thursday 70 to 100 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	385.70	387.30	385.70	387.30	386.30
Dec	388.00	389.00	385.30	388.90	387.90
Feb	392.00	393.00	389.00	392.70	391.80
Apr	395.00	396.30	392.80	396.30	395.40
Jun	397.30	400.20	397.30	400.20	399.30
Aug	403.90	403.90	403.90	403.90	403.00
Oct	407.80	....	....	407.80	407.00
Dec	411.70	....	....	411.70	411.00
Feb	416.10	....	....	416.10	415.40
Apr	420.30	....	....	420.30	419.60
Jun	424.80	....	....	424.80	424.10
Aug	429.60	....	....	429.60	428.90

Open interest: 115,957 off 170.

Estimated sales: 35,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 15 point higher to 1 point lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.77	9.90	9.77	9.81	9.66
May	9.80	9.90	9.80	9.81	9.67
Jly	9.83	9.90	9.80	9.80	9.68
Oct	9.85	9.88	9.79	9.80	9.68

Mar	9.81	....	....	9.74	9.75

Estimated sales: 9,790 contracts
Open interest: 112,496 off 151
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.93

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday unchanged to 5 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.16	23.19	23.16	23.19	23.17
Mar	23.15	23.16	23.15	23.16	23.16
May	23.27	23.27	23.26	23.26	23.25
Jly	23.25	....	....	23.26	23.25
Sep	23.21	....	....	23.22	23.21
Nov	23.05	23.05	23.05	23.05	23.01
Jan	23.10	....	....	23.05	23.00

Estimated sales: 287 contracts
Open interest: 11,460 up 84

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - A computer network will take the first nationwide look at cancer patients' treatment and survival - information that should improve cancer therapy, the American Cancer Society announced Thursday.

Currently, there is no comprehensive way of tracking exactly how the 1 million Americans diagnosed with cancer each year are treated, or how that treatment affects their eventual outcome.

The new computer system, set up by the cancer society and the American College of Surgeons' Commission on Cancer, intially will collect data on cancer patients at a network of 600 hopsitals. The aim is to expand the hospital to include about 1,200 hospitals and about 70 percent of all U.S. cancer cases.

The National Cancer Database will provide ''a sort of 'report card' on treatment outcome that will let us know how we are doing on certain cancers,'' said Dr. Gerald Murphy of the cancer society. ''This will allow us to direct our efforts to the areas of cancer care that need attention.''

In addition to providing a look at treatment patterns and survival rates for various types of cancer, the data base will allow doctors to track what is happening in certain sub-populations, like blacks, the elderly and city dwellers.

Murphy said doctors currently rececive a lot of information, but little ''clear-cut guidance'' on ways of treating cancer.

''The American Cancer Society and the Commission on Cancer would like to change that scenario by offering physicians the opportunity to find, in one concise document, how their peers around the country are treating similar patients, and most importantly, to measure the outcomes of those treatments,'' he said.

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DETROIT (NOV. 8) UPI - Combined U.S. car and truck production this week will be nearly 26 percent below last week's level, and more than 18 percent below year-ago levels, Ward's Automotive Reports said Thursday.

With many General Motors Corp. and Ford Motor Co. plants temporarily idled, this week's estimated vehicle build is expected to total 170,708 units, compared to 230,103 cars and trucks last week, and 209,208 units in the year-ago week, the weekly statistical service said.

U.S. car production alone through this week was expected to reach only 109,006 units, 22.5 percent below the prior week, and 18.6 percent below the year-ago week, Ward's said.

That would bring domestic car production so far this year to 5,449, 082 units, or 90 percent of last year's same-date output of 6,053,590 cars.

U.S. truck production this week is estimated at 61,702 units, down a sharp 31 percent from the previous week total of 89,454 units, and 18 percent from year-ago's 79,347.

Estimated year-to-date output through the end of this week is 3,400, 388 trucks, or 95.4 percent of 1989's to-date build of 3,564,622 units.

GM was expected to account for 44.4 percent of this week's estimated U.S. car production, Chrysler Corp., 16 percent; Ford, 11.7 percent; Honda of America Mfg. Inc., 8.9 percent; Toyota Motor Mfg. U.S.A. Inc., 4.1 percent; New United Motor Mfg. Inc., 3.9 percent; Mazda Motor Mfg. (USA) Corp., 3.8 percent; Nissan Motor Mfg. Corp., 3.1 percent; Diamond- Star Motors Corp., 3.0 percent; and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc., 1.1 percent.

Chrysler was the only one of the Big Three U.S. carmakers to schedule all of its assembly plants to operate this week.

GM temporarily shuttered 10 U.S. plants this week, with some closures extending beyond this week to trim high inventories.

Second-ranked Ford, citing a lack of dealer orders, closed six U.S. plants this week, including its Taurus/Sable cars plants in Atlanta and Chicago, and

its Tempo/Topaz car plant in Kansas City, Mo.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	387.25	up 7.25
Morning fixing	386.30	off 0.95
Afternoon fixing	384.75	off 2.50
Close	386.00	off 1.25
Paris	388.01	up 2.54
Zurich	386.50	off 1.00
Hong Kong	386.50	up 2.75
New York		
Comex spot close	387.30	up 1.00
Republic cash	387.50	up 1.25
Handy and Harman	384.75	off 0.25

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 386.05 off 0.25 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 405.35 off 0.27 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.277	off 0.01
Republic cash	4.28	unchanged

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.245 per fine ounce off 0.035

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.265 off 0.025 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.565 off 0.025

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 423.00 off 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 523.00 off 2.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 94.50 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 109.50 off 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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CHICAGO (NOV. 8) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.49 1/4-2.59 1/4 up 3 1/2.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.72 1/2- 5.85 1/4 unchanged to up 1 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.21-2.33 up 2 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.36-2.37 1/2 up 3 3/4 to 2 3/4.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Deflation of ballooning prices for contemporary art continued Thursday as a week-long series of sales at Manhattan's two major auction houses drew to a close.

Some 28 of 58 paintings and sculptures which went on the block Wednesday evening at Christie's gallery failed to find a buyer willing to pay the reserve price below which the art work remains unsold.

The 30 lots that did sell brought a disappointing total of $36.7 million, against a pre-sale estimate of $47.7 million to $65.4 million.

''Quality sells and that's what sold tonight,'' commented Diane Upright, curator of contemporary art sales at Christie's.

''But I think we will take an overall look at structuring sale in general. In the process of reassessment, perhaps the evneing sales may become more tightly focused.''

Top price in the sale was $8.8 million paid by New York dealer Larry Gagosian for Willem de Kooning's ''July,'' part of his urban landscape series painted in 1856. Christie's had put an evaluation of $5 million to $7 million on the canvas, an abstract composition of summery colors slashed with black.

Swiss dealer Thomas Ammann paid $4.84 million for an untitled 1961 Cy Twombly graffiti painting, and an unidentified European collector paid $3.85 million for Fracis Bacon's 1967 ''Portrit of George Dyer Staring into a Mirror.'' An unidentified dealer bought Mark Rothko's 1958 color field painting, ''Black and Dark Red on Red'' fetched $3.19 million.

Among the paintings that failed to sell were two Andy Warhol self- portraits and his ''12 Jackies,'' a multiple portrait of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis. A Warhold painting also failed to sell at Sotheby's gallery Tuesday.

The Sotheby sale sent the art world into shock when half the post- World War II artworks offered failed to sell. As a result, the sales total was only

$19.8 million instead of the $39.6 millionto $52 million expected by gallery experts.

Dealers attending the sale voiced the opinion that reserves - the prices agreed on by consignors and gallery experts as a fair market price - were too high to be realistic in an era of deepening economic gloom and the threat of war in the Middle East.

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#90312u1268 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

SAN DIEGO (NOV. 8) UPI - A lawsuit was filed against Southern California Edison Thursday, alleging its San Onofre nuclear power plant has caused environmental damage to the ocean.

The suit by Earth Island Institute, based in San Francisco, seeks unspecified damages for Edison's alleged violations of the permits that allow it to use seawater to cool the three San Onofre reactors and discharge it back into the Pacific.

The suit also seeks to force Edison to take steps to stop the alleged environmental damage, which has included the deaths of fish sucked into the reactors' intake pipes and damage to kelp beds by sediment stirred up by the plant's discharge system.

Earth Island's suit also demands Edison repair the alleged damage.

''Despite Edison's assurances to the contrary, substantial adverse ecological and environmental impacts have been occuring for many years through the operation of the nuclear plant and these adverse impacts continue to occur,'' the suit alleged.

David Barron, a spokesman for Edison, said the suit, which was filed in federal court in San Diego, had not been received by company officials in Rosemead, but denied that Edison was violating any state or federal environmental standards.

Charles S. Crandall, an attorney for the Earth Island Institute, said the suit was filed under a provision of the federal Clean Water Act that gives citizens the right to sue alleged polluters if government agencies fail to act.

Earth Island said its suit was based upon an exhaustive study released Sept. 6 1989, that concluded that San Onofre had dealt a blow to the marine environment.

''What needs to be done is either disconnect the plant from the ocean or find a way of preventing the ongoing damage,'' said Donald May, an Earth Island Institute member from Long Beach and a plaintiff in the suit.

The Marine Review Committee study, financed by Edison on the order of the California Coastal Commission, took 15 years to complete and concluded that 20 tons of fish were killed in the intake pipes a year and sediment stirred up by the discharge pipes hampered the growth of kelp by settling on small plants and reducing the amount of sunlight that reaches the ocean bottom.

The report recommended improvements to the underwater pumping system and construction of artificial reefs to act as barriers to keep fish away from the pipes and serve as rooting sites for kelp plants.

Barron said the study was still being reviewed by the Coastal Commission and Edison had not been ordered to take the mitigating steps.

''The study found only minimal impact upon the environment,'' Barron said. ''You would expect some impact from the operation of a large power plant.''

Crandall, however, said Edison was violating the discharge permits and should be held responsible.

''We recognize it's an expensive process but we feel the utility has been disingenuous in the way it handled this,'' Crandall said. ''They took the risk and they aren't willing to pay the piper.''

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(NOV. 8) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $12 to $14 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.65 cent to 1.05 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - unchanged to 1.45 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.40 cent higher to 0.13 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.70 to $1.00 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $2.30 to $2.50 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.70 cent to 2.75 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 1 cent an ounce lower across the board for a

5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.015 cent higher to 0.001 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - State Attorney General Robert Abrams announced a lawsuit Thursday seeking to bar the sale of two ''junk bond'' mutual funds in New York and restitution for investors who were allegedly deceived into purchasing them.

Attorney General Robert Abrams said that the two Manhattan-based funds, First Investors Fund for Income and First Investors High Yield Fund, had assets in June of $971 million and $640 million, respectively, and approximately 90 percent of which were in junk bonds.

The two have over 270,000 investors combined - with New Yorkers comprising about one-quarter of that total - making them among the largest junk funds in the mutual fund industry, Abrams said.

Abrams' suit, filed Thursday in state Supreme Court in Manhattan, accused First Investors of embarking upon a plan to sell junk bond mutual funds to the public starting in 1985 through a calculated series of misrepresentations and comissions.

Investors were told the funds were safe, the bonds were guaranteed, and that they would receive higher rates of return than they would at a bank, the attorney general said.

''These investors didn't realize that they were going into the riskiest sector of the bond market,'' Abrams said.

''These funds were sold primarily in people's homes by aggressive salespeople using a prepared script which greatly misrepresented the risks involved. They preyed upon investors who were unsophisticated in such matters and often didn't even receive prospectuses,'' Abrams said.

He added that the script included misleading words like ''safe,'' ''secure,'' and ''stable'' to characterize the high-risk junk bond investments.

''Many victims were of very modest means and could ill afford their losses,'' he said.

Junk bonds are non-investment grade or corporate debt securities, and First Investors bought junk bonds with the mutual funds using the money from individual investors, the attorney general said.

First Investors purchased some of the most speculative bonds offered and have recently performed in the bottom 10 percent of all such funds in rate of total return, Abrams said.

Also named in the suit were First Investor's brokerage firm, an investment advisory firm and the corporate parent, as well as four individual executives.

Thursday's suit resulted from a 15-month investigation into the sales practices used to market the funds, the attorney general said.

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ORLANDO, Fla. (NOV. 8) UPI - Harcourt Brace Jovanovich Inc. Thursday said lower interest expenses, higher revenues and reduced costs helped the company post a third-quarter profit of $57 million, or 73 cents a share.

The gain for the period compares with a net loss of $85.8 million for the period last year. The results for the previous quarter included a $127 million write-off, the company said.

Revenues for the quarter rose slightly to $476.5 million from $470.1 million a year ago, Harcourt said. An increase in publishing revenues was offset in part by a slight decrease in insurance revenues, the company said.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, Harcourt's net loss narrowed to $38 million, or 73 cents a share, compared with $244.4 million, or $4.05 a share, for the same period a year ago.

Revenues rose to $1.1 billion from $1.04 billion a year ago.

The company said higher revenues for the period reflect improved sales in both publishing and insurance. Harcourt said publishing revenues rose by $38 million for the period.

An 11 percent increase in medical books, international sales, college textbooks, test products, and other services offset a decline in elementary and secondary textbook revenues, Harcourt said.

Operating income from publishing was up $5 million, or 5 percent, for the quarter, and $33 million, or 33 percent, for the nine-month period, excluding the 1989 write-off of $95 million, Harcourt said.

Harcourt said its interest expense was signficantly lower for both periods, because of a smaller debt load. The company used proceeds from the $1.1 billion sale of six theme parks to Anheuser-Bush Cos. to pay down debt.

Harcourt said earlier this month it hired Smith Barney Harris Upham & Co. to explore alternatives for dealing with the company's ''highly leveraged financial position.''

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MIAMI (NOV. 8) UPI - The government secretly taped telephone conversations between deposed Panamanian Gen. Manuel Noriega and defense attorneys preparing for his drug trial, it was disclosed Thursday.

At least seven of the tapes were acquired by Cable News Network and the station began airing an excerpt from one of the recordings in the morning. Defense lawyer Frank Rubino immediately sought to permanently quash additional broadcasts by seeking a federal injunction against the all-news station.

At a morning hearing, an obviously angered U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler issued a temporary order telling CNN to refrain from using the audio tapes pending another hearing at 5 p.m. on Rubino's injunction request.

''Before I became a judge, as most judges, I became a lawyer and I hope I still am,'' he said. ''I can't conceive of the right of someone else to know what a defense lawyer and his client are talking about.''

A CNN attorney said the network would attempt to have the temporary order lifted.

After requesting the permanent injunction, Rubino said he planned to file a formal request for a dismissal of charges against Noriega because the former strongman's attorney-client right to confidentiality and his right to a fair trial had been compromised.

''We are absolutely shocked and horrified that the U.S. government would wiretap General Noriega and his lawyers engaging in the most sensitive of communications whatsoever,'' he said.

''Now at this point we have no idea as to what depths they have stooped to and whether our home phones are tapped, whether our homes are bugged, whether our cars are bugged or what other intrusions the government has entered into in their desperation to convict General Noriega.''

Assistant U.S. Attorney Myles Malman said the government had not heard the tapes and would have no position on the issue, other than to say the FBI was investigating to determine how CNN got the tapes.

President Bush, appearing before reporters to announce the resignation of anti-drug chief William Bennett, was asked about the Noriega tapes during a brief news conference in Washington. He said he was unaware of the reports and

therefore, would not respond to questions about them.

CNN attorney Dan Waggoner argued in court that the network should not be placed at the center of the controversy because the network did not make the tapes. He said network officials contacted the government about the tapes after they were acquired Wednesday night and, as in court, the government would not offer any input.

''I think what has happened is that General Noriega's argument with the government has been pinned on CNN and that should not happen,'' he said.

After the hearing, Rubino said that the excerpt he heard had a member of his office talking to Noriega about defense investigations into government witnesses. He said they were using a Hispanic secretary to translate their conversation and were ''naming names, naming witnesses.''

As a condition to having telephone privileges at federal prison, Noriega agreed to have the government monitor his conversations. But Rubino said the government was not permitted to record conversations that dealt with Noriega's defense.

Hoeveler asked the bureau of prisons to find out how many tapes of Noriega conversations there were and have them sealed. He also asked that further phone conversations not be monitored.

A 1988 Miami federal indictment against Noriega and 15 defendants charges them with providing a drug trafficking and money laundering sanctuary for South American drug smugglers. A simultaneous indictment in Tampa accuses him of conspiring with a smuggler to import more than a million pounds of marijuana.

He surrendered in the Dec. 20 U.S. invasion of Panama and was brought to Miami to stand trial, which is scheduled to begin Jan. 28. If convicted in Miami, he faces a maximum penalty of 145 years in prison and a $1.1 million fine.

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#90312u1292 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - Assistant Senate Democratic leader Alan Cranston announced Thursday that he is suffering from cancer of the prostate and will not run for re-election in 1992.

Cranston said he would not seek re-election to the post of assistant Senate Democratic leader or his Senate seat in 1992 because ''I must now concentrate on defeating this thing.''

''I look forward to two years in the Senate free of the burdens and perils of campaigning and fund-raising,'' Cranston said in a statement. ''I intend to make them years of great achievement for the people of California and the

United States.''

Cranston, 76, said that the cancer was first discovered during a routine physical examination and confirmed by a biopsy Oct. 15 at Walter Reed Army Medical Medical Center.

The California Democrat said he has consulted specialists in New York and will consult experts at Stanford University and Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore in the next few days before deciding on a course of treatment.

''The physicians tell me that the cancer is apparently totally curable, but immediate treatment is necessary,'' Cranston said. ''A positive factor is my otherwise robust health. Whether I face an operation or radiation therapy will be determined shortly.''

In adddition to announcing he will not seek a fifth term in 1992, Cranston said he will not seek re-election next week as assistant Senate Democratic leader, a post he has held since 1977.

Sen. Wendell Ford, D-Ky., planned to run against Cranston for the Democrats' deputy post.

Ford said in a statement, ''Alan has been a respected colleague for the past 16 years and my thoughts and prayers are with him for a complete and speedy recovery.''

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell said Cranston's support in the last two years ''meant more to me than I can readily express. Although I am saddened that he will leave the Senate leadership, I understand and support his decision.''

Mitchell added, ''I am glad the Senate and the state of California will have two more years of Alan Cranston's strong and dedicated service.''

A spokesman said that Cranston, whose statement said he needed ''immediate treatment,'' said the senator would be present to face the Senate Ethics Committee next Thursday when it opens public hearings into the case of the Keating Five.

Cranston is one of five senators facing charges that they brought pressure on federal regulators on behalf of Charles Keating not to close his Lincoln S&L thrift. The delay in shutting down the S&L is expected to cost taxpayers $2 billion.

Keating donated about $1.3 million to Cranston's re-election campaigns and to non-partisan get-out-the-vote projects that the California senator launched in his state.

The Senate Ethics Committee is scheduled to begin public hearings next week on the allegations against Cranston and Sens. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., John McCain, R-Ariz., Donald Riegle, D-Mich., and John Glenn, D-Ohio.

Cranston said of the 56 Democrats who will elect an assistant party leader, 19 senators had pledged their support to him and 19 more were uncommitted.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1034.2
Wednesday	1034.1
Week ago	1039.9
Month ago	1077.3
Year ago	1091.6
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1025.5

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(NOV. 8) UPI - Iraq's Saddam Hussein apparently has a short tigger when it comes to anyone opposing him. The government-controlled media reports that the army chief of staff has been fired, the third senior Iraqi official dismissed since the August invasion of Kuwait .

President Bush's outgoing anti-drug chief used his resignation announcement today to take a parting shot at one of his biggest critics. William Bennett lashed out at New York Representative Charles Rangel, who called the Bush administration's anti-drug battle ''a colossal failure.'' Bennett responded, calling Rangel a ''gas bag.''

The General Accounting Office is recommending that the nation's two remaining battleships be retired unless they are needed in Operation Desert Shield. Congress earlier ordered the Navy to retire two other battleships... the Iowa- heavily damaged in the 1989 explosion that killed 47 sailors- and the New Jersey. The Missouri and Wisconsin are still operating.

The U-S Catholic Conference reports that a poll indicates that abortions are performed almost three times more often than most Americans realize. Almost half of those interviewed said less than 500- thousand abortions happen each year. But the report says the actual number is closer to one-point-six-Million.

The man accused of raping a woman who claims to have 46 personalities testified at his Oshkosh, Wisconsin, trial today. Mark Peterson told the jury that he telephoned the woman the next day to apologize but got into a

conversation with a personality different from the one he is charged with attacking.

A copywritten story says a Pittsburgh woman has lost an eye after using eyedrops produced by a local pharamacy. The medication had been tainted by a drug used to treat arthritis. And the story indicates that several other people are in danger of blindness in Pittsburgh.

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#90312u1302 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

OTTAWA (NOV. 8) UPI - The Bank of Canada lowered Thursday its key rate by 12 basis points to 12.49 percent, a move that is expected to prompt chartered banks to lower their prime rates.

Gilles Loiselle, Canada's junior finance minister, told Parliament the government remained committed to restraining inflation, which has resulted in interest rates being pegged far above those in the United States.

''We do want interest rates to come down, but we want them to come down and stay down,'' Loiselle said.

Chartered banks set their prime rates about one percentage point above the central bank's rate. Late Wednesday, the Bank of Montreal surprised financial circles by lowering its prime rate one-quarter of a percentage point to 13.50 percent.

Canada's central bank has deliberately kept interest rates high to fight inflation, but the rates, as well as the federal government's massive debt, helped create an economic recession.

In recent months, corporate profits have plummeted, housing sales have virtually halted and consumer spending has dropped precipitiously.

In other economic matters, Canada's Finance Department reported Thursday the government's budgetary deficit for the first six months of the year was $10.6 billion, $3.0 billion lower than that recorded in the same period last year.

The improvement was attributed to higher budgetary revenues from personal income tax collections and collection of unemployment insurance premiums.

Budgetary expenditures in the first six months rose 8 percent.

However, increases in public debt charges indicated how unrealistic the government was in forecasting interest rates in its last budget.

Interest on the public debt, the largest single component of budgetary spending, soared 12.1 percent, in contrast to the 4.4 percent predicted in the

budget for the entire year.

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#90312u1312 11/08/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - The United States and Israel believe Iraq is ''some years away'' from developing a nuclear arsenal, but one expert outlined an accelerated, long-shot scenario in which Saddam Hussein could produce one warhead.

The possibility of such a nightmare, thought to be unlikely but something that cannot be dismissed given Saddam's history of impulsive actions, was raised by Leonard Spector, who is an expert on nuclear proliferation with the Carnegie Endowment for Peace in Washington.

To start, Spector explained that Iraq could seize about 25 pounds of weapons grade uranium supplied several years ago by the French for an nuclear power reactor. That amount is about half of what would be needed to build one nuclear device.

The plant was bombed by Israeli jets in 1981, but with Iraqi permission, the uranium has since been inspected each year by the International Atomic Energy Commission. But with the world allied against Iraq for its aggression in the Middle East, Hussein could deny inspectors access to the uranium and, at the very least, generate concern about his intentions.

This year's international inspection scheduled for Nov. 15.

''If they decide to seize that material, or deny the IAEA inspectors access this year, that could mean they decided to take the gamble. It would be very dramatic,'' said Spector.

U.S. officials suggest that such a high stakes move would be suicidal since a bomb could never be tested because Iraq would only have one.

Also, Israel, the most likely target of a nuclear attack from Iraq, is believed to have at least 100 nuclear weapons and has said it would use them to retaliate.

A more likely scenario, according to Spector and U.S. officials, is that Iraq will continue its apparent project to build a nuclear weapon from scratch.

That means mining uranium, refining it with Iraqi-built centrifuges and manufacturing a warhead for a ballistic missile. The Iraqis are mining uranium in the northern part of the country.

Such a device requires precise electronic switches and capacitors. Iraq tried to buy these, but the shipments were intercepted last year.

Also, a large munitions plant explosion this year may have set back Iraq's attempt to build a sophisticated detonator for a nuclear weapon, said U.S. officials.

Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens said this week, ''I believe it will take them a long time to achieve that (nuclear) capability.'' One thing that could accelerate that process would be the illicit transfer of technologies from other countries, he said.

Spector said he finds it disturbing that the Iraqis have been able to procure from other countries about 26 high-speed centrifuges, used to purify uranium into weapons-grade material. He said that if the Iraqis decide to build their own, by copying the imported models, they could then build another 1,000.

Spector said that a general rule of thumb is that 1,000 small centrifuges, working for one year, create enough weapons-grade material for one missile.

Then there remains the problem of creating the casing for the weapon. That requires a special high-temperature furnace of sufficient size. An Iraqi attempt to furnaces from a New Jersey firm was stopped by the U.S. Customs Service in July.

But the persistence and ingenuity of the Iraqi attempt to buy nuclear technology is worrisome to some U.S. officials.

The Iraqis have bought small American firms, using them as a front for purchases that are illegal for foreign governments. Iraq has even bought a share of an Atlanta bank to finance further attempts.

As part of the sanctions and diplomatic retaliation, the United States expelled Iraqi diplomats who were involved in the attempt to buy the technology, but it is known that other Iraqi agents, sometimes of other nationalities, are still shopping around.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 7) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	65 1-2	up 1 1-4
AT&T Company	33 1-8	off 1-2
BCE Inc	33 1-8	off 1-4
Bell Atlantic	51 1-2	up 1 1-8
BellSouth Corp	53 1-4	up 3-8
Exxon Corp	49 1-2	up 1 1-4
Ford Motor Co	26 5-8	off 1-8

Genl Electric	51	3-4	off 1-4
General Motors	x36	1-2	up 3-4
GTE Corp	28	1-2	up 3-8
IBM Corp	107	1-4	up 3-4
Mobil Oil Corp	58	3-8	up 1
Nynex Corp	70	1-8	up 1-2
Pac Gas & Elec	24	1-4	up 3-8
Pacific Telesis	45		up 3-8
Phila Electric	16	1-4	up 1-4
Sears Roebuck	25		off 1
Southern Co	26	1-4	up 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	54	1-4	off 3-4
US West Inc	36	3-4	up 1-8

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Thursday	2443.81	up	2.97	827.66	off	5.18	209.13	up	0.06
Wednesday	2440.84	off	44.31	832.84	off	11.28	209.07	off	4.02
Week ago	2454.95	up	12.62	831.92	up	9.62	215.61	up	2.33
Month ago	2365.10	off	42.82	823.96	off	11.47	201.96	off	1.64
Year ago	2603.69	off	19.67	1192.39	off	6.76	219.50	off	1.45
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2443.81	up	2.97
20 Trans	827.66	off	5.18
15 Utils	209.13	up	0.06
65 Stocks	861.02	off	0.73

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UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 8) UPI - The United States remains committed to overturning a 15-year-old U.N. resolution equating Zionism with racism, but

does not intend to push for a vote to repeal it at the current General Assembly session, a U.S. official said Thursday.

Diplomats said the U.S. reluctance to challenge the Arab and non- aligned voting bloc in the 159-nation General Assembly stemmed from the need to keep the coalition against Iraq intact until at least a resolution of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Instead, U.S. ambassador Thomas Pickering said he will not push for a vote until he is assured there is a majority supporting the repeal of the resolution.

Speaking at a conference hosted by the American Jewish Committee, Pickering said Israel agreed with Washington's cautious approach, feeling that ''a lost vote (in the assembly) would be a reconfirmation'' of the resolution.

Resolution 3379 was adopted Nov. 10, 1975, branding ''zionism as a form of racism and racial discrimination.'' The vote was 72-35 with 32 abstensions.

The present coalition against Iraq includes Arab and third-world nations that voted for Resolution 3379, as well as Western nations that vehemently opposed it.

Pickering's comments indicated that the Bush administration will not push for a repeal of the resolution at this year's General Assembly.

U.S. Vice President Dan Quayle had called for a repeal of the resolution when he made his first visit to the U.N. headquarters earlier this year.

But the ambassador said support for a repeal has been growing, especially because of the demise of communism in Eastern Europe. The ambassadors of Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland and Bulgaria spoke at the conference, saying their governments voted for the resolution in 1975 but no longer support it.

''Resolution 3379 was a black spot on the record of the United Nations,'' said Czechoslovak Ambassador Eduard Kukan, later adding that his government ''is willing to help repeal it.'' He noted that Czechoslovakia reestablished diplomatic relations with Israel earlier this year.

Sen. Daniel Moynihan, D-N.Y., who was U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations when Resolution 3379 was passed and led an impassioned opposition to it, said the resolution could be repealed now if the United States pushed for it.

He said that even the Soviet Union, which was one of the main supporters of the resolution, might now vote against it. He also said that many third-world countries voted half-heartedly for the measure because of their support for the Soviet Union.

''We could get these votes'' for a repeal, he said, adding, ''I don't know why we don't.''

The U.N. ambassadors of Germany, Italy and Great Britain also spoke to the conference, saying their countries opposed the resolution at the time and still do. East Germany voted in favor of the resolution but no longer has a seat at the United Nations following German reunification.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - As the peak ''plastic season'' approaches, consumers should beware of credit card fraud, a $500 million-a-year heist pulled by increasingly sophisticated thieves, experts said Thursday.

But while the cost of credit card fraud grows annually, many consumers are unaware of new laws to protect them and measures they can take to keep their credit cards secure, according to Elgie Holstein, director of the Bankcard Holders of America consumer group.

The latest figures available from the Federal Trade Commission's Office of Consumer Education shows credit and charge card fraud may cost card holders and card companies as much as $500 million annually.

Stolen credit cards account for much of the loss, but Holstein notes thieves need only the credit card number to commit mail order or false credit card application fraud.

Laws that prohibit merchants from recording credit card numbers on checks used for purchases have been enacted by 10 states, he said, including California, Delaware, Florida, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Virginia and Washington. Most of those laws have been passed within the last year, some not taking effect until January 1991.

''The basic point is that compared with a year ago there is a great deal of consumer and merchant sensitivity to the use of credit cards in non-credit card transactions,'' Holstein said.

Many merchants opposed the new laws, claiming the card numbers are used both for identification and to safeguard against bounced checks. But in pushing for the legislation, Bankcard Holders noted that the three biggest credit card comapnies - VISA, MasterCard, and American Express - prohibit charging a consumer's credit card to cover a bounced check, and that in most cases card numbers cannot be used to locate a person.

Holstein said some consumers have little concern about bank card fraud because they are only liable for a maximum of $50 in fraudulent charges and often pay nothing if they report a stolen card promptly.

''But it's also accurate to say that cosumers end up picking up the tab for credit card fraud anyway,'' through higher user fees and other costs, he said.

VISA has reported its credit fraud losses have risen steadily from $53.7 million in 1980 to $133.8 million in 1989. MasterCard losses were at $42 million in 1980, peaking at $74.3 million in 1986 and dropping to $50.8 million in 1989, according to Bankcard Holders figures.

Holstein said much of the fraud could be eliminated if marchants handling credit cards would more closely follow security procedures, such as matching signatures on IDs and credit cards.

The FTC and Bankcard Holders offer consumers these tips to guard against credit card fraud.

- Sign your cards as soon as they arrive and carry them separately from your wallet.

- Keep your card in view when you give it to a sales clerk to prevent him from making an ''extra'' imprint.

- Avoid signing blank receipts and draw a line through all blank spaces above the total when you sign card receipts.

- Offer your credit card for identification, but request merchants not write the number down.

- In addition to reporting stolen credit cards promptly to the issuer, also report them to credit bureaus to prevent thieves from applying for new credit in your name.

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#90312u1365 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Thursday - $44,660,000

1990 to date - $9,534,161,000

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#90312u1378 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 8) UPI - Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said Thursday it may become necessary to use armed force to compel Iraq to leave Kuwait and indicated Kremlin agreement with the U.S. approach to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Secretary of State James Baker, after separate meetings with Shevardnadze and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, also said the two superpowers had agreed

that use of force cannot be ruled out.

After their first two meetings, Baker and Shevardnadze held a joint news conference and then resumed talks Thursday evening, fueling speculation they could be outlining a possible U.N. resolution sanctioning use of force against Iraq.

''We may stay up late tonight continuing our discussion,'' Shevardnadze said before joining Baker and Gorbachev for their talks.

In all, Baker spent 13 hours in talks with Shevardnadze and at the end of the day's discussions, Baker telephoned President Bush from the U.S. Embassy, State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said. She said Baker and Shevardnadze had ''agreed to consult further.''

Shevardnadze said that Moscow and Washington still prefer a peaceful solution to the Middle East conflict, but he acknowledged it may take more than political pressure to end the 3-month-old standoff between Iraqi troops in Kuwait and a U.S.-led international force in Saudi Arabia.

''Concerning your question on whether or not the use of force can be excluded, probably it is impossible to exclude this,'' Shevardnadze told a reporter. ''A situation could arise that indeed demands such a decision. But I think all decisions should be made within the framework of the (U.N.) Security Council.''

The foreign minister said the United Nations ''has demonstrated sufficient maturity'' in responding to the Iraqi aggression and that ''this organization is capable of making a wise and reasonable decision.''

Before a 90-minute meeting with Baker at his country house outside Moscow, Gorbachev was asked whether Iraqi President Saddam Hussein should be given a deadline for withdrawing from Kuwait before possible military action.

''Thank you for a good question,'' Gorbachev responded with a smile.

Baker, who arrived in Moscow from Turkey late Wednesday, said that the United States and the Soviet Union had a clear understanding of each other's positions in the gulf crisis.

''We would prefer strongly a peaceful and political solution to this crisis, but we cannot rule out other options,'' he said.

Baker, on a whirlwind tour to assess support for possible military action in the gulf, held talks in Ankara with Turkish President Turgut Ozal on Wednesday after earlier stops in Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and Egypt.

Baker said that he and Shevardnadze had also agreed on the need for continued U.S.-Soviet cooperation in the gulf conflict and for full implementation of

U.N. resolutions imposing an international trade blockade of Iraq.

Shevardnadze was emphatic in affirming the two superpowers' common approach to the crisis spawned by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''I would advise against looking for some differences in the positions of the United States and the Soviet Union,'' he said.

After his meeting with Baker, Gorbachev made a similar admonition, saying that both sides demand Iraq's unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait.

''Nobody should count on cracks appearing in this common position,'' the official Tass news agency quoted Gorbachev as saying.

Gorbachev expressed appreciation for ''the readiness of the American leadership to consult (with the Soviet Union) regarding the situation and its possible development.''

Before starting more than five hours of talks with Baker, Shevardnadze said that employing force against Iraq would be ''undesirable.''

Baker and Shevardnadze huddled for 4 1/2 hours earlier in the day and then resumed talks in the evening after Baker's afternoon meeting with Gorbachev.

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#90312u1392 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 8) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	168.14	up	0.67
ASE Market Value Index	289.007	off	0.67
Dow-Jones Industrial	2443.81	up	2.97

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#90312u1393 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks -	9,460,000 shares
1990 to date -	2,937,534,015
Bonds -	$3,080,000
1990 to date -	$632,523,000

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#90312u1399 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 289.80, low 288.51, close 289.07, off 0.67.

There was a loss of 2 cents in the average share price.

Volume 9,460,000 shares, compared with 11, 100,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	6
New Lows	57
Advances	245
Declines	280
Unchanged	244
Total Issues	769

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#90312u1403 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday 40 points higher to 13 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	73.50	74.40	73.35	73.87	73.67
Mar	74.15	74.50	73.95	74.05	74.18
May	74.80	74.95	74.60	74.68	74.71
Jly	74.85	75.04	74.65	74.70	74.75
Oct	68.25	68.25	67.95	67.88	67.68
Dec	66.00	66.10	65.90	65.93	65.58
Mar	66.75	66.75	66.75	66.85	66.45

Estimated sales: 8,000 contracts

Open interest: 46,087 off 167

The World spot average: unavailable

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#90312u1404 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks -	155,570,000 shares
1990 to date -	34,328,361,712
Warrants -	1,237,100
1990 to date -	220,323,700

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#90312u1418 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	289.07	off 0.67
High Technology	290.29	up 0.37
Capital Goods	303.79	off 0.45
Consumer Goods	360.75	off 1.54

Service	625.58	off 4.61
Retail	881.82	off 1.65
Financial	345.10	off 0.01
Natural Resources	221.92	up 0.06
Housing-Const-Land	215.73	off 2.74

There was a loss of 2 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	374.30	up 3.56
Mid Atlantic	381.12	off 1.79
No Central	367.51	off 2.74
So Atlantic	794.97	up 1.40
So Central	291.87	unchanged
Mountain	106.00	up 0.91
Pacific	320.96	off 0.20
Foreign	217.54	off 1.37

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#90312u1426 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 8) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Thursday - 7,879,000

1990 to date - 2,148,439,000

The market closed slightly lower.

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#90312u1429 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - Health Secretary Louis Sullivan revealed that he would have listened to anything said by his hero, boxing legend Joe Louis.

With that role-model theme in mind, Sullivan made the studios at the Department of Health and Human Services available Thursday for baseball Hall of Famers Jim Palmer and Hank Aaron to film an anti-drug movie for Little League Baseball Inc.

The production is directed at the 2 1/2 million Little League players and their families.

Palmer pitched for the Baltimore Orioles in three World Series and Aaron is baseball's all-time home run king. In the film, the two discuss how to deal with a potential drug or alcohol problem.

''If somebody comes to you with a drug problem,'' Aaron says in the film, ''listen. Be patient. Offer to help. Make sure they know they can turn to you when they have a problem.''

Palmer, interrupting: ''Don't accuse them of being a bad person and don't cover-up or make excuses for them, either.''

Before the filming began, Palmer said he worries all the time about his two daughters, who take after their father and play girls' softball and other sports. ''I constantly worry about whether they'll succumb to peer pressure,'' Palmer said.

Aaron said he wants to let kids know tobacco or drug use will not make them famous. ''It's so important for all of us to make them realize that just because you see someone outside chewing or smoking, it doesn't mean you're going to be a star,'' he said.

Sullivan was thrilled that Little Leaguers would see sports stars in the film.

''Having heroes that they have identified with and looked up to gives (the film) a degree of effectiveness that a government official could never achieve '' Sullivan said.

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#90312u1461 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	336.37	off	0.43	330.60	454.07
Industrial	359.39	up	0.20	352.88	440.49
Finance	332.49	off	1.18	326.44	530.87
Insurance	404.24	up	0.19	385.29	543.66
Utility	452.99	off	2.98	449.83	722.67
Bank	240.88	off	0.18	235.25	432.68
Transport	375.98	off	2.92	381.32	475.71

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 147.67 off 0.19

Industrial Index 142.46 off 0.09

NASDAQ-100 Index 355.41 up 1.25

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#90312u1462 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Smthkline Beckmn	4,744,900	45 7/8	off 5 1/4
Alcan Aluminum	2,564,300	16 5/8	off 5/8
Browning Ferris	2,301,500	22 3/8	up 5/8
Houston Indus	2,298,800	36 1/8	up 3/8
Panhandle	2,122,000	10 3/4	off 1/8
AT&T Co	2,023,400	33 1/8	off 1/2
Waste Managemnt	1,876,900	32 1/4	up 3/4
Philip Morris	1,759,100	48	up 1/8
Citicorp	1,751,400	12 1/8	up 1/4
RJR pfwi	1,661,700	20	up 1
IBM Corp	1,619,200	107 1/2	up 1
Boeing Co	1,580,800	44 1/4	off 1/4
Genl Electric	1,537,200	51 3/4	off 1/4
Sthwestrn Pub Sv	1,527,200	28 3/8	off 1/2
C&S Sovran Corp	1,455,900	16 3/8	unch

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Contl Air Hldgs	485,000	2 1/4	off 3/8
Amdahl Corp	437,700	12 1/8	up 1/4
Energy Service	433,700	2 1/2	unch
Western Digital	424,100	4 5/8	off 1/2
Salomon wt93Jan	356,100	19 1/2	up 3/8
PW Group wtB	355,400	9 7/8	off 1/8
Denmark King wt	271,200	20 1/2	up 5/8
Wang Labs Inc B	229,700	2 3/4	unch
Societe Gen wt	193,900	3 3/8	unch
Salomon wt93Feb	191,800	20 1/2	up 1/2

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#90312u1467 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Thursday 355.41 up 1.25.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	219.30	221.80	218.50	220.50	219.35
Mar	222.70	222.80	221.00	222.60	221.80
Jun	....	....	....	224.90	224.10

Previous day volume: 105 contracts.
Open interest: 1,246 up 11

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	307.25	311.85	305.80	309.80	307.25
Mar	309.80	314.40	308.70	312.35	309.75
Jun	313.90	317.00	311.50	315.25	312.65
Sep	317.30	319.50	315.00	318.15	315.35

Today's estimated volume: 52,988 contracts.
Open interest: 157,689 up 640

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	167.40	170.00	166.65	168.90	167.50
Mar	168.80	170.70	168.75	170.10	168.70
Jun	170.00	170.00	170.00	171.35	169.95

Open interest: 5,693 up 208

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	513.00	519.70	510.00	515.75	513.40
Dec	514.50	521.20	512.25	515.75	515.40
Jan	519.00	523.00	514.25	519.75	517.50

Estimated volume 5,353 contracts.
Open interest: 7,873 off 4

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#90312u1483 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - The Treasury Department said Thursday sales of U.S. Savings Bonds increased 23 percent in October to $670 million from $544 million in September.

Last month's sales figure was also 14 percent higher than October 1989, when $589 million of the bonds were purchased by the public, and proved the best showing for the autumn month since 1986, the department said.

October redemptions, meanwhile, totaled $631 million, 17.5 percent higher than the $537 million redeemed in September and 15 percent over the $550 million of a year earlier.

The value of savings bonds held by the public increased last month by $651 million to a record $124.56 billion, the Treasury Department said.

The United States offers the bonds to raise cash to help pay its obligations, including interest on the nation's mammoth federal debt. The notes are ''backed by the full faith and credit of the United States.''

U.S. Savings Bonds held five years or longer earn a market-based interest rate which currently stands at 7.19 percent and which is changed Nov. 1 and May 1 each year.

The rate through the end of October was 7.01 percent.

Before Nov. 1, 1982, interest on the bonds was fixed. The interest is exempt from state and municipal taxes.

The government guarantees a minimum market-based rate of 6 percent on the bonds, which are sold through financial institutions as well as a payroll deduction plan in denominations ranging from $50 to $10,000.

The purchase price of a savings bond is equal to half of the bond's face value. For example, a $50 bond costs $25.

Interest on bonds purchased after Dec. 31, 1989, is also exempt from federal income taxes if the bonds are redeemed for paying tuition at a college, university or vocational school.

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#90312u1493 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - When most Americans attach a face to the death penalty, it's likely to be someone like serial killer Ted Bundy. Accused of dozens of grisly murders, Bundy's case wound through the courts for years before he was finally executed in Florida last year.

But according to two defense lawyers who frequently handle capital punishment cases, a more typical candidate for the ultimate punishment is poor, black and receives only cursory legal representation while being hustled through the courts on his way to death row.

''I am shocked and horrified by what I see in the criminal justice system, and I think that's not generally known,'' says Stephen Bright, director of the Southern Prisoners' Defense Committee in Atlanta since 1982.

He is particularly critical of the so-called Death Belt, the Southern states where most of the executions in the United States take place. Statistics show that a disproportionate number of those who are put to death are black.

''The criminal justice system in the South does not work,'' Bright said. ''It's an absolute joke.''

Bright and Bryan Stevenson, director of the Alabama Capital Punishment Research Center, were in Washington this week to argue a death penalty appeal before the Supreme Court. They took time out Thursday to talk of their frustrations with a criminal justice system they say weighs heavily against poor and minority defendants.

''The death penality is not Ted Bundy. It's part of it, sure. But in the big picture, it's a very small part of it,'' Bright said. ''Of course, most people would be very comfortable with Ted Bundy being executed. But that's not reality. If you look at what's going on in Columbus and the Ocmulgee Circuit (in Georgia), that's the real story of the death penalty. Twenty percent of the people on death row are mentally retarded.''

The lawyers said in many Southern districts discrimination against black defendants is commonplace, which results in a disproportionate number of blacks being sent to the death house.

In addition, the lawyers say some prosecutors and judges try to get political mileage by pursuing death penalty convictions against black defendants, particularly when the victim was white.

Says Stevenson: ''It's a very troubling thing to have to talk to a defendant about the fact that ... their race and their poverty is going to have much more to do with their being in the electric chair than any other thing about their situation.''

The defense lawyers, battle weary after years on the short end of public opinion, have armed themselves with some unsettling statistics:

-Ninety percent of America's executions take place in states that represent only 16 percent of the nation's population.

-In a landmark case before the U.S. Supreme Court challenging the fairness of the death penalty, studies were offered showing defendants were 11 times more likely to get the death penalty if the victim was white than if the victim was black.

-In the same case, statistics were offered showing that the defendant was 22 times more likely to get the death penalty if he was black and the victim was white.

-In Georgia, 71 percent of those executed were black, and 75 percent of those executed in Alabama were black.

-In Columbus, blacks were victims of 65 percent of the homicide cases but 78 percent of the capital punishment cases involved white victims.

''Being pro-death penalty,'' says Stevenson, ''has meant that we have become increasingly indifferent to the problems that are inherent in these statistics.''

Adds Bright: ''You have a process in which white people decide whether it's going to be a capital case. White people decide whether the death penalty is going to be imposed. Members of the African-American community at every level - judge, prosecutor, defense lawyer, whatever - are excluded from that process.''

A fundamental flaw in the Death Belt criminal justice process, the lawyers said, is the system of court-appointed defense attorneys who typically are paid $1,000 to $2,500 for a capital punishment case.

''If you spend the time that it takes, which is something like 800 to 1,000 hours on one of these cases, you will make less than the minimum wage,'' Bright said.

''What you really have is a system in which a lawyer can make more money flipping hamburgers in McDonalds than he can make trying a captial case,'' Bright said. The result, he said, is lawyers with little experience get appointed to handle complex capital punishment cases. In addition, the low pay encourages them to spend as little time on the case as possible.

''It is not unusual in the South to see capital cases that last a day or less '' Bright said. ''Any mistakes that are made by those lawyers, the lawyer doesn't suffer for it; the client suffers for it.''

He cited as an example the following terse closing argument a defense attorney presented in the death penalty phase of a Texas murder trial: ''You are an extremely intelligent jury. You've got that man's life in your hands. You can take it or not. That's all I have to say.''

''These are not a handful of horror stories,'' Bright said. ''This is pervasive. This is the practice.''

Stevenson said sweeping reforms are needed, but Americans are reluctant to tamper with the criminal justice system.

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#90312u1499 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.

20 Bonds	89.34	up 0.02
10 Public Utils	91.58	up 0.12
10 Industrials	87.11	off 0.07

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#90312u1500 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	30.20-30.30	30.50-30.60
North Sea Brent	35.95-36.05	35.95-36.05
West Texas Intermed	35.50-35.60	35.30-35.35
Light Louisiana Sweet	36.40-36.60	36.00-36.05
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	97.50-98.00	100.20-100.70
No. 2 Heating oil	92.70-92.95	90.65-90.90
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	91.00-91.50	91.95-92.45
No. 2 Heating oil	91.20-91.40	89.00-89.20

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#90312u1502 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 8) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	5885	off 75
Atl Rich pfA	883 1/8	off 16 7/8
Captl Cities	380	off 6 1/4
NCR Corp	53 7/8	up 5 7/8
Smthklne Beecham	45 7/8	off 5 1/4
SmthklneB eq	53 3/8	off 4 1/2
Coastal pfB	131	up 4
Hall F pfB	38	off 3 1/8
Textron pfB	43	up 3
Contl Bk pf	25	up 2 1/2

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#90312u1504 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2432.92	2468.81	2415.84	2443.81	up 2.97
20 Trans	830.07	843.75	822.49	827.66	off 5.18
15 Utils	208.12	210.64	206.43	209.13	up 0.06
65 Stock	858.73	871.35	852.06	861.02	off 0.73

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	18,610,000	17,513,300
Trans	2,186,000	2,558,600
Utils	5,382,400	4,017,000
65 Stock	26,178,400	24,088,900

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.34	up 0.02
10 Public Utils	91.58	up 0.12
10 Industrials	87.11	off 0.07

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 128.13 up 0.01.

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#90312u1505 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austral	.000195	.000192	5135.00	5208.00
Australia dlr	.7783	.7784	1.2849	1.2847
Austria schill	.0951	.0961	10.51	10.41
Belgium franc-c	.0326	.0328	30.68	30.53
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0090	.0090	110.58	110.58
Britain pound	1.9675	1.9730	.5083	.5068
Britain 1-mo	1.9577	1.9629	.5108	.5095
Britain 3-mo	1.9488	1.9451	.5131	.5141
Britain 6-mo	1.9207	1.9260	.5206	.5192
Canada dollar	.8558	.8606	1.1685	1.1620
Canada 1-mo	.8528	.8588	1.1726	1.1644
Canada 3-mo	.8471	.8532	1.1805	1.1720
Canada 6-mo	.8398	.8446	1.1907	1.1840
Chile peso-f	.003292	.003274	303.73	305.42

China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001875	.001875	533.34	533.34
Denmark krne	.1751	.1765	5.7100	5.6650
Ecudr sucre-z	.001184	.001184	844.35	844.35
Egypt pound	.3624	.3640	2.7592	2.7474
Finlnd mrkka	.2807	.2815	3.5630	3.5520
France franc	.2004	.2015	4.9890	4.9620
France 1-mo	.2001	.2012	4.9967	4.9697
France 3-mo	.1990	.2005	5.0250	4.9864
France 6-mo	.1985	.1995	5.0385	5.0117
Greece drach	.006617	.006667	151.12	149.99
Hollnd guildr	.5968	.5984	1.6755	1.6711
HongKong dlr	.1283	.1283	7.7965	7.7965
India rupee	.0556	.0557	17.99	17.95
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000539	1856.00	1855.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7955	1.8075	0.5569	0.5533
Israel shekel	.5099	.5051	1.9610	1.9800
Italy lira	.000894	.000898	1118.00	1113.75
Japan yen	.007707	.007813	129.75	128.00
Japan 1-mo	.007707	.007819	129.76	127.90
Japan 3-mo	.007666	.007843	130.45	127.50
Japan 6-mo	.007692	.007949	130.00	125.80
Jordan dinar	1.5555	1.5603	.6429	.6409
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000345	.000344	2902.00	2907.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6103	.6130	1.6385	1.6313
Norway krne	.1718	.1730	5.8215	5.7800
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0462	21.61	21.64
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	428,475	428,475
P'pnes peso-z	.0367	.0367	27.22	27.22
Portugl escud	.007646	.007696	130.79	129.93
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5859	.5881	1.7068	1.7005
S.Africa rand	.3960	.3977	2.5251	2.5147
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010678	.010741	93.65	93.10
Sweden krona	.1794	.1808	5.5750	5.5300
Switzrl franc	.8005	.8058	1.2492	1.2410
Switzrl 1-mo	.8004	.8056	1.2494	1.2413
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7999	.8048	1.2501	1.2426
Switzrl 6-mo	.7990	.8041	1.2515	1.2436
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0374	26.76	26.76
Turkey lira	.000367	.000367	2725.00	2728.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00

Venez bolivr-z	.0203	.0203	49.35	49.20
Germany mark	.6727	.6750	1.4865	1.4815
Germany 1-mo	.6725	.6749	1.4869	1.4818
Germany 3-mo	.6715	.6738	1.4892	1.4841
Germany 6-mo	.6697	.6720	1.4933	1.4880
Yugosl dinar	.0976	.0982	10.25	10.18

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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OTTAWA (NOV. 8) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis has taken the world closer to war than at any time in the last three decades, External Affairs Minister Joe Clark told Parliament Thursday.

''We are closer to war than we have been since Korea,'' said Clark, adding that the government is considering sending additional troops to the gulf.

The Korean war that Clark referred to ended in 1954.

Clark said economic sanctions imposed against Iraq, including a naval blockade in the gulf, so far have had no effect on the behavior of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

But, he said, sanctions were being applied to an ''extraordinary degree'' and were restricting supplies into Iraq. ''That indicates we have to maintain the pressure of sanctions,'' he said.

Clark said Hussein was trying to weaken the resolve of nations aligned against him by encouraging Westerners to visit Baghdad to secure the release of hostages.

Although Clark has already turned down an invitation from Hussein to visit Baghdad, other politicians, including some Conservatives, plan to leave for Iraq next week to plead for the release of Canadian hostages.

Svend Robinson, an elected member of the left-wing New Democratic Party, has already spoken with Iraqi officials in Ottawa about the trip. Some politicians who plan to travel to Iraq said they have insisted on being able to see the Canadian hostages and speak to Iraqi officials who could authorize their release.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Assets of the nation's 525 money market mutual funds

rose by $2.94 billion to $418.33 billion in the week ended Wednesday, the Investment Company Institute reported Thursday.

The Washington-based institute said broker-dealer fund assets increased by $608.5 million to $165.33 billion, assets of general purpose funds rose by $1.06 billion to $148.79 billion, and institutional fund assets rose by $1.27 billion to $104.22 billion.

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.38 percent, down from 7.42 the previous week, and 30-day simple yields were 7.42 percent, down from 7.45 percent.

The average maturity of fund portfolios rose to 49 days from 47.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.86 percent, unchanged; Super-Now accounts, 4.95 percent, up from 4.94; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.41 percent, down from 7.43; 1-year CDs, 7.50 percent, off from 7.52; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.60 percent, down from 7.63; and five-year CDs, 7.79 percent, up from 7.78 percent last week.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.16 percent, off from 8.17 percent the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.65 percent, compared with 9.67 percent, while the average rate for a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage eased to 9.96 percent from 10.01.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan rose to 12.22 percent from 12.10 percent last week.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.70	7.80	8.42
91-day Treasury bills	7.32	7.32	7.71
182-day Treasury bills	7.42	7.43	7.59
1-year Treasury bills	7.34	7.34	7.31
3-year Treasury notes	7.82	7.81	7.87
7-year Treasury notes	8.42	8.42	7.87
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.71	8.70	7.90

10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.15	9.15	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.80	9.85	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.15	9.16	8.91
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.38	9.38	8.85
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.54	9.51	9.09
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.52	9.49	9.07

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Cisco Systms	(CSCO)	78,099,232	33 7/8	up 3 7/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	60,963,308	34 1/2	up 1 1/4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	41,501,380	35 1/4	up 3/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	36,683,208	63 1/2	off 1/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	29,449,164	30	off 1/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	27,430,558	34 5/8	unch
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	19,202,584	22 3/4	up 7/8
St Jude Medcl	(STJM)	18,409,636	29 1/4	up 1 1/4
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	18,259,182	48	unch
Corestates Fnl	(CSFN)	18,125,584	26 3/4	off 3/4

Composite Index 147.67 off 0.19

NMS volume 80,989,600 shares.

Advances	676
Declines	825
Unchanged	1,291
Total	2,792

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - The Department of Energy Thursday suspended indefintely construction at its Argonne National Laboratory near Chicago, citing inadequate worker health and safety controls.

Suspension of construction at the government's massive research facility followed an intensive review at the site that turned up extensive shortcomings including improper disposal of hazardous waste, failure to draw up emergency plans and other deficiences by subcontractors and Argonne management personnel.

Suspended projects include building additions and other structural upgrades.

The department's decision does not affect the lab's touted high- energy X-ray generator that will be completed in two years. The project is managed by separate contractors and officials at Argonne.

In a statement, Energy Secretary James Watkins said construction activities at the lab ''will simply not be allowed to operate'' due to health and safety violations.

''Advancing the frontiers of science can and will be accomplished without compromising the health and safety of our employees and the public,'' Watkins said.

The department cautioned that problems at the plant, though serious, do not pose any ''immediate risk to public health or the environment.''

The violations ''do fall into the nature of an occupational health and safety hazard,'' said spokesman Robert Griffin.

Argonne spokesman Dave Baurac said, ''We weren't expecting (the suspension) but you recognize that it's always a possibility.''

Griffin said department investigators recorded 157 violations, ranging from a window washer who was not wearing a protective harness to emergency electrical equipment that was improperly locked.

''In this particular instance they encountered so many and such serious violations that the secretary said we've certainly got to close the construction down,'' Griffin said.

Baurac said Argonne officials had begun to implement health and safety reforms to meet DOE standards.

The 1,700-acre Argonne plant that employs 4,000 workers is located 25 miles southwest of Chicago. The complex includes 100 buildings.

The department's order marked the first time that construction at the plant had ever been suspended.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	106,907,700
Advances	795
Declines	1,008
Unchanged	2,414
Total	4,217

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(NOV. 8) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	15	11	12
New lows	93	109	135

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	814	79,488,700
Declines	672	54,511,900
Unchanged	498	21,569,400
Total	1,984	155,570,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	338.36	335.36	336.37	off 0.43
Industrial	361.73	357.78	359.39	up 0.20
Finance	333.67	332.11	332.49	off 1.18
Insurance	406.50	402.40	404.24	up 0.19
Utility	457.44	451.96	452.99	off 2.98
Bank	242.06	239.21	240.88	off 0.18
Transport	380.00	375.61	375.98	off 2.92

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes
(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	147.67	off 0.19
Industrial Index	142.46	up 0.09
NASDAQ-100 Index	355.41	up 1.25

(largest non-fin'cl)
Average price per share 7.65 off 0.01

Volume	80,989,600 shares
Advances	676
Declines	825
Unchanged	1,291
Total	2,792

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(NOV. 8) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	6
New lows	57

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	245	4,389,000
Declines	280	4,072,000
Unchanged	244	999,000
Total	769	9,460,000

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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA (NOV. 8) UPI - Alaska's new marijuana law is likely to go on trial before any pot smoker does, those on both sides of the debate predicted Thursday.

Before it is enforced, the Alaska Supreme Court - which threw out the old marijuana law in 1975 - will have to decide whether the new law passed Tuesday by voters violates the privacy clause of the state constitution.

''The first step is to defend the constitutionality of the law,'' said Laurie Otto, the state's chief prosecutor, adding she will ask the Legislature for $50,000 to defend the measure, which makes possession of marijuana a crime punishable by up to 90 days in jail.

Although the measure passed with 55 percent support, a leader in the recriminalization effort, Alyce Hanley, said, ''I realize it's not done by a long shot.''

Tuesday's election results still must be certified later this month - in fact, some remote Alaska precincts still must have their ballots picked up by bush planes - and the new law will go into effect 90 days after that, probably late February.

Until then, it is still legal for adults to possess up to 4 ounces of marijuana at home. After that, the first person arrested will become a test case for the new law, Otto said.

There were no plans for wide-scale enforcement, Otto said, because anyone arrested would simply have the case consolidated with the test case until the state Supreme Court ruled on the constitutionality of the law. That means it may be many months from now before Alaskans know what the true legal status of marijuana will be in the state.

Last time the law was challenged, it took 2 1/2 years to resolve the issue.

It all began when Irvin Ravin was arrested Dec. 11, 1972 for possession of marijuana.

On May 28, 1975, the five-member Alaska Supreme Court issued a 22- page ruling declaring that Alaskans' right to privacy outweighed society's interest in prohibiting private adult use of relatively harmless marijuana at home. The case legalizing marijuana is known as the Ravin decision. Ravin is a lawyer in Homer, Alaska.

People from around the state have called to volunteer to get arrested to challenge the new law, said Glenda Straube of Alaskans for Privacy, which fought the recriminalization move.

Otto said she will attempt to have the Ravin decision overturned by convincing the court that it was wrong in the first place and that since 1975, marijuana has become stronger and more dangerous and that it is a threat to the public health, safety and welfare, thus warranting police action to prohibit even private possession.

Far from quitting the fight after her election victory outlawing pot, just two days after the vote Hanley said she was already gathering materials, medical reports and preparing lists of possible expert witnesses to help the state defend the law.

Hanley said she always knew that the fight to make marijuana possession a crime in Alaska would be waged first at the ballot box, then in court.

Hanley is a state lawmaker, but was unable to persuade the Legislature to outlaw marijuana. Instead the Legislature set limits on legal possession, making Alaska the only state where pot possession was allowed. But possession by minors and sale of marijuana have always been illegal in the state.

Only one justice on the state Supreme Court in 1975 is still on the court - Jay Rabinowitz, author of the Ravin decision.

Otto said she would mount a full defense of the anti-marijuana law, but she said, ''I'm not predicting what the court's going to do.''

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#90312u1549 11/08/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	168.94	167.30	168.14	up 0.67
Industrial	208.42	206.35	207.33	up 0.79
Transport	130.62	129.33	129.33	off 0.39
Utility	89.29	88.62	89.12	up 0.38
Finance	110.36	109.58	109.85	up 0.71

Equivalent to a gain of 12 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 155,570,000 shares.

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#90312u1561 11/08/1990 ~United Press International
BY JIM ANDERSON

WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - Saddam Hussein is not a subtle man and he has a record of not reacting to signals he doesn't like and seizing on words that suit him.

Thus, as a blunt instrument of psychological warfare, President Bush announced the sending of additional forces, including elements of three armored divisions and naval units.

President Bush underlined the message to Saddam by an unprecedented statement saying that these new forces are in addition to the existing 230,000 troops who are there and will make it possible to give the United States ''offensive capabilities.''

The straight talk coming from the White House is in sharp contrast to the ambiguous, sometimes misleading messages given to Saddam before the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Just before that invasion - and perhaps contributing to Saddam's decision to undertake it - there was a series of limp declarations by U.S. officials that may have misled Saddam.

One of those messages, delivered in late July by U.S. Ambassador April Glaspie to Saddam in a private meeting, said that the United States did not take a position ''on Arab-Arab'' disputes. Saddam understood that to mean that the United States would not react to his invasion of Kuwait.

If he had any doubts about the U.S. vacillating policy, they were probably removed six days later when Glaspie's boss, Assistant Secretary of State John Kelly, was asked by Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., what the U.S. reaction would be if Saddam ''barged into Kuwait.''

Kelly's answer on July 31 was not the sort of language that would deter a single-minded dictator: ''Suffice it to say,'' Kelly said, ''we would be extremely concerned.''

Meanwhi;e, after 10 United Nations resolutions condemning the invasion and enacting an international blockade of his trade, Saddam still talks in interviews as if he represents the Arab world in a successful confrontation with the west and that he is not willing to talk about withdrawal.

His impression of a de facto victory is reinforced by a totally subservient press in Iraq and a series of fawning foreign visitors, anxious to go back home with as many of their national hostages as possible.

Thus, after three months of mixed signals and ignored U.N. resolutions, the the administration decided to send Saddam a blunt message he couldn't misunderstand: the new troops are coming as part of an invasion force.

Time is no longer on Saddam's side. By the nature of military deployments - given the expense and the morale and survival problems of months in the desert - a clock has begun to tick. If there is no response within several months, the U.S. troops will have to be used.

There are signs - including the replacement of the Iraqi chief of staff - that Saddam's military commanders are getting the message, even if Saddam is not. With some 300,000 troops, with enough aircraft to assure air superiority, the available Desert Shield forces were already sufficient to stop and reverse an Iraqi attack.

The new forces, with hundreds more advanced tanks, were obviously chosen to fight a battle, and not sit and wait for an attack.

State Department officials believe that the United States has sufficient legal power to move on its own in case, for example, a serious terrorist attack that can be traced back to Iraq.

Politically, it would be better to have the backing of the other members of the U.N. Security Council, which is what Secretary of State James Baker has been trying to line up in his trip through the Gulf region and Europe.

Admministration officials believe that the economic embargo against Iraq is beginning to bite, especially in terms of cutting off Iraq's source of hard currency, required for new arms and spare parts.

But they believe that it would be the remaining Kuwaiti population that would suffer first when the pinch begins to hurt generally; after that the Iraqi population; after that the Iraqi government; after that the reserves in the Army, then the elite units. And only then would Saddam and his inner circle begin to suffer. That could take years.

The message sent Thursday by the administration is designed to compress that time-span and fax a message to Saddam that has not reached him by regular mail.

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#90312u1567 11/08/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - George McDonald, president of the Allied Printing Trades Council, said Thursday that striking union members at the Daily News were willing to make the same sacrifices recently made by New York Post employees to save the newspaper.

"We will match what we gave the Post," McDonald said at a press conference at the New York Central Labor Council headquarters. "Management at the News should stop hiding behind demands for managerial freedom and start meaningful negotiations," he said. "We have asked them to tell us what they need to save the paper, and we have never gotten an answer."

In September, union workers at the Post accepted a four-day-work week equivalent to a 20 percent cut in pay and other concessions to keep the money-losing tabloid publishing. The News, owned by the Tribune Co. of Chicago has been negotiating without success for ten months with its unions, which struck Oct. 26.

Management has demanded freedom to reduce labor costs by $70 million - an amount it says is due to featherbedding and overstaffing. It also has accused the unions of violence, including burning of delivery trucks, tire slashings, and vandalism of News property and newsstands selling the paper.

McDonald denied any union involvement in violence and said the Printing Trades Council was investigating management's use of strike breakers as provocateurs to create violent incidents to embarrass the unions.

"We know it's going on," McDonald said. "Shady elements from outside the state have been brought in. There have been tire slayings and other violence. The violence issue has been distorted far beyond its relevance. The police have said the number of incidents were far less than reported."

The union chief charged that after having hidden for ten months, News publisher James Hoge had "come out of the closet" for a Wednesday television interview in which he "dropped all his old charges against the union and concentrated on just one issue, violence as he calls it."

"It's just an excuse for not getting the News out on the streets," McDonald said. He said the News circulation is down to 200,000, and claimed the unions' campaign to get New Yorkers to stop buying the paper and advertisers to stop buying space has been a success. He said the News had 600 advertisers before the the anti-ad drive began several months ago and now has only 40. We hope by next week that will be down to a dozen," he said.

McDonald said the point of the economic boycott was to force the Tribune Co. to negotiate or sell the News. He said the company was responsible to its stockholders, who may not be willing to lose any more money on the publication.

Labor attorney Theodore Kheel, unpaid adviser to the unions, said negotiations which reopend this week were "perfunctory" and there was no indication of any change in management's stand. Management and negotiators for the editorial workers and mailers met Wednesday in the presence of a federal mediator.

Meanwhile, Police and Fire Department investigators sought links between the firebombing of a Brooklyn grocery store and the Daily News strike, but said the incident may have been the work of neighborhood youths.

"Four or five kids were seen throwing somewthing into the store then running away just before the fire," said Lt. Frank Martinez, a Fire Department spokesman. "So right now we don't think it was a strike-connected incident."

Martinez said the owner of Saleh's Grocery and Deli, Saleh Zamzemi, told investigators a man walked into his store last Friday, complained that the News was being sold there, then walked out onto the street and started a small blaze. Martinez quoted Saleh as saying, "I haven't been selling the News, and I told him that."

Zamzemi was behind the counter when the firebomb was flung into the store at 876 Utica Ave., Flatbush, at 3 a.m. Wednesday. He said he saw four youths running away from the scene. No one inside the store was injured in Wednesday's firebombing, but three firemen were injured, one when he fell off a ladder.

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EL MONTE, CA (NOV. 8) UPI - Agricultural officials declared victory Thursday in the 16-month battle against the crop-threatening Medfly but said aerial malathion spraying will resume if the pest resurfaces.

The main message state and federal officials sought to convey in announcing their news is that the public can prevent future pesticide spraying by not illegally bringing infested fruit into the state.

''If the public does not become more aware, then ultimately, someday, we'll have another infestation,'' said Henry Voss, director of the California Department of Food and Agriculture.

The most recent Mediterranean fruit fly infestation began in the Elysian Park area of Los Angeles on July 20, 1989, one month after agricultural officials declared a victory over an infestation in West Los Angeles.

The widespread infestation was the longest in state history and cost more than a record $52 million to fight.

A total of 277 Medflies - only two in the past four months - were trapped over a 536-square-mile area of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

Thousands of gallons of malathion were sprayed by helicopters, angering residents and generating nearly 300 damage claims against the state, none of which have resulted in monetary awards.

The repeated sprayings, which ceased July 23, gave birth to several citizen groups that claimed the pesticide posed a serious health risk to humans.

Voss dismissed critics of the spraying program as ''self-appointed experts'' who ''used scare tactics instead of scientific facts to confuse the public.''

Jack Parnell, deputy secretary of the U.S. Department of Food and Agriculture, cited several studies conducted by government agenices that concluded malathion does not pose a health risk.

But Voss and Parnell conceded that, because of public concern, government officials are accepting suggested alternatives to widespread aerial pesticide spraying.

The state Legislature recently appropriated $750,000 to encourage private research of alternatives to malathion.

But Parnell warned, ''It's going to take time'' to develope an alternative, and said that in the meantime malathion and the release of sterile fruit flies intended to breed the Medfly out of existence will continued to be used.

Isi Siddiqui, the state agriculture official who directed the Medlfy project, said areas infested in the future will not be sprayed as many times because officials have increased the supply of sterile flies, with six times as many now available.

Parnell said the spraying program was necessary to protect California's $16 billion agriculture industry, which supplies 50 percent the fruits and vegetables grown in the nation.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Stocks closed slightly higher in moderate trading Thursday, losing most of the day's gains to a bout of nervousness among investors about the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which sank 44.31 Wednesday, edged up 2.97 to close at 2443.81.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index gained 0.67 to 168.14. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index added 1.60 to 307.61. The price of an average share rose 12 cents.

Advances led declines, 832-650, among the 1,985 issues crossing the Big Board tape. Volume totaled 155,570,000 shares, up from the 149,130,000 traded Wednesday.

Jitters about the Mideast held sway over the market Thursday and, while prices closed with slight gains, the market was volatile for much of the day. The Dow was up more than 18 points in early afternoon trading after the Treasury reported that the government's quarterly auction of 30-year bonds was well received. Yields declined on the bonds to an average of 8.71 percent on the final day of the refunding, the lowest since 8.50 percent Feb. 8.

"The bond market digested the refunding in very good fashion," said Don Hays, director of investment strategy at Wheat, First Securities Inc. in Richmond, Va. "We spent most of the day waiting on the auction and it looked okay."

But an hour before the close, those gains were wiped out by a wave of rumors about U.S. actions in the Mideast. Fanning the rumor mill was the fact that President Bush twice delayed his afternoon news conference.

Traders, suspicious that perhaps Bush wanted to wait until after the market's close before making an important announcement, took prices down, with the Dow down as much as 18 points. But a late bout of program buying helped prices recover, leaving the Dow down just slightly.

"There were rumors all over the place," Hays said, adding: "In general, there was very little going on, though. It was a nothing day spent waiting on the press conference and the auction."

After the market's close, Bush said he had approved an increase in the number of U.S. troops stationed in the Persian Gulf. He said the new troop deployment to the region - where an estimated 230,000 American soldiers have already been dispatched - is needed to "guarantee an adequate offensive military option should this become necessary."

Bush also said, however, that he wanted to see a peaceful resolution to the crisis, and Hays said he felt the market would focus on that when Friday's opening bell rings. "And with anything like a decent PPI (producer price index) number tomorrow the market has a chance of moving up here," said Hays.

Economists expect the government to report Friday morning that producer prices rose by 0.7 percent in October. Factoring out the volatile food and energy sectors, they foresee a monthly rise of 0.2 percent.

What Hays said traders seem to be looking to is next week's meeting of the Federal Reserve's Federal Open Market Committee, the panel setting interest rate policy. If Friday's report shows price increases under control, the feeling is that interest rates again may be on the way down.

"Everything points to the FOMC meeting next week and the possibility of lower interest rates," said Hays. "That's the magic elixir the market is waiting on."

On the trading floor, SmithKline Beecham was the most active issue, plunging 5 1/4 to 45 7/8 after reporting a drop in third-quarter sales. Alcan Aluminum followed, off 5/8 to 16 5/8. Browning-Ferris was third, up 5/8 to 22 3/8.

Among the blue chips, AT&T lost 1/2 to 33 1/8, but NCR surged 5 7/8 to 53 7/8 after reports that the company was discussing combining its computer business with that of AT&T. One possibility was said to be an acquisition of NCR by AT&T, which could cost more than $6 billion.

Elsewhere, IBM rose one to 107 1/2, Eastman Kodak added 7/8 to 39 7/8, and General Motors rose 3/4 to 36 1/2, while Sears sank one to 25 after reporting that October sales fell 1.2 percent and that sales at stores open at least a year dropped 0.4 percent.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 191,640,090 shares, compared with 181,272,080 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in light trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index lost 0.67 to close at 289.07. Declines led advances, 277 to 245, among the 770 issues traded. The price of an average share lost two cents. Composite volume totaled 11,071,000 shares vs. 13,200,500 traded Wednesday. Continental Air led the Amex issues, off 3/8 to 2 1/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 0.43 to 336.37.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	9.03	9.68
Anchor Fund Inv	14.09	14.95
Delaware Mutual	16.37	17.55
Fidelity Fund	15.80	15 80
Investor Mutual	10.58	11.14
Investor Stocks	17.55	18.48
Investor Select	8.29	8.73
IDS Equity Plus	8.50	8.95
MFS Growth Stk	7.65	8.25
Nicholas Income	3.02	3.02
Utd Accumulated	5.94	6.49
United Income	15.79	17.26
Vang Wellington	15.58	15 58

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - The Food and Drug Administration Thursday warned consumers to stop using a drug promoted as a "legal psychedelic," saying the substance has sickened at least 30 people in California, Florida and Georgia.

Health departments in those states have been working with the FDA to learn more about the drug marketed as GHB - for gamma hydroxybutyric acid - and the illness, which includes symptoms ranging from nausea and vomiting to severe respiratory problems, seizures and coma.

Gamma hydroxybutyric acid, also called sodium oxybate and gamma hydroxybutyrate sodium, is a chemical being promoted for strength training, body building, weight loss and as a replacement for L- tryptophan, a food supplement that the FDA ordered removed from the market last year after it was linked to a rare blood disorder.

GHB has been used in Europe with anesthetics and is being evaluated in government-approved studies for the treatment of the sleeping disorder narcolepsy, the FDA said.

The FDA advised anyone taking GHB outside of those studies to immediately stop. In addition, anyone who has taken GHB and is experiencing seizures, uncontrollable shaking, headache, unexplained drowsiness or other central nervous system disorders, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea should consult a doctor immediately, the agency said.

Doctors treating patients who have those conditions should report the cases to their local poison control center, the FDA said.

GHB, which is marketed as powder or granules, is sold through mail order outlets, health food stores, body building gyms and fitness centers, the FDA said.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - A study of people who underwent ''near-death experiences'' suggests many of the events are psychological, but the findings also could be used to argue some really have glimpsed an afterlife, researchers said Thursday.

On one hand, the study published in the British medical journal The Lancet found many people who said they had near-death experiences actually were never really in danger of dying.

But the study also found most of those who did almost die reported increased mental power at a time when their brain function would be expected to have been diminished, providing support for those who believe the events may be ''transcendental,'' the researchers said.

While the study neither proves or disproves proposed explanations of such experiences, the findings provide further support for the existence of the events and the need for more study, the researchers said.

''There is something very interesting going on here,'' said Justine Owens, an assistant research professor at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, who led the analysis.

John Sappington, a psychology professor at Augusta College in Augusta, Ga., said the study is ''a clue to the puzzle'' of such phenomena.

''The public wants to know, 'Is there an afterlife or is there not? Is there a soul or is there not?' I'm afraid there are certain questions science can't answer fully,'' he said.

Near-death experiences have been reported ''at least since the time of Plato'' and have been described increasingly in modern times as medical advances allow more people to survive close encounters with death, the researchers said.

The experiences include a variety of sensations, such as moving down a long tunnel, sensing a strong light, leaving the body, feeling strong emotions, reliving past memories and seeming to think and perceive much more clearly.

''Some commentators have claimed that these reports provide a glimpse of the existence awaiting us after death, whereas others have suggested that the experiences are the result of physiological or pharmacological states accompanying the process of dying,'' Owens and her colleagues wrote.

Regardless, psychologists are especially interested in the phenomenon because the experiences appear to have a powerful beneficial effect on patients, giving most a much better outlook on their lives, Owens said.

To investigate the reports, the researchers studied 58 patients who reported having near-death experiences by examining their medical records, interviewing them and having them complete written questionaires.

Medical records showed only 28 of the patients actually were near death and ''would have died without medical intervention.'' The remaining 30 patients ''were not in danger of dying although most of them thought they were.''

However, patients from both groups reported having ''closely similar experiences,'' bolstering the view that such events stem from psychological, not physical or transcendental factors, the researchers said.

Nearly equal numbers of patients from both groups, for example, said they felt like they had left their bodies and were seeing it from above and relived memories from earlier in their lives.

But many more of the patients who had actually been near death - 88 percent - reported having experienced increased mental powers and perceptions, compared to only 50 percent of the not near-death group.

In addition, 21 of the 28 patients who had been near death - 75 percent - reported experiencing enhanced light, compared to only 12 of the 30 - or 40 percent - who had not been near death, the researchers said.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock Split				
Lawter International Inc - 4-for-3				
Increased				
Lincoln Natl Corp	Q	.68	2-1	1-10
Scitec Corp	Q	.07	12-5	11-15
Extra				
Maytag Corp	..	.05	12-15	11-30
Initial				
Coscient Group	..	.02	12-21	12-6

Reduced				
Prudential Rlty Trust	..	.14	12-5	11-19
Wajax	..	.07	12-31	12-14
Distribution				
MFS Intermediate IT	..	.08 3/4	11-30	11-15
Usual				
Alexander & Alex Svcs	Q	.25	12-31	12-3
Allegheny Ludlum Corp	Q	.22	12-28	11-30
Apex Municipal Fund	..	.08	11-29	11-19
Arvin Industries Inc	Q	.17	12-31	12-7
Coastal Corp	Q	.10	1-1	11-35
Cooper Tire & Rubber	..	.06	12-21	11-30
Dow Chemical Co	Q	.65	1-30	12-31
Lincoln NC Rlty Fund	..	.15	12-11	11-21
Lomas Mtge Scrts Fund	M	.10 1/2	11-29	11-19
Louisiana L&E Co	Q	.25	12-14	11-30
Maytag Corp	Q	.22 1/2	12-15	11-30
MuniEnhanced Fund Inc	..	.0661	11-29	11-19
MuniVest Fund Inc	..	.0596	11-29	11-19
PaineWebber Group	Q	.13	1-4	12-5
Portsmouth Bank Shrs	Q	.12	12-15	12-1
Public Svc Co NoCaro	Q	.27 1/2	1-1	12-10
Putnam Global Govt IT	M	.13	12-3	11-23
Putnam Option IT II	Q	.27 1/2	11-30	11-20
Taurus MuniCalif Hldg	..	.0663	11-29	11-19
Taurus MuniNY Hldgs	..	.0675	11-29	11-19
World Income Fund Inc	..	.1096	11-29	11-19

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - The head of First Boston Corp.'s merchant-banking division announced plans to resign Thursday, a day after the troubled Wall Street firm laid off 45 traders and other equity branch staff.

''Bill Mayer has announced his resignation as of year-end,'' said a spokesman for First Boston, the U.S. securities unit of CS First Boston Inc.

CS First Boston is 44.5 percent owned by CS Holding, the Swiss parent of the bank Credit Suisse.

The spokesman, who declined to be named, confirmed reports that First Boston had let 45 staff members go from its stock trading branch in what he said was a reassessment of business lines in a tight market.

But he discounted news reports that hundreds of other dismissals were expected at the firm, whose balance sheet has been burdened by bridge loans from leveraged corporate deals First Boston has been unable to dispose of.

''There really isn't a target'' for the staff cuts, he said. ''We're looking at all of our businesses, assessing each one individually and trying to make sure customer demand is in balance with our capacity.''

First Boston's staff was cut by 600 earlier this year to 3,900. Reports said the new round of cuts would reduce that by 10 percent more.

The spokesman said Mayer, who took over First Boston's merchant- banking unit after stepping down in January as the firm's chief executive, considered that he was ''well along'' in resolving the bridge loan situation.

It was announced earlier this week that CS Holding and Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. would buy most of the Wall Street firm's $1.1 billion portfolio of unmarketable corporate bridge loans.

First Boston got stuck with the loans after the market for junk bonds, which were supposed to be issued to repay them, collapsed.

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BOSTON (NOV. 8) UPI - Massachusetts filed charges Thursday seeking to force a New York City firm to return $40 million lost over the past three years by more than 20,000 residents who were pressured into buying junk bonds.

The action against First Investors Corp. was announced by Secretary of State Michael Connolly and New York Attorney General Robert Abrams. New York officials believe residents of that state have lost as much as $50 million in the scheme, which may have caused an estimated $500 million in losses nationwide.

The complaint filed by the state Securities Division also seeks to pull the Masssachusetts registration statements for the funds, First Investors Fund for Income and First Investors High Yield Fund, along with the broker-dealer registration of First Investors, Connolly said.

The complaint charges that First Investors' salespeople deliberately misled customers into believing that the mutual funds were as safe as certificates of depostit (CDs) and involved little or no risk, Connolly said. But in reality, the funds were primarily highly speculative junk bonds, he said.

Connolly said First Investors used high-pressure sales pitches, targeting first-time investors.

''The complaint alleges that First Investors' relentless and blatantly fraudulent pushing of junk bonds mutual fund shares on unsophisticated investors did, in fact, defraud tens of thousands of Americans,'' Connolly said.

Connolly, whose office includes the securities division, said First Investors deliberately sought out those who could least survive the risks of junk bond funds, and those for whom the losses proved most devastating. Moreover, he said, the firm employed sales agents with little understanding in investment matters.

The employees were told to use ''boiler room'' sales pitches which they memorized and repeated verbatim, Connolly said. He said salespeople, reciting scripts they did not understand, made unsupportable claims about the high yields of the funds and their supposed safety.

First Investors has 30 days to respond to the charges.

Earlier Thursday in New York, Abrams announced a lawsuit seeking to bar the sale of First Investors' two junk bond mutual funds in New York and restitution for investors who were allegedly deceived into purchasing them.

Abrams said that the First Investors Fund for Income and First Investors High Yield Fund had assets in June of $971 million and $640 million, respectively, and approximately 90 percent of which were in junk bonds.

The two have over 270,000 investors combined - with New Yorkers comprising about one-quarter of that total - making them among the largest junk funds in the mutual fund industry, Abrams said.

Abrams' suit, filed Thursday in state Supreme Court in Manhattan, accused First Investors of embarking upon a plan to sell junk bond mutual funds to the public starting in 1985 through a calculated series of misrepresentations and comissions.

Investors were told the funds were safe, the bonds were guaranteed, and that they would receive higher rates of return than they would at a bank, the attorney general said.

''These investors didn't realize that they were going into the riskiest sector of the bond market,'' Abrams said.

''These funds were sold primarily in people's homes by aggressive salespeople using a prepared script which greatly misrepresented the risks involved. They preyed upon investors who were unsophisticated in such matters and often didn't even receive prospectuses,'' Abrams said.

He added that the script included misleading words like ''safe,'' ''secure,'' and ''stable'' to characterize the high-risk junk bond investments.

''Many victims were of very modest means and could ill afford their losses,'' he said.

Junk bonds are non-investment grade or corporate debt securities, and First Investors bought junk bonds with the mutual funds using the money from individual investors, the attorney general said.

First Investors purchased some of the most speculative bonds offered and have recently performed in the bottom 10 percent of all such funds in rate of total return, Abrams said.

Also named in the suit were First Investor's brokerage firm, an investment advisory firm and the corporate parent, as well as four individual executives.

Thursday's suit resulted from a 15-month investigation into the sales practices used to market the funds, the attorney general said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday the basic U.S. money supply, known as M1, rose $1.6 billion in the latest reporting week. But the broader monetary aggregate M2 dropped $1.2 billion, and the broadest measure of all, M3, decreased $3.0 billion.

M1, including cash, checking accounts and NOW accounts - money available for immediate spending - increased to a seasonally adjusted average of $820.0 billion in the week ended Oct. 29 from a revised $818.4 billion the week before.

Over the past 13 weeks, M1 averaged $819.1 billion, up 5.6 percent from where it stood over the previous 13-week period, the central bank said.

The more broadly defined M2 averaged an estimated $3,316.5 billion in the latest week, off from a revised $3,317.7 billion. M2 includes M1 plus passbook savings, small time deposits such as money-market deposit accounts, consumer money-market mutual funds and other short-term assets.

M3, defined as M2 plus large time deposits, securities repurchase agreements at banks and thrifts lasting longer than one day and institutional money-marketfunds, averaged $4,087.3 billion in the latest week, down from a revised $4,090.3 billion, the Fed said.

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(NOV 8) - Snow storms eased over New Mexico Thursday after dumping more than 9 inches while fierce winds whipped Alaska and temperatures plummeted.

A winter storm warning was lifted for the south-central mountains of New Mexico. Nine and a half inches of snow covered the Quemado Lake area.

An advisory for strong winds causing blowing and drifting snow was posted over the southeast mountains of Wyoming. Winds gusted to 50 mph and 60 mph across the southeast mountains of Wyoming.

A high wind warning was posted for Kodiak, Alaska, with winds gusting at nearly 75 mph. Fairbanks had 6 degrees below zero and Delta cooled to 23 degrees below zero with unofficial temperatures dropping to 35 degrees below zero.

Elsewhere, rain and occasional thundershowers reached over much of Texas, Oklahoma, northwest Louisiana, southern Arkansas, the eastern half of Kansas, northwest Missouri and southern Iowa.

Very moist warm air from the Gulf of Mexico confronted colder air moving in from the west in central Texas, bringing steady rain to the region and prompting flood warnings for the Rio Grande plains, Austin, the hill country and much of south-central Texas.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - The Pentagon ordered a major escalation of the U.S. military presence in Saudi Arabia Thursday, deploying more than 100,000 troops aimed at fighting a ground war.

But the massive military buildup suggested any conflict with Iraq might not occur until after the first of the year because it will take at least that long to complete the new deployment.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, without specifying the total number of forces being activated, announced that the number of aircraft carriers would be doubled to six, the number of Marines in the region could be doubled, and well over 50,000 Army ground forces - many equipped with the M-1A1 main battle tank were being deployed from both Europe and the United States.

The deployment will boost U.S. forces from the current level of more than 230,000 to perhaps 350,000 when completed. The new U.S. deployment would compliment a force of 200,000 international troops already in the country.

Officials did not rule out additional deployments.

While Cheney declined to reveal the exact size of the deployment, he did say

the entire move would not be finished by the first of next year, a suggestion that a decision to commit the forces to combat would not be made until then.

''After Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, we said our deployment would continue as long as necessary, and I am today announcing the next deployments in that flow. We continue to hope that the crisis in the Gulf can be resolved peacefully. But as these new U.S. forces come into place, they will clearly give us additional offensive capablity, should it be needed,'' said Cheney.

Asked if the troops could be in place and combat ready by the first of the year, Cheney said, ''I would think it would be after that.''

''We are continuing the buildup with those sorts of heavy units uniquely qualified, trained and equipped to operate in this type of terrain. ... This additional corps sized element that is going in does provide (U.S. commander Gen. Norman) Schwarzkopf offensive capability in addition to the forces he has now which have some offensive capability.

''Whether it will be adequate in the event we are going to war with Saddam Hussein's army, I'm not going to make a judgment now because we're not planning to go to war with Saddam Hussein's army ... So i'm not going to speculate on what the final correlation of forces might be, '' said Powell.

The newest deployment included a minimum of 50,000 Army personnel, 40,000 Marines and 16,500 Navy personnel for a minimum of 106,500. However, an additional unspecified number of Army support and headquarters units are also being dispatched.

Cheney, a Cold Warrior who was chided for his reluctance to accept the end of tensions in Europe, noted the changed political climate made it possible to pull troops out of Europe. Congress also has ordered troop reductions in Europe, and also has chided the Pentagon for not activating National Guard units.

The latest deployment is believed to bring with it roughly 600 more M-1A1 and M-1 main battle tanks.

Some 600 are enroute from war stocks in Europe, and U.S. forces already deployed to Saudi Arabia are believed to have roughly 600 to 800 tanks in place. Allied forces are believed to have another 1,000 tanks in Saudi Arabia.

Iraq has about 5,500 tanks, but the best are an older Soviet design and armor experts say are not really a match for the more modern Western forces. Only about 2,500 are believed to be in the theater.

Active duty Army forces ordered to Saudi Arabia include the European- based 1st Armored Division, 3rd Armored Division, a brigade-sized unit of the 2nd Armored Divison along with the 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment. Divisions have

anywhere from about 13,000 to 16,500 personnel. Also dispached were the 1st Infantry Division mechanized from Fort Riley, Kansas, also a tank unit. The Pentagon also said a variety of combat support and combat service support units from both the United States and Europe were being dispatched to the region, along with the 2nd Corps support command and the Vii Corps headquarters.

The Guard units activated included the 48th Infantry Brigade, mechanized, a tank-unit from Georgia designed to fill out the needs of the 24th Infantry Division, the 155th Armored Brigade from Mississippi, assigned to the 1st Cavalry, another tank unit, and the 256th Infantry Brigade, mechanized, assigned to the 5th Infantry Division which has not yet been activated for the Gulf conflict. Brigades usually have as many as 2,000 personnel.

Three additional aircraft carriers, each typically carrying about 5, 000 sailors, plus an undisclosed number of escort ships are being activated, as is the 1,500-man battleship Missouri, which will join the only other active battleship, the Wisconsin. The Wisconsin is in the Persian Gulf and recently test-fired its 16-inch guns. It too will have escort vessels and Amphibious Group Three, a small number of support vessels from San Diego, Calif., also will be dispatched to the region.

Each carrier typically has a force of at least 70 aircraft, including a mix of fighters, bombers and electronic warfare and radar surveillance planes.

Marine units with up to 40,000 personnel assigned to them are being sent, which would more than double the number of Marines available for launching amphibious operations against either Kuwait City or Iraq itself. They include the 2nd Marine Expeditionary Force from Camp Lejeune, N.C., the 5th Marine Expeditionary Brigade from Camp Pendleton, Calif., and Marine Prepositioning Ship Squadron 1 from Norfolk, Va.

Cheney said additional Air Force units might also be sent to Saudi Arabia.

Both Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said they wanted the National Guard combat units to train in the desert and be evaluated before a decision is made to send them to Saudi Arabia or keep them in reserve in the United States.

''I want to be absolutely certain that before we send combat units drawn from the guard and reserve, that they have had the opportunity for the additional training and workup that our people think is required, so that they would be prepared to operate in the environment they would be sent into,'' said Cheney in announcing the guard units will go to the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, Calif., a desert outpost.

''We have limited logistical capability. I am not eager to send units that are not ready. I want to make absolutely certain that before I make a decision to

send someone to the gulf that they are part of a unit that is prepared for whatever they may encounter over there,'' he said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Moody's Investors Service announced Thursday the downgrading of its credit rating on first mortgage bonds for the Trump Plaza casino-hotel in Atlantic City, citing ''deteriorating operating performance.''

The rating agency also said that if there is no improvement in results at the gambling house, one of three owned by troubled developer Donald Trump, it may not produce enough cash to make a $25 million bond payment due in June.

It also concluded that all Trump's casinos will need ''some form of near-term debt restructuring,'' resulting in losses to bondholders.

Another Trump casino bond issue, that of the Taj Mahal Casino opened in April to much fanfare, is also in trouble. There are doubts about Trump's ability to make a $47.3 million interest payment on the bonds due Nov. 15.

The solvency of Trump's debt-laden financial empire was threatened last June when he was forced to obtain a $65 million bailout package from bank creditors to meet payments on bonds for his Trump's Castle casino.

Moody's downgraded the first mortgage bonds of Trump Plaza Funding to B3 from B2. Both ratings are in the speculative, ''junk'' bond range.

Moody's said ''lower-than-expected market growth in Atlantic City, coupled with intense competition between casinos and adverse publicity associated with Donald Trump's financial difficulties'' have badly hurt the casino.

''Despite the property's central location along the Atlantic City Boardwalk, Moody's does not expect Trump Plaza to achieve any significant improvement in earnings and cash flow over the intermediate term,'' it said.

In another development, New York State authorities told Trump he could not sell any more condominium units at his Trump Palace high-rise in Manhattan unless he proved he could meet monthly building costs.

Asian investors complained to the state attorney general's office that Trump was withholding information about his financial circumstances and wanted their contracts to buy units rescinded, the New York Times said.

The attorney general's office told the developer that he could not close any condominium sales unless he proved he had enough cash to pay common charges, real estate taxes and other operating costs of the structure.

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PROVIDENCE, R.I. (NOV. 8) UPI - A Roman Catholic priest once accused of lying to bolster the attempted-murder defense of socialite Claus von Bulow was indicted Thursday on charges he stole $200,000 from his parish and used it to support a lavish lifestyle.

The Rev. Philip Magaldi, who served as head of St. Anthony's parish in North Providence from 1976 to May 1988 and now heads a parish in Henrietta, Texas, is charged with 11 counts alleging embezzlement, larceny and forgery. He faces 83 years in prison and $23,000 in fines if convicted.

''Our investigation determined that Father Magaldi regularly skimmed money from the weekly church collections and embezzled funds from several parish accounts, using the money to purchase lottery tickets, to pay for vacations and for other personal expenses,'' said state Attorney General James O'Neil.

Magaldi, 54, is best known in Rhode Island for a sworn statement he gave in support of von Bulow, a Danish jetsetter who was acquitted after a second trial on charges he twice tried to kill his wife, Martha ''Sunny'' von Bulow, in their Newport mansion.

Magaldi was indicted in 1985 on perjury and obstruction charges for allegedly lying in the statement, but the charges were dropped in June 1987 for lack of evidence.

O'Neil also announced that a former part-time employee of the parish, Robert Graham Jr. of North Providence, had been indicted on charges he embezzled about $58,000 in church money.

There was insufficient evidence to indicate Magaldi and Graham conspired together, O'Neil said. The two are to be arraigned on Nov. 28.

The prosecutor said the indictment alleges Magaldi told a church volunteer in charge of Sunday collections at the parish to give him several hundred dollars a week.

Even after Magaldi left the parish to study Spanish in Texas, he allegedly continued to have the woman, Joan Conway, send him money. Conway trusted Magaldi and did not suspect he was stealing money, O'Neil said, adding she will not face any charges and will serve as a witness against the priest.

Magaldi, who began as pastor of St. Anthony's in 1976, is alleged to have embezzled the $200,000 from 1985 to 1988.

He allegedly used the embezzled money to take trips to such places as the Virgin Islands and Montreal, give presents to friends, and buy Massachusetts

and Rhode Island lottery tickets, said Assistant Attorney General Walter Gorman.

He is now pastor of St. Mary's Church in Henrietta, Texas, but is not responsible for the allocation or depositing of funds, Gorman said.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 8) UPI - Damage caused by the fire at Universal Studios was estimated Thursday at a minimum of $8 million but could reach up to $25 million, but the figures were far lower than initial estimates.

The studio and parent MCA Inc., in the midst of talks on an acquisition by a Japanese suitor, have so far refused to provide any damage estimates from Tuesday night's blaze.

But Sgt. Dale Underwood of the county sheriff's department's arson squad said investigators have estimated the blaze resulted in at least $8 million worth of damage. He cautioned this figure was preliminary.

Meanwhile, Steven Hill, an entertainment industry analyst with Sutro & Co. of San Francisco, said it appeared to him that the damage ''was clearly not as much as had been initially expected.''

''I think $25 million is a good estimate,'' Hill said.

The three-hour fire burned both several movie sets on the sprawling 420-acre back lot and part of the studio tour, but it was contained before damaging the valuable Universal film library vault.

MCA has said that it plans to rebuild the sets and that the damage is covered through insurance policies. Production on ''Oscar,'' a film starring Sylvester Stallone, was halted, but the studio tour continued Wednesday and Thursday with turnout called normal by spokeswoman Joan Bullard.

MCA's stock, which had fallen $1.50 on Wednesday following news of the fire, rebounded sharply Thursday as reports on the amount of damage surfaced to close up $2 a share at $63.50 on the New York Stock Exchange.

Jeffrey Logsdon, entertainment analyst with Crowell Weedon & Co. of Los Angeles, agreed that a $25 million estimate is ''a good number.''

Analysts said the rebound in the price of MCA stock also reflected investors' growing belief that the pending buyout of MCA by Japan's Matsushita Electric Industrial is likely to be completed soon.

''I think there are strong motivations on both sides to complete the

transaction by the end of the year,'' Logsdon said. Analysts have said that the deal is likely to go through at a negotiated price ranging between $75 to $80 a share - about $7 billion in all.

Underwood said investigators spent Thursday combing the charred site for evidence, but he refused to discuss details of what they may have discovered about how and where the fire was started.

But Underwood said there is ''no doubt'' the fire was deliberately set.

In a related development, bail for the Universal Studios security guard arrested for allegedly sparking the fire has been reduced to $300, 000 from $1 million.

Michael J. Huston, 40, of Tujunga, was arrested at Universal Studios shortly after dawn Wednesday. His bail was cut Wednesday following a hearing before a bail commissioner, sheriff's Deputy Rich Erickson said.

A spokesman, Deputy Larry Mead, said Huston was scheduled to be arraigned Friday in Beverly Hills. However, there was no immediate word from the District Attorney's office on what charges Huston faces.

Mead would not say whether additional suspects are being sought but noted that investigators have not ruled out the possibility of an accomplice.

Huston, who was on duty at the time the fire started, was questioned as a matter of routine, Underwood said. He became a suspect after authorities found discrepancies in his answers, said Underwood, who would not elaborate.

Underwood confirmed investigators are looking into the background of Huston, who, according to his half brother, has been mentally disabled since serving in the Army in Vietnam in 1969.

Authorities have not uncovered any previous arson arrests for Huston, and information about any possible criminal record remained incomplete Thursday, Underwood said.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 8) UPI - California's winemakers are breathing a sigh of relief over the defeat of a state ballot measure that would have hiked alcohol taxes by the equivalent of a nickel-a-drink.

State voters Tuesday overwhelmingly rejected Proposition 134, which would have channeled funds to alcohol-related medical and educational programs. Voters also rejected an industry-sponsored alternative, Proposition 126, that would have raised alcohol taxes by just a penny a drink.

Some vintners were glad both measures failed, leaving the state's alcohol excise tax, at one penny a gallon, the lowest in the nation.

''Like most of the wine industry, I'm pleased we weren't hit with a tax increase,'' said Carolyn Wente, vice president of Wente Bros. winery in Livermore, Calif. ''I think quite a few people were celebrating.''

Winemakers remained worried, however, that the specter of a large state tax increase is likely to come up again.

''We are concerned that we will continue to be looked on as a source of revenue,'' said Frank Woods, chairman of the Wine Institute, an industry trade group. ''We can't just bury our heads in the sand and assume that because we won a victory this year we won't have to come back and face this again.''

Winemakers already have contend with the impact on sales of a steep increase in the federal excise tax on alcohol, which was included in the budget compromise approved by Congress earlier this month. That increase, will hike the federal tax on a gallon of wine from 17 cents to $1.07.

''That is a real, major hit for the wine industry and it is going to cause a great deal of impact, including a loss of jobs,'' Woods said. ''It's the type of thing we don't need.''

Despite the fact that it would have raised state taxes, Woods said he was disappointed that Proposition 126 failed because it represented a ''reasonable'' response to the argument that California's alcohol excise tax was not adequate.

''We felt that was a reasonable and proper way for our industry to participate in the generation of revenue in this state,'' he said.

But Wente said with the failure of Prop. 134, it was just as well that 126 failed as well, leaving the wine industry without any added tax burden.

''That (Proposition 126) was offered as an alternative to Prop. 134,'' she said. ''Quite frankly I think it would shooting ourselves in the foot to say we want to have a tax increase. I think that's absolutely absurd.''

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - Cotton growers are harvesting a crop of 14.9 million bales, including a record 1.2 million bales in Louisiana, the government said Thursday in raising its estimate of the U.S. crop by 2 percent.

''Beneficial weather prevailed during the month, aiding crop development,''

the Agriculture Department said in its November crop report.

This year's crop was forecast to be 22 percent larger than last year, due mainly to 21 percent increase in acreage to 11.5 million acres. Yields were forecast for 622 pounds an acre, eight pounds more than last year.

The estimate included 14.5 million bales of upland cotton, 500,000 more than last month, and 397,000 bales of American-Pima cotton, 25,000 less than one month ago.

A bale of cotton weighs 500 pounds. The 1989 crop totaled 12.2 million bales.

The Delta states of Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri and Tennessee - hit by dry weather in September - were projected to grow 4.82 million bales, up 4 percent from the October estimate and 20 percent more than last year.

''The current production level for Louisiana represents a record,'' the department said, raising the estimate to 1.2 million bales, a 100,000 bale increase.

Production in the Southeast - Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina - was upgraded 7 percent from last month, to 1.17 million bales. That would be 11 percent larger than last year. The Southeast had a dry summer and fall.

Western growers were estimated to grow 3.56 million bales, down 10,000 bales from last month but 5 percent more than last year. Yields, pegged at 1,192 pounds an acre, are 28 pounds lower than 1989.

Texas and Oklahoma were projected to grow 4.94 million bales, 3 percent more than in October and 63 percent larger than 1989.

Growers harvested 15.4 million bales in 1988 and 14.8 million bales in 1987. Fields yielded a record 706 pounds an acre in 1987.

The department's estimates, based on Nov. 1 conditions, of upland cotton production, in thousands of bales, for major states, compared with the September estimate and 1989 production:

State	Nov.	Oct.	1989
Ala.	380	380	390
Ariz.	830	900	660
Ark.	1,050	1,050	850
Calif.	2,650	2,600	2,650
Ga.	350	300	350
La.	1,200	1,100	875
Miss.	1,800	1,700	1,560
Mo.	280	280	269

N.M.	80	80	80
N.C.	260	240	140
Okla.	340	300	180
S.C.	145	145	155
Tenn.	490	500	473
Texas	4,600	4,500	2,900

Estimates as of Nov. 1 of extra-long staple American-Pima cotton production in leading states, with 1989 production shown in parantheses, included 210,000 (455,000) bales in Arizona, 30,000 (42,000)bales in New Mexico and 100,000 (128,000) bales in Texas.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 8) UPI - The new orange crop, led by a robust recovery in Florida from last winter's devastating freeze, will fill 231 million boxes, 24 percent more than last season, the government said Thursday.

The Christmas weekend freeze knifed into production in the South and dramatically reduced the U.S. citrus crop. The Agriculture Department says Texas groves were damaged so severely this year's crop was virtually wiped out.

Oranges are the dominant U.S. citrus crop and Florida is the No. 1 orange state, producing about two-thirds of the nation's total. Last season's crop totaled 186 million boxes, 11 percent smaller than the 1988-1989 crop.

The department projected Florida would harvest 165 million boxes of oranges, up 50 percent from last year. Early and mid-season varieties were projected for 95.2 million boxes, up 40 percent. Valencia production was pegged at 70 million boxes, up 66 percent.

''The current fruit crop is in good condition with the early fruit well matured,'' it said with harvest of oranges, tangerines, grapefruit and tangelos under way.

California growers were estimated to harvest 64 million boxes, down 12 percent from last season. The new crop was projected to include 40 million boxes of navel oranges, 9 percent less than last season, and 24 million boxes of Valencias, 4 percent less.

Navel harvesting has begun ''with color and maturity developing slowly,'' the department said.

Frozen concentrated juice yield from Florida oranges was estimated at 1.52 gallons per box, up markedly from last season's 1.23 gallons per box. The low yield is a sign of freeze losses. The record is 1.55 gallons, set in 1987-1988.

In October, the government forecast the U.S. grapefruit crop for 56.6 million boxes, 30 percent more than last season.

Florida's grapefruit harvest was projected for 50.5 million boxes, up 41 percent from last season. California was estimated to harvest 3.9 million boxes of desert grapefruit. Production from other parts of the state will not be estimated until April.

Citrus measurements vary from crop to crop and from state to state. For example, California and Arizona orange boxes are 75 pounds each. Florida orange boxes weigh 90 pounds each.

Value of last season's citrus crop was $2.24 billion, 16 percent less than the preceding season.

Here are Agriculture Department citrus estimates of the 1990-1991 crop, based on Nov. 1 conditions, with the 1989-90 harvest in parentheses:

Oranges: Arizona 1.75 million boxes (1.57 million), including 1.2 million of Valencias (1.19 million); California 64 million boxes (73.1 million), including 24 million of Valencias (29 million); Florida 165 million boxes (110.2 million), including 70 million of Valencias (42.1 million); Texas NA (1.2 million boxes, including 155,000 of Valencias).

Grapefruit: Arizona 2.2 million (2.2 million); California 3.9 million boxes excluding ''other areas'' (8.7 million); Florida 50.5 million boxes (35.7 million); Texas NA (2 million boxes).

Lemons: Arizona 3.1 million boxes (2.9 million); California 17 million boxes (15.7 million).

Tangelos: Florida 3.1 million boxes (2.95 million).

Tangerines: Arizona 650,000 boxes (600,000); California 2 million boxes (1.6 million); Florida 2.1 million boxes (1.7 million).

Temples: Florida 3.1 million boxes (1.4 million).

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IRVINE, Calif. (NOV. 8) UPI - Irvine Co., a giant Southern California real estate developer, said Thursday it will cut both its work force and new projects because of worsening economic conditions.

''The savings and loan debacle has led to severe constraints on financing for new construction,'' the company said. ''As we look into the future ... the prospects for a continued strong real estate market are slim.''

The privately held company, which owns about 100 square miles or a sixth of Orange County, plans to lay off about 10 percent of its 370- employee work force.

California, which had been among the best real estate markets in country until last year, has been hit hard by a growing shortage of buyers for homes and what many believe is a severely over-built commercial base.

The California Association of Realtors is forecasting that existing home sales in the state will fall more than 14 percent next year, with much of the decline coming in coastal urban areas.

''We reamin very much in business, although a reduced level,'' the company said. Irvine Co. spokesman Larry Thomas said that the company will not shut down ongoing projects, such as the 2,600-acre Irvine Spectrum industrial and commercial park and four residential communities that will have 30,000 homes when complted.

Irvine Co., which is owned by Chairman Donald Bren, will make the job cuts across the board, although they will be heaviest in the finance and land-planning areas.

''This is a significant belt-tightening for us,'' Thomas said. ''We'll be cutting both overhead and capital expenditures.''

Thomas said the company has now revised its plan for the fiscal year, which began July 1, four times because of worsening economic conditions.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - President Bush announced another escalation of the U-S presence in the Persian Gulf today... a significant new troop deployment that is expected to send the American forces to more than 300-thousand. Bush announced the new troop movement in a news conference in Washington. Earlier, in Moscow, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze told a news conference that military force might be necessary to get Iraq out of Kuwait. The Soviet official indicated support for the American policy in the region.

In Atlanta, mail-bombing suspect Walter Moody Junior today refused to enter a plea of innocent or guilty to charges that he made the bombs that killed a federal judge and a lawyer last year. Moody's action forced government prosecutors to enter an innocent plea for him on the 70-count indictment. If convicted on all charges, he could face seven life terms plus 110 years in prison and three-point-seven-Million dollars in fines.

Louisiana authorities have charged two Fort Polk soldiers with the kidnap,

rape and shooting of an 18-year-old woman. 23-year-old Private Andrew Griffin Junior and 20-year-old Private Maurice Hardister were arrested on the Army base yesterday in connection with the Sunday night assault. Authorities say the servicemen allegedly kidnapped the woman at gunpoint from a parking lot, took her to a secluded road, raped her and shot her in the face and left her for dead.

Experts say American consumers should beware of credit-card fraud as the so-called ''plastic season'' approaches. They say increasingly sophisticated thieves steal more each year, with the total now at about 500-Million dollars a year. They say stolen credit cards account for much of the loss but that thieves need only the card number for mail- order or false credit-card application fraud.

Construction unions in Illinois say they plan to expand their local boycott of Toys-R-Us and make it nation-wide. Officials of the A-F-L C- I-O's Building and Construction Trades Department charge Toys-R-Us is building a 22-point-five-Million-dollar warehouse in Joliet with non- union workers and paying far below the area's prevailing wage scales. Toys-R-Us is one of the nation's largest retailers of toys and is entering one of the busiest sales seasons of the year- Christmas.

New York State Police Trooper Hector Fernandez must have thought he was dreaming yesterday when a light plane taxied right by him on Interstate 84 in southern New York. Fernandez was on the lookout for speeders when he got the big surprise. The small Piper Cherokee apparently malfunctioned and had to make an emergency landing in the town of Montgomery.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 8) UPI - Slugger Darryl Strawberry replaced the burden of New York expectations with hometown ones Thursday when he signed a five- year, $20.3 million contract with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

The Dodgers made Strawberry the second-highest paid player in baseball history and quickly ended the outfielder's tempestuous eight- year relationship with the Mets. Negotiations began Monday and concluded late Wednesday night.

''My baseball life is just starting now,'' the 28-year-old, seven- time National League All-Star said at a Dodger Stadium news conference. ''A lot of the fun was taken away by the expectations in New York. I think you're going to see Darryl Strawberry going at a different level.''

The Mets offered Strawberry $15 million over four seasons, but he was not interested. Oakland Athletics slugger Jose Canseco is the game's highest-paid player with a deal for $23.5 million over five seasons.

''We have studied long and hard the history of five-year contracts in baseball and it is a disastrous list,'' Mets General Manager Frank Cashen said. ''We had to make a business decision - and something of a decision from the heart - and we decided to go to four years and not five.''

The Mets won a World Series during Strawberry's days in New York, but the left-handed-hitting right fielder often was criticized when seasons turned sour.

''We sure accomplished more than we didn't,'' Strawberry, who graduated from Crenshaw High School in Los Angeles, said of his career with the Mets. ''We had players who got hurt and players who didn't produce. I wish we could've won more than one championship, but we didn't. There's no excuse for it.

''Pressure affects everyone's game. If the Mets didn't win, it was because of one particular player. That's what I went through.''

The left-handed Strawberry may play center field for Los Angeles Manager Tom Lasorda. Strawberry would be surrounded by Hubie Brooks in right field and Kal Daniels in left.

The signing adds to the speculation that free agent outfielder Kirk Gibson will not be re-signed.

''He'll play anywhere he wants,'' Lasorda said. ''I think he made it very, very clear when he stated he would play center field for us. He's willing to do anything for the ballclub. That's the type of person Darryl Strawberry is.''

Strawberry had his best season in 1990, hitting .277 with 37 home runs and 108 RBI. He kept the Mets in the pennant race, hitting several key home runs down the stretch, but the offense was not enough as the Mets finished four games behind the Pittsburgh Pirates in the National League East.

The Mets negotiated with Strawberry's agent, Eric Goldschmidt, periodically during the season. One offer in the summer was for $9.1 million over three years.

''If ($9.1 million for three years) is their (Mets) best shot, someone's going to make me the richest player in the game,'' Strawberry said last July.

Strawberry later openly feuded with Cashen after the general manager spoke publicly during mid-summer contract negotiations, saying Strawberry was not worth $5 million a year.

''I was asked whether I though that any ballplayer was worth $5 million and I said no,'' Cashen said. ''Then I was asked about Jose Canseco and I said he was not worth that kind of money. Then I was asked about Strawberry, and I said that based on my previous two statements, no player was worth $5 million,

including Strawberry.''

However, at the end of the season, Strawberry said he might remain with the Mets if certain conditions were met, including ''a better relationship with the front office.'' At the same time, he said he would sign with the Dodgers if they offered him a five-year contract ''within the range of contracts today.''

On Thursday, Strawberry said he intended to become a Dodger if the Los Angeles and New York offers were equal.

''I listened to the Mets, but they didn't talk what I wanted to hear, '' he said.

He said he will not be bothered by playing before his friends and family.

''There couldn't be no more pressure than playing in New York, believe me,'' he said. ''The most important thing is having fun and enjoying the game of baseball. When you can do that, there's no telling what you're capable of doing.''

Strawberry has career totals of 252 homers and 733 runs with a .263 average. He was the Mets' first selection and the No. 1 overall pick in the June 1980 free agent draft. He first came up with the Mets in 1983, winning NL Rookie of the Year honors.

In 1986, he was the top vote collector in the majors for the All-Star Game and became the first player in the National League to be picked as an All-Star starter in each of his first three full seasons in the majors.

Also that year, he hit two homers and had five RBI in the National League Championship Series, helping the Mets beat the Houston Astros. The Mets went on to defeat the Boston Red Sox in the World Series.

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GUATEMALA CITY (NOV. 8) UPI - Presidential candidates in Guatemala are deceiving voters by touting magic formulas intended to solve the country's social and economic problems immediately, the government's human rights attorney said Thursday.

''The disappointment is going to be tremendous, because after a few months, the president is not going to be able to make good on his promises and there's going to be a social convulsion, widespread strikes motivated more than anything else by the social and economic situation,'' Ramiro de Leon Carpio told foreign journalists.

Economic measures this year, including a halt to foreign currency subsidies for importers, coupled with devaluations of the quetzal, inflation and rising unemployment have caused discontent among the Guatemalan population.

'The candidates have offered to solve all the country's problems in 100 days, and it's going to create disappointment,'' said De Leon, who was appointed human rights attorney by the national congress last December.

On Sunday, voters will choose a successor to Vinicio Cerezo, who took office in 1986 as Guatemala's first civilian president since 1970.

If no candidate wins an outright majority, the top two contenders will enter a runoff election Jan. 6.

The apparent frontrunners - newspaper publisher Jorge Carpio Nicolle of the National Center Union Party and Alvaro Arzu Irogoyen of the National Party of Advancement - have fought a bitter campaign marked by widespread violence.

A report by the Washington D.C.-based National Democratic Institute for Democratic Affairs predicted the elections would be clean and fair, but said the violence has had a negative effect on the campaign.

At least four local leaders of major political parties have been assassinated since July, and major political figures have reported receiving death threats.

''The verbal violence has been very high, but it is in other countries as well '' De Leon said. ''But the verbal violence is much worse here because it doesn't stop at that. Here, they kill you.''

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(NOV. 8) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney declined to be specific- as officials have in the past- about the new American troop deployment to the Persian Gulf region. But he did say today three more U-S aircraft carriers are being moved to the region for Operation Desert Shield. President Bush announced the major new U-S deployment at a White House news conference. For the first time, the United States will have an offensive military capacity in the region, apparently involving more than 100-thousand additional troops.

President Bush told reporters in a frank talk this morning that he has what he termed ''some remedial work'' to do because of the reaction to his position change on the tax-hike issue. He acknowledged to the White House reporters that his flip-flop on taxes was costly. But he said the Republican Party suffered only limited damage in Tuesday's off- year elections. Bush refused to say whether he would seek re-election.

Police in New York City say the Egyptian-born boiler repairman accused of

killing militant Israeli Rabbi Meir Kahane was suffering from depression over a dead-end career. They say the gunman also may have been taking drugs prescribed by a psychiatrist. A spokesman says the 34-year-old was a well-educated man with an engineering degree who apparently was upset by his blue-collar job.

The Federal Reserve says U-S consumer credit remains strong, as consumers ring up more charges on their credit cards. The Fed says consumer credit increased three-BILLION dollars in September at an annual growth rate of four-point-nine percent. The month's rate of borrowing, despite the slowdown in the U-S economy, was higher than expected by private economists.

A jury in Ithaca, New York, today convicted a 23-year-old mother for killing her infant daughter in a case that drew national attention when she staged the child's abduction. Christian Lane sobbed as the guilty verdicts were read. Prosecutors charge Lane killed her 23-month-old daughter, Aliza Bush, in February, faked her abduction and reported her as missing. The incident sparked a search by hundreds of volunteers. To throw police off, presecutors say Lane mailed one of her daughter's mittens to herself.

Agricultural officials in California are declaring victory in their 16-month battle against the crop-threatening Medfly. The widespread infestation was the longest in California history and cost more than a record 52-Million dollars to fight. But officials say they'll resume aerial malathion spraying if the pest resurfaces. And they're urging the public to help prevent future pesticide spraying by NOT illegally bringing infested fruit into California.

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#90312u2193 11/08/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 8) UPI - More G-I's are going to the Persian Gulf. President Bush ordered a major buildup in the region so he will have what he considers adequate offensive military power to attack Iraq's Saddam Hussein. 230-thousand American troops already are in the gulf. The buildup appears to involve more than 100-thousand soldiers, perhaps as many as 150-thousand. Asked if the move means he is preparing for war, Bush repeated his hope that Saddam will comply with United Nations resolutions and withdraw unconditionally from Kuwait.

Oil markets were propelled upward today by UNconfirmed rumors that the United States will try to resupply its besieged embassy in Kuwait, using military force if necessary. The rumors drove crude oil prices up about one and one-half dollars a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The benchmark West Texas Intermediate closed at 35 dollars and 53 cents a barrel.

The Agriculture Department gave new crop production estimates today. The U-S-D-A forecasts grain production will total 309-Million 900- thousand metric tons, slightly less than the 312-Million 300-thousand tons projected one month

ago. If the estimate holds up, U-S production will be nine percent larger than last year's.

The U-S Agriculture Department refuses to go along with the Kremlin's declaration that this year's Soviet grain crop is a record 240-Million metric tons. The U-S-D-A today stuck to its estimate the Soviet crop totaled 235-Million tons, or just short of a 1978 record. NO matter what production is the Soviet Union is expected to import a huge amount of foreign grain.

Pakistan gave a warning to the United States today. Pakistan's president said Islamabad will maintain its close ties with Washington only as long as the relations do NOT adversely affect Pakistan's independence. The United States suspended aid to Pakistan last month because President Bush could NOT certify to Congress that Islamabad is NOT trying to build nuclear weapons.

The Food and Drug Administration warns people to stop using a drug promoted as a ''legal psychedelic.'' The F-D-A says the drug has sickened at least 30 people in California, Florida and Georgia. The drug called G-H-B causes nausea respiratory problems, seizures and comas. It is being promoted for strength training, body building and dieting.

A University of Utah chemist who claims he produced nuclear fusion at room temperature returned from a mysterious absence today. Stanley Pons defended his disputed research before a state oversight panel. Pons told the Utah Energy-Fusion Advisory Council he remains committed to fusion research. He stood up the panel last month and could NOT be found.

People both for and against Alaska's new marijuana law say it's likely to go to court before any pot smoker does. Before the law is enforced, the Alaska Supreme Court- which threw out the old marijuana law in 1975- will have to decide whether the new law voters passed Tuesday violates the privacy clause of the state constitution.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - The United States is sending about 100-thousand additional troops to the Persian Gulf. President Bush and Pentagon officials announced the deployment today. The additional troops WON'T all arrive in the Middle East until the new year... indicating any possible war against Iraq WON'T begin before then.

It has taken about three months to get more than 230-thousand U-S personnel into Saudi Arabia and in the waters and countries surrounding Iraq. About 200-thousand allied troops also are in the area... facing more than 400-thousand Iraqi troops.

A jury has convicted a man of charges he sexually assaulted a woman who claims

to have 46 personalities. Mark Peterson of Oshkosh, Wisconsin, claimed the woman was willing to have sex with him. He claimed he did NOT know about her mental condition.

The 27-year-old woman testified Wednesday after three of her 46 personalities were sworn in. ''Jennifer,'' the personality involved, said she did not know what sex was and did NOT know what Peterson did to her.

C-N-N disclosed today that the government taped phone conversations between deposed Panamanian General Manuel Noriega and defense attorneys getting ready for his drug trial. Federal officials deny that the monitoring was illegal.

C-N-N obtained several audio tapes of the conversations and began airing an excerpt from one. U-S District Judge William Hoeveler in Miami ordered C-N-N to refrain from using the tapes. C-N-N has appealed the order.

The mountains of New Mexico and Wyoming received enough snow to make travel difficult today. More than nine inches of snow fell in New Mexico. Strong winds caused near-blizzard conditions in Wyoming.

The temperatures plummeted in Alaska. It was six below zero in Fairbanks and 23 below in Delta. Winds up to nearly 75 miles an hour in Kodiak made the wind-chill far worse than the actual temperature.

The Los Angeles fire department estimates damage caused by a blaze at Universal Studios at between eight-Million and 25-Million dollars. The figures are far lower than initial estimates of the damage from Tuesday night's arson.

Manhattan's two major auction houses report a bursting balloon for the prices being paid for contemporary art. A week-long series of sales is drawing to a close... with some paintings and sculptures NOT even finding takers.

The tribal chiefs in Lesotho have named a new head of state... the eldest son of the deposed king. A military council runs Lesotho, a tiny former British-ruled kingdom surrounded by South Africa.

The Croatian Assembly challenged the Yugoslav government again today. Croatia approved legislation giving the republic's president control of its military reserve force in defiance of the Yugoslav Army and the federal government.

Albania's president issued a call today for changes in the Marxist constitution that would guarantee freedom of religion and re-define the party's role as the dominant force in society. He also said diplomatic relations with the United States are on the horizon.

Thailand's prime minister says he will realign his cabinet to satisfy the country's powerful military officers. He plans to drop a minister involved in a dispute with the military. The Thai military commander says that will reduce

tension.

President Reagan plans to visit Westminster College in Fulton, Missouri, tomorrow. Reagan will dedicate a monument sculpted by Winston Churchill's granddaughter in observance of the first anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall.

Churchill made his famous ''Sinews of Peace'' address at the college in 1946. He coined the phrase ''Iron Curtain'' in the speech.

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(NOV. 8) UPI - The Pentagon gave an indication today that it will NOT attack Iraqi troops before the new year- if then. Another 100-thousand or so G-I's are being sent to the Persian Gulf. But they probably WON'T be in the Mideast or ready for combat before the new year. A review of the units being sent indicate a minimum of 106-thousand-500 troops are included in the latest orders.

A man has been convicted of raping a mentally ill woman by preying on what psychiatrists say was one of her 46 personalities- that of an impressionable young woman who did NOT know anything about sex. A jury in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, convicted the man today. He testified he did NOT know about the woman's mental illness when they had sex.

A judge has ordered C-N-N to quit broadcasting tape recordings of former Panamanian General Manuel Noriega and his lawyers. C-N-N says the government made the tapes of phone conversations between Noriega and attorneys preparing for his drug trial in Miami. A lawyer says he will ask for dismissal of the charges because Noriega's right to a fair trial has been compromised.

A federal immigration judge in San Diego granted bail to a defecting Cuban intelligence officer today. The officer wants political asylum but faces deportation. The judge says he's satisfied the Cuban is NOT a national security risk. If he is sent back to Cuba, he's almost certain to face the death penalty.

Illinois health officials have cleared a coal gas plant of being a cancer-causer. Officials say unusually large numbers of cancer cases in the Tayorville area are due to heredity and the work and personal habits of the residents. The state also cleared the long-closed plant of involvement in the rare form of cancer contracted by three area children in the last two years.

A federal prosecutor says tests for hazardous substances and pollutants on samples from all over the United States may have been compromised by falsifications at a plant owned by the T-R-C Company. T- R-C and a former executive pleaded guilty in St. Louis to filing false reports on tests done on

samples for the Environmental Protection Agency.

Rowdy football fans forced a Northwest Airlines plane to make an UNscheduled landing in Las Vegas today. The jet was taking New York Giants fans to California for the weekend Los Angeles Rams game. About 40 passengers got rowdy because flight attendants cut off their drink supply. The pilot brought the excited football fans down to earth after one man threatened to punch a crew member.

California's winemakers are toasting the defeat of a state ballot measure that would have increased alcohol taxes by a nickel a drink. Voters overwhelmingly rejected Proposition 134, which would have channeled funds to alcohol-related medical and educational programs. Voters also rejected an industry-sponsored alternative that would have raised alcohol taxes by a penny a drink. California's alcohol excise tax remains a penny a gallon, the lowest in the nation.

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BY JACK E. WILKINSON - UPI

(NOV. 8) UPI - MOVIES ''Back To The Future III'' _ Marty McFly and Doc Brown find themselves in the Wild West, and making it a whole lot wilder, in the rollicking windup of their time-tripping odyssey. Marty (Michael J. Fox) saddles up the DeLorean one more time to zoom back to 1885 to rescue Doc (Christopher Lloyd), trapped in the past with very little future since he's ticketed for a bullet in the back in a few days. Doc is now the town blacksmith and has incurred the wrath, as does Marty, of the snarling outlaw ancestor of time-tested nemesis Biff (Thomas F. Wilson). To make Marty's rescue mission more difficult, Doc has fallen for the new schoolmarm (Mary Steenburgen). It's an entertaining, fast-paced romp that not only revives the Western, but finishes a very successful series on a high note. Overall, it's a lot of fun. 1990. 118 minutes. MCA/Universal Home Video. Rated PG. No suggested retail price.

''The Rocky Horror Picture Show'' _ This kinkily outrageous farce, a cult legend usually shown at midnight and inspiring considerable and often wild audience participation, celebrates its 15th birthday with a debut on home video. The horror movie spoof tells of a young couple (Susan Sarandon and Barry Bostwick) trapped in a spooky old house loaded with a bunch of transexuals from Transylvania, including lead wierdo Tim Curry. Richard O'Brien composed the rock score. A prologue explains the merits of seeing the film in a theater with an audience. Presumably the usual practice of throwing bathroom tissue, food and other objects at the screen would have certain ramifications at home. 1975. 100 minutes. CBS/Fox Video. Rated R. $89.98.

''Prancer'' is a warm, captivating holiday family fable about a little girl

and a deer and the meaning of Christmas. Jessica (Rebecca Harrell) is an imaginative nine-year-old who one day finds an injured animal she believes to be Prancer, one of Santa's reindeer. Times are tough and folks are touchy as Christmas approaches and Jessica's bubbly approach is often rebuffed, even at home where her widowed father John (Sam Elliott) is trying desperately to save his failing apple crop and may have to break up the family. But, when Jessica finds the deer and secretly nurses it back to health "to return him to Santa," things begin changing dramatically for the better. 1990. 103 minutes. Nelson Entertainment. Rated G. $89.98.

''Hail The Conquering Hero'' _ Eddie Bracken plays an Army reject who is mistaken for a war hero by his home town in this 1944 Preston Sturges gem glistening with satire and rippling dialogue. The top-notch supporting cast features William Demarest, Franklin Pangborn and Ella Raines. In its video debut. 101 minutes. MCA/Universal Home Video. $29.95.

''Rising Son'' _ Father and son clash over the future in this well done made-for-cable drama about a tough blue collar worker (Brian Dennehy) who must do battle on two fronts, to save his job and keep his family together. Dennehy is, as usual, quite good, supported by Piper Laurie and Matt Damon. 1990. 92 minutes. Turner Home Entertainment. Rated M by the Film Advisory Board. $79.98.

''Deceptions'' _ Harry Hamlin plays a detective who falls in love with a murder suspect (Nicollette Sheridan) despite mounting evidence that she killed her wealthy husband in this engagingly steamy, made-for-cable suspense drama. 1990. 105 minutes. Republic Pictures Home Video. Rated R. $89.98.

''Frankenhooker'' _ A bereaved scientist ''recreates'' his dead fiancee using body parts of prostitutes in this comic horror spoof. 1990. 85 minutes. Shapiro Glickenhaus Home Video. In both R-rated and unrated versions. $89.98.

VIDBITS

''Pretty Woman'' is sitting pretty among the nation's video viewers. The charming Cinderella update is No. 1 in both sales and rentals, according to Billboard Magazine. ''Glory'' is the runnerup rental for the second straight week ...

CBS/Fox Home Video has a jaunty January lined up, starting with ''The Adventures Of Ford Fairlane'' on Jan. 3, ''Young Guns II'' on the 17th and ''Die Hard II'' on the 31st ... Sylvester Stallone's four Rocky movies have been repackaged by MGM-UA and will be marketed Nov. 21 at $19.98 each ...

In an effort to encourage video dealers to both rent and sell ''Dick Tracy,'' Buena Vista Home Video has decreed that only rental stores will be able to sell the Warren Beatty hit during its initial run. ''Tracy'' is due on video Dec. 19 at $92.95 ...

For the nostalgic serial buff, six of those old Saturday matinee cliffhangers are being re-issued by Republic Home Video, among them ''The Painted Stallion'' (1937), ''Undersea Kingdom'' (1939) and ''Zorro's Fighting Legion'' (also '39), $29.98 each ...

Billboard's Top 10 rentals

1. Pretty Woman _ Touchstone Home Video
2. Glory _ RCA-Columbia Home Video
3. Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: The Movie _ Family Home Entertainment
4. Q&A _ HBO Video
5. The Hunt for Red October _ Paramount Home Video
6. Driving Miss Daisy _ Warner Home Video
7. The First Power _ Nelson Home Entertainment
8. Bad Influence _ RCA-Columbia Home Video
9. Fire Birds _ Touchstone Home Video
10. Born on the Fourth of July _ MCA-Universal Home Video

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NEW YORK (NOV. 8) UPI - Deflation of ballooning prices for contemporary art continued Thursday as a week-long series of sales at Manhattan's two major auction houses drew to a close.

Some 28 of 58 paintings and sculptures that went on the block Wednesday evening at Christie's gallery failed to find a buyer willing to pay the reserve price below which the art work remains unsold.

The 30 lots that did sell brought a disappointing total of $36.7 million, against a pre-sale estimate of $47.7 million to $65.4 million.

''Quality sells and that's what sold tonight,'' commented Diane Upright, curator of contemporary art sales at Christie's.

''But I think we will take an overall look at structuring sale in general. In the process of reassessment, perhaps the evneing sales may become more tightly focused.''

Top price in the sale was $8.8 million paid by New York dealer Larry Gagosian for Willem de Kooning's ''July,'' part of his urban landscape series painted in 1856. Christie's had put an evaluation of $5 million to $7 million on the canvas, an abstract composition of summery colors slashed with black.

Swiss dealer Thomas Ammann paid $4.84 million for an untitled 1961 Cy Twombly graffiti painting, and an unidentified European collector paid $3.85 million for Fracis Bacon's 1967 ''Portrit of George Dyer Staring into a Mirror.'' An unidentified dealer bought Mark Rothko's 1958 color field painting, ''Black

and Dark Red on Red,'' for $3.19 million.

Among the paintings that failed to sell were two Andy Warhol self- portraits and his ''12 Jackies,'' a multiple portrait of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis. A Warhold painting also failed to sell at Sotheby's gallery Tuesday.

The Sotheby sale sent the art world into shock when half the post- World War II artworks offered failed to sell. As a result, the sales total was only $19.8 million instead of the $39.6 million to $52 million expected by gallery experts.

Dealers attending the sale voiced the opinion that reserves _ the prices agreed on by consignors and gallery experts as a fair market price _ were too high to be realistic in an era of deepening economic gloom and the threat of war in the Middle East.

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BOSTON (UPI) _ Thousands of ''Cheers'' fans crammed onto Boston's City Hall Plaza Thursday for a glimpse of their favorite stars as the NBC show about the bar ''where everybody knows your name'' celebrated its 200th episode.

The longest-running comedy currently on television, ''Cheers'' centers around a Boston bar modeled after the Bull & Finch Pub at the foot of Beacon Hill. Cast members came to Boston to mark the event, riding through the city streets in a motorcade, than taking part in a rally as the mayor's office proclaimed ''Cheers Appreciation Day'' in Boston.

''Thank you, Boston. We love you!'' series star Ted Danson shouted to the crowd.

Danson, who plays womanizing bartender Sam Malone, was joined by fellow cast members Kirstie Alley, George Wendt, Rhea Perlman, John Ratzenberger, Kelsey Grammer, Bebe Neuwirth, and Roger Rees. Woody Harrelson, who portrays the naive bartender Woody, was absent, but Danson assured the crowd, ''Woody sends his love.''

Mayor Raymond Flynn's office said as many as 30,000 people packed onto City Hall Plaza to see the stars, while thousands more lined the parade route from Copley Square to City Hall. Police estimated the plaza throng at 25,000.

''It's one of my favorite television shows,'' gushed a female fan as she waited for a glimpse of Danson and Co.

Male fans seemed more interested in Alley, who replaced Shelley Long as Sam Malone's love interest-nemesis.

''This is great, this is awesome,'' said fan John Murray, who said the dark-haired actress was the main reason he braved the biting wind and chilly temperatures. ''I love Kirstie Alley.''

Perhaps he felt rewarded when Alley called to the crowd, ''You have a lot better-looking men in Boston than we have in L.A.!''

The city presented the cast members with gifts, specially designed to suit the characters they portray, to mark the occasion. Danson was given a baseball bat _ his character is a former member of the Boston Red Sox _ while Perlman received a Boston Bruins jersey. Her character, caustic waitress Carla LeBec, is the widow of a former Bruins player.

One Boston police officer who was directing traffic during the parade was hit by a car, but his injuries were not serious, said police spokeswoman Jill Reilly. The officer's name was not immediately available, but Reilly said he was assigned to the motorcycle unit. The officer was being treated at Massachusetts General Hospital for a possible broken leg, she said.

''Cheers'' first aired on Sept. 30, 1982, and has accumulated 22 Emmy Awards during its long tenure. The show, whose theme song describes a bar so friendly that ''everybody knows your name,'' has gained in popularity over the years and last year it was the top-rated series.

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PALO ALTO, CALIF. (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Tab Products Co. (ASE:TBP) announced Friday that its board of directors has approved a doubling in its quarterly cash dividend from 5 cents per share to 10 cents per share, establishing an annual dividend rate of 40 cents per share.

This quarterly dividend is payable Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 26, 1990.

Harry Le Claire, chairman and chief executive officer of Tab, commented that the higher dividend reflects the increased cash position of the company, as well as management's confidence in the company's business.

Headquartered in Palo Alto, Tab manufactures and markets office filing and furniture systems which are sold worldwide. There are 6,737,284 shares of Tab Products Co. common stock outstanding.

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Perini Investment Properties Inc., (AMEX:PNV) reports a net cash flow loss of $956,000, or 24 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 versus positive net cash flow of $925,000 or 24 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

This is the first quarterly loss reported by PIP since its shares began publicly trading in 1984.

The company said the loss was due among other things to increased vacancies at certain properties, increased interest payments and operating costs, and a reduction in partnership distributions due primarily to the wind-up of the Alcoa Building partnership in 1989.

As stated previously, the company expects these conditions to affect operating cash flow for the remainder of the year, although certain planned transactions could significantly improve anticipated results. Recent conditions in the marketplace, however, are lengthening the time required to accomplish such transactions.

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CUPERTINO, CA (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer, Inc. Friday announced that Michael H. Spindler, the company's chief operating officer, and Bernard Goldstein, partner of Broadview Associates, have been nominated to become members of Apple's board of directors.

Broadview Associates is a highly regarded global investment banking firm specializing exclusively in the information technology industry.

Additionally, John Sculley, the company's chairman and chief executive officer announced that, effective today, Spindler has been elected president, Apple Computer, Inc.

Also effective today, Joseph A. Graziano, the company's chief financial officer, and Albert Eisenstat, Apple's Secretary, have been elected executive vice presidents. Spindler, Graziano and Eisenstat continue to report directly to Sculley. The scope of their responsibilities has not been changed.

Previously, Sculley had held the position of president in addition to his role as chairman and CEO. The board membership nominations will be submitted to a shareholder vote at the Annual Shareholders meeting on January 30, 1991.

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SAN MATEO, CALIF. (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Bay View Federal Bank, the wholly-owned subsidiary of Bay View Capital Corp., (NASDAQ:BVFS), announced Friday that it expects to increase its reserves for real estate-related assets in the fourth quarter ended Dec. 31, 1990.

These assets include two joint venture housing developments of the bank's subsidiary, Bay View Financial Corp., and non-residential loans made by the bank.

Robert E. Barnes, Bay View's chief executive officer, said: ''Due to the weakening real estate market in Northern California and the belief that the economy may be entering a recessionary period, Bay View expects that new appraisals on certain assets will result in significant additional reserves. While the amount will be determined by the end of the quarter when all of the appraisals are complete, we expect to add between $8 million and $13 million to reserves.''

A portion of the above additions to reserves are a result of suggestions made by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in connection with their recent examination of the bank and its real estate investment subsidiary.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the bank substantially exceeded its fully phased-in regulatory capital requirements. The bank expects its regulatory capital to continue to exceed such requirements.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America has begun a joint project with Tandem Computers Incorporated for the installation of an advanced Securities Settlement System that will increase efficiencies, accommodate increased volumes, increase product and accounting flexibility, and provide increased operational controls.

The system was developed by Phase3 of Waltham, Mass., and licensed to Bank of America. Implementation begins this month and will be phased in over the next year.

The new on-line, real-time system will accommodate a variety of securities

settlement functions across a wide range of securities products and reduce the number of support systems. Bank of America has transacted securities business with institutional and retail clients nationwide for almost 40 years. Said Executive Vice

The system will enable the bank to dramatically increase its securities processing capabilities, a particular benefit in California, where investor growth continues to be strong.

The system will also give the bank greater flexibility to add new capital markets products, and it will improve risk management and management information systems.

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#90313b0052 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire
SAN JOSE, CALIF (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Frame Technology Corp. Friday announced the promotions of Pat House to vice president of marketing and David Orfao to vice president of North American sales.

''These promotions augment our strong management team and ensure the continuity we need to successfully market and sell new products, gain market share and increase our profitability even more,'' said Paul Robichaux, president of Frame Technology.

House and Orfao will share the marketing and sales responsibilities previously managed by Steve Klann, who is resigning as vice president of sales and marketing to pursue other career interests.

''Steve was instrumental in building Frame into a successful high growth company. We have full confidence that Pat and David will follow in his footsteps and continue our successful product and distribution strategies,'' continued Robichaux.

House, 36, formerly Frame's director of marketing, has responsibility for the overall marketing strategy of Frame. She will oversee all product marketing, training, strategic partner, and corporate communication departments, and will report directly to Robichaux. House, who joined Frame as director of channel marketing, has held positions at Oracle Corp., Ansa Software and Verbatim Corp.

She has a BA from Western Michigan University.

Orfao, 32, formerly director of U.S. sales, will be responsible for all direct reseller and OEM sales in the United States and Canada. He will report directly to Robichaux. Orfao has held various sales and marketing management

positions with Ashton-Tate Corp. and Migent Inc. He holds a BA degree in business administration and accounting from Norwich University.

Frame is the supplier of FrameMaker, the leading workstation publishing software available for multiple graphical user interfaces on more than 25 different computers including Apple, Altos, Apollo, Hewlett-Packard, NeXT, MIPS, Pyramid, Matsushita, Sun and Silicon Graphics.

Frame markets its products worldwide through distributors, VARs, OEMs and directly to end-users. The privately held company is located at 1010 Rincon Circle, San Jose, Calif. 95131.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Kaypro Corp. Friday announced it will introduce three new product lines at the 1990 Comdex trade show in Las Vegas next week.

This will be the first time in two years that the computer manufacturer has been present at the huge annual computer industry show.

According to Geoffrey W. Soule', president and chief executive officer, Kaypro views Comdex as the perfect opportunity to initiate the ongoing revitalization of its retail dealer network. ''Kaypro has begun a positive trend of generating encouraging sales figures,'' he said.

''The dealer network will continue to play an important role in the company's return to profitability. Our main reason for being present at Comdex is to show that Kaypro is still a major force in the PC industry.''

The new Kaypro product lines include the full-function KC Series; the small-sized, high-powered Micro Desktop (MD) Series; and the affordable, portable LC Series of laptops. All the lines feature the high-value, low-cost reliable machines for which Kaypro is best known.

Kaypro will be exhibiting its high-performance machines in Booth 2802, located in the South Hall directly across from the main rotunda in the Las Vegas Convention Center.

With nearly four decades of experience in the high-tech/electronics industry, Kaypro is an internationally recognized brand name. Currently, Kaypro Corp. enjoys a user base of more than a half-million computer systems worldwide and markets a full line of microcomputers for businesses and individuals.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Renewable energy resources can become the "backbone" of tomorrow's electric power supply and play a key role in this country's national energy strategy, Pacific Gas and Electric Co. Research and Development Manager Carl J. Weinberg told an energy forum at the National Academy of Sciences in Washington Friday.

"Ever since Iraq invaded the oil fields of Kuwait, we've all recognized the need to examine domestic energy production," said Weinberg. "Any policies regarding enhancement of that production must give serious consideration to renewables. New technologies and production techniques will continue to reduce costs and raise the efficiency of these clean energy options."

Weinberg was the only representative from a utility company to speak at the two-day forum called "America's Energy Future." The panel of speakers, which also included educators and researchers, addressed an audience of leaders from fields including industry, banking, law, education and foreign policy.

PG&E has one of the cleanest energy mixes in the country, employing renewables such as hydroelectric generation (3,800 megawatts); geothermal (1,300 megawatts); and power purchases from wind, solar, biomass, and cogeneration (2,000 megawatts).

Still, Weinberg sees the utility of the future as both cleaner and leaner. "The emergence of small clean technologies could substantially change the structure and operation of electric utilities," said Weinberg. "The days of large central station power plants doing all the work could change dramatically with the increased implementation of renewable resources." One vision of the utility of tomorrow presented by Weinberg includes:

- Using more solar, wind and geothermal energy where possible;
- Replacing steam boilers in aging power plants with clean, more efficient gas-fired turbines or fuel cell technologies;
- Expanding the utility generation base by constructing small, environmentally preferred generating and storage systems on the distribution system closer to the customer. These could include advanced fuel cells and small wind and solar installations.

"We're at various stages of research and implementation in all of these areas " Weinberg said. "The bottom line is that renewable resources are already working for us, and now is the time to turn the country's attention to the need for further development of our cleanest options."

PG&E was recently named "Utility of the Year" by the American Wind Energy Association, and the company operates the country's largest solar cell energy test facility in Davis, Calif.

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TORONTO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Paul D. Campbell, president of Campeau Canada, has been appointed president and chief executive officer of Trilea Centres Inc., one of Canada's largest shopping centre organizations, it was announced Friday.

Campbell has more than 20 years experience in shopping centre development, leasing and operations as well as in other aspects of real estate development. He officially assumes his new position on Jan. 7, 1991.

In making the announcement, Marvin Marshall, president and chief executive officer of Bramalea Limited (the parent of Trilea), said: ''Despite the current malaise in retailing, we see tremendous long-term opportunities in the Canadian shopping centre industry for new property developments and new retailing approaches. Paul Campbell has the depth of knowledge and corporate leadership to take Trilea into a new era of creating retail environments that will preserve Trilea's hard-earned reputation as one of the country's preeminant shopping centre organizations.''

Trilea Centres Inc. was formed five years ago from the consolidation of shopping centres owned by Trizec Corporation Ltd. and Bramalea Limited. The company is responsible for managing 14 million square feet of retail space in 28 shopping centres across Canada. Trilea is also responsible for the development of land sites in British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario and Quebec that could support new regional shopping centres.

Born in Ottawa and educated in Toronto, Campbell graduated from Pennsylvania State University in 1966. The following year he joined a shopping centre development company operating in the Maritimes and Quebec. In 1977, Campbell joined Campeau Corp. and, apart from three years with the Oxford Development Group in Calgary, has been with the company for the past 13 years. He was a senior vice-president at Campeau prior to being appointed president of Campeau Canada in May 1989 with responsibility for the development and management of shopping centres and office buildings in Canada.

Campbell replaces Iain Rankin who announced his resignation last month to emigrate to Scotland to pursue personal interests.

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MORGAN HILL, CALIF (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Redlake Corp., a Morgan Hill-based manufacturer of high speed instrumentation film camera equipment and videographic imaging products, announced Friday the unaudited results of its second quarter and six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of its fiscal year 1991 as follows:

For the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of fiscal year 1991, net revenues increased and there was a net loss compared to the second quarter of fiscal year 1990. Net revenues increased $33,368 or 4 percent, from $807,101 in the second quarter of fiscal year 1990 to $840,469 in the second quarter of fiscal year 1991.

Net revenues increased as a result of higher shipments in the graphics imaging products.

There was a net loss of $59,772 in the second quarter of fiscal year 1991 compared to a net income of $9,055 in the second quarter of fiscal year 1990. The net loss is a result of increased expenses associated with the start up of the imaging products distribution channel and increased new product software expenditures.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net revenues increased $438,569 or 32 percent from $1,378,536 in the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989, to $1,817,105 in the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

There was a net loss of $49,151 in the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $53,430 in the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The net loss in the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was the result of increased selling, marketing and general administration expenses.

The backlog at Sept. 30, 1990, was $875,675 compared to $808,401 at Sept. 30, 1989.

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RICHLAND, WA (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The Fast Flux Test Facility at Hanford is achieving world record performance by two advanced fuel assemblies while it continues its eighth year of successful reactor operation.

The FFTF is a multipurpose test reactor which Westinghouse Hanford Co.

operates for the U.S. Department of Energy. The sodium-cooled reactor plant has been operating since 1982 with a wide range of fuels and materials experiments benefitting advanced energy technologies.

Two advanced mixed-oxide fuel assemblies in FFTF have now achieved a level of burnup more than four times greater than commercial nuclear power plants, said Plant Manager Dan Swaim of Westinghouse Hanford Co.

"This means we're demonstrating a fuel design that's ideal for the future, one that can extract far more useful energy from a given amount of fuel," he added. The latest achievements also surpass previous fuel records established at FFTF as well as performance at other liquid-metal-cooled nuclear power plants in the world.

"In straightforward terms, each pound of this nuclear fuel - about one cubic inch - has produced the energy equivalent of 1,450 barrels of crude oil," Swaim reported. The performance records are being chalked up by two fuels test assemblies which have been undergoing FFTF irradiation since 1985.

The full-size assemblies have produced a peak of approximately 210 megawatt days of energy for each kilogram of fuel material, a level comparable to nearly four years of steady full-power operation. Most commercial nuclear fuel must be replaced after producing 40-50 megawatt days of energy per kilogram of fuel.

Westinghouse Hanford's manager of Technology Support, Frank Bard, credits the lengthy fuel performance success to HT-9, the advanced alloy developed by Westinghouse Hanford for fabrication of fuel pin cladding and ducts.

"This advanced steel alloy exhibits almost no dimensional swelling and it provides good strength behavior in the reactor core," Bard said. "This permits fuel assemblies constructed with HT-9 fuel pin cladding and structural ducts to remain in the reactor longer and therefore more total energy is extracted from the nuclear fuel."

HT-9 is a ferritic steel, developed and proof-tested in Hanford laboratory programs during the 1970s and 1980s. The aim was to produce metals for future reactor components that would offer longer irradiation lifetimes and less swelling or other distortion than conventional stainless steels.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Mission West Properties (ASE/PSE:MSW) has declared a cash dividend of 10 cents per share payable Nov. 30 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 23.

G. Joseph LaBreche, president, reported that this is the 33rd consecutive quarterly dividend paid by the company.

Mission West Properties, a San Diego real estate corporation with approximately $54 million in assets, develops, owns and operates income properties located in Southern California and Arizona.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Summary income statement information for the Todd-AO Corp.

The Todd-AO Corporation
Summary Income Statement Information
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Twelve Months Ended	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 5,383	$ 4,411	$24,021	$23,474
Net income (loss)	$ 8	$ (512)	$ 281	$ 24
Net income (loss) per common share	.00	$ (.13)	$ .07	$ .01
Average shares outstanding (a)	4,004,916	3,895,098	4,025,846	4,021,918

(a) Average shares outstanding for the twelve months ended Aug. 31 1990 and 1989 include common stock equivalents.

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WINTERSBURG, AZ (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The operators of Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station have selected the Lynchburg, Va., firm of Babcock & Wilcox Nuclear Services (BWNS) to perform major refueling outage work at Palo Verde under a three-year contract. The agreement also includes two contract extension options.

Under the partnership agreement, BWNS will provide integrated outage services, which may possibly include reactor refueling work as well as steam generator inspections and maintenance. The full scope of the contractor's duties are

still being negotiated.

According to David Mauldin, Palo Verde's manager of Outage Planning & Management, BWNS will establish a permanent staff at the plant and will supplement that staff with additional personnel during refueling outages. The first refueling outage expected to benefit from the new partnership arrangement is in Unit 3, scheduled to begin in March 1991.

"We expect to see members of the BWNS outage management team at Palo Verde within the next month," Mauldin stated. "They will assist in the outage planning, schedule development and review currently in progress for the upcoming Unit 3 refueling outage."

"Babcock & Wilcox is highly respected throughout the nuclear industry," Mauldin said. "They bring to Palo Verde a strong work ethic and a wealth of knowledge and experience.

"They've also committed to becoming an integral part of our team effort to reduce outage duration and cost, working in conjunction with APS employees in the maintenance, technical support, and engineering organizations, among others."

"We anticipate a successful partnership with BWNS and look forward to their contribution to the Palo Verde team, with resultant successful outage completions in 1991 and beyond," Mauldin concluded.

The Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station is a standardized triple-unit commercial nuclear power facility located 55 miles west of Phoenix. It is operated by the Arizona Public Service Co., which owns 29.1 percent of the plant.

The other co-owners are Salt River Project, Southern California Edison, Public Service Co. of New Mexico, El Paso Electric Co., Los Angeles Dept. of Water & Power, and the Southern California Public Power Authority. Palo Verde generates electricity to serve approximately four million people. All three units are currently in operation, each at full power.

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IRVINE, CALIF (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - National Health Care Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:NHCS) announced Friday that the company will report a loss of approximately $372,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, on approximately $3.6 million in revenues.

The cumulative loss of approximately $57,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compares with earnings of $229,000 for the prior comparable period.

NHCS cited two unrelated events which are primarily responsible for the loss during the third quarter. First, the company's wholly owned subsidiary, DentiCare of California Inc., was required by California regulators to terminate its indemnity product lines due to disputed legal interpretations, effective Sept. 1, 1990.

The indemnity business represented less than 4 percent of total enrollment at the time of the order.

The second event contributing to the third-quarter loss was related to specialist dental claims. As a result of the rapid growth in sales of products which include a specialist reimbursement benefit, management considered it appropriate to significantly increase its reserve against such costs in the amount of $207,000.

Enrollment in the company's plans currently exceeds 241,000 members, compared with 188,000 at the same time last year. This represents an increase of 28 percent and is reflected in the growth in revenues to $9.96 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with revenues of $6,678,000 for the prior comparable period.

National Health Care Systems owns and operates a capitated prepaid dental plan in the state of California which operates under the name of DentiCare and has approximately 241,000 members throughout the state. The company offers its prepaid dental benefit packages to employer groups as well as to families and individuals as an alternative to dental indemnity insurance.

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WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CALIF. (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated Energy Systems Inc. Friday announced an additional extension of the expiration date for its outstanding B warrants to the close of business on May 13, 1991.

The new closing date extends the previously announced Nov. 12, 1990, expiration date.

The B warrants can raise up to $2.5 million in working and project capital for Consolidated. A successful warrant exercise would substantially augment the company's capital and allow it to further accelerate its growth. Earlier extensions of the expiration date have already occurred both to address the company's capitalization planning objectives and because the company seeks to

perfect technical warrant registration issues.

As the company has previously announced, the extension remains one of the consequences of the ongoing problems stemming from the deficient work of Consolidated's previous securities attorneys.

While the company has managed to correct and rectify many of the discrepancies that were discovered, there has been an unavoidable delay in the filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission of a Post Effective Amendment to Consolidated's registration statement. The Post Effective Amendment is necessary for the warrants to become exercisible. The company will continue to announce its progress and events relative to its B warrants as such occur.

Consolidated Energy Systems, founded in 1984, is a publicly traded company with emphasis on developing cogeneration and energy conservation projects. Consolidated has been a public company since 1987 with common shares and warrants (to purchase common shares) presently traded over the counter.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Mercury Air Group Inc. (ASE:MAX) Friday reported revenues of $16.92 million and net income of $142,000, or 7 cents per share, for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991, ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reported revenues of $16.71 million and net income of $405,000, or 20 cents per share, for the first quarter of the previous fiscal year.

''Mercury Air is weathering quite well the storm caused by rising fuel costs '' noted Seymour Kahn, chairman of the aviation services company.

''Operating income was stable compared to the first quarter of the previous fiscal year, and continuing gains in our air cargo business have helped to offset decreases in our fueling operations, higher interest costs, and increased expenses in our fixed-base operations,'' Kahn explained.

''Our strategic mix of aviation service businesses has positioned the company to continue operating profitably in this period of irrationally high oil prices,'' Kahn concluded.

Mercury Air Group is the largest independent fuel supplier at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), as well as one of the largest domestic contractors providing aviation fueling services to the U.S. military.

The company provides fueling, cargo handling, and ground support for

commercial, military and general aviation aircraft. These services are offered through Mercury Air's main operations at LAX, five fixed-base operations in California and Nevada, and 15 U.S. military bases, including one in Bermuda.

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SAN DIMAS, CALIF. (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Southern California Water Co. (NASDAQ:SWTR) reported third-quarter earnings of 98 cents per common share, substantially unchanged from the $1 per common share for the same period in 1989.

Earnings for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $3.06 compared with $2.03 last year. This sharp increase in 12-month earnings is reflective of a 9 percent increase in utility operating income due to a 7 percent increase in revenues, coupled with a lesser increase in supply costs.

As well, the 1990 12 months included 42 cents per share recorded in December 1989 from the sale of an operating system.

Operating revenue for the quarter increased to $25,796,000 compared with $24,636,000 for the same period in 1989, due largely to the effects of rate increases effective in early 1990.

A dividend of 55 cents per share payable Dec. 1, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 12, 1990, was declared at the latest meeting of the board of directors.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Third quarter results for Nordstrom Inc.

Sales for the nine-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, increased 10 percent to $1,991,703,000 from $1,813,631,000. For the third quarter, sales were $634,895,000 compared with $572,383,000 for the same quarter last year, an 11 percent increase.

Net earnings for the nine-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $69,519,000 compared with $83,487,000, a 17 percent decrease. On a per share basis, net

earnings were $.85 compared with $1.02. For the quarter, net earnings were $20,426,000 compared with $21,968,000 a 7 percent decrease. On a per share basis, net earnings were $.25 compared with $.27.

Sales during the quarter reflected more cautious consumer spending patterns in all regions of the company's operations. Sales in stores opened more than one year decreased 2 percent during the quarter. ''We are not immune from effects of the softening sales trends in the entire retail industry,'' said John Goesling, senior vice president. ''We are encouraged, however, that our efforts to control inventories and expenses have reduced the impact on earnings.''

The company opened several new specialty stores in the third quarter. New stores were opened in Santa Barbara, Calif., and Paramus, N.J., both of which were new markets for the company. The company also opened a new and larger store in the Lloyd Center in Portland, Ore. In addition, the company opened new clearance stores in San Leandro, Calif., and Dale City, Va. These openings bring the total number of stores in operation at the end of the quarter to 63.

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MARKHAM, ONTARIO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - On April 27, 1990, International Semi-Tech Microelectronics Inc. (''Semi-Tech'') announced it had terminated the share purchase agreement entered into with Provigo Inc. and Loeb Inc. (the ''Vendors'') relating to the purchase of the shares of Consumers Distributing Company Limited (''Consumers'') as a result of non-fulfilment by the Vendors of certain material conditions set out in the share purchase agreement.

In addition, Semi-Tech commenced an action seeking damages resulting from breaches and other actionable conduct relating to the share purchase agreement including failure of the Vendors to meet conditions relating to representatives and warranties.

Subsequently, the Vendors filed a motion to have the suit stayed and to require Semi-Tech to close the share purchase agreement and arbitrate the purchase price.

Yesterday the Ontario Court (General Division) dismissed the Vendors' motion in its entirety. As a result of this ruling, Semi-Tech now intends to actively pursue its lawsuit against the Vendors seeking damages totalling $87 million.

International Semi-Tech Microelectronics Inc. is a Canadian public company

headquartered in Markham, Ontario, whose shares are listed on The Toronto Stock Exchange, trading under the stock symbol -- ISE.

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WALKERSVILLE, MD (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Whittaker Bioproducts Inc. of Walkersville, Maryland, has purchased substantially all of the business and assets of LipoGen Inc. of Knoxville, Tenn.

As part of the purchase, Whittaker receives exclusive rights to the patented recombinant antigen technology used in LipoGen's RheumELISA(TM) and RheumaStrip(TM) autoimmune diagnostic kits. This technology allows RheumELISA and RheumaStrip to exhibit exceptional sensitivity and specificity not found in other autoimmune diagnostic assays.

The RheumELISA and RheumaStrip assays are performed to determine the presence of antibodies in the human immune system which have lost the ability to recognize the patient's own cellular components. As the immune system attacks these cells, great damage is done to tissues and organs throughout the body. The presence of these ''autoantibodies'' is a useful tool in the diagnosis of such autoimmune disorders as Systemic Lupus Erythematosus, Scleroderma and Mixed Connective Tissue Disease.

RheumELISA is a 96-well microplate assay designed for the hospital and clinical lab setting. Currently, tests are available for Ro, La, Sm, RNP and dsDNA autoimmune disease markers. The RheumaStrip Profile kit uses an innovative test strip format well-suited for the physician's office lab to simultaneously generate results for the markers mentioned above. Both products have been reviewed by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and are available for in vitro diagnostic use.

Andrew J. O'Beirne, Dr. P.H., general manager of Whittaker Bioproducts' Diagnostic division, says, ''We view these significant product additions as a major step in bringing us closer to our goal of providing the most comprehensive line of autoimmune diagnostic products in the industry.''

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - TIS Mortgage Investment Co. (NYSE:TIS) Friday reported net income of $1,972,000, or 24 cents per share, and

$5,776,000, or 71 cents per share, for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively.

This compares to net income of $1,845,000, or 23 cents per share, and $5,722,000, or 71 cents per share, for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, respectively.

The increase in net income in the third quarter of 1990 over the third quarter of 1989 was primarily due to lower short-term interest rates in the third quarter of 1990. The total benefit of lower short-term rates was partially offset due to the fact that the company has been accumulating cash to purchase additional Residual Interests.

In August 1990 the company purchased for approximately $47,000 the remaining 2 percent of a Residual Interest of which 98 percent ownership was already held by the company. The company also committed to acquire a fixed-rate Residual Interest in the fourth quarter of 1990 at a cost of approximately $2,589,000.

The company is continually reviewing Residual Interests available for purchase in its effort to invest in Residual Interests that complement the current portfolio.

As a real estate investment trust (''REIT''), TIS Mortgage Investment Company's dividends are based on taxable income calculated under the internal revenue code and not on book income which is computed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Taxable income in each quarter of 1989 and for the first three quarters of 1990 exceeded the amount of dividends declared and paid.

TIS Mortgage Investment Company is a San Francisco-based REIT which invests in various mortgage assets, including Residual Interests in Collateralized Mortgage Obligation (CMO) Bonds. The company commenced operations on Aug. 26, 1988.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America has announced the appointments of two new senior vice presidents in its World Banking Group, Alan Paul Chappell and Arun Duggal.

Chappell, 37, manages its London Foreign Exchange Trading Centre. With Bank of America since 1985, he began his career in 1970, with Hambros Bank as a London-based foreign exchange trader.

Chappell moved to Merrill Lynch International-London in 1977, and joined Chemical Bank a year later as chief foreign exchange dealer in London. In 1983, he was named manager of Chemical Bank's Frankfurt operations, the position he held prior to joining Bank of America.

Duggal, 44, directs the International Private Banking Division's sales and investment management activities in Hong Kong. He joined the bank in San Francisco in 1974, and served for four years in a variety of branch and regional credit and marketing positions in India.

Duggal was assigned to Asia Division Strategic and Operations Planning in Singapore in 1979, and, in 1981, moved to the New York Corporate Office Energy Section, where he progressed to section head, the position he held prior to assuming his current responsibilities in September.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - PS Group Inc. (NYSE:PSG) announced Friday that it will, on Jan. 15, 1991, redeem all of its issued and outstanding 14 percent senior notes due 1993.

There are currently $21,928,000 principal amount of the notes outstanding. The redemption price will be at 101.5 percent of par, or $1,015.00 for each $1,000 of face value. Interest on the notes will continue to accrue to Jan. 15, 1991, and will cease to accrue thereafter. Accrued interest will be paid at the time of redemption.

The notes currently trade on the New York Stock Exchange. No redemption will be made prior to the redemption date.

Citibank N.A., currently the trustee under the indenture for the notes, will act as paying agent in connection with the redemption. Citibank's address is 5 Hanover Square, New York, 10043, attn: Corporate Trust Department.

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Lawrence A. Guske, 619/546-5001

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GOLDEN, Colo. (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Horizon Gold Corp. (NASDAQ:HRIZ), formerly Horizon Gold Shares Inc., Friday announced sales of precious metals of $1,943,601 and a net loss of $722,058, or 3 cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The net loss included foreign exchange losses of $467,160, principally an unrealized foreign exchange loss related to Horizon's subordinated convertible debentures payable in Swiss francs, and a gain on early extinguishment of debt of $240,484 related to the subordinated debentures. The net loss also included noncash depreciation and depletion expense of $603,543.

John E. Watson, chairman of the Golden-based precious metals producing company said that the net loss is the result of Horizon winding up its current projects at Buffalo Valley Mine and Tuscarora Gold Mines, and beginning work on several larger scale projects with more significant long-range potential.

He noted that Horizon's net loss for the current quarter included exploration expenses of $251,116 on the new properties.

Horizon is currently involved in development activities at its new Dixie Comstock Mine, located in Churchill County, Nev., exploration activities at the Hope Butte property, located in Malheur County, Ore., and in preliminary studies at its Mt. Chase base and precious metals deposit, located in Penobscot, Maine.

Assuming that all permits can be obtained on a timely basis, Horizon expects gold production to commence at the Dixie Comstock property in early 1991. Based on preliminary analysis, Horizon expects gold production of approximately 25,000 ounces per year at Dixie Comstock.

Watson also noted that in August 1990, Horizon's stockholders voted to change its name from Horizon Gold Shares Inc. to Horizon Gold Corp. to better reflect the activities of the company.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Transco Energy Co. reported a net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30 of $6.7 million, or 23 cents per common share, compared with net income of $34.4 million, or $1.20 per common share, for the third quarter of 1989.

The 1990 results include a charge to earnings of $10.5 million, or 36 cents per common share, for Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corp.'s (TGPL) share of additional producer settlement costs that are not recoverable from its customers. Excluding this charge, net income for the quarter was $3.8 million or 13 cents per share.

Last year's results included a gain of $69.4 million, or $2.42 per common share, on the initial liquidating distribution by Transco Exploration Partners

Ltd., partially offset by charges of $25.9 million, or 90 cents per common share, related to the effects and timing of the approval of a TGPL customer settlement.

Excluding these items, Transco's net loss was $9.1 million, or 32 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989. Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $651 million, compared with $632 million for the like time a year ago.

Transco's consolidated net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $27.0 million, or 93 cents per common share, which includes the charge mentioned above and a $10.6 million, or 37 cents per share, gain related to the approval of a Texas Gas rate case settlement.

These results compare with net income of $71.0 million, or $2.48 per common share, for the like period in 1989, which includes the gain and charges mentioned above, as well as a $13.7 million, or 48 cents per share, gain from the sale of 50 percent of Transco Energy Ventures Co.'s interests in certain power generation projects.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $2.3 billion, compared with $2.1 billion a year ago.

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CARLSBAD, CA (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - GASCARD Inc. of Carlsbad on Friday announced that Lindsay B. Holland, who has been chairman of the board of GASCARD since May 1988, has accepted the position of chief executive officer effective Dec. 1, 1990.

Holland is currently vice president of Barney Holland Oil Co., a Texaco petroleum marketer and major GASCARD franchisee located in Fort Worth, Texas. Holland graduated from Princeton University and holds a master of business administration degree from the University of Texas at Arlington.

He was instrumental in the development of Barney Holland Oil's GASCARD franchise from its inception in 1985 to a $7 million business. He and his family will relocate to the San Diego area early next year.

Although Moore will concentrate on the management of GASCARD's largest franchisee, West Texas Gas, the company will retain the benefit of his wisdom and experience as a member of GASCARD's board of directors.

Thomas L. Jewell will continue to serve as the company's president and chief operating officer. Jewell added: ''I know that all of GASCARD's employees and franchisees will be as pleased as I am by the selection of Mr. Holland and

welcome the opportunity to work with him.''

GASCARD provides fuel management services to tens of thousands of commercial fleets that transact over 12 million gallons of fuel per month through more than 2,000 locations operating in 39 states.

GASCARD has developed and markets nationally a comprehensive card-activated fuel management system designed to reduce commercial and governmental fleet fueling costs.

The GASCARD system can prevent unauthorized purchases, lower accounting, administrative and other costs of fleet fueling, and eliminate or lessen the environmental risks of underground fuel storage tank ownership or operation.

Each billing cycle, the GASCARD system reports complete fleet fueling transaction data -- date, time, site, vehicle, driver, odometer, miles per gallon, cents per mile, product, volume, price, extension and excise tax details -- that fleet managers can use to maximize fleet efficiency.

Through the company's franchisees, which are typically independent petroleum marketers, the GASCARD system is marketed primarily for use by local and regional delivery, sales and service fleets, such as fuel and beverage distributors, overnight package delivery services, taxis, public utilities and governmental agencies.

The company was originally organized in May 1981 and went public through an offering of its common stock in March 1987. In January 1990, the U.S. Patent Office issued Patent No. 4,891,503 to GASCARD for its Distributed Authorization System.

This sophisticated database management program automatically maintains individualized subsets of the company's national database in local point-of-sale terminals, which enables them to authorize and process transactions almost instantaneously without recourse to GASCARD's central computer and thus at a greatly reduced telecommunications cost.

GASCARD's common stock is traded on the over-the-counter market.

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IRVINE, CALIF (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - AST Research (Far East) Ltd. has received an industry quality award for electronics and electrical products from the Hong Kong government's industry department.

The commendation, called the ''Governor's Award for Industry: Quality,'' was established in 1989 to promote appreciation for the importance of quality among Hong Kong's manufacturers. The award, which recognizes effective quality management, was granted following a competition among companies doing business in Hong Kong. It is one of the most prestigious honors presented to a Hong Kong business.

AST Far East is a wholly owned subsidiary of AST Research Inc. (NASDAQ:ASTA).

''AST is committed to providing customers with the best products and services by continuing to apply strict rules and regulations in design, manufacturing, marketing and support,'' said Billie Lui, director of AST Research's Hong Kong manufacturing facility. ''Backed by a dedicated quality-assurance department, the company's products are enhanced through a stringent quality-management system.''

Entries are evaluated on product excellence and how a company's quality-management system eliminates delays and rejections during the manufacturing process and consumer complaints. Judges review product testing, performance, value, safety, manufacturing and materials sourcing.

''The basis for AST's success has been its commitment to producing exceptional products for its customers,'' said Tom Yuen, AST's chief operating officer. ''The award will assist AST's ongoing efforts to meet the computer industry's highest standards of quality.''

AST Research Inc. is a leading manufacturer of high-performance personal and notebook computers, enhancement and data communication products. AST's dual-brand product line, which features the Premium and Bravo families, allows users to choose from a full range of price and performance options.

AST is represented in 89 countries and operates 27 subsidiaries and sales offices worldwide. According to InfoCorp, an industry research firm, AST ranks third in U.S. dealer channel sales of 386SX-based systems and fourth in worldwide sales of 486-based systems.

AST Research corporate headquarters are located at 16215 Alton Parkway, P.O. Box 19658, Irvine, Calif. 92713-9658. Telephone: 714/727-4141; fax: 714/727-9355.

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EL PASO, TEXAS (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Texscan Corp. (NASDAQ:TXCND) Friday announced it has received two major fiber optic contracts in Europe totaling $2.1 million.

The systems will be installed on separate projects in the United Kingdom and in France.

The two contracts are for an extension of the Docklands Light Railway fiber optic transmission and monitoring system in London and for high-performance CATV FM Fiber Links in Lille, France. The FM Fiber Link order placed through the company's French subsidiary, Texscan S.A., is the largest of its kind received by the company.

These new contracts come six weeks after the announcement of $2.3 million in fiber optic system integration contracts in the United Kingdom.

John Aston, director of technology for Texscan's European businesses, noted: ''Receipt of these contracts of diverse fiber optic applications demonstrates the breadth of fiber optic technology that Texscan is able to deliver. This customer affirmation of both our fiber optic system integration capabilities for transport, and for CATV, is a satisfying reward to our commitment to fiber optics.''

Texscan said its European order input through October 1990 is substantially ahead of last year's results and expects its European operations to pace Texscan's future growth.

With headquarters in El Paso, Texscan Corp. is a leading designer and manufacturer of a broad line of distribution and commercial insertion products for the cable television industry, and a large-scale fiber optic systems integrator.

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DUNCAN, SC (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - ROSS COSMETICS DISTRIBUTION CENTERS INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: RCDC) Friday announced record net sales and net income for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Aug. 31.

For the fourth quarter ended Aug. 31, net sales incressed to $4,433,415 from net sales of $4,281,947 for the same quarter last year. The company reported net income for the fourth quarter of $100,555, or 3 cents per share, as compared to a net loss of $76,112, or (2 cents) per share, for the fourth quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989.

Net sales for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31 increased 8.3 percent to $18,185,273 from $16,794,812 for fiscal 1989. Net income for the fiscal year improved substantially to $387,248, or 12 cents per share, from net income of $62,350, or 2 cents per share, for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1989.

ROSS COSMETICS DISTRIBUTION CENTERS INC. is engaged in formulating, marketing and distributing an extensive line of proprietary beauty products including fashion fragrances, contemporary cosmetics and health and beauty aids.

The products are marketed through the company's wholly owned subsidary, Apple Cosmetics Inc., to over 10,000 customers worldwide including drug and department stores, mass merchandisers, retail outlets, and wholesalers.

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CRANFORD, NJ (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Tofutti Brands Inc. (AMEX:TOF) Friday announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Net sales for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990, were $1,442,000 compared to net sales of $2,110,000 for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1989. The company reported net income of $52,000, or 1 cent per share, compared to a net loss of $100,000, or 2 cents per share, reported in the comparable 13 weeks last year.

For the 39 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990, net sales were $4,173,000 compared to $6,361,000 for 39 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1989. The company reported net income of $5,000, or 0 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $246,000, or 5 cents per share, reported in the comparable period last year.

Tofutti Brands Inc. is principally involved in the development, production and marketing of Tofutti brand nondairy frozen desserts which contain no cholesterol or butterfat.

The company markets Tofutti in hard-pack pints, Tofutti Cuties, Tofutti Fruttis, ''Better Than Cheesecake,'' ''Better Than Creamcheese'' and Egg Watchers. Tofutti products are sold in grocery stores, supermarkets and retail stores.

Tofutti Brands Inc. and Subsidiaries
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(in thousands, except per share figures)

	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	Sept. 29	Sept. 30	Sept. 29	Sept. 30

	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$1,442	$2,110	$4,173	$6,361
Cost of Sales	873	1,242	2,503	3,754
Gross Profit	569	868	1,670	2,607
Operating Expenses	498	952	1,637	2,763
Operating Income (Loss)	71	(84)	33	(156)
Interest and Sundry Expense	18	16	26	57
Income (Loss) Before Income Tax Expense	53	(100)	7	(213)
Income Tax Expense	1	0	2	33
Net Income (Loss)	$ 52	$ (100)	$ 5	$(246)
Net Income (Loss) Per Common Share	1 cent	(2 cents)	0 cents	(5 cents)
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	5,439	5,439	5,439	5,439

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AVENEL, NJ (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Concord Camera Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: LENS) Friday announced record revenues and net income for the first quarter ended Sept. 30.

Net sales for the first quarter increased 68 percent to $15,524,179 from $9,265,235 reported for the comparable quarter last year.

Net income increased 117 percent to $1,790,328, or 42 cents per share, for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, compared to net income of $825,405, or 20 cents per share, for the first quarter last year.

The company attributed its strong first quarter results to increased sales volume in the United States as a result of orders received from retailers for the upcoming holiday season.

In addition, sales were favorably impacted by the performance of the company's German, Canadian and Illinois subsidiaries which commenced operations after Sept. 30, 1989.

The company's revenues also benefited from sales under its previously announced agreement to manufacture computer peripherals on an Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) basis as well as the first operating profit from its Hungarian joint venture established in May 1989.

Commenting on the results, Jack C. Benun, chairman, CEO and president of

Concord Camera Corp. said, ''We are extremely pleased with our first quarter results, especially given the continued weakness in the retail market. Historically, Concord has always performed well in the first quarter of its new fiscal year. The company anticipates that profitability will continue through its second fiscal quarter and we are encouraged that year to year comparative results for fiscal 1991 versus fiscal 1990 will evidence continued improvement for Concord Camera Corp.''

Concord Camera Corp., is principally engaged in the manufacture and sale of inexpensive 35 millimeter and 110 cartridge cameras which it manufactures and assembles in the People's Republic of China under the CONCORD and ARGUS trademarks as well as under private label.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - In-Store Advertising, Inc. (NASDAQ:ISAN) Friday reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990.

For the third quarter of 1990, advertising revenues increased 59% to $3.4 million from $2.1 million in the same quarter of 1989. The net loss for the quarter was $3.2 million or $0.43 per share, compared to a net loss of $1.1 million or $0.17 per share in the same period of 1989. Weighted average shares in the 1990 third quarter increased 15% to 7,395,623 due to the Company's initial public offering.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, advertising revenues increased 272% to $13.8 million compared to $3.7 million reported for the same period of 1989. The net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $3.6 million or $0.53 per share, compared to a net loss of $3.3 million or $0.52 per share for the same period of 1989. Weighted average shares in the first nine months of 1990 increased 5% to 6,752,338 due to the initial public offering.

As expected, while advertising revenues continued to increase during the third quarter compared to the same period of 1989, the rate of growth did not match the increase achieved in the first half of the year.

Nonetheless, the Company continued to make progress in third quarter store installations which reached 3,133 at the end of the 1990 third quarter compared to 2,662 at the end of the 1990 second quarter and 1,133 at the end of the 1989 third quarter. The Company has 6,124 stores under contract and expects to have a total of 3,600 stores installed by the end of 1990. New supermarket chains that have enrolled in the Company's program since August 1, 1990 include Kroger stores in Louisville and Indiana; Giant Eagle; Waldbaum's;

Stop & Shop; as well as Canada's largest supermarket chain, the A&P and Dominion stores.

This brings the total number of chains under contract to more than 50, further enhancing In-Store Advertising's leadership in the rapidly growing in-store electronic advertising segment.

The aggressive capital expansion program has contributed to the loss the Company incurred in the third quarter and nine months due to increases in depreciation expense, revenue sharing reimbursements, installation expense, and interest expense for financing equipment costs, all of which were not sufficiently offset by increased revenues.

In-Store Advertising, Inc. delivers advertising and promotional messages from national consumer product companies to shoppers at the point of purchase through its network of in-store electronic signs.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Computer Systems Inc. (ASKI) reaffirmed Friday that its common stock is eligible to be margined under Federal Reserve Board rules.

On Oct. 23, ASK moved its common stock from trading on the NASDAQ National Market System to NASDAQ's regular over-the-counter market. Prior to that move, ASK had received confirmation from the Federal Reserve Board that ASK shares would continue to be marginable after becoming a NASDAQ regular OTC stock.

The announcement came as a result of a report that Prudential Bache had inadvertently indicated that the stock was not marginable.

ASK Computer Systems is a leading supplier of management information systems, relational databases and application development tools. It recently completed its tender offer for Ingres Corp. of Alameda, Calif.

ASK also completed a $60 million equity investment in the company by EDS Corp. of Dallas and Hewlett-Packard Company of Palo Alto, Calif., representing 30 percent of ASK's outstanding shares.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Nov. 9, 1990, YES Clothing Co. (YSCO/NASDAQ) today announced financial results for its fiscal second quarter and six months ended September 30.

The net loss for the second quarter was $360,000, or $0.09 per share compared with net income of $576,000, or $0.18 per share for the corresponding quarter a year ago.

Weighted average shares outstanding for the 1990 second fiscal quarter were 3.82 million, or 20 percent greater than the 3.18 million in the comparable period last year. Sales for the second quarter were $7,676,000 as compared to $10,634,000 in the comparable 1989 period.

For the six months ended September 30, 1990, net income was $407,000 or $0.11 per share, compared to $1,342,000 or $0.42 per share in the same period a year ago. Sales for the 1990 six months were $17,979,000 versus $21,488,000 in the corresponding 1989 period. George Randall, chairman of the board, commented, ''Sluggish demand at retail caused our sales results in the quarter to be softer than expected. Given our ability to remain flexible, our gross margins for the six months remained stable, but were offset by an increase in planned expenses which are intended to better position the company going forward.

''During these six months we incurred costs relating to the start-up of our men's and children's lines, the opening of four new showrooms and an increased advertising program. We are encouraged by the initial results from our new lines, and the further strengthening of the YES brand name, and believe these expenses are important investments for our future growth.''

YES Clothing Co. designs, contract manufactures and distributes women's, men's and children's apparel to department and specialty stores in the United States, Canada, Europe and Japan.

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DENVER (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Tele-Communications Inc. Friday disclosed that the U.S. Tax Court has found in favor of TCI and its historic practice of amortizing franchise costs for tax purposes.

The decision establishes the principle that cable television franchises are amortizable under Section 1253 of the Internal Revenue Code over the remaining life of the franchise not to exceed 10 years.

Also the case establishes the valuation principle that non-deductible goodwill does not exist and should not reduce the amortizable tax basis of a cable television franchise.

Although the amount at issue in this specific case is relatively small, the principles established for TCI and others in the industry are material, the company said. TCI will, as a result, have no material change in its tax filings, historical or prospective, for systems purchased in the past.

The Internal Revenue Service is entitled to appeal the decision, but the company is unaware of its intentions to do so at this time.

Tele-Communications Inc. is traded over-the-counter with Class A common stock and Class B common stock trading separately under symbols TCOMA and TCOMB, respectively. The company's 11-1/8 percent senior subordinated debentures, 7 percent convertible subordinated debentures, and TCI Rights are traded in the over-the-counter markets, the latter two under the symbols of TCOMH and TCOMR, respectively.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - HSC Software Friday announced that Merisel Inc. (NASDAQ:MSEL) has exclusive national U.S. distribution rights to HSC Software's family of multimedia products starting with the workstation version and LAN version of SantaFe Media Manager, a multimedia database package that allows users to store and retrieve still images, video, audio and text.

The SantaFe Media Manager, first in a series of products to be introduced under the SantaFe Interface, uses Borland's Paradox as an underlying engine, creating a powerful multimedia database. The product can be used as a front end to all leading database products and is fully compatible with Paradox 3.5.

In addition to exclusive U.S. distribution of HSC's multimedia products, Merisel has agreed to distribute the SantaFe Media Manager and the SantaFe Media Manager LAN through its international subsidiaries.

Other international distributors of both products include: HAL Peripherals, located in the United Kingdom; Megavision in Australia; Samsung Information

Systems in Korea; Computergraphix in Switzerland and Germany; and Ross Hill International Inc. in Scandanavia.

The SantaFe Media Manager LAN version sells for $895 with each node selling for $150. The workstation version sells for $595.

Merisel, formerly Softsel/Microamerica, is one of the largest distributors of microcomputer hardware and software products to computer resellers worldwide. The company presently stocks over 7,000 products from more than 400 hardware and software manufacturers for sale to 50,000 computer resellers worldwide.

HSC Software is a privately held publisher of industry leading PC graphics software including the Graphics Link Plus+ and HSC Image Tools. Based in Santa Monica, Calif., HSC's mission is to bring the highest level of PC audio and visual information, graphics and multimedia management capabilities to the desktop.

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ALAMEDA, CA (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Aquanautics Corp. (NASDAQ:AQNT) Friday reported a net loss of $398,000, or 2 cents per share, on revenues of $399,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

This compares with net income of $8,000, or 0 cents per share, on revenues of $677,000 for the like period a year ago.

''Our $2.5 million, 18-month joint development project with ZapatA Industries, which has resulted in the introduction of the SmartCap oxygen-absorbing bottle cap liner, has ended, as have several Small Business Innovative Research Grants from various military funding sources,'' said N. Ross Buckenham, president and chief executive officer.

''The quarterly loss reflects the resulting lower revenues, as well as higher development expenses associated with the brewery testing of SmartCap closures and related general and administrative costs.''

Aquanautics is a development stage separations and specialty chemical company producing new oxygen control technologies for food, medical, industrial and defense markets.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - HSC Software Friday announced the LAN version of its multimedia software program, the SantaFe Media Manager.

The SantaFe Media Manager LAN, the second product released under the SantaFe Interface, allows users to store and retrieve still images, video, audio and text. The product supports all major LANs, including Netware, Vines and LAN Manager and will be distributed by Merisel (NASDAQ:MSEL) in an exclusive agreement and internationally in a non-exclusive agreement.

SantaFe Media Manager LAN capabilities can be used in a variety of applications, including business presentations, education and training environments, desktop communications, presentation graphics, video and film studios, casting departments, audio applications and security environments.

The product allows users to present still image and/or video clips in a selected sequence accompanied by audio and display and/or append them on several networked terminals. Two types of nodes are available, one allowing individual users to append and view databases and another that allows viewing and playback only.

The SantaFe Media Manager's ability to store photo-realistic still images and video in industry standard files (PCX, GIF, TGA and FLI) allows users to store previous work in a powerful, organized, easily accessable way to multiple users at one time.

The ability to record, store and playback from databases that can be created or appended for sound effects, music or voice is also provided.

The product uses Borland's Paradox as an underlying engine, creating a fully relational database. The product can be used as a front end to all leading database products and is fully compatible with Paradox 3.5.

HSC Software is a privately held publisher of industry leading PC graphics software including the Graphics Link Plus+ and HSC Image Tools. Based in Santa Monica, Calif., HSC's mission is to bring the highest level of PC audio and visual information, graphics and multimedia management capabilities to the desktop.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Friday announced that Carol R. Goldberg has resigned from the company's board of directors.

Goldberg, who joined the board in March 1989, said earlier this year she would resign when Lotus merged with Novell Inc. and the two companies' boards were consolidated. When the proposed merger did not occur, Goldberg agreed to continue to serve on the board to complete several projects. Those projects have been completed.

''Carol's knowledge of the retail business has been especially valuable to the board,'' said Jim Manzi, Lotus' president, chief executive officer and chairman of the board. ''We appreciate her efforts on Lotus' behalf and wish her well in future endeavors.''

Goldberg is president of The AVCAR Group Ltd., a consulting firm specializing in retailing. Until November 1989, she had been president and chief operating officer of The Stop & Shop Companies Inc. of Boston.

Goldberg continues to serve on the boards of directors of The Gillette Co. and the Putnam Fund Group, of which she is trustee/director.

Lotus' board of directors now comprises Manzi; Chester Siuda, general partner, Crown Associates; Aldo Papone, president and chief operating officer of the American Express Travel Related Services Company Inc.; and Lawrence Graev, partner in the New York law firm of O'Sullivan Graev & Karabell.

Lotus Development Corp. (NASDAQ:LOTS), founded in 1982, develops, markets and supports business software and CD-ROM databases that help users access, analyze, communicate and share information.

The company's first product, Lotus 1-2-3, is the most popular personal computer software program in the world with more than 14 million users. Lotus markets its broad range of products in more than 65 countries and offers users comprehensive support options, including 24-hour-a-day, seven-day-a-week support in the U.S. for PC versions of its 1-2-3 spreadsheet.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Grubb & Ellis Co. (NYSE:GBE) Friday announced it has taken a series of action steps resulting in a restructuring charge of $15.3 million in the third quarter which will reduce the company's operating expenses by over $25 million in 1991.

The company reported a total net loss for the third quarter of $23,093,000, or $1.40 per share, including a $3.8 million operating loss resulting from continued revenue weakness in eastern commercial brokerage and appraisal and consulting operations and the California residential market.

Revenue for the third quarter was $81,550,000. This compares to revenue of $95,142,000 and net income of $1,569,000, or 9 cents per share, for the like period in 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company posted a net loss of $27,795,000, or $1.70 per share, from revenue of $243,074,000. This compares to net income of $163,000, or 1 cent per share, from revenue of $263,857,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

The $15.3 million charge includes a charge to goodwill as well as reserves for severance and closing costs for 15 offices which will be closed or franchised. The company also said it would reduce its workforce of 5,300 by 400 employees and salespersons in various operations nationwide.

The charge also includes additional reserves for joint ventures and partnerships in the company's Texas operations.

The company said the charges and write-downs reflect its efforts to restructure the company's operations in response to a difficult real estate environment.

In another matter, the company announced that The Prudential Insurance Company of America, Grubb & Ellis' sole lender, has recently agreed to provide an additional $5 million, two-year unsecured revolving credit facility to support the company's future liquidity requirements. Final documentation for this facility is expected to be completed by year-end.

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EINDHOVEN, NETHERLANDS (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Philips intends to establish a new product division for its semiconductor activities, which are now part of the Components Product Division, so that it can react better to the rapid changes in this competitive market.

The new division, to be called the Semiconductors Product Division, will be established as from January 1, 1991.

H.W. Hagmeister, who is currently responsible for worldwide IC activities

within the Components Division, will be entrusted with the management of this new division. He will report to H. Bodt, who will be a member of Philips' group management committee as from December 1.

At present, the Components Product Division consists of the following business units: Integrated Circuits (ICS), Discrete Semiconductors, Display Components, Passive Components, Magnetic Products and Liquid Crystal Displays (LCDs). As from January 1, the Integrated Circuits and Discrete Semiconductors business units will form the new Semiconductors Division.

The Components Product Division will then consist of the following business units: Display Components, Passive Components, Magnetic Products and LCDs.

W. de Kleuver, chairman of the Components Division and member of Philips' group management committee, will remain responsible for this division.

The present Philips Components Division has about 75,000 employees worldwide, of which about two-thirds will work in that division. The rest will be employed in the semiconductors division. The industrial activities are already set up per business unit so that the consequences of the intended organizational change will be minimal. However, it cannot be ruled out that there may be consequences for the central support and staff departments of the division, which employ approximately 800 people in the Netherlands.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Group Inc. (AIG), and Kokusai Securities, one of the largest securities firms in Japan, have announced they have successfully completed the offering of a new retail mutual fund, the High Life Fund. Forty million dollars was raised to capitalize the fund.

The High Life Fund seeks to achieve capital growth by investing in equity and equity-linked securities of companies engaged in the provision of luxury goods and services. It is expected that the bulk of the funds will be invested in European firms.

The fund manager is AIG Fund Management Ltd., in Dublin, a majority owned subsidiary of AIG. The investment advisor for the Fund is AIG Investment Corp. (AIGIC), a wholly-owned subsidiary of AIG which advises on most of AIG's invested assets outside the United States.

The subadvisors for the fund are Kokusai Investments (Luxembourg), and three

AIG affiliates: Law, Dempsey & Co. (London), Eurinvest Finance (France), and AIG Investment Corp. (Japan).

The High Life Fund was offered to retail Japanese investors through Kokusai Securities, as well as being marketed in the European Community under the UCITS Directive. This is the third mutual fund sponsored by AIG affiliates to be marketed in Japan.

AIG is the leading U.S.-based international insurance organization and the largest underwriter of commercial and industrial insurance in the United States. Its member companies write property, casualty, marine, life and financial services insurance in more than 130 countries and jurisdictions, and are also engaged in a range of other financial services businesses. American International Group Inc.'s common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, as well as the stock exchanges in London, Paris, and Tokyo.

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - JRM Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ:JRMX) announced Friday that it has entered into a definitive agreement with NCO Investors, L.P. (''NCOI'') and DJS Industries Inc. (''DJS'') pursuant to which NCOI and DJS have agreed, subject to certain conditions, to assign to JRM Holdings, their rights to purchase the business and assets of the LeRoi Princeton division of Munsingwear Inc., under an agreement dated Oct. 24.

The LeRoi Princeton division of Munsingwear manufactures and markets children's hosiery, sleepwear and playwear. The division has production facilities in Princeton, Ky.

Also, NCOI and DJS have agreed to purchase approximately 33.4 percent of the outstanding common stock of JRM Holdings from three shareholders of JRM Holdings or their affiliates at approximately $2.44 per share. JRM will exchange certain of its long-term notes receivable for appoximately 18.6 percent of its outstanding common stock owned by shareholders or their affiliates.

These transactions are subject to certain conditions precedent, including obtaining sufficient financing for the acquisition. NCOI is a Delaware limited partnership formed by principals of Nagelvoort & Co. Inc., New York, N.Y., and certain investors.

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#90313b0681 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire
CHARLESTON, S.C. (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - John M. Settle, president of Home Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ:HFSB), Friday announced that the board of directors increased the savings bank's cash dividend by 40 percent to 7 cents per share.

The cash dividend will be payable on Jan. 2, 1991 to stockholders of record as of Dec. 10, 1990.

''The increase in our cash dividend highlights our record results for fiscal 1990,'' stated Settle. ''It follows the payment of our first cash dividend in June of this year. For fiscal 1990, we reported the highest levels of earnings, stockholders' equity, loans and deposits in our history.

''We are pleased with these excellent results and attribute them to our sound loan underwriting standards, our policy of originating adjustable-rate loans, control of general and administrative expenses, and our customer loyalty.''

Home Federal is a federally chartered and insured savings bank operating three full-service offices in Charleston.

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BROOKLYN, N.Y. (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - A Brooklyn Union Gas Co. subsidiary has joined with a subsidiary of Public Service Enterprise Group Inc. in an equal partnership to build, own and operate a cogeneration plant to provide electric power and thermal energy to New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport.

Public Service Enterprise Group is the parent company of Public Service Electric and Gas of New Jersey.

The partnership formed to develop the airport facility is known as KIAC (Kennedy International Airport Cogeneration Partners). It will operate and maintain the plant for an initial period of up to 25 years, providing electricity for the entire airport and heating and cooling for the central terminal area. KIAC will also upgrade and operate the airport's existing heating-and-cooling distribution system.

The new facility, part of the multibillion-dollar JFK redevelopment program being planned by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, will efficiently produce electricity and thermal energy for heating and cooling

from the same fuel source. Since its primary fuel will be natural gas, the plant will be environmentally clean and will displace an estimated one million barrels of imported oil annually.

The Kennedy plant is the third major cogeneration project in which Brooklyn Union affiliates have been involved. Gas Energy Cogeneration Inc. is the largest equity owner in a 50-megawatt plant, now in its second successful year of operations, that supplies heat and power to Long Island's Grumman Corp., as well as excess power to the Long Island Lighting Co.

Other Brooklyn Union affiliates provide fuel-management services to the Grumman facility and another 50-megawatt cogeneration plant now under construction in Uniondale, Long Island, which will supply power to LILCO, and heat and cool Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum, Nassau Community College and other locations.

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#90313b0691 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire

DAYTON, OH (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Automated Teller Machines are going on the road with the First Citizens Bank and Trust Co. in South Carolina. Equipped with an NCR 5084 through-the-wall cash dispenser terminal, the blue Mobile ATM truck travels throughout South Carolina and provides quick and convenient access to cash.

"We are taking banking to the people through this ATM on wheels," said R.W. Braswell, CEO and executive vice president, First Citizens Bank and Trust Co. The First Citizens Bank ATM was first used on Sept. 14, at the Anderson County Fair in South Carolina where "the acceptance and exposure to the Mobile ATM was great," according to Braswell.

The Mobile ATM will now travel to the South Carolina State Fair, as well as horse races, auctions and football games, including the South Carolina/Clemson and Florida State games.

The Mobile ATM is housed in the two-ton truck with a step-up platform for easy access, and a canopy for weather protection. The unit is equipped with dial-up telephone services and a satellite service enabling the Mobile ATM to operate anywhere in the state.

The Mobile ATM has Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC), state approval and operates as a branch of First Citizens Bank. In each location, the Mobile ATM is staffed by a delegate from the local office of First Citizens Bank.

"The NCR 5084 through-the-wall cash dispensing unit used on the Mobile ATM is

ideal for this environment because of its small footprint, durability, and high level of security," said Raymond Miolla, vice president of NCR's Financial Systems Divison. The NCR 5084 is also equipped with a receipt and journal printer, along with a card reader. For security, it has a UL-291/TL-15 security enclosure.

First Citizens Bank and Trust Company of South Carolina provides a broad range of services throughout its 89 offices in 51 communities. First Citizens Bank and Trust Co. is a subsidiary of First Citizens Bankcorporation of South Carolina Inc., a one-bank holding company headquartered in Columbia, S.C., with assets of $1.3 billion as of June 30, 1990.

NCR is the worldwide leader in ATM installations. NCR, based in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets, installs and services business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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#90313b0696 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire

CORAL GABLES, FL (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Cruise America, the largest company in North America principally involved in the sale and rental of recreational vehicles, has initiated a program that could potentially refund up to $2 million in gasoline costs to customers.

The offer, which includes refunds of up to $1,500 in gasoline costs per vehicle, is good on any of over 1,500 Cruise America or Cruise Canada late model motorhomes, purchased at retail from any of Cruise America's 25 sales centers throughout the United States and Canada. The offer expires Dec. 31.

"The concept is simple," says Robert Smalley Jr., vice president. "Retail purchasers need to save their gasoline charge and cash receipts as proofs of purchase, and return them to Cruise America, along with a short transmittal form when they've reached the $1,500 mark." "At that point Cruise America will send out a refund check for up to that amount," he adds.

"To further simplify things," says Austin Ross, national director of sales, "we've developed a special form with a pouch to store gasoline credit card and cash receipts."

"In light of rising gasoline prices, we feel this promotion will be very well received."

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#90313b0700 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire
DECATUR, AL (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - William D. Powell, president and chief executive officer of First Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ/NMS: FFSD), Decatur, Friday announced that First Federal's board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 15 cents per share on the savings bank's common stock. The cash dividend will be payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Nov. 30, 1990.

"Last quarter, our Board of Directors authorized a 50 percent increase in our cash dividend to 15 cents per share in recognition of our excellent financial performance in fiscal year 1990," stated Powell. "We believe the continued improvement in our earnings at year-end underscore the strength and stability of First Federal."

First Federal is a federally chartered, and FDIC-insured savings bank operating six full-service offices in north Alabama.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwest Airlines will hold a press conference at Las Vegas McCarran International Airport for its inaugural flight No. 887 to Las Vegas on Thursday, Nov. 15.

The press conference will be held promptly at 8:15 a.m. at Southwest Airlines gate area.

Photo opportunities will be available at the ribbon cutting ceremonies officiated by John Denison, executive vice president, and Jeff Liesenfelt, station manager, for Southwest Airlines with airport and city officials assisting.

Arrangements can be made for photos to be taken of the Southwest Airlines Boeing 737 jet as it lands or takes off by contacting Fiona Cross-Mesko at 702/731-3335.

Media representatives who would like to fly on the inaugural flight should also contact Fiona Cross-Mesko.

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Melanie Jones, 214/904-4413.

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OAKLAND, CA (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwest Airlines will hold a press conference at Oakland International Airport for its inaugural flight 568 to Reno on Thursday, Nov. 15.

The press conference will be held promptly at 9:15 a.m. at Southwest Airlines gate area.

Photo opportunities will be available at the ribbon cutting ceremonies officiated by Vice President-Ground Operations Jim Wimberly and Station Manager Ray Boatman of Southwest Airlines with city and airport officials assisting.

Arrangements can be made for photos to be taken of the Southwest Airlines Boeing 737 jet as it lands or takes off by contacting Liz Soto, area marketing manager for Southwest Airlines at 415/344-2818.

Media representatives who would like to fly on the inaugural flight should also contact Liz Soto.

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#90313b0726 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire
CHICAGO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The top managers of two of the world's largest communications companies, Chicago-based Ameritech and Paris-based France Telecom, today electronically ''signed'' documents and closed a deal committing their companies to work together to bring customers the full benefits of new communications technologies and services.

In what could become a common form of business meeting in the next decade, Ameritech Chairman and CEO William L. Weiss and France Telecom General Director Marcel Roulet met and discussed, reviewed, exchanged and signed documents. But they encountered no airport delays. There was no mind-fogging and energy-sapping jet lag and they returned to their daily business routines minutes after the meeting was completed.

Also missing was a congratulatory handshake. The reason: the two executives were 4,100 miles and seven time zones apart.

Ameritech and France Telecom are world leaders in the application of ISDN technology to solving communications needs. Illinois Bell, an Ameritech unit, pioneered the U.S. application of ISDN in 1986 at the world headquarters of McDonald's Corporation and was the first U.S. telephone company to make ISDN service widely available. France Telecom, the national telephone company of France, has deployed ISDN capability countrywide. The company anticipates

offering the service to as many as 100,000 customers in 1992 and aggressively is pursuing international ISDN connectivity.

Chicago-based Ameritech is the parent of the Bell companies serving Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin, and of several other companies providing mobile communications, directory publishing, lease financing and audiotex services. Ameritech had 1989 revenues of more than $10 billion.

With annual revenues exceeding $16 billion, France Telecom provides advanced telecommunications services within France and from France to the rest of the world. The organization has 158,000 employees worldwide, with overseas offices in New York, San Francisco, Chicago, Tokyo, Caracas, Djkarta, Singapore, Beijin, London, Brussels, Bonn and soon in Moscow.

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ST. LOUIS (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Late Thursday the Texas Public Utility Commission received a recommendation from two administrative law judges to reject an agreement that would have resolved an investigation into Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.'s earnings.

The law judges said, instead, that the case should go to full hearings because said a PUC release announcing the recommendation, ''Southwestern Bell has failed to present evidence...that the revenue reduction that would be produced by the settlement would be reasonable.''

The release also said the PUC will consider the recommendation at an open meeting scheduled on Nov. 28, at which time it could either adopt the recommendation, approve the settlement and enter a final order, or modify the settlement if the signing parties agree to the changes.

Thursday's announcement follows months of public hearings on Southwestern Bell Telephone's Texas First plan and an agreement that was reached in February between the company and more than 30 interested parties, including the PUC staff.

Texas First calls for customer benefits totaling $1.2 billion over four years, including modernization of 196 central offices, a freeze on basic rates for the next four years and various reductions in rates. It also would provide rate flexibility and changes in how much Southwestern Bell Telephone can earn in Texas.

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Gary Ford, 314/235-7100

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Petroleum Corp. (NASDAQ:AIPN) announced Friday that it has begun the first shipments of crude oil produced from its Toqui-Toqui oil field in Colombia.

The field started regular production in September 1990 and shipment of the accumulated inventory of approximately 25,000 barrels has begun on Nov. 1, 1990, at the rate of 800 barrels per day to the Baracabermeja Refinery owned by Ecopetrol, the Colombian National Oil Co.

The sales contract with Ecopetrol provides for the purchase of all crude oil produced from the field. The price of crude at any given month is based on the average spot prices of a basket of world market crudes sold during the previous month. The company's share (net after royalties) of the crude oil inventory of about 13,000 barrels is currently being sold for $31/barrel.

American International Petroleum Corp. is engaged in refining, oil and natural gas exploration, production and transportation and marketing activities in Louisiana and Kentucky as well as Colombia, South America.

CONTACT: D.H. Waugh & Associates, New York, Donald Waugh, 212/944-1853

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IRVINE, CA (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - AST Research Inc. (NASDAQ:ASTA) Friday announced that its Hong Kong subsidiary has appointed Allen Lee Peng-fei, a senior member of the city's legislative council, to its board of directors.

''Allen Lee's contributions to the Hong Kong community and his knowledge and experience in the electronics field will be invaluable to AST,'' said Tom Yuen AST's chief operating officer.

Lee is a leading industrialist in Hong Kong and has actively campaigned to introduce modern technology to industry, government and education.

Lee's experience in the electronics field includes positions as chairman of the Electronics Industry Training Board of the Vocational Training Council, the Hong Kong Productivity Council and the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce. Currently he serves as an honorary advisor to the Hong Kong Association for the Advancement of Science and Technology.

AST Research is a leading manufacturer of high-performance personal computers, enhancement and data communication products. AST's dual-brand product line, which features the Premium and Bravo families, allows users to choose from a

full range of price and performance options.

AST is represented in 89 countries and operates 27 subsidiaries and sales offices worldwide. According to InfoCorp, an industry research firm, AST ranks third in U.S. dealer channel sales of 386SX-based systems and fourth in worldwide sales of 486-based systems.

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Joel C. Don, 714/727-7957

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LOUISVILLE, KY (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Steel Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:STTX) Friday announced that it has declared a cash dividend of 3 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on Dec. 7, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 23, 1990.

On April 27, 1990, the board of directors announced an increase in the company's annual cash dividend to 4 cents per share. A cash dividend of 1 cent per share was made on May 18, 1990. The board of directors has indicated that it intends to pay cash dividends on a semi-annual basis.

As an intermediate steel processor, Steel Technologies processes flat rolled steel to specified thickness, width, temper and finish requirements for automotive, appliance, communications, electrical, machinery and office equipment industries, among others.

The company's common stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol STTX.

CONTACT: Steel Technologies Inc., Louisville, Timothy M. Graven, 502/245-2110

-30- 1150
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ASHLAND, KY (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Addington Resources Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ADDR) Friday reported higher coal sales for the third quarter but lower overall revenues and net income.

Net coal sales for the Ashland-based coal producer and marketer increased 9 percent to $66.5 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $61.1 million for the same period in 1989. The company sold approximately 2 million tons of coal during the quarter, up from 1.86 million tons the prior period.

Net income for the quarter was $2.2 million, or 15 cents per share, compared with $2.8 million, or 23 cents per share, for the comparable quarter of 1989. Average shares outstanding in 1990 and 1989 were 15.2 million and 12.3 million shares, respectively. Revenues declined to $67.3 million during the third quarter from $72.6 million in 1989.

President Larry Addington said two subsidiaries shared primary responsibility for declines in third quarter overall revenue and net income.

The company's gold mining subsidiary was sold in January 1990 and did not contribute to revenues and net income during the third quarter of 1990. Mr. Addington said company revenues and net income during the quarter would have remained flat if that subsidiary's results were excluded from prior year figures for comparative purposes.

Addington Resources mines and markets coal and is engaged in developing and operating integrated solid waste disposal systems. Its stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ADDR.

CONTACT: Addington Resources Inc., Ashland
R. Douglas Striebel, 606/928-3433

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AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - HealthVest (ASE:HVT) Friday announced that Bruce S. Sherman has been appointed to fill an existing vacancy on its the board of trustees.

Sherman is currently chairman of the board and president of Private Capital Management Inc. in Naples, Fla. Private Capital Management is a registered investment advisor and manager for the Collier family and outside clients.

Sherman is also president of the Financial Asset Management Group of Collier Enterprises and president and director of Collier Financial Services Inc., as well as a member of the board of directors of Local Federal Bank in Oklahoma, a $1.5 billion institution.

Private Capital Management holds for its clients a 9.3 percent interest in HealthVest.

HealthVest is a self-administered Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) that invests in income-producing health care-related properties including psychiatric, general health and rehabilitation hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, retirement centers, medical office buildings, medically oriented fitness centers, and facilities offering other related health care products and services.

HealthVest is listed on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol HVT.

CONTACT: Corporate Communications Inc., Nashville, Tenn.
Patrick J. Watson, 615/254-3376

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LOUISVILLE, KY (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - SKOLNIKS Inc. (NASDAQ:SKNS, Warrants:SKNWS) Friday reported earnings results for the fiscal year and fourth quarter ended July 28, 1990.

Revenues for fiscal 1990 increased 37 percent to $13,980,256, compared to $10,179,526 last year. System-wide sales were up 51 percent at $15,658,828 vs. $10,332,049. Net income for the year tripled to $242,802, or 11 cents per share, compared to a loss of $142,023, or (6 cents) per share for fiscal 1989.

Fourth quarter sales increased 7.5 percent to $2,546,160 from $2,369,919, while net income for the quarter improved to ($196,300) or (9 cents) per share compared with ($248,741), or (11 cents) per share last year.

SKOLNIKS chairman Joe R. Love said the company was profitable for the year despite taking some write-offs in the fourth quarter. ''We are anticipating another profitable year as we continue our expansion program in 1991. Our concept is gaining acceptance across the country as we take bagels into the mainstream of American society.''

SKOLNIKS operates and franchises 45 bakery/restaurants under the name ''SKOLNIKS BAGEL BAKERY RESTAURANTS'' in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Illinois, New Jersey, Wisconsin, Maryland, Virginia, Kentucky, Iowa, Colorado and Tennessee.

CONTACT: SKOLNIKS Inc.
Joe R. Love, 405/848-1581

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INDIANAPOLIS (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - MSA Realty Corp. announced Friday the completion and funding of first mortgage loans totaling $195,000,000 for 14 of its 15 community shopping centers.

Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. provided the funds for these 10-year fixed rate mortgages.

The shopping centers receiving the financing include: in Illionis, Bloomingdale Court, Bloomingdale; Buffalo Grove Towne Center, Buffalo Grove; Forest Plaza, Rockford; Fox River Plaza, Elgin; Lake Plaza, Waukegan; Lake View Plaza, Orland Park; Lincoln Crossing, O'Fallon; Matteson Plaza, Matteson;

North Ridge Plaza, Joliet; and White Oaks Plaza, Springfield. Other centers include: Northland Plaza, Columbus, Ohio; Regency Plaza, St. Charles, Mo.; St. Charles Towne Plaza, Waldorf, Md.; and Westridge Plaza, Topeka, Kan.

This financing package is one of the largest ever assembled by the Midwest Territory of Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

Jay Rosenfeld, president of MSA Realty Corp., said the completion of this fixed rate financing eliminates the potential future risk of rising interest rates and will help to stabilize the company's participation in the cash flow of these 14 centers.

The refinancing of the balance of the company's portfolio is proceeding, with completion estimated before the end of the year.

MSA Realty Corp.'s shares are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol SSS.

CONTACT: MSA Realty Corp., Indianapolis
J.A. Rosenfeld, 317/263-7030

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Bell announced Friday plans for a package of custom-calling services that can turn a home or business phone into a ''personal secretary,'' showing you who's calling, automatically redialing busy numbers and preventing unwanted calls.

''We plan to introduce seven services next year that will provide considerably greater convenience, control and security in the way customers use the telephone,'' said Ethan Thorman, Pacific Bell product manager for COMMSTARsm services.

''For example, you will be able to see the number of a caller before answering call the last person who tried to call you, and have the phone system automatically redial a busy number and connect you when the line is clear.''

''We're excited about the potential of these services because they make it easier for customers to perform a wide variety of tasks,'' said Bob Lee, Pacific Bell executive vice president for marketing. ''Even better, the benefits aren't limited to any specific segment of customers, but will have value for virtually everyone.''

Pacific Bell is a subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, a diversified worldwide telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

CONTACT: Pacific Bell, San Francisco

Scott E. Smith, 415/542-0597

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OAKLAND, NJ (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Russ Berrie and Co. Inc. (NYSE:RUS), Friday announced net sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, totalled $79,141,000 compared to $77,361,000 for the same period in 1989, an increase of 2 percent.

The company reported net income for the quarter of $12,466,000 or 83 cents per share compared to net income of $11,960,000 or 79 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989, an increase of 4 percent.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales totalled $186,211,000 compared to $189,752,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for the first nine months was $14,261,000 or 95 cents per share, vs. net income of $6,804,000 or 45 cents per share in 1989. Last year's results included a restructuring charge of $9.5 million before taxes (6.2 million after taxes or 41 cents per share).

Russell Berrie, chairman of the board, stated that ''these results are encouraging despite the soft retail market.''

Russ Berrie and Co., Inc. designs and markets an extensive variety of everyday and seasonal impulse gifts to retail stores. Products include stuffed animals ceramic mugs, porcelain gifts, picture frames, greeting cards, figurines, keyrings, magnets, stationery, National Football League and Major League Baseball merchandise and collectible dolls. The company has a direct salesforce of more than 750 men and women. World-wide distribution centers throughout the United States, Canada and England provide strategically located regional facilities to serve customers.

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In Chicago,
Kathy Waller, 312/266-7800

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OAKLAND, NJ (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Russ Berrie and Co. Inc. (NYSE:RUS) declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 15 cents per common share, a 50 percent increase over the previous regular dividend of

10 cents per share.

The board also approved a one-time dividend payment of 60 cents per share. Both are payable on Dec. 7, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 21, 1990.

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Kathy Waller, 312/266-7800

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Belvedere Corp. (AMEX: BLV), announced Friday that its board of directors rejected an unsolicited offer from Belvedere Insurance Co. Ltd., a former subsidiary, to acquire Belvedere's principle subsidiary, Belvedere America Reinsurance Co., for $27 million in cash.

The board determined that sale of Belvedere America is not in the company's interest at this time.

Belvedere Corp., through its subsidiary, Belvedere America Reinsurance Co., a U.S. company, underwrites property and casualty reinsurance.

CONTACT: Belvedere Corp., New York
Donald A. Emeigh Jr., 212/333-9200

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PURCHASE, NY (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM United States Friday announced the appointment of IBM Vice President Robert J. Corrigan as president of the IBM Entry Systems Division (ESD).

Corrigan was president of the IBM Systems Technology Division, Technology Products line of business. In his new position, he will report to James A. Cannavino, IBM vice president and general manager, Personal Systems line of business. Until today's announcement, Cannavino was president of ESD.

In a related announcement, IBM Vice President Lutz F. Hahne was named president of the IBM Systems Technology Division, succeeding Corrigan. Hahne was assistant general manager, financial analysis, IBM United States. He will report to Paul R. Low, IBM vice president and general manager, Technology

Products line of business. Both appointments are effective immediately.

Corrigan joined IBM in 1962 as an engineer in East Fishkill, N.Y. and held a variety of technical and management posts. In 1978 he joined the IBM Eurocoordination staff in Paris, returning to the U.S. in 1981 as manager of manufacturing planning, General Technology Division (GTD).

In 1982 he was named director of manufacturing planning, GTD, and later joined the IBM Endicott staff as manager of site support. In 1983 he was named STD director of manufacturing, director of development in 1984 and STD vice president of development in 1985. He assumed the position of STD vice president and site general manager, Endicott, the same year. He was named president of STD in 1988 and elected an IBM vice president in 1989.

Corrigan holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Manhattan College, Riverdale, N.Y. and a master of science degree in industrial administration from Union College, Schenectady, N.Y.

Hahne joined IBM in 1967 in a field engineering management development program. He subsequently held a number of field management jobs, including branch manager in Chicago and later assistant to the president of the Field Engineering Division. In 1974, Hahne joined the Data Processing Product Group as a financial analyst and later became a manager of business evaluation.

In 1977, Hahne went on an international assignment to IBM Europe as director of financial analysis and director of financial planning. After an assignment in corporate budgets he became director of financial planning, and later director of financial analysis, in the Information Systems and Communications Group.

He returned to Paris as controller of IBM Europe and later became IBM Europe assistant general manager for IBM United Kingdom and IBM France. In 1985, he was named vice president of display products, Communication Products Division (CPD). In 1986 he was named vice president of hardware development, CPD, and in 1987 assistant group executive of plans and controls, Information Systems and Storage Group.

Hahne is a graduate of the University of Toledo where he studied physics under a NASA Fellowship. He also holds a master of business administration degree from the University of Chicago.

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BOSTON (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Friday announced that it has been chosen

by John Hancock Financial Services for a $30 million, three-year contract to provide voice and data communications services to 660 John Hancock locations around the country. The custom network will encompass inbound and outbound voice and data communications services.

"The contract with AT&T will help to stabilize and lower our communications costs over the next three years," said Stephen F. Kelly, Hancock's director of telecommunications. "That, in addition to the high quality and service associated with AT&T, should benefit our staff as well as our customers throughout the country."

John Hancock Financial Services, founded in 1862 and headquartered in Boston, is a major diversified organization. John Hancock Financial Services includes John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., the ninth largest U.S. life insurer, and 21 subsidiaries involved in a broad range of financial services, including mutual funds, securities brokerage, consumer banking, real estate and venture capital.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The new KLM ''Europe by Design'' leisure travel program for winter offers skiers and non-skiers alike the opportunity to enjoy several of Europe's most famous ski resorts -- at affordable prices, plus a special $50 discount if you book by Nov. 30.

Travel is valid now through March 31, 1991.

Discounted seven-night ski vacations are available to Chamonix, France; Interlaken, Switzerland and Kitzbuhel or Innsbruck, Austria. Seven nights in Chamonix or Kitzbuhel begin at $749 per person (New York or Baltimore/Washington departures), Interlaken begins at $729, Innsbruck begins at $679.

Departures are available from all other KLM gateways including: Chicago (add $50), Atlanta (add $90), Houston (add $120), Orlando (add $100), Los Angeles (add $180) and Anchorage (add $230).

Prices include roundtrip transatlantic and intra-European air transportation; choice of top value, first-class or deluxe accommodations; hotel service charges and taxes; buffet breakfast or breakfast and dinner, at selected hotels, for length of stay. Visits to any of 10 European cities for three days or more each can be added to the ski vacations at equally affordable prices.

An illustrated, 112-page magazine called the ''Europe by Design'' Vacation Planner includes information on ski trips and other vacations. To book your ski vacation or obtain a free copy of the Vacation Planner, call 1-800-777-1668 or visit your travel agent.

CONTACT: KLM, Elmsford, N.Y.
Odette Fodor-Gernaert, 914/784-2480
or
O&MPR, New York
Rosanna Maione, 212/951-5427

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DAYTON, OH (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - DPL Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Peter H. Forster, announced that the board of directors elected Jeanne S. Holihan as treasurer of The Dayton Power and Light Co., effective immediately.

Forster said, ''Mrs. Holihan's contributions and experience in the financial areas of the company have significantly impacted the financial performance of the company and has paved the way for this promotion.''

In her new position, Holihan will be responsible for the treasury functions of the company which include financial planning, investor relations, energy forecasting and financial reporting. In addition, she will continue to oversee the company's insurance program including the operations of Miami Valley Insurance Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary of DPL Inc.

Prior to this election to treasurer, Holihan has held numerous positions in the financial areas of the company including her most recent assignment as director of financial planning and administration.

Holihan, age 34, joined DP&L in 1981 as a financial analyst. She received a B.S. in Business Administration from Tusculum College in 1978 and an M.B.A. in Finance from the University of Connecticut in 1980. She is an active member of the local and National Investor Relations Institute.

She and her husband, Leo, reside in Vandalia with their two children, Paul and Amy.

CONTACT: DPL, Dayton
DPL Media Line, 513/224-5940

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TORONTO (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Officeland Inc. (NASDAQ: OFLDF) Friday announced its intention to file a registration statement on Form S-3 with the

Securities and Exchange Commission to register up to a maximum of approximately 5.4 million shares of its common stock on behalf of certain selling shareholders.

The registration of approximately 5.4 million shares of the company's common stock will increase the number of registered shares of common stock of the company from approximately 2.9 million shares to approximately 8.3 million shares.

Officeland Inc. provides collection and office equipment brokering services to financial institutions throughout North America.

CONTACT: Officeland Inc., Toronto, Marvyn A. Budd or Christopher Walker, (416) 736-4000.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - EQK Realty Investors I (NYSE Symbol: EKR) Friday reported its results of operations for the three months ended Sept. 30, showing net funds generated (cash flow) of $2.1 million, or 28 cents per share and net loss of $1.7 million, or 23 cents per share.

For the same quarter in the previous year, net funds generated (cash flow) was $3 million, or 40 cents per share and net loss was $710,000, or 9 cents per share.

Net funds generated (cash flow) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, was $6.7 million, or 88 cents per share and net loss for the same period was $4.3 million, or 57 cents per share.

Net funds generated (cash flow) during the first nine months of 1989 was $8.8 million, or $1.15 per share and net loss for the same period was $1.8 million, or 23 cents per share.

The company's real estate portfolio consists of three properties; Harrisburg East Mall in Harrisburg, Pa.; Castleton Commercial Park in Indianapolis, Ind.; and Peachtree-Dunwoody Pavilion in Atlanta.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Grey Advertising Inc. (OTC) Friday reported third quarter gross billings of $771,406,000 compared with $647,971,000 for the same period in 1989, representing a 19 percent increase.

Income from commissions and fees also increased 19 percent, from $97,147,000 to $115,653,000. Third quarter net income rose by 10 percent to $2,648,000 compared with $2,406,000.

Primary earnings per common share were $1.95 vs. $1.95, for the same period in 1989. The earnings per common share did not increase primarily due to a one-time capital account adjustment affecting Grey's preferred stock.

On a fully diluted basis, third quarter earnings per common share were $1.90, same as last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, gross billings rose by 13 percent to $2,251,092,000 from $1,987,080,000 for the same period in 1989. Income from commissions and fees increased by a like percentage to $337,495,000 from $297,913,000; net income was $10,616,000 vs. $9,853,000, up eight percent.

Primary earnings per common share for the nine months of 1990 was $7.99 compared with $7.45 for an increase of seven percent. Earnings per common share, on a fully diluted basis, was up eight percent to $7.74 from $7.18 in 1989.

CONTACT: Grey Advertising Inc., New York
Steven G. Felsher, 212/546-2440
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LONDON (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - British Gas International Finance BV, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of British Gas plc (NYSE:BRG), has Friday increased the Euroyen issue originally launched on November 1, 1990 by Yen 5 billion to Euroyen 25 billion Bonds due 1992 under the lead management of Daiwa Europe Limited.

The Bonds will be guaranteed By British Gas plc and will carry on an 8 percent coupon.

The Bonds have a final maturity of November 26, 1992 and this second tranche of Yen 5 billion has been issued at a price of 101.275 percent.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers.

British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore. Expertise developed in the gas

business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to ten ordinary shares.

CONTACT: British Gas plc, London
Philip Feakin (London), 011 4471 242 0789 Ext. 4470

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ABITA SPRINGS, LA (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30. 1990, were 17.6 percent higher than the comparable quarter of the previous year.

The sales increase is attributable, in part, to the acquisition of the company's manufacturing subsidiary, Walnut Pharmaceuticals Inc. (''Walnut'') effective Sept. 1, 1989. The results of Walnut's operations are not included in consolidated operating results for periods prior to the acquisition date.

Sales also increased substantially in the company's base business sectors. In addition, sales related to the asset purchase of Optometric Pharmaceuticals Inc. (''Opto-Pharm'') were included since the acquisition date of July 1, 1990, but did not have a significant impact on consolidated net sales.

Net income declined 27.7 percent in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to the same period in 1989 primarily due to a decline in interest income of $71,000, as available funds in fiscal 1990 were used to purchase treasury stock and property, plant and equipment, and to pay out short-term debt associated with the Walnut acqusition.

Also, sales growth attributable to the Walnut and Opto-Pharm acquisitions did not fully offset the additional acquisition and operating costs incurred in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

At a board of director's meeting held on Oct. 27, 1990, the company declared a dividend of $.017 cents per share payable on Dec. 3, 1990 to its shareholders of record as of Nov. 22, 1990.

CONTACT: Akorn Inc., Abita Springs, Barry D. LeBlanc, 504/893-9300

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BILLERICA, MA (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Automatix Inc. reported third quarter results of a net loss of $490,000 or $.03 per share on revenues of $1,752,000. This compares with a net loss of $438,000 or $.02 per share on revenues of $1,966,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

Automatix Inc. provides software products for industry along with OEM robot and control modules including Macintosh compatible industrial computers. Software applications include:

- Image analysis
- Machine vision inspection, gauging and robot guidance
- Adaptive control
- Cell control

The Cognition subsidiary develops and markets mechanical CAD and CAE products for:

- Drafting
- Design
- Engineering
- Expert systems for cost and manufacturability guidance

Founded in January, 1980, Automatix trades in the over-the-counter market under the symbol AITXC.

SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA (in 000's except Per Share Data)

	Q3 1990	Q3 1989	YTD 1990	YTD 1989
Net equipment and software sales and service revenue	$1,752	$1,966	$ 6,178	$5,458
Operating income (loss)	(408)	(381)	(1,101)	(1,654)
Interest expense (net)	(82)	(57)	(214)	(109)
Net income (loss)	$ (490)	$ (438)	$(1,315)	$(1,763)
Per share	$ (.03)	$ (.02)	$ (.07)	$ (.10)
Shares outstanding	18,373	18,363	18,373	18,335

	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Cash and cash equivalence	$ 348	$ 994
Total current assets	$ 2,285	$ 3,058
Total stockholders equity	$(2,760)	$(1,030)
Employment	61	91

CONTACT: Automatix Inc., Billerica, Ofer Gneezy or John A. Rogers, (508) 667-7900.

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#90313b0798 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire

OPELIKA, ALA. (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - James B. Hurst, president and chief executive officer of Eagle Bank, announced Friday that the Superintendent of Banks for the State of Alabama has awarded to Eagle Bank of Alabama the first ever state banking charter to a former federal savings bank.

Eagle proudly accepted the new charter effective Oct. 30.

Eagle's plan of conversion was initially approved in May of 1990 by way of a new law passed in this year's regular session of the Alabama Legislature. John Adams, legislative consultant in Montgomery, Ala., who was instrumental in passage of the new law, stated ''it is encouraging to see a hometown bank better serve its citizens because of this new idea.

''Very few institutions in the entire nation have the foresight to work with the legislative process in the manner that Eagle Bank has. Eagle's employees, board of directors, shareholders and customers have to be very pleased with the new services which can now be offered in the traditional bank areas.''

According to Hurst, ''The board of directors requested the change in the charter in order to more effectively serve the very prosperous East Alabama area. Eagle can operate more efficiently and profitably under the supervision of a state banking regulator and Eagle can now serve an expanded base of accounts including commercial and institutional, as well as individual customers.''

All of Eagle Bank's executive officers are former commercial bankers in the Auburn-Opelika area and believe that their experience will better serve their customers under the new plan.

Herbert J. Lorch, founder of Lorch Diamond Centers and Eagle board chairman, responded, ''the value of Eagle to the community is greatly enhanced by the change in the charter of this progressive company. The small hometown bank is still a great asset to any community and we will now offer more services under the new charter.

CONTACT: Eagle Bank of Alabama, Opelika
James B. Hurst, 205/749-4412

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#90313b0800 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire

ST. CHARLES, MD (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Interstate General Company L.P. (ASE:IGC) Friday reported revenues for the three months ended September 30, 1990, of $14,651,000 and a net income of $83,000, equal to $.01 per unit.

This compares to revenues of $13,903,000 and net income of $2,578,000, equal to $.26 per unit, for the like period in 1989.

The company's revenues for the 1990 nine months were $51,992,000, compared to $42,471,000 for the corresponding period in 1989, and net income was $6,212,000, or $.61 per unit, compared to $9,357,000, equal to $.94 per unit, for the 1989 nine months.

James J. Wilson, President and Chief Executive Officer of IGC, said the increase in revenues resulted from the addition over the past 12 months of American Family Homes and the real estate income generated by the lease of the El Comandante Race Track in Puerto Rico. Net income, however, was adversely affected, he said, by significantly lower lot and home sales, as well as reduced profit margins for the company's operations in the sluggish metropolitan Washington, D.C. market.

In addition, earnings were reduced by sharply higher depreciation/amortization and interest expenses relating to the acquisitions.

Wilson reiterated that these acquisitions position IGC for long term earnings, and once again pointed out that the company's operating results should be evaluated over an extended period of time, not on a quarterly basis, due to the cyclical nature of its business.

While a weak residential market and a difficult economic and financial environment restrained company operating results in the 1990 periods, the impact was lessened by the company's diversification, Wilson commented.

As expected through previous announcement, the Board of Directors of IGC's managing general partner has voted to make no cash distribution to unitholders for the three months ended September 30, 1990. IGC has already distributed $.40 per unit in 1990. The company expects this to be in excess of the amount required to meet its partnership obligation to distribute 55 percent of annual taxable income.

Founded in 1957, IGC is a diversified real estate organization specializing in community development, homebuilding, investment properties and management services. Listed on the American and Pacific stock exchanges, the company is a master limited partnership that first issued units to the public in February 1987.

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Gregory A. TenEyck, 301/843-8600
by
The Foristall Co. Inc., New York
T.F. Curtin, 212/797-4646

-30- 2816

#90313b0802 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire

ROCHESTER, NH (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Cabletron Systems Inc. (NYSE:CS) Friday announced it intends to file a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a public offering of 3,500,000 shares of Common Stock.

Of the shares to be covered by the registration statement 1,250,000 shares are

to be offered by the company and 2,250,000 are to be offered by selling stockholders. The company intends to file the registration statement within the next ten days and said the offering will be made only a prospectus.

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Darren Orzechowski, 603/332-9400, ext. 282
or
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-30- 851
#90313b0815 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire

DOVER, NH (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Great Bay Bankshares Inc. (NASDAQ:GBBS), held its third annual meeting of shareholders on Thursday, Nov. 8, in Dover with 84.7 percent of the company's outstanding common stock being voted.

The shareholders re-elected directors Stephen L. Goren, Raymond N. Guillemette and Clifford B. Ham for three-year terms and ratified the appointment KPMG Peat Marwick of Portland, Maine, as Great Bay's independent accountants for the ensuing year.

Great Bay Bankshares Inc., is the parent holding company of Southeast Bank for Savings, a $300 million, FDIC insured, full- service community bank; and Constitution Trust Co., which has approximately $55 million of assets under management.

CONTACT: Great Bay Bankshares Inc., Dover
Cheryl L. K. Boland, 603/749-4149

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#90313b0822 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire

GREENVILLE, SC (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Donald C. Spann, chairman and chief executive officer of Span-America Medical Systems Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SPAN), Friday announced that the board of directors has declared a cash dividend of 2 cents per share on the company's common stock.

The dividend will be paid on Dec. 3, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Nov. 14, 1990.

''This is the fourth consecutive cash dividend paid by Span-America,'' stated Spann. ''The institution of a regular cash dividend policy by our board of directors is indicative of their confidence in our company's future. In the near futre, we expect to report increased sales and income for the fiscal year ended Sept. 28, 1990.''

Span-America Medical Systems Inc. is engaged in manufacturing and marketing of products for the medical, industrial and consumer markets. The company's

stock is traded on the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol SPAN.

CONTACT: Span-America Medical Systems Inc., Greenville Richard C. Coggins, 803/288-8877

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ATLANTA (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - CNN (AMEX:TBS) considers the district court orders against telecast of the actual content of General Noriega's recorded conversations are unconstitutional prior restraints.

Legal counsel has advised CNN that it has the right to air that content while we pursue an appeal in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit in Atlanta. We will do so.

CNN also will resist fully within the law the court's order to produce unpublished materials.

CONTACT: CNN, Atlanta
Steve Haworth, 404/827-1547

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#90313b0826 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Nov. 9, 1990, Cellular Information Systems Inc. announced today that the NASD has determined that the company no longer meets its capital and surplus requirements for listing.

Accordingly, commencing on Nov. 9, quotations for the company's common stock will no longer be included in the NASDAQ system, although trading information will be available on National Daily Quotation Service Pink Sheets.

Cellular Information Systems is a cellular telecommunications company that owns controlling interests in and operates cellular telephone systems. The company owns controlling interests in cellular systems serving or licensed to serve twenty markets, has under contract the right to acquire four more and an option to acquire an additional system. The company's cellular interests represent approximately 2.5 million effective pops.

CONTACT: Cellular Information Systems Inc., New York
Rory S. Phillips, 212/421-9870
by
Mallory Factor Inc., New York
Donna N. Stein or Chris Danne, 212/242-0000

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#90313b0831 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - American Science and Engineering Inc. announced a net loss of $158,000 or $0.04 per share for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 which ended Sept. 26, 1990, compared to a net profit of $64,000 or $0.02 per share for the second quarter last year.

Sales for the quarter were $3,613,000 compared to sales of $5,366,000 for the correspondindg period last year. Negotiated backlog was $6,700,000 at the end of the quarter. Notwithstanding the reduced sales in all segments during the quarter, gross margins have improved substantially over the previous quarter due to reductions in costs and streamlining of manufacturing procedures. Sales and gross margins are expected to improve during the next quarter.

The net loss for the six months ended Sept. 26, 1990 was $226,000 or $0.06 per share compared to a loss of $153,000 or $0.04 per share for the corresponding period last year. Sales for the first six months of fiscal 1991 were $7,411,000 including net sales and license fee of $825,000 from Toshiba Corp. compared to sales of $9,458,000 for the corresponding period last year.

CONTACT: American Science and Engineering Inc., Cambridge
James C. Nemiah, 617/868-1600

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#90313b0838 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire

MEDFORD, MA (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas F. O'Connor, president and chief executive officer of Regional Bancorp Inc., announced Friday that Regional's wholly-owned subsidiary, Medford Savings Bank, will be selling a major portion of its holding of equity securities by the end of 1990.

Regional expects to incur pre-tax losses of approximately $3.5 million in connection with such sales. Cash proceeds from these sales will be invested in higher yielding assets. The losses incurred from these sales will be partially offset by tax benefits of approximately $1.3 million derived from available capital loss carrybacks.

If these losses are not taken, this tax benefit will expire on Dec. 31, 1990 and Regional's capital position and book value would be adversely affected. As a result of these non-recurring stock losses, Regional expects to report losses in the fourth quarter of 1990, and for the year ended Dec. 31, 1990.

These sales will not further affect Regional's capital position or book value as the unrealized loss on marketable equity securities has been consistently reported as a reduction in capital in prior quarters.

Regional Bancorp Inc. is the holding company for Medford Savings Bank, which services Eastern Massachusetts from eight banking offices in Medford, Arlington and Belmont.

CONTACT: Regional Bancorp Inc., Medford
Leonard V. Siuda, 617/395-7700

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#90313b0840 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Bernard Chaus Inc. (NYSE:CHS), Friday reported results for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30.

Benard Chaus, chairman and chief executive officer stated, ''For the first fiscal quarter ended September 30, 1990 the Company reported a profit of $0.02 per share compared with a profit of $0.16 per share for the same quarter last year.

''Net sales for the current quarter decreased 20 percent from the comparable period last year. The sales decrease was, in part, a result of our strategy to produce less merchandise in order to minimize excess inventories and maximize gross profit.

''We believe that our strategy to sell more merchandise at regular price points can be accomplished only by controlling the distribution of our product.''

''During the first quarter we reduced our inventories and as a result, built strong cash balances when compared with the same quarter last year. In view of our bookings and improved holiday retail performances, we believe the company will have a profitable performance for fiscal year 1991.''

Bernard Chaus Inc. is one of the largest producers of updated, moderately priced women's sportswear, sold in major department and specialty stores throughout the United States. Its common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CHS.

CONTACT: Bernard Chaus Inc., Secaucus, N.J., Anthony M. Pisano, 201/863-4646

-30- 1601
#90313b0849 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire
LONG ISLAND CITY, N.Y. (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - Yves F.M. Hentic, president of Deals Are American Inc., a public Nevada corporation and Ralph Woythaler, chairman and CEO of American Visual Appliances Inc. (''American Visual''), a private New York corporation, jointly announced Friday their intention to merge the two corporations, subject to stockholder approval.

American Visual operates through two wholly owned subsidiaries: Eye Glasses Inc. (''Eye-Glasses'') and Optical Technologies Corp. (''Technologies''). Eye-Glasses is a 23-year-old opthalmic laboratory providing custom

prescription lenses to the optical profession, serving over 1,000 independent practitioners and retail optical chains. Eye-Glasses recently signed an exclusive contract to create a nationwide prescription sunglasses program for Carrera brand eyewear.

Technologies specializes in surface coatings of glass and plastics. Its latest proprietary technology which has emerged from R&D will permit the recycling and remanufacturing of laser printer cartridges. Technologies also produces scratch resistant coatings with high impact strength retention for use on plastic parts for farm and mining equipment. Technologies supplies similar coatings for marine instruments, depth finders and fish finders. In the sports field, Technologies applies anti-scratch and permanent anti-fog coatings on hockey face shields and ski masks. Technologies also coats jet fighter pilot visors and laser protective eye and face devices for the military.

Speaking for Deals Are American, Hentic stated that the merger will benefit stockholders by increasing the company's asset base and broadening stockholder awareness of the company.

Deals Are American will hold its special stockholder meeting at 210 East 68th St., Suite 17C, New York, N.Y., 10021 at 10 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 19.

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Ralph L. Woythaler, 718/392-2310
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Yves F.M. Hentic, 212/628-7655

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#90313b0853 11/09/1990 ~Business Wire

ROCKVILLE, MD (NOV. 9) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Scandinavian PC Systems Inc. announced Friday that Mark W. McBride has been named president of the software company.

McBride, 36, had been marketing manager of the firm. He succeeds Steven Frankel, who no longer is affiliated with the company.

Scandinavian PC Systems Inc. is the publisher of ''John C. Dvorak's PC Crash Course and Survival Guide,'' one of the best-selling beginners' guides to computing in the United States this year, and ''Corporate Voice,'' the world's first writing style replicator.

A former journalist and financial analyst, McBride said he was extremely happy with the news.

''This is a great company with some excellent products and an unlimited

potential. I have never been more enthusiastic and more positive about anything in my life as I am in the future of this company and its products,'' McBride said. ''We've got an experienced, enthusiastic, supportive staff, and the best is yet to come.

''I know of only one other software product that has received more positive press attention this year than 'Dvorak's Crash Course' and 'Corporate Voice.' That says a lot about the quality of our products and the unsatiated marketplace needs they fulfill,'' he added.

''Young companies don't have big marketing budgets available at their disposal. They must wisely use the resources available to them for the greatest possible success. And, during their infancy, they must be supported by those who are stronger than they are -- those who believe in them as much as they believe in themselves.

''We have received this support, not only from our distributors and resellers, but most of all, our customers and the press, and for that I am most grateful.

''In addition, we are successful in the marketplace because we are able to effectively employ guerilla warfare tactics in a business situation,'' added the Vietnam-era veteran.

''Some of this country's greatest business leaders and entrepreneurs started out and continue to be guerilla fighters -- people like H. Ross Perot, Al Neuharth, Warren Buffett, Ted Turner, Sam Walton and Rupert Murdoch -- visionaries with the courage to believe and the strength of conviction to follow through on those beliefs.

''We at Scandinavian PC Systems need to fine tune some things in our methods, but to our competition, I can only say 'Watch out!' for more of the same.''

CONTACT: Scandinavian PC Systems Inc., Rockville
Mark W. McBride, president, 301/294-7450

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 30, 1990, the special committee of the board of Neiman-Marcus Group Inc. (TICKER: NMG) approved the merger agreement but on Nov. 5, General Cinema Corp. terminated such agreement and its tender offer solely because the board on Nov. 3 withdrew its recommendation of the offer.

PURPOSE:

Termination of merger agreement.

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#90313c0004 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

G.W. FISCHER OWNS 130,000 SHARES (7.80%) OF GUARANTY BANCSHARES CORP (TICKER: GBNC) OF SHAMOKIN, PENNSYLVANIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

G.W. Fischer purchased 42,500 shares on Oct. 15, 1990 at $2 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90313c0005 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

H.A. WERTHEIM OWNS 271,500 SHARES (11.70%) OF BANKATLANTIC FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: BFC) OF FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90313c0006 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

STOREBRAND AMERICA INC OWNS 2,963,100 SHARES (49.90%) OF BELVEDERE CORP. (TICKER: BLV) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Storebrand America Inc. and Belvedere Corp. announced on Oct. 31, 1990 that discussions concerning a possible merger of Belvedere with a subsidiary of Storebrand have terminated without an agreement but that both parties intend to continue to explore methods of working together.

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#90313c0007 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

D.A. ROCKER OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 243,300 SHARES (5.50%) OF BEEBA'S CREATIONS INC (TICKER: BEBA).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

D.A. Rocker purchased 200 shares on Sept. 4, 1990 for $5.75 per share and sold 25,000 shares on Sept. 28, 1990 for $4.61 to $4.62 per share.

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#90313c0009 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

R.C. SAUNDERS OWNS 197,696 SHARES (11.93%) OF CYBERMEDIC INC (TICKER: CMED) OF LOUISVILLE, CO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

R.C. Saunders purchased 65,611 shares from Sept. 7 to Oct. 27, 1990 for $2.25 to $4.19 per share.

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#90313c0010 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY SANDLER ASSOCIATES OWNS 2,477,836 SHARES (17.52%) OF CENTURY

COMMUNICATIONS (TICKER: CTY) OF NEW CANAAN, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Sandler Associates purchased 222,600 shares from Sept. 28 to Nov. 5, 1990 for 3.48 to $4.88 per share.

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#90313c0011 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 17

GIANT GROUP LTD OF HARLEYVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA OWNS 3,312,069 SHARES (48.40%) OF RALLYS INC (TICKER: RLLY) OF LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a put-call agreement with Malamed Investment Group, Giant Group LTD has been granted an option to purchase 123,800 shares at prices ranging from $18.50 to $24.50 per share until Dec. 31, 1993.

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#90313c0012 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

North Subsidiary Corp. announced on Nov. 1, 1990 that they will acquire Samna (TICKER: SMNA) for $18.84 per share pursuant to a definitive merger agreement. The tender offer commenced on Nov. 7, 1990 and will expire on Dec. 6, 1990.

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#90313c0014 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC OWNS 1,517,915 SHARES (7.14%) OF TRINITY INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: TRN) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 29 to Nov. 5, 1990, Gabelli Funds Inc. purchased 185,400 shares and sold 5,700 shares for $15.88 to $16.88 per share, and purchased 1,627 convertible preferred shares for $67 to $67.46 per share.

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#90313c0015 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

GROUP LED BY P. FROST OWNS 5,432,410 SHARES (30.80%) OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX) OF MIAMI, FLORIDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

P. Frost purchased 225,800 shares from Aug. 7 to Oct. 31, 1990 for $9.34 to $11.13 per share.

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#90313c0016 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - Tustin, Calif.-based Techniclone International Corp.(TICKER: TCLN) has agreed to sell certain laboratory equipment to Sterling Drug Inc. for $300,000.

As part of the deal, Techniclone will vacate its Tustin facilities, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 7, 1990.

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#90313c0018 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

G.F. LACEY OWNS 1,259,738 SHARES (16.03%) OF NYCAL CORP (TICKER: NYCL) OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The AHL Group agreed with Nycal Corp. to cancel unpaid interest of over $1,365,000 accrued on the Cook Note through Jan. 1, 1990, and exchanged the principal portion of the Cook Note for 829,347 shares on April 21, 1990. AHL received these shares on behalf of the AHL Group and immediately assigned them

to their respective beneficial owners. AHL received 143,749 shares on its own behalf in exchange for its interest in the Cook Note and as a result held 1,344,711 shares, representing 29.53 percent of the outstanding shares, on April 21, 1990. Mr. Lacey disclaims having beneficially owned 685,598 shares acquired throught he exchange of the Cook Note. Mr. Lacey beneficially owned 659,113 shares, or 14.47 percent, on Ap[ril 21, 1990 and, of those shares, 155,000 represented options to purchase shares. An option, granted AHL by Nycal Corp.'s board on May 7, 1990, to acquire 250,000 shares at a price of $2.75 per share and exercisable at any time after issuance until May 6, 1995, increased Mr. Lacey's beneficial ownership of shares to 909,113, or 18.80 percent; 405,000 shares represented options to purchase shares. On June 30, 1990, AHL exercised AHL options coveriong 80,000 shares which transaction had no effect on Mr. Lacey's beneficial ownership of shares. On July 27, 1990, the Nycal Corp. and Mr. Lacey entered into an exchange agreement under which the Nycal Corp., on August 31, 1990, acquired 550,000 shares of common stock of Shephard held by Mr. Lacey in exchange for the issuance of 350,625 shares to Mr. Lacey. This transaction increased Lacey's beneficial ownership to 1,259,738, or 16.03 percent, including options to purchase 325,000 shares.

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#90313c0019 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

R.M. STERLING JR OWNS 970,000 SHARES (11.13%) OF MULTIVEST CORP (TICKER: MVST) OF LONG ISLAND CITY, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

An employment agreement, dated April 30, 1990, between Multivest Corp. and Mr. Sterling never went into effect and Mr. Sterling never joined the board of directors of Multivest Corp., but Mr. Sterling agreed to help Mulitvest Corp. in certain specified ways in return for the reimbursement of certain expenses.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On May 14, 1990, Mr. Sterling purchased 970,000 shares at a price of $.05 per share, for an aggregate purchase price of $48,500.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90313c0020 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

E.H. SHEA JR OWNS 252,950 SHARES (7.59%) OF MOUNTAIN MEDICAL EQUIPMENT INC. (TICKER: MTN) OF DENVER, COLORADO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 31, 1990 through Nov. 2, 1990, E.H. Shea purchased 63,550 shares at a price of $3.58 to $4.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90313c0021 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY HEINE SECURITIES CORP OF SHORT HILLS, NEW JERSEY OWNS 299,027 SHARES (7.30%) OF INTREX FINANCIAL SERVICES INC (TICKER: TREX) OF NORTH ANDOVER, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Heine Securities Corp. purchased 94,500 shares from Oct. 5 to Nov. 1, 1990 for $.50 to $1.17 per share.

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#90313c0022 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

C. ELSENER OWNS 427,041 SHARES (10.80%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP (TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

C. Elsener acquired 169,000 shares from Aug. 24 to Oct. 18, 1990 for $5.25 to $5.50 per share.

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#90313c0023 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 19, 1990, the Pennsylvania Dept. of Banking approved Brookside Associates Inc.'s application for regulatory approval to increase their aggregate holdings of US Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: UBAN) common stock to as much as 15 percent. Brookside Associates Inc. have also filed a notice with the Federal Reserve to obtain federal approval to purchase up to 15 percent.

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#90313c0024 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, M. DRUTZ, DIR. OF AGNICO-EAGLE MINES LTD. (TICKER: AEAG), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

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#90313c0026 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 10, 1990, R.C. CORR JR, SHAREHOLDER OF COMMUNITY BANCSHARES INC.(AL) BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,081.

-30- 339
#90313c0027 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 4, 1990, G.A. TROUT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CODORUS VALLEY BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 128 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,588.

-30- 327
#90313c0028 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 26, 1990, W.K. COLEMAN, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: CITY) BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,666.

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#90313c0029 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, S. HOOPER, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: CITY) BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,355.

-30- 323
#90313c0030 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 14, 1990, R.B. MURFREE, VP OF FIRST CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: CITY) BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,703.

-30- 326
#90313c0031 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 5, 1990, R.B. MURFREE, VP OF FIRST CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: CITY) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,711.

-30- 322
#90313c0032 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1989, D.A. WOMACK, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: CITY) BOUGHT 168 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 567.

-30- 321
#90313c0034 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, B.D. JATANIA, DIR. OF CLEOPATRA KOHLIQUE INC. (TICKER: CLEO) SOLD 4,471,663 SHARES AT $0.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,086,342.

-30- 334
#90313c0035 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, P.D. JATANIA, CHAIRMAN OF CLEOPATRA KOHLIQUE INC. (TICKER: CLEO) SOLD 4,471,663 SHARES AT $0.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,086,342.

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#90313c0036 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, LONDON FINANCIAL TR LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CLEOPATRA KOHLIQUE INC.(TICKER: CLEO) SOLD 4,471,663 SHARES AT $0.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,086,342.

-30- 361
#90313c0037 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 18, 1990, LORNAMEAD LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF CLEOPATRA KOHLIQUE INC.(TICKER: CLEO) SOLD 4,471,663 SHARES AT $0.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,086,342.

-30- 355
#90313c0038 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, D.C. CROWLEY, CHAIRMAN OF FOUNDATION HEALTH CORP. (TICKER: FH) BOUGHT 28,000 SHARES AT $10.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 326,800.

-30- 330
#90313c0039 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 15, 1990, E.N. DUBAY, VP OF SOUTHERN UNION CO.(TICKER: SUG) BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750.

-30- 294
#90313c0040 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, A.G. ANAGNOS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KETEMA INC. (TICKER: KTM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,900.

-30- 313
#90313c0042 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, C.D. KLEIN, DIR. OF KETEMA INC. (TICKER: KTM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,800.

-30- 291
#90313c0043 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 10, 1990, R.L. NOLAND, PRES. OF KETEMA INC. (TICKER: KTM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,890.

-30- 295
#90313c0044 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 10, 1990, E.R. VARET, DIR. OF KETEMA INC. (TICKER: KTM), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,900.

-30- 291
#90313c0045 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, J.B. CLARK, DIR. OF BLACKHAWK BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 1,225 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,650.

-30- 299
#90313c0046 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, S.J. DONATO, PRES. OF BLACKHAWK BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 303
#90313c0047 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, STEINER GUNDERSEN, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (NJ) SOLD 100 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,209.

-30- 314
#90313c0048 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, R.H. LYNCH, DIR. OF COMMERCIAL NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,540.

-30- 314
#90313c0050 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MICHAEL C JENSEN, DIR. OF ARMSTRONG WORLD INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ACK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 323
#90313c0051 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, RICHARD B ABSHIRE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ADAMS RESOURCES & ENERGY INC. (TICKER: AE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 359
#90313c0052 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, CLAUDE H LEWIS, VP OF ADAMS RESOURCES & ENERGY INC. (TICKER: AE), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,994.

-30- 328
#90313c0053 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOSEPH F SEINSHEIMER JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN INDEMNITY FINL CORP. (TICKER: AIFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,515.

-30- 356
#90313c0054 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, EDWARD M ELKIN, DIR. OF AMERICAN CLAIMS EVALUATION INC. (TICKER: AMCE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90313c0055 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, EDWARD M ELKIN, DIR. OF AMERICAN CLAIMS EVALUATION INC. (TICKER: AMCE), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,100.

-30- 337
#90313c0056 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, RICHARD H FORTE, DIV. OFFICER OF ADVANCED MICRO DEVICES INC. (TICKER: AMD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,437.

-30- 346
#90313c0058 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MARTIN LERNER, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 253,500.

-30- 319
#90313c0059 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, SIDNEY V CORDER, PRES. OF ANALYTICAL SURVEYS INC. (TICKER: ANLT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 321
#90313c0060 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JOHN A SHOBER, DIR. OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 288
#90313c0061 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 28, 1990, EMIL C W WANG, VP OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 78,500.

-30- 331
#90313c0062 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, HENRY TAUB, DIR. OF AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC. (TICKER: AUD), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $50.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,365.

-30- 332
#90313c0063 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, GREGORY D LANDROCHE, VP OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 646.

-30- 327
#90313c0064 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ALLEN G TARBOX JR, VP OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 328
#90313c0066 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, ARTHUR H KING, VP OF BOWATER INC. (TICKER: BOW), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 287
#90313c0067 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, CONRAD G GOODKIND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CADE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CADE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,000.

-30- 336
#90313c0068 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, COCA-COLA CO, BEN. OWNER OF COCA-COLA ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CCE), SOLD 288,715 SHARES AT $13.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,305,536.

-30- 343
#90313c0069 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, CHARLES C FRANCIS JR, VP OF COMDISCO INC. (TICKER: CDO), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 296
#90313c0070 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, RUSSELL R WEST, VP OF COMDISCO INC. (TICKER: CDO), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90313c0071 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, RUSSELL R WEST, VP OF COMDISCO INC. (TICKER: CDO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 293
#90313c0072 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, EDWARD E PENHOET, VP OF CHIRON CORP. (TICKER: CHIR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $38.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,000.

-30- 299
#90313c0074 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, WILLIAM N PENNINGTON, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CIRCUS CIRCUS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CIR), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $40.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90313c0075 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, WILLIAM N PENNINGTON, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CIRCUS CIRCUS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CIR), SOLD 357 SHARES AT $39.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,250,000.

-30- 371
#90313c0076 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, RONALD H MARTIN, VP OF COLORADO NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: COLC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 329
#90313c0077 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LARRY BALLARD, DIR. OF CENTURY COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: CTY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90313c0078 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LARRY BALLARD, DIR. OF CENTURY COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: CTY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,475.

-30- 324
#90313c0079 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DANIEL L THOMAS, DIR. OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER:

CVB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90313c0080 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, DANIEL L THOMAS, DIR. OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90313c0082 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, DANIEL L THOMAS, DIR. OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90313c0083 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, DANIEL L THOMAS, DIR. OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90313c0084 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, DANIEL L THOMAS, DIR. OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,405.

-30- 316
#90313c0085 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ELLIOT LEVINE, VP OF CHEYENNE SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: CYE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,200.

-30- 312
#90313c0086 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, THOMAS H ROULSTON, CHAIRMAN OF DEFIANCE INC. (TICKER: DEFI), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 757,783.

-30- 319
#90313c0087 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, DAVID L COFFIN, CHAIRMAN OF DEXTER CORP. (TICKER: DEX), BOUGHT 1,036 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90313c0088 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, DAVID L COFFIN, CHAIRMAN OF DEXTER CORP. (TICKER: DEX), BOUGHT 7,800 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90313c0090 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DAVID L COFFIN, CHAIRMAN OF DEXTER CORP. (TICKER: DEX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90313c0091 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DAVID L COFFIN, CHAIRMAN OF DEXTER CORP. (TICKER: DEX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90313c0092 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DAVID L COFFIN, CHAIRMAN OF DEXTER CORP. (TICKER: DEX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90313c0093 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DAVID L COFFIN, CHAIRMAN OF DEXTER CORP. (TICKER: DEX), BOUGHT 13,900 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,314,017.

-30- 315
#90313c0094 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RICARD R OHRSTROM, DIR. OF DOVER CORP. (TICKER: DOV), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $31.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 757,974.

-30- 303
#90313c0095 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JACK EDWARDS, DIR. OF DRAVO CORP. (TICKER: DRV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 286
#90313c0096 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, RICHARD J EGAN, CHAIRMAN OF EMC CORP. (MA) (TICKER: EMC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90313c0098 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, EDWARD P ARTERS, DIR. OF THE FRANKFORD CORP. (TICKER: FKFD), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90313c0099 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, EDWARD P ARTERS, DIR. OF THE FRANKFORD CORP. (TICKER: FKFD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,400.

-30- 311
#90313c0100 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, RICHARD M MORROW, DIR. OF FIRST CHICAGO CORP. (TICKER: FNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,400.

-30- 315
#90313c0101 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, PATRICK G RYAN, DIR. OF FIRST CHICAGO CORP. (TICKER: FNB), BOUGHT 382 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,128.

-30- 310
#90313c0102 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, MILTON PORTER, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE OF FOSTER (L.B.) CO. (TICKER: FSTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,264.

-30- 339
#90313c0103 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, DAVID C JONES, DIR. OF GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: GE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $55.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 314
#90313c0104 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, LAWRENCE M COSS, CHAIRMAN OF GREEN TREE ACCEPTANCE INC. (TICKER: GNT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 229,080.

-30- 338
#90313c0106 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JAMES M OSTERHOFF, DIR. OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 302
#90313c0107 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LESTER E COLEMAN, DIR. OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90313c0108 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, LESTER E COLEMAN, DIR. OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 296
#90313c0109 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, GARY E MORIN, OFFICER OF HUFFY CORP. (TICKER: HUF), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 298
#90313c0110 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MARK R CALLEGARI, DIV. OFFICER OF INFORMIX CORP. (TICKER: IFMX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90313c0111 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, MARK R CALLEGARI, DIV. OFFICER OF INFORMIX CORP. (TICKER: IFMX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 412,677.

-30- 325
#90313c0112 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, RICHARD BLOCK, PRES. OF IPCO CORP. (TICKER: IHS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,000.

-30- 290
#90313c0114 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, HEATH B MCLENDON, CHAIRMAN OF ITALY FUND INC. (TICKER: ITA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 311
#90313c0115 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, G MAURICE DUFOUR, DIR. OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0116 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, G MAURICE DUFOUR, DIR. OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0117 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, G MAURICE DUFOUR, DIR. OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90313c0118 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, G MAURICE DUFOUR, DIR. OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,316.

-30- 311
#90313c0119 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, DARYL R SCHALLER, VP OF KELLOGG CO. (TICKER: K), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $71.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,980.

-30- 295
#90313c0120 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, EDWARD E PALMER, DIR. OF KEYCORP (TICKER: KEY), BOUGHT 1,250 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 293
#90313c0122 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CHARLES N WINNER, DIR. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,100.

-30- 332
#90313c0123 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, ROBERT M ZAK, VP OF MERCHANTS GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 298
#90313c0124 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, HEATH B MCLENDON, PRES. OF MUNICIPAL HIGH INCOME FUND INC. (TICKER: MHF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,659.

-30- 338
#90313c0125 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JOHN W CREIGHTON JR, DIR. OF MIP PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: MIP), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,800.

-30- 318
#90313c0126 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, HENRY B TIPPIE, DIR. OF MATLACK SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MLK), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 118,364.

-30- 315
#90313c0127 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, STEPHEN H DENLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MERLIN MINING CO. (TICKER: MMCO), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 264,666.

-30- 342
#90313c0128 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JOHN M ARTHUR, DIR. OF MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO. (TICKER: MNES), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,225.

-30- 324
#90313c0130 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOHN R FULGHAM JR, DIR. OF NCH CORP. (TICKER: NCH), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $47.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 289
#90313c0131 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, THOMAS J MITCHELL, OFFICER OF CONNECTICUT BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NKBK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,849.

-30- 332
#90313c0132 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROBERT E MCNAIR, DIR. OF NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP. (TICKER: NSC), SOLD 240 SHARES AT $38.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 312
#90313c0133 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CHARLES E SPORCK, PRES. OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: NSM), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c0134 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, CHARLES E SPORCK, PRES. OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: NSM), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 619,719.

-30- 334
#90313c0135 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, DONALD L KRAUSE, VP OF NEWELL CO. (TICKER: NWL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 253
#90313c0136 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, DONALD L KRAUSE, VP OF NEWELL CO. (TICKER: NWL), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,300.

-30- 290
#90313c0138 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOHN L BERNBACH, DIR. OF OMNICOM GROUP INC (TICKER: OMC), SOLD 3,100 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90313c0139 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOHN L BERNBACH, DIR. OF OMNICOM GROUP INC (TICKER: OMC), SOLD 2,600 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90313c0140 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BRUCE E CRAWFORD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF OMNICOM GROUP INC (TICKER: OMC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90313c0141 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BRUCE E CRAWFORD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF OMNICOM GROUP INC (TICKER: OMC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90313c0142 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BRUCE E CRAWFORD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF OMNICOM GROUP INC (TICKER: OMC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90313c0143 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BRUCE E CRAWFORD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF OMNICOM GROUP INC (TICKER: OMC), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90313c0144 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BRUCE E CRAWFORD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF OMNICOM GROUP INC (TICKER: OMC), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90313c0146 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, GEORGE W VLANDIS, VP OF OMI CORP. (TICKER: OMM), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,600.

-30- 289
#90313c0147 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, THOMAS A REED, DIR. OF PURITAN-BENNETT CORP. (TICKER: PBEN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90313c0148 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, THOMAS A REED, DIR. OF PURITAN-BENNETT CORP. (TICKER: PBEN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 315
#90313c0149 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, DAVID H BATCHELDER, DIR. OF PIC 'N SAVE CORP. (TICKER: PICN), BOUGHT 20,215 SHARES AT $8.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,215.

-30- 320
#90313c0150 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, LARRY S POOLE, VP OF POLICY MANAGEMENT SYS CORP. (TICKER: PMS), SOLD 223 SHARES AT $37.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,996.

-30- 317
#90313c0151 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JEFFREY M LEVINE, OFFICER OF PAR PHARMACEUTICAL INC. (TICKER: PRX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 388,900.

-30- 345
#90313c0152 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, RICHARD J NADLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PAR PHARMACEUTICAL INC. (TICKER: PRX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,431.

-30- 347
#90313c0154 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, KENNETH I SAWYER, PRES. OF PAR PHARMACEUTICAL INC. (TICKER: PRX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 324
#90313c0155 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, MICHAEL A SWIT, VP OF PAR PHARMACEUTICAL INC. (TICKER: PRX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 307
#90313c0156 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, SYDNEY M IRMAS, DIR. OF PATLEX CORP. (TICKER: PTLX), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 392,000.

-30- 318
#90313c0157 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, RAY A MILLER, OFFICER OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM), SOLD 3,197 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18.

-30- 300
#90313c0158 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, PASQUALE V COSTA, PRES. OF ROBOTIC VISION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ROBV), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 333
#90313c0159 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, GLENN L CARPENTER, PRES. OF SANTA ANITA REALTY ENTERPRISES INC. OPERATING CO. (TICKER: SAR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90313c0160 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, GLENN L CARPENTER, PRES. OF SANTA ANITA REALTY ENTERPRISES INC. OPERATING CO. (TICKER: SAR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $20.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 366
#90313c0162 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, WILLIAM C RICHARDSON, DIR. OF SHOWBOAT INC. (TICKER: SBO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90313c0163 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, WILLIAM C RICHARDSON, DIR. OF SHOWBOAT INC. (TICKER: SBO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90313c0164 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, WILLIAM C RICHARDSON, DIR. OF SHOWBOAT INC. (TICKER: SBO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90313c0165 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WILLIAM C RICHARDSON, DIR. OF SHOWBOAT INC. (TICKER: SBO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 311
#90313c0166 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, HOWARD W BROTMAN, VP OF SDNB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SDNB), BOUGHT 1,501 SHARES AT $7.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,835.

-30- 314
#90313c0167 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, DONALD F MURPHY, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 105 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,672.

-30- 297
#90313c0168 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90313c0170 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MICHAEL D SIMON, VP OF SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SQNT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $18.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 107.

-30- 330
#90313c0171 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, MICHAEL D SIMON, VP OF SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC.

(TICKER: SQNT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0172 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, SAMI I SAMANI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STANSBURY HOLDINGS CORP. (TICKER: STBY), BOUGHT 66,000 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,661,500.

-30- 352
#90313c0173 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ALAN STONE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 694,124.

-30- 336
#90313c0174 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GUST J TOTLIS, VP OF STAR BANC CORP. (TICKER: STRZ), BOUGHT 105 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90313c0175 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, CHRISTINE M DAGGETT, VP OF SUMMIT HEALTH LTD. (TICKER: SUMH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 306
#90313c0176 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), SOLD 866 SHARES AT $39.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90313c0178 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ROBERT L BUNTING JR, PRES. OF STEEL OF WEST VIRGINIA INC. (TICKER: SWVA), BOUGHT 325,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 838,520.

-30- 344
#90313c0179 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ALEXANDER V DARBELOFF, PRES. OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 949,465.

-30- 317
#90313c0180 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JON M HUNTSMAN, DIR. OF THIOKOL CORP. (DEL) (TICKER: TKC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 217,100.

-30- 318
#90313c0181 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, PAUL D COOMBS, OFFICER OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,558.

-30- 329
#90313c0182 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, A SIDNEY ALPERT, PRES. OF UNIVERSITY PATENTS INC. (TICKER: UPT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,694.

-30- 326
#90313c0183 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CLIFFORD N CARLSEN JR, OFFICER OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 2,487.

-30- 324
#90313c0184 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, RICHARD W EICHHORN, VP OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,520.

-30- 317
#90313c0186 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOHN W CAFFRY, DIR. OF UNITOG CO. (TICKER: UTOG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 293
#90313c0187 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, IRWIN HELFORD, CHAIRMAN OF VIKING OFFICE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: VKNG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 964,000.

-30- 331
#90313c0188 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, THEODORE J DOLL, PRES. OF WASHINGTON BANCORP. (TICKER: WBNC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,700.

-30- 320
#90313c0189 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 31,900 SHARES AT $1.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,389.

-30- 336

#90313c0190 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $1.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,609,330.

-30- 340
#90313c0191 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, HERBERT L LUXENBURG, DIR. OF AMERICAN BUSINESS COMPUTERS CORP. (TICKER: ABCC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,000.

-30- 350
#90313c0192 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 03, 1990, JACK R DAUGHERTY, DIR. OF AMERICAN CREDIT OPTICAL INC. (TICKER: ACOI), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 505,401.

-30- 342
#90313c0194 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, GORDON C MCKEAQUE, OFFICER OF ANALOG DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ADI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 323
#90313c0195 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, THOMAS P BAUMGARTH, PRES. OF AOI COAL CO. (TICKER: AOI), BOUGHT 5,200 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90313c0196 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, THOMAS P BAUMGARTH, PRES. OF AOI COAL CO. (TICKER: AOI),

BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 306
#90313c0197 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 34,700 SHARES AT $18.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0198 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 4,600 SHARES AT $18.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90313c0199 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 19,400 SHARES AT $18.65 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0200 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $18.65 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0202 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $18.65 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90313c0203 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER:

APA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $18.64 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0204 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 65,000 SHARES AT $18.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0205 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $18.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0206 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $18.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0207 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $16.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0208 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 20,500 SHARES AT $16.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0210 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER:

APA), SOLD 48,500 SHARES AT $16.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0211 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $16.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90313c0212 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $17.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0213 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0214 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $17.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90313c0215 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $17.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,938.

-30- 319
#90313c0216 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90313c0218 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90313c0219 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90313c0220 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 250,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90313c0221 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $3.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90313c0222 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ARROW ELECTRONICS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ARROW ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: ARW), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90313c0223 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOHN D MEYERS, VP OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0224 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOHN D MEYERS, VP OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0226 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, ROBERT P SHAPARD JR, DIR. OF ATLANTA GAS LIGHT CO. (TICKER: ATG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,438.

-30- 328
#90313c0227 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 22, 1990, ROBERT P SHAPARD JR, DIR. OF ATLANTA GAS LIGHT CO. (TICKER: ATG), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,798.

-30- 326
#90313c0228 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, GEORGE J WILE, CHAIRMAN OF ATEK METALS CENTER INC. (TICKER: ATKM), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90313c0229 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, GEORGE J WILE, CHAIRMAN OF ATEK METALS CENTER INC. (TICKER: ATKM), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 603,411.

-30- 329

#90313c0230 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, E ORAN BRIGHAM, PRES. OF AVANTEK INC. (TICKER: AVAK), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,527.

-30- 304
#90313c0231 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MERIDITH P SIPEK, OFFICER OF AZTAR CORP. (TICKER: AZTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,778.

-30- 301
#90313c0232 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, CARROLL V WILLOUGHBY, DIR. OF AZTAR CORP. (TICKER: AZTR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 310
#90313c0234 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ALLEN W SANBORN, DIR. OF BANKAMERICA CORP. (TICKER: BAC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,175.

-30- 311
#90313c0235 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JARED D SERE, PRES. OF BELLWETHER EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: BELW), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.51 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 96,500.

-30- 330
#90313c0236 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JARED D SERE, PRES. OF BELLWETHER EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: BELW), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.51 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 43,000.

-30- 332
#90313c0237 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, GOULD INVESTORS LP, BEN. OWNER OF BFS BANKORP INC. (TICKER: BFSI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0238 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, GOULD INVESTORS LP, BEN. OWNER OF BFS BANKORP INC. (TICKER: BFSI), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 283,473.

-30- 333
#90313c0239 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ARTHUR J DOYLE, DIR. OF BMA CORP. (TICKER: BMAC), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,219.

-30- 290
#90313c0240 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, STEPHEN M DOW, DIR. OF BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BORL), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,952.

-30- 316
#90313c0242 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, HENRY RASMUSSEN JR, DIR. OF BURNHAM PACIFIC PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BPP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,805.

-30- 344
#90313c0243 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, MICHAEL D BROWN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QANTEL CORP. (TICKER: BQC), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $0.17 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,000.

-30- 325
#90313c0244 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, PAUL W DELACEY, OFFICER OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 327
#90313c0245 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JAMES W BOWER, DIR. OF COMMONWEALTH BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: CBKS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,211.

-30- 333
#90313c0246 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, DAVID L STROEHMANN, DIR. OF COMMONWEALTH BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: CBKS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90313c0247 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DAVID L STROEHMANN, DIR. OF COMMONWEALTH BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: CBKS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 142,163.

-30- 344
#90313c0248 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GERALD M CHANEY, VP OF CRYSTAL BRANDS INC. (TICKER: CBR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

2,750.

-30- 311
#90313c0250 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, DENNIS M MOORE, OFFICER OF CHURCH & DWIGHT CO. (TICKER: CHD), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $14.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,500.

-30- 321
#90313c0251 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JOHN O BARWICK III, OFFICER OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 327
#90313c0252 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, ROBERT I MILLER, DIR. OF COMPREHENSIVE CARE CORP. (TICKER: CMP), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90313c0253 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ROBERT I MILLER, DIR. OF COMPREHENSIVE CARE CORP. (TICKER: CMP), BOUGHT 295 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90313c0254 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ROBERT I MILLER, DIR. OF COMPREHENSIVE CARE CORP. (TICKER: CMP), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,895.

-30- 326
#90313c0255 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, RICHARD L GOLDBERG, DIR. OF COMTECH INC. (TICKER: CMTL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 306
#90313c0256 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ANTHONY M VITTI, DIR. OF COMMERCEBANCORP. (CA) (TICKER: COBA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90313c0258 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ANTHONY M VITTI, DIR. OF COMMERCEBANCORP. (CA) (TICKER: COBA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,196.

-30- 324
#90313c0259 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JACK D BRADY, CHAIRMAN OF CROWN ANDERSEN INC. (TICKER: CRAN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,482.

-30- 320
#90313c0260 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOSEPH C LADD, DIR. OF CORESTATES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSFN), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,718.

-30- 325
#90313c0261 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ALBERT O NICHOLAS, DIR. OF CHRISTIANA COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: CST), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0262 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ALBERT O NICHOLAS, DIR. OF CHRISTIANA COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: CST), BOUGHT 5,100 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 74,800.

-30- 332
#90313c0263 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CHARLES E IRELAND, CHAIRMAN OF DONEGAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: DGIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 324
#90313c0264 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, TIGER, BEN. OWNER OF DELPHI FINANCIAL GRP INC. (TICKER: DLFI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90313c0266 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, TIGER, BEN. OWNER OF DELPHI FINANCIAL GRP INC. (TICKER: DLFI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90313c0267 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, TIGER, BEN. OWNER OF DELPHI FINANCIAL GRP INC. (TICKER: DLFI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90313c0268 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, TIGER, BEN. OWNER OF DELPHI FINANCIAL GRP INC. (TICKER:

DLFI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $8.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90313c0269 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, TIGER, BEN. OWNER OF DELPHI FINANCIAL GRP INC. (TICKER: DLFI), BOUGHT 32,700 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 376,500.

-30- 321
#90313c0270 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, NATIONAL COMPUTER SYSTEM INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIMENSIONAL MEDICINE INC. (TICKER: DMED), SOLD 300,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500,000.

-30- 369
#90313c0271 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JOE E BEVERLY, DIR. OF DAVIS WATER & WASTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DWW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 334
#90313c0272 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, CARTIS T ROFF, DIR. OF DYNAMICS CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: DYA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 323
#90313c0274 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HERBERT T DOTTERER, VP OF EAGLE FOOD CENTERS INC. (TICKER: EGLE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 324
#90313c0275 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, GEORGE R GIBSON, DIR. OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90313c0276 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, GEORGE R GIBSON, DIR. OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90313c0277 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GEORGE R GIBSON, DIR. OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90313c0278 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, GEORGE R GIBSON, DIR. OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90313c0279 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, GEORGE R GIBSON, DIR. OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90313c0280 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, GEORGE R GIBSON, DIR. OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90313c0282 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, GEORGE R GIBSON, DIR. OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90313c0283 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, GEORGE R GIBSON, DIR. OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90313c0284 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GEORGE R GIBSON, DIR. OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,200.

-30- 297
#90313c0285 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, KENNETH M OLSEN, VP OF ELECTRO SCIENTIFIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ESIO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 329
#90313c0286 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ROBERT W CREMIN, DIV. OFFICER OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 320
#90313c0287 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, RONALD J ARONBERG, DIR. OF FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: FCOL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90313c0288 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, RONALD J ARONBERG, DIR. OF FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: FCOL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90313c0290 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RONALD J ARONBERG, DIR. OF FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: FCOL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90313c0291 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, RONALD J ARONBERG, DIR. OF FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: FCOL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90313c0292 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, RONALD J ARONBERG, DIR. OF FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: FCOL), SOLD 2,781 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,901.

-30- 343
#90313c0293 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MITCHELL UBERSTINE, VP OF FIRSTFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FED), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,985.

-30- 324
#90313c0294 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, DAMON SAMUEL M ESTATE, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,865,000.

-30- 349
#90313c0295 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, PAUL M GANLEY, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,934,688.

-30- 334
#90313c0296 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, DAVID M HAIG, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,875,200.

-30- 348
#90313c0298 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, HERBERT E WOLFF, VP OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,880.

-30- 313
#90313c0299 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, HAROLD B SCOTT, DIR. OF FIGGIE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FIGI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90313c0300 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, HAROLD B SCOTT, DIR. OF FIGGIE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FIGI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,600.

-30- 320
#90313c0301 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, CONSTANTINE A KEEN, VP OF FEDDERS CORP. (TICKER: FJQ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 296
#90313c0302 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, DAVID HIRSCH, DIR. OF FIRST NEW YORK BUSINESS BANK CORP. (TICKER: FNYB), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,000.

-30- 342
#90313c0303 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, N THOMAS STEELE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FORELAND CORP. (TICKER: FORL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90313c0304 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, N THOMAS STEELE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FORELAND CORP. (TICKER: FORL), SOLD 1,250 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 232,750.

-30- 329
#90313c0306 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MARK M RUBIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST REGIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FRGB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,750.

-30- 375
#90313c0307 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, JACK A SWEENEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST REGIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FRGB), BOUGHT 850 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 335
#90313c0308 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JACK A SWEENEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST REGIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FRGB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,750.

-30- 379
#90313c0309 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, DON H FREYMILLER, CHAIRMAN OF FREYMILLER TRUCKING INC. (TICKER: FRML), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $6.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90313c0310 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, DON H FREYMILLER, CHAIRMAN OF FREYMILLER TRUCKING INC. (TICKER: FRML), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,225,000.

-30- 342
#90313c0311 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 05, 1990, DON H FREYMILLER, CHAIRMAN OF FREYMILLER TRUCKING INC. (TICKER: FRML), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,217,500.

-30- 342
#90313c0312 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WARREN W ROSENTHAL, DIR. OF FIRST SECURITY CORP.(KY) (TICKER: FSKY), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,100.

-30- 332
#90313c0314 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ROBERT L GRAY, DIV. OFFICER OF FEDERAL SIGNAL CORP. (TICKER: FSS), SOLD 1,022 SHARES AT $28.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,449.

-30- 328
#90313c0315 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, CARL T WOLF, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST WORLD CHEESE INC. (TICKER: FWCH), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 366
#90313c0316 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, CHRISTIAN F HORN, VP OF GRACE (W.R.) & CO. (TICKER: GRA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 309
#90313c0317 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ALVAN A HERRING JR, VP OF GRAPHIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GRPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90313c0318 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 20, 1990, ALVAN A HERRING JR, VP OF GRAPHIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GRPH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 308
#90313c0319 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ROGER P WHITAKER, OFFICER OF HAVERTY FURNITURE COS. (TICKER: HAVT), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,050.

-30- 330
#90313c0320 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ROBERT R HUFFMAN, DIR. OF HUFFY CORP. (TICKER: HUF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 201,775.

-30- 299
#90313c0322 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, S SCOTT CRUMP, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,012.

-30- 354
#90313c0323 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, S SCOTT CRUMP, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,562.

-30- 356
#90313c0324 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, D MICHAEL BROWN, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL GAME TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: IGAM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,490.

-30- 331
#90313c0325 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JODA D ATTAWAY, OFFICER OF IMO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IMD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 309
#90313c0326 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JILL M COHEN, OFFICER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,456.

-30- 344
#90313c0327 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, TIMOTHY J CROASDAILE, VP OF ITEL CORP. (TICKER: ITL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,125.

-30- 298
#90313c0328 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JAMES E KNOX, VP OF ITEL CORP. (TICKER: ITL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 249
#90313c0330 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JAMES E KNOX, VP OF ITEL CORP. (TICKER: ITL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 249
#90313c0331 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JAMES E KNOX, VP OF ITEL CORP. (TICKER: ITL), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,011.

-30- 287
#90313c0332 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, BRIAN J ROBERTS, VP OF INTERNATIONAL TOTALIZATOR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ITSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 3,300.

-30- 341
#90313c0333 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, RICHARD M JONES, DIR. OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 324
#90313c0334 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, FRANK RABINOVITZ, DIR. OF JAYARK CORP. (TICKER: JAYA), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90313c0335 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, FRANK RABINOVITZ, DIR. OF JAYARK CORP. (TICKER: JAYA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90313c0336 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, FRANK RABINOVITZ, DIR. OF JAYARK CORP. (TICKER: JAYA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90313c0338 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, DAVID A ROSENFELD, BEN. OWNER OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 824,842.

-30- 339
#90313c0339 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, ROBERT L ROSENFELD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 824,842.

-30- 358
#90313c0340 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, DONALD W THOMASON, VP OF KELLOGG CO. (TICKER: K), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $72.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,148.

-30- 297
#90313c0341 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, GARY P CRITSER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KIMBALL INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: KBAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90313c0342 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, GEORGE A PETERKIN JR, PRES. OF KIRBY CORP. (TICKER: KEX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 549,910.

-30- 310
#90313c0343 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, RAPHAEL KORIAT, VP OF KULICKE & SOFFA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: KLIC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,769.

-30- 321
#90313c0344 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ASAHI GLASS CO, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90313c0346 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ASAHI GLASS CO, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90313c0347 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ASAHI GLASS CO, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90313c0348 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, ASAHI GLASS CO, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90313c0349 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ASAHI GLASS CO, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90313c0350 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ASAHI GLASS CO, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90313c0351 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ASAHI GLASS CO, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90313c0352 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ASAHI GLASS CO, BEN. OWNER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90313c0354 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, J BURTON JOBE, DIR. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,176.

-30- 314
#90313c0355 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90313c0356 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $4.43 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90313c0357 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $4.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90313c0358 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90313c0359 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90313c0360 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90313c0362 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 330
#90313c0363 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 11,200 SHARES AT $4.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90313c0364 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 10,900 SHARES AT $4.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,870,500.

-30- 373
#90313c0365 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90313c0366 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90313c0367 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90313c0368 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90313c0370 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90313c0371 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, BLAINE ROBERTS, DIR. OF MAIL BOXES ETC. (TICKER: MAIL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 157,287.

-30- 311
#90313c0372 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, WILLIAM L MARSH, VP OF MARSH SUPERMARKETS INC. (TICKER: MARS), SOLD 4,570 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

121,993.

-30- 320
#90313c0373 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOHN D PECKSKAMP, DIR. OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $34.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c0374 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JOHN D PECKSKAMP, DIR. OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90313c0375 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JOHN D PECKSKAMP, DIR. OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90313c0376 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JOHN D PECKSKAMP, DIR. OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c0378 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOHN D PECKSKAMP, DIR. OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c0379 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JOHN D PECKSKAMP, DIR. OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC.

(TICKER: MAWS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 332
#90313c0380 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHN D PECKSKAMP, DIR. OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,961.

-30- 335
#90313c0381 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JAMES C MARLAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICKELBERRY CORP. (TICKER: MBC), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 691,803.

-30- 320
#90313c0382 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, ISADORE H HANDMAKER, DIR. OF MEI DIVERSIFIED INC. (TICKER: MEI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 325
#90313c0383 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, H ROBERT SHARBAUGH, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $19.71 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,140.

-30- 316
#90313c0384 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, MARTIN J KEARY JR, VP OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90313c0386 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, MARTIN J KEARY JR, VP OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 395,263.

-30- 304
#90313c0387 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JAMES F MARINO, PRES. OF MERCHANTS GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGP), BOUGHT 4,700 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,900.

-30- 317
#90313c0388 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, L S SMITH, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE AMERICAN PACIFIC MINT INC. (TICKER: MINT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,846,224.

-30- 380
#90313c0389 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, DAVID A CONKLIN, DIV. OFFICER OF MERCK & CO. (TICKER: MRK), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $80.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,069.

-30- 319
#90313c0390 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RICHARD J MAHONEY, CHAIRMAN OF MONSANTO CO. (TICKER: MTC), BOUGHT 2,470 SHARES AT $40.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,852.

-30- 316
#90313c0391 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, ROBERT C BUTLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARK TWAIN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: MTWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,258.

-30- 355
#90313c0392 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ROBERT C BUTLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MARK TWAIN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: MTWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,802.

-30- 356
#90313c0394 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, LAWRENCE J OLIVEIRA, PRES. OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0395 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, LAWRENCE J OLIVEIRA, PRES. OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,013.

-30- 319
#90313c0396 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, HUGH L CULBREATH, DIR. OF NCNB CORP. (TICKER: NCB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 300
#90313c0397 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ROBERT E DRAPER, PRES. OF NATIONAL HEALTH LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: NHLI), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $14.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 307

#90313c0398 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ROBERT E DRAPER, PRES. OF NATIONAL HEALTH LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: NHLI), SOLD 36,000 SHARES AT $13.89 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 342
#90313c0399 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JOHN C BEDROSIAN, VP OF NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: NME), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90313c0400 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JOHN C BEDROSIAN, VP OF NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: NME), SOLD 28,000 SHARES AT $32.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 587,254.

-30- 337
#90313c0402 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, F WAYNE ARNOLD, PRES. OF NEWMIL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NMSB), BOUGHT 9,400 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 208,504.

-30- 320
#90313c0403 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CHAIN BARASH, VP OF OMI CORP. (TICKER: OMM), SOLD 5,200 SHARES AT $4.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,990.

-30- 282
#90313c0404 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, VINCENT J DESOSTOA, OFFICER OF OMI CORP. (TICKER: OMM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,100.

-30- 302
#90313c0405 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, FREDRIC S LONDON, VP OF OMI CORP. (TICKER: OMM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,100.

-30- 288
#90313c0406 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, GLENN A BRODOCK, DIR. OF ONBANCORP INC. (TICKER: ONBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,291.

-30- 305
#90313c0407 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, DAVID H LEONARD, DIR. OF OREGON METALLURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: OREM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 329
#90313c0408 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, RICHARD HOULIHAN, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 5,482 SHARES AT $2.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0410 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, W MICHAEL REYNOLDS, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $3.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90313c0411 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, W MICHAEL REYNOLDS, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC.

(TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $2.83 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90313c0412 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, W MICHAEL REYNOLDS, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90313c0413 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, W MICHAEL REYNOLDS, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90313c0414 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, W MICHAEL REYNOLDS, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $3.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,200.

-30- 336
#90313c0415 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM T WEYERHAEUSER, DIR. OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90313c0416 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM T WEYERHAEUSER, DIR. OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $24.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90313c0418 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM T WEYERHAEUSER, DIR. OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $24.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90313c0419 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM T WEYERHAEUSER, DIR. OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90313c0420 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM T WEYERHAEUSER, DIR. OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $24.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,300.

-30- 316
#90313c0421 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1988, MATTHEW L GOLD, CHAIRMAN OF PRECISION STANDARD INC. (TICKER: PCSN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,640,100.

-30- 332
#90313c0422 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, NORMAN L SHARFMAN, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 342
#90313c0423 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF PETROLEUM HELICOPTERS INC. (TICKER: PHEL), SOLD 473,638 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 354
#90313c0424 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 75,200 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90313c0426 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,838,791.

-30- 328
#90313c0427 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, LNC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 75,200 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90313c0428 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, LNC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0429 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LNC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,503,330.

-30- 324
#90313c0430 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, PRESTON B HELLER JR, CHAIRMAN OF PIONEER-STANDARD ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: PIOS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE,

BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,989.

-30- 360
#90313c0431 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CHARLES E DRIMAL, DIR. OF PRIMEENERGY CORP. (TICKER: PNRG), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 198,368.

-30- 313
#90313c0432 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, M JOSEPH LEBWORTH, DIR. OF REVERE FUND INC. (TICKER: PREV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 313
#90313c0434 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC, BEN. OWNER OF PS GROUP INC. (TICKER: PSG), BOUGHT 604,757 SHARES AT $33.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,208,032.

-30- 339
#90313c0435 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BRUCE MAGGIN, DIR. OF PHILLIPS-VAN HEUSEN CORP. (TICKER: PVH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,750.

-30- 320
#90313c0436 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, RICHARD M PITAGORA, DIR. OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), SOLD 6,450 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90313c0437 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, LUIS E LAMELA, PRES. OF RAMSAY-HMO INC. (TICKER: RHMO), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90313c0438 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, LUIS E LAMELA, PRES. OF RAMSAY-HMO INC. (TICKER: RHMO), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90313c0439 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, LUIS E LAMELA, PRES. OF RAMSAY-HMO INC. (TICKER: RHMO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90313c0440 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, LUIS E LAMELA, PRES. OF RAMSAY-HMO INC. (TICKER: RHMO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 305
#90313c0442 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM R THOMPSON, DIR. OF RIGGS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: RIGS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,080.

-30- 319
#90313c0443 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, TERRY L KINDER, DIR. OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 298
#90313c0444 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90313c0445 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $38.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90313c0446 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90313c0447 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $38.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90313c0448 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90313c0450 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,967,959.

-30- 331
#90313c0451 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, DAVID P NORUM, OFFICER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,524.

-30- 317
#90313c0452 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ROBERT E LEE, VP OF BOSTON BANCORPORATION (TICKER: SBOS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90313c0453 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ROBERT E LEE, VP OF BOSTON BANCORPORATION (TICKER: SBOS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,394.

-30- 316
#90313c0454 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ROBERT J RANIERI, VP OF BOSTON BANCORPORATION (TICKER: SBOS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,544.

-30- 311
#90313c0455 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ROBERT E GILMORE, DIR. OF SANTA FE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SFX), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,022.

-30- 322
#90313c0456 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, GEORGE B MUNROE, DIR. OF SANTA FE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SFX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 321
#90313c0458 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF SILICON GRAPHICS INC. (TICKER: SGI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $22.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0459 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF SILICON GRAPHICS INC. (TICKER: SGI), BOUGHT 5,800 SHARES AT $21.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 327
#90313c0460 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOSEPH CHALHOUB, VP OF SAFETY-KLEEN CORP. (TICKER: SK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $37.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 211,938.

-30- 308
#90313c0461 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, EDWARD B DAVID, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SCORE EXPL CORP (TICKER: SKOR), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,014,071.

-30- 373
#90313c0462 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ROBERT E ELBERSON, DIR. OF SONOCO PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: SONO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 312
#90313c0463 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, BILL L HARBERT, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90313c0464 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, BILL L HARBERT, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90313c0466 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WALLACE D MALONE JR, CHAIRMAN OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 294,878.

-30- 325
#90313c0467 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90313c0468 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90313c0469 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 3,300 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90313c0470 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 15,500 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90313c0471 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 9,800 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90313c0472 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 32,200 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90313c0474 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, OPPENHEIMER HIGH YIELD FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 5,200 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 883,400.

-30- 338
#90313c0475 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, BRUCE C COLES, PRES. OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), SOLD 1,480 SHARES AT $33.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,562.

-30- 312
#90313c0476 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90313c0477 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0478 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $28.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0479 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90313c0480 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 350 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0482 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0483 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0484 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0485 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 550 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0486 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90313c0487 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 350 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0488 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0490 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90313c0491 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 550 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0492 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0493 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0494 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90313c0495 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0496 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0498 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0499 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0500 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0501 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 350 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0502 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0503 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0504 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 250 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0506 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90313c0507 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0508 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0509 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0510 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0511 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 475 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0512 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0514 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0515 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0516 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0517 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DONALD E BROWN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 8,312.

-30- 331
#90313c0518 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ROBERT S SUNDT, DIR. OF SOUTHWEST GAS CORP. (TICKER: SWX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 305
#90313c0519 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOHN A WILSON, DIR. OF TANDY BRANDS INC. (TICKER: TAB), BOUGHT 1,050 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 306
#90313c0520 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF TELEBIT CORP. (TICKER: TBIT), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 786,106.

-30- 313
#90313c0522 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, FREDERICK T VANVEEN, VP OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,022.

-30- 302
#90313c0523 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WALTER C MINNICK, PRES. OF TJ INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: TJCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,323.

-30- 317
#90313c0524 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, BRUCE D COWEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TRC COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: TRR), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $4.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 142,492.

-30- 334
#90313c0525 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, NORTON H REAMER, PRES. OF UNITED ASSET MANAGEMENT CORP. (TICKER: UAM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90313c0526 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, NORTON H REAMER, PRES. OF UNITED ASSET MANAGEMENT CORP. (TICKER: UAM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,100.

-30- 339
#90313c0527 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, JOHN S HOOVER, DIV. OFFICER OF UNC INC. (TICKER: UNC), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $3.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,500.

-30- 307
#90313c0528 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, RICHARD H LANGE, VP OF UNC INC. (TICKER: UNC), BOUGHT 11,250 SHARES AT $3.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,250.

-30- 288
#90313c0530 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CRAIG S MILLER, PRES. OF UNO RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: UNO), SOLD 9,100 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 177,512.

-30- 318
#90313c0531 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, RICHARD A TRIPPEER JR, DIR. OF UNION PLANTERS CORP. (TICKER: UPC), BOUGHT 80,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 193,978.

-30- 329
#90313c0532 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CHARLES V GIUFFRA, CHAIRMAN OF USLICO CORP. (TICKER: USC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,387.

-30- 312
#90313c0533 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, BRADLEY G WETHERELL, DIR. OF VENTURA COUNTY NATL BANCORP. (TICKER: VCNB), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

-30- 344
#90313c0534 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, W BRUCE LUNSFORD, CHAIRMAN OF VENCOR CORP. (TICKER: VCOR), SOLD 47,500 SHARES AT $9.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90313c0535 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, R GENE SMITH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VENCOR CORP. (TICKER: VCOR), SOLD 47,500 SHARES AT $9.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 845,100.

-30- 328
#90313c0536 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, LEE D WALKER, DIR. OF VF CORP. (TICKER: VFC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $15.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 290
#90313c0538 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOHN E COCKRUM, OFFICER OF WASTE RECOVERY INC. (TICKER: WRII), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 321
#90313c0539 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:24 that trade in Hemodynamics Inc.(NASDAQ: HMDY) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 11/16. The company is located in Boca Raton, Florida.

-30- 342
#90313c0540 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:27 that trade in Strober Organization (NASDAQ: STRB) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 2.

-30- 324
#90313c0541 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:36 that trade in Pharmakinetics Laboratories Inc.(NASDAQ: PKLB) has been resumed. The first sale was 1/8; down 5/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 375
#90313c0542 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:55 that trade in Southwestern Bell has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol SBC.

-30- 311
#90313c0543 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:19 that trade in Nor-quest Resources LTD (NASDAQ: NQRLF) has been resumed. The first bid was 1/32; down 1/32 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 360
#90313c0544 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:38 that trade in Bay View Capital Corp.(NASDAQ: BVFS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 12. The company is located in San Manteo, California.

-30- 354
#90313c0546 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:46 that trade in Strober Organization (NASDAQ: STRB) has been resumed. The first sale was 2; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 345
#90313c0547 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - Bank of San Pedro (BOSP) began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 6.

-30- 221
#90313c0548 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 7:

Teltronics Inc. - Units 12/22/90 (TELTU); Component no longer qualifies
Willard Pease Oil & Gas Co. _ Units 3/12/92 (WPOGU); Issue postponed, security never quoted

-30- 390
#90313c0549 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cardinal Technologies Inc.(TICKER: CRTK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$550,000	$821,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(100,000)	$9,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	28,783,000	28,783,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,647,000	$2,981,303
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$509,000	$427,335

-30- 1023

#90313c0550 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Milgray Electronics Inc.(TICKER: MGRY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$22,868,173	$24,216,231
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$39,820	$25,284
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$0.03

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$37,220,471	$38,243,239
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,832,477	$15,320,074

-30- 972

#90313c0551 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mark Controls Corp.(TICKER: MRCC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$18,927,000	$19,160,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$434,000	$565,000

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.09	$0.12

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$45,247,000	$46,442,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$28,459,000	$26,274,000

-30- 944

#90313c0552 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 30 1990 Fingermatrix Inc.(TICKER: FINX) appointed Dr. R. Krishnan to its board of directors.

Dr. Krishnan replaces one of three board members who resigned.

Fingermatrix has elected not to replace the other two board members.

-30- 433

#90313c0554 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Farmers Capital Bank.(TICKER: FFKT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,710,000)	$2,380,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.44)	$0.61

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$804,757,000	$771,854,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$88,939,000	$89,579,000

-30- 951

#90313c0555 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:06 that trade in Greenstone Resources LTD (NASDAQ: GRER) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last bid-ask was 1 3/4, 2 1/8.

-30- 347

#90313c0556 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Matrix Service Co.(TICKER: MTRX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,572,000	$6,021,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$511,000	$133,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,156,634	5,156,634

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$16,955,000	$14,147,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,187,000	$1,656,000

-30- 995

#90313c0557 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Adaptec Inc.(TICKER: ADPT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 28,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$35,182,000	$26,498,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$4,453,000	$3,033,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.43	$0.36
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,443,000	8,483,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 28, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$108,879,000	$97,809,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$91,451,000	$81,731,000

-30- 1027

#90313c0558 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Workingmens Capital Holdings Inc.(TICKER: WCHI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$396,000	$265,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.44	N/A

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$151,717,000	$135,896,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$19,463,000	$10,471,000

-30- 952

#90313c0559 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Harmonia Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: HBCI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$348,000	$981,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	N/A
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,651,733	N/A

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$698,539,000	$686,514,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$87,395,000	$86,549,000

-30- 1007

#90313c0560 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by CNL Financial Corp.(TICKER: CNLF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,894,638	$5,372,146
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$386,067	$451,848
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.21	$0.24
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,866,159	1,865,159

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$44,284,884	$41,044,241
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,630,096	$10,078,776

-30- 1006

#90313c0562 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Griffin Technology Inc.(TICKER: GRIF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$4,445,200	$4,100,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$389,100	$383,600
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.17	$0.17
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,305,077	2,248,824

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$16,813,800	$12,793,700
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,906,000	$3,452,900

-30- 1019

#90313c0563 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Southern Starr Broadcasting Group Inc. (TICKER: SSBG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,045,649	$2,372,473
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$160,309	$(85,085)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,315,970	1,375,973

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,737,775	$7,773,969
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,647,011	$3,385,853

-30- 1050

#90313c0564 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:35 that trade in Bay View Capital Corp.(NASDAQ: BVFS) has been resumed. The first sale was 11 3/4; down 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 356
#90313c0565 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:56 that trade in Greenstone Resources LTD (NASDAQ: GRE) has been resumed. The first bid was 1 3/4; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 354
#90313c0566 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:03 that trade in Franklin Savings Bank FSB (NASDAQ: FSVB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 1/2. The company is located in Southfield, Michingan.

-30- 364
#90313c0567 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD (NOV. 9) COMTEX - A Oct. 29 story concerning Phoenix Technologies Inc., which is a private company and is based in Valley Forge, was incorrectly routed as though it concerned Phoenix Technologies Ltd. (NASDAQ: PTEC) of Norwood. We regret any confusion the error may have caused. The clarified headline and original press release follow:

TRW TO SELL CUSTOMER SERVICE DIVISION TO PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES INC.

CLEVELAND (OCT. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Technologies Inc. and TRW Inc. have signed an agreement for Phoenix Technologies to acquire TRW's Customer Service Division.

The sale is expected to close Nov. 30, pending regulatory approval.

The customer service division of TRW (CSD) provides nationwide on-site maintenance and repair of computer systems and peripheral equipment with a particular emphasis on microelectronics. It also provides computer facility management and training. It currently employs 1,250 people in offices across the United States. Phoenix Technologies intends to retain the management and employees of CSD. Sales in 1989 totaled about $120 million.

Phoenix Technologies (PTI) consists of three integrated companies providing custom electronic product manufacturing and distribution services, repair and refurbishment services, site planning and installation services, as well as nationwide on-site maintenance and support.

Phoenix Service Technologies Inc., PTI's existing field service operation, will with this acquisition become the largest third-party maintenance provider focusing on servicing microprocessor-based equipment in the United States. Phoenix Technologies views CSD as an important strategic complement to its

existing operations.

Financial terms were not disclosed.

TRW provides advanced technology products and services for the automotive, space and defense and information markets. The company's 1989 sales totaled $7.34 billion.

CONTACT: Phoenix Technologies Inc., Philadelphia
Todd Alexander, 215/630-1600
TRW CSD, New Jersey
James Rosen, 201/575-7110, ext. 4282

-30- 2279

#90313c0568 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - Electronic Clearing House Inc.(TICKER: ECHO) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 750,000 units.

Each unit consists of three shares of common stock and two warrants, exerciseable at $0.75 per share.

The price per unit is $2.25.

J.W. Gant & Associates is underwriting the offering.

The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ system under the symbol ECHO.

Electronic Clearing House provides merchants, banks and other customers with services which enables them to accept credit cards and checks in commercial transactions quickly and with relative safety.

-30- 818

#90313c0570 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - CCF Inc. filed an amended registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1,166,167 shares of its common stock at an initial public offering price of $6.00 per share.

Asset Securities Corp. is underwriting the offering.

The company intends to both i) acquire, service, collect and reinvest in certain receivables -- "money lien certificates" and also ii) to purchase, exploit and expand the business of Administrative Insurance Technologies Inc., a California business which collects insurance company subrogation claims.

In an earlier filing, CCF reported it was offering 500,000 shares at $10.00 per share.

The company's executive executive is located 15643 Sherman Way, Suite 330, Van Nuys, CA 91406 and its telephone number is (818) 780-5550.

-30- 972

#90313c0571 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Stake Technology Ltd.(TICKER: STKL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$46,000	$174,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$41,000	$4,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(295,000)	$(302,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.04

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,081,000	$5,831,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,142,000	$2,800,000

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

-30- 1030

#90313c0572 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Jackson County Federal Bank, F.S.B.(TICKER: JCFS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$	
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$485,000	$323,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.43	$0.38
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	843,568	849,889

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$334,366,000	$335,439,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,621,000	$13,261,000

-30- 1025

#90313c0573 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 1, 1990, the Enstar Group Inc.(TICKER: ENST) appointed Deloitte & Touche as its independent accountants, replacing KPMG Peat Marwick.

KPMG Peat Marwick's audit report on Enstar Group for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989 reflected an unqualified opinion.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

-30- 746

#90313c0574 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by New England Business Service Inc.(TICKER: NEBS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 28,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$57,089,000	$55,524,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$4,717,000	$5,769,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.29	$0.34
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	16,464,000	16,961,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 28, 1990	June 29, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$126,442,000	$130,280,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$102,479,000	$103,858,000

-30- 1046

#90313c0575 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by ProCyte Corp.(TICKER: PRCY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$588,440	$207,811
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(422,026)	$(440,286)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.10)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,948,188	5,210,308

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,017,306	$13,638,264
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,723,842	$13,160,451

-30- 1031

#90313c0576 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 600,150 SHARES (11.32%) OF KASLER CORP (TICKER: KASL) OF HIGHLAND, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. purchased 55,100 shares at $11.35 per sh are Oct. 9, 1990.

-30- 395

#90313c0578 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 316,700 SHARES (7.84%) OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX) OF NEEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. purchased 89,700 shares at $19.13 to $25.25 per share from Sept. 17 to Oct. 11, 1990 and sold 10,000 shares at $24.25 per share.

-30- 468
#90313c0579 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 4,913,000 SHARES (10.91%) OF THE UNITED STATES SHOE CORP (TICKER: USR) OF CINCINNATI, OHIO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. purchased 69,100 shares at $7.74 to $9.72 per share Sept. 25 to Oct. 17, 1990 and sold 265,500 shares at $8 to $10.25 per share from Sept. 24 to Oct. 18, 1990.

-30- 523
#90313c0580 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 657,650 SHARES (12.40%) OF KASLER CORP. (TICKER: KASL) OF HIGHLAND, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. purchased 107,500 shares at $9.95 to $10.15 per share Oct. 10 to Oct. 11, 1990 and sold 50,000 shares at $9.88 per share.

-30- 462
#90313c0581 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 1,894,670 SHARES (8.85%) OF TAMBRANDS INC (TICKER: TMB) OF LAKE SUCCESS, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. sold 227,700 shares at $73.07 to $78.37 per share Oct. 3 to Oct. 18, 1990.

-30- 418
#90313c0582 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 170,350 SHARES (6.45%) OF US WEST NEWVECTOR GRP INC (TICKER: USWN) OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. purchased 3,400 shares at $24.00 to $24.75 per share Aug. 17 to Oct. 1, 1990 and sold 45,500 shares at $21.63 to $23.90 per share.

-30- 498
#90313c0583 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 374,200 SHARES (9.26%) OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX) OF NEEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. purchased 34,900 shares at $21.82 to $26.13 per share Oct. 16 to Oct. 22, 1990 and sold 19,600 shares at $21.82 to $26.13 per share.

-30- 473
#90313c0584 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 363,406 SHARES (4.88%) OF BIG B INC. (TICKER: BIGB) OF BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. sold 56,000 shares at $6 to $6.38 per share from Oct. 1 to Oct. 10, 1990.

-30- 407
#90313c0586 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 374,200 SHARES (9.26%) OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX) OF NEEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Fidelity International LTD purchased 6,000 shares on Oct. 11, 1990 for $19.25 per share.

-30- 423
#90313c0587 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 600,150 SHARES (11.32%) OF KASLER CORP. (TICKER: KASL) OF HIGHLAND, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 373
#90313c0588 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 657,650 SHARES (12.40%) OF KASLER CORP. (TICKER: KASL) OF HIGHLAND, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 373
#90313c0589 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 4,913,400 SHARES (10.91%) OF THE UNITED STATES SHOE CORP (TICKER: USR) OF CINCINNATI, OHIO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Fidelity International LTD sold 249,500 shares from Sept. 27 to Oct. 17, 1990 for $7.59 to $9.95 per share.

-30- 465
#90313c0590 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 363,406 SHARES (4.88%) OF BIG B INC. (TICKER: BIGB) OF BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 365
#90313c0591 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 1,894,670 SHARES (8.85%) OF TAMBRANDS INC. (TICKER: TMB) OF LAKE SUCCESS, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Fidelity International LTD purchased 5,000 shares on Oct. 3, 1990 for $79.84 per share.

-30- 427
#90313c0592 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD OWNS 316,700 SHARES (7.84%) OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX) OF NEEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 373
#90313c0594 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:31 that trade in Golden Quail Resources LTD (NASDAQ: GQRV) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 17/32, 19/32. The company is located in La Costa, California.

-30- 375
#90313c0595 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cellular Telephone Enterprises Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$874,453	$277,229
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$24,708	$(73,330)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,365,000	7,860,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,089,993	$1,546,496
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,143,573	$1,112,181

-30- 1023
#90313c0596 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Cencom Cable Entertainment Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,139,536	$12,857,814
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$3,570,430	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(5,641,962)	$(8,635,067)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(38.64)	$(59.15)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$165,381,951	$176,056,621
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(91,384,863)	$(71,457,418)

-30- 985

#90313c0597 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 6-K report filed by Palmer Tube Mills Ltd.(TICKER: PTML).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$62,547,000	$61,906,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,850,000	$2,667,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.81	$0.76
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$241,333,000	$244,434,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$122,384,000	$122,419,000

NOTE: All amounts in Australian dollars according to Australian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

-30- 1120

#90313c0598 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mid-American Waste Systems Inc.(TICKER: MAWS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$20,900,000	$12,850,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,851,000	$483,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.26	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,040,937	7,310,906

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$165,002,000	$104,383,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$107,547,000	$25,092,000

-30- 1049

#90313c0599 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Gendex Corp.(TICKER: XRAY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,660,000	$7,274,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$715,000	$625,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.20	$0.21
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,667,000	2,949,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$79,432,000	$23,425,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$22,004,000	$12,854,000

-30- 1013

#90313c0600 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sungroup Inc.(TICKER: SUNN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,108,000	$2,131,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,697,000)	$(1,101,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.59)	$(0.42)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,856,000	2,633,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$28,716,000	$30,535,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(10,356,000)	$(5,405,000)

-30- 997

#90313c0603 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:40 that trade in Diversified Energies Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol DEI.

-30- 328

#90313c0604 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 9) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:41 that trade in Golden Quail Resources LTD (NASDAQ: GQRV) has been resumed. The first bid was 9/16; up 1/32 point from the halt, and up 1/8 point from the previous close.

-30- 376
#90313c0605 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - O.A. DUWAIK OF 12483 EAST CEDAR CIRCLE, AURORA, CO 80012, HAS FILED TO SELL 1,000,000 SHARES OF TV COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK INC. (TICKER: TVCN) THROUGH RICHFIELD SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 5, 1990.

(TV COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK INC. TEL: 303 751-2900)

-30- 459
#90313c0606 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. FRANCKEN OF 7344 WENTWORTH AVE S, RICHFIELD, MN 55423, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,500 SHARES OF SOUTHERN KITCHENS INC. THROUGH VAN CLEMENS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 25, 1990.

(SOUTHERN KITCHENS INC. TEL: 612 374-3434)

-30- 411
#90313c0607 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P.J. RUTLEDGE OF 2831 RING LING BLVD, SUITE 203B, SARASOTA, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF FLORIDA ONE CAPITAL CORP. THROUGH G.K. SCOTT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 30, 1990.

(FLORIDA ONE CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 813 954-8834)

-30- 432
#90313c0608 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEW AMERICA GROUP INC OF 513 MAIN AVE, BAY HEAD, NJ 08742, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000,000 SHARES OF YARDLEY VENTURES INC. THROUGH INVESTACORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON OCT. 29, 1990.

(YARDLEY VENTURES INC. TEL: 201 899-1111)

-30- 414
#90313c0609 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.J. SCHUMACHER OF 500 CHESTNUT SUITE 1300, ABILENE, TEXAS 79602, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PRIDE CO LP (TICKER: PRF) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(PRIDE COS LP TEL: 915 674-8306)

-30- 405
#90313c0611 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT F WELTE OF 54 ROUND HILL RD, GREENWICH, CT 06830, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,800 SHARES OF LORAL CORP. (TICKER: LOR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(LORAL CORP. TEL: 212 697-1105)

-30- 384
#90313c0612 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD J SALTER OF 23 SANDSTONE, IRVINE, CA 92714, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,083 SHARES OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(DYNATECH CORP. TEL: 617 272-6100)

-30- 393
#90313c0613 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID S JOSEPH OF ONE GREAT VALLEY PKWY, STE 20, MALVERN, PA 19355, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 647-8277)

-30- 460
#90313c0614 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES D SANSBURY OF 25 TAGUS COURT, PORTOLA VALLEY, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(ALTERA CORP. TEL: 408 984-2800)

-30- 401
#90313c0615 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEE S OSBORNE OF 6800 TEXAS COMMERCE TOWER, HOUSTON, TX 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SEAGULL ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: SGO) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(SEAGULL ENERGY CORP. TEL: 713 455-0636)

-30- 419
#90313c0616 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD L STONER OF 6014 EAST MERCER WAY, MERCER ISLAND, WA 98040, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. TEL: 206 881-7544)

-30- 444
#90313c0617 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN L BERNBACH OF 437 MADISON AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF OMNICOM GROUP INC (TICKER: OMC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(OMNICOM GROUP INC TEL: 212 415-3600)

-30- 406
#90313c0619 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORMAN J BALTHASAR OF 5802 BENJAMIN CTR DR, TAMPA, FL 33634, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF FISERV INC. (TICKER: FISV) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(FISERV INC. TEL: 414 546-5000)

-30- 392
#90313c0620 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 455
#90313c0621 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM T CAPERS OF 315 E COLORADO BLVD, PASADENA, CA 91101, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF WESCO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WSC) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(WESCO FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 818 684-1500)

-30- 425
#90313c0622 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN M BERKLEY OF 7 ROSEWOOD DR, ATHERTON, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,647 SHARES OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(QUANTUM CORP. TEL: 408 432-1100)

-30- 398
#90313c0623 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID S POTTRUCK OF 850 PEPPERWOOD DR, DANVILLE, CA 94526, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SCHWAB (CHARLES) CORP. (TICKER: SCH) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(SCHWAB (CHARLES) CORP. TEL: 415 627-7000)

-30- 429
#90313c0624 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EUGENE F BARTH OF C/O INTERWEST PARTNERS, 3000 SAND HILL RD, #3-255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,580 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

-30- 462
#90313c0625 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES T MARTIN OF 3340 PEACHTREE ROAD N E, ATLANTA, GA 30326, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH ANDERSON & STRUDWICK. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 420
#90313c0627 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEON FISHMAN OF 20191 EAST COUNTRY CLUB DR, AVENTURA, FL 33180, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF ALLSTATE FINANCIAL CORP. (VA) (TICKER: ASFN) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(ALLSTATE FINANCIAL CORP. (VA) TEL: 703 931-2274)

-30- 449
#90313c0628 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WAYMAN F SMITH III OF 69 LADUE ESTATES DR, ST LOUIS, MO 63141, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. (TICKER: BUD) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. TEL: 314 577-2000)

-30- 418
#90313c0629 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHANG-JUNG WANG OF 10460 IMPERIAL AVE, CUPERTINO, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,668 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH

CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 445
#90313c0630 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WAYNE G ENGLISH OF 3576 WINFIELD LANE NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20007, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCIC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. TEL: 202 872-1600)

-30- 430
#90313c0631 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN C WALSKE OF 147 THORNDIKE ST, BROOKLINE, MA 02154, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 439
#90313c0632 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL J YOST OF 6607 KAISER DR, FREMONT, CA 94555, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF VITALINK COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: VITA) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 01, 1990.

(VITALINK COMMUNICATIONS CORP. TEL: 415 795-6292)

-30- 440
#90313c0633 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN D PECKSKAMP OF 123 EAST FOURTH ST, CINCINNATI, OH 45202, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. TEL: 614 833-9155)

-30- 441
#90313c0635 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD ABRAMSON OF 1298 PENLLYN BLUE BELL PIKE, 0, BLUE BELL, PA 19422, HAS FILED TO SELL 149,194 SHARES OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. TEL: 215 540-0910)

-30- 439
#90313c0636 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHIMIZU EQUITIES USA INC OF 650 MADISON AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,750 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH OAKES FITZWILLIAMS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2400)

-30- 448
#90313c0637 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOROTHY HIPP GUNTER FDN INC OF P O BOX 789 WADE HAMPTON BLVD, GREENVILLE SC 29615, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC) THROUGH DILLON READ & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(THE LIBERTY CORP. TEL: 803 268-8111)

-30- 439
#90313c0638 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEON C HIRSCH OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 399
#90313c0639 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TURI JOSEFSEN OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 399
#90313c0640 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN J MOORES OF P O BOX 1146, SUGAR LAND, TX 77487, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 240-8800)

-30- 408
#90313c0641 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ULRICH SCHREIER OF 19333 VALLCO PKWY, CUPERTINO, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,084 SHARES OF TANDEM COMPUTERS INC. (TICKER: TDM) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(TANDEM COMPUTERS INC. TEL: 408 725-6000)

-30- 416
#90313c0643 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, R.A. KNIGHT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHAMBERS DEVELOPMENT INC. (TICKER: CDV), BOUGHT 2,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 355
#90313c0644 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 17, 1990, S.D. MENOFF, OFFICER OF CHAMBERS DEVELOPMENT INC. (TICKER: CDV), BOUGHT 300 CLASS A SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 331
#90313c0645 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 17, 1990, W.B. MARTIN, VP OF CRAWFORD & CO. (TICKER: CRD), SOLD 1,500 CLASS B SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 875.

-30- 304
#90313c0646 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, J.P. HOLDER, DIR. OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF) BOUGHT 1,193 SHARES AT $37.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90313c0647 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

CENTRAL: H.G. MCDONALD, DIR., BUYS 200 SHARES

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, H.G. MCDONALD JR, DIR. OF CENTRAL CORP. (GA) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $43.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,888.

-30- 296
#90313c0648 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, V.W.W. GIBBS, DIR. OF CFW COMMUNICATIONS CO. (TICKER: CFCW) BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,594.

-30- 315
#90313c0649 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, V.W.W. GIBBS, DIR. OF CFW COMMUNICATIONS CO. (TICKER: CFCW) SOLD 250 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,786.

-30- 329
#90313c0651 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 4, 1990, D.A. WOMACK, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: CITY) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,267.

-30- 323
#90313c0652 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 22, 1990, R.B. LANTZ, VP OF FIRST-KNOX BANC CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,203.

-30- 287
#90313c0653 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, R.L. RUCKRIEGEL, DIR. OF GAB BANCORP. BOUGHT 3,011 SHARES AT $30.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,508.

-30- 294
#90313c0654 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, F.J. LACHAPELLE, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL META SYSTEMS INC. SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0655 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, F.J. LACHAPELLE, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL META SYSTEMS INC. SOLD 23,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0656 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, F.J. LACHAPELLE, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL META SYSTEMS INC. SOLD 22,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0657 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, F.J. LACHAPELLE, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL META SYSTEMS INC. SOLD 65,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0659 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, F.L. NARDI, DIR. OF MICHIGAN FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: MHFC) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,570.

-30- 309
#90313c0660 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 6, 1990, TRIUMPH INTL OVERSEAS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NCC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NCDI) BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,520,522.

-30- 332
#90313c0661 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, R.A. FERRIGNO, DIR. OF OLDE WINDSOR BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,068.

-30- 308
#90313c0662 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 1, 1990, J. BRADLEY, OFFICER OF SWISS CHALET INC.(TICKER: SWSS) SOLD 445,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,610.

-30- 310
#90313c0663 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, E.F. MYERS, SHAREHOLDER OF EXTEN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: EXVT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284

#90313c0664 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 11, 1990, E.F. MYERS, SHAREHOLDER OF EXTEN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: EXVT), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90313c0665 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, E.F. MYERS, SHAREHOLDER OF EXTEN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: EXVT), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90313c0667 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, E.F. MYERS, SHAREHOLDER OF EXTEN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: EXVT), SOLD 1,429 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 230,105.

-30- 326
#90313c0668 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, WOLFE KNOTTINGHAM LTD, BEN. OWNER OF UNITED NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: UTDN) BOUGHT 141 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,966.

-30- 354
#90313c0669 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 18, 1990, L.C. RASMUSSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: KLT), SOLD 940 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90313c0670 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, W.R. COHEN, DIR. OF NBS NATIONAL BENEFIT SVCS INC. (TICKER: NBSN), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $0.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 488,919.

-30- 332
#90313c0671 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, R.S. PARKER, VP OF SANFORD CORP. (TICKER: SANF), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,783.

-30- 292
#90313c0672 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, J.H. VANDELOGT, VP OF SANFORD CORP. (TICKER: SANF), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $22.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,666.

-30- 298
#90313c0673 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMC), BOUGHT 250 CLASS A SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90313c0675 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 9, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMC), BOUGHT 100 CLASS A SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90313c0676 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMC), BOUGHT 300 CLASS A SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90313c0677 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 22, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMC), BOUGHT 400 CLASS A SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90313c0678 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF A.O. SMITH CORP. (TICKER: SMC), BOUGHT 450 CLASS A SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,578,334.

-30- 340
#90313c0679 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, W.C. MELNAR, OFFICER OF SNYDER OIL CORP. (TICKER: SNY) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 302
#90313c0680 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 8, 1990, R.H. FAXON, CHAIRMAN OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) SOLD 500 SHARES AT $39.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,694.

-30- 311
#90313c0681 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, A.J. GILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF TRENCOR JETCO INC. BOUGHT 70,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,000.

-30- 304
#90313c0683 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, FOUAD A MINA, OF AMBASE CORP. (TICKER: ABC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 247
#90313c0684 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FOUAD A MINA, OF AMBASE CORP. (TICKER: ABC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 282
#90313c0685 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, W GREGG KERR, DIR. OF AUTOCLAVE ENGINEERS INC. (TICKER: ACLV), BOUGHT 145 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,014.

-30- 313
#90313c0686 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90313c0687 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90313c0688 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90313c0689 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90313c0691 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,881,299.

-30- 342
#90313c0692 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICANA HOTELS & REALTY CORP. (TICKER: AHR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 599,200.

-30- 363
#90313c0693 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 10,674 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90313c0694 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0695 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 1,708 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,179,513.

-30- 330
#90313c0696 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 10,674 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 323

#90313c0697 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90313c0699 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ALLAN M GITTLEMAN, DIR. OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER: ALOT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90313c0700 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ALLAN M GITTLEMAN, DIR. OF ASTRO-MED INC. (TICKER: ALOT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 308
#90313c0701 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, GARY ASHCRAFT, OFFICER OF ADVANCED MICRO DEVICES INC. (TICKER: AMD), SOLD 3,700 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125.

-30- 331
#90313c0702 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, RAYMOND F BADDOUR, DIR. OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,300.

-30- 299
#90313c0703 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PHILIP G GUARNESCHELLI, VP OF AMP INC. (TICKER: AMP), SOLD 150 SHARES AT $40.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,506.

-30- 296
#90313c0704 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, ARTHUR B LAFFER, DIR. OF AMPLICON INC. (TICKER: AMPI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90313c0705 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ARTHUR B LAFFER, DIR. OF AMPLICON INC. (TICKER: AMPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,040.

-30- 304
#90313c0707 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, AMERITRUST CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERITRUST CORP. (TICKER: AMTR), SOLD 4,569 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90313c0708 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, AMERITRUST CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERITRUST CORP. (TICKER: AMTR), BOUGHT 33,206 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c0709 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, AMERITRUST CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERITRUST CORP. (TICKER: AMTR), BOUGHT 180 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90313c0710 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, PATRICK G RYAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AON CORP. (TICKER: AOC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $29.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90313c0711 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, PATRICK G RYAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AON CORP. (TICKER: AOC), BOUGHT 13,500 SHARES AT $29.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90313c0712 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, PATRICK G RYAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AON CORP. (TICKER: AOC), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $27.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90313c0713 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, PATRICK G RYAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AON CORP. (TICKER: AOC), BOUGHT 27,800 SHARES AT $29.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90313c0715 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, BERKMAN (LOUIS) CO, BEN. OWNER OF AMPCO-PITTSBURGH CORP. (TICKER: AP), BOUGHT 202,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,598,939.

-30- 347
#90313c0716 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, LOUIS BERKMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMPCO-PITTSBURGH CORP. (TICKER: AP), BOUGHT 202,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,598,939.

-30- 348
#90313c0717 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, SIDNEY WASSER, VP OF AMPCO-PITTSBURGH CORP. (TICKER:

AP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 307
#90313c0718 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, BRUCE W HERRICK, OFFICER OF AMERICAN RELIANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: ARIG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 335
#90313c0719 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, MARSHALL J DEMOUY, DIR. OF AMSOUTH BANCORP. (TICKER: ASO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,918.

-30- 308
#90313c0720 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MARSHALL J DEMOUY, DIR. OF AMSOUTH BANCORP. (TICKER: ASO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,426.

-30- 308
#90313c0721 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, NORTON Q SLOAN, DIR. OF AUGAT INC. (TICKER: AUG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90313c0723 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, STANLEY C GAULT, DIR. OF AVON PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: AVP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 303
#90313c0724 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, SAMUEL J KRASNEY, CHAIRMAN OF BANNER AEROSPACE INC. (TICKER: BAR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,000.

-30- 328
#90313c0725 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, WARREN D PERSAVICH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BANNER AEROSPACE INC. (TICKER: BAR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,500.

-30- 348
#90313c0726 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ALLEN L LASTINGER JR, OFFICER OF BARNETT BANKS INC. (TICKER: BBI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,284.

-30- 325
#90313c0727 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, DYAS POWER BOOTHE JR, DIR. OF BEI ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: BEII), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,400.

-30- 319
#90313c0728 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM L BARDEEN, OFFICER OF BELL ATLANTIC CORP. (TICKER: BEL), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $49.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,444.

-30- 322
#90313c0729 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, HERBERT A WERTHEIM, SHAREHOLDER OF BANKATLANTIC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BFC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90313c0731 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, HERBERT A WERTHEIM, SHAREHOLDER OF BANKATLANTIC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BFC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90313c0732 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, HERBERT A WERTHEIM, SHAREHOLDER OF BANKATLANTIC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BFC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90313c0733 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, HERBERT A WERTHEIM, SHAREHOLDER OF BANKATLANTIC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BFC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90313c0734 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, HERBERT A WERTHEIM, SHAREHOLDER OF BANKATLANTIC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 271,500.

-30- 351
#90313c0735 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ALBERT MILSTEIN, DIR. OF BIO-LOGIC SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: BLSC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,750.

-30- 322
#90313c0736 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ALBERT MILSTEIN, DIR. OF BIO-LOGIC SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: BLSC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 324
#90313c0737 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, MORTON E GOULDER, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 74,752.

-30- 349
#90313c0739 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, GERALD A RAUENHORST, DIR. OF CONAGRA INC. (TICKER: CAG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,001.

-30- 308
#90313c0740 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, W THOMAS MORRIS, DIR. OF COMMONWEALTH BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: CBKS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 216,000.

-30- 337
#90313c0741 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CHARLES P SIESS JR, DIR. OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $32.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90313c0742 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 06, 1990, CHARLES P SIESS JR, DIR. OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $32.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,300.

-30- 294

#90313c0743 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, DAVID E GIBSON, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90313c0744 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, DAVID E GIBSON, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,874.

-30- 328
#90313c0745 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MICHAEL B KELLAND, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), SOLD 31,689 SHARES AT $25.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0747 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ROBERT H MARTINSEN, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 331
#90313c0748 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ROGER W TRUPIN, VP OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 290
#90313c0749 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, DONALD L NEVINS JR, OFFICER OF CHARTER POWER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 339
#90313c0750 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DANIEL ROSENBLOOM, DIR. OF CHAUS (BERNARD) INC. (TICKER: CHS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90313c0751 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, DANIEL ROSENBLOOM, DIR. OF CHAUS (BERNARD) INC. (TICKER: CHS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,000.

-30- 320
#90313c0752 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, GERARD E PUORRO, OFFICER OF CANDELA LASER CORP. (TICKER: CLZR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90313c0753 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, GEORGE R EVANS, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 333
#90313c0755 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JOHN A HAAS, DIR. OF COMAIR HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: COMR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 304
#90313c0756 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JAMES E RICHMOND, VP OF CONSOLIDATED PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: COPI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,584.

-30- 318
#90313c0757 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JAMES E RICHMOND, VP OF CONSOLIDATED PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: COPI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,539.

-30- 316
#90313c0758 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, CHARLES P SCHWARTZ JR, CHAIRMAN OF CHAMPION PARTS INC. (TICKER: CREB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0759 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, CHARLES P SCHWARTZ JR, CHAIRMAN OF CHAMPION PARTS INC. (TICKER: CREB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0760 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, CHARLES P SCHWARTZ JR, CHAIRMAN OF CHAMPION PARTS INC. (TICKER: CREB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0761 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, CHARLES P SCHWARTZ JR, CHAIRMAN OF CHAMPION PARTS INC. (TICKER: CREB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 143,916.

-30- 333

#90313c0763 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, RICHARD M BAGLEY, DIR. OF CRESTAR FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CRFC), SOLD 399 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90313c0764 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, WILLIAM V DONALDSON, DIR. OF CORESTATES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSFN), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,744.

-30- 334
#90313c0765 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, NELSON G HARRIS, DIR. OF CORESTATES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSFN), BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 509.

-30- 325
#90313c0766 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, TERRENCE A LARSEN, CHAIRMAN OF CORESTATES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSFN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90313c0767 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, TERRENCE A LARSEN, CHAIRMAN OF CORESTATES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSFN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,525.

-30- 340
#90313c0768 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, TERRENCE A LARSEN, CHAIRMAN OF CORESTATES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSFN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90313c0769 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, TERRENCE A LARSEN, CHAIRMAN OF CORESTATES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSFN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 337
#90313c0771 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, SEYMOUR S PRESTON III, DIR. OF CORESTATES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSFN), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 336
#90313c0772 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, THEODORE M SOLSO, VP OF CUMMINS ENGINE CO. (TICKER: CUM), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $36.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 310
#90313c0773 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, RICHARD L RADCLIFF, DIR. OF CHESTER VALLEY BANCORP (TICKER: CVAL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,477.

-30- 330
#90313c0774 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ELLEN A ROBERTS, PRES. OF CHESTER VALLEY BANCORP (TICKER: CVAL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,241.

-30- 329

#90313c0775 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, VINCENT BREITENBERGER, PRES. OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,762.

-30- 327
#90313c0776 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, DENNIS C BOTTORFF, PRES. OF C&S/SOVRAN CORP. (TICKER: CVN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,267.

-30- 330
#90313c0777 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ALBERT B GORNTO JR, DIR. OF C&S/SOVRAN CORP. (TICKER: CVN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,969.

-30- 314
#90313c0779 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DAVID H SCHAPER, DIR. OF DAUPHIN DEPOSIT CORP. (TICKER: DAPN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,466.

-30- 316
#90313c0780 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM B THOMAS, DIR. OF DCNY CORP. (TICKER: DCY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 297
#90313c0781 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, KARL W DIECKMANN, DIR. OF DIGITAL SOLUTIONS INC.

(TICKER: DGSI), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,000.

-30- 328
#90313c0782 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, WILLIAM E DEARDEN, DIR. OF DUN & BRADSTREET CORP. (TICKER: DNB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $41.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 319
#90313c0783 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, VERNON R LOUCKS JR, DIR. OF DUN & BRADSTREET CORP. (TICKER: DNB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 319
#90313c0784 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, AV INVESTMENT III NV, BEN. OWNER OF D.O.C. OPTICS CORP. (TICKER: DOCO), SOLD 233,904 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90313c0785 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, FLOYD H LAWSON, DIR. OF DOVER CORP. (TICKER: DOV), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,764.

-30- 295
#90313c0787 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, LAWRENCE M GREENE, DIR. OF DREYFUS CORP. (TICKER: DRY), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90313c0788 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LAWRENCE M GREENE, DIR. OF DREYFUS CORP. (TICKER: DRY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90313c0789 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, LAWRENCE M GREENE, DIR. OF DREYFUS CORP. (TICKER: DRY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,200.

-30- 299
#90313c0790 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, LAWRENCE M GREENE, DIR. OF DREYFUS CORP. (TICKER: DRY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90313c0791 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LAWRENCE M GREENE, DIR. OF DREYFUS CORP. (TICKER: DRY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 300
#90313c0792 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ROBERT E DAVIS JR, VP OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,596.

-30- 314
#90313c0793 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289

#90313c0795 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,591,500.

-30- 332
#90313c0796 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, C EDWARD ASHBY JR, PRES. OF ENVIROSAFE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: ENVI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,001.

-30- 320
#90313c0797 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WILLIAM G BENTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HEALTH EQUITY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: EQP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,356.

-30- 362
#90313c0798 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, WILLIAM G BENTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HEALTH EQUITY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: EQP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90313c0799 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WILLIAM G BENTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HEALTH EQUITY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: EQP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90313c0800 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, WILLIAM G BENTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HEALTH EQUITY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: EQP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,900.

-30- 356
#90313c0801 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WENDELL P HURLBUT III, PRES. OF ESTERLINE CORP. (TICKER: ESL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,200.

-30- 313
#90313c0803 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOHN SLOAN JR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,102.

-30- 320
#90313c0804 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JOHN SLOAN JR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0805 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN SLOAN JR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0806 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN SLOAN JR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,603.

-30- 318
#90313c0807 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, C TALMADGE GARRISON, VP OF FIRST NATIONAL BANCORP. (GA) (TICKER: FBAC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90313c0808 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, C TALMADGE GARRISON, VP OF FIRST NATIONAL BANCORP. (GA) (TICKER: FBAC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,455.

-30- 338
#90313c0809 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, C TALMADGE GARRISON, VP OF FIRST NATIONAL BANCORP. (GA) (TICKER: FBAC), BOUGHT 121 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,212.

-30- 348
#90313c0811 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, PETER D MILLER, VP OF FIRST NATIONAL BANCORP. (GA) (TICKER: FBAC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0812 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, PETER D MILLER, VP OF FIRST NATIONAL BANCORP. (GA) (TICKER: FBAC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,779.

-30- 330
#90313c0813 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, DONALD D BRADLEY, OFFICER OF FURON CO. (TICKER: FCBN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 297
#90313c0814 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, HENRY B PEARSALL, DIR. OF FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: FCOL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90313c0815 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, HENRY B PEARSALL, DIR. OF FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: FCOL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90313c0816 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, HENRY B PEARSALL, DIR. OF FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: FCOL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,700.

-30- 343
#90313c0817 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, EDWARD M SIMMONS, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCE CORP. (TICKER: FCOM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,108.

-30- 320
#90313c0819 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1990, PF AVERY RTRMNT TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FERROFLUIDICS CORP. (TICKER: FERO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90313c0820 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, PF AVERY RTRMNT TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FERROFLUIDICS CORP.

(TICKER: FERO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90313c0821 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, PF AVERY RTRMNT TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FERROFLUIDICS CORP. (TICKER: FERO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 337
#90313c0822 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JAMES G CULLEN, DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 336
#90313c0823 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MICHAEL L LARUSSO, VP OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 330
#90313c0824 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ROCCO J MARANO, DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,548.

-30- 336
#90313c0825 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JAMES L MITCHELL, VP OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 336
#90313c0827 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ANTHONY P TERRACCIANO, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,100.

-30- 357
#90313c0828 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, VADEN FITTON, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90313c0829 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, VADEN FITTON, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,970.

-30- 337
#90313c0830 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOHN B ELLIS, DIR. OF FLOWERS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FLO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,000.

-30- 309
#90313c0831 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOHN B ELLIS, DIR. OF FLOWERS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FLO), BOUGHT 925 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 306
#90313c0832 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, EARL L NEAL, DIR. OF FIRST CHICAGO CORP. (TICKER: FNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 306
#90313c0833 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, WILLIAM BARNET III, DIR. OF FLEET/NORSTAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FNG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90313c0835 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JOHN A MORAN, DIR. OF FORTUNE FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FORF), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,250.

-30- 326
#90313c0836 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MILTON PORTER, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE OF FOSTER (L.B.) CO. (TICKER: FSTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,264.

-30- 339
#90313c0837 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, TORRENCE E HEMBY JR, DIR. OF FIRST UNION CORP. (TICKER: FTU), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 313
#90313c0838 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN J LANNON, VP OF NICOR INC. (TICKER: GAS), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $44.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,264.

-30- 284

#90313c0839 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, MUTUAL SERIES FUND INC, BEN. OWNER OF GULF APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GATS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 335,549.

-30- 367
#90313c0840 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, KENNETH F KAPLAN, OFFICER OF GEHL CO. (TICKER: GEHL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 295
#90313c0841 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, RICHARD P JOHNSTON, DIR. OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON CO. (TICKER: GHX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 324
#90313c0843 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, HORACE B ATWATER JR, CHAIRMAN OF GENERAL MILLS INC. (TICKER: GIS), SOLD 816 SHARES AT $82.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 806.

-30- 321
#90313c0844 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, DEAN BELBAS, VP OF GENERAL MILLS INC. (TICKER: GIS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,760.

-30- 301
#90313c0845 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, BRADLEY CURREY JR, DIR. OF GENUINE PARTS CO. (TICKER: GPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $36.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90313c0846 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, BRADLEY CURREY JR, DIR. OF GENUINE PARTS CO. (TICKER: GPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 312
#90313c0847 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, WILLIAM L WALLACE, DIR. OF THE GOODRICH (B.F.) CO. (TICKER: GR), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 317
#90313c0848 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ROBERT K SWANSON, DIR. OF GROSSMAN'S INC. (TICKER: GROS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 311
#90313c0849 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ROBERT E ELBERSON, DIR. OF GRAINGER (W.W.) INC. (TICKER: GWW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $57.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 313
#90313c0851 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $1.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90313c0852 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90313c0853 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90313c0854 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0855 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0856 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 20,500 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0857 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0859 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90313c0860 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 269,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90313c0861 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $1.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90313c0862 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90313c0863 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $1.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90313c0864 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, M I M (CANADA) INC, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,976,700.

-30- 319
#90313c0865 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0867 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90313c0868 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90313c0869 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c0870 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c0871 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c0872 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c0873 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c0875 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 269,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90313c0876 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $1.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0877 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c0878 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $1.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90313c0879 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, M I M HOLDINGS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF GRANGES INC. (TICKER: GXL), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,976,700.

-30- 332
#90313c0880 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, CLARENCE H RIDLEY, DIR. OF HAVERTY FURNITURE COS. (TICKER: HAVT), BOUGHT 577 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,798.

-30- 320
#90313c0881 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, LAWRENCE H WHEELER, OFFICER OF HEICO CORP. (TICKER: HEI), SOLD 750 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750.

-30- 298
#90313c0883 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, HARVEY A WEINBERG, CHAIRMAN OF HARTMARX CORP. (TICKER: HMX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,882.

-30- 316
#90313c0884 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, WILLIAM T OWENS, VP OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC), SOLD 9,750 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90313c0885 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, WILLIAM T OWENS, VP OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90313c0886 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, W PETER CARNEY, OFFICER OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90313c0887 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN T HARTLEY, CHAIRMAN OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 308
#90313c0888 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, BRYAN R ROUB, OFFICER OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 295
#90313c0889 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, BRYAN R ROUB, OFFICER OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90313c0891 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ROBERT E SULLIVAN, OFFICER OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90313c0892 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, DONALD K WILSON JR, OFFICER OF HARTFORD STEAM BOILER INSPECT & INSUR CO. (TICKER: HSB), SOLD 1,600 SHARES AT $48.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90313c0893 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, IRA D BROWN, DIR. OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,000.

-30- 323
#90313c0894 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, JOEL W GREENBERG, DIR. OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90313c0895 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, JOEL W GREENBERG, DIR. OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $1.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90313c0896 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, JOEL W GREENBERG, DIR. OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90313c0897 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, JOEL W GREENBERG, DIR. OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $1.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90313c0899 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 30, 1990, JOEL W GREENBERG, DIR. OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90313c0900 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1990, JOEL W GREENBERG, DIR. OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 880,100.

-30- 308
#90313c0901 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, JOEL W GREENBERG, DIR. OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90313c0902 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, JOEL W GREENBERG, DIR. OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $1.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90313c0903 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOEL W GREENBERG, DIR. OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $1.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 806,100.

-30- 308
#90313c0904 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, RICHARD H FRANCIS, DIR. OF INDONESIA FUND INC. (TICKER: IF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 313
#90313c0905 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, INTER-REGIONAL STK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 25,700 SHARES AT $5.26 PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,153,059.

-30- 385
#90313c0907 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, JOHN J KORAB JR, OFFICER OF ISCO INC. (TICKER: ISKO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 293
#90313c0908 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, PHILIP M WITTIG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ISCO INC. (TICKER: ISKO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,850.

-30- 317
#90313c0909 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, PHILIP M WITTIG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ISCO INC. (TICKER: ISKO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 316
#90313c0910 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JACK FISHMAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,015,325.

-30- 341
#90313c0911 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0912 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0913 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0915 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0916 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0917 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0918 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0919 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0920 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90313c0921 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0923 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $9.65 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0924 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0925 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0926 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0927 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90313c0928 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90313c0929 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90313c0931 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90313c0932 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP.
(TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0933 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0934 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0935 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $9.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0936 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0937 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0939 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0940 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0941 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90313c0942 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90313c0943 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90313c0944 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0945 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90313c0947 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90313c0948 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $9.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,432,410.

-30- 326
#90313c0949 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CHARLES HSIAO, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c0950 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CHARLES HSIAO, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,250.

-30- 317
#90313c0951 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, MARK K ROSENFELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 824,842.

-30- 375
#90313c0952 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, FRANK E BAXTER, PRES. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90313c0953 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, FRANK E BAXTER, PRES. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90313c0955 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WILLIAM M DOLLAR, OFFICER OF HARLAND (JOHN H.) CO. (TICKER: JH), BOUGHT 145 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 554.

-30- 320
#90313c0956 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ROMAN B OSER, OFFICER OF KIMBALL INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: KBAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,450.

-30- 324
#90313c0957 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, YANK D COBLE JR, DIR. OF KOGER EQUITY INC. (TICKER: KE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 308
#90313c0958 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, WADE L HAMPTON, VP OF KOGER EQUITY INC. (TICKER: KE), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $9.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 306
#90313c0959 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, IRA M KOGER, CHAIRMAN OF KOGER EQUITY INC. (TICKER: KE),

BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $9.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,700.

-30- 312
#90313c0960 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, STEPHEN D LOBRANO, DIR. OF KOGER EQUITY INC. (TICKER: KE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 306
#90313c0961 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WALTER P NEELY, DIR. OF KLLM TRANSPORT SERVICES INC. (TICKER: KLLM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 316
#90313c0963 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOHN J GILLIN, VP OF THE COCA-COLA CO. (TICKER: KO), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $44.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 299
#90313c0964 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, WILFORD C LYON JR, DIR. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,650.

-30- 314
#90313c0965 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOSEPH H IRANI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LANCER ORTHODONTICS INC. (TICKER: LANZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,679.

-30- 350
#90313c0966 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, W HAYNE HIPP, PRES. OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $44.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90313c0967 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, W HAYNE HIPP, PRES. OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $44.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 179,162.

-30- 297
#90313c0968 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, KATHRYN R ARTERBERRY, OFFICER OF LIBERTY NATIONAL BANK (TICKER: LIBC), BOUGHT 450 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 926.

-30- 332
#90313c0969 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 27, 1988, ROBERT X KELLEHER, VP OF LONG ISLAND LIGHTING CO. (TICKER: LIL), SOLD 202 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 133.

-30- 318
#90313c0971 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOHN W KESSLER, DIR. OF THE LIMITED INC. (TICKER: LTD), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,576.

-30- 300
#90313c0972 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, PAUL M DOUGAN, DIR. OF LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: LUK), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0973 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, THOMAS J GUENDEL, SHAREHOLDER OF MANITOWOC INC. (TICKER: MANT), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0974 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, THOMAS J GUENDEL, SHAREHOLDER OF MANITOWOC INC. (TICKER: MANT), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90313c0975 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JULLIETTE S TEHRANI, VP OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90313c0976 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, PAUL A VOLCKER, DIR. OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 293
#90313c0977 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ARTHUR M WARREN, VP OF MBIA INC. (TICKER: MBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 289
#90313c0979 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ROBERT P MCGRATH, CHAIRMAN OF MCGRATH RENTCORP. (TICKER: MGRC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,199,977.

-30- 328
#90313c0980 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM B THOMAS, DIR. OF MANUFACTURERS HANOVER CORP. (TICKER: MHC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c0981 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WILLIAM B THOMAS, DIR. OF MANUFACTURERS HANOVER CORP. (TICKER: MHC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,100.

-30- 334
#90313c0982 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JAMES F BURWELL, AFFILIATED PERSON OF MID-AM INC. (TICKER: MIAM), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,569.

-30- 322
#90313c0983 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MARJORIE E CONRAD, DIR. OF MID-AM INC. (TICKER: MIAM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90313c0984 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MARJORIE E CONRAD, DIR. OF MID-AM INC. (TICKER: MIAM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90313c0985 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, E EUGENE CORNWELL, AFFILIATED PERSON OF MID-AM INC.

(TICKER: MIAM), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,109.

-30- 325
#90313c0987 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ROBERT A FOX, DIR. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,897.

-30- 298
#90313c0988 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, FRED R SULLIVAN, DIR. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90313c0989 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, FRED R SULLIVAN, DIR. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,201.

-30- 305
#90313c0990 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, STEPHEN W DOUCETTE, OFFICER OF MILWAUKEE INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: MILW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 347
#90313c0991 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, DOW CHEMICAL CO, BEN. OWNER OF MARION MERRELL DOW INC. (TICKER: MKC), BOUGHT 300,000 SHARES AT $31.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90313c0992 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, EDWARD L HENNESSY JR, DIR. OF MARTIN MARIETTA CORP. (TICKER: ML), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $37.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 320
#90313c0993 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, GERARD J TRIPPITELLI, PRES. OF MATLACK SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MLK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,250.

-30- 328
#90313c0995 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ROBERT J STEWERT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE MONARCH MACHINE TOOL CO. (TICKER: MMO), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 351
#90313c0996 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, HAMLINE C WILSON, VP OF MASSMUTUAL PARTICIPATION INVESTORS (TICKER: MPV), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 510.

-30- 339
#90313c0997 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, RICHARD C KUGLER, VP OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,400.

-30- 299
#90313c0998 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, GREGORY L JOHN, VP OF NORTHBAY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: NBF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 310
#90313c0999 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM F SCHMIED, DIR. OF NORTHEAST BANCORP. (TICKER: NBIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 320
#90313c1000 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ROBERT H SPILMAN, DIR. OF NCNB CORP. (TICKER: NCB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90313c1001 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ROBERT H SPILMAN, DIR. OF NCNB CORP. (TICKER: NCB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,708.

-30- 292
#90313c1003 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, EXCHANGE INSURANCE CO, BEN. OWNER OF NIAGARA EXCHANGE CORP. (TICKER: NIEX), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90313c1004 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, EXCHANGE INSURANCE CO, BEN. OWNER OF NIAGARA EXCHANGE CORP. (TICKER: NIEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 87,220.

-30- 349
#90313c1005 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, WARREN G HYMAN, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER:

NLI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90313c1006 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WARREN G HYMAN, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: NLI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90313c1007 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WARREN G HYMAN, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: NLI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90313c1008 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WARREN G HYMAN, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: NLI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90313c1009 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, WARREN G HYMAN, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: NLI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90313c1011 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WARREN G HYMAN, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: NLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90313c1012 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WARREN G HYMAN, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER:

NLI), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 491,322.

-30- 316
#90313c1013 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, PETER M ARNOLD, DIR. OF NEWMIL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NMSB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90313c1014 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, PETER M ARNOLD, DIR. OF NEWMIL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NMSB), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 312
#90313c1015 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, TOM KILLEFER, DIR. OF NORTHROP CORP. (TICKER: NOC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90313c1016 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JAMES C MOULE, VP OF NICHOLS RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: NRES), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 329.

-30- 305
#90313c1017 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, DURWARD M ENGLISH, CHAIRMAN OF NATIONAL SECURITY GROUP INC. (TICKER: NSEC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,382.

-30- 339
#90313c1019 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, GUSSIE R PINCKARD, DIR. OF NATIONAL SECURITY GROUP INC. (TICKER: NSEC), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,106.

-30- 333
#90313c1020 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WALTER P WILKERSON, DIR. OF NATIONAL SECURITY GROUP INC. (TICKER: NSEC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 410.

-30- 329
#90313c1021 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WALTER P WILKERSON, DIR. OF NATIONAL SECURITY GROUP INC. (TICKER: NSEC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,520.

-30- 334
#90313c1022 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, SAMUEL SIEGEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NUCOR CORP. (TICKER: NUE), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $63.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90313c1023 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, SAMUEL SIEGEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NUCOR CORP. (TICKER: NUE), SOLD 632 SHARES AT $63.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 139,582.

-30- 312
#90313c1024 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOHN H FOSTER, CHAIRMAN OF NOVACARE INC. (TICKER: NVCR), SOLD 33,246 SHARES AT $14.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,573.

-30- 309
#90313c1025 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOHN H FOSTER, CHAIRMAN OF NOVACARE INC. (TICKER: NVCR), SOLD 160,477 SHARES AT $14.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90313c1027 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, FRANK E FURST, DIR. OF NORTHWEST ILLINOIS BANCORP INC (TICKER: NWIB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 331
#90313c1028 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DOUGLAS L MITCHELL, DIR. OF NORTHWEST ILLINOIS BANCORP INC (TICKER: NWIB), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,811.

-30- 342
#90313c1029 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 205 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90313c1030 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90313c1031 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING

LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90313c1032 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90313c1033 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90313c1035 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90313c1036 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90313c1037 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90313c1038 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING

LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90313c1039 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 228 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90313c1040 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90313c1041 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90313c1043 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90313c1044 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 239 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90313c1045 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING

LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90313c1046 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90313c1047 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90313c1048 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90313c1049 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90313c1051 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90313c1052 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING

LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 203 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90313c1053 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,606,775.

-30- 380
#90313c1054 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, GUY L HEYL, OFFICER OF OMNI FILMS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OFII), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 320
#90313c1055 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JAMES W VALE, DIR. OF OHIO BANCORP. (TICKER: OHBC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,227.

-30- 297
#90313c1056 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, RICHARD W POGUE, DIR. OF OHM CORP. (TICKER: OHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90313c1057 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, RICHARD W POGUE, DIR. OF OHM CORP. (TICKER: OHM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,500.

-30- 286
#90313c1059 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JACK J GOLDSTEIN, PRES. OF OMI CORP. (TICKER: OMM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 299
#90313c1060 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JACK J GOLDSTEIN, PRES. OF OMI CORP. (TICKER: OMM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90313c1061 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JACK J GOLDSTEIN, PRES. OF OMI CORP. (TICKER: OMM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,785.

-30- 298
#90313c1062 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, HOWARD T CUSIC, DIR. OF OREGON METALLURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: OREM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 326
#90313c1063 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORS CORP. (TICKER: ORSC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90313c1064 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORS CORP. (TICKER: ORSC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90313c1065 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORS CORP. (TICKER: ORSC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90313c1067 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORS CORP. (TICKER: ORSC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90313c1068 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORS CORP. (TICKER: ORSC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,945,787.

-30- 324
#90313c1069 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOHN M FOWLER, VP OF PRIMERICA CORP. (TICKER: PA), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $22.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,946.

-30- 298
#90313c1070 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, GENE G ELAM, OFFICER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 759 SHARES AT $22.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90313c1071 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CHARLES R WEAVER, DIR. OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 299

#90313c1072 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, ROBERT M ARMSTRONG, SHAREHOLDER OF PROPERTY CAPITAL TRUST (TICKER: PCT), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90313c1073 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, GEORGE L SEWARD, DIR. OF PRIMA ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: PENG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,211.

-30- 309
#90313c1075 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, RICHARD R NICOLOSI, DIV. OFFICER OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 8,038 SHARES AT $80.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,274.

-30- 336
#90313c1076 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, MALCOLM W PHILBROOK, DIR. OF PEOPLES HERITAGE FINL GROUP INC. (TICKER: PHBK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90313c1077 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, MALCOLM W PHILBROOK, DIR. OF PEOPLES HERITAGE FINL GROUP INC. (TICKER: PHBK), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,400.

-30- 347
#90313c1078 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, MALCOLM W PHILBROOK, DIR. OF PEOPLES HERITAGE FINL GROUP INC. (TICKER: PHBK), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 21,300.

-30- 350
#90313c1079 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, RAY E YARKIN, SHAREHOLDER OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,414.

-30- 329
#90313c1080 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, GARY D HIRSCH, CHAIRMAN OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90313c1081 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GARY D HIRSCH, CHAIRMAN OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90313c1083 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, CLAUDE J INCAUDO, PRES. OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90313c1084 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, CLAUDE J INCAUDO, PRES. OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,915.

-30- 312
#90313c1085 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, CITIZENS & SOUTHERN TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF POLAROID CORP. (TICKER: PRD), SOLD 11,709 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,977,678.

-30- 353
#90313c1086 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, POLAROID SEP & TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF POLAROID CORP. (TICKER: PRD), SOLD 11,709 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,977,678.

-30- 334
#90313c1087 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ROBERTO DE JESUS TORO, DIR. OF PUERTO RICAN CEMENT CO. (TICKER: PRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $39.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 330
#90313c1088 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ROBERT S BRIGGS, OFFICER OF PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP. (TICKER: PROT), BOUGHT 155 SHARES AT $12.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,603.

-30- 323
#90313c1089 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, WILLIAM J RUSHTON III, CHAIRMAN OF PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP. (TICKER: PROT), SOLD 15,841 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90313c1091 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WILLIAM J RUSHTON III, CHAIRMAN OF PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP. (TICKER: PROT), SOLD 4,948 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,307.

-30- 336
#90313c1092 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WILLIAM J RUSHTON III, CHAIRMAN OF PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP. (TICKER: PROT), BOUGHT 4,948 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 394,143.

-30- 335
#90313c1093 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, WILLIAM J RUSHTON III, CHAIRMAN OF PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP. (TICKER: PROT), BOUGHT 6,122 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90313c1094 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JACK KAY, OFFICER OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $2.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90313c1095 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, JACK KAY, OFFICER OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90313c1096 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, JACK KAY, OFFICER OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.57 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 322
#90313c1097 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, M ANTHONY BURNS, CHAIRMAN OF RYDER SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: R), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90313c1099 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, CAPERCAILLIE HOLDINGS INC, BEN. OWNER OF READING & BATES CORP. (TICKER: RB), BOUGHT 117,990 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,772,802.

-30- 371
#90313c1100 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JOHN G JOHNSON JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARCO CHEMICAL CO. (TICKER: RCM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $31.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 334
#90313c1101 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ARLENE Z SCHREIBER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REEDS JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: REED), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,625.

-30- 349
#90313c1102 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ALAN M ZIMMER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REEDS JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: REED), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,125.

-30- 360
#90313c1103 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ALAN M ZIMMER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REEDS JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: REED), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 705,236.

-30- 364
#90313c1104 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, HERBERT J ZIMMER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REEDS JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: REED), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,625.

-30- 345
#90313c1105 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JEFFREY L ZIMMER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REEDS JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: REED), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,625.

-30- 344
#90313c1107 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLAUDE C JOHNSON, SHAREHOLDER OF RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: RESR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,049.

-30- 319
#90313c1108 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, FRED T RENSHAW, PRES. OF RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: RESR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,200.

-30- 303
#90313c1109 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, STANLEY J BRADSHAW, PRES. OF ROOSEVELT FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RFED), BOUGHT 306 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,755.

-30- 342
#90313c1110 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WILLIAM A KIMBLE, PRES. OF ROOSEVELT FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RFED), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,210.

-30- 338
#90313c1111 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM A KIMBLE, PRES. OF ROOSEVELT FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RFED), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,152.

-30- 340
#90313c1112 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, CHARLES M STOUT, PRES. OF ROOSEVELT FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RFED), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 339
#90313c1113 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, WILBUR M RABINOWITZ, DIR. OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $38.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 326
#90313c1115 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $38.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90313c1116 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c1117 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $38.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c1118 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c1119 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $38.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c1120 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,987,810.

-30- 338
#90313c1121 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ERIC R BENSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CRUISE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: RVR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,600.

-30- 332
#90313c1123 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOHN K HOUSSELS III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SHOWBOAT INC.

(TICKER: SBO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c1124 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN K HOUSSELS III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SHOWBOAT INC. (TICKER: SBO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,150.

-30- 332
#90313c1125 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DAVID L SMART, VP OF BOSTON BANCORPORATION (TICKER: SBOS), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,112.

-30- 306
#90313c1126 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, LUCIUS E BURCH III, DIR. OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $16.83 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 120,000.

-30- 341
#90313c1127 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JAMES F WIGGETT, OFFICER OF SCHWAB (CHARLES) CORP. (TICKER: SCH), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90313c1128 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JAMES F WIGGETT, OFFICER OF SCHWAB (CHARLES) CORP. (TICKER: SCH), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,800.

-30- 327

#90313c1129 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, EDWARD H JENNINGS, DIR. OF SUPER FOOD SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SFS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 314
#90313c1131 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, RICHARD M FRANK, CHAIRMAN OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c1132 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, RICHARD M FRANK, CHAIRMAN OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90313c1133 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, RICHARD M FRANK, CHAIRMAN OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90313c1134 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, RICHARD M FRANK, CHAIRMAN OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90313c1135 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, RICHARD M FRANK, CHAIRMAN OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ), SOLD 27,500 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 239,219.

-30- 333
#90313c1136 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, RONALD F SAUPE, VP OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 316
#90313c1137 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ALICE M WINTERS, VP OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $22.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 445.

-30- 311
#90313c1139 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, DONALD W ZENTMEYER, OFFICER OF SHOWBIZ PIZZA TIME INC (TICKER: SHBZ), SOLD 650 SHARES AT $23.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90313c1140 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, TERRENCE W KYLE, OFFICER OF SHARED MEDICAL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: SMED), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 148.

-30- 332
#90313c1141 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, SEYMOUR ZWICKLER, DIR. OF SUN CITY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SNI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 313
#90313c1142 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, PETER C HICKEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SOCIETY FOR SAVINGS BANCORP. (TICKER: SOCS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 361
#90313c1143 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, EDWARD W LARGE, DIR. OF SOCIETY FOR SAVINGS BANCORP. (TICKER: SOCS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 338
#90313c1144 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, HERBERT STOCKHAM, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 569 SHARES AT $15.46 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,135.

-30- 309
#90313c1145 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, TRUMAN COLE, VP OF SOFTWARE PUBLISHING CORP. (TICKER: SPCO), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 315
#90313c1147 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, HAN M HAWKER, OFFICER OF STONERIDGE RESOURCE INC. (TICKER: SRE), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 321
#90313c1148 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, RICHARD K RAPPLEYE, DIR. OF STONERIDGE RESOURCE INC. (TICKER: SRE), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,350.

-30- 325
#90313c1149 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, MICHAEL E ROSEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHOP TELEVISION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: STNP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90313c1150 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, MICHAEL E ROSEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHOP TELEVISION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: STNP), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90313c1151 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, MICHAEL E ROSEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHOP TELEVISION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: STNP), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90313c1152 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, MICHAEL E ROSEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHOP TELEVISION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: STNP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,804,350.

-30- 344
#90313c1153 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, K RANGARAJAN, VP OF STANDARD COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: STW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,436.

-30- 314
#90313c1155 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, CITIZENS & SOUTHERN TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF SAVANNAH

FOODS & INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SVAN), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90313c1156 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CITIZENS & SOUTHERN TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF SAVANNAH FOODS & INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SVAN), BOUGHT 5,308 SHARES AT $23.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90313c1157 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, SAVANNAH FOODS & INDS INC ESOP TR, BEN. OWNER OF SAVANNAH FOODS & INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SVAN), BOUGHT 1,073 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90313c1158 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, SAVANNAH FOODS & INDS INC ESOP TR, BEN. OWNER OF SAVANNAH FOODS & INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SVAN), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90313c1159 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, SAVANNAH FOODS & INDS INC ESOP TR, BEN. OWNER OF SAVANNAH FOODS & INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SVAN), BOUGHT 5,308 SHARES AT $23.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90313c1160 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, HUGH D REED JR, DIR. OF SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC SERVICE CO. (TICKER: SWEL), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,200.

-30- 332
#90313c1161 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, HARWOOD SHEPARD, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 98,650.

-30- 300
#90313c1163 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM O SPARKS, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,500.

-30- 302
#90313c1164 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, LEE W WILSON, DIR. OF SIERRA CAPITAL REALTY TRUST VI (TICKER: SZF), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90313c1165 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, LEE W WILSON, DIR. OF SIERRA CAPITAL REALTY TRUST VI (TICKER: SZF), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 340
#90313c1166 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, CAROLINE R HUNT, DIR. OF TANDY CORP. (TICKER: TAN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90313c1167 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, FREDERICK P WOODS, VP OF TREDEGAR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TG), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

3,043.

-30- 304
#90313c1168 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, DAVID C GARRETT JR, DIR. OF THE TRAVELERS CORP. (TICKER: TIC), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,800.

-30- 314
#90313c1169 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, THOMAS E KEATING, VP OF THE TRAVELERS CORP. (TICKER: TIC), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,388.

-30- 309
#90313c1171 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, GEORGE A RYAN, VP OF THE TRAVELERS CORP. (TICKER: TIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,938.

-30- 300
#90313c1172 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, GENE P GARDNER, DIR. OF THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TII), BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90313c1173 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, GENE P GARDNER, DIR. OF THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TII), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,624.

-30- 310
#90313c1174 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LORRAINE O LEGG, PRES. OF TIS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: TIS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 334
#90313c1175 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 23, 1990, WARREN N BIMBLICK, OFFICER OF TRINOVA CORP. (TICKER: TNV), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 304
#90313c1176 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, KAREN N HORN, DIR. OF TRW INC. (TICKER: TRW), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $32.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 279
#90313c1177 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, BARRY D BAILEY, VP OF EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: TXCO), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,750,000.

-30- 308
#90313c1179 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BILL MOELLER, VP OF TYSON FOODS INC. (TICKER: TYSN), SOLD 7,300 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,686.

-30- 300
#90313c1180 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, WILLIAM MCCULLOCH, OFFICER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284

#90313c1181 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, WILLIAM MCCULLOCH, OFFICER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 1,250 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90313c1182 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, WILLIAM MCCULLOCH, OFFICER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 1,700 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 326
#90313c1183 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOHN D FASSETT, DIR. OF THE UNITED ILLUMINATING CO. (TICKER: UIL), BOUGHT 721 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 325
#90313c1184 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, FRANK G BRANDENBERG, VP OF UNISYS CORP. (TICKER: UIS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,659.

-30- 300
#90313c1185 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, PETER J GINDIN, VP OF UJB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UJB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 398.

-30- 301
#90313c1187 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JERRY J WAKEFIELD, OFFICER OF USLIFE CORP. (TICKER: USH), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 304
#90313c1188 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, MILTON W WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF U.S. HEALTHCARE INC. (TICKER: USHC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 326
#90313c1189 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DAVID S HICKMAN, SHAREHOLDER OF UNITED BANCORP INC. (TICKER: UTBK), BOUGHT 120 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90313c1190 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, DAVID S HICKMAN, SHAREHOLDER OF UNITED BANCORP INC. (TICKER: UTBK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,919.

-30- 342
#90313c1191 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ROBERT D MCKEEHAN, DIR. OF UNITOG CO. (TICKER: UTOG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90313c1192 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ROBERT D MCKEEHAN, DIR. OF UNITOG CO. (TICKER: UTOG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 300
#90313c1193 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, GERARD R BRAET, VP OF UNITED TELEVISION INC. (TICKER:

UTVI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90313c1195 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, STUART Z SWARTZ, VP OF UNITED TELEVISION INC. (TICKER: UTVI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90313c1196 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, STUART Z SWARTZ, VP OF UNITED TELEVISION INC. (TICKER: UTVI), SOLD 282 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 311
#90313c1197 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, DAVID M KELLY, DIV. OFFICER OF UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: UTX), SOLD 2,234 SHARES AT $46.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90313c1198 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, DAVID M KELLY, DIV. OFFICER OF UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: UTX), SOLD 552 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 332
#90313c1199 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JILL L FORCE, OFFICER OF VENCOR CORP. (TICKER: VCOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 301
#90313c1200 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JILL L FORCE, OFFICER OF VENCOR CORP. (TICKER: VCOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 303
#90313c1201 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WILLIAM H LOMICKA, DIR. OF VENCOR CORP. (TICKER: VCOR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,000.

-30- 301
#90313c1203 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DONALD A PATRICK, DIR. OF VIRCO MANUFACTURING CORP. (TICKER: VIR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 338
#90313c1204 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ROBERT F B LOGAN, PRES. OF VALLEY NATIONAL CORP.(AZ) (TICKER: VNCP), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,900.

-30- 330
#90313c1205 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, DUANE D MILLER, DIR. OF VALLEY NATIONAL CORP.(AZ) (TICKER: VNCP), BOUGHT 2,531 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,415.

-30- 323
#90313c1206 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ALFRED J PFISTER, DIR. OF VALLEY NATIONAL CORP.(AZ) (TICKER: VNCP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 326
#90313c1207 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, BRUNO MAESTRI, VP OF VERSAR INC. (TICKER: VSR), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,211.

-30- 288
#90313c1208 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ROBERT P OUELLETTE, VP OF VERSAR INC. (TICKER: VSR), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90313c1209 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ROBERT P OUELLETTE, VP OF VERSAR INC. (TICKER: VSR), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90313c1211 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ROBERT P OUELLETTE, VP OF VERSAR INC. (TICKER: VSR), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,690.

-30- 293
#90313c1212 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOHN V BRENNAN, VP OF WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WBST), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 459.

-30- 311
#90313c1213 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, STUART V M CAMPBELL, VP OF WELLS FARGO & CO. (TICKER: WFC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 308
#90313c1214 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JOHN C WEST, DIR. OF WHITTAKER CORP. (TICKER: WKR), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90313c1215 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOHN C WEST, DIR. OF WHITTAKER CORP. (TICKER: WKR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90313c1216 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JOHN C WEST, DIR. OF WHITTAKER CORP. (TICKER: WKR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,401.

-30- 294
#90313c1217 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, RICHARD P GARVEY, DIR. OF EXCEL BANCORP INC.,QUINCY (MA) (TICKER: XCEL), BOUGHT 281 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90313c1219 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JACK R INGRAM, PRES. OF XETA CORP. (TICKER: XETA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90313c1220 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JACK R INGRAM, PRES. OF XETA CORP. (TICKER: XETA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,500.

-30- 295
#90313c1221 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JAMES E TINNELL, DIR. OF ZILA INC. (TICKER: ZILA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90313c1222 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JAMES E TINNELL, DIR. OF ZILA INC. (TICKER: ZILA), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 783,381.

-30- 295
#90313c1223 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JEFFREY P LAZAR, VP OF ZWEIG TOTAL RETURN FUND INC. (TICKER: ZTR), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 504.

-30- 321
#90313c1224 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

UNILABS HOLDINGS SA OF GENEVA, SWITZERLAND OWNS 14,149,447 SHARES (52.90%) OF UNILAB CORP (TICKER: ULAB) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 5, 1990, Unilabs Holdings SA's subsidiary Coronaut AEC, Metpath Inc. and other Unilabs Holdings SA shareholders entered into an amended memorandum of understanding.

-30- 524
#90313c1225 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the merger among MGM/UA and Pathe Communications Co.(TICKER: MGM), MGM/UA became a wholly owned subsidiary of Pathe and K. Kerkorian no longer hold any common shares of MGM/UA. On Nov. 1, 1990 each of Tracinda's 35,046,037 common shares and 10 million series A redeemable preferred shares and Kerkorian's 1,275,500 common shares were converted into $17.50 cash per share.

-30- 613
#90313c1227 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

PORTA SYSTEMS CORP OF SYOSSET, NEW YORK OWNS 613,396 SHARES (22.80%) OF NORTH HILLS ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: NOHL) OF GLEN COVE, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Porta Systems Corp. has entered into a merger agreement dated Nov. 3, 1990 with the North Hills Electronics Inc. and a wholly owned subsidiary of Porta Systems Corp. Under the agreement, the subsidiary will be merged with and into the North Hills Electronicstr, with the North Hills Electronicstr as the surviving company and wholly owned subsidiary of Porta Systems Corp. Each North Hills Electronicstr share shall be converted into the right to receive $2.50 in cash.

PURPOSE:

Merger agreement.

-30- 883
#90313c1228 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWNS 542,100 SHARES (4.90%) OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC (TICKER: FCI) OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Industrial Equity Pacific LTD. sold 214,800 shares from Aug. 8 to Nov. 7, 1990 for $.45 to $1.94 per share.

-30- 488
#90313c1229 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE CO. OWNS 6,073,000 SHARES (15.10%) OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: AX) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 425
#90313c1230 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP OWNS 549,200 SHARES (16.10%) OF WHITEHALL CORP (TICKER: WHT) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Cambridge Capital Fund LP purchased 70,900 shares from Sept. 12 to Nov. 8, 1990 for $9 to $12 per share.

-30- 459
#90313c1231 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

A.R. MISHKIN OWNS 3,801,000 SHARES (7.10%) OF STRATFORD AMERICAN CORP (TICKER: STRC) OF PHOENIX, ARIZONA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

A.R. Mishkin was issued 300,000 shares on Oct. 1, 1990, purchased 600,000 shares on Oct. 29, 1990 for $45,000 and exchanged 200,000 unrestricted common shares for 250,000 restricted common shares. If the preferred stock of the A.R. Mishkin were converted into common shares, the common stake would fall

somewhere between 9.3 percent and 10.51 percent depending on the total number of outstanding preferred shares converted into common.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 807
#90313c1232 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

A.R. MISHKIN OWNS 2,000,000 SHARES (21.10%) OF STRATFORD AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: STRC) OF PHOENIX, ARIZONA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

A.R. Mishkin was issued 300,000 shares on Oct. 1, 1990, purchased 600,000 shares on Oct. 29, 1990 for $45,000 and exchanged 200,000 unrestricted common shares for 250,000 restricted common shares. If the preferred stock of A.R. Mishkin were converted into common shares, the common stake would fall somewhere between 9.3 percent and 10.51 percent depending on the total number of outstanding preferred shares converted into common.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 807
#90313c1233 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY A. FRIED & CO OWNS 471,881 SHARES (15.40%) OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR) OF OAK BROOK, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Albert Fried was granted an option under the company's 1988 employees stock benefit plan to buy 180,000 shares. Currently, 120,000 of those options are exercisable.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 1, 1990 and Oct. 30, Albert Fried & Co. bought 20,100 shares at $3.00 to $3.63 each.

PURPOSE:

Granting of option, purchase of stock.

-30- 674

#90313c1235 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 12) COMTEX - Santa Barbara, Calif.-based Mentor Corp. (TICKER: MNTR) has acquired the urologic-ultrasound and opthalmic product lines and related assets, of Teknar Inc. of St. Louis, for $10 million, plus contingent payments based on future sales.

The assets include accounts receivable, inventories, property and equipment, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 9, 1990.

-30- 640

#90313c1236 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 12) COMTEX - Kansas City-based Saztec International Inc. (TICKER: SAZZ) has acquired Advanced Automation Associates Inc., a Boston data-entry firm, for $600,000 and 540,000 unregistered Saztec common shares.

Saztec bought the AAA stock from five individuals, including Albert Winitzer, John Deeran, Thomas Kilpatrick, Philip Rowley and Wyman Tyler, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 9, 1990.

-30- 659

#90313c1237 11/09/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

TCM ACQUISITION CORP OWNS 3,916,860 SHARES (70.40%) OF CASUAL MALE CORP (TICKER: CMLE) OF SHREWSBURY, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the proxy and agreement with respect to the acquisition of assets

of The Casual Male Corp. by TCM Acquisition Corp., TCM Acquisition was granted a proxy to vote the shares of Casual Male common stock held by the significant stockholders with respect to the approval of any proposed plan of reorganization for Casual Male and its subsidiaries under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. The proxy was granted as partial consideration for TCM Acquisition's agreement to proceed with the development and negotiation of the proposed plan of reorganization and negotiation of related agreements, including an agreement by and among TCM Acquisition and the debtors relating to the acquisition of all of the debtors' assets. On Nov. 1, 1990, the parties to the acquisition agreement amended this agreement to provide that TCM Acquisition would acquire, in addition to all of the assets of the debtors, all of the outstanding stock of Casual Male. On Nov. 1, 1990, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Massachusetts Western Division issued an order authorizing the debtors to enter into and perform their obligations under the acquisition agreement, as amended.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition agreement amendment.

-30- 1585
#90313c1238 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 663,067 SHARES (12.38%) OF MILTON ROY CO. (TICKER: MRC) OF PETERSBURG, FLORIDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 25 through Nov. 7, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. sold 55,300 shares at a price of $26.63 to $27.38 per share.

-30- 484
#90313c1239 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

J. CARWAY OWNS 774,345 SHARES (63.10%) OF VERIT INDUSTRIES (TICKER: VER) OF PHOENIX, ARIZONA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 30, 1990, an amendment to the Verit Industries Inc.'s articles of

incorporation to provide for an increased number of authorized shares was approved. Mr. Carway is granted voting powers over CUA's preferred shares and the shares of the Verit Industries Inc.'s common stock to be realized by CUA upon conversion of its preferred stock pursuant to a shareholder agreement dated July 25, 1990, by and between CUA and Mr. Carway. The agreement also provides that either party may not sell its shares in the Verit Industries Inc. without first offering such shares to the other party; and, either party may not sell, for a five-year period, more than 10 percent of its shares in the Verit Industries Inc. during a twelve-month period without the consent of the other party.

PURPOSE:

Approval to increase the number of authorized shares.

-30- 1172
#90313c1240 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

EMERALD HOMES LP OWNS 5,225,000 SHARES (87.30%) OF VERIT INDUSTRIES (TICKER: VER) OF PHOENIX, ARIZONA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Upon conversion of its series B shares, Emerald Homes will have sole voting and dispositive power over the 5,225,000 common shares to be received by it. If all convertible preferred shares outstanding are converted, then Emerald Homes LP will hold only 39.8 percent.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 632
#90313c1241 11/09/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 2,308,467 SHARES (14.08%) OF NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP INC (TICKER: NMG) OF CHESTNUT HILL, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 5 through Nov. 7, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 196,000 shares at a price of $12.39 to $13.50 per share.

-30- 519

#90313d2460 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (NOV. 9) - Qantas Airways, Australia's government-owned international airline, said Friday it will cut its workforce by 500 and sell five aircraft earlier than expected to cut costs from the Gulf crisis.

Qantas chief executive John Ward said 500 of the airline's workforce of 17,000 would be laid off by February.

Five Boeing 747s would be sold earlier than planned and flying hours cut back to offset extra fuel costs of 318 million Australian dollars (247 million U.S.).

The measures were "essential if we are to survive," he said.

Qantas, 49 per cent of which is to be sold, has already axed 60 management jobs and 21 staff in Europe. Staff recruiting has also been frozen and services withdrawn from Amsterdam, Athens, Bombay and Bahrain.

The airline is restructuring to ensure it can continue to compete on international routes and take full advantage of tourism opportunities in the Asia-Pacific region, Mr. Ward said.

He warned that more job losses were "inevitable, although the number depended on the state of the world economies and the impact on travel demand."

"We're in a critical period. Small downturns in traffic and small increases in costs play havoc with profitability," he said.

-30- 1419

#90313d2490 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 9) - Eight miners died and 10 were missing after a gas explosion in a southern Chinese coal mine, a local report said.

The methane blast occurred Wednesday in a dilapidated private mine in Furen, Guangdong province, the Guangzhou Evening News reported.

Eight miners were found dead and rescue workers were not hopeful of finding the 10 who were missing, the newspaper said.

The authorities launched an investigation Thursday into safety infractions at the mine. Its owner had been warned in June after a first explosion killed

three miners, the newspaper said.

-30- 770

#90313d2500 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 9) - Sales of new cars in October declined by 1.3 percent to 17,640 units, compared to September's sales figure of 17,872, the National Association of Automobile Manufacturers (NAAMSA) said.

Compared to the corresponding month in 1989, October's sales show a modest decline of 2.6 per cent or 482 units.

In a statement, NAAMSA said sales had held up well in spite of the prevailing cost of finance and the further deterioration in business confidence.

However the association predicted that sales would continue to decline until next July.

-30- 759

#90313d2620 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 9) - Taisei Corp. has joined competition with other major Japanese construction firms to build a super skyscraper, unveiling plans for a futuristic 800-storey, 4,000-meter (13,200-foot) structure, 224 meters (730 feet) taller than Japan's highest Mountain Fuji.

The plans made public Thursday called for the construction of a floating foundation with a diameter of six kilometers (3.75 miles) covering 3,000 hectares (7,500 acres) on either sea or lake.

Taisei's main rivals, Takenaka Corp. and Obayash Corp., have already announced that they can build 196 storey 1,000 meter (3,300-foot) and 500-storey 2,000-meter (6,600 feet) skyscrapers, respectively.

The tallest building in the world at present is the Sears Tower in Chicago, Illinois, which measures 440 metres (1,454 feet) and 110 stories.

Tisei's "X-SEED 4000" is a pyramidal structure in which from 500,000 to 700,000 people would be able to live with a floor space of between 5,000 and 7,000 hectares (12,500 and 17,500 acres), according to the company.

If built, it would take 30 years to complete and cost about 150 trillion yen (1.15 trillion dollars), the company estimated.

Living quarters will be below the 2,000-meter (6,600 feet) level. Above that would be facilities including a nature and space observation center, an energy-generation plant and a "sky resort" area, according to the company concept.

The floating foundation is being considered on Tokyo Bay or on Lake Kagumigaura, northeast of Tokyo, Taisei officials said.

-30- 1716

#90313d2810 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND (NOV. 9) - Construction work on one of the South Pacific's biggest planned hotels, the Sheraton in Rarotonga, Cook Islands, has stopped after its Italian contractor hit financial woes, the Cook Islands News reported Friday.

The 200-room four star hotel was being built for ECIL, a wholly owned subsidary of the Cook Island's government using a 50 million German marks loan.

An Italian company, Sicel Construction, which is in "controlled administration" in its homeland, had begun construction in May on the 38 hectare (93 acre) site.

The newspaper said ECIL had served a default notice on Sicel which expires Saturday (Friday Cooks time).

It said Sicel had drawn down 30 million marks of the 50 million marks loan via an Italian bank.

Currently the construction site consists of a 50,000 cubic metre (1,750,000 cubic feet) hole filled with rocks for a foundation base. There are also cranes and concrete mixers, but Sicel last week fired 20 Cook Island labourers working there and sent home several Italian supervisors.

The Cook Islands News said it was not clear where all the money had been spent or how much would be lost on the project.

ECIL manager and pro-government member of parliament Vincent Ingram was not available Friday to say what will happen next.

The office of Prime Minister Geoffrey Henry was referring inquiries to Mr. Ingram.

Rarotonga, a 67 square kilometre (26 square miles) island, is 3,000 kilometres (1,860 miles) northeast of here.

-30- 1723

#90313d2840 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (NOV. 9) - Singapore might record eight percent economic growth this year, despite higher oil prices and the uncertainties caused by the Gulf crisis, Trade and Industry Minister Lee Hsien Loong has said.

Brigadier-General Lee, Premier Lee Kuan Yew's elder son, said that up till August 2, when Iraq invaded Kuwait, the economy was growing so strongly that the Ministry's worry was over-heating rather than recession.

The economic growth for the first quarter was 10 percent but slowed to 6.8 percent for the second.

Growth has moderated since then, the minister noted.

Brig.-Gen. Lee, who was speaking at the Singapore Contractors' Association annual dinner here Thursday, said that the overall results showed that the Gulf crisis had not hit the republic too hard.

But he cautioned that this good result "may not reflect the trend of the next few months".

Since the Gulf conflict broke out several economists had revised downwards their growth projections for the republic's economy.

The United States Embassy, which predicted 8.5 to nine percent annual growth for the economy, later revised it to "eight percent or thereabouts".

The minister noted two possible developments that could affect the city state seriously -- a possible war in the Gulf and an imminent recession in the United States, Singapore's largest export market.

Fortunately, the impact will be cushioned by growing ties with the European Economic Community and Japanese economies, and also with the region, especially with Malaysia and Indonesia, he said.

"We will have to assess our own economy carefully over the next few months to see how it responds to these external events," Brig.Gen. Lee sid.

He said he expected growth to slow down over the next few months but not to zero as in the last recession.

During the 1985 recession the republic's economy shrank for the first time in two decades, to minus 1.7 percent growth.

Brig. Gen. Lee said the next one or two years will not be as rosy as the last few and probably bonuses will be "lower than we have become accustomed to."

"We are still competitive and well placed to come out of any downturn trimmer and stronger," he added.

-30- 2420

#90313d2950 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 9) - The Japanese government said Friday it had approved fare hikes by the country's airlines of five to seven percent for international flights departing from or arriving in Japan.

Fares of flights departing Japan will be raised five percent, while those arriving in Japan will be increased seven percent, both effective December 1, the Transport Ministry said.

Other major industrialized nations have already raised international flight fares by five to eight percent from last month to reflect the rise in fuel prices following the Iraqi invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

With the introduction of the new air fares, a round trip between Tokyo and Hong Kong will be 156,600 yen (1,200 dollars) on business class, against 627,900 yen (4,830 dollars) for Tokyo-London and 418,400 yen (3,220 dollars) for Tokyo-New York.

-30- 1021

#90313d3460 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 9) - The general outlines of regulations for a future EEC central bank have been accepted by central banks and governments in the 12 EEC countries, German central Bundesbank president Karl Otto Poehl said here late on Thursday.

The committee of central bank governors would soon get to work on on a statute for the bank, Mr. Poehl said at a dinner organised by American Express.

The priority for such a bank in the European Economic Community was to achieve price stability, to win total independence from political authorities, and complete responsibility for EEC monetary policy.

But he again warned against unduly fast moves towards monetary integration because it would be undermined by big differences between the economies of EEC countries.

The future EEC currency would be different from the existing Ecu which was composed of a basket of currencies, since it would have to be a real currency, he said.

-30- 1129

#90313d3470 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROTTERDAM, NETHERLANDS (NOV. 9) - The Unilever food and chemicals multinational on Friday reported that in the third quarter its net profits were seven percent higher than in the same period a year earlier at 967 million guilder from 903 million guilder.

In dollars, net profits rose by 29 percent to 540 million dollars from 419 million dollars.

Operating profits rose by 12 percent to 1.97 billion guilder on sales of 20 billion guilder, representing an increase of nine percent.

During the first nine months of the year Unilever made a net profit of 2.67 billion guilder, up five percent on the same period of 1989.

Operating profits rose by 14 percent to 5.4 billion guilder on sales up 12 percent at 57.87 billion guilder.

-30- 915

#90313d3510 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (NOV. 9) - Netherland's VRG-Groep N.V. will sell Tomasetti Paper to Australia's diversified resources and paper group North Broken Hill Peko (NBH) for an undisclosed price, the Australian company said Friday.

Bill Paisley, NBH's forestry paper director, said: "Tomasetti has a high reputation within the Australian paper industry and with sales turnover of more than 100 million dollars (78 million U.S.) a year is renowned throughout the printing industry."

-30- 658

#90313d3600 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Johannesburg (NOV. 9) - Sixteen people were killed Thursday when supporters of the African National Congress (Anc) and the Zulu party Inkatha clashed at the black township of Bruntville, police said here Friday.

A further five black South Africans were injured and a hostel for workers was partly burned down during the violence at the township on the Mooi River, 500 kilometres south of here.

Many women and children had earlier fled the township in fear of clashes following the murder of a black railway worker at Bruntville.

Bruntville lies in the eastern province of Natal where the power struggle between the Anc and Inkatha had claimed at least 4,000 lives in the past four years.

Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi is demanding the organisation be given the same status as the Anc at negotiations with Pretoria on dismantling the country's apartheid racial segregation system.

A total of 800 people died last August and September alone when the conflict

sparked a bloodbath in the townships around Johannesburg.

Meanwhile, Anc deputy president Nelson Mandela returned Friday form his fifth world trip since his release from prison, where he was serving a life sentence last February.

He said governments in India, Indonesia, Malaysia and Australia had promised the Anc donations amounting to almost 40 million dollars.

-30- 1538

#90313d3650 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GATUNA, Rwanda (NOV. 9) - Rwandan rebels pillaged the strategic Gatuna post on the border with Uganda in what seemed to be a new strategy of sabotage raids before it was recaptured by Rwandan government troops.

Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) guerrillas, who held the checkpoint between Saturday and Tuesday, laid waste to the customs offices and set fire to eight trucks that had arrived with food from Uganda and Kenya.

Fresh food has been short in the curfew-bound Rwandan capital Kigali, where this correspondent saw troops out in strength Thursday, almost six weeks after the rebel invasion in the northeast of the country.

The closing of the Rwandan-Ugandan border has caused long queues of trucks to build up on the Ugandan side.

Rebels pried open the Gatuna customs safe, smashed furniture and windows and looted Ugandan trucks. The parking lot was littered with Chinese-made 60mm shells, AK-47 cartridges and packaging for radios stolen from the trucks.

The local Rwandan army commander, Major Emmanuel Kanyandekwe, told Agence France-Presse on Friday that up to 400 rebels attacked the Gatuna post, which was manned by reservists.

The guerrillas launched their offensive from inside Rwanda after walking the border for several kilometres (miles), instead of directly taking the asphalt road from Uganda.

Maj. Kanyandekwe was unable to give full casualty figures from Saturday's attack, but he said that the bodies of two civilians had been found near Gatuna.

Sugar cane fields were set on fire further south on the road to Kigali during patrols by government troops, but no damage was reported from tea plantations that stretch to the Ugandan border.

-30- 1860
#90313d3790 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Teheran (NOV. 9) - Iranian President Akhbar Hashemi Rafsanjani has voiced ''grave concern'' over the possible outbreak of war in the Gulf region, the official Irna news agency reported here Friday.

Speaking to a crowd of Moslem worshipers at Friday prayers here, Rafsanjani spoke of the ''great destruction in the region'' which such a war would cause.

''Despite the statements made regarding a peaceful solution to the issue we have so far seen no sign to this effect,'' said the president.

Iraq would have to be content with the territory it had before invading Kuwait last August 2, said Rafsanjani, adding: ''in our opinion there exists no other solution than this ....''

The Iranian President also attacked the multinational force stationed in Saudi Arabia, saying: ''The presence of foreign forces in the region is apparently aimed at checking an Iraqi advance but it is not so. If their real intention is to counter opression they should have come to halt Israel's crimes in the first place.''

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#90313d3800 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (NOV. 9) - Fighting will probably break out in the Gulf given Iraq's refusal to retreat from Kuwait, a senior U.S. State Department official said here Friday.

He said one result of U.S. Secretary of State James Baker's current international tour to get backing for possible U.S. military intervention against Iraq was that there was "absolutely no doubt ... that Saudi forces will be committed," in case of battle against Iraqi troops.

"Nor is there any doubt in my mind with respect to the other forces...with the possible exception of the Syrians and the French," he said.

"I really don't know what those forces would do. I rather suspect that the Syrians might be leading the charge but I don't know."

The official who spoke on condition of anonymity at the end of a visit to Moscow by Mr. Baker said he did not "know where the French would be. We'll know more tomorrow."

Mr. Baker is to meet President Francois Mitterrand and French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas in France on Saturday.

Syria, which has sent thousands of soldiers to Saudi Arabia is publicly

opposed to the destruction of Iraqi military power. Syrian President Hafez al Assad, however, is known to intensely dislike his Iraqi counterpart Saddam Hussein.

France sent 4,000 men to Saudi Arabia after Iraqi troops in Kuwait forced their way into the French embassy.

The U.S. official was not optimistic that the Gulf crisis could Now be resolved peacefully. "I don't think the Soviets are any more optimistic than we are about the willingness of Saddam Hussein to leave Kuwait," he said.

"We know he's unpredicatble. Everybody says he has the capability to do a 180 (degree turn) on short notice if he comes to realise that it's in his interest to do so."

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#90313d4040 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 9) - Five of Japan's six biggest steelmakers, including world leader Nippon Steel Corp., announced Friday reduced earnings for the six months to September due to higher raw material costs and lower export prices.

Four of the companies - Nippon Steel, NKK Corp., Kawasaki Steel Steel Corp. and Nisshin Steel Co. Ltd. - suffered sharp declines in net profit ranging from 16 percent to 38 percent from a year earlier.

But Kobe Steel Ltd. incurred a modest fall of less than one per cent while Sumitomo Metal Industries Ltd. posted a 28 percent increase.

Nippon Steel, the world's biggest steelmaker accounting for about a third of Japanese output, said its net profit plunged 30.4 percent from a year earlier to 40.3 billion yen (292 million dollars). Sales were unchanged at 1,238 billion yen (nine billion dollars), the company said.

Sales of steel products, pig iron and chemical products rose but sales by the company's engineering division fell. Exports also declined, by 18.5 per- cent to 257 billion yen (two billion dollars).

Crude steel output rose from 14.20 million tons to 14.30 million tons while pig iron production climbed from 14.66 million tons to 14.70 million. Output of steel products advanced from 13.40 million tons to 13.58 million.

NKK, the country's second-biggest steelmaker and one of the world's top five, said its net profit dived 38.3 percent to 14.7 billion yen (107 million dollars). Sales edged up 2.3 percent to 586 billion yen (4.2 billion dollars).

The modest increase in turnover reflected a jump in sales of industrial plants which helped to offset lower sales of steel products and steel structures

including ocean-related equipment. Exports also fell, by 4.9 per- cent to 113 billion yen (819 million dollars).

The company's output of crude steel fell from 6.20 million tonnes to 6.01 millon tonnes while pig iron production slumped from 6.72 million tons to 6.22 million. Output of steel products was unchanged at 6.01 million tons.

But Sumitomo Metal, ranking equal third with Kawasaki, said its net profit rose 28.4 percent to 31.7 billion yen (230 million dollars). Sales also rose - by 1.6 percent to 553 billion yen (four billion dollars).

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#90313d4060 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

METZINGEN, GERMANY (NOV. 9) - The Hugo Boss men's clothing group has not been informed of any sale of its shares by its majority shareholder, the Japanese company Akira Akagi, Boss founder Jochen Holy said Friday.

The Japanese firm holds 62.88 percent of the equity.

He said the "rumour was launched by the French publication Journal du Textile at the end of October."

Mr. Holy said that he had tried unsuccessfully to contact Mr. Akira who was somewhere in Europe. But the supervisory board knew nothing of such a move, he said.

Hugo Boss, a leading German clothing firm with a high growth rate, came under Japanese control at the end of 1989.

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#90313d4080 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 9) - South African Energy Affairs Minister Dawie de Villiers on Friday announced a 15 cents (6 U.S. cents) a liter cut in the price of petrol effective from Monday -- just three weeks after the fuel price rocketed by 32 cents (12.5 U.S. cents) a liter.

In a statement, Mr. De Villiers said that lower crude oil prices had resulted in an over-recovery on petrol and diesel and the government had decided to pass on the lower fuel costs to consumers.

He warned, however, that the price decreases could be temporary as it was impossible to forecast the future price of crude oil due to uncertainty in the Gulf.

With the cuts, petrol will now cost on average 1.45 rands (56 U.S. cents) a liter at the pumps.

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#90313d4270 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 9) - The price of gold jumped here on Friday to 393.10 dollars an ounce from 386.91 dollars on Thursday.

One trader said that investors were covering themselves ahead of the week end, and that the despatch of additional U.S. troops to the Gulf had worried the market.

Trading volume rose sharply to total 11.607 million francs compared with 4.48 million francs on Thursday.

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#90313d4340 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (NOV. 9) - Iraq on Friday rejected suspicions raised at the United Nations that the large quantities of medicine recently sent to Baghdad could be used to make biological or chemical weapons.

Such reports aim to "justify the adoption of new restraints on the export of medicine to Iraq, an issue on which certain intermediaries are showing good will at present", an Iraqi foreign ministry spokesman said.

The spokesman, quoted by the Iraqi News Agency monitored here, dismissed the statement issued Wednesday in New York by U.N. official Marjatta Rasi as "tendentious and mistaken."

Iraq was facing difficulties in importing medicine, he said, adding that some of the orders had been paid for before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

The United States called Thursday for a mechanism to monitor medical shipments to Iraq, following the statement by Mrs. Rasi, a U.N. official who heads a committee overseeing U.N.-imposed trade sanctions against Iraq.

She said Iraq had received "tonnes and tonnes of medicine", as much as it could use in 10 years. But the official did not refer to the possibility that Iraq could be storing medicine in case of war.

According to military experts, components in some of the drugs could be used for chemical and biological weapons, she said.

The U.N. embargo exempts medicine. France, Britain, Brazil, Germany and the United States are among countries that have been sending medicine, normally after an inspection of goods bound for Baghdad.

#90313d4370 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SOFIA (NOV. 9) - Bulgaria's government, headed by reformed communist Prime Minister Andrei Lukanov, is facing breakup after a decision by 16 lawmakers of the ruling party to form an independent parliament group, analysts said here Friday.

Mavericks from the Bulgarian Socialist Party (BSP) which had an absolute majority of 210 seats in the 400-member parliament said they were considering cooperating with the main opposition movement, Union of Democratic Forces (UDF).

Party leaders were to meet with President Zhelio Zhelev later Friday to try to defuse the crisis.

The UDF has said since the country's first free election last June that it would form a government if the party occupied the post of prime minister and the main portfolios.

The resignation of the 16 BSP deputies led a former BSP member to say, "The conservative mass within the organization is so strong and so determined to hold onto its privileges that it keeps back any progress. This party will only reform when it is forced into opposition."

But many Bulgarians have also soured on the Union of Democratic Forces, which is fraught with internal bickering.

Bulgarian trade unions and students have called for Mr. Lukanov's resignation and the adoption of a programme of drastic reforms for months to end the country's persistent economic and social crisis.

Former communist leader Todor Zhivkov meanwhile threatened to make compromising revelations about the country's current leaders.

"Time will come when we will be able to judge what Zhivkov and his supporters did, and those who succeeded them," Mr. Zhivkov said in an interview to the trade union paper Trud to be published Saturday, one year to the day after he was sacked.

Mr. Zhivkov, 79, said Bulgaria had no foreign debts before 1983-84 "when we were really in charge".

He has been under house arrest since his downfall last November after 36 years in power and is facing trial. Only he and four of his closet associates were expelled from the party.

"There is no law that could justify my condemnation", he said, adding that

plans for a "trial are a frame-up and a blow against my family and democracy".

No former communist official has to date been brought before the courts, and many, using former contacts and influence, have recently started up private companies, leading many Bulgarians to despair that anything like a new, just social order will rise from the ashes of communism.

In another development, BTA news agency said that Mr. Zhelev was considering cancelling a trip to Japan to attend the enthronement of Emperor Akihito next week.

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#90313d4390 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV. 9) - Two Thai soldiers were slightly wounded in a grenade attack at a camp controlled by Khmer Rouge guerrillas near Thailand's border with Cambodia, relief officials said here Friday.

The explosion occurred Thursday when the grenade was thrown at a dormitory of the paramilitary Displaced Persons Protection Unit (DPPU) on the perimeter of the O'Trao settlement, said the officials, who requested anonymity.

The camp at O'Trao, some 10 kilometers (six miles) from the border of northern Cambodia, serves as a staging ground for infiltrations by Khmer Rouge units under the command of Ta Mok, considered among the most radical of the faction's military leaders.

The Khmer Rouge, an extreme Marxist group ousted from power in Cambodia when Vietnam invaded the country 12 years ago, is the military backbone of a guerrilla coalition fighting Phnom Penh's Hanoi-installed government. It receives massive military assistance from China.

The faction controls three United Nations-assisted camps along the Thai border: O'Trao, with a population of 14,000 to the northeast; Site 8, which houses 36,000 people in the central part of the border area; and Site K, which houses 9,000 to the southwest.

There has been chronic tension at O'Trao in the last few months, according to sources familiar with Cambodian refugee problems.

Several grenade attacks occurred in August, apparently without causing any casualties, they said.

The August explosions may have resulted from Khmer Rouge irritation following a headcount by the United Nations Border Relief Operations that resulted in substantially reduced U.N. food rations at the camp, the sources said.

The camp population was found to be 12,000, against nearly 23,000 in January,

after Khmer Rouge commanders brought inmates back to Cambodia either to populate their own "liberated zones" or to help build roads, the sources said.

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#90313d4470 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 9) - The budget for the world service of the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) is to be increased during the next three years so that its programmes and sound quality, particularly for eastern Europe, can be increased.

The world service is financed by the government, and the budget will be increased by 12 percent per year to 159.5 million pounds (311 million dollars) 166.3 million pounds (324 million dollars) and 175.8 million pounds (342 million dollars) up to 1993-94.

The world service, which was set up 50 years ago, is broadcast in 38 languages and to 90 countries. Its audience has been estimated to total at least 120 million people.

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#90313d4560 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 9) - Trade unionist Billy Nair, wanted by police over the alleged "Operation Vula" insurrectionary plot, made a surprise appearance at a press conference here Friday, correspondents said.

Denying media reports that he had fled the country or evaded arrest, Mr. Nair said he had been recuperating from two operations, "one to my leg, the other to my heart".

The press conference was addressed by senior South African Communist Party (SACP) politburo member Mac Maharaj and seven colleagues who were Thursday released on total bail of 300,000 rands (117,000 dollars) by a magistrate in this eastern port city.

Police allege that they infiltrated arms and cadres into the country in order to train a "revolutionary army" that would seize power should talks between the Pretoria government and its black opponents break down.

Police also allege that SACP leader Joe Slovo had conspired in the plot, known as "Operation Vula", though he has not been charged.

Mr. Nair was arrested in July along with the other eight accused, all of them members of Nelson Mandela's African National Congress (ANC), but was transferred to hospital after falling ill.

After undergoing a heart bypass operation in October, he "disappeared" and

failed to show when the trial began last week.

But at Friday's press conference, Mr. Nair said he had every intention of joining his eight co-accused when and if the trial resumed.

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#90313d4590 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 9) - Curfews were imposed Friday in several cities and refugee camps in the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip and West Bank.

Police in Jerusalem only allowed elderly Moslems to attend traditional Friday prayers on the Temple Mount, the scene of a bloody clash between security forces and Arabs a month ago.

Although nearly 4,000 Moslems visited the mosques there, no incidents were reported.

According to radio reports, Israeli officials had information that activists in the Palestinian uprising (intifada) planned to provoke violence in Jerusalem.

A general strike called Friday by Palestinian activists to mark the 36th month of the intifada was largely followed.

On Thursday evening, the Israeli army had prohibited Arabs from the occupied territories from entering Israel and Jerusalem to forestall violence in the tension-charged atmosphere following the murder of right-wing Rabbi Meir Kahane in New York City on Monday.

Israeli officials arrested three members of Kahane's extremist Kach Party on Friday in connection with a the murder of a 65-year-old man and a 60-year-old woman in the Arab village of Luban Sharkia in the West Bank.

On Tuesday morning, an unknown gunman shot the two to death from a passing automobile. Police summoned several dozen Kach supporters for interrogation and confiscated weapons belonging to some.

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#90313d4620 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 9) - A 65-year-old British woman was killed and 14 other British pilgrims injured in a bus accident Friday on the Israeli-occupied West Bank, police said.

The bus was heading for Massada on the Dead Sea when it overturned near Maale Adoumim, a Jewish settlement around 10 kilometres (six miles) east of Jerusalem.

Police said the accident was caused by the first heavy rain this season.

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#90313d4630 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (NOV. 9) - Italy had a trade deficit of 1.87 trillion lire (1.63 billion dollars) in September, an improvement over the shortfall of 2.02 trillion lire (1.75 billion dollars) recorded in September last year, the National Statistics Institute reported on Friday.

The Institute added that the trade deficit for the first nine months of the year totals 10.97 trillion lire (9.54 billion dollars), against 15.12 trillion lire (13.15 billion dollars) for the same period last year.

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#90313d4640 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 9) - Iraq Friday assailed a U.S.-Saudi agreement on control and command of U.S. forces stationed in Saudi Arabia to deter a possible Iraqi attack.

Taha Yassin Ramadan, Iraq's first deputy premier, said the agreement reached between U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Saudi Arabia's King Fahd in the Red Sea port of Jeddah on Monday was a ''conspiracy'' against the Arabs and Moslems.

The accord envisages a joint command for the more than 200,000 U.S. and nearly 100,000 Saudi troops in Saudi Arabia in the event of an attack by Iraq.

But U.S. commanders would be free to direct their own forces without Saudi interference in the event of an offensive against Iraqi troops in Kuwait, or against Iraq, that is launched from Saudi territory.

Ramadan charged that the ''Fahd-Baker agreement'' had placed Islam's holiest shrine in Mecca under the control of Americans and their allies.

Ramadan, a member of the Iraqi Revolutionary Command Council, the country's highest policy-making authority, called on Arabs and Moslems to wage a ''Jihad'' (holy war) to defend their dignity and holy shrines.

''The Fahd-Baker agreement has completely unveiled the conspiracy against the Arabs and Moslems which the servant of the two holy shrines (King Fahd) and his masters and allies has tried to hide,'' Ramadan said in a statement to the official Iraqi News Agency (Ina). His remarks were also carried by Baghdad Radio.

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#90313d4730 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (NOV. 9) - Pakistan and India exchanged calls Friday for efforts to improve their often stormy relations and pledged their determination to maintain bilateral peace.

Pakistan's new ambassador to India, Abdul Sattar, said Islamabad wanted to join New Delhi in "earnest endeavours for the repair and reinforcement of the foundations of good neighbourly relations."

"This aim is by no means beyond reach," he said after presenting his credentials to Indian President Ramaswamy Venkataraman at a ceremony in the presidential palace.

"There are no differences that cannot be bridged through purposeful dialogue, no disputes that cannot be resolved by resort to peaceful means," the 59-year-old veteran diplomat said.

"Pakistan and India are capable of chartering a course of policies and actions that can banish mistrust and fear and foster confidence and goodwill and ensure peace and harmony," he said.

Mr. Venkataraman responded saying India respected Pakistan's sovereignty and security and was committed to "cooperation and good-neighbourly relations" with Islamabad.

He urged Pakistan to "take the ongoing process of bilateral dialogue to reduce the present tensions to its logical conclusion."

The exchange of calls for better relations came three days after a new government under Prime Minister Mian Nawaz Sharif assumed office in Islamabad and a day before a new government under veteran politician Chandra Shekhar was to be installed in New Delhi.

Bilateral relations have hit an all-time low this year over a bloody Moslem separatist campaign in the Indian side of Kashmir, the two countries' chief bone of contention since independence and partition of the subcontinent in 1947.

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#90313d4840 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (NOV. 9) - South Korea has scrapped a plan to provide the Philippines with 200,000 tons of rice on a long-term loan basis after the United States objected to the idea, officials said Friday.

They said they planned the rice offer under the multinational aid plan for the Philippines, but the United States, which is a major rice exporter, opposed it

arguing that it could adversely affect the international rice market.

South Korea has a stockpile of some two million tons of surplus rice because of repeated bumper harvests.

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#90313d4850 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (NOV. 9) - French Prime Minister Michel Rocard arrived here Friday to a ceremonial welcome by his Singapore counterpart, Lee Kuan Yew, with whom he was to have discussions on a wide range of issues.

Mr. Rocard, here for a two-day official visit, was earlier received at Changi airport by Senior Minister of State for Education and Minister-in-Attendance, Tay Eng Soon.

They were greeted by Mr. Lee at the Istana presidential palace and inspected a guard of honour mounted by an elite commando unit of the army.

The French leader later called on Mr. Lee, at whose invitation he was here, for talks which sources said would include the Cambodia situation, the multilateral trade negotiations, the Gulf crisis and bilateral relations.

While Mr. Rocard is in Singapore, senior officials from 13 countries were scheduled to meet in Jakarta Friday on the Cambodia conflict pitting a Hanoi-backed government in Phnom Penh against a resistance coalition.

Another round of talks, broadened to include the rival Cambodian factions, is scheduled in Paris later this month as a prelude to a full-scale gathering at the end of the year or early in 1991.

On Saturday, Mr. Rocard is scheduled to address a luncheon organised by the French Business Association and the Singapore Chambers of Commerce and Industry and will attend a dinner hosted by Mr. Lee at the Istana.

Also on Saturday, he will visit Samaero Co., a Singapore-French plant that manufactures helicopter parts, and later call on President Wee Kim Wee.

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#90313d4860 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (NOV. 9) - Parliament Friday approved a bill which aims to prevent inter-religious conflict and keep politics and religion separate.

Under the bill, religious leaders and members of religious groups whose words and actions threaten harmony can be banned from preaching or editing religious publications.

Those who disregard the order can be fined up to 5,000 U.S. dollars or jailed for up to two years, or both.

Home Affairs Minister Shanmugam Jayakumar told parliament he hoped there would be no need to invoke the provisions of the bill.

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#90313d4890 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (NOV. 9) - Yugoslavian archaeologists found 99 gold coins dating back to the fourth century last week, Belgrade television reported Friday.

The coins, all minted in Constantinople, were probably buried with a family member of Roman Emperor Galerius (who died in 311). He had a house at Gamizigrad (Romuliana) some 250 kilometres (155 miles) south-east of here.

The coins bear the effigies of Roman emperors Valentinian I (364-375), Theodosis I (379-395) and Arcadius (395-408).

Archaeologist Dragljub Srejovic said the coins were probably buried by a senior imperial court official when the Visigoths attacked the Balkans and Italy.

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#90313d4910 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (NOV. 9) - The commander of Liberia's presidential guard, General David Nimley, this week fled Monrovia and has taken refuge in Nigeria, according to regional diplomatic sources.

But a Nigerian government source on Friday refused to comment on the reports. "That rumour has been running for three days, nothing to say about it," the source said.

Diplomatic sources have cited reports that Gen. Nimley, who became one of Liberia's self-appointed heads of state after president Samuel Doe was killed by a rebel faction in September, escaped Monday to Freetown, Sierra Leone.

He was last seen in Freetown aboard a Nigerian military helicopter, the reports said. A Nigerian contingent forms a large part of a West African peacekeeping force sent to Liberia in August.

"We have helicos in support of our services, going to Freetown with light planes, but not taking part in the military operations," was all the government source would say here Friday.

The chief of staff of the intervention force this week said that an interim government set up under the auspices of the Economic Community of West African

States (ECOWAS) would be installed in Liberia next week.

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#90313d4960 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOI, Nov 9 (AFP) - Vietnam's economy will face tremendous difficulties in 1991, due mainly to the ending of Soviet economic facilities, Communist Party Secretary General Nguyen Van Linh warns.

Next year "will be the year when our economy faces tremendous trials. From next year imports of commodities, raw materials and fuel must be paid in hard currency according to international prices," the Nhan Dan newspaper Friday reported Mr. Linh as saying during a tour of the southern part of the country.

Mr. Linh has been the main advocate of moves to liberalise Vietnam's economy in recent years.

The Soviet Union, Vietnam's main economic partner since the late 1960s, recently announced that trade between member countries of COMECON would be conducted from next year on the basis of international prices with settlement in convertible currency.

This, Mr. Linh said, would mean that Vietnam's industry, still very much geared towards COMECON, would face "many difficulties and trials," which he said were more important than ever to overcome.

Deputy Premier Tran Duc Luong recently visited Moscow seeking modifications to the new rules, apparently without result, according to Western diplomats.

"Our country currently still owes the Soviet Union 15 billion rubles (8.4 billion dollars at current market rates)," Mr. Linh said in a report Thursday by Vietnam radio.

Moscow provided Hanoi with considerable economic aid and based trade on a barter system favouring Vietnam.

Soviet officials said bilateral trade this year totalled some 2.5 billion rubles (1.4 billion dollars).

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#90313d5020 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 9) - The capital of the the Belgian Sabena airline is to be opened to the public but the Belgian state, its main shareholder, will retain a blocking minority of 25 percent, Communications Minister Jean-Luc Dehaene said here on Friday.

Foreign investors would be permitted to buy into the capital if no Belgian

group did so, he said.

The operation should be considered "with a majority of Belgian groups", the communications ministry said.

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#90313d5140 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA (NOV. 9) - The cost of living in Bulgaria rose by 4.1 percent in October compared with September, and was 30 percent higher than in May, official figures showed here Friday.

But output during the first 10 months of the year was 10.4 percent below the level in the same period of last year.

Output had ceased falling and was at the same level as in May which had been the best month of the year.

The report, by the central statistical bureau, said that output in November was expected to be similar to the level in October.

The amount of food supplied to the domestic market was at about the same level as last year.

Shortages had been caused by a general panic ahead of price increases and fears of not being able to find products, analysts said.

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#90313d5220 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 9) - Thousands of French high-school students, keeping up pressure on the government for better education, staged fresh demonstrations in the French provinces on Friday for the fifth straight day, witnesses said.

A total 5,000 pupils marched through central Clermont-Ferrand, while demonstrations also took place in towns of eastern France such as Vesoul and Gray.

About 200 pupils also demanded to be "full partners in the education process" in a protest in Ajaccio, the main southern town on the French Mediterranean island of Corsica.

The students have warned that they plan to stage a mass rally in Paris next Monday, one week after more than 100,000 marched throughout France to press their demands.

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#90313d5230 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MUNICH, GERMANY (NOV. 9) - A gigantic white spot can currently be seen in the atmosphere of the planet Saturn, the European Southern Observatory (Eso) said Friday in Munich.

The Eso said the spot, probably a storm, was spotted by its telescope at La Silla, Chile. Initially confined to the northern hemisphere of the planet, the spot now covers the equatorial regions.

Astronomers observed similar white spots in 1876, 1903, 1933 and 1966. The present spot is said to be the largest of all, however.

Saturn is the sixth planet from the Sun and the outermost planet known before the invention of the telescope.

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#90313d5360 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Damascus (NOV. 9) - Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel-Meguid arrived in Damascus Friday for a meeting with his counterparts from Syria and Saudi Arabia on the Gulf crisis.

In an arrival statement, Abdel-Meguid said the three countries would be discussing the ''current situation in the Gulf and other affairs of common interest''.

''This meeting will serve the interest of the three Arab countries and the Arab nation'', Abdel-Meguid said after his welcome by Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa.

Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal was due to arrive later Friday for the talks, which wee scheduled to begin Friday evening.

Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria are among the countries that have condemned Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait. Egypt and Syria have sent troops to Saudi Arabia to help deter a further Iraqi attack.

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#90313d5370 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (NOV. 9) - Berlin press group Axel Springer announced Friday that Guenther Wille will become group chairman next July.

He will succeed current chairman Peter Tamm, who has headed the group since the end of the 1960s.

The anouncement follows a restructuring of various group activities announced last month.

The publishing group, which includes popular daily Bild (circulation of six million) and conservative daily Die Welt, is now extending its empire into the former East Germany.

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#90313d5400 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STUTTGART, GERMANY (NOV. 9) - Swiss translator Ursula Rothen and German author and publisher Martin Kaempchen jointly received the Rabindranath Tagore Prize for Literature here Friday.

The prize, amounting to 10,000 Deutschmarks (6,750 dollars), was awarded by the Indo-German Society for their ''contributions to India''.

Rothen has made a name for herself as a translator of Urdu literature. Kaempchen is regarded as an authority on Bengali literature and its best-known figure, Rabindranath Tagore.

Tagore, an Indian poet, philosopher and teacher, won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1913. He died in 1941.

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#90313d5520 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MAPUTO (NOV. 9) - Rebels of the Mozambique National Resistance (RENAMO) have killed 23 people in a raid against a village in northern Mozambique, according to a report Friday in the daily Diario de Mocambique.

The massacre took place on October 31 in the communal village of Imboze, in the northern province of Nampula. Communications in much of rural Mozambique are so poor that it took more than a week for news of the killings reached Maputo.

The paper said that the rebels wounded a further ten people, burnt down houses in the village, and stole the villagers' livestock. There were no further details immediately available.

Communal villages have frequently been a target of RENAMO, which has declared itself opposed to the government's village policies. The government claims that it is much more efficient to provide education and health services, as well as agricultural extension and marketing services, to villages rather than to scattered homesteads.

Despite their name, there is very little collective about communal villages, and most peasants, even if they are members of agricultural cooperatives, continue to farm their own family plots as well.

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#90313d5570 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OTTAWA (NOV. 9) - Canada's unemployment rate climbed to 8.8 percent in October, up 0.4 percent from September's figure, Statistics Canada announced Friday.

It is the highest unemployment rate registered in Canada since July 1987 and the fifth monthly increase in the last six months, the federal government's statistical bureau said.

Last April, the jobless rate stood at 7.2 percent.

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#90313d5770 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KINSHASA (NOV. 9) - Eleven million people in Zaire are exposed to the threat of sleeping sickness, which is endemic in almost the entire country, medical officials said Friday.

Some 30,000 people have been registered as infected with the disease over the past three years.

Seventy-one cases of the malady -- scientific name trypanosomiasis -- were recently detected in the suburbs north of Kinshasa, and only the mountainous regions of the country are free from the tsetse fly which carries the disease, according to the central trypanosomiasis office here.

While only 5,000 cases have been recorded in Zaire since the beginning of 1990 the office indicated that the figures did not reflect the true situation.

The bureau said that detection activities were suspended following the cutoff of 35 million Belgian francs (1.1 million dollars) in aid because of a dispute between Belgium and Zaire over the bloody repression by Zairean security forces of student demonstrations at the University of Lubumbashi in May.

Following the crackdown, Brussels demanded that an international commission be appointed to conduct an investigation, a proposal which was refused by Kinshasa.

Belgium then froze state loans to its former colony, leading Zaire to expel all Belgian volunteer workers from its territory.

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#90313d5790 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 9) - Japanese Minister of International Trade and Industry (MITI) Kabun Muto said Friday the government may end its voluntary limits on car

exports to the United States.

Asked about Japan's future attitude to the voluntary ceiling on car exports to the United States, Mr. Muto said if the General Agreement on Tarrifs and Trade condemns these kinds of arrangements, "We may have to reconsider the system."

"Nothing is decided yet for next year," Mr. Muto added.

Since 1981, Japan has limited car exports to the United States to 2.3 million vehicles annually to allow American car-makers to regain competitiveness. The agreement expires in March.

The European Economic Community (EEC) is seeking a similar agreement with Tokyo to limit Japanese exports to Europe after creation of a single European market with the 1993 abolition of internal trade barriers.

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#90313d5800 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 9) - Rates firmed on most tanker routes this week, and trade was brisk out of the important Gulf States area despite a growing perception among market operators that war in the area is inevitable and imminent.

Shipbroker E.A. Gibson said in its weekly report here Friday that some 37 vessels are still looking for employment in the area, but that their prospects for obtaining lucrative cargoes are good.

Charterers were also active in the West African sector, although rates were only a little firmer.

Mediterranean loaders had a more difficult time than most, with insufficient business available to provoke a significant rates improvement.

Employment was also hard to come by for shipowners in ther Caribbean area. Rates for crude carriers making upcoast trips were improved but smaller product carriers were accepting lower rates. Business was also slow for North Sea loaders.

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#90313d5850 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (NOV. 9) - Profits earned by the German central Bundesbank could be reduced by four billion Deutschemarks (about 2.6 billion dollars) because of the fall in the value of the dollar, Bundesbank vice president Helmut Schlesigner said here late on Thursday.

If the dollar remained at its current level until the end of the year, the bank would have to make big provisions for losses.

Last year the bank made a profit of more than 10 billion marks (6.6 billion dollars), most of which was transferred to the finance ministry.

The German government is counting this year on recepits of seven billion marks (4.6 billion dollars) from the Bundesbank to help finance a huge 1991 budget deficit caused by unification of the two German states.

Mr. Schlesinger said that seven billion marks was too much in view of the exchange rate between the dollar and mark.

But he did not express concern at the fall of the dollar, noting that a strong mark reduced the risk of high inflation.

Neither did he express support for a meeting of the G7 grouping of leading industrialised countries to discuss the fall of the dollar as suggested by French Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy.

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#90313d5940 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 9) - Austrian Airlines (AUA) signed a contract with the European Airbus consortium on Friday to buy 26 A-320 and A-321 Airbuses, 13 as firm orders and 13 options, Airbus announced three weeks after the Austrian airline's decision to buy the European aircraft.

The firm order is for seven A-320s (a twin-engine 144-seat plane) and six A-321s (the stretched 184-seat version of the A-320), delivery of which will begin in 1995. The engines have not yet been chosen.

AUA chairman Anton Heschgl said at the signature ceremony that the order is "the biggest one in the company's history", representing a potential investment of about 2.3 billion dollars.

In another development, Airbus said on Friday that Malaysia Airlines had converted two options on Airbus A-330s into firm orders, making a total of 10 firm orders Airbus has received from that airline for the aircraft, which will be commercialized starting in 1993.

The two planes ordered Friday will be delivered in 1996 and have Pratt and Whitney PW4000 engines.

Last Monday, Malaysia Airlines ordered 10 Boeing 737-400s and took options on 10 more.

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#90313d5960 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMRITSAR, INDIA (NOV. 9) - Suspected Sikh militants boarded a bus in troubled Punjab state Friday and opened fire, killing seven passengers and seriously injuring 14 others, police here said.

The bus, with 25 people aboard, had been travelling from the industrial township of Batala some 40 kilometers (25 miles) from the Sikh holy city of Amritsar to Jalandhar, when it was boarded by the gunmen, police said.

The gunmen stopped it at a roadside near Balpurian village and opened fire killing five Hindus, one Sikh and one Christian passenger, and seriously wounding 14 others before the remainder of the passengers managed to flee.

In other incidents in the state Friday, Punjab police killed six militants in Gurdaspur and Amritsar districts, while militants raided a house in Ferozepur district where they killed a Sikh man and abducted three members of his family the Press Trust of India said.

Three other militants were killed in scattered encounters, while a fourth committed suicide by taking cyanide when surrounded by troopers in Majitha distirct, the agency said.

At least 2,260 people have been killed so far this year in violence connected with the Sikh militant campaign for a separate homeland called Khalistan.

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#90313d5990 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV 9) - A dusk-to-dawn curfew has been imposed on the Afghan capital Kabul, state-run Radio Kabul reported Friday in a broadcast monitored here.

Quoting a government statement, the radio warned Kabul residents to remain in their homes between 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

The government ended the restrictions earlier this year after lifting the state of emergency enforced when Soviet troops started withdrawing from Afghanistan in 1988, Afghan sources said.

The pullout of 115,000 Soviet troops was completed in February 1989.

The radio, which stopped broadcasting curfew times in recent months, gave no reason for the new curfew restrictions.

Afghan resistance sources said the decision indicated that President Najibullah's Soviet-backed government may sense trouble following reports that mujahedeen guerrillas are to step up attacks on Kabul.

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#90313d6040 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ACCRA (NOV. 9) - Interim Liberian president Amos Sawyer on Friday held talks with Ghana's head of state Jerry Rawlings over the situation in war-torn Liberia, foreign ministry sources here said.

Mr. Sawyer, an academic, was chosen by Liberian politicians in August to lead a provisional government set up under the auspices of the 16-nation Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), of which Ghana is a member.

He has so far been unable to install his government in Monrovia because of continuing fighting there, but is now said to be expected to do so next week.

The foreign ministry sources said that Mr. Sawyer briefed Flight-Lieutenant Rawlings on diplomatic efforts to end the bloody 10-month-old civil war.

The main rebel movement, the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) led by Charles Taylor, has refused to accept the interim goverment and continued to resist a five-nation peacekeeping force sent to Monrovia in August by ECOWAS to impose a ceasefire.

The ceasefire has been accepted by a breakaway rebel faction led by Prince Johnson and by forces loyal to the late President Samuel Doe.

The ECOWAS force comprises troops from Ghana, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Guinea and Gambia.

-30- 1426
#90313d6060 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 9) - Prices dipped early on towards the International Natural Rubber Organisation (INRO) 'may buy' support level, but later recovered to end the week higher.

The price of Ribbed Smoked Sheet No. 1 was 515 pounds per tonne for December delivery against 512.50 the previous week.

Uncertainty over supplies caused by Gulf jitters and by continuing reports that heavy rain is hampering tapping in Malaysia in what is usually a peak production period was cited as the cause of the recovery.

But traders said that despite the firmer trend, background factors remain depressing, with tyre manufacturers cutting back rubber buying programmes and laying off workers.

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#90313d6100 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV 9) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and German Chancellor Helmut Kohl signed a historic 20-year friendship pact Friday to normalize bilateral political and economic relations.

Gorbachev, the first foreign head of state to visit Germany since it was united on October 3, said the ''epoch of confrontation'' was finally over and ''a new world vision'' had arisen.

The 1990 Nobel peace prize laureate, who arrived earlier Friday for a two-day visit, hailed the treaty as ''strong and healthy child'' of recent changes in Europe and the entire world.

Kohl said at the signing ceremony in Bonn's Palais Schaumburg that the pact ''draws a line under the sorrowful chapters of the past'' and ''paves the way for a fresh start''.

In the Pact on Good Neighbourly Relations, Partnership and Cooperation, both nations vow to maintain peace and avoid war.

The treaty ''is also an appeal to our respective citizens to contribute to the reconciliation between our peoples'', Kohl said.

Under the pact, both nations renounced all territorial claims on any other nation as well as the threat or use of force, vowed to solve all conflicts peacefully, pledged to work for disarmament and to hold regular annual summit consultations, Kohl said.

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#90313d6200 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TURIN, Italy (NOV 9) - Fiat has suggested co-operating with two Polish car manufacturers, FSM and FSO, through an equity stake in each company, a Fiat spokesman said Friday.

Fiat could participate in the management and marketing of output from the two firms.

A technical team from Fiat had presented the proposal to the two companies and to the Polish government on Tuesday, the spokesman said.

But Fiat declined to comment on reports that it might be prepared to invest two billion dollars in Poland during the next 15 years.

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#90313d6230 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (NOV. 9) - The Iranian-backed Hezbollah movement denied Friday a report from Jerusalem that Israeli troops raided several of its bases in

southern Lebanon.

Lebanese police in Beirut also said there were no reports from southern Lebanon that Israeli troops early Friday struck bases of the Hezbollah in the Iklim al-Touffah district.

A military source in Jerusalem said that Israeli infantrymen backed by armoured vehicles raided several Hezbollah bases in Jba'a and Ain Abu Souar. There were no reports of casualties.

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#90313d6280 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 9) - The leadership of the U.S. Roman Catholic Church called on the government to weigh carefully the moral consequences of military action in the Gulf before launching any offensive action.

"Is the damage to be inflicted and the costs incurred by war proportionate to the objectives to be achieved by taking up arms?" asked Archbishop Roger Mahony in a letter to Secretary of State James Baker.

Archbishop Mahoney, chairman of the International Policy Committee of the U.S. Catholic Conference, urged the administration of President George Bush, "in continued cooperation with the United Nations, the Soviet Union, Arab states and other nations, (to) stay the course of persistent, peaceful and determined pressure against Iraq."

The letter, which was made public Thursday, said the Church understood that "a strong military presence can give credibility to a vigorous pursuit of non-violent solutions to the crisis."

But it added that the bishops were concerned the pressure to use military force could grow as non-violent measures "become difficult, complex and slow."

"As Catholic bishops, we are deeply concerned about the human consequences of the crisis -- the lives already lost or those that could be lost in a war, the freedom denied to hostages, the victims of aggression and the many families divided by the demands of military service," Archbishop Mahony said.

His letter was released the same day Mr. Bush announced Washington was sending significant reinforcements to the Gulf, where the current U.S. troop deployment of 230,000 troops could climb as high as 430,000.

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#90313d6490 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV 9) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's

quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,317.00 (1,312.00) 1,317.50 (1,312.00)
Lead 369.00 (369.00) 373.50 (374.75)
Zinc Sh 1,293.50 (1,267.00) 1,269.50 (1,262.50)
Tin 6,225.00 (6,147.50) 6,212.50 (6,157.50)
Aluminium 1,597.50 (1,590.50) 1,624.50 (1,624.50)
Nickel 8,925.00 (8,925.00) 8,487.50 (8,362.50)

(Tin, Aluminium and Super Highgrade)

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#90313d6570 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (NOV. 9) - China's Foreign Minister Qian Qichen arrived here Friday for talks with Jordan's King Hussein on ways to reach a peaceful settlement in the Gulf amid an apparent escalation of tension in the region.

Speaking to reporters upon his arrival at Amman airport, Qian Qichen said he was not carrying any peace initiative to resolve the crisis, rather he hoped to ''explore the possibility of achieving a peaceful solution through talks with leaders in the region''.

The Chinese foreign minister, who arrived from Saudi Arabia, would not respond to a question on Beijing's position on a possible U.S. request of a United Nations Security Council resolution sanctioning the use of force to drive Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

''The aim of my tour in the region is to exchange views about the possibility of reaching a peaceful settlement,'' Qian Qichen told reporters. ''I am visiting Jordan upon the invitation of Foreign Minister Marwan Qasem to exchange views on the very dangerous situation in the Gulf.''

There had been conflicting statements from Beijing on whether China would endorse or veto a resolution sanctioning the use of force in the Gulf.

China, along with the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain and France, is a permanent member of the Security Council whose states have the right to veto resolutions.

The Chinese minister is scheduled to hold talks with King Hussein and his Jordanian counterpart Marwan Qasem Saturday. He will fly to Baghdad Sunday for talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on the last leg of his four-nation tour which included Egypt and Saudi Arabia.

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#90313d6690 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
STUTTGART, Germany (NOV. 9) - Mercedes-Benz chairman Werner Niefer will visit Moscow next Thursday to sign an agreement with the Soviet Union to build buses at a factory 30 kms (19 miles) from Moscow, Mercedes-Benz said here on Friday.

No indication was given about the amount of the investment.

Production is to get under way next year, and Mercedes-Benz will assemble type-0330 buses from parts brought in from Germany. But as of 1994, all parts used will have to be produced in the Soviet Union.

The plant, at Golyzino, is to turn out 2,500 passenger buses a year in the long run.

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#90313d6760 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
THE HAGUE (NOV 9) - A Soviet official lambasted his country's agriculture here on Friday as "incomparable on the world level - it is both the least efficient and the most harmful to the environment".

Identified as A. Krikov, a Soviet deputy minister and head of the Soviet delegation here, he told the United Nations Conference on the Habitat and the Environment that Soviet intensive farming "threatens the country's major ecosystems" due to massive use of chemicals.

"The destruction in the past of small farm villages replaced by bigger units destroyed all rural life", he charged.

He said that the Soviet industrial system "generates ecological disasters", mentioning two examples: Kazakhstan, and nickel mining, which he said destroys ecosystems within a radius of 100 kms (62 miles).

He also criticized Soviet centralization, which he said has not decreased much.

He said he hoped that the U.N. conference on the environment and development tio be held in Rio de Janeiro in 1992 would stress the issue of ecological disasters.

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#90313d6870 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRASILIA (NOV 9) - Brazil, casting aside reservations about foreign involvement in protecting its endangered jungles, announced Friday it would ask UNESCO to fund and run two "biosphere reserves" in its Atlantic Forest.

Tania Munhoz, director of the Brazilian Environment Institute (IBAMA), said she would propose the creation of the reserves at the 11th session of the Man

and Biosphere (MAB) program to be held November 12-16 in Paris.

The program is administered by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

It would be the first time since the MAB program was set up in 1972 that Brazil agreed to the creation of a U.N.-controlled ecological reserve. In the past the government has rejected such an outside role in protecting the country's vast forests as an infringement on national sovereignty.

Ms. Munhoz said protection of the Atlantic forest zones -- with their unique wildlife, plants and micro-climate -- would have "a better chance" under UNESCO patronage.

When it was discovered in Brazil in 1500, the Atlantic Forest (Mata Atlantica) covered 10 per cent of Brazil's territory, some 850,000 square kilometers (340,000 square miles). Current IBAMA data set the land area now covered by the forest at scarcely three percent.

Under UNESCO guidelines, zones selected for biosphere reserves should include areas of special natural interest and damaged or endangered ecosystems which can be restored to their natural condition.

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#90313d6920 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV 9) - A secret western network to counter an invasion by Warsaw Pact countries existed in several NATO countries and was currently headed by a Belgian general, Foreign Minister Guy Coeme said here Friday.

He told a press conference that the intelligence network, called Glaive (blade) in French, was currently headed by a Belgian intelligence general and met as recently as two weeks ago to decide on its future.

The defence minister was accompanied by premier Wilfried Martens, who has been in power for over 10 years. Both men denied knowing anything about the network's activities in Belgium before this week.

The existence of the shadowy group, codenamed Gladio (blade) in Italy, was disclosed last month by Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti.

On Thursday, Mr. Coeme confirmed that the group, established in the mid-1950's at the height of the Cold War, was still active in Belgium.

Evidence of the network has also been traced to Greece under another code name. Italian sources have said it was also operational in Britain, France, the Netherlands, and perhaps also in Denmark and Norway.

The Belgian defence minister said that he did not think it was a structure of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO), and had been told "firmly" that it had not been financed by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).

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#90313d6990 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (NOV. 9) - The Soviet Union is negotiating with Germans on possible aid in breathing new life into the Soviet oil and natural gas industry with Germany's financial help, industrial sources said on Friday in conjunction with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's current visit here.

As official discussions were taking place, contacts were established between German firms specializing in oil extraction and Soviet authorities for drilling at four new places, the sources said.

Boosting the Soviet output of oil and natural gas is particularly important as it is one of the few ways in which the Soviet Union can get foreign exchange on world markets.

The Soviet Union is Germany's third-ranking oil supplier, far behind Britain and Libya, but ahead of Saudi Arabia. In the first nine months of the year, Germany imported 4.5 million tons of Soviet oil. The Soviet Union is Germany's leading gas supplier, ahead of Scandinavia and The Netherlands.

Cooperation between the two countries is also a priority for Germany, the Soviet Union's leading trade partner in Europe. Bilateral trade last year amounted to about 13 billion dollars.

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#90313d7210 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LIMA (NOV. 9) - Guerrilla-related violence left 45 dead in the past two days in Peru, prompting a concerned Congress Friday to ask Interior Minister Adolfo Alvarado to report on the situation.

General Alvarado will appear before lawmakers next week, officials said.

A police officer Thursday was shot twice in the head by gunmen, while a suspected terrorist in another part of the city was killed during a shootout with police.

Also Thursday two leaders of a farming community were dragged from their homes and shot to death by suspected guerrillas in the northeastern region of Alto Huallaga.

Five soldiers, 30 guerrillas and two civilians died Wednesday when a military convoy was ambushed by Shining Path guerrillas on a road leading to Tingo

Maria, 400 kilometers (250 kilometers) northeast of here, an army sergeant said.

The rebels set off a land mine which blew up a military vehicle killing one lieutenant, two corporals and two soldiers, he added.

The civilians were reportedly killed for refusing to let the guerrillas enter their home during the fighting.

Initial reports on the clash Thursday said only five soldiers and six guerrillas had died in the clash.

Also Wednesday, in the province of Ancash in the Andes north of Lima, Shining Path rebels seized a police post in the village of Yautan and killed two soldiers, a lawyer and his driver, the police said.

-30- 1597

#90313d7250 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) - President George Bush signed legislation Friday granting Czechoslovakia most-favored-nation trade status.

The terms of the agreement require that the two countries offer each other the lowest possible tariffs on their respective exports.

Mr. Bush said the accord would "provide for greatly expanded trade between the United States and Czechoslovakia and the first step toward a normalization of our bilateral trade relations."

The commercial agreement must be approved by Czechoslovakia's Federal Assembly before it takes effect.

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#90313d7260 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PANAMA CITY (NOV. 9) - Panamanians voiced outrage Friday at the prospect of the United States dropping charges against jailed former dictator Manuel Noriega because of possible government eavesdropping on talks between him and his lawyers.

"Attempt made to free Noriega," screamed the headline of one Panama City newspaper. "Charges against Noriega could be dropped" and "Noriega free, return to Panama not ruled out," two others proclaimed.

Panamanian President Guillermo Endara said that if the drug trafficking charges Mr. Noriega faces were in fact dropped, Panama would seek to extradite him and try him at home.

"In case the United States cannot do it, Noriega will be tried here under Panamanian law because he committed many crimes," Mr. Endara said.

Mr. Noriega has been accused here of looting Panamanian government coffers and involvement in the torture and murder of political opponents while serving as de facto ruler until last year. Officially, he was the commander of the now-defunct Panama Defense Forces.

Mr. Noriega has been jailed awaiting trial in the United States since shortly after the December 20 U.S. invasion that crushed his regime and installed Mr. Endara in power.

Cable News Network Thursday announced it had obtained recordings of telephone conversations between Mr. Noriega and his lawyers, and broadcast excerpts of the tapes.

Mr. Noriega is being held in a federal detention center near Miami.

The head of Mr. Noriega's defense team, Frank Rubino, said the recordings had violated the attorney-client privilege protecting the confidentiality of conversations between lawyers and clients. He said he would file a motion for dismissal of all charges against Mr. Noriega.

Panamana's ambassador to the United States, Eduardo Vallarino, said the incident was a publicity stunt by the Noriega defense team.

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#90313d7340 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERNE (NOV. 9) - Four Swiss parliamentary deputies will go to Iraq next Wednesday in an attempt to secure the release of Swiss ''and other'' hostages, it was disclosed here Friday.

The leader of the delegation, Edgar Oehler, said he had received a promise from Iraqi Ambassador to Switzerland Abdo al-Airi that the delegation would ''not return empty-handed''.

But he was unable to say how many of the 24 Swiss nationals who wanted to leave Iraq would be permitted to go.

A total of about 80 Swiss citizens are reported to be still in Iraq. This figure includes Swiss diplomats and people working for the International Committee of the Red Cross.

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#90313d7350 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (NOV. 9) - Nepalese police late Friday fired tear gas at about

2,000 communists who denounced the monarchy for promulgating what they called a reactionary constitution.

As they marched through the main market areas of the capital here, Nepal Communist Party members shouted "Down with King Birendra", "Long live the Nepal Communist Party" and "We do not accept a reactionary constitution."

To disperse the protestors, police fired tear gas at them and charged with batons.

Responding to a call from the Nepal Communist Party, businesses and homes switched off their lights to protest the new constitution which was proclaimed Friday.

The constitution establishes a constitutional monarchy and guarantees a multiparty political system, consolidating gains made earlier this year by a popular movement against almost 30 years of partyless politics.

Meanwhile over 15,000 pro-democratic Nepali Congress activists and the Nepal Student's Union, including thousands of women, gathered together in a Kathmandu township to celebrate the victory of their movement.

The head of the National Democratic Party and former Panchayat prime minister, Surya Bahadur Thapa, also welcomed what he described as the dawning of a new political era in the country.

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#90313d7580 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DETROIT, MICHIGAN (NOV. 9) - The nation's three largest automakers plan to cut production and lay off a total of about 50,000 workers because of a drop in orders, the firms said Friday.

General Motors Co. will temporarily shut down 10 factories next week, Ford Motor Co. will shut down four plants either partially or completely and Chrysler will suspend production in three plants.

Spurred by the arrival of new models, sales were stronger in October. But the three firms reported sharply lower orders since the beginning of the year.

General Motors reported a net loss of two billion dollars in the third quarter of 1990, largely because of a 2.1 billion dollar restructuring plan that included the closure of nine plants.

Ford Motor Co. saw its earnings plummet 78.7 per cent in the third quarter, while Chrysler reported a 214 million dollar loss for the same period.

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#90313d7630 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN (NOV. 9) - Iranian President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani expressed grave concern Friday over the possibility of war breaking out in the Gulf and said he feared ''great destruction in the region'' as a result of a military confrontation.

''Regarding a peaceful solution to the issue, we have so far seen no sign to this effect,'' the Iranian Islamic Republic News Agency (Irna) quoted Rafsanjani as telling Muslim worshippers at the Friday prayers.

The president also reiterated Iran's stance on an unconditional Iraqi troops withdrawal from Kuwait, saying there was no solution other than this and other than Iraq's ''being content with what it (formerly) had''.

Irna quoted Rafsanjani as saying: ''We have seen no indication of goodwill from the two belligerent parties, neither from the aggressor nor from those who have come here apparently in defence of Kuwait.

''The presence of foreign forces in the region is apparently aimed at checking an Iraqi advance but in fact it is not so. If their real intention is to counter oppression they should have come to halt Israel's crimes in the first place.''

Rafsanjani said a long-term presence of foreign forces near the ''House of Allah'' (in Saudi Arabia) could be even more dangerous.

''Like others, we participate in the economic sanctions against Iraq because if we breach the blockade that would mean that Iraq could stay in Kuwait but this is neither in the interest of the region nor in the interest of Iran,'' Rafsanjani emphasised.

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#90313d7710 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO, (NOV 9) - A prominent real estate broker has quit the troubled subsidiary of Japan's scandal-ridden Sumitomo group, amid growing criticism of his role in the company's excessive property-related business, the firm said.

Suemitsu Ito resigned voluntarily as managing director in charge of real estate at Itoman Co. Thursday, Itoman President Yoshihiko Kawamura announced Friday.

"Mr. Ito expressed his wish to resign as he said he has completed his duty," he added.

Mr. Ito, a real estate broker known for his aggressive land acquisitions,

joined Itoman in February at Mr. Kawamura's request, but his managament has boosted Itoman's debts in real estate, press reports said.

Moody's Investors Services said Friday it had downgraded the credit rating of Sumitomo Bank from "Aaa" to "Aa1" due to concern about the bank's profitability and the quality of its real estate loans.

The U.S. credit rating agency said it was particularly concerned about the financial impact of its efforts to restructure Itoman, which has been extensively exposed to Japanese real estate.

The bank, the nucleus of the Sumitomo group, is the world's second biggest with assets of 64,200 billion yen (407 billion dollars).

Itoman's financial failure was attributed to its excessive investment and loans related to real estate.

Sumitomo Bank has been embroiled in a widening loan scandal after a former manager of its local branch was arrested in October for allegedly arranging 22.8 billion yen (165 million dollars) in loans to a stock speculators group.

The bank's chairman, Ichiro Isoda, and vice president Teizaburo Nishi resigned to take responsibility for the loan scandal.

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#90313d7740 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS, (NOV 9) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker arrived Friday in Paris for talks with the French government Saturday on the Gulf crisis.

In a meeting with President Francois Mitterrand and Foreign Minister Roland Dumas, Baker is expected to seek French approval for a possible military offensive in the Gulf.

In the past France has been strictly opposed to any military operation without prior consent from the United Nations Security Council.

In Paris, Baker will also meet Manfred Woerner, secretary general of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.

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#90313d7760 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK, (NOV 9) - A Thai was arrested Friday on charges of possessing 16 kilograms (35.2 pounds) of pure white heroin powder bound for the United States, police said.

The haul was valued at at least 6.4 million dollars on the U.S. market, police

said.

The heroin, pressed into in 40, 400-gram bars, was concealed in a cardboard crate that was to be loaded aboard a U.S.-bound Northwest flight, police said.

Chanwit Sermsongsawat, 45, confessed to having been hired to deliver the crate to the office of an export company adjacent to a prominent night club in downtown Bangkok, police said.

Police said they had received a report from undercover agents that a suspiciously heavy crate was being handled in front of the office.

Three employees of the export company were also arrested but were later released for lack of evidence, police said, adding that they were searching for another Thai man who had fled the scene.

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#90313d7780 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV 9) - The earnings of the mining group Anglovaal, boosted by interest on the company's cash resources of one billion rands (400 million dollars), will be better this year than in the financial year ended June 30, group chairman Basil Hersov predicted here Friday.

Mr. Hersov told shareholders at the annual general meeting the September quarter performance was an improvement on the same period last year, despite a fall in the profitability of the company's four gold mines.

Meanwhile Gold Fields of South Africa warned that a strike by more than 6,000 miners that has crippled production since last Sunday at the Libanon gold mine near Westonaria, west of here, could lead to lay-offs.

Miners downed tools to press claims for greater safety underground and to demand the dismissal of three white officials they hold responsible for the disappearance underground of a black miner on May 15.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) - The United Nations Security Council renewed Friday its call for a negotiated settlement of the Cyprus conflict and expressed regret that a draft peace treaty has still not been submitted.

A statement issued by the president of the council said the 15 members were calling on the Greek and Turkish national groups in Cyprus to facilitate the process of negotiations by showing readiness for political action.

The two groups were urged to support the efforts of the Secretary General in

seeking a solution and to refrain from all acts and public statements which could imperil his efforts.

The Secretary General was asked to submit a report on his Cyprus efforts to the council by February 15, 1991.

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#90313d7890 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SASKATOON, CANADA (NOV. 9) - The president of Canada's National Farmers Union complained Friday that the 12-nation European Econpomic Community (EEC) was more concerned with the needs of its farmers than was the Canadian Government.

Wayne Easter said: "We're opposed to the European Community's use of export subsidies. But at least they have a policy of supporting their farmers."

Mr. Easter complained that Ottawa was planning to halve domestic supports for Canadian farmers over a 10-year period.

He said Ottawa had taken its position of opposing farm subsidies in the current round of trade liberalization negotiations, which are being conducted under the auspices of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), just to appease the United States.

"Our only hope," he maintained, "is Europe will continue to support its farmers and we'll have to protect ours."

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#90313d8080 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV 9) - France and the United States are competing heavily to supply South Korea with eight anti-submarine patrol aircraft, local press reports said Friday.

The bidding war has caused Seoul to delay its purchase of the aircraft and lose several million dollars because the Korean won has in the meantime been devalued, the reports said. The deal is estimated at 800 million dollars.

The South Korean Defense Ministry initially picked French-made ATL2's over Lockheed's P3C's in an international bid last December, after the U.S. firm failed to satisfy aircraft maintenance conditions, the reports said.

The South Korean Navy had pushed for the U.S. aircraft because they were better suited for operations with U.S. forces, but the South Korean Defense Industry Research Institute said the P3C's were too costly to maintain.

U.S. defense officials two months ago offered the latest model of P3C's instead of the older one that the U.S. originally tried to supply, the reports

added.

France hopes to sell its ATL2's, made by the Dassault company, especially as South Korean Defense Minister Lee Sang-Hoon went to Paris last July to sign an agreement on military co-operation and weapons supplies.

General Lee was dismissed from the post last month following a military intelligence scandal.

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#90313d8150 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV 9) - Some 1,000 teaching posts reserved for whites throughout South Africa are to be scrapped next year due to falling enrollment in white schools, state-run radio reported Friday.

Senior white education official Chris Pretorius told the radio fewer people would be admitted to teacher training colleges next year.

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#90313d8190 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM, (NOV 10) - Tanzanian President Ali Hassan Mwinyi on Friday night named a 26-member cabinet in which he brought in new faces and created 10 new ministries but retained 17 previous ministers.

He announced the new cabinet seven hours after swearing in his new 56-year-old Prime Minister, John Malecela, who succeeded Joseph Warioba, now demoted to head the new ministry of regional administration and local government.

The new ministers were Edward Lowassa, minister of state in the prime minister's office; Horace Kolimba, minister without portfolio; Philemon Sarungi health, and Abubakar Yusuf Mgumia, tourism, natural resources and environment.

Others were Dr. William Shija (science, technology and higher education) and Augustine Mrema (home affairs).

Among the old faces retained in the new cabinet were former information and broadcasting minister Hassan Diriya, who now moves to become minister for foreign affairs and international relations, replacing Ben Mkapa, who takes over from Mr. Diriya.

Mr. Mwinyi also retained his former state minister for planning, Kighoma Malima and the minister of state for the civil service, Fatuma Said Ali.

Mr. Mwinyi, who now retains the defence portfolio, also appointed former education minister Amrani Mayagila to become minister of state for defence and national service in the president's office.

He also named six deputy ministers to assist ministers with larger portfolios, noting that he would bring in more when the need arose.

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#90313d8220 11/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LOS ANGELES, (NOV 9) - A U.S. judge Friday scheduled a hearing for next month on whether there is an out-of-court settlement in the Philippine Government's racketeering lawsuit against Imelda Marcos.

Attorneys for the former Philippine first lady say Manila has agreed to drop the suit in exchange for 60 per cent of the money Mrs. Marcos controls in Hong Kong bank accounts. The balance of the accounts has not been disclosed.

The Manila government had sued Mrs. Marcos in a bid to recover billions of dollars it alleges were stolen from government coffers during two decades of rule by the late Ferdinand Marcos. Manila says the groundwork for an agreement has been laid, but that there is no final settlement.

U.S. District Judge Mariana Pfaelzer set an evidentiary hearing for December 10. She said this was necessary because documents submitted by the two sides did not prove there an agreement.

Mrs. Marcos, who came to court but did not testify, complained she was tired of her legal travails -- she was acquitted in a federal fraud and racketeering trial earlier this year in New York -- and wanted to return home with her husband's body.

She told reporters there was in fact an agreement for Manila to drop its civil suit and that she did not know how much money was in the Hong Kong accounts.

Mr. Marcos died last year in Hawaii, where he and his wife fled after the 1986 popular revolt that ushed Corazon Aquino into power.

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#90313e0010 11/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SEOUL (NOV 9) EFE - The governments of North and South Korea Friday ended their third meeting in the border town of Panmunjon without agreeing on whether they should apply separately or together for representation at the United Nations.

While North Korea has proposed that a single seat be alternated between both sides, South Korea claims they must apply separately due to lack of cooperation and understanding between the two governments.

The two countries, divided for 45 years, are currently observers in the United

Nations.

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#90313e0022 11/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

GUATEMALA CITY (NOV. 9) EFE - As violence-weary Guatemala prepares to go to the polls Sunday, the race for president looks to be a contest of two leading right-wing candidates with a run-off between them expected in January.

The ruling Christian Democrats, already hampered by the hospitalization of their candidate, appear out of the running after trying to bring order to a country racked by 30 years of civil war that has claimed some 150,000 lives.

Faced with taking charge of a powerful Army, that is frequently accused by human rights activists of carrying out many of the killings in its attempts to wipe out left-wing guerrillas, the successor to President Vinicio Cerezo also faces a tottering economy with 50 percent inflation.

The current front-runner to get the job is Jorge Carpio Nicolle of the National Center Union who heads the opinion polls with 21 percent, four points ahead of the National Progressive Party's Alvaro Arzu.

But with some 29 percent of the country's 3.2 million voters still undecided on which way to vote, political analysts believe that a January 6 run-off will be needed in which Arzu is expected to pick up more of the transfer votes from other candidates.

Third-placed Jorge Serrano Elias of the Solidarity Action Movement could even be an outsider, having jumped six points to 15 percent in the latest survey, putting him ahead of the Christian Democrats' Alfonso Cabrera at nine percent.

Arzu, 44, a businessman and coffee grower, is a hard-liner who has promised to clamp down on leftist guerrillas, corruption and drug trafficking.

He has been vying with the other leading candidates for the votes that would have gone to former favorite Efrain Rios Montt, a retired general who led the country for 16 months after seizing power in 1982.

With Rios Montt ruled out under a constitutional clause which bans those who have taken part in coups from taking office, there have even been rumors of another military coup.

Political analyst Hector Rosadas believes Arzu is well placed to pick up the general's votes, with a similar manifesto "only more polished and better presented".

But a major stumbling block could be the former Guatamela City mayor's anti-guerrilla attitudes. Arzu says that he "will not talk with subversion if

they do not stop their acts of sabotage against the country's infrastructure."

He claims human rights violations are "not exclusive to the Army", although he acknowledges the military has been responsible for some and that he will clamp down on them.

He also says he will not share power with anybody, including the Army.

His answer to the country's problems is to wipe out poverty and misery "that are the source of violence in many parts of the country".

While Carpio, 58, is seen as less extremist, he has made similar promises to the population, 72 percent of whom live in extreme poverty.

He agrees that the civil war "must be stopped" while saying that he also plans to tackle inflation, and to generate investment and production to overcome the 40 per unemployment rate.

"We are going to make Guatemala an emporium of riches," said Carpio, brother of the country's current vice-president.

To cut the country's political violence, which has seen 13 leading politicians die in the run up to the elections, he is presenting his "Rainbow Plan" which promises 40 emergency measures to be introduced the day of his election.

Carpio, who is proposing Manuel Ayau, former candidate of the extreme right-wing National Liberation Movement, as his deputy, also says he will invite more people from different parties to join him in a government of "common direction".

The ruling Christian Democrats (DCG) blame "internal pressures" for their predicament in the polls.

Party leader Catalina Soberanis said "the deterioration of the government" began in 1988 when businessmen launched a campaign against the government's planned fiscal reforms.

She also blamed comments from U.S. Ambassador Thomas Stroock who recently described Guatemala as "a bridge in the trafficking of cocaine" from South America to the United States, as well as U.S. criticism of human rights violations in the country.

But political observers point to the worsening economy and increasing insecurity in the face of guerrilla attacks and crime for their demise.

Despite worsening social conditions, where one in 10 children die before the age of five, and 53 percent of women are illiterate, the DCG is still pushing itself as "men of the people" against the "rich men" of the other parties.

If, as expected, they lose, Soberanis has hinted at giving the party's backing to Arzu, who she describes as a "progressive neoliberal".

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#90313e0036 11/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

FRANKFURT (NOV. 9) EFE - Former West German chancellor Willy Brandt Friday flew home with some 200 Western hostages whose release from Iraq and Kuwait he negotiated with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The Lufthansa Airbus carrying Brandt and the hostages home was scheduled to land in Frankfurt at 2000 GMT, airline officials said.

Brandt flew to Baghdad Monday and met with Saddam twice this week.

The hostages included some 140 Germans, and citizens from Italy, Britain, the Netherlands, the United States, France, Canada and Australia.

They also included at least 42 hostages who had been held at strategic installations as "human shields" against a possible attack from U.S.-led multinational forces deployed in the Gulf since Iraq invaded and annexed Kuwait three months ago.

Meanwhile Friday, ex-Danish prime minister Anker Joergensen and former New Zealand premier David Lange flew to Baghdad to push for the release of more hostages.

Iraqi officials will receive several Western delegations over the next few days. All of them are looking for Baghdad to allow some of the several thousand remaining Western hostages to leave.

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#90313e0037 11/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 9) EFE - The family home of the Egyptian-born alleged killer of extreme right-wing Israeli Rabbi Meir Kahane has become a Mecca for admiring Egyptians, Egyptian press reported Friday.

Fellow countrymen of Kahane's alleged killer, Sayed Aziz Nosayer, have flocked in droves to his widower father Abdel's home in the northeastern town of Port Fuad to extol the virtues of Egypt's most recent hero.

For most Egyptians, Kahane, who had called for the expulsion of all Arabs from Israel and the Occupied Territories, died in the fire of his own hate.

"Sayed did a great service to all Arabs and Moslems because Kahane was a criminal who wanted to expel our brothers, the Palestinians, from their

country and kill those who refused to abandon their lands," Abdo, a taxi driver from Cairo, told EFE.

"This man (Kahane) got his just reward," Abdo added, in response to the grief of Kahane's admirers in his radical Zionist Kach party.

Nayat Samir, a philosophy student from Cairo, reminded Israelis that the 1979 Camp David peace treaty between Egypt and Israel did not mean Egyptians have stopped supporting the Palestinian cause.

"The Israelis are mistaken if they think that because we signed the Camp David peace accord, we are going to forget about the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people," Nayat said.

For Nayat, in killing Kahane, Sayed scourged the world of one of the fiercest spokesman of "extremist Zionist anger" directed against "defenseless" Palestinians.

Sayed's father, Abdel, regards his son's act as an "honor" but laments the fact that his wife is not alive to share it with him.

Abdel, 60, told press Thursday that his son was "affected by extreme Zionism, and this perhaps was the motive that pushed him to kill Kahane".

But apart from his immediate concern for Sayed, who was wounded by a policeman in Monday's attack on Kahane in New York, Aziz's pride is also mixed with fear for the safety of his other four sons, the Egyptian daily Al Wafd reported Friday.

Kahane's murder has sparked at least two revenge killings in Israel.

Security force officials said Thursday that Egyptian Interior Minister Abdel Halim Musa is drawing up plans to keep tabs on Jews and Israelis in Egypt to prevent possible revenge attacks by Kahane's followers.

Abdel has said the Egyptian government should "protect his sons, especially Sayed, because he carried out a task that honors Egypt".

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#90313e0043 11/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 9) EFE - United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar said Friday that the use of force against Iraq in the Gulf crisis would be justified under an article of the U.N. Charter.

He was responding to reporters who asked for his reaction to the United States' decision to send at least 100,000 more troops to the Gulf where a multinational force is massed to persuade Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait which

it invaded and annexed in August.

Perez de Cuellar, quoting Article 42 of the U.N. Charter, said the the use of force would be "legitimate".

Article 42 states that the U.N. Security Council "may take such action by air, sea or land forces as may be necessary to maintain or restore international peace and security".

The statement came as U.S. Secretary of State James Baker concluded a Middle East and European tour aimed at coordinating strategy of the U.S.-led forces in the Gulf and obtaining broad international consensus for military action against Iraq if economic sanctions fail to force it out of Kuwait.

The United States, Britain, the Soviet Union, France and China form the five permanent members of the Security Council. In his tour Baker has discussed with leaders of the other four the possbility of a Council resolution authorizing the multinational force to attack Iraq if it refuses to withdraw from Kuwait.

Any permanent member can veto a Security Council resolution.

Both the Soviet Union and China, which have not contributed to the multinational force, are believed to have told Baker they would not oppose a resolution sanctioning force to oust Iraq from Kuwait.

Military observers said the increased U.S. military presence in the Gulf would give the multinational force enough muscle to launch a successful offensive against Iraq.

"They must think that they should be prepared for military action, but I hope that all those involved give peace a chance," de Cuellar said of the U.S. build-up.

The secretary general said he was aware of a peace initiative by four non-permanent members of the Security Council which have proposed sending an Arab contingent to the Gulf and suggested that Perez de Cuellar mediate Iraq's territorial claims in Kuwait once Iraqi forces pull back to their pre-invasion borders.

"I am ready to do anything to find a peaceful solution," de Cuellar said of the initiative drawn up by Colombia, Yemen, Cuba and Malaysia.

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#90313e0047 11/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 9) EFE - Belgium Friday said a clandestine anti-communist network set up during the Cold War and allegedly linked to the secret services

of several NATO member countries still existed in Europe and asked for it to be dissolved.

Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens and Defense Minister Guy Coeme told a press conference that officials of the secret network, Operation Gladio, held a meeting in Brussels two weeks ago.

Coeme said that until news of the Brussels meeting, the government did not know that the group, uncovered in Italy last month, had existed.

The defense minister said that a Belgian general currently holds the rotating presidency of Operation Gladio.

Coeme has called for an immediate investigation to determine if the network was involved in several right-wing terrorist attacks in Belgium during the 1980s involving robberies in which dozens of people were killed.

A recent report by the Italian government claimed that the clandestine committee which led the group was linked to the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, NATO's European command.

At least seven NATO nations, Britain, France, the United States, Belgium, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and West Germany reportedly had ties to the network, set up in the 1950s to organize a resistance force in Western Europe in preparation for a possible Warsaw Pact attack.

When the network first became public, NATO military sources said there was no link between Operation Gladio and the military alliance.

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#90313h0010 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA (NOV. 9) XINHUA - BANGLADESH'S TEA PRICES FELL BY FIVE TAKA (ABOUT 0.7 U.S. DOLLARS) PER KG AT THE WEEKLY TEA AUCTION HELD IN THE COUNTRY'S SOUTHEASTERN SEAPORT CITY OF CHITTAGANG ON THURSDAY.

ACCORDING TO TEA BUSINESSMEN, THE FALL OF TEA PRICES WAS DUE TO THE DECREASE OF DEMAND IN SOME EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES FOR BANGLADESH TEA.

HOWEVER, THERE WAS A GOOD DEMAND FROM IRAN AND PAKISTAN FOR BROKEN GRADES, FANNINGS AND GREEN TEAS AT THE WEEKLY AUCTION, ACCORDING TO TEA BUSINESSMEN.

BANGLADESH EXPORTS TEA MAINLY TO EASTERN EUROPE AND THE MIDDLE EAST.

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#90313h0021 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WELLINGTON (NOV. 9) XINHUA - NEW ZEALAND'S THREE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS HAVE

BEEN PLACED UNDER TIGHTENED SECURITY BECAUSE OF A "THREAT OF TERRORISM," A LOCAL MEDIA REPORT SAID TODAY.

SECURITY OFFICERS -- INSTEAD OF USUAL ROUTINE PATROLS -- HAVE BEEN PERSONALLY GUARDING THE AIRLINES' AIRCRAFT ON NIGHT TIME STOPOVERS AT AUCKLAND, WELLINGTON AND CHRISTCHURCH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS.

AVIATION SECURITY OPERATIONS MANAGER MARK EVERITT SAID THE AIRCRAFT UNDER TIGHT GUARD MIGHT BE PASSING THROUGH THE GULF THE NEXT DAY OR CARRYING PASSENGERS DESTINED FOR THE MIDDLE EAST.

SECURITY OFFICERS WERE PAYING MORE ATTENTION TO PASSENGERS, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO WERE FLYING ON AIRCRAFT EVENTUALLY BOUND FOR THE GULF, THE MANAGER SAID.

SO FAR NO PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN REPORTED. QANTAS OF AUSTRALIA, SINGAPORE AIRLINES AND BRITISH AIRWAYS ALL FLY THROUGH NEW ZEALAND TO THE MIDDLE EAST.

A BRITISH AIRWAYS SPOKESMAN SAID HERE TODAY A REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL SECURITY HAD GONE TO THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT FROM THE AIRLINE'S HEAD OFFICE IN LONDON THE MEDIA REPORT SAID.

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#90313h0028 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV. 9) XINHUA - THAILAND HAS DECIDED TO FOCUS ITS EXPORT DRIVE TO JAPAN NEXT YEAR AS PART OF ITS EFFORTS TO NARROW THE TRADE GAP BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

THE DECISION WAS MADE RECENTLY FOLLOWING A MEETING BETWEEN THAI PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT SECTORS TO REVISE THE COUNTRY'S EXPORT PROMOTION ACTIVITIES AFTER IRAQ INVADED KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

DEPARTMENT OF EXPORT PROMOTION DIRECTOR GENERAL CHALOR FUENGAROM WAS QUOTED AS SAYING BY LOCAL PRESS THAT JAPAN HAS THE HIGHEST POTENTIAL FOR THAI GOODS, AND AS SUCH THAILAND SHOULD PAY MORE ATTENTION TO JAPAN.

JAPAN IS THAILAND SECOND LARGEST MARKET AFTER THE UNITED STATES, WHICH IMPORTED WORTH 98,615 MILLION BAHT (3,944 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) OF THAI PRODUCTS LAST YEAR, AN INCREASE OF 38 PERCENT OVER 1988.

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#90313h0029 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WARSAW (NOV. 9) XINHUA - POLISH PREMIER TADEUSZ MAZOWIECKI SAID TODAY THAT A POLISH-GERMAN FRIENDSHIP AND GOOD-NEIGHBORLINESS TREATY WILL BE APPROVED BY THE TWO PARLIAMENTS AT THE END OF JANUARY 1991.

MAZOWIECKI AND GERMAN CHANCELLOR HELMUT KOHL MET TODAY IN THE GERMAN CITY

FRANKFORT AND THE POLISH CITY SLUBICE SUCCESSIVELY TO MARK THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF KOHL'S HISTORIC VISIT TO POLAND.

A POLISH NEWSPAPER SAID THE MEETING MARKED "THE BEGINNING OF THE FURTHERANCE OF THE FRIENDSHIP, GOOD-NEIGHBORLINESS AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS."

MAZOWIECKI SAID THE TREATY THAT WOULD ENSURE THE INVIOLABILITY OF THE EXISTING POLISH-GERMAN BOUNDARY WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE PARLIAMENTS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES FOR APPROVAL IN FEBRUARY 1991.

THE POLISH PREMIER ALSO DISCLOSED THAT GERMANY WILL CONSIDER THE POLISH PROPOSAL ON THE MUTUAL EXEMPTION OF VISAS BEGINNING ON THE COMING CHRISTMAS.

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#90313h0030 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 9) XINHUA - THE HONG KONG TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL HAS SET UP A CONSULTANT OFFICE IN BANGKOK TO BOOST TRADE WITH THAILAND, ACCORDING TO THE COUNCIL'S SPOKESMAN.

WITH THIS LATEST ADDITION, THE COUNCIL'S GLOBAL NETWORK NOW COVERS 32 OFFICES AND CONSULTANTS IN 23 COUNTRIES AND REGIONS IN THE WORLD.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID IN A PRESS RELEASE THURSDAY THAT IT IS THE SECOND TIME THIS YEAR THE TDC HAS APPOINTED A NEW CONSULTANT IN ASIA. THE COUNCIL APPOINTED ITS KOREAN CONSULTANT IN JANUARY.

THE APPOINTMENT REFLECTS THE TDC'S EMPHASIS ON THE ASIAN MARKET, WHICH NOW ACCOUNTS FOR 60 PERCENT OF HONG KONG'S TOTAL TRADE, HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT THE MOVE IN BANGKOK UNDERLINES THE ROBUST GROWTH OF BILATERAL TRADE BETWEEN THAILAND AND HONG KONG IN RECENT YEARS.

THAILAND IS HONG KONG'S 14TH LARGEST TRADING PARTNER. THEIR TRADE TOTALLED 13.1 BILLION H.K. DOLLARS (1.68 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) LAST YEAR AFTER A VIGOROUS GROWTH OF 36 PERCENT AND 27 PERCENT IN 1988 AND 1989 RESPECTIVELY, HE SAID.

THIS YEAR, HE SAID, HONG KONG HAS SURPASSED TAIWAN AND THE U.S. TO BECOME THE SECOND-LARGEST FOREIGN INVESTOR IN THAILAND. WITH A TOTAL OF 4.4 BILLION H.K. DOLLAR (564 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR) INVESTMENT, HONG KONG RANKS ONLY AFTER JAPAN.

ALTHOUGH THERE STILL EXIST IMPORT BARRIERS IN THE FORM OF THAILAND'S IMPORT LICENSING, HIGH TARIFFS AND TAXES, THE THAI GOVERNMENT'S PRESENT PRO-BUSINESS STANCE IS LIKELY TO LEAD TO A GRADUAL REDUCTION OF THESE BARRIERS IN THE FUTURE, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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#90313h0033 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
DHAKA (NOV. 9) XINHUA - AN AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED TODAY BETWEEN BANGLADESH MONGLA PORT AUTHORITY AND CHINA HARBOR ENGINEERING COMPANY FOR CAPITAL DREDGING OF MONGLA PORT TO INCREASE NAVIGABILITY AND FACILITATE SHIPS TO AND FROM THE PORT.

ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING HERE, THE WORK IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN 60 WEEKS AFTER THE START OF THE DREDGING WORK IN FEBRUARY 1991.

ON COMPLETION OF THE CAPITAL DREDGING OF THE BANGLADESH'S SECOND BIGGEST SEA PORT IN THE SOUTH AFTER CHITTAGONG, NAVIGABILITY WOULD BE EASIER AND SHIPS HAVING A DRAFT OF EIGHT METERS WOULD BE CONVENIENTLY BE CALLED AT THE PORT. EXPORT AND IMPORT OF CARGO THROUGH THIS PORT WOULD ALSO SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASE.

IT WOULD ALSO LINK THE PORT MORE FAVORABLY WITH THE NORTHERN REGION OF THE COUNTRY.

THE MONGLA PORT HAS EARNED A NET PROFIT OF 13 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS DURING THE 1989-90 FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30.

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#90313h0035 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (NOV. 9) XINHUA - CHINA HAS DECIDED TO SUSPEND ITS DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH NICARAGUA AS OF TODAY, ANNOUNCED THE CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN IN A STATEMENT HERE THIS AFTERNOON.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE FULL TEXT OF THE STATEMENT BY THE SPOKESMAN: ON NOVEMBER 1990, THE NICARAGUAN GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED THE RESTORATION OF ITS SO-CALLED "DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS" WITH THE TAIWAN AUTHORITIES. THIS DECISION MADE BY THE NICARAGUAN GOVERNMENT NOT ONLY VIOLATES THE PRINCIPLES SET FORTH IN THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN CHINA AND NICARAGUA, 1985 AND ITS COMMITMENT ON THE QUESTION OF TAIWAN, BUT ALSO RUNS COUNTER TO THE GOODWILL OF THE NICARAGUAN PEOPLE TOWARD THE CHINESE PEOPLE. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA HAS DECIDED TO SUSPEND ITS DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH NICARAGUA AS OF THIS DATE.

IT IS KNOWN TO ALL THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA IS THE SOLE LEGAL GOVERNMENT OF CHINA AND THAT TAIWAN IS AN INALIENABLE PART OF THE CHINESE TERRITORY. WE ARE RESOLUTELY OPPOSED TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICIAL RELATIONS AND EXCHANGES OF AN OFFICIAL NATURE WITH TAIWAN BY THOSE COUNTRIES HAVING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH CHINA. IN RECENT YEARS, THE TAIWAN AUTHORITIES HAVE, IN DISREGARD OF THE OVERALL INTERESTS OF THE CHINESE NATION, PURSUED THE SO-CALLED "ELASTIC DIPLOMACY" BY BUYING OVER OR USING OTHER FOUL MEANS AND INDUCED INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES TO "ESTABLISH" OR "RESTORE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS" WITH THEM IN AN ATTEMPT TO BRING ABOUT "DUAL RECOGNITION" AND TO

CREATE "TWO CHINAS" OR "ONE CHINA, ONE TAIWAN." SUCH ATTEMPT GOES AGAINST THE TAIWAN AUTHORITIES' OWN POSITION, NAMELY, "THERE IS ONLY ONE CHINA," AND WILL NEVER SUCCEED. THE CHINESE PEOPLE WILL EVENTUALLY REALIZE THEIR GREAT CAUSE OF NATIONAL REUNIFICATION.

THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE HIGHLY CHERISH THEIR FRIENDLY RELATIONS AND COOPERATION WITH NICARAGUA. IT IS OUR HOPE THAT THE NICARAGUAN GOVERNMENT WILL TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE LONG-TERM INTERESTS OF SINO-NICARAGUAN RELATIONS, CORRECT ITS ERRONEOUS DECISION OF "RESTORING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS" WITH TAIWAN AND RETURN TO THE PRINCIPLED POSITION AS SET FORTH IN THE COMMUNIQUE ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN CHINA AND NICARAGUA.

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#90313h0039 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 9) XINHUA - THE 340 MILLION H.K. DOLLAR (44 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR) NEW HONG KONG SCIENCE MUSEUM WHICH WAS INAUGURATED THURSDAY WILL OPEN TO THE PUBLIC NEXT APRIL.

SITUATED IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST, KOWLOON, THE MUSEUM OCCUPIES A SITE AREA OF 27,000 SQUARE METERS. THE FOUR-STOREY MUSEUM BUILDING HAS A TOTAL FLOOR AREA OF 13,500 SQUARE METERS, OF WHICH 7,250 SQUARE METRES ARE EXHIBITION GALLERIES.

EXHIBITS IN THE MUSEUM, OF WHICH SOME 60 PERCENT WILL BE "HANDS-ON" EXHIBITS, COVER FIVE MAJOR AREAS: ORIENTATION, SCIENCE, LIFE SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND A KID ZONE SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR THOSE AGED BETWEEN 3 AND 7.

EXHIBITS IN THE TECHNOLOGY AREA ARE FURTHER SUBDIVIDED INTO SECTIONS COVERING COMPUTERS AND ROBOTICS, ENERGY, COMMUNICATION, CONSTRUCTION, TRANSPORTATION, FOOD SCIENCE AND HOME TECHNOLOGY.

NEARLY HALF OF THE EXHIBITS HAVE BEEN SELECTED FROM THE BEST AROUND THE WORLD, THE OTHER HALF BEING ORIGINAL DESIGNS CREATED JOINTLY BY LOCAL AND OVERSEAS EXPERTS. EMPHASIS HAS BEEN PLACED ON EXHIBITS DESIGNED WITH SPECIAL RELEVANCE TO HONG KONG AND THE CHINESE MAINLAND.

ABOUT ONE-THIRD OF THE 340 MILLION H.K. DOLLAR BUDGET FOR THE MUSEUM IS FOR EXHIBIT FABRICATION AND INSTALLATIONS.

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#90313h0043 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LUSAKA (NOV. 9) XINHUA - ZAMBIA HAS BEEN SELECTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATION (ILO) AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL BODIES TO HOST A THREE-DAY REGIONAL "THINK TANK" MEETING FOR HEADS OF THE NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL AGENCIES, ZAMBIA DAILY MAIL REPORTED TODAY.

THE THREE-DAY ANTI-DRUG MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN REGION IS SCHEDULED TO

OPEN ON DECEMBER 3 IN LIVINGSTONE AND WILL FOCUS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE AND COHERENT NATIONAL STRATEGY AND POLICY FOR THE PREVENTION AND REDUCTION OF DRUG AND ALCOLHOL PROBLEMS.

THE PAPER SAID THAT THE WAR ON DRUG ABUSE IS PICKING UP AS DRUG ABUSE HAS BECOME VERY SERIOUS IN THE REGION.

EARLY LAST MONTH, ZAMBIAN MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS GENERAL KINGSLEY CHINKULI LED A GROUP OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO DESTROY 394,000 MANDRAX TABLETS AND 5.5 KILOGRAMS OF HEROIN WORTH 74 MILLION KWACHA (40 KWACHA EQUAL ONE U.S. DOLLAR).

IN LATE OCTOBER, HEROIN WEIGHING 65 GRAMS WITH A STREET VALUE OF 328,500 KWACH WAS FOUND IN A ZAMBIA AIRWAYS AIRCRAFT TOILET.

THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION ANNOUNCED RECENTLY THAT IT IS INVESTIGATING THE ACTIVITIES OF A HIGHLY SOPHISTICATED DRUG SYNDICATE BELIEVED TO BE OPERATING BETWEEN ZAMBIA AND NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES AND THAT SOME PEOPLE HAVE BEEN PICKED UP FOR QUESTIONING.

BETWEEN JANUARY AND OCTOBER THIS YEAR, MORE THAN ONE MILLION TABLETS OF MANDRAX WORTH 180 MILLION KWACHA WERE SEIZED ALONG WITH 535 KILOGRAMS OF GANNABIS AND 690 TABLETS OF DIAZEPEM.

MOREOVER, DRUG PEDDLING HAS REPORTEDLY ENGULFED SOME MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN COUNTRY INCLUDING THE UNIVERSITY TEACHING HOSPITAL.

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#90313h0050 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ANKARA (NOV. 9) XINHUA - THE U.S. TEXTILE IMPORT QUOTAS FROM TURKEY WILL INCREASE BY 50 PERCENT, "A DECISIVE STEP IN TURCO-AMERICAN TRADE," THE "TURKISH DAILY NEWS" REPORTED TODAY.

THIS WAS DECIDED FOLLOWING THE MEETING LAST WEDNESDAY BETWEEN U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER AND TURKISH PRESIDENT TURGUT OZAL IN ANKARA, STATE MINISTER MEHMET YAZAR WAS QUOTED AS SAYING.

THE U.S. TEXTILE QUOTAS INCREASE IS CONSIDERED AS A MEASURE FOR COMPENSATION FOR TURKEY'S LOSSES DUE TO THE GULF CRISIS.

IN THE FIRST EIGHT MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, TURKEY EXPORTED 234.9 MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF TEXTILES AND READY-TO-WEAR PRODUCTS TO THE U.S. THE TOTAL TEXTILE EXPORTS TO THE U.S. AMOUNTED TO 368 MILLION DOLLARS IN 1989.

WITH THE PROPOSED INCREASE IN QUOTAS, TURKISH TEXTILE EXPORTS TO THE U.S. ARE EXPECTED TO REACH 550 TO 600 MILLION DOLLARS IN 1991.

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#90313h0057 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (NOV. 9) XINHUA - TIANJIN HAS COMMENCED REPAYMENT OF DEBTS OWED TO OVERSEAS FINANCIAL ORGANIZATIONS ON SCHEDULE, PEOPLE'S DAILY REPORTED TODAY.

ACCORDING TO THE TIANJIN ADMINISTRATION OF EXCHANGE CONTROL, 94 PERCENT OF THE CITY'S LOANS ARE MEDIUM AND LONG-TERM LOANS, WHILE THE REMAINDER ARE SHORT-TERM.

THE OVERSEAS EDITION OF THE PAPER SAID THAT THE TIANJIN MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT HAS PAID CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF LOANS FROM THE TIME IT STARTED TO BORROW.

THE CITY GOVERNMENT INITIATED A UNIFIED PLAN AND HAS JOINTLY APPROVED THE USE OF FOREIGN FUNDS WITH CONCERNED DEPARTMENTS, WHILE STRICTLY LIMITING THE NUMBER OF GUARANTORS.

IN ADDITION, THE MUNICIPALITY HAS TRACED THE PACE, CHANGE AND TRENDS IN DEBT REPAYMENT IN A BID TO ENSURE THAT PAYMENTS ARE ON SCHEDULE AND TO MAINTAIN THE COUNTRY'S REPUTATION.

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#90313h0068 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (NOV. 9) XINHUA - CHINA'S SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES SAW A STEADY INCREASE IN BOTH EXPORTS AND IMPORTS IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF THIS YEAR. THEIR TOTAL TRADE VOLUME HIT 10.637 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS-WORTH, 11 PERCENT MORE THAN IN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR AND ACCOUNTING FOR 13.7 PERCENT OF CHINA'S TOTAL IMPORT AND EXPORT VOLUMES IN THAT PERIOD.

ACCORDING TO THE GENERAL ADMINISTRATION OF CUSTOMS, THE FOUR ECONOMIC ZONES EXPORTED 5.551 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS-WORTH OF GOODS, UP 21.4 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, AND IMPORTED 5.086 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS-WORTH, UP 14.7 PERCENT -- ACCOUNTING FOR 14.7 PERCENT AND 13.9 PERCENT OF CHINA'S TOTAL EXPORT AND IMPORT VOLUMES, RESPECTIVELY.

OF ALL THE SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES, SHENZHEN CONTINUES ITS LEAD IN BOTH EXPORTS AND IMPORTS. IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF THE YEAR IT EXPORTED 3.667 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS-WORTH AND IMPORTED 3.271 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS-WORTH, UP 15.9 PERCENT AND 7.5 PERCENT, RESPECTIVELY. ITS EXPORTS AND IMPORTS ACCOUNTED FOR 66.1 PERCENT AND 64.3 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL TRADE VOLUME OF THE FOUR SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES.

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#90313h0108 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
PANMUNJOM, KOREA (NOV. 9) XINHUA - REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NORTH AND SOUTH OF

KOREA HELD A THIRD SESSION IN THIS TRUCE VILLAGE TODAY TO SEEK AGREEMENT ON THEIR REPRESENTATION IN THE UNITED NATIONS.

AFTERWARDS, NORTHERN REPRESENTATIVE CHOE U JIN SAID IT WAS AGREED THAT SPECIAL RELATIONS SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED, THAT NEITHER SIDE SHOULD ENCROACH ON THE INTEREST OF THE OTHER, THAT CONSULTATIONS SHOULD TAKE PLACE FOR UNANIMOUS DECISIONS, AND THAT CO-OPERATION SHOULD BE SOUGHT FOR REUNIFICATION OF THE COUNTRY.

BUT DIFFERENCES REMAINED ON ADMISSION TO THE U.N. THE NORTH MAINTAINED THAT BOTH SIDES SHOULD JOIN UNDER ONE NAME. BUT IN A MODIFIED STAND, THE SOUTH WAS NOW SUGGESTING EITHER SEPARATE OR SIMILTANEOUS ADMISSIONS. THE TALKS ARE TO BE CONTINUED.

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#90313h0112 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 9) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINE AIRLINES (PAL) TODAY ANNOUNCED THAT IT WILL INCREASE ITS FARES AND CARGO RATES FOR INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS BY AN AVERAGE OF SEVEN PERCENT EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

THE PAL'S REQUEST TO INCREASE ITS FARES WAS APPROVED TODAY BY THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD.

THE GERNERAL AVERAGE INCREASE OF SEVEN PERCENT WAS APPLIED TO FROM THE PHILIPPINES EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

-- PASSENGER FARES -- EIGHT PERCENT FROM CANADA SIX PERCENT FROM SAUDI ARABIA, IRAN, REPUBLIC OF YEMEN.

-- CARGO RATES -- 10 PERCENT FROM MALAWI, SOUTH WEST PACIFIC, SRI LANKA, AND ZIMBABWE EIGHT PERCENT FROM ALBANIA, FRANCE, GREECE, HUNGARY, ROMANIA, TURKEY, YUGOSLAVIA AND AFRICA SIX PERCENT FROM CAMERON, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, IRAN, MOROCCO, POLAND, PORTUGAL, REPUBLIC OF YEMEN, SAUDI ARABIA AND SPAIN.

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#90313h0113 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 9) XINHUA - JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER TARO NAKAYAMA TODAY PLEDGED TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO CEMENT RELATIONS WITH VIETNAM IN THE FIELDS OF POLITICS, ECONOMY, CULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY, THE KYODO NEWS SERVICE REPORTS.

HE WAS SPEAKING DURING A MEETING WITH THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE VIETNAM NEWS AGENCY, DO PHUONG, IN TOKYO FOR THE OPENING OF THE AGENCY'S BUREAU HERE.

TOUCHING UPON HIS TALKS WITH VIETNAMESE FOREIGN MINISTER NGUYEN CO THACH IN TOKYO ON OCTOBER 27, NAKAYAMA SAID THACH URGED JAPAN TO CARRY OUT THE SO-CALLED "FUKUDA DOCTRINE", IN WHICH FORMER JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TAKEO

FUKUDA EXPRESSED HIS BELIEF IN THE IMPORTANCE OF JAPAN'S CO-OPERATION WITH SOUTHEAST ASIAN COUNTRIES.

NAKAYAMA ADDED, "WE WANT TO REALIZE THE DOCTRINE."

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#90313h0122 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (NOV. 9) XINHUA - BRAZIL'S AUTO MANUFACTURERS ARE EXPECTED TO SEE A FALL OF 9 TO 10 PERCENT IN PRODUCTION THIS YEAR IN COMPARISON WITH 1989, ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY SOURCES.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE MANUFACTURERS (ANFAVEA), JACY MENDOCA, TOLD REPORTERS TODAY THAT AT THE CURRENT PRODUCTION RATE, THE NUMBER OF CARS ASSEMBLED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY IN DECEMBER WOULD ONLY ADD UP TO 927,000 VEHICLES.

MENDOCA ESTIMATES THAT SALES THIS YEAR WILL BE ABOUT 3 PERCENT LESS THAN LAST, OR 738,000 VEHICLES.

THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF THE YEAR, HE SAID, SAW A 13.11 PERCENT FALL IN PRODUCTION AND A 10.02 REDUCTION IN DOMESTIC CAR SALES.

THE FALL IN PRODUCTION HAS BEEN MAINLY ATTRIBUTED TO A LACK OF RAW MATERIALS AND PERSISTANT WORKER STRIKES.

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#90313h0152 11/09/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIRUT (NOV. 9) XINHUA - WORKERS AT ONE OF LEBANON'S MAIN POWER PLANTS WENT ON STRIKE TODAY TO SUPPORT STRIKERS AT ANOTHER ELECTRICITY STATION IN A WORK STOPPAGE THAT IS THREATENING TO BLACK OUT MOST OF THE COUNTRY.

THE STATE-RUN LEBANESE TELEVISION REPORTED THAT WORKERS AT THE COUNTRY'S LARGEST ELECTRICITY STATION, THE ZOUQ THERMO-FACTORY, SOME 15 KILOMETERS NORTH OF THE CAPITAL OF BEIRUT, STAGED AN OPEN STRIKE TODAY IN SOLIDARITY WITH THEIR COLLEAGUES AT THE JIYEH POWER PLANT SOUTH OF BEIRUT, WHO WENT ON STRIKE THURSDAY.

THE STRIKES, TOGETHER WITH A SIX-DAY-OLD ELECTRICITY CRISIS CAUSED BY A DEPLETION OF FUEL TO FEED STATE-RUN ELECTRICITY STATIONS, ARE SERIOUSLY THREATENING TO BLACK OUT THE CAPITAL CITY AS WELL AS OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY IN THE COMING WEEK, LOCAL PRESS SAID.

ELECTRICITY SUPPLIES IN BEIRUT AND NEARBY SUBURBS HAVE BEEN CUT SINCE LAST SATURDAY WHEN THE ZOUQ PLANT, THE MAJOR POWER SUPPLIER FOR THE CAPITAL AREA, RAN OUT OF FUEL AND IMPORTED DIESEL FAILED TO ARRIVE IN TIME.

RUNNING WATER SUPPLIES HAVE ALSO BEEN STOPPED BECAUSE THERE IS NO POWER FOR PUMPS.

THE TELEVISION REPORT SAID THE STRIKERS WERE DEMANDING IMPROVED WORKING CONDITIONS AND BETTER PAY. THE JIYEH PLANT SUPPLIES CITIES, TOWNS AND VILLAGES IN SOUTHERN AND EASTERN LEBANON, WHILE THE ZOUQ PLANT PROVIDES POWER FOR THE CAPITAL AREA AND THE NORTHERN REGION.

EARLIER REPORTS SAID A 15,000-TON SHIPMENT OF FUEL HAD BEEN DELAY- ED BUT A BIGGER SHIPMENT OF 60,000 TONS WAS DUE IN BEIRUT ON SATURDAY.

NORMALLY, BEIRUT IS KEPT ALIVE BY PART TIME SUPPLIES BY STATE-RUN POWER STATIONS AS WELL AS AN ESTIMATED 200,000 PRIVATE PETROL-POWERED ELECTRICAL GENERATORS.

DURING THE PAST FEW YEARS, WATER AND ELECTRICITY SUPPLIES HAVE BEEN FREQUENTLY DISRUPTED BY FIERCE BATTLES OF THE 15-YEAR CIVIL WAR WHICH HAS DAMAGED OR DESTROYED MUCH OF THE COUNTRY'S INFRASTRUCTURE.

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#90313j0001 11/09/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

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Nightline (ABC) November 8, 1990 (Transcript #2469)

More Troops, More War Speculation: Former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and Former Secretary of the Navy James Webb discuss President Bush's announcement of the deployment of more U.S. forces to the Persian Gulf ''to ensure... an adequate offensive military option'' for the coalition against Iraq. Why such a dangerous move? Bush has put Saddam Hussein and the U.S. at loggerheads with his insistence on unconditional withdrawal; if Hussein does not withdraw, will we go to war to force him out?

Crossfire (CNN) November 8, 1990 (Transcript #178)

The War Option: Former CIA Director William Colby and military strategist Edward Luttwak discuss war as a possible option for the U.S. in the Persian Gulf.

Good Morning America (ABC) November 8, 1990 (Transcript #1149)

Jordan's refugees; conservatism at Dartmouth; Kevin Costner interview (Part 1); reversing heart disease; Ronald Reagan interview (Part 4 -- efforts toward peace with USSR); air bags; Queen Ida's jambalaya; history in comics; taxless child care and medical bills; Dom DeLuise interview.

Larry King Live (CNN) November 8, 1990 (Transcript #166)

''The Noriega Tapes'' (Manuel Noriega's attorney Frank Rubino and former federal prosecutor Mark Schnapp discuss CNN's claim to have tapes made of Noriega's telephone conversations with legal counsel); ''Penn and Teller'' (the magicians discuss their current nationwide tour and perform amazing feats).

Primetime Live (ABC) November 8, 1990 (Transcript #166)

''Detroit's Agony'' (Detroit's poverty, crime and reverse apartheid may represent the future of American cities); ''At What Cost?'' (what will happen if the U.S. goes to war in the Persian Gulf?); ''Murphy Brown'' (the anatomy of a successful TV sitcom); ''Business as Usual -- Follow-Up'' (an update on Congressional junkets).

Sally Jessy Raphael November 8, 1990 (Transcript #569)

Rock Groupies: Rock star groupies talk about their lifestyle; former groupies Angela Bowie, Pamela Des Barres and Lori Mattix discuss their experiences. Musician Greg Giuffria shares his views on groupies.

Oprah Winfrey Show November 8, 1990 (Transcript #1084)

Soap Casanovas: Drake Hogestyn of Days of Our Lives, Joe Lando of One Life to Live, Brad Lockerman of General Hospital, Ronn Moss of The Bold and the Beautiful, Nathan Purdee of The Young and the Restless and Walt Willey of All My Children -- America's favorite leading men from daytime soap operas -- share their inside stories.

Geraldo November 8, 1990 (Transcript #821)

Sex, Secrets and Society Scandals: Journalists and reporters from various entertainment shows and newspapers discuss the latest gossip involving people like the Count and Countess de La Moussaye, Madonna, Cher, Keenen Ivory Wayans and more.

Friday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Bo Jackson Sally Jessy Raphael: Mother & Daughter Strippers Geraldo: Brief Report Oprah Winfrey: The Secret Life of Patty Duke Adam Smith's Money World: The

Housing Bust 20/20: Challenger (program for family crises); Autistic Savant (Henrietta Giangini); Bugs (roach spray manufacturers). 60 Minutes: If Push Comes to Shove (ADATS missile launcher); I Thought I Was Covered (medical insurance); Traficant (Rep. Jim Traficant (D-OH)).

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#90313k0015 11/09/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 9) KYODO - NIIGATA ENGINEERING CO. SAID FRIDAY IT WILL BUY A TAIWANESE CASTING AND STEELING MAKER IN TAOYUAN, SOUTHWEST OF TAIPEI, FOR 28 MILLION TAIWAN DOLLARS (ABOUT 130 MILLION YEN).

THE PURCHASE OF YOUTH SUN STEEL INDUSTRIAL CO. WILL BE COMPLETED SHORTLY AND NIIGATA ENGINEERING WILL SET UP A NEW FIRM TO BE NAMED NIIGATA CAST STEEL (TAIWAN) LTD. IN TAIWAN WITHIN THIS MONTH.

THE FIRM WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 40 MILLION TAIWAN DOLLARS (SOME 188 MILLION YEN), OFFICIALS OF THE COMPANY SAID.

WITH AN EXPECTED PRODUCTION OF 40 TONS PER MONTH, THE FIRM WILL START INDUSTRIAL MACHINE PARTS PRODUCTION IN DECEMBER, THEY ADDED.

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#90313k0022 11/09/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 9) KYODO - ECONOMIC EXPERTS FROM JAPAN AND CHINA WILL MEET IN BEIJING ON NOVEMBER 27 FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE LAST YEAR'S TIANANMEN SQUARE INCIDENT TO DISCUSS BILATERAL ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, OFFICIALS AT THE ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY SAID FRIDAY.

THE BILATERAL ECONOMIC MEETING HAD BEEN HELD YEARLY SINCE 1980 BUT WAS CANCELED LAST YEAR DUE TO BEIJING'S BLOODY JUNE 4 CRACKDOWN ON PRODEMOCRACY DEMONSTRATORS.

THE JAPANESE REPRESENTATIVES WILL INCLUDE SHINYASU HOSHINO, DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY (EPA), WHO IS SCHEDULED TO MEET HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS SUCH AS ZOU JIAHUA, MINISTER OF THE STATE PLANNING COMMISSION, TO DISCUSS CHINA'S EIGHTH FIVE-YEAR ECONOMIC PLAN AND OTHER

MATTERS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90313k0051 11/09/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 9) KYODO - CHIYODA CORP., A MAJOR JAPANESE PLANT ENGINEERING FIRM SAID FRIDAY IT IS NEGOTIATING TO BUY A STAKE IN A CZECH GENERAL ENGINEERING COMPANY.

CHIYODA IS SEEKING A 10 TO 20 PERCENT CAPITAL STAKE IN THE CHEPOS GROUP AND HOPES TO SEND EXECUTIVES TO TAKE PART IN MANAGEMENT AS WELL.

A CHIYODA OFFICIAL SAID THE TWO COMPANIES WILL SIGN A CONTRACT AROUND JANUARY.

THE MOVE IS PART OF CHIYODA'S PLAN TO EXPAND INTO EASTERN EUROPE, HE SAID. THIS WOULD BE THE FIRST TIME THAT A JAPANESE FIRM TAKES PART IN MANAGEMENT OF AN EAST EUROPEAN COMPANY SINCE THE RECENT DEMOCRATIZATION OF THE REGION, HE ADDED.

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL, THE CHEPOS GROUP CONSISTS OF NINE COMPANIES IN FIELDS RANGING FROM HEAVY INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY TO ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION.

IT WAS PRIVATIZED IN APRIL WITH CAPITAL OF 20 MILLION KORUNAS (ABOUT 100 MILLION YEN). ITS PRIMARY BUSINESS NOW IS MACHINERY TRADING.

CHIYODA WAS INVOLVED IN JOINT PLANT PROJECTS WITH THE CZECH GROUP IN SUCH COUNTRIES AS THE SOVIET UNION AND IRAQ EVEN BEFORE CHEPOS' PRIVATIZATION, HE SAID.

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#90313k0054 11/09/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 9) KYODO - THE FINANCE MINISTRY IS CONSIDERING LOWERING RATES FOR AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE NEXT APRIL BECAUSE OF A SURPLUS IN ITS INSURANCE ACCOUNT, MINISTRY SOURCES SAID FRIDAY.

THE RATE REDUCTION, THE FIRST SINCE THE INSURANCE SYSTEM WAS INAUGURATED IN 1955, WILL BE RECOMMENDED NEXT WEEK AT A MEETING OF AN ADVISORY PANEL TO THE FINANCE MINISTER, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO DECIDE THE SCALE OF THE RATE CUT AND OTHER DETAILS BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR.

LIABILITY INSURANCE IS AN OBLIGATORY POLICY COVERING CAR OWNERS FOR DAMAGE CAUSED TO OTHER CARS OR THEIR OCCUPANTS IN ACCIDENTS. THE OWNER OF A PASSENGER CAR NOW PAYS 41,850 YEN FOR TWO YEARS' COVERAGE.

THE MINISTRY'S INSURANCE ACCOUNT HAS BEEN IN THE BLACK SINCE FISCAL 1985, MIRRORING THE BOOMING SALES OF AUTOMOBILES IN RECENT YEARS.

THE SOURCES SAID MOST MINISTRY OFFICIALS WANT A RATE CUT OF ABOUT 5 PERCENT, WHILE SOME FAVOR RAISING THE CEILING FOR COMPENSATION, THUS BRINGING DOWN THE RATES IN REAL TERMS.

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#90313k0078 11/09/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 9) KYODO - HONDA MOTOR CO. ANNOUNCED FRIDAY THAT IT IS RECALLING 56 CARS FITTED WITH DEFECTIVE AIR BAGS.

THE AIR BAGS HAVE DEFECTIVE INFLATORS PRODUCED BY THOMPSON RAMO WOOLDRIDGE OF CLEVELAND, OHIO, HONDA OFFICIALS SAID.

THE DEFECTIVE AIR BAGS WERE FOUND IN LEGEND, ACCORD INSPIRE, AND VIGOR MODELS MANUFACTURED BETWEEN OCTOBER 1988 AND JUNE 1990, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

OF THE 56 CARS, 12 WERE SOLD IN JAPAN AND THE REMAINING 44 EXPORTED TO THE U.S.

FORD MOTOR CO., WHICH HAS ALSO USED AIR BAGS WITH DEFECTIVE INFLATORS FROM THE SAME U.S. COMPANY, IS RECALLING ABOUT 3,000 CARS.

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#90313m0001 11/09/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 9) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

The LABOR DEPARTMENT says the producer price index rose 1.1% in October.

The Nikkei loses 38 points. ... The FTSE is up 6 points in afternoon trading. ... The long bond is yielding 8.70% ... The dollar is mixed. ... North Sea crude is down 70 cents to $34.10. ... Major retailers report soft sales in October. J.C. PENNEY was off 6.3% from same- store sales a year earlier, MAY was down 4.4%, THE LIMITED was down 1% and SEARS was down 0.4%. WAL-MART posted a 10% gain. ... The FEDERAL RESERVE says consumer debt rose $3 billion in September, compared to $3.1 billion in August. ... DISNEY reports a 9% increase in fourth-quarter net. ... RJR NABISCO sells its 20% stake in ESPN to HEARST for an undisclosed amount. ... Yields on 30-year TREASURY bonds fall to the lowest level in nine months, an average of 8.71% compared to 8.87% in the August 9 auction. ... FIRST INVESTORS CORP. says it is halting sales of its two junk bond funds.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

EASTERN AIRLINES is asking its bankruptcy for $30 million from an escrow fund to keep operating, maintaining that bookings are up with a new first-class marketing strategy.

FROM THE BULLS:

"The stock market is in the midst of setting an important bottom before the economy hits its trough next year," says ROBERT BRINGER, editor of "Marketimer" newsletter. "We think the Dow Jones industrial average's close of 2365 on Oct. 11 was a major bottom. We could test that again and get a new closing low. But if that happens, we're not concerned. It will just be an opportunity get stocks at cheaper prices." ("USA Today", 11/9)

"The stock market has been showing good resilience," says MICHAEL METZ, an analyst at OPPENHEIMER & CO. "I think the stock market has paid for most of the war scare. If anything, I think we are in the last phase of the impact of the Middle East crisis. I don't expect a big crack in the market. My feeling is the Dow is in a trading range between 2400 and 2500. I look for it to move considerably higher from that range, perhaps in a matter of weeks." ("Investor's Daily", 11/9)

FROM THE BEARS:

STEVE KROLL, head of SHEARSON LEHMAN ADVISORS, says he is "very bearish" on the market "because we're in a severe recession - worse than people think. Corporate earnings will be terrible." He says he is not "looking for anything apocalyptic, just lower and lower stock prices." He sees the Dow at 2200 between now and the first quarter. ("USA Today", 11/9)

STOCK MARKET:

"Historically, crisis periods have led to very good opportunities for the market," says EUGENE PERONI at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT. "I'm not sure we're at a decisive bottom just yet, but I think it's time to be shopping for stocks to be accumulating positions and dollar-cost averaging here from these levels." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/8)

"Traders should enjoy a strong rally from the long side," says ARCH CRAWFORD of the "Crawford Perspectives." Stock patterns suggest a bottom in its final stages, according to Crawford. "Downside momentum has been broken but the only uptrend is in the utilities," he says. A weak rally would take the Dow back to 2607 while a strong one would test 2757. Crawford, who considers astrological factors in his market analysis, says Dec. 2 will see the most powerful moon since the Great Crash, indicating both danger and opportunity for traders. (CNBC "World Business", 11/9)

"The stock market acted fairly well for most of the day," says DENNIS JARRETT at KIDDER, PEABODY. "It was primarily that flurry of sell programs around 3 o'clock that knocked the wind out of the bulls." ("The Washington Post", 11/9)

"The delayed press conference [by PRESIDENT BUSH] made the market nervous

beyond anything that Bush announced," says SID DORR at CHARLES SCHWAB in San Francisco. ("USA Today", 11/9)

"I didn't hear anything new" in the Bush press conference, says BRIAN TAGLER at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. He said the market pushed higher on expectation than it would have "on what we know now" that came from the press conference. (NYT, 11/9)

"This whole month of November will be focusing on what's happening militarily in the Middle East and around the world and on the oil price," says ROBERT STOVALL of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS. "I think building cash at this time makes a lot of sense." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 11/8)

"These abrupt changes in direction mean investors are confused," says STEVEN EINHORN at GOLDMAN SACHS. "They are marching to moment-to-moment things, rather than focusing on fundamentals. That's bothersome." (WSJ, 11/9)

"There's a gradual turn in earnings, not with all companies, but in the aggregate," says DAVID BOSTIAN at JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL. "Companies have been getting more lean and mean, due to global competition and in preparation for a recessionary climate, for the past year - long before the economy woke up to it." He says that could bode well for an earnings-driven stock market that has already discounted most economic bad news. ("USA Today", 11/9)

STOCK TIPS:

HEALTHCARE COMPARE CORP., a health-cost management service, is "Stock of the Week" in "Investor's Daily." The stock has more than doubled this year and has outperformed 99% of all other issues during the past 12 months. "It's more a question of their earnings momentum being exceptionally strong in an environment where very few companies can say that," says SALOMON BROTHERS INC. analyst MARGO VIGNOLA. She describes this stock as being "right for the times." ("Investor's Daily", 11/9)

Last week, 83% of insider transactions were purchases, says K. C. GRAINGER, portfolio strategist at JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL. But Grainger says almost all the buying was concentrated in American Stock Exchange and OTC issues, not in Blue Chips. Insider purchases run contrary to a lack of broader market interest in secondary stocks, says Grainger who notes that a seat on the AMEX sold for $87,000 recently after going for $500,000 three years earlier. "Secondary stocks are a great opportunity for the individual investor if you're patient," says Grainger. Some of Grainger's favorites: LAMSON & SESSIONS, DEL WEBB, and shipper OMI. (CNBC "World Business", 11/9)

"For AT&T, [a merger] would be positive if they spin off the computer operation to NCR," says FRANK GOVERNALI at FIRST BOSTON. "It's a troubled operation and it's not perfectly clear that it's a necessary thrust for AT&T. They're doing great in long-distance." NCR stock jumped 5 7/8 to 53 7/8

yesterday on a report the two were discussing combining their computer business. AT&T was off 1/2 to 33 1/8. ("USA Today", 11/9)

The "Heard on the Street" column in "The Wall Street Journal" this morning says: "Speculators say there may be light at the end of EAGLE-PICHER INDUSTRIES' tunnel of asbestos litigation - and this time, they could be right." The stock shot up to 3 1/4 this week on news that a federal judge apparently is on the verge of consolidating all claims against the company into a single class action. "The problem is, no one has been able to quantify the risk to shareholders," says ELIZABETH PEARCE at ANDERSON CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, which has purchased more than 100,000 shares of the stock. (WSJ, 11/9)

STEVE KROLL, head of SHEARSON LEHMAN ADVISORS, is very bearish on the market, but still holds RALSTON PURINA, COCA-COLA, AMERICAN BRANDS, COLGATE-PALMOLIVE and DUKE POWER for his investors. He also likes GILLETTE, UPJOHN, JOHNSON & JOHNSON and SYNTEX. Besides Duke Power, he also likes SOUTHERN CO. DETROIT EDISON, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON and DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT among the utilities. ("USA Today", 11/9)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 9) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

The dollar got help yesterday from a disclosure by PIERRE BEREGOVOY, the French economics minister, that he has asked TREASURY SECRETARY NICHOLAS BRADY for help in seeking coordinated action to prop up the dollar. "I don't think that the United States has an interest in the sustained and accentuated decline of the dollar," says Beregovoy. "The [currency] market is very nervous and is looking for any kind of intervention by the central banks," says BOB MORRISSEY at the BANK OF BOSTON's New York office. (NYT, 11/9)

"If someone had said two weeks ago that this auction would go smoothly, and that yields would come in at these levels, you would have thought they were crazy," says MICHAEL MARTINO at BACK BAY ADVISORS. "Each auction was well received - on paper the three-year was the best," says PATRICK ROTHSTEIN at MERRILL LYNCH. (WSJ, 11/9)

"The long-bond auction provides a pulse," says JAMES SOLLOWAY, economist at ARGUS RESEARCH. "If the auction goes badly, it can set the tone for the [bond] market for the next several weeks." ("USA Today", 11/9)

With foreign demand for new Treasury bonds light, one government bond dealer

says, "The Street owns this issue, but at least it was able to beat the market down before it bought the bonds." KRISTEN FOSTER at CITICORP INVESTMENT BANK says that "given the light foreign demand and the continued uncertainties about the Middle East, there seemed to be a reasonable amount of demand for the bonds." (NYT, 11/9)

It looks good for bonds, says DAVID JONES, economist for AUBREY G. LANSTON, who thinks rates at the Treasury refunding could be the highest investors see for some time. "Investors are interested because we have a recession. ... Investors want high quality, low risk securities, and they may even be moving out of bank CD's with all these jitters in the banking system." (CNN "Business Morning", 11/9)

THE ECONOMY:

While avoiding the word "recession," MICHAEL BOSKIN, chief economic adviser to PRESIDENT BUSH, says the economy "at best ... is in a lull" that is likely to last until after mid-1991. He says a new administration forecast due out next week envisions the possibility of the economy "slipping into negative territory" in the current quarter. Boskin says the "lull" will "be brief and relatively mild" and that the economy "will rebound from the temporary hit" is taking as a result of the Persian Gulf crisis. He says his "best guess" is that a pickup will come in the second half of 1991. ("The Washington Post", 11/9)

Economic growth could be down 2%-2.5% in the fourth quarter, says DAVID JONES at AUBREY G. LANSTON. "It will last longer but not be quite as deep as the 1981-82 [recession]." Unlike 1981-82 when tight money and high interest rates shocked consumers into the recession, Jones says consumers are "psychologically prepared" for this recession. "The psychology of recession becomes self-fulfilling - if people think we are in one, they begin to behave as if we are and that pushes us deeper," says Jones who looks for a "grim Christmas." (CNN "Business Morning", 11/9)

"Getting through the next six or seven months" will be tough, says WILLIAM STERLING, manager of the international economics department at MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MARKETS in New York. "It's not clear that the dollar's decline is going to come through as the man with the white hat to rescue the maiden" and keep the U.S. out of recession. ("Investor's Daily", 11/9)

"We are in a consumer recession," says WALTER LOEB at LOEB ASSOCIATES. "October really showed for the first time the consumer is strongly pulling back." ("USA Today", 11/9)

KURT BERNARD, publisher of "Barnard's Retail Marketing Report," says yesterday's retail sales figures represented "a poor performance, but [were] not unexpected in the light of economic and political uncertainties. We are going to see a very frugal shopping population." ("The Washington Post", 11/9)

"We're seeing a steady decrease in consumer credit, which is logical considering the circumstances that people are facing, including fears about losing their jobs," says JEAN SUNDRIA, an economist with EVANS ECONOMICS INC. in Washington. "Now is the time for people to be paying off their credit-card balances rather than increasing them." ("Investor's Daily", 11/9)

"I'm expecting a very frosty Christmas [for retailers]," says JANET MANGANO, retail analyst at JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL. "The overwhelming reason for that is the economy, which is very weak, and I think the consumer has turned extremely cautious." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/8)

THOMAS TASHJIAN of SEIDLER AMDEC SECURITIES says Christmas shoppers probably will "be going in and buying the same number of items, but they're not going to pay as much. They're not going to buy $100 electronic toys for their kids." (NYT, 11/9)

"The best opportunities for American companies and the American economy are going to be outside U.S. borders between now and 1995," says JERRY JASINOWSKI, president of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS. In a report released yesterday, the association said a survey of 120 of its members showed that two-thirds believe the lower exchange rate will help them increase their exports. Many expect exports to increase by 8% this year and double from 10% of sales to 20% by the end of 1993. ("Investor's Daily", 11/9)

IN WASHINGTON:

"One has to say that the probability of using force [in the Middle East] has risen," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "The 5 determination of the United States and the Saudis to move militarily seems to have increased. ... If it hasn't increased, they are really pulling a kind of hoax on the world that politicians can't afford to pull. ... If Bush wishy-washes on Iraq, he can do anything he wants between now and the next election and he will lose. I know politicians change often and public opinion changes often, but this one is real serious and he can't fool around on this one. It's either going to be unconditional withdrawal and restoration of the Kuwaiti government or it's war." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 11/8)

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#90313p5096 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST ALLIS, WIS. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Fans who know Jose Canseco and Robin Yount now have a chance to learn about Forrest Wood and Cliff Craft -- emerging stars in a different sport.

HM Graphics Inc, a West Allis-based printer, today said it is offering fishing enthusiasts a chance to collect something new with the premiere printing of "Big League Bass Cards," a set of 60 baseball- type cards depicting America's

star bass fishermen and their catches.

Kevin Sandstrom, executive vice-president of HM Graphics Inc, said each package contains 10 cards showing top bass fishermen from around the country. Their "stats" are printed on the back of the card, including information such as recent bass fishing tournament performances, career highlights and personal data, he said.

"This is the third type of collector card we've printed," Sandstrom said. "We hit a home run with senior league baseball and umpire cards, and now we're fortunate to be involved with 'Big League Bass Cards.'

"We're well-known for our ability to take on complex printing assignments, including multi-color advertising pieces and other custom design projects. Printing the collector cards is just one of the many things we do at HM Graphics."

Sandstrom said some of the following fishermen are featured in the 1990 set:

-- Shaw E. Grigsby, Jr., a Gainesville, Fla., angler who won the 1990 Texas Invitational Tournament. His card says he's a sight fishing/tube jig master, and his wife Polly's wedding ring is inscribed "C.A.B.O." (Catch A Big One)!

-- O.T. Fears III, from Sallisaw, Okla. His stats indicate he's earned more than $200,000 in career fishing tournament winnings, and he enjoys training bird dogs.

-- Guy Eaker, Sr., who makes his home in Cherryville, N.C. He's been on the professional bass fishing circuit for 10 years and is now competing against his son, Guy Eaker, Jr.

Sandstrom noted that while outdoor enthusiasts might purchase a pack or two to look for a favorite star, "true collectors will want the full set of 60." The 1990 Collector's Edition includes six sets of 10 packages for the suggested retail price of $13.99.

Sandstrom said HM Graphics Inc already has printed well over a million bass cards, and the future looks bright for many more.

"The idea for the cards came from Michael Jones, a California fisherman," he said. "Another set showing bass fishermen -- and women -- is planned for next year."

"Big League Bass Cards" are available through mail order and sporting good outlets throughout the country, he said. They are distributed by the Kalin Company of Brawley, Calif.

"The cards have appeared in USA Today, Outdoor Magazine, and on 'The CBS

Morning News,'" said Sandstrom. "The number of bass fishermen out there is amazing, and the cards are becoming quite popular."

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#90313p5104 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, FLA. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Goldfield Corporation (AMEX: GV) announced today net income of $1,238,990 ($.04 per share) for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net income of $1,946,352 ($.07 per share) for the like period in 1989. Total revenue for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $12,342,537, compared to $13,608,159 for the like period in 1989. Net income of $253,305 ($.01 per share) was reported for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $565,993 ($.02 per share) for the like period in 1989. Total revenue for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $3,518,431, compared to $4,251,543 for the like period in 1989.

Goldfield's mining operations had higher operating profits during the nine and three month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 than the like 1989 period, as income from the Getchell gold and Harlan coal royalties and deliveries of concentrates from St. Cloud Mining Company's Midnight mine more than offset the reduced income resulting from the conclusion of St. Cloud's joint venture with Cyprus Metals Company.

In the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the mining operations had revenue of $4,284,236 and an operating profit of $2,106,613, compared to $5,799,352 and $1,739,199 respectively, for the like period in 1989. For the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 mining revenue was $1,017,085 and an operating profit of $445,603, compared to $1,300,033 and $226,224 respectively for the like three month period in 1989. Operating profits included mining royalties of $1,296,488 and $399,231 for the nine and three month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 respectively. No royalty income was recognized during the 1989 periods as these royalties were repurchased in December 1989.

Southeast Power Corporation, the company's electrical construction subsidiary, in the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 had contract revenue of $6,565,339 and an operating profit of $457,463, compared to $7,690,745 and $1,275,917 respectively, for the like period in 1989. For the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, contract revenue was $2,045,634 and operating profit was $218,305, compared to $2,904,875 and $673,572 respectively, for the like three month period in 1989. The 1990 operating profit was lower due primarily to decreased sales, lower gross margins and increased expenses primarily attributable to workers' compensation and group health insurance.

Goldfield is engaged in the business of mining base and precious metals and

electrical construction. It also owns royalty interests in gold and coal properties.

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#90313p5122 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Zoom Telephonics, Inc. (NASDAQ: ZOOM) today announced sharply higher sales and income for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

Zoom Telephonics, Inc.

Quarter 3 to Sept. 30 (U.S. $)	1990	1989
Sales	$3,667,744	$1,974,248
Operating Income	715,634	327,945
Net Income	430,630	273,409
Share Earnings	.08	.05

Nine months to Sept. 30	1990	1989
Sales	$8,965,779	5,691,051
Operating Income	1,608,264	941,574
Net Income	1,016,829	779,763
Share Earnings	.19	.15

The sales rise was due primarily to expansion of the company's modem product line and distribution, and to increased advertising.

Zoom specializes in modems for personal computers, the fastest growing portion of the modem market. The company is the largest manufacturer of Sendfax modems, which are data modems that can also send a fax from a personal computer directly to a fax machine, and is the largest manufacturer of modems for the Macintosh.

In August Zoom began shipping a modem with the new V.42bis and V.42 international standards for hardware data compression and error- correction, to provide error-free data transmission at up to four times the speed of a normal 2400 baud modem. The modem provides approximately 50 percent higher throughput than modems using the currently popular Microcom Networking Protocol level 5 (MNP5), which Zoom's modem also supports. At $300 retail, this modem provides a significant price/ performance advantage over currently available products.

In the first quarter of 1991 Zoom expects to begin shipping modems that can receive faxes as well as send them, and can store and synthesize voice for voice mail and voice information delivery. The company also expects to begin shipping V.32 9600 baud modems with V.42bis compression in March 1991, for

computer users requiring very high data throughput. Zoom's goal is to be the leader in modems with fax, and to provide a product with high performance per dollar for every high-volume segment of the modem market. Zoom expects to realize this goal in 1991.

During the third quarter Zoom began shipping Sendfax modems to Egghead, a large national computer products retailer. Zoom also received Canadian telecommunications and safety approvals for its five highest volume modems, and began generating substantial revenues from Canadian sales.

Zoom is on target in 1990 for its fourth consecutive year of sales growth over 50 percent, and anticipates comparable growth in 1991. Zoom's ratio of current assets to current liabilities is 3.5, and it has no debt.

Zoom's headquarters and operations have been located in Boston since its incorporation in 1977. NASDAQ trading commenced on Sept. 27, 1990.

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#90313p5123 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDMONTON ALBERTA (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Dreco Energy Services Ltd. (NASDAQ-NMS: DREAF), of Edmonton, announced today that it has received a contract valued at approximately US $14.5 million for the supply of drilling equipment to Sphere Supply, Inc., a subsidiary of Santa Fe Drilling Co.

The company's Class A common shares trade on the NASDAQ National Market System and on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol DRE.A.

Dreco Energy Services Ltd. designs, manufactures, markets and leases drilling equipment, machinery, and drilling tools used in the drilling and servicing of oil and gas wells, worldwide.

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#90313p5128 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OHIO (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Nord Resources Corporation (NYSE: NRD) anticipates that its results of operations for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, expected to be released on Nov. 13, will reflect sales of approximately $26 million and a net loss per common share in the range of $(.05) to $(.10), as compared to sales of approximately $22 million and net earnings per common share of $.23 in the same period of 1989. Dr. Edgar F. Cruft, president and chairman of Nord, stated, "The loss for the third quarter results primarily from the costs of developing, testing and marketing Nord's new product,

Norplex(TM), which continues to significantly impact Nord's earnings. Also, the rutile operation realized lower earnings for the quarter due to higher production costs."

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#90313p5130 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVILLE, NJ (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Reflecting continued growth in its business, Encore! Productions and Entertainment has relocated its offices to a larger facility.

The business media firm is now located in Suite No. 214 at 3155 Route 10 East, Denville, N.J., 07834-9723. The phone number remains 201-428-1188.

"Our new offices, in addition to providing us with more space, also includes state-of-the-art projection and viewing rooms," said Executive Vice President Mark D. Antonacci in announcing the move.

Established in 1986, Encore! Productions specializes in the creation of audio-visual, video and multi-media presentations for corporate meetings as well as the design, production and execution of training programs and corporate image events.

Encore! Productions has produced meetings or events for clients such as Bristol-Meyers/Squibb, Sony of America, Pfizer Pharmaceuticals, AT&T, Volvo Cars of North America and Guardian Life Insurance Co.

Earlier this year, the firm launched its new entertainment division, which offers a full spectrum of entertainment services to corporations and individuals for business or social affairs, ranging from live music for small gatherings to complete theme decor events.

The latter includes the design and execution of three-dimensional, larger-than-life theme decor tied together with music and live entertainment.

Recently the firm began offering public relations services to its clients as an outgrowth of its expertise in corporate image events.

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#90313p5132 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SECAUCUS, NJ (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Brandon Systems Corporation (NASDAQ: BRDN) announced today that the board of directors has reviewed the depressed

market price for the company's stock, and has allocated the sum of up to $2 million for repurchase of its own shares, as a value purchase. The officers of the company have been authorized to make purchases from time-to-time, as market conditions warrant.

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#90313p5135 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CALIF. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Clothestime Inc. (NASDAQ: CTME) today announced sales for the four weeks of October ending Oct. 27, 1990.

Sales for the four weeks of October 1990, were $13.3 million, a 10 percent increase compared with $12.0 million in the same period last year. Comparable store sales for the four weeks declined 2 percent.

Sales for the first nine months of Fiscal 1990 were $152.3 million, a 7 percent increase compared with $142.0 million for the same period last year. Comparable store sales for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 declined 1 percent.

The Clothestime Inc. operates 376 women's apparel stores in 15 states, offering primarily in-season, moderately-priced sportswear, dresses and accessories, emphasizing brand names at a substantial discount from the more upscale department and specialty stores.

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#90313p5138 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, B.C. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Granges Inc. (AMEX: GXL) today reported net earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $1,750,000 or $0.05 per share compared to a loss of $7,868,000 or $0.23 per share in the third quarter of 1989 (all amounts are in Canadian dollars). Net earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $2,482,000 or $0.07 per share compared to a loss in the same period of 1989 of $8,289,000 or $0.30 per share.

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Consolidated production:				
Gold production (ounces)	28,285	29,013	73,428	76,364
Copper production (000's lbs)	1,515	2,135	5,159	5,914

Zinc production (000's lbs)	5,830	4,036	16,787	13,488

Consolidated production includes all production from the Crofoot/Lewis mine and the company's proportionate share of production from joint venture mines.

Settlement was reached in September on the action commenced by the company's co-venturer Abermin Corporation in relation to the Tartan mine joint venture and related litigation costs have ceased.

During a rally in gold prices in September, the company undertook a forward sales program and at Sept. 30, 1990, had 80,000 ounces of gold forward sold through the period to December 1992 at an average price of US$425 per ounce.

Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 Sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $17,349,000 compared to $18,416,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The decrease was largely due to the reduction in gold production following the Tartan mine suspension in November 1989, and lower copper production at the Trout Lake mine. These factors were offset in part by increased gold production from the Crofoot/Lewis mine and increased zinc production from the Trout Lake mine.

Earnings from mining operations were $3,324,000 in the third quarter of 1990 compared to $2,519,000 in the same period in 1989. In addition to the sales factors discussed above, the reduced cost of sales from the suspension of the Tartan mine in 1989 was a major contributor to the increased earnings from mining operations.

Granges Inc. is active in exploring, acquiring, developing and operating mineral properties in North America. Its shares are listed on the Toronto, American and London stock exchanges.

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#90313p5139 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank South Corp. (NASDAQ: BKSO) announced today that regulatory approval has been finalized and definitive agreements signed to merge the name, business and operations of Lex Jolley & Co. Inc. into a wholly owned subsidiary, BSM Securities Co.

The acquisition, terms of which were not disclosed, will provide a major presence for Bank South in the underwriting of municipal bond issues and other investment banking activities in the Southeast. Over the past six-and-a-half years, Lex Jolley & Co. Inc. has been the leading provider of investment banking services to Georgia cities and counties and has participated in more than 200 public finance transactions totaling $6.3 billion.

"Lex Jolley & Co. is an outstanding company with proven expertise that will dramatically expand our capabilities in the non-interest income producing field of municipal and corporate finance," said Robert P. Guyton, chairman and chief executive officer of Bank South. "We look forward to building a reputation through BSM Securities Co. as the premier investment banking firm in the Southeast."

Guyton added that strengthening Bank South's public and corporate finance activities would also benefit other lines of business, such as trust, corporate and government banking. Additionally, he noted the potential for further expansion of underwriting activities through BSM Securities Co. if government deregulation of banking continues as anticipated.

Said Gordon K. Mortin, former president of Lex Jolley & Co. and new president of BSM Securities Co.: "We are very pleased and excited to have this transaction completed and to be part of the high-quality Bank South organization. The resources Bank South can provide in the form of capital, banking franchise, municipal sales and trading staff will allow us to expand more aggressively throughout Georgia, Florida and the Southeast."

Following a lengthy career in public finance, Lex Jolley formed Lex Jolley & Co. Inc. in 1964. Mr. Jolley served as chairman of Lex Jolley & Co. Inc. and is the new chairman of BSM Securities Co. Other officers and staff formerly with Lex Jolley and now with BSM Securities Co. include Malinda J. Mortin, Ed Wall, Steve Morris, Darlene Roberts, Carol Sweckard and Kathy Mills.

Atlanta-based Bank South is a $5.3 billion, multi-bank holding company with 140 offices throughout Georgia and the Florida panhandle. Bank South stock is traded on the NASDAQ exchange under the symbol BKSO.

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#90313p5141 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Comcast Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: CMCSA, CMCSK) today reported results for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company announced that revenues and operating cash flow for the period continued to grow at a strong pace.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $165,820,000, an increase of 18 percent over the revenues of $141,083,000 for the same period in 1989. The company reported operating cash flow of $68,214,000 as compared to $55,555,000 for the prior year, representing an increase of 23 percent. Comcast recorded a net loss of $45,138,000 or $.40 per share, as compared to a net loss of $26,496,000 for the prior year, or $.24 per share.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $484,820,000, an increase of 20 percent over the revenues of $404,760,000 for the same period in 1989. The company reported operating cash flow of $201,467,000 as compared to $159,868,000 for the prior year, representing an increase of 26 percent. Comcast recorded a net loss of $132,874,000, or $1.18 per share, as compared to a net loss of $98,245,000 for the prior year, or $.93 per share.

These previously anticipated losses are due primarily to financing costs and non-cash charges for depreciation and amortization associated with the company's prior acquisitions. Also included is the company's proportionate share of losses associated with its ownership of 50 percent of Storer Communications Inc.

Brian L. Roberts, president of Comcast, stated: "We are pleased with our record third quarter results, which continue to demonstrate the vitality of our internal operations. In addition, we remain confident and optimistic about the long term prospects for the cable television and cellular telephone industries."

Comcast Corp. is principally engaged in the development and operation of cable communications systems. The company's consolidated and affiliated operations served more than 2,406,000 subscribers at Sept. 30, 1990. This included 787,000 subscribers representing 50 percent of the total subscribers served by Storer Communications Inc.

Neither the results of operations or financial condition of the Storer systems are included in the company's consolidated financial statements. In addition, the company provides cellular telephone communications services, installs commercial sound systems and owns the largest independent network of background music systems operating under the Muzak name.

The Class A and Class A Special common stock are traded in the Over-the-Counter market and are reported in the National Market List under the NASDAQ symbols CMCSA and CMCSK, respectively.

COMCAST CORP. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share data)

	Three Months		Nine Months	
Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Service income	$165,820	$141,083	$484,820	$404,760
Cost and expenses	97,606	85,528	283,353	244,892
Operating cash flow	68,214	55,555	201,467	159,868
Depreciation and amortization	39,047	33,609	119,456	95,987
Interest expense, net	56,037	23,554	158,297	110,814
Equity in loss of affiliates	19,525	16,151	60,304	45,432
Minority interest	451	317	1,446	660

Total	115,060	73,631	339,503	252,893
Loss before income taxes	(46,846)	(18,076)	(138,036)	(93,025)
Income taxes (benefit)	(1,708)	8,420	(5,162)	5,220
Net loss	($45,138)	($26,496)	($132,874)	($98,245)
Loss per share (A)	($.40)	($.24)	($1.18)	($.93)
Average number of shares (A)	112,910	111,822	112,863	105,533
Dividends declared per share (A)	$.03	$.027	$.09	$.073

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (Unaudited; in thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Current assets	$249,737	$314,037
Investments, principally in affiliates	894,389	913,315
Property and equipment, net	516,857	506,111
Deferred charges	795,233	849,265
Total assets	2,456,216	2,582,728
Current liabilities	176,496	157,241
Long-term debt, less current portion	2,211,974	2,208,035
Deferred income taxes and other	42,445	49,407
Stockholders' equity	25,301	168,045
Total liabilities & stockholders' equity	2,456,216	2,582,728

(A) - All share and per-share data have been retroactively adjusted to reflect the 3-for-2 stock split in the form of a 50 percent stock dividend effective Oct. 24, 1989.

CONTACT: John R. Alchin, (215) 981-7503, or Marolyn L. Bailey, (215) 981-7550, both of Comcast.

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CHANTILLY, VA. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Banner Industries, Inc. (NYSE: BNR), announced today that it plans to make an offer to repurchase its junior subordinated debentures, due 2007, and that the board of directors has authorized the repurchase of 1,000,000 shares of its common stock.

The debentures, which bear interest at a rate of 13 percent, have an outstanding balance of approximately $59,500,000. Banner plans to offer debenture holders $700 for each $1,000 principal amount of the issue, payable one-third in cash and the balance in a new secured note. Banner has executed an agreement with a holder of $29,750,000, or approximately 50.01 percent, of the outstanding debentures, whereby such holder will sell its debentures to Banner under the proposed terms. The offer will be conditioned on the holders of the debentures agreeing to delete certain restrictive covenants of the

debentures relating to, among other things, dividend payments and stock repurchases. Banner said it expects to file materials shortly with the Securities and Exchange Commission regarding the proposed offer.

Additionally, Banner's board of directors has authorized the repurchase of 1,000,000 shares, or 8.9 percent, of its outstanding Class A common stock. The repurchases will be made from time to time, subject to corporate objectives and at the discretion of management, on the open market.

"We believe that Banner's stock represents an attractive investment, especially at current market prices. Additionally, buybacks tend to have the effect of increasing earnings per share and book value per share, which is consistent with our commitment to enhance shareholder value," said Jeffrey J. Steiner, chairman and chief executive officer.

Banner Industries, Inc., is a leading supplier of aerospace and industrial products and communications services.

CONTACT: Deborah Tucker of Banner Industries, 703-478-5856; or Edward Nebb or Jaideep Khanna of Morgen-Walke Associates, 212-986-5900, for Banner

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#90313p5145 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - JAM, Inc. (NASDAQ: JAMY), a Rochester-based training and multi-media communications company, has announced its unaudited operating results for the third quarter of 1990.

Net earnings for the third quarter were $20,811 as compared to a net loss of $167,762 for the corresponding quarter in 1989. Sales for the third quarter of 1990 totaled $494,654, an increase of $119,281, or 32 percent, over sales of $375,373 for the corresponding quarter a year ago.

Net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to $24,025 as compared to a net loss of $494,211 for the same nine-month period of 1989. Sales for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $1,628,504, an increase of $337,481, or 26 percent, over sales of $1,291,023 for the same 1989 period.

Company performance continued to improve in the third quarter of 1990 due to the 32 percent increase in revenues over the respective period of 1989. Operating expenses continued to decline in the third quarter as a result of expense reductions begun in the fourth quarter of 1989.

JAM designs and produces a diverse range of training and multi-media communications services for business, government, and educational clients. These services include instructional design and training program development, software design and programming for computer-based instruction and interactive simulations and video production and post production. The company also

integrates and markets computer and video hardware systems for turnkey interactive CBT and videodisc instructional delivery.

The company recently introduced a new Direct Video Marketing service for businesses wishing to advertise or distribute information to targeted audiences. JAM designs, produces, packages and distributes these videotaped programs as a single contract source. Corporate offices and video studios are located at 300 Main St., East Rochester, N.Y.

CONTACT: John A. Marszalek, president of JAM, Inc., (716) 385-6740.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corp. (NASDAQ: MCIC) will help some Atlanta area families celebrate Veteran's Day by offering free phone calls to loved ones serving in Dharan, Saudi Arabia, with the U.S. Army's 433rd Chemical Detachment.

Families with soldiers in the Chamblee-based military unit are getting together this weekend at Stone Mountain Park for a special holiday picnic. "Many of these families haven't talked to their loved ones in Saudi Arabia since the 433rd was dispatched back in September," said Major Judy Pruitt. "This will be one Veteran's Day they won't forget."

The calls will be made at 11 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 10, in the Lee Room at the Stone Mountain Inn.

"The stand-off with Iraq has put long distances between soldiers and their families," said Douglas L. Maine, president of MCI Southeast. "We're glad we can help bring a few of them together via telephone during this difficult and dangerous time in the Persian Gulf."

CONTACT: Steve Fox, 404-668-6056 or Paul Sims, 404-668-6927, both of MCI Southeast

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#90313p5147 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARUBA, DUTCH CARIBBEAN (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Divi Hotels N.V. (AMEX: DVH) announced today that its exchange offer on its two outstanding issues of debt securities will be extended until midnight, EST, on Dec. 7, 1990.

The exchange offer was initiated on April 27, 1990, and is being made to security holders qualified to participate in a private placement regarding Divi's $60 million of 14-1/2 percent senior debentures due 1998 and $50 million of 12-3/4 percent subordinated notes due 1996. It was originally scheduled to expire at midnight, EDT, on May 24, 1990, and was periodically

extended until midnight, EST, on Nov. 9, 1990.

The terms and conditions of the exchange offer otherwise remain unchanged.

Through Nov. 9, 1990, only a nominal amount of the outstanding debt securities covered by the exchange offer had been validly tendered. The company is continuing negotiations with a committee of the holders of the two issues of debt securities to reach agreement with the committee as to revised terms for the exchange offer.

CONTACT: Kevin E. Roberts, CFO, or William L. Reed, director of finance of Divi Hotels Marketing, 607-277-3484

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#90313p5149 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK FOREST, IL (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Interlake Packaging Corporation plans to combine its two plastics groups into one. The new organization will be called InterPower Packaging Corporation. Robert Pedersen, Interlake Packaging president, said InterPower would result from combining the U.S. plastics portion of Interlake Packaging Corporation and Power Strap, Inc. of Cleveland, Ohio. Interlake purchased an 80 percent share of Power Strap in 1989. Completion of the proposed integration is subject to satisfaction of various conditions.

The new InterPower Packaging Corporation would continue to emphasize high quality plastic strapping equipment for the general packaging market and engineered systems for the newspaper, graphics, corrugated, fiber, can, brick and lumber industries. Systems and equipment would be marketed directly to customers and through the existing distributor network. The technological strengths of each group would be expanded to support new products for their respective markets.

Peter Power, founder of Power Strap, would become president and CEO of InterPower Packaging Corporation. Alan Gerrard would continue as president of the Power Strap Systems Group, which would remain in Cleveland. Tom Gould, an Interlake veteran with over 20 years experience, would be vice president of sales and marketing. Frank ten Brink would serve as vice president of finance and administration.

"With Peter Power running both organizations under one common direction, the combined groups would realize economies of scale," Pedersen said. "We'll be better equipped to give our plastic machine and strap customers the highest quality equipment, strap and service available in North America."

CONTACT: Tom Gould of Interlake Packaging Corp., 708-535-3100

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#90313p5151 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Banco Comercial Portugues, Portugal's leading private commercial bank and the country's largest quoted company, yesterday announced that its public bid offer for control of CISF, the country's second largest merchant banking group, has been successful.

Through this offer, which was formally announced on Sept. 26 and was achieved yesterday in the Oporto Stock Exchange, BCP increased its stake in CISF to 51.1 percent, paying Esc 2,350 per share.

BCP's offer was subject to acceptances on behalf of 4,349 million shares of CISF. In the event, the number of shares offered for sale reached 6,349 million, and consequently BCP will accept 68.5 percent of these under proportional allotments. In the first major bid offer in the Portuguese capital markets, the bank will pay Esc 10.22 billion ($77 million).

Commenting on the share offer, Jardim Goncalves, chairman and CEO of the bank, said, "The integration of CISF within the BCP Group will allow us to gain two or three years in developing merchant banking expertise and market share. CISF is a particularly sound and innovative company and we look forward to expanding its activities by exploiting synergies accruing from our complementary businesses. The market's favorable response to our offer was a result of our strategy and performance, and our views of further expansion."

CONTACT: Matthew J. Harrington of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for Banco Comercial Portugues

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#90313p5153 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOCA RATON, FL (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald Cronin, chief financial officer of Hemodynamics Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HMDY) announced an investment group headed by Irwin Schneider of New York acquired 1,500,000 shares of the company's common stock for $225,000.

Eugene Brown has relinquished his position as chairman of the board and Schneider has been appointed chairman and chief executive officer of the company.

Hemodynamics is engaged in the business of manufacturing and distributing medical devices utilizing light reflection rheography to diagnose venous abnormalities and deep vein thrombosis.

CONTACT: Donald Cronin, chief financial officer of Hemodynamics, (407) 994-4700.

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#90313p5155 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Strober Organization, Inc. (NASDAQ: STRB) announced today the settlement of its litigation under insurance policies on the life of the company's former chairman, Eric D. Strober.

The settlement will result in the payment to the company of $11,264,000, of which $2,816,000 is to be retained by the company and used for corporate purposes, and the balance used to repurchase, as required by a pre-existing agreement, 983,635 shares of the company's common stock from Mr. Strober's estate, with the consequence that the company's outstanding common stock has been reduced from 6,076,000 to 5,092,000 shares.

Insurance proceeds collected by executives and former executives of the company have been used to purchase additional shares from the estate, so that management of the company now holds an aggregate of 2,408,000 shares (or 47 percent) of the company's currently outstanding stock.

The company also reported agreement in principle to extend the company's $5 million of subordinated indebtedness owing to the sellers in respect of the company's 1988 acquisition of The General Building Supply Company.

Under such extension, the maturity date of the company's subordinated debt will be extended from January 1991 to January 1994, with an initial principal payment in the amount of $1,425,000 and additional amortization of principal to the extent of one-third of the company's positive cash flow during 1991 and 1992.

The interest rate on such indebtedness will be increased to 10 percent per annum, of which 8 percent will be paid in cash and 2 percent accrued. The extension is conditioned upon, among other things, bank approval and negotiation of definitive agreements.

In addition, the company announced that it had been recently granted summary judgment dismissing the litigation brought by Jay Kranitz, a former officer and director of the company, with respect to agreements entered into by Kranitz under which he made restitution payments to the company in connection with violations by him of company policies at one of its building supply centers. The 30 day period to appeal this decision has not yet expired.

The company also reported results of the third quarter and nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the third quarter, the company reported a net loss of $355,000 or 6 cents per share on net sales of $27,880,000 compared to net income of $144,000 or 2 cents per share on net sales of $34,425,000 for the same period last year.

Net loss for the nine months was $1,911,000 or 32 cents per share on net sales of $82,395,000 compared to net income of $497,000 or 8 cents per share on

sales of $97,974,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

The sales decrease of 19 percent in the third quarter and 16 percent in the first nine months of 1990 was primarily due to a continuing decline in construction activity in the company's marketing area and also reduced sales volume due to the closing of the West Haven, Conn. center.

Reduced expenses resulting from the closing of the West Haven center and reductions in employee costs resulted in a decrease of selling, general and administrative expenses of $748,000 in the third quarter and $1,615,000 in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to the same periods of 1989.

Litigation expenses relating to insurance claims totaled $72,000 in the third quarter and $477,000 for the first nine months of 1990 as compared to $171,000 and $313,000 in the same periods of 1989.

Interest expense decreased $106,000 and $244,000 respectively for the third quarter and nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to the same periods in 1989. The decrease is primarily attributable to lower bank loan balances during the 1990 periods.

THE STROBER ORGANIZATION, INC.
(Unaudited, in thousands except per share)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$27,880	$34,425	$82,395	$97,974
Net income (loss)	(335)	144	(1,911)	497
Net income per share	($.06)	$.02	($.32)	$.08
Wtd. avg. number of shares outstanding	6,063	6,063	6,063	6,087

Gary Kulick, president of the company, said that, "I am delighted to report settlement of the company's insurance litigation, and agreement in principle to extend our subordinated indebtedness. As a result of the insurance litigation settlement, our stockholders will see the benefit of a 16 percent reduction in our outstanding common stock, and the receipt by the company of $2,816,000 in cash.

"Management's already significant commitment to the long-term strength of the company will be further enhanced by its increased equity stake in Strober. The extension of our subordinated debt increases our working capital and improves the company's liquidity."

The company is a leading supplier of building materials to professional contractors from 11 centers in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut.

CONTACT: David Polishook of Strober, (718) 875-9700.

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#90313p5156 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (NYSE: CVX) is expanding the leaf recycling center located at its Lake Shore Power Plant, 6800 S. Marginal Rd., Cleveland, to accommodate leaves from the city of Cleveland.

CEI provided nearly seven acres of land for the leaf recycling center in 1989 to help Northeast Ohio battle the growing waste disposal problem. To handle the increased volume from Cleveland, the company now is providing an additional 1.5 acres. The Greater Cleveland Ecology Association (GCEC) manages the site and composts the leaves for a 24-month period before selling them as garden mulch and soil conditioner.

The city of Cleveland plans on depositing leaves from about 35,000 households at the site this year. That amounts to approximately 30,000 cubic yards. The first truckload arrived late in October.

Gary Greben, CEI vice president of transmission and distribution engineering and services, says this leaf recycling center will help many Northeast Ohio communities meet stringent new waste disposal laws.

"America faces a serious problem as existing landfills across the nation near capacity," Greben says. "To reduce the volume of waste sent to these sites, municipalities will be required to recycle all grass clippings, tree trimmings and leaves by 1993. We're pleased the city of Cleveland has joined other communities in fighting the waste disposal problem and improving the quality of our environment."

Northeast Ohio communities, which are members of GCEA, can dispose of leaves at the Lake Shore recycling center free of charge, but they must provide heavy equipment needed to aerate the leaves periodically and maintain the site. Cleveland Heights was the first community to participate in this recycling program, disposing of some 15,000 cubic yards of leaves at the center in 1989. Other communities are expected to use the center in the future.

The recycling center also benefits CEI customers. "CEI must dispose of about 200 tons of woodchips annually from our tree trimming activities," Greben says. "We plan on mixing these woodchips with the leaves at the recycling center. By doing so, we will save about $12,000 annually. We're also investigating the possibility of recycling our wooden cable spools, pallets and even utility poles in the future, which would mean further savings for CEI customers."

The Greater Cleveland Ecology Association operates four other leaf recycling centers in the Cleveland area. The first center, located in Warrensville, opened in 1981.

CONTACT: Todd M. Schneider of Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, 216-479-4905, or 216-623-1060 after hours

-30- 2862

#90313p5157 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Campeau Corporation today announced that Paul D. Campbell, president, Campeau Canada, has accepted an offer to become the president and chief executive officer of Trilea Centres, Inc., a major Canadian real estate developer. As a result, Campbell is resigning from Campeau Corporation effective Jan. 6, 1991.

In announcing Campbell's planned departure from Campeau, Stanley H. Hartt, the corporation's chief executive officer and president, said, "Mr. Campbell has made a substantial contribution to Campeau Corporation during a very difficult period in its history. We very much regret that he is leaving us, however, we are pleased that he has been offered the opportunity to become the president and CEO of Trilea and wish him well in his future endeavors."

CONTACT: Richard W. Wertheim of Wertheim Howe & Company Inc., 416-594-1600 or (home) 416-276-6612, for Campeau

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#90313p5158 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SARASOTA, FL (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Salvatori Ophthalmics (NASDAQ: EYES) today announced its second consecutive quarterly profit for 1990 with net income of $35,146 on sales of $1,576,877 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to net income of $107,999 on sales of $1,578,332 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net income for the nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 were $41,357 and $46,762, respectively. Net income for the 1990 nine month period includes the effect of a $38,000 inventory write-down that the company charged to operations during the second quarter. Sales for the first nine months of 1990 and 1989 were $4,430,282 and $3,810,493, respectively.

Sales of RGP (rigid gas permeable) lenses for the third quarter of 1990 increased 3 percent to $982,000 compared to sales of $954,000 for the same period in 1989. The increase in sales was attributed to the third quarter launch of a new RGP lens, the Boston(R) Envision(R) contact lens. The Boston(R) Envision(R) lens is manufactured under a license with Polymer Technology Corporation, a division of Bausch & Lomb.

Sales of soft lenses and solutions for the third quarter of 1990 declined 5 percent to $595,000 compared to sales of $624,000 for the same period in 1989. Management believes that the moderate decline in soft contact lens sales

experienced by the company has been less severe than the decline experienced by the industry as a whole in the United States.

Industry information available to the company indicates that sales of soft contact lenses declined by 8 percent to 10 percent for the first six months of 1990 compared to 1989.

Sales of RGP lenses for the first nine months of 1990 as compared to 1989 increased by 18 percent to $2,772,000 from $2,353,000. The increase resulted primarily from the acquisition in March 1989 of Salvatori's RGP manufacturing and sales division in Lincoln, Neb. The acquisition of the Lincoln division more than doubled Salvatori's manufacturing capacity and sales of RGP lenses.

Sales of soft lenses and solutions for the first nine months of 1990 as compared to 1989 increased by 14 percent to $1,658,000 from $1,457,000. The increase came entirely from sales of the Sof-form(R) 55 Toric lens during the first and second quarters of 1990 as compared to 1989.

Salvatori Ophthalmics is manufacturer of specialty contact lenses sold to eye care professionals. The company has manufacturing facilities located at Sarasota, Fla. and Lincoln, Neb.

The company also owns a 51 percent interest in Wolcon Laboratories, Inc., a Detroit based manufacturer of contact lenses. Salvatori, headquartered in Sarasota, manufactures and markets RGP and soft contact lenses for daily and extended wear. It is a publicy owned company whose common stock trades on the NASDAQ system.

SALVATORI OPHTHALMICS, INC. CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$1,576,877	$1,578,332	$4,430,282	$3,810,493
Gross profit	686,719	762,272	2,012,434	1,764,467
Operating income	33,618	126,025	54,112	101,725
Income before income taxes and extraordinary item	36,646	116,499	46,357	61,262
Income taxes (credit)	(1,500)	38,500	19,000	44,500
Income before extraordinary item	38,146	77,999	27,357	16,762
Extraordinary item	(3,000)	30,000	14,000	30,000
Net income	$ 35,146	$ 107,999	$ 41,357	$ 46,762
Net income per common share:				
Before extraordinary item	$ 0.01	$ 0.01	$ 0.01	--

Extraordinary item	--	0.01	--	0.01
	$ 0.01	$ 0.02	$ 0.01	$ 0.01
Weighted average shares outstanding	5,408,609	5,408,609	5,408,609	4,552,741

CONTACT: Lawrence Magill or David Dougherty, both of Salvatori Ophthalmics, Inc., (813) 355-8802.

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#90313p5161 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Health-Chem Corporation (AMEX: HCH) announced today that it has amended its shareholder rights agreement adopted on Feb. 28, 1989, so as to exclude as an event which would trigger the rights granted to stockholders under such agreement the purchase by any present officer or director of 30 percent or more of the company's outstanding common shares.

The company also announced that William C. Ragals Jr. had been elected vice president and general counsel. Ragals had previously been vice president and general counsel of Vernitron Corporation.

CONTACT: William C. Ragals Jr., vice president of Health-Chem, 212-398-0700

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#90313p5162 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Del Taco Restaurants, Inc. (NASDAQ: DETA, BSE: DET) today reported a net loss of $153,000, or two cents per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 26, 1990, versus net income of $8,000, or zero cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989. Sales and revenues for the 1990 quarter decreased to $12,454,000 from $12,996,000 in the 1989 period.

For the first nine months of 1990, Del Taco Restaurants, Inc. reported a net loss of $540,000, or six cents per share, versus a net loss of $399,000, or five cents per share, in the comparable 1989 period. Sales and revenues for the first nine months of 1990 decreased to $37,822,000 from $38,620,000 for the comparable 1989 period.

George Baker, president and chief executive of Del Taco, stated, "During the third quarter of 1990, sales and revenues were adversely affected by growing consumer uncertainty regarding the economy. Our new management team, which assumed operating responsibility in mid-August, 1990, is focusing on building sales and introducing product and operating efficiencies, aimed at improving results in the future."

DEL TACO RESTAURANTS, INC.
COMPARATIVE RESULTS
(Unaudited)

13 Weeks ended	Sept. 26, 1990	Sept. 27, 1989
Sales and revenues	$ 12,454,000	$ 12,996,000
Net income/(loss)	$ (153,000)	$ 8,000
Earnings/(loss) per share	$ (.02)	$ .00
Weighted average shares outstanding	8,554,000	8,554,000
39 Weeks ended	Sept. 26, 1990	Sept. 27, 1989
Sales and revenues	$ 37,822,000	$ 38,620,000
Net (loss)	$ (540,000)	$ (399,000)
(Loss) per share	$ (.06)	$ (.05)
Weighted average shares outstanding	8,554,000	8,554,000

CONTACT: Jim Swords, 212-819-6000, for Del Taco Restaurants

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#90313p5164 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CORAL GABLES, FL (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - BankAtlantic Financial Corporation (AMEX: BFC) today reported a net loss of $1,586,000, or $0.97 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, vs. a net loss of $1,188,000, or $0.74 per share for the comparable period of 1989.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, BankAtlantic Financial posted a net loss of $6,702,000, or $3.97 per share, compared to a net loss of $1,781,000, or $1.10 per share for the same period of 1989.

Losses for the year to date were impacted by the long-term debt obligations of BankAtlantic Financial relating to the exchange transaction concluded in early 1989 with three real estate limited partnerships.

BankAtlantic Financial is the savings bank holding company for BankAtlantic (NASDAQ-NMS: ASAL), a $1.85 billion federal savings bank based in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. BankAtlantic Financial controls BankAtlantic through its ownership of approximately 70.1 percent of the outstanding common stock of BankAtlantic. BankAtlantic is BankAtlantic Financial's primary asset and principal source of revenue.

BankAtlantic reported net income of $148,000, or $0.04 per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $898,000, or $0.29 per share, for the same period of 1989. This marked BankAtlantic's second consecutive quarter of positive earnings this year. BankAtlantic earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 1990, were $138,000, or $0.04 per share.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, BankAtlantic exceeded all current capital requirements set by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act (FIRREA). Tangible capital was more than double the 1.5 percent required, and

stood at 3.10 percent assets. Core capital, at 3.15 percent of assets, also exceeded regulatory requirements, as did risk-based capital which was 6.55 percent of assets at Sept. 30, 1990.

BankAtlantic Financial is a savings bank holding company whose stock is listed on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol BFC. Its principal subsidiary is BankAtlantic, which operates 46 banking offices in Broward, Palm Beach and Dade counties.

CONTACT: Alan B. Levan president of BankAtlantic Financial Corporation, 305-760-5317

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#90313p5165 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PONTIAC, MI (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The appointment of William C. Brooks as group director of personnel, GM Truck & Bus Group, has been announced by Clifford J. Vaughan, GM vice president and executive in charge of the Group. The appointment is effective Dec. 1, 1990.

Brooks, 57, succeeds H. Eugene Brown who is retiring from GM after 40 years of service effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Brooks returns to GM after leaving in 1989 to serve as assistant secretary of labor for the Employment Standards Administration, the largest agency within the U.S. Department of Labor.

He began his GM career in 1973 and held numerous positions including: -- Executive Director, Personnel Administration, GM Personnel Administration and Development (PAD) Staff

-- Executive Director of the Personnel Analysis Group, PAD Staff -- General Director, Personnel Administration, PAD Staff -- General Director, Personnel and Public Relations, Delco Moraine Division

-- Director of Personnel, Fisher Body Division's Engineering Center -- Director of Personnel Planning, Industrial Relations Staff -- Director of Education Systems and Program Services, PAD Staff -- Manager of Executive Recruiting, PAD Staff Prior to joining GM, Brooks held federal government positions in the Office of Management and Budget in the Executive Office of the President, the Department of Defense, the Department of Labor and the Department of the Air Force.

A native of St. Genevieve, Mo., Brooks holds a bachelor's degree from Long Island University and a master's degree in business administration from the University of Oklahoma. He also completed the Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program in 1985 and was awarded the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Florida A&M University in 1977.

Brooks has served numerous community and civic organizations including the Detroit Urban League, the Detroit Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America, the Employment/Economic Action Committee of New Detroit, Inc., and the National Black MBA Association.

Brown, 62, began his GM career in 1951 at Delco Products Division in Dayton, Ohio, following graduation from Ohio State University. He held several positions with the GM Personnel Staff and served as personnel director at the United Delco, Rochester Products, Harrison Radiator and Fisher Body divisions. Brown joined the GM Truck & Bus Group in 1984.

CONTACT: Todd Carstensen of GM Truck & Bus Group, 313-456-2911

-30- 2673

#90313p5167 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL MINN. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Today the board of directors of Deluxe Corporation (NYSE: DLX) declared a regular quarterly dividend of 29 cents per share on all outstanding shares of the company.

The dividend will be payable on Dec. 3, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 19, 1990.

The company has 8,243,626 shares outstanding with par value of $1.00 per share.

CONTACT: Stuart Alexander, 612-483-7358; or Charles M. Osborne, 612-483-7355, both of Deluxe Corporation

-30- 664

#90313p5171 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDDLEBURY, CONN. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - General DataComm Industries, Inc. (NYSE: GDC), and Alcatel Network Systems today announced an agreement that will extend the benefits of the Synchronous Optical Network (SONET) standards to their customers in the United States and Canada for customer premises applications. Under the agreement, Alcatel will provide SONET-compliant equipment for use with GDC's MEGAMUX TMSR multiplexers, allowing them to support 51 Mb/s (megabit per second) to 622 Mb/s transmission.

SONET is a series of internationally approved standards for the high-speed transmission of enormous amounts of information over digital, fiber optic lines. Initially, SONET's deployment in the public network will be transparent to most private network users, who typically would connect into the public network with high-speed interfaces (T1 and T3), and who would be unaware that their signals may be carried over interoffice SONET trunks.

With the SONET-compliant MEGAMUX TMS, users can take advantage of the huge

traffic handling capabilities of SONET to support a new generation of applications that require large amounts of bandwidth. SONET also makes possible total end-to-end control and maintenance of the network. With SONET, networks will become self-healing, allowing users to run high-speed applications without interruption.

As an international standard, SONET permits global networking. SONET's frame structure lets signals pass with equal ease through both public and private networks, and supports all types of local area network (LAN) and metropolitan area network (MAN) traffic, including FDDI and IEEE 802.6/DQDB, an industry standard for MAN access.

General DataComm is a leading provider of systems, solutions, equipment and services for information networks worldwide. Based in Middlebury, GDC services a broad base of corporate customers and telephone operating companies throughout the Americas, Europe, Australia, the Far East and the Pacific Rim. In its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported revenues of $202 million.

Alcatel is the largest manufacturer of communications equipment worldwide. Alcatel's chief operating units in North America are Alcatel Network Systems, headquartered in Raleigh, N.C., and Alcatel Cable Systems, headquartered in Claremont, N.C. Together they provide communications equipment and services to Bell operating and independent telephone companies, interexchange carriers, private networks, and to government and export markets.

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#90313p5175 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST NEW YORK, N.J. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Jaclyn, Inc. (AMEX: JLN) today reported financial results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30,1990.

Revenues for the first quarter were $18,717,000 as compared to last year's first quarter revenues of $21,207,000. Net earnings for this period were $594,000 or $.21 per share. This compares with $1,026,000 or $.37 per share a year ago.

Allan Ginsburg, chairman of the board stated that revenues and earnings were lower than last year due to the depressed retail market. In addition, the company's largest apparel customer decided to discontinue its retail apparel line. This is likely to have an adverse effect on sales for the remainder of the year.

Jaclyn, Inc. is a leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of ladies' handbags and related products.

JACLYN. INC.
Consolidated Statement of Earnings
(Unaudited)

Three months ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
Revenues	$18,717,000	$21,207,000
Earnings before income taxes	1,067,000	1,769,000
Income taxes	473,000	743,000
Net earnings	594,000	1,026,000
Average number of shares outstanding	2,801,477	2,800,067(A)
Net earnings per common share	$.21	$.37(A)

(A) -- Restated to reflect the 4 percent stock dividend paid in June 1990.

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#90313p5182 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, IN (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - L.K. Evans, Arvin Industries, Inc. (NYSE: ARV) president and chief operating officer, announced today that V. William Hunt and Byron O. Pond were elected executive vice presidents by the Arvin board. Pond was also elected to the board of directors.

In his new position, Hunt has responsibilities for the company's industrial and governmental divisions: Arvinyl -- fabricator of vinyl metal laminates and formed metal components; Roll Coater -- producer of precoated coils of steel; Calspan -- provider of research, development and testing evaluation activities; and Schrader -- manufacturer of air valves. Hunt will continue his duties as a director,
vice president-administration and corporate secretary.

Pond assumes responsiblity for the automotive divisions: Maremont Exhaust Systems -- manufacturer and distributor to the replacement market in North America; Gabriel Ride Control Products -- producer of shock absorbers, MacPherson struts and active ride control products as original equipment and replacement parts; North American Automotive -- manufacturer of original equipment exhaust products; Cheswick International -- supplier of original equipment, exhaust and emission control products to the European market; Bainbridge Silencers -- European maker and marketer of replacement exhaust products; A.P. Amortiguadores, S.A. -- manufacturer of shock absorbers and MacPherson struts as original equipment for European car companies; and AVM, whose products are gas springs and vacuum actuators.

Also Evans announced the naming of two new division presidents. James W. Thomas was promoted to president, Maremont Exhaust Systems Products Division, and E. Leon Viars to president, Gabriel Ride Control Products Division. Thomas and Viars were elected Arvin vice presidents. Thomas will have

responsibility for North American aftermarket exhaust system business, and Viars assumes responbility for the company's ride control business.

Evans stated further that this realignment brings increased management attention and focus to each business and is essential to the company's continued growth.

Hunt joined Arvin in 1976 as counsel. He was named vice president-administration in 1980, secretary in 1982 and a member of the board of directors in 1983. As vice president-administration, Hunt has responsibility for the company's legal and personnel relations. He holds a bachelor of arts degree and a doctor of jurisprudence degree from Indiana University.

Pond is a graduate of Wayne State University with a B.S. degree in business administration, and has received its Distinguished Alumni Award. He has served as chairman of the governmental affairs committee of the Automotive Parts and Accessories Association and as a director of the Chicago Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Thomas joined Maremont in 1969 as merchandise control director of the distribution group. Since that time has has held positions of increasing responsibility, including vice president-sales and marketing, domestic automotive, and vice president and general manager, exhaust system products. Thomas received his bachelor of science degree in finance from Ohio State University.

Viars joined Maremont in 1969 as general accounting supervisor at the Loudon, Tenn., exhaust plant. Since that time, he has held positions of increasing responsibility including division controller, vice president-operations and vice president and general manager, ride control products. Viars received his bachelor of science degree in accounting from Tennessee Wesleyan University.

Arvin Industries, Inc., an Indiana corporation, is a global company whose products are sold in more than 100 countries in North and South America, the European Common Market, the Pacific Rim and the Third World.

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#90313p5183 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MICH. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Murray L. Reichenstein has been elected vice president - Controller of Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) effective Jan. 1, Chairman Harold A. Poling announced today. He succeeds John L. O'Connor who retired Oct. 1.

Reichenstein has served as vice president - Finance, of Ford of Europe Inc. in Warley, England, for the past seven years.

He joined Ford as a financial analyst in 1964 and held a number of finance positions with Ford Division and the Product Development Group. In 1970, he was assigned to Ford of Europe where he served as assistant controller, Body and Assembly Operations; controller, Product Development; director, General Services; executive director, Car Product Planning; vice president, Car Product Planning, and controller, Car Product Development. He became vice president - Finance for the European subsidiary in 1983.

Reichenstein was born Dec. 14, 1937, in Cleveland. He received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Ohio State University and also attended Columbia University.

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#90313p5186 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Electronic Data Systems (EDS) and Saab Automobile AB are entering into a major systems management agreement under which EDS will handle all systems information work and future applications development for Saab. The agreement also includes the transfer of approximately 250 Saab Data Processing employees to EDS.

Estimated at more than 300 million U.S. dollars, the ten-year Saab Automobile agreement is a first for EDS in Sweden and will form a base for EDS' expansion into the Swedish market. The agreement will see EDS, the world leader in Information Technology (IT) services, handling the first major Systems Management contract of this scale in Sweden, and in fact, one of Europe's largest in the manufacturing industry.

"We see this as a long-term strategic partnership which will help us handle our IT needs more efficiently and more cost-effectively," said David J. Herman president of Saab Automobile AB.

"EDS is able to offer highly competitive Systems Management services," continued Herman, "and its international expertise, particularly in the automotive industry, will provide us with exciting new opportunities in the '90s."

The Swedish market for IT services is growing, and the market research company Input forecasts that the current market value of U.S. $1.9 billion is set to grow by 18 percent annually over the next four years.

"The agreement with Saab Automobile is a natural progression for our business in Europe and further enforces our push into the important Swedish market," said Juergen Berg, EDS managing director for Europe. "It represents not only a gain in business, but a tremendous skills enhancement for EDS with the

addition of some 250 highly experienced Saab personnel."

Saab Automobile AB designs, produces and sells some 100,000 premium Swedish cars a year, employs approximately 15,000 people worldwide and reported turnover of $2.5 billion in 1989. Saab's IT facilities to be covered by EDS include its Trollhattan manufacturing and administration headquarters, its Malmo assembly plant and its Nykoping operations. Current hardware platforms include Unisys and DEC VAX.

EDS has been tasked with not only managing current systems, but also developing future DP strategies for Saab. Of particular interest to Saab is the potential of integrating its global operations into EDS' own network, the largest private digital network in the world.

A world leader in information technology-based services, EDS has more than 60,000 employees in 27 countries. EDS offers expertise in a number of business sectors, including the automobile industry. In 1989, EDS' turnover reached $5.47 billion for a net profit of $435.3 million.

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#90313p5190 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - A miniature Little Caesar finger puppet is now available throughout the country - just in time to be stuffed into children's Christmas stockings. The puppet is Little Caesars Pizza's first special item to be introduced through a national television sales promotion.

The 5-1/2-inch, cuddly finger puppet features Little Caesar in his trademark toga outfit. The puppet also comes complete with a slice of pizza. Customers can purchase the Little Caesar puppet for 99 cents from Nov. 12-Dec. 10 while supplies last, at all local participating Little Caesars restaurants. No purchase is necessary to buy the puppet.

"We are excited to offer our customers this special puppet," said Denise Ilitch Lites, senior executive vice president at Little Caesars. "With the holidays right around the corner, our miniature Little Caesar will make a perfect stocking stuffer or Christmas tree ornament."

Little Caesars Pizza, based in Detroit, is the world's largest carry-out pizza chain, with approximately 3,000 restaurants in all 50 states, Canada, and England. By the end of 1990, the pizza chain projects to have 3,300 restaurants open with $1.5 billion in systemwide sales.

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(313) 983-6170.

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#90313p5192 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - SYSCO Corporation (NYSE: SYY) announced today that its board of directors approved raising the quarterly cash dividend from $0.05 per share to $0.07 per share. This new dividend rate, which represents the 18th increase to occur during the past 15 years will be paid Feb. 15, 1991 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 25.

Speaking at the company's annual meeting of stockholders, John F. Woodhouse, chairman and chief executive officer of SYSCO, commented, "The company's strong performance during the recently completed fiscal year, coupled with the growth goals we anticipate achieving in the next several years, provides a firm basis for the board's decision to share SYSCO's progress with its stockholders."

Woodhouse said that shareholders also re-elected four directors to serve three-year terms of office. They include John W. Anderson, Bill M. Lindig, Richard G. Merrill and Donald H. Pegler, Jr.

In addition, shareholders approved the adoption of an amendment to the company's restated certificate of incorporation which will increase to 500,000,000 the number of shares the company is authorized to issue. Likewise, shareholders approved the reservation of 1,000,000 additional shares each for issuance under the company's management incentive plan and employee incentive stock option plan.

SYSCO is the nation's largest foodservice marketing and distribution organization. The company provides is products and services to approximately 230,000 customers located across the United States and western Canada. The SYSCO distribution network currently covers virtually the entire continental United States including all of its 150 largest cities. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, the company reported sales of $7.6 billion and net earnings of $132.5 million.

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#90313p5193 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - A quarterly dividend of 22 cents per share on Common Stock was declared by the Board of Directors of Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Consolidated (NASDAQ-NMS: COKE). The dividend is payable on December 10, 1990 to shareholders of record as of November 23, 1990.

The Board further declared a dividend of 13 cents per share on the Class B Common Stock also payable December 10, 1990, to shareholders of of record as of November 23, 1990. Dividends on the Class B Common Stock may not exceed dividends on the Common Stock.

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#90313p5195 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO. (NOV. 9) - UtiliCorp United (NYSE: UCU) today is offering through underwriters 4,000,000 shares of common stock at $18-7/8 per share.

Managing underwriters for the domestic offering of 3,200,000 shares are Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co., Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette and Lehman Brothers. Those three firms and County NatWest Limited are co-managing an 800,000-share portion of the offering outside the U.S. and Canada.

Net proceeds of the transaction will be used to reduce short-term debt incurred primarily as a result of capital and acquisition-related expenditures.

UtiliCorp common stock is listed on the New York, Toronto and Pacific stock exchanges. There are presently 23.9 million shares outstanding. The Nov. 8 closing price on UtiliCorp common stock was 18-7/8.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides gas and electric service to approximately 820,000 customers in eight states and in the province of British Columbia. Its divisions are Missouri Public Service, Peoples Natural Gas, Michigan Gas Utilities, West Virginia Power, Northern Minnesota Utilities and Kansas Public Service. West Kootenay Power is a Canadian subsidiary.

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#90313p5203 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - First Bank System, Inc. (NYSE: FBS) today announced that Larry S. Crawford has been named general manager, Twin Cities banking group. In this new position, Crawford will manage Minneapolis-St. Paul retail banking distribution. The presidents of the St. Paul market and Minneapolis market will report to Crawford.

Crawford joined FBS in June of this year to review the company's retail sales and marketing management process. Prior to joining FBS, Crawford was president and chief executive officer of Wells Fargo Credit Corporation, a position he had held since 1981. He joined Wells Fargo Credit Corporation in 1978 as an executive vice president with responsibility for developing

products and corresponding sales and marketing programs. Prior to that time, he was associated with Citibank in New York where he spent 13 years as an executive in the consumer banking area.

"Larry is a seasoned veteran in consumer banking," said William F. Farley, vice chairman of First Bank System. "His expertise will play a major role in strengthening our Twin Cities banking business."

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#90313p5205 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHERRY HILL, NJ (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - SAI Group Inc. (OTC) today announced that the special meeting of shareholders previously scheduled to be held on Oct. 25, 1990, has been rescheduled to Dec. 3, 1990.

The record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the meeting was changed from Sept. 14, 1990, to Oct. 30. At the meeting the shareholders will consider the proposed merger of the company into Proteq Verzekeringen Beheer N.V.

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#90313p5206 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTON, MASS. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Health and Rehabilitation Properties Trust (NYSE: HRP) today announced that it has entered an agreement to acquire a total of 17 nursing facilities containing 2,411 beds and to mortgage finance four additional nursing facilities with 754 beds. The 17 facilities to be leased are being purchased for $23.5 million in cash plus issuance of 3 million shares of HRP common stock. The four facility mortgage financing is for $15 million which will be advanced in cash. Two million of the 3 million shares being issued will be simultaneously offered for public sale by the seller of the nursing homes through Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp., 140 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10005.

The proceeds of this purchase leaseback, mortgage financing and stock sale will be used to fund, directly or indirectly and in part, the acquisition by a newly formed affiliate of HostMasters, Inc., Pasadena, Calif., (HMI) of 100 percent of the stock of American Medical Services, Inc. (AMS), an indirect subsidiary of TW Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: TWFS) of Spartanburg, S.C. AMS is headquartered in Milwaukee, Wis., and currently operates 31 health care facilities and three institutional pharmacies. HMI currently operates eight health care facilities in California and Arizona. At the conclusion of the stock acquisition of AMS, HMI and its affiliates combined will operate 39 nursing home facilities with an aggregate of 5,376 beds and three

institutional pharmacies, and will have aggregate annual revenues of approximately $135 million, based upon results for September 1990.

The 17 nursing homes to be purchased by HRP are located in Wisconsin (six facilities with 718 beds), California (eight facilities with 1,018 beds), Colorado (two facilities with 445 beds) and Illinois (one facility with 230 beds). The four nursing homes to be mortgage financed are located in Wisconsin (three facilities with 674 beds), and Oregon (one facility with 80 beds).

Minimum rent and minimum interest will be established at Closing by a formula based upon the yield of U.S. Treasury obligations and are expected to be an aggregate of $9.4 million during the first year of the lease and mortgage.

CONTACT: Mark J. Finkelstein, president. or David J. Hegarty, treasurer, both of HRPT, 617-332-3990

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#90313p5209 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Allegheny Ludlum Corp. (NYSE: ALS) today announced that its board of directors has increased the number of shares of its common stock that may be repurchased by the company.

The company has repurchased 991,400 shares under the original program which authorized the purchase of 1,500,000 shares (adjusted for the 3-for-2 stock split). The expanded program approved today authorizes the repurchase of up to 1,000,000 additional shares of its common stock from time to time in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions. After the board's action today, the total stock repurchase authorization remaining is 1,508,600 shares.

"At current price levels, we believe the repurchase of Allegheny Ludlum stock is very attractive," a spokesman said. He noted that the timing and number of shares purchased in the future will depend on market conditions. Shares acquired will be held as treasury stock, according to the spokesman. Goldman Sachs is the exclusive agent for the stock repurchase program.

Allegheny Ludlum stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (ALS) and closed at 21-1/4 Thursday. There are 32,882,276 common shares outstanding.

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#90313p5211 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) recognized employees for outstanding environmental achievements at the company's first Environmental Respect Awards ceremony here last night.

The company has allocated nearly $100,000 for contributions to external environmental organizations designated by the award recipients. Last night's presentations included two Chairman's Awards of $10,000 each and 13 Special Recognition and two Corporate Merit awards of $5,000 each.

"The honorees represent a wide range of environmental accomplishments and reflect the company's business and global diversity," said Du Pont Chairman Edgar S. Woolard, Jr.

"I'm convinced that Du Pont must reach new levels of environmental stewardship as a matter of ethical responsibility and business competitiveness," Woolard said. "This program reinforces our belief that respect for the environment should be at the heart of everything we do."

Chairman's Awards were given to the "Kevlar" business unit at the Spruance plant in Richmond, Va., for reducing hazardous waste by 80 percent, and to Pryo Hutomo, a Conoco engineer who set public standards for environmental impact, analysis and management in Indonesia.

Special Recognition Awards were given in such categories as waste management, community outreach, habitat enhancement, product stewardship and innovative technology.

Corporate Merit Awards were given to the "Freon" Products global team for taking the industry lead in international agreements to reduce and ultimately phase out chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) production, and to the Plastic Recycling Alliance, a joint venture of Du Pont and Waste Management, for integrating plastic recycling from collection through recycle processing to market access.

The honorees received trophies of Du Pont "Corian" that depict the company's environmental symbol rising from a rock formation.

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#90313p5212 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARIS (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Four drivers will campaign two Peugeot 905 race cars in the 1991 World Sports Car Championship series, Peugeot announced here Thursday (Nov. 8).

Former Formula 1 World Champion Keke Rosberg will be paired with Formula 1 driver Yannick Dalmas. Mauro Baldi, who won the driver's crown in the 1990 World Sports-Prototype Championship, will team up with Formula 1 driver Philippe Alliot.

Rosberg, 41, helped pilot the Peugeot 905 in its debut races in Montreal and

Mexico City earlier this year.

Baldi, 36, joins Peugeot from the Sauber-Mercedes team, which recently captured the 1990 World Sports-Prototype Championship title. (Next year, the competition will be renamed the World Sports Car Championship series.) In three seasons with Sauber-Mercedes, Baldi had 11 wins, six second-place and three third-place finishes.

Dalmas, 29, and Alliot, 36, once Formula 3 champions of France, have been competing on the Formula 1 circuit in recent years.

Peugeot development driver Jean-Pierre Jabouille, who co-piloted the 905 in Montreal and Mexico, will be a technical consultant to the team in 1991. Jabouille, who finished fifth in the "24 Hours of Le Mans" in 1989, also has been slated to drive the Peugeot 905 at Le Mans next year.

Peugeot's newest race car is equipped with a light-alloy, 3.5-liter atmospheric V10 engine. Four overhead camshafts, two per cylinder bank, activate four valves per cylinder.

For optimum performance, the Peugeot 905 has a honeycomb, carbon- fiber body built by Dassault, the French aeronautic company best known for Falcon and Mirage military jets.

The 1991 World Sports Car Championship series is tentatively scheduled to begin March 31 in Australia.

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#90313p5215 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company's (NYSE: EK) Board of Directors today voted a wage dividend for 1990 for approximately 73,000 eligible company employees in the United States. The wage dividend will be paid on March 15, 1991.

The 1990 wage dividend will be the first based on a formula announced last January which closely linked to the company's financial performance for the year. Because of this, the exact amount of the wage dividend will be announced when assets and earnings figures for 1990 are reported next February.

The Board also voted to exclude from the calculation of the wage dividend the effects of any charge against Kodak's earnings as a result of the recent judgment in the Polaroid patent litigation. Kodak last week reported a $909.5 million charge in the third quarter associated with the Polaroid litigation, reducing net earnings for the quarter by $564 million.

Kay Whitmore, Kodak chairman, president and chief executive officer, said the Board decided that the Polaroid judgment was a "highly unusual event which resulted in the effects of 14 years of litigation being charged to a single quarter in accordance with conventional accounting practices."

For eligible employees, this year's wage dividend will be based on Kodak's return on assets (ROA) and will be expressed as a percentage of the employee's earnings for 1990. (Employees must have five years of service to receive a full wage dividend. For those with fewer than five years' service, the amount of the wage dividend is pro-rated.)

The wage dividend was established by company founder George Eastman in 1912 and has been paid annually for 78 years, with the exception of 1934. The formula has changed a number of times.

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#90313p5217 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Royal Netherlands Air Force (RNLAF) has awarded a contract to Lucas Western Inc., Flight Structures Division (FSD), Jamestown, N.D., for a newly developed Multiple Practice Bomb Adapter (MPBA) to be carried on the F-16 aircraft. The MPBA, developed and manufactured by FSD, was selected based on successful flight testing, system reliability and low maintenance costs. The value of the contract was not disclosed.

FSD will provide 72 MPBAs along with spares and technical orders as part of the RNLAF contract. The MPBA is a low drag common practice bomb carriage and release unit which is compatible with numerous aircraft. The MPBA carries two 25-pound practice bombs in tandem and releases them without the use of a pyrotechnic cartridge.

A subsidiary of Lucas Aerospace, Lucas Western, Inc., Flight Structures Division manufactures cargo handling systems, aircraft structures and weapons launching systems. The company's range of customers includes Boeing, McDonnell Douglas, General Dynamics, Grumman, Honeywell, Hughes, Lockheed, Rockwell, and the U.S. Navy.

With operations in the United Kingdom, North America and France, and an extensive network of customer support and marketing facilities worldwide, Lucas Aerospace employs 12,000 people and generates annual revenues approaching $1.3 billion. Primary business units include: Engine Systems, Flight Control and Actuation Systems, Aircraft Systems, Communications and Electronics, and Customer Support.

CONTACT: Renate H. Zelko, 703-264-2387, or Bob Moulton or Liz Underhill, 703-620-0141, all for Lucas Aerospace, Inc.

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#90313p5220 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Generation 5 Technology Inc. (G5) (NASDAQ: GFIV), a pacesetter in the development of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Image Systems Technology Inc. (IST) today announced their agreement to jointly develop and market a series of interactive raster/vector software tools for the geographic information systems (GIS) industry.

Dubbed GeoIMAGE(TM) and the GeoIMAGE Libraries(TM), the new line of software tools are designed to allow the users of Generation 5 Technology's Geo/SQL software to integrate aerial photographs and satellite images into their overall GIS system.

Users work within Geo/SQL's AutoCAD graphics environment, and overlay vector images on a photographic background displayed on their computer screen. A municipal user, for example, might bring up an aerial photograph of a section of the city and then use the photograph as a base to draw new subdivisions, streets and other construction.

"The uses for the GeoIMAGE technology are endless," said Dan Hinckley, vice president R&D/Marketing for Generation 5 Technology. "The cooperative effort between G5 and Image Systems yields a new dimension in geographic information systems applications. Now you can sit at a low-cost 386 workstation and get the power of Geo/SQL, the accuracy of AutoCAD, and the flexibility of working with digital photographic images."

"Our association with Generation 5 Technology," said Bob Godgart, president of Image Systems, "takes advantage of both our leadership in the manipulation and display of raster data within the CAD environment, and of Generation 5's expertise in the GIS marketplace."

A publicly held company, Generation 5 Technology is a pacesetter in the emerging fields of Automated Mapping (AM/FM), Geographic Information Systems (GIS), and Facilities Management (FM) software systems.

The company has distinguished itself by being the first to develop sophisticated computer mapping and GIS software which takes advantage of the standard AutoCAD graphics system; the "AutoCAD-Integrated" Geo/SQL software environments allow low-cost desktop 386/486 PCs and 32-bit UNIX workstations to be linked with complex database applications running on mainframes and minicomputers.

Image Systems Technology (IST) is the developer of the CAD/Overlay ESP software for integrating scanned maps and drawings with the AutoCAD graphics

environment.

Founded in 1987 the Troy, N.Y.-based company has the largest installed base of raster/document technology in the world. In cooperation with Generation 5 Technology, IST is now venturing into the world of hybrid raster/vector based geographic information systems.

For more information contact Dan Hinckley, VP Marketing, Generation 5 Technology Inc. 303-427-0055; or Bob Godgart, Image Systems Technology Inc. 518-283-8783.

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#90313p5222 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The National Association of Beverage Importers (NABI) today applauded the Food & Drug Administration (FDA) for taking action that will ensure wine consumers of Beaujolais nouveau availability on Nov. 15.

According to Robert J. Maxwell, NABI president, FDA put into place a system that will hold Beaujolais nouveau shipments for no more than 24 hours. FDA will randomly check shipments for trace levels of procymidone, a widely used fungicide not registered for use in the United States.

"I know how difficult it can be to make the wheels of government move quickly, which makes me all the more appreciative of FDA's exceptional effort. FDA recognized the uniqueness of the situation and worked tirelessly with French wine producers and U.S. wine importers to come up with a solution. Consumers will find Beaujolais nouveau on store shelves next Thursday," Maxwell stated.

Beaujolais nouveau is different from other wines. Beaujolais nouveau is meant to be consumed "young." Each year, the new wine is made available to consumers on the third Thursday of November -- this year, Nov. 15. Last year more than $15 million worth of Beaujolais nouveau was sold by French vintners in the United States.

Maxwell stated that the testing of Beaujolais nouveau by FDA is the latest chapter in the ongoing debate involving trace levels of procymidone in some European wines. Procymidone is used in 26 countries in Europe and around the world, but has never been registered for use in the United States. Because procymidone is not registered with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), no tolerance level for procymidone residue has been established -- making any

level unacceptable and any product containing procymidone illegal.

No problems are expected with Beaujolais nouveau since procymidone was not used on this year's Beaujolais grape crop. Recently, French wine producers supplied FDA with results of a survey demonstrating that Beaujolais nouveau is procymidone-free.

Citing EPA's own statements that trace levels of procymidone in wine do not pose a health threat to wine consumers, NABI continues to urge EPA to immediately establish an enforcement tolerance level for procymidone. NABI estimates that beverage importers have lost more than $60 million since the European wine embargo was established earlier this year.

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#90313p5225 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Maxwell, chairman of Scitex Corporation, Ltd. (NASDAQ: SCIXF), announced today an unaudited net profit of $20,576,000, or 56 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990, a 141 percent increase from the net profit of $8,523,000, or 24 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company's unaudited net profits totaled $53,281,000, or $1.46 per share, a 146 percent increase from the net profit of $21,687,000, or 62 cents per share, in the same period last year.

The board of directors declared an interim cash dividend of 7 cents per share for the third quarter. Shareholders of record as of the close of business on Nov. 15, 1990, will be entitled to the interim dividend. The dividend will be paid on or before Dec. 5, 1990, net of taxes to be withheld at source.

In September, the American Stock Exchange started trading put and call options on Scitex shares.

Revenues in the third quarter reached $96,130,000, a 52 percent increase from the comparable period last year. For the first nine months of the year, revenues totalled $250,196,000, a 47 percent increase over the first nine months of 1989. Operating income for the quarter increased 186 percent over third quarter 1989 levels, while operating margins reached 29 percent.

Revenues continue to be strong worldwide. Compared with the third quarter of 1989, revenues in America grew 64 percent to reach $39,578,000; revenues in Europe grew 41 percent to reach $39,710,000, while revenues to Japan grew 58 percent to reach $10,190,000.

The Scitex Graphic Arts User Association in America held its annual meeting in

August in Orlando, Fla. The successful event drew approximately 400 people representing some 250 member companies, and highlighted once again Scitex's policy of keeping in close touch with its customer base while being responsive to their needs.

During August, at the SIGGRAPH Conference in Dallas, Iris Graphics, the Bedford, Mass., company, acquired by Scitex in March of this year, unveiled a new digital color printer -- the SmartJet Series 4012. The compact printer adds a smaller format to the Iris line of color inkjet printers. It features a high degree of automation, emphasizing minimum operator interventions. The SmartJet, which retails at $39,000, significantly expands market opportunities for Iris.

Nihon Scitex, the company's 50 percent-owned joint venture in Japan, hosted approximately 400 customers and prospects in two gatherings in Tokyo and Osaka. At these events, Scitex, along with several other vendors of peripheral equipment and services, first exhibited some of its newest products to the Japanese market.

Scitex Corporation Ltd. designs, develops, manufactures, markets and services interactive computer imaging systems used primarily in the printing and publishing industries. Scitex products are also used in the cartographic and textile industries, as well as for certain applications in the printed circuit board manufacturing and seismic exploration industries. Scitex operates marketing, sales and service divisions in North America, Europe and Japan.

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#90313p5230 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MI (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) has awarded Daedalus Enterprises, Inc. of Ann Arbor a Phase II Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) contract.

The contract, titled "Interferometer Imaging and Frequency Estimation of Surface Vibration Patterns," is valued at $500,000. This contract was awarded based on work performed during the successful completion of the Phase I SBIR feasibility study last year.

The objective of the research is to develop an instrument to demonstrate a novel concept to optically image the vibration patterns of remote surfaces. The principal investigator for the Vibration Imager (VIM) is Karl G. Wesolowicz. The work will be performed for NASA/Ames Research Center, Dryden Flight Research Facility.

The immediate application for this instrument is to evaluate the performance of new materials and structural designs proposed for the National Aerospace

Plane (NASP) program. This aircraft could accelerate up to 25 times the speed of sound, and travel from Washington, D.C., to Tokyo in two hours.

The NASA test facility will investigate the characteristics of the new materials needed to withstand the extreme heat and vibrations expected during flight. The Daedalus instrument will provide NASA with the means to measure vibration patterns of the wing and fuselage surfaces while under test at surface temperatures up to 2000 F.

Daedalus expects that this instrument will have applications in both the commercial and military marketplace. The program commenced in October 1990 and will have an 18-month duration.

The federal SBIR goals are to stimulate technological innovation, increase the use of small business in meeting federal research and development needs, and increase private sector commercialization of results of federally funded research.

Phase I project objectives are to determine feasibility of research innovations meeting agency needs. Phase II continues development of the most promising Phase I projects. This contract was one of 84 awards made from 203 proposals submitted by SBIR contractors completing Phase I projects.

Daedalus is a small business engaged in the development of remote sensing instrumentation. The company has been active in the SBIR program since 1983. Daedalus has received seven Phase I contracts and five Phase II contracts in this time.

The NASA SBIR award program has brought the company more than $2.8 million in R&D funds. Daedalus was recently presented an award at the MERRA SBIR winners conference in recognition of "special contribution to technology development in Michigan."

The primary application of the company's products are in the field of environmental remote sensing. The company's stock is traded in the over-the-counter market under the symbol "DDEI," and is quoted in the automated quotation system of the National Association of Securities Dealers. The signing of this contract at this time was anticipated, and is not expected to change projections of fiscal 1991 revenue.

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#90313p5235 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Orexana Corporation (NASDAQ: XXAU) today announced that the consulting firm of Pincock, Allen & Holt, Inc. (PAH) has been retained by Orexana Mining Limited (Orexana) a wholly owned subsidiary to

conduct a review of Orexana's Bolivian Properties (the properties).

The Orexana Properties are located near the village of Soledad, approximately 100 miles south-southeast of La Paz and 30 miles northwest of Oruro. The properties consist of 12 concessions covering approximately 14,300 acres.

The main block of concessions covering approximately 10,000 acres, is located immediately to the east of the Inti Raymi deposit, being presently mined by a subsidiary of Battle Mountain Gold Company which is engaged in a heap leach gold operation. PAH's report states that such operation has current annual production of approximately 40,000 ounces of gold and 240,000 ounces of silver.

PAH collected samples from two pits in the area of the properties and re-sampled rejects from 16 samples. The highest gold assay from these samples was .36 grams per ton. All but three of the samples contained less than .1 gram of gold per ton. PAH concluded that gold is present in the area of the properties, but systematic sampling and analysis will be needed to determine the extent and grade of the gold content.

There has been very little exploration to date on the properties. Orexana believes that because of the presence of economic gold deposits on the adjacent concession at Inti Raymi, and the presence of gold in the area, there may be a potential for the discovery of economic gold deposits on the properties. In order to evaluate the economic potential of the properties, a detailed exploration program will be required. It is anticipated that such program will cost at least $100,000. Orexana will seek a major mining company as a joint venture partner to embark on such a program.

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#90313p5246 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - CF Income Partners L.P. (NYSE: CFI), formerly Cal Fed Income Partners L.P., a Los Angeles- based master limited partnership, today reported a net loss of $2.1 million, or $.16 per unit, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $1.7 million or $.13 per unit, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The partnership reported a net loss of $4.1 million, or $.31 per unit, for the first nine months of 1990 compared to a net loss of $5.1 million, or $.39 per unit, for the first nine months of 1989.

The increased net loss in the third quarter of 1990 was primarily attributable to the Resale Portfolio. Gains on sales were not sufficient to offset the increased general and administrative expenses and interest expense resulting from the partnership's investment in the Resale Portfolio.

The decreased net loss for the first nine months of 1990 resulted from the profitable sales activity recognized on the Resale Portfolio.

Operating results from the partnership's investment properties for the third quarter of 1990 produced a loss of $200,000 compared to a loss of $22,000 for the same period in 1989. This increase in loss is primarily attributable to an increase in operating expenses due to higher property tax expense and an increase in interest expense.

Non-cash expenses consisting primarily of depreciation and deferred interest, which do not affect Available Cash Flow, totaled $3.6 million in the third quarter of 1990, in comparison to $3.7 million for the same 1989 period.

The third quarter of activity for the Partnership's Resale Portfolio generated $485,000 in income before financing costs and and costs to administer the Resale Portfolio. Sales activity from the real estate held for sale generated $219,000 in income for the Partnership during the third quarter of 1990. The investments in real estate partnerships, which are accounted for using the equity method, produced income of $226,000 for the Partnership.

CF Income Partners L.P. is a publicly traded master limited partnership which has invested in income-producing multi-family residential, commercial and industrial properties.

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#90313p5251 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MASS (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Waltham Savings Bank (NASDAQ: WLBK), one of Waltham's oldest financial institutions, has changed its name to Sterling Bank.

John C. Warren, president and chief executive officer of Sterling Bank commented, "The name change reflects our position as a full service bank and the expansion of our community-based franchise. As an insitution with a proud heritage, we have always been and will continue to be committed to the needs of our customers."

Sterling Bank, a subsidiary of The Waltham Corporation, has assets in excess of $570 million and offers a comprehensive line of business and personal banking services at its five retail offices located in the Boston suburbs of Waltham, Wayland, Weston and Sudbury. The corporation's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market Sytem under the symbol WLBK.

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#90313p5256 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Profit Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: PRTE) announced today its unaudited results of operations for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Highlights are listed below.

PROFIT TECHNOLOGY, INC.

Quarter ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989(A)

Sales	$9,109,000(B)	$239,000
Net loss	(534,000)	(3,994,000)
Average shares	13,992,000	10,219,000 Per share:
Net loss	($.04)	($.39)
Nine months: Sales	13,802,000(B)	2,838,000
Net loss	(4,880,000)	(6,574,000)
Average shares	13,474,000	9,882,000 Per share:
Net loss	($.36)	($.67)

(A) -- Figures for 1989 are for the three and nine month periods ended August 31.

(B) -- Rodime Systems, Inc. was acquired on May 15, 1990. Sales for Rodime Systems, Inc. for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were approximately $6,817,000 and $8,900,000, respectively.

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#90313p5265 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINTER HAVEN, FLA. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The vice chairman and the president and chief executive officer of Scotty's, Inc., today expressed their "deepest regret" at the death Nov. 5, 1990, of Baron Francois Vaxelaire, 69, a member of the Scotty's board of directors.

John B. Ellis, vice chairman, and Daryl L. Lansdale, president and CEO of Scotty's, issued the following statement: "It is with deepest regret that we acknowledge the unexpected death of Baron Vaxelaire. He was a man of the highest character and integrity, and provided Scotty's with wise counsel and sound judgment for many years. We appreciate his excellent leadership and recognize the significant contribution he made to the success of Scotty's."

Baron Vaxelaire served as a member of the Scotty's board of directors since 1979. In addition, he was chairman of the board of directors, managing director and president of the executive committee of GIB, a Belgian corporation of which Scotty's is a wholly owned subsidiary.

Scott Linder, chairman of the Scotty's board, is in failing health and was not able to comment on Baron Vaxelaire's passing, according to Scotty's.

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#90313p5266 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Balkan Bulgarian Airlines, the national carrier of Bulgaria, received its first of three new Boeing 737-500 jetliners

this week, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group confirmed today. The airline will take delivery of its second -500 in December and its third in 1991. All three aircraft were obtained from Ansett Worldwide Aviation Services of Australia under a lease agreement.

The airline, in operation since 1947, is the first Eastern European carrier to choose the -500, newest member of Boeing Commercial Airplane Group's most popular jetliner family. The airliner consumes up to 20 percent less fuel per seat than a comparably configured 737-200. It can seat from 108 to 132 passengers in a variety of configurations.

Balkan's new aircraft are equipped with CFM56-3C1 engines, an engine series noted for its exceptional fuel efficiency, low noise and high reliability. The engines are produced by CFM International, a company jointly owned by General Electric of the United States and SNECMA of France.

Balkan currently operates scheduled passenger and cargo services to 55 points within Europe, Asia and Africa. In addition, it operates a large charter program.

To date, more than 60 customers worldwide have ordered more than 1,700 of the new generation Boeing 737s. Total orders for the entire 737 program amount to 2,852, making it the most popular commercial airplane in history.

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#90313p5268 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Turner Corporation (AMEX: TUR), the nation's leading general builder, today declared a regular dividend of 25 cents per share of common stock payable Dec. 6, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 23, 1990.

1990 is Turner's 51st consecutive year of uninterrupted dividend payments.

Based in New York, the Turner Corporation, through Turner Construction Company and other construction subsidiaries, is the nation's largest builder of commercial, industrial, hospital and healthcare, institutional, government, building and multi-unit housing projects. Operating through more than 34 offices, Turner has construction projects under way throughout the United States and abroad.

During 1989, the Turner Corporation put in place approximately $3.6 billion of new construction.

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#90313p5271 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
SEATTLE (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - IMRE Corp. (NASDAQ: IMRE) today announced at its annual shareholders' meeting that the company has entered into a distribution agreement with Green Cross Medical Corp., Korea, to distribute the FDA marketing-approved PROSORBA(R) column. The product will be launched in 1991 in Korea.

"We are pleased that we have accomplished another step in the company's ongoing program to increase worldwide distribution of the PROSORBA column," said Frank R. Jones, Ph.D., chief executive officer of IMRE Corp.

IMRE Corp. is a Seattle-based medical products company that is considered a pioneer and the leader in the field of immunoadsorption, a process of treating a diseased patient's blood outside the body.

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#90313p5273 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
HUDSON, N.H. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Howtek, Inc. (AMEX: HTK), is introducing its new Colorscan LCC, a low cost addition to its Colorscan family of turnkey, color electronic prepress systems. It is now available to the low-to-medium volume production user who previously could not afford a fully intergrated professional system. The system is priced at $98,900, and is available for immediate delivery.

Colorscan LCC has been designed as a turnkey solution to newspapers and commercial users who require professional quality and functionality of Colorscan's page composition and color separation capabilities, yet at a cost that is within a budget of low-to-medium size color production volume users.

"This is a fully calibrated system that provides a professional alternative to the 'do-it yourself, shrinkwrap' efforts of customers who try to put together their own systems using non-integrated, off-the- shelf hardware and software," said Dave Bothwell, Howtek's president. "It is a fully functional system, offering high quality scanning, color correction, page assembly, stripping, and four color separated film output," he added.

The new Colorscan LCC is supplied with a Hewlett Packard 386 PC platform and control monitor; high resolution SONY color monitor; Scanmaster 3 flatbed scanner; Colorscan Rip screening and assembly Tower; full Colorscan color correction, assembly and stripping software; and the AGFA 9400 laser recorder with 1200 dpi broadsheet output. The Colorscan LCC pricing includes installation and two weeks of training.

Howtek, Inc. designs, engineers, and develops computer peripherals and systems for the color graphics market.

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#90313p5278 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGDALE, N.Y. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Del Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: DLI) today reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

DEL LABORATORIES, INC.

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$29,018,000	$31,262,000	$94,350,000	$95,289,000
Earnings before income taxes	520,000	415,000	2,665,000	2,344,000
Provision for income taxes	187,000	149,000	959,000	843,000
Net earnings	333,000	266,000	1,706,000	1,501,000
Primary earnings per share(A)	$.32	$.24	$1.45	$1.18
Average shares outstanding	1,363,000	1,440,000	1,368,000	1,414,000

(A) -- Primary earnings per share for the first, second and third quarters of 1990 and 1989 have been adjusted to reflect the application of a modification of the treasury stock method.

Del Laboratories, Inc., under its brand trademarks, manufactures and markets Sally Hansen "Hard as Nails" nail care products, America's number one nail protection; Quencher cosmetics; Flame-Glow cosmetics; Rejuvia beauty care products; Nutri-Tonic hair care products; La Cross nail and beauty implements; Schiaparelli Fragrances and "Auro", "Tanac", "Orajel", "Propa P.H.", "Dermarest", "Pronto", "Diaper Guard", "Stye", "Triptone" and other proprietary pharmaceuticals.

CONTACT: Dan D. Wassong, president and chief executive officer, or Melvyn C. Goldstein, vice president of finance, both of Del Laboratories, 516-293-7070

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#90313p5282 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTAGE, WIS. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Portage Industries Corporation (AMEX: PTG) today announced a $135,000, or a 6-cent per share loss for the quarter

ended Sept. 30, 1990. One year earlier, the third-quarter loss amounted to $80,000, or 4 cents per share. Third-quarter revenues rose 10 percent to $7,323,000 vs. $6,618,000 for the same quarter last year.

Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $85,000 or 4 cents per share, compared with a loss of $290,000, or $.13 a share in 1989. Revenues for the nine months rose 16 percent to $21,451,000, from $18,534,000 last year.

Commenting on the loss, Portage Vice President-Finance Bert Figi indicated that capacity utilization was down more than 10 percent from second quarter. Lower than expected sales coupled with higher material costs and manufacturing overhead were principal causes for the third- quarter results.

"The combination of leveling industrial growth and higher resin prices will make the next few quarters very challenging," said Figi. "Competition continues strong, while our material costs are rising due to the world oil situation. Meanwhile, our customers are becoming more cautious due to their sales outlooks."

Figi said the company's five-year goal -- to improve its market position in two major plastics categories and continue its double-digit revenue growth while improving profitability -- will be both helped and challenged by current macro-economic trends. "Current economic conditions are causing short-term earnings pressure in our industry which may weed out the weakest competitors," Figi explained. "We plan to take advantage of our industry-leading reputation for quality by targeting new clients who are dependent upon our level of capability. These clients are typically found in the anti-recessionary food packaging industries."

Portage Industries manufactures and markets a broad range of extruded plastic material, which includes a variety of monolithic (single layer) sheet and rollstock, as well as coextruded and barrier coextruded (multi-layer) materials used primarily to form special packaging, automotive parts and industrial components. The company has an outstanding reputation for quality products and working with new resins. Its coextrusion operation can manufacture products from the broadest array of resin combinations in the industry.

CONTACT: Bert Figi of Portage Industries Corporation, 608-742-7123; or Peter Leech of The Investor Relations Company, 708-564-5610, for Portage Industries Corporation

-30- 2755

#90313p5283 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, IDAHO (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Receipt of a major contract to perform design and construction services on expansion of a thermoplastic rubber

manufacturing unit at the Shell Chemical Co. plant at Belpre, Ohio, has been announced by Morrison Knudsen Corp. (MK) (NYSE: MRN).

The contract was awarded by Shell Chemical Co. to the Cleveland-based MK-Ferguson division of Morrison Knudsen Corp. for expansion work at Shell's Belpre Elastomer Plant.

Work on the expansion will begin immediately with completion scheduled for the first quarter of 1992. The design phase will be carried out at MK's Cleveland office.

Morrison Knudsen Corp. is an international design/engineering, construction, environmental, mining and rail systems company.

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#90313p5285 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Citizens Savings Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CSFCB), a parent company of Citizens Federal Bank, a five-state federal savings bank, has reported net earnings of $10,122,000 ($3.27 per share) on total income of $98,380,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net earnings of $3,820,000 ($1.23 per share) on total income of $110,550,000 for the same quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Citizens Savings reported net earnings of $16,209,000 ($5.08 per share) on total income of $301,895,000, compared to net earnings of $9,459,000 ($3.06 per share) on total income of $321,087,000 for the same period of 1989.

The 1990 third quarter earnings include an after-tax extraordinary gain of $11.2 million resulting from the bank's exchange of a large portion of its subordinated debt for preferred stock, and a $7.6 million addition to reserves of which $5.1 million was for potential loan losses against performing assets.

Charles B. Stuzin, chairman and president of Citizens Savings, addressed the additional loan reserves by stating, "Some people may accuse us of being overly conservative, and if we are, so be it. But this is the time to look to the future. Citizens Federal has only a minimal amount of loans covering commerical real estate and is virtually unaffected by the severe problems in this sector of the economy.

"Our portfolio of residential first mortgage loans is no more delinquent than it was six months ago. But considering the overall economy, this is the prudent step to take at this time.

"Our management always has been extremely conservative and we plan to continue

this policy, especially in times which are so filled with economic uncertainty."

Stockholders equity per common share climbed to $33.11 on Sept. 30, 1990, a gain of 26 percent over the $26.31 per share a year ago.

In conformity with a 1987 S.E.C. staff accounting bulletin, the company also reported on a supplemental basis that its earnings per common share would have been $3.00 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, $4.30 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, $.87 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, and $2.00 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, if the earnings per common share were adjusted for dividends not actually paid or accrued but imputed on its Series A Preferred Stock which was sold to the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corportion (now the FSLIC Resolution Fund) in connection with the company's 1986 acquisition of an Ohio savings bank. The imputed dividends are calculated as if the dividends payable on the Series A Preferred Stock were based upon a market rate dividend of 5.3 percent in both years. The company's actual earnings of $3.27 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, $5.08 per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, $1.23 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, and $3.06 per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, are based upon the actual dividends paid or accrued to the FSLIC Resolution Fund on this stock, which increased in 1990 over 1989.

Citizens Federal Bank operates 84 banking offices in five states. It operates as Citizens Federal Bank in its Florida, California and Virginia divisions; as Equitable Savings in its Ohio division; and as American Savings in its Illinois division.

CITIZENS SAVINGS FINANCIAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
THIRD QUARTER 1990 EARNINGS RELEASE
(based upon unaudited results of operations;
dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total income	$ 98,380	$110,550	$301,895	$321,087
Total expense	102,486	107,452	299,899	314,582
Income (loss) before income taxes & extraordinary items	(4,106)	3,098	1,996	6,505
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	35	(722)	50	(2,153)
Income (loss) before extraordinary items	(4,141)	3,820	1,946	8,658
Extraordinary items -- net of taxes (A)	14,263	--	14,263	801
Net income	$ 10,122	$ 3,820	$ 16,209	$ 9,459
Earnings per common share (B):				

Income (loss) before extraordinary items	$ (1.48)	$ 1.23	$ 0.35	$ 2.80
Extraordinary items -- net of taxes (A)	4.75	--	4.73	0.26
Net income	$ 3.27	$ 1.23	$ 5.08	$ 3.06
Weighted average common shares and common stock equivalents	3,003,306	3,086,069	3,013,135	3,052,164

Supplemental presentation of earnings per common share as if dividends not actually paid or accrued were imputed on the Series A Preferred Stock (B)(C):

Net income	$ 3.27	$ 1.23	$ 5.08	$ 3.06
Additional Series A Preferred Stock dividends, if imputed	(0.27)	(0.36)	(0.78)	(1.06)
Net income, if Series A Preferred Stock dividends were imputed	$ 3.00	$ 0.87	$ 4.30	$ 2.00

(unaudited, dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	At Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Total assets	$4,091,048	$4,435,048
Loans receivable -- net	$3,634,350	$3,917,902
Cash and investments	$ 268,733	$ 283,632
Deposits	$2,976,904	$2,877,773
Stockholders' equity	$ 232,460	$ 162,005
Stockholders' equity per common share	$ 33.11	$ 26.31
Yield on loans	9.79 pct.	10.16 pct.
Yield on investments (D)	9.26 pct.	9.81 pct.
Total yield on interest-earning assets	9.76 pct.	10.14 pct.
Cost of deposits	7.61 pct.	7.97 pct.
Cost of borrowings	8.52 pct.	9.01 pct.
Total cost of interest-bearing liabilities	7.81 pct.	8.31 pct.
Yield on loans less cost of deposits	2.18 pct.	2.19 pct.
Total yield on interest-earning assets less total cost of interest-bearing liabilities (interest rate spread)	1.95 pct.	1.83 pct.

(A) -- The net extraordinary gain of $14,263,000 (net of taxes) in the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 represents (1) an $11,207,000 gain (net of taxes and the write-off of unamortized capitalized issuance costs pertaining to the subordinated notes exchanged) on the exchange of shares of Citizens Federal Bank, a Federal Savings Bank's (the "bank") Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock and specified cash payments for $76,205,000 of its subordinated

notes; (2) the $3,302,000 tax benefit from utilization of net operating loss carryforwards; and (3) the $246,000 net loss on the prepayment of Federal Home Loan Bank ("FHLB") advances assumed by the bank in the American Savings Bank acquisition. The extraordinary gain of $801,000 (net of taxes) in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 represents the gain on the assumption of $20.0 million of below market rate FHLB advances of the bank by an independent third party in the second quarter of 1989.

(B) -- Earnings per common share were reduced by dividends paid or accrued on Citizens Savings Financial Corporation's (the "company") Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A (the "Series A Preferred Stock") and Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, Series C in the amount of approximately $300,000 and $35,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively, and approximately $901,000 and $107,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively. (C) -- The supplemental presentation of earnings per common share reflects the effect of the imputation of a market rate dividend on the company's Series A Preferred Stock which carries a below-market contractual dividend rate until 1992. The imputed dividend represents the difference between the dividends actually paid on the Series A Preferred Stock and the dividends that would be payable if dividends were based on an assumed market dividend rate. Dividends actually paid were $300,000 and $25,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively, and $900,000 and $75,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively. Dividends that would be payable if dividends were based on assumed rates were approximately $1,097,000 and $1,123,000, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively, and $3,262,000 and $3,327,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively. The market dividend rate assumed for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 was 5.3 percent.

(D) -- The yield on investments is provided on a taxable-equivalent basis. Adjustments have been made for the tax-exempt nature of the income from investments in state and local government securities and the tax advantaged nature of the income from investments in certain equity securities.

(E) -- The following presents the bank's compliance with the three capital standards that currently apply to savings institutions.

Tangible Capital Requirement. Savings institutions are required to maintain tangible capital of at least 1.5 percent of tangible assets. At Sept. 30, 1990 the bank had tangible capital of $167,942,000, which equaled 4.20 percent of tangible assets, exceeding the minimum requirement of $59,914,000 as of that date by $108,028,000.

Leverage Ratio Requirement. Savings institutions are also required to maintain "core capital" of at least 3.0 percent of adjusted tangible assets. At Sept. 30, 1990 the bank had core capital of $252,990,000, which equaled 6.29 percent of adjusted tangible assets, exceeding the minimum requirement of

$120,582,000 as of that date by $132,408,000.

Risk-based Capital Requirement. Savings institutions are required to maintain risk-based capital equal to 6.4 percent of risk-weighted assets. At Sept. 30, 1990 the bank had risk-based capital (total core and supplementary capital) of $296,111,000, which equaled 12.97 percent of risk-weighted assets, exceeding the minimum requirement of $146,148,000 as of that date by $149,963,000.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Guinness Management Limited, a Cayman Islands company whose chairman is The Hon. Jonathon B. Guinness, has entered into a 50 year development agreement with the Government of the Commonwealth of Dominica.

The agreement calls for the development of a luxury tourist resort, a residential community, a business and commerce center and an industrial park within 800+ lush and tropical acres of oceanfront land which Guinness Management has had under option since December of 1989.

The resort will be designed for several hotels, a golf course, swimming center tennis tournament facilities, marina and equestrian center. The private and secluded residential community will contain both vacation residences and condotel investment units. The Business Center will offer the first modern office center on Dominca drawing non-resident companies to the project. The Industrial Park will incorporate a tax free Export/Import Zone which will concentrate on labor intensive industry.

The entire 50-year project has been designated a Capital Intensive Enterprise under the Dominican Fiscal Incentive Act which means that Guinness Management and their investing and developing partners were granted a minimum of 15 years tax holiday for the entire project. Further, Guinness Management has been granted extensive duty free entry into Dominica for materials, supplies, equipment, tools and vehicles. The agreement also includes special work permit concessions which will guarantee companies who join in the development, work permits for the life of their Fiscal Incentives.

The agreement, dated Oct. 31, 1990, was signed by The Hon. M. Eugenia Charles as Prime Minister and by Byron G. Ellison as managing director of the company. Guinness Management maintains offices in London, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Grand Cayman and Dominica.

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#90313p5290 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. PAUL, MINN. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines today named John H. Dasburg president and chief executive officer.

Dasburg, previously executive vice president-finance and administration, succeeds Frederick B. Rentschler, who will remain as a director on the NWA Inc. board.

Rentschler resigned because of changing personal priorities and for family reasons.

"While I am sorry Fred is leaving our team, I understand the need to focus on overriding family and personal priorities. I respect his decision," Al Checchi, Northwest chairman, said.

"John Dasburg has impeccable business experience, he knows the importance of customer service in the travel industry, and he shares the vision of making Northwest the airline of preference for our customers and the best place to work for our employees," Checchi said.

Fred Malek, vice chairman, said: "John repeatedly has earned the respect and confidence of colleagues through the years. His expertise in all facets of the hospitality business will serve him well as president and CEO of Northwest."

Dasburg, who immediately assumes his new duties, joined Northwest in November 1989 after nine years at the Marriott Corporation. He held several positions with Marriott, including president of its Lodging Group, a $3.5 billion business with more than 100,000 employees. He was responsible for the full range of that corporation's lodging products, including Marriott's full-service hotels and resorts. Prior to that, he was Marriott's chief financial officer, and also was responsible for real estate development and architecture and construction programs.

Dasburg, 47, earned a master's degree in business administration, a law degree and an engineering degree from the University of Florida. He is married with two children and resides in Edina, Minn.

Rentschler said, "There are personal and family situations that require my time and energy. I leave Northwest with genuine regret. The people have been terrific, and the industry is exciting and gratifying.

"There is no doubt in my mind that John will be a leader in the travel industry. I wish the entire team well as Northwest becomes the airline preferred by travelers everywhere. I have no doubt they will be successful."

Northwest is the nation's fourth-largest airline, serving Asia, Europe, Mexico the Caribbean and 40 U.S. states.

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#90313p5292 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN BRUNO, CA (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was released today by North Lily Mining Co. (NASDAQ: NLMC):

The proposal for the amalgamation of the company's three Canadian subsidiaries on the following basis was overwhelmingly approved by shareholders of each subsidiary at Extraordinary General Meetings held Nov. 1, 1990:

Company	Old Shares	New Shares in surviving company
International Mahogany Corp.	1 Class A	1.0 Class A
International Mahogany Corp.	1 Class B	1.0 Class B
Goldsil Resources Ltd.	1 Common	0.22 Class B
Magellan Resources Corp.	1 Common	0.22 Class B

The companies expect to submit the proposed amalgamation to the Supreme Court of British Columbia for approval on Nov. 9, 1990. The effective date of the amalgamation is anticipated to be Dec. 1, 1990. On completion of the amalgamation, North Lily will control 59.29 percent of the new International Mahogany Corp.

The proposed amalgamation greatly simplifies the otherwise complex corporate structure of the North Lily Group. It will also result in a corporation with a larger asset base and capitalization, which will provide a broader market for its shares. Management's time and efforts may now be focused on one subsidiary which should assist operating activities and decrease administrative costs.

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#90313p5294 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUDSON, MASS (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - National Transaction Network, Inc. (NTN), a public company (OTC), announced today the closing of a Private Placement Financing with BCE (Bell Canada Enterprises) Venture Capital Inc. of 2,200,000 shares of common stock for $440,000. Until Nov. 30, 1990, an additional investor has the option to match this investment of BCE. The proceeds of this financing will be used to supplement the company's working capital.

NTN, headquartered in Hudson, Mass., designs, markets and maintains electronic payment systems for use in the retail and banking industries. NTN specializes in payment terminals and system controllers offering data security and ease of operation. NTN has strategic alliances with International VERIFACT, Inc. and International Business Machines (IBM) for providing payment terminals and software.

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#90313p5296 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

HEBRON, KY (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Today, Delta Air Lines' (NYSE: DAL) officials were joined by local dignitaries and guests in ceremonies opening a new $20 million maintenance hangar at the Greater Cincinnati International Airport.

The $20 million hangar will house up to four Delta jet aircraft simultaneously and allow Delta's technical operations staff to maintain or modify aircraft day or night in all weather conditions.

In remarks at the dedication ceremonies, Delta's Julian May, senior vice president-technical operations, said: "This facility is part of a continuing planned expansion at Greater Cincinnati International Airport. You may know, Delta recently announced plans for a new Cincinnati flight center. Plans will double the number of gates, add to the baggage claim area, expand refueling operations, add a high-speed, tracked people-mover system to transport passengers underground along a 2,000 linear foot tunnel connecting the new Terminal D with the existing Concourse D and the new Concourse E, with a basic construction cost estimated at $315 million.

"All of the facilities that we've built and the improvements that we undertake obviously are important to Delta," May continued. "At the same time, this work -- and the flights and services that it supports -- is important to Cincinnati and northern Kentucky as you move your economy forward to become one of the world's major air transportation centers."

Dorsey Jones, Delta's district director of marketing for Cincinnati, explained why Delta's hub operations -- which will be strengthened by the maintenance facility and other expansion -- will have important economic benefits for the community.

"Extensive air service is a major selling point for any community seeking to expand its economic base. Delta currently has 145 daily flights here and effective February 1, 1991, Delta will add another 8 daily flights -- bringing our operation to 153 daily flights. Service will be inaugurated between Cincinnati and two new destinations -- Rochester and Syracuse, New York, plus

additional flights to existing markets."

Airport Board Chairman Paul Michels commenting on today's dedication of the maintenance hangar and the announcement of added services at Cincinnati, said: "Delta's continuing development of their Cincinnati operation is a further indication of their level of support of the tri-state area. Delta is truly positioning the Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky area into the global arena for business and tourism."

The new hangar -- 260 feet wide, 175 feet deep, and 66 feet high -- will include support shops, offices, spare parts storage, aircraft aprons, and access taxiways. It will house various mixes of Delta jets, including up to four narrow-body jets or one wide-body jet and two smaller jets.

Delta's hub at Cincinnati has evolved into a major world air transportation center in that persons traveling through Cincinnati have convenient access to the more than 175 cities Delta serves in 14 countries worldwide. With 145 daily flights (153 effective Feb. 1, 1991) Delta provides nonstop service to 55 destinations (57 effective Feb. 1, 1991), including nonstop service to three international destinations -- London, Frankfurt and Paris.

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#90313p5298 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) has announced an expansion of domestic service from its Cincinnati and Orlando hubs on Feb. 1, 1991.

From Delta's Cincinnati hub, where the airline recently announced a $315 million airport expansion, Delta will add new nonstop service to Rochester and Syracuse. The new schedule will feature two daily round-trips to both cities and increases the airline's daily departures from Cincinnati to 153. Delta already serves Rochester and Syracuse from its Atlanta hub with two flights daily. In addition, at Cincinnati on Feb. 1, Delta will add additional flights to both Jacksonville and Fort Myers.

From its Orlando hub, where Delta recently opened a new 24-gate flight center, the airline will add nonstop service to Providence, bringing to 77 the number of daily flights Delta operates out of the Florida city. Delta already features service to Providence from its Atlanta hub.

At Orlando five days later, on Feb. 6, Delta introduces Orlando's first-ever service to Tokyo when Delta's new MD-11 aircraft begins one-stop service via Los Angeles.

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#90313p5301 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert J. Hammarley, a USAir DC-9 first officer and chairman of the USAir pilots Master Executive Council, has been selected to serve as executive administrator of the Air Line Pilots Association.

Hammarley's appointment was announced by ALPA's President-Elect, Capt. Randy Babbitt. Babbitt, who is the current executive administrator of ALPA, will take office as president on Jan. 1, 1991, along with Hammarley.

"Bob will bring to this office a tremendous range of experience in airline labor," said Babbitt. "He has sat on both sides of the bargaining table, he is chairman of ALPA's third-largest pilot group, and he is firmly committed both to the standards of our profession, and to the values of organized labor, including elimination of the B-Scale," Babbitt said. (Hammarley himself still is paid under the airline's lower paying "B-Scale.")

Hammarley, age 48, joined USAir in 1986 and took office in January 1990 as chairman of the USAir pilots Master Executive Council. Earlier USAir positions included membership on the pilots Negotiating Committee and the "No B-Scale" Committee. Shortly after he assumed the Master Executive Council chairmanship, USAir's pilots negotiated a new contract that improved the USAir pilots' B-Scale by paying what at the time were the highest end pay rates in the industry for newly hired pilots.

Previously he had worked 13 years at Frontier Airlines, including three years as director of flight operations, planning and control, as well as 10 years as a line pilot. At Frontier he was chairman of the pilots alcohol assistance committee, chairman of the accident investigation committee, and he played an instrumental role in the attempted employee buy-out of Frontier.

His military experience includes five years in the Air Force where he was a C-141 aircraft commander. He holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from John Carroll University in Cleveland.

Hammarley is a native of Decatur, Ala. He and his wife, Gail, reside in the Pittsburgh area.

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#90313p5302 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire
ALLENTOWN, PA (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Penn Treaty American Corp. (NASDAQ: PTAC) reported today that net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990

totalled $771,305 or 24 cents per share, compared to $1,366,612 or 55 cents per share for the same three-month period the previous year.

Revenues for the quarter totalled $11,014,600, a 35 percent increase over the previous year's three-month period. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income totalled $3,573,549 or $1.11 per share, compared to $3,423,747 or $1.37 per share for the comparable period in the previous year. The company's prior year three- and nine-month periods included a one-time gain of 9 cents per share due to the sale of the company's former headquarters building. Total revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $31,831,036, a 44 percent increase over the previous nine-month period revenues of $22,111,587.

Irving Levit, president and chief executive officer, stated "The third quarter results continued to reflect the impact of inadequate rates on Medicare supplement products sold in late 1989 and early 1990 primarily in Florida and Pennsylvania. We believe we have taken the steps necessary to reduce the amount of business written in this product line and to increase rates for existing and new business. We believe the rate increases now being implemented combined with a decrease in Medicare supplement products as a percent of our overall business should allow improved results in the future. Most importantly our primary product, long-term care insurance, remains highly profitable and we remain optimistic about the company's continued growth." Long-term care insurance products currently account for approximately 80 percent of the company's revenues, while Medicare supplement and other insurance products account for the remaining 20 percent.

Penn Treaty American Corp., through its wholly owned direct and indirect subsidiaries, Penn Treaty Life Insurance Co., Network America Life Insurance Co. and Cher-Britt Service Co., is primarily engaged in the underwriting, marketing and sale of individual, fixed, defined benefit accident and health insurance products principally covering long-term nursing home care and home health care products. The company is licensed to conduct business in 43 states and the District of Columbia.

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#90313p5304 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Danninger Medical Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: DANN) announced today that net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $110,373, compared to $79,539 for the same period last year. This represents earnings per share of 2 cents versus 2 cents a year ago. Total sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $2.2 million, an increase of 95 percent.

Year-to-date results reflect solid growth during 1990. Thus far, total sales are $5.6 million versus $3.1 million a year ago, an increase of 80 percent. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 is $397,327, versus a loss of $17,777 for the same period last year.

Dr. Edward R. Funk, chairman, commented, "We are pleased with the company's continued progress. During this period of substantial growth, our attention is focused on strengthening management and systems so that Danninger can successfully achieve its long-term objectives."

Third quarter performance was favorably influenced by several key factors. First, the Danniflex 900(TM), a continuous passive motion device for the hand, completed its first full quarter of sales, which provided significant new revenues. Second, the company's products continue to benefit from broader channels of distribution in both domestic and international markets. Third, Cross Medical Products' Puno/Winter/Byrd Pedicle Screw System, which is subject to an FDA Investigational Device Exemption, has now been implanted in more than 100 patients.

Danninger Medical Technology, Inc., headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, designs, manufactures, and markets electromechanical medical devices for patient recovery following surgery or trauma as well as instrumentation and implants for surgery of the spine.

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#90313p5307 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAWRENCEVILLE, N.J. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of American Reliance Group, Inc. (AMEX: ARI) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.11 per share payable on Dec. 7, 1990, to holders of record as of Nov. 20, 1990.

American Reliance Group, Inc. is a regional property and casualty insurance holding company which specializes in providing coverage for small to medium size businesses and individuals in rural and suburban locations.

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#90313p5309 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWPORT NEWS, VA (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Flight International Group, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FLTI) announced today that it has now reached final agreements with the lenders who last year sued the company as a result of its default on

an aggregate of approximately $63 million in outstanding loans and who had not previously settled such lawsuits.

The company's announcement today relates to the remaining $34.1 million in previously defaulted debt owing to five lenders. The company reached agreements in principle with such lenders on Oct. 30, 1990, and final documents have now been executed. The final agreements waived the defaults, extended the payment terms of the loans and included agreements to settle the related lawsuits.

The company also announced that in connection with such agreements, the company has agreed to issue to each of two of the five lenders approximately 196,000 authorized but previously unissued shares of common stock equal to 4.9 percent of its currently outstanding common stock. With the execution of these documents, Flight International has restructured, brought current or paid off all of its defaulted debt.

The company also said that it had mailed its 1990 proxy statement to stockholders and expects to hold the annual meeting of stockholders on Nov. 30.

The Flight International Group, Inc. is a leader in aviation services with interests in government and military contracts as well as commercial flight operations.

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#90313p5310 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MICH (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Franklin Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: FSVB) today announced the addition of $3 million to its allowance for possible loan losses. This increase is the result of a recently completed examination by the Office of Thrift Supervision ("OTS").

Franklin will file an appeal with the OTS regulators challenging the amount of the allowance increase. Management attributes the OTS action primarily to national regulatory hysteria over deteriorating real estate lending and industry abuses.

Franklin's allowance for possible loan losses will approximate $4.6 million after the addition, or 1.24 percent of total loans at Sept. 30, 1990. Relative to total loans, this is similar to reserves maintained by commercial banks. However, it is much higher than reserves typically maintained by most savings and loans.

"The added reserves substantially improve Franklin's ability to absorb future losses," said President and CEO Read P. Dunn. "However, in our opinion, this

increase does not accurately reflect the condition of Franklin's loan portfolio."

Losses charged to Franklin's loan loss allowance for the past three years averaged less than $230,000 per year. Dunn indicated that Franklin's non-performing assets have increased during the past year due to the softening Michigan economy, although not to an alarming degree. Total non-performing assets, net of loan loss allowances of $1.7 million at Sept. 30, 1990, were 1.78 percent.

In arriving at the addition to Franklin's allowance, the OTS criticized many fully performing loans. Among the loans classified, approximately 70 percent were not past due 30 or more days at the time of the exam. Ironically, the largest category represented, or approximately 35 percent of the total loans classified, are apartment projects in southeastern Michigan. Dunn noted that apartments continue to be one of the healthiest elements in the local real estate market.

Despite continued profitability from traditional banking activities, this one-time allowance increase will result in Franklin reporting a substantial earnings loss for the current quarter as well as the fiscal year to end June 30, 1991.

Effective Dec. 31, 1990, total stockholders' equity is projected to be approximately $11 million, or $11.60 per share. In addition, this action will have the effect of reducing Franklin's core capital below core capital requirements. As a result, Franklin will file a revised Capital Plan with the OTS. Risk-based capital, which includes reserves and subordinated debt, is unaffected by this action and remains at approximately $21.8 million.

Franklin Savings Bank, with $406 million in assets, has administrative offices and one regional branch in Southfield. Additional regional offices are in Grosse Pointe Woods and Birmingham. Wholly owned subsidiaries Franklin Commercial Mortgage Group and Franklin Home Lending Group are in the Southfield administrative offices.

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#90313p5311 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHFIELD, Ill. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Stepan Company (AMEX: SCL) today declared a 14 percent increase in the company's quarterly cash dividend on its common stock to 16 cents per share, up from 14 cents per share. The new quarterly dividend is payable on Dec. 15, 1990 to stockholders of record on Dec. 1. The increase brings the annual dividend rate to 64 cents per share.

The increase declared at today's meeting marks the 23rd consecutive year in which the quarterly dividend rate has been increased. The company first initiated a cash dividend policy in 1967.

Stepan Company, headquartered in Northfield, Ill., is a leading producer of basic and intermediate chemicals used in household, industrial, personal care, agricultural and energy-related products.

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#90313p5313 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOWELL, MA (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - COMFED BANCORP, INC. (AMEX: CFK) announced today a loss of $59.3 million, or $7.10 per share, for its fiscal 1991 second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the comparable quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, COMFED reported net income of $11,000.

For the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, COMFED posted a loss of $65.3 million, or $7.81 per share, compared to a loss of $3.6 million, or 44 cents per share for the first six months of the previous fiscal year.

Reflecting a continuing decline in the New England real estate market, a weakened regional economy and the ongoing quality assessment of certain loan portfolio segments, COMFED made additional provisions for estimated losses on loans and foreclosed real estate of $52.3 million during the quarter. Additionally, results for the quarter were adversely affected by loss of interest income, workout expenses, and foreclosure costs associated with COMFED's non-performing assets. At Sept. 30, 1990, non-performing assets totaled $203.7 million, including loans on non-accrual status of $148.7 million and real estate owned or substantively repossessed of $55.0 million. At June 30, 1990, non-performing assets amounted to $194 million.

Total reserves for loan losses at Sept. 30, 1990, were $74 million, compared to $42.4 million at June 30, 1990.

As a result of its second quarter loss, COMFED's tangible capital at Sept. 30, 1990 declined to a negative $77.5 million. Stockholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990 was a negative $28.2 million, compared to a positive $31.1 million at June 30, 1990.

COMFED BANCORP, INC. is a $1.3 billion asset holding company headquartered in Lowell, Mass.

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#90313p5314 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - American Oil and Gas Corp. (AMEX: AOG) today announced the following results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30 1990:

	(In thousands, except per share amounts)			
	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989 (Restated)	1990	1989 (Restated)
Revenues	$88,283	$27,901	$328,756	$ 81,083
Operating income (loss)	8,140	(145)	16,834	529
Equity in loss of WellTech, Inc.	(500)	(7,103)	(2,560)	(13,514)
Other income (expenses)	(1,328)	(2)	(4,544)	513
Net income (loss)	6,312	(7,250)	9,730	(12,472)
Net income (loss) applicable to common stock	5,325	(7,676)	6,481	(13,750)
Net income (loss) per common share	0.32	(0.91)	0.39	(1.63)

American Oil and Gas Corp. reported significant increases in its revenues and operating income as compared to the same periods in 1989. The increase is primarily a result of AOG's acquisition of the natural gas pipeline business of Cabot Corp., which was effective Nov. 1, 1989, and measures implemented to improve the operations of the acquired business.

Third quarter results also reflect the favorable impact of (1) continued hot and dry weather conditions in the company's primary service area which extended the period of heavy demand from agricultural and electric utility customers; (2) improved coordination and matching of purchases and sales transactions; (3) renegotiation of transportation arrangements; (4) higher sales prices for natural gas liquids; and (5) improved efficiencies in field operations.

The company's ownership of WellTech Inc. was reduced to 51 percent from 100 percent effective Sept. 30, 1989. The company's investment in WellTech is presented using the equity method of accounting, and the 1989 operating results have been restated. WellTech's operating results have improved during 1990 compared to 1989 because of better rig utilization, higher rates per rig hour and lower operating/administrative expenses.

Currently, the company and WellTech's other shareholders are negotiating with third parties the terms of a recapitalization plan for WellTech. Under proposed terms of the agreement, the third parties would retire certain of

WellTech's indebtedness and make a substantial equity contribution in exchange for a majority of WellTech's common stock. This recapitalization would have the effect of reducing the company's ownership interest from 51 percent to below 20 percent. The company anticipates this recapitalization will be completed prior to Dec. 31, 1990.

As previously announced, the company executed an agreement subsequent to Sept. 30, 1990 pertaining to the sale of a 17 mile pipeline system (Big Three System) and the release from all contractual obligations to supply or transport gas to the facilities serviced by this system. Under the terms of the sale, the company will receive 513,310 shares of its common stock. This transaction is expected to close prior to Dec. 31, 1990.

American Oil and Gas Corp. is engaged primarily in the natural gas gathering, transportation and marketing business.

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#90313p5316 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - First Union Corporation (NYSE: FTU FTUpr) today announced that it expects to report 1990 net income of approximately $270 million to $280 million, or $2.50 to $2.60 per common share. These results would represent an increase of approximately 4 to 8 percent over 1989 earnings of $256 million, or $2.40 per share.

The expected 1990 results are somewhat lower than the company earlier indicated and reflect the continued softening of the economic environment. Expected fourth quarter earnings of approximately $45 to $55 million, or 40 to 50 cents per common share, would reflect an increase over $39.6 million, or 37 cents per share, reported for the fourth quarter 1989.

Using the midpoint of the earnings estimate, this outlook assumes a fourth quarter provision for loan losses of approximately $80 million compared to the third quarter provision of $35 million.

It further assumes fourth quarter net charge-offs of approximately $50 million or .74 percent of average net loans, compared to $37 million, or .56 of average net loans, in the third quarter. Net charge-offs for the year are expected to be approximately $150 million, or .58 percent of average net loans.

The allowance for loan losses is expected to increase $30 million from the $425 million reported at Sept. 30, 1990, to $455 million.

The year-end allowance for loan losses is expected to be approximately 75 percent of nonperforming loans. Nonperforming assets at year end are expected to increase approximately 15 percent form the Sept. 30 level of $684 million

and should not exceed 3 percent of total loans.

First Union Corporation officials expect that expense growth for 1990 will be minimal after adjusting for the acquisition of Florida National Banks of Florida, Inc. The net interest margin will remain above 4 percent and the corporation's capital ratios will remain well above required levels.

First Union Corporation reported assets of $39.1 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990 and operated 764 statewide banking offices in North Carolina, South Carolina, Gerogia and Florida, one banking office in Tennessee and 277 nonbanking offices in 36 states.

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JACKSON, MI (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company's new economic development video promoting business opportunity in the state, "Michigan: State of the Future," has won a national award for excellence.

The 11-minute video received the 1990 Economic Development Excellence Award from the Washington, D.C.-based Edison Electric Institute, the 179-member national utility organization. Consumers Power's video was judged the most outstanding of 20 entries submitted by utilities located throughout the United States.

"Our efforts are directed at providing companies, both in the United States and around the world, with a better understanding of the unique opportunities for growth in Michigan which so many other companies have discovered," said Paul A. Elbert, the utility's vice president of marketing, rates and wholesale power transactions.

Consumers Power has also produced award-winning economic development videos promoting Oakland County, Kalamazoo County, Jackson County, Muskegon County and the Traverse City area.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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TULSA, OK (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - T/SF Communications Corp. (AMEX: TCM) of Tulsa, Okla., announced today that its previously announced preliminary agreement to acquire the Arizona Pennysaver, a 525,000 free circulation shopper newspaper in Phoenix, Ariz., from Cox Enterprises of Atlanta, has been terminated by the mutual agreement of T/SF and Cox pursuant to conditions contained in the preliminary agreement.

T/SF stated that Cox had informed it that it would continue to seek a buyer for the Arizona Pennysaver. T/SF will continue to review the potential acquisition, possibly in conjunction with a joint venture partner, but without any formal agreement or letter of intent.

T/SF Communications has been active in recent years in acquiring advertising publications in major markets. In addition to shopper newspapers with weekly circulation of approximately 1,250,000, T/SF owns one daily newspaper, The Tulsa Tribune. several trade publications, a convention and trade show publishing company and an information service company.

CONTACT: G. Douglas Fox, Howard G. Barnett, Jr., or Robert E. Craine, Jr., all of T/SF Communications Corp., (918) 747-2600; or William B. Disbrow or David C. Scott, both of Cox Enterprises Inc., (404) 843-7921.

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CHICAGO, (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First Chicago Corp. (NYSE: FNB) today declared a regular quarterly common stock dividend of 50 cents per share, which is unchanged from the previous dividend, and is payable on Jan. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

First Chicago also said it will reinstate its Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan, effective with the Jan. 1, 1991 dividend.

Chairman Barry F. Sullivan said, "This program offers our stockholders an easy and convenient method of increasing their ownership in First Chicago. At the same time, the capital base of the corporation is strengthened with the issuance of new stock through the Plan."

The Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan provides holders of First Chicago's common stock the ability to invest cash dividends in additional shares of the stock. Key features of the plan include a 4 percent discount in the purchase price of new stock with reinvested dividends, and no brokerage commissions or service charges. In addition, stockholders participating in the plan may make optional cash purchases of First Chicago's common stock up to $5,000 per month, without the discount.

Stockholders will be receiving enrollment information and other details about the plan around Dec. 1.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - First Chicago Corp. (NYSE: FNB) today said that Adele Simmons, president of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, has been appointed a director of the corporation and of The First National Bank of Chicago.

Simmons joined the MacArthur Foundation, one of the nation's largest private philanthropic foundations with assets of more than $3 billion, in 1989. Previously, she served as president of Hampshire College in Amherst, Mass., beginning in 1977.

From 1972 through 1977, Simmons was dean of student affairs at Princeton University, and she was dean of Jackson College at Tufts University from 1970 through 1972.

Simmons serves on the boards of the Marsh & McLennan Companies and Affiliated Publications. She is also a board member of the Union of Concerned Scientists, and Synergos, a non-profit organization committed to eradicating poverty throughout the world.

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ANNVILLE, PA. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Mineral Fiber Specialists (MFS), a Bethlehem, Pa.-based firm, and American Energy Products (AEP), of Covina, Calif., today announced the acquisition of 50 percent of the stock in AEP by MFS.

MFS manufactures and markets glass-like fibers that are derived from iron making blast furnace slag which are then used as raw materials in the production of ceiling tiles, building board, and other structural and insulating materials.

AEP develops, manufactures and markets proprietary Underwriters Laboratories-approved and asbestos-free fireproofing, insulating and acoustical products for application to internal beams, girders, columns, decks and walls of buildings. The products prevent damage to these steel-supporting elements in the event of fire. AEP will use a portion of the MFS output as a raw material.

The association of the two companies will be known as Structural Coatings Inc.

and will be headed up by David Noyes, president, with offices in Anaheim, Calif.

At the same, R.M. Funk, managing partner of MFS and chief financial officer for Structural Coatings, announced that beginning January 1991, products for Structural Coatings will be produced in a newly completed facility in Bethlehem. Other manufacturing locations are planned for 1991 to serve the entire U.S. market and the Canadian market. The new Bethlehem facility began to produce industrial insulating cement products Nov. 1, 1990, for Insulco, a recently acquired company of MFS and known previously as Insulation Industries of New Jersey. Funk also confirmed that MFS is negotiating the expansion of its Bethlehem fiber production capacity as well as the construction of a new West Coast facility.

CONTACT: R.M. Funk of Resource Analysis, 717-867-3968

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#90313p5336 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENSBORO, NC (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Vanguard Cellular Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: VCELA) reported today that revenues increased to $16,854,000 for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990, a 38 percent increase from 1989 third quarter revenues of $12,242,000. Revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 were $47,441,000, a 52 percent increase over revenues of $31,284,000 for the same period last year. Increases in revenues during both the quarter and the nine months ended September 30, 1990 were primarily due to growth in service revenues which increased 46 percent and 66 percent from the 1989 third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1989, respectively.

Loss from operations before depreciation and amortization decreased 37 percent from $4,705,000 during the 1989 third quarter to $2,951,000 during the 1990 third quarter and decreased 46 percent from $16,001,000 to $8,592,000 during the nine months ended September 30, 1989 and 1990, respectively.

The number of customers in markets controlled by the Company continued to grow increasing to 55,300 or a 70 percent increase from September 30, 1989. Commenting on the results, Haynes G. Griffin, Vanguard's President and Chief Executive Officer, said, "We are encouraged by the strong growth in both service revenues and the number of customers served, especially during a period of recessionary concerns. We are also pleased with the declines in operating losses from last year and believe that the Company is continuing as planned towards positive operating cash flow in 1991. We believe our capital base and $325 million credit facility have positioned us well during this period of economic uncertainty."

For the third quarter, the Company reported a net loss of $11,065,000 or $0.54 per share, compared to a net loss of $10,243,000 or $0.50 per share during the 1989 third quarter. The increase in the net loss was primarily attributable

to increased interest expense related to outstanding borrowings under the line of credit.

The Company also announced today the completion of an acquisition of the majority interest in the Williamsport, Pennsylvania cellular market. "The acquisition of Williamsport brings the total number of cellular markets served in our Pennsylvania supersystem to nine. This addition will allow us to expand the wide area and seamless services we provide to our customers through one of the largest telecommunication networks in this part of the country," said Stephen R. Leeolou, Vanguard's Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer.

Vanguard Cellular Systems, Inc. headquartered in Greensboro, North Carolina, directly and indirectly owns interests in and operates cellular telephone systems primarily in the Eastern United States.

VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,		9 Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Service fees	$ 14,312	$ 9,786	$ 38,954	$ 23,486
Cellular telephone leases	184	309	612	1,040
Cellular telephone sales	2,112	2,067	7,157	6,539
Cellular directory advertising fees	246	80	718	219
	16,854	12,242	47,441	31,284
Cost and Expenses:				
Cost of service	4,373	3,434	11,900	8,979
Cost of cellular telephone leases	74	378	840	1,251
Cost of cellular telephone sales	2,703	3,473	7,812	9,236
Cost of cellular directory publication	669	108	1,464	690
Marketing and selling	5,270	4,543	13,928	13,040
General and administrative	6,716	5,011	20,089	14,089
	19,805	16,947	56,033	47,285
Loss from Operations before Depreciation and Amortization	(2,951)	(4,705)	(8,592)	(16,001)
Depreciation and amortization of deferred cellular license acquisition costs	3,158	3,008	10,012	8,410

Loss from Operations	(6,109)	(7,713)	(18,604)	(24,411)
Equity in losses of unconsolidated cellular entities	(13)	(159)	(591)	(453)
Gain on exchanges of cellular interests	2	1,144	622	2,138
Interest expense	(5,094)	(3,941)	(14,033)	(11,822)
Interest income	236	193	599	724
Loss Before Minority Interests	(10,978)	(10,476)	(32,007)	(33,824)
Minority interests	(87)	233	226	1,035
Net Loss	$(11,065)	$ (10,243)	$ (31,781)	$ (32,789)
Net Loss Per Share	$ (0.54)	$ (0.50)	$ (1.54)	$ (1.60)
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding	20,658,612	20,485,109	20,624,156	20,449,352

CONTACT: Rich Preyer, Steve Holcombe or Stan Haines of Vanguard Cellular Systems, Inc., 919-282-3690

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RYE, NY (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Supradur Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: SUPD), today reported the results of its operations for the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990.

Sales for the third quarter were $6,721,000 as compared to $6,313,000 for the same period in 1989. The company incurred a net loss during the period of $819,000 or 91 cents per common share compared to net income of $124,000 or 13 cents per share in 1989. For the nine months, sales were $20,099,000 compared to $19,334,000 in the same period last year. Net loss for the nine months was $2,746,000 or $3.03 per share compared to net income of $913,000 or 97 cents per share in 1989. Included in the 1990 year-to-date amount is a foreign currency loss of $26,000 compared to an $8,000 loss in 1989.

K. Fred Netter, president, reported that the loss for the quarter was in part attributable to losses incurred at the new Montreal facility. This business' sales volume has not reached the level required for profitability even though sales for the quarter increased 16 percent over the second quarter. He said that the domestic building material business in Wind Gap, Pa., operated profitably for the quarter and should continue to do so for the balance of the year.

Sales in the high-tech machining and sheet metal business declined 21 percent over the second quarter causing an operating loss. Many of the items sold were new bookings to the facilities which are not as profitable as "repeat" business, which had been the historical norm.

Netter also stated, "even though the company has incurred large losses in 1990 we have tremendous progress with our effort to produce asbestos-free products. The company still remains financially strong as indicated by the $13.71 per common share book value."

Supradur Companies, Inc. is a diversified company with operating subsidiaries throughout the United States, Canada and Europe.

SUPRADUR COMPANIES, INC.
(Consolidated, unaudited)

Periods ended:	Quarter		Nine months	
	9/30/90	10/1/90	9/30/90	10/1/90
Sales	$6,721,000	$6,313,000	$20,099,000	$19,334,000
Foreign currency gain (loss)	26,000	31,000	(26,000)	(8,000)
Income (loss) before taxes	(932,000)	421,000	(2,927,000)	1,811,000
Taxes	(113,000)	297,000	(181,000)	898,000
Net income (loss)	819,000	124,000	(2,746,000)	913,000
Income (loss) per common share	($.91)	$.13	($3.03)	$.97
Average shares outstanding	906,500	934,000	910,274	933,995

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#90313p5346 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Y&A Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: YGRP) announced today it has secured its tenth acquisition since 1988 with the addition of Dryden & LaRue to its team of engineering consulting firms. Dryden & LaRue, a professional engineering consulting firm, located in Anchorage, Alaska, specializes in the design of T&D systems for electric utilities thoughout the state.

Dryden & LaRue, with more than 20 years of T&D experience in Alaska, has had an established working relationship with the principals of Y&A for over a decade and has completed several joint venture projects with the company. In addition to performing professional T&D services for substantially all electric utilities in Alaska including Alaska Power Authority, the company has been directly involved in providing the required engineering support to the oil industry and is poised to respond to this industry's increasing opportunities in Alaska.

Malcolm Cheek, president, Y&A Group, stated, "Dryden & LaRue is an excellent addition to our core business as it strengthens our internal T&D expertise and

adds immediately to our earnings capability. During the balance of 1990 and 1991 we will continue to expand our geographic presence to a national level, taking full advantage of the favorable industry conditions which exist today in our electric utility niche market."

Y&A Group, Inc. through its principal operating subsidiaries, provides professional engineering services in essentially all disciplines related to the electric utility industry, as well as segments of the residential, commercial and industrial industries. Y&A maintains offices in Missouri, Florida, North Carolina, Wisconsin and Alaska, as well as international offices in Thailand and Malaysia.

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#90313p5349 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - With its popularity among consumers and the automotive media showing no signs of abating, the Mazda MX-5 Miata has garnered its most recent prestigious automotive award -- being named as one of Road & Track magazine's "Ten Best Cars in the World." In addition, the magazine also selected the Miata as the "Best Sports/GT" in the $13,000 - $21,000 class.

The list of award winners, which appears in the magazine's December 1990 issue, also includes such automobiles as the Ferrari 348; Porsche Carrera 4; Mercedes-Benz 300E and 500SL, and BMW M5. The $14,200 Miata was the only vehicle in this illustrious group with a base price under $35,000.

In naming the Miata to their list of the "Ten Best Cars in the World," Road & Track stated, "The Miata manages to combine all the honesty, spirit and image of the classic sports car with the reliability and durability we've come to expect. The Miata is a driver's car of the first order, with communicative steering, a responsive throttle ... and a gear lever that could have coined the work 'snick.' Think of the Miata as a terrific automotive pal."

Clark J. Vitulli, chief operating officer of Mazda Motor of America Inc., said of the award, "We are proud of the accolades which the Miata has received from both consumers and the automotive media. This recognition from one of the leading automotive publications is proof positive that Mazda has created a true sports car of enduring value."

Other significant awards won by the Miata since it was introduced include Automobile magazine's first ever "Automobile of the Year" award; being named one of the five "World's Best Cars" by Road & Track; selection as the "Best Sports Car" by the Motorweek television automotive magazine; inclusion on Car and Driver magazine's list of the "10 Best" cars for 1990, and being ranked as

the most "trouble- free" sports car in the 1990 J.D. Power and Associates New Car Initial Quality Study (IQS)(sm).

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#90313p5354 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MORRISTOWN, NJ (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T's (NYSE: T) UNIX System Laboratories Inc. (USL), today announced that it has established a liaison agreement with the 88open Consortium, an independent organization of software and systems suppliers supporting Motorola's 88000 family of RISC microprocessors.

Under this agreement, the two organizations will coordinate activities in the areas of UNIX System(R) V Release 4 compatibility, independent software vendor (ISV) programs, and support for industry standards.

"By creating a formal association with 88open, and by continuing to work closely with SPARC International, MIPS and Intel processor groups, we can ensure close cooperation in our mutual efforts to increase the number of shrinkwrapped applications for UNIX System V Release 4," said Larry Dooling, president of USL.

Mace said that USL's association with 88open will result in increased coordination in ISV programs. The two organizations are already cooperating in a wide range of activities, including a strong program to bring DOS ISVs into the UNIX System market.

88open is an independent member organization of software and systems suppliers supporting Motorola's 88000 family of RISC microprocessors. With more than 50 members worldwide, 88open focuses on the certification of software applications across a variety of 88000 based platforms, including servers, workstations, personal computers, portables, fault tolerant systems, and real time systems. The consortium employs 25 people in the San Jose office, and maintains 88open International Centres at member company facilities in Maidenhead, U.K.; Oslo, Norway; and Frankfurt, Germany.

UNIX System Laboratories Inc. (USL), a subsidiary of AT&T, develops and markets UNIX System V and related system software in source code form to computer hardware and systems software vendors worldwide. Headqurtered in Summit, N.J., USL was formerly known as AT&T's UNIX Software Operation.

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#90313p5355 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ERIE, PA. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Military personnel stationed in the Persian Gulf will get a taste of home this holiday season through a unique program introduced Thursday by Marine Bank, a PNC Financial Corp (NYSE: PNC) affiliate headquartered in Erie, Pa.

According to Marine Bank President David Zuern, the program, named "Operation Mail Call," has been created to help boost the morale of U.S. military personnel who will be away from home during the upcoming holidays. As part of the program, Marine will be shipping letter mail and cards to soldiers, sailors and Marines free of charge.

"Marine Bank is very proud to sponsor Operation Mail Call," said Zuern. "In this small way, we can share one of our most treasured blessings -- our freedom -- with those who are hard at work protecting it."

To participate in Operation Mail Call, residents in Marine Bank's service area have been asked to write a letter or holiday greeting addressed to "Any Service Member." Individuals may then take the mail to any of the bank's 46 community offices, and the bank will pick up the tab on the postage.

The letters are to be distributed to land- and sea-based units stationed throughout the gulf. Letters personally addressed to specific personnel are not accepted in "Operation Mail Call."

As part of the program, each person who brings a piece of mail into one of Marine's community offices will receive a yellow ribbon with the slogan, "Operation Mail Call" printed on it. The ribbons commemorate each person's support and serve as a reminder of those who are defending freedom, a spokesman for the bank said.

Operation Mail Call is expected to run through Friday, Dec. 14. Veterans groups, schools and social organizations in the northwestern Pennsylvania region have been encouraged to participate in the program.

Individuals who want to learn more about Operation Mail Call should contact the marketing department at Marine Bank in Erie, Pa., at 814-871-9361.

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#90313p5359 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - David H. Weis, president, Thermal Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: THMP), today reported first quarter results.

THERMAL INDUSTRIES INC.

Quarter Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$8,271,000	$7,706,000
Net income	734,000	200,000
Net income per share	$.38	$.10

Comments: Seven percent first quarter sales increase resulted from higher unit sales, selective price increases and improved product mix. Continued productivity improvements and cost controls contributed to the substantially higher net income. Strong billings have continued through October, but present economic conditions make it impossible to predict full-year results.

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#90313p5362 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, N.J. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - One year after the beginning of a democratic government in Czechoslovakia, Continental Airlines and its employees are joining in an international effort to provide western literature to the people of Czechoslovakia.

The airline, along with the Prague Spring Foundation (PSF), will fly more than 20,000 books to Czechoslovakia during the next few months. Project Booklift will begin its inaugural flight from Newark International Airport, today.

According to Michael Holmes, vice president of human resources of Continental Airlines, the response from employees to the program has been "outstanding."

"Our employees have embraced the concept that reading plays an important role in helping the Czech people transform their nation from communism to democracy " he said. "This grassroots effort, started by Los Angeles-based flight attendant Terri New, has become so popular that it has attracted a major international following."

According to Richard Lisser, Continental's city vice president who oversees operations at Newark, the program has touched the "hearts and minds of our local employees."

"The response extends from the lunch room to the departure gates. Our local staff has truly rallied around this cause," he said. "As a company, we were glad to assist our employees in this worthy project."

In addition to Newark, Continental employees from Los Angeles, Denver and Houston play a major role in the campaign. Accompanying the first batch of books to be delivered are: Terri New, a Los Angeles flight attendant; Carrie Correa, an airport ticket agent in Los Angeles; Tami Busby, a Denver flight attendant; Cynthia Dorsett, a Houston flight attendant; Colleen Horan, manager of human resources: in Houston and Ray Skippa, manager of employee

communications.

Continental Airlines is Newark International Airport's largest carrier, moving 10 million passengers annually through the complex on its 303 daily jet and commuter flights. The company employs more than 6,000 workers in New Jersey and 37,000 systemwide. Continental currently flies to 65 destinations from Newark.

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#90313p5364 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS, NEV (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Sahara Resorts (NASDAQ: SHRE), managing general partner and controlling unitholder of Sahara Casino Partners L.P. (NYSE: SAH), announced that the Nevada Gaming Control Board voted unanimously Thursday, Nov. 8, to recommend granting a gaming license to the partnership's newest property, the Santa Fe Hotel and Casino, in northwest Las Vegas.

The unique property features Southern Nevada's only ice arena and Brunswick's new "Bowlervision" bowling system.

The board's recommendation to license the Santa Fe must be voted upon Nov. 29 by the Nevada Gaming Commission.

The partnership also owns and operates the Sahara Hotel and Casino and the Hacienda Resort Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas and the Pioneer Hotel & Gambling Hall in Laughlin, Nev.

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FARMINGTON HILLS, MICH (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Douglas & Lomason Company (NASDAQ-NMS: DOUG), a major automotive parts manufacturer headquartered in Farmington Hills, reported sales and earnings for the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990 which represent improved operating results when compared to the same period of 1989. The earnings improvement is directly attributable to the elimination of the 1989 start-up costs of new plants.

Sales of $97.4 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $93.7 million for the same period of 1989 or an increase of 3.9 percent. Net earnings of $1.1 million or $.50 per share for the third quarter of 1990 compared to a net loss of $2.2 million or $1.10 per share for the same period of 1989. Nine-months sales of $319.4 million compared to $317.8 million for the same period of 1989 or an increase of less than 1 percent. Nine-months

earnings of $4.5 million or $2.17 per share compared to a net loss of $1.9 million or $.98 per share in 1989.

DOUGLAS & LOMASON COMPANY
STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED EARNINGS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$97,358,568	$93,674,283	$319,431,234	$317,772,107
Net earnings (loss)	$1,109,223	($2,217,371)	$4,556,254	($1,976,432)
Net earnings (loss) per share	$.50	($1.10)	$2.17	($.98)

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#90313p5373 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HARTFORD, CT (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Barry Baskind, president of Motts Holdings, Inc. (AMEX: MSM), today reported the results of the company's operations for the third quarter and first nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990. In announcing results, Baskind pointed out that the losses sustained from operations of the three remaining supermarkets, which were sold in a transaction effective Sept. 29, 1990, have been included as part of discontinued operations.

The company's income from continuing operations before discontinued operations amounted to $143,290, or $.05 per share, for the 1990 third quarter, versus $126,006, or $.05 per share, for the same 1989 period. Losses from discontinued operations net of tax provision amounted to $1,125,500 (which includes a net loss of $200,420 on disposal of discontinued operations) as compared to $313,013 a year earlier. After providing for such losses from discontinued operations, the net loss amounted to $982,210, or $.38 per share, in the 1990 quarter versus a net loss of $187,007, or $.07 per share, sustained in the corresponding 1989 period.

For the first nine months of 1990 income from continuing operations before discontinued operations amounted to $378,687, or $.15 per share, versus $349,443, or $.13 per share, for the same 1989 period. After losses from discontinued operations net of tax provision of $1,919,857 (which includes a net loss of $200,420 on disposal of discontinued operations) and $991,243 in fiscal 1990 and fiscal 1989, respectively, the net loss amounted to $1,541,170 or $.59 per share, for the latest nine months versus a net loss of $641,800, or $.25 per share, sustained in the same year-earlier period.

The foregoing per share calculations are based on 2,610,454 shares outstanding

at Sept. 29, 1990, and Sept. 30, 1989.

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DENVER, (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - M.D.C. Holdings Inc. (NYSE: MDC), national home builder and mortgage banking company, today announced that its net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $.8 million, or 4 cents per share, including a $9.4 million extraordinary after-tax gain from the company's repurchase of $31 million principal amount of its senior subordinated and subordinated notes. For the third quarter of 1989, the company had net income of $1 million, or 6 cents per share, including a $19 million extraordinary after-tax gain from the company's repurchase of $53 million principal amount of its notes.

During the first nine months of 1990, MDC's net income was $6.5 million, or 34 cents per share, including a $16.1 million extraordinary after-tax gain from the company's repurchase of $47.4 million of its notes, as compared to net income of $.7 million, or 4 cents per share, including $36.5 million of extraordinary after-tax gains from the company's repurchase of $125.7 million principal amount of its notes, during the first nine months of 1989.

During the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, MDC closed 484 and 1,549 homes, as compared to 707 and 2,394 closings, respectively, during the like periods a year ago. At Sept. 30, 1990, the company's backlog of residential units sold but not closed was 598 units having an approximate sales value of $113.9 million and a backlog of 1,037 units having an approximate sales value of $188.7 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

Revenues for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $123.7 million and $403.6 million, respectively, as compared to $214.3 million and $563.3 million, respectively, for the comparable periods in 1989.

Spencer I. Browne, president and chief operating officer of MDC, said, "The improvement in the company's performance in 1990 as compared to 1989 continues to be due principally to (i) lower interest expense as a result of the repurchase and restructuring of the company's notes; (ii) reductions in selling, general and administrative expenses; (iii) increases in earnings from collateralized mortgage obligations (CMO) issuances due to a decline in short-term interest rates; and (iv) higher gross profit margins on its home closings." The decline in short-term interest rates also increased the company's fees from its management agreement with Asset Investors Corp., a New York Stock Exchange-listed real estate investment trust.

Despite these improvements, MDC had operating losses (before income taxes,

minority interest and extraordinary gains) of $12.7 million and $11.8 million during the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively. These losses primarily resulted from a $12 million provision recorded at Sept. 30, 1990 to reduce the carrying value of the company's inventories to their net realizable value. The $12 million provision relates principally to one large property in southern California and properties in Arizona. During the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, provisions to reduce the carrying value of the company's home building inventories and for restructuring charges totalled $29.6 million and $30.3 million, respectively.

The decline in home closings and backlog in 1990 as compared to 1989 is due primarily to (i) major declines in Virginia and Maryland home building markets markets that have slowed substantially in the past nine months; (ii) declines in home closings in southern California principally resulting from the sale of a large portion of the company's land inventories during the third quarter of 1989 which reduced the number of sites available for future construction; and (iii) the closing of the company's Dallas home building operations in the second quarter of 1989.

Browne said, "MDC's operations during 1990 have been adversely affected by continuing weakness in the company's Denver and Phoenix home building markets as well as softness in the Virginia, Maryland and California markets. Our revenues, backlog and sales continue to decline from the comparable periods in 1989 and 1988, reflecting a general downturn in the real estate industry." The downturn is exacerbated by, among other things, low consumer confidence brought about by a weakening in the economy nationwide and uncertainties concerning the Middle East. The downturn has been accelerated by a "credit crunch" across the country which has made it more difficult for home builders to acquire, develop and profitably build out properties. If these trends continue, the company's future home closings and operating results could be affected adversely.

The company's net income per share for both the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was based on 19.1 weighted average shares outstanding as compared to 15.9 million weighted average shares outstanding for both the like periods in 1989.

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DENVER (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - First Interstate Bank of Denver today announced it will offer a package of services specifically designed to meet the banking needs of low-income individuals.

The new package includes a checking account with no minimum balance required,

overdraft protection, and a savings account that can be opened with as little as $25.

First Interstate Bank developed this new package of services -- Banking as Easy as 1-2-3 -- in response to extensive research into the banking needs of low-income individuals in the Denver area. Research with participants with annual household incomes less than $20,000 indicated a strong preference for a package of services that would help consumers maintain a checking account, establish a savings account and build -- or rebuild -- a credit history.

First Interstate Bank's new package of services includes basic checking for only $3 a month. Customers may write up to 10 checks per month and make unlimited deposits. Automatic payments and transfers are made at no charge. Additional checks are only 50 cents each. A red First Interstate Bancard for automated teller machines is available for $8 a year.

"Our research showed that many people depend on costly check cashing services and manage their money out of their purses and wallets," said Frances Draper, senior vice president of Retail Banking. "This is not only unsafe and ruinously expensive, but never enables these consumers the chance to build a bank relationship that results in the confidence and creditworthiness to successfully obtain a bank loan."

A $100 overdraft protection plan is a special feature of this checking account. It is designed to eliminate the worry of overdrawing the account, and allows the customer to establish a credit history. As the customer pays back any amount borrowed, the line of credit is rebuilt.

Having a sufficient overdraft line of credit to cover occasional small, but costly overdrafts means that many people will be able to keep their accounts open and won't be forced to cash their checks at check cashing shops or purchase money orders to pay their bills," explains Draper.

First Interstate's market research also indicated that low-income consumers want to build financial security through a savings account, but cannot afford to open one with the customary opening deposit, and pay fees generally assessed on low-balance accounts.

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NEPTUNE BEACH, FLA. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Family Steak Houses of Florida, Inc. (NASDAQ: RYFL) today reported earnings and revenues for the third quarter of 1990.

Third quarter sales rose 4.7 percent to $11,786,500 from $11,258,400 for the

same period in 1989. Earnings from operations were $831,200 for the third quarter, compared to $1,018,300 for the third period of 1989, a decrease of 18.4 percent. Net earnings for the quarter were $73,400, compared to $223,900 in 1989, a decrease of 67.2 percent. Earnings per share for the quarter were 1 cent on 10,562,000 shares, compared to 2 cents on 10,792,000 shares for the same period in 1989.

For the nine months ended Oct. 3, 1990, sales climbed 7.6 percent, to $37,026,900 from $34,400,700 for the comparable period in 1989. Earnings from operations for the nine month period were $3,093,100, compared to $3,305,900 for the first nine months of 1989, a decrease of 6.4 percent. Net earnings for the nine months were $644,600 as compared to $940,700 for the same period a year earlier, a 31.5 percent decrease. Earnings per share decreased 33.3 percent to 6 cents on 10,684,000 shares, from 9 cents on 10,766,000 shares for the comparable period in 1989.

James W. Osborn, president of the company, said, "The sales in the traditionally slow period of late summer and early fall were further softened by the slowed economy, which also resulted in an icreased loss from the Rustic Inn Joint Venture. While food cost as a percentage of sales has shown improvement, labor and other operating expenses have increased as a percentage of sales, a result of the lower sales levels."

The company's share of the losses of the Rustic Inn Joint Venture was a loss of $93,000 for the third quarter of 1990, compared to a net loss of $11,500 for the same quarter of 1989. The Rustic Inn Joint Venture owns two seafood restaurants in Orlando and Margate, Fla. The company is a 50 percent partner in the Joint Venture.

"The company," Osborn said, "is on schedule with its plan to improve sales and profits by upgrading management, including a new vice president of operations, implementing systems to improve quality and cost control standards, and increasing the marketing of Ryan's. While these moves have increased costs in the short run, we believe that they will result in improved operational results in the near future."

Family Steak Houses of Florida, Inc. now owns 26 Ryan's restaurants in Florida. The company owns and operates Ryan's Family Steak House restaurants under a franchise agreement with Ryan's Family Steak Houses, Inc. of Greer, S.C. The agreement grants the company the right to construct and operate Ryan's Family Steak House restaurants as the exclusive franchisee throughout the state of Florida.

FAMILY STEAK HOUSES OF FLORIDA, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS
(Unaudited)

QUARTER ENDED		NINE MONTHS ENDED	
Oct. 3,	Sept. 27,	Oct. 3,	Sept. 27,

	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$ 11,786,500	$ 11,258,400	$ 37,026,900	$ 34,400,700
Costs and expenses:				
Food and beverage	4,957,300	4,758,500	15,791,600	14,926,000
Payrole and benefits	2,925,800	2,637,200	8,819,000	7,958,800
Depreciation and amortization	581,800	515,000	1,710,600	1,462,200
Other operating expenses	1,486,100	1,376,900	4,393,800	3,863,000
General and administrative expenses	431,000	423,100	1,418,200	1,270,300
Franchise fees	573,300	529,400	1,800,600	1,614,500
	10,955,300	10,240,100	33,933,800	31,094,800
Earnings from Operations	831,200	1,018,300	3,093,100	3,305,900
Other income (Expenses): Interest and other income	13,800	19,800	46,800	46,700
Gain on sale of land	--	--	200	--
Interest expense	(633,000)	(666,700)	(1,946,000)	(1,930,300)
Equity income (loss) from joint venture	(93,000)	(11,500)	(163,600)	69,400
Earnings before income taxes	119,000	359,900	1,030,500	1,491,700
Income taxes	45,600	136,000	385,900	551,000
Net earnings	$73,400	$223,900	$644,600	$940,700
Net earnings per common and common equivalent share	$.01	$.02	$.06	$.09
Weighted average shares and share equivalents	10,562,000	10,792,000	10,684,000	10,766,000

CONTACT: Edward B. Alexander, director of finance of Family Steak Houses of Florida, Inc., 904-249-4197

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HOUSTON (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Houston Lighting & Power today filed a request with the cities it serves and the Public Utility Commission of Texas to implement the final two steps of a three-step rate moderation plan. HL&P

initiated the rate moderation plan in November, 1988, when the company requested the first step increase to begin recovering its investment in recently completed lignite and nuclear power plants. In June of this year, the Public Utility Commission issued a ruling on the first step and approved the three-step concept.

HL&P is proposing that the final two steps of the rate moderation plan be implemented about a year apart. The company is requesting a step 2 increase of $397 million, which would raise system-wide electric rates by 11.6 percent. The step 3 rate increase of approximately $155 million would raise electric rates by an additional 4.1 percent.

Regulatory review of the final two steps of the rate moderation plan is expected to be completed during spring next year. Step 2 would be implemented at that time, with step 3 following about a year later. Houston Lighting & Power company is a subsidiary of Houston Industries Inc. and provides electric in a 5,000 square mile area which includes Houston, Galveston and other Texas cities.

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-30- 1547

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GREENWICH, CT. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Finevest Foods, Inc. (NYSE: FVF) today reported a net loss of $1,909,000 or $.18 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to a net loss of $8,419,000 or $.79 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, which included a pretax provision for restructuring its dairy operations of $10,675,000 ($.63 per share after tax). For the nine months of 1990, the company reported a net loss of $3,418,000 or $.32 per share, compared with a net loss of $9,873,000 or $.93 per share for the same period last year.

The 1990 third quarter loss resulted primarily from continued unprofitable operations in the company's Florida dairy region, where lower volume, ongoing price competition and higher raw milk and other related costs offset the profitable results in its other dairy regions. The company reported that excluding the results of its Florida dairy region, it would have been profitable for the third quarter and nine months of 1990, Overall, the company's dairy operations recorded a lower operating loss in the third quarter of 1990 than in the comparable period last year, resulting from higher margins and efficiency improvements. The company's frozen food distribution operations continued to record outstanding results, benefiting from its expansion into the Texas market during the second quarter of 1990 with a distribution facility in Houston. The company expects frozen food operations to continue their strong performance for the remainder of 1990, and is reviewing its options for the dairy operations in light of the significant losses in the Florida region.

Net sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $181,194,000 compared to $175,041,000 in the 1989 period, as dairy sales declined 4.3 percent and frozen food distribution sales increased 14.4 percent. The decrease in dairy sales resulted essentially from a loss of customers in the Florida dairy region due to ongoing price competition. The increase in frozen food distribution sales resulted primarily from the startup of the new Houston distribution facility in the second quarter, and from increased volume from new and existing customers.

Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $536,185,000, an increase of 2.1 percent from $525,016,000 in the 1989 period. The increase resulted from a 9.1 percent increase in frozen food distribution sales, offset by a decline of 2.8 percent in dairy sales for the reasons previously mentioned.

Finevest Foods, Inc. is a leading wholesale distributor of frozen foods and dairy products in the southeastern United States and is one of that region's largest processors of fluid milk, ice cream and other related dairy products.

CONTACT: Mel P. Melsheimer, chief financial officer of Finevest, 203-629-8014; or Steve Barach of G.A. Kraut Company, 212-696-5600, for Finevest

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ANN ARBOR, MICH (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Great Lakes Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: GLBC) announced it has commenced an exchange offer for its 7 1/4 percent convertible subordinated debentures due in 2011. Great Lakes is offering $50,000 in principal amount of 18 percent senior subordinated debentures due in 2006 in exchange for each $100,000 principal amount of the convertible subordinated debentures.

Great Lakes will accept any and all of the $26.6 million of convertible subordinated debentures currently outstanding. There is no minimum-tender condition. Accrued interest on the convertible subordinated debentures up to the exchange date will be paid in cash promptly after the expiration of the exchange offer.

Through the exchange, Great Lakes will reduce its total indebtedness and realize a gain resulting from the current market conditions for the convertible subordinated debentures. In addition, Great Lakes will reduce its amount of fully diluted shares outstanding, thereby reducing earnings dilution.

Copies of the offering circular and related documents may be obtained through the exchange agent (IBJ Schroder, One State Street, New York, NY 10004; telephone 212-858-2000) or from Great Lakes Bancorp by calling 313-930-6106 (collect).

Great Lakes has been implementing a series of strategies to strengthen its capital base in response to a changing regulatory environment. At Sept. 30, stockholders' equity in Great Lakes had increased 26 percent from a year ago to $181 million, due in part to the success of Great Lakes' public offering in the second quarter of 1990 of preferred stock, which raised $27 million of capital for the Bank. Great Lakes' tangible capital ratio at Sept. 30 was 2.65 percent and its core capital ratio was 4.23 percent, both in excess of the current regulatory requirements of 1.5 percent and 3.0 percent, respectively. The tangible book value per share of common stock increased 39 percent from a year ago to $17.89.

Great Lakes Bancorp has 52 branches in Michigan and operates Dollar Federal Savings Bank, a subsidiary with five branches in the north- Cincinnati area. Great Lakes also operates Great Lakes Mortgage Co., a mortgage banking subsidiary. With $3.7 billion in assets, Great Lakes Bancorp is Michigan's second largest savings bank.

CONTACT: Robert Jaskolski, 313-930-6106 (collect), or James S. Patterson, 313-769-8300 Ext. 4116, both of Great Lakes Bancorp

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#90313p5393 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - At its regular quarterly board meeting on Friday, Nov. 9, the board of directors of Hecla Mining Co. (NYSE, PSE: HL) declared a cash dividend of 5 cents per share to be paid on Dec. 21 to shareholders of record on Nov. 21.

CONTACT: Bill Booth of Hecla Mining Co., 208-769-4100

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - "Tic Tac Microchip Toe," "Pluto Tiddly Winks" and "Signal the Satellite" are among the games children will play to test their knowledge of space-age communications at the AT&T InfoQuest Center's FunFair on Sunday, Nov. 18.

The event, free and recommended for children age 6 and older, will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the AT&T InfoQuest Center, 550 Madison Ave. at 56th Street.

"The purpose of FunFair -- like that of the AT&T InfoQuest Center itself -- is to make technology entertaining and understandable," said the center's director, Marilyn Reznick. "FunFair will enable youngsters to interactively explore the fascinating dynamics of the Information Age technologies featured throughout the AT&T InfoQuest Center."

Many of the FunFair games, created for this event, are variations of old favorites. Scheduled attractions include:

-- Tic Tax Microchip Toe: Instead of "X's" and "O's," children will place large magnetic squares marked "1" or "O" on a tic tax toe board. The squares represent binary digits, or the "on/off" signals that send messages through a computer -- and through the AT&T long-distance network. Players also will learn about microchips, the microscopic "brains" of a computer.

-- Pluto Tiddly Winks and Earthly Tiddly Winks: By flipping a chip onto a space-like game board, young would-be astronauts can "conquer" Pluto and the earth, respectively.

-- The Geosynchronous Satellite: Inspired by "Pin the Tail on the Donkey," this game might be called "Pin the Satellite in Orbit." Blindfolded children will compete to place a model of the Telstar communications satellite closest to its orbital position -- always the same distance from the earth.

-- The Wheel of Knowledge: Participants will spin a huge red, yellow and green wheel and learn about the three leading communications technologies: photonics microelectronics and computer software.

-- Signal The Satellite: Children will vie to see how far they can "send a message from an earth station" to a satellite. The farther the message travels, the higher the score.

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#90313p5395 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - UAW members at the Navistar International Transportation Corporation voted on Thursday to ratify a new three-year labor agreement. The agreement was approved by an 86-percent majority of the UAW production, clerical and technical members voting at local unions in six states.

UAW Secretary-Treasurer Bill Casstevens, who led the UAW-Navistar bargaining team, expressed satisfaction with the ratification, saying, "The substantial approval margin of this agreement by the UAW-Navistar membership attests to the many gains that were won in the face of highly unfavorable economic conditions."

Referring to a weekend work stoppage which occurred when agreement could not be reached by the deadline on midnight, Nov. 2, Casstevens said, "The Navistar members showed that they were willing to fight to achieve their goals."

"As a result of their action, and the determination of the bargaining team, we attained an agreement which significantly expands job security, provides solid economic gains for current workers and improves the income of our Navistar retirees," Casstevens continued.

The agreement provides a three-percent pay increase in the first year and lump-sum increases in the second and third years. Quarterly cost of living (COLA) increases will be paid during the term of the agreement, with $1.67 of the current COLA being added to base wages.

The 100-percent job security program negotiated at Navistar in 1987 has been strengthened to limit layoffs of nearly all currently employed workers to no more than seven weeks per contract year, even in cases of extreme volume declines.

Retired UAW-Navistar members will receive six payments of $150 over the life of the agreement, with additional increases to cover the higher cost of Medicare B payments. The monthly benefit for those who retire during this contract has also been increased in a number of key areas.

Major improvements in health and insurance benefits were made for active workers and their dependents. The proposed contract also provides 47 paid holidays and includes notable gains in health and safety, profit sharing, apprentice programs, and recall rights.

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#90313p5397 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARIS (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The French automotive group Peugeot S.A. (PSA) announced Thursday (Nov. 8) that third-quarter consolidated revenues rose 8.7 percent over the same period last year to $6.8 billion (a). For the first nine months of this year, PSA's consolidated revenues increased 6.6 percent over the same period in 1989 to $23.2 billion.

Automobiles Peugeot had consolidated revenues of $13.5 billion, up 6.5 percent over the first nine months of last year. Consolidated revenues for Automobiles Citroen increased six percent to $8.6 billion. PSA's mechanical and service subsidiaries showed consolidated revenues of $1.1 billion, an increase of 9.7 percent over the first nine months of 1989.

The group's consolidated revenues in France increased 9.5 percent to $10.6 billion for the first nine months. Outside of France, PSA's revenues rose 4.3 percent to $12.6 billion. PSA's total export sales from France amounted to $10.4 billion, up 19.5 percent over the first nine months on 1989.

PSA, Europe's third-largest automaker and France's No. 1 exporter, had 12.8

percent of European market share at the end of September. PSA Chairman Jacques Calvet recently reported that he expects the group's European market share to exceed 13 percent this year.

(a) - Converted from French Francs at the Sept. 30, 1990, exchange rate of $1 equals FF 5.22. Percentages refer to comparisons in French Francs.

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#90313p5401 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - CIGNA Foundation won the Better Business Bureau of Eastern Pennsylvania's 1990 Crystal Award, the top honor presented to the single best entry in the bureau's annual community service program award competition, it was announced today.

CIGNA Foundation won for its Neighborhood School Partnership program, which provides ongoing funds and services to assist five public schools in one Philadelphia neighborhood.

In addition to winning the bureau's top award, the Neighborhood School Partnership program earned the award for Best Community Service by a for-profit organization.

"It's satisfying to be recognized for a program we believe is producing results in the classroom and community," said Arnold W. "Woodie" Wright Jr., vice president and executive director of the CIGNA Foundation.

"A strong partnership between the business community and the American education system is the only way we can be sure that students master the basic learning and social skills they need in order to be equipped to learn the advanced skills employers need now and in the future."

The CIGNA Neighborhood School Partnership, now in its second year, includes Audenried High School, Barratt Middle School, Greenfield School, Childs Elementary School and Durham Child Development Center.

The five schools are part of a "feeder" pattern, where students move up from one school to another through the partnership's comprehensive, ongoing program that aids more than 3,000 students from pre-school through high school.

Some partnership highlights include professional training for teachers, student recognition programs, employee volunteerism and a continuous recruitment effort to encourage community, business, cultural and educational organizations to join the partnership.

The Better Business Bureau of Eastern Pennsylvania's Crystal Award is presented to the single best entry in the bureau's annual community service program competition, which includes entries from both non-profit and profit organizations.

CIGNA Foundation made more than $3 million in grants nationwide in 1990 that support education. The CIGNA companies are leading providers of insurance, health care, employee benefits and related financial services to business and individuals worldwide.

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-30- 2580

#90313p5403 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - In ceremonies today, Allergan Medical Optics will be awarded the highest honor given by Philip B. Crosby: The Quality Fanatics Award. The award will be presented by Crosby, founder chairman of the world's largest educational and consulting firm dealing specifically with quality management, Philip Crosby Associates, Inc. (PCA).

Allergan Medical Optics is a subsidiary of Allergan, Inc. (NYSE: AGN), one of the world's leading eye care companies. Allergan, Inc., based in Irvine, Calif., is comprised of six business units: Allergan Pharmaceuticals -- prescription and nonprescription eye care products; Allergan Optical -- contact lenses and lens care products; Allergan Medical Optics -- intraocular lenses (IOLs) and surgical ophthalmic products and services; Allergan Humphrey -- microprocessor based ophthalmic diagnostic instruments; Herbert Laboratories -- prescription and nonprescription skin care products; and Allergan International, which markets Allergan's products around the world.

The Quality Fanatics Award honors select companies who have made a total corporate commitment to the quality process. To be so honored, a company must demonstrate over a period of time the following: First, decide you want a Zero Defects strategy and; announce a clear, specific quality policy; next, display management commitment through action and; assure that everyone is educated so they can perform; then eliminate opportunites to compromise performance and; Insist that every supplier do the same; convince everyone that they are dependent on each other and; satisfy the customer first, last and always.

Crosby is the sole judge as to who may become a Quality Fanatic Award winner. The awards are given on a very selective basis.

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#90313p5415 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Advanced Medical Inc. (AMEX: AMA) today announced that its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, showed income from operations of $959,000 on revenues of $30 million.

After interest expense relating to the April 2, 1990, acquisition of IMED and preferred dividends, the company posted a net loss applicable to common stock of $3,292,000 for the quarter compared to $3,753,000 in the year earlier period.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Advanced Medical reported a net loss applicable to common stock of $14,005,000 on revenues of $55,426,000.

Richard Propper, chairman and chief executive indicated that the third quarter net loss was in line with expectations, but emphasized that the income from operations was the first in the company's history and represented a significant milestone. Consolidated results are shown below:

ADVANCED MEDICAL INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT (Unaudited)
(in thousands, except per share data)

	For the nine months Ended September 30		For the three months Ended September 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$55,426	--	$30,013	--
Income (loss) from operations	($3,882)	($9,296)	959	($3,833)
Interest income (expense)	($7,006)	$1,775	($3,960)	$889
Net Loss	($11,712)	($7,668)	($2,546)	($2,985)
Dividends on preferred stock	$2,293	$1,569	$746	$768
Net loss applicable to common stock	($14,005)	($9,237)	($3,292)	($3,753)
Net loss per common share(i)	($1.23)	($1.13)	($.28)	($.35)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	11,382	8,166	11,861	10,639

(i) - Based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding.

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#90313p5419 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHERRY HILL, N.J. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Wavetech, Inc. (NASDAQ: WAVE), announced today that its Class A and Class B warrants, which were to terminate on Nov. 15, 1990, have been extended to terminate on Feb. 28, 1991. All other terms and conditions shall remain the same.

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-30- 486

#90313p5420 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Orion Capital Corporation (NYSE: OC) reports that its board of directors declared the company's 50th regular quarterly dividend on its common stock at a rate of $.23 per share, and declared quarterly dividends on its $2.125 convertible exchangeable preferred stock, on its $1.90 convertible exchangeable preferred stock and on its adjustable rate preferred stock of $.53125 per share, $.475 per share and $1.16250 per share, respectively, all of which are payable on Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 17, 1990.

Orion Capital is engaged in the specialty property and casualty insurance business through various wholly-owned insurance subsidiaries.

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#90313p5423 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Chief Consolidated Mining Company (PSE: CFC) today announced the following operating results:

CHIEF CONSOLIDATED MINING COMPANY

Periods ended	Quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$64,991	$97,045	$233,421	$356,709
Loss	92,801	56,884	267,436	142,842
Net loss	92,801	56,884	267,436	142,842
Share earnings:				
Loss	$(.03)	$(.01)	$(.08)	$(.04)
Net loss	$(.03)	$(.01)	$(.08)	$(.04)

CONTACT: Leonard Weitz, chairman of Chief Consolidated Mining, 212-688-8130

-30- 901

#90313p5425 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - BMC Industries, Inc. (NYSE: BMC) reported today that deepening problems in the U.S. domestic consumer economy are

adversely affecting fourth quarter customer orders in both of its principal product groups, aperture masks for color television picture tubes and eyewear lenses.

Robert J. Carlson, BMC's CEO, stated, "Recent reductions in customer orders brought about by a rapidly deteriorating U.S. economy do not support the record fourth quarter performance which we anticipated in mid-September. We now expect that BMC's fourth quarter profits will be less than those realized in the fourth quarter of 1989."

CONTACT: Merle D. Kerr of BMC Industries, 612-851-6020

-30- 875

#90313p5427 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

VOORHEES, N.J. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - American Water Works Company (NYSE: AWK) announced today that subsequent to the company's release of earnings on Nov. 1 a subsidiary received authorization to retain a portion of revenues that had been reserved pending a regulatory ruling on the effect of the Tax Reform Act of 1986.

Recognition of these revenues will increase net income by $2.8 million, or 9 cents a share, in the fourth quarter of 1990.

CONTACT: American Water Works media relations, 609-346-8200

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#90313p5431 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - At 3 p.m. today, Judith A. Walter, senior deputy comptroller for administration, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), declared Freedom National Bank of New York, New York, N.Y., insolvent and appointed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) as receiver.

The bank experienced significant deterioration in 1988 due to weak loan underwriting by former management and weak supervision by the board of directors and management. New management, hired in 1988, attempted to resolve the problems, and the OCC obtained commitments from the board of directors addressing the bank's problems.

Despite the efforts of the directors and new management, the bank's deterioration continued and was exacerbated by the local economic downturn. The bank was unsuccessful in obtaining additional capital and losses mounted, exhausting the bank's capital and resulting in insolvency.

Freedom National Bank of New York was chartered in 1964. On Sept. 30, 1990, the bank had total assets of approximately $110 million. The bank was a

minority institution with its main office in New York and two branches in Brooklyn. The FDIC is expected to release additional information later today.

CONTACT: Lynette Carter of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, (202) 447-1800.

-30- 1519

#90313p5437 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - TIS Mortgage Investment Co. (NYSE: TIS), today reported net income of $1,972,000, or 24 cents per share, and $5,776,000 or 71 cents per share, for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively. This compares to net income of $1,845,000 or 23 cents per share and $5,722,000, or 71 cents per share, for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, respectively.

The increase in net income in the third quarter of 1990 over the third quarter of 1989 was primarily due to lower short-term interest rates in the third quarter of 1990. The total benefit of lower short-term rates was partially offset due to the fact that the company has been accumulating cash to purchase additional Residual Interests. In August 1990, the company purchased for approximately $47,000 the remaining 2 percent of a Residual Interest of which 98 percent ownership was already held by the company. The company also committed to acquire a fixed-rate Residual Interest in the fourth quarter of 1990 at a cost of approximately $2,589,000. The company is continually reviewing Residual Interests available for purchase in its effort to invest in Residual Interests that complement the current portfolio.

As a real estate investment trust (REIT), TIS Mortgage Investment Co.'s dividends are based on taxable income calculated under the internal revenue code and not on book income which is computed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Taxable income in each quarter of 1989 and for the first three quarters of 1990 exceeded the amount of dividends declared and paid.

TIS Mortgage Investment Co. is a San Francisco-based REIT which invests in various mortgage assets, including Residual Interests in Collateralized Mortgage Obligation (CMO) Bonds. The company commenced operations on Aug. 26, 1988.

CONTACT: John E. Castello of TIS Mortgage Investment Co., 415-393-8000; or Maury Healy of Healy & Co., 415-546-6166, for TIS Mortgage Investment Co.

-30- 2218

#90313p5439 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

JEFFERSON, LA (NOV. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Al Copeland Enterprises Inc. announced that it has retained The First Boston Corp. to work on a restructuring plan

for the company with respect to the indebtedness incurred by the company in connection with its acquisition of Church's Fried Chicken Inc. The company intends to promptly present a restructuring plan to its bank lender, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce ($249 million of senior debt) and its bridge lender, Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc. ($142 million of subordinated debt).

The company also announced that extensions granted by Merrill Lynch with respect to a $3.3 million interest payment due Sept. 28, 1990, and by CIBC with respect to a $4.2 million term loan payment due Sept. 21, 1990 have expired, and the company is in default under both loan documents. Under the terms of the loan documents, each of the lenders has the right to accelerate the indebtedness thereunder; however, neither lender has exercised that right.

The company believes that on an operational level its business will continue to generate positive cash flow and has had, and will continue to have sufficient cash flow to pay its trade creditors, but that the debt service required on the acquisition indebtedness cannot be sustained on a long-term basis without a restructuring. "This is the best time to implement a plan of restructuring," said Bucky Kilbourne, chief financial officer. "The sales and restaurant operations are doing very well. Our debt structure has to be changed so that the company will be well capitalized for the future." The company's decisions to seek extensions and not to make payments on its loans are intended to insure that sufficient working capital is available while the company restructures that indebtedness.

The restructuring plan under development by the company and First Boston is intended to modify the company's capital structure to a level supportable by the company's operations on a long-term basis. The company may not have an alternative but to seek protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, if either lender should choose to accelerate its indebtedness or if the company is unable to develop a restructuring plan satisfactory to its lenders. Management believes, based on its discussions with its lenders, that it can reach an agreement with them.

CONTACT: Bucky Kilbourne or Kit Wohl, both of Al Copeland Enterprises Inc., 504-733-4300

-30- 2646

#90313p5440 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MASS. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Cabot Corporation (NYSE: CBT) approved a quarterly dividend of 26 cents per share payable Dec. 7 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 23, 1990.

Cabot previously paid a quarterly dividend of 26 cents per share on Sept. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: J. Scott Esler of Cabot Corporation, 617-622-3743

-30- 516

#90313p5446 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of La Quinta Realty Corp., general partner of La Quinta Motor Inns Limited Partnership (NYSE: LQP) declared a cash distribution of $993,750 or 25 cents per limited partnership unit for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The distribution will be paid on Dec. 7, 1990, to unitholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990.

La Quinta Motor Inns Limited Partnership owns 31 La Quinta Inns in 15 states.

CONTACT: Kim Armstrong of La Quinta Motor Inns Limited Partnership, 512-366-6030

-30- 709

#90313p5448 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. today announced that its exchange agent has completed the final count of debentures tendered in connection with its exchange offers commenced on Oct. 3 and completed on Nov. 1.

The exchange agent, First Chicago Trust Company of New York, advised that the final count showed that $2,038,531,652 of the sum of principal of plus accrued and unpaid interest on the senior converting debentures due 2009 of RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. had been validly tendered and not withdrawn.

The exchange agent also said that $1,533,998,525 of the sum of principal of plus accrued and unpaid interest on the subordinated exchange debentures due 2007 of RJR Nabisco Holdings Group Inc. had been validly tendered and not withdrawn.

In accordance with the terms of the exchange offers, there was no accrued and unpaid interest on the subordinated exchange debentures as of the expiration of the exchange offers.

Based on the final count, approximately 91.1931 percent of the validly tendered amount of principal of plus accrued and unpaid interest on senior converting debentures has been exchanged on a pro rata basis (calculated in units of $25 principal amounts) from each tendering holder of senior converting debentures.

Approximately 35.2673 percent of the validly tendered amount of principal of plus accrued and unpaid interest on subordinated exchange debentures has been exchanged on a pro rata basis (calculated in units of $25 principal amounts) from each tendering holder of subordinated exchange debentures.

RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. expects that checks representing the cash component of the exchange offer consideration will be mailed the week of Nov. 12.

Certificates representing the shares of cumulative convertible preferred stock issued in connection with the exchange offers, and certificates representing debentures that were not purchased or tendered, will be mailed the following week with checks for fractional amounts.

RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. is the indirect parent of RJR Nabisco Inc., an international consumer products company. RJR Nabisco's major operating subsidiaries are R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., R.J. Reynolds Tobacco International Inc., Nabisco Brands Inc., and Planters LifeSavers Co.

CONTACT: Jason Wright of RJR Nabisco, (212) 258-5770.

-30- 2542

#90313p5453 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURLINGTON, NJ (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse Corporation (NYSE: BCF) today announced results for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991, ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Revenues totaled $159,591,000, compared with $131,564,000 in last year's first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. A net loss of $3,969,000, or 22 cents per share was reported, vs. a net loss of $4,061,000, or 23 cents per share, in the prior year's first quarter.

CONTACT: Monroe G. Milstein, chairman of the board, president and CEO of Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse, 212-221-0010

-30- 735

#90313p5456 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Mazda today announced a voluntary recall, commencing on Nov. 16, 1990, of 1990 model RX-7 Convertible sports cars produced between Nov. 1, 1989, and July 2, 1990. The 2,708 vehicles affected by the action are being recalled because it is believed that three of the vehicles may have received possibly defective airbag inflator modules.

The defective inflator modules, which are a part of the driver's side airbag supplementary restraint system, were produced for Mazda by an outside supplier and may not inflate the airbag properly.

Owners are being asked by mail to bring their vehicles to an authorized Mazda dealer for the inspection and, if necessary, replacement of the airbag module. There will be no charge to the customer for either the inspection or replacement of the unit. Replacement should take about one-half hour.

The airbag unit in the RX-7 Convertible models is intended as a supplemental restraint, and should always be used in conjunction with the three-point seat belts provided as standard equipment on the vehicle.

Mazda is conducting this campaign to ensure its customers' continued satisfaction with, and confidence in, their vehicles.

CONTACT: Jay Amestoy or Fred Aikins of Mazda, 800-248-0459, or (in Calif.) 800-346-2286

-30- 1494

#90313p5464 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Airbus Industrie, through its North American training company, Airbus Service Company (ASCO), today announced plans to double the size of its aircraft training operation at Miami International Airport to meet anticipated demand for Airbus aircraft training facilities during the 1990s and beyond.

The ASCO training facility presently employs a staff of 60 who instruct and support airline flight crews, cabin attendants and aircraft maintenance engineers on the Airbus A300, A310 and A320, operated by a wide range of airlines in North America and around the world. Planning is underway for support of Airbus Industrie's new A340 and A330 aircraft due to enter airline service in 1992 and 1993.

More than 3,500 airline and support personnel pass through the ASCO training facility each year, with each person spending approximately one month in training. During the next ten years, Airbus projects its staff of 60 to grow to 100, with the capacity to train 6,000 airline personnel yearly. Simulators and training equipment valued at up to $200 million will be in use 24 hours a day in the new facility over the next decade.

Airbus projects more than 600 new Airbus aircraft will be operating in North America, and up to 250 aircraft in the Caribbean and Latin America during the next ten years.

After a prolonged period of financial and operational analysis, and influenced by the positive attitude of the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, the Beacon Council and Dade County Aviation Department, ASCO announced its intent to remain in its present facility for an extended period of time and to take such expansion actions as determined by market requirements.

Dade County Aviation director, Frederick A. Elder, A.A.E., said that the Airbus Industrie expansion program represents a sound investment in international aviation business in Dade County, establishing Miami International Airport as one of the leading airline training centers in the world.

CONTACT: Amaury Zuriarrain, Amalia Dobson or Chris Mangos,
all of Metro-Dade Aviation Department, 305-876-7016

-30- 2316

#90313p5467 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Resolution Trust Corporation has accepted a proposal to purchase Empire of America Realty Credit Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Empire Federal Savings Bank of America. The acquiror would be a newly-created corporation formed by Cargill Financial Services Corporation and Prudential-Bache Interfunding Inc. The transaction would be structured as an asset sale and is subject to completion of due diligence, the negotiation of a satisfactory purchase and sale agreement and certain other corporate approvals. Cohane Rafferty Securities, Inc. serves as investment banker to the seller.

Empire of America Realty Credit Corp. was organized in 1983 and, since its inception, has grown to become the 25th largest mortgage banking company in the country, with a mortgage loan servicing portfolio in excess of $7 billion.

CONTACT: Eleanor Earle Mascheroni of Prudential-Bache, 212-214-3955, or
212-214-3957, or evenings 212-371-5374

-30- 1148

#90313p5479 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENNIS, TEXAS (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Kenneth A. McCrady, chairman of Ennis Business Forms, Inc. (NYSE: EBF), announced today that the board of directors has authorized the expenditure of up to $10 million for the purchase of shares of the company's common stock. Any such purchases will be made in the open market, generally through the facilities of the New York Stock Exchange, or in negotiated transactions, in accordance with the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Any reacquired shares will be held in treasury shares pending further action of the board of directors either to reissue or retire such shares.

CONTACT: Kenneth A. McCrady of Ennis Business Forms, 214-875-6581

-30- 878

#90313p5485 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - CPC-Rexcel Inc. (NASDAQ: CPST) today reported a decline in sales and net earnings for the third quarter 1990, which ended on Sept. 30.

Net loss for the period was $43,966, down from a profit of $5,078 in the third quarter of 1989. Net loss per share for the third quarter was 1 cent,

compared with 0 cents per share for the like 1989 period. Net sales for the third quarter were $13,892,273, down 11 percent compared with $15,581,109 in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 net earnings were $254,611, up from $16,276 in 1989. Net earnings per share were 6 cents, up from 0 cents in 1989. Net sales for the nine-month period were $42,308,094, down 4 percent from $44,158,697 for the like period in 1989.

Gerald G. Burnett, president of CPC-Rexcel, cited lower sales as the cause for the earnings decline.

"Our third-quarter loss was unanticipated due to the continuing impact of high milk prices, which resulted in a soft market for dairy products generally," Burnett said. "We foresee improvements in the market as the price of milk stabilizes, and we anticipate this will have a positive impact on our sales of dairy-related products in the fourth quarter."

"We're optimistic that other factors also will have a favorable effect on fourth-quarter and year-end performance. Among them are an improving market for cultured dairy products, and expected new business in the areas of cold drink cups and food service. We also expect to continue to see the positive influence of recent and ongoing improvements in our manufacturing and fixed costs," he said.

CPC-Rexcel, designs, manufactures and markets plastic containers for cultured dairy, yogurt and other food products.

CONTACT: Richard A. Colletta of CPC-Rexcel Inc., 314-425-0710; or
James M. Grandone of Edelman PR, 314-421-6460, for CPC-Rexcel Inc.

-30- 2083
#90313p5486 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCOTTS VALLEY, CALIF. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Macintosh Corp. today gave an update on its financial performance. The company had announced on Sept. 26, 1990 that its unaudited revenues for the eight months ended Aug. 31, 1990 totalled approximately $224,000 on which it had a net loss. All of the revenues resulted from the sales of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Sixty-Eight Thousand Inc., a supplier of computer workstations compatible with Apple Computer's Macintosh software. In the September news release, the company noted that it had recently begun to ship its new Dash 30fx workstation.

Stanton R. Creasey, vice president, finance, said that the company shipped approximately $117,000 in the month of September 1990, on which it had a net loss, and that the company shipped approximately $300,000 in the month of October 1990, on which it had a pre-tax profit of approximately $2,000. Macintosh Corp. has approximately 23,500,000 shares outstanding. He further

stated that he believed, based upon preliminary information, that Macintosh Corp. had its first profitable month in its history, on an operating basis, in the month of October 1990.

Macintosh Corp., founded in 1984, trades Over the Counter and was an inactive public company until the acquisition of Sixty-Eight Thousand Inc. in November of 1989. Sixty-Eight Thousand Inc., its only operating subsidiary, was formed as a California corporation in September 1987 and is located in Scotts Valley.

CONTACT: Stanton R. Creasey of Macintosh Corp., 408-438-1777

-30- 1710

#90313p5490 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA ANA, CALIF. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Metropolitan Circuits of California, a subsidiary of Metropolitan Circuits Inc. (AMEX: MPB), today announced it has filed for reorganization in the Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California. The American Stock Exchange has halted trading in the parent company's shares.

The printed circuit board company is attempting to work with major creditors to ensure the continuity of business operations and to provide working capital.

Richard Sandberg, Metropolitan's chief executive officer, said, "The company's financial condition made it impossible to get the financing necessary to meet the company's cash needs. Hopefully, the company will now be able to restructure its indebtedness and obtain the necessary financing. Given the strength of our customer base, the quality of our products, and the loyalty of our employees, a successful reorganization should be possible."

Metropolitan has approximately 165 secured and unsecured creditors, which include no banks or bondholders. Total debt equaled approximately $10.0 million at the time of filing.

On Oct. 26, 1990, Metropolitan announced that turnaround specialist Kenneth C. Cleveland has been retained to assist the company in its restructuring efforts. Cleveland, president of Kenneth Cleveland Associates Inc., most recently was responsible for returning Tylan Corporation, a publicly held Torrance, Calif., semiconductor equipment manufacturer, to profitability and securing a buyout of the company for its shareholders. Prior to that, he directed the successful turnaround of Mica Corporation, a maker of cooper clad laminate for the printed circuit industry.

Paul G. McNamara, a former Metropolitan consultant and former president of Aeroscientific, an Anaheim, Calif.-based printed circuit board manufacturer, has become president of Metropolitan Circuits Inc.

Metropolitan Circuits of California designs, manufactures and markets sophisticated printed circuit boards. Its parent, Metropolitan Circuits Inc. has approximately 1,500 shareholders and 2.5 million shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Richard J. Sandberg or Kenneth C. Cleveland of Metropolitan Circuits Inc., 714-549-2204; or Cecilia A. Wilkinson of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300

-30- 2495

#90313p5494 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLTON, CA (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Stater Bros. Markets, the no. 1 supermarket chain in the Greater Inland Empire, has announced the grand opening of their 103rd supermarket location. The new supermarket will be the 40th supermarket in San Bernardino County. It is located in the Cooley Plaza at the northeast corner of the Barton Road and Washington Street intersection in the City of Colton.

Jack H. Brown, chairman, president, and chief executive officer, stated: "Stater Bros. Markets is well known for being the hometown and neighborhood place to shop for groceries. I am pleased to say that we are continuing the tradition by opening this supermarket serving the City of Colton. The City of Colton is Stater Bros. corporate headquarters and distribution center hometown. We are very proud to serve our valued customers in the beautiful hub city of Colton with this new 35,232-square-foot supermarket. Stater Bros. has served Colton families since 1938."

This new Stater Bros. "hometown" supermarket will feature Stater Bros.' "famous" service meat department as well as a fresh on-premise service bakery, a service delicatessen and take-out food department, plus an expanded produce department. The store will carry over 25,000 items featured at Stater Bros. famous low prices.

Stater Bros. Markets serves the valued customers of 103 supermarket locations in each of the five counties of San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange, Los Angeles and Kern. There are over 9,000 members of the Stater Bros. family of employees.

CONTACT: Jack H. Brown, chairman, president and CEO of Stater Bros. Markets, 714-783-5000

-30- 1818

#90313p5497 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Capital Investment Corp. (NASDAQ: WECA) parent company of Bank Western, a Federal Savings Bank, reported a loss of $40.9 million, or $4.37 per share, during the third quarter of 1990. During the like quarter of 1989, the company recorded a $38.9 million loss (net of

$11.2 million of tax benefits), or $4.16 per share.

"Despite some positive economic indicators within the state, we have yet to translate that improvement into a substantial reducton of our non-performing assets. Due to the persisting weakness in the Colorado real estate climate, our attempts to dispose of problem assets have not met with the desired results," said WCIC chairman Bob Malone. However, Malone noted, recent progress was made when the company's largest foreclosure was sold for $17.5 million in late October.

The major cause of the quarter's loss was the continuing need to provide reserves against non-performing loans, against property acquired as a result of either foreclosure or repossession, and to further strengthen the overall level loss reserves of Bank Western. Provisions for losses totaled $36.5 million for the third quarter 1990 compared to $46.7 million for the like period in 1989.

Net interest income for the third quarter this year was $13.6 million, compared with $14.2 million for the like period one year ago. Net interest income for the first nine months of 1990 was $42.1 million versus $44.9 million reported on Sept. 30, 1989.

Stockholder's equity at Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $119.3 million. "Bank Western remains in compliance with all current regulatory capital requirements. Further, we've just completed our first joint OTS/FDIC examination and all items have been successfully resolved," Malone noted. "To ensure that we continue to meet our regulatory capital requirements, we have launched strategies of restructuring and downsizing -- with over $500 million of assets targeted for sale during the fourth quarter."

Western Capital Investment had total assets of $3.2 billion at Sept. 30, down from $3.3 billion at the end of the third quarter 1989.

CONTACT: Marvin Buckels of Western Capital Investment Corp., 303-623-5577

-30- 2403

#90313p5498 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPRINGFIELD, Va. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Versar, Inc. (AMEX: VSR) today reported financial results for the fiscal 1991 first quarter period ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues for the quarter were $14,149,000, a 7 percent decrease from the $15,186,000 sales volume for the same period a year ago. Net loss for the first quarter was $313,000 compared to a net income of $400,000 in the first quarter of last year. Net loss per share was $0.08 per share on 3,898,000 weighted average shares outstanding, compared to a net income of $0.11 per share on 3,768,000 weighted average shares outstanding at the end of the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Revenues and profits were below expectations due to the slowdown in the real estate industry and continued delays in receipt of funded work assignments on government contracts.

Dr. Michael Markels Jr., president and chairman of Versar, said: "In spite of first quarter results below our expectations, we are looking forward to good progress this fiscal year for Versar. The market for environmental services is strong, and we are committed to reducing our costs while increasing our sales activities."

Versar provides a wide range of scientific and technical services to solve environmental and health and safety problems caused by pollutants, hazardous materials, and toxic substances.

CONTACT: Dr. Robert Ouellette of Versar, Inc., 703-750-3000

-30- 1569

#90313p5502 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Arkla, Inc. (NYSE: ALG), and Diversified Energies, Inc. (NYSE: DEI) (DEI), said today that they are reviewing today's 2-1 vote by the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (PUC) against the proposed merger of Minnegasco -- the natural gas distribution company of Diversified Energies, Inc. (DEI), into Arkla, Inc.

Company officials said they are examining possible courses of action including asking for expedited reconsideration by the five-member commission. In July, the boards of directors of DEI and Arkla approved the merger agreement.

Arkla and DEI are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbols ALG and DEI, respectively.

CONTACT: John Moe of Diversified Energies, 612-342-4638

-30- 919

#90313p5504 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

OLYMPIA, WASH (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission has approved a proposed settlement agreement regarding an application from Pacific Northwest Bell (PNB) to approve its proposed merger with Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Co. and Northwestern Bell Telephone Co. The approval, in effect, will consolidate the operations of all three companies under their parent company's banner of U.S. WEST Communications Co. (U.S. WEST). Commissioner A.J. "Bud" Pardini issued a separate dissenting opinion.

In July 1988, the companies began doing business as U.S. WEST Communications,

but they continued to exist as separate entities for legal and regulatory purposes. The companies have requested the merger citing financial and operational advantages, such as improved financing capabilities, enhanced credit strength and the ability to deploy assets more efficiently.

On Aug. 24, commission staff and PNB filed a proposed settlement agreement. The proposed settlement agreement directs the company to provide financial reports and data so the commission can effectively monitor the company's Washington operations. The commission, in approving the settlement, mandated that U.S. WEST impute advertising revenues from its "yellow pages" telephone directories, as a condition of approval.

In his dissent, Commissioner A.J. "Bud" Pardini questioned U.S. WEST statements that the merger would result in a number of benefits. He characterized the company's pleadings as "trust-me" arguments. "When the customer has little if any resource to an alternative service, as is the case in this franchised monopoly service, this commission should be firm in a 'show-me' philosophy and should reject the 'trust-me' approach presented in this case." Commissioner Pardini continued, "The evidence presented in this case does not convince me that the proposed merger is in the public interest, as the company shows no tangible benefits to accrue to the citizens of the state of Washington. Accordingly, the proposed settlement agreement should be rejected and the petition to merge should be denied."

CONTACT: Raymond R. Day, Jr,. of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, 206-753-4587

-30- 2447

#90313p5507 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, Calif. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermark Inc. (AMEX: IMI) today reported that for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 it sustained a loss of $16 million, or $1.52 per share, compared to income of $10.1 million, or $1.09 per share, in the prior year. Revenues for the six months increased 26 percent to $580 million from $462 million in the prior year.

Intermark also announced that it today entered into a new credit facility with its major banks which will continue the current level of the company's borrowing capacity through April, 1992.

For the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 a net loss of $9.9 million, or $.85 per share was sustained, compared to a loss of $5.9 million, or $.65 per share, in the second quarter of the prior year. Revenues for the quarter were $290 million, up 31 percent from $221 million in the same period a year earlier. The company noted that although it received the full cash benefit from the sale of its shares of Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. (AMEX: SBN), its gain on the transaction of $16.8 million had to be deferred under applicable accounting rules.

Intermark said that the losses sustained in the current year were attributable primarily to three of its Partner Companies: Liquor Barn, a recent acquisition, which although achieving significant sales growth over the prior year has not yet reached breakeven levels on a sustained basis; Dynamark, a manufacturer of styled automotive wheels which has experienced sharply reduced demand in the aftermarket sector; and Ridgewood Properties, an Atlanta based real estate developer which has incurred substantial costs in completing the development and marketing of several new projects. The company also noted that operating profits of its flagship unit Pier 1 Imports (NYSE: PIR) were down 20 percent for the six months, reflecting a softening of sales during the latest quarter.

Commenting on the results, Charles R. Scott, Intermark's chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "It is clear that our Partner Companies are feeling the effects of recessionary economic conditions as customers have cautiously postponed or cancelled planned purchases. We are 'hunkered down' and prepared to ride out the storm."

"The new eighteen month credit agreement we signed today with our line banks, First Interstate and Security Pacific, represents a vote of confidence which is most gratifying and much appreciated."

Intermark is an operating/holding company whose business is to own control of, operate through and add value to well established mid-sized American growth companies operating in broadly diverse industries.

CONTACT: Frank C. Alexander, executive vice president, or Mitchell R. Woodbury vice president and corporate counsel, both of Intermark Inc., 619-456-1000

-30- 2992

#90313p5508 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDEN PRAIRIE, MINN. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation announced today that due to the filing for protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, it is canceling its Annual Shareholders Meeting which was scheduled for Nov. 29, 1990. A shareholders meeting will be held after a plan of reorganization is adopted by the Bankruptcy Court. Meetings for interested parties will be scheduled through the bankruptcy proceedings in the near future.

CONTACT: David C. Priebe of CPT, 612-949-1728

-30- 658

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RICHARDSON, TEXAS (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - SPI Holding Inc. reports a net loss of $15.5 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to a net loss of $18.1 million for the same quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended

September 30, 1990, SPI reports a net loss of $52.7 million as compared to a net loss of $54.6 million for the same period of 1989. A $4 million extraordinary loss due to the early extinguishment of debt within the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989 was offset by higher interest expense and depreciation expense for the comparable periods of 1990.

Revenues for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 29 percent to $43.5 million from $33.7 million for the comparable three months of 1989. Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 19 percent to $115.7 million from $96.8 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The increase in revenues for the three months and the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 is primarily due to a larger base of pay-per-view rooms and the effect of a price per movie increase in 1990.

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SUNNYVALE, Calif. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Nanometrics Inc. (NASDAQ: NANO) and Optical Specialties Inc. announced that an Agreement and Plan of Reorganization was signed by the chief executive officers of both companies on Nov. 9, 1990. The boards of directors of both companies approved the acquisition and merger, subject to certain conditions, on Nov. 8, 1990. The acquisition and merger is subject to the approval of the stockholders of OSI, customary regulatory approvals, renegotiation of certain liabilities and contractual agreements and other normal conditions of closing.

Vincent J. Coates, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Nanometrics, was also elected chief financial officer by the board. Gary L. Larson resigned as president, chief operating officer, and chief financial officer to pursue other interests. He had previously resigned as a director. It is expected that Jack Harris, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of OSI, will become president, chief executive officer, and chief financial officer of Nanometrics upon completion of the merger in late December 1990 or January 1991. Coates will retain his position as chairman of the board.

Nanometrics and OSI both develop and manufacture metrology and inspection systems for semiconductor process control and their product lines are highly complementary.

CONTACT: Vincent J. Coates of Nanometrics, 408-746-1600; or Jack R. Harris of OSI, 415-490-6400

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced a decrease in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The decrease of $1.50/bbl was effective today at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$32.50 for West Texas Intermediate $30.50 for West Texas Sour $33.00 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E67. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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WORCESTER, MASS (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - BankWorcester Corporation (NASDAQ: BNKW) announced that at 6 p.m. today, its subsidiary, Worcester County Institution for Savings (WCiS), assumed the insured Worcester deposits and Worcester banking operations of Home Federal Savings Bank, Worcester, Mass. WCiS paid a premium of $1.2 million for the right to receive the transferred deposits.

Home Federal Worcester offices will reopen for business as offices of WCiS, on Tuesday, Nov. 13, 1990. BankWorcester President Harold Cabot stated, "For Home Federal's Worcester customers, the transfer of deposits to WCiS should be a very positive development. For BankWorcester the transfer represents a very attractive body of core deposits of approximately $110 million acquired at a premium of only about 1.1 percent. We intend to use these deposits to repay some $90 million of borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank, which will result in improved liquidity and lower costs for us. We will be able to serve Home Federal's Worcester customers with very little additional operations costs. Home Federal locations in Yarmouth, Marshfield and Brockton are not part of the transaction," he said.

Worcester County Institution for Savings and BankWorcester are headquartered in Worcester, the second largest city in New England. Assets as of Sept. 30, 1990, were approximately $1.1 billion.

CONTACT: Harold Cabot of BankWorcester, 508-831-4265

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#90313p5525 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHPORT, Conn. (NOV. 9) PR NEWSWIRE - Hunter Environmental Services Inc. (NASDAQ: HESI) announced the results for the first six months and second quarter of fiscal 1991 - the periods ended Sept. 30, 1990. Results of

continuing operations for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 aggregated a net loss of $523,000 comprised of $430,000 from Hunter Industrial Facilities Inc. (HIFI), a majority owned subsidiary of HESI and $93,000 from HESI. Results for the second quarter ended September 30, 1990 were a net loss of $280,000 comprised of $216,000 from HIFI and $64,000 from HESI.

HESI Interest, general and administrative expenses were substantially offset by dividend and interest income on the proceeds received in consideration for the discontinued operations. During fiscal 1990, HESI discontinued its operational businesses in order to reduce debt and provide working capital for HIFI. As of Sept. 30, 1990, the disposition of all of these businesses is complete except for an insurance company which is in the process of being liquidated. HESI's current year expenses are down substantially from $3.2 million for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989 and $2.2 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. The decreases are primarily due to significant personnel reductions made after the disposition transactions in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990--the three months ended March 31, 1990.

HIFI HIFI is in the permitting process for the development of facilities in Liberty County, Texas, which will utilize underground salt dome caverns for the disposal of hazardous waste. HIFI is also planning to apply for permits concerning adjacent industrial park development and the development of projects for the storage of natural gas and a wide range of other petrochemical products in underground salt dome caverns.

HIFI's loss has increased from the comparable periods a year ago primarily due to an increase in permit related activity as described below.

HIFI received the required draft permit for salt dome hazardous waste storage and began the related public hearing before the Texas Water Commission (TWC) on August 14, 1990. This initial portion of the hearing established the participants for the remainder of the hearing which will be devoted to the technical merits of the application request for final permitting. As is customary, the opposition requested several lengthy continuances in order to prepare for the evidentiary portion of the public hearings. The hearings examiner has granted a continuance until Feb. 11, 1991 and has stated he will not look favorably on any additional requests for delay. HIFI continues to believe that it will receive the necessary permits for the salt dome project in the middle of calendar 1991.

HIFI Warrants Hunter has also recently announced that the termination date for the Class A Redeemable Common Stock Purchase Warrants of HIFI (Class A Warrants) has been extended to Dec. 17, 1990. Existing warrant certificates will not be amended or replaced as a result of this extension. The other terms of the Class A Warrants remain unchanged. In that regard, 12.28334 Class A Warrants and $2.09 are required to purchase one share of HIFI Common Stock. Warrants may be exercised by contacting Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Co.

Hunter Environmental Services, Inc. is an environmental service company devoted to developing and providing environmentally safe solutions to the fundamental problems surrounding disposal of hazardous waste.

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#90313p5538 11/09/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNNYVALE, CA. (NOV. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Atari Corp. (AMEX: ATC) today reported operating results for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990 -- Sales $89.1 million, Net Income $3 million.

Sales for the third quarter 1990 increased 9.5 percent to $89.1 million as compared to $81.4 million for the like quarter last year. Sales for the first nine months were $259.6 million as compared to $253 million for 1989. Net income for the third quarter 1990 was $3 million as compared to a net loss of $5.4 million for 1989. Net income for the nine months ended 1990 was $6.1 million as compared to a net loss of $1.8 million for 1989.

During the quarter, the company repurchased a portion of its 5 1/4 percent subordinated convertible debentures which resulted in an extraordinary credit of $6.9 million. There was no tax effect associated with this transaction. In addition, during the third quarter 1990 the company made additional inventory reserves and accordingly has charged earnings.

Atari president, Sam Tramiel said, "The Atari TT030, based on the Motorola 68030 microprocessor, which started shipping during the third quarter, has been well received. In addition, the company is shipping an additional nine software titles for Lynx, its handheld color video game system." For the Christmas selling season a total of 17 titles for Lynx will be available at retail level.

Atari Corp. is one of the largest companies in the world manufacturing and marketing personal computers and video games for the home, office and educational marketplaces. Atari headquarters is located at 1196 Borregas Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94089. Telephone: 408-745-2000 FAX: 408-745-5179.

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NEW YORK (NOV 9) TASS - THE 45TH U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION BEGAN TO DISCUSS INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN OVERCOMING CONSEQUENCES OF THE CHERNOBYL NUCLEAR PLANT ACCIDENT. THE SECOND COMMITTEE OF THE SESSION (ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL MATTERS) DISCUSSED ON THURSDAY THE REPORT OF THE U.N. ECONOMIC AND

SOCIAL COUNCIL (ECOSOC). IT WAS PREPARED ON THE BASIS OF THE INFORMATION, SUPPLIED BY A U.N. MISSION, THAT VISITED LAST SEPTEMBER THE AREAS OF RUSSIA, THE UKRAINE AND BYELORUSSIA, AFFECTED BY THE CHERNOBYL ACCIDENT.

THE OVERCOMING OF CONSEQUENCES OF THIS ACCIDENT, UNPRECEDENTED BY ITS SCOPE, REQUIRES COORDINATED ACTIONS OF THE WORLD COMMUNITY AND CANNOT BE REGARDED AS A PROBLEM OF A SINGLE COUNTRY, GERALD HINTEREGGER, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE ECONOMIC COUNCIL FOR EUROPE, WHO LED THE MISSION, SAID AT THE SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE.

"WE ARE FULLY AWARE OF THE FACT THAT THE VOLUME OF THE WORK TO BE DONE IS SO GREAT THAT IT WOULD BE BOTH CONCEITED AND ANTI-HUMANE WITH REGARD TO CHERNOBYL VICTIMS TO COUNT ONLY ON OUR OWN RESOURCES," SAID GENNADY UDOVENKO, PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UKRAINE AT THE UNITED NATIONS ORGANISATION.

ANDREY KOZYREV, RUSSIAN MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND MEMBER OF THE SOVIET DELEGATION AT THE SESSION, SAID THAT THE OVERCOMING OF CONSEQUENCES OF THE CHERNOBYL AICCIDENT IS A PRIORITY TASK OF THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT, WHICH IS NOW IMPLEMENTING AN AMBITIOUS PROGRAMME OF MEASURES, AIMED AT STABILISING THE SITUATION IN THE DISTRESS AREAS.

THE REPORT, WHICH WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, CONTAINS RECOMMENDATIONS TO WORK OUT A PROGRAMME OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION WITHIN THE U.N. FRAMEWORK, WHOSE PURPOSE WILL BE TO ALLEVIATE THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE CHERNOBYL ACCIDENT, AND TO CREATE A SPECIAL FUND OF VOLUNTARY DONATIONS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME.

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BONN (NOV 9) TASS -- "I AM CONFIDENT THAT WE HAVE MADE THE ONLY CORRECT CHOICE. WE HAVE MADE A DEEPLY THOUGHT-OUT LONG-TERM DECISION, MEETING THE VITAL INTERESTS AND THE TIME-HONOURED TRADITION OF BOTH NATIONS AND STATES," PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV SAID ABOUT THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TREATY OF GOOD-NEIGHBOURLINESS, PARTNERSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AND THE TREATY ON THE FINAL SETTLEMENT AROUND GERMANY SIGNED IN MOSCOW TWO MONTHS AGO.

SPEAKING TODAY DURING THE CEREMONY OF SIGNING THE SOVIET- GERMAN TREATY, GORBACHEV EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT THE SOVIET- GERMAN TREATY "WILL NOT REMAIN AN ISOLATED EPISODE BUT A CONSTANT COMPONENT OF A NEW PEACEFUL ORDER WHICH IS BEING CREATED BY THE EFFORTS OF ALL PARTICIPANTS IN THE ALL-EUROPEAN PROCESS."

STRESSING IN PARTICULAR THAT THIS DOCUMENT IS "NOT DIRECTED AGAINST ANYONE", GORBACHEV SAID "OUR ACCORD AND COOPERATION ARE PART OF THE LOAD-CARRYING STRUCTURES OF THE COMMON EUROPEAN HOME, IN WHICH SECURITY FOR EACH WILL BE SECURITY FOR ALL AND IN WHICH UNIVERSAL HUMAN VALUES AND THE SPIRIT OF RESPECT SOLIDARITY AND GOOD-NEIGHBOURLINESS WILL TRIUMPH".

MIKHAIL GORBACHEV SINGLED OUT THE FACT THAT THE SOVIET-GERMAN TREATY "DOES NOT STAND IN ISOLATION", THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS RECENTLY SIGNED A TREATY OF CONCORD AND COOPERATION WITH FRANCE_ AND A POLITICAL DECLARATION OF COOPERATION WITH SPAIN, AS WELL AS, EARLIER, WITH FINLAND AND ITALY.

THE SOVIET PRESIDENT NOTED THAT AN AGREEMENT HAD BEEN REACHED TO SIGN A TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION WITH ITALY AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT AN AGREEMENT ON SIGNING A SOVIET-BRITISH DECLARATION WAS NOT FAR AWAY.

ALL THESE ACTS, AS WELL AS OTHER POTENTIAL BILATERAL AGREEMENTS, GORBACHEV NOTED, "ORGANICALLY FIT INTO THE BUILDING OF COMMON EUROPEAN STRUCTURES, WHICH AWAIT APPROVAL AT THE FORTHCOMING PARIS SUMMIT, A TRULY EPOCH-MAKING EVENT".

ADDRESSING CITIZENS OF THE UNITED GERMANY, PRESIDENT GORBACHEV SAID, "OUR TREATY IS REMARKABLE FOR THE CLARITY OF POSITIONS AND INTENTIONS, ITS ORIENTATION TOWARDS THE FUTURE AND OPENNESS TO ALL WHO WANTS TO TAKE PART IN BUILDING A NEW EUROPE ON A NEW BASIS. LET US, WITHOUT DELAY AND DOUBT, MAKE GOOD-NEIGHBOURLINESS, PARTNERSHIP AND COOPERATION DAILY, HABITUAL THINGS IN THE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN OUR GREAT NATIONS. MAY THE SOVIET-GERMAN TREATY CONCLUDED FOR TWENTY YEARS TURN INTO A TREATISE ON "ETERNAL PEACE".

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(NOV. 9) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Chicago at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Washington, 8 p.m.
Cleveland at Indiana, 8 p.m.
Charlotte at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Orlando at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Seattle at Denver, 9:30 p.m.
Sacramento at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Detroit at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

GOLF

Maui, Hawaii - PGA Isuzu Kapalua International

HOCKEY

Vancouver at Buffalo, 7:35 p.m.
NY Rangers at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.
Hartford at Winnipeg, 8:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Indianapolis - $150,000 Kraft General Foods
London - $500,000 Silk Cut Championships
Moscow - $330,000 Kremlin Cup
Worcester, Mass. - $350,000 Virginia Slims of New England

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(NOV. 9) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	3	0	1.000	-
Philadelphia	2	1	.667	1
New York	2	2	.500	1 1/2
Miami	1	2	.333	2
Washington	1	2	.333	2
New Jersey	1	3	.250	2 1/2

CENTRAL DIVISION

Atlanta	3	0	1.000	-
Detroit	3	1	.750	1/2
Milwaukee	3	1	.750	1/2
Indiana	2	1	.667	1
Charlotte	2	2	.500	1 1/2
Cleveland	2	2	.500	1 1/2
Chicago	1	3	.250	2 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Dallas	3	1	.750	-
San Antonio	2	1	.667	1/2
Utah	2	1	.667	1/2
Houston	2	2	.500	1
Minnesota	1	3	.250	2
Denver	0	4	.000	3
Orlando	0	4	.000	3

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	3	0	1.000	-
Seattle	2	0	1.000	1/2

Phoenix	2	1	.667	1
Golden State	2	2	.500	1 1/2
LA Clippers	2	2	.500	1 1/2
LA Lakers	0	2	.000	2 1/2
Sacramento	0	3	.000	3

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#90313u0154 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - The number of American forces in the Persian Gulf will go up by about one-third by the beginning of 1991. President Bush announced the deployment of more than 100-thousand additional G-I's Thursday. Defense Secretary Cheney says the forces will be in place after the start of the new year.

A bi-partisian coalition of congressmen plans to nominate black South African leader Nelson Mandela for the 1991 Nobel Peace Prize. 66 congressmen... led by Michigan Democrat John Conyers... signed a letter nominating Mandela. The letter will be sent to the Nobel Committee in Norway Friday.

President Bush is saying NO more tax increases. Bush told White House reporters Thursday he's sorry he broke his promise for the deficit- cutting budget. And he says he may use his veto if Congress again asks him to increase taxes. Bush at least promises ''a whale of a fight.''

Government experts say credit and charge-card fraud may cost card- holders and companies as much as 500-Million dollars a year. The experts say the peak ''plastic season'' is approaching... the holidays. And they warn people to take extra precautions to guard their cards against thieves.

The American Cancer Society says a computer network will take the first nation-wide look at cancer patients' treatment and survival. The A-C-S says the information should improve cancer therapy. Currently, there is NO comprehensive way of tracking how the one-Million Americans diagnosed with cancer each year are treated... or how they respond to the treatment.

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#90313u0190 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - 100-thousand more U-S troops are headed for the Persian Gulf. Defense Secretary Cheney says the fresh troops will be in place sometime after January 1st. The number of aircraft carriers in the region will increase from three to six.

Secretary of State Baker held meetings in Moscow Thursday with Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze and Soviet President Gorbachev. Shevardnadze says it may become necessary to use armed force to force Iraq to leave Kuwait.

President Bush told reporters Thursday that he has some fences to mend before the 1992 elections. Bush acknowledged his switch on taxes was costly. But Bush promised what he called ''a whale of a fight'' if Democrats resort to any more tax increases in the future.

A study of people who underwent ''near-death experiences'' suggests that many of the events are psychological. The study found that many people who said they had near-death experiences actually were never really in danger of dying.

A jury in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, Thursday convicted a man of raping a mentally ill woman by taking advantage of what psychiatrists said was one of her 46 personalities. Mark Peterson was found guilty of second- degree sexual assault.

Japan is preparing to install a new emperor. Nearly two years after the death of Emperor Hirohito, his son Akihito will proclaim his accession to the throne in a palace ceremony on Monday. The enthronement ceremony will be attended by representatives from 158 nations, the United Nations and European Community.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	12	6	0	24	75	45
Washington	10	7	0	20	56	51
New Jersey	9	6	1	19	62	54
Philadelphia	9	8	0	18	64	63
Pittsburgh	8	7	1	17	72	62
NY Islanders	6	10	0	12	46	67

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	9	5	2	20	48	52
Montreal	8	7	2	18	53	52
Buffalo	5	6	4	14	47	47
Hartford	4	8	3	11	34	49
Quebec	3	11	3	9	43	68

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
St. Louis	11	4	1	23	56	42
Chicago	11	6	1	23	58	41
Detroit	7	7	3	17	62	68

Minnesota	4	9	4	12	45	62
Toronto	2	15	1	5	48	89
SMYTHE DIVISION						
Calgary	12	6	0	24	81	53
Los Angeles	11	4	1	23	71	46
Vancouver	9	7	0	18	53	52
Winnipeg	6	9	1	13	50	51
Edmonton	2	10	2	6	35	44

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#90313u0232 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) UPI - A bipartisian coalition of congressmen announced Friday they will nominate African National Congress Deputy President Nelson Mandela for the 1991 Nobel Peace Prize.

Sixty-six congressmen, led by Rep. John Conyers Jr., D-Mich., signed a letter of nomination praising Mandela as a ''man who has sacrificed much of his life in uncompromising opposition to repression and a commitment to democratic ideals and self-determination.''

Mandela, a pre-eminent leader in the fight against apartheid, was releaed from prison by the South African government Feb. 11 after serving 27 years of a life term for sabotage and trying to overthrow the government.

National legislators are among a select group authorized by the Nobel Peace Prize Committee to make award nominations. The nomination was to be sent to the Committee in Oslo, Norway, later Friday, Conyers said.

''For over a quarter of a century, from the confines of his jail cell, Nelson Mandela provided spiritual and moral leadership for the anti-apartheid movement. His dignity and sheer fortitude inspired lovers of freedom and justice throughout the world and helped generate a national and international movement for the liberation of his people,'' the nomination letter said.

Those signing the nomination letter included House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash.; Majority Leader Richard Gephardt, D-Mo.; and Whip William Gray, D-Pa.

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#90313u0235 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - If free throws are any indication, the Houston Rockets should be in for a better season in 1990-91.

Sleepy Floyd sank four free throws in the final 13 seconds and Houston scored its final 10 points from the line Thursday night, holding on for a 103-99 victory over the winless Orlando Magic.

The victory marked the second straight game in which the Rockets won a game based on their free throw proficiency down the stretch. On Tuesday night, Kenny Smith shot six free throws in the final 1:09 to help Houston hang on for a 145-135 victory over Denver.

''All in all, our free throws have improved,'' Houston Coach Don Chaney said. ''We lost a lot of games last year that we would have won if we had made our free throws.''

Akeem Olajuwon, who grabbed 19 rebounds, scored 13 of his 25 points in the fourth quarter, including seven free throws at the end. Overall, Houston scored 12 of its final 14 points at the free-throw line.

''It was ugly, but it was one we needed to win,'' said Vernon Maxwell, who had 16 points. ''We lost a lot of games like this last year.''

Smith added 17 points and 10 assists for the Rockets, while Otis Thorpe scored 16 points.

Orlando, which trailed by 16 points in the first half, led 78-77 entering the fourth quarter and still led 92-91 on a 3-point jumper by Scott Skiles wih 4:50 left.

Olajuwon then scored five of Houston's next six points over the next 3:36, while the Rockets held Orlando scoreless in the same span, for a 97-92 lead.

The Magic trimmed the deficit to three twice, and were within 99-98 with 14 seconds left after free throws by Sam Vincent and Dennis Scott. Floyd hit two free throws for Houston, Scott sank one for Orlando, then Floyd sealed the victory with two free throws with eight seconds left.

''We've had sluggish starts in every one of our four games so far,'' Orlando Coach Matt Guokas said. ''Consequently, we have to play to the other team's tempo.''

Scott, the fourth player taken in the draft, paced Orlando with 28 points.

In other NBA action Thursday night, New Jersey beat Miami 114-103, New York dumped Washington 114-103, Milwaukee blasted Philadelphia 141- 111, and Utah pounded San Antonio 103-94.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Nets 114, Heat 103

At East Rutherford, N.J., Mookie Blaylock scored 11 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter to lead the Nets. Reggie Theus scored 24 points for the Nets,

who won their home opener after dropping their first three games on the road. Sherman Douglas led Miami with 24 points.

Knicks 114, Bullets 103

At New York, Patrick Ewing scored 32 points, pulled down 15 rebounds and blockled 7 shots to lead the Knicks. New York posted its seventh straight victory over Washington, including all five games last year. Bernard King led the Bullets with 30 points.

Bucks 141, Sixers 111

At Milwaukee, Ricky Pierce scored 28 points and Jay Humphries added 13 of his 25 points in the third quarter to lift the Bucks. Frank Brickowski added 18 points for Milwaukee, which outscored the Sixers 41- 19 in the third quarter. Charles Barkley paced Philadelphia with 27 points.

Jazz 103, Spurs 94

At Salt Lake City, John Stockton recorded 24 points and 17 assists and Jeff Malone scored 17 of his 19 points in the second half to lead the Jazz. The loss was the 13th straight for the Spurs at Utah, dating back to February 1986. Terry Cummings led San Antonio with 25 points.

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#90313u0240 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - The St. Louis Blues have found out the three most important factors in winning games - location, location, location.

Gino Cavallini's power-play goal at 4:31 of the third period Thursday night lifted the Blues to a 3-2 victory over the Pittsburgh Penguins. The victory was the third straight for the Blues and gave St. Louis a 9- 1-1 mark in its last 11 games. The loss snapped Pittsburgh's four-game winning streak.

''We scored three goals by putting the puck on the net,'' said St. Louis Coach Brian Sutter, noting how deflections help the Blues. ''You don't score if you don't have people going to the net and standing in front of the net.''

Positioned in the right faceoff circle, Cavallini tipped a shot from the right point by Jeff Brown past goaltender Tom Barrasso at 4:31 of the third period to give St. Louis the victory.

''I passed to Brown on the point, and I had just finished telling him, 'Just keep it down around my waist,' if he's going to shoot it,'' Cavallini said. ''He just took a wrister in, and it hit the shaft of my stick.''

The Blues tied the score 2-2 at 1:51 of the third period with Tony Tanti

serving a major penalty for high-sticking Geoff Courtnall. Paul Cavallini passed across the slot to Michel Mongeau, who put the puck by Barrasso from the right edge of the crease for his first goal of the season.

The Penguins took a 1-0 lead at 5:23 of the first period on a goal by John Cullen, who entered the game as the NHL's leading scorer with six goals and 26 assists. Mark Recchi intercepted a pass from behind the net by Ron Wilson at the right edge of the crease, passed to Cullen at the left side of the crease, and he put the puck underneath goaltender Curtis Joseph.

''I've got to give credit to Joseph,'' Pittsburgh Coach Bob Johnson said. ''We had a lot of quality opportunities. They picked two (goals) out of the air. What are you going to do?

''St. Louis is a close-checking team, a good road team. They try to get you frustrated, and they did a pretty good job of it. We had some great chances.''

Pittsburgh increased its lead to 2-0 on Kevin Stevens' 10th goal at 16:42. Cullen carried the puck over the blue line into the left faceoff circle and dropped it to Stevens, who scored over Joseph's right shoulder.

''They're right up there at the top of the league,'' Stevens said of the Blues. ''They're a tough team with a great defense. That's how they win hockey games.We had some chances, but their goalie came up big.''

The Blues cut the lead to 2-1 at 8:46 of the second period on a goal by Paul MacLean. Scott Stevens fired a slap shot from the left point, and MacLean, positioned in the left faceoff circle, tipped the puck by Barrasso.

Elsewhere in the NHL on Thursday night, Calgary crushed Philadelphia 8-2, Vancouver topped Toronto 5-3, Chicago beat Edmonton 5-3, Minnesota stymied Quebec 3-2 and Los Angeles beat Detroit 5-1.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Flames 8, Flyers 2

At Philadelphia, Sergei Makarov and Joe Nieuwendyk each scored one goal and three assists for Calgary. The Flames outshot Philadelphia 44- 27 and dominated play for most of the game, scoring four goals in the first 6:31 of the third period and hand the Flyers their fourth loss in their last five home games.

Canucks 5, Maple Leafs 3

At Toronto, Brian Bradley and Steve Bozek each scored a goal and an assist for Vancouver. Gary Valk closed out the scoring at 8:16 of the third period with his first NHL goal.

Blackhawks 5, Oilers 3

At Chicago, Chris Chelios, Steve Thomas and Mike Hudson each had a goal and an assist to help the Blackhawks hand Edmonton its eighth straight loss. The Oilers are 1-8 since Mark Messier went out of the lineup Oct. 16 with a knee injury. The previous franchise record for consecutive losses was six.

North Stars 3, Nordiques 2

In Bloomington, Minn., Jon Casey stopped 24 shots, helping Minnesota hand Quebec its eighth straight loss. Casey had shut out the Nordiques 2-0 last week in Quebec. The North Stars extend their unbeaten streak to three games at 2-0-1.

Kings 5, Red Wings 1

At Los Angeles, Jay Miller and Todd Elik scored first-period goals and Kelly Hrudey made 28 saves to lead the Kings. Wayne Gretzky added his 11th goal of the season and Tomas Sandstrom scored his ninth and added an assist for Los Angeles.

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TOKYO (NOV. 9) UPI - Nearly two years after the death of Emperor Hirohito, the Japanese are ready to formally pass the crown to his son, Akihito, in a religious ceremony that has roots reaching back 2,600 years.

The 56-year-old son of Hirohito will proclaim his accession to the throne in a palace ceremony Monday following a lifetime of preparation in his father's shadow. The rites will be held under intense security.

The enthronement ceremony will be attended by representatives from 157 nations the United Nations and European Community, slightly fewer than the 163 representatives who attended Hirohito's funeral in February 1989.

The enthronement and related religious rites on Nov. 22 and 23 in which the emperor offers rice to a Shinto goddess have stirred considerable controversy in Japan.

Christian and citizens groups have protested the government's funding of the Shinto ceremony as a violation of Japan's constitutional guarantee of separation of church and state.

Shinto is Japan's indigenous religion based on the worship of nature and ancestors and the divinity of the emperor. It was Japan's state religion prior to 1945 and was used during World War II as a tool of militarists.

More than 1,500 people joined in a lawsuit in an attempt to block government funding of the enthronement ceremonies, which will cost taxpayers an equivalent of $81 million. The suit is pending.

Akihito, who married a commoner he met on a tennis court at a mountain resort, is considered a liberal emperor who is breaking with many of the traditions of the 2,600-year-old Chrysanthemum Throne.

Akihito took over the duties of emperor Jan. 7, 1989, after Hirohito died of cancer.

He has dispensed with the formal language his father used in favor of simple Japanese in his proclamations and speeches.

He is the first emperor to raise his own children rather than send them away to be cared for by servants.

His own education included tutoring by an American Quaker woman after Japan's defeat in World War II.

Radical leftists who want to abolish the emperor system have vowed to march on the palace Monday and disrupt the ceremony, a threat police are taking seriously.

Police blamed the leftist for setting two time bombs at a police dormitory that exploded Nov. 1, killing one officer and injuring six people.

An army of 37,000 police, including several thousand who were bused in from surrounding cities, have blanketed Tokyo in an effort to frustrate the leftists.

The police have sealed manhole covers, sent frogmen into the palace moat to search for bombs and covered the subways with advertisements asking citizens to report anything suspicious they see or hear.

Among those attending the enthronement will be U.S. Vice President Dan Quayle, Supreme Soviet Chairman Anatoly Lukyanov, Prince Charles and Princess Diana of Britain, U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar and Philippine President Corazon Aquino.

Many smaller nations will send their presidents or prime ministers, in part because of Japan's ranking as the world's largest donor of foreign aid - $6.8 billion in 1989.

One local writer observed that the gathering of world leaders in search of Japanese donations makes the ceremony more like a reading of a will than an enthronement.

Japan took back its invitation to Iraq because of the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. Kuwaiti Prince Nasser, who is living in Saudi Arabia, will attend.

The Japan Socialist Party, the largest opposition political party, has objected to a plan to have the prime minister lead three ''Banzai'' cheers at the end of the enthronement ceremony.

The banzai cheer, which literally means 10,000 years for the emperor, is too closely associated with Japan's military aggression in World War II, the Socialists say.

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MANILA, Philippines (NOV. 9) UPI - Troops carrying out a military operation have killed 95 communist guerrillas in an area where an American was kidnapped three weeks ago, officials said Friday.

The operation, centered in the mountainous Luna town 260 miles north of Manila left four soldiers dead, a military report said.

Luna is 20 miles west of Aparri, where American Arvy Duane Drown was abducted Oct. 18, officials said.

It was unclear if the operation was connected with the kidnapping of Drown, but the report by regional commander Brig. Gen. Juanito Aquias said it began late last month.

At least 95 guerrillas of the communist New People's Army were killed in the assault, Aquias reported Friday. He said the Marag Valley in Luna served as the seat of the NPA ''de facto government'' in northern Luzon.

U.S. Embassy spokesman David Andresen said Friday there has been no new development in the case of Drown. He said there has been no contact with the kidnappers.

Relatives of Drown have been informed about the reported abduction, but the U.S. Embassy has declined to reveal the hometown of the American or his personal circumstances, citing the U.S. Privacy Act.

The Philippine military said Drown is an ex-Marine from California who holds a U.S. passport issued in Seattle, Wash. He was first reported by the military to be a missionary, but this was denied by the embassy.

The military said Drown and several Filipinos in a jeep were seized as hostages by communist guerrillas.

The driver of the jeep, Romeo Manlag, 27, told United Press International Friday he and four other Filipinos were freed in the Aparri area a day after they were abducted.

But he said their kidnappers, about 20 youths armed with rifles, told them: ''We're taking the white man. We need him.''

Manlag said Drown had been carrying a substantial amount of money and had hired the Filipinos, including two women and geodetic engineers, to accompany him in a treasure-hunting expedition when the group was kidnapped.

Groups have been searching for the supposed cache of World War II loot tucked away by Japanese Imperial Army Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita.

Manlag said that after the Filipinos were freed, they returned to the scene of the kidnapping, took their jeep and returned to Manila. He said the group brought back Drown's money, concealed in the jeep.

Andresen said he could not confirm Manlag's story.

Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos has ordered the military to negotiate the release of Drown and enlist the help of local officials in the effort.

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MANILA, Philippines (NOV. 9) UPI - The Philippines and the United States Friday ended their second round of talks on the future of strategic U.S. military facilities and agreed to meet again next month in Manila, spokesmen said.

Spokesmen for the two panels reported progress in negotiations and expressed optimism a new agreement would be reached by January.

The Philippines hosts six military facilities, including the sprawling Clark Air Base and Subic Bay Naval complex. Manned by some 14, 500 troops, Clark and Subic are the oldest and largest U.S. facilities overseas.

The 1947 treaty covering the facilities expires Sept. 16, 1991.

''The discussions over the past two days were useful in widening the areas of consensus and narrowing the areas still to be discussed in more detail,'' U.S. spokesman Stanley Schrager said.

He said nothing definite had been decided and ''there will be no agreement until there is an entire agreement.''

In the interim, technical panels will continue meeting to thrash out various

issues in a broader agreement the panels envisioned, including trade, addressing the Philippines' $26 billion foreign debt, education and science and technology.

Schrager said special U.S. negotiator Richard Armitage will return to Washington with ''this general feeling of an increased spirit of cooperation and looks forward personally and professionally to the next round of talks, now scheduled for sometime in December here in Manila.''

Philippine spokesman Rafael Alunan said Manila was standing by its position it would assume ''sovereign control of the military facilities by next year.''

The United States wants a 10- to 12-year extension of basing rights and a limited presence after that.

Alunan said the Philippines welcomed the announcement by Armitage on Wednesday that all U.S. fighter planes will be withdrawn from the Philippines by next year in accordance with Philippine wishes.

He said this was a sign of U.S. ''commitment to work with us for joint use arrangement by next year and for an orderly phaseout of their forces.''

President Corazon Aquino, responding to reporters' questions about the impact of the withdrawal of U.S. jet fighters by next year, said ''the Philippines will be equal to any task that sovereignty requires of us.''

''The demands we press are, as they must always be, consistent both with our capabilities and our national honor and interest,'' Aquino said.

Philippine defense and military officials said the pullout of U.S. jet fighters required Manila to begin a build-up of its air force.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

WASHINGTON (103)

H. Grant 4-9 0-0 8, King 12-30 6-6 30, Jones 3-3 2-3 8, Robinson 2-7 2-2 6, Walker 4-10 2-6 10, Ellison 6-9 0-0 12, Alarie 3-8 1-2 7, English 7-13 1-1 15, Workman 0-1 0-0 0, Hammonds 0-1 1-2 1, Foster 3-5 0-0 6. Totals 44-96 15-22 103.

NEW YORK (114)

Oakley 6-9 5-6 17, Vandeweghe 7-11 5-5 21, Ewing 13-19 6-8 32, Jackson 4-11 5-8 13, G.Wilkins 4-8 1-1 9, Quinnett 1-3 0-0 2, Tucker 4-10 0-0 8, Mustaf 2-5

0-0 4, Cheeks 0-1 0-0 0, G. Grant 1-2 0-0 2, E. Wilkins 2-3 2-2 6. Totals 44-82 24-30 114.

Washington	33	31	22	17-103
New York	31	32	25	26-114

Three-point goals-Vandeweghe 2. Fouled out-Oakley. Total fouls-Washington 30, New York 25. Rebounds-Washington 37 (Walker 7), New York 45 (Ewing 15). Assists-Washington 25 (King 8), New York 27 (Jackson 6). A-11,877.

MIAMI (103)

Rice 6-13 3-4 15, Davis 3-6 6-7 12, Seikaly 4-13 9-11 17, Douglas 8-16 8-10 24 Edwards 6-15 1-2 13, Coles 0-3 0-4 0, Kessler 4-7 3-9 11, Wagner 2-3 0-0 5, Thompson 2-2 2-2 6. Totals 35-78 32-49 103.

NEW JERSEY (114)

Morris 5-10 5-8 15, Haley 3-10 2-2 8, Bowie 2-7 0-0 4, Blaylock 9-18 3-4 22, Theus 9-17 6-6 24, Dudley 1-4 4-9 6, Coleman 4-9 5-9 13, Buechler 2-2 2-2 6, Conner 2-4 2-2 6, Gervin 3-10 0-0 6, Lee 0-0 0-0 0, George 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 42-95 29- 42 114.

Miami	25	21	27	30-103
New Jersey	30	23	25	36-114

Three-point goals-Wagner; Blaylock. Fouled out-Davis, Kessler, Bowie, Dudley. Total fouls-Miami 33. New Jersey 35. Rebounds-Miami 49 (Kessler 12), New Jersey 47 (Coleman 10). Assists-Miami 18 (Douglas 9), New Jersey 22 (Theus 6). Technicals-Miami (illegal defense), Douglas; Bowie. A-12,138.

PHILADELPHIA (111)

Barkely 9-11 8-9 27, Mahorn 7-7 3-4 17, Gminski 2-9 7-9 11, Dawkins 1-1 2-2 4, Hawkins 2-8 5-6 9, Green 2-8 3-3 7, Bol 0-0 0-0 0, R. Anderson 4-8 0-0 9, Oliver 3-8 0-0 6, Williams 3-9 2-6 8, Payne 6-10 0-0 13. Totals 39-79 30-39 111.

MILWAUKEE (141)

Brickowski 8-9 2-2 18, Roberts 4-8 0-0 8, Sikma 2-6 4-4 8, Humphries 10-13 3-3 25, Robertson 6-10 0-0 12, Grayer 5-7 0-1 10, Pierce 9-14 7-9 28, G. Anderson 6-10 0-2 12, Schayes 4-7 2-2 10, Lohaus 2-7 0-0 6, Henson 1-1 2-2 4, Kornet 0-4 0-0 0. Totals 57-96 20-25 141.

Philadelphia	30	30	19	32-111
Milwaukee	33	36	41	31-141

Three-point goals-Pierce 3, Humphries 2, Lohaus 2, Barkely, R. Anderson, Payne. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Philadelphia 20, Milwaukee 27. Rebounds-Philadelphia 38 (Gminski 9), Milwaukee 37 (G. Anderson 9). Assists-Philadelphia 19 (Green 8), Milwaukee 33 (Robertson 12). Technicals-Mahorn 2 (ejected), Hawkins. A-13,475.

ORLANDO (99)

Catledge 2-6 2-2 6, Scott 10-20 5-6 28, Kite 2-4 0-0 4, Anderson 7-20 2-3 16, Vincent 3-9 4-5 10, O. Smith 4-8 0-0 8, Ansley 5-8 3-3 13, Turner 0-4 0-0 0, Skiles 3-10 0-0 8, Reynolds 3-6 0-0 6, McNamara 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-95 16-19 99.

HOUSTON (103)

Thorpe 4-13 8-9 16, Wood 3-6 2-2 9, Olajuwon 7-16 11-13 25, Maxwell 7-16 1-2 16, K. Smith 6-15 4-4 17, Feitl 1-3 0-0 2, Floyd 2-7 4-4 8, Woodson 4-10 0-0 8 L. Smith 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 35-87 30-34 103.

Orlando	17	31	30	21-	99
Houston	29	23	25	26-	103

Three-point goals-Scott 3, Skiles 2, Wood, Maxwell, K. Smith. Fouled out-Kite. Total fouls-Orlando 27, Houston 15. Rebounds-Orlando 51 (Kite 11), Houston 51 (Olajuwon 19). Assists-Orlando 25 (Vincent, Skiles 7), Houston 19 (K. Smith 10). Technicals- Houston Coach Chaney. A-12,358.

SAN ANTONIO (94)

Greenwood 2-3 2-2 6, Cummings 9-16 7-7 25, Robinson 7-17 8-12 22, Pressey 1-2 1-1 3, Elliott 5-15 4-5 14, Williams 1-4 0-0 2, Higgins 1-3 0-0 2, Dinkins 3-6 0-0 6, Green 4-9 2-2 10, Schintzius 2-7 0-1 4. Totals 35-82 24-30 94.

UTAH (103)

K.Malone 5-14 4-12 14, Eaton 2-2 1-1 5, Stockton 8-17 6-6 24, J. Malone 6-16 7-7 19, Bailey 9-14 0-0 18, Brown 2-3 1-2 5, Rudd 2-3 0-0 4, Munk 1-1 0-0 2, Edwards 1-5 2-2 4, Griffith 3-6 2-2 8 Totals 39-81 23-32 103.

San Antonio	26	20	23	25-	94
Utah	21	29	30	23-	103

Three-point goals-Stockton 2. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-San Antonio 27, Utah 22. Rebounds-San Antonio 44 (Robinson 10), Utah 40 (K.Malone 15). Assists-San Antonio 19 (Elliott 7), Utah 26 (Stockton 17). Technicals-Edwards. San Antonio 2 (illegal defense). A-12,616.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Quebec	1	0	1-2
Minnesota	0	2	1-3

First period-1, Quebec, Sanipass 1 (Sakic, Sundin), 6:53.

Penalties-Zettler, Min, :17; Gillis, Que, :17; Leschyshyn, Que, 8:30; McKegney Que, 11:14; Deblois, Que, 11:58; Smail, Min, 17:26.

Second period-2, Minnesota, Duchesne 1 (Smail), 3:28. 3, Minnesota, Churla 2 (Glynn, Smith), 14:47.

Penalties-Kimble, Que, major (fighting), 7:23; Churla, Min, major (fighting), 7:23; Finn, Que, 7:47; DePalma, Min, 7:47; Glynn, Min, 11:15; Giles, Min, 16:04; Petit, Que, 17:51.

Third period-4, Minnesota, Gagner 9 (Dahlen), 10:59. 5, Quebec, A.Broten 3 (McKegney, Loiselle), pp, 19:59.

Penalties-Casey, Min, (served by Dahlen), :47; Wolanin, Que, 4:07; Bellows, Min, 4:07; Glynn, Min, 5:15; Petit, Que, 5:15; Churla, Min, 5:30; Gillis, Que, 5:30; DePalma, Min, 12:02; McRae, Min, misconduct, 16:12; Churla, Min, misconduct, 16:12; Petit, Que, misconduct, 16:12; Smail, Min, 18:50.

Shots on goal-Quebec 10-5-11-26. Minnesota 9-10-8-27.

Power-play conversions-Quebec 6-0. Minnesota 4-0.

Goaltenders-Quebec, Gordon. Minnesota, Casey. A-5,286.

Referee-Richard Trottier.

Calgary	1	2	5-8
Philadelphia	1	0	1-2

First period-1, Philadelphia, Craven 4 (Tocchet, Acton), 14:46. 2, Calgary, Makarov 6 (Roberts, Nieuwendyk), 17:39.

Penalties-Musil, Cal, 3:43; Samuelsson, Phi, 9:24; Baron, Phi, 12:20.

Second period-3, Calgary, Nattress 1 (Priakin, Matteau), 6:18. 4, Calgary, Roberts 4 (Makarov, Musil), 10:37.

Penalties-None.

Third period-5, Calgary, Matteau 4 (Otto, MacInnis), 0:11. 6, Philadelphia, Kerr 5 (Huffman, Murphy), pp, 1:16. 7, Calgary, Otto 6 (Priakin, MacInnis), 1:40. 8, Calgary, Nieuwendyk 10 (Makarov), 2:21. 9, Calgary, Suter 5 (Nieuwendyk, Makarov), pp, 6:31. 10, Calgary, MacInnis 9 (Fleury, Nieuwendyk), pp, 18:25.

Penalties-Musil, Cal, 0:24; Suter, Cal, 4:02; Huffman, Phi, 4:54; Suter, Cal, 7:47; Kushner, Phi, 7:47; Horacek, Phi, 8:00; Chychrun, Phi, 13:33; Fleury, Cal, 15:49; Tocchet, Phi, 17:34.

Shots on goal-Calgary 13-16-15-44. Philadelphia 6-8-13-27.

Power-play conversions-Calgary 6-2. Philadelphia 4-1.

Goaltenders-Calgary, Vernon. Philadelphia, Peeters. A-17,312.

Referee-Denis Morel.

St. Louis	0	1	2-3
Pittsburgh	2	0	0-2

First period-1, Pittsburgh, Cullen 7 (Recchi), 5:23. 2, Pittsbugh, K.Stevens 10 (Cullen, Recchi), 16:42.

Penalties-Bourque, Pit, 13:58; Jagr, Pit, 17:50.

Second period-3, St. Louis, MacLean 2 (S.Stevens, Momesso), 8:46.

Penalties-Dirk, StL, 4:44; Featherstone, StL, 12:01; Hull, StL, 12:01; Errey, Pit, 12:01; Tanti, Pit, major (high-sticking), game misconduct, 16:59.

Third period-4, St. Louis, Mongeau 1 (P.Cavallini, Courtnall), pp, 1:51. 5, St. Louis, G.Cavallini 3 (Brown, Hull), pp, 4:31.

Penalties-Errey, Pit, 3:52; Bassen, StL, 6:08; P.Cavallini, StL, 10:51; Barrasso (served by K.Stevens), Pit, 10:51; Brind'Amour, StL, 14:49.

Shots on goal-St. Louis 13-13-12-38. Pittsburgh 11-14-6-31.

Power-play conversions-St. Louis 5-2. Pittsburgh 4-0.

Goaltenders-St. Louis, Joseph. Pittsburgh, Barrasso. A-15,452.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

Vancouver	0	4	1-5
Toronto	1	1	1-3

First period-1, Toronto, Reid 4 (unassisted), sh, 19:18.

Penalties-Sandlak, Van, 2:21; Maguire, Tor, 11:17; Plavsic, Van, 13:53; Kurvers, Tor, 18:40.

Second period-2, Vancouver, Plavsic 1 (Bozek, Bradley), 1:37. 3, Vancouver, Linden 9 (Skriko, Nedved), pp, 5:42. 4, Vancouver, Bozek 6 (Lumme), 13:38. 5, Toronto, Reid 5 (Olczyk, Ramage), sh, 15:31. 6, Vancouver, Bradley 6 (Lumme, McBain), 16:05.

Penalties-Plavsic, Van, 4:06; Sandlak, Van, 4:06; Iafrate, Tor, 4:06; Maguire, Tor, 4:06; McIntyre, Tor, major (fighting)-game misconduct, 4:06; Nordmark, Van, 6:38; Butcher, Van, 14:38; Marois, Tor, double-minor, 14:38; Lidster, Van 16:38; Bradley, Van, 19:45; Leeman, Tor, 19:45.

Third period-7, Toronto, Damphousse 7 (unassisted), 3:44. 8, Toronto, 9, Vancouver, Valk 1 (Butcher, Korn), 8:16.

Penalties-Agnew, Van, minor-major (fighting), 2:06; Maguire, Tor, minor-major (fighting), 2:06; Quinn, Van, 4:27; Agnew, Van, minor-major (fighting)-game-misconduct, 11:50; Maguire, Tor, major (fighting), 11:50; Pearson, Tor, 18:02.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 11-21-13-45. Toronto 9-12-8-29.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 6-2. Toronto 4-0.

Goaltenders-Vancouver, Gamble. Toronto, Ing. A-15,828.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

Edmonton	1	1	1	--3
Chicago	1	2	2	--5

First period-1, Edmonton, Huddy 2 (Murphy, MacTavish), pp, 5:30. 2, Chicago, Roenick 7 (unassisted) 9:54.

Penalties- S.Smith, Edm, 0:52; Simpson, Edm, 0:52; Hudson, Chi, 0:52; Chelios, Chi, 0:52; Manson, Chi, 3:35; Linseman, Edm, 13:58; Lemieux, Chi, 13:58; Roenick, Chi, 15:18; S.Smith, Edm, 18:36.

Second period-3, Chicago, Thomas 2 (Chelios, Konroyd), pp, 0:38. 4, Chicago, Chelios 5 (Larmer, Creighton), pp, 14:31. 5, Edmonton, Simpson 4 (Tikkanen, Anderson), pp, 16:54.

Penalties-Lemieux, Chi, 5:49; Murphy, Edm, 7:56; Lowe, Edm, 12:45; Buchberger, Edm, major (fighting), 15:34; Peluso, Chi, major (fighting), 15:34; Murray, Chi, 15:56; G.Smith, Edm, 15:59; Gilbert, Chi, 15:59; Tikkanen, Edm, 18:22.

Third period-6, Chicago, Hudson 2 (unassisted), 9:38. 7, Edmonton, Haas 1 (G.Smith), 10:59. 8, Chicago, Presley 5 (Hudson, Thomas), 17:15.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Edmonton 8-8-8-24. Chicago 9- 9-8-26.

Power-play conversions-Edmonton 4-2. Chicago 4-1.

Goalies-Edmonton, Ranford. Chicago, Belfour. A-17,779.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

Detroit	0	0	1-1
Los Angeles	2	1	2-5

First period-1, Los Angeles, Miller 2 (Krushelnyski, McSorley), 15:48. 2, Los Angeles, Elik 2 (Robitaille), 18:26.

Penalties-Granato, LA, double minor, 8:12; Norwood, Det, 16:18.

Second period-3, Los Angeles, Gretzky 11 (Sandstrom, Duchesne), 2:54.

Penalties-McKay, Det, major (fighting), 2:30; McSorley, LA, major (fighting), 2:30; Sandstrom, LA, 4:05; Buskas, LA, 6:46; Norwood, Det, 11:21; Duchesne, LA 14:46; McKay, Det, 19:29.

Third period-4, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 9 (Granato, Gretzky), 5:32. 5, Los Angeles, Duchesne 3 (Robitaille, Elik), pp, 10:00. 6, Detroit, Yzerman 10 (Gallant, Chiasson), pp, 18:16.

Penalties-Gallant, Det, double minor, 9:17; Granato, LA, 9:17; Taylor, LA, major (spearing)-game misconduct, 13:57; Kocur, Det, 15:20; Buskas, LA, 16:06.

Shots on goal-Detroit 5-13-11-29. Los Angeles 13-12-12-37.

Power-play conversions-Detroit 8-1. Los Angeles 4-1.

Goaltenders-Detroit, Chevaldae, Chevrier (6:54 3rd period). Los Angeles, Hrudey. A- 16,005.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (NOV. 9) UPI - A high-level Vatican delegation has arrived

in Vietnam for a weeklong visit seen as a sign of improved relations between the communist government and the Catholic Church, the Vietnam News Agency said.

The agency, in a report dated Thursday, said the delegation arrived Wednesday headed by Cardinal Roger Etchegaray, a representative of Pope John Paul II and president of the Pontifical Commission for Justice and Peace.

It said the delegation was met by government officials from the Government Commission for Religious Affairs and the Protocol Department of the Foreign Ministry.

The Vatican delegation later held talks with officials of the commission and met local Catholic Church officials.

''This morning, the Vatican delegation paid tribute to President Ho Chi Minh at his mausoleum,'' the report said.

The arrival of the delegation caps a year of generally improving relations between the communist government and the country's 4 million to 5 million Catholics.

The government has eased some travel restrictions and allowed greater activity by Catholic officials, but some priests are still under detention.

The government has charged that some church officials have carried out ''anti-socialist propaganda'' to undermine the communist system.

Last year the church and the government clashed over the canonization of 117 Catholic ''martyrs'' killed in Vietnam.

The government said some of those had been executed for their attempts to colonize the country for the French rather than for their religious beliefs.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Federal bank regulators will file claims reaching into the billions of dollars against Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., for losses incurred by failed thrifts that invested in junk bonds, a published report said Friday.

The claims could reach as high as $10 billion for substantial losses the agencies report were incurred by a number of the nation's largest savings and loan institutions that had invested in high-yield junk bonds, The New York Times reported.

A number of claims would be filed as part of the bankruptcy proceeding of Drexel and a number of its related companies, the Times said. Former employees

also could be named in the suits.

The firm, which grew into a Wall Street powerhouse in the 1980s through the efforts of its junk bond division, headed by Michael Milken, filed for protection from its creditors earlier this year.

A Drexel spokesman would not comment on any possible claim, saying the firm would wait until one is filed, The Times said.

In the plan now under consideration, claims would be heard by U.S. District Judge Milton Pollack, who has presided over the civil case against Drexel since it was filed.

The claims are to be filed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., which insures deposits in the country's savings institutions, and the Resolution Trust Corp., which oversees the savings and loan associations that invested heavily in junk bonds in the 1980s. The collapse of these risky investments is said to account for a large segment of losses in the huge savings collapse, the paper said.

In a filing with the bankruptcy court, lawyers for the FDIC and the RTC said the agencies expect to make ''substantial claims'' against Drexel by Thursday, the deadline for filing all claims, the paper said.

Other claims, against employees and related entities, are expected to be filed in other proceedings.

The action takes place as a number of investors, former clients and government agencies are seeking billions of dollars for what they say was fraud by Drexel and are negotiating with the firm to determing the legal actions to determine how much money they would receive.

The investors and others with claims say they were damaged by stock manipulation, insider trading and other illegal acts by the firm.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - President Bush said he will bolster the U.S. presence in the Persian Gulf by an additional 100,000 troops and the Soviet Union toughened its stance against Iraq with Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnaze conceding military force may be necessary to liberate Kuwait.

The U.S. build-up would include the deployment of an additional corps of tank units, doubling to six the number of aircraft carriers and doubling the number of Marines for possible amphibious attacks.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said Thursday the fresh troops would be in place

sometime after Jan. 1.

It has taken about three months to get more than 230,000 U.S. personnel into Saudi Arabia and in the waters and countries surrounding Iraq. That's the number Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, head of U.S. operations in the region, has said makes him confident he can defend Saudi Arabia against Saddam Hussein's forces.

The U.S. forces and some 200,000 allied troops, including Saudis, Syrians, Egyptians and others, are facing more than 400,000 Iraqi troops.

On Thursday Saddam fired his army chief of staff and replaced him with an Iran-Iraq war hero, bringing to three the number of senior Iraqi officials dismissed since Iraq invaded Kuwait three months ago, an official Iraqi daily reported.

Saddam said he would release more than 240 Polish citizens and 50 more West Europeans held in Iraq and Kuwait. Saddam has set hundreds of foreign hostages free in the past few days in what some diplomats say is an effort to fracture the multinational alliance against him.

In Tokyo, political leaders began discussions Friday on a plan to send Japanese volunteers to the gulf after giving up on a proposal to dispatch Japanese troops.

The mood in the gulf region has turned to thoughts and preparations for war after a whirlwind visit by Secretary of State James Baker, who told Arab leaders the United States was not ruling out a military strike to force Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Baker met Thursday in Moscow with Shevardnadze, who told reporters it was ''probably impossible to exclude'' the use of military force in the gulf.

''A situation could arise that indeed demands such a decision,'' Shevardnadze said. ''But I think all decisions should be made within the framework of the (U.N.) Security Council.''

Egyptian President Hosni Mubrarak said in an interview that war was inevitable if Saddam did not withdraw his troops from the emirate and that he and the United States were ''not bluffing.''

Kuwait's exiled defense minister said Iraq is in possession of 650 U.S.-made Hawk ground-to-air missiles. And a gulf Arab government official quoted his country's intelligence reports as saying Iraqi scientists were believed to have developed a more powerful strain of the bacteria Bacillus Anthracis, which causes anthrax and highly fatal pneumonia and skin diseases.

A U.N.-affiliated international aid group has even begun stockpiling food on

Cyprus to feed refugees in case the standoff turns into a fight, the Athens News Agency reported. The World Food Program in Rome sent 8, 000 tons of rice, flour and cooking oil to the Mediterranean island for storage.

Bush said the new troop deployment to the gulf region - where an estimated 230,000 American soldiers have already been dispatched in Operation Desert Shield - is needed to ''guarantee adequate an offensive military option should this become necessary.''

In Baghdad, Al Qadissiya, the mouthpiece of the Iraqi Defense Ministry, gave no reason for the ouster of Iraqi army chief of staff Lt. Gen. Nizar al Kazarji, saying only that he would be replaced by Hussein Rashid, a hero of the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war.

Western diplomats in the region said the reason for the army chief of staff's dismissal was not immediately clear, but that it may indicate trouble in Saddam's inner circle.

''It appears that Saddam is facing opposition to his policy in Kuwait ... after all, any chief of staff must realize that for Iraq to continue standing up to the multinational force in the gulf is suicidal,'' said one envoy, who asked not to be identified.

Two other high level aides to Saddam have left since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu announced Thursday he was abandoning his proposal to send non-combat troops to assist U.S.-led forces in the gulf because he could not win the support of a majority in the Diet, or parliament.

But leaders of Kaifu's Liberal Democratic Party and two smaller parties, which together represent a majority, agreed Friday to support an alternative bill which would create a volunteer corps to give non- military support.

Japan's Self Defense Forces will be excluded from any new proposal to send personnel to the gulf, Chief Cabinet Secretary Misoji Sakamoto said.

The new bill will be presented to the Diet in late January or early February, according to government sources quoted by the Kyodo news agency.

In Hong Kong, evangelist Billy Graham called on people around the globe Friday to pray that God will intervene in the Persian Gulf crisis and lead the troubled region to peace.

''There are spiritual forces at work there,'' said Graham, who is in the British crown colony to start a satellite television crusade expected to reach more than 100 million people throughout largely Buddhist Asia. ''I can't answer what they are, but they are at work and it is not going to be a usual

type of situation. It's going to be something we have not seen in our century before.''

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#90313u0274 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - Wet weather stretched from central Texas through the Midwest Friday, dousing several areas with more than an inch of rain, while high winds buffeted Washington.

Flash flood watches were in effect for parts of north Texas as rain and thunderstorms also hit Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas and Oklahoma and continued moving northeast at 40 mph.

Most areas received about an inch of rain, but in northeast Texas, Longview received 4.1 inches, Kilgore was doused by 3 inches and Gladewater was soaked by 3 1/2 inches.

A band of strong thunderstorms carrying lightning, gusty winds and very heavy rainfall covered an area from west of Baton Rouge, La., to east of Morgan City.

The rain reached up into Missouri, and met temperatures near the freezing mark producing freezing rain. Ice was reported on metal surfaces in Fulton and drivers were warned to be aware of patchy fog and slick roads.

In the Northwest, high winds caused by a strong jet stream swept across most of Washington state Friday with gusts up to 38 mph reported in Hanford.

A flood watch was in effect for the Skagit and Nooksack rivers as heavy rain fell in the North Cascades and Olympic mountains with wet snow about 5,500 feet. Runoff was expected to flood the rivers during the day.

A gale warning was in effect for the waters off the coast of Washington, D.C.

Clear and cool weather covered much of the Northeast with lows in the 30s in New York City, and in the 20s to the north and west, while winds reaching 25 mph whipped through Hartford, Conn.

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#90313u0287 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (NOV. 9) UPI - China sharply criticized Taiwan Friday for its re-establishment of diplomatic relations with Nicaragua, accusing Taipei of employing checkbook diplomacy and ''foul means'' to win official recognition from foreign countries.

The broadside came in the first formal statement from the Chinese Foreign Ministry on the announcement Tuesday that Taiwan and Nicaragua had resumed

formal ties after a five-year break during the leftist rule of the now-ousted Sandinista government in Managua.

The statement, carried by the official Xinhua news agency, quoted an unidentified Foreign Ministry spokesman as confirming that China has suspended relations with Nicaragua in protest of the move.

''We are resolutely opposed to the establishment of official relations and exchanges of an official nature with Taiwan by those countries having diplomatic relations with China,'' the ministry spokesman said.

''In recent years, the Taiwan authorities have, in disregard of the overall interests of the Chinese nation, pursued the so-called elastic diplomacy by buying over or using other foul means and induced individual countries to establish or restore diplomatic relations,'' the spokesman said.

The spokesman also called on Nicaragua to ''correct its erroneous decision.''

China views Taiwan as a renegade province. The island has been ruled by the Nationalist Chinese since they fled the mainland ahead of the 1949 communist revolution. Neither Beijing nor Taipei accepts dual recognition from other countries.

Wealthy Taiwan has succeeded in using the lure of loans from its huge foreign exchange reserves to win a switch in recognition from some half a dozen impoverished African and Latin American nations during the past two years.

China, however, also has scored some diplomatic successes, winning recognition from Saudi Arabia and other Persian Gulf states, as well as from Indonesia and Singapore this year.

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#90313u0295 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (NOV. 9) UPI - Police prevented Moslems from the West Bank and Gaza Strip from entering Jerusalem for Friday prayers as Palestinians observed a general strike to mark the start of the 36th month of the uprising against Israeli occupation.

Police pressed forward with their investigation into anti-Arab reprisals that followed the assassination of right-wing Rabbi Meir Kahane in New York.

Three members of the extremist Kach party founded by Kahane were questioned Friday about the apparent revenge killing of two elderly West Bank villagers hours after Kahane was shot, Israel Radio reported.

Dozens of Kach activists have been called in for questioning in recent days, but Kach party leaders instructed members not to cooperate with investigators.

At least 20 people have been arrested since Kahane's funeral Wednesday during which mobs attacked Arabs, police and journalists.

In the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip Friday, shops were closed and many Arab workers stayed home in observance of a general strike held the ninth of each month to mark the start of the Palestinian uprising Dec. 9, 1987.

To prevent disturbances, Police stopped West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians from entering Jerusalem to attend Friday prayers at the Al Aqsa Mosque on the Temple Mount. Increased police forces were deployed in the walled Old City and Temple Mount area.

Authorities said rioting and incitement by Palestinian activists or Israeli right-wing extremists would not be tolerated.

About 4,000 worshippers attended services that ended without serious incident.

In the Gaza Strip, more than 165,000 Palestinians were confined to their homes by curfew in four refugee camps.

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#90313u0300 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (NOV. 9) UPI - Georgia has been selected for a national pilot program to encourage public school teachers to teach about the role of religion in the development of the United States.

Sponsored by the non-profit First Liberty Institute, the program is intended to correct a glaring absence of religion from most textbooks and course syllabuses.

''It's not expousing any religion,'' said state Superintendent Werner Rogers. ''It's really a recognition of the fact that religion has played a very important role in the development of our nation and continues to today ... How can you teach American history without teaching that people came here to achieve religious freedom.''

First Liberty, an outgrowth of the commission headed by former Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren Berger to celebrate the bicentennial of the Constitution, views the teacher training program as way to have lasting impact on how schools teach civic values, particularly freedom of religion.

Parents, state school board members and First Liberty officials contend that teachers shy away from discussing religon at all because they fear reprisals for promoting it at school.

Because they are afraid to mention God, some textbooks indicate the first Thanksgiving was a time for the Pilgrims to thank the Indians for corn, rather

than to thank God for their survival. Many history books also omit any mention of black churches' role in the civil rights movement.

Charles Haynes, president of the National Council on Religion and Public Education, said teacher fear about discussing religion is denying U.S. students a proper understanding of American history.

Haynes said students need to learn that freedom of conscience is an essential and inalienable American right.

First Liberty selected Georgia for the national pilot program after Rogers expressed interest two years ago. The state Board of Education agreed to the plan Thursday on an 8-1 vote.

Board member Juanita Baranco cast the lone dissenting vote, saying teaching about religion and religious liberty is a ''highly sensitive'' move that should be executed with ''absolute caution.''

Participation in the program by the state's 185 school systems will be voluntary.

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#90313u0373 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (NOV. 9) UPI - Vietnam's premier war hero, Gen. Vo Nguyen Giap, boosted by improving relations with China, is favored to be Vietnam's next president in a hotly contested leadership shakeup expected next year, diplomatic sources said Friday.

''Improving relations with China have become a major new factor in Vietnam's internal leadership struggle and Giap is likely to be the first beneficiary,'' said a diplomat who follows Vietnamese affairs.

The diplomat said a struggle is under way within the party to fill the top three leadership posts that are expected to be changed next year.

The struggle is largely behind tightly closed party doors but diplomats say there are indications the main competitors for power are conservative Prime Minister Do Muoi and relatively liberal Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach.

Both agree on the need for continued Communist Party dominance and economic reform but they differ in emphasis.

Muoi stresses internal security and better relations with China while Thach calls for faster moves to a market economy and a faster opening to the West.

There have been rumors before about a comeback by the legendary Giap that never came true. But now the 79-year old former history teacher is seen as the

ideal compromise candidate for president, the least powerful of the three top positions.

One of the first comrades of revolutionary leader Ho Chi Minh, Giap is the legendary defense minister who masterminded the French defeat at Dien Bien Phu and played a major role in the defeat of the U.S.-backed government of South Vietnam.

He fell from favor partly because he opposed Vietnam's 1978 invasion of Cambodia, becoming a virtually powerless deputy prime minister with no major party posts.

The short, silver-haired Giap was given a warm welcome when he visited China in September as representative to the Asian games. That visit followed a secret trip to Beijing by Communist Party leader Nguyen Van Linh and Muoi.

Linh, 75, and President Vo Chi Cong, 77, are expected to retire next year.

Liberals in the party would like Muoi, who will be 74 in February, to retire with them but the tough party disciplinarian, now No. 3 in the party, is pushing to take over as party leader, the diplomats said.

The new party leader will be elected at the 7th Party Congress due in the spring of 1991 but some Vietnamese sources have told diplomats that changes in the government posts - president and prime minister - could come sooner.

The sources said Muoi would like to bring up Pham Van Khai, the 56- year-old director of State Planning, as prime minister, while others in the party would like to see Thach, 68, head the government if he cannot move up to the party leadership.

Thach, now No. 6 in the party politbureau, does not have as much following within the party bureaucracy as Muoi.

His hand, however, has been strengthened by successful visits last month to Washington and Tokyo - major successes in breaking some of the international isolation that has hampered Vietnam since the end of the Vietnam War.

But, one diplomat said, Thach suffers from the opposition of the Chinese. The diplomat said Chinese officials in Hanoi have spoken openly about what they called Thach's ''long list of sins against China'' - largely his defense of the Vietnamese invasion of Cambodia.

''Now that the Soviet Union is weakening, Vietnam must pay more attention to China's opinions,'' said a Bangkok-based analyst.

#90313u0423 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 9) UPI - Soviet leader Gorbachev is scheduled to arrive in Germany today on a two-day visit and talks with Chancellor Helmut Kohl. The talks are expected to focus largely on economic issues, including Gorbachev's ambitious program of economic reform.

The New York Times quotes sources who say that federal savings regulators plan to file claims expected to reach in the BILLIONS of dollars against Drexel Burnham Lambert to recover losses from ''junk bond'' investments.

The Philippines and the United States today ended their second round of talks on the future of strategic U-S military facilities. Both sides expressed optimism and agreed to meet again next month in Manila.

South Korean authorities today posted 24-hundred police officers on an island to prevent more riots by villagers who are afrad the government plans a nuclear waste storage dump for their neighborhood.

King Birendra of Nepal today proclaimed a historic new constitution that gives in to public pressure and limits the monarch's powers. The government declared a public holiday to celebrate the new constitution.

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#90313u0508 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (NOV. 9) UPI - A 2-year-old boy who unlatched the door of a big rig's sleeper compartment fell to the freeway and was killed, a mishap his father did not notice until he had driven 10 more miles, authorities said Friday.

The boy's father, a Folsom, Calif., resident who requested the Highway Patrol withhold his name, had left the boy in the truck's sleeper berth, but the boy apparently awoke, opened the hatch and fell out, Officer Shirley Gaines said.

The father drove to Santa Fe Springs before he noticed his son missing and requested help.

California Highway Patrol officers re-traced the man's route and found the boy dead of head injuries on the Golden State Freeway near its interchange with the Santa Ana Freeway in the Boyle Heights area about 9 p.m. Thursday, Gaines said.

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#90313u0510 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 9) UPI - Stock prices fell for the fourth consecutive session Friday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange as individual investors sold margin positions ahead of a long weekend.

Banks markets and most major businesses will be closed Monday for the enthronement of Emperor Akihito. Trading will resume Tuesday.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which plummeted 530.44 points Thursday, shed another 38.01 points to 22,931.80.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all listed major shares dropped 14.47 points to 1,707.44.

Declines outpaced advances 725 to 218, while 122 issues remained unchanged.

Trading was slow with turnover estimated at 320 million shares, down from 357 million shares Thursday.

Analysts said the uncertain Persian Gulf situation kept most investors off the trading floor.

Elsewhere, stock prices closed slightly higher on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange after a late round of buying erased day-long losses.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which fell 22.75 points Thursday, added 0.48 point to 2932.92.

Among the narrower indexes, financials added 0.73 points, utilities dropped 58.89, industrials gained 22.50 and propeties rose 24.11 points.

Volume was light as an estimated 744 million shares changed hands, Hong Kong dollars, down from 778.7 million Thursday.

In Singapore, stock prices slumped in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange amid fresh fears of war breaking out in the Middle East.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which lost 12.92 points Thursday, fell 7.06 points to 1,088.49. The All Singapore Index fell 1.30 points to 305.32.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 31.7 million shares, compared with 27.9 million shares Thursday.

In Bangkok, stocks rebounded slightly on the Thailand Stock Exchnage despite fears of war in the Middle East.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which slipped 1.06 points Thursday, rebounded 1.36 points to 662.55.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 1.7 billion Thai shares.

In Australia, a streak of four days of consecutive gains came to an end on the

Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which gained 7.3 points Thursday, fell 13.5 points to 1,328.8. The key index did manage a 37.6-point gain for the week.

The All Industrials Index fell 22.6 points to 1,988.1 and the All Resources Index lost 6.1 points to 817.0.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 109 million shares.

Declines outpaced advances 147 to 91, while 195 stocks remained unchanged.

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#90313u0537 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) UPI - Wholesale prices soared 1.1 percent in October on another huge jump in energy prices as war fears gripped Middle East oil fields the Labor Department said Friday.

Private economists expected an increase of 0.7 percent in the government's closely watched Producer Price Index for the month.

The 1.1 percent jump follows leaps of 1.6 percent in September and 1.3 percent in August in the aftermath of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and the massing of U.S. and other forces in the embattled region.

A spokesman for the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said wholesale prices for finished goods have increased 7 percent, adjusted for seasonal factors, since the beginning of the year.

''Large advances in indexes for energy goods accounted for most of the October rises at all three major stages of processing,'' the Labor Department said. ''Also, prices for food items turned up broadly after September decreases.''

By category, wholesale energy prices were up 8 percent in October after rising 13.8 percent in September and 9.5 percent in August.

''Prices for both gasoline and home heating oil continued to rise at a rapid pace, but the change was less than in either of the two previous months,'' the department said. ''The index for natural gas turned down slightly.''

Wholesale food prices increased 0.9 percent in October after dipping 0.9 percent in September and advancing 0.8 percent in August.

''Prices turned up after falling in the previous month for beef and veal, pork eggs, fresh and dried vegetables and pasta,'' the department said.

Not counting energy and food, wholesale prices for other finished goods were

unchanged last month after edging up 0.6 percent in September and 0.3 percent in August, the Labor Department said.

''Before seasonal adjustment, prices increased sharply for both passenger cars and light trucks,'' the department said. ''However, on a seasonally adjusted basis, the passenger car index fell considerably and light trucks inched up marginally.''

Wholesale prices for crude goods, meanwhile, increased a hefty 8.7 percent in October after jumping 4.6 percent in September and 9.3 percent in August.

Wholesale prices for intermediate goods, the step between crude and finished, advanced 1.5 percent last month after jumps of 1.8 percent and 1.3 percent in September and August, respectively.

All the data are adjusted for seasonal factors.

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#90313u0551 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - Soviet President Gorbachev flew to Germany today at the invitation of Chancellor Helmut Kohl to sign a new treaty between the Soviet Union and recently unified Germany. The two nations will also sign a treaty on economic and scientific co-operation. Gorbachev was accompanied by Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, the chief of Soviet military staff, and other senior officials.

One year ago today, East and West Germans were celebrating the removal of the barrier between their two nations. Today's observance of the opening of the Berlin Wall will be a much less festive celebration. There will be an UNveiling of a memorial to the 77 people shot dead while trying to cross the wall to the West and a bronze plaque commemorating the opening of the wall.

Former President Reagan will visit Westminster College in Fulton, Missouri, today to dedicate a monument sculpted by Winston Churchill's granddaughter in observance of the first anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall. A crowd of more than five-thousand people is expected to hear Reagan discuss the post-Cold War era. Reagan will receive an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

Officials in the Philippines say troops carrying out a military operation have killed 95 communist guerrillas in an area where an American was kidnapped three weeks ago. U-S Embassy spokesman David Andresen says there are no new developments in the abduction of Arvy Drown. The Philippine military said Drown is an ex-Marine from California who holds a U-S passport issued in Seattle.

India's president today invited dissident leader Chandra Shekhar to form a new government, elevating Shekhar to the position of prime minister in the world's

largest democracy. Shekhar is to be sworn in tomorrow, three days after the resignation of Prime Minister V-P Singh. His government collapsed after a month of quarreling over the attempted relocation of a Moslem mosque to make room for a Hindu temple.

President Bush yesterday signed a proclamation designating Nicaragua as a participant in the Caribbean Basin Initiative to provide the former Central American enemy with its trade benefits. In a written statement, White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwter said that Nicaragua's participation in the C-B-I benefits will give its businesses duty-free access to the U-S market for a wide range of goods.

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#90313u0576 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE (NOV. 9) UPI - Campaigning ended Friday for unprecedented multi-party elections for the Macedonian Assembly, the first in a series of elections that will decide the political fate of federal Prime Minister Ante Markovic and his pro-reform alliance.

Macedonian law requires a two-day cooling-off period before the republic's 1.27 million eligible voters cast ballots Sunday in a first round of elections for the 120-seat single-chamber legislature.

A second round is set for Nov. 25 for districts in which no candidate wins a majority of first-round votes.

More than 1,140 candidates from 16 political parties and 39 independents were competing in the first elections of their kind in Macedonia since Yugoslavia's southernmost republic was created in 1945 by the victorious communist forces.

Macedonia will be the third of Yugoslavia's six republics to hold multi-party assembly elections this year, spurred by the collapse of strong central communist rule, rising nationalism and the demise of socialism across much of Eastern Europe.

Attention will focus on the Alliance of Reformist Forces, a coalition of progressive parties formed by Markovic in July to fight resistance to his Western-style political and economic program by the leaderships of the major republics of Croatia, Slovenia and Serbia.

Political analysts favor Markovic's alliance and a coalition of Macedonian nationalist groups to reap the largest shares of seats, but no party is expected to win a majority.

Two other major contenders are a party representing the republic's 337,200 minority ethnic Albanians and the ruling communists.

Markovic is regarded as the only politician with a concrete program to transform Yugoslavia into a Western-style democracy and overcome rising nationalist passions that have raised fears that the multi-ethnic nation of 23 million could dissolve in civil war.

The nationalist Croatian and Slovenian administrations and the communist regime of Serbia have been trying to undermine his efforts, fearing Markovic's success will gain him sufficient popular support to implement a new constitution creating a strong federal government.

The federal authorities currently have virtually no power to control the republics.

Analysts said that while the Macedonian contests are the least significant of the series of upcoming elections, the performance of Markovic's coalition could influence its prospects in contests for the assemblies of Bosnia-Hercegovina, Serbia and Montenegro and for the federal Parliament.

''A really poor showing would have serious consequences for Markovic, '' said a Western diplomat. ''A good showing will be significant.''

The elections in Bosnia-Hercegovina are set for Nov. 18, with a second round scheduled for Dec. 2. Serbia and Montenegro are to hold single-round polls on Dec. 9, while no date has been decided for the federal contests.

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Albuquerque sy	61	31	....
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Asheville r	47	40	....
Atlanta r	50	47	....
Baltimore cy	50	45	....
Billings mc	58	43	....
Birmingham r	51	44	.45
Bismarck pc	46	29	....
Boston pc	50	38	....
Brownsville w	69	49	.15
Buffalo mc	50	37	....
Burlington Vt. pc	45	35	....
Charleston S.C. cy	64	55	....
Charlotte r	52	45	....
Chicago r	46	29	....
Cincinnati r	50	34	....
Cleveland r	49	36	....

Columbus Ohio r	50	35	....
Dallas pc	60	40	1.95
Denver pc	63	35	....
Des Moines f	50	31	.33
Detroit r	44	31	....
Duluth snsh	38	18	....
El Paso sy	67	36	....
Evansville r	46	33	.05
Fargo pc	40	24	....
Hartford pc	49	39	....
Honolulu sy	89	74	....
Houston w	59	44	1.48
Indianapolis r	46	30	....
Jackson Miss. r	53	43	1.45
Jacksonville ts	78	63	.03
Kansas City sy	53	33	.45
Las Vegas sy	74	44	....
Little Rock r	51	37	.86
Los Angeles sy	81	55	....
Louisville r	49	37	....
Memphis r	48	40	.44
Miami Beach sh	85	72	....
Milwaukee sn	44	29	.07
Minneapolis pc	44	28	....
Nashville r	47	39	.17
New Orleans ts	70	50	1.54
New York pc	51	45	....
Oklahoma Cty sy	59	37	.51
Omaha sy	47	30	.03
Orlando ts	85	67	....
Philadelphia mc	51	46	....
Phoenix sy	78	52	....
Pittsburgh mc	47	38	....
Portland Me. pc	46	34	....
Portland Ore. cy	60	48	....
Providence pc	50	37	....
Richmond cy	51	47	....
St. Louis r	50	34	.01
Salt Lake City cy	51	36	....
San Antonio w	65	39	1.09
San Diego sy	76	52	....
San Francisco sy	79	52	....
San Juan pc	89	74	.01
Seattle r	58	50	.44
Spokane sh	57	46	....
Tampa pc	86	67	....
Washington cy	51	47	....
Wichita sy	58	36	.26

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cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90313u0681 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
LIMA, PERU (NOV. 9) UPI - A retired National Police general was found shot and killed, apparently by left-wing Shining Path guerrillas, it was reported Friday.

The body of Gen. Segundo Ramos, 55, was found Thursday morning in a vacant lot near Jorge Chaves International Airport with two bullets in his head, a television station reported.

The killing is believed to be the work of Shining Path guerrillas, a Maoist revolutionary group, according to the report.

In other guerrilla violence, police said 30 guerrillas, four members of a police and army patrol and four civilians with the patrol were killed Thursday in a battle in a mountainous jungle region 200 miles northeast of Lima.

Police said the attackers were probably Shining Path guerrillas, who offer protection to and collect taxes from producers of coca leaves, the raw material from which cocaine is manufactured.

The clash took place only 10 miles from Tingo Maria, the center of a coca producing region.

In a separate development, military sources said the army chief of staff, Gen. Juan Fernandez, was removed and not given a new assignment, a step that will force his eventual retirment.

Fernandez was recently criticized in newspapers for faulty administration of

army funds while head of the Third Army in Arrequipa.

The respected news magazine Caretas said in its latest issue that Fernandez had rented army road construction equipment to private businesses but that the rental money was not returned to the army.

On the political front, the Catholic Church Thursday night issued a statement attacking international aid conditions that require family planning.

''We must reject as very unjust the fact that, in international relations, economic aid given to peoples is conditioned to programs of contraception, sterilization, and abortion,'' a statement from Peruvian bishops said Thursday night.

President Alberto Fujimori, who has attacked a ''sector'' of the Roman Catholic Church as ''medieval,'' Wednesday denied that international agencies were requiring Peru to apply a birth control program as a condition for aid.

But the Health Ministry said it has spent more than a $1 million to distribute free condoms and birth control pills in health centers.

The government has not explained the source of financing of the birth control campaign but newspapers speculate that it is the United Nations.

The vast majority of Peru's 22.3 population lives in extreme poverty but the population growth remains high, at 2.5 percent a year, while the average woman gives birth to 5.2 children in her lifetime.

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#90313u0699 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 9) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev's popularity rating has slid to 21 percent, leading an influential newspaper to conclude that the Soviet leader could probably not win a direct presidential election.

The Moscow News, a popular weekly that generally backs Gorbachev, also spelled out a bold program it said could bolster his support: take away the Communist Party's property, make deeper cuts in military spending, import more food, tighten controls on the KGB and create a coalition government with opposition forces.

An opinion poll published in the newspaper's current issue shows that only 21 percent of those queried agreed with the statement, ''I fully approve of the actions of Gorbachev.''

''If democratic elections were held today, Gorbachev probably would not be able confirm his right to lead the country,'' Moscow News said.

The poll, conducted last month by the National Institute of Public Opinion, showed that Gorbachev's approval rating is less than half its 52 percent last December and has steadily declined - to 44 percent in January, 39 percent in May, 28 percent in July and 23 percent in August.

The drop of 2 points from August to October, an 8.7 percent decline, was his smallest loss of popularity and suggests that his standing could be leveling off at a core support group of about one-fifth of the country.

''In the spring of 1985, Gorbachev possessed an amount of power that many monarchs could envy,'' Moscow News said. ''In the autumn of 1990, he is unable to cope with governing the country, which is out of control.''

The newspaper blamed both Gorbachev and his critics for the president's decline in stature.

''The philistine was taken from his warm bed of the stagnation period (under Leonid Brezhnev) and he will not forgive Gorbachev for the drafts of democracy '' it said.

At the same time, Moscow News said, Gorbachev has been slow to embrace new reforms and has gotten bogged down in personal conflicts with Russian Federation leader Boris Yeltsin, Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis and others trying to buck Moscow's control.

The newspaper, noting Gorbachev's popularity in the West, suggested that Gobachev should use his ''international card'' to get more goods from abroad.

''But it is important that the food deliveries reach the common people and be connected with his name,'' it said.

Domestically, Moscow News said, Gorbachev should confront the Communist Party's vast property holdings and side with the people who, ''angry over inflation, unemployment and high prices, will not reconcile themselves to the luxury of party committees.''

If he takes these steps and challenges the military and the KGB secret police, it said, Gorbachev ''will be able to rely on enterprising and energetic people who will need the president because they will need stability'' as the country moves toward a market economy.

''The last source of power is trust, but it is quickly fading'' for Gorbachev, the newspaper warned.

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#90313u0758 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

PEKIN, IL (NOV. 9) UPI - Ten male employees of Sears Roebuck and Co. have

filed a $20 million lawsuit against the retail giant and one of its managers, accusing the supervisor of videotaping the workers while they used the bathroom.

The suit, filed Thursday in Tazewell County Circuit Court, alleges the manager of the Sears store at the Pekin Mall placed the camera in the men's toilet in the automotive department, where he filmed employees from the automotive and receiving departments who used that restroom.

Sears and the store's manager, Peter Fauble of Pekin, were named in the lawsuit.

''The intrusion ... would be highly offensive to a reasonable person, '' the lawsuit said. The plaintiffs have said their privacy was invaded and they suffered humiliation and embarrassment as a result of the filming.

They said they also were filmed without their consent but the suit does not suggest why the filming took place.

The suit, which seeks $20 million in compensatory and punitive damages from Fauble and Sears, said Fauble installed the camera in the men's rest room and ''monitored the most intimate and private activities of the plaintiffs by use of the camera.''

A Sears spokesman would not comment on the 40-count suit but the company would confirm that Fauble no longer worked at the Sears store in Pekin.

The attorneys for the plaintiffs would not comment on the suit.

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#90313u0762 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - Shortly after the first of the year, the United States will be sending as many as 100-thousand more troops to the Persian Gulf region. The mood in the gulf region has turned to thoughts and preparations for war after a visit by Secretary of State Baker, who told Arab leaders the United States is NOT ruling out a military strike to force Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev arrived in Bonn, Germany, today, exactly one year after the Berlin Wall fell with help from the Soviet leader's policy of reform. While Gorbachev and Chancellor Helmut Kohl will be meeting in Bonn, Berliners will be marking the first annniversary of the fall of the infamous wall.

Police say the Egyptian-born boiler repairman accused of assassinating right-wing Rabbi Meir Kahane was suffering from depression over a dead-end career and may have been taking drugs prescribed by a psychiatrist. Police describe the man as well-educated, with a degree in engineering and apparently

upset with his blue-collar job.

Police in New York say a young man who was arrested for allegedly robbing the wife of a transit police surgeon may be a suspect in the Halloween rampage on Wards Island that left one homeless man dead and nine others injured. A grand jury may charge 18-year-old Leon Robinson in the violent spree when it convenes this morning.

A published report today says federal bank regulators will file BILLIONS of dollars worth of claims against the ''junk bond'' firm of Drexel Burnham Lambert. The claims reportedly will be filed for losses incurred by failed thrifts that invested in junk bonds.

China criticized Taiwan today for its re-establishment of diplomatic relations with Nicaragua. A statement quoted an unidentified Foreign Ministry spokesman as confirming that China has suspended relations with Nicaragua in protest of the move. China accuses Taiwan of employing checkbook diplomacy and ''foul means'' to win official recognition from foreign countries.

It looks like wedding bells will be ringing for Ted Turner and Jane Fonda. A report today says the celebrity couple will announce their engagmenet in December. Sources report that Turner recently bought Fonda an engagement ring at Tiffany's in Los Angeles. The ring is described as an opal flanked by two diamonds. Fonda's publicist told reporters the wedding probably will take place next summer.

As many as 30-thousand cheering fans showed up at Boston's City Hall Plaza yesterday to greet the stars of T-V's long-running hit show ''Cheers.'' Thousands more lined city streets as members of the cast rode to City Hall in a motorcade. The 200th episode of the comedy aired last night ... and cast members were in Boston to celebrate. The show is set in a Boston bar.

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#90313u0776 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(fixing purchases)

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Nov. 8: Purchases of 380, 724 shares and sales of 467,504 shares including 21,933 shares sold short.

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#90313u0778 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) UPI - Wholesale prices soared 1.1 percent in October on another huge jump in energy prices as war fears gripped Middle East oil fields the Labor Department said Friday.

Private economists expected an increase of 0.7 percent in the government's closely watched Producer Price Index for the month.

''The bulk of the increase was definitely energy,'' said Michael Niemira, an economist at Mitsubishi Bank in New York. ''Consumers have been paying higher prices for several months now.

''That's likely to continue for the forseeable future until things settle down in the Middle East - if they settle down,'' Niemira said.

The 1.1 percent jump follows leaps of 1.6 percent in September and 1.3 percent in August in the aftermath of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and the massing of U.S. and other forces in the embattled region.

A spokesman for the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said wholesale prices for finished goods have increased 7 percent, adjusted for seasonal factors, since the beginning of the year.

''Large advances in indexes for energy goods accounted for most of the October rises at all three major stages of processing,'' the Labor Department said. ''Also, prices for food items turned up broadly after September decreases.''

By category, wholesale energy prices were up 8 percent in October after rising 13.8 percent in September and 9.5 percent in August.

''Prices for both gasoline and home heating oil continued to rise at a rapid pace, but the change was less than in either of the two previous months,'' the department said. ''The index for natural gas turned down slightly.''

Wholesale food prices increased 0.9 percent in October after dipping 0.9 percent in September and advancing 0.8 percent in August.

''Prices turned up after falling in the previous month for beef and veal, pork eggs, fresh and dried vegetables and pasta,'' the department said.

Not counting energy and food, wholesale prices for other finished goods were unchanged last month after edging up 0.6 percent in September and 0.3 percent in August, the Labor Department said.

''Before seasonal adjustment, prices increased sharply for both passenger cars and light trucks,'' the department said. ''However, on a seasonally adjusted basis, the passenger car index fell considerably and light trucks inched up marginally.''

Wholesale prices for crude goods, meanwhile, increased a hefty 8.7 percent in October after jumping 4.6 percent in September and 9.3 percent in August.

Wholesale prices for intermediate goods, the step between crude and finished, advanced 1.5 percent last month after jumps of 1.8 percent and 1.3 percent in September and August, respectively.

All the data are adjusted for seasonal factors.

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#90313u0779 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

TYRE, LEBANON (NOV. 9) UPI - A firefight broke out Friday between rival Palestinian factions in a refugee camp in southern Lebanon, killing one gunman and wounding two others, security sources said.

The sources said gunmen in a speedy car attacked the house of a member of the breakaway Fatah Revolutionary Council-Emergency Leadership (FRC-EL) in the refugee camp of Rashidyeh at the outskirts of the port city of Tyre, 46 miles south of Beirut.

The dissident returned fire and killed one of the assailants and wounded two others who managed to escape in their car, they said.

The sources said the firefight was part of ''settling old business'' between the rival factions of the Fatah Revolutionary Council headed by Sabri Al Banna better known as Abu Nidal.

Last June, FRC rebels routed Abu Nidal's followers from the Rashidyeh camp after an attack on the group's headquarters.

The FRC-EL leader, identified by his nom de guerre Sufian, said his faction wanted ''to correct the course of the old ones'' and abide by the policy of Yasser Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organization.

This was the major confrontation to control Abu Nidal's group founded in 1973 after breaking away from Arafat's mainstream Al Fatah movement

Abu Nidal, who tops the West's most wanted list for terrorist operations spanning a decade and a half, has bases in Moslem west Beirut, eastern and northern Lebanon, three regions patrolled by Syrian troops.

Syrian Government leaders say their country maintains no relationship with members of Abu Nidal's faction, having forced them to relocate out of Syria two years ago.

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#90313u0784 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

RUSTENBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 9) UPI - The largest gathering of church leaders in 30 years ended in disagreement Friday when the white wing of the

Dutch Reformed Church rejected a final communique that carried political recommendations.

During the final moments of debate by about 330 delegates representing 80 denominations, members of the Nederduitse Gereformeerde Kerk unilaterally issued a statement saying they could not accept raising political issues.

The final communique called for a transitional government pending the implementation of a post-apartheid constitution, the immediate release of all political prisoners and an end to discriminatory laws, including the Land Act restricting black ownership of most South African land.

The NGK delegation said it accepted the bulk of the communique issued at the end of the five-day meeting in the northwestern town of Rustenburg but that political views of the other churches were unacceptable.

The developement followed the confession of guilt for apartheid earlier this week by a delegate of the NGK, the wing of the church representing the Dutch-descended Afrikaner that until recently had given a biblical underpinning to apartheid.

The confession and subsequent comments from NGK delegates had suggested rapproachment with the black and mixed-race wings of the Dutch Reformed Church was within reach, but Friday's action appeared to unravel much of what had been put togther.

Delegate Beyers Naude called it a ''shocking and horrifying development'' while Sam Buti, moderator of the black NGK in Africa, described Wednesday's confessions as ''cheap talk of reconciliation.''

Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu had a more guarded reaction Friday. He said he still believed the delegates were ''persons of integrity'' and that he hoped the lack of endorsement for the communique ''does not indicate any change of heart.''

It was the first time since 1960 that so many church leaders had come together in a bid to forge a common repsonse to the country's political develpments. In the 1960 meeting, delegates drafted a short-lived unity pact in reponse to the police killings in Sharpeville township.

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#90313u0789 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

MASERU, LESOTHO (NOV. 9) UPI - The military ruler of the tiny southern African kingdom of Lesotho announced Friday the election of Prince Mohato Seeisa, the eldest son of deposed King Moshoeshoe II, as the new head of state.

Maj. Gen. Justin Lekhanya confirmed in a statement to the national constituent

Assembly that Seeisa had been elected by Lesotho's 22 principal chiefs and would formally assume his duties on Monday.

He said the Office of the King Order of 1990 would make the 27-year- old lawyer head of state over the mountainous country surrounded entirely by South Africa, but he will have no executive or legislative powers.

Lekhanya announced on Tuesday he had promulgated a law dethroning Moshoeshoe II, who was forced abroad in March after refusing to back the military leader in a power struggle and allegedly plotting against the ruling military council.

Lekhanya, who seized power in a bloodless coup in 1986, said the ousted Moshoeshoe, king since 1960, had ''viblated his oath of office'' and broken laws of Lesotho.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $385.70 silver base of $4.25 and platinum price of $415.00:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$401.60	401.80
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	206.00	206.10
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.80	105.80
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.70	43.70
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	401.60	401.80
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	206.00	206.10
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.30	106.30
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.70	43.70
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	408.00	408.30
China Panda .50 troy oz.	210.20	210.30
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.00	109.10
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.10	47.10
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.10	28.10
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	401.70	402.90
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	205.30	205.40
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.70	103.70
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.60	44.70
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	399.80	400.40
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	206.90	207.20
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.40	106.30
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.20	45.20
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	400.30	400.20
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	205.90	205.80

Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.30	88.30
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.70	45.70
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.30	24.30
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.66	$5.66
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,270	$3,240
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,375	$1,375
Platinum		
Australian Koala	430.00	436.00
Isle of Man Noble	426.00	432.00
Canada Maple Leaf	438.00	444.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90313u0814 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

KATMANDU, NEPAL (NOV. 9) UPI - King Birendra proclaimed a historic new constitution Friday that yields to public pressure and limits the monarch's powers in the Himalayan nation he once ruled with absolute authority.

The 44-year-old king made the announcement from his golden serpent throne in the royal palace in a ceremony broadcast by state-owned Nepal Television and Radio Nepal.

But the celebratory mood was marred by a confrontation between police and some 300 members of the Nepal Communist Party during a torchlight procession through the streets of the capital to condemn the new constitution.

The police wielded bamboo sticks and rifles as they charged the demonstrators, who were wearing black armbands and shouting, ''We don't accept the constitution.''

Several demonstrators were injured, witnesses said.

Security was tightened for Birendra's announcement and one traveler, Rajesh Ghimere, who drove 150 miles from his home in Japakpur, said he was frisked by the military at eight points along the road to the capital.

The government declared Friday a public holiday to celebrate the new constitution in the nation of 19 million people that is making the transition

from an absolute royal power to a constitutional monarchy.

''A bold decision by an absolute king,'' trumpeted a banner headline in the independent weekly newspaper ''Nepali Awaj.''

The agreement followed two months of tough negotiations between the government and the palace over the role of the monarch, forced to give up his absolute authority by a bloody eight-week mass movement that toppled the previous partyless regime.

A multi-party coalition government made up of the Nepali Congress Party and seven communist parties was installed seven months ago to oversee the transition to constitutional monarchy.

Demonstrations opposing the partyless system of government began Feb. 18 and rocked the nation, eventually forcing Birendra to agree to limitations on his authority.

Government figures said 52 people died in the demonstrations and rioting, but opposition sources said the death toll was much higher in the clashes between armed police and troops and protesters.

Birendra, who has ruled for 18 years, at first tried to block the move toward a constitutional monarchy by dismissing the partyless government and promising limited reforms.

The move backfired, however, and some 200,000 people in the capital alone took to the streets April 6 to insist that political parties, banned for 29 years, be allowed to function freely in a constitutional monarchy.

The constitutional promulgation ceremony Friday was followed by a reception for 300 people on the sprawling, flag-bedecked lawns of the royal palace.

The kingdom of Nepal, home of Mount Everest, the world's highest mountain, is sandwiched between Asian giants India and China in the lofty Himalayas.

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#90313u0828 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (NOV. 9) UPI - Unidentified men riding a motorcycle bombed the China Airlines office in the capital Friday night, shattering glass panels, ripping off the ceiling and injuring two people, police said.

The 9:25 p.m. bombing came on the eve of President Corazon Aquino's departure for Tokyo to attend the enthronement of Emperor Akihito on Monday.

Rebel soldiers who have tried seven times to oust Aquino have previously mounted terrorist campaigns whenever the president traveled abroad in a bid to

destabilize her government.

Patrolman Mario Mitra said the injured civilians were walking on the sidewalk when the bomb, tossed by two men on the motorcycle, exploded. The pedestrians sustained slight injuries from broken glass shattered by the impact of the blast, he added.

It was the second explosion to hit the CAL office in three months. Friday's blast shattered a glass door and tore down the ceiling and a signboard, police and witnesses said.

Glass panels of a bank across the street were broken and the windshield of a passing jeep was shattered, but no passengers were injured, Mitra said.

He said the blast was so loud he heard it a police station about three blocks away. ''We knew immediately it was a bomb,'' he said.

It was the first bombing incident in the capital since Oct. 23 when suspected communist rebels bombed the offices of two oil companies on the eve of a general strike called by leftist workers to demand pay raises.

The blast brought to 46 the number of bomb explosions in Manila since Aug. 13. Except for the Oct. 23 bombings, the previous incidents were blamed on rebel soldiers.

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#90313u0837 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (NOV. 9) UPI - Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev started talks with Chancellor Helmut Kohl on Friday, the first day of a largely symbolic two-day visit exactly one year after the collapse of the Berlin Wall.

''I want to reach out my hand to you in the spirit of cooperation,'' Gorbachev told Kohl as the two sat down for talks expected to focus largely on economic issues and potential German financial assistance for Soviet reforms.

The Soviet leader was not expected to make any specific requests for German credits. But the two delegations were due to sign key agreements on economic, social and general cooperation.

''What will happen in two hours,'' Gorbachev said, ''will have great consequences and could only happen because we live in a world that is not only rapidly changing, but also a world that people are trying to make better and more liveable.''

''It has been a difficult history between our people, but it means a future and I hope a good one,'' Kohl said.

''Much of what has happened in Europe in the last 12 months could not have been possible without you,'' he told Gorbachev, whom he congratulated for winning this year's Nobel Peace Prize.

Earlier in the day Gorbachev held talks with President Richard von Weizsaecker and Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher.

On arrival at the presidential residence of Villa Hammerschmidt, Gorbachev and his wife, Raisa, received from Weizsaecker a print by 13th century German artist Albrecht Duerer depicting St. Michael slaying a dragon - meant to symbolize the enourmous task Gorbachev faces in his reform program.

The meeting between Kohl and Gorbachev is the first since July talks in the Soviet Union that cleared the way for Oct. 3 German unification.

While the two leaders met in Bonn Friday, Berliners marked the first anniversary of the opening of the Berlin Wall.

The event marked the culmination of what became known as ''the peaceful revolution'' - a massive pro-democracy protest that brought down East Germany's Stalinist leadership.

Gorbachev added his voice to those of the protesters, when he told the hardline Communist East German leadership during a Oct. 7, 1989, visit to East Berlin that ''life punishes those who come too late''.

Officials in Bonn indicated that Kohl and Gorbachev may also discuss an acceleration of the withdrawal of Soviet troops from the territory that until unification formed East Germany.

The Soviet Union had agreed earlier that the 380,000 troops would leave within four years.

Gorbachev was accompanied by Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, Prime Minister Stepan Sitarjan and Armed Forces Chief of Staff Mikhail Moissejev.

Later in the afternoon, the German and Soviet delegations were due to sign the treaty on economic cooperation and a 20-year friendship treaty designed to normalize political and social relations between the two states.

Economics Minister Helmut Haussmann said earlier that Gorbachev, who needs to stock up on hard currency to help the ailing Soviet economy, will discuss with Kohl the sale of natural gas and crude oil to Germany.

Kohl is likely to ask Gorbachev details of a proposed economic commission made up of officials of the central Soviet government and of the various republics, sources said.

In return for economic cooperation, sources said Kohl plans to ask Gorbachev to improve conditions for the 2.5 million ethnic Germans living in the Soviet Union to avoid a mass exodus to Germany.

''Kohl knows that small presents weaken the wish to emigrate,'' a government source said.

Since German unification, thousands of ethnic Germans have applied for immigration to Germany.

Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiescki met with Kohl Thursday for talks on a border treaty and Gorbachev is the second head to state to meet with the chancellor since unification.

Observers said that the two high-level meetings in one week demonstrate unified Germany's intention to draw Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union closer to Western Europe and the European Community.

''We want to stabilize relations with the Eastern countries and open up to them and hope other EC states will follow suit,'' a government source said.

After a day of talks in Bonn, Gorbachev will travel with his wife for what is being termed ''a private visit'' to Kohl's central German home of Oggersheim and the nearby city of Speyer, where he is scheduled to visit an almost 1,000-year-old cathedral.

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#90313u0839 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 79.00-81.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 120.00-123.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 40.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $205.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $418.50-$425.00; dealer- approx., $421.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $109.00-$111.83 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 293.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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#90313u0855 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

MILWAUKEE (NOV. 9) UPI - Officials of the Milwaukee Brewers and Green Bay Packers say the future of professional baseball and football in Milwaukee may be in jeopardy because of a decision by the Milwaukee County Board.

The board voted 22-3 Thursday to scrap plans to have the Brewers take control of Milwaukee County Stadium. That is something the club wants to do because it plans to spend $120 million to build a new stadium, with local government picking up millions in costs for new roads and other improvements for the project.

The board acted after the Brewers withdrew their request because of opposition by the board.

But Brewers President Allen ''Bud'' Selig reacted emotionally to the issue at a luncheon Thursday to announce the club's 1991 schedule.

Selig was responsible for bringing the club to Milwaukee in 1970 to return major league baseball to the city after the Braves moved to Atlanta in the mid '60s. And he said problems the franchise is having working out a stadium deal jeopardize its financial future in Milwaukee.

''This ownership ... is the very ownership that fought unbelievable odds stacked against it to return major league baseball to Milwaukee,'' he said. ''Only in buying a team out of bankruptcty court in Seattle (the expansion

Pilots) were we successful seven days before the opening of the season in April of 1970,'' he said.

''Please don't ignore the lessons of history. They are there for everyone to see.''

The Braves moved to Atlanta because they thought they would be better off financially. Selig stopped short of threatening to move the Brewers out of the city, but he has maintained the club needs a new stadium to increase its revenues so it can remain a viable American League franchise.

The Packers also play one exhibition game and three regular season games in Milwaukee, but Packer President Bob Harlan said Thursday if the Brewers would leave the the club might quit playing in Milwaukee.

''If the Brewers leave town, you are talking about a stadium that is going to stay empty most of the year,'' he said in Green Bay. ''For us to go down there and play four dates at a stadium that I don't think would receive any kind of maintenance whatsoever doesn't make much sense.''

The board voted down the deal because turning over stadium operations to the Brewers would leave the county responsible for $970,999 in funds the club now pays.

The Brewers maintain, however, that would be a short-term loss and the club pumps tens of millions of dollars into the local economy by playing games - something that would be lost if the team folds or moves. Packer games also bring in revenue for local businesses such as hotels, bars and restaurants on game days.

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#90313u0863 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - As Germans celebrate the one-year anniversary of the opening of the Berlin Wall today, they will have a visit from a man who was largely responsible for the historic event. Soviet President Gorbachev arrived in Bonn today for two days of talks with German leaders. Gorbachev and Chancellor Helmut Kohl will sign treaties on economic and general co-operation.

Secretary of State Baker left Moscow today after discussing the Gulf crisis with President Gorbachev and Foreign Minister Shevardnadze. Baker headed for London on the sixth leg of his whirlwind tour of the Middle East and Europe to assess support for possible military action against Iraq in response to its invasion of Kuwait.

Israeli troops advanced today outside Israel's self-declared security zone, prompting Lebanese and Palestinian factions to go on full alert. Security sources said an Israeli battalion backed by 40 armored vehicles crossed the

security zone into hills 24 miles south of Beirut. Lebanese resistance forces and Palestinian factions in the southern refugee camps declared the state of full alert among their ranks to confront any possible attack.

Five pople were killed last night in East Texas when a twin-engine plane crashed and burned during a heavy rainstorm. A justice of the peace said the pilot and four passengers were dead at the scene of the crash in a heavily wooded area. He said the plane hit the ground and burned. Three of the five victims were thrown out and two were trapped in the wreckage.

Georgia has been selected for a national pilot program to encourage public school teachers to teach about the role of religion in the development of the United States. The program is sponsored by the First Liberty Institute. Some parents, state school board members and First Liberty officials contend that teachers shy away from discussing religon at all because they fear reprisals for promoting it at school.

C-B-S says correspondent Harry Reasoner will take on a new and less demanding role on the show ''60 Minutes'' after the end of the current television season. At his request, the 67-year-old Reasoner will become editor emeritus and contributing correspondent on ''60 Minutes.'' He and Mike Wallace were the original correspondents for the news magazine when it debuted in 1968.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	48	09
Amsterdam c	1pm	44	06
Ankara r	3pm	43	06
Athens pc	2pm	54	12
Auckland c	12m	57	14
Beijing c	8pm	34	01
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin hz	1pm	40	04
Bonn c	1pm	47	08
Brussels c	1pm	49	09
Cairo pc	2pm	77	25
Casablanca pc	12n	74	23
Copenhagen fy	1pm	39	04
Dakar pc	12n	85	29
Dublin cy	1pm	50	10
Geneva hz	1pm	39	04
Helsinki pc	2pm	40	04
Hong Kong cy	8pm	69	21

Jerusalem r	2pm	59	15
Karachi c	5pm	90	32
Lisbon pc	1pm	62	16
London hz	1pm	46	07
Madrid cy	1pm	58	14
Malta c	1pm	67	19
Manila pc	8pm	82	28
Moscow s	3pm	33	01
Nairobi cy	3pm	73	23
Nassau c	7am	77	25
New Delhi c	6pm	86	30
Nice pc	1pm	62	16
Oslo fy	1pm	31	00
Paris cy	1pm	45	07
Pretoria pc	2pm	83	28
Riyadh	3pm	90	32
Rome c	1pm	49	09
Seoul c	9pm	35	01
Sofia cy	2pm	41	05
Stockholm pc	1pm	46	08
Sydney c	10pm	69	20
Taipei cy	8pm	69	20
Tokyo hz	9pm	61	16
Tunis pc	1pm	65	18
Vienna c	1pm	48	09
Warsaw cy	1pm	41	05

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	69	21
Caracas cy	8am	72	22
Havana pc	7am	77	25
Lima cy	7am	61	16
Mexico City hz	6am	56	13
Rio de Janeiro pc	9am	84	28
Santiago pc	8am	64	17

Canada

Calgary cy		36	02
Edmonton pc		37	02
Montreal c		36	02
Ottawa pc		35	01
Regina pc		41	05
Toronto cy		38	03
Vancouver r		49	09
Winnipeg c		41	05

c-clear
cy-cloudy

d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90313u0870 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (NOV. 9) UPI - Young Czech women anxious to earn hard currency abroad are being sold into white slavery in Yugoslavia, the Czechoslovak press agency CTK reported Friday.

CTK said the women are lured to work in restaurants, nightclubs and hotels in Yugoslav towns, with promises of salaries of about $270, or close to three times the average Czechoslovak wage.

According to the CTK report, Yugoslavian ''entrepreneurs'' working with Czech gangs visit hotels in Czechoslovakia's economically depressed heartlands, luring the young women with promises of fortunes to be made.

The Czechoslovak middlemen also earn up to $270 for each girl they ship to Yugoslavia.

CTK said the Lux Hotel in Banska Bystrica, Central Slovakia, was a major center for recruiting the women. The Hotel manager refused to take repeated phone calls. A hotel receptionist, who grudgingly admitted the practice existed, refused to give details.

Banska Bystrica police could not be reached for comment, and a spokesman for the Federal police in Prague said they were unaware of the traffic.

The traffic apparently began in the wake of Czechoslovakia's ''velvet revolution'' which overthrew communist rule last November. Passports are now available for the asking, and growing fears of economic hard times at home have pushed many Czechoslovaks to venture abroad to earn hard currency.

White traders now act with relative impunity, as the national police force has been weakened by the weeding out of hardline Communists.

The women are kept as virtual slaves for 12 hours or more a day, reported CTK. Their passports and identity papers are confiscated if they try to return home and many end up turning to prostitution to make ends meet.

CTK said the racket came to light after the shooting death of an 18- year old Moravian woman in Vukovar, Croatia, which prompted a Yugoslav television

documentary on the subject.

''Our girls are beautiful, that is known the world over, so they have a lot of clients,'' CTK said.

The report added that Czechoslovakia's side into economic depression and its low standard of living mean Czech girls are ''criminally cheap.''

''Only Russian and Rumanian women are cheaper,'' CTK reported.

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#90313u0873 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

RABAT, MOROCCO (NOV. 9) UPI - French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas arrived in Rabat Friday for talks with King Hassan II aimed at stemming a sharp deterioration in bilateral relations following publication of a book detailing human rights violations in Morocco.

Dumas refused to make any comment before his meeting with King Hassan, saying that ''no one will understand if I made any comment about the state of our relations, the problems of the (Persian) Gulf or the problems of the world.''

The diplomat would say only he was happy to be in Morocco, which he called a friend of France.

Dumas' trip comes one day after French President Francois Mitterrand's wife Danielle met with the wife of a senior official of the Polisario Front to discuss the plight of hundreds of people believed to have disappeared in the Moroccan-controlled Western Sahara.

Mrs. Mitterrand met for nearly an hour with Mrs. Abdel Aziz, wife of the secretary general of the Polisario Front, in the first lady's capacity as a leading light of the French human rights pressure group France-Libertes.

Mrs. Aziz said she wanted ''to show the gratitude of the Saharan people for the solid action of the foundation toward the least fortunate.''

France-Libertes sent trucks carrying food and medicines to Western Saharan refugee camps at Tindouf, Southern Algeria.

Danielle Mitterrand had been scheduled to tour the camps herself earlier this week but she canceled the visit at the last minute, apparently because of deteriorating relations between France and Morocco.

France-Libertes said in a statement that the talks ''focussed on the very difficult conditions of in the Saharan camps with the approach of winter and especially in health, eductaion and nutrition.''

It said it also discussed the plight of the ''disappeared Saharans'' - hundreds of people believed to have vanished in the Western Sahara after being rounded up by Moroccan forces worried about the prospect of a U.N.-brokered referendum on independence for the territory.

Hassan is known to be extremely angry about a new book, ''Our Friend the King'' by journalist Gilles Perrault that details human rights violations in the former French protectorate.

The monarch blames the French government for the publicity the book and its author have received in government-owned media, especially the state-run Antenne 2 network and Radio France International.

Last week Moroccan Prime Minister Azzeddine Lakari denounced in a message to his French counterpart Michel Rocard what he called ''a campaign to denigrate Morocco by the state-owned radio and television netwrors.''

In a dispatch carried by the Moroccan news agency MAP the government in Rabat let it be known that cooperation projects between the two countries could be cancelled.

The government in Rabat was especially angered by Mrs. Mitterrand's plan to fly to southwest Moroccco this week to deliver medicines to refugees of the former Spanish Sahara annexed by Rabat.

The Moroccan Parliament met in close session Thursday to discuss the crisis between Paris and Rabat.

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#90313u0881 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

BERLIN (NOV. 9) UPI - Berliners marked the first anniversary of the collapse of the Berlin Wall Friday with low-key celebrations that stood in sharp contrast to the celebrations of Nov. 9, 1989, when huge crowds streamed across the hated Cold War barrier.

Officials laid the cornerstone of a memorial to the 77 people who were shot while trying to cross the wall since it was erected Aug. 13, 1961. Later Friday, a bronze plaque commemorating the opening of the wall was unveiled.

''The 9th of November teaches us that a people who truly want to be free, can successfully enforce their will,'' said West Berlin Mayor Walter Momper.

Many Germans fondly remember the wild scenes of joy that marked the opening of the wall one year ago. Champagne corks popped and people wept openly in the street in disbelief at the ease with which they were able to cross the border that for 28 years was one of the world's most heavily guarded.

Friday's celebration remained low-key, partly because of the observance of another anniversary - that of the night of Nov. 9, 1938, known as the ''Reichskristallnacht,'' in which Nazis terrorized Jews in a grim dress reheasal for the Holocaust.

''The happiness of Germans over the opening of the wall and the unification process must not lead them to forget the burned out synagogues, plundered Jewish businesses and arrested Jews,'' said Heinz Galinsky, chairman of the Central Council of German Jews, at a memorial service in Berlin.

Friday's wall memorial ceremonies also included a re-reading of the East German Communist Party's declaration of freedom of travel, which set off the storming of the hated edifice one year ago.

In the summer and fall of 1989, the East German communist government headed by hardliner Erich Honecker faced its toughest - and final - test when tens of thousands of East Germans fled to the West in one of the largest migrations since World War II.

Simultaneously, massive pro-democracy rallies spread from the city of Leipzig across the entire country. Honecker was forced to resign on Oct. 18 after 18 years of ruling the country with an iron fist.

In a desparate bid to recapture control of the country, Honecker's successor, Egon Krenz, approved new travel regulations stating that East Germans would be allowed to travel on government permits that would be freely available.

Because of a misunderstanding between Krenz and party press spokesman Guenter Schabowski, history was made that same day.

The travel regulations were supposed to be released by the East German news agency at 4 a.m. Nov. 10, but Schabowski read the rule out loud at a chaotic news conference shortly before 7 p.m., Nov. 9.

Asked when the new regulations would become effective, Schabowski hesitated, but finally said with a puzzled look on his face: ''As far as I know ... right away.''

The biggest party in Berlin's history was on and for millions of television viewers worldwide the images of people literally dancing on the wall, represented a grand finale of the Cold War.

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#90313u0889 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (NOV. 9) UPI - There were no huge crowds and no chants of ''Gorby, Gorby'' to greet the Soviet leader on his arrival in Bonn Friday - a sharp contrast to the jubilation that surrounded his last visit in June 1989.

But outside the official residence of the German president, a small group of hard-core supporters of the Soviet leader stood for hours in the bright sunshine to catch a glimpse of the man who was long considered the most popular politician among Germans.

''I drove 800 miles from my home in Muderbolz to see him,'' said Albert Wolf, a 50-year-old farmer from southern Germany.

''He is a fascinating man, because he is trying to change the whole Soviet system and he was essential in implementing these incredible reforms in Eastern Europe,'' said Wolf, who was carrying a stack of books on disarmament.

Wolf said he regretted not seeing Gorbachev during his last visit to Germany, which was marked by massive jubilation and chants of ''Gorby, Gorby''.

''But I watched it all on television,'' he said. Television provided almost non-stop coverage of Gorbachev's June 1989 visit. On Friday, only the regular news bulletins showed pictures of the Soviet leader's arrival at the presidential residence.

A woman among the 200 people gathered outside the residence said, ''We have to be grateful to Gorbachev, he did a lot for us.''

Gorbachev's insistence that East Germany abandon its hard-line communist policies largely fueled the pro-democracy demonstrations that led to the collapse of the Stalinist leadership and the collapse of the Berlin Wall one year ago Friday.

''I feel sorry for him. I don't think he'll make it,'' said Helga Weiss, 54, referring to the growing difficulties Gorbachev faces in the Soviet Union.

As she spoke, a police helicopter hovered overhead - part of a massive police deployment for the protection of the Soviet leader.

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#90313u0915 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 9) UPI - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher faced a barrage of fresh opposition claims Friday that her leadership mantle has crumbled, citing as proof the crushing defeat of her Conservative Party in two by- elections.

The main opposition Labor Party swept to victory in the northern constituencies of Bradford, where the Conservatives finishd a humiliating third behind the Liberal Democrats, and in Bootle by a firm majority.

''Bradford, brutal and brillant as far as the Labor Party is concerned,'' said Labor leader Neil Kinnock, who considered the results a message to Thatcher to

quit. ''That is the only fair way to describe those results.''

He and other opposition politicians said the voter's verdict, which followed a string of other by-election defeats for the governing party, indicated a base rejection of Thatcher and her 11-year-old administration.

Thatcher must call general elections before mid-1991 and most analysts attribute her 16-point slump in opinion polls to concern about economic stagnation and inflation and rejection of her leadership style.

''I frankly think Mrs. Thatcher has her ears stopped up to prevent her listening to anything because all the messages coming to her are messages she doesn't want to hear,'' said Paddy Ashdown, leader of the Liberal Democrats.

Several junior conservative legislators called for a challenge to Thatcher's leadership following last week's resignation of Deputy Prime Minister Geoffrey Howe in a disagreement over key European Community issues.

Thatcher agreed and Thursday nominated herself for the leadership challenge to be held Nov. 20.

Tony Marlow, a conservative legislator and vocal critic of Thatcher, predicted she will be toppled by conservative legislators.

''I'm almost sure she'll lose the contest,'' he said. ''I think we will have a new prime minister before Christmas.''

But Thatcher's supporters rallied behind her, trying to play down the significance of the election result and declaring that she was under no threat.

''They are protest votes certainly, mid-term votes, they register voter concern and out there we are not very popular at the moment,'' said Conservative Party chairman Kenneth Baker. ''That is what these results indicate.

''I believe the voters' mood will change next year when the benefits of the government's economic policy flow through,'' said Baker. He described Thatcher as ''our greatest asset. She will lead the Conservative Party into the next election and we will win under her leadership.''

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#90313u0921 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (NOV. 9) UPI - New Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif announced his Cabinet Friday, bringing back a number of officials from the regime of late military President Mohammad Zia-ul Haq.

Sharif, who took office on Tuesday after his alliance's defeat of former prime

minister Benazir Bhutto's party in the Oct. 24 elections, announced a 17-member Cabinet and two advisers. Portfolios have yet to be announced.

Ten of the 19 served under Zia, who ruled for 11 years, eight of them as head of a military government, until his death in a mysterious August 1988 plane crash.

Among them was Yaqub Khan, who was expected to retain the post of foreign minister he held under Zia and under Bhutto. Zia's son, Ijaz ul- Haq, a former banker who was elected to the National Assembly for the first time last month, was also included in the list.

Two members of the new Cabinet, Tariq Mehmoud and Islam Nabi, belong to the Mohajir Qaumi Movement, a key ally of Sharif's Islamic Democratic Alliance and which holds 14 seats in the 217-member Assembly. Two more are former members of Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party.

Sharif, 42, is a wealthy self-made industrialist and former protege of Zia, who appointed him chief minister of Pakistan's largest province of Punjab. He has promised to reduce bureaucracy and encourage free enterprise and rapid industrialization.

Sharif's alliance, a disparate army-backed grouping of parties opposed to Bhutto, scored an unexpected and decisive victory in the elections, winning 105 seats to the PPP's 45. Bhutto, now opposition leader, has charged the win was achieved by ''gross rigging.''

President Ghulam Ishaq Khan, a close ally of Zia and his constitutional successor, dismissed Bhutto's 20-month-old government on Aug. 6, accusing it of corruption and nepotism, dissolved the National Assembly and called new elections.

He also set up Special Disqualification Courts to try Bhutto and members of her administration on charges of misuse of power. If found guilty, they could be barred from politics for seven years.

Sharif has said the investigations into alleged corruption would continue.

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#90313u0945 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (NOV. 9) UPI - Chandra Shekhar, the dissident leader who helped bring down the government of Prime Minister V.P. Singh, was invited Friday to form a fresh administration.

Shekhar, 63, was to be sworn in as India's eighth prime minister Saturday morning.

President R. Venkataraman extended the invitation to Shekhar to form a government during a half-hour meeting Friday. He told Shekhar that he must prove his majority in the lower house of Parliament by Nov. 20.

Shekhar already has indicated that he has enough parliamentary support to form the government. Former prime minister Rajiv Gandhi, who Thursday declined a presidential offer to put together a government, said he would back a new administration led by Shekhar.

Shekhar claims to have the support of 280 of the 524 legislators in the lower house of Parliament. He presented a list of the lawmakers to the president during Friday's meeting.

A statement released by the presidential palace said Venkataraman was satisfied that Shekhar had solid enough backing to form a ''viable'' government.

''The president is of the considered opinion that it will not be in the national interest to plunge the country into a general election at this time and that every effort should be made to provide the country with a reasonably stable government,'' the statement said.

When asked by reporters if his government would be stable, Shekhar said, ''I hope so.''

He emerged as the leading contender for the prime ministership on Monday when he and former deputy prime minister Devi Lal split Singh's Janata Dal party into two more or less equal factions.

Singh resigned from office Wednesday night after failing to prove his majority during a special session of Parliament. The resignation brought to an end to his 11-month-old, five-party National Front coalition government.

The president accepted the resignation Thursday, but asked Singh to continue in office until a new administration could be assembled.

''I came to the government on issues and it is on issues I am leaving,'' said Singh in a nationally broadcast television speech.

''If some of my actions angered the people, then that anger is part of the burden I must bear. If some of my actions have pleased you then I feel fulfilled,'' said Singh.

He apparently was referring to a controversial job reservation plan to lowcaste Hindus, which sparked widespread violence, including selfimmolations.

The Singh regime was the first Indian government to be defeated by a Parliament vote.

Singh's political fortunes turned bad Oct. 23 when the Hindu fundamentalist Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) withdrew its crucial support from his coalition government.

The blow came just hours after authorities arrested BJP president L.K. Advani when he failed to heed a government warning to halt a campaign to relocate a Moslem mosque and begin construction of a Hindu temple to honor an important Hindu god.

The government feared the campaign would spark violence between Hindus and Moslems. The BJP pressed ahead with its plan, storming the complex surrounding the mosque in the northern Uttar Pradesh state town of Ayodhya. Clashes between radical Hindus and police in Ayodhya and between members of both religions in six states left more than 200 people dead.

Singh's coalition government ruled with the unusual support of the Communist Party of India (Marxist), its left-wing allies, and the right- wing BJP.

Support of the BJP was necessary for the survival of the coalition, although the party was not a member of the coalition.

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#90313u0972 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Notre Dame (38) (7-1)	828	3
2.	Washington (18) (8-1)	805	5
3.	Colorado (2) (8-1-1)	697	7
4.	Miami (6-2)	621	8
5.	Iowa (7-1)	551	13
6.	Brigham Young (7-1)	497	9
7.	Georgia Tech (7-0-1)	491	14
8.	Tennessee (5-1-2)	419	10
9.	Virginia (7-1)	407	1
10.	Nebraska (8-1)	398	2
11.	Florida State (6-2)	328	11
12.	Texas (6-1)	297	12
13.	Auburn (6-1-1)	177	4
14.	Mississippi (8-1)	176	15
15.	Illinois (6-2)	122	6
16.	Clemson (8-2)	50	17
17.	Michigan (5-3)	35	18
18.	Oregon (7-2)	20	20
19.	Penn State (6-2)	19	21

20. Louisville (8-1-1)	10	22
21. Wyoming (9-1)	5	16
22. Texas A&M (6-2-1)	3	24
23. Fresno State (7-1-1)	2	NR
24. (tie) Ohio State (6-2-1)	1	NR
24. (tie) Arizona (6-3)	1	19

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: None.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances or postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches.

Those schools are Florida, Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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#90313u0979 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA (NOV. 9) UPI - A suspected drug trafficker who was once photographed carrying tennis star Gabriela Sabattini on a motorcycle was reported Friday to have sought sought asylum in the American Embassy in Buenos Aires.

U.S. Embassy spokesman Will Ostick said ''we have no comment'' on the report and consul Barbara Hemingway was reported in a meeting and could not come to the phone.

Radio Mitre said the suspect, Carlos Savignon Belgrano, Friday sought asylum in the American Embassy because he was a double agent, working for the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and therefore subject to retaliation by the drug mob.

Belgrano was photographed in September carrying Sabattini on the back of his motorcycle after she returned in triumph to Buenos Aires after winning the U.S. Open in New York - her first Grand Slam victory.

Prosecutors recognized the photograph and announced they were charging him with smuggling over 1,000 pounds of cocaine into Argentina two years ago in what is called ''Operation Lobster.''

The prosecutors said they had tape recordings of Belgrano talking to the

smugglers.

Sabattini on television said that she didn't know Belgrano very well, describing him as a casual acquaintaince.

Belgrano's lawyer, Martin Gonzalez del Solar, was quoted extensively in the newspaper Clarin Friday as saying in a legal argument that his client was in fact an informant of the Argentine federal police.

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#90313u0981 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Daily News strikers wielding clubs and hammers attacked a truck delivering the newspaper to the Port Authority Bus Terminal on Friday. Six persons, including four police officers, were injured.

Seven men were arrested in one of the most violent outbreaks in the 2-week-old-strike.

Port Authority Police identified the arrested as five security guards hired by the Daily News and two strikers.

''It was a full-scale riot,'' said a Port Authority police officer who asked not to be identified. ''People were jumping the cops. One of the strikers had an ice pick. It took 40 to 50 police about 20 minutes to restore order.''

The violence broke out at at 4:50 a.m. at Eighth Ave. and 41st St. when a News delivery truck pulled up to unload bundles of the tabloid followed by a Daily News car with two security men, said Mildred Schneider, a Port Authority Police spokeswoman.

About 50 demonstrators, identified by Schneider as union strikers, were waiting at the terminal entrance and attacked the driver and the security guards, she said.

''They surrounded the truck and the guards' car and a shouting melee ensued,'' Schneider said. ''Port Authority police were called, but it was difficult to tell who was who and city police had to be called to break up the brawl.''

The Port Authority police officer said two of the security men were wielding steel pipes, adding but it was ''hard to tell who was who without a score card.''

''After a van with 15 more Daily News security guards arrived, there was a lot of punching, kicking, and rolling in the street, and brandishing of pipes, hammers and chucka sticks (two sticks joined by a chain),'' the officer said.

Six persons were injured, Schneider said. Four police officers received minor

injuries and were treated at the scene and two arrested men received more serious injuries and were taken to Bellevue and St. Clare's hospitals.

None of the arrested was immediately identified. Six were charged with inciting riot and criminal possesion of weapons, and the seventh with assaulting a police officer. They were taken to Central Booking for processing and arraignment.

The arrests came little more than 12 hours after George McDonald, president of the Allied Printing Trades Council, denied at a press conference that strikers were involved in any violence.

''Any reports of violence get dumped on us,'' McDonald said. ''There is no concerted effort on the part of the unions for violence, and there has been no violence of any magnitude except for a few sporadic instances.

''You can't blame people for getting excited when outsiders are brought in to take their jobs.''

Nine unions struck the nation's largest circulation tabloid Oct. 26, forcing the news to hire ''replacement'' personnel to continue publication. Negotiations between the union and representatives of the News' corporate parent, the Chicago-based Tribune Co., have continued, with federal mediators also attending, but those talks were described Thursday by union advisor Theodore Kheel as ''merely perfunctory.''

McDonald announced for the first time that striking News workers are ready to make the same contract concessions to the financially strapped newspaper that workers at the New York Post made two months ago to keep their paper alive. This included a four-day work week equivalent to a 20 percent pay cut.

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#90313u0992 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (NOV. 9) UPI - Poland's six presidential candidates Friday abruptly scrapped plans for a nationwide televised debate after failing to agree on the ground rules, campaign officials for Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki said.

Talks on arranging the debate ended after the other candidates refused to accept several conditions proposed by the Mazowiecki campaign.

''There will be no debate with the candidates, although we were very willing and very eager to have one,'' said campaign spokesman Adam Szostkiewicz.

Among them were that the debate be conducted with an independent moderator and journalists, that each candidate be given the same questions and the same amount of time to answer them, and that the debate have a precise, clearly

defined character.

''Otherwise, we would have a free-for-all situation in which all the other candidates would attack Mazowiecki,'' Szostkiewicz said.

''This is a very serious thing,'' he said. ''After all the years of communist rule we would rather avoid political showbiz.''

Solidarity leader Lech Walesa, whose fiery style projects a much more energetic image than the sad-eyed, serious Mazowiecki, has been accused by critics of not sufficiently defining what his own program would be if he wins the election Nov. 25.

In Gdansk, a campaign aide to Walesa said it agreed to a six-way debate but without any limitations.

''We didnt want any middleman or any arranging factors in the debate, '' said Jerzy Kobylinski.

Walesa, who was the first to announce his presidential ambitions, has made as the major theme of his campaign his dissatisfaction with many of the policies of Mazowiecki, his former adviser.

He has called for quickly cleaning out the communist bureaucrats that remain in government and he wants to accelerate the immensely complicated process of returning to private hands property that was nationalized or otherwise seized after the communist takeover.

None of the other candidates draws support of more than 6 percent of the population, according to opinion polls.

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#90313u1003 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA, NEB. (NOV. 9) UPI - Livestock Friday:

Cattle 25; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 1,700; butchers 3.00-3.50 lower, No 1-3 230-260 lb opened 48.50-49.00, closed 48.00- 48.50, No 1-2 210-230 lb closed 47.50-48.00, No 2-3 260-280 lb 47.00-48.00, 280-320 lb 44.00- 46.00; sows 15 percent, under 500 lb 1.50 lower over 500 lb 50-1.00 lower, No 1-3 350-500 lb 43.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 46.00-47.00.

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#90313u1006 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis continued to hold wide powers over the

nation's economy last month. The Labor Department reports that prices on the wholesale side of the ledger advanced by one-point-one percent in October on another huge jump for energy prices. This follows a one- point-six percent jump in September and a one-point-three percent gain in August after Iraq invaded Kuwait.

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A New York report says federal bank regulators will file claims reaching into the BILLIONS of dollars against Drexel Burnham Lambert for losses incurred by failed thrifts that invested in the firm's junk bonds. The claims would be filed as part of the bankruptcy proceedings of Drexel, which has filed for Chapter 11 protection from its creditors. The report says the claims could reach 10-BILLION dollars.

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#90313u1008 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) UPI - The Treasury Department said Friday it will auction $11.75 billion in 52-week bills Thursday to raise $1.975 billion in new cash.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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Cabinet last week probably cost him the election.

A New York report says federal bank regulators will file claims reaching into the BILLIONS of dollars against Drexel Burnham Lambert for losses incurred by failed thrifts that invested in the firm's junk bonds. The claims would be filed as part of the bankruptcy proceedings of Drexel, which has filed for Chapter 11 protection from its creditors. The report says the claims could reach 10-BILLION dollars.

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#90313u1029 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
OSHKOSH, WI (NOV. 9) UPI - The prosecutor in the highly publicized multiple personality rape trial says the case may prove a model for cases involving crime victims with that mental disorder.

Winnebago County District Attorney Joe Paulus made his comments following the conviction Thursday night of Mark Peterson, 29, of Oshkosh, on a charge of second degree sexual assault of a woman claiming to have 46 personalities.

Paulus said the case was the first of its kind in the nation.

''When I first spoke to the victim (months ago), what she wanted more than anything else was to have her day in court and to tell people she was victimized.

''She had that opportunity,'' he said. ''The jury heard it; the whole country heard it.''

Paulus said the case would set a precedent.

''By adding multiple personality disorder as a diagnosis that we will accept and protect, we've extended this guarantee (of justice) to a new class of people who before, were totally misunderstood and often shunned by society.''

It took six and a half hours for the jury of six men and six women to hand down the guilty verdict. Paulus considered that a good sign.

''If it was a short deliberation, there was a good chance he'd be acquitted. The longer they deliberated, the better the chances he'd be found guilty.''

Peterson told reporters he would appeal his conviction and seek a new attorney.

But Paulus said he did not think there was a basis for an appeal.

''From my standpoint, it was a very clean trial. No mistrial issues were raised.''

Paulus said he would examine the pre-sentencing report and consider Peterson's background before making recommendations on a sentence. Peterson has no previous record of sex-related crimes. He could get up to ten years in prison on the second degree sexual assault charge.

Testimony during the trial from defense psychiatrists characterized multiple personality disorder as a ''disease of the month,'' a UFO of which there have been few sightings. Paulus said, ''This is like anything else that's new in society; there's a learning process.''

Jury foreman David Ward, a finance professor at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, said jurors took two ballots before convicting Peterson. The first, he said, was only 8-4 in favor of conviction.

Ward said some jurors believed more than others that the victim had multiple personality disorder.

''I think on the bottom line, we did believe that she did suffer from mental disease, and that the defendant was aware of that.''

Another juror, Cindy Lancaster, Neenah, was skeptical of the woman's claims to have 46 personalities.

''We didn't necessarily agree that she had multiple personality disorder. We knew she was ill.

''Personally, I believe she is a very sick woman. I don't want to say she's faking, but it appears that way.''

In comments after the trial, Peterson maintained that he was the victim in the case. He said he did not think the woman was mentally ill, and did not know about her multiple personalities until after the two had sex.

Sentencing for Peterson is scheduled Dec. 10. He is free on $5,000 signature bond.

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#90313u1064 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

COLUMBUS, OH (NOV. 9) UPI - Mail sorters made an unusual discovery when they looked into a cardboard box that had lost its address label - six live breeder chickens.

The chickens, being mailed to an undetermined destination, were turned over to the Capital Area Humane Society Thursday while U.S. Postal Service authorities try to determine who owns the birds.

Officials said the address label apparently came off while the box and other

parcels were being sorted in Columbus's Main Post Office. No other forwarding or return address was on the container, they said.

Gerry Bain, executive director of the humane society, said the chickens probably will be placed on a farm if the owner cannot be located.

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#90313u1066 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

BLACKSBURG, VA (NOV. 9) UPI - Sheriff's deputies rushed into a home with guns drawn in response to a series of 911 calls but found out they had been summoned by a tomato.

Authorities became interested last weekend when a Montgomery County dispatcher traced repeated emergency calls to the home of Linda and Danny Hurst.

The Hursts were not home, so police figured someone might have broken in. Deputies went in with their guns drawn and found the house empty.

Then Danny Hurst, who had been called to the scene, found an overripe tomato in a hanging basket dripping juice onto a telephone-answering machine below.

As best police can figure it, the juice from the distressed tomato shorted out the machine's dialing system, causing it to call the Sheriff's Department emergency line.

''It just burst,'' said Montgomery County Chief Deputy Milton Graham. ''Then it called us. I guess it needed help ... or needed cleaning up.''

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(NOV. 9) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Airgas Inc (2nd Q 9-30)	
$79,112,000	$72,859,000
$1,545,000 (.24)	$2,159,000 (.32)
Arctco Inc (2nd Q 9-30)	
$69,272,000	$57,355,000
$9,326,000 (.73)	$6,777,000 (.62)
BankAtlantic Financial (3rd Q 9-30)	
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d-$1,586,000	d-$1,188,000

d-Deficit.

Becton Dickinson (4th Q 9-30)
$566,522,000 $499,623,000
$62,302,000 (1.60) $54,481,000 (1.40)

Cellular Commun Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$29,076,000 $19,724,000
d-$1,589,000 $1,948,000 (.05)
d-Deficit.

Comcast Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$165,820,000 $141,083,000
d-$45,138,000 d-$26,496,000
d-Deficit.

Dibrell Brothers (1st Q 9-30)
$161,709,000 $132,017,000
$4,032,321 (.61) $3,640,880 (.55)

Eljer Industries (3rd Q 9-30)
$114,425,000 $114,658,000
$1,304,000 (.18) $2,130,000 (.30)

Garan Inc (4th Q 9-30)
$45,678,000 $36,824,000
$3,201,000 (1.27) $2,038,000 (.81)

George Weston (3rd Q 9-30)
$3,226,700,000 $3,136,200,000
$34,800,000 (.71) $41,600,000 (.84)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Grubb & Ellis (3rd Q 9-30)
$81,550,000 $95,142,000
d-$23,093,000 $1,569,000 (.09)
d-Deficit.

Harper Group (3rd Q 9-30)
$110,464,000 $96,694,000
$4,481,000 (.47) $3,959,000 (.42)

Jannock Ltd (3rd Q 9-30)
$102,829,000 $103,683,000
$6,025,000 (.20) $15,842,000 (.58)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Kerr Glass Mfg Corp (3rd Q 9-30)

$81,339,000 $74,541,000
$745,000 (.15) $25,000 (.05)

Long Island Lighting (3rd Q 9-30)
$707,820,000 $664,169,000
$156,848,000 (1.26) $139,028,000 (1.07)

Moore Medical Corp (3rd Q 9-29)
$79,309,000 $68,541,000
$196,000 (.07) $330,000 (.12)

North Amer Ventures (3rd Q 9-30)
$72,025,000 $77,136,000
$1,014,000 (.04) d-$13,929,000
d-Deficit, primarily due to loss from discontinued operations from the sale of Butler Aviation and Buxton assets.

Walt Disney Co (4th Q 9-30)
$1,712,266,000 $1,345,263,000
$232,662,000 (1.72) $212,704,000 (1.54)

WorldCorp Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$93,331,000 $68,320,000
$3,535,000 (.27) $8,068,000 (.51)

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#90313u1130 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 9) UPI - There are indications today that the Soviet Union is in agreement with the U-S approach to the Persian Gulf crisis. Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said in Moscow that military force may be necessary to compel Iraq to leave Kuwait, but he says the super-powers still prefer a peaceful solution to the Gulf conflict.

President Bush and his top economic advisers are at Camp David in the Maryland mountains outside Washington today, mulling over steps they might take to help the economy. The meeting comes ahead of a new economic forecast due next week. It is expected to show further declines for the economy.

Sears and one of its former managers have been hit by a 20-Million- dollar lawsuit filed by 10 male employees at a Sears location in Pekin, Illinois. The employees claim the supervisor videotaped them while they used the men's room in the store's automotive department.

The popular weekly Moscow News is out with a new public opinion poll that shows President Gorbachev's popularity sliding to 21 percent. The magazine says that if a direct presidential election were held now, Gorbachev probably could NOT get elected.

The poll comes as Gorbachev began a two-day symbolic visit to Germany today, exactly one year after the collapse of the Berlin Wall. As he sat down for talks with German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, Gorbachev said- ''I want to reach out my hand to you in the spirit of co-operation.'' And Kohl told Gorbachev- ''Much of what has happened in Europe in the last 12 months could NOT have been possible without you.''

Today marks the first anniversary of the Berlin Wall's collapse, ending 28 years of division for a city and a country. And little evidence remains, less than three miles of what once was a 90-mile barrier. Parts of the wall have been auctioned off, given to world leaders and exhibited in galleries and homes.

In the Philippines, the Manila government and the United States today ended a second round of talks on the future of strategic U-S military facilities. Spokesmen for the two sides reported progress in the talks and expressed optimism a new agreement will be reached in January. Negotiators agreed to meet again next month in Manila.

Also today, Philippine military officials report that 95 communist guerrillas were killed by government troops in an area where an American was kidnapped three weeks ago. The officials say the clash in a mountainous area 260 miles north of Manila also left four soldiers dead. It's NOT clear if the operation was linked to the kidnapping of Arvy Drown.

Security sources in Lebanon say Israeli troops backed by armored vehicles advanced outside their security zone in southern Lebanon and Palestinian factions went on full alert. Earlier, Israeli artillery bombarded several villages where rival Moslem factions have been fighting since last December.

Israeli police are maintaining tight security in Jerusalem today as they keep Moslems from the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip from entering the city for Friday prayers on the Temple Mount. All of this comes amid a general strike by Palestinians to mark the 36th month of their popular uprising against Israel.

The pilot program of a national project to encourage teachers to discuss the role of religion in the development of the United States will be run in Georgia. The non-profit First Liberty Institute is aiming the program at correcting a glaring absence of any religious discussion in textbooks.

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#90313u1150 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 9) UPI - Stock prices inched higher in lackluster trading Friday on the London International Stock Exchange.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 23.0 points Thursday

added 4.4 points to 2,040.6. The narrower top 30 industrial average gained 7.7 points to 1,582.6.

Volume amounted to around 370 million shares compared with 423 million shares changing hands Thursday.

After gaining nearly 15 points, the FTSE 100 retreated slightly following the U.S. Labor Department report showing wholesale prices soared 1.1 percent in October on another huge jump in energy prices.

Private economists expected an increase of 0.7 percent in the closely watched U.S. Producer Price Index for the month.

The retail sector came under selling pressure following a downgrading by UBS-Phillips & Drew.

The brokerage firm said it was cutting its pretax forecasts for the sector by between 5 percent and 10 percent following a worsening in the British economy over the last three months.

Storehouse added 4 cents to $2.37 while Kingfisher slipped 10 cents to $7.03 on the news.

Unilever dropped 20 cents to $11.62 after reporting lower third quarter profits.

Bass fell 25 cents to $18.73 and Grand Metropolitian slipped 9 cents to $10.54 on what was described as signs of a downturn in the U.S. economy.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange ended higher in quiet trading boosted in part by gains in chemical stocks.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which slipped 1.71 points Thursday, gained 12.05 points to 1,381.49.

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#90313u1166 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - The United Nations rejected Friday an Iraqi request to discuss the presence of U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf area and Iraq reiterated its threat to destroy the oil fields in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.

The U.N. General Assembly's Committee rejected the Iraqi request one day after President Bush ordered another 150,000 U.S. troops to Middle East, which will bring the total American ground forces to nearly 400, 000 by early next year.

The U.N. move marked a rejection of Iraqi efforts to distract attention from its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and onto the growing presence of U.S. troops in

the region.

It was the first time the world body's 29-member committee, which sets the agenda for the 159-nation annual General Assembly session, refused to inscribe an item.

It was also Iraq's first attempt to take the issue to the assembly after repeated condemnations in the Security Council for its invasion of Kuwait.

''We believe that it is necessary to reject the Iraqi request because it distorts the truth, defies the Security Council and undercuts the Council by trying to inscribe the item,'' said U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Thomas Pickering.

In Tehran, Iranian President Hojatoleslam Ali-Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani said at Friday prayers he saw no signs of a peaceful solution to the crisis and called on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

Rafsanjani repeated his concern that ''war may break out in the region'' and that ''there are no signs of a peaceful solution'' to the 3-month-old standoff.

Tehran Radio, monitored in Athens, quoted Rafsanjani as telling worshippers the presence of Iraqi troops in Kuwait was ''bringing major losses to the region, including the presence of foreign forces in the Persian Gulf.''

Despite Iraq's recent decision to capitulate to Iran's demands for a comprehensive peace settlement to their 1980-88, Rafsanjani - whose country has a long, U.N.-policed land border with Iraq - pledged not to violate U.N. sanctions against Baghdad.

In London, Secretary of State James Baker met Friday with British Premier Margaret Thatcher and Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd as he neared the end of a seven-day, eight-nation Mideast-European tour to seek a mandate for the use of military force against Iraq.

Thatcher declared the ''military option'' will be used if Iraq does not withdraw from Kuwait. ''The peaceful solution would be for Iraq to get out of Kuwait. That is a matter for them. We hope they will do it. If not, we will have to take the military option and see that Iraq does leave Kuwait.''

Baker was to meet with NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner on Saturday in Paris to discuss the gulf situation, among other issues, the NATO press service said.

In Baghdad, Iraq reiterated its threat to destroy vital oil facilities in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia if attacked by the U.S.-led ''

Bush fueled speculation late Thursday that the United States is preparing for war by announcing he would semd more troops to the region.

His announcement came as the Soviet Union toughened its stance when Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze conceded that military force may be necessary to liberate Kuwait.

The official Iraqi news agency, INA, quoted official newspapers as saying the region is ''on the brink of a destructive war if Washington will take the risk of a military operation against Iraq.''

''The price of aggression on Iraq would be high and oil would be part of the price,'' INA said, quoting one newspaper as saying Iraqi troops would "destroy the oil resources for which the Americans had come to plunder and control.''

Saudi Arabia, which contains about 25 percent of the world's known oil reserves, produces 8.2 million barrels of crude a day, most of it sent to the United States, Western Europe and Japan. Kuwait, prior to the Aug. 2 invasion, produced 1.5 million barrels a day.

INA also reported that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein met with an envoy from Cuban President Fidel Castro, who called for a peaceful settlement of the crisis.

The news agency quoted Iraqi officials as denying that Iraq is importing large amounts of medicine in response to an accusation by a U.N. official that Baghdad intended to use the medicine to make biological weapons.

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#90313u1190 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (NOV. 9) UPI - A federal judge prepared to hear arguments Friday on whether a network may broadcast government tapes of telephone conversations between deposed Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega and his defense attorneys.

Cable News Network, which has obtained at least seven of the tapes in Noriega's drug-trafficking case, aired short selections Thursday morning. The broadcast prompted the general's defense attorneys to seek a permanent injunction against airing the material.

Lead defense attorney Frank Rubino, who was ''horrified'' to learn the government had taped conversations between attorneys and Noriega, has asked U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler to issue an injunction permanently banning use of the tapes. Rubino said airing of the tapes would interfere with efforts to give Noriega a fair trial.

On Thursday, Hoeveler issued a temporary order blocking CNN from using the audio tapes and asked them in a non-binding statement from the bench to pledge

not to air the tapes in order to avoid a legal battle.

CNN immediately filed an appeal with the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta, asking the three-judge panel to lift Hoeveler's temporary injunction.

Dave Maland, a clerk of the appeals court, said Friday the judges have received the legal briefs, but did not expect to rule prior to a hearing scheduled later Friday before Hoeveler on the permanent injunction.

The government has denied that any of the calls taped included conversations between the general and his attorneys. All telephone conversations made by federal prisoners are automatically recorded unless they are speaking with their attorneys.

On Thursday afternoon, CNN played one of the tapes it had obtained for Rubino at his Miami law offices.

''There is absolutely no question in my mind, not only was it a conversation between my office, but that it was a conversation of a privileged nature,'' Rubino said in an appearance Thursday on CNN's ''Larry King Live.'' ''The general was discussing certain witnesses, certain investigative techniques, requesting information as to how our investigation had progressed, and offering us ideas, in fact.''

CNN attorneys have insisted that attempts to block broadcasts of the tapes violates Constitutional guarantees of freedom of the press.

''The disruption of attorney-client privilege was not at CNN's doing. It was the government's doing. We were merely reporting it,'' CNN attorney Terry Bienstock said.

Hoeveler, who was obviously disturbed by any violation of client- attorney privilege, ordered government prosecutors to report on how many tapes had been made of Noriega's conversations with his attorneys.

The judge said he planned to have a federal magistrate review the tapes and then advise him on whether any privileged conversations were recorded.

Runbino expects to file a motion to dismiss the charges against Noriega next week, based on the existence of the tapes.

A 1988 Miami federal indictment against Noriega and 15 other defendants charges them with providing a drug trafficking and money laundering sanctuary for South American drug smugglers. A simultaneous indictment in Tampa accuses him of conspiring with a smuggler to import more than a million pounds of marijuana.

He surrendered in the Dec. 20 U.S. invasion of Panama and was brought to Miami

to stand trial, which is scheduled to begin Jan. 28. If convicted in Miami, he faces a maximum penalty of 145 years in prison and a $1.1 million fine.

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#90313u1192 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

DUBLIN, IRELAND (NOV. 9) UPI - Mary Robinson, a leftist politician who plans to extend ''a hand of friendship'' to Northern Ireland, was elected Ireland's seventh and first female president.

Officials said Friday Robinson surged to an 86,000-ballot majority with the help of more than 200,000 second preference votes cast in the Wednesday polling, ending with 817,830 votes. Former Deputy Prime Minister Brian Lenihan secured 731,273 votes, they said.

''My first reaction is one of great joy,'' said a jubilant Robinson. ''Yet I also feel very humble that so many people have placed their trust and confidence in me.''

Robinson capitalized on second preference votes that had been cast for the third candidate, Austin Currie. Irish voters give first and second preferences for president, and if no candidate wins an outright majority, the second preferences given to failed candidiates are factored into the final count.

Prime Minister Charles Haughey was the first to congratulate Robinson.

The campaign had become acrimonious campaign because Lenihan, who was also defense minister, became enmeshed in a controversy over alleged unconstitutional conduct during a 1982 political crisis.

Haughey last week sacked Lenihan in order to defeat a confidence motion spawned by the dispute, which effectively scuttled Lenihan's presidential ambitions. He had been the front-runner, and it was the first time the Fianna Fail party had lost the president's office.

''Six months ago I could have got a 1,000 to 1 odds that Mary Robinson would be elected to the presidency, but anything can happen in Irish politics,'' said Richard Spring, leader of the Labor Party.

The new president will be inaugurated Dec. 3.

Robinson, 46, married and a mother of three, said, ''This is a great day for women.''

Robinson is a lawyer in private practice and served for 20 years in the upper house for the Irish Labor party. She resigned from Labor in 1985 to protest the Anglo-Irish Agreement that gave Dublin a say in the affairs of Northern Ireland, but Robinson objected to because it did not involve the participation

of Northern Irish unionists.

As president, she said she wants to have closer links with the Northern Irish, particularly the Catholics in the poorer regions most afflicted by the protracted rebellion against British rule.

''I would really hope to extend that hand of friendship with no hidden agenda, no strings attached,'' she said.

She twice lost elections to the Dail, or lower house, and as a senator and lawyer has been responsible for changes in Irish civil rights legislation, such as allowing women to sit on juries, guaranteeing equal social welfare rights, and opening up free legal assistance to low income people.

In Catholic-dominated Ireland, she is also known for having liberal views on contraception and abortion.

Officials said 64.1 percent of Ireland's 2.4 million eligible voters cast ballots, considered average for a presidential election, but low by general election standards.

''We're pleased that we held onto our hardcore voters,'' said Labor Minister Bertrum Ahern, Lenihan's supporter and director of elections for the incumbent Fianna Fail party. ''We did not get any votes other than from our rock foundation.''

Alan Dukes, the head of the Fine Gael party which backed Currie, said his group were glad to have been able to contribute to Robinson's victory through the second preference pact.

''This is a clear decision by the Irish people for a different kind of president,'' he said.

Towards the end of her campaign, Robinson distanced herself from the hard left wing of her support, including the Marxist Worker's Party. Labor, the Worker's Party and smaller communist groups are claiming a Robinson win as a victory for the left.

Opponents believe, however, that Robinson galvanized the women's vote across all parties.

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#90313u1205 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) UPI - The federal government announced plans Friday to build a 1,000-bed prison in the nation's capital, where a crack cocaine epidemic and America's worst murder rate have taxed local facilities.

Bureau of Prisons Director J. Michael Quinlan said the proposed $80 million Metropolitan Detention Center will hold defendants in the custody of the U.S. Marshals Service while awaiting trial. The facility, to be built within site of the Capitol dome, is designed to help relieve severe overcrowding at the District of Columbia Jail.

''This institution will significantly enhance public safety by taking drug offenders and other violent criminals off the street while they are awaiting trial,'' Quinlan said. ''Its construction will provide federal law enforcement agencies in the D.C. area with additional resources to even more aggressively enforce federal statutes and keep dangerous offenders in custody awaiting trial in federal court.''

Spurred in part by a bloody turf war between crack cocaine dealers, Washington last year had the nation's highest per-capita murder rate, earning it the dubious title of ''murder capital.''

The violence has continued this year, with the lastest FBI Uniform Crime Report showing the district's 218 murders during the first half of 1990 matched last year's record pace of 217.

''This project,'' Quinlan said, ''demonstrates the bureau's continued commitment to safe streets in our nation's capital.''

Quinlan said the D.C. Jail currently holds about 400 federal prisoners under the supervision of U.S. marshals, and those inmates will be moved to the new facility.

He said the bureau also will make 300 beds in the Metropolitan Detention Center available to the D.C. Department of Corrections for local offenders. The District would reimburse the federal government for each prisoner it sends to the new facility.

The net result, Quinlan said, is that the D.C. jail will have space for 700 additional prisoners, ''enabling the District to confine additional local offenders awaiting trial.''

''It would definitely help relieve our overcrowding,'' said Pat Wheeler, spokeswoman for the D.C. Department of Corrections. She said local officials have been working with the federal government on the proposal so they were not surprised by Friday's announcement.

Quinlan said the remaining space at the MDC will be devoted to pre- trial confinement of ''additional dangerous federal offenders'' and to ''accommodate the rapidly growing law enforcement activity in the D.C. area.''

Three proposed sites are being considered for the new prison, which officials hope to have up and running sometime in late 1993. Two of the sites are about

a mile north of the Capitol, and the third is about three-quarters of a mile to the south.

The Bureau of Prisons next week will begin to prepare the required environmental impact study on the affect the prison will have on the area.

Bureau of Prisons spokesman Greg Bogdan said federal officials are trying to arrange meetings next week with neighborhood groups near the three sites to answer questions or concerns they may have.

''Everywhere we site (a prison facility) there's always opposition,'' Bogdan said, adding that the process of picking the final location ''takes some time.''

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#90313u1210 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 9) UPI - The new Miss World is America's Gina Tolleson, who was judged more beautiful than 80 other women from around the world despite a bout with influenza.

Miss Ireland, Siobhan McClafferty, 20, came second, and Miss Venezuela, Sharon Gonzalez, 19, was third in the contest Thursday evening in the London Palladium theater.

''I felt so bad during dress rehearsals that I had to get off stage, and all I could do was pray I would be okay,'' Tolleson said about her flu, which apparently was caused by London's legendary inclement weather.

She succeeds Polish beauty Aneta Kreglicka.

The brown-eyed brunette from South Carolina is a student at the University of Georgia and hopes to work in broadcast journalism. She said she enjoys writing reading, gardening, tennis and tap dancing.

Tolleson will receive more than $78,400 in cash and other prizes during her year-long reign.

All 81 contestants paraded in their evening gowns and swimsuits before the finalists were chosen in the show televized to 50 nations.

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#90313u1213 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 9) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker met Friday with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, who declared the ''military option'' will be used if Iraq does not withdraw from Kuwait.

Baker arrived in London after holding discussions in Moscow with President Mikhail Gorbachev and Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze which ended with Soviet and American statements that force may be necessary to dislodge the armies of Saddam Hussein from the emirate.

In London, Baker first visited Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd, and then spoke with Thatcher in her Downing Street office for more than an hour.

Baker said, ''there are no partial solutions,'' to the crisis, and that his talks with Thatcher had looked at ''ways in which we can preserve and move forward with the unprecedented international concensus that is supporting the United Nations resolutions.''

Thatcher was more strident.

''The peaceful solution would be for Iraq to get out of Kuwait,'' she said. ''That is a matter for them. We hope they will do it. If not, we will have to take the military option and see that Iraq does leave Kuwait.''

Thatcher also hailed ''this great international coaltion to show that aggression does not, cannot and will not pay.''

Baker said while en route to Britain that ''the superpowers will not be divided'' over the Gulf issue, but he would not divulge to reporters if a timetable for military action had been decided.

He flew Friday night to Paris, the seventh leg of his whirlwind tour of the Middle East and Europe to assess support for possible military action by the U.S.-led multinational force being assembled in Saudi Arabia.

NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner will discuss the situation in the Gulf and East-West arms control negotiations with Baker in Paris Saturday, the NATO press service said Friday.

A statement issued by the NATO press service said Woerner and Baker will also discuss the Western alliance's military strategy as defined by the NATO summit meeting of heads of state and government in London in July.

At its London meeting, the NATO summit issued a declaration saying Europe had entered a new, promising era, as East European countries had embarked on the road toward liberalization and the Soviet Union on a long journey toward a free society.

He later departed for Paris, the seventh leg of his whirlwind tour of the Middle East and Europe to assess support for possible military action by the U.S.-led multinational force being assembled in Saudi Arabia.

Britain plans to have about 16,000 troops stationed in the kingdom alongside

the American and Arab forces, underlining Thatcher's staunch support for Washington since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

An official of Baker's delegation was quoted as saying the secretary of state had been convinced during his visit that gulf states would fight alongside the American and British forces in the event of a war.

Egyptian and Syrian commanders have said their mission is to deter and defend any Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia, a brief that does not include staging an offensive against Iraq. Baghdad has tried to exploit the apparent division, calling on the Arab troops not to take arms against Arab brothers.

The unidentified American official was also reported to have said the Soviet Union was no more optimistic than Washington that force could be avoided to resolve the crisis.

In the Soviet Union, Shevardnadze acknowledged it may take more than political pressure to end the standoff, but said ''all decisions should be made within the framework of the (U.N.) Security Council.''

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#90313u1228 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NACOGDOCHES, TX (NOV. 9) UPI - A twin-engine plane crashed and burned during a heavy rainstorm Thursday night in East Texas, killing five people, the Texas Department of Public Safety said.

A justice of the peace said the pilot and four passengers were dead at the scene of the crash about 6:05 p.m. in a heavily forested area three miles north of FM 225, DPS spokesman David Wells said.

''As they were trying to land there was a very heavy rainstorm,'' Wells said. ''The plane went down before it got to the runway.''

The plane hit the ground and burned, he said. Three of the five people were thrown out and two were trapped in the wreckage.

The airplane was registered with a contracting firm out of Hot Springs, Ark. It left Hot Springs earlier in the day with three passengers and picked up two more in Peachtree City, Ga.

The DPS identified the dead as the pilot, Jim Grisham of Hot Springs, the pilot; Tim Owens and Joe Siedschlag, of Hot Springs, and Mary Angel, 36, and Thomas Angel, 8, both of Peacetree City.

The National Transportation Safety Board was investigating the accident.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - Secretary of State Baker is headed to London and talks with British Prime Minister Thatcher as he winds up a tour of the Middle East and Europe. In Moscow earlier in the day, Baker reported that the two super-powers agree that force canNOT be ruled out in the quest to get Iraq out of Kuwait. Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze says both Washington and Moscow prefer a peaceful solution to the crisis but they are still willing to play the military card, if necessary.

Defense Secretary Cheney renewed his warning for Iraq to get out of Kuwait... even as a major new U-S troop deployment to the Persian Gulf region got under way. The Pentagon is NOT releasing specific figures on the number of troops involved, but it reportedly could be in the neighborhood of 150-thousand. That total would put the U-S force in the Persian Gulf region at about 400-thousand.

Evangelist Billy Graham is calling for world prayer to end the Persian Gulf standoff. Graham said in Hong Kong today that the tension in the Middle East is more than a battle over oil. Graham says that if war breaks out in the troubled region, he doesn't think it can be contained. Graham's call for prayers came as the United States says it will deploy more American troops to Saudi Arabia... and world leaders stepped up demands for Iraq to end its occupation of Kuwait.

President Bush huddled with his top advisers at Camp David today to consider moves to offset a deep recession in the nation's economy. The post-election soul-searching is geared to finding a solution to what Bush yesterday called ''tough times now.'' Bush says he plans to hold a series of meetings with his top aides as well as outside advisers to- quote- ''soften the blow'' of an increasingly sluggish economy.

A rift in the Dutch Reformed Church in South Africa appeared to have been healed until today. But the white wing of the church today rejected a final communique for the largest gathering of church leaders in 30 years because it included political recommendations. The final communique called for a transition government during the drafting of a post apartheid constitution... release of political prisoners, and an end of discriminatory laws.

Diplomatic sources in Thailand say they expect a leadership upheaval in neighboring Vietnam next year. And it could make General Vo Ngyuen Giap the next president of Vietnam. The war hero has pushed for improved relations between Vietnam and China in the past. The 79-year-old former history teacher led the Vietnamese in defeating the French and then the U-S-backed government of what was then South Vietnam.

29-year-old Mark Peterson remains free on a five-thousand-dollar signature bond today, one day after a jury in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, convicted him of raping a woman who claims to have 46 personalities. Peterson showed no emotion

when the jury found him guilty of second- degree sexual assault after a four-day trial. He faces up to 10 years in prison and 10-thousand dollars in fines at his sentencing on December 10th.

The American controversy over 2 Live Crew is mirrored in a Canadian case decided by a jury in Ottawa last night. The jury cleared two albums by the punk rock group ''DayGlo Abortions'' of obscenity charges. The albums are entitled ''Feed Us a Fetus'' and ''Here Today Guano Tomorrow.'' The group was NOT charged in the case, which was filed against the record producer and the distributing company. The jury in the case listened to both albums, which contain lyrics about sex, satanism, bestiality, rape, murder and suicide.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said Friday that new troop deployments to the Persian Gulf are additional forces, not replacements, raising the suggestion that an offensive-designed U.S.-led multinational force could be ready early next year in case orders are issued to drive Iraq from Kuwait.

Cheney's comments to reporters followed the announcement Thursday that the United States would deploy more troops in the region, shifting from a defensive posture to one that could wage war as an offensive force.

According to defense sources, the additional deployment will be more than 100,000 troops and could possibly escalate to between 150,000 and 170,000 when support forces are included. At the very least, the latest action will raise the total U.S. commitment in the region to the vacinity of 400,000 troops. Another 200,000 Saudi and allied forces are in and around Saudi Arabia.

The allied forces are countered by more than 400,000 Iraqi troops.

The Army commitment is estimated at about 260,000 by the time the deployment is completed. The Marine Corps contribution is about 90,000 for amphibious operations and ground warfare.

Exclusive of support ships and other combatants, the six aircraft carriers and two battleships alone will contribute 33,000 sailors. The Air Force has contributed parts of 14 fighter wings, AWACs radar planes and bombers to the operation, but has not hinted at its manpower contribution.

Cheney told reporters the forces now going to the gulf ''should be thought of as a net addition to the forces in the theater. They are not going over there as replacements but rather to be added to the forces that are over there.''

And asked if he was saying there would be a relatively short-term solution to the crisis, Cheney added, ''By sending these forces we're making it very clear

to Saddam Hussein we expect him to comply with the U.N. resolutions and withdraw from Kuwait and we are hopeful we can achieve that peacefully. ... But it is obviously clear we are also preparing the capacity to exercise other options should that become necessary.''

The forces are not expected to be in place and combat ready until after the first of the year, raising the suggestion that by late winter or early spring - if economic sanctions and international pressure has not forced Iraq out of Kuwait - military leaders could present political leaders with a multinational force capable of sweeping Iraq out of Kuwait.

No ceiling has been put on the size of the U.S. force that will be sent in should Iraq refuse to withdraw.

Cheney said half the forces commited to NATO were being sent to the Gulf region.

The deployment to Saudi Arabia and the surrounding waters will far exceed the U.S. deployment of forces to Europe during the Cold War. There were as many as 326,000 U.S. forces in Europe at the height of the Cold War. Some have been drawn down, and half of the roughly 310,000 now there are being deployed to Saudi Arabia.

During a question-and-answer session following a speech to a conservative organization, Cheney distanced himself from calls to threaten to use nuclear weapons on Iraq rather than putting 400,000 American lives in jeopardy.

Addressing a conservative activist who raised the issue, Cheney said, ''In the more than three months (since the deployment) you are the first individual to suggest to me that approach.''

''I think we moved away over the years from the Eisenhower strategy (used to help end the Korean war in 1953). We've moved generally as a matter of national strategy to having a range of responses and having conventional capabilities of the kinds we've deployed is very important. ... We are in the position of adding more capability. We made it clear that the president has a wide range of options if he decides he wants to move more aggressively than we have to date.

''I would not want to argue a strategy based solely on the proposition that the would rely on nuclear weapons in this kind of situation. I think we meed more flexibility,'' said Cheney.

The defense chief said Iraq was an example of how ''modern technology can make a third rate power a first class military threat.''

The occupation of Kuwait, he said, gave Iraq control of one-fifth of the world's proven oil reserves and had Saddam continued down the Gulf coast of

the Arabian peninsula and picked off the Saudi Arabia and the various emirates he could have held two-thirds of the world's proven oil reserves.

''That's not just marketplace clout. That's a strategic sledgehammer. There is no way the civilied world is going to give Saddam Hussein that kind of power over the very lifeline to the world's economy,'' said Cheney.

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#90313u1261 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 9) UPI - The guided missile cruiser USS Philippine Sea fired warning shots across the bow of a Sudanese-flagged cargo vessel Friday, then sailors boarded and searched the ship before allowing it to proceed to the Jordanian port of Aqaba.

The incident came as the U.S. Central Command information bureau reported in a statement that a U.S. Army soldier participating in Operation Desert Shield was found dead Thursday in a shower. The cause of the death was unknown.

The statement said authorities were conducting an investigation into the death of the soldier, who was assigned to the 118th Ordinance Detachment of the 11th Air Defence Artillery Brigade. There was no indication he had been slain, the statement said.

A ship participating in the United Nations blockade of Iraq intercepted the Sudanese-flagged cargo vessel Umdurman Friday in the northern Red Sea and asked permission to board the vessel, the information bureau said in another statement.

When the Umdurman refused repeated requests to take on the boarding party, the ship fired warning shots across the cargo vessel's bow, the statement said. It did not identify the nationality of the ship that intercepted the Umdurman.

The guided missile cruiser USS Philippine Sea arrived with a third ship a short time later and fired 50 rounds from a 50-caliber machine gun across the bow of the Umdurman becauseit again refused to accept a boarding party, the statement said.

When the Umdurman still rejected a boarding party, the USS Philippine Sea fired another 50 50-caliber rounds followed by two rounds from a five-inch cannon, the statement said.

A boarding party then traveled to the Umdurman by helicopter. Additional teams from the USS Philippine Sea and another ship went aboard the cargo vessel. The statement said the ship was searched and allowed to proceed to the Jordanian port of Aqaba.

The statement did not say what cargo the vessel was carrying.

Jordan has been suspected of violating the United Nations embargo against Iraq because of the close ties between the kingdom and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The Jordanian government, however, denies the claims and says it is abiding by the embargo.

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RICHMOND, VA (NOV. 9) UPI - Virginia Gov. L. Douglas Wilder, the nation's only elected black governor and a rising star in the Democratic Party, is taking the first formal step toward a presidential bid in 1992, it was reported Friday.

A one-time liberal who has moved right to woo moderates over the years, Wilder has drawn praise from conservatives by erasing Virginia's $1.4 billion budget gap in a very Republican fashion - cutting spending instead of raising taxes.

The creation of a campaign committee was revealed in a copyright story in The Richmond News Leader and promptly confirmed by Wilder's top strategist, Paul Goldman.

''I want to make sure all the speculators are working - and working overtime '' Goldman said, adding that Tuesday's election showed voters were looking ''for what we've been promoting. The election was about fiscally sound policies ... and that's what we've been pushing for.''

Tuesday's election also moved up Wilder's personal stock. Not only did potential black rivals, such as North Carolina's Harvey Gantt, go down in defeat, other Democratic presidential possibles squeaked by when they were expected to win big.

The exploratory committee is not named after Wilder but one of his pet causes - The Committee for Fiscal Responsbility. Goldman told United Press International, ''We are now in the debate stage of the presidential process. We need the debate now and we need the vehicle to push it.'' He said it could easily be turned into a Wilder '92 committee under federal election laws.

Wilder has spent so much time in other states promoting other Democrats - including in the early presidential sweepstakes states of Iowa and New Hampshire - that he has caught some flak back home.

He traveled so extensively in one week The News Leader headlined a story, ''Wilder to visit six states plus Virginia.''

Mark Warner, a top party fund-raiser and a Wilder appointee to a state transportation commission, will be the committee treasurer.

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#90313u1283 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) UPI - Iraq allowed three American male hostages to leave the country, including one who was shot in the arm, the State Department said Friday.

Richard Boucher, State Department spokesman, said the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad was notified that five Americans had been taken to the Mansour Hotel in the Iraqi capital, in preparation for their release.

According to Boucher, two of the five Americans were told they could not leave. There was no explanation given by the Iraqi authorities for the continued detention of the two men.

Among the three who were allowed to depart, he said, is Miles Hoffman, the Columbus, Ga., man who was shot in the arm last month in Kuwait City by Iraqi troops. Iraqi authorities said that he had been violating the curfew in the occupied city.

Reports from other hostages said that his condition had worsened in captivity and it was possible that he would lose the arm unless he had advanced medical treatment.

Boucher did not give the identity of the other two Americans, but he said they were both on the list of male hostages who were suffering from various medical problems and needed medical attention or treatment.

The State Department said that 60 of those medical cases remain hostage in Iraq or Kuwait. About 100 American men remain ''human shields, kept near strategic industrial and military targets.

Boucher again criticized the Iraqi government for ''its heartlessly cruel policy of bargaining hostages'' in order to gain political favor with western governments and families.

Former Japanese premier Yasohiro Nakasone returned to Japan from Iraq Thursday with 74 Japanese hostages. They were released after Nakasone had travelled to Iraq and met with President Saddam Hussein.

At about the same time, the Japanese government gave up on its parliamentary struggle to send a small detachment of troops from the Self-Defense Force to join the colaition of forces now in Saudi Arabia.

The Japanese government is now trying to put together legislation which would permit the sending of volunteers to the Persian Gulf.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close

Nov. 8, 1990

Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	423.47	off 12.83	up 1.06
Growth & Income	667.90	off 11.94	up 1.20
Balanced	441.86	off 10.88	up 0.85
Average Fund Performances:			
Capital Appreciation (143)		off 14.79	up 0.82
Growth (261)		off 12.75	up 0.97
Small Co. Growth (83)		off 19.89	up 1.30
Growth & Income (202)		off 11.09	up 0.76
Equity Income (68)		off 11.33	up 0.78
Average 757 Equity		off 13.37	up 0.91
Health/Biotech (9)		up 6.05	up 1.34
Natural Resources (19)		off 7.96	off 0.48
Environmental (5)		off 16.83	off 0.68
Science & Technology (23)		off 13.57	up 1.93
Specialty/Misc (32)		off 17.07	up 0.34
Utility (15)		off 4.41	off 0.15
Financial Services (9)		off 25.03	up 3.42
Real Estate (6)		off 21.23	up 0.69
Option Income (10)		off 10.11	up 0.72
Global (44)		off 11.46	off 0.32
International (59)		off 11.21	off 1.26
European Region (17)		off 3.17	off 0.34
Pacific Region (18)		off 16.48	off 1.58
Gold Oriented (36)		off 24.52	off 0.68
Average All Equity (1054)		off 13.32	up 0.60
Flexible Portfolio (46)		off 6.46	up 0.58
Global Flexible Port (11)		off 5.93	off 0.04
Balanced (62)		off 5.57	up 0.49
Convertible Security (31)		off 12.45	up 0.66
Mixed Income (13)		off 3.74	up 0.20
Income (4)		off 10.76	off 0.26
World Income (46)		up 12.44	up 0.50
Fixed Income (539)		up 1.21	off 0.14
Average 1811 Funds		off 7.74	up 0.36
Median 1811 Funds		off 8.40	up 0.20
Unmanaged Market Indicators:			

DJ Industrial	2,443.81	off 11.24	off	0.45
S&P 500	307.61	off 12.96	up	0.19
S&P 400	359.72	off 10.85	off	0.02
NYSE Composite	168.14	off 13.79	up	0.33
Amex	289.07	off 23.53	up	0.06

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)

Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (NOV. 9) UPI - The government of Prime Minister Marian Calfa appeared in crisis Friday with the unraveling of an agreement reached only four days earlier on how to decentralize the government.

Top ministers of the federal government and the Czech and Slovak national governments hastily scheduled a meeting Saturday in Modra, West Slovakia, to negotiate a new pact.

At issue is an agreement reached Monday between the premiers of the three governments to transfer much of the federal government's regulatory, administrative and taxation powers to the Czech and Slovak national governments.

Later, however, Calfa said that technical obstacles, such as the transfer of offices and workers, meant that the decentralization would probably not take effect Jan. 1, 1991 as planned.

Advisers to several government ministers, speaking on condition of anonymity, told UPI the government split could threaten Calfa's tenure.

''Calfa is endangered because he is a Slovak and he is seen as having given in to the Slovaks' extreme autonomy demands,'' said one source.

''The situation is critical because so far Calfa is the only person who has been able to mediate between Czechs and Slovaks and all the different parties.''

Czech and Slovak national government leaders have been pressing for greater control over their own economic, administrative and social affairs.

They blame decades of centralized rule from Prague for the economic and ecological catastrophes the country is facing. They say only local control over economic, educational and other matters will give the country a chance to

recover from four decades of communist mismanagement.

Government spokesmen and ministers refused to speak on the crisis, and the official Czechoslovak news agency CTK carried no reports on the developments Friday.

Monday's agreement left the federal government with control over the military, foreign affairs, a central bank, raw materials and energy and some aspects of taxation, transport and communications.

But a top adviser to another minister said the validity of the federal government was threatened by the accord Calfa reached with the republican premiers.

''The main sticking point is that the federation needs more money and more regulatory influence,'' said the adviser.

The debate centers on the question of economic power. Since under the plan the government would give up most of its revenue - and thus both spending and regulatory influence - it would find it difficult to control inflation, critics suggest.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 9) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	77.25	78.40	77.20	78.30	77.35
Feb	74.55	75.25	74.52	75.17	74.65
Apr	74.78	75.62	74.72	75.42	74.87
Jun	72.65	73.40	72.60	73.37	72.72
Aug	71.40	72.10	71.40	71.75	71.30
Oct	71.62	72.05	71.57	71.95	71.52
Dec	72.50	72.65	72.50	72.65	72.45

Est. sales 16,456 contracts; Thursday 7,511; open interest 68,264 off 160.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Nov	87.70	88.30	87.70	88.15	87.60
Jan	86.05	86.55	85.90	86.40	85.90
Mar	83.70	84.22	83.60	84.15	83.55
Apr	82.55	83.10	82.55	83.10	82.65
May	82.00	82.40	82.00	82.35	82.02
Aug	81.50	81.50	81.40	81.50	81.20
Sep	80.40	80.40	80.40	80.40	80.20

Est. sales 1,428 contracts; Thursday 1,119; open interest 9,362 off 38.
Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	52.35	52.80	52.35	52.65	53.07
Feb	50.20	50.60	50.10	50.45	50.57
Apr	47.55	47.72	47.25	47.45	47.65
Jun	51.00	51.35	50.85	51.30	51.12
Jul	51.45	51.55	51.15	51.55	51.65
Aug	49.60	49.70	49.40	49.70	49.75
Oct	....	44.70	44.45	44.70	44.65
Dec	....	....	44.82	44.82	44.85

Est. sales 6,097 contracts; Thursday 6,272; open interest 26,051 off 210. Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	68.80	70.15	68.37	69.85	69.17
Mar	67.95	69.70	67.70	69.22	68.50
May	67.60	69.25	67.40	68.80	68.15
Jul	67.07	68.20	66.50	68.00	67.10
Aug	64.75	66.15	64.60	66.15	64.90

Est. sales 4,251 contracts; Thursday 5,556; open interest 10,891 up 929.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lb 126.30 up 6 cents, 700-850 lb 126.05 up 9 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lb 116.91 down 2 cents, 700-850 lb 116.21 down 8 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow to moderate; demand moderate; fresh pork loins steady to weak; Boston butts were not tested; skinned hams weak to 3.00 lower; seedless bellies firm; pork loins 14-18 lb 93.00-98.00, 18-22 lb 93.00; hams 17-20 lb 100.00, 20-26 lb 82.00- 90.00, 32 lb and up 81.00; bellies 10-12 lb 53.00, 12-14 lb 60.50, 14-16 lb 60.50, 16-18 lb 59.00.

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TAMPA, FL (NOV. 9) UPI - Minnesota Vikings kicker Donald Igwebuike was indicted by a federal grand jury Friday on charges of smuggling heroin from his native Nigeria into the United States.

Igwebuike, who played for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers for five years before signing with the Vikings this year, was charged with plotting to smuggle heroin, conspiracy to import with intent to distribute and the importation of heroin.

Igwebuike, 29, was expected to turn himself in to authorities.

Investigators say the smuggling activities allegedly occurred while Igwebuike was playing with the Buccaneers and living in Tampa. The native of Anambra, Nigeria, was drafted by Tampa Bay in the 10th round in 1985.

Another Nigerian native, Ibezim Ofedu, charged in the heroin- trafficking ring pleaded innocent to similar charges in October in Tampa.

Last month, ABC News, citing unidentified sources, reported Igwebuike purchased a plane ticket for a co-defendant, Maduwuba Ibekwe, and participated in phone conversations that showed he knew of the drug deal.

Ibekwe, 31, was arrested at Orlando International Airport Oct.11. U.S. Customs Service officials allege Ibekwe tried to smuggle more than 3 1/2 ounces of heroin in pellets wrapped in electrical tape he had swallowed.

Both men are reported acquintances of Igewebuike.

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DALLAS (NOV. 9) UPI - A Federal Elections Commission official testified Friday that if allegations against former thrift owner Don Dixon were true, he made a ''mockery of political contributions limits.''

''There are good reasons for the regulations and one is so corporations cannot control politicians,'' said Brad Litchfield, a financial analyst with the FEC. ''If a person put somebody else's name down on a (contribution) disclosure form, or used company expense accounts as a conduit, then he made a mockery of the political contributions limits.''

Federal law prohibits companies from making political contributions and limits the amount from individuals to $1,000 a year.

Dixon, owner of failed Vernon Savings and Loan, is charged in a 38- count federal indictment with using thrift funds and doctored expense accounts to pay for prostitutes, make political contributions and support a lavish lifestyle. The thrift collapsed in 1987 with $1.3 billion in losses.

On Thursday, one of Vernon's six full-time jet pilots described that lifestyle.

''We often picked up women from a local topless joint,'' said Ken Seals, who piloted Vernon jets for four years. ''We never listed them on the flight log, but we took them everywhere'' including hunting trips and Vernon board meetings in California.

Seals also flew Linwood Bowman, top Texas S&L regulator in 1985 and 1986, to various Vernon's functions including a ''party trip'' in mid- 1985 in which Bowman was accompanied by an attractive female employee of Vernon.

Seals also testified the Vernon jet flew politicians, free of charge, to various fund-raisers. The passengers included Reps. Bill Lowery, R- Calif., and Rep. Tony Coelho, D-Calif., and Sens. Pete Wilson, R-Calif.

Earlier in the week, Karen Wilkening, convicted on prostitution- related charges, testified Vernon often ordered call girls for parties and was her best customer.

''They always paid in cash,'' she said.

The trial is expected to continue through November.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 9) UPI - Soybean futures were pressured by the November crop report and were lower to sharply lower Friday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Grain prices ended the day with moderate losses on spillover weakness from the soy complex.

An increase in production and carryover estimates for soybeans prompted aggressive professional selling. The Agriculture Department's production estimate was 4.4 percent higher than the October figure.

Soybeans made session lows late in the day, then recovered some of the losses just before the final bell. At one point, nearly all soybean prices were below year-ago levels, and closing prices were just above the lows on the same date last year.

The weakness in soybeans carried over to soybean oil and meal which also were sharply lower.

Grain prices were moderately lower, although losses in corn were limited by commercial buying. The USDA estimate of a slight reduction in the corn crop also kept a floor under prices.

The export markets were quiet and country movement was light.

At the close, corn was off 1/2 to 2, soybeans down 5 to 17 1/4, wheat off 2 1/4 to 3 1/2 and oats down 3 1/2 to 4.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 27 to 36 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.72	10.19	9.72	10.17	9.81
May	9.73	10.15	9.73	10.13	9.81
Jly	9.77	10.12	9.87	10.11	9.80
Oct	9.74	10.12	9.74	10.11	9.80
Mar	9.71	....	....	10.01	9.74

Estimated sales: 32,255 contracts
Open interest: 111,527 off 969
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.19

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday 4 points higher to 5 points lower.
SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.17	23.23	23.17	23.23	23.19
Mar	23.17	23.21	23.17	23.20	23.16
May	23.26	23.27	23.26	23.26	23.26
Jly	23.27	23.28	23.27	23.27	23.26
Sep	23.22	23.22	23.21	23.22	23.22
Nov	23.05	23.06	23.05	23.05	23.05
Jan	23.20	....	....	23.00	23.05

Estimated sales: 361 contracts
Open interest: 11,397 off 63

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#90313u1365 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 9) UPI - The U-N General Assembly Committee today rejected an Iraqi request to discuss the presence of U-S troops in the Persian Gulf region, and Iraq reiterated its threat to destroy Kuwaiti and Saudi Arabian oilfields. The committee's action was the first time the 29-member group refused to put an item on the General Assembly agenda. The Iraqi request was its first to bring the American troop issue before the world body after suffering repeated condemnations from the 15-member U-N Security Council.

Soviet President Gorbachev and German Chancellor Helmut Kohl today signed a co-operation treaty... sealing the new relationship between their two countries. The tightening of links comes exactly one year after the fall of the Berlin wall. At a signing ceremony in Bonn, Gorbachev hailed the treaty as ending an ''era of confrontation.'' The two nations also sign a treaty on economic and scientific co-operation.

The Labor Department reports a one-point-one percent jump in wholesale prices last month. It comes on another huge jump in energy prices as war fears grip Middle East oil fields. The increase in the government's closedly watched

Producer Price Index for October is better than expected by private economists who had expected a increase of just seven-tenths of one percent.

One Port Authority of New York officer describes as a ''full-scale riot'' one of the most violent incidents yet in the bitter strike against the New York Daily News. Authorities say Daily News strikers with clubs and hammers attacked a truck delivering the newspaper to the Port Authority bus terminal. Six people- including four police officers- were injured. Police say seven people were arrested... two strikers and five security guards hired by the Daily News.

The foreman in yesterday's multiple-personality rape trial in Wisconsin says jurors took two ballots during their almost seven hours of deliberations. The first was 8-4 in favor of conviction. The jury eventually did find 29-year-old Mark Peterson guilty of second-degree sexual assault of a woman claiming to have 46 distinct personalities. The case is a first in the nation, and the prosecutor says it may become a model for future cases involving crimes against people with similar mental disorders.

There are NO reports of damage or injuries from a minor earthquake along the New Madrid fault. The National Earthquake Information Center says last night's tremor measuring three-point-six on the Richter scale was felt in southeastern Missouri and parts of Kentucky and Tennessee. It was centered in an area about five miles northwest of New Madrid, which is about 150 miles southeast of St. Louis.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Gold futures closed Friday 250 to 330 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	385.10	385.70	384.50	384.80	387.30
Dec	387.30	388.00	383.30	386.30	388.90
Feb	391.40	391.70	387.10	390.10	392.70
Apr	395.30	395.30	390.80	393.60	396.30
Jun	398.70	398.70	395.00	397.50	400.20
Aug	401.00	....	....	401.10	403.90
Oct	405.50	405.50	405.00	405.00	407.80
Dec	409.50	409.50	408.80	408.80	411.70
Feb	413.90	413.80	412.30	413.20	416.10
Apr	418.00	418.00	416.20	417.20	420.30
Jun	421.60	....	....	421.60	424.80
Aug	426.30	....	....	426.30	429.60

Estimated sales: 34,000 contracts.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in light trading.

Bonds - Higher.

American Stocks - Higher in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in lackluster trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed slightly lower in dull trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1/2 to 2, soybeans down 5 to 17 1/4, wheat off 2 1/4 to 3 1/2 and oats down 3 1/2 to 4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90313u1398 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	386.00 off 1.25
Morning fixing	384.85 off 1.15
Afternoon fixing	385.70 off 0.30
Close	385.00 off 1.00
Paris	389.83 up 1.82
Zurich	386.00 off 0.50
Hong Kong	384.75 off 1.75
New York	
Comex spot close	384.80 off 2.50
Republic cash	385.00 off 2.50
Handy and Harman	385.70 up 0.90

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 387.01 up 0.96 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 406.36

up 1.01 per troy ounce.
Silver
Comex spot close 4.237 off 0.04
Republic cash 4.24 off 0.04

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.225 per fine ounce off 0.02

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.235 off 0.03 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.531 off 0.033.
Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 417.00 off 6.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 517.00 off 6.00.
Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 94.00 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 109.00 off 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90313u1403 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages fell to 10.09 percent from 10.13 percent while adjustable-rate notes fell to 8.09 percent from 8.15 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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#90313u1416 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
COLUMBUS, Ind. (NOV. 9) UPI - V. William Hunt and Byron O. Pond were elected executive vice presidents by the Arvin Industries board Friday. Pond was also elected to the board of directors.

Hunt has responsibilities for the company's industrial and governmental divisions, while Pond assumes responsiblity for the automotive divisions.

Additionally, two division presidents were named.

James W. Thomas was promoted to president, Maremont Exhaust Systems Products Division, and E. Leon Viars to president, Gabriel Ride Control Products Division. Thomas and Viars were elected Arvin vice presidents.

Thomas will have responsibility for North American aftermarket exhaust system business, and Viars assumes responbility for the company's ride control business.

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#90313u1419 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 9) - Bond Calendar - New Issues Scheduled for Public Sale

U.S. GOVERNMENT & FEDERAL AGENCIES (Week of November 13)

Nov. 13 - Record $20 billion 13-, 26-week T-bills ($2.250 billion new cash)

Nov. 15 - $11.75 billion 52-week T-bills ($1.975 billion new cash)

TAX-EXEMPT NOTES & BONDS (Courtesy of The Bond Buyer)
(Issues are to be negotiated unless otherwise noted)

$125 million Connecticut Health and Educational Facility Authority revenue bonds.
$47 million King County, Wash., Public Hospital District 1 revenue bonds.
$50 million State of New Hampshire general obligation bonds.
$63 million Corpus Christi, Texas, revenue bonds.
$120 million State of Illinois revenue bonds (competitive issue).
$303 million State of New York general obligation bonds (competitive issue).
$100 million Rhode Island Convention Center Authority bond anticipation notes (competitive issue).

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#90313u1448 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (NOV. 9) UPI - A trade group predicted Friday the Southern California economy, hit by a downturn in aerospace and an anticipated nationwide recession, would perform sluggishly next year but rebound in 1992.

''The year 1991 will not be easy and there will continue to be wide mood swings in public and business confidence,'' said Jack Kyser, chief economist for the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce.

''But don't get depressed, because we look for the area's economy to gather momentum in 1992, and to perform quite well during the decade,'' he said.

The chamber said the economy of the region - which includes Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura counties and has 14.4 million residents - will grow by 2.7 percent next year, compared with 3.1 percent this year. Nationally, the economy has grown by about 1 percent over the past 12 months, a rate that may increase to about 1.5 percent next year.

The region, which has the nation's highest concentration of aerospace workers, will see 15,000 jobs in the industry disappear next year following a decline of about 17,000 this year. Total aerospace employment in the region is

currently at about 375,000, down from a peak of 423,500 three years ago.

''We are going to have to fight to maintain our aerospace industry base,'' Kyser told an audience of about 500 in downtown Los Angeles. ''Many areas around the U.S. are trying to snag some of our business.''

The region's economy will also be dragged down by a softening in construction and real estate, Kyser said, particularly since lenders will be ''very picky.''

''In the residential sector, we should hit bottom in terms of sales activity early in 1991, then move sideways through the balance of the year,'' Kyser said. Office vacancy rates, now at 17 percent, will probably hit about 20 percent next year, he added.

Raymond Watt, chairman of developer Watt Industries, said the region's building industry is in a slump partly because of tight funding. ''Lenders have cut us off and refuse to support us,'' Watt said.

Watt predicted that the real estate slump would bottom out in the second quarter of 1991, then pick up steam, largely because the region will add 400,000 new residents next year.

Kyser also said growth will be sluggish in the retail, tourism and hotel industries during the next year.

George Kirkland, president of the L.A. Convention and Visitors Bureau, acknowledged that Los Angeles has image problems stemming from smog, congestion and gangs.

He said the bureau, which spends about $7 million a year to promote the area, needs more money to compete with Las Vegas and Hawaii, which both spend about $25 million a year on promotion.

''We have a fabulous product,'' Kirkland told the meeting. ''We have not done a good job of selling it.''

On the plus side, the chamber's forecast said the bright spots for the region will come in the picture-television industry, international trade and rail transit.

The forecast also repeated other predictions that most of the region's growth would come away from the high-priced coastal areas.

''The Riverside-San Bernardino area will be the economic growth locomotive for the five-county area, while the economies of both Los Angeles and Orange counties will be struggling,'' Kyser said. ''In fact, all around California, it will be the inland areas such as Sacramento, Fresno, Bakersfield and the Inland Empire that will provide the economic thrust in 1991.''

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#90313u1470 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 9) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $11 higher to $9 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.85 cent to 2.40 cents a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.25 cent higher to 0.20 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.02 cent higher to 0.80 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.50 to $3.30 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $11.20 to $11.30 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.75 cent higher to 0.25 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 4 cents an ounce lower across the board for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.027 to 0.036 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90313u1474 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 9) UPI - The State Department says Iraq today freed three American hostages, including one who had been shot in the arm by Iraqi troops in Kuwait City last month. A State Department spokesman says the U-S Embassy in Baghdad had been notified that five Americans would be leaving, but Iraqi authorities then told two of them that they could NOT go. There was NO explanation why the two were held. The spokesman says one of the three hostages freed is Miles Hoffman, the man who was wounded in Kuwait City.

President Bush today cast the 17th veto of his administration... against the bill that would have made substantial changes in the orphan drug law. Bush said the measure would have killed incentives for drug companies to develop medicines for rare diseases.

A copyrighted story in the Richmond News Leader says Virginia Governor Douglas Wilder has taken the first formal step toward running for president in 1992.

The report says papers were filed in Washington, D-C, to create a group called The Committee for Fiscal Responsibility, headed by two top Wilder aides.

Ireland has elected its first woman president. Leftist politician Mary Robinson surged to an 86-thousand-ballot majority over former Deputy Prime Minister Brian Lenihan who was sacked last week. As president, Robinson says she said she wants to extend ''a hand of friendship'' to Northern Ireland.

Soviet President Gorbachev received a warm, but low-key welcome upon his arrival today in Bonn... a sharp contrast to the huge crowds and chants of ''Gorby, Gorby'' that greeted his last visit in June 1989. But one hard-core supporter from southern Germany says he drove 800 miles just to get a glimpse of the Soviet leader.

Gorbachev said the collapse of the Berlin Wall exactly one year ago played a key role in the creation of a new relation between Germany and the Soviet Union. Gorbachev made the remarks after he and German Chancellor Helmut Kohl signed a co-operation treaty regulating relations between the two countries.

Modern Man is here. That's with a capital M followed by another capital M. 37-year-old Leland Roger Bruns of Minneapolis, a musician and illustrator of children's books, has gone to court to officially change his name to- Modern Man.

A series of 91 calls sent sheriff's deputies to a home in Blacksburg, Virginia with guns drawn. But the owners were never home. A little detective work found out why the calls kept coming. Juice from an over-ripe tomato in a hanging basket kept shorting out a telephone- answering machine.

If there's anyone out there who mailed six live breeder chickens that never got to where they were going- contact postal authorities in Columbus, Ohio. Mail sorters have found your cardboard box with NO destination or return address on it, and they have the chickens.

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#90313u1479 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1027.6
Thursday	1034.2
Week ago	1043.2
Month ago	1068.5
Year ago	1090.8
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1025.5

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#90313u1480 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 9) UPI - Charles H. Keating Jr.'s defense attorneys Friday asked a judge to dismiss a 42-count securities fraud indictment against the former head of Lincoln Savings and Loan and three co-defendants on grounds the charges are vague.

''Your honor, when we come to answer the charges against us, we have to know what those charges are,'' defense attorney Abbe Lowell, who represents co-defendant Judith Wischer, told Superior Court Judge Lance Ito at a pretrial hearing.

''We implore you to dismiss these charges because right now there are no charges to defend,'' Lowell argued.

But Deputy District Attorney William Hodgman disagreed, saying, ''We feel there has been sufficient specificity alleged in each count.''

After listening to the defense arguments, Ito told lawyers in the case he had ''major concerns'' for about half of the charges.

The judge then adjourned the proceedings for a noon recess to allow prosecutors time to prepare to respond to his concerns. He is expected to rule on the defense dismissal request after hearing additional argument following the recess.

Keating, 66, the former head of the now-defunct Irvine, Calif.-based Lincoln Savings, and three associates were indicted in September on charges of defrauding 23,000 investors, many of them elderly, out of $250 million in the sale of worthless junk bonds.

The indictment charges the four defendants with 42 state securities fraud counts for allegedly scheming to sell the junk bonds issued by Lincoln's parents, American Continental Corp., without telling investors that the bonds were high-risk and uninsured. Authorities say many of the victims lost their life savings.

The three co-defendants are Wischer, 42, former president of American Continental; Rob S. Symes, 37, former Lincoln chief executive officer; and Ray C. Fidel, former Lincoln president.

Keating, who spent a month in County Jail on $5 million bail, was freed Oct. 18 after his bond was slashed to $300,000.

Wischer is free on $200,000 bail; Symes is free on $100,000 bail and Fidel is free on $75,000 bail.

The four defendants have pleaded innocent to the charges. If convicted, they

could be sentenced to up to 10 years in state prison. Trial in the case is not expected to begin until spring.

Wischer was the only defendant to appear at Friday's hearing. Keating, Symes and Fidel were previously granted permission by the judge not to attend.

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#90313u1507 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

Business

The Milwaukee Brewers and Green Bay Packers say the future of pro baseball and football in Milwaukee may be in jeopardy because of a county decision to scrap plans for the Brewers to take control of Milwaukee County Stadium.

Golf

Jose Maria Olazabal of Spain shot a bogey-free 68 and Wayne Grady of Australia posted the day's best score of 66 to share the lead after two rounds of the $1 million VISA Taiheiyo Club Masters in Tokyo.

Honors

The Buffalo Bills this weekend will honor Bob Kalsu, the only NFL player to die in the Vietnam War. Kalsu, an offensive guard for the team in 1968, served as an Army lieutenent and was killed by mortar fire in 1970. ... BYU quarterback Ty Detmer and Colorado running back Eric Bieniemy lead the list of seven Walter Camp Foundation finalists for college football's Player of the Year. The others: quarterbacks Shawn Moore of Miami and David Klingler of Houston, Washington running back Greg Lewis and wide receiver Raghib Ismail of Notre Dame.

Horse Racing

With Approval, Canada's Triple Crown thoroughbred, leads a field of 10 foreign entries in the $2.56 million Japan Cup, one of the world's richest races, in Tokyo Nov. 25.

Law

Minnesota Vikings kicker Donald Igwebuike was indicted by a federal grand jury on charges of smuggling heroin from his native Nigeria into the United States. Igwebuike, who played for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers for five years before signing with the Vikings this year, was expected to turn himself in to authorities.

Skiing

American ski authorities want to shake up the traditional World Cup circuit and are threatening to pull out of the European tour unless changes are made. If their eight-point reform plan for the 1991-92 season fails, the Americans say they might stage a well-funded series of races of their own. A two-day meeting with skiing's ruling body began Friday in Oberhofen, Switzerland, with all parties trying to avoid a confrontation.

Soccer

European soccer authorities Nov. 15 will rule on the conduct of Marco Van Basten, the AC Milan star and one of the world's best players. He broke an opponent's jaw during the European Champions Cup, and on Oct. 17 punched a player, breaking his tooth.

Tennis

Goran Ivanisevic withdrew from his quarterfinal against Jakob Hlasek in a $300,000 tournament in London. Ivanisevic has been taking antibiotics all week. The Yugoslav is now unable to collect enough computer points to qualify for next week's $2 million ATP Finals in Frankfurt, Germany. ... Boris Becker, who injured his thigh in last Sunday's Paris Open, is unsure if he can play in the Frankfurt event, which begins Tuesday. This is his last chance to overtake Sweden's Stefan Edberg for the No. 1 ranking.

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#90313u1509 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

WICHITA, Kan. (NOV. 9) UPI - Learjet Inc. said Friday Singapore Airlines Ltd. planned to buy two advanced Learjet 31s in a transaction totaling $14 million.

The Learjet 31s are scheduled for delivery late next year.

Singapore Airlines would use the aircraft for training its cadet pilots and first officers.

With the advanced trainer aircraft, cadet pilots would be introduced to the handling characteristics of a jet aircraft and the cockpit environment of a large commercial jet, Learjet said. The advanced trainer also would reduce the time for a first officer to meet the airline's qualifying command criteria.

Singapore Airlines said the Learjet purchase is part of its continuing investment in training and development of its staff.

''Singapore Airlines is the first major airline to purchase the Learjet 31 for airline training,'' said Robert C. Williams, Learjet senior vice president of marketing. ''With SIA's international route system and its prestige in world airline operations, the training mission using light business jets is a

progressive and economical move that opens a potential market that could be substantial.''

Williams said the Singapore Airlines contract is a ''major step for Learjet and is a strong vote of confidence in the strength and endurance of the Model 31. We believe it will result in other airlines taking a close look at the 31 for their training missions.''

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#90313u1512 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	67	up 1 1-2
AT&T Company	33	off 1-8
BCE Inc	33 1-2	up 3-8
Bell Atlantic	52 7-8	up 1 3-8
BellSouth Corp	53 3-4	up 1-2
Exxon Corp	50 3-8	up 1 1-8
Ford Motor Co	27 1-2	up 1
Genl Electric	53 3-4	up 2
General Motors	37 1-2	up 1
GTE Corp	28 7-8	up 3-8
IBM Corp	110 1-4	up 2 3-4
Mobil Oil Corp	59 5-8	up 1 1-4
Nynex Corp	71 1-8	up 1
Pac Gas & Elec	24 1-2	up 1-4
Pacific Telesis	45 5-8	up 5-8
Phila Electric	16 7-8	up 5-8
Sears Roebuck	25 7-8	up 7-8
Southern Co	26 1-2	up 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	53 5-8	off 5-8
US West Inc	38	up 1 1-2

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#90313u1520 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Nestle SA said Friday it will form a new company, Nestle USA Inc., to operate all of its food and beverage companies in the United States, where it expects more than $7 billion in annual sales.

James Biggar will be chairman and Timm Crull will be president and chief executive officer of the new company, planned to begin operations Jan. 1.

The new company was exected to include Carnation Company, The Nestle Foods Group of Companies, Nestle/Hills Coffee Company, Stouffer Foods Corp., L.J. Minor Corp., Sunmark Inc., Wine World Estates, Nestle Food Service Company,

Nestle Puerto Rico Inc., FreshNes Food Corp., and the Nestle Hospitality Group including Stouffer Hotels and Restaurants.

Helmut Maucher, chairman and CEO of parent firm Nestle SA, headquartered in Vevey, Switzerland, said, ''This move will permit us to improve on customer service and focus on key product categories with a simplified business structure.

''Until now the business units acquired over the past several years have been managed along historical lines. Communication lines will be shorter in the new structure and synergies will be possible in many areas.''

Biggar, chairman and chief executive officer of Nestle Enterprises, Inc., began his career with Stouffer Foods in 1960 and became president and CEO of the Stouffer Corporation in 1972.

Biggar assumed management responsibility in 1982 for Nestle Enterprises, Inc. Timm Crull, chairman and CEO of Carnation Company, joined Carnation in 1955, became vice president in 1967 and a member of the board of directors in 1972. He was elected president of Carnation Company in 1983, CEO in 1985 and chairman this year.

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#90313u1528 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 2 points higher to 80 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	73.10	73.50	72.91	73.07	73.87
Mar	73.30	73.80	73.30	73.37	74.05
May	74.00	74.35	74.00	74.00	74.68
Jly	74.40	74.60	74.25	74.25	74.70
Oct	67.85	....	....	67.90	67.88
Dec	65.75	66.00	65.60	65.62	65.93
Mar	66.00	....	....	66.45	66.85

Estimated sales: 4,200 contracts
Open interest: 45,144 off 943
The World spot average: 69.12

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#90313u1532 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus 2488.61 up 44.80
20 Trans 833.39 up 5.73

15 Utils	210.32	up	1.19
65 Stocks	872.27	up	11.25

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#90313u1535 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2488.61	up	44.80	833.39	up	5.73	210.32	up	1.19
Thursday	2443.81	up	2.97	827.66	up	5.18	209.13	up	0.06
Week ago	2490.84	up	35.89	842.46	up	10.54	215.92	up	0.31
Month ago	2398.02	up	32.92	829.70	up	5.747	205.86	up	3.90
Year ago	2625.61	up	21.92	1203.41	up	11.02	220.95	up	1.45
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90313u1548 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 9) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.45 3/4-2.55 3/4 off 3 1/2.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.58 3/4- 5.68 3/4 off 13 3/4 to 16 1/2.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.16-2.31 off 5 to 2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.33-2.35 1/2 off 3 to 2.

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#90313u1557 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks	-	145,160,000 shares
1990 to date	-	34,473,521,712
Warrants	-	1,488,400
1990 to date	-	221,812,100

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#90313u1558 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks - 10,680,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,948,214,015
Bonds - $5,890,000
1990 to date - $638,413,000

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#90313u1560 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	171.17	up	3.03
ASE Market Value Index	291.03	up	1.96
Dow-Jones Industrial	2488.61	up	44.80

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#90313u1561 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

BUENOS AIRES (NOV. 9) UPI - Bell Atlantic Corp. Friday sought a role in Argentina's phone system, despite the sale of the concern one day earlier to two rival European groups.

''We are holding discussions with the government,'' said Walter Burmaister, vice president for international operations of Bell Atlantic, the telephone company based in Philadephia.

In a telephone interview with United Press International he said there were ''a lot of irregulatiries'' in the sale of the company to two European consortiums, one led by Telefonica de Espana and the other led by Stet of Italy and France Telecom.

He said legal action by Bell Atlantic ''was a possibility.''

President Carlos Menem Thursday night signed the documents transferring the state-owned Entel to the two European groups.

The northern half of the company, to be run by the Italian-French group, will be renamed Telecom Argentina, while the southern half, belonging to the Spainish company, was Friday renamed Telefonica Argentina.

Burmaister did not give the details of the alleged irregularities, but newspapers have quoted Bell Atlantic documents complaining that it was not given enough time to make good its offer to buy the northern half of Entel.

Bell Atlantic, backed by Manufacturers Hanover Trust, won the original bid to operate the northern half of Entel, but it failed to meet an Oct. 4 deadline to confirm it had the financial resources to make good its bid. On that same date Telefonica of Spain gave a firm commitment to meet its stated bid offer and the Franco-Italian gorup offered to replace Bell Atlantic.

President Menem subsequently awarded the bid to the Stet-France Telecom group, the runner-up in biddings, although there were contract modifications after the Oct. 4 deadline and the transfer of ownership date was put back to Nov. 8.

Bell Atlantic now argues it could have made good its purchase if it was given the same time and contract conditions as Stet-France Telecom.

Government officials have up to now ruled out Bell Atlantic as one of the two major operators of the telephone system, but, according to Burmaister, there may yet be a role for the company in the new setup.

''We have a saying in the United States: it's not over until the fat lady sings,'' he said.

Stet-France Telecom and Telefonica of Spain are paying $600 million in cash and $5 billion in Argentine foreign debt paper for the phone system.

Jose Martin de Bustamante, a Spaniard who is now chief of Telefonica Argentina said in a news conference Friday that his company plans to invest $400 million a year in new lines and equipment and set a priority on enabling subscribers to direct-dial long distance to any area of Argentina from lines where they now have to go through the operators.

Asked about a possible legal challenge by Bell Atlantic to the sale of Entel, Martin de Bustamante replied, ''They haven't said anything to us about it.''

He said there were now 10,000 subscribers in the southern Buenos Aires suburb of Avellaneda who could not call long distance within Argentina without going through an operator. He said providing them long distance domestic service would be ''a priority.''

Martin de Bustamante said that the installation of a phone in Argentina will cost $1,500 compared to $230 in Spain.

Officials of Telefonica de Argentina later told reporters the high costs were due to inefficiencies within the system.

Presently it is virtually impossible to get a new phone installation in Buenos Aires at a private home through legal means.

A phone installation on the black market in Buenos Aires costs from $2,500 to $4,000.

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#90313u1564 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 291.03, low 288.82, close 291.03, up 1.96.

There was a gain of 6 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,680,000 shares, compared with 9, 460,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	6
New Lows	53
Advances	322
Declines	215
Unchanged	255
Total Issues	792

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#90313u1566 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

FRANKFURT, Germany (NOV. 9) UPI - Former Chancellor Willy Brandt returned Friday night from a controversial visit to Baghdad with almost 200 freed hostages who were released after Brandt met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Emotional scenes marked the return of the hostages, as relatives standing on the tarmac cheered and waved, hugged released family members and cried.

Brandt chatted briefly with all the released hostages as they stepped off the aircraft to be reunited with families and friends.

Two U.S. citizens were among the group that landed at Frankfurt airport in a Lufthansa Airbus, in which Brandt had flown to Iraq Monday for what was termed a private humanitarian mission.

The released hostages also included 120 Germans, 20 Italians, 10 Dutch, 12 Britons and 10 other nationals.

About 300 friends and relatives were waiting at the airport to greet the freed hostages.

Before leaving the Iraqi capital, Brandt said he was disappointed he could not achieve the release of more hostages during his two meetings with Saddam.

Foreign ministry officials in Bonn said 42 of the released Germans, five Britons and the two Americans had been held at strategic military installations as ''human shields'' against possible attacks by the multinational force deployed in the Gulf.

The group of released hostages also included the German ambassadors to Kuwait and his former East German counterpart, who were taken to Baghdad by Iraqi forces about one month ago when their embassies closed down after they ran out

of basic supplies.

Brandt, president of the Socialist International and former Nobel Peace Prize winner, met Saddam Wednesday and Thursday for talks, which he said focused mainly on the search for a peaceful solution of the Persian Gulf crisis.

In interviews following the meetings, Brandt said that the outlook on a peaceful solution to the stalemate was grim and that tensions were ''extremely high'' in the Middle East.

The U.S. and the British governments had sharply condemned Brandt's initiative claiming that it helped Saddam improve his international image.

Several European governments also criticized Brandt, saying that his visit was a breach of an European Community agreement to discourage private initiatives in the gulf.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	291.03	up 1.96
High Technology	294.26	up 3.97
Capital Goods	304.32	up 0.53
Consumer Goods	363.88	up 3.13
Service	639.74	up 14.16
Retail	898.90	up 17.08
Financial	344.17	off 0.93
Natural Resources	220.93	off 0.99
Housing-Const-Land	218.59	up 2.86

There was a gain of 6 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	379.06	up 4.76
Mid Atlantic	383.98	up 2.86
No Central	374.55	up 7.04
So Atlantic	808.23	up 13.26
So Central	293.43	up 1.56
Mountain	105.01	off 0.99
Pacific	324.96	up 4.00
Foreign	216.79	off 0.75

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#90313u1599 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 9) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Friday	-	8,409,000
1990 to date	-	2,156,848,000

The market closed higher.

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#90313u1601 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Friday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	61,632,924	35 1/2	up 1
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	35,803,320	64 3/4	up 1 1/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	30,917,832	30 7/8	up 1
Intel Corp	(INTC)	30,038,198	36	up 3/4
GeneticIn	(GENI)	18,667,014	32 3/4	up 1
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	17,852,492	49	up 1
Tele Commun A	(TCOMA)	16,166,787	10 7/8	up 5/8
St Jude Medcl	(STJM)	15,948,679	30 1/2	up 1 1/4
Autodesk Inc	(ACAD)	15,829,827	43 1/2	up 2
Cisco Systms	(CSCO)	15,192,888	35 1/4	up 1 3/8

Composite Index 150.23 up 2.56
NMS volume 87,824,400 shares.

Advances	937
Declines	565
Unchanged	1,290
Total	2,792

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#90313u1616 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 9) UPI - The water supply in half the Latvian capital of Riga has been shut off because of a toxic chemical released into a river by a defense factory in neighboring Byelorussia, Latvian television said Friday.

The television station said that potassium cyancide was released into the Western Dvina River from a military plant in Tolotsk, Byelorussia, and many tons of pike and other fish had died.

The Western Dvina, or Daugava River, runs from the city of Tolotsk through Riga and empties into the Bay of Riga. The Western Dvina feeds several reservoirs that supply about half the water supply for Riga's 900,000 people.

Potassium cyanide is an extremely poisonous compound used in insecticides and metallurgy.

On Thursday the water supply had been turned off and then turned on again in Riga, but as of Friday, the water taps had been turned off in about half the

city, the television said.

Tests were being conducted every half hour to monitor the state of the water, the television said. It said experts believe the chemical will eventually wash out into the Baltic Sea via the Bay of Riga.

The Soviet Union has been beset by pollution problems, including problems with the Aral and Caspian seas, Lake Baikal and many of the major rivers in the country, including the famed Volga.

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#90313u1627 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2453.47	2500.74	2438.61	2488.61	up 44.80
20 Trans	829.88	838.20	821.01	833.39	up 5.73
15 Utils	209.38	211.39	207.81	210.32	up 1.19
65 Stock	863.70	879.75	857.22	872.27	up 11.25

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	18,739,300	18,610,000
Trans	2,273,000	2,186,000
Utils	3,076,800	5,382,400
65 Stock	24,089,100	26,178,400

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.30	off 0.04
10 Public Utils	91.40	off 0.18
10 Industrials	87.21	up 0.10

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 127.34 off 0.79.

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#90313u1633 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
IBM Corp	2,274,200	110 1/4	up 2 3/4
AT&T Co	2,090,900	33	off 1/8
Citicorp	2,010,800	12 1/4	up 1/8
Duke Power	1,944,200	30 3/8	up 1/4

SmthB eq	1,906,100	47 1/2	up 1 5/8
Boeing Co	1,766,700	44 7/8	up 7/8
Genl Electric	1,570,600	53 3/4	up 2
BankAmer Inc	1,515,000	22 1/4	up 1 1/4
Sthwstrn Pub Sv	1,451,500	28 3/4	up 3/8
Philip Morris	1,370,600	48 3/4	up 3/4
PepsiCo	1,329,100	24 3/8	up 1/2
Browing Ferris	1,303,100	22 3/8	unch
Texas Utilities	1,223,300	37 1/4	up 5/8
Wal-Mart Stores	1,178,200	28 1/8	up 5/8
First Chicago	1,144,900	15	up 1

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#90313u1637 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Imperial Oil A	1,113,200	52 1/8	off 3/8
Salomon wt93Jan	553,900	18 5/8	off 7/8
Contl Air Hldgs	464,300	2 5/8	up 3/8
Western Digital	388,700	4 5/8	unch
Energy Service	362,300	2 3/8	off 1/8
Metro Mobile A	329,400	9 7/8	up 3/4
Metro Mobile B	307,900	9 3/4	up 5/8
Foundation Hlth	254,700	10 1/8	up 1/8
Amdahl Corp	242,000	12 3/8	up 1/4
PW Group wtB	177,400	9 3/8	off 1/2

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#90313u1641 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended November 9:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2488.37	2519.06	2415.84	2488.61	off 2.23
20 Trans	844.49	859.28	821.01	833.39	off 9.07
15 Utils	215.29	216.30	206.43	210.32	off 5.60
65 Stocks	878.99	889.71	852.06	872.27	off 7.16

20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

89.23 89.36 89.23 89.30 up 0.24

Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

127.02 128.13 127.02 127.34 off 0.49

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#90313u1643 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended November 9.

	30 Indus			20 Transp			15 Utils		
Monday	2502.23	up	11.39	850.59	up	8.13	214.66	off	1.26
Tuesday	2485.15	off	17.08	844.12	off	6.47	213.09	off	1.57
Wednesday	2440.84	off	44.31	832.84	off	11.28	209.07	off	4.02
Thursday	2443.81	up	2.97	827.66	up	5.18	209.13	up	0.06
Friday	2488.61	up	44.80	833.39	up	5.73	210.32	up	1.19
Net Change		off	2.23		off	9.07		off	5.60

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#90313u1648 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - The dollar lost ground across the board Friday after failing to obtain its usual end-of-the-week lift from currency players typically purchasing the U.S. unit on the chance Persian Gulf fighting might break out over the weekend.

Foreign-exchange traders said that was partly because the dollar could not sustain the relatively strong levels attained Thursday on a round of very tough talk about the Mideast situation from President Bush and other leaders.

The dollar's decline before the long Veterans' Day weekend pointed to further losses when full trading resumes Tuesday, particularly as it got no real lift from data on U.S. inflation at the wholesale level that should have been bullish for the currency, they said.

In a report released Friday morning, the Labor Department said the producer price index, a gauge of inflation back in the pipeline to the consumer, rose 1.1 percent last month. Most economists had expected the index, despite costlier oil, to rise just 0.7 percent.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.4870 German marks, down from 1.4910 Thursday; and at 129.60 Japanese yen, down from 130.18.

Janice Bellone, a senior New York deutsche mark dealer with Bayerische Hypotheken-und Wechsel Bank, said she believed the dollar's pre-weekend slip in the face of war fears boded further losses.

''If the threat of war doesn't bring the dollar up, this thing looks like it's

going to 1.40 (marks to the dollar) now,'' she said.

In Los Angeles, Richard Pontius, First Interstate Bank assistant vice president and corporate adviser, said the dollar ''ran into some natural selling interest'' after rallying Thursday on Persian Gulf tensions.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2495 Swiss francs, off from 1.2505; 4.9930 French francs, off from 5.0025; and 1,118 Italian lire, off from 1,121.25.

The British pound inched up to $1.9655 from $1.9650.

In European trading, the dollar lost ground as U.S. economic indicators fed speculation the Federal Reserve will lower interest rates again.

Early on, the dollar gained on Mideast war fears, but both the prospect of falling U.S. rates and profit-taking shoved it lower.

Alan Chase, National Westminster Bank's strategic dealing chief, said any gains the dollar would register on an actual breakout of war would not be sustained.

''The first reaction to any advent of war is massive buying of dollars,'' Chase said, But he cautioned: ''It's going to be short- lived.''

The dollar declined in Frankfurt, to 1.4895 marks vs. 1.4910 Thursday, and in Zurich, to 1.2505 Swiss francs vs. 1.2520.

In London, the pound closed slightly higher at $1.9670 vs. $1.9665. The pound was stable despite continuing turmoil in the ruling Conservative Party, which suffered defeat in two parliamentary by- elections this week, analysts said.

The dollar also lost ground in Paris, Brussels and Milan, closed at, respectively: 5.0105 French francs vs. 5.0180, 30.65 Belgian francs vs. 30.70, and 1,122 Italian lire vs. 1,123.25.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar gained against the yen on fears of a war in the Middle East and soaring oil prices. The dollar closed at 130.50 yen, up from Thursday's close of 129.50.

''People don't want to hold the yen over the long weekend in this situation,'' said Juichi Ito, a customer dealer at Daiwa Bank.

The Japanese markets will be closed Monday for a national holiday.

In Zurich, gold declined to $386 an ounce from $386.50 Thursday. London gold slipped to $385 an ounce from $386.

Silver closed unchanged in Zurich at $4.25 an ounce but was lower in London at

$4.25 an ounce vs. $4.26.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $385 an ounce, down from $387.50 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $384.80 an ounce, down from $387.30.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.24 an ounce, down from $4.28. Comex silver ended at $4.237 an ounce, a decline from $4.277.

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#90313u1651 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) UPI - Iraq may be able to import only 500,000 metric tons of grain because of the international embargo - half the amount projected one month ago, the government said Friday.

The new estimate was the latest sign of the impact of the embargo that was approved by the United States following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Before the invasion, the Agriculture Department had estimated Iraq would buy 5.13 million tons of wheat, feed grains, rice and soybean meal in the current 12-month period.

''Forecasts of Iraqi imports are further reduced in line with the continuing evaluation of the U.N.-sponsored embargo on trade with Iraq,'' the department said in announcing the changes.

During the 1989-1990 trading year, Iraq bought 5.2 million tons of wheat, feed grains, rice and soybean meal.

In its new estimate, the World Agricultural Outlook Board said it expected Iraq to get 300,000 tons of wheat and 200,000 tons of rice. It indicated the rice would be obtained during 1991 while some of the wheat may have been shipped before the embargo.

In October, the estimate of grain shipments was $1.05 million tons, including 600,000 tons of wheat, 150,000 tons of feed grains, 300,000 tons of rice and 10,000 tons of soybean meal. The new estimate assumed no soybean meal or feed grains would penetrate the embargo.

Iraq in the past was heavily dependent on imported grain, vegtable oil, meat and sugar. It grew only a quarter of the rice it consumed, for example. The government has announced steps to ecourage larger domestic production.

In late September, a Library of Congress report said Iraq was likely to see severe food shortges by the end of the year, which would make food rationing and smuggling ''vital elements'' in coping with the next few months.

The report also said Iraqis could adjust their diets by replacing imported

rice with potatoes, making bread out of barley instead of wheat and substituting locally caught fish for the livestock that has been produced with the aid of imported grain.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	221.50	224.90	220.50	224.90	220.50
Mar	227.00	227.20	226.70	227.05	222.60
Jun	....	....	....	231.65	224.90

Previous day volume: 104 contracts.

Open interest: 1,269 up 23

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	311.80	316.40	310.15	315.55	309.80
Mar	314.55	318.80	312.80	318.20	312.35
Jun	318.45	321.70	318.45	321.25	315.25
Sep	....	324.70	319.20	324.00	318.15

Today's estimated volume: 47,260 contracts.

Open interest: 159,459 up 1,770

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	169.80	172.55	169.00	172.25	168.90
Mar	171.20	173.60	171.00	173.50	170.10
Jun	172.25	174.25	172.25	174.75	171.35

Open interest: 5,341 off 352

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	517.00	527.70	516.50	527.00	515.75
Dec	521.20	529.60	520.50	529.25	517.75
Jan	524.15	531.50	524.15	531.20	519.75

Estimated volume 5,190 contracts.

Open interest: 7,717 off 156

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#90313u1674 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended November 9, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Browing Ferris	11,231,400	30 1/4	21 5/8	22 1/2	off 6 1/2
C&S Sovran	9,837,300	17	14 7/8	16 3/4	up 7/8
Panhandle	x9,461,000	11 1/2	10 3/8	10 3/4	unch
Citicorp	9,147,800	13 1/8	11 1/2	12 1/4	off 3/8
Philip Morris	9,110,900	49 1/2	47 1/2	48 3/4	up 2 7/8
SmthklneB eq	8,816,300	51 3/4	45 3/8	47 1/2	off 2 1/8
Waste Managemnt	8,603,800	35 1/4	31 1/8	33 1/8	up 1/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	8,151,600	30 3/4	29 1/8	30 1/2	up 2 1/4
IBM Corp	8,096,400	110 1/4	106 1/4	110 1/4	up 4 1/4
AT&T Co	7,327,100	35 1/4	32	33	off 3/8
BankAmer Corp	7,227,700	22 1/4	20 1/2	22 1/4	up 1 7/8
Genl Electric	6,731,400	54 1/4	51 1/4	53 3/4	up 3/4
Alcan Aluminum	6,180,700	18 5/8	16 5/8	17 1/4	off 2 1/8
PepsiCo	5,988,200	25 1/8	23 1/2	24 3/8	up 3/8
Boeing Co	x5,856,100	46 1/2	43	44 7/8	off 1 1/8
Ford Motor	5,586,900	27 3/4	26 1/4	27 3/8	up 1/2
Eastmn Kodak	5,338,100	41 1/4	38 1/8	40 3/4	unch
Amer Express	5,295,000	20 3/8	18 3/4	19 5/8	off 1/8
Texas Utilities	5,214,900	38 7/8	36 3/8	37 1/4	off 1/2
Wal-Mart Stores	5,155,300	28 5/8	26 5/8	28 1/8	up 3/8

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#90313u1678 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	341.95	up	5.58	336.45	456.19
Industrial	365.08	up	5.70	359.28	443.18
Finance	336.31	up	3.82	332.00	531.57
Insurance	409.67	up	5.43	397.05	547.16
Utility	468.37	up	15.38	457.34	728.20
Bank	242.80	up	1.92	237.59	430.51
Transport	379.76	up	3.78	383.07	473.74

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 150.23 up 2.56

Industrial Index 144.84 up 2.38

NASDAQ-100 Index 364.48 up 9.07

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#90313u1682 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Friday 364.48 up 9.07.

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#90313u1704 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 9) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6025	up 140
Amer Home pf	435 3/4	up 27 3/8
Captl Cities	389 3/4	up 9 3/4
Ogden pf	100	up 7
Pitney pf	137	up 7
Wash Post	173 1/2	up 5
CBS Corp	164 1/2	up 4 3/4
Ralston Purina	96 5/8	up 3 5/8
Citicorp pf	46	up 3 1/8
Loews Corp	87 1/2	up 3

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#90313u1707 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended November 9:

High	Low	Last	Net change
292.34	288.50	291.03	up 1.05

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#90313u1718 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	359.72	213.53	140.72	20.65	307.61
Opening	361.77	214.51	141.32	20.86	309.39
11 a.m.	362.36	214.08	141.10	20.80	309.66
Noon	363.58	214.44	141.25	20.90	310.61
1 p.m.	364.71	214.43	141.63	20.96	311.55
2 p.m.	365.23	215.14	141.75	20.97	311.95
3 p.m.	366.48	215.61	142.30	21.13	313.13

Close	367.11	216.35	142.72	21.19	313.74
Change	up 7.39	up 2.82	up 2.00	up 0.54	up 6.13

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#90313u1719 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

FULTON, MO (NOV. 9) UPI - Former President Ronald Reagan paid a visit Friday to the site of Winston Churchill's famed ''Iron Curtain'' speech on the first anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall to dedicate a monument sculpted from the wall by Churchill's granddaughter.

Under sunny skies, Reagan spoke about the changes in Europe since Churchill's 1946 speech, focusing on the fall of communism and its most famous symbol, the Berlin Wall.

''Today, we rejoice in the demise of the Berlin Wall that was permanently breached just one year ago,'' Reagan told a crowd of about 5,000 people, many of them students at Westminster College.

The college was the site of Churchill's ''Sinews of Peace'' address, in which he coined the phrase ''Iron Curtain'' to describe the emerging Communist bloc.

Churchill's granddaughter, artist Edwina Sandys, used eight concrete sections of the Berlin Wall to make up the 11-foot-by-32-foot monument called ''Breakthrough.'' Sandys went to East Germany shortly after the wall was opened and persuaded the government to donate the wall sections for the sculpture.

Flanked by the U.S., German and British flags, and with a statue of Churchill looking out over the crowd, Reagan praised the British statesman's vision.

''Out of one man's speech was born a new Western resolve,'' Reagan said, ''not warlike, not bellicose, not expansionist - but firm and principled in resisting those who would devour territory and put the soul itself into bondage.''

The former president praised the work of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in helping to break down the barriers between East and West.

''Last month, Germany itself was reunited in the shadow of the Brandenburg Gate, and under the democratic umbrella of NATO,'' Reagan said.

Reagan reminded the crowd he had gone to Berlin in June 1987 and called on Gorbachev to ''tear down this wall.''

''Was he listening? Whether he was or not, neither he nor the rulers of Eastern Europe could ignore the much louder chants of demonstrators in the streets of Leipzig and Dresden and dozens of other German cities, '' he said.

Prior to his address, Reagan was awarded an honorary degree of doctor of laws by the college.

Before Reagan spoke, Sandys told the crowd the story of how she conceived and created the sculpture.

''A year ago, like everyone else in the world, I was glued to the television screen watching the Berlin Wall fall,'' she said. ''I thought wouldn't it be wonderful to make a sculpture out of the Berlin Wall and wouldn't it be wonderful to bring it to Fulton.''

Sandys cut the gigantic figures of a man and woman in eight concrete sections of the wall, representing the breakthrough of freedom.

The side facing the crowd had been on the West Berlin side and was painted with brightly colored graffiti. The side that had faced East Berlin remained blank.

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#90313u1721 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	29.30-29.40	30.20-30.30
North Sea Brent	34.55-34.65	35.95-36.05
West Texas Intermed	33.85-33.95	35.50-35.60
Light Louisiana Sweet	34.90-35.00	36.40-36.60
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	94.75-95.25	97.50-98.00
No. 2 Heating oil	88.85-89.10	92.70-92.95
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	87.50-87.75	91.00-91.50
No. 2 Heating oil	87.25-87.50	91.20-91.40

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#90313u1729 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) - Largest net changes amoung NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended November 9, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.

Heinz pf	280	up 279 13-16
Berkshire Hth	6025	up 150
Fedl Paper pfB	105 5/8	up 104 3/8
Kubota Corp	106 1/2	up 102 7/8
Tambrands Inc	85 1/4	up 80
Hitachi Ltd	86 7/8	up 79 5/8
CPC Intl	78 7/8	up 76 5/8
Firstar Cp pf	75	up 71 7/8
Cap Hl pfF	69	up 68 7/8
Sonatek pf	51 7/8	up 51 1/4
Tenneco Inc	44 1/2	off 50 3/4
Rhone Poulenc	66 1/8	up 47 3/4
Sea Containers	38 3/8	up 36 3/8
Source Captl	36 1/2	up 36 1/8
Tribune Co	35 3/4	up 35 3/8

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#90313u1743 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Friday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	113,554,500
Advances	1,095
Declines	721
Unchanged	2,404
Total	4,220

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#90313u1754 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	341.95	336.36	341.95	up 5.58
Industrial	365.08	360.71	365.08	up 5.70
Finance	336.64	332.71	336.31	up 3.82
Insurance	410.76	404.41	409.67	up 5.43
Utility	470.24	455.98	468.37	up 15.38
Bank	243.29	240.74	242.80	up 1.92
Transport	380.55	375.97	379.76	up 3.78

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	150.23	up 2.56
Industrial Index	144.84	up 2.38

NASDAQ-100 Index	364.48	up 9.07
(largest non-fin'cl)		
Average price per share	7.78	up 0.13
Volume	87,824,400	shares
Advances	937	
Declines	565	
Unchanged	1,290	
Total	2,792	

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#90313u1755 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (NOV. 9) UPI - Campeau Corp. said Friday it appointed as chief executive officer and president Stanley H. Hartt, a lawyer and former aide to Prime Minister Brian Mulroney.

A company statement said the corporation's board of directors will likely appoint Hartt a director and chairman of the board at its next meeting, the date of which was not announced.

Hartt replaces interim chief executive officers James D. Raymond and Gary M. Goodman, who continue to serve as directors of the corporation. They were appointed on an interim basis to the office of the chief executive on Aug. 10, 1990.

Hartt, 52, has served as Prime Minister Brian Mulroney's chief of staff and as a deputy Canadian finance minister. He is currently a partner in the law firm Stikeman Elliott. He will move to Toronto in his new job.

Campeau Corp.'s business plan was stalled July 30 when then-chairman Robert Campeau decided not to seek approval from shareholders to sell most or all of the company's Canadian real estate assets.

Two weeks later, Robert Campeau was removed as chairman and chief executive officer. Robert Despres was appointed interim chairman and a two-member office of chief executive was established.

Shareholders have yet to be asked to approve a resolution that would allow the business plan's real estate asset disposal program to proceed. Robert Campeau remains a leading shareholder and a director of the company he founded more than four decades ago.

One of Campeau's largest creditors, Edward J. DeBartolo Corp. of Youngstown, Ohio, recently decided not to renew a notice arrangement with Campeau. Campeau said DeBartolo would no longer have to give the company nine days notice before taking action to collect on a $480 million loan to Campeau that is in default.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended November 9:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	171.49	167.30	171.17	up 1.10
Industrial	211.96	206.35	211.35	up 1.31
Transportation	131.73	129.33	130.46	up 0.07
Utilities	90.52	88.62	90.18	off 0.45
Finance	111.91	109.14	111.91	up 3.01

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#90313u1763 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 9) UPI - Notre Dame is No. 1 but Tennessee is favored entering their Saturday game that will help determine the national title.

The No. 8 Volunteers are slight favorites because of the home field and Notre Dame's first-half struggles in a victory over Navy last week.

''I would have to say we're an underdog,'' said Fighting Irish Coach Lou Holtz who would always like to see his team the underdog. ''For us to win the game would be an upset. We will learn something about ourselves.''

Those who vote for the national championship will learn a lot, too. Notre Dame takes a 7-1 record in against Tennessee, and the Irish could be heading for an Orange Bowl showdown with No. 3 Colorado if they get past the Volunteers. Tennessee, 5-1-2, has its eye on the Sugar and Fiesta Bowls.

''It will be the game,'' Tennessee running back Roland Poles said. ''If we beat Notre Dame, it's got to help us in the polls and the bowls.''

Coach Johnny Majors' Volunteers have not lost a November game in six years. But Notre Dame has some history of its own, including three national titles, seven Heisman Trophy winners and 89 All-Americans since 1926. The Irish have won 76 percent of their games in 101 years of playing football. That percentage is the best in the nation.

If the Irish falter Saturday, No. 2 Washington will look to take over the top spot with a victory at home over UCLA. Washington, 8-1, has already clinched a Rose Bowl trip.

The Huskies are led by quarterback Mark Brunell, who has 1,847 yards of total offense, and running back Greg Lewis averages 136.5 yards per game. Washington

has outscored opponents 263-64.

''It's a good group of guys who prepared well and hung in there week after week and put up some numbers that are absolutely incredible,'' Huskies Coach Don James said. ''Only the old Oklahoma and Nebraska teams used to win this way. I think we're in real good position (to win the national championship.)''

UCLA is struggling at 4-5.

No. 3 Colorado can seal the Big Eight crown and automatic Orange Bowl berth by defeating Oklahoma State Saturday at Boulder, Colo. No. 5 Iowa can clinch the Big Ten title with a home victory over co-No. 24 Ohio State, and No. 6 Brigham Young can seal the Western Athletic Conference and Holiday Bowl trip with a victory at No. 21 Wyoming.

No. 6 Georgia Tech plays home against Virginia Tech, No. 9 Virginia plays at North Carolina and No. 10 Nebraska plays at Kansas.

Elsewhere, it's Cincinnati at No. 11 Florida State, Houston at No. 12 Texas, No. 13 Auburn at Southern Miss, No. 15 Illinois at No. 17 Michigan, No. 18 Oregon at California, Maryland at No. 19 Penn State, Boston College at No. 20 Louisville, Pacific at No. 23 Fresno State and Stanford at co-No. 24 Arizona.

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#90313u1764 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 10) UPI - While part of the mission of the New York Giants and San Francisco 49ers is keeping their minds off each other until they meet in three weeks, the two AFC teams with one loss keep an eye on each other.

The Miami Dolphins and Buffalo Bills play again Dec. 23 in Buffalo. They are tied for the AFC East lead with 7-1 records, and the Dolphins won their earlier meeting in Miami.

''We control our own destiny,'' Bills defensive end Bruce Smith said. ''Miami has to come up here and play. So if we screw it up, it's our fault. But I don't see us screwing it up.''

The Bills have won six straight and the Dolphins five. Buffalo plays home against Phoenix Sunday and the Dolphins are on the road against the New York Jets.

The Dolphins are favored by a field goal against the 4-5 Jets; the Bills are two-touchdown favorites over the 2-5 Cardinals.

''The team has, to this point, kept very good perspective,'' Bills Coach Marv Levy said. ''And I think it has been a more opportunistic team than in the past.''

The coaches of the underdogs sound the same about their chances.

''We'll show up and play 'em just like everyone else but we'll have to play well to contend with them,'' Jets Coach Bruce Coslet said.

From Phoenix Coach Joe Bugel: ''We have to play mistake-free football to even challenge.''

The Miami defense, 24th in the NFL last year, comes to East Rutherford, N.J., ranked No. 1 in the NFL. The unit has not allowed an offensive touchdown in eight quarters or a rushing TD in 20 quarters. The Dolphins offense leads the AFC in time of possession, averaging 32:19.

''We feel we're making strides with a better balanced offense and stronger defense,'' Miami Coach Don Shula said.

An 8-1 start would mark Miami's best start since it went 9-0 in 1984 and give the Dolphins as many victories as they had all of last year.

The Jets have won two straight for the first time this season and a third would put them at .500 and into contention for an AFC wild card spot.

The Cardinals face their fourth straight opponent with no more than one loss. They dropped a last-play 20-19 decision to the unbeaten New York Giants three weeks ago, fell to the 7-1 Chicago Bears 31-21, and were crushed 23-3 by the Dolphins last week.

''We've had to grow up real fast because it's kind of been like Murderers Row '' Bugel said. ''It's going to be another real big, big challenge for our young football team.''

In other games, Atlanta is at Chicago, Indianapolis at New England, Minnesota at Detroit, Seattle at Kansas City, Tampa Bay at New Orleans, the New York Giants at the Los Angeles Rams, Denver at San Diego, Green Bay at LA Raiders, and San Francisco at Dallas. Monday night, Washington visits Philadelphia.

At Anaheim, Calif., the Giants visit the team that put them out of the playoffs last year with an overtime play that put the Rams into the NFC Championship Game.

''We have a little hatred for these guys because of what they did to us,'' New York wide receiver Stephen Baker said.

The Rams, 3-5, have stumbled since and the 8-0 Giants are off to their best start in the 66 years of the franchise. The playoff loss is New York's only setback in its last 12 games. The Giants also recall last season's visit to Anaheim, when they came to the Big A with a 8-1 record and left 31-10 losers.

In 1988, they were pounded 45-31 by the Rams at the Meadowlands.

''I like to think we owe them one, maybe two,'' nose tackle Erik Howard said. ''We gave it all up against these guys last year. Hopefully, that will give us motivation this time.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Thu	Fri	Thu
Argntn austral	.000191	.000195	5223.00	5135.00
Australia dlr	.7797	.7783	1.2825	1.2849
Austria schill	.0955	.0951	10.47	10.51
Belgium franc-c	.0326	.0326	30.64	30.68
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0091	.0090	109.60	110.58
Britain pound	1.9655	1.9675	.5088	.5083
Britain 1-mo	1.9556	1.9577	.5114	.5108
Britain 3-mo	1.9387	1.9488	.5158	.5131
Britain 6-mo	1.9188	1.9207	.5212	.5206
Canada dollar	.8565	.8558	1.1675	1.1685
Canada 1-mo	.8535	.8528	1.1716	1.1726
Canada 3-mo	.8480	.8471	1.1793	1.1805
Canada 6-mo	.8408	.8398	1.1894	1.1907
Chile peso-f	.003286	.003292	304.36	303.73
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001871	.001875	534.58	533.34
Denmark krne	.1758	.1751	5.6895	5.7100
Ecudr sucre-z	.001184	.001184	844.35	844.35
Egypt pound	.3627	.3624	2.7572	2.7592
Finlnd mrkka	.2811	.2807	3.5580	3.5630
France franc	.2002	.2004	4.9950	4.9890
France 1-mo	.1999	.2001	5.0026	4.9967
France 3-mo	.1992	.1990	5.0190	5.0250
France 6-mo	.1982	.1985	5.0448	5.0385
Greece drach	.006630	.006617	150.83	151.12
Hollnd guildr	.5961	.5968	1.6776	1.6755
HongKong dlr	.1282	.1283	7.7975	7.7965
India rupee	.0556	.0556	17.97	17.99
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000539	1856.00	1856.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082

Ireland punt	1.8015	1.7955	0.5551	0.5569
Israel shekel	.5079	.5099	1.9690	1.9610
Italy lira	.000893	.000894	1119.25	1118.00
Japan yen	.007707	.007707	129.75	129.75
Japan 1-mo	.007713	.007707	129.65	129.76
Japan 3-mo	.007725	.007666	129.45	130.45
Japan 6-mo	.007865	.007692	127.15	130.00
Jordan dinar	1.5555	1.5555	.6429	.6429
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000345	.000345	2901.00	2902.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6115	.6103	1.6353	1.6385
Norway krne	.1722	.1718	5.8070	5.8215
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	433,400	428,475
P'pnes peso-z	.0367	.0367	27.22	27.22
Portugl escud	.007663	.007679	130.49	130.79
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5854	.5859	1.7081	1.7068
S.Africa rand	.3967	.3960	2.5211	2.5251
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010672	.010678	93.70	93.65
Sweden krona	.1796	.1794	5.5680	5.5750
Switzrl franc	.8008	.8005	1.2488	1.2492
Switzrl 1-mo	.8006	.8004	1.2490	1.2494
Swirzrl 3-mo	.8001	.7999	1.2498	1.2501
Switzrl 6-mo	.7993	.7990	1.2511	1.2515
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0374	26.77	26.76
Turkey lira	.000365	.000367	2737.00	2725.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0203	.0203	49.20	49.35
Germany mark	.6725	.6727	1.4870	1.4865
Germany 1-mo	.6723	.6725	1.4875	1.4869
Germany 3-mo	.6712	.6715	1.4899	1.4892
Germany 6-mo	.6693	.6697	1.4942	1.4933
Yugosl dinar	.0980	.0976	10.20	10.25

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended November 9 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	147,506,360	133,987,280	1,833,500	870, 600
Tuesday	141,131,718	153,447,330	1,433,400	649, 200
Wednesday	149,138,240	156,061,280	916,700	925,400
Thursday	155,570,400	159,287,670	1,237,100	1, 433,800
Friday	145,162,870	168,691,370	1,488,400	1,577, 900
Total	738,509,588	771,474,930	6,909,100	5,456, 900

Bonds

	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 41,135,000	$ 50,437,000
Tuesday	$ 37,242,000	$ 43,714,000
Wednesday	$ 37,715,000	$ 46,573,000
Thursday	$ 44,668,000	$ 59,918,000
Friday	$ 34,074,000	$ 35,241,000
Total	$194,834,000	$235,883,000

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) UPI - The streets are still empty and the campuses quiet, but opposition to President Bush's move to put the United States on an offensive footing in the Middle East is slowly organizing and building, activists said Friday.

''There is a shift of mood,'' said the Rev. Paul Sherry, president of the United Church of Christ, one of the most liberal mainline Protestant denominations.

Bob Musil of the Professionals Coalition for Nuclear Arms Control, a key cooridinating group for Washington antiwar lobbyists, agreed. Bush's announcement on Thursday that the United States would nearly double its forces in the Persian Gulf ''only confirms our worst fears,'' he said.

The build-up announced by Bush, said Musil, ''is precisely the wrong response to this crisis. This is not Grenada, this is not Panama, this is not Libya. This is serious war.''

And Dennis Doyon of the American Friends Service Committee in Philadelphia reported that his Quaker-based group was getting an increased number of calls from ''plain Americans'' suddenly fearful the nation will be plunged into war.

A number of peace groups and peace-oriented religious bodies were expressing concern about the increasing stridency of the administration rhetoric even

before Thursday's announcement.

On Thursday a group of 21 organizations took out a quarter-page advertisement in The Washington Post declaring ''war is not the answer'' and saying they ''emphatically oppose the United States taking any offensive military action in the current crisis.''

Among the signers of the ad were the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, a Reform Judaism organization; Americans for Democratic Action; SANE/FREEZE; Physcians for Social Responsibilty; Women's International League for Peace and Freedom and a number of religious denominations and agencies.

The American Civil Liberties Union and a number of other organizations are circulating a letter that calls on Congress to ensure that Bush follow constitutional constraints and that there be full congressional hearings before any military action is undertaken.

The Professionals Coalition - seasoned peace lobbyists in Washington - has hired a polling firm to measure public opinion on a host of gulf crisis questions over the coming weekend.

But some groups are ready to take to the streets in an effort to resurrect the mass mobilizations that marked the antiwar protests of the Vietnam era.

The Washington Area Coalition to Stop U.S. Intervention in the Middle East plans a Saturday demonstration in front of the White House under the broad slogan of ''civil rights before oil rights'' and will call for ''the unconditional, immediate and complete withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait'' as well as a ''nonviolent, diplomatic resolution to the conflict.''

Said Sherry, ''Restraint is so critical right now. Patience is so critical right now. But if the build-up continues, restraint will go by the boards, patience will go by the boards. ...

''Our concern is that increasingly we are placing ourselves in a position where war may become inevitable,'' he said.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) UPI - President Bush, preparing for more bad news on the economic front, gathered with top advisers at Camp David Friday to look over the gloomy projections and to prepare for the next State of the Union address.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said that the president anticipated the fourth quarter economic forecast, which will be made public next week, will show a downturn in growth as a result of the Persian Gulf energy crisis. ''It will be a trying time in terms of growth,'' he said.

Fitzwater said that the 1.1 percent jump in wholesale prices was reflective of the energy crunch and jittery financial markets due to fears the gulf crisis may lead to war.

''The GNP (growth national product) will reflect the gulf crisis,'' Fitzwater told reporters.

He said that the president was in the preliminary stage of preparing his annual State of the Union address and the 1992 fiscal year budget. He said that Bush is looking for new incentives and proposals ''to get the economy back on its feet.''

He affirmed that Bush will attempt once more to get a cut in the capital gains tax, which Congress has twice rejected, to provide incentives for business.

The president told a news conference Thursday that the economy was in ''tough times now'' and he would be looking for ways ''to soften the blow.''

In looking over the election results in which voters displayed their disdain of new taxes, Bush vowed that the next time around he would not bend again and new taxes would be enacted over ''my dead veto.''

He acknowledged some regrets in reneging on his campaign pledge ''read my lips-no new taxes'' but said he believed ''it was the right thing to do'' to get the budget deficit reduction package approved.

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WICHITA, KS (NOV. 9) UPI - Boeing Military Airplanes said Friday it received a U.S. Air Force contract that could be worth up to $120 million for continued installation work on KC-135 tankers. The work would continue for up to five more years.

The new contract calls for installation work on 40 tankers in 1991 for $23.5 million. Total installations during the five-year period would range from 166 to 211 tankers, depending on future defense budgets, Boeing said.

The installation work covers numerous structural and aircraft system modifications required to accomodate a particular type of engine, the CFM56, and its gross weight. Modifications include a reinforced wing structure and floor, strengthened main landing gear, deletion of the water injection system, and rearranged cockpit controls and displays.

Boeing said the modification also includes a number of improvements unrelated to the propulsion system. About 250 Boeing employees are assigned to the installation program. No new employment is expected for the new contract.

The KC-135 is the Air Force's primary tanker. With new engines, two KC-135Rs can do the work of three tankers with original engines, Boeing said. The Wichita branch of Boeing Military Airplanes is part of the Boeing Defense & Space Group based in Seattle.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.67	7.77	8.40
91-day Treasury bills	7.28	7.32	7.72
182-day Treasury bills	7.40	7.42	7.57
1-year Treasury bills	7.32	7.34	7.30
3-year Treasury notes	7.74	7.82	7.82
7-year Treasury notes	8.34	8.42	7.87
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.63	8.71	7.89
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.15	9.15	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.80	9.80	9.20
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.01	9.15	8.91
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.11	9.38	8.85
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.47	9.54	9.09
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.45	9.52	9.07

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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ST. PETERSBURG, FL (NOV. 9) UPI - Federal regulators shut down long-troubled Florida Federal Savings Bank on Friday and created a new institution to assume the deposits and certain assets and liabilities of the $4-billion thrift.

Florida Federal sought in recent years to reduce its losses in the face of a scandal involving the government's guaranteed student loan program. The thrift was convicted in May on charges of defrauding the government by filing false student loan default claims, and was later ordered to pay $20.2 million in restitution and fines.

Prosecutors charged that Florida Federal bilked the government out of $18 million by billing the U.S. Department of Education for student loans it never tried to collect.

At the time of the fraud, the thrift was the second largest savings and loan association in the Southeast and the third largest provider of guaranteed student loans in the country.

The Office of Thrift Supervision said it shut down Florida Federal because the thrift was operating in "unsafe and unsound condition" with insufficient capital and no prospect of raising cash without government assistance.

The OTS said Florida Federal's losses were the result of the thrift's high level of non-earning assets, including foreclosed properties and delinquent development and commercial loans.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, Florida Federal posted a loss of $103 million. The loss for the fourth quarter eliminated the company's meager net worth of $1.3 million. Last month, the thrift reported an additional loss of $6.7 million for the first quarter ended Sept. 30.

At the time, Florida Federal's chief executive officer, John Sapanski, said the quarterly results represented the thrift's best performance since 1987.

The OTS appointed the Resolution Trust Corp. as receiver for Florida Federal. A newly created mutual association, Florida Federal Savings, was formed to continue the thrift's business. Regulators said Florida Federal held $2.5 billion in deposits in 238, 234 accounts. Deposits continue to be federally insured up to $100,000.

Florida Federal, which operated 88 branch offices and loan production facilities, was one of Florida's largest financial institutions, although its asset base had been shrinking in recent quarters. By Sept. 30, assets had fallen to $4 billion from about $5 billion as of June 30, 1989.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	14	15	21
New lows	69	93	94

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	1,085	108,620,000
Declines	450	21,146,500
Unchanged	452	15,393,500

Total 1,987 145,160,000

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#90313u1830 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 9) UPI - The guided-missile cruiser U-S-S Philippine Sea fired warning shots across the bow of a Sudanese-flagged cargo vessel today in enforcing the embargo against Iraq. Officials say sailors boarded and searched the ship before allowing it to proceed to a Jordanian port.

The State Department says Iraq freed three American male hostages today, but blocked the exit of two others who were assembled at a Baghdad hotel for a flight out of the country. There is NO explanation of why the Iraqi authorities stopped the two from leaving.

Former German chancellor Willy Brandt returned to Frankfurt today from a controversial visit to Baghdad with almost 200 hostages. The Germans were released after Brandt met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

New York authorities say the accused assassin of right-wing Israeli Rabbi Meir Kahane was taking the controversial drug Prozac for depression. The drug has recently come under scrutiny amid mounting reports that it may actually spark violent or suicidal behavior in some patients.

The crime-plagued nation's capital is getting a new prison. The government today announced plans to build a one-thousand-bed facility to be built within site of the Capitol dome. The new prison is designed to help relieve severe overcrowding at the District of Columbia jail.

A Federal Election Commission official testified today that if allegations against former thrift owner Don Dixon are true, then he made a mockery of the federal laws limiting political campaign contributions. Dixon is named in a 38-count federal indictment in the BILLION-dollar failure of Vernon Savings and Loan in Texas.

Defense attorneys for Charles Keating today asked a judge in Los Angeles to dismiss the 42-count securities fraud indictment against the former head of Lincoln Savings and Loan and three co-defendants. And the judge told prosecutors that he has ''major concerns'' about one-half the charges.

Federal investigators are trying to confirm a report that a twin- engine plane that crashed in a heavy rainstorm in East Texas last night was low on fuel. All five people aboard were killed in the fiery crash near Nacogdoches.

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#90313u1832 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	171.17	168.67	171.17	up 3.03
Industrial	211.35	208.39	211.35	up 4.02
Transport	130.46	129.61	130.46	up 1.13
Utility	90.18	89.33	90.18	up 1.06
Finance	111.91	110.37	111.91	up 2.06

Equivalent to a gain of 52 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 145,160,000 shares.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Nov 9, 1990	36	266	380	435	172	987
Nov 2, 1990	15	263	320	461	207	988
Nov 3, 1989	36	98	384	425	188	997

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#90313u1835 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Nov 9, 1990	63	361	1181	756	231	2168
Nov 2, 1990	34	510	1013	883	274	2170
Nov 3, 1989	91	175	1055	797	288	2140
Nov 4, 1988	113	79	779	1047	344	2170

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#90313u1879 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 429.83, up 1.48 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90313u1899 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon (NOV. 9) UPI - The Lebanese army prepared 8,000 troops to take over and unify the devided capital at dawn Saturday to end more than 15 years of militia rule, official sources said.

Defense Minister Albert Mansour said Friday the government of President Elias Hrawi would not hesitate to call in Syrian military help if the army met resistance from the warring Christian and Moslem militias.

''There will be no weapon in Beirut other than the legitimate one,'' said Agriculture Minister Mohsen Dalloul, who maintains close contacts with the Syrian command.

The decision to establish a free militia-unified Beirut was announced Wednesday following a Cabinet meeting. An official statement said the ''Greater Beirut'' plan would be completed by midnight Nov. 19.

Military sources said the soldiers would deploy in key junctions of the city including its southern suburb, a hotbed of the fundamentalist pro-Iranian Hezbollah, and the Ashrafiheh neigborhood, a stronghold of the Christian Lebanese Forces militia headed by Samir Geagea.

The sources said the zero hour for the deployment was set at dawn Saturday. The soldiers have orders to shut down all militia offices and regain control of public facilities and buildings illegally occupied by militias or refugees.

Security sources said that according to the plan, troops would gradually deploy Saturday and militiamen withdraw with their light and heavy weapons outside Greater Beirut.

The Cabinet's statement did not set the boundaries of Greater Beirut, but Hrawi said it will include the capital and a 9-to-16 mile semi- circular area stretching to the Damour village in the south and the Kalb River in the north.

The sources said confiscating arms will go along with disbanding militias, which should be completed by March 21, 1991, the deadline set by Hrawi.

All militias based in Beirut have agreed to pull out from the capital and have given orders to their gunmen to facilitate the army's task.

According to the plan, troops would also have to lay hand on the Beirut port controlled by Christian militias since the outbreak of the civil war in 1975 and close other militia-held smaller ports south and north of the capital.

These small ports were mainly used to import arms to various warring factions

as well as trafficking drugs produced by Lebanon's opium growers in the Eastern Bekaa valley.

Reunification of the capital was the first step of an internationally recognized peace accord endorsed by Lebanese lawmakers in Taif, Saudi Arabia, in October 1989.

Its implementation was obstruced by rebel Christian leader Gen. Michel Aoun until Oct. 13, when he was ousted in a joint Syrian-Lebanese military operation.

Aoun sought refuge at the French Embassy in the Christian district of Hazmiyeh and was granted political asylum by France, but Hrawi's government insisted on putting him on trial.

The general remains at the emabssy pending a settlement over his fate.

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#90313u1904 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (NOV. 9) UPI - Alleging mismanagement, federal regulators filed a complaint Friday seeking more than $250 million in damages from the former chairman of CenTrust Bank and 15 other former officers and directors of the failed thrift.

The complaint, filed in U.S. District Court by the Resolution Trust Corp., charges David L. Paul, the flamboyant former chairman of CenTrust, and the others with breach of fiduciary duty, waste and mismanagement.

The Office of Thrift Supervision is seeking $30.9 million from Paul in a separate proceeding filed last month.

Federal regulators seized CenTrust in February, and officials now estimate that the bailout of the thrift will cost taxpayers $1.7 billion.

The RTC contends Paul and the other officers and directors allowed CenTrust's assets to be depleted through extravagent spending and through a highly speculative investment strategy that favored high-risk, high-yielding financial instruments known as ''junk'' bonds.

Also named as defendants in the complaint were: Peter K. Moser, Edward D.G. Davies, David Kunstler, Richard H. Judy, Perry Snyderman, Catherine Fahringer, Walter Shealy III, Angel Cortina Jr., Thelma Gibson, Earl Linch, Milton Wallace, Jay Weiss, Barry Schwartz, Alfred Teti and Jonathan Tyres.

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#90313u1954 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - More tough talk in the Persian Gulf crisis today. Iraq reiterated its threat to blow up the Kuwaiti and Saudi Arabian oil fields, and British Prime Minister Thatcher said the military option will be used if Iraq does NOT withdraw from Kuwait. At the United Nations, the General Assembly's Committee for the first time ever, refused to put an item on the world body's agenda on request from a member state. Iraq had requested that the world body discuss the presence of U-S troops in the Persian Gulf area.

In Washington, the government today gave more signs of the impact of the U-N embargo against Iraq. The Agriculture Department says Baghdad may be able to import only 500-thousand metric tons of grain because of the international sanctions... half the amount projected one month ago. Before the invasion of Kuwait, the department had estimated that Iraq would buy five-point-one-Million tons of wheat, feed grains, rice and soybean meal in the current 12-month period.

President Bush apparently is bracing for more bad news on the economic front. White House spokeman Marlin Fitzwater says the president anticipates that the fourth-quarter economic forecast due out next week will show a downturn in growth as a result of the Persian Gulf energy crisis. And Fitzwater says Bush is looking for new incentives and proposals ''to get the economy back on its feet.'' Bush gathered with top advisers today at Camp David to look over the gloomy projections.

A federal judge in Miami is hearing arguments this afternoon on whether a network can broadcast government tapes of telephone conversations between Manual Noriega and his defense attorneys. Cable News Network obtained at least seven of the tapes in the drug-trafficking case of the depose Panamanian dictator. Noriega's lawyers are seeking a permanent injunction to bar C-N-N from airing any more of the tapes.

Former President Reagan today visited the site of Winston Churchill's famed ''Iron Curtain'' speech in Fulton, Missouri, to dedicate a monument sculpted from the Berlin Wall by Churchill's grand-daughter. The dedication comes on the first anniversary of the fall of the nortorious wall. Reagan spoke about the changes in Europe since Churchill's 1946 speech, focusing on the collapse of communism and its most famous symbol.

British Prime Minister Thatcher faced a new barrage of criticism today because of her Conservative Party's crushing defeat in two by- elections. The main opposition Labor Party won both elections, and in Bradford, the ruling Conservatives finished a humiliating third. Labor leader Neil Kinnock says the voters are telling Thatcher to quit. Thatcher has to call new elections before mid-1991.

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#90313u1977 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Incresed				
General Binding Corp	Q	.08	12-20	11-21
Home Federal Svgs SC	Q	.07	1-2	12-10
Russ Berrie	Q	.15	12-7	11-21
Stepan Co	Q	.16	12-15	12-1
Sysco Corp	Q	.07	2-15	1-25
Tab Products Co	Q	.10	12-14	11-26
Special				
Garan Inc	..	1.00	12-7	11-20
Extra				
Russ Berrie	..	.60	12-7	11-21
Reduced				
Federal Industries	Q	c-.05	1-1	12-7
Patriot Prem Div Fd I	M	.0667	12-10	11-26
Patriot Prem Div Fd II	M	.07 1/2	12-17	12-3
Usual				
Amer Reliance Group	Q	.11	12-7	11-20
Coca-Cola Bottling Co	Q	.22	12-10	11-23
Coca-Cola Bottling B	Q	.13	12-10	11-23
Eastman Kodak	Q	.50	1-21	12-3
First Chicago Corp	Q	.50	1-1	12-14
Garan Inc	Q	.25	12-7	11-20
Mission West Prop	Q	.10	11-30	11-23
Prop Trust of Amer	Q	.21	12-7	11-23
Steel Technologies	S	.03	12-7	11-23
Trion Inc	Q	.02 1/4	2-1	1-2
Turner Corp	Q	.25	12-6	11-23

c-Canadian rate

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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#90313u1990 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended November 9, 1990.

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	294,050,016	35 3/4	32	35 1/2	up 1

Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	224,709,008	66 1/2	63	64 3/4	up 1 1/4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	221,766,000	37	34	36	up 3/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	168,380,000	32 1/2	29 3/4	30 7/8	up 1
Sun Microsytm	(SUNW)	115,460,000	18 7/8	16 7/8	17 1/4	off 5/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	114,401,000	29	25 1/2	27 1/2	up 5/8
Cisco Systm	(CSCO)	111,788,000	36 1/4	29 3/4	35 1/4	up 1 3/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	110,579,000	36 7/8	34	35 3/4	up 1 1/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	103,820,000	49 1/4	47	49	up 1
WhlsClub	(WHLS)	91,288,504	20 1/4	14 3/4	20	unch

NMS volume 540,974,000 shares.

Advances	1,078
Declines	1,041
Unchanged	650
Total	2,769

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#90313u1995 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) UPI - The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency declared Friday that Freedom National Bank of New York was insolvent and appointed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. the institution's receiver.

The Harlem-based bank experienced significant deterioration in 1988 as a result of weak loan underwriting by former management and weak supervision by the board of directors and management, government officials said.

New management, hired in 1988, attempted to resolve the problems, and the comptroller's office obtained commitments from the board of directors addressing the bank's problems.

Despite the efforts of the directors and new management, the bank's deterioration continued and was exacerbated by the local economic downturn, officials said. The bank was unsuccessful in obtaining additional capital and losses mounted, exhausting the bank's capital and resulting in insolvency.

Freedom National Bank of New York, chartered in 1964, had assets as of Sept. 30 totaling approximately $110 million. The bank was a minority institution with its main office in Harlem and two branches in Brooklyn.

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#90313u2025 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 9) UPI - President Bush vetoed a bill Friday which would have made changes in the Orphan Drug Act, claiming the measure would endanger incentives for drug companies to develop medicines for rare diseases.

The legislation would have made changes in a law that created economic

incentives for drug companies to develop drugs for rare diseases and conditions.

The law ''by any measure ... has been a tremendous success,'' leading to the approval of a total of 49 new drugs for rare diseases and the development of 370 medicines, Bush said.

''These drugs have provided life-saving treatments for such terrible diseases as enzyme deficiency, which adversely affects the immune system of about 40 children nationwide,'' he said. ''Until the orphan drug was developed to treat these children, they had to spend their entire lives in the protection of an isolation bubble.''

But Bush said he had serious concerns about the changes, which were designed to close loopholes in the law that had allowed companies to make large profits from drugs that turned out to have bigger markets than originally predicted, such as AIDS treatments.

Bush said he was particularly concerned with the provision dealing with ''market exclusivity'' because it would modify the companies' exclusive marketing rights for a seven-year period.

''The certainty of this 7-year period is the basis of the economic incentive to attract drug firms to invest in orphan drugs,'' he said.

''I am aware that this bill was passed after a number of compromises among members of Congress,'' he said. ''I am extremely concerned, however, that individuals with rare diseases may suffer because of changes that bill would make in the incentives to develop new drug treatments.''

The veto was praised by some industry groups but criticized by organizations.

''Putting the profit margin of one corporation over the public health of the country is colder and meaner, not kinder and gentler,'' the AIDS Action Council said in a statement.

The Association of Biotechnology Companies, however, said the changes had been ''diluted to the point that they were virtually meaningless'' and the veto would open ''the door for making the ... act more effective.''

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#90313u2031 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - The 10 most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended November 9, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Imperial Oil A	2,354,900	54 3/8	52	52 1/8	off 1 7/8

Contl Air Hldg	2,005,500	3	2 1/4	2 5/8	off 1/8
Salomon wt Jan	1,603,800	19 5/8	16 1/2	18 5/8	up 1 7/8
Amdahl Corp	1,558,000	12 3/8	11 1/2	12 3/8	up 3/4
ENSCO	1,518,900	2 3/4	2 1/4	2 3/8	off 3/8
Wstn Digital	1,274,700	6	4 3/8	4 5/8	off 1
PW Group wtB	1,141,700	10 1/8	8 1/2	9 3/8	up 5/8
Denmark K wt	1,052,100	20 1/2	17 1/2	19 5/8	up 1 3/4
Fruit of Loom	994,100	7 1/4	6 5/8	7	up 1/4
BAT Industries	956,300	11 1/4	10 13-16	10 13-16	off 1/8

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#90313u2057 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - Largest net changes amoung AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended November 9, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Ragan Brad	21 1/2	up 4 5/8
Maxxam Inc	29 3/4	off 4 1/2
Amrcs UNP pr	64 1/2	up 4 1/4
Amrcs BM ut	63	up 4
Toledo Ed pfA	76	off 4
Amrcs EK ut	42 3/8	up 3 1/2
Tel & Data Sys	27 1/8	up 3 1/2
Central Secur	7 5/8	up 3 3/8
Fst Aust Prm	9	up 3 3/8
Amrcs IBM pr	107 7/8	up 3 1/8

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#90313u2128 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - The U.S. Treasury bond market, a record quarterly refunding operation behind it and prospects of further economic decline ahead, finished out the week Friday with modest gains but an optimistic posture.

One of the main reasons for positive market sentiment is the expectation that the Federal Reserve is increasingly under pressure to ease its short-term Fed funds rate and longer-term discount rate to stave off recession.

Such a lowering of interest rates can boost bond prices by making their fixed returns relatively more attractive - but only if the bond market is convinced that a Fed easing does not feed bond-bearish inflation.

The Federal Open Market Committee, the Fed's interest rate policy board, will meet Tuesday and could opt for another easing move. It lowered the Fed funds rate Oct. 29, to 7 3/4 percent from 8 percent.

Investors Friday kept their nerve in the face of wholesale inflation figures

which, taken at face value, were bearish, but when the effects of the Persian Gulf crisis were set aside, were actually somewhat bullish.

The government's closely watched Producer Price Index surged 1.1 percent last month on soaring energy prices, exceeding economists' predictions of a gain of just 0.7 percent. But energy and food aside, wholesale prices were unchanged in October after edging up 0.6 percent in September.

''From a core inflation standpoint the market is pretty constructive, '' said James Capra, a Shearson Lehman Brothers senior vice president.

While the market was edgy about the rising tone of U.S. and other leaders on the use of military force to drive Iraqi forces out of Kuwait. But Capra said most analysts think a Western offensive is two months off.

The newly issued benchmark 30-year bond, the 8 3/4 of 2020, closed at 101 08/32 to yield 8.61 percent, compared with an average price of 100 12/32 and yield of 8.71 percent at auction Thursday, a gain of 7/8 point.

Analysts said another reason for a bullish market at week's end was relief at the completion of the record $34.25 billion quarterly refunding - particularly the good results of the 30-year bond auction. The bond's yield was 16 basis points off the same issue's yield when auctioned in August.

That result and lowered market yields Friday were also good news for the wide economy, as fixed mortgage rates are pegged to the long bond.

Capra said many of the refunding issues ended up in the hands of dealers, not investors, but said Wall Street was not unhappy about that. Prospects are good for sales to institutional investors in the period ahead, he said.

''I think what's happening is that people have been very cautious about buying stuff because of concerns about the Middle East,'' he said. But ''as the market works its way up, people who are holding cash are being drawn into the market because prices are rising and they can't wait forever.''

Commented Mitchell Held, a Smith Barney analyst, in the firm's Credit Market Comment newsletter: ''Breezing through a record-size refunding auction ... and generally ignoring heightened tensions in the Persian Gulf ... some of the bulls began to come out of the closet and bought outright.''

Ten-year Treasury notes ended at 100 9/32 to yield 8.63 percent, against 99 28/32 and 8.52 percent at auction this week. Five-year notes ended at 101 22/32 to yield 8.07 percent, vs. 101 12/32 and 8.57 percent last week.

Three-year Treasury notes closed at 100, par, to yield 7.75 percent, compared with 99 30/32 and 7.78 percent at auction Tuesday. Two-year notes were at 100 08/32 to yield 7.61 percent, vs. 100 05/32 and 7.66 percent last week.

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#90313u2135 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 9) UPI - Stocks were mixed this week, caught between hopes for lower interest rates and Mideast jitters, with the blue-chip Dow industrials down slightly but major indexes and the broad market higher.

The Dow Jones industrial average jumped 44.80 Friday to end the week at 2488.61 but lost 2.23 for the week, a 0.1 percent pullback.

Among broader market indexes, Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 1.83 to end the week at 313.74 and the New York Stock Exchange composite index added 1.10 to end the week at 171.17.

Advances led declines, 1,181-756, among the 2,168 NYSE issues traded this week. Weekly Big Board volume totaled 738,509,588 shares, down from 771,474,930 a week earlier and 743,959,360 a year ago.

Analysts said the market's mixed performance came as investors got caught between saber-rattling by principals involved in the Mideast crisis and improved prospects for lower domestic interest rates at the end of the week.

After moving sideways Monday and Tuesday, prices plunged Wednesday - when chances of war breaking out in the Mideast seemed to get stronger.

Remarks by British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher touched off the rout. Speaking to Parliament, she issued a stern warning to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein to get out of occupied Kuwait soon or be removed ''by force.''

The Dow plunged 44 points as traders feared conflict might break out. The Dow edged higher Thursday as the Treasury's quarterly refunding concluded with the sale of 30-year bonds.

The three auction sessions went well, with healthy demand for the securities, and on Friday, traders, relieved the government issues were sold without interest rates having to rise sharply, went on a buying spree.

The blue chips wiped out Wednesday's 44-point plunge on the strong feeling that the Federal Reserve's policy making panel would lean toward a rate cut at its meeting Nov. 13.

And news on Friday that the core inflation rate, excluding food and oil prices remained unchanged last month helped solidify the feeling the Fed had sufficient leeway to loosen credit policy further, allowing rates to fall enough to cushion the economic blow of a recession.

As the week ended, analysts said the market would take its cue from

expectations of looser credit.

Looking to the Veterans' Day week, Ricky Harrington, director of investment policy and asset management at Marion Bass Securities in Charlotte, N.C., said ''we'll extend the rally'' in stocks if, as he expects, Mideast tensions do not erupt.

''There's the hope that we're going to get lower rates,'' said Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King & Associates in Albany, N.Y.

''We need all the help we can get, we need better volume, but that's where hopes are pinned right now - lower rates,'' he said.

Also on Wall Street's wish list, he said, is a cooling of the Mideast situation, especially after the mid-week scare: ''Every time we get that kind of news and lower oil prices, the market reacts favorably. It got beat up when it looked like we would make a move.''

But even if the conditions needed for stocks to rally - a cooling of the Mideast crisis cools, interest rates and oil prices dropping - come together, Doran warned: ''It would still be temporary.

''There are still major problems out there. We have an economy slowing and corporate America is regrouping, trying to become more profitable. The cost of that is going to be layoffs and those types of things. Over the longer term it will be positive, but not over the next 2 or 3 months,'' he concluded.

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#90313u2205 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - Secretary of State Baker has gone to Paris- the seventh leg of his tour of the Middle East and Europe to check out the support for possible military action against Iraq. Baker will meet NOT only with French leaders in Paris. He'll also meet with NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner Earlier today, Baker met with British Prime Minister Thatcher... who said she hopes Iraq will adopt a peaceful solution, and pull out of Kuwait.

Oil prices on the world's markets fell more than one-and-a-half dollars a barrel today. Trading speeded up in the final hour of an otherwise quiet day on an UNfounded rumor that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had been overthrown. For the week, U-S crude lost a total of 11 cents a barrel and gasoline declined by less than a penny. Heating oil went up nearly three cents a gallon on the markets.

An UNsubstantiated rumor of an attempted coup in Iraq sent New York stocks climbing this afternoon. A bond rally tied to an UNexpected drop in interest rates also contributed to the gains on Wall Street. Bonds also rallied on news that inflation did NOT pick up in October. The government reported today that

producer prices, excluding the food and energy sectors, were UNchanged last month.

Arco Alaska has agreed to pay a 200-thousand-dollar fine for spilling oil on fragile tundra. Arco says it also will explore better ways of cleaning up such spills. The agreement with the state of Alaska was announced today. Up to 25-thousand gallons of crude oil spilled in August of 1989 when a pipeline valve failed near Prudhoe Bay.

The water supply in half the Latvian capital of Riga has been halted because a toxic chemical was released into a river. Latvian television says the toxic spill came from a defense factory in neighboring Byelorussia. The chemical is potassium cyanide, an extremely poisonous compound used in insecticides and metallurgy.

The Lebanese army has eight-thousand troops ready to take over and unify the divided capital at dawn. Official sources say the Leganese government WON'T hesitate to call in Syrian military help if the army meets resistance from the warring Christian and Moslem militias. The Lebanese troops plan to end more than 15 years of militia rule in Beirut.

Members of the United Nations Security Council watched a videotape today. The tape is of the Temple Mount incident in Jerusalem, which a Palestine Liberation Organization official says contradicts the Israeli assertion that Islamic religious leaders incited the violence that left 19 Palestinians dead. Israel claims rock-throwing demonstrators caused the confrontation.

The new Miss World is America's Gina Tolleson. She was judged more beautiful than 80 other women from around the world despite a bout with flu. Tolleson says her illness apparently was caused by London's inclement weather. The brown-eyed brunette from South Carolina is a student at the University of Georgia and hopes to work in broadcast journalism. She said she enjoys writing reading, gardening, tennis and tap dancing.

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#90313u2208 11/09/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 10) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Baseball

Montreal - Traded pitcher John Costello to San Diego for pitcher Brian Harrison.

San Francisco - Signed pitcher Bud Black to a four-year contract.

Basketball

Minnesota - Agreed to a four-year contract extension with forward Jerome Kersey.

Football

Dallas - Signed fullback Robert Perryman.

Minnesota - Activated safety Pat Eilers.

Hockey

Toronto - Acquired center Mike Krushelnyski from Los Angeles in exchange for center John McIntyre; traded minor- league defenseman Steve Bancroft to Boston for left-winger Rob Cimetta; recalled left winger Joe Sacco, defenseman Brian Blad and center Doug Shedden from Newmarket of the AHL.

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#90313u2218 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (NOV. 9) UPI - The Dallas Cowboys Friday signed former New England fullback Robert Perryman, club officials said.

Perryman, a four-year veteran from Michigan, started seven games this season for the Patriots before being released by the club on Monday.

Perryman rushed 32 times for 97 yards and a touchdown this year and caught 15 passes for 88 years with New England.

In 1989, he rushed for a career-high 562 yards and caught a career- high 29 passes for 195 yards. He was the Patriots' second-leading rusher behind Pro Bowler John Stephens the past two seasons.

New England selected Perryman in the third round of the 1987 draft.

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#90313u2224 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

FORT LEWIS, Wash. (NOV. 9) UPI - Lt. Gen. Cah Waller, commander of I Corps and Fort Lewis, will temporarily assume duties as the Deputy Commander in Chief of U.S. Central Command Forward in Saudi Arabia, an Army spokesman said Friday.

The current commander in chief of American forces involved in Operation Desert Shield is Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf.

Waller, who will assume his new duties effective Wednesday, Nov. 14, served as Gen. Schwarzkopf's deputy commander at Fort Lewis from June 10, 1986, to July 26, 1987.

Waller's orders state that he will be gone for up to six months, after which he is expected to return to Fort Lewis, said Sam Cagle, deputy public affairs office at Fort Lewis. Waller assumed the command of Fort Lewis on Aug. 3, 1989.

The acting commander of I Corps at Fort Lewis in Waller's absence will be Maj. Gen. Thomas A. Tate, who is currently serving as the deputy commander, 2nd U.S. Army at Fort Gillem, Georgia. He was expected to arrive over the weekend.

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#90313u2227 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 9) UPI - Grubb & Ellis Co., suffering from the effects of the national real estate slowdown, said Friday it would lay off 400 employees and close or franchise 15 offices.

The steps resulted in a $23.1 million third-quarter loss for the real estate company, which included a $15.3 million restructuring charge. The loss compared with a gain of $1.6 million, or 9 cents a share, in the third quarter last year.

Revenue in the third quarter slid to $81.6 million from $95.1 million in the year-earlier quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company posted a net loss of $27.8 million, or $1.70 a share, on revenue of $243.1 million. That compared with net income of $163,000, or 1 cent a share, on revenue of $263.9 million in the first nine months of 1989.

The $15.3 million charge included a charge to goodwill and reserves for severance and closing costs. The company said it would reduce its workforce of 5,300 by 400 employees and salespersons in various operations nationwide.

The charge also included additional reserves for joint ventures and partnerships in the company's Texas operations.

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#90313u2270 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

BREWSTER, Mass. (NOV. 9) UPI - Four dozen whales who tried to strand themselves on a Cape Cod beach were saved when aquarium workers succeeded in herding them back out to sea, officials said Friday.

The rescue is believed to be the first time anyone has been able to prevent a mass stranding of whales, said Colleen Coogan, a biologist with the National Marine Fisheries.

A local resident called the Cape Cod Aquarium last Saturday after spotting 46

whales milling around in shallow water off Paines Creek in Brewster on Cape Cod Bay, said Ian McMillan, associate director of the aquarium.

Workers from the nearby aquarium jumped into boats and began trying to herd the animals out to sea, using a variety of loud noises, McMillan said.

''It was still high tide. We were in the water in about 20 minutes,'' he said.''It was basically trying to divert them from them the beach by revving the (boat) engines, air horns and banging on the side of the boat.''

The whales tried three times to turn back to shore, but the boats managed to lead them out into deeper water, McMillan said.

Afraid the whales would try to strand themselves again, aquarium officials waited nearly a week to report the rescue. McMillan said officials now believed the whales would not try to strand themselves again.

McMillan called the successful rescue ''a question of timing'' in that aquarium workers were able to reach the animals soon after the attempted stranding and while the tide was still high.

Mass strandings of whales are not uncommon on Cape Cod, and the incidents increase in the winter, McMillan said. The largest Cape Cod stranding was in 1984, when 96 whales flung themselves on the beach in Eastham, he said. All of those animals died or were put to sleep.

The whales which tried to strand themselves in Brewster last weekend were of the pilot species, whose males can reach 25 feet in length, making them one of the smaller types of whales.

Marine biologists are not certain why whales strand themselves.

''There's a bunch of theories, from possible disease to magnetic anomalies in the Earth's crust,'' McMillan said.

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#90313u2295 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - The following is Money Magazine's Small Investor Index (Dec. 31, 1989 average equals 100):

This week 99.40, up 0.33 or 0.33 percent, compared with 99.07 the previous week.

The week's change for each asset:

Category	PC Chg. Index	PC Chg. Week Ago	Year Ago
Stocks			

Blue chips	90.54	up	0.41	off	5.27
Small stocks	74.75	up	1.75	off	25.92
Equity funds	88.81	up	0.67	off	8.82
Bonds					
Taxable bonds	105.07	up	0.11	up	5.91
Municipal bonds	107.05	up	0.74	up	7.95
Bond funds	98.92	off	0.13	off	1.09
Cash					
CDs	106.83	up	0.14	up	7.95
Money funds	105.16	up	0.11	up	6.01
Other					
Real estate	100.67	up	0.17	up	1.11
Gold	84.04	up	0.43	off	11.55

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#90313u2309 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 9) UPI - The San Francisco Giants Friday signed free agent pitcher Bud Black to a four-year contract.

Black, 33, played for both Cleveland and Toronto during the 1990 season, compiling a 13-11 record and a 3.57 earned-run average in 32 games.

The Giants had several pitchers go down with injuries last year and Giants' President and General Manager Al Rosen said the team was looking to strengthen its left-handed pitching in the offseason.

Black began his major league career with Seattle Mariners in 1981 before he was traded to the Kansas City Royals the following year. He spent six full seasons with the Royals, posting a career-high 17 victories in 1984.

Black has a career record of 83-82 and a 3.74 lifetime ERA.

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#90313u2379 11/09/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 9) UPI - The commander of U-S forces in Operation Desert Shield is getting help. The army says Lieutenant General Cah Waller, commander of I Corps and Fort Lewis, will be the deputy commander in chief. The commander in chief of American forces in Saudi Arabia is General H. Norman Schwarzkopf.

A New York City police source says the man who shot Rabbi Meir Kahane was taking an anti-depression drug, Prozac. There are reports Prozac touches off violent or suicidal behavior in some patients. However, the Prozac maker says clinical trials ''do NOT support a causal relationship between Prozac and violent behavior.''

The State Department WON'T comment on an allegation from former Panamanian

dictator Manuel Noriega's lawyer. He says taped phone conversations from Noriega's Miami jail were given to the U- S government, which gave them to the new Panamanian government, which in turn gave the tapes to C-N-N.

A judge has told federal prosecutors to re-write half of the counts against former Lincoln Savings and Loan owner Charles Keating. The judge in Los Angeles today said the counts fail to specify any crimes.

The Seabrook nuclear power plant in New Hampshire shut down automatically this afternoon. A tiny part in a steam generator on the non-nuclear side of the Seabrook reactor malfunctioned. Officials say there was NO risk to workers.

A recount gave the former mayor of Providence, Rhode Island... Vincent Cianci... an unbeatable lead today. But his political foes filed an objection, saying his criminal record for assaulting his wife's lover bars him from taking office.

Presidential candidates in Guatemala wound up their campaigns today. Voters will elect a new government in Guatemala Sunday. Guatemalan law forces candidates to end their campaigns 36 hours before the polls open.

Poland's six presidential candidates have scrapped plans for a nationwide televised debate. They failed to agree on the ground rules. The election in Poland will be November 25th.

The 25th anniversary of a giant blackout in the northeastern states was commemorated today. Lights outside the 15-story E-A-B Towers in Uniondale, New York, were turned off for one minute at 5:30 p-m. The 1965 blackout was caused by lightning striking a power station in Canada.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - A new assistant chief is on his way to help command the American forces in Saudi Arabia. Lieutenant General Cah Waller, commander of I Corps and Fort Lewis, will be deputy commander of Operation Desert Shield under General H. Norman Schwarzkopf. Waller's appointment was announced by the Army today, one day after the Pentagon said about 100-thousand additional G-I's will be sent to the Persian Gulf. Waller will begin his new duties Wednesday, long before the G-I's reach the gulf.

American forces are still halting ships for searches as they approach Iraq. The U-S-S Philippine Sea fired warning shots across the bow of a Sudanese-flagged cargo vessel today. American sailors boarded and searched the ship before allowing it to sail on to a port in Jordan.

The State Department says about 60 ailing American men are still being held hostage in Iraq or Kuwait. But Iraq let three more American men with medical

problems leave today. One of them was shot in the arm by Iraqi troops in Kuwait City.

The maker of the anti-depressant drug Proza... Eli Lilly... says clinical trials DON'T show Prozac causes violent behavior. But there are mounting reports Prozak may spark violent or suicidal behavior in some patients. New York City police say the man who shot Rabbi Meir Kahane was taking Proazc, once hailed as the ''wonder drug of the '90's.''

Pakistan's new prime minister, Nawaz Sharif, announced his new cabinet today. He brought back 10 officials from the regime of late military President Zia. Sharif took office Tuesday after his alliance's defeat of former prime minister Benazir Bhutto's party last month. Zia died in a mysterious plane crash two years ago and Bhutto succeeded him.

The dissident leader who helped bring down the government of Indian Prime Minister Singh will be sworn in as India's eighth prime minister tomorrow. India's president invited Chandra Shekhar today to form a new government. Shekar indicates he has enough parliamentary support to do it.

Aquarium workers in Brewster, Massachusetts, have saved four dozen whales. The whales tried to strand themselves on a Cape Cod beach... but aquarium workers herded them back out to sea. The rescue is believed to be the first time anyone has been able to prevent a mass stranding of whales. Marine biologists are NOT certain why whales strand themselves.

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#90314d0120 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LOS ANGELES, (NOV 10) - Actor Marlon Brando is afraid to visit his daughter, who is recovering from a drug overdose in Tahiti, for fear that Tahitian authorities will not allow him to return to the United States to testify at his son's murder trial, a family lawyer said.

"It's an impossible decision for a father to make," said Robert Shapiro, an attorney for Mr. Brando's son Christian, who is charged with the May murder of Dag Drollet, the Tahitian lover of his half-sister Cheyenne.

Mr. Brando had planned to fly to his daughter's bedside after she was hospitalized last week for a drug overdose, but Mr. Shapiro said he had advised the actor against making the trip unless he received assurances from Tahitian authorities that he would be allowed to leave the French territory.

Mr. Shapiro said the actor had not received such assurances and was currently at his estate in Hollywood Hills.

French authorities want to question Mr. Brando about the murder of Mr. Drollet the son of a prominent Tahitian.

Cheyenne fled to Tahiti following the shooting of Mr. Drollet and later gave birth to the couple's son. She has been under a Tahitian court order not to leave the islands pending further investigation there of the murder.

The trial of Christian Brando has been indefinitely postponed by a California appeals court so it could consider prosecution requests to have Cheyenne testify at the hearing.

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#90314d0140 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA, (NOV 10) - U.S. Marine Corps Lieutenant General Walter Boomer said Saturday that the first members of an additional Marine Expeditionary Force being sent to Saudi Arabia could begin to arrive in about two or three weeks.

Speaking at a ceremony at a Saudi port to celebrate the 215th anniversary of the Marine Corps, Lt. Gen. Boomer said the new U.S. forces to be deployed in the Gulf should "provide us with the capability to do whatever it is the president wants us to do."

The general, commander of the more than 30,000 Marines on the ground in Saudi Arabia, said that the 2nd Marine Expeditionary Force could begin to arrive in two or three weeks if it comes by ship, although some Marines were likely to be flown here.

President George Bush, in announcing he was sending significant additional forces to the Gulf region, said they would give the United States "offensive capability" in the event Iraq fails to withdraw peacefully from Kuwait.

Lt. Gen. Boomer said the possibility of an offensive would not require much new training, but only a "subtle shift."

He said the additional Marine force would probably not need any special training. "If need be, we can bring them up to speed very quickly," he said.

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#90314d0260 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN, (NOV 10) - Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen reiterated Saturday his country's opposition to use of force in the Gulf as he met his Jordanian counterpart, Marwan al-Kassem, to discuss Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

A Jordanian official said the two men agreed on the need to reach a negotiated solution to the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Qian later told reporters that he and his Jordanian counterpart rejected

Iraq's August 2 invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

Asked about a possible U.N. Security Council resolution on the use of force against Iraq, Mr. Qian said he could not define China's stand until the proposal was formally presented to the Security Council.

"Such a proposal can not be put forward before it has been the subject of intensive consultations and discussions," he said.

The Chinese foreign minister arrived Friday in Amman where he is expected to have talks with Jordan's King Hussein, as part of a Middle East tour devoted to the Gulf crisis.

He travels Sunday to Iraq for talks with President Saddam Hussein.

"I am not carrying any peace plan and I am not a mediator," Mr. Qian said here Friday. He has also been to Saudi Arabia and Egypt.

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#90314d0440 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH, (NOV 10) - Iraq's ruling Baath Party is using 23 billion dollars deposited in Swiss bank accounts to counter the international trade embargo since the invasion of Kuwait, an Iraqi opposition figure charged Saturday.

Saad Salah Jabr, quoted by the Saudi newspaper Asharq al-Awsat, said the funds were held in bank accounts under the names of foreign companies and non-Iraqi nationals.

"These funds are used as a principal source of financing for commercial transactions, carried out by third parties, on behalf of (Iraqi president) Saddam Hussein," the liberal opposition leader said.

The Iraqi Baath Party has taken five per cent of Iraq's oil revenues since the industry was nationalized in 1972, he said.

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#90314d0650 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS, (NOV 10) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker left the French capital on Saturday afternoon aboard a special flight for Washington D.C.

Mr. Baker arrived in Paris on Friday and held talks on Saturday morning with President Francois Mitterrand and Roland Dumas, the French foreign minister.

Mr. Baker made no statements before his departure.

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#90314d1820 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ANKARA, (NOV 10) - Turkey called on Iraq on Saturday to withdraw from Kuwait unconditionally "before it is too late".

Iraq should "move in the right direction before it is too late", Foreign Minister Kurtcebe Alpemocin said in a budget debate before parliament.

Mr. Alpemocin would not say whether Turkish troops would cross Iraq's northern border if allied troops massed in Saudi Arabia used force against Iraq on what would be the southern front.

He said that Turkey's action in the three-month Gulf crisis triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait was aimed at discouraging "adventurous and dangerous" behaviour.

"Tensions created in the region by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait will not ease for a long time", the foreign minister said, adding that a withdrawal from Kuwait was not enough to restore lasting peace.

"We must also ensure that this will not happen again", he said.

Mr. Alpemocin said one measure to restore peace was to forego concessions to Iraq.

The United Nations Security Council has repeatedly called for unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

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#90314d2010 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BOMBAY, INDIA (NOV 10) - Chandra Shekhar, the new Indian prime minister, is something of a mystery to the country's businessmen, which explains some of the wobbles in the Indian stock market this week.

In the four days of trading on the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) -- Tuesday was a holiday -- the sensitivity index had moved up 84 points by Thursday and then fell 19 points Friday when Mr. Shekhar, 63, appeared certain to take over.

Overall the sensitivity index gained 69 points through the week to close at 1,392.5 Friday, while the national index, fuelled by early speculation that former premier Rajiv Gandhi might return to power in Delhi, gained 32 points to close at 686.9.

Mr. Shekhar, a socialist, has consistently railed against big business, but is also close to some of India's largest industrial houses.

He is reputed to have once said that all industrial investments above half a

million dollars should be made only in the public sector.

The business community is also wary because it will have to contend with another heavyweight avowedly against big business, deputy prime minister Devi Lal, who for years has advocated a move away from large induistries towards small village-oriented cottage industries.

But Chandra Shekhar's aides say that the prime minister has changed over the years and that he has many surprises up his sleeve for Indian business.

"He even wants to sell off some of India's public sector companies," says Kamal Morarka, a Bombay industrialist who is one of Mr. Shekhar's closest advisors.

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#90314d2060 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NDJAMENA, (NOV 10) - Sudan-based troops of the Libyan Islamic Legion launched a violent attack against Chad early Saturday, officials said here in a communique.

Heavy fighting continued in the Tina region on the Chadian-Sudanese border, they added.

The government called on its people to "rise and crush the aggressor".

Decrying Libyan and Sudanese "duplicity" and a "will to destabilize", the communique said "hordes of mercenaries from the Sudanese province of Darfur were heavily and massively equipped".

Fighting erupted on the Chadian-Sudanese border late last year and last March and April, with Chadian government troops retaliating at targets more than 300 kilometres (180 miles) inside Sudan.

Chad has accused Libya of arming and training the Libyan Islamic Legion with assistance by Sudan, but Tripoli has said that Chadian government troops in fact clashed with maverick troops of former Chadian chief-of-staff Idriss Deby.

The Chadian government held Libya and Sudan "entirely" responsible for Saturday's attack and said it would use "all means to defend the integrity of the national territory".

Chadian and Libyan officials met in Tripoli last month to try to settle a longstanding dispute involving the Aouzou strip which is claimed by Libya.

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#90314d2130 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELFAST, (NOV 10) - Four men, including two policemen, were shot to death Saturday at a lake near Lurgan in southern Ulster in an attack in the style of the Irish Republic Army (IRA), police said.

The attack has not been claimed, however.

The four men had been duck-hunting on Lough Neagh, a large lake west of here.

The police victims were an inspector and a reservist of the Royal Ulster Constabulary. The two civilians had no connection with security duties.

A search party was sent out when the hunters failed to return home as scheduled. Their bodies were found in the afternoon at Lough Neagh lake.

Three of the victims were under a car. The fourth was laying near the vehicle.

Another car, which police suspect was used in the attack, was found burned near a neighboring village.

According to the British Press Association agency, 70 people have been assassinated this year in northern Ireland, including 11 from the RUC.

The report came after a bomb exploded in a bus here after passengers had been evacuated.

The driver asked passengers to get off the bus in the city centre after a passenger noted a suspicious parcel. He then drove the bus to a vacant area.

The bomb went off a few minutes later, gutting the bus but causing no casualties.

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#90314d2340 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW, (NOV 10) - The Polish government will seek a stable rate of the zloty against the dollar and other leading western currencies next year, Finance Minister Leszek Balcerowicz said here Saturday.

Polish companies "can rely on the compliance with the basic principle of a stable currency rate", the minister said.

The zloty rate was set at 9,500 for a dollar on January 1 and has only varied by two per cent at any given time.

Owing to the excellent performance of the Polish currency, Warsaw did not have to draw from a one-billion dollar stabilizing fund set up by Western nations to help avert depreciation of the national currency.

Due to a substantial drop in imports, the export surplus was expected to total nearly four billion dollars by the end of the year.

Poland will gradually introduce a value-added tax for some industrial products starting January 1.

All consumer goods will be taxed by July, Mr. Balcerowicz said.

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#90314d2430 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG, (NOV 10) - South African Foreign Minister Pik Botha is to visit Prague this week to prepare the way for probable diplomatic relations with Czechoslovakia, the Johannesburg Star newspaper reported in its Sunday edition.

Quoting diplomatic sources, the report said Mr. Botha would fly to Prague after addressing the Hans Seidel Foundation in Munich, Germany.

The visit will further develop South Africa's rapidly-growing trade and diplomatic links with eastern bloc countries.

Pretoria has already established low-level diplomatic relations with Hungary and Poland and has set up formal trade links with Romania.

The most visible sign of the success of South Africa's diplomatic forays into Eastern Europe is a giant trade fair currently being held in Pretoria by over 100 Polish exporters, the first trade fair ever in South Africa by an eastern bloc country.

The new friendship with eastern and central European countries has been made possible by the collapse of communism and President Frederik de Klerk's far-reaching race reforms.

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#90314d2520 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON, (NOV 10) - Two Portuguese hostages arrived here Saturday via Amman, Jordan, a day after they were freed by Iraq.

Albano Fernandes and Manuel Santos were employed as workers by an Italian company and were allowed to leave Iraq when their contracts expired.

Their arrival was shown Saturday on television here.

A third Portuguese national left Iraq Friday with a group of German hostages freed during a visit by former German chancellor Willy Brandt.

Iraq still holds seven Portuguese among some 3,500 other nationals since it

invaded Kuwait last August.

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#90314d9580 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SPEYER, GERMANY, (NOV 10) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev wrapped up a successful two-day visit to Germany by a private stopover to the western Rheinland Palatinate, where he shook hands with cheering onlookers.

Plain-clothes security guards watched nervously as the beaming Nobel laureate deviated from the sightseeing schedule to this ancient cathedral city and plunged into the crowd of 10,000, with the giant figure of Chancellor Helmut Kohl in his wake.

The trip to Mr. Kohl's home region, followed by a private lunch with their wives and then a tete-a-tete at the chancellor's bungalow at nearby Oggersheim, signalled the bond that has developed between the two leaders.

On Friday, they signed a non-aggression treaty that declares an end to all conflict between the two World War foes. Their economy ministers also sealed a cooperation accord that Moscow hopes will pump Deutsche mark investment into the sickly Soviet economy.

But there were no signs that Mr. Kohl's government would yield to Soviet pressure to step up financial aid that, in this year of German unification, has already reached more than 20 billion marks (13.3 billion dollars).

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#90314d9710 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI, (NOV 10) - A hijacked Thai Airways plane with an unspecified number of passengers on board landed in the eastern Indian city of Calcutta Saturday, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

Citing unnamed official sources in a brief despatch from Calcutta, the news agency said the identity of the hijackers or their number could not be ascertained.

A Thai Airways International employee in New Delhi said the airline was waiting for "some information" on the reported hijack. He said staff here were trying to reach their Calcutta office.

The plane was on a flight from Bangkok to Rangoon when it was hijacked, PTI said.

The plane's pilot repeatedly made the sign "H" with his fingers to security personnel, who threw a cordon around the aircraft, PTI said.

The hijackers warned security men not to get close to the plane, it said.

Jyoti Basu, the chief minister of West Bengal state which administers Calcutta was informed of the hijack and security measures were tightened, it added.

A passenger suspected to be the leader of the hijackers wanted to speak with the ambassador of either Burma or Thailand or an Indian government representative, PTI said in a later despatch.

Armed and wearing a red headband, he was pacing up and down the aisle of the hijacked Airbus A-320, it said.

A special commando force was deployed and the Calcutta airport control tower was in touch with the plane's pilot, PTI said.

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#90314d9770 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN, (NOV 10) - Turkish President Turgut Ozal arrived here Saturday for talks with his Iranian counterpart Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani on the Gulf crisis, the news agency IRNA reported.

Mr. Ozal was greeted at Mehrabad airport by President Rafsanjani and Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati.

IRNA said the Turkish president would leave Sunday for Tokyo to attend the enthronement Monday of Emperor Akihito.

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#90314d9800 11/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH, (NOV 10) - The six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) will hold its next annual summit in the Qatari capital of Doha on December 22, the GCC's secretary general said here Saturday.

Abdallah Yacoub Bishara, who is a Kuwaiti, told Agence France-Presse that the summit would be dominated by the Gulf crisis and efforts to end the Iraqi occupation of his country.

The situation in the Gulf was moving "toward a military confrontation," he said, adding that GCC states "cannot wait a long time for the international embargo against Iraq to have effects."

Apart from Kuwait and Qatar, the GCC also groups Bahrain, Oman, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. The organisation, founded in May 1981, held its last summit in Oman in December 1989.

Foreign ministers of the six Gulf countries are to meet on November 24 in Doha

to prepare the agenda for the coming conference of heads of state, Mr. Bishara said.

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(NOV. 10) UPI - NHL STANDINGS

Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	13	6	0	26	78	47
Washington	10	7	0	20	56	51
New Jersey	9	7	1	19	64	57
Philadelphia	9	8	0	18	64	63
Pittsburgh	8	7	1	17	72	62
NY Islanders	6	10	0	12	46	67

Adams Division

Boston	9	5	2	20	48	52
Montreal	8	7	2	18	53	52
Buffalo	6	6	4	16	54	48
Hartford	4	9	3	11	38	54
Quebec	3	11	3	9	43	68

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
St. Louis	11	4	1	23	56	42
Chicago	11	6	1	23	58	41
Detroit	7	7	3	17	62	68
Minnesota	4	9	4	12	45	62
Toronto	2	15	1	5	48	89

Smythe Division

Calgary	12	6	0	24	81	53
Los Angeles	11	4	1	23	71	46
Vancouver	9	8	0	18	54	59
Winnipeg	7	9	1	15	55	55
Edmonton	2	10	2	6	35	44

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#90314u0050 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 10) UPI - Police in New York say they want to question a retired Connecticut policeman wo may have practiced shooting with the accused killer of Rabbi Meir Kahane. Police add the ex-officer is NOT a suspect in the slaying.

Cable News Network has filed a motion asking a Miami judge to remove himself from the part of Manuel Noreiga's case dealing with taped telephone conversations. The judge has said he may fine C-N-N for airing tapes the government secretly made of Panama's deposed leader.

The New York Daily News is denying allegations that it is recruiting the city's homeless to sell papers amid strike-related violence. One homeless advocate called the reported practice- ''the lowest form of exploitation.''

Nelson Mandela says his African National Congress is committed to peace talks with the white-minority government. But the black leader adds the A-N-C has rejects appeals to end mass protests against apartheid.

Israeli authorities say a Palestinian stabbed a policeman in East Jerusalem today, but the officer managed to shot his attacker in the leg and apprehend him. The stabbing is the latest in a series of knife attacks against Israelis that began October 21st with the fatal stabbing of three Jews in Jerusalem.

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#90314u0073 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

BARTLETT, IL. (NOV. 10) UPI - The ringing telephone got to federal agents searching a suburban Chicago apartment for drug evidence, so they picked it up. The parties on both ends got more than they bargained for.

Agents from the U.S. Treasury Department's Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms left the apartment with 6 ounces of cocaine and $400 cash. What they didn't expect, however, were the arrests of three men who unwittingly placed their drug orders with the agents.

''This happens every once in a while, but to get five arrests at something like this is very unusual,'' said ATF spokesman Jerry Singer. ''We went in there with the intention of getting evidence for putting a federal court case together.''

In addition to the two men who shared the apartment, agents arrested three other men who called, then came over to the apartment looking for drugs. Ten others who either knocked on the door during the operation or were hanging out in the parking lot were detained.

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#90314u0086 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 10) UPI - An official traveling with Secretary of State Baker says the Soviets are NO more optimistic than the Americans that the Persian Gulf crisis can be resolved without force. Baker is in Paris... planning to meet with NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner Saturday to discuss the situation in the

gulf. Baker and Woerner also will discuss East-West relations.

Freedom National Bank in New York City has been shut down. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation closed it for insolvency. Mayor David Dinkins says Freedom National is the nation's largest minority- owned bank. Dinkins says the city had about 300-thousand-dollars in the bank, and the finance commissioner assured him the money was protected.

The nation's only black governor... Virginia's L. Douglas Wilder... is taking the first formal step toward running for president in 1992. Wilder created a campaign committee to explore his chances for higher office. Wilder is a one-time liberal who has moved right over the years to woo moderates.

Ireland has its first woman president. Mary Robinson is the seventh president for Ireland. She's a leftist who says she will extend ''a hand of friendship'' to Northern Ireland. Officials say Robinson handily defeated former Deputy Prime Minister Brian Lenihan.

Washington is going to get a new one-thousand-bed prison. The federal government announced plans to build the prison within sight of the Capitol dome. It's designed to help relieve overcrowding in the District of Columbia jail, which currently holds about 400 federal prisoners.

Environmental officials in Singapore have banned the import and manufacture of non-pharmaceutical aerosol products containing controlled chloro-fluorocarbons. Officials say they are trying to preserve ''the well-being of Mother Earth.''

Federal agents were searching a suburban Chicago apartment for drugs when they answered a ringing phone. The callers were trying to place orders for drugs. As a result, police left the apartment in Bartlett with six ounces of cocaine, 400 dollars and five men in custody.

Insomnia is almost epidemic in a residence hall at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. A four-foot snake named ''Dog'' is loose in the Couzens Residence Hall. The non-poisonous python belonging to two residents of the dorm slithered its way into the heating system last week.

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#90314u0092 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 10) UPI - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher declared military action is inevitable unless Iraq withdraws its invasion forces from Kuwait, and Iraq's president said he saw no signs of a peaceful solution to the gulf crisis.

Also Friday, the United Nations rejected an Iraqi request to discuss the presence of U.S. troops in the gulf region. Iraq, meanwhile, reiterated its

threat to destroy the oil fields in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.

The U.N. General Assembly's Committee rejected Iraq's request a day after President Bush ordered another 150,000 U.S. troops to Middle East, bringing the total American ground forces to nearly 400,000 by early next year.

Thomas Pickering, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, said the Iraqi request ''distorts the truth, defies the Security Council and undercuts the Council.''

In Tehran, Iranian President Hojatoleslam Ali-Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani said at Friday prayers he saw no signs of a peaceful solution to the crisis and called on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

Rafsanjani repeated his concern that ''war may break out in the region'' and that ''there are no signs of a peaceful solution'' to the 3-month-old standoff.

Tehran Radio, monitored in Athens, quoted Rafsanjani as telling worshipers the presence of Iraqi troops in Kuwait was ''bringing major losses to the region, including the presence of foreign forces in the Persian Gulf.''

Despite Iraq's recent decision to capitulate to Iran's demands for a comprehensive peace settlement to their 1980-88, Rafsanjani pledged not to violate U.N. sanctions against Baghdad.

In London, Secretary of State James Baker met Friday with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd as he neared the end of a seven-day, eight-nation Mideast-European tour to seek a mandate for the use of military force against Iraq.

Thatcher declared the ''military option'' will be used if Iraq does not withdraw from Kuwait. ''The peaceful solution would be for Iraq to get out of Kuwait. That is a matter for them. We hope they will do it. If not, we will have to take the military option and see that Iraq does leave Kuwait.''

Baker was to meet with NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner on Saturday in Paris to discuss the gulf situation, among other issues, the NATO press service said.

In Baghdad, Iraq reiterated its threat to destroy vital oil facilities in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia if attacked by the U.S.-led multinational force. It also said the region is on ''the brink'' of ''aid

Bush fueled speculation late Thursday that the United States is preparing for war by announcing he would send more troops to the region.

His announcement came as the Soviet Union toughened its stance when Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze conceded that military force may be necessary to

liberate Kuwait.

The official Iraqi news agency, INA, quoted official newspapers as saying the gulf region is ''on the brink of a destructive war if Washington will take the risk of a military operation against Iraq.''

''The price of aggression on Iraq would be high and oil would be part of the price,'' INA said, quoting one newspaper as saying Iraqi troops would ''destroy the oil resources for which the Americans had come to plunder and control.''

Saudi Arabia, which contains about 25 percent of the world's known oil reserves, produces 8.2 million barrels of crude a day, most of it sent to the United States, Western Europe and Japan. Kuwait, prior to the Aug. 2 invasion, produced 1.5 million barrels a day.

INA also reported that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein met with an envoy from Cuban President Fidel Castro, who called for a peaceful settlement of the crisis.

The news agency quoted Iraqi officials as denying that Iraq is importing large amounts of medicine in response to an accusation by a U.N. official that Baghdad intended to use the medicine to make biological weapons.

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(NOV. 10) UPI - SATURDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR

(All times EST)

Basketball

Boston at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Houston at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Denver at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Atlanta at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
New York at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.
Golden State at Seattle, 10:30 p.m.

Football

No games scheduled

Golf

Maui, Hawaii - PGA Isuzu Kapalua International

Hockey

Pittsburgh at Boston, 7:05 p.m.
Buffalo at Washington, 7:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at Quebec, 7:35 p.m.
Calgary at NY Islanders, 7:35 p.m.
New Jersey at Montreal, 8:05 p.m.
Chicago at Toronto, 8:05 p.m.
Hartford at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.
Detroit at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Edmonton at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

Tennis
Indianapolis - $150,000 Kraft General Foods
London - $300,000 Silk Cut Championships
Moscow - $330,000 Kremlin Cup
Worcester, Mass. - $350,000 Virginia Slims of New England

Track
Columbus, Ohio - U.S. Men's Marathon

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(NOV. 10) UPI - Defensive specialist Jan Erixon took an offensive role Friday night in helping the New York Rangers stretch their Patrick Division lead with a 3-2 victory over the New Jersey Devils.

Erixon scored a goal and added two assists in New York's three-goal first period. The win improved the Rangers to 13-6 and expanded their lead over second-place Washington to six points.

New York goalie John Vanbiesbrouck stopped 37 shots. John MacLean scored both goals for New Jersey, which suffered its fourth loss in five games.

Erixon's performance indicated that he has recovered from offseason back surgery, which had hampered him for the last three years.

''My strength has returned and I know where my linemates will be on the ice,'' Erixon said. ''Hockey is fun again.''

Erixon, normally assigned to the opposition's high scorer in a checking role, gave the Rangers a 1-0 lead at 4:41 of the first. He beat goaltender Chris Terreri with a 10-footer on his stick side after a rush with Brian Leetch and Mark Janssens.

Erixon then set up Darren Turcotte with a 15-footer in the slot at 13:28, giving the Rangers a 2-0 lead. Turcotte beat Terreri with a shot just under the crossbar.

With less than two minutes left in the period, Erixon and Turcotte set up defenseman James Patrick with a 15-footer that eluded Terreri on his far side, extending the Rangers lead to 3-0.

''A healthy Jan Erixon is a new dimension for this club, one I welcome very much,'' said Rangers coach Roger Neilson. ''He really played well tonight and the puck did what he wanted.''

New Jersey drew within 3-1 22 seconds into the second period when MacLean punched the punk into an open net behind goalie John Vanbiesbrouck. Kirk Muller started the play and Peter Stastny hit MacLean with a goal mouth pass.

MacLean got the Devils within 3-2 with his ninth goal of the season with 25 seconds left in the game. He backhanded the rebound of a point shot by Brendan Shanahan past Vanbiesbrouck.

''Our second goal was a rookie mistake by Jon Morris, and the third goal we got caught on,'' said Devils coach John Cunniff. ''Chris Terreri played well after the first period. I'm not disappointed with the effort we showed, we could have won.''

Elsewhere, Buffalo routed Vancouver 7-1 and Winnipeg edged Hartford 5-4.

Sabres 7, Canucks 1

At Buffalo, N.Y., Donald Audette and Dave Andreychuk each had two goals and an assist, powering Buffalo to a 7-1 victory over Vancouver. Doug Bodger added a goal and two assists to help the Sabres improve to 6-6-4 on the season. Buffalo is 6-2-2 in its last 10 games.

Jets 5, Whalers 4

At Winnipeg, Scott Arniel, Thomas Steen and Greg Paslawski each had a goal and an assist to lead Winnipeg to a 5-4 victory over Hartford. The loss stretched the Whalers' winless sreak to eight games, 0-7-1. Winnipeg was outshot 37-20.

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(NOV. 10) UPI - One of Secretary of State Baker's traveling companions says Baker is convinced the gulf allies will fight alongside G-I's if war is declared against Iraq. Baker surveyed opinion in the Middle East before flying to Europe to do more of the same. He's in Paris now, planning to meet with NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner Saturday. Paris is the seventh stop on Baker's itinerary.

Men fired two grenades at the U-S Embassy compound in Manila Saturday. But officials say NO one was hurt and NOthing was damaged. U-S Embassy spokesman

Stanley Schrager says one of the grenades apparently fired from an M-16 rifle missed the embassy compound and fell into Manila Bay, where it exploded harmlessly. Schrager says another grenade fell on the driveway leading to the chancery, but did NOT explode.

The anti-depressant once hailed as the ''wonder drug of the '90's''... Prozac... is being questioned in the assassination of Rabbi Meir Kahane. A New York City police source says the Egyptian-born Moslem suspected of killing the founder of the Jewish Defense League had been taking Prozac. Eli Lilly, which makes the drug, says clinical trials DON'T show any evidence Prozac causes violent behavior.

The first anniversary of the collapse of the Berlin Wall was much more subdued than that day itself. The reason- the wall is gone. Officials On Friday laid the cornerstone of a memorial to the 77 people who were shot while trying to cross the wall between 1961 and last year. They also unveiled a bronze plaque commemorating the opening of the wall.

Former President Reagan stood beside chunks of the Berlin Wall in Fulton, Missouri, Friday. Winston Churchill's granddaughter created a sculpture out of the concrete. The sculpture is on the site of Churchill's 1946 ''Iron Curtain'' speech at Westminster College. Reagan praised Soviet President Gorbachev for his work in breaking down the barriers between East and West.

Church leaders in Alaska have reached an agreement with Soviet officials to build the first religious center in Magadan, a regional capital in the Soviet Far East. The archbishop of Anchorage, Francis Hurley, says the significance is the expression of openness in the Soviet Union and the Soviet people's interest in religion. The center will be ecumenical.

Lawmakers in Singapore have united behind a government crusade to ensure religious harmony. They passed legislation providing fines up to 10-thousand dollars and prison sentences for up to two years for people who create tension among members of different faiths. Clergymen say the law may stifle dissent. Opposition politicians charge it's a step towards a totalitarian state.

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(NOV. 10) UPI - NBA STANDINGS

Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	3	1	.750	-
Philadelphia	2	1	.667	1/2
New York	2	2	.500	1
Miami	1	2	.333	1 1/2

New Jersey	1	3	.250	2
Washington	1	3	.250	2

Central Division

Milwaukee	4	1	.800	-
Atlanta	3	1	.750	1/2
Indiana	3	1	.750	1/2
Detroit	3	2	.600	1
Charlotte	2	3	.400	2
Chicago	2	3	.400	2
Cleveland	2	3	.400	2

Western Conference

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Dallas	4	1	.800	-
San Antonio	2	1	.667	1
Utah	2	1	.667	1
Houston	2	2	.500	1 1/2
Minnesota	2	3	.400	2
Denver	0	5	.000	4
Orlando	0	5	.000	4

Pacific Division

Portland	4	0	1.000	-
Seattle	3	0	1.000	1/2
Phoenix	2	1	.667	1 1/2
Golden State	3	2	.600	1 1/2
LA Clippers	2	2	.500	2
LA Lakers	1	2	.333	2 1/2
Sacramento	0	4	.000	4

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(NOV. 10) UPI - Two grenades were thrown at the U-S Embassy in Manila today. Officials say there were NO injuries. Unidentified men threw the grenades from a car. An embassy spokesman says one grenade exploded in Manila Bay and another landed in a driveway but did NOT explode.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has closed Freedom National Bank in New York, called the largest minority-owned bank. It was declared insolvent. Depositors are to be paid off Tuesday.

Mary Robinson has been elected Ireland's first female president. Officials say she won by 80-thousand votes. Robinson says she wants closer links with the Northern Irish, particularly Catholics in poor regions.

Striking workers of the New York Daily News used clubs and hammers in an attack on a newspaper delivery truck. Six people including four police were injured.

The federal government has announced plans to build a one-thousand- bed prison within sight of the Capitol Dome. It will relieve overcrowding in the District of Columbia jail.

Workers of the Cape Cod Aquarium in Massachusetts have coaxed four dozen beached whales back to sea. Officials say they chased the whales away with a variety of noises. It is apparently the first time a mass stranding of whales has been prevented.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - FRIDAY'S NBA BOXSCORES

CHICAGO (120) Pippen 4-11 2-4 10, Grant 3-9 2-2 8, Cartwright 1-3 0-0 2, Paxson 2-4 0-0 4, Jordan 17-25 7-8 41, Armstrong 7-14 2-2 16, Perdue 0-1 0-0 0, Levingston 6-7 0-0 12, King 4-7 6-6 14, Hopson 5-10 3-3 13, Williams 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 49-92 22- 25 120.

BOSTON (100) Bird 8-20 7-8 23, Pinckney 3-4 0-0 6, Parish 6-8 4-5 16, Shaw 2-10 1-2 5, Lewis 5-14 1-2 11, McHale 11-17 1-1 24, Brown 2-4 2-2 6, Gamble 2-6 1-1 5, Kleine 2-4 0-0 4, M. Smith 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 41-88 17-21 100.

Chicago	23	37	27	33-120
Boston	31	26	23	20-100

Three-point goals-McHale 1. Fouled out- None. Total fouls-Chicago 21, Boston 21. Rebounds-Chicago 45 (Levingston 12), Boston 40 (Parish 9). Assists-Chicago 29 (Pippen 10), Boston 26 (Shaw 7). Technicals-None. A-14,890.

MILWAUKEE (108) Robertson 7-13 7-7 21, Humphries 8-14 8-8 24, Brickowski 6-9 2-4 14, Roberts 3-5 0-0 6, Sikma 3-10 1-1 7, Pierce 9-17 6-7 25, Anderson 0-1 0-0 0, Schayes 3-5 1-2 7, Grayer 1-5 2-2 4, Lohaus 0-0 0-0 0, Henson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-79 27-31 108.

WASHINGTON (100) Robinson 2-5 0-2 4, Walker 7-12 7-10 00, Grant 6-9 0-2 12, King 14-26 6-6 34, Jones 0-10 0-0 0, Ellison 3-8 1-2 7, English 4-8 6-8 14, Alarie 2-6 1-2 6, Hammonds 1-1 0-0 2, Workman 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-76 21-32 100.

Milwaukee	34	24	22	28-108
Washington	31	17	27	25-100

Three-point goals-Alarie. Fouled out- none. Total fouls-Milwaukee 27, Washington 29. Rebounds-Milwaukee 38 (Sikma 7), Washington 33 (Walker 9). Assists-Milwaukee 17 (Robertson 5), Washington 26 (English 6). A-9,829.

CLEVELAND (107) Brown 5-7 1-1 11, Nance 7-14 2-4 16, Daugherty 4-12 2-4 10, Paddio 5-8 1-2 11, Price 7-14 0-0 16, Ehlo 10-13 0-2 21, Bennett 0-0 0-0 0, J. Williams 6-11 3-8 15, Ferry 2-3 2-2 7, Curr 0- 2 0-0 0. Totals 46-84 11-23 107.

INDIANA (122) Person 9-18 0-2 22, Thompson 3-5 0-0 6, Smits 4-5 2-6 10, Fleming 5-9 4-8 14, Miller 10-17 5-7 28, Schrempf 8-10 4-4 20, Sanders 1-5 2-2 4, M. Williams 0-2 4-4 4, McCloud 2-3 0-0 5, K. Williams 4-4 1-1 9, Dreiling 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 46-78 22-34 122.

Cleveland	27	28	22	30-107
Indiana	28	32	27	35-122

Three-point shots-Person (4), Miller (3), Price (2), Ehlo, Ferry, McCloud. Fouled out-None. Total Fouls-Cleveland 28, Indiana 23. Rebounds-Cleveland 31 (Nance 9), Indiana 43 (Schrempf 11). Assists- Cleveland 25 (Price 7), Indiana 24 (Fleming 10). Technicals-Cleveland, illegal defense. A-10,825.

CHARLOTTE (77) Newman 5-11 6-6 16, Reid 6-10 2-2 14, Gilliam 2-9 1-2 5, Bogues 2-8 0-0 4, Chapman 3-9 2-6 8, Curry 1-7 0-0 2, Keys 3-7 0-0 6, Gattison 3-5 2-3 8, Gill 2-8 2-2 6, Scheffler 0-0 0-0 0, Tripucka 2- 3 4-4 8, Hoppen 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 29-77 19-25 77.

MINNESOTA (106) Murphy 2-6 0-0 4, Corbin 8-16 4-4 20, Breuer 4- 8 0-0 8, Campbell 9-22 8-11 26, Richardson 7-15 4-5 18, Mitchell 2-4 1-3 5, Spencer 3-3 2-2 8, Brooks 2-4 2-2 6, Coffey 0-0 0-0 0, Glass 2-4 2-2 6, West 2-2 1-1 5, Thomas 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 41- 84 24-30 106.

Charlotte	14	13	22	28- 77
Minnesota	27	18	19	42-106

Three-point goals-None. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Charlotte 21, Minnesota 23. Rebounds-Charlotte 45 (Reid 10), Minnesota 58 (Corbin 13). Assists-Charlotte 18 (Bogues 8), Minnesota 27 (Richardson 13). Technical fouls-Charlotte (illegal defense). A-19,006.

ORLANDO (99) Scott 4-6 0-0 9, Catledge 3-8 2-4 8, Kite 4-8 1-1 9, Vincent 6-11 2-2 14, Anderson 12-21 3-5 29, Smith 5-11 3-6 14, Reynolds 0-2 0-0 0,

Ansley 4- 8 3-4 11, Skiles 2-6 1-2 5, Acres 0-0 0-0 0, Turner 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-81 15-24 99.

DALLAS (111) McCray 4-6 4-4 12, Tarpley 3-6 0-0 6, Donaldson 5-11 3-4 13, Harper 9-17 2-3 22, Blackman 14-24 6-6 34, English 2-8 0-0 4, Davis 2-4 2-2 6, Williams 5-10 2-2 12, White 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 45-89 19-21 111.

Orlando	27	24	23	25-- 99
Dallas	27	25	29	30--111

Three-point goals-Scott, Anderson 2, Smith, Harper 2. Fouled out-none. Total Fouls- Orlando 24, Dallas 22. Rebounds-Orlando 48 (Kite 10), Dallas 38 (McCray 10). Assists- Orlando 21 (Vincent 12), Dallas 27 (Harper 9). Technicals-Dallas Coach Adubato. A-16, 760.

SEATTLE (135) McKey 6-12 5-6 17, McDaniel 10-20 7-12 27, Cage 3-7 0-4 6, Payton 6-12 1-4 13, Threatt 7-17 0-0 14, Barros 9-13 3-3 21, Kemp 3-6 8-8 14, Polynice 8-14 1-4 17, Dailey 3-6 0-0 6, McMillan 0-0 0-0 0. Totals: 55-107 25-41 135.

DENVER (129) Woolridge 12-21 6-8 30, Davis 18-32 3-4 41, Rasmussen 5-14 1-1 11, Johnson 1-4 4-6 6, Lichti 10-22 2-3 23, Gaines 2-12 3-4 7, Dunn 0-2 0-0 0, Cook 3-7 3-3 9, Liberty 1-2 0-0 2, Wolf 0-4 0-0 0. Totals: 52-120 22-29 129.

Seattle	36	27	32	40-135
Denver	29	27	30	43-129

Three-point goals-Davis 2, Lichti. Fouled out-Kemp. Total fouls-Seattle 26, Denver 27. Rebounds-Seattle 55 (McKey 12), Denver 57 (Rasmussen 14). Assists-Seattle 26 (Payton 10), Denver 28 (Gaines 11). Technical fouls-none. A-10,571.

SACRAMENTO (86) Simmons 7-15 1-2 15, Tisdale 8-19 1-2 17, Wennington 1-7 0-0 2, Hansen 7-12 2-3 18, Sparrow 6-10 0-0 12, Colter 1-1 1-2 4, Leckner 5-10 0-0 10, Mays 2-8 0-0 4, Causwell 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 39-84 5-9 86.

LA LAKERS (100) Green 5-8 3-3 13, Worthy 8-18 2-3 18, Divac 3-7 4-7 10, Johnson 5-9 14-15 25, Scott 2-8 4-4 8, Perkins 4-6 0-0 9, Teagle 5-12 0-0 10, Drew 0-3 0-0 0, Smith 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 34-75 30-35.

Sacramento	19	28	19	20- 86
LA Lakers	23	33	22	22-100

Three-point goals-Hansen 2, Colter, Johnson, Perkins. Fouled out-None. Total

fouls-Sacramento 30, LA Lakers 16. Rebounds-Sacramento 30 (Tisdale 8), LA Lakers 51 (Divac 16). Assists-Sacramento 24 (Mays 7), LA Lakers 21 (Johnson 13). Technicals-Kings Coach Motta, Sacramento 3 (illegal defense). A-15,618.

ATLANTA (128) Wilkins 8-19 5-8 21, Willis 7-12 1-2 15, Malone 3-6 9-10 15, Rivers 5-10 1-2 13, Robinson 4-7 0-1 8, Battle 6-10 3-4 15, McCormick 3-4 4-4 10, Moncrief 2-4 4-4 9, Ferrell 3-3 1-2 7, Wilson 0-1 0-0 0, Webb 5-14 4-4 15. Totals 46-90 32-41 128.

GOLDEN STATE (143) Mullin 14-17 12-15 40, Tolbert 2-11 4-4 8, Lister 3-6 0-1 6, Hardaway 11-22 5-5 28, Richmond 13-19 2-2 29, Hill 3-4 0-0 6, Marciulionis 3-6 4-4 10, Johnson 2-5 1-2 5, Higgins 5-10 1-4 11, Pritchard 0-3 0-0 0, Jepsen 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 56- 103 29-37 143.

Atlanta	30	47	20	31-128
Golden State	43	26	40	34-143

Three-point goals-Rivers 2, Moncrief, Webb, Hardaway, Richmond. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Atlanta 28, Golden State 28. Rebounds-Atlanta 40 (Willis 10) Golden State 52 (Lister 11). Assists-Atlanta 21 (Wilkins, Malone 6), Golden State 28 (Hardaway 12). Technicals-Willis, Rivers; Golden State 2 (illegal defense). A-15,025.

DETROIT (101) Aguirre 11-25 8-9 30, Laimbeer 4-7 1-1 10, Edwards 4-14 0-0 8, Dumars 5-14 1-2 11, Thomas 2-8 2-2 6, Rodman 2-3 1-3 5, Johnson 8-14 0-0 21, Salley 1-2 1-2 3, Bedford 0-1 0-0 0, Blanks 3-5 0-0 7. Totals 40-93 14-19 101.

PORTLAND (113) Kersey 4-11 3-6 11, Williams 3-5 0-0 6, Duckworth 12-17 3-3 27, Drexler 6-15 5-5 17, Porter 10-14 5-6 28, Ainge 6-8 2-2 15, Robinson 4-7 0-0 8, Cooper 0-1 0-0 0, Bryant 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 45-79 19-24 113.

Detroit	18	22	28	33-101
Portland	26	30	33	24-113

Three-point goals-Laimbeer, Johnson 5, Blanks, Porter 3, Ainge. Fouled out-Williams. Total fouls-Detroit 25, Portland 22. Rebounds-Detroit 34 (Rodman 12), Portland 44 (Kersey 11). Assists-Detroit 20 (Thomas 9), Portland 29 (Porter 10). Technical-Laimbeer. A-12,884.

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(NOV. 10) UPI - FRIDAY'S NHL SUMMARIES

Vancouver	1	0	0--1
Buffalo	3	2	2--7

First period-1, Buffalo, Kennedy 1 (Audette, Turgeon) :40. 2, Buffalo, Audette 2 (Andreychuk) 3:55. 3, Buffalo, Makela 2 (Mogilny, Bodger) sh, 6:58. 4, Vancouver, Lumme 3 (Sandlak) 15:20. Penalties- Plavsic, Van, 1:02; Hogue, Buf, 5:49; Butcher, Van, 11:26; Butcher, Van, 14:06; Ray, Buf, 14:06.

Second period-5, Buffalo, Andreychuk 6 (unassisted) 2:38. 6, Buffalo, Audette 3 (Bodger, Malarchuk) pp, 4:38. Penalties- Quinn, Van, 3:18; Miller, Buf, 4:50; McBain, Van, minor-major (fighting), 7:25; Ray, Buf, major (fighting), 7:25; Agnew, Van, 13:26; Brown, Buf, 16:14; Agnew, Van, 18:34; Butcher, Van, 19:47.

Third period-7, Buffalo, Bodger 2 (Hogue, Mogilny) 1:52. 8, Buffalo, Andreychuk 7 (Ruuttu, Foligno) 15:52. Penalties- Butcher, Van, major-misconduct-game misconduct (fighting), 2:12; Ray, Buf, minor-major (fighting), 2:12; McBain, Van, major-five minute match (fighting), 4:33; Miller, Buf, minor-major-game misconduct (fighting), 4:33; Tucker, Buf, 6:03; Bodger, Buf, 8:01; Ray, Buf, 17:11.

Shots on Goal-Vancouver, 4-3-9-16. Buffalo 15-11-8-34.
Goaltenders-Vancouver, McLean, Weeks
(1:06 1st per). Buffalo, Malarchuk. A-16, 325.
Power-play conversions-Vancouver, 3-0. Buffalo, 7-1.
Referee-Andy vanHellemond.

NY Rangers	3	0	0-3
New Jersey	0	1	1-2

First period-1, NY Rangers, Erixon 3 (Leetch, Janssens), 4:31. 2, NY Rangers, Turcotte 8 (Erixon), 13:28. 3, NY Rangers, Patrick 4 (Turcotte, Erixon), 18:27. Penalties-Vanbiesbrouck, NYR (served by King), 8:39; Boschman, NJ, 8:39; Hardy NYR, 19:08.

Second period-4, New Jersey, MacLean 8 (Stastny, Muller), pp, 0:22. Penalties- Mallette, NYR, 1:48; Maley, NJ, 1:48; Fetisov, NJ, 2:08; Mallette, NYR, minor-major (fighting), 12:51; Maley, NJ, minor- major (fighting), 12:51.

Third period-5, New Jersey, MacLean 9 (Shanahan, Stastny), 19:35. Penalties- Miller, NYR, double minor, 17:37; Maley, NJ, double minor 17:37.

Shots on goal-New York Rangers 9-7-5-21 New Jersey 11-12-16-39.
Power-play conversions-NY Rangers 1-0. New Jersey 1-1.
Goaltenders-NY Rangers, Vanbiesbrouck. New Jersey, Terreri. A-19,040.
Referee-Dan Marouelli.

Hartford 1 1 2-4
Winnipeg 2 3 0-5

First period-1, Winnipeg, Steen 5 (Olausson, Housley), pp, 7:31. 2, Winnipeg, Kumpel 1 (Steen), 12:46. 3, Hartford, Verbeek 5 (Dineen), 19:04.Penalties- Elynuik, Wpg, 1:02; Fenton, Wpg, 3:53; Jennings, Har, 7:10; Duncan, Wpg, 13:15; Baca, Har, 16:12; Cyr, Har, 19:18.

Second period-4, Winnipeg, Paslawski 3 (McLlwain, Arniel), 2:04. 5, Winnipeg, Arniel 2 (Numminen, McLlwain), 5:42. 6, Hartford, Ferraro 2 (Samuelsson, Cunneyworth), 6:21. 7, Winnipeg, Carlyle 3 (Paslawski, Evans), pp, 8:34. Penalties- Ladouceur, Har, 6:52; Cole, Wpg, 17:55.

Third period-8, Hartford, Verbeek 6 (Tomlak, Ladouceur), 0:24. 9, Hartford, Dineen 6 (Evason, Kastelic), 10:01. Penalties-Cronin, Wpg, 1:08; Evason, Har, 6:07.

Shots on goal-Hartford 15-12-10-37. Winnipeg 5-11-4-20.
Power-play conversions-Hartford 6-0. Winnipeg 5-2.
Goaltenders-Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. Winnipeg, Essensa. A-12,175.
Referee-Paul Devorski.

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(NOV. 9) UPI - The Portland Trail Blazers have a new weapon this season in their attempt to wrest the NBA title from the Detroit Pistons: Danny Ainge.

Ainge, traded by the Sacramento Kings to the Trail Blazers in August, came off the bench and scored 15 points and had three steals, helping Portland to a 113-101 victory Friday night over the Pistons.

The Trail Blazers recorded their 21st straight, regular season victory over the Pistons, whom they lost to in five games in the NBA Finals last season. Detroit won three straight games in Portland to capture the title.

But Portland added the 6-foot-5 Ainge, who entered his 10th NBA season averaging 12.4 points per game.

''Danny Ainge makes Portland a much deeper team,'' Detroit's Joe Dumars said.''He's a championship player and a respected backcourt player in this league. They were a good team anyway and he just adds to that.''

Terry Porter scored 28 points and Kevin Duckworth added 27 to keep Portland undefeated (4-0) this season.

''I didn't have to be sold on the idea that Portland was a great team, but now they have even more weapons,'' Detroit's Vinnie Johnson said. ''Danny Ainge brings a lot of experience and a lot of leadership to this club. He's got that championship quality.''

Portland appeared to have the game under control when they took an 89-68 lead into the fourth period.

But Detroit opened the quarter with a 12-3 run, with all 12 points coming on Johnson's four 3-pointers - a team record for one quarter. The last of Johnson's long-range bombs cut Portland's lead to 92-80.

The Pistons drew to within 104-95 with 3:50 left on a Joe Dumars' fast-break basket. But that was the closest Detroit could get.

''This was a tremendous win,'' Portland Coach Rick Adelman said. ''The first three periods were as good as we can be defensively. We were so active and it set the tone for the game.''

Elsewhere in the NBA, Chicago routed Boston 120-100, Milwaukee defeated Washington 108-100, Indiana iced Cleveland 122-107, Minnesota trampled Charlotte 106-77, Dallas defeated Orlando 111-99, Seattle slipped by Denver 135-129, the LA Lakers beat Sacramento 100-86, and Golden State outlasted Atlanta 143-128.

Bulls 120, Celtics 100

At Boston, Michael Jordan scored 25 of his 41 points in the second half and Chicago handed the Celtics their first loss of the season.

Bucks 108, Bullets 100

At Landover, Md., Ricky Pierce scored 25 points and Jay Humphries added 24 - 20 in the first half - to pace Milwaukee to its fourth straight victory sincesuffering a season-opening defeat.

Pacers 122, Cavaliers 107

At Indianapolis, Reggie Miller scored 27 points, 12 of them in the fourth quarter, to spark Indiana. Craig Ehlo led the Cavaliers with 21 points.

Timberwolves 106, Hornets 77

At Minneapolis, Tony Campbell scored 26 points and Minnesota snapped a three-game losing streak. The margin of victory was the largest in the Timberwolves' two-year history.

Mavericks 111, Magic 99

At Dallas, Rolando Blackman's 34 points helped rally Dallas over winless Orlando on a night in which the Mavericks lost two players to knee injuries. In the first quarter, forward Roy Tarpley collapsed on a rebound attempt with what was diagnosed as a slipped kneecap. The kneecap was popped back in place after Tarpley was carried to the locker room, but team doctor Pat Evans said the 7-foot forward would be lost for at least two weeks. Prior to the game it was decided guard Fat Lever would have to undergo arthroscopic surgery on his right knee next week, which will keep him out of action for three to six weeks.

Super Sonics 135, Nuggets 129

At Denver, Xavier McDaniel scored 27 points and Dana Barros contributed 21 off the bench to lead Seattle to its first victory over the Nuggets in the regular season since Nov. 30, 1985. Denver dropped to 0-5 under new Coach Paul Westhead.

Lakers 100, Kings 86

At Inglewood, Calif., Magic Johnson scored 25 points to lead the Lakers to their first victory of the season and keep Sacramento winless. James Worthy contributed 18 points and Vlade Divac pulled down a career- high 16 rebounds for the Lakers, who recorded their 42nd consecutive victory over the Kings at home, including two playoff games.

Warriors 143, Hawks 128

At Oakland, Calif., Chris Mullin scored 40 points to help Golden State hand Atlanta its first loss of the season. Mullin made 14 of 17 field goal attempts and was 12 of 15 from the free-throw line. He scored eight points during a 15-4 third-quarter run that helped the Warriors turn an 81-71 deficit into an 86-85 advantage.

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(NOV. 10) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

Kuwait's allies see NO way to get Iraq out of the occupied country without war. Iran's president said at prayers he saw NO signs of a peaceful solution. Iraq also said the region is on ''the brink'' of war.'' One of Secretary of State Baker's traveling companions said Soviet leaders are NO more optimistic than U-S officials that war can be avoided.

Baker is in Paris today... meeting with NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner to discuss both the Persian Gulf and East- West relations.

The U-S Embassy in the Philippine capital was attacked today for the second time in 11 months. Two grenades were fired at the seaside embassy in Manila. But one missed the compound and the other grenade failed to explode. NO one was hurt... and NO damage was done.

The grenade attack occurred one day after the Philippines and the United States adjourned a second round of talks on the future of six U-S military bases.

Dissident leader Chandra Shekhar was sworn in as India's eighth prime minister today... three days after the resignation of the man he helped run out of office. Shekhar replaced V.P. Singh, who lost a parliamentary vote of confidence and resigned. Shekhar's deputy is a man Singh fired from the same job.

Lebanese army troops are fanning out over the Beirut area today... trying to end more than 15 years of militia rule. The Lebanese army wants to take the capital away from two warring militias- Christian and Moslem. Officials hope to have a unified and militia-free Beirut by November 19th.

The Chicago River had more than a few fish in it for awhile yesterday. An alleged bank robber threw about one-thousand dollars into the river as he tried to flee from police. A Citibank teller was held up. Police recovered about four-thousand dollars. But they are NOT sure they got all the money out of the river.

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SPEYER, GERMANY (NOV. 10) UPI - Several thousand people, waving banners and chanting ''Gorby, Gorby'' gave Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev a rousing welcome Saturday as he walked across the picturesque town square of Speyer to visit a 1,000 year-old cathedral.

''He's a great guy. He's made unification possible,'' said Heiner Grussrat, 74 who had stood for hours crushed in the tightly-packed crowd to catch a glimpse of the Soviet leader.

Heavy police protection was in evidence throughout the small central German town as a smiling, laughing Gorbachev walked across the square with German Chancellor Helmut Kohl after alighting from an armored bus.

The cathedral bells rang out at 1 p.m. as the officials waved to the enthusiastic crowd before entering the Romanesque building to view the tombs of eight German kings and emperors.

''It looks like he is more popular here than back home,'' said Grussrat, in reference to Gorbachev's sinking support in the Soviet Union, which is beset

by growing economic troubles.

A woman among the 2,000 to 3,000 people in the square held a banner bearing the words, in Russian, ''We wish you good health and all the best''.

''I think he needs it,'' said Monika Bauer, 47, pointing at her banner.

In a lone protest, one man held a Soviet flag with the hammer and sickle crossed out.

After visiting the cathedral, Gorbachev and his wife, Raisa, were due to travel to nearby Deidesheim, for a lunch that will feature Kohl's favorite dish of saumagen - stuffed pig's stomach.

In a somewhat obscure protest, presumably organized by an animal right's group two small aircraft circled over the square before Gorbachev's arrival, trailing banners that read ''Gorbynyet: Kohl's Saumagen'' and ''Love animals, don't eat them.''

The Gorbachev's are also due to visit Kohl's Oggersheim home in the Rhineland-Palatinate state, before flying back to the Soviet Union Saturday evening.

Friday, the two men signed a cooperation treaty that formalizes the new relationship between the Soviet Union and Germany that emerged during the past year of dramatic change.

''We have given up the Cold War as an instrument for the resolution of international problems and are now looking for a new instrument,'' Gorbachev told a news conference.

Speaking after the signing, Gorbachev said, ''We see a new role to be played by our two states in the restructuring of international relations - but there are also great dangers every time you turn around human relations.''

Kohl described Gorbachev's visit, which coincided with celebrations marking the first anniversary of the Nov. 9, 1989, opening of the Berlin Wall, as ''a milestone in the relations between our two people.''

Although Gorbachev is not expected to directly seek any German credits, economic relations and German assistance to the Soviet program of economic changes are the main focus of the visit.

Gorbachev thanked Kohl for urging Germans to consider Soviet troops stationed in eastern Germany as ''a friendly force.''

The 380,000 troops are to leave former East Germany within four years and it was not immediately clear whether the two leaders discussed the possibility of

speeding up the process as anticipated.

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(NOV. 10) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE USA - SATURDAY

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	56	36	....
Anchorage sy	07	03	....
Asheville pc	43	41	1.23
Atlanta w	50	44	1.00
Baltimore r	53	48	.95
Billings mc	63	50	....
Birmingham dpc	53	45	1.85
Bismarck cy	45	24	....
Boston r	50	43	....
Brownsville sy	70	44	....
Buffalo mc	45	37	..41
Burlington Vt. r	40	36	..06
Charleston S.C. mc	73	66	..44
Charlotte mc	48	45	2.23
Chicago fg	40	33	..01
Cincinnati pc	42	37	..74
Cleveland mc	47	39	..29
Columbus Ohio mc	48	39	..43
Dallas f	64	38	....
Denver sy	60	36	....
Des Moines cy	50	32	....
Detroit pc	44	37	..04
Duluth pc	40	29	....
El Paso sy	60	33	....
Evansville pc	41	38	..24
Fargo pc	38	18	..01
Hartford r	47	38	..01
Honolulu sy	86	70	....
Houston sy	61	38	....
Indianapolis pc	40	34	..11
Jackson Miss. sy	59	41	1.00
Jacksonville mc	83	66	1.03
Kansas City sy	55	35	....
Las Vegas sy	75	48	....
Little Rock sy	51	41	..04
Los Angeles sy	88	60	....
Louisville pc	45	39	..81
Memphis pc	44	36	..96
Miami Beach cy	83	73	..22
Milwaukee pc	39	31	..11

Minneapolis pc	47	28	....
Nashville pc	49	38	2.42
New Orleans sy	70	48	1.30
New York r	51	48	....
Oklahoma City sy	60	39	....
Omaha pc	48	31	....
Orlando mc	82	69	..33
Philadelphia r	51	47	..40
Phoenix sy	83	57	....
Pittsburgh r	48	40	..61
Portland Me. r	48	35	....
Portland Ore. pc	63	58	....
Providence r	51	36	....
Richmond r	53	52	1.08
St. Louis sy	48	34	....
Salt Lake City sy	60	40	....
San Antonio sy	65	36	....
San Diego sy	81	59	....
San Francisco sy	78	51	....
San Juan sy	89	75	....
Seattle r	56	53	2.80
Spokane w	53	49	....
Tampa mc	85	71	..23
Washington r	53	49	1.31
Wichita sy	59	35	....

c-clear	cl-clearing	cy-cloudy	f-fair
fy-foggy	hz-haze	m-missing	pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy	r-rain	sh-showers	sm-smoke
sn-snow	sy-sunny	ts-thunderstorms	w-windy

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#90314u0215 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 10) UPI - Attackers fired grenades at the U.S. Embassy and gunmen ambushed and killed three policemen in separate incidents Saturday on the eve of President Corazon Aquino's departure for Tokyo, authorities said.

Armed forces chief Gen. Renato de Villa placed the 159,000 troops on red alert - the maximum state of preparedness - on the eve of Aquino's departure Sunday to attend the enthronement of Emperor Akihito.

Aquino, who has crushed seven rebellions, has shrugged off threats of another coup attempt to fly to Tokyo as a gesture of gratitude for Japan's economic aid to her debt-strapped government.

U.S. Embassy spokesman Stanley Schrager said about 6:50 a.m. Saturday, two

grenades were fired at the U.S. Embassy, apparently by someone riding in a passing vehicle. One grenade fell into Manila Bay behind the embassy and exploded harmlessly, while another landed on a driveway but did not explode.

No one has claimed responsibility for the attack a day after the Philippines and the United States adjourned a second round of talks on the future of six U.S. military bases in the country.

Special U.S. negotiator Richard Armitage left Friday after the two- day talks on the bases, whose lease is due to expire on Sept. 16, 1991.

The communist New People's Army opposes a renewal of American basing rights and has vowed to attack Americans unless Washington withdraws its 14,500 servicemen from the Philippines.

Schrager refused to speculate on who might be behind Saturday's attack, the second attack on an embassy property in 11 months. Last December, two rifle-fired grenades hit the embassy's Seafront Compound, a housing and recreation center about a mile from the main embassy compound along Roxas boulevard. Schrager said it was presumed communist guerrillas were behind the December attack, but this had not been established.

Saturday evening, Philippine authorities said five men firing assault rifles from a four-wheel-drive vehicle killed three policemen in their patrol car in suburban Mandaluyong town. Two bystanders were wounded, police said.

Mandaluyong Mayor Benjamin Abalos said the attackers' vehicle came alongside the patrol car and peppered it with gunfire. Abalos said the assailants got out and kept firing at the police car before taking the policemen's guns and speeding away.

He said a passing police car chased the attackers and fired at them. The attackers' vehicle was found later with bloodstains inside.

It was not clear if the two incidents Saturday were related, but authorities said the violence signaled an attempt either by leftist or rightist rebels to destabilize the government during Aquino's two-day absence.

More than 40 bombings have hit the capital since Aug. 13. The incidents were blamed on rebel soldiers who have tried seven times to oust Aquino.

Friday night, two people were wounded when a bomb rocked the China Airlines office in Manila's downtown China Town.

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#90314u0221 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

CALCUTTA, IN (NOV. 10) UPI - A Thai Airways Airbus jet on a flight from the

Burmese capital city of Rangoon to Bangkok was hijacked Saturday and landed in the eastern Indian city of Calcutta, airport officials said.

Hijackers threatened to blow up the plane if anyone approached it, officials said. A tight security cordon was erected around the plane, which had more than 200 passengers on board, they said.

The hijackers took control of the Thai Airways Airbus as it was enroute from Rangoon to Bangkok, forcing the aircraft captain to India, where the plane landed at about 3:45 p.m. at Dum Dum airport in the West Bengal state capital city of Calcutta.

The Press Trust of India news agency said one of the hijackers, apparently the group's leader, wanted to speak to Burmese and Thai diplomats or with Indian government officials.

It said the pilot of the aircraft used his fingers to make the sign of an ''H'' to Calcutta airport security officials, who erected a security cordon around the plane.

No further details were immediately available, including the number of hijackers or their identity.

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#90314u0222 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 10) UPI - Lenny Dykstra blasted a solo homer and Dave Stewart pitched a seven-hitter over seven innings Saturday, pacing a team of U.S. All-Stars to a 3-2 victory over Japanese All-Stars.

The U.S. major leagues stand 2-4-1 against Japanese teams in an eight-day Super Major Series. The final game is scheduled for Sunday at the Tokyo Dome.

Ken Griffey Jr. singled and scored the game-winning run in the eighth on reliever Kasuhiko Daimon's wild pitche.

Cecil Fielder, who played in Japan before joining the Detroit Tigers this year scored the first run on shortstop Takahito Ikeyam's throwing error in the fourth inning.

Dykstra's fifth-inning homer made it 2-0, but the Japanese tied it in the seventh on RBI hits by Atsuya Furuta and Koki Akiyama.

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#90314u0229 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 10) UPI - Portions of central Florida cleaned up Saturday from thunderstorms and tornadoes that damaged mobile homes and businesses, while

much of the area east of the Mississippi was plagued with heavy rain and lcoal flooding, the National Weather Service reported.

High winds were a problem in the high country of the Northwest.

Tornadoes touchdown Friday evening south of Sebring, Fla., damaging mobile homes, a dozen automobiles and commercial buildings. One person was slightly hurt.

Twisters downed power lines, trees and some buildings at Maitland and Sanford, Fla., injuring at least nine people, one of them seriously enough to warrant hospitalization. Another twister touched down near Daytona Beach.Rainwater was waist-high in Jacksonville, Fla.

Flood watches and warnings were raised for the mountains of northeastern Georgia, southwestern Virginia, portions of Pennslvyania, New Jersey, New York New Hampshire and much of Maine. A flood warning remained over western Washington

Rain also spread through Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, North and South Carolina, Maryland, West Virginia, Indiana and Ohio. It rained in lower Michigan, southern North Dakota and the Idaho Panhandle.

High wind warnings prevailed Friday in the high country of western Washington, eastern Montana, northeastern Wyoming and the foothills of Colorado.

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(NOV. 10) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE WORLD - SATURDAY

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Nov. 10:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	51	10
Amsterdam cy	1pm	46	07
Ankara c	3pm	43	06
Athens pc	2pm	54	12
Auckland cy	12m	62	16
Beijing c	8pm	41	05
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	44	07
Bonn cy	1pm	43	06
Brussels cy	1pm	50	10
Cairo pc	2pm	73	22
Casablanca c	12n	68	20
Copenhagen cy	1pm	41	05

Dakar pc	12n	85	29
Dublin pc	1pm	57	14
Geneva cy	1pm	44	07
Helsinki c	2pm	41	05
Hong Kong cy	8pm	67	19
Jerusalem c	2pm	60	16
Karachi c	5pm	84	29
Lisbon fg	1pm	60	15
London cy	1pm	57	14
Madrid pc	1pm	55	13
Malta pc	1pm	68	20
Manila pc	8pm	84	28
Moscow c	3pm	35	01
Nairobi cy	3pm	74	23
Nassau pc	7am	80	27
New Delhi c	6pm	80	27
Nice cy	1pm	58	14
Oslo cy	1pm	30	-01
Paris c	1pm	55	13
Pretoria c	2pm	89	31
Riyadh	3pm	91	33
Rome c	1pm	59	15
Seoul c	9pm	31	00
Sofia c	2pm	42	06
Stockholm cy	1pm	37	02
Sydney c	10pm	71	22
Taipei r	8pm	61	16
Tokyo c	9pm	57	14
Tunis c	1pm	71	21
Vienna c	1pm	49	09
Warsaw pc	1pm	37	03
Latin America			
Buenos Aires c	9am	72	22
Caracas pc	8am	73	23
Havana cy	7am	73	22
Lima	7am	-	-
Mexico City r	6am	50	10
Rio de Janeiro pc	9am	81	27
Santiago cy	8am	52	11
Canada			
Calgary cy		28	-02
Edmonton pc		37	03
Montreal r		37	02
Ottawa cy		35	01
Regina cy		35	01
Toronto cy		43	06

Vancouver r	51	10
Winnipeg c	37	02

c-clear cy-cloudy d-dust fy-foggy
hz-haze pc-partly cloudy r-rain s-snow
w-windy

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#90314u0248 11/10/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 10) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker, finishing a foreign tour seeking a mandate for use of force against Iraq, met with French President Francois Mitterrand Saturday and affirmed the alliance against Iraq remained strong. Baghdad meanwhile slammed Baker as a warmonger.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, speaking at the end of Baker's eight-nation seven-day tour, also accused Baker of failing to raise the Palestinian issue during his Middle East-European tour, and slammed Washington for doing nothing to defend Lebanese sovereignty from Syrian intervention.

''Baker showed his true colors as a warmonger during his shuttle visits,'' Baghdad Radio quoted Aziz as saying. ''During these visits, he never once mentioned the numerous U.N. Security Council resolutions calling on Israel to withdraw from Arab lands.''

Aziz noted President Bush has said he is sending more troops for offensive purposes as part of the U.S.-led international force deployed in the Persian Gulf region after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

As such, Aziz said Arab states like Egypt, Syria and Saudio Arabia ''can no longer hide behind the facade that they are defending peace ... for they are helping to prepare for war.''

Aziz, a Protestant Christian and one of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's most faithful ministers, called on Arab states which have sent troops to the gulf to reconsider their position before it was too late ''if they really do not want to be a part of American designs for the region.''

Baker told reporters in Paris after 90 minutes of talks Saturday with Mitterrand that the international alliance confronting Iraq was ''strong and united, and will remain so,'' Arab radio stations said.

The U.S. envoy arrived in Paris late Friday from London, where Prime MinisterMargaret Thatcher said the military option would be used if Iraq remained in Kuwait. Paris was the last leg of an eight-nation, seven-day whirlwind quest for a mandate for the possible use of military force against Iraq.

Baker reportedly received reassurances from Britain, Saudi Arabia and Egypt that they are willing to go to war against Iraq if that is necessary.

But a recent opinion poll showed 51 percent of French people are against the idea of going to war with Iraq, a traditional ally of France.

And in Damascus, Syria - where Vice-President Abdulhalim Khaddam recently said Syrian troops in Saudi Arabia were deployed only to defend the kingdom and not to attack Iraq - three Arab foreign ministers continued talks for the second consecutive day Saturday.

The foreign ministers of Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia began talks on the crisis Friday and were to head for the Syrian Mediterranean resort of Latakia later Saturday to meet with Syrian leader Hafez al Assad.

Assad, vacationing in Latakia, has pledged to send as many as 20,000 Syrian troops and armor to Saudi Arabia. Egypt already has between 15, 000 and 20,000 troops in Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, and has pledged more troops and jet fighters.

''The three men are expected to discuss with Assad the options for resolving the gulf crisis,'' one Western diplomat said.

Baker, during talks earlier this week with Saudi leaders, formulated a provisional command structure in case of war, but Washington would still have to seek Saudi permission to attack Baghdad from Saudi territory.

In Amman, Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen met Saturday with Jordanian leaders before planned talks in Baghdad with Saddam.

''These talks are crucial because (Qian) will probably be the last important politician from a country with a permanent seat on the Security Council to talk to Saddam, and explain to him the folly of his ways,'' Riyadh Radio said.

Amman Radio said Qian told reporters after talks with Jordanian Foreign Minister Marwan al Qassim that China opposed Iraq's occupation of Kuwait and was calling for intensified efforts to solve the crisis peacefully.

Qian, who arrived in Amman Friday from Saudi Arabia as part of a regional tour also said no draft resolution had been submitted to the United Nations to use military force against Iraq. ''Such a draft resolution needs detailed consultations and cannot be tabled for a vote easily,'' he said.

In Riyadh, Saudi newspapers carried extensive reports Saturday on King Fahd's promise to move toward greater democracy for the conservative kingdom. Riyadh Radio quoted Fahd, in power for eight years, as saying a final draft of plans to set up a central and provincial consultative council was being prepared.

The monarch made a similar pledge to create a consultative council two years after the eruption of the 1980-1988 Iran-Iraq war, saying he wanted to allow his countrymen a greater share in decision-making.

In the United Arab Emirates meanwhile, Kuwait's exiled Defense Minister Sheikh Nawaf al Ahmad al Sabah attended a graduation ceremony for hundreds of Kuwaiti volunteers who spent time in military training for what officials described as the eventual liberation of their homeland.

And in Cairo, Egypt's outlawed Moslem Brotherhood issued a statement callingthe foreign troop deployment ''a threat to the Islamic nation and a boost for the Zionist enemy.''

''We are opposed to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, but we also oppose the presence of foreign troops in the region,'' the statement said. The group, however, said it would work for a peaceful solution to the crisis.

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#90314u0250 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (NOV. 10) UPI - Civil rights leaders and historians Saturday defended the late Martin Luther King Jr.'s place in history despite allegations the slain civil rights leader plagiarized during his academic career.

''It's inevitable with every hero that, as time goes by, people put in proper perspective their humanness and that's what's happening to Dr. King,'' said the Rev. Joseph Lowery, president of the King-founded Southern Christian Leadership Conference. ''Dr. King never claimed he was God.''

The revelations about King's writings, published Friday in The Wall Street Journal and subject of a news conference at Stanford Universityv, were based on the findings of an editorial board headed by Stanford historian and civil rights activist Clayborne Carson.

Divided by his allegiance to King and to uphold the truth, Carson said King, the winner of the 1964 Nobel Peace Prize, repeatedly used words and ideas from other scholars in his dissertation and other academic works.

''We found that there was a pattern of appropriation, of textual appropriation '' said Carson, 46, and a specialist on black history. ''By the strictest definition of plagiarism - that is, any appropriation of words or ideas - there are instances of plagiarism in these papers.''

The papers include those written while King was a student at Crozer Theological Seminary and at Boston University, where he earned his doctorate in theology in 1955.

Carson became involved in the King works as a result of being selected by

Coretta Scott King in 1985 to head the Martin Luther King Jr. Papers Project, a multi-volume collection of her husband's writings.

The findings were presented to the project's advisory board of scholars in October 1989 but Carson, as senior editor, said he decided not to make public any details until the first installment of the collected papers was published. The original date for publication was the end of this year.

King's dissertation, entitled, ''A Comparison of the Conceptions of God in the Thinking of Paul Tillich and Henry Nelson Weiman,'' appears to borrow many words from a disseration written three years earlier by Jack Boozer, under the same advisor at Boston University.

Boston University said it formed a committee to study the allegations but Carson defended King's reputation, saying his contribution was not as a scholar.

''His place in history is based on what he did after he left graduate school. His contributions can't be undermined by our new findings,'' he said.

Carson stressed that no one who has studied King believed he was a person without flaws or limitations.

''We recognize that he is a flesh-and-blood human being,'' he said. ''What makes him interesting to scholars is that he was a complex human being.''

Mrs. King was first made aware of the findings in 1989 during a meeting with the project's advisory board but has refused to comment on the information.

The revelations come a year after the public was treated to details of the preacher's extramarital affairs, documented in a book written by one of his closest confidants, the Rev. Ralph Abernathy.

The Abernathy autobiograpy, ''And the Walls Came Tumbling Down,'' infuriated the civil rights community with assertions that King spent parts of the night before his death with two different women.

Although dozens of books since his death have documented King's affairs, none elicited as much condemnation from the civil rights community as Abernathy's.

Paul Schilling, the only living member of the BU faculty committee that reviewed King's dissertation, is another defender.

''The thought Dr. King put into his work was original and displayed a clear, fair understanding of the material,'' said Schilling, who said he had no knowledge of plagiarism.

''He did most of the work on the dissertation while in Montgomery and during

the first year of an extremely busy pastorate,'' Schilling said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 10) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Notre Dame (38) (7-1)	828	3
2.	Washington (18) (8-1)	805	5
3.	Colorado (2) (8-1-1)	697	7
4.	Miami (6-2)	621	8
5.	Iowa (7-1)	551	13
6.	Brigham Young (7-1)	497	9
7.	Georgia Tech (7-0-1)	491	14
8.	Tennessee (5-1-2)	419	10
9.	Virginia (7-1)	407	1
10.	Nebraska (8-1)	398	2
11.	Florida State (6-2)	328	11
12.	Texas (6-1)	297	12
13.	Auburn (6-1-1)	177	4
14.	Mississippi (8-1)	176	15
15.	Illinois (6-2)	122	6
16.	Clemson (8-2)	50	17
17.	Michigan (5-3)	35	18
18.	Oregon (7-2)	20	20
19.	Penn State (6-2)	19	21
20.	Louisville (8-1-1)	10	22
21.	Wyoming (9-1)	5	16
22.	Texas A&M (6-2-1)	3	24
23.	Fresno State (7-1-1)	2	NR
24.	(tie) Ohio State (6-2-1)	1	NR
24.	(tie) Arizona (6-3)	1	19

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: None.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances or postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches.

Those schools are Florida, Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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#90314u0286 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

CALCUTTA, INDIA (NOV. 10) UPI - Four Burmese students hijacked a Thai passenger jet to India Saturday, held about 180 passengers hostage and threatened to blow up the plane to press their demand for the restoration of democracy in their country, officials said.

Thai Airways flight TG305 was enroute from Bangkok, Thailand to Rangoon, Burma when the hijackers forced the pilot to fly to the eastern Indian city of Calcutta, where the aircraft landed at Dum Dum airport at about 3:45 p.m., officials said.

The four hijackers threatened to blow up the plane if anyone approached the aircraft. They later released 25 of the 205 passengers on board on ''compassionate grounds,'' the Press Trust of India news agency said.

Some of the passengers said the hijackers were armed with explosives, officials said. An anti-hijacking squad and other security force units were deployed around the airport after the aircraft landed.

Officials said the hijackers, identified as four Burmese students, had announced six demands before the rest of the hostages would be released.

The demands included the immediate lifting of martial law in Burma, the cancellation of all military tribunals, the release of Burmese political prisoners and the restoration of democracy.

Thai and Burmese officials were called to the airport to talk with the hijackers.

The hijacking came while a U.N. official was in Burma to investigate human rights abuses.

Earlier this year, Burmese dissidents in Bangkok warned if the military junta in Burma failed to restore democracy, incidents such as hijackings could be expected.

Two Burmese students hijacked a Burma Airways plane to Thailand on Oct. 6, 1989, demanding the military release all political prisoners and return the country to democracy. The hijacking ended peacefully with the release of the 83 people aboard. The two hijackers were sentenced to prison terms in Thailand.

''We cannot rule out the possibility that the Burmese people will express their anger at the military's repression in even larger ways,'' said Tin Maung

Win, general secretary of the Democratic Alliance of Burma, a grouping of more than 20 anti-government organizations.

The Burmese military crushed pro-democracy movements in 1988, killing more than 500 people.

The military junta allowed elections in May, but after the main opposition party swept 80 percent of the seats in the legislature, it has refused to allow the legislature to meet and has arrested most of the party's leaders.

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#90314u0294 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 10) UPI - Senate Democrats and Republicans are set to re-elect Sens. George Mitchell of Maine and Robert Dole of Kansas as their party chiefs for the 102nd Congress, but political and generational differences could set off some major battles for other leadership slots.

Dole, the pragmatic 67-year-old who has led the Senate GOP as both majority and minority leader since 1985, and Mitchell, a 57-year-old former judge who was first elected by the Democrats two years, are running unopposed.

So is assistant Senate Republican leader Alan Simpson, the articulate veteran from Wyoming whose rhetoric sparkles with both humor and flesh- cutting partisanship.

But the decision of Assistant Senate Democratic leader Alan Cranston, one of the Keating Five facing charges of putting pressure on federal regulators to delay closing a failing savings and loan, to step down from his post because of cancer, might set up a fight between the young and old Turks.

And among Republicans, election to chairman of the Republican Conference, the caucus of all GOP senators, is certain to be the scene of a clear-cut showdown between the left and right.

The party elections Tuesday are held in secret sessions behind closed doors and sometimes become as byzantine as the elevation of a pope, with only the white smoke missing.

Numerous senators have gone into the elections assured of enough commitments to win, only to find their support evaporate. Candidates campaign in a low-key manner almost year-around and secret ballots are cast on the basis of criteria such as politics, regionalism, favors and friendship.

The decision by Cranston, suffering from cancer of the prostate, not to run for Senate office two days before appearing before the Ethics Committee in a public hearing, would appear to have given Sen. Wendell Ford of Kentucky a clear road.

Ford, 66, ran against Cranston two years ago and has claimed the support of 35 out of the 56 Democrats, enough to win with votes to spare. That margin may have prompted Cranston, who claimed only 19 solid votes, to pull out.

But the withdrawal of Crantson, one of the Senate's premier liberals, has also prompted Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., to ''explore'' the possiblity of going against Ford.

Ford is very much part of the Senate's ''old guard.'' Pryor, 10 years Ford's junior, is particularily popular with the Senate's younger members and could peel away votes from Ford.

If Pryor makes the races against Ford, his old post as third-ranked in the hierarchy. would open up. No one is expected to announce a decision unless Pryor makes a move.

But with Mitchell, and eastern liberal and Ford or Pryor, both border state moderates, in the leadership, the open spot could go to a westerner.

The Republicans have contests for four posts - chairman of the conference, secretary of the conference, chairman of the policy committee and chairman of the campaign committee.

The most intriguing is the attempt by Sen. Thad Chochran of Mississippi, a likeable conservative, to unseat as chairman of the conference Sen. John Chafee of Rhode Island, one of the last GOP liberals in the Senate.

In the other races, Sens. Dan Nickles of Oklahoma and Pete Domenici of New Mexico, both conservatives, are fighting to succeed the retired Sen. William Armstrong of Colorado as chairman of the policy committee; Sen. Christopher Bond of Missouri and Sen. Robert Kasten of Wisconsin are running to succeed Cochran as secretary of the conference; and Sens. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky and Phil Gramm of Texas want to take over the campaign committee.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 10) UPI - After years of facing indifferent sales clerks, wasting work days waiting for plumbers and being bumped off airplanes, most Americans think customer service has gone the way of doctor house calls.

But one expert says consumers still have the power to get what they want.

Peter Glen, author and professional speaker on the service industry, has spent years collecting horror stories of lousy customer service. He will tell you about the sales clerk who refused to take his money until her nails were dry, or the airline that paraded a dying amputee around its terminal strapped to a

baggage cart because it had lost his wheelchair, or the desk clerk at a pricey hotel who simply shrugged when told one of his rooms was crawling with cockroaches.

As detailed in his aptly titled book on the subject, ''That's Not My Department,'' to be published Nov. 15, Glen is plenty peeved about crummy service. But ''the thing that makes me the most angry is that people put up with it,'' says Glen.

''I think people think this is all there is,'' says Glen of the poor service and indifferent attitudes Americans are fond of complaining about but have come to accept.

Glen's message to the masses who obediently sit home seething while waiting hours for the furnace repairman is to ''stop whining.''

''Fight, don't whine, fight,'' says Glen. The victors are customers who are treated like customers.

How?

Glen himself has ''thrown fits'' in department stores when all polite attempts at gaining service have failed. He has fired off letters and marched into the offices of chief executives. He has plunked himself down and refused to budge until his needs are met. And most of the time, he says, it works.

But for the neophyte who is accustomed to walking into a store feeling more like a potential victim than a customer whose needs will be efficiently met, Glen has some start-up advice.

First, be prepared for bad service. ''Expect the worst,'' says Glen. ''Expect indifference, apathy, expect boredom and you will be more alert. ... I think you should be prepared on the way into Macys.''

The next step, says Glen, is ''not tolerating it. You do not have to put up with rudeness, with waiting endlessly.''

If, for instance, when you ask the price of a certain item, the clerk replies ''that's not my department,'' don't wander away meekly in search of real help. Stand your ground and politely remind the clerk he is an employee of the entire store, not just one department. The response may be sulky, but you will probably get what you want.

''I wouldn't start by threatening and throwing fits,'' says Glen. ''First of all, I would make an effort to do it nicely. It depends on how important it is to you. ... The second step would be to go higher (a supervisor) and the third step is to go higher (the boss).''

While Glen suggests a letter, or even a visit, to the owner or executive of a business to point out poor customer service, he also advocates letters lauding employees who provide good service. Both get across the point that good service is important to you, the customer.

''Most importantly,'' says Glen, ''I think when you find good service you should praise it.''

Lack of praise and respect for the lower level employees who usually charged with the most direct customer contact of any business are primary reasons for poor service, according to Glen.

Glen, who grew up hanging out in the retail outlets of his sportswear manufacturer father, says he preaches employee respect in the speeches he gives to retail and manufacturing executives around the country.

''First of all they can make sure that the company is very exciting to work at '' Glen says of bosses seeking to improve employee outlook.

''Ask your employees what they want,'' he says. ''Listen to them. ... I would push them hard to improve and I would recognize any sign of life and broadcast it to everybody.''

Glen points to department stores and airlines as particularly poor providers of customer service, but he also notes that the medical profession has the potential for truly disasterous consequences when employees such as nurses are sloppy, lazy or indifferent.

Glen reserves his gold star for best across-the-industry customer service to the performing arts.

''I think entertainers are in the service industry,'' he says. ''If I see a great performance, I'm going to applaud ... and performers will work very hard for you to get that.''

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PARIS (NOV. 10) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker met with French President Francois Mitterrand Saturday at the end of a tour of the Middle East and Europe, and cited a ''strong consensus'' among members of the anti-Iraq alliance.

Baker, however, refused to say if France had agreed to join any military campaign against Baghdad.

The secretary of state left for Washington Saturday, ending an eight- day trip to align support for a possible military action against Iraq, officials said.

Baker boarded the flight at Orly Airport outside Paris after meeting with Mitterrand and French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas.

Baker met with Mitterrand for more than an hour amid reports Paris was backing away from backing the use of force in the Persian Gulf.

''We have built a consensus, we have increased pressure on (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein, isolated him. But we have not yet succeeded in reversing his agression,'' Baker told a Paris news conference, referring to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Baker said during his trip, he discussed the U.S.-led military buildup against Iraq, as well as command and control arrangements with the leaders of Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Turkey, the Soviet Union, China, England and France.

He said he discussed when it should be decided sanctions had been given a sufficient period of time to work, and how to proceed under the United Nations charter ''while maintaining a consensus and maintaining support for our actions.''

''So as we wrap up this trip, I feel we have a very strong consensus on our collective aims and on the need to resist partial solutions, to work together and stay together in this coalition and on the need to make all out actions credible if we are to succeed,'' he added.

The Secretary of State qualified his talks with Mitterrand and Dumas as ''very positive,'' but he refused to say if the French clarified their position on the use of force.

Dumas would say only ''for the moment, no one favors military action'' and said the French continued to hope the crisis would be ''resolved through diplomatic and peaceful means.''

The French position on the eventual use of force in the gulf has emerged in recent days as the most tricky question facing Washington at this stage in the 3-month-old crisis.

Paris, which has sent more than 5,000 soldiers and an armada of warships to the gulf, has made it clear it will not participate in any armed conflict unless it is approved by the U.N. Security Council.

But other leaders, including Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, told Baker during his trip they would back a military solution only if it wins Security Council approval.

''It is in the context of the United Nations that we will continue to work,'' Dumas told reporters after meeting with Baker.

Mitterrand and other French officials believe a peaceful solution to the crisis is still possible and that any new Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force against Saddam should be delayed to allow the Iraqi leader to make concessions, according to diplomatic sources in Paris.

The French view was strengthened by Jordan's King Hussein, who reportedly told Mitterrand earlier this week that Saddam was weighing concessions ahead of the Security Council resolution.

Baker, however, went out of his way to stress that the anti-Iraqi coalition is united in rejecting partial solutions, such as allowing Saddam to keep some Kuwaiti territory if he agreed to withdraw from the Emirate.

Baker said the purpose of the trip had not been to draft a Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force, and admitted there were different views within the anti-Iraqi coalition on how long sanctions should be allowed to work before turning to the military option.

He said Washington would continue to consult with its allies on the timing of a Security Council resolution, but his comments appeared to indicate the United States was ready to wait several more weeks before returning to the United Nations.

Baker said the best way to achieve a political solution to the crisis was by applying military pressure on the Iraqi regime.

''The key is to send a clear and unmistakable signal to Baghdad that we are serious, and I think that we have sent that signal,'' he said.

Thursday, President Bush ordered that some 100,000 additional troops be sent to Saudi Arabia, including armored divisions and about 700 advanced MI-AI tanks.

Bush also said the reinforcements would give the multinational troops in Saudi Arabia an ''adequate offensive military option,'' officially changing policy for the United States from a defense to an offensive position.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 10) UPI - A federal immigration panel overturned a ruling granting bail to a Cuban intelligence agent who was arrested crossing the Mexican border to seek political asylum in the United States.

Juan Manuel Rodriguez-Camejo, 40, a major in Cuba's counterintelligence agency was to have been released on $7,500 bail Friday but the Board of Immigration Appeals in Washington ruled late in the day that Rodriguez-Camejo was too great a security risk to release.

''We are dealing with a master of deception who has been in the business for the past 24 years,'' Robert McCowan, an Immigration and Naturalization Service investigator, told The San Diego Union.

Rodriguez-Camejo remained at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in San Diego Saturday and his lawyer took the case to U.S. District Judge J. Lawrence Irving.

The INS ordered Rodriguez-Camejo deported Oct. 29 after he illegally crossed the Mexican border and tried for a third time to obtain political asylum in the United States for himself, his wife and 6-year- old daughter.

Rodriguez-Camejo's lawyer, Judith L. Wood of Los Angeles, said her client was truly defecting and had made no attempt to hide his identity.

She has also said Rodriguez-Camejo is considered a traitor by the Cuban government and faces certain death if deported.

But federal authorities declared Rodriguez-Camejo a security risk and said he is still a member of the Cuban counterintelligence service.

Family members in Beverly Hills have admitted that Rodriguiez-Camejo is an adroit spymaster who dealt a major blow to the CIA's espionage efforts in Cuba. Working as a double agent from 1979 until 1987, he placed 27 other Castro agents inside the American spy ring on the island.

They have also said that growing disillusionment with the Castro regime in recent years led him to defect, first to American diplomats in West Germany last spring and again at the San Ysidro border crossing in San Diego in mid-October.

He was rebuffed the first two times and then was arrested Oct. 28 by the Border Patrol as he and his family tried to slip across the border as illegal aliens.

After several hours of questioning by the FBI at a San Diego County hotel Oct. 29, Rodriguez-Camejo was ordered deported.

His wife, Mimna Montes de Oca Aldavert, 30, and daughter, Paola, are free on $2,000 bond each and living with his father-in-law, reportedly a wealthy businessman, in Beverly Hills.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 10) UPI - Two trains struck a passenger bus at a railroad crossing in a Urals Mountains city Saturday, killing 16 people and leaving 13

people in critical condition, the official Tass news agency said.

The accident occurred at a railroad crossing in Sverdlovsk near an airport serving the city of 1.3 million people some 550 miles south of Moscow, Tass said.

''Sixteen people were killed and 13 injured and taken to hospital in grave condition as a result of a collision in Sverdlovsk of a passenger bus and two trains moving toward each other,'' Tass said.

The news agency did not say whether the crash victims were all passengers on the bus or whether the trains also carried travelers.

Sverdlovsk, the hometown and political base of Russian Federation leader Boris Yeltsin, is a major producer of heavy machinery and a main stop on the trans-Siberian railroad. It was called Ekaterinburg before the Bolshevik Revolution, and Czar Nicholas II, the last Russian monarch, was executed there with his family in 1918.

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DALLAS (NOV. 10) UPI - Dallas Mavericks forward Roy Tarpley will be out of action for about three weeks but X-rays taken Saturday revealed he did not suffer serious injury when he fell Friday night during a game against the Orlando Magic.

Tarpley's right kneecap slipped out of place and he had to be carried from the court on a stretcher.

Doctors said, however, the kneecap was slipped back in place and that within a few minutes after the mishap Tarpley was walking around the locker room.

''There were no bone fractures, and the ligaments were tight,'' Mavericks physician Dr. Pat Evans said. ''It will be two weeks before he is over the soreness, and another week will be needed for rehabilitation.''

Tarpley was attempting to grab a rebound when the injury occurred. As he came down, his right foot hit the court at an awkward angle and he immediately collapsed.

He writhed around the court in pain and was still in obvious pain as he was carried to the locker room.

Tarpley's career has been plagued by run-ins with the NBA drug policy. He has twice been suspended for violations of that policy and one more would mean a permanent ban from the league.

He had averaged 24 points a game in Dallas's first three contests this season and had scored six points and grabbed six rebounds Friday night before the injury.

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CENTRAL SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 10) UPI - An Iraqi MiG-25 Foxbat popped onto the radar screens flying high and fast toward the Saudi border. In moments it was at 60,000 feet and moving south at twice the speed of sound.

In an AWACS surveillance plane over Saudi Arabia, the warplane's aggressive behavior caused a buzz of activity. U.S. officers identified the Foxbat, verified its speed, determined its altitude and plotted its course.

By the time the warplane veered away - still inside Iraqi territory - the crew aboard the AWACS had moved U.S. F-15 fighter jets into position to intercept the plane if it crossed the Saudi border.

''When you have a high, fast flyer that can be a threat to us or our assets, that's when you have to pay attention,'' said 2nd Lt. Ted Meyer, 23, of Torrence, Calif., who directed the American fighters into place. ''At times it can be harrowing.''

For crews aboard the American AWACS planes sent to Saudi Arabia following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, such moments come often. ''We've been testing each other for the past 90 days,'' said Col. Tom Bliss, the AWACS wing commander. ''There's a lot of cat and mouse going on.''

The AWACS planes - who derive their name from the acronym for airborne warning and control system - are the eyes of the U.S. military in Saudi Arabia. Along with the Saudi AWACS, they circle continuously over the Arabian desert.

The planes constantly study the movement of airplanes in the region. Controllers aboard the AWACS can move U.S. warplanes to defend Saudi airspace, feed information to Army missile systems on the ground or notify the Navy of impending threats from the air.

''It is a major link in the command and control system (that coordinates U.S. forces),'' Bliss said.

The heart of the AWACS - and the device that gives it the distinctive look of a Boeing 707 carrying a massive Frisbee - is its radar systems. Combining both Doppler and pulse radars, the AWACS is able to look down and around from a platform 29,000 feet high.

When the radar detects an airplane, like the MiG-25 Foxbat, operators inside the AWACS identify it on a color video monitor and tag it with a name. Crew

members like Meyer saw the Foxbat on their screens as a tiny golden ''v'' above the purple line marking the border between Saudi Arabia and Iraq.

''When I first got into this job, I equated it to a big video game that didn't use quarters,'' Meyer said. ''I control the fighters, but not all the rest of the planes. That's a very basic analogy, but you can look at it like that.''

The speed of the planes are indicated by a path line on the radar screen. ''When the track starts going long ... it gets to be an item of real concern to the whole plane,'' Meyer said.

For controllers like Meyer, the immediate concern is to respond in a way to limit the threat. Through his headset, Meyer talked to the pilots in his area of responsibility.

''I tell my pilots, 'We have this track up here. He's a bad guy. He's tracking say, northwest,''' Meyer said. Using the information the controller gives them, the pilots move into the area, guided by the AWACS until they pick up the plane on their own radars.

The AWACS carries more than half a dozen radar screens with controllers assigned to various tasks, from communicating with airplanes in the multinational force confronting Iraq to informing ground weapon systems of the air picture.

The airplane also carries tactical officers, who know U.S. plans in the event of a conflict. And it has enough extra crew members to be able to give people a rest during the long flights, which frequently last for 16 hours.

Despite the amount of time the AWACS spend in the air, Bliss, whose planes are from Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma City, said there was little chance of becoming tired of the job.

''I gotta say in the last 90 days I have never been bored,'' he said. ''It doesn't get routine. It's a very dynamic environment. The enemy situation changes and the things he does change on a continual basis.''

Bliss said Iraqi planes have been known to slip in behind commercial airliners to hide from the radars. He also noted the Iraqis don't fly too much at night or on Fridays, the Moslem holy day, and their better pilots tend to fly French-made F-1 Mirages rather than the Soviet-made MiGs.

Although he's not been bored, Bliss said he was worried that his people will become fatigued because of the long hours in the air and the constant need to be ''at a tight edge on the brink of war.''

''We are concerned about the length of keeping the folks on the edge and keeping them up and ready to go to war,'' he said. ''We know there's a limited

time that you can do that before it will start wearing on morale and wearing on their physiological factors.''

Although the hours are wearing, the members of the AWACS crew remain busy. While not on duty, they munch on food from the airplane's refrigerator or drink coffee and soda pop. Some while away their spare time reading everything from ''Conan the Barbarian'' to documents marked ''Secret.''

Flying in an AWACS plane, said one crew member, is like flying in any other plane: ''Hours and hours of boredom and moments of sheer terror.''

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(NOV. 10) UPI - The State Department says Iraq has let three American male hostages leave the country. One was Miles Hoffman of Columbus, Georgia, who was shot in the arm by Iraqi troops last month. The two others also need medical attention. Department spokesman Richard Boucher says Iraqi officials said five Americans were in a hotel in preparation for their release. But two were later told they could NOT leave.

Philippines police report a band of 15 armed man massacred a farmer, his wife and four of their children in their sleep on the island of Mindanao. A 10-year-old boy was wounded. The six victims were wiped out with automatic gunfire. The four children killed were aged six to nine. The assailants fled into nearby hills. Authorities do NOT know if the assailants were guerrillas or thieves.

President Bush has vetoed changes in the Orphan Drug Act- the law that gives drug companies economic incentives to develop medicines for rare diseases. Bush called the law a success and said it has led to 49 new drugs for rare diseases. But he said he has problems with amendments designed to reduce profits if the drugs turn out to have bigger markets than originally expected.

For the second year in a row, American farmers are producing more vegetables than predicted. The Agriculture Department says supermarket prices will be held down this year because of the bumper crop. The department projects fresh vegetable prices will rise four to six percent this year... compared with five to seven percent for overall food prices.

An Argentine radio station says a suspected drug trafficker, Carlos Savignon Belgrano, has asked for asylum in the U-S Embassy in Buenos Aires. The station says Belgrano fears retaliation by a drug mob because he is also an agent working for the U-S Drug Enforcement Administration. An embassy spokesman refused to comment on the report.

A videotape was shown to the U-N Security Council yesterday to counter an Israeli claim that Moslem leaders incited violence that killed 19

Palestinians. Instead of encouraging violence, the Islamic leaders on the tape urged their followers to go inside and stay away from Israeli soldiers. Israeli authorities say the Moslems called for a ''holy war,'' but that is NOT heard on the soundtrack.

The federal government believes the nation's capital needs new prison space. The Bureau of Prisons has announced plans to build a one- thousand-bed prison within sight of the Capitol building. This will help relieve crowding in the D-C jail. Officials say its construction will help public safety by taking drug offenders off the street while they await trial. Washington has the nation's highest murder rate, sparked by a turf war between crack cocaine dealers.

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(NOV. 10) UPI - The Agriculture Department says the international embargo is hurting Iraq's food imports. Iraq may buy only 500-thousand tons of grain. Before the gulf crisis, the department said Iraq would buy five-Million tons this year.

Three American men who need medical attention were released yesterday by Iraq. The State Department says one was shot in the arm last month in Kuwait. Other hostages say he might lose his arm without advanced treatment.

A videotape provided by Palestinians was shown to the U-N Security Council yesterday to counter Israeli claims about the 19 deaths on Temple Mount. There was NO sign of Palestinian leaders inciting the violence.

Unidentified men threw two hand grenades at the U-S Embassy in Manila today. One did NOT explode and the other did NOT hurt anybody. NObody has claimed responsibility.

Berliners yesterday marked the first anniversary of the opening of the Berlin Wall. The anniversary was low key. The cornerstone was laid of a memorial to the 77 people who were killed trying to escape across the wall.

A lawyer for former Panamanian President Manuel Noriega says his office plans to prepare a motion to dismiss drug charges. The lawyer contends the government illegally taped Noriega's phone conversations from jail.

The government plans to build a prison in Washington, D-C, where a drug war is overfilling the district jail. Three sites are being considered- all within a mile of the U-S Capitol building.

Oil prices fell more than a dollar 50 cents a barrel yesterday. Trading quickened in the last hour because of a report Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was overthrown. The report was unfounded.

A recount gives Vincent Cianci the lead in the Providence, Rhode Island, mayor's race. But three voters have filed objections saying he can NOT serve because of a criminal record for assault. President Bush has vetoed an amendment to the Orphan Drug Act. He said the act encouraged development of drugs for rare diseases. But Bush objects to a change that would reduce profits for drugs that turn out to have a large market.

The government says fresh vegetable prices are rising more slowly than overall food prices. The reason is an abundant crop of vegetables. The harvest should be 10 percent greater than last year.

The water supply in much of the Soviet city of Riga was shut off yesterday because of a toxic chemical. Television reports said potassium cyanide was released from a factory and many fishes were killed.

Former President Reagan dedicated a statue sculpted from pieces of the Berlin Wall at Fulton, Missouri, yesterday. Reagan spoke of changes in Europe since Winston Churchill's 1946 speech in Fulton in which he coined the phrase ''Iron Curtain.''

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EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 10) UPI - Members of a U.S. congressional delegation visited American and Saudi troops in the desert Saturday and told reporters later that an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait was no longer sufficient to resolve the crisis.

Rep. John Murtha, D-Pa., and Rep. Stephen Solarz, D-N.Y., told a news conference that they and other members of Congress believed the Persian Gulf conflict could not be ended until Iraq's ability to produce chemical and nuclear weapons had been destroyed.

''What we ... find unacceptable is his potential to develop nuclear and biological weapons,'' said Murtha, the chairman of the House Defense Committee. ''Even if he moves out of Kuwait, we will still not accept that.''

''If he moves out of Kuwait unilaterally, we are also going to insist, the Congress will insist, that he not have this ability (of mass destruction) and that we be able to verify it,'' Murtha said.

Solarz, a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said if Iraqi President Saddam Hussein were allowed to withdraw from Kuwait with his weapons of mass destruction intact, ''it would be a Pyrrhic victory indeed.''

''Saddam Hussein is a man who is determined to dominate the Middle East,'' Solarz said. ''He has gone to war two times in the past decade to achieve that

objective.''

The congressman said if the Iraqi president, whose forces invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, succeeded in ending the crisis with his military potential intact, he would be back in a few years as ''a more formidable danger and formidable foe than he is now.''

The congressmen made their comments after spending the day visiting U.S. and Saudi forces in the Arabian desert. Murtha, Solarz and Rep. Alan Mollohan, D-W.Va., also met with the general leading the American military forces in the region.

Murtha said many problems had been solved and the military situation had improved considerably since he first visited Saudi Arabia one month ago to see how the U.S. buildup was progressing.

He said getting uniforms and boots continued to be a problem, but ''the troops are getting their mail and the equipment seems to be in very good condition.''

''I found the troops exhilarated and excited one month ago. I found the troops sober and realistic today,'' said Murtha, who watched live fire exercises during the day. ''Now they have realized this is a much tougher situation,'' he added.

The Defense Committee chairman also said he was satisfied with the command and control of U.S. forces in the region.

Secretary of State James Baker met with Saudi King Fahd Monday and agreed on a two-tiered command and control structure, with joint Saudi and U.S. control of forces in the event of an attack on the kingdom and U.S. military officials in charge of any operation outside Saudi Arabia.

The agreement did not affect forces from countries that have not already placed their troops under American or Saudi command.

Murtha also told reporters the U.S. buildup had cost $2.6 billion so far. He said the cost of operations, not including the deployment of more than 100,000 additional forces, at $17 billion during 1990.

He said Saudi Arabia and Kuwait would pay for half that amount.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 10) UPI - The man accused of attempted assassination in a Red Square shooting on Revolution Day was active in anti-Communist politics and worked at a factory near Leningrad, reports said Saturday.

The reports also said the sawed-off shotgun allegedly fired by Alexander Shmonov was incapable of reaching President Mikhail Gorbachev or other Soviet leaders who stood atop the mausoleum of Vladimir Lenin when two shots rang out at the annual Nov. 7 parade.

Shmonov, 38, was charged Thursday with having committed a terrorist act under a criminal code specifying attempted assassination.

Newspapers already embroiled in a fall subscription drive are engaged in a knockdown, drag-out battle to provide their readers with the latest details of the sensational shooting incident at the heart of Soviet power on the country's most important holiday.

Shmonov installed pipes at the Izhorsky Factory Complex outside Leningrad, one of the country's largest plants, the Sovetskaya Rossiya newspaper said Saturday, contradicting earlier reports that he was unemployed.

''He was of middle-level skill, but his work did not cause any complaints and there was nothing to distinguish him from other common workers until he got involved with politics,'' Sovetskaya Rossiya said.

Shmonov, the newspaper said, worked in the spring 1989 parliamentary election campaign for Leningrad candidates from the radical Democratic Movement, which used local polls this past May to take over the municipal government in the country's second-largest city.

Shmonov distributed ''anti-Communist leaflets'' along with the son of the police chief in Kolpino, the city of 130,000 people southwest of Leningrad where the Izhorsky factory is located, it said.

The Komsomolskaya Pravda newspaper said Gorbachev and the other dignitaries at Red Square were not endangered by the shooting Wednesday because the gun was fired 650 feet from where they stood on the Lenin mausoleum.

''Though the incident was serious and there was a real threat to the lives of people nearby, it is necessary to point out that the shots did not present any threat to the people atop the mausoleum, even if the shots had been aimed,'' Komsomolskaya Pravda said.

''This is testified to by the technical characteristics of the gun and the distance,'' the newspaper said.

Komsomolskaya Pravda also said court-appointed physicians will determine whether Shmonov is of sound mental health.

The same newspaper, citing KGB sources, reported Thursday that Shmonov had told investigators he was planning an assassination on the Nov. 7 holiday, which celebrates the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution.

Shmonov's hand was seized just as he was firing the shotgun, it said. Soviet television showed footage of police dragging a man away after the shooting, which took place near the GUM deparment store across the large square from the mausoleum.

Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze told journalists Thursday: ''Nothing serious was behind this incident. In such a large country as ours, it is always possible that something will happen somewhere.''

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(NOV. 10) UPI - Lebanese army troops began moving throughout Beirut today to bring an end to 15 years of fighting between Christian and Moslem militias. At daybreak, Shiite Amal militiamen began withdrawing from their positions in southern suburbs. Army troops are to be in command of all of Beirut by November 19th and the militias are to be out of the city by then. Lebanon's defense minister says if the army runs into trouble, the government will call in syrian military help.

Black South African leader Nelson Mandela says his African National Congress will step up mass protests to force an end of apartheid. Mandela returned yesterday from a tour of eight nations. He said the world is behind his movement. He says talks with the government will continue, but the A-N-C is NOT ready to stop protesting. President Frederik de Klerk has eased some restrictions against blacks. But some discriminatory legislation remains and the black majority still can NOT vote.

Leaders of Germany's Social Democratic Party met in Bonn today with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. Party Chairman Hans-Jochen Vogel says Gorbachev streesedthe efforts to find a peaceful solution. Vogel said- ''He was concerned that it was possible to determine the beginning of a military conflict, but NOT the consequences.''

Former Philippines first lady Imelda Marcos says she and the Philippine government have made progress in settling a multi-BILLION- dollar suit. The government is suing to get funds from five Hong Kong bank accounts. Marcos said the progress lies in the fact that yesterday's negotiation in Los Angeles was the first time her representatives and the government have talked. But the government lawyers report a number of conflicts still must be solved.

Opposition is quietly building to the military footing in the Middle East. The Reverend Paul Sherry, president of the United Church of Christ, said- ''There is a shift of mood.'' 21 organizations put an advertisement in the Washington Post Thursday saying ''war is NOT the answer.'' The American Friends Service Committee reports more and more calls from Americans fearful the United States will go to war.

Religious leaders in Alaska will build a religious center in the Soviet Far East. The center will be constructed in Magadan, a city of 150-thousand people dating from 1939. Unlike older Russian cities, it has NO religious history. The Alaska leaders have agreed with Soviet officials to build a multi-religion Christian center.

Officials of the Cape Cod Aquarium report they chased 46 whales back to sea and prevented them from becoming stranded on the beach. A resident called the aquarium a week ago and said the pilot whales were milling around in shallow water off Brewster, Massachusetts. Aquarium workers blew air horns and banged on their boats to scare off the whales. Three times the whales tried to swim to shore, but the workers led them into deeper water and to safety.

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CALCUTTA, INDIA (NOV. 10) UPI - Four Burmese hijackers released all the passengers on a Thai Airways jet they hijacked to India in an attempt to focus world attention on military repression in Burma, officials said.

All 204 passengers and 12 crew members aboard the hijacked Airbus plane were released after more than eight hours of negotiations between the Burmese student hijackers and Indian officials in the eastern Indian city of Calcutta.

''We do not intend any harm to the passengers or to the aircraft. We want the world to listen to our cries for liberty and democracy,'' said copies of a statement sent from the plane with the released passengers.

The passengers and crew were released after government officials promised the hijackers would be allowed to hold a news conference to press their demands for democracy in Burma.

Thai Airways flight TG305 was en route from Bangkok to Rangoon when the four hijackers, brandishing weapons, forced the pilot to fly to Calcutta, where the aircraft landed at Dum Dum airport at about 3:45 p.m., officials said.

An anti-hijacking squad and other security force units were deployed around the airport after the aircraft landed.

The hijackers initially threatened to blow up the plane if anyone approached the aircraft, the officials said. But later they said they did not intend to harm anyone and hijacked the plane to focus world attention on military repression in Burma.

The hijacking came while a U.N. official was in Burma to investigate human rights abuses.

Earlier this year, Burmese dissidents in Bangkok warned that if the military junta in Burma failed to restore democracy, incidents such as hijackings could be expected.

''We cannot rule out the possibility that the Burmese people will express their anger at the military's repression in even larger ways,'' said Tin Maung Win, general secretary of the Democratic Alliance of Burma, a grouping of more than 20 anti government organizations.

Officials said the hijackers had earlier demanded that six demands be met before the hostages would be released.

The demands included the immediate lifting of martial law in Burma, the cancellation of all military tribunals, the release of Burmese political prisoners and the restoration of democracy.

''We have been struggling for the last 25 years, but the world is not listening to us. Each time we have been answered by the bloody bullets of military oppression,'' said the statement.

The hijackers also demanded the release of two Burmese students imprisoned in a Thai jail for hijacking a plane last year.

The two students had hijacked a Burma Airways plane to Thailand, demanding that the military release all political prisoners and return the country to democracy.

The hijacking, like the latest one, ended peacefully with the release of the 83 people aboard. The two hijackers were sentenced to prison terms in Thailand.

Thai and Burmese officials were called to the airport Saturday to talk with the hijackers and a team of experts from New Delhi, including government officials and a psychologist, were dispatched to Calcutta.

The Burmese military crushed pro-democracy movements in 1988, killing more than 500 people.

The junta allowed elections in May, but after the main opposition party swept 80 percent of the seats in the Legislature, it has refused to allow the Legislature to meet and has arrested most of the party's leaders.

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(NOV. 10) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker, finishing a foreign tour seeking a mandate for use of force against Iraq, met with French President Francois Mitterrand Saturday and affirmed the alliance against Iraq is ''solid.'' Baghdad meanwhile slammed Baker as a warmonger.

In Bonn, Germany, officials of the Social Democratic party said Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev told them in talks Saturday during a two-day visit to Germany that he wanted increased efforts aimed at finding a peaceful solution to the crisis.

''He was concerned that it was possible to determine the beginning of a military conflict, but not the consequences,'' party chairman Hans- Jochen Vogel said, adding Gorbachev appeared to believe that U.N. action against Iraq such as an economic embargo ''forms the basis for a political solution.''

U.S. military officials, for their part, reported a Marine was shot and killed while sleeping in his tent camp in Eastern Saudi Arabia. The Marine, a member of the 3rd Marine Regiment normally based in Hawaii, was struck by a bullet from another Marine's M-16 rifle on Friday afternoon.

The death of the Marine, whose name was withheld pending notification of relatives, was under investigation. Marines in the tent at the time were being questioned, according to a statement by the U.S. Central Command in Saudi Arabia.

Baker, wrapping up an eight-nation, seven-day tour of the Middle East and Europe, met for 90 minutes with Mitterrand Saturday. Before leaving Paris to return to Washington, he told reporters the international alliance confronting Iraq ''is solid, it is unified.''

The secretary of state, however, refused to say if France had agreed to join any military campaign against Baghdad. France's position has been in doubt, with a recent opinion poll showed 51 percent of French people are against the idea of going to war with Iraq, a traditional ally of France.

Baker arrived in Paris late Friday from London, where Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said the military option would be used if Iraq remained in Kuwait. Paris was the last leg of a whirlwind quest for a mandate for the possible use of military force against Iraq.

Baker reportedly received reassurances from Britain, Saudi Arabia and Egypt that they are willing to go to war against Iraq if that is necessary.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, speaking at the end of Baker's tour, accused Baker of failing to raise the Palestinian issue during his Middle East-European tour. Aziz also slammed Washington for doing nothing to defend Lebanese sovereignty from Syrian intervention.

''Baker showed his true colors as a warmonger during his shuttle visits,'' Baghdad Radio quoted Aziz as saying. ''During these visits, he never once mentioned the numerous U.N. Security Council resolutions calling on Israel to withdraw from Arab lands.''

Aziz noted President Bush has said he is sending more troops for offensive purposes as part of the U.S.-led international force deployed in the Persian Gulf region after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

As such, Aziz said Arab states like Egypt, Syria and Saudio Arabia ''can no longer hide behind the facade that they are defending peace ... for they are helping to prepare for war.''

Aziz, a Protestant Christian and one of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's most faithful ministers, called on Arab states which have sent troops to the gulf to reconsider their position before it was too late ''if they really do not want to be a part of American designs for the region.''

And in Damascus, Syria - where Vice-President Abdulhalim Khaddam recently said Syrian troops in Saudi Arabia were deployed only to defend the kingdom and not to attack Iraq - three Arab foreign ministers continued talks for the second consecutive day Saturday.

The foreign ministers of Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia began talks on the crisis Friday and were to head for the Syrian Mediterranean resort of Latakia later Saturday to meet with Syrian leader Hafez al Assad.

Assad, vacationing in Latakia, has pledged to send as many as 20,000 Syrian troops and armor to Saudi Arabia. Egypt already has between 15, 000 and 20,000 troops in Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, and has pledged more troops and jet fighters.

''The three men are expected to discuss with Assad the options for resolving the gulf crisis,'' one Western diplomat said.

Baker, during talks earlier this week with Saudi leaders, formulated a provisional command structure in case of war, but Washington would still have to seek Saudi permission to attack Baghdad from Saudi territory.

In Amman, Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen met Saturday with Jordanian leaders before planned talks in Baghdad with Saddam.

''These talks are crucial because (Qian) will probably be the last important politician from a country with a permanent seat on the Security Council to talk to Saddam, and explain to him the folly of his ways,'' Riyadh Radio said.

Amman Radio said Qian told reporters after talks with Jordanian Foreign Minister Marwan al Qassim that China opposed Iraq's occupation of Kuwait and was calling for intensified efforts to solve the crisis peacefully.

Qian, who arrived in Amman Friday from Saudi Arabia as part of a regional tour also said no draft resolution had been submitted to the United Nations to use

military force against Iraq. ''Such a draft resolution needs detailed consultations and cannot be tabled for a vote easily,'' he said.

-German politician Oskar Lafontaine of the Social Democratic Party called former Chancellor Willy Brandt's controversial trip to Baghdad, ''completely positive.'' Brandt, who met with Saddam this week, returned to Frankfurt Friday night with nearly 200 hostages formerly held by Iraq as shields against attack.

Brandt said after his arrival in Frankfurt that ''politics always fail when it is a question of all or nothing'' - apparently responding to criticism that such trips weaken the international alliance against Iraq. He added, ''I would still have been grateful if I had brought back only one.''

-Eleven Italians and three Portuguese were flown to the Jordanian capital of Amman Friday aboard an Iraqi airlines plane. All were employed in Iraq by Italian companies and said they did not know how they were selected for release by Iraqi authorities.

Arcadio Gramigni, one of the freed hostages, said the Italians were never treated badly by the Iraqis.

''But there is great tension,'' he said. ''There is fear that war could break out from one moment to the next, and the various movements of Iraqi armored troops in the streets of Baghdad testify to this.''

-In Cairo, more than 40 White House employees arrived in the Egyptian capital Cairo Saturday from Washington to prepare for Bush's arrival in Cairo on Nov. 21 during a tour of the region, state-owned Cairo Radio said. The report said the White House employees would coordinate with Egyptian officials on security protocol and other issues.

Bush and his wife Barbara are to spend Thanksgiving with American troops in Saudi Arabia on Nov. 22.

-In Riyadh, Saudi newspapers reported on King Fahd's promise to move toward greater democracy for the conservative kingdom. Riyadh Radio quoted Fahd, in power for eight years, as saying a final draft of plans to set up a central and provincial consultative council was being prepared.

-In the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait's exiled Defense Minister Sheikh Nawaf al Ahmad al Sabah attended a graduation ceremony for hundreds of Kuwaiti volunteers who spent time in military training to fight for their homeland.

-Egypt's outlawed Moslem Brotherhood meanwhile issued a statement calling the foreign troop deployment ''a threat to the Islamic nation and a boost for the Zionist enemy. We are opposed to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, but we also oppose the presence of foreign troops in the region.'' The group, however, said it

would work for a peaceful solution to the crisis.

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(NOV. 10) UPI - Attackers fired grenades at the U-S Embassy, and gunmen ambushed and killed three policemen in separate incidents in the Philippines today. Authorities say five men firing assault rifles from a four-wheel-drive vehicle sprayed the patrol car carrying the three policemen, then escaped with the officers' weapons in a Manila suburb. At the U-S Embassy, one grenade fell into Manila Bay behind the Embassy and exploded harmlessly. A second grenade landed in a driveway but did NOT go off.

Security sources in Lebanon say the pro-Syrian Shiite Amal militia began withdrawing from Beirut today, and Lebanese army troops began deploying in the capital. The regular army forces will oversee a plan to end 15 years of militia rule and re-unify the Lebanese capital city. The Amal fighters were seen heading for southern Lebanon in a convoy of cars and armored vehicles. Other militiamen are to withdraw to the Christian heartland in northern Lebanon.

Representatives of 12 nations are meeting in Indonesia today to try again to forge a peace agreement for Cambodia. Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas is hosting the conference and says any agreement will NOT be forced on the warring factions in the nation. The Cambodian government is NOT taking part. But the Indonesian host says the meeting is a preparatory stage to draft documents on which a peace agreement can be based.

The 15 members of the U-N Security Council watched an amateur videotape yesterday of the Temple Mount incident in Jerusalem. A Palestine Liberation Organization official says the tape contradicts an Israeli assertion that Moslem religious leaders incited the violence that claimed 19 Palestinian lives. Israel has refused to allow a U-N investigation of the incident, in which about 150 Palestinians were wounded.

President Bush met with his top budget advisers at the Camp David retreat in the Maryland mountains yesterday, looking over some gloomy economic predictions and beginning work on his next ''State of the Union'' address. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the president anticipates that the fourth-quarter economic forecast will show a downturn in growth because of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Police in Cairo are hunting a ''kiss-and-drive'' lawyer who gave his girlfriend a kiss in public and then nearly crashed his truck. An Egyptian Interior Ministry spokesman says the 28-year-old lawyer moonlights as a truck driver. He says the public kiss violated local laws in the predominantly Moslem state. Police spotted the wobbly truck and stopped it but the lawyer fled. Authorities say they are confident they will get their man. In the

spokesman's words- ''He won't get far. We have his truck and his girlfriend.''

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MANAGUA, NICARAGUA (NOV. 10) UPI - Former Contras and police clashed in a southeastern town leaving six dead and 35 wounded, after civilians and former rebels constructed barricades and took over a police station, officials said Saturday.

The former rebels against the Sandinista-led government, who disbanded after reaching an agreement with the democratically elected government of President Violeta Chamorro in June, have been protesting violently throughout the country in the last few weeks. They say they have not received the economic aid and land promised to them in U.N.- backed demobilization agreements.

Interior Minister Carlos Hurtado said six people were killed and 35 wounded, including nine policemen in various clashes Friday between former Contras and police.

Former Contras opened fire Friday on police who tried to remove a barricade constructed by protestors in the town of Nueva Guinea, about 190 miles southeast of Managua, Hurtado said.

Ex-Contras and civilians also attacked Nueva Guinea's local police station.

''Former Contras and civilians of the town attacked a police station and were held back with gunfire,'' Hurtado said. ''Several people were killed or wounded including nine policeman.''

Armed former Contras also stormed the police headquarters in the town of La Concepcion, some 25 miles south of Managua, local radio reported.

''Former Contras have taken over the Sandinista police headquarters in La Concepcion,'' the radio station said. The ex-Contras also set up barricades and blocked roads surrounding the town.

No casualty figures were immediately reported.

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(NOV. 11) UPI - DIGEST:

Auto Racing

Grant King, a former owner of race cars in the Indianapolis 500, has pleaded guilty to federal charges related to auto theft and the sale of stolen

vehicles. King, 58, also told U.S. District Court Judge Sarah Evans Barker he would continue to cooperate with a federal investigation of a multi-state auto and truck theft ring.

Basketball

Dallas Mavericks forward Roy Tarpley will be out of action for about three weeks but X-rays revealed he did not suffer serious injury when he fell Friday night during a game against the Orlando Magic. Tarpley's right kneecap slipped out of place and he had to be carried from the court on a stretcher. ... The Minnesota Timberwolves acquired power forward Bob Thornton from Philadelphia for a 1991 second-round draft pick. Thornton, 6-foot-10 and 225 pounds, is a five-year NBA veteran out of California-Irvine. He has averaged 3.1 points and 2.6 rebounds per game while playing for the New York Knicks and Philadelphia. The Timberwolves released guard Jim Thomas to make room on the roster.

Bowling

Pete Weber of Florissant, Mo., captured his 15th Professional Bowlers Association title with a 213-206 win over Doug Kent of Canandaigua, N.Y., in the nationally televised finals of the $150,000 Toyota Classic Saturday at Richmond Heights, Mo. The hometown favorite, Weber earned the $27,000 first prize in his second triumph before a St. Louis crowd.

Boxing

The Association of Boxing Commissions of America voted to notify boxing's three major governing bodies it will not recognize the stripping of any of heavyweight champion Evander Holyfield's titles if he fights George Foreman as planned. The ABC is comprised of state boxing commissions from throughout the country and headed by Nevada State Athletic Commissioner Duane Ford. ... South Korea's Yoo Myung-woo successfully defended his World Boxing Association junior flyweight title for the 16th time with a unanimous 12-round decision over challenger Leo Gamez of Venezuela.

Golf

Defending champion Jose Maria Olazabal of Spain shot a 3-under-par 69 to take a five-stroke lead after three rounds of the $1 million VISA Taiheiyo Masters in Japan. Bernhard Langer of Germany also shot a 69 to move into a tie for second with Masahi Ozaki and Shigeki Maruyama.

Tennis

Boris Becker has a 50-50 chance of playing in next week's ATP Tour Championships because of his thigh injury, the German news agency DPA reported. Becker retired from the Paris Open final against Stefan Edberg last week after suffering the injury.

Weightlifting

The International Weightlifting Federation passed severe doping penalties at its meeting in Budapest, Hungary. As of Jan. 1, 1991, athletes tested positive for drugs will be given a life-long ban, and the athlete's national federation will be suspended from the IWF for one year. If more than one athlete from a country tests positive, the national federation will receive a two-year suspension.

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NAPLES, Italy (NOV. 11) UPI - Pope John Paul II met the youth of Naples in the stadium of the Napoli soccer club Saturday at a rally marked by singing and dancing and a chorus of soccer crowd chants.

At least 60,000 young men and girls filled the San Paolo stadium to near-capacity and another 40,000 watched the pope on giant screens rigged up in public gardens outside the soccer ground.

The rally was the highlight of the second day of the pope's five-day visit to Naples and eight nearby cities. It was the longest single visit of the 93 trips John Paul has made inside Italy since he was elected head of the Roman Catholic Church in October, 1978.

As the pope drove into the stadium and made two circuits in his glass-topped ''Popemobile'' the crowd sang ''O Sole Mio'' and waved thousands of small white and yellow flags, the papal colors. There were also light blue flags, the color of the Napoli soccer team led by Argentine Diego Maradona.

While the pope watched from a platform, large groups of youths and girls performed Tarantella dances and a dance depicting the parable of the Good Samaritan, which was the theme of the rally.

The performances were accompanied by soccer chants from the grandstands. The crowd waved banners with slogans such as ''We have hope,'' a reference to the phrase ''Naples has need of hope'' which the pope uttered in his first speech after arriving in the poverty and crime-ridden city Friday.

In his speech at the stadium, the pope again referred to the scourge of violence by the Camorra - the Naples equivalent of the Sicilian Mafia - which has claimed nearly 200 victims this year.

''In modern culture, positive elements are mixed up with worrying symptoms of social unrest, an insidious crisis of values, of loneliness and many other signs of a widespread spiritual malaise,'' the pope said.

Listing various forms of violence in human behavior he said: ''It is violence to lead others into evil, by word and example, by hidden persuasion and with the promise of easy earnings.''

As the means of opposing ''such a culture of death,'' he urged solidarity in building the future of the poverty-ridden city.

''The protagonists of this action of renewal must be above all the young people, called upon to make themselves the builders of a new society,'' he said.

During the day, the pope also visited a plant of the Ansaldo steel company which makes trains and rolling stock for the state-run railroads, where he addressed 8,000 workers. He also toured offices of the Aeritalia aviation firm at Naples airport.

Sunday, John Paul is scheduled to visit the city's overcrowded Poggioreale prison and will hold an open-air mass in the central Piazza del Plebiscito.

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(NOV. 10) UPI - Cable News Network may face substantial fines or other penalties for violating a federal judge's order NOT to air taped telephone conversations between Manuel Noriega and his attorneys. The network defied a 10-day injunction against broadcast of the tapes last night.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz today ripped Secretary of State Baker as a ''war-monger'' and called on Arab states to re-consider their role in the helping American plans in the Persian Gulf region.

Baker is on his way back to Washington, D-C, after a week-long trip to eight nations to build support for U-S policy in the Gulf. He left Paris today after what he termed ''very positive'' talks with French leaders.

The hijackers of a Thai Airways jetliner to India are demanding to talk with Thai, Burmese or Indian officials at the Calcutta airport. They commandeered the plane on a flight from Bangkok to Rangoon with 221 people aboard... then freed 11 passengers after the plane landed in Calcutta.

Militiamen of the pro-Syrian Shiite Amal group began leaving Beirut for southern Lebanon today... replaced by Lebanese army troops charged with overseeing a plan to end 15 years of militia rule in the capital city.

Soviet President Gorbachev drew cheers from several thousand people on his stops today to wrap up a German visit. Gorbachev is to return to the Soviet Union later today.

A 12-nation conference to work on a peace agreement for Cambodia came to a surprising end today... three days earlier than planned. The Indonesian foreign minister says the nations agreed on a broad structure of a peace plan but NOT the agreement itself.

Thunderstorms and tornadoes injured at least 10 people overnight in Florida, where storms damaged mobile homes and businesses. The National Weather Service reports that much of the area east of the Mississippi River was plagued by heavy rains and local flooding.

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FREETOWN, Sierra Leone (NOV. 11) UPI - Leaders of Liberia's interim government were expected to arrive in the capital Monrovia Sunday to attempt to take control of the country torn by civil war and famine, sources said Saturday.

Thousands of Monrovians have been demanding the arrival of the interim leaders from nearby African states as the only way of beginning the reconstruction of the beleagured city.

The long-awaited arrival comes as the West African state faced growing problems of starvation and a total breakdown of administration in the capital, currently divided between rebels, government forces and the five-nation West African peacekeeping force sent to Liberia on August 24.

Bishop Ronald Diggs, the interim government's vice president, arrived in Monrovia aboard a Nigerian army helicopter Saturday. The interim president, Amos Sawyer, will arrive either by helicopter or aboard a Ghanaian naval gunboat on Sunday.

Sawyer was in the Ghanaian capital of Accra putting together the details of the interim administration before the government set up in exile nearly three months ago is installed in Monrovia.

Sawyer, whose government is made-up of Liberian politicians from political parties largely sent into exile by the late President Samuel Doe, faces a fresh military offensive by Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia.

Taylor's forces attacked the peacekeeping force in the town of Fendel Friday and appear to be making headway against the West African troops, witnesses said.

Sawyer's government is relying upon the peacekeeping force, which was sent by the Economic Community of West African States, to protect it in the event of attacks by Taylor's army. Taylor formed his own government three weeks ago

with himself as president and has refused to talk with the interim government.

Rival rebel leader Prince Johnson, meanwhile, said Friday he would not allow all the appointed members of the interim government to come with the new administration. Johnson, whose forces control half of Monrovia's city center, appears to have refused entry to two members of the interim government who he considers to have been too close to President Doe.

Gbai Bala, a leading member of Doe's National Democratic Party and Bacchus Matthews, a former foreign minister under Doe, have both been told by Johnson not to return to Liberia.

Johnson controls the port area as well as the hotel where the interim government is expected to stay. His refusal to allow the two members to take up their places in the administration is a blow to the new government.

Relations between Johnson and the new government are expected to be difficult, according to local political observers. The rebel leader has insisted the Doe forces still in the Executive Mansion and the nearby Barclay Barracs should be removed so that his forces can become the new Liberian army.

There are currently up to 5,000 people living in Doe's former mansion and the barracks, most of them Doe loyalists and members of his Krahn Tribe. Johnson's forces captured, mutilated and tortured Doe to death Sept. 9.

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BEIRUT, Lebanon (NOV. 10) UPI - Shiite Moslem militia fighters abandoned positions in and near Beirut Saturday and withdrew from the city as Lebanese army troops sought to establish a militia-free unified Beirut, witnesses and sources said.

The pro-Syrian Shiite Amal gunmen evacuated all military positions in Beirut's southern suburbs, but rival Hezbollah fundamentalists maintained visible military presence in the mainly Shiite region, witnesses said.

A convoy of 40 military vehicles, including jeep-mounted cannons and rocket launchers, and 100 Amal gunmen rolled southward along the coastal highway, the witnesses said. They said the force retreated to the militia's main bases in southern Lebanon.

Amal chief Nabih Berri, who described the plan ''as a golden line in Lebanon's history,'' said Friday he gave orders to his militiamen to gather their light and heavy weapons and leave Beirut.

Amal sources said the movement, Lebanon's largest Moslem militia, would keep open some 20 offices in the city for securing what they called social services.

Lebanon's various militia groups have provided medical and social services throughout 15 years of civil war because of the absence of government public activities.

Simultaneously, the Druze Progressive Social Party evacuated positions in the town of Choueifat, 7 miles southeast of Beirut. Witnesses said six military trucks, laden with cannons and ammunition, were seen moving to the Druze-inhabited Shouf Mountains.

In the east Beirut neighborhood of Ashrafiyeh, Christian militiamen loyal to Samir Geagea clad in khaki military fatigues and totting automatic guns roamed roads and alleyways.

''We are ready to pull out of east Beirut,'' said Eddy Abi Al Lamaa, the militia spokesman, in an interview at the LF main barracks near the militia-policed Beirut port.

''It's up to the government to set the zero hour for dissolving all militia manifestations,'' Lamaa said. ''We have good intentions and we will respond positively.''

A general atmosphere of relaxation prevailed throughout the eastern sector of the city, but marks of damage inflicted by two destructive rounds of violence remained visible.

Deposed Christian Gen. Michel Aoun had launched two military operations against the Syrians and Geagea's militia after he seized power in September 1988.

Aoun, who was ousted by a Syrian-Lebanese force Oct. 13, has taken up refuge at the French Embassy. The government had called on France to hand him over to face trial, but Paris rebuffed the request.

Heavy traffic jammed several roads in Ashrafiyeh as civilians shopped from vegetable stands, groceries and butcher shops.

Christian political sources said army troops of Gen. Emile Lahoud earlier Saturday took over six buildings occupied by gunmen loyal to the breakaway Lebanese Forces militia of Elie Hobeika in the Metn area.

The troops would expand their deployment to Ashrafiyeh and the port region within a few days, the sources said.

Hobeika was toppled by Samir Geagea in 1986 after he signed a Syrian-sponsored peace treaty with rival Moslem militias to end the civil war.

The Cabinet announced Wednesday that a demilitarization plan - called

''Greater Beirut'' - will establish a militia-free and unified Beirut.

President Elias Hrawi had said the government-controlled 9-to-16-mile zone was scheduled to stretch from the Kalb River, 8 miles north of Beirut, to the town of Damour, 11 miles south of the capital.

According to the plan, army troops were to shut down all militia offices and buildings occupied illegally by gunmen.

Official sources said confiscating arms will go along with disbanding militias which should be completed by March 21, 1991.

''By midnight Nov. 19, all militias should have completed withdrawal from Greater Beirut area and handed over bases to Army regulars,'' said a Defense Ministry source.

Defense Minister Albert Mansour said Friday the government would not hesitate to call in Syria's military help if the Lebanese Army meets resistance from the warring Christian and Moslem militias.

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(NOV. 10) UPI - Secretary of State Baker today declined to say whether France has agreed to join any military campaign against Iraq in the Persian Gulf. But Baker told a news conference after talks with French officials in Paris that a ''strong consensus'' exists among allies in Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia. Baker wrapped up a week-long trip to eight nations in Paris, where he boarded a plane for the flight back to Washington, D-C.

The Iraqi foreign minister, meanwhile, attacked Baker as a ''war- monger'' and blasted him for NOT raising the Palestinian issue during his trip. Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz also slammed the United States for doing nothing to defend Lebanese sovereignty against Syrian intervention.

Four Burmese students hijacked a Thai Airways jetliner on a flight from Bangkok, Thailand, to Rangoon, Burma, today and ordered the plane to land at Calcutta Airport in India. The hijackers threatened to blow up the plane to back their demand for the restoration of democracy in their homeland. The Press Trust of India news agency reports that the sky pirates released 25 of the 205 passengers on board the plane on what are termed ''compassionate grounds.'' The demands reportedly include the immediate lifting of martial law in Burma and the release of all Burmese political prisoners.

Dissident leader Chandra Shekhar took the oath of office today as the eighth prime minister of India. The solemn ceremony in New Delhi came three days after the resignation of V-P Singh, the man Shekhar drove from office.

New Pakistani Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif announced the portfolios of his Cabinet members today. The assignments put officials from the regime of the late military president Mohammad Zia-ul Haq in key ministries.

The State of Alaska announced that Arco Alaska, Incorporated, had agreed to pay a 200-thousand-dollar fine for spilling oil on fragile tundra and to explore better ways of cleaning up such spills. The agreement announced yesterday covered the spill of 25-thousand 200 gallons of crude oil on one-point-four acres of tundra in August 1989.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 11) UPI - The Daily News denied Saturday it was recruiting the homeless to sell newspapers during a bitter strike begun more than two weeks ago.

Numerous press reports in the past week dubbed the strikebound tabloid, ''New York's homeless paper'' and said the News had been recruiting at city homeless shelters.

The reports said the publication's management was giving away bundles of newspapers to the homeless, as well as handing out subway tokens to shelter residents and telling them to report to the newspaper's East 42nd Street headquarters.

Homeless advocates have spoken out against the practices, decrying the pitting of those without homes against strikers without jobs.

''This is the lowest form of exploitation possible,'' said Mary Brosnahan, executive director of the Coalition for the Homeless.

Lisa Robinson, a spokeswoman for the tabloid's management, Saturday repeated a statement she made a week earlier, saying, ''We are not targeting the homeless. We have not gone into shelters. The Daily News is not doing that.''

But, she added, ''I'm not sure why anybody would have any problem with anybody who wants to make extra money selling Daily News (copies).''

The News, whose workers struck Oct. 25, cannot be found on most newsstands around the city, with news dealers citing either fear of striker retribution or support for the striking workers.

The News management has charged the unions are condoning striker violence, but the unions say the newspaper's specially hired security guards are creating trouble.

On Friday, one guard was arrested and charged with assault after a union

supporter said she and five other women were assaulted by men in the black jumpsuits worn by the News security forces.

The woman, Estela Vazquez of the hospital workers union Local 1199, said the women had paid a homeless vendor $60 for his unsold stack of Daily News copies and were tearing up the papers and dumping them in a trash basket when they were attacked.

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WARSAW, Poland (NOV. 10) UPI - An exhibition in memory of Marshal Jozef Pilsudski, the first leader of an independent Poland, opened Saturday under the patronage of Solidarity chairman and presidential candidate Lech Walesa.

The exhibition is a part of Nov. 11 independence day observances held for the first time since communists seized power in Poland in 1944.

Walesa, chairman of the exhibition's organizing committee, was not present at the opening ceremony due to presidential campaign meetings he had scheduled in Lodz, 75 miles from Warsaw.

Stefan Melak, one of the exhibition organizers said that, when asking Walesa's patronage, the committee had in mind historical parallels between the current presidential campaign and the times when Pilsudski was in power.

However, the exhibition was also viewed as supporting Walesa's candidacy.

Walesa, Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki and four minor candidates are competing in Poland's first free presidential elections Nov. 25 after former communist Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski yielded to calls for his resignation.

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#90314u0944 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (NOV. 11) UPI - Czechoslovak leaders met privately Saturday in an attempt to reach a compromise on dividing powers between the federal government and the Czech and Slovak national governments.

The hastily scheduled two-day meeting in the western Slovak city of Modra brought together the premiers of the three governments with representatives from the major political parties in an effort to solve the divisive question.

At issue is an agreement reached last Monday by the premiers to transfer much of the federal government's regulatory, administrative and taxation powers to the Czech and Slovak national governments.

The compromise would give most powers to the republics, leaving the federal

government with responsibility only for defense, central economic policy, foreign affairs, transportation and energy and raw materials.

But some federal government ministers fear the compromise strips the federal government of too much power, as well as necessary tax and other revenues.

If a new compromise cannot be reached, Prime Minister Marian Calfa could lose his government's support, precipitating a government crisis, say other politicians.

At a break in the discussions, federal Finance Minister Valclav Klaus told journalists he was certain the meeting would end positively for all.

''It is not necessary to dramatize the current situation. Everybody is searching for a pragmatic transitional solution,'' said Klaus.

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(NOV. 11) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

American Conference

East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	7	1	0	.875	229	136
Miami	7	1	0	.875	175	93
NY Jets	4	5	0	.444	175	199
Indianapolis	2	6	0	.250	112	186
New England	1	7	0	.125	120	244

Central

Cincinnati	5	4	0	.556	212	225
Pittsburgh	5	4	0	.556	171	147
Houston	4	5	0	.444	194	169
Cleveland	2	7	0	.222	128	235

West

LA Raiders	6	2	0	.750	154	108
Kansas City	5	3	0	.625	176	121
San Diego	4	5	0	.444	195	156
Denver	3	5	0	.375	190	205
Seattle	3	5	0	.375	158	166

National Conference

East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA

NY Giants	8	0	0	1.000	195	103
Washington	5	3	0	.625	185	141
Philadelphia	4	4	0	.500	199	172
Dallas	3	6	0	.333	119	180
Phoenix	2	6	0	.250	103	195
Central						
Chicago	7	1	0	.875	199	102
Tampa Bay	4	5	0	.444	163	208
Detroit	3	5	0	.375	206	220
Green Bay	3	5	0	.375	147	180
Minnesota	2	6	0	.250	177	181
West						
San Francisco	8	0	0	1.000	198	138
Atlanta	3	5	0	.375	208	221
LA Rams	3	5	0	.375	191	227
New Orleans	3	5	0	.375	136	157

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MIAMI (NOV. 11) UPI - A federal appeals court Saturday refused to overturn an injunction prohibiting Cable News Network from airing taped telephone calls former Panamanian Gen. Manuel Noriega made from jail to his attorneys.

The 11th U.S. Court of Appeals in Atlanta issued an 18-page ruling, denying CNN's contention that it had a constitutional right to air the tapes secretly recorded by the government.

CNN President Tom Johnson said the network would appeal the decision to the Supreme Court.

U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler Thursday issued a temporary injunction barring broadcast of the tapes just hours after CNN aired segments of seven tapes it obtained. Hoeveler extended the injunction to 10 days after CNN on Friday aired more of the tapes during its ''The World Today'' program.

Noriega's lead defense attorney, Frank Rubino, said airing the tape breaches the confidentiality of attorney-client conversations. He also said making the tapes public would jeopardize a fair trial for Noriega, charged with drug trafficking.

Asked what action he would take against CNN for violating the injunction, Hoeveler told reporters outside of court there were a variety of measures available, including fines.

Rubino Saturday asked Hoeveler to declare CNN in contempt of court for airing

the tapes. But before Hoeveler could rule on the contempt issue, CNN filed a motion asking Hoeveler to remove himself from the portion of the Noriega case dealing with the tapes. CNN attorneys said Hoeveler prejudiced himself by speaking to reporters about the case.

''We are surprised that Judge Hoeveler has commented outside the courtroom on CNN coverage and his considerations concerning possible contempt proceedings '' Johnson said.

Hoevler said he would let the chief judge decide whether his comments to the reporters were inappropriate.

The segment of the tape played Friday contained a discussion between Noriega and a legal secretary in Rubino's office, during which Noriega discussed witnesses in his case.

''Fortunately, they played a very small portion of that conversation, '' Rubino told The Miami Herald. ''That doesn't make it right. But there is no question that they violated the court order.''

Rubino also said he will request that drug charges against Noriega be thrown out, because the government tapes violate Noriega's constitutional rights to client-attorney confidentiality and a fair trial.

Justice Department officials have denied taping any privileged conversations. It is government policy to record all inmate phone conversations, except those between prisoners and their attorneys.

Rubino also revealed Friday that his law firm's investigation into how CNN obtained the tapes indicates the news network got them from the Panamanian government, which had received them from the State Department.

He said the State Department acquired copies of all tapes of Noriega's phone conversations from the Metropolitan Correctional Center, where he is being held pending trial on cocaine trafficking charges.

The State Department gave them to the Guillermo Endara government in Panama, which in turn made them available to a CNN reporter, Rubino said.

The State Department would not comment on Rubino's allegations.

Rubino would not reveal the sources of his information, but said he believed they were reliable. If the information is proven true, it should be grounds for a mistrial, said Rubino.

A 1988 Miami federal indictment against Noriega and 15 other defendants charges them with providing a drug trafficking and money laundering sanctuary for South American drug smugglers. A simultaneous indictment in Tampa accuses

him of conspiring with a smuggler to import more than a million pounds of marijuana.

He surrendered in the Dec. 20, 1989, U.S. invasion of Panama and was brought to Miami to stand trial, which is scheduled to begin Jan. 28. If convicted in Miami, he faces a maximum penalty of 145 years in prison and a $1.1 million fine.

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#90314u1140 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 11) UPI - So much for the Rose Bowl having any influence on the national championship race.

Both No. 2 Washington and No. 5 Iowa suffered their second losses of the season Saturday, relegating the granddaddy of the bowls to also-ran status and leaving the Orange Bowl as the likely site to decide the national title.

Greg Frey threw a 3-yard touchdown pass to Bobby Olive with one second to play lifting co-No. 24 Ohio State to a 27-26 victory and handing Iowa its first Big Ten loss. At Seattle, Brad Daluiso kicked a 43-yard field goal with 10 seconds left, giving UCLA a 25-22 upset over Washington.

Daluiso's game-winning kick killed any national-title hopes for the Huskies, 8-2, who were hoping to win their last two games while top- ranked Notre Dame stumbled down the stretch.

''The national championship is dead,'' Washington Coach Don James said.

The winning kick set up by Eric Turner's interception at midfield and a 21-yard pass from redshirt freshman Tommy Maddox to Sean LaChapelle.

Maddox engineered the win, which improved the Bruins to 5-5 overall and 4-3 in Pacific-10 Conference play. The redshirt freshman completed 23 of 41 passes for 239 yards and two touchdowns.

''I knew if you just keep working hard, good things are going to happen,'' Maddox said. ''We just said we're going to play 60 minutes and let the outcome be what it is.''

UCLA Coach Terry Donahue said Maddox ''has never acted like a freshman. I've never been around a player who handles pressure like he does.''

Maddox's favorite traget was Scott Miller, who caught 7 balls for 92 yards.

The Huskies, 6-1 in conference play, rallied to tie the score 22-22 with 2:36 remaining.

The Huskies, frustrated by the UCLA defense throughout the game, got a break on Miller's fumble of a punt and Washington's recovery at the UCLA 37 with just over three minutes to go.

On fourth-and-5, Mark Brunell lofted a pass over the middle to Mario Bailey, who slipped out of a hold by Turner, caught the ball while backpedaling and tumbled into the end zone for a TD.

After the ball was moved half the distance to the goal because of pass interference against Turner, Brunell scored from 1 yard out for a two-point conversion.

The Huskies regained possession after stopping the Bruins on downs, but Turner picked off a Brunell pass at midfield and LaChapelle put the Bruins in position to win with a catch down the right sideline for 21 yards. Daluiso's game-winner came three plays later.

At Iowa City, Iowa, the Hawkeyes likely wished they had saved some points from last week's 54-28 victory over Illinois.

''We had them on the ropes but we couldn't put them away,'' Iowa Coach Hayden Fry said. ''We'll bounce back.''

Olive's last-second score was the only lead of the game for the Buckeyes, who trailed 26-14 at one point in the fourth quarter.

''I'm extremely proud of this team,'' Ohio State Coach John Cooper said. ''I don't think I've been around a better comeback than we had today.

''At the end of the game it was our two-minute drill. Frey completed a couple of big passes and then he found Bobby (Olive) open and Bobby made that great catch.''

The Buckeyes took over on the Iowa 48-yard line with 59 seconds remaining. Frey completed 4 of 6 passes in the game-winning drive, culminating in Olive's second TD reception of the game.

Despite the loss, the Hawkeyes remain the Big Ten front-runners for the Rose Bowl, thanks to No. 17 Michigan's 22-17 victory over No. 15 Illinois.

--- AROUND THE COLLEGE SCENE ---

Elsewhere Saturday in the Top 10, No. 1 Notre Dame outlasted No. 8 Tennessee 34-29, No. 3 Colorado blasted Oklahoma State 41-22, No. 6 Brigham Young ripped No. 21 Wyoming 45-14, No. 7 Georgia Tech nipped Virginia Tech 6-3, No. 9 Virginia beat North Carolina 24-10 and No. 10 Nebraska crushed Kansas 41-9.

Also, No. 11 Florida State overwhelmed Cincinnati 70-21, No. 13 Auburn fell to

Southern Mississippi 13-12, California upended No. 18 Oregon 28-3, No. 19 Penn State defeated Maryland 24-10 and No. 20 Louisville held off Boston College 17-10.

In night games, No. 12 Texas was at home against Houston, No. 23 Fresno State welcomed Pacific and co-No. 24 Arizona played host to Stanford.

No. 4 Miami, No. 14 Mississippi, No. 16 Clemson and No. 22 Texas A&M were idle this week.

At Knoxville, Tenn., Ricky Watters rushed for a career-high 174 yards and two touchdowns and Rod Smith intercepted a pass at the goal line with 46 seconds left for Notre Dame. Raghib Ismail added a 44-yard TD run for the Fighting Irish.

At Boulder, Colo., Darian Hagan passed for a school-record four touchdowns and Eric Bieniemy ran for 148 yards and a TD for Colorado. Bieniemy, who carried 22 times, set a school single-season rushing record with 1,513 yards and improved his own school career rushing record to 3,825 yards.

At Laramie, Wyo., Ty Detmer recorded his 21st consecutive 300-yard passing game and Peter Tuipulotu ran for three touchdowns to lead Brigham Young. Detmer completed 35 of 50 passes for 484 yards, including TD passes of 13 yards to Mike Salido and 26 yards to Andy Boyce.

At Atlanta, Scott Sisson kicked his second straight game-winning field goal with eight seconds remaining to lift Georgia Tech over Virginia Tech. The field goal was Sisson's second of the game, coming after two misses earlier.

At Chapel Hill, N.C., Shawn Moore passed for 236 yards and two touchdowns to lead Virginia. One of the scoring passes was to wide receiver Herman Moore, who set an NCAA season record with at least one TD reception in nine straight games. The receiver finished with five receptions for 99 yards.

At Lawrence, Kan., Johnny Mitchell caught touchdown passes of 35 and 28 yards and Scott Baldwin scored on runs of 67 and 2 yards to boost Nebraska. The Cornhuskers defeated Kansas for the 22nd consecutive season in posting their 22nd straight nine-victory year.

At Tallahassee, Fla., Lawrence Dawsey caught two scoring passes and Amp Lee and Paul Moore each ran for two touchdowns to lead Florida State. Terrell Buckley scored on an 83-yard interception return and set up another Seminoles touchdown with a 50-yard punt return.

At Auburn, Ala., Brett Favre threw a 10-yard touchdown pass to Anthony Harris with 46 seconds to play for Southern Mississippi. The Golden Eagles overcame a 12-0 lead with two fourth-quarter TDs.

At Ann Arbor, Mich., J.D Carlson kicked a school record-tying five field goals and freshman Ricky Powers rushed for 113 yards to lead Michigan. Carlson kicked two 18-yard field goals, a 19-yarder, a 28- yarder and added a 51-yard kick at the end of the first half.

At Berkeley, Calif., Anthony Wallace scored on runs of 6 and 63 yards and the California defense forced five turnovers to upset Oregon. Ducks quarterback Bill Musgrave missed most of the game after reinjuring his right shoulder.

At University Park, Pa., Leonard Humphrie returned an interception 74 yards for a touchdown and Tony Sacca's 30-yard scoring pass to David Daniels snapped a third-quarter tie for Penn State. Leroy Thompson ran for 132 yards for the Nittany Lions.

At Louisville, Ky., Mark Sander returned an interception 29 yards for a touchdown and Louisville picked off four other passes to beat Boston College. Louisville improved to 9-1-1, their best record since Lee Corso's 1972 team went 9-1.

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#90314u1159 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

LIMA, Peru (NOV. 11) UPI - The U.S. Embassy warned Americans Saturday to avoid downtown Lima near government buildings, foreign embassies, and popular restaurants and night spots because of increased terrorism.

The warning noted this weekend is the American Veterans Day national holiday weekend and urged U.S. citizens in Peru to stay away from places ''where foreigners gather ... because of the increased MRTA violence ... at or near U.S. facilities and locations frequented by American citizens.''

The leftist MRTA, or Tupac Amaru Revoluntionary Movement, is Peru's second largest insurgency. It is based mostly in urban areas and is known to plant bombs and kidnap prominent businessmen.

Peru's largest rebel group, Shining Path or Sendero Luminoso, is also the hemisphere's most fanatic insurgency. It has extended along the spine of the Andes and into major cities since its first violent act ten years ago.

Shining Path's guerrillas consider themselves the vanguard of Maoist world revolution and, in the central jungle, some of its rebels are believed allied with cocaine traffickers.

Peru is the world's No. 1 grower of coca, the raw ingredient used in making cocaine, and the source of 60 percent of cocaine smuggled into developed countries, experts say.

Official estimates show more than 19,000 people have died in political

violence in Peru since 1980.

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#90314u1205 11/10/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 11) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Basketball

Dallas - Signed center Jim Grandholm.

Minnesota - Acquired forward Bob Thornton from Philadelphia for a 1991 second-round draft pick; released guard Jim Thomas.

Football

Kansas City - Waived linebacker Rob McGovern; activated wide receiver Fred Jones.

Hockey

NY Islanders - Called up forward Rich Kromm from Capital District of the American Hockey League.

Edmonton - Acquired center Max Middendorf from Quebec for future considerations; assigned Middendorf to Cape Breton of the American Hockey League.

Toronto - Traded center Ed Olczyk and forward Mark Osborne to Winnipeg for defenseman Dave Ellett and forward Paul Fenton.

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#90314u1232 11/10/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 10) UPI - U-S military officials in eastern Saudi Arabia report that a Marine was shot and killed by a bullet from another Marine's M-16. A statement says the Marine was killed while he slept in his tent camp and other Marines in the area at the time are being questioned.

Secretary of State Baker is on his way back to Washington, D-C, from his eight-nation tour to pump up support for the U-S policy in the Persian Gulf. Baker says there is a ''strong consensus'' among the nations allied in the anti-Iraq coalition.

In Baghdad, the Iraqi foreign minister called Baker a ''war-monger'' and ripped him for failing to mention the Palestinian situation in any of his stops on the trip.

Soviet President Gorbachev ended a two-day visit to Germany today, returning to Moscow after a rousing send-off from thousands of cheering people at his last stops of the tour. People chanted ''Gorby, Gorby'' and held up banners wishing him good health.

Reports in Moscow say the man accused of attempted assassination in a Red Square shooting on Revolution Day was active in anti-Communist politics. The reports say the man was a Leningrad factory worker and his shotgun was NOT capable of hitting Soviet President Gorbachev from where it was fired.

A state-appointed committee today publicly dismissed claims by two former policemen that they assassinated anti-apartheid activists as part of a police ''death squad'' operation in South Africa. The report comes shortly before another expected report by a judge appointed by the nation's president.

Senior officials from 12 nations reached agreement on a broad structure for a peace agreement to end the Cambodian civil war but failed to come up with an accord for the warring factions to sign. There is NO explanation for why the five-day session planned in Indonesia ended suddenly today after just two days.

The Justice Department and attorneys for deposed Panamanian ruler Manuel Noriega filed briefs today in federal court in Atlanta in response to a Cable News Network appeal. The network is appealing a federal judge's injunction against airing taped telephone conversations between Noriega and his attorneys.

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#90314u1428 11/10/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 10) UPI - Two members of a congressional delegation visiting U-S and Saudi troops in eastern Saudi Arabia say an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait will NOT resolve the Persian Gulf crisis. They say the Iraqi capability to produce nuclear and chemical weapons must be destroyed.

Secretary of State Baker pronounced the anti-Iraq coalition ''solid'' today, as he ended his seven-day, eight-nation tour of the Persian Gulf and Europe.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz described Baker as a ''war-monger'' today and blasted him for failing to mention the Palestinian situation at any of the stops on his eight-nation tour.

The Shiite Moslem Amal militia gave up its positions and withdrew its fightings from Beirut today in the first step of a plan to end 15 years of civil war and re-unify the capital city of Lebanon.

Indians officials in Calcutta set up a news conference today for two Burmese university students who had commandeered a Thai Airways jetliner carrying more than 200 people. The two said they had NO weapons and used bars of soap to make fake bombs to take over the plane. The passengers were released unharmed.

Pope John Paul met the youth of Naples in a huge rally at the Napoli soccer stadium... a gathering of 60-thousand youths in the stadium and another 40-thousand viewing the pontiff on giant screens outside.

Sources in Sierre Leone say the interim government of Liberia is to fly back into Monrovia tomorrow to try to take control of a nation that is torn by civil war and famine. Thousands of Monrovians have been demanding the return of the officials from nearby African states.

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#90314u1530 11/10/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 10) UPI - Reports published today in the Soviet Union say the man accused of firing a sawed-off shootgun three days ago in Red Square was active in anti-Communist politics. The reports also say the gun used in the incident was incapable of reaching President Gorbachev The powder has been viewed as a safe alternative to anabolic steroids. It has also been marketed as a ''legal psychedelic'' due to its L-S-D-like high.

The New York Daily News denies that it is recruiting the homeless to sell newspapers during the bitter strike that began more than two weeks ago. A spokeswoman for the tabloid's management issued the denial today. However, the spokeswoman added that she is NOT sure why- qute- ''anybody would have any problem with anybody who wants to make extra money selling'' copies the paper.

A Disney production executive calls it ''an extremely unfortunate and unforseeable accident.'' Los Angeles police say one man is hospitalized in critical condition and another was treated and released after a routine stunt went awry early today on a Disney set in Hollywood Hills. Police say the men fell 25 feet, with one landing in some bushes and the other hitting a tree.

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#90314u1724 11/10/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 10) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev left Germany today after a two-day visit symbolizing the post-unification relationship between the Soviet Union and Germany. Before leaving, the Soviet leader was cheered by thousands of Germans waving Soviet flags, chanting ''Gorby, Gorby.''

Witnesses and sources in Beirut say Lebanon's army is moving to establish a militia-free unified Beirut. Sources say confiscating weapons will go along with the disbanding of militias, a process that should be complete by the end of March.

Senate Democrats and Republicans will elect their party chiefs for the 102nd Congress at secret sessions Tuesday. The men who already hold the posts- Maine Democrat George Mitchell and Republican Robert Dole of Kansas- are running

unopposed.

Virginia Governor L. Douglas Wilder says he's ''very disappointed'' that President Bush vetoed a civil rights bill, saying Bush is trying to- quote- ''turn back the clock.'' Wilder is viewed as a possible rival to Bush in 1992.

Guatemalans will cast ballots tomorrow in a presidential election that follows a campaign marked by violence. Dozens of political party activists and several elected officials have been shot dead in recent weeks.

The lawyer for a Cuban intelligence agent says her client faces certain death if deported back to his homeland. Juan Manuel Rodriguez- Camejo is being held in San Diego. He asked for political asylum when arrested at the Mexican border.

-30- 1614
#90314u1905 11/10/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 10) UPI - A federal appeals court has refused to overturn an injunction prohibiting Cable News Network from airing telephone calls between Manuel Noriega and his attorneys. The 11th U-S Court of Appeals today disputed C-N-N's contention that it has a constitutional right to air the tapes secretly recorded by the government. C-N-N says it'll appeal the ruling to the U-S Supreme Court.Panama's deposed ruler is awaiting trial on drug charges in Miami.

A U-S congressional delegation visited American troops in Saudi Arabia today, saying an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait will NOT end the crisis. Representatives John Murtha of Pennsylvania and New York's Stephen Solarz- both Democrats- say Iraq's ability to produce nuclear and chemical weapons must be destroyed. Murtha described U-S soldiers as ''sober and realistic.''

The U-S Embassy in Peru is warning Americans to avoid parts of downtown Lima- especially government buildings, foreign embassies and popular night spots. The word of caution came along with a note that this is the American Veterans Day national holiday weekend... and there has been increased rebel violence toward Americans in Peru. Officials estimate more than 19-thousand people have died in political violence in Peru since 1980.

A day of violence in the Philippines. Authorities say attackers fired grenades at the U-S Embassy and gunmen ambushed and killed three policemen in separate incidents today. The incidents came on the eve of President Aquino's departure for Tokyo. The nation's armed forces chief put the 159-thousand troops on red alert amid the increased violence.

A 15-year-old boy is hospitalized in critical condition in Long Beach, California, after getting hurt in a gang dispute. Police say the youth was involved in a gang confrontation late last night. Authorities say the teen

managed to get home on his own but apparently lapsed into a coma early today. His mother summoned paramedics when she could NOT wake up her son.

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#90314x0468 11/10/1990 ~Comtex

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 10) UPI - Two movie stuntmen working on a new Disney film were injured early Saturday when a routine stunt went awry on a set near the Griffith Park Observatory, police said.

One man, Jim Maderas, 46, was in critical condition with a head injury following the 3 a.m. accident in which he fell and struck a tree. He was scheduled to undergo several hours of surgury, a spokeswoman at County-USC Medical Center said.

The other man, Michael Sorna, 25, was in fair condition with cuts on his face suffered during a 25-foot fall.

The two were filming a chase sequence near the Observatory for the new Disney film, ''The Rocketeer,'' when the accident occurred. To give the effect of being chased, the pair was being pulled by an invisible cable attached to an off-camera truck, police Sgt. John Johnston said.

One of the stuntmen was wearing a special-effects rocket pack on his back that the other was pretending to grab as they skimmed across the grass. The pair crashed through a balsa wood fence as planned, but a mattress that was intended to break their fall instead sent them up in the air and over an incline.

The men fell an estimated 25 feet into a wooded area adjacent to the Observatory. Sorna landed in bushes and Maderas hit a tree, police said.

Johnston said the stunt appeared to be a fairly routine movie special effect.

''It's just a miscalculation of a stunt,'' Johnston said.

Disney representatives could not immediately be reached for comment.

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#90315d4090 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (NOV. 11) - Iran is to stage joint air-sea military exercises in the Gulf next month to prepare in case of war in the region, the Iranian navy's commander announced here Sunday.

Rear Admiral Ali Shamkhani said the ten-day manoeuvres, code-named "Victory," would start on December 12.

Around 50 missile-boats, frigates and gunboats, as well as helicopters and hundreds of speedboats, are to take part in what he called Iran's largest ever joint air-sea exercises.

The manoeuvres will cover a zone of 30,000 square kilometres (12,000 sq. miles), including Iranian islands opposite the United Arab Emirates in the southern Gulf, the Strait of Hormuz and the Gulf of Oman.

"The aim of the military games is to keep the armed forces ready with a view to any unexpected situation in the region with regards to the mass presence of foreign naval fleets," Rear Adm. Shamkhani said.

The Iranian news agency IRNA also quoted him as denying "rumours that Iran was collaborating with one of the parties involved in the Persian Gulf crisis."

A U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the Gulf following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2. The main task of foreign navies to date has been to help implement an international trade embargo against Iraq.

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#90315d4100 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 11) - The Egyptian foreign ministry Sunday urged Israel to pull out its troops from southern Lebanon in accordance with United Nations Security Council resolution 425 passed in 1978.

The country's news agency Mena quoted a communique as saying Egypt was ''very concerned'' about a statement by Israeli Defence Minister Moshe Arens, who said Israel would not allow the Beirut government to extend its authority to areas it (Israel) occupies in southern Lebanon.

Arens said last Thursday in the Israeli self-proclaimed ''security zone'' in southern Lebanon that Israel would prevent the Lebanese army from taking control of areas it occupies as long as the security of its northern border was not guaranteed.

The minister was speaking after inspecting Israeli positions and units of the Israeli-backed militia South Lebanon Army, which is led by renegade Lebanese Christian army general Antoine Lahad.

The Egyptian foreign minisry said Arens' statements showed that Israel was using the excuse of its security in order to refuse an Israeli withdrawal from southern Lebanon.

The Lebanese government must be supported in its bid to implement the Taif peace accord, which was signed by a majority of Lebanese deputies in Saudi Arabia last year. The Egyptian ministry pointed out that this peace agreement included an Israeli pullout from southern Lebanon.

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#90315d4120 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RABAT (NOV. 11) - King Hassan II of Morocco has invited Arab nations to an "exceptional summit" to provide a "new chance" for finding a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis, he said in a broadcast speech Sunday.

Saying his speech was meant for the "Arab nation", the king said Morocco would host the meeting within a week, and it would be held on the basis of "decisions made by the international community".

He said if Arab leaders prefer to have the meeting held elsewhere, he would not object and would attend personally, wherever it was held.

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#90315d4140 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
COPENHAGEN (NOV. 11) - The Danish Progress Party, the right-wing group known for its strong stance against taxes, broke up Sunday when the party's founder Mogens Glistrup announced the establishment of a new party.

The Progress Party has 16 seats in parliament and between 2 and 5 of its Mps were expected to follow Glistrup into his new party, to be called ''The Party of Well-Being''.

The decisions were taken Saturday at a secret meeting between Glistrup and some 60 members of the Progress Party. Glistrup, the party's honorary chairman for life, had been involved in a power struggle with its present political leader, Pia Kjaersgrd. She favours a more moderate profile.

Glistrup founded the Progress Party in 1971 on a wave of tax discontent. At the time he owned Denmark's largest law firm, specialising in tax cases. His party made a landslide entry into the Danish parliament, the Folketing, in 1973, gaining the second largest number of seats.

In 1983 he was sentenced to three years in prison for tax fraud, and expelled from parliament. After serving 18 months of his sentence, he was released in 1985, and re-elected to the Folketing in 1987.

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#90315d4160 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 11) - Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen arrived in Baghdad Sunday for talks with Iraqi officials on the Gulf crisis, Baghdad Radio reported.

It said Qian, who was received at the airport by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tarek

Aziz, will stay for two days in Baghdad.

The Chinese foreign minister is expected to meet Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to discuss ways of promoting a peaceful settlement to the Gulf crisis spawned by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Qian had come from Amman where he discussed the same issue with Jordan's King Hussein and Foreign Minister Marwan Qasem.

Iraq is the last leg of Qian's four-nation tour which included Saudi Arabia and Egypt where he also conferred on the Gulf crisis with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker.

Qian said before a scheduled meeting with Saddam that it was too early to determine if China would support a U.N. Security Council resolution to use force in the Gulf crisis.

He told reporters before leaving Amman that China opposed the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait and supported intensified efforts to find a peaceful solution to the crisis.

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#90315d4170 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 11) - A British parliamentarian left London on Sunday for Iraq, where he hopes to meet British hostages.

Ron Brown, a Labour MP, said he hoped to meet six Scottish hostages from his constitutency, Edinburgh, and said he was keeping his "fingers crossed that some people may be allowed to return home with me."

Last month, former prime minister Edward Heath went to Iraq and returned with about 30 hostages.

Another Labour MP, Tony Benn, said he intends to go to Iraq in the next few weeks to talk to Iraqi officials about a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

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#90315d4210 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 11) - Israeli troops opened fire Sunday to disperse a demonstration on the Gaza Strip, wounding three Palestinians in Nusseirat refugee camp, Palestinian sources reported.

Clashes between troops and demonstrators also erupted in Shatti refugee camp on the Gaza Strip and in the West Bank communities of Ramallah and Tulkarm, where no casualties were reported.

In Nablus in the northern West Bank, two petrol bombs were hurled at an Israeli army patrol while a third incendiary device was thrown at a military jeep in Bethlehem.

There were no reported injuries in any of the three attacks.

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#90315d4220 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 11) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said in an interview with ITN television here Sunday that he was ready for comprehensive talks on security in the Middle East.

Questioned on whether Iraq would leave Kuwait, Mr. Hussein said, "We are ready to enter into deep dialogue as to the requirements for security in our region."

"We are confident that these parties will reach serious and deep solutions to all the issues, in the forefront of which will be the Palestinian question."

Mr. Hussein also said the whole world disagreed with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher over the issue of Iraqi compensation for damage caused in Kuwait after the August 2 invasion.

"Mrs. Thatcher says this -- has she consulted with the world, which she says is against us? Has she consulted the world before she made this statement against us?" Mr. Hussein asked.

The Iraqi president said there was no support in the world for that view.

The interview was to be broadcast by CNN television late Sunday.

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#90315d4230 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 11) - About 10,000 Palestinans from the Israeli-occupied territories will be banned in a few weeks from entering Israel for an indefinte time, a senior Israeli official said here Sunday.

The head of the administration in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, Shmuel Goren, said these persons were connected with acts of violence or had been conviced.

An estimated 130,000 Palestinians from the territories work inside Israel's pre-1967 borders. Most of them earn less than Israeli citizens and many have been hired illegally.

Goren said the planned move aimed at cutting down the number of Palestinian attacks in Israel. Eleven such attacks have been carried out during the past

three weeks in Israel and Jerusalem.

A palestinian knifed an Israeli policeman and seriously injured him in Jerusalem's Old City Saturday. Another Arab tried to kill his Israeli employer with an axe in Jerusalem the day before.

A wave of knifing against mainly Israeli security forces in Israel and Jerusalem began shortly after Israeli forces killed between 16 and 21 Palestinians on the Temple Mount in annexed Arab East Jerusalem on November 8.

These actions were ordered by the underground Palestinian uprising (Intifada) leadership, which is linked to the Tunis-based Palestine Liberation Organization.

Goren claimed the current wave of violence was connected to a rise of Islamic fundamentalism in the West Bank.

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#90315d4290 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 11) - An age-old Japanese tradition will be enacted before a worldwide audience Monday, when the 56-year-old Emperor Akihito solemnly declares his accession to the Chrysanthemum throne.

On his way to becoming Japan's 125th emperor, Emperor Akihito, the eldest son of the late emperor Hirohito who died in January 1989, will take his place on the throne at one p.m. (0400 GMT) and deliver his first imperial address.

The emperor, dressed in traditional costume from the Heian era (794-1185) will have by his side the Emperess Michiko, wearing a 12-ply kimono and sitting on a slightly smaller throne.

The ceremony, in front of 2,500 guests including 500 foreign dignitaries and their wives, should not last more than half-an-hour. Many of those invited will have to watch the event on televisions due to the scarcity of seats in the main hall.

The greatest care has been taken with the preparations for the enthronement, the first under Japan's post-war constitution that made the emperor a purely symbolic figurehead instead of the "living god" of the past.

During Emperor Hirohito's enthronement in 1928, the prime minister paid homage from the bottom of the staircase leading to the throne, which was set in an octagonal structure with a black, gilded roof, decorated with a magnificent phoenix.

This time, however, Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu will stand level with Akihito when he hails him by calling "banzai" three times.

The rest of those present will then echo the cry which means "Long Live The Emperor."

That seemingly unimportant detail has sparked a long debate, with opposition groups attacking the "banzai" ritual for its military overtones -- it was the Imperial Japanese army's war cry in World War II.

The official ceremony of enthronement clears the way for seven banquets and about 20 Shinto rites, culminating late November 22 with the overnight ritual of "daijosai."

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#90315d4320 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 11) - In just two days last week, Chancellor Helmut Kohl laid what he hopes will be the foundations for a rebirth in relations between newly united Germany and eastern Europe.

On Thursday, he met with Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki of Poland and vowed to speed the signature of a treaty to recognise the Oder-Neisse line, the Polish-German border that is bitterly contested by Germans expelled from eastern territories after World War II.

The following day, he and President Mikhail Gorbachev signed a 20-year treaty of "Neighbourship, Partnership and Cooperation" -- effectively a non-aggression pact that aims at removing any lingering Soviet fears of German nationalism.

The message, to the two countries that were the biggest victims of Nazism, was clear: Germany is stable and democratic, a guarantor of European peace, and a rugged source of support for eastern economies.

But many doubts and anxieties lie behind the shining rhetoric, the banquets and champagne toasts.

The main one: that the Soviet Union will unravel way before the great treaty comes up for renewal.

As summarised by the liberal weekly Die Zeit on the eve of Mr. Gorbachev's visit: "There is no Soviet Union any more. What does his signature represent?"

The perception of many in the West is that the Soviet Union teeters on the brink of chaos, as its component republics demand ever-increasing doses of sovereignty and the centralised command economy breaks down.

Mr. Gorbachev could be left behind, a tragic, empty figure, using his new presidential powers himself to issue decrees that no one obeys anymore.

As he said goodbye to Mr. Gorbachev, Mr. Kohl made a little pitch for Soviet unity, describing the Germans and Soviets as "two great peoples" destined for a greater role in world politics.

But German officials express worry at how the future cooperation is to work out in a country where traditional central authority is splintering.

Another concern in Bonn, and in German business circles, is the task of righting the eastern European economies at a time of stringency.

Faced with rising energy costs triggered by the Gulf crisis, and burdened with the bill of German unification, Mr. Kohl made it clear that, for the time being at least, his purse-strings have been drawn tight.

He has already promised more than 20 billion marks (13.3 billion dollars) this year to secure the Soviet military withdrawal from East Germany.

He met Mr. Gorbachev's repeated, though muted, appeals for help with vague commitments and a pledge to send a "high-level team" of experts to review the Soviet Union's progress towards a market economy.

German industrialists and other political leaders did not mince their words Saturday, warning that the Kremlin must not be half-hearted in its reform effort.

Social Democrat election challenger Oskar Lafontaine warned Mr. Gorbachev that foreign investors would only put their money in the Soviet Union when modern infrastructure was in place, and they were reassured about the future of their investment.

A representative of German industrialists, Otto Wolff von Amerongen, told deputy premier Stepan Sitarian: "The harder you push, the better."

Hinting at widespread skepticism amongst German traders, he downplayed any perspective of an upswing in commerce with the Soviet Union.

"We'll be lucky if trade levels continue as they are," he said.

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#90315d4350 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 11) - Paris's shiny new opera house at the Bastille launches its first real season on Tuesday -- while still struggling to overcome the technical and staffing problems that have plagued it since its official inauguration last year.

The imposing glass and concrete structure was inaugurated by French President

Francois Mitterrand and a host of world leaders in July last year, amid celebrations marking the 200th anniversary of the storming of the Bastille prison -- which stood nearby.

But since well before that gala opening, the new opera has been stumbling from crisis to crisis, with the dramatic sacking of its musical director,

industrial conflicts and now the replacement of the director-general just ahead of Tuesday's opening of "Otello" starring tenor Placido Domingo.

In January last year, only six months before the official opening, opera president Pierre Berge -- the right-hand man of fashion designer Yves Saint-Laurent and a friend of French President Francois Mitterrand -- fired musical director Daniel Barenboim.

Mr. Berge complained that Mr. Barenboim was spending too much time abroad and that his program was "too elitist" for an opera intended to be "popular".

With the departure of Barenboim, and a number of other distinguished artists who walked out in sympathy with the conductor, the opera then remained without a musical director for five months until Korean-born Myung-Whun Chung agreed to take up the baton that many others had refused.

One jokes that circulated here last year about the 2.9 billion franc (600 million dollar) building went like this: What is the difference between the Titanic and the new Paris opera? The Titanic had an orchestra.

Problems with the innovatory mobile stage and on-stage lifts which marred an earlier production of Berlioz' "Les Troyens" (The Trojans) are still in the process of being sorted out, opera officials say.

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#90315d4390 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 11) - Iraq announced Sunday it was having problems with grain supplies and that it would raise rice prices, as well as adopt stiffer penalties against speculators.

President Saddam Hussein chaired a meeting to discuss the economic problems, following the international trade embargo on Iraq in retaliation for its August 2 invasion of Kuwait, the Iraqi News Agency (INA) said.

It was the first time since the embargo was imposed three months ago that Iraq with a population of around 16 million people, has officially referred to speculation on the agricultural market and to supply problems.

The meeting decided to raise the price of rice, which is part of the normal daily diet in Iraq, and to "market all cereal products exclusively through

state channels," the agency said.

Stiffer penalties will be imposed on speculators, INA said, adding that the meeting was called after reports of "sluggishness on the part of some dealers in marketing grain through the state."

On September 3, Iraq announced rationing of nine staple foodstuffs, including flour, rice and sugar. It has also imposed rationing on a list of 15 medicines.

INA said the latest measures were being introduced "because of the reticence of certain merchants to sell their cereals through the state, to supply citizens with basic foodstuffs, and to improve the rationing system."

The meeting, also attended by several members of the powerful Revolutionary Command Council and government ministers, decided to form a committee to supervise its decisions.

Foreigners released by Iraq have reported, on their return home, severe shortages of rice, flour and milk in the country.

Baghdad has detained thousands of foreign nationals to deter an attack by the U.S.-led multinational forces that have deployed in the Gulf region since the invasion of Kuwait.

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#90315d4400 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (NOV. 11) - Former rebel Rhodesian prime minister Ian Smith Sunday defied a government ban on ceremonies commemorating the fallen of the two world wars and laid his own wreath in central Harare.

Last week an ex-servicemen's organisation was told by the ministry of home affairs that the ceremony - which has been held all over the country every year since 1919 - would not be permitted this year because it coincided with the 25th anniversary of Smith's unilateral declaration of independence (udi) from Britain, a move that invoked United Nations sanctions against the colony and started a seven-year war waged by black nationalist guerrillas.

But Smith, 71, arrived Sunday morning in a dark suit with a Royal Air Force pilot's association tie - he was shot down over Italy during World War Ii - and laid a small wreath at the foot of the cenotaph in Harare Gardens, the site of the annual services.

''I came here to remember my fallen colleagues,'' he said after observing a short silence with four friends. ''Then I will celebrate what is to me the greatest day on the calendar (the udi anniversary).''

He said he expected government ministers would have ''more intelligence'' than

to attempt to stop udi celebrations by banning remembrance day services. Every year, he said, ''we have a magnificent celebration.''

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#90315d4560 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 11) - Rebels in the northern Ethiopian province of Eritrea on Sunday accused government troops of killing civilians and looting their property.

The clandestine radio of the Eritrean People's Liberation Front (EPLF), monitored here, said eight civilians had been killed in the Eritrean villages of Adi Golgol, Quahayin, Maytsemre and Berekit.

"Besides those killed, six others were shot and wounded in the same areas," the radio said.

It did not say when the events took place.

The EPLF has been fighting for Eritrean independence for nearly 30 years. The rebels hold the Red Sea port of Massawa and are fighting government troops around Asmara, the provincial capital.

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#90315d4900 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (NOV. 11) - The government is to reduce the amount of fuel it supplies unprofitable enterprises in a bid to cut its balance of payments deficit, according to an official statement carried Sunday by Rompress news agency.

Romania's coal production has plummeted by 50 per cent, while increased energy consumption and higher oil prices caused by the Gulf crisis have created a "serious imbalance between energy reserves and the needs of the economy", the statement said.

One of the sectors hit would be "industrial and inter-urban transportation", which faced a 10 per cent fuel cut.

However "supplies to the public" for "electricity and heating during the winter" would not be reduced, the statement said.

Prime Minister Petre Roman and ministers in charge of the economy made the decision Saturday and were to submit the proposal to the next full Cabinet meeting, the agency said.

Industry and Commerce Minister Anton Vatasescu put the balance of payments deficit at 1.2 billion dollars for the upcoming three months last October 10.

The government also plans to "suspend the turnover tax totally or partially for November and December" to encourage exports and increase its foreign exchange resources, the statement said.

The government said its reform programme "cannot succeed without immediate structural adjustments". Total or partial reduction of energy supplies or quotas allotted to non-profitable sectors would be the first stage of adjustments.

Meanwhile, a panel set up to promote democracy within the army denounced what it called a resurgence of communist influence within the armed forces.

The CADA committee and four dissident movements inside the army said after a meeting here that "ten months after the revolution" one of their "main demands has still not been clarified -- the role "played by" the army in those events".

Defense Minister Victor Stanculescu said last month that democratisation measures called for by CADA had already been implemented.

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#90315d5290 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 11) - Libya on Sunday officially denied Chad government allegations of its involvement in the fighting between Chad troops and rebels in the border area near the Sudan.

A statement issued by the Libyan embassy in Paris and reported by the Libyan news agency Jana said that Libya ''denies categorically that has anything to with what happened in eastern Chad''.

It said that Libya was responsible only for its own border with Chad and not for Chad's borders with other states.

''The statement reaffirmed that what is taking place in Chad is a tribal conflict and a civil war,'' Jana reported. ''No islamic batallion exists and allegations to this effect are a mere lie.''

The statement called on Chad ''not to drag Libya's name in every time'' internal conflicts and problems erupted in Chad.

The denial followed accusations made by Chad that heavily-armed ''hordes of mercenaries'' of the Libyan islamic legion had launched an attack in the Chad government-rebel conflict.

The rebels accused the Chad government forces of having penetrated 45 kilometres inside Sudanese territory. The rebels said they drove the government troops back.

The rebels are led by former Chadian chief of staff Idriss Deby, who fled to Sudan with about 1,000 followers after a failed coup attempt against President Hissene Habre in early April 1989.

At the end of 1989 and again last March and April, Chad government forces pushed as far as 300 kilometres inside the Sudan to try to defeat the rebels.

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#90315d5300 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 11) - The Israeli government may agree to receive a United Nations envoy whose mission would be limited to examining relations between Israel and its occupied territories, Foreign Minister David Levy disclosed here Sunday.

Mr. Levy, quoted by state radio following a cabinet meeting, said contacts on the possible mission were underway with the United States.

The Jerusalem Post newspaper predicted Sunday that the envoy would be the personal representative of U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar, Jean Claude Aimee.

But Mr. Levy stressed that Israel still rejected a mission backed by the Security Council that would look specifically into the October 8 clashes between police and Palestinians here that left 18 Palestinians dead.

The government has refused to cooperate with any such U.N. team, arguing that to do so would compromise Israeli sovereignty over Jerusalem.

Israel's refusal to accept the mission triggered international criticism, notably from its principal ally the United States.

Diplomatic sources quoted in Washington Saturday said that under a proposal worked out with U.S. officials and Israeli Ambassador Zalman Shoval, Mr. Perez de Cuellar would refrain from publicly linking the envoy's proposed trip to the October 8 killings.

Mr. Shoval, according to government sources, warned Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir in a message that failure to reach a compromise with Washington on the mission could harm U.S.-Israeli relations.

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#90315d5970 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 11) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Russian Federation President Boris Yeltsin met Sunday to discuss coordinating economic reforms on the national and republican levels, television reports said.

The Russian parliament meanwhile gave a first reading to legislation authorizing private property in the Russian Federation, Interfax news agency reported.

Results of the private Kremlin meeting which lasted more than two hours were not immediately available.

Interfax press agency said the talks were held in a "constructive atmosphere".

The union draft outlining future relations between the Soviet Union's 15 republics is to be published before Thursday and will then be submitted to individual republics, according to Soviet officials.

Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov, Russian Federation Premier Ivan Silayev and the deputy speaker of the Russian parliament, Ruslan Khasbulatov, joined the talks later, officials said.

The meeting came after Russia, the biggest Soviet republic, launched a 500-day programme of sweeping economic reforms on November 1.

The programme was hammered out under the guidance of Mr. Yeltsin and Mr. Gorbachev earlier this year.

But facing opposition from the Soviet parliament and Mr. Ryzhkov, Mr. Gorbachev agreed to a more moderate programme last month that was largely based on a blueprint earlier submitted by the Soviet premier.

Relations between Mr. Gorbachev and Mr. Yeltsin soured following Soviet parliament approval for the programme, and the Russian leader lambasted the president for lacking leadership in introducing a free-market economy.

Tass news agency Sunday asked if the "road to the market economy will be covered together or separately".

"Reforms, notably those that are aimed at firming the ruble can only work if they are carried out in the entire nation", Tass said, adding that "results can only be achieved if Soviet and Russian leaders cooperate".

"Gorbachev and Yeltsin must understand that their continuing disputes harm their popularity", Tass said, quoting a statement by legislator Leonid Blizhnov after Wednesday's Russian revolution festivities.

The Russian parliament meanwhile approved state-owned, municipal and private property, each on a legal par with the two other forms of property.

A Soviet parliament vote last September only authorized cooperative property, prompting Sergei Shakhrai, head of the law committee, to state Sunday that the

Russian parliament was "pushing the national law to its logical limits".

The Russian bill said "the State must not usurp rights on the entire national territory" but will be on a par with any citizen, foreigner, legal entity and municipal council in acquiring real estate.

Foreign companies and associations will not be allowed to buy landed property, according to the bill, but may rent it.

The project also said that sales or rents will be made under control of municipal councils to avert skyrocketting prices.

Councils will also be authorized to declare contracts null and void if they are found to have been subject to speculation.

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#90315d5990 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (NOV. 11) - An Israeli soldier was shot and lightly wounded Sunday by gunfire from a car registered in the occupied territories, army sources reported.

They said the incident occurred near the Israeli settlement of Beth El on the occupied West Bank, after which the army set up roadblocks and called in reinforcements.

The soldier was standing at a bus stop when a passenger in a slowly moving car opened fire, the army said, adding that the vehicle left the scene in the direction of Nablus further north.

The victim was taken to Hadassah hospital in Jerusalem where his life was said not to be in danger.

Elsewhere, Israeli troops opened fire Sunday to disperse a demonstration on the Gaza Strip, wounding three Palestinians in Nusseirat refugee camp, Palestinian sources reported.

Clashes between troops and demonstrators also erupted in Shatti refugee camp on the Gaza Strip and in the West Bank communities of Ramallah and Tulkarm, where no casualties reported.

In Nablus in the northern West Bank, two petrol bombs were hurled at an Israeli army patrol while a third incendiary device was thrown at a military jeep in Bethlehem.

There were no reported injuries in any of the three petrol bomb attacks.

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#90315d6050 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAPLES, Italy (NOV. 11) - Pope John Paul II voiced a message of support and encouragement for AIDS victims worldwide during a visit to Poggioreale prison in this southern Italian city Sunday.

Meeting with ill and infected prisoners at the close of a three-day visit to Naples, the pope urged AIDS victims everywhere not to "abandon the fight".

Prisoners cheered him and kissed his hand.

One young narcotics dealer, speaking on behalf of AIDS convicts at the prison, appealed to the Roman Catholic Church "to help us find honest work when we get out of jail so we can re-integrate into society".

The pope said he had taken their appeal to heart but called on the prisoners to oppose violence and the desire for "easy profit".

He added: "I hope you find the spiritual strength not to give in and to find yourself".

Poggioreale, believed to be Europe's most over-crowded prison, has 2,026 inmates in facilities built to house half that number. Six hundred of them are drug addicts, and 80 per cent are less than 30 years old.

Justice Minister Giuliano Vassalli, who accompanied the pope during his visit there, told about 300 convicts at the prison chapel that the government planned a series of Draconian, but temporary, measures to crack down on crime following complaints from the public about offenses "by prisoners prematurely set free".

AIDS is an incurable disease transmitted through blood, especially through sexual contact, and which destroys the body''s ability to fight infection.

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#90315d6080 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 11) - Iraq on Sunday said an Arab summit proposed by Morocco must be preceded by "serious consultations" and must not be held under foreign threats against Baghdad.

Official Iraqi television described Baghdad's demands as conditions for its participation in a summit on the Gulf crisis called for earlier Sunday by King Hassan II of Morocco.

Iraqi television called for "serious preliminary consultations among the different parties to the Gulf crisis" and said the summit must not take place "under threats against Iraq by foreign forces."

King Hassan appealed for "an exceptional summit" to secure a peaceful settlement to the Gulf crisis, sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

He said the gathering would be held on the basis of "decisions made by the international community."

The United Nations Security council has approved 10 resolutions against the invasion and has demanded an immediate and unconditional Iraqi withdrawal.

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#90315d6090 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 11) - French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas Sunday warned Iraqi leaders to take the situation in the Gulf very seriously.

"Every day that passes without anything really serious happening on the Iraqi side aggravates the situation", Mr. Dumas said in a radio talk show.

"Iraqi leaders would be well advised to take the situation very seriously", he said.

His comments came as a French air base commander announced in Saudi Arabia Sunday that French warplanes would begin combat patrols soon in the Gulf.

Mr. Dumas met in Paris last week with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker. They are believed to have discussed U.S. concerns about confusion over the French role in the U.S.-led alliance against Iraq's occupation of Kuwait.

Mr. Dumas pledged on the radio Sunday that France would not "sway off the road laid out by the United Nations" in handling the Gulf crisis.

A U.N.-approved embargo of Iraq following its invasion of Kuwait on August 2 should however be given time to become effective, he cautioned.

Mr. Dumas suggested that the United Nations examine a resolution on the use of force against Iraq. There was some time left before taking that step, he said, adding: "We must use this time to make reason prevail".

Mr. Dumas also welcomed an invitation by King Hassan II of Morocco for a special Arab summit to find a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

He said however that it was "very difficult to envisage a useful Arab summit" because of a deep rift among Arab nations over Iraq's occupation of Kuwait since August.

The king had said that Iraq could not "possibly just wipe Kuwait off the map with a stroke of a pen and turn it into one of its provinces...just as it is

impossible for the Kuwaiti people to lose their identity overnight and become...Iraqi."

Exiled Kuwaiti Prime Minister Sheikh Saad Al-Abdallah Al-Sabah said recently that he did not think another Arab summit could serve any purpose "as long as the Iraqi regime is not prepared to withdraw from all Kuwaiti territories and allow the legitimate government to return."

Soviet Presient Mikhail Gorbachev and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein have also suggested that an Arab summit should try to resolve the Gulf crisis.

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#90315d6220 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Worcester, MA (NOV. 11) - World top-ranked Steffi Graf of Germany defeated arch-rival Gabriela Sabatini of Argentina 7-6, 6-3 here Sunday to win the final of a 350,000-dollar women's professional tennis tournament.

Sabatini, who had beaten Graf in the final of the U.S. Open, took a 3-1 lead in the opening set Sunday before Graf got into the match. Deadlocked at 6-6, they played a tiebreaker which Graf won 7-5.

Graf broke Sabatini to go up 2-1 in the second set and it was never again closer than 4-3 for Graf. It was Graf's 20th victory in 24 meetings with Sabatini and brought the German her 54th tournament title.

Graf, 21, received a 70,000-dollar winner's purse.

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#90315d6360 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 11) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein met Sunday night with his top aides to study a call made by Morocco's King Hassan Ii for an extraordinary Arab summit on the Gulf crisis, it was reported here.

Baghdad Radio said Saddam chaired a joint meeting of the Iraqi Revolutionary Command Council, the country's highest policy-making authority, and the Regional Command of the ruling Baath Party, ''to discuss the sudden declaration by King Hassan Ii calling for convening an extraordinary Arab summit in Morocco''.

A statement issued after the meeting implicitly criticised King Hassan for failing to consult with the Iraqi President on the proposed summit.

The statement said previous calls for Arab summit meetings had always been preceded by intensive consultations among Arab leaders on topics to be discussed in order to ensure their success.

The main party concerned with the issue that would be discussed at the proposed summit has not been consulted, said the statement broadcast by Baghdad Radio.

It stressed that the proposed conference could not be successful while efforts were underway ''to set the political stage for an American-Zionist aggression on the Arab nation''.

What is required to ensure the success of the proposed summit, the statement said, ''is serious consultations among the main parties concerned with the (Gulf) issue''.

The statement demanded that the proposed summit should not be held under pressure of ''the threats of foreign armies which have desecrated the sanctities of the Arabs and Moslems in Najd and Hijaz (Saudi Arabia)''.

It also said that a venue for the summit should be convenient for the Iraqi President to enable him to attend.

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#90315d6370 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 11) - Secretary of State James Baker will brief Canadian External Affairs Minister Joe Clark Tuesday on the situation in the Gulf, the State Department said Sunday.

Mr. Baker will meet with Mr. Clark during a one-day trip to Bermuda, department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said in a written statement.

During an eight-day diplomatic mission that ended Saturday, Mr. Baker met with officials from nine countries in the Middle East and Europe to discuss sanctions against Iraq following its August 2 invasion of Kuwait and the U.S. military buildup in the region.

"The secretary will brief Minister Clark on those meetings and they will discuss the Persian Gulf in general," Miss Tutwiler said.

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#90315d6390 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 11) - Former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt does not rule out a second trip to Iraq after returning Friday from Baghdad with 174 Western hostages, he told a German daily.

''I would like for others to act first. The hostages will not get out alone,'' he told the newspaper General-Anzeiger in an interview to be published Monday.

Mr. Brandt said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was not trying to gain time by

freeing hostages in small groups but wanted to show that ''if the United States finally decides to wage war, it will have to sacrifice its citizens.''

Iraq is holding some 3,500 Westerners, among them over 1,000 Americans, to protest the U.S.-led military alliance in the Gulf. The alliance wants Iraq to end its occupation of Kuwait since an invasion August 2.

Mr. Brandt said the international anti-Iraqi coalition was solid and that he feared ''Saddam Hussein does not realize to what degree he is isolated.''

Mr. Brandt was asked about governments negotiating directly with Iraq. He answered: ''Ask the French government what its position is. All the French have been evacuated.''

Paris has denied having held any talks, even secret ones, with Iraq about the hostages.

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#90315d7220 11/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 12) - Five Japanese, French and U.S. companies have won an order to build a coal-fired power plant with a capacity of 300,000 kilowatts in the Philippines, the Nihon Keizai Shimbun said Monday.

The leading Tokyo financial daily said of the total cost -- 45.4 billion yen (349 million dollars) -- 40.4 billion yen (310 million dollars) would be financed by the Japanese government's yen-denominated loan to the Philippines through the Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund.

The largest ever Japanese yen loan to the Philippines will be made in response to Philippine President Corazon Aquino's request during her first visit to Japan in 1986, it said.

The power plant is to be built at Calaca, about 120 kilometers (72 miles) north of Manila with its completion slated for 1994, the newspaper said.

Marubeni Corp., a leading Japanese trading company, and CGE Alsthom of France are to supply generators and turbines

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#90315e0004 11/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

RIYADH (NOV. 11) EFE - Iraq has extended until November 20 the deadline for native-born Kuwaitis to take out Iraqi citizenship or else be treated as +foreigners+ in their occupied homeland, the Saudi daily Al Nadua reported Sunday.

The Iraqi edict affects some 270,000 people who formerly enjoyed full rights

of citizenship in Kuwait. They were originally given until October 31 to formalize Iraqi nationality, after Iraq annexed Kuwait as its 19th province.

Another 300,000 Palestinians living in Kuwait when Iraqi troops invaded the country August 2, and some 120,000 foreign- born permanent residents mainly from the Indian sub-continent, were not affected by the decree.

Citing refugees fleeing Kuwait, the paper said that food, medicine, water and electricity were all in short supply, and Iraqi troops were building defensive fortifications and missile sites in preparation for an imminent war.

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#90315e0013 11/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 11) EFE - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said Sunday that pressure would be increased to force Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait and that the deployment of extra U.S. troops to the Gulf was a "clear signal" to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Baker returned to Washington on Saturday after a week-long tour of the Middle East and Europe where he tried to obtain support for a possible military blow against Iraq.

Baker said the alliance of nations opposed to Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait was solid and that there was a strong concensus on what is being done to pressure Saddam.

The military option was raised at each of Baker's stops in Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Turkey, the Soviet Union, Britain and France.

But some U.S. officials, who wished to remain anonymous, said France would prefer to wait and see if United Nations economic sanctions would persuade Saddam to withdraw before considering military action.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas has deplored the U.S. decision to send 200,000 extra troops to the Gulf and recently said +no one has yet started to discuss military action+.

The thrust of Baker's tour was to gain broad agreement for a possible U.N. Security Council resolution authorizing an armed strike against Iraq if trade sanctions failed and Baghdad continued its occupation of Kuwait.

He met with the representatives of the four other countries which with the United States make up the permanent membership of the Security Council -- Britain, France, the Soviet Union and China -- including Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen who arrived in Baghdad on Sunday.

Any of the five permanent members can veto a Security Council resolution and

China's support was considered essential for any military option to go ahead.

China wants Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait and has supported all U.N. resolutions against Iraq, but is reluctant to approve a resort to arms, diplomatic sources said.

Qian met Baker in Cairo and was believed to be carrying a message from Washington to Saddam warning him of the danger of war if Iraq did not abandon Kuwait.

The Soviet Union, which has not sent troops or equipment to the multinational forces arrayed against Iraq in the Gulf, has said it would support a U.N. resolution authorizing military action but said it would be better to wait for two or three months to see if sanctions work.

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#90315h0125 11/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
JAKARTA (NOV. 12) XINHUA - INDONESIA'S EXPORT OF LICENCED GARMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES, WHICH STANDS AT 2.5 MILLION PIECES THIS YEAR, WILL INCREASE BY 4.5 MILLION PIECES NEXT YEAR DESPITE THE ECONOMIC RECESSION TAKING PLACE IN THE BUYING COUNTRY, THE INDONESIAN OBSERVER REPORTED TODAY.

INDONESIAN EXPORT OF LICENCED GARMENTS FINDS NO BARRIERS CONCERNING THE RECESSION IN THE U.S. CAUSED BY THE GULF CRISIS, THE NEWSPAPER SAID, QUOTING A BUSINESSMAN.

THE BUSINESSMAN SAID THAT PRODUCTION OF THE COMMODITY UNDER LICENCE OR CONTRACTS COULD PAVE THE WAY FOR IMPROVED QUALITY AS WELL AS ACCESS TO MARKETING.

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#90315t1437 11/11/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (NOV. 11) TASS - MEMBERS OF THE PRESIDIUM OF THE SOVIET COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MET THE PRIME MINISTERS OF THE BALTIC REPUBLICS ON SATURDAY. THEY DISCUSSED THE COMPLETION OF BLUEPRINTS OF THE PLAN AND BUDGET OF THE SOVIET UNION AND UNION REPUBLICS FOR 1991, SAYS A REPORT CIRCULATED HERE TODAY.

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE SPECIAL FEATURES OF THE COMING YEAR, WHICH WILL BECOME THE INITIAL PERIOD OF THE ECONOMIC REFORM PLAN PASSED BY THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT PARTICIPANTS IN THE MEETING STRESSED THE NEED FOR COORDINATED ACTIONS AND THE PARTICIPATION OF THE REPUBLICS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE TASKS.

MEMBERS OF THE PRESIDIUM OF THE SOVIET COUNCIL OF MINISTERS POINTED OUT THAT UNTIL A NEW UNION TREATY IS SIGNED, THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CENTRE AND THE REPUBLICS SHOULD BE BASED ON SOVIET LAWS, PRESIDENTIAL DECREES AND SOVIET GOVERNMENT RESOLUTIONS.

THE FORMATION OF UNION, REPUBLICAN AND LOCAL BUDGETS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PRINCIPLES AND PROVISIONS OF THE SOVIET LAW ON THE TAXATION OF ENTERPRISES, ASSOCIATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS IS OF SPECIAL IMPORTANCE. IT IS ALSO IMPORTANT TO PRESERVE AND DEVELOP IN EVERY WAY BUSINESS TIES BETWEEN ENTERPRISES AND REGIONS OF THE COUNTRY AND TO ENSURE THE FULFILMENT OF THE STATE ORDER AND CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS FOR GOODS DELIVERIES.

REPUBLICS SHOULD COORDINATE THEIR ACTIONS IN PURSUING A SINGLE CURRENCY POLICY AND FIXING PRICES, ESPECIALLY OF FOODSTUFFS AND OTHER CONSUMER GOODS, THEY STRESSED.

HOWEVER, LITHUANIAN PRIME MINISTER KAZIMERA PRUNSKENE AND HER ESTONIAN COUNTERPART EDGAR SAVISAAR, WHO SPOKE AT THE MEETING, OPPOSED THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT STAND ON ALMOST ALL THESE ISSUES. THEY REDUCED THE WHOLE COMPLEX OF ECONOMIC, CURRENCY, BUDGET AND FINANCIAL RELATIONS TO TRADE EXCHANGE OR, AS THEY PUT IT, A "TRADE DEAL". AT THE SAME TIME, THEY IGNORED ALL-UNION LEGAL ACTS REGULATING ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES IN THE COUNTRY.

MEMBERS OF THE PRESIDIUM OF THE SOVIET COUNCIL OF MINISTERS, WHO ATTENDED THE MEETING, SUGGESTED THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BALTIC REPUBLICS TAKE PART IN THE WORK OF THE UNION-REPUBLICAN CURRENCY COMMITTEE, WHICH WOULD COORDINATE THE ACTIONS OF ALL UNION REPUBLICS AIMED AT THE FORMATION AND RATIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF CURRENCY RESOURCES, FOR THE SAKE OF ENSURING THE STABLE DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR ECONOMIES IN 1991.

DESPITE OBVIOUS ECONOMIC EXPEDIENCY, LITHUANIAN GOVERNMENT LEADERS DID NOT ATTEND A SESSION OF THE UNION-REPUBLICAN CURRENCY COMMITTEE HELD TODAY. IT DISCUSSED, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE FORTHCOMING IMPORTS OF RAW AND OTHER MATERIALS FOR LIGHT INDUSTRY, MEDICATION, SOME FOODSTUFFS AND CONSUMER GOODS. THIS REFUSAL WILL CERTAINLY JEOPARDISE THE WORK OF MANY ENTERPRISES OF THE LIGHT AND FOOD INDUSTRIES IN LITHUANIA. THE ATTITUDE OF THE LITHUANIAN LEADERS IS UNCONSTRUCTIVE, PRIMARILY FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF NORMAL FUNCTIONING OF THE ECONOMY AND THE SETTLEMENT OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS IN THE REPUBLIC.

SUMMING UP THE RESULTS OF THE DISCUSSION, PRIME MINISTER NIKOLAY RYZHKOV EXPRESSED HOPE THAT AT THE CONCLUDING STAGE OF THE WORKING OUT OF THE 1991 PLAN AND BUDGET COMMON SENSE WOULD GAIN AN UPPER HAND AND MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS WOULD BE FOUND JOINTLY WITH THE BALTIC REPUBLICS.

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#90315u0022 11/11/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 11) UPI - The United States this week plans to flex its muscle right at Iraq's door step. A U-S official says in Newsweek magazine that a Marine battalion will stage an amphibious assault within range of Iraqi Silkworm missiles, near the border between Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.

According to the official, the exercise was planned- quoting now- ''intentionally to raise the ante to show we have the capability and we're ready to take it right to their border.''

That word comes as Iraqi President Saddam Hussein announced he's ready to negotiate a settlement to the tense standoff in the Persian Gulf. But Saddam says he'll negotiate only if the Palestinian problem is also on the agenda.

Japanese authorities say suspected leftist radicals opposed to the enthronement tomorrow of Japan's 125th emperor set a series of fires and launched several small missles at U-S and Japanese military bases. NO one was hurt in the attacks.

Urban guerrillas have vowed to disrupt the enthronement celebration at the heavily-guarded Imperial Palace in Tokyo. Palace officials say the attacks did NOT slow preparations for the elaborate ceremony. An army of 37-thousand police officers have been deployed around the capital to prevent attacks.

The countdown clocks are ticking toward Thursday's blastoff of the space shuttle Atlantis to boost a military satellite into orbit. The countdown began on time tonight at the Kennedy Space Center.

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#90315u0101 11/11/1990 ~United Press International

THOUSAND OAKS, CA (NOV. 11) UPI - A plumber accidentally sparked a $7 million fire that swept through a new apartment complex Saturday just weeks before it opened, destroying 242 units and injuring two firefighters, authorities said.

The fire broke out at The Knolls, an apartment complex near Avenido de Los Arboles and Erbes Road about 3 p.m. Flames quickly consumed 21 buildings containing 242 apartments, Ventura County Fire spokeswoman Rhonda Roller said.

Despite efforts by more than 240 firefighters from five fire agencies, two water-dropping helicopters and 10 hand crews, the wind- whipped flames spread to nearby brush and burned five acres before the fire was extinguished five hours later, the fire spokeswoman said.

The fire caused $7 million damage to the $40 million unoccupied complex, scheduled to open Dec. 1. A portion of the complex was undamaged.

Two firefighters were injured, the most serious requiring hospitalization for smoke inhalation. Several private cars and a fire engine were damaged.

Roller said the fire accidentally was started by a plumber soldering some metal pipes.

During the fire, a water valve broke, causing a drop in water pressure which

temporarily hampered firefighters' efforts.

Smoke from the fire was visible from the Ventura and Moorpark freeways and caused traffic to slow on both thoroughfare.

Some of the firefighters were to remain at the scene throughout the night to monitor hot spots.

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#90315u0116 11/11/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 11) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	4	1	.800	-
New York	3	2	.600	1
Miami	2	2	.500	1 1/2
Philadelphia	2	2	.500	1 1/2
Washington	1	3	.250	2 1/2
New Jersey	1	4	.200	3

Central Division

Milwaukee	4	1	.800	-
Atlanta	4	1	.800	-
Detroit	3	2	.600	1
Indiana	3	2	.600	1
Chicago	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Cleveland	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Charlotte	2	4	.333	2 1/2

Western Conference

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Dallas	4	1	.800	-
San Antonio	3	1	.750	1/2
Utah	2	1	.667	1
Houston	2	3	.400	2
Minnesota	2	3	.400	2
Denver	0	6	.000	4 1/2
Orlando	0	5	.000	4

Pacific Division

Portland	4	0	1.000	-
Seattle	3	1	.750	1

Phoenix	3	1	.750	1
Golden State	4	2	.667	1
LA Clippers	2	3	.400	2 1/2
LA Lakers	1	2	.333	2 1/2
Sacramento	0	5	.000	4 1/2

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#90315u0133 11/11/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (NOV. 11) UPI - Voters cast ballots Sunday in the opening round of unprecedented multi-party elections for the assembly of the Macedonian Republic, the first electoral test of federal Prime Minister Ante Markovic's pro-reform political alliance.

Polling booths opened at 7 a.m. across the southernmost of Yugoslavia's six republics and were to remain open until 7 p.m. First results were expected Monday evening or Tuesday morning.

The early turnout was reported to be light. Some 1.3 million people were eligible to cast ballots for the 120-seat single-chamber legislature.

A second round of voting is set for Nov. 25 for districts in which no candidate wins more than 50 percent of the first-round votes. In such cases, runoffs will be held between the top vote-getters.

More than 1,140 candidates from 16 political parties and 39 independents were running in the elections, the first of their kind staged in Macedonia since the creation of the republic by the victorious Yugoslav communist forces at the end of World War II in 1945.

Attention was focused on the performance of the Alliance of Reformist Forces, a coalition of progressive parties forged by Markovic in July to promote his Western-style political and economic reform program over resistance by the leaderships of the major republics of Croatia, Slovenia and Serbia.

Analysts said that while the Macedonian contests are the least significant of a series of upcoming elections, the alliance's showing could influence its prospects in contests for the assemblies of Bosnia- Hercegovina, Serbia and Montenegro and for the federal Parliament.

The alliance's main rivals in Macedonia are a coalition of nationalist groups, a party representing the republic's 337,200-strong ethnic Albanian minority and the ruling communists. No party is expected to win a majority of seats.

Markovic is regarded as the only politician with a concrete program to transform Yugoslavia into a Western-style democracy and overcome heated nationalist passions that have stoked fears that the multi-ethnic nation of 23 million could dissolve in civil war.

The nationalist Croatian and Slovenian administrations and the communist regime of Serbia have been trying to undermine Markovic's program because they fear its success will reduce their power and gain him enough popular support to implement a new federal constitution creating a strong central government.

Federal authorities currently lack the power to impose policies on the republics.

Macedonia is the third republic to hold multi-party assembly election this year, prompted by the collapse of strong central communist rule, rising nationalism and the demise of socialism across much of Eastern Europe.

The elections in Bosnia-Hercegovina are set for Nov. 18, with a second round scheduled for Dec. 2. Serbia and Montenegro are to hold single-round polls on Dec. 9, while no date has been decided for the federal contests.

Croatia and Slovenia held Yugoslavia's first multi-party polls in 45 years in April.

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(NOV. 11) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

BOSTON (105)

Bird 6-14 9-9 21, Pinckney 0-2 0-0 0, Parish 5- 10 2-4 12, Lewis 10-19 4-5 24, Shaw 8-16 4-4 20, McHale 5-9 0-0 10, Kleine 0-2 0-0 0, Smith 4-7 4-4 12, Gamble 3-4 0-0 6, Brown 0-1 0-0 0, Popson 0-0 0-0 0,

Totals 41-84 23-26 105.

NEW JERSEY (91)

Morris 5-10 0-0 10, Haley 0-4 0-0 0, Bowie 3-6 4-4 10, Blaylock 9-23 0-0 18, Theus 8-16 6-6 22, Coleman 6-11 4-5 16, Buechler 1-7 0-0 2, Dudley 1-5 3-3 5, Conner 1-2 0-0 2, Gervin 2-6 2-4 6, George 0-1 0-0 0, Lee 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 36- 91 19-22 91.

Boston	30	20	28	27-105
New Jersey	25	28	26	12- 91

Three-point goals-None. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Boston 27, New Jersey 27. Rebounds-Boston 46 (Bird 13), New Jersey 41 (Dudley 14). Assists-Boston 16 (Bird, Lewis, Shaw 4), New Jersey 14 (Morris, Haley, Bowie, Blaylock, Theus 2). Technicals-Bowie, Kleine. A-16,101.

INDIANA (105)

Person 2-9 1-2 6, Thompson 3-6 2-2 8, Smits 4-13 2-2 10, Fleming 8-16 1-2 17, Miller 7-10 14-16 29, Sanders 0-2 1-1 1, Schrempf 5-11 2-2 12, M.Williams 2-5 3-5 7, McCloud 1-4 0-0 2, Dreiling 0-0 1-2 1, K.Williams 5-5 2-2 12.

Totals 37-81 29-36 105.

MIAMI (120)

Rice 10-15 3-4 23, Kessler 4-9 0-1 8, Seikaly 7-11 7-11 21, Douglas 10-13 5-6 25, Edwards 11-26 8-11 30, Davis 2-3 0-0 4, Coles 0-1 0-0 0, Long 1-5 2-2 4, Wagner 1-5 2-2 4, Thompson 1-2 1-2 3.

Totals 47-90 26-37 120.

Indiana	22	34	24	25-105
Miami	33	25	32	30-120

Three-point goals-Person, Miller. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Indiana 32, Miami 26. Rebounds-Indiana 41 (Thompson 11), Miami 42 (Rice 11). Assists-Indiana 18 (Fleming, Miller 5), Miami 27 (Douglas 14). Technicals-Indiana (illegal defense 2), Miami (illegal defense 3). A-15,008.

CHARLOTTE (86)

Newman 4-12 2-2 10, Gilliam 6-12 0-0 12, Reid 3-6 2-2 8, Bogues 4-11 6-6 14, Chapman 5-11 2-3 12, Tripucka 3-8 0-0 7, Gattison 5-8 3-3 13, Curry 0-2 0-0 0, Gill 4-11 0-0 8, Scheffler 0-0 0-0 0, Keys 1-1 0-0 2.

Totals 35-82 15-16 86.

CHICAGO (105)

Pippen 10-16 2-2 22, Grant 5-11 0-0 10, Cartwright 2-4 3-4 7, Paxson 3-5 0-0 6 Jordan 8-15 7-8 23, King 4-6 1-2 9, Armstrong 4-4 0-0 8, Levingston 3-6 0-0 6 Hopson 2-6 2-2 6, Perdue 1-3 2-2 4, Hodges 1-4 0-0 2, Williams 1-1 0-0 2.

Totals 44-81 17-20 105.

Charlotte	18	20	26	22- 86
Chicago	22	31	24	28-105

Three-point field goal-Tripucka. Total fouls-Charlotte 18, Chicago 19. Fouled out-none. Rebounds-Charlotte 33 (Gilliam 11), Chicago 43 (Cartwright 7). Assists- Charlotte 23 (Bogues 11), Chicago 30 (Jordan 8). Technical fouls-none. A-18,676.

DENVER (143)

Davis 9-15 4-4 22, Woolridge 14-24 12-13 40, Rasmussen 4-7 0-0 8, Jackson 12-19 1-2 26, Lichti 3-15 2-2 8, A. Johnson 0-2 0-0 0, Liberty 2-14 1-2 5, Wolf 3-6 1-2 7, Dunn 3-5 0-0 6, Gaines 1-1 5-6 8, Cook 3-9 7-10 13.

Totals 54-117 33-41 143.

PHOENIX (173)

Chambers 7-15 6-6 20, Rambis 1-2 4-4 6, West 8-8 0-0 16, K. Johnson 8-11 7-8 23, Majerle 9-18 3-4 21, Battle 8-14 7-8 23, E. Johnson 6-9 0-0 12, Hornacek 5-8 2-2 12, Perry 3-4 2-4 8, Ceballos 12-15 8-12 32.

Totals 67-104 39-48 173.

Denver 37 30 43 33-143
Phoenix 50 57 30 36--173

GOLDEN STATE (117)

Mullin 9-16 9-10 27, Tolbert 5-7 0-0 10, Lister 0-8 0-0 0, Hardaway 6- 14 6-6 19, Richmond 12-15 2-3 27, Hill 3-9 5-6 11, Pritchard 2-4 1-2 5, Johnson 1-2 0-0 2, Higgins 4-5 3-3 11, Marciulionis 2-5 1-2 5, Petersen 0-1 0-2 0.

Totals 44-86 27-34 117.

SEATTLE (100)

McDaniel 10-18 6-8 26, McKey 4-7 0-0 8, Cage 1-3 0-0 2, Payton 6-10 2-2 14, Threatt 6-15 5-7 17, Kemp 3-7 2-2 8, Polynice 3-8 0-0 6, Barros 3-4 2- 2 9, Dailey 4-10 2-2 10, McMillan 0-3 0-0 0, Meents 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 40-85 19-23 100.

Golden State 30 25 26 36-117
Seattle 19 26 23 32-100

ATLANTA (112)

Wilkins 7-16 3-3 18, Willis 4-13 2-4 10, Malone 5-13 4-4 14, Robinson 5-13 0-0 10, Rivers 9-13 1- 2 23, Ferrell 7-13 3-4 17, McCormick 2-6 1-3 5, Webb 2-7 4-5 9, Battle 2-6 0-0 4, Wilson 1-1 0-0 2, Wright 0-1 0-0 0.

Totals 44-102 18-25 112.

LA CLIPPERS (94)

Norman 10-19 1-4 21, Smith 10-18 0-0 20, Benjamin 6-10 0-0 12, Grant 6-12 2-5 14, Kimble 5-17 2-2 12, Bannister 0-0 0-0 0, Garland 0-1 0-0 0, Vaught 4-10 0-0 8, Martin 1-7 0-0 2, Garrick 2-5 1-2 5.

Totals 44-99 6-13 94.

Atlanta	31	39	24	18-112
LA Clippers	30	17	24	23- 94

Three-point goals-Rivers 4, Webb, Wilkins. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Atlanta 17, Clipers 21. Rebounds-Atlanta 60 (Willis 16), Clippers 48 (Vaught 13). Assists-Atlanta 28 (Rivers 9), Clippers 28 (Grant 13). A-13,228.

NEW YORK (93)

Vandeweghe 7-16 6-7 20, Oakley 2-8 7-8 11, Ewing 9-14 6-9 24, Jackson 4-7 3-4 11, G.Wilkins 3-8 6-8 12, Cheeks 2-3 0-0 4, Quinnett 0-2 2-2 4, Mustaf 0-1 0-0 0, Tucker 3-6 1-3 7, E.Wilkins 1-1 0-0 2.

Totals 31-66 30-38.

SACRAMENTO (88)

Simmons 7-17 3-8 17, Tisdale 10-20 5-6 25, Wennington 6-13 4-4 14, Sparrow 5-14 0-0 10, Hansen 0-4, 0-0 0, Mays 2-8 6-7 10, Colter 2-3 2- 2 6, Leckner 1-4 1-1 3, Causwell 0-2 3-4 3.

Totals 33-85 22-32.

New York	25	21	27	20-93
Sacramento	22	18	22	26-88

Three-point goals-Tucker. Total fouls-New York 27, Sacramento 23. Rebounds-New York 47 (Ewing 13), Sacramento 37 (Simmons 11). Assists-New York 25 (Oakley, Vandeweghe, Wilkins 5), Sacramento 19 (Sparrow, Simmons 6). Technical fouls-Kings Coach Motta 2 (ejected 2:13 third quarter), Ewing. A-17, 014.

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(NOV. 11) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	13	6	0	26	78	47

Philadelphia	10	8	0	20	69	65
Washington	10	8	0	20	58	55
New Jersey	9	8	1	19	65	60
Pittsburgh	8	7	2	18	75	65
NY Islanders	7	10	0	14	51	68

Adams Division

Boston	9	5	3	21	51	55
Montreal	9	7	2	20	56	53
Buffalo	7	6	4	18	58	50
Hartford	5	9	3	13	41	56
Quebec	3	12	3	9	45	73

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
St. Louis	12	4	1	25	62	43
Chicago	12	6	1	25	63	42
Detroit	7	8	3	17	63	74
Minnesota	4	10	4	12	47	65
Toronto	2	16	1	5	49	94

Smythe Division

Los Angeles	12	4	1	25	78	50
Calgary	12	7	0	24	82	58
Vancouver	9	8	0	18	54	59
Winnipeg	7	9	1	15	55	55
Edmonton	2	11	2	6	39	51

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(NOV. 11) UPI - James Baker headed back to Washington Saturday, while Iraq slammed the U-S secretary of state as a warmonger. Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz said Baker failed to raise the Palestinian issue during his tour that took him through the Middle East and Europe. Aziz, noting that additional U-S troops are being sent to the Persian Gulf, also said it's obvious that some Arab states are helping Washington- in his words- ''prepare for war.''

California fire officials say a fire sparked accidentally by a plumber caused about seven-Million dollars to a 40-Million-dollar unoccupied complex in Ventura County. Two firefighters were injured fighting the blaze that consumed 21 buildings... destroying 242 units. The wind-whipped flames spread by a nearby brush, burning five acres before getting extinguished five hours later.

Virginia Governor Douglas Wilder is NOT saying whether the University of Virginia football team should accept a bid to play in the Fiesta Bowl. But the

nation's first elected black governor confirms the Virginia Cavaliers have been extended a bid to the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Arizona. The school has called a meeting Sunday to decide whether to play in the New Year's Day game in light of Arizon'a rejection of establishing a Martin Luther King Junior holiday.

Florida has banned the sale of a nutritional supplement following reports of serious health consequences linked to the substance known as G-H-B. Florida doctors say seven people in the state needed emergency treatment after using G-H-B. The emergency order also cited 16 cases of G-H-B-related health problems in California, including seizures and deep coma. About 30 cases have been reported in Florida, California and Georgia.

A report published Sunday in Tokyo says a major Japanese steelmaker is looking into a BILLION-dollar steel project in Iran. A daily newspaper says Kobe Steel is conducting a feasibility study on the project at the request of the Iranian government. The proposal calls for a giant steel plant with an annual output capacity of about five-Million tons of steel at the mouth of the Persian Gulf.

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#90315u0161 11/11/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (NOV. 11) UPI - Authorities imposed emergency regulations and a curfew on the black township of Atteridgeville Sunday to quell rioting in which two people died and 25 were injured.

Law and Order Ministry Spokesman Leon Mellet said the emergency regulations for Atteridgeville and the adjacent Saulsville townships on the outskirts of Pretoria had been imposed Sunday under an order published in a special edition of the Government Gazette.

Demonstrators fought running battles with police in the township Saturday following the suspension of power because of non-payment of electricity bills. Atteridgeville residents had been boycotting payments to protest poor municipal services.

Two youths, aged 11 and 18, were killed Saturday. Police spokesman Maj. Ray Harrald said they had been shot in their homes but denied police involvement in their deaths.

The nearby Kalaphong Hospital reported 25 other people injured, all suffering wounds from shotgun. Seven remained hospitalized Sunday.

Harrald said youths stoned police vehicles and hurled gasoline bombs during the day Saturday, promping police to fire tear gas, rubber bullets and birdshot.

During the police action Saturday, police also fired tear gas to break up a

crowd dancing on one township street only to discover they had attacked a wedding reception.

Under the regulations, a 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. curfew is imposed and police have special powers to keep the streets clear of bystanders, search and arrest.

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#90315u0164 11/11/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 11) UPI - Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu and Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama met Sunday with foreign leaders who came to attend the enthronement of Emperor Akihito.

Indonesian President Suharto and eight other guests flew into Tokyo's Haneda and Narita airports amid the tightest-ever security Sunday. About 80 dignitaries are expected to arrive during the day, the Foreign Ministry said.

About 60 guests, including Britain's Crown Prince Charles and Princess Diana, arrived Saturday.

Representatives from 158 countries and two international organizations will attend Monday the accession ceremony to be held in accordance with the traditional Shinto religious rites at the Imperial Palace, the Foreign Ministry said.

Iraq was not invited to show Japan's protest against its invasion and occupation of neighboring Kuwait in early August.

Police launched a massive security operation, deploying 27,000 uniformed officers and plainclothesmen in the capital city to prevent terror action by leftist radicals who have vowed to disrupt the ceremony.

The leftists, who are opposed to the emperor system, set off home- made bombs at a police dormitory in Tokyo last week, killing one officer and wounding eight others.

Police said security will be tightened further Monday by mobilizing an additional 5,000 men.

Main streets near the palace, foreign embassies and hotels have been cleared of parked cars and barricades have been built at strategic points.

Tight traffic regulations near the airports and central Tokyo will remain in force until Thursday, police said.

Most guests were airlifted to the guesthouse from the airport by helicopter provided by the Self-Defense Force, police said.

Nearly 100 scheduled domestic flights in and out of Haneda Airport will be cancelled from Saturday through Wednesday, airport officials said.

Hungarian President Arpad Goncz, in his meeting with Prime Minister Kaifu, expressed hope that Japan and other Western nations will provide aid to Hungary to help ease the impact of international economic sanctions against Iraq on the country's economy, the Foreign Ministry said. He said Hungary suffered an economic loss of about $500 million as a result of the embargo, the ministry said.

Goncz also urged Western nations to relax restrictions on exports of strategic goods to the former socialist countries, it said.

Kaifu, in his meeting with Romanian President Ion Iliescu, pledged Japan's economic assistance to Romania to support the country's moves toward democracy and a free-market economy, the ministry said.

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CALCUTTA, India (NOV. 11) UPI - All 204 passengers who were released after two Burmese pro-democracy students hijacked a Thai Airways Airbus and forced it to land in India were flown to their original destination of Rangoon, Burma Sunday, police said.

They said the passengers were in a reasonably good mood despite their harrowing ordeal that began Saturday afternoon when two Burmese students, claiming to be armed with explosives, hijacked Thai Airways flight TG305.

The flight was en route from Bangkok to Rangoon when the hijackers forced the pilot to fly to India and land at Calcutta's Dum Dum airport.

The hijackers said they were armed with explosives and threatened to blow up the plane if anyone approached, but it was later learned that the two students had made fake bombs by wrapping wire around bars of soap.

All 204 passengers and the 12-member crew were eventually released after some eight hours of negotiations between officials and the hijackers.

Police in Calcutta said Sunday that the released passengers were flown to their original destination of Rangoon on another Thai Airways jet.

The hijackers, identified as Ye Marn, 24, and Ye Htinkyaw, 22, students at Rangoon University, said they hijacked the plane to focus world attention on military repression in Burma.

Passengers and crew were released unharmed after authorities promised to allow the youths to hold a news conference.

''We have succeeded in our mission to draw world attention,'' said one of the hijackers at the news conference. ''We need international support for our struggle.''

The hijackers said they were seeking the lifting of martial law in Burma, the end to all military tribunals, the release of Burmese political prisoners and the restoration of democracy.

Police said the hijackers were in custody in Calcutta awaiting a court appearance. The plane that was hijacked and its crew were at the Calcutta airport waiting for departure clearance from the Indian government.

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TOKYO (NOV. 11) UPI - Two men on a motorcycle lobbed two small bombs over the wall of a U.S. consul general's official residence Sunday, the eve of enthronement of Japan's new emperor, police said.

The two bombs exploded just after 6 p.m., breaking a window pane at the home of Consul General Gregory Johnson in Kobe, 300 miles west of Tokyo, but causing no other damage and no injuries, police and U.S. Embassy officials said.

David Monk, deputy press attache for the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo, said he could not confirm whether Johnson was at the residence at the time of the blasts.

A Japanese guard at the home, who is an employee of a private security company telephoned the police at 6:22 p.m., a Hyogo Prefecture Police spokesman said.

The guard told police two men on a motorcycle raced away from the house shortly before he heard the explosions, the spokesman said.

The bombs broke a window in the entrance hall of the residence, the spokesman said.

The blasts came one day before Japan was to crown Akihito, the son of wartime leader, Emperor Hirohito, as the 125th emperor of Japan.

Leftist radicals opposed to the emperor system have vowed to march on the Imperial Palace Monday to disrupt the ceremony.

Police blamed leftists for setting two time bombs at a police dormitory in Tokyo that exploded Nov. 1, killing one officer and injuring six people.

Asked if the bombing at the consul general's residence may be related to the enthronement, Monk said, ''I don't want to speculate. It is an awful long way

from Tokyo.''

Police said they could not tell whether it was related to the enthronement, but added they had begun their investigation.

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#90315u0175 11/11/1990 ~United Press International

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 11) UPI - A U.S. Marine was shot and killed while sleeping, and investigators were questioning two other Marines who were in his tent at the time of the incident, the U.S. military reported.

The slain Marine was a member of the 3rd Marine Regiment based in Hawaii, but his name was withheld pending notification of next of kin, the military said in a statement.

The statement said the soldier was sleeping in the tent about 3:10 p.m. Friday when he was struck in the head by a single bullet from another Marine's M-16 rifle.

Two Marines in the tent at the time of the incident were being questioned by investigators, the statement said. No other details were available.

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#90315u0189 11/11/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 11) UPI - A Chinese envoy said before a scheduled meeting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Sunday that it was too early to determine if Beijing would support a U.N. Security Council resolution to use force in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, on a tour of the Middle East that included a meeting with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker last week in Cairo, flew Sunday morning from Amman to Baghdad, where he was met at the airport by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, Cairo radio said.

Qian told reporters before leaving the Jordanian capital that China, emerging as a possible key player in the gulf crisis, supported efforts to find a peaceful solution to the standoff between Iraqi troops and a U.S.-led multinational force deployed to the region following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Chinese foreign minister had reportedly indicated earlier to Baker, and Arab leaders aligned against Iraq, that China would not veto a military resolution in the U.N. Security Council, of which it is a permanent member.

Baker, meeting Saturday with French President Francois Mitterrand, wrapped up a foreign tour in which he sought a mandate to use force against Iraq, which

has resisted all pressure to withdraw from the occupied emirate.

Qian said in Amman that no draft resolution calling for military force had been submitted to the Security Council, but was quoted by Cairo radio as saying ''a war would be a catastrophe, not just for the region but for the entire world.''

Vice President Dan Quayle discussed the possibility of such a resolution with U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar Sunday in Tokyo, where they are attending the enthronement of Emperor Akihito, a senior U.S. administration official said. The official, who asked not to be identified, would not say if the U.N. chief supported the proposed resolution, but said ''the striking thing was the degree of accord.''

Cairo radio said Qian may travel from Baghdad to Jeddah to discuss the outcome of his meeting with Saddam with the Saudi royal family, which has sent mixed signals about their support of a possible military strike against Iraq.

''These talks are crucial because (Qian) will probably be the last important politician from a country with a permanent seat on the Security Council to talk to Saddam, and explain to him the folly of his ways,'' Riyadh radio said Saturday.

Amman radio said Qian told Jordanian officials China opposed the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait and supported intensified efforts to solve the crisis.

In Bonn, Germany, Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev reportedly told German leaders ''he was concerned that it was possible to determine the beginning of a military conflict, but not the consequences.''

Officials of the Social Democratic Party said Gorbachev said during a two-day visit to Germany that he wanted increased efforts to find a peaceful solution to the crisis.

Turkish President Turgut Ozal, who has been a strong supporter of economic sanctions against his neighbor Iraq, met Sunday with Iranian President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani in Tehran to discuss developments in the gulf, the Iranian news agency IRNA said.

Ozal was quoted as saying ''the ball is in Iraq's court'' and that he hoped that Saddam would move to withdraw his troops and prevent bloodshed.

On Saturday, U.S. military officials said a Marine had been shot and killed while sleeping in his tent camp in eastern Saudi Arabia and that the bullet had come from another Marine's M-16 rifle. Details were not reported.

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(NOV. 11) UPI - New York City police say El-Sayyid Nosair may have practiced target shooting with a retired policeman from Connecticut. Nosair is the suspected assassin of militant right-wing Rabbi Meir Kahane.

Two stuntmen filming a chase scene for a Disney film were injured in a fall yesterday morning in the Hollywood hills of Los Angeles. One is in critical condition.

A fire has destroyed 242 units of an apartment complex under construction in Thousand Oaks, California. Damage is estimated at seven- Million dollars. A fire department spokeswoman says a plumber soldering pipes started the blaze.

For the first time since World War Two, Poland is celebrating its independence day. As part of the observance, an exhibition opened in memory of Marshal Jozef Pilsudski, the first leader of an independent Poland.

The Texas Board of Education has approved the use of textbooks that teach evolution. Since Texas buys large numbers of books, the same books are used in other states.

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GUATEMALA CITY (NOV. 11) UPI - The polls opened peacefully Sunday in Guatemala, where more than 3.2 million voters were choosing a successor to President Vinicio Cerezo amid a call by leftist rebels for an election boycott.

Some voters will walk for as much as 10 hours to reach the nearest polling place to choose among 12 presidential aspirants. Voters will also elect congressional deputies and municipal authorities in 90 percent of Guatemala's 330 townships.

The polls opened about 7 a.m. and were to close at 6 p.m. Results are expected to be announced late Sunday or early Monday.

Leftist rebels have urged Guatemalans not to vote, saying that elections will not resolve the country's economic and political problems.

Most voters seem apathetic and frustrated after a campaign marked by political violence and the failed aspirations of a former military leader to regain power.

Dozens of political party activists and several elected officials have been shot dead in street attacks in the weeks leading up to the election.

An estimated 100,000 people have been killed and another 40,000 kidnapped in nearly 30 years of political violence in the Central American nation.

The latest polls show Jorge Carpio Nicolle, a newspaper publisher of the National Center Union Party and former Guatemala City Mayor Alvaro Arzu Irigoyen of the center-right National Party of Advancement as front runners.

If no candidate wins a majority of the vote, the top two contenders will face off in a second round Jan. 6.

Other leading candidates are Jorge Serrano Elias, a former adviser to Rios Montt, and Alfonso Cabrera Hidalgo, a former foreign minister and candidate for the ruling Christian Democratic Party who spent the final weeks of the campaign receiving treatment in the United States for an inflamed pancreas.

Debate has focused on inflation, currency devaluation and the relatively small fiscal deficit. The major candidates strongly favor neo-liberal economic policies, although none have proposed significant reforms to the country's skewed distribution of wealth.

The landslide victory of Cerezo, 47, as president in 1985 ended 16 years of military governments marred by charges of electoral fraud and gross human rights abuses.

With Cerezo ready to hand over the leadership to another civilian in January, this year's campaign focused instead on the political comeback of retired army Gen. Efrain Rios Montt.

Rios Montt came to power in March 1982 in a military coup, and he ruled the country with force for 16 months until being overthrown by the army in 1983.

Rios Montt was the leading candidate in opinion polls before the courts ordered his name removed from the ballots because of a constitutional ban on former coup leaders from holding the office of president or vice president.

An opinion poll in March by the Guatemalan Free Enterprise Chamber showed 37 percent of those surveyed favored a military government and 42 percent preferred a civilian president.

Another poll, published in September by the Association for Research and Social Studies, showed 39.3 percent of Guatemalans did not care who wins the election and 22.4 percent cared little.

As in the 1985 election, the army has not participated in the campaign and its 65,000 members cannot vote. But one recently retired army general and a foreign military attache said resentment toward Rios Montt runs deep in the high command.

Cerezo has weathered at least two coup attempts since May 1988, after which government activity began to slow and political violence rose dramatically,

according to diplomats and human rights observers.

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#90315u0200 11/11/1990 ~United Press International
MADRID, Spain (NOV. 11) UPI - A Spanish company has signed an agreement to export 2 million condoms a month to the Soviet Union and build a $10 million factory capable of producing 30 million prophylactics a year, officials said Sunday.

''No site has been chosen yet for the factory,'' said Juan Jose Delgado Andreu president of Derivados de Latex. ''It will probably be in the south, where the climate is mild.''

The first 2 million condoms are to be shipped in December. The company said the factory will cost $10 million and 100 percent of its financing will come from Spanish sources. The planned output of 30 million condoms a year is expected to give a boost to contraceptive efforts in the Soviet Union, where condoms are in short supply.

The deal is part of an agreement by Spain to provide $1.5 billion in credit and investment funds to the Soviet Union.

President Felipe Gonzalez signed the agreement in October during Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's visit to Spain.

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BOULDER, CO (NOV. 11) UPI - More than 100 University of Colorado students became ill over the weekend after eating meals from several campus kitchens, officials said Sunday.

Fifteen students were treated Friday at a local hospital and another 65 at the on-cmpus Wardenburg Student Health Service. Another 30 were treated Saturday, campus spokeswoman Linda Baird said.

Nausea, vomiting and diarrhea were the common complaints, she said.

Students got sick after they ate a variety of foods served by several college dormitories, Baird said.

''Saturday night and Friday were terrible,'' she said. ''They really don't know if it was mayonnaise, chicken fried steak or a lot of different things.''

The Boulder Health Department was investigating.

Most students became badly dehydrated from vomiting and diarrhea, were given

intravenous doses of up to three liters of dextrose and sent home to recuperate, Baird said.

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EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 11) UPI - It may not be home, but a posh little complex dubbed ''Desert World'' with a swimming pool, volleyball court and snack bar is giving American and British GIs a little slice of heaven after weeks of living in sand.

''I'd always heard of mirages out in the desert so I figured this must be one '' said Marine Lance Cpl. Ted Henson, 20, of Houston, as he sunned beside the swimming pool during a day of rest and relaxation Sunday. ''It's really nice out here.''

''It's like putting a little piece of the States over here,'' added Marine Sgt. Lewis Perales, 24, of Detroit. ''We come in, we see people just lounging around and partying and stuff like that. It was almost like being back home ... just relaxing, chilling out, having fun.''

The complex, loaned to U.S. and British forces by the Saudi government, was opened to give troops a break from the tedium of working continuously since they arrived as part of the multinational force confronting Iraq.

The enclosed facility houses two swimming pools, one of which is still being refurbished, a snack bar, ping pong tables, volleyball courts, video movie rooms, a commissary, a gift shop and a bank of telephones for calling home.

''It provides a means for rejuvenating our Marines mentally and to get them into an atmosphere where they can unwind,'' said Marine Lt. Col. Gary Wilson, who is in charge of the complex, which was dubbed ''Desert World'' by the staff.

''It's very, very important, I'd say, for their psychological well- being,'' he added. ''It just provides another outlet in an environment that is fairly limited in opportunities to interact with society itself or have some form of entertainment.''

Wilson said between 500 and 700 British and American soldiers, both men and women, visited the complex each day and the number was expected to rise to 1,200 by the time both swimming pools are operational.

''We're making a definite effort to get those individuals who are up on the front lines, so to speak, to get them back here and that's working well,'' he said.

Soldiers arriving at the complex shed their uniforms and their weapons at the

front door. The only military equipment that comes into the complex with each soldier is a gas mask, and even military rank disappears in the dressing room.

''If someone comes in and he's a general ... he's treated like everyone else '' said Marine Cpl. Todd Mahoney, 21, of Powers, Mich., a staff member at the complex.

For troopers who live and work in the desert and rarely stray beyond their camps, a break in the routine and a chance to step out the military heirarchy for a day is a welcome opportunity.

''It's really nice for morale,'' said 3rd Class Petty Officer Charles Munoz, a 25-year-old Sea Bee from Stockton, Calif. ''It keeps our morale high because being stuck in camp all the time like we were, just working seven days a week, really got monotonous really fast.''

''You just want to get away from the sand most of the time,'' said Marine Cpl. Paul Buda, 23, of Milford, Conn. ''You're in the middle of the sand everywhere you go. You eat in sand, you work in sand, you sleep in sand.''

''Right here you've got all this nice, good cement and stuff like that,'' he added, patting the concrete terrace around the swimming pool. ''It helps a lot.''

For the British and American troops who staff the complex, boosting the morale of the soldiers is their sole job.

''Probably one of the most gratifying things I've ever done is to work here and see the effect that it has,'' Wilson said. ''When you watch the young men and women come in the front gate sort of downtrodden and stressed out ... and by the end of the day, many of them from all services will come up to me and say how appreciative they are to be able to visit the facility and use it for a day.''

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#90315u0206 11/11/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 11) UPI - NATO commander Gen. John Galvin arrived Sunday in the first visit to the Soviet Union by the military head of the Western alliance.

Galvin, who was met at the airport by the chief of Soviet military staff Gen. Mikhail Moiseyev, immediately hailed the changes in the Moscow-led Warsaw Pact.

''The main difference now in the relations of the leaders of the two military blocs is the openness, the sincere desire to seek compromises on all questions '' Galvin said.

The Soviet Union has conceded the Warsaw Pact is an anachronism as a military

alliance and believes that both NATO and the Warsaw Pact should be turned into political institutions.

Galvin will meet both President Mikhail Gorbachev and Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, who brought about the end of the Cold War in Europe.

He will also visit the Ukrainian cities of Kiev, Yalta and Sevastopol and a naval base on the Black Sea. He will also visit Leningrad.

Galvin's agenda also includes a stop at the military academy of the Soviet General Staff, which trains high ranking Soviet officers. He was invited to the Soviet Union by Defense Minister Dmitri Yazov.

Galvin's visit was preceded by another unprecedented trip by NATO chief Manfred Woerner in July, who told Gorbachev Moscow is now viewed as a partner in a new European order.

Woerner was the first NATO secretary-general to make an official visit to the Moscow.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (NOV. 11) UPI - Vietnamese Communist Party leader Nguyen Van Linh said Vietnam's long-broken relations with the United States and China are beginning to mend after a series of high-level visits.

Linh, in an interview with the Japanese television company NHK released Sunday said the meeting in Washington last month between Secretary of State James Baker and Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach has speeded movement towards full relations.

''Late as it was, the meeting ushered in a new period, letting bygones be bygones,'' Linh said.

He said improved relations depended in part on joint efforts to find a political solution to the conflict in Cambodia.

Linh, noting the Vietnam War ended more than 15 years ago, said the pace of normalization was too slow.

''There are obstacles that must be removed by the United States itself,'' he said, including the Cambodian problem and the search for Americans still missing from the war.

He said the Cambodian problem was still difficult, but the question of missing servicemen ''has been largely resolved thanks to our goodwill towards the American people.''

He said the American people and American businessmen were eager for better relations with Vietnam, but the U.S. administration was still reluctant.

''I am sure this reluctance will finally be overcome,'' he said.

Linh said relations were also improving with China.

''Even brothers will quarrel from time to time, (but) now contacts have been made for the two countries to settle their differences,'' he said.

Linh said a private visit he made to Beijing in September helped improve relations. He said shooting along the Sino-Vietnamese border had stopped and cross-border trade was thriving.

''In the future, economic, scientific and technical experts will exchange visits, too,'' he said, predicting full restoration of relations would come soon.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 11) UPI - A veteran customs inspector shot and killed one suspected mugger, and police nabbed a second who wrestled the agent's gun away and fired - but missed him - in front of his Brooklyn home early Sunday.

U.S. Customs Inspector Richard Ryan, 59, of Greenpoint, was ''pretty well beat up'' when accosed by two thieves just before 1 a.m. in front of his home, he said.

''My face is all swollen, and my hands and fists are cut up'' from the fight with two suspects, he said. ''I got some stitches at the hospital.''

Ryan, a U.S. Customs employee for 28 years, the last 15 at John F. Kennedy Airport, was accosted and beaten by two men in front of his home, prompting Ryan to draw his .357 weapon and shoot one of the assailants, identified as Noel Rivera, 30, of Brooklyn, said a spokesman for police, Officer Scott Bloch.

Rivera was pronounced dead on arrival at Bellevue Hospital.

Meanwhile, a second suspect, identified as Gilbert Exquilin, 26, had wrestled with Ryan and managed to steal away Ryan's weapon, turning it on the agent and firing twice - but missing his both times, Bloch said.

Nevertheless, Exquilin was nabbed shortly after by police who found him carrying the agent's gun and wallet. It was not known how much money Ryan was carrying.

Exact charges against Exquilin were not immediately released.

Ryan declined to talk about some of the details of the harrowing experience, saying he was heading to the 94th Precinct to talk to detectives working on the case, but adding: ''I'm feeling pretty good now.''

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(NOV. 11) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

Secretary of State Baker is NOT saying whether France agreed to join any U-S-led military campaign against Iraq. Baker headed back to Washington Saturday after talks with French President Mitterrand. Baker's stop in Paris ended a seven-day, eight-nation tour of the Middle East and Europe.

Sources say the leaders of Liberia's interim government are expected to arrive in the capital of Monrovia Sunday to attempt to take control of the nation. The leaders from nearby African states will have to solve the problems of starvation and a complete breakdown of administration in the capital.

Ireland's highest court will decide this week whether an Irish prisoner should be turned over to British authorities to face terrorism charges. Demond Ellis is staging a hunger strike to prevent his extradition. Ellis says he will starve himself to death before such an order can be carried out.

The University of Virginia has called a meeting Sunday to decide whether the school's football team should play in the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Arizona, on New Year's Day. The decision has turned into a controversial one because of Arizona's rejection of establishing a Martin Luther King Junior holiday.

The slain civil rights leader is also the topic of another controversy because of reports he plagiarized during his academic career. But civil rights leaders and historians are defending King's place in history. The president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference says- ''Dr. King never claimed he was God.''

A state-appointed committee in Johannesburg, South Africa, has dismissed claims by two former policemen on alleged death squad activity. The panel described as ''false'' and ''self-serving'' claims by the officers that they assassinated anti-apartheid activists. A judge is expected to issue a separate report on the allegations soon.

A former owner of race cars in the Indianapolis 500 says he will co- operate with a federal investigation of a multi-state auto and truck theft ring. Grant King made the pledge while pleading guilty in an Indianapolis court to federal charges related to auto theft and the sale of stolen vehicles.

A court in Du Page County, Illinois, will decide if a boy who paid 12 dollars for a 12-hundred dollar baseball card can keep it. A shop owner says a clerk who had NO knowledge of baseball sold the card to Brian Wrzesinski. The youth said- ''People go into card shops and try to bargain all the time.''

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ATLANTA (NOV. 11) UPI - November may bring thoughts of Thanksgiving and Christmas shopping, but it also is the time Americans should protect themselves against one of the top 10 disease killers, influenza.

That's the advice from the federal Centers for Disease Control, the agency that monitors flu outbreaks across the country and issues recommendations on how to ward off the influenza virus.

Widespread outbreaks of flu usually don't start until December, according to the CDC's immunization practices Advisory Committee. Therefore, November is the best time to get flu shots, which usually take about two weeks to protect against the flu virus.

The CDC said, however, that vaccination programs ''may be undertaken as soon as current vaccine is available if regional influenza activity is expected to begin earlier than December.''

Last year, the United States experienced its worst flu epidemic in five years with outbreaks beginning in early December. Federal health officials estimated the death toll at 52,000, about 10,000 more than in non-epidemic years.

In some weeks, more than 1,000 people died of influenza and its principle complication, pneumonia.

This flu season, the CDC expects three viruses to circulate in the continental United States - A-Taiwan, A-Shanghai and B-Yamagata, named for the places where the viruses were first identified.

The A-Taiwan virus is a relative of the Russian flu that first hit this country in the 1970s, causing widespread illness.

A-Shanghai represents an antigenic ''drift'' from the flu virus that caused influenza pandemics in 1957, 1958 and again in 1968 and 1969.

Although all flu viruses are capable of causing much sickness and even death, the A-Shanghai virus is generally considered to be the most deadly of the three.

In its recommendations for the upcoming flu season, the CDC's Immunization

Practices Advisory Committee said a vaccine made of killed virus will be available in doctor's offices, health clinics and other health care settings to protect against all three strains.

Flu vaccinations are especially recommended for those over 65, residents of nursing homes and other facilities housing people of any age with chronic medical conditions, and adults and children with chronic disorders of the pulmonary or cardiovascular systems, including children with asthma.

Vaccines also are recommended for anyone who has required medical followup or hospitalization during the preceding year because of chronic medical conditions, and children or teenagers receiving longterm aspirin therapy.

Immunizations also were recommended by the CDC for household contacts and health care providers who come in contact with the elderly and those chronically ill.

The CDC urged that vaccine not be administered too far in advance of the influenza season ''because antibody levels (the protective agents in the vaccine) begin declining within a few months.''

The drug amantadine, the CDC said, is recommended to prevent or lessen the effects of flu under certain conditions but ''is not a substitute for vaccination.''

Influenza illness is characterized by abrupt onset of fever, aching, sore throat and dry cough.

At least 10,000 excess deaths have been documented in each of 19 different U.S. flu epidemics in the period 1957-1986, the CDC said. Over 40,000 flu-caused deaths occurred in each of three of these epidemics.

Pointing up the vulnerability of the elderly to influenza, the CDC said that approximately 80-90 percent of the deaths attributed to pneumonia and influenza were among people over 65 years of age.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 11) UPI - Stormie Jones, the plucky young Texan who underwent the world's first heart and liver transplant, died Sunday after suffering what doctors said might have been a rejection of her second transplanted liver.

Stormie, 13, of White Settlement, Texas, died at 9:52 a.m. at Pittsburgh Children's Hospital, six years after the landmark operation, hospital spokeswoman Toby Trosky said.

''Physicians are uncertain on the cause of death. She will be undergoing an autopsy,'' Trosky said.

Stormie was admitted Saturday morning to All Saints Episcopal Hospital in Fort Worth, Texas, after experiencing nausea, vomiting and dehydration. Doctors recommended that Stormie and her mother, Lois ''Susie'' Purcell, return to Pittsburgh Children's Hospital for evaluation.

The child, who captured the hearts of people nationwide because of her persistent spunk in dealing with her health problems, was flown by commercial airline to Pittsburgh Saturday night.

She was admitted to Children's Hospital in serious condition suffering flu-like symptoms including a sore throat and low-grade fever, Trosky said.

''This was quite a shock for everyone,'' Trosky said of the child's death.

A family friend in Texas said Stormie had not been feeling well for several days.

The girl had suffered repeated health problems and been forced to return to the Pennsylvania hospital several times. Doctors there had managed to stabilize her condition each time through a change in medication.

She received the original heart-liver transplant at the Pittsburgh Children's Hospital in 1984. But hepatitis damaged that liver and a second organ was transplanted last February.

Another bout with hepatitis damaged the new liver in July.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (UPI) - Engineers readied the shuttle Atlantis Sunday for the start of its countdown to blastoff Thursday night on a secret mission to put a satellite in orbit that may be used to spy on the Persian Gulf.

Shuttle countdowns typically begin three days before takeoff, but NASA managers decided to start Atlantis's one day early, sources said, because of Air Force plans to launch a Titan 4 rocket Monday night from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station that will interrupt work at the shuttle pad.

While the status of Titan launch preparations Sunday could not be immediately determined, Atlantis's countdown remained on schedule to begin at 10:30 p.m. EST. If all goes well, the shuttle's five-man, all- military crew will fly to the Kennedy Space Center Tuesday for final preparations.

''We don't have any issues or problems we're tracking that would get in the

way of a launch Thursday night,'' NASA spokeswoman Lisa Malone said Sunday. ''We're all looking forward to seeing Atlantis launch.''

As usual with such military missions, details about the flight are secret, including the exact launch time. NASA will only say the shuttle is scheduled for takeoff sometime between 6:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Thursday.

But sources who requested anonymity said takeoff is planned for 6:46 p.m. and that the shuttle can be launched as late as 8:12 p.m. if problems prevent an on-time liftoff.

At the controls for launch will be commander Richard Covey, 44, an Air Force colonel, and co-pilot Frank Culbertson, 41, a Navy commander. Their crewmates are Marine Col. Robert Springer, 48, Air Force Lt. Col. Carl Meade, 39, and Army Maj. Charles Gemar, 35.

The mission duration also is classified, but usually reliable sources said the 37th shuttle flight is scheduled to last three days, 23 hours and 55 minutes, resulting in a landing Nov. 19, at 3:41 p.m. PST, at Edwards Air Force Base in California's Mojave Desert.

Atlantis originally was scheduled for launch in mid July, but the flight was put on hold when a hydrogen leak was detected during a fueling test June 29.

At least two such leaks were blamed for grounding the shuttle Columbia in May and September, but both spaceships have since been repaired and NASA hopes to launch Columbia's seven-man crew on a long- delayed astronomy mission in early December.

Atlantis's flight represents the last fully classified Department of Defense shuttle mission currently on the books, the result of a post- Challenger decision to build a fleet of powerful Titan 4 rockets to give the Air Force independent access to space for high-priority payloads.

While two more military shuttle missions are planned for 1991, the payloads of both have been declassified, allowing the Air Force to do away with an expensive security program that cost $80 million a year to implement.

Titan 4 operations, however, will continue to be fully classified, as are details about Atlantis's mission.

The Titan believed to be set for launch Monday will be making the program's third flight, the first since a successful mission in June. Blastoff originally was set for Sept. 9, but the flight was delayed at the T-minus five-minute mark by a technical glitch.

While the identity of the payload is classified, it may be a $160 million Defense Support Program early warning satellite capable of detecting enemy

missile launches with a sophisticated infrared telescope.

Aviation Week & Space Technology magazine reported last month that Atlantis would be launched into an orbit carrying it 28.5 degrees to either side of the equator and that the shuttle's cargo is a photo- reconnaissance satellite that may be used to monitor conditions in the Persian Gulf region.

But several space experts have questioned that conclusion, saying the shuttle's reported orbit would not allow its satellite payload to fly over the heart of Iraq.

John Pike, a space policy analyst with the Federation of American Scientists, has speculated that Atlantis may be carrying an electronic eavesdropping satellite capable of intercepting military and civilian communications.

But such satellites typically operate in 22,300-mile-high orbits, requiring the use of an ''inertial upper stage'' booster to carry them from the low-Earth orbit of the shuttle to the desired altitude.

A reliable source said Atlantis's payload was not equipped with an ''IUS'' booster, lending credence to the Aviation Week conclusion.

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(NOV. 11) UPI - TODAY'S PEOPLE:

MAKING OF A MARTIAL ARTS MYTH: Martial arts movie star Steven Seagal seems to have trouble separating myth from reality. He recently appeared on Arsenio Hall's talk show and said he spent a lot of his youth in Brooklyn but his mother, Pat, told People magazine that he was born in Lansing, Mich., and lived outside Detroit before moving to Fullerton, Calif., when he was 5. Seagal also has portrayed himself as an urban street kid but his mother says he suffered from asthma and was ''a puny kid back then,'' even though he started thriving once they moved from Michigan. The People story also casts doubt on Seagal's claim to have studied in Japan with Morihei Uyeshiba, the founder of the aikido form of martial arts who died in 1969. But Terry Dobson, a fifth-degree black belt who studied with Uyeshiba from 1961 until 1969, says ''That story is bull. (Back then) I never heard of Steven Seagal.'' Sources familiar with the CIA also say Seagal's claim to have been a CIA adviser is improbable.

SAGET ON VIDEOS: Bob Saget, host of ''America's Funniest Home Videos, '' says he prefers the spontaneous videos over the set-ups. ''To be honest, I'm suspicious of all of them,'' says Saget, whose favorites are the tapes featuring children and animals. ''I'm a comedy professional and some videos

look too well-planned to make me laugh. But some people on the show think they're funny so we use them.'' The video show and his role on the sitcom ''Full House'' often result in long workdays for Saget. ''I work six days a week all the time,'' he said. ''The writers for home video come here to my office (above the ''Full House'' sound stage) to work with me during days when I'm light in 'Full House.' ''I'll be here as late as 1 a.m. on Monday nights doing the voice-overs. ''

RELAXING ROBIN: Robin Williams has a burning need to perform but his wife, Marcia, says he can let go at home. ''When he's a home he relaxes, '' she told The New York Times. ''He shuts down that performing part of himself, though of course it comes back in flashes. And he's finally able to extend the relaxation to friends and others he meets so he can carry on more ordinary sit-down conversations. There are times now when he can relax enough to know he's loved even when he's not being funny.''

SAINT EVA MARIE: Chalk up another honor for Academy and Emmy Award- winning actress Eva Marie Saint. The American Association of State Colleges and Universities will presented its Distinguished Alumnus Award to the Bowling Green (Ohio) State University alumna for lifetime achievement at a dinner in Boca Raton, Fla., Nov. 20. Saint is being cited for her contributions to the cultural life of the nation and for her work behind the scenes in support of the arts. She will be join former President Lyndon Johnson, author James Michener, former first lady Rosalynn Carter and former congresswomen Barbara Jordan and Shirley Chisholm as a recipient of one of the most prestigious honors in higher education.

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(All times EST)

Basketball

Orlando at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Utah at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
LA Clippers at Portland, 10 p.m.
New York at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Football

Atlanta at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at New England, 1 p.m.
Miami at NY Jets, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Phoenix at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
NY Giants at LA Rams, 4 p.m.
Denver at San Diego, 4 p.m.
Green Bay at LA Raiders, 4 p.m.
San Francisco at Dallas, 8 p.m.

Hockey

Boston at Washington, 7:05 p.m.
Quebec at Montreal, 7:05 p.m.
Vancouver at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
Calgary at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.
Winnipeg at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.

Tennis

Indianapolis - $150,000 Kraft General Foods
London - $300,000 Diet Pepsi men's tournament
Moscow - $330,000 Kremlin Cup
Worcester, Mass. - $350,000 Virginia Slims of New England

Track

Columbus, Ohio - U.S. Men's Marathon

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NEW YORK (NOV. 11) UPI - Striking Daily News employees and other trade unionists Sunday were gearing up for a door-to-door campaign in Queens and Brooklyn to plead with home subscribers to drop the newspaper, a union official said.

''Strikers from the News and members of local hospital unions will be going from house to house, asking people to drop their subscriptions,'' said George McDonald, head of union's umbrella organization, the Allied Printing Trades Council.

The door-to-door strategy was the brainchild of Dennis Hughes, a staff member of the state AFL-CIO, and was expected to use members from a number of AFL-CIO affiliates, McDonald said.

The campaign was scheduled to get underway in Queens by Tuesday and to branch into Brooklyn later in the week, McDonald said.

Strikers and sympathizers Sunday were also getting ready for a free distribution of one million free copies of ''The Real News,'' an eight- page alternative tabloid carrying angry denunciations of News management written by striking city room reporters.

''We're going to have everybody in the labor movement distributing it at locations all over the city on Monday,'' McDonald said.

The publication was printed by striking printers and includes stories by Mike McAlary and Jack Newfield, two columnists who joined the strike when it began on Oct. 25 and were later hired away by other newspapers. McAlary has gone to the New York Post and Newfield to the New York Observer.

McDonald also said he sent telegrams to Mayor David Dinkins and Police Commissioner Lee Brown Sunday morning, asking them to plead with News publisher James Hoge to stop employing guards from Special Response Corp. of Towson, Md.

The guards - versed in martial arts and dressed in black jump suits, ski masks and combat boots - were hired to protect non-union drivers delivering the papers. Special Response Corp. brochures advertise a ''Private Army... When You Need It Most... Special Response Team.''

McDonald said he had complained to the mayor and the commissioner that the guards were trained in martial arts techniques outlawed by New York state Law.

McDonald also said he had received a tip that Daily News management was planning to employ grammar school age children to distribute the paper next week.

News officials could not immediately be reached for comment on the union's claims.

This week controversy has surrounded the alleged use of homeless people to hawk Daily News editions written by management and strike breakers.

''When this thing is over, they (managment) will throw the homeless and the children aside, like they've thrown their own workers aside,'' McDonald said Sunday.

On Saturday Daily News spokeswoman Lisa Ronbinson denied the paper had recruited the homeless to sell the management-supported editions.

On Sunday a replacement reporter in the newspaper's city room said, ''Morale is about as high as you could expect among the staff that is here.''

Some Newspaper Guild employees, including photographers and sportswriters, have crossed picket lines. However, most city room reporters have sided with striking members of the other 10 unions employed at the News.

The strike began Oct 25 after News officials fired 200 drivers who left their job at the News' Brooklyn plant during a dispute over whether a union member claiming a medical disability could sit down while working.

Management has maintained the 200 workers initiated the strike and were not fired.

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(NOV. 11) UPI - Cable News Network says it will appeal to the Supreme Court for the right to broadcast tapes of General Manuel Noriega's telephone calls from jail. An appeals court has refused to overturn an order preventing broadcast.

Senators elect party leaders Tuesday, but only one race has any opposition. That is the contest for assistant Senate Democratic leader. The incumbent, Senator Alan Cranston, has stepped down.

Florida medical authorities have banned sales of G-H-B, a nutritional supplement used by body builders. Authorities say it causes slow heart beat, shortness of breath and dizziness.

The U-S Embassy in Peru says Americans could be victims of terrorism in some parts of downtown Lima. It warned them to avoid foreign embassies, government buildings and some entertainment places.

Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu met today with foreign leaders who are in Tokyo for the enthronement of Emperor Akihito. Security is tight. The ceremony is tomorrow in the Imperial Palace.

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KIEV, UKRAINE, U.S.S.R. (NOV. 11) UPI - The Ukraine is a big producer of wheat, potatoes, milk, meat and sugar beets in the Soviet Union but when it comes to buying a loaf of bread there, the old East European saying applies:

''There'd be a shortage of sand in the Sahara if it was in a communist country.''

With its 52 million people, the Ukraine is rich in natural resources such as gas and coal and its famous fertile black soil. It produces 20 percent of the

wheat, 15 percent of potatoes, 25 percent of milk and meat and 60 percent of sugar beets on a territory comprising 2.7 percent of the Soviet Union.

Yet bread is often unavailable, milk has to be grabbed quickly in the morning, butter is on sale only sporadically and basic vegetables such as onions or potatoes are of poor quality.

Fruit is a rarity although there are big orchards around Kiev.

Ukrainian communist authorities blame shop managers and swindlers for chronic food shortages in the republic but are reluctant to believe that a market economy might solve the problem.

After foodstuffs, cigarettes and matches are the most sought-after goods, and long lines of cars wait patiently in front of gas stations.

''I don't want these three apples for my child. Can you give me some better ones?'' a housewife asked a street vendor. Most apples found in Kiev were small and covered with black blemishes.

Nadieja Kucenko, an architect and mother of one son, said she cannot prepare meals for the family because trying to buy ingredients is too time-consuming.

''It would take me at least four hours (every day) if I wanted to do shopping '' she said.

''Sugar has been rationed for about 1 1/2 years and in some other cities so are soap and washing powders,'' she said during an interview over coffee.

Her family manages because her husband has meals in the factory canteen, her son gets lunch in school and, ''I have sandwiches from time to time,'' she said.

Kucenko said her family has grown accustomed to the situation but visitors are another problem.

''Recently I had a visitor who was a vegetarian, so I had almost nothing to offer him,'' she said.

The communist authorities recently launched an inspection in shops and stores and the results, which were published in the Communist Party paper Kievskey Vyeskin, blamed profit-greedy managers for the shortcomings.

Kievskey Vyesnik reported that the Interior Ministry and prosecuting authorities found some 200 cases of goods being hidden in shops during a three-day inspection.

The report also said that in the southwestern Ukraine region of

Dnyepropyetrovsk alone, the inspections uncovered 16 tons of butter, 15 tons of meat and 1,700 pounds of sugar.

''In one shop some 3,700 cigarettes were found,'' said the newspaper.

The figures reported in the newspaper were high, but the amount of goods discovered by the inspectors would not begin to solve the problem of not enough goods.

Deputies in the Ukrainian Supreme Soviet, or parliament, opened a discussion recently on the economic crisis. One of the remedies suggested was a swift transition to a market economy.

No explanation was given how the plan would be implemented in the republic, where not a single private enterprise or small workshop exists.

The communist deputies, who have majority in the Supreme Soviet, demanded a freeze on capital investment to free up money for producing consumer goods. But such conversion measures take years and never worked in other East Bloc countries before their communist systems collapsed.

One deputy proposed a fine of 5,000 rubles on tourists who take foodstuffs or other products to other republics, but another, from the independent Rukh movement, laughed it off.

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (NOV. 11) UPI - President Frederik de Klerk has announced the first major Cabinet shuffle of his 13-month-old administration, citing heavy workloads on ministers directly involved in his racial reform program.

The reorganization included the appointment of the last South African Administrator-General of Namibia, Louis Pienaar, as minister of a newly created portfolio, the streamlining of other ministries and the shifting of control over development aid, environmental issues and information.

In the weekend announcement, de Klerk said he intended to reduce the burden on ministers directly involved in his plan to begin formal negotiations with black leaders on a post-apartheid constitution.

Among the major benificiaries were four members of his inner circle who are key players in the negotiation process, the restructuring of the sanctions-strapped economy and security.

Minister of Constitutional Development Gerrit Viljoen, Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok and Finance Minister Barend Du Plessis each gained a deputy

minister, and Minister Stoffel van der Merwe, who is responsible for black education, had his portfolio trimmed.

''The negotiation process is making high demands of ministers in general and for some it has meant a considerable increase in their work- load,'' de Klerk said.

Pienaar, 64, left Namibia the day after the South African- administered territory gained independence on March 21 in a U.N.- suspervised program. On his return to South Africa, he was named the government's chief censor as chairman of the Publications Appeal Board.

De Klerk appointed Pienaar as Minister of National Education and Environmental Affairs, taking portions of portfolios from two other ministers. The national education portfolio had been under Home Affairs Minister Gene Louw, who was already burdened with overseeing the mammoth state-run South African Broadcasting Corp.

Environmental affairs had been previously under Minister Gert Kotze, along with water affairs. Kotze has been sharply criticized on a number of key environmental issues.

De Klerk said some aspects of forestry would be added to Kotze's portfolio, making him Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry.

In another significant move, de Klerk assigned the Deputy Minister of Constiutional Development, Rolf Meyer, to become the deputy minister of Information Services covering the Bureau for Information and the National Intelligence Service.

De Klerk, on assuming the presidency had abolished the information ministry and placed it under his own office. De Klerk said the move was intended to ''reduce the state president's administrative burden.''

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SKANEATELES, NY (NOV. 11) UPI - The organizer of the eighth annual Short Fat Guy Road Race said Sunday an unexpected development forced him to shorten the course: his racers are aging.

''We've shortened the course from 3.1 miles down to 2-point something,'' said Dick Perry at ''race headquarters'' - Morris' Grill in the Finger Lakes village of Skaneateles.

The change also eliminated the course's hills, but all seven shortcuts were intact, Perry said.

What alerted Perry to the ''age factor'' that shortened the race?

''I looked at 'em. They looked like the dickens,'' Perry said.

Another change is the race's starting line. This year it will begin on a pier jutting over Skaneateles Lake - the first time the short fat guys have ever run over water, Perry said.

He worried about the structure's ability to support the racers.

''It's been tested by engineers, but it's never been tested by short fat guys '' Perry said.

Shortly before the 1 p.m. starting time, the racers were getting their T-shirts, doing warm-ups that consist mostly of ''rubbing,'' and signing disclaimers saying ''if they have a heart attack it ain't our fault,'' Perry said.

The field of 49 runners includes about a dozen women and a man who ran last week's New York City Marathon, Perry said. But Perry had doubts as to whether that runner meets the qualification for the race, which mandates a runner's waist size must be 4 1/2 inches longer than his inseam.

''He says he's bulked up enough. I'm just about to put the ruler on him. We may make him run on one leg,'' Perry said.

Another new feature for this year's race is an addition to the fare supplied at the race's mid-point rest stop, which offers the runners beer, Twinkies and cigars.

''This year we've got Italian bread and butter. We think it'll go over real well,'' he said.

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(NOV. 11) UPI - A federal appeals court has refused to overturn an order that prohibits Cable News Network from airing tapes of General Manuel Noriega's telephone conversations. The network says it has a constitutional right to broadcast them and will appeal to the Supreme Court. The former Panamanian strongman is in a Miami jail awaiting trial on drug charges. The tapes are of calls Noriega made from jail to his lawyers.

Democrat Senator George Mitchell and Republican Senator Robert Dole will be their party leaders in the next session of the Senate. Both are running unopposed. Assistant Senate Republican leader Alan Simpson is also unopposed. The only contest will be for assistant Senate Democratic leader. Senator Alan Cranston has stepped down because of cancer. Senators vote on their leaders

Tuesday.

Florida authorities have banned sales of the nutritional supplement G-H-B. Doctors said seven people needed emergency treatment in Florida because they used it. G-H-B- gamma hydroxy butyrate- is a white powder used by body builders to enlarge their muscles. They consider it safer than anabolic steroids. The Florida authorities say it causes slow heart beat, shortness of breath and dizziness.

The 204 passengers who were on a Thai Airways Airbus that was hijacked yesterday have flown to Rangoon, Burma, their original destination. Their Thai plane was hijacked while flying from Bangkok to Rangoon and forced to land in Calcutta, India. The hijackers were two Burmese students who said they were protesting Burmese military repression. The passengers and 12 crew members were released and the passengers flew to Rangoon today on another plane.

Six people were killed yesterday in a clash between former rebels and the police in southeastern Nicaragua. 35 people were wounded. Officials say the rebels- former Contra fighters- and civilians attacked a police station and the police fired at them. Former Contras have been protesting against the Nicaraguan government's failure to give them land they were promised.

Political leaders of Czechoslovakia met yesterday to discuss giving some of the federal government's powers to the two republics that make up the nation- Czech and Slovak. An agreement was reached last week to give the republics administrative and tax powers. But a government crisis may result because some federal ministers fear the central government will lose too much power.

The U-S Embassy in Peru has warned Americans to avoid some areas in downtown Lima. The Embassy says they should stay away from government buildings, foreign embassies and some popular restaurants and night clubs because of the threat of terrorism. The embassy says the danger may be greater this weekend because of the American Veterans' Day holiday.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 11) UPI - Vandals in Brooklyn's Greenpoint section knocked the head off a statue of a popular Polish priest opposed to communism, then scrawled pro-communist slogans on the sculpture, police said Sunday.

At 7:30 a.m. Sunday passersby noticed the head was missing from a statue of Father Jerzy Popieluszko, located in a square in the heavily Polish neighborhood, said Officer Scott Bloch, a police spokesman.

On the base of the statue the vandals had spray-painted the Polish words, ''Za Lenina, Za Stalina,'' Bloch said.

''Loosely translated by members of the Polish community that means, 'For Lenin For Stalin,''' the policeman said. ''Apparently some Polish communists are still active in the Greenpoint area.''

Bloch said the vandalism probably took place late Saturday.

Father Roman Gorowski, assistant pastor of St. Stanislaus Church in Greenpoint said Father Popieluszko served as a chaplain to the Solidarity labor movement and had been assassinated by members of Poland's communist government in Torun Poland in 1984.

Four members of the Polish secret police were given jail terms in February 1985 for the slaying of the priest, whose funeral was attended by more than 200,000 people.

''He was a friend of (Solidarity founder) Lech Walesa,'' Gorowski said. ''The most important thing to remember about him is that he was killed because he was against the system of communism. He told the communists that they lie, they steal, and there is no justice in Poland. And they killed him.''

Bloch said there were no suspects and police in the 94th Precinct were investigating the vandalism.

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(NOV. 11) UPI - Vice President Dan Quayle and U-N Secretary General Perez de Cuellar met in Tokyo today and discussed the Persian Gulf crisis. U-S officials said they agreed to work thorough the United Nations to get Iraqi forces out of Kuwait. University of Virginia officials decide today whether the football team will play at a bowl game in Arizona. Arizona voters Tuesday rejected a state holiday to honor Martin Luther King.

Fire raced through a huge apartment complex still under construction in Thousand Oaks, California, yesterday. 242 units were destroyed. Damage was estimated at seven-Million dolars.

Passengers on a plane that was hijacked yesterday to Calcutta, India, were flown on another plane today to their destination, Rangoon, Burma. They were freed safely and the hijackers surrendered.

Military officials say a U-S Marine in the Desert Shield force was shot and killed Friday while he slept in his tent in Saudi Arabia. He was shot by another Marine's M-16 rifle.

Masked men shot and killed two Arabs yesterday in the Israeli- occupied Gaza Strip. Graffiti appeared later on walls saying one victim had collaborated with Israeli authorities.

Separatist guerrillas blew up a hut and a truck at a construction site on the Mediterranean island of Corsica today. NObody was hurt.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 11) UPI - Top congressional Democrats signaled cautious backing for President Bush's military buildup in the Persian Gulf Sunday, accepting the possibility it could be the prelude to war against Iraq.

But the Democrats, who have been briefed by the president, said Bush is still keeping his options open, hoping that the sanctions and the increase in troop strength by 200,000 will convince Sadam Hussein to pull out of Kuwait.

''I take this to be the use of the threat of war to prevent war,'' Senate Demoratic leader George Mitchell said during an interview on ''This Week with David Brinkley'' (ABC).

Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, and Rep. Lee Hamilton, chairman of the House Intelligence Committee, also backed the military buildup.

Hamilton, appearing on ''Meet the Press (NBC), said for the U.S. threat to Hussein to be ''credible, you have to have the power to get him out'' and Aspin said, if war comes, the stronger the force, the ''quicker'' America can win with a reduced cost in lives.

Sen. Claiborne Pell D-R.I., also interviewed on ''Meet the Press,'' was the strongest dissenter, charging that Bush has moved ''too far, too fast'' and said that the president should not take further action without authorization from the United Nations, except if Americans are attacked.

Saying that the United State should not be the ''sole policeman'' in the Middle East, Pell proposed that Bush begin rotating the troops ''and sit it out'' while diplomatic efforts continue.

Despite persistent suggestions, none of the top Democrats supported the idea of calling back Congress to hold a debate on whether to go to war against Iraq. Mitchell and Aspin agreed that it would do no good to debate a ''hypothetical'' proposal.

Mitchell said that although Bush can respond to an emergency, such as an attack on American troops, he added that under the Constitution the president has ''no authority'' to begin a war against Iraq without a formal declaration by Congress.

Hamilton and Aspin agreed that the moment for making the ''awful choice'' of

going to war would come sometime between January and the end of March.

Aspin said that if no progress is made on negotiations, at some point Bush will give Hussein an ultimatitum and, if there is no response, there will be a war against Iraw.

The chairman of the House Armed Services Committee noted that war has always been ''the final option'' in the event Saddam did not relent, adding ''You ought to try a lot of things before you get there. But if it comes to that, if Saddam Hussein just will not move, my choice would be yes, that we should go to war.''

Hamilton said the United States is not yet at the ''critical point'' when a decision must be made ''to get in our get out.''

But he said the policy of forcing Hussein out of Kuwait, diplomatically or militarily, must be accomplished or ''the world community has lost and he (Hussein) has won.

''If we're not strong enough and willing enough to do it, we lose,'' Hamilton said, adding that the United States should not give up on the sanctions - ''the sanctions are beginning to hurt.''

Hamilton also said it would be a ''mistake to set an ultimatum'' and added that the decision to go to war should be based on a ''running judgement'' of the situation.

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DALLAS (NOV. 11) UPI - Protests may halt plans by state officials to use a front-end loader to exhume graves in a turn-of -the-century black cemetery, Freedmen's Memorial Park, a city planner and a black-history activist said.

The state ''is not looking at all the issues involved,'' planner Ron Emrich said at a weekend forum sponsored by Black Dallas Remembered, which has spearheaded Freedmen's preservation efforts. ''We are at a critical point in how Freedmen's cemetery is handled.''

The turn-of-the-century graves, uncovered during the North Central Expressway expansion project, would be scooped up and reburied at an undetermined site, he said.

''We have not found any credible argument for this procedure,'' costing less or being more effective, Emrich said. The procedure ''should be done by hand by sensitive human beings, carefully assuring remains are kept together appropriately.''

The newly discovered graves are in a cemetery originally thought to be used by black Dallas pioneers from the 1860s to 1925. But as excavation for the widening of North Central progressed, archaeologists discovered remains believed to those of slaves.

State Highway Department spokesman Jay Kemp acknowledged that use of a front-end loader was being considered but said the fate of the graves is not set.

''A decision has not been made,'' Kemp said of the state-funded project. ''It's up to the black community. They need to decide a technique where everyone will be happy.

Black community members prefer manual excavation of each grave after it is located, said Mamie McKnight, president of Black Dallas Remembered, Inc. Under this method, graves would be opened by archaeologists, their contents catalogued and the remains reburied in wooden boxes.

''We're taking a definite stand,'' said McKnight. ''Any other method than individual handling is insensitive. We're going to push for it.''

She indicated that the state had not given the black community power to choose a reburial method. ''We don't make the final decision,'' she said, ''but we'll sure make a lot of noise.''

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(NOV. 11) UPI - University of Virginia officials decide today whether the football team will play in the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Arizona, on New Year's Day. Controversy has arisen because of Tuesday's vote in Arizona turning down a state holiday in memory of Martin Luther King. Virginia Governor Douglas Wilder is black, but says he will NOT tell the university what to do.

Vice President Dan Quayle and U-N Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar met in Tokyo today and U-S officials say they agreed to continue working to get Iraqi forces out of Kuwait. A senior official said they discussed a possible U-N resolution authorizing force against Iraq. He did NOT say if Perez de Cuellar supports it. Quayle and the U-N chief are in Japan for tomorrow's coronation of Emperor Akihito.

U-S military officials in Saudi Arabia say a Marine in the Desert Shield force was shot and killed. The unidentified Marine was sleeping in his tent in eastern Saudi Arabia Friday. He was shot by a bullet from another Marine's M-16 rifle. Other Marines who were in the tent are being questioned. The Marine belonged to the 3rd Marine Regiment, which is normally based in Hawaii.

Lebanese militia fighters began their withdrawal from Beirut yesterday. Shiite

Amal gumen evacuated military positions in the southern suburbs of Beirut. But witnesses say their rivals, the Hezbollah fundamentalists, remained. A spokesman for a Christian militia in east Beirut said its soldiers were ready to pull out.

Two small bombs exploded today at the home of a U-S consul general in Japan, but did little damage. Two men on a motorcycle threw the bombs over a wall outside the house in Kobe. The explosion broke a window pane. The consul general in Kobe is Gregory Johnson. Police say they do NOT know if he was at home at the time.

Fire raced through a new apartment complex in Thousand Oaks, California, yesterday and destroyed 242 units that were to open next month. Damage was seven-Million dollars. A fire department spokeswoman says a plumber soldering pipes started the fire by accident. More than 240 firefighters fought the spectacular fire. Two were injured.

Lost dog posters are common in Manhattan. Frequently they offer a modest reward. Kathy Daley put up hundreds of fliers after her Maltese dog, Emma, wa lost last month. The reward she offered is two ringside seats to next month's Mike Tyson-Alex Stewart fight in Atlantic City. She says if she does NOT get her dog back, she will see a fight for the first time in her life.

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SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (NOV. 11) UPI - A year after a massive guerrilla offensive brought El Salvador's civil war to the capital, rebels said Sunday they are ready and able to launch another large-scale attack.

''After a year, we have more strength and better conditions to advance in victory,'' the rebels said in a Sunday broadcast on their clandestine station, Radio Venceremos.

''Our guerrilla units are ready and are poised to act at any moment in any part of the national territory,'' said the latest broadcast of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front or FMLN.

This weekend, some 40 fresh recruits slithered through the bush at a secret training center in Chalatenango province, taking instruction in guerrilla warfare from veterans of the decade-old conflict between the FMLN and successive U.S.-backed governments.

In San Jose Las Flores, 34 miles north of San Salvador in the FMLN stronghold of Chalatenango, a rebel commander known as Haroldo spoke of military and political gains resulting from the fiercest fighting of the war.

''We have grown stronger since November 11, 1989,'' said Haroldo. ''We have

consolidated our zones of control despite a constant presence of the armed forces.''

As the 35-year-old rebel spoke, government helicopters could be heard shooting rockets at elusive rebel forces who harrassed a large army patrol operating some 3 miles north of the town.

On the political front, Haroldo said last year's offensive led to serious talks aimed at ending the civil war and related political violence that has claimed the lives of more than 72,000 Salvadorans, most of them civilians.

The offensive ''convinced everyone that negotiation was essential,'' Haroldo said. ''The existence of dual powers in El Salvador is real.''

Contacts between the FMLN and the conservative administration of President Alfredo Cristiani were formalized after the offensive and the United Nations has mediated peace talks with a specific agenda.

The dialogue, begun in May, has bogged down with disagreement over the amount of military reform required to permit the guerrillas to lay down their weapons and continue their struggle for socialism as a political party.

The rebels are calling for a deep purge of the politically powerful armed forces to be followed by eventual replacement of the military with a civilian police force.

Pointing to its constitutional mandate, the tight-knit armed forces refuse to consider being replaced by a police force and military leaders insist they can do their own housecleaning to remove human rights abusers.

The FMLN's threat to use large-scale military action in an attempt to revitalize the talks was present in the thoughts of many Salvadorans on Sunday one year to the day after San Salvador and other major cities became battlegrounds for the first time.

A rebel offensive would mean the immediate disbursement of part of U.S. military withheld by Congress to pressure Cristiani's government into seeking serious progress at the talks.

In his weekly homily, Archbishop Arturo Rivera y Damas noted that the offensive brought to the capital a reality that people living in the Salvadoran countryside have suffered throughout the war.

But noting the civilian casualties caused by combat in San Salvador's most populous neighborhoods, Rivera y Damas said it should not happen again.

Hundreds of civilians are thought to have been among some 2,000 people killed in the offensive.

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(NOV. 11) UPI - The Chinese foreign minister said before a meeting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that it is too early to determine if Beijing will support a U-N Security Council resolution to use force in the Persian Gulf crisis. Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen flew from Amman, Jordan, to Baghdad today to meet with Iraqi officials. He told reporters that China supports efforts to find a peaceful solution to the crisis.

The 13-year-old recipient of the world's first heart and liver transplant is back in Pittsburgh Children's Hospital, where she received the new organs in 1984. Stormie Jones of White Settlement, Texas, was admitted to a Fort Worth hospital yesterday, and a family friend said the child had NOT been feeling well for several days. Doctors decided she should return to the Pittsburgh hospital to determine whether her body is rejecting the transplanted liver.

New York City police say they are investigating a tip that the accused assassin of right-wing Rabbi Meir Kahane may have practiced target shooting with a retired Connecticut police officer. A police spokesman says a report linked the gunman and an unidentified retired officer. But he added that the retired policeman is NOT a suspect in the shooting. He says authorities only want to question the man, whose exact location is NOT known.

Heavy turnout is reported today in the first round of unprecedented multi-party elections for the Macedonian Assembly. The balloting today in the Yugoslav republic could determine the fate of federal Prime Minister Ante Markovic and his pro-reform alliance.

Pope John Paul visited with convicted drug dealers, underworld killers and common criminals today during a visit to Europe's most crowded prison. The pontiff made the prison visit at the mid-point of a five-day pastoral visit to Naples, where he delivered his traditional noon prayer before an enthusiastic crowd of 150-thousand people. The pope hugged convicts and said they should NOT give up hope of returning to a crime-free life.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu and Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama are meeting with foreign dignitaries arriving in Japan for the enthronement of Emperor Akihito. Indonesian President Suharto and either other guests arrived in Tokyo today. Britain's Prince Charles and Princess Diana arrived yesterday, as Japanese police deployed 27-thousand uniformed and plainclothes police in the city to guard against threatened terror action by leftist radicals.

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(NOV. 11) UPI - U-S officials say Vice President Quayle agreed with U-N

Secretary- General Javier Perez de Cuellar to keep working through the United Nations to get Iraq out of Kuwait. Quayle met with Perez de Cuellar for about two hours aboard Air Force Two in Tokyo, where the vice president will attend tomorrow's enthronement of Emperor Akihito.

Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen says it is too early to tell if China will support a U-N Security Council resolution to authorize military action to drive Iraq from Kuwait. Qian flew today from Amman, Jordan, to Baghdad for talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

NATO commander General John Galvin arrived in Moscow today on the first visit to the Soviet Union by the military head of the Western alliance. Galvin was invited to the Soviet Union by the Russian defense minister. On his arrival, Galvin immediately hailed changes in the Moscow-led Warsaw Pact and praised the openness and what he termed ''the sincere desire to seek compromise on all questions.''

Vietnamese Communist Party chief Nguyen Van Linh says his nation's long-broken relations with the United States and China are beginning to mend after a series of high-level meetings. In an interview with a Japanese T-V company released today, Linh said the mending with the United States was speeded last month at a Washington meeting between Secretary of State Baker and the Vietnamese foreign minister. He said the conflict in Cambodia and the search for Americans still missing from the Vietnam War are still obstacles to better relations.

Truck and taxi drivers today joined a six-day-old transport strike that is causing chaos through much of the most populous province in Pakistan. Bus drivers in northeastern Punjab Province began the strike on Tuesday. The drivers are protesting an Islamic law under which they must pay the equivalent of 77-hundred dollars in compensation to the families of anyone they kill in a road accident or face imprisonment or execution.

The Boulder, Colorado, Health Department is investigating possible food poisoning at the University of Colorado this weekend. More than 100 University of Colorado students became ill over the weekend after eating a variety of meals from several campus kitchens. A campus spokeswoman says the students complained of nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Trans World Airlines Sunday proposed a merger with Pan Am Corp., provided Pan Am does not come to an agreement with United Airlines first, airlines officials said.

The merger proposal, contained in a letter from TWA to Pan Am, recognized that Pan Am has a binding agreement in principle with United for the sale of

various Pan Am international routes and other assets.

Pan Am said the agreement with United Airlines may be terminated if it is not completed on or before Nov. 14.

The TWA merger proposal is conditioned on the termination of the United agreement.

Pan Am spokeswoman Pamela Hanlon called the receipt of the letter a ''significant development,'' but added that Pan Am's ''focus of attention remains completing the agreement with United.''

TWA's letter also proposed that it purchase the Pan Am Shuttle on or before Dec. 31, 1990.

A merger between Pan Am and TWA would require regulatory approval, and the sale of duplicative international routes, such as London, Paris and Rome, on terms agreeable to both airlines, said Hanlon.

Under TWA's proposal, Pan Am Corp. shareholders would receive $1 per share in cash in the merger, and $2 per share in face value of preferred stock or promissary notes containing terms to be negotiated.

According to TWA's letter, the proposal is open through Nov. 16, and contemplates a merger by March 31, 1991.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	8	1	0	.889	274	150	4-1	W-7
Miami	8	1	0	.889	192	96	6-0	W-6
New York Jets	4	6	0	.400	178	216	1-4	L-1
Indianapolis	3	6	0	.333	125	196	1-3	W-1
New England	1	8	0	.111	130	257	1-5	L-7

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	5	4	0	.556	212	225	1-1	L-2
Pittsburgh	5	4	0	.556	171	147	1-1	W-2
Houston	4	5	0	.444	194	169	1-1	L-2
Cleveland	2	7	0	.222	128	235	1-1	L-4

WEST

LA Raiders	6	3	0	.667	170	137	4-1	L-2
Kansas City	5	4	0	.556	192	138	1-3	L-1
San Diego	5	5	0	.500	214	163	2-1	W-3
Seattle	4	5	0	.444	175	182	2-4	W-1
Denver	3	6	0	.333	197	224	2-2	L-2

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	9	0	0	1.000	226	110	6-0	W-9
Washington	5	3	0	.625	185	141	4-2	W-1
Philadelphia	4	4	0	.500	199	172	1-3	W-2
Dallas	3	6	0	.333	119	180	0-5	L-2
Phoenix	2	7	0	.222	117	240	2-3	L-4

CENTRAL

Chicago	8	1	0	.889	229	126	4-0	W-5
Green Bay	4	5	0	.444	176	196	2-3	W-1
Tampa Bay	4	6	0	.400	170	243	4-1	L-4
Detroit	3	6	0	.333	213	237	1-4	L-2
Minnesota	3	6	0	.333	194	188	1-4	W-2

WEST

San Francisco	8	0	0	1.000	198	138	3-0	W-8
New Orleans	4	5	0	.444	171	164	0-2	W-2
Atlanta	3	6	0	.333	232	251	1-3	L-2
Los Angeles Rams	3	6	0	.333	198	258	1-0	L-1

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(NOV. 11) UPI - King Hassan of Morocco offered to host an emergency meeting of Arab leaders to discuss the Persian Gulf situation but the official Iraqi news agency says the idea has already been rejected. It quotes Iraqi officials as saying the conference could be a front for what it calls ''American-Zionist aggression against Iraq.''

Word of the Iraqi rejection of the king's offer came even as Saddam Hussein told British television interviewers that he is ready to negotiate over the crisis. But Saddam also attached his condition that the Palestinian question be added to the agenda... and that condition has been rejected repeatedly by the Western allies in Operation Desert Shield.

Americans honored veterans of wars past and present today... the official Veterans Day, though the legal holiday is tomorrow. In Minnesota, there was a reunion of World War One veterans, while the Vietnam Veterans Against the War group staged a protest in Chicago against U-S involvement in the Persian Gulf.

13-year-old Stormie Jones died at Pittsburgh Children's Hospital this morning... the same facility in which she became the world's first heart and liver transplant recipient. Doctors said the girl may have suffered a heart infection but the exact cause of death has NOT yet been determined.

Contract talks between U-S-X Corporation and the United Steelworkers of America are in recess, with NO date for resumption scheduled. The union announced today that the bargaining was suspended late last night after union negotiators rejected the latest company proposal, which did NOT include a wage increase.

New York City police say vandals in the Greenpoint section of Brooklyn knocked the head off a statue of a popular Polish priest opposed to communism and scrawled pro-communit slogans on the sculpture.

The federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta says it's time for Americans to get their flu shots. Officials say flu outbreaks usually begin in December, so November is the best time to get the vaccine, which takes about two weeks to fully protect a person from the virus.

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(NOV. 11) UPI - The Arab world appears to be intensifying moves for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. King Hassan of Morocco today offered to hold an emergency meeting of Arab leaders on the crisis. He also called on Arab leaders in a speech broadcast by Moroccan television to give peace ''its last chance.'' But Iraq is already rejecting the proposal. The official Iraqi News Agency quotes officials as saying the summit could be- quoting- '' a cover for American-Zionist aggression against Iraq.''

Meanwhile, President Bush is reported willing to consider what one official called a ''messy compromise'' to resolve the Gulf crisis. A senior U-S official tells Newsweek magazine that under the compromise, Iraq would withdraw from Kuwait without preconditions. But the official says the United States would NOT interfere if fellow Arabs later wanted to meet Iraqi demands for a Persian Gulf port or part of a Kuwaiti oilfield. And he says there would be ''NO reward'' to Iraq.

In another development, a published report says a U-S Marine battalion plans to practice an amphibious assault this week within range of Iraqi Silkworm anti-ship missiles. The report quotes a U-S official as saying the exercise would take place near the border between Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. The official reportedly says the exercise was planned- quoting now- ''intentionally to raise the ante to show we have the capability and we're ready to take it right to their border.''

At Cape Canaveral, Florida, engineers are getting the shuttle Atlantis ready for the start of its countdown to blastoff Thursday night on a secret military mission. The shuttle's five-man, all-military crew reportedly will put a satellite in orbit that may be used to spy on the Persian Gulf. Sources say NASA managers are starting Atlantis's countdown tonight, one day early because of Air Force plans to launch a Titan-4 rocket tomorrow night from a nearby launch pad.

Guatemalans went to the polls today to choose a successor to President Vinicio Cerezo. The peaceful election ended a bloody campaign in which dozens of political party activists and several elected officials were shot dead in street attacks in the weeks leading up to the balloting. There were NO reports of incidents today... although most voters appeared apathetic and skeptical their vote could alter the country's course.

In Moscow, the man who fired two shots in Red Square on Revolution Day is in custody on charges of attempting to commit a terrorist act. The Soviet news agency Tass reports today that the man was disarmed by a plainclothes policeman. The officer says he was standing in the square when he noticed a man about three yards away had whipped out a double- barreled hunting rifle. Soviet President Gorbachev and other leaders were standing atop the Lenin tomb on the other side of the square when the shots rang out.

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(NOV. 11) UPI - An aide to President Bush reportedly says there's NO indication that Iraq's Saddam Hussein is wearing down or changing his mind in the Gulf standoff.

Meanwhile, a senior U-S official is quoted in a published report as saying President Bush is willing to consider what he termed a ''messy compromise'' to resolve the crisis. But he says there would be NO reward to Iraq for pushing the Middle East toward war.

The report also says a U-S Marine battalion plans to practice an amphibious assault this week within range of Iraqi Silkworm anti-ship missiles. It says the exercise near the border between Saudi Arabia and Kuwait was planned ''intentionally to raise the ante'' to show U-S capability.

In Tokyo, the government prepares to crown its 125th emperor tomorrow. But on the eve of the enthronement of Emperor Akihito, authorities say suspected leftist radicals opposed to the move set a series of fires and unleashed scattered burts of gunfire around the city.

Fires broke out at five Shinto shrines and several train stations in the Tokyo area. Bullets were fired at four Japanese Self Defense Force bases and one U-S base. NO one was injured in any of the attacks.

South African authorities today imposed emergency regulations and a curfew on two black townships near the capital of Pretoria. The move was aimed at quelling anti-government rioting that left two people dead and 25 wounded yesterday.

In another development, South African President Frederik de Klerk announced the first major Cabinet shuffle of his 13-month-old administration. De Klerk cited heavy workloads on ministers directly involved in his racial reform program as reason for the reorganization.

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(NOV. 11) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein reportedly says he's prepared to negotiate a settlement to the Persian Gulf crisis if the Palestinian problem is on the agenda. Saddam told British television interviewers that he's confident that ''serious and deep solutions'' can be reached on all issues, including the Palestinian question.'' Saddam has said before he will consider withdrawing from Kuwait if the Israelis withdraw from the territories and Syria withdraws from Lebanon.

Trans World Airlines is proposing a merger with Pan Am Corporation. Airlines officials say T-W-A issued the merger proposal in a letter to Pan Am. The merger proposal is conditioned on the termination of a binding agreement in principle with United Airlines for the sale of various Pan Am international routes and other assets. Pan Am says the agreement with United may be terminated if it is NOT completed on or before November 14th.

The world's first heart-liver transplant patient is dead. 13-year-old Stormy Jones, the Texas girl who captured the hearts of Millions when she underwent the operation, died today after suffering what doctors said might have been a heart infection. The freckle-faced teen-ager died at Pittsburgh Children's Hospital, six years after the landmark heart- liver operation. She later underwent a second liver transplant when the first organ was damaged by hepatitis.

Contract talks have broken off between U-S-X Corporation and the United Steelworkers of America. A union official says negotiations were suspended late yesterday after the union rejected the company's four- year proposal that did NOT include wage increases. The union representing 18-thousand steelworkers in seven states says the company's proposal fell ''woefully short of settlements the union reached with other major steel producers.''

A union officials says striking employees at the New York Daily News and other trade unionists are gearing up for a door-to-door campaign in Queens and Brooklyn to plead with home subscribers to drop the newspaper. The campaign is scheduled to get underway in Queens by Tuesday and to branch into Brooklyn

later in the week.

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AUSTIN, TEXAS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - In an unprecedented move that will impact elementary science education nationwide, the Texas State Board of Education Saturday adopted a videodisc-based curriculum program as a ''textbook.''

The program, ''Windows on Science,'' will compete with two traditional textbooks for more than $40 million in state textbook funds. This is the first time a program employing instructional technology has competed directly with textbooks in a state adoption.

With the board decision, school districts in Texas now can purchase ''Windows on Science'' for implementation in the 1991-1992 school year. ''Windows on Science'' was developed by Optical Data Corp. of Warren, N.J.

''Two years ago, Texas challenged the publishing industry with a call for innovation,'' said William E. Clark, president and CEO of Optical Data. ''We were the only publisher that responded. I believe the vote today will prove to be the Lexington-Concord of a revolution which will redefine the textbook industry.

''I applaud the leadership role Texas has taken in the search for more effective teaching strategies and instructional resources. They have used their adoption process as a catalyst for positive change.

As a key textbook adoption state, their action gives great impetus to a trend we see developing nationwide - the demand by state agencies, school districts, educators and the public for greater variety, value and effectiveness in the materials used in classrooms.''

To qualify for adoption, ''Windows on Science'' was required to meet stringent state specifications. The program provides complete coverage, in English and Spanish, of state-mandated content for elementary science education in grades one through six. It also actively develops student process skills. Finally, it is priced competitively with a set of classroom textbooks.

Optical Data Corp. is the leading producer, publisher and distributor of educational videodiscs. More than 7,000 schools nationwide use Optical Data products in daily instruction. The company also distributes educational videodiscs for ABC News InterActive, Apple Computer and the National Geographic Society.

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LAS VEGAS, NV (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Exabyte Corp. (NASDAQ: EXBT) once again extends the boundaries of tape technology with the announcement of data compression on its EXB-8500 8mm Cartridge Tape Subsystem.

Already offering the largest storage capacity, fastest transfer rate and quickest search rate in its form factor, the EXB-8500 with compression will offer sustained transfer rates up to 2.5 MB/sec. and storage capacities up to 25,000 megabytes (25 GB). High-speed search also will achieve effective search speeds of up to 187.5 MB/sec.

The data compression option offered by Exabyte, subject to the completion of appropriate license rights, will incorporate the IBM algorithm as set forth in the ANSI Document X3B5/90/254, and currently implemented in IBM's Improved Data Recording Capability (IDRC).

Exabyte's implementation of data compression offers data integrity verification not offered by any other helical scan recording vendor. After data is compressed, it is decompressed immediately and compared to the original data prior to being written on the tape.

This Compression Integrity Check ensures that the failure of any electronic component within the compression implementation will not compromise the integrity of the data written to tape.

"We chose the IBM algorithm because we needed a compression algorithm that offered the speed and efficiency to support our current products as well as the high-performance 8mm products we are designing for the future," said Exabyte President and Chief Executive Officer Peter Behrendt.

As a de facto standard in the high-performance systems environment, the IBM algorithm will be implemented as an option on all future 8mm drives. "This announcement widens the already considerable advantage our products enjoy over any competitive products.

"It reaffirms our commitment to enhance our customers' investments by offering a complete and extendable line of 8mm products - a line that will ensure ongoing media interchange, continued configuration flexibility and unequalled growth paths," Behrendt added. Selectively invoked by software commands, data compression on the EXB-8500 will:

- Increase storage capacity up to five times
- Increase effective transfer rates up to five times
- Increase effective search speeds up to five times
- Reduce backup times
- Reduce data cartridge requirements
- Reduce tape mounts

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - EXABYTE Corp. (NASDAQ:EXBT) announced that it has signed an exlcusive joint development agreement with Sony Corp. for a half-high deck mechanism.

This agreement formalizes more than a year's worth of shared development efforts, which have already resulted in several prototypes half-high 8mm drives.

The program will produce a half-high version of the popular EXB-8200 8mm Cartridge Tape Subsystem, with a storage capacity of 2,500 megabytes (2.5 GB) and a transfer rate of 246 kilobytes per second (KB/sec.). Also under development is a half-high version of the EXB-8500 8mm Cartridge Tape Subsystem, with double the capacity and the transfer rate of the EXB-8200. Both drives currently are packaged in the industry-standard full-high 5-1/4 inch form factor.

Both the EXB-8200 and the EXB-8500 half-high products will have the option of using data compression, as will all future 8mm drives. Data compression will provide up to five times the capacity, transfer rates and search speeds, depending on the data to be compressed.

The data compression option offered by EXABYTE, subject to the completion of appropriate license rights, will incorporate the IBM algorithm as set forth in the ANSI Document X3B5/90/254, and currently implemented in IBM's Improved Data Recording Capability (IDRC). This implementation of data compresison offers a Compression Integrity Check (tm) not offered by any other helical scan recording vendor.

The first EXABYTE 8mm cartridge tape subsystem in a half-high form factor will be available in the second half of 1991.

EXABYTE Corp., based in Boulder, Colo., develops, manufactures and markets a complete line of high-capacity 8mm cartridge tape subsystems for data storage. The company markets its 8mm products to original equipment manufacturers,

value-added resellers, system integrators and distributors for unattended backup/restore, journaling, archiving, data interchange, software distribution imaging and data acquisition.

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LAS VEGAS, NV (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE) - A desktop cartridge handling subsystem (CHS) capable of random or sequential 8mm tape backup operations was introduced Monday by Exabyte Corp. (NASDAQ: EXBT).

"The EXB-10i Cartridge Handling Subsystem is ideal for the LAN environment, where selective restore capability is a requirement," said Exabyte President and Chief Executive Officer Peter Behrendt. "This extension of our product line for unattended backup gives Exabyte customers additional flexibility in meeting end-user needs."

The EXB-10i CHS incorporates either an EXB-8200 or EXB-8500 Cartridge Tape Subsystem, offering native storage capacities of 25 gigabytes or 50 gigabytes, respectively, in less than a square foot of desk space. A robotic cartridge handling mechanism accesses up to ten cartridges - either sequentially or randomly.

Random access is achieved through the SCSI-2 interface with a subset of the command set for the previously announced Exabyte EXB-120, a cartridge handling subsystem that offers up to 580 GB of data storage. Robotics in the EXB-10i CHS are identical to those in the EXB-10 CHS, which provides sequential access only.

Beta shipments of the EXB-10i CHS will begin in first quarter 1991. Production shipments are scheduled for second quarter 1991. Single-quantity price to OEMs and system integrators, without drive and cartridges, is $3,195 (U.S.). Exabyte will upgrade EXB-10 units for $295 (U.S.) in second quarter 1991.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - EXABYTE Corp. (NASDAQ:EXBT) Monday announced a new high-speed search feature that will enhance the performance of the highly successful EXB-8200 8mm Cartridge Tape Subsystem.

EXABYTE also increased the mean time between failure (MTBF) of all models of the EXB-8200 by more than 30 percent to 40,000 hours. The increase was based on reliability data collected on more than 150,000 units in the field. MTBF is the number of hours between equipment failures that require maintenance intervention.

The high-speed search functionality on the EXB-8200 allows the host to locate a pre-defined position on tape quickly. Searching over half of a 2.5 gigabyte tape with an average access time of 85 seconds, the EXB-8200 now achieves high-speed search at speeds up to 15 megabytes per second.

''With its new optional feature, the EXB-8200 is the perfect solution for our customers who need fast search speeds, particularly in PC LAN environments,'' said Peter Behrendt, EXABYTE president and chief executive officer.

''The product's very high storage capacity, fast transfer rate and rapid search speed combine to offer users unparalled tape backup and restore capabilities. The introduction of this new feature demonstrates our continued determination to meet our customers' requirements for high-performance backup and rapid restore operations.''

The high-speed search feature further extends the performance of the EXB-8200, which has a storage capacity of 2,500 megabytes (2.5 gigabytes) and a transfer rate of 246 kilobytes per second. Packaged in a standard 5-1/4 inch form factor, the EXB-8200 also includes an integrated SCSI controller (in single-ended or differential drives), onboard error correction code and error recovery procedures, and integrated speed-matching buffer.

To achieve the high-speed search functionality, two high-speed search commands were added to the EXB-8200; SHOW BLOCK and FIND BLOCK. These commands allow the product to position to a given logical point of tape very quickly. Driver development is required. An additional feature, abbreviated filemarks, may be used to delimit groups of recorded user data, and take up only 23 tracks each or about 184 kilobytes of data space.

Production shipments are scheduled for December 1990. OEM quantity pricing of the EXB-8200 with high-speed is US $1,665. High-speed search upgrades to existing EXB-8200s will be available in June 1991.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - U S WEST (NYSE:USW) announced Monday that it has proposed to U S WEST NewVector Group Inc. (NASDAQ:USWNA) a transaction in which U S WEST would acquire the 19 percent of NewVector it does not currently own in a stock-for-stock, tax-free merger.

Upon consummation of the merger, each of the approximately 9.7 million shares of common stock of NewVector not owned by U S WEST would be converted into the right to receive 0.95 shares of U S WEST common stock.

Based upon closing prices as of Nov. 9, 1990, the total consideration paid to NewVector's public shareholders would be approximately $350 million, or $36 per share, representing a 33 percent premium over the average market price of such shares over the last 20 trading days.

''Our proposed acquisition of the publicly held minority shares in NewVector is an attractive opportunity for both companies and their shareholders,'' said Howard P. Doerr, executive vice president and chief financial officer of U S WEST.

''Based on a value of $36 per share, NewVector stock will have had a compound annual rate of return of over 25 percent since it was first issued in April 1988. This is better than virtually any other cellular investment over the same period.

''The premium being offered also compares favorably with other acquisitions of public minority interests. In addition, since NewVector shareholders will receive U S WEST stock, they will continue to share in the upside of the cellular business at home and abroad,'' he said.

''When we made a minority of NewVector shares available in 1988,'' Doerr noted ''cellular was commonly viewed as a totally separate market from our more traditional telecommunications markets.

''Because of advances in technology, U S WEST believes that a broad range of radio-based technologies could be utilized across multiple markets in the future. With this exchange of stock, U S WEST will have additional flexibility to take advantage of continuing technological advances in these areas.''

U S WEST anticipates that the merger would cause minimal dilution.

Consummation of the proposed merger is contingent on approval of the transaction by an independent committee of outside directors of NewVector, the full board of directors of NewVector and the holders of two-thirds of the voting securities of NewVector, and upon the effectiveness of a Registration Statement to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to the shares of U S WEST common stock to be issued in the merger.

U S WEST owns approximately 81 percent of the outstanding shares of NewVector.
  The shareholders of U S WEST will not be required to vote on the merger.

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     #90316b0031 11/12/1990 ~Business Wire
LOS ANGELES (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE) - A staggering one in every ten West Los Angeles office buildings - including some owned by Japanese investors - have had "for sale" signs hung on them during the past six months, adding fuel to one of the most competitive investment markets of the past ten years, according to an estimate released by Westmac Commercial Brokerage Co.

Timothy C. Macker, president of the West Los Angeles brokerage firm, disclosed that the amount of office product now on the market in such places as Beverly Hills and Westwood includes some so-called "trophy" properties purchased during the office building boom of the 1980s by Japanese and domestic syndicators and investors.

"A major reason explaining this unusual condition is the credit crunch peculiar to commercial real estate financing," said Macker. "Historically, buildings have been financed with lesser equity than is required today. Lenders want to see borrowers invest 20 percent to 40 percent hard dollars today while values of buildings have flattened."

The average number of buildings for sale during a normal real estate cycle is approximately four percent - or four in every 100 buildings, Westmac reported. A jump in that rate to ten percent, which in West Los Angeles equates to roughly two million square feet of existing office space for sale, is a new

record, the firm said.

"Opportunities for purchasing office buildings in West Los Angeles have never been greater," said Macker. "I don't think there has ever been as large a range of building types or a more economic time to enter the market."

According to Macker, buildings for sale range from Class A high rises to small owner-user facilities, as well as the growing list of trophy properties so highly regarded by Japanese and other foreign investors during the past ten years.

"We are definitely seeing some of the larger Japanese firms that acquired high-profile properties in the 1980s putting those buildings up for sale," Macker noted.

"They are finding that the reversal in their own domestic financial conditions - not to mention the costs associated with such operating costs as asbestos removal, fire sprinkler installation and handicapped requirements on older buildings - have become untenable even for them."

However, the brokerage firm also noted that West Los Angeles may not be as hard hit by the growing inventories of office product as other adjacent markets because much of its geography falls under various local height and density restrictions.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Bally Manufacturing Corp. (NYSE:BLY) announced Monday the engagement of Bear Stearns & Co. Inc. and BT Securities Corp., a division of Bankers Trust Co., as Bally's financial advisors and investment bankers.

They have been engaged to perform a variety of services, including the restructuring and/or refinancing of some or all of the outstanding debt securities of Bally Grand Inc. (which operates the Bally's Las Vegas Casino Resort and Bally's Reno Casino Resort in Nevada), and the proposed divestiture of certain of Bally's products and services businesses.

Bally also announced that it has retained Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. as Bally's financial advisor in connection with the proposed sale of Life Fitness Inc., a subsidiary of Bally that designs, manufactures, distributes and sells fitness equipment.

Bally also announced the decision to discontinue its efforts to sell Bally's

Health & Tennis Corp. and to discontinue dividend payments on the company's Series D Convertible Exchangeable Preferred Stock.

In addition, Bally announced that Richard Gillman, a director of Bally and chief executive officer of Bally's Casino Group, has been elected president and chief operating officer of Bally, replacing Roger N. Keesee, who resigned as president, chief operating officer and as a member of the company's board of directors.

Finally, Bally announced that it has reached an agreement with the Rank Organisation to terminate the previously announced purchase by Bally of The Clermont Club casino in London.

On Oct. 12, 1990, Bally announced its decision not to make a scheduled Oct. 15 1990 interest payment of approximately $18.4 million on the Bally Grand 11 1/2 percent First Mortgage Notes due 1996 in the outstanding principal amount of approximately $320 million. The board stated, at that time, that it would use the 30- day grace period provided by the indenture governing these notes to perform a complete review of the financial condition and operations of Bally and its subsidiaries and to develop a comprehensive plan.

Bally has been in communication with representatives of certain of its lenders and certain holders of debt securities of Bally Grand Inc., including a committee representing certain holders of the Bally Grand 11 1/2 percent First Mortgage Notes, concerning a possible restructuring of the Bally Grand debt and intends to pursue those discussions.

Bally also may determine to purchase debt securities of Bally and its subsidiaries from time to time in the open market or in private transactions, subject to the availability of financing and the availability of securities at prices deemed acceptable to Bally.

In addition, notwithstanding these developments, Bally fully intends to have the company's Nevada casino operations continue as a viable entity.

Bally Manufacturing Corp. is a world leader in the gaming and fitness industries with four casino hotels, a nationwide network of fitness centers, and a complete line of gaming equipment and systems, fitness equipment and lottery products and services.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - LINK Technologies Inc., a leading designer and supplier of computer terminals, Monday unveiled the MC6, the most

technically advanced offering in its state-of-the-art, comprehensive lineup of computer display products.

As LINK's first monochrome graphics terminal the MC6 offers advanced graphics features, as well as ease of customization characteristic of all the company's terminals.

''The power, flexibility, and full-featured design of the MC6 promise to make it a terminal that can grow with today's dynamic distributed processing environments,'' stated Chuck Comiso, president of LINK Technologies Inc.

In addition to industry standard ASCII, ANSI, PCTerm emulations, the MC6 offers powerful Tektronics Graphics, and Hercules Graphics personalities to give users considerable graphics potential.

The product's simultaneous connection to two hosts with full page or split screen display and concurrent update provides powerful screen capabilities.

Interchangeable keyboards, compatibility with many multi-user systems and advanced screen functionality are other major strengths of the MC6.

Keyboards options include either ANSI, ASCII or Enhanced PC layout. Up to 16K bytes of non-volatile function key memory is available for keyboard customization.

The MC6 is designed for use with a wide range of popular multiuser systems, including UNIX, VMS, PC MOS and Concurrent DOS.

LINK's new MC6 terminal will be displayed at Comdex, at Booth No. 2390 in the South Hall of the Las Vegas Convention Center.

LINK Technologies Inc. is an independent operating subsidiary of Wyse Technology, which merged with the company in 1987. LINK became the fastest-growing and second largest independent terminal company in the world within just five years of its founding in 1983.

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FREMONT, CALIF. (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - On Aug. 6, Safeway introduced the ultimate convenience for grocery shoppers in the Bay Area -- ''Safeway Express'' will now be expanded to include Benicia, Vallejo, cities in the North Bay and Santa Cruz and Monterey counties.

Over an additional 1 million residents, or 441,000 households in Napa, Sonoma,

Monterey, Santa Cruz counties, will now be able to take advantages of the service (by placing their order by telephone or by fax machine) and receive the same day or next day service.

This is the first complete home delivery service that provides the ability to shop by phone from a full-service supermarket selection from over 30,000 items all at the same price a customer would pay if they were doing the shopping themselves.

Items from the store's specialty departments are also available including the bakery, deli, fish market, produce and floral departments and pharmacy.

''Serving our customers is of primary importance to us and the home delivery service is a convenience that no other chain in Northern California offers. These areas have been added to better serve our customers in time for the holiday season,'' stated George Unti, senior vice president and division manager.

The home delivery service will begin in these areas on Tuesday (Nov. 13).

Shoppers Express, based in Bethesda, Md., has successfully worked with other leading supermarket chains in developing the shop-by-phone industry including A&P, Kroger and the Washington D.C. and Portland, Ore., divisions of Safeway Inc.

Safeway Inc. is the third largest grocery chain in the United States, operating 876 stores, 220 in Northern California.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Adobe Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ADBE) Monday announced the Amethyst controller, a new PostScript printer controller board based on the 16 MHz Am29000 RISC microprocessor from Advanced Micro Devices.

The Amethyst controller is the fourth member of Adobe's family of RISC-based controllers, which the company expects to play an important role in helping its customers set new price/performance standards for PostScript printers and typesetters through the 1990s.

The new controller, targeted for application in low- to medium-speed raster printers, can be configured by original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) with varying amounts of RAM and ROM to meet a variety of performance requirements. The amount of RAM can vary between two and 32 megabytes; the amount of ROM

between one-half and six megabytes.

The controller can accept input through RS-232 and RS-422 serial ports, through a Centronics parallel port, and via AppleTalk. It also support the Small Computer Systems Interface (SCSI), which enables users to connect an optional hard disk to a printer.

''The combination of Adobe's industry standard PostScript Controller and AMD's 29K Family of RISC processors is an attractive option for printer OEMs,'' said Subodh Toprani, AMD's director of marketing for the 29K. ''The 29K Family offers printer manufacturers a wide range of performance. Using Adobe's 29K-based Amethyst controller to shorten product development cycles, we see printer companies migrating to RISC for their new printer products in 1991 and beyond. We are excited about the Adobe Systems and AMD collaboration.''

''We are pleased to be able to offer a PostScript controller based on AMD's AM29000,'' said Dr. Carolyn Bell, Adobe's director of engineering. ''Adobe now offers the widest range of RISC-based PostScript controllers, which means we offer OEMs and Adobe-designed controller that can meet virtually any price/performance objective they may have for a PostScript output device.''

Adobe supplies controllers to printer and imagesetter OEMs (original equipment manufacturers), who incorporate them into their products. Nearly 40 licensed OEMs are currently shipping more than 120 PostScript software products.

Other members of Adobe's RISC-based controller family include: Emerald, based on the R3000 microprocessors from MIPS Computer Systems; Ruby, based on Intel's i960K series embedded processor; and Sapphire, based on the XL-8220 processor from Weitek.

Adobe Systems Inc., founded in 1982 by Dr. John Warnock and Dr. Charles Geschke, is headquartered in Mountain View. Adobe is the developer of PostScript, the industry-standard page description language for electronic printing and publishing and Display PostScript, a device-independent graphics software component for computer displays. In addition, the company develops and markets a line of application software products. Revenues for 1989 were over $120 million.

For more information on the AMD AM29000 processor, contact Kevin Kerner at 800/292-9263, ext. 3, or dial direct 512/462-5651. For more information about Adobe's PostScript controllers, contact Adobe Systems at 415/961-4400.

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FREMONT, CALIF (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - GRiD Systems Corp. Monday entered a new and growing market with the introduction of its first network server -- the GRiD 486ei-25/SVR.

The new EISA (Extended Industry Standard Architecture) system is based on the Intel 80486 microprocessor and features nine expansion bays to give users up to four gigabytes of storage to accommodate the most active single processor networks.

The GRiD network server will be demonstrated at the COMDEX/Fall '90 trade show (Booth 1990) Nov. 12-16 in Las Vegas.

GRiD President Alan Lefkof said, ''This is an important step in our strategy to provide total systems solutions. The network server complements our full line of desktop and laptop computers and gives users a complete family of GRiD products to solve their computing problems.

''The 486ei-25/SVR is one of the most advanced all-purpose network servers in the market. It can be configured to meet all networking applications -- file services, communications and database services or as a gateway to other resources. With its combination of memory, software and storage capacity, it ranks as the most efficient system in the network server arena.''

Designed to support the industry's leading network operating systems software, the GRiD server is positioned to play a central role in serving companies' departmental functions and as a distributed computing server for state and federal agencies. The open architecture supports networks based on MS-DOS, OS/2 and UNIX.

GRiD manufactures and markets laptop, pen-and-display and desktop computers, electronic mail and networking systems. GRiD, which has a worldwide direct sales and support organization, demonstrates products at 50 GRiD Systems Centers and sells products through application-specific value added resellers.

GRiD is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tandy Corp., Fort Worth, Texas. Tandy is a leading manufacturer and distributor of consumer electronics and computers. A New York Stock Exchange company, Tandy has sales in excess of $4 billion annually.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - LINK Technologies Inc., a leading

designer and supplier of computer terminals, Monday demonstrated two new terminals, the MC70 and MC320, featuring color capabilities and DEC compatibility, respectively.

Combined with a feature-rich, ergonomic design characteristic of LINK's comprehensive lineup of computer display products, these two new terminals address the particular needs of users for flexible, reliable and cost-effective distributed computing solutions.

With 64 foreground and 64 background colors, the MC70 is one of the only high quality, reasonably priced color terminals on the market today.

In addition, the MC70's ANSI, ASCII and Tektronics Graphics personalities meet the growing demand for flexibility and computing power.

Other key MC70 features include:

- Virtual terminals - vertical and horizontal split screen, with simultaneous update;

- 74 Hz refresh with full overscan;

- One serial RS232/RS422 port up to 76.8K baud;

- One serial RS232 port up to 38.4 baud; and

- 80, 132 and 161 column display.

The MC70 is priced at $1,295 including keyboard, and is available immediately. The MC320 offers true DEC VT320 and VT220 compatibility, with very high definition DEC 320 compatible 15 X 12 cell size and DEC 220 compatible 10 X 20 cell size.

With clustered brightness and contrast controls under the front bezel, and green, amber or white flat screen with full overscan, the MC320 sports an aesthetic, ergonomic design.

In addition, the MC320 offers 85 Hz and 60 Hz refresh rates, and two serial RS423 ports which are DEC MMJ and RJ11 compatible.

The MC320 is priced at $499 including keyboard, and is available immediately.

LINK's MC70 and MC320 terminals will be displayed at Comdex, at Booth 2390 in the South Hall of the Las Vegas Convention Center.

LINK Technologies Inc. is an independent operating subsidiary of Wyse Technology, which merged with the company in 1987. LINK became the fastest-growing and second largest independent terminal company in the world

within just five years of its founding in 1983.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Arden Group Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ARDNA) announced Monday that its board of directors has elected to redeem on Dec. 17, 1990, all of the issued and outstanding shares of the company's preferred stock, Series A, par value $15 per share, at the redemption price of $25 per share plus an accrued dividend in the amount of 10 cents per share for the period Dec. 1-17.

Payment of the redemption price will be made on or after the Dec. 17 redemption date upon satisfaction of the requirements set forth in the notice of redemption and related documents to be sent to all holders of preferred stock on or before Nov. 17. After Dec. 17, all rights with respect to the preferred stock will terminate, except the right to receive payment of the redemption price without interest.

No dividends will accrue on the preferred stock after the redemption date. As of Nov. 8, 1990, there were 131,691 shares of preferred stock issued and outstanding.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Z-Nix Company Inc. Monday introduced its battery-powered Cordless Super Mouse.

The two-button mouse uses infrared technology for cordless operation and is the first cordless mouse to feature a long-life rechargeable battery for uninterrupted use.

The Cordless Super Mouse comes with two rechargeable batteries and a recharging stand. Each battery provides for eight hours of continuous work. The mouse uses infrared signals similar to those in videocassette recorders (VCRs) to transmit from the mouse to the receiver. The recharger is the receiver and easily plugs into the serial port on the central processing unit.

The mouse has an effective range of eight feet and operates at angles up to 45 degrees.

The Cordless Super Mouse has a resolution of 400 counts-per-inch (CPI) and a built-in intelligent driver, so users can tailor the motion of the cursor to individual preference. One user may want the cursor to race across the screen with only a slight movement of the mouse; another may change it to a slow cursor to maintain pinpoint control over movement.

According to Frank Yeh, vice president of sales and marketing for Z-Nix, the steadily growing popularity of graphics applications such as CAD/CAM and desktop publishing and the emergence of graphical user interfaces (GUIs) such as Motif and Windows 3.0, will drive the continued growth of the input devices market.

The Cordless Super Mouse will be available Nov. 20 for a suggested retail price of $179. The mouse can be used with 80286- and 386-based IBM PCs and compatibles. The Cordless Super Mouse will be sold through Z-Nix's worldwide distributors.

Z-Nix is a supplier of advanced computer input devices and has headquarters in Pomona, Calif. The Cordless Super Mouse is the newest addition to Z-Nix's existing line of input devices, including: the Super Mouse II, The FasTrak trackball and the Z-Scan hand-held, grey-scale scanner.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - THE GOOD GUYS! (NASDAQ:GGUY) Monday announced that for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 the company's net income was $7,368,000, a 86 percent increase from fiscal 1989.

Earnings per share were $1.53 on 4,831,000 weighted average shares outstanding. Fiscal 1990 sales increased 51 percent to $293,967,000, with comparable store sales up 23 percent from year ago levels.

The company's net income for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $1,336,000, a 48 percent increase from the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Earnings per share were 25 cents on 5,268,000 weighted average shares outstanding. As previously announced, sales for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $78,732,000, an increase of 51 percent from the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, with comparable store sales rising 16 percent from year ago levels.

''On all fronts, fiscal 1990 was an outstanding year for us,'' commented Ronald A. Unkefer, chairman and chief executive officer.

''During the year, we had exceptional same store sales growth and opened our first stores in Southern California -- a new market for THE GOOD GUYS! that will help fuel our growth for years to come.''

''We now have six stores open in the Los Angeles area, bringing the total number of THE GOOD GUYS! locations to 30,'' Unkefer continued.

Also, the company announced two additions to its board of directors: Howard Lester, chairman and chief executive officer of Williams-Sonoma Inc. and John E. Martin, president and chief executive officer of Taco Bell Corp.

''We are delighted to welcome these two distinguished business leaders to our board and look forward to their contributions and insights,'' concluded Unkefer.

THE GOOD GUYS! is a leading specialty retailer of consumer electronics, operating stores in California and Nevada, and markets a broad range of high-quality, name-brand products.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The following is a summary of a presentation Monday at the New York Society of Security Analysts by officers of Diagnostic Products Corp. (NYSE:DP).

Sidney Aroesty, president and chief operating officer of DPC, reviewed the changing technology in the principal market of immunodiagnostics, which DPC serves worldwide. Aroesty stressed the truly international scope of DPC's operations, and the expected emergence of the common market (EEC 92).

DPC is making investments in the future to be able to become a significant player in this market, which will by far constitute the largest single market for DPC's products, stated Aroesty. Aroesty also stated that large investments in new technology are expected to triple DPC's potential markets over those in which the company successfully operated in the past.

Dr. Sigi Ziering, chairman and chief executive officer, mentioned that the worldwide immunodiagnostic market amounted to $2.4 billion, or 22 percent of the total diagnostic market, with a compounded rate of growth of 12 percent. DPC offers the most extensive menu of tests of any company, stated Ziering, and is well entrenched in certain segments as the market leader.

Historically, the company has experienced valleys and peaks in earnings in accordance with new product introductions and changes in technology. Long-term, Ziering stated, it remains the company's objective to achieve rates of growth of at least 20 percent in both earnings and revenues. Ziering indicated that these objectives are both reasonable and achievable.

DPC is the world's leading independent manufacturer of immunodiagnostic kits. Representing state-of-the-art technology derived from immunology and molecular biology, these kits can measure hormones, drugs and other medically important substances present in body fluids and tissues at infinitesimal concentrations.

They provide information vital to the diagnosis and management of thyroid disorders, diabetes, infertility, infectious diseases, allergy, drugs of abuse and certain forms of cancer. In the five years ended in 1989, sales increased at a compounded growth rate of 28 percent, to $60.3 million. Net income increased at a compounded growth rate of 40 percent to $15.2 million.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Panhandle Eastern Corp. (NYSE:PEL) Monday announced that Dennis R. Hendrix, 50, has been elected chairman, president and chief executive officer by the company's board of directors.

Hendrix replaces Philip J. Burguieres who resigned due to a personal health problem.

Hendrix served as president and chief executive officer of Texas Eastern Corp. from 1986 until 1989 when the company was acquired by Panhandle Eastern. He joined Texas Eastern as president and as a member of the board of directors in November 1985 and served in that capacity until being elected chief executive officer in June 1986.

Before joining Texas Eastern, he had been a member of the Panhandle Eastern Corp. board of directors.

In accepting his resignation, the board expressed appreciation to Burguieres for his hard work, dedication and the invaluable contributions he made to the corporation during a period of significant transition and change within the pipeline industry.

The board stated that as a result of Burguieres' leadership during the past year, this corporation is solidly positioned to be more competitive and to better serve our customers in the years ahead. While Burguieres' health

problem has not responded to medication, his doctors are confident the condition is reversible within a period of several months.

Hendrix has worked in the energy industry since 1973 when he joined Texas Gas Resources Corp., Owensboro, Kentucky, as assistant to the president. In 1975, he became executive vice president, and in 1976, he was named president and chief operating officer. Two years later he became president and chief executive officer and in 1983, was elected chairman of the board.

Following the acquisition of Texas Gas Resources Corp. by CSX Corp., Hendrix was named vice chairman and a director of that company in 1984. For a short time before joining Texas Eastern Corp., he was executive vice president and director of Halliburton Co. in Dallas. A graduate of the University of Tennessee, Hendrix earned his bachelor of science degree in 1962 and a master's degree in business administration from Georgia State University in 1967.

Hendrix serves as a director of the Texas Medical Center, Harris County Children's Protective Services Foundation (chairman), United Way of the Texas Gulf Coast, Forum Club of Houston, and the Museum of Fine Arts. He is a former national chairman of Junior Achievement Inc., and continues to serve that organization as a board member.

Panhandle Eastern Corp. operates one of the nation's largest interstate natural gas pipeline systems, providing natural gas to the Midwest and Northeast markets. Founded as Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Co. in 1929, the company built Trunkline Gas Co. in 1951 and acquired Texas Eastern Corp. in 1989.

The company also operates a large liquefied natural gas plant in Lake Charles, Louisiana. Panhandle Eastern Corp. is one of the 15 companies that make up the Dow Jones Utility Average.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Tiger Media, a leading software publisher for CD-ROM-based systems, Monday announced that its award-winning multimedia entertainment title, ''Airwave Adventure: The Case of the Cautious Condor,'' will be available for the Tandy 2500 XL personal computer with CD-ROM drive peripheral.

''Condor,'' a 1930s-style murder/mystery drama specifically developed for an optical disc format, is an intricate and sophisticated program providing the

highest level of challenging entertainment. The product is now available for $49.95 through the Radio Shack Express Order Software division joining Tandy's strong line-up of CD-ROM-based multimedia entertainment and educational software products.

The product, which is an interactive adventure targeted to adults, offers players the opportunity to solve a murder/mystery in the genre of a classic Agatha Christie-style story. Using colorful, vintage comic book cartoon-drawn characters and scenes, ''Condor'' provides hints through conversations and the tones of the characters' voices allowing players to choose from more than 1,500 possible paths to find the murderer.

''By introducing 'Condor' for Tandy's 2500, we are finally able to show mainstream consumers what multimedia can do,'' said Laura Buddine, president and chief executive officer of Tiger Media. ''Many CD-ROM titles today are conversions of products developed for other systems. Because Compact Disc offers capabilities beyond those of any other format, 'Condor' is at least one order of magnitude larger than any other entertainment software product ever produced for a computer.''

The product, which took more than two years to develop, uses 300 megabytes of program, including three hours of audio and more than 800 high-resolution, full-color images. To run ''Condor'' in a conventional manner would take hundreds of floppy disks.

Tiger Media has headquarters at 5801 E. Slauson Ave., Suite 200, Los Angeles, Calif. 90040; 213/721-8282.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Ventura Software Inc. will be demonstrating Ventura Publisher's cross-platform capabilities during COMDEX/Fall 1990.

All four editions of Ventura Publisher (DOS/GEM, Windows, Macintosh and OS/2) will be interchanging files and chapters across a Novell network in booth no. 1142, East Hall.

''Ventura Publisher's ability to share files and chapters across four of the most popular computing platforms opens a whole new world of business possibilities for current and prospective Ventura users,'' said Larry Gerhard, president and chief executive officer of Ventura Software Inc.

''Today, nearly everyone with a PC is a desktop publisher. Businesses can now

strengthen their publishing efforts based on Ventura Publisher's multi-platform editions running on most popular hardware systems.''

On Oct. 30, Ventura Software Inc. announced plans to support IBM Corp.'s OS/2 version 1.3, which includes reduced memory requirements and Adobe Systems Inc.'s Type Manager support. Ventura Publisher, OS/2 Presentation Manager Edition will take full advantage of OS/2 version 1.3 features and will be available during fourth quarter 1990.

The Macintosh Edition of Ventura Publisher will also be available by year end. Ventura Publisher, Windows Edition has been shipping since the third quarter and Ventura Publisher, DOS/GEM Edition has been available since June 1990.

Ventura Software Inc., a Xerox company, is a leading supplier of publishing forms processing and database software solutions. Ventura Publisher and FormBase are currently available for IBM PCs and compatibles. By year end 1990, Ventura Publisher will also be available for the Apple Macintosh platform and in 1991 will be offered for the UNIX platform running under OPEN LOOK.

The company markets its software solutions through a worldwide dealer network of more than 6,000 outlets. Ventura Software Inc., formerly Xerox Desktop Software, has its headquarters in San Diego.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Six months after the shipment of Microsoft Windows graphical environment version 3.0, Microsoft has seen broad-based acceptance of the technology and substantive progress in companies' implementation of Windows-based personal computing solutions.

''We were overwhelmed and pleased by the initial response to Windows version 3.0,'' said Brad Silverberg, vice president of the systems division at Microsoft. ''What is more important, however, is the real progress made in the integration of Windows version 3.0 by corporate users, software developers and hardware equipment suppliers and the positive impact Windows has had in the business of resellers.

''From the first shipment, Windows version 3.0 has been well accepted by users and developers alike,'' Silverberg added. ''While the movement of the industry from a character-based to a graphical user interface is not a process

that happens overnight, we are very pleased with the demonstrated commitment to Windows version 3.0 to date. We are seeing the Windows environment move rapidly from trial to implementation.''

More than one million copies of Microsoft Windows version 3.0 have been shipped since the product's announcement. Many resellers report that excellent sales of Windows version 3.0 have caused a significant boost in their business overall.

''I've never seen a software product hit the ramp so quickly and maintain its momentum,'' said Bruce Fredrickson, vice president of technology and marketing strategy for Ingram Micro D. ''By the end of October we had sold more than 125,000 units of Windows version 3.0. I think this clearly indicates the market appetite for an intuitive graphical interface. Microsoft Windows version 3.0 gave the market a boost, and the next step will be the upturn in Windows version 3.0 applications.''

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ:MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems, network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, hardware and CD-ROM products for the microcomputer marketplace.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Satellite Transmission and Reception Specialists (STARS) President David G. Olson announced Monday that the company has signed a television transmission service agreement with Kokusai Denshin Denwa Co. Ltd. (KDD) of Tokyo, Japan.

KDD is the Japanese signatory to Intelsat, the world organization that coordinates international satellite communications. The agreement formalizes the conditions under which STARS and KDD will jointly provide occasional television transmission service between Japan and the United States (excluding the states of Hawaii and Alaska). Previously STARS and KDD jointly provided television transmissions under interim arrangements.

STARS owns an international satellite communications network with facilities in Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Denver and Mexico City.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Informix Software Inc. (NASDAQ:IFMX), Monday announced plans to make its leading line of information management software products available on Digital Equipment Corp.'s recently introduced applicationDEC 433MP multiprocessor platform.

The new platform, unveiled in October, will run the SCO UNIX System V version of the UNIX operating system.

Informix also announced that Wingz, its multi-platform graphic spreadsheet with the HyperScript graphical programming language, is now available for the DECstation family of RISC-based computers running Digital's ULTRIX operating system. Wingz, which is available for leading graphical desktop environments, runs under the Open System Foundation's Motif graphical interface on Digital's DECstation line.

Digital's applicationDEC 433MP is a multiprocessor 80486 system running the SCO UNIX System V version of the UNIX operating system. The new platform is targeted for small- to medium-sized businesses.

Informix products for the new platform are currently planned to include the Informix-OnLine mainframe replacement database engine. OnLine is the first database engine to combine fault tolerant, online transaction processing performance with multimedia capabilities. With OnLine, users can integrate information objects such as scanned and digitized images, voice, graphs, facsimiles and word processing documents into an SQL-based relational database.

Other Informix products currently planned for availability on the new system include Informix-SE, Informix's SQL database engine for decision support applications, and Informix's full line of application tools. These tools include the Informix-4GL family of fourth generation programming tools that dramatically reduce application development time; Informix-SQL, a menu-driven relational database management system; and the Informix-ESQL family of development tools for embedding SQL into C and COBOL programs.

All of these Informix products are also currently scheduled for availability this quarter on Digital's applicationDEC 316+, 325 and 333, 80386-based multiuser platforms running SCO UNIX Version V.

Informix Software Inc. is a leading supplier of information management software providing solutions from the database through the desktop.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Sharper Image (NASDAQ:SHRP), the San Francisco-based specialty catalog/retailer, is opening its first store in Buffalo, New York -- its 74th nationally -- at the Walden Galleria on Thursday Nov. 15.

''The Buffalo store is geared up for the holiday gift-giving season,'' said Craig Womack, chief operating officer and executive vice president of retail at The Sharper Image. A couple of the more unusual items at the store will be a knight's suit of armor and a fully refurbished 1944 Coke Machine.

Located in the Walden Galleria at One Walden Galleria, the new store will be open from 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and noon to 6 p.m., Sunday. Store manager Jerry Jacobi can be reached at 716/681-1772.

The Sharper Image is a specialty retailer of a unique selection of innovative and high-quality products that are marketed through its colorful monthly catalogs and expanding retail network which now totals 74 stores nationwide and seven internationally.

The company offers a wide variety of products, including consumer electronics, communications, health and fitness, recreational and novelty items.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - American Recreation Centers Inc. (NASDAQ/OTC:AMRC) announced Monday the declaration of its 90th consecutive quarterly dividend at a rate of 4 cents per share for record holders as of Dec. 17, 1990, payable as of Jan. 9, 1991.

American Recreation Centers Inc., is the largest publicly held corporation in the country devoted primarily to the operation of bowling centers. The company operates 27 bowling centers, 22 in California, and 5 in Texas with an aggregate 1,126 lanes.

The company is also active in the development and management of real estate. Real estate activities include management and operation of bowling division real estate as well as conversion of non-productive real estate assets, including non-profitable bowling centers, into more productive assets.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Aldus Corp. Monday announced that Aldus Persuasion for Windows, the company's recently announced desktop presentations program, will ship in the second quarter of 1991.

The product was previously expected to be available at the end of 1990.

Aldus Corp. (NASDAQ: ALDC) creates computer software that helps people throughout the world effectively communicate information and ideas. In addition to Persuasion, the company's product line includes its flagship product, Aldus PageMaker, as well as Aldus FreeHand and Aldus PrePrint. Products from Aldus subsidiary Silicon Beach Software include SuperPaint, SuperCard, Super3D, and Digital Darkroom. Aldus distributes both product lines through an international network of more than 16,000 dealers and distributors.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Cipher Data Products Inc. Monday announced that it has adapted its F880ES and low-profile M995 GCR tape drives for use by IBM AS/400 value-added resellers (VARs).

The availability of the two tape drives assures that reliable data interchange file transfer and backup can now be accomplished on models B-10, 15, 20 and 25 of the AS/400 system. According to Cipher officials, these economical drives are compatible with the IBM 9347 and 9348 original equipment tape drives and offer equal performance.

Cipher's F880ES-400 drive is a refinement of the industry's best-selling Phase Encoded (PE) tape drive. With special cable, firmware and connectors developed for the AS/400, the drive is comparable to IBM's 9347, but is priced 40 percent less. The F880ES-400 drive offers storage capacity up to 92 megabytes and is powerful enough to burst data as fast as four megabytes per second depending on the operating system or file server.

The M995-400 drive is compatible with IBM's 9348 and can be used across AS/400 models B-10 to B-70. The drive features a Group Coded Recording (GCR) format that delivers a data storage capacity of up to 270 megabytes and offers a

choice of ANSI/IBM 1600/6250 recording densities in a compact 8-3/4-inch-high configuration.

The addition of an embedded Small Computer Systems Interface (SCSI) to the tape drive provides fast backup, and a 270 MB storage capacity recording at high-density 6250 bpi minimizes reel changes to further shorten backup time. The company expects that the M995-400 tape drive will be particularly attractive to integrators since it is priced approximately $3,000 less than the competing dual density GCR drive.

Cipher's vice president of marketing, Ken Cruden, said that Cipher's successful history of supplying product to IBM was of assistance in these product adaptations. ''We have applied the experience gained in providing open reel drives to IBM for higher models of the AS/400 as well as for the 9370 and System 36 computers.

Cipher Data Products Inc. is a leading innovator and supplier of removable information storage solutions. Founded in 1968, the company designs, manufactures and markets a broad range of half-inch magnetic tape open reel and cartridge drive systems providing interchange, data backup and storage for a wide variety of computers.

Cipher is the choice of the world's leading computer companies and the largest supplier of phase-encoded tape drives to major computer systems companies. The company has headquarters in San Diego, and is a subsidiary of Archive Corp., based in Costa Mesa.

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AGOURA HILLS, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Traditional Industries Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:TRAD), a California-based direct marketer of photographic packages to consumers, announced that it is currently meeting and negotiating with new lenders in the context of advanced negotiations with its current commercial lenders.

The purposes of the meetings are to accomplish a complete restructuring of current bank debt and to provide the basis for additional working capital prospectively. While the company is optimistic that the negotiations will be successful, final agreement has not yet been reached and there can be no certainty that the negotiations will successfully conclude.

Imperial Bank, one of the current lenders, recently filed litigation seeking collection of its debt. Imperial and Traditional are negotiating in the context of the negotiations for a complete restructuring of the bank debt.

Although the company is optimistic regarding settlement, there is no certainty that an agreement will ultimately be consummated.

In a separate action, former director William D. Walsh filed for collection of an unsecured debt totalling approximately $3.5 million, which he claims to be due him. The company has retained counsel in regard to this matter.

Traditional has engaged in discussions with the Federal Trade Commission, which two weeks ago announced that it had filed an application seeking to find the company in contempt of the Consent Decree previously signed.

If the company is unable to resolve its differences with the Federal Trade Commission through informal discussions and negotiations, it will petition the District Court for a formal hearing on the matter as promptly as possible. The company is hopeful of an early and favorable resolution of the action, but this cannot be assured.

The company has not yet undertaken its annual audit for the year ending June 30, 1990, because of a lack of funding but it plans for this undertaking just as soon as the proposed banking restructuring is completed, which may offer the prospect of additional funding and working capital.

In the meantime, unaudited results indicate revenues for the last quarter of fiscal 1990, the quarter encompassing April 1, 1990, to June 30, 1990, at an approximate $9 million level. The level of revenues for the first quarter of 1991 fiscal year, encompassing July 1, 1990, through Sept. 30, 1990, is somewhat lower.

However, because of interest charges and a level of general and administrative charges which are high by historical standards, the company continued to lose money in these quarters, the exact losses subject to auditor review.

Management, in an effort to reduce the level of losses, and possibly obtain profitability, is in the process of developing a detailed plant to significantly reduce general and administrative expenses.

The process, however, cannot be fully accomplished until restructuring is completed and the excessive, non-operating legal and consultant expenses associated with both the financial restructuring and the FTC investigations are eliminated.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Aldus Corp. (NASDAQ: ALDC) Monday reported

that it will file an S-3 registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Tuesday, Nov. 13, regarding the sale of up to 981,000 shares of common stock by former shareholders of Silicon Beach Software Inc.

The stock is being registered persuant to registration rights granted the selling shareholders in connection with the acquisition by Aldus of Silicon Beach Software in February 1990.

Charles and Hallie Jackson, founders of Silicon Beach Software, intend to sell up to 880,000 shares of Aldus common stock within 90 days of the effective date of the registration. They acquired 1,088,533 shares of Aldus common stock as a result of Aldus' acquisition of privately held Silicon Beach Software. The Jacksons intend to sell shares to fund their interest in amateur athletics and to diversify holdings. Two other former shareholders of Silicon Beach Software intend to sell up to an additional 101,000 shares under the registration statement, also to diversify holdings. None of the selling shareholders is active in Silicon Beach Software or Aldus Corp.

Aldus Corp. creates computer software that helps people throughout the world effectively communicate information and ideas. In addition to Aldus PageMaker, the company's flagship product, the Aldus product line includes Aldus Persuasion, Aldus FreeHand and Aldus PrePrint. The Silicon Beach Software line includes SuperPaint, SuperCard, Super3D, and Digital Darkroom. Aldus distributes both product lines through an international network of more than 16,000 dealers and distributors.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Businessland Inc. will hold its Annual Meeting of shareholders and announce its new strategy on Tuesday, Nov. 27. The meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. at corporate headquarters.

Following the Annual Meeting, there will be a briefing for financial analysts, media representatives and industry analysts at 11:30 a.m. Space will be limited. RSVP to Alma Howe at (408) 437-4244.

Businessland corporate headquarters is located at:
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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Wayne Shelton has been named president and chief executive officer of Hughes Information Technology Co., a newly formed subsidiary of Hughes Aircraft Co.

In making the announcement, Dr. Malcolm R. Currie, chairman and chief executive officer of Hughes, said the formation of the new company is evidence of Hughes' commitment to information technology leadership. Large-scale, complex information systems development and integration are an important part of Hughes' interest, he said.

Shelton has also been elected a Hughes corporate vice president and a member of the policy board. He was an independent consultant and had served as chief executive officer of the Planning Research Corp. in Washington, D.C. Hughes Information Technology Co. will have its headquarters in the Washington, D.C., area. Hughes is a unit of GM Hughes Electronics.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Sprint Monday announced General Electric Co. has extended its 1988 service contract with U.S. Sprint through June 1993.

The three-year extension increased General Electric's contract commitment for Virtual Private Network (VPN), FONCARD travel card, videoconferencing, 800 services, and private line products.

New service under the contract includes a custom audioconference bridge, which can connect up to 150 locations on one conference call. The customized package will provide General Electric employees with personal operator service to coordinate General Electric conference calls.

"General Electric has one of the most advanced internal telecommunications teams in the world. U.S. Sprint is proud to be a partner with General Electric and to continue and expand our service commitment to them," said U.S. Sprint President Ron LeMay.

"U.S. Sprint has consistently provided General Electric with outstanding service and competitive pricing," said Stan Welland, manager of corporate telecommunications for General Electric. 'We have been particularly impressed with U.S. Sprint's advanced network capabilities and its ability to provide us with new customized features and technologies."

Welland noted General Electric's expanded service agreement with U.S. Sprint is a key part of its multi-vendor strategy in telecommunications. "By deploying a multi-vendor network, we've enhanced our network survivability in the event of an emergency," Welland said.

U.S. Sprint has developed several customized features and first-time service offerings for General Electric over the past two years. Among these are universal cellular phone and FONCARD access to U.S. Sprint's virtual private network. This service provides GE employees while on the road with convenient seven-digit dialing access to U.S. Sprint's network.

U.S. Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. U.S. Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Industrial Funding Corp. (NASDAQ:IFDCA), announced Monday that it is closing regional offices in Atlanta and Dallas that were opened in the last year, curtailing market development activities in the Rocky Mountain region, and reducing headquarters staff that supports the field organization.

''The current economic conditions and uncertain financial markets suggest to us that it is unwise to continue investing in the long-term development of new markets and supporting non-essential overhead. Industrial will concentrate on its primary markets; the Pacific Northwest, California, and the Midwest,'' said Joseph M. Costello Jr., president and chief executive officer.

''We expect that the 25% reduction in staff to 170 employees will lower overhead expenses in fiscal 1991 by 20% relative to fiscal 1990 expenses,'' Costello stated.

Industrial Funding is a finance company that serves the needs of creditworthy smaller companies, primarily through the leasing of productive equipment.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Complete PC and Calera Recognition Systems Monday announced a bundling agreement to offer The Complete Page Scanner with WordScan, Calera's omnifont OCR software.

The bundled product, available from The Complete PC, is scheduled to ship Nov. 30, at a suggested list price of $999, representing a savings of $495 off the list prices of the two separate products.

''Many users purchase our sheetfed scanner for use with OCR applications,'' said William F.X. Grubb, president and chief executive officer of The Complete PC, ''because of its fast speed, compact size and affordable price. Now, they can get the best sheetfed scanner and OCR software on the market for a very attractive price.''

In addition to the bundle, The Complete PC will offer a stand-alone version of WordScan to support its full line of desktop scanners, The Complete Page Scanner, The Complete Page Scanner/GS and The Complete Flatbed Scanner, for a suggested list price of $595.

WordScan, based on Calera's industry standard, omnifont OCR, is a software-only, Windows 3.0 compatible product which supports 286 machines and higher. WordScan can read virtually any printed document directly into your word processor, page layout, database or spreadsheet program. It offers advanced text recognition features, yet at the same time is easy to install and use.

Advanced features include a Preview Window which displays a complete page image where you can select just what you want to recognize. Special dictionaries enhance accuracy and allow WordScan to read ''less than perfect'' documents that other OCR cannot read, such as faxed documents.

Built-in dot matrix recognition makes it easy to read even draft-quality, dot-matrix documents. WordScan's deferred processing feature allows users to scan pages at one time and defer OCR until later.

The Complete Page Scanner is fast, compact, easy to use and captures a page in less than 15 seconds.

In addition to WordScan, the scanner comes with The Complete PC's SmartScan graphics editing software which lets users scan, crop, scale, rotate and pixel edit images. The Complete Page Scanner scans an image in either black and white (for text) or in three different dithering patterns to simulate 64 shades of gray.

The Complete PC, founded in July 1986, is the recognized leader in personal communications and imaging products. The Complete PC is the manufacturer of The Complete Answering Machine, The Complete Fax family of products and The Complete PC scanner family for both MS-DOS and Macintosh personal computers. The Complete PC's products are available nationwide at over 2,000 computer resellers.

Founded in 1982 as The Palantir Corp., Calera Recognition Systems is the leading manufacturer of OCR systems and scanners for use in the office environment. Calera manufactures products for many leading platforms including IBM PC and PC compatibles, PS/2 with Micro Channel Architecture, Sun workstations, Apple Macintosh and VAX and is compatible with all leading scanners and software applications.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - PC Quote Inc. (NASDAQ:PCQT) Monday announced revenues of $2,489,238 for the quarter ended Sept. 30 compared with $2,396,063 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The company reported a net loss of $247,636, or 3.6 cents per common share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $65,369, or 1 cent per common share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

As a result of the company's substantial investment in developing new products the company has developed PriceWare -- an asset pricing system, SmartSource -- an economical nine-unit workstation system, and HyperFeed -- a 56KB transmission feed. These products are currently available and the company is very optimistic about their revenue potential.

PC Quote Inc. is a provider of real-time stock quotations via satellite to customers' personal computers in approximately 1,300 locations in the United States. The company's clients include brokerage firms, banks, insurance companies, professional fund managers, and institutional and individual traders.

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GLENDALE, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - B. Wayne Hughes, chairman of the board of Storage Properties Inc. (ASE:PSA) announced Monday that the company generated revenues of $2,063,000 and net income of $1,789,000, or 60 cents per common share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter totaled $790,000 and net income equalled $690,000, or 21 cents per share. The company's operations commenced in September 1989.

The company's advisor has guaranteed that quarterly cash distributions on all outstanding common shares will be 25 cents per share through June 23, 1993. A 25 cent per share quarterly distribution was paid Oct. 15, 1990 and the next distribution is anticipated on Jan. 15, 1991.

All of the proceeds of the company's initial common stock offering are expected to be committed by the end of 1990. As of the end of the third quarter, some capital remained uncommited.

The Brooklyn, N. Y., facility began producing rental revenues in mid-October. This property secures one of the company's first mortgage convertible loans (FMCL). The company has made FMCLs on a total of four operating self-storage facilities and on one self-storage facility which is expected to commence operations in December 1990.

Also, in September 1990 the company acquired, through a joint venture, 62.5 percent of a leasehold interest in a self-storage facility located in Hillside N.J. An Affiliate of the company owns the remaining 37.5 percent of the leasehold interest.

The board of directors announced its intention to discontinue the Dividend Reinvestment Plan at such time that an orderly transition can be effected. This action will eliminate the potential dilutive effect of issuing shares under current stock market conditions. The company will also benefit from eliminating the costs of administering the plan.

Storage Properties is a real estate investment trust (REIT) organized in March 1989, and has invested primarily in nonrecourse loans to PS Properties Advisors Inc. (the Advisor), an affiliate of Public Storage Inc. The loans are secured by first mortgages or deeds of trust on properties that are in operation or being developed as self-storage facilities.

The company has enetered into agreements for the right to acquire properties securing the loans during a specified period. The company's objectives are to preserve and protect its invested capital, provide for cash distributions from

operations, and realize capital appreciation of its properties.

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PUEBLO, CO (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - CF&I Steel Corp. (NASDAQ:CFIP) announced Monday that it has substantially completed negotiations to obtain a $10 million financing arrangement with Congress Financial Corp. that is subject to final documentation and satisfaction of certain conditions.

The company anticipates obtaining bankruptcy court approval for this financing on or about Nov. 30, 1990. Because this is a post-petition obligation which is secured by receivables and inventory, it is necessary to allow 15 days for certain creditors to respond to this arrangement. The company anticipates that all parties concerned will be receptive to this agreement.

Separately, the company indicated that it had adequate cash flow to meet its necessary operating requirements for the foreseeable future.

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CHANDLER, AZ (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Inter-Tel Inc. (OTC:INTL) Monday announced that its subsidiary, Inter-Tel Communications Inc., had signed a letter of intent to acquire the business and assets of Creative Telesystems Inc. of Riverside, Calif.

Creative Telesystems was founded in 1972 by David Rude, president, who has 22 years experience in the telecommunications industry. Creative Telesystems, with sales volume of over $1 million, last year was named outstanding small business of the year by the Riverside Chamber of Commerce. David Rude will join Inter-Tel in an expanded management role.

Craig Rauchle, president of Inter-Tel Communications, stated that the addition of the Creative Telesystems team and the industry competence of David Rude would greatly enhance Inter-Tel's ability to provide superior business communications service to the greater Los Angeles area.

Inter-Tel has other direct sales divisions in California in Anaheim, Irvine, West Los Angeles, Ontario, San Diego and Hayward (San Francisco metropolitan area).

Inter-Tel is one of the leading designers, producers and marketers of business telecommunications software and systems in the United States and abroad. Inter-Tel produces digital electronic key, hybrid, and PABX systems which are totally software updateable with features such as least cost routing, voice mail, automated attendant and uniform call distribution.

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IRVINE, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Westcorp (ASE:WES), a broadly based financial-services holding company whose principal subsidiary is Western Financial Savings Bank (NASDAQ:WSTF), Monday announced a 3 cent dividend for shareholders of record as of Nov. 21, 1990, payable on Dec. 14, 1990.

This dividend follows the announcement of third-quarter 1990 earnings of 17 cents per share, more than double the 8 cent share earnings for the comparable period in 1989.

In a related development, the bank also announced an offering of $150 million of auto receivable pass through certificates by its wholly owned subsidiary, Western Financial Auto Loans 2 Inc. These certificates, Series 1990-1, due March 1996, have a coupon rate of 8.5 percent and were priced at 115 basis points over the ''two year'' Treasury to yield 8.81 percent.

Western Financial is the principal subsidiary of Westcorp, a diversified financial-services company. Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette is sole manager of this offering which includes a guarantee of timely interest payment and of ultimate payment of the principal provided by Financial Security Assurance Inc.

This guarantee ensures the certificates will be rated in the highest category by at least one nationally recognized rating agency.

Western Financial Savings Bank operates 24 retail bank branches, nine real estate loan offices and five automobile finance centers throughout California. The bank also offers consumer finance services across the state through Westcorp Financial Services, a wholly owned subsidiary with 27 offices.

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BALTIMORE (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - TRW received a special award from the

Space Telescope Science Institute, Baltimore, for its ''outstanding contributions to the Hubble Space Telescope science mission operations'' from 1981 to 1990.

The company is the system developer for the Science Operations Ground System (SOGS), responsible for scheduling astronomy observations and processing science data from Hubble.

Dr. Peter Stockman, deputy director of the Spcae Telescope Science Institute, presented the award to Judy Helbling, TRW SOGS project manager, at a ceremony in Baltimore.

SOGS was built by TRW's Systems Development Division, Redondo Beach, Calif. Begun in 1981, SOGS was delivered to NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, Md., in 1986. Two main computers are located at Goddard and provide planning and scheduling and real-time support of observations.

A high-speed data link connects Goddard to the nearby Space Telescope Science Institute, where a cluster of four SOGS computers supports astronomers. Since 1986, TRW has provided ongoing SOGS technical support, including software development and engineering.

''The teamwork and expertise provided by TRW since the installation of SOGS at the Space Telescope Science Institute five years ago has been a major element in the success of this system,'' said Dr. Riccardo Giacconi, director of the Institute, in a letter announcing the award.

''TRW engineers and computer scientists have established this capability to guide the Hubble Observatory through its commissioning and early science programs. The dedication and imagination of the TRW staff helps assure the promise of restoring the most critical scientific capabilities through future improvements in science operations.''

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CLACKAMAS, ORE. (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Technology Applications (Thailand) Ltd. has acquired a majority interest in Code-A-Phone Corp., an international marketer of consumer and commercial telecommunications products.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Technology Applications (Thailand) manufactures advanced surface-mount electronic assemblies and systems for the computer and telecommunications industries. The company has produced several models of Code-A-Phone cordless telephones since 1988.

''This is an alliance of strengths, matching Technology Application's leading-edge manufacturing and research-and-development resources with brand-name Code-A-Phone's recognition in U.S. and international marketing networks,'' said Michael Driscoll, chief executive officer of Technology Applications. ''Essentially, we are vertically integrating two companies with distinct strengths, resulting in financial and significant strategic advantages to both.''

Through the recapitalization agreement, Technology Applications acquires majority interest in the company, with Merrill Lynch Interfunding retaining a significant minority position. The company previously was a closely held private corporation.

Driscoll said the alliance will strengthen Code-A-Phone's market position through aggressive new-product development and improved manufacturing economies.

Technology Applications, formed in 1986, has engineering, manufacturing and testing facilities at its base in Bangkok, Thailand, and in Singapore. The company's client roster includes GTE, Seagate Technology, Smith Corona, NEC and Goldstar.

In a related move, the company recently added significantly to its R&D capabilities by acquiring the telephonic and radio frequency research operations of PSQ Scientific, a leading cordless telephone design facility, based in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA.

Code-A-Phone Corp. has been a leader in telecommunications products since 1958 when it pioneered development of telephone answering devices. Today, the Clackamas-based company markets a broad line of telecommunications products internationally.

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WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - BMW's 1991 525i sports sedan,

equipped with a new 24-valve engine and improved automatic and manual transmission choices, debuts Monday at a press conference at the Red Fox Inn in Middleburg, Virginia, hosted by Karl Gerlinger, president and chief executive officer of BMW of North America, Inc.

BMW's 525i is the most economical 5-Series model, in a line that includes the more luxurious and high-powered 535i and an ultra-high-performance model, the M5.

The new 2.5-liter, in-line six-cylinder engine is virtually maintenance free, and delivers 21 more horsepower than the 1990 525i with a slight improvement in fuel efficiency.

The new engine's mechanical layout (six cylinders in-line) and displacement (2.5 liters) are the only elements that haven't changed for 1991. Major engine refinements include the addition of dual overhead camshafts, four valves per cylinder, and hydraulic valve lifters.

Compared to its predecessor, an engine that developed 168 horsepower, the 1991 version delivers 189 horsepower. The torque rating has been increased by 10 percent.

Four-valve-per-cylinder engines are not new at BMW; the company's experience with them goes back almost 25 years, primarily in the realm of motorsports and limited production, high-performance vehicles. The 525i engine, however, is BMW's first six-cylinder engine with four valves per cylinder that is designed for volume production.

Like all 1991 BMWs, the 525i has a new four-year, 50,000-mile limited warranty and a six-year, unlimited mileage warranty against corrosion perforation. The 525i's suggested retail price is $34,500 -- an increase of only 3.9 percent from last year. This best-selling 5-Series sports sedan is now available at BMW dealers across the United States.

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SCOTTS VALLEY, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - According to an independent survey conducted by Computer Intelligence of La Jolla, Calif., the Paradox relational database management system outsold all PC databases during the third quarter of 1990.

The survey, reported in the October 1990 edition of the PC Market Monitor, showed that during the quarter, Paradox captured a 34 percent share vs. the 22 percent share of its nearest competitor. Paradox is manufactured by Borland

International Inc. (NASDAQ:BORL).

In September alone, the study showed, Paradox caputured 44 percent of all DBMS purchases. The study also indicated that Paradox outsold its nearest competition by a margin of more than 2-to-1 during the last month of the quarter, according to the survey of 1,500 companies with 500 or more employees.

Computer Intelligence collects its data by surveying each month more than 1,500 sites with 500 or more employees through interviews about their actual PC computer software purchase activity.

All sources of product, including retail, direct and mail order, are included in the study. The maximum sampling error for the three-month average is plus or minus 2 percent with a confidence level of 95 percent.

While past performance is not necessarily indicative of future results, this study appears to indicate Paradox has emerged as the market leader, he added.

Borland International Inc., Scotts Valley, is a leading developer of business software and object-oriented programming langages and tools. Borland offers some of the world's most widely used PC software, including Turbo C++, Turbo Pascal with objects, Paradox, Quattro Pro and SideKick.

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SCOTTS VALLEY, CALIF. (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Borland International Inc. (NASDAQ:BORL) Monday announced the immediate availability of Paradox SQL Link support for Rdb/VMS, the strategic relational database management system from Digital Equipment Corp.

With Borland's Paradox 3.5 relational database manager as the client (front-end) application and Paradox SQL Link as the gateway, support for Rdb/VMS gives Paradox users transparent access to data residing on VAX VMS database servers.

''Digital is extremely pleased that Borland will be providing Paradox users connectivity to Rdb through SQL Services, a standard feature of Rdb,'' said Jim Steiner, manager of Database Systems' business development group at Digital, when the product was first announced in June. ''Now Paradox users will have a powerful integrated solution that transparently links their applications to Digital's Rdb information network.''

At the same, Borland formally announced future SQL connectivity support for the IBM DB2 database management system, via Micro Decisionware's gateway for DB2; Tandem's NonStop SQL database under its Guardian operating system; and Sybase Server under Unix. Previously shipped server support includes IBM OS/2 Extended Edition version 1.2, Microsoft SQL Server version 1.0 and higher, and Oracle Server version 6.0.

In addition to automatic translation of Paradox QBE and menu commands to the appropriate dialect of SQL, Paradox SQL Link allows PAL (Paradox Application Language) developers to build full-blown database applications with embedded SQL.

Support for Paradox SQL Link for Rdb/VMS is supplied by SQL Services, the standard interconnect feature of Rdb/VMS. Network interconnect is supplied via TCP/IP, DECNET or APPC/LU6.2.

Paradox SQL Link for Rdb/VMS has a suggested retail list price of $395. Paradox SQL Link for IBM, Microsoft and Oracle lists for $495. All versions of Paradox SQL Link require Paradox 3.5, sold separately for $795, suggested retail.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - New Line Cinema Corp. (AMEX:NLN) Thursday announced that it is forming New Line Home Video Inc. to handle the home video distribution of its own films and those of others.

In conjunction with the establishment of the home video division, New Line named Stephen Einhorn as president and chief executive officer of the subsidiary and appointed Michael A. Karaffa as senior vice president, sales and marketing.

New Line intends to release all of its theatrical productions, and other theatrical releases where it has acquired home video rights, through New Line Home Video. Additionally, New Line Home Video will explore the acquisition of theatrical and non-theatrical programs for distribution in the home video marketplace, and will manage New Line Cinema's existing library of titles.

New Line's formal entry into the home video industry is supported by the company's strong production, acquisition and theatrical distribution capabilities and the important home video values which its films possess.

As of September, New Line ranked seventh of twelve companies in terms of domestic box office market share with 5.8 percent of the domestic box office. Its releases have garnered over $180 million in box office revenues since the beginning of the year.

Three New Line titles, ''House Party,'' ''Heart Condition'' and ''Blood of Heroes,'' are currently amongst the top 50 video rentals, and ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles'' have shipped over 7 million units at the sell-through retail price of $24.99.

Robert Shaye, chairman of New Line Cinema, commented on the new division, ''New Line believes the establishment of our own home video distribution will provide the company with important, additional economic and strategic advantages. New Line is, and has been, a significant supplier of product to the home video market for many years.

New Line Home Video will be located at New Line's New York corporate headquarters.

New Line Cinema Corp. is a leading independent producer and distributor of theatrical motion pictures.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Tandberg Data A/S, formerly owned by Siemens A/S, has announced it has become an affiliate of Singapore-based Wearnes Technology at COMDEX/Fall (Booth 888 in the Convention Center).

Transfer of ownership was completed this past October when Siemens completed its sale of 40 percent of the outstanding shares of Tandberg Data A/S, based in Oslo, Norway. Wearnes has the option to purchase Siemens' remaining 18 percent ownership in Tandberg Data A/S.

Following the transfer of ownership, Per Otto Dyb was named president of Tandberg's North American operation, Tandberg Data Inc.

A nine-year veteran with Tandberg, Dyb previously served as vice president of marketing in Tandberg's Data Storage Division. He began his career at Tandberg in the company's Display Products Division.

Dyb reports directly to Hans Lodrup, chairman of the board of Tandberg Data Inc. and president and chief executive officer of the parent Tandberg Data A/S for the past five years.

Wearnes Technology is the technology arm of Wearne Bros. Ltd. Wearne Bros. Ltd. is a publicly held, international and diversified group of companies with headquarters in Singapore. Incorporated in 1912, Wearnes' 1989 annual revenues were in excess of $328 million.

Tandberg Data Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Tandberg Data A/S, which is a member of the Wearnes network of high-technology companies. Tandberg Data is a leading international supplier of high-speed, high-capacity quarter-inch streaming tape drives and related products. Tandberg Data A/S has headquarters in Oslo, while Tandberg Data Inc. has headquarters in Westlake Village.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - SPSS Inc. Monday announced a significant new investment in its business by several major financial institutions that will position the company for long-term growth through accelerated new product development and expanded customer support.

The group of new investors was led by Morgan Stanley Venture Capital Fund L.P. which is sponsored by Morgan Stanley Group Inc. The other investors were Westinghouse Credit Corp.; Geocapital Partners, a venture capital fund affiliated with Broadview Associates; and Cooke & Andrews Investments Inc., which is an affiliate of SPSS' partner in Japan, Japan Systems Engineering Corp.

SPSS' senior management team remains the largest equity holder in the company.

SPSS is the second largest developer of statistical software in the world.

SPSS projects its 1990 revenue will be approximately $34 million. The 15-year-old, privately held, Chicago-based firm has more than 2 million mainframe, workstation and personal computer users worldwide.

Seven international sales offices have been added since 1984, with international operations representing in excess of 40 percent of total revenue this year.

The company has had an annual compounded growth rate during the past 10 years of 25 percent.

According to Nie, SPSS will launch a major development effort to product a new generation of statistical software products. SPSS will also develop a family of applied statistics products for non-statisticians, upgrade its existing products and boost its customer support activities.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Quickturn Systems Inc. announced Monday it has signed a multi-phased contract with a major semiconductor company for multiple RPM Emulation Systems to be used for new chip development.

The contract is valued at over $3 million; the name of the semiconductor company wasn't disclosed.

Quickturn Systems Inc. developed and markets the RPM Emulation System, the first ASIC system design validation tool to assure correct functionality before committing to silicon. ASIC netlists are automatically synthesized into hardware prototypes with Quickturn's reprogrammable hardware emulation technology.

ASIC emulations run in-circuit and eliminate the system designer's dependence on millions of functional vectors. Operating thousands of times faster than simulation accelerators, the RPM Emulation System does in minutes what accelerators take weeks to do. The RPM Emulation System complements existing ASIC design tools, reduces product development time, and gets products to market faster.

Quickturn Systems Inc., founded in 1987, is headquartered at 325 East Middlefield Road, Mountain View, Calif. 94043, 415/967-3300.

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TALLAHASSEE, FLA. (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - One of the largest acreage tracts in the development pressured Golden Gate Estates region has been preserved Monday as part of the ''Save Our Everglades'' (SOE) acquisition project.

The Florida Department of Natural Resources purchased the Garrison tract from the nonprofit conservation organization, the Trust for Public Land (TPL).

TPL negotiated for the purchase of the 320 acres from the landowner in September 1989, thereby protecting it from development until State funds could be expended to permanently preserve it for the public.

Over 22,000 of the landowners in the SOE project, including the Garrison tract are located within the Golden Gate Estates section of the acquisition area, where parcels are generally no more than one acre in size. SOE encompasses almost 210,000 acres and over 25,000 landowners.

The purpose of the project is to provide watershed protection to several very significant natural areas: Big Cypress National Preserve, Fakahatchee Strand State Preserve and the Everglades National Park.

''Together, these protected lands provide some of the most unique habitat and biologically diverse communities on Earth,'' said Kevin Mooney, Field Representative for the Trust for Public Land.

The 320-acre Garrison property is located in the southwest section of Collier County, approximately 20 miles from Naples, Fla., separated from the Golden Gate Estate Subdivision by a branch of the Faka Union Canal. The property's location make it extremely sensitive and vulnerable to hydrologic changes.

Its preservation will help preserve 310 acres of valuable wetlands and will contribute to the State's attempts to stabilize the ecosystems of South Florida.

The Trust for Public Land is a national nonprofit organization that preserves land for the use and benefit of the public. With TPL's help, scenic, recreational, historical and ecological lands in Florida have been protected totaling over 77,000 acres in 19 urban and rural counties.

TPL's history in Collier County goes back to 1975. Since then we have protected almost 4,200 acres as part of Cape Romano Park and Fakahatchee Strand State Preserve.

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DALLAS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - More than 1,200 patients suffering from blocked coronary arteries have been successfully treated with an excimer laser angioplasty system, according to data presented Monday at the American Heart Association's 63rd Annual Scientific Session in Dallas.

The system used in these cases, the DYMER 200+, manufactured by Advanced Interventional Systems (AIS) of Irvine, Calif., is the first to be recommended for approval by the Food and Drug Administration's Circulatory Systems Devices panel.

Dr. Frank Litvack of Cedars-Sinai Medical Center reported an overall procedural success rate of 92 percent in lesions that had been treated during clinical trials for percutaneous Excimer Laser Coronary Angioplasty (ELCA).

Formal FDA pre-market approval is hoped for by the company sometime in the first part of 1991.

Dr. Litvack showed that ELCA's 92 percent success rate for long lesions (defined as greater than or equal to 20mm) is considerably higher than PTCA's success rate of less than 60 percent in long lesions.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Librex Computer Systems Inc., Nippon Steel's new U.S. subsidiary, Monday introduced its first notebook computers to the U.S. market via a bold and innovative TV/print campaign emphasizing ''lifestyle'' over bits and bytes.

Enlisting the award-winning San Francisco ad agency Goodby, Berlin & Silverstein, Librex's innovative campaign depicts individuals using Librex computers in unique, alternate worksites.

Using the ''Freedom of One'' as a tagline, the new campaign touts the idea that, given the freedom of time and place, individuals can be more productive and creative.

In line with its philosophy of ''bringing the best together,'' Librex hired one of Britain's hottest advertising photographers, Nadav Kander, to shoot the print campaign. For its broadcast campaign, they recruited Clio award-winning TV commercial director, Eric Saarinen, perhaps best known for his distinctive Reebok spots.

''In creating the Librex campaign, our goal was to distinguish the company and its products from conventional computer advertising that focuses on technical specs,'' said Eric Horter, Librex vice president of sales and marketing.

''We wanted to create a mood, using visually arresting photography and psychologically appealing copy, that shows an evolution in work and lifestyles toward greater individual freedom and creativity.''

The print campaign will debut in PC Week, PC Magazine and Computer Reseller News. The innovative TV spots premier in Las Vegas on Nov. 11 during the morning and late evening news.

The campaign marks Nippon Steel's initial foray into the U.S. portable computer market and the debut of the Librex brand name.

Called the Librex 286 and Librex 386SX, the new notebook computers are ergonomically designed for maximum comfort, portability and enhanced productivity.

Librex Computer Systems Inc. was incorporated in June as an independent U.S. subsidiary of Nippon Steel Corp. to design, manufacture and market a broad range of computer products for the American market.

The company is located at 1731 Technology Drive, Suite 700, San Jose, 95110.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Rasna Corp. and Parametric Technology Corp. have announced a joint product development and marketing partnership.

Under the agreement, the companies will integrate their mechanical design and optimization programs providing the capability to quickly analyze and optimize designs created with Pro/ENGINEER.

Rasna develops and markets the Mechanica family of design optimization software tools. Applied Structure, an easy-to-use structural analysis and shape optimization tool, is Rasna's flagship product.

Parametric Technology is the developer of the Pro/ENGINEER family of mechanical design automation tools which are based on a unique parametric

feature-driven solid modeling technology.

The partnership will produce the ability to take models created with Pro/ENGINEER and easily pass the model's geometry into Applied Structure for analysis and optimization. The combined capability will provide users with an extremely powerful, yet easy-to-use, approach to solving complex design problems.

Parametric Technology Corp. is the technology leader in the mechanical design automation industry. Its Pro/ENGINEER family of CAD/CAM/CAE software products provide manufacturing companies with unprecedented flexibility in the creation and analysis of new mechanical designs.

Pro/ENGINEER provides a unique capability which allows users to shorten new product time-to-market, reduce manufacturing costs, and improve product quality through the evaluation of multiple design alternatives.

Founded in 1987, Rasna Corp. is an innovator in MCAE software technology. The company develops and markets user-intuitive, design optimization software tools for mechanical design engineers. Applied Structure and Applied Motion are the first tools in the Mechanica family. Rasna's products are sold worldwide through resellers, strategic partners and OEM relationships.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Librex Computer Systems Inc., Nippon Steel's new U.S. subsidiary, Monday introduced two notebook computers based on Intel's 80C286 and 80386SX microprocessors.

The introduction marks Nippon Steel's initial foray into the portable computer market and the debut of Librex brand portable computers.

The company will introduce its first products into the U.S. market via a bold and innovative TV/print campaign emphasizing ''lifestyle'' over bits and bytes. Using the ''Freedom of One'' as a tagline, the sophisticated campaign touts the idea that, given the freedom of place and time, individuals can be more productive and creative.

''We believe lightweight portable computers will have increasing influence on individual lifestyles,'' said Eric Horter, Librex vice president of sales and marketing. ''Like cellular phones, portable computers allow people to

communicate or access information at any time, virtually anywhere in the world.''

Produced by the award-winning San Francisco agency Goodby, Berlin & Silverstein, the Librex campaign features solitary individuals at alternate worksites, using Librex notebook computers against a series of expansive, contemplative landscapes.

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MILPITAS, CALIF. (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Logic Modeling Systems Inc., developer of the industry-standard LM-1000 hardware modeling system, Monday announced availability of the first models for the MIPS R3000A microprocessor and R3010A floating-point unit.

The R3000A Logic Model is the latest addition to Logic Modeling's extensive library of over 600 complex models that already includes the MIPS R3000 and R3010, plus the largest selection of models for 32-bit microprocessors available anywhere.

''MIPS is committed to providing state-of-the-art design tools for users of its architecture,'' said Prakash Chandra, product marketing manager at MIPS Computer Systems Inc. ''By enabling system simulation, Logic Modeling's products, like the R3000A Logic Model, provide companies with the capability to reduce design iterations and get to market faster.''

''Our customers tell us that model availability is the biggest roadblock to system simulation. The R3000A and R3010A Logic Models are the latest examples of Logic Modeling's commitment to providing designers with rapid access to full-functional models of popular, complex VLSI devices,'' said John Lenyo, product marketing manager for Logic Modeling.

Hardware modeling solves the simulation model availability problem for system and ASIC designers by allowing the physical VLSI device to be used to model its own behavior during design verification. Logic Models can execute actual

system code enabling thorough system verification. The LM-1000 hardware modeling system is platform- and simulator-independent.

Logic Modeling sells through OEM relationships with EDA vendors including Cadence, GenRad, IKOS, Mentor Graphics, Racal-Redac, Scientific Calculations, Siemens, Teradyne, Valid, Vantage Analysis Systems, Viewlogic Systems, Zycad Corp. and to companies with proprietary simulators. The MIPS-designed R3000A and R3010A devices are marketed by IDT, LSI Logic, NEC, Performance Semiconductor, and Siemens.

Logic Modeling Systems Inc. is a privately-held company, with corporate headquarters located at 1520 McCandless Drive, Milpitas 95035, telephone 408/957-5200.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Rasna Corp. Monday announced it will port Applied Structure and Applied Motion to the Silicon Graphics Inc. IRIS 4D family of workstations.

The ported software is planned to be available in the first quarter next year.

Applied Structure and Applied Motion are Rasna's flagship products. Both are members of the Mechanica family of design optimization software tools. Applied Structure is a structural analysis and shape optimization tool. It provides fully automated design sensitivity and optimization features, making it quick and easy for a design engineer to find the best design of his/her part or product.

Applied Motion is a mechanism analysis and optimization tool. It provides static, assembly, kinematic, dynamic and inverse dynamic analysis functionality in a full 3D program. It also offers a fully automated design sensitivity feature which guides users to the optimized design.

Silicon Graphics Inc. is the leading manufacturer of high performance graphics systems, servers and software for visual processing applications. The company's products, which range from advanced project supercomputers to low-end desktop models and PC graphics subsystems, are used by engineers, scientists and creative professionals in design, analysis, manufacturing and simulation.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - BET, the support services company, Monday announced its results for the half-year to Sept. 29, 1990.

Revenue was up 17 percent and operating profit 11 percent, but the company was hit by high interest rates on its increased borrowings. Pre-tax profit fell by 5 percent and earnings per share by 7 percent. The interim dividend was raised by 6 percent to 4.25p.

Overall revenue in the first half of the year grew by 17 percent to 1.5 billion pounds compared with a year ago, with the core support services business up by 18 percent.

While the core business improved its margins and operating profit further, the severe downturn in the housebuilding, home improvement and advertising markets halved the contribution from Boulton & Paul, Anglian Windows, Thames Television and the smaller non-core operations, so that they produced only 8 percent of the total operating profit.

Total operating profit was up by 11 percent to 175.1 million pounds, owing to a 24 percent improvement from the core support services operations. This included doubled profits from North America, and 52 percent increase from continental Europe as well as an 11 percent increase from the U.K., more than offsetting a 34 percent reduction from other areas.

By activity, the key industrial and commercial services operations achieved the largest increase, with margins up in each area and each major service line.

Operating profit was up by 49 percent to 84 million pounds, or 52 percent of the support services total, with 10.1 million pounds of the increase coming from a first full six months' contribution by Hestair's personnel services. The textile rental, cleaning and security services all grew and Biffa's waste management business almost doubled its profit.

Operating profit from plant and construction services rose by 8 percent. Doubled profit from the expanded U.S. business and a strong performance from continental Europe more than offset a 13 percent decline in the U.K.

Underlying operating profit from distribution services rose by 6 percent but the total contribution fell by 7 percent as a result of the reduction to a minority stake of BET's interest in South African business, Unitrans.

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SPARTANBURG, SC (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - TW Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ:TWFS) announced Monday that its subsidiary, Spartan Holdings Inc., has entered into an underwriting agreement with Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc. and Donaldson Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp. providing for the issuance of $225 million of guaranteed bonds secured by 387 company owned and operated Hardee's and Quincy's restaurants.

The bonds will bear interest at 10.25 percent and have a term of 10 years. The financing is expected to close on Nov. 15.

The bonds are unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by Financial Security Assurance (FSA). FSA is a monoline financial guaranty company established in 1985 for the purpose of guaranteeing debt obligations. The bonds will be rated Aaa by Moody's Investors Service and AAA by Standard & Poor's Corp.

TW Holdings also announced that it has completed the sale of the Rowe division of its Canteen Holdings subsidiary to a Houston-based corporation for $15 million in cash and a $2 million note. In addition, TW Holdings has completed miscellaneous asset sales for aggregate proceeds of $15.4 million. Aggregate cash proceeds from these transactions of approximately $30.4 million, together with $220 million of proceeds from the Hardee's/Quincy's mortgage financing announced today, are being applied to the prepayment of the bridge portion of the senior bank debt of TW Services. The remaining balance on the bridge loan facility, approximately $17 million, is expected to be retired prior to its Dec. 1, maturity from the proceeds of one or more other financing transactions currently in process.

TW Services, which became a wholly owned subsidiary of TW Holdings on Dec. 6, 1989, is the fourth-largest food service company in the United States based on 1989 revenues of $3.5 billion.

The company is engaged in contract food and vending services, recreational services and restaurant operations through its Canteen, Hardee's, Quincy's, Denny's and El Pollo Loco business units.

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NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas Co. (NYSE:FMP), an affiliate of Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (NYSE:FTX), announced Monday that the previously announced plan of merger with FTX, whereby FMP will be merged into a wholly owned subsidiary of FTX, has been approved by holders of approximately 90 percent of FMP's common stock.

Upon completion of the merger, each outstanding publicly held share of FMP common stock will be converted into .3119461 of a share of FTX common stock resulting in the issuance of approximately 7 million FTX shares.

As previously announced, FTX's obligation to consummate the merger is subject to court approval of the settlement of certain lawsuits which were filed following the announcement of the proposed merger and the absence of any material objection to the settlement being filed.

As part of the settlement, FTX and the plaintiffs have agreed to use their best efforts to obtain court approval of the settlement in time to complete the merger on or before Nov. 15, 1990, the record date for the December dividends on the FTX common stock.

FTX is a leader in the exploration, mining, development, production, processing, and marketing of natural resources. Its assets include sulphur, phosphate rock, phosphate fertilizer products, oil and natural gas, copper, gold and other natural resources.

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TOKYO (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Clipper 4.5, the Japanese-character version

of Nantucket Corp.'s premier application development system, shipped Monday.

Nantucket also announced the opening of its Japanese subsidiary, Nantucket Japan, which is designed to service the rapidly growing Japanese market for Clipper.

''The Japanese software market has enormous growth potential, most of which is untapped,'' said Brian Russell, senior vice president of development of Nantucket Corp. and chairman of Nantucket Japan.

''With subsidiaries is West Germany, the United Kingdom, Canada, the Soviet Union, Belgium, Brazil and, now, Japan, as well as distribution agreements on every continent, Nantucket continues to be the leader in international sales of application development software.''

Russell will continue to guide the development of Clipper and will be based in the United States. Yutaka Sato, who has been named president of Nantucket Japan, will oversee the daily activities of that office. He comes to the company from Ashton-Tate Japan, where he was instrumental in setting up their Japanese office.

Reporting to Sato is Jim Swanner, vice president of operations in Japan. Prior to Nantucket, Swanner spent the past five years in the Japanese computer industry and was involved in establishing Nantucket Japan.

Nantucket Japan will conduct training seminars to distributors' sales representatives and dealers and will offer technical sessions for independent developers, corporate MIS managers, programmers and end-users.

The division will also provide local Clipper bulletin board systems for enhanced customer support.

The Japanese version of Clipper runs on NEC PC-9801 computers with 512K required memory, a system used by over 50 percent of computer users in Japan. Support for other machines is under development.

Software Japan, Softbank, Soft Wing and Futaba are among the Japanese firms that will distribute Clipper 4.5, at a retail price of 248,000 yen (US $1,650).

Nantucket Japan is located at 5-6-201, Yagumo 1-chome, Meguro-ku, Tokyo 152, JAPAN. The phone number is (03)725-8007, after Jan. 1, 1991, (03)3725-8007.

Founded in 1985, Los Angeles-based Nantucket Corp. is the leading developer of application development systems for microcomputers. Its flagship product, Clipper, is an open architecture application development system that includes user-extensible command and function sets, a compiler with a preprocessor, linker and a full set of development utilities.

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POMONA, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Z-Nix Company Inc. and Microsoft Corp. announced Monday that they have resolved a dispute regarding license negotiations for Microsoft Windows that led to the Nov. 7 filing of a complaint in the federal court in Los Angeles.

Under the terms of the settlement, Microsoft will license Windows to Z-Nix through the end of 1991, at which time both parties will negotiate in good faith for renewal. The Z-Nix complaint will be dismissed and the two companies will mutually release each other from any claim related to the complaint.

In addition, Z-Nix and Microsoft affirmed that the February 1990 settlement of patent and trademark infringement claims against Z-Nix is a valid resolution of legitimate claims.

Z-Nix has withdrawn its allegations about Microsoft's conduct, as stated in its Nov. 7 news release.

''Now that our differences are resolved, Microsoft looks forward to a mutually beneficial business relationship with Z-Nix,'' said Richard Fade, director of OEM sales at Microsoft.

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ANAHEIM, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Dennis I. Edwards has rejoined Distributed Logic Corp. -- a leading supplier of data storage, communications and other peripheral subsystems to the DEC, Sun and IBM computer markets -- in the newly created post of executive vice president.

Edwards rejoins the company following a one-year hiatus as chief operating officer of Future Domain Inc. In his new post, Edwards is responsible for DILOG's worldwide marketing and sales activities. He reports to John F. Wilson, DILOG president and chief operating officer.

Edwards had joined DILOG originally in 1981, as western regional sales manager. He was named North American sales manager in 1983 and became vice president of European sales in 1984. He was named senior vice president for worldwide sales in 1985 and held that post until his departure for Future

Domain in 1989.

Prior to his career at DILOG, Edwards held several sales and sales management posts with Ampex Corp., Microcomputer Systems Corp. and Digi-Data Corp.

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ROCKVILLE, MD (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - GE Information Services, a leading global provider of network-based value-added application services and Data Exchange International (DXI), a leading software company specializing in Tariff Automation, have formed an agreement that will enable GE Information Services to provide tariff automation services to the ocean carrier and liner shipping conference industry.

GE Information Services will offer the DXI tariff software, called RateMaster, as part of GE's worldwide CARGO LINK Services, a recently launched family of computer and network-based services for the Trade Community. CARGO LINK provides information management capabilities such as Electronic Data Interchange, electronic mail and database access tailored to the needs of the parties involved in moving and managing cargo door-to-door.

In light of the US Federal Maritime Commission's move toward mandatory electronic tariff filing during 1991, this offering from GE Information Services represents a strategic solution for carriers and shipping conferences seeking a sophisticated solution to their US Trade and automation of their Tariff Management worldwide.

RateMaster provides international ocean tariff rating and management capabilities. It creates tariff entries in data element form and enables automatic electronic distribution to clients, authorities and agents almost anywhere in the world.

The RateMaster capabilities within the CARGO LINK Services include tariff creation, filing, retrieval, distribution, maintenance and updates. It makes use of technologies such as commodity indexes, keyword searching of commodities and tariff rules, global location validation and tariff records.

DXI's expertise to develop RateMaster was gained from within the maritime

industry, initially on tariff filing, retrieval and distribution within the Federal Maritime Commission regulated routes.

RateMaster is developed on UNIX and is available on GE Information Services' worldwide network or on a client's own UNIX computer.

Tariff data is used to create freight quotations, to perform statistical analysis and to calculate bottom line bill of lading rates.

GE Information Services, a division of GE Co. USA, is a global provider of network-based information services and support, headquartered in Rockville.

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MARLBORO, MA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Stratus Computer Inc. (NYSE:SRA)(BSE:SRA) Monday announced that it has expanded its Asia-Pacific operations by signing distributors in Thailand, Indonesia and the Philippines and opening a sales subsidiary for Singapore and Malaysia.

Stratus also announced today that the Thailand and Indonesia distributors have sold Stratus XA2000 Continuous Processing Systems to financial services and retail firms in their countries. Together, the Indonesia and Thailand sales represent an approximately $15.3 million investment in computers from Stratus, as well as application software from the distributors and a software firm.

The distributors -- Solutions Corporation Ltd. of Thailand, P.T. Gemawidia Statindo Komputer of Indonesia, and Equitable Computer Services Inc. (Equicom) of the Philippines -- now market and support fault-tolerant Stratus systems in their respective countries.

Solutions has sold Stratus systems to ten securities firms in Thailand in a $14.2 million sale which includes Stratus hardware and application software from the distributor and a software firm. P.T. Gemawidia Statindo Komputer has installed Stratus systems at the Jakarta Stock Exchange, Plaza Indonesia, and Bank Sampoerna in Indonesia.

Together, these Indonesia customers have invested $1.1 million in Stratus systems from the distributor. Equicom, prior to becoming a Stratus distributor in the Philippines, installed its stock market data software on a Stratus system at the Manila Stock Exchange in 1989.

In addition, Stratus has opened a Singapore-based sales subsidiary for the marketing and support of Stratus' online transaction processing (OLTP) systems in Singapore and Malaysia. Stratus also recently announced that it has opened

a sales representative office in Beijing for marketing in China.

The new distributors have established their own state-of-the-art Customer Assistance Centers (CACs) by implementing Stratus' advanced online service technology. CACs are networked with Stratus systems at customer sites via Stratus' worldwide Remote Service Network (RSN) to provide around-the-clock online service and support.

Stratus' previously established operations in Asia-Pacific include wholly owned sales subsidiaries and CACs in Hong Kong, Japan and Australia, as well as distributors United Computer Inc. of South Korea; C. Itoh Techno-Science Ltd. of Japan; and Stratus Taiwan Corp. of Taiwan. Asia-Pacific Firms Base Critical Operations on Stratus Systems

Stratus Computer Inc. is a leading supplier of fault-tolerant systems for critical online applications. The company offers the broadest range of fault-tolerant systems and maintains the highest standard for computer reliability.

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HACKENSACK, N.J. (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Alpine Group Inc. (ASE:AGI) Friday announced that its Alpine PolyVision, Inc. subsidiary named Drew E. O'Connell as president of its Retail Systems and Peripherals Group.

O'Connell has 16 years of experience in point-of-purchase, point-of-sale and other data display product markets, with a particular focus on the retailing industry. In 1988, he founded Epsi'lanne U.S.A., an electronic shelf label technology concern, which was sold in 1990 to Electronic Retail Systems International, a worldwide leader in the electronic shelf management industry. O'Connell then served as President of ERS. From 1976 to 1989, O'Connell served as Chief Executive Officer of The Vanguard Group, a national printing and marketing firm.

As President of Alpine PolyVision's Retail Systems and Peripheral Group, O'Connell is responsible for the marketing of PolyVisionTM panels primarily for use in electronic price tag systems, point-of-purchase and data displays in retail and other locations.

Steven S. Elbaum, chairman and chief executive officer of The Alpine Group, Inc. stated, ''The appointment of Drew O'Connell is an important step toward Alpine's objective to establish itself as a leading supplier of PolyVisionTM based electronic display media to supermarket, convenience store and other retailing markets.''

The Alpine Group, Inc. is a holding company with continuing operations in information display related businesses. Alpine is developing PolyVisionTM, a proprietary flat panel display technology, for commercial applications in a wide variety of markets. Flat panel display technologies are utilized for the electronic display of information and graphics on screens and other display media including video displays, outdoor and indoor signage, point of purchase displays, public information, instrumentation and other media.

Alpine's information display activities also include the manufacturer and sale of menuboard display systems and components to fast food, convenience store and restaurant markets through its Posterloid Corporation subsidiary and programmable controllers and other specialized products used in multi-image audio visual presentations through its Audio Visual Laboratories, Inc. subsidiary.

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WALTHAM, Mass. (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Hitachi Group's Nissei Sangyo America (NSA), Ltd., a leading supplier of monitors and graphics controllers to OEMs and distributors, will unveil a low magnetic field 14-inch multi-scanning color monitor for business graphics at COMDEX/Fall 1990 in Las Vegas.

The company will also demonstrate software drivers that improve the capabilities of AutoCAD and Windows 3.0 when running on the ultra-high resolution Infotronic SGX and IGX intelligent graphic controllers.

NSA's 14MVX low magnetic field (LMF) color monitor complies with the world's most stringent electromagnetic emissions regulations for monitors in the office environment. These standards, set by the Swedish government, mandate a very low field of magnetic strength of .5 milligauss or less when emissions are measured 20 inches from the front of a screen.

The 14MVX/LMF offers additional ergonomic features such as silica anti-glare treatment, a full tilt-swivel base, and front panel controls. Incorporating high focus gun technology traditionally found only in high end CAD/CAE monitors, the 14MVX/LMf delivers a bright, sharp image that is virtually adjustment-free. The monitor also provides resolutions from VGA to 1024x768, horizontal scan frequencies from 30 to 40 kHz, and MAC II compatibility. The 14MVX/LMf is priced at $995.

AutoCAD and Windows

NSA will also debut software drivers for AutoCAD and Windows 3.0 at COMDEX. This is the initial roll-out of software drivers running via a TIGA II interface on NSA's Infotronic (INFO) SGX and IGX graphic boards.

The INFO SGX and IGX boards are high-resolution, high-speed intelligent graphic controllers. The SGX throughput is at 10 MIPS while the IGX has a processing speed of 6 MIPS. Therefore, the performance of AutoCAD and Windows on these boards is significantly improved. In addition to speed, the INFO SGX and IGX are compatible with DOS, UNIX, and OS/2 environments. The boards feature software-selectable resolutions with the SGX providing up to 1600x1280, IGX going up to 1280x1024.

AutoCAD, a display list driver for AutoCAD 10/11 as introduced by NSA, has unique enhancements such as ADICOLOR, a color presetting program, and Flush, a fast screen refresh that eliminates screen regenerations. The Windows driver gives users access to hundreds of business and CAD/CAM applications. Drivers are shipped at no additional cost with Infotronic controllers.

Additional Product Demonstrations

CM2187M - a 21-inch multi-scanning color monitor with a dual-function processor to program and store up to 30 display screen presets. The monitor features resolutions up to 1600x1200, and MAC II compatibility. It is priced at $4,495.

SuperScan Plus - a 20-inch multi-scanning color monitor adjusts to graphics standards from 30 to 64 kHz, is compatible with MAC II and offer resolutions up to 1280x1024. It is priced at $3,295.

SuperScript - a 20-inch monochrome graphics subsystem including both monitor and graphic controller. SuperScript provides ultra-high resolution at 1280x1024, and uses the TI TMS 34010 graphic processor. It is priced at $2,495.

INFO SGX and IGX - intelligent graphic controllers distributed exclusively by Hitachi/NSA in North America for Infotronic. Implementing Texas Instruments (TI) TMS34020 processor, the INFO SGX 1600 features VGA emulation with resolutions up to 1600x1280. The INFO IGX 1280 incorporates the TI TMS 34010 chip and provides VGA emulation as well with resolutions up to 1280x1024.

All models support single and dual screen modes, as well as Genlock and NTSC/PAL encoders. The INFO SGX 1280 is available at $4,295, and the INFO IGX is priced at $2,795.

Hitachi/NSA is demonstrating the 14MVX/LMF, AutoCAD and Windows 3.0 along with graphic controllers, monitors and subsystems at COMDEX BOOTH 2190 at the Sands Exposition and Convention Center, Las Vegas.

Nissei Sangyo America Ltd., the North American marketing/sales arm in The

Hitachi Group, handles computer products for Hitachi Yokahama works. NSA's Office Automation Division is headquartered at 800 South St., Waltham, Mass., 02154. The toll-free number in the United States and Canada is 800-441-4832.

Infotronic is a registered trademark of Infotronic S.p.A.

Windows is a trademark of Microsoft Corp.

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AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - HealthVest (ASE:HVT) Monday announced that it has formally demanded payment of certain indebtedness from Healthcare International Inc. (ASE:HII) and its subsidiaries which accrued during the standstill period between HealthVest and Healthcare.

As was announced last week, the standstill period expired on Oct. 31, and the two companies had reached an impasse in negotiations regarding an interim restructuring of the obligations of Healthcare and Healthcare's subsidiaries to HealthVest.

HealthVest also announced that it has formally demanded payment for past due rentals due Nov. 1 under certain leases between HealthVest and subsidiaries of Healthcare and under certain guarantees by Healthcare guaranteeing such leases after application of the payment received from Healthcare on Nov. 7. HealthVest noted that all of the leases between HealthVest and subsidiaries of Healthcare contain cross-default provisions.

HealthVest is a self-administered Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) that invests in income-producing health care-related properties including psychiatric, general health and rehabilitation hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, retirement centers, medical office buildings, medically oriented fitness centers, and facilities offering other related health care products and services.

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CHERRY HILL, NJ (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Marvin Samson, president and chief executive officer of Marsam Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ:MSAM) announced Monday that earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30 were $90,400 (2 cents per share) on revenues of $2,625,300.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, earnings were $1,000,500 (19 cents per share) on revenues of $8,214,700.

Net sales and income for the quarter ended Sept. 30 include $495,000 allocated to that period from a $1.5 million lump sum payment made by E.R. Squibb to the company in connection with the termination of the previous agreement between the company and Squibb.

The lump sum payment recognizes sales and income which would have been realized by the company had the agreement with Squibb not been terminated. The balance of the $1.5 million, $495,600, has been recorded as deferred revenue.

Samson stated that while the company cannot predict the effects on its revenues and earnings during the period of transition from distribution of its products by Squibb to distribution under its new agreement with Geneva Generics, the company may not achieve earnings from operations until meaningful sales of Geneva Marsam-labeled products occur.

Geneva Generics is currently bidding on behalf of Geneva Marsam on hospital and institutional contracts, the majority of which become effective during the first quarter of 1991.

Marsam Pharmaceuticals Inc. is an emerging leader in the development and manufacture of injectable drug products for the hospital and institutional marketplace, which are sold through an agreement with Geneva Generics Inc., a leading developer, manufacturer and distributor of quality generic pharmaceutical products. Geneva Generics is a subsidiary of CIBA-GEIGY Corp.

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PLANVIEW, N.Y. and ARNHEM, the Netherlands (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Geraghty & Miller, Inc. (NASDAQ: GMGW) and Heidemij, a leading European environmental firm, Monday announced the formation of a joint venture to introduce Heidemij's soil washing technologies to the U.S. market.

The patented soil washing system developed by Heidemij has been very successful in treating contaminated soils in the Netherlands and is a low cost alternative to current remedial treatments. The joint venture will unite Geraghty & Miller's assets in hazardous waste remedial action with the technology and operational experience of Heidemij.

The soil washing system, a physio-chemical method, addresses both organic and

inorganic contamination and has proven to achieve significant volume and toxicity reductions. In Holland, three kinds of cleaning technologies are in operation: thermal, biological and physio-chemical. The physio-chemical technology is the only one that can also remove heavy metals from polluted soils.

The process first determines the particle size/contaminant relationship and then focuses treatment on the key soil fractions. Heidemij is currently operating bench, pilot and full-scale plants. The production unit is modular and has a throughput capacity of 20 tons per hour. Heidemij's full-scale production plant has been in operation for over three years and has effectively processed more than 200,000 metric tons of contaminated soil.

Heidemij, headquartered in Arnhem, the Netherlands, is one of the oldest and largest environmental firms in Europe, with business units in consulting, engineering and remedial contracting, focused on land use development, infrastructure, environment and real estate information. In more than 50 developing countries, Heidemij is, through its subsidiary Euroconsult, one of the leading consulting engineering firms in rural development. Formed in 1888 Heidemij developed through the management of land recovery in the early 1900s and has continued to expand through soil treatment, environmental services and hazardous waste management.

Geraghty & Miller, Inc., based in Plainview, New York, is a full service environmental company that provides a wide spectrum of consulting, engineering hydrocarbon and remediation services. Founded in 1957, the Company is a leader in the development, management and protection of ground-water resources and the correction of ground-water contamination. The joint venture is currently operational. For more information, please contact John McCusker, Vice President-Finance, at 516/249-7600, or Michael J. Mann, Vice President, at 813/961-1921.

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SCHENECTADY, NY (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - General Electric and Stewart & Stevenson Services Inc. announced an agreement which provides for Stewart & Stevenson to become the exclusive supplier of packages for GE Power Generation's worldwide sales of GE's newest aeroderivative gas turbine, the LM6000.

''Stewart & Stevenson has succcessfully supplied turbine generator sets using

other GE aeroderivative gas turbines for eight years and this agreement will further develop and enhance the outstanding relationship that exists between the two companies,'' said Delbert L. Williamson, vice president, GE Industrial and Power Systems Sales. ''We also can continue to combine our unique skills to bring exceptional products to the market.''

The LM6000 is a derivative of GE's most powerful and reliable aircraft engine, the CF6-80C, and will be the most efficient simple cycle gas turbine in the world when it is available in early 1992. Rated at 40 megawatts, the LM6000 has thermal efficiency greater than 40 percent. It also employs a unique direct-drive concept that provides for higher efficiency and lower cost. GE believes the markets for the LM6000 will include utilities and independent power producers in various applications.

With two primary divisions, Stewart & Stevenson has had three consecutive years of more than 27 percent revenue growth. The Engineered Power Systems Division designs, manufactures and markets equipment using diesel or gas turbine engines supplied by independent producers.

The company's packaged equipment is sold worldwide for use in many diverse markets, including military and commercial electrical power generators, aircraft ground support equipment, marine propulsion, and oilfield service equipment. The Distribution Division markets industrial equipment and related parts manufactured by other companies, and provides in-shop and on-site repair services for such products.

GE Power Generation is a world leader in the design and manufacture of steam and gas turbine generators, power delivery equipment and systems and air quality control systems. The company is experiencing a rapid growth in the demand for its gas turbines, combined cycle systems and related products. This trend, which is expected to continue through the 1990's, exists as utilities and non-utility generators seek to fill the worldwide need for incremental peaking and base load power generation.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - B+H Ocean Carriers Ltd. (ASE: BHO) announced Monday that its Board of Directors had declared a dividend of $.80 per share, payable on November 30, 1990, to shareholders of record on November 21, 1990.

The dividend is paid from the Company's Available Cash Flow for the third quarter of 1990. The Company's third quarter performance reflected a substantial year-to-year increase in drydocking costs, the loss of revenues

from increased off-hire days, and a reduction in COTCO pool charter rates, partially offset by an increase in PROTRANS pool charter rates.

The Company expects to complete the drydocking of two bulkcarriers in the final 1990 quarter.

The Company operates seven handy-size dry bulkcarriers and six product tankers.

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TUSTIN, CALIF. (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Trimedyne Inc. (NASDAQ:TMED) announced Monday it received approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to market its new pulsed Holmium ''cold'' laser system for removing plaque (fatty deposits) from peripheral (leg) arteries as an alternative to bypass surgery, balloon angioplasty and amputation.

This represents the first marketing approval granted by the FDA for a pulsed laser system able to vaporize blockages in a blood vessel, even hard, calcified deposits, without creating excessive heat.

The new pulsed Holmium cold laser emits extremely rapid, high-energy laser pulses, which are transmitted through a catheter containing a tiny optical fiber. The catheter is inserted into an artery in the thigh ands is advanced through the body's arterial system to the blockage over a guidewire, like a monorail train.

The Holmium laser is able to vaporize the plaque, even calcified deposits, creating a larger channel and restoring blood flow.

Trimedyne is testing the new Holmium cold laser system in an FDA approved clinical trial for removing blockages in the coronary arteries of the heart at 10 medical centers in the United States and two medical centers in England. Trimedyne expects to expand its coronary trial to several additional medical centers in other foreign countries.

Howard K. Cooper, president and chief executive officer of Trimedyne commented: ''We began testing in our Holmium cold laser system in patients suffering with totally and partially blocked leg vessels in January 1990 and have obtained excellent results. Many of these patients would have been faced with bypass surgery or leg amputation.''

Cooper continued, ''We believe our Holmuim cold laser system is the most advanced product available today for removing blockages from leg arteries.''

Trimedyne is a leading manufacturer of proprietary lasers and laser catheters for use in surgery and for removing blockages from blood vessels.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. Monday announced 30 day availability of its LinkBuilder manageable hub product line, providing customers with a flexible tool to build system solutions spanning the network from the desktop through the wiring closet to the Wide Area Network (WAN) and across the enterprise.

With the LinkBuilder family of products, 3Com has expanded its connectivity offerings to include manageable hubs and fiber optic solutions. LinkBuilder, based on SynOptics' LattisNet System 3000 architecture, is available from 3Com in a variety of configurations, with the base unit starting at $1,995. 3Com's LinkBuilder product line provides customers with a standards-based product, supported by 3Com's expertise in networking and connectivity for local and wide area networks.

''Our new LinkBuilder manageable hub product line is an important element of our connectivity offering. It complements 3Com's adapters, MultiConnect, internetworking and network management product lines, creating a comprehensive standards-based connectivity solution,'' said Eric Benhamou, president and chief executive officer of 3Com Corp.

''With this connectivity solution, we are able to further simplify the complexity of data networking for our customers.''

The LinkBuilder product allows network administrators to control and monitor workstation to hub connections, traffic loads, and network security, and enhances network availability for mission-critical applications. LinkBuilder is the central point for connecting structured, multi-media Ethernet networks, including wiring systems comprised of IEEE 802.3i (10BASE-T) fiber optic, and coaxial cabling.

Available modules include 10BASE-T, thin coaxial, and fiber-optic Ethernet connectivity modules along with retiming and Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) based network management modules.

3Com Corp. is a leading independent global data networking company providing multivendor connectivity that spans organizations and businesses worldwide. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports a wide range of networking systems based on industry standards and open system architecture.

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WOODLAND HILLS, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - 20th Century Industries (NASDAQ: TWEN), the Woodland Hills-based insurance holding company, declared a quarterly dividend of 16 cents per share, payable on Dec. 6, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 21, 1990, according to Louis W. Foster, chairman.

20th Century Industries' wholly owned subsidiaries are 20th Century Insurance Co. which markets automobile, homeowners and personal excess liability insurance and 21st Century Casualty Co., which markets automobile and condominium insurance. Both insurance subsidiaries sell directly to consumers without agents.

20th Century Industries and subsidiaries' offices are located at 6301 Owensmouth Ave., Woodland Hills, Calif., 91367, phone: (818) 704-3514.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - B+H Maritime Carriers Ltd. (ASE:BHM) announced Monday that its Board of Directors had declared a dividend of $.30 per share payable Nov. 30 to shareholders of record on Nov. 21.

The dividend is being paid from the Company's Available Cash Flow for the third quarter of 1990. The Company's third quarter performance reflected a year-to-year increase in the size of the fleet and higher vessel operating expenses in respect to three vessels. Revenue was impacted by increased off-hire days, substantially due to the loss of M/T LIVI, and by a decline in COTCO average pool charter rates, offset by an increase in PROTRANS average charter rates.

As reported earlier, one of the Company's product tankers, M/T LIVI, was declared a Constructive Total Loss by the Company's insurance representative in Oct. 1989. The company is in the process of finalizing a claim with its underwriters for $14.7 million and will record amounts received in excess of the vessel's net book value when its insurance claim is finalized.

The company expects to drydock a bulkcarrier and a product tanker in the fourth quarter.

The company now operates five handy-size dry bulkcarriers and four product tankers.

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STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Pitney Bowes Inc. (NYSE:PBI) Monday declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on the company's common stock of 30 cents per share, payable Dec. 12, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 27, 1990.

The directors also declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 53 cents per share on the company's $2.12 convertible preference stock, payable Jan. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record Dec. 14, 1990, and a quarterly cash dividend of 50 cents per share on the company's 4 percent convertible cumulative preferred stock, payable Feb. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record Jan. 16, 1991.

Pitney Bowes is a $2.9 billion multinational manufacturing and marketing company which provides mailing, shipping, dictating, copying and facsimile systems; item identification and tracking systems and supplies; mailroom, reprographics and related management services; and product financing.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - B+H Bulk Carriers Ltd. (NASDAQ: BULKF) announced Monday that its Board of Directors had elected not to pay a quarterly dividend covering the three- month period ended Sept. 30.

Today's action, which is similar to that taken at the end of this year's second quarter, reflects a substantial year-to-year decrease in third quarter 1990 operating results, reported last week, due primarily to a decline in the charterhire earnings of its bulkcarriers and to the higher operating expense of three of the Company's vessels.

The company, which operates seven handy-size dry bulkcarriers, expects to drydock one vessel in the fourth quarter.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Rally's Inc. (NASDAQ:RLLY), the fastest growing hamburger chain in America and the nation's largest double drive-thru hamburger chain, reported record financial results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30.

In its prior year, which ended July 1, the company reported earnings on both an actual and proforma combined basis in order to reflect, on a proforma basis the impact of the company acquiring, on Oct. 19, 1989, 26 Rally's restaurants operating in the New Orleans; Birmingham, Ala.; and Central Indiana markets.

For the quarter ending Sept. 30, revenues rose 94 percent on an actual basis, and 20 percent on a proforma basis, to $19.7 million compared with $10.2 million and $16.4 million on an actual and proforma basis, respectively, in the prior year.

Net income grew 96 percent on an actual basis, and 20 percent on a proforma basis, to $1.4 million compared with $.7 million and $1.1 million on an actual and proforma basis, respectively, in the prior year. Earnings per share of 20 cents for the current quarter were 10 percent higher on an actual basis and 15 percent higher on a proforma basis than the prior year earnings per share of 18 cents and 17 cents, respectively.

Systemwide sales increased 28 percent to $45.9 million compared to $35.8 million in the comparable quarter in the prior year. The company and its franchisees opened 18 stores in the quarter ended Sept. 30, finishing the quarter with 245 units in operation. At Nov. 12, there were 255 units in operation in 23 states.

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OMAHA, NE (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Border Pipeline Co. announced that it has accepted a certificate to construct and operate a 20,000 horsepower compressor unit designated as Compressor Station No. 10 in Clark County, S.D., and to install and operate an additional 12-inch meter run at the Ventura Meter Station in Hancock County, Iowa.

The facilities are estimated to cost $16 million and should be completed and ready to be placed in service by November 1991.

Northern Border will use the facilities to transport firm volumes of natural gas totaling 150 million cubic feet per day (MMcf/d) for Salmon Resources

Limited (30 MMcf/d) and Western Gas Marketing Limited (120 MMcf/d) as agent for TransCanada PipeLines Limited.

The additional 150 MMcf/d of transportation service will reduce the existing shippers' cost of service by approximately 10 percent, from the current 40 cents per Mcf to 36 cents per Mcf.

According to Northern Plains Natural Gas President Larry L. DeRoin, construction at the site, 17 miles west of the city of Clark, South Dakota, will begin as early as mid-November.

The Northern Border Pipeline Co. is a general partnership which includes subsidiaries of four major energy companies: Enron Corp., Houston; TransCanada PipeLines Limited, Calgary; Panhandle Eastern Corp., Houston; and The Williams Companies Inc., Tulsa.

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MANSFIELD, MA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Codex Corp. Monday announced the expansion of its baseline professional services.

The expanded offerings include value-added services with a range of options to suit individual requirements. "With Codex's migration to total networking solutions provider, our service organization provides the skills needed to plan, implement, and support our customers' sophisticated networks," said Tom Cook, vice president of U.S. Customer Service.

Codex's expanded service offerings span the range of product support and maintenance and provide customers a single point of contact with networking experts.

The 11 expanded offerings include cabling, installation, network configuration educational, on-site hardware, unit exchange, EZ exchange, software, critical systems, depot maintenance, and cooperative maintenance services. Codex's new services are currently available and are priced based on individual customer use.

"We are laying a foundation of these services today with a building-block approach. This allows our customers the flexibility to choose the options which best suit their requirements, without forcing a one-size-fits-all solution," added Cook.

Codex's custom-designed services are divided into the three phases of the

customer service life cycle: planning, implementation, and support. Customers can sustain their specifically-configured networks according to one or several of the service products available.

"Today's businesses rely upon their data and voice networks to remain competitive," said Cook. "With network availability requirements increasing, customers want competent professionals to plan, implement, and support their networks. Codex brings a rich history of technical excellence and service quality to the customer with these expanded professional services."

Codex Corp., a subsidiary of Motorola Inc., is a leading supplier of network products and integrated network solutions. The company operates in 51 countries through its nine international subsidiaries and an established distributor organization. Offerings include network management systems, T1/E1 switches, X.25 networks, multiplexers, DSU/CSUs, modems, LAN internetworking devices, and professional services.

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MOUNTAIN LAKES, NJ (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Computer Horizons Corp. (NASDAQ Symbol:CHRZ) said that recent negotiations between representatives of Computer Horizons and Compagnie Generale d'Informatique about a business combination did not result in agreement.

CONTACT: Strategic Growth International, New York
Donald C. Weinberger, 212/826-9622

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DECATUR, AL (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - William D. Powell, president and chief executive officer of First Federal Savings Bank, Decatur, (NASDAQ/NMS:FFSD), Monday announced that the board of directors has unanimously approved the formation of a holding company with First Federal as the principal subsidiary.

Under the proposed agreement and plan of reorganization, the existing shares of First Federal's stock will automatically be converted into an equal number of shares in the new holding company. This will result in the new holding company owning all the outstanding shares of First Federal.

The plan for formation of the holding company is subject to the approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision and stockholders of First Federal.

Powell stated that the holding company structure has been adopted by many financial institutions because it provides more flexibility in terms of future

diversification of business activities. No specific acquisitions or mergers are currently pending nor has the proposed holding company formulated any specific plans to engage in other lines of business after it commences operations.

First Federal is a federally chartered, and FDIC-insured savings bank operating six full-service offices in north Alabama. The common stock of First Federal Savings Bank is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FFSD.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Group Inc. (AIG) has announced that it has received insurance licenses in both Poland and Hungary.

Local Polish and Hungarian partners will participate with several AIG subsidiaries in the new joint venture companies. In both countries, the shareholders' initial capital subscriptions have been paid and the formal process of registering the companies has begun.

In Poland, two AIG subsidiaries and Bank Polska Kasa Opieki S.A. (''Bank Pekao'') have received the first two insurance licenses issued in Poland to companies with foreign participation since the recent inception of the new Polish insurance law. The licenses, Numbers 1 and 2, were granted on Oct. 30.

The two Polish joint-venture companies will be owned 55 percent by the AIG subsidiaries and 45 percent by Bank Pekao. The licenses were issued for the formation of First American Polish Life Insurance and Reinsurance Co., S.A., which will offer life insurance products and the First American Polish Insurance and Reinsurance Co., S.A., which will write general insurance lines and personal accident insurance products.

Each company will be owned 27.5 percent by American Life Insurance Co. (ALICO) and 27.5 percent by AIU Insurance Co.

Bank Pekao is one of the largest Polish commercial and savings banks. It has extensive domestic and a number of foreign branches.

In Hungary, one AIG subsidiary and four Hungarian partners are proceding to incorporate their joint venture company, First American Hungarian Insurance Co., RT. (''FAHIC''), pursuant to the permission granted by the Hungarian Council of Ministers.

FAHIC will write life insurance, general lines and personal accident products. It will be owned 52 percent by ALICO, 35 percent by The Hungarian Cooperative Savings Bank (''MTB''), 11 percent by the Association of Iron, Metal and Electrical Energy Industry (''VASAS''), 1 percent by the Association of Civil Servants Union (''KSZ'') and 1 percent by the Federation of Chemical Workers (''VSZ'').

MTB has an extensive network of over 260 savings coopertives throughout Hungary. The three trade unions have a combined membership of more than 700,000 workers.

AIG's special representative for Poland, Thomas Mintoft-Czyz, will serve as president of both new Polish companies and will be based in Warsaw. Dariusz Cieslikiewicz, director, Economics and Organization Department of Bank Pekao, will be first vice president.

AIG and Bank Pekao are proceeding with the registration of the two companies in accordance with Polish law. They are hopeful both companies will be fully operational by early 1991.

Edward J. Bush, AIG's special representative for Hungary, will serve as president of FAHIC and will be based in Budapest. Registration is proceeding in accordance with Hungarian law and the partners expect FAHIC also will be fully operational by early 1991.

AIG is the leading U.S. based international insurance orgnaization and the largest underwriter of commercial and industrial insurance in the United States.

American International Group Inc.'s common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, as well as the stock exchanges in London, Paris and Tokyo.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Outlet Communications Inc. Monday announced an 88 percent improvement in its operating results for the 1990 third quarter.

Outlet's net loss in the quarter was $268,000, or 4 cents per share compared to last year's net loss of $2,216,000, or 34 cents per share. This was a net improvement of $1,948,000, or 88 percent. The improved results are a reflection of Outlet's recently completed re-structuring wherein certain broadcast properties were sold and the proceeds were applied to reduce outstanding debt.

In addition, operating earnings in the 1990 quarter were up by 24.2 percent due to improved performances at the on-going stations and reduced corporate expenses.

Included in the dispositions of broadcast properties were two television stations and two radio stations which were sold in this year's first quarter. These dispositions contributed to revenue reductions in 1990 versus last year. Thus, net revenue in the 1990 third quarter of $11,289,000 was down from $22,531,000 in the prior year and net revenue of $42,657,000 in the first nine monhs of 1990 was less than last year's $71,684,000.

The sales of broadcast stations enabled Outlet to reduce interest expense and amortization of intangibles and provided Outlet with net gains from dispositions, after taxes, in both years. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Outlet had net income of $4,060,000, or 62 cents per share compared to prior year net income of $12,726,000, or $1.94 per share.

Last year's results include larger non-recurring gains from radio station sales along with an extraordinary credit for tax benefits from net operating loss carryforwards.

Outlet also announced that it has discontinued the services of its financial advisor, The First Boston Corp., which had been engaged to explore strategic alternatives for the company, including its possible sale and/or merger.

Outlet Communications Inc., a public-company headquartered in Providence, R.I. owns and operates two VHF television stations: WJAR-TV, Providence, R.I. and WCMH-TV, Columbus, Ohio.

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David E. Henderson, 401/455-9250

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NASHVILLE, TN (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Comdata Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS: CMDT) announced Monday that it has entered into a marketing agreement with Motorola Inc. (NYSE: MOT), Communications Sector.

Under terms of the agreement, Comdata becomes a value-added remarketer of Motorola's CoveragePLUS real-time vehicular communications and tracking systems.

"Prior to signing this agreement, we examined every available means of providing in-truck communications," said George L. McTavish, president and chief executive officer of Comdata. "Motorola's CoveragePLUS meets the trucking industry's need for a cost-effective information link with their

drivers and serves as a solid foundation for Comdata's new in-truck communication system."

"By combining our capabilities with Motorola's sophisticated CoveragePLUS network and mobile radio units, we can give our customers two-way, in-truck voice communications, voice mail, and text messaging," McTavish says.

"This consolidation of resources allows Comdata to offer trucking companies an innovative service at a reasonable price and lets the small- and medium-seized operators receive the benefits of CoveragePLUS without making an additional investment in computer equipment.

"All it takes is a phone call to the Comdata Communications Center to access this broad array of communications services," McTavish says. "Comdata serves as the central hub through which dispatchers and drivers channel their messages 24 hours a day, seven days a week."

Now trucking companies can easily and economically contact their drivers to alter their routes, change their pick-up and delivery instructions, notify them in the event of an emergency, and can quickly handle virtually any situation which requires rapid communications between dispatcher and driver. A dispatcher simply makes one phone call to initiate a voice communication or to leave a message for immediate or delayed retrieval.

Using the Comdata system, the trucking company can locate its trucks while they are en route, review a detailed transaction history of all communications activity passed through the system, or even access records of purchase or money transfer activities initiated with Comdata's Comchek card.

Comdata Corp. is a leading supplier of products and services to the transportation industry, including fuel management, fuel tax reporting, money transfer, in-truck communications, phone services, electronic load matching, public fax machine services, permit and legalization services, log auditing, audio and video safety training materials, and drug education and testing programs.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Millicom Inc. (NASDAQ:MILL) as a shareholder in Racal Electronics Plc welcomes the belated announcement by the Racal Electronics Board to restructure the company.

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SPRINGDALE, ARK. (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Tyson Foods Inc. (NASDAQ:TYSNA), a leading producer and marketer of pre-packaged, pre-cooked, and convenience poultry and other food products announced record fourth quarter and record yearly operating results for the period ended Sept. 29, 1990.

They are as follows:

Tyson Foods Inc.
Financial Highlights
(Dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

	Fourth Quarter Ended	
	9/29/90	9/30/89
Sales	$ 1,013,898	$ 894,876
Income before taxes	62,120	51,327
Net income	$ 37,246	$ 31,571
Earnings per share	54 cents	48 cents
Dividends per share -- Class A	$ 0.0100	$ 0.0100
-- Class B	$ 0.0083	$ 0.0083
Average shares outstanding	68,687,079	65,835,723
	Fiscal Year Ended	
	9/29/90	9/30/89
Sales	$ 3,825,274	$ 2,538,244
Income before taxes	200,069	163,545
Net income	$ 120,015	$ 100,580
Earnings per share	$ 1.81	$ 1.55
Dividends per share -- Class A	$ 0.0400	$ 0.0400
-- Class B	$ 0.0333	$ 0.0333
Average shares outstanding	66,432,187	64,878,154

CONTACT: Tyson Foods Inc., Springdale
Gerald Johnston, 501/756-4546

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NATICK, MA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - ''On October 26, 1990, Prime made a $25 million payment to its senior bank lenders originally scheduled for payment on December 31, 1990,'' announced James F. McDonald, vice chairman and chief executive officer of Prime Computer Inc.

''We are pleased to have had operating results to date that have enabled us to make this early payment, which will save us approximately $450,000 in cash interest expense in the fourth quarter of this year,'' McDonald further stated.

''Since January 30, 1990, Prime has reduced its operating company debt by $145 million through pre-payments and other debt reduction actions.

''This pay-down of its bank debt is part of Prime's ongoing program commenced over the past several quarters to maximize the company's financial flexibility in building its business,'' said Jack Shields, president and chief operating officer.

''We are proud of our performance to date, and will continue our efforts on building Prime's position as a leading provider of innovative business information solutions for the CAD/CAM and computer systems markets'' Shields added.

Prime Computer Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of CAD/CAM (computer-aided design/computer-aided manufacturing) solutions, having leadership positions in the automotive, industrial equipment and aerospace markets. In addition, the company is a supplier of general-purpose minicomputers incorporating state-of-the-art technology and competitive price/performance. The company has a global software and hardware field service maintenance organization providing service to Prime's installed base.

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Joe Gavaghan, 508/655-8000, ext. 7727

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NORWOOD, MA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Technologies Monday announced that the company has licensed its PhoenixPage PCL 5-compatible interpreter to Abaton Inc., a subsidiary of Everex Systems Inc., for implementation in Abaton's LaserScript P5 printer.

The LaserScript P5 is the first non-HP printer based on the PCL 5 language.

The LaserScript P5 will debut at Comdex in Las Vegas, Nov. 12-16. Shipments are expected in January 1991.

The Abaton announcement follows Pacific Data Product's introduction of the Pacific FivePage cartridge, a PCL 5-compatible upgrade cartridge for LaserJet Series II, IIP, and IID printers. The Pacific FivePage cartridge also uses the PhoenixPage PCL 5 software.

Last month Phoenix announced that it had reached an agreement with Agfa Compugraphic to distribute Agfa's Intellifont PCL 5 font scaling technology. Phoenix also supplies Bitstream Inc.'s Speedo PCL 5 scalable font solution.

PhoenixPage is an expandable software printing architecture that provides

compatibility with PostScript (B&W and color), PCL 4 and 5, and other major imaging models. PhoenixPage also includes the unique FontSocket font management system which supports Adobe Type 1, Agfa Compugraphic Intellifont, Bitstream Speedo and Fontware and other industry-standard font rendering technologies.

Phoenix has licensed its PCL 5 interpreter to several other unannounced manufacturers as well.

Phoenix Technologies designs, develops, and markets systems software products for personal computers and printers. Its products enables OEMs to offer their customers computers and printers that are compatible with industry standards. More than 300 major personal computer and printer manufacturers rely on Phoenix for its system-level software and hardware compatibility expertise.

Abaton manufactures and markets desktop publishing and desktop communications products for the Macintosh and PC markets. Everex Systems Inc., headquartered in Fremont, Calif., is a leading supplier of personal computers and peripherals.

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Rich Levandov, 617/551-4005

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - John Hoyt Stookey, Chairman, Quantum Chemical Corporation, announced Monday the election of Dr. Ronald H. Yocum, 51 to the new position of Executive Vice President, Quantum Chemical Corporation effective December 1, 1990.

Dr. Yocum will remain President of the USI Division, a position he has held since 1989, when he was also elected Vice President of Quantum. His responsibilities will remain unchanged.

Dr. Yocum was formerly Group Vice President, Research and Development of USI. He was previously a Group Vice President of Enron Chemical, and Director of Research for Dow Chemical's Applied Science and Technology Laboratories in Midland, Michigan, as well as Research and Development Director for Dow Latin America.

Dr. Yocum received his undergraduate degree in chemistry from Gettysburg College and his Ph.D. in organic chemistry from the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Yocum and his family are residents of Cincinnati, Ohio.

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BALTIMORE (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Choices Entertainment Corp. (NASDAQ:CECS) Monday announced that it has extended the expiration of the period during which Class C Common Stock Purchase Warrants (''Class C Warrants'') will be issued upon the exercise of its outstanding Redeemable Class B Common Stock Purchase Warrants (''Class B Warrants''), from Nov. 12 to Dec. 31.

Each Class B Warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase 1.2 shares of common stock at an exercise price of $3.25 at any time through June 7, 1993.

In addition, for every two Class B Warrants exercised prior to Dec. 31, holders will receive, at no additional consideration, one Class C Warrant. Each Class C Warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase one share of common stock at an exercise price of $1.875 at any time through Dec. 31.

Choices Entertainment Corp. is engaged in the establishment of movies and music superstores, which rent and sell video cassettes, compact discs and other movie/music media.

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Richard C. Smith, 301/644-3100

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Harlyn Products Inc. (AMEX:HRN) Monday announced results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30.

Sales rose to $6,321,000 from $5,830,000 during the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. For the latest first quarter, income from operations increased significantly to $787,000 from $487,000 and net income was $256,000, or 7 cents per share, as compared to $235,000, or 6 cents per share, for the prior first quarter.

Commenting on these results Harold Weisbrod, chairman, stated, ''We are gratified by the continued growth in sales and earnings we experienced during the first quarter of fiscal year 1991. We are particularly pleased with the 62 percent increase in income from operations. Net income, however, did not grow at the same rate because of increased borrowings to finance receivables and inventory and income taxes paid during the latest quarter were up substantially from those paid in the comparable quarter a year ago due primarily to the expiration of the tax holiday in Thailand.

''While the economy remains uncertain, we remain optimistic about growth in

both sales and earnings during the current quarter and beyond,'' Weisbrod concluded.

Harlyn Products Inc.
Financial Highlights
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Net sales	$ 6,321,000	$ 5,830,000
Income from operations	787,000	487,000
Income before income taxes	408,000	299,000
Income taxes	152,000	64,000
Net income	$ 256,000	$ 235,000
Net income per common share	$ .07	$ .06
Average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	3,830,425	3,693,739

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by
Strategic Growth International, New York
Donald C. Weinberger, 212/826-9622

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BRAINTREE, MA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ:GROS) reported October 1990 sales of $67.0 million, compared to sales of $67.2 million in October 1989.

Grossman's, a major retailer of lumber and building materials, operates 155 stores in nine Northeastern states and in California.

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HORSHAM, PA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Robec Inc., a national microcomputer products distributor (NASDAQ: ROBC), today reported the following results:

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
	(in 000's)	
THREE MONTHS ENDED:		
Net sales	$46,618	$42,953
Net income	730	1,003

Earnings per share (a)	$.16	$.31

NINE MONTHS ENDED:

Net sales	$141,782	$122,531
Net income	3,014	3,353
Earnings per share (a)	$.66	$1.03

(a) Earnings per share decreased in part as a result of the additional shares issued in connection with the company's initial public offering in October 1989. On a pro forma basis, earnings per share would have been $.22 and $.73 for the three-month and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1989, had the shares issued in connection with the public offering been outstanding since the beginning of 1989. T The 16 percent increase in sales for the nine-month period resulted primarily from an overall increase in sales volume and the addition of five new branches in the first quarter of 1990. Four of these offices were opened as a part of the acquisition of Electronic Marketing Specialists on Feb. 2. The four offices are in Los Angeles, San Franciso, Seattle and Salt Lake City.

Robec Distributors is a national, value-added distributor of microcomputer systems, peripherals, spare parts and accessories, providing product leadership and technological services to value-added resellers, dealers and computer retailers.

Robec is headquartered in Horsham, Pa. The company maintains sales and warehouse locations across the United States including: Asheville, N.C.; Atlanta; Boston; Chicago; Columbus, Ohio; Dallas; Denver; Houston; Kansas City Kan.; Los Angeles; New York; Orlando, Fla.; Philadelphia; Phoenix; Pittsburgh; Salt Lake City; San Francisco; Seattle; Washington, D.C.; and Youngstown, Ohio.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Re Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:PXRE) Monday announced the appointment of Jeffrey D. Cropsey as senior vice president, treasurer and chief financial officer.

''We are indeed pleased to name Jeffrey Cropsey to this position,'' said Gerald L. Radke, president and chief executive officer. ''Mr. Cropsey has distinguished himself within the insurance industry as a capable and experienced financial executive, one that has developed keen and highly specialized skills in virtually all matters of accounting and finance.

Cropsey was most recently affiliated with The Equitable Life Assurance Society in New York as Vice President -- Expense Control and Accounting Practices for

the Equitable Insurance Companies.

In this capacity, he was responsible for managing the expense control process for $800 million in annual expenditures, including planning, budgeting and analyzing actual expenses.

Prior to that, he was an audit partner with Peat Marwick Main & Co. in New York, where he planned and directed financial audits of public and privately held insurance companies and mutual funds.

From 1970 until 1984, Cropsey was affiliated with Touche Ross & Co. During that time he held various positions with the firm, including partner in its audit practice.

He also served as the firm's National Director for the insurance industry and was the Director of Accounting Standards for the firm.

During his tenure with Touche Ross, he worked as a practice fellow for the Financial Accounting Standards Board, where he was responsible for managing accounting research projects.

Cropsey graduated with honors from Princeton University with a Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering. He received a Masters of Business Administration, with an emphasis in Operations and Systems Analysis, from Stanford University.

A certified public accountant, he is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants and the Society of Insurance Accountants, and is a former member of the AICPA's Insurance Companies Committee.

Phoenix Re provides reinsurance products and services to a national and international marketplace, with principal emphasis on commercial and personal property risks. The company's common shares trade on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol PXRE.

CONTACT: Phoenix Re Corp., New York
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DETROIT (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Computer Systems Monday announced MANMAN/AUTOMOTIVE, a complete electronic data interchange (EDI) and release accounting system for automotive suppliers.

MANMAN/AUTOMOTIVE is the newest addition to MANMAN, ASK's complete manufacturing information system that supports accounting, manufacturing,

order management and other planning functions.

MANMAN is the first closed loop corporate-wide information system from a major supplier that offers integrated automotive functionality from the receipt of an electronic release to the transmission of an advance shipment notice. Many other systems offer merely an interface to a third-party's EDI and release accounting system.

ASK anticipates that its relationship with EDS Corp., which includes a 20 percent equity investment in ASK and a joint marketing agreement will contribute significantly to the success of this product.

EDS, an independently operated subsidiary of General Motors, develops, maintains and supports information systems used by GM to interface with its suppliers and customers.

EDS will offer MANMAN/AUTOMOTIVE, along with other ASK management information system applications, to manufacturers that have engaged EDS for outsourcing or systems integration services.

MANMAN/AUTOMOTIVE will be part of the EDS Center of Expertise dedicated to marketing MANMAN. EDS will also augment ASK's automotive engineering and support services.

The domestic automotive supplier market consists of approximately 5,800 domestic manufacturers. To address the specific needs of this large market, ASK formed a dedicated automotive engineering and support group and an Automotive Business Unit, both located in Detroit. In keeping with its tradition of involving customers in the product design process, ASK establshed an Automotive User Advisory Council comprised of 42 of the leading automotive suppliers.

MANMAN/AUTOMOTIVE is integrated with MANMAN/OMAR (order management) and MANMAN/MFG (manufacturing functions) to provide users with the visibility and control of current customer demand to effectively manage planning, production and decision-making. It is easy to install because it requires no special programming or table definitions and it is easy to use because it is window- and menu-driven.

ASK Comptuer Systems is a leading provider of management information systems, relational databases and application development tools. It recently completed its tender offer for Ingres Corp. of Alameda. ASK also completed a $60 million equity investment by EDS Corp., and Hewlett-Packard Co., representing 30 percent of ASK's outstanding shares.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad Inc. Monday announced that it has become a participant in Digital Equipment Corporation's PowerFrame Synergy Program and that it will support encapsulation of its System HILO 4 Logic Simulation Tool suite within PowerFrame design management framework software.

PowerFrame will provide System HILO users with a design management structure that facilitates the incorporation of System HILO's high performance and high accuracy simulation capabilities into the designer's tool suite.

The recently announced System HILO 4 provides major advances in both productivity and performance, while still providing the highest accuracy simulation. System HILO 4 has been aimed at supporting Language Driven Design and Concurrent Engineering simulation for designs incorporating complex, sub-micron ASICs. It operates on industry standard platforms such as Digital's VAXstation and DECstation workstations.

GenRad participates in Digital's Cooperative Marketing Program (CMP) under which the two companies work closely to market computer application specific hardware and software for the electronic design automation marketplace.

GenRad Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems and automatic test equipment, to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing, and process quality management. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its trading symbol is GEN.

CONTACT: GenRad, Concord, Raymond F. McNulty, 508/369-4400, ext. 2970 (Mass.)

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ATLANTA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Zenox Inc. (NASDAQ:ZENO) announced Monday that Deloitte & Touche, the company's auditor for 1988 and 1989, has notified the company that its independent audit of Oct. 13, 1989, should no longer be relied upon or associated with the company's financial statements.

Zenox had previously terminated its relationship with Deloitte & Touche for reasons unrelated to the present action on Aug. 30, 1990, as reflected in the company's 8-K filing dated Sept. 14, 1990.

The Oct. 13, 1989 audit report and financial statements formed an integral part of Zenox's annual report, filed on Form 10-K, for the year ended June 30, 1989. In that report Touche Ross & Co., predecessor of Deloitte & Touche,

valued Zenox's shares of stock in Firestone Development Co. Inc. at $1,125,000 based upon their own inquiry and investigation.

During the company's annual audit for the year ended June 30, 1990, Zenox's current independent auditor, Marlin & Edmondson, P.C., was unable to ascertain a value for the Firestone shares, and the company instructed its auditor to write the valuation down to zero.

Thereafter, Zenox and Marlin & Edmondson advised Deloitte & Touche that the Firestone shares they had valued in the previous year were being written down to zero. Deloitte & Touche then notified Zenox that the 1988 and 1989 audited reports issued by Touche Ross & Co. on Oct. 13, 1989 should no longer be relied upon or associated with the company's financial statements for those periods.

Zenox's current independent auditor has agreed to review and, if deemed necessary, restate the audit done by Touche Ross & Co. for the years 1988 and 1989. The company expects that this may result in writing down most, if not all of the value previously determined for the Firestone stock by Touch Ross & Co. Zenox will file amended 10-K and 10-Q reports as may become necessary to reflect such changes.

Zenox has also notified Deloitte & Touche that the company may initiate litigation against it for damages that may have been incurred by Zenox as a result of Touche Ross & Co.'s audit report issued on Oct. 13, 1989.

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#90316b0799 11/12/1990 ~Business Wire

BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Burt Sugarman, chairman and chief executive officer of GIANT GROUP LTD. (NYSE:GPO) announced Monday the results of the third quarter and the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $158,000, or 4 cents per share compared to $2,742,000, or 64 cents a share in the third quarter of 1989.

Net income for the third quarter of 1989 includes $989,000 from the settlment of a litigation award resulting in a reversal of a prior litigation expense and $1,002,000 from discontinued operations.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $15,408,000, or $3.54 per share compared to $7,803,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, or $1.87 per share.

Net sales and operating income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were

$21,087,000 and $1,023,000, respectively, compared to $20,624,000 and $1,297,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net sales and operating income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $59,737,000 and $3,082,000, respectively, compared to $57,769,000 and $1,767,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The results for the nine months reflect the sale of Golden State Newsprint Co. Inc. on May 8, 1990.

The income from continuing operations before taxes for the nine months ended in 1989 includes a gain of $7,676,000 from the sale of GIANT's investment in Barris Industries Inc.

GIANT GROUP LTD. owns 46.6 percent of Rally's Inc. (NASDAQ:RLLY). Rally's is the fastest growing hamburger chain in America and operates or franchises 255 drive-through quick-service hamburger restaurants in 23 states.

GIANT also owns Keystone Cement Co. and Giant Cement Co., who manufacture and sell cement products in southeastern, northeastern, and middle atlantic regions of the United States. GIANT is a pioneer in the resource recovery burning of waste materials.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - James B. Farley, chairman and chief executive officer, Monday announced the appointment of Michael I. Roth to president and chief operating officer.

In addition, several other top management appointments at Mutual Of New York (MONY) were announced.

As President and Chief Operating Officer of MONY, Michael Roth assumes management responsibilities for the company's three core businesses -- Insurance, Pensions and Investment Operations -- as well as for MONY subsidiaries; MONY Reinsurance, MONY Securities Corp., The Enterprise Fund Group and Evaluations Associates Inc. Roth will report directly to Farley.

Michael Roth joined Mutual Of New York as chief financial officer in 1989. He was previously with Primerica, where he was executive vice president and chief financial officer. At Primerica, Roth also held positions as senior vice president of Corporate Finance and Taxes, and executive vice president of Corporate Finance, Tax and Administration.

Roth completed his undergraduate work at City College of New York where he received his B.B.A. in Accounting. He received his J.D. from Boston University Law School, and his LL.M. degree from New York University Law

School. Roth is also a Certified Public Accountant. He and his wife, Carol, reside in Stamford, Conn., with their three children.

Samuel J. Foti, CLU, has been named executive vice president and head of insurance operations. Foti was most recently senior vice president and chief marketing officer for Individual Financial Services (IFS), the company's insurance, annuity and disability division.

He joined MONY in 1988 as the National Director of Agency Operations. Previously, Foti was with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. Foti reports to Roth. Foti has a B.S. in Finance and Investment, and a M.A. in Public Government and Finance from Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Prior to his work career, Foti attended Oxford University in England where he read Law. He and his wife, M.J., reside in Greenwich, Conn.

Appointed MONY's Chief Investment Officer, Kenneth M. Levine, FSA, will be responsible for the company's investment operations, and will report directly to Roth. Levine joined MONY in 1972 as a technical assistant in the actuarial department. Rising through the ranks, he was appointed vice president of Group Pensions in 1981.

In 1988, he became senior vice president and head of Pensions Operations, and was promoted to executive vice president and head of Pensions Operations, and was promoted to executive vice president earlier this year. Levine earned his B.A. from Queens College. He is also a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries. He and his wife, Andrea, reside in River Vale, N.J., with their four children.

Senior vice president Tom A. Schlossberg has been designated to lead MONY's pension operations in Purchase, N.Y. He will be responsible for all customer service, marketing, systems and sales functions of this division. Schlossberg joined MONY in 1971 as a programmer trainee, was promoted to director of systems in 1979, assistant vice president in 1981, and vice president-Pension Adminstration in 1985.

Earlier this year, Schlossberg was named senior vice president. Schlossberg reports to Roth. Schlossberg earned his B.S. in mathematics from Boston University. He and his wife, Janis, reside in Stamford, Conn.

In business since 1843, Mutual Of New York (MONY) sold the nation's first mutual life insurance policy. Today, MONY has nearly $22 billion in assets under management, and is an industry leader in providing outstanding and innovative insurace, pension and investment products and services to more than one million policyholders and customers.

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LOS ANGELES, CA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - American Vanguard Corp. (NASDAQ:AMGD) Monday announced unaudited results for the third quarter and nine month periods ended September 30, 1990. Financial results for the prior year periods have been restated to reflect a discontinued operation.

Revenues from continuing operations for the third quarter of 1990 increased 17.5 percent to $6,239,500 from $5,309,800 one year earlier. There was a net loss from continuing operations in the current period of $51,300 or $.02 per share. In the third quarter of 1989, the Company had net income from continuing operations of $271,300 or $.12 per share.

For the nine months of 1990, revenues from continuing operations were $15,642,500 as compared to $15,492,400 in the same period the prior year. The net loss from continuing operations for the nine month period ended September 30, 1990 was $106,300 or $.05 per share. This compares to net income from continuing operations in the first nine months of 1989 of $1,185,100 or $.52 per share.

Start-up costs and expenses directly attributable to the PCNB plant operation during the quarter ended September 30, 1990 were approximately $825,000. The Company ceased capitalization of the expansion costs during the third quarter. All costs and expenses relating to the operating of this new facility are now charged directly to operations. There were no sales of PCNB during the third quarter.

Although the Company experienced a net loss for the current year period, the gross profit margin for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 remained unchanged as compared to the same period in 1989, despite the absorption of certain start-up and other costs relating to the PCNB plant expansion.

American Vanguard Corp., through its wholly-owned subsidiary AMVAC CHEMICAL, is a manufacturer and formulator of chemicals for crop, human and animal protection.

AMERICAN VANGUARD CORP.
Statements of Income
(Unaudited)

	Third Quarter Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$6,239,500	$5,309,800
Gross profit	2,167,500	1,925,900
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(51,300)	271,300
Discontinued operations:		
Income from discontinued segment (less applicable income taxes)	--	66,200

Gain on disposal of segment (less applicable income taxes	--	2,160,500
Income from Discontinued Operations	--	2,226,700
Net Income (loss)	$ (51,300)	$2,498,000
Per Share:		
Income (loss) from continuing operations	$ (.02)	$ .12
Income from Discontinued Operations	--	.98
Net Income (loss)	$ (.02)	$ 1.10
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	2,281,396	2,281,396

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$15,642,500	$15,492,400
Gross profit	5,741,400	5,720,500
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(106,300)	1,185,100
Discontinued operations:		
Income from discontinued segment (less applicable income taxes)	--	114,300
Gain on disposal of segment (less applicable income taxes)	--	2,160,500
Income from Discontinued Operations	--	2,274,800
Net Income (loss)	$ (106,300)	$ 3,459,900
Per Share:		
Income (loss) from continuing operations	$ (.05)	$ .52
Income from Discontinued Operations	--	1.00
Net Income (loss)	$ (.05)	$ 1.52
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	2,281,396	2,281,396

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BRIARCLIFF MANOR, NY (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc. has declared the dividend for the three-month period ending Dec. 15, on its Series B Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock in the amount of $1.00 per share.

The dividend is payable Dec. 15, to shareholders of record on Dec. 1. It will

be paid in shares of Common Stock of Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc., valued at 90 percent of the average closing price of the Common Stock over the fifteen trading days immediately preceding Dec. 1. The Series B Preferred Stock and the Common Stock of Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc. are listed on the New York Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange.

Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc. is an international leader in providing insurance and reinsurance brokerage, employee benefits consulting and risk management services.

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WINDLESHAM, ENGLAND (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The announcement of the preliminary results of The BOC Group, the gases and health care company, follows:

Salient points are:

-- Pre-tax profit up 6 percent

-- Earnings per share up 6 percent

-- 1991 dividend rate of 20.4p (40.0c) announced, an increase of 7 percent on 1990. Two equal payments of 10.2p (20.0c) are planned in February and August.

The BOC Group
Preliminary Announcement of Results
(unaudited)
for the year to September 30, 1990

Pre-tax profits of The BOC Group, the gases and health care company, were 354.3 million pounds sterling ($694.4mm) for the year to September 30, 1990, up by 6 percent from 333.4 million pounds sterling ($653.5mm) in 1989.

Earnings per share also rose by 6 percent to 51.28p (100.51c) and turnover (including share of related companies) rose by 7 percent to 2,802.0 million pounds sterling ($5491.9 mm). Richard Giordano, Chairman and Chief Executive of The BOC Group, commented: ''In the UK and the US, growth in both GDP and industrial activity, important bell-wethers of the prosperity of our business, slowed from high levels in September 1989 to their current levels of near stagnation. In the US, the major market for our health care products, there have been continued severe cost containment pressures on all health care expenditures. In this context The BOC Group has performed satisfactorily.''

The BOC Group, based in Windlesham, England and Murray Hill, N.J., is an international corporation with operations in more than 50 countries around the world. Its principal businesses are industrial gases, health care products and services, and high vacuum technology. BOC's business and trade names include Airco, Ohmeda, Anaquest, Glasrock Home Health Care, Transhield, Edwards High Vacuum, CIG, and Viggo-Spectramed.

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GREENBELT, MD. (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - COMNET Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol:CNET) Monday announced financial results for the second quarter and six months of fiscal year 1991.

For the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenue increased 13 percent to $6,178,000, compared with $5,446,000 reported for the comparable period a year earlier. Net earnings increased to $272,000, or 10 cents per share compared with $150,000, or 6 cents per share, the prior year.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenue was up 9 percent to $11,861,000, compared with $10,912,000 for the same period a year earlier. Net earnings increased 44 percent to $734,000, or 26 cents per share, compared with $511,000, or 19 cents per share, reported for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Commenting on these results, Robert Bowen, president and chief executive officer of COMNET Corp. said, ''We are most pleased with the year-to-year improvement in our second fiscal quarter, which is traditionally the company's weakest quarter of the year.

COMNET Corp. has three operating units in the computer software and services field:

o GROUP 1 SOFTWARE INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol:GSOF) is the leading provider of mainframe, midrange and microcomputer (PC) software to the direct marketing industry, to other volume mailers and to a broad range of organizations for general marketing application. GROUP 1 offer a broad range of list management, postal discount, mail personalization and demographic database software products. The company has offices throughout the United States and in Canada, and is represented in the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand.

o COM-MED Systems serves the nursing home industry and other areas of the

long-term health care market with computerized management and operations support systems.

o AIM Division provides computer services for direct marketing clients, plus customized grpahics, forms design, laser and LED printing, PARM predictive modeling and on-Demand Printing.

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AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Citizens Inc. (NASDAQ:CINNA), a life insurance holding company based in Austin, reported that net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30 was $315,976 or 3 cents per share compared with $366,757, or 3 cents per share for the 1989 third quarter.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 increased 58.1 percent over the same period of 1990 (to $5,458,916 from $3,452,539) as a result of a 54.3 percent increase in premium income. Realized losses on investments of $39,399 were incurred in the third quarter of 1990 vs. realized gains of $82,805 for the same period in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $1,032,459, or 7 cents per share compared to a net loss of $716,161 or 5 cents per share for the same period in 1989. The 1989 loss was impacted by a $608,564 loss related to the foreclosure of a note receivable.

Revenue for the nine month period in 1990 was $14,231,118 compared to $10,662,614 for the same period in 1989, an increase of 33.4 percent. Premium income was $11,660,248 and $8,528,247, respectively, for the same periods.

An extraordinary income item of $422,409, or 3 cents per share was realized in 1990 through the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards.

Cash flows provided by operations for the nine months period in 1990 were $2,006,423, compared to a use of $283,675 for the prior year.

Stockholders' equity at Sept 30, 1990 was $7,510,703, representing a 15.4 percent increase since Dec. 31, 1989. Total assets grew to $58,728,018 from $54,431,278 at Dec. 31, 1989

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SARASOTA, FL (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Elcotel, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: ECTL), manufacturer of public communications products, Monday announced results of operations for the second quarter and six months ended September 30, 1990.

Net operating revenues for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 were $2,004,000, compared to $1,840,000 one year ago, and first half operating revenues were $4,731,000, down from $5,290,000 for the first six months of fiscal 1990.

A net loss was incurred for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 1990, of $197,000, or $.04 per share, as compared to a net loss of $416,000, or $.08 per share, for the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

A net loss was incurred for the current first half of $409,000, or $.08 per share, as compared to a net loss of $310,000, or $.06 per share, for the first half of fiscal 1990.

The company also announced that C. Shelton James would become the fourth independent member of its six-man Board of Directors on November 28, 1990. Mr. James is Executive Vice President of Fundamental Management Corporation which holds approximately five percent of the Company's outstanding shares.

Mr. James was Executive Vice President of Gould, Inc., and President of its Computer Systems Division, from 1980-1989. Previously he was Vice President of Finance of Systems Engineering Laboratories from 1969 until 1980.

George C. Pierce, Chief Executive Officer, commented: "The company continues to experience relatively weak demand for its pay phone products. Call processors for the hospitality industry, as well as recently released coinless phones and public facsimile machines, however, are beginning to make meaningful contributions to revenues and earnings.

"The addition of Shelton James to our Board brings related high technology experience which should prove invaluable in assisting the company in its future growth."

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#90316b0859 11/12/1990 ~Business Wire
UNION, N.J. (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Transnet Corp. (NASDAQ:TRNT), a leading dealer of personal computers, peripheral and related equipment, service and supplies, Monday announced results for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30

1990.

First quarter revenues of $6,793,858 soared 215 percent over the $2,158,175 for the similar quarter last year, a record for any quarter. Much of this revenue growth is due to an expanded product line, greater purchasing discounts and expanded sales and marketing efforts associated with the acquisition of Round Valley Computer Center Inc. in March of 1990.

The corporation reported a loss before provision for income taxes of $109,430 down significantly from the loss of $192,720 in the first quarter of fiscal 1989. The net loss of $109,430, or 2 cents per share compares to a net loss of $115,720, or 2 cents per share for the same quarter a year ago.

Steven J. Wilk, president of Transnet Corp., stated, ''We are pleased to report that our first fiscal quarter is the second consecutive quarter of record revenues.

''In addition, we feel confident that we will realize futher cost savings as we complete the consolidation of the two companies.

''While we experienced strong demand for our products during July and August, September's demand was affected by advance announcements of new products which caused some customers to defer their orders, awaiting new product availability.

''Those orders are now being received at gratifying levels and we optimistically look forward to the remainder of fiscal 1991.''

Transnet Corp. and Subsidiaries
Financial Hightlights
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 6,793,858	$ 2,158,175
Loss before provision for income taxes	(109,430)	(192,720)
Net loss	(109,430)	(115,720)
Loss per share	$ (.02)	$ (.02)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	5,066,804	4,891,804

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - A leader in the design, installation and operations of private data communications networks for over two decades, BBN Communications Monday announced it is moving to strengthen this position by providing open network platforms and management systems upon which oranizations can base their mission critical network applications for the 1990s.

The company announced a series of strategic and product measures designed to retain a leadership position in the packet switching marketplace and capture significant marketshare in the emerging market for broadband network technology. It specifically stated it will continue to offer products for X.25 and SNA networks and LAN internetworks, it will expand its network management capabilities, and begin to provide products during 1992 for broadband networks.

According to Jeffrey H. Palmer, BBN Communications vice president marketing and planning, ''BBN Communications has always provided users with complete system solutions that tie together the major investments they have made in premises equipment while controlling their carrier services expenses. With today's announcements, BBN is commiting to extend its heritage in classic packet switching. The company will continue to offer users high availability networking for all data traffic.''

Palmer said the company intends to accomplish this over the next two years via specific product initiatives that will:

o Provide support for T1 and Frame Relay on its new high end T/300 Packet Switching Node;

o Introduce a new generation network management system by integrating internally developed tools and applications on Digital's EMA network management architecture;

o Release a new concentrator designed to offer lower cost, higher performance access to X.25 and SNA users;

o Offer additional functionality on its family of internet packet routers;

o Develop a next generation cell relay-based broadband switch.

BNN Communications believes that during the 1990s, organizations will continue to increase their reliance on communications to support their business operations. What's more, the company believes the emphasis increasingly will be placed upon data communications, given the challenges of moving to applications requiring higher speeds and the adoption of new standards. The

products announced today reflect this belief.

A division of Bolt Beranek and Newman Inc., BBN Communications designs and builds private wide-area communications networks for commercial, government and international organizations. The company also provides network consulting, management, and other professional services. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1990, Bolt Beranek and Newman had sales of $262 million.

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COPIAGUE, NY (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - TII Industries Inc. (ASE:TI) announced Monday that sales for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 (ended Sept. 28, 1990) increased to $8,151,000, a 58 percent increase from sales of $5,154,000 reported during the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

The sales increase represents a recovery of sales to levels more consistent with those levels experienced prior to the business interruptions in 1989 caused by Hurricane Hugo at the company's Puerto Rico facility, as well as strikes at several Regional Bell Operating Companies, principal customers of the company.

Cost of sales as a percent of sales improved to 78.3 percent in the three months ended Sept. 28, 1990 vs. 103 percent in the three months ended Sept. 29 1989.

Operating loss and net loss was reduced to $259,000 and $592,000 during this period vs. losses of $2,135,000 and $2,486,000 respectively in the comparable period last year.

TII Industries Inc., with executive offices and R&D facilities in Copiague, and manufacturing facilities in Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic and Haiti, is a high technology company specializing in the design, manufacture and sale of telephone network interface and protection products, surge protection and specialized electronic devices, principally for use in the telecommunications and computer industries.

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#90316b0868 11/12/1990 ~Business Wire
PISCATAWAY, N.J. (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Rheometrics Inc. (NASDAQ:RHEM), a manufacturer of sophisticated materials testing instruments and systems,

Monday reported revenues of $2.6 million and a net loss for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 ending Sept. 30.

First quarter revenues were lower than the $4.9 million reported in the same period last year. The company incurred a loss of $2.1 million (69 cents per share), vs. a loss of $499,000 (16 cents per share) for the comparative quarter in FY 1990.

Dr. Joseph M. Starita, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''We anticipated lower sales activity in this quarter because the previous quarter's sales were exceptionally high, which significantly reduced our backlog for the beginning of this fiscal year. We are experiencing a recovery in second quarter sales revenue.''

Starita also noted that ''the lower gross profit margin and higher net loss resulted from operating inefficiencies caused by the reduced volume.''

The company continues to expand its product offerings and has recently announced the introduction of the Fluids Analyzer (RFX), a new laboratory instrument that measures the extensional and high shear viscosities of fluids. Starita said that ''the company anticipates additional revenue gains from the new RFX instrument during this fiscal year.''

Rheometrics Inc. manufactures sophisticated rheological instruments for the plastics, coatings, food, biomedical and adhesives industries.

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NEWPORT, KY (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Clifford R. Borland, president of NS Group Inc. (NYSE:NSS), announced the following organizational change effective Nov. 12, 1990:

Charles ''Chuck'' C. Hanebuth has been hired as president and chief operating officer of Kentucky Electric Steel Corp. Hanebuth replaces Paul C. Borland Jr. who was recently promoted to president and chief operating officer of Koppel Steel Corp.

Hanebuth brings to Kentucky Electric Steel 23 years of steelmaking and manufacturing experience and knowledge. His most recent position was vice president of ELCOR, a New York Stock Exchange company and president of Chromium Corp., a subsidiary of ELCOR.

He also spent 12 years as a metallurgist with the iron and steel division of Interlake Inc. Hanebuth holds a metallurgical engineering degree from Colorado School of Mines.

NS Group Inc. is a holding company that owns five major operating subsidiaries: Newport Steel Corp., a welded tubular steel producer; Koppel Steel Corp., a seamless tubular and bar steel producer; Kentucky Electric Steel Corp., a producer of steel bars; Erlanger Tubular Corp., a processor of tubular products; and Imperial Adhesives Inc., an adhesives manufacturer.

NS Group Inc.'s common stock (symbol: NSS) is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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#90316b0874 11/12/1990 ~Business Wire

COPIAGUE, N.Y. (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - TII Industries Inc., (ASE: TI) announced Monday that it has received from Ameritech Services, its third consecutive quarterly award for Outstanding Vendor Performance.

These awards were granted to TII under Ameritech Services' Supplier Management Program which measures its vendors' performance in the areas of quality, on time delivery, responsiveness to customer requests and technical and administrative support.

Ameritech Services, a large customer of TII, is the planning company for the five Ameritech Bell Companies: Illinois Bell, Indiana Bell, Michigan Bell, Ohio Bell and Wisconsin Bell.

Ameritech Services provides centralized purchasing and material management for the Ameritech Bell Companies, in addition to marketing, technical and regulatory support.

TII supplies a variety of products under contract to Ameritech Services including overvoltage station protectors, network interface devices and station electronics.

TII Industries Inc., with executive offices and R&D facilities in Copiague and plants in Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic and Haiti, is a high technology company specializing in the design, manufacture and sale of telephone network interface and protection products, surge protection and specialized electronic devices, principally for use in the telecommunications and computer industries.

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MILWAUKEE (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Power Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:APWRA) declared a quarterly dividend of 3 cents per share on Class A and Class B common shares payable on Nov. 30, to shareholders of record on Nov. 20.

The company also announced that the board of directors had authorized the purchase of up to 250,000 shares of Applied Power Inc. Class A Common Stock during each company fiscal year. This authorization provides the company with flexibility over time for making stock available for various stock incentive plans either through issuance of additional Class A Common Stock or through purchases of then outstanding stock.

Applied power is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the APWRA symbol. Applied Power is a global company engaged in the businesses of providing tools, equipment, components, systems and consumable products to a wide variety of end users in the manufacturing, construction, transportation, aerospace, defense and natural resources industries. Approximately half of the company's revenues and assets are outside of the United States.

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HARTFORD, CONN (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Advest Group Inc. announced that to date, it has accumulated a total of 413,300 shares of stock under its previously announced buy back program.

On Aug. 16, 1990, the company's board of directors authorized and announced the plan to repurchase up to 2 million shares of stock.

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MARLBOROUGH, MA (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Sequoia Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: SEQS) said Monday that it presently expects its revenues for the second fiscal quarter of fiscal 1991 ending Dec. 31, to be below analysts' estimates of $15 million, but ahead of the comparable fiscal 1990 quarter, when revenues were $9.6 million.

Due to the revenue shortfall, profits for the quarter are expected to be below analysts' estimates of 14 cents to 16 cents per share and more in line with the 11 cents per share reported for the comparable quarter of fiscal 1990 when fewer shares were outstanding.

The company said revenues will be off because of lower-than expected revenue from Sequoia's principal distribution partner in the Pick marketplace, the Ultimate Corp.

Gabriel P. Fusco, Sequoia's chairman and chief executive officer, said that ''demand from Sequoia's other OEM's, distributors and our direct business remains strong. Sequoia has recently established plans and added resources focussed on achieving a higher level of direct sales, both to the UNIX and Pick markets, which benefits our gross margins and profits, but the trend toward more direct sales will not create enough immediate volume to offset the revenue shortfall in the present quarter.''

Sequoia Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:SEQS) designs, manufactures and markets fault-tolerant computer systems to serve on-line transaction processing (OLTP) needs. Sequoia's systems have an open architecture adhering to industry standards and a UNIX-based operating system.

The company also offers the Pick Open Architecture operating system and provides on-line services and maintenance support to its worldwide customer base. Major customers include manufacturers, distributors, banks and financial institutions, insurance companies, telecommunications operations, and federal agencies. Sequoia has shipped over 130 systems to 100 customers in the United States and nine other countries.

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#90316b0894 11/12/1990 ~Business Wire

MILWAUKEE (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Milwaukee Insurance Group Inc. (OTC:MILW) Monday reported a third quarter net loss of $1,018,000 or 33 cents per share compared to net income of $755,000, or 25 cents per share for the like period last year.

The nine-month 1990 net loss was $1,341,000, or 44 cents per share vs. nine-month 1989 net income of $2,999,000, or 98 cents per share.

Included in net income are pre-tax realized losses of $7,000 for the third quarter of 1990 compared to gains of $49,000, or 2 cents per share for the

third quarter of 1989 and $131,000, or 4 cents per share for the first nine-months of 1990 compared to $57,000, or 2 cents per share for the like period of 1989. Property-Casualty Insurance

Milwaukee Insurance Group Inc.'s property-casualty insurance segment produced a net loss of $1,149,000, or 37 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990 compared to net income of $467,000, or 15 cents per share in the corresponding period of 1989.

''Premium rates on our personal auto policies were increased early in the year and will begin to impact earnings in the fourth quarter,'' said Robert W. Doucette, president and chairman of Milwaukee Insurance Group Inc. ''The sizable increase in medical costs and automobile repairs continues to be the Achilles heal of the personal automobile business.

The life insurance segment of Milwaukee Insurance Group Inc. contributed net income of $131,000, or 4 cents per share during the third quarter of 1990 compared to $288,000, or 10 cents per share in the corresponding period of 1989.

Milwaukee Insurance Group Inc. provides property and casualty insurance through two subsidiaries, Milwaukee Guardian Insurance Inc. and Milwaukee Safeguard Insurance Co.; and life insurance through its subsidiary, Milwaukee Life Insurance Co. It is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol MILW.

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John A. Weitzel, 414/271-0525.

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#90316b0895 11/12/1990 ~Business Wire

LAS VEGAS (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - United Gaming Inc. (NASDAQ:UGAM) Monday announced that revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, rose 17 percent to $22,454,000, compared with $19,250,000 during the first quarter of 1989. However, the company reported a net loss of $8,836,000, or a loss of 95 cents per share, compared with net income of $1,528,000, or 18 cents per share, during the same period last year.

The weighted average number of shares outstanding for the quarter was 9,295,000, while the weighted average number of shares outstanding for 1989 was 8,512,000. At September 30, United Gaming's book value was $3.72 per share.

The loss consists of pre-tax, non-recurring charges of $12,816,000. These charges will substantially complete the successful financial reorganization of the company which began in early September when a new senior management team was appointed.

The company reported that Heritage Hotel Limited Partnership I terminated United Gaming's lease for the casino, restaurant and bar portions of the Chaparral Hotel & Casino project.

The lease was terminated by Heritage because United Gaming had not received the gaming approvals necessary to operate the casino by Aug. 16, a condition necessary to retain the lease. Of the $12.8 million pre-tax write-off, $6,858,000 is attributable to the Chaparral lease termination.

The remaining $5,958,000 in non-recurring pre-tax charges includes charges related to a valuation adjustment of certain gaming equipment held in inventory; the costs of discontinuing certain route expansion commitments; an increase in bad debt reserves; employee severance pay; and, a change in accounting for certain items that were previously capitalized which will now be expensed.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Alfred H. Wilms, stated, ''The company intends to pursue recovery of the value of the investment.'' Commenting on the financial results, Wilms stated, ''The immediate effect of the reorganization is a temporary and non-recurring negative impact to our earnings. It has not changed our overall operating and market strengths.

United Gaming maintains its market leadership position as Nevada's largest gaming machine route operator. In addition to its gaming machine route operations, the company also manufactures and sells gaming devices and is the operator of a casino and three gaming arcades in Nevada.

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by
Dewe Rogerson Inc., New York
Joseph N. Jaffoni or Matthew J. Harrington, 212/688-6840.

-30- 2819

#90316b0899 11/12/1990 ~Business Wire

MELBOURNE, Australia, (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Nov. 12, 1990, The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited (NYSE:BHP), announced today that it has accepted the offer of one Newmont Australia share for two BHP Gold shares in respect of all of BHP's 54.9 percent holding in BHP Gold.

Assuming a 100 percent acceptance of the offer by BHP Gold shareholders, BHP will hold a 23 percent interest in the newly merged company.

BHP Directors in deciding to accept the offer, have noted the new company will be the largest pure gold company in Australia and among the top fifteen gold

companies in the world. Its anticipated production of gold in 1991 is about 750,000 ounces. The merged company has the capacity and the stated intention to pay regular dividends. The BHP Directors believe the combined expertise and experience of the existing managements of Newmont Australia and BHP Gold will further strengthen the new company.

BHP has undertaken a broad program of due diligence covering all major technical, legal and financial matters and is satisfied that the merger will provide the opportunity to strengthen its current investment in the Australian gold industry. BHP is making its decision known so that BHP Gold shareholders will be aware of its attitude prior to the closing date of Newmont's offer on November 26, 1990.

The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited is an international resources company with three principal lines of business: oil and natural gas, minerals, and steel. Headquartered in Melbourne, it operates on six continents. U.S. operations are headquartered in San Francisco, Calif.

CONTACT: Broken Hill Proprietary Co. Ltd., San Francisco
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U.S. Investor Relations.

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#90316b0906 11/12/1990 ~Business Wire

AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Healthcare International Inc. (ASE PSE:HII), Monday announced that that it has received a demand for payment from HealthVest for the indebtedness which accrued between March 1, 1990 and Oct. 31, 1990, under the standstill agreement between the two companies.

Healthcare said HealthVest has also demanded payment for past due rentals due November 1 under certain leases between it, Healthcare, and subsidiaries of Healthcare and under certain guarantees by Healthcare, after application of the $2.9 million payment made by Healthcare during November.

HealthVest, in its demand, noted that all leases between it, Healthcare and subsidiaries of Healthcare contain cross-default provisions.

As was announced last week, the standstill agreement between the two companies as extended, expired on Oct. 31. The companies had reached an impasse in negotiations regarding an interim restructuring of the obligations of Healthcare and its subsidiaries to HealthVest.

Jean P. Smith, Healthcare's president, said that the principal unresolved issues between the parties involve the terms of a deferral note to be executed by Healthcare to evidence unpaid rent and interest payments owed to Healthvest.

She said that specific unresolved issues include the maturity date of the note

the collateral for the note, and the extent to which the note will include rental amounts that have not yet accrued under the leases. Smith indicated that discussions with HealthVest are continuing.

Healthcare International provides a wide range of health care products and services to both local and national markets through 21 facilities in 4 states. The company's class A common stock is listed for trading on the American and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol HII.

CONTACT: Corporate Communications Inc., Nashville, Tenn.
Patrick J. Watson, 615/254-3376

-30- 2101
#90316c0002 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 1 1990, Videocart Inc.(TICKER: VCRT) appointed Arthur Andersen & Co. as its independent accountants, replacing Grant Thornton.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

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#90316c0004 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 30, 1990, the board of directors of Conquest Ventures Inc. approved an agreement concerning its wholly-owned subsidiary, Hotshots High Fashion Photography Inc.

The agreement provides that Conquest would trasnfer all of the common stock of Hotshots to Michael Hammersmith and David J. Louy in exchange for 308 million shares of Conquest's common stock held by these persons.

The agreement also provides that Messrs. Hammersmith and Louy as well as H. Gil Kveen, Jr. will resign as officers and directors of Conquest on the acquisition of another business by Conquest.

On Oct. 26, 1990, the agreement was approved by Conquest's shareholders.

Having now completed the divestiture of Hotshots, Conquest intends to search for business opportunities in an effort to complete a business combination

with another business.

However, Conquest reports it presently has no cash and approximately $6,000 in liabilities.

The company's executive office is located at 72840 Highway 111, Suite 199, Palm Desert, CA 92260 and its telephone number is (619) 341-5602.

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#90316c0005 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 1 1990, Bogen Corp.(TICKER: BOGN) appointed Paneth Haber and Zimmerman as its independent accountants, replacing Grant Thornton.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion.

However, the report for the most recent fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989 was qualified as to the realization of assets and liquidation of liabilities in the normal course of business.

The report further stated that Bogen's ability to continue in business is dependent upon its increasing sales volume, developing new products and increasing gross profit.

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#90316c0006 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Oct. 1, 1990, Hygolet Brill Inc.(TICKER: HYGO) was merged with and into Teal Venture Corp.

In connection with the merger, Teal Venture, as the surviving corporation, changed its name to Brill Hygienic Products Inc. to better reflect the expanded nature of its business.

In this regard, Brill Hygienic Products has recently begun marketing Fort Howard toilet paper and ancillary bathroom products such as paper towels and soap.

These products are in addition and complement the existing patented Hygolet toilet seat marketed and distributed by the company in Florida.

The company's executive office is located at 2885 South Congress Ave., Delray Beach, Florida 33445 and its telephone number is (407) 278-5600.

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#90316c0007 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 20, 1990, S&T Bancorp Inc.'s board of directors approved the purchase of up to 150,000 shares of its common stock as treasury stock at a price not to exceed $32.00 per share.

S&T Bancorp's executive office is located at P.O. Box 190, 800 Philadelphia Street, Indiana, PA 15701 and its telephone number is (412) 349-2900.

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#90316c0008 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 22, 1990, Great American Industries Inc. entered into an agreement with the subsidiaries of RBX Holdings Inc.

Pursuant to the agreement, Great American will sell the assets of Rubatex Corp., Groendyk Manufacturing Co. Inc., Universal Rubber O., Rubatex Polymer Inc., Bondtex Inc., and Waltex Corp., all subsidiaries of Great American, at a purchase price of $76,639,250.

Great American's executive office is located at 300 Plaza Drive, Binghamton, NY 13903 and its telephone number is (607) 729-3475.

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#90316c0009 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Technology 80 Inc.(TICKER: TKAT) announced that James E. Andreasen, president and chief operating officer, and Henry Chapek, chairman, have left their positions with the company.

Mr. Andreasen and Mr. Chapek also resigned their seats on the company's board of directors.

The company's executive office is located at 658 Mendelssohn Ave. North, Golden Valley, MN 55427 and its telephone number is (612) 542-9545.

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#90316c0010 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:09 that trade in

Vanfed Bancorp. (NASDAQ: VANF) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 9 1/4. The company is located in Vancouver, Washington.

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#90316c0012 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - Lidak Pharmaceuticals - Cl C Wts 5/26/96 (LDAKZ) began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 8.

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#90316c0013 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 9 due to insufficient No. of active market makers:

Consulier Engineering - 1991 Wts (CSLRW)
PNC Financial Corp. - 1993 Wts (PNCFW)

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#90316c0014 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - KCR Technology Inc. (KCRT) underwent a symbol change to (KCRTQ) effective Nov. 9.

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#90316c0015 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Doughtie's Foods Inc.(TICKER: DOBQ).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 29,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$20,342,067	$18,112,327
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$71,858	$207,359
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$0.20
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,031,957	1,031,957

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 29, 1990	Dec. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,813,519	$17,267,695

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,735,018	$8,609,150

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#90316c0016 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Financial Banking Companies Inc. (TICKER: UFBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(199,887)	$801,018
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.20)	$0.79
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,007,298	1,008,186

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$62,988,422	$78,071,191
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,171,245	$13,205,204

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#90316c0017 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Haverfield Corp.(TICKER: HVFD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$369,000	$250,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.32	$0.11

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$306,206,000	$326,397,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,315,000	$15,810,000

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#90316c0018 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bonray Drilling Corp.(TICKER: BNRY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,908,000	$1,090,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(173,000)	$(254,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.41)	$(0.60)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	423,540	423,540

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$21,049,000	$21,364,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,597,000	$15,770,000

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#90316c0020 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
By MARCIE RASMUSSEN

HONOLULU (NOV. 12) UPI - A long way from the little grass shack of fabled Hawaii, the world's most expensive beach house is made of ocean-proof marble trimmed in copper and bronze and built to last forever.

The three-bedroom, 30,000-square-foot edifice is perched over a scenic rocky surfers' cove, beneath the brow of Diamond Head - not on the familiar Waikiki side, but on the opposite flank, home to movie stars and reclusive millionaires.

It lists for $60 million, and it's ready for immediate occupancy.

The neighborhood is Black Point, one of the most exclusive in Honolulu, a city where even modest districts are pricey and the median price of a home runs upwards of $350,000.

Besides location, the estate has amenities, amenities, amenities. For starters there's the million-dollar front entry, with bronze doors that weigh a ton -

literally.

And, of course, there's the Christmas-present wrapping room, a 1,200-square-foot closet that Imelda Marcos could envy, in the 10,000-square- foot master suite.

There are reproductions of 4th century B.C. mosaics on hallway ceilings, a priceless Baccarat chandelier, a Lalique table in the breakfast nook and fanciful murals of birds and flowers sprinkled throughout.

It is the dream house of one of America's most noted contemporary developers, Christopher Hemmeter, who gave Hawaii the modern fantasy resort - Hyatt Regency Hotels in Waikoloa, Waikiki and Maui, Westin Hotels in Kauai and Maui - then found the reception increasingly mixed.

After 30 years in Hawaii, Hemmeter recently moved to Southern California without ever spending a single night in his palace by the sea.

So the home, which Hemmeter calls ''Kaiko'o'' for its locale (the Hawaiian word means ''strong seas''), is for sale.

It was first shown during the summer to realtors who drive Rolls Royces and deal with the high-rolling Japanese market. They predicted the residence would go in a flash to the ''right'' buyer who will see it once, make a snap decision, and then try to get to Hawaii once in a while to enjoy it.

At more than $1,500 per square foot, it ''is probably the most expensive home ever built in America, and possibly the world,'' Hemmeter said.

''What we wanted was to outdo Hearst Castle (at San Simeon in California), which we studied for almost a year before we designed this house - just to make sure we were the next generation beyond it.''

With such sky's-the-limit goals, Hemmeter as master designer, a team of architects, project manager Ken Goldblatt and legions of craftsmen and artisans from all over the globe spared no expense.

For those who have ever cursed the shoddy workmanship and lack of pride in most new construction, this is indeed what Hemmeter calls ''a work of art.''

Deferred maintenance isn't likely to be a problem. Hemmeter says he ''built the house to give it an infinite life, even though it's on the ocean. Nothing in the house can corrode.''

A bewildering array of rare marbles and granites, fine woods and metals, etched gold-leafed glass and mirrors was fashioned with Old World care into elaborate moldings, polished floors and glittering walls.

Hemmeter and his wife Patsy designed the rooms by ''scripts'' - the master suite's ''his'' bathroom, for example, is made of fine burled wood intended to evoke the masculine richness of a Dunhill cigar box.

Systems for heating, cooling and purifying air take up a whole room, along with enough electronic gadgetry to require an operations manual for hapless owners who might forget how to turn on the switchless lights and where to find the 28 invisible telephones.

To provide a cozy atmosphere in eternally balmy Hawaii, there are fireplaces with firewood imported from Aspen ''so it wouldn't spark and it has that nice smell,'' said Hemmeter.

The house has a lighthearted spirit, despite enough works of art, collected for the Hemmeters by interior designer Steve Chase of Rancho Mirage, Calif., to qualify it as a museum.

It is set up to accommodate dozens upon dozens of guests for formal and informal gatherings, with various salons and lounges, an elaborate theater with plush couches for movies and TV and a computerized sound system.

The property fronts 350 feet of the sparkling Pacific, with views that overwhelm the man-made interiors.

There is a grotto-styled pool, complete with waterfalls and a cave lit by electronically controlled torches. Tropical palms framing the seascape are equipped with night lights that cast a moonlit glow, whether the moon is shining or not.

Nothing has been left to chance - except perhaps the missing buyer, still at large somewhere in the world.

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#90316c0021 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Arkla Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ALG. Trading was resumed at 9:55.

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#90316c0022 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Diversified Energies Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol DEI. Trading was resumed at 9:55.

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#90316c0023 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:13 that trade in Vanfed Bancorp.(NASDAQ: VANF) has been resumed. The first sale was 15 1/2; up 6 1/4 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90316c0024 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:34 that trade in Stuarts Department Stores (NASDAQ: STUS) has been resumed. The first sale was 5/8; down 3/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90316c0025 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Great Western Systems Inc.(TICKER: GWSQ).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,551,852	$1,491,067
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$96,270	$39,200
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$240,674	$73,809
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,104,183	8,574,183

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,337,829	$3,436,910
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$1,800,436	$1,386,251

-30- 1064

#90316c0026 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 29, 1990, the board of directors of Grist Mill (TICKER: GRST) authorized the repurchase of up to 100,000 shares of the company's common stock in the open market.

The company indicated the purchases would be discretionary depending upon the price of the company's common stock.

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#90316c0028 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Savings Bank, F.A.(TICKER: USBK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$256,472	$273,974
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.21	$0.22

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$93,660,003	$91,767,758
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,770,939	$18,841,501

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#90316c0029 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Dyna Group International Inc.(TICKER: DGIX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,283,651	$1,741,129
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$359,921
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$20,838	$361,739
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.05
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,179,114	$7,906,267

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,619,323	$4,799,886
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,592,581	$1,537,511

-30- 1042
#90316c0030 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Ask Corp.(TICKER: ASKC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$134,018	$182,537
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,997,313)	$(2,747,678)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.15)	$(0.19)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	19,726,202	14,194,257

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,773,993	$8,597,028
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,672,867	$6,171,992

-30- 1006
#90316c0031 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Highlander International Corp.(TICKER: HGHR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,155,952	$1,670,633
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(1,000,000)	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$340,519	$(570,922)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.11	$(0.20)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,975,459	2,925,459

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,372,137	$9,683,500
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,657,167	$7,316,676

-30- 1052

#90316c0032 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by National Transaction Network Inc.(TICKER: NTNI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$838,776	$485,689
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(539,157)	$(509,811)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.09)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	20,698,390	5,917,517

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,478,192	2,236,822
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$(95,224)	$1,185,001

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#90316c0033 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Applied Microbiology Inc.(TICKER: APLY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$49,396	$128,937
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(488,653)	$(481,017)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.07)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,641,461	$2,348,388
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,380,232	$2,230,273

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#90316c0034 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Biosearch Medical Products Inc.(TICKER: BMPI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,749,000	$2,713,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(30,000)	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(285,000)	$(865,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,842,294	6,018,111

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,410,618	$8,660,921
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$574,811	$(600,998)

-30- 1087

#90316c0036 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Eastover Corp.(TICKER: EAST).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$350,000	$646,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(104,000)	$(11,000)

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$64,000	$(157,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$(0.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,144,000	1,144,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$21,184,000	$21,722,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,498,000	$16,873,000

-30- 1041

#90316c0037 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by New Sky Communications Inc.(TICKER: NSKY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(85,439)	$(36,161)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,221,698	$4,523,177
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,198,218	$4,468,607

The company develops movie properties and says it expects to report revenues from two films, "Lady in White" and "Grave Secrets", during the next two quarters.

The company's executive office is located at Suite 300, One West Main Street, Rochester, NY 14614 and its telephone number is (716) 325-7100.

-30- 1285
#90316c0038 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest annual report filed at the NASD by Wausau Paper Mills Co.(TICKER: WSAU).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$339,935,000	$317,097,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$15,870,000	$20,912,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$2.62	$3.46

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$216,527,000	$178,086,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$104,382,000	$92,411,000

-30- 966
#90316c0039 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Gulf & Mississippi Corp.(TICKER: GMSR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
INTEREST INCOME	$21,355	$17,835
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$12,726	$(25,625)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,216,428	$1,205,464

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,196,365	$1,183,639

-30- 970

#90316c0040 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Rice Inc.(TICKER: RICE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$44,900	$42,535,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$478,000	$(69,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$117,963,000	$134,094,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$24,689,000	$24,410,000

-30- 946

#90316c0041 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Wiser Oil Co.(TICKER: WISE) and Subsidiaries.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,343,000	$10,265,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,194,000	$1,641,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.13	$0.18
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,033,000	9,033,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$106,700,000	$105,632,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$92,083,000	$91,622,000

-30- 1050

#90316c0042 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by GBC Bancorp.(TICKER: GBCB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,362,000	$2,760,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.62	$0.52

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$703,104,000	$536,847,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$51,852,000	$43,549,000

-30- 793

#90316c0044 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sonex Research Inc.(TICKER: SONX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,432	$1,167
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(364,376)	$(367,453)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.05)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,146,595	8,111,427

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,743,042	$2,534,404
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,018,226	$1,927,151

Sonex is a development stage company which has developed and acquired technology which controls the combustion of fuel in engines.

The company's executive office is located at 23 Hudson Street, Annapolis, MD 21401 and its telephone number is (301) 266-5566.

-30- 1282

#90316c0045 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 1 1990, Great Western Systems Inc.(TICKER: GWSI) reached final agreement with Global Rent A Car Inc. on the Rent A Car business in Arizona.

Pursuant to the agreement, Global Rent A Car became licensee of all of the state of Arizona and Great Western will retain as its' operating subsidiaries All American Reservation Systems and its' Auto Action Business.

-30- 605

#90316c0046 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Hunter Industrial Facilities Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,000	$10,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(216,000)	$(4,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	27,347,00	25,907,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$6,941,000	$6,157,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,621,000	$3,051,000

The company is a development stage firm and is seeking to obtain necessary permits for the development of a facility which will utilize underground salt dome caverns for the deposit of hazardous waste.

The company's executive office is located at 2960 Post Road, Southport, CT 06490 and its telephone number is (203) 255-8777.

-30- 1385

#90316c0047 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 26, 1990, GC International Inc. and its subsidiaries filed a joint plan of reorganization as debtor-in-possession under Chapter 11 of the Federal bankruptcy code.

The filing was made in the U.S. bankruptcy court, central district of California.

GC International's wholly-owned subsidiaries include GCI/Aero Inc. and Apollo Masters Corp.

GC International's executive office is located at 156 Burns Ave., Atherton, California 94027 and its telephone number is (415) 322-8449.

-30- 716

#90316c0048 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Allstate Financial Corp.(TICKER: ASFN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,604,376	$1,354,396
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$558,727	$335,354

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.28	$0.20
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,025,000	1,653,261

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$24,099,826	$12,490,198
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,402,071	$7,817,492

-30- 1015

#90316c0049 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:28 that trade in Traditional Industries Inc.(NASDAQ: TRAD) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7/16. The company is located in Agoura Hills, California.

-30- 370

#90316c0050 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:01 that trade in Erie Lackawanna Inc.(NASDAQ: ERIE) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 41 1/2. The company is located in Cleveland, Ohio.

-30- 348

#90316c0052 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Commerce Group Corp.(TICKER: CGCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$17,975	$19,166
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1)	$(5,356)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,775,436	3,377,793

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$11,201,178	$10,261,844

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,994,151	$7,326,174

The company is in a mining pre-production stage consisting of site preparation and obtaining financing for the San Sebastian Gold Mine, which is located near the city of Santa Rosa de Lima in El Salvador.

-30- 1240

#90316c0053 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Gateway Fed Corp.(TICKER: GATW).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$749,000	$561,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.38	$0.29
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,955,000	1,955,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$633,507,000	$627,093,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$34,469,000	$32,589,000

-30- 861

#90316c0054 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 29, 1990, Digital Solutions (TICKER: DGSI) acquired all of the issued and outstanding capital stock of X-L Technical Corp.

The stock was acquired from J. Gerald Byrnes and Donald Adler in exchange for 300,000 shares of Digital's authorized and unissued common stock.

X-L is primarily engaged in the business of providing contract personnel to businesses in the metropolitan New York and New Jersey area.

-30- 629

#90316c0055 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B.W. LYNCH OF 541 MAIN ST #410, S. WEYMOUTH, MA 02190, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,500 SHARES OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO.(TICKER: SDEV) THROUGH ADAMS HARKNESS & HILL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 5, 1990.

(SOFTWARE DEVELOPER'S CO. TEL: 617 337-0877)

-30- 428
#90316c0056 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVESTMENTS LUND OF 9055 EVERGREEN BLVD, COON RAPIDS, MINNESOTA 55433, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,312 SHARES OF TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. THROUGH JOHN G. KINNARD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(TIEMPO EQUITIES INC. TEL: 612 545-1000)

-30- 417
#90316c0057 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M. JENEANE C TRUST OF 70 WEST CANYON CREST RD, SUITE D, ALPINE, UT 84004 HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN CONSOLIDATED MINING CO. THROUGH WASATCH STOCK TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 5, 1990.

(AMERICAN CONSOLIDATED MINING CO. TEL: 801 785-7536)

-30- 469
#90316c0058 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by McCormick Capital Inc.(TICKER: MKOR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,054,879	$2,590,954
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$100,023	$(23,885)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$51,390,756	$47,446,330
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,723,822	$4,751,706

-30- 955

#90316c0060 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bancorp New Jersey Inc.(TICKER: BCNJ).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$54,000	$838,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.31

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$282,751,000	$282,012,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$45,943,000	$47,032,000

-30- 795

#90316c0061 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Smithfield Companies Inc.(TICKER: HAMS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,555,006	$7,728,114
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$134,980	$10,265
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,621,120	1,675,196

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$19,956,472	$17,573,114
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,538,242	$10,659,677

-30- 1044

#90316c0062 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Verex Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: VXLB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$157,613	$45,495
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(9,273)	$(85,338)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,205,000	11,205,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$596,850	$571,301
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$(75,043)	$(65,768)

Verex is a development stage company and its executive office is located at 14 Inverness Drive East, D-100, Englewood, Colorado 80112. Its telephone number is (303) 799-4499.

-30- 1230

#90316c0063 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by National Properties Corp.(TICKER: NAPE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$570,450	$425,824
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$140,429	$97,220
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.28	$0.18
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	510,283	539,068

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,884,740	$11,660,307
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,581,239	$8,493,098

-30- 1022
#90316c0064 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FIRST VENTURE CAPITAL INV INC OF 767 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10153, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,253 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 471
#90316c0065 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WEISKOPE SILVER & CO OF 74 TRINITY, NEW YORK, NY 10006, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CRYOMEDICAL SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: CMSI) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(CRYOMEDICAL SCIENCES INC. TEL: 416 843-1131)

-30- 442
#90316c0066 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAVIAPEN TRUSTEES LTD OF 501 EAST MIDDLEFIELD RD, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,380 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 460
#90316c0068 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - IVAN A NAZARIO OF 7179 ANJOU CREEK CIRCLE, 0, SAN JOSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(QUANTUM CORP. TEL: 408 432-1100)

-30- 405
#90316c0069 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARCUS J STAVINOHA OF 7631 STREAMSIDE, HOUSTON, TX 77088, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF TEAM INC. (TICKER: TMI) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(TEAM INC. TEL: 713 665-8949)

-30- 384
#90316c0070 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN C CLARK OF 87 CAMBRIDGE PK DR, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02140, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. TEL: 617 876-1170)

-30- 428
#90316c0071 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD K PAYNE OF 1506 SUGAR CREEK BLVD, SUGAR LAND, TX 77478, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF SERVICE CORP. INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SRV) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(SERVICE CORP. INTERNATIONAL TEL: 713 522-5141)

-30- 419
#90316c0072 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK BRIER OF 527 GREYSTONE RD, MERION, PA 19066, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF XSIRIUS INC. (TICKER: XSIR) THROUGH BROWN BROTHERS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(XSIRIUS INC. TEL: 213 578-6655)

-30- 379
#90316c0073 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RODGERS JOSEPH T III TRUST 1 OF 1804 MCCARTHY BLVD, MILPITAS, CA 95035, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(QUANTUM CORP. TEL: 408 432-1100)

-30- 428
#90316c0074 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RODGERS SHANNON P TRUST 1 OF 1804 MCCARTHY BLVD, MILPITAS, CA 95035, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(QUANTUM CORP. TEL: 408 432-1100)

-30- 422
#90316c0076 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH F DOX OF 3928 WOODCREEK LANE, SAN JOSE, CA 95117, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,750 SHARES OF NOVELLUS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NVLS) THROUGH NEEDHAM & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(NOVELLUS SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 943-9700)

-30- 411
#90316c0077 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERARD SEMHON OF 414 EAST 52ND ST, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,971 SHARES OF PARLUX FRAGRANCES INC. (TICKER: PARL) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(PARLUX FRAGRANCES INC. TEL: 212 826-5999)

-30- 421
#90316c0078 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RALPH BOOKBINDER OF 24 THE COURTYARDS, WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. (TICKER: EEI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. TEL: 716 684-8060)

-30- 445
#90316c0079 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OIA INC OF 5266 S DICKENS DR, LAS VEGAS, NV 89119, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF VEGAS CHIPS INC. (TICKER: VCHP) THROUGH WEDBUSH MORGAN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(VEGAS CHIPS INC. TEL: 702 647-3800)

-30- 395
#90316c0080 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMIE ZAPALAC OF 281 CHEW RD, SEALY, TX 77474, HAS FILED TO SELL 125,000 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH NELSON SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 201 569-4141)

-30- 386
#90316c0081 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DENNIS R ALEXANDER OF 5415 EAST PIPING ROCK RD, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85254, HAS FILED TO SELL 550,000 SHARES OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH) THROUGH J.W. GANT & ASSOCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 602 948-5883)

-30- 437
#90316c0082 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARL A THOMSEN OF 1701 EDGEWOOD DR, PALO ALTO, CA 94303, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,345 SHARES OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(MEASUREX CORP. TEL: 408 255-1500)

-30- 400
#90316c0084 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK MANDELBAUM OF 425 EAST 58TH STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,200 SHARES OF CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DOSE) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(CHOICE DRUG SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 914 422-6625)

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#90316c0085 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERIC J SUNDSVOLD OF 5121 S IRONTON WAY, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH WILLIAM BARTON FINL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

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#90316c0086 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B LEE KARNS OF 40725 E THUNDERBIRD TERR, 0, RANCHO MIRAGE, CA 92270, HAS FILED TO SELL 53,302 SHARES OF COMPREHENSIVE CARE CORP. (TICKER: CMP) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(COMPREHENSIVE CARE CORP. TEL: 314 537-3077)

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#90316c0087 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD D IRWIN OF 95 GRUMMAN HILL RD, 0, WILTON, CT 06897, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,200 SHARES OF MOUNTAIN MEDICAL EQUIPMENT INC. (TICKER: MTN) THROUGH VOLPE WELTY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(MOUNTAIN MEDICAL EQUIPMENT INC. TEL: 303 592-2000)

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#90316c0088 11/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANN CRITTENDEN OF 3412 LOWELL ST NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20016, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,800 SHARES OF CROP GENETICS INTERNATIONAL N.V. (TICKER: CROP) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(CROP GENETICS INTERNATIONAL N.V. TEL: 301 621-2900)

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#90316d0050 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 12) - Queen Elizabeth II is to visit Germany for the first time since reunification at the end of this month, Buckingham Palace announced here Monday.

The queen, who last visited the former West Germany in May 1987, will meet with head-of-state President Richard von Weizsaecker on November 23 after visiting the Royal Air Force air base at Laarbach.

She has previously met twice with Mr. Weizsaecker -- during the 1987 state visit and in London the previous year.

Mr. Weizsaecker became president of the reunified Germany on October 1.

-30- 754
#90316d0090 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (NOV. 12) - A granite statue recently dedicated to a slain Polish Roman Catholic priest was found decapitated and the words "For Lenin, For Stalin" painted on its base, police in the New York borough of Brooklyn reported.

The statue's head was found in a nearby trash can after the act of vandalism was discovered Sunday, Poland's independence day.

The statue was dedicated October 28 to Jerzy Popieluszko, a pro-Solidarity labor movement priest killed six years ago in Poland by four secret police officers.

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#90316d0230 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Munich (NOV. 12) - The drop of the U.S. dollar to below 1.50 marks may cause the Deutsche Airbus company to have to make a value adjustment of its assets, which could put strains on its capitalisation, industry officials indicated here Monday.

But officials at Deutsche Aerospace (Dasa), the Daimler-Benz division which holds a major share of Deutsche Airbus, dismissed as ''pure speculation'' recent hints about major losses facing the company as a result of the dollar's decline.

Under the terms of the Daimler-Benz takeover of the aerospace firm Messerschmitt-Boelkow-Blohm (Mbb), the Bonn government pledged to cover currency-related risks in the Airbus programme down to a rate of 1.60 marks. Daimler was to be responsible for rates below that.

Deutsche Airbus is owned to 80 per cent by Mbb and the rest by the German state-owned Bank for Reconstruction.

Last year Deutsche Airbus was only able to report a surplus after getting massive federal government help in the form of Bonn assuming old burdens. Without such help the company would have lost just over one billion marks.

A value adjustment to Deutsche Aerospace assets would chiefly reflect the money represented by the some 1,000 Airbus planes now on order. Officials noted that any new support for the company by Bonn could eventually be returned if the dollar recovered in value.

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#90316d0280 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (NOV. 12) - Eight people were killed when a Brazilian air force plane crashed Monday at Galeao international airport here. Only one person on board survived.

The Canadian-made Buffalo C-115 training and transport plane crashed in the military part of the airport shortly after take-off and was engulfed by fire, local media reports said. The cause of the crash was not immediately known.

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#90316d0290 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR (NOV. 12) - Trade between Malaysia and South Korea is expected to increase to 2.4 billion U.S. dollars this year and to 3.0 billion next year the South Korean Ambassador to Malaysia, Hong Soon Young said Monday.

The rise was attributable to an expected increase in South Korean investments in Malaysia, Mr. Hong told newsmen after addressing an investment forum for the visiting 16-member Korean Industrial Plant and Investment Cooperation mission.

Trade between the two countries was 2.05 billion dollars last year, he said.

Mr. Hong said Samsung, one of South Korea's leading corporations, had proposed setting up a 100-million-dollar plant to produce television picture tubes in southern Negri Sembilan state and is building a 20-million-dollar plant to produce microwave ovens in Port Klang, near here.

He said plans have also been submitted to construct a 100-million-dollar iron and steel mill in southern Johore state in a joint venture between Pohan Steel Mill Co. and an unidentified local partner.

"There is also a proposal to set up oil refinery plant in southern Malacca state, which is being done through equity participation between Malaysia, South Korea and Shell Companies," Mr. Hong said, adding that negotiations for the South Koreans to take a 30 per cent stake were going on.

He said the number of South Korean companies investing in Malaysia was increasing.

The mission arrived here Saturday for a four-day visit and is due to leave for home Tuesday.

-30- 1705
#90316d0300 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PORT MORESBY (NOV. 12) - The Papua New Guinea government will approve the 1.3-billion-U.S.-dollar Kutubu oil project within weeks, Prime Minister Rabbie Namaliu said Monday.

Mr. Namaliu told a lunch here: "The government's next task is, within weeks, the approval of the Kutubu oil project."

The government had initially set a November 1 deadline for the project's approval, but bureaucratic delays and provincial government and landowner politics have seen the deadline pass.

Mr. Namaliu assured foreign investors his government was still committed to resource development despite the current political crisis.

Last week Port Moresby rammed the budget through parliament in less than three hours and adjourned the house for more than eight months after a no confidence motion was launched.

"We remain committed to resource development," he said.

Kutubu involves the IagafuHedinia and Agogo fields in the rugged Southern Highlands Province, with a small segment extending into neighbouring Gulf Province.

It is scheduled to pump its first export oil by mid-1992 with a pipeline carrying up to 120,000 barrels per day of crude from the highlands to a marine terminal in the Gulf of Papua.

Recoverable reserves are estimated at 170 million barrels, and the project will have a 10-to-12-year life.

Among other approvals, Kutubu joint venture operators Chevron Niugini are waiting for a petroleum development licence and a pipeline licence.

Kutubu joint venture partners comprise: Chevron Niugini (25 percent), BP Petroleum Development (25 percent), Ampolex (PNG Petroleum) (14.98 percent),

BHP Petroleum (PNG) (12.5 percent), Oil Search (10.02 percent) and Merlin Pacific Oil and Merlin Petroleum (each 6.25 percent).

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#90316d0330 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (NOV 12) - A team of japanese technical experts are to work with the newly established Sierra Leone Rubber Company (SLRC) in a major industrial project in Sierra Leone's southern and eastern provinces.

According to the consul of Japan in Sierra Leone, Kishore Shankerdas, who is the managing director of the company, 50,000 acres of rubber plantation will be developed in addition to 2,900 acres from an existing five rubber estates.

Mr Shankerdas said that the company will employ about 1,000 workers in the initial stage, which will later be increased to 10,000.

It is the first time production of rubber is to be started on such a large scale, and it comes at a time when the rubber estates in neighbouring Liberia have all but collapsed as a result of the civil war in that country.

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#90316d0340 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WELLINGTON (NOV 12) - New Zealand's Reserve Bank governor, Don Brash, warned on Monday that the inflation fight was not over, despite a big drop in food price inflation.

He was commenting after the Statistics Department reported Monday that the annual increase in food prices to October was 3.3 percent, the smallest increase since January 1973.

In October, food prices dropped 0.7 percent, compared with a 0.5 percent rise in October last year.

Mr. Brash said the food inflation figure was "rather better" than he had expected but noted that it accounted for only a fifth of overall inflation.

"Whether or not it adds up to an overall decline will depend on the behaviour of other parties," he said.

Mr. Brash cautioned against reading too much into the October food price fall, as the food price index was notoriously volatile.

The Reserve Bank, the country's central bank, is still targeting an inflation rate of two percent by the end of 1992, although the new government's election manifesto stated policy is to extend that deadline an extra year.

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#90316d0350 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) - A sleeping U.S. Marine was shot and killed by a bullet fired from another Marine's M16 rifle at a base camp in eastern Saudi Arabia, the Pentagon said Monday.

The victim was identified as James Cunningham, 22, of Glendale, Arizona, a member of the 3rd Marine Regiment based in Hawaii.

Military investigators found no evidence of foul play and tentatively determined that Friday's shooting was accidental, Marine Corps spokesman Warrant Officer Randy Gaddo said.

He said a soldier's rifle discharged as he was leaving a tent, hitting the victim. The soldier and another Marine who was in the tent at the time of the shooting have been questioned, he said.

If the initial findings are confirmed, the incident would raised to 44 the number of accidental deaths since the U.S. deployment to the Gulf began August 7.

-30- 1051
#90316d0510 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 12) - The European Economic Community (EEC) took the offensive against critics of its controversial proposals for farm subsidy cuts here Monday, saying that its offer was about as good as theirs.

Ray MacSharry, European Commissioner for Agriculture, said that the EEC's proposed cuts in subsidies for farmers were "equivalent" to those of major trade partners, and made a "major contribution" to world trade negotiations.

Addressing a press conference, he called on other countries to match the EEC's offer, and said he remained optimistic that international trade talks in December aimed at lowering trade barriers would end successfully.

The EEC has been strongly criticised by the United States and other major agricultural exporting countries for subsidy cut proposals that were too little and too late.

But Mr. MacSharry, the Irishman who made the original EEC proposals of an overall 30 per cent cut in subsidies between 1986 and 1996, said it was wrong to compare this with the apparently much more far-reaching U.S. proposal.

His proposal, modified to soften the blow of subsidy cuts on farmers, was formally presented last week just four weeks ahead of a General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) conference here in December.

-30- 1448
#90316d0520 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FREETOWN (NOV. 12) - Liberia's interim president professor Amos Sawyer is on a four-nation consultation visit on his way to the Liberian capital, Monrovia, this week for the inauguration of his government, a peacekeeping force's political ambassador in Freetown said Monday.

According to Joshua Iroha from the regional economic grouping that sent peacekeeping troops into Liberia, Mr. Sawyer's visit started over the weekend in Accra, Ghana before going to Nigeria, the Gambia and Guinea.

Mr. Iroha said Mr. Sawyer will travel direct from Conakry to Monrovia but did not say how long the visit to the four countries would last.

African diplomats said Monday the inauguration of the interim government is to take place Thursday at the executive mansion.

Mr. Sawyers's deputy, Bishop Ronald Diggs and six members of the interim government left Freetown Saturday by a Nigerian navy plane for Monrovia.

Mr. Iroha said that all administrative officers appointed by the interim government as well as 200 Liberian civil servants who were residing in Freetown for the past six months as displaced persons have returned to Monrovia "to start normal life in the city".

He added, "arrangements are in progress for 1,000 Liberians, including businessmen, to return to Monrovia by the Nigerian naval ship, "Ambe."

The interim government was elected by vembers of Liberian political parties and interests groups including the warring parties during a conference in Banjul from August 27 to September 2.

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#90316d0650 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV. 12) - Transport workers Monday called off their week-long strike triggered by a new Islamic law on cases involving fatal motor accidents Pakistan television quoted government officials as saying.

The workers agreed to call off the nationwide protest following a lengthy meeting between union leaders and government officials in the Punjab provincial capital of Lahore, the state-run television said.

It did not give details of the agreement.

The drivers were protesting the law requiring drivers involved in fatal motor accidents to pay the families of the deceased the equivalent of 8,500 U.S. dollars.

The government suggested introducing group insurance or a third-party insurance mechanism to reduce the financial pressure on drivers, official sources here said.

Earlier the federal cabinet at its first meeting here under Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif ruled out any "compromise" on Islamic injunctions.

It said the strike was based on drivers' misunderstanding of the clauses of the Islamic law, and that the government was trying to clear them up through negotiations.

The strike had paralysed life in major cities and towns as drivers demanding the repeal of the law pulled their buses, vans, trucks and lorries off highways and inter-city roads.

The situation was aggravated Monday when oil tankers also joined the strike after the government said causing a fatality in a road accident was a non-bailable offence.

The transport crisis was the first under the new government headed by Punjabi industrialist Mr. Sharif.

The strike had drastically cut the flow of supplies. Motorists in many cities and towns faced hardship as gas stations were without petrol.

Pakistan Railways commissioned additional trains into service to cope with the rush of passengers, and reports said the domestic airline was flooded with people seeking flight bookings.

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#90316d0820 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUDAPEST (NOV. 12) - The Hungarian government on Monday denied reports in Egyptian newspapers claiming that Iraq had offered to trade ''cheap oil for weapons and food'', the official Hungarian news agency Mti said.

According to the reports, Iraq made the same offer to a number of other Eastern European countries.

Janos Menyhart, a department head in the Foreign Trade Ministry, said Iraq had recently put out feelers for Hungarian food shipments but had not expressed an interest in weapons.

He disclosed that Iraq recently offered Hungary oil in advance payment for all of its financial obligations until 1995. Menyhart said Hungary refused, citing the United Nations embargo imposed against Baghdad after its invasion of Kuwait.

According to Menyhart, Hungary has already lost 40 million dollars as a result of the embargo.

-30- 1013
#90316d0850 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIRUT (NOV. 12) - The Christian Lebanese Forces militia threatened Monday to jeopardise a government plan to reunify Beirut under army control saying it would keep its military structure here until it received guarantees that pro-Syrian factions would not move into its positions.

Pro-Syrian Lebanese party officials said meanwhile that LF leader Samir Geagea Monday had talks with General Ghazi Kanaan, the head of the intelligence services of the Syrian army deployed in Lebanon.

LF sources refused to confirm or deny this report.

If confirmed the meeting would be the first of its kind between a Syrian officer and the staunchly anti-Syrian Mr. Geagea, whose militia has vowed to

rid Lebanon of some 35,000 Syrian troops.

An LF spokesman said the powerful militia would keep control of the Ashrafiyeh hill in Christian east Beirut and its headquarters there unless the government guaranteed that no pro-Syrian armed faction would enter the region.

He also denied press reports that the LF had removed important quantities of weapons from Ashrafiyeh, where a major part of the militia's arsenal is stockpiled in the Qarantina headquarters at the foot of the hill.

The spokesman confirmed that the militia begun overnight Saturday to remove some of its weaponry and to take down fortifications in Ashrafiyeh and that redeployed some of its 10,000 men, its armoured vehicles and artillery in the Kesrouan district north of Beirut.

But further operations would depend on government assurances that no pro-Syrian faction would enter the region when the regular troops deploy there he said.

The LF and government were locked in negotiations over such assurances and he voiced hope that the guarantees would be forthcoming in the next few days thus allowing the militia to complete its withdrawal.

Partisans of former LF officer Elie Hobeika and militants of the Syrian Nationalist Socialist Party entered the Metn region northeast of Beirut after a Syrian-led operation forced the surrender of Christian military chief General Michel Aoun last month.

The LF has accused both groups of abuse against the population and of kidnapping senior militia members.

Hezbollah political chief Abu Yasser announced Monday that the Iranian-backed group had evacuated all its weapons from Beirut in compliance with the government plan to reunite the capital under the control of the army by November 20.

Hezbollah was among the first militias to begin dismantling its structure in Beirut when the plan was launched November 10.

On Saturday the pro-Syrian Amal militia completed the evacuation from Beirut of 3,000 fighters along with armoured vehicles and artillery pieces.

The Progressive Socialist Party of Druze leader Walid Jumblatt has also announced a withdrawal of its fighters from mainly Moslem west Beirut and mountain villages to the southeast.

If completed on schedule the government plan would leave the army in control of Greater Beirut -- a triangle of about 450 square kilometers (180 square

miles) covering the capital, its suburbs and adjoining areas.

Bitter factional fighting since 1975 has left the capital devastated and divided.

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#90316d0940 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV. 12) - The Thai government announced Monday it will tighten security measures, two days after Burmese pro-democracy students hijacked a Thai Airways International (THAI) flight.

Interior Minister Banharn Silpa-archa said he had ordered Immigration Division officials and others to screen more carefully Burmese students and suspected foreign political activists who might use Thailand to advance their causes.

He said the measures were aimed at preventing them from creating "unrest" in Thailand.

Two Burmese hijackers identified as Ye Marn, 24, and Ye Htin Kyaw, 22, hijacked a Rangoon-bound THAI Airbus-320 from Bangkok on Saturday and forced it to land in the Indian city of Calcutta.

After negotiations with Indian authorities, the two men freed all the 221 passengers and crew early Sunday and surrendered to Indian authorities, ending an eight-hour drama at Calcutta's Dum Dum Airport.

Before being taken into custody the hijackers told a press conference they had wanted to draw the world's attention to their struggle for democracy in Burma.

Generals seized power in Rangoon in a bloody coup in September 1988 to crush nationwide demands for the establishment of Western-style democracy in the Southeast Asian country.

Thousands of students fled Rangoon and other cities in Burma for fear of repression following the coup. Some crossed Burma's border with Thailand, an area where ethnic minority insurgency groups have been battling Rangoon's central government since the country's independence from Britain in 1948.

Meanwhile, Thai Deputy Prime Minister Arthit Kamlang-ek said Monday that Burmese students in Thailand could not break Thai law whenever they wish to make demands of the Burmese government.

Speaking as chairman of an international terrorist suppression committee, Mr. Arthit said the Interior Ministry planned to set up "restrictive areas" for Burmese students to allow Thai authorities to control them more easily.

Mr. Arthit said the Thai cabinet had earlier agreed "not to repatriate Burmese

students by force but they must stay in restrictive areas."

Thailand has had to deal with Burmese student hijackers before.

Last year two dissident Burmese students hijacked a plane on a domestic flight in Burma, forcing it to land at the Thai navy base at U-tapao, southeast of here, to press demands for democracy.

A Bangkok court sentenced the two to six years in prison each.

Their release was among a list of demands issued by Saturday's hijackers before their surrender.

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#90316d0950 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (NOV. 12) - Ghana's first stock exchange began business here Monday ahead of the official launching scheduled for later this month, the Ghana News Agency (Gna) reported.

Gna said three stockbroking firms registered with the exchange so far - the National Trust Holding Company (Nthc), the National Stockbrokers Limited and the Ecobank Stockbrokers Limited - traded in 10,700 securities from 11 listed public companies.

The highest number of shares traded on the floor came from Pioneer Tobacco Company (Ptc), a member of the multi-national B.A.T. group, which had 2,200 of its shares distributed among the three brokerage firms at 750 cedis (about two dollars) a share.

Ghana has been freeing its economy from controls and has been operating a free market economy over the past few years.

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#90316d1070 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV. 12) - Twelve people were arrested Monday when police smashed through street barricades to evict squatters who had staged a weeks-long occupation of three houses in East Berlin, the authorities said.

Leftwing groups scheduled a march at nightfall in protest at the action.

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#90316d1110 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATTERIDGEVILLE, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 12) - Police teargassed African National Congress social welfare chief Winnie Mandela in this black township outside Pretoria Monday as she visited relatives of two people shot dead by police.

No sooner had Mrs. Mandela drawn up outside the house of 19-year-old Lucky Phathlane, killed in clashes with police in the township on Saturday, than police opened fire with a volley of teargas canisters.

She scrambled inside the house, but a crowd of some 100 chanting supporters and journalists were caught by a stinging cloud and sent scrambling for cover in backyards.

After commiserating with the family she went on to visit the parents of 10-year-old Prince Makhoba, shot dead in his own backyard on Saturday as youths protesting at electricity powercuts clashed with police.

She had earlier visited the township's Kalafong hospital, where five people remained on the wards of the 38 the hospital treated over the weekend, according to medical superintendent Dr. Julius Kunzmann.

One of the victims, a 40-year-old man, was in intensive care with 35 per cent burns, but was out of danger, Dr. Kunzmann said.

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#90316d1120 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 12) - An earthquake measuring seven points on the Richter scale jolted Monday the Soviet republic of Kazakhastan, the Soviet news agency Tass reported.

It said the epicentre of the quake was near Lake Issyk-Kul, about 80 kilometres southeast of the republic's capital, Alma-Ata.

Tremors measured five points on the Richter scale in Alma-Ata. Tass did not say whether there were casualties.

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#90316d1180 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (NOV. 12) - Linking the electrical grids of South Africa and Zimbabwe "makes sense", President Robert Mugabe told Ian McRae, chief executive of Pretoria's Electricity Supply Commission, on Monday.

President Mugabe met the head of the giant South African para-statal at a conference here of the World Energy Council, when Dr. McRae made an impassioned plea for inter-regional cooperation to defeat traditional patterns of poverty.

"The first major constraints in this region are political, and one of the joys I am finding now is that political constraints are dropping like leaves from an autumn tree," Dr. McRae told the opening session of the three-day

conference.

Reflecting recently relaxed tension between Pretoria and its black neighbours, there were 100 South African delegates including the chairman of South Africa's ultra-secret Atomic Energy Corpooration, Wynand De Villiers and his chief executive Waldo Stumpf. Dr. De Villiers declined to be interviewed and said they were only observers in Zimbabwe -- which has previously denounced Western nuclear cooperation with Pretoria.

President Mugabe spent nearly 30 minutes touring an ESCOM exhibit with Dr. McRae after formally opening the conference, and expressed interest in pooling generating capacity and sharing ideas on getting electricity to rural areas where women currently have no alternative to firewood.

Dr. McRae later disclosed that talks had already been held between South Africa and Zimbabwe on sharing power from Mozambique's giant Cahora-Bassa dam on the Zambezi River. Pretoria is helping to rehabilitate the hydro-electric project after decades of sabotage by the rebel Mozambique National Resistance. Zimbabwe is currently 2,000 megawatts short of electrical consumption needs while ESCOM has over 4,000 megawatts surplus capacity.

President Mugabe has until now been at the forefront of the campaign to intensify sanctions against South Africa and forbidden government-to-government contact.

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#90316d1200 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 12) - Occidental Petroleum Corp. was guilty of unsafe practices and inadequate worker safety training in the July 1988 explosion on the British oil platform Piper-Alpha, according to a public inquiry's final report Monday.

The explosion in the North Sea claimed 167 lives.

The inquiry in the Scottish city of Aberdeen also found that the Department of Energy's inspections were too lax. The last inspection, a month before the accident, failed to turn up any of the shortcomings.

In the future, a special safety commission will be responsible for the oil platforms in the North Sea.

The inquiry found the cause of the accident, the world's worst offshore oil disaster, to be a leak in a gas compressor. The emergency rescue system failed during the ensuing fire.

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#90316d1230 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MASERU (NOV. 12) - Lesotho's new king, Prince Mohato Seeisa, was sworn in here Monday in a ceremony which brought thousands of citizens of this mountain country to the streets here.

The swearing-in ceremony comes only six days after his father, King Moshoeshoe II, was stripped of office by Lesotho's military ruler Major General Justin Lekhanya on November 6.

In a press release here Monday, the Lesotho government said the new monarch -- who has yet to be named but is expected to be called King Letsie III -- is a popular choice and is "looked upon as a man of the people".

The ceremony was held in the centre of Maseru at the base of a statue of King Moshoeshoe I, and several hours before the start of proceedings Lesotho's citizens flocked into the streets to celebrate the ceremony.

The former King Moshoeshoe II incurred the wrath of Gen. Lekhanya by refusing to ratify the sacking on February 19 of three colonels from the ruling military council, including the king's cousins Sekhobie and Thaabe Letsie.

Gen. Lekhanya stripped the former king of his legislative and administrative powers on February 28. The king has been officially "on sabbatical" in London since March 10 by "mutual agreement" with the military council which took power in a coup in January 1986.

The government press release said Gen. Lekhanya has given the assurance that the deposed king has been granted amnesty.

"The former king is presently in London, and although he will lose his monthly allowance of 50,000 rands (19,760 dollars), (he) is still a wealthy man in his own right.

"None of his property will be confiscated," the government release added.

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#90316d1260 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 12) - Japanese, Italian, Swedish and Soviet nationals detained in Iraq were among the foreign guests who attended Monday the opening of a "peace camp" at a favourite honeymoon spot near here.

But the guests of honor were undoubtedly the former U.S. attorney general Ramsey Clark and the former Danish prime minister Anker Jorgensen who both urged a peaceful outcome to the Gulf crisis and appealed for negotiations.

The camp was organized by the Iraqi Association of Friendship with the People of the World, on an idea by Italian peace activists. It was set up on Jazirat

al-A'raess, Weddings Island in Arabic, on the eastern outskirts of Baghdad.

The two-kilometers-long (one and a half miles) island is a few hundred meters (yard) wide. With its palm trees, it is a favourite honeymoon spot for working-class Iraqi newlyweds.

An Iraqi official said that a similar camp would also be set up at the borders of Saudi Arabia and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, with U.S. troops deployed on one side and Iraqi forces on the other.

The opening ceremonies were an occasion for orators to denounce the U.S. position on the Gulf crisis, the international sanctions against the Iraqi government and to voice support for the "peace efforts" of President Saddam Hussein.

"They told us there could be some good news announced here, so we came," Julio an Italian who declined to give his last name, said to explain his presence.

"As far as I'm concerned, I don't mind staying here 10 days if that meant I could then go home," he said.

Italy was the most representative community at the "peace camp".

Japanese men in dark suits were also predominant in the audience estimated at about 300 people.

But there were apparently no U.S. or British citizens taking part in the "peace camp" and it was not immediately possible to know if their absence was deliberate or whether they were not invited to attend.

Some 2,400 Britons and Americans are among the 3,500 Westerners and Japanese detained by the Iraqi authorities since August 2.

Fifteen people, most of them Italians, have been roomed in the bungalows on either side of the main road that slices through the island.

Portraits of President Hussein in civilian clothes greet the visitor to Jazirat al-A'raess, where strong winds pulled down an array of placards bearing anti-U.S. and other slogans.

"We demand the departure of foreign forces from the region," one placard said.

"United States: Enemies of Humanity," said another, while a third read: "Together with Iraq in the face of aggression."

Albeto Labate of the Italian Volunteers for Peace in the Middle East group expects many more people to join the camp over the next few days but he failed to say if Iraqis would be authorised by their government to attend.

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#90316d1660 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) - After taking a back seat to local issues in last week's mid-term elections, the Gulf crisis has become the focus of heated political debate here as lawmakers question White House motives in beefing up U.S. military might in the Middle East.

Influential Democratic senators like Samm Nunn, chairman of the Armed Forces Committee, and Claiborne Pell, head of the Foreign Relations Committee, voiced strong concerns Sunday about letting the United States go to war to free Kuwait of its Iraqi oppressor.

The debate was set off by President George Bush's decision last Thursday to increase U.S. military strength in the Gulf to about 380,0000 troops, for the first time giving the multinational force an offensive capability.

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"The president has a real obligation ... to explain why liberating Kuwait is so important we're willing to spend thousands of American lives if necessary," Mr. Nunn said, voicing his own doubts.

Mr. Pell concurred with his colleague and further stressed that before any offensive, the White House should get a specific U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force.

He also warned that any confrontation in the Gulf could easily evolve into a war between the United States and the Arab nations.

Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell chipped in repeatedly with the reminder that, contrary to Secretary of State Jame Baker's stated opinion, "Congress and only Congress can engage the United States" in a war.

Other lawmakers like Representative Ronald Dellums, leader of the black caucus were clearly against "all offensive action."

In the midst of this debate, the Bush administration has failed to come up with convincing arguments in favor of a military offensive in the Middle East, while keeping alive the possibility of a peaceful resolution to the crisis.

But administration officials requesting anonymity have said time was running short: it was increasingly difficult to keep such a disparate multinational anti-Iraqi alliance together, while curbing Arab anger over the presence of U.S. military forces so close to their holy sites.

Some lawmakers concurred with this view, like House Armed Services Committee chairman Les Aspin, who insisted that Congress be consulted prior to any action in the Gulf.

Public opinion was more uncertain than at the start of the crisis in early August, with 50 percent in favor of launching a military offensive and 33 per cent against it.

The U.S. Armed Forces are ready to do what they must, but General Norman Shwarzkopf, commander of the 230,000-strong U.S. forces in the Gulf, has often said war would bring many casualties.

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#90316d1820 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 12) - Barlow Rand, South Africa's leading company with interests in steel, coal, textiles, chemicals, food and pharmaceuticals, recorded a 15 percent decline in earnings to 463.7 cents (180.8 U.S. cents) a share for the year ended September 30, 1990, results released here Monday showed.

Despite the drop, a 119 cent (46.5 U.S. cent) final dividend was declared, maintaining the total for the year at 170 cents (66.5 U.S. cents) a share, which is covered 2.7 times.

In its preliminary report, Barlow Rand commented that unfavourable trading conditions of the first half deteriorated for most divisions in the second half and turnover consequently showed only modest growth of 10 percent at 29.119 billion rands (11.356 billion dollars).

It noted that the combination of lower demand, intensified competition and high interest rates had an adverse effect on profitability, with operating profit after interest at 1.889 billion rands (736 million dollars) -- down by 16 percent.

The overall effect was to impact on the group's operating margin with

pre-interest operative profit at 2.475 billion rands (965 million dollars), eight percent down against a 10 percent rise in turnover.

Interest paid rose by 30 percent to 586 million rands (228 million dollars) and increased the decline in operating profit to 16 percent.

Barlow Rand's shares are currently priced at about 3150 cents (1229 U.S. cents) at which level the 1990 earnings and dividend yield are 14.7 percent and 5.4 percent respectively.

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#90316d1870 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (NOV. 12) - Former Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou has been called to appear November 22 before a judge investigating a scandal caused by banker Georges Koskotas, court sources said here Monday.

Mr. Papandreou, now leader of the opposition socialist party, is charged with ''moral complicity,'' ''passive corruption'' and ''accepting illegal funds.''

He is to be judged by a special court set up one year ago by parliament.

Four of his former ministers implicated in the scandal ae also to appear before the court.

Mr. Koskotas is in jail in the United States. He is charged with having extorted 230 millions dollars from the Bank of Crete when he was its director.

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#90316d1940 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 12) - South Africa's hardline socialist Pan Africanist Congress said Monday it had asked Iran to help secure the release of PAC prisoners being held in South African jails.

In a statement issued here, PAC spokesman Phillip Dlamini said a delegation from the organisation, led by acting PAC President Clarance Makwethu, had arrived in Iran at the weekend for talks with the Iranian government.

The release of all political prisoners is the subject of ongoing talks between the South African government and Nelson Mandela's African National Congress (ANC) -- the PAC's main anti-apartheid rival.

Last week, Justice Minister Kobie Coetsee published categories of political prisoners eligible to apply for indemnity in accordance with an agreement thrashed out between the government and the ANC at historic talks in Cape Town in May and Pretoria in August.

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#90316d1970 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SANAA (NOV. 12) - A leading Yemeni newspaper on Monday welcomed the call for an emergency Arab summit on the Gulf crisis while Egypt's semi-official press felt otherwise.

Morocco's King Hassan II called over the weekend for a summit on the crisis caused by Iraq's continuing occupation of Kuwait.

"It is logical and even indispensable for Arab leaders, headed by King Hassan II and (Algerian) President Chedli Bendjedid, to prepare such a summit to find a peaceful solution," said the September 26 newspaper, which is published by the Yemeni armed forces.

It made the commentary one day after King Hassan II called for an emergency Arab summit to provide a "new and final chance" for a peaceful end to the crisis.

The newspaper stressed that a summit prepared by the Moroccan and Algerian leaders "would be accepted by all the Arab, namely Iraq, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia."

As an alternative to a summit, the daily suggested the setting up of "a council of wise men" that would represent all the Arab countries except of Iraq, Iraqi-occupied Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.

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#90316d1990 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAPE TOWN (NOV. 12) - Notorious Robben Island prison off the coast here should become a monument in the "new South Africa", not a public resort as businessmen wish, African National Congress (ANC) regional spokesman Trevor Manuel said here Monday.

He said the ANC would resist any attempt to turn the prison into "a flippant place of decadent pleasure", SAPA news agency reported.

Robben Island, which currently houses political prisoners and common-law criminals, was home to ANC Deputy President Nelson Mandela for the bulk of his 27 years in South African prisons.

Mr. Manuel said many ANC members had been incarcerated on the island and any move to open it up as a tourist resort would be highly insensitive.

Future generations had to be reminded "of events which took place on the island", he said.

Tourism Minister Kent Durr has backed plans by a consortium of businessmen to develop the island, though no final decison has been taken.

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#90316d2030 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 12) - Iraq is willing to make "sacrifices" for the sake of peace in the Gulf, President Saddam Hussein said here Monday after talks with Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, the official news agency INA reported.

"In the region, Iraq is the only country willing to make sacrifices to achieve peace (in the Gulf), on condition that the chance for a sincere dialogue be guaranteed," President Hussein said in statements carried by INA.

He said Iraq would be willing to "discuss with an open mind all the formulas suceptible of achieving peace," adding: "The goal of the whole world is to achieve peace rather than to trigger war."

But he stressed that the interest of Iraq and the Arab countries did not lie in "Baghdad's acceptance of those threatening to use force."

He referred to the deployment of U.S and British troops in the Gulf since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait saying Iraq "rejects all threats or submission," preferring instead "a dialogue based on mutual respect."

President Hussein charged again that Washington's military presence in Saudi Arabia was aimed at "extending its hegemony and controlling oil wells" in the Gulf region.

"Is it in the world's interest to see the United States alone control the oil of the Middle East?" asked President Hussein.

He also reiterated calls for a "global settlement to the problems of the region."

President Saddam met with the visting Chinese official before his departure from Iraq to Saudi Arabia on his second unscheduled visit to the kingdom in less than a week.

Mr. Qian was immediately met in Jeddah, western Saudi Arabia, by his Saudi counterpart Prince Saud al-Faisal and was expected to brief him on the results of his visit to Baghdad, a Chinese diplomat said.

Chinese diplomatic sources have described Mr. Qian's visit to Iraq as a success and said the talks with President Hussein were "particularly important."

Mr. Qian's visit to Baghdad was part of a tour that took him to Egypt, Jordan

as well as Saudi Arabia.

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#90316d2080 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) - The White House said Monday President George Bush would consult closely with Congress on the conflict with Iraq but said "unforeseen kinds of provocations" might force him to order military action on his own.

The comments by White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater came in response to growing questions among Democrats over the president's policy in the Gulf and their insistence that only Congress can declare war.

"He will follow the constitutional requirements, and he would want to consult with the Congress every step of the way," said Mr. Fitzwater. "But there are always those unforeseen kinds of provocations that might result in having to move first."

After taking a back seat to local issues in last week's mid-term elections, the Gulf crisis has become the focus of heated political debate here as lawmakers question White House motives in beefing up U.S. military might in the Middle East.

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The White House seemed surprised by the Democrats' sudden vehemence. "Not a shot's been fired," said Mr. Fitzwater. "What are these guys talking about?"

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#90316d2150 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI, Nov 12 (AFP) - Vietnam's only oil enterprise in commercial operation, Vietsopetro, is projected to produce 25 million tons of crude oil from 1991 to 1995, the official Vietnam News Agency (VNA) said Monday.

Vietsopetro, a joint venture between the Soviet Union and Vietnam, was established in 1981, and will have produced five million tons of oil from 1986 to late 1990, VNA said.

It said about 2.5 million tons of that total was produced in 1990 from the only well in the Bach Ho, or White Tiger, oil-field, 120 kilometres (about 75 miles) off Vung Tau, formerly Cap Saint-Jacques.

About 40 wells, worked from eight platforms, are operational, producing between 8,000 and 10,000 tons of crude oil daily, VNA said.

Bach Ho's neighbouring fields, Rong and Dai Hung, which were discovered in 1986 and 1987, will go into production in the next five years, VNA said.

The news agency said Vietsopetro's annual oil production would rise to between six million and eight million tons in 1995, against the 3.5 million tons already projected for 1991.

The Dai Hung oil-field, 250 kilometres (155 miles) off Vung Tau and 110 metres (363 feet) deep, is superior to the Bach Ho field, it said.

Vietsopetro was initially authorised to explore and work in a surface area of 59,000 square kilometres (23,600 square miles), which was divided into seven lots, but was forced by Hanoi to limit its activities to only three lots, the newspaper Saigon Giai phong said recently.

VNA said the joint venture employs a workforce of 6,000 people, including more than 1,000 Soviet workers.

Most of Vietsopetro's oil output was exported to the Soviet Union, Japan and Singapore, because Vietnam's single oil refinery can only process about 40,000 tons annually, it said.

Oil company Petrofina (Belgium), Shell (DutchBritish), British Petroleum (British), SECABIPLL SwedishCanadian), ONGC (Indian), Enterprise Oil (British) and Petro-Canada (Canadian) are currently exploring for oil in Vietnamese territorial waters, VNA said.

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#90316d2160 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (NOV. 12) - Two Palestinians were shot and wounded Monday in clashes with the Israeli army in the town of Gaza in the occupied Gaza strip, Palestinian sources said.

Tension is high in both the Gaza strip and on the occupied West Bank between the occupying Israelis and local Arabs.

In the West Bank, Israeli troops blew up a house of a resident of Beit Ura Tahta, near Ramallah, who is charged with murdering a Palestinian suspected of ''collaborating'' with Israel, the sources said.

Another two houses were destroyed by Israeli police in Isawiya, near east Jerusalem, for not having building permits, eyewitnesses said.

Since the Palestinian uprising began in the occupied territories in December 1987, a thousand Palestinian houses have been destroyed by Israeli officials, the sources said.

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#90316d2170 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PANAMA CITY (NOV. 12) - Ten months after they toppled military ruler Manuel Noriega, U.S. troops here are losing their popularity among Panamanians, according to a poll released Monday.

But a majority of Panamanians still support the presence of U.S. troops in their country, said the poll by the Central American affiliate of Gallup International. Approval of U.S. troops is down to 74 per cent from 88 per cent in January, it said.

The poll of 1,210 people was conducted in October.

It showed that some 28 per cent of Panamanians now view the December 20 action by U.S. troops as "an invasion," exactly double the number which held that opinion at the beginning of the year.

While early in the year 76 per cent of Panamanians approved of continued U.S. military presence in the Canal Zone after the waterway is handed over to Panama in 2000, only 68 per cent of those polled in October favored such a presence.

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#90316d2190 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (NOV. 12) - Police raided the Bonn headquarters of the Greens Party

after its Bavarian section urged German troops to desert rather than be sent to fight in a Gulf conflict, police and party officials said.

Between 30 and 40 policemen took part in the raid, seizing 70 handbills and a draft of a handbill, the party said. The police said the operation was for alleged incitement to commit a criminal act.

The appeal published by the Bavarian section of the leftwing ecology and pacifist group said "desertion is a human right, because no one can force a man to kill another man."

"War is no way to solve international conflicts," it said.

The United States has over 200,000 troops in the Gulf and leads an alliance which includes French and British troops. U.S. reinforcements are being sent.

There are no German troops in the Gulf.

The Christian Social Union (CSU), the conservative party that takes part in the centre-right Bonn government, blasted the Greens for their encouragement to desert.

It is proof of the Greens' "moral perversion," the CSU's spokesman on foreign affairs, Ortwin Lowack, said.

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#90316d2700 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN SALVADOR (NOV. 12) - Central America's ranking provincial Jesuit priest Jose Maria Tojeira accused the Salvadoran Army Monday of blocking the investigation into the November 1989 slayings of six Jesuit priests.

Fr. Tojeira, from Spain, said the investigation conducted by the Salvadoran Government has not turned up conclusive evidence "because the military does not want justice to get to the bottom of this."

At a news conference on the anniversary of the 1989 slayings, Fr. Tojeira said he was "disconcerted" that the probe was stalled and may come apart imminently.

"The difficult part to clear up in the case is the army," he said, noting that the army had burned evidence, delivered false documents and sent the wrong witnesses to testify, Fr. Tojeira said.

He also accused the U.S. Embassy in San Salvador of covering up evidence throughout the investigation of the assassinations.

Still in dentention as the principal actors in the slayings are Colonel Guillermo Benavides, former director of El Salvador's Military Academy and nine

other members of the military.

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#90316d2740 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 12) - Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen met late Monday with King Fahd and senior Saudi officials during an unscheduled visit to Saudi Arabia, his second in six days, Saudi officials said.

They said Mr. Qian, who flew here after talks with President Saddam Hussein in Iraq, had delivered a message to the Saudi monarch from Chinese President Yang Shangkun.

Informed sources said the message dealt with the Gulf conflict and ways to settle it peacefully.

A Chinese diplomat had said earlier that Mr. Qian would brief Saudi officials on the results of his talks with Mr. Hussein. The Chinese official also met with Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal during Monday's visit.

Chinese diplomatic sources have described the visit to Baghdad as a success and said Mr. Qian's meeting with Mr. Hussein was "particularly important."

Mr. Qian travelled to Baghdad after visits to Egypt, Jordan and Saudi Arabia.

At each stop, he called for a peaceful settlement to the Gulf crisis.

The Saudi press Monday quoted Mr. Qian as saying that Beijing was "adopting a firm position on the need for an Iraqi military withdrawal from Kuwait and the reestablishment of the legitimate Kuwaiti government."

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#90316d2780 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) - U.S. spy satellites are not the only way for Washington to monitor the Gulf: three private firms, including one in the Soviet Union, are selling satellite photographs of the area.

Photographs sold by Soyuzharta, a Soviet firm, "are among the finest unclassified imagery I have ever seen," said Peter Zimmerman, a professor of applied sciences at George Washington University.

SPOT image, a French firm, and the U.S. company Landsat also sell satellite photographs of the Gulf.

Rick Obern, a Pentagon spokesman, said Monday that the U.S. government would be concerned by the sales only if they showed operational details of the U.S. deployment in Saudi Arabia.

Images sold by Soyuzharta show details down to five meters (yards), but may come from Soviet spy satellites, experts said.

Velon Minshew, who represents the Soviet firm in the United States, said they had photographs of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Iraq, taken in August and September.

The three firms are forbidden to sell the images to Iraq, under sanctions approved by the United Nations.

Mr. Minshew said that Soyozkarta would not sell the photographs except to legitimate organizations who agree not to resell them.

Clark Nelson, a spokesman for SPOT image, said his company sold only to those who had completed "proper security procedures."

"We are not selling to the Iraqis or anybody associated with the Iraqis," he said.

Landsat spokesman Dick Mrocynski said his firm's photographs were to be used for mapping and geological purposes and had no military value.

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#90316d2790 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEGUCIGALPA (NOV. 12) - Flooding that began last week in Honduras has claimed nine lives, left more than 20,000 people homeless and caused serious damage to cropland and roads, officials said.

The National Emergency Committee said the flooding had spread from the northern coast to eastern parts of this poor Central American country, and that if the rains continued, a state of emergency would be declared nationwide.

Some 30,000 people were evacuated from the northern departments of Cortes and Yoro, and 13,000 of them saw their homes destroyed or damaged, the committee said.

Another 8,000 people were left homeless in the northeastern department of Gracias a Dios, near the Nicaraguan border, when the Patuca River overflowed its banks.

Unofficial reports put total damage from the flooding at 70 million dollars.

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#90316d2840 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV. 13) - Demonstrators toppled a tramway, dug trenches and fought

pitched battles with police Monday night to protest the eviction of squatters from three buildings in east Berlin, police said.

Several hundred demonstrators, many of them masked, faced three police water-cannons.

Police said a dozen demonstrators were arrested and several policemen were injured, but they did not give casualty figures for the demonstrators.

Since the Berlin Wall fell last year, scores of empty buildings in the east of the city have been occupied by squatters, prompting the new joint municipal authorities last July to ban all new occupations.

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#90316d2870 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 13) - British Steel earned pre-tax profits of 309 million pounds (609 million dollars) in the six months to the end of September, a fall of 27 percent from the 423 million pounds it reported in the same period of 1989, the group said here on Monday.

A statement by Chairman Sir Robert Scholey said that the poor results were likely continue in the short term.

"Profits will be reduced for the rest of the year and the difficult economic situation will also impact on 1991-92," Sir Robert said.

The chairman also said that the company, the world's second biggest steel firm had reopened talks on a possible takeover of the Spanish group Aristrain, after an initial failure to reach agreement.

The first-half results were in line with analysts' predictions, and British Steel's shares rose slightly, by one penny to 121.5 pence in early afternoon trading here.

The company, which was privatised in 1988, said it had boosted its exports,

partly compensating for a drop in sales at home. However this had been achieved at the price of cutting profit margins to face up to sharpened world competition, it added.

British Steel recently announced the closing of its mills on Clydeside in Scotland, with the loss of 1,200 jobs.

Sales were down 1.6 percent for the six-month period, to 2.51 billion pounds (4.9 billion dollars).

Earnings per share were down 28 percent at 11.9 pence, against 16.6 over the

same period in 1989.

Nevertheless the group said it would make an increased dividend installment payment of three pence per share as against 2.75 pence.

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#90316d2920 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LA PAZ (NOV. 12) - Bolivian coca growers Monday accused the army of planning to wage the war on drugs under the guise of routine military maneuvers in the Chapare coca-growing region of the country.

The charges came after the armed forces commander, General Jorge Moreira, said four army battalions would be sent into the Chapare for routine exercises but steer clear of any drug-fighting activity. He did not specify the date of the announced maneuvers.

Located in central Bolivia, the Chapare region is one of South America's main sources of coca leaves, the raw material of cocaine. The area produces 80 per cent of the 140,000 tonnes of coca grown annually nationwide.

The Federation of Coca Farmers of Chapare said the army plans were part of a militarization of anti-drug efforts agreed to last May in Washington by Bolivian President Jaime Paz Zamora and U.S. President George Bush.

The U.S. Government is pressing Bolivia to "militarize the Chapare region," so coca producers have decided to form self-defense groups "in light of the imminent attack," said federation leader Julio Arce.

Currently, anti-drug operations in the Chapare are the responsibility of a special narcotics force which answers to the Bolivian police.

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#90316d2950 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GUATEMALA CITY (NOV. 13) - Two conservative candidates qualified for a January 6 runoff for president of Guatemala after no candidate won a majority in Sunday's national ballotting.

With 75 percent of the returns in Monday, newspaper publisher Jorge Carpio Nicolle (Unc), 58, had 25.3 percent of the vote and Christian fundamentalist Jorge Serrano Elias, 45, of the Mas party was close behind with 25 percent.

Christian Democrat Alfonso Cabrera Hidalgo, the hand-picked candidate of outgoing President Vinicio Cerezo, trailed with 16.3 percent.

Serrano is viewed by analysts as the favourite in the runoff. He headed the national council for a time under military dictator Efrain Rios Montt who was

ousted in 1983.

More than 400 international observers drafted into the Central American country to oversee the polls reported that voting went off with litle incident. The election campaign had been marred by the murder of 14 politicians since mid-June.

All three candidates campaigned on a ''law and order'' platform and vowed to boost the police force. Serrano has also pledged to bolster Guatamala's flagging economy by cuts in public spending.

-30- 1372
#90316d3340 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 13) - Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. Tuesday said it had set up a service network for installation and repair of home electric appliances in East European countries in a bid to promote regional sales.

Matsushita officials said they recently signed agreements with companies and state corporations in Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland, Romania and Yugoslavia to provide service for Matsushita products.

They said Matsushita's Hamburg-based German subsidiary would offer the service through local centers for home appliance parts in six cities of former East Germany, including Leipzig and Dresden.

Albania is the only East European country not to have an extension of the Matsushita service network, the officials said.

Matsushita's sales to East Europe of audio-visual products, including video-cassette recorders, radio-cassette decks and compact disk players totalled 6.5 billion yen (50 million dollars) in the 12 months to March.

With the completion of its service network, Matsushita plans to sharply increase its sales to the region to 16.5 billion yen (129 million dollars) between April 1990 and March 1991, company officials said.

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#90316d7450 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SINGAPORE (NOV. 1) - A price war has broken out over Pacific air fares amid a "softening" in the travel market, press reports said Monday.

The Business Times said the softening resulted from prospective travellers postponing their travel plans pending developments in the Middle East.

The business daily said three major airlines operating between Singapore and the Pacific west coast have slashed their wholesale price to travel agents by

between 150 Singapore dollars (90 U.S.) and 500 dollars (300 U.S.) in the past few weeks.

While Singapore Airlines (SIA) cut its trans-Pacific fare by 500 dollars to 1,700 dollars (1,000 U.S.), United Airlines (UA) and Japan Airlines (JAL) slashed 150 dollars (90 U.S.) each to 1,650 dollars (970 U.S.) and 1,700 dollars respectively, it noted.

UA and JAL sources declined to comment, while SIA could not be reached.

Other carriers such as Korean Air, Thai International, Cathay Pacific, Malaysian Airlines System and Northwest Airlines were likely to follow suit soon.

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#90316d7580 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 12) - Daimler Benz's South African subsidiary, Mercedes Benz of South Africa (MBSA), is meeting its production targets for the first time in three years, the Business Day newspaper reported here Monday.

MBSA's plant in the Indian Ocean port city of East London had been plagued with labour problems and resumed production a month ago following an eight-week shut-down caused by a strike by members of the black National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa (NUMSA).

Business Day said a central feature of the agreement between the union and MBSA which ended the strike was that productivity problems be addressed with management, suggesting the company's continued future in South Africa depended on it.

MBSA Human Resources Manager Ian Russel said at the weekend that "expectations raised in the dispute settlement process have been met" and that the previous high absenteeism rate was now down to industry norms.

In addition, quality in commercial vehicle production had reached the German record of 1.26 faults per vehicle.

"There is a real effort from everyone, a very good improvement on the shop floor", Mr. Russel said.

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#90316d7650 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 12) - Faced with dwindling profits and incentives, more foreign firms and investors are turning away from South Korea, Finance Ministry officials said here Monday.

They said that during the first nine months to September, foreign investment amounted to a mere 633 million dollars, down from 864 million dollars during the same period last year.

In 1988, the comparable figure was 1.09 billion dollars.

More foreign firms have also been pulling out. In 1988, a total of 19 foreign firms withdrew and the number increased to 28 in 1989 and to 30 as of September this year.

The officials said South Korea had been losing its attractiveness for foreign investment because of stronger unionism and higher wages that resulted in reduced profits and dwindling incentives offered by the government.

The government has been reducing incentives, including tariff and tax cuts, for foreign investment it had provided in the past to attract foreign funds to finance economic development.

It has removed, for example, tariff cuts it had offered for facilities needed for building hotels during the 1988 Seoul Olympics. Hotels took the lion's share of foreign investment in 1988.

Foreign investment has been notably reduced in labor-intensive industries. Investment in textile and garments was reduced from 15 separate deals in 1988 to 13 in 1989 and to only three as of September 1990, the officials said.

Annual returns on investment for foreign investors averaged three percent, but U.S. firms took more than four percent, they said.

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#90316d7660 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 12) - Communist rebels slammed the door on proposed new peace talks with the Philippine government after it indicated that U.S. troops may stay in the country beyond 1991, a newpaper said here Monday.

The communist National Democratic Front (NDF) charged that President Corazon Aquino's government "has sold national sovereignty once again" and that "there is no hope for peace under a regime of national betrayal," Newsday reported.

It quoted an NDF statement sent to the daily on Sunday as saying that "there is no other way for all patriots but to intensify the people's struggle both in the streets and in the hills throughout the land."

The NDF had expressed willingness to discuss the possibility of fresh peace talks with Mrs. Aquino's government after she suspended military operations in areas ravaged by a killer earthquake last July.

The New People's Army (NPA), the rebels' nationwide guerrilla force, had earlier unilaterally suspended its offensives in the quake-hit areas.

The Philippine government said Friday that it was determined to gain "full sovereign control" over U.S. air and naval bases when their lease expires on September 16, 1991, but that it may ask Washington to run them for a longer period because local troops need more time to take over the facilites.

A U.S. government spokesman in turn disclosed here on Monday that they wanted a 10- to 12-year period to phase out their control of military facilities in the Philippines.

The next round of bases talks is set for December. If the two allies fail to forge a treaty on the bases by January, they have agreed to immediately take steps to end the U.S. military presence by September.

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#90316d7730 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 12) - South Korea, named one of the four Asian "dragons" because of its spectacular economic expansion, fared less well this year and will likely face even harder times in 1991, analysts say.

On the surface, the country again appeared to prosper this year with its annual economic growth rate forecast at 8.6 per cent, up from 6.7 per cent last year.

Growth has been boosted by domestic construction and consumption and disguises some troubling fundamental problems.

The official think-tank, the Korea Development Institute (KDI), forecasts a 1.5 billion dollar trade deficit due to sluggish exports, and a 1.8 billion dollar balance of payments deficit for the year.

This year's balance of payments deficit represents a sharp drop from last year's surplus of 5.1 billion dollars and illustrates rapid economic deterioration, according to analysts.

When the country achieved double-digit growth rates for three consecutive years from 1986 to 1988, producing an annual average current account surplus of 9.5 billion dollars, many forecasted that South Korea would rank with Japan as a world economic power in the 1990s.

But KDI forecasts that South Korea will post a 2.5 billion dollar trade deficit and a 2.8 billion dollar current account deficit in 1991 as the economic growth rate slows to 6.9 percent.

KDI adds that the figures are due largely to a sharp rise in crude oil prices

prompted by the Gulf crisis, coupled with an economic slowdown in advanced countries, particularly the United States, which is South Korea's most important export market.

Exports rose by a meager 1.8 percent this year to an estimated 62.5 billion dollars, over last year.

Exports, mainly responsible for the nation's rapid economic growth in the past decade, have become sluggish as South Korean products become less competitive in the international market due to wage rises and lack of technological innovation.

Last year alone, a worker's average daily wage in the manufacturing sector rose by 25 percent to 36.2 dollars amid widespread labor unrest, a figure compared with 19.8 dollars in the rival dragon, Taiwan.

Samsung Economic Institute Director Lim Dong-Sung said South Korean industries that are still vulnerable to international competition would face more difficulty as the world market gradually opens up.

He fears wages may rise at a rate far surpassing that of labor productivity next year because of nine percent inflation this year and 10 percent forecast for next year.

The government is hoping to keep inflation below double digits.

He predicts the nation's exports will be sluggish because a tight-money government policy aimed at checking inflation will discourage industrialists from investing in new technology and plant facilities.

He says the key to overcoming the current economic difficulties for enterprises is to raise productivity, improve product quality, and develop new technology to recover the lost competitiveness of Korean export products.

Government economists have nonetheless offered an optimistic seventh five-year-plan for 1992-96.

It envisages annual real economic growth of seven percent and an increase in the nation's per capita gross national product (GNP) from 6,767 dollars in 1992 to 10,190 dollars in 1996.

South Korea's per capita income, now at around 5,000 dollars, will reach the 10,000-dollar level as the country approaches the rank of advanced countries, a senior Economic Planning Board official said.

The new development plan also calls for raising the nation's exports gradually from 76.5 billion dollars in 1992 to 112 billion dollars -- thus eliminating the current account deficit in 1992 and leading to a 5.5-billion-dollar

surplus by 1996.

South Korea is to become a net creditor nation by 1995, according to the plan. At present, the nation's foreign debts stand at around 28 billion dollars.

Critics have described the plan as too ambitious in the current economic climate.

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KABUL (NOV. 12) - The Afghan government is planning to devalue its artificially overpriced currency in a bid to attract greater foreign interest in Kabul's tottering economy, Finance Minister Mohammad Hakim said.

Mr. Hakim said the official exchange rate of the afghani, unchanged since the pro-communist revolution of 1978, did not reflect market realities and discouraged potential foreign investors.

The afghani is officially pegged at 55 to the U.S. dollar, but its "bazaar" -- or black market -- value has fluctuated wildly between 440 and 700 over the past year.

"We are planning to increase the official rate so that the difference between the two rates will become smaller," Mr. Hakim said in an interview. "It will be done very soon -- very, very soon.

The Afghan black market -- the dilapidated three-storey "bazaar" where hundreds of money-changers sit in shabby cubicles -- is silently encouraged by the authorities because of its importance to the economy.

Mr. Hakim said several foreign organisations and companies were reluctant to come to Afghanistan because of the afghani's unrealistic exchange rate.

Diplomatic missions and several aid agencies here exchange their foreign currency at the official rate, but their local staff are allowed to be paid in hard currency, which they exchange at the bazaar.

"We know that increasing the official exchange rate will put some more burdens on the budget, but we have to be prepared to absorb it," Mr. Hakim said.

He did not say by what proportion the afghani would be devalued, but informed financial sources said it would be substantial and "very close to the bazaar rate."

Mr. Hakim said the disparity between the open market and the official rate was also due to sharply falling revenue, increasing expenditure and the effects of the ongoing civil war in Afghanistan, one of the world's poorest countries.

The trade deficit in the year ending May 21 was estimated at 543.89 million dollars compared to less than 100 million dollars 10 years ago.

The corresponding figure for 1988-89 was not available.

Last year's deficit was financed almost entirely by the money merchants at Char Chattar bazaar, underlining their key role in the national economy.

The government does not sell dollars to the private sector at the official rate, but recently pumped 15 million dollars to finance essential food imports at a rate slightly lower than the bazaar price.

With foreign exchange earnings virtually dried up after the closure of a natural gas pipeline to the Soviet Union just before Soviet troops withdrew from Afghanistan in February 1989, the state is hard pressed for dollars.

Efforts are now under way to reopen the pipeline, which accounted for nearly 90 per cent of Afghanistan's total foreign exchange earnings, but no firm date has yet been fixed for resuming gas sales.

The drop in foreign earnings compounded problems of dwindling domestic revenues, which fell by 20 percent, while spending rose by 32 percent last year, Mr. Hakim said.

He said the Afghan economy grew at a poor 1.2 percent a year over the past decade, compared with an annual average growth of 2.3 percent for the world's 41 least developed countries.

More than one million people died and some 2,000 schools, 5,000 vehicles and 2,000 kilometres (1,250 miles) of road were destroyed during the 12-year Afghan war.

Kabul has been surviving on generous Soviet handouts, including food, fuel and military supplies.

Agriculture, the mainstay of the economy, suffered severely as output fell by 28 percent and the population grew at an annual 2.6 percent during the past dcade, the minister said.

But Mr. Hakim said the only real solution to the country's economic problems was the prospect of an early political settlement, which would encourage the return of some five million Afghan refugees and, hopefully, attract foreign rehabilitation aid.

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BAGHDAD (NOV. 12) - Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen met here Monday with Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat to discuss Arab and international efforts to avert war in the Gulf, Palestinian sources reported.

Mr. Arafat arrived here late Sunday.

The Chinese foreign minister met twice earlier in the day with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz on the chances for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis and may pay a second visit to Saudi Arabia on Monday, according to Chinese diplomatic sources here.

Mr. Qian was last week in Cairo, Riyadh and Amman, where he issued repeated calls for a non-violent resolution in the Gulf.

But U.S. officials said he had also not ruled out Chinese support for a possible United Nations Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force to dislodge Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Iraq seized and occupied the emirate on August 2 and has since defied international appeals for a military withdrawal.

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LONDON (NOV. 12) - Coffee prices are unlikely to recover from their current levels, close to 15 year lows, in the short term, according to trade house E.D. and F. Man in their latest review of the world coffee market released Monday.

Physical stocks in countries producing mild coffee are at a much lower level than last year, Man said, which combined with reports of delayed or reduced crops in Central America, Mexico Colombia and Kenya may provide the opportunity for rallies.

But an expected hand-to-mouth buying pattern from roasters and high arabica stocks in Europe should preclude any major movements upwards in arabica type prices in the short term, the report said.

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MANILA (NOV. 12) - The Philippine government Monday assured panicked vehicle owners who rushed on gas stations that the country's oil supply was adequate and warned oil retailers against hoarding their products.

The rush came after the government's energy regulatory board ordered gas stations to open only fom 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on weekdays and 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on weekends and holidays.

The three oil companies that operate in the Philippines -- the state-owned Petron and local subsidiaries of Caltex and Shell -- have given assurances that the supplies are "adequate," a presidential palace statement said.

"Oil companies agreed to modify their distribution system to assure constant supply to their outlets" to prevent consumer panic, it said.

The palace said oil companies had petitioned the government to exempt tankers distributing petroleum products from a ban on trucks in Manila streets during rush hours.

It warned of criminal and administrative proceedings against oil retailers found to be hoarding petroleum products, it warned.

The government's order to gasoline stations to shorten working hours was the second step in a graduated rationing program sparked by the Gulf crisis, mounting public deficit and dwindling international reserves.

The government earlier reduced deliveries to dealers by 10 percent, forcing some stations to limit their sales to one can at a time or to close down some of their pumps.

Officials said last week that gasoline rationing by coupon could be introduced if the situation worsens.

Despite threats of a general strike by labor groups, the government has also been contemplating new price increases following an 8.7 percent depreciation last month in the value of the peso.

Local oil prices increased by 29 percent in September, and President Corazon Aquino has banned sports that consume large amounts of gas, such as car and boat racing.

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SOMERSET WEST, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 12) - Double-digit inflation is locked into the South African economy and in the minds of South Africans, leading economist Ockie Stuart said in this Cape province wine town Monday.

Addressing a conference organized by Stellenbosch University's Bureau for Economic Research, which he heads, Mr. Stuart predicted annual inflation would average out at 13.2 percent over the next five years.

The current year would be the worst, with an annualised inflation rate of 14.3 percent, and 1992 could be the best if the world economy recovered as expected with an inflation rate of 11.5 percent, he forecast.

Trade unions would be in a strong position during the negotiations the government wants to start with credible black leaders next year to thrash out a new constitution enfranchising the black majority, Mr. Stuart said, warning that unions were not noted for the realism of their wage demands.

Interest rates would remain high until 1992 and would then drop from the present 21 percent prime rate to 17.7 percent from 1992-95, he predicted.

On the balance of payments, Mr. Stuart said capital outflows would decrease as the country broke the back of its commitments to repay an estimated 18 billion dollar foreign debt.

The government keeps the current account solidly in the black, at the expense of growth, to meet debt repayments in the absence of credit facilities withdrawn in 1986 in protest at apartheid.

But the weakness of the gold price, diminishing gold production and higher oil prices would offset the reduction in outflows, Mr. Stuart said.

The current account surplus should average out to 4.5 billion rands (1.8 billion dollars) over the next five years, compared to this year's target of six billion rands (2.4 billion dollars).

Net capital outflows would average out at 3.2 billion rands (1.28 billion dollars) over the same period, he said.

The decline in savings was particularly worrying, he said. The savings ratio had declined from around 10 percent of income in the early 1980s to its current "dismally low" level of one percent.

"It simply means that we are consuming 99 percent of our income, leaving one percent to be used for fixed investment purposes," he said.

The economy would show negative growth this year and marginal growth next year he predicted.

"Political tensions, together with adverse trade union activity, are likely to be with us during the nineties," he said.

"Even though a political settlement may be reached before the end of 1993 the road ahead will be bumpy as far as capital inflows are concerned."

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HAMBURG (NOV. 12) - Coal prices on world markets have not benefited any from the increase in heating oil prices, and instead have actually declined amid an

increase in coal supplies to the market, the German Coal Importers Associationn said here Monday.

The association said that while heavy heating oil on the Rotterdam spot market has gone to beyond 100 dollars per tonne, coal for power plants now sells for less than 50 dollars per ton.

In Germany, the price at the border for hard coal imports dipped to 93 marks (61 dollars) per ton during the third quarter of 1990, down from 100 marks per hard coal-unit ton in the previous quarter.

Domestically-produced coal in Germany remains far higher, at 270 marks per coal-unit ton.

The association noted that there had been a major rise in coal exports by Australia, the United States, Colombia and South Africa.

It estimated that the hard coal imports by the European Community this year would rise 12 percent to 115 million tons, out of total world coal imports amounting to 340 millionn tons, up 7 percent.

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Istanbul (NOV. 12) - Unknown gunmen Monday fatally wounded here an official of a prison housing political convicts, police said.

The prosecutor at Bayrampasa prison, Fikret Niyazi Aygen, was shot as he was driving to work. He died on the way to hospital. The killers escaped.

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NICOSIA (NOV. 12) - OPEC maintained its expanded levels of crude oil production in October to compensate for the embargo on Iraq, but output fell sharply in Iran, the Middle East Economic Survey (MEES) reported Monday.

The weekly newsletter said crude production for the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries last month averaged 22.66 million barrels per day (bd), compared to 22.685 million bd in September.

But Iran's share dropped by nearly 500,000 bd from a record high of 3.47 million bd in September because of falling buyer interest in Iranian crude and technical problems on the production side, it said.

The shortfall was made up by increases from Saudi Arabia and Libya, the Nicosia-based weekly said. Production for each country rose by around 170,000 bd, up to 1.6 million bd for Libya and 7.67 million bd for Saudi Arabia.

MEES said OPEC production could reach 23 million bd in November and even higher in December, compared to to the production ceiling of 22.5 million bd agreed by the organisation before the Gulf crisis erupted in August.

The international embargo against Baghdad since its invasion of Kuwait cut exports of around four million bd from Iraq and Kuwait, with Saudi Arabia at the forefront of countries boosting its production to compensate.

According to the MEES estimates, Iraq produced 450,000 bd and Kuwait around 100,000 bd in October, the same as in September, compared to 3.3 million bd for Iraq and 1.7 million bd for Kuwait before the crisis.

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LAGOS (NOV. 12) - Nigeria plans to ignore the European market for natural gas exports and instead concentrate on penetrating the United States market, Nigerian Minister of Petroleum Resources Jibril Aminu has said here.

In an interview in the independent Champion newspaper, he predicted much stiffer competition in the European market, notably from Algeria.

The Nigerian government said last year that it considered Algeria, a major gas producer, a big threat to its own natural gas exports which are expected to begin in January 1995, a source recalled.

Nigeria is pinning its hopes on an increased natural gas demand in the United States, Prof. Aminu said.

On local oil policy, he said the Nigerian government would encourage private participation in setting up export-oriented refineries to increase the nation's oil utilisation, boost foreign exchange earnings and generate employment.

The move is part of government efforts to encourage private participation in oil exploration in the country, he added.

The nation, which currently has four refineries - with a total capacity of 445,000 barrels per day - cannot build new refineries now due to financial constraints, he said.

Prof. Aminu reiterated Nigeria's determination to remain a member of the 13-member Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).

Nothing could damage the country's national interests more devastatingly than breaking away from the cartel, he said.

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LONDON (NOV. 12) - Scotland Yard has scored its first "significant" victory againt the IRA in months with the arrest of six terrorist suspects here, but a wave of killings in Northern Ireland is making this autumn one of its bloodiest to date.

Early Monday police were still questioning six people arrested Sunday during a raid in Kilburn, northwestern London. The area is a stronghold for Irish emigrants.

The six were being held under Britain's anti-terrorism laws, at a high-security prison in central London.

Following an anti-terrorist operation that lasted for several months, police also seized an impressive 25 kilograms (55 pounds) of explosives, including Semtex, favoured by the outlawed Irish Republican Army. They also found weapons and documents in two cars parked outside an apartment complex in nearby Willesden.

Police flooded the working class district Sunday and more than 2,000 residents were evacuated.

Police said the weapons were probably intended for a terror campaign that would have been launched during the Christmas holidays.

The raid came just days after police found two alleged IRA "bases" in a nearby quarter of the city - apartments where they found false documents and traces of explosives.

For more than two years, Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist branch has been tracking one, or possibly two, IRA cells believed responsible for 23 attacks in England that have left 15 people dead and scores wounded since August 1988.

During the period, the IRA has diversified its targets as much as possible to create a climate of terror, hitting at the heart of the British establishment.

Its victims included senior military officers, Conservative politicians, and even, symbolically, the London Stock Exchange.

An attack in the summer killed an adviser to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, member of parliament Ian Gow.

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#90316d8650 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 12) - Sabotage attacks by leftist radicals shook Tokyo Monday as Emperor Akihito formally ascended to the Japanese throne in a solemn and

colourful ritual.

The attacks, mainly directed against the city's railway system, were carried out despite the massive presence of 37,000 police, but they failed to disrupt the ceremonial behind the walls of the Imperial Palace in the heart of the capital.

Some 30 incidents had been reported by the time the enthronement took place. Police confirmed there had been a large number but would make no official comment.

More than 2,000 opponents of the imperial system also staged demonstrations in three separate locations in Tokyo. There were some scuffles with police, who blocked off surrounding streets to contain the main demonstration and made at least three arrests.

Junichi Shirosaki, leader of the radical Chukaku-ha (Middle Core Faction), told reporters at one rally that his group carried out many of the attacks.

The sabotage was the climax of a series of protest actions leading up to the enthronement, which critics saw as the perpetuation of a feudal militarist tradition.

But the impressive half-hour ceremony, the first for 62 years, passed off as planned before some 2,500 guests, including leaders of more than 150 countries, drawing on more than 10 centuries of ritual.

The 56-year-old emperor, wearing a traditional costume dating back 1,000 years pledged to observe the constitution and discharge his duties "as symbol of the state and of the unity of the people".

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu then led three "Banzai" cheers after a congratulatory speech on behalf of the Japanese people which promised ''to devote our utmost efforts to building a Japan open to the world."

Escorted by members of the imperial household, and in complete silence, the emperor mounted an ornate canopied and curtained throne near the back of the large State Hall.

Empress Michiko was on a similar throne beside and behind the emperor's, with other members of the imperial family standing in front.

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TEHERAN (NOV. 12) - Teheran's military prosecutor announced Monday the execution of a man said to have spied for the United States.

Prosecutor Hojatoleslam Mohammad Niazi said the man, Seyyed Mohammad Ali Shahbukhari, had been a member of ''an espionage network affiliated to the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (Cia)''.

The man had been a ''citizen of a neighbouring country''. He was sentenced to death by a military tribunal and executed after approval of the verdict by the supreme court.

Security forces had arrested other members of the group, Niazi said. They had been passing information to the U.S. ''on certain organisations affiliated to the armed forces'' during and after the 1980-88 Iraq-Iran war, the Iranian news agency cited him as telling journalists.

The prosecutor also said ''several groups involved in bribery, embezzlement and corrupt activities have been smashed''.

A number of officials working in Teheran's municipality and passport office had been arrested in this connection. Municipality officials had confessed to stealing 3.5 billion rials (50 million dollars) in cash and 850 gold coins, each worth about 1,900 dollars, the prosecutor said.

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PARIS (NOV. 12) - A secret western network to counter an invasion by Warsaw Pact countries existed in France from the 1950s and was only recently disbanded by French President Francois Mitterrand, reliable sources said Monday.

French Defence Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement revealed in a radio interview Monday that the secret organisation, which was set up in other western European countries from the onset of the Cold War, had a French branch.

"It is true that a structure did exist, set up at the beginning of the 1950s to enable communications among a government that might have fled abroad in the event of the country being occupied," Mr. Chevenement said.

He added that the group here only had "a dormant and liaison role".

The French arm of the network known in French as Glaive (sword) was disbanded "on orders of the French president", Mr. Chevenement said, but he did not indicate when.

The reliable sources said that Mr. Mitterrand, who came to power in 1981, "relatively recently" dissolved the structure.

According to the sources, the organisation became obsolete as a Soviet invasion of France was no longer thought possible.

Constantin Melnik, who supervised French secret services from 1959 to 1962, had said on Friday that the network had not existed under French president Charles de Gaulle, who ruled from 1958 to 1969.

The existence of the shadowy group, codenamed Gladio (Latin for sword) in Italy, was disclosed last month by Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti.

Mr. Andreotti said Gladio had been created in 1956 in Italy and other European countries with the agreement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) and with financial support from the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, to prepare for a Soviet invasion.

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HONG KONG (NOV. 12) - In a landmark high court judgement here Monday 111 Vietnamese boat people were released after the government was found to have detained them unlawfully.

But within hours of the judgement, the group was re-arrested and threatened with deportation under a different section of immigration laws.

The boat people came to Hong Kong in May 1989 on their way to Japan which, at the time, had a more liberal policy for Vietnamese asylum seekers.

They claim, however, that they were tricked into landing in Hong Kong where their boat was confiscated and destroyed after government officials declared it to be unseaworthy.

Barrister Gerald McCoy, who represented the group, described the government's action as ''macabre''. McCoy said he would be making another application for habeas corpus and was contemplating a case against the government for contempt of court.

A number of other legal challenges to the government's boat people policy are in the pipeline. The Hong Kong government treats all arriving boat people as illegal immigrants pending a screening process to determine whether they qualify for refugee status.

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JERUSALEM (NOV. 12) - Israeli Police Minister Ronni Milo has ordered a shake-up and demoted a senior official in his force after it was criticized in a report on last month's killing of 18 Palestinians in east Jerusalem.

The sanctions -- seen by analysts as mild -- aim to curtail protests from the

Israeli right-wing but also to respond to U.S. criticism over the police handling of the October 8 unrest, political leaders said Monday.

An official report on the killing of 18 Palestinians at the Dome of the Rock criticized three senior police officials for not taking adequate measures to prevent the disturbances involving stone-throwing Palestinians.

Mr. Milo announced late Sunday that General Police Superindentent Yaakov Terner remained in his post, but Arie Bibi, in command of Jerusalem, was effectively demoted by being moved to a secondary post in Tel Aviv.

He is to be replaced by Haim Albaldes.

Another officer who was criticized by the commission, Rahamim Comfort, in charge of Israel's southern police sector where Jerusalem is located, will be retired in January and replaced by Rafi Peled.

Mr. Milo also announced that Jerusalem police were to get 350 more men and a new special command post from which to monitor events in the old city, the holy places and in Jewish neighbourhoods adjacent to Arab quarters.

Some 250 police reinforcements joined their 2,000 colleagues in Jerusalem late Sunday.

Jerusalem is changing from being the political nerve centre for the 35-month-old uprising in the occupied territories to a focal point for Palestinian militants, sources close to the Israeli Defence Ministry said.

Three Israelis were stabbed to death here last month in revenge for the October 8 killings.

An Israeli coordinator in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, Shmuel Goren, said late Sunday that 10,800 Palestinians from the territories were being barred from entering Israel for security reasons.

On the Gaza Strip, the army has dismantled a cell of the banned Moslem fundamentalist group Al Jihad, a military spokesman said.

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MANILA (NOV. 12) - The Philippines' trade deficit climbed to 2.85 billion dollars in September, a 51 percent increase over 12 months, officials said Monday.

The National Statistics Office (NSO) said exports, led by electronics, rose by 4.1 percent to 6.05 billion dollars from January to September, but were outstripped by imports, topped by oil and capital goods, which rose by 15.6

percent to 8.90 billion dollars.

Meanwhile, the Central Bank confirmed that capital flight from the country reached 190 million dollars by August, a 342 percent increase over the same period last year.

From January to August this year, net foreign investments stood at 272 million dollars, 46.4 percent down on the same period last year, according to Central Bank figures released here this week.

The bank gave no breakdown of the capital flight, which emerged as the Philippine government was grappling with a budget and foreign exchange crisis complicated by the effects of the Gulf conflict.

Manila newspapers reported Monday that 174 million dollars was remitted abroad by foreign investors, principally from investments in the stock market after the sharp depreciation of the peso this year.

The newspapers said 13 million dollars was remitted abroad by foreign banks in Manila and three million dollars in capital was invested abroad, the dailies said.

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BRUSSELS (NOV. 12) - The European Economic Community (EEC) urged here Monday that the United Nations tighten the land embargo of Iraq, and that a bloc of about 40 countries be asked to press for the release of hostages.

German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher told journalists that EEC foreign ministers had agreed to a German request that the United Nations should act to make the land embargo of Iraq more effective.

He said the EEC wanted to examine ways to stop leakages in the embargo, particularly involving Iraq's neighbours.

And French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said the council of EEC foreign ministers had also agreed to ask about 40 countries, including some in the non-aligned bloc, to pressure Iraq into releasing hostages.

The foreign ministers gave a mixed reaction to the visit of former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt to Iraq to secure the release of hostages. Mr. Genscher said they expressed no criticism of Mr. Brandt's trip.

But a source close to the talks said Denmark, Belgium and the Netherlands had criticised individual initiatives to free hostages in Iraq and Kuwait.

The source said the three countries maintained that, if these individual

missions continued, the only hostages left in Iraq would be British and American, and this would be bad for international solidarity against Iraq.

At a summit of heads of state and government in Rome last month, the EEC agreed not to send any official missions to Iraq, and to discourage all other efforts to free the hostages except those carried out by the United Nations.

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DHAKA (NOV. 12) - A group of hungry, rampaging elephants have stamped to death three people and injured 10 in southeastern Bangladesh, press reports said here Monday.

The elephants rushed a banana plantation recently in the Ramgarh area of the Khagrachari hill district, killing the three instantly, the reports said. Ten seriously injured villagers were being treated in a local hospital.

Villagers were quoted as saying that elephants often attacked the plantation in search of food.

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BERLIN (NOV. 12) - Despite the unification of Germany, "millions" of former East Germans are likely to move to the western part of the country in the near future, the Bundestag speaker Rita Suessmuth said in an interview published Monday.

"Experts are telling us that in the near future, millions will move definitively to the west, or at the least, go there to work," the speaker of parliament told Berliner Zeitung.

The continuing exodus is bad news for the German government, which was desperately hoping that the speedy unification of Germany, concluded on October 3, would reassure East Germans worried about their future.

Housing and social funds in former West Germany are already straining to accommodate 600,000 East German refugees who crossed over from the summer of 1989 to July 1 1990, the date when monetary union was achieved.

The haemorrhage - 3.7 percent of the population of the German Democratic Republic - contributed to the downfall of Communist leader Erich Honecker in October 1989 and the opening of the Berlin Wall, a month later.

But the right to travel also enabled millions of East Germans to witness, first hand, the gulf in living standards with the West. The exodus continued, even after the March 18 elections that gave East Germany its first democratic

government.

Population movements have not been officially recorded since July 1, when East Germany's Ostmark was replaced by the Deutschemark. But the state-run television channel, ZDF, estimated Sunday that roughly 100,000 easterners had moved to the west in the July-September period.

A chief cause is unemployment, or the threat of it, as the five eastern states make the painful adjustment to a market economy.

Mrs. Suessmuth said that to raise East German salaries to West German levels, in order to stem the flow, could only be a temporary solution.

"We are witnessing a relatively rapid increase in (eastern) salaries, but labour productivity is not following suit," she said.

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BANGKOK (NOV. 12) - Five mourners were killed and 17 injured at a funeral in southern Thailand by two gunmen wielding automatic rifles, police said Monday.

The gunmen hid under cover of darkness in a rubber plantation in the southern province of Krabi, some 850 kilometers (500 miles) south of here, where the funeral was held late Saturday, Colonel Wichai Sukmongkol, the provincial police commander said.

While Buddhist monks were chanting prayers for the dead, a 60-year-old villager, the gunmen opened fire, emptying more than 30 rounds from their M-16 automatic rifles into the crowd of 200 mourners, he said.

The gunmen were trying to kill a prominent construction contractor, Samrong Jaiboon, who was a candidate for the post of village headman in an upcoming local election, Col. Wichai said.

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RANGOON (NOV. 12) - Burma's military leader, General Saw Maung, said he would not give in to threats or intimidation demanding a transfer of power, it was reported here Monday.

Speaking to State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC) members and government employees in Pyay, 270 kilometers (170 miles) north of here on Sunday, the general stressed that any such transfer would be carried out according to the due process of law.

He made special reference to the demands made by the hijackers of the Thai

plane on Saturday which included the release of political prisoners, withdrawal of martial law and the immediate transfer of power to a civilian government.

"I am going according to a clearly defined process and nobody needs give us orders or directives in this regard," Gen. Saw Maung said.

And he warned government employees not to be swayed by outside influences, which he said would only get them into trouble.

The SLORC, which seized power in a bloody coup in September 1988, says it is following a power transfer process based on a new and comprehensive constitution.

Political parties here, including the leading National League for Democracy (NLD), which won a landslide victory in the May general election, have been told to go along with the process or face being deregistered.

At its central committee meeting on Friday, the NLD decided to accept the SLORC transfer power process.

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#90316d9100 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (NOV. 12) - Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Saadoun Hammadi met here Monday with King Hussein to discuss the latest developments in the Gulf, Jordanian officials said.

King Hussein and the Iraqi envoy consulted on Arab and international efforts to find a peaceful settlement to the Gulf crisis and other conflicts in the Middle East.

Mr. Hammadi, who arrived here earlier Monday, also met Jordan's Prime Minister Moudar Badran.

King Hassan II of Morocco called Sunday for an Arab summit to avert war in the Gulf and said the gathering should be held on the basis of "decisions made by the international community".

While not specifically rejecting the call, Iraq insisted that such a summit "must not take place under pressure and threats from foreign forces that are violating sacred Moslem and Islamic values" in Saudi Arabia.

Jordan said earlier Monday it had not yet received an official invitation for a summit.

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#90316d9120 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (NOV. 12) - Saudi Arabia is to employ 25,000 Bangladeshi nationals who fled Kuwait and Iraq because of the Gulf crisis, a visiting professor from Singapore said Monday.

"This is only the beginning of the economic benefits countries like Bangladesh can expect out of the crisis," said Ishtiaq Hossain, a professor of political science at the National University of Singapore.

Saudi Arabian officials were not immediately available to confirm his comments which were made at a seminar on the implications of the Gulf crisis for South Asia.

Mr. Hossain said Bangladesh and countries with similar economies would have an "economic boom" of employment and trade opportunities when the crisis ended.

Some 100,000 Bangladeshis returned home after fleeing Kuwait and Iraq following Iraq's August 2 invasion of the tiny oil-rich emirate.

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#90316d9210 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (NOV. 12) - A man described as the ''architect'' of an attempt to blow up an Indian prime minister in 1978 was sentenced to 14 years in jail Monday by the central criminal court of this Australian city.

Judge Michael Grove said Tim Anderson would have been jailed for life but for the fact that he was only 25 years old at the time and was under the influence of an Indian-inspired religious sect, Amanda Marga.

Members of the sect tried to blow up Moraji Desai, the then prime minister of India, during a meeting of Commonwealth heads of government conference in a Sydney hotel.

The device, concealed in a garbage container, killed two refuse collectors and a policeman, but missed the politicians.

Prosecutors said the sect tried to kill Desai to gain the release of its founder, Baba, from an Indian prison. The man convicted of planting the bomb, Evan Dunstan Pederick, was sentenced a year ago to 20 years in jail.

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#90316d9310 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (NOV. 12) - The Danish financial and insurance group Baltica signed agreements with shareholders to avoid a hostile takeover by its biggest shareholder, the company said Monday.

The agreements signed with the French conglomerate Suez, which holds 22.8 per

cent of the shares, and Koebstadaernes Almindelige Brandsforsikring, a Danish fire-insurance company which holds 12 percent of the shares, were designed to calm fears and slow trading by major shareholder Hafnia.

Hafnia has aggressively acquired 33.5 percent of Baltica's shares recently giving it a blocking minority.

KAB's director, Alf Torp-Pedersen, confirmed that an agreement had been signed with Baltica but refused to give any details apart from saying they were "flexible and had a time limit."

According to the Danish financial weekly Mandag Morge, the battle between Baltica and Hafnia was intensified by the failure of a merger of the two groups.

Peter Christoffersen, president of Baltica, drew up merger plans a year and a half ago, but the plans failed because Baltica insisted Mr. Christoffersen be appointed president of the new group.

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#90316d9380 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 12) - Former U.S attorney general Ramsey Clark voiced his opposition to the deployment of foreign troops in the Gulf here on Monday, the official Iraqi News Agency reported.

"I am opposed to foreign intervention in the Gulf and I refuse all military presence in the area," Mr. Clark was quoted as saying.

He also expressed support for a peace initiative announced by President Saddam Hussein on August 12 -- 10 days after Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait -- which links a solution to the Gulf crisis to an overall Middle East settlement.

"This initiative carries two essential ideas: a call for a dialogue between the concerned parties and the principle that says peace is indivisible," said Mr. Clark, whose country has massed around 230,000 troops in the Gulf.

Mr. Clark, who on Sunday met Justice Minister Akram Abdel Kader Ali, has been in Baghdad since Saturday at the invitation of the Iraqi Government in a bid to secure the release of foreigners held against their will in Iraq and Kuwait.

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#90316d9420 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 12) - Visiting top NATO generals John Galvin and Vigleik Eide on Monday held talks with Soviet Defense Minister Dmitri Yazov and Chief of Staff Mikhail Moiseyev, Tass news agency reported.

Gen. Galvin, supreme commander of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) allied forces in Europe, and Gen. Eide, chairman of the Western alliance's military committee, are the first such senior NATO officials to visit the Soviet Union.

Their trip follows that of Marshal Yazov to NATO headquarters in Belgium.

The Western military leaders, who arrived Sunday, have also visited the Taman motorized rifle division on the outskirts of the capital.

The two generals are also due to meet Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze during their visit.

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#90316d9450 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARLSRUHE (NOV. 12) - A senior official of Germany's development aid ministry has been arrested on suspicion of having spied for East Germany from 1964 until the beginning of this year, federal prosecution officials said here Monday.

The 53-year-old man, who was not named in the announcement, held a position as director at the Bonn ministry of economic cooperation.

The statement said he had been paid by the former ministry of state security of East Germany to provide documents and information. The man was arrested on Thursday, but this was not made public at the time.

Since the two Germanys united last month, a series of highly placed East German spies have been uncovered in the Bonn public service.

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#90316d9470 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (NOV. 12) - President Ibrahim Babangida on Monday ordered the immediate release of 11 former senior officials of Nigeria's National Electric Power Authority (NEPA) jailed for life almost two years ago for strike action, officials said here.

The government had in December 1988 pressed "economic sabotage" charges against the 11 for plunging the nation into darkness for three days, in support of workers' demands for wage increases.

Following appeals from the Nigerian Labour Congress (NLC), the central labour movement, and international organisations such as the Organisation of African Trade Union Unity (OATUU), the government last year reduced the life jail terms to 10 years.

General Babangida announced the pardon when he met a delegation of the NLC, led by its national president, Pascal Bafyau, who was reported as expressing "our desire to convince you that the lesson intended to be learned by our colleagues has been learned".

The heads of the nation's security agencies were also present at the meeting. Gen. Babangida said the authorities would work to have the 11 freed officials integrated into the civil service.

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#90316d9620 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (NOV. 12) - Rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (Ltte) opened fire at a boat carrying Moslem refugees, killing one person and injuring two others in Sri Lanka's north-western Mannar district on Sunday evening, a Moslem political source said Monday.

Tamil rebels had also taken three persons captive from the boat, which had reached the Silavathurai coastal area, Sri Lanka Moslem Congress (Slmc) political party spokesman Dr. I.M. Illiyas said.

The Moslems were heading back to their homes whence they had fled two weeks back following threats by the Ltte, which is fighting in the north-east of the country for an independent homeland for the minority Tamils.

Dr. Illiyas said the attack was a deliberate attempt to prevent the Moslems from returning to their homes. This was one of the first groups which had tried to return to the Mannar district since the Moslems were 'ordered' to leave the area by the rebels.

Meanwhile, a defence ministry statement said Monday that in the continuing operations in Mannar troops found a 'large quantity' of anti personnel mines, 60 kilograms of explosives, and other items used by the rebels.

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#90316d9700 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (NOV. 12) - A strong earthquake shook Slovenia, in northwestern Yugoslavia, shortly before midnight Sunday, Tangug news agency said Monday, but there were no immediate reports of damage or casualties.

The quake measured between six and 6.5 on the 12-point Mercalli Scale and had its epicenter in the mountainous northern region of Bohinjska Bistrica.

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#90316d9790 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 12) - U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said here

Monday he was disappointed by the tough stance taken by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, a French source said.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar made the statement in a 30-minute meeting with French Prime Minister Michel Rocard in which they discussed the possibility of resorting to Article 42 of the U.N. charter, which allows the use of force to back United Nations Security Council resolutions, a source in Mr. Rocard's delegation said.

The source quoted Mr. Perez de Cuellar as saying he was also disappointed that Mr. Hussein "showed no sign of wanting to withdraw from Kuwait or to abide by the U.N. resolutions" calling for his withdrawal from the oil-rich emirate he invaded August 2.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar said he would have sent a U.N. envoy to Baghdad to work to free the hostages but Mr. Hussein would not deal with such an emissary, the source said.

The secretary-general said the U.N. embargo was working, but that a dictatorship might be better able to endure hardship than a democracy, the source said.

Mr. Rocard met Mr. Perez de Cuellar between two ceremonies of the enthronement of Japanese Emperor Akihito.

Meanwhile, Japan, Egypt and the six members of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) repeated their support for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis within the framework of the United Nations, a Japanese Foreign Ministry official said.

Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama met with his Egyptian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali, before talking with official representatives of the GCC, which groups Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Bahrain and Qatar, the official said.

The representatives called for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, the restoration of Kuwait's legitimate government and the release of all the hostages, the official said.

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#90316d9850 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUMFRIES, SCOTLAND (NOV. 12) - The bomb which destroyed a Pan Am Boeing 747 on December 21, 1988 over the Scottish town of Lockerbie, killing 270 people, was in unaccompanied luggage put on board in Frankfurt, Germany, an inquiry into the incident said Monday.

It was the first time the inquiry officially announced that the bomb was put aboard in Frankfurt although the fact had been suspected since the outset.

Commissioner Derek Henderson, a witness, also confirmed that the bomb was hidden in a radio-cassette player.

The unaccompanied suitcase which contained the radio-cassette player was put on the plane which flew the first leg of the Frankfurt to New York flight stopping in London. The bronze-coloured Samsonite bag was then transferred to the Boeing 747 at London's Heathrow airport for the second leg of the flight to New York.

Mr. Henderson also said the luggage of an American-Lebanese passenger, Khaled Jaafar, was searched for drugs after the catastrophe but nothing was found.

Last month a U.S. televison programme suggested this passenger could have carried the bomb in his luggage.

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#90316d9860 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 12) - Armenian nationalist leader Paruyr Ayrikyan, who was exiled in July 1988 and deprived of his Soviet nationality, has returned to Armenia where he was elected to parliament in his absence, the independent Interfax news agency reported here Monday.

Mr. Ayrikyan, who spent a number of years in Soviet prison camps in the 1970's and 80's, went to visit his electoral district in Echmiadzin and was expected to address the Armenian parliament and a public meeting in Yerevan Monday evening, Interfax said.

The nationalist leader, who had been living in the United States, has called for a referendum on Armenian independence and has actively campaigned for the extension of Armenian sovereignty over Nagorny Karabakh, a mostly-Armenian enclave inside neighbouring Azerbaijan.

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#90316d9870 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NDJAMENA (NOV. 12) - Thousands of Chadians turned out here on Monday in a show of support for President Hissein Habre after what the military described as fighting of a "rare intensity" in eastern Chad on Saturday.

Top politicians and soldiers attended the rally, called by the sole, ruling National Union for Independence and the Revolution (UNIR), and marchers shouted for "increased vigilance" against Libya and Sudan.

A UNIR resolution of support for Mr. Habre said the two neighbouring states were guilty of "criminal aggression" in Saturday's raid by a reported 2,000 men from Sudan, repelled after 24 hours' heavy fighting.

Chadian authorities blame the attacks on the Libyan-created Islamic Legion, said to have rear-bases in Sudan's western Darfur Province. In August, Ndjamena alleged that Tripoli, with which it has a long-running border dispute was preparing "total war" by pumping men and arms into Darfur.

The military high command on Monday stated that casualty figures would be issued later.

Libya has "categorically denied" any involvement in the fighting and said it was "simply a civil and tribal war".

A statement issued by Tripoli's embassy in Paris on Sunday advised "the Chadians to avoid accusing Libya each time that their rivalries, conflicts and internal problems explode".

Sudan's military regime on Sunday admitted that Chadian dissidents had invaded from Sudanese territory, but added in a foreign ministry statement that they had betrayed "promises" to Khartoum, which would "take all necessary measures to prevent, once and for all, such violations".)

The border with Sudan is a frequent trouble spot. There was heavy fighting in May, after a rebel incursion understood to have been led by former Chadian army chief Idriss Deby, who has attempted to overthrow Mr. Habre.

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#90316d9920 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 12) - Thousands of motorists blocked main streets in the Ukrainian republic capital of Kiev Monday in protest at petrol rationing, the Interfax news agency reported.

Since November 1, petrol in the republic has only been available in return for coupons, said the agency, a department of state-run Radio Moscow.

Local police officers gathered at the parliament building in Kiev to protest at a demonstration last week during which policemen were injured by those taking part.

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#90316d9930 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 12) - The five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, along with Indonesia, will meet in Paris on November 23 to discuss the Cambodian conflict, a French source said here Monday.

The news came out of a meeting between French Prime Minister Michel Rocard and United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

The decision to meet in Paris was made at a conference on Cambodia, which was held in Jakarta over the weekend, the source in Mr. Rocard's delegation said.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar told Mr. Rocard that the Jakarta meeting went well and was "a semi-success," the source said.

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#90316d9960 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (NOV. 12) - Zimbabwean President Robert Mugabe Monday called on developing nations to cooperate in energy matters to counter negative effects of the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Mugabe, speaking as he officially opened a conference organised by the Zimbabwe committee of the World Energy Council, deplored the lack of cooperation among developing nations on energy.

The meeting here was attended by more than 250 delegates, including a large South African team and representatives of the World Bank, the United Nations and the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).

The World Energy Council is a London-based private organization with 90 member countries which every three years organizes the world's largest energy conference.

Mr. Mugabe added that the African continent was rich in natural resources but lacked the necessary techonology to be self-sufficient in energy. He added that developing countries should also help each other through technology transfers.

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#90316d9990 11/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STUTTGART (NOV. 12) - France is to withdraw 20,000 of its soldiers from Germany in the course of next year, the commanding officer of French forces on German soil announced here Monday.

General Noel Chazarain said eight military units would be stood down in the course of 1991. He told Baden-Wuerttemberg state Premier Lothar Spaeth a total of 35 regiments would be withdrawn from Germany up to 1994.

The bulk of the French forces are based in this southwestern state on the French border. The area was part of France's military occupation zone after the German defeat in the Second World War.

A baden-Wuerttemberg state official said the French would abandon altogether three of their bases, at Karlsruhe, Muellheim and Kehl.

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#90316e0020 11/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
VIENNA (NOV 12) EFE - The Albanian parliament Monday opened an unprecedented debate on the political loosening-up of Europe's last hard-line Stalinist redoubt, Albania's official ATA news agency reported.

Discussion is expected to last for most of the week and center on details of a new electoral law allowing multiple candidates to run as independents or as representatives of other groups in contesting parliamentary seats to be decided by secret ballot.

As announced last week by Premier Ramiz Alia, the reforms stop short of allowing rival political parties to challenge the rule of the Communists, who have maintained an iron grip on power since the end of World War II.

No date has been set for the polls, but observers said they were likely to be held early next year in a bid to come to grips with Albania's worsening economic crisis.

Alia last week also announced the lifting of the strict ban on all forms of religious worship in force since 1967, that saw hundreds of churches and mosques boarded up or torn down and the jailing of religious prosletyzers.

In Tokyo, meanwhile, where he was attending coronation ceremonies for the Emperor Akihito, Albanian Foreign Minister Reis Malile said his country was not yet ready to introduce a multi- party democractic system.

He added, however, that it was hoped the planned reforms would allow for the development of pluralist political currents within the single-party state.

Rattled by protests, Albania's ruling Communists have recently taken steps aimed at ending their country's self-imposed international isolation, and have expressed an interest in joining the 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

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#90316e0037 11/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Managua (NOV 12) EFE - Nicaragua's leading churchman, Cardinal Miguel Obando y Bravo, Monday urged the government of President Violeta Chamorro and ex-Contra rebel leaders to work together to solve their problems or risk "the outbreak of another civil war."

Archbishop of Managua, Obando y Bravo told a press conference that he would act as mediator between the ex-Contras and the government, but added that Chamorro had not so far asked for his services because "she feels capable of

solving the problems."

A recent wave of violence and unrest has been sparked by protests by ex-Contras who accuse Chamorro of reneging on a promise to redistribute land nationalized by the former leftist Sandinista government.

The former rebels have also demanded food grants and the disarming of pro-Sandinista civilians.

Last week, five people were killed and 35 injured during clashes between the former Contras and police in the Atlantic coastal town of Nueva Guinea, some 260 km southeast of the capital.

The former rebels have blocked a section of a key highway running from Managua to the Atlantic coast and have staged a sit-in since November 3 in a temporary cathedral in the outskirts of the capital.

Obando y Bravo Monday denied that the Catholic Church has urged the ex-Contras to take over the cathedral and other churches throughout the country.

The Catholic bishops "only preach against the use of violence," he said.

Eighteen mayors in the Nueva Guinea area who are sympathetic to the Contras say the rebels are also demanding the resignation of several top government officials including Armed Forces chief Humberto Ortega, who was defense minister in the Sandinista government.

But Obando y Bravo said the former rebels were not pushing for the resignations and added that there existed important differences between the former rebels' true demands and the mayors' claims.

Chamorro failed during weekend talks to convince the mayors to persuade the ex-Contras to lift the barricades on the coastal highway.

The president offered to travel to the town of Muelles de los Bueyes, 216 km south of the capital, to discuss with the demands with the former rebels, but the mayors rejected the idea and threatened to withdraw their support for Chamorro.

The government has left open the offer to meet with the ex-Contras November 21 in Muelles de los Bueyes.

The U.S.-backed Contras fought a nine-year war against the Sandinistas which ended when the former government handed over to Chamorro's coalition in April after losing elections earlier in the year.

#90316f1839 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 76.50-80.00 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 120.00-123.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 40.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $205.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $418.50-$425.00; dealer-approx., $421.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $109.00-$111.83 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 294.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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#90316h0018 11/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (NOV. 12) XINHUA - A YOUNG FARMER IN HONGQIAO TOWNSHIP, IN THE SUBURBS OF SHANGHAI, HAS SUCCEEDED IN GROWING 50 FOREIGN VEGETABLES DURING THE PAST THREE YEARS.

JAPANESE MUSKMELON IS A RARE AND PRECIOUS TREAT IN RESTAURANTS OF SHANGHAI. ONCE A JAPANESE BUSINESSMAN SENT EXPERTS TO TRY TO GROW MUSKMELON IN THE CITY, BUT FAILED. HE CONCLUDED THAT SHANGHAI HAS AN UNFAVORABLE CLIMATE AND THE WRONG SOIL CONDITIONS FOR MUSKMELON. CHEN XULIANG, HOWEVER, WAS DETERMINED TO GROW THE MELON. AFTER SEVERAL FAILED ATTEMPTS, HE FINALLY SUCCEEDED.

CHEN HAD BEEN SENT TO STUDY AT AN AGRICULTURE UNIVERSITY IN JAPAN IN 1980. THERE, HE WORKED HARD AND MASTERED A SERIES OF VEGETABLE PLANTING TECHNIQUES. WHEN HE RETURNED HOME, HE USED THE MONEY WHICH HE HAD SAVED IN JAPAN TO BUY AND BRING BACK FINE VEGETABLE STRAINS FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

IN AUGUST 1987, CHEN AND HIS EIGHT COLLEAGUES TURNED 2.5 HECTARES OF WASTELAND IN JINGTING VILLAGE INTO A MODERN VEGETABLE PLANTATION. ON THIS PATCH OF LAND, HE PLANTED THE FOREIGN VEGETABLES WHICH HE HAD BROUGHT HOME, INCLUDING CELERY FROM HOLLAND, CHERRY TOMATOES FROM THE UNITED STATES, AND MUSKMELON AND ROMAINE LETTUCE FROM JAPAN.

CHEN HAS NOW LEARNED HOW TO SELECT AND RESERVE FINE SEEDS FOR PLANTING, WHICH WILL HELP THE SPREAD OF FOREIGN VEGETABLE CULTIVATION IN CHINA.

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#90316h0032 11/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SINGAPORE (NOV. 12) XINHUA - SINGAPORE WILL BAN NON-PHARMACEUTICAL AEROSOL PRODUCTS CONTAINING HARMFUL CHLORO-FLUOROCARBONS (CFCS) FROM NEXT FEBRUARY.

ENVIRONMENT MINISTER AHMAD MATTAR ANNOUNCED RECENTLY THAT THE BAN WOULD INCLUDE THE IMPORT AND MAKING OF POLYSTYRENE SHEETS OR PRODUCTS USING CFCS.

IT MEANS THAT HOUSE-HOLD AEROSOL PRODUCTS, RANGING FROM HAIR-SPRAY TO FURNITURE POLISH AND INSECTICIDES, WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO BE SOLD IN THE LOCAL MARKET IF THEY CONTAIN CFCS.

PRODUCTS SUCH AS DISPOSABLE CROCKERY AND WRAPPINGS USING POLYSTYRENE MATERIAL CONTAINING CFCS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED.

HOWEVER, PARMACEUTICAL AEROSOL PRODUCTS CONTAINING CFCS WOULD BE EXEMPTED FROM THE BAN FOR MEDICAL REASONS, SAID THE MINISTRY.

CFCS HARM THE ENVIRONMENT BECAUSE THEY DEPLETE THE OZONE LAYER WHICH SHIELDS THE EARTH'S SURFACE FROM HIGH LEVELS OF HARMFUL ULTRA-VIOLET RADIATION.

CFCS ALSO LEAD TO GLOBAL WARMING AND HAVE ADVERSE EFFECTS ON THE ECOLOGICAL SYSTEM.

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#90316h0038 11/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 12) XINHUA - THE SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA AND CONCURRENTLY PRESIDENT OF ZANZIBAR, SALMIN AMOUR, AND HIS WIFE WILL PAY A WORKING VISIT TO CHINA FROM NOVEMBER 14 TO 18 AT THE INVITATION OF THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT, ACCORDING TO THE CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTRY TODAY.

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#90316h0039 11/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HAIKOU (NOV. 12) XINHUA - AN ECONOMIC AND TRADE FAIR, THE FIRST EVER IN HAINAN ISLAND SINCE IT WAS MADE A PROVINCE LAST YEAR, WILL BE HELD FROM DECEMBER 4 TO 8 IN HAIKOU, ACCORDING TO THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT.

THE FAIR WILL PRESENT 150 INVESTMENT PROGRAMS, INVOLVING A TOTAL OF 1.71 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS, FOR FOREIGN BUSINESSMEN DURING THE FOUR-DAY PERIOD.

THESE PROGRAMS RANGE FROM COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSPORTATION, ENERGY RESOURCES, BASIC FACILITIES, AGRICULTURE, MEDICINES AND CHEMICALS, TO METALLURGY, BUILDING MATERIALS AND TOURISM.

MEANWHILE, CONFERENCES ON HAINAN'S SPECIAL POLICIES FOR FOREIGN INVESTORS, INFRASTRUCTURE CONSTRUCTION AND TOURISM WILL ALSO BE HELD AT THE FAIR.

THE FAIR IS SPONSORED BY HAINAN'S PROVINCIAL TRADE BUREAU AND ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION BUREAU AND THE CHINA COUNCIL FOR THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE, HAINAN BRANCH.

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#90316h0045 11/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 12) XINHUA - THE SINO-TURKISH JOINT ECONOMIC AND TRADE COMMITTEE OPENED ITS EIGHTH MEETING HERE TODAY.

ZHENG TUOBIN, CHINESE MINISTER OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS AND TRADE, AND KAMRAN INAN, TURKISH MINISTER OF STATE, ATTENDED THE MEETING.

ACCORDING TO SOURCES, BOTH SIDES WILL DISCUSS THE FURTHER PROMOTION OF CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELDS OF ECONOMY, TRADE, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, IN ADDITION TO AN AGREEMENT ON THE PROTECTION OF INVESTMENT TO BE SIGNED AT THE MEETING.

THE 1988-1989 TRADE VOLUME BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WAS 200 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, MORE THAN DOUBLING THE FIGURE FOR 1971, WHEN THE TWO COUNTRIES ESTABLISHED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS.IN 1987, THEY EXCHANGED GOODS TO THE TUNE OF 300 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

THE BILATERAL TECHNOLOGICAL CO-OPERATION HAS EXTENDED TO THE FIELDS OF WATER AND ELECTRIC POWER, LEATHER PROCESSING, FISHERIES, FORESTRY, MEDICINE, SEISMOLOGY AND RESTAURANTS.

KAMRAN INAN ARRIVED HERE ON NOVEMBER 10 AT THE HEAD OF A TURKISH GOVERNMENT TRADE DELEGATION, UPON ZHENG'S INVITATION.

THE VISITORS WILL LATER TOUR THE CITIES OF SHANGHAI, GUANGZHOU AND SHENZHEN.

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#90316h0046 11/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA (NOV. 12) XINHUA - BANGLADESH, ONE OF THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD HIT HARD BY THE CURRENT GULF CRISIS, IS EXPECTED TO RECEIVE MORE AID FROM ABROAD.

THE WORLD BANK HAS URGED DONORS TO FINALIZE AID AND CONSIDER APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TO BANGLADESH IN THE LIGHT OF THE GULF CRISIS TO HELP DHAKA REINFORCE ITS POLICY REFORMS.

A TWO-DAY MEETING, WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED DELEGATES FROM 26 DONORS AND AGENCIES, REVIEWED THE ACTION PROGRAM FOR POLICY REFORM IN BANGLADESH FOR FISCAL 1991 STARTING JULY 1.

ACCORDING TO THE MEETING SOURCES QUOTED BY LOCAL MEDIA TODAY, THE MEETING'S CHAIRMAN S. ASAWUMA, DIRECTOR OF THE COUNTRY DEPARTMENT OF THE WORLD BANK, WELCOMED THE CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS MADE BY BANGLADESH IN MANY AREAS OF THE ACTION PROGRAM, PARTICULARLY IN FINANCIAL STABILITY AND MACRO-ECONOMIC STABILITY.

THE CHAIRMAN NOTED THAT MANY SPEAKERS IN THE MEETING WERE OF THE OPINION THAT BANGLADESH HAS MOVED CLOSER TO SELF-SUFFIENCY IN FOOD, BUT THEY SUGGESTED TO EXAMINE ALTERNATIVE POLICIES TO SUPPORT CROP DIVERSIFICATION AND THE LONGER TERM REQUIREMENT OF THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR.

HE SAID THE BANGLADESH GOVERNMENT'S POLICY REFORMS IN AGRICULTURE, INDUSTRY AND FINANCIAL SECTORS HAD PROVIDED A MORE FAVORABLE CLIMATE FOR LONG-TERM (ECONOMIC) GROWTH.

THE MEETING ALSO TOOK NOTE OF THE GOVERNMENT'S SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED ALLOCATION FOR EDUCATION, HEALTH, FAMILY PLANNING AND THE SOCIAL SECTORS, AND ATTENTION WAS DRAWN TO THE RECENT INITIATIVE TAKEN BY DHAKA TO INTEGRATE WOMEN MORE EFFECTIVELY IN THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS, HE SAID.

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DHAKA (NOV. 12) XINHUA - A VISITING EXPERT HAS SAID HERE THAT MOTHER'S MILK PROTECTS INFANTS AGAINST DIARRHOEA, CHOLERA, COMMON ILLNESS AND RESPIRATORY TRACT INFECTIONS.

BRIEFING NEWSMEN HERE ON SUNDAY, M. POTTSS, PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN BASED "FAMILY HEALTH INTERNATIONAL" NOW VISITING BANGLADESH, SAID BREAST-FEEDING WAS NATURE'S CONTRACEPTIVE AND CONSTITUTED ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT INTERVENTIONS AVAILABLE TO MOTHERS IN ACHIEVING BETTER BIRTH SPACING.

HE SAID BREAST-FEEDING WAS MORE ECONOMIC THAN MILK SUBSTITUTES. ALTHOUGH A BREAST-FEEDING WOMAN NEEDS MORE FOOD AND LIQUID THAN NORMAL, THE SUBSTITUTES WERE BEING IMPORTED IN BANGLADESH AT THE COST OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE, HE ADDED.

M.Q.K. TALUKDER, A PAEDIATRITIAN, SAID AT THE BRIEFING THAT ACCORDING TO A LATEST STUDY, 80 PERCENT OF MOTHERS IN BANGLADESH HAD TURNED TO ARTIFICIAL FEEDING OF THEIR BABIES, BECAUSE THE RURAL MOTHERS HAD THE CONCEPTION THAT ANY POWDERED MILK IS A BREAST MILK SUBSTITUTE.

HE SAID CHILDREN UP TO FIVE MONTHS SHOULD BE EXCLUSIVELY BREAST FED AND THIS SHOULD CONTINUE UP TO TWO YEARS WITH WEANING FOOD. THE MOTHER SHOULD TAKE MORE NUTRITIOUS FOOD FROM PREGNANCY TO AS LONG AS THE BABY IS BREASTFED, HE NOTED.

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WELLINGTON (NOV. 12) XINHUA - THE NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT IS TOUGHENING UP REGULATIONS TO MAKE SURE IMMIGRATING BUSINESS PEOPLE TO THE COUNTRY INVEST MONEY, LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY, QUOTING BILL BIRCH, MINISTER OF LABOR, IMMIGRATION, STATE SERVICE AND PACIFIC ISLAND AFFAIRS.

BUSINESS IMMIGRANTS WOULD BE REQUIRED TO BRING WITH THEM ABOUT 500,000 N.Z. DOLLARS (300,000 U.S. DOLLARS) TO NEW ZEALAND BEFORE VISAS ARE ISSUED, THOUGH THE EXACT FIGURE WAS YET TO BE DECIDED, HE ADDED.

THE MINISTER'S REMARKS CAME ON SUNDAY WHEN COMMENTING REPORTS FROM AUSTRALIA THAT LARGE NUMBERS OF TAIWANESE PEOPLE WITH NO INTENTION OF SETTING UP BUSINESSES WERE BEING ALLOWED INTO AUSTRALIA ON A BUSINESS MIGRANT SCHEME.

HOWEVER, ONLY A TINY PROPORTION OF MIGRANTS ON THE SCHEME WERE MAKING ANY INVESTMENTS OTHER THAN IN REAL ESTATES, HE NOTED.

AT PRESENT, BUSINESS IMMIGRANTS DO NOT HAVE TO TRANSFER MONEY TO NEW ZEALAND BEFORE VISAS ARE GRANTED.

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CANBERRA (NOV. 12) XINHUA - AUSTRALIA AND BRUNEI HAVE AGREED TO ESTABLISH DIRECT AIR SERVICES BETWEEN PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, AND BRUNEI AND TO INCREASE AIRLINE CAPACITY BETWEEN DARWIN, THE NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA, AND BRUNEI.

ANNOUNCING THE AGREEMENT TODAY, AUSTRALIAN TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER KIM BEAZLEY SAID ROYAL BRUNEI AIRLINES HAD BEEN GIVEN PERMISSION TO OPERATE A WEEKLY BOEING 757 SERVICE BETWEEN PERTH AND BRUNEI.

BEAZLEY SAID HERE IN A STATEMENT THAT "THIS AGREEMENT HAS THE POTENTIAL TO FURTHER DEVELOP INBOUND TOURISM TO WESTERN AUSTRALIA AND INCREASE EXPORT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA'S PRIMARY PRODUCERS AND MANUFACTURERS."

THE MINISTER SAID THE AIRLINE WOULD BE PERMITTED ALSO TO INCREASE ITS CAPACITY TO DARWIN FROM TWO BOEING 737 TO TWO BOEING 757 FLIGHTS A WEEK.

UNDER THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS, QANTAS, AUSTRALIA'S INTERNATIONAL AIRLINE, WILL BE ALLOWED TO OPERATE TWO BOEING 747 SERVICES TO BRUNEI EACH WEEK, EITHER DIRECT OR VIA INTERMEDIATE POINTS, AND BEYOND.

AGREEMENT HAS ALSO BEEN REACHED ON THE TEXT OF AN AIR SERVICES AGREEMENT TO REPLACE TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENTS AGREED IN 1984.

BEAZLEY NOTED THAT THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS REPRESENTED AN IMPORTANT PHASE IN AUSTRALIA'S AVIATION AND BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH BRUNEI.

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#90316h0060 11/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WELLINGTON (NOV. 12) XINHUA - THE NEW ZEALAND FOOD PRICE INFLATION HAS DROPPED TO A 17-YEAR LOW OF 3.3 PERCENT IN THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL STATISTICS.

THE LATEST DROP CAME AFTER FOOD PRICES RECORDED THE BIGGEST MONTHLY FALL OUTSIDE A PRICE FREEZE IN ALMOST 18 YEARS. PRICES FELL 0.7 PERCENT IN OCTOBER, THE BIGGEST DROP SINCE A 1 PERCENT FALL IN NOVEMBER 1972.

WARM WEATHER HAS CONTRIBUTED MUCH TO THE GROWING OF TOMATOES AND GREEN LEAF VEGETABLES. THE STATISTICS DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY LOW PRICES FOR FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES, CAULIFLOWERS AND TOMATOES IN PARTICULAR, AND FOR SHEEP MEAT WERE THE MAIN CONTRIBUTORS TO THE FALL IN OCTOBER.

PRICES ALSO FELL FOR SUGAR, SOFT DRINKS AND POTATO CRISPS, BUT ROSE FOR CABBAGES AND CARROTS.

THE FOOD PRICE INDEX SHOWED A 4.6 PERCENT INCREASE IN THE YEAR TO SEPTEMBER. IN OCTOBER 1989 IT STOOD AT 11.7 PERCENT.

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#90316h0066 11/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV. 12) XINHUA - THE PAKISTAN GOVERNMENT HAS SIGNED THREE AGREEMENTS RECENTLY WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES IN A BID TO REVIVE BARTER TRADE,

OFFICIAL SOURCES SAID HERE MONDAY.

OUT OF THE THREE, AN 100 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED EACH BY TRADING CORPORATION OF PAKISTAN (TCP) WITH FINLAND AND SWEDEN. ANOTHER AGREEMENT OF 100 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS WAS SIGNED BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE WITH BULGARIA.

THE GOVERNMENT IS ALSO NEGOTIATING TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT OF 100 MILLION U.S. WITH HUNGARY AND IT IS IN THE FINAL STAGE, THE SOURCES SAID.

PAKISTAN STOPPED BARTER TRADE AFTER JUNE THIS YEAR DUE TO PRESSURE FROM THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND.

UNDER THE RECENTLY SIGNED BARTER TRADE AGREEMENTS, PAKISTAN WILL IMPORT EDIBLE OIL (PALM AND SOYBEAN), GRAIN, FERTILIZER, PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, OIL EXPLORATION EQUIPMENTS, ROAD BUILDING EQUIPMENTS, MINING EQUIPMENTS, VEHICLES AND SPARES, AND TELECOMMUNICATION EQUIPMENTS.

THE LIST OF EXPORTABLE ITEMS INCLUDES RAW COTTON, COTTON WASTE, COTTON YARN, TEXTILE GARMENTS AND MADE-UPS, FINISHED LEATHER GOODS, PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, STEEL MILL PRODUCTS, CARPETS, CHROME ORE, SEA FOOD, RICE, FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

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WELLINGTON (NOV. 12) XINHUA -- A GROUP OF NEW ZEALANDERS INTERNED BY THE JAPANESE DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR IS CLAIMING 14.8 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FROM THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT.

SOME 740 NEW ZEALANDERS ARE EACH CLAIMING 20,000 U.S. DOLLARS FROM THE JAPANESE AS PART OF AN INTERNATIONAL CAMPAIGN BY 240,000 PEOPLE FROM SIX COUNTRIES TO GET ACKNOWLEDGMENT FROM JAPAN OF ITS WAR CRIMES. THE MONEY WAS FOR EACH FORMER PRISONER STILL ALIVE OR FOR THEIR DIRECT NEXT-OF-KIN.

ALMOST ALL OF THE NEW ZEALANDERS INVOLVED WERE CAPTURED IN THE DUTCH EAST INDIES (NOW INDONESIA) DURING THE WAR. ABOUT 75 PERCENT OF THEM WERE CIVILIANS AND MOSTLY OF DUTCH DESCENT, ACCORDING TO HENK ZEEMAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE EX-JAPAN WAR VICTIMS NEW ZEALAND ACTION COMMITTEE.

ZEEMAN SAID THE CLAIM ON BEHALF OF CANADIAN, BRITISH, AMERICAN, AUSTRALIAN, DUTCH AND NEW ZEALAND PRISONERS OF WAR WAS FORWARDED FROM THE HUMAN RIGHTS CENTER IN GENEVA TO JAPAN IN AUGUST.

A LOCAL MEDIA REPORT SAID TODAY THAT THE NEW ZEALAND GROUP APPROACHED THE JAPANESE EMBASSY IN WELLINGTON ON THE MATTER.

ALTHOUGH THE 20,000 U.S. DOLLARS WOULD BE USED TO THOSE SUFFERING MEDICAL

PROBLEMS AS A RESULT OF THEIR INTERNMENT, IT WAS AN ARBITRARY FIGURE AND WHAT THE FORMER PRISONERS REALLY WANTED WAS AN ADMISSION OF GUILT FROM THE JAPANESE THE REPORT SAID.

"IT'S A FEASIBLE AMOUNT FOR THEM TO GIVE US. WE WANT AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT WILL HURT THEM A BIT. AN APOLOGY IS NOT ENOUGH," ZEEMAN SAID, ADDING THAT "THE 20,000 DOLLARS IS NOT ENOUGH FOR WHAT WENT THROUGH, BUT WOULD PUT AN END TO THIS AFFAIR."

HE SAID GENERALLY THERE WAS FAR LESS ANIMOSITY TOWARDS GERMANS FROM THOSE WHO HAD SUFFERED DURING THE WAR BECAUSE WEST GERMANY HAD GIVEN 94 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN REPARATIONS.

THE INTERNATIONAL GROUP SENT A TELEGRAM AT THE WEEKEND TO JAPANESE EMPEROR AKIHITO CONGRATULATING HIM ON HIS ENTHRONEMENT AS EMPEROR. "IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THE WAR CRIMES FOR WHICH JAPAN WAS FOUND GUILTY BY THE INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL OF THE FAR EAST IN WORLD WAR II " THE TELEGRAM SAID.

"WE WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD MAKE THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS TO HAVE THESE CLAIMS CONSIDERED BY YOUR GOVERNMENT AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY," THE TELEGRAM ADDED.

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NINGBO (NOV. 12) XINHUA - THE LARGEST TRADE DOCK OPEN TO TAIWAN BUSINESS IS BEING BUILT IN SHIPU HARBOR, LOCATED IN XIANGSHAN COUNTY OF NINGBO CITY IN SOUTHEAST CHINA'S ZHEJIANG PROVINCE.

SHIPU HARBOR IS A WELL KNOWN SHIP HAVEN. FISHING VESSELS FROM TAIWAN HAVE OFTEN COME TO THE HARBOR DURING THE TYPHOON SEASON TO TAKE SHELTER FROM THE WIND. THE VESSELS USUALLY REPLENISH THEIR OIL SUPPLY AND REPAIR THEIR SHIPS WHILE DOCKED IN THE HARBOR. ILL STRICKEN FISHERMEN HAVE ALSO RECEIVED MEDICAL TREATMENT IN THE HAVEN.

THE NEW 3,000 TON DOCK WILL BE 81 METERS LONG AND 14.5 METERS WIDE, MAKING IT 10 TIMES THE SIZE OF THE DOCK BEING USED NOW. WHEN COMPLETED, IT WILL BE CAPABLE OF BERTHING 5,000 TON VESSELS. IN ADDITION, A 2,000 SQUARE METER RECEPTION BUILDING AND A 1,600 SQUARE METER STOREHOUSE WILL ALSO BE BUILT.

THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE DOCK IS BEING ORGANIZED BY THE NINGBO COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE, A SUBORDINATE TO THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS. THE MAIN PROJECT, THE UNDER WATER PILE DRIVING, IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF THIS YEAR.

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BEIJING (NOV. 12) XINHUA - A CASTOR OIL PLANT WITH AN ANNUAL PROCESSING CAPACITY OF MORE THAN 60,000 TONS, BELIEVED THE LARGEST OF ITS KIND IN THE WORLD, WENT INTO PRODUCTION RECENTLY IN TONGLIAO CITY, IN NORTH CHINA'S INNER MONGOLIA AUTONOMOUS REGION.

THE PLANT IS A JOINT VENTURE BETWEEN A CHEMICAL PLANT IN TONGLIAO AND A REFINERY IN SINGAPORE, AND HAS REGISTERED CAPITAL OF 9.9 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS. ITS MAIN EQUIPMENT IS IMPORTED AND IS RATED AS THE MOST ADVANCED IN THE WORLD ACCORDING TO TODAY'S "PEOPLE'S DAILY" (OVERSEAS EDITION).

ABOUT 70 PERCENT OF THE PLANT'S PRODUCTS WILL BE FOR EXPORT. DURING TRIAL PRODUCTION, THE PLANT EXPORTED 1,500 TONS OF CASTOR OIL. CHINA IS THE SECOND-LARGEST PRODUCER OF CASTOR-OIL PLANTS IN THE WORLD, AND ONE QUARTER OF ITS OUTPUT COMES FROM INNER MONGOLIA.

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GUIYANG (NOV. 12) XINHUA - WORK ON A PHOSPHORUS BASE, ALLEGED TO BE THE LARGEST IN THE COUNTRY, WENT INTO OFFICIAL PRODUCTION ON SUNDAY.

A TOTAL OF 1,400 WORKERS PARTICIPATED IN THE GROUND BREAKING OF THE PHOSPHORUS BASE LOCATED AT THE JUNCTURE BETWEEN FUQUAN AND WENG'AN COUNTIES IN SOUTHWEST CHINA'S GUIZHOU PROVINCE .

THE FUQUAN-WENG'AN PHOSPHORUS BASE WILL BE 17.5 KM LONG AND 2.5 TO FOUR KM WIDE, COVERING AN AREA OF 58 SQ KM. THE KNOWN RESERVES OF THE MINE TOTAL 580 MILLION TONS.

THE BASE WILL INCLUDE A PHOSPHORUS MINE WITH AN EXPECTED ANNUAL OUTPUT OF 2.5 MILLION TONS AND AN AUXILIARY SUPERCALCIUM PLANT WITH AN EXPECTED ANNUAL OUTPUT OF 800,000 TONS. THESE TWO PROJECTS WILL BE COMPLETED IN 1993 AND 1995, RESPECTIVELY.

OF THE TOTAL INVESTMENT OF 2.06 BILLION YUAN, 233 MILLION YUAN IS FROM WORLD BANK LOANS AND 610 MILLION YUAN HAS BEEN BORROWED FROM JAPAN.

THE WHOLE PROJECT HAS BEEN LISTED AS A KEY PROGRAM OF THE STATE'S EIGHTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN (1991-1995).

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BEIJING (NOV. 12) XINHUA - CHINESE PREMIER LI PENG SAID HERE TODAY THAT THE NEXT DECADE WILL WITNESS FAST GROWTH IN CHINA'S TELECOMMUNICATIONS SECTOR.

IN HIS ADDRESS TO THE FIFTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE 14TH

SESSION OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE ASIA-PACIFIC TELECOMMUNITY (APT), LI SAID THAT CHINA IS MAPPING OUT PLANS FOR THE NEXT DECADE AS WELL AS THE NEXT FIVE-YEAR PLAN FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND THAT TELECOMMUNICATIONS WILL PLAY A VERY IMPORTANT ROLE.

"WE WILL PAY ATTENTION NOT ONLY TO QUANTITY BUT ALSO QUALITY," LI SAID, ADDING THAT CHINA WILL DEVELOP DIGITAL EXCHANGE TECHNOLOGY, OPTICAL FIBER, AND SATELLITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS.

ALSO AT TODAY'S OPENING CEREMONY, CHINA'S MINISTER OF POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS YANG TAIFANG SAID THAT BY THE YEAR 2000 CHINA WILL INCREASE ITS TELECOMMUNICATIONS CAPACITY SEVEN-FOLD OVER THAT OF 1980.

THIS MORNING'S CEREMONY WAS ALSO ATTENDED BY DR. PEKKA TARJANNE, SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION, OFFICIALS OF THE APT, AS WELL AS 133 GENERAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATES FROM 21 COUNTRIES AND REGIONS.

DISCUSSION DURING THE FIFTH SESSION WILL INCLUDE THE APT GOALS AND STRATEGY FOR THE NEXT DECADE, AND SPECIFIC PLANS FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS. THE MEETING IS SCHEDULED TO END ON NOVEMBER 23.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION IS HELD IN EVERY THREE YEARS AND THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE HOLDS ANNUAL SESSIONS.

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MEXICO CITY (NOVEMBER 12) XINHUA - PRESIDENTS OF COLOMBIA AND VENEZUELA SIGNED A DECLARATION SUNDAY REAFFIRMING THEIR WILLINGNESS TO SPEED UP BILATERAL INTEGRATION, A COLOMBIAN RADIO BROADCAST REPORTED.

THE DOCUMENT WAS SIGNED DURING A PRIVATE MEETING BETWEEN VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ AND HIS COLOMBIAN COUNTERPART CESAR GAVIRIA IN THE VENEZUELAN BORDER CITY OF SAN CRISTOBAL.

THE AGREEMENT REAFFIRMED THEIR WILLINGNESS TO SPEED UP THE PROCESS OF BILATERAL INTEGRATION.

GAVIRIA AND ANDRES PEREZ ACKNOWLEDGED THE WORK OF SEVERAL BILATERAL COMMISSIONS FOR THE STRENGTHENING OF INTEGRATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, THE BROADCAST SAID.

THE PRESIDENTS REITERATED THEIR WILLINGNESS TO WORK FOR SOLUTIONS TO UNRESOLVED DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS THROUGH DIALOGUE.

THEY SAID THAT THEIR BORDER COOPERATION PLAN WAS A MAJOR STEP FORWARD WITHIN THE LARGER LATIN AMERICAN FRAMEWORK OF REGIONAL INTEGRATION.

THEY CALLED FOR CONTINUED WORK OF THE BILATERAL COMMISSIONS AND AGREED TO HOLD BIANNUAL PRESIDENTIAL MEETINGS TO EVALUATE THE COMMISSIONS' PROGRESS.

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TEHRAN (NOV. 12) XINHUA - IRAN NOW PLANS TO COOPERATE WITH QATAR IN EXPLOITING AN OFF-SHORE GAS FIELD IN THE GULF AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF 3 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS, IRAN'S DEPUTY OIL MINISTER M. NA'IMI SAID HERE TODAY.

PLANS HAVE BEEN DRAFTED FOR JOINT EXPLOITATION OF THE PAS GAS FIELD, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO START PRODUCTION BY THE END OF 1994, THE OFFICIAL ADDED.

THE GAS FIELD, ONE OF THE LARGEST IN THE WORLD, LIES HALFWAY BETWEEN THE IRANIAN COAST AND QATAR.

WITH PROVEN RESERVES OF 14,000 BILLION CUBIC METERS, IRAN IS THE WORLD'S SECOND RICHEST COUNTRY IN GAS RESOURCES, NEXT ONLY TO THE SOVIET UNION.

FACING SHORTAGES OF HARD CURRENCY, IRAN HAS DECIDED TO SEEK FOREIGN COOPERATION IN DEVELOPING ITS GAS INDUSTRY.

NA'IMI DISCLOSED THAT IRAN IS CURRENTLY EXPORTING 2 TO 3 BILLION CUBIC METERS OF NATURAL GAS ANNUALLY SINCE THE SOUTHERN KANGAN GAS REFINERY STARTED OPERATION IN MARCH.

THE SOVIET UNION IS THE BIGGEST BUYER OF IRANIAN GAS. THE TWO COUNTRIES RESUMED THEIR GAS DEAL IN APRIL AFTER AN 11-YEAR BREAK.

THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC IS ALSO STRIVING TO EXPORT GAS TO YUGOSLAVIA, BULGARIA, FRANCE AND ITALY.

WITH THE EXISTING PIPELINES PUMPING 3 BILLION CUBIC METERS OF IRANIAN NATURAL GAS TO THE SOVIET UNION ANNUALLY, IRAN PLANS TO LAY ANOTHER PIPELINE THROUGH TURKEY BY SEEKING FOREIGN INVEST- MENTS.

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TOKYO (NOV. 12) KYODO - NAMIBIAN FOREIGN MINISTER THEO BEN GURIRAB ON MONDAY REQUESTED MORE JAPANESE INVESTMENT IN HIS COUNTRY, FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

GURIRAB TOLD JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER TARO NAKAYAMA THAT HIS COUNTRY HAS PROMOTED EFFORTS TO BUILD ITS ECONOMY SINCE ITS INDEPENDENCE FROM SOUTH AFRICA ON MARCH 21.

GURIRAB REQUESTED FURTHER ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL HELP FROM JAPAN, AND ASKED TOKYO TO INCREASE TRADE WITH AND INVESTMENT IN NAMIBIA. HE ALSO ASKED JAPAN TO PURCHASE URANIUM ORE FROM HIS COUNTRY, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

NAKAYAMA RESPONDED THAT JAPAN HOPES TO SUPPORT NAMIBIA'S STATE-BUILDING EFFORTS, AND ASKED GURIRAB TO SPECIFY THE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE NAMIBIA EXPECTS FROM JAPAN.

NAKAYAMA ALSO URGED GURIRAB TO CONSULT WITH JAPANESE BUSINESS CIRCLES ON TRADE AND INVESTMENT MATTERS.

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#90316k0035 11/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 12) KYODO - FOREIGN MINISTER TARO NAKAYAMA TOLD BHUTAN'S FOREIGN MINISTER DAWA TSERING ON MONDAY THAT JAPAN WILL CONTINUE HELPING THE NATION WITH ITS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

NAKAYAMA, MEETING TSERING AT THE MINISTRY'S IIKURA GUESTHOUSE, ALSO SAID HE WANTS TO PROMOTE YOUTH EXCHANGES BETWEEN JAPAN AND BHUTAN AS WELL AS OTHER SOUTH ASIAN NATIONS.

NOTING THAT JAPAN AND BHUTAN HAVE STRENGTHENED BILATERAL TIES RECENTLY, NAKAYAMA SAID JAPAN WILL CONTINUE EXTENDING ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO BHUTAN, PARTICULARLY IN THE FIELD OF AGRICULTURE.

NAKAYAMA ASKED TSERING ABOUT THE PROSPECT FOR A PLANNED SUMMIT MEETING OF THE SOUTH ASIAN ASSOCIATION FOR REGIONAL COOPERATION (SAARC) TO BE HELD NEXT WEEK, FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

SAARC, FORMED BY INDIA, PAKISTAN, BANGLADESH, SRI LANKA, NEPAL, THE MALDIVES, AND BHUTAN, AIMS TO WORK TOGETHER FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SOUTH ASIAN REGION.

TSERING EXPRESSED PESSIMISM ABOUT THE MEETING AND SUGGESTED HE COULD NOT EXPECT MUCH FROM THE ASIAN GROUP UNLESS POLITICAL SITUATION IN THE AREA TURNED MORE FAVORABLE, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

TSERING PRAISED JAPAN'S ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL AID TO THE COUNTRY, THEY SAID.

TSERING TOLD NAKAYAMA THAT JAPAN CAN PLAY A GREATER ROLE FOR WORLD PEACE AND PROSPERITY.

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#90316k0036 11/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 12) KYODO - A JAPANESE DANCER SET OFF FIRECRACKERS MONDAY AT A

ROADSIDE IN TOKYO SHORTLY BEFORE EMPEROR AKIHITO PASSED BY IN A MOTORCADE AND WAS IMMEDIATELY ARRESTED BY POLICE.

GENSHU HANAYANAGI, 49, A PERFORMER OF TRADITIONAL JAPANESE DANCE, WAS DETAINED ON CHARGES OF VIOLATING THE ROAD TRAFFIC LAW, POLICE SAID.

THEY SAID HANAYANAGI SET OFF THE FIRECRACKERS BY THE ROADSIDE IN THE AOYAMA DISTRICT AS THE EMPEROR'S MOTORCADE WAS APPROACHING.

AT THE SOUND OF THE FIRECRACKERS, POLICE MOTORCYCLISTS PROTECTING THE MOTORCADE SWERVED TOWARD THE CONVERTIBLE CAR CARRYING EMPEROR AKIHITO AND EMPRESS MICHIKO, BUT THE PROCESSION ITSELF WAS NOT AFFECTED.

EARLIER IN THE SAME AREA, POLICE ALSO TOOK AWAY THREE MEN WHO TRIED TO PUT UP A BANNER INSCRIBED WITH A SLOGAN PROTESTING AGAINST THE ENTHRONEMENT CEREMONY.

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#90316k0038 11/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 12) KYODO - PHILIPPINE PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO ON MONDAY ASKED JAPAN TO EXTEND FINANCIAL AID TO HER NATION, SAYING THE PHILIPPINE ECONOMY HAS BEEN HARD HIT BY THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SAID.

AQUINO MADE THE PLEA AT A 20-MINUTE MEETING WITH FINANCE MINISTER RYUTARO HASHIMOTO AT A TOKYO HOTEL. THE MEETING TOOK PLACE ON THE OCCASION OF HER ATTENDANCE OF THE ENTHRONEMENT CEREMONY OF EMPEROR AKIHITO.

FINANCE MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID AQUINO BRIEFED HASHIMOTO ON THE ECONOMIC PLIGHT OF HER NATION, ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF THE RETURN OF MIGRANT WORKERS FROM THE MIDDLE EAST AND THE SHARP UPSWING IN CRUDE OIL PRICES.

SHE SOUGHT JAPAN'S AID ASIDE FROM A LOAN PACKAGE NOW BEING DISCUSSED WITH THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF), THE OFFICIALS SAID.

HOWEVER, HASHIMOTO STOPPED SHORT OF ACCEPTING THE REQUEST IMMEDIATELY, MERELY SAYING HE WANTS THE PHILIPPINES TO PROMOTE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE IMF FIRST, THEY SAID.

IN MAY LAST YEAR THE PHILIPPINES WAS PERMITTED TO OBTAIN 800 MILLION DOLLARS IN AID FROM THE IMF.

BUT THE EXTENSION OF AID HAS BEEN SUSPENDED BECAUSE OF THE ISLAND REPUBLIC'S POSSIBLE FAILURE TO ACHIEVE FISCAL RECONSTRUCTION GOALS IN THE WAKE OF LAST JULY'S STRONG EARTHQUAKE AND THE ENSUING GULF CRISIS.

NEGOTIATIONS ARE NOW UNDER WAY BETWEEN THE PHILIPPINES AND THE IMF REGARDING NEW FISCAL REHABILITATION TARGETS.

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#90316k0043 11/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 12) KYODO - JAPAN AND THE SIX GULF COOPERATION COUNCIL (GCC) COUNTRIES AGREED MONDAY TO EXPAND THEIR RELATIONS OVER A WIDER RANGE OF AREAS, FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER TARO NAKAYAMA REACHED THE ACCORD DURING A GROUP MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, BAHRAIN, KUWAIT, OMAN, QATAR, AND SAUDI ARABIA.

AMONG THEM WERE PRINCE NAWAF BIN ABDULAZIZ AL-SAUD OF SAUDI ARABIA AND KUWAITI MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS SHAIKH NASSER MUHAMMAD AL-AHMAD AL-SABAH.

THE RIYADH-BASED GCC, SET UP IN 1981, AIMS AT PROMOTING COOPERATION AND COORDINATION AMONG ITS MEMBERS.

AL-SAUD, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF ALL THE SIX GCC COUNTRIES, PRAISED JAPAN FOR TAKING A FIRM POSITION AGAINST IRAQ OVER ITS INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

AL-SAUD TOLD NAKAYAMA THAT THE GCC HAS DEMANDED IRAQ MAKE AN UNCONDITIONAL PULLOUT FROM THE OIL-RICH KINGDOM AND THAT THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS SHOULD BE RESOLVED PEACEFULLY.

HE RENEWED GCC CALLS FOR RESTORING THE LEGITIMATE KUWAITI GOVERNMENT, OFFICIALS SAID.

JAPAN AND THE GCC ALSO AGREED THAT THE IRAQI GOVERNMENT SHOULD FREE FOREIGNERS WHO ARE DETAINED AT STRATEGIC LOCATIONS IN IRAQ AS "HUMAN SHIELDS."

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#90316m0004 11/12/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys
FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 12) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"I think we're in the midst of a liquidity crisis ... brought about by the banks being unwilling to lend money to the private sector," says WILLIAM GROSS. "The Federal Reserve can put money into the system ... but if banks aren't willing to lend it to corporations because they are afraid of bad loans and risky loans and writeoffs, then the private economy will suffer. ... We saw some of that in the 1930s, but it's not as bad this time because of safety nets in the economy, but it's a situation that is very serious." He looks for the economy to "stagger" for the next 12 months. ("Wall Street Week", 11/9)

"In general, I don't think you will see the banks react favorably" to a quarter-point cut in the Federal funds rate, says ALAN LERNER at BANKERS TRUST. "In normal times, it might be enough to get the prime down. But right now the banks want to build back profit margins." Another banker, who did not want to be identified, says, "If you wanted to get a quick and dramatic reduction in the prime, you would have to cut the funds rate by 50 basis points." (NYT, 11/12)

"They've got to step on the gas pedal a little bit," STEPHEN GALLAGHER at KIDDER, PEABODY says of Fed credit policy. JEREMY GLUCK at MITSUBISHI BANK puts the odds of the Fed easing the federal funds rate this week at only 50-50 although he does expect a cut by the end of the month. He says a delay until after Friday's CPI report is probable because "the Fed is still concerned about its inflation-fighting image." ("Investor's Daily", 11/12)

"I would be very surprised if the Fed didn't ease [this week]," says DONALD FINE at CHASE MANHATTAN BANK. "We are in the early stages of a recession, one whose mildness or severity is still in question. And the lack of economic activity will help to fight inflation." (NYT, 11/12)

"It's clear that Federal Reserve policy is in favor of lower interest rates to offset the negative economic implications of higher taxes," says S.E. CANADAY JR. at JOHN NUVEEN & CO. ("Investor's Daily", 11/12)

With indicators such as the CRB index showing a decline in inflation, the Fed has no reason not to ease rates at this week's FOMC meeting, says ALBERT GROSS economist at REFCO. "The Fed has been late in responding, by any historical measure," says Gross. "With the domestic economy this weak, the Fed has to focus on the major effort of stimulating." (CNBC "World Business", 11/12)

The U.S. economy is dependent on foreign capital and the Fed has to keep rates high enough to keep foreign capital here, says WALTER WILLIAMS of AMERICAN BUSINESS ECONOMETRICS. "If foreign capital leaves our system, which it is beginning to do, you'll see an intensified liquidity crisis which pushes rates higher." Williams, who believes the core rate of inflation is still too high, says the Fed might lower the funds rate by a quarter point, "but that's not enough to stimulate the economy ... two percent, three percent, even four percent is what's needed [and] there's just not the ability to lower rates by that magnitude." (FNN "A.M. Business Report", 11/12)

"What has the Treasury market so solidly on the long side is the belief that the Fed will soon move to ease credit further," says JONATHAN GREENSPAN at AEGIS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. "This is one reason why few are concerned that a large portion of this week's record refunding issues are still on dealer shelves." (NYT, 11/10)

"What you're witnessing now is a classic flight to quality," says SKIP SHAW, head of government bond trading at BEAR STEARNS & CO. "People want high

quality assets." CHARLES LIEBERMAN of MANUFACTURERS HANOVER SECURITIES says the success of last week's Treasury auction "was a function of the willingness of domestic investors to buy domestic securities and fortunately replace foreign investors." ("The Washington Post", 11/10)

"Bucking the growing optimism among many bond market professionals, some of the top investment newsletters are warning readers to shun long-term bonds," reports "The Wall Street Journal." (WSJ, 11/12)

THE ECONOMY:

"To a large extent, this is a yuppie recession," says EDWARD YARDENI of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. "If the Fed really is coming around now to recognizing that the economy is falling into a recession, we'll have a big drop in interest rates that I think will revive consumer spending by the first quarter. The recession is almost over." ((NYT, 11/11)

"It now seems very likely that America's longest peacetime expansion is about to come to an end," says ROBERT EGGERT of EGGERT ECONOMIC ENTERPRISES. Also editor of "Blue Chip Economic Indicators," he says 80% of the 55 economists polled in his latest monthly survey feel a downturn will start before the end of 1990 and an additional 5% see a downturn starting in 1991. ("Investor's Daily", 11/12)

"Like many forecasters, we expect the fourth quarter of 1990 and the first quarter of 1991 to evidence slower growth," says MICHAEL BOSKIN, chairman of PRESIDENT BUSH's COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS. "Whether we slip into negative territory remains to be seen, though it is most likely to happen in the fourth quarter of 1990. ... I will say that our current forecast - which will be revised in the next month or so - does call for a slowdown in the economy in late 1990 and early 1991. It is consistent with narrowly skirting recession and gradual recovery, or one or two negative quarters and a more rapid rise." ("Barron's", 11/12)

Economist HENRY KAUFMAN, who runs his own consulting company, says the economy has started a recession that will run from six to 15 months, probably about 12 months. He sees unemployment reaching at least 7% and hanging there and a "feeble recovery." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/9)

"It appears unlikely the oil shock will be translated" into sharp price increases throughout the economy as happened in the 1970s, says DAVID JONES at AUBREY G. LANSTON & CO. "The big difference is that the economy is weaker now." ("Investor's Daily", 11/12)

"Abstracting from energy prices, what you saw here [in the wholesale price report] was a continuation of the trend towards moderating goods prices that we were seeing before the Iraq crisis erupted," says PIERRE ELLIS at THE BOSTON CO. "There was also no sign the oil price shock is being reflected in

the price of other goods." DAVID BLITZER, chief economist at STANDARD & POORS'S, says "what the Fed has to realize is because we have a weak economy, the rise in oil is not a big risk of spreading inflation throughout the economy." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/9)

"The climate is not going to be favorable for an increase in inflation," says economist ROBERT DEDERICK at NORTHERN TRUST CO. in Chicago. "We're in a bad inflation patch now, but we'll get through it." ("The Washington Post", 11/10)

"I think we're going through the tail-end of a convulsion necessary to bring us into a stronger economic position and I think that's why we are in the kind of situation that appears to be a problem," says MONTE GORDON at DREYFUS. "I don't think it really is a problem. I think is part of the economy structuring itself for what [would] be a problem. ... We're fighting for survivorship and we're cutting down and ridding ourselves of those people that were unnecessary those inefficiencies that we built into the system. That's what's coming out." He looks for an upturn around the middle of 1991. ("Wall Street Week", 11/9)

"The flat core rate [in the Friday PPI report] ought to cool off some of the inflation psychology that's flying around out there," says RON SCHREIBMAN, vice president of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WHOLESALER-DISTRIBUTORS. (NYT, 11/10)

IN WASHINGTON:

The FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION is proposing fines of $250,000 each for PACIFIC BELL, SOUTHWESTERN BELL, NEW YORK TELEPHONE and NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE. They are accused of accounting rule violations. (WSJ, 11/12)

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#90316p5601 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PEAPACK, NJ (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Beneficial Insurance Group, Inc., a wholly owned, credit-related subsidiary of Beneficial Corporation (NYSE: BNL) has launched a pilot program that offers life and disability insurance services in the Columbus, Ohio area.

Operating under the name B.I.G. Insurance Agency, Inc., the new Beneficial business will offer a full line of products including whole life, interest-sensitive and universal life, term life, and individual disability insurance.

"After extensive research, we concluded that the Beneficial customer has a broad range of needs that are not adequately addressed by conventional insurance approaches," said Finn M.W. Caspersen, chairman and chief executive officer of Beneficial Corporation of Wilmington, Del.

"Our close-knit relationship with customers, our awareness of customer needs from years of lending experience, and our focus on customer service place us in a better position to help our customer," Caspersen said.

"We will select only the highest quality insurance products at the most reasonable rates for our customers," said Daniel R. O'Brien, president and chief executive officer of the Beneficial Insurance Group. B.I.G. Insurance Agency will offer customers an evaluation of their insurance needs to help them establish comprehensive family financial plans.

The B.I.G. Insurance Agency will operate independently from Beneficial's consumer finance system branch office network.

Robert M. Merryman of Worthington, Ohio, has been named agency director of the office. Merryman, a 20-year veteran of the finance and insurance business, will manage the office and lead a staff of 19, including 10 insurance sales representatives.

The B.I.G. Insurance Agency office is located at 6400 Office Square (6422 East Main Street).

The Beneficial Insurance Group is a subsidiary of Beneficial Corporation, which is based in Wilmington. Beneficial Corporation provides consumer financial services through its various operating subsidiaries located throughout the United States and in Canada, the United Kingdom and Germany.

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#90316p5616 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation (NYSE: COG) has declared a dividend of 4 cents per share of the company's common stock for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The dividend will be paid Nov. 30, 1990 to shareholders of record as of the close of business Nov. 20, 1990.

Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation is a leading producer of natural gas in the Appalachian and Anadarko Basins. The company is headquartered in Houston, with regional offices in Pittsburgh; Charleston, W.Va.; and Oklamhoma City, Okla.

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#90316p5620 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN BRUNO, CALIF. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was released today by North Lily Mining Co. (NASDAQ: NLMC):

Recent exploration on the Star Lake property, which is adjacent to the Jolu mine in northern Saskatchewan, has resulted in the discovery of a new structure called the "Ducksnest." While too early to determine the significance of this discovery, exploration to date has been encouraging and assays from selected grab samples are as follows:

Sample No.	Assay Result Ounces of gold per ton
59030	0.268
59031	0.005
59032	2.706
59033	1.240
59034	1.531

Additional exploration is underway to determine the extent of this discovery. The Star Lake property is held under option and International Mahogany and Corona Corp. have a right to earn a 100 percent interest in this property. Corona is the operator of International Mahogany's Jolu mine, and earned a 30 percent interest in the property by placing it into production. Because of the proximity of Star Lake to Jolu, any ore mined on the property may economically be processed in the Jolu mill.

North Lily controls 59 percent of International Mahogany Corp.

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#90316p5621 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Kroy Inc., an international labeling, lettering and sign company, has developed the world's first digital lettering system capable of printing in either the Thai language or in English.

Kroy Printing Products, a division of Kroy Inc. and Gestetner (Thailand) Co. Ltd. will introduce the new product, Jester(TM), at a special exhibition at the Hilton International Hotel in Bangkok, Thailand, Nov. 13-14. Gestetner will be the exclusive distributor of the product in Thailand.

The two companies will work closely to determine other market-specific products for Thailand that will also be developed by Kroy and distributed by Gestetner.

"The Jester provides the advantage of high-quality print on an adhesive strip ready to apply as call outs to technical drawings, aerial site photos and maps

" said Robert Vandevoort, head of Kroy Inc.'s international division.

It's also an ideal method to quickly add sequential numbers to finished technical drawings, to produce repetitive text, label a computer disk, video tape, three-ring binder (using vertical printing) or any application where reproducible, legible identification is required.

The portable, keyboarded Jester is based on the technology of Kroy's popular DuraType 240 lettering system. About the size of a desktop calculator or telephone -- and as easy to use -- the modern design of the Jester forms its own sleek carrying case. It's styled to be visually appealing on the desktop.

Jester has two resident fonts -- 24-point Kroy Siam with a complete Thai character base and 24-point Helvetica Medium. The Thai resident font will support unlimited combinations of consonants, vowels and tone marks. Access to Thai or English is determined by depressing the font selection key.

The characters entered into the system can be viewed on the liquid crystal display (LCD) in either Thai or English, depending on the font selected. All messages, prompts and alerts on the LCD are in English. The Jester uses the standard typewriter-style keyboard with an overlay of Thai characters.

Kroy will be releasing additional Thai language typestyle fonts for the Jester in the coming months.

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#90316p5627 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) will expand its relationship with Mitsubishi Motors following the collapse of talks with Italy's Fiat Auto S.p.A., the industry trade paper Automotive News reports in its Nov. 12 edition.

Chrysler and Mitsubishi are likely to increase joint product development and production in the United States and possibly in the Far East following Chrysler's failed bid to strengthen its presence in Europe via Fiat, Automotive News said.

The talks between Chrysler and Fiat collapsed Nov. 2. Both sides blamed poor global economic conditions for thwarting a deal.

The newspaper quotes Chrysler Motors President Robert Lutz saying that the "JJ" junior Jeep that was supposed to be a joint venture has not been canceled but that the vehicle is up for review.

Automotive News is published each Monday in Detroit by Crain Communications

Inc., a privately held company. Crain Communications publishes 26 consumer, business and trade publications including Advertising Age, Detroit Monthly, Crain's Detroit Business and AutoWeek.

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#90316p5630 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) and Amersham International of England today announced the formation of a jointly owned company in clinical immunodiagnostics to be called Amerlite Diagnostics Limited.

Amersham, headquartered 25 miles northwest of London, holds a leading position in the fields of health care diagnostics and life-sciences research.

The new enterprise will incorporate all of Amersham's current clinical reagents business including radioimmunoassays, enhanced luminescence assays, and new developments in automated systems and biosensors. Amersham businesses in life sciences, pharmaceuticals and industrial products are not included in this venture.

Jose Coronas, vice president and general manager of Kodak's Clinical Products Division, said, "Kodak is committed to the long-range growth of our in-vitro diagnostics business. This agreement with Amersham will allow us to quickly establish our presence in the fast-growing $3 billion immunodiagnostics segment of that market. That segment is growing at the estimated rate of 10-12 percent annually with margins higher than other segments. As the clinical chemistry and immunodiagnostics segments grow closer together, Kodak will be well-positioned to compete in both segments."

By terms of the agreement, Amersham and Kodak will both invest in Amerlite Diagnostics Limited. Kodak has committed to contribute $58.5 million at current exchange rates.

Amersham will contribute all assets of its Clinical Reagents Divison (CRD) business other than property. This includes fixed assets, inventory, patents, technology, brand names and product lines, leases and other aspects of the business.

A provision is made in the agreement for an option under which Kodak may assume total ownership of Amerlite Diagnostics any time after two years from the signing date.

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#90316p5641 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WAYNE, IND. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Lincoln Foodservice Products, Inc. (NASDAQ: LINN) today announced operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Third quarter net income was $226,000 or $.07 per share, on net sales of $10,973,000, compared to net income of $319,000 or $.10 per share, on comparable 1989 net sales of $12,355,000.

For the first nine months of 1990, Lincoln's net income was $215,000, equivalent to $.07 per share, on net sales of $32,941,000. In 1989, Lincoln's net income for the first nine months was $799,000, equivalent to $.24 per share, on net sales of $35,535,000.

Earnings for the quarter reflect one-time costs associated with the special committee study of alternatives to enhance Lincoln's stock value. Those costs amounted to $125,000 before tax, or $.02 per share after taxes. Excluding those costs, 1990 third quarter earnings would have been $.09.

Earnings for the year reflect the costs associated with the special committee study and a write-off taken during the second quarter of Lincoln's investment in Bay-Lea Industries Limited, which amounted to $.10 per share after taxes during the first nine months. Excluding the two non-recurring charges, Lincoln's earning through Sept. 30, 1990 would have been $.19 per share.

In commenting on operations, Thomas C. Griffith, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We are encouraged that Lincoln's sales of supplies have approximated 1989 levels given the weakening economy and softening of food service markets. Sales of supplies were down less than 1 percent on a quarter-to-quarter comparison basis; revenue from supplies for the first nine-months of 1990, excluding a $1,000,000 one- time pizza pan order last year, increased 2 percent from 1989 levels."

Griffith continued, "We experienced continued sales declines in our most prominent equipment line: Impinger(R) ovens. Sales of our two- foot Impinger were down from 1989 primarily as a result of a dissolved joint venture between Pizza Hut and Marriott, one of our major customers during last year. The decline in sales of our three-foot Impinger is due to continued competition from larger capacity air-impingement ovens."

New ovens offer new growth "The downward trend in Impinger sales should reverse as our two new Impinger products begin to find their place in the market. Our high- capacity, low-profile oven, introduced in September, has been well- received by customers. With the introduction of the countertop Impinger, Lincoln will have products to offer any food service establishment requiring fast, efficient, high-quality cooking technology -- regardless of capacity requirements or space constraints. These product launches offer increased market opportunities for our high- margin equipment lines; we are

optimistic concerning their contribution to our business in 1991."

"To concentrate our efforts on these new product introductions, early in the fourth quarter we decided to sell our Galley(R) and Steam'r Oven(R) product lines. The primary reason for the decision was to support our new products while at the same time allowing increased sales emphasis on our existing Wear-Ever(R) and Impinger lines. At this early date, we are unable to determine whether a gain or loss will result or whether it will be material to our 1990 results." noted Griffith.

Improved margins, lower cost, and a strong balance sheet "Through sound planning Lincoln's financial position is strong. We have been fortunate that our raw material costs declined early this year and are currently holding steady, which has allowed us to compete more effectively. We have taken full advantage of that trend by exercising stringent controls over discretionary items effecting the cost of products sold. The result is an improvement in our gross profit margin during the year, achieved despite increased sales promotion expense and discounts allowed on certain lines."

"We have continued to reduce selling, general, and administrative expenses during 1990. While we have cut costs in most discretionary categories, we have increased our expenditures in research and development as well as in advertising and promotion.

We view costs in these areas as investments in our business, and we will not inhibit the resources needed to develop and promote our products," added Griffith.

"Our cash position continues to be strong, and our debt-to-equity ratio at Sept. 30, 1990 is 0.28:1 compared to 0.31:1 at Dec. 31, 1989. This ratio continues to improve as we make principal payments on existing debt and incur no new debt."

"While we expect some fourth quarter earnings improvement, we strongly believe that our new product introductions, combined with a strong balance sheet, will enable us to compete more effectively while improving earnings in 1991 in light of its economic uncertainty," concluded Griffith.

Lincoln Foodservice Products, Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets commercial and institutional foodservice cooking equipment and utensils. The company, which produces Impinger(R) conveyor ovens, Steam'r Oven(R) combi-cookers, Wear-Ever(R) and Centurion(R) foodservice utensils, Redco(R) food slicers, cutters, and wedgers, Galley(R) food serving equipment, and Fresh-O-Matic(R) food warmers, markets its products internationally through its own sales force and a network of 1500 distributors worldwide.

LINCOLN FOODSERVICE PRODUCTS, INC.
Selected Financial Data

(Unaudited, in thousands except per share)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$10,973	$12,355	$32,941	$35,535
Pre-tax income	367	518	351	1,299
Income taxes	141	199	136	500
Net income	$ 226	$ 319	$ 215	$ 799
Wtd. avg. shares outstanding	3,294,000	3,294,000	3,294,000	3,286,000
Net income per share	$ .07	$ .10	$ .07	$ .24

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#90316p5643 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Genex Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: GNEX) announced last Friday that commencing Nov. 15 it will begin a series of staff reductions that will reduce the number of its employees from 65 to approximately 28 over the next several months in order to reduce its operating expenses.

The remaining employees represent a core group of scientists and management personnel that the company views as essential to support projects that it believes have the greatest market potential, including Surgical Bioadhesives, SCA Antigen-Binding Proteins, and its existing corporate collaborations.

Reed Prior, Genex's new president and CEO said: "Due to today's financial climate, biotechnology companies such as ours have encountered much difficulty in obtaining financing. This reduction helps to stretch our existing cash reserves, and we believe that the resulting lower operating expenses will make Genex more attractive to potential investors."

The company also announced that it has entered into letters of intent to sell the two major components of its bioseparations unit to two separate buyers. The sales remain subject to the negotiation of definitive agreements, satisfactory completion of due diligence by the prospective buyers and other conditions.

Genex Corporation utilizes its proprietary expertise in protein engineering to design and produce specialized pharmaceuticals and surgical bioadhesives.

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#90316p5652 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - GE Information Services, a leading global provider of network-based value-added application services, and Data Exchange International (DXI), a leading software company specializing in tariff automation, have formed an agreement that will enable GE Information Services to provide tariff automation services to the ocean carrier and liner shipping conference industry.

GE Information Services will offer the DXI tariff software, called RateMaster, as part of GE's worldwide CARGO-LINK Services, a recently launched family of computer and network-based services for the trade community. CARGO-LINK provides information management capabilities such as Electronic Data Interchange, electronic mail and database access tailored to the needs of the parties involved in moving and managing cargo door-to-door.

In light of the U.S. Federal Maritime Commission's move toward mandatory electronic tariff filing during 1991, this offering from GE Information

Services represents a strategic solution for carriers and shipping conferences seeking a sophisticated solution to their U.S. Trade and automation of their Tariff Management worldwide.

RateMaster provides international ocean tariff rating and management capabilities. It creates tariff entries in data element form and enables automatic electronic distribution to clients, authorities and agents almost anywhere in the world.

The RateMaster capabilities within the CARGO-LINK Services include tariff creation, filing, retrieval, distribution, maintenance and updates. It makes use of technologies such as commodity indexes, keyword searching of commodities and tariff rules, global location validation and tariff records.

DXI's expertise to develop RateMaster was gained from within the maritime industry, initially on tariff filing, retrieval and distribution within the Federal Maritime Commission regulated routes.

RateMaster is developed on UNIX and is available on GE Information Services' worldwide network or on a client's own UNIX computer.

Tariff data is used to create freight quotations, to perform statistical analysis and to calculate bottom line bill of lading rates.

DXI, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is a leading provider of tariff automation software.

GE Information Services, a division of GE Company (NYSE: GE), USA, is a global provider of network-based information services and support, headquartered in Rockville.

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LOWELL, MASS. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Wang Laboratories Inc. (AMEX: WAN) and ITT Hartford Insurance Group today announced a strategic alliance for continuing development and marketing of an automated property and casualty claim processing application.

The work management application, jointly developed by Wang and The Hartford, enables 100 percent of vital information and 100 percent of claim handling procedures to be managed with a computer system during the entire claim settlement process. The application integrates data, text, image, and voice processing into a dynamic, customer-oriented transaction environment. The results are significant reductions in operating costs, increases in customer service capabilities, and improvements in work process quality.

"Claim automation has allowed us to re-engineer the activities and methods that make up a claim professional's workday by minimizing 'getting ready to work' activities and maximizing the 'main work' of claim handling," said Jack Crawford, vice president of Information Management at The Hartford. "We are at the forefront of how a claim office will operate during the 1990s."

"Rather than simply automating manual processes or creating electronic file cabinets, this application taps the power of integrated imaging and changes how information is viewed and processed in a claim office," said Jeanne McCann vice president, Financial Services Applications Engineering at Wang. "This alliance demonstrates customer confidence in Wang both as a supplier of innovative solutions and as a business partner."

The solution will be marketed by Wang to insurance companies worldwide. The Hartford will pilot the fully integrated version of the application in a 42-person production site at its Pittsburgh claim office starting in December.

The Wang/ITT Hartford application runs on Wang Integrated Image Systems (WIIS) which are based on Wang VS mid-range computers and use Wang's PACE database management system.

With the integrated claim automation application, incoming paperwork, such as customer correspondence, standard insurance forms, doctors' reports, and repair estimates, is scanned upon arrival into the system and placed into electronic files. The application supplies automatic indexing capabilities to attach incoming images to the claim information database, creates "activity logs" that record relevant activities in the claim life cycle, and provides electronic work routing and management.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Weitek Corp. (NASDAQ: WWTK) today announced that Microsoft's PostScript-compatible TrueImage(TM) page description language version 1.0 will be supported on Weitek's family of page printer processors. The price/performance advantages of both the Weitek processors and Microsoft's TrueImage PDL deliver a page printing solution that provides OEMs with a competitive and full-featured alternative to current printer solutions.

Weitek's XL-8220, which is optimized for page printer applications, integrates a number of printer-specific functions onto a 32-bit RISC chip, saving board space, lowering system cost and significantly reducing time to market compared to other printer processors. These characteristics make the XL-8220 the best

price/performance solution currently available for PostScript based printer controllers and their alternatives. The TrueImage PDL offers PostScript compatibility, TrueType(TM) fonts, enhanced communications with the operating system and an open architecture. TrueImage on Weitek processors will be available in January 1991.

Weitek is the leading supplier of high-performance numeric processing solutions. The company's VLSI circuits and development tools power a broad range of computer systems from minisupercomputers and engineering workstations to desktop computers and page printers.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Weitek Corp. (NASDAQ: WWTK) today announced that the first RISC-based Adobe PostScript(R) printers for the office incorporate Weitek's XL-8200 printer processors. Epson America Inc. and Dataproducts Corp. both have introduced new Adobe PostScript printers selling for under $3,500 and using Weitek's XL-8200 processors for printer controllers. Epson's EPL-7500 printer and Dataproducts' LZR 660 printer use Weitek's XL-8200 RISC processors to provide 2-4 times the performance over comparable priced Motorola-based printers.

The six-page-per-minute Epson EPL-7500 matches the features of today's most popular PostScript printers while operating at twice the performance and selling at a retail price below $3,500. The Dataproducts LZR 660 printer, which also runs at six pages-per-minute and sells for $2,995, is the first laser printer to incorporate PostScript Level 2 software from Adobe. The combination of the Weitek XL-8200 and Adobe's PostScript Level 2 allows the LZR to image complex documents significantly faster and at a lower cost than previous laser printers.

These page printers achieve their high performance level through the use of Weitek's XL-8200 page printer processors, which process PostScript up to six times faster than the 68000-10 MHz, the most widely-used printer controller processor for the office environment. The printer optimized XL-8200 processors get their high speed from their RISC (reduced instruction set computer) architecture and a variety of built-in numerics and graphics processing features. Printers using PostScript require heavy number-crunching to construct detailed bit maps of fonts and graphics.

The PostScript language from Adobe is the standard page description language in the industry, with over 40 licensed OEMs shipping more than 75 PostScript products.

Weitek is the leading supplier of high-performance numeric processing

solutions. The company's VLSI circuits and development tools power a broad range of computer systems from minisupercomputers and engineering workstations to desktop computers and page printers.

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DOWNERS GROVE, ILL. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - HealthCare COMPARE Corp. (NASDAQ: HCCC) announced today that its board of directors has authorized a 2-for-1 common stock split in the form of a 100 percent distribution. The 2-for-1 split is payable on Dec. 17, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 23, 1990. Stockholders will receive on additional share of common stock for each share held of record.

James C. Smith, the company's president and chief executive officer, indicated that the stock split will allow a wider distribution and ownership of COMPARE's stock by improving the marketability of the shares particularly for the retail investor. Smith noted that after the distribution there will be 11,550,550 shares outstanding.

HealthCare COMPARE Corp. is one of the nation's leading independent managed care/cost management companies. The company provides data analysis, extensive utilization management and provider negotiation services (PPO development and management). Its services are provided to indemnity health care payers as well as alternative delivery systems. The company manages costs and utilization without compromising the quality of care available to health care plan participants.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Sanifill, Inc. (NYSE: FIL) announced quarterly results today for its third quarter of fiscal 1990:

SANIFILL, INC.

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$ 9,409	$6,885	$28,786	$19,808
Income from cont. opers.	1,988	974	5,397	2,420
Net income	1,988	974	5,397	586

Earnings per share:				
Continuing operations	$ .20	$ .11	$ .57	$ .28
Net income	$ .20	$ .11	$ .57	$ .07

According to Al Warrington, Sanifill's chairman, the results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 are in line with analysts' estimates for the quarter.

Sanifill, Inc., headquartered in Houston, is an environmental services company specializing in nonhazardous waste disposal.

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NAPERVILLE, ILL. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - First Midwest Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FMBI) today announced that it has acquired the approximate $82 million Home Savings, a Federal Savings and Loan Association, Joliet, Ill., from the Resolution Trust Corp.

The acquisition took the form of a "clean" thrift purchase and assumption transaction that saw approximately $82 million in core deposits assumed by First Midwest Bank, the company's $900 million bank headquartered in Joliet. The bank simultaneously purchased certain assets of Home, with purchased loans and other assets being subject to liberal putback rights, and acquired options to purchase still other assets of Home. Consideration of $3.5 million was paid by the bank. The former thrift will be operated as a branch of the bank.

"This acquisition represents a cost effective enhancement of our already strong presence in southwestern metro Chicago's Joliet/Will County market where we are the largest bank," said Robert P. O'Meara, First Midwest Bancorp president and CEO. "Our Joliet bank has experienced significant expansion over the last two years and continues to enjoy excellent financial performance returning in excess of 22 percent on average equity and 1.3 percent on average assets in the first nine months of 1990."

With total assets of approximately $2.4 billion, First Midwest Bancorp is one of Illinois' largest bank holding companies, operating 35 banking and five trust offices in northern Illinois.

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#90316p5669 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWPORT NEWS, VA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Flight International Group, Inc. announced today that it has executed a non-binding letter of intent with The Carlyle Group, L.P., a private merchant bank based in Washington, relating to

the possible sale of equity securities to be issued by Flight International to such entity or one of its affiliates. The letter of intent provides that the parties intend to enter into negotiations toward the preparation and execution of mutually satisfactory definitive agreements to be executed by Dec. 15, 1990.

The letter provides that, subject to certain conditions, the purchaser would make a capital contribution to Flight International in the form of preferred and common equity. Consummation of the transaction, which is expressly subject to a number of significant conditions, would result in the purchaser owning a majority interest in Flight International. Flight International has stated that it intends to file a Current Report on Form 8-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to the execution of the letter of intent.

Nelson Happy, the chairman and chief executive officer of Flight International stated, "We are very enthusiastic about the prospects of completing this transaction. It clearly represents a major step in our efforts to restructure Flight International."

Flight International also announced that on Nov. 9, 1990 the U.S. District Court Judge presiding over the consolidated class action lawsuit against Flight International and certain other defendants signed and entered a final order approving the settlement of such lawsuit.

The Flight International Group is a leader in aviation services with interests in government and military contracts as well as commercial flight operations.

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#90316p5672 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Arkla, Inc. (NYSE: ALG) and Diversified Energies, Inc. (DEI) (NYSE: DEI), said today that they are pleased with the decision of the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to reconsider last Friday's 2-1 vote disapproving the proposed merger of Minnegasco -- the natural gas distribution company of DEI -- into Arkla. Friday evening, the PUC said it plans to schedule a hearing of the full commission as soon as possible to reconsider the decision.

Company officials said that DEI and Arkla are committed to obtaining a favorable PUC decision and that the special shareholders' meetings of Arkla and DEI remain scheduled for Nov. 28, 1990.

Arkla and DEI are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbols ALG and DEI, respectively.

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#90316p5674 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINTER HAVEN, FLA. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - P. Scott Linder, chairman of the board of Scotty's Inc., died yesterday at age 68.

John B. Ellis, vice chairman, and Daryl L. Lansdale, president and chief executive officer of Scotty's, issued the following statement:

"Scott Linder's passing is a great loss to Scotty's. His leadership and wise counsel over the years have been of immeasurable worth, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his family and many friends. He will be greatly missed."

Mr. Linder had served on Scotty's board since 1973 and was its chairman since August, 1988. He was founder of Linder Industrial Machinery Company, Lakeland and served as its chairman.

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#90316p5675 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Witco Corporation (NYSE: WIT) today announced the completion of its acquisition of the surfactants and emulsifier businesses of DeSoto, Inc. (NYSE: DSO). Included in the purchase are two plants; one in Harahan, La., the other in Forth Worth, Texas. The purchase price, including inventories, amounted to approximately $65 million.

Surfactants at these locations are generally sold as process aids to facilitate formulations manufactured by the personal care, agricultural, oil field chemical, and numerous other general industries.

"We are especially pleased to bring this to a successful completion as it will allow us to better serve our surfactants customers," said Witco chairman and chief executive officer William R. Toller.

The Harahan and Fort Worth facilities will be managed by Witco's Organics Division which operates six other surfactants plants two of which are located in Santa Fe Springs, Calif.; two more in the Chicago area; and one each in Perth Amboy, N.J. and Houston. Other Witco surfactants operations include Oakville, Ontario and Elbeuf, France.

Witco manufactures specialty chemical and petroleum products and engineered materials with annual sales of approximately $1.6 billion.

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#90316p5683 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKY MOUNT, N.C. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Rocky Mount Undergarment Co., Inc. (NASDAQ: RMUC) today reported increased sales of $4,668,000 for the third quarter of 1990 compared to $4,187,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Net sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $13,763,000 compared to $13,963,000 in the first nine months of 1989 (after excluding $8,412,000 of sales of the Company's menswear division which was sold in June 1989).

Operations in the third quarter of 1990 resulted in a lower net loss of $85,000 ($.03 per share) compared to a loss from operations in the third quarter of 1989 of $223,000 ($.07) per share). Operations in the first nine months of 1990 resulted in a net loss of $332,000 ($.11 per share) compared to a loss from operations before gain on disposition of the menswear division and income taxes in the first nine months of 1989 of $274,000. Net earnings of $1,560,000 ($.47 per share) for the first nine months of 1989 include $1,834,000 gain on disposition of the menswear division.

The Company is in a strong financial position with little debt. Available short-term borrowings are sufficient to meet all current cash requirements. Inventories were leaner at the end of the third quarter, being at their lowest levels this year and lower than their year-end 1989 levels.

Rocky Mount manufactures and markets basic and fashion underwear and sleepwear for women and children.

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#90316p5684 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHERRY HILL, NJ (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Mediscience Technology Corporation (NASDAQ: MDSC) plans to begin clinical tests in 1991 of a cancer detection instrument that uses ultraviolet light to detect malignant tumors and distinguish them from benign and normal tissues, it was announced today by Peter Katevatis, president.

The Mediscience announcement follows the disclosure last week, at the 1990 annual meeting in Boston of the Optical Society of America, that scientists developing the instrument have obtained "excellent results" applying the ultraviolet method -- a new technique -- in important gynecological areas, including breast, ovary and cervix tissues. The technique involves directing ultraviolet light at suspected tissue and measuring the resulting fluorescence

(or colors) emitted without using external or extrinsic dyes.

The scientists are working under Robert R. Alfano, director of the City College of New York's Institute of Ultrafast Spectroscopy and Lasers (IUSL) and chairman of the scientific advisory board of Mediscience. He said the IUSL results "confirm that malignant tumors can be distinguished from benign tissues when the ratio of intensities of the tissue's native fluorescence is observed at different, specific wavelengths."

In his statement, Katevatis said: "The progress achieved by the Institute of Ultrafast Spectroscopy and Lasers has reached the stage where Mediscience can begin contacting medical institutions to inform them that a prototype is expected to be available for field testing next year. If testing is successful, it would represent a first step for clinical use and be a major breakthrough in the search for a light-based diagnostic instrument for optical biopsy, and serve to complement current diagnostic methods."

At the Optical Society of America's annual meeting, a presentation by two members of Alfano's research team, B.B. Das and Sha Glassman, included the following explanation of the ultraviolet light method: "The basic technique involves directing a beam of ultraviolet light, with a wavelength of 300 nanometers (nm), at samples of suspected breast, ovary and cervix tissue and measuring the fluorescence spectrum emitted. When the ratio of intensities of the tissue's fluorescence is observed at 340 nm. and 440 nm., there is a consistent and significant difference between malignant and tissues that are benign or normal.

"The ratio readings for malignant tissue are consistently higher.... as a result, we have been able to record excellent results with our ultraviolet excitation and fluorescence light method of detecting cancer," the researchers reported.

The announcement of these results follows the issuance to Alfano, on June 5 of this year, of a patent for a method of using laser-induced fluoresence to distinguish between cancerous and normal tissue. This patent and three related patent applications under Alfano's direction have been assigned to Mediscience. Apart from his position as director of the Institute for Ultrafast Spectroscopy and Lasers, Alfano is distinguished professor of Science and Engineering at City College of New York. He is a fellow of both the Optical Society of America and the American Physical Society.

Mediscience Technology Corporation, with headquarters in Cherry Hill, is a pioneer in mediphotonics, the emerging medical technology designed to utilize the power of light to detect human disease. Mediscience is also involved in the marketing of Forsterite laser crystals in North America, under a five-year agreement with Mitsui Mining and Smelting Co. Ltd. of Tokyo, as well as the development of an apnea monitor, a respiratory monitoring device.

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#90316p5685 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MICH. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - National TechTeam, Inc. (NASDAQ: TEAM) today announced that it earned net income of approximately $104,000, or $.01 per share, on revenues of $1,745,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 1990. During the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, TechTeam has reduced its current liabilities by $653,000 and has reduced its total liabilities by $851,000. During this same period, net worth has increased by $290,000.

NATIONAL TECHTEAM, INC.

Quarter Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenue	$1,745,000	$1,988,000
Net income	104,000	76,000
Net income per share	$.01	$.01
Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenue	$5,123,000	$5,389,000
Net loss	(60,000)	(417,000)
Net loss per share	($.01)	($.08)

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ST. PAUL, MINN. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines, Inc. today reported third-quarter net earnings of $91 million. Restrained by higher fuel costs, the earnings were down from $134 million for the third quarter of 1989.

Operating revenues grew to $2 billion from $1.8 billion, and operating expenses reached $1.9 billion compared to $1.6 billion for the quarter ending Sept. 30 last year. Quarterly operating income was $116 million versus $181 million in 1989.

Northwest's cash flow from operations in the third quarter was $195 million compared to $174 million from the year earlier quarter.

Northwest's fuel expense jumped $79 million to $338 million for the quarter -- a 30 percent increase reflecting two months of higher fuel costs following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2.

"We anticipate that continued high fuel expenses for the remainder of the year will result in a fourth quarter net loss," said John Dasburg, president and chief executive officer.

Northwest has adopted a number of measures to deal with its soaring fuel bill, including fare increases, a headcount freeze, flight schedule reduction and deferral of non-essential expenses.

For the third quarter, Northwest's traffic was up 9.4 percent and capacity grew 6.2 percent, resulting in a 72 percent load factor, up 2.1 points over third quarter of 1989. Yield (revenue for flying one passenger one mile) increased 1.4 percent to 12.08 cents from 11.91 cents.

For the first nine months of 1990, Northwest posted net earnings of $111 million, down from $240 million for the first nine months of 1989. Operating revenues were $5.4 billion, up from $4.9 billion, and operating expenses grew to $5.3 billion from $4.6 billion. Operating income for the three quarters was $90 million, compared to $297 million in 1989.

Northwest is America's fourth largest airline, serving Asia, Europe, Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean and 40 U.S. states.

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JACKSON, MICH. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Patrick Petroleum Company (NYSE: PPC) today reported net earnings for its third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Commenting on the company's results, company President U.E. (Pat) Patrick stated, "Our company remains a profitable and growing energy producer. We have several high-potential prospects to be drilled yet this year. This includes the continuation of our Winnipegosis exploratory program in Northwest North Dakota. Our next Winnipegosis reef test will be drilled this month, along with several other significant wells in our various Williston Basin and Michigan plays. We remain confident that our drilling and acquisition programs will contribute to a growing reserve base and improved financial results as our industry progresses in the coming decade."

Mr. Patrick continued, "At Sept. 30, the company had $14.3 million in cash and short-term and long-term marketable securities. Working capital was $7,838,926, our current ratio was 1.8 to 1.0 and stockholders' equity was $55,353,351, or $4.54 per outstanding share. Our debt-to-equity ratio was 0.55 to 1.0."

Third-quarter oil and gas sales remained strong at $2,855,724, vs. $2,677,698 a year ago. However, total revenues for the third quarter declined to $3,176,662 from $3,660,198. Net earnings were $109,866, or 1 cent per share, on approximately 12.5 million weighted average shares outstanding, vs. $225,718, or 2 cents per share, on 12.6 million shares. These results were

primarily due to lower non-operating income vs. a year ago. This includes $500,961 from gains on sales of investments in the 1989 third period. Total expenses were reduced to $3,066,796 from $3,434,480.

Nine-month oil and gas sales increased substantially to $9,465,969 from $7,325,729. Total revenues for the nine months were $10,306,165, vs. $9,694,981 a year ago. Net earnings declined to $372,635, or 3 cents per share, on approximately 12.6 million weighted average shares outstanding, vs. year-ago net earnings of $595,915, or 6 cents per share on 10.8 million shares. Expenses increased to $9,933,530 from $9,099,066, largely reflecting increased costs from higher operating levels.

Three-month oil production was 64,863 barrels, vs. 58,787 a year ago. Gross wellhead oil prices for the third quarter averaged $22.74, vs. $19 in the year-ago three months, reflecting higher prices toward the quarter end, resulting from the Iraqi crisis. Third-quarter natural gas production was 801,623 Mcf (thousand cubic feet), vs. 856,642 Mcf a year ago. Various factors contributed to this reduction, including adjustments to prior period accruals, payout on a significant gas well which automatically reduced the company's working interest, as well as temporary workovers. The average gas price received was $1.65 per Mcf, vs. $1.70 per Mcf a year ago.

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HAIFA, ISRAEL (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Elscint Ltd. (NYSE: ELT) today announced its unaudited consolidated results of operations for the third fiscal quarter and the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Consolidated revenues for the third quarter of 1990 totalled $40.2 million, as compared with $36.1 million in the corresponding quarter of 1989. Revenues for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 totalled $114.6 million, an increase of 7 percent as compared with $107.1 million for the corresponding period one year ago.

Net income for the third quarter of 1990 totalled $3.6 million, or $0.05 per share, as compared with $1.51 million or $0.04 per share for the corresponding quarter of 1989. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 totalled $8.7 million, or $0.12 per share, as compared with $978 thousand, or $0.02 per $0.02 per share, in the corresponding period of the preceding year.

Gross margin for the third quarter of 1990 was 43.8 percent of revenues, as compared with 41.2 percent for the third quarter of 1989. Gross margin for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was 44.0 percent, as compared with 41.1

percent for the corresponding period of 1989.

New order booking rates and backlog growth in both nuclear medicine (NM) and computerized tomography (CT) improved in the third quarter. In NM, demand for Elscint systems continues to grow in all segments, with major interest centering on the upper end of the product spectrum. In CT, an important factor was the recently announced Exel 2000 Sprint, a lower-cost, high-performance system with extensive upgrade potential.

The accompanying table compares the unaudited results of the three and nine month periods under review as compared with the corresponding periods of 1989, and an unaudited balance sheet as of Sept. 30, 1990 as compared with the audited balance sheet as of Dec. 31, 1989.

Elscint designs, manufactures, distributes and services medical diagnostic imaging equipment for selected international markets.

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DEARBORN, MICH. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald K. Huffman has been appointed manager of Lincoln-Mercury Division's Detroit District Sales Office.

He replaces Philip A. Nome, who has been named Ford Division's sales promotion manager.

Huffman had been Ford Division's dealer advertising manager since July 1989.

He joined Ford in May 1976 as a marketing analyst with Ford of Canada in Oakville, Ontario. After holding various analyst and sales positions there, he was appointed car merchandising manager for that company in May 1982.

Huffman became the luxury car sales manager for Ford of Canada in May 1983, then general field manager of Ford of Canada's Atlantic Region in July 1984.

In July 1985, he was named car and truck contest and incentives manager for Ford of Canada. In April 1986, he became the assistant manager for the Canadian Great Lakes Region.

Huffman's last assignment with Ford of Canada was as marketing and product plans manager from December 1987 through July 1989. At that time, he was transferred to Ford Division's General Marketing Office in Detroit.

Huffman was graduated from Queen's University in May 1975 with a bachelor of

commerce degree, and earned his MBA in May 1976 from McMaster University.

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#90316p5694 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS, NEV. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Genesis Integrated Systems announced today the GenSTAR(TM)2000 CD-ROM drive for IBM PC, XT and AT and compatibles. The GenSTAR 2000 comes complete with interface card, drive, cables, system software and audio software. Suggested retail price for the GenSTAR 2000 is $499. A high-performance, external unit, the GenSTAR 2000 CD-ROM drive includes the following features:

-- 500 msec average access time -- Full 12-month warranty with 48-hour replacement -- Full MS-DOS CD extensions -- Daisy chain up to eight units -- Standard caddy loading mechanism

Genesis Integrated Systems is committed to increasing the acceptance of optical-storage devices by providing low-cost, high-quality CD-ROM products. In the past there has been a psychological pricing barrier to the acceptance and use of CD-ROM technology. "(W)e can overcome and get non-linear results (growth) as we drop below the $500 price point which I do feel confident we will do over the next year," Bill Gates, chairman and CEO of Microsoft Corporation at the Fifth International CD-ROM Conference and Exposition, Feb. 27, 1990. Next year has arrived with the introduction of the GenSTAR 2000 CD-ROM drive at $499 suggested retail.

The GenSTAR 2000 CD-ROM drive will be demonstrated in the GoldStar booth, Booth Number H7552, in the Las Vegas Hilton at COMDEX during the week of Nov. 12-16, 1990. The first GenSTAR 2000 CD-ROM drives will be shipped to distributors and dealers in January 1991. Genesis Integrated Systems is in the process of completing distribution agreements and joint marketing programs that will commence with the January shipments.

The GenSTAR 2000 comes complete with system software, interface card, cable, caddy, audio software, and a full 12-month warranty. Genesis Integrated Systems will provide second-day replacement for any drive found to be defective during the warranty period.

Genesis Integrated Systems markets high performance CD-ROM drives and systems for desktop, multimedia and information markets. Headquartered in Minneapolis, Genesis Integrated Systems markets its products in the United States and Western Europe through independent- distributors, OEMs, computer stores, and value-added resellers.

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#90316p5696 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. (LMT) (NASDAQ: LMTS) announced today the signing of a license agreement with Microsoft Corporation (NASDAQ: MSFT) for Microsoft's TrueImage(TM) page description language software. The license agreement enables LaserMaster to use Microsoft's TrueImage software as a PostScript- language interpreter in its new high resolution personal typesetters and printers.

TrueImage interpreter software provides compatibility with both Adobe's (NASDAQ: ADBE) PostScript language and the Type 1 font format, as well as the TrueType format in Apple Computer's upcoming System 7(TM), and future versions of Microsoft Windows(TM) and OS/2(TM) programs. Jean-Louis Gassee, who is expected to join LaserMaster's board in December, described the licensing relationship as important to both parties. Gassee, who was formerly president of the Apple products division of Apple Computer, Inc., stated, "By coupling Microsoft's TrueImage with LaserMaster's proprietary TurboRes(TM) technology, LaserMaster will bring high resolution to PostScript-compatible desktop printing.

LaserMaster will utilize TrueImage software in new products, including a Personal Typesetter combining typeset-quality 1200 by 1200 TurboRes output with an 11 by 17-inch printing format, and a personal printer, a low-cost laser printer that provides users with 400 by 400 TurboRes output and 50 Type 1 format typefaces.

LaserMaster Technologies, Inc., designs, manufactures and markets laser printer and display systems and subsystems for high quality electronic printing and desktop publishing applications. LMT's products include high performance printer controllers, plain-paper desktop typesetters and integrated electronic publishing systems which feature the company's proprietary TurboRes resolution enhancement technology.

TurboRes is a patent-pending technology and a trademark of LaserMaster Corporation. TrueImage, Windows and OS/2 are registered trademarks of Microsoft Corporation. Macintosh is a registered trademark of Apple Computer, Inc. PostScript is a registered trademark of Adobe Systems, Inc. Other product and brand names are trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective companies.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunex Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNX) today reported

an expected loss of $4.5 million, or 44 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The quarterly loss is due in part to increased expenses related to preparations for the launch and marketing of Leukine(TM) GM-CSF, and to continued investment in research and development of other products the company intends to market itself. For the same three-month period in 1989, the company posted a net loss of $7.4 million, or 95 cents per share.

Immunex also reported a loss of $3.1 million, or 36 cents per share, for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a loss of $10 million, or $1.29 per share, for the same period in 1989.

Leukine GM-CSF, Immunex's lead product, is a white blood cell growth stimulant being tested in bone marrow transplantation and cancer treatment.

Total costs and expenses declined by 18 percent for the third quarter 1990 as compared to the previous period. This decline was due in large part to the purchase of product rights which occurred in September, 1989. However, for the third quarter 1990, research and development expenses increased 31 percent to $6.1 million, compared to $4.7 million in 1989. General and administrative expenses for the three-month period increased 134 percent to $3.2 million from $1.4 million for the same quarter in 1989.

"Immunex has made significant progress with the products we acquired a year ago," said Stephen A. Duzan, chairman. "The increase seen in G&A spending reflects the addition of sales staff and other expenses in anticipation of the launch of Leukine GM-CSF.

Total revenues for the nine-month period increased 36 percent to $28.3 million in 1990 from $20.7 million for the same period in 1989, due primarily to one-time fees earned from collaborators during the first quarter 1990.

Immunex is a leading biotechnology company focused on the research, development, manufacture and marketing of immunological therapeutic products.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Stage II Apparel Corp. (AMEX: SA), one of the nation's largest distributors of popular priced brand-name men's and boy's casual apparel and activewear, today reported financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net profit for the nine months was $356,000 or $.08 per share on net sales of $63,453,000 compared to net income of $3,414,000 or $.80 per share on sales of $75,105,000 for the comparable nine months last year. Average number of shares outstanding decreased to 4,232,000 in 1990 from 4,276,000 in 1989 as a result

of the company's purchase of treasury stock.

Net profit for the quarter was $340,000 or $.08 per share on net sales of $23,416,000 compared to net income of $1,779,000 or $.42 per share on sales of $32,680,000 for the comparable quarter last year. Average number of shares outstanding decreased to 4,194,000 in 1990 from 4,276,000 in 1989 as a result of the company's purchase of treasury stock.

STAGE II APPAREL CORP.
Condensed Statement of Income (Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$23,416,000	$32,680,000	$63,453,000	$75,105,000
Gross profit	5,313,000	7,596,000	14,204,000	19,406,000
Income before income taxes	486,000	2,265,000	509,000	4,568,000
Net income	340,000	1,779,000	356,000	3,414,000
Wtd. avg. no. of common shares	4,194,000	4,276,000	4,232,000	4,276,000
Earnings per share	$.08	$.42	$.08	$.80

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WICHITA, KAN. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Brite Voice Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: BVSI), today announced the purchase of a Real Estate Hotline(R) system by Realty One, of Cleveland. Realty One is Ohio's largest independently owned residential real estate company with 49 offices servicing 20 counties in Northern Ohio. The company is ranked as the eighth largest independent broker in the United States in terms of transaction sides. In 1989, Realty One conducted 20,092 transaction sides (per individual listing and selling sides of closed residential transactions) amounting to a sales volume of over $1.8 billion.

"The Real Estate Hotline has proven itself to be a powerful and innovative marketing tool for real estate brokers," stated Brite President and CEO Stan Brannan. "It increases the marketing power of the brokers by providing listings and other key real estate information around the clock to today's busy consumers. The ability to market a home listing 24 hours a day may influence a potential home seller's decision as to which broker receives the listing. Our other customers consider it an incredible listing tool.

"We are proud to welcome Realty One to the growing number of Real Estate Hotline customers. Realty One is a progressive company whose dedication to customer service will be complimented by the purchase of a Real Estate Hotline

system," Brannan continued.

"Realty One plans to take advantage of one of the industry's most innovative marketing tools, the Real Estate Hotline," said Vincent T. Aveni, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Realty One. "We will promote the system in our market under the name 'The Realty One Hotline.' This program is the best way for us to service our sellers and buyers, to support our sales associates and to enable Realty One to continue to be the leader in the 90s. Our program will be available to home buyers and sellers in January 1991."

Realty One will be the exclusive provider of The Real Estate Hotline for Cleveland and the surrounding area. Over 4,000 property listings will be made available to the public when the system becomes operational in January of 1991. A marketing campaign is planned by Realty One to introduce the system throughout the Northern Ohio market.

The Real Estate Hotline is an audiotex computer system which provides telephone access to such real estate information as listings, mortgage rates, and tips on buying and selling homes. Additional information made available through the system includes relocation advice, descriptions of area school systems, open house schedules and more. The system is capable of handling from four to over a thousand callers simultaneously depending on the size of the installation. Consumers may call the main system number from the comfort of their home, office, or car. Once connected to the system, they have the option of selecting listings based on price, location and features. A unique four-digit category is assigned to each listing. The category numbers are promoted in all other forms of traditional advertising mediums including classified ads and yard signs.

After reviewing the features and benefits of a particular listing, a caller may choose to be directly connected to the listing agent's office or home by simply pressing the star (asterisk) key. They may also leave their name and telephone number or other information through a voice record feature.

Brite Voice Systems has installed Real Estate Hotline systems in cities such as Kansas City, Sacramento and Washington, D.C. The company also manufactures and sells turnkey audiotex and interactive voice response systems to broadcast and print media, cellular telephone, health care markets and to telephone companies, government agencies and 800/900 service bureaus.

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MONTICELLO, NY (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Frontier Insurance Group, Inc. (Frontier) (NASDAQ: FRTR). The company is pleased to announce that it will start trading on the New York Stock Exchange effective Nov. 19, 1990 under the

symbol "FIR." This move has been contemplated for several months and had previously been announced to take place contemporaneously with a proposed secondary offering. Due to problems in the Mid-East and their effect on the market, the company's proposed stock offering is being withdrawn.

FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP, INC.
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended		Pct. Chng.
	9/30/90	9/30/89	
Earned premium revenues	$17,638,000	$13,425,000	31.4
Net investment income	2,933,000	2,126,000	37.9
Realized capital gains (losses)	156,000	90,000	(17.8)
Claims adjusting income	437,000	--	n/a
Total revenues	21,164,000	15,741,000	34.4
Total expenses	17,560,000	12,743,000	37.8
Income before income taxes	3,604,000	2,998,000	20.2
Net income	2,429,000	2,197,000	10.5
Earnings per share:			
Realized capital gains (losses)	.02(A)	.03(A)	(33.3)
Federal income tax "Fresh Start" benefits	.02(A)	.02(A)	0.0
Operating income	.51(A)	.45(A)	13.3
Net income	.55(A)	.50(A)	10.0
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,439,194(A)	4,433,703(A)	0.1

	Nine months ended		Pct. Chng.
	9/30/90	9/30/89	
Earned premium revenues	$53,268,000	$37,435,000	42.3
Net investment income	8,776,000	5,948,000	47.6
Realized capital gains (losses)	179,000	320,000	(44.1)
Claims adjusting income	1,179,000	--	n/a
Total revenues	63,402,000	43,703,000	45.1
Total expenses	52,199,000	34,853,000	49.8
Income before income taxes	11,203,000	8,850,000	26.6
Net income	7,886,000	6,432,000	22.6
Earnings per share:			
Realized capital gains (losses)	.03(A)	.05(A)	(40.0)
Federal income tax "Fresh Start" benefits	.04(A)	.03(A)	33.3
Operating income	1.71(A)	1.37(A)	24.8
Net income	1.78(A)	1.45(A)	22.8
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,437,050(A)	4,433,703(A)	0.1
Statutory combined ration	95.8	100.5	(4.7)

(A) In July 1990 and August 1989 the company paid a ten percent (10 percent) stock dividend. Weighted average shares outstanding presented and used in the calculations of per share amounts presented above have been adjusted

retroactively to reflect the stock dividends.

Frontier is an underwriter and creator of specialty insurance products which serve the needs of insureds in niche markets.

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CORTLAND, NY (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Marietta Corporation (NASDAQ: MRTA) announced today that sales for fiscal 1990 increased by approximately 33 percent compared to fiscal 1989. Management estimates that net income will decrease approximately 5 percent to 10 percent for the same period.

Marietta President John Nadolski commented on the estimates for the fiscal year, saying sales for the company as a whole were in line with original growth projections, however sales in Marietta's guest amenities market fell short of growth goals. The company feels the underperformance in guest amenity sales was a result of several factors including a slowdown in the lodging industry and the transition the company recently made in their sales and marketing approach to the guest amenities market.

The company will release fourth quarter and fiscal 1990 financial statements in early December.

Marietta Corporation specializes in the design, manufacture, packaging, marketing and distribution of guest amenity programs to the travel and lodging industry in the United States and abroad, and provides customized "sample-size" and "unit-of-use" packaging products and services to major consumer products companies in the toiletries, cosmetics and pharmaceutical industries.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael J. Stanton, director of state relations for the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association, has been named the Association's director of federal liaison. Stanton's appointment was announced today by MVMA President Thomas H. Hanna.

In his new assignment, Stanton will be responsible for implementing and coordinating MVMA and its members' programs to assure that their views on federal issues are appropriately communicated to members of Congress and their staffs, executive departments and agencies and other associations and organizations.

Stanton, state relations director for the past four years, replaces Tim MacCarthy, who leaves MVMA to be the director of government and industry relations for Nissan North America, Inc.

Stanton joined MVMA in 1979 as federal liaison manager. A native of Washington Stanton holds a master of administration degree from George Washington University and a bachelor of arts degree from Wheeling College, West Virginia.

He spent two years in the Navy, serving as lieutenant junior grade aboard the U.S.S. America during the Vietnam War. Prior to joining MVMA, Stanton was in the Department of the Navy as a liaison official to business and to the Congress.

Stanton, 45, lives in Rockville, Md., with his wife, Mary Anne, and their four children.

MVMA is the trade association for domestic motor vehicle manufacturers. Its seven member companies build 94 percent of U.S.-made motor vehicles. Members are: Chrysler Corporation; Ford Motor Company; General Motors Corporation; Honda of America Mfg., Inc.; Navistar International Transportation Corp.; PACCAR Inc.; and Volvo North America Corporation.

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FRANKLIN, MASS. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Stuarts Department Stores, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: STUS), announced today that there exist certain Events of Default under its bank credit facility with Shawmut Bank, N.A. The company announced further that, although the company is current on its repayment obligations under the credit facility and the bank has not attempted to accelerate the maturity of its loans to the company, the company has failed to comply with certain financial covenants in respect of the fiscal quarter ended Nov. 3, 1990. The company announced also that it had been advised by the bank that, as a result of the existence of such Events of Default, the bank had declined to make certain advances requested by the company under the bank credit facility and that the bank did not intend to make any further advances until such time as the company's financial condition, as reflected by such Events of Default, is addressed by the company in a manner which the bank deems satisfactory.

The company does not believe that this development will materially impair its ability to continue retail operations at this time. The company is presently engaged in discussions with the bank concerning its credit arrangement and is reviewing its financial condition and related alternatives, including, among others, alternative sources of financing and whether it should seek relief

from its creditors under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

Stuarts Department Stores, Inc., operates 23 self-service discount department stores located in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, Connecticut and Maine, 22 under the name "Stuarts" and one under the name "Harry's." The company's stores sell a wide variety of general merchandise selected to satisfy the clothing, home, recreational and convenience needs of the blue collar and middle income family.

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#90316p5727 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAFAYETTE, LA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Offshore Logistics Inc. (NASDAQ: OLOG), a supplier of aviation services worldwide, reported gross revenues of $24.7 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, compared to $22.0 million reported for this same period a year ago.

The company also reported net income of $4.9 million ($.28 per share) compared to net income of $4.2 million ($.24 per share) for the same quarter last year. Gross revenues of approximately $2.4 million from marine services in each period were not included in these amounts. Net income from marine services of $.02 per share in each period is shown as income from discontinued operations.

Income from continuing operations increased 18 percent from the same quarter last year. The increases in revenues and profits are the result of 17 helicopters being added to the fleet since September 1989 and increased charter hire rates. Demand for helicopter services remains strong in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico and activity is increasing in many international markets. The company has committed to purchase 26 new helicopters during the next 18 months.

The recently announced sale of the company's marine assets will be reported as a gain of approximately $5 million in the quarter ended Dec. 31. The results of marine activities in prior periods are reported as discontinued operations. The tabulated results for the quarters ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, are as follows (dollars in thousands except earnings per share):

OFFSHORE LOGISTICS INC.

3 mos. ended	9/30/90	9/30/89
Gross revenue	$24,683	$22,028
Income from continuing operations	$ 4,580	$ 3,886
Income from operations of discontinued marine division	$ 290	$ 285
Net income	$ 4,870	$ 4,171
Earnings per common share and common equivalent share from continuing operations	$ .26	$ .22

Earnings per common share and common equivalent share	$ .28	$ .24
Wtd. avg. number of common shares and common equivalent shares outstanding	17,651,222	17,513,755

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DALLAS (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - EDS and Cummins Cash and Information Services, Inc. (CCIS) today announced the signing of a 10-year, $90 million systems management agreement under which EDS will assume full responsibility for the computer and communications operations of CCIS.

CCIS, based in the Dallas area, provides electronic funds transfer, fuel purchase programs and temporary truck permit services to the North American trucking industry. CCIS is wholly owned by Cummins Engine Company, based in Columbus, Ind. Cummins is a major producer of diesel engines, components and power systems for trucks and industrial equipment.

The relationship will have an immediate, positive impact on CCIS' responsiveness in serving its customers throughout North America.

EDS' vast technological expertise and processing capacity will greatly expand CCIS' on-line transaction processing capability and allow more rapid development and deployment of new products and services to the field.

EDS will provide additional hardware and software resources to allow CCIS to continue meeting the needs of its rapidly growing customer base, and CCIS will have access to a wide range of EDS programming capabilities that can quickly customize new products and services. Also, EDS can efficiently engineer the critical connectivity between CCIS and the many diverse mainframe systems used by its customers.

EDS has operations in 27 countries, employs 60,000 worldwide and is the leader in providing information technology services. Stock reflecting EDS' performance is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

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VANCOUVER, WASH. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - VanFed BanCorp (VANF) and Washington

Mutual Savings Bank (NASDAQ: WAMU) today announced the signing of a non-binding letter of intent to merge VanFed BanCorp's subsidiary, Vancouver Federal Savings Bank (VanFed Savings) of Vancouver, Wash., into Washington Mutual's subsidiary, Washington Mutual, a Federal Savings Bank.

The cash offer, if permitted by the regulators, would provide VanFed BanCorp stockholders a total consideration, subject to adjustment and after the exercise of options, of approximately $23.3 million or $19 per share. At the close of business on Nov. 9, VanFed BanCorp's stock was trading at $9.25 per share.

In connection with the merger, VanFed BanCorp has granted Washington Mutual an option to purchase 9.9 percent of VanFed BanCorp's shares. Each party is subject to the payment of certain fees if, under certain circumstances, it should elect not to proceed with the transaction.

VanFed Savings operates seven locations in the Vancouver, Wash., area and has assets of approximately $306 million and deposits of approximately $254 million. Washington Mutual and its subsidiary, Washington Mutual, a Federal Savings Bank, operate 75 branches in Washington and 18 home loan centers in Washington, Oregon and Idaho. Washington Mutual has assets of $7 billion and deposits of $4.3 billion.

Kerry Killinger, Washington Mutual president and chief executive officer, said "We are excited by this opportunity to serve more of the greater Vancouver community. VanFed and Washington Mutual share a number of traditions: emphasizing customer service, focusing on the consumer, and serving the community. Washington Mutual already has a substantial commitment to the Vancouver area, as shown by the new branch we just opened. The Vancouver area is growing and Washington Mutual wants to help the community continue prospering. Together, VanFed and Washington Mutual will make a great team."

"Washington Mutual and VanFed, on a combined basis, have about 16 percent of the Vancouver deposit market. VanFed currently is the Clark Co. leader in residential mortgage loans and Washington Mutual is the No. 1 residential mortgage lender in Washington state and a leading lender in the greater Portland area. That combination makes for a great organization. A major component of our corporate strategy is to increase our market presence in key areas. The proposed merger is another step toward our goal of being a leading regional bank," said Killinger.

Loren Means, VanFed president and chief executive officer, added, "We strongly believe this merger is in the best interests of our stockholders, customers and employees. The added resources of this merger will enable economies of scale to be achieved that we are unable to obtain as a stand-alone entity. In addition, the combined organizations will be able to offer a broader array of services to customers throughout our region. We are delighted to join the Washington Mutual team and look forward to an exciting future."

The transaction is subject to approvals from the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), VanFed Savings' primary regulator. VanFed Savings converted from mutual to stock form in 1989 and because this conversion occurred within the past three years, regulatory approval is required before any further steps can be taken. In addition to regulatory approval, the approval of VanFed BanCorp shareholders will be required. The entire process could take approximately eight to 10 months.

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CHANTILLY, VA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Banner Industries, Inc. (NYSE: BNR) today reported first quarter net income of $20.2 million, or $1.18 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the prior year's first quarter, the company earned $200,000 before preferred stock dividends. Net sales were $123.2 million in the fiscal 1991 first quarter. This compared with net sales of $157.3 million in the same fiscal 1990 period, which included sales of $47.4 million from Banner Aerospace, Inc., accounted for as an equity investment in fiscal 1991. Adjusted sales for the prior year's quarter, excluding sales from Banner Aerospace, would have been $109.9 million. The 1991 sales, as compared with the adjusted 1990 sales, show an increase of $13.3 million from continuing business segments.

Net income for the current year's quarter was affected by a non-recurring net pre-tax gain of $54.6 million principally from the initial public offering in July 1990, of 52.8 percent of Banner's holdings in Banner Aerospace, and an after-tax loss of $10.1 million reflecting a provision for loss on the disposal of discontinued operations.

Banner Industries' operating income before interest and taxes was $13.5 million (including equity earnings in affiliates) for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $8.6 million in the year-ago period. Operating income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, would have been $5.7 million if the partial spin-off of Banner Aerospace had occurred in the prior year.

Commenting on the recent results, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Jeffrey J. Steiner, stated, "If we focus on the performance of Banner Industries' core operations, namely aerospace fasteners, industrial tooling and telecommunications, we achieved strong operating results. Consolidated revenues of these businesses increased by 12 percent, while operating income rose 35 percent."

Steiner also noted that the company benefited from the sale of 52.8 percent of

its interest in Banner Aerospace. This transaction generated $125 million in cash and, in addition, Banner Aerospace assumed $75 million of corporate debt. Banner Industries also recently announced an agreement to sell its Envirex waste water treatment operations for approximately $75 million cash.

Banner Industries, Inc. is a leading supplier of aerospace and industrial products and communications services.

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NORTH PALM BEACH, FLA. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of FPL Group, Inc. (NYSE: FPL) has declared a quarterly dividend of 59 cents per share on its common stock. The dividend is payable Dec. 17, 1990 to shareholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990. This is the 180th consecutive quarterly dividend paid to holders of common stock of FPL Group and its predecessor, Florida Power & Light Company.

FPL Group is a diversified holding company whose principal subsidiary is Florida Power & Light Company, one of the largest investor-owned electric utilities in the nation. FPL Group's common stock is traded on the New York, Tokyo and London stock exchanges.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) today announced that it has sold its Caliente Chili, Inc. subsidiary, located in Austin, Texas, to Wm. B. Reily & Company, Inc. Terms of the sale were not disclosed.

Procter & Gamble acquired Caliente Chili as part of its merger with the Noxell Corporation in November 1989. Caliente's product line includes Wick Fowler's 2-Alarm and Family Style Chili Kits, Bean Seasoning, Taco Seasoning, prepared rice dishes and picante sauces. P&G said this business does not fit strategically with its food business.

Procter & Gamble had sales of $24.1 billion during fiscal 1989-90. P&G makes and markets a wide range of products for consumers and industry.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Datakey, Inc. (NASDAQ: DKEY) announced today that it has received another multi-million dollar contract from the Department of Defense for a significant quantity of KSD-64A keys for the government's secure telephone program. This is the fourth contract Datakey has been awarded under this program since 1986.

"We are pleased to report that this contract calls for significant monthly deliveries of our KSD-64A keys to the government throughout 1991. It also includes an option year which permits the government to purchase another similar quantity of keys, with shipments extending over the next 12 months," said Ronald J. Niccum, senior vice president of government sales and marketing. Niccum added that due to the sensitivity of the secure telephone program, Datakey cannot disclose the exact value or other details of the contract.

"The key deliveries scheduled under this contact represent government requirements only and do not include purchases from any of the phone suppliers. They will also need large quantities of our keys and receptacles during the contract period," said Niccum. "In addition, Datakey's licensee, CTS Corporation, received a contract that will generate royalty income for Datakey throughout 1991.

"While this new government contract is not as large as last year's, it represents a very important order for the company," observed Niccum. "Moreover it reflects a continuing, long-term increase in use of the secure telephones. This usage is expected to expand even further with introduction of a new, commercial version of the phones sometime in 1991. In addition, the new contract will continue to provide Datakey with significant, core revenue, giving us a foundation for the company's ongoing commercial market development activity and for our participation in other important government programs."

Datakey, Inc., designs, produces and markets specialty-class portable data carriers in the form of keys, cards and custom-shaped devices to OEMs in an application-oriented marketplace. These small, semiconductor-memory-based, portable devices serve as a convenient way to provide machine-readable electronic information for use in a variety of microprocessor-based equipment. The company's portable data devices are packaged to withstand the adverse elements found in transportable human environments. Datakey also designs, produces and markets supporting peripheral equipment for these portable data carriers devices. Shares of Datakey's common stock are traded on the NASDAQ/NMS market under the symbol DKEY.

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HAIFA, ISRAEL (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Elbit Computers Ltd. (NASDAQ: ELBTF), an Israel-based manufacturer of computer systems and products for military and commercial applications and a subsidiary of Elron Electronic Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: ELRNF), today announced its unaudited consolidated financial results for the third fiscal quarter and the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Consolidated revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $91,267,000 as compared with $42,159,000 for the parallel quarter last year. Net income for the quarter was $5,472,000, or $0.35 per share, as compared with $3,042,000, or $0.22 per share, for the corresponding quarter in 1989.

On a year-to-date basis, consolidated revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 totalled $264,161,000, as compared with $117,200,000 for the parallel period last year. Net income for this nine-month period was $15,881,000, as compared with net income of $8,747,000 in the corresponding period of 1989. Primary earnings per share for the nine month period under review amounted to $1.05, and earnings per share on a fully diluted basis were $1.02, as compared with $0.62 in the same period in 1989.

The company's board of directors declared a third quarter dividend of 6 cents per ordinary share, payable on Jan. 7, 1991 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 8, 1990. Under Israeli law, the company is required to withhold taxes at a rate currently estimated to be 15.2 percent, which a U.S. taxpayer may credit against U.S. taxes due in respect of the dividend.

Out of the $264 million in consolidated revenues for the first nine months of 1990, $114 million were derived from Elscint Ltd. (NYSE: ELT), the company's medical diagnostic imaging subsidiary. Elscint's net income in the period under review amounted to $8.7 million, which contributed approximately $5.4 million to Elbit's net income in this nine-month period.

Revenues deriving from Elbit's traditional business increased substantially during this nine-month period, and reached $150 million, as compared with $117 million in the corresponding period of 1989. This business yielded a net income of $10.5 million in the period under review, up from $8.7 million in the parallel period of 1989.

Over 80 percent of consolidated revenues in the period under review derived from export and international sales. Approximately 50 percent of consolidated revenues represent U.S.-related business.

Revenues derived from non-defense activities amounted to 55 percent of revenues, compared with 23 percent in fiscal 1989. This change reflects the company's strategy to offset the effect of decreasing defense expenditures worldwide.

The company's backlog of orders at Sept. 30, 1990 was approximately $386 million, as compared with $330 million at Sept. 30, 1989. The backlog figure for 1990 includes orders for sales of Elscint systems. Over 80 percent of such backlog represents orders deriving from outside Israel, mainly from the United States.

On Aug. 1, 1990, the company issued 517,193 ordinary shares to Elron. These shares represented half of the consideration paid to Elron for the Elscint ordinary shares acquired from Elron at the beginning of this year.

Elbit Computers Ltd. designs, develops, manufactures, markets and services a wide range of advanced, often combat-proven electronic products and systems for airborne, shipboard and ground military applications. Through its Elscint Ltd. subsidiary, Elbit is engaged in the design, manufacture, distribution and servicing of computer-based medical diagnostic imaging systems. Through other subsidiaries, it provides a variety of commercial products and services, as well as specialized infrared imaging equipment.

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HUTCHINSON, MINN. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Hutchinson Technology Incorporated (NASDAQ/NMS: HTCH) today reported net income for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $1,314,000, or 33 cents per share, which includes 6 cents per share in tax credits. Net sales for the quarter were $35,029,000. For the comparable quarter of the prior fiscal year, the company reported a net loss of $360,000, or 9 cents per share, on net sales of $23,753,000.

For the year ended Sept. 30, Hutchinson Technology reported record net income of $5,338,000, or $1.34 per share, on net sales of $122,444,000 compared to a net loss of $5,693,000, or $1.44 per share, on net sales of $92,321,000 for fiscal 1989.

Jeffrey W. Green, Hutchinson Technology's chairman and chief executive officer said the return to profitability for the quarter and the year results from improved demand for disk drive components, as well as the company's success in positioning itself as a supplier of components for new disk drive models. "Our share of the market for suspension assemblies used in the newest model disk drives is especially strong and we continue to be the world's leading supplier of suspension assemblies for rigid disk drives," said Green.

Fourth quarter net sales increased approximately 14 percent over fiscal 1990 third quarter levels. The fourth quarter was a 14-week period compared to the 13-week third quarter. Net income declined to 33 cents per share for the

fourth quarter from 42 cents per share in the third.

Green attributed the lower fourth quarter profitability to a change in the product mix. "Suspension assemblies of newer designs accounted for a larger portion of fourth quarter sales. Yields on these new designs are initially lower than those for established products, resulting in lower gross profits," said Green.

Entering fiscal 1991, Green said that order rates are high and that the company is operating at near capacity on certain products.

Hutchinson Technology manufactures components and assemblies for original equipment manufacturers in the computer peripheral, electronics and other technology industries.

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JACKSON, MICH. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company today announced a key judicial victory in Ingham County Circuit Court which denies the State of Michigan jurisdiction over current and past operations of the Ludington pumped storage hydroelectric generating facility on Lake Michigan.

Ingham County Circuit Court Judge Carolyn Stell summarily dismissed a $147 million lawsuit filed in 1986 against Consumers Power and The Detroit Edison Company by the Office of the Attorney General and the State Department of Natural Resources in connection with fish losses at the facility. The utilities jointly own, and Consumers Power operates, the Ludington plant.

Judge Stell's ruling found that the State of Michigan's complaint, seeking past and future damages due to fish losses and alleging violation of a Lake Michigan-bottom land use lease, is preempted by the Federal Power Act. Ruling "the plaintiff's claim would require the court to determine the conditions and requirements" of the facility's federal license, Judge Stell wrote that "federal law dictates that the states do not have the power to veto the construction and operation of a federally licensed hydroelectric plant."

Judge Stell further wrote, "The court takes judicial notice of the fact that a temporary net has been installed in accordance with a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission order directing defendants to study alternative plans for the mitigation of fish mortality" at the plant. The utilities recently concluded the second year of a multi-year program in which a protective seasonal barrier net was employed to keep fish outside the area of the Ludington plant's water intakes.

Located on the shores of Lake Michigan, the Ludington plant is a major power resource for Michigan, providing low-cost electricity for homes and businesses throughout the state. Water is drawn from Lake Michigan into its 1.3-square-mile reservoir at night when demand for electricity is low and released during the day when power demand is high. The plant saves customers more than $40 million each year by displacing higher cost generation.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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MIAMI LAKES, FLA. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Windmere Corporation (NYSE: WND) announced today its operating results for the three and nine months periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net earnings for the third quarter 1990 were $211,200 or 2 cents per share, vs. the $5.9 million or 38 cents per share for the third quarter of 1989. Third quarter sales were $45.9 million, 10.4 percent less than the $51.2 million recorded in the third quarter of last year.

The net (loss) for the nine months was ($193,200) or (1 cent) per share, as compared to last year's earnings of $9.1 million or 58 cents per share. Sales for the nine months were $115.2 million, a 10.8 percent decrease from the $129.2 million recorded a year ago.

Windmere is a leading manufacturer and distributor of personal care products and other merchandise for the home and professional salons, including hairdryers, curling irons, kitchen appliances, and dental care appliances.

WINDMERE CORPORATION OPERATING RESULTS
(Unaudited)

Three months ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
Sales	$45,889,200	$51,202,400
Net earnings after tax before minority interest	30,600	5,555,900
Minority interest	180,600	368,600
Net earnings	211,200	5,924,500
Average common shares and equivalents outstanding	15,919,100	15,757,300
Net earnings per share	$.02	$.38
Nine months ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
Sales	115,170,100	129,173,100

Net earnings (loss) after tax before minority interest	(1,210,700)	8,482,500
Minority interest	1,017,500	597,600
Net earnings (loss)	(193,200)	9,080,100
Average common shares and equivalents outstanding	15,794,900	15,567,200
Net earnings per share	($.01)	$.58

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MADISON, WIS. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Tak Communications, Inc. today announced that it has accepted a tentative proposal from its financial lenders that will restructure its corporate debt and allow it to continue to build its operations throughout the country.

The company said the tentative accord was reached after nearly eight months of talks with a consortium of east coast-based banks.

"This tentative agreement will have remarkably little impact on the daily operations of our company and its stations. We will continue to broadcast for the public's benefit and manage our business while the final details of the plan are developed," said Sharad Tak, chairman and owner of the firm. "When it is approved, it will make Tak Communications an even stronger broadcasting business operation. There will be no layoffs nor staff reductions while we complete this restructuring and chart a revised financial course."

Tak noted that the company's revenue growth for this year is ahead of the 1989 pace and added that cash flow was more than sufficient to meet its current secured debt schedule and continue operations. He added the draft plan also eliminates erroneous reports and unfounded rumors that the company's Wisconsin television stations would be sold.

As part of the agreement, Tak said the banks have withdrawn their request for a federal court to appoint a receiver for the company's nine radio and television stations.

"These banks were feeling the pressure of increased regulatory scrutiny, and despite meeting virtually all of our senior secured debt payments, they were still pressing for more," he added. "The plan's outline means that we can now work to strengthen Tak Communications' position as one of the leading broadcast companies in the nation."

He also noted that the company is confident that "our future is made even more

promising by this proposal, and we anticipate a stronger financial picture to emerge in the months ahead.

"We are pleased that our negotiations have resulted in an outline that allows us to continue broadcasting for the public's benefit. Now, we can aim our attention toward building a stronger and more profitable broadcasting company " he said.

Tak Communications, Inc. has television station operations in Wisconsin, New York and Hawaii. It owns radio stations in Pennsylvania, Florida and Illinois. It employs about 580 people.

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SOUTHFIELD, MI (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Vernon E. Oeschle has been appointed executive vice president and chief operating officer of Allied-Signal Automotive, one of the world's largest automotive suppliers.

Oeschle, former group vice president of the Dana Corporation (NYSE: DCN), was named to the new position by John W. Day, president and chief executive officer of Allied-Signal Automotive.

Oeschle will have charge of all operations of the firm's strategic business units worldwide, said Day, who had been both chief executive officer and chief operating officer.

"The increasing complexities of managing a globally based company in the demanding, highly competitive environment of the automotive industry in the nineties dictates the need for an operating officer whose sole responsibility is the strategic business units," said Day.

"All policy, planning, financial, human resource and other staff functions will continue to report to me," added the president.

Oeschle, who joined Dana in 1964 following his graduation from Bowling Green State University, had served since 1985 as group vice president. His responsibilities included line management for several divisions with annual sales of over $2 billion, worldwide strategic and tactical responsibility for the highway vehicle original equipment market and strategic responsibility for manufacturing disciplines in all of Dana's 350 facilities.

He also had served as president and chief executive officer of Hayes-Dana Inc. a Canadian subsidiary of Dana; corporate controller; and in other key managerial and financial positions.

He is a board member and vice chairman of the Motor Equipment Manufacturers' Association (MEMA) and chairman of the MEMA - JAMA (Japanese Auto Manufacturers Association) sponsored by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Allied-Signal Automotive serves seven major businesses worldwide: braking systems for passenger cars and light trucks; braking systems for medium and heavy trucks; friction materials; safety restraints; turbocharging systems; sparkplugs, and filters.

The company is part of Allied-Signal Inc. (NYSE: ALD), an advanced technology company with businesses in aerospace, automotive and engineered materials.

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HASTINGS, MINN. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Genius Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: MDSI), formerly Micro Display Systems, Inc., is announcing significant enhancements to and expansion of its line of The Genius(R) high-performance video controller cards at Comdex/Fall'90.

In September 1990, Genius Technologies released The Genius Model 1922M, a 19-inch dual page monochrome display and video controller card compatible with the IBM PS/2(a) line of micro channel computers. The Model 1922M is based on the Texas Instruments 34010 general purpose microprocessor and supports all TIGA-based applications, as well as an extensive list of software applications using The Genius' proprietary drivers.

A new half size video controller card for the most widely used product, The Genius 15-inch full page monochrome display system for PCs and compatibles, was introduced in early October 1990. The card incorporates new technology and design which translates into very high product reliability.

Initial shipments of The Genius Model 1920C and 1920G have begun and customer feedback has been very positive. These feature-rich controller cards for large screen color and grayscale displays have a 32-bit microprocessor and run at 60Hz. Standard memory is 2MB VRAM and 2MB DRAM. A natural upgrade path has been designed to allow memory expansion up to 16MB DRAM, the most being offered in the market today.

Windows 3.0 drivers have been available since late September for several of The Genius systems and driver development for the remaining applications is scheduled for completion in November 1990.

Genius Technologies is also introducing a five-year full warranty on all of these new boards. "High-quality products, backed with knowledgeable customer

support has contributed to a history or high ratings and superior performance citations from several leading trade journals," said Richard Falconer, vice president of marketing for Genius Technologies, Inc. "We are firmly committed to continued excellence in the future."

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) and Pocket Soft Inc. today announced they have signed an agreement to use the Pocket Soft .RTLink/Plus overlay linker as part of Ashton-Tate's dBASE Professional Compiler, which is currently under development.

The dBASE Professional Compiler is being demonstrated this week in the Ashton-Tate booth, No. H8218 at the Hilton Pavilion, during COMDEX Fall '90.

".RTLink/Plus is a good example of Ashton-Tate's commitment to provide the best available tools for customers," said Dave Proctor, Ashton-Tate's executive vice president, product development. "The inclusion of .RTLink/Plus in the dBASE Professional Compiler provides the technology necessary to ease the creation of complex applications."

"We are very pleased that .RTLink/Plus is going to be part of Ashton-Tate's dBASE Professional Compiler package," said Thames Goodwin, marketing director of Pocket Soft. ".RTLink/Plus is the industry-leading linking technology for MS-DOS developers. Making it part of this new compiler will ensure that a product that meets Ashton-Tate's high standards is available to dBASE developers."

With .RTLink/Plus in the dBASE Professional Compiler, developers can control the memory requirements of their program, allowing them to run large applications (even larger than 640k) in smaller amounts of memory than would normally be required. .RTLink/Plus provides other unique features such as utilities to help optimize runtime performance and reduce the amount of disk space required to store multi-executable systems.

Headquartered in Torrance, Calif., Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software. The company's major product categories include database management systems, word processing, integrated decision support, spreadsheets, graphics and software utilities. The company also offers a comprehensive line of training and support services for individuals, corporations and government agencies. Ashton-Tate has international operations in most countries around the world, with products available in 20 languages in more than 50 countries.

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ARLINGTON, VA. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) announced today that is has signed a four-year agreement with Phone Base Systems, Inc., a leading inter-active voice response service bureau to provide 800 and 900 services.

The contract is worth an estimated $15 million over four years. Under its terms, MCI will supply Phone Base Systems, Inc., with 800 service for toll-free incoming calls from the entire U.S. and a number of international locations. MCI's 900 service provides nationwide access for callers to customer-provided information services and enables the customer to determine the cost charged to callers.

Bert C. Roberts Jr., MCI president and chief operating officer, explained, "MCI's 800 and 900 services offer flexibility and cost effectiveness to Phone Base Systems and their customers." Roberts added, "Phone Base, which is a sophisticated 800/900 service bureau, can take advantage of a variety of specialized 800 and 900 service features tailored for their business operations."

According to John C. Keaveney, president and chief operating officer of Phone Base Systems, Inc., "MCI was chosen because it provided us with an advanced, yet flexible system for our 800- and 900-number call processing." He added, "Phone Base Systems must process large volumes of simultaneous calls cost-effectively, with consistency and reliability. MCI's 800 and 900 service will ensure our success in this area."

Headquartered in Vienna, Va., Phone Base Systems, Inc., provides advanced 800- and 900-number call processing for consumer, business-to-business marketers and non-profit organizations. Staffed with more than 100 market-tested specialists, Phone Base develops and maintains its own comprehensive telecommunications facility and offers marketers the ability to integrate a variety of sophisticated interactive elements into one phone call.

MCI is the world's second largest long-distance provider, supplying a full range of voice and data telecommunications services to business and residential customers and government agencies. MCI's long-distance service enables customers to call throughout the United States and dial direct to more than 170 nations.

MCI Mid-Atlantic serves customers in Virginia, New Jersey, Pennsylvania,

Delaware, West Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia.

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LAS VEGAS, NEV. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - From photographs stored on CDs to high-quality color printing, Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) is demonstrating an unparalleled mix of products and technologies at COMDEX/Fall '90 for bringing color to the desktop.

"From the first color photographs to the introduction of color in motion pictures, color images have long been proven to communicate more powerfully than black-and-white," said David A. Lehman, director of strategic planning for Kodak's information sector. "Drawing on our long history of leadership in color imaging, Kodak is demonstrating the ability to bring the power of color images to the world of desktop computing."

Highlighting a technology introduced just two months ago, the company is demonstrating its new Kodak Photo CD system, which digitizes 35 mm photographic images and stores them on compact discs. Along with the system itself, Kodak is demonstrating two new software packages -- the Photo CD development toolkit and Photo CD accessory -- which allow the use of Photo CD images in computer applications.

In these applications, users with CD-ROM XA drives can integrate photographic-based color images into desktop publishing, business presentations and other functions. In consumer applications, the Photo CD system will allow people to view their photographs on television, using a combination Photo CD/audio CD player.

Besides the Photo CD system, COMDEX visitors will see the first public demonstration of Kodak technologies that provide the computer industry a uniform way to represent color.

Proposed as standard industry color space, Kodak's PhotoYCC color interchange specification provides an efficient method for representing color digitally. PhotoYCC has received support from a number of leading computer firms, and will be supported in the new PostScript Level 2 page description language from Adobe Systems, Inc.

Kodak is also demonstrating the Kodak color management system, a family of software products and tools designed to provide consistent, quality color from a variety of devices and operating systems.

Another featured product bringing color to the desktop is the Kodak Diconix color 4 printer. Introduced just last month, this desktop ink-jet printer produces color text and graphics on plain paper or transparency material. The printer, available for users of IBM-compatible and Apple Macintosh computers, uses specially formulated inks to produce a full palette of colors.

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TINTON FALLS, N.J. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Keptel, Inc. (NASDAQ: KPTL) today announced sales and earnings for the quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990. Sales for the year were $51,103,000, while net income totaled $1.2 million, or $.26 per common share. Sales for the fourth quarter totaled $13,521,000 as net income rose to $265,000, or $.06 per common share, up from a loss of $225,000 ($.05 per share) reported in the previous quarter.

Richard K. Laird, president and chief executive officer, said, "As expected, the company returned to profitability during the fourth quarter. Revenues returned to planned levels as our Bell and non-Bell telephone customers ordered equipment to our original expectations. These improvements, coupled with better gross profit margins overall, produced a solid performance for the quarter despite nearly $400,000 (.05 cents per share) of non-recurring expenses associated with staff changes, a new product introduction and the start-up of our new Mexican factory. These behind us, we are optimistic that 1991 will be a very strong year.

"Operationally during the quarter, each of our product groups turned in good showings. Keptel Network Interface and Test product sales rose from $7.9 million to $10 million with especially strong performances from Ameritech and Bell Atlantic as a result of their now better orchestrated deployment of our new 4600 Network Interface Device. Voice and Data Connecting apparatus sales from our Armiger group remained steady at $1.2 million, reflecting continued acceptance of our new modular Epitome Line, while transmission product sales from our Comfab group totaled $1.5 million despite delays in new product development which prevented shipment. (Turbo, the most anticipated of these new transmission products leaves the lab this week for field testing.)

"Inventories during the quarter were reduced by nearly $1.6 million and our short-term debt position of $1,750,000 was retired; our plan now is to begin retiring long-term debt as well.

"Additionally during the quarter, David Stehlin joined the company in the new position of senior vice president, marketing and sales. David has begun strengthening the company's sales and marketing efforts by moving significant staff and dollar resources from R&D to marketing, deploying existing headquarters people to field positions and accelerating the company's entry

into the fiber optic market; get closer to the customer, define and design faster, the keys.

"Looking to the future, two regulatory changes, one now in effect and the other coming Jan. 1, will have positive effects on our company.

"The first, FCC regulation 88-57, better defines the points at which telephone company responsibility ends and customer responsibility begins and as such will serve to increase the market for the company's 'point of demarcation' Network Interface Products. Bell Atlantic and Ameritech have already selected one of our new products designed to this end and will begin deployment in early calendar '91; the other five Bells are evaluating.

"The second new regulation, commonly referred to as 'price cap' provides telephone companies with additional financial incentives to operate more efficiently. These incentives will increase the market size for the company's 'quick install' and 'remote test products,' areas in which Keptel is a clear leader.

"Overall, the reorganizations we executed during the third and fourth quarters coupled with our new factory in Mexico, new products coming and our strong base business, positions the company well for more predictable growth in both revenues and earnings in the years to come."

Keptel, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets a diversified range of telecommunications and CATV test equipment as well as a full range of voice and data connecting products.

KEPTEL, INC.
Comparative Statement of Income

Periods ended	12 Months		Fourth Quarter	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$51,103,000	$38,972,000	$13,521,000	$11,694,000
Inc. bef. taxes	2,060,000	3,866,000	470,000	925,000
Inc. tax provision	860,000	1,450,000	205,000	335,000
Net income	1,200,000	2,416,000	265,000	590,000
Earnings per share:				
Primary	$.26	$.52	$.06	$.12
Fully diluted	$.26	$.49	$.06	$.11
Average shares outstanding:				
Primary	4,695,886	4,691,603	4,595,866	4,799,073
Fully diluted	5,059,522	5,158,715	4,959,502	5,167,617

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MCLEAN, VA. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. William E. Sweeney, Jr. was named executive vice president and chief operating officer (COO) of BDM International, Inc. in an announcement today by Earle C. Williams, president and chief executive officer of the diversified professional and technical services firm.

"Dr. Sweeney has made immeasurable contributions to the leadership and operations of BDM," Williams said. "We believe that, as COO, his talents will be even more important in helping us seize the opportunities now available to BDM as an independent company."

Noting that BDM had been a Ford Aerospace subsidiary from 1988 until last month, he said, "The appointment of Dr. Sweeney as COO is the first step in aligning our senior executive talent with the exciting and challenging tasks ahead of us." On Oct. 24, simultaneous with the acquisition of Ford Aerospace by Loral Corporation, BDM was acquired by The Carlyle Group, L.P. in a move that will permit significant ownership by BDM management and staff, along with the operating freedom Carlyle vests in companies it has acquired.

Beyond the traditional duties of a COO, Williams explained, Dr. Sweeney will be responsible for implementing an "Operations Agenda" for BDM in 1991. According to Dr. Sweeney: "This Operations Agenda for 1991 will focus on the reinforcement of our new, independent status and the achievement of significant improvement in our business development, marketing, and business management. Additionally, we will emphasize the continuing commitment to quality services and products for both our traditional clients and our new commercial and governmental clients."

Dr. Sweeney succeeds F.N. Hofer in the COO role. Hofer continues as corporate executive vice president and has been newly charged with responsibility for a series of key corporate-wide projects affecting the way BDM operates.

BDM is headquartered in McLean, (metropolitan Washington) with offices and operations in more than 50 worldwide locations. The company provides professional and technical services to public and private sector clients in national defense and security, communications, energy, logistics, space, information systems, advanced technology, manufacturing technology, and other areas.

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#90316p5783 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
LANCASTER, PA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Cardinal Technologies, Inc., today announced the release of its latest addition to the Cardinal PC10 Series of

desktop computers, the PC10-386SX. The PC10-386SX is a fast and powerful personal computer with a fully integrated 12" monitor.

This computer was developed to satisfy the need for a "plug-in-and- play" ready, fully integrated personal computer, with a VGA monitor, capable of outperforming more expensive products on the market. Plus, the product retails for only $999.00 complete.

The integrated package design is similar to the Macintosh products from Apple and the IBM PS/1 from IBM. Everything needed to start up is built in. The result is an IBM compatible PC in a Mac-like package. In contrast to the PS/1 however, the designers from Cardinal have made sure that the integrated package has no unsightly or unnecessary wires or cords. And like products from Macintosh, only a single cord is needed to power up the PC10-386SX to start computing - satisfying an emerging consumer need for convenient, appliance-like functionality.

This low cost, very compact PC is rated at a maximum clock speed of up to 20MHz, has a base RAM of 1MB expandable to 8Mb, and features EMS 4.0 support. There are one parallel and two serial ports and a mouse port. There are also two industry standard (ISA) compatible expansion slots, one 16 bit and one 8 bit, to ensure full expandability and flexibility when using peripherals. Software compatibility includes Novell, 3COM, and Windows 3.0 Coupled with the Cardinal FlashCard and a network board, the PC10-386SX would make an ideal, high performance workstation, at a cost similar to a dedicated terminal.

Cardinal has included an operating system, DR DOS 5.0, a graphical user interface, built-in VGA graphics, and a 1.44MB 3.5' disk drive. The onboard 100 percent register level compatible VGA video controller chip is downward compatible with MDA, CGA, HGC and EGA formats and can provide 640x480 resolution for 256 colors or gray scales on the integrated monochrome monitor.

Overall configurations detail modest footprint dimensions of 10.75"x12.00"x15.25," which includes the monitor, and a weight of 15 lbs. For $1,399.00, the PC10-386SX can be delivered with a 40MB fixed drive.

Cardinal Technologies, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets advanced computer components and products. Sold under the Cardinal- brand and through various OEM's, all products are designed and produced domestically at Cardinal's state-of-the-art, 92,000 square foot manufacturing facility located in Lancaster, Pa. Cardinal's line includes communications and graphics products, as well as computer peripherals and subsystems such as high-performance color and monochrome display monitors, keyboards, communication software, desktop PC systems and terminals.

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WINTER PARK, FL (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern Starr Broadcasting Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: SSBG) reported record income from operations of $939,328, a 40.1 percent increase, for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and net income of $483,908, or $.37 per share compared to net income of $1,899 the prior year. Income from operations for the quarter increased 44.5 percent to $329,834, from $228,242 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for the quarter was $160,309, or $.12 per share, compared to a net loss of $85,085.

Revenues declined 13.8 percent and 13.1 percent to $2,045,649 and $4,360,279 for the quarter and six months, respectively. Excluding the operations of the Leesburg/Orlando station which was sold in December 1989, revenues would have been $1,832,722 and $3,762,165 for the quarter and six months ended Sept. 30, 1989, resulting in effective increases of 11.6 percent and 15.9 percent for the current fiscal year periods, respectively.

Management attributes most of the improvement in operations to a very favorable change in broadcast operating income at the company's Arkansas station. In addition, the reduction of outstanding debt in fiscal 1990 and the resulting decrease in interest expense during the current fiscal year has significantly improved the company's profitablity.

SOUTHERN STARR BROADCASTING GROUP, INC.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Six Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,045,649	$2,372,473	$4,360,279	$4,982,101
Income from operations	329,834	228,242	939,328	670,291
Net income	$ 160,309	$ (85,085)	$ 483,908	$ 1,899
Net income (loss) per share	$ 0.12	$ (0.06)	$ 0.37	$ 0.00

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TAMPA, FL (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Assix, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ASIX), which markets AccuBalance(TM), a proprietary wheel balancing program to large volume tire retailers, said that it expects to report an increase of approximately 20 percent in net income for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, on a sales increase of over 80 percent.

"This anticipated is a result of the successful installation of our systems with hundreds of Sears outlets," according to R. Park Newton, III, president and chief executive officer. "As expected, the number of installations declined in the first quarter, reflecting the completion of our program with Sears."

The company will continue to aggressively pursue new contracts with tire retailers across the country. Newton noted that contract negotiations are proceeding with two national tire chains which together represent a potential 400 new outlets for Assix's AccuBalance(TM) program. "During the coming months we will be expanding our test program with Montgomery Ward, from approximately 17 systems up to 40, principally in upper New York state. If we can sustain their profitability in this economically difficult region, we are confident that our program can be used successfully elsewhere in their chain," said Newton. Indications from Montgomery Ward, N.T.W. and other national chains interested in the company's proprietary systems continue to be positive.

"In the meantime, we have tightened our cost structure considerably in both field operations and manufacturing," Newton said. He noted that the company will continue to enjoy a strong recurring revenue stream from an installed base of approximately 1,900 systems. "Because the investment with our retail partners is taken at the beginning, these revenues carry extremely attractive margins."

Newton also said that the company expects to increase its unit base during the year with several of its existing customers with the introduction of its new AccuBalance(TM) program. AccuBalance(TM) is a quality control process consisting of a five-step tire and wheel service that includes Assix's patented Tire Matching(R) technology.

Name Change and New Directors Announced

At the company's annual meeting in Tampa last week, shareholders approved a name change from Assix International to Assix Incorporated. The new name reflects the company's recent restructuring into three strategic business units -- Assix Automotive, N.A., Inc.; Assix Automotive-Europe GmbH; and Bestec, Inc. -- headed by three newly elected directors.

Ronald Shamlaty has been elected a director, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Assix Incorporated. Shamlaty, 48, also will serve as president of Assix Automotive, N.A., Inc. His background consists of executive sales and marketing positions with Great Northern Nekoosa Corporation, Jim Walter Corporation and Xerox Corporation.

Charles Ross has been elected a director of Assix, and he will serve as the president of Bestec, Inc., Assix's subsidiary for world-wide management systems and training. Ross, 52, who has been president of Cross-Tec Venture Management, Inc., since 1987, previously served in a variety of executive

sales and marketing positions with Honeywell.

George Crook also was elected an Assix director, as well as the president of Assix Automotive-Europe, GmbH. Crook, 63, has served as an independent international consultant to Assix for the past five years. His background consists of international sales, marketing and management positions with United Technologies, Litton Industries and Gulf & Western.

Assix shareholders re-elected J. Theodore Biesanz, chairman of the board, R. Park Newton, III, and James Carlstedt as directors.

CONTACT: S. Lee Puckett, vice president of Assix, 813-224-0228, or Cindy Knoebel, 212-661-8030, or Linda Eitel, 312-266-7800, both of the Financial Relations Board for Assix

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#90316p5790 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MADISON, WI (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Madison Gas and Electric Co. (MGE) (NASDAQ-NMS: MDSN) reported earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $0.94 per share compared with $0.84 earned in the same quarter a year ago. Earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $2.06 per share compared with $1.94 earned in the comparable nine-month period a year ago. The 12-month earnings for the periods ended Sept. 30 were $3.03 per share this year versus $2.87 last year.

Revenues in the quarter just ended were $49.3 million compared with $47.1 million a year ago. Revenues in the nine months just ended were $160.2 million compared with $158.9 million in the same year-ago period.

"A 5 percent increase in electric retail sales was primarily responsible for the higher third-quarter earnings this year," said G. Howard Phipps, senior vice president-finance. "The higher sales reflected the steady growth of our customer base and actual temperatures which averaged about two degrees higher than normal," Phipps said.

"During this past summer, other operations and maintenance expenses were down 2 percent from the third quarter of last year," Phipps added. "This is an indication that our comprehensive cost-containment efforts continue to be successful."

MGE is a public utility engaged in generation and transmission of electric energy and in its distribution over 250 square miles in Dane County. The company also distributes and transports natural gas through 962 square miles in Dane, Columbia and Iowa counties.

The common stock of MGE is traded over-the-counter (OTC), is reported through the NASD National Market System and is quoted in the NASD Automated Quotation

System.

MADISON GAS AND ELECTRIC CO.
(Unaudited)

Third Quarter Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Operating revenue	$49,340,000	$47,080,000
Operating income	10,181,000	9,163,000
Net income	6,765,000	5,938,000
Average shares outstanding	7,039,988	6,877,725
Share earnings	$0.94	$0.84
Nine Months Ended Sept. 30		
Operating revenue	$160,174,000	$158,877,000
Operating income	24,814,000	23,413,000
Net income	14,801,000	13,721,000
Average shares outstanding	6,997,881	6,841,741
Share earnings	$2.06	$1.94
12 Months Ended Sept. 30		
Operating revenue	$218,885,000	$216,376,000
Operating income	35,007,000	32,690,000
Net income	21,676,000	20,161,000
Average shares outstanding	6,976,851	6,819,231
Share earnings	$3.03	$2.87

CONTACT: G.H. Phipps, senior V.P. of MGE, 608-252-7022; or Hal Bergen or Sharon Peters of Ruder-Finn, 312-644-8600, for MGE

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#90316p5791 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDEN PRAIRIE, MINN. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Roe H. Hatlen, chairman, president and CEO of Buffets, Inc. (NASDAQ: BOCB), announced today that the company has completed the purchase of C. Dennis Scott's 50 percent interest in Evergreen Buffets Inc., operator of four Old Country Buffet restaurants in the Pacific Northwest. The acquisition increases the company's ownership interest in Evergreen Buffets Inc. to 90 percent. Joel Brown, 10 percent minority owner of Evergreen Buffets Inc. will continue to be in charge of the operation of Evergreen's restaurants and will direct the development of two restaurants in 1991.

Buffets, Inc. also announced that it has reached an agreement in principle with Les Storhaug to oversee the operation and development of its expansion into Texas. Storhaug, who is a seven-year veteran of Old Country Buffet will have a 10 percent minority interest in the newly formed Texas Buffets, Inc. and will oversee the development of at least two Texas Old Country Buffet restaurants in 1991.

With these announcements, Hatlen stated that the company now operates 84 restaurants in 14 states and will open four additional restaurants by year end. In 1991, the company expects to complete the most aggressive expansion program in its history with the addition of 28 new restaurants.

CONTACT: Roe H. Hatlen of Buffets, 612-942-9760

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#90316p5792 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Reading Co. (NASDAQ: RDGCA) today announced that it had completed the sale of several properties, including the historic Reading Terminal Market and the Reading Terminal Train Shed, to the Pennsylvania Convention Center Authority and the Redevelopment Authority of the city of Philadelphia for use in the Pennsylvania Convention Center project in Center City Philadelphia, for $18.4 million.

Reading will also receive an additional $3.3 million in the next several months for the sale of additional property owned by the company and located in and around the Convention Center site.

Commenting on the transaction, Charles M. Carter, president and chief executive officer of Reading, said, "We are pleased that this transaction has been concluded and that the Convention Center project can now move forward to the benefit of the city of Philadelphia and the region. Moreover, we are pleased that PCCA has acquired the Reading Terminal Market which will continue to operate in conjunction with the Convention Center project."

Carter also stated, "This transaction represents the final planned divestiture in the reformation of Reading which began in 1988. The company is now in a strong financial condition and is well positioned to capitalize on major acquisition opportunities that should arise."

CONTACT: James A. Wunderle of the Reading Co., 215-735-8300

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#90316p5797 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTWOOD, MASS. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - LTX Corporation (NASDAQ: LTXX) announced today that it has shipped a 256 pin Deltamaster, valued at approximately $3 million, to NEC. This is the first shipment of this new digital VLSI test system. The Deltamaster operates at a 80/160 MHz test data rate and is fully software compatible with and upgradeable from all Micromaster digital test systems.

NEC has been a customer of both the linear/mixed signal and digital VLSI test systems of LTX. It plans to use the Deltamaster to test 32-bit

microprocessors and RISC processors.

LTX Corporation is a leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of computer-controlled equipment for testing linear, digital and mixed-signal devices. For integrating the total production environment, from engineering through final test, LTX offers multi-platform networking and information products. Headquartered in Westwood, Mass., LTX has worldwide sales and service facilities to support its customer base.

CONTACT: R. Scott Higgins of LTX Corporation, 617-461-1000

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#90316p5800 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE: KLT) announced that an administrative law judge of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), on Friday, Nov. 9, adopted a hearing schedule regarding Kansas City Power & Light's application for approval of its proposed merger with Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE). Significant dates in the hearing schedule include:

Jan. 16, 1991 -- Staff and intervenor direct cases March 4, 1991 -- Hearing begins March 22, 1991 -- Hearing ends May 30, 1991 -- Initial decision The administrative law judge also denied a motion by Kansas Gas and Electric to suspend Kansas City Power & Light's FERC application.

On July 23, 1990, Kansas City Power & Light commenced an all cash, fully financed tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of Kansas Gas and Electric. The offer price for the common stock, approximately $857 million in the aggregate, represents a 37 percent premium over the market price of Kansas Gas and Electric on July 20, 1990, the last trading day prior to the commencement of Kansas City Power & Light's offer.

The tender offer is scheduled to expire on Nov. 30 at 7 p.m., New York City time, unless the offer is further extended.

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#90316p5802 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
SEATTLE (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Egyptian airline, EgyptAir, has ordered five Boeing 737-500s, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group confirmed today. Value of the order is about $150 million. EgyptAir said it is ordering the 737-500s for fleet expansion and will operate the new aircraft on international and domestic routes.

EgyptAir's new twinjets, to be powered by CFM56-3C1 engines, will have a maximum takeoff weight of 133,500 lbs. (60,680 kgs.) They will be certified for both mixed-class and all-tourist class seating ranging from 108 to 132 passengers, depending on configuration. In the high-gross-weight version selected by EgyptAir, the 737-500 has a range of up to 3,340 statute miles (5,345 km).

"The operational flexibility of the 737-500 means EgyptAir will be able to use this aircraft for both its international services to European destinations as well as for domestic flights," said Seddik Belyamani, vice president for international sales at Boeing Commercial Airplane Group. "We're very pleased EgyptAir chose the 737-500 and we know the airline will be impressed with this airplane's performance."

The 737-500 entered commercial service in February 1990. It is the smallest and newest member of the family of three new-generation 737 twinjets that are among the quietest, most fuel-efficient aircraft in the world. The other members of the family are the mid-size 737-300 and the larger 737-400.

More than 60 customers around the world have now ordered 1,715 of the new-generation 737s. Orders for the entire 737 program, the most popular airplane in commercial aviation history, total 2,859.

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#90316p5805 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LINCOLN PARK, N.J. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Polymerix, Inc. (NASDAQ: PLXX), a development stage company engaged in the manufacture of "TriMax" brand plastic lumber from recycled plastic materials, announced today that it has reached agreement in principle to license the company's technology to a joint venture partnership consisting of Energy Answers Corporation, an Albany, N.Y., developer and operator of recycling and resource recovery facilities, and On Line Management Associates, Inc., a solid waste consulting company based in Hauppauge, N.Y.

Under the agreement, Energy Answers will have the right to construct and operate a TriMax lumber manufacturing facility in the state of Florida, and the opportunity to obtain further licenses for the technology in specific other states.

The agreement calls for Polymerix to receive an initial license fee and a royalty on gross sales of lumber produced under the license.

Gary Schantz, president of Polymerix, said: "This affiliation will provide Polymerix with access to the raw material sourcing, engineering, and project financing capabilities of Energy Answers, a company truly committed to

recycling. That access will significantly improve our company's ability to penetrate the marketplace with our TriMax lumber product and enhance our prospects for growth. We are extremely pleased to be working with Energy Answers, a company providing effective solutions to our nation's recycling and solid waste issues."

Polymerix currently produces TriMax, a structural plastic lumber product intended to replace pressure treated wood in many outdoor applications, at its company-owned manufacturing facility in Ronkonkoma, N.Y. To date, sales of TriMax lumber have been concentrated primarily in the marine construction and landscaping markets.

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#90316p5808 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - BBN Advanced Computers Inc. today announced the results of the SPECthruput benchmark on the TC2000(tm) parallel supercomputer. The TC2000 achieved a SPECthruput rating of 510 using 63 processors. "This is by far the highest SPECthruput rating reported to date on any computer," said Dr. W.B. Barker, president of BBN Advanced Computers.

Version 1.0 of the SPEC benchmark suite, released by the Systems Performance Evaluation Cooperative (SPEC), consists of 10 engineering and scientific programs, written in C and Fortran, that measure fixed and floating point performance. To measure throughput on multiprocessor systems, two copies of a single benchmark are run concurrently for each processor in the system. The times to execute the benchmarks are used to generate throughput ratios relative to the performance of a VAX 11/780. The SPECthruput ratio is computed as the geometric mean of the throughput ratios for the 10 benchmark programs.

For comparison, the highest SPECthruput reported to date is 91.6 for a four-processor Stardent 3040. Also, the Motorola Delta 188k-QP system, which uses four 25 MHz 88000 processors, achieved a SPECthruput rating of 41.2.

The TC2000 system's shared memory architecture is uniquely suited to applications that require the power of a large number of closely-coupled processors. The system's scalable performance allows a dramatic increase in total throughput to an architectural limit of 512 processors, 11,264 Dhrystone MIPS, 10,240 peak MFLO PS, 8,192 MBytes of memory, and 2,560 MBytes/second of I/O bandwidth. The TC2000's unique architecture provides efficient support for both the shared memory and message passing programming models. A reason for this versatility is the high random access bandwidth (RAB) provided by the TC2000's Butterfly switch.

Developers can group multiple processors into functional clusters, applying

processing power simultaneously to both program development and application execution. The TC2000's native nX(tm) operating system, the world's largest-scale symmetric multiprocessing implementation of UNIX, is complemented by the pSOS+m(tm) real-time executive and by the industry-leading Xtra software development tool set. The Xtra tools enable programmers to interactively debug parallel software, easily setting and examining variables across multiple processors, as well as doing performance analysis tasks. Unlike other massively parallel computers, the TC2000 system is a complete, multi-user system that conforms to industry standards, inc luding Ada, POSIX, the X Window System and NFS(tm). BBN Advanced Computers Inc. develops and markets the most easily programmed high-performance multiprocessing computer systems for both scientific supercomputing and real-time applications. BBN has installed more than 300 parallel computing systems worldwide at major aerospace, industrial, government and university sites.

Headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., BBN Advanced Computers is a wholly owned subsidiary of Bolt Beranek and Newman Inc., a diversified high technology corporation. BBN develops, manufactures, sells, and supports products including private wide-area communication networks, data analysis software, and parallel processing computers; provides research and development services in the computer and physical sciences; and builds advanced simulation and sensor and surveillance systems. For its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, BBN had sales of $262 million.

CONTACT: Tom Downey of BBN Advanced Computers Inc., 617-873-2558.

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#90316p5809 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesaba Aviation, Inc., today reported that it flew 18.2 million revenue passenger miles during the month of October, a 17.3 percent increase over 15.5 million revenue passenger miles flown during the same month last year (one revenue passenger flown one mile equals one revenue passenger mile).

The airline said it carried 85,170 passengers in October, an increase of 16.6 percent over 73,014 passengers carried last October. Mesaba's load factor during the month was 54.7 percent, compared to 54.1 percent last year.

Mesaba operates as Northwest Airlink under an airline marketing agreement with Northwest Airlines at Minneapolis/St. Paul International and Detroit Metropolitan Airports.

The regional carrier currently provides scheduled airline service to 37 airports in the ten states of Illinois, Iowa, Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

Mesaba Aviation, Inc., is the wholly owned subsidiary of AirTran Corporation

(NASDAQ: ATCC).

MESABA AVIATION, INC. MONTHLY OPERATING STATISTICS

	October 1990	October 1989	Percent Change
Passengers carried:	85,170	73,014	+16.6
Available seat miles:	33,244,999	28,660,570	+16.0
Revenue pass. miles:	18,176,676	15,502,077	+17.3
System-wide load factor:	54.7 pct.	54.1 pct.	+.6 pts.

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#90316p5811 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHESDA, MD (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Realty Investment Trust (NYSE: FRT) reported today that funds from operations for the third quarter of 1990 increased 23 percent to a record $6.0 million ($.36 per share) compared to $4.9 million ($.34 per share) in the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter was $1.26 million (eight cents per share) versus $739,000 (five cents per share) for the same quarter last year.

This increase can be attributed to improved operating results from recently renovated and remerchandised centers, as well as continued growth from the trust's base portfolio.

Funds from operations also increased for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, rising 26 percent to a record $18.5 million ($1.11 per share) compared to $14.7 million ($1.04 per share) for the comparable period of 1989. Net income for the period was $5.34 million (32 cents per share) compared to $9.89 million (70 cents per share) for the same period last year.

In making the announcement, Steven J. Guttman, president and chief executive officer stated: "We are pleased with our third quarter results. By virtue of the quality of our centers and the strength of their prime locations, our overall portfolio continues to perform well, despite the difficult economic environment."

Federal Realty is an equity real estate investment trust which concentrates on acquiring older shopping centers in prime locations. Trust properties are located in ten states in the mid-Atlantic region between the New York metropolitan area and Richmond, Va.

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#90316p5813 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert D. Swenson, president and chairman of AirTran Corporation (NASDAQ: ATCC) said that John K. Ellingboe has joined AirTran's board of directors effective Sept. 28, 1990.

Ellingboe is an officer at Twin Cities-based Fingerhut Companies, Inc. (NYSE: FHT) where, since May of 1990, he has served as vice president, general counsel, secretary and member of the management committee. Prior to that, he was a partner at the Minneapolis law firm of Briggs and Morgon where he served as AirTran's legal counsel.

"We are pleased to have John as a director of both AirTran Corporation and Mesaba Aviation, Inc.," said Rob Swenson. "John's legal knowledge and his airline experience working as Mesaba's legal counsel since 1982 will be a tremendous benefit to both corporations."

AirTran Corporation is the parent company of Mesaba Aviation, a Twin Cities-based regional airline which provides scheduled airline service to 38 cities in the Upper Midwest.

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#90316p5819 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Kemper Financial Services, Inc. (KFS) has introduced the Kemper Short-Term Global Income Fund, a mutual fund designed to take advantage of international investment opportunities in high-quality, short-term debt obligations.

The Kemper Short-Term Global Income Fund is designed for investors who want a high level of current income, low credit risk, a relatively stable share price and a portion of their assets diversified globally.

"This fund is designed to offer investors higher yields than those currently available from domestic money market mutual funds, with less fluctuation in net asset value than a longer-term bond fund," said KFS Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer Stephen B. Timbers.

"The higher yield opportunity arises from the higher interest rates currently available overseas - even on short-term, high-quality paper. And the fund's shorter average maturity (when compared to longer-term bond funds) should mean less price fluctuation due to changes in interest rates," he said.

"Kemper Short-Term Global Income Fund intends to utilize a cross-hedging strategy to help protect the fund against adverse currency moves," Timbers continued. "This strategy can help minimize net asset value (share price) fluctuation due to currency exchange rate changes," he said.

The Kemper Short-Term Global Income Fund's cross-hedge strategy involves buying high-yielding money market instruments denominated in various European currencies, and then selling forward a lower-yielding currency to hedge the currency risk.

Based on current market conditions, the fund's managers intend to invest primarily in Europe, because the high correlation of currencies in the European Monetary System currently makes for efficient cross-hedges to reduce currency risk.

Kemper Financial Services is the Kemper Short-Term Global Income Fund's investment manager, and will use the services of its overseas affiliate, Kemper Investment Management Company, LTD., London for its international fixed income investment expertise. KFS also manages the Kemper Global Income Fund, a longer-term global bond mutual fund.

The Kemper Short-Term Global Income Fund minimum investment is $1,000, or $250 for an Individual Retirement Account (IRA). KFS has been an investment manager for more than 40 years, and has approximately $62 billion in assets under management.

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#90316p5820 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BELLEVUE, WASH (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - U S WEST NewVector Group Inc. (NASDAQ: USWNA) announced today that U S WEST (NYSE: USW) has proposed a transaction in which U S WEST would acquire the 19 percent of NewVector it does not currently own in a stock, tax-free merger. Upon consummation of the merger, each of the approximately 9.7 million shares of common stock of NewVector not owned by U S WEST would be converted into the right to receive 0.95 shares of U S WEST common stock.

Based upon closing prices as of Nov. 9, the total consideration paid to NewVector's public shareholders would be approximately $350 million, or $36 per share.

John E. DeFeo, U S WEST NewVector chairman and chief executive officer, said, "I anticipate that the board of directors will appoint a special committee of independent directors to consider the proposal."

U S WEST NewVector Group Inc., headquartered in Bellevue, has cellular operations in 16 midwestern, western and southwestern states. NewVector offers U S WEST Paging service in 58 markets. NewVector is a majority-owned subsidiary of U S WEST Inc., a diversified corporation based in Englewood, Colo.

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#90316p5821 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - IRT Property Co. (NYSE: IRT) today announced the approval of a $25 million five-year, non-callable loan agreement with a major Southeastern financial institution. The loan supplements an existing $5 million line of credit with the same bank.

Donald W. MacLeod, chairman and president of the real estate investment trust, commented, "Securing this loan now is a strong endorsement of the equality of IRT's investment portfolio and the stability of the company."

MacLeod stated: "This loan gives us the funding to enhance our portfolio and maintain a competitive edge in a tight real estate market. Those companies with the available capital to finance expansion and remodeling programs will be better positioned to attract new tenants and retain existing ones. This loan enables us to make improvements which will assist us in maintaining and increasing tenant leasing."

The loan permits IRT to make prepayments and re-borrow at any time during the term of the loan up to the $25 million ceiling. The interest rate for each advance under the loan may be designated by IRT at the prime rate or based upon other indexes.

MacLeod said: "The present market also provides some excellent opportunities to acquire new properties below market value. We expect to make selective property acquisitions and to continue our program of repurchasing our Eurodollar Convertible Debentures."

IRT Property Co. specializes in neighborhood necessity shopping centers in the Southeastern United States. Anchor tenants include Harris Teeter, Wal-Mart, Ingles and other popular national and regional chain stores. The portfolio of 90 investments represents more than 5.3 million square feet of retail space.

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#90316p5822 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES PLAINES, ILL. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Hughes Aircraft Co. announced plans today to phase out operations at its Hughes Optical Products Inc. subsidiary over the course of the next year.

The subsidiary, located in Des Plaines, employs about 150 people and has been involved in the production of precision optical components with emphasis of defense applications.

Hughes officials said that the plant was being closed because of the high costs associated with its operation, including the fact that the plant is very energy inefficient in an area where utility costs are among the highest in the nation, and that the leased building is twice as large as warranted by its primarily defense optics business. This situation, coupled with a declining U.S. defense market, made it economically unfeasible to continue its operation.

The phase-out is expected to be completed by late 1991. The company plans to assist employees in finding other jobs during the phase-out.

Hughes plans to transfer manufacturing processes and equipment, along with ongoing programs, to other Hughes' organizations.

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#90316p5824 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - ValCom, Inc. (NASDAQ: VLCM) of Omaha, Neb., today announced TechTrade -- the first nationwide computer trade-in program sponsored by a national reseller. Through TechTrade, ValCom gives customers trade-in value for their installed base of computers when they upgrade, providing an economic and hassle-free opportunity to take advantage of new technology.

The program is the result of a marketing agreement between ValCom and Boston Computer Exchange -- the first and most successful computer brokerage business. TechTrade will be offered to customers through ValCom's network of computer centers in 46 states.

"Computer environments such as Windows 3.0 are making many of the computers sold in the 1980s functionally obsolete," said Bill L. Fairfield, ValCom's president and chief executive officer. "But businesses can't afford to just walk away from this investment. TechTrade gives them a return on their used equipment."

JoeAnn Stahel, president of Storeboard/Computer Intelligence, a computer industry market research firm in Dallas, says the program might be the necessary inducement for customers to accelerate replacement of older parts. "Conducted by a nationally recognized reseller and an experienced broker of used computers, TechTrade should stimulate a generally sluggish PC market," she said.

Alex Randall, co-founder and president of Boston Computer Exchange and the

recognized authority on the secondary computer market, has a message for businesses that use computers. "Don't let what you own stand between you and what you really want," said Randall. "There's a market for your current equipment. What's obsolete to one person is another's technological windfall."

Given the rapid pace of technology and the need for upgrades, Randall sees unlimited potential in the secondary market. "With TechTrade, ValCom is the first major reseller to recognize the strategic importance of trade-in in the 1990s."

Randall is the author of the "Used Computer Handbook" (Microsoft Press), considered the best guide for people thinking of buying, selling or upgrading a used computer.

ValCom is a leading provider of support services and PCs from IBM, Compaq, NEC and Epson, along with related products from Hewlett- Packard, Oracle, Novell, Banyan, and others.

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#90316p5827 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - BBN Advanced Computers Inc. today announced the release of several additional software features for the TC2000(tm) massively parallel supercomputer, including new releases of the UNIX(R)-based nX(tm) operating system, the Xtra(tm) software development tool kit, the TC2000 C and Fortran compilers, and the pSOS+m(tm) real-time executive.

The TC2000 system is the only massively parallel supercomputer which provides a fully native UNIX development environment. In all other massively parallel systems, the computer is an attached processor or "back-end" to a workstation or a personal computer, resulting in substantial bottlenecks in the software development cycle.

"These new capabilities further extend our lead in software development productivity for massively parallel systems," said Dr. W. B. Barker, president of BBN Advanced Computers. "It doesn't matter how fast the system is if you can't program it."

Interleaving

The nX operating system and the C and Fortran compilers now support interleaving of shared memory across the Butterfly(R) switch in a TC2000 system. This facility uses the interleaver hardware on the TC/FPV processor boards to distribute a shared array or other data structure across multiple

memory modules in the system, providing a software- transparent means to increase the effective bandwidth to global memory.

Switch interleaving makes use of the TC2000's high random access bandwidth (RAB), which is a system's ability to randomly fetch words from global memory. High RAB is particularly important for data classification and retrieval, sparse-matrix algorithms, adaptive grid problems, combinational optimization, and real-time simulation. The TC2000's RAB, the highest of any massively parallel system, enables the TC2000 to avoid the bottlenecks found on other systems when solving large-memory problems.

About the TC2000 Computer
The TC2000 system's shared memory architecture is uniquely suited to applications that require the power of a large number of closely-coupled processors. The system's scalable performance allows a dramatic increase in total throughput to an architectural limit of 512 processors, 11,264 Dhrystone MIPS, 10,240 peak MFLO PS, 8,192 MBytes of memory, and 2,560 MBytes/second of I/O bandwidth. The TC2000's unique architecture provides efficient support for both the shared memory and message passing programming models. A reason for this versatility is the high random access bandwidth (RAB) provided by the TC2000's Butterfly switch.

BBN Advanced Computers Inc. develops and markets the most easily programmed high-performance multiprocessing computer systems for both scientific supercomputing and real-time applications. BBN has installed more than 300 parallel computing systems worldwide at major aerospace, industrial, government and university sites.

Headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., BBN Advanced Computers is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bolt Beranek and Newman Inc. (NYSE: BBN), a diversified high technology corporation.

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#90316p5828 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - College Retirement Equities Fund (CREF), part of the nationwide non-profit TIAA-CREF pension system for higher education, held its first annual meeting for policyholders in Atlanta today.

Speaking at the Alliance Theatre in the Robert W. Woodruff Arts Center, TIAA-CREF Chairman and CEO Clifton R. Wharton Jr., highlighted the growth of the pension system and its services for 1.4 million participants at more than 4,400 institutions across the United States.

Terming CREF's first annual meeting an "historic" occasion, Wharton said that the CREF Stock Account, which was founded in 1952 and pioneered the variable

annuity, is now "the largest single managed equity fund in the U.S., and the largest U.S.-based investor in international equities."

The annual meeting was held in accordance with CREF's transition into a new governance structure implemented under provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940 and the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Wharton also announced that CREF, along with its companion organization, Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association, were now accepted as alternatives to state pension plans for public college and university employees in 42 states. TIAA, an insurance company with $49 billion in assets, offers a traditional annuity to education community employees to complement CREF's variable annuity. Wharton noted that TIAA recently was awarded Standard & Poor's highest "AAA" rating for its claims-paying ability and overall financial strength.

The CREF Money Market Account introduced in April 1988, and the two new CREF investment funds introduced on March 1, 1990 -- the Bond Market Account and the Social Choice Account -- are now available at educational institutions employing more than 90 percent of TIAA-CREF participants.

The order of business at the annual meeting included the participants' ratification of the selection by CREF of Deloitte & Touche as its independent public accountant.

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KALAMAZOO, MICH (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - International Controls Corp. has extended the expiration date of its exchange offer to its debentureholders from 5 p.m., Nov. 13, 1990, to 5 p.m., Nov. 27, 1990. As of 5 p.m., on Nov. 8, 1990, $5,744,000 of the subordinated discount debentures and $4,000 of the 12-3/4 percent debentures had been tendered. Debentureholders who desire further information about the committee may contact Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., senior managing director of Rothschild Inc., at 212-757-6000.

CONTACT: Kevin Hanley of International Controls Corp., 616-343-6121, or William Catacosinos or Marisa Heine of D. F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for International Controls

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#90316p5832 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Life Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: LTEK), today announced it has entered into a letter of intent to sell certain assets of its Molecular Diagnostics business, including its human papilloma

virus (HPV) product line, to Digene Diagnostics, Inc., of Silver Spring, Md. Life Technologies will retain its proprietary nucleic acid amplification and decontamination technologies.

This transaction, which is expected to be completed by year-end, is subject to a number of conditions including the execution of a mutually satisfactory purchase and sale agreement.

Life Technologies expects to realize an amount in excess of book value. Therefore, no loss is anticipated.

Digene Diagnostics, Inc., develops and markets DNA diagnostic tests for the detection of human viral disease. Digene also develops, manufactures and markets reagents for use in biomedical research laboratories.

Life Technologies, Inc., develops, manufactures and supplies more than 2,000 products used principally in life science research and commercial manufacture of genetically engineered products. The company believes it is a leading supplier of sera and other cell growth media, as well as enzymes and other biological products necessary for recombinant DNA procedures.

CONTACT: Joseph C. Stokes Jr., vice president, 301-840-8000, or Casimir P. Eitner, vice president, 301-258-8202, both of Life Technologies; or Robert P. Borchert of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Life Technologies

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#90316p5834 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - 3M (NYSE: MMM) has announced a quarterly dividend of 73 cents a share. This is the 297th consecutive quarterly payment on 3M common stock.

Dividends are payable Dec. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 23, 1990.

There were 220,292,186 common shares outstanding as of Sept. 30, 1990. There are approximately 112,770 shareholders of record.

CONTACT: Henry Owen of 3M, 612-733-8037

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#90316p5838 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Chicago Title and Trust Co. today announced it has signed a letter of intent under which Chicago Title and Trust Co. would purchase the title insurance subsidiaries of Westwood Equities Corp., holding company for Los Angeles-based Ticor Title Insurance Companies.

Completion of the transaction is subject to various regulatory requirements and other conditions. Terms were not disclosed. The transaction is anticipated to close in the first quarter of 1991.

Chicago Title and Trust Co. is the parent of Chicago Title Insurance Company and Security Union Title Insurance Company (formerly Safeco Title Insurance Company).

The Ticor Title Insurance Companies include Ticor Title Insurance Company of California, Ticor Title Insurance Company and Ticor Title Guarantee Company (New York).

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#90316p5842 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD, ILL (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Baxter Healthcare Corp. and Brigham and Women's Hospital announced today that they have signed a four-year stockless/just-in-time supply and sales agreement. Under the agreement, Baxter will manage most of the inventory required to service the hospital's needs and provide daily deliveries of medical supplies in ready-to-use packaging. The agreement is expected to save Brigham approximately $4 million in inventory and related costs and could result in approximately $60 million in sales for Baxter over the course of the contract.

"We have had an excellent relationship with Baxter over the years," said Nicholas J. Johnson, Brigham's vice president, administrative services. "This agreement represents the type of partnership relationship we wish to forge with our vendors. Brigham is at the cutting edge of clinical care and medical technology. Baxter's program will provide us a 'state-of-the-art' materials management system."

Baxter's stockless/just-in-time distribution program, called ValueLink, can reduce or eliminate the need for hospitals to warehouse products by using Baxter's distribution services to delivery supplies as they are needed in quantities that are ready to use.

Stockless delivery represents a departure from the way hospitals typically receive and handle supplies. Most hospitals receive medical products in bulk quantities delivered by numerous vendors. The large cases must then be broken down into small units and sent to the various hospital departments.

Hospitals can also convert old storage areas into revenue-producing space, such as new operating rooms or diagnostic laboratories. Brigham expects to vacate its off-site warehouse once the stockless program is fully implemented.

With 720 inpatient beds and more than 200,000 outpatient visits, Brigham and Women's is one of the pre-eminent medical centers in the United States. Located in Boston, it is a major referral center and the teaching affiliate of Harvard Medical School.

Baxter Healthcare Corp. is the principal domestic operating subsidiary of Deerfield-based Baxter International Inc. (NYSE: BAX). Baxter is the leading worldwide manufacturer and marketer of health-care products, systems and services. It offers 120,000 products to health-care providers in 100 countries.

CONTACT: Geoffrey D. Fenton of Baxter, 708-948-3436, or Nicholas J. Johnson of Brigham, 617-732-5566

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#90316p5843 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARSON, CA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Nissan-built vehicles were named winners of five categories in Road & Track Magazine's "Ten Best Cars in the World, 1991" issue. The awards were announced in the December issue of the monthly automotive publication.

The five award-winning Nissan vehicles were the Nissan Sentra XE, the Nissan Maxima SE, the Nissan 300ZX, the Nissan 300ZX Turbo and the Infiniti Q45 performance/luxury sedan. In addition, the Nissan 300ZX Turbo and the Infiniti Q45 were named to the "Ten Best" list among all 1991 models.

The magazine's 10 judges first selected 3 to 5 vehicles in each of 10 market segments, then drove them in back-to-back evaluations before voting and choosing the winners in each category, as well as selecting the "Ten Best Cars in the World, 1991."

The all-new Nissan Sentra XE was selected as the Best Coupe/Sedan, less than $10,000. Road & Track describes the Nissan Sentra XE as economical, efficient reliable, durable, roomy, practical and fun.

Noting that the Nissan Maxima has helped position Nissan at the forefront of Japanese design, Road & Track named the Nissan Maxima SE as the Best Coupe/Sedan, $17,000 to $28,000.

Citing engine performance, outstanding handling and "impressive" Full Active Suspension option, Road & Track said the Infiniti Q45 overcame years of breeding, tradition, racing history and a healthy dose of snob appeal to become one of the "Ten Best Cars in the World, 1991" and "Best Coupe/Sedan $28,000 to $45,000.

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#90316p5846 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES MOINES, IOWA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Meredith Corp. (NYSE: MDP) board of directors today declared a quarterly dividend of 16 cents per share, payable Dec. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record Nov. 23, 1990.

During the company's annual shareholders' meeting earlier in the day, stockholders reelected four directors to terms expiring in 1993. They are: Jack D. Rehm, president and chief executive officer; Pierson M. Grieve, chairman, president and chief executive officer, Ecolab Inc.; Robert E. Lee, executive director, The Denver Foundation; and Barbara S. Uehling, chancellor of the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Stockholders also approved a Meredith restricted stock plan for non-employee directors.

Meredith Corporation, headquartered in Des Moines, Iowa, is a Fortune 500 diversified media company involved in magazine and book publishing, television broadcasting, and residential real estate marketing and franchising.

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#90316p5855 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILLISTON, N.D. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - GeoResources, Inc. (NASDAQ: GEOI) announced 1990 third quarter net income of $155,000 or 4 cents per share and net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $182,000 or 4.6 cents per share. The company said this higher profitability was entirely due to substantially higher oil prices in August and September 1990. In order to further capitalize on these higher prices, the company recently completed workovers on 11 wells that increased production by a net 64 barrels of oil per day. That workover program will continue into the fourth quarter of 1990.

In addition to increased earnings, higher oil prices have strengthened GeoResources' Balance Sheet with increased cash and working capital and provided substantial increases in cash flow. Cash flow from operations increased to $745,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 from $332,000 for the same period in 1989. With higher cash flow, the company expects to significantly increase its activity in oil and gas operations in the coming months.

GeoResources, Inc.'s common stock is traded in the national over-the-counter

market under the symbol GEOI.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statement from Laventhol & Horwath is intended for publication.

It is issued in response to a continuing barrage of negative media stories appearing in major national newspapers in recent days.

Continued media speculation about the future of Laventhol & Horwath distorts and denigrates the underlying strengths of this company.

Certain members of the national media, in their unending quest for negative news, have clearly been maneuvered and manipulated by embittered ex-partners. Ironically, several of these anonymous "tipsters" are basically responsible for many of the litigation problems that have beset L&H.

Nonetheless, the people who brought us the Grabill case, one of the darkest days in the history of L&H, are gone from the company. We've cleaned house, we've changed policies and procedures; we are re- dedicated to client service and satisfaction, and we are trying to move forward in a positive fashion.

Of course L&H has problems. Every single accounting firm in the nation has severe problems -- many caused by the "sue the accountants, they have deep pockets" mentality so prevalent today. The soft economy has also hurt the profession, L&H, and hundreds of other companies world-wide.

Laventhol & Horwath is dedicated to a continuation of a long and distinguished history of quality and service.

We are committed to this goal, despite what embittered ex-partners and employees, hiding behind the cloak of anonymity, may tell the media. Ultimately, we believe the complete story will be told.

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#90316p5857 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Sales of the newly redesigned Mercury Tracer in Northern California during October continued a surge that began in late August.

According to Lincoln-Mercury Division's San Francisco District Sales Manager

B.C. Sauer, Tracer sales in the district, which includes Northern California, Washington, and Oregon, were the best for any month since the car was introduced in March 1987. A total of 698 Tracers were sold in October which topped the previous high of 573 delivered in July 1987 by 22 percent, and October of last year by 173 percent.

Sales of the Lincoln Town Car continue to outpace trends in face of a generally slow market. Sauer reported that since January, sales of the Town Car in San Francisco District were up a hefty 103 percent compared to the same period last year, and were the second best in the nation. Dealers delivered a total of 7,414 Town Cars during the January-to-October period. Sauer pointed out that the fuel- efficiency of the Town Car (17 city, 23 highway) is about double that of its 1970s predecessors.

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#90316p5864 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - President Bush today awarded the National Medal of Technology to AT&T Bell Laboratories executive John S. Mayo. Mayo was among nine other individuals similarly honored.

The National Medal of Technology gives presidential recognition to companies or individuals who "have made exceptional contributions to the well-being of the nation through the development or application of technology." AT&T Bell Laboratories received the corporate award in 1985, and was the first institution so honored.

Mayo, who is senior vice president of Network Systems and Network Services, was recognized for "providing the technological foundation for information age communications, and for overseeing the conversion of the national switched telephone network from analog to a digital-based technology for virtually all long-distance calling both nationwide and between continents."

Throughout his career, Mayo has played an important role in development of digital technologies that have brought the world to the threshold of the Information Age. His work and leadership contributed to the first transistorized digital computers; the first telephone system using high-speed digital transmission; the advent of digital microwave radio; the first communications satellite; the first digital central office super switching machine; and fiber optic lightwave technology, including the first transatlantic and transpacific lightwave cable systems. He holds 12 patents on telecommunications-related innovations.

May is a fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE) and a member of the National Academy of Engineering. Among his awards and honors are the IEEE Alexander Graham Bell Medal for his role in the

development of the T-1 carrier system; the IEEE Simon Ramo Medal for his contributions to the development and implementation of the world's largest integrated digital communications network; and the C&C Prize for his work on the T-1 carrier system.

He is a trustee of Polytechnic University, and a member of the boards of directors of Johnson & Johnson and Western Digital Corporation. Mayo also is a member of the College of Engineering Advisory Board of the University of California, Berkeley.

In addition, Mayo has served on many government, industry and university advisory panels and boards, including the Office of Technology Assessment Advisory Panel on International Cooperation and Competition in Space.

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#90316p5865 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAYWARD, CALIF. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Sparta Surgical Corp. (OTC Bulletin Board: SPSG), based in Hayward, has completed a sale leaseback of its manufacturing equipment with the LINC Group Inc. The closing which took effect on Nov. 9, 1990, was valued at $1.9 million, it was announced today by Thomas F. Reiner, president and chief executive officer of Sparta.

"For Sparta, LINC is an important new capital source and a partner in the healthcare industry who brings considerable financial resources and expertise. This financing will enable us to continue to increase our market share in the specialty niche areas we serve through acquisitions, new products and growth of existing sales," Reiner said.

The Chicago-based LINC Group is the nation's largest independent firm dedicated to health care equipment finance, with a leased equipment portfolio in excess of $800 million. Its LINC Venture Lease Partners affiliate specializes in financing to emerging growth companies in health care and high technology.

"We are pleased to make available this lease financing to assist in the continuing growth of Sparta Surgical's business. Sparta's product line shows very strong potential, and particularly in the area of microsurgery and specialty surgical products," said Martin E. Zimmerman, president and chief executive officer of the LINC Group Inc.

Sparta develops, manufactures, markets and distributes worldwide over 3,000 products for the healthcare industry, including microsurgical instruments, critical care disposables, wound care dressings, oral surgery anesthesia and drug-related supplies. Sparta's products are used in hospitals, clinics,

outpatient surgery centers, nursing homes, physicians' offices and U.S. Government healthcare facilities.

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#90316p5870 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS, NEV. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Key Tronic Corp. (NASDAQ: KTCC), a leading manufacturer of keyboards and other computer products, has introduced the MacPro Plus(TM), a Key Tronic Professional Series(R) keyboard compatible with all Macintosh(R) computer models, the company announced today.

The product announcement was made at COMDEX/Fall in Las Vegas, a major computer industry trade show.

The MacPro Plus, which lists for $179, is compatible with the Macintosh(R) Plus family that uses the RJ-11 interface and the Macintosh(R) SE and Macintosh(R) II families that use the Apple Desktop Bus(TM) interface. In addition, the MacPro Plus is compatible with Apple's recently announced Macintosh(R) Classic(R) IIsi and LC models.

Keyboard features include a large, L-shaped "Return" key; a large "Delete" key; 15 user definable function keys; and "Ctrl," "Option" and "Command" keys on both sides of the spacebar. "Caps Lock" and "Ctrl" keys are interchangeable to suit user preference. Dual legends appear on keys that perform commonly used functions when using a Mac(R) in PC emulation. Also included with the MacPro Plus keyboard is an ADB connecting cable. Users requiring the RJ-11 cable for the Macintosh Plus family can receive one free, direct from Key Tronic.

The keyboard uses Key Tronic's capacitance switch technology, which has a reliability rating of 100 million keystrokes. Optional rubber dome kits that allow users to modify the key feel are available.

A free offer for Tempo II(TM) keyboard macro software is included with the keyboard. Tempo II, from Affinity Microsystems, normally lists for $149.95. The software allows users to assign keystrokes, commands, mouse movement sequences and button clicks to the function keys.

"The MacPro Plus offers users a number of enhancements not found on Key Tronic's first Macintosh keyboard, the MacPro, introduced in August 1989," explained Norm Morse, Key Tronic product manager. "The new offering was developed in response to customers' requests for keyboard features that make their system more productive and easier to use," he added.

As part of the Key Tronic Professional Series line, the MacPro Plus is sold through a network of independent computer equipment resellers worldwide. The

keyboard is backed by a three-year limited warranty and unlimited toll-free product support.

Key Tronic is a publicly held corporation, traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol KTCC.

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#90316p5872 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Kelley Oil Corp. (NASDAQ: KOIL) announced today that total revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $14,952,000, up 77 percent compared to $8,446,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Cash flow from operations, considered by Kelley Oil as its primary operating benchmark, aggregated $1,966,000 for the current quarter vs. $471,000 for the corresponding 1989 quarter, an increase of 317 percent.

The increase in revenues and operating cash flow reflects substantial advances in oil and natural gas production levels attributable primarily to Kelley Oil's ongoing development drilling activities and interests in producing properties acquired during 1989 and the first half of 1990. Net income for the current quarter was $554,000 compared to net income of $166,000 for the corresponding quarter in 1989, an increase of 234 percent.

Based upon average primary common and common equivalent shares of 14,713,000 outstanding during the current quarter, cash flow from operations per share increased 225 percent to 13 cents per share, and earnings per share were 2 cents after deducting 8 cents per share for depletion, depreciation and amortization (noncash charges), 2 cents per share for deferred income taxes and 1 cents per share for preferred stock dividends. The corresponding per share figures for the third quarter of 1989, based on average primary common and common equivalent shares outstanding of 11,294,000, were cash flow from operations of 4 cents and earnings per share of $0.00 after deducting 3 cents per share for depletion, depreciation and amortization and 1 cents per share for preferred stock dividends.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, total revenues were $42,009,000, up 66 percent compared to $25,334,000 for the first three quarters of 1989. Cash flow from operations for the first three quarters of 1990 was $4,753,000 vs. $1,119,000 for the corresponding period in 1989, an increase of 325 percent. Net income for the current period was $1,497,000, an increase of 620 percent compared to net income of $208,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

Kelley Oil is an independent oil and gas producer with oil and gas properties located primarily in Louisiana. Kelley Oil serves as the managing general partner of Kelley Oil & Gas Partners Ltd. (AMEX: KLY), in which it owns interest aggregating 6.66 percent. It also serves as managing general partner

of Kelley Partners 1988 Development Drilling Program, Kelley Partners 1989 Development Drilling Program and Kelley Partners 1990 Development Drilling Program, and owns interests of 48.11 percent, 44.32 percent and 68.33 percent, respectively, in these publicly held programs. Concorde Gas Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary, markets gas for the company, its affiliates and third parties.

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#90316p5876 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, ILL. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: WMX) today announced the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend of $0.09 per share payable Jan. 3, 1991 to stockholders of record on Dec. 19, 1990.

The quarterly cash dividend is the 59th consecutive quarterly cash dividend declared by Waste Management since the company began paying dividends in 1976.

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#90316p5879 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBUQUERQUE, NM (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Lasertechnics, Inc. (NASDAQ: LASX) today announced the introduction of its Starburst(TM) Dual Mode Color Printer at the Comdex Show in Las Vegas, Nev. Based on thermal transfer technology, the unit produces accurate, consistent, high-quality, full-color prints on paper or transparency that are perfect for high resolution imaging applications.

The present plans are for the printer to be commercially available in the first quarter of 1991 for less than $15,000 per unit.

The Starburst is the only color printer on the market capable of producing continuous tone images using the Dye Diffusion Thermal Transfer (D2T2) mode, or dithered images utilizing the Thermal Wax Transfer (TWT) mode. This offers the advantage of superior image quality for specific color hardcopy requirements. Dye diffusion prints are photographic quality and designed to fulfill distinct tone and clarity needs for image processing applications, whereas wax transfer images are more suitable for most computer graphics requirements.

In the D2T2 mode, the new color printer features 150 or 300 pixels or dots per inch (DPI). Each pixel can produce 256 levels of the three primary colors, or a total of 16.7 million colors. The technology utilizes heat to diffuse yellow, magenta and cyan dyes from the ink donor film to a sheet of special

output media. For each level of heat, the printer's thermal head creates a distinct gradation of each of the three printing colors. The unique, new media, developed as a result of a collaborative effort between Lasertechnics and ICI Imagedata, ensures outstanding color fidelity, and produces images onto either paper or transparency receptors.

By simply changing the media, the Starburst delivers 300 DPI in the Thermal Wax Transfer mode. The printer also generates black and white prints or film in both modes, and is PostScript compatible.

The Starburst Dual Mode Color Printer has multiple applications across the image processing and computer graphics markets. The high resolution prints will be produced by computer-assisted design (CAD/CAM) programs now used by engineers, architects and graphics artists. The wide range of other applications include business graphics, desktop publishing, apparel design, remote sensing, mapping, environmental sciences, meteorology and medical imaging.

Lasertechnics is working with ICI Imagedata to design and develop media for the Starburst Dual Mode color printer, and with a European computer hardware manufacturer to design and commercially produce this product.

ICI Imagedata is a part of ICI Films, a business unit of ICI Americas, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of ICI PLC.

In addition to its digital imaging systems, Lasertechnics, Inc. designs and manufactures laser marking and engraving systems marketed to the electronics, medical, and consumer products packaging industries. The company also offers the Fizeau wavemeter and other specialty instruments.

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#90316p5883 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) has announced the addition of new non-stop, round-trip service between Providence, R.I. and its Orlando, Fla., hub, beginning in February.

On Feb. 2, Delta will add daily MD-88 service departing Providence at 7:50 a.m., arriving in Orlando at 10:40 a.m. The return flight will depart at 7 p.m., arriving in Providence at 9:39 p.m.

"Delta is very pleased to add the high-technology MD-88 aircraft on a route it believes will be popular with both business and leisure travelers," said Jody Sibole, Delta's district marketing manager. "This aircraft is not only comfortable for the passengers but operates as a good neighbor in the

communities it serves because of its low noise, stage III technology."

Sibole added: "For arriving and departing passengers, Delta's spectacular new 24-gate Orlando Flight Center brings the latest in convenience and comfort, while continuing passengers will find easy connections to and from many Florida destinations and points beyond. The Orlando Flight Center serves as a model for the 21st century."

Delta is a major world airline, with 64,000 professionals operating over 2,400 flights daily. Its fleet of 438 aircraft serves 177 cities around the world. It has for the last 16 consecutive years led the industry in passenger satisfaction among the nine largest domestic airlines according to the records of the Department of Transportation.

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#90316p5887 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPOKANE, WA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Key Tronic Corp. (NASDAQ: KTCC), leading manufacturer of keyboards and other computer peripherals, announced it has acquired the exclusive manufacturing and marketing rights to a software enhancement program for keyboards from Jefferson Computer Products Inc. of Des Moines, Wash.

Called KeyStar(TM), the new product consists of a licensed set of algorithms designed to reside in keyboard memory. The algorithms enhance keyboard functionality in several ways.

Through actuation of designated keys on the keyboard, KeyStar permits letter keys in the typewriter area to function as cursor keys, function keys or as a numeric keypad. This eliminates the need for data entry operators to remove their hands from the typewriter area to access special or non character keys, without interfering with normal typing.

"In a variety of studies conducted at beta sites, keyboard operators using KeyStar have experienced productivity increases as high as 37 percent," explained Peter F. Wezeman, director of marketing for Jefferson Computer Products Inc. "Besides time saving benefits, operators who spend many hours per day at the keyboard also benefit from KeyStar's ease of use. It also contributes significantly to reducing effects of repetitive strain injuries caused by awkward hand and finger movements," added Wezeman.

KeyStar also offers a Mouse Menu function which allows the keyboard spacebar to be used as a pointing device for opening pull-down menus. In addition, KeyStar users may remap their keyboard to the DVORAK layout by depressing two single keys.

"KeyStar will allow our OEM keyboard customers to obtain the full functionality of a standard 101-key keyboard in a smaller keyboard with as little as 60 keys," stated Wally Starr, OEM standards product manager for Key Tronic. "KeyStar will be a particularly popular feature in smaller footprint keyboards required by OEMs for use with portable computers. And, by encoding KeyStar into keyboard memory, we are able to offer this feature at a very competitive price," he concluded.

KeyStar will be marketed to OEMs for use in custom keyboard configurations through Key Tronic's worldwide network of independent manufacturers representatives. The keyboards will initially be manufactured at Key Tronic's manufacturing facilities near its headquarters in Spokane and Cheney, Wash.

Key Tronic is a publicly held corporation, traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol KTCC.

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#90316p5890 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - D. Ward Fuller will succeed Kenneth A. Krick, effective Jan. 1, 1991, as president and chief executive officer of General American Transportation Corp.

The announcement was made by James J. Glasser, chairman, president and chief executive officer of GATX Corp. (NYSE: GMT). General American Transportation, a subsidiary of GATX Corp., is the largest owner and lessor of railroad tank cars in the United States.

Glasser stated, "Ken Krick has elected to retire from GATX following nearly 30 years of exceptional service. Most recently, he has guided General American to three consecutive years of record earnings. His positive contributions to General American and GATX as a whole will be felt for a long time."

"Ward Fuller will bring substantial experience to General American Transportation Corp. Since 1982, Mr. Fuller has been president and chief executive officer of American Steamship Company, a GATX subsidiary headquartered in Buffalo, N.Y. He brings exceptional creativity, vision, and business expertise to GATX's largest subsidiary."

Fuller, 45, joined GATX in 1975 as an assistant treasurer at GATX Capital. In 1977, he was transferred to American Steamship Co. as special assistant to the chairman; he was elected vice president finance in 1978, vice president-marketing in 1979, and executive vice president in 1980.

Ned A. Smith will succeed Fuller as president and chief executive officer of American Steamship Co. Smith, 43, has been senior vice president of American

Steamship since 1985, and has been a vice president of that company in a number of operational and financial capacities since 1982.

He began his career with American Steamship in 1975 as controller. Prior to joining American Steamship, Smith spent five years with Price Waterhouse & Co.

General American Transportation Corp., Chicago, leases the largest fleet of railroad tank cars in the United States, as well as other specialized freight cars which transport chemicals, food, petroleum, fertilizers and coal for major industries and users of bulk commodities. General American Transportation Corp. also operates repair facilities and provides fleet management for its own fleet as well as for others.

American Steamship Company is headquartered in Buffalo, N.Y. American Steamship owns and operates the largest domestic fleet of self-unloading vessels on the Great Lakes serving the steel, utility, chemical, cement, and construction industries.

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FORT SMITH, AR (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Baldor Electric Co. (NYSE: BEZ), Fort Smith, Ark.-based manufacturer and marketer of industrial electric motors, today announced receipt of the President's "E Star" Award for increasing U.S. trade abroad. Susan Schwab, assistant secretary of Commerce, presented the "E Star" Award to Roland S. Boreham Jr. at a ceremony held in Fort Smith, Ark. on Nov. 8.

"E Star" Awards are given for continued superior performance in increasing or promoting exports. Only previous recipients of the "E" Award are eligible. (Baldor was awarded the "E" Award for export in 1976.)

Baldor is only the second company in the state of Arkansas to receive this award. During the 1980s, Baldor improved its already strong export position. Export and foreign sales now represent over 12 percent of Baldor's total sales. Baldor's products are distributed in over 40 foreign countries, primarily in Canada, Europe, Australia, Asia, and Latin America.

Boreham, chairman and CEO, announced that the board of directors, at its quarterly meeting on Nov. 8, promoted John A. McFarland to the position of vice president - International Sales. McFarland, 39, with Baldor 20 years, has been manager of the International Group for the past eight years.

Baldor's international sales have risen from $4.5 million when McFarland started as manager, to a current annual rate of over $35 million. Baldor products and services are now available in 45 countries.

Also, the board of directors at their meeting on Nov. 8, declared a $.12 per share cash dividend on the company's common stock. The cash dividend is payable on Jan. 2, 1991 to stockholders of record on Dec. 10, 1990.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Research, Inc. (NYSE: CYR) the world's leading supercomputer company, today announced the recipients of the firm's second annual Gigaflop Performance Awards at a ceremony held here in conjunction with the Supercomputing '90 conference.

Thirty awards were presented to U.S., international, and multinational teams of research scientists and engineers who solved "real-world" computational problems at sustained speeds of more than 1.5 gigaflops - that is more than a billion (Giga-) FLoating-point Operations Per Second - or 1.5 billion calculations per second. The fastest problem solved was one to design and analyze a gas turbine engine. This problem ran at a sustained speed of 2.307 gigaflops.

"It's a testament to this year's recipients, and to the rapid evolution of supercomputer technology, that 30 teams achieved the threshold speed of 1.5 gigaflops, despite the fact that this represented a 50-percent increase over last year's threshold of 1.0 gigaflops," said Carlos Marino, Cray Research's director of Industry, Science & Technology. There were 20 award-winning teams in 1989.

"These award recipients are pioneers," said John A. Rollwagen, chairman and chief executive officer of Cray Research, Inc. "Their computational research expands the frontiers of their specialized fields, making their organizations more competitive, while advancing the boundaries of truly high-speed computing."

"After two years of involvement with this program we have seen the breadth of work being done and the number of applications being run at these sustained speeds grow dramatically," said Marino. "We are convinced that Cray Research systems are the only systems that can do meaningful work at sustained speeds of one gigaflops or more."

The 1990 recipients represent specialized fields ranging from nuclear physics and astronomy, to environmental sciences, computational chemistry, aerodynamics, and automotive design. "This year's recipients are very international, coming from Canada, Germany, Japan, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, and the United States," Marino said. "Several teams are

multinational."

A combined Japanese-and-American team boosted performance through network supercomputing, by connecting two CRAY Y-MP systems in a network configuration. This year's recipients made greater-than-ever use of Cray Research capabilities such as autotasking and vectorizing, and of graphics capabilities to visualize solutions.

Cray Research, Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and supports large-scale, high-speed computer systems for scientific and engineering applications.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Gemstar Development Corp. today announced the launch of VCR Plus+(tm), the revolutionary device that makes taping television shows on a VCR a one-step process. VCR Plus+ will be available in major markets across the country this month.

The New York Times, The Los Angeles Times, regional editions of TV Guide, The San Francisco Chronicle and Examiner, The Detroit Free Press, The Detroit News The Dallas Times-Herald, and The Chicago Sun Times and dozens of other publications will begin printing code numbers (PlusCodes(tm)) next to each television listing in their program guides in the coming weeks. When combined with the inexpensive VCR Plus+ device, consumers will be able to tape any broadcast or cable television program in just one simple step.

"We've worked hard to develop a system that will truly be easy for consumers to use," said Louise J. Wannier, vice president of marketing and business development for Gemstar. "This launch marks a very satisfying moment, when we can say, 'it's here.' Finally there's a real solution to consumer VCR taping problems."

Gemstar's patent-pending VCR Plus+ system will offer the 70 million U.S. VCR owners, as well as all future VCR purchasers, the ability to program their VCRs with ease, eliminating the complicated and lengthy procedures that deter most people from taping television shows.

Every television show -- local, network, or cable -- will have a short code number printed beside its listing. The viewer simply punches the code number of the show that is to be recorded into the VCR Plus+ device and the selected program will be automatically recorded.

VCR Plus+ offers three-show recording options: once, weekly or daily, and can store up to 14 programs, which is double or triple the capacity of most VCRs. In addition, VCR Plus+ calculates how much tape is needed in the next 24 hours.

However, because the current methods of VCR programming are so complicated and tedious, few people take full advantage of this capability. The simplicity of the VCR Plus+ system increases the value and utility of the VCR. The system is made possible by a proprietary coding scheme invented by Gemstar founders Henry Yuen and Daniel Kwoh, each of whom holds a Ph.D. from the California Institute of Technology.

VCR Plus+ will be sold at quality retailers such as Sears Brand Central, Circuit City, Montgomery Ward, Silo and The Good Guys at a suggested retail price of $59.95. Gemstar will establish national distribution by mid-1991.

Gemstar Development Corp., a privately held company formed to develop and market technological products which simplify life for the consumer, is headquartered at 135 N. Los Robles Ave., 870, Pasadena, Calif., 91101.

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EAST HARTFORD, CT (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Pratt & Whitney's new 300,000-square-foot Overhaul and Repair facility in Cheshire, Conn., has received the Federal Aviation Agency's certificate to begin engine overhaul operations.

Richard Hopkins, Pratt & Whitney's manager for the Overhaul and Repair Center in Cheshire, accepted the certificate and praised both the employees and the FAA. "This is truly a credit to the hard work of all our employees and the cooperation of the FAA," Hopkins said. The certificate means the Cheshire facility is now FAA licensed to carry out the disassembly, inspection, marshalling and assembly of the JT9D, PW2000 and PW4000 engines. "With this new facility and expansion, we can now further enhance our customer support," Horst Pohlmann, vice president-Overhaul & Repair Operations, said. "Turn times for engine overhaul will be reduced and we now have the capacity to meet the increased needs of the airlines." During the past two years, Pratt & Whitney's overhaul facility in Southington, Conn., has been overhauling about 175 engines each year. At full capacity, this new facility will be able to overhaul 400 engines annually by the end of 1991.

"We are very excited about this facility," Pohlmann added. "The investment by the company in a new facility underscores our commitment to continually improve customer service and to grow the overhaul and repair business."

Pratt & Whitney is a division of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX), headquartered in Hartford, Conn.

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#90316p5899 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELGIN, IL (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting held Friday, Nov. 9, 1990, the board of directors of Safety-Kleen Corp. (NYSE: SK) today declared a quarterly dividend of 10 cents per common share, payable Dec. 27, 1990 to shareholders of record Dec. 13, 1990.

Safety-Kleen Corp. is the world's largest provider of parts cleaner services and related solvent recycling. The company also collects a variety of hazardous and quasi-hazardous liquid wastes from automotive repair outlets, industrial plants, dry cleaners and other waste generators. The fluids are recycled or re-refined for reuse or blended into fuels for use in industrial furnaces or cement kilns.

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#90316p5900 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOKYO (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - In a further expansion of its activities in Japan, Bechtel has won the right to develop a 27-story office tower on Tokyo Bay. The joint proposal of Bechtel Enterprises and Nissho Iwai Corp., a leading Japanese trading company, was selected by the Tokyo Metropolitan Government after a spirited international competition.

"This important landmark will be visible to all people entering the city of Tokyo, to remind them of the long cooperation between the Japanese and American people," said John L. Moore, Jr., Bechtel's senior regional executive for the Far East. Moore, a member of Bechtel's board of directors, is based in Tokyo.

The $650 million, 820,000-square-foot Pacific Rim Center project is scheduled for completion in August 1995. It will be located in the Odaiba section of the new Tokyo Teleport Town, on the harbor front about three miles south of the Ginza-Marunouchi area, current commercial heart of the Japanese capital. Overseas Bechtel Inc. (OBI), which has maintained an office in Marunouchi for 20 years, will move its operations to the Pacific Rim Center, after managing the building's design and construction. Nissho Iwai also plans to occupy office space in the new building.

Perhaps the most interesting aspect of the venture is the opportunity for non-Japanese companies to purchase something roughly akin to a "condominium" interest in the building. Commercial rents in Tokyo are among the world's highest.

Nissho Iwai, headquartered in Tokyo, is among the world's largest trading companies. Its $86 billion in 1989 sales ranks it as one of the world's ten top corporations. San Francisco-based Bechtel Group Inc, a privately held international engineering-construction-management organization, reported $5.1 billion in revenues for 1989, ranking it as one of the world's largest firms in its industry. Bechtel and Nissho Iwai have collaborated on numerous projects over the past 20 years in the Middle East, Indonesia an New Zealand.

Other Bechtel projects currently under way in Japan include joint-venture work on a new terminal for Tokyo's Haneda airport, project management for two hotel conference center and golf complexes, and a nuclear technology and services agreement with Hitachi.

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#90316p5907 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, COLO. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael J. Timbers, president and CEO of IHS Group Inc., has today announced the acquisition of Micro Analysis Products Inc., (MAP), a three-year-old company based in Boulder, Colo.

The company provides PC-based banking audit and compliance programs as well as a new CD-ROM (compact disc, read-only memory) product, The Banking Library. The Banking Library consolidates on a single CD-ROM disc the laws, regulations manuals, handbooks, policies, and procedures related to the banking industry.

"This acquisition fits our strategy to lessen dependence on defense-related markets by supplying products to other faster-growing markets," Timbers noted. "In particular, the acquisition of MAP Products tracks the IHS New Markets Division's strategic mandate to provide new products that contain regulatory materials or that are directed to regulated industries."

Tim Schiewe, founder of MAP, will act as a consultant to IHS for banking-related products. "The banking industry is currently undergoing a tremendous transformation and must now address the issue of compliance much more aggressively," Schiewe stated. "Our association with IHS will give us increased product development and distribution capabilities, and will allow us to develop additional products for the banking industry."

MAP will remain in Boulder and will report to IHS's New Markets Division, headed by IHS vice president Michael McCrory.

With the inclusion of MAP, IHS Group now comprises nine information companies which provide a broad spectrum of information and information management services to such diverse markets as banking and financial services, engineering, hospitals, library management, and government. In addition to

Micro Analysis Products, the IHS Group companies include Information Handling Services, CLSI, Predicasts, Global Engineering Documents, D.A.T.A. Business Publishing, Lake Publishing, Continental Healthcare Systems, and, in the United Kingdom, Technical Indexes Ltd.

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WATERBURY, VT. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Fred "Chico" Lager, president and chief executive officer of Ben & Jerry's Homemade, Inc. (NASDAQ: BJICA), the Vermont-based superpremium ice cream manufacturer, announced 1990 third quarter results today.

Net sales for the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, were $21,705,512, an increase of 24 percent over the figure of $17,525,279 for the corresponding quarter in 1989. Net income for the quarter was $955,630, an increase of 10 percent over net income of $867,171 in the 1989 third quarter. Earnings per share were 37 cents, or 35 cents per share fully diluted, as compared to 33 cents (32 cents fully diluted) in the third quarter of 1989.

Through the first three quarters of 1990, Ben & Jerry's sales stand at $59,091,531, compared to $44,684,757 in the comparable period of 1989. Net earnings through the period total $2,286,798, up from $1,878,487 in the first three 1989 quarters. Net income per common share is 88 cents (85 cents fully diluted), compared to 72 cents (71 cents fully diluted) in the comparable 1989 reporting period.

"Our third quarter results show continued strong sales growth," stated Lager, "and an ongoing investment of marketing resources in strengthening our market position for our entire product line."

Ben & Jerry's produces superpremium ice cream, ice cream novelties, and Ben & Jerry's LIGHT using Vermont dairy products and high quality natural ingredients. Ben & Jerry's ice cream is distributed in 42 states, and the company has 88 franchised scoop shops and five company-owned stores.

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#90316p5911 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Bayer USA Inc., the U.S. management holding company of Bayer AG, Germany, announced the appointment of two new senior communications officers at two of its U.S. operating companies: Miles Inc. and Mobay Corp.

At Miles, Elkhart, Ind., Barry S. Cohen, formerly director, public communications, Warner-Lambert Co., was named staff vice president-corporate communications, which is a new position at the company. Miles is a healthcare company with business in pharmaceuticals, diagnostics and OTC products. Its sales in 1989 were $2.1 billion.

At Mobay Corp., a Pittsburgh-based diversified chemical company, Gordon E. Butte, formerly manager of public communications at Dow Chemical, has been named director designate-corporate communications, effective Nov. 1. Butte will succeed Gerd H. Wilcke, director since 1974, who will retire in May 1991. Mobay's 1989 sales were $2.1 billion.

Cohen, 43, is a native of Chicago and holds a B.S. degree in journalism from Northern Illinois University. He began his professional career in 1970 at Western Electric in its public relations department. From 1976-1988, he was at Abbott Laboratories, where he held various assignments of increasing responsibility in public relations, rising to the position of director, corporate communications. He was at Warner-Lambert from 1988 until taking his present post at Miles on Sept. 17, 1990.

Butte, 39, is a native of Hamilton, Ontario. He holds an honors diploma in journalism administration from the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology, as well as a Certificate in Business Administration from the University of Alberta. He began his public relations career with agencies in western Canada, and then joined Dow as western Canada division communications manager in 1979. He progressed through a variety of managerial assignments of increaisng responsibility with Dow Canada, before coming to the United States in 1985 to head Dow's financial communications activities. He then headed the marketing communications and public relations for Dow's plastics division. He was named to his most recent post as second-in-command of public relations for Dow Chemical U.S.A. in February 1990.

Bayer USA Inc. has business in chemicals, healthcare and imaging technologies. Total sales for Bayer USA in 1989 were $5.4 billion.

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#90316p5913 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALABASAS, CA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Tekelec (NASDAQ: TKLC) today announced the appointment of Thomas B. Cannon to the position of senior vice president, Research and Development, and the promotion of three senior managers.

Prior to joining Tekelec, Cannon was vice president of Engineering for InteCom Inc., a subsidiary of Matra Communications, a French corporation. InteCom Inc. is a technological leader in the development of integrated voice/data Business Exchange (IBX) Systems. In addition, Cannon has also held engineering

and management positions with STC Communications, where he was also a co-founder, and with Bell Laboratories. Cannon holds a master degree in electrical engineering from the University of Illinois.

Peter N. Vicars, president and chief executive officer, said "Tom brings some 20 years of related communications engineering experience from startup through executive management of a research and development organization." Cannon will be responsible for Tekelec's Research & Development operations worldwide. "I thank Fred Tinch for his efforts on his interim assignment. Fred will now return to his full time responsibilities as vice president, Network Products."

Tekelec also announced the appointments of:
-- Philip J. Alford, chief financial officer, to the additional position of senior vice president
-- Robert A. Hess, director of corporate marketing, to the additional position of vice president of the corporation.
-- Gilles C. Godin to the position of corporate controller, and the office of treasurer.

Recognized as a leading supplier of telecommunications diagnostic tools, Tekelec believes it offers the broadest product line encompassing data protocols (ISDN, X.25, OSI), transmission services and equipment (TI, Fractional TI, DDS, T3), signaling (SS7), cellular (GSM), FDDI and emerging intelligent network applications.

For more information, contact Tekelec at 26580 W. Agoura Road, Calabasas, Calif., 91302, Phone 1-800-TEKELEC, FAX 818-880-6993.

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#90316p5916 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Volker Charbonnier, executive vice president and chief administrative officer of Bayer USA Inc., is one of seven executives from the Bayer AG group who will take part in a temporary assignment with the Treuhandanstalt, an agency of the German government in charge of restructuring and privatizing state-owned businesses in the five new German states which previously comprised East Germany, it was announced today.

The project is an initiative of German Chancellor Helmut Kohl. German companies were asked by the chancellor to nominate senior managers to help the Treuhandanstalt in the task to turn around the East German economy. In total, about 60 executives from German companies will begin work in mid-November on this project, which is expected to last initially about six to nine months.

Charbonnier will be involved in restructuring activities which may include

potentially increasing the international investments in eastern Europe. According to Dr. Konrad M. Weis, president and chief executive officer of Bayer USA, Charbonnier's experience in the United States since 1986 will give him an important perspective and will be a "bridge" back to the U.S. industry which might eventually have an interest in such investments.

Bayer USA Inc., Pittsburgh, is the U.S. management holding company of Bayer AG Germany.

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#90316p5921 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

STURBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - SpecTran Corporation (NASDAQ: SPTR) today announced receipt of an order for approximately $3.9 million for product intended for use in a variety of multimode optical communication applications. Delivery is expected to begin in June 1991 and is expected to extend through May 1992 raising backlog to approximately $2.7 million for 1991 and $1.5 million for 1992. Sales resulting from this order do not rely on SpecTran's patent licenses and therefore are not subject to the quantity limitations contained therein.

Commenting on the order, SpecTran's President and Chief Executive Officer, Raymond E. Jaeger, said, "The order is the largest we have received in the past five years and reflects current strong market demand. This type of business is particularly important to the company because it raises the prospect to grow annual revenues in both 1991 and 1992 beyond the level set by restrictions in one of out patent licenses."

SpecTran Corporation develops, manufactures and markets glass optical fibers.

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#90316p5922 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. (LMT) (NASDAQ: LMTS) recently announced the addition of a Windows 3.0 printer to its PC product line. The LaserMaster 400 Personal Printer allows users to print directly from Windows 3.0, features 400 by 400 TurboRes(TM) output, comes with 50 classic typefaces and is PostScript(R) compatible. The unit is scheduled to ship early in 1991 and will be sold for $1,995.

The printer includes 50 LaserMaster Type 1 format typefaces, which can be used for both TrueImage(TM) and direct Windows 3.0 printing. Graphic and font-intensive documents print at four pages per minute.

"The LaserMaster 400 Personal Printer is an excellent choice for Windows users " commented Mel Masters, CEO. "We are providing a high- powered, cost-effective solution for them."

LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets laser printer and display systems and subsystems for high quality electronic printing and desktop publishing applications. LMT's products include high performance printer controllers, plain-paper desktop typesetters and integrated electronic publishing systems which feature the company's proprietary TurboRes resolution enhancement technology.

TurboRes is a trademark of LaserMaster. Windows, TrueImage and DOS are registered trademarks of Microsoft Corporation. PostScript is a registered trademark of Adobe Systems, Inc. All other product and brand names are trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective companies.

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#90316p5925 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Executive Committee of the Enron Corp. (NYSE: ENE) Board of Directors today declared a fourth-quarter dividend of 62 cents per share on the corporation's common stock, payable Dec. 20, 1990 to stockholders of record as of Dec. 3, 1990. The dividend rate remains unchanged from its previous level, with an indicated annual rate of $2.48.

The Board also declared a dividend on the $10.50 cumulative second preferred convertible stock payable Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record as of Dec. 14, 1990. The quarterly dividend rate is $2.625 per share.

Enron Corp., America's leading natural gas company with approximately $11 billion in annual revenues and $9 billion in assets, operates the nation's largest natural gas transmission system; markets natural gas, gas liquids, crude oil and refined products nationally and worldwide; owns 84 percent of Enron Oil & Gas Co., one of the country's largest independent (non-integrated) natural gas exploration and production companies; and also is one of the largest independent producers of electricity in the United States, with extensive experience in combined heat and power installations.

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#90316p5926 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - In an effort to encourage students' interest in math and science, McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) announced today

that it will sponsor NASA's mobile teacher resource center program, an educational outreach effort developed by NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala.

A $125,000 grant from McDonnell Douglas Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the corporation, enables the corporation to schedule visits of a mobile teacher resource center to McDonnell Douglas facilities for three years beginning in 1991. On those occasions teachers from local school districts will be invited to take advantage of the educational resources available. The mobile teacher resource center program is part of a larger NASA program, Project LASER, Learning About Science, Engineering and Research.

"McDonnell Douglas believes that all children, from all backgrounds should receive a quality education," said Walter E. Diggs Jr., vice president of community affairs. "Today's grade school students are the scientists and engineers of tomorrow. That is why we must begin at a young age to rekindle an interest in math, science, engineering, and the quality with which they are taught. Project LASER can help make this possible by educating teachers about the latest science technologies."

During November and early December, a mobile teacher resource center will visit several McDonnell Douglas facilities where representatives of local school districts have been invited to attend teacher workshops. The mobile unit will be in St. Louis Nov. 14 and Nov. 15; Huntington Beach, Calif. Nov. 26 and Nov. 27; and Mesa, Ariz. Dec. 3, 4, and 5.

McDonnell Douglas will provide blank VHS video tapes, slide film, audio cassettes and computer diskettes for teachers to duplicate lesson plans.

Each mobile teacher resource center consists of a 65-foot long climate controlled tractor-trailer. The 48-foot long trailer contains six teacher workstations with seating for two teachers at each station. Each station is equipped with a computer providing access to "NASA Spacelink," an electronic information system that contains a vast range of information and educational materials for math and science teachers.

The intent of the mobile teacher resource centers is to reach teachers all over the nation, particularly those teachers who would not otherwise have access to NASA's resources. Unlike NASA's well- known Spacemobiles that take models and exhibits directly to schools for special lectures, Project LASER provides teachers with access to educational materials they can use long after the van has rolled away.

NASA education professionals will be with each mobile teacher resource center to ensure that teachers take maximum advantage of all the resources available and the wide variety of other NASA educational programs.

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#90316p5928 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Marion Merrell Dow Inc. (NYSE: MKC) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 20 cents ($.20) per share on the common stock. The dividend is payable Jan. 18, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 20, 1990.

CONTACT: Larry W. Wheeler or David M. Thompson of Marion Merrell Dow, 816-966-4000

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#90316p5930 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Oak Hill Sportswear Corporation (NASDAQ: OHSC) announced today that it returned to profitability in the third quarter. The company earned $992,000 or $.48 per share in the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to net income of $1,536,000 or $.73 per share in the third quarter of 1989, as sales declined 9 percent. The company incurred a net loss of $1,106,000 or $.54 per share in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared net income of $1,798,000 or $.85 per share in the comparable period last year.

Arthur L. Asch, chairman of the board of Oak Hill Sportswear Corporation, stated that "profits in the third quarter, while below anticipated levels, were achieved in a difficult economic climate. Due to weakening consumer confidence, retailers have been buying hesitantly as they are reluctant to build up excess inventories. The resulting promotional atmosphere continued to put pressure on our company's gross profit margins. We are planning our future business conservatively in what we view as a weak and uncertain retail apparel marketplace."

Oak Hill Sportswear Corporation is a manufacturer of women's apparel.

OAK HILL SPORTSWEAR CORPORATION
OPERATING RESULTS
(In thousands except for per share data)

	Nine months		Three months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$90,378	$92,133	$36,784	$40,614
Income (loss) before taxes	(1,784)	2,898	1,599	2,469
Net income (loss)	(1,106)	1,798	992	1,536
Net income (loss) per share	(.54)	.85	.48	.73
Weighted average number of shares outstanding - fully diluted	2,058	2,113	2,065	2,110

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#90316p5931 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

(NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Kelley Oil & Gas Partners, Ltd.(AMEX: KLY) announced today that total revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $7,039,000 up 27 percent compared to $5,550,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Cash flow from operations, considered by Kelley Partners as its primary operating benchmark, aggregated $4,151,000 for the current quarter vs. $3,096,000 for the corresponding 1989 quarter, an increase of 34 percent. The increase in revenues and operating cash flow reflects substantial advances in Kelley Partners' oil and natural gas production levels attributable primarily to ongoing development drilling activities and property acquisitions during 1989 and the first half of 1990. Net income for the current quarter was $120,000 compared to net income of $1,282,000 for the corresponding quarter in 1989, primarily due to an increase in noncash charges for depletion, depreciation and amortization as well as a 5 percent decline in the average price received for natural gas production.

Based upon average units of 9,828,659 outstanding during the current quarter, cash flow from operations per unit increased 28 percent to 41 cent per unit, with a quarterly distribution of 45 cents per unit payable on Nov. 20, 1990, and earnings per unit were 1 cent after deducting 40 cents per unit for depletion, depreciation and amortization (noncash charges). The corresponding per unit figures for the third quarter of 1989, based on average units of 9,165,362, were cash flow from operations of 32 cents (all of which was distributed to unitholders) and earnings per unit of 13 cents after deducting 19 cents per unit for depletion, depreciation and amortization.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, total revenues were $20,738,000, up 45 percent compared to $14,254,000 for the first three quarters in 1989. Cash flow from operations for the first three quarters of 1990 was $12,775,000 vs. $7,216,000 for the corresponding period in 1989, an increase of 77 percent. Net income for the current period was $2,173,000, a decrease of 21 percent compared to net income of $2,741,000 for the first nine months in 1989, primarily due to an increase in noncash charges for depreciation, depletion and amortization and a 6 percent decline in the average price received for natural gas production.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, based upon average units of 9,828,659, cash flow from operations per unit increased 35 percent to $1.26 and earnings per unit were 21 cents after deducting $1.05 per unit for depletion, depreciation and amortization (noncash charges). The corresponding per unit figures for the first nine months in 1989, based on average units of 7,419,006, were cash flow from operations of 93 cents and earnings per unit of 35 cents after deducting 58 cents per unit for depletion, depreciation and amortization.

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Fran Gomulka, 713/652-5200, both of Kelley Oil Corporation.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Beginning today, Opti-World is participating in "Letters From Home," a General Electric and Pitney Bowes program to allow families and friends of those serving with the U.S. Armed Forces in the Persian Gulf region to send overnight electronic mail via the GEnie service.

"Many people don't have access to a personal computer and modem to send electronic mail," said Don Chapman, chairman of Opti-World. "Opti-World is proud to help these people take advantae of the 'Letters From Home' program. All six of our metro Atlanta Opti-World locations will collect handwritten letters and send them by computer to the local General Electric phone number, where they will be transmitted to Saudi Arabia."

The letters will be sent electronically via GE Information Services' worldwide teleprocessing network to GE's local telecommunications facility in Saudi Arabia. After printing and sealing envelopes, the letters will be delivered to the designated serviceperson.

Opti-World is an Atlanta-based chain of 44 full-service optical superstores with complete one-hour eyecare service.

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GLEN COVE, N.Y. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Pall Biomedical Products Corporation announced today that it has entered into an agreement with the Cutter Biological Business Unit of Miles Inc., the health care company of Bayer USA Inc., on developing and marketing leukocyte (white blood cell) filtration systems that will benefit the blood banking community and the hospitals and patients they serve.

Cutter Biological, world leader in blood products and blood management systems will supply blood storage bags and tubing for incorporation with Pall filters into a "dry system" (i.e., no anti- coagulant) kits for processing stored blood, which Pall Biomedical will develop and market. Pall Biomedical, a world leader in blood filtration technology, will supply advanced filter devices for blood collection systems Cutter will develop and market.

As many as 30 to 70 percent of these patients develop antibody reactions to

the extra white cells they receive in the course of frequent transfusions, Treppa said. This can keep patients in the hospital a lot longer. Leukocyte depletion (removing white cells from red cells and platelets) can help reduce the likelihood of these reactions.

Pall Biomedical Products Corporation, of Glen Cove, is a leading supplier of filters for patient protection against infection and intrusion of contaminants during open-heart surgery procedures and the administration of blood, breathing gases, and intravenous fluids.

The parent company, Pall Corporation (AMEX: PLL), with annual sales approaching $600 million, is headquartered in Glen Cove. The company is the international leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of filters and other fluid clarification devices which serve the Health Care, Aeropower and Fluid Processing markets. The company employs 6,300 people at offices throughout the world, with manufacturing facilities in the United States, Puerto Rico, England and Japan.

Part of the Biological Business Unit of the Pharmaceutical Division of Miles Inc., Cutter Biological is recognized today as a technical leader in plasma-derived and emerging recombinant biological products as well as in medical plastics products that are vital at every step in the process of collecting, processing and transfusing blood. Miles is the health care company of Bayer USA Inc., the U.S. management holding company of Bayer AS, Leverkusen, Germany. In addition to ethical pharmaceutical and biological products, Miles' products include diagnostic test systems and reagents, consumer health care products and household cleaning products. The company, which is headquartered in Elkhart, Ind., employed over 16,000 people in 1989 and had sales of $2.1 billion. In addition to Miles, other Bayer USA companies include Mobay (chemicals) and Agfa (imaging technologies). Total Bayer USA sales in 1989 were $5.4 billion.

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Erie Lackawanna Inc. (Erie) announced today that it has reached a settlement with the United States on Erie's claims for refund of federal income taxes paid, including interest, plus its claim for interest from the dates of payment. Under the settlement, Erie will receive about $38,900,000 plus interest from the dates of payment of such amount. Subject to verification by the United States of the amount of interest to be received, and assuming Erie receives payment of the settlement amount on Dec. 1, 1990, Erie calculates that the settlement, net of the federal income tax payable on the interest portion, will amount to about $53.50 per share of Erie's outstanding stock.

Erie further announced today that, in view of such settlement and subject to the approval of the United States District Court in Cleveland, which supervised the bankruptcy proceeding of Erie Lackawanna Railway Company (debtor), it intends to make a Third Partial Liquidating Distribution to the holders of its capital stock. The amount of the distribution will approximate the net amount of the settlement.

The record date for the distribution will be fixed after the court's approval of the distribution is received.

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COLUMBIA, MD (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Essex Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ESEX) reported consolidated revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $6,310,000, which were $1,790,000, or 22 percent lower than the $8,100,000 reported in the third quarter of 1989.

Essex consolidated revenues for the first nine months of 1990 totalled $19,462,000, which was $2,191,000, or 10 percent lower than the $21,653,000 reported during 1989. The revenues of the company's wholly owned subsidiary, System Engineering and Development Corporation (SEDC) which was acquired June 1, 1989, were $3,309,000 (nine months to date) and $2,309,000 (four months to date) in 1990 and 1989, respectively. Without the SEDC revenues, the company's revenues would have been $16,153,000, or 16 percent lower in 1990 versus 1989. Sales volume was down since Essex efforts (amounting to $2 million of revenues for the first nine months in 1989) as subcontractor to Boeing Corporation on its Navy aircraft maintenance trainer work was substantially completed by year end 1989.

Essex is reporting a net loss of $37,000, or 2 cents per share, for the third quarter period of 1990, as contrasted to net income of $2,000, or zero cents per share, in the same period of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, Essex is reporting a net loss of $497,000, or 30 cents per share, versus net income of $111,000, or 8 cents per share, in the same period of 1989. The company's decline in earnings was principally due to the substantial completion of the aircraft maintenance trainer program by year end 1989 and a third quarter pretax loss of $100,000 on a now complete fixed-price software development contract being performed at SEDC.

The SEDC results showed a net loss for the first nine months of 1990 of approximately $574,000, or 35 cents per share, with a net loss of $73,000, or 4 cents per share, occurring in the third quarter of 1990. The SEDC results which are included in the 1989 figures showed a net loss for June-September

1989 of $296,000, or 21 cents per share. Other elements of the SEDC first nine months loss in 1990 were core staff and facility expenses exceeding recoverable costs from current business volume by $335,000; acquisition-related amortization expenses of $196,000; and increased reserves of $80,000 to fully reflect the settlement with the U.S. government regarding allegations of mischarging on certain projects in years prior to the acquisition of SEDC by Essex.

Dr. Harry Letaw, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: "We are particularly gratified that we have been able to reduce debt by $2 million during the nine months. In addition, Essex has put behind it matters that impaired growth. Third quarter results improved compared to the first two quarters of 1990 due to continued attention to cost containment and operating efficiencies set in motion in previous periods. In early 1991, we will begin to experience $400,000 in projected annual facility cost savings resulting from recent consolidation of office space and relocation of our corporate headquarters. Although there was a modest short-term increase in monthly volume at our subsidiary, SEDC, revenues continue to lag those of a year ago. With enactment of the federal budget, we anticipate gradual restoration of market stability and slow improvement in the sustainable rate of growth of revenues."

Established in 1969, Essex Corporation does business in systems effectiveness and information technology, designing, developing, manufacturing, selling and supporting products and systems for public, private and commercial customers. Primary fields of interest include systems engineering, interactive training programs, reliability and maintenance support, safety, error reduction and man-machine interface design, fitness-for-duty test systems and electronic and photonic information work stations. The firm employs a staff of over 200 at 10 locations across the country.

ESSEX CORPORATION
Financial Highlights

	Three Month Periods Ended		Nine Month Periods Ended	
	Sept. 30 1990	Oct. 1 1989	Sept. 30 1990	Oct. 1 1989
Revenues	$6,310,000	$8,100,000	$19,462,000	$21,653,000
Income (Loss) Before Taxes	$ (15,000)	$ 57,000	$ (579,000)	$ 294,000
Net Income (Loss)	$ (37,000)	$ 2,000	$ (497,000)	$ 111,000
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	1,650,077	1,650,077	1,650,077	1,442,453
Earnings (Loss) Per Share	$ (0.02)	$ 0.00	$ (0.30)	$ 0.08

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#90316p5940 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Regal International Inc. (NYSE: RGL) announced today that the petition in involuntary bankruptcy filed against Regal has been dismissed by Order of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. Ruben Aragon, Regal chairman, said that the dismissal of the bankruptcy petition was accomplished by the successful reorganization and restructure of approximately $3.7 million in Regal indebtedness. Combined with the company's improved earnings performance, this dismissal is a significant step in Regal's revitalization efforts.

The $3.7 million was restructured through the issuance of approximately $2.5 million in new notes with installments due over a one-year period, 4.3 million shares of Regal stock at 30 cents per share, and 1.25 million warrants to purchase common stock in lieu of interest which was forgiven.

The restructure and debt settlement also eliminates the extensive litigation between the company and certain former officers and directors which will substantially reduce legal fees in future periods and allow management to concentrate on continuing to improve operating performance. Results of third quarter operations, to be released next week, are expected to reflect the company's third consecutive profitable quarter.

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#90316p5943 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
HAUPPAUGE, NY (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Graham-Field Health Products, Inc. (AMEX: GFI) today reported record revenues and net operating earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues for the third quarter were $11,719,000 versus $8,825,000, a 33 percent increase over the same period last year. Net earnings for the third quarter were $405,000 or $.05 per share versus third quarter 1989 net earnings of $225,000 or $.03 per share.

For the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were a record $32,133,000 versus $24,917,000 for the comparable prior year period, a 29 percent increase. Net earnings before extraordinary credit were $1,151,000 or $.15 per share for the 1990 period versus $312,000 or $.04 per share in the comparable prior year period; net earnings, after extraordinary credits in both 1990 and 1989 representing a gain on the purchase of senior subordinated notes of $286,000 and $1,069,000, respectively, were $1,437,000 or $.19 per share in 1990 versus $1,382,000 or $.18 per share in 1989.

Commenting on the significant improvement in revenues and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, Irwin Selinger, chairman

and chief executive officer, said, "The 33 percent growth in revenues in the third quarter was principally due to greater sales of products in the consumer and home healthcare marketplace. This growth was made possible by the acquisition in March 1990, of the Healthteam product line of M.E. Team, Inc. and expansion of the patient aids product lines for which the company is a principal distributor. The additional market share gained during the quarter was in a highly competitive environment resulting in lower product profit margins. Operating expenses were closely monitored thus despite the pressure on gross profit margins, net income for the quarter increased to $405,000 or $.05 per share versus $225,000 or $.03 per share in the same period last year."

Commenting further, Selinger indicated that "fourth quarter revenues are projected to continue to grow at a stronger rate but additional pressure has been placed on profit margins as the weakening of the U.S. dollar against the Japanese yen and major European currencies are increasing the cost of importing products. Graham-Field purchases approximately 40 percent of its product offerings in overseas markets."

Graham-Field manufactures, markets and distributes approximately 14,000 healthcare products for hospitals, physicians and home use to approximately 12,000 home healthcare, physician and hospital supply distributors, and drugstore retailers and wholesalers.

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ATTLEBORO, MA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Marshall Tulin, president of Swank, Inc. (NASDAQ: SNKI) today reported sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Tulin indicated the decline in earnings for this period is attributed to the sluggish retail environment. He further indicated that cost-saving measures as well as asset management are being evaluated on a continuous basis.

Swank manufactures and markets men's and women's jewelry, belts, personal leather goods, neckwear, fragrances and gift items. The company distributes its products to retail outlets throughout the United States and in 50 foreign countries. These products which are known throughout the world, are distributed under the names "Swank", "Colours by Alexander Julian", "Royal Copenhagen", "Pierre Cardin", "L'Aiglon", "Anne Klein", "Richard Scott", "Etienne Aigner", "90 Park", and "Anne Klein for Men", among others. Swank, Inc. also manufactures jewelry and leather items for distribution under private label.

SWANK, INC.

Financial Summary (in thousands)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$38,218	$43,320	$87,253	$93,764
Income (loss) before federal tax	$1,338	$3,396	$(3,092)	$1,685
Net income (loss)	$837	$2,149	$(2,090)	$1,078
Net income (loss) per share	5 cents	13 cents	(13 cents)	7 cents
Average shares & equivalents outstanding	16,304,971	16,286,666	16,256,543	16,046,935

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DAYTON, OHIO (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Iams Company, a manufacturer of high-nutrition pet foods, has received the first annual Good Dog! Magazine "Golden Bone Award" for donations made to needy dogs and cats, the company recently announced.

The Dayton, Ohio-based company has made numerous donations during 1990 to regional animal organizations, as well as donating money and Iams products to help feed the pets of victims left homeless by such disasters as floods, fires and hurricanes.

"There is no structured program for giving donations at our company," said Iams Marketing Communications Manager Glenn Williams. "Our mission is to enhance the well-being of dogs and cats, and these donations are a natural result of that mission."

"Golden Bone Award" winners are chosen by a panel of editors of Good Dog! Magazine. As a finalist for the 1990 award Iams competed with four other companies in the pet food or pet products industries.

Good Dog! Magazine, a national magazine published in Charleston, S.C., covers issues for today's dog owner and tests and reviews pet foods and pet products for dogs.

"The help Iams has given pets in need throughout the country has set a good example for all of us," said Good Dog! Magazine Publisher Ross Becker. "It shows that whatever one's line of business, there's always a way you can help other beings."

Iams high-nutrition dog and cat foods are sold exclusively in specialty outlets such as pet stores, pet supply stores, veterinary clinics, feed stores

and kennels in all 50 states and Canada, and many countries abroad.

The Iams Company has manufacturing plants in Lewisburg, Ohio and Aurora, Neb. A third Iams plant is currently under construction in Henderson, N.C.

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DENVER (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Big O Tires Inc. (NASDAQ: BIGO) reported net income of $825,800 or 5 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net income of $418,500 or 3 cents per share for the like period in 1989. Sales of $31,202,700 increased by $617,200 over sales of the third quarter, 1989.

Steven P. Cloward, president and chief executive officer of Big O Tires, said, "We are extremely pleased that Big O is able to report record earnings for the third quarter. Despite the temporary setbacks in the tire industry of late, Big O and its franchised dealers are continuing to grow. Many of the controls and expected results are beginning to manifest themselves."

Gross profit for the third quarter increased by $336,300 as compared to the like period, 1989. The company's gross profit margin was 20.9 percent for the third quarter, reflecting a .7 percent increase over third quarter, 1989. Gross profits increased by $127,200 as a result of the increase in net sales and $209,100 due to the increased gross profit margin.

Gross profits were impacted by adjustment expenses associated with the company's free tire replacement warranty program, but to a lesser extent than in the like period of 1989.

Selling and administrative expenses decreased $468,400 during the third quarter, 1990, as compared to the like period for 1989. The company attributes this decrease to the sale or divestiture of seven retail stores in late 1989.

Interest expense increased by $88,100 during the third quarter, 1990, as compared to the like period of 1989, primarily due to higher inventory and receivable balances during the first nine months of 1990 compared to the like period of 1989, and from additional long-term debt acquired in relation to the financing of the Denver Regional Sales and Service Center (RSSC) and post-construction financing of the Boise, Idaho RSSC.

Big O Tires, headquartered in Englewood, Colo., provides quality tires and automotive service through more than 350 company and independently owned stores in 15 states, making it the largest tire and automotive service

franchise company in the United States. Its common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "BIGO."

BIG O TIRES INC.

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Sales	$31,202,700	$30,585,500
Net income	825,800	418,500
Net income per share	.05	.03
Weighted average shares outstanding	17,543,313	15,751,547
	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Sales	$81,646,200	$81,155,000
Net income	992,800	1,055,200
Net income per share	.06	.07
Weighted average shares outstanding	17,551,655	15,621,829

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#90316p5953 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Culbro Corporation (NYSE: CUC) today reported net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, of $201,000, or 5 cents per share, on sales of $248,710,000. In the 1989 third quarter the corporation reported a net loss of $3,490,000, or 81 cents per share, on sales of $232,462,000.

Net income in the nine-month period ended Sept. 29, 1990, was $4,140,000, or 96 cents per share, on sales of $741,476,000. Net income in the comparable 1989 period was $567,000, or 13 cents per share, on sales of $712,458,000.

Culbro stated that the principal differences between the quarters' results were restructuring charges of $4 million recorded in the third quarter of last year and $1 million of profit from the sale of excess warehouse facilities in the current quarter. Additionally, the 1990 results reflect increased profit in the corporation's wholesale distribution business which benefited from lower LIFO inventory costs, and improved results in the CMS Gilbreth Packaging Systems unit, which was marginally profitable as compared to an operating loss in the 1989 third quarter. These favorable factors were offset in part by an operating loss in the corporation's nursery products business because of the slowdown in real estate development activities and the weakening economy in the Northeast.

Year-to-date net income increased over the comparable 1989 period due to the effect of the restructuring charge in 1989, the profit from the facilities sale and improved results in the industrial products segment, partially offset by lower profit in the nursery products business. All business segments were profitable, before interest and taxes, in the year-to-date period.

Culbro Corporation is a diversified organization with interests in cigars, wholesale distribution of tobacco and sundry consumer products, industrial products including labelling systems and plastic components, real estate and landscape nursery stock.

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#90316p5955 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DUNDEE, MICH. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Holnam Inc. (NYSE: HLN) today reported consolidated revenues of $324.0 million and a net profit of $7.6 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990; compared with revenues of $326.9 million and a net profit of $16.4 million in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, Holnam recorded a net loss of $16.8 million on revenues of $780.6 million, versus a net profit of $10.3 million on revenues of $774.7 million in the first nine months of 1989.

The 1989 results do not reflect the acquisition of Northwestern States Portland Cement Company on Jan. 19, 1990, the March 8, 1990, acquisition of the minority interests of Ideal Basic Industries Inc., nor the acquisition of United Cement Company on Aug. 28, 1990. The effect of these transactions is reflected in 1990 beginning at their respective dates of acquisition.

The decrease in revenues of $2.9 million for the third quarter of 1990, in comparison with 1989, was primarily the result of a 21 percent decrease in cement shipments and reduced concrete volume at St. Lawrence Cement Inc., of Canada, which is 60 percent owned by Holnam. Marc von Wyss, president and chief executive officer, reported that despite a 15 percent increase in cement shipments from the Holnam East and West Divisions, which includes shipments related to Northwestern States Portland Cement Company and United Cement Company, revenues from these operations did not increase sufficiently to offset the St. Lawrence decline.

The increase in revenues of $5.9 million for the first nine months of 1990, in comparison with 1989 was primarily due to a 4 percent increase in total cement shipments, along with a 3 percent increase in cement prices for the East and West Divisions.

Holnam's third quarter of 1990 gross margin declined from the corresponding quarter of 1989 due principally to declining contribution of St. Lawrence

sales which carry a higher-than-average gross margin. The year-to-date gross margin percentage of 20 percent for 1990, compared with 23 percent for 1989 was similarly affected. The percentage gross margin of Holnam East and West for the nine months ending in 1990 and in 1989 remained flat while the margin percentage of St. Lawrence declined five percentage points in 1990, as compared with 1989.

Selling and administration expenses in the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 were higher than in the corresponding periods of 1989, primarily due to operating expenses related to integrating Holnam's East and West Divisions, expenses associated with the Northwestern States operations and increased outlays at St. Lawrence. Higher interest charges resulted from increased debt levels.

The company is negotiating with a group of banks final terms of a $240 million revolving line of credit and term-loan agreement. Closing of the transaction is expected in the next several weeks.

Holnam Inc. is a leading producer of cement in the United States and Canada.

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#90316p5956 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOTEBERG, SWEDEN (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statement was released today by AB Volvo:

Volvo's U.S. subsidiary, Volvo North America Corporation, has last week conceded that a TV advertisement was incorrect. A film sequence comparing Volvo cars with others had been manipulated.

"Our behavior is distasteful and unacceptable," said Volvo Chairman Pehr G. Gyllenhammar.

"It represents an offense against our company and what we represent and an insult against all Volvo owners. Our dedicated work to improve traffic and car safety is known the world over and simple facts of what we have achieved is the only sound base for our information."

An investigation has now been ordered in the U.S. organization. The investigation is intended to clarify how this misconduct has come about and identify those responsible for it.

"I will hereby make an example and demonstrate to all our loyal customers, suppliers and employees that I will never tolerate any kind of misconduct or breech of company policies that will damage Volvo's name and excellent reputation," said Gyllenhammar.

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#90316p5961 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI BEACH, FL (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Truck and bus fleet operators in the United States and Canada can obtain more customized performance reports and faster access to trip information from a new generation of on-board electronic computers -- the Tripmaster(R) Data Port system -- introduced today by Rockwell International Corporation's Automotive Operations.

Available immediately, the Data Port system -- previewed by North American truck industry editors here at the American Trucking Association's 1990 Management Conference & Exhibition -- assesses driver and vehicle performance and helps lower fuel costs. For user convenience, this premium model combines new, advanced capabilities within Rockwell's proven configuration of a computerized trip recorder and driver/vehicle performance software, as used by more than 2,000 private and for-hire motor carrier locations across North America.

"This next-generation, on-board computer will permit fleet operations to grow into the 1990s. Its new design contains outlets for use with real-time data devices -- fax machines, bar-code readers, electronic engine controls (SAE J1708 bus) and mobile communications systems," said Kurt Burmeister, director of sales and marketing for Automotive Electronics.

"Due to the overwhelming variety of choices in these communications technologies, we intend to work with all customers to integrate their market segment needs with the new system," Burmeister noted.

As the premium model in the Rockwell on-board computer family, the Tripmaster Data Port system also contains the company's latest method of extracting data: the Tripmaster Traveler, a new connectorless, credit card-sized data extraction card, offering easy information access.

Vehicle operators can use this card as a personalized computer diskette to store and transfer information directly, instead of physically linking a data extractor between the trip recorder and personal computer. The card accommodates single drivers or team driver combinations, including slip-seat operations.

The system's design also offers a new reprogramming feature providing motor carriers the ability to incorporate future product enhancements, without removing hardware, through a unique downloading process.

"Because this system customizes information for a variety of vocations, motor

carrier operations are not faced with the chore of having to pick from a number of special Tripmaster models," said Burmeister.

"For instance, ideal candidates, like wholesale food distribution fleets, bulk haulers and certain slip-seat operations, have information needs ranging from keeping highly detailed records of goods delivered, invoice numbers and new orders to tracking multiple driver performances," he said. "The Tripmaster Data Port system can perform all of these functions and more."

Rockwell International (NYSE: ROK) is a $12 billion, multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses.

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RICHMOND, VA. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Ryland Mortgage Securities Corporation (RMSC) priced $80,000,000 of mortgage participation securities (Series 1990-5A and 1990-5B) on Thursday, Nov. 8, 1990. The issue will be underwritten by Bear, Stearns & Co., Inc., and will be collateralized by fixed-rate mortgage loans provided by RAC Mortgage Funding Corporation.

Series 1990-5A and 1990-5B will be collateralized by two distinct pools of mortgage loans. Pool A, securing Series 1990-5A, will consist of mortgage loans with original terms to maturity of 15 years or less. Pool B, consisting or mortgage loans with original and remaining terms to maturity of greater than 15 years but not more than 30 years, will secure Series 1990-5B. Series 1990-5A and 1990-5B contain the following classes:

Class	Pass-through Rate (Percent)	Approx. Amount
A-1	9.50	$18,500,000
A-2	(A)	--
B-1	10.00	61,500,000
B-2	(A)	--

(A) Class A-2 and Class B-2 will be entitled to receive all "excess interest" above 9.50 percent and 10.00 percent, respectively, on the loans in the pools.

It is anticipated that Series 1990-5A and 1990-5B will be rated AAA by Standard & Poor's Rating Group and Aaa by Moody's Investors Service. The transaction is scheduled to close on Thursday, Dec. 20, 1990.

Ryland Mortgage Securities Corporation is a limited-purpose finance subsidiary of Ryland Acceptance Corporation (RAC). RAC is an indirect, wholly owned

subsidiary of The Ryland Group, Inc., one of the nation's largest homebuilders.

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SYOSSET, N.Y. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Viatech, Inc. (AMEX: VTK) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Donald J. Bainton today announced record results for the third quarter and first nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 increased nearly five-fold to $95,397,000, compared with $19,546,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased sharply over the previous year's quarter, reaching $1,875,000, or $1.07 per share, vs. $426,000 or $.34 per share.

For the first nine months of 1990, revenues were $215,871,000, over three times greater than revenues of $64,123,000 reported in the first nine months of 1989. Net income for the 1990 nine-month period was a record $3,736,000, or $2.16 per share, compared with $1,044,000, or $.83 per share, in 1989.

Each period of 1989 included an extraordinary item resulting from a tax benefit amounting to $53,000 in net income and $.04 in earnings per share.

"We are extremely pleased with the company's excellent performance and the record results reported today. Our strong revenues and earnings are a direct result of the successful integration of Ferembal, the second largest food can manufacturer in France and fifth largest in Europe, which we acquired in the fourth quarter of 1989. In addition, our other operating subsidiaries -- LKB Dixie Union and Onena -- contributed nicely to our record earnings. Viatech also benefited from increased interest income in the United States and foreign currency translation rate differences," said Bainton.

Bainton noted that earnings per share for the third quarter of 1990 increased 215 percent even with the dilution resulting from the sale of 460,000 shares of common stock in January 1990. According to Bainton, weighted average shares outstanding in the third quarter and first nine months of 1,776,000 and 1,732,000, respectively, is approximately 40 percent higher than the same prior-year periods.

Bainton continued, "Our strategy and vision remains the same -- to aggressively pursue acquisitions in the plastic and metal packaging industries around the world which will have a positive impact on our bottom line. Thus far, both Dixie Union and Onena remain on course with our expectations, while Ferembal's 1990 results are running ahead of our projections. We expect our 1990 financial performance to be significantly ahead of last year."

Viatech, Inc., through its subsidiaries, manufactures cans, films and equipment for the packaging industry, and prints and laminates packaging for the food and snack food industries.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Uricho, president of Sunair Electronics, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SNRU), today announced the results for the fiscal year and quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

SUNAIR ELECTRONICS, INC. & SUBSIDIARY
CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY OF INCOME FOR THE QUARTER AND YEAR ENDED
SEPT. 30, 1990 (AUDITED)

	Twelve Months		Three Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$4,269,077	$4,614,407	$1,031,803	$1,233,065
Income Before Taxes and adjustment	452,392	497,450	107,297	141,413
Provisions For Income Taxes	106,000	108,000	19,040	38,168
Net income before inventory adjustment	346,392	389,450	88,257	103,245
Inventory adjustment(A)	(1,013,000)	--	(1,013,000)	--
Provision for income taxes	(106,000)	--	(106,000)	--
Net income (loss)	($560,608)	389,450	($818,743)	103,245
Earnings per share before inventory adjustment	.09	.10	.02	.03
Earnings (loss) per share after inventory adjustment	(.14)	.10	(.21)	.03

(A) -- Charge against inventory to reflect obsolescence resulting from new equipment designs.

Sunair designs, manufactures and markets high frequency single sideband communications equipment utilized for long range voice and data communications in fixed station, airborne, mobile and marine applications worldwide.

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NEW HYDE PARK, N.Y. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Uniforce Temporary Personnel Inc. (NASDAQ: UNFR) today reported its revenues and earnings for the third quarter 1990. Third quarter 1990 results reflected record revenues of $29,977,050. Net earnings $738,352 ($.17 per share) compared to $905,196 ($.19 per share) achieved on revenues of $27,970,876 in the 1989 third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues reached a record $86,091,995, 4.3 percent over the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net earnings before cumulative effect of accounting change were $2,448,903 ($.54 per share), vs. $2,603,112 ($.56 per share) in the 1989 nine-month period. 1989 net earnings included a one-time tax benefit of $410,000 ($.09 per share).

Commenting on the company's outlook, John Fanning, president and chief executive officer, stated: "The current recessionary climate has created unique environment for increased opportunities recessionary climate has created a unique environment for increased opportunities for conversions of independent temp service to the Uniforce System. The activity in this area is reaching an all-time high and we feel optimistic that it will contribute significantly to our performance for the balance of the year."

The company, under its trade name, Uniforce Temporary Services, is a national network of 115 predominately licensed offices providing temporary personnel in the general and automated office, marketing, accounting, technical, records management, hospitality and light industrial services categories.

UNIFORCE TEMPORARY PERSONNEL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Financial Highlights (unaudited)

Periods ending	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$29,997,050	$27,970,876	$86,091,995	$82,524,410
Net earns before cumulative effect of accounting change	738,352	905,196	2,448,903	2,603,112
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for taxes (A)	--	--	--	410,000
Net earnings	738,352	905,196	2,448,903	3,013,112
Wtd. avg. no. of shares outstanding	4,464,408	4,662,492	4,545,150	4,630,128
Earns per share net earnings before cumulative effect of				

accounting change	$.17	$.19	$.54	$.56
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for income taxes (A)	--	--	--	.09
Net earnings per share	$.17	$.19	$.54	$.65

(A) On Jan. 1, 1989, the company adopted the provisions of FASB No. 96, Accounting for Income Taxes, and recognized a one-time benefit of $410,000 ($.09 per share).

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#90316p5972 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Nuevo Energy Co. (NYSE: NEV) today reported results for the 83-day period from July 10 to Sept. 30, its first period of operation following the consolidation of entities from which Nuevo was formed.

Pre-tax net earnings (before deduction of non-recurring costs associated with the consolidation) were $1,881,000. After expensing the non-recurring formation costs of $1,694,000, after-tax net earnings were $123,000. Operating cash flow for the period was $4,254,000, or $0.49 per share.

Robert L. Gerry III, president of Nuevo, commenting on the results, said:

"This is about in line with our expectations. Nuevo had strong operating cash flow during the period. The non-recurring costs associated with the Nuevo consolidation, coupled with a short July reporting period, obviously impacted our net earnings. However, these costs are behind us and Nuevo is aggressively pursuing opportunities for its future growth.

"During the first few months of operation, Nuevo has: -- Completed the conversion of the Illini pipeline serving East St. Louis, to full operation, enabling us to flow 10 million cubic feet per day to our first customer. Thf?igure should increase to 15 million cubic feet per day by the end of November.

-- In a joint venture with Union Pacific Resources Corp., completed the leasing of approximately 50,000 acres in the Giddings Field, for horizontal drilling in the Austin Chalk formation. One well has been drilled and is being tested, a second well is currently drilling, and a third location is being selected.

-- Drilled 25 wells in the Robinson's Bend coal seam gas project in the Black Warrior Basin in Alabama.

-- Completed the acquisition of additional interests in the Oak Hill Field and

proposed workover of 10 existing wells to enhance production.

-- Completed the acquisition of additional interests in the Weeks Island Field."

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#90316p5974 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Snyder Oil Corp. (SOCO) (NYSE: SNY) today announced its results for the third quarter of 1990. Acquisitions, coupled with higher oil prices, resulted in revenues increasing to $24.4 million from $4.5 million in the 1989 quarter. Operating income jumped more than 300 percent to $11.9 million and after-tax cash flow increased 226 percent to $7.7 million. Despite sharp rises in depletion, interest, administrative expenses and taxes due to acquisitions, net income rose 18 percent to $1.8 million. Net income per share remained below the prior year's levels due to the increase in outstanding shares.

The results reflect a substantial increase in the size of the company due primarily to the acquisition of Snyder Oil Partners. Higher oil prices in August and September contributed to record cash flow despite lower gas prices. The impact of high oil prices is expected to lead to record fourth quarter results. SOCO continues to divest nonstrategic properties in an effort to optimize its existing assets. To date, its interest in over 530 wells have been sold for an aggregate of $5.8 million.

Rapid progress is being made in SOCO's exploration program. The company's first horizontal well in the Niobrara Chalk has been drilled and should be tested within two weeks. Additional horizontal drilling is scheduled in the Niobrara before yearend. SOCO is also participating in its initial horizontal well in the Bakken Shale with Columbia Gas. Drilling on the well is underway and should be completed in early December. Oryx's seismic studies on SOCO's Halsell Ranch Project in the Austin Chalk are underway. Subject to the results, the drilling of another horizontal well there should commence early next year. Finally, SOCO holds a 25 percent carried interest in the drilling of a vertical exploratoray well in the Cuyama Valley of California. The well was recently spudded by Exxon and drilling should be completed by year end. The success of one or more of these projects could significantly increase SOCO's reserves and cash flow.

Snyder Oil is an independent oil company engaged in the acquisition, production, development and exploration of oil and gas properties and in natural gas processing and transportation. The company's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SNY.

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-30- 2636

#90316p5979 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ZEELAND, MI (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Gentex Corporation of Zeeland, Michigan, announced today that settlement discussions with Donnelly Corporation of Holland, Mich., relating to patent litigation pending between them having been terminated by the parties.

Gentex and Donnelly signed a letter of intent on September 25, 1990, outlining the basic terms for a resolution of litigation, but the parties were unable to reach a mutually acceptable final agreement, according to Gentex Executive Vice President Kenneth LaGrand. The litigation, which relates to two patents held by Gentex on automotive electrochromic mirrors, will continue in pre-trial preparation.

In an unrelated development, Gentex also announced the receipt of a major purchase order for interior electrochromic mirrors from a new, undisclosed Japanese customer. Gentex estimates the purchase order will generate $3 million in revenue over the first full year of production, and plans to begin volume shipments of product in February 1991.

Gentex posted net income of $888,000, or 12 cents per share, on sales of $15.9 million for the nine-month period ended September 30, 1990.

Based upon recent production cutbacks announced by U.S. automakers, it now appears that shipments of automatic mirrors may decrease approximately 7 percent for the fourth quarter compared to the same period last year. Gentex sold 107,000 automatic mirrors in the fourth quarter of 1989.

Gentex Corporation (GNTX: NASDAQ/NMS) develops, manufactures and markets proprietary electro-optical products: interior/exterior electrochromic and motorized automatic mirrors for the automotive industry and an extensive line of fire protection products for commercial applications.

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#90316p5980 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - MLX Corp. (NASDAQ: MLXX) announced today the results of the third-quarter operations.

Net sales of $137.9 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared to net sales of $133.3 million for the third quarter of 1989. Earnings before income taxes were $1.8 million compared to $2.6 million in 1989. The net loss for the quarter was $318,000 or $.01 per share compared to earnings of $1.2 million or

$.07 per share in 1989. Third-quarter operating results for both of the company's operating groups were adversely impacted by the economy in general. Although net sales for both operating groups increased over the comparable 1989 quarter, the softening economy resulted in reduced gross margins. This adverse effect was partially offset by a $2.2 million reduction in interest expense which resulted from the new debt structure of the company. Income tax expense increased by $645,000 during the quarter which reflects the elimination of the federal income tax credit which was recognized in the first two quarters.

For the first nine months of 1990, MLX reported net sales of $354.4 million, the same amount as for the first nine months of 1989. Operating results for the first nine months of 1990 resulted in a net loss of $5 million, or $.23 per share, compared to net earnings of $793,000 or $.05 per share for 1989. As William P. Panny, chairman and chief executive officer, stated in the second-quarter report, the Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Group operating results were negatively impacted for the first six months of 1990 by delays in product shipments from vendors pending the completion of the group's refinancing.

MLX is the largest independent nationwide distributor of commercial refrigeration and air conditioning equipment, parts and supplies, and is a leading global manufacturer of high energy friction products and components used in aircraft brakes and in clutches, brakes and transmissions for heavy-duty trucks and off-highway equipment.

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MLX Corp., 412-833-6230

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#90316p5985 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
OAKLAND, CA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp. and the United Steelworkers of America jointly announced that union members voted to approve a new master labor contract covering about 3,500 Kaiser employees at six U.S. locations. This action ratifies an agreement that was reached by company and union negotiators on Nov. 1.

Kaiser Aluminum is a subsidiary of MAXXAM Inc. (AMEX: MXM). The new contract, which extends for four years, is effective Nov. 1, 1990, and extends through Oct. 31, 1994. Among other things, it:

-- Increases base pay by 50 cents an hour in the first year and by 50 cents an hour in the fourth year; -- Increases the pension multiplier by $2 in the first year and $1 in each of the next three years; -- Provides a signing bonus of $1,000 and $500 bonuses in the second and third years; -- Continues a bonus plan tied to the price of metal with

optional
plant-specific performance bonus plans; -- Introduces a managed health care program; -- Diverts some COLA money to pay for health care cost increases; and -- Provides for a partial buy-out of Kaiser Aluminum preference stock held in the Kaiser Aluminum USWA Employee Stock Ownership Plan.

The USWA/Kaiser master contract covers aluminum smelters located at Mead and Tacoma, Wash.; a sheet and plate rolling mill at Trentwood, Wash.; an alumina refinery at Gramercy, La.; a rod/bar/wire plant at Newark, Ohio; and a coil coating facility at Toledo, Ohio.

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#90316p5990 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DRYDEN, MICH. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Champion Enterprises, Inc. (AMEX: CHB) announced today that its odd-lot repurchase program for common stock has been extended to Dec. 10, 1990. Beneficial holders and holders of record as of the close of business on Sept. 21, 1990, are eligible to participate in the offer.

Shareholders participating in the extended program will be paid the average of the closing market prices for Champion Enterprises common stock on the American Stock Exchange for the trading dates Nov. 12, 1990, through Dec. 10, 1990, inclusive. No brokerage fees or transfer taxes will be charged.

The extended repurchase is a voluntary program which will expire Dec. 10, 1990. Brokers, banks and other nominees can obtain copies of the offering materials without charge by contacting Shareholder Communications Corporation, 40 Exchange Place, New York, New York, 10005 (1-800-678-9606).

The company said the purpose of the offer is to make it easier and less costly for these small shareholders to sell their stock. It will also reduce the company's expense connected with handling small accounts.

Champion Enterprises, Inc., headquartered in Dryden, is a holding company whose principal subsidiaries are leading producers of manufactured homes, motor homes and medium duty buses.

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#90316p5991 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDEN, CO (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Imex Medical Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: IMEX)

held its 7th Annual Shareholders Meeting on Nov. 8, 1990, at United Bank of Denver in downtown Denver.

President & CEO Dennis Newman said in part: "We are very pleased with the high level of acceptance of our IMEXLAB 9000 systems. Orders for this innovative software controlled vascular diagnostic system have exceeded our most optimistic forecasts, especially in recent months. Physicians are very pleased with the ease of using this system to produce an accurate, professional report diagnosing serious diseases, such as blockages of the arteries in the legs, which lead to 20,000 leg amputations in the U.S. every year.

"Although the bulk of these orders were too recent to substantially impact our first quarter sales and earnings, we anticipate that if the current upturn in momentum continues future quarters will be positively affected."

Located in Golden, Colo., Imex specializes in "user-friendly" and cost effective instrumentation for the office-based physician. The company produces several diagnostic instruments for either fetal heartbeat detection or for early detection of disease conditions which may lead to poor blood circulation in the legs, stroke, and other vascular problems.

CONTACT: Dennis R. Newman or Ernest S. Malachowski, 303-431-9400, both of Imex Medical Systems

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#90316p5993 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEBEC, CALIF. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Tejon Ranch Co. (AMEX: TRC) announced today the election of Rayburn S. Dezember to the company's board of directors. The board was increased in size from 10 to 11 directors. Dezember was the former chairman of the Bakersfield based American National Bank and its holding company, Central Pacific Corp. These entities were recently purchased by Wells Fargo Bank and Dezember is now serving as a director of Wells Fargo and company. Dezember is also a director of VISA, USA, The Bakersfield Californian, Calmat, and the Kern Economic Development Corp.

Dezember has also served terms as director of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and its Los Angeles branch. He is currently chairman of the board of trustees of Whittier College and a member of the Regional Executive Committee of the Western Region of the Boy Scouts of America. Dezember has served as chairman, president or director of numerous local and statewide trade, civic and charitable organizations.

Tejon Ranch President, Jack Hunt, commented that the company is extremely fortunate to have an individual of Dezember's stature added to its board. "Dezember not only brings great community knowledge and sensitivity to the board but also a broad business perspective of many of the issues affecting

the future of the company."

Tejon Ranch Co. owns approximately 270,000 acres of land some 60 miles north of Los Angeles and is engaged in cattle, farming, oil and minerals and commercial highway leasing operations.

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#90316p5994 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELYRIA, OH (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Invacare Corporation (NASDAQ/NMS: IVCR), America's largest and most innovative manufacturer of wheelchairs and other home medical equipment, today announced the creation of Action Technology, a new division geared specifically to the needs of active wheelchair users.

Action Technology will operate from an independent manufacturing facility located at 34655 Mills Rd. in North Ridgeville, Ohio, with a satellite operation in Fresno, Calif.

The Action Technology product line will be unveiled later this week as part of over 50 new products Invacare will introduce at the National Home Health Care Exposition in Atlanta.

A. Malachi Mixon III, Invacare's chairman, president and chief executive officer, explained the company's strategic move, "The physically challenged - just like the rest of America's population - are leading more active lifestyles than ever before. Yet until now, mobility has often been hampered by a lack of style and performance in the wheelchairs our industry has offered.

"Active wheelchair consumers want and need equipment that supports their lifestyle," he continued. "The new designs we're building at Action Technology will do so, for everything from everyday use to high performance sporting events."

Invacare Corporation has a history of bold product innovation. The firm has revolutionized the wheelchair industry in recent years with a variety of premier concepts, including:

- the first spokeless mag-style wheel, first lightweight, titanium frame and first swingaway, removeable footrests - all of which significantly enhanced ease of use.
- the first power wheelchair operated with microcomputer components, digital controls and self-diagnostics.
- the first power wheelchair with performance adjustments - allowing speed and acceleration to be altered to fit individual needs.
- the first lightweight portable battery charger - which greatly extended the distances achievable in power wheelchairs.

Invacare's new division continues that tradition with its initial product offering of eight high-quality wheelchairs designed specifically for active users. Now, the firm will introduce the world's first wheelchairs fabricated entirely from high-performance, advanced composite materials used in the space program.

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#90316p5997 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUTCHINSON, KAN. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Doskocil Companies Incorporated (NASDAQ: DOSKQ) announced today that it intends to close the Clarinda, Iowa dry sausage plant effective May 31, 1991.

All production from Clarinda will be transferred to Doskocil's Jefferson, Wis. plant which has adequate capacity to handle the additional volume. The Jefferson facility currently produces dry sausage. Therefore, the technology is already in place and the transition time will allow for consistency in product formulation.

This action is in keeping with the company's continuing efforts to consolidate its asset base and the ongoing strategy to be a low cost producer.

Doskocil and its subsidiaries specialize in formulating, processing, marketing and distributing specialty precooked value added meat, meat toppings, pepperoni, and other deli specialty meats. The company is a leading supplier of beef and pork toppings and pepperoni to the pizza foods service market. In addition, Doskocil and its subsidiaries supply products to grocery and independent delicatessens, numerous restaurants, food processors, and institutional customers.

CONTACT: Ronald L. Mercer, president and COO of Doskocil Companies, 405-525-4601; or J. Desmond Towey or Bernadette McLaughlin of Cameron Towey & Associates, 212-888-7600, for Doskocil

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#90316p5998 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRMONT, MN (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Weigh-Tronix, Inc. (NASDAQ: WGHT), today reported unaudited results for the second quarter and year-to-date ended Sept. 29, 1990.

WEIGH-TRONIX, INC. SECOND QUARTER AND YEAR-TO-DATE RESULTS (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Year-to-Date Ended	
	9/29/90	9/30/89	9/29/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$15,722,842	$13,782,325	$32,557,562	$29,973,951

Net earnings	$787,922	$746,603	$1,656,106	$1,488,922
Dividends on subsidiary preferred stock	41,961	--	82,888	--
Earnings available for common stock E.P.S.	745,961	746,603	1,573,118	1,488,922
Earnings per share	$.28	$.28	$.59	$.56
Weighted average common and common stock equivalents outstanding	2,669,144	2,666,705	2,670,438	2,666,060

CONTACT: Weigh-Tronix, (507) 238-4461.

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#90316p6006 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Comair, The Delta Connection, today announced plans to celebrate Customer Appreciation Week Nov. 12-18. Comair customers will receive complimentary gift kits as a token of appreciation. Gift kits and literature will be distributed at gate areas throughout the system. Drawings for complimentary travel on Comair will be held periodically throughout the week. The company has chosen the week in November because it falls into the traditionally high peak business travel time. The theme of the week "The Airline You've Built" focuses on the successes that the company has achieved, including having flown 1.6 million passengers.

Comair has been in operation since 1977 and operates from the two hubs of Cincinnati and Orlando, Fla. The company serves more than 50 cities and 3 counties with a fleet of 68 state-of-the-art regional aircraft.

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#90316p6021 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORT ARTHUR, TX (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - U. S. Intec Inc. (NASDAQ: INTK), today reported results of operations for the nine months and the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

	For the three months ended Sept. 30 (in 000's except per share figures)	
	1990	1989
Sales	$21,582	$18,599
Income Before Tax	1,745	1,659
Net Income	1,082	829
Net Income Per Share	.36	.28
Average Number of Shares Outstanding	2,969,161	2,969,161

	For the nine months ended Sept. 30 (in 000's except per share figure)	
	1990	1989
Sales	$55,257	$44,722
Income From Continuing Operations Before Tax	3,841	840
Income From Continuing Operations	2,381	420
Loss From Operation of Discontinued Subsidiary (Net of Tax)		(157)
Loss Associated with Provision for Disposal of Discontinued Subsidiary		(1,177)
Net Income (Loss)	2,381	(914)
Net Income (Loss) Per Share:		
From Continuing Operations	.80	.14
From Discontinued Operations		(.45)
Net Income Per Share	.80	(.31)
Average Number of Shares Outstanding	2,969,161	2,984,602

CONTACT: Brad Poynter of U. S. Intec Inc., 713-951-0020.

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#90316p6023 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORFOLK, VA. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Norfolk Southern Corporation (NYSE: NSC) today announced the acquisition of the assets of an Ohio River terminal near Wheelersburg, Ohio, from an affiliate of Island Creek Corporation.

Coal dumping, ground storage, blending, barge and train loading occur at the 276-acre facililty. Built in 1980, the terminal can handle 3,000 tons per hour or seven million tons annually. Its potential maximum storage capacity is 2.5 million tons. In 1989 the facility handled 3.4 million net tons.

"We believe this acquisition will expand our marketing opportunities and improve service to our coal customers," said William B. Bales, Vice President, Coal and Ore Traffic, of Roanoke, Va. "With the Wheelersburg terminal, Norfolk Southern will offer coal storage and blending services to markets served by barge as well as rail.

"Because of the recent passage of the Clean Air Act, we believe there will be opportunities for blended coals," he continued. "With the Wheelersburg terminal's storage and blending capabilities, Norfolk Southern will offer just-in-time, value-added services to its customers."

CONTACT: Don Piedmont, Director, Public Relations, 703-981-5407, or Robert Auman, 703-981-5426 or 703-989-4483, both of Norfolk Southern Corporation

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#90316p6027 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Orion Pictures' "Dances With Wolves" grossed $598,257 in 14 theaters in eight cities in its inaugural weekend, it was reported by David M. Forbes, president of Orion Pictures Distribution Corp.

The film earned an outstanding per theater gross of $42,733, a result which is the highest average this year and indicates that the film will be one of the year's top box office hits.

Standout grosses were reached in all of the film's 14 engagements: $69,259 for three days at Cineplex-Odeon's Century Plaza Theatre; the Newport Cinema in Orange County grossed $79,001 in the same period; and the UA Plaza in Dallas reported $50,703.

Elated exhibitors have reported that repeat business has already started, with patrons leaving one performance and purchasing advance seating for another show. In some theaters, managers reported advance sellouts up to seven hours prior to show start.

Commenting, Forbes said, "We are very excited about the reviews, the public's enthusiasm and the reception to a period film by first- time director Kevin Costner. The weekend results give us enormous confidence for the potential on Nov. 21 as we expand to a full national break."

Forbes continued, "This is the beginning of what appears to be a major holiday season for Orion, with 'Mermaids' and Woody Allen's 'Alice' opening before year's end, followed by 'Eve of Destruction' in January and Jonathan Demme's 'The Silence of the Lambs' in February."

"Dances with Wolves" is a TIG Production for Orion release. The film, produced, directed by and starring Kevin Costner, also stars Mary McDonnell, Graham Greene (as "Kicking Bird"), Rodney A. Grant (as "Wind in His Hair"), Floyd Red Crow Westerman (as "Chief Ten Bears") and Robert Pastorelli. Jim Wilson co-produced with Costner. Michael Blake wrote the screenplay, based on his novel.

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#90316p6033 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Lund International Holdings, Inc.

(NASDAQ: LUND) through formal action by its board of directors, has previously authorized the expenditure of up to $1,000,000 to repurchase, from time to time, its common stock in open market transactions. On Friday, Nov. 9, 1990, on behalf of Lund International Holdings, Inc., its wholly owned subsidiary, Lund Industries, Inc. purchased 85,000 shares of Lund International Holdings, Inc.'s common stock in the open market.

On Monday, Nov. 12, 1990, on behalf of Lund International Holdings, Inc., its wholly owned subsidiary, Lund Industries, Inc. purchased 52,600 shares of Lund International Holdings, Inc.'s common stock in the open market.

Lund International Holdings, Inc. through Lund Industries, Inc. of Minneapolis is the manufacturer of fiberglass accessories for the automotive aftermarket.

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#90316p6038 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODBRIDGE, N.J. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - GR Foods, Inc. (AMEX: GRX) today announced that it had agreed to sell its remaining fish meal operations, located in Panama, to a company controlled by Pierre J. Petrou and Celia Meilan.

The Panamanian operations, which have been unprofitable this year, were sold for a purchase price of approximately $3.6 million in cash and securities. Closing is expected to take place prior to Nov. 15, 1990. This sale substantially completes the disposition of all of GR Foods' commodity businesses and, as a result, the company has discontinued its commodity operations segment for financial reporting purposes.

GR Foods' net loss for the quarter of $4.76 million, or $.74 per share, included a provision for the disposition of the Panamanian operations as well as a provision against the carrying value of the preferred stock received in connection with the sale of the domestic fish meal operations sold earlier this year.

The company reported that its Ground Round restaurant chain continued to increase in sales and profitability over last year and that volume in its shrimp business continued to expand. However, during the quarter, Pan Pacific tuna operated at a loss due to the industrywide disruption caused by the move to dolphin-safe tuna.

GR Foods, Inc. has businesses in restaurants and food products.

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#90316p6040 11/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - For the second consecutive year, Forbes' Magazine has named Uno Restaurant Corporation to the elite group of the "200 Best Small Companies in America."

In this annual ranking of the nation's top small firms, Forbes evaluated more than 4,300 companies nationwide with sales between $1 million and $350 million.

Uno, in order to qualify, had to pass strenuous qualifications in growth in both earnings and sales, as well as return on equity.

In extending the award for Forbes, Ray J. Healey, Jr., publisher, said, "...I'd like to commend the management and Uno Restaurant Corporation on an outstanding performance."

Aaron Spencer, chairman of the board of Uno Corporation, in accepting the honor, stated that "... it is indeed gratifying to be recognized for the company's achievements, especially since we have just announced fourth results of revenue increase of 39 percent and fiscal 1990 revenue increase of 35 percent.

Uno Restaurant Corporation operates and franchises a chain of casual dining, full-service restaurants under the name "Pizzeria Uno Restaurant & Bar." The restaurants feature gourmet, Chicago-style deep dish pizza and a variety of entrees, sandwiches, appetizers, salads, desserts, and beverages. Uno Restaurant Corporation currently operates 34 Pizzeria Uno restaurants and has 47 franchised restaurants in 16 states, and Canada.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Halloween may be over, but Mentor Graphics (NASDAQ: MENT) has only begun driving a stake through the heart of Dracula, the heretofore industry-standard chip verification tool. Announced today, Mentor Graphics' Explorer CheckMate will challenge Dracula's 73-percent share of the IC verification tool market.

"Explorer CheckMate offers substantial performance and capacity improvements to IC designers," said Jim Hammock, president of Mentor Grahpics' Silicon Design Division (SDD). "Its advanced technologies finally give users what they've been looking for -- fast, accurate physical verification of integrated circuits (ICs) -- at a reasonable cost. At the same time, Explorer CheckMate gives us tremendous leverage for capturing an even larger share of the IC design automation market."

Physical verification is the final step in the design process which helps ensure that a chip will perform as specified. It checks for errors on hundreds of thousands of transistors, all of which must be error-free for proper chip operation. If an error is not caught at this stage, costly re-design and time-to-market delays may result. Design verification tools represent the second-largest segment -- 23.3 percent -- of the IC design market today.

Explorer CheckMate provides superior capacity and performance through network-distributed processing, more efficient database management, and better utilization of hardware resources like memory and disk space. "As a result, users can complete complex verification checks in a single pass that users of other tools need multiple passes to handle," said Hammock. "If the designer can cut hours -- and in some cases, days -- off each full chip verification run, the impact can be significant. Explorer CheckMate users can get their chips manufactured earlier and thus bring their products to market sooner than ever before."

Explorer CheckMate is a proven, versatile technology capable of dominating the IC verification market. Mentor Grahpics co-developed Explorer CheckMate with Texas Instruments, who has used its underlying algorithms to verify thouands of IC designs during the past 14 years.

"The algorithms represented in CheckMate are fourth generation," said Robert Rozeboom, vice president and general manager of Texas Instruments' Semiconductor Design Automation Division. "Just about every chip designed at Texas Instruments has been verified with technology that is now the core of Explorer CheckMate. Using the algorithms contained in Explorer CheckMate, Texas Instruments and its strategic partners have verified hundreds of chips -- built in CMOS, bipolar, BiCMOS, and gallium-arsenide technologies -- containing digital, analog and mixed-signal designs."

Users can expect typical throughput improvements of 20 to 300 percent using Explorer CheckMate. In a series of benchmarks that directly compared Explorer CheckMate with Dracula III, Explorer CheckMate was the hands-down powerhouse. One leading semiconductor equipment manufacturer needed 19 hours to verify its custom IC with Dracula. Explorer CheckMate finished the same run in 15 minutes by taking advantage of advanced algorithms that eliminated unnecessary verification checks of the design. A simulation systems manufacturer verified a 250,000-device microprocessor in 22 and one-half hours with Dracula. Using Explorer CheckMate, the verification took a little less than nine hours.

These benchmarks were conducted on a single CPU to ensure a fair comparison between the two companies' verification products. However, Explorer CheckMate's network-distributed processing offers users even greater performance. Network-distributed processing enables designers to spread the workload among a number of engineering workstations, thereby substantially

speeding the verification process.

In addition to providing significantly greater performance, Explorer CheckMate is competitively priced at $98,500; Dracula's base price is $173,000. Explorer CheckMate is available now and runs on both the Sun and Hewlett-Packard/Apollo platforms.

"A large number of IC designers are using Dracula today. In fact, Mentor Graphics itself has been one of the largest Dracula customers by offering Dracula verification software to its users," said Hammock. "We believe Explorer CheckMate is going to change all that."

In a related development, Hammock also announced the availability of Mentor's PARADE Place and Route tool which offers up to 10X faster processing speeds than any other place-and-route tool currently on the market. PARADE is an automatic layout tool for very complex application-specific integrated circuits (ASICs). Co-developed with National Semiconductor and OKI Semiconductor, PARADE also provides higher gate utilization and support for advanced ASIC architectures.

Explorer CheckMate and PARADE are just two recent announcements of new, advanced IC design tools from Mentor Graphics. In September, the company also announced a set of powerful new capabilities for ASIC library developers in Mentor Graphics' GDT Designer full-custom IC design system.

"We're committed to providing our customers with the best available technologies for all phases of IC design," said Hammock. "Even though the IC design market is smaller than the systems market, we think it's key to being the EDA leader. That's because it's the quality of the ICs that drive the competitiveness of electronic systems."

Mentor Graphics' Silicon Design Division provides the broadest spectrum of integrated IC design systems and modular, open design tools offered on industry-standard platforms. The company has worked with hundreds of customers, helping them achieve IC time-to-market breakthroughs. Major electronics companies using Mentor Graphics' SDD technology include Siemens, Motorola, Philips, Sharp, Tandem Computer, Texas Instruments and Toshiba.

Mentor Graphics Corp., Beaverton, Ore., was established in 1981 to design, manufacture, market and service electronic design automation (EDA) systems. The company is the leader in worldwide EDA sales, with revenues of $433,781,000 over the last 12 months. The company currently employs more than 2,600 people. In addition to its corporate offices in Beaverton, Mentor Graphics has sales and support offices in 66 locations worldwide. The company's headquarters are located at 8500 S.W. Creekside Place, Beaverton, OR 97005.

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CALABASAS, CA (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Lockheed Corp. (NYSE: LK) confirms that it has received an unsolicited expression of interest from NL Industries (NYSE: NL) asking Lockheed to work with it to structure a transaction for all outstanding shares of Lockheed common stock except NL shares. NL's letter does not contain detailed information regarding the proposed transaction. Lockheed will give full consideration to NL's indication of interest when further details are provided.

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TORONTO (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Roman Corporation Limited announced today that it is undertaking a restructuring of its business that will entail the sale of its interest in Lawson Mardon Group Limited.

Helen Roman-Barber, Roman Corporation's chairman and chief executive officer, said that "We are restructuring to strengthen Roman Corporation during a period of general economic uncertainty."

She said that "The proceeds from the sale of Lawson Mardon Group will be used to repay debt and build a capital reserve to support our other investments and to take advantage of future business opportunities."

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THOUSAND OAKS, CALIF. (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Amgen Inc. (NASDAQ: AMGN) announced that it will pay Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center $50 million in exchange for a substantial reduction in royalty payments owed by Amgen to Memorial Sloan-Kettering on U.S. sales of NEUPOGEN, Amgen's recombinant granulocyte colony-stimulating factor.

This payment is made in conjunction with the modification of a 1986 license agreement between the parties. Under the terms of the amendment, Amgen will also pay additional amounts to Memorial Sloan- Kettering in future years if certain conditions are met. The amendment will have no effect on non-U.S.

royalties due on NEUPOGEN sales. As a result of this transaction, Amgen will incur a one time after-tax charge of approximately $46 million to current quarter earnings.

Amgen is a leading biotechnology firm developing pharmaceutical products based on advances in recombinant DNA and molecular biology. The company, located in Thousand Oaks, was founded in April 1980. Amgen's European headquarters in Lucerne, Switzerland was established in 1989.

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IRVINE, CALIF (NOV. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - "Operation Desert Munchies," a program created by Avco Financial Services to pay the cost of shipping goods' to employees' family members serving in the Persian Gulf, has now been expanded to offer this service to Avco customers. Avco President Warren Lyons announced today that Avco will pay all shipping costs for Avco customers who wish to send baked goods, candies, photos, books and other such items to family members who have recently been deployed to the Persian Gulf.

"This offer is just one component of Avco's formal Community Involvement Program," said Lyons. "We want to show our military personnel and their families that we care for them and appreciate the sacrifices they are making for all of us."

"Operation Desert Munchies," which started as a result of an employee suggestion, grew to include all Avco Financial Services employees, has now expanded to include all Avco customers throughout the 44 states in which Avco operates branch offices.

The offer is effective immediately and will run through Dec. 31, 1990. There is no limit to the number of packages an Avco customer can send to a friend or loved one stationed in the Persian Gulf.

In order to obtain complete details and take advantage of the offer, Avco customers are invited to contact any Avco Financial Services office throughout the United States.

Avco Financial Services is a multi-billion dollar company with more than 1,200 branch offices in Australia, Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States.

The company is a subsidiary of Textron Inc., a multi-industry company with operations in three business sectors -- Aerospace Technology, Commercial Products and Financial Services.

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CANBERRA (NOV. 12) TASS - THE BRISBANE AND SYDNEY AUSTRALIAN MISSILE SHIPS SAILED FROM SYDNEY TO THE GULF TODAY.

THE DESTROYER AND FRIGATE WILL REPLACE FRIGATES ADELAIDE AND DARWIN, PART OF THE INTERNATIONAL NAVAL FORCE MONITORING TRADE SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ.

THE SUCCESS SUPPORT VESSEL WILL REMAIN IN THE GULF AND WILL LATER BE REPLACED BY THE WEST AUSTRALIA TANKER.

AUSTRALIAN SHIPS WILL BE REPLACED SYSTEMATICALLY UNTIL JULY 1991, ACCORDING TO AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE MINISTER ROBERT RAY.

IRAQ SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN KUWAIT, PRIME MINISTER ROBERT HAWKE SAID AT THE CEREMONY TO SEE OFF THE SHIPS.

TRADE SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ ARE THE BEST WAY TO FORCE SADDAM HUSSEIN TO LEAVE KUWAIT. THE SANCTIONS ARE SHOWING RESULTS, HAWKE SAID, HOPING THAT THE CONFLICT WILL BE SETTLED PEACEFULLY.

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#90316u0022 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 12) UPI - President Bush plans to meet with bipartisan congressional leaders at the White House Wednesday to talk about his buildup of troops in the Persian Gulf. Bush has drawn sharp criticism from some democratic leaders who accuse him of putting the nation on the path toward war.

An Air Force Titan perfect liftoff from Cape Canaveral. The towering rocket boosted a secret Pentagon satellite into orbit. An Air Force spokesman says ''Everything seems to have gone well.''

The Energy Department says it will detonate a powerful nuclear weapon beneath the Nevada desert on Wednesday. Officials say the nuclear device will have a yield possibly 12 times greater than the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima during World War Two.

The N-double-A-C-P is critical of the University of California's decision to accept a bowl bid to a postseason game in racially-polarized Arizona. A spokesman for the civil rights organization said- ''We do NOT look kindly on this action by the University of California.''

The Golden Bears football team voted unanimously yesterday to go to the Copper Bowl in Arizona, which has become a hotbed of controversy following voters

rejection last week of Martin Luther King Day.

One person was reported killed when super typhoon Mike slammed into the central Philippines. The powerful storm packing winds gusting up to 175 miles an hour unleashed flood waters that forced more than seven- thousand to fleee their homes in Leyte island.

The Soviet newspaper Izvestia reports the republic of Lithuania has ordered the issuing of its own currency. The paper says the move by the secessionist-bent Baltic state is an open declaration it has NO desire to stay in the Soviet Union in which only one currency will exist.

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#90316u0131 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 12) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	4	1	.800	-
New York	4	2	.667	1/2
Miami	2	2	.500	1 1/2
Philadelphia	2	2	.500	1 1/2
Washington	1	3	.250	2 1/2
New Jersey	1	4	.200	3

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	4	1	.800	-
Atlanta	4	1	.800	-
Detroit	3	2	.600	1
Indiana	3	2	.600	1
Chicago	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Cleveland	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Charlotte	2	4	.333	2 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Dallas	4	1	.800	-
San Antonio	3	1	.750	1/2
Utah	2	2	.500	1 1/2
Houston	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Minnesota	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Orlando	0	6	.000	4 1/2
Denver	0	6	.000	4 1/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	5	0	1.000	-
Seattle	3	1	.750	1 1/2
Phoenix	3	1	.750	1 1/2
Golden State	4	2	.667	1 1/2
LA Clippers	2	4	.333	3 1/2
LA Lakers	1	3	.250	3 1/2
Sacramento	0	5	.000	5

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(NOV. 12) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	13	6	1	27	82	51
Philadelphia	11	8	0	22	71	65
Washington	10	9	0	20	61	60
New Jersey	9	8	1	19	65	60
Pittsburgh	8	7	2	18	75	65
NY Islanders	7	10	0	14	51	68

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	10	5	3	23	56	58
Montreal	10	7	2	22	61	57
Buffalo	7	6	4	18	58	50
Hartford	5	9	3	13	41	56
Quebec	3	13	3	9	49	78

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	12	6	2	26	66	45
St. Louis	12	4	1	25	62	43
Detroit	7	8	3	17	63	74
Minnesota	4	10	4	12	47	65
Toronto	2	16	1	5	49	94

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	12	4	1	25	78	50
Calgary	12	7	1	25	86	62
Vancouver	9	9	0	18	54	61
Winnipeg	7	9	2	16	58	58

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(NOV. 12) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Washington at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.

FOOTBALL

Washington at Philadelphia, 9 p.m.

HOCKEY

Winnipeg at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Quebec at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.

TENNIS

New York - $3 million Virginia Slims Championships women's tournament

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#90316u0189 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 12) UPI - China's foreign minister held two rounds of talks Sunday with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. The Chinese official reiterated Beijing position opposing the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. The official Chinese news agency says the Chinese foreign minister at the same time called for- quoting- ''solving disputes between countries through peaceful means.'' The Chinese official is to meet with Saddam Hussein Monday.

Top congressional Democrats are cautious backing President Bush's military buildup in the Persian Gulf. But the Democrats say in separate television interviews that the president is still keeping his options open, hoping that the U-N sanctions and the increase in U-S troop strength by 200-thousand will convince Iraqi President Sadam Hussein to pull out of Kuwait.

Japan has a new emperor. Akihito today proclaimed himself the country's 125th emperor in a ritualistic ceremony at the Emperial Palace in Tokyo. The 56-year-old Akihito pleged to pursue international peace and honor Japan's post-war peace constitution. Akihito, wearing a 100- thousand dollar rust-colored court robe, prayed to the Shinto sun goddess for the success of his reign on the 26-hundred-year-old Chrysanthemum Throne.

Hours before the enthronement, urban guerrillas unleased a series of fires and

missiles to protest the continuation of the imperial system in modern Japan. But police say there were NO injuries in any of the attacks at shrines, train stations and U-S and Japanese military bases.

The massive U-S military buildup in the Perisan Gulf took center stage Sunday as Americans around the country honored veterans of wars past and remembered their dead warriors. The annual Veterans Day cermonies were held throughout the weekend as Veterans Day was officially Sunday, but the legal holiday is Monday. Crowds of veterans and their families flocked to the Vietnam Veterans' Memorial in Washington for a day of ceremonies that included a wreath-laying and emotional speeches from war survivors.

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#90316u0217 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) UPI - After learning the Senate ethics committee had scheduled unusual public hearings into the conduct of five senators accused of acting improperly on behalf of a savings and loan operator, Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, made a prediction to reporters.

''You people are going to have a ball, I can guarantee that,'' Glenn, one of the so-called Keating Five, said last month.

The ball, with Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., Dennis DeConcini, D- Ariz., Glenn, John McCain, R-Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich., facing the music, starts Thursday and could last several weeks.

The trial-like proceedings before the Select Committee on Ethics promise to blossom into a public spectacle replete with several juicy political themes, including conflicting allegations of corruption and influence-peddling by elected officials and claims of innocence and indignation.

''The message here is going to come down to one of the institution's own credibility,'' said Fred Wertheimer, president of Common Cause, the public interest group that initiated the complaint against the five senators.

''I think there are larger questions involved here and they go to what the Senate sees as proper and acceptable conduct for a United States senator,'' Wertheimer added. ''Bottom line, that's what the committee's going to be ruling on in this case ... Is there a willingness to hold colleagues accountable for improper conduct when it occurs? Or does the Senate take care of its own at the expense of holding members accountable?''

The five senators are under investigation for intervening with federal regulators on behalf of thrift executive Charles Keating and his failing Lincoln Savings and Loan during the mid-1980s, when the quintet received a total of $1.3 million in contributions to their campaigns and political causes.

Meetings that the senators held with former officials of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board raise questions about whether the lawmakers violated a Senate rule prohibiting senator from contacting federal regulators outside of official channels.

The collapse of Lincoln Savings and Loan is the largest in the nation's S&L scandal and is projected to cost taxpayers more than $2 billion. The thrift was seized by federal regulators last year. Keating faces criminal charges in California stemming from accusations that he bilked investors in his thrift's bond programs.

The committee, chaired by Sen. Howell Heflin, D-Ala., says the hearings will present ''a full exposition of the facts.'' The senators will bring their own lawyers for representation and will be permitted to call witnesses for their defense. A key aspect of the hearings will be an attempt by the six members of the ethics committee to gauge the credibility and veracity of the key witnesses in the case.

The ethics committee has several options coming out of the hearings, including dropping action against any or all five of the senators, recommending reprimands or more stern steps, such as censure or expulsion, to the Senate.

In launching the joint public hearings into the conduct of all five senators, the ethics committee refused the recommendation of its own special counsel, Robert Bennett. After a nine-month probe, Bennett urged the panel to clear both Glenn and McCain, with Cranston, DeConcini and Riegle facing further proceedings.

Glenn and McCain expressed anger over the decision not to clear them, with McCain, the lone Republican among the Keating Five, accusing the committee of ''political cowardice.'' The committee, comprised of three Democrats and three Republicans, reportedly was split 3-3 on a straight party line vote on whether to exonerate Glenn and McCain. The other three senators have said they welcome the hearings as a chance to refute the charges publicly.

A final disposition of the matter is expected by the end of the year.

None of the Keating Five was up for re-election on Nov. 6. Cranston, however, announced Thursday that he is suffering from prostate cancer and will not seek election to a fifth term in 1992 and will surrender his position as the second-ranking Democrat in the Senate leadership. Despite saying he needs ''immediate treatment'' for the cancer, a spokesman for Cranston said the California Democrat will participate in the hearings.

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#90316u0242 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I brings the news.

The Pentagon says a U-S Marine battalion plans to practice an amphibious assault this week near the border between Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. Newsweek magazine reports the exercises will be staged within range of Iraqi Silkworm anti-ship missiles. A U-S official says it was planned ''intentionally'' to show Baghdad U-S military capability.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is shrugging off U-S preparations for war in the Persian Gulf. He says on British television that he's prepared to enter negotiations over the crisis if the Palestinian problem is put on the agenda. And Saddam says he's sealing off Kuwait because it is a military target for U-S-led forces in the region.

There were NO reports of violence Sunday as a bloody political campaign gave way to a peaceful election in Guatemala. Turnout was low amid a rebel call for a boycott of the elections to choose a president and congressional and municipal authorities. Only about 20 percent of registered voters had cast ballots by mid-day.

At Cape Canaveral, the countdown continues as engineers prepare the shuttle Atlantis for a sky-lighting blastoff Thursday to boost a military satellite into orbit. Sources said take-off is planned for 6:46 p-m, eastern time Thursday. But NASA will only say the shuttle is set for launch sometime between 6:30 and 10:30.

Preliminary results of an autopsy are expected today in the death of the world's first heart-liver transplant. 13-year-old Stormie Jones died yesterday at Pittsburgh Children's Hospital after suffering what doctors say might have been a heart infection. The White Settlement, Texas, teen-ager captured the hearts of Millions when she underwent the historic operation six years ago.

Japan's new emperor is the 56-year-old son of the country's wartime leader Hirohito. Akihito proclaimed himself Japan's 125th emperor today in a ritualistic ceremony at the Imperial Palace in Tokyo. The ceremony was attended by 158 foreign dignataries, including Vice President Quayle.

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#90316u0261 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - The Calgary Flames concluded a six-game road trip by earning a point in the standings and by impressing their opponent.

Joel Otto scored at 15:48 of the second period Sunday night, lifting the Flames to a 4-4 tie with the New York Rangers.

''A team at the end of a roadtrip like that either gets too tired or it comes out and really, really plays its best and goes home with a .500 record,'' Rangers Coach Roger Neilson said. ''Calgary obviously did the latter.

''They were big and strong. In the course of the game, Calgary played a really good game and we were fortunate to get a tie.''

Goaltender Mike Richter had to make 40 saves, including 19 in the second period, to preserve the Rangers' 27th point of the season, tops in the NHL.

''I was really impressed,'' Richter said. ''They really came at us. They kept their legs even in the third period. They kept skating right into overtime and it's back-to-back nights for them.''

John Ogrodnick scored two goals for the Rangers, giving him nine goals in his last seven games.

''They're a strong hockey club,'' he said. ''They have a lot of depth and they have a lot of speed. And they did play well.''

Otto punched home a rebound of a shot by Sergei Priakhin. The Rangers complained to referee Don Koharski that the net had been dislodged prior to the shot crossing the goal line.

''Well, it's the new rule that if the puck is going in, then it's a goal. It's the referee's determination,'' Calgary Coach Doug Risebrough said.

''I think our guys bounced back,'' Risebrough said. ''We didn't have the best effort last night (Saturday, in a loss to the Islanders). There was a lot of intensity from our guys.

''We played last night and this is the end of a six-game road trip for us. And we didn't have any extra bodies. We have seven guys injured.''

Elsewhere in the NHL, Boston beat Washington 5-3, Montreal edged Quebec 5-4 in overtime, Philadelphia blanked Vancouver 2-0, and Winnipeg forged a 3-3 tie with Chicago.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Bruins 5, Capitals 3

At Landover, Md., Craig Janney poked in the winning goal early in the third period to boost Boston. The victory keeps the Bruins in first place in the Adams Division with 23 points. They are 3-0-1 in their last four games and 6-1-2 in their last eight. Boston has won its last three road games.

Canadiens 5, Nordiques 4, OT

At Montreal, Sylvain Lefebvre scored his first goal of the season with 53 seconds left in overtime to help the Canadiens extend Quebec's losing streak

to 10 games. The Nordiques' last victory came Oct. 20 against the Detroit Red Wings. They are two short of the team record of 11 set last season.

Flyers 2, Canucks 0

At Philadelphia, Mike Ricci and Kjell Samuelsson scored goals and Pete Peeters stopped 31 shots to record his 21st career shutout. The Flyers, who have won five of seven, snapped a four-game home losing streak and defeated the Canucks at home for the first time since Dec. 9, 1986.

Blackhawks 3, Jets 3

At Chicago, Pat Elynuik scored the game-tying goal with less than five minutes left and goaltender Stephane Beauregard stopped 46 shots to help Winnipeg rally for the tie. After Troy Murray and Dirk Graham scored within 3:54 of the third period to give the Blackhawks a 3-2 advantage, Elynuik beat goaltender Ed Belfour with a blast from the left faceoff circle.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Vancouver	0	0	0-0
Philadelphia	1	0	1-2

First period-1, Philadelphia, Ricci 3 (Tocchet, Samuelsson), 14:22.

Penalties-LaCombe, Phi, 12:01; Linden, Van, 18:28; Chychrun, Phi, 18:28.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalites- Agnew, Van, major (fighting), 3:02; Chychrun, Phi, major (fighting) 3:02; Acton, Phi, 10-minute misconduct, 3:02; Eklund, Phi, 4:52; Sandlak, Van 9:00.

Third period-2 Philadelphia Samuelsson 4 (Mellanby), 18:02.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 7-16-8-31. Philadelphia 11-5-9-25.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 2-0. Philadelphia 1-0.

Goaltenders-Vancouver, Gamble. Philadelphia, Peeters. A-17,262.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

Quebec	2	1	1	1-5
Montreal	0	2	2	0-4

First period-1, Quebec, Broten 4 (Deblois, Velischek), 5:36. 2, Quebec, McKegney 6 (Fogarty, Cirella), pp, 9:49.

Penalties-Dufresne, Mtl, 8:06; Mtl, bench (served by Richer), 14:09.

Second period-3, Montreal, Lebeau 6 (Pederson, Lefebvre), pp, 10:49. 4, Quebec Morin 1 (Vincelette, Lafleur), 13:48. 5, Montreal, Richer 9)Schneider), pp, 19:54.

Penalties-Finn, Que, 3:58; McPhee, Mtl 3:58; Loiselle, Que, 8:57; Deblois, Que, minor-major (fighting), 12:34; Desjardins, minor-major (fighting), 12:34; Svoboda, Mtl, double minor, 16:30; Wolanin, Que, 18:24; Cirella, Que, 19:13.

Third period-6, Montreal, Savard 7 (unassisted), 3:09. 7, Quebec, Sanipass 2 (Sakic, Fogarty), 12:29. 8, Montreal, Keane 5 (Cassals, Svoboda), 14:19.

Penalty- Skrudland, Mtl, 6:54.

Overtime-9, Montreal, Lefebvre 1 (Courtnall, McPhee), 4:07.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Quebec 16-12-6-0-34. Montreal 7-9-8-3-27.

Power-play conversions-Quebec 5-1. Montreal 2-2.

Goalies-Quebec, Tugnutt. Montreal, Bergeron. A-16,896.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

Winnipeg	1	1	1	0-3
Chicago	1	0	2	0-3

First period-1, Winnipeg, Mantha 2 (Evans), sh, 9:35. 2, Chicago, Murray 3 (Presley, Yawney), pp, 18:36.

Penalties-Evans, Win, 1:13; Manson, Chi, 4:33; Murray, Chi, 5:06; Barber, Win, 8:31; Hudson, Chi, 11:27; Barber, Win, 15:06; McLlwain, Win, 16:48.

Second period-3, Winnipeg, McLlwain 6 (Arniel, Donnelly), 16:01.

Penalties-Kucera, Chi, 6:28; Evans, Win, 16:52; Murray, Chi, 16:52; Belfour, Chi, 18:01.

Third period-4, Chicago, Murray 4 (Gilbert, Graham), 4:32. 5, Chicago, Graham

5 (Larmer, Chelios), sh, 8:36. 6, Elynuik 6 (Steen, Evans), 14:24.

Penalties-Thomas, Chi, 7:35.

Overtime-No scoring.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 14-9-9-1-33. Chicago 14-14-20-1-49.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 6-0; Chicago 4-1.

Goaltenders-Winnipeg, Beauregard; Chicago, Belfour. A-17,856.

Referee-Lance Roberts.

Boston	1	2	2	-5
Washington	2	1	0	-3

First period-1, Boston, Nilan 2 (Burridge, Sweeney), 2:57. 2, Washington, Quenneville 1 (Bondra, Druce), 10:08. 3, Washington, Leach 3 (Miller, Ridley), 18:04.

Penalties-Sweeney, Bos, 6:43; Byers, Bos, 10:32; Murray, Was, 10:32; Murray, Was, 13:08; Nilan, Bos, 17:40.

Second period-4, Boston, Carpenter 7 (Hodge, Wiemer), 3:45. 5, Boston, Christian 6 (Brickley), 4:47. 6, Washington, Druce 10 (Bondra, Langway), 10:57.

Penalties-Lemelin, Bos, 3:03; Murray, Was, double minor, 3:03; Burridge, Bos, 6:53; Ruzicka, Bos, 13:03; Christian, Bos, 13:03 (misconduct); Pivonka, Was, 13:12; Carpenter, Bos, 13:19; Tippett, Wash, 13:19.

Third period-7, Boston, Janney 4 (Wiemer, Byers), 2:18. 8, Boston, Burridge 4 (Bourque), 19:40.

Penalty-May, Was, 20:00.

Shots on goal-Boston 7-10-9-26. Washington 15-6-8-29.

Power-play conversions-Boston 3-1. Washington 4-1.

Goaltenders-Boston, Lemelin. Washington, Liut. A-16,342.

Referee-Rob Shick.

Calgary	2	2	0	0-4
NY Rangers	1	3	0	0-4

First period-1, Calgary, Roberts 5 (Nieuwendyk, Suter), 8:27. 2, NY Rangers, Ogrodnick 12 (Miller, Patrick), pp, 15:27. 3, Calgary, Macoun (Sweeney, Johansson), 17:07.

Penalties-Mullen, NYR, 0:39; Suter, Cgy, 9:49; Gilmour, Cgy, 13:50; Nicholls, NYR, 14:05; Fleury, Cgy, 15:16; Otto, Cgy, 17:49; Janssens, NYR, double minor 17:49; Ranheim, Cgy, 19:17; Matteau, Cgy, 20:00.

Second period-4, NY Rangers, Ogrodnick 13 (Turcotte, Patrick), pp, 0:32. 5, NY Rangers, Leetch 6 (Patrick, Mullen), pp, 1:12. 6, Calgary, Nieuwendyk 11 (Fleury, Suter), pp, 8:35. 7, NY Rangers, Gartner 10 (Horava), 12:423. 8, Calgary, Otto 8 (Priakin, Hrdina), 15:48.

Penalties-Shaw, NYR, 5:04; Mallette, NYR, 7:52; Macoun, Cgy, 11:02; Turcotte, NYR, 12:18.

Third period-No scoring.

Penalties-King, NYR, 3:55.

Shots on goal-Calgary 13-21-9-1-44. NY Rangers 11-8-7-0-26.

Power-play conversions-Calgary 7-1. NY Rangers 6-3.

Goaltenders-Calgary, Vernon. NY Rangers, Richter. A-15,523.

Referee-Don Koharski.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

ORLANDO (81)

Scott 5-12 0-0 13, Turner 2-6 0-0 4, Kite 2-3 0-0 4, Anderson 5-11 3-5 13, Vincent 4-11 6-6 14, Skiles 0-4 0-0 0, Smith 7-16 8-11 22, Catledge 2-4 0-0 4, Ansley 3-8 1-2 7, Acres 0-0 0-2 0. Totals 30-75 18-27 81.

MINNESOTA (108)

Murphy 3-6 0-0 6, Corbin 6-15 6-6 18, Breuer 0-6 0-0 0, Campbell 12-19 0-0 24, Richardson 8-15 2-3 18, Mitchell 6-9 4-4 16, Spencer 2-2 3-6 7, Brooks 0-5 0-0 0, Coffey 1-2 0-0 2, Glass 6-10 3-3 15, West 0-1 2-2 2, Thornton 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 44-90 0-3 20-24.

Orlando	21	19	19	22-	81

Minnesota	22	23	26	37- 108

Three-point goals-Scott 3. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Orlando 20, Minnesota 22. Rebounds-Orlando 46 (Smith, Kite 6), Minnesota 58 (Spencer 9). Assists-Orlando 17 (Scott, Skiles 5), Minnesota 23 (Richardson 12). Technical fouls-None. A- 19,006.

UTAH (90) Bailey 2-9 0-0 4, K. Malone 5-15 7-10 17, Eaton 1-3 1-2 3, Griffith 11-21 1-1 24, Stockton 10-15 4-6 24, Rudd 0-4 0-0 0, Edwards 1-5 2-2 4, Toolson 1-2 0-0 3, Brown 4-10 1-2 9, Munk 0-0 2- 4 2, Palmer 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 35-87 18-27 90.

HOUSTON (110) Thorpe 5-7 2-3 12, Wood 2-5 2-2 7, Olajuwon 14-25 3-3 31, Maxwell 6-16 0-1 13, K. Smith 4-8 7-7 15, Floyd 3-9 2-2 8, Winchester 5-7 0-0 10, L. Smith 2-5 0-2 4, Woodson 0-2 0-0 0, Feitl 3-3 2-2 8, Jamerson 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 45-88 18-22 110.

Utah	25	19	27	19- 90
Houston	25	30	19	36-110

Three-point goals-Griffith, Toolson, Wood, Maxwell. Fouled out-Griffith. Total fouls-Utah 30, Houston 25. Rebounds-Utah 47 (K. Malone 14), Houston 50 (Olajuwon 21). Assists-Utah 15 (Stockton 7), Houston 28 (K. Smith 7). Technicals-Houston illegal defense, Utah illegal defense (2), Olajuwon. A-13,041.

LA CLIPPERS (107)

Norman 8-15 4-6 20, Smith 9-18 3-4 21, Benjamin 4-9 2-2 10, Grant 5-9 0-0 11, Kimble 5-13 1-2 11, Bannister 1-3 1-5 3, Vaught 4-7 0-0 8, Garrick 4-10 2-2 10, Garland 3-4 0-0 6, Martin 1-3 0-0 2, Butler 1-2 3-4 5. Totals 45-93 16-25 107.

PORTLAND (138)

Kersey 4-10 1-1 9, Williams 6-9 2-2 14, Duckworth 10-16 2-3 22, Drexler 8-13 7-8 23, Porter 6-9 4-5 17, Ainge 6-7 1-4 14, Robinson 5-7 6-8 16, Bryant 0-7 0-0 0, Young 3-6 0-0 6, Cooper 5-8 0-0 10, Petrovic 1-4 1-3 3, Abdelnaby 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 56-100 24-24 138.

LA Clippers	24	18	34	31-107
Portland	39	30	36	33-138

Three-point goals-Grant, Porter, Ainge. Fouled out-none. Team fouls-Los Angeles 25, Portland 17. Rebounds-Los Angeles 41 (Smith 14), Portland 49 (Williams 13). Assists-Los Ageles 33 (Grant 10), Portland 44 (Porter 10). A-12,884.

NEW YORK (109)

Oakley 4-6 2-2 10, Vandeweghe 9-12 4-4 22, Ewing 11-22 5-5 27, Jackson 2-6 0-0 4, G.Wilkins 5-11 4-6 14, E.Wilkins 4-7 0-0 8, Cheeks 6-12 0-0 12, Tucker 4-6 1-2 10, Quinnett 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 46-85 16-19 109.

LA LAKERS (103)

Green 1-5 3-4 5, Worthy 8-15 1-2 18, Divac 5-12 3-4 13, Johnson 6-17 12-12 24, Scott 11-20 0-0 24, Perkins 2-8 2-2 6, Thompson 3-4 1-2 7, Teagle 3-5 0-0 6, Drew 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 39-87 22-26 103.

New York	25	27	31	26-109
LA Lakers	20	31	33	19-103

Three-point goals-Scott 2, Worthy, Tucker. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-New York 20, LA Lakers 15. Rebounds-New York 35 (Ewing 14), LA Lakers 41 (Johnson 15). Assists-New York 30 (Jackson 9), LA Lakers 20 (Johnson 14). Technicals-None. A-17,342.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - The U-S steps up military activity in the Persian Gulf... Japan has a new emperor... and a busy time at Cape Canaveral. Those stories and more, next from U-P-I. .

Events in the Persian Gulf continue to move toward a use of force by the United States.

The Pentagon plans to conduct a practice amphibious assault this week near the border between Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, within range of Iraqi Silkworm anti-ship missiles.

A U-S official said the exercise was planned- in his words- ''intentionally to raise the ante to show we have the capability and we're ready to take it right to their border.''

Morocco's King Hassan yesterday called on Arab leaders to give peace ''its last chance'' and offered to hold a meeting of Arab leaders. Iraq's Saddam Hussein refused to take part in the meeting.

King Hassan said he is concerned by indications of war preparations by a U-S led military force deployed in the gulf region. Morocco has sent troops to join the anti-Iraq forces.

President Bush is reported willing to consider what he terms a ''messy compromise'' to resolve the crisis.

A senior U-S official told Newsweek magazine that under the compromise, Iraq would withdraw from Kuwait without pre-conditions, but the United States would NOT interfere if fellow Arabs later wanted to meet Iraqi demands for a Persian Gulf port or part of a Kuwaiti oilfield.

However, a Bush aide told the magazine there was NO ''sense that Saddam is wearing down, changing his mind.''

Pledging to pursue international peace, Akihito, the 56-year-old son of Japan's wartime leader Hirohito, proclaimed himself the country's 125th emperor today.

In a ritualistic ceremony dating back to two-thousand-600 years, Akihito also promised to honor Japan's postwar peace constitution. He declared his enthronement in a palace ceremony attended by 158 foreign dignataries, including Vice President Quayle.

Wearing a 100-thousand-dollar rust-colored court robe said to symbolize the hue of the sky just before dawn, Akihito prayed to the Shinto sun goddess for the success of his reign on the 26-hundred-year- old Chrysanthemum Throne.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu led 25-hundred guests in three ''long live the emperor'' cheers.

Meanwhile, urban guerrillas set fires and launched missiles to protest the continuation of the imperial system in modern Japan.

Police say leftist radicals claimed responsibility for several fires set at Shinto shrines and train stations... and for the launching of several small missiles at U-S and Japanese military bases. NO one was hurt in the attacks.

And palace officials say the attacks did NOT disrupt the enthronement ceremony held within the heavily guarded Emperial Palace grounds.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - This is a busy week at Cape Canaveral and the nearby Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, with two secret military missions planned.

Sources say that technicians are making final preparations to launch an UNmanned Titan 4 rocket tonight to carry a Pentagon satellite into orbit.

Engineers also will be maintaining watch over the space shuttle Atlantis, which is scheduled for launch on Thursday.

The countdown for the Atlantis mission began last night.

It's believed that the shuttle Atlantis also will be carrying military satellites.

This is the first time in recent history that two major military payloads are scheduled for launch in a single week.

Today is the legal observance of Veterans Day, but many Americans observed the day yesterday, when it actually occurred.

There were traditional wreath-laying ceremonies and parades, and even some protests.

In the nation's capital, crowds of veterans and their families flocked to the Vietnam Veterans' Memorial for a day of ceremonies.

A wreath-laying ceremony, followed by emotional speeches from war survivors, began the day at the memorial.

In Chicago, about 100 Vietnam veterans protested Operation Desert Shield in the Persian Gulf and asked people to remember their conflict when deciding if military action should be used against Iraq.

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#90316u0335 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - Turnout was low as voters in Guatemala flocked to the polls yesterday in a peaceful election to choose a new government.

Rebels had called for a boycott of the balloting to elect a successor to President Vinicio Cerezo, saying the elections won't resolve the economic and political problems in Guatemala.

Nearly 30 years of political violence in the country has left an estimated 100-thousand people dead and another 40-thousand kidnapped.

There were NO reports of violence on election day. But most voters appeared apathetic and skeptical after a bloody campaign in which dozens of political party activists and several elected officials were shot dead in street attacks in the weeks leading up the election.

Despite the call for a boycott, some voters walked up to 10 hours to reach the nearest polling place to cast ballots for one of 12 presidential aspirants... congressional deputies and municipal authorities in 90 percent of Guatemala's 330 townships.

The leading candidates to succeed Cerezo on January 14th represent the political center or right, and support neo-liberal economic policies. But none has proposed significant reforms to the country's UNeven distribution of

wealth.

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#90316u0424 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

TUNIS, Tunisia (NOV. 12) UPI - The PLO has given its approval to the convening of a last-ditch Arab summit to try and find a peaceful solution to the crisis in the gulf as proposed by King Hassan II of Morocco.

''From the start the PLO has pronounced itself in favor of an Arab solution likely to resolve the gulf crisis and to arrive at a global solution taking account of the interests of all,'' a Palestine Liberation Organization spokesman said in Tunis Sunday night.

''This is why the PLO approves the proposal by the Moroccan king and is convinced that the Arab nation is capable of overcoming the crisis as it has others.''

For his part former Arab League Secretary-General Chidli Klibi, a Tunisian who resigned from the post in September, said he believed the proposal by the Moroccan monarch ''is a unique chance to avoid war.''

On Sunday, King Hassan urged Arab leaders to hold an immediate ''last chance'' summit conference to head off war in the gulf. Iraq said it would attend such a meeting if it was consulted on the agenda and if the conference addressed the Palestinian question.

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#90316u0441 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - Vice President Quayle was among the 158 foreign dignitaries on hand today in Tokyo as Akihito was elevated to emperor of Japan. After a ceremony dating back 26-hundred years, Akihito read a brief proclamation officially making him the 125th emperor of Japan. .

Police say violence staged by leftist radicals opposed to the imperial system staged several attacks, but they did NOT disrupt the ceremony. Fires were set at Shinto shrines, train stations and office buildings throughout Tokyo and several small missiles were launched at U-S and Japanese military bases.

Cuba's vice president reportedly has expressed hope for improvement of relations between his nation and the United States. In a meeting with the Japanese foreign minister, Carlos Rafael asked Japan to urge Washington to take the initiative.

China's foreign minister held two rounds of talks yesterday with his Iraqi counterpart. The Chinese official re-iterated the position of the Chinese government ''opposing military invasion by one country of another.''

The federal Centers for Disease Control says the flu season is expected to begin again in December, so Americans should get their flu shots this month. Last year, the United States had its worst flu epidemic in five years.

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#90316u0535 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - Japan's Imperial Palace courtyard was transformed in exact detail as it was one-thousand years ago, as a new emperor was enthroned today. At the conclusion of an elaborate ceremony, Akihito proclaimed himself Japan's 125th emperor, and pledged to observe the nation's constitution. He expressed hopes that Japan will achieve ''peace in the international community.'' .

37-thousand police on duty in Tokyo for the ceremony had their hands full. Hours before the enthronement of Akihito, leftist radicals set fires at Shinto shrines and other locations and launched several small missiles at U-S and Japanese military bases, office buildings and vacant homes. Police clashed with two-thousand helmeted radicals demonstrating against the emperor. Six demonstrators were arrested.

Japan's Foreign Ministry says Cuban Vice President Carlos Rafael Rodriguez has expressed hope for improvement of relations between Cuba and the United States. During a meeting in Tokyo with Japan's foreign minister, Rodriguez reportedly said ''Cuba would like to see Japan use its position to urge the United States to improve relations with Cuba.''

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said yesterday on British television that he has NO choice but to seal off Kuwait, because he said it ''is now a military target'' for the U-S led forces. Saddam also said that he is prepared to enter

into negotiations if the Palestinian problem is on the agenda. Saddam has said before that he will consider withdrawing from Kuwait if the Israelis withdraw from the territories and Syria withdraws from Lebanon.

Stormie Jones, the Texas girl who underwent the world's first heart and liver transplant, died yesterday in a Pittsburgh hospital. Doctors said she suffered what might have been a rejection of her second transplanted liver. The 13-year old youngster died at the same hospital where she underwent her history-making heart-liver transplant on February 14th, 1984.

Federal health experts say now is the time to get your flu shot. The Centers for Disease Control says widespread outbreaks of flu usually do NOT start until December, so November is the best time to get flu shots. The shots usually take about two weeks to protect against the flu virus. Federal health officials say there were about 52-thousand flu-related deaths last year, about 10-thousand more than in NON-epidemic years.

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#90316u0541 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (NOV. 12) UPI - Germany and Poland will sign a border treaty this week, officials said Monday, a German concession that could boost Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki's bid for president against Lech Walesa, officials said Monday.

By signing the treaty, the Bonn government will formally recognize a border established 45 years ago and acknowledge Germany's loss of eastern territories ceded to Poland after World War II.

A spokesman said in a statement that German Foreign Minister Hans- Dietrich Genscher and his Polish counterpart, Krzysztof Skubiszewski, will sign the treaty Wednesday in Warsaw - less than one week after German Chancellor Helmut Kohl met with Mazowiecki at the border.

At the meeting Thursday in the eastern German town of Frankfurt an der Oder, Kohl agreed that the treaty settling Germany's postwar borders would be signed this month, although he had favored signing the document after Germany's Dec. 2 elections.

The concession was a major victory for Mazowiecki and could boost his bid to defeat trade union leader Lech Walesa in the Nov. 25 presidential elections.

Poland had long demanded that Germany formally recognize the Oder and Neisse rivers as its eastern border, but Kohl insisted that a border treaty could only be signed by a united German government.

The decision to sign the treaty has already brought sharp criticism from arch-conservative members of Kohl's Christian Democratic Union, particularly

the Federation of Expellees, which claims to represent the 15 million Germans and their descendents expelled from German territories ceded to Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia after Germany lost World War II.

During Thursday's meeting in the German town by the Oder river, Kohl told Mazowiecki he expected visa requirements for Poles visiting Germany to be lifted before Christmas.

But there was no indication Mazowiecki gained any significant concessions on the tricky issue of compensation for victims of the Nazi reign of terror.

Kohl said further talks would be needed on the issue.

Poland is seeking compensation for 30,000 survivors of concentration camps and for 600,000 people used as slave laborers after the Sept. 1, 1939, German invasion of Poland that set off World War II.

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#90316u0575 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

SOFIA, BULGARIA (NOV. 12) UPI - Bulgaria has long been regarded as Moscow's closest ally in Eastern Europe but a survey released Monday shows most Bulgarians would prefer a cooler relationship with their Soviet ''big brother.''

The opinion poll published in the weekly newspaper Pogled suggested more than two-thirds of Bulgarians favor greater independence from Moscow and 61 percent believe their country should withdraw from the Warsaw Pact.

Sixty percent no longer believe the Soviet Union should be the chief guarantor of their country's security, the survey said, and only 30 percent favor keeping Soviet-Bulgarian relations on their course.

Ties between Bulgaria and the Soviet Union have almost always been close, prompting comparisons to a ''big brother-little brother'' relationship.

The two countries share an alphabet and a similar language, religion and other cultural and historical ties. It was the Soviets who helped Bulgaria gain its independence in 1878 by defeating Ottoman forces that had occupied the country for nearly five centuries.

A separate poll released Monday revealed that about 20 percent of the adult population is actively involved in black market trade and 15 percent earn their living from it.

The survey published in the newspaper Demokratsiya said about 60 percent of the consumer goods bought and sold in Bulgaria are traded on the black market.

Although the prices of black market goods are sometimes several times higher than in legitimate stores, severe shortages of basic consumer goods have made black marketeering extremely profitable.

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Police said factional fighting Monday between two groups with guns and machetes killed five people in the black township of Katlehong east of Johannesburg, police said.

An unknown number of Zulus and Xhosas clashed in Katlehong's Zonkwezizwe squatter camp, Police Capt. Ida van Zweel said, noting two people were fatally shot and three hacked to death.

''This unrest started when one of the sides demanded the other take part in a rent boycott,'' van Zweel said. She said police reached the scene only after the battle ended but were patrolling the ''tense'' area in force.

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#90316u0609 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for November 9: Purchases of 494,792 shares and sales of 470,824 shares including 8,300 shares sold short.

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#90316u0612 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

OVERLAND PARK, KS (NOV. 12) UPI - Fiesta Bowl officials have decided not to move their game out of Arizona, even though an NCAA committee authorized them to do so in order to diffuse the dispute that grew out of Arizona voters

rejecting creation of a Martin Luther King Jr holiday.

The game ''has become one of this nation's top football bowl games because of the support of Arizona and its people,'' Fiesta Bowl President Larry Gunning said in a news release. ''(It) has been an Arizona tradition for 20 years. Despite the challenges we've faced, we plan to invite the best teams available to us and attempt our game in Tempe.''

About 50,000 tickets had already been sold for the New Year's Day game, said Fiesta Bowl spokesman Brent DeRaad. Also, the game serves as a centerpiece for a 60-event, monthlong festival throughout the Phoenix area.

Tuesday, Arizona voters rejected two ballot measures initiating a state holiday honoring King, the slain civil rights leader. The National Football League is threatening to move its 1993 Super Bowl from Tempe because of the failure of the propositions.

Seventh-ranked Virginia, 8-1 and projected to win its remaining games against Maryland and Virginia Tech, was invited to play in the Fiesta Bowl after the Cavaliers beat North Carolina Saturday. But Virginia Athletic Director Jim Copeland said Sunday the Cavaliers would accept an invitation from the USF&G Sugar Bowl in New Orleans, should one be formally extended Nov. 24.

Sugar Bowl Executive Director Mickey Holmes said his committee will consider ''no one else'' to play against the Southeastern Conference champion, assuring Virginia's participation.

The Fiesta Bowl initially made the request to move its event Saturday to John Swofford, chairman of the postseason football committee and director of athletics at North Carolina. The committee responded after a Sunday telephone conference call.

A contingency plan was in place to move the Fiesta Bowl to San Diego, but Swofford said the postseason committee rejected the shift, saying, ''bringing in another bowl on top of an existing bowl was not at all fair to the existing bowl.'' The Holiday Bowl will be played Dec. 29 in San Diego.

Along with Arizona, New Hampshire and Montana are the only other states that do not have a holiday in King's memory.

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LONDON (NOV. 12) UPI - Stock prices were higher at midday Monday on the London International stock exchange.

The government reported retail sales in October fell 1.1 percent from September and were down 0.4 percent from a year earlier. Traders said the data

further fueled expectations of another base rate cut before the end of the year, boosting the market to its intraday high.

One dealer said the news was bad for retailers but good in terms of lowering inflation.

Traders said stock prices remained in positive territory in the wake of a strong showing on Wall Street Friday and a weaker crude oil price.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, was up 8.8 points to 2049.4. The narrower top 30 industrial average was up 4.6 points to 1587.2.

Volume at midday was around 205.7 million shares.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Racal Electronics rose 12 cents to 96 cents after the company said it would spin off its 80 percent stake in Racal Telecom and its wholly owned Racal Chubb.

Amersham International, a health care and life science group, climbed 13 cents to $1.38 after announcing a clinical chemicals joint venture with Eastman Kodak Co.

Elsewhere, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange rallied but closed well of their highs after a wave of late profit taking.

The closely watched German Stock Index closed at 1402.24, up 20.75 points from Friday's close of 1381.49.

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#90316u0616 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

KAMPALA, UGANDA (NOV. 12) UPI - A six-man monitoring team whose task is to prevent rebels out of little east African Rwanda arrived in the country's northern neighbor Uganda, government newspaper New Vision reported Monday.

The team, led by an unnamed lieutenant colonel, met Ugandan counterparts at Kabale, 215 miles southwest of Kampala and discussed finding ways of preventing further floods of rebels, mainly deserters from the Ugandan army, from flowing into Rwanda.

An initial force of about 1,500 men stormed into the country Sep. 30, vowing to depose President Juvenal Habyarimana and drawing strong regional concern at Uganda's possible role in the invasion.

Since then Rwanda has claimed another 18,500 entered the country, but western observers say those figures are hugely exaggerated.

Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni has repeatedly denied any involvement,

despite the fact the Rwandese Patriotic Front, as the rebels called themselves was initially led by his former right-hand man, Maj. Gen Fred Rwigyema, and since Rwigyema's death by Museveni's half-brother, Salim Saleh.

Sunday, in an apparent effort to demonstrate his lack of involvement, Museveni fired all non-Ugandan members of his armed forces, thousands of whom were long-term Rwandese refugees in his country.

Increasingly tight border controls may be responsible for a reversal in rebel fortunes in the past two weeks.

At first thought to be vastly superior in experience and numbers to Rwanda's 4,000-man army, the rebels have been pushed in apparent disarray into northeastern and northwestern corners of the country and no longer control the main road from the Rwandese capital Kigali to Uganda.

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#90316u0620 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - There are signs this winter may be warmer in Minneapolis, at least concerning the Timberwolves.

Just a year ago, the Timberwolves started their first season by winning only two of their first 13 games. Sunday night, Minnesota evened its record at 3-3 with a 108-81 decision over the winless Orlando Magic.

Tony Campbell scored 24 points to lead five Timberwolves in double figures. The victory capped a decent weekend for the Timberwolves, who routed the Charlotte Hornets Friday night by a franchise-record 29 points.

Minnesota lowered its NBA-leading defensive average to 91.3 points per game and forced Orlando, 0-6, into 19 turnovers.

''Defensively we were outstanding,'' Timberwolves Coach Bill Musselman said. ''Once we started hitting and got our defense going, we started playing extremely well.''

Pooh Richardson and Tyrone Corbin each scored 18 points, while Richardson added 12 assists for Minnesota. Otis Smith led Orlando with 22 points.

Minnesota led 45-40 at halftime and broke open a close game with runs of 12-3 late in the third quarter and 18-7 to start the fourth quarter.

''We've been playing decently the first five games but we just couldn't get over the hump,'' said Orlando Coach Matt Guokas said. ''But this second half (outscored 63-41) was by far our poorest of the season.''

Minnesota was scheduled to play eight of its next 10 games on the road. Last

year it had a 5-36 record away from home.

''It's extremely hard to win on the road with an inexperienced team, especially one that's thrown together like an expansion team,'' Corbin said. ''I think we know better what it takes this year to win on the road in concentrating more and eliminating mistakes.''

In other NBA games, Houston downed Utah 110-90, Portland routed the Los Angeles Clippers 138-107 and New York defeated the Los Angleles Lakers 109-103.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Rockets 110, Jazz 90

At Houston, Akeem Olajuwon scored 31 points and collected 21 rebounds and Kenny Smith added 15 points and seven assists, leading Houston over Utah. The score was tied 75-75 with 11:04 left but the Rockets went on a 29-11 run over the final 8:04. Darrell Griffith, who scored his 12,000th career point in the game, paced the Jazz with 24 points.

Trail Blazers 138, Clippers 107

At Portland, Ore., Clyde Drexler scored 23 points and Kevin Duckworth added 22 to help 5-0 Portland remain the NBA's only undefeated team. The Trail Blazers have won 29 straight home games over the Clippers. A 19-6 spurt gave Portland a 69-42 halftime edge, and Coach Rick Adelman went to his bench down the stretch. Charles Smith led Los Angeles with 21 points.

New York 109, Lakers 103

At Inglewood, Calif., Kiki Vandeweghe scored 10 of his 22 points in the last 5:19 to spur New York. Vandeweghe's 6-foot hook shot gave the Knicks a 100-99 edge with 3:01 remaining and the Lakers never led again. New York outscored its host 11-4 in the final four minutes. Patrick Ewing led the Knicks with 27 points and 14 rebounds. The Lakers' Magic Johnson scored his first triple-double of the year with 24 points, 15 rebounds and 14 assists.

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#90316u0621 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	68	34	....
Anchorage sy	14	00	....
Asheville sy	62	32	....
Atlanta sy	68	41	....
Baltimore sy	48	28	....

Billings sy	74	47	....
Birmingham sy	72	38	....
Bismarck sy	48	25	....
Boston w	42	22	.01
Brownsville pc	80	58	....
Buffalo sn	33	25	.23
Burlington Vt. w	28	21	.07
Charleston S.C. sy	71	44	....
Charlotte sy	64	37	....
Chicago pc	43	26	....
Cincinnati sy	49	27	....
Cleveland pc	38	29	.11
Columbus Ohio sy	43	25	....
Dallas sy	78	46	....
Denver sy	70	35	....
Des Moines sy	48	33	....
Detroit pc	35	23	....
Duluth cy	30	18	....
El Paso f	72	40	....
Evansville sy	56	32	....
Fargo pc	35	23	....
Hartford w	39	21	.01
Honolulu cy	86	68	....
Houston sy	76	47	....
Indianapolis sy	48	27	....
Jackson Miss. sy	76	41	....
Jacksonville sy	78	46	....
Kansas City sy	57	38	....
Las Vegas pc	79	48	....
Little Rock sy	73	42	....
Los Angeles f	86	56	....
Louisville sy	56	31	....
Memphis sy	71	47	....
Miami Beach pc	79	63	....
Milwaukee pc	41	26	....
Minneapolis pc	40	24	.01
Nashville sy	67	37	....
New Orleans sy	75	48	....
New York sy	44	28	....
Oklahoma City sy	75	45	....
Omaha sy	55	33	....
Orlando sy	78	54	....
Philadelphia w	45	28	....
Phoenix f	89	60	....
Pittsburgh sn	37	25	.05
Portland Me. w	36	20	.04
Portland Ore. fy	60	48	....
Providence w	40	21	....

Richmond sy	58	31	....
St. Louis sy	57	37	....
Salt Lake City f	62	37	....
San Antonio sy	75	45	....
San Diego f	78	56	....
San Francisco sy	74	51	....
San Juan pc	88	73	....
Seattle pc	63	48	....
Spokane sy	63	41	....
Tampa sy	78	54	....
Washington sy	53	34	....
Wichita sy	67	36	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90316u0634 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

MEXICO CITY (NOV. 12) UPI - The government has announced an 18-percent increase in the daily minimum wage to $4.13, a slowing of the devaluation of the peso against the dollar and increases in fuel prices.

The actions, unveiled Sunday, are part of a continuing pact between labor, the private sector and the government.

Under the fifth stage of the Pact for Economic Stabilization and Growth - which will be in effect until December 1991 - the gradual devaluation of the peso against the dollar will be reduced from 80 centavos to 40 centavos a day. The current exchange rate is about 2,900 pesos to the dollar.

The minimum wage, currently $3.50 a day, will be increased Nov. 16. A revision will take place in January, although a further increase is unlikely.

At the same time, gasoline will rise 20 percent to 90 cents a gallon from 75 cents for regular, and jump 11.5 percent to $1.27 from $1.14 for unleaded.

The government also announced a 10-percent increase in the price of electricity and domestic gas, and said it would continue to subsidize beans, milk and maize.

Income tax on people earning less than four times the minimum wage would be reduced as much as 40 percent in 1991, the government said.

Labor leaders presented a study of the past eight years, noting a serious deterioration in worker purchasing power, and adding neither the government nor the private sector have been able to create the 1 million new jobs needed each year to satisfy growing demand.

Of 28 million ''economically active'' people in Mexico, 10 million are either unemployed or underemployed and receive no social benefits, the study said.

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#90316u0640 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 12) UPI - A bacterial or viral infection of the heart may have caused the death of Stormie Jones, the plucky young Texan who captured the hearts of millions when she underwent the world's first heart-liver transplant.

Stormie, 13, of White Settlement, Texas, died at Sunday 9:52 a.m. at Pittsburgh Children's Hospital, six years after the landmark heart-liver operation. Her death shocked the hospital staff and patients, who mourned the loss of a friend.

The mood at Children's Hospital was solemn as word of Stormie's death spread. "We were all very shocked," said hospital spokeswoman Sue Cardillo. "It's hard for us to know that the fight is over." Preliminary autopsy results were inconclusive Monday and final findings were not expected for several weeks, doctors said.

One of the girl's physicians, Dr. Jorge Reyes, said doctors suspect a virus or infection weakened her heart. The heart problem was unexpected and developed with unusual rapidity, he said. "Any transplant patient who is receiving immuno-suppression is susceptible to infections," Reyes said.

Stormie, who was being treated with the powerful anti-rejection drug FK-506, had felt ill for several days. She complained of fever and flu-like symptoms and physicians suspected she might be suffering a rejection episode or a flare-up of hepatitis, Reyes said.

But Reyes said he had no reason to believe the heart failure was related

specifically to the use of FK-506, emphasizing the risk of infection associated with the use of any immunosuppressive drug.

Reyes said Stormie's heart stopped beating while she was resting. The swiftness of her death shocked medical officials. "She contributed as much to us as we did to her," said Reyes, citing medical knowledge gained from the case. He said Stormie served as a role model for other young transplant patients.

The freckle-faced girl was admitted Saturday morning to All Saints Episcopal Hospital in Fort Worth, Texas, after experiencing nausea, vomiting, and dehydration. Doctors recommended that Stormie and her mother, Lois "Susie" Purcell, return to Pittsburgh for evaluation. Stormie's mother reportedly was staying with friends at an undisclosed location Monday. Funeral arrangements remained incomplete.

The child captured the hearts of people nationwide because of her persistent spunk in dealing with her health problems. She underwent the history-making heart-liver transplant Feb. 14, 1984, and underwent a second liver transplant earlier this year after hepatitis caused her first donor liver to fail.

Stormie's greatest desire was to be an "average" teenager said her best friend in her hometown, Crystal Millikan, 13. "She wished everybody would treat her normal instead of like she had an operation because she didn't like everybody asking her how she felt or if she was feeling OK," Crystal said.

Crystal said Stormie recently gave her a poster she had drawn with a bear and jack-in-the-box with the caption "Friends are friends forever." When Stormie handed over the poster, she said, "Don't forget me."

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#90316u0647 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 12) UPI - Panicky motorists lined up at gasoline stations Monday amid rumors of a shortage of gasoline, triggering massive traffic jams.

Philippine officials assured that the country has an adequate supply of gasoline but failed to stem the long lines of motorists at gasoline pumps.

Rumors of a gasoline shortage swept the capital over the weekend after the government ordered oil companies to cut by 10 percent petroleum allocation to conserve gasoline and directed pump owners to reduce operating hours.

Senator Orlando Mercado blamed the government for the panic buying.

''They started out with announcements saying there's nothing to fear, we have all the supply. Then the president announced there's going to be an inventory

of cars,'' said Mercado.

Officials Monday issued new guidelines extending operating hours and directed police to enforce orders prohibiting hoarding of gasoline.

The Philippines depends on imports for its petroleum needs, but a lack of foreign exchange because of a slack in merchandise trade and the need to service a $26 billion foreign debt was limiting Manila's ability to buy oil.

Oil prices have gone up since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2, causing political and economic problems for President Corazon Aquino, who has survived seven military rebellions.

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#90316u0712 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - There was a mix of ancient tradition and modern protests today in Tokyo. In a 26-hundred year old ceremony, Akihito was installed as Japan's 125th Emperor. Leftist radicals claimed credit for fires at Shinto shrines, train or subway stations and in office buildings hours before the ceremony. Missiles were fired at Japanese and U-S bases, but NO injuries or damage was reported. And police clashed with an estimated two thousand demonstrators, arresting at least six.

A Chinese envoy reportedly said before a meeting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today that China supports a proposed emergency Arab summit that Iraq has all but rejected. Cairo radio reports that Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen says his government is seeking a peaceful settlement Persian Gulf crisis.

A statement released by Pittsburgh Children's Hospital says ''the world has lost a treasured friend'' with the death yesterday of 13-year old Stormie Jones. The girl from Texas captured the hearts of Millions when she underwent the world's first heart-liver transplant in 1984. She died after suffering what doctors said might have been a heart infection.

The Christian Lebanese Forces militia pulled heavy arms from east Beirut to main strongholds north of the city today, preparing to dissolve its military presence in the region. The pullout of heavy arms signaled the militia's willingness to go along with a government plan to eliminate all armed militia in and around Beirut.

The first of two secret military missions is believed to be set for tonight from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station. A Titan 4 rocket believed carrying a spy satellite was scheduled to take off tonight. The countdown for the Thursday launch of the shuttle Atlantis began last night. It's believed that Atlantis will put a military satellite into orbit.

The Northeast was hit by high winds, rain and snow overnight. Gusts as high as 55 miles an hour downed trees in western Massachusetts. Block Island, Rhode island, reported gusts to 69 miles an hour. As much as four inches of snow was expected in Eastern New York.

Officials have ordered Filipinos in the eastern coastal region to prepare for the most powerful typhoon to strike the Philippines in nine years. The Manila weather bureau says super Typhoon Mike has winds as high as 175 miles an hour. Mike was expected to strike the central Philippines tomorrow and blast metropolitan Manila on Wednesday.

The African National Congress is backing a boycott of jobs and businesses in Pretoria today. The protest action by tens of thousands of people left the city's streets almost empty of black shoppers. Businesses drafted white staff into jobs held by blacks. .

South African police say factional fighting between two groups armed with firearms and machetes killed five people in a black township east of Johannesburg today.

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#90316u0717 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

ROME (NOV. 12) UPI - Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti left for New York and Washington at the head of a delegation Monday to start what is billed as a new phase in U.S.-European relations.

Italy currently holds the rotating six-month presidency of the 12- nation European Community and Andreotti was making the two-day visit in his capacity as EC president. Jacques Delors, French president of the EC Executive Commission, and Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis will join Andreotti in the talks in Washington.

The meeting between the European leaders and President Bush was scheduled for Tuesday and the talks will be followed by a dinner at the State Department hosted by Secretary of State James Baker.

Andreotti will meet U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez De Cuellar late Monday. While in New York he will also meet a delegation from the ''Order of the Sons of Italy'' and will inaugurate an ''Italian House'' at New York University.

The Washington talks were to be the first of a series of regular U.S.-EC encounters planned several months ago to guide what Italian officials called a ''new phase'' in relations between the United States and the rapidly evolving European Community.

On Tuesday Bush and Andreotti will sign a ''Transatlantic Declaration''

setting the framework for future cooperation.

Bush and the Europeans will also take the occasion to review the situation in the gulf, and discuss the prospects for achieving a successful conclusion of the Uruguayan Round of negotiations by the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

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#90316u0757 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (NOV. 12) UPI - The number of rotary rigs working in the United States fell last week but more rigs worked in the Gulf of Mexico, raising the offshore rig utilization rate above 70 percent for the first time since early June, industry monitors reported Monday.

Baker Hughes Inc. reported a total of 1,124 rotary rigs worked in the nation last week compared with 1,144 the week before and 1,045 the same week a year ago.

Eight more mobile offshore rigs went to work in the Gulf last week, boosting the utilization rate there to 70.4 percent with 150 rigs working out of a fleet of 213.

Offshore Data Services said the figures might signal a long-awaited upturn in offshore exploration for the Gulf, said Tom Marsh, drilling editor for Offshore Data.

That increase in Gulf waters also boosted worldwide offshore rig utilization to the highest level since January 1986, he said. A total of 557 rigs worked worldwide out of a total fleet of 670 for a utilization rate of 83.1 percent.

Activity was unchanged in European waters where 126 rigs were working out of a fleet of 137 for a utilization rate of 92 percent.

The utilization rate is an important indicator of offshore drilling activity because it influences the rental rates paid to rig owners by oil companies.

Other relevant rig counts included Louisiana, 164 last week, 156 the week before and 151 the same week a year ago; New Mexico, 68, 69 and 54: Oklahoma, 127, 143 and 129; Texas, 401, 398 and 321; and Canada, 153, 147 and 159.

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#90316u0792 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

WHITE SETTLEMENT, TX (NOV. 12) UPI - Saddened friends remembered Stormie Jones not as a medical pioneer but as a shy, 13-year-old girl who wanted a normal life more than anything else.

Neighbors described Stormie as a quiet, active girl who liked to spend time with friends. They say she hated the attention she had received in the six years since she became the world's first heart-liver transplant patient.

"She wished everybody would treat her normal instead of like she had an operation because she didn't like everybody asking her how she felt or if she was feeling OK," said Crystal Millikan, 13, who was Stormie's best friend.

The mood was somber in White Settlement, a Fort Worth suburb, after Stormie died Sunday at a Pittsburgh hospital. Neighbors were stunned as news of her death spread slowly through the apartment complex where she and her family lived.

Neighbor Josie Bortez said her son saw the news flash across the television and telephoned her. "He said 'Stormie's dead.' I couldn't believe it," said Bortez, who lives a few apartments from Stormie's family. "I told him it couldn't be true because Stormie wasn't sick. I had just saw her playing outside the other day."

Friends say animals were Stormie's greatest love. Stormie, who wanted to become a veterinarian, bought a pet rabbit in May and taught it tricks. Shopping was another of her hobbies and she had planned a spree for Saturday. But plans changed when Stormie complained of flu-like symptoms on Friday and asked to go to the hospital.

Teacher Fay Presswood said Stormie was feeling ill when he took lessons to the apartment on Friday. "Stormie was very philosophical and many times she said she wasn't afraid to die but Friday I got the feeling that she was scared about something," Presswood said. "She didn't say much but I got the feeling she wasn't feeling well and she was tired of being sick. I think she knew things we didn't know."

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#90316u0801 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

BONN (NOV. 12) UPI - Two days after a controversial trip to Baghdad, former German Chancellor Willy Brandt urged the international community Monday not to abandon efforts to negotiate an end to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Brandt, who returned Friday from a five-day trip to Baghdad with about 200 released hostages, said he gained the impression in two meetings with President Saddam Hussein that the Iraqi leader was interested in a non-military solution to the stalemate.

''It is not true that the Iraqi leadership is not interested in a peace order in the Middle East - the contrary is correct,'' Brandt told a news conference.

But he said time is pressing and that Saddam does not intend ''to let the gulf

conflict smoulder until there will be a breakthrough in a Middle Eastern peace order.''

The crisis was triggered Aug. 2 when Iraq invaded and later annexed Kuwait, prompting a rapid, massive troop deployment on the Iraqi border by the United States and its allies.

Brandt said he regretted Saddam's rejection of a proposed Arab summit meeting on the issue but welcomed the prospect of a new political forum in the Middle East modelled after the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

''In case a military confrontation can still be avoided, several tracks can be taken to push ahead a Middle Eastern peace order and a preceding security conference,'' Brandt said.

Brandt, honorary chairman of the Social Democratic Party and president of the Socialist International, said ''efforts for a non- military solution to the gulf crisis should not be abandoned, but should be strengthened.''

''My talks in Baghdad convinced me even more of that,'' he said.

The British and U.S. governments sharply condemned Brandt's trip, claiming that such individual intitiatives helped Saddam improve his international image.

But Brandt rejected such claims and said he never felt he was being used for propaganda purposes.

In defending his trip, Brandt said each hostage freed after being held in Iraq and Kuwait since the invasion made such efforts worthwhile.

About 140 Germans and 60 other foreign nationals returned from Baghdad with Brandt last Friday. Another 200 Germans and thousands of other foreigners are still in Iraq and Kuwait.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl's government, under growing public pressure to achieve the release of the German hostages, did not endorse Brandt's trip but welcomed the hostages he brought back.

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#90316u0806 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 12) UPI - Typhoon Mike, which would be the most powerful storm to hit the Philippines in nine years, swept closer to the islands Monday, causing flooding, closing schools and suspending some air traffic.

The so-called ''super typhoon'' was expected to strike the central Philippines

Tuesday and cause destruction, with its 150 mph winds possibly whipping up tidal waves.

Mike would be the 14th typhoon to hit the Philippines this year. The Manila weather bureau said the storm was in the Pacific Ocean 180 miles east of Samar Monday evening.

The bureau said Mike had sustained winds of 150 mph, gusting up to 175 mph. It was traveling west-northwest at 15 mph.

Weathermen said if the typhoon sticks to its present course, it will strike the coconut- and rice-producing islands of Samar, Masbate, Panay, and Mindoro in the central Philippines.

Authorities expect that on Wednesday Mike will blast the southern section of the northern island of Luzon, where metropolitan Manila and its 8 million residents are located. The capital city was placed on alert.

The U.S. military facilities in the Philippines are located in northern Luzon. Authorities issued storm warnings but the bases are not expected to be hit by Mike.

Forecasters say the typhoon will exit into the South China Sea after sweeping Manila.

Residents on Leyte island and the eastern sections of nearby Samar island were warned to batten down for possible tidal waves. Both islands front the Pacific.

The military office of civil defense said heavy rains caused flooding Monday in Cebu, the country's third largest city, 350 miles south of Manila. There were no immediate reports of damage or casualties.

Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos, chairman of the National Disaster Control Center, alerted military authorities and relief agencies for immediate action in the face of expected destruction.

Authorities suspended classes at schools in areas along the path of the typhoon. Philippine Airlines suspended flights to central Philippines Monday and said the suspension will remain in effect Tuesday. Domestic shipping services were also suspended.

Mike would be the most powerful typhoon to hit the Philippines since Irma killed 470 people in November 1981 with peak winds of 160 mph.

News reports said Mike caused considerable damage over the weekend to Palau, a group of islands 500 miles east of the southern Philippines.

The typhoon is expected to weaken slightly as it sweeps through the

mountainous central regions of the Philippines, said Ellaquim Adug, chief of Manila's weather bureau.

An average of 20 storms strike the Philippines annually. The super typhoon follows a series of natural calamities that has plagued the nation of islands in 1990, and taken a toll on President Corazon Aquino's government.

The disasters started with a drought, monsoon floods and an earthquake in July that killed more than 1,600 people and devastated wide areas of the northern Philippines.

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#90316u0807 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - A new emperor ascended to the throne today in Tokyo. In a ceremony taken from ancient traditions, Akihito proclaimed himself Japan's 125th emperor, then rode through the streets to the cheers of thousands. Akihito pledged to pursue peace and to honor Japan's postwar constitution. Vice President Quayle was among the 158 foreign dignitaries who attended the ceremony.

The Palestine Liberation Organization has given its approval to a last-ditch Arab summit to try and find a peaceful solution to the crisis in the Persian Gulf. The summit was proposed by King Hassan of Morocco. A P-L-O spokesman said in Tunis ''the Arab nation is capable of overcoming the crisis, as it has others.'' .

In an interview published in a Cairo weekly newspaper today, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said that Egypt would NOT be involved in any military strike against Baghdad. Mubarek was quoted as saying Egypt ''will NOT enter Iraq under any circumstances.'' Mubarak has dispatched more than 15-thousand Egyptian troops to Saudi Arabia to serve in the U-S-led multi-national force.

A transportation strike is paralyzing life in much of Pakistan today, presenting the new government of Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif with its first crisis. The strike was called to protest an Islamic law that says drivers must pay the equivalent of 77-hundred dollars to the families of anyone they kill in a highway accident. The strike has closed schools, government offices, banks and private businesses.

Motorists in Manila lined up at gas stations today because of rumors of a shortage of gasoline. Rumors of a gasoline shortage swept the Philippine capital during the weekend after the government issued fuel conservation orders to oil companies and pump owners. Government assurances of adequate gasoline supply failed to stop the long lines of motorists at gasoline pumps.

Last-minute contributions from film director Oliver Stone and rock musician Don Henley have enabled the Texas Theatre Society to take possession of the

theater in Dallas where Lee Harvey Oswald took refuge after killing President Kennedy. The Society announced that Henley and Stone had each given more than 10-thousand dollars to save the theatre from the wrecker's ball. Stone's film ''Born on the Fourth of July'' was filmed nearby... and Henley filmed a portion of a music video inside the theater.

A storm that dumped as much as seven inches of snow in some northern sections of New England created hazardous icy highway conditions this morning. Numerous accidents were reported as trucks and cars spun on the slick highways. High winds and low temperatures knocked out power in many areas, including western Massachusetts, Cape Cod, and Rhode Island. Two weather-related fatalities were reported in Maine during the weekend.

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#90316u0827 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Coinquote prices were unavailable Monday due to the Veteran's Day holiday.

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#90316u0876 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO (NOV. 12) UPI - President Hosni Mubarak would not send Egyptian troops to Iraq to keep the peace after a U.S.-led invasion but would send them to Kuwait after the oil-rich emirate is liberated, it was reported Monday.

In a newspaper interview published Monday, the Egyptian leader also suggested that Iraqi President Saddam Hassan's generals are not telling their leader the truth about the size of the military force confronting him.

Mubarak, a strong supporter of the U.S-led military build-up - approaching a half-million men under arms - in the Persian Gulf area since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, was reacting to a question on whether he would send Egyptian troops to maintain stability in Iraq if the United States invaded.

''We have no wish to fight Iraqi troops inside Iraq, but to enter Kuwait as a peace-keeping force (after allied action) ... we have no objection to that, because this is a natural thing,'' Mubarak told the Monday edition of Mayo, the weekly spokesman for Egypt's ruling National Democratic Party.

''I fear that Saddam has not yet realized the size of the Western troops rallied against him in the gulf and the sophistication of their weaponry ... Saddam appears to be a victim of those who surround him,'' Mubarak was quoted as saying.

Egypt is among three Arab countries that have sent troops to serve with the Western-led forces deployed to counter Iraqi aggression, with up to 20,000 troops near the Saudi-Iraqi frontier. The other two Arab countries are Syria

and Morocco.

Mubarak said he is ready to mediate between the Iraqi president and the United States and other Western countries if asked to do so, provided that Saddam announce he is ready to withdraw from Kuwait.

''I will completely forget Baghdad's insults and I will be ready to do whatever I can, secretely or publicly, whether this requires shuttling between various capitals or anything else,'' Mubarak was quoted as saying.

Mubarak said if Saddam announced his readiness to pull Iraqi troops out of Kuwait, nobody would attack him.

''Provided the withdrawal from Kuwait is completed, that will be enough ... (Saddam) has the right to ask that nobody attack him, and we hope he will (propose this) .... He should not feel shy about such a move because millions who don't want war and destruction will applaud him,'' he said.

''On the other hand, he should feel shame if he decides to withdraw from Kuwait after years of war and millions of dead and wounded,'' Mubarak said.

The Egyptian leader reiterated his appeal that Saddam consider the consequences of his actions in the emirate.

''The situation is very serious ... the entire world is against Saddam, but I believe he is not hearing all the facts, so he has no logical evaluation of the situation.

''I only see blood, destruction, starvation, tears and the collapse of everything as we know it - materially, socially, politically and economically '' the Egyptian leader warned.

The Egyptian leader also said Cairo is mediating between Syria on the one hand and Britain and the United States on the other.

London snapped ties with Damascus five years ago after accusing Syrian intelligence of plotting to bomb an Israeli airliner in London. The United States did not break relations over the incident but did remove its ambassador.

Egypt restored diplomatic ties with Syria late last year and has asked Western states such as Britain to reconsider restoring ties with Syrian President Hafez Assad. Assad's aides have indicated such a move from London, which has already restored ties with Iran, could help the fate of British hostages held captive in Lebanon.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - Icy roads, blustery winds that gusted to 60 mph and as much as 18 inches of overnight snow plagued New England Monday while skies remained fair across the nation's midsection and most of the West Coast.

Gusts up to 55 mph downed trees in western Massachusetts, and Block Island, R.I., reported gusts to 69 mph, the National Weather Service said. A high-wind warning was posted overnight in northern New Jersey and southern New York.

In Vermont, state police said a disabled tractor-trailer rig blocked Interstate 89 north near Richmond and another was across Route 7 in Charlotte. Eighteen inches of snow fell in Lowell, Vt., and 2 feet were reported outside Newport, Vt.

Highway crews trying to put sand on roads had to battle ice and blowing snow. A number of power outages were reported in Massachusetts, including parts of western Massachusetts, New Bedford, and Cape Cod.

Two Fall River men missing since Sunday in stormy Cape Cod bay were located early Monday after their disabled boat washed ashore on the Cape near Truro. They were taken to Cape Cod Hospital but their conditions were not immediately available, the Coast Guard said.

Light rain and snow falling over southern New York and parts of New Jersey and Connecticut dissipated during the early morning hours, the NWS said. A winter weather advisory was posted overnight for the western Mohawk Valley and the western Adirondacks of New York. Lake-effect snow powdered the region, which already was whitened by several inches of snow.

Eastern New Yorkers were given an early taste of winter. Snow and snow squalls blowing off Lake Ontario were expected to leave accumulations of two to four inches, with more snow possible late Monday and Tuesday.

Morning readings in the Midwest dropped to 36 in Chicago, 32 in Minneapolis and 20 in Bismarck, N.D. Skies were fair across most of the Midwest and the southern Plains, where temperatures ranged in the 40s and 50s.

On the West Coast, early morning fog crept over Portland, Ore., where the temperature fell to 44 degrees, and Los Angeles dropped to 66 under partly cloudy skies. Salt Lake City slipped to 36 under fair skies.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Nov. 12:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C

Aberdeen cy	1pm	51	10
Amsterdam cy	1pm	48	08
Ankara c	3pm	45	07
Athens pc	2pm	60	15
Auckland cy	12m	61	16
Beijing c	8pm	53	12
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin r	1pm	46	08
Bonn pc	1pm	52	11
Brussels cy	1pm	52	11
Cairo pc	2pm	71	22
Casablanca c	12n	68	20
Copenhagen c	1pm	43	06
Dakar c	12n	84	29
Dublin cy	1pm	63	17
Geneva cy	1pm	52	11
Helsinki cy	2pm	33	00
Hong Kong c	8pm	73	22
Jerusalem cy	2pm	58	14
Karachi c	5pm	88	31
Lisbon c	1pm	60	15
London cy	1pm	57	14
Madrid c	1pm	55	13
Malta r	1pm	64	17
Manila cy	8pm	78	25
Moscow pc	3pm	27	-02
Nairobi pc	3pm	76	24
Nassau pc	7am	75	24
New Delhi c	6pm	86	30
Nice c	1pm	65	18
Oslo cy	1pm	35	02
Paris cy	1pm	53	12
Pretoria c	2pm	92	33
Riyadh	3pm	89	32
Rome pc	1pm	57	13
Seoul c	9pm	53	12
Sofia c	2pm	46	08
Stockholm c	1pm	39	04
Sydney cy	10pm	66	19
Taipei c	8pm	70	21
Tokyo c	9pm	56	13
Tunis r	1pm	63	17
Vienna r	1pm	41	05
Warsaw cy	1pm	38	03

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	68	20
Caracas cy	8am	71	21

Havana pc	7am	72	22
Lima cy	7am	63	17
Mexico City c	6am	39	04
Rio de Janeiro pc	9am	77	25
Santiago c	8am	53	11

Canada

Calgary pc	27	-02
Edmonton cy	16	-09
Montreal s	35	01
Ottawa pc	34	01
Regina c	27	-03
Toronto s	40	04
Vancouver pc	58	14
Winnipeg cy	30	-01

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90316u0948 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 12) UPI - Lt. Col. Bill Chamberlain and his driver were scouting the area near their desert camp when they rolled into a village and suddenly found themselves surrounded by two dozen curious children.

The youngsters, saying ''American'' and flashing peace signs with their fingers, climbed into the vehicle and spotted a can filled with ink pens. Chamberlain said they began to point at his pockets saying, ''pens, pens.''

''We gave them a packet of ... candies that came out of C-rations. They didn't want it. They wanted pens,'' he said. ''They took every marker I had, every highlighter I had, every pencil, every crayon, everything. We had 25. They took every one of them.''

Three months after American GIs began flooding into Saudi Arabia as part of the multi-national force confronting Iraq, such intimate contacts between U.S. soldiers and Saudi civilians are still unusual.

Most soldiers are deployed where they rarely come into contact with civilians. Visits to town are infrequent, partly because U.S. military officials

understand the need to protect the Saudis' jealously guarded sense of privacy.

But despite the veils, the compound walls and the physical separation, the GIs and the civilians are beginning to get a glimpse of one another and the Americans are doing their best to avoid offending Saudi sensibilities.

Soldiers have been told to be unfailingly polite and not to sit with the soles of their shoes towards anyone's face - points of Arab etiquette - and to avoid flaunting their religion in the country, which is home to the two holiest sites in Islam.

Women soldiers on business in the cities often wear civilian clothes rather than uniforms and those off duty sometimes cover themselves with the black abayas, or shrouds, worn by Saudi women.

''The list is a mile long,'' said Marine Cpl. Charles Lavoie, 22, of Boston. ''When they're praying and they come over the loudspeakers, you can't mimic it you can't do anything like that. And there's certain words you can't say ... 'Dude.' You can't say 'dude' because it reminds them of a worm and that's like an insult.

''Alcohol, pornography, all that's out,'' he said. ''Everybody knows that.''

''We've got these scarves that come with the desert cammies (camouflage uniforms),'' said Marine Cpl. Paul Buda, 23, of Milford, Conn. ''They call them do-rags. You just throw them on your head. And you can't wear those because they might think we were immitating their headdresses.''

''The most important thing we have to watch is the difference in religion,'' said Marine Cpl. Todd Mahoney, 21, of Powers, Mich. "We wear crosses and stuff. If you're from the Catholic religion or any other religion and you have a little pendant or something, you have to make sure you keep it under your shirt.''

Women soldiers have to be aware of even more rules of social behavior. Saudi women are not allowed to drive, for example, and their clothing must cover most of their arms and legs. Special police enforce the rules in the cities.

Some military officials believe the best way to avoid any misunderstandings is to have the women in their units follow Saudi custom when they visit cities for sightseeing or window-shopping at the malls.

''I require them to wear abayas,'' said Col. Tom Bliss, the deployed wing commander of AWACS reconnaissance aircraft. ''This is not the standard thing. They tell them to dress conservatively. But I require them to wear the abayas.

''I think it solves problems,'' he said. ''It's a more conservative approach, but I think it's appropriate.''

1st Lt. Lisa Ornoski, a purchaser for the 197th Infantry, visits the city frequently on official business to buy everything from minor vehicle parts to truckloads of concrete. She takes a male driver and wears civilian clothes.

''I'm not sure they're used to seeing females walking around in uniform with guns and gas masks,'' Ornoski said. ''It just makes it a little bit easier to deal with people ... so we don't stick out like sore thumbs.''

She said the only time she was ever treated unusually was when she went to purchase truck parts.

''The security guard sitting there, he didn't really know how to react to a female coming into the store and he asked me to sit in the corner,'' Ornoski said. ''But once he realized I was there on business and to buy something, there was no problem. People are actually very helpful.''

She said she had to get used to the slow pace of business in the Arab world, where it is polite to drink tea and talk a while before settling down to negotiations.

''By the time you go to three or four establishments, you're drinking at least 10 cups of tea. You have to talk to them,'' she said. ''They want to get to know you as people, not just customers.''

Other women soldiers said their interaction with Saudi civilians, both men and women, had been positive and sometimes enthusiastic, with people often shouting greetings from passing cars.

''The contacts that I have had, they've been warm and favorable,'' said Capt. Judy Scroggins, of Dayton, Ohio. ''They look kind of shocked when they see you. When they notice you're a female they kind of do a double-take. But they seem like they're impressed and they're happy to see us in these roles.''

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(NOV. 12) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Bobbie Brooks Inc (3rd Q 9-30)	
$37,156,000	$36,038,000
$61,000 (.05)	$1,210,000 (.94)
Central Res Life (3rd Q 9-30)	
$36,342,288	$28,641,076
$1,223,428 (.30)	$1,145,502 (.28)

Consolidated Prod (4th Q 9-26)
$26,285,298 $23,869,848
$1,339,353 (.32) $1,207,001 (.29)

Elscint Ltd (3rd Q 9-30)
$40,203,000 $36,099,000
$3,581,000 (.05) $1,510,000 (.04)

Family Steak Hse Fla (3rd Q 10-3)
$11,786,500 $11,258,400
$73,400 (.01) $223,900 (.02)

HMO America (3rd Q 9-30)
$45,972,766 $36,216,860
$1,169,870 (.16) $1,491,970 (.20)

Outlet Comm (3rd Q 9-30)
$11,289,000 $22,531,000
d-$268,000 d-$2,216,000
d-Deficit.

Pubco Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$37,156,000 $36,038,000
$756,000 (.46) a-$1,469,000 (.89)
a-Dividend adjusted tor the one-for-20 reverse split of Common and Class B stock which occurred August 14, 1990.

Rally's Inc (1st Q 9-30)
$45,917,000 $35,774,000
$1,376,000 (.20) $1,143,000 (.17)

Savannah Foods (3rd Q 9-30)
$331,375,000 $289,207,000
$14,767,000 (.55) $11,004,000 (.41)

Starrett Housing (3rd Q 9-30)
$34,102,000 $28,201,000
$1,958,000 (.24) $1,928,000 (.23)

Tyson Foods Inc (4th Q 9-29)
$1,013,898,000 $894,876,000
$37,246,000 (.54) $31,571,000 (.48)

Tis Mortgage (3rd Q 9-30)
$19,490,000 $20,700,000
$1,972,000 (.24) $1,845,000 (.23)

Versar Inc (1st Q 9-30)
$14,149,000 $15,186,000
d-$313,000 $400,000 (.11)

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#90316u1014 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
DETROIT (NOV. 12) UPI - Saturn Corp. has ambitious plans to offer ten models by 1994 and build a company that it says is truly independent of parent General Motors Corp., Automotive News reported in Monday's edition.

Saturn already is looking beyond its three initial offerings and aims to add at least two vehicles in each of the next three model years, according to the trade industry publication.

The seven additional models scheduled to reach full production by 1994 include luxury-sport versions of the existing sedan and a convertible, two station wagons and a pair of two-door hatchbacks. There also are tentative plans for light trucks and a second assembly plant by the mid-1990s, Automotive News said.

"They (Saturn executives) said they wanted to give us a minivan and a small pickup, but they said they couldn't do that before 1996 because they'd need to build another plant," said a Saturn dealership official who did not want to be identified.

Special luxury versions of the twin-cam sedan (SL2) and 2+2 debut at the beginning of the 1992 model year. Those vehicles will have leather interiors, sportier exterior treatment, including new aluminum wheels and small rear spoiler, and standard anti-lock brakes. Saturn plans to build about 7,800 of the luxury-sport sedans and about 10,000 of the comparable 2+2 in the 1992 model year.

A convertible based on the current 2+2 is scheduled to debut midway in the 1992 model year, with pilot production due to begin next October and full production was slated for January 1992. Production of just under 5,000 convertibles is planned during the 1992 model year.

Automotive News said that total production at the new Saturn plant in Spring Hill, Tenn., is scheduled to reach 240,000 in the 1992 model year, up from the 99,000 targeted for this year.

Total production at the Spring Hill plant is scheduled to reach 303,000 in the 1993 model year and 360,000 in 1994 through 1996. At that point, Saturn would be forced to expand capacity - by enlarging the plant or building a second facility - if it wanted to increase output further or add models, the trade paper said.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 12) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev and Boris Yeltsin have set up two panels to decide how to divide oil, gold and other natural resources between the central government and the Russian Federation, Yeltsin said Monday.

Yeltsin, briefing deputies on his two-hour meeting with Gorbachev on Sunday, said he assured the Soviet president that he is not trying to break up the Soviet Union through his aggressive leadership of the dominant republic.

''We are for a strong union and a (new) union treaty,'' Yeltsin told members of a Russian Parliament commission that is writing a new constitution for the giant federation.

Yeltsin said that he and Gorbachev had agreed to set up two working groups, with one panel to address the division of property between the central and Russian government and the other to deal with the distribution of powers.

The meeting was the latest twist in the topsy-turvy relationship between Gorbachev and Yeltsin, which has swung in recent months between extremes of bitter rivalry and amiable partnership.

The two leaders set up a joint panel in August to develop a plan to move the country to a market economy based on Yeltsin's 500-day program, but Gorbachev later opted for a more moderate approach, prompting accusations of betrayal from Yeltsin.

Yeltsin said the meeting Sunday, also attended by Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov and Russian Vice President Ruslan Khasbulatov, featured businesslike ''low-key'' discussion.

The meeting marked the second time in a week that Gorbachev and Yeltsin sought to present a united front. The two men led a column of people Wednesday in a march across Red Square on Revolution Day.

The two groups, made up of representatives of the Soviet and Russian governments, were charged with creating a document to be the basis for an accord in which the republics would voluntarily enter a reconstituted federation.

Gorbachev wants the new ''union treaty'' to replace the 1922 agreement that formally created the Soviet Union, binding the republics together as the renamed ''Union of Sovereign Socialist Republics.''

The secession-bent Baltic republics, which declared independence earlier this year, have said they want no part of a new pact tying them to Moscow and the rest of the Soviet Union.

The establishment of two working panels appeared to be a victory for Yeltsin, who said that Russian leaders have resisted pressure from the central government to sign the union treaty first and work out details such as the distribution of property and resources later.

The Russian legislature passed a declaration of sovereignty in June, two weeks after it chose Yeltsin as the republic's effective president.

Deputies subsequently approved measures asserting Russia's control over the vast amount of natural resources on its territory, but the Soviet government ignored the defiant resolutions in selling $1 billion worth of gold to a South African company.

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#90316u1021 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 12) UPI -

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Distribution				
La Quinta Motor Inns	Q	.25	12-7	11-30
Usual				
Deluxe Corp	Q	.29	12-3	11-19
Hecla Mining Co	..	.05	12-21	11-21
North Carolina Nat Gas	Q	.33 1/2	12-14	11-30
Orion Capital	Q	.23	1-2	12-17
Span-Amer Med Sys	Q	.02	12-3	11-14

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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#90316u1029 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 12) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

HOCKEY

Detroit - Recalled center John Chabot, right wing Tom Bissett and defenseman Yves Racine from Adirondack of American Hockey League.

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#90316u1068 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (NOV. 12) UPI - Israel said Monday it would receive U.N. envoy Jean Claude Aimee, but not under the auspices of a U.N. Security Council resolution condeming Israel for the Temple Mount riots.

There was no immediate reaction from United Nations or the United States to

the compromise offer, which Israeli officials hoped would end the diplomatic row over Israel's refusal to cooperate with a U.N. delegation mandated by Resolution 672.

Foreign Minister David Levy gave details of the agreement to the Parliament's Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee, Army Radio reported. Under the compromise Israel would cooperate with Aimee as he investigated the situation of the Palestinians in the territories. No connection would be made between his visit and the U.N. resolution on the Temple Mount riots.

Levy said there was ''no decision or policy of the Israeli government to break with the United Nations or reject a dialogue with the U.N. secretary-general or his representative.''

Israeli officials said there were no conditions attached to the proposal, but expressed hope that the United States would work to remove the issue of the Temple Mount riots from the Security Council's agenda.

The Council condemned Israel's handling of the Oct. 8 riots on the Temple Mount during which at least 17 Palestinians were killed by police outside the Al Aqsa Mosque, the third holiest site in Islam.

Israel called the resolution one-sided and said a mission to investigate the circumstances of the riots and make recommendations would infringe on Israeli sovereignty over Jerusalem.

''It is obvious that Israel rejected the Security Council resolution and rejects it today as well and will not receive any envoy on the basis of that decision,'' Levy told Army Radio. ''I hope ... we will reach an understanding and an agreement (with the United States), but nothing is in the pocket yet.''

Israel's refusal to cooperate with U.N. mission has strained ties with the United States by diverting attention from the Persian Gulf crisis.

Under the compromise proposal, Aimee's visit would be a continuation of his trip last May, which followed the killing of seven Arab workers by an Israeli. Aimee has visited Israel many times and is not viewed as hostile.

Levy told the closed committee meeting that talks had been held with the United States for the last 10 days to avert a negative decision against Israel by the Security Council, Israel Radio reported.

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#90316u1072 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 12) UPI - Iraq ordered a British diplomat Monday to leave Baghdad within 10 days for using ''inappropriate language'' to demonstrators outside the British mission, prompting London to retaliate by expelling an

Iraqi diplomat, officials said.

It was the first round of diplomatic expulsions since mid-September when London and Baghdad both expelled each other's military attaches in actions linked to Britain's objections over the entry of Iraqi troops into British diplomatic territory in Kuwait.

Iraqi officials said James Tensley, the second secretary at London's mission in Baghdad, was ordered to leave within 10 days for using ''inappropriate language while talking to demonstrators.''

An official at the British Foreign Office said he did not know what Tensley said to the protestors - who he said were frequently outside the British Embassy - but believed he was probably just reiterating Britain's diplomatic position.

''We suspect he has been saying what we have been saying: that Saddam Hussein has to get out of Kuwait, that he has to follow the (U.N.) Security Council resolutions,'' he said. ''It is Tensley's job to be putting forward the case, on why Saddam Hussein's men are a bunch of crooks, that they are so callous.''

The official said Wajdi Mardan, the Iraqi second secretary, was ordered to leave Britain within 10 days.

''(Tensley's explusion) was totally unjustified,'' he said. ''In response we have decided to declare (Mardan) persona non grata.''

London had been in the forefront of the U.S.-led international opposition to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and has about 16,000 personnel in the region as part of the multinational force against Iraq.

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#90316u1080 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - International spot crude oil prices as provided by Telerate Systems Inc. at midday Monday:

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	27.45-27.55	29.30-29.40
North Sea Brent	31.90-31.95	34.55-34.65
West Texas Intermed	32.35-32.40	33.85-33.95

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices were unavailable Monday due to the Veterans Day Holiday.

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#90316u1090 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS (NOV. 12) UPI - European Community foreign ministers met Monday with their counterparts from five Arab countries in hopes of boosting pressure for the release of hostages from Iraq.

The meeting with the Mahgreb Arab states - Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Mauritania and Morocco - followed a call by King Hassan II of Morocco that Arab leaders hold an immediate summit on the Persian Gulf crisis.

''The European Community asked the foreign ministers of five friendly countries to use friendly persuasion with Iraq for the unconditional and non-negotiated release of the hostages in line with United Nations resolutions '' said Italian Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis.

Italy holds the rotating EC presidency.

Algerian Foreign Minister Sid-Ahmed Ghozali made no promises of intervention with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, but said the Mahgreb countries seek a peaceful solution to the crisis.

He said the EC-Mahgreb meeting was an informal one but that it was important the sessions become ''institutionalized.'' The EC's relations with Libya must first improve, he said.

De Michelis said the initiative by the Moroccan king was not discussed in depth but that a common position in the Arab world ''would go a long way toward resolving the gulf situation.''

Meeting separately, several EC foreign ministers also spoke of the need to reaffirm the EC's opposition to individual countries negotiating the release of hostages. Such a declaration was made at last month's EC summit in Rome.

Since the summit, former officials of several nations have met in Baghdad with Saddam Hussein and some returned home with hostages.

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#90316u1094 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

FORT WORTH, Texas (NOV. 12) UPI - Union workers will stay on the job at General Dynamics this week as their representatives attempt to reach an accord with plant management on a new contract.

The union membership rejected the latest contract offer in a vote Sunday. They

returned to work Monday at the aircraft plant under a a one-week extension approved by the membership.

The International Association of Machinists and Aerospace workers represents 10,000 members at the plant.

Pat Lane, president of the union local, said 3,898 members voted against the company's latest offer and 3,700 voted for it. Lane said he had advised workers to reject the package, as had four other negotiators on the union's seven-member bargaining team.

About 5,484 members then voted in favor of extending the current contract one week while negotiators for the union and the big St. Louis- based defense contractor continue to try to work out a new agreement. Lane said 1,149 union members voted against the extension.

Members will gather Sunday to vote on any new GD proposal that might result from talks this week. At that meeting they also could vote on whether to go out on strike. The last strike vote, taken four weeks ago, passed 3,800 to 20.

IAM members went on strike at GD for 17 days in 1984. That strike included outbreaks of violence, including some rock- and bottle-throwing and mutual harassment between picketers and workers crossing the picket line at the plant's main gate.

The company proposal the union voted on Sunday would have given workers a 5.5-percent general wage increase in the first year of the new agreement and a $1,000 bonus. Members would have gained a 3-percent pay raise in each of the last two years of the three-year pact, but no bonuses. The contract also included an immediate cost-of-living adjustment of 15 cents per hour.

Workers covered by IAM at GD currently earn an average $13.34 per hour, or $27,747 annually. Overtime and bonuses would add to that amount.

Lane said that more than any other issue, it was the lack of bonuses in the last two years of the proposed contract that caused workers to turn down the company's offer. He said most members believed that the company should have matched the bonuses rival McDonnell Douglas Corp. gave workers at its St. Louis plant.

That pact, agreed to in May, gave an estimated 12,000 workers a 5.5- percent general wage increase in its first year and 3-percent boosts in each of its last two years. It also provided a 4-percent lump sum bonus in all three years and a cost-of-living-adjustment.

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#90316u1095 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - A Chinese envoy arrived Monday in Saudi Arabia fresh from talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and was expected to brief Saudi leaders on them and on Iraq's response to a proposed emergency Arab summit on the Persian Gulf crisis, Arab radio stations said.

And in Brussels, foreign ministers of the 12-nation European Community called on Islamic and non-aligned states to use their influence to help free 3,000 Westerners in Iraqi custody, Cairo Radio reported.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, a staunch supporter of U.S. policy in the Persian Gulf, said in an interview with a Cairo weekly newspaper that Egypt would not participate in a military strike against Iraq.

''We will not enter Iraq under any circumstances,'' said Mubarak, who sent more than 15,000 troops to Saudi Arabia to join the U.S.-led multinational force deployed to counter Iraqi aggression after Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

''We have nothing to do with Iraq, but to enter Kuwait as peacekeeping forces, we have no objections whatsoever,'' he told Mayo, the weekly publication of his governing party. ''This is natural, although I hope this day will never come. I want everything to be achieved by peace.''

Many military observers have said if the multinational force tried to oust Iraqi troops from Kuwait it would also have to enter Iraq to stabilize the region.

Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, a key player in the crisis because his country has the power to veto any U.N. Security Council resolution calling for force, said Beijing seeks a peaceful settlement to the 3-month-old standoff.

Qian met Monday with Saddam and then flew to Jeddah to discuss the talks with Saudi officials, Riyadh Radio reported.

Chinese officials traveling with Qian said Saddam expressed willingness for a political settlement but did not say if he was willing to pull his troops out of Kuwait, as the forces against him demand, the radio said.

Cairo Radio quoted Qian - the first foreign minister of a permanent U.N. Security Council member to visit Baghdad since the invasion - as endorsing the proposed summit after talks Sunday with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

King Hassan of Morocco proposed Sunday that Arab leaders meet in an intensified effort to find a peaceful solution to the crisis that would counter what appear to be U.S. moves toward a military strike.

Of the 21 members of the Arab League, only the Palestine Liberation Organization, Jordan and Mauritania immediately accepted the proposal.

Iraq issued a statement suggesting the proposal was a ''cover for a Zionist-American aggression against Iraq,'' but laid out conditions under which it might participate - specifically calling for the Palestinian question to be placed on the agenda.

The PLO said it approved of the summit, saying ''from the start the PLO has pronounced itself in favor of an Arab solution to resolve the gulf crisis and to arrive at a global solution taking account of the interests of all.''

But no other Arab country yet supports the summit and regional observers said Saudi Arabia - in whose territory most of the multinational force is based - is the key. They said Saudi leaders would probably discuss it and other ideas coming out of Baghdad with Qian before making any statement.

Hassan, the Arab world's longest-serving leader, has maintained a somewhat neutral position in the crisis, assinging troops to the multinational force but keeping ties with Saddam, who he refers to as ''my brother'' although they are not related.

In another development, President Bush was reportedly willing to consider a ''messy compromise'' to resolve the crisis, triggered when Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

A senior U.S. official told the American magazine Newsweek that under the compromise, Iraq would withdraw from Kuwait without preconditions and the United Nations would not interfere if Arab nations later wanted to meet Iraqi demands for a Persian Gulf port or for part of a Kuwaiti oil field.

''There would be no reward'' for Iraq, but ''Saddam does have a face- saving way out should he choose it,'' the official said.

A Bush aide told the magazine the administration had no feeling ''that Saddam is wearing down, changing his mind.''

The Iraqi president told Independent Television News in a Sunday interview he is prepared to negotiate but only if the decades-old Israel-Palestinian problem is also resolved.

Saddam has sought Arab backing by likening his occupation of Kuwait to the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, but Western leaders reject any relationship.

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DALLAS (NOV. 12) UPI - Large doses of vitamin E apparently can reduce harmful side effects of bypass surgery in heart patients, researchers reported Monday.

A study involving 28 bypass patients found the 14 patients who took vitamin E for two weeks before their operations had significantly better heart function after the procedures than the 14 patients who took dummy pills.

The vitamins apparently prevent damage to heart muscle by destroying the toxic chemicals, called free radicals, that form when blood is cut off during the surgery, said Dr. Terrence Yau of the University of Toronto.

"Vitamin E has been demonstrated to prevent damage by consuming the free radicals and preventing them from damaging heart muscle cells," said Yau, who presented his findings to an American Heart Association meeting.

More than 350,000 Americans undergo bypass surgery each year. The surgery involves replacing arteries that supply blood to the heart because they have become narrowed by fatty buildups, causing chest pain and boosting the chances of having a heart attack.

During the surgery, the blood supply to the heart is shut off, which spurs the formation of free radicals. "We've been looking for a long time to reduce that. For people who are quite sick, that could be the difference between doing well and not doing well," Yau said in a telephone interview before his presentation.

In the study, the researchers first showed that taking 300 milligrams of a highly purified form of vitamin E each day for two weeks could double the amount of the vitamin in heart tissue. The Recommended Daily Allowance of vitamin E is ten milligrams per day for an adult male.

The researchers then gave patients either the vitamin or a phony substitute and tested their hearts after the surgery. They found the patients who took vitamin E had much better heart function.

The researchers next plan to test the benefits of vitamin E on patients who undergo bypass operations on an emergency basis, Yau said. The patients in the study had the surgery on an elective basis.

Also Monday, Dr. William Hollander and colleagues at Boston University presented further evidence to support their view that hardening of the arteries may be partly due to an immune system malfunction.

In studies of people with advanced atherosclerosis and monkeys with earlyatherosclerosis, Hollander's team found proteins produced by the immune system, known as antibodies, bound to low-density lipoprotein - the so-called bad cholesterol - so it could not easily be removed from the body.

In addition to trapping cholesterol in the arteries, the antibodies may signal other proteins into action, releasing toxins and other inflammatory substances that further damage blood vessels, the researchers said.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 12) UPI - Butter and egg prices were not reported Monday due to the Veteran's Day Holiday.

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OMAHA (NOV. 12) UPI - Livestock prices were unavailable Monday due to the Veteran's Day holiday.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak says that his 15-thousand troops in Saudi Arabia will NOT take part in any military attack on Iraq. However, the usually staunch U-S ally adds that he has NO objection to his troops entering Kuwait as so-called ''peace-keepers.''

Former German Chancellor Willy Brandt says it's his impression that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is interested in finding a NON-military solution to the Gulf stalemate. Brandt returned to Bonn from Baghdad on Friday with about 200 freed hostages.

There was considerable activity in Japan today marking the coronation of Emperor Akihito. While most of the country watched ceremonies at the Imperial Palace, leftist radicals set fires at train stations and office buildings. They also fired missiles at military bases to show opposition to the emperor.

Schools are closed and airline flights have been canceled throughout the Philippines, as the islands prepare for Typhoon Mike, the 14th to strike the nation this year. Mike is NOT just a typhoon. It carries the title of ''super typhoon,'' and forecasters say it could be the worst to hit the Philippines in nine years.

Massive traffic jams spread across Manila today when panicky motorists lined up at service stations to fill their tanks amid rumors of a gasoline shortage. Philippine officials assured the population that the country had adequate supplies, but the statement did little to cut the long gas lines.

This is going to be a busy week for military launches at Cape Canavaral. A TitanS-T, carrying a Pentagon satellite into orbit. And NASA technicians are preparing the shuttle Atlantis for a Thursday launch. It is to put a military spy satellite into space.

Doctors at Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh say a heart infection, either bacterial or viral, may have caused the death of Stormie Jones, the world's first heart-liver transplant. The 13-year-old Texan underwent the operation six years ago. She was died yesterday after being ill for several days.

Friends and neighbors in suburban Fort Worth, Texas, are remembering Stormie an an active girl who wanted everyone to treat her like a normal kid. Her best friend, Crystal Millikan, says Jones ''didn't like everybody asking her how she felt or if she was feeling O-K.''

A public opinion poll published by a weekly magazine in Sofia shows that most Bulgarians would prefer a cooler relationship with their Soviet ''big brother.'' Long regarded as the closest Soviet ally in East Europe, Bulgarians apparently are changing their minds, with the poll showing two-thirds favoring greater independence from Moscow.

The Press Trust of India says the two Burmese students who hijacked a Thai Airways jetliner to India this weekend say they would prefer to return home but would seek political asylum rather than face a firing squad. The two held more than 200 passengers and crew members hostage for more than eight hours to call attention to military repression in Burma.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) UPI - There will be plenty of turkey to put on Americans' dinner plates this holiday season but the increasingly popular bird will carry a slightly higher price tag.

Turkey consumption has skyrocketed in the past few years, rising an average of 9.9 percent a year since 1985. Government analysts credit the increase to attractive prices, the hunt for lower-fat foods and an array of products that allow shoppers to buy a convenient amount of meat.

''Today, consumers do not have to buy a 13 (pound)-25 pound turkey,'' the Agriculture Department said in an analysis.

''Rather they can buy a package of turkey breast or thigh that is about the same size as most beef or pork roasts. Also, tenderloin cuts and ground turkey allow turkey to compete directly with other fresh meats in the relatively easy and fast-to-cook meat category,'' the department said.

The shift in marketing has allowed turkey to break from a mold of being predominantly a centerpiece for holiday meals, although the winter holidays still are prime period for sales.

Despite the availability of turkey parts or processed products, ''whole birds

are estimated by industry sources to constitute 35 (percent)-40 percent of total turkey consumption,'' the government says.

It is anticipated each American will eat an average of 18.3 pounds of turkey this year, up 1.2 pounds from last year. For 1991, consumption is projected to climb to 19.2 pounds.

''Production for the year is up around 9 percent,'' the Agriculture Department said in a recent report. ''Even so, for the upcoming holiday season, retail prices may run slightly above last year.''

There may be some variation in price, the department said, depending on how heavily grocers promote turkey or put special prices on it. For the year, retail prices were estimated to average about $1 a pound.

On Oct. 1, there was a near-record 617 million pounds of turkey in cold storage. However, production was projected to trail off in the closing months of the year, which would prevent the build-up of surpluses.

Growers were estimated to produce 4.54 billion pounds of turkey this year and 4.77 billion pounds, a 5 percent increase, in 1991.

For farmers, market prices in September and October were higher than one year earlier, due in part to relatively high prices for pork and beef.

''Estimated net returns to growers during (July, August and September) exceeded year-earlier levels for the first time this year,'' the federal Economic Research Service said.

''Fourth-quarter returns, reflecting slightly lower feed costs and higher turkey prices, are expected to be substantially above break-even and the most favorable in two years. For the year, however, returns will average slightly above break-even, probably limiting 1991 production growth to about 5 percent.''

The Agriculture Department is scheduled to issue later this week a quarterly update on factors affecting meat and poultry production.

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SEABROOK, N.H. (NOV. 12) UPI - The Seabrook nuclear power plant, which was shut down for repairs to an air pressure line, will remain idle for several more days after technicians discovered an additional technical problem, a Seabrook spokesman said Monday.

The $6.6 billion plant shut down automatically at 2:41 p.m. on Friday when a leak in an air pressure line caused a valve to close, resulting in a reduction

in the flow of water to one of its four steam generators.

Rob Williams, a spokesman for Seabrook operator New Hampshire Yankee, said the problem was corrected over the weekend. But while that work was in progress, the second glitch was discovered.

''During that shutdown, we found that a valve position indicator on the pressurizer needed repair or replacement,'' Williams said. ''Technicians are now making preparations for that work.''

He said the position indicator is associated with a valve that is used to relieve pressure in the reactor cooling system.

The malfuction in the component was discovered via an indicator in the plant's control room.

Williams said he could not give a more precise indication of when Seabrook would be returned to service other than ''in the next few days.''

He said other parts of the plant are being checked as well.

''Whenever we're shut down, we take a look at other equipment to see what (other) work needs to be done.'' Williams said.

Two weeks ago, Seabrook was shut down for maintenance work to steam valves and to repair an electrical malfunction in the plant's turbine rotor. Prior to that shutdown, which began on Oct. 27, Seabrook had operated continuously at or near 100 percent power for 65 days.

Seabrook received its full-power license in March after nearly twenty years of legal delays, financial problems and anti-nuclear protests, and was placed in permanent full-power operation in August.

At full power, Seabrook generates 1,150 megawatts of power, enough to supply 1 million homes.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - World oil prices dropped more than $1 a barrel in early trading Monday as traders sold on the belief that war in the Middle East has been delayed.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate for December delivery was down $1.74 at midday to $32.15 a barrel after trading as low as $31.95 a barrel.

''The feeling is that war is not imminent and is at least a couple of months

away. The market is refocusing on fundamentals and supplies are growing and demand is weakening,'' said Nauman Barakat, vice president of Merrill Lynch Futures Inc. in New York.

''U.S. forces won't be in place for an offensive action before the end of the year and it's unlikely that there will be a war before then,'' Barakat said.

The trader said the Middle East Economic Survey also was reporting that Saudi Arabia's crude-oil output would reach 8.3 million barrels daily in November compared with 7.8 million barrels a day in October.

Prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the U.N. embargo on exports from those two nations, Saudi production had been about 5.6 million barrels daily.

In the Middle East, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, a staunch supporter of U.S. policy in the Persian Gulf, said in an interview with a Cairo weekly newspaper that Egypt would not participate in a military strike against Iraq.

''We will not enter Iraq under any circumstances,'' said Mubarak, who sent more than 15,000 troops to Saudi Arabia to join the U.S.-led multinational force deployed to counter Iraqi aggression.

''We have nothing to do with Iraq, but to enter Kuwait as peacekeeping forces, we have no objections whatsoever,'' he told Mayo, the weekly publication of his governing party. ''This is natural, although I hope this day will never come. I want everything to be achieved by peace.''

On the Merc, home heating oil for December delivery was down 3.09 cents at midday to 87.15 cents a gallon, while December unleaded gasoline had fallen 3.98 cents to 84.25 cents a gallon.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent had lost $2.65 from Friday to $31.90 a barrel by midday.

United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - was down $1.85 to $27.45 a barrel.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 12) UPI - The lead negotiator for the United Steelworkers of America says it's too early to discuss the possibility of a strike against USX Corp., and both sides remained optimistic Monday that a contract would be reached before the union's current four-year pact expires Feb. 1.

USW District 15 Director Andrew ''Lefty'' Palm said the company's proposal failed to come close to matching the industry pattern as the union had wanted.

''We're prepared to talk - but we're prepared to fight,'' said Palm, the union's chief negotiator.

Early-bird talks between the union and USX broke off after negotiators failed to reach agreement by a self-imposed deadline of Nov. 10. Details of the company's proposal would be mailed to union members Monday or Tuesday, Palm said.

He said the company offered 1982 wage levels, ignored retirees' and their spouses' insurance needs and didn't address job security or other issues related to a recent USX decision to make its United States Steel division a wholly owned subsidiary by year's end.

''The company is obviously disappointed that no agreement was reached, but remains optimistic that a competitive agreement in the interests of all concerned parties will be reached before the Feb. 1 expiration date,'' the company's chief bargainer, Thomas Sterling, said in a prepared statement.

No date was set to resume bargaining. The USW represents 18,000 workers at USX mining and steelmaking operations in seven states.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) UPI - The nation's Roman Catholic bishops Monday told President Bush it could be immoral for the United States to go to war with Iraq, warning the president to exhaust all possible peaceful solutions to the Persian Gulf crisis.

At the opening session of the four-day annual National Conference of Catholic Bishops meeting, the 300 prelates voted overwhelmingly to endorse a letter to Secretary of State James Baker sent last week by Los Angeles Bishop Roger Mahony, head of the conference's international policy committee.

But a number of bishops called for a stronger statement including a statement telling Catholic military personnel they have a right to be ''selective conscientious objectors'' to any U.S.-initiated war with Iraq.

Under the prodding of a group of peace-oriented bishops, led by Bishop Michael Kenny of Juneau, Alaska, and Archbishop Francis Hurley of Anchorage, Alaska, the bishops agreed to debate an even stronger condemnation of Bush administration policy in a closed session on Wednesday.

The bishops' policy on the crisis, which threatens to escalate into an Iraqi-U.S. war, has been based on a series of principles, including the ''clear need to resist (Iraqi) aggression.''

''We cannot permit nations to simply overwhelm others by brutal use of force '' Mahony told Baker.

But at the same time the bishops said there is an ''imperative to seek a peaceful resolution of the crisis and pursue legitimate objectives by non-violent diplomatic means.''

The bishops said that even right of self-defense and the need to repel aggression ''is restricted and governed by a series of moral principles'' and it is these principles - known as the just war theory - a number of bishops feel the United States violates by changing the emphasis of its military presence in the gulf from defensive to offensive.

Mahony's letter only suggested the administration may run afoul of the principles while others argued the policy already violates them.

In addition, bishops such as Kenny want their colleagues to make clear to Catholics serving in the military that they have the right to be ''selective conscientious objectors'' to any U.S.-initiated war with Iraq.

''We don't hesitate to tell Catholic men and women what to do about abortion ... or about condoms,'' Kenny said. ''We should not hesitate in speaking out about their use of weapons of mass destruction.''

''This is not a time to be timid,'' he said.

No bishop objected to endorsing the Mahony statement, sent to Baker last week just before Bush announced the huge build-up of U.S. troops, but several wanted the conference to go even further in opposing the present direction of administration policy.

The Mahony letter, Hurley said, ''does not go far enough'' and Archbishop John Quinn of San Francisco said the letter should just be ''a first step.''

Auxiliary Bishop Thomas Gumbleton of Detroit said it is important the bishops indicate ''we want to do even more'' than make the cautionary statement contained in the Mahony letter.

''It is very important that we do more,'' he said. ''The troops in the Middle East - 400,000 of them now - need moral guidance.''

But Cardinal Bernard Law of Boston, warning the situation was ''fluid'' and the bishops ''did not have all the facts,'' urged the conference to stick with just the Mahony letter.

But, Gumbleton said, ''If we don't have all the facts at hand, (under the Catholic doctrine of just war) we must reject war.''

Cardinal John O'Connor fo New York, often portrayed as a leader of the conservative bloc of bishops, noted, ''There are anxieties here.''

''I have some anxieties as well,'' he said, questioning the cost of the policy in the face of mounting budget deficits and widespread homelessness and hunger in the United States.

''If time can be allotted, then I would hope we could have some opportunity'' to further address the issue, O'Connor said.

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NEW DELHI (NOV. 12) UPI - A militant Hindu group said Monday it will again try to relocate a 460-year-old Moslem mosque and build a Hindu temple, a move likely to agitate a controversy that led to the downfall of a prime minister.

Ashok Singhal, the secretary-general of the Vishwa Hindu Parishad, said his group would renew the temple construction program Dec. 6 in the Hindu holy town of Ayodhya if the government of new Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar fails to recognize the desire of Hindus to build the temple.

''This time the program would continue for months together till the construction begins,'' Singhal told reporters during a news conference.

He said hundreds of thousands of Hindus from across the country would reach Ayodhya in northern Uttar Pradesh state to participate in the construction of the temple for Lord Rama, a key Hindu mythological god.

The VHP and the Hindu militant party of the Bharatiya Janata Party planned to begin building the controversial temple last month, but were thwarted by the government of V.P. Singh.

The BJP with its 86 members in the lower house of Parliament withdrew its support to the minority coalition government of Singh on Oct. 23 - hours after the party's president, L.K. Advani, was arrested.

After considerable political maneuvering Singh lost a vote of confidence in the lower house of Parliament Nov. 7. His coalition government collapsed and he resigned as prime minister. Shekhar, a dissident leader, was sworn in as new prime minister Saturday.

Advani was arrested when he failed to heed a government warning to halt his pro-temple procession to Ayodhya.

Despite the arrest of Advani and other leaders, Hindu militants pressed ahead with their plan, storming the complex surrounding the mosque. They climbed atop the domes of the mosque and planted Hindu flags and caused minor damages

to the structure.

Security personnel, however, drove them away and foiled their plan.

More than 200 people died in police firing and communal clashes between Hindus and Moslems in the dispute.

Since assuming office, Shekhar has met with Hindu leaders, but has not unveiled a new program to ease tension.

Hindu militant group claim that the mosque was built in the 16th century by Moghul Emperor Babar after destroying a Hindu temple. But Moslem groups deny the charge and asserts that no temple ever existed at the site.

The Ayodhya dispute has been smoldering since Feberuary 1986, when a court agreed to allow Hindus to worship in the mosque. The move led to widespread communal riots in northern India.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen arrived in Saudi Arabia today from Baghdad, where he met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Arab radio stations reported that Qian is to brief Saudi officials on his talks in Baghdad and the Iraqi response to a proposed emergency Arab summit on the Persian Gulf crisis.

As the Chinese official flew to Saudi Arabia, the foreign ministers of the 12-nation European Community called on the Islamic and non- aligned states to help free Western hostages in Iraq and Kuwait. The European leaders are asking the Islamic and non-aligned nations to try to use their influence to free about three-thousand people... many of whom are being used as ''human shields'' around Iraqi military installations.

The tightest security in modern Japanese history was used today to guard 158 foreign dignitaries who were among 22-hundred-23 guests watching the elevation of Akihito as the 125th emperor of Japan. Leftist radicals unhappy with the imperial system managed to set a number of fires throughout Japan but they were unable to mar the ceremonies. Akihito read his own proclamation making him emperor and then rode in an open convertible Rolls-Royce from the Imperial Palace to his residence.

Up to 18 inches of new snow fell overnight in areas of New England, and the area was swept by winds reaching 69 miles an hour in gusts. Highway crews were busy putting sand on roads to battle the ice and blowing snow and a number of power outages were reported in Massachusetts. The highest wind readings were measured at Block Island in Rhode Island.

French President Francois Mitterand has agreed to meet with a delegation of high school students as France is rocked by more mass demonstrations protesting the French education system. Five-thousand riot police have been called into duty in Paris as tens of thousands of students turn out for the second demonstration in eight days. The students are said to be unhappy with reforms of the French education system and are discontented with life in general.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev is preparing for what is expected to be a one-day working visit to Italy next Sunday. He is expected to use the time to sign a treaty of friendship and collaboration between the Soviet Union and Italy.

A transport strike grips Pakistan and caused chaos today in the southern port of Karachi, the nation's largest city and chief financial center. Bus drivers began the walkout in the nation's most populous province on November 6th to protest an Islamic law. The strike has spread to other areas and to drivers of trucks, oil tankers, taxis and rickshaws. In Karachi, many schools, colleges, government offices, banks and private businesses closed.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Banner Indus (1st Q 9-30)	
$123,194,000	$157,270,000
$20,154,000 (1.18)	$200,000
Dalfed's Ltd (Year 7-31)	
c-$20,849,781	c-$23,780,180
$269,838 (.20)	d-$310,483
d-Deficit.	
c-Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Good Guys (4th Q 9-30)	
$78,732,000	$52,112,000
$1,336,000 (.25)	$902,000 (.20)
Hutchinson Tech (4th Q 9-30)	
$35,029,000	$23,753,000
$1,314.000 (.33)	d-$360,000
d-Deficit.	
Keptel Inc (4th Q 9-30)	

$13,521,000 $11,694,000
$265,000 (.06) $590,000 (.12)

Lincoln Foodservice (3rd Q 9-30)
$10,973,000 $12,355,000
$226,000 (.07) $319,000 (.10)

Madison Gas Elec (4th Q 9-30)
$49,340,000 $47,080,000
$6,765,000 (.94) $5,938,000 (.84)

Offshore Logistics (1st Q 9-30)
$24,683,000 $22,028,000
$4,580,000 (.28) $4,171,000 (.24)

Oilgear Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$19,175,704 $15,418,960
$65,659 (.07) $60,792 (.06)

Omega Hydrocarbons (3rd Q 9-30)
c-$18,100,000 c-$14,900,000
$1,000,000 (.08) d-$500,000
d-Deficit.
c-Amounts in Canadian dollars.
Revenue Properties (3rd Q 9-30)
c-$63,065,000 c-$17,843,000
a-$18,594,000 (1.19) b-$1,362,000
a-Includes a non-recurring cost of $437,000.
b-Includes a non-recurring cost of $162,000.
c-Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Southn Calif Water (3rd Q 9-30)
$25,796,000 $24,636,000
$3,104,000 (.98) $3,148,000 (1.00)

Vista Resources (3rd Q 9-30)
$18,787,218 $15,230,006
$398,337 (.11) $376,312 (.10)

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CHICAGO (NOV. 12) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.
Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	78.30	78.85	78.17	78.65	78.30

Feb 75.25 75.62 75.17 75.42 75.17
Apr 75.45 75.72 75.32 75.50 75.42
Jun 73.20 73.55 73.17 73.35 73.37
Aug 71.60 72.10 71.60 71.72 71.75
Oct 71.95 72.15 71.90 71.90 71.95
Dec 72.75 72.75 72.65 72.70 72.65 Est. sales 12,163 contracts; Friday 18,472; open interest 68,152 off 112.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb
Nov 88.10 88.35 88.05 88.15 88.15
Jan 86.45 86.90 86.40 86.67 86.40
Mar 84.15 84.40 84.00 84.32 84.15
Apr 83.00 83.40 83.00 83.30 83.10
May 82.25 82.60 82.25 82.57 82.35
Aug 81.50 81.75 81.50 81.70 81.50
Sep 80.50 80.55 80.50 80.50 80.40 Est. sales 759 contracts; Friday 1,279; open interest 9,418 up 56.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
Dec 52.60 54.00 52.55 53.52 52.65
Feb 50.55 51.95 50.55 51.62 50.45
Apr 47.45 48.70 47.45 48.12 47.45
Jun 51.40 52.25 51.40 51.90 51.30
Jly 51.80 52.30 51.70 52.15 51.55
Aug 49.70 50.40 49.70 50.40 49.70
Oct 45.30 45.30 45.27 44.70
Dec .... 45.40 45.30 45.27 44.82 Est. sales 7,121 contracts; Friday 5,470; open interest 26,762 up 711.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 69.90 71.85 69.90 71.85 69.85
Mar 69.15 71.22 69.15 71.22 69.22
May 68.80 70.80 68.80 70.80 68.80
Jly 68.00 69.95 68.00 69.40 68.00
Aug 67.10 68.00 67.10 67.15 66.15 Est. sales 3,857 contracts; Friday 3,917; open interest 11,248 up 357.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade was not available Monday due to the Veterans Day Holiday.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 12) UPI - Mercurial former Mayor Jane M. Byrne Monday announced she will run against Mayor Richard M. Daley in February's mayoral primary.

Her announcement could set up a three-way Democratic primary fight if the black community is able to unify behind a candidate. A similar set-to in 1983 gave the late Harold Washington the opening to become the city's first black mayor.

"Instead of a leader in City Hall, we have a person who hides from responsibility, blames others such as the federal government and speaks to us in nothing more than 30-second sound bites in a carefully controlled and screened setting, as if everything is rosy," Byrne told a news conference. "Well, things are not rosy in the city of Chicago. And I am calling on Mayor Daley to come out of his rose garden."

Byrne suggested four debates before the Feb. 26 primary - on crime, health care, economic development, and education. Daley is in New York for a mayors' meeting and was not immediately available for comment.

Byrne, who entered the Democratic Party as a campaign worker for John F. Kennedy in 1960, came from far behind in the polls to defeat Mayor Michael Bilandic in 1979. That primary election turned primarily on the inability of Bilandic's streets and sanitation crews to dig the city out after a near-record blizzard.

After criticizing some of the more powerful aldermen during the campaign as an "evil cabal," Byrne then made peace with the city's power structure and, during a tumultuous term of office, raised millions of dollars for her re-election effort. That effort, however, floundered when black organizers registered thousands of new voters to push Washington to the top of a three-way primary.

During her four years in office, Byrne and her husband moved into the crime-ridden Cabrini-Green housing project to dramatize the need for better housing; took over and expanded the ChicagoFest summer festival which later evolved into Taste of Chicago; and fought a running battle with the media which at times included rambling, late-night telephone calls to offending news desks.

Her prospects for the 1991 primary are dimmed by Daley's continued high popularity with virtually every segment of the city's population and the inability of blacks to organize behind any specific citywide or countywide candidates in last week's election.

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MONEY RATES

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Money rates were unavailable Monday due to the Veterans Day Holiday.

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LONDON (NOV. 12) UPI - Stock prices finished higher Monday on the London International stock exchange.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index was up 11.3 points at 2051.9. The narrower top 30 industrial average was up 7.1 points to 1589.7.

Volume reached a moderate 379.3 million issues compared with 370.1 million shares Friday.

Elsewhere, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange rallied but closed well of their highs after a wave of late profit taking.

The closely watched German Stock Index closed at 1402.24, up 20.75 points from Friday's close of 1381.49.

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 12) UPI - The Society Corp. plans to cut up to 500 jobs from its work force of 9,100 by the middle of next year, but due to attrition, only about 100 layoffs are expected, it was reported Monday.

Henry Meyer, executive vice president of the corporation and president of Society National Bank, told Crain's Cleveland Business of the cuts in a story published Monday.

He said there have been hiring limits for the last six months.

Society, which in January purchased the financially troubled Trustcorp Inc. of Toledo, has workers in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan.

Meyer, however, said the first round of cuts will likely be limited to the bank's northern Ohio region, as well as Dayton and Columbus. There are about 6,000 workers in those areas.

Meyer said that during the second phase in the spring, Society will look at possible cuts at the Toledo bank, out-of-state banks and operation centers. He said plans for those cuts have not been completed.

Society said in April it wanted to cut expenses by about $40 million over the next two years, hoping attrition would account for the cuts.

Meyer, however, said Society found ''that attrition is not going to take care of as many positions as we had hoped.''

''We would hope that the layoffs would be 100 people or less, but I'm not going to sign in blood,'' Meyer said.

Earlier this year, the Ameritrust Corp. in Cleveland said it would cut 800 employees, accounting for 10 percent of the work force for Ohio's

fourth-largest bank holding company.

Banks elsewhere have also made cuts.

Society has 220 branches in Ohio.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (NOV. 12) UPI - An Air Force Titan 4 rocket was primed for liftoff Monday night to launch a Pentagon satellite, sources said, with the shuttle Atlantis on track for takeoff Thursday to put a second spy station in orbit.

The two rapid-fire military missions marked the first time in recent history that two major military satellites were scheduled for launch in a single week, demonstrating a growing Air Force capability to deliver high-priority national-security payloads to space.

The shuttle-class $173 million Titan 4 was believed to be scheduled for liftoff from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station shortly before 8 p.m. EST, more than a month and a half after the booster was grounded by a technical glitch Sept. 23 at the T-minus five-minute mark in the countdown.

The identity of the payload was classified, but the rocket may have been carrying a $180 million Defense Support Program early warning spacecraft built by TRW of Redondo Beach, Calif. DSP satellites are capable of detecting enemy rocket launches using large infrared telescopes.

At nearby pad 39A at the Kennedy Space Center, meanwhile, engineers pressed on with work to ready Atlantis for a sky-lighting launch Thursday night to ferry a second military satellite into orbit, one that may be used to spy on the Persian Gulf region.

The countdown began on time Sunday night - about 16 hours early because of a conflict with the Titan 4 - and while the exact launch time will not be revealed until nine minutes before engine ignition, sources said liftoff is planned for 6:46 p.m. Thursday.

Launch originally was planned for July, but Atlantis was grounded by a hydrogen fuel leak similar to at least two such leaks that sidelined the shuttle Columbia in May and September. Both ships have since been repaired and cleared for flight.

At the controls aboard Atlantis will be commander Richard Covey, 44, an Air Force colonel, and co-pilot Frank Culbertson, 41, a Navy commander. Their crewmates are Marine Col. Robert Springer, 48, Air Force Lt. Col. Carl Meade, 39, and Army Maj. Charles Gemar, 35. The astronauts were scheduled to fly to

Florida Tuesday evening for final preparations.

The mission length is classified, but sources said the 37th shuttle flight is scheduled to last three days, 23 hours and 55 minutes, resulting in a landing Nov. 19, at 3:41 p.m. PST, at Edwards Air Force Base in California's Mojave Desert.

Aviation Week & Space Technology magazine reported last month that Atlantis would be launched into an orbit carrying it 28.5 degrees to either side of the equator and that the shuttle's cargo is a photo- reconnaissance satellite that will be used to monitor conditions in the Persian Gulf region.

Other space experts have questioned that conclusion, pointing out that in such an orbit, Atlantis and its payload would pass well south of Iraq, limiting the usefulness of photo reconnaissance.

Getting the Titan 4 program up and running has been a high-priority goal for the nation's recovery from the 1986 Challenger shuttle disaster and back-to-back failures of less-powerful Titan 34D rockets in 1985 and 1986.

The Titan 4 program debuted on June 14, 1989, when a Defense Support Program satellite was reportedly launched. A second Titan 4 was successfully launched June 8 to boost what was believed to be an electronic eavesdropping satellite into space.

Martin Marietta Space Launch Systems of Denver holds contracts valued at $7.1 billion to build 41 Titan 4s with options for eight more to eliminate Pentagon reliance on NASA's space shuttle for launching heavy military payloads.

Between 1983 and 1988, the Air Force budgeted $685 million for unmanned expendable launch vehicles. Between 1988 and 1994, the figure is projected to be at least $14.1 billion with the Titan 4 the centerpiece of the buildup.

While the Air Force's military space program is expanding, military use of NASA's manned space shuttle is being phased out. Atlantis's flight represents the last fully classified Department of Defense shuttle mission currently on the books, the result of a post- Challenger decision to build a fleet of Titan 4s to give the Air Force independent access to space for high-priority payloads.

While two more military shuttle missions are planned for 1991, the payloads of both have been declassified, allowing the Air Force to do away with an expensive security program that cost $80 million a year to implement.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - There will be no foreign exchange rates report Monday. Most

banks are closed in observance of the Veterans Day holiday.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	N/A	7.77	8.41
91-day Treasury bills	7.28	7.28	7.71
182-day Treasury bills	7.40	7.40	7.57
1-year Treasury bills	7.32	7.32	7.30
3-year Treasury notes	7.74	7.74	7.80
7-year Treasury notes	8.34	8.34	7.87
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.63	8.63	7.89
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.10	9.15	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.65	9.80	9.20
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	9.80	9.01	8.91
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.01	9.11	8.85
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.47	9.47	9.09
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.45	9.45	9.07

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 12) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.65 3/4	2.66 3/4	2.63 1/2	2.65	2.65 3/4
Mar	2.80	2.81 1/4	2.78	2.80	2.80 1/2
May	2.88 1/4	2.89 1/4	2.85 1/2	2.88 1/2	2.88 3/4
Jly	2.92 1/2	2.94 1/2	2.90	2.93 3/4	2.93 3/4
Sep	2.96	2.97 1/2	2.96	2.97 1/2	2.98 3/4
Dec	3.09	3.09	3.08	3.09	3.09 1/2

Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	2.29 3/4	2.31	2.29 3/4	2.30 3/4	2.31
Mar	2.40 1/2	2.41 1/4	2.39 1/2	2.40 3/4	2.41 1/4
May	2.47	2.48	2.46 1/2	2.47 1/2	2.47 3/4
Jly	2.52 3/4	2.53 1/2	2.52	2.53 1/4	2.53 1/2
Sep	2.51 3/4	2.52 1/2	2.50 3/4	2.52 1/4	2.50 3/4
Dec	2.51	2.52 3/4	2.50 3/4	2.52 3/4	2.51 3/4
Mar	2.58 1/2	2.59	2.58 1/4	2.59	2.59 1/4

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.16 3/4	1.17 1/4	1.13 1/4	1.14 1/2	1.17 1/2
Mar	1.28	1.28 1/2	1.24 1/2	1.26 1/4	1.29
May	1.35	1.35 1/2	1.31	1.32 1/2	1.35 3/4
Jly	1.41	1.41	1.37 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.41 1/2
Sep	1.45	1.45	1.45	1.45	1.47 1/2

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	5.66 1/2	5.72 3/4	5.66	5.71 3/4	5.66 3/4
Jan	5.80	5.86 1/2	5.79 1/2	5.86 1/4	5.80 3/4
Mar	5.94	5.86 1/2	5.94	6.00 1/4	5.95 1/4
May	6.08 3/4	6.15	6.08 1/4	6.14 1/2	6.08 3/4
Jly	6.19	6.25 1/2	6.19	6.25	6.19 1/4
Aug	6.22 1/2	6.25	6.22	6.25	6.21
Sep	6.14 1/2	6.17 1/2	6.14 1/2	6.16	6.14
Nov	6.11	6.16	6.10	6.15 3/4	6.11 1/4
Jan	6.20	6.26	6.23	6.26	6.22

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	20.78	20.85	20.58	20.64	20.78
Jan	21.07	21.13	20.87	20.91	21.06
Mar	21.50	21.55	21.31	21.35	21.50
May	21.92	21.92	21.72	21.75	21.87
Jul	22.19	22.20	22.00	22.05	22.16
Aug	22.15	22.18	22.07	22.07	22.15
Sep	22.16	22.18	22.03	22.03	22.15
Oct	22.05	22.05	21.95	21.95	22.05
Dec	22.00	22.10	21.95	22.00	22.02
Jan	21.90	21.95	....	21.92	21.97

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	173.30	175.20	173.10	174.30	173.10
Jan	175.80	177.90	175.50	177.10	175.20
Mar	179.10	181.80	179.30	181.40	179.30
May	182.30	184.30	182.00	184.10	182.50
Jul	185.00	187.00	184.70	186.80	184.70
Aug	186.50	188.00	186.30	187.50	185.50
Sep	186.00	188.50	185.00	186.50	184.70
Oct	182.90	185.00	182.90	185.00	182.00
Dec	185.00	187.00	184.50	187.00	184.50

Jan 187.00 188.00 .... 187.50 185.00

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#90316u1407 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 12) UPI - China is emerging as a power broker in the Persian Gulf crisis. Foreign Minister Qian Qichen has arrived in Saudi Arabia after talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. He is supposed to brief Saudi officials on Iraq's response to a proposed emergency Arab summit on the crisis.

China's importance in all of this comes because it has the power to veto any U-N resolution that might call for the use of force by the multi-national troops drawn up against Iraq. Beijing is seeking a peaceful settlement to the crisis.

The Palestine Liberation Organization has given its blessings to a proposal from Morocco's King Hassan for yet another Arab summit to try to end the Persian Gulf crisis peacefully. Hassan admits that the summit might be a ''last chance'' effort but he says it should be called anyway.

Israel is offering a compromise under which it will co-operate with a U-N envoy's investigation of the Temple Mount violence in which at least 17 Palestinians were killed. Israel says it will receive the envoy but NOT under the auspices of a resolution that condemned Israeli actions in the rioting. The resolution also called for a commission to investigate the outbreak, but Israel rejects that idea as an infringement on its sovereignty.

Observers say a January 6th run-off is likely in the presidential election in Guatemala, where 12 candidates were seeking the office in yesterday's election. A top official in the former military government of Efrain Rios Montt took a commanding lead in the returns today. Jorge Serrano Elias was holding about 29 percent of the vote. If NO candidate receives a 50 percent majority, a run-off is set for January 6th, and the winner will take office on January 14th.

Two panels are going to be set up to decide how to divide valuable natural resources between the central Soviet government and the Russian Federation, its largest component. The decision follows a two-hour meeting yesterday between Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and federation leader Boris Yeltsin.

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#90316u1415 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) UPI - A veterans' group is preparing gift packages filled with candy, dried fruit, cookies and other snacks that can be purchased for American troops in the Persian Gulf region for the holiday season.

Help Hospitalized Veterans, a non-profit organization based in San Diego that

is organizing the project, says the goodies should arrive before Christmas.

Roger Chapin, president of the group and organizer of the G.I. Gift Pac Program, said several manufacturers of snack foods have provided items for the packages at below-wholesale prices. The holiday treats include various candies cookies, nuts, raisins, and dates.

"From the radio and television talk shows we've done so far, we have received thousands of requests to send packages to a specific loved one or friend serving in the gulf," Chapin said. "We are proud to announce that we are ready to ship the first wave of packages to the gulf - 100,000 gift packs in all - on Nov. 15," he said.

About 25,000 packages already have been shipped and the rest are to go out Thursday. They will be sent by military sealift from Port of Elizabeth, N.J. The United Service Organizations is arranging for the delivery.

Each tax-deductible package cost $15, or two for $25 and four for $50. There is a $6 mailing fee that covers expenses not otherwise associated with normal military sealift delivery, such as mailing it to a specific person. Orders can be placed by calling 703-683-5004.

Each cardboard gift package bears the message: "Merry Christmas from the folks back home. Thank you for your sacrifices to protect our American way of life." The boxes also include a greeting card and donor address card.

During the past 20 years, Help Hospitalized Veterans has supplied 11 million free arts and crafts kits to 260 Veterans Administration and military hospitals nationwide. There are currently more than 200,000 U.S. military personnel in the gulf and the number could reach 400,000 by early next year.

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MIAMI (NOV. 12) UPI - Cable News Network agreed Monday to refrain from broadcasting sensitive tapes of telephone conversations between deposed Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega and his attorneys, pending a Supreme Court ruling on the matter.

The agreement was hammered out during an emergency hearing in the chambers of U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler. The hearing was called because CNN defied a temporary injunction by Hoeveler prohibiting the network from airing any of the tapes. Noriega, who surrendered to U.S. authorities following the Dec. 20 invasion of Panama, is in federal prison awaiting trial on drug-trafficking charges.

Hoeveler had issued the temporary order so the tapes would not be broadcast until he had time to rule on a defense motion for a permanent injunction

against having the material aired.

CNN took the matter before the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta, which sided with Hoeveler on Saturday. CNN, however, chose to air some of the tapes over the weekend, putting the network in contempt. CNN lawyer Terry Bienstock said the network was filing an appeal with the U.S. Supreme Court to have Hoeveler's temporary injunction lifted.

At the emergency hearing Hoeveler agreed to delay contempt proceedings provided that CNN stopped airing the tapes at least until the Supreme Court's ruling. He also issued a stay on a previous order to have CNN turn the tapes over to a federal magistrate for review.

"The judge has agreed to enter a stay of the contempt proceedings, to enter a stay of requiring CNN to produce any documents or tapes concerning the pending issues, and to let the Supreme Court of the United States resolve the issue as it stands," Bienstock said.

Jon May, a member of Noriega's defense team, said he was satisfied with the outcome of the emergency hearing. "I'm not here to squeeze blood out of CNN. I don't have to have CNN fined millions and millions of dollars for continuously being in contempt at this point. That's not my interest," he said. "My interest here is stopping CNN from disseminating the conversations, pending review by the Supreme Court, and that's what we've done."

Noriega's lawyers have recommended that CNN be fined $300,000 for each time the tapes in question are broadcast. Bienstock said at a hearing last week that the network had at least seven tapes of Noriega's telephone conversations.

Noriega has telephone access at the Metropolitan Correctional Center. He signed a waiver at the prison that allows MCC to monitor his phone conversations.

His lawyers said the waiver does not include conversations they have with the deposed general and said they will be seeking to have the charges dismissed because the tapes violate Noriega's constitutional rights to lawyer-client confidentiality and to a fair trial. The government has denied that any of the calls taped included conversations between the general and his attorneys.

Bienstock has refused to divulge the nature and source of the tapes, but lead defense attorney Frank Rubino said the tapes were acquired from MCC by the State Department, who gave copies to the Guillermo Endara government in Panama. He said a CNN reporter in Panama got the tapes from a high-ranking government official.

Indictments returned against Noriega in Miami and Tampa in 1988 charge him with marijuana smuggling and providing a drug-trafficking and money laundering sanctuary for South American drug smugglers. If convicted in the Miami

indictment, which also named 15 other defendants, Noriega would face a maximum penalty of 145 years in prison and a $1.1 million fine.

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#90316u1447 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 12) UPI - The head of the Gulf Cooperation Council predicted Monday that a political settlement to the Persian Gulf crisis was unlikely and only war would force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

''We're almost to the last chapter in the political field,'' GCC General Secretary Abdullah Bishara, a Kuwaiti, told reporters at a news conference. ''We are almost into the last chapter for the settlement of this problem by confrontation.''

Asked if he believed war was inevitable, Bishara replied, ''Yes, I think so.'' The only thing that might make Iraqi President Saddam Hussein withdraw his troops from Kuwait, he said, was the ''realization that war is imminent.''

''They will never withdraw through the goodwill of anybody,'' Bishara said. ''They will never withdraw through diplomatic niceties and the pleasantries of conversationalists. They will withdraw when they realize that there is a sword of Damocles at their neck.''

The GCC chief said his organization, which groups Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain and Oman, was unified in demanding the total withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

''We are not going to entertain any suggestion as to a reward to the aggressor to the Iraqis, or a partial settlement, a partial arrangement or an interim arrangement,'' Bishara said.

''We said that the Iraqis came complete and total and that they should withdraw complete and total,'' he said. ''They way they came was treacherous and brutal, and they should go swift and speedy.''

Despite recent calls for an Arab summit to address the crisis, Bishara said the GCC did not believe the conflict could be resolved by the Arab world.

''We have not much faith in what is called the Arab solution. I myself have no faith at all,'' he said. ''I feel that it's a prescription for prolonging the Iraqi tactic and for gaining time.''

He said the Arab world was split over the conflict and that previous summits had only left the Arab countries paralyzed. Bishara singled out Jordanian King Hussein, saying his appeals for an Arab solution were only a ''prescription for Kuwaiti concessions to please the Iraqis.''

The general secretary said the GCC's policy was to maintain a multi- national coalition supporting the U.N. resolutions on the crisis and to build an international consensus for the use of force.

''In the Gulf Cooperation Council, we feel that diplomacy does not make an inroad, cannot be reliable, unless it is based on force and the power of force '' Bishara said. ''Those who want to employ diplomacy to relieve Kuwait alone and in isolation from the logic of force are indulging, I would say, in wishful thinking.''

He acknowledged that Kuwaitis, in a bid to appease Iraq, had not mobilized their forces to confront the Iraqi threat on their border and were unprepared and unable to resist the invasion. But he said his countrymen were willing to do what was necessary to win back the tiny state.

''Kuwait at any cost, that is our policy,'' Bishara said. ''We know that Kuwait is going to be ruined, but it's better to have a liberated but destroyed Kuwait than an undestroyed but occupied Kuwait.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Gold futures closed Monday 250 to 410 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	....	....	....	382.30	384.80
Dec	383.30	384.50	381.60	383.30	386.30
Feb	386.50	388.20	385.50	387.00	390.10
Apr	390.00	391.30	388.90	390.40	393.60
Jun	393.00	394.50	393.00	394.20	397.50
Aug	398.00	398.00	397.00	397.70	401.10
Oct	....	....	....	401.50	405.00
Dec	....	....	....	405.20	408.80
Feb	....	....	....	409.40	413.20
Apr	....	....	....	413.30	417.20
Jun	....	....	....	417.60	421.60
Aug	....	....	....	422.20	426.30

Open interest: 112,188 off 2,204.

Estimated sales: 25,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold

London	
Previous close fix	385.00 off 1.00
Morning fixing	381.90 off 3.10
Afternoon fixing	380.70 off 4.30
Close	382.00 off 3.00
Paris	386.84 off 2.99
Zurich	381.50 off 4.50
Hong Kong	382.95 off 1.80
New York	
Comex spot close	382.30 off 2.50
Republic cash	381.75 off 3.25
Handy and Harman	380.70 off 5.00

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 382.00 off 5.01 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 401.10 off 5.26 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.205 off 0.022
Republic cash	4.200 off 0.040

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.20 per fine ounce off 0.025

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.215 off 0.020 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.510 off 0.021

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 410.00 off 7.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 510.00 off 7.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 93.50 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 108.50 off 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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DES PLAINES, Ill. (NOV. 12) UPI - Hughes Aircraft Co. said Monday it will close its optical products plant in suburban Chicago by the end of 1991.

The Des Plaines plant employs 150 people and is involved in the production of precision optical components - many of which have defense applications.

Hughes said high operating costs are forcing the closure. The company plans to transfer the manufacturing processes and equipment to other Hughes operations.

Los Angeles-based Hughes is a subsidiary of GM Hughes Electronics Corp. -

itself a division of General Motors Corp.

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#90316u1484 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - The dollar ended mostly lower in an extremely thin New York foreign exchange market Monday as most institutions closed for the Veteran's Day holiday and Japan shut down as well for its emperor's coronation.

Currency traders said there was no significant news to move the market - but the lack of hostile developments over the weekend in the Persian Gulf despite rising tensions late last week eroded support for the dollar.

''The dollar traded off a little bit,'' said a New York bank trader. She cited ''sentiment that there was no flareup in the Middle East, which was what people were afraid of last week'' when the dollar scored gains.

With uneasy peace obtaining in the Gulf and any U.S. offensive unlikely to be staged until early next year by most analyses, currency players saw it as safe to reestablish short positions to sell the dollar.

Only the British pound sterling failed to gain on the dollar. Sterling lately has been troubled by Conservative Party challenges to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. News Monday of falling retail sales also hurt.

When New York trading tapered off around midday, the dollar was being quoted at 1.4770 German marks, off from 1.4870 Friday, and at 128.50 Japanese yen, off from 129.60 late last week.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2460 Swiss francs, off from 1.2495; 4.9690 French francs, off from 4.9930; and 1,114.50 Italian lire, down from 1,118.

The British pound was unchanged at $1.9655.

In Europe, the dollar mostly declined as expectations of lower U.S. interest rates weakened demand for the U.S. currency.

Analysts said the Federal Reserve's open market committee, which sets policy on interest rates, was expected to decide on further rate cuts in its Tuesday session and take action on that decision soon.

''We are looking for the Federal funds rate to be cut a quarter point and the U.S. discount rate to be cut by at least a half a point,'' said David Smith, an analyst at Williams de Broe Ltd.

''With U.S. interest rates being cut at the same time Germany is lifting its rates and Japan's rates edging up, the dollar's significant weakness will continue for at least the next two or three months,'' he said.

In London, however, the pound lost ground at the close against the dollar, at $1.9630 vs. $1.9670 late last week.

The pound was hurt by a drop in retail sales from September to October of 1.1 percent and a leadership challenge to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, dealers said.

In Frankfurt, the dollar closed lower at 1.4813 German marks against 1.4895 Friday. In Zurich, the dollar closed unchanged at 1.2505 Swiss francs.

The dollar closed lower in Paris, Brussels and Milan at 4.9750 French francs vs. 5.0105; 30.50 Belgian francs vs. 30.65; and 1,113.95 lire vs. 1,122.

Currency markets were closed in Tokyo for a Japanese national holiday marking the enthronement of Emperor Akihito. Japanese markets were scheduled to reopen Tuesday. The dollar closed at 130.50 Japanese yen Friday.

In Zurich, gold closed lower at $381.50 an ounce vs. $386 Friday. In London, gold was also lower, closing at $382 an ounce from $385.

Silver closed lower in Zurich at $4.20 an ounce from $4.25 an ounce, but was unchanged in London at $4.25 an ounce.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $381.75 an ounce, down from $385 Friday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $382.30 an ounce, off from $384.80.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.20 an ounce, off from $4.24. Comex silver finished trading at $4.205 an ounce, also down from $4.237.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - The Orange Bowl, attempting to set up another Notre Dame-Colorado matchup for the national title, has committed itself to inviting the top-ranked Fighting Irish regardless of the outcome of their final two games.

Bowl officials confirmed Sunday night that Notre Dame would be extended an invitation to play in the New Year's Night game in Miami, and the Fighting Irish were expected to accept.

''We expect to submit a proposal to Notre Dame,'' Orange Bowl President Arthur Hertz said. ''We think it will be a national championship game. We expect Colorado to be able to win its last game, and Notre Dame could too.''

No. 2 Colorado, 9-1-1, has only 5-5 Kansas State remaining on its schedule.

The Buffaloes would be expected to move into the top spot if Notre Dame, 8-1, stumbles in its final two games against No. 14 Penn State and No. 19 Southern Cal.

''This does set up the possibility of having the No. 1 and No. 2 teams meet on Jan. 1,'' Notre Dame Athletic Director Dick Rosenthal told the Miami Herald. ''Even if we should happen to stumble, Colorado still would afford us te probability of playing the No. 1 team.''

The invitation came over the objections of University of Miami officials. The Hurricanes are ranked third and still have an outside chance at the national title, but instead will play in the Cotton Bowl.

''We expect to receive a bid from the Cotton Bowl, and if we do, we will accept it,'' Jankovich said.

''This would have been a perfect year for the Cotton Bowl, Orange Bowl, CBS, NBC, Notre Dame and Miami to get together and wait until the end of the season so the highest-ranked team could meet Colorado.''

Hertz agreed with Jankovich that it would have been better to wait, but that is almost always impossible.

''That really would be the best of all possibile worlds, but I don't know if it could happen,'' Hertz said. ''This is such a competitive business. Everybody is after the same teams. It forces everybody to move early.''

Miami probably will take on No. 6 Texas in the Cotton Bowl, though the Longhorns still have to play No. 20 Texas A&M and unranked TCU.

The Sugar Bowl wound up the winner in the bidding for No. 7 Virginia. The Cavaliers will play New Year's Night against the Southeastern Conference champion, expected to be either Tennessee or Mississippi.

Sugar Bowl Executive Director Mickey Holmes said his committee will consider ''no one else'' to play against the Southeastern Conference champion, assuring Virginia's participation.

The Fiesta Bowl has been surrounded by controversy since Arizona voters last week rejected two ballot measures creating a state holiday honoring slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. However, Copeland said the decision was based on other factors.

''It's one of the traditional bowls, a very prestigious bowl, and the payout is very good,'' Copeland said. ''In addition, it is very accessible to our people. We have a large alumni contingent in the Southeast, and a large number of alumni in New Orleans area.''

The Fiesta Bowl was left scrambling to find ranked participants not already committed to other bowls. Leading candidates include the SEC and SWC runners-up.

The Blockbuster Bowl has lured No. 10 Florida State and Penn State for its debut at Joe Robbie Stadium in Miami.

With Blockbuster Entertainment as a title sponsor, the bowl was able to offer each team $1.6 million, the sixth-largest payment to each team. That lured Florida State and Penn State, both 7-2, though the game will be played Dec. 28 and there are New Year's Day bowls still available.

In addition, No. 9 Nebraska will accept an invitation to the Citrus Bowl to face the Atlantic Coast Conference champion. Georgia Tech can win the title Saturday with a victory over Wake Forest.

No. 15 Clemson is set for the Hall of Fame Bowl and is expected to face No. 24 Illinois.

In addition, No. 12 Iowa, No. 16 Michigan and No. 18 Ohio State are considering a plan that, in addition to the Big Ten's automatic Rose Bowl berth, would send the second best team of that group to the Gator Bowl against an SEC representative and the other to the Holiday Bowl for an expected matchup against Brigham Young.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $6 a ton higher to $10 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.60 cent lower to 0.15 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.15 to 0.80 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.12 to 0.73 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.50 to $4.10 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $1 to $1.30 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.20 to 1.40 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 3.20 to 4.40 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce

contract. On the CBOT 0.40 to 0.50 cents lower for a 1, 000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - Unchanged to 0.004 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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(NOV. 12) UPI - The 35-year-old son of Beirut hostage Joseph Cicippio has died of an apparent heart attack in Lansdale, Pennsylvania... the third family member to die since the American was seized on September 12th, 1986. North Penn Hospital officials in Lansdale say Joseph Cicippio Junior was admitted to the emergency room yesterday and died a short time later. The hostage Cicippio's 73-year-old sister and her husband also have died during his captivity.

Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen is in Saudi Arabia, briefing officials there on his talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. One report quotes aides to the Chinese official as saying that Saddam expressed a willingness for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis... but did NOT say if he is willing to withdraw from Kuwait.

European Community foreign ministers are meeting with their counterparts from five Arab countries. The European officials at the meeting in Brussels, Belgium, are trying to increase pressure for the release of the remaining Western hostages in Iraq and Kuwait.

The head of the Gulf Co-operation Council says a political solution is NOT likely in the Persian Gulf and only war will be able to dislodge Iraq from Kuwait. A Kuwaiti, the council leader says- quoting now- ''We're almost to the last chapter in the political field.''

The White House says President Bush will meet with congressional leaders of both parties on Wednesday to discuss his troop build-up in the Persian Gulf. Several Democratic leaders have criticized Bush recently, saying he is putting the nation on the road to war.

The French education minister bowed to pressure from 100-thousand demonstrating students today and pledged urgent reforms in the nation's educational system. More than 100-thousand students demonstrated for education reform today, and hundreds of them battled riot police and looted stores.

Police in the nominally independent tribal territory of Bophuthatswana today accused the African National Congress of plotting to assassinate the region's president. Authorities detained 32 A-N-C members and supporters, as the anti-apartheid black group staged a one-day strike in Pretoria.

A detective who investigated the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, says his probe showed that the bag containing the explosives was transferred from a Frankfurt feeder flight. That's the first official claim that the explosive device came from someplace other than Heathrow Airport in London.

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#90316u1526 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Closed sharply higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Closed higher.

American Stocks - Closed shaprly higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in thin trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed for national holiday.

Dollar - Closed lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Closed lower.

Cotton - Closed lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1/2 to up 1 1/2, soybeans up 2 to 5 3/4, wheat unchanged to off 1 1/4 and oats down 2 1/2 to 3 1/4.

Lower.

Cattle trade - Closed for holiday.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday unchanged to 4 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	10.10	10.22	10.03	10.15	10.17
May	10.09	10.15	9.96	10.09	10.13
Jly	10.05	10.14	9.98	10.08	10.11
Oct	10.05	10.12	9.98	10.08	10.11
Mar	9.95	....	....	10.01	10.01

Estimated sales: 19,677 contracts
Open interest: 111,608 up 81
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.28

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 1 point higher to 3 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.20	23.20	23.17	23.20	23.23
Mar	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.17	23.20
May	23.25	23.25	23.24	23.24	23.26
Jly	23.25	23.25	23.24	23.24	23.27
Sep	23.22	23.22	23.21	23.21	23.22
Nov	23.05	23.05	23.05	23.05	23.05
Jan	23.10	....	....	23.01	23.00

Estimated sales: 291 contracts
Open interest: 11,456 up 59

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Monday	1027.7
Friday	1027.6
Week ago	1036.3
Month ago	1069.0
Year ago	1092.4
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1025.5

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CHICAGO (NOV. 12) UPI - Soybean futures rallied on short-covering and were moderately higher at the close Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Grain prices were under pressure all day and were mostly lower in quiet trading.

Soybeans were at or near session highs at the final bell. Commercials were featured buyers on ideas that Friday's losses were overdone and the market was due for an upward correction. Strong basis levels at interior and Gulf locations contributed to the gains in both soybeans and soybean meal.

Gains were limited by the prospect of increased production this year and reports of weekend rain in the South American soybean growing regions.

Corn and wheat prices were narrowly mixed on light buying interest and the lack of export business. The volume was relatively light which tended to exaggerate price movements.

Morocco is expected to be in the market late this week for 200,000 tons of wheat.

At the close, corn was off 1/2 to up 1 1/2, soybeans up 2 to 5 3/4, wheat unchanged to off 1 1/4 and oats down 2 1/2 to 3 1/4.

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#90316u1564 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	66 1-2	off 1-2
AT&T Company	33 7-8	up 7-8
BCE Inc	34	up 1-2
Bell Atlantic	54 3-8	up 1 3-8
BellSouth Corp	54 5-8	up 3-4
Exxon Corp	50 1-8	off 1-4
Ford Motor Co	28 3-8	up 1
Genl Electric	55 1-4	up 1 1-2
General Motors	38 5-8	up 1
GTE Corp	29 1-4	up 1-2
IBM Corp	113 1-8	up 2 7-8
Mobil Oil Corp	59 1-4	off 1-2
Nynex Corp	71 5-8	up 3-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24 3-8	off 1-8
Pacific Telesis	46 3-4	up 1 1-4
Phila Electric	16 3-4	off 1-8
Sears Roebuck	26 1-2	up 3-4
Southern Co	26 3-4	up 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	53 7-8	up 1-4
US West Inc	37 7-8	off 1-8

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#90316u1584 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2540.35	up 51.74
20 Trans	866.68	up 33.29
15 Utils	212.09	up 1.77
65 Stocks	892.59	up 20.32

#90316u1596 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

GUATEMALA CITY (NOV. 12) UPI - A top official in the former military government of Efrain Rios Montt led Guatemalan presidential elections with nearly half the vote counted Monday, but pre-election favorite Jorge Carpio Nicolle was closing the gap.

Observers said a runoff vote is likely in January.

Jorge Serrano Elias, 45, of the rightist Solidarity Action Movement, led a field of 12 candidates with 27 percent of the vote, followed by newspaper publisher Jorge Carpio Nicolle of the National Center Union and former Guatemala City Mayor Alvaro Arzu Irigoyen of the National Party of Advancement.

If no candidate wins a majority of the votes, the top two contenders face each other in a second round ballot on Jan. 6. The new president begins a five-year term on Jan. 14.

With 47 percent of the 5,836 voting booths accounted for, Serrano led the race with 210,000 votes, or 27 percent, Carpio was in second place with 186,000 votes, or 24 percent and Arzu 163,000 votes, or 21 percent.

Alfonso Cabrera Hidalgo of the ruling Christian Democratic Party was fourth with 117,000 votes, or 15 percent.

Abstention was estimated at 41 percent of 3.2 million registered voters, according to the Supreme Electoral Tribunal.

Separately, unidentified assailants shot dead the Christian Democrat mayor of an eastern Guatemalan town early Monday. Manuel Jordan Triguero, 40, was gunned down in Comotan, about 125 miles east of the capital, according to Treasury Police spokesman Conrado Monroy.

In the race for congressional seats in the capital, early returns showed Arzu's National Party of Advancement running close with a coalition of parties backing Rios Montt, who was barred from the presidential race by a law that prohibits former coup leaders from taking office.

Rios Montt took power in a military coup in March 1982 and governed the country for 16 months until he was ousted by the army.

The retired army general was the leading presidential candidate in opinion polls when the courts ordered his name removed from the ballots less than four weeks before the vote, upholding the constitutional article that bans former coup leaders from holding the presidency or vice presidency.

Serrano, who served as president of the Council of State under Rios Montt, told a news conference that he was able to capture support of Rios Montt

backers and undecided voters during the closing weeks of the campaign.

Dozens of political party activists and several elected officials have been shot dead in street attacks in the weeks leading up to the election. No major disturbances were reported at the polls Sunday, officials said.

Some voters had walked for up to 10 hours to reach the nearest polling place to cast ballots for one of the 12 presidential aspirants, congressional deputies and municipal authorities in Guatemala's 330 townships.

The leading candidates to succeed President Vinicio Cerezo Jan. 14 represent the political center or right and support neo-liberal economic policies, although none have proposed significant reforms to the country's skewed distribution of wealth.

Cerezo, of the Christian Democratic Party, took office in 1986 as the country's first civilian leader since 1970, following a landslide victory in elections marred by charges of fraud and continued human rights abuses.

Leftist rebels had urged people not to vote in Sunday's elections, saying elections will not resolve the economic and political problems in Guatemala, where an estimated 100,000 people have been killed and another 40,000 kidnapped in nearly 30 years of political violence.

Many voters associate Rios Montt with the political violence that has claimed 100,000 lives and left another 40,000 missing during the past 30 years, although they give him high marks for cracking down on government corruption and common crime, perceived to have flowered under civilian rule.

As in the 1985 election, the army did not participate in the campaign and its 65,000 members were not allowed to vote. But one recently retired army general and a foreign military attache said resentment toward Rios Montt runs deep in the high command.

An opinion poll in March by the Guatemalan Free Enterprise Chamber showed 37 percent of those surveyed favored a military government and 42 percent preferred a civilian president.

Another poll, published in September by the Association for Research and Social Studies, showed 39.3 percent of Guatemalans did not care who wins the election and 22.4 percent cared little.

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#90316u1606 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2540.35	up	51.74	866.68	up	33.29	212.09	up	1.77
Friday	2488.61	up	44.80	833.39	up	5.73	210.32	up	1.19
Week ago	2502.23	up	11.39	850.59	up	8.13	214.66	off	1.26
Month ago	2416.34	up	18.32	832.29	up	2.59	206.99	up	1.13
Year ago	2626.43	up	0.82	1210.53	up	7.12	220.82	off	0.13
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90316u1614 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 12) UPI - Donita Cole, a tough-talking Texan, is not going to let some striped-pants diplomat tell her not to go to Iraq to visit her hostage husband.

Cole admitted that in her frequent telephone calls between Odessa and Foggy Bottom she sometimes tells her State Department case worker how the cow ate the cabbage, as they say in west Texas. "I fired my last one," she said, describing that unlamented link with her government as "a pompous ass, a bureaucratic robot."

"That one used to phone me and say, 'This is the State Department,' and then I'd say, 'Honey, are you the whole thing or do you just work there.'" Cole laughed raucously. Then, softly, she said, "I admit I've given the State Department a lot of flack."

The woman who talks tough, perhaps to mask her fears for her husband, acknowledged that almost all of the diplomats she has dealt with have been helpful and caring. "The only problem I have," she said quietly, "is that my husband is not home. My heart is torn to pieces over this."

Before he was forced to become part of Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein's "human shield," John Henry Cole, worked for a Texas-based oil-drilling outfit in Kuwait.

A 61-year-old towering Texan, he telephoned again Monday to assure his wife that he was fine. "Hold on," she said excitedly, putting her caller from United Press International on hold while she took the incoming call from her husband.

"He's in good shape," Cole reported later. "He told me he had just walked 20 kilometers. He's walked 700 kilometers in all since he's been there." "There," she said, is a "sensitive location." Although her husband phones several times a week, she said, their conversations are monitored and therefore innocuous.

Her government's objections to the contrary notwithstanding, Cole plans to accept Iraq's ivitation to visit her husband. She expects to leave Dec. 2 with a dozen or so other wives of hostages for a two-week trip to Iraq that is to include a visit to that "sensitive location."

"The State Department advises me almost every day not to go," she said. "I ask them what they're afraid of - that I'll be taken hostage or that the United States will go to war while I'm there."

Cole acknowledged she opposes "a U.S. miliatary offensive against Iraq and I don't mind saying so. Sometimes politicians need to be jerked up by their ears." Cole said those in her group are "not making this trip as politicians. We represent only ourselves."

She said her husband keeps track of the distance he walks around a building by shifting pebbles from one pocket to another. "His shoes are wearing out," she said plaintively, no longer talking tough.

The Germans and Japanese killed tens of thousands of people held hostage in occupied countries during World War II, prompting war crimes trials. The Geneva Convention of 1949 classed hostages as "prisoners of war" and banned reprisals against them. "My husband is a civilian," Cole said. "He has no way to protect himself. He is at a sensitive location where he will be a target."

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#90316u1615 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 12) UPI - The chairman of the federal agency in charge of cleaning up the savings and loan crisis defended the government's strict regulatory crackdown Monday against charges that it was choking even healthy thrifts.

Timothy Ryan, chairman of the Office of Thrift Supervision, told the annual convention of the U.S. League of Savings Institutions that the savings and loan reform legislation passed by Congress last year was ''a necessary remedy to the excesses of the 1980s.''

Thrift executives at the convention complained bitterly that the Federal Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989, or FIRREA, was making it difficult for even the most financially sound thrifts to raise needed capital.

''If the government's intent is to preserve the nation's healthy savings institutions, and to strengthen them, then changes in FIRREA and in certain regulatory policies are essential,'' said Kenneth Seaton, chairman of the U.S. League and chief executive of a Michigan savings and loan. ''To ignore this is to risk driving institutions to the brink of insolvency inadvertently.''

Debate over the effect of the government's savings and loan crackdown, along with the nationwide real estate downturn, dominated discussions as the savings and loan industry's largest trade association met for its 98th annual convention.

About 1,400 S&Ls were represented at the convention - less than two- thirds of the 2,404 remaining private sector thrifts in the country. Since last year's convention in Chicago, federal regulators have seized over 500 savings and loans, or nearly 17 percent of the industry, and transferred their holding assets of more than $250 billion to the government-owned Resolution Trust Corp.

Thrift executives complain that regulators, in their zeal to make up for the lax supervision of the 1980s, have swung too far the other way and are making it hard for thrifts to operate, particularly in the current scandal-tinged environment that surrounds savings and loans.

Seaton accused the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. of sending ''conflicting signals'' about new regulations and of fostering a climate of uncertainty by putting off regulatory decisions.

Ryan rejected the charges. Some fine tuning of FIRREA may be needed to protect healthy thrifts, but ''it does not appear that wholesale changes to FIRREA are required,'' he said.

Ryan said he was ''deeply troubled'' by the growing number of savings and loans that were trying to circumvent FIRREA's regulations by converting themselves from federally chartered institutions to state- chartered savings banks.

He said he would review all requests for ''charter flips'' with a skeptical eye and would ''vigorously oppose'' any that appeared to be motivated by a desire to escape FIRREA's rules. FIRREA require savings and loans to maintain minimum capital requirements and limit their investments in speculatory ventures.

''My sole concern is that, under these state charters, thrift institutions will return to exercising broad investment powers beyond those permitted for federal institutions underwritten by federal deposit insurance,'' Ryan said.

The trend for thrifts to invest federally insured deposits in real estate deals and other risky schemes is blamed as a major cause of the savings and loan crisis, which some estimates say may cost taxpayers $1 trillion to resolve. FIRREA attempted to block such practices and return thrifts to their traditional business of making home loans.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 12) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Monday - 9,191,000
1990 to date - 2,166,039,000

The market closed higher.

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#90316u1620 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Monday - $30,510,000
1990 to date - $9,598,753,000

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#90316u1624 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:
Stocks - 161,390,000 shares
1990 to date - 34,634,921,300
Warrants - 2,114,700
1990 to date - 223,926,800

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#90316u1625 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 12) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 174.07 up 2.90
ASE Market Value Index 294.78 up 3.75
Dow-Jones Industrial 2540.35 up 51.74

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#90316u1630 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:
Stocks - 10,380,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,958,591,680
Bonds - $3,490,000
1990 to date - $642,898,000

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#90316u1634 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Microsoft	(MSFT)	81,216,032	68 7/8	up 4 1/8

Intel Corp	(INTC)	59,484,328	37 1/4	up 1 1/4
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	49,013,684	50 1/4	up 1 1/4
Apple Computer	(AAPL)	43,753,936	36 1/4	up 3/4
Aldus Corp	(ALDC)	37,105,028	26 3/8	off 2 7/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	34,900,008	28 1/2	up 1
USW New Vector		29,640,506	34 3/8	up 3 7/8
Costco Wholesl	(COST)	29,019,300	42 1/4	up 3 1/8
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	26,551,664	25	up 1 3/8
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	26,257,906	32	up 1 1/8

Composite Index 154.56 up 4.33

NMS volume 100,420,600 shares.

Advances	1,012
Declines	476
Unchanged	1,301
Total	2,789

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#90316u1642 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Pan Am Corp. said Monday it was continuing to pursue a route and asset sale to UAL Corp. despite a surprise offer by Trans World Airlines Inc. to buy the whole of Pan Am if the UAL deal falters.

"Our focus here this week is on completing our agreement with UAL by Nov. 14," said Pan Am spokeswoman Pamela Hanlon. "We would anticipate at this point that we would be able to reach definitive documentation and we are working toward that goal."

TWA, based in Mount Kisco, N.Y., Friday offered to merge with Pan Am in a transaction valued at $450 million, consisting of $100 million in cash and $350 million in securities.

Pan Am announced Oct. 23 it agreed to sell valuable routes between several U.S. cities and London, some aircraft and airport facilities to Chicago-based UAL, parent of United Airlines, for $400 million.

With the stock market ending sharply higher Monday, the price of Pan Am stock closed up 25 cents to $1.875 a share in heavy trading, while UAL closed up $4.625 to $100.25 a share. The common stock of TWA, acquired by Carl Icahn in 1988, is not publicly traded.

Hanlon said the United deal did not exempt any other party from making a takeover bid for the financially ailing Pan Am. "We have said for the last couple of years that we believe the company should become part of a larger route system. One way to achieve that is a merger, and another is the kind of arrangement we have with UAL. We have said that we would entertain proposals

for a merger and we have over the past few months on occasion talked with TWA. The pact with UAL does not preclude anybody making a bid for the whole company " Hanlon said.

Responding to a Pan Am "invitation to present an offer to combine the operations of TWA and Pan Am, TWA Chairman Icahn said that if Pan Am's negotiations with United were not successfully completed, Pan Am could become a wholly owned subsidiary of TWA under a merger agreement.

"TWA has no interest in disrupting your arrangement with United or interfering with the United Agreement," Icahn wrote in a letter to Pan Am Chairman Thomas Plaskett. "However, as you told me, while you are negotiating in good faith with United, it is possible that you will not be able to reach agreement with them on the marketing agreement or on other definitive documents."

TWA would aim to complete a merger with Pan Am by next March 31. TWA's letter also proposed that it purchase the Pan Am Shuttle, providing service to Washington and Boston from New York, on or before Dec. 31.

After the UAL deal was announced, American Airlines said it would pay more for the London routes but was rejected by Pan Am, which said the sale of the routes and assets to UAL was binding.

"It still is a binding deal," Hanlon said Monday. Among other things, the transaction must receive also Transportation Department clearance. UAL and Pan Am are seeking expedited approval from the federal agency.

Dr Frank Spencer, professor emeritus of transportation and industrial relations at Northwestern University, said the TWA offer surprised him. But he did not take it seriously.

"It doesn't seem very logical to put two weak carriers together. They have got competition and overlapping routes. Other airlines will complain that they are eliminating competition, each company has rather difficult labor relations and now they are going to have to put them together. It's a mountainous job."

George Miranda, vice president of Local 732 of the Teamsters union, representing about 6,500 Pan Am employees, said the union would oppose the TWA proposal as it did the United deal, because neither promised job security for union members.

Despite Icahn's assertion that TWA would step in only if the UAL agreement fell apart, Miranda said he believed TWA was trying to scuttle the United deal because it was worried about the prospect of competing with United on trans-Atlantic routes.

Joe Hopkins, a spokesman for United, said he could not comment on whether the Pan Am deal would be completed by the deadline of this Wednesday.

Standard & Poor's Corp. said that an acquisition of Pan Am by TWA would improve the two carriers' competitive positions and revenue generation but that Pan Am could run out of cash before U.S. and foreign governments approve the deal. The credit-rating agency also said a merger would face close scrutiny from the Justice Department on antitrust grounds and from foreign governments.

A Pan Am withdrawal from the United deal without ensuring cash from another source "could be fatal" in the slow winter season and in the current environment of high fuel prices and weakening demand, S&P said.

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#90316u1655 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 294.86, low 290.92, close 294.78, up 3.75.

There was a gain of 12 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,380,000 shares, compared with 10, 677,790 Friday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	11
New Lows	36
Advances	356
Declines	204
Unchanged	217
Total Issues	777

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#90316u1658 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - U.S. gasoline imports in October fell by nearly half from a year ago as foreign exporters apparently chased higher prices outside the United States, the American Petroleum Institute reported Monday.

In its monthly report, the oil industry's think tank also said U.S. gasoline deliveries fell to a five-year low in October as higher pump prices since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait apparently drove motorists away.

In addition, the monthly report found that although deliveries of heating oil declined in October, supplies were 13.6 percent higher than a year ago and should be adequate even if the winter is unusually cold.

The monthly industry survey found that gasoline imports fell to an average 215,000 barrels a day in October, a 44.9 percent drop from a October 1989's 390,000 barrels a day.

Imports of all petroleum products fell 26.4 percent, or 560,000 barrels, to 1.6 million barrels a day, the report concluded.

Cumulative imports of crude oil and products dropped 17.9 percent in October from a year ago to 6.78 million barrels a day.

The report also confirmed anecdotal evidence of oil traders that the United States began exporting larger amounts of gasoline shortly after the Iraqi invasion triggered the world oil crisis.

It found that U.S. gasoline exports in August rose to 77,000 barrels a day from about 40,000 barrels daily in the previous month.

Exports are based on customs data, which are normally delayed two to three months.

The API monthly survey found domestic gasoline deliveries dropped 2.7 percent from a year ago to 7.1 million barrels a day following a 1.5 percent year-to-year decline in September.

''This was the lowest level of deliveries for October in five years,'' the API monthly report said. It added, ''We believe that October's ... decrease largely reflects reduced demand in response to higher prices.''

Deliveries of distillate, which includes home heating oil and diesel fuel, also fell 5.5 percent in October from a year ago to 2.9 million barrels a day in contrast with the ''sizeable increases'' in previous months, API said.

This ''is consistent with our belief that the previous growth reflected additions to the inventories of distributors and end users, rather than any substantial strength in underlying consumption,'' the report said.

It added, ''Warmer weather was responsible for a small part of October's decline in inventories,'' noting that the weather in the Northeast where much of the heating oil is consumed was 15 percent to 20 percent warmer than last year.

''Higher prices have also undoubtedly encourage conservation, though perhaps not by as much as the month's deliveries decline might suggest,'' API said.

Nevertheless distillate stocks rose 4 million barrels during October to 138 million barrels, 9 million barrels above the average of recent years and 13.6 million barrels higher than a year ago.

''Given adequate supplies of crude oil and barring unforeseen disruptions, supplies from domestic refineries, inventories, and imports appear adequate to meet demand within ranges likely to be observed, even should the winter be

unusually cold,'' the API report concluded.

Distillate imports dropped 17.3 percent from October 1989 to a monthly average of about 215,000 barrels a day.

Overall, domestic deliveries of all petroleum products declined 4.9 percent, or 850,000 barrels daily, in October from a year ago to 16.4 million barrels a day, the API report said.

''The drop in actual consumption was probably about half of the month's deliveries decrease,'' the report said.

API also found that rising prices of kerosene jet fuel, which have strained the profit margins of some airlines, peaked in mid-October.

''After peaking in the second week of the month, spot jet fuel prices dropped by as much as 45 cents a gallon,'' the report said.

Of the major refined products, jet fuel was the only one to see an increase in October deliveries, API said, rising 9.5 percent to an average of 1.37 million barrels daily.

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#90316u1674 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Energy Service	464,200	2 3/8	unch
Fruit of Loom	375,700	7 1/4	up 1/4
Amdahl Corp	315,300	13	up 5/8
Contl Air Holdings	306,900	2 7/8	up 1/4
Atari Corp	221,700	2 3/8	up 1/8
Denmark King wt	184,800	18 3/4	off 7/8
Cablevision Sys	180,500	12	up 1 1/4
Salomon wt93Jan	175,700	17 3/4	off 7/8
BAT Industries	165,700	11	up 3-16
Echo Bay Mines	164,200	10 7/8	off 1/4

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#90316u1703 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6275	up 250

Capital Cities	400 1/2	up 10 3/4
Washington Post	179	up 5 1/2
UAL Corp	100 1/4	up 4 5/8
Loews Corp	92	up 4 1/2
CBS Inc	168 1/2	up 4
Dillard Dept St	81 1/8	up 3 7/8
Matsushita El	130 1/4	up 3 3/4
Fst Chicago pfB	46 1/2	up 3 1/4
Ralston Purina	99 7/8	up 3 1/4
Citicorp pfA	57 1/2	up 3

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#90316u1707 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	367.11	216.35	142.72	21.19	313.74
Opening	369.69	218.96	143.47	21.55	316.12
11 a.m.	371.07	220.66	143.70	21.80	317.39
Noon	371.78	221.44	143.96	21.94	318.10
1 p.m.	372.10	222.50	143.93	22.02	318.41
2 p.m.	372.03	222.57	143.66	22.04	318.30
3 p.m.	372.49	223.24	143.69	22.09	318.69
Close	373.35	224.36	143.93	22.21	319.48
Change	up 6.24	up 8.01	up 1.21	up 1.02	up 5.74

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(NOV. 12) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	226.50	229.30	225.50	229.00	224.90
Mar	229.70	231.00	229.70	231.00	227.05
Jun	....	....	....	233.30	231.65

Previous day volume: 80 contracts.

Open interest: 1,278 up 9

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	317.20	321.40	317.10	320.50	315.55

Mar 319.90 324.35 319.80 323.15 318.20
Jun 324.60 326.50 324.30 326.10 321.25
Sep 325.90 329.60 325.90 329.00 324.00
Today's estimated volume: 36,534 contracts.
Open interest: 158,249 off 1,210
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	172.90	175.30	172.90	174.90	172.25
Mar	174.40	176.50	174.40	176.20	173.50
Jun	176.80	176.80	176.80	177.50	174.75

Open interest: 5,065 off 276
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	528.75	536.50	528.30	535.90	527.00
Dec	532.00	538.75	531.00	538.00	529.25
Jan	....	....	....	539.95	531.20

Estimated volume 3,456 contracts.
Open interest: 8,181 up 464

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	351.46	up	9.51	340.76	455.94
Industrial	374.67	up	9.59	363.92	442.69
Finance	344.30	up	7.99	335.84	530.54
Insurance	420.43	up	10.76	401.84	548.80
Utility	489.46	up	21.09	464.20	730.37
Bank	247.96	up	5.16	240.83	428.87
Transport	389.36	up	9.60	387.19	473.50

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 154.56 up 4.33
Industrial Index 148.79 up 3.95
NASDAQ-100 Index 377.34 up 12.86

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#90316u1714 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Monday 377.34 up 12.86.

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#90316u1741 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2498.51	2550.99	2490.10	2540.35	up 51.74
20 Trans	836.91	870.38	835.61	866.68	up 33.29
15 Utils	210.70	212.97	210.26	212.09	up 1.77
65 Stock	875.44	896.34	873.10	892.59	up 20.32

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	21,475,900	18,744,200
Trans	4,652,900	2,273,000
Utils	2,519,300	3,076,800
65 Stock	28,648,100	24,094,000

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.59	up 0.29
10 Public Utils	91.59	up 0.19
10 Industrials	87.60	up 0.39

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 127.16 off 0.18.

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#90316u1760 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	119,297,400
Advances	1,184
Declines	622
Unchanged	2,409
Total	4,215

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NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.

Composite	174.07	172.24	174.07	up	2.90
Industrial	214.68	212.71	214.68	up	3.33
Transport	135.15	131.95	135.15	up	4.69
Utility	91.00	90.62	91.00	up	0.82
Finance	115.84	113.19	115.84	up	3.93

Equivalent to a gain of 51 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 161,390,000 shares.

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#90316u1768 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Stocks rallied Monday for the second day in a row, with an expected drop in interest rates juicing up what had been expected to be a quiet holiday session.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which surged 44.80 Friday, bolted another 51.74 to close at 2540.35.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index jumped 2.90 to 174.07 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index gained 5.74 to 329.48. The price of an average share surged 51 cents.

Advances thumped declines 1,160-382 among the 1,974 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to 161,390,000 shares, up from the 145, 162,870 traded Friday.

Most observers expected Monday to be a do-nothing day on Wall Street, but traders' fervor over the possibility of another interest rate cut from the Federal Reserve after a key Fed panel holds its regular policy meeting Tuesday ruined that scenario.

The market did observe Veterans' Day, for which government offices as well as many banks and businesses were closed, with a trading halt and two minutes of silence starting at 11 a.m. EST. But after midday the market's sharp gains turned into a full-blown rally.

Analysts said the same factors that sent stocks climbing Friday were at work again Monday. Hopes for a rate cut got a big boost last week from the good reception investors gave Treasury issues in the quarterly refunding as well as from government data released Friday that pointed to inflation as being under control in October.

''A rate cut is pretty much built into the market,'' said Jeff Kaminsky, head of institutional sales trading at Mabon, Nugent & Co. ''But there are two ways of looking at it - one is that the Fed recognizes that the economy is weak,

that we're in a recession and have to do something to rectify it.

''But from the way the market is responding, it seems that investors think that when the Fed eases, it will be enough to turn this into a small recession and make things better going into early 1991.''

Kaminsky said a drop in oil prices as the Mideast remained quiet also helped power the rally. Monday's tumble in oil prices sent the Dow transportation average, which contains oil-price-sensitive airline and trucking companies, up almost 4 percent, soaring 33.29 to 866.68 after December crude oil futures sank $2.02 to $31.87 a barrel.

''We keep hearing about escalated action in the Mideast, yet nothing happens '' he said. ''The expectation of conflict is becoming a part of the everyday market. There are just tremendous cash positions on the sidelines, and they're being tempted into the market every time there's a decrease in rates or oil.''

On the trading floor, IBM was the most active issue, adding 2 3/4 to 113 after unveiling a portable version of its PS-2 personal computer.

American Express followed, rallying 2 to 21 5/8 as banks and other financial issues, building on their recent trend, led the market's surge, benefiting from the rosier interest rate environment. Fannie Mae was third, up 1 1/2 to 32. BankAmerica also surged, 1 3/8 to 23 5/8 in active trading.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T rose 7/8 to 33 7/8, General Electric jumped 1 5/8 to 55 3/8, Philip Morris gained 5/8 to 49 3/8, Woolworth added 1 to 28 3/8 General Motors climbed 1 1/4 to 38 3/4 and McDonald's gained 1 1/2 to 28 3/4.

Elsewhere, Pan Am climbed 1/4 to 1 7/8 in heavy trading after saying said it would pursue a route and asset sale to UAL Corp. despite a surprise offer by Trans World Airlines Inc. to buy the whole of Pan Am for $450 million if the UAL deal falters. UAL, parent of United Airlines, surged 4 5/8 to 100 1/4.

Loews soared 4 1/2 to 92. Analysts said they were at a loss to explain the move.

But Bally Manufacturing plunged 3/8 to 3 3/4 after saying it would end payment of dividends on a series of convertible exchangeable preferred stock.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 199,636,400 shares, compared with 181,416,330 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices gained in light trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index rallied 3.75 to 294.78. Advances led declines 366-203 among the 793 issues traded. The price of an average share added 12

cents. Composite volume totaled 12,265,650 shares vs. 12, 260,490 traded Friday.

Energy Service led the Amex issues, unchanged at 2 3/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index soared 9.51 to 351.46.

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#90316u1806 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - World oil prices plummeted more than $2 a barrel Monday as traders sold on the belief that war in the Middle East has been delayed at least until year's end.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate for December delivery plunged $2.02 to end the day at $31.87 a barrel after trading as low as $31.65 a barrel. Volume was a moderate 78,851 contracts.

Coupled with Friday's $1.64 loss, WTI has fallen $3.66, or 10.3 percent, since Thursday.

The drop in oil prices combined with the expectations of lower interest rates to rally prices of stocks on the New York Stock Exchange where the Dow Industrials index of key stocks rose 51.74 points, or 2.08 percent, to 2540.35.

The trader said the Middle East Economic Survey also was reporting that Saudi Arabia's crude-oil output would reach 8.3 million barrels daily in November compared with 7.8 million barrels a day in October.

Prior to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the U.N. embargo on exports from those two nations, Saudi production had been about 5.6 million barrels daily.

Randall Rothenberg of Dean Witter Reynolds' International Energy Futures Group in New York said the market has been on a downward trend since President Bush's announcement late Thursday that he was sending 150,000 more U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia.

Traders had been expecting the president to announce the resupply of the besieged U.S. embassy in Kuwait, which is running out of food and water, by force if necessary. Bush only said the embassy's supplies would last a few weeks.

The market is in the process of selling the ''war premium'' out of the market, Rothenberg said.

In the Middle East, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, a staunch supporter of U.S. policy in the Persian Gulf, said in an interview with a Cairo weekly

newspaper that Egypt would not participate in a military strike against Iraq.

It also became apparent over the weekend that Secretary of State James Baker had failed to achieve universal support during his swing through the Middle East and Europe for the immediate use of force to throw Iraq out of Kuwait.

On the Merc, home heating oil for December delivery finished the day down 3.72 cents to 86.52 cents a gallon, while December unleaded gasoline plummeted 4.70 cents to 83.53 cents a gallon.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent lost $2.95 from Friday to $31.60 a barrel.

Coupled with Friday's $1.40 loss, Brent has dropped $4.35, or 12.1 percent of its value in two days of trading.

United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - was down $1.90 to $27.40 a barrel.

Sun Co., Radnor, Pa. and Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp. lowered the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead - Marathon by $2 a barrel to $30.50 a barrel for WTI and Sun by $1.95 to a WTI price of $30.70 a barrel.

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#90316u1815 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
B+H Bulk Carriers Ltd				
Stock Split				
HealthCare Compare Corp - 2-for-1				
Usual				
Amer Recreation Ctrs	Q	.04	1-9	12-17
Baldor Electric Co	Q	.12	1-2	12-10
B&H Maritime Carriers	..	.30	11-30	11-21
B&H Ocean Carriers	..	.80	11-30	11-21
Cabot Oil & Gas Corp	Q	.04	11-30	11-20
Enron Corp	Q	.62	12-20	12-3
FPL Group Inc	Q	.59	12-17	12-7
Giant Industries Inc	Q	.07 1/2	1-10	11-30
Marion Merrell Dow	Q	.20	1-18	12-20
Meredith Corp	Q	.16	12-14	11-23

Minnesota Mining & Mfg	Q	.73	12-12	11-23
Pitney Bowes Inc	Q	.30	12-12	11-27
Putnam (Geo) Fd Boston	Q	.69	11-21	11-13
Safety-Kleen Corp	Q	.10	12-27	12-13
20th Century Indus	Q	.16	12-6	11-22
Waste Management Inc	Q	.09	1-3	12-19

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-Annual

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#90316u1821 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

LANSDALE, PA (NOV. 12) UPI - The son of Beirut hostage Joseph Cicippio has died of an apparent heart attack at the age of 35, hospital officials confirmed Monday.

Officials at North Penn Hospital in Lansdale, 20 miles north of Philadelphia, said Joseph Cicippio Jr. was admitted to the emergency room early Sunday and died a short time later.

Hospital officials would not comment further on the death, but Thomas Cicippio said he didn't think Joseph Junior's death was caused by the kidnapping of his father. He said the younger Cicippio had a severe overweight problem.

He said they would make no attempt to get the word to Joseph Cicippio Sr. "No, there are no efforts being made whatsoever," Thomas Cicippio said. "The situation that he's under right now, we don't think he needs to hear of anything like this at this time."

Joseph Cicippio, 60, deputy controller of American University in Beirut, was kidnapped Sept. 12, 1986, as he walked to work. With the death of Joseph Cicippio Jr., three of the elder Cicippio's family members have died since he was taken captive.

Cicippio's sister, Rose Abell, 73, died of cancer several months after the kidnapping, and her husband, Bill, 80, died in 1989 of a heart attack. Two grandchildren have been born during the same time.

Cicippio's brother, Thomas, has kept a high-profile vigil since his brother's kidnapping, charting the days of capitivity for his brother and other American hostages on a large billboard on the front lawn of his home in Norristown, in suburban Philadelphia.

Tension and frustration climaxed for Thomas Cicippio and other family members last year when the Revolutionary Justice Organization, an offshoot of the Iranian-backed Hezbollah group, sentenced Joseph Cicippio to death after Israel kidnapped a Lebanese Shiite priest.

The sentence apparently was never carried out. The only hard evidence that the Cicippio family has been given of Joseph Cicippio's still being alive was a videotape released to the U.S. government in August 1989.

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#90316u1829 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	9.35	10.03
Anchor Fund Inv	14.62	15.51
Delaware Mutual	16.76	17.97
Fidelity Fund	16.17	16.17
Investor Mutual	10.84	11.41
Investor Stocks	18.04	18.98
Investor Select	8.36	8.80
IDS Equity Plus	8.71	9.17
MFS Growth Stk	8.19	8.83
Nicholas Income	3.03	3.03
Utd Accumulated	6.06	6.62
United Income	16.42	17.95
Vang Wellington	16.07	16.07

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#90316u1836 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 438.98, up 2.08 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90316u1838 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.59	up 0.29
10 Public Utils	91.59	up 0.19
10 Industrials	87.60	up 0.39

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#90316u1846 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	294.78	up	3.75
High Technology	301.62	up	7.36
Capital Goods	305.17	up	0.85

Consumer Goods	369.42	up	5.54
Service	663.64	up	23.90
Retail	924.28	up	25.38
Financial	344.61	up	0.19
Natural Resources	219.94	off	0.99
Housing-Const-Land	224.01	up	5.42

There was a gain of 12 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS			
New England	386.39	up	7.33
Mid Atlantic	393.15	up	9.17
No Central	383.87	up	9.32
So Atlantic	818.65	up	10.42
So Central	295.23	up	1.80
Mountain	103.68	off	1.33
Pacific	331.97	up	7.01
Foreign	216.06	off	0.73

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#90316u1855 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

SAN JOSE, CALIF (NOV. 12) UPI - The key indicator of the health of the computer chip industry remained flat in October although orders and sales increased, the Semiconductor Industry Association said Monday.

The closely watched book-to-bill ratio, which compares semiconductor orders with shipments using a rolling three-month average, remained at 0.95 for the month, the SIA reported.

A book-to-bill ratio of 0.95 means that for every $100 of semiconductors shipped to the U.S. market, chip makers received $95 worth of new orders. A ratio of 1.0 or more is considered healthy, but October is typically a low month for the indicator. Last October, the book-to-bill ratio was 0.92, while in October 1988 it was 0.94.

Average monthly orders, or bookings, for the three months ended in October grew to $1.19 billion, up 0.4 percent from September, the SIA said. Average monthly shipments, or billings, increased 0.7 percent to $1.26 billion, the SIA said.

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#90316u1871 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - President Bush will sit down with the bi-partisan congressional leadership at the White House on Wednesday to discuss the American build-up in the Persian Gulf. A White House spokesman says the administration wants a peaceful solution to the crisis.

The head of the Gulf Co-operation Council says a peaceful solution to the confrontation with Iraq is NOT likely... that only war will force Iraqi troops to leave Kuwait.

The Chinese foreign minister is in Saudi Arabia, discussing the situation in the Gulf and probably reporting on the talks he had earlier with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

A top official of a former military government in Guatemala is leading the vote-count in the nation's presidential election, but the pre-election favorite is gaining. Observers say it is likely there will be a run-off on January 6th because NO candidate will get 50 percent of the vote.

Authorities in Rio de Janeiro say a twin-engine military plane crashed and burst into flames while take off today, killing eigt of the nine people on board. The cause of the crash was NOT known.

Cable News Network agreed today to refrain from airing sensitive tapes of conversations between General Manuel Noriega and his attorneys until the U-S Supreme Court rules in the matter. The network earlier defied a court order against use of the tapes.

The Internal Revenue Service today seized property in six states belonging to country entertainer Willie Nelson to satisfy six and one- half-Million dollars in back taxes. Nelson was NOT available for comment.

The A-B-C television network announced that it was cancelling Steven Bochco's ''Cop Rock'' after its December 26th episode. The program is a musical police show that used four or five musical numbers to advance the action in each episode. Bochco previously produced the hit police series ''Hill Street Blues.''

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#90316u1876 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (NOV. 12) UPI - A majority of New England retailers - overwhelmingly pessimistic about prospects for the upcoming Christmas season - expect to cut the number of employees they have, according to a survey released Monday.

The survey showed that 53 percent of the region's retailers anticipated a decrease in the number of employees this fall and winter and 10 percent said they will even reduce seasonal hiring, said the accounting firm Deloitte & Touche.

Only 10 percent planned increases in hiring.

Also, 67 percent of those answering the survey expect lower sales this holiday season than last year, while 87 percent anticipate lower profits.

Deloitte & Touche found that 94 percent of the 117 firms responding to the survey mailed in October believe ''we are in a recession'' and that 77 percent expect the national economy to worsen.

Only 6 percent believe that the economy will improve or that the country is not in a recession.

Retailers were generally more optimistic about their own prospects than about the economy's or their industry's. Deloitte & Touche said 37 percent forecast an increase in their company's sales and 80 percent anticipate their own profits will at least equal last year's.

While a rising number of retailers expect lower sales, 35 percent said they believed their advertising spending would increase as a percentage of their sales. Half said they envisioned no change in that ratio.

Only about 16 percent of those surveyed said they would be able to reduce advertising as a percentage of sales. The percentage of those with opinions on advertising as a percentage of sales amounted to 101 because of rounding.

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#90316u1888 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

OAKLAND, CALIF (NOV. 12) UPI - Steelworkers for Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp. have approved a new contract covering 3,500 employees at six U.S. plants company and union negotiators said Monday.

The agreement with the United Steelworkers of America was reached by negotiators Nov. 1 and approved by a union vote. The four-year contract calls for an increase in base pay of 50 cents an hour in the first year and another 50 cents an hour in the fourth year.

In addition, the contract increases the pension multiplier, provides a signing bonus of $1,000 and $500 bonuses in the second and third years, and continues a bonus plan tied to the price of metal.

The package introduces a managed health care program, diverts some cost-of-living allowance money to pay for health care cost increases, and provides for a partial buyout of Kaiser Aluminum preference stock held in the Kaiser Aluminum USWA Employee Stock Ownership Plan.

The contract covers aluminum smelters located in Mead and Tacoma, Wash.; a sheet and plate rolling mill in Trentwood, Wash.; an alumina refinery in Gramercy, La.; a rod, bar and wire plant in Newark, Ohio; and a coil coating facility in Toledo, Ohio.

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#90316u1926 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
WILMINGTON, MASS (NOV. 12) UPI - Sweetheart Cup Co. will close its Wilmington plant and eliminate the jobs of 210 of its 540 workers there as part of a streamling of operations, the company said Monday.

Most of the 330 not dismissed will be asked to relocate to facilities in Somerville, Mass., Manchester, N.H., or Owings Mills, Md., said Sandie J. Preiss, a spokeswoman.

Sweetheart, based in Chicago, will begin the phaseout of the Wilmington plant over the next few months and finish it by April 1992, Preiss said.

Preiss said about 200 jobs will be transferred to Somerville and about 70 to Manchester once equipment is moved from Wilmington to the existing facility in Manchester.

''The rest of the positions are either support or engineering jobs and they will move mostly to Owings Mills,'' Preiss said.

Preiss said the elimination of Wilmington would consolidate work on products that currently is done at two different plants.

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#90316u1940 11/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - National basketball champion Nevada-Las Vegas, currently appealing NCAA sanctions, Monday was voted No. 1 in preseason balloting by United Press International's Board of Coaches.

The Runnin' Rebels, who obliterated Duke in last spring's NCAA title game, collected 32 of 41 first-place votes to easily outdistance Arizona for the top spot. The UPI board also rated UNLV No. 1 last preseason.

Arizona received two first-place votes, Arkansas had four, while North Carolina, Michigan State and Georgetown received one apiece.

Following UNLV in the top 25 are: No. 2 Arizona, No. 3 Arkansas, No. 4 North Carolina, No. 5 Michigan State, No. 6 Duke, No. 7 Georgetown, No. 8 Indiana, No. 9 Alabama, No. 10 UCLA, No. 11 Ohio State, No. 12 Oklahoma, co-No. 13 Connecticut and Louisiana State, No. 15 Pittsburgh, No. 16 Syracuse, No. 17 Georgia Tech, No. 18 Southern Mississippi, No. 19 Virginia, No. 20 Kansas, No. 21 Texas, No. 22 Louisville, No. 23 Georgia, No. 24 Temple and No. 25 Notre Dame.

The NCAA is considering UNLV's appeal and should determine soon whether the Rebels can defend their title. Over the summer, the NCAA placed UNLV on probation for violations committed 15 years ago, when the NCAA ordered Coach

Jerry Tarkanian suspended.

Tarkanian and UNLV officials have presented compromises that would allow the Rebels to defend their title. One option would be to ban the team from playing in the 1992 NCAA tournament. A second would be to ban just Tarkanian and not the team.

''We should hear very soon what they've decided,'' Tarkanian said. ''And then we can start the season knowing exactly where we stand.''

If the Rebels, who open the season Dec. 1 against Alabama-Birmingham, can defend their title, they'll do so with a formidable lineup that includes star forwards Larry Johnson and Stacey Augmon.

''I think the biggest obstacle for us right now is simply getting the opportunity to defend our title,'' Tarkanian said. ''We have a great group of talented kids and feel we have as good a chance as anyone.''

Arizona features a strong frontline and adds Chris Mills, a Kentucky transfer. Arkansas, a Final Four team last season, opens its final year in the Southwest Conference trying to give the league its first NCAA basketball champion. Arkansas' hopes rest on three juniors - Lee Mayberry, Todd Day and Oliver Miller.

The Big East and the Atlantic Coast Conference each placed four teams in the top 25, while the Big Ten and the Southeastern Conference had three each.

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MANAGUA (NOV. 12) UPI - Riot police attacked and dispersed demonstrators who set up barricades Monday in the city of Boaco to support former rebels demanding the government honor its promises of assistance, officials said.

Napoleon Guadamuz, director of the Red Cross in Boaco, 55 miles northeast of Managua, described as tense the situation in the city, where a number of former Contra rebels are holding several public buildings and demanding the government keep promises it made when they agreed to disarm.

Guadamuz said the disturbances began at the entrance to the city shortly before 11 a.m..

''We turned up, but we could not get through because of the smoke from tear-gas bombs. Several injured people were picked up in a private truck. I only saw one person with a bullet wound and several who were beaten,'' he said.

A Boaco city official said ''the riot squad descended from two helicopters and attacked the demonstrators who were behind the barricades. First they tossed

tear gas bombs.''

''We support President Violeta Chamorro, but we do not like the fact that she has ordered the riot police to shoot on the people,'' he added.

Guadamuz said the Red Cross was the only building not taken by the former rebels. ''The police are (stationed) at the entrance to the city, '' he said.

''The city of Boaco is under siege and no vehicles are allowed in or out,'' a witness told United Press International.

The former Contras, who laid down their weapons in June and formally ended more than eight years of civil war, are demanding that the government deliver the housing, land, tools, food and medicines it promised them for resettlement.

Eighteen mayors in Boaco and Chontales provinces, east and southeast of the capital, are supporting the former rebels in their demands, and have called for the dismissal of Presidential Minister Antonio Lacayo, Interior Minister Carlos Hurtado and army chief of staff Humberto Ortega.

Talks between Chamorro and the mayors were suspended Sunday with no agreement on dismantling barricades in Boaco and Chontales along 90 miles of roads leading from Managua to the Atlantic coast region.

Ulda Amador, a spokesman for the mayors said, ''We cannot commit ourselves to the removal of the barricades.''

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(NOV. 12) UPI - There is a new round of diplomatic expulsions today. Iraq ordered a British diplomat to leave Baghdad within 10 days for what is termed the use of ''inappropriate language'' to demonstrators outside the British Embassy in the Iraqi capital. In retaliation, Britain declared the second secretary of the Iraqi Embassy in London ''persona non grata.''

A non-profit organization based in San Diego is organizing what it calls the ''G-I Gift Pac Program'' to prepare gift packages for U-S troops in the Persian Gulf. A spokesman says the manufacturers of several snack-food products are providing items for the packages at below-wholesale prices. He says the packs will contain candy, dried fruit, cookies and other snacks and should arrive before Christmas. Each tax-deductible package costs 15 dollars, or two for 25 dollars or four for 50 dollars. There is a six-dollar mailing charge. Orders can be placed by calling area code 703, 683-5004.

An Air Force Titan-4 rocket is primed for launch at Cape Canaveral, Florida, today, and observers say they expected the ship to blast into space some time before 8 p-m, E-S-T. The rocket is carrying a classified cargo, but it is

believed to be a 180-Million-dollar early warning spacecraft that uses large infrared telescopes to detect enemy rocket launches.

A veteran Japanese T-V correspondent was picked today to become the first journalist in space. 48-year-old Toyohiro Akiyama is the former Washington bureau chief of the Tokyo Broadcasting System. He will be riding a Soviet rocket into space on December 2nd with two veteran Russian cosmonauts.

A militant Hindu group in India says it will resume its controversial campaign to re-locate a 460-year-old Moslem mosque and build a Hindu temple in its place. It says it will resume the temple construction project on December 6th in the Hindu holy town of Ayodhya. The Hindu move to replace the mosque set off violent religious battles across India and helped bring down the government of Prime Minister V-P Singh.

The Philadelphia Orchestra is going back in time this week. It will celebrate its 90th anniversary with a re-creation of its inaugural concert. The celebration will occur at the Academy of Music in Philadelphia to mark the November 16th, 1900, anniversary of the orchestra's first appearance.

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#90316u2033 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 12) UPI - The Soviet Union, which embarked on a market plan less than a month ago, Monday opened the nation's first stock exchange since the Russian Revolution.

The Moscow exchange was founded by 187 Soviet enterprises and banks, and eventually up to 25 percent of the shares will be held by major joint-stock companies and banks in the country, officials said.

Although there is no private property to speak of yet in the Soviet Union, the officials from Moscow forged ahead with the opening of the exchange.

They said that the Moscow Stock Exchange plans to open offices in the world's major exchanges in New York, Frankfurt, Tokyo and Singapore.

The exchange's interests abroad will be represented by an international broker company, which asked that its name be withheld.

Innumerable problems still confront fledgling Soviet entrepreneurs in their efforts to build a market economy and set up commodity and stock exchanges.

One major drawback is the non-convertibility of the ruble, which is legal tender only in the Soviet Union and cannot be traded against other currencies on money markets.

Eduard Tenyakov, head of the Soviet Fininvest Investment Company, said the

company that will represent the exchange abroad plans to equate the ruble with the dollar in estimating currency exchange value of shares.

The Soviet Parliament and government plan to give the exchange the right allow its members to buy securities from foreign companies and banks and also to sell them to foreign firms, the official Tass news agency said.

The launching of the stock market comes only three weeks after the Supreme Soviet approved a cautious plan to move to a market economy and abandon seven decades of centrally planned socialism.

The exchange's opening also comes a month after New York Stock Exchange officials and U.S. financial experts conducted a three-day seminar in Moscow to explain the mechanics of equity ' markets, share trading and other building blocks of the capialist economic system.

Czarist Russia had more than 100 stock exchanges, and at the turn of the century Imperial Russia possessed one of the most rapidly growing economies in the world. It had a firm and strong currency backed almost 100 percent by gold.

The Communists, who came to power in November 1918, nationalized all production and shut down all exchanges.

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#90316u2050 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FLA (NOV. 12) UPI - An Air Force Titan 4 rocket streaked toward space Monday on a clandestine flight to launch a secret Pentagon satellite, putting on a spectacular Veterans Day holiday sky show visible for hundreds of miles.

With brilliant Mars, the Roman god of war, rising in the east, the $173 million Titan 4's two solid-fuel boosters ignited at 7:37 p.m. EST after a not-so-secret countdown, turning night into day as the unmanned rocket thundered away from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station.

''I tell you it was great. It looked like an artificial sunrise that turned into an artificial comet,'' said spectator Jeff Guzzetti, Washington, D.C. ''It just lit up the whole sky like a sunrise. I could feel the rumble right through my body.

As a safety precaution, workers evacuated nearby pad 39A at the Kennedy Space Center, where countdown clocks are ticking toward the shuttle Atlantis's planned launch Thursday to ferry what is believed to be a photo-reconnaissance satellite into orbit that may be used to spy on the Persian Gulf region.

The two rapid-fire military missions marked the first time in recent history that a pair of major military satellites were scheduled for launch in a single

week, demonstrating a growing Air Force capability to deliver high-priority national-security payloads to space.

The Titan 4, making the program's third flight since 1989, was grounded Sept. 23 at the T-minus 5-minute mark, possibly because of problems with the rocket's steering system.

The booster appeared to work normally Monday and two minutes after liftoff, the solid-fuel boosters were jettisoned and the two-stage liquid-fueled Titan ''core'' vehicle continued on its way to space, looking like a brilliant star as it slowly faded from view.

The identity of the rocket's payload was classified, but it may have been carrying a $180 million Defense Support Program early warning spacecraft built by TRW of Redondo Beach, Calif. DSP satellites are capable of detecting enemy rocket launches using large infrared telescopes.

Atlantis's countdown began on time Sunday night - about 16 hours early because of a conflict with the Titan 4 - and while the exact launch time will not be revealed until nine minutes before engine ignition, sources said liftoff is planned for 6:46 p.m. Thursday.

Launch originally was planned for July, but Atlantis was grounded by a hydrogen fuel leak similar to at least two such leaks that sidelined the shuttle Columbia in May and September. Both ships have since been repaired and cleared for flight.

At the controls aboard Atlantis will be commander Richard Covey, 44, an Air Force colonel, and co-pilot Frank Culbertson, 41, a Navy commander. Their crewmates are Marine Col. Robert Springer, 48, Air Force Lt. Col. Carl Meade, 39, and Army Maj. Charles Gemar, 35.

The astronauts were scheduled to fly to Florida Tuesday evening for final preparations.

The mission length is classified, but sources said the 37th shuttle flight is scheduled to last three days, 23 hours and 55 minutes, resulting in a landing Nov. 19, at 3:41 p.m. PST, at Edwards Air Force Base in California's Mojave Desert.

Aviation Week & Space Technology magazine reported last month that Atlantis would be launched into an orbit carrying it 28.5 degrees to either side of the equator and that the shuttle's cargo is a photo- reconnaissance satellite that will be used to monitor conditions in the Persian Gulf region.

Other space experts have questioned that conclusion, pointing out that in such an orbit, Atlantis and its payload would pass well south of Iraq, limiting the usefulness of photo reconnaissance.

Getting the Titan 4 program up and running has been a high-priority goal for the nation's recovery from the 1986 Challenger shuttle disaster and back-to-back failures of less-powerful Titan 34D rockets in 1985 and 1986.

Between 1983 and 1988, the Air Force budgeted $685 million for unmanned expendable launch vehicles. Between 1988 and 1994, the figure is projected to be at least $14.1 billion with the Titan 4 the centerpiece of the buildup.

While the Air Force's military space program is expanding, military use of NASA's manned space shuttle is being phased out.

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#90316u2065 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 12) UPI - Texas billionaire Harold Simmons, in his latest bid to seize control of Lockheed Corp., announced a $2-billion buyout plan Monday that would leave him as sole owner of the aerospace giant.

Simmons, in a letter written by key aide J. Landis Martin to Lockheed Chairman Daniel Tellep, said he is willing pay $40 a share in cash if he can obtain the support of Lockheed's mangement for the deal.

Lockheed stock closed Monday at $30.25 on the New York Stock Exchange, up 75 cents a share.

In his letter, Simmons, who already owns slightly less than 20 percent of the company, said he wanted to ''structure a transaction'' that, because of its magnitude, would require Lockheed's cooperation and support.

Lockheed, which has resisted Simmons' efforts to gain control of the company, issued a brief statement saying that the letter did not contain detailed information on the proposal and that Lockheed will give ''full consideration'' to it when further details are provided.

Simmons cannot own more than 20 percent of the stock without triggering the company's ''poison pill'' provisions, which would make it prohibitively expensive for him or any other investor to buy more stock.

Simmons sought several months ago to boost his stake in the company to about 35 percent through the purchases of Employee Stock Ownership Plan shares, but the company turned down that proposal.

The letter Monday said that Martin and Simmons had contacted Tellep about the proposal last Friday.

Aerospace analyst Lawrence Harris of Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards said that he is uncertain whether the proposal is workable, since it does not indicate

how Simmons intends to finance the deal.

Harris, who estimates the break-up value of Lockheed at about $35 a share, said that the proposed price of $40 a share will probably win some support among shareholders, but not at an overwhelming level.

Lockheed has earned $236 million, or $3.73 a share, for the first nine months of this year, up sharply from earnings of $111 million, or $1.78 a share, for the year-ago period. Sales were $6.99 billion, up 2 percent from $6.86 billion.

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#90316u2115 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

ASPEN, COLO (NOV. 12) UPI - Four people were killed Monday when their single-engine plane crashed into a hillside while taking off from the Aspen airport.

The Pitkin County Sheriff's Department said the plane crashed across from the tower about 12:15 p.m. under clear skies. There was no fire.

Four bodies were recovered, but the victims were not immediately identified.

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#90316u2153 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - President Bush scheduled a meeting with the bi-partisan congressional leadership for Wednesday to discuss the American build-up in the Persian Gulf, amid growing criticism of his policy in the region. The nation's Roman Catholic bishops today told the president that it could be immoral to go to war with Iraq and they warned Bush to exhaust all possible peaceful solutions.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater sought to counter Democratic criticism that Bush is taking the nation down the road to war. Fitzwater told reporters that the president wants a peaceful resolution of the crisis. The Roman Catholic bishops, meanwhile, adopted a statement about the situation and agreed to debate an even stronger anti-war statement in a closed session on Wednesday.

Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen is in Saudi Arabia, where he is expected to brief Saudi leaders on his talks earlier with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, meanwhile, said his troops will NOT enter Iraqi territory. Mubarak said Egyptian troops would, however, go into Kuwait in a peace-keeping role.

An official inquiry into the world's worst oil disaster is putting much of the blame for the tragedy on Occidental Petroleum, saying the American-owned company was lax in safety procedures and training. 167 men were killed when an

explosion rocked the Piper-Alpha rig in the North Sea in July 1988. The British inquiry into the disaster is making 106 recommendations to prevent a repeat of the disaster.

A spokesman says the Seabrook nuclear power plant will remain idle for several more days because technicians discovered a second technical problem while repairing coolant system trouble that shut down the plant on Friday. The spokesman says the second problem requires repair or replacement of a valve position indicator associated with the reactor cooling system.

A North Penn Hospital official says the son of American hostage Joseph Cicippio died of an apparent heart attack at the age of 35. Cicippio was kidnapped in Beirut on September 12th, 1986. Since then three members of his family have died, including his sister and her husband.

Striking New York Daily News reporters and editors today began distributing one-Million copies of an alternative eight-page tabloid newspaper that claims to contain the ''Real News'' about the walkout. The papers were handed out on street corners and in bars and restaurants. A Daily News spokeswoman scoffed at the effort, saying the real news appears each day in the struck publication.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	4	1	.800	-
New York	4	2	.667	1/2
Miami	2	2	.500	1 1/2
Philadelphia	2	3	.400	2
Washington	2	3	.400	2
New Jersey	1	5	.167	3 1/2

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	4	1	.800	-
Atlanta	4	1	.800	-
Detroit	3	2	.600	1
Indiana	3	2	.600	1
Chicago	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Cleveland	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Charlotte	2	4	.333	2 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Dallas	4	1	.800	-
San Antonio	3	1	.750	1/2
Utah	2	2	.500	1 1/2
Houston	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Minnesota	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Orlando	0	6	.000	4 1/2
Denver	0	6	.000	4 1/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	5	0	1.000	-
Seattle	3	1	.750	1 1/2
Phoenix	3	1	.750	1 1/2
Golden State	4	2	.667	1 1/2
LA Clippers	2	4	.333	3 1/2
LA Lakers	1	3	.250	3 1/2
Sacramento	0	5	.000	5

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#90316u2229 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater today brushed off criticism by some members of Congress that President Bush is putting the nation on the road to war with Iraq. Says Fitzwater- ''We want a peaceful resolution.'' Some Democratic lawmakers also have complained that Bush decided to double U-S forces in the Persian Gulf without consulting Congress. Asked Fitzwater- ''What are they talking about? They have been consulted all the way.''

The nation's Catholic bishops opened a four-day meeting in Washington today by telling President Bush it could be immoral for the United States to go to war with Iraq. They urged the president to exhaust all possible peaceful solutions to the crisis. But under the prodding of peace-oriented bishops, the group agreed to debate a stronger condemnation of Bush administration policy on Wednesday.

World oil prices plunged more than two-dollars a barrel today on the belief that war is NOT imminent in the Persian Gulf. On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate for December delivery ended the day at 31 dollars 87 cents a barrel. The drop in oil prices came on word by Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak that Egypt ''will NOT enter Iraq under any circumstances.'' And Mubarak says Egyptian troops will only enter Kuwait as a peacekeeping force.

Broadcast pioneer William Paley was eulogized today in New York at a memorial service attended by more than 25-hundred friends and associates. The C-B-S board chairman and former president died two weeks ago at age 89. Mourners

were led by former President Richard Nixon in praising Paley's revolutionary role in entertainment and broadcast journalism. Paley was described as ''a truly extraordinary man.''

Black college enrollment is stagnating, NOT slipping, as recent reports have suggested. That's according to a study by the Rand Corporation. The study says the proportion of all 18- to 24-year-old blacks in college is currently the same... 20 to 22 percent... as it was in the mid-70's. It says the rate for black men remains steady and the rate for black women is one or two percentage points higher.

A new survey says most American women believe it's wrong to use tissue taken from aborted fetuses for medical research. The Redbook magazine survey of nearly 13-hundred women found that 61 percent of the respondents, mostly working mothers between 25 and 44, are against such research. And the survey found that 73 percent believe that publicizing the medical benefits gained from it could lead to a black market involving payments for aborted fetuses.

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#90316u2234 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

PAHUTE MESA, NEV. (NOV. 12) UPI - A nuclear weapon possibly 12 times greater than the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima will be detonated 1,900 feet beneath the Nevada desert Wednesday, the Department of Energy said Monday.

Energy Department spokesman Jim Boyer declined to say whether the test was being conducted for Great Britain, as claimed by peace protesters.

Members of Greenpeace hung a banner from the Tower Bridge in London Monday which read ''Stop U.K. Nuclear Tests'', according to a statement released by Greenpeace in Las Vegas. Ten people reportedly were arrested. Members of American Peace Test and Nevada Desert Experience have announced its members will conduct a vigil at the Department of Energy offices in Las Vegas the day of the blast.

Boyer said the nuclear device to be detonated Wednesday will have a yield of 20 to 150 kilotons, a maximum equivalent of 150,000 tons of dynamite. The atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima during World War II was a 13 kiloton weapon.

Earth motion from the blast may be felt in Las Vegas, more than 100 miles away.

''By continuing to test new nuclear weapons, the nuclear nations are encouraging developing countries to build nuclear weapons of their own,'' said Greenpeace spokesman Junior Bridge. ''Disarmament treaties mean nothing if the testing of new nuclear weapons is not halted as well.''

Energy Department officials say most nuclear tests are conducted to verify the viability of warehoused nuclear warheads.

The weapon is buried at the bottom of a 1,900 foot deep vertical shaft drilled into Pahute Mesa, a 5,000 foot high plateau located about 105 miles northwest of Las Vegas deep within the boundaries of the 1,350 square mile Nevada Test Site.

Code named ''Houston,'' the test will be the eighth announced by the United States this year and the 707th since the test site became operational in 1951. The test will be No. 502 since the United States and the Soviets signed the Limited Test Ban Treaty in 1963 that outlawed open-air detonations.

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#90316u2545 11/12/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 12) UPI - An Air Force spokesman says everything seems to have gone well with tonight's picture-perfect blastoff of a towering Titan-4 rocket. The costly rocket boosted a secret Pentagon satellite into space in a clandestine military launch. The unmanned Titan-4 lit up the sky for hundreds of miles in a spectacular night liftoff from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station.

As a safety precaution, workers evacuated nearby launch pad 39-A at the Kennedy Space Center, where countdown clocks are ticking toward Thursday's planned launch of the space shuttle Atlantis. Aviation Week and Space Technology magazine reported last month that Atlantis's cargo is a photo-reconnaissance satellite that will be used to monitor conditions in the Persian Gulf region.

In New Zealand, former Labor Prime Minister David Lange says he's negotiated the immediate release of all 16 New Zealand hostages being held in Iraq and Kuwait. Lange told reporters upon his arrival back in Wellington that the United States' criticism of his private visit to Baghdad probably helped him succeed in his mission. He says the hostages will be flown to Amman, Jordan, soon.

A Colorado researcher says he has evidence of possible cold fusion. Physicist Ed Cecil of the Colorado School of Mines says energy particles escaping from a tabletop experiment could be another sign that nuclear fusion can occur at room temperature. Cecil says he's been trying to replicate solid-state fusion since University of Utah researchers announced last year they had produced nuclear fusion in a relatively simple experiment... causing a furor in the scientific community.

The Soviet Union today opened its first stock enchange since the Russian Revolution. The Moscow Stock Exhcange was founded by 187 Soviet enterprises and banks. Officials say the M-S-E plans to open offices in the world's major exchanges in New York, Frankfurt, Tokyo and Singapore. But one major drawback confronting fledgling Soviet entrepreneurs in their efforts to build a market economy is the non-convertibility of the ruble. It is legal tender only in the

Soviet Union and canNOT be traded against other currencies on money markets.

There will be lots of turkey to put on Americans' dinner plates during the holiday season. But the Agriculture Department says the increasingly popular bird will carry a slightly higher price tag. Turkey consumption has skyrocketed in the past few years, rising an average of nine-point-nine percent a year since 1985. Government analysts attribute the increase to attractive prices, the hunt for lower-fat foods and an array of products that allow shoppers to buy a convenient amount of meat.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 12) UPI - Actress Eve Arden, the wisecracking and thoroughly delightful English school teacher of television's ''Our Miss Brooks '' died of heart failure Monday. She was 82.

Arden, famous for her quick ripostes, died at her Doheny Estates home at 2:30 a.m. with one of her daughters, Liza West, at her bedside, Glenn Rose, her personal manager said.

''Her health had been deteriorating for the past year,'' Rose said of Arden, adding that the actress had been in declining health since the death of her husband, actor Brooks West, in 1985.

The tall, blonde comedienne had a distinguished career in movies and on the stage, but she was best known for her years as Miss Brooks, including four on radio and four in the early years of television.

Arden began the series in 1947 and made the switch to television in 1952. She won an Emmy in 1953 for best female personality.

Arden's character earned her a life-long image as a schoolmarm and wisecrack artist, with her put-downs delivered in an expressionless twang. Countless motion pictures and stage appearances and two other television series failed to rid her of the Connie Brooks image.

''I'm not fighting it anymore,'' she once said. ''I can't shake the image. Now I'm accustomed to being Miss Brooks.''

Arden was born in Mill Valley, Calif., and passed up a planned college education to take an acting job at the Alcazar Theatre in San Francisco.

She then joined the Pasadena Playhouse and was promptly noticed by Ziegfeld Follies producers. She became a Ziegfeld girl in 1936 and was a leading Broadway attraction with the company within two years.

She returned to the West Coast when her mother died and began her motion

picture career with an appearance in ''Stage Door'' in 1937, which provided her with her big break.

More than 70 motion pictures followed, including ''My Reputation'' with Barbara Stanwyck, ''Mildred Pierce'' with Joan Crawford, ''Panamericana'' with Robert Benchley and ''Earl Carroll Vanities'' with Dennis O'Keefe.

She was nominated for an Academy Award as best supporting actress for ''Mildred Pierce.''

Arden built up a screen reputation as the quick-witted ''hover girl'' who was always around when the female lead needed comforting and advice.

''Do I ever get any comforting?'' she once complained of her image. ''Do I ever have a rough day? I'm tired of being 'Miss Vinegar of the Year.'''

Whatever her feelings about her movie personality, it made her a natural for the ''Miss Brooks'' role. Her two favorite targets on the show were her principal, Osgood Conklin, and the handsome biology professor, Mr. Boynton.

Two less-successful series followed _ ''The Eve Arden Show'' and ''The Mothers-In-Law.'' She returned to movie and stage work, appearing in the plays ''Butterflies Are Free'' in Los Angeles and in ''Hello Dolly'' in Chicago, both in lead roles.

Her 1985 autobiography was titled ''Three Phases of Eve.''

Miss Arden was married twice. She wed Hollywood agent Ned Bergen in 1938 and was divorced in 1948.

She married West in 1951. She and Bergen had adopted two daughters, Liza and Constance, and she and West adopted a son, Duncan. She gave birth to a son, Douglas, in 1954.

Liza West said her mother was born April 30, 1908, four years earlier than her age listed in Hollywood reference books.

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#90316x1537 11/12/1990 ~Comtex

NEW YORK (NOV. 12) UPI - Steven Bochco's ''Cop Rock,'' the police show set to music, has been cancelled after its Dec. 26 broadcast, ABC announced Monday.

The series from the creator of ''L.A. Law'' and ''Hill Street Blues,'' was an experimental series that tried to use four or five musical numbers per hour-long episode to push the plot along in a sort of musical ''Hill Street.''

Robert A. Iger, president of ABC Entertainment, said in making the

announcement:

''In 'Cop Rock' Steven Bochco delivered a daring and brilliantly produced series, one all of us at ABC are proud to be associated with.''

New programming for the Wednesday 10-11 p.m. (Eastern time) slot, to begin in 1991, will be announced shortly.

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#90317b0005 11/13/1990 ~Business Wire

DETROIT (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. Tuesday announced a joint marketing agreement with Mancom Technologies Inc., a U.S.-based subsidiary of Mancom Technologies Ltd. of Great Britain.

The two companies will market Mancom's VISION system, an integrated document control and imaging system which runs on NCR System 3000 hardware.

Howard Briggs, president of Mancom Technologies Ltd., noted sales of the system are expected to be strong because of user demand for the document life cycle control features incorporated in the product.

VISION conforms to NCR's Open, Cooperative Computing (OCC) guidelines by adhering to all established and de facto industry standards, providing cooperative functions and a consistent and user focus. It incorporates Open Cooperative Computing Architecture (OCCA) in a client/server model that provides users with access to applications and files distributed throughout a network.

The two companies also co-market CAD VISION, a computer-aided design system with 500 installations in Europe.

Mancom Technologies Ltd., of Derbyshire, England, is a strategic integrator for imaging applications in the manufacturing industry.

NCR Corp., based in Dayton, Ohio, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - As part of its longterm organizational plan, Retix, the leading supplier of OSI products, Tuesday

announced that it has appointed current president, Steve Frankel to the position of president and chief executive officer.

In his expanded role as chief executive officer, Frankel will focus on both the strategic direction and day-to-day operations of the company. Andy De Mari, formerly chairman and chief executive officer, will remain chairman of the board and will concentrate on the positioning of the company in the end-user OSI marketplace, as well as the development of strategic relationships and alliances worldwide.

De Mari, a well-known pioneer in the networking industry, founded Retix in 1985 and has grown the company from revenues of under $1 million in the first year of business to over $50 million in 1990 with consistent profitability. Today, with over 160 OSI OEM licensees worldwide, Retix is recognized as the leading supplier of OSI products and technology.

In addition De Mari led the company into the internetworking market with a line of local LAN (Local Area Network) bridge products and strengthened Retix' position in this market in December 1988 with the acquisition of a United Kingdom-based remote bridge manufacturer. With a complete line of local and remote internetworking products, Retix has sold over 12,000 LAN bridges to date.

Frankel joined Retix as president and chief operating officer in August 1988 and has played a key role in the company's ability to penetrate new markets such as the end-user government and commercial OSI market sectors. Prior to joining Retix, Frankel, who has over 25 years experience in the computer and communications industry, was president at Emulex Corp.

Retix is the leading worldwide supplier of Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) products. Founded in 1985, Retix has more than 160 OSI original equipment manufacturer (OEM) licensees throughout the world and has installed over 12,000 local and remote LAN bridges.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Tektronix Inc. and SuperMac Technology Tuesday announced the formation of a partnership to develop color fidelity solutions for the Macintosh-based electronic publishing industry.

The two firms will share engineering and marketing resources for the development and marketing of new products based on Tektronix TekColor color fidelity system and SuperMac's recently announced SuperMatch Professional Color Matching System.

Color matching solves two critical problems faced by color graphics professionals: One, it ensures that colors are consistent from one monitor to another, and two, it ensures that the colors displayed on the monitor match scanned input and printed output.

TekColor is the first color fidelity system that optimizes color matching by allowing users to pick screen colors that can be duplicated by their output devices. Because TekColor's open interface specification is based on the CIE International standard, the color management software is device independent. It can support color printers and video displays, film recorders, and virtually any other output device. A TekColor Programmer Guide containing the open specification is now available to provide a basic understanding of color graphic devices and how TekColor integrates the two to provide a cohesive color matching system across color devices.

The SuperMatch Display Calibrator is the first product jointly developed as a result of the Tektronix and SuperMac partnership. The calibrator is the first device to adjust displays from a broad range of vendors, including SuperMac, Apple, E-Machines, Radius and RasterOps. The calibrator is part of SuperMac's professional color matching system, SuperMatch, but can be purchased separately for $695. It is bundled free of charge with SuperMac's 24-bit color card, the Spectrum/24 PDQ.

SuperMac Technology is a leading developer, publisher and manufacturer of color solutions for Macintosh graphics professionals. The company's products include accelerated color graphics cards; 16-inch, 19-inch and 21-inch color monitors; graphics storage devices; color graphics software and color matching utilities. SuperMac delivers color graphics solutions for end users in such markets as graphic arts, desktop publishing, engineering and business graphics.

Tektronix is a leading manufacturer of electronic products and systems in the areas of computer graphics, test and measurement and communications. Sales in fiscal 1990 totaled $1.4 billion. Tek has approximately 13,000 employees worldwide. Tek's Graphics Printing and Imaging Division is part of the Visual Systems Group, which markets a complete line of graphics products including color graphics terminals, netstations, X stations, workstations, superworkstations, printers and software.

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LENEXA, KS (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Syntro Corp. (NASDAQ:SYNT) reported revenues of $1,134,737 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 75 percent over revenues of $648,626 for the same quarter last year and 18 percent over the prior quarter.

Revenues for fiscal 1990 were $3,658,551, up 72 percent over the $2,123,490 reported for fiscal 1989. Net loss for the quarter was $418,753, or a loss of 5 cents per share, a 34 percent improvement from the fourth quarter loss in fiscal 1989 of $630,644, or loss of 6 cents per share.

For the year, Syntro's net loss was $1,975,361, or a loss of 21 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $4,323,326, or a loss of 45 cents per share, for the prior year, an improvement of 54 percent.

Syntro Corp., founded in 1981, is a Lenexa and San Diego-based biotechnology company engaged in the development and commercialization of animal health products. Its current strategy is focused on achieving rapid revenue growth and profitability by penetration of the animal health market with innovative vaccines.

Syntro is pursuing corporate alliances that will broaden its product line and allow the company to commercialize its technology as rapidly as possible. SyntroVet, the company's animal health subsidiary, was established in 1985 to register, manufacture and market products resulting from Syntro's research.

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BOULDER, CO (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Good Times Restaurants Inc. (NASDAQ:GTIM), operator of the Good Times! Drive Thru Burgers restaurant chain Tuesday announced it has retained nationally prominent Francorp Inc. to design and execute a comprehensive franchise development program for the company.

Francorp is the nation's leading franchise development consulting organization and counts among its clients such companies as Kentucky Fried Chicken, Bonanza Omni Hotels, Ace Hardware, ARCO and Pizzeria Uno.

Francorp will assist Good Times in developing a complete franchise development

program, including operations procedures; franchise policy; service, fee and royalty structures; franchise agreements; marketing plans; and collateral materials. In addition, Francorp will assist Good Times with a planned acquisition program and in seeking joint venture partners for multi-store development projects.

Good Times! Drive Thru Burgers stores are double-drive-through, ultra-fast-service restaurants that offer a limited, high quality menu for drive-through and walk-up customers only. The concept is designed to exploit a trend in the restaurant industry of take-out and drive-through sales growing at a faster rate than on-premises consumption.

Good Times Restaurants currently operates three company-owned locations in Denver and Boulder. The company has a letter of intent for a fourth store to be located in Fort Collins, Colo., and has three additional locations planned for Fort Collins, Boulder and Greeley, Colo.

The company is currently reviewing several multiple-unit operators for potential acquisition and is also in discussions with joint venture partners and restaurant industry groups regarding funding for development of additional front-range stores and master franchise programs.

Good Times Restaurants expects to report revenue in the $1.6 million range for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990. That would be a 33 percent increase over the $1.2 million in sales for fiscal 1989. Fiscal 1988 sales were $705,000.

Good Times recently raised $1,120,000 in a secondary offering of stock and warrants that was managed by Cohig & Associates, the Denver-based investment banker.

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RANCHO MIRAGE, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - American Toxxic Control Tuesday announced that consolidated revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 21 percent to $6,554,000 as compared to $5,427,000 for the like period in 1989.

For the six-month period ended Sept. 30, revenues increased 19 percent to $13,184,000 as compared to $11,111,000 for the year-ago period.

Net income after tax for the quarter was $252,000 as compared to a loss of

$319,000 for the year-ago period. For the six-month period net income after tax was $385,000 as compared to $203,000 for the year-ago period. The number of shares outstanding on Sept. 30 were 189,286,000 and on June 30 were 112,286,000.

Operating earnings for the quarter were $293,000 as compared with a loss of $323,000 for the like period last year and the six-month operating earnings were $456,000 as compared to a loss of $286,000 last year.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the company had a positive working capital position of $4,566,000 vs. a deficit of $1,725,000 at year end, March 30, 1990. A capital infusion of $1.6 million was received from the issuance of preferred and common stock to a group of investors during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The new capital was used to settle all claims with creditors, resolve all disputes with various persons and entities, and to provide working capital. All defaults in the lending agreements between the company and its lenders have been cured.

The company reduced its long-term debt during the quarter by $550,000, and paid off $548,000 outstanding in short-term debt during the quarter. The company now has no short-term debt.

American Toxxic Control Inc. stock is traded on the NASDAQ system in the over-the-counter market with the symbol ATCX.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Gabe Sumner Tuesday announced his resignation as a co-chairman of the board, the senior executive vice president and a director of Communciations and Entertainment Corp. (NASDAQ:CECO/CECOA)(''ComEnt''), the president, chief operating officer and a director of Odyssey Entertainment Ltd. and a director of Double Helix Films Inc.

Among its other activities, Odyssey created Odyssey Distributors Ltd. which has become one of the most successful ''A'' film foreign sales groups. In the past two years, the company fully financed Sidney Lumet's ''Q & A,'' and co-financed Blake Edwards' ''Switch,'' starring Ellen Barkin, with HBO and Irwin Winkler's ''Guilty By Suspicion,'' starring Robert DeNiro, with Warner Bros.

All three films were done through joint ventures with Arnon Milchan's Regency Pictures.

ComEnt, based in Los Angeles, is engaged primarily in licensing the distribution rights to American and foreign feature-length films in foreign markets through its Odyssey division. The Double Helix division is engaged primarily in licensing the distribution of low- and medium-budget films overseas.

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LAS VEGAS, NV (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - On Nov. 6, SMARTSCAN Inc. and the government of Clark County, Nev., signed a contract for the automated conversion of more than 250,000 land parcels.

The project, which is valued at approximately $1.7 million, covers a 365-square-mile area in southern Nevada and encompasses the city of Las Vegas.

Assessed as well as unassessed Assessor's parcels and easements will be scanned and digitized, and all parcel-related data, including lot and block numbers, new parcel numbers and parcel dimensions will be automated.

SMARTSCAN will register the digitized information directly to Clark County's orthophoto images and report on any discrepancies encountered.

A county wide database that will allow Clark County -- percentage-wise, the fastest-growing metropolitan area in the nation -- to manage this unprecedented growth and deal effectively with the resulting water, traffic, pollution and other problems that normally accompany rapid urban development, will be the result when the project is completed in 1993.

SMARTSCAN Inc. is the leading automated GIS conversion services company, providing data conversion services to government agencies, natural resource companies and public utilities. SMARTSCAN uses proprietary scanning, artificial intelligence and interactive graphics technology to automate and improve the quality of the digitizing process.

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WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Incomnet said it has retained Gruntal Capital Markets to render services to the company as its investment banker and financial advisor pertaining to a sale of either all or a portion

of Incomnet's assets to a suitable third party either in the form of a strategic merger, or purchaser, or other alternatives.

The company said there is no assurance that a transaction will occur, but that it is interested in maximizing shareholder value.

Incomnet operates autoNETWORK the largest computerized auto network in the Western United States with approximately 400 customers on line. In addition, the company has a tax loss carryforward of approximately $15 million and is debt free.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - David A. Norman, chairman and chief executive officer of Businessland Inc. (NYSE:BLI), Tuesday announced the appointment of Edward R. Simon, Jr. as president and chief operating officer of the company.

Simon, who will be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the company, including sales and marketing, distribution and service and support, will serve on the Businessland executive committee and report directly to Norman.

Simon, 51, formerly served as president and chief operating officer of Herman Miller Inc., the international office furniture system manufacturer. During his career with Herman Miller Inc., which spanned more than 20 years, Simon held several management positions and served on the company's board of directors.

Having joined the company is 1970 as manager of MIS, he later served as vice president distribution, and as vice president operations. He was named senior vice president and chief financial officer in 1981. Simon became chief operating officer of the company in 1985 and was named president in 1986.

''Businessland is at a key juncture in its growth and I'm excited to join David and help implement the decisions that will return the company to its leadership position in the computer industry,'' Simon commented.

''The company continues to be one of the dominant providers of personal computers and networks to corporate America, and with new initiatives and decisive action we will reduce expenses to appropriate levels and gain back market share.''

Founded in 1982, Businessland Inc. is an international leader in the distribution, integration and support of microcomputer and workstation systems for business. The company integrates products from selected manufacturers to create systems tailored to specific customer needs and provides the high-level service and support to maximize their productivity.

Businessland operates centers and branch offices in 50 major U.S. metropolitan areas, five metropolitan markets in Great Britain, two in Germany, five in Canada and one in Japan. Businessland reported sales of $1.4 billion in fiscal 1990.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Masstor Systems Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:MSCO) Tuesday reported revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $8.2 million, compared to $16.3 million during the like quarter of 1989.

Net loss for the third quarter was $3.8 million, or 20 cents per share, compared to net income of $.8 million, or 4 cents per share in the like period of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues totalled $31.2 million, compared to $41.7 million for the like period a year ago. Net losses totalled $5.6 million, or 30 cents per share, compared to net income of $1.4 million, or 8 cents per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Masstor reported that decreased revenues in the third quarter were the result of delays in the completion and shipment of its new M1000 storage module, as well as delays in installation of existing products to certain customers. The reduced revenues reflected a 65 percent decrease in product sales as compared with the third quarter of 1989.

Masstor also announced a 15 percent reduction in worldwide headcount as well as a consolidation of sales offices and administrative functions, to reduce ongoing fixed operating expenses. As a result, it will take a restructuring charge of approximately $5 million (26 cents per share) in the fourth quarter due to the closing or downsizing of facilities and offices and layoffs.

Chairman David Addison stated, ''We have now shipped the first M1000 storage module to a European customer, for beta test, and we are focusing our efforts on completion of field testing of this product and delivering M1000's to other customers.''

Addison also stated that the significant expense in completing development of the M960 product family, which includes the M1000 product, Archive Management Facility (AMF) and Storage Management Executive (SMX) software, combined with delays in shipment of these products to customers, was adversely affecting the company's liquidity.

As previously announced, the company completed a $2 million bridge financing from Cygnus Ventures (formerly Vista Ventures) for working capital in early October. The company is negotiating with its principal lender and the holders of its debentures to delay or restructure its indebtedness, which it is unable to repay at this time.

Founded in 1976, Masstor Systems Corp. manufactures and services mass storage systems for IBM and Bull HN mainframe customers with very high volume applications. It has over 100 large company and institutional customers in 10 countries in North America and Europe.

Its focused business strategy helps MIS managers quickly leverage their huge installed mainframe investments by automating their storage processes and expanding their on-line applications.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - HarCor Energy Inc. (NASDAQ:HARC) announced the acquisition of interests in certain oil and gas properties in Lea County, N.M., for $275,300, which was fully financed through an existing $4 million revolving credit facility with Dutch-based NMB Postbank Groep n.v.

The purchase includes working interests in a 1,360-acre Waterflood unit with estimated proved reserves of 80,000 Bbls of oil for an acquisition cost of $3.44 per barrel. A minor interest in an additional property was also included in the purchase.

Francis Roth, president and chief operating officer, stated, ''This acquisition is a continuation of our efforts to acquire proved reserves at favorable prices while also focusing on properties which we feel have additional reserve potential.''

HarCor Energy is a Los Angeles-based independent oil and gas company with operations in the United States and in Canada through Consolidated HCO Energy

Ltd.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - James M. Gower, currently senior vice president of sales and marketing at Genentech, will be joining the venture capital firm of Accel Partners on Dec. 1.

This well-known biotechnology industry executive will become one of the firm's partners, driving Accel's growing commitment to investing in companies in the life sciences/healthcare field and helping these companies build a solid foundation for success.

James Gower, 42, joined Genentech as director of marketing in March 1981, was named vice president of marketing in October 1982, and was promoted to senior vice president of sales and marketing in December 1988.

During this period, Gower directed the establishment of Genentech's marketing and sales functions. He also oversaw the growth of a sales staff that now numbers nearly 300 people and is one of the five largest hospital-based sales forces in the pharmaceutical industry.

At the same time, he led the marketing effort to launch Genentech's two products, human growth hormone and the blood clot-dissolving agent, TPA, each of which has sales of more than $100 million a year.

Prior to joining Genentech, Gower was vice president of marketing at the American Critical Care Division of American Hospital Supply Corp., where he began his career. He received a B.S. in operations research and an M.B.A. in marketing from the University of Tennessee.

Accel Partners is a private venture capital firm focusing on businesses engaged in telecommunications, software and life sciences/healthcare. Over the past 18 years, the firm's partners have invested in more than 100 companies and have led investor groups in the creation of numerous public companies.

Recent investments include Isis Pharmaceuticals in San Diego; Viagene Inc. in San Diego; and Glycomed Inc. in Alameda, Calif.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Santa Fe Energy Partners L.P. announced an oil completion in Gonzales County, Texas which utilized horizontal drilling techniques.

The Meneley No. 1 was completed with initial test rates of 533 barrels of oil per day from the Austin Chalk formation. The well was drilled to a depth of 7,700 feet with horizontal extension of 3,800 feet.

A second horizontal well, the Cook No. 1, has been drilled to a depth of 6,200 feet with horizontal extension of 4,400 feet and is awaiting test. A third well, the Gescheidle No. 1, began drilling in early November and a fourth well is scheduled to be drilled in December. A five well development program is planned for 1991.

Santa Fe Energy Partners L.P. of Houston, Texas holds a 50 percent working interest and is the operator of this 13,000 acre prospect in Gonzales and Karnes Counties. Enserch Exploration Partners Ltd. of Dallas, Texas holds the remaining 50 percent working interest in the prospect. Additional acreage in the region is being pursued.

Santa Fe Energy Partners L.P. is a master limited partnership whose units are publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange using the symbol SFP. It is an affiliate of Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc., a large independent oil and gas exploration and production company with headquarters in Houston, and whose stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange using symbol SFR.

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PHOENIX (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Arizona Land Income Corp. (AMEX:AZL), an independent real estate trust, Tuesday announced earnings for the three month period ending Sept. 30, 1990.

For the operating period of July 1 through Sept. 30, 1990, the company had gross revenues of $494,819 compared to gross revenues of $808,962 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. This decrease was primarily attributable to a

reduction in interest received on first mortgage loans. This reduction in interest payments received was primarily the result of problems in the market for unimproved real property in the metropolitan Phoenix area.

Subsequently, the company has reported net income of $209,416, or 8 cents per share, for the period ending Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to net income of $283,626, or 10 cents per share, in the comparable prior period. A dividend of 10 cents per share was paid Oct. 16, 1990, to shareholders of record Sept. 28, 1990.

During the quarter, the company entered into a modification agreement in regards to one of its mortgage loans and agreed to accept a Deed in Lieu of Foreclosure on the property securing another of its mortgage loans.

The company anticipates accepting this Deed and taking title to the property during the month of November. The company also took a reserve of $150,000 on a property it anticipates receiving on a Deed in Lieu of Foreclosure. Also during the quarter, the company reduced its long term debt from $2,000,000 to $1,500,000 by the payment of $500,000 to its long term lender.

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SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Plexus Resources Corp. (NASDAQ:PLUSF)(TSE:PXS.) Tuesday announced results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30 ,1990, increased to $1,720,685 -- up $1,591,784 due primarily to sales of Plexus' share of precious metals from the Denton-Rawhide mine. Similarly, operating earnings increased four-fold as a result of the first full quarter of precious metal production from Denton-Rawhide, which has yet to reach full capacity production.

Sales during the quarter included 3,845 ounces of gold and 15,870 ounces of silver. Including a $48,712 gain from a gold loan repayment at a price less than the $420.24 borrowing cost, Plexus realized an average of $400.24/ounce from gold transactions and $4.79/ounce from silver sales.

Net loss for the three month period was $416,925 versus $260,983 for the same period in 1989. The increased loss was primarily due to increased interest expense and payroll costs during the quarter. The decline in loss per share from 5 cents in the first quarter of 1989 to 1990's first quarter loss of 4 cents reflects the issuance of 6,000,000 common shares in late June 1990 as a private placement to TOTAL Energold Corp.

Plexus Resources Corp. is an expanding U.S. natural resources organization with precious metals and oil and gas production as well as extensive base metals interests in development. The company's shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (PXS.) and are traded in the United States through NASDAQ (PLUSF).

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SUNNYVALE, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - DAVID Systems Inc. and Retix Tuesday announced an agreement whereby DAVID will market the Retix 2265 and 2265M Local LAN Bridges.

DAVID will supply the unit in two versions, the DAVID ExpressWay Local Bridge, Model 6215 (without SNMP) and the DAVID ExpressWay Local Bridge Model 6216 (with SNMP), both available January 1991.

The ExpressWay Local Bridge is a high-performance two-channel IEEE 802.3 Media Access Control (MAC) layer bridge. Self-configuring, the device increases effective LAN bandwidth by intelligent traffic filtering.

LAN reliability is improved by partitioning and segmentation. Channels can be individually configured for Ethernet or Thin Ethernet, allowing the unit to be used for conversion between these media. The Model 6216 also includes implementation of the IEEE 802.1 Spanning Tree Algorithm.

Prices of the two models are as follows: Model 6215, $2,775; Model 6216, $3,075. International versions are available.

Formed to enhance the role of integrated digital communication, DAVID Systems supplied its first Ethernet LAN products in 1985. As a technical leader in its field, DAVID holds six communications patents.

DAVID Systems products emphasize integrated solutions for LANs, voice and data which are easy to expand and adapt to changing customer needs.

The DAVID LAN product family includes the DAVID ExpressNet 10BASE-T Hub, Intelligent Concentrators (48 and 132 port), the DAVID ExpressView network management system, the VolksNet 10BASE-T Ethernet LAN for small network configurations, and the DAVID Ether-T Adapters for IBM personal computers and compatibles. DAVID Systems currently has over 180,000 ports of Ethernet installed worldwide.

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SAN BERNARDINO, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - United Parcel Service has awarded Kasler Corp. (NASDAQ:KASL) the contract for the construction of their new West Coast Air Facility.

This project includes extending Ontario's airport taxiway to a 55-acre apron, construction of a 550,000 square foot package-sorting facility, associated service facilities and major improvements to adjacent roadways and drainage systems.

Kasler is a general contractor engaged in the construction of concrete roadways, bridges and other public-works projects including airfields and water control distribution facilities.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) BIZWIRE - Bantam Electronic Publishing and Borland International Tuesday announced an agreement for publication by Bantam of a line of official Borland-endorsed Turbo Toolboxes that support Borland's Turbo Language software.

These book/disk packages, designed to work with and augment Borland's Turbo Pascal and Turbo C++ compilers, will supply programmers with ready-to-use routines to handle common programming challenges and to provide a standard means of prototyping applications.

The Turbo Toolboxes will be object oriented and designed for easy development. Topics to be covered include object-oriented graphics class libraries, asynchronous communications support tools, a text-editing library, game writing tools, and numerous analysis routines.

These Turbo Toolboxes, each consisting of a 500+ page book and accompanying diskettes, will provide programming tips and insights, along with the complete source code and documentation for the corresponding utilities.

The first Turbo Toolboxes to be published under this agreement are scheduled for publication in the second quarter of 1991, with a tentative list price of $59.95. The exact page and disk count for each of the Turbo Toolboxes will be announced prior to publication.

Bantam Computer Books are published by Bantam Electronic Publishing, a division of the Bantam Doubleday Dell Publishing Group Inc. Bantam Electronic Publishing is one of the fastest-growing computer book publishers to emerge in recent years.

Founded in November 1983, Bantam is committed to the introduction of timely, authoritative computer books and book/disks by well-respected industry experts in cooperation with leading hardware and software companies. Bantam Computer Books are available through major book and software chains, independent book stores, and book and software distributors.

Borland International is a leading developer of high-performance computer software products. Borland offers some of the world's most widely used software development tools and business applications, such as Turbo C++, Turbo Pascal with Objects, Turbo Debugger & Tools, Paradox, Quattro Pro and Sidekick.

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TUSTIN, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Luther Medical Products Inc. (NASDAQ:LUTH) Tuesday announced the availability of a new line of long-term intravenous catheters ideal for home care usage.

Like all Luther Medical products, the company's new Peripheral Inserted Central Catheter, or PICC line, features new technology that offers unique benefits to both patients and healthcare workers.

The company concurrently announced its first-quarter results for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991. For the period ending Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a 13 percent increase in revenues of $623,443 vs. revenues of $552,823 for the first quarter last year. The net loss for the quarter totalled $31,942, or $.002 per share, vs. losses of $50,301, or $.004 for the same period last year.

In developing its PICC line product, Luther incorporated a new polyurethane material called ''Tecoflex'' which remains soft yet strong for a 30-day period. The catheter's unique durability eliminates painful re-insertions

required with standard Teflon catheters that require changing every 48 to 72 hours.

The PICC line makes use of Luther's patented ''Peel-away'' needle system which permits nurses to insert the Tecoflex catheter. Once insertion is made, the needle literally peels away from the catheter and can be safely discarded.

Luther is beginning immediately to both manufacture and market its PICC line product. The company expects to see PICC line contribute to sales by the second quarter.

Regarding the first quarter just ended, management attributed the improvement in performance to changes in its product mix and reduction of research and development expense. The company had previously projected substantially higher first-quarter losses which were contained by reductions in research and development and general administrative expenses.

Revenue increases are mainly attributable to the introduction of the company's new LMB Series 4.0 portable EMG instruments manufactured and marketed by Luther's subsidiary, Neuro Diagnostics Inc. (NDI).

Brisk sales of the technologically innovative instrument helped to offset a decrease in revenues from catheter production as a result of the company's agreement to turn over manufacture of the PROTECTIV catheter to Critikon Inc., the Johnson & Johnson company which markets the product.

In 1987, the company introduced an innovative over-the-needle catheter product (now marketed under the name PROTECTIV) which is designed to minimize the transmission of infectious diseases through accidental needle sticks. That same year, Luther acquired NDI, a manufacturer and distributor of high-technology human nervous system testing equipment.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlanta Gold Corp. is pleased to announce that it has granted an exploration option to Newmont Exploration Ltd. with regard to the Atlanta Gold Properties located in Elmore County, Idaho.

The shareholders will be asked to approve the granting of this option to Newmont at Atlanta Gold's Annual General Meeting on Dec. 14, 1990.

Last year's Economic and Technical Feasibility Study by the engineering partnership of Behre Dolbear & Co. Inc. and Bateman Engineers Inc. confirmed

the open pit mineable reserve figures of 1,024,000 ounces of gold and 2,516,000 ounces of silver at the Atlanta Gold Properties and concluded that, subject to pilot plant confirmation of the economics of the chosen metallurgical recovery process for the refractory Atlanta orebody, an optimized mining plan at $375 and $400/ounce gold would result in an acceptable return on Investment.

The company presented and reviewed the Feasibility Study and our extensive geological, environmental and engineering data with mining companies interested in joint venturing project development and who have the resources needed to assist in financing and sharing the inherent risk of developing a large, capital-intensive mining project and a short list of interested parties was made up.

In July 1990, Behre Dolbear & Co. Inc. was engaged to submit a report on the short and long term strategies and alternatives for furtherance of the Atlanta Gold Project.

They strongly recommended that Atlanta Gold not consider undertaking alone any of the following alternatives: developing to production the oxide ore, commissioning pilot plant testing of the bio-oxidation process, commencing exploration of the high-grade, underground mineable ore potential or updating the Feasibility Study of 1989 -- but that Atlanta Gold should joint venture the project with an established, well recognized mining company.

The various proposals received from the short listed mining companies were reviewed, with the result being that none were found to be acceptable until the receipt of Newmont's proposal.

CONTACT: Atlanta Gold Corp., Vancouver
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OKLAHOMA CITY, OK (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The Phoenix Resource Cos. Inc. (PSE:PHN) Tuesday reported income of $1.6 million, or 10 cents per common share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, on revenues of $7.8 million.

For the same period of 1989 the company reported a loss of $1 million on revenues of $5.8 million. On a pro forma basis, adjusting for the effects of the reorganization which became effective in April 1990, the loss for the third quarter of 1989 would have been $1.1 million, or 7 cents per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 income of $2.5 million on revenues of $17.3 million was reported, compared to a loss of $4.3 million on revenues of $20.6 million for the same period of 1989. On a pro forma basis, income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, would have been $0.2 million, or 1 cent

per common share, compared to a loss of $4.5 million, or 27 cents per common share, for the same period of 1989.

The Phoenix Resource Cos. Inc. is an oil and gas exploration and production company headquartered in Oklahoma City, Okla. with its primary producing properties in the Western Desert of the Arab Republic of Egypt. It is the successor to Texas International Co. by reorganization which became effective in April 1990.

CONTACT: The Phoenix Resource Cos. Inc., Oklahoma City
Debora Bingham, 405/728-5100

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Investment Real Estate Trust (ASE:WIR) reported Tuesday that operating revenues for the third quarter increased 16 percent to a record $7,917,000 as compared to $6,811,000 in 1989.

Operating revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 rose 16 percent to a record $23,466,000 as compared to $20,145,000 for the like period in 1989. O.A. Talmage, president and chief executive officer, said the revenue gain over the third quarter 1989 is due, in part, to income generated from recent community shopping center investments.

Also contributing to the improved results were increases in rents from the Trust's existing real estate portfolio due to scheduled increases, increased percentage rents, consumer price index adjustments and renegotiation of leases.

The Trust declared a dividend of 36 1/2 cents per share payable Dec. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 23, 1990. The dividend is the Trust's 107th consecutive quarterly dividend and a 1 1/2 cent or 4 percent increase over the 35 cents paid the like quarter last year. The indicated annual dividend rate based on the Dec. 15, 1990 dividend is $1.46 per share.

Beginning in 1991, increases in the dividend rate will be considered on an annual basis. It continues to be the Trust's conservative practice to pay dividends solely from operating cash flow on a quarterly basis.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income before gains on sales of real estate investments rose 30 percent to $4,278,000 compared to $3,288,000 in 1989.

Net income before gains on sales of real estate investments for the quarter was 27 cents per share, based on 16,082,856 weighted average number of shares outstanding, compared to 27 cents per share, based on 12,186,690 weighted average number of shares outstanding for the like period in 1989.

For the quarter, depreciation and amortization expense increased to $1,738,000 or 11 cents per share compared to $1,139,000 or 9 cents per share in 1989.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income before gains on sales of real estate investments was $13,779,000, or 86 cents per share compared to $9,808,000, or 81 cents per share for the like period in 1989, an increase on a per share basis of 6 percent.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, depreciation and amortization expense increased to $4,457,000, or 28 cents per share compared to $3,355,000, or 28 cents per share in 1989.

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Chester R. MacPhee Jr., 415/929-0211

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OAKLAND, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Summit Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ:SUBN) at a meeting held on Nov. 7, 1990, has voted to declare a cash dividend of 12 cents per share on the outstanding common stock of the company payable Dec. 18, 1990, to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Nov. 23, 1990.

CONTACT: Summit Bank, Oakland
Shirley W. Nelson, 415/839-8800

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DETROIT (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Computer Systems Tuesday announced MANMAN/AUTOMOTIVE, a complete electronic data interchange (EDI) and release accounting system for automotive suppliers.

MANMAN/AUTOMOTIVE is the newest addition to MANMAN, ASK's complete manufacturing information system that supports accounting, manufacturing, order management and other planning functions.

MANMAN is the first closed loop corporate-wide information system from a major supplier that offers integrated automotive functionality from the receipt of an electronic release to the transmission of an advance shipment notice. Many other systems offer merely an interface to a third-party's EDI and release accounting system.

''Automotive suppliers are obliged to meet the EDI and release accounting requirements specified by their customers, the auto makers,'' commented Peter West, vice president of Business Development. ''MANMAN/AUTOMOTIVE allows automotive suppliers to meet these requirements with a standard product that

is more cost-effective and faster to implement than custom systems.''

ASK anticipates that its relationship with EDS Corp., which includes a 20 percent equity investment in ASK and a joint marketing agreement, will contribute significantly to the success of this product. EDS, an independently operated subsidiary of General Motors, develops, maintains and supports information systems used by GM to interface with its suppliers and customers.

EDS will offer MANMAN/AUTOMOTIVE, along with other ASK management information system applications, to manufacturers that have engaged EDS for outsourcing or systems integration services.

MANMAN/AUTOMOTIVE will be part of the EDS Center of Expertise dedicated to marketing MANMAN. EDS will also augment ASK's automotive engineering and support services.

The domestic automotive supplier market consists of approximately 5,800 domestic manufacturers. To address the specific needs of this large market, ASK formed a dedicated automotive engineering and support group and an Automotive Business Unit, both located in Detroit.

In keeping with its tradition of involving customers in the product design process, ASK established an Automotive User Advisory Council comprised of 42 of the leading automotive suppliers.

MANMAN/AUTOMOTIVE is integrated with MANMAN/OMAR (order management) and MANMAN/MFG (manufacturing functions) to provide users with the visibility and control of current customer demand to effectively manage planning, production and decision-making.

It is easy to install because it requires no special programming or table definitions; and it is easy to use because it is window- and menu-driven.

CONTACT: ASK Computer Systems, Mountain View, Calif.
Karen Marvin, 415/335-5527
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FRANKTOWN, CO (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - DCX Inc. Tuesday announced the award of a total of $633,000 of F-16 Fighting Falcon contracts to DCX Inc. from General Dynamics Fort Worth, Texas, division in the area of cable assemblies.

The current series of contracts, $279,000 awarded in September and $360,000 awarded in October, includes the design and engineering development of a prototype connector for preflight test set equipment used by maintenance

personnel to analyze functions in the F-16 as well as production contracts for stores management system cable assemblies to meet critical General Dynamics manufacturing schedules for the next fourteen months.

With these most recent awards, the DCX Inc. contract backlog climbs to $3.9 million, according to Jeanne Anderson, vice president and general manager. ''We are very pleased to be able to work closely with General Dynamics and to bring our ''Quality to a Schedule'' philosophy to bear on their timephasing requirements,'' she stated.

DCX Inc. plans to continue providing quality products on time at competitive cost to its customers, thereby increasing its manufacturing base and its ability to retain its highly advantageous pricing capabilities.

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Fred Beisser, 303/688-6070

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CONTACT: Summit Bank, Oakland
Shirley W. Nelson, 415/839-8800.

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STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Warrantech Corp. (NASDAQ:WTEC) Tuesday announced two key promotions within its management team.

Richard Rodriguez has been appointed as vice president of operations, and Steven M. Thomas has been appointed as vice president of sales for Warrantech Consumer Product Services, a newly formed subsidiary of the company.

Rodriguez has been with Warrantech for more than four years. Prior to this promotion, Rodriguez was national service manager for the company. His new responsibilities will include the operations of the company's Management of Information Systems and service department as well as all personnel functions corporate-wide.

Rodriguez boasts an impressive reputation in the service contract and consumer products business, with over 15 years' experience.

Thomas, another key person in Warrantech's young and aggressive management team, brings more than eight years' experience in the service contract industry to his new position. Formerly, Thomas was Warrantech's national retail sales manager. His new responsibilities include directing the company's Retail and Original Equipment Manufacturer sales divisions as well as coordinating and implementing new marketing programs.

He will also supervise all corporate and field sales personnel.

Rodriguez will relocate to the company's facility in Texas, while Thomas will remain located at Warrantech's executive headquarters in Stamford.

Warrantech Corp. administers service contracts for consumer electronic products, appliances and home office equipment. Through Warrantech Dealer Based Services Inc., the company administers service contracts for automobiles and recreational vehicles.

CONTACT: Wall Street Financial Corp., Los Angeles
Harley R. Gleckman or Edda Brown, 213/552-1555

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Shuzo Moroto, chairman of Aisin A.W. Co. Ltd., a subsidiary of Toyota, and Ayao Wada, president, Ultech Corp., announced Tuesday that they have created a joint venture in California called A.W. & Associates (AWA).

The company will develop and manufacture products that use compressed digital video. Currently in initial development is the first practical and economical videophone, for use in automobiles and offices.

The video telephone fits into an automobile dashboard and transmits video and voice using standard cellular telephone lines. The video telephone will be capable of transmitting and receiving full-color video. The technology avoids several critical performance and cost problems that have plagued other attempts at video communications. This advancement in videophones is due, in part, to some very recent developments from the laboratories at Irvine-based UVC Corp., which specializes in real-time video compression.

The videophone has been designed with digital controls for most functions. High-level microcode in firmware provides adjustments for everything from color balance to audio grain. A touch keypad with preset functions is built into the videopone to allow easy and comfortable operation. The video telephone will be manufactured in California.

AWA will draw upon the talents and resources of both Aisin and Ultech to develop a variety of other video compression products for itself and for

others. The company offers comprehensive design, manufacturing and marketing services for companies wishing to add compressed digital video products to their existing product lines. Product information: A.W. & Associates, 16800 Aston St., Irvine, Calif., 92714. Tel: 714/975-7945 Fax: 714/975-7948.

CONTACT: Rogers & Cowan Inc., Los Angeles
Kay Dangaard or Karen Lee, 213/201-8800.

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UNIVERSAL CITY, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Cine-Source Inc. (NASDAQ:FILM) announced that it has extended the exercise term of its Class A and Class B common stock purchase warrants, set to expire on Nov. 15, 1990, for a period of six months.

Accordingly, each Class A common stock purchase warrant is exercisable at $2 per share, until 5 p.m., mountain time on May 15, 1991 and each Class B common stock purchase warrant is exercisable at $4 per share, until 5 p.m., mountain time on May 15, 1991.

CONTACT: Cine-Source Inc., Universal City
Robert W. Whitmore, 818/509-7330

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NAPA, CA (NOV. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Crystal Geyser Water Co., the largest American owned sparkling mineral water and natural beverage company, announced Tuesday its continued belief in the strength of the natural beverage market.

''We believe this product recall by Koala Springs will not have a negative impact on the overall natural beverage industry,'' said Crystal Geyser Chairman Peter Gordon.

''Our experience from the Perrier benzene recall indicates that customers will simply switch from imported brands to American brands,'' said Gordon.

''Just as our Sparkling Mineral water was an immediate choice during the Perrier benzene recall, we see customers turning to our Juice Squeeze product line for a great tasting alternative to the recalled Koala Springs products; especially when they find out about our much higher juice content.''

''As an American company, we have to comply with very stringent regulations,'' said Gordon. ''None of our natural beverage products have any benzene. We want to reassure our customers that we have the best and safest products on the market.''

CONTACT: Barson Armstrong, Napa
Paul Wagner, 707/255-7666

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TORONTO (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - NHI Nelson Holdings International Ltd. (ASE/ToSE/VcSE:NNH) (''Nelson'' or the ''company'') Tuesday announced financial results (in U.S. dollars) for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In line with the company's earlier prediction, total revenues for the third quarter were $18,407,000 compared with $30,295,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The net loss for the third quarter of 1990 was $5,162,000 compared with net income of $3,831,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

The 1990 third-quarter loss included approximately $3 million of additional amortization relating to certain television projects which had been in development and reserves relative to Nelson Vending Technology Limited (''NVT''), the company's 69 percent owned subsidiary.

After taking account of the company's preferred dividend requirements and an extraordinary item of approximately $2.1 million related to the repurchase of certain debentures, Nelson's net loss per common share was $1.38 in the third quarter of 1990 compared with net income per common and common equivalent share of 69 cents in the third quarter of 1989.

The weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding for the quarter were 4,334,335 compared with 4,267,075 shares in the same period a year ago.

Nelson consolidates the operating results of NVT. Approximately $3.5 million of the company's operating loss and approximately $2.2 million of the company's net loss was attributable to this consolidation during the quarter.

Total revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $54,008,000 compared with $68,526,000 for the same period in 1989. The net loss was $12,077,000 compared with a net income of $1,540,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

The loss per common share in the first nine months of 1990 and 1989, after taking account of the company's preferred dividend requirements, was $3.33 for 1990 compared with 29 cents for 1989. The 1990 weighted average common shares outstanding for the nine months was 4,334,335 compared with 3,793,933 shares in 1989.

Commenting on these developments, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Richard Northcott, stated: ''Nelson's third-quarter performance reflects an absence

of any new titles released into either the theatrical or video market comparable to the very successful theatrical release of ''When Harry Met Sally'' and video release of ''Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure'' in the third quarter of 1989.

NHI Nelson Holdings International Ltd. is the holding company for the Nelson Entertainment Group and for 69 percent owned Nelson Vending Technology Limited.

CONTACT: Nelson Entertainment, Beverly Hills, Calif.
Peter Graves, 213/285-6150

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Hotel Investors Trust, a real estate investment trust and Hotel Investors Corp., whose shares are paired and trade together (NYSE:HOT), Tuesday announced a third quarter net loss for 1990 of $3,012,000, or 25 cents per share, as compared with a net loss of $1,091,000, or 9 cents per share, for the same period last year.

Cash flow from operations (defined as income before gains on asset sales, plus depreciation and amortization) for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $1,006,000, or 8 cents per share, as compared with cash flow from operations of $2,579,000, or 21 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Hotel Investors Trust and Hotel Investors Corp. also announced a combined nine-month net loss for 1990 of $5,220,000, or 43 cents per share, as compared with a nine-month 1989 net loss of $1,335,000, or 11 cents per share.

1989 results included gains on asset sales of $156,000, or 1 cent per share. Cash flow from operations generated during the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $5,975,000, or 49 cents per share, as compared with $8,699,000, or 72 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Management attributed the widening of the third-quarter and nine-month losses to weakness in the companies' gaming operations and to increased interest expense and depreciation charges associated with acquisitions and renovations made in the past two years.

Hotel Investors Trust and Hotel Investors Corp. also announced Tuesday that they have commenced distributing proxy statements in connection with the Special Meetings of Shareholders and Stockholders scheduled for Dec. 20, 1990. These meetings are being held in order to vote upon the proposed sale of the companies' interests in 27 hotels for $152,200,000.

CONTACT: Hotel Investors Trust, Los Angeles
Brian J. Farrell, 213/207-2505

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VANCOUVER, B.C. (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Cornucopia Resources Ltd. and Galactic Resources Ltd. announce encouraging assay results have been obtained from deep exploratory drilling on their Ivanhoe Joint Venture on Nevada's Carlin Gold Trend.

The 1990 deep exploration drilling program in the Hatter Area, located approximately one mile east of the Hollister Deposit and consisting of four drill holes totalling approximately 6,400 feet, is now complete. Two of the holes encountered anomalous, but uneconomic, gold mineralization associated with pyritic alteration.

The final hole of the program was drilled to a depth of 1905 feet. Between 1740 feet and 1760 feet of depth, a 20-foot interval of heavily quartz-veined porphyritic rock, characteristic of intrusive rock, was intercepted. Within the 20-foot zone of mineralization, assay results indicated a five-foot interval grading 2.070 oz./ton gold and another five-foot interval grading 0.854 oz./ton of gold. Zones immediately above and below these high grade intervals contained lower grade gold values such that the entire 20-foot interval averages 0.736 oz./ton gold.

The Ivanhoe Joint Venture exploration program is funded on the basis of a 50/50% joint venture between Touchstone Resources and Ivanhoe Gold Co., which are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Cornucopia Resources Ltd. and Galactic Resources Ltd., respectively. Touchstone Resources Co. is the exploration manager on the Ivanhoe Property. Galactic Resources Ltd. owns 16.34 % of the common shares of Cornucopia Resources Ltd.

Galactic Resources Ltd. produces gold at the Ridgeway Gold Mine in South Carolina with partner Kennecott Ridgeway Mining Co. (an indirect subsidiary of The RTZ Corp. PLC) and its Ivanhoe Gold Mine in Nevada as well as its wholly owned Summitville Mine in Colorado. Galactic Resources Ltd. also has precious metal development projects in California, Canada, and the Philippines. Galactic Resources Ltd. trades on the American, Toronto, and Montreal Stock Exchanges.

Cornucopia Resources Ltd. trades on the U.S. NASDAQ System (CNPGF) an is listed on the Toronto and Vancouver Stock Exchanges (CNP.T, CNP.V).

CONTACT: Galactic Resources Ltd., Vancouver
Peter J. Guest, 604/687-7169
or
Cornucopia Resources Ltd., Vancouver
Ben Johnson Jr., 604/687-0619.

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IRVINE, CALIF (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Russell E. Leatherby, president and chief operating officer of UniCARE Financial Corp. will assume the additional title of chairman and chief executive officer, effective Nov. 15, 1990, the company announced Tuesday.

Ralph W. Leatherby, the company founder, current chairman and chief executive officer will become chairman emeritus.

Russell Leatherby will also assume the title of chairman and chief executive officer of UniCARE Insurance Co., its principal subsidiary. Prior to being named president and chief operating officer of UniCARE in 1988 Leatherby also served as secretary, general counsel and a member of the board of directors.

Ralph Leatherby commenting on the appointment said, ''I am pleased to announce the appointment of Russ to this new post as part of an ongoing management transition plan which will provide for a continuation of the strong corporate qualities which have long separated UniCARE as an industry leader.''

''I intend to continue an active future participation in the company; however, the time has come to pass the baton to a new generation of leadership.''

UniCARE Financial recently reported record operating results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, with revenues reaching $70,739,000 and net income of $6,394,000, or $1.17 per share, compared with the prior year nine-months revenues of $52,028,000 and net income of $5,550,000, or $1.02 per share.

UniCARE Financial, through its subsidiary UniCARE Insurance, is engaged in the business of underwriting workers' compensation insurance in California, targeting larger accounts and emphasizing service to its policyholders.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Sceptre Resources Ltd. announced Tuesday operating and financial results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990; its outlook for full-year 1990 results and the company's plan to conduct an expanded 1991 capital investment program, emphasizing domestic exploration and an extensive horizontal drilling program.

Sceptre's crude oil and liquids production demonstrated significant growth through the first nine months of 1990, averaging 21,705 barrels per day, an increase of 24 percent over the 17,453 barrels per day produced during the first three quarters of 1989. The increase in oil and liquids production was

led by strong crude oil sales through the first three quarters of 1990. Crude oil production for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 32 percent to 19,311 barrels per day. The company remains confident that growth in crude oil and liquids production will be maintained through the final quarter of 1990 with full-year sales expected to average at or near 22,000 barrels per day.

Natural gas sales during the first three quarters of 1990 averaged 142.9 million cubic feet per day, a decline of six percent from 152.0 million cubic feet per day in 1989. The direct sale component of Sceptre's natural gas production continued to increase during the initial nine months of 1990 averaging 46 million cubic feet per day, up 39 percent compared to the first three quarters of 1989. However, the strong increase in direct-sale volumes was more than offset by a 17 percent decline in sales under the company's system sale contracts and by Sceptre's decision to shut in natural gas rather than aggressively discount price to compete in the depressed summer spot market.

For 1991, the company is planning an aggressive capital program of $95 million with a major emphasis on domestic exploration, particularly for natural gas, and a greatly expanded horizontal drilling program. The 1991 capital budget will be fully funded from cash flow, with a projected surplus of funds in 1991 available to continue the company's debt reduction program.

Sceptre is a large Canadian petroleum exploration, production and marketing company listed on The Toronto, Montreal and American stock exchanges under the symbol SRL.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The MacNeal-Schwendler Corp. (MSC) (ASE:MNS) has again earned a listing on the Forbes 1990 list of ''The 200 Best Small Companies in America.''

MSC, a Los Angeles-based developer of computer software products for computer-aided engineering (CAE) applications, ranked 42nd on the list. The magazine's current year ranking of top small firms was published in the Nov. 12 issue.

Forbes evaluated companies nationwide with sales between $5 million and $350 million. The 200 firms that met the requirements of the Forbes list were ranked according to their five-year average return on equity. MSC earned a 24 percent five-year average return on equity (ROE shows annual profits as a percent of net worth).

MSC, with headquarters in Los Angeles, develops, markets and supports computer software products for computer-aided engineering applications. The company's principal product is MSC/NASTRAN, a sophisticated computer program used by designers and engineers to analyze the strength and dynamic response of structures or products prior to construction or manufacture.

MSC/NASTRAN is marketed worldwide through MSC's offices in the United States, the Far East and Europe.

CONTACT: The MacNeal-Schwendler Corp., Los Angeles
Kenn G. Morris, 213/259-3830

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SAN RAFAEL, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Valley Forge Corp. (ASE:VF) reports net income of $144,000, or 8 cents per share, and $1,920,000, or $1.10 per share, for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, respectively.

The board of directors declared a regular dividend of 7-1/2 cents per share payable Dec. 18 to shareholders of record on Dec. 7.

The board of directors also authorized additional purchases of up to 50,000 shares of its common stock. The purchases will be made periodically through either open market or negotiated transactions.

CONTACT: Valley Forge Corp., San Rafael
D.R. Brining, 415/492-1500

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#90317b0284 11/13/1990 ~Business Wire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The MacNeal-Schwendler Corp. (ASE:MNS) Tuesday reported record revenues and strong earnings during the third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Revenues for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990 were $14,422,000, an increase of 30 percent over the $11,117,000 reported for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1989. Income from operations of $4,418,000 represents a 38 percent increase over the $3,199,000 reported for the third quarter of last year.

Net income for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990 was $3,006,000, compared with $2,283,000 reported for the same period of the prior year. Income per share of 25 cents was up 32 percent, or 6 cents per share, from the third quarter of the prior year.

The nine-month revenue figure of $40,658,000 represents a 23 percent growth

over the $33,066,000 reported for the comparable period last year. Income from operations grew to $12,038,000 from $10,131,000, an increase of 19 percent.

Net income for the nine-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990 was $8,172,000, or 68 cents per share, compared with $7,146,000, or 59 cents per share, reported during the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1989.

The MacNeal-Schwendler Corp., with headquarters in Los Angeles, markets computer software products for computer-aided engineering (CAE) applications. The company's principal product is MSC/NASTRAN, a sophisticated computer program used by designers and engineers to analyze the strength characteristics and dynamic response to structures or products prior to construction or manufacture.

CONTACT: The MacNeal-Schwendler Corp., Los Angeles
Louis A. Greco, 213/258-9111

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BELLEVUE, WASH. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Thousand Trails Inc. (OTC:TRLS) Tuesday announced net earnings of $1.2 million, or 5 cents per share, on total revenues of $25.2 million for the first fiscal quarter of 1991, which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares to net earnings of $1.4 million, or 6 cents per share, on total revenues of $24.9 million for the like quarter last year. Earnings declined slightly in the current quarter due primarily to a lower margin from membership sales and higher general and administrative costs.

Thousand Trails Inc. operates one of the largest membership-based destination campground resort systems in the United States. The company owns, operates and sells memberships in a network of 39 campground resorts in 15 states and in British Columbia, Canada. Over 100,000 families are members.

Thousand Trails Inc.
Consolidated Results of Operations
(Dollars in thousands except per share data)

	(Unaudited) Three Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$ 25,153	$ 24,940
Net Earnings	$ 1,239	$ 1,466
Earnings per share:		
Net earnings	5 cents	6 cents

Weighted average number of shares of common stock and common stock equivalents outstanding	24,021,161	24,021,162

CONTACT: Thousand Trails Inc., Bellevue
Walter B. Jaccard, 206/455-3155

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VANCOUVER, BC (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp. (NASDAQ Symbol: CLCDF; VSE Symbol: CLV), the registered holder of the trademark ''Clearly Canadian'', Tuesday announced that it has entered into a distribution agreement with Pure Beverage Inc.

Under the terms of the agreement, Pure Beverage Inc. will handle distribution of ''Clearly Canadian'' in the states of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Arkansas, reaching 25.5 million potential consumers. Pure Beverage Inc. has placed an initial order for 200,000 cases and it is anticipated that distribution will commence prior to Dec. 31, 1990.

Pure Beverage principals are The SDVP Group, the largest worldwide marketer of classified Chateau Bordeaux wines. Phillippe Hernandez, president of The SDVP Group (Amerique), stated, ''This expansion of our business interest is consistent with our diversification into leading premium adult beverages.''

Clearly Canadian Beverage Corp., produces and markets 'Clearly Canadian,' a line of natural and flavored sparkling mineral waters. Through distribution agreements, 'Clearly Canadian' is available in 45 states, all of Canada, Japan and England.

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by
Keith L. Lippert Associates, New York
Katherine T. Martin, 212/838-3777

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Macronix Inc., the San Jose-based maker of PC fax/modem products, has signed a vendor agreement with The ASCII Group Inc. and a distribution agreement with Check Mate Computer Supplies Inc.

The Washington, D.C.-based ASCII Group is the third largest computer storefront company, with annual sales of over $1.5 billion. The ASCII Group will add more than 500 computer stores to Macronix's retail channel across the country.

ASCII is an association of independently owned computer stores. To support member stores, Macronix has also signed a distribution agreement with one of the existing ASCII Group distributors, Check Mate Computer Supplies Inc.

Check Mate, headquartered in Stoughton, Mass., is a distributor of computer supplies and accessories from over 75 manufacturers, and has a customer base of more than 10,000 dealers, VARs and retail stores.

Check Mate will be distributing the entire Macronix line of PC fax/modems, including the MaxFax 9624 and MaxFax II for desktop PCs; the MaxFax 9624LT-T for Toshiba laptops; the MaxFax 9624LT-C for Compaq's LTE; the MaxLite/PC portable for IBM-compatibles; and the MaxLite/M portable for Macintoshes.

Macronix also offers the MaxPower intelligent power strip, which is capable of automatically powering up a computer to receive a fax or modem call, then shutting it down.

Macronix Inc., based in San Jose, is composed of three strategic business units: The TeleImaging Systems Group (fax/modems, scanners), Macronix Components Group (semiconductors) and American Video Entertainment (video games).

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Distributed Computing Solutions (DISCOS) Tuesday announced it has licensed its UniTree file and storage management software to FPS Computing for its Model 500 family of supercomputers.

UniTree is a UNIX-based, hierarchical file and storage management system for networked, multivendor computing environments. It is the product of a 10-year development program at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

UniTree is a tool for managing large volumes of data in high-performance computing. It provides productivity gains, cost savings and enhanced efficiency in the complex, distributed, multivendor and data-intensive computing environments of the '90s.

When UniTree is installed on a supported platform and configured with appropriate storage peripherals, it provides the user with an apparently unlimited on-line storage capacity. Any client system that supports NFS and/or FTP access and provides a network interface to Ethernet, FDDI, HIPPI,

HYPERchannel or UltraNet can provide its users with access to a UniTree central file server.

FPS Computing is integrating UniTree into its new Data Management and Automated Storage Strategy (DMASS), the first integrated system for mid-range supercomputers that provides the broad information management capabilities necessary for high-end supercomputing.

DMASS is an integrated information management solution, centered on FPS state-of-the-art SPARC/RISC supercomputers, consisting of the UniTree intelligent file and storage management system, Maximum Strategy's HIPPI Data Storage System and an implementation of the ANSI X3T9.3 High-Performance Parallel Interface (HIPPI).

Distributed Computing Solutions is a division of General Atomics, a San Diego-based research and development company. DISCOS was formed in 1988 and charted to market computer software for distributed computing applications.

Founded in 1970 as Floating Point Systems, FPS Computing designs, manufactures and markets high-performance computing solutions for scientific, engineering and technical applications worldwide.

The company has one of the largest installed bases of high-performance supercomputing equipment in the industry. Its product lines include UNIX supercomputers and specialized processors. FPS corporate headquarters is located in Beaverton, Ore.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - MarCor Resorts, Inc. (MAAR/NASDAQ) today announced operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990.

Revenues for quarter ended September 30, 1990 were $15,042,117, compared to $1,117,616 for the third quarter of 1989. The company reported a third quarter loss of $773,268, or $0.11 per share for the period ended September 30 1990, compared to a $483,445 or $0.07 per share loss for the third quarter of 1989. Weighted average shares outstanding were 7,494,991 and 6,469,476 for the 1990 and 1989 periods, respectively.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, revenues were $47,553,913

compared to $4,052,378 in 1989. The company reported a net loss of $1,001,609 or $0.14 per share compared to a 1989 profit of $109,454 or $0.01 per share for the nine months. Weighted average shares outstanding were 7,494,991 and 6,460,598 for the 1990 and 1989 periods, respectively.

The company opened its initial gaming property, the $94 million Rio Suite Hotel & Casino, on January 15, 1990. Prior year financial data are not directly comparable to current results since the opening of the Rio has had a material effect on the MarCor's financial statements, and the company changed from a fiscal to a calendar year in 1990.

On Sept. 27, 1990, MarCor announced that final regulatory approval was received for the company's acquisition of limited partnership interests in MarCor Resorts, L.P. V, the partnership which owns and operates the Rio and the 125 acre Old Vegas property in adjacent Henderson, Nevada. The transaction increased MarCor's ownership in the partnership from 34.9 percent to 95.75 percent.

In addition to being the the principal owner and operator of the nation's first all-suite hotel/casino, MarCor Resorts and controlled entities own 185 acres in the greater Las Vegas areas targeted for the development of future gaming resorts and ancillary uses.

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SAN ANTONIO, TX (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - OFFICE PRODUCTS OF AMERICA INC. (NASDAQ:OPOAA, OPOAU, OPOAW) Tuesday announced the successful grand opening of its seventh Office Stop office supply warehouse store.

Located at 945 Route 2 in Warwick, R.I., the new warehouse will not only service the immediate Warwick market but is conveniently positioned to attract Providence business as well. The store occupies approximately 30,000 square feet and is located one half mile south of the Rhode Island Mall assuring consistent traffic flow.

Thomas Klimback, president and chief executive officer of OFFICE PRODUCTS OF AMERICA INC., stated: ''We are pleased to announce the successful grand opening of OFFICE PRODUCTS OF AMERICA's seventh store, which opened as scheduled. The Warwick store represents the company's first venture in the New England region.''

Klimback continued: ''The Warwick market possesses a high concentration of small- to medium-sized businesses as well as a large number of in-home offices. We are confident that the Warwick market will be an important

contributor to the company's sustained revenue growth.

''We feel very strongly that the New England area, with a population of over 13 million, is a key to the growth potential of OFFICE PRODUCTS OF AMERICA. Accordingly, it is the company's intention to open Office Stop stores in Rochester, N.Y., and Hartford, Conn., in the first quarter of calendar 1991 as well as solidify the company's niche in the Rhode Island market by opening an additional Office Stop store in Providence at a later date.''

OFFICE PRODUCTS OF AMERICA INC. operates Office Stop warehouses offering general office supplies, office equipment, office furniture and other business-related products at discounts of 30 percent to 70 percent below manufactuers' suggested retail list prices.

The company plans to open Office Stop warehouses throughout the New England, Middle Atlantic and selected South Atlantic states.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Bill Gates, chairman and chief executive officer, Microsoft Corp., tops the list in Computer Reseller News' (CRN) eighth annual ranking of the 25 most influential executives in the personal computer industry.

The weekly newspaper announced the results Tuesday in Las Vegas at Comdex, the world's largest computer exposition.

Ray Noorda, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Novell Inc., came in second. Immediately trailing him were David House, president of Intel Corp.'s Microcomputer Systems Group; Rod Canion, president and chief executive officer of Compaq Computer; and Jeff McKeever, chief executive officer of MicroAge Computer Stores.

John Russell, editor-in-chief of Computer Reseller News, said Gates earned the top spot in the publication's list by virtue of his company's ''market dominance, the incredible acceptance of Windows 3.0 and sheer determination.'' Russell called Windows 3.0 ''a major technological breakthrough for ease of use for people who use IBM compatibles.''

The Microsoft chief, who also topped CRN's list four years ago, became the

first two-time winner in the newspaper's annual industry rankings.

Novell's Noorda is cited for ''nearly pulling off a startling merger with Lotus Development Corp.'' and because his company ''maintains enviable market share.''

Among the variety of personalities in this year's most influential 25 executives are two customers: Jon Rotenberg of the Boston Computer Society (23rd place), who started organizing PC users when he was 13 years old, and Block of Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. (sixth place), who once forced vendors to sell directly to him but who is now dipping into the channel.

In other departures, CRN's rankings for the first time list -- but do not rank -- the most influential women and foreign executives in the PC industry.

Computer Reseller News, with a circulation of 65,000, is the newspaper for microcomputer and software selling. It is published by CMP Publications Inc., a leading business-to-business publisher of high-technology, health and travel newspapers and magazines.

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SANTA ANA, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Gish Biomedical Inc. (NASDAQ:GISH), a developer and manufacturer of critical-care and surgical devices, announced continued revenue and earnings growth for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the first quarter were $5 million, up 29 percent from the previous year's $3.9 million. President Jack Brown attributed this growth to expanded marketing and Gish's innovative product designs and superior service.

Fully taxed net income for the first quarter was $435,000, or 13 cents per share, up from $247,000, or 9 cents per share, last year. Jeanne Miller, chief financial officer, attributed the continuing growth in earnings to careful management of resources. She also stated that sales and earnings are on track with analysts' expectations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991.

GISH BIOMEDICAL INC.
Financial Highlights
Three Months Ended
Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
Sales	$5,000,015	$3,886,604
Net income before tax	726,112	415,738

Provision for taxes	291,200	169,000
Net income	$ 434,912	$ 246,738
Earnings per share:		
Primary	13 cents	9 cents
Fully diluted	13 cents	9 cents
Average shares outstanding:		
Primary	3,279,320	2,714,552
Fully diluted	3,268,806	2,793,128

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Intel Corp.'s thriving entry into computer systems sales may be a major thorn in the side of other major players in the microcomputer business, but value-added resellers (VARs) and dealers consider it a blessing in disguise, VARBUSINESS magazine reported in its November issue published Tuesday and made public at the COMDEX show, the world's largest computer exposition.

With $4 billion in annual revenues and more than $2.2 billion in what analysts call ''excess cash,'' plus long-term investments, Intel certainly has the resources to be a player, said VARBUSINESS. Its Systems Group is already bringing in $1 billion a year.

Since VARs' bread and butter is customizing and integrating systems, they couldn't be happier having Intel as a supplier.

First, VARs can get bare-bones platforms from Intel and customize them to give customers the best performance and themselves the best margins. Second, this new option provides leverage for them to demand similar flexibility from other manufacturers.

The Intel platform isn't cheap, but by being able to buy at the platform level you keep more of the profits configuring a system and integrating it into a network, explained David Meek, president of Computer Education International in Margate, Fla.

Moreover, Intel's service contract makes it seem as if Intel is working for him, said Hall. ''Their service offices are everywhere. Their zone coverage is as good as anybody's in the business.''

VARBUSINESS, with a circulation of 50,000, is the magazine for value-added resellers and dealers. It is published by CMP Publications Inc., Manhasset, N.Y., a leading business-to-business publisher of high-technology, health and travel newspapers and magazines.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Telios Pharmaceuticals Inc., based in San Diego, Tuesday announced that it had raised a total of $5.3 million from an additional round of venture capital financing and from A.S. Industriforsikring of Oslo, Norway.

According to Robert J. Erickson, Ph.D., president and chief operating officer, the funds will be used for product research and clinical development.

Leading the latest round of financing was A.S. Industriforsikring, a new European investor in Telios. Other major investors include Hambrecht & Quist Life Science Ventures, Hambrecht & Quist London, Delphi BioInvestments, Technology Funding Partners III, Ventana Growth Fund, Cabanco Fondkommission A.B. and Elf Technology.

To date, Telios has received nearly $22 million in private funding, and receives additional support under a multimillion-dollar product development agreement with Ono Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd. of Osaka, Japan.

The company is developing products to speed the healing of chronic and severe wounds, including treatments for ''dry eye'' (the corneal damage that results from inadequate production of tears), TGF-beta inhibitors to prevent abnormal tissue scarring of fibrotic diseases, products to control blood-clotting and biocompatible coatings for artificial implants such as vascular grafts, joint replacements and other orthopedic devices.

Founded in 1987, Telios Pharmaceuticals is developing therapeutic products based on the company's proprietary technology. Studies by its scientists have shown that the extracellular matrix - a network of molecules that surrounds all cells in the body - is critical to the way the body heals itself and combats disease. At the heart of Telios' technology is the ability to control how cells interact with this matrix.

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POIPU, HI (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The Hyatt Regency Kauai will officially open its doors on Thursday.

The 600-room, $220 million resort becomes the most important new addition to the tourism industry of the island of Kauai.

The Hyatt Regency Kauai is the first major resort property to open in almost ten years on Kauai's south shore in the Poipu Beach Resort area, and will probably be the last for many years to come. No other developments are presently on the books for that area.

Unlike the rapid development occurring on some of the Hawaiian islands, the pace of Kauai still guarantees visitors the peaceful atmosphere, small village life and quiet resort settings sought by many who come to Hawaii.

Hyatt Regency Kauai is designed to reflect the languid, tropical image of Hawaii in the 1920s and 1930s. The architectural theme is traditional, classic Hawaiian, with generous amounts of wood, tropically designed chandeliers and metalwork, open-air courtyards and even woven lauhala (pandanus) mats used as wall coverings in some areas.

A tropical theme is particularly evident in the seafood restaurant, which is a group of hales (small thatched huts) on stilts over the resort's lagoon. Lauhala walls and coconut frond roofing lashed to the framework of bamboo reflect the entire resort's old-time Hawaiian feeling.

The resort will offer four new tennis courts and a new Robert Trent Jones II golf course bordering the ocean. Two swimming pools will offer a sheltered, quiet environment and an ''action'' area fed by a river pool with a current.

An ANARA spa will open as a part of the resort -- Hyatt's second ANARA in Hawaii, the first having opened with the Hyatt Regency Waikoloa on the Big Island. The spa facility includes a lap pool and massage rooms with garden areas for outdoor massages.

Also offered at the resort will be four restaurants, a poolside lounge, a lobby lounge, a library bar where guests may check out books and play billiards, and a nightclub.

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CUPERTINO, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Buying a personal computer system is often a confusing task for small businesses.

It is an equally complex task for computer specialty stores to identify and tailor solutions to solve their business problems.

On the heels of introducing the most affordable Macintosh personal computers ever, Apple USA has launched an aggressive new marketing campaign that is designed to introduce the Macintosh computer to more small business users, and at the same time provide a range of sales guides and other tools to make the buying process easier for both small business customers and U.S. Authorized Apple Dealers.

To help educate and assist customers in their purchase decisions, Apple is offering customers ''In Business with Macintosh'', a video that demonstrates how the Macintosh computer can help improve small business, and ''The Answers'', a computer buying guide. The video and guide can be obtained by calling an Authorized Apple Dealer, or toll-free at 1-800-441-3001 ext. 110.

At the same time, Apple will provide Authorized Apple Dealers with the Small Business Sales System (SBSS), a comprehensive and flexible portfolio of sales support information, including easy-to-follow solutions guides for different professions and types of businesses, unique customizable CD-ROM-based demonstrations and a prospect database.

Each participating Authorized Apple Dealer will also receive a copy of MarketPlace from Lotus Development, a new software product that allows users to create and maintain their own mailing lists. In an effort to expand their customer base and target specific customers, Authorized Apple Dealers can cull from this list of 9 million prospects by type, size, revenue and local market requirements.

For the past year Apple has successfully tested SBSS in selected areas of the U.S. The program will be rolled out through Apple USA's five regional sales operations groups, and will start with Authorized Apple Dealer training.

Apple's print advertising aimed at small businesses contains the 800 number for customers to call and obtain ''In Business with Macintosh'' and ''The Answers''. The video and guide also will be available through participating Authorized Apple Dealers. For more information on SBSS, Authorized Apple Dealers can contact their regional Apple sales representative.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE -Information Management Technologies Corp. (''IMTECH'') (NASDAQ: IMTKA (Class A Common), IMTKU (Units), IMTKW (Class A Warrants)) Tuesday announced unaudited results for the second quarter and six months ended September 30, 1990. In August 1990, IMTECH completed a private placement of equities, with gross proceeds of $1,245,000. Proceeds were applied to the repayment of certain existing loans. In the second quarter ended September 30, 1990, there was a non-recurring charge associated with bridge loans of $184,834. Net income, before the bridge loan expense, reached $209,902 in the three months ended September 30, 1990. Pierce Lowrey, Chairman and CEO of IMTECH commented, ''We are gratified to have achieved our tenth consecutive quarter of record sales and to have maintained the profitable operations reached in the first quarter of 1991. We were able to make this progress by both expanding the services we provide to our current customers, including American Express and Barclay's Bank, and by securing contracts with new customers such as Oppenheimer & Co., Backoffice Services, Mudge Rose Guthrie Alexander & Ferdon and Knight-Ridder.

''COINS (Computer Output INformation System), IMTECH's optical disk data storage system, made an important contribution to sales and profitability in the second quarter. We closed several important dealer/distributor agreements and during the second quarter and the early portion of the third quarter, such major companies including IBM, Philips Electronics, Ltd., Campbell Soup Company, Merrill Lynch and the American Stock Exchange purchased COINS for on-line data storage at a fraction of the cost for magnetic or paper storage.''

Mr. Lowrey concluded, ''We continued to reduce our costs and effectively utilize our staff and equipment in the second quarter. We anticipate that cost of sales and selling, general and administrative expenses will continue to decline as a percentage of sales. Our current product mix, together with careful cost control and expected sales increases, will continue to contribute to our efforts to achieve increasingly profitable growth.'' IMTECH provides on-site and off-site information facilities management ("IFM") services, turning many of its clients' ''back-office'' operations into revenue producers while minimizing seemingly limitless support functions. IMTECH allows its clients to focus on their primary business by providing a wide range of services including reproduction, printing, word processing, electronic publishing, fulfillment, records management, facsimile management and general mailroom operation.

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Six Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$5,673,038	$ 3,668,961	$10,749,1850	$6,705,130
Operating				

Profit (Loss)	359,529	(44,898)	522,650	(391,246)
Net Income (Loss)	$ 25,068	$ (38,375)	$ 30,470	$ (342,346)
Net Income (Loss) Per Common Share	$.(a)	$(.01)	$.(a)	$(.04)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	10,681,980	8,177,180	10,612,913	8,152,060

Note (a) -- Less than $.01 per share

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SAN ANTONIO, TX (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Telecommunications Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ATEL) (ATC), the nation's largest regional long distance telephone company, has been awarded a contract for inbound 800 service for the State of Texas, Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

The estimated value of the two-year contract is in excess of $500,000.

ATC Long Distance will provide inbound 800 services for the Department's Central Permit Office in Austin. The toll-free service is used by commercial truckers to contact the State's transportation department to secure a permit to travel on Texas state highways.

ATC Long Distance expects to carry more than 75,000 calls monthly for the transportation department from all over the United States. The contract is significant because all three national carriers, AT&T, MCI Communications and US Sprint, bid for the contract.

ATC Long Distance serves more than 300,000 business and residential customers in eight southern states. In Texas, ATC has offices in 27 communities from San Antonio to Amarillo.

ATC operates a nationwide digital fiber optic network providing a full range of telecommunications services, including 1+ dialing, WATS, inbound 800 services, international calling, video teleconferencing, operator services, calling card, private channel service capable of voice video and data transmission, and voice mail services through ATC MessageCentre.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Nu-West Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:FERT) announced a net loss of $1 million, or 12 cents per common share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a consolidated net loss of $7.8 million, or 58 cents per common share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net product sales were $24.5 million for the current quarter compared to $25.1 million for the comparable prior year period. Prior year results include losses attributable to the company's Gulf Coast subsidiaries prior to their disposition in the third quarter of the prior fiscal year.

On a pro forma basis for Conda operations only, results for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989 were a loss of $2.6 million on sales of $18.5 million.

Nu-West President and Chief Executive Officer, Craig Harlen, stressed that a steady recovery in the phosphate fertilizer market in recent months was again evidenced by the significant improvement in both product demand and pricing in the quarter just ended vs. the same period a year ago.

Harlen indicated that the company was progressing on a program of diversification at its Conda operations and expected to have further information on its progess in the near future.

Nu-West is engaged in the manufacture and sale of phosphate fertilizer products.

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LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Multi Soft Inc. (NASDAQ:MSOF), Tuesday announced that INFRONT, a front-end development tool for mainframe applications, is being shown in the Compaq Computer Corp. booth at the Comdex convention in Las Vegas Nov. 12-15.

Multi Soft also described a variety of potential activities with Compaq including: distributing application notes and enabling information to Compaq dealers about the role PCs play in the terminal replacement market; conducting briefings for Compaq's major accounts about cooperative processing opportunities; pooling resources for trade shows, such as the highly successful effort at Comdex in Paris; and, displaying INFRONT technology at

Compaq's Executive Breifing Center in Houston.

Steve Flannigan, vice president of Strategic Industry Relations for Compaq Computer Corp., noted the features and flexibility of INFRONT. ''The use of INFRONT software with an appropriately featured 386SX- or 286-based COMPAQ DESKPRO PC provides outstanding levels of productivity and flexibility. Our combined technologies will address customer needs in the terminal replacement market,'' said Flannigan.

That market, according to Jon Rubin, Multi Soft's director of Reseller/Distribution Operation, offers a huge potential pool of customers. ''Compaq understand these customers very well. A recent study by International Data Corp. in Framingham, Mass. points out that many organizations are ready to replace their aging 327x terminals with PCs and software like INFRONT. As organizations move towards fuller implementations of cooperative processing, Multi Soft has all the tools they will need.''

Rubin added, ''Compaq ofers a wide range of the most desirable features for cooperative processing PCs today. Their COMPAQ DESKPRO line of 386SX- and 286- based PCs are appropriate platforms for organizations adopting cooperative processing by replacing their 3270 terminals. We are happy to see Compaq recognize the importance of effective software leveraging that PC investment.''

Multi Soft Inc. (NASDAQ:MSOF) is a subsidiary of Multi Solutions Inc. (NASDAQ:MULT) and has provided state-of-the-art cooperative processing software and solutions for production operating platforms and communications environments since 1985.

For more information about Multi Soft and its products, please contact Gerry Jurrens at Multi Soft 609/896-4100.

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HOPKINTON, MA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - EMC Corp. announces an additional model to its Symmetrix Series of Integrated Cached Disk Arrays (ICDA).

The new model, 4204, offers 4 gigabytes of disk storage, up to 1.5 gigabytes of cache, and a 3880/3990-type storage controller all within a 3.5 square foot cabinet.

EMC introduced the first of the Symmetrix series in late September which made the company the first to market with a RAID (Redundant Arrays of Inexpensive Disks) technology product, 12 to 24 months ahead of IBM and Storage Technology.

According to the Gartner Group Inc., ''Symmetrix is an auspicious start for EMC's initial entry into the high-end DASD mainframe market...The initial feedback has been extremely positive especially in performance-critical environments.'' The technology provides users with capacity, performance and reliability improvements over the traditional DASD technology.

Symmetrix will allow 4300 and 9370 computer users to store and retrieve more information more quickly, reliably, and cost-efficiently than ever before. Symmetrix actually expands on the RAID concept of combining disk arrays, controllers and large amounts of cache, resulting in an Integrated Cached Disk Array (ICDA) system.

Symmetrix appears to the system as an IBM 3880 or 3990 control unit and emulates 3380 or 3390 storage devices. It also appears totally transparent to the host computer, or Central Processing Unit (CPU).

Egan said EMC is able to introduce its version of RAID first because the company is an established producer of the technologies from which Symmetrix evolved and because EMC is exclusively devoted to computer storage, currently providing the world's broadest mainframe and midrange storage product line.

EMC's Symmetrix Series of Integrated Cached Disk Arrays now includes the following models:

Model	Disk Capacity	Cache Capacity	Footprint
4204	4 GB	1.5 GB	3.5 sq. ft.
4408	8 GB	4 GB	5.0 sq. ft.
4416	16 GB	4 GB	5.0 sq. ft.
4424	24 GB	4 GB	5.0 sq. ft.

EMC Corp. supplies innovative, high performance storage products and related services for midrange and mainframe computers worldwide.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Valisys Corp. and Applied Computer Solutions Inc. (ACS) Tuesday announced a technology transfer and product development agreement.

Under the terms of the agreement, each company will share its key technologies to jointly develop a unified product combining the ACS Variation Simulation Analysis (VSA) software and the Valisys design engineering product which includes geometric dimensioning and tolerancing (GD&T) checking and Softgauge

creation.

As a result, design and manufacturing engineers will be able to access a single computer aided design (CAD) data base for all variation and tolerance analysis.

VSA uses statistical simulation techniques to predict and control the amount of variation that can occur in an assembly due to specified design tolerances, fixturing tolerances and assembly methods. The software predicts assembly variations and product quality before component parts are manufactured.

Designed to work in conjunction with CAD systems, Valisys software is a modular set of software solutions for design engineering, manufacturing engineering, quality assurance, production and inspection applications.

Valisys software aids designers and manufacturers by verifying a design's manufacturability, communicating tolerance information directly to the shop floor and creating optimum inspection paths for coordinate measuring machines (CMMs).

Located in St. Clair Shores, Mich., Applied Computer Solutions Inc. is an engineering software development and consulting services company. Founded in 1981, the company designs and provides engineering and management solutions to predict, control and reduce variations in the design and production of complex mechanical assemblies.

Valisys Corp. is a software developer and consulting services company headquartered in Santa Clara. Founded in 1987, the company is a subsidiary of FMC Corp.

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BERKELEY, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Thoratec Laboratories Corp. Tuesday announced financial results for its third quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Sales of the Thoratec VAD System in the third quarter of 1990 were lower than product sales in the third quarter of 1989, though sales for the first nine months of 1990 were 31 percent higher than those in the like period of 1989, primarily because of new users of the Thoratec System in 1990 and continued sales of the disposable portion of the System.

Total revenue for the third quarter of 1990 was 78 percent lower than total revenue in the third quarter of 1989, due to the offsetting effects of increased product sales and decreased contract research and development revenues in 1990 and an asset sale and settlement of a dispute in 1989.

The comparisons of both total revenue and net income for 1990 and 1989 are heavily impacted by two 1989 transactions: a $1.2 million gain from a technology sale and a $5 million extraordinary gain from debt restructuring.

Because of lower contract revenues and the technology sale in 1989, total revenue for the first nine months of 1990 was 47 percent lower than total revenue inthe first nine months of 1989. Also because of the technology sale, debt restructuring and dispute settlement in 1989 net income for the first nine months of 1990 was significantly lower than net income for the like period in 1989.

Excluding these factors, results from operations improved from a $1,086,000 loss in the first nine months of 1989 to a $559,000 loss in the like period of 1990.

Results from operations in 1990 were improved from those in 1989 because of cost savings related to the technology sale. However, because of the continuing losses, the company is exploring sources of additional working capital loans for ongoing operations.

Net loss for the third quarter of 1990 was $358,000 (per share: 8 cents primary and fully diluted) and for the first nine months was $554,000 (per share: 16 cents primary and fully diluted).

Net income for the third quarter and first nine months of 1989 was $281,000 (per share: 1 cent primary and fully diluted) and $5,431,000 (per share: 37 cents primary and 35 cents fully diluted), respectively. All per share amounts reflect the deduction of accrued but unpaid preferred dividends.

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EMERYVILLE, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - At the annual meeting of Cetus Corp. (NASDAQ:CTUS) held in Emeryville Monday, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Ronald E. Cape told shareholders that the two most pressing issues for the company are gaining U.S. Food and Drug Administration approval for the anticancer drug Proleukin interleukin-2, and establishing strategic alliances that will ensure the long-term development of our pharmaceutical business.

Reduction of current operating losses is another important priority, according

to Renton. He noted that expenses were lower due to the recent staff reduction at Cetus and he pointed to the growth in product revenues from European sales of Proleukin and from the PCR business. Renton also noted that strategic alliances are a way of obtaining co-funding for pharmaceutical research and development, which currently is funded almost entirely by Cetus.

During the business portion of the meeting, incumbent directors James J. Kerley, Gordon C. McKeague and Hollings C. Renton were elected by stockholders to serve three-year terms beginning this year.

Kerley and McKeague have served as directors since 1985 and 1977, respectively and were elected previously by stockholders. Renton was appointed by the board of directors in August 1990.

Separately, the board of directors authorized the exercise of the purchase option for all of the limited partners' interests in Cetus Healthcare Limited Partnership II. The option is exercisable between Dec. 15, 1990 and Jan. 15, 1991. It would require an initial payment of $4,267,000 in cash and the issuance of 1,051,700 shares of common stock, plus subsequent installment payments based on sales of certain products.

Cetus Corp. applies the tools of biotechnology and the science of immunology to the development of novel pharmaceutical products. Founded in 1971, Cetus is based in Emeryville, and also operates EuroCetus in Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The Bank of America board of directors has named Barbara L. Rambo an executive vice president.

With the bank since 1974, Rambo manages its United States Division Eastern Region. Based in New York City, she is responsible for corporate relationships throughout the eastern and midwest regions of the United States.

''Barbara brings a great blend of marketing skills and product knowledge to the corporate marketplace,'' Executive Vice President David A. Coulter, head of the United States Division, said.

He praised Rambo's ''excellent leadership skills'' and ''outstanding relationship management ability,'' noting that she has made ''consistently valuable contributions'' to strengthen the bank's position in the eastern United States.

Rambo, 38, has spent her entire career with Bank of America in New York. She

joined the bank as a credit trainee in 1974, next worked as a lending officer, and has since served in a full range of corporate office assignments.

She became a vice president in 1980 and a senior vice president in 1987. She headed the Northeast/Southeast Institutional Group until October, when she assumed responsibility for the United States Eastern Region as well as the global energy and airlines groups. Fluent in French and Spanish, Rambo holds a bachelor's degree in international affairs from the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va., and an MBA in finance from New York University. She is a member of the board of directors of the Roundabout Theatre. She and her family live in New York City.

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IRVING, TX (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - ICL Inc., based here, Tuesday announced receipt of a $5.7 million supply contract award from Army and Air Force Exchange Services (AAFES).

Under terms of the contract, AAFES will install ICL 2170 electronic cash registers and ICL 2200 point-of-sale systems in its outlets throughout the world. AAFES will use the ICL equipment in retail, food service and restaurant, automotive and specialty operations, including contract concessions, fast food franchises, package stores, military clothing stores and personal services operations.

Product deliveries are expected to begin immediately and continue through 1996.

AAFES, headquartered in Dallas, operates 5,600 retail facilities, 1,900 food facilities, and 5,400 personal services concessions such as barber and beauty shops, and dry cleaning services.

ICL Inc. is the North American division of ICL, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the $4.4 billion STC PLC, London. The company provides integrated information systems to supermarket, specialty and home center retailers in North America. STC PLC and Fujitsu Ltd., Tokyo, on July 30 announced that Fujitsu will take an 80 percent stake in ICL. The transaction is expected to be completed on Nov. 30.

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Xsirius Superconductivity Inc. (NASDAQ:XSCIA) has successfully performed initial tests of an important new laser measurement system that could lead to significant improvements in the quality of advanced components at microwave frequencies.

The measurement system will also provide information essential to the longer-term development of ultra-high frequency technology in the millimeter wave and terahertz frequency region. This region is the next area into which advanced radars, satellite communications, high-speed computer and fiber optics technologies are moving.

Xsirius Superconductivity's results demonstrate the viability of making this system available on a commercial basis. Due to the highly specialized nature of the system and market cost to end users, the company anticipates that it may offer measurement services to third parties commencing in 1991. Additionally, the company has filed a patent application on the system with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

''This measurement system could be very useful for production of high performance superconducting compounds,'' commented Dr. Daniel R. Cohn, senior research scientist and division head at the Plasma Fusion Center at MIT and a scientific advisor to Xsirius Superconductivity. ''It fits very nicely with the balanced Xsirius program to develop microwave applications and longer-term applications of superconductivity at higher frequencies.''

Xsirius Superconductivity's program is bolstered by the company's superconductive materials operation in Israel and by its strong patent position. The company is at the forefront of microwave materials technology, measurement capability and component design.

The new laser measurement system was developed by Xsirius Superconductivity in collaboration with scientists at the University of Lowell Research Foundation, under the direction of Dr. P. P. Woskov. Woskov is a scientific consultant to Xsirius Superconductivity. Woskov and his co-workers will describe the new system in a paper to be presented to the 15th International Conference on Infrared and Millimeter Waves in December.

Xsirius Superconductivity is one of the few publicly traded companies dedicated exclusively to the commercial development of superconductivity technology. The company's strategy is to develop near-term superconductive products and procedures as well as next-generation technologies. Xsirius Superconductivity is headquartered in Scottsdale, Ariz., with a majority-owned subsidiary in Jerusalem, Israel.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Global Natural Resources Inc. (AMEX:GNR) Tuesday reported net income of $300,000, or 1 cent per share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $168,000, or 1 cent per share for the third quarter of 1989.

The third quarter 1990 results include one-time expenses of approximately $1.1 million, or 5 cents per share related to the settlement of a lawsuit.

Total revenues were $17.8 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with revenues of $10.4 million for the like quarter in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $4.9 million or 22 cents per share compared with net income of $61,000 for the like period in 1989. Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $43.3 million, an increase of 58 percent over 1989 nine-month revenues of $27.5 million.

For the nine-month period, cash flow increased 109 percent; $25.7 million compared to $12.3 million reported in the like period in 1989.

The 1990 results include a cash distribution of $4.6 million, or 20 cents per share in the second quarter from Investment Properties International, a real estate investment trust currently in liquidation, and of which Global currently owns 47 percent. No such distribution was received in 1989.

Global Natural Resources Inc. (AMEX:GNR) is an international energy company. GNR's diversified operations include exploration, development and production, and transportation of oil and gas. The company's major operations and markets are located in North America.

International operations include: an interest in an Indonesian oil and gas production venture; participation in the first oil production joint venture in the Soviet Union; an oil exploration and development joint venture in Argentina; and oil and gas exploration licenses in Turkey.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - LifeSouth Inc. Tuesday reported net income of $150,286 and revenues of $802,512 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, and net income of $604,618 and revenues of $2,322,401 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Frank O'Neil, director of Corporate Communications, said that the net income figure for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 included an extraordinary item of $113,941 attributable to the recognition of the tax benefit of a net operating loss carryforward.

In addition, O'Neil pointed out that more and more consumers and insurance agents are becoming aware of LifeSouth's innovative PROActive health plans. LifeSouth Inc. offers hospitalization and major medical health insurance principally to individuals and specialized groups in Alabama.

LifeSouth's PROActive health plans are available to individuals who lead a healthy lifestyle and meet stringent underwriting criteria. LifeSouth's group insurance is offered to licensed health care professionals and their employees.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Enron Oil & Gas Co. (EOG) announced Tuesday that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to concurrent United States and international public offerings totaling 4,100,000 primary shares of common stock.

The lead underwriters are Goldman, Sachs & Co.; Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corporation; The First Boston Corporation; Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated; and Prudential-Bache Capital Funding.

EOG is currently an 84 percent owned subsidiary of Enron Corp. Upon completion of the proposed offerings, Enron Corp. will own 80 percent of the company's outstanding common stock. EOG will use the net proceeds to prepay long-term debt due Enron Corp. and for other general corporate purposes, including capital and exploration expense expenditures.

''This completes our plan to sell 20 percent of the outstanding common stock of EOG,'' said Forrest E. Hoglund, EOG Chairman and CEO. ''Sixteen percent was sold in October 1989, and this offering represents the second step or the

sale of an additional 4 percent.''

The last reported sales price of EOG's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on Nov. 9, 1990, was $27.375 per share.

The registration statement has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. Such shares of common stock may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This announcement shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these shares in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

EOG is one of the largest independent (non-integrated) oil and gas companies in the United States in terms of domestic proved reserves. The company's reserve base is 91 percent domestic and 91 percent natural gas. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and is traded under the ticker symbol ''EOG.''

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BALTIMORE (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Allied Research Corp. (NASDAQ:ARAI) has received a $10.6 million contract for 105mm armor piercing tungsten dart ammunition (APFSDS).

The contract is an addition to a recently-announced award of $24.3 million for the same 105mm product.

According to Reinald W. Carter, president, the contract raises Allied Research's backlog to $71 million. The company reported a $27 million backlog at the end of June.

At the time the first contract was awarded in October, Allied Research said it expected additional interest from countries planning to upgrade their tanks' firepower performance.

The ammunition is designed for a variety of main battle tanks and light armored vehicles, including the French AMX 30 tank and the U.S. M60 and M48 tanks. Additionally, the Mecar 105 round is matched to all American, French and British 105mm guns. A 100mm variant of the Mecar round is available for the T50 series of Russian and Chinese tanks.

Allied Research Corp. is a leading developer and producer of ammunition systems, supplier of engineering services to defense departments worldwide and designer of advanced products and systems for industry.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The following are financial highlights for the Bull & Bear Group:

Bull & Bear Group Inc.
(NASDAQ:BNBGA)

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 1,420,000	$ 1,418,000	$ 3,995,000	$ 4,563,000
Net income	$ 515,000(d)	$ 113,000(d)	$ 839,000(d)	$ 919,000(d)
Average shares	1,276,152	1,324,752	1,276,152	1,324,752
Net loss per share	$ .40(d)	$ .08(d)	$ .66(d)	$ .69(d)

Note (d) -- Loss

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CONCORD, NC (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Cabarrus Savings Bank Inc. (OTC: CASB) announced Tuesday the termination of its non-binding letter of intent with Carolina First Bancshares Inc., dated July 31, 1990, which had proposed the merger of Cabarrus Savings Bank and Carolina First.

William K. Philpot Jr., president of Cabarrus Savings Bank, stated: ''We are disappointed that Cabarrus Savings Bank and Carolina First were unable to reach a final agreement to merge these two fine institutions. However, current economic and industry conditions prevented us from resolving some of the differences between us and made it prudent that we discontinue negotiations at this time.''

Cabarrus Savings Bank also announced that is has pending with the North Carolina Banking Commission an application to convert from a North

Carolina-chartered savings associations to a North Carolina chartered bank.

Philpot further stated: ''We are optimistic that our application will be approved and look forward to taking advantage of the new opportunities created by converting to a bank.''

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MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The decision by Roman Corp. to sell its shareholding in Lawson Mardon Group Ltd. should have no effect on normal business activities, Lawrence G. Tapp, president and chief executive officer of Lawson Mardon said Tuesday.

''Roman Corp. has decided it is time to realize its gains on its holdings in Lawson Mardon Group,'' Tapp said.

He said Lawson Mardon's business is well focused and in excellent shape and the sale would have no effect on employment.

The Lawson Mardon Group produces flexible, rigid plastic, metal and folding carton packaging, and is engaged in commercial printing, label making and print trade finishing, with operations in Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Germany and France.

Lawson Mardon is listed on the Toronto, Montreal, American and London stock exchanges. Major Shareholders are Roman Corp. Ltd. (26 percent), Management (11 percent) and Woodholme Holdings (7 percent).

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WALTHAM, MA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - G. Brian Shemilt has been named vice president of marketing and U.S. sales for IPL Systems Inc., company president and chief executive officer Robert W. Norton announced Tuesday.

Shemilt joins IPL after serving as president of DPI, Data Products International Inc. of Phoenix, Ariz., a company he established at the beginning of 1989 on behalf of a European investor.

Between 1979 and 1988, Shemilt served as vice president of marketing and international sales for three high-tech companies, Alcatel Information Systems of Tempe, Ariz., Telex Computer Products of Boston and Tulsa, Okla., and ITT Courier Terminal Systems of Tempe.

IPL Systems (NASDAQ:IPLSA) designs, manufactures, markets and services a broad range of storage products, including DASD and tape subsystems, plus memory upgrades for IBM midrange computers. The company was founded in 1973.

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WESTFORD, MA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation today announced its Series 7000 systems, entry level real-time UNIX (RTU) computers. By providing this entry level product, Concurrent now enables real-time technology to penetrate extremely price-sensitive application areas. Series 7000 systems, based on Motorala's MC68040 microprocessor, are particularly well-suited for embedded run-time applications such as medical imaging, simulation, training and process control. The new systems allow real-time focused resellers to take advantage of the high level of integration in the Motorola chipset and the added value of several real-time hardware/software facilities. Based on the small 6U VMEbus form factor, which offers the advantage of a more rugged design to better withstand vibration for field or mobile applications, Series 7000 systems will be available in two new five-slot and 21-slot 6U packages as well as the existing 9U chassis. The Series 7000 systems allow a much wider group of users access to Concurrent's real-time implementation of its enhanced UNIX operating system, the RTU operating system, as well as real-time performance at workstation prices.

The Series 7000 systems expand Concurrent's position as a broad-range supplier of standards-based, high-performance, real-time systems to resellers. The multi-processing capability is key for developing deterministic, high throughput solutions because of the need to dedicate compute and I/O resources to critical tasks. A dual VMEbus supports the multi-processing capability by providing the up-to-50MB/sec throughput required for demanding digital and analog data processing.

Among the many advantages of the Series 7000 to resellers is the opportunity to work with a team of proven real-time experts when configuring their products for time-critical and throughput-critical applications. At starting prices of $14,500, resellers can incorporate real-time technology at aggressive prices, and provide applications that may not have been cost

effective in the past.

Concurrent Computer Corporation, headquartered in Tinton Falls, New Jersey, is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through its Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Sytems Groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, techical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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WESTFORD, MA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation today announced it has received excellent response from third-party vendors interested in porting to Concurrent's new real-time UNIX Series 7000 computer systems. The Series 7000 system is one of the first multiprocessor systems based on Motorola's 68040 microporcessor making it one of the fastest UNIX systems available today.

To date, the following third-party vendors have signed an agreement of intent to port their products to Concurrent's new 68040-based platform; many others are in the process:

Acucobol--Acucobol's ACUCOBOL-85 compiler brings a wide range of commercial applications for users.

Amerinex Artificial Intelligence--Amerinex's KBVision is a family of modules which provide an image research and development environment.

Celadon--Celadon's fresco is a fully integrated image processing management system.

DSP Development Corporation--DSP's DADiSP provides users with a graphical spreadsheet for scientific and engineering data analysis.

Empress--Empress' EMPRESS relational database management system and 4GL products provide a wide range of applications.

Entropic Research Laboratory--Entropic's ESPS provides signal processing capabilities and waves+ is a graphical user interface.

IBUKI--IBUKI's Common Lisp package IBCL for Common Lisp programmers provides a full range of machine-independent tools for use in the development and

delivery of symbolic computing applications.

Informix--Informix's relational database management system and 4GL related products are especially designed for application building.

Laboratory Technologies Corp.--Labtech Control and Labtech Notebook products for the technical market provide process monitoring and control software.

Morning Star Technology--Morning Star's Horizon products are a package of software and hardware for IBM connectivity.

Signal Technology--Interactive Laboratory System (ILS) is a signal processing application package.

Softport Systems, Inc.--Providing their office automation software products LinkMARC and WordMARC.

UniPress Software, Inc.--UniPress Q-Calc RealTime Spreadsheet, UniPress MasterPlan Project Management software and UniPress Emacs Programmer's Editor with language sensitive versions for programming in FORTRAN, C, C++, and Ada.

V.I. Corporation--V.I. Corporation's Dataviews is a set of graphical user interface development tools for dynamic data display.

Vmark Software, Inc.--Vmark's uniVerse is a multi-user, multi-tasking, relational database management system and application development environment.

VMIC--VMIC will be porting various VME I/O boards.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - D&B Software Advanced Manufacturing International (AMI) announced Tuesday its AMAPS Finite Scheduling System, a real-time finite scheduling system that enables manufacturers to quickly and easily determine the best production schedule to achieve multiple business

objectives simultaneously.

Most significantly, the AMAPS Finite Scheduling System enables manufacturers to determine the production schedule which will best achieve multiple business objectives simultaneously (e.g., on time customer delivery and maximum production throughput; highest quality and lowest cost). The system reviews orders (demand for product) and resources (production capacity) to calculate the best schedule (sequence of orders) to satisfy user-defined business objectives.

The net result for the manufacturer is increased accuracy in both scheduling and inventory tracking; reduced work-in process; and, most critically, improved production throughput.

The system has two primary touchpoints with MRP II. The system links with the standard AMAPS shop floor systems for short-interval scheduling, detailing activities in minutes. Additionally, it links with master production schedulng for advanced planning activities, where the time frame is more typically in weeks and months.

At this level, the system provides one of the last major functional components for those manufacturers and distributors who are moving toward comprehensive sales and operation planning (SOP) solutions. AMI also has plans in place for finite scheduling links to other mission critical systems.

The system is initially offered on the Digital Equipment Corp. VAX-VMS family of computers. It is written in easily-transportable C++. Future plans are to migrate the system to an IBM 386/486 workstation.

The AMAPS Finite Scheduling System will be available in December. Price begins at $100,000 and ranges to $300,000, depending on system configuration.

D&B Software, a division of The Dun & Bradstreet Corp., is the world's largest provider of financial, human resource, materials management and manufacturing software solutions, tools and services. D&B Sofware was formed in 1990 by the merger of two software industry giants, Management Science America Inc. and McCormack & Dodge Corp. D&B Software is a member of Digital's Cooperative Marketing Program (CMP) and Rdb Solutions Vendor Program (RSVP). The company serves more than 10,000 customers worldwide, including 75 percent of the Fortune 500.

D&B Software Advanced Manufacturing International (AMI) is a unit of D&B Software. AMI is a leading developer and worldwide supplier of application software and services designed specifically for manufacturing industries.

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PORTLAND, ME (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of North East Insurance Company (NASDAQ Symbol:NEIC), a Portland, Maine-based property - casualty insurer, terminated its previously announced Agreement and Plan of Merger with Mega Group, Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol:MGIN), a Delmar, New York-based insurance brokerage and agency concern, due to the failure to consummate the agreement prior to its expiration date of October 31, 1990.

Robert G. Schatz, President and Chief Executive Officer of North East, stated, ''When we entered into a merger agreement with Mega in December, 1989, we believed the combination of the two companies was a good fit, but we recognized that Mega needed to clear a number of significant hurdles to complete the transaction. Unfortunately, events have proven that those hurdles were higher than anticipated.''

Commenting on the recent performance of the North East Group, Mr. Schatz continued, ''Anticipated losses in our New York business have stabilized as projected, and our overall results continue to be positive. Through the end of the third quarter unaudited results of the Group indicate earnings of $.03 per share for the quarter and $.20 for the nine months. Book value per share as of September 30, 1990 was $2.73. We continue to implement new products and see positive growth for our core business in Maine,'' Mr. Schatz concluded.

North East Insurance Company
Condensed Financial Information
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net premiums earned	$1,906,327	$4,776,100	$6,206,665	$14,512,702
Net investment income	648,882	646,037	1,977,025	1,761,952
Realized capital gains (losses)	43,722	(9,288)	(32,530)	(349,738)
Total revenue	2,598,931	5,412,849	8,151,160	15,924,916
Income before extraordinary item	64,698	138,766	397,123	558,132
Extraordinary item:				
Reduction of income taxes arising from the carryforward of prior years operating losses	31,295	68,592	192,544	271,892
Net income	$ 95,993	$ 207,358	$ 589,667	$ 830,024
Primary earnings per common share; Income before income taxes and extraordinary				

item	$ 0.03	$ 0.07	$ 0.20	$ 0.28
Income before extraordinary item	$ 0.02	$ 0.05	$ 0.13	$ 0.19
Extraordinary item	0.01	0.02	0.07	0.09
Net income	$ 0.03	$ 0.07	$ 0.20	$ 0.28

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FREMONT, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Sensor Control Corp. (NASDAQ:SNCO) on Tuesday, announced earnings of $13,402 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 on sales of $1,854,114.

This is an increase in sales of 62 percent but a decrease of earnings of $184,490 vs. the same period in 1989.

Sensor Control is comprised of five companies that manufacture pressure, temperature, and thickness sensors and instrumentation for the industrial process and health and safety markets.

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BAYONNE, NJ (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Pamrapo Bancorp Inc., the holding company for Pamrapo Savings Bank, S.L.A., reported net income of $404,163, or 23 cents a share, for the third quarter of 1990, compared with net income of $522,425 for the same quarter of last year.

For nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $1,778,108 or $1.03 per share, compared to $1,845,287 during the compatible period of 1989. The bank's provision for loan losses was $265,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 compared to $370,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

As of Sept. 30, 1990 Pamrapo's total assets were $363,136,066, an increase of 43 percent over the total assets of a year earlier. The bank's total equity to total asset was 10.5 percent at Sept. 30, 1990.

Pamrapo Savings Bank converted in Nov., 1989.

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RONKONKOMA, NY (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - PDK Labs Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol:PDKL) announced Tuesday that it has offered to purchase (i) the entire mailing list of Sturdee Health Products Inc. (''Sturdee'') and Bio Organic Brands Inc. (''Bio'') for the United States, and (ii) substantially all of the assets of Sturdee, Bio and Sturdee Co. (''Sturdeeco'').

Sturdee, Bio and Sturdeeco are affiliated entities that sell and market their brand name vitamins and nutritional supplements primarily through mail order sales. Sturdee and Bio had combined U.S. sales of approximately $10 million for fiscal year 1989 and has a combined mailing list of approximately 390,000 active customers.

PDK Labs Inc. (the ''company'') notes that it had not signed definitive agreements, and that its offer is contingent on numerous factors outside of the company's control. Specifically, the company's offer is subsequent to a competing offer that has previously been made by another, larger public company.

Additionally, any offer to purchase the mailing lists and other assets of Sturdee, Sturdeeco and Bio is expressly subject to (i) the approval of the court presiding in connection with a matrimonial proceeding relating to the sole shareholder of Bio, and (ii) the appointment of a conservator for Leo Kerpen, the sole principal owner of Sturdee and Sturdeeco, by the court presiding over Kerpen's estate, whereupon the conservator must then choose among the various offers.

Accordingly, because of the various uncertainties relating to the company's ability to effect the transaction, the company has made its offer expressly contingent upon obtaining all requisite approvals prior to March 31, 1991. Thereafter, the company shall not be obligated to proceed. The aggregate purchase price to be paid by the company is to be determined by a formula on the closing date.

The company manufactures and distributes over-the-counter products and vitamins, principally through direct mail order catalogs. The company's line of products primarily consists of non-prescription caffeine products, pain relievers, decongestants, diet aids and a broad line of vitamins, nutritional supplements and cosmetics.

Perry D. Krape, the company's president, noted that ''Bio's and Sturdee's mailing lists and assets would be a good fit with the company's existing business, as well as serve to favorably diversify the company's product line.''

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Gensia Pharmaeuticals Inc. (NASDAQ:GNSA) Tuesday announed the presentation this month of four abstracts describing the effects of Arasine (formerly called ARA-100) in preclinical models of cardiovascular disease.

Three abstracts will be discussed at the 63rd Annual Meeting of the American Heart Association (AHA) in Dallas, Nov. 12-15 with a fourth abstract presented at the 24th Meeting of the Association for Academic Surgery, Nov. 14-17 in Houston.

The results of preclinical research with Arasine sponsored by Gensia at Columbia University, New York University School of Medicine, Osaka University (Osaka, Japan), and the University of Michigan will be described at these meetings, according to David F. Hale, president and chief executive officer.

Another abstract involving preclinical research with Arasine sponsored by Gensia and performed at St. Thomas Hospital in London, was presented at The Oxford International Symposium on Myocardial Preservation into the 21st Century at Oxford, England, during August.

Based on these and other preclinical studies, Gensia believes that Arasine may significantly reduce ischemic damage (caused by a lack of blood flow to tissues) associated with coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) surgery.

Clinical research has shown that significant ischemia occurs in CABG surgery patients and that this ischemia appears to be predictive of adverse clinical outcome.

Gensia estimates that there were approximately 390,000 CABG surgeries performed in 1989 in the United States and 600,000 performed worldwide.

Gensia is a San Diego-based biopharmaceutical company formed to discover, develop manufacture and market novel drugs for the treatment and diagnosis of human diseases.

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NASHVILLE, TN (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Telecom (NYSE:NT) announced Tuesday that the company's 10,000th digital radio system has been purchased by MCI Communications Corp. (OTC:MCIC).

According to MCI, digital radios represent an integral portion of the transmission equipment deployed throughout its network to provide voice and data communications services.

MCI has pruchased a variety of digital radios from Northern Telecom. The most recent is the RD-6C, an advanced, second-generation six gigahertz high-capacity digital radio with a capacity of three DS-3 signals or 2,016 equivalent voice circuits per channel.

The radios employ forward error correction techniques which dramatically reduce or completely eliminate errors due to varying weather conditions on a radio transmission path. These capabilities allow this digital radio system to operate with performance comparable to optical fiber networks.

MCI owns and operates the world's second largest communications network, employing advanced fiber optics, digital microwave, satellite and digital switching technologies. The company provides a full range of global telecommunications services to businesses, residences and government agencies.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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RICHMOND, VA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Hilb, Rogal & Hamilton Co. (NASDAQ: HRHC) Tuesday announced the completion of a local insurance agency by its Pittsburgh subsidiary.

Terms were not disclosed.

According to Robert H. Hilb, president of Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co., the

subsidiary acquired substantially all the assets of a local insurance agency. The company's Pittsburgh office acquired the insurance agency business of Hager Associates Inc.

Hilb commented, ''This acquisition represents part of Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co.'s plan for orderly growth by acquisitions. Our local office found this candidate and negotiated the transaction on terms favorable to all parties. And of course, we expect to reap the benefits of certain economies of scale achieved through combining operations.''

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. provides insurance agency services to a wide variety of clients through its network of wholly owned subsidiaries which operate 40 insurance agencies located in 16 states and the District of Columbia. The company is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol, HRHC.

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RICHARDSON, TX (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - CONVEX Computer Corp. Tuesday announced a complete visualization solution called ConvexAVS, which provides an interactive visualization environment that gives scientists, engineers, and technical professionals the ability to use advanced graphics and imaging techniques without graphics programming.

ConvexAVS is the company's implementation of the widely accepted, emerging standard Application Visualization System (AVS).

ConvexAVS provides an application framework that enables users to see the results of their calculations quickly and efficiently. The vector/parallel architecture of C Series supercomputers means rapid turnaround times for three-dimensional processing. Engineers and scientists gain a faster and more accurate perception of fluid flows, molecular behavior, and stress distribution through visual representations.

Available in the first quarter of 1991, ConvexAVS will be field-tested in a variety of applications at the University of Arizona, Tucson; the University of California at Irvine; and Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, N.M. The product provides solutions for visualizing supercomputer application results in such areas as computational chemistry, image processing, molecular biology, fluid dynamics, mechanical engineering, and geophysics.

The AVS standard is also supported by workstation manufacturers Digital Equipment, Evans & Sutherland and Stardent Computer. The CONVEX implementation of AVS broadens this availability by integrating the power of

the C Series Supercomputer with graphics desktop devices ranging from Macintosh personal computers to high-performance workstations using standard networks as well as X-based DEC systems connected to CONVEX via DECnet.

In addition to ConvexAVS, the company offers the CONVEX CXwindows system which provides a common user interface for all displays on a network. With CONVEX CX/Motif, users also can expect a consistent look and feel from one display device to another and from one application to another.

Another aspect of CONVEX's visualization strategy is HDTV technology. Currently, more than 15 electronics firms and consortiums in Japan, Europe and the United States have selected CONVEX supercomputers to be used in these research efforts. CONVEX systems supply fast CPU processing power, large memory, and fast input/output--all critical components in this research. The company also provides specially designed, high-speed, direct digital video input and output channels.

CONVEX Computer Corp., a leading supplier of supercomputers worldwide, was founded in 1982 to design, manufacture, market and service high performance systems. The company markets its products primarily to scientific, engineering and technical users throughout the world for a wide variety of applications in such areas as geophysical processing, computational chemistry, computer-aided engineering, image and signal processing, aerospace simulations and molecular biology. CONVEX, which is listed on the NYSE with the symbol CNX, has sold some 750 systems in 34 countries. The installed base now represents more than half a billion dollars of cumulative revenues from more than 400 customers worldwide. The systems are sold and serviced through direct sales and an extensive distribution network around the world.

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CHARLESTON, WV (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of City Holding Co. (NASDAQ: CHCO), a five bank holding company headquartered in Charleston, announces an increase in its fourth quarterly dividend.

The dividend, payable Dec. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 1, 1990 will be 12 cents per share. This represents an increase of 9 percent in City Holding Co.'s regular quarterly dividend.

As previously announced, City Holding Co. reported record earnings for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net income was $2,124,000, an increase of 13.89 percent over that reported for the nine months ended Sept.

30, 1989.

City Holding Co. common stock is publicly traded Over-The-Counter on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CHCO.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Gensia Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ:GNSA) Tuesday released its financial results for the 1990 third quarter.

Gensia reported a net loss of $4 million, or 31 cents per share in the 1990 third quarter compared with a loss of $2.9 million, or 33 cents per share in the 1989 third quarter. Interest income was $861,000 in the third quarter of 1990 compared to $186,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

Research and development expenses were $4 million in the 1990 third quarter and $2.3 million in the comparable 1989 period. General and administrative expenses were $843,000 and $638,000 in the 1990 and 1989 third quarters, respectively.

For the first nine months of 1990, Gensia reported a net loss of $9.8 million, or 86 cents per share vs. $7.4 million, or 98 cents per share in the 1989 comparable period.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, the company had working capital of $39.4 million primarily consisting of cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments.

Arasine is an intravenous drug under development by Gensia for use in the hospital for the treatment of acute cardiovascular ischemia (lack of blood flow to the heart's tissues).

The initial indication being pursued with the drug is reduction of ischemic damage in patients undergoing coronary artery bypass graft surgery.

The ESA System consists of a novel drug, arbutamine and a computer-controlled drug delivery devices. The ESA System is being developed to administer a pharmacological stress test to enhance the diagnosis and evaluation of coronary artery disease when used in conjunction with electrocardiography (ECG), echocardiography and radionuclide imaging.

Gensia is a San Diego-based biopharmaceutical company formed to discover, develop, manufacture and market novel pharmaceutical products for the diagnosis and treatment of human diseases.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Software Artistry Inc., an Indianapolis-based computer software development and support company, has been named an IBM Cooperative Software Supplier (CSS) under the IBM Cooperative Software Program.

As a CSS, Software Artistry has published and licensed three products -- PC Expert Professional(a), Application Software Expert(a), and the Knowledge Engine(a). Both Software Artistry and IBM will market these products.

PC Expert Professional is an entry-level expert system application development tool for the business professional with no programming expertise. It will run on the DOS-based IBM Personal System/2(b) (PS/2(b)).

Application Software Expert (ASE) is a fifth-generation programming language allowing the rapid development of platform-independent applications combining graphics, data base access, expert systems and procedural programming. ASE is available on PS/2 running on DOS, the IBM 4680(b) family of point-of-sale hardware and Application System/400(b) (AS/400(b)).

The Knowledge Engine is a hypermedia development environment that can be used to create ''intelligent documents'' for use in help desks, tutorial systems, executive information systems and other applications. It is available on the PS/2 and the AS/400.

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BOSTON (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Clinical Data Inc. (NASDAQ:CLDA) announced Tuesday operating results for the second quarter and six months of fiscal 1991.

For the three month period, Clinical Data reported revenues of $3,180,000 vs. $1,999,000 in revenues one year ago, an increase of 59 percent. Net income was $132,000 or 5 cents per share, as compared to a net loss of $181,000, or (6 cents) per share, in the second quarter last year, an increase of 173 percent.

Revenues for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $5,807,000 as compared to $3,968,000 in the corresponding period of the prior year, an increase of 46 percent. The company had a net income for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990

of $311,000, or 11 cents per share, vs. a net loss of $326,000 or (11 cents) per share, for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989, an increase of 200 percent.

Israel M. Stein, MD, president of Clinical Data, commented, ''The strength of the last quarters performance is primarily the result of improvements in the revenues and profitability derived from our Dutch subsidiary. Our recently announced purchase of an increased equity position in Vital Scientific NV should futher allow us to benefit from their improved performance in the coming quarters.''

Clinical Data Inc. is a multinational medical company offering services and products for pharmaceutical research, hospital laboratories and the physician's office. The company's Dutch subsidiary, Vital Scientific NV, designs and manufactures blood chemistry instrumentation which is marketed worldwide by E. Merck.

The company, through its Drug Research Services Division, has developed ambulatory monitoring technology used in cardiovascular pharmaceutical research.

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HUNTINGTON STATION, NY (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - American Technical Ceramics Corp. (AMEX:AMK) Tuesday announced sales and earnings for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 decreased 8% to $4,843,000, compared with net sales of $5,268,000 in the same period of the prior fiscal year. Net income for the first quarter was $40,000, or 1 cent per common and common equivalent share, compared with net income of $126,000, or 3 cents per common and common equivalent share, for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

American Technical Ceramics Corp. designs, develops, manufactures, and markets ceramic and porcelain capacitors. The company's products are focused primarily in the premium priced, high reliability market for UHF and microwave applications.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The S & M Co. Tuesday announced sales and net income for the third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990.

Third quarter revenues amounted to 4,765,000, six percent lower than the $5,054,000 of the same quarter a year earlier. Net income amounted to $49,000 or three cents a share, compared with $48,000 last year.

Nine month revenues reached $12,814,000 off five percent from the $13,550,000 of the same period on 1989. Net income rose to $23,000, or two cents a share, versus a loss of $52,000, or three cents a share for the same period a year earlier.

The S & M Co. President, John P. Sieff, said third quarter sales were down due to continued slow replacaement tire sales and consumer hesitation stimulated by the crisis in the Middle East.

For the 18 months previous to September 30, 1990, wholesale tire prices decreased approximately seven percent, Sieff explained. This, plus the closing of an unprofitable Mr. Tire retail service center in May, 1990 were the principal reasons for the decline in nine month sales. In addition, Sieff explained, the company discontinued most of its line of automotive products which reduced sales versus the year ago.

Sieff indicated that despite pressure on profitability due to declining wholesale tire prices, S & M's gross profit margin increased for the first nine months of 1990. Profitability was aided by increased margins at the company's wholly-owned Lyndale Hardware Company.

Operating profits increased in the three and nine month periods due to tight control of overhead.

Looking toward the future, Sieff said the company was better positioned to take advantage of the changing markets for replacement tires and hardware than a year ago. He said he was optimistic because weak periods in the economy usually meant increased replacement tire demand in the past. He said S & M Company sales for October, 1990 were even with those of the same month a year ago.

The S & M Co. is a wholesale and retail distributor of tires, batteries and related auto parts with warehouses in Minneapolis, MN and Des Moines, IA. The company operates company-owned Mr. Tire Auto Service Centers. S & M's Lyndale Hardware Company is one of the largest ''Old Fashioned'' hardware stores in the Midwest.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - BioTechnica International Inc. (NASDAQ:BIOT) announced Tuesday its financial results for the third quarter of 1990.

Revenues were $3.0 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to $4.0 million for the third quarter of 1989, and $21.6 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to $25.8 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

As reported in previous quarters, the decrease in revenues for the quarter and year to date results primarily from a redirection of the company's product mix away from forage and other lower-margin seeds in favor of more profitable corn and soybean lines. Soybean revenues declined compared to 1989 as a result of a wet spring that delayed planting and reduced midwest soybean acreage.

Net loss for the quarter was $4.3 million, or ($0.25 per share) as compared to $4.9 million, or ($0.56 per share) for the third quarter of 1989, and $9.1 million for the first nine months of 1990 as compared to $8.6 million for the first nine months of 1989.

The reduced loss for the third quarter 1990 compared to 1989 is partially the result of interest income from $23 million in funding which was received in December, 1989 to be utilized to repurchase the company's outstanding 8 3/4 percent publicly traded Convertible Subordinated Notes. As of Sept. 30, 1990 $8.5 million of these notes remain outstanding.

BioTechnica International is an agricultural bioproducts company dedicated principally to the development of value-added seed, grain and grain products by means of the company's advanced proprietary technologies, and to production and marketing of these products through its established commercial subsidiaries.

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ARDSLEY, NY (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - With the aim of broadening CIBA-GEIGY's international shareholder base the company opened the registered shares to non-Swiss investors in May this year.

The following actions which include a sponsored American Depositary Receipt (ADR) program and the use of integrated clearing, registration and settlement systems are designed to make trading in CIBA-GEIGY's shares more effecient and are expected to further enhance the company's presence in the international capital markets.

1. Sponsored ADR program

CIBA-GEIGY AG has received clearance from the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission to set up a sponsored ADR program for its registered shares. Morgan Guaranty Trust Co. will act as depositary bank. The program, which will be activated in New York on Nov. 13, 1990, is structured so that 50 ADRs represent one registered share with a par value of 100 Swiss Francs; they will be traded over-the-counter on the pink sheets. By means of an arrangement with Morgan Guaranty, CIBA-GEIGY shares can be converted into ADRs and vice versa through the Euroclear Operations Centre in Brussels and Cedel in Luxembourg. The ADRs make CIBA-GEIGY registered shares more accessible to a wide range of investors in the United States.

2. International Clearance Procedures of Registered Shares

Standardized registration and clearance procedures of CIBA-GEIGY registered shares are now possible for investors outside Switzerland via Euroclear and Cedel. This will permit the shares to be settled on a book entry, delivery receipt against payment basis.

The company's shares are currently listed in Switzerland.

CIBA-GEIGY Limited is engaged primarily in the discovery, development, manufacture and marketing of a wide variety of pharmaceuticals, agricultural and specialty chemicals, and vision care products. With international headquarters in Basel, Switzerland, CIBA-GEIGY has more than 92,000 employees in 60 countries.

Its 1989 sales totaled $12.6 billion, an increase of 17 percent, with net income of $955 million. The U.S.-based CIBA-GEIGY Corp. with headquarters in Ardsley, N.Y., is the largest of the group companies worldwide. It had 1989 sales of $3.5 billion, accounting for approximately 30 percent of international revenues. It employs 18,000 people nationwide and has facilities in more than 30 states.

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NEWTON, MA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Biotechnology Development Corp. (NASDAQ Symbol: BIOD) (''BDC'') Tuesday announced that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 10 percent of the company's common stock on the open market when conditions are suitable.

At Sept. 30, 1990, 3,050,512 sares of BDC common stock were outstanding.

BDC also announced consolidated revenues of $747,118 and a consolidated net income of $22,238, or one cent per share for the three month period ending Sept. 30, 1990. In the corresponding period of 1989 the consolidated revenues were $516,012 and the net income was $77,699, or 2 cents per share, including income of 5 cents per share for a non-recurring item.

For the nine month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, consolidated revenues were $2,183,437 and net income was $290,047, or 10 cents per share. In the corresponding period of 1989 revenues were $1,760,593 and the net loss was $203,873, or 7 cents per share including a 5 cent per share income for a non-recurring item.

Our Microfluidics Corp. subsidiary (''Microfluidics'') has achieved acceptance for its unique, patented formulation/mixing systems in the food, pharmaceutical, chemical, cosmetic, and biotechnology industries, and enjoys record inquiry rates and backlog entering our fourth quarter. Sales and profit for all of 1990 are expected to exceed substantially any previous year. Our cash position has improved significantly.''

With the implementation of our successful customer/prospect seminar program, completion of development of our full line of manufacturing systems, and the sustained high level of interest in large systems, we are confident of continuing the excellent results of this year.''

Biotechnology Development Corp. is a source of innovative equipment and technology for the biotechnology and process industries.

The company's common stock is traded over-the-counter under the NASDAQ Symbol BIOD.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameriscribe Corp. (NYSE:ACR), a leading provider of reprographic facilities management services to law firms and corporations, today reported net income from continuing operations of $310,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In the same three months of 1989, the company's net income from continuing operations was $174,000. Total net income for the recent quarter was $476,000 or $0.15 per share, after an extraordinary tax benefit of $166,000.

Total net income for the third quarter of 1989 was $366,000, or $0.16 per share, and included income from discontinued operations of $192,000. Average common and common equivalent shares outstanding were 3,347,000 and 2,841,000 for the quarters ended September 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Ameriscribe attributed the earnings improvement to strong revenue growth at its operating subsidiary, Ameriscribe Management Services, mostly due to new facilities management installations. The company also said it is experiencing operating margin growth resulting from ongoing expense control efforts.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Ameriscribe reported net income from continuing operations of $411,000, compared with $539,000 for the same period of 1989. The decrease reflected an aggregate of $1,137,000 of non-recurring charges, of which $837,000 related to the company's recently completed refinancing and included $437,000 of interest on interest paid at the time of the retirement in full of the company's outstanding public debentures, and $300,000 in employee severance expense.

Total net income for the recent nine months was $30,000, or $0.08 per share, reflecting a $547,000 extraordinary loss on early extinguishment of debt and an extraordinary tax credit of $166,000. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, the company reported total net income of $2,649,000, or $1.02 per share, including a net gain of $2,228,000 on the disposal of a discontinued operation.

The 1990 third quarter operating income of Ameriscribe Management Services (excluding holding company expenses, taxes and discontinued operations) was $1,806,000, or 22.8% above the same 1989 period. For the nine months of 1990, AMS' operating income was $5,171,000, or 15.7% ahead of the prior year period.

Ameriscribe Corp., formerly known as Service Resources Corp., is the holding company for Ameriscribe Management Services Inc. (AMS). AMS staffs and operates in-house duplicating facilities, mail/messenger centers and facsimile services for law firms, accounting firms, investment banks and major corporations. AMS has also expanded in recent years, adding services related to its basic business, including commercial and appellate printing and litigation support. The common stock of Ameriscribe Corp. is traded on the New York Stock Exchange and Boston Stock Exchange under the symbol ''ACR''.

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BOYNTON BEACH, FL (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The formation of NATIONAL AUCTION SALES CO. is announced by George Richards and Robert Smith.

NATIONAL AUCTION SALES CO. specializes in the sale of Real Estate, Personal Property, and the handling of business liquidations. The company is located in Boynton Beach, Fla. at 1325 South Congress Ave., Suite 106.

Richards and Smith have a combined track record of over 25 years experience in the auction industry. Both were most recently with the Miami based firm, ''Auction Co. of America.'' Richards was the executive vice president with the previous firm and was the leading salesman for six years.

Smith was senior vice president and the senior auctioneer. Their combined team effort documented sales in excess of $100 million.

This team effort is the successful force which instilled the two to formulate NATIONAL AUCTION SALES CO.

''Auctions are an accepted means to sell anything,'' says Richards. ''With the current economic conditions in our country you will see more auctions on a National basis.''

''The economy today has forced the public to choose reliable and honest representation. Robert and I have always believed that service and honesty is the key to success,'' Richards stated.

Currently the NATIONAL AUCTION SALES CO. staff is actively coordinating 15 auctions to be conducted prior to 1991. An upcoming auction contains over 89 properties located in Dade, Broward, Orange, Seminole and Polk Counties scheduled for late November.

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LONDON (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - British Gas plc (NYSE:BRG) announced Tuesday it has launched a company that will market worldwide an advanced software package developed by British Gas North Eastern.

The package can be used to design and build computer systems. The technology, known as Integrated Computer Aided Software Engineering, brings to the design of computer programs the skills widely used in the engineering industry for designing cars and other machinery.

The new company, Information Architects Ltd, a subsidiary of British Gas, includes both British Gas specialists who first developed the software and others who have wider business and marketing experience in this area. The new company is based in Windsor, Berkshire.

The Managing Director, John Lowry, said, ''Information Architects has been established to market an innovative and highly successful product which already has a proven track record.''

British Gas is a major user of information technology and has for many years exported technical software as part of its overseas consultancy work. This is the second software company to be launched by British Gas this year. The first, Cogsys, is designed to monitor the operations of complex industrial plants.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers.

British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore. Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to ten ordinary shares.

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MARLBORO, MA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Stratus Computer Inc., a leading vendor of fault-tolerant systems for critical online business applications, Tuesday announced that it has signed a third-party software agreement with ASA International Ltd. of Westboro, Mass.

Under the agreement, ASA will port its ShopKeeper shop floor data collection

software product to Stratus' XA2000 family of Continuous Processing Systems.

The availability of this new application on Stratus' systems will bolster the computer maker's position in the manufacturing market, where the demand for reliable, online data collection systems is emerging as a key trend in the 1990s. ShopKeeper is a family of integrated application modules, each of which provides online, real-time data collection for specific shop floor applications, such as time and attendance, labor reporting, work-in-process tracking, inventory control, and machine monitoring.

The combinaion of Stratus' fault-tolerant systems, which provide 24-hour-a-day continuous operations, and ASA's ShopKeeper software allows manufacturers immediate and ensured access to information they need to run the most strategic aspects of their businesses more effectively.

One of the fastest-growing companies in the industry, Stratus reported revenues of $341.3 million for fiscal year 1989, up 29 percent from $265.3 million in 1988. The company, whose headquarters are in Marlboro, Mass., has 13 international subsidiaries. Stratus Computer Inc. common stock is traded via the New York Stock Exchange and the Boston Stock Exchange under the trading symbol SRA.

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PURCHASE, NY (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - International Paper Tuesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 42 cents per share on its common stock and $1.00 per share on its $4.00 cumulative preferred stock. Both dividends are payable on Dec. 17, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 23.

International Paper, headquartered in Purchase, N.Y., is a worldwide producer of a wide variety of paper and forest products. The company is a major producer of printing and writing papers, paperboard and packaging products, and wood products.

The company also operates specialty products businesses and distributes paper and wood products. International Paper has manufacturing operations in 22 countries and exports its products to more than 100 nations.

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Orbit Instrument Corp. (NASDAQ:ORBT) Tuesday announced the results of operations for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

Orbit reported net earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30 of approximately $523,000 (6 cents per share) on net sales of approximately $15,329,000, as compared to net earnings of approximately $528,000 on net sales and approximately $15 million.

Earnings per share for the prior fiscal quarter includes $161,000 (2 cents per share), resulting from an extraordinary gain in connection with the company's branded apparel segment.

The following is a summary of the comparative results of operations for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and Sept. 30, 1989.

Orbit is a Long Island-based manufacturer of customized electronic components and subsystems for military and non-military governmental applications.

Its subsidiaries are Orbit Semiconductor, which is a state-of-the-art manufacturer of customized semiconductors servicing the high reliability and quick turn-around markets; and USA Classics Inc., which designs, manufacturers and sells men's, women's, and children's apparel, particularly active wear and outerwear, under various licensed trademarks pursuant to license agreements with the trademark owners.

Trademarks used by USA Classic include ''Everlast,'' ''Nautica,'' and ''B.U.M. Equipment.'' A subsidiary of USA Classic is a designer, importer and distributor of men's and boy's leather garments using the ''Philippe Monet'' trademark.

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STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Citizens Utilities Co. posted record high earnings per share, net income and revenues for the third quarter, nine and 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, it was announced Tuesday by Leonard Tow, chairman and chief executive officer.

These results continue Citizens' record of uninterrupted earnings growth for 46 years.

Net income for the third quarter ended September 1990 was $27.2 million or 60 cents per Series A and Series B share. Net income for the 1989 third quarter was $24.4 million or 53 cents per Series A share and 54 cents per Series B share, adjusted for intervening stock dividends.

Operating revenues for the current period were $97.5 million, up from $90.9 million for the comparable 1989 quarter.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $69.9 million or $1.55 per Series A and Series B share. Net income for the same period in 1989 was $62.1 million or $1.34 per Series A share and $1.36 per Series B share, adjusted for intervening stock dividends. Revenues were $274.0 million vs. $249.6 million for the comparable period last year.

For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $96.5 million or $2.14 per Series A and Series B share. Net income for this 12-month period in 1989 was $85.5 million or $1.84 per Series A share and $1.88 per Series B share, adjusted for intervening stock dividends. Citizens' revenues for the 12 months were $363.0 million, compared with $327.2 million for last year's 12-month period.

Citizens Utilities (NASDAQ) is a diversified operating public utility providing telecommunications, electric, gas, water and wastewater services to nearly 506,000 consumer connections in 12 states: Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Nevada, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Utah and Vermont.

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BRANFORD, CT (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert F. Tobey has been appointed group vice president-international of Echlin Inc. (NYSE: ECH). The appointment was announced by President C. Scott Greer.

Tobey assumes the operating responsibilities for Echlin's automotive divisions in Europe; its Central and South American subsidiaries in Mexico, Venezuela, Brazil, and Argentina; its South African and Australian businesses; and its exporting and import services operations in the United States.

Tobey had been Echlin's vice president-corporate development since 1985, with primary activities in the merger and acquisition area. He joined Echlin in 1979 as manager of special projects.

Prior to 1979, Tobey was with Price Waterhouse, and held tax positions at RKO

General and General Electric Credit Corp.

Tobey is a Certified Public Accountant with M.B.A.-Finance and B.S.-Accounting degrees from the University of Bridgeport. He and his family reside in Madison, Conn.

Echlin is a worldwide manufacturer and distributor of motor vehicle replacement parts, with annual sales of $1.6 billion.

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MEMPHIS, TN (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Insituform of North America Inc. (NASDAQ:INSUA (Class A Common Stock)) Tuesday reported financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Total revenues for the third quarter were $5,815,133 compared to last year's $6,060,401. Third quarter net income was $354,521, or $.05 per share compared to $1,545,665, or $.20 per in last year's third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, total revenues were $16,126,331,as compared to $16,457,811 in the first nine months of 1989. Net income was $1,332,877 or $.17 per share in the first nine months of 1990 versus $3,111,025 or $.40 per share in the same period one year earlier.

Results for the third quarter and nine months period in 1989 reflect a $776,000 refund of import duties and resultant interest that INA had paid in prior years, which was accounted for as other income.

The company stated that the decline in revenues in the third quarter was due to a continuing softness in contract award activities experienced by many of its licensees. This was reflected in a decline in both volume of InsitutubesR shipped to licensees and in royalty income during the period.

At the same time, completion of the development of the NuPipeR technology and its attendant market introduction expenses increased as the company's subsidiaries NU-PIPE Inc. (U.S.) and NU PIPE Limited (U.K.) continued to perform demonstration installations of this new product. These expenses totaled approximately $724,000 for the third quarter and $2,130,000 for the nine months of 1990 vs. $389,000 and $970,000, respectively for the same periods in 1989.

As previously announced, due to the discontinuance of negotiations to consummate the purchase of the controlling interest in CERBCO Inc., INA recorded a charge against earnings in the third quarter resulting from

expenses incurred in connection with the transaction and INA's legal and financial review of CERBCO and its subsidiaries. The third quarter charge was approximately $342,000; the company does not expect charges to earnings in future quarters as a results of this abandoned transaction.

In commenting on the results, James D. Krugman, chairman of the board, stated, ''The decrease in earnings represents the maximized expense level in our NuPipe commercialization effort. Coming, as it did, with the abandonment by the Eriksons of our negotiations for the acquisition of control of CERBCO, our earnings are not up to our expectations.

''With the appointment of Will Willis as CEO of our company, we look forward to an accelerated introduction of our new product and increased leadership from Memphis for our licensees. While the impact of the economic slowdown may continue to affect us in the future, we anticipate more focused efforts which should result in an improved financial performance during the coming year.''

INA provides state-of-the-art techniques for the reconstruction of deteriorated pipelines utilizing the InsituformR Process. In addition, INA furnishes its present network of thirteen United States licensees (including INEI) with the InsitutubeR, resins and other related products used by them in the rehabilitation of pipeline systems throughout the country, and is a center of research and development for trenchless pipeline rehabilitation processes.

Through a wholly-owned subsidiary, NU-PIPE, Inc., INA plans to introduce the NuPipeR Process in the near future. INA serves the needs of America's infrastructure.

INSITUFORM OF NORTH AMERICA, INC.
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Earnings
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Product Sales	$3,673,739	$3,883,135	$10,075,615	$10,460,633
Royalty Income	2,125,910	2,147,495	5,987,254	5,895,753
Leasing Income	15,484	29,771	63,462	101,425
Total Revenues	5,815,133	6,060,401	16,126,331	16,457,811
Operating Income	184,612	1,037,866	472,677	2,609,212
Other Income	214,487	966,889	671,836	1,513,527
Income Before Taxes on Income	399,099	2,004,755	1,144,513	4,122,739
Taxes on Income	409,277	722,234	659,510	1,465,890
Income Before Equity in Earnings of Associated Companies	(10,178)	1,282,521	485,003	2,656,849
Equity in Earnings of Associated Companies	364,699	263,144	847,874	454,176

Net Income	$354,521	$1,545,665	$1,332,877	$3,111,025
Net Income per Share (Primary & Fully Diluted)	$ 0.05	$ 0.20	$0.17	$0.40
Weighted Average Number of Common and Common Equivalent Shares Outstanding				
Primary	7,797,083	7,775,540	7,800,098	7,740,965
Fully Diluted	7,797,083	7,807,438	7,800,946	7,775,654

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NATICK, MA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Waban Inc. (NYSE:WBN), operator of HomeClub and BJ's Wholesale Club, Tuesday announced improved third quarter financial results.

Sales rose 18.1 percent to $606 million during the 13 weeks ended Oct. 27, 1990 and totaled $1.8 billion for the first three quarters of the year, up 18.4 percent from 1989.

Net income for the third quarter reached $6.8 million, or 24 cents per share, an 8.2 percent improvement over the $6.3 million, or 22 cents per share, earned last year. This brings year-to-date net income to $15 million or 53 cents per share, compared to net income of $21.6 million, or 76 cents per share, recorded during the first three quarters of 1989.

''We are very pleased with the progress we are making in the implementation of our long-term programs,'' commented John F. Levy, Waban president and chief executive officer. ''We are making substantial improvements in both of our businesses geared to building sales through enhanced service to our customers. It is heartening to see this improvement in our results coming even sooner than we had anticipated.''

Third quarter sales at Waban's HomeClub division totaled $323 million, a 17.6 percent increase over 1989, and aggregated $981 million year-to-date, up 20.8 percent. HomeClub's operating income totaled $11.4 million for the third quarter vs. $8.5 million a year ago. Year-to-date, HomeClub's operating income totals $29.6 million compared to $32.7 million last year.

''At HomeClub, our increased level of customer service, supported by an aggressive marketing program, has driven sales and operating margins upward,'' continued Levy. ''The costs associated with these programs are now beginning to be outweighted by higher sales volume and improved gross margins. We are off to a great start and are very optimistic about achieving the even greater measures of customer service we have targeted as our goal.''

Sales at BJ's Wholesale Club were up 18.6 percent over last year to $283 million for the quarter and for the first three quarters of the year rose 15.5 percent to $794 million. BJ's recorded operating income of $2.5 million for the third quarter compared to $3.6 million in 1989. Year-to-date BJ's operating income totals $3.3 million vs. $9.6 million last year.

''Same-store sales volume at BJ's Wholesale Club continues to show strength despite the weakened economy in the Northeast,'' added Levy. ''As we have noted before, the absence of surcharge income formerly paid by non-fee paying members negatively affected our margins over the first three quarters of the year. However, the fourth quarter should benefit, as did the fourth quarter last year, from the annual payment of membership fees from a large portion of our memership base. During the third quarter we opened three new clubs and expect to open two additional clubs over the remaining three months.''

Waban Inc. is a major participant in the rapidly growing field of warehouse retailing through its HomeClub and BJ's Wholesale Club businesses. HomeClub is one of the nation's leading merchandisers of home improvement products at everyday low prices, operating 65 warehouses in 10 western states. BJ's Wholesale Club, which currently operates 27 clubs in the eastern United States is a low-cost, low-margin, high-volume, membership-oriented distributor of food and general merchandise.

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DETROIT (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - At the AUTOFACT show Tuesday, Gensym Corp., the Cambridge, Mass.-based developer of expert systems software products, announced it has named Bruce Crane to be its director of corporate communications.

Crane will manage the company's public relations and marketing programs.

Before joining Gensym, Crane spent close to four years with Phoenix Technologies as its corporate relations director. He has also worked for Cullinet Software and Data General Corp., both in a public relations capacity, and for ComputerWorld newspaper as an editor.

He has a bachelor's degree in English from Northeastern University.

Gensym Corp. is one of the fastest growing companies in the field of expert systems software development. Founded in 1986, it has over 500 customers in 22 different countries around the world using its software in a wide variety of time-critical industries.

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SHREVEPORT, LA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Arkla, Inc. (Arkla) (NYSE:ALG), and Diversified Energies Inc. (DEI) (NYSE:DEI), announced that the Minnesota Publi Utilities Commission stated it will meet Nov. 20, 1990 to reconsider its decision last week to disapprove the proposed merger of Minnegasco - the natural gas distribution company of DEI -- into Arkla.

Arkla and DEI are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbols ALG and DEI, respectively.

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NORTHVALE, NJ (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - John H. Klein, president and chief operating officer of Zenith Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ:ZENL), a New Jersey based company reported a net, after-tax profit of $233,000 or 5 cents per share in the third quarter of 1990, compared to a loss of $3,178,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

Sales and gross margins for the third quarter were $11,856,000 and $4,154,000 respectively, representing a 287 percent improvement over the gross margin of $1,073,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

The company reported a net, after-tax profit of $2,124,000 in the nine months of 1990, compared to a loss of $7,733,000 for the comparable period in 1989. Revenues for the nine months of 1990, compared to 1989 have increased 61 percent, $38,159,000 1990 compared to $23,651,000 1989.

During the nine months of 1990 the company has continued to increase its expenditures in Research & Development. Expenditures in the nine months of 1990 were 114 percent over 1989. The company continued to view product development as a key strategic element of our future profitable growth.

In September the company announced the signing of an agreement to co-market a major diuretic/antihypertensive product currently pending FDA approval with Geneva Generics, a Colorado based pharmaceutical company.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Siemens Nixdorf Information Systems announced Tuesday the addition of a new mid-level desktop model to its line of personal computers in the United States at COMDEX booth number 616-622.

The Siemens Nixdorf PCD-R series provides customers with greater slot expandability and disk drive options than the company's compact PCD-B and PCD-M series.

Three models, scheduled for first quarter 1991 availability, offer a range of processor and drive options. The PCD-3RSX with one Megabyte of memory is based on the Intel 80386SX 20MHz microprocessor, and the PCD-3R with 4MB memory and an 386/25MHz processor, can be equipped with a single 3.5-inch or 5.25-inch flex drive and a fixed disk.

The PCD-4R incorporates the powerful 80486/25MHz processor and comes with five drive bays for disk and tape drives. Future PCD-R PCs will include processing speeds up to 50MHz.

All PCD-R personal computers feature six open expansion slots and transparent drive doors with security locks. CPU board memory upgrades of up to 16MB for the PCD-3SX and up to 32MB for the PCD-3R and PCD-4R are also available.

In addition to expanded drive and slot options, the PCD-R series, like all Siemens Nixdorf PCs, is based on the slot-CPU concept. Slot-CPU refers to a passive backplane architecture in which the processor, memory and controllers are contained on a single plug-in board, allowing for quick and easy upgrades in both processing power and memory.

Other Siemens Nixdorf PCs available include the PCD-B series of ultra-compact personal computers with 286/12MHz or 386SX/16MHz processors, while the PCD-M provides processors from 286/12MHz up to 486/25MHz in a compact size.

The PCD-T, meanwhile, offers users at the high end a deskside configuration that can accommodate seven disk or tape drives, and comes equipped with up to seven expansion slots. Slot-CPU boards available for the PCD-T include 386SX-20MHz, 386/25MHz with cache, 386/33MHz with cache, and 486/33MHz.

Siemens Nixdorf Information Systems develops and markets computer systems products for the United States market. With more than 90 sales and service locations and 900 employees, it is a subsidiary of Siemens Nixdorf Informationssysteme AG of Munich, Federal Republic of Germany, Europe's largest computer company, employing over 50,000 employees in 45 countries.

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LOS ANGELES/NEW YORK (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - H.F. Ahmanson & Co. (NYSE:AHM) and The Home Savings Bank (NASDAQ:HMSB) jointly announced Tuesday that the merger of HMSB with a subsidiary of H.F. Ahmanson & Co., parent company of Home Savings of America and The Bowery Savings Bank is expected to be consummated on Nov. 19.

The definitive agreement, which was announced on Apr. 2, 1990, calls for each share of HMSB common stock to be exchanged for 1.3889 shares of Ahmanson common stock at the close of the transaction.

Ahmanson and HMSB have waived their rights to cancel the merger due to Ahmanson's common stock price. Under the terms of the agreement, either Ahmanson or HMSB could have terminated the transaction due to the price of Ahmanson's common stock.

Richard A. Kraemer, chairman, president and chief executive officer of HMSB said, ''After meeting with our attorneys and financial advisors, our Board of Directors concluded that in spite of the decline in the price at which the shares of Ahmanson were trading over the past three months, the transaction provides long-term value to our shareholders. The merger will bring added benefits as well to the customers and communities we presently serve.''

Richard H. Deihl, chairman and chief executive officer of Ahmanson stated, ''The reasons for completing this transaction are the same today as when we entered into the agreement. The decline in the stock market and the price of our common stock should not preclude the consummation of the merger.''

''This transaction not only will provide additional capital, which helps us reach FIRREA's fully phased-in capital requirements more quickly, but it will also enable us to expand our operations in the New York metropolitan area,'' he added. ''We believe in the long-term economic strength of New York and its continuing role as a major financial center.''

The Home Savings Bank had assets of $1.51 billion, deposits of $1.14 billion

and equity of $242.3 million at Sept. 30. Headquartered in Bayside, it conducts business through 13 full-service banking offices in Brooklyn and Queens, in New York City and in Nassau and Westchester Counties.

H.F. Ahmanson & Co., with more than $48 billion in assets, is the parent company of Home Savings of America. Home's $36.7 billion deposit base is the largest of any U.S. savings institution. It operates 360 savings branches in nine states and 97 mortgage lending offices in 13 states.

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NEW HARTFORD, NY (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - PAR Technology Corp. (NYSE:PTC) Tuesday announced a net loss for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $8.8 million or $1.17 per share, on revenues of $20.2 million.

This compares to net income of $452,000 or 6 cents per share, on revenues of $21.1 million for the corresponding period in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $63.8 million and the net loss was $8.7 million or $1.15 per share, compared to revenues of $63.4 million and net income of $1.7 million or 21 cents per share, for the comparable period in 1989.

Included in the previous year's earnings per share were two non-recurring events which contributed 6 cents of the reported 21 cents. These events were an accounting change to conform to the Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 96, ''Accounting for Income Taxes'' and the proceeds from the sale of the assets of a subsidiary company.

The third quarter results reflect a one-time charge to net income of $8.9 million for the purpose of establishing additional reserves for inventories, receivables, potential tax liabilities and various operating expenses associated with the Point-of-Sale business.

This charge is net of a tax benefit of $4.1 million. Due to the recessionary business environment, it has become necessary to restructure the company by downsizing employment by approximately 10 percent. In addition, due to the

poor financial health of the convenience store industry as reflected by the recently reported Chapter 11 bankruptcy filings by the two largest chains in that market, Southland Corp., which operates the 7-Eleven chain and Circle K, the company believes that its recent inventory, most of which was acquired as a part of the purchase of the retail systems division of Norand Corp. in 1988, is too large for its projected level of sales.

The reserves taken in the third quarter provide the basis for a financially sound balance sheet and, when coupled with the downsizing, the company expects to remain profitable in a declining business environment should future revenues be reduced. The action taken reduces the company's book value to $37.5 million or $5.04 per share.

PAR intends to continue to invest in its businesses and operate each of them on a profitable basis. During the last four years PAR has made considerable R&D investments of $6-7 million per year and expects to utilize its technology base for continuing business expansion in 1991 and beyond.

PAR's two new developing businesses, Industrial Transaction Processing Systems and Vision Systems continue to demonstrate promise of positively impacting earnings in 1991 and beyond.

PAR is a supplier of transaction processing information systems to the food service and convenience store industries and to the Computer Integrated Manufaturing market; and a contractor providing computer based-system design and development services to the Federal Government.

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The TJX Cos. Inc. (NYSE:TJX), the major off-price apparel retail operator of T.J. Maxx, Hit or Miss, Chadwick's of Boston and Winners Apparel Ltd. (Canada), Tuesday announced record operating results for the third quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990.

Income from continuing operations for the quarter was 42 cents per share, up 10.5 percent over comparable earnings per share of 38 cents in the prior year. Last year's reported third quarter income of $29.6 million, or 42 cents per share, from continuing operations is not comparable because it included dividend income from Ames Department Stores Inc. preferred stock which was subsequently fully reserved against by TJX.

Thus, this year's third quarter income from continuing operations of $29.8 million, or 42 cents per share, compares with an adjusted $26.8 million, or 38 cents per share, last year.

For the first nine months, income from continuing operations was $58.8 million vs. comparable earnings of $50.7 million in the prior year, adjusted for the effects of the company's 1989 restructuring and the Ames preferred stock. Earnings per share from continuing operations increased 15.1 percent for the nine month period to 84 cents per share, up from a comparable 73 cents per share in the prior year.

Net sales for the third quarter increased 14.6 percent to $646 million from $563.5 million last year, bringing sales to $1,732.2 million for the nine months, up 13.2 percent over the same period last year.

Bernard Cammarata, president and chief executive officer of The TJX Cos. Inc., said, ''We are quite pleased with the company's strong performance during the third quarter, particularly in view of increasingly difficult economic and retail environments in most market areas. T.J. Maxx, our largest division, again recorded significant growth in operating earnings.

The TJX Cos. Inc. is a major off-price specialty apparel retailer, with 379 T.J. Maxx stores, 578 Hit or Miss stores, the nation's leading women's fashion off-price mail order catalog, Chadwick's of Boston, and five Winners Apparel Ltd. stores in Canada.

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NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Ramsay Health Care Inc. (NASDAQ:RHCI) Tuesday announced results for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Gross revenues for the quarter totaled $40,093,000 compared to $36,734,000 for the comparable quarter of the previous year. Net income was $717,000, or 5 cents per share, compared to $957,000, or 6 cents per share, for the comparable quarter of the previous year.

Net income from comparable operations was $717,000, or 5 cents per share, in the current quarter compared to approximately $257,000, or 2 cents per share, in the prior year quarter.

Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, included an after-tax gain of approximately $450,000 on the sale of Riverwood Hospital and the after-tax contractual reimbursement benefit of approximately $250,000 for the retrospective effect of increased rates for CHAMPUS residential treatment services.

Ralph J. Watts, president and chief executive officer of Ramsay Health Care

Inc., commented: ''The first quarter of 1991 has seen continued change in the psychiatric hospital industry. In spite of pressures from payors to shorten patients' lengths of stay, we have been able to adjust to these changes and maintain strong profitability.''

Ramsay Health Care Inc. is one of the largest providers of psychiatric care throughout the United States.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The following is a summary of a presentation Tuesday at the New York Society of Security Analysts by M. Anthony Burns, Chairman, President and Chief Exeucitve Officer of Ryder System Inc.

Ryder System's cash flow and liquidity improve, chairman tells analysts; company expects to show improved financial results in 1991

Ryder System Inc. (NYSE:R) expects to continue to show improved financial results in 1991, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer M. Anthony Burns told a meeting of the New York Society of Security Analysts Tuesday.

Demand for some of the company's core services, particularly commercial truck rental and automotive carriage, dropped precipitously in 1989, said Burns, before the economic recession was widely acknowledged.

Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Edwin A. Huston told the analysts that the company's debt as of Sept. 30, 1990 was down more than $250 million compared with a year earlier, and assets were down $300 million to $5.6 billion.

Despite lower earnings in 1989, Ryder System's financial condition has remained strong, he noted. The ratio of cash flow to debt has remained relatively flat since 1985 at about 30 percent. The ratio of cash flow to interest coverage, which averaged 4 to 1 over the last five years, will be about the same in 1990.

The ratio of anticipated 1990 cash flow per share to the current share market price is about 1 to 1, an all-time low, said Huston.

Burns stressed that contractual business, which is more stable and predictable than product lines such as short-term truck rental, accounts for more than half of Ryder System's revenue.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Enzo Biochem Inc. (AMEX: ENZ) Tuesday reported a 36% increase in revenues and a reduction in net loss for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

Fiscal 1990 revenues rose to $21,562,700 from the $15,802,200 reported for fiscal 1989. The net loss for fiscal 1990 was $2,458,800 or 22 cents per share; in fiscal 1989 the net loss was $4,146,700 or 37 cents per share. A fourth quarter extraordinary gain of $1,638,300 or 14 cents per share, reduced the fiscal 1990 net loss from $4,097,100, or 36 cents per share, to 22 cents per share.

Increases in both diagnostic services and diagnostic products created the year-to-year revenue growth. In particular, diagnostic service revenues surged due to the two diagnostic laboratories acquired in fiscal 1989. Enzo realized an extraordinary gain when it purchased $3,570,000 aggregate principal amount of the company's 9% convertible debentures due March 15, 2001 for $1,931,700 in the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter.

Revenues for the fourth quarter ended July 31, 1990 were $5,432,000, compared to $6,228,000 for the same period last year. This decrease primarily results from reduced investment income. Net loss for the fourth quarter before extraordinary item was $382,300 compared to $1,117,000 for the previous year's fourth quarter. The extraordinary item brought about a fiscal 1990 fourth quarter net profit of $1,256,000.

Enzo Biochem Inc. is an established New York City-based biotechnology company engaged both in the research, development and manufacture of innovative health care products based on molecular biology and genetic engineering techniques and in the provision of diagnostic services to the medical community.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Doctors Rehabilitation Corp. of America (NASDAQ:DRRC) announced Tuesday that it has acquired a 60% ownership in Spectrum Imaging Centers, Ltd. a Magnetic Resonance Imaging Center, from Dr.

William Donovan and Jose' Kauachi, chairman of the board and president and CEO respectively, replacing them as general partners of the partnership.

The acquisition signifies a vertical integration in the services of Doctors Rehabilitation Corp. of America (''DRCA''.) The first Spectrum Center is expected to contribute immediately to bottom line results in the range of $40,000-$60,000 per month. DRCA has taken over the operation of Spectrum and will develop it as part of a new division within the company.

DRCA intends to develop additional imaging centers in conjunction with the development of its Workwell Centers, which provide work hardening programs to return work-injured employees to their jobs quickly and safely.

Commenting on the announcement before security analysts in New York, Jose' Kauachi said, ''Magnetic resonance imaging is a diagnostic imaging technology that has redefined the diagnostic capability of medicine. While still in its infancy of use and potential, magnetic resonance imaging examination of the brain and spine are the diagnostic tool of choice. The unique features of the ultra-low strength open-field magnet which spectrum utilizes enables the unit to serve a significant patient population that is not served by conventional magnetic resonance imaging sites.''

He continued, ''Based on this acquisition, and combined with the strong results we achieved in the first nine months of 1990, we expect to report full-year revenues of approximately $8.3 million and consolidated net income in the range of $1.5 to $1.7 million or $0.30 to $0.34 per share, for the year ending December 31, 1990.''

On October 16, 1990 the company reported results for the nine months ended September 30, 1990. For the nine months, consolidated net income tripled, reaching $1,109,680 or $0.22 per share compared to $368,897 or $0.08 per share for the same period of 1989. Operating income increased 131% to $1,740,745 vs. $753,107 last year. Patient revenues rose 75% to $5,795,555 compared to $3,319,468 in 1989.

Doctors Rehabilitation Corp. of America is a quality provider of physical therapy and work rehabilitation services. The company operates three Workwell Centers and five Physical Therapy Centers in Texas, Georgia and California. In Georgia, the Workwell Center is operated under the name Work Hardening Dynamics.

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VENICE, FL (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Mickey Lawrence, senior vice president/cashier of First National Bank of Venice, Fla., was elected to the board of directors of Florida Payment Systems Inc. (FPSI).

FPSI is Florida's Association for the Automated Clearing House (ACH) that assists financial industry members to promote ACH services, train their employees in ACH operations, and to provide a liaison to corporate clients.

ACH services include Direct Deposit of Payroll, Automated Bill Payments, and Corporate Payments.

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EAST HARTFORD, CT (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - United Technologies Research Center (UTRC) Tuesday announced it is exploring technology sharing arrangements to develop software, using its computational modules, to exploit the potential of massively parallel supercomputers.

According to Bos Olson, manager of industrial technology at UTRC, these arrangements could take several forms. ''We could sell our application software codes to a company that would enhance them for their specific application,'' he said.

He added that in other cases, UTRC could form a consortium of companies to share the cost of developing application-specific software.

Unlike most commercial computers, in which one central processor handles all computations one step at a time, massively parallel supercomputers contain thousands of processors to simultaneously process elements of a problem. ''These supercomputers are especially effective in solving highly complex engineering problems,'' Olson said.

UTRC uses a Connection Machine supercomputer, made by Thinking Machines Corp., to develop massively parallel software for several United Technologies Corp. (UTC) business units. The units, including UTRC, use the software to solve complex fluid flow and structural problems.

Thinking Machines is showcasing six UTRC-developed software codes during Supercomputing '90 (Booth 310), Nov. 12-16, in New York City. The codes featured, all of which are written in Fortran 90 and run on the Connection Machine supercomputer, are:

o a 3-D Finite-Difference Navier-Stokes prop/rotor code
o a 3-D Finite-Volume Navier-Stokes combustor code
o a 3-D Boundary-Element external flow code
o a 3-D Boundary-Element linear structural analysis code
o a 3-D Finite-Element nonlinear structural analysis code
o a 3-D Atomic Level material simulation code

According to Dr. Wayne G. Burwell, UTRC director of research, sharing technology is essential for success in today's markets. ''In the rapidly changing global environment, companies no longer have the luxury of time to develop technology on their own,'' he said. ''To compete in the world marketplace, we have to collaborate, where possible, to acquire technology more rapidly.''

Olson said technology sharing agreements will provide an opportunity for more rapid development of supercomputing software. ''In addition to speeding the delivery of software products to the market, teaming arrangements should reduce the costs individual users would have paid to develop software on their own,'' he said.

United Technologies Research Center is the central research organization for United Technologies Corp. UTRC carries out basic, applied and exploratory research across a broad span of scientific disciplines.

Thinking Machines Corp., based in Cambridge, Mass., is a leading supplier of highly parallel supercomputers.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Siemens AG, headquartered in Munich/Berlin will announce preliminary financial results for the company's worldwide operations for fiscal 1989/90 Wednesday.

Siemens Corp., New York City, the holding company for Siemens AG's operations in the United States, will announce tomorrow preliminary U.S. figures for fiscal 1989/90.

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PARSIPPANY, NJ (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Faber-Castell Corp. has announced

that it is sending American brand pens and pencils to the U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia.

Notecards from Faber-Castell are enclosed in each carton to demonstrate Faber-Castell's support. The cards read ''Greetings from Faber-Castell!!! Enclosed are some American pens and pencils for you to write home with. Our thoughts are with you.''

''We thought this effort would be an appropriate way for us to help soldiers keep in touch with their families at home,'' explains Laura Blatz, American Ball Pen Product Manager. The idea for the project was suggested by Faber-Castell salespeople, and moved like lightning through the corporation. ''We all worked together wholeheartedly to make this project happen in a timely manner,'' comments Randi Berman, Faber-Castell American Pencil Product Manager.

Faber-Castell has a personal interest in the operation with three Faber-Castell employees active in Operation Desert Shield. They are Tim Arthur, Tim Crane and Adam Ewing.

Faber-Castell Corp. is the largest marketer of writing instruments in the United States.

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PASADENA, TX (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Insituform Gulf South Inc. (NASDAQ: IGSI) Tuesday reported that its first quarter revenues increased by 21 percent to $8,477,000 from $7,023,000 in the prior year's first quarter.

Net earnings in the current year's quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990 were $83,000, or 2 cents per share, as compared to a net loss of $93,000, or 2 cents per share, for its first quarter of last year.

William S. Naylor, chairman and chief executive officer, attributed the increase in revenues to a greater demand for all of the company's services. Increased revenues and more efficient field operations were the principal reasons for the quarterly earnings improvement.

Naylor added that the company's turnaround which began in the final quarter of fiscal 1990 continued into this quarter. Furthermore, Naylor indicated that he expects future performance will also improve.

Naylor stated that the company's pipe reconstruction services segment recorded revenues of approximately $3,436,000 in the current quarter as compared to

revenues of $2,648,000 in its first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Revenues attributable directly to Insituform installations in this year's quarter were approximately $1,536,000, as compared to approximately $1,264,000 in last year's first quarter. Naylor reported that the company's current backlog in this segment is approximately $11,500,000, or 10 percent greater than at this time last year. Included in the backlog is a $1,400,000 project for the city of Houston.

The company was recently named the apparent low bidder on this project which is one of the first recontruction contracts resulting from the city's $43 million sewer system survey. Houston's capital improvement program provides for almost $1 billion to be spent on sewer collection and treatment system rehabilitation over the next 10 years. Naylor also reported that the company's industrial services segment recorded revenues of approximately $5,041,000 in this year's first quarter as compared to revenues of $4,375,000 in the first quarter of last year.

Insituform Gulf South Inc. provides a wide range of specialty contract services including pipe reconstruction and maintenance principally to governmental entities and cleaning and maintenance of industrial process plants from 10 facilities located along the Gulf Coast of Texas and Louisiana.

The company's pipe recontruction services include underground pipe inspection, evaluation, maintenance and trenchless reconstruction. The company is the exclusive licensee of the Insituform method of reconstructing underground pipes in Louisiana and in parts of Texas and Mississippi.

This method involves the construction of a new jointless pipe withing an existing pipe, usually without excavation. The company also performs inspection and evaluation studies of sewerage systems and, based upon the results of these studies, recommends rehabilitation programs for system compliance with regulatory guidelines.

The company also furnishes cleaning and maintenance services principally to refineries and chemical and petrochemical manufacturing plants along the Texas and Louisiana Gulf Coast, through its wholly owned subsidiary, Naylor Industrial Services Inc. (''Naylor Industrial''). These services include hydroblasting, vacuum services, sewer cleaning and chemical cleaning.

Naylor Industrial also provides specialized cleaning services to power generation plants throughout the United States. Naylor Industrial helps customers by improving plant efficiency and product quality, by safeguarding essential equipment and by promoting compliance with environmental regulations.

Insituform Gulf South Inc. is committed to providing innovative, environmentally-responsible solutions to our nation's deteriorating infrastructure.

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DALLAS (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust (NASDAQ: CMETS) Tuesday announced operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the trust recorded a net loss of $553,000, or 15 cents per share, on revenues of $3.8 million. During this quarter the trust recorded a provision for losses of $346,000.

This compares with net income of $192,000, or 5 cents per share, on revenues of $3.8 million in the third quarter of the prior year. The third quarter of 1989 included a gain on the sale of real estate of $557,000, or 15 cents per share, with no such gain for the third quarter of 1990.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the trust recorded a net loss of $1.3 million, or 34 cents per share, on revenues of $11.0 million, compared with net income of $211,000, or 6 cents per share, on revenues of $12.5 million in the first nine months of 1989.

Net rental income for 1990's third quarter was $679,000, compared with $518,000 for the third quarter of 1989. The trust sold four foreclosed properties during 1989 which reduced net rental income during the first six months of 1989.

In 1990 the trust was able to increase occupancy rates and lower management and administrative expenses at its remaining properties, resulting in an increase in net rental income.

During the third quarter the trust purchased one apartment complex in Hurst, Texas for $1.3 million. The trust also completed an odd-lot share repurchase program in which it bought 91,477 shares at a cost to the trust of $600,000.

Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

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ROCKY RIVER, OH (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - SIS CORP Tuesday announced a net

loss of $374,754 on sales of $8,828,836 for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

The 24 cents per share loss compares to a 3 cents per share loss, $49,839, on sales of $10,232,508 in the like 1989 quarter.

On Feb. 28, 1989, the company filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and has been operating its business as debtor-in-possession under supervision of the Bankruptcy Court.

On Oct. 29, 1990, an order confirming a plan of reorganization was entered by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Ohio, Eastern Division. The Plan is entitled Debtors' Second Amended Joint Plan of Reorganization as Modified Aug. 1, 1990, (Revised Oct. 24, 1990).

The Plan is, in effect, a Chapter 11 plan of self-liquidation, under which SIS CORP and Sisters International Inc. will sell their assets and/or distribute all or any part of their assets among those having an interest in same. The proceeds of any sales will be distributed to holders of claims in accordance with the provisions of the Plan.

There will be no distribution on account of issued and outstanding common stock of SIS CORP. SIS CORP will be dissolved, at which time all of the authorized common stock of SIS CORP will be cancelled. The Debtors shall continue to administer the provisions of the Plan, even after dissolution, in accordance with ''wind-up'' provisions of state law.

SIS CORP operates Sisters Chicken & Biscuits restaurants, as well as serving as franchisor with respect to certain Sisters Chicken & Biscuits franchises.

SIS CORP is traded over the counter.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC) announced Tuesday that a Schedule 13D has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by an Investor Group purporting to own 3,646,396 shares or 10.8 percent of the common stock of AmBase.

The filing indicated that the Group had acquired the shares for the purpose of voting on the previously announced sale of The Home Insurance Co. to TVH Acqusition Corp., but that no decision had been reached as to how the Group will vote.

The Group also proposed four representatives for election to the AmBase Board.

A spokesman for AmBase stated that it had no comment on the filing or proposal.

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CLEVELAND, OH (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - TransCapital Financial Corporation announced today that its third quarter 1990 results of operations would reflect a number of major restructuring activities anticipated to be largely completed by year-end and possibly by the end of the first quarter 1991.

The restructuring activities being undertaken are the divestiture of its major mortgage banking subsidiary, the sale of the Columbus, Ohio, area retail branch network, the disposition of certain low yielding mortgage-backed securities and investment securities, the early retirement of high cost liabilities and a general provision for steps to improve operating efficiencies. The total special restructuring provision reflected in the third quarter has an $18.7 million unfavorable effect on earnings.

Primarily, as a result of the restructuring charge, the Company reported a loss of $24.1 million, or $2.53 per share, for its third quarter. This compares with a loss of $2.2 million, or $.23 per share, as restated in the similar 1989 quarter. For the first nine months of 1990, TransCapital recorded a loss of $29.1 million, or $3.06 per share, including the restructuring charge, compared with a loss of $15.3 million, or $1.60 per share, in the 1989 nine-month period.

TRANSOHIO is adjusting to the changing regulatory environment created by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 (''FIRREA''). In recognition that a thrift must be more competitive and use its capital resources for only the highest returns, the Company has undertaken an extensive evaluation of profitability by business line. The special restructuring provision is the culmination of that process and includes provisions for exiting unprofitable businesses and improving the performance of the balance sheet.

Earlier, TransCapital announced the consolidation of back office operations and reduction in the branch network at AmeriStar Financial Corporation, TRANSOHIO's major mortgage banking subsidiary. The Company had expected these changes would return this portion of TRANSOHIO's business to profitability; however, generally due to market conditions, this expectation has not been realized. Accordingly, the decision was made to divest this business, at an estimated loss of approximately $6.7 million, which is expected to be completed by March 31, 1991.

TransCapital Financial Corporation is Ohio's largest savings and loan holding company with approximately $4.9 billion in assets. Through its wholly owned subsidiary, TRANSOHIO Savings Bank, it has offices in the Cleveland, Akron, Columbus and Cincinnati markets of Ohio. TransCapital's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol, ''TFC''.

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TORONTO, ONTARIO (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Enscor Inc. Tuesday announced a net loss of $6.2 million or 58 cents per common share on revenues of $61.9 million for the nine months of 1990, compared with earnings of $5 million or 45 cents per share on revenues of $32.8 million for the corresponding period in 1989.

Losses for the three months ended Sept. 30 were $7.2 million or 66 cents per common share on revenues of $16.9 million, compared with losses of $77,000 or 1 cent per common share on revenues of $1.1 million.

The nine month results include previously announced write-downs which were prompted by concerns about current and anticipated conditions in the Toronto-based real estate market. In total, $17.5 million of pre-tax write-downs were recorded, following a project-by-project review of all of the company's land holdings. As a consequence of this write-down, the company will be able to recover income taxes previously paid totalling $5.5 million.

Real estate development within the metropolitan Toronto commutershed is Enscor's core business, including development and sale of land, marketing and building of low- and high-rise residential properties, and development of commercial properties for retention or sale.

The company operates within the financial services field through a wholly owned subsidiary, Heritage General Insurance Co. Heritage is a licensed property and casualty insurer in Ontario, underwriting risks principally within the farming sector.

Enscor also holds a portfolio of investments including equity positions in TSE- listed Tele-Radio Systems Limited, a distributor of telecommunications equipment, and Trinity Resources Ltd., an oil and gas exploration company.

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HILLIARD, OH (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - First-quarter, double-digit sales increases in all Medex operating entities contributed to an overall 29 percent sales increase for Medex Inc. over sales recorded in the like period last year.

The company also achieved substantial earnings increases, posting net income up 59 percent.

First-quarter net sales for fiscal 1991 reached $11.76 million and net income was $969,878, or 20 cents per primary share (20 cents per fully diluted share). Net sales for the first quarter of fiscal 1990 were $9.11 million and net income was $610,300, or 14 cents per primary share (14 cents fully diluted share).

''Continued market penetration combined with the success of our MedFusion 2001 syringe pump contributed to Medex's strong overall gains,'' said Craig Waldbillig, chairman and chief executive officer. ''While Medex steadily builds its core business, we are pleased with the impressive gains made by our domestic and international subsidiaries, which will continue to contribute to our long-term growth.''

Medex designs, manufactures and distributes a wide range of disposable medical products for critical and acute care. Life-support products include disposable sets for intravenous fluid and drug administration and invasive pressure monitoring, as well as products for anesthesia, intensive care, cardiac catheterization, oncology and pain management.

Operating subsidiaries of Medex Inc. include: Medex Medical Inc., Rossendale, England; Cardionova GmbH, Dusseldorf, West Germany; and MedFusion Inc., Duluth Ga. Medex stock is traded over-the-counter on the NASDAQ National Market System under the MDEX symbol.

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DOVER, NH (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Seacoast Savings Bank (NASDAQ:SSBA) Tuesday announced a net loss for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $730,000, or 62 cents per share, as compared with net income of $14,000, or 1 cent per share, for the same period last year.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $104,595,000, down $6,751,000, or 6.1 percent, from $111,346,000 a year ago. On the same date, total stockholders' equity was $10,433,000, or 9.97 percent of assets.

According to Joseph M. Sarno, executive vice president and chief operating officer, the earnings decline was a result of the need to make additional provisions to the reserve for possible loan losses and an increased level of nonperforming assets due primarily to the continuing deterioration in the New England economy.

Nonperforming assets at Sept. 30, 1990 amounted to $11,100,000, 10.6 percent, of total assets. During the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the bank provided $592,000 for possible loans losses, and the allowance at Sept. 30, 1990 was $2,460,000, 3.1 percent of total loans and 35.2 percent of nonperforming loans. Sarno stated, ''Our focus remains on the successful resolution of our problem real estate loans and the disposition of other real estate owned, along with the containment of operating expenses.''

Seacoast Savings Bank is a FDIC-insured financial institution headquartered in Dover, N.H.

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ARLINGTON, TX (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Technology Development Corp. (NASDAQ:TDCX) announced 1990 third quarter earnings of $140,973 or 7 cents per share of common stock, on revenues of $7.8 million.

Revenues more than doubled over the prior quarter and are up 44 percent as compared to the same period in 1989, as a result of the acquisition of Kaizen Corp., dba ComputerLand Metroplex, which became a wholly owned subsidiary of the company during this reporting period.

Both the parent company and its subsidiary contributed to profitability, reversing losses which had been reported by TDC for the prior three quarters.

The company reported that new orders with agencies of the Department of Defense continue to be slow and backlog declined to $8.5 million, while both orders and deliveries for the microcomputer reseller market remained strong.

The third quarter revenues include $4.5 million in sales from ComputerLand Metroplex, and $3.3 million in support of DoD programs. The company will continue to place increasing emphasis in the commercial sector.

Technology Development Corp. is the nation's largest independent developer of test software and related products and services for use by commercial, aerospace, and federal government organizations.

Through its subsidiary, ComputerLand Metroplex, the company sells microcomputer systems and services to industries and businesses in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex.

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REDWOOD CITY, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Polymer Systems (NASDAQ:APOS) announced Tuesday revenues of $387,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $455,000 for the same period last year.

The net loss for the quarter was $1,235,000, or 13 cents per share vs. $917,000, or 10 cents per share last year.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $1,702,000 compared with $2,231,000 for the same reporting period of 1989. The net loss for the nine months was $3,286,000, or 34 cents per share compared with $3,376,000, or 36 cents per share for the same period one year earlier.

Excluding a one-time milestone payment of $750,000 from a corporate partner in 1989, revenues grew by 15 percent and the net loss was reduced by 20 percent in the nine months.

The company indicated that orders received under supply agreements and the Analytical Standards business continued strong in the third quarter.

The increase in total operating expenses in the quarter is principally attributable to costs incurred in the expansion of production in the company's manufacturing facility in Lafayette, La., and research and development expenses associated with products being developed for its own account rather than for licensees.

The company also said that it is continuing to negotiate the refinancing of the $3 million Industrial Revenue Bonds used to construct its Louisiana manufacturing facility.

Advanced Polymer Systems develops and manufactures patented Microsponge delivery systems which allow for the release of active ingredients in a programmed or ''controlled'' manner.

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FREEHOLD, NJ (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Calton Inc. (NYSE:CN) announced Tuesday that it has reached a final agreement with Holmes Regional Medical Center with respect to the settlement of an action instituted by Holmes in federal court in Florida.

The suit originally arose in connection with the activities of certain real estate limited partnerships previously engaged in the development of adult congregate living facility projects in Florida. Calton Capital II Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Calton Inc., had an indirect interest in these limited partnerships through its 50 percent owned subsidiary, Wedgewood Park Development Inc.

The settlement involves a mutual release of claims by the parties and does not require payments of money or property by either party.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Turner Broadcasting System Inc. (AMEX:TBS.A TBS.B) reported a 54 percent and 34 percent increase in revenues for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, respectively, compared to the same periods in 1989.

The company posted net income of $1.3 million for the three months ended Sept. 30. The unaudited results (in millions of dollars, except per share amounts) were as follows:

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$415.8	$269.3	$1,029.4	$765.8
Operating profit	50.3	90.2(a)	145.8	202.5
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	(2.6)	28.2	(12.8)	24.6
Extraordinary item - realization of operating loss carryforwards	3.9	7.0	10.2	15.7
Net income (loss)	$ 1.3	$ 35.2	$ (2.6)	$ 40.3
Income (loss) per common share before extraordinary item(b)	(10 cents)	7 cents	(32 cents)	(4 cents)

Net income (loss) per common share(b)	(7 cents)	10 cents	(25 cents)	(3 cents)

(a) Includes a $38.8 million nonrecurring gain from settlement of a tax matter in the third quarter of 1989.

(b) After accretion of preferred stock dividends of $11.9 million and $35.4 million for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, respectively, and $11.6 million and $34.6 million for the same periods in 1989, and adjusted retroactively for the share dividend declared on July 23.

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CALGARY, Alberta (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Durvada Resources Ltd. (owned 53 percent by Durga Resources Ltd. DGA.A) is pleased to announce that it has signed agreements (subject to regulatory approval) with Florin Resources Inc. (''Flourin''-FLN.V) and CrimsonStar Resources Ltd. (''CrimsonStar''-KRQ.V) to provide project financing for the Keystone, Yellowhorse, and Millsite claims in Southwestern Nevada.

To earn a 50 percent interest in the Keystone Claims the agreement with Florin calls for an acquisition fee payment to Durvada of $50,000 finance a three-phase exploration program totalling $1.7 million Cdn., consisting of a $200,000 expenditure by Feb. 28, 1991; $200,000 by June 30, 1991, and $1.3 million for phase 3 production.

Durvada additionally will receive 200,000 shares of Florin, on the basis of an immediate 50,000 shares, plus 50,000 shares upon completion of each phase of the three-phase exploration/development program.

To earn a 50 percent interest in the Yellowhorse and Millsite Claims the agreement with CrimsonStar calls for an acquisition fee payment to Durvada of $50,000, finance a three-phase exploration program totalling $1.7 million Cdn. consisting of a $200,000 expenditure by Feb. 28, 1991; $200,000 by June 30, 1991, and $1.3 million for phase 3 production.

Durvada additionally will receive 200,000 shares of CrimsonStar, on the basis of an immediate 50,000 shares, plus 50,000 shares upon completion of each phase of the three-phase exploration/development program.

CONTACT: Durvada Resources Ltd., Calgary
Jasi Nikhanj, 403/237-6250.

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#90317b0906 11/13/1990 ~Business Wire
BOWLING GREEN, KY (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Trans Financial Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:TRFI) declared a quarterly dividend of 15 cents per common share, payable Dec. 14, to shareholders of record Dec. 3, at their regular monthly meeting on Nov. 3, 1990.

Trans Financial Bancorp serves a 14 county area in southcentral Kentucky and northcentral Tennessee through two Kentucky banks, The Citizens National Bank of Bowling Green, and Citizens Bank and Trust Co., Glasgow. Its stock is traded over-the-counter under the symbol TRFI.

CONTACT: Trans Financial Bancorp, Bowling
David A. Blackburn, 502/781-5000

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#90317b0908 11/13/1990 ~Business Wire
WALTHAM, MA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The David Sarnoff Research Center Inc., Princeton, N.J., (Sarnoff), under contract to the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), and Compass Inc., Wakefield, Mass., (COMPASS) Tuesday announced that Sarnoff has licensed the COMPASS Compiler Engine Architecture and Framework for use with Sarnoff's Princeton Engine massively parallel SIMD computer.

The companies' joint efforts will produce a Fortran compiler system that executes on an Apollo workstation, the host machine for the Princeton Engine, and generates code to be executed on the Princeton Engine. The Princeton Engine is presently being used in a number of advanced research projects, including data compression, multi-spectral analysis, data visualization and neural nets. The Princeton Engine is also being considered for ASW (anti-submarine warfare) and space surveillance applications.

The Fortran compiler adds a high-level language programming tool to the present extensive set of graphical programming tools for the Princeton Engine. The COMPASS Compiler Engine will take programs written in COMPASS Fortran, which consists of FORTRAN 77 with array extensions from the proposed ANSI Fortran 90 standard, and produce 8-Code, COMPASS's generic SIMD assembly language.

The 8-Code produced the COMPASS Compiler Engine will then be translated into native instructions to to be executed by the Princeton Engine. The compiler performs several key optimizations and analyses, including classical local and global optimization, specification of processor array allocation, specification of interprocessor motion, and specification and optimization of strip mining operations.

The David Sarnoff Research Center developed the Princeton Engine to support

its work in state-of-the-art video research for Thomson Consumer Electronics. The Princeton Engine is a massively parallel computer designed for continuous simulation of large visual systems.

The architecture is a single instruction multiple data (SIMD) linear array of processors. The linear array can be scaled from 64 to 2048 processors in steps of 64 and, in full configuration, achieves a computational rate of 28,672 MIPS at an instruction clock of 14 MHz Each processor has local memory and can communicate with its neighbors via two bidirectional channels. Input and output data rates of 14 and 1.8 Gbps, respectively, are provided.

Compass Inc., a SofTech Co., was founded in 1961. COMPASS has an international reputation for providing compiler software and software engineering services for high performance and advanced architecture computers. Recent COMPASS clients include Concurrent, Kubota Pacific, MasPar, nCUBE, Numerix, Stardent, the Supercomputing Research Center, SUPRENUM GmbH, and Thinking Machines, among others.

CONTACT: SofTech Inc., Waltham
Douglas R. Potter, 617/890-6900.

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#90317b0912 11/13/1990 ~Business Wire

BIRMINGHAM, AL (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Secor Bank, Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ:SECR) reported a net loss (unaudited) for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $(3,987,000).

The net loss for the quarter included a $4,719,000 provision to the bank's general valuation allowance. Management recorded the provision in response to a recent examination by regulators. The OTS examiners are attempting to bring Secor's general valuation allowance to the level of commercial banks. The additional provision was not tied to specific loans.

Management agreed that as a result of declining real estate values and the lower level of the bank's general reserve, the provision was necessary to reduce the effect of unanticipated future credit problems on earnings. Primary and fully diluted loss per share for the quarter was $(1.60). Loss per share has been increased by the effect of cumulative preferred stock dividends in arrears of $1,687,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Secor reported a net loss (unaudited) of $(2,256,000). Primary and fully diluted loss per share was $(2.06) for the nine-month period. Loss per share has been increased by the effect of cumulative preferred stock dividends paid of $1,687,000 and dividends in arrears of $3,374,000.

Commenting on the reported loss, Jack Shannon, chairman and chief executive

officer, said: ''We believe the results for the third quarter tend to obscure fundamental operating improvements being made at Secor. Operating expenses are down $1,211,000 in the third quarter as compared to the first quarter of this year.

''Employment levels are down 152 employees, or 19 percent, since Jan. 1. Consumer loan volumes have shown good increases and mortgage volumes have held steady.

''Improvements have been made in managing and reducing problem assets. Earnings for the fourth quarter and next year should be significantly improved as a result of new investment opportunity and the continued improvement in operations.''

Management has negotiated the redemption of the bank's 12.5 percent cumulative preferred stock issued to the government with investment bankers representing the government. This agreement is subject to the approval of the FDIC and the OTS which approval may or may not be forthcoming.

If the redemption occurs, the bank's earnings will improve together with a significant increase in common stockholders' equity.

Secor Bank is a regional financial services institution headquartered in Birmingham, servicing markets in Alabama, Louisiana and Florida. Secor has 60 branch offices and 10 loan production offices. Secor is publicly owned with stock trading as SECR in the OTC market.

CONTACT: Secor Bank, Birmingham
Jack H. Shannon, William L. Watson III,
Roderick V. Schlosser, 205/877-0200

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#90317b0914 11/13/1990 ~Business Wire

WALNUT CREEK, CA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Longs Drug Stores Tuesday announced a 10 percent increase in sales and flat earnings for the three quarters ended Oct. 25 the declaration of a 26 cent quarterly dividend, and the appointment of two new officers.

Unaudited net income for the three quarters was $42,425,000, or $2.09 per share, as compared to $42,389,000, or $2.07 per share, for the prior year. Net income for the third quarter was down six percent to $11,964,000, or 59 cents per share, from $12,709,000, or 62 cents per share, reported last year.

Unaudited sales for the three quarters were $1,652,856,000 as compared to $1,506,032,000 reported for the prior year. Sales for the third quarter ended Oct. 25 were $556,743,000 compared to $509,852,000, an increase of nine percent.

Earnings for the third quarter were impacted by lower gross margins and increased salary and benefits costs. Gross margins declined as stores aggressively reacted to maintain sales in light of the softening economy. Salaries rose as a result of improved staffing levels. Benefit costs reflected higher employee medical and other benefit costs.

The board of directors at its meeting today declared a quarterly dividend of 26 cents per share of common stock to holders of record at the close of business Nov. 27, payable Jan. 2, 1991. The board also announced the appointments of James L. Famini and Ronald E. Lovelady to the position of vice president-district manager. Famini joined the company in 1975 and Lovelady has been with Longs since 1973.

Both moved up through the ranks in store management to positions of district manager, which they both achieved in 1988.

Longs operates 256 stores in California, Hawaii, Alaska, Arizona, Nevada, and Colorado. Three new stores were opened during the quarter. Currently the company has eight stores under construction, and anticipates opening five more stores before the end of the fiscal year.

CONTACT: Longs Drug Stores, Walnut Creek
Bill Combs, 415/944-6726

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#90317b0918 11/13/1990 ~Business Wire

ORLANDO, FL (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Gencor Industries (NASDAQ:GCOR) Tuesday announced the results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, reporting a loss of $1.1 million, or 69 cents per share on revenues of $6,375,000.

This represents an improvement over the like period of the prior year when a loss of $1,189,000, or 74 cents per share on revenues of $9,622,000 were reported. Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $37,614,000, down from $45,062,000 recorded in the like period in 1989.

Gencor reduced its net loss to $516,000 or 32 cents per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 from $849,000 or 53 cents per share in the like period of 1989.

E.J. Elliott, Gencor's chairman and president, stated that the reduced losses are attributable to the aggressive cost reductions management has implemented during this year. The company has benefited also from reduced patent litigation costs, as well as the benefits from the consolidation of the Indianapolis facilities during the third quarter of 1989.

Many of the cost reductions attained in the past nine months were partially

offset by operating losses in the company's operations in England where the economy is experiencing a significant recession. Among other steps taken in the United Kingdom, the company has restructured and downsized the operations to weather out what management believes is a severe but temporary situation.

The reduction in sales in the United States is attributable to the significant recession in the company's primary market which is the highway construction industry and asphalt production machinery.

Elliott stated, ''The recent increased petroleum prices, as well as the vacillations over/and less than desirable outcome for the budget deliberations - compounded by the crisis in the Middle East, have adversely impacted all aspects of the construction industry, thereby reducing capital expenditures and deferring purchase plans.''

Gencor Industries is based in Orlando, Fla., where it has major manufacturing facilities and its headquarters. Products include thermal fluid heat systems, combustion systems, hot mix asphalt production plants, electronic process automation systems, soil remediation units and other related construction machinery products.

CONTACT: Gencor Industries Inc., Orlando
John E. Elliott, 407/290-6000

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NORWODD, MA (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Technologies Ltd. (NASDAQ:PTEC) announced Tuesday results for the fourth quarter, ending Sept. 30, 1990.

The figures were in line with preliminary announcement from Sept. 21.

Revenues for the fourth quarter were $9,791,000, as compared to $4,467,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. This represents the fourth consecutive quarter of increased revenue.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 ending Sept. 30, Phoenix reported a loss of $1,781,000 before restructuring charges, bad debts, and taxes, and a loss after restructuring charges, bad debts, and taxes of $8,488,000.

Cash and cash equivalents at Sept. 30, 1990, were $11,118,000 as compared to $10,924,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Phoenix Technologies Ltd. designs, develops and markets system software products for personal computers and laser printers. Its products allow manufacturers to offer their customers computers and printers that are compatible with industry standards. More than 300 of the major personal computer and peripherals manufacturers rely on Phoenix for its system-level

software and hardware compatibility expertise.

CONTACT: Phoenix Technologies Ltd., Norwood
Rob Langer, 617/551-4161
or
Ronald D. Fisher, 617/551-4211.

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#90317b0925 11/13/1990 ~Business Wire

LOUISVILLE, KY (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Dataguard Recovery Services Inc. reported net income of $87,918 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, its highest quarterly earnings since the company's inception in 1984.

Revenue for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, totalled $900,608, a 24 percent increase over revenue of $724,800 reported for the same period last year.

The increase in net income and revenues can be primarily attributed to a new, five-year agreement to provide additional backup services to General Electric Co. that was announced in July.

Richard W. Smith, president of Dataguard, noted that ''even though the GE agreement was chiefly responsible for our strong quarterly performance, we are pleased that other marketing activity also played a role in this record quarter.

''We were also successful in securing both new customer agreements and agreements to provide additional services to certain other existing customers.''

Dataguard is a Louisville-based publicly held company which markets disaster recovery services to users of large-scale computers throughout the United States and Canada. The company's stock trades in the over-the-counter market.

CONTACT: Dataguard Recovery Services Inc., Louisville
Dewey D. Minton Jr., 502/368-2501.

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#90317b0932 11/13/1990 ~Business Wire

HOUSTON (NOV. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - DI Industries Inc. (ASE:DRL), the ''company '' Tuesday announced the purchase of the drilling assets of James Bigard Drilling Co. (''Bigard'').

Bigard is one of the largest drilling contractors in Michigan with a material percentage of the market share in that state. The purchased assets include 12 drilling rigs with capabilities to 18,000 feet. The purchase also included

the assets of a trucking company with 26 trucks in its fleet and certain casing tool assets.

The acquisition was for $5,019,785 cash and was effective Nov. 13, 1990. Max M. Dillard, president of DI Industries, stated that this purchase is in line with its acquisition objectives. A portion of the proceeds from the public offering in March of this year was used to finance the acquisition.

This acquisition will bring DI's domestic rig fleet to 95 drilling rigs and DI continues to have cash for further acquisitions. DI is currently profitable, reporting its best earnings since 1982.

DI Industries provides onshore contract drilling and well workover services to firms in the oil and gas industry, commercial drilling, oil and gas exploration and production and equipment repair and sales.

CONTACT: DI Industries, Houston
David J. Cone, 713/874-0202.

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#90317c0003 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 9:

Imaging Management Associates Inc. (IMAI)
InterFirst Bancorp Inc. (INFB)

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#90317c0004 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 12 due to an insufficient number of active market makers:

Management Graphics (MGGRF)

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 9:

Cellular Information Systems Inc. - Cl. A (CALLA); Capital and surplus below minimum

Cine-Source Inc. - Cl. B Conv. Pfd. (FILMP), Callable Wts. 6/13/91 (FILMW); Issue postponed - security never quoted

Exovir Inc. (XOVR); Capital and surplus below minimum
Scientific Imaging Instruments Inc. - Ut. 8/10/94 (SIMIU); Capital and surplus below minimum

Triple Threat Enterprises Inc. (BOXR), Ut. 11/6/95 (BOXRU), Cl. A
Wts. 11/6/95 (BOXRW); Issue postponed - security never quoted

Wildey Inc. (WILD); Capital and surplus below minimum
Worlco Data Systems Inc. (WDSI); No longer 12 (g) registered

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#90317c0005 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 12:

Hanger Orthopedic Group Inc. (HOGG) to (HNGR)
ICC Technologies Inc. (ICGN) to (ICGNC)
International Bankcard Services Corp. (IBSC) to (IBSCC), Uts. 1992 (IBSCU) to Uts. 1992 (IBSUC)

LEAK-X Corp. (LEAK) to (LEAKC), Wts. 2/14/92 (LEAKW) to Wts. 2/14/92 (LEAWC)

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#90317c0007 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:36 that trade in Drexler Technology Corp.(NASDAQ: DRXR) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 4 1/8. The company is located in Mountain View, California.

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#90317c0008 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Canal-Randolph Limited Partnership reported profits of $124,000, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $226,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $112,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $269,000 for the same period in 1989.

The company reports it is in the process of liquidation and that gains are due primarily to the activities of the partnership's investment operations.

Its corporate address is 717 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10022, and its telephone number is (212) 826-6040.

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#90317c0009 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Default Proof Credit Card System Inc.(TICKER: DPRS) lost $240,814, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $9,699 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $225,319, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $55,966 for the same period in 1989.

The company is a development stage enterprise and reports there were no significant revenues from operations in the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company states it does not expect any change in its revenue-generating ability until pending litigation is concluded.

Its executive address is Suite 370, 800 Douglas Entrance, Coral Gables, Florida 33134, and its telephone number is (305) 446-8361.

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#90317c0010 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows William H. Sadlier Inc.(TICKER: SADL) earned $10.93 million, or $2.93 per share, on revenues of $10.39 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $11.0 million, or $4.77 per share, on revenues of $11.68 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90317c0011 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows National Income Realty Trust (TICKER: NIRT) lost $2.66 million, or $0.74 per share, on revenues of $7.43 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $249,000, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $8.17 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90317c0012 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust (TICKER: CMET) lost $553,000, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $3.82 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net earnings of $192,000, or $0.05 per share, on revenues of $3.82 million for the same period in 1989.

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#90317c0013 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Hadson

Europe Inc.(TICKER: HADE) lost $173,000, or $0.02 per share, on no revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $147,000, or $0.01 per share, on no revenues for the same period in 1989.

The company reports that as of Dec. 31, 1988, all domestic properties were sold, and that subsequent to Dec. 31, 1986, it had no significant operations other than holding rights to undeveloped oil and gas concessions, the most significant of which is in France.

During 1989, the company recognized impairment of $494,000 related to its French cost center.

The executive address is 101 Park Avenue, Fourteenth Floor, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102, and its telephone number is (405) 235-9531.

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#90317c0015 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The 10-Q report filed at the NASD shows Excel Interfinancial Corp.(TICKER: EXEL) earned $61,504, or $0.21 per share, on revenues of $2.58 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net losses of $174,587 (including a loss of $38,661 on discontinued operations), or $0.51 per share, on revenues of $307,326 for the same period in 1989.

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#90317c0016 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:12 that trade in Erie Lackawanna Inc.(NASDAQ: ERIE) has been resumed. The first sale was 53 1/2; up 12 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90317c0017 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:19 that trade in Drexler Technology Corp.(NASDAQ: DRXR) has been resumed. The first sale was 5; up 7/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90317c0018 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:28 that trade in Incomnet Inc.(NASDAQ: ICNT) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 1, 1 1/16.

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#90317c0019 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:43 that trade in Incomnet Inc.(NASDAQ: INCT) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 1 1/16, 1 1/8; up 1/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90317c0020 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:58 that trade in Par Technology Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol PTC.

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#90317c0021 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 29, 1990, the board of directors of Tellus Industries Inc.(TICKER: TLLS) approved a change of expiration date on its Class A common stock purchase warrants from Oct. 30, 1990 to March 31, 1991.

There are currently outstanding and unexercised 1.44 million Class A warrants.

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#90317c0023 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 2 1990, L. Luria & Son Inc. dismissed its former independent accountants, Deloitte & Touche, and engaged the firm of KPMG Peat Marwick in that office.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those Sformer auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90317c0024 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Hart Technologies Inc.(TICKER: HTII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$2,569,972	$1,942,679
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$11,259	$(250,721)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.03)

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,052,190	$1,088,732
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,263,902	$671,521

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#90317c0025 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Rathbone, King & Seeley Inc.(TICKER: RATH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$11,019,000	$10,857,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$94,000	$142,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$27,000	$343,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.25

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$87,496,000	$77,847,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,083,000	$15,861,000

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#90317c0026 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Electronic Tele-Communications Inc. (TICKER: ETCI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,130,889	$3,256,383
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$217,720	$34,869
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,296,848	2,295,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,114,830	$8,646,024
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,291,267	$5,012,517

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#90317c0027 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Voit Corp.(TICKER: VOIT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

Sept. 28, Sept. 29,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,736,396	$5,491,695
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(479,627)	$(437,838)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.18)	$(0.16)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,684,927	2,684,927

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 28, 1990	Dec. 29, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,382,663	$15,154,140
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,518,766	$2,897,022

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#90317c0028 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by UTI Chemicals Inc.(TICKER: UTIC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Nine Months Ended

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$295,257	$1,674,503
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(220,052)	$100,738
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	20,423,931	20,423,931

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,179,507	$2,125,287
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,327,186	$1,001,449

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#90317c0029 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Rentrak Corp.(TICKER: RENT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,536,662	$3,758,675
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$199,042	$(447,310)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$(0.13)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,208,651	3,472,939

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$5,163,317	$5,563,836
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$928,390	$(932,335)

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#90317c0031 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:05 that trade in Phoenix Medical Technology (NASDAQ: PHNX) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1/2.

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#90317c0032 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Centennial Bancorp (TICKER: CEBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$346,163	$274,773
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.18	$0.15

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$111,265,955	$99,701,851
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,134,928	$8,077,030

-30- 779

#90317c0033 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Biogen Inc.(TICKER: BGEN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,812,000	$11,548,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,791,000	$1,692,000

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	25,929,000	$23,465,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$153,006,000	$145,241,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1444,235,000	$139,235,000

Biogen's executive office is located at 14 Cambridge Center, Cambridge, MA 02142 and its telephone number is (617) 864-8900.

-30- 1172

#90317c0034 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Himedics Inc.(TICKER: HMED).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(856,269)	$(769,700)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.14)	$(0.14)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,774,483	$1,812,129
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$773,493	$512,208

Himedics is a development stage firm engaged in the development of a line of unique pharmaceutical products which it intends to manufacture and market in the pediatric and geriatric markets.

-30- 1145
#90317c0035 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Nuvision Inc.(TICKER: NUVI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$15,253,000	$14,838,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(68,000)	$(236,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,716,000	2,778,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$29,328,962	$30,809,641
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$19,498,507	$20,103,054

-30- 1019
#90317c0036 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Northeast Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: NBIC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(5,674,000)	$8,815,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.78)	$1.11

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,272,777,000	$3,484,043,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$209,906,000	$254,081,000

-30- 793
#90317c0037 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Waltham Corp.(TICKER: WLBK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$403,000	$107,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.14	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,917,900	3,140,650

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$570,385,000	$528,050,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$49,560,000	$51,487,000

-30- 853
#90317c0039 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Stanford Telecommunications Inc.(TICKER: STII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$25,2333,000	$20,861,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$879,000	$(612,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.18	$(0.13)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,965,000	4,766,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$51,486,000	$56,161,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$31,624,000	$29,945,000

-30- 1061
#90317c0040 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Margate Ventures Inc.(TICKER: CGUL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,246,026	$864,621
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$512,500
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$181,608	$(410,763)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,802,168	$4,102,181
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,346,561	$1,741,338

-30- 979
#90317c0041 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by SDNB Financial Corp.(TICKER: SDNB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$235,000	$214,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.16	$0.14

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$182,939,000	$175,395,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,777,000	$14,745,000

-30- 789
#90317c0042 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by U.S. Intec Inc.(TICKER: INTK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$21,581,529	$18,599,246
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,082,070	$829,334
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.36	$0.28
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,969,161	2,969,161

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$48,523,684	$38,744,311
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$21,861,143	$19,479,761

-30- 1034
#90317c0043 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Financial Caribbean Corp.(TICKER: FRCC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,631,000	$9,902,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$704,000	$610,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.28	$0.26
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,519,810	2,400,174

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$362,413,000	$343,423,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$25,292,000	$23,108,000

-30- 1031

#90317c0044 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Lakeland Bancorp Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1989	1990
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$423,466	$498,899
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.40	$0.48
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,048,390	1,048,390

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1989	Dec. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$163,191,303	$170,036,775
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,758,169	$14,522,266

-30- 841

#90317c0045 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Noven Pharmaceuticals Inc.(TICKER: NOVN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$34,891	$54,490
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(254,975)	$(4,131)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,468,246	11,263,277

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,585,231	$3,446,800
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,573,183	$2,247,250

-30- 1036

#90317c0047 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Monoclonal Medical Inc.(TICKER: MEMO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$185,515	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,095,539)	$(1,978)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,923,825	$9,070,904
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,295,998	$8,632,452

-30- 906

#90317c0048 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Alliance Pharmaceutical Corp.(TICKER: ALLP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$325,922	$203,054
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(4,237,693)	$(1,985,577)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.30)	$(0.16)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	14,141,116	12,758,226

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$56,079,756	$59,451,042
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$44,928,422	$48,833,733

-30- 1036

#90317c0049 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Kinder-Care Learning Centers Inc.(TICKER: KIND).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$97,914,000	$83,952,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,795,000)	$696,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	51,210,000	51,740,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 29, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$540,193,000	$556,025,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$101,056,000	$103,796,000

-30- 1039

#90317c0050 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Metro Cable Corp.(TICKER: METO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$36,454	$22,186
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(45,525)	$(19,818)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,071,296	2,637,102

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,655,501	$6,234,739
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,564,013	$6,033,100

-30- 1022

#90317c0051 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Franklin Corp.(TICKER: FFHS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$253,000	$162,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.41	$0.29

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$196,092,000	$193,665,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,485,000	$14,007,000

-30- 790

#90317c0052 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Rexworks Inc.(TICKER: REXW).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$11,832,000	$10,386,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(195,000)	$(881,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$(0.49)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,849,489	1,805,783

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$23,688,000	$29,310,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,512,000	$7,955,000

-30- 989

#90317c0053 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:29 that trade in Jacor Communicationa Inc.(NASDAQ: JCOR) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1 3/4. The company is located in Cincinnati, Ohio.

-30- 357

#90317c0056 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:16 that trade in Trans Capital Financial Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol TFC.

-30- 338

#90317c0057 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:17 that trade in Phoenix Medical Technology (NASDAQ: PHNX) has been resumed. The first sale was 1/4; down 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 364

#90317c0058 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Trans Leasing International Inc.(TICKER: TLII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,380,000	$3,840,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$302,000	$285,000

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$0.10
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,934,400	2,934,400

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$95,175,000	$91,254,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,516,000	$14,214,000

-30- 1033

#90317c0059 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mercom Inc.(TICKER: MERO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,582,000	$1,897,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(348,000)	$(231,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.15)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,402,000	2,518,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$30,143,000	$27,066,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(3,558,000)	$2,007,000

-30- 972

#90317c0060 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Statesman Group Inc.(TICKER: STTG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$62,851,000	$58,271,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(196,000)	$(565,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$924,000	$2,396,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$0.18
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,184,000	12,260,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,514,110,000	$2,857,981,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$68,208,000	$65,503,000

-30- 1056

#90317c0061 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Petroleum Development Corp.(TICKER: PETD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,138,800	$2,784,700
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(54,400)	$(216,300)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$26,104,400	$28,690,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,042,500	$9,943,700

-30- 996

#90317c0062 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Picturetel Corp.(TICKER: PCTL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,697,000	$4,509,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$326,000	$(941,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$(0.35)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,217,000	2,673,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$26,186,000	$21,409,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$12,262,000	$12,812,000

-30- 994

#90317c0064 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Otra Securities Group Inc.(TICKER: OSGI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,444,275	$2,205,988
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,215,470	$3,320
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.40	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,031,694	3,219,974

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,571,836	$20,893,984
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,520,616	$3,005,009

-30- 1014

#90317c0065 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Comair Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$47,823,252	$35,906,614
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,440,162	$2,633,384
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.30	$0.32
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,133,644	8,145,044

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$150,201,615	$128,241,223
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$65,459,611	$60,015,389

-30- 1002
#90317c0066 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Mobile Systems Inc.(TICKER: AMSE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,536,000	$1,421,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,409,000)	$(2,028,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$(0.31)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,820,000	6,596,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$25,328,000	$26,372,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,626,000	$341,000

-30- 1033
#90317c0067 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Imatron Inc.(TICKER: IMAT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,744,000	$3,212,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,461,000)	$(965,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	31,336,000	32,014,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,597,000	$16,097,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,769,000	$7,972,000

-30- 1016
#90317c0068 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Gaming Inc.(TICKER: UGAM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$22,454,000	$19,250,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(8,836,000)	$1,528,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.95)	$0.18
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,295,000	$8,512,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$87,353,000	$93,638,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$33,975,000	$42,811,000

-30- 1031

#90317c0069 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Northern Trust Corp.(TICKER: NTRS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$28,450,000	$24,571,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.81	$0.72
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	34,249,610	32,798,540

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,610,000,000	$10,938,000,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$688,900,000	$591,200,000

-30- 868

#90317c0070 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:39 that trade in Jacor Communications Inc.(NASDAQ: JCOR) has been resumed. The first sale was 1 7/8; up 1/8 point from the halt, and up 1/16 point from the previous close.

-30- 375

#90317c0072 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Gulf Applied Technologies Inc.(TICKER: GATS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,635,000	$637,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$793,000	$342,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.24	$0.10
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,302,000	3,323,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$36,293,000	$28,537,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$34,164,000	$26,059,000

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#90317c0073 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by MIPS Computer Systems Inc.(TICKER: MIPS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$37,485,000	$27,068,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$143,000	$1,820,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.09
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	25,364,000	19,400,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$197,861,000	$165,944,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$150,090,000	$127,305,000

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#90317c0074 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Office Club Inc.(TICKER: OCLB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$72,106,000	$38,250,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$440,000	$(2,113,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$(0.36)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,179,000	5,917,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$82,326,000	$53,754,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$32,314,000	$18,655,000

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#90317c0075 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co.(TICKER: HRHC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$21,548,160	$20,343,323
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,734,307	$1,551,267
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.21	$0.19
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,448,294	8,190,109

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$122,821,664	$117,221,030
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$33,129,277	$26,168,752

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#90317c0076 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bernstein/Leibstone Associates Inc.(TICKER: BLAI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,377,396	$3,528,064
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$43,807	$112,463
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,100,000	4,100,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,272,280	$5,891,325
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,612,087	$2,446,323

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#90317c0077 11/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Invacare Corp.(TICKER: IVCR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$58,583,000	$46,071,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,168,000	$208,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.37	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,842,000	5,836,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$129,362,000	$122,885,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$38,121,000	$32,141,000

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#90317c0078 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Dahlberg Corp.(TICKER: DAHL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$19,369,000	$16,239,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$760,000	$806,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.26	$0.28
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,911,000	2,862,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$36,300,000	$30,795,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$19,913,000,	$17,247,000

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#90317c0080 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - NWNL Companies Inc. (NWNL) was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 12. It is now listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

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#90317c0081 11/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following issues will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 13:

BankEast Corp. (BENHQ) to (BENQE)
DocuCon Inc. (DOCUC) to (DOCU)
Foreland Corp. (FORLC) to (FORL)
Morgro Chemical Co. (MRGR) to (MRGRE)
Sherwood Corp. (SHRWE) to (SHRW)
Suncoast S&L Assn. (SCSLE) to (SCSL)

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#90317d0080 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 14) - Bridgestone Corp., Japan's largest tiremaker, announced

Wednesday it was acquiring the foreign operations of the United States' Banner Industries Inc. for about 28 million dollars.

The purchase involved Banner's indirect, wholly-owned subsidiaries -- Thompson Aircraft Tire Corp. Belgium, S.A. and Thompson Aircraft Tire Corp. (U.K.) Limited, Bridgestone said.

It also included as the company's 45-percent equity interest in Thompson Aircraft Tire Co. (Asia) Ltd., based in Hong Kong.

The transaction is expected to close in January 1991 pending approval by both companies' boards of directors, the company said, and Bridgestone will continue to sell new aircraft tires to Banner's U.S. operations.

The firms have also made arrangements that could facilitate Bridgestone's entry into the U.S. aircraft tire-retreading market, Bridgestone said.

Bridgestone's consolidated sales totaled 11.7 billion dollars in 1989 on products including industrial rubber, chemical products and sporting goods sold in more than 150 countries and territories.

Banner Industries, Inc. is a Virginia-based aircraft and industrial products retailer with consolidated sales in 1989 of 433 million dollars and net income of 50 million dollars.

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#90317d0120 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 14) - Japan's Yamaha Motor Co. Ltd. said Wednesday its net profit rose 2.5 percent from a year earlier to 1.85 billion yen (13.4 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The world's second-largest motorcycle manufacturer attributed the rise to brisk sales that jumped 12.1 percent to 220 billion yen (1.6 billion dollars).

Domestic sales of motorcycles dropped 8.2 percent, but exports advanced 13.1 percent, reflecting smooth sales to Europe and Southeast Asia.

Boats and outboard engines, special-duty products and automobile motors also performed well.

For the full year to March, Yamaha forecast a net profit of 3.2 billion yen (23 million dollars), up 20.3 percent from the previous year, on sales of 450 billion yen (3.3 billion dollars), up nine percent.

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#90317d3840 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 13) - The Asian Development Bank (ADB) Tuesday said it had approved a three million-dollar technical assistance grant to the Philippine-based International Rice Research Institute.

The grant will be used in research on problems of rain-fed rice ecosystems and rice-wheat farming systems in Asia, where 90 per cent of the world's rice production is harvested, a statement by the Manila-based ADB said.

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#90317d3850 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 13) - The Asian Development Bank (ADB) on Tuesday guaranteed a supplementary 110 million dollar loan to India's Power Finance Corp. (PFC) for two thermal power projects, the bank said in a statement.

The two projects, North Madras Thermal Power in Tamil Nadu state and Rayalaseema Thermal Power in Andhra Pradesh state, comprise two 210-megawatt units each and had received ADB loans of 150 million dollars and 230 million dollars respectively.

The new loan is to be released through the Manila-based bank's complementary financing scheme, in which commercial lenders provide funds to the ADB to co-finance a project.

The loan, to be divided equally between the two projects, will come as a two-tranche package, with the first installment of 60 million dollars to be funded by eight international commercial banks, with Mitsui Taiyo Kobe Asia Ltd. as the agent.

The first tranche has a final maturity of 15 years including a five-year grace period at an interest rate of 50 basis points per annum over the six-month London interbank offered rate (Libor).

The second tranche of 7.5 billion yen (about 50 million dollars) will come from 20 Japanese institutional lenders, with Dai-Ichi Mutual Life Insurance Co. as the lead manager and Mitsui Taiyo Kobe Bank Ltd as the agent.

The tranche has a 21-year maturity, including a 15-year grace period with the repayment of the principal to come only from the last six years.

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#90317d3860 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 13) - Mitsubishi Motors Corp. Tuesday denied reports that it planned to further expand cooperation with its U.S. partner, Chrysler Corp., America's third largest automaker.

Mitsubishi was responding to a report Monday in the newsletter Automotive News

Report that Chrysler, after its negotiations with the Italian firm Fiat collapsed, was about to start talks with Mitsubishi on extending cooperation in the United States and in Southeast Asia.

Chrysler sold 45 percent of its Mitsubishi shares to a Japanese investment consortium in September 1989 for 592 million dollars, reducing its participation in Mitsubishi from 21.8 percent to 10.99 percent.

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#90317d4020 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 13) - Japan's Saitama Bank Ltd. and Kyowa Bank Ltd. have agreed to merge, forming the country's ninth-biggest bank with some 33 trillion yen (258 billion dollars) in assets, spokesmen for the two banks said Tuesday.

The spokesmen said the merger would take effect from April 1 next year and would be formally announced at a joint news conference Tuesday evening. Further details, including the terms of the merger, were not available

Saitama Bank, based in Urawa City north of Tokyo, is Japan's 10th-biggest so-called city bank and the 12th-largest bank overall with 16.7 trillion yen in assets (130 billion dollars) at the end of March. It is also the biggest bank in Saitama prefecture, a suburban rural area adjoining the capital.

Kyowa Bank, based in Tokyo, ranks 11th among city banks and 13th overall with total assets amounting to 16.5 trillion yen (129 billion dollars).

As well as being of similar size, the two banks have similar activities, concentrating on retail banking and lending to medium- to small-sized companies.

The proposed merger is the first by major banks in Japan since Mitsui Bank Ltd. and Taiyo-Kobe Bank Ltd. announced their intention to merge last year.

The two banks merged their activities in April this year, forming the second-biggest bank in Japan -- and the world -- with more than 63 trillion yen (492 billion dollars) in total assets.

"I think we're seeing the writing on the wall for the number of banks in this country," said Stuart Matthews, a banking analyst at British stockbroker Barclays de Zoette Wedd Securities (Japan) Ltd.

"These banks desperately need to merge," he said, adding that the latest move was expected to increase the likelihood of other mergers involving major candidates such as Sanwa Bank Ltd., Tokai Bank Ltd. and Bank of Tokyo Ltd.

But he also predicted hard times ahead in combining the activities of the two banks, noting that Saitama was a relatively fast growing and aggressively-run

bank while Kyowa was more conservative.

"Banking mergers amongst equals are really difficult," he said.

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#90317d4050 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 13) - Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu pledged 227 million dollars in additional aid to the Philippines Tuesday in a meeting with President Corazon Aquino, a Japanese government spokesman said.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Taizo Watanabe said 200 million dollars would be in the form of commodity loans for rehabilitation after a killer earthquake in the Philippines in July.

The remaining 27 million dollars would be a non-project grant to be spent as Manila thinks fit, he said.

Mr. Watanabe described the second part of the aid as "rather exceptional," reflecting the parlous economic situation in the Philippines as a result of the earthquake and the impact of the Gulf crisis.

The main aid would be in the form of a loan to finance the purchase of goods needed for rehabilitation projects following the Luzon earthquake, which killed 2,300 people on July 16.

Manila says it needs about half a billion dollars for relief and rehabilitation, mostly to rebuild damaged infrastructure.

Japanese officials also quoted Mr. Kaifu as saying he wanted to make a full and appropriate effort for speedy provision of yen loans to help tide the Philippines over the Gulf crisis, but adding that Philippine efforts were needed so that this could be discussed.

The Philippines is the only country promised immediate and specific aid on request during the many meetings between Japanese officials and dignitaries visiting here for Monday's enthronement of Emperor Akihito.

Tokyo had already been warned of Manila's needs in a letter from Mrs. Aquino last month.

A Japanese statement quoted Philippine Finance Secretary Jesus Estanislao, who accompanied Mrs. Aquino here, as saying Manila hoped for an early disbursement of the Philippine portion of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)-Japan Development Fund (AJDF).

Mr. Kaifu replied that Tokyo planned to send an AJDF mission to the Philippines by the end of the year.

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#90317d4490 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 13) - Japan's two biggest watchmakers, Seiko Corp and Citizen Watch Co. Ltd., announced Tuesday sharp rises in earnings for the six months to September accompanied by strong increases in sales.

Seiko, the country's biggest manufacturer of watches and clocks and one of the largest worldwide, said its net profit leapt 30.8 percent from a year earlier to just over one billion yen (7.3 million dollars).

Sales grew 11.1 percent to 153 billion yen (1.1 billion dollars) in the same period with increased sales of watches, clocks and jewellery.

Net profit for the full year is forecast to reach 1.5 billion yen (11 million dollars) on sales of 310 billion yen (2.3 billion dollars).

Citizen, the country's second-biggest watchmaker but its most profitable, said its net profit surged 63.5 percent to 5.9 billion yen (43 million dollars) in the six months.

Sales climbed 37.1 percent to 123 billion yen (891 million dollars). Sales of watches and parts rose, along with sales of industrial machinery, information equipment and electronics equipment.

Net profit for the full year is expected to reach 9.5 billion yen (69 million dollars) on sales of 240 billion yen (1.7 billion dollars).

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#90317d4500 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 13) - The Japan Development Bank said Tuesday it would issue government-guaranteed Eurobonds worth 200 million dollars on the Euromaket next week.

The seven-year bond would be issued under fixed-price sales formula, the first flotation of its kind by government-financed bank.

The seven-year bonds carry a coupon rate of 9.25 percent per annum with the subscribers' yields also set at 9.25 percent. The payment date is on November 21.

Since the bond issue is to be made at a fixed price, no discounts are available when underwriters resell them to customers, bank officials said.

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#90317d4510 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (NOV. 13) - The Uruguay Round of trade liberalization talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) has no chance of reaching a conclusion, Australian Trade Negotiations minister Neal Blewett said here Tuesday.

Mr. Blewett, also head of the Cairns Group of agricultural exporting nations, said in an interview this was a result of European Economic Community (EEC) intransigence over farm subsidies.

He said the Brussels meeting next month had been intended to enable ministers to resolve a small number of outstanding issues but was designed primarily to wind up the talks.

"There is no chance now the Brussels meeting can be that because of the state of the Round. Not only is agriculture deadlocked but the deadlock over agriculture has helped to poison many of the other negotiations," Mr. Blewett said.

Mr. Blewett, here to attend a conference on Australian-New Zealand economic relations, said the EEC appeared to have little flexibility to negotiate and there would be no settlement of agricultural issues unless there was a determination to reach some real compromise.

He laid responsibility for the deadlock squarely at the feet of the Europeans and said it should be made clear it was the richest collection of nations in the world which was refusing to budge.

"We may need to look at new ways where we can keep the process going and try and renew it, but certainly the present proposals I do not believe are going to be able to be worked through unless there is some miracle conversion by the European Community this week."

New Zealand Trade Negotiations Minister Philip Burdon said the EEC stand had jeopardised the talks.

"I am dedicated to seeing Brussels succeed but this is clearly not going to be possible unless the EC shows it is willing to improve on its agricultural offer," he said.

"We have searched the EC's offer for its liberalising content but have failed to find it."

The EEC agreed last week to cut farm subsidies by 30 per cent, retroactive to 1986. The United States, New Zealand, and other agricultural exporting countries have been pressing for much larger cuts in the subsidies.

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#90317d4580 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PERTH, AUSTRALIA (NOV. 13) - Australian inventor Ralph Sarich has vigorously rejected claims that his company's two-stroke orbital combustion process engine may not meet stringent exhaust emission standards.

"We categorically refute any suggestion that the engine is not capable of reaching the most stringent exhaust emission standards proposed for the early 21st century," Mr. Sarich said in a statement to the Perth Stock Exchange on behalf of Sarich Technologies Ltd.

The response came in the wake of a reported statement by the president pf the Honda Motor Co., Nobuhiko Kawamoto, that the Sarich engine was "not such a great engine."

According to the report, he had said that Honda engineers found it difficult to control the engine's exhaust gases under low load.

The reported observation is of major significance because the Sarich engine's environmental cleanness has been regarded as one of its major virtues in an increasingly emissions-conscious world.

Mr. Sarich said in his statement that his company had respected Honda's request to keep details of the two companies' agreement confidential.

"But incorrect public statements which question our results, the company's credibility and the integrity of directors, means the company's legal obligations to regulatory bodies must be met."

Mr. Sarich said the Sarich Technologies subsidiary, Orbital Engine Co., had been paid a large amount by Honda for engines which were delivered. He said Honda had sent seven engineers to Perth to examine the performance of the Sarich engine.

"This resulted in Honda being satisfied with the validity of Orbital's claims and had led to Honda entering into an agreement," Mr. Sarich said.

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#90317d4650 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (NOV. 13) - The Hoechst chemical concern reported here Tuesday its group pre-tax earnings in the first nine months of 1990 plunged 21.7 per cent to 2.45 billion marks (1.65 billion dollars).

Hoechst chairman Wolfgang Hilger cited the dollar's decline, dropping sales prices and the rising cost of raw materials for the sharp falloff in earnings.

The Hoechst group turnover of 33.2 billion marks in the first nine months was

2.4 per cent lower than in the same period of 1989.

The parent company accounted for 12.4 billion marks of the turnover, down 1.5 per cent, and for pre-tax earnings of 1.4 billion marks, off by 12.7 per cent.

Hoechst is the first of the top three German chemical companies to report its results for the first nine months.

The other two firms, Basf and Bayer, will be reporting their figures in the coming two weeks, with industry analysts predicting that those companies' earnings will also be drastically below their year-ago levels.

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#90317d4970 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 13) - Japan's largest toilet manufacturing firm, Toto Ltd., said Tuesday its net profit edged up 0.6 per cent from a year earlier to 8.6 billion yen (62 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Sales grew 13.8 per cent to 186 billion yen (1.4 billion dollars), it said. Sales of toilets and metal fittings rose modestly while sales of housing and facility equipment along with other sanitary accessories grew sharply.

Net profit is forecast to reach 18 billion yen (130 million dollars) in the year to March on sales of 390 billion yen (2.8 billion dollars).

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#90317d4980 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 13) - Japan's Mitsubishi Petrochemical Co. Ltd. said Tuesday its net profit fell 4.6 per cent from a year earlier to 12.98 billion yen (94 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, an affiliate of Anglo-Dutch oil group Shell and the country's biggest petrochemical concern, said sales climbed 5.5 per cent to 200 billion yen (1.5 billion dollars) in the same period.

Sales of plastics along with special-pupose and fine chemicals rose, while sales of general chemical products fell. Exports leapt 37.6 per cent to 21.1 billion yen (153 million dollars).

The company forecast a net profit for the full year of 26 billion yen (188 million dollars) on sales of 430 billion yen (3.2 billion dollars).

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#90317d5180 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 13) - Leningrad's city council is studying food rationing

proposals, a city official said Tuesday.

Rousalia Valiakhmietova, deputy director of the city's food committee, said in a telephone interview that "city officials are debating the issue but no decision has yet been taken."

Western sources said the city, which has a population of more than four million, had only very limited food reserves.

Last week Moscow's mayor, Gavril Popov, said food rationing tickets could be introduced in the Soviet capital on December 1.

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#90317d5190 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 13) - Germany expects economic growth in former West Germany to reach 4.5 per cent this year, the fastest growth rate since 1976, the economy ministry said in a report publshed here Tuesday.

It revised upwards an estimate by Economy Minister Helmut Hausmann who said last month that growth in this part of the country would be around four per cent.

Tuesday's report said that growth in the third quarter of 1990 had reached 5.5 percent over the same period last year,

The official figure will be announced December 4.

In the first quarter of this year growth in west Germany was 4.5 percent compared with the same period last year and then 3.4 percent for the second quarter.

Strong demand from the five new Laender (states) which made up former east Germany was behind the spurt in growth in the third quarter, said the ministry.

But the ministry's experts point out that the gap between the two former nations continues to widen. The economic outlook for the west was healthy but that for the east was poor.

The ministry did not provide any figures but said that output in the east continued to decline in the third quarter.

In a report last month the five main economic institutes in Germany forecast the the gross national product of the east would decline by 16 percent this year and 10 percent next.

The ministry said 700,000 new jobs had been created in west Germany, a rise not seen since the 1950s when the west was recovering after World War II.

In the east, however, unemployment rose 92,900 to 537,800 in October with part time workers numbering 1,767,000.

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#90317d5230 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 13) - The Japanese automaker Toyota is in the process of buying a site here for its new European headquarters, a Toyota spokesman said here Tuesday.

He said the company had agreed to pay 1.475 billion Belgian francs (49 million dollars) for a 12 hectare (29 acre) site at Zaventem, on the outskirts of the Belgian capital. The deal is to be signed at the end of November.

The new headquarters, to be called Toyota Motor Europe Marketing and Engineering SA, will handle sales, marketing and research and development for Europe, grouping functions now carried out separately in various countries.

Vehicles to be sold in Europe will be channelled through Brussels, including the estimated 200,000 a year to come off Toyota's British production line, which is due to be completed in 1993.

Last year, Toyota sold 400,000 vehicles thoughout Europe. The spokesman would not estimate projected sales, saying only: "Competition will be tough."

An automobile industry source said Toyota's decision to expand its Belgian operations reflected the growing importance of the European Economic Community (EEC) as it moves towards a single market in 1993.

The EEC' executive arm, the European Commission, has its headquarters here. Recently the Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association moved its headquarters from Paris to Brussels.

Japanese car sales in Europe are a sensitive issue during the run-up to the single market for the 12 EEC countries in 1993.

The commission has been holding informal talks with Japan for nearly a year in a bid to limit Japanese car imports to the EEC after 1992.

Some EEC countries, notably France, Italy and Spain, apply tough restrictions to Japanese auto imports, and want a long transition period during which these imports will continue to be subject to quotas.

Earlier this month, the European Commissioner in charge of industrial policy, Martin Bangemann, proposed a compromise five-year period from 1993 before Japanese carmakers have unlimited access to the European market.

In the first eight months of this year, Japanese firms sold 1.09 million cars in the EEC -- up nearly six per cent on the corresponding period last year. They increased their market share from 10.9 to 11.6 per cent.

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#90317d5250 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (NOV. 13) - The Danish current balance of payments could register a surplus in 1990 for the first time since 1963, observers said Tuesday after figures for the first three quarters of this year were released by the national statistics institute.

A surplus of almost six billion Danish kroner (1.052 billion dollars) was registered in the first nine months of the year, against a 4.3 billion kroner (754 million dollar) deficit for the corresponding period last year, the institute said.

Economic experts said that although results for the last quarter of the year were "uncertain", the balance of paments for the year overall could register a surplus.

Niels Helveg Petersen, minister for the economy, said he was pleased at the results but warned that the current quarters' results could be badly affected by fluctuating oil prices and changing interest rates on the foreign debt.

The foreign debt so far has dropped from 300 billion kroner (52.6 billion dollars) to 285 billion kroners (50 billion dollars) thanks to the kroner's strong performance against a weakened dollar.

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#90317d5460 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (NOV. 13) - Taiwan approved a record 1.21 billion U.S. dollars worth of overseas investment projects by local businessmen in the first 10 months of 1990, the Investment Commission said Tuesday.

The value of the 246 approved projects represented a 98.7 percent surge over the same period last year, the government agency said.

The commission attributed growing outbound investment to a strategy among local enterprises to penetrate the international market by establishing companies abroad through mergers or acquisitions.

Many Taiwan low-value-added industries have shifted their capital and operations overseas to avert an acute labor shortage and prohibitive land prices, it said, adding that foreign countries offering duty-free or low-tax treatment were especially attractive to local manufacturers.

It said the United States was the most popular country for the island's investors, attracting 83 projects totalling 330.74 million dollars, trailed by Malaysia with 32 projects worth 180.99 million dollars.

Banking and insurance industries were Taiwan businessmen's favorites, followed by the electronics and electrical appliances fields, it added.

But the value of approved foreign investment projects on the island dropped 6.68 percent to 1.93 billion dollars in the January-October period against the 110 percent growth posted in the first 10 months of 1989, the commission said.

Among the approved foreign investment projects, the 309 by non-Chinese foreign nationals totalled 1.72 billion dollars, down 9.2 percent, it said,

and 74 projects worth 206.49 million dollars were from overseas ethnic Chinese, a 21.8 percent growth in value.

Japan was Taiwan's largest foreign investor in the 10 months with 635.63 million dollars of 148 projects approved, a 28.29 percent rise. It was trailed by the U.S. with 49 projects valued at 472.3 million dollars.

The chemical industry was most favored by foreign investors, absorbing 22.25 percent of approved foreign investment value, while the electronics and electrical appliance manufacturing sectors followed with 16.45 percent.

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#90317d5530 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 13) - The Lithuanian parliament Tuesday protested over Moscow's bid to control trade in the Baltic republics, saying this created a "very serious crisis", informed local sources said.

A declaration, adopted by the vast majority of deputies, said that talks with Moscow over economic cooperation for the next year had floundered because of the Kremlin's "dictates" that it should retain overall control of foreign trade and currency exchanges.

The premiers of the three Baltic republics -- Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia -- met in Moscow last weekend with Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov to discuss economic cooperation in the coming year.

An agreement, however, "is impossible at present" because of the Soviet Union's attitude, Lithuanian Premier Kazimiera Prunskiene told parliament Tuesday.

The situation had created "a very serious crisis between the governments of the Baltic states and the Soviet Union," she added.

In the declaration, deputies called for individual Soviet republics to continue trading directly with Lithuania next year and demanded that the Soviet Union open its foreign borders to free trade with the West.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev recently issued a decree restricting the amount of foreign currency Soviet firms can retain after receiving payment for exports and introducing centralized controls on the sale of raw materials abroad.

Meanwhile, Lithuanian President Vytautas Lansbergis, who has spearheaded his republic's bid for independence, has arrived in Britain on a visit.

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#90317d5540 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (NOV. 13) - Palestine Liberation Organisation Chairman Yasser Arafat arrived here Tuesday for talks with King Hussein on prospects for convening an extraordinary Arab summit conference called for by Morocco to avert a war in the Gulf.

In an arrival statement at Amman airport, Arafat said diplomatic efforts launched by Hussein, King Hassan Ii of Morocco and other Arab leaders were beginning to gain momentum on the Arab and international levels with the proposed Arab summit.

Arafat, who arrived on board an Iraqi Airways executive jet, said ''what some Arab countries have called for is beginning to make progress within international circles towards reaching a peaceful settlement of the Gulf crisis and the Middle East problem.

He explained that several European countries, the Soviet Union, China and Japan and most non-aligned nations ''have supported the principle of reaching an Arab solution under an international umbrella.''

The Plo leader said the purpose of his visit to Jordan was ''to continue these very important contacts with His Majesty King Hussein.''

He said an Arab summit meeting needed ''much preparation and consultation to make it successful.''

The Plo welcomed the proposed Arab summit meeting. Jordan has said it would decided on its participation once an official invitation was extended and the agenda agreed upon in consultation with all Arab states.

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#90317d5570 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NIAMEY (NOV. 13) - Niger is to send a contingent of 481 soldiers and officers

to Saudi Arabia Thursday to join a multinational force assembled in the Gulf to oppose Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, Niger's news agency reported here Tuesday.

The contingent, which has been assembled at Tondibia 20 kilometers (12 miles) west of here, is being commanded by Colonel Amadou Seyni, former political secretary of the ruling National Movement for a Society of Development (MNSD).

The agency did not disclose which unit the troops belonged to nor the type of military equipment which is to be taken along.

Niger's President Ali Saibou told the troops during a visit Tuesday that their mission was to "safeguard Islam's holy sites." The head of state is to be present when the troops leave Thursday.

The West African country's decided to send the military unit September 20 after receiving a formal request by the Saudi government.

Niger, which is 85 per cent Moslem and a member of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, is the second black African state after Senegal to send troops to Saudi Arabia.

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#90317d5590 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (NOV. 13) - Liberian interim president Amos Sawyer arrived here Tuesday as part of a consultation tour of four states that sent peacekeeping troops to his country.

Mr. Sawyer went into talks with Nigeria's vice-president, Augustus Aikhomu, and was due to meet President Ibrahim Babangida on Wednesday. He flew in from Accra and talks with Ghanaian leader Jerry Rawlings.

Nigeria and Ghana provided the bulk of a five-nation intervention force sent to Liberia in August by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) to enforce a ceasefire after eight months of brutal civil war.

A government source said Mr. Sawyer on Tuesday presented "a review of the diplomatic situation in Liberia" and discussed "a lack of consensus" among the five nations within the peacekeeping force as to when his government would be installed in Monrovia.

African diplomats in Sierra Leone had on Monday said the new government was to be inaugurated on Thursday at the executive mansion in Monrovia, understood to have been vacated by the leader of remaining army loyalists to the late president Samuel Doe.

Mr. Sawyer, a lawyer and constitutional expert, was named interim president at a conference among Liberian politicians, religious leaders and exiles held in

the Gambia under ECOWAS auspices. His current tour is also to take him to Gambia and Guinea.

Mr. Doe was put to death in September by one of two Liberian rebel factions, led by Prince Johnson who has accepted the interim government plan.

Charles Taylor, head of the main guerrilla force which invaded Liberia last December, has opposed ECOWAS arrangements for the country and resisted the West African troops who eventually forced his men out of the battered Liberian capital.

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#90317d5640 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 13) - South African Defense Minister Magnus Malan said Tuesday black leader Nelson Mandela was aware of a broad African National Congress (Anc) plan to transfer power from the white minority government to itself.

He said the organisation, of which Mandela is deputy president, intended achieving this goal through mass mobilisation, its political underground, an armed struggle and international isolation of the country.

Speaking at a military parade in the Orange Free State province capital of Bloemfontein, Malan said the Anc saw the transfer of power to the black majority as a transfer of power to itself.

''It emerges very clearly from (an) official Anc publication, which deals with the Anc's views on negotiations, that Mr Mandela's mass action is part of a broader plan.

''It also appears that Mr Mandela is aware of this broader plan, because he promoted it by asking during his most recent overseas visit for the international isolation of South Africa,'' Malan said.

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#90317d5760 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 13) - British Defense Secretary Tom King arrived here Tuesday from the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to start a 48-hour visit that will include the inspection of British forces deployed in Saudi Arabia.

Mr. King was also to meet Saudi Defense Minister Prince Sultan bin Abdel Aziz to discuss the situation in the Gulf and means to secure an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, British sources said.

Mr. King is On Wednesday to visit some of the 10,000 British troops stationed here alongside U.S., French, Arab, African and Asian units to defend the

kingdom against an attack from Iraqi forces in Kuwait.

On Monday he met UAE president Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahayan and warned that time was "running out" for President Saddam Hussein and his occupation of Kuwait.

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#90317d5790 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 13) - Philippine communist rebels on Tuesday accused U.S. surveillance planes and undercover agents of taking part in a military offensive in which scores of guerrillas have been reported killed.

U.S. Embassy and Philippine military spokesmen dismissed the allegation by the National Democratic Front (NDF), the political arm of the banned Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP) and the New People's Army (NPA).

The NDF made the charge in a press statement that called for a halt to the drawn-out operations in Kalinga-Apayao, a province in the Cordillera mountains in northern Luzon island.

"Direct U.S. participation in this campaign has been confirmed with the involvement of U.S. planes and undercover personnel," the NDF Far North Luzon Command said.

"In August 1990, U.S. Air Force planes have been spotted conducting surveillance flights at low altitude over the valley," it added.

U.S. Embassy spokesmen Stanley Schrager said the NDF allegation "doesn't sound right to me. I don't think that's true."

Philippine armed forces spokesman Colonel Juanito Rimando also brushed aside the NDF statement.

"We do our operations by ourselves. We don't need others to help us."

The NDF statement came five days after the military claimed that 95 NPA guerrillas had been killed in the offensive. The official death toll could not be independently confirmed.

The NDF statement referred only to a "genocide" and "untold misery and loss of lives of the populace. "

A division-size contingent of Philippine Army and paramilitary troops with bombers, tanks, gunships and artillery is waging the offensive, the NDF said. It gave no further details on alleged U.S. participation.

The only time U.S. forces openly intervened in the Philippines was in December

1989, when F-4 Phantom jets from Clark Air Base flew over Manila to dissuade mutinous troops from attacking the presidential palace during a coup attempt against President Corazon Aquino.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Embassy said Admiral Huntington Hardisty, the commander of the U.S. armed forces in the Pacific, will arrive in Manila shortly to attend an annual conference on mutual defense against foreign aggression.

The embassy also said U.S. Representative Stephen Solarz, chairman of the House Subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Affairs, will arrive here Wednesday for his "annual information-gathering" visit.

The scheduled arrivals followed the third round of talks on the future of U.S. bases in the Philippines last week. The talks resume here next month.

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#90317d5960 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 13) - Twenty-one people were killed early Tuesday when the mini-bus they were travelling in crashed into a railing and plunged down an embankment near the town of Theunissen, in the central Orange Free State province, South African police said.

All the victims, eight men, eight women and five young girls, were black,

and had been travelling from the Cape province to the Transvaal province when the accident occurred.

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#90317d6070 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 13) - German Finance Minister Theo Waigel is counting on another strong year for the country's economy in 1991 to permit only a slight increase in the high level of public borrowing to finance the costs of unification, dpa learned here Tuesday.

According to information leaked while the ruling coalition parties were reviewing Bonn's 1991 budget financing options, Waigel said he foresees new net borrowing of 70 billion marks (47.3 billion dollars) next year, slightly over this year's 67 billion marks.

Waigel told the cabinet he expected the economy for all of Germany next year to grow by three to 3.5 per cent, following this year's rate of four to 4.5 per cent.

A precondition in Waigel's plans for 1991 is that a 35 billion mark package of money saved in other sectors of the federal budget is to be invested in the former East Germany, dpa learned.

By 1994, according to Waigel's strategy, the continued economic improvement in eastern Germany would permit Bonn's net borrowing to be lowered again to below 30 billion marks.

Next year, total new borrowing by federal, state and local governments is expected to reach between 140 and 150 billion marks, approaching what the Bundesbank has said is a critical level in terms of monetary and inflationary stability.

The coalition partners in their talks here Tuesday agreed that public sector borrowing should be kept to a maximum of 5 per cent of the German gross national product, so that new loans should be limited to 150 billion marks.

Approaching the first all-German elections set for December 2, the Christian-Liberal coalition of Chancellor Helmut Kohl has repeatedly insisted that taxes will not be increased to finance unification.

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#90317d6080 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (NOV. 13) - Arab leaders were Tuesday engaged in intensive diplomatic activity as they pondered a Moroccan call for an emergency Arab summit to secure a diplomatic settlement in the Gulf.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, one of the Arab world's sharpest critics of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, was meeting in Libya with Colonel Moamer Kadhafi.

The Libyan leader on Monday met in Tripoli with Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Saadoun Hamadi, who was carrying a message from President Saddam Hussein.

Palestine Liberation Organisation Chairman Yasser Arafat meanwhile flew to Jordan, where senior Palestinian officials were already meeting with Jordanian officials on the summit.

Iraq's first deputy prime minister, Taha Yassin Ramadan, left for Morocco with a message for King Hassan II in an unexpected move that appeared to indicate that Baghdad was taking the summit appeal seriously.

Baghdad has said its participation is conditional on an end to foreign threats against it from U.S.-dominated forces based in Saudi Arabia and an expanded agenda to include other Arab issues, notably the Palestinian question.

Mr. Ramadan warned before leaving Baghad that if Iraq's conditions were not taken into consideration, the summit "would be nothing more than a gathering to plot against the Arab nation, as it was during the Cairo summit."

That meeting condemned the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and authorized the deployment of Arab troops in a multinational force stationed in Saudi Arabia.

But King Hassan's suggestion for a last-ditch meeting to avert war in the Gulf has to date received a lukewarm response in the Arab world, with only a handful of the 21 Arab League members signalling support.

Three of Iraq's closest allies in the current crisis, the Palestine Liberation Organization, Yemen and Sudan, have publicly expressed their backing.

Mr. Ramadan's visit to Morocco follows a statement by President Hussein late Monday that Iraq was prepared to make "sacrifices" for peace.

"In the region, Iraq is the only country willing to make sacrifices to achieve peace on condition that the chance for a sincere dialogue be guaranteed," he said after a meeting with Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen.

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#90317d6200 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 13) - Richard Lewis, one of Britain's finest opera singers, died on Tuesday morning after a long illness, at his village home outside Eastbourne, East Sussex. He was 76.

"He had an unforgettable voice and will be greatly missed", a spokesman for the Glyndebourne Opera House in Sussex said.

The distinguished tenor started his career in the male chorus in the "Rape of Lucretia" at Glyndebourne in 1947, where he became a familiar figure, and at Covent Garden.

Renowned for his extreme versatility, he was equally at ease with Mozart as with modern works, like Britten's "Peter Grimes", Berg's "Wozzeck" and Puccini's "Madame Butterfly".

He was the first British singer to make an international name after appearing in Paris and with the San Francisco Opera from 1955.

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#90317d6220 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT FUAD, EGYPT (NOV. 13) - The suspected killer of Israeli anti-Arab extremist Rabbi Meir Kahane has been hailed as a hero by his neighbors and friends in Egypt but his family now fears an Israeli reprisal.

The father of 34-year-old El Sayed Noseir, in an interview with AFP here in northern Egypt on the banks of the Suez Canal, described his son as "calm, serene, artistic."

"He loved painting and would spend most of his time at it -- and he had no political affiliation," said Abdel Aziz Noseir, 65.

Mr. Noseir, accused of the November 5 assassination in New York of Rabbi Kahane, had been under psychiatric treatment and may have been using an anti-depressant drug that some specialists say induces violent behavior in certain users, the New York Times reported last Friday.

Mr. Noseir, who left Egypt for the United States in 1981 and was an electrician with New York City's General Services Department, has denied shooting Rabbi Kahane. He was wounded in the aftermath of the attack and is still in hospital.

Founder of the extreme right-wing Kach movement, Rabbi Kahane advocated the expulsion of Palestinians from Israel and its occupied territories.

"All the visitors who come to see me say my son is a hero," said Abdel Aziz Noseir.

"I am pround of him. But as his father I am sad and concerned about his future and I am also afraid of reprisals against my family by Mossad (Israel's foreign intelligence service)."

For the suspect's friends and acquaintances here he is now a symbol of Arab revenge, despite his reported denials from New York.

He killed "the leading Zionist extremist, who deserved what he got," declared Mr. Noseir's 31-year-old brother Ahmad.

"The assassination of Kahane was an heroic act, a reprisal against the killing at the Haram al-Sharif, which as Moslems has us upset all," added Ibrahim Dessouki, a doctor who went to school with Mr. Noseir.

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#90317d6350 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 13) - A group of Palestinians tried to abduct an Israeli patrolman on Tuesday after hurling a petrol bomb at his car in Arab east Jerusalem, police said.

The officer seized his gun and opened fire on the assailants, who managed to escape, a police spokesman said. One of the Palestinians was believed to have been wounded.

After setting an ambush for the police car in Salaheddin Street, the assailants had hurled a petrol bomb and jumped on the officer, trying to grab him by the arms.

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#90317d6460 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HIROSHIMA, JAPAN (NOV. 13) - Some 500,000 Soviet citizens living near a nuclear test site in Central Asia have suffered from radiation effects and 100,000 of them have died of cancer, a top Soviet researcher said here Tuesday.

Half a million people living within a 550-kilometer (345-mile) radius of the Semipalatinsk test site in central Kazakhstan suffered from the effects of increased radiation, Dr. Boris Gusev, head of the Soviet Radiology Research Institute, told reporters here.

Of them, about 100,000 had died apparently from various cancers caused by radiation, he said.

The Soviet Union carried out more than 200 tests in the air between 1949 and 1965 at the site in Kazakhstan, he said.

Dr. Gusev said cases of leukaemia increased by 70 per cent between 1955 and 1960. Infants dying before their first birthdays nearly doubled compared with other regions.

Tests were halted in October last year because of antinuclear protests by people living near the site, he said.

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#90317d6590 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LUSAKA (NOV. 13) - Zambia's Ambassador to Angola Axon Chalikulima and his son Aaron have been arrested here for drug trafficking, the government-owned Daily Mail reported Tuesday.

The newspaper said the diplomat and his son were picked up on Friday with four others who had formed a drug syndicate in Zambia which has become a transit point between Europe and South Africa.

Sources in the anti-drug enforcement commission told Agence France-Presse that Mr. Chakulima and others would appear in court Tuesday afternoon to answer the drug trafficking charges.

The sources said that arrested with the diplomat were Papeni Pofana, a Kenyan, Amadon Jamel, a Senegalese, Kapumpa Kalenga, son of prominent member of parliament John Kalenga, and Ishmail Badat.

The group was allegedly found in possession of Mandrax tablets, heroin, cocaine and hashish. The Daily Mail also reported that an unlicenced AK-47 rifle and ammunition were found at Mr. Chakulima's house.

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#90317d6650 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 13) - Iraq issued a warning Tuesday to the United States and accused the U.S. Administration and intelligence services of planning acts of provocation.

Iraq "strongly warns the United States against their criminal plots and holds the U.S. Administration responsible for all acts of provocation that could take place in the region," Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz said.

Mr. Aziz, quoted by the official Iraqi News Agency, referred to a statement Monday by White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater that U.S. President George Bush would consult closely with Congress on the conflict with Iraq.

Mr. Fitzwater added however that "unforeseen kinds of provocations" might force the president to order military action without Congress approval.

The reference to provocation from Baghdad was a "pretext to allow the U.S. Administration to launch aggression against Iraq and to jumble the cards to deceive the American people and Congress," Mr. Aziz charged.

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#90317d6720 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (NOV. 13) - King Hussein of Jordan and PLO leader Yasser Arafat held talks here Tuesday on a Moroccan call for a last-ditch Arab summit to avert war in the Gulf.

Mr. Arafat said he backed a "peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis and that of the Middle East, within an Arab framework and under international sponsorship " the Jordanian news agency Petra reported.

Three of Iraq's closest allies in the current crisis, the Palestine Liberation Organisation, Yemen and Sudan, have publicly expressed their backing for an emergency Arab summit, as proposed Sunday by King Hassan II of Morocco.

Jordan has said it would react after receiving an official invitation for the proposed gathering.

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#90317d6810 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HAMILTON (NOV. 13) - Canadian External Affairs Minister Joe Clark, meeting in Bermuda with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, expressed support Tuesday for a U.N. Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq.

Such a resolution "is certainly our preference if it's doable," Mr. Clark told journalists before the talks at the residence of the U.S. consul in Hamilton, the capital of Bermuda.

Canada currently sits on the Security Council. Since the end of September, the United States, which this month presides over the council, has been exploring the idea of a resolution that would authorize it to attack Iraq should the occasion arise.

Mr. Baker last week consulted the four other permanent members of the Security Council -- China, the Soviet Union, Great Britain and France.

"We would naturally like to see the unanimity that has been so remarkable in the security council maintained and we are all working towards that objective " Mr. Clark said.

Canada has sent two destroyers and a supply ship to the Gulf, as well as a squadron of 18 CF-18 fighter-bombers.

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#90317d6850 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (NOV. 13) - The World Council of Churches (WCC) is to provide 1.5 million dollars in relief aid for tens of thousands of Liberian refugees in neighboring Sierra Leone, Guinea and Ivory Coast, a local church official said here Tuesday.

Alfred Kamara, general secretary of the Sierra Leone Council of Churches said the aid package was being prepared following a visit here last month by a seven-member WCC team which also visited refugee camps in Guinea and Ivory Coast.

About 600,000 Liberians have sought refuge in the three countries since rebels of Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front (NPFL) launched their bid to topple the government of the late president Samuel Doe last December 24.

The bloody civil war has claimed some 10,000 lives, most of them civilians.

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#90317d6870 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 13) - Former U.S. attorney general Ramsey Clark left Baghdad on Tuesday at the end of a three-day visit during which he met President Saddam Hussein, Iraqi officials said.

Mr. Clark, quoted by the Iraqi News Agency, called for "solutions to the region's problems through dialogue and negotiations, away from threats and

interference that could lead to a destructive war."

He was also quoted as backing an Arab solution to the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Clark, who has spoken out strongly here against the foreign military presence in the Gulf region, met Monday with President Hussein for talks on "peace and humanitarian issues in the Arab world."

The official news agency also said Mr. Clark had expressed support for a plan by anti-war groups to set up a permanent presence in Iraq in order to try and prevent an outbreak of hostilities.

Mr. Clark, who visited Baghdad at the invitation of the Iraqi government, served as attorney general from 1967 to 1969 under former U.S. president Lyndon Johnson.

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#90317d6900 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 13) - Israeli President Chaim Herzog told U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar here that he hoped a U.N. mission to Israel would help defuse international criticism, the Kyodo news agency said Tuesday.

"We hope we're finished with this condemnation," Mr. Herzog told Kyodo on Monday, referring to the U.N. Security Council resolution criticizing Israel for the bloodshed in Jerusalem on October 8 when Israeli police opened fire on Palestinian protestors, killing 18.

He said the resolution was "the height of injustice" and told Kyodo that he shared this feeling with Mr. Perez de Cuellar when the two met here. Both were in Tokyo for the enthronement of Emperor Akihito on Monday.

"I believe Mr. Perez de Cuellar, my old friend, understands the position," Mr. Herzog was quoted as saying.

Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy said in Jerusalem on Monday that Israel and the United States had reached an agreement under which Jean-Claude Aime, a special advisor of Mr. Perez de Cuellar, who visited the Occupied Territories in July, would conduct the mission.

In the Kyodo interview Mr. Herzog criticized France's proposal to link the Palestinian question to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, calling it "very naive," adding that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was a "very clever individual."

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#90317d7070 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 13) - Forty-four Egyptian nationals who were held by Iran as

prisoners of war arrived home Tuesday a few hours after their release was announced in Teheran.

Iran has said the former prisoners had been held after they were captured fighting alongside Iraqi forces in the eight-year Gulf war that ended in 1988.

Their release was secured by Sheikh Mohammad Ghazali, an Egyptian religious leader, during a recent visit to Iran.

An Iranian official in charge of POWs, Mohammad Ali Nazaran, said Monday that "around 80 Egyptian soldiers" were being held prisoner. Iran freed 20 Egyptian prisoners in March.

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#90317d7100 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND (NOV. 13) - Flush from his successful hostage rescue mission to Iraq, former premier David Lange returned home Tuesday to launch a new tell-all, no-holds-barred book full of swipes at his pet peeves and insights into the corridors of power.

"Nuclear Free -- The New Zealand Way," which describes the development of Wellington's anti-nuclear policies under Mr. Lange's premiership from 1984 to 1989, is also rich in anecdote and tales told out of school.

The most unsatisfying meetings he ever attended, Mr. Lange wrote, were those of the Commonwealth Heads of Government.

The 1985 conference in the Bahamas, he said, was run by a prime minister who "was a remarkable character who came unscathed through an inquiry as to why in the past year he had put in his bank account an amount 18 times greater than his total salary."

In Vancouver in 1987, he wrote, the Botswana delegation ran up 1,300 dollars of international phone calls and charged it to Mr. Lange's bill.

"The Ugandan delegation took advantage of their leader's absence ... to invite a fair number of Vancouver's prostitutes to their hotel. They refused to pay and had the police evict the women," he wrote. "Those were the greatest moments of the conference."

At the 1984 South Pacific Forum, Nauru's President Hammer DeRoburt fell asleep with a cigarette in his mouth, woke with a start when it burned his lip and demanded of Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke: "Can I ask you about that man in Melbourne who is ruining my shipping company?"

"It's all right, mate," Mr. Hawke replied, "it's all been fixed."

Mr. DeRoburt went back to sleep, again burned his lip and repeated the same question.

Mr. Lange wrote: "The fourth time it happened, Hawke stood up in his place and screamed, 'I'm telling you the c---'s dead!' Conversation became even more stilted after that."

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, according to Mr. Lange, sounds exactly the same in private as she does in public.

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#90317d7130 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 13) - President Mikhail Gorbachev argued here Tuesday that the Soviet Union should maintain its integral armed forces and military conscription, the official Tass news agency reported.

Gorbachev described the quest of some republics to form their own armies as ''more a political game than a recognition of realities''.

In reply to a question he also repeated that he saw the Baltic states as Soviet territory. The Baltic republics had openly called for the withdrawal of the Red Army's ''occupation troops''.

Gorbachev said the issue of conscription would be taken up by one of the next meetings of the federation council or federal cabinet with heads of government from all the constituent republics taking part.

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#90317d7160 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) - President George Bush will spend Thanksgiving Day with U.S. troops near Daharan in eastern Saudi Arabia and probably on a U.S. warship in the Gulf as well, U.S. officials said Tuesday.

Mr. Bush will arrive in Saudi Arabia November 21, meeting the same evening in Jeddah with Saudi King Fahd and the exiled emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah, the sources said.

After visiting the troops November 22, the president is scheduled to travel to Cairo for a meeting with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak before returning to Washington November 23, the sources said.

In Daharan, Mr. Bush will be less than 250 kilometers (150 miles) from the Kuwaiti border and the front with Iraqi occupation forces. The president, who will be accompanied by his wife Barbara, will take part in the traditional Thanksgiving feast with the troops.

He was expected to visit a warship the same day, but U.S. officials refused to give any other details of his agenda for security reasons.

The base at Daharan serves as a command center for Desert Shield, the U.S. military deployment in the Gulf involving some 230,000 U.S. troops. The size of the U.S. force is expected to grow to at least 380,000 troops by early next year.

Mr. Bush will arrive in Saudi Arabia from Paris where he will attend the summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) from November 19 to 21. On November 17, he will stop in Prague on the first anniversary of the "velvet revolution" and in Ludwigshafen, Germany, for a meeting with Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

In Paris, Mr. Bush is expected to discuss the Gulf crisis with French President Francois Mitterrand over dinner November 18 as well as with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. Several other bilateral meetings also have been arranged.

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#90317d7170 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 13) - Israel on Tuesday boosted security along its cease-fire line with Jordan after an infiltrator shot and killed an Israeli soldier, a senior official said.

Israeli officials linked the incident to the Gulf crisis. They said the conflict had triggered a wave of Islamic fundamentalism in Jordan, where many people have supported Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

In east Jerusalem, a Palestinian man stabbed and slightly wounded two Israeli border guards before managing to escape. Two separate organisations claimed responsibility for the attack.

"We took military measures along the border," said the president of parliament's foreign affairs and defense commission, Eliahou Ben Elissar. He did not elaborate.

"We must get the Jordanians to understand that we will not stay with our arms folded should the situation get worse," Mr. Ben Elissar told Agence France-Presse in the first official reaction to the pre-dawn border incident.

An armed infiltrator from Jordan shot and killed an Israeli soldier before being captured by troops near the Adam Bridge that spans the Jordan River on the cease-fire line between the two countries, the army said.

They identified the assailant as a 17-year-old member of the Moslem fundamentalist group Islamic Jihad (Holy War). The victim was named as reserve

sergeant Pinhas Levy, 37.

The assailant was seized after he grabbed the soldier's weapon and tried to enter a room where other troops were gathered, the army said.

Sources close to the defense ministry said Israel could launch "preventive military operations" in case of further border incidents, citing similar measures against anti-Israeli groups in south Lebanon.

"Since the start of the Gulf crisis, the (Jordanian) king has been making more and more concessions to the Islamic groups. There is no difference any longer between soldiers, extremists and simple terrorists," one source said.

"The Jordanian army has become affected by the pro-Iraqi mood that prevails these days," he added.

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#90317d7230 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGUI (NOV. 13) - The Centrafrican president's spiritual guide, murdered in September, played a key role in the nation's politics and appears to have been killed by someone close to the head of state, informed sources said here.

The marabout (religious leader), Bernard Kowada, shot dead at his home on September 29, had an office next to that of President Andre Kolingba, vetted all his visitors, had a decisive say in the appointment of his aides and set the dates for the president's excursions, sources said Tuesday.

Sources close to the government said police and gendarmes had narrowed their search for the assassin down to the president's entourage. Several people close to the head of state have been interrogated and since released, the sources said.

Early in November, reliable sources in Geneva said that a former health minister of the Central African Republic, General Sylvestre Yagongo, and his wife had both been arrested, but officials here have refused to confirm the report.

Like General Kolingba, Mr. Kowada came from the Yacoma tribe. Western sources said that until relatively recently a third of the best-paid and most responsible jobs went to Yacoma people. Sources close to the president said he was strongly criticised for this at the most recent meeting of the single ruling party's leadership in May.

Since then, some posts have changed hands.

Observers posted here said Tuesday that the affair has virtually split the governing Democratic Rally (RDC) party, while lawyers and former ministers

have been openly demanding a multi-party system. Most of those who signed a pluralist appeal issued on May 15 are now behind bars.

September's appointment of hardliner Christophe Grelombe to the justice ministry, in place of the sacked Hugues Dobozendi, indicates that those favouring a crackdown have the upper hand, observers said. Colonel Grelombe is also defence minister.

Gen. Kolingba appears to have been personally deeply affected by the murder of his marabout, who had claimed that he was immortal through the protection of a powerful 'mamie wata', or spirit, a source close to the presidency said. The general almost called off a visit to the United States early in October.

Animist traditions are still strong in this small central African nation.

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#90317d7250 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV. 13) - At least 137 policemen were hurt during riots by about 500 left-wing radicals here Monday night, Berlin's chief of police, Georg Schertz, said Tuesday.

Four policemen remained hospitalised. A spokesman for the radicals said there were three serious and numerous minor injuries in their ranks.

Twenty rioters were arrested. Schertz said that although 1,400 policemen were sent to the scene, no more arrests could have been made without putting their lives in jeopardy.

The clashes, which lasted five hours, broke out in the Friedrichshain district after police cleared squatters from three houses in the Prenzlauer Berg and Lichtenberg districts in the eastern part of the city.

Left-wing radicals had headed for occupied buildings on Mainzer Street in Friedrichshain, apparently fearing that police would clear those apartment houses as well.

The city's squatter community called for another ''major demonstration'' Wednesday and demanded ''guarantees'' from Mayor Walter Momper that no more buildings would be evacuated.

Eyewitnesses compared Mainzer Street on Tuesday morning to devastated Beirut.

The pavement was ripped up in many places, rioters had dug deep trenches with excavating equipment and erected metre-high barricades with cars and a tram they had set afire.

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#90317d7290 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LUSAKA (NOV. 13) - Zambian police used teargas Tuesday to disperse a crowd of about 2,000 people besieging a court where pro-democracy figures were answering unlawful-assembly charges.

A resident said a 15-year-old boy was shot in the leg and several persons beaten up, but police in the remote southern town of Choma denied hurting anyone.

The case against Fredrick Chiluba, vice-chairman of the Movement for Multi-Party Democracy (Mmd), and seven members of the Choma branch of the Mmd was adjourned to Wednesday for legal argument.

''The courtroom was too small for the crowd. When police dispersed the people, they got angry and looted a state shop and a few Indian shops in town,'' the Choma resident told the German Press Agency dpa by phone.

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#90317d7340 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LYONS, FRANCE (NOV. 13) - Five police officers were among some 20 people detained in connection with a total 80 armed robberies committed in this central-eastern region in the last four years, police said Tuesday.

The five, who had all been stationed in Lyons, were immediately suspended.

Some of the detained officers were caught during a bank robbery in Lyons on Monday, the police sources said.

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#90317d7360 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (NOV. 13) - The crew of a Tupolev-154 airliner on a domestic flight thwarted a hijack attempt by a teenager, the Soviet news agency Tass reported Tuesday.

It quoted the secret service Kgb as saying that 18-year-old Mikhail Grachev threatened to blow up the aircraft shortly after take-off late Monday unless it changed course and flew to Sweden.

The plane was on its way from Leningrad to the Ukrainian town of Lvov.

But the pilot decided to land at the Byelorussian airport of Minsk after receiving information that all 143 passengers and their luggage had been thoroughly checked during loading, the agency said.

The crew then overwhelmed Grachev who apparently had tried to bluff. The

hijacker was arrested by police, Tass said.

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#90317d7380 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRAGUE (NOV. 13) - Former Czechoslovakian foreign minister under the disgraced Communist regime, Bohuslav Chnoupek, has been under house arrest for the past fortnight, the Vecerni Praha newspaper reported here Tuesday.

The paper said that Mr. Chnoupek, foreign minister from 1971 to 1988, had been placed under house arrest "in connection with a judicial inquiry", but gave no further details.

Mr. Chnoupek, 65, is a former journalist who became head of Radio Prague in 1969 after the crushing of the Prague Spring pro-democracy movement.

He was ambassador to the Soviet Union from 1970-71 before spending 17 years as Czechoslovakian foreign minister.

He was forced to resign from the post in 1988 amid accusations that he had accepted bribes.

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#90317d7420 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 13) - A judicial committee set up to probe allegations that South African police and military death squads were murdering anti-apartheid activitists has come up with no evidence to support the claims, according to the committee report published here Tuesday.

Justice Louis Harms, who sat alone on the committee, said he could draw no firm conclusion on the deaths of 71 people allegedly assassinated for political motives. They were on a justice ministry list of unclarified murders.

Harms criticised the now disbanded Civil Cooperation Bureau (Ccb) and said evidence indicated that members of this special army unit had been involved in covert operations and violent acts.

The Ccb, which closed down last June, was employed ''to disrupt maximally the enemies of the state'', said Harms who was appointed by President Frederik de Klerk on January 31.

Harms said he was only passing to prosecutors details of the 1986 murder of doctor and anti-apartheid activist Fabian Ribiero and his wife Florence.

A former Ccb agent, Noel Robey, who it is believed may have gone into hiding in Britain, is wanted in connection with the murder. Whether or not the Ccb authorised the killing ''could not be determined'', according to Harms' report.

Harms criticised the Ccb for engineering the dissappearance of important documents. This aspect and a number of contradictory statements from witnesses had meant that alleged Ccb involvement in a series of murders could be neither confirmed nor disproved, he added.

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#90317d7520 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 13) - Soviet top rivals Mikhail Gorbachev and Boris Yeltsin Tuesday said they had a good meeting last weekend, even if major differences remain over how power will be shared between the union and the republic.

Speaking on television here, Mr. Gorbachev described his four-and-a-half hour talk Sunday with Mr. Yeltsin as "responsible, serious and constructive".

Mr. Yeltsin, the president of the Russian federation, the largest and richest of the 15 Soviet republics, also welcomed the talks, saying they contributed to the realization of Russian "sovereignty".

Mr. Gorbachev played down the recent "war of decrees" which has opposed him and the federal power to the Russian parliament.

Pointing to the good nature of the talks, Mr. Gorbachev said: "I want to stress this because a number of bills passed by the Russian Supreme Soviet lately, including those on economic sovereignty and the application of federal laws, have given rise to concern among the people of Russia and in the Union as a whole".

"I am confident that both the centre and the Russian leadership will act in a spirit meeting the interests of our multinational state and all its peoples," he added.

The Soviet president said the talks had mainly focussed on the future treaty of the union, which should be ready within "a week to 10 days".

Mr. Yeltsin has vowed that Russia will remain within the union, but he intends to fight to broaden its powers.

He has also called for the formation of a government of coalition at the national level, saying the Russian parliament should be at liberty to chose the Prime Minister, along with the defence and finance ministers.

Mr. Gorbachev agreed in principle on the need for such a coalition government, Mr. Yeltsin also told the Russian parliament.

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#90317d7540 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PESHAWAR, PAKISTAN (NOV. 13) - Afghan mujahedin guerillas would accept elections as proposed by the United Nations provided the present rulers in Kabul were kept out of them and they were held ''without foreign interference'', according to a mujahedin leader.

Sibghatullah Mujaddedi, president of the Afghan Interim Government (Aig) of the mujahedin based here, said: ''Communists and other secular parties have no right to participate in the polls because they have committed untold crimes against their own nation.''

Mujaddedi made the comment to the Aig news agency, Midia, while on a tour of liberated areas in western Afghanistan. The report was distributed Tuesday.

Last week, the U.N. General Assembly adopted a resolution calling on ''all concerned parties'' to the 12-year civil war in Afghanistan to negotiate a political settlement and accept elections.

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#90317d7640 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 13) - Britain is to close two of its four Royal Air Force bases in Germany, the defence ministry said here Tuesday.

The base at Wildenrath near the Dutch border will be shut down by 1992 followed by the closure of Raf guetersloh. The air force has 10,860 personnel stationed in Germany.

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#90317d7680 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (NOV. 13) - Israeli military authorities Tuesday jailed without trial three prominent Palestinians, charging that they were leading members of the underground uprising (intifada) leadership in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

In Jerusalem, a young Palestinian attacked and wounded with a knife two Israeli soldiers in the Old City, while an Arab guerrilla late Monday killed an Israeli soldier manning a West Bank post bordering Jordan.

The head of the Palestinian Journalist Organisation, Radwan Abu Ayash from the West Bank city of Ramallah, and lawyer Ziad Abu-Ziad from Elasiria near Jerusalem were jailed for six months. Ahmed Yazdji, a lawyer in the Gaza Strip was imprisoned for a year.

The order to put the three under ''administrative detention'' was signed by General Itzhak Mordechai, head of the Israeli army's central command, and was authorised by Defence Minister Moshe Arens.

According to an official communique, they were described as ''central figures'' of the al-Fatah group, which is led by Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo) Chairman Yassir Arafat.

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#90317d7690 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAALBECK, LEBANON (NOV. 13) - The Iranian-backed Hezbollah movement has strengthened its presence in this eastern Lebanon town after evacuating its militants from the southern suburbs of Beirut, correspondents here said.

For the first time since their deployment here in 1982, the Moslem fundamentalist militants are patrolling the streets of this Syrian-controlled town with their weapons in three-car convoys.

They have also forced their way into private homes to check if the inhabitants were breaking a Moslem ban on alcohol consumption.

The militia has also detained three male hairdressers because they continued to practice their job in defiance of a Hezbollah-imposed ban on male hairdressers.

Residents are concerned that Hezbollah, which released their hairdressers after making them promise to give up their trade, will issue new bans affecting other jobs.

Pro-Syrian secular groups have reportedly sought assurances with the Syrian army command in the region that they will not have to bend to Hezbollah rule and were told that the Syrian troops would continue to guarantee security.

These measures coincided with the evacuation of Hezbollah militants from Beirut's southern suburbs in compliance with a government decision to end militia rule in the capital to place it under the control of the regular army.

Hezbollah on Monday announced it had completed its evacuation from the southern suburbs and dispatched its militants and arsenal towards positions facing Israel in southern Lebanon.

According to various estimates, Hezbollah is the most powerful militia in the Baalbeck region and can mobilise up to 20,000 armed supporters, including several thousand militiamen.

Several dozen Iranian Revolutionary Guards back up Hezbollah in the region.

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#90317d7780 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (NOV. 13) - Bombings rocked Colombia early Tuesday in a violent prelude to a general strike called to protest the economic policies of President Cesar Gaviria, in office only 100 days.

Mr. Gaviria met with his security council to consider measures to control the violence before the general strike called for Wednesday by four labor federations.

No injuries were reported in the bombings, which targeted police posts in Barranquilla and Bucaramanga and public transportation in Cali.

In Cali, two bombs were hurled into a bus depot, a bus was set on fire and a garage was partially destroyed by an incendiary bomb, police said. Another bomb was found on a city bus and deactivted.

A regional leader of one of the four labor federations calling the strike was shot and killed in the town of Tulua by gunmen on a motorcycle, police said.

And three gasoline stations were bombed Monday night in Medellin, home of the country's most violent cocaine cartel.

The country's leftist guerrillas also have been active, scuttling chances of peace talks between the government and the rebels.

The Defense Ministry said a rebel attack Saturday on a military barracks in Taraz in northwestern Colombia claimed 43 lives, including a battalion commander. In all, nine soldiers and 34 guerrillas were killed, the defense ministry said.

Guerrillas also ambushed a police truck carrying children from a bicycle race Monday in the town of Algeciras in the southeastern province of Huila, killing two policemen and six children.

After the attack, Interior Minister Julio Cesar Sanchez said "all avenues toward a dialogue with the insurgents are closed."

"We will not chielf to blackmail, extortion and terrirorism," Mr. Sanchez said.

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#90317d7790 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 13) - A secret NATO network, set up in the Cold War as a fall-back intelligence organisation in the event of a Warsaw Pact invasion of Europe, also existed in West Germany, a well-informed source in Bonn said Tuesday.

"You can bet that the German government will do everything to deny and try to cover up the existence" of the network, the source said, adding that "the organisation did exist in Germany."

A German government spokesman declined to make any comment Tuesday, saying "we are checking into the matter."

In Oslo, the Norwegian news agency NTB on Tuesday reported that in 1978 the then defence minister Rolf Hansen had acknowledged the existence of such a network in Norway in parliament.

Defence Ministry spokesman Erik Stenstad refused to comment on reports that such a network existed throughout NATO but said Mr. Hansen's remarks at the time were "still valid".

So far, Italy, Belgium and France have acknowledged the existence of the shadowy group in their country, and Italian sources say it was also operational in Britain and the Netherlands, and perhaps in Denmark.

In a radio broadcast late Monday, Alfred Mechtersheimer, a Greens MP, maintained that network "agents were trained in West Germany."

And a former member of Belgian military intelligence, Andre Moyen, on Tuesday said that the network had been operational in Germany under the name of Schwert, which means Sword in German.

Former chancellor Willy Brandt denied in Berlin Tuesday that he had any knowledge of the organisation during his 1969-74 stay in power.

The answer is "no, absolutely not," he said, in response to a question during a visit to Berlin.

Mr. Brandt's Social Democratic Party (SPD) has asked the centre-right government in Bonn to make public all its knowledge on the affair.

The North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) has refused to confirm or deny the existence of the network.

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#90317d7800 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (NOV. 13) - Syria has rejected a U.S. request to expel the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command from Damascus, according to the group's leader Ahmad Jibril.

In a statement carried by newspapers here Tuesday, Mr. Jibril said in Damascus that U.S. Secretary of State James Baker personally asked Syrian President Hafez al-Assad to expel the group during a visit to the Syrian capital in September.

The U.S. media has accused the group of involvement in the explosion aboard a

Pan American Airways Boeing over the Scottish town of Lockerbie in December 1988. The crash killed 270 people.

Mr. Jibril's group is not part of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). It has close ties with Iran and in the past had excellent relations with Libya.

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#90317d7890 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 13) - A man died from the plague Monday in a Moscow hospital, the second Soviet to die of the disease this month, according to reports on Tuesday.

The unofficial Interfax agency reported that a homeless man was found Sunday in a railroad station in Moscow and taken to hospital where he died of the plague.

The official news agency TASS reported the death last week of a well-digger in a village near Bukhara in Uzbekhistan.

More than 40 people who had contacts with him were quarantined.

The man, who died in a Bukhara hospital, had been working in the Uchkuduk region where all rodents are now being destroyed.

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#90317d7960 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 13) - President Francois Mitterrand said Tuesday the Gulf crisis was "dangerously" close to a "critical point" and the United Nations Security Council might have to "redefine its point of view in coming weeks".

Speaking after talks with Spanish Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez, Mr. Mitterrand said: "We continue to think peace is preferable to war, but it must be accompanied by law, and the absence of law deserves United Nations intervention".

He told a news conference that representatives of 34 countries due to attend the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) summit here next Monday through Wednesday should discuss the problem, and he considered it "premature" to say more on the issue.

Mr. Gonzalez spoke out in favour of a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

Meanwhile in Istanbul, former British foreign minister David Owen said he believed U.S. President George Bush might decide to declare war against Iraq this month or next.

He was speaking at a symposium on Turkey's role in the crisis.

Turkish Foreign Minister Ahmet Kurtcebe Alptemocin, who attended the meeting, said his country also wanted a "peaceful solution" to the crisis.

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#90317d8510 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (NOV. 13) - Two communist guerrillas in Bolivia allegedly killed Tuesday seven members of the security forces and six school pupils in separate attacks, as the country was heading for a general strike the next day.

Authorities said three soldiers were shot dead and five injured in an attack against a military base in Tamara, about 250 kilometres northeast of Bogota.

Guerrillas blew up a school bus near Algeciras, 270 kilometres south of the capital, killing six pupils as well as two policemen and injuring six children. The pupils had taken part as school policemen in a sport fiest.

A military spokesman charged the military wing of the Bolivian Communist Party Farc, and the pro-Cuban group Eln were behind the Tamara attack. The incident in Algeciras was carried out only by Farc gunmen.

He added that Farc members were planning more attacks during a general strike scheduled on Wednesday to protest against the economic policy of President Cesar Gaviria, who plans to privatise a number of state-owned companies.

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#90317d8560 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (NOV. 13) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker is to arrive here Friday, on the eve of a visit by U.S. President George Bush, the Czechoslovakian news agency CTK said Tuesday.

Mr. Baker will then accompany Mr. Bush on an eight-day tour of Europe and the Middle East.

Mr. Bush is expected to spend one day in Prague, CTK said.

Details of his activities are to be announced here Friday.

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#90317d8570 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) - A U.S. National Guard reservist who has been ordered to Saudi Arabia filed suit against the government Tuesday, saying President George Bush was violating the constitution by sending troops to the Gulf without congressional permission.

Sergeant Michael Ange, 26, alleges in the suit filed in U.S. District Court that his orders are illegal because they violate federal war powers laws.

"The president is preparing for an offensive military option against Iraq," the suit said. "If he goes to war, he will do so without obtaining the constitutionally required assent or declaration of war from Congress."

Leading Republican leaders asked Mr. Bush Tuesday to call a special session of Congress on the Gulf crisis, fearing the administration was moving dangerously close to war without congressional input.

Sgt. Ange "believes that he should not have to fight in an unconstitutional war," said Michael Ratner, the lead attorney in the case.

The reservist also claims that he is medically unfit to be called to active duty, citing knee, leg and foot problems.

His attorneys said Sgt. Ange supported the military's role in defending the United States.

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#90317d8610 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) - President George Bush Tuesday extended a "national emergency" with Iran that was first declared November 14, 1979 after the hostage-taking at the U.S. Embassy in Tehran.

"The crisis between the United States and Iran that began in 1979 has not been fully resolved," Mr. Bush explained in a letter to Congress.

The "national emergency," which has been extended each year since the hostages were taken at the U.S. Embassy, grants the president the authority to take whatever steps he deems necessary to secure Iran's adherence to the agreements reached in January 1981 at the end of the hostage crisis.

In his letter, Mr. Bush said that an international tribunal responsible for settling U.S.-Iranian financial disputes is still active in The Hague. But, he said, "the normalization of commercial and diplomatic relations between the United States and Iran has not been achieved."

"In these circumstances I have determined that it is necessary to maintain in force the broad authorities that may be needed in the process of implementing the January 1981 agreements with Iran and in the eventual normalization of relations with that country," Mr. Bush said.

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#90317d8670 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 13) - French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas held talks here Tuesday with his Libyan counterpart Ibrahim Mohammed al-Bechari, the foreign ministry said without giving details.

The meeting came as the situation in Chad worsened, with Ndjamena reporting Monday that Chadian troops and Libyan forces had been fighting since Saturday on the border between Chad and Sudan.

Libya has denied any involvement in the conflict.

Observers said Mr. Dumas' talks with his Libyan counterpart focused on the Gulf crisis. Tripoli and Paris have both condemned the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and pledged to abide by the United Nations-decreed trade embargo on Iraq.

Mr. al-Bechari stopped in Paris on his way back from Brussels where he attended a meeting between the 12 European Economic Community states' foreign ministers and counterparts from the Maghreb Union countries -- Tunisia, Algeria Mauritania, Morocco and Libya.

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#90317d8700 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRID (NOV. 13) - Spain is Europe's noisiest country and the second loudest in the world after Japan, according to a study of the World Health Organization (WHO) made public here Tuesday by the Spanish health ministry.

WHO said three-quarters of all Spaniards tolerated noise levels above the median considered bearable -- 65 decibels in the daytime and 45 at night.

However residents of cities like Madrid, Barcelona and Valencia suffered through daytime noise levels of more than 85 decibels.

Living with loud noise can cause loss of hearing, personality problems and heart trouble, according to experts.

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#90317d8820 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAGUA (NOV. 13) - The Nicaraguan army and police are ready to put down a rebellion of former contras, deputies and mayors, many from President Violeta Chamorro's ruling party, authorities said Tuesday.

Antonio Lacayo, the minister of the presidency, said in a press conference that the army would step in if the government and demonstrators failed to come to an agreement to end two-weeks of barricaded roads and occupied churches and government buildings.

Nicaragua is in the midst of growing protests by former rebels, backed by civilian officials, who say the government has failed to deliver on pledges of land, economic aid and other help in return for their demobilization earlier this year.

More than 150 riot police backed by three helicopters broke up a protest by former contra rebels Monday. At least five people have died since the disturbances began.

Mr. Lacayo also said Tuesday that police would be called in to pull down barricades, which have been erected to block roads as a form of protest.

Interior Minister Carlos Hurtado added: "It will be a question of pondering alternatives between dialogue and the use of other methods."

The mayors, who belong to Mrs. Chamorro's ruling coalition, have been demanding the ouster of both cabinet officials, as well as armed forces chief General Humberto Ortega and other military chiefs linked to the Sandinista government, which was voted out of power in February after 10 years of rule.

Mr. Lacayo said he agreed that some of the demands were just, including the demand for land.

But he reiterated Mrs. Chamorro's call for the rebels to end the protests and said they were being manipulated for political purposes.

A faction of the ruling coalition and the former rebels, who fought the Sandinistas for nine years, believe Mrs. Chamorro is being manipulated by the Sandinistas and failing to back those who voted her into power in February.

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#90317d8840 11/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) - The Pentagon said Tuesday that the Marine Corps will conduct its first amphibious assault landing exercise in Saudi Arabia, but rejected suggestions such an operation was "provocative."

The Washington Times said that the exercise would be carried out only 16 kilometers (10 miles) from the Kuwaiti border, citing unnamed U.S. officials as concerned about the "provocative" nature of a maneuver within range of Iraqi Silkworm anti-ship missiles.

"I don't see how you could in any way describe them as provocative," Mr. Williams said of the exercise. "This is Saudi sovereign territory. It isn't like parts of the country have already been red-lined away. It's all Saudi Arabia that we are talking about."

Mr. Williams would not say where or when the exercise would be held, but another Defense Department official, who requested anonymity, said most of the exercise would take place at least 16 kilometers (10 miles) from the Kuwaiti border.

Some 20 U.S. warships and 2,000 of the 11,000 Marines currently in the Gulf would take part in the maneuvers, designed to prepare for a beach assault and naval bombardment of Kuwait should President George Bush order an anti-Iraqi attack, the Washington Times report said.

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#90317e0042 11/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 13) EFE - Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani said Tuesday a new United Nations report sharply critical of the human rights situation in his country was an objective one, in an interview Tuesday with the Japanese news agnecy Kyodo.

"Basically, the report is objective. We have never tried to conceal the fact that there are still abuses and some violations," said Cristiani, whose right-wing ARENA party has been linked to thousands of death-squad killings.

Released Monday in New York, the U.N report cited numerous instances of torture, among other rights abuses, but said these were neither widespread nor the result of deliberate government policy.

Cristiani insisted that the number of such abuses has been falling and said the best way of ending them altogether was to end the Salvadoran civil war.

Earlier Tuesday, the Salvadoran leader had blamed leftist rebels for the delay in renewing peace talks, saying they were militarily weak and politically disoriented by the collapse of communism around the world.

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#90317f1961 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA (NOV. 13) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 1,600; slaughter steers and heifers mostly 50 higher than Monday; trading fairly active; few slaughter cows fully steady; slaughter bulls not well tested; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-4 1150- 1350 lbs. 79.50-80.50, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lbs. 78.00-79.50, select 75.50-78.00; holsteins select and choice No 2-3 1200-1350 lbs. 70.00-70.75; heifers choice No 2-4 975-1150 lbs. 79.00-80.25, near 1 load 80.50, select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lbs. 77.50-79.00, select 75.00-77.50; cows high cutter, util, commercial 2-4 breaking few 46.00-50.00, boning few 46.00-50.00, low to average cutter 41.00-46.00.

Hogs 1,600; compared to Monday, butchers fully 2.00-2.50 higher, extremes 3.00 up, No 1- 3 220-260 lbs. 51.00-51.25, some under 250 lbs. 51.50, No 2-3 260-290 lbs. 50.00-51.00; sows 20 percent, 1.00 higher, No 1-3 350-500 lbs. 43.00, No 2-3 500 650 lbs. not established, few 48.00- 48.50.

Sheep 400, compared to Monday, all classes steady, shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lbs. No 1-2 pelts 47.00-48.00; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lbs. 45.00-46.00, in the case of both wooled and shorn weights outside these ranges discounted; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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#90317h0151 11/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

PANAMA CITY (NOV. 13) XINHUA - U.S. FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI) IS MANAGE TO INVESTIGATE AN MONEY-LAUNDERING OPERATION THROUGH THE PANAMANIAN FREE ZONE OF COLON, THE LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY.

ACCORDING TO THE REPORTS, THE OPERATION WAS ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED IN 200 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS A YEAR. SINCE 1984, U.S. FEDERAL AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN INVESTIGATING THE COLON ZONE, WHERE THIS KIND OF OPERATIONS AVERAGE BETWEEN 3 AND 4 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS A YEAR, A REPORT SAID.

THE FBI INVESTIGATIONS HAVE BEEN EXPANDED AFTER THE U.S. OVERTHREW THE GOVERNMENT OF FORMER GENERAL MANUEL ANTONIO NORIEGA THROUGH INVASION OF PANAMA ON DECEMBER 20, 1989.

NATIONAL BANKING COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ERNESTO BOYD SAID RECENTLY THAT NO IRREGULARITIES WERE DISCOVERED IN THE OPERATIONS OF ITS 18 BANKS BASED IN COLON SINCE THE U.S. ISSUED AN ORDER LAST OCTOBER TO INSPECT THOSE BANKS FOR DETECTING POSSIBLE CASES OF MONEY LAUNDERING.

HOWEVER, U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INTERAMERICAN AFFAIRS, MICHAEL KOZAK, WHO IS CURRENTLY IN PANAMA TO NEGOTIATE A MUTUAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE TREATY, REFUSED TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE FBI INVESTIGATIONS.

"I CANNOT CONFIRM OR RULE OUT AN ONGOING" INVESTIGATION IN THE FREE ZONE OF COLON, HE SAID.

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#90317h0169 11/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LUSAKA (NOV. 13) XINHUA - ZAMBIA AIRWAYS HAS INCREASED FARES AND RATES ON DOMESTIC ROUTES BY 16 PERCENT FOLLOWING THE RECENT RISE IN FUEL PRICES, LOCAL NEWSPAPERS REPORTED TODAY.

AN AIRLINE SPOKESMAN SAID THE 16 PERCENT WAS NOT MUCH BECAUSE THE AVIATION FUEL PRICES HAVE GONE UP BY 55 PERCENT.

ZAMBIA AIRWAYS HAS ASKED TRAVEL AGENTS TO ENSURE THAT TICKETS BOUGHT AND AIRWAY BILLS EXECUTED ON OR AFTER NOVEMBER 8 SHOULD REFLECT THE 16 PERCENT INCREASE.

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BRASILIA (NOV. 13) XINHUA - ITALY IS READY AND WILLING TO PUT INTO EFFECT A BILATERAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH BRAZIL SIGNED IN SEPTEMBER 1989, WHICH WOULD GIVE LOANS TO THE SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRY.

PAOLO TARONY, ITALIAN AMBASSADOR TO BRAZIL, SAID THAT WITHIN ONE MONTH REPRESENTATIVES OF BOTH COUNTRIES WILL BEGAN TO DISCUSS THE MATTER.

THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT HAS AGREED TO GRANT BRAZIL 1.2 BILLION DOLLARS IN CREDITS FOR INVESTMENT IN "ECONOMIC, INDUSTRIAL, TECHNOLOGICAL AND CULTURAL AREAS."

AFTER THE AGREEMENT GOES INTO EFFECT, AN INITIAL PAYMENT OF 400 MILLION DOLLARS WILL PROBABLY BE MADE. THE REMAINDER OF THE MONEY WILL BE PAID OUT WHEN BRAZIL FINALIZES A PENDING ACCORD WITH THE PARIS CLUB, TARONY SAID.

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TOKYO (NOV. 13) KYODO - NEW PRIVATE-SECTOR ORDERS FOR MACHINERY RECEIVED BY JAPANESE MANUFACTURERS IN SEPTEMBER WERE UP 6.2 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH AFTER GAINING 1.1 PERCENT IN AUGUST, THE ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY (EPA) REPORTED TUESDAY.

NEW PRIVATE ORDERS, ADJUSTED FOR SEASONAL VARIATIONS, AMOUNTED TO A RECORD 1,113.2 BILLION YEN IN SEPTEMBER, MARKING AN 18.1 PERCENT RISE FROM A YEAR FORE, IT SAID.

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TOKYO (NOV. 13) KYODO - CANON INC. ANNOUNCED TUESDAY A NEW PROGRAM TO COLLECT AND RECYCLE USED COPIER AND PRINTER CARTRIDGES IN JAPAN AND 16 OTHER COUNTRIES A MOVE REFLECTING RECENT ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN AROUND THE GLOBE.

THE LEADING PRECISION MACHINERY MAKER SAID IT WILL GATHER CARTRIDGES USED IN ITS PERSONAL PC/FC SERIES COPIERS AND LASER SHOT SERIES LASER PRINTERS. THE COMPANY PRODUCES MORE THAN ONE MILLION SUCH CARTRIDGES EVERY MONTH.

THE COLLECTED CARTRIDGES WILL BE DISASSEMBLED AND RECYCLED FOR THE PRODUCTION OF NEW CARTRIDGES AT A NEW PLANT IN DALIAN, CHINA, WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN

OPERATION IN FEBRUARY.

CANON SAID THE PROGRAM, WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN TESTED IN GERMANY AND THE WESTERN UNITED STATES, WILL BE PUT INTO PRACTICE IN JAPAN AND OTHER PARTS OF THE U.S. BY THE END OF THE YEAR AND IN 13 EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, CANADA, AND AUSTRALIA NEXT YEAR.

COMMENTING ON THE NEW SCHEME, COMPANY PRESIDENT KEIZO YAMAJI SAID CANON IS WILLING TO INCLUDE ALL ITS CARTRIDGES IN THE PROGRAM IN FUTURE, THOUGH TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER COSTS ARE MAJOR OBSTACLES.

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TOKYO (NOV. 13) KYODO - AUSTRIAN PRESIDENT KURT WALDHEIM ON TUESDAY TOLD FOREIGN MINISTER TARO NAKAYAMA THAT HIS COUNTRY WANTS TO CORRECT ITS TRADE IMBALANCE WITH JAPAN, FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE TWO MET ON SHORT NOTICE AT A HOTEL IN TOKYO, AFTER WALDHEIM REQUESTED A MEETING ON MONDAY.

IN THEIR 10-MINUTE TALKS, WALDHEIM STRESSED THE NEED FOR CORRECTING THE TRADE IMBALANCE WITH JAPAN, ADDING THAT HIS COUNTRY HAS MADE EFFORTS TO PROMOTE THE NATION'S EXPORTS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

NAKAYAMA, IN RETURN, SAID HE WILL STUDY THE ISSUE, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION RELATIONS WITH OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

JAPAN EXPORTED 182.2 BILLION YEN WORTH OF GOODS TO AUSTRIA IN 1989 WHILE IMPORTING 72 BILLION YEN WORTH.

TOUCHING UPON TALKS HE HELD WITH AUSTRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER ALOIS MOCK IN AUSTRIA LAST DECEMBER AND JULY, NAKAYAMA WAS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT HE HAD LEARNED MUCH THROUGH MOCK ABOUT EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

WALDHEIM TOLD NAKAYAMA THAT HIS COUNTRY CAN LINK EAST EUROPEAN NATIONS WITH JAPAN BY ACTING AS A CENTER FOR JAPANESE COMPANIES, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS.

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TOKYO (NOV. 13) KYODO - ISUZU MOTORS LTD., A MEDIUM-SCALE AUTOMAKER, SAID TUESDAY IT PLANS TO STRENGTHEN ITS PARTNERSHIP WITH GENERAL MOTORS CORP. OF THE UNITED STATES BY PROMOTING SALES OF GM CARS IN JAPAN.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT CAME AT A PRESS CONFERENCE MADE BY ISUZU PRESIDENT KAZUO TOBIYAMA EARLIER IN THE DAY.

"GM PUTS A SIGNIFICANT IMPORTANCE ON THE JAPANESE AUTO MARKET. ISUZU WANTS TO COOPERATE TO PROMOTE ITS SALES HERE," HE SAID.

INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID THE MARKETING PROMOTION IS EXPECTED TO COVER GM'S SATURN A COMPACT CAR WHICH WAS RECENTLY INTRODUCED IN THE U.S.

TOBIYAMA SAID THAT BESIDES HELPING SELL GM CARS, THE COMPANY WILL STUDY THE POSSIBILITY OF ASSEMBLING CARS MADE BY OPEL, GM'S GERMAN UNIT.

IN CELEBRATION OF THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR TIE-UP NEXT YEAR, THE TWO AUTOMAKERS WILL ALSO BOOST PRODUCTION TO 250,000 VEHICLES ANNUALLY BY 1995 AT IBC, THEIR COMMERCIAL VEHICLE PRODUCTION ALLIANCE IN BRITAIN.

IBC, WHICH NOW TURNS OUT 20,000 VEHICLES OF ISUZU'S FARGO, WILL START PRODUCTION OF ITS OFF-ROAD RODEO IN THE LATTER HALF OF 1991 AND OTHER NEW COMMERCIAL VEHICLES IN 1985.

TOBIYAMA SAID ISUZU WILL ALSO PURCHASE GM ENGINE PARTS BEGINNING NEXT SUMMER.

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TOKYO (NOV. 13) KYODO - THE ALLIANZ INSURANCE GROUP, ONE OF GERMANY'S LARGEST INSURERS, SAID TUESDAY IT WILL SET UP A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY IN TOKYO TO BUILD A MARKETING BASE FOR ITS INSURANCE SERVICES.

ALLIANZ VERSICHERUNGS AG, THE NONLIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE GROUP, WILL ESTABLISH THE SUBSIDIARY BY THE END OF THIS MONTH WITH CAPITAL OF 2 BILLION YEN FOR STARTING OPERATION ON APRIL 1, 1991.

THE GERMAN INSURANCE COMPANY WILL BE THE FIRST EUROPEAN INSURANCE FIRM TO ENTER JAPAN BY FORMING A LOCAL SUBSIDIARY.

ALLSTATE AUTOMOBILE AND FIRE INSURANCE CO., AND JAPAN INTERNATIONAL ACCIDENT AND FIRE INSURANCE CO., ALREADY HAVE SUBSIDIARIES IN JAPAN.

THE SUBSIDIARY, ALLIANZ FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE CO., WILL TARGET EUROPEAN COMPANIES OPERATING IN JAPAN, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

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TOKYO (NOV. 13) KYODO - PROSECUTORS INDICTED A FORMER DEPUTY BRANCH MANAGER OF THE MITSUI TRUST BANKING CO. AND THREE OTHERS ON TUESDAY FOR EVADING TAXES ON 1.83 BILLION YEN IN EARNINGS FROM STOCK DEALINGS.

THE INDICTED WERE TSUNETAKA SETO, 48, A FORMER DEPUTY MANAGER OF THE SHIBUYA BRANCH OF THE BANK, HARUKI MATSUO, 40, A FORMER SHIBUYA BRANCH CLERK, NOBUYUKI

ITO, 43, A LICENCED TAX ACCOUNTANT, AND TAISUKE KOBAYASHI, 52, A COMPANY EXECUTIVE.

SETO WAS CHARGED WITH EVADING TAX OF 680 MILLION YEN BY FAILING TO DECLARE EARNINGS OF 1.14 BILLION YEN GAINED THROUGH SPECULATIVE STOCK TRADING BETWEEN 1986 AND 1987, PROSECUTORS SAID.

SETO TOOK ADVANTAGE OF SPECULATIVE STOCK TRADING BY MITSUHIRO KOTANI, 53, HEAD OF THE KOSHIN GROUP OF STOCK SPECULATORS, WHO WAS ARRESTED AND INDICTED LAST SUMMER FOR MANUPULATING SHARE PRICES.

THE THREE OTHERS ALSO ALLEGEDLY EVADED TAXES ON L.15 MILLION YEN IN PROFITS GAINED IN SHARE TRADING, PROSECUTORS SAID.

THE MITSUI TRUST AND BANKING GROUP FINANCED A TOTAL OF 80 BILLION YEN TO THE KOSHIN GROUP, SOURCES SAID.

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TOKYO (NOV. 13) KYODO - CAMEROON'S PRESIDENT PAUL BIYA ON TUESDAY PRESSED PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU FOR ASSISTANCE TO HELP THE CENTRAL AFRICAN NATION WEATHER ITS CURRENT ECONOMIC PLIGHT, JAPANESE OFFICIALS SAID.

BIYA IS IN JAPAN TO ATTEND THE ENTHRONEMENT CEREMONY FOR EMPEROR AKIHITO, WHICH WAS HELD MONDAY.

HE EXPRESSED CONCERNS THAT ASSISTANCE TO EAST EUROPEAN NATIONS, WHICH ARE UNDERGOING SWEEPING POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC REFORMS, MAY ERODE DUE ATTENTION TO ECONOMIC AID FOR AFRICAN AND OTHER DEVELOPING NATIONS, THEY SAID.

BIYA NOTED THAT CAMEROON IS FACING SEVERE ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES DUE TO DECLINING WORLD PRICES FOR PRIMARY PRODUCTS.

HE TOLD KAIFU THAT HIS NATION IS UNDERTAKING ECONOMIC STRUCTURAL ADJUSTMENTS IN COLLABORATION WITH THE WORLD BANK AND THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF) AND NEEDS ASSISTANCE FROM JAPAN.

KAIFU SAID ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO CAMEROON WILL BE STUDIED AT THE WORKING LEVEL, AND ASSURED BIYA THAT AID TO EAST EUROPEAN NATIONS WILL NOT CAUSE A REDUCTION IN ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOPING NATIONS.

KAIFU ALSO TOLD BIYA THAT JAPAN WILL SET UP AN EMBASSY IN CAMEROON BY THE END OF THIS YEAR.

HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT CAMEROON WILL CONTINUE TO STRIVE FOR STABILIZATION AND PROMOTE DEMOCRACY.

CAMEROON HAS OFTEN BEEN SUBJECT TO ANTIGOVERNMENT MOVEMENTS BY ISLAMIC POLITICAL FORCES.

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TOKYO (NOV. 13) KYODO - JAPAN WILL REJECT SOUTH KOREA'S REQUEST FOR AN END TO FINGERPRINTING OF ITS "FIRST AND SECOND-GENERATION" KOREAN RESIDENTS, GOVERNMENT SOURCES SAID TUESDAY.

BUT THE GOVERNMENT PLANS TO APPLY OTHER MEASURES DECIDED FOR "THIRD-GENERATION" RESIDENT KOREANS TO THE FIRST AND SECOND-GENERATION ONES TO IMPROVE THEIR LEGAL STATUS, THE SOURCES SAID.

THE GOVERNMENT WILL FORMALLY UNVEIL ITS POSITION AT A WORKING-LEVEL MEETING WITH SOUTH KOREA ON NOVEMBER 19 AND HOPES TO REACH AGREEMENT AT A MINISTERIAL MEETING ON NOVEMBER 26-27 IN SEOUL, THEY SAID.

JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREAN REACHED ACCORD AT FOREIGN MINISTERIAL TALKS IN APRIL ON THE ISSUE OF IMPROVING THE LEGAL STATUS OF THIRD-GENERATION RESIDENT KOREANS.

THE AGREEMENT CALLS FOR A NEW REGISTRY TO ELIMINATE FINGERPRINTING FOR SUCH RESIDENTS.

IT ALSO LIMITS DEPORTATION FOR THIRD-GENERATION KOREAN RESIDENTS TO THOSE GUILTY OF SUBVERSIVE ACTS AND EXTENDS THEIR ALLOWABLE RESIDENCE PERIOD ABROAD FROM TWO TO FIVE YEARS.

SOUTH KOREAN PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO URGED JAPAN TO APPLY THE ACCORD TO THE FIRST AND SECOND-GENERATION KOREAN RESIDENTS WHEN HE VISITED JAPAN IN MAY.

THIRD-GENERATION KOREAN RESIDENTS ARE LEGALLY DEFINED AS THE OFFSPRING OF KOREAN RESIDENTS BORN ON OR AFTER JANUARY 17, 1971.

WHEN JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA SIGNED THE NORMALIZATION TREATY IN 1965, ALL KOREANS WHO HAD BEEN LIVING IN JAPAN UP TO 1945, AND THOSE BORN BEFORE JANUARY 16, 1971 WERE CLASSIFIED AS FIRST-GENERATION KOREANS.

THEIR CHILDREN WERE ALSO GIVEN THE RIGHT OF PERMANENT RESIDENCE. JAPAN AGREED IN APRIL TO GRANT THIRD-GENERATION KOREAN RESIDENTS THE SAME RIGHT.

JAPANESE LAW REQUIRES ALL FOREIGNERS OVER THE AGE OF 16 LIVING IN JAPAN FOR MORE THAN A YEAR TO SUBMIT A FINGERPRINT FOR AN ALIEN REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WHICH THEY MUST CARRY AT ALL TIMES.

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SINGAPORE (NOV. 13) KYODO - FOUR JAPANESE PUBLICATIONS CIRCULATING IN SINGAPORE HAVE BEEN EXEMPTED FROM APPLYING FOR A PERMIT UNDER SINGAPORE'S TIGHTER PRESS LAWS WHICH WILL TAKE EFFECT ON DECEMBER 1.

THE NEW LAW REQUIRES DAILY OR WEEKLY FOREIGN PUBLICATIONS WHICH REPORT ON THE POLITICS AND CURRENT AFFAIRS OF SINGAPORE AND OTHER SOUTHEAST ASIAN COUNTRIES, AND WHICH HAVE A CIRCULATION OF 300 COPIES OR MORE IN SINGAPORE TO APPLY FOR A PERMIT TO CIRCULATE HERE.

THERE ARE 17 SUCH PUBLICATIONS CIRCULATING IN SINGAPORE, THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION SAID IN A STATEMENT ON TUESDAY.

BEFORE A PERMIT IS GRANTED UNDER THE NEW LAWS, THE GOVERNMENT WILL SPECIFY THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF COPIES THEY WILL BE ALLOWED TO SELL IN SINGAPORE.

IT WILL ALSO REQUIRE THE PUBLISHER TO FIRST APPOINT AN AGENT IN SINGAPORE TO ACCEPT THE SERVICE OF ANY LEGAL PROCESS AND PAY A DEPOSIT TO MEET THE COST OF ANY LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

BUT IT DECIDED TO EXEMPT 14 OF THESE PUBLICATIONS INCLUDING THE ASAHI SHIMBUN SATELLITE EDITION, THE NIHON KEIZAI SHIMBUN ASIAN EDITION, THE BANGKOK SHUHO, AND THE YOMIURI SHIMBUN.

WESTERN PUBLICATIONS SUCH AS TIME MAGAZINE, THE INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE, NEWSWEEK, AND THE ECONOMIST, WERE ALSO EXEMPTED BECAUSE THEY ''DO NOT REPORT REGULARLY ON SINGAPORE AND HAVE NOT INTERFERED IN SINGAPORE'S DOMESTIC AFFAIRS '' THE GOVERNMENT SAID.

ONLY THREE REGIONAL PUBLICATIONS CURRENTLY CIRCULATING HERE, THE WEEKLY NEWS MAGAZINE, "ASIAWEEK," ITS CHINESE SISTER PUBLICATION, "YAZHOU ZHOUKAN" AND "MEDIA" WILL NEED PERMITS TO CIRCULATE IN SINGAPORE.

THE FAR EASTERN ECONOMIC REVIEW AND THE ASIAN WALL STREET JOURNAL WILL ALSO NEED A PERMIT BEFORE THEY CAN RESUME CIRCULATION IN SINGAPORE, THE GOVERNMENT SAID.

MAH BOW TAN, SINGAPOREAN MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION, TOLD PARLIAMENT LAST AUGUST THAT THE NEW RULING IS NOT INTENDED TO CURB THE CIRCULATION OF FOREIGN PUBLICATIONS IN SINGAPORE.

BUT IT IS MEANT TO OVERCOME PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED WITH A SMALL NUMBER OF FOREIGN PUBLICATIONS WHICH REGULARLY REPORT ON SINGAPORE.

HE SAID SOME OF THESE PUBLICATIONS HAD BUILT UP SIZEABLE CIRCULATIONS IN SINGAPORE AND ATTEMPTED TO PLAY THE SAME ROLE IN SINGAPORE POLITICS AS THEY DID IN THEIR COUNTRIES BY TAKING SIDES AND INFLUENCING EVENTS.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV 13) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei rockets 1042 points. ... The FTSE also gains, adding 13 points in early afternoon trading. ... Bonds continue to move higher with the long yield down to 8.50%. ... The dollar is also stronger. ... GENEX CORP. plans to lay off more than half of its 65 employees and sell its biotechnology unit. ... USX CORP. and the UNITED STEELWORKERS UNION have recessed talks without reaching an early contract settlement on a new contract. The current contract runs for 10 more weeks. ... GENERAL DYNAMICS machinist union rejects a three-year contract offer, but decide not to walk off the job pending further negotiations. ... LOCKHEED received a proposal from Dallas financier HAROLD SIMMONS to take the company private for $40 a share, or about $1.6 billion. The buy-out plan is contingent of Lockheed's providing about half the cash. The company is expected to reject the bid as too low. ... DAYS INN has missed some payments on its high-interest debt, and is trying to overhaul its capital structure.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The FEDERAL OPEN MARKET COMMITTEE meets today. ... Despite U.S. opposition the WORLD BANK is preparing to lift curbs on loans to China imposed after the Tiananmen killings in June 1989.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I think we can probably go to 2600 or 2650 [on this rally]," says ALAN BOND at W.R. LAZARD & CO. "Near-term, we think that's a possible range, especially if we get a very accommodative Fed posture. After that, we think we might go to 2700 or 2750 ... by year-end." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/12)

"Everything's in place for a good rally," says block trader BRAD WEEKES at DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE. "Technology stocks are very strong, but stocks are really up across the board." ("The Washington Post", 11/13)

FROM THE BEARS:

One of the more bearish bears on Wall Street is SOGEN INTERNATIONAL FUND's JEAN-MARIE EVEILLARD, who has only 37% of the fund invested in equities. "Over the last 12 months there has been an unwinding of the credit boom, as exemplified by the fall in the junk-bond market, the collapse of the Japanese stock market and the fall in commercial real estate in the U.S.," he says. "One by one, the dominoes have fallen." He continues, "This bear market is

one of three things. It's either a traditional cyclical bear market, in which case it's over. Or it's a 1973-1974 type of affair, in which case we've had 1973 and we still have to go through 1974. Or it's a 1930s type of a bear market, in which case we ain't seen nothing yet." Mr. Eveillard is currently betting on the third scenario. (WSJ, 11/13)

"The Fed's hands are tied until it sees what West Germany and Japan do with their interest rates," says RON SLOAN of SIEBEL CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. "So this run-up [in stocks] is a knee-jerk reaction to

lower rate prospects. Don't get sucked into this rally." ("USA Today", 11/13)

STOCK MARKET:

Yesterday's move was "fairly spirited, considering some players were on the sidelines" for the bank holiday, says SMITH BARNEY analyst ALAN SHAW. He says if there is good volume today, "we could get a decent rally to Dow 2600 to 2640, a 50% retracement from the decline off the top." ("Investor's Daily", 11/13)

Last week, some of the poorest-performing stocks were utility and energy issues, both traditionally safe harbors in times of distress. "That tells me that stock people are getting out of the parking-lot stocks and into real stocks,' says PETER CANELO, chief market strategist at BEAR STEARNS. With the decline in oil prices comes increased confidence that interest rates will be falling too, says Canelo. That view is bolstered by other statistics, including declining prices for some industrial goods, rising unemployment claims and the gloomy outlook among industrial purchasing agents. "Those are all the things the bond market can be happy about," he says adding that they don't necessarily suggest a recession thus buoying the stock market. "If it was really a weak economy, that wouldn't be good for stocks, but as long as the economy remains flat or growing slightly, what's good for bonds is good for stocks." (WSJ, 11/13)

"Earnings are still a question, and while lower interest rates would offset poor earnings, I don't think this rally can last," says RAO CHALASANI, chief investment strategist for PRESCOTT, BALL & TURBEN. He says even a sharp rate cut might not boost the Dow past 2700. ("USA Today", 11/13)

"You're getting a good bear-market rally, and it may be something much bigger " says HARVEY EISEN, president of SUNAMERICA ASSET MANAGEMENT. "The bull case is that rates have peaked, inflation is not re-emerging, and oil is coming down." Mr. Eisen is still cautious holding 25% of his portfolio in cash. What worries him is that the big buying in the Treasury market may be stimulated by fear of a financial collapse resulting in bank failures. (WSJ, 11/13)

"The technology stocks are getting the brunt of the buying, led by IBM," says

strategist MICHAEL METZ at OPPENHEIMER & CO. "That in itself is significant -- it represents a shift away from the defensive plays that have led rallies recently." ("The Washington Post", 11/13)

"Typically when you get into a bear market, interest rates drop and the stock market responds as people begin thinking the economy will pull out of the recession," says ART MICHELETTI of BAILARD BIEHL & KAISER. "But as you get out two or three months and the economy is not responding, people get discouraged." Based on that he advises investors to "sell the rally and look for a 1-percentage-point drop in interest rates and 10% to 15% drop in stock prices." ("USA Today", 11/13)

"We want more time to go by to make sure that there isn't a shooting war in the Middle East," says FOSTER FRIESS, of the BRANDYWINE FUND, who describes his decision to stay out of the market as "a lot grayer" now than it was back in August when the Iraqi invasion, corporate profits and worries about the banking system and the federal budget were more prevalent. "All those things are more out on the table than they were two or three months ago," says Mr. Friess. The fund still has 80% of its assets in cash. (WSJ, 11/13)

"We're getting good leadership in the market," says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. He gives as an example IBM, which "broke out" setting a new high above 110. "Plus, we're getting people feeling a little bit better about the stocks that have been depressed a great deal." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/12)

LASZLO BIRINYI of BIRINYI ASSOCIATES reports that $343 million of yesterday's trading came from new money entering the market in blocks of 10,000 shares or more, while $195 million entered in smaller blocks. "The little guy, the big guy, the institutions, they were all active," says Birinyi. (NYT, 11/13)

BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC," says the stock market is entitled to have "three good days of good psychology," but warns that "could turn around in an instant" and says he remains unconvinced real interest rates are low enough to brighten a poor earnings picture. "That is not yet clear, even though the big companies looked very good in the last few days in the stock market. I am not convinced that the earnings turnaround is at hand, or can even be seen yet. ... I think this may be what our technical friends call a trading rally on a few good days of psychology in the midst of your general gloom. I really don't expect that good psychology to last barring some great success in the Mideast -- either diplomatic or military." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/12)

At least part of today's surge in the Nikkei can be attributed to "politeness toward the Emperor after his enthronement," says MERRILL LYNCH's LIAM NEWBURG from Tokyo where markets were closed on Monday. "Percentage wise, we did in one day what [New York] did in two." Volume was relatively light and much of

it was dealer centered, says Newburg. (FNN "A.M. Business", 11/13)

STOCK TIPS:

"World Depression II Ahead," warns "Money & Markets" where editor MARTIN WEISS sees brokerage firms running for cover, corporate profits falling and real estate values declining at least 50% from current levels. He advises his clients to nail down profits made by shorting GM and GE. New short recommendations: DOW, NYNEX and WAL- MART. (CNBC "World Business", 11/13)

BING CARLIN, manager of the $193 million IAI REGIONAL FUND, was firmly in the bear camp until recently as bargain hunting has whittled his 37% cash position down to a cash position of 25%. Mr. Carlin believes the bears are missing an opportunity to buy. He says, "People are mesmerized by the market and the Middle East, but over the next six months, you should be using a bottom-up approach" to the market, judging individual stocks on their merits. Mr. Carlin is delving into battered over-the-counter stocks like ANALYSTS INTERNATIONAL, NELLCOR and NETWORK SYSTEMS. (WSJ, 11/13)

"You never want to be with the crowd," says noted short MATT FESHBACH, managing partner at FESHBACH PARTNERS who says he is backing off this market "not a lot but a little bit" after recording 60% gains thus far this year. His current shorts include CITIBANK, WELLS FARGO, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS and NORTHROP. (CNN "Business Morning", 11/13)

The BRANDYWINE FUND, under the direction of the bearish FOSTER FRIESS, has been nibbling at health-care stocks such as PREFERRED HEALTH CARE and UNITED HEALTHCARE, and some technology stocks such as SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS and CABLETRON SYSTEMS. (WSJ, 11/13)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"The dollar is too cheap," says HEIKO THIEME of THIEME ASSOCIATES. "It is grossly undervalued." He predicts that over the next year, monetary officials around the world will be easing policies since, "their economies will need to be stimulated." ("Investor's Daily", 11/13)

"With the war specter off the horizon and with rumors that the Fed will drop rates by tomorrow, there's nothing positive for the dollar at the moment," says MICHAEL McGUINNESS of HARRIS TRUST & SAVINGS. ("Investor's Daily", 11/13)

"Oil is the big hopeful" increasing chances of a Fed easing of interest rates, says JOSEPH SABBAGH, chief currency trader at EUROPEAN AMERICAN CAPITAL CORP. in New York. If the slide in oil continues, it "might help the Fed produce one more drop in rates" over and above what the [currency] market has already factored in, he says. This adds to the bias for a lower dollar. (WSJ, 11/13)

"Over the near term, it pays to be cautious" on the dollar, says DON GOULD, president of HUNTINGTON ADVISERS. "We've made a tremendous profit being out of the dollar." ("Investor's Daily", 11/13)

"We still have some poor economic statistics to come ahead," says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. "These statistics should paint a picture of continuing weakness, so if the Fed doesn't cut the rates this week, I suspect in the next couple weeks they will." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/12)

"The Fed could move this week, or they could put it off for a few more days," says JAMES FRALICK of MORGAN STANLEY. "Dealers certainly anticipate another ease in policy, and are willing to hold the securities they bought at last week's Treasury refunding auctions." (NYT, 11/13)

"We think there is a chance of a lowering of interest rates and a possible cut in the prime rate," says SMITH BARNEY analyst ALAN SHAW. "Our indicators are showing a lessening of monetary pressure." ("Investor's Daily", 11/13)

"There are a lot of people who seem to be thinking that the combination of falling oil prices and weakening economy are good for both stocks and bonds," says ABBY JOSEPH COHEN, a strategist at GOLDMAN SACHS. "But if the bond market is rallying because the economy is weak, that isn't a reason to buy stocks, it's a reason to buy bonds." (WSJ, 11/13)

"People sense that Washington's perception on the economy began changing last week," says KIDDER PEABODY analyst DENNIS JARRETT. "They're convinced the Fed is now clued into reality." Jarrett says the Fed needs to give rates a sharp cut -- more than the one-quarter of a percentage point it cut last time -- to have much impact on Wall Street. ("USA Today", 11/13)

THE ECONOMY:

"It now seems very likely that America's longest peacetime expansion is about to come to an end," says ROBERT EGGERT, editor of "Blue Chip Economic Indicators." A survey done by Blue Chip reported 80% of the economists questioned believe a recession will have started by the end of this year, but 75% say the downturn will only last 2-3 quarters and 82% "anticipate that the recession will be relatively mild," says Eggert. (NYT, 11/13)

The weakness of the banking industry is "the most important wild card in the economic setting right now," says DONALD STRASZHEIM of MERRILL LYNCH. "Banks and their problems are at the heart of the risk." ("Investor's Daily", 11/13)

"I think there will very likely be an oil glut," says CHARLES EBINGER of INTERNATIONAL RESOURCES GROUP. Production has been increased significantly in the wake of the crisis in the Middle East. "Right now we see oil sustained purely by psychological factors," says Ebinger. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/12)

"It's not clear how much [oil] prices will be coming down," says SUZANNE COOK of MERRILL LYNCH. But "directionally, we would expect them to come down, perhaps into the low 20s." (CNN "Moneyline", 11/12)

IN WASHINGTON:

"There is no slope even suggested in the European proposal with respect to export subsidies," says U.S. TRADE REPRESENTATIVE CARLA HILLS . She says that "amounts to economic warfare," and believes it may hamper the GATT talks. "You may as well just drop a bomb on a country's fields as to buy the market out from under them," according to Hills. (CNN "Moneyline", 11/12)

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BOSTON (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Uno Restaurant Corporation (AMEX: UNO) today announced that net income for fiscal 1990 increased 27 percent to a record $3,820,000, or 48 cents per share. Net income for the fourth quarter was up 28 percent to a record $1,180,000, or 15 cents per share. Revenues for the year rose 35 percent to $54.7 million while revenues for the fourth quarter rose at an even stronger rate. At $15.8 million, they were up 39 percent over the prior year.

Uno Restaurant Corporation operates and franchises a chain of casual dining, full-service restaurants under the name "Pizzeria Uno Restaurant and Bar." The restaurants feature gourmet, Chicago-style deep dish pizza and a variety of entrees, sandwiches, appetizers, salads, desserts and beverages. It currently owns, operates and franchises 84 Pizzeria Uno restaurants in 22 states, District of Columbia, Australia and Canada.

UNO RESTAURANT CORPORATION
Financial Summary
(Amounts in thousands except per share data)

	13 Weeks Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Oct. 1, 1989
Revenue-(a)	$15,769	$11,379
Operating income	$ 2,130	$ 1,568
Net income	$ 1,180	$ 919
Earnings per common share	15 cents	11 cents
Weighted avg. shares outstanding	8,014	8,025

52 Weeks Ended

	Sept. 30, 1990	Oct. 1, 1989
Revenue-(a)	$54,691	$40,635
Operating income	$ 6,999	$ 5,233
Net income	$ 3,820	$ 3,007
Earnings per common share	48 cents	40 cents
Weighted avg. shares outstanding	8,017	7,517

Note: (a)-1989 amount reclassified to permit comparison.

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IRVINE, CA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Rainbow Technologies Inc. has established a new German subsidiary, Rainbow Technologies GmbH, located near Munich, that will complement the current London office and further commit the company to the European marketplace.

Rainbow Technologies is the leading international developer and manufacturer of hardware devices for software execution control and data security in the IBM and Apple Macintosh personal computer markets.

NetSentinel Enforces Site License Agreements In a related development, Rainbow also introduced NetSentinel, the latest addition to its Software Sentinel line of PC/compatible software execution control devices. NetSentinel is designed to control the number of concurrent users of a LAN application software program, thus allowing it to enforce site license agreements.

NetSentinel acts as a site license management system in two respects -- first, the software can't be executed without the NetSentinel hardware key installed; second, the system tracks the number of end-users concurrently accessing the software, denying access when the limits of the agreement have been reached.

London and German Offices to Service Europe Rainbow's London office, established in 1988, will serve the European marketing efforts along with the new Munich facility. Both offices are under the direction of Al Weingartner, vice president, international. He reports directly to Straub.

In addition to sales and marketing, the two locations will handle product inventory and shipping as well as maintain full technical staffs.

Rainbow Technologies GmbH is located at Oskar-Messter-Strasse 16, Postfach 1243, D-8045 Ismaning, Germany; telephone: 011-89-961-3051-53; fax: 011-89-961-2617. The contact there is Managing Director Ulrich Beckmann.

Rainbow's office in Great Britain, Rainbow Technologies Ltd., is located at Shirley Lodge, 470 London Rd., Slough, Berkshire SL3 8QY, U.K.; telephone: 011-0753-41512; fax: 011-0753-43610.

Formed in 1984 and based in Irvine, Rainbow Technologies Inc. is the leading developer and manufacturer of hardware devices for software executive control and data security in the IBM, Apple and UNIX personal computer markets.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Garnet Resources Corporation (NASDAQ: GARN) today reported the status of drilling activities in the Putumayo area of Colombia and in Papua New Guinea.

In Colombia, Garnet said that the Toroyaco No. 2, a confirmation well 1.2 miles southwest of the Toroyaco No. 1 discovery well, flowed at a rate of 438 barrels of 26 degrees gravity oil per day on a 3/8-inch choke during a three-day test. The oil was produced from perforations in the Villeta "N" sand from 8,128 to 8,138 feet. A pump test of this zone is presently underway. The Toroyaco No. 2 was suspended in July 1990, after testing water from the Villeta "U" and "T" sands.

Also in Colombia, the Linda No. 2, a confirmation well three quarters of a mile east of the Linda No. 1 discovery well, produced 20.6 degrees gravity oil at a daily rate of 320 barrels on a 48-hour pump test from perforations in the Villeta "N" sand at 8,328-32 and 8,339-45 feet. Further testing will be required to determine the ultimate producing capability of both the Linda No. 2 and the Toroyaco No. 2.

The Mary No. 1, an exploratory well approximately 6.5 miles northeast of the Linda No. 1, has reached total depth of 8,030 feet, electric logging has been completed, and production casing is being set to test several intervals that appear to have hydrocarbon potential. Garnet management stressed that no definitive conclusions can be drawn prior to completion of the testing estimated to require 30 days.

Garnet also announced that the Kara 1X exploratory well, which was drilled by Chevron on the northern portion of Garnet's 1,000,000-acre license in Papua New Guinea, has been plugged and abandoned as a dry hole. Under the terms of a farmout agreement, Chevron earned 25 percent working interest in the license by drilling the Kara 1X well and has successive options to drill two additional test wells to earn up to 57.5 percent working interest. If Chevron fulfills all obligations and exercises all options, Garnet will retain a 17

percent working interest. The company has been informed that Chevron plans to acquire additional seismic data on the southern portion of the license in an effort to delineate a drillable prospect.

Garnet is engaged primarily in international oil and gas exploration activities. Its exploration and production operations in Colombia are conducted through its subsidiary Argosy Energy International.

CONTACT: Albert E. Whitehead, chairman, 918-587-8093, or George M. Nevers, president, 713-759-1692, both of Garnet Resources

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#90317p6098 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, MICH. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Spartan Motors, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SPAR) has introduced the industry's lowest-cost, rear- engine chassis, under 16,000 pounds. This chassis is designed primarily for RVs and small light-duty tour/transit buses, according to George W. Sztykiel, president.

Spartan's EC-2000 line has a unique wide axle track which improves handling and stability, a wide spring center, and air over hydraulic brakes rather than the traditional hydraulic brakes, a first in this smaller chassis market niche. Another advantage of the EC-2000 is its excellent fuel economy, which is far superior to a similar chassis equipped with a gasoline engine. This chassis is ideal for those body builders who produce lower cost vehicles and do not need large diesel "pusher" engines, Sztykiel pointed out. Prototypes of the new chassis were recently introduced at industry trade shows in Sacramento and Houston, where they were met with enthusiastic receptions. Early indications point to a market potential of 500 chassis or more over the next 12 months.

According to Sztykiel, Spartan has been very successful with its last introduction of a custom motorhome chassis for top-of-the-line motorhomes. Since it was introduced in December 1989, Spartan has sold 310 such motorhome chassis. Spartan has even greater expectations of this new chassis, which is priced well below domestic and foreign chassis of this type and size. Spartan has recently attended some shows overseas and believes this new chassis has significant overseas market potential, Sztykiel concluded.

Spartan Motors, Inc. is the leading manufacturer of custom designed fire truck chassis, motorhome chassis and other specialty and emergency vehicle chassis.

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#90317p6102 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - DH Technology Inc. (DHT) (NASDAQ: DHTK) announced today that it has strengthened its leadership position in the specialty printing industry by acquiring the operations of The Identification Business Inc. (IBI). IBI is a leader in application software and continuous feed laser printer technology for the bar code industry.

IBI's product line includes the Model 1600C continuous feed laser printer, which prints more than 1,000 lines per minute and emulates HP LaserJet II and Code V bar code printing. The company has three software packages, Laser-Aide(R), LPS and Desktop-Aide which allow users to easily customize and integrate their labelling, scanning, database and communications applications.

William H. Gibbs, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of DHT, said, "This acquisition greatly enhances our bar code expertise. The combination of IBI's personnel, products and distribution channels with our current bar code products makes us a significant contender in the growing identification business. The addition of IBI's laser technology to DHT's dot matrix impact and thermal technology provides an increased flexibility to match proper technology to our customers' specific needs. We are enthusiastic about the opportunities that IBI presents us and our customers."

Ivan Jeanblanc, former chief executive officer of The Identification Business Inc., has been named a vice president and general manager of the acquired business, which will be operated under the name "The Identification Business, a Division of DH Technology Inc." Jeanblanc stated, "This acquisition enables IBI to strengthen its leadership role in the continuous feed laser printer business. The combined company is positioned as a leading supplier of a broad range of bar code printing products."

The Identification Business, a Division of DH Technology Inc., will remain located near St. Louis. This address is:

The Identification Business,
A Division of DH Technology Inc. 225 Chesterfield Industrial Blvd.
Chesterfield, MO 63005 Phone: 314-537-8400; fax: 314-537-8535 DH Technology is a leading independent supplier of technologically advanced high performance printheads, printer mechanisms and specialty printers. DH Technology's products are utilized by the lottery, labelling, ticketing, office automation, gasoline vending and specialty printing industries.

For additional information contact M. Dean Gilliam, chief financial officer, DH Technology Inc., 15070 Avenue of Science, San Diego, CA 92128, 619-451-3485.

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HARTFORD, CONN. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Connecticut Mutual, one of the nation's larger life insurance and financial services companies, announced today a three-year contract with MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) valued at $3.75 million for telecommunications services.

Connecticut Mutual selected MCI's Vnet, or virtual private network product, to connect 60 of its U.S. offices to its campus environment in Hartford for all voice traffic. The company has dubbed its new network the "Blue Chip Network." As part of Vnet, MCI is providing Connecticut Mutual employees with custom calling cards, "the Blue Chip Network Card," to make business calls using Vnet when out of the office.

In addition, MCI will provide Connecticut Mutual with its 800 service for agents to call the home offices in Hartford. Connecticut Mutual will take advantage of MCI's Vnet location level billing and MCI's 800 service call detail for cost accountability at the home office and general agent levels.

"MCI's Vnet offers our company an array of new features and benefits such as better network management, faster network access and greater cost control for our home and general agent offices," said Ronald Baker, vice president of architecture and operations for Connecticut Mutual. "By going with MCI we expect to realize cost savings of 15 percent," added Baker.

"Vnet is ideally suited for a company like Connecticut Mutual which must support field offices around the country with quick and reliable access to information from the home office and at a reasonable cost," said Jonathan Crane, president of MCI's Northeast Division.

Connecticut Mutual, founded in 1846, is one of the nation's oldest life insurance companies. The company has over 1 million policy holders and nearly 2,000 employees in Hartford.

MCI Communications Corporation, the nation's second largest long distance telecommunications company, is headquartered in Washington. MCI reported 1989 revenue of approximately $6.5 billion.

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#90317p6105 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - National Westminster Bancorp (NatWest Bancorp), a New York-based superregional bank holding company, announced today a three-year $9 million contract with MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) for global telecommunications services.

NatWest Bancorp selected MCI's Vnet (or virtual private network) to handle the majority of its domestic and international voice and data traffic for its 300 banking locations and 250 automated teller machines (ATMs) in New York and New Jersey.

"As we have grown the last few years, both internally and through acquisitions we realized the need for a sophisticated service like MCI's Vnet," said Patricia Ryan, vice president of telecommunications for NatWest Bancorp. "MCI's Vnet gives us the flexibility we need to quickly add new locations, respond to changes in network traffic and provide our subsidiaries with detailed billing information."

In August 1989 NatWest purchased First National Bank of Central Jersey, adding 35 bank branches to its New Jersey-based subsidiary.

Under the terms of the agreement with MCI, NatWest Bancorp will also use Vnet's custom billing package for location level billing and its advanced network management features for network configuration, management and reporting. In addition, NatWest is using MCI's 800 service for "bank-by-phone" service for out-of-state customers and its Visa card customer service.

"Vnet provides NatWest with the framework to quickly add new locations to its network as well as new features that will enhance communication services between its customers and internal offices," added Jonathan Crane, president of MCI's Northeast Division.

MCI's Northeast Division, based in Rye Brook, N.Y., is one of seven divisions for MCI Communications Corporation. MCI, the nation's second largest long distance telecommunications company, reported 1989 revenue of approximately $6.5 billion.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - New York Life Insurance Company today announced it has awarded MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC), a three-year $18 million dollar contract to provide telecommunications service to its company and agent locations.

New York Life will use MCI's Vnet (or virtual private network product) to connect its 300 company locations and as many as 4,500 detached agents throughout the U.S. MCI will carry an estimated 90 percent of New York Life's

voice traffic, including future 800 service applications.

"We are pleased to be switching to MCI's Vnet for long distance telephone service," said Carol Springsteen, assistant vice president of telecommunications for New York Life. "MCI's virtual private network provides the architecture for us to roll out new network features that will give our customers and agents improved cost-effective access to company and product information. In addition, by combining all the traffic under this new contract with MCI, we can pass significant annual savings on to our agents and offices."

Considered an industry leader in effectively using telecommunications as a management tool, New York Life uses MCI's Digital Reconfiguration Service (DRS) to manage its network in case of outage or disaster. The company has high speed circuits between regional nodes in the United States that connect to its Clinton, N.J., data center. Additionally, thousands of its agents are connected to these regional nodes through modems.

"For MCI, it is exciting to be teamed up with a truly leading-edge user of technology," commented Jonathan Crane, president of MCI's Northeast Division. "We in essence have become a partner with New York Life in helping them take full advantage of the latest telecommunications services and technology."

New York Life, one of the largest insurance companies in the United States, and its affiliates offer traditional life insurance products as well as a variety of financial services, including mutual funds, partnership investments annuities and pensions, and managed health care.

MCI Communications Corporation owns and operates the world's second largest communications network, employing advanced fiber optics, digital microwave, satellite and digital switching technologies. MCI Northeast, based in Rye Brook, N.Y., is one of seven MCI regional divisions based in the United States.

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#90317p6112 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Limited, Inc. (NYSE/LSE/TSE: LTD) announced today that third quarter earnings per share were $.23, unchanged from last year. Net income of $84.917 million, was virtually unchanged from last year's $84.869 million. Net sales increased 12 percent to $1.248 billion from $1.110 billion.

Leslie H. Wexner, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Our sales for the third quarter were not as strong as planned due in part to the economic

environment, consumer uncertainty and our merchandise offering. At the same time, we demonstrated our ability to control inventories and expenses to plan without compromising customer service.

"Three divisions produced outstanding results and deserve recognition: "Cynthia Fedus and the Victoria's Secret Catalgue associates again led the business in operating income as a percent of sales.

"Victoria's Secret Stores associates led by Howard Gross produced significant store for store gains and record third quarter earnings.

"Cheryl Nido Turpin and the Lane Bryant associates produced their third successive quarterly gain in sales, margins and net income."

Wexner concluded, "My view, held since the start of 1990, remains unchanged: 'this is a time of economic uncertainty,' and lack of consumer confidence. I am, however, cautiously optimistic about our sales and earnings outlook for the fourth quarter."

The Limited, Inc., through Lerner New York, Limited Stores, Lane Bryant, Express, Victoria's Secret, Structure, Limited Too, Abercrombie & Fitch, Cacique, Henri Bendel, Victoria's Secret Bath Shops, Bath and Body Works and Penhaligon's, presently operates 3,776 specialty stores and distributes apparel nationally through the Victoria's Secret, Lerner Direct, Lane Bryant Direct and Roaman's catalogues. CONTACT: Alfred S. Dietzel of The Limited, Inc., 614-479-7070

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#90317p6113 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

POMONA, NY (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Barr Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: BRL), today released financial results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990:

Net sales in the first fiscal quarter of 1990 were $18,785,000 as compared to $15,166,000 for the comparable quarter last year, a 24 percent increase. Net earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $348,000 or $.05 per share as compared to a net (loss) of ($792,000) or ($.10) per share for the comparable quarter last year. The major reasons for the return to profitability are the increased sales volume, an improved product mix which has yielded greater gross margins, and the effects of certain cost reduction programs.

Barr Laboratories is a prime manufacturer of a broad range of multisource pharmaceutical products with manufacturing facilities located in both Northvale, N.J., and Pomona.

BARR LABORATORIES, INC., AND SUBSIDIARIES
(Consolidated, Unaudited)

(Thousands of dollars except per share amounts)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$18,785	$15,166
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of sales	12,961	12,005
Distribution	699	641
Marketing and sales	1,189	943
Research and development	1,215	967
General and administrative	1,704	1,184
Interest expense, net	466	547
Other (income)/expense, net	(1)	79
Earnings/(loss) before inc. taxes	552	(1,200)
Income tax provision/(benefit)	204	(408)
Net earnings/(loss)	$ 348	$ (792)
Net earns./(loss) per com. share	$ 0.05	$ (0.10)
Weighted average number of common share equivalents	7,606,982	7,593,264

CONTACT: Louis J. Guerci, vice president-finance of Barr Laboratories, 914-362-1100

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MENLO PARK, CA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Mediagenic (NASDAQ-NMS: MGNC) today reported revenues of $8.7 million for the second fiscal quarter, ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 48 percent decrease in sales from $16.8 million in the same quarter of the last fiscal year. Constrained by limited cash resources, the company incurred a net loss of $4.3 million, or $1.02 per share. This compares to a net loss of $1.9 million, or $.46 per share for the corresponding quarter of last year.

Bruce Davis, chairman and chief executive officer of Mediagenic, explains, "We had a very tough summer, coping with a substantial reduction in bank credit and adverse publicity concerning a patent infringement judgment against the company. These events caused some customers to doubt our viability, leading to reduced sales, abnormally high stock-balancing returns and employee turnover, and some disruption of supply. General weakening of the economy and financial markets aggravated these problems."

Mediagenic is continuing its efforts to get back to stable and profitable operations. For example, the company persuaded Philips to delay until January 1992 the implementation of an agreement reached in June which required that Mediagenic pay $6.6 million in patent damages by making monthly payments of $150,000 for 42 months, followed by a balloon payment. Also, the company announced an agreement in principle with a group led by EGL Holdings to sell the assets and certain identified liabilities of ZSoft Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Mediagenic, for approximately $3.8 million in cash. Under the

terms of the preliminary agreement, Mediagenic will continue to manufacture and distribute ZSoft products for a period to be negotiated. Mediagenic and EGL Holdings anticipate completing the transaction by the end of November. Finally, the company recently cut non-ZSoft staff by approximately 25 percent and made other budget reductions as a part of its effort to lower spending over the course of the next two quarters to a level that can be funded by cash flow from continuing operations.

Mediagenic is an international developer and publisher of entertainment software for IBM-compatible computers and Nintendo video game systems, headquartered in Menlo Park. The company publishes its cartridge, floppy disk and CD-ROM titles under the Activision, Electric Dreams and Infocom brands and serves as an exclusive distributor for products from Absolute Entertainment and Interplay Productions.

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PITTSFORD, NY (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Random House Electronic Encyclopedia from SelecTronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: SELE) has been cited by the editors of Popular Science as one of the 1990s outstanding technological achievements in the annual "Best of What's New" special awards section of the December issue.

The Random House Electronic Encyclopedia, a 12 ounce, hand-held unit, contains more than 8 megabytes of information in over 20,000 entries, fully indexed and searchable by any word or subject in the text. The unit will accept a variety of ROM-based (read-only memory) cartridges including dictionaries and other reference materials, organizers and language translators, as well as cartridges that increase memory capacity.

"The Random House Electronic Encyclopedia combines the excitement of Nintendo with the power of knowledge. The very features which make it an indispensable reference device for the executive's briefcase also make it an appealing tool for students who, instead of shooting turtles, can instantly tap into an extraordinary wealth of information," said Mike Weiner, chairman and CEO of SelecTronics.

The Random House Electronic Encyclopedia will be available in early 1991 in department stores and specialty shops worldwide, as well as through catalog retailers and direct-mail merchandisers for a suggested list price of $350.

The Random House Electronic Encyclopedia by SelecTronics is being shown at Popular Science's 1990 "Best of What's New" Exhibition today at New York's Tavern on the Green and will be featured on the CNBC (Consumer News and Business Channel) prime-time cable special devoted to the "Best of What's New"

on Sunday, Nov. 18, at 8 p.m., EST, with a repeat telecast at 1 a.m.

SelecTronics' line of personal hand-held electronic publishing products includes the Electronic Bible; the Berlitz EuroTraveller; the Berlitz Interpreter; the popular WordFinder 220 spelling checker and thesaurus; the WordFinder 224 and 225 which add definitions to the speller and thesaurus; European language versions of the WordFinder 20; and the DataStor series of databanks. SelecTronics' products utilize powerful compression technology developed by Xerox Corporation's Palo Alto Research Center (PARC). Xerox owns 30 percent of SelecTronics.

CONTACT: Mike Weiner, chairman and CEO of SelecTronics, 716-248-3875, or Gary Fishman of Reynolds Associates, 212-661-1830, or Connie Connors of Connors Communications, 212-431-9300, both for SelecTronics

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#90317p6122 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Home Depot Inc. (NYSE: HD), the nation's largest home center retailer, today reported that net earnings increased 41 percent, to a record $36,096,000 ($.30 per share), for the third quarter of fiscal 1990, the 13 weeks ended Oct. 28, 1990, compared to $25,640,000 ($.22 per share), which the company earned during the comparable period of fiscal 1989.

Sales for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 rose 34 percent to a record $936,612,000, compared to sales of $699,740,000 for the third quarter of fiscal 1989.

On a comparable store-for-store basis, sales were up 8 percent for the quarter and 11 percent during the first nine months of fiscal 1990.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1990, net earnings rose 48 percent to $121,952,000 ($1.01 per share) from $82,369,000 ($.70 per share) during the comparable period of 1989. Sales through the first nine months of fiscal 1990 rose 37 percent, to $2,807,814,000, compared to $2,045,286,000 during the comparable 1989 period.

All per-share data reflect adjustments for the three-for-two stock split that was effected in June 1990.

During the fiscal 1990 third quarter, weighted average weekly store sales rose 10 percent, customer transactions rose 29 percent, and the average customer sale rose 4 percent, compared to the third quarter of fiscal 1989. For the first nine months of fiscal 1990, weighted average weekly store sales rose 12 percent, customer transactions increased by 32 percent, and the average customer sale increased by 4 percent, compared to the same period of the previous year.

Annualized inventory turnover for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 was 6.1, compared to 6.0 during the comparable 1989 period.

Sales and earnings for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 were generated from 132 stores, compared to 107 stores that were operating at the end of the third quarter of fiscal 1989. Of the seven stores (one of which is considered not "new," but a relocation of an existing store) opened during the third quarter of fiscal 1990, three are located in Florida, two are in metropolitan Atlanta, one is in Connecticut and another is in southern California. During the fourth quarter, the company plans to open approximately 13 additional stores.

Atlanta-based Home Depot operates warehouse-style stores in 30 markets in 12 states. The stores, ranging in size from 67,000 to 140,000 square feet, stock an average of approximately 30,000 different kinds of building materials, home improvement and lawn and garden products which are sold primarily to the do-it-yourselfers and professional tradesmen. Founded in 1978, the company is widely regarded as one of America's leading retailers and is the largest home center retailer in the nation. Its stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "HD," and is included in the Standard & Poors 500 index.

CONTACT: Ronald M. Brill, senior vice president - chief financial officer, 404-431-2727 or Lonnie Fogel, 404-431-2666, both of The Home Depot

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - CS First Boston, Inc., today announced that its board had approved the sale of an additional $300 million of its equity to CS Holding. When completed, this investment will raise CS Holding's ownership interest in CS First Boston from 44.5 percent to approximately 60 percent. CS First Boston's other institutional investors may also increase their investments in the firm.

Rainer E. Gut, chairman of CS Holding, said, "The present situations in the world's securities markets and in the Persian Gulf are difficult tests for any investment bank. We want to be certain that the depth of our commitment to CS First Boston is clear and that the strength of our investment banking affiliate is beyond question."

An integral part of the restructuring plan is the creation of a separate, special purpose limited partnership containing all of CS First Boston's bridge loans except those to Federated Department Stores and Jerrico, Inc. and including other of the firm's equity securities investments. In exchange for contributing these investments to the new limited partnership, CS First Boston will receive an interest in the partnership and approximately $425 million in cash. When the bridge loan vehicle is completed, the firm's net bridge loan

exposure will be approximately $377 million.

The boards of CS First Boston and CS Holding have both approved the increased ownership by CS Holding and the bridge vehicle transaction. In addition, CS Holding has received the necessary confirmation from the board of governors of the U.S. Federal Reserve System for both of these transactions. Completion of the transactions requires the successful conclusion of other events including final documentation and the approvals of other regulatory agencies and the shareholders of CS First Boston, Inc. These approvals are expected shortly.

As part of the restructuring, the current board of directors of CS First Boston, Inc. will be expanded from five members to ten. The new members will be nominated by CS Holding and will be elected at the closing.

CS First Boston is a full-service international investment banking firm serving both suppliers and users of capital around the world. Through its wholly owned subsidiaries, CS First Boston provides comprehensive financial advisory services, develops innovative financial structures and strategies for public and private institutions, and trades and underwrites securities.

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ROCKVILLE, MD (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Diagnon Corporation (DIGN) of Rockville has been awarded a four year contract totalling $3,600,000 (year one at $848,000) to support the National Institute of Mental Health's program for the study of infant and juvenile AIDS/AIDS dementia complex in the SIV-infected rhesus macaque model for HIV infection in humans. This contract adds to Diagnon's base contract business in the field of AIDS.

Diagnon Corporation, a Rockville-based biotechnology firm, provides developmental, applied and basic research and service to the U.S. government through grants and contracts.

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RICHMOND, VA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Circuit City Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CC) said today that the Financial Accounting Standards Board ruled last week that all companies must follow the full deferral method rather than a partial revenue recognition method when accounting for the sale of extended service plans.

"Our preliminary estimates indicate that if the company adopts the change during the current fiscal year, net earnings per share for fiscal year 1991 would be reduced by approximately $1.40, including a cumulative adjustment as of March 1, 1990, of approximately $1.15 and an estimated impact on the current year operations of approximately $.25," said Richard L. Sharp, Circuit City's president and chief executive officer. "These estimates are based on the limited information currently available from the FASB regarding implementation of the change."

Circuit City Stores, Inc. is the nation's largest specialty retailer of brand-name consumer electronics and major appliances. With headquarters in Richmond, Va., it operates 146 Superstores, 15 Circuit City stores and eight Impulse mall stores in the eastern, midwestern and western United States.

CONTACT: Gloria Wood of Circuit City Stores, Inc., 804-527-4058.

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NORTH PALM BEACH, FL (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - FPL Group, Inc. (NYSE: FPL), holding company for Florida Power & Light Company, today said it was exploring the possible sale of its citrus subsidiary, Turner Foods Corporation. FPL Group plans to retain an investment banking firm to assist in this effort.

Turner is one of the largest citrus growers in Florida with over 20,000 acres of citrus property. More than half of this acreage is currently in production. The balance, which has been planted, will come into production over the next five years. All of Turner's groves are located below Florida's so-called "freeze belt."

Turner's other operations include the largest citrus tree nursery in the state and an engineering firm that provides state-of-the-art grove engineering and grove management for third parties. Turner also operates a real estate brokerage firm specializing in citrus properties and a fish farm that produces talapia and striped bass in a controlled environment for sale to the wholesale and retail food market.

"Turner is a very successful company that is well managed and well positioned in the citrus industry," said James L. Broadhead, chairman and chief executive officer of FPL Group. He went on to say that if it is determined that this is an inappropriate time to sell Turner, FPL Group would wait until market conditions improved.

CONTACT: Tony Bruns of FPL Group, Inc., 407-694-6393

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Oil Co. announced today that participating service stations in Florida will begin accepting used motor oil from consumers beginning Dec. 11.

On that date, Amoco will run ads in Florida's major metropolitan newspapers listing drop-off locations.

"Recycling used motor oil is a way for Amoco Oil Company and Amoco dealers to improve the environment," said Jim Robbins, Amoco's Fort Lauderdale district manager. "We hope our participation in motor oil recycling in Florida will help broaden consumer acceptance."

All of the locations will be full-facility outlets that have the equipment necessary to store the used oil. Each facility will have a "Used Motor Oil Recycling Center" sign posted in the window.

"No purchase is required to drop off used motor oil at these stations," Robbins said. Motorists should drop off no more than five gallons per visit, and the used oil must be in capped containers.

Robbins estimated that about 600 million gallons of used oil are generated each year in the United States -- enough to produce electricity for 900,000 homes annually. About two-thirds of the used oil is generated by do-it-yourself oil changers, some of whom dispose of it improperly.

"Some people put oil in their garbage, pour it into drains and sewers, and some even pour it directly on the ground," said Robbins. "By providing convenient locations for proper disposal and helping consumers become aware that improperly disposed used oil causes environmental damage, Amoco and Amoco dealers believe we can help solve a problem."

Amoco's motor oil recycling program is part of the company's ongoing effort to examine its products and processes as they relate to the environment.

Amoco Oil Co. is the refining, marketing, and transportation subsidiary of Amoco Corp.

CONTACT: William L. Huntington or Richard K. Judy of Amoco Corp., 404-512-6850.

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NASHUA, NH (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - NFS Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: NFSF) has announced that it will not pay a dividend for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

James H. Adams, president/CEO said, "Our strong capital position permitted us

to maintain a dividend payout for the first two quarters of 1990. However, the area economy continues to be quite weak, and the unfavorable trend in loan delinquencies and property foreclosures continues. Clearly, the depth of the economic downturn is still not established. As a result, the board of directors omitted the dividend this quarter to preserve capital. This action will help assure our ability to cope with possible losses and come through these poor economic times."

NFS paid a dividend of 7 cents per share for the first two quarters of 1990.

The bank holding company said it will review its dividend poicy on a quarterly basis.

CONTACT: David A. Sobe or Albert R. Rietheimer of NFS Financial, 603-880-2011

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ST. PAUL, MN (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - HealthEast, a St. Paul- based provider of family and acute care health services, today reported $3.2 million in net income for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990, a dramatic improvement over losses of more than $21.1 million in fiscal 1989.

For its 1990 fiscal year, HealthEast had operating revenues of $233 million, up 10.7 percent from operating revenues of $211 million for 1989. Operating income for fiscal year 1990 was $2.6 million, versus a loss of $18.0 million in 1989.

The improved financial performance will enable HealthEast to upgrade technology, improve facilities and expand programs in the future, Hanson said. In addition, HealthEast is increasing its cash reserves, which on Aug. 31 stood at $32 million, versus $6.3 million a year earlier. The organization's goal is to achieve and maintain reserves equivalent to between 55 and 66 days of operating expenses, the level maintained by hospitals with credit ratings of A or better, which requires an additional $1.3 to $8.2 million.

HealthEast attributed 1990's dramatic financial turnaround to both higher revenues and cost controls. Net revenues grew 10.8 percent, while costs per day increased just less than 1.0 percent.

The fiscal 1990 results returned HealthEast to full compliance with debt service requirements covering $139 million in hospital facility revenue bonds issued in December 1987.

At the end of the 1990 fiscal year, HealthEast had achieved a debt service coverage ratio of 1.61, significantly better than the 1.1 ratio required by its bond covenants and a full point better than the 0.61 ratio that existed at the end of fiscal 1989. This ratio is a measure of net income available for

debt service.

HealthEast's 1991-93 strategic plan includes several measures which Hanson said are designed to strengthen the organization's financial base and assure quality care. These include adhering to and expanding the commitment to cost-effectively manage quality at every level of the organization; working in partnership with physicians to meet the healthcare industry challenges of the 1990s; and ensuring that all business and operating units perform on at least a breakeven basis.

HealthEast provides a full spectrum of traditional family health services through its hospitals, Bethesda Lutheran, Divine Redeemer, Midway, St. John's and St. Joseph's; long-term care centers; home care; medical equipment; a physician referral/information line; medical transportation; and housing options for seniors. It is the largest network of health care services in the East Metro area.

CONTACT: Roger Green of HealthEast, 612-221-2520.

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Fabri-Centers of America, Inc. (NYSE: FCA) today said continued strong business levels led to record sales for both the third quarter and first nine months of the fiscal year.

Net sales in the quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990 totaled $96,233,000, or 12 percent above the $85,930,000 recorded a year earlier. Net income in the quarter was $2,962,000, or 56 cents per share, compared to $2,785,000, or 54 cents per share last year.

Through nine months, sales of $252,228,000 were 11 percent above the $227,388,000 for the prior year. The net income of $2,432,000, or 46 cents per share, was 18 percent better than the prior year net income of $2,058,000, or 40 cents per share.

Fabri-Centers said that its shift to larger stores in destination oriented strip shopping centers continues to produce favorable sales results. To date, the company has 182 new larger prototype stores, or 30 percent of the store base. In addition, its Cargo Express housewares business unit has opened 10 stores predominantly in the Detroit metropolitan market.

In spite of the substantial investment spending associated with its growth strategy, the company remains optimistic about the all important fourth quarter and anticipates that the full year results will be sharply improved over the prior year.

Fabri-Centers operates 617 fabric stores in 35 states and 25 Cargo Express

houseware stores.

CONTACT: Robert Norton or Alan Rosskamm, 216-656-2600, both of Fabri-Centers of America, Inc.

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SMITHFIELD, VA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph W. Luter III, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Smithfield Foods, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SFDS), today announced that the company had net income of $5,180,000, or 72 cents per share, in the second quarter of fiscal 1991 up from net income of $1,131,000, or 15 cents per share, in the same quarter of fiscal 1990.

The company had net income of $7,246,000, or $1.01 per share, in the first six months of fiscal 1991 compared to a loss of $427,000, or 6 cents per share, in the corresponding six-month period a year ago.

The net income per share figure for the second quarter and first six months of fiscal 1991 were computed on 4.1 percent and 4.9 percent fewer shares outstanding, respectively, than were the respective net income and net loss figures in the corresponding periods of the prior fiscal year.

Dollar sales in this fiscal year's second quarter increased to $265,721,000 from $214,380,000 in the same quarter of fiscal 1990. Dollar sales in the first six months of fiscal 1991 were $501,785,000, up from $386,268,000, in the corresponding period a year ago. The increase in sales in both the second quarter and first six months of the current fiscal year were attributable to sharply higher unit selling prices for the company's products due to higher raw material costs and to increases in unit sales volume.

"The substantial increase in net income in the second quarter of the current fiscal year reflected sharply improved margins on both fresh and processed meats, aided by a significant decrease in raw material costs resulting from the company's joint hog production arrangements," Luter stated.

"We are anticipating a strong third quarter, and if present trends continue, a record year in fiscal 1991," Luter said.

SMITHFIELD FOODS, INC.
Summary Statements of Income
(Unaudited)
(Dollars in thousands except per share data)

	Thirteen Weeks Ended		Twenty-Six Weeks Ended	
	Oct. 28, 1990	Oct. 29, 1989	Oct. 28, 1990	Oct. 29, 1989
Net Sales	$265,721	$214,380	$501,785	$386,268
Income (Loss) Before				

Income Taxes	8,138	1,813	11,259	(700)
Income Taxes (Credit)	2,958	682	4,013	(273)
Net Income (Loss)	5,180	1,131	7,246	(427)
Net Income (Loss) Per Share	.72	.15	1.01	(.06)
Average Shares Outstanding (thousands)	7,114	7,416	7,148	7,514

CONTACT: Aaron Trub of Smithfield Foods, Inc., 202-223-4224

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR), Cincinnati, today announced that it has obtained an extension until Nov. 19, 1990, of payments due holders of certain notes and warrants and of its commitment to its senior lenders to raise $15 million of equity as discussions continue to restructure the company's obligations to those parties. Jacor does not expect to satisfy the equity requirement by Nov. 19 and will be seeking a further extension or elimination of such provision. There can be no assurance that a further extension or elimination will be granted.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

CONTACT: R. Christopher Weber or Jon M. Berry, 513-621-1300, both of Jacor Communications, Inc.

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#90317p6147 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELMSFORD, NY (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Clinical Technologies Associates, Inc. (CTA) (NASDAQ: CTAI, CTAIW) today announced its audited results for the fiscal year ending July 31, 1990. The company reported revenues of $870,155, versus $1,485,608 for fiscal year 1989. Net loss for fiscal 1990 was $1,811,230, or $.59 per share, compared to a fiscal year 1989 net loss of $486,333, or $.20 per share.

At July 31, 1990, CTA had cash and short-term investments of $2,115,491, and stockholders' equity of $1,327,649.

CTA's President and CEO, Michael Goldberg, M.D., attributed the company's increased losses to expenses associated with intensified development efforts of its proprietary oral delivery system.

Clinical Technologies Associates, Inc. is a publicly held biopharmaceutical company dedicated to the development of proprietary technologies for the benefit of human healthcare and scientific research. The company is currently focused on commercializing its patented oral delivery system which effectively surmounts the obstacles associated with the oral administration of many therapeutic agents. CTA also performs clinical studies on a contract basis for pharmaceutical companies seeking approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to market new drugs in the United States.

CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOCIATES, INC.
Statements of Operations

Year Ended July 31	1988	1989	1990
Revenues:			
Clinical testing services	$1,185,878	$ 485,608	$ 656,822
Research & development contracts	50,000	1,000,000	213,333
Total	1,235,878	1,485,608	870,155
Costs and expenses:			
Direct costs of clinical testing services	736,598	415,010	612,438
General, administrative and selling expenses	572,517	804,311	1,580,671
Research & development costs	260,593	458,376	506,720
Depreciation and amortization	45,522	46,746	90,955
Total operating expenses	1,615,230	1,724,443	2,790,784
Operating loss	(379,352)	(238,835)	(1,920,629)
Other income (expenses):			
Interest expense	(48,025)	(325,157)	(66,142)
Interest income	1,993	59,582	164,698
Dividend income	--	18,077	10,843
Total other income (exps.)	(46,032)	(247,498)	109,399
Net loss	(425,384)	(486,333)	(1,811,230)
Net loss per share	$(.19)	$(.20)	$(.59)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	2,187,450	2,525,154	3,052,730

CONTACT: Michael Goldberg, president and CEO of Clinical Technologies Associates, 914-347-2220, or Lisa Burns or Burns McClellan, 212-505-1919, for Clinical Technologies Associates.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - President Bush today presented the National Medal of Technology to Du Pont (NYSE: DD) for the company's

pioneering role in the development and commercialization of man-made polymers over the last half century.

Du Pont is only the second company to receive the presidential medal, which was established by Congress in 1980 to recognize outstanding contributions which have improved the well-being of the United States through the promotion of technology or technological manpower. The first industry recipient was AT&T Bell Laboratories in 1985. Most recipients are individuals.

The citation states that the National Medal of Technology was presented to Du Pont "for pioneering the development and commercialization of high-performance man-made polymers such as nylon, neoprene synthetic rubber, 'Teflon' fluorocarbon resin and a broad spectrum of new fibers, films and engineering plastics which have strengthened America's global competitiveness and benefited mankind."

Beginning with a small fundamental research program in 1927, Du Pont scientists capped a decade of stunning research successes with the discovery of those polymers.

These were among the first man-made polymers with properties superior to the then-prevalent "semi-synthetic" materials such as cellophane and rayon which, derived from the natural polymer cellulose, had limited performance characteristics.

Du Pont today offers some 30,000 polymer products or formulations to more than 50,000 customers worldwide and is the leading producer of half of the 30 most significant polymer types.

Du Pont, headquartered in Wilmington, Del., is a diversified, global company with 1989 sales of $35.5 billion and earnings of $2.48 billion.

CONTACT: John L. Stowell of Du Pont, 302-774-8142

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NEWMARKET, NH (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Vitronics Corporation (AMEX: VTC) announced its operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Sales for the three months ended Sept. 29, 1990 were $4,531,000 versus $5,112,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income was $234,000 for the quarter compared to $209,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share were 6 cents compared to 5 cents for the same period in 1989.

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990 were $13,535,000 versus $15,351,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income was $458,000 for the nine

months compared to $444,000 for the comparable period in 1989. Earnings per share were 12 cents versus 11 cents for the same period in 1989.

Bookings for the three months ended Sept. 29, 1990 were $4,811,000 versus $5,057,000 for the comparable period in 1989. Bookings for the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990 were $13,475,000 versus $15,264,000 for the same period in 1989. The backlog as of Sept. 29, 1990 was $3,833,000 as compared to our backlog of $4,057,000 as of Sept. 30, 1989 and $3,552,000 as of June 30, 1990.

James J. Manfield, Jr., president of Vitronics Corporation said, "We are very pleased with our bottom line performance in a year of unsettled economic conditions affecting the industry. We continue to make technical improvements in our equipment and have received orders in the third quarter 1990 for our semi aqueous cleaning equipment. These orders have been received from various world market areas and we continue to feel optimistic about our semi aqueous cleaning business."

Vitronics Corporation is an innovative supplier of state-of-the- art thermal processing and associated equipment. Vitronics(R) equipment is primarily aimed at the huge electronics industry and has achieved considerable technical recognition in the production of printed circuit boards. The company also supplies equipment to the medical, chemical, pharmaceutical, plastics, graphics and textile industries. Vitronics' customer list includes all 20 of the largest electronics companies with IBM, AT&T, Hewlett Packard, Delco Electronics, Chrysler, Compaq Computer and Motorola among the grouping.

CONTACT: Lise Waitt of Vitronics Corporation, 603-659-6550

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OMAHA, NE (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - America First Participating/Preferred Equity Mortgage Fund (NASDAQ: AFPFZ) announced today that, as previously expected, it has received $1,947,528, which represents the remaining proceeds resulting from the collection of HUD mortgage insurance on Casa Sandoval, located in Hayward, Calif.

As previously announced, these proceeds will be placed in the Fund's reserve account and may be used to buy back up to 100,000 units of the Fund from time to time on the OTC market, and to purchase additional GNMA securities and other short-term investments for the Fund.

CONTACT: Maurice Cox of America First, 402-444-1630

-30- 831

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CHARLOTTE, NC (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Carolina First Bancshares Inc.,

Lincolnton, N.C., has ended its discussions with Cabarrus Savings Bank Inc., Concord, N.C., with respect to a possible acquisition of Cabarrus Savings pursuant to a non-binding letter of intent dated July 31.

Mark Boyd, chairman of Carolina First, stated: "We are disappointed that our discussions with Cabarrus Savings were not as productive as we had hoped. However, we remain interested in pursuing expansion opportunities in Cabarrus County and other markets."

Carolina First, a commercial bank holding company, is the parent company of Lincoln Bank. Lincoln Bank operates its main office and three branches in Lincolnton, together with six branches in Mooresville, Huntersville, Cornelius Triangle and Denver. It had total assets as of Sept. 30 of approximately $138 million, and shareholders' equity of $10.3 million.

Carolina First's common stock is traded in the Over-the-Counter market.

CONTACT: D. Mark Boyd III or James E. Burt III of Carolina First Bancshares, 704-732-2222

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#90317p6159 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHARDSON, TX (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - CONVEX Computer Corporation (NYSE: CNX) today announced that UniTree(TM) software, which extends the storage and retrieval options available to CONVEX customers with large data storage requirements, is now available on CONVEX C2 Series supercomputers. UniTree is a UNIX(TM)-based, hierarchical file and storage management system for networked, multi-vendor computing environments.

UniTree, originally developed at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and marketed and licensed by General Atomics of San Diego, Calif., is based on the IEEE Mass Storage Reference Model (MSRM) and conforms to the UNIX/POSIX file system specifications. UniTree features an object-oriented client-server configuration, which supports multiple file servers, separate data and control paths, and parallel I/O.

The UniTree software program provides storage service to large network environments including systems such as workstations, minicomputers, and supercomputers. The system relies on industry- standard network hardware and protocols, providing NFS(TM) and FTP service across Ethernet(TM), HYPERchannel(TM), and UltraNet(TM).

Within the UniTree system, user files are automatically migrated between magnetic disk, cartridge robot, and archival tape, allowing the user to select the best mixture of high performance and low cost storage for the application.

CONVEX provides a full range of high performance peripherals that are unique

in the open systems market, including high performance disk subsystems based on the IPI-2 interface standard, connection to high capacity and high performance tapes such as Digital Audio Tape (DAT), 9-track tapes and 3480 cartridges, and support for very large storage systems such as automated data libraries.

CONVEX Computer Corporation, a leading supplier of supercomputers worldwide, was founded in 1982 to design, manufacture, market and service high performance systems. The company markets its products primarily to scientific engineering and technical users throughout the world for a wide variety of applications in such areas as geophysical processing, computational chemistry, computer-aided engineering, image and signal processing, aerospace simulations and molecular biology. CONVEX has sold some 750 systems in 34 countries. The installed base now represents more that half a billion dollars of cumulative revenues from more than 400 customers worldwide. The systems are sold and serviced through direct sales and an extensive distribution network around the world.

CONTACT: Donna Burke, 214-497-4230, or Alison Peoples, 214-497-4226, both of CONVEX Computer

-30- 2865

#90317p6160 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Effective Jan. 1, 1991, Air Products and Chemicals Inc. (NYSE: APD) today announced higher prices for liquid and bulk oxygen, nitrogen, argon and hydrogen supplied to U.S. merchant and government accounts.

The unit price increases will range from 7 to 10 percent, depending upon the product. The monthly demand charge and delivery charges will remain at current levels. Prices on cylinder and specialty gases will also be increased. These changes are necessary to restore prices to levels which reflect the current costs of production and distribution, and to sustain adequate returns on investment.

In most areas of the country, unit prices for the largest volume users on the demand-based schedule will be increased to $0.34 per CSCF (hundred standard cubic feet) for oxygen and $0.31 per CSCF for nitrogen. The unit price portion of the schedules for oxygen and nitrogen customers in Arizona, California and Nevada will be $0.02 higher, reflecting the higher costs associated with serving these markets.

Nationwide, the monthly demand charge for these largest volume customers will remain at $1,850.

The surcharge implemented in October 1990 will remain in effect without change.

Air Products last increased nationwide merchant industrial gas price schedules in October 1989.

CONTACT: Kevin J. Ramundo of Air Products, 215-481-4346.

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DEERFIELD BEACH, FLA. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - CheckRobot Inc. (NASDAQ: CKRB) announced today that its controlling shareholder, OmniCorp International B.V., last week completed the purchase, contracted in May 1989, of the 1,800,000 common shares in CheckRobot originally owned by Sensormatic, but held in escrow under Blue Sky filing requirements until October 1990.

OmniCorp paid $7,875,000, equivalent to $4 3/8 a share, for the shares, against a current market price of $1 1/4.

Nigel Nicholson, a director of OmniCorp and CheckRobot said, "This was a contractual commitment with Sensormatic that we of course honored. Whilst the price we have paid is clearly well in excess of the current market price of CheckRobot's stock, we made the payment in the confident belief that the Company will become the dominant force in the automated checkout market."

CheckRobot manufactures and markets ACM(R) automated checkout machines for supermarkets. The systems are designed to improve customer service and profitability for the supermarket industry. Using enhanced laser bar code scanners and a proprietary merchandise security system, the ACM allows shoppers to quickly scan and checkout merchandise before paying centrally located cashiers.

CONTACT: Richard W. Honerkamp, vice president and chief financial officer of CheckRobot Inc., 305-426-1600

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#90317p6165 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROSEVILLE, MINN. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Mirror Technologies (NASDAQ: MIRR) reported today record sales for the second quarter of fiscal 1991. Net sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $2,515,545, reflecting a 140 percent increase over the same period in the previous year. Net earnings for the second quarter were $31,748 compared to a loss of $1,796 for the same period of 1989. For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had earnings of $128,826 on revenues of $5,243,553, compared to a loss of $71,055 on revenues of $1,965,523 for the same period last year. Revenues increased 167 percent from last year during the six-month period.

"We are pleased to maintain profitability and relatively strong sales despite July, August and September being traditionally slow sales months in the

computer industry," said Ronald E. Eibensteiner, president. "The above results include $40,000 of development expenses for the startup of Generation Systems, our Silicon Valley joint venture that began operations on Sept. 1."

During November the company began shipping the Mirror ProView, a 20- inch Trinitron color display system of the Macintosh computer. The Mirror ProView is priced at $2,997, which is 40 percent less than similar products offered by competitors.

Mirror Technologies, founded in 1985, assembles, markets and services peripheral products for Macintosh personal computers. Products include large screen monitors and a complete line of mass storage devices. Mirror's stock is publicly held and is traded on NASDAQ.

CONTACT: Ronald E. Eibensteiner of Mirror Technologies, 612-633-4450

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#90317p6168 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODBURY, N.Y. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Comverse Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: CMVT), announced today revenues of $4,053,000 and $11,528,000 for the three-month and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, representing increases of $341,000 (9 percent) and $1,958,000 (20 percent), respectively, over the corresponding periods of 1989 and the highest single-quarter and nine-month revenues in the company's history. Net income for the quarter and nine months amounted to $103,000 and $314,000, representing decreases of $152,000 (60 percent) and $91,000 (22 percent), respectively, from the corresponding prior year periods. Net income for each reporting period was less than 1 cent per share.

Kobi Alexander, president and chairman of the board, stated, "The results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, reflect the continued growth of the company's revenues, which have totaled approximately $14,704,000 for the last four quarters.

"The company's level of profitability," Alexander continued, "reflects substantial increases in our expenditures for research and development, marketing and related activities consistent with our operating plan for the year, which is directed at building the overall strength of our operations and expanding our domestic and international channels of distribution without compromising profitability and cash flow." Alexander added, "Our results for the year to date are on-target with our operating plan."

Comverse Technology, Inc., located in Woodbury, develops, manufactures and markets high performance computer systems for commercial and defense communications applications, including integrated multi-media message management systems marketed under the name of TRILOGUE.

CONTACT: Kobi Alexander, president and chairman, David Chuchinsky
or Brian Wiltshire of Comverse Technology, 516-921-0470

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CORTLAND, N.Y. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Marietta Corporation (NASDAQ: MRTA) announced today that it had repurchased an aggregate of 70,000 shares of its common stock, par value $.01 per share, in two block purchases yesterday at a price of $5.25 per share. Such purchases were made in accordance with the plan to repurchase stock announced by Marietta on Sept. 4, 1990. Marietta may repurchase such additional shares of its common stock at such prices and at such times as management may determine, up to a maximum of 10 percent of its outstanding shares of common stock.

Marietta Corporation specializes in the design, manufacture, packaging, marketing and distribution of guest amenity programs to the travel and lodging industry in the United States and abroad, and provides customized "sample-size" and "unit-of-use" packaging products and services to major consumer products companies in the toiletries, cosmetics and pharmaceutical industries.

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WOODBRIDGE, NJ (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - SMG-II Holdings Corporation announced today that is intends to commence shortly offers to purchase for cash up to $155,500,000 principal amount of Supermarkets General Holdings Corporation's 13-1/8 percent junior subordinated debentures due 2003 and up to 1,700,000 shares of Supermarkets' cumulative exchangeable redeemable preferred stock. SMG-II, a newly created corporation, is expected to become the holding company parent of Supermarkets pursuant to an exchange offer to holders of Supermarkets' common stock which is to commence concurrently with the other offers. Under the terms of the offers, SMG-II will pay 27 percent of the principal amount for each of the junior debentures tendered and $5.00 per share for each share of preferred stock tendered.

SMG-II is seeking to finance the offers by raising at least $80 million of equity through private placements of its convertible preferred stock with certain institutional investors, including The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States (and certain of its affiliates), Adler & Shaykin and certain funds affiliated with Merrill Lynch Capital Partners. Thus far, Equitable, a current stockholder of Supermarkets, and Adler & Shaykin, a new investor, have committed to purchase $30 million and $10 million of equity in SMG-II, respectively. The commitments are subject to certain conditions, including the execution of definitive purchase agreements. Upon completion of

the offers, SMG-II will transfer to Supermarkets as a capital contribution the junior debentures and preferred stock tendered to SMG-II in the offers (plus cash sufficient to pay associated taxes) resulting in the extinguishment of the indebtedness represented by the junior debentures tendered and cancellation of the preferred stock tendered. The offers are expected to produce a gain for financial reporting purposes resulting from the extinguishment of the junior debentures and the cancellation of the preferred stock tendered in the offers.

The offers will be subject to certain conditions, including (i) SMG-II having obtained sufficient financing to acquire the maximum amount of junior debentures and preferred stock tendered for by SMG-II and to pay related fees, expenses and other costs (including associated taxes), (ii) there being validly tendered and not withdrawn at least 98.5 percent of the common stock of Supermarkets pursuant to the concurrent offer to Supermarkets' common stockholders to exchange their common stock for common stock of SMG-II, and (iii) Supermarkets having entered into an agreement, acceptable to SMG-II, with Supermarkets' bank lenders amending certain financial covenants and obtaining a certain waiver under Supermarkets' bank credit agreement. In addition, the offer for the preferred stock will be conditioned upon at least 15 percent of the outstanding principal amount of the junior debentures being tendered into the offer for such junior debentures.

Merrill Lynch & Co., will be retained to act as dealer manager with respect to the offers.

Supermarkets, through its operating subsidiaries, is a diversified retailer primarily engaged in the operation of large supermarket- drugstores and is one of the ten largest supermarket retailers in the United States. Supermarkets' Pathmark supermarkets are located in the middle Atlantic states and its Purity Supreme supermarkets operate in the New England region. Supermarkets also operates Rickel Home Centers in the middle Atlantic states.

CONTACT: Harvey Gutman of SMG-II Holdings, 201-499-3203.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Aequitron Medical, Inc. (NASDAQ: AQTN) announced today that it has achieved record sales for the second consecutive quarter. Sales for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $7,012,600, up from sales of $6,731,700 for the second quarter of last year.

Net income for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 was $325,400, or $.07 per share, as compared to $329,900, or $.07 per share, for the same period one year ago.

For the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, Aequitron reported net income of

$712,000, or $.15 per share, as compared to a net income of $625,600, or $.13 per share, for the same period last year. Sales for the period were $13,895,900, up from net sales of $12,978,400 for the six months ended Oct. 31 1989.

Aequitron President and Chief Executive Officer Curtis J. Olson said, "We continue our commitment to product diversification and we are pleased with the sales in each of our major product lines. Sales of apnea-related products continued to be led by growth in unit sales of the company's line of memory monitors. Ventilator sales continued to increase and sales of the recently acquired line of oxygen concentrators also contributed to the record quarterly sales. In addition, Aequitron's Crow River Industries subsidiary experienced strong sales of its wheelchair lifts and automobile hand controls."

Initial manufacturing and marketing expenses of the recently acquired Silent Partner Oxygen Concentrator product line and the recently introduced Model 9101 Multi-channel Recording and Analysis System contributed to flat earnings for the quarter, according to Olson.

Olson added, "Since acquiring the Silent Partner, we have made several improvements to the product line. As a result, the Silent Partner is gaining acceptance in both the domestic and international marketplaces. In addition, while its sales levels and introduction expenses were in line with our expectations, we continue to research alternatives to improve the margin on this line."

Aequitron Medical, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets electronic products for home health care and hospital use; and wheelchair lifts and automobile hand controls for the mobility impaired. The company's common stock is traded on the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol AQTN.

CONTACT: David Neuger or Ed Neuger of Edwin Neuger & Associates, 612-333-6621; for Aequitron Medical

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BENTON, KY (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - It was announced today that the board of directors of Sun Up Foods, Inc. (Sun Up) has extended through Monday, July 1, 1991, the Class A warrants and Class B warrants of the company which were to have expired on Dec. 31, 1990. It was also disclosed that depending upon then prevailing circumstances, further extension of the warrants beyond July 1, 1991, would be considered by the board.

CONTACT: James V. Mays, president and chairman of Sun Up Foods, 502-527-2000, or Ron Como & Associates, 212-227-3010, for Sun Up Foods

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#90317p6176 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - After two years of intensive research and planning, the National PTA and GTE this week are launching a unique, comprehensive program to help parents prevent the use of alcohol and other drugs by their children.

Funded by a $1.4 million grant from the GTE Foundation, the program - "Common Sense: Strategies for Raising Alcohol & Drug-Free Children" - is offered free to the National PTA's units nationwide.

The program spotlights specific ways parents can minimize the risk that their children will become involved with alcohol or other drugs. Designed for use by PTAs and other groups to educate parents of children in grades 3-6, the program is contained in a kit that offers research-based information and easy-to-follow instructions, providing the resources to organize and conduct four interactive meetings.

The kit also contains parent brochures with tips on raising alcohol and drug-free children, and a 15-minute videotape that helps evaluate parent-child communications and aids program discussion.

"The time to deal with the problem of drug and alcohol use by children is before they first try them," said Ann Lynch, president of the National PTA. "It is our hope that, with this program, we can give every parent the tools needed to prevent their children from ever using drugs."

"GTE is proud to be launching this excellent program as partners with the National PTA," said James L. "Rocky" Johnson, GTE chairman and chief executive officer. "The research demonstrates the need for a program of this magnitude to attack the root causes of alcohol and other drug abuse among children.

"GTE is funding Common Sense because it cares about our children and, like the PTA, is concerned about this problem and its terrible effect on America's future. This is a national issue in which all of corporate America should become involved," he said.

A national advisory committee of educators, physicians and experts in alcohol and drug-abuse prevention helped develop the program. Common Sense combines several unique features, according to Lynch. It encourages coalition building in the community, seeks to educate parents early in their children's lives, and provides parents with positive parenting skills.

"We've based this program on current prevention research, which indicates actions taken by parents are the most influential factors in keeping children drug free," Lynch said.

CONTACT: Stacey Moore of the National PTA, (313) 787-0977; or Tony Hamilton,

(203) 965-2853, or after 5 p.m., (203) 327-2162, or Julia Spicer, (202) 463-5206, or after 5 p.m., (202) 797-0715, both of GTE.

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#90317p6178 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Carlton Communications Plc today announced that the Rt. Hon. the Lord Sharp of Grimsdyke, Kt., CBE, is joining the board as a non-executive director with effect from today. Lord Sharp was, until September, 1990, the chairman and chief executive of Cable and Wireless plc, a company whose pre-tax profits grew during the period of his chairmanship from 62 million pounds sterling in 1981 to $527 million pounds in 1990.

Michael Green, chairman of Carlton, said: "There can be no doubt that Eric Sharp's depth of knowledge and experience will be important in the further development of Carlton as an international media company. We are fortunate to gain the benefit of his considerable abilities."

CONTACT: Michael Green, Lord Sharp or Simon Case of Carlton Communications, 071-499-8050

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#90317p6179 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LITTLETON, CO (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Bingo King Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: BNGO) today reported that in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company earned net income of $1.1 million or 36 cents per share on pre-tax earnings of $2 million and sales of $28.7 million. This compares with net income of $677,000 or 22 cents per share on pre-tax earnings of $1.1 million and sales of $26 million for the like period of the prior year.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company earned net income of $388,000 or 12 cents per share on pre-tax earnings of $689,000 and quarter sales of $9.3 million. This compares with net income of $117,000 or 4 cents per share on pre-tax earnings of $193,000 and sales of $8.9 million for the like period of the prior year.

Leonard A. Stuart, chairman and chief executive officer of Bingo King, stated that he was "pleased with the strong performance of Bingo King during each of the first three quarters of 1990" and "confident that the program implemented in early 1990 to rejuvenate the company will continue to yield benefits during the remainder of 1990 and future years." Stuart indicated that the program was designed to improve sales, reduce selling, general and administrative expenses and reduce debt through improved cash flows. Stuart stated that the company had been successful in achieving all three goals.

Stuart re-emphasized the company's renewed commitment to the more profitable

wholesale side of its operations. Stuart noted that "efforts to dispose of the company's retail branches have been successful and are near completion" and emphasized that "no significant net gains or losses were recognized on the sales of these branches."

Stuart closed by stating that "Bingo King's leadership position in the industry is firmly established, and with our costs under control we expect that the future will bring solid earnings and positive cash flows."

Bingo King is the leading manufacturer of supplies and fund raising products associated with the game of bingo.

BINGO KING CO. INC.
Condensed Consolidated Summary of Income

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Net sales	$9,252,000	$8,856,000
Net income	$388,000	$117,000
Earnings per share	$.12	$.04
Average shares outstanding	3,343,000	3,129,000

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Net sales	$28,690,000	$25,952,000
Net income	$1,144,000	$677,000
Earnings per share	$.36	$.22
Average shares outstanding	3,159,000	3,070,000

-- Unaudited and subject to year-end adjustments.

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Assets		
Current assets	$10,646,000	$11,965,000
Property, plant & equipment-net	7,269,000	7,572,000
Other assets	2,959,000	2,114,000
Total	$20,874,000	$21,651,000
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current liabilities	$8,720,000	$9,756,000
Long-term debt (less current portion)	2,334,000	3,224,000
Other liabilities	1,137,000	1,120,000
Stockholders' equity	8,683,000	7,551,000
Total	$20,874,000	$21,651,000

-- Unaudited and subject to year-end adjustments.

CONTACT: Richard H. Ellison of Bingo King Co. Inc., 303-795-2625

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#90317p6180 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - HRE Properties (NYSE: HRE) announced today that it has sold two stores leased to K Mart Corporation for approximately $4.7 million in cash, and will report a capital gain of about $1.1 million or 20 cents per share in the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Charles J. Urstadt, chairman and chief executive officer of HRE, commented, "The sales of the California and Michigan properties were another step in the trust's strategic plan of selling targeted properties and concentrating new investments in the Eastern U.S." He added, "We're actively looking for properties and expect the depressed condition of the real estate market to make good opportunities available to the trust."

The properties were purchased by HRE in 1972. The K Mart leases commenced in 1976, and including renewal options, are extendable to 2026. No other terms were disclosed by HRE.

HRE Properties is a self-administered equity real estate investment trust providing investors with a means of participating in ownership of income-producing properties with investment liquidity.

CONTACT: James R. Moore of HRE Properties, (212) 642-4800; or William A. Rose of D.F. King & Co., (212) 269-5550, for HRE.

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#90317p6182 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
LANGHORNE, PA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ecogen Inc. (NASDAQ: EECN) today reported financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Total revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $486,000 compared with $555,000 for the comparable period last year.

Ecogen reported a net loss of $2,564,000 ($0.26 per share) for this year's third quarter compared with a net loss of $1,869,000 ($0.28 per share) for the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, Ecogen reported total revenues of $1,542,000 and a net loss of $5,905,000 ($0.73 per share). Comparable figures for 1989 were total revenues of $2,340,000 and a net loss of $5,956,000 ($0.89 per share).

New Product and Overseas Sales Reported
For the first nine months of 1990, Ecogen reported product sales revenues of

$566,000, including $498,000 from new biopesticides not sold in the comparable 1989 period.

Year-to-date product sales revenues were 22 percent above last year's levels despite the discontinued marketing of Dagger(TM) G cotton biofungicide, Ecogen's largest selling product in 1989.

Ecogen also recorded its first overseas product sales during the third quarter. In August, Jia Non Enterprises Co., Ltd., the company's distributor for Taiwan, began selling on Ecogen developed vegetable bioinsecticide.

Commenting on the financial results, Ecogen Chairman John E. Davies said, "New product introductions and less reliance on contract research are shifting more of Ecogen's revenues to product sales. This trend is a measure of progress that is being made toward achieving Ecogen's goal of becoming the leading developer and marketer of biopesticides in North America."

Davies also said the company is continuing its effort to keep operating expenses below last year's levels, though non-recurring costs increased expenses for the quarter. Retention bonuses and other expenses related to downsizing along with non-cash charges for the acquisition of certain technology resulted in one-time charges of approximately $680,000 during the quarter.

Ecogen Inc. is an agricultural biotechnology company, specializing in biological pest control. Ecogen's products include Cutlass(TM) vegetable bioinsecticide, Foil(TM) potato bioinsecticide, Condor(TM) forestry and soybean bioinsecticide, Dagger G cotton biofungicide and Collego(TM) rice bioherbicide. The company is also developing products for cotton, corn and home and garden use.

ECOGEN INC.
Condensed Statements of Operations
(Amounts in thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended	Quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Contract revenue	$172	$376	$742	$1,302
Product sales	203	33	566	463
Interest income	111	146	234	575
Total revenues	486	555	1,542	2,340
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of products sold	116	11	398	361
Operating expenses	2,934	2,413	7,049	7,935
Total costs and expenses	3,050	2,424	7,447	8,296
Net loss	(2,564)	(1,869)	(5,905)	(5,956)
Net loss per common share	($0.26)	($0.28)	($0.73)	($0.89)
Weighted average common				

shares outstanding	9,907	6,681	8,090	6,681

CONTACT: Peter B. Stevens of Ecogen, 215-757-1590, or Douglas Johnson of GreenTree Communications, 207-367-5902, for Ecogen

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#90317p6183 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST CALDWELL, NJ (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrimac Industries announced today that it has repurchased 47,987 shares of stock at $6.50 per share.

The company said that this was an unsolicited transaction that has been several weeks in negotiations.

Merrimac Industries, Inc. (AMEX: MRM), designs, manufactures and markets high performance mixers and passive components for telecommunications, defense and aerospace.

CONTACT: Paul Terranova chairman and chief executive officer of Merrimac Industries, 201-575-1300

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EXETER, NH (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Tyco Laboratories, Inc. (NYSE: TYC) announced today that its Simplex Wire and Cable Company subsidiary has received an $11.8 million contract from the United States Navy Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command in Washington, D.C.

Simplex will manufacture 3500 kilometers of the latest generation fiber optic undersea cable to be used by the Navy for oceanographic research. Delivery of the cable will begin in early 1992. This contract increases Simplex' orders for state-of-the-art fiber optic cables for the U.S. Navy to over $53 million.

This contract reflects Simplex' leadership in the field of undersea fiber optic cables and is a continuation of a long association with the U.S. Navy.

Tyco is the world's largest manufacturer and installer of fire protection systems and producer of flow control products, electrical and electronic components and packaging materials.

CONTACT: Irving Gutin, senior vice president of Tyco, 603-778-9700

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KERRVILLE, TX (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - LDB Corporation (NASDAQ: LDBC) today reported operating results for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990. Net loss

for the year was $9,714,000 on revenues of $67,837,000.

Because of losses incurred in the past two years and an expected loss for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, the company is suffering from a current liquidity problem. In addition, the company has defaulted on one loan and has covenant defaults on another loan. In the opinion of the company's Independent Auditors, these conditions raise doubt about the company's ability to continue as a going concern. The company is in the process of negotiating a restructuring of its debt with its major creditors. The company's plan is to attempt to restructure its debt, to sell selected assets to generate cash, and to continue cutting operating expenses.

LDB CORPORATION CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (LOSS)
(In thousands, except per share data)

Period ended	Three months		Year	
July 31,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$17,448	$16,938	$67,837	$65,393
Loss from continuing operations before taxes	$(1,871)	$(3,540)	$(9,450)	$(5,495)
Provision (credit) for taxes	(13)	111	14	(552)
Loss from continuing operations	(1,858)	(3,651)	(9,464)	(4,943)
Loss from discontinued operations before taxes	(250)	(8,182)	(250)	(6,782)
Credit for taxes	--	(1,160)	--	(683)
Loss from discontinued operations	(250)	(7,022)	(250)	(6,099)
Net loss	(2,108)	(10,673)	(9,714)	(11,042)
Preferred stock dividend	112	112	450	450
Net loss to common stockholders	$(2,220)	$(10,785)	$(10,164)	$(11,492)
Loss per share:				
Continuing operations	$ (1.06)	$ (1.97)	$ (5.25)	$ (2.83)
Discontinued operations	(.13)	(3.69)	(.13)	(3.20)
Net loss per share	$ (1.19)	$ (5.66)	$ (5.38)	$ (6.03)
Average common shares	1,868,370	1,902,370	1,887,537	1,904,347

CONTACT: Byron C. Smith of LDB Corporation, 512-257-2000.

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PLYMOUTH, MICH. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Highland Superstores, Inc. (NASDAQ: HIGH) reported sales for the third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, of $193.1 million, down 8 percent from third-quarter 1989 sales of $209.7 million. Sales for October 1990 were $60.0 million, down 12 percent from October 1989 sales of $68.1 million. Comparable store sales declined 12 percent and 15 percent for the quarter and month, respectively.

Beginning in the fourth quarter of the current fiscal year, Highland will report its sales only on a quarterly basis.

Highland Superstores, Inc., headquartered in Plymouth (Detroit), is one of the largest volume specialty retailers of consumer electronics and appliances in the United States. The company currently operates 92 retail stores in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, New York and Texas.

CONTACT: Ira Mondry or Yale Levin of Highland Superstores, Inc., 313-451-3520

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#90317p6189 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, NY (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Software Artistry Inc., an Indianapolis-based computer software development and support company, has been named an IBM Cooperative Software Supplier (CSS) under the IBM Cooperative Software Program.

As a CSS, Software Artistry has published and licensed three products -- PC Expert Professional, Application Software Expert, and the Knowledge Engine. Both Software Artistry and IBM will market these products.

PC Expert Professional is an entry-level expert system application development tool for the business professional with no programming expertise. It will run on the DOS-based IBM Personal System/2 (PS/2).

Application Software Expert (ASE) is a fifth-generation programming language allowing the rapid development of platform-independent applications combining graphics, data base access, expert systems and procedural programming. ASE is available on PS/2 running on DOS, the IBM 4680 family of point-of-sale hardware and Application System/400 (AS/400).

The Knowledge Engine is a hypermedia development environment that can be used to create "intelligent documents" for use in help desks, tutorial systems, executive information systems and other applications. It is available on the PS/2 and the AS/400.

"Our new arrangement with IBM is an ideal marriage for us," said Don Brown, president, Software Artistry. "It provides broader distribution of our products and provides IBM additional tools for building solutions focused on the low-end platforms."

Under the terms of the CSS agreement, IBM may market these products under Software Artistry's terms and conditions without Software Artistry's direct involvement. As a CSS firm, Software Artistry retains complete control over

its products, providing IBM with the prices, terms and conditions, and product literature for marketing.

In addition, Software Artistry and IBM are exploring the feasibility of having applications written with Software Artistry tools link to The Integrated Reasoning Shell (TIRS), IBM's strategic AD/Cycle knowledge- based system product, via the Knowledge Representation Language (KRL). With KRL, applications can be ported from one platform to another and could provide low-end customers with an entry point to the Systems Application Architecture AD/Cycle.

CONTACT: Deborah Siegel of IBM, 914-642-5462.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Handy & Harman (NYSE: HNH) today reported results for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Handy & Harman's net income was $2,502,000, or $.18 per share. For the same period in 1989, the company had earnings of $2,244,000, or $.16 per share. Sales in the 1990 quarter were $139,835,000 versus $136,889,000 last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company's net income was $7,485,000, or $.54 per share, compared to $7,646,000, or $.55 per share, in the same period of 1989. Nine months sales were $429,148,000 compared to $450,194,000 in the like months of 1989.

Sales for the 1989 period and for the first quarter, 1990 were restated reflecting the June 1, 1990 transfer of the automotive replacement segment to a 50/50 joint venture partnership named GO/DAN Industries.

Commenting on the results announced today, Richard N. Daniel, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Third quarter operations reflect satisfactory progress toward this year's major objectives."

Daniel further commented, "We remain cautiously optimistic for the near term prospects despite the severity of the current slowdown in the U.S. economy."

Handy & Harman, a leading fabricator, processor and refiner of precious metals also produces a variety of specialty metal products for industrial uses through over 30 subsidiaries here and abroad. Founded in 1867, Handy & Harman is headquartered in New York.

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MUSKEGON HEIGHTS, MI (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Randers Group Incorporated (NASDAQ: RDRS) reported record results for the first nine months of 1990. Earnings for the first three quarters were $726,000 (6 cents per share) on revenues of $13,271,000 compared to a net loss of $54,000 (zero cents per share) on revenues of $4,728,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $239,000 (2 cents per share) compared to net income of $13,000 (zero cents per share) for the third quarter of 1989.

THE RANDERS GROUP INCORPORATED

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$4,591,000	$1,046,000	$13,271,000	$4,728,000
Net income	$ 239,000	$ 13,000	$ 726,000	$ (54,000)
Earnings per share	$ .02	$ ---	$ .06	$ ---
Average number of shares outstanding	13,010,000	13,005,000	13,008,888	13,003,297

CONTACT: LaWanda J. Furlough of The Randers Group Incorporated, 616-733-3128

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ROCKVILLE, MD (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc. (CRIIMI MAE) (NYSE: CMM), a real estate investment trust specializing in insured mortgage investments, today reported third quarter taxable income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $4.6 million (23 cents per share).

The year-to-date taxable income for the first nine months of 1990 was $17.9 million (89 cents per share).

There are no comparable results for last year's third quarter and nine months because the company was not yet operating; CRIIMI MAE began operations and NYSE trading on Nov. 28, 1989.

The third quarter's dividend includes part of the 26 cents per share in gains earned in earlier quarters as a result of the profitable liquidation of mortgage investments. These gains are being evenly distributed in the year's four quarterly dividend payments.

Financial statement net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $4.4 million (22 cents per share). Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $14.3 million (71 cents per share).

Management believes taxable income is a better indicator of the REIT's performance than net income reported on financial statements because taxable income is the basis for paying dividends. For some time in the future, management expects taxable income to be greater than net income reported on financial statements.

CRIIMI MAE's base of earning assets includes a majority ownership (67 percent of outstanding shares) of CRI Liquidating REIT, Inc., a subsidiary of CRIIMI MAE which holds a portfolio of federally insured mortgages and GNMA mortgage-backed securities, the majority of which were purchased at a discount to face value. The remaining $185.6 million portion of CRIIMI MAE's portfolio is invested directly in federally insured mortgages and government guaranteed mortgage-backed securities.

In total, $182.2 million, or 34 percent, of CRIIMI MAE's direct and indirect investments are GNMA-guaranteed mortgage-backed securities, and $358.8 million or 66 percent are FHA-insured project loans.

During the third quarter the company expanded its base of earning assets by investing $16.5 million in insured mortgage investments.

CRIIMI MAE's adviser is an affiliate of CRI, Inc., the real estate investment management firm based in the Washington area.

CONTACT: James T. Pastore, 301-231-0323, or Susan J. Bressler, 301-468-3120, both of CRIIMI MAE

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HOUSTON (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Conquest Exploration Company (AMEX: CQX) announced today that at its request Forest Oil Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: FOIL) on Monday evening, Nov. 12, 1990, extended to midnight Houston time, Nov. 13, 1990, the deadline for Conquest to respond to Forest's proposal to acquire Conquest.

As previously announced, on Oct. 21, 1990 Conquest entered into a definitive merger agreement with American Exploration Company.

CONTACT: Randal B. McDonald, president of Conquest Exploration Company, 713-440-2000

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MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeion Corporation (NASDAQ: ANGN), a manufacturer of cardiovascular products, has signed a letter of intent to acquire XMED, a research-and-development company which is developing products for the automatic implantable defibrillator market. Angeion announced the proposed acquisition today at the annual meeting of the American Heart Association in Dallas.

Angeion and XMED have agreed in principle on the terms of the acquisition, under which Angeion would acquire all outstanding stock of XMED.

The proposed acquisition reflects Angeion's intention to develop a variety of products to treat arrhythmia (irregular heartbeat), which is a major cause of death for adults between the ages of 30 and 65. Angeion, through its subsidiary AngeLase, Inc., is already engaged in developing a through-the-skin catheter for use in the nonsurgical cure of arrhythmia. XMED's implantable defibrillator would offer a method of treating arrhythmia through a different technology.

"The two technologies are very synergistic," said Wendell L. King, chairman and CEO of Angeion. "They would be used by the same physician specialist to treat a similar population of patients. Angeion's through-the-skin catheter would be the treatment of choice for some patients. The XMED implantable defibrillator would be the appropriate choice for others."

XMED, which was formed in Minneapolis in 1989, is also working on the development of two other key products -- an external temporary pacemaker and an external bedside automatic defibrillator.

Details of the acquisition are subject to negotiation. King is a board member of XMED, but holds no stock in the company.

Minneapolis-based Angeion Corporation is a manufacturer of cardiovascular products. Under its subsidiary, AngeLase, Inc., it is currently engaged in the research and development of a catheter which would provide a nonsurgical cure for arrhythmia. Angeion's current core business target is the angioplasty accessory market. Angeion is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ANGN and on the Boston Stock Exchange under the symbol ANI.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - MEI Diversified Inc. (NYSE: MEI) announced a net loss for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $1,549,000 or $.08 a share, compared with a net loss of $2,629,000 or $.14 a share for

the comparable 1989 quarter. Third quarter sales were $60,122,000 in 1990 and $43,672,000 in 1989.

The nine month 1990 period had a net loss of $8,369,000 or $.44 a share compared with a net loss of $6,346,000 or $.33 a share for the first nine months of 1989. Sales for the nine months were $146,987,000 in 1990 and $135,453,000 in 1989.

The sales and operating results for the third quarter and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 include the recent acquisitions of New Dimensions in Medicine (NDM) and MEI-Regis Salon Corp. from their July 1, 1990 and Aug. 30, 1990 respective dates of acquisition.

As announced in early June the company completed sale of its Candy and Snack Group to Ezaki Glico, Co., Ltd., an Osaka, Japan-based company. The cash sale proceeds approximated $58 million and resulted in a $1,086,000 second quarter gain.

Donald E. Benson, MEI Diversified Inc. president, stated that "Because MEI's nut, candy and snack food businesses are considered to be one segment for financial reporting purposes the June 1990 sale of the Candy and Snack Group cannot be reported as a sale of a discontinued business. Nevertheless, a substantial part of the company's net losses reported for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 relate to the Candy and Snack Group which was sold.

"The sold businesses had 1990 sales of $45 million through the date of disposition and full year 1989 sales of $107 million. The company has retained its nut business, a business which also contributed to the larger 1990 operating loss because of the absence of profitable nut commodity opportunities when compared to 1989."

MEI previously announced that it has completed the acquisition of three companies engaged in the operation of professional beauty salons and related businesses principally in leased space in major department stores throughout the United States and Canada.

MEI owns 80 percent of the outstanding stock of MEI-Regis Salon Corp. the acquiring entity which includes The Glemby Company, Inc. and Subsidiaries, formerly headquartered in New York; Essanelle Salon Co. and Maxim's both located in Minneapolis.

The remaining 20 percent of the acquiring company is owned by Regis Corporation and affiliates, Minneapolis, the former owners of both Essanelle and Maxim's Beauty Salons, Inc. Regis Corporation is a privately owned company which owns and operates hairstyling and hair care salons throughout the United States and Canada, predominantly in shopping malls and department stores.

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SCHAUMBURG, IL (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Intercargo Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ICAR) today reported record earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and slightly lower third quarter earnings.

Net income for the 1990 third quarter was $621,000, or 27 cents per share, down 4.3 percent from the record $649,000, or 28 cents per share in the 1989 third quarter. Total revenues were $6,271,000, compared to $6,310,000 a year earlier.

James R. Zuhlke, president and chief executive officer, said increased printing costs related to the name change of the company's primary operating subsidiary resulted in higher underwriting expenses in the 1990 third quarter.

For the 1990 nine months, net income from operations hit a record high of $1,870,000, or 81 cents per share, up 13.3 percent from $1,651,000, or 72 cents per share, for the 1989 nine months. Net income for the 1989 period received an additional benefit of $91,000, or 4 cents per share, for the adoption of FASB 96. Total revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were up 3.2 percent to $18,593,000 from $18,010,000 for the 1989 period.

Zuhlke said that as a speciality underwriter, Intercargo Corporation's underwriting results continue to outperform the general property and casualty industry. "Our aggregate combined loss and expense ration declined to a seasonal low of 90.5 percent for the first nine months of 1990 from 91.3 percent a year earlier," he said. A combined ration of under 100 percent indicates an underwriting profit.

According to Zuhlke, the company's Canadian affiliate, Kingsway Financial Services, Inc. continues to perform exceptionally well. Kingsway Financial Services contributed $146,000 to third quarter and $367,000 to year-to-date earnings.

He said company management believes that "favorable historical patterns will continue through the 1990 year end."

Headquartered in Schaumburg (a Chicago suburb), Intercargo Corporation is a leading provider of specialized insurance coverage for companies involved in international trade. Its market is primarily importers and exporters, customs brokers and freight forwarders and other global traders. The primary coverages it underwrites are U.S. Customs Bonds for which it controls about 33 percent of the market, cargo insurance and professional liability for the broker forwarder industry.

INTERCARGO CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited, in thousands, except per share data)

Period ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Insurance premium inc.	$5,856	$5,882	$17,477	$16,804
Net investment inc.	415	428	1,116	1,206
Total revenues	6,271	6,310	18,593	18,010
Losses and Expenses:				
Losses and loss adjustment expenses	2,370	2,300	7,089	6,772
Policy acquisition costs	2,656	2,603	7,735	7,399
Other underwriting expenses	606	500	1,682	1,478
Interest expense	4	0	4	5
Total losses and expenses	5,636	5,403	16,510	15,654
Equity in the earnings of unconsolidated affiliate	146	--	367	--
Operating income before income tax	781	907	2,450	2,356
Federal Income Tax:				
Current	170	275	626	756
Deferred	(10)	(17)	(46)	(51)
Total Federal inc. tax	160	258	580	705
Net income before accounting change	621	649	1,870	1,651
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	--	--	--	91
Net income	621	649	1,870	1,742
Net income per share:				
Before accounting change	$.27	$.28	$.81	$.72
On change in accounting principle	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04
Net income per share	.27	.28	.81	.76
Average number of shares outstanding	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,300

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#90317p6205 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - CRSS International, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of CRSS Inc. (NYSE: CRX), announced today the establishment of CRSS Iberia, S.A., in Madrid, Spain, part of its plans to expand its presence in Europe to serve both U.S. and European multi-national clients.

When working internationally, CRSS International works closely with local associates to bring indigenous knowledge and experience to their work in Europe. CRSS International recently collaborated with Technicas Reunidas, a large Spanish engineering and construction company, and a U.S. consulting firm on a project for the Port of Barcelona related to the 1992 Summer Olympic games.

Other CRSS International European expansion plans, following the opening of offices in the United Kingdom two years ago, include the establishment of relationships and opening offices in Germany, Italy and France during the next two years.

Houston-based CRSS Inc., through its subsidiaries, is one of the most diversified and largest design and construction services companies in the nation. CRSS has also expanded, through its interest in NaTec Resources, Inc., into the acid rain pollution control market, which it believes to be a significant growth market in eastern Europe.

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#90317p6206 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Vantage Point Energy Inc. announced today a net loss for the third quarter of 1990 of $141,909 (10 cents per share) on revenues of $1,777,483. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the net loss was $241,788 (21 cents per share) on revenues of $3,938,895.

Comparable results for the third quarter and nine months of 1989 are not available as the result of the transaction with Sceptre Resources Ltd. on May 1, 1990.

S. Lee Crawley, president, said, "We are continuing to make progress toward profitability. While the depressed natural gas market has continued to have an impact on our financial performance, higher oil prices have helped significantly. During August, the company initiated an expansion and improvement program on its two principal Louisiana properties, which has resulted in current production of 650 barrels per day versus 497 during the third quarter.

"We are optimistic as we enter the fourth quarter that with the improved results from our principal oil properties, the assurance of higher oil prices (the company has hedged 60 percent of its oil production at $26.08 per barrel) and anticipated higher demand for natural gas, the Company will have a profitable year," he said.

Vantage Point Energy Inc. is a financially oriented, independent oil and gas company headquartered in Tulsa. Its business involves the acquisition,

development and production of oil and gas. It also manages properties for other companies and institutions. The Company's business plan is to grow through the acquisition of properties and/or companies in exchange for cash and/or securities while continuing to operate and develop existing oil and gas properties.

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#90317p6207 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS, NV (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Caere Corp. (NASDAQ: CAER) today introduced OmniPage Professional(TM), a new page recognition software program that includes capabilities never before available in the desktop optical character recognition (OCR) world. The announcement was made here at Comdex.

OmniPage Professional, which runs under Windows(TM) 3.0, is an advanced, easy-to-use program than incorporates ground-breaking technology developed by Caere engineers.

"Caere has set a new standard for OCR products with OmniPage Professional," said Larry Miller, Caere's vice president of marketing. "Our aggressive development activities have allowed us to provide sophisticated technology at extremely competitive prices."

OmniPage Professional is a comprehensive, customizable page recognition solution for business professionals who analyze, edit, store, or retrieve data from large volumes of paper documents. The new program includes all of the capabilities of its predecessor, OmniPage, plus the following new advanced features developed in house at Caere.

Verification Window. Caere's new verification window allows users to play a more active role in the recognition process. Using easy point-and-click controls, users can verify on demand a word or character in its context, rather than in a stand-alone mode. Working within the program's Transitional Editor(TM), the verification window shows users the bit map of characters or words, which they can change or substitute with a quick click of their finger.

Toolbox. The toolbox feature improves users' productivity by making it quick and easy for them to choose editing options. By pointing and clicking on one of several icons, users can easily erase, zoom in or out, etc.

Custom Characters. OmniPage Professional includes a custom character feature that allows users to tailor the program to their particular business or profession.

This shape training capability, not found in any other product, allows OmniPage Professional to recognize unusual or proprietary characters, icons,

scientific or mathematical symbols, trademark symbols, or additional alphabets not already included in Caere's core font recognition technology.

It can also be used to recognize any type of shape, as well as consistent irregularities in characters from printers or fax machines. This feature is also available as an optional add-on package, called OmniTrain(TM), for users of earlier OmniPage products.

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#90317p6208 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS, NEV. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Caere Corp. (NASDAQ: CAER) today introduced OmniPage Professional(TM), a new page recognition software program that includes capabilities never before available in the desktop optical character recognition (OCR) world. The announcement was made here at Comdex.

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Clipping. The clipping feature allows users to tag, or clip, specific areas (zones) on a page for recognition in a batch. This feature often works in conjunction with the deferred processing feature.

Deferred Processing. With deferred processing, users can scan pages and save them for processing (recognition) later. When used with the clipping feature, users can clip different zones from scanned pages, such as different articles from business journals or scientific reports, and then send them through the recognition process all at once. Users simply choose "batch mode" from the menu, thus saving time and keystrokes.

Multiple Zone and Special Zone Recognition. The multiple zone capability lets users select up to 99 recognition zones per page. The zones can be specified for text, numbers or images, and saved into separate files. Users can build personal knowledge bases, and with a single click of their finger, save only graphics or specific text references or numbers.

In addition, users can define valid characters for a zone. For example, many legal codes or part numbers use only certain characters or numbers. If a zone employs characters or numbers not defined for that field, the zone is flagged for user verification.

Multiple File Recognition. Users can process multiple jobs and create separate files for each by simply inserting a blank sheet of paper between them as they are scanned. This feature is extremely useful for those who process many documents of a similar nature, such as contracts or expense reports. The documents can be batched together, yet filed separately.

Column (or Block) Selection. Although OmniPage has always automatically divided columns appropriately, this column selection feature lets users override the automatic capability and redefine columns. The feature is useful when dealing with tabular material of related matter, which can be recognized as blocks of columns rather than individual columns.

Interactive Mode. When scanning in documents with selected zones, the system automatically makes a template of that scan setting for consecutive pages. Interactive mode lets users override this automatic ability and change the scan settings after each page. This allows them to collect only the images or text desired.

Fax Support. OmniPage Professional supports all popular fax file formats. More importantly, it allows fax files to be opened, recognized and reformatted in a single step. Support for proprietary formats, such as those from Intel, Panasonic and others, is also available.

OmniSpell(TM) and OmniDraft(TM) Now Included. OmniSpell and OmniDraft, which were previously available only as add-on options for OmniPage, are now built-in features of OmniPage Professional. OmniSpell is an advanced 100,000-word spell checker that flags standard as well as OCR-related spelling errors. OmniSpell works either automatically or interactively, suggesting corrections and letting users create customized dictionaries.

OmniDraft lets OmniPage read draft-mode dot-matrix characters with nearly the same speed and accuracy possible with printed or typed characters. System Requirements

OmniPage Professional requires MS-DOS, version 3.1 or above; Windows, version 3.0; and a Windows 3.0-compatible 80386 system with 4 megabytes of RAM, a hard disk with 8 megabytes of storage space, and a Windows-compatible pointing device, such as the Microsoft Mouse(TM).

OmniPage Professional supports scanners from Hewlett-Packard, Microtek, Ricoh and most other scanner manufacturers. It indirectly supports additional scanners through black-and-white TIFF files. Pricing and Availability

OmniPage Professional has a suggested retail price of $995. The program will be available this month from personal computer dealers. Caere will reduce the price of all existing versions of OmniPage, the company's popular page recognition program for Macintosh(R), IBM and IBM-compatible computers to $695.

OmniPage Professional is featured in Caere's exhibit (booth No. 2826) here at Comdex, along with five other company products: OmniPage 3.0 page recognition software, which was the first 32-bit program to be developed for Windows 3.0; OmniPage for the Macintosh; two models of the Typist, a hand-held scanner for MS-DOS and Macintosh users; and the Parallel Reader, a sophisticated OCR system for high-volume use.

Caere Corp., based in Los Gatos, Calif., is the industry's leader in the design, manufacture and sale of information recognition software and systems products. These products provide an economical, accurate means of converting text, numeric and bar-code data into computer-usable form.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) today announced the selection of Uniland Development Co. of Amherst, N.Y., as its prospective partner in the development of a 250- acre business park in Cheektowaga, N.Y., just outside Buffalo.

Negotiations toward a final agreement are under way. The development will focus on rail-served businesses. Potential tenants include consumer and industrial goods distributors, food processors and light manufacturing companies. Primary candidates for locating at the developed site will be Greater Buffalo area businesses looking to expand or replace current operations and Canadian companies seeking U.S. locations within easy access of their Canadian facilities.

"Conrail's continued commitment to economic and industrial development efforts in the Greater Buffalo area is demonstrated by this investment," said James A. Hagen, Conrail's chairman, president and chief executive officer. "The development of this property enhances the area's economy and Buffalo's tradition of supporting rail-served industries."

A recent division of the former freight car classification yard by Conrail and Norfolk Southern provides Conrail with approximately 250 acres available for development. While the primary development focus will be on rail-served industries, the location also offers excellent access to other modes of transportation; it is located about one mile south of exit 52 of the New York State Thruway (I-90), and less than four miles southwest of Buffalo International Airport.

Uniland is the largest full-service industrial and office developer in the Western New York area. The company was founded in 1976 for the purpose of developing real estate, primarily for its own portfolio. A privately held organization, Uniland has developed nearly 5 million square feet of property.

Conrail operates a rail freight transportation network in 14 Northeastern and Midwestern states, the District of Columbia, and the Province of Quebec.

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LONDON (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - London International Group plc (NASDAQ-NMS: LONDY), the consumer products and services group, today announced pre-tax profits of 18.8 million pounds sterling (1989: 16.2 million pounds), an increase of 16 percent, for the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Operating profit was 23.6 million pounds (1989: 20.8 million pounds), up 13.5 percent on sales of 185.8 million pounds (1989: 172.9 million pounds), an

increase of 7.5 percent. Interest costs are almost unchanged, and are covered 4.9 times.

Earnings per ordinary share were 9.40 pence (1989: 8.27p), up 13.7 percent.

The directors have approved an interim dividend of 3.00p per ordinary share, an increase of 11.1 percent.

Commenting on the interim results, Alan E. Woltz, chairman and chief executive said, "We performed in line with our expectations, which is particularly pleasing in the face of a continuing economic downturn in many of our major markets. The strengths of our brands in the marketplace will enable us to meet the challenges presented by the current trading environment."

Health and Personal Products

The Health and Personal Products division achieved operating profit of 11.1 million pounds (1989: 10.2 million pounds), up 8.8 percent on turnover of 111.1 million pounds (1989: 105.8 million pounds), an increase of 5 percent.

The condom market continued to expand in Europe and market share increased in most countries. The opening of what was previously the East German market further improved volume growth in Germany.

North American profits improved over the corresponding period last year, in spite of a condom market that showed no growth.

The U.K. vending operations were franchised in September, as part of an overall strategy aimed at the youth market. In the U.S., the recently acquired Protex brand will strengthen retail share and enable the group to exploit the underdeveloped vending sector.

The surgeons' gloves business continued to achieve good rates of conversion to Biogel. The brand's U.S. introduction continued on track and the construction of the new Biogel manufacturing facility in Malaysia is on schedule.

Household and industrial gloves showed volume growth in what were very competitive trading conditions.

Photoprocessing

The photoprocessing division, ColourCare, achieved operating profits of 12.5 million pounds (1989: 10.8 million pounds), up 15.7 percent on sales of 74.7 million pounds (1989: 66.6 million pounds), an increase of 12.2 percent.

The U.K. photoprocessing market experienced volume decline during the first half, but market share gains enabled ColourCare to achieve continued volume growth.

In view of the disappointing results from the Spanish wholesale

photoprocessing operations and the worsening economic outlook, a decision has been taken to negotiate an exit from this business, while retaining the growing mail order business in this market. Net assets are approximately 5 million pounds. Any loss arising from this decision will be treated as an extraordinary item in the full year accounts.

Growth opportunities in developing the mail order businesses in Europe, including the mail order business in Spain, remain strong. First half progress was good in these businesses.

NASDAQ

In October, London International Group plc was listed on NASDAQ's National Market System for its American Depositary Receipts.

Dividend

The dividend is payable on April 8, 1991, to shareholders on the register at the close of business on March 11, 1991.

London International is a world leader in its core businesses of health and personal products and photoprocessing services. It is the global leader in branded condoms, and holds leading positions in latex gloves for surgical, dental, household and industrial use as well as in health and beauty aids. It is the largest independent photoprocessor in Europe.

LONDON INTERNATIONAL GROUP PLC
Consolidated Profit and Loss Account
for the Half Year Ended Sept. 30, 1990
(In millions except per share)

Periods Ended	Year 3/31/90 Pounds	Half Year 9/30/90 U.S.$	Half Year 9/30/90 Pounds	Half Year 9/30/89 Pounds	Pct. Change
Turnover	351.3	347.5	185.8	172.9	7.5
Operating profit	45.4	44.1	23.6	20.8	--
Interest payable, less receivable	(8.9)	(9.0)	(4.8)	(4.6)	--
Profit on ordinary activities, bef. tax	36.5	35.1	18.8	16.2	16.0
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	(11.1)	(11.8)	(6.3)	(5.3)	--
Profit on ordinary activities after tax	25.4	23.3	12.5	10.9	14.7
Extraordinary items	(3.3)	(1.1)	(.6)	--	--
Profit attributable to shareholders	22.1	22.2	11.9	10.9	--

Dividends

Periods Ended	Year 3/31/90 Pence	1990/91 Pence	1989/90 Pence	Half Year 9/30/90 Cents	Half Year 9/30/90 Pence	Half Year 9/30/89 Pence	Pct. Chng

Interim	(3.6)	3.00p	2.70p	(7.4)	(4.0)	(3.6)	--
Final	(7.5)	--	5.65p	--	--	--	--
Total	(11.1)	--	8.35p	--	--	--	--
Profit retained	11.0			14.8	7.9	7.3	--
Earns. per ord. shr.	19.2p	--	--	17.6 cents	9.40p	8.27p	13.7

Notes: 1. The above half year results are unaudited. The accounting policies are as stated in the last report and accounts subject to: (a) Exchange rates for the translation of the results of overseas subsidiaries are now at average rates for the period, rather than those ruling at the period end. This change was heralded in the last accounts.

(b) Following the application of the Companies Act 1989, London Rubber Company (India) Limited is now treated as a subsidiary.

No adjustments have been made to the previous period's results in respect of these as the impact is not material.

The above full year profit and loss account is an abridged version of the Group's full accounts upon which the auditors have given an unqualified opinion. The full accounts have been filed with the Registrar of Companies.

2. Earnings per ordinary share are based on the profit before extraordinary items and on the weighted average of 132.9 million ordinary shares of 10p in issue during the half year (1989: 131.8 million).

3. The exchange rate used to translate the results for the half- year ended Sept. 30, 1990, was that ruling at the balance sheet date ($1.87 equals 1 pound).

LONDON INTERNATIONAL GROUP PLC
Divisional Analysis of Turnover and Operating Profit
for the Half Year Ended Sept. 30, 1990
(In millions)

	Turnover			Operating Profit		
	1990	1990	1989	1990	1990	1989
	$	Pounds		$	Pounds	
Health and personal products	207.8	111.1	105.8	20.8	11.1	10.2
Photoprocessing services	139.7	74.7	66.6	23.3	12.5	10.8
Total	347.5	185.8	172.4	44.1	23.6	21.0
Discontinued activities	--	--	0.5	--	--	(0.2)
Total	347.5	185.8	172.9	44.1	23.6	20.8

Taxation (in millions)

	Half Year		
	1990	1990	1989

	$	Pounds	
The tax charge on profit comprises:			
U.K. corporation tax	(7.9)	(4.2)	(3.7)
Overseas tax	(3.9)	(2.1)	(1.6)
Total	(11.8)	(6.3)	(5.3)

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#90317p6220 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TEL-AVIV, ISRAEL (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Mair Laiser, president of ECI Telecom Ltd. (NASDAQ: ECILF) today reported sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the quarter increased by 44 percent to $19,350,000, compared with $13,448,000 for the comparable period in 1989. Gross profit increased by 71 percent to $10,208,000, compared with $5,979,000 in the same period of 1989. Net income rose to $3,919,000 compared with $1,380,000 in the corresponding period last year, a 184 percent increase. Fully-diluted earnings per share were $.56 compared with $.24 in the third quarter of 1989.

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $54,299,000, an increase of 40 percent over sales of $38,745,000 in the first nine months of 1989. Gross profit for the period increased 62 percent to $27,656,000, compared with $17,088,000 in the same period of 1989. Net income for the period was $11,142,000, compared with $3,671,000 in the corresponding period of 1989, up 203 percent. Fully-diluted earnings per share were $1.64, compared with $.65 in the first nine months last year.

The company's results continued to be favorably affected by strong sales of its Digital Circuit Multiplication Equipment (DCME), close monitoring of overhead expenses and continually improving production efficiency. The company's sales were strongest in the United States where sales grew by 80 percent compared with the parallel 1989 period. Sales in Europe rose 44 percent.

The company's position as a world leader in the area of DCME was further emphasized last month at a meeting in Frankfurt of ECI equipment users from 15 countries including the United States, Japan, Germany, Britain and Australia, wherein product development and applications were discussed and ideas exchanged.

ECI Telecom designs, develops and markets telecommunications and

communications systems employing digital speech processing, switching technologies and technologies compatible with ISDN (Integrated Services Digital Network). These systems are designed to increase the conversation, data and facsimile carrying capacity of telecommunications networks operated by domestic and international long-distance carriers, PTT's and private line users. Other systems manufactured by the company are designed to improve command, control and communications networks.

ECI TELECOM LTD. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Condensed Statement of Income
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share and per share figures)

	Nine month ended Sept. 30		Third quarter ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	54,299	38,745	19,350	13,448
Cost of sales	26,643	21,657	9,142	7,469
Gross profit	27,656	17,088	10,208	5,979
Selling, general & admin expenses	10,115	9,070	3,256	2,899
R&D -Net	4,522	3,025	1,721	1,300
Operating income	13,019	4,993	5,231	1,780
Financial income (expenses) - net	146	(1,267)	(114)	(374)
Other income - net	996	95	33	16
Income before taxes on income	14,161	3,821	5,150	1,422
Taxes on income	3,019	150	1,231	42
Net income	11,142	3,671	3,919	1,380
Earnings per share	1.64	.65	.56	.24
Wtd. avg. number of shares outstg. used in computing earnings per share	6,777,525	5,602,603	7,013,284	5,657,328

ECI TELECOM LTD AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheets
(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

	9/30/90 (unaudited)	12/31/89 (audited)
ASSETS		
Current assets	65,672	43,932
Long-term receivables	411	1,991
Property, plant and equipment	13,678	12,856
Total	79,761	5,779
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities	24,231	24,979
Long-term debt	6,507	9,564

Shareholders' equity	49,023	24,236
Total	79,761	58,779

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WORCESTER, MASS. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Alpha-Beta Technology, Inc. announced today that it has entered into a non-exclusive agreement with Pierce Chemical Company to market one of Alpha-Beta's proprietary adjuvants for use in biomedical research. Pierce will market the adjuvant under the name Adjuprime(tm).

Based on a yeast-derived carbohydrate called PGG, Adjuprime has been shown in animal studies to increase the immune (antibody) response to levels comparable to the most effective research adjuvants now available. However, Adjuprime lacks the toxicity associated with other available adjuvants. Currently, the multi-million dollar market is dominated by Freund's Complete Adjuvant. The beneficial and unique properties of Adjuprime combined with Pierce's market presence should gain a significant market share for the new product.

"The agreement with Pierce Chemical, one of the world's leading distributors of immunology research products, will provide Alpha-Beta with a near-term revenue stream as we continue the development of our carbohydrate-based therapeutics and other human health care products," said David Easson, Sc.D., executive vice president of Alpha-Beta. "We believe our initial carbohydrate-based therapeutics, now undergoing preclinical development, have major potential in the multi-billion dollar infectious and cardiovascular disease markets."

Alpha-Beta Technology, Inc. is developing patentable carbohydrate- based products for the health care industry through the application of carbohydrate engineering. In addition to the vaccine adjuvants, a form of which is also being developed for human use, Alpha-Beta's major products in development include Fibercel(tm), a cholesterol-lowering agent and fat substitute, and Betafectin(tm) for the treatment of hospital infections. Alpha-Beta's headquarters, laboratory and pilot production facilties are located in Worcester, Mass.

CONTACT: David Easson, Sc.D., executive vice president of Alpha-Beta Technology, Inc., 508-798-6900 or Robert Gottlieb, vice president of Peter Feinstein, Inc., 617-577-8110, for Alpha-Beta Technology, Inc.

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#90317p6222 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

GUILDERLAND, N.Y. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermagnetics General Corporation (IGC) (NASDAQ: INMA) announced today that it has delivered the key components of an Electromagnetic Thruster Laboratory to the Naval Underwater Systems Center (NUSC), Newport, R.I. The equipment will be used to test a novel underwater propulsion system that the company believes may lead to designs that are quieter and more efficient than the conventional rotating propellers currently in use for naval vessel propulsion.

The propulsion system is based on a phenomenon known as Magnetohydrodynamics, or MHD, in which a powerful magnetic field produced by a superconducting magnet interacts with an electric current induced directly into seawater to create a force on the seawater. The equipment configured to achieve this is referred to as a superconducting electromagnetic thruster, and it exerts a force on seawater passing through its core, driving water out the back, thereby creating forward motion. There are no moving parts -- no propellers, no gears and no drive shaft.

IGC supported NUSC personnel with development of the specifications for the laboratory and its equipment, and then designed and built the superconducting electromagnetic thruster. In addition, IGC provided training to government personnel at NUSC for operation of the equipment.

The laboratory will be used to simulate seawater MHD propulsion and experiment with the various parameters of the phenomenon to develop optimized performance design criteria.

Carl H. Rosner, president of IGC, noted that a similar superconductor-based propulsion system for an ocean-going vessel has been designed and built in Japan. The hull for the ship has been named Yamato I," and the 185-ton vessel is scheduled to be operational for tests early next year.

"We are pleased to assist the U.S. Navy in its multi-year program to develop this technology, and we look forward to participating further in the effort," Rosner said.

IGC is a leading manufacturer of superconducting wire and superconducting magnet systems, especially those used in MRI medical diagnostic imaging systems. The company also produces cryogenic equipment, permanent magnet systems and material separators.

CONTACT: Carl H. Rosner, president of Intermagnetics General, 518-456-5456, or Hal LeVay of Porter, LeVay & Rose, 212-564-4700, for Intermagnetics General

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#90317p6223 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Sanmark-Stardust Inc. (AMEX: SMK) today

reported results for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales totaled $38,322,000, as compared to sales of $36,270,000 during the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Income from operations during the recently ended first quarter was $1,817,000 vs. $1,693,000 in the prior year's first quarter. Net income during the first quarter of fiscal 1991 totaled $1,244,000, or $.08 per share, vs. net income of $1,093,000, or $.07 per share, during the same period last year.

Commenting on the company's results, Mark M. David, chairman of Sanmark-Stardust, said, "We are extremely pleased with the company's performance during the recently ended first quarter, especially in light of the current retail climate. Considering current conditions, it is also gratifying to be ahead of last year's pace. As well, our performance during the recently ended quarter serves to illuminate those positive factors which we believe Sanmark-Stardust has working in its favor. Namely, diversity of products, sound financial condition, efficient operations, improved profitability at the manufacturing level, weakening competition and stronger than ever relationships with retailers.

"However, while we are obviously pleased with these results and the company's current direction, we also intend to continue with our ongoing program directed at further streamlining and strengthening our operations so that we may remain competitive despite any continued weakness in the retail sector and the economy in general," David concluded.

Sanmark-Stardust Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and sells an extensive line of ladies sleepwear, robes, leisurewear, loungewear, panties and daywear; men's work and leisure shirts; children's clothing; and also operates 27 retail outlet stores.

CONTACT: Saul Pomerantz of Sanmark-Stardust Inc. 212-679-7260; or Barry A. Rothman of Profile Communications, Inc., 305-742-2086, for Sanmark-Stardust Inc.

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#90317p6225 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CITY OF INDUSTRY, CA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Stor Furnishings International Inc. (NASDAQ: STOR) has completed arrangements for the financing and construction of the company's fourth supercenter, which will be in Houston and should open in the Spring of 1991, James D. Stadlander, president and chief operating officer, announced today.

The newest Stor will be on interstate 10 one exit west of the 610 Loop and like the company's stores in Southern California will have approximately 150,000 square feet offering a broad range of affordable home furniture, furnishings, housewares and accessories.

This new supercenter, however, will be the prototype for further expansion of the chain, reflecting the company's latest research on store design and layout as well as its years of experience with its Southern California supercenters.

Stadlander commented: "We are pleased and excited to be taking Stor outside Southern California. Over the last several years, we have been fine tuning the Stor concept in this highly competitive market and we believe we have excellent prospects for growth in Houston and other markets."

In order to facilitate this project in a difficult real estate financing market, Stor and the developer have agreed to proceed without third party financing. Stor will provide $2.5 million toward the cost of leasehold improvements by contributing its previously announced $2.5 million loan, with a commensurate reduction in its rent. The developer will provide the remainder of the funds necessary to complete the shopping center. Stor will be responsible for any cost overruns on its building. He added: "Expansion of our supercenter base remains a central element in Stor's operating strategy and we have identified a number of new sites in large metropolitan markets. Our efforts to proceed with these new locations, however, have been complicated by the current unsettled state of the real estate financing market."

Stor Furnishings International Inc. operates high volume supercenters offering a large selection of high quality, affordable home furniture and furnishings, as well as housewares and accessories, available in-stock for customers to take home the same day. It currently operates three 150,000 square foot supercenters in Southern California.

CONTACT: James Stadlander, COO, Stor Furnishings International, 818-912-8788.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced a decrease in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The decrease of $1.00/bbl was effective Monday, Nov. 12, at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$31.50 for West Texas Intermediate $29.50 for West Texas Sour $32.00 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore).

New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E68. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90317p6228 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BINGHAMTON, NY (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Resource Recycling Technologies, Inc. (AMEX: RRT) announced today that its board of directors had approved a stock repurchase plan pursuant to which the company will from time to time in the open market repurchase up to 5 percent (up to 135,000 shares) of the company's common outstanding stock. The company will use its own funds to make the purchases. The plan will remain in effect for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days, commencing today.

Lawrence J. Schorr, president and chief operating officer of RRT, stated, "We believe that RRT is currently priced significantly below its current and potential value." The company has cash and cash equivalents of over $2.00 per share.

Resource Recycling Technologies, Inc. is a vertically integrated organization dedicated to the advancement of recycling programs and technologies, and the development of new markets for secondary materials.

CONTACT: Lawrence J. Schorr, President of Resource Recycling Technologies, Inc., 607-729-9331

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#90317p6229 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - NYMAGIC, INC. (NASDAQ: NYMG) reported today the results of consolidated operations for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. John N. Blackman, Jr., chairman, announced that total revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $20,537,645, a decrease of approximately 14 percent over the third quarter of 1989 revenues which were $23,825,122. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 total revenues were $65,384,555, a decrease of approximately 6 percent over the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 revenues of $69,786,465. Realized investment gains in the third quarter of 1990 were $1,387,751 as compared to $1,610,642 for the third quarter of 1989. Included in total revenues were realized investment gains of $4,063,274 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to $4,208,353 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net premiums earned for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $14,634,566 as compared to $18,238,332 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, for a decrease of approximately 20 percent. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 net premiums earned were $48,041,352 as compared to $53,942,107 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, for a decrease of approximately 11 percent. Net investment income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $4,361,171

an increase of approximately 12 percent over the third quarter 1989 net investment income of $3,888,895. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 net investment income was $12,756,497 as compared with $11,389,932 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, an increase of approximately 12 percent.

Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $4,876,183 as compared to $5,244,568 for the third quarter of 1989, a decrease of approximately seven percent. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $15,695,021 as compared to the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 net income of $15,276,921. Net income per share for the third quarter of 1990 was $.55 compared to $.60 for the same period a year ago and $1.78 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared with $1.75 for the same period of 1989.

Net income in the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 included tax benefits of $51,000 and $153,000, respectively, as a result of the "Fresh Start" provision under the Tax Reform Act of 1986. Prior year tax benefits for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 were $61,000 and $153,000, respectively.

NYMAGIC, INC. is a holding company whose property and casualty insurance subsidiary specializes in ocean marine, inland marine, aircraft and non-marine liability insurance.

TABLE OF RESULTS

Nine Months Ended September 30	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$65,384,555	$69,786,465
Premiums Earned	48,041,352	53,942,107
Net Investment Income	12,756,497	11,389,932
Other Income	523,432	246,073
Realized Investment Gains	4,063,274	4,208,353
Net Income	15,695,021	15,276,921
Net Income Per Share	1.78	1.75
Average Shares Outstanding	8,809,736	8,737,881
Third Quarter Ended September 30		
Total Revenues	20,537,645	23,825,122
Premiums Earned	14,634,566	18,238,332
Net Investment Income	4,361,171	3,888,895
Other Income	154,157	87,253
Realized Investment Gains	1,387,751	1,610,642
Net Income	4,876,183	5,244,568
Net Income Per Share	$ .55	$ .60
Average Shares Outstanding	8,814,487	8,798,484

CONTACT: James A. Lambert of NYMAGIC, 212-953-0580

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#90317p6230 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Paramount Communications Inc. (NYSE: PCI) today declared its regular quarterly dividend of 17-1/2 cents per share on its common stock, payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990. It is the 107th consecutive quarterly cash dividend declared by the company.

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#90317p6231 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Scat Hovercraft, Inc. (OTC) today reported a net loss of ($793,463) or ($.071) per share on sales of $3,794,153, for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, as compared to a net loss of ($1,175,768) or ($.106) per share, on sales of $3,811,547, for the year ended Dec. 31, 1988.

For the three months ended March 31, 1990, Scat reported a net loss of ($270,000) or ($.0243) per share on net sales of $487,000, as compared to a net loss of ($101,000) or ($.009) per share on sales of $956,000, for the corresponding three months of 1989. Scat Hovercraft designs, manufactures and distributes personal size hovercrafts for the recreational and commercial marketplace. On Feb. 26, 1990, Scat filed for protection and relief under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy code. On Aug. 31, 1990 a plan of reorganization was filed by Helm Resources Inc. (AMEX: H). The plan of reorganization was confirmed and is awaiting consummation.

CONTACT: Harvey Seslowsky, president, or Jordan R. Finn, chief financial officer of Scat Hovercraft, Inc., 305-691-5100

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#90317p6233 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of BEI Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ: BEII), a San Francisco-based diversified technology company, today declared a quarterly dividend of 2 cents per share of common stock.

The dividend will be payable on Dec. 3, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 23, 1990.

BEI Electronics designs, manufactures and markets electronics, ordnance, motion control systems and components, precision accelerometers, rate sensors and inertial measurement systems and fluid handling products for use in military, commercial, industrial and aerospace applications. The company has major operations in California, Arkansas, Texas and Massachusetts.

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#90317p6234 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of BEI Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ: BEII), a San Francisco-based diversified technology company, today declared a quarterly dividend of 2 cents per share of common stock.

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#90317p6235 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
EAST BRUNSWICK, NJ (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Chemical Bank New Jersey (CBNJ) has joined the New York Cash Exchange (NYCE), one of the nation's largest regional automated teller machine (ATM) networks.

"By including NYCE among our 24-hour ChemBankCard network options, we've greatly enhanced banking convenience for our customers within New Jersey and as they travel interstate," noted Neil F. Hall, executive vice president of Consumer Banking. "Chemical Bank in New York is a founding member of NYCE. Our expansion into the system is another step in integrating our Chemical services and products, thus broadening the scope of our consumer banking activities."

Said Alan P. Pohlman, president of NYCE, "Chemical Bank New Jersey's participation in NYCE is a significant expansion of our coverage of the New Jersey market. Like CBNJ, NYCE is headquartered in New Jersey, and this region has always been very important to all of the financial institutions in our network."

With the addition of CBNJ's ATMs, NYCE now has 821 machines in New Jersey. NYCE's 16.3 million cardholders, including CBNJ's customers, have access to 3,499 NYCE ATMs in the tri-state area and a total of 9,082 NYCE ATMs in 25 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

CBNJ, headquartered in East Brunswick, is a subsidiary of the multi- bank holding company, Chemical Banking Corporation. CBNJ has 129 banking locations and 110 24-hour ChemBankCard machines throughout New Jersey.

The NYCE ATM Network is owned by nine Northeastern banking organizations, including Chemical Bank in New York. NYCE is operated by the New York Switch Corporation, headquartered in Hackensack, N.J.

CONTACT: Eugenie R. Coladarci of CBNJ, 201-220-3330, or Joan Savarese of NYCE 201-488-6111

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#90317p6242 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TEMPE, ARIZ. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Symbion Inc. (NASDAQ: SYMB) announced today its results of operations for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Largely as a result of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) withdrawal of the Investigational Device Exemptions (IDEs) for Symbion's Total Artificial Heart (TAH) and Acute Ventricular Assist Device (AVAD), sales in the first three quarters of 1990 were down significantly from the comparable period of the prior year. The company has not sold any of these products during 1990. Third quarter sales in 1990 were $338,000, compared to $512,000 in the same quarter last year. Sales for the first three quarters of 1990 were $759,000, compared to $2,451,000 for the same period last year.

Sales of the MITROFLOW valve (the only product currently sold by Symbion) have increased by 38 percent in the first three quarters of 1990, despite the company's decision in May 1990 to voluntarily discontinue sales of the product in the United States. The MITROFLOW valve is currently being sold primarily in Europe.

The net earnings reported in 1989 included a $5.8 million second quarter gain realized on the sale of Symbion's Centrifugal Pump Technology and a $193,000 third quarter gain realized on the sale of Symbion's INERAID artificial ear technology. In 1990 Symbion has recognized an additional $750,000 gain ($375,000 in the second quarter and $375,000 in the third quarter) as a result of additional cash payments received pursuant to the sale of the Centrifugal Pump Technology. The impact of this gain on net earnings in 1990 was offset by a $752,000 inventory writedown ($100,000 in quarter two and $652,000 in quarter three).

SYMBION INC.
UNAUDITED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$338	$512	$759	$2,451
Operating loss	($309)	($354)	($1,413)	($1,307)
Interest income	$55	$296	$169	$673
Gain on sale of				

technology and other assets	$375	$195	$743	$5,962
Net earnings (loss)	($501)	$126	($1,219)	$5,326
Net earnings (loss) per share	($.07)	$.02	($.16)	$.71

CONTACT: Lane J. Castleton, CFO of Symbion Inc., 602-831-0472

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#90317p6245 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENDALE, NJ (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Kentek Information Systems, Inc. today announced that Ricoh Company, Ltd., of Tokyo, and Nippon Paint Company Ltd., of Osaka have made equity investments in Kentek.

The Ricoh investment represents less than 10 percent ownership of Kentek. It is associated with an agreement between the two companies to cross license patents in the electrophotographic and printing technologies.

The Nippon Paint investment is also less than a 10 percent ownership. With this investment, Nippon Paint expands its commitment to support Kentek's development program in the areas of electrophotographic toners and developers.

According to Kensuke Fukae, chairman of Kentek, "the backing of Ricoh and Nippon Paint significantly improve Kentek's credibility worldwide. Both companies are international in scope, each has vertically integrated manufacturing and is a worldwide leader in office automation and coatings respectively."

Ricoh Company, Ltd. is a vertically integrated developer, manufacturer, and marketer of a wide range of office automation products with sales and production facilities worldwide.

Nippon Paint Company, Ltd. is a fully integrated developer, manufacturer and marketer of industrial and commercial paints, specialized coating and coating processes, and fine chemicals.

Kentek Information Systems, Inc., headquartered in Allendale, has R&D facilities in Boulder, Colo.; sales offices in Allendale; Bedford, Mass.; Kendall, Fla.; Covina, Calif.; and Frankfurt, Germany; and engineering facilities in Nagano and Tokyo, Japan. The company is one of the world's leading producers of mid-volume page printers and markets worldwide through OEM and distributor channels.

CONTACT: Robert Parks of Kentek Information Systems, 201-825-8500

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#90317p6249 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOMINGUEZ, CALIF. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Len Williams, 53, a veteran retail executive, has been elected president and chief executive officer of Pic 'N' Save Corporation (NASDAQ: PICN), the nation's leading close-out retailer. His election came at a meeting of the company's board of directors yesterday, and is effective immediatley Williams succeeds Lewis B. Merrifield III, who announced his resignation on July 31, 1990.

Williams was also elected to Pic 'N' Save's board, replacing Merrifield who resigned his board seat yesterday.

Williams is a former president of Caldor, a division of Associated Dry Goods, and a former chief executive officer of Gold Circle, a division of Federated Stores. He also served as chief executive officer of Lion-Nathan's retail operations in New Zealand.

"The search committee of the board, and ultimately the entire board of directors of Pic 'N' Save, was extremely impressed with Williams' consistent ability to increase sales, reduce costs and refocus merchandise in his various retail management assignments," said Peter S. Willmott, chairman of Pic 'N' Save's board and the head of its executive search committee.

"We are delighted that Len Williams has accepted our offer to lead the company's management team. We are confident that under his leadership the company will achieve its goals in the months and years ahead," he said.

Williams said that he feels Pic 'N' Save has significant potential. "Pic 'N' Save has always been the market leader in close-out retailing and is well-positioned for an exciting future," he said.

Williams and his wife currently live in Westport, Conn., but will be relocating to the Los Angeles area soon. They have two grown children.

The company, through its subsidiary PNS Stores Inc., operates a chain of 186 retail stores in the West and South. These stores all specialize in new, close-out, general merchandise which is sold at substantial reductions from original retail prices. Last year the company posted $475 million in sales.

CONTACT: Michael S. Sitrick or David S. McAdam of Sitrick and Company, 213-208-1108, for Pic 'N' Save Corp.

-30- 2353

#90317p6252 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - MinVen Gold Corp. (AMEX: MVG) announces today its financial results for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

MinVen recorded a third quarter consolidated earnings of Cdn$263,340 or

Cdn$0.01 per share, compared with consolidated earnings of Cdn$1,111,447 or Cdn$0.05 per share in the corresponding 1989 quarter.

Consolidated revenues for the quarter were Cdn$14,038,008 on sales of 31,561 ounces of gold and 112,119 ounces of silver compared to Cdn$14,830,700 on sales of 30,980 ounces of gold and 52,423 ounces of silver in the third quarter of 1989. Consolidated revenues do not include proceeds of Cdn$1,623,136 realized on the sale of 3,421 ounces of gold and 15,000 ounces of silver which reduced the cost of developing the Golden Reward Mine into commercial production.

MinVen recorded a nine-month consolidated loss of Cdn$3,839,324 or Cdn$0.13 per share compared with consolidated earnings of Cdn$193,826 or Cdn$0.01 per share in the corresponding period of 1990. Consolidated revenues for the first nine months were Cdn$32,666,664 on sales of 69,543 ounces of gold and 254,903 ounces of silver compared to Cdn$34,698,603 on sales of 71,745 ounces of gold and 139,798 ounces of silver in the first nine months of 1989.

Consolidated cash flow from operations amounted to Cdn$3.4 million during the third quarter of 1990 compared to Cdn$4.6 million in the comparable period of 1989.

"While nine-month results for 1990 were affected by lower gold prices and higher costs at several of MinVen's mines during the early part of the year," said James A. Anderson, president and chief executive officer, "the third quarter results, both income and cash flow, reflect the progress MinVen has made in surmounting its operating problems at the Gilt Edge Mine, progressing in the start-up of the Golden Reward Mine, and strengthening its financial position."

MinVen Gold is a publicly held, Denver-based mining company with interests in five operating mines in the U.S. and Canada. Its shares are traded on the American, Toronto and Vancouver stock exchanges under the symbol MVG.

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#90317p6254 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that 2,789,920 common shares of Environmental Tectonics Corporation of Southampton, Pa., began trading today. As the only company with a proven ability to simulate conditions and effects experienced in a variety of environments, Environmental Tectonics specializes in the technology of environmental simulation in the air, on land and under sea. The company previously traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ENVT.

Trading under ticker symbol ETC, the common stock opened on 100 shares at

3-1/4.

Environmental Tectonics uses advanced technologies that relate to pressure, heat flow, vacuum, stress and fluid flow to design, manufacture, install and support systems which simulate, modify, control and measure environmental conditions and their effects. The company's high technology equipment simulates the conditions and effects experienced by temperature, humidity pressure, gas content, gravitational forces and disorientation illusions.

Environmental Tectonics serves customers worldwide in the aeromedical aviation training system/flight simulator, pharmaceutical, medical device, hospital, hyperbaric medicine, automotive and industrial sterilization industries.

The company reported unaudited net income of $747,000, or $.26 per share, on revenues of $10,737,000 for the six months ended Aug. 24, 1990, compared with net income of $442,000, or $.16 per share, on revenues of $9,808,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Arkla, Inc. (NYSE: ALG) and Diversified Energies, Inc. (DEI) (NYSE: DEI) announced that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission stated it will meet Nov. 20, 1990 to reconsider its decision last week to disapprove the proposed merger of Minnegasco -- the natural gas distribution company of DEI -- into Arkla.

Arkla and DEI are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbols ALG and DEI, respectively.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of SunTrust Banks Inc. (NYSE: STI) today approved a 9.5 percent increase in the dividend paid on the company's common stock.

Today's action by the board raises the indicated annual dividend rate from $.84 to $.92 per common share.

A quarterly cash dividend at the new rate of $.23 per common share was declared payable Dec. 15 to shareholders of record Dec. 1. The current quarterly dividend totals $29.2 million on the approximately 126.8 million

shares of SunTrust common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Thomas C. Duer, 404-588-8912, or James C. Armstrong, 404-588-7425, both of SunTrust Banks.

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EAST HILLS, NY (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - At a time when the United States' stature in science and technology and its global competitiveness are being questioned, the White House paid tribute to a group of scientists and engineers who have excelled in applying their scientific acumen to advances in technology which have been successfully commercialized.

Dr. David B. Pall, founder of Pall Corporation (AMEX: PLL), was awarded the National Medal of Technology by President George Bush, at a ceremony held at the White House today.

The medal, America's highest honor in technology, is awarded annually by the president of United States to recognize those who have made exceptional contributions to the well-being of the nation, through the development and application of technology.

The award was granted to Pall for successfully coupling inventive scientific research on the fundamentals of filtration with engineering technology, to provide a 40-year series of products which have significantly improved safety, efficiency, and economy across a wide spectrum of industrial and health activities.

These include filters and other porous devices used in medicine, biotechnology pharmaceuticals, microelectronics, food processing, aircraft, chemical processing, and many other industries.

Pall had been granted 108 U.S. patents. His most recent project has resulted in a filter, now in use in several thousand hospitals, which is highly beneficial to patients receiving blood transfusions.

Pall Corporation, now with sales of almost $600 million a year, has a global reach and is the leading fine filter company in Europe and Japan as well as in the United States.

Pall Corporation is headquartered in Glen Cove, N.Y. The company is the international leader in the design, manufacture, and marketing of filters and other fluid clarification devices which serve the health care, aeropower, and fluid processing markets. The company employs 6,300 people at offices and manufacturing facilities throughout the world.

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DENVER (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlas Corporation (NYSE: AZ) announced today that its Board of Directors has appointed Richard J. Kehmeier vice president of exploration. Kehmeier will direct the company's domestic and international exploration efforts.

"Dick Kehmeier has been a valuable member of our exploration team for over seven years and has demonstrated considerable technical skill and strong leadership ability. I firmly believe that Dick has the capability both to direct our exploration efforts and to continue developing Atlas' precious metal reserves," said Richard R. Weaver, president and chief executive officer of Atlas Corporation.

Dick Kehmeier joined Atlas in 1983, most recently serving as manager of U.S. exploration. He has been instrumental in building the company's 1.5 million ounces of proven and probable mineable gold reserve. He played an important role in the discovery of the Goldstone, Gold Ridge and Gold Pick satellite deposits as well as the key role in the discovery of the 995,900-ounce Grassy Mountain gold and silver deposit in Malheur County, Ore.

Prior to working for Atlas Corporation, Kehmeier was a geologist with Union Carbide Corporation, the Anaconda Company and the Midwest Oil Company. He earned a B.S. in Geological Engineering and an M.S. in Geology from the Colorado School of Mines in Golden, Colo. Kehmeier is a native of Colorado, where he resides with his wife and three children.

Atlas Corporation is a mining company whose primary business is gold exploration and production. The company has exploration efforts underway in several western states, with significant gold discoveries in Nevada and Oregon. The company currently produces 80,000 ounces of gold per year from its Gold Bar Mill in Nevada and is planning to produce an additional 100,000 ounces of gold per year from its Grassy Mountain deposit, beginning by mid-1993.

CONTACT: Robbin A. Lee of Atlas, 303-825-1200

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#90317p6265 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUTCHINSON, KS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Doskocil Companies Incorporated (NASDAQ: DOSKQ) today announced a net loss of $5,760,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, compared to a net loss of $6,407,000 for the quarter ended June 30, 1990. However, the company recorded an operating profit of $2,817,000 in the third quarter of 1990 compared with an operating profit of $2,042,000 in the second quarter of the year, continuing the improvement trend

noted in the second quarter.

Doskocil's loss from continuing operations before reorganization items for the third quarter was $2,316,000 compared to a loss of $3,233,000 in the second quarter of 1990. The results of continuing operations for the third quarter of 1990 included a non-cash charge of $750,000 as a provision for loss on sale of its subsidiary, Golden Harbor Seafoods, Inc. For the third quarter of 1990 special reorganization charges totaled $3,444,000 and increased the net loss to $5,760,000. In the second quarter, the net loss of $6,407,000 included reorganization charges of $3,174,000.

Net sales in the third quarter of 1990 totaled $99.1 million for a 4.6 percent increase over the second quarter's net sales. The third quarter of 1989 posted net sales of $134.0 million, but those results included sales of $34.9 million from Anderson Meats, a subsidiary which was sold in the fourth quarter of 1989.

Ted Myers, senior vice president and chief financial officer, said "The improvement in operating profit continues to reflect the company's cost cutting programs and operating efficiencies which were implemented earlier this year. This favorable trend in operating efficiencies is expected to continue for the remainder of the year." Myers also stated, "In addition, shortly after the quarter ended, we signed a letter of intent for the sale of the Oklahoma City edible fats and oils refinery and yesterday announced the closing of one redundant meat processing facility."

Myers added that the company expects to incur further net losses during the period of restructuring because of costs related to the company's Chapter 11 filing. "However," Myers said, "the favorable trend in operating profits demonstrates the soundness of the company's core business."

Doskocil and 18 of its subsidiaries, including Wilson Foods Corporation, filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code on March 5, 1990. As had been previously announced in July, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Kansas granted the company an additional period of exclusivity to Jan. 11, 1991, for which it may propose a plan of reorganization and an additional 60 days, until March 12, as the period to solicit consents for such a plan.

Doskocil and its subsidiaries specialize in formulating, processing, marketing and distributing specialty pre-cooked value-added meat, meat toppings, pepperoni and other "deli" specialty meats. The company is a leading supplier of beef and pork toppings and pepperoni to the pizza foods service market. In addition, Doskocil and its subsidiaries supply products to grocery and independent delicatessens, numerous restaurants, food processors and institutional customers.

DOSKOCIL COMPANIES INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES

(In thousands, except per share figures)

Three months ended:	9/29/90	6/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$99,119	$94,705	$133,968
Income (loss) from cont. opers. bef. reorganization items	(2,316)	(3,233)	51
Reorganization items	3,444	3,174	--
Income (loss) from cont. opers.	(5,760)	(6,407)	51
Discontinued operations, net	--	--	(8,170)
Net loss	(5,760)	(6,407)	(8,119)
Earnings (loss) per share:			
Income (loss) from cont. operations	$(1.13)	$(1.25)	$.01
Discontinued operations	--	--	$(1.60)
Net loss	$(1.13)	$(1.25)	$(1.59)
Wtd. avg. no. of common & common equiv. shares outstanding	5,116	5,114	5,099

Nine months ended:	9/29/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$281,636	$382,722
Income (loss) from continuing operations before reorganization items	(11,691)	1,948
Reorganization items	8,195	--
Income (loss) from cont. operations	(19,886)	1,948
Discontinued operations	--	(6,089)
Net loss	(19,886)	(4,141)
Earnings (loss) per share:		
Income (loss) from continuing operations	$(3.89)	$.38
Discontinued operations	--	$(1.19)
Net loss	$(3.89)	$(.81)
Weighted average number of common & common equivalent shares outstanding, primary & fully diluted	5,115	5,096

CONTACT: Ronald L. Mercer, president and COO of Doskocil Companies, 316-663-1005, or J. Desmond Towey or Bernadette McLaughlin of Cameron Towey & Associates, 212-888-7600, for Doskocil

-30- 5500

#90317p6266 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, ILL. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Chemical Waste Management Inc. (NYSE: CHW) yesterday declared a quarterly cash dividend of four cents per share, payable Jan. 3, 1991 to stockholders of record Dec. 19, 1990.

It is the 15th consecutive quarterly dividend declared by the hazardous waste management services company.

CONTACT: Joe Pokorny of Chemical Waste Management, 708-218-1689

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#90317p6267 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
TULSA, OKLA. (NOV. 13) PR WIRE - Samson Energy Co. Limited Partnership (AMEX: SAM) announced today its declaration of a cash distribution in the amount of 40 cents per unit payable on Dec. 31, 1990, to unitholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990. A total of 4,394,417 units are outstanding.

This distribution represents the company's 20th consecutive quarterly distribution since its formation in 1986. Total cash distributed to unitholders over this period is $26,301,248, or $8.30 per unit.

Samson Energy Co. is a publicly traded master limited partnership whose principal business activities include the development and operation of oil and gas properties and the acquisition of additional producing properties. Depositary receipts evidencing units are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol SAM.

CONTACT: Dennis R. Neill of Samson Properties Inc., 918-583-2792

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#90317p6268 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Petroleum Equipment Tools Co. (NASDAQ: PTCO) today reported a net profit of $1.1 million, or $.07 per share, on revenues of $12.9 million for the third quarter of 1990. This compares to a net loss of $1.2 million, or $.11 per share, on revenues of $8.8 million during the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company had a net profit of $1.2 million, or $.08 per share, on revenues of $35.4 million. The corresponding period of 1989 reflected a loss of $6.3 million, or $.60 per share, on revenues of $24.1 million.

Petroleum Equipment Tools Co. (PETCO) rents quality drill pipe and fishing and rental tools for drilling and workover operations to the oil and gas industry in the United States and the North Sea.

CONTACT: Michael A. Dupre, controller of Petroleum Equipment Tools, 713-627-1300

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#90317p6269 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
BLOOMINGTON, MINN. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Discus Corporation (NASDAQ: DISC), a Bloomington, Minn.-based restaurant company, reported today a net profit of $106,103 or $.05 per share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net profit of $82,767 or $.04 per share during the third

quarter of 1989. Sales decreased 7.6 percent to $4,078,427 during the third quarter of 1990 from $4,410,929 in the year ago period.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company lost $132,892, or ($.06) per share compared to a net profit of $101,166 or $.05 per share in the year ago period. Sales were $12,242,561 during the first nine months of 1990 (39 weeks), off 3.3 percent from $12,656,111 in the year ago period (40 weeks).

During the quarter Discus benefited from a $144,200 reduction in marketing expenditures versus last year. Mike Platt, Discus president, said that, "This lower level of couponing and promotion activity is the primary factor responsible for the third quarter's lower sales compared to last year."

Discus Corporation operates nine Fuddruckers restaurants in Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minn.; Milwaukee, Wis.; St. Louis, Mo.; and Omaha, Neb. The company's common stock is traded over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol DISC.

CONTACT: Mike Platt or Steve Jones of Discus, 612-831-2326

-30- 1504

#90317p6275 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

Flakt Alpha, has been awarded a contract to build a new automotive paint facility at Ford of Canada's Oakville Assembly Plant. The project value is estimated at more than $200 million.

Fluor Daniel's Industrial Sector will provide engineering, procurement, construction and project management for the 750,000- square-foot paint plant to be built adjacent to Ford's car assembly plant in Oakville, Ontario, Canada 25 miles west of Toronto. The Oakville Assembly Plant, with an annual capacity of 226,000 vehicles, produces Ford Tempo and Mercury Topaz models for the Canadian and U.S. markets.

Ford has contracted Fluor Daniel and ABB Flakt Alpha to provide design, fabrication, installation, start-up, training and maintenance program development for paint process equipment, conveyors, automation and facilities.

Engineering is under way in Fluor Daniel's Greenville, S.C., and Toronto offices and at Flakt Alpha's Detroit offices. The construction and equipment installation workforce is expected to reach 900. Project completion is scheduled for early 1992.

The project is a joint venture between Fluor Daniel and ABB Flakt Alpha, a member of Zurich-based Asea Brown Boveri Group. ABB Flakt provides products and services for automotive paint finishing systems in 35 countries worldwide.

Fluor Daniel Inc., Fluor Corp.'s (NYSE: FLR) principal subsidiary, is an international engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services company with more than 50 offices around the world.

CONTACT: Deborah Land (media), 714-975-3971, or Lila Churney (investors), 714-975-3909, both of Fluor Corp.

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#90317p6278 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Fluor Daniel announced today that it has been awarded a contract by Netherlands-based Nederlandse Aardolie Maatschappij B.V. for a major North Sea oil production complex. The value of the contract is approximately $14 million.

Fluor Daniel's Hydrocarbon Sector will provide detailed engineering and procurement for an oil and gas production platform complex to be located 160 miles offshore on the Dutch Continental Shelf in the North Sea. The scope of work consists of a single lift 6,000-ton drilling and production platform deck connected by bridge to a separate platform with living quarters, control room and helideck. Gas production rates are expected to reach 125-million-cubic-feet-per-day and 24,000-barrels-per-day. The complex will utilize the latest North Sea safety standards and technology.

Engineering is under way in Fluor Daniel's Haarlem, The Netherlands, offices with engineering completion scheduled for late 1991. Manpower is expected to peak at 110 personnel.

The produced oil will be stored in a concrete gravity base substructure on the ocean floor for transport via submarine pipeline to a shuttle tanker mooring located 1.5 miles from the platform. NAM is a Dutch oil company equally owned by Shell and Esso Europe (Exxon).

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#90317p6281 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

OMAHA, NEB. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Pamida Holdings Corporation (AMEX: PAM) today reported fiscal 1991 third-quarter net income of $463,000, compared to fiscal 1990 third-quarter net income of $1,187,000. Pamida's current fiscal year ends on Feb. 3, 1991.

Sales for the quarter totalled $159,468,000, a 4.1 percent increase over sales for the third quarter of last year. Operating income before non-recurring expense was $7,947,000, or $385,000 less than that reported for the same

period last year. Net income available for common stock for the third quarter of fiscal 1991 was $151,000, or 3 cents per common share, compared to fiscal 1990 third-quarter net income available for common stock of $877,000, or 18 cents per common share.

For the first nine months of the year, Pamida Holdings Corporation posted net income of $2,249,000 on sales of $468,560,000. This compares to last year's nine-month net income of $2,459,000 on sales of $439,248,000. Net income available for common stock for the first nine months of fiscal 1991 was $1,314,000, or 26 cents per common share, compared to net income available for common stock for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 of $1,529,000, or 31 cents per common share.

Richard W. Ramm, executive vice president and chief financial officer of the company, said that the lower earnings during the third quarter of this year resulted in part from non-recurring expenses of $428,000 incurred by the company in connection with a public offering of Pamida Holdings Corporation common stock owned by Citicorp Venture Capital, Ltd. Ramm said that the non-recurring expenses also stemmed in part from a previously proposed public offering of common stock by the company. He also noted that unusually warm weather during the third quarter had an adverse effect on sales of many seasonal items.

Pamida currently owns and operates under the "Pamida" name 174 general merchandise discount department stores in 12 Midwestern, North Central and Rocky Mountain states. The company believes that it is the leading discount store operator in 64 percent of the communities it serves and the second-leading discount store operator in 30 percent of these communities. Pamida stores provide one-stop family shopping convenience for a wide variety of national brand name and other general merchandise.

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#90317p6282 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - During August, Monoclonal Medical, Inc. (NASDAQ: MEMOA) successfully undertook preliminary phase I clinical trials in humans with the proprietary monoclonal antibody designated WM66.

A 59-year-old male with advanced refractory lymphocytic lymphoma was selected for treatment with WM66. The antibody was infused intravenously over two hours daily in increasing dosages up to 30 milligrams, given in five days. No significant toxic side effects were detected. The peripheral blood white cell count fell by up to 50 percent immediately after each infusion. At the conclusion of the therapy, peripheral blood white cell count had declined by 50 percent. During the five days of therapy the patient's spleen size had

reduced by more than 25 percent.

Monoclonal Medical, Inc. has been awarded or applied for international patents in respect of WM66.

The initial phase I trial has concluded that WM66 produces cytroreduction when infused intravenously in a patient with Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma (NHL), without evidence of toxicity. The company has proceeded to refine further pharmaceutical quality monoclonal antibody, WM66 to undertake further phase I clinical trials before proceeding to a multicenter phase II trial with this antibody.

The company has obtained regulatory approval to undertake a further three phase I patient trials in December 1990 and January 1991.

The success of this initial phase I trial opens a number of options to the company in the development of effective therapeutic monoclonals for the treatment of adult leukemia and lymphoma. Amongst these options is the application of leading scientific technology to produce "humanized" therapeutic monoclonal antibodies.

The company has commenced a program of publicizing the results of its initial phase I clinical trial through scientific literature and medical networks. The company proposes to actively pursue further trials with the unconjugated monoclonal WM66 given its demonstrated efficacy.

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#90317p6284 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOMERVILLE, NJ (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - UNIMED, Inc. (NASDAQ: UMED) announced today that, effective Jan. 1, 1991, Dr. Harold J. Tenoso has been elected chairman and chief executive officer and Charles P. Harrison has been elected president and treasurer. Paul V. Bollenbacher, who will retire from his position as chairman, will continue to serve as a consultant to the company and remain on UNIMED's board of directors as chairman emeritus.

Dr. Tenoso, president since 1986 and chief executive officer since 1989, joined UNIMED in 1985 as executive vice president. Prior to joining the company, he was general manager of a division of Organon Inc., serving previously in senior management positions in operations, research and development, and technical marketing.

Harrison, executive vice president since 1989 and treasurer since April 1990, joined UNIMED in 1986 as vice president sales, marketing and business development. He previously served in senior sales and marketing positions with SmithKline Beckman and Organon Inc.

"Mr. Bollenbacher has been a major influence in the growth of UNIMED and we are grateful for his contributions," said Dr. Tenoso. "His retirement as chairman will allow him more time to spend with his family and to pursue other interests. We are pleased that he will continue to serve the company."

Dr. Tenoso went on to say, "Fiscal 1990 was a year of accomplishment for UNIMED with successes in our development programs, the sales growth of Marinol (R) (dronabinol) and the introduction of Marinol outside the United States. Our financial objective is to achieve breakeven performance during fiscal 1991 and, as our products continue to advance, establish key alliances to accelerate the development of our business."

UNIMED, Inc., specializes in the development and marketing of new pharmaceuticals, with emphasis on cancer therapy and supportive care of cancer patients. The company has already brought two pharmaceuticals to market and has a portfolio of drugs in various stages of development.

CONTACT: Harold J. Tenoso, president and chief executive officer of UNIMED, 201-526-6894, or Robert P. Borchert of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for UNIMED

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#90317p6288 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

STURBRIDGE, MASS. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - SpecTran Corporation (NASDAQ: SPTR) today announced completion of an agreement with Allen and Company Incorporated to convert SpecTran's $600,000 unsecured 9 percent note payable to Allen into 342,857 shares of SpecTran voting common stock.

Also as part of the agreement, Allen's previously existing warrant to purchase 250,000 shares of SpecTran voting common stock at an exercise price of $4.74 per share until Aug. 14, 1993, was amended to increase the number of shares by 100,000, for a total of 350,000 shares, with adjustments in the exercise price to $2 and the life of the warrant to Aug. 14, 1999. Based on the market value of the stock at the early September date on which all major terms were agreed to, the stock conversion price was at a 47 percent premium to market and the exercise price was at a 68 percent premium to market. After the conversion shares are issued, Allen will own 9.5 percent of the company's outstanding stock, and if the entire Allen warrant were exercised, Allen would own approximately 15.5 percent.

Also as part of the Allen agreement, two warrants totaling 50,000 shares originally held by Allen and obtained by a present and a former director as a result of an earlier agreement between Allen and its then appointees to SpecTran's board, were also amended to a $2 per share exercise price and to a life of the warrants to Aug. 14, 1999, with no increase in the number of shares. The original terms of these warrants were the same as the Allen

warrant.

Commenting on the agreement, SpecTran's president and chief executive officer, Raymond E. Jaeger, said, "As a result of this conversion, SpecTran's balance sheet has been further strengthened, eliminating the $600,000 cash payment previously scheduled for 1993 as well as three annual interest payments of $54,000 each, for a total cash savings of $762,000. The company has had a longstanding relationship with Allen which began in 1981 when Allen provided the company's start- up private placement financing. We are pleased with the confidence shown by Allen in SpecTran's future by converting this debt to an equity position."

SpecTran Corporation develops, manufactures and markets glass optical fibers.

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-30- 2489

#90317p6289 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Penn Central Corporation (NYSE: PC) announced that it has reached an agreement in principle with American Financial Corporation ("AFC") for the purchase by Penn Central of AFC's non-standard automobile insurance group (the "NSA Group") for $335 million in cash, subject to certain closing adjustments. The purchase price is subject to further modification in 1995, based on actual 1991-94 pre-tax earnings of this business, by a reduction of up to $20 million or an increase of up to $40 million, in each case plus interest.

AFC's previously announced purchase price proposal of $408 million had included the sale of the NSA Group's excess and surplus lines business. The transaction has now been restructured to exclude the excess and surplus lines business without reducing the book value of the automobile insurance business to be purchased. The book value of this business at Sept. 30, 1990, was approximately $210 million.

A special committee of independent Penn Central directors, which had been appointed to review and negotiate the transaction, recommended approval of the terms of the transaction after completion of its negotiations. The special committee relied in part on an opinion of Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated that the financial terms of the transaction are fair to the shareholders of Penn Central (other than AFC, which owns approximately 42 percent of Penn Central's common shares).

Under the proposed terms of the transaction, all non-investment grade securities and real estate interests and all equity securities (other than shares of Chiquita Brands International, Inc., an AFC affiliate) in the investment portfolios of the NSA Group will be replaced prior to closing with cash and marketable securities without additional cost to Penn Central. After

the closing, investment decisions with respect to the approximately 915,000 Chiquita shares remaining in the portfolios, representing approximately 2.25 percent of the Chiquita shares outstanding, would be vested in the independent directors on Penn Central's executive committee.

In addition, AFC, through its insurance affiliate, will provide stop-loss protection which, in effect, guarantees the adequacy of all reserves of the NSA Group (net of reinsurance and salvage recoveries) related to events occurring prior to 1991 under policies written by the NSA Group.

The NSA Group being purchased consists principally of Atlanta Casualty Company Windsor Insurance Company and the automobile insurance business of Stonewall Insurance Company. These companies insure risks not typically accepted for standard automobile insurance coverage because of the applicant's driving record, type of vehicle, age, or other criteria. AFC estimates that the NSA Group is the fifth largest writer of non-standard automobile insurance in the United States.

Net premiums earned by the NSA Group's non-standard automobile insurance business have grown at an annual rate of 17 percent over the past three calendar years. The NSA Group reported net premiums earned for this business of $318 million for the full year 1989 and $314 million for the first nine months of 1990. Including results expected for 1990, the NSA Group's non-standard automobile insurance business will have earned an underwriting profit in each of the past four years other than 1988, when its combined ratio was 100.2 percent. Pre-tax income attributable to this business is estimated to have been $39.5 million in 1989 and $31.3 million for the first nine months of 1990. At Sept. 30, 1990, the total cash and invested assets of the NSA Group relating to its non-standard automobile insurance business were approximately $400 million.

Penn Central operates businesses primarily in the areas of industrial manufacturing, defense services, insurance and energy.

CONTACT: Robert M. Burton of The Penn Central Corporation, 513-579-6618

-30- 4154

#90317p6295 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Foods Corporation (NYSE/PSE: UFC) today announced the election of three corporate officers: Jacqueline M. Beaudry, vice president - human resources; John T. Pool, president - frozen foods division; and Mark W. Hayden, vice president - sales, frozen foods division.

Beaudry joined Universal with 16 years of experience with the Vollrath Company and Eaton Corporation. She holds a BBA degree from the State University of New York-Buffalo and a master of science degree from the University of

Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Pool was formerly chief executive officer of Rittenhouse Food Corporation and has prior experience with RJR Nabisco and Central Soya. He is a graduate of Texas Tech University.

Hayden joined Universal Foods with its 1986 acquisition of Rogers Walla Walla in Pasco, Wash., which he joined after graduating from Washington State University in 1983.

Universal Foods is an international manufacturer and marketer of value-added food products. These include food flavors, food colors, the world's most diversified lines of frozen potato and yeast products and dehydrated vegetables.

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-30- 1390

#90317p6296 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - McCormick Capital, Inc. (NASDAQ: MKOR) announced today the results of the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $2,054,879 compared to $2,590,954 during the same period last year. Net income for the three-month period was $100,023 ($.07 per share) compared to $205,503 ($.08 per share) for the third quarter last year.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $5,714,565 compared with $7,883,673 for this period in 1989. There was a net loss of $23,885 (-$.02 per share) compared to income of $396,145 ($.16 per share) for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Peter Dauchy, president of McCormick Capital, Inc., said, "We are gratified that our efforts to refocus the company from any retail orientation to the more credit stable aspects of futures investment limited partnerships appear to be coming to fruition. We have structured our organization to provide the company with better control and economy in bringing commodity pool offerings, and expect that our subsidiary, McCormick Futures Management, Inc., will be bringing a new fund early in 1991."

Dauchy went on to say, "We continue to pursue lower interest payments through our buyback program of McCormick Capital subordinated notes and during the third quarter purchased in the open market $151,000 in par value of these notes brining our total for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 to $318,000. We also announced, during the third quarter, approval by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, for McCormick Futures Management, Inc. to become the general partner and commodity pool operator for seven commodity funds previously associated with Stotler

Funds, Inc. Under the terms of the transaction approved by the district court McCormick Futures Management, Inc. will subscribe for units of general partnership and will pay a premium based on the net asset value of the funds at the closing, which is expected prior to the end of the year and is subject to certain conditions.''

McCormick Capital, Inc. is engaged in various aspects of the commodity futures and securities industry, including futures brokerage and organization and management of futures investment limited partnerships.

McCORMICK CAPITAL, INC.
UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME
for the period Jan. 1 to Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989

	July 1, 1990 Sept. 30, 1990	Jan. 1, 1990 Sept. 30, 1990
Revenues:		
Commissions	$ 1,001,275	$ 2,915,615
Interest income	958,777	2,709,787
Other income	94,827	89,163
Total	$ 2,054,879	$ 5,714,565
Expenses:		
Commissions and clearing costs	736,244	2,168,789
Interest	642,980	1,961,821
Other	534,632	1,611,840
Total	$ 1,913,856	$ 5,742,450
Income (Loss) before taxes	141,023	(27,885)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	41,000	(4,000)
Net income (loss)	$ 100,023	$ (23,885)
Earnings (loss) per share	$ .07	$ (.02)

	July 1, 1989 Sept. 30, 1989	Jan. 1, 1989 Sept. 30, 1989
Revenues		
Commissions	$ 1,375,641	$ 4,177,115
Interest income	1,203,391	3,543,211
Other income	11,922	163,347
Total	$ 2,590,954	$ 7,883,673
Expenses:		
Commissions and clearing costs	1,026,827	3,254,849
Interest	868,070	2,543,582
Other	391,449	1,512,772
Total	$ 2,286,346	$ 7,311,203
Income (Loss) before taxes	304,608	572,470

Provision (Benefit) for income taxes	99,105	176,325
Net Income (Loss)	$ 205,503	$ 396,145
Earnings (Loss) per share	$ .08	.16

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CHICAGO, (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Great American Management and Investment Inc. (NASDAQ: GAMI) today reported the audited results of its operations for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990.

GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT AND INVESTMENT INC.
(Amounts in millions, except per-share amounts)

Year ended July 31	1990	1989
Total revenues	$2,092.3	$1,334.0
Less:		
Costs of goods sold and services provided	(1,573.3)	(987.7)
Selling, administrative and other expenses	(310.4)	(210.3)
Other expense	(1.0)	(9.4)
Interest expense, net	(144.2)	(77.0)
Income from continuing opers. bef. inc. taxes	63.4	49.6
Income tax on continuing operations	(25.9)	(37.2)
Income from continuing operations	37.5	12.4
Discontinued operations:		
(Loss) from discontinued opers., net of tax	(5.0)	(.5)
Gain on disposal of discontinued business, net of 19.2 million of tax	16.5	--
Inc. bef. minority interest & extraord. item	49.0	11.9
Minority interest	8.3	9.7
Income before extraordinary item	40.7	2.2
Extraordinary item	6.9	--
Net income	$47.6	$ 2.2
Per common share:		
Continuing operations	$2.63	$ .10
Discontinued operations	1.04	(.04)
Extraordinary item	.62	--
Net income	$4.29	$ .06

Fiscal 1989 results have been reclassified for discontinued operations. The extraordinary item represents the utilization of tax benefits of net operating loss carryforwards in the year ended July 31, 1990.

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Investment

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#90317p6311 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines today said it flew 1.15 billion revenue passenger miles and had a 55.02 percent load factor in October. Capacity was 2.09 billion available seat miles; passenger boardings were 1.60 million.

Eastern said that while October traffic results reflect the traditional seasonal slowdown, yield per revenue passenger mile was 28 percent higher than in October, 1989 due to an increase in traffic from business flyers.

In October 1989 Eastern flew 1.30 billion revenue passenger miles, with capacity of 2.05 billion available seat miles and a 63.14 percent load factor. Passenger boardings were 1.8 million.

Easten currently operates about 800 daily flights to more than 70 cities.

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#90317p6313 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
BRENTWOOD, NY (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Allou Health & Beauty Care, Inc. (AMEX: ALU), a premier distributor of health and beauty aids on the Atlantic Seaboard today announced record operating revenues and earnings for the second quarter and first half ended Sept. 30, 1990.

"Second quarter earnings from operations were up 43 percent on a 36 percent rise in revenues. The company achieved these increases as a result of expanding its core business, making faster than anticipated gains in its newly added packaged food division and further extending its nationwide sales of its higher margin cosmetic items through catalog marketing to chains. In addition the products we distribute are basic items which are unaffected by recessionary pressures. We expect this trend to continue and to report record revenues and earnings for the year," Herman Jacobs, president, said.

Sales for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 36 percent to $23,665,028 from $17,418,235 in the same period last year. Operating earnings for the quarter were up 43 percent to $326,773, or $0.13, an increase of 44 percent per share, on 2,580,000 shares outstanding, from $228,445, or $0.09 per share, on 2,580,000 restated shares outstanding in the same quarter a year ago. Due to an award of $610,000, which was reduced by legal fees and other expenses, in its suit against Computer Associates International, overall net profit for the second quarter was $586,727, or $0.23 per share.

Sales for the first half were $43,653,883, an increase of 23 percent, compared to sales of $35,365,491 in the first six months of last year. Operating profit for the first half was $595,511, or $0.23 per share, on 2,580,000 shares outstanding, an increase of 28 percent, against $463,882, or $0.18 per share, on 2,580,000 restated shares outstanding in the same period last year. Due to an award of $610,000, which was reduced by legal fees and other expenses, in its suit against Computer Associates International, overall net profit for the first half is $855,465, or $0.33 per share.

Allou is in its strongest financial position with a credit line today of $28,000,000 and minimal long-term debt.

CONTACT: David Shamilzadeh, chief financial officer of Allou Health & Beauty Care, 516-273-4000; or Sherry Spalter of the Wall Street Group, 212-344-9131, for Allou

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#90317p6316 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - National Media Corporation (NYSE: NM) achieved a more than 60 percent gain in net income on an increase of more than 100 percent in net revenues for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as forecast in its public statement of Nov. 5, acting President David E. Baxter announced today.

Net revenues for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $39,086,200, an increase of 102 percent over $19,366,300 recorded in the second quarter last year. Net income was up 63 percent to $1,436,800, or 13 cents per share, compared to $881,200, or 8 cents per share (adjusted for a 5 percent stock dividend), in the same quarter a year ago.

Net revenues for the six months were up 150 percent to $91,723,500 against $36,723,300 for the first half last year. Net income showed more than a 230 percent rise to $4,513,200, or 40 cents per share, as compared to $1,357,700, or 12 cents per share (adjusted for a 5 percent stock dividend), for the same period last year.

NATIONAL MEDIA CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
(Consolidated, Unaudited)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Net revenues	$39,086,200	$19,366,300	102
Total operating cost & expenses	37,223,200	18,298,700	103
Income before income taxes	1,863,000	1,067,600	75
Income taxes	426,200	186,400	129
Net income	1,436,800	881,200	63
Net income per share	$.13	$.08(A)	63

Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	11,383,600	11,165,400(A)

Six months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Net revenues	$91,723,500	$36,723,300	150
Total operating cost & expenses	85,313,600	35,121,000	143
Income before income taxes	6,409,900	1,602,300	300
Income taxes	1,896,700	244,600	675
Net income	4,513,200	1,357,700	232
Net income per share	$.40	$.12(A)	233
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	11,407,200	11,134,100(A)	

(A) -- Adjusted for 5 percent stock dividend.

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#90317p6318 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGDALE, N.Y. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Medical Action Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: MDCI) reported its results for the second quarter of fiscal 1991.

MEDICAL ACTION INDUSTRIES
(Unaudited; in thousands)

Periods ended Sept. 30	Three months 1990	Three months 1989	Six months 1990	Six months 1989
Net sales	$6,655	$7,143	$13,246	$13,188
Inc. before taxes	86	167	133	22
Net income	99	151	133	14
Earnings per share	$.02	$.03	$.03	$.00
Wtd. avg. number of shares outstanding	5,021	5,038	5,021	5,102

Sales for the second quarter were $6,655,000 which were 6.8 percent lower than last year's second-quarter sales of $7,143,000. For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the net sales were $13,246,000 which were .5 percent higher than the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989, of $13,188,000. The company continued to experience strong unit growth and sales price stability in its laparotomy sponge line partially offset by reduced operating room towel sales due to import quota restrictions.

Net income for the second quarter was $99,000, or $.02 per share, compared to $151,000, or $.03 per share, for the second quarter of last year. Net income for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $133,000, or $.03 per share, compared to $14,000, or $.00 per share, for the six months ended Sept. 30,

1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the company was not in compliance with certain financial covenants in its bank loan agreements which necessitated the classifying of the loans as short term instead of long term and in default. The company is in discussions with the bank and anticipates obtaining waivers from the bank for the non-compliance.

Medical Action Industries Inc. is a leading domestic supplier of medical disposable lap sponges and markets a variety of surgical-related products.

CONTACT: Paul V. Rossi, VP of Medical Action Industries, 516-249-6620

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#90317p6321 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOWNSVIEW, ONTARIO (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - ALM Antillean Airlines this week introduced the 50-passenger Dash 8 Series 300 from Boeing Canada, de Havilland Division, to its scheduled services from Curacao to Bonaire, Aruba and the Venezuelan cities of Valencia and Caracas.

ALM becomes the first airline to offer Dash 8 Series 300 service into South America and third in the Caribbean to modernize its fleet with the Canadian-built turboprop airliners. The fuel-efficient Dash 8s provide pressurized, air conditioned cabin comfort with four-abreast center-aisle seating, overhead bins, galley and lavatory facilities.

ALM has leased two Series 300s from the AGES group of companies (the second scheduled to enter service by month's end). The Dash 8s replace F-27s on the airline's regional route structure and complement ALM's three MD82s which provide services throughout the rest of the Caribbean and to North America.

Worldwide, there are orders for 341 Dash 8s among 47 operators in 18 countries. To date, 231 (203 37/39-passenger Series 100s and 28 50/56-passenger Series 300s) have been delivered.

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#90317p6324 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Optelecom (NASDAQ: OPTC) announced the signing of an OEM agreement with Cardkey Systems, Inc. of Simi Valley, Calif. Under this agreement Cardkey will buy Optelecom products used in security/surveillance applications.

For over 40 years Cardkey has been a world leader in the design, manufacture, and supply of advanced electronic access control systems. Cardkey has

manufacturing plants in the United States and the United Kingdom supported by global distribution network. Cardkey is a wholly owned subsidiary of Abloy Security headquartered in Finland.

Optelecom designs, develops and manufactures different types of fiber optic interfaces used in wide ranging applications of transmitting data, video, voice, graphics, etc., in the military and government, industrial process control, security/surveillance, and financial trading markets.

CONTACT: H.K. Jain, vice president, Optelecom, Inc., 301-840-2121.

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#90317p6325 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

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#90317p6332 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Phoenix Resource Companies Inc. (PSE: PHN) today reported income of $1.6 million, or 10 cents per common share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, on revenues of $7.8 million. For the same period of 1989 the company reported a loss of $1 million on revenues of $5.8 million. On a pro forma basis, adjusting for the effects of the reorganization which became effective in April 1990, the loss for the third quarter of 1989 would have been $1.1 million, or 7 cents per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, income of $2.5 million on revenues of $17.3 million was reported, compared to a loss of $4.3 million on revenues of $20.6 million for the same period of 1989. On a pro forma basis, income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, would have been $0.2 million, or 1 cent per common share, compared to a loss of $4.5 million, or 27 cents per common

share, for the same period of 1989.

The Phoenix Resource Companies Inc. is an oil and gas exploration and production company headquartered in Oklahoma City, Okla., with its primary producing properties in the Western Desert of the Arab Republic of Egypt. It is the successor to Texas International Co. by reorganization which became effective in April 1990.

CONTACT: Debora Bingham of The Phoenix Resource Companies Inc., 405-728-5100

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#90317p6333 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

JERSEY CITY, N.J. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Siggi B. Wilzig, chairman and president of The Trustcompany Bancorporation (NASDAQ: TCBC) parent company of The Trust Company of New Jersey, announced that the bank's net income for the nine months and quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $15,498,000 and $3,908,000 respectively.

Wilzig further announced "In the third quarter even though we increased the provision for possible loan losses due to the continuing softness of New Jersey's economy, the bank's earnings continued to be strong."

Wilzig stated, "Our earnings performance can be attributed to the bank's conservative investment and loan policies. We have never held any "junk bonds" nor have we made any foreign loans or entered into real estate joint ventures."

The board of directors declared the regular quarterly dividend of $.14 per share payable Dec. 3, 1990. The annual dividend was increased 17 percent in August of this year.

In the third quarter the bank instituted a program to repurchase up to 400,000 shares of its own stock in the open market. The board considers this to be an opportune time to purchase shares of the bank since the overall industry climate has brought the market price of the stock below book value.

THE TRUSTCOMPANY BANCORPORATION

Periods Ended	Nine months		Three months	
Sept. 30,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net income	$15,498,000	$15,883,000	$3,908,000	$5,013,000
Per common share	$1.57	$1.59	$.39	$.50(A)

(A) -- Adjusted for 2 for 1 stock split effective August 1990.

CONTACT: Siggi B. Wilzig of the Trustcompany Bancorporation, 201-420-2800

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#90317p6335 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROLLING MEADOWS, ILL. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. (NYSE: AJG) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 15 cents per share on the common stock of the company, payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 31, 1990.

Arthur J. Gallagher & Co., an international insurance brokerage and risk management services firm, is headquartered in Rolling Meadows, Ill.

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#90317p6337 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
ANDREWS, S.C. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Phoenix Medical Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: PHNX) reported sales of $3,343,000 for the quarter ended September 23 1990, a decrease of 3 percent from the third quarter of 1989. A net loss of $1,166,000, $.59 per share, was incurred as compared with a net loss of $734,000, $.37 per share, for the prior year quarter. The prior year quarter included an income tax credit of $130,000.

Net sales for the nine-month period ended September 23, 1990 were $11,047,000, a decrease of 2 percent from the first nine months of 1989. A net loss of $2,848,000, $1.45 per share, was incurred as compared with a net loss of $1,577,000, $.80 per share, for the first nine months of the prior year.

Because of continuing severe market conditions, it is unlikely that the Company will be able to recover its original cost of machinery, equipment, buildings, improvements and land. The Company is in the process of restructuring its operations to accommodate current market conditions. As a result, the Company expects to record write-downs of asset values and other restructuring charges in excess of $5,000,000. The amounts of the write-down and restructuring charges are dependent on an appraisal of certain of the Company's assets as well as a final determination of the Company's business plans. The amounts will be charged to earnings in the fourth quarter of 1990.

On October 5, 1990, the Company announced that it had entered into a letter of intent with a California company, QRP, Inc. for the sale of 2,000,000 shares of the Company's stock at a price of $1.10 per share. QRP processes, markets and distributes specialty products, including protective hand covers, for the electronics, bioscience, pharmaceutical, precision clean and aerospace industries. The completion of the transaction is subject to the completion of QRP's due diligence, successful negotiation of final agreements and obtaining necessary regulatory approvals and approval of the Company's bank. While the company is continuing to discuss the transaction with QRP, the completion of the transaction appears doubtful. If a transaction is completed it may be on different terms than those contained in the letter of

intent. There can be no assurance that such a transaction will be completed.

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#90317p6344 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWOOD, MA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Analog Devices (NYSE: ADI) today announced a series of major organizational changes to make the company more competitive and responsive in the '90s.

In making this announcement, Ray Stata, chairman of the board and president, said, "The highly-decentralized organizational structure that has served the company well for so many years is no longer appropriate. The redundant costs associated with this structure are not competitive, and the fragmented organization has impeded our ability to respond quickly and effectively to changing customer requirements, especially when inter-organizational cooperation is required. We have therefore made three major organizational changes -- effective today -- designed to make us more efficient, and therefore more competitive.

"First, we have combined several divisions into a single Industrial Electronics Division to be headquartered in Norwood. IED will focus on industrial automation, automatic test equipment, industrial controls and motion control systems. The new division is made up of what were formerly the Industrial Products Division in Norwood; the Microelectronics Division in Wilmington, Mass.; the Computer Labs Division in Greensboro, N.C.; and the Memory Devices Division in the United Kingdom. IED is headed by J. B. Archinard, who was general manager of CLD.

"Second," continued Stata, "the Digital Signal Processing Division, headquartered in Norwood, and the Mixed-signal ASIC group, with resources in both Wilmington, Mass. and the United Kingdom, are being joined to form the Systems IC Products Division. This division will focus on VLSI to meet the needs of customers who require IC's with high levels of functional integration on a single chip. Dave French, who was general manager of the DSP division, will be responsible for this new division. "Mr. Archinard and Mr. French will continue to report to Executive Vice President Jerry Fishman," noted Stata. "The bipolar IC division in Wilmington, Mass.; the CMOS IC division in Limerick, Ireland; and the recently- acquired Precision Monolithics Division in Santa Clara, Calif. will continue reporting to Jerry Fishman.

"Our third major organizational change is the formation of a European headquarters based in Germany," continued Stata. "All of our European sales affiliates and sales representatives will be part of this organization, as will the European warehouse and distribution center currently under development in Switzerland. By centralizing many functions that were

previously managed at the country level, we will not only have a lower cost structure, but will also be in a better position to respond to customer requirements in the Tborderless' Europe of 1992. Brian McAloon, who was general manager of the CMOS IC division in Limerick, Ireland, has been promoted to vice president-european sales and marketing to head up this organization, reporting to Doug Newman, corporate vice president for sales and marketing.

"The organizational changes announced today follow our earlier announcement of a centralized IC manufacturing organization under the leadership of Tom Urwin, vice president of manufacturing. Already," concluded Stata, "Tom has identified a number of significant changes and improvements we can make to our manufacturing operations that will help us to lower costs and further improve customer service."

Analog Devices' sales for the fiscal year ended Nov. 3, 1990 are estimated at $485 million. This estimate includes fourth quarter revenues from Precision Monolithics Inc., which was part of Analog for the last 12 weeks of the fiscal year. The company plans to announce its fiscal 1990 results on December 11th.

The company is a leading manufacturer of precision high-performance integrated circuits used in analog and digital signal processing applications. The company also manufactures board-level products used in computerized data acquisition and measurement and control applications. Analog employs approximately 5,700 people worldwide, and has manufacturing facilities in Massachusetts, California, North Carolina, Ireland, Japan, the Philippines and the United Kingdom.

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RED BANK, NJ (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The trustees of North European Oil Royalty Trust (NYSE: NET) released the unaudited results for the final three months of the fiscal year ending Oct. 31, 1990 and for the full year as follows:

NORTH EUROPEAN OIL ROYALTY TRUST

Periods Ended	Three Months		Year	
Oct. 31,	1990	1989	1990	1989
German royalties received	$3,336,888	$2,533,467	$12,191,660	$9,192,237
Net income	3,238,974	2,458,997	11,706,277	8,801,545
Net inc. per unit	$.39	$.29	$1.41	$1.06

The information released by the trustees is subject to audit verification and

will be reflected in the annual report to unit owners of the trust and the Form 10-K to be filed for the trust.

In announcing the results, John H. Van Kirk, managing trustee, stated that the 33 percent increase for the quarter was attributable mainly to higher prices received for gas sales within Germany and secondly to higher conversion value for the Deutsche mark. Actual gas sales from the Oldenburg area were 7 percent lower than the prior year period.

The annual meeting of the trust will be held in New York City on Feb. 13, 1991. The record date for unit holders entitled to vote will be Jan. 2, 1991. It is anticipated that the annual report and proxy material will be mailed to unit holders early in January.

CONTACT: John H. Van Kirk, managing trustee of North European Oil Royalty Trust, 201-741-4008

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#90317p6347 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA, (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - T2 Medical Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: TSQM) today reported record revenues and earnings for its fiscal year which ended Sept. 30.

Revenue for the fiscal year increased 64 percent to $73,070,000 compared with $44,594,000 restated for fiscal year 1989 for the mergers accounted for by the pooling of interests method. Net income for fiscal year 1990 was $15,416,000 or $1.13 per share compared to $9,591,000 or 90 cents per share restated for fiscal year 1989. This represents a 26 percent increase in earnings per share.

The significant increase in annual revenues and earnings represents our strong internal growth and the positive impact from the acquisition of previously managed companies and Intracare, acquired this past February. T2 weighted average common shares outstanding for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30 increased to 13,604,098 from 10,601,437 for the same period ended Sept. 30, 1989, as a result of the managed center acquisitions and public offerings of stock.

"This continued record growth reflects well on our innovative approach to home infusion therapy and the strategic direction in which the company is headed," said Thomas E. Haire, chairman.

T2 Medical Inc. is a leading provider of home infusion therapy in the United States. Infusion therapy is the administration to a patient of nutrients, antibiotics and other drugs and fluids, either intravenously or through a feeding tube. T2 Medical is located in Alpharetta, Ga.

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#90317p6348 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

RED BANK, NJ (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - De Tomaso Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: DTOM) reported results today for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990. The company and its consolidated subsidiaries had a net loss of $8,956,522 or ($4.35) per common share for the three months ended September 30 1990, on sales of $43,674,334, as compared with a net loss of $4,957,375 or ($2.41) per share on sales of $78,159,420 in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine month period ended September 30, 1990, the company and its consolidated subsidiaries had net income of $44,400,682 or $14.52 per common share on sales of $224,799,659. This compares with a net loss of $9,495,311, equal to ($4.62) per share on sales of $273,244,672 for the first nine months of 1989.

Howard E. Chase, vice-president and general counsel of the company, expressed the view that economic recession, the crisis in the Gulf, and higher oil prices would continue to have a negative impact on the auto industry generally. However, he expressed the hope that production of Innocenti minis, resumed in November, and production of "Pandas" for Fiat, expected to reach a 30,000 unit annual rate by year end, would help the company resist the trend.

De Tomaso Industries, through its consolidated Italian subsidiaries, manufacturers Moto Guzzi motorcycles, Innocenti minicars, Maserati luxury cars and "Pandas" for Fiat. Through its Maserati Automobiles Incorporated subsidiary, the company imports Maserati Automobiles and Moto Guzzi motorcycles into the United States.

DE TOMASO INDUSTRIES, INC.
Operating Highlights (Unaudited)

	1990	1989	1990	1989
	(Expessed in Millions of Italian Lire except net per share)		(Expressed in thousands of U.S. Dollars) (a)	
For the three months ended September 30,				
Net Sales	Lit. 51,230	Lit. 91,681	$ 43,674,339	$78,159,420
Cost and Expenses including minority interests	Lit. 61,736	Lit. 97,496	$ 52,630,861	$83,116,795
Net Income (loss)	Lit.(10,506)	(5,815)	$(8,956,522)	$(4,957,375)
Net Income (loss) per share (b)	Lit. (5,106)	(2,826)	$ (4.35)	$ (2.41)
For the nine months ended September 30,				
Net Sales	Lit.263,690	Lit. 320,516	$224,799,659	$273,244,672
Cost and Expenses including minority interests, net of gain on sale of stock				

of subsidiary	Lit.211,608	Lit.331,654	$180,398,977	$282,739,983
Net Income (loss)	Lit. 52,082	(11,138)	$ 44,400,682	$(9,495,311)
Net Income (loss) per share (b)	Lit. 17,034	(5,413)	$ 14.52	$ (4.62)

a -- Translated in U.S. dollar equivalents at the exchange rate prevailing at September 30, 1990. The U.S. dollar equivalent amounts are included solely for the convenience of the shareholders of De Tomaso Industries, inc. It should not be construed that the assets and liabilities, expressed in U.S. dollar equivalents, can actually be realized in or extinguished by U.S. dollars at the exchange rates used in the accompanying translation because of fluctuations in the rate of exchange.

b -- Net income (loss) per share for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 is computed on the number of shares of common stock equivalent outstanding at all times during such period. Net loss per share for the nine months ended September 30, 1989 and the three months ended September 30, 1990 and September 30, 1989, is computed on the number of shares of common stock outstanding, and without regard to the preferred stock outstanding because to do so would be anti-dilutive.

CONTACT: Charles W. Kouns of The Martin Agency, 804-254-1607, or Howard E. Chase of De Tomaso Industries, 212-735-8600.

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#90317p6349 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - CEL-SCI Corporation (NASDAQ: CELI) announced that its registration statement covering the offer and sale of 4,862,654 units at $1 per unit, each consisting of one share of common stock and one warrant to purchase one share of common stock at $1.50, was declared effective today by the Securities and Exchange Commission. The company's underwriter is Neidiger/Tucker/Bruner, 5990 Greenwood Plaza Blvd., Suite 125, Englewood, CO 80111.

Shareholders of record as of Nov. 13, 1990, have the right to purchase 15 units for each 100 shares of common stock owned. The rights will be evidenced by transferable certificates and will expire on Dec. 24, 1990. People exercising rights will also have the right to subscribe for additional units to the extent rights are not exercised by other shareholders.

This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state. This press release is made for informational purposes only. An offering can be made only by the prospectus which can by obtained from Neidiger/Tucker/Bruner.

CEL-SCI Corporation is involved in the development of pharmaceutical products focusing on the immune system and diseases resulting from a weakened immune system.

CONTACT: Geert Kersten, vice president, operations, CEL-SCI Corporation, 703-549-5293

-30- 1744

#90317p6351 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MI. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Guardsman Products Inc. (NYSE: GPI) today declared the regular fourth- quarter cash dividend of $.125 per share, payable Dec. 17, 1990, to shareowners of record Dec. 3, 1990. This continues the company's 73rd consecutive year of cash dividends.

Guardsman Products, Inc. is a diversified producer of custom industrial coatings, consumer products and packaging services.

CONTACT: Edward D. Corlett of Guardsman Products, Inc., 616-957-2600

-30- 674

#90317p6353 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The administrative committee of the Avondale Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: AVDL) Employee Stock Ownership Plan announced today that the committee had authorized the ESOP Trustees to purchase up to 1.15 million shares of Avondale Industries Inc. common stock or approximately 8 percent of its 14.4 million shares outstanding.

All stock purchases under this program will be made in privately negotiated transactions, with the timing of purchases, number of shares purchased and the prices paid under the program to be at the discretion of the administrative committee, based upon prevailing market conditions and legal limitations.

Within the past nine months, the board of directors of Avondale has authorized Avondale's management to repurchase up to 1.5 million shares of its stock, both in privately negotiated transactions and in open market purchases, of which 1.2 million had been repurchased to date.

The ESOP is the record holder of approximately 6.7 million shares, or 46.3 percent, of Avondale's common stock, and if both Avondale and the ESOP acquire all of the shares authorized to be purchased, then the ESOP will own 55.3 percent of the outstanding common stock.

CONTACT: Harris F. Arnold of Avondale Industries, 504-436-5200

-30- 1452

#90317p6357 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

GEORGE TOWN, GRAND CAYMAN, BRITISH WEST INDIES, (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Florida Employers Insurance Company (NASDAQ-NMS: FLAEF) announced today that its earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $2,658,947 or $1.18 per share. Earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $899,361 or $.40 cents per share. The earnings reported for the similar nine month and three month periods in 1989 were $3,202,761 or $1.42 per share and $1,243,811 or $.55 cents per share, respectively.

The company also announced its continued quarterly dividend of $.07 cents per share, with the next dividend payable Nov. 30, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 15, 1990.

CONTACT: Raymond M. Neff of the Florida Employers Insurance Company, 813-951-3605

-30- 942

#90317p6359 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANANDAIGUA, NY (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Canandaigua Wine Company, Inc. (AMEX: CDG.A CDG.B) today reported net income for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Net income was $4,435,580 or $1.04 per share as compared to a net income of $2,350,827 or 52 cents in fiscal 1989. Net sales for fiscal 1990 were $179,844,511, an increase of 9.5 percent from net sales of $164,261,439 last year.

Net sales for the fourth quarter and year increased as a result of the growth in the company's sales of its principal wines, grape concentrate, and newly-acquired brands. The improvement in net income resulted primarily from the growth in sales. The company made further reductions in the advertising expenses for its "Sun Country" brand, consistent with lower sales volumes, but such cost reductions were largely offset by higher costs related to the company's acquisition activity.

Marvin Sands, the company's chairman of the board, said: "We are pleased with the growth in sales and profits. Wine brand volume growth was impressive, Newly-acquired products such as "Chateau Luzerne", "Italian Swiss Colony" and "Jacques Bonet" also added to our overall business growth. We continue to maintain tight control over all expenditures and the results in increased net income."

Canandaigua Wine Company, Inc. is the fourth largest wine producer in the United Sates. The company owns and operates seven wineries in New York, California and South Carolina. Its principal brands are "Wild Irish Rose", "Manischewitz", "Sun Country", "J. Roget", "Marcus James", "Cisco" and "Widmer".

CANANDAIGUA WINE COMPANY, INC.
Comparative Analysis

Periods ended:	Fiscal year		Three months	
Aug. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$179,844,511	$164,261,439	$45,093,113	$42,968,948
Net income	4,435,580	2,350,827	1,113,265	605,673
Earnings per share	$1.04	$.52	$.26	$.14
Wtd. avg. of shares outstanding	4,280,647	4,521,050	4,282,501	4,307,068

CONTACT: Lynn K. Fetterman of Canandaigua Wine Company, 716-394-7900

-30- 2404

#90317p6360 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - International Mobile Machines Corp. (NASDAQ: IMMCC) announced today that Southwestern Bell Telephone, a wholly owned subsidiary of Southwestern Bell Corp. (NYSE: SBC) has purchased an Ultraphone digital radiotelephone system to provide telephone service to contractors engaged in constructing the mammoth Supercollider project.

The Ultraphone provides immediate telephone service because it can be moved from construction site to construction site. The Supercollider will be built in sections over a nine-year period.

Plans are to serve other construction sites in the south Dallas area. When completed, the superconducting Supercollider will be a 53 mile, oval-shaped, underground particle accelerator beneath and around the town of Waxahachi, Texas, south of Dallas. The collider is expected to create 4,500 construction jobs with its estimated multibillion-dollar capital expenditure and its $270 million-a-year operating budget. It also promises to attract international researchers, high-tech companies, hotels and restaurants.

By purchasing the Ultraphone system, Southwestern Bell is providing rapidly installed phone service to this highly sophisticated construction project without having to install and maintain extremely expensive buried cable once the construction is complete.

CONTACT: John A. Goetz of IMM, 215-278-7800

-30- 1581

#90317p6361 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW CANAAN, CT (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Smith Corona Corporation (NYSE: SCO) today announced that its board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.05 per share of common stock payable on Jan. 7, 1991, to holders of record as of Dec. 21, 1990.

CONTACT: Patricia J. Cornell of Smith Corona, 203-972-1471

-30- 495

#90317p6364 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAGUNA HILLS, CA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Community Psychiatric Centers (NYSE: CMY) today announced a restructuring of senior management. Richard L. Conte, formerly an executive vice president, was appointed president and chief financial officer of the company. Loren B. Shook, also formerly an executive vice president, was named president of the company's U.S. Hospital Division.

Both appointments are effective Dec. 1, 1990. James W. Conte will remain chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the company.

Community Psychiatric Centers operates a chain of acute psychiatric hospitals located in the United States and United Kingdom. The stock of Community Psychiatric Centers is traded on the New York, Boston, Midwest and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

CONTACT: Pam Huffman of Community Psychiatric Centers, 714-831-1166

-30- 1040

#90317p6369 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE, (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to recent questions concerning the decline in the market value of Plum Creek Timber Co., L.P.'s ("Plum Creek") (NYSE: PCL) partnership units, the company stated that it was unaware of any developments that would explain the decline other than third quarter earnings that were below the same period in 1989. However, the company noted that it continues to generate cash flow sufficient to sustain the distribution at the 80 cents per unit level.

Consistent with this level of financial performance, the company announced on Nov. 6 that it would pay a distribution of 80 cents per unit for the third quarter ending Sept. 30. The 80 cents per unit distribution represents a 33 percent increase above the intended minimum quarterly distribution of 60 cents per unit. The company will distribute 80 cents per depositary unit on Nov. 29 to unitholders of record as of Nov. 16. Accordingly, the units began trading ex-dividend on Friday, Nov. 9.

CONTACT: Shelley Cochran of Plum Creek Timber Co., L.P., 206-467-3687; or Mike Pollock of Fleishman-Hillard, Inc., 213-629-4974, for Plum Creek Timber Co., L.P.

-30- 1329

#90317p6370 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Apertus Technologies Incorporated (NASDAQ: APTS) today announced a net profit of $103,000 on revenues of $5,277,000 for the second quarter, ended Sept. 30, 1990. This represents Apertus' second consecutive quarter of profitability since its restructuring last March, when Lee Data Corporation became Apertus Technologies Incorporated in connection with the sale of Lee Data's commercial and international business.

Net income for the second quarter included a non-recurring benefit of $800,000 resulting from the favorable settlement of an accounts receivable claim. Net income for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 totals $126,000, and revenues for the same period total $11,718,000. The company's cash reserves at the end of the second quarter are up slightly form the first quarter to $21,244,000.

Said Apertus Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Robert D. Gordon, "We are pleased with the progress Apertus is making with its focus on telecommunications services. With two consecutive quarters of profitability, coupled with a positive outlook for the third quarter, we are well on our way to achieving Apertus' goal of profitability in its first year."

Apertus Technologies Incorporated serves the data communications needs of the Regional Bell Operating Companies, independent telephone companies, and other closely related telecommunications companies with its Datastar 5000 Communications Systems, IBM system-compatible windowing terminals, intelligent workstations, printers, and extensive application software. The company is headquartered in suburban Minneapolis and has sales and service offices in Atlanta, Birmingham, Boston, Chicago, Cleveland, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Houston, Indianapolis, New York City, Omaha, Philadelphia, St. Louis, San Francisco, Tampa, and Washington, D.C.

Apertus common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the ticker symbol APTS.

APERTUS TECHNOLOGIES INCORPORATED
SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL DATA

	Three Months Ended 9/30/90	Six Months Ended 9/30/90
Revenues	$5,277,000	$11,718,000
Net income	$103,000	$126,000
Income per share	$.01	$.01
Weighted average shares	12,519	12,519

CONTACT: Chuck Karpinske of Apertus, 612-828-0438

-30- 2713

#90317p6374 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

OMAHA, NE. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - ConAgra Inc. (NYSE: CAG) today announced it is offering $100 million of non-callable 9-7/8 percent senior notes due in 2005 as part of a $900 million shelf registration which was effective Oct. 15, 1990. The senior notes were priced at par.

The notes are being offered through underwriters led by Merrill Lynch Capital Markets and including Goldman, Sachs & Co., Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc. and Salomon Brothers Inc. Proceeds of the offering will be used for general corporate purposes.

Omaha-based ConAgra is a diversified food company with annualized sales of about $20 billion. The company's operations span the food chain. ConAgra's food product brands include Banquet, Healthy Choice, Kid Cusisine, Morton, Patio, Chun King frozen, Armour, Country Pride, Hunt's, Wesson, Orville Redenbacher's, Butterball, Swift Premium, Eckrich, Swiss Miss, Peter Pan, La Choy and others.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of any offer to buy, nor shall there be any sales of these securities in any State in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such State. A prospectus relating to the offering can be obtained from the underwriters.

CONTACT: Walt Casey of ConAgra Inc., 402-595-4154

-30- 1515

#90317p6375 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI, (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR) Cincinnati, announced today an agreement to sell radio stations WMJI-FM (Cleveland) and WYHY-FM (Nashville, Tenn.) to Legacy Broadcasting, Inc. (formerly LBI Holdings, Inc.) subject to certain modifications to their original agreement.

Under an amended agreement, Jacor will receive approximately $29,750,000 in cash for these stations, as well as retain certain other assets. Legacy has deposited $3,000,000 with the closing escrow agent in partial payment. This deposit is non-refundable, except under limited circumstances. The sale of these stations will result in a gain of approximately $12,400,000.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, currently owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

Legacy Broadcasting, Inc., headquartered in Los Angeles, was formed by Carl E. Hirsch and Robert F.X. Sillerman. Legacy recently announced its intention to acquire through merger Command Communications, Inc., owner of KJQY in San

Diego, KODA in Houston, KRLD in Dallas and the Texas State Networks.

CONTACT: R. Christopher Weber or Jon M. Berry of Jacor Communications, Inc., 513-621-1300, or Anne-Mary Diana of Legacy Broadcasting, Inc., 212-980-4455

-30- 1632

#90317p6376 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The May Department Stores Co. (NYSE: MA) today reported fully diluted earnings per share from continuing operations of 67 cents for the third quarter of fiscal 1990, the 13 weeks ended Nov. 3, a 3 percent decrease from 69 cents per share in the same year-ago quarter. Net earnings from continuing operations for the third quarter were $90 million compared to $97 million in the similar 1989 period. For the third quarter, net retail sales from continuing operations were $2.4 billion, a 5.3 percent increase over $2.3 billion in the same 1989 quarter.

Fully diluted earnings per share from continuing operations for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 were $1.83, up 12 percent over $1.64 in the same 1990 period. Year-to-date net earnings from continuing operations were $248 million compared to $232 million last year. Net retail sales from continuing operations for the nine-month period totaled $6.8 billion compared to $6.2 billion a year ago.

May opened seven new department stores and 52 net new Payless ShoeSource stores during the third quarter. Lord & Taylor, Foley's, Filene's, May Company in Ohio, and May D&F opened one store each, while May Company in California opened two stores during the quarter.

Also during the quarter, May announced that an agreement had been signed to purchase the Thalhimers department store company for $325 million, subject to certain adjustments. The closing is expected to be completed this year. Additionally, the spin-off of Venture to May shareowners was completed on Nov. 3 with the distribution of 0.13 Venture shares per share of May common stock. The operations of Venture and Caldor (Caldor was sold in October 1989) comprised the company's discount store segment and are reported as discontinued operations.

The May Department Stores Co. is one of the largest retailers in the United States, operating 302 department stores and 2,869 specialty shoe stores at the end of the third quarter.

CONTACT: Jim Abrams of The May Department Stores Co., 314-342-6343

-30- 2263

#90317p6377 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOWNSVIEW, Ontario (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Tyrolean Airways, based in

Innsbruck, Austria, today announced a follow-on order for Dash 8 aircraft with Boeing Canada, de Havilland Division.

The announcement comprises two 37-passenger Dash 8 Series 100s and two 50-passenger Series 300s previously ordered for Tyrolean's own use, plus one Series 100 and one Series 300 for Tyrolean's leasing business. Approximate value of today's announced orders is more than $51 million (U.S.).

With this contract, Tyrolean becomes the launch customer for the uprated PW123B engine option on the Dash 8 Series 300A. This new version of the PW123 offers a five-per-cent increase in take-off power, allowing higher payloads and greater flexibility when operating from airfields with difficult terrain.

One Series 100 from the new order is to be leased to Interflug, the Berlin-based former East German flag carrier. Scheduled Interflug Dash 8 service -- utilizing Tyrolean flight and maintenance crews -- will begin the week of Nov. 12 from Berlin to Warsaw, Prague and Copenhagen.

Interflug becomes the first airline of the former Eastern Bloc nations known to offer new-technology turboprop service and is the 10th European carrier to select the Dash 8 family of regional airliners. The Interflug agreement is through Tyrolean Airways using one Dash 8 Series 100 of Tyrolean's leasing arm Elveden Investments based in Dublin, Ireland.

Tyrolean was the first airline in Europe to introduce the Dash 8 Series 100 and currently operates six -- one of which is on lease to Germany's Contact Air. The airline also operates two Dash 7s, including serial no. 113, the last Dash 7 built.

Tyrolean this year celebrated its 10th anniversary of scheduled service from Innsbruck. The carrier launched Dash 7 service in May 1980, bringing frequent, comfortable and reliable service to the city which had been without regular air transport for several years. The airline's first Dash 8 entered service in April, 1985.

Worldwide, there are orders for 341 Dash 8s among 47 operators in 18 countries. To date, 231 have been delivered (203 Series 100s and 28 Series 300s).

CONTACT: Colin Fisher of de Havilland, 416-375-3030.

-30- 2411

#90317p6389 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - USLIFE Corporation (NYSE: USH) today announced the extension of its stock repurchase program. The board of directors has extended the current program through November of 1991 and authorized the purchase of up to one million common shares and/or other

outstanding equity securities. This action was announced by Gordon E. Crosby, Jr., chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of USLIFE.

Excluding treasury stock, USLIFE Corporation has 15,421,219 common shares issued and outstanding.

Since the inception of the stock repurchase program in 1981, USLIFE repurchased approximately 10.4 million shares of its common stock at a cost of approximately $329.8 million which equates to an average price of $31.67 per share as compared to book value as of Sept. 30, 1990 of $58.81 per share.

Subject to prevailing market conditions and other factors, repurchases will be made in the open market or through negotiated transactions.

USLIFE Corporation is a life insurance-based holding company whose principal subsidiaries engage in the life insurance business. With nationwide operations, USLIFE has four ordinary life insurance companies and a credit insurance group with $98 billion of life insurance in force as of Sept. 30, 1990. Additionally, there are five other subsidiaries that furnish the life insurance companies with investment advisory, broker-dealer, real estate, data processing and administrative services.

CONTACT: Richard P. Keating of USLIFE, 212-709-6227

-30- 1722

#90317p6390 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert J. Casper, CLU, ChFC, has been appointed to the additional position of senior executive vice president-marketing with USLIFE Corporation (NYSE: USH). Casper will continue to serve as president and chief executive officer of The United States Life Insurance Company and USLIFE Equity Sales Corporation, both wholly owned subsidiaries of USLIFE Corporation. Casper is also a member of the board of directors of USLIFE Corporation.

In making this announcement, Gordon E. Crosby, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of USLIFE Corporation, commented: "Bob Casper will oversee the activities of the corporate actuarial, marketing support and product development areas. In this additional and newly created position, Mr. Casper will continue to report directly to me."

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#90317p6391 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Standard Products Co. (NYSE: SPD) announced today that it is hoping to break even in its fiscal 1991 second quarter, depending on the extent of start-up costs on the 1991 Ford Crown Victoria and Mercury Grand Marquis Program.

Speaking in New York today to auto analysts of the New York Society of Security Analysts, James S. Reid, Jr., Standard Products chairman and chief executive officer, said that launch costs including training, tool tryout and scrap are being incurred at the company's Silent Channel subsidiary in England in preparation for these models. These costs, combined with a continuing soft economy that is affecting the company's primary business segments both domestically and in Europe, are expected to result in a break-even performance for the fiscal 1991 second quarter, which will end Dec. 31, 1990. He noted, however, that the company's North American operations continue to show improvement over last year's comparable period, particularly the South Carolina plants. This improvement occurred despite the softness in the automotive market.

Losses at Silent Channel accounted for the company's net loss of $1,665,000 or 16 cents per share, in the fiscal 1991 first quarter. In the year-ago second quarter, Standard Products reported net income of $3,615,000, equal to 36 cents per share.

Reid said the outlook for the third quarter is dependent on the costs of the launch in England as well as on the car build of the American "big three" automakers. He said the directors will be reviewing the dividend level at the next meeting in December.

Cleveland-based Standard Products manufactures rubber and plastic parts for the automotive original equipment industry, rubberized track for military vehicles and plastic and magnetic door seals for home appliances. Its Oliver Rubber subsidiary is a major producer of tread rubber for truck tire retreading.

CONTACT: Joe Robinson of Standard Products, 216-281-8300; or William Dupuy of Edward Howard & Co., 216-781-2400, for Standard Products

-30- 2256

#90317p6394 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ralph J. Cargiulo, CLU, has been elected to the board of directors of The United States Life Insurance Company and

promoted to executive vice president of this wholly owned subsidiary of USLIFE Corporation (NYSE: USH). At the same time, Edward H. Goodstone, CLU, has been appointed executive vice president-life insurance field marketing.

In making these announcements, Robert J. Casper, president and chief executive officer of United States Life, commented: "The promotion of Mr. Cargiulo and the appointment of Mr. Goodstone allow United States Life to continue building on the excellent results achieved over the last several years. Both veteran USLIFE executives are seasoned life insurance professionals with an ability to make significant contributions."

Ralph J. Cargiulo joined United States Life as an underwriter in 1960 and was elected an officer of the company in 1968. He was promoted to assistant vice president-underwriting in 1971 and, then, second vice president in 1973. In 1975 he was named vice president-chief underwriter and, in 1982, he was elected senior vice president- individual insurance services. Cargiulo earned his bachelor of science degree at Fairfield University and received his Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU) designation in 1972. He is a Marine veteran and a member of the Institute of Home Office Underwriters.

Cargiulo and his wife, Dolores, and their family reside in Massapequa, N.Y.

Edward H. Goodstone has been appointed executive vice president-life insurance field marketing. In this position, he will coordinate the United States Life field marketing and marketing support activities. Previously, he served as executive vice president-life insurance field marketing with USLIFE Corporation. Goodstone originally joined United States Life in 1975 as second vice president-field management and, subsequently, was named second vice president-advanced underwriting and pension sales. He was promoted to vice president in 1976 and named vice president-marketing in 1978.

In 1979, he joined USLIFE as vice president-marketing and was then promoted to senior vice president-marketing support in 1980. He was named executive vice president for USLIFE in January 1984.

Goodstone is a graduate of Brooklyn College where he earned his B.A. degree. He received his Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU) designation in 1964 and LIMRA Agency Management Certificate in 1970. Goodstone and his wife, Harriet, reside in Neponsit, N.Y.

CONTACT: Richard P. Keating, vice president of USLIFE, 212-709-6227

-30- 2801

#90317p6397 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WORCESTER, MA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Cambridge Biotech Corporation (NASDAQ: CBCX) today reported third quarter 1990 revenues of $6,034,481, compared to $6,027,634 for the same period a year ago. For the first time, third quarter

figures for both 1989 and 1990 represent the combined results of the former Cambridge BioScience Corporation and Biotech Research Laboratories Inc. as a result of the merger consummated Sept. 7, 1990.

Total expenses for the period were 4 percent lower than those of the same period in 1989, in spite of inflation and increased spending in sales and marketing, both in domestic and international.

While total revenues and product sales for the quarter were essentially the same as the previous year, there were some significant shifts in mix. Sales of products outside the DuPont and subsequently Ortho distribution agreements grew from 18 percent to 53 percent of the total. Royalty income rose to approximately $500,000, while interest and research grant income fell by a similar amount.

Commenting on the quarter's results, company President and CEO Patrick J. Leonard said, "It was too early to see the impact of sales of the recently-approved HIV-1 EIA and FeLV vaccine products. These together with projected market introduction, in the fourth quarter, of three new products (HTLV-I/II EIA, HTLV-I Western blot, and HIV-2 Western blot) made possible by the merger should enable a steady growth in sales revenues. Coupled with continued cost containment this should lead to a downward reduction in losses from the third quarter loss of $0.10 per share."

Leonard continued, "The company's ongoing program of cost controls, the building of sales by expanding the market penetration for existing products and the introduction of key new products, should ensure a steady reduction in losses toward our overall goal of profitability."

Cambridge Biotech Corporation is a leader in the development of recombinant technology and a major producer of viral diagnostic screening and confirmatory products. The company utilizes recombinant technology in the development and production of antigens. The company also develops adjuvants and monoclonal antibodies as the basis for diagnostic, vaccine and therapeutic products for humans and animals.

CAMBRIDGE BIOTECH CORPORATION
Statement of Operations (Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990(A)	1989(A)	1990(A)	1989(A)
Revenues	$6,034,481	$6,027,634	$17,193,628	$20,019,474
Costs & expenses	7,699,359	7,903,897	25,620,205	22,988,513
Net income (loss)	(1,664,878)	(1,876,263)	(8,426,577)	(2,969,039)
Net income (loss) per weighted average share	(.10)	(.11)	(.50)	(.18)
Weighted average shares outstg.	16,966,529	16,893,384	16,965,319	16,832,411

(A) -- Represents combined results of Cambridge BioScience Corporation and Biotech Research Laboratories Inc.

CONTACT: Donald G. Reed, senior vice president-treasurer of Cambridge Biotech, 508-797-5777, or Frederick C. Steelman of Georgeson & Company, 212-440-9830, for Cambridge

-30- 3412

#90317p6398 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - DowBrands, the makers of DOW Bathroom Cleaner with Scrubbing Bubbles(R), has announced that the product is now being packaged in bottles containing 25 percent post- consumer recycled plastic.

More than 50 percent of the bottles are made of reused materials. The manufacturing process incorporates in-plant scrap and post consumer recycled plastic into the production. The bottles are on store shelves now.

"DowBrands is committed to making products that meet or exceed environmental standards," said Jody Bilney, Brand Manager for DOW Bathroom Cleaner. "By using recycled resin in our DOW Bathroom Cleaner bottle, we are answering a consumer desire to purchase environmentally sound products."

CONTACT: Lee Ann McKeever of DowBrands, 317-873-7414, or Diane Falanga of Golin/Harris Communications, 312-836-7128, for DowBrands

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - ULTIMAP (NASDAQ: UMAP) today announced that the Hennepin County Board has agreed to extend until Dec. 18, 1990, the time for ULTIMAP's performance of the previously agreed Software Purchase Agreement. The extension was made on condition that ULTIMAP grant the county a security interest in certain software and copyrights, pay the County a non-refundable sum of $43,234, and acknowledge that the payment of $75,000 previously made to the County was a non-refundable earnest money payment applicable against the software purchase price when paid. If ULTIMAP does not purchase the software by Dec. 18, 1990, ULTIMAP's rights to market the software may be terminated by the County.

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PARSIPPANY, N.J. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - A study presented today at the American Heart Association meeting in Dallas provides the first evidence from humans to suggest that beta carotene, a powerful anti- oxidant, may be useful

in treating cardiovascular disease, according to Dr. Charles H. Hennekens, professor at Brigham and Women's Hospital and at Harvard Medical School, who was the senior author of the report describing the study.

In the study, those patients with documented coronary disease who took a 50-milligram Lurotin(R) beta carotene capsule every other day experienced almost half as many "major events" in coronary arteries and other blood vessels as those taking a placebo. The Lurotin beta carotene was produced by BASF AG in Ludwigshafen, Germany. It was provided for the study by BASF Fine Chemicals of Parsippany. Lurotin is a registered trademark of BASF AG.

The results of the study were revealed at the 63rd Scientific Sessions of the American Heart Association in Dallas. Dr. J. Michael Gaziano, a cardiology fellow at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, presented the report. Gaziano said that the "major events" referred to were strokes, heart attacks, and sudden cardiac deaths, as well as "revascularization" procedures to open or bypass clogged coronary arteries.

Hennekens directs the Physicians' Health Study, a national research project that involves more than 22,000 male physicians, age 40 to 84. Half of the physicians have been taking BASF's Lurotin beta carotene for an average of six years, while the other half has been receiving placebos.

The current report focused on 333 patients who had evidence of coronary artery disease when they entered the larger study group. Those taking the Lurotin beta carotene experienced 44 percent fewer major coronary events and 49 percent fewer major vascular events compared to patients taking the placebo.

These results, while considered preliminary and requiring further study, indicate a strong reason for continuing investigations to firmly establish the role that beta carotene plays in the prevention of heart disease.

The National Cancer Institute recommends diets that are rich in beta carotene, which is the primary building block of vitamin A found in many vegetables and fruits. Carrots, sweet potatoes, apricots, peaches and cantaloupes are particularly rich in beta carotene, which gives these vegetables and fruits their orange color.

In addition to having made Lurotin available to the Physicians' Health Study, BASF continues to support scientific research with its other beta carotene products.

BASF, a leading manufacturer of vitamin products, is also a major diversified producer of basic, intermediate and specialty chemicals, colorants, dispersions, fiber raw materials, fibers, automotive coatings, printing inks, urethane specialties and chemicals, plastics, advanced composite materials, antifreeze, crop protection products, pharmaceuticals, flavors, fragrances and audio, video and computer recording media.

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DALLAS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Grace Energy Corporation (NYSE: GEG) today announced that its Oklahoma-based Grace Petroleum Corporation subsidiary has agreed in principle with Grand Rapids, Mich.-based Wolverine Gas and Oil Co., Inc. to extend their joint venture exploration in the state of Michigan through Dec. 31, 1993. Grace Petroleum Corporation began exploring for gas reserves with Wolverine on July 15, 1981 and has participated in the discovery of over 100 billion cubic feet of gas.

Grace Petroleum Corporation has also acquired Wolverine Gas and Oil Co., Inc.'s working interests in 27 gas wells and 8 stripper wells in 12 fields in Michigan, together with its interests in two pipelines and a gas plant serving these fields. Prior to this acquisition Grace Petroleum owned a 31 percent average working interest in the 27 gas wells, so its working interest now averages 41 percent. Of the total estimated reserves acquired from Wolverine 95 percent are classified as proved developed.

Grace Petroleum explores for, develops, and produces oil and natural gas onshore, primarily in the U.S. Grace Energy Corporation, headquartered in Dallas, is a diversified energy company whose subsidiaries are also engaged in supplying services and equipment to the petroleum industry and in coal mining.

Wolverine Gas and Oil Co., Inc. is a family-owned corporation which explores for, develops, and produces oil and natural gas exclusively in the state of Michigan. Wolverine was founded in 1948.

Both Grace and Wolverine look forward to a continued business relationship in Michigan and the discovery of additional reserves over the next three years.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - FHP Health Care, multi-state health maintenance organization, has introduced FHP Senior Plan to San Diego County Medicare beneficiaries.

FHP Senior Plan, the largest Medicare alternative program in the Western United States, is the only zero-premium health care plan for San Diego's senior citizens, according to Clem Scharwath, FHP Regional vice president.

"An independent survey shows that San Diego seniors want what FHP offers; quality health care at an affordable price," he added.

FHP Senior Plan offers comprehensive benefits -- including hospitalization, physician care, optometry services, and prescription drugs -- at no additional monthly premium beyond Medicare (parts A and B required). Medical office visits and prescription drug units are $7.

Through a contract with the federal government, FHP provides comprehensive health care at a cost that is 95 percent of what the Medicare program pays in the traditional, fee-for-service sector.

"Senior Plan is a win-win situation," said Scharwath. "The federal government receives a five percent discount and the Medicare beneficiary receives more benefits at less cost."

Senior Plan members will receive care through existing community hospitals, physicians, dentists, pharmacies and other medical service providers on contract. All services will be administered from the San Diego regional headquarters in Mission Valley.

FHP expects to enroll about 10,000 seniors within the next two years. "We're not attempting to be the largest HMO in San Diego," said Scharwath. "Our goal is to be the best."

Senior Plan is part of the FHP family of products, which includes HMOs and preferred provider organizations (PPOs), and workers' compensation and indemnity insurance.

FHP serves more than 566,000 members in California, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico and Guam. It is the second largest Medicare risk contractor in the nation, with 180,000 Senior Plan members. The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of FHP International Corp. (NASDAQ: FHP) based in Fountain Valley, Calif.

For more information on FHP Senior Plan call 800-225-4347.

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CAMPBELLTOWN, PA. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Nuclear Support Services Inc. (NASDAQ: NSSI) today announced that it has signed a letter of intent involving the sale of certain operations of NSSI's wholly owned subsidiary, HENZE-MOVATS Incorporated to Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX) in exchange for cash and certain staff augmentation operations which are currently part of Westinghouse's Nuclear Services Division (NSD).

In addition, NSSI will become a primary supplier of staff augmentation services to Westinghouse, including those staff augmentation services which are part of Westinghouse's integrated outage program for the nuclear utility industry.

Subject to certain conditions, Westinghouse will contract a minimum percentage of its staff augmentation needs over the next four years with NSSI. Completion of the transaction is subject to negotiation of mutually acceptable definitive agreements and approval by NSSI and Westinghouse.

NSSI will sell to Westinghouse the valve diagnostic and actuator operations of MOVATS together with Henze's nuclear valve maintenance operation. The non-nuclear valve and actuator operations of Henze, however, will remain a part of NSSI. NSSI will also be entitled to certain earn-out payments on the operations being sold if sales meet specified objectives over the next four

years.

NSSI will purchase both Westinghouse's NUMANCO business which supplies radiation protection management services, and Westinghouse's WISCO nuclear operations, which provides instrumentation, electrical and mechanical staff augmentation services.

Based on historic revenue levels, the revenues of the staff augmentation businesses acquired by NSSI exceed, by approximately $10 million, the revenues of those HENZE-MOVATS' operations sold by NSSI.

Joe C. Quick, chairman, president and chief executive officer of NSSI, said, "The board considers the proposed transaction to be a very positive step which will greatly strengthen NSSI's financial position and liquidity. In addition the purchase of NUMANCO and the WISCO nuclear operations dramatically increases both the revenue base of NSSI's traditional businesses and, because of the nature of the work, its profit margins. NSSI was originally founded to provide staff augmentation services to the nuclear power generating industry and has always been among the industry leaders. Weare now in the position to focus again on what we have done best in the past."

Quick noted, "Nuclear power utilities have been moving to a single source supply for maintenance and support work because of the increased efficiencies and cost savings. Westinghouse has been the leader in this concept. NSSI, by becoming part of this integrated work force, is provided with important new opportunities as we support Westinghouse in an area where we are particularly strong."

Earlier in 1990 NSSI had announced the formation of a Special Committee of its outside directors to explore various options for enhancing shareholder value. As part of this effort, NSSI had retained the Middle Market Group in Philadelphia as its investment bankers.

Quick stated, "The board believes that by the actions taken with Westinghouse, NSSI will achieve the two objectives under that Committee's charter, that is, NSSI will broaden its base of operations with higher margin business and will greatly strengthen its balance sheet to provide the financial support needed for growth in NSSI's basic business."

Nuclear Support Services Inc. is a leading company providing support and maintenance to the nuclear power, fossil fuel and processing industries.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Commodore Environmental Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: COES) today announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, revenues from continuing operations (as restated to reflect the discontinuance of asbestos abatement activities) increased from $288,000 to $303,000. The net loss from continuing operations was $69,000 and $14,000 for three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively. The overall net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $2,931,000 or $.064 per share, compared to an overall net loss of $297,000 or $.006 per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. During the third quarter of 1990, the company reported a gain on sale of discontinued subsidiaries of $3 million. In the third quarter of 1989, $283,000 of the net loss related to the discontinued operations.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 revenues from continuing operations (as restated to reflect the discontinuance of asbestos abatement activities) were $881,000, as compared to $887,000 for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989. The net loss from continuing operations was $83,000 and $23,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively. The overall net income for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $2,917,000 or $.063 per share compared to overall net income of $51,000 or $.001 per share for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989. During the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a gain on sale of discontinued subsidiaries of $3 million. In the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, $74,000 of income related to discontinued operations.

COMMODORE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC.
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(UNAUDITED)

Three months ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989(A)
Net revenues	$ 303,000	$ 288,000
Loss from continuing operations	(69,000)	(14,000)
Discontinued operations	3,000,000	(283,000)
Net income	$2,931,000	(297,000)
Net income (loss) per share:		
Continuing operations	(.001)	--
Discontinued operations	.065	(.006)
Net income (loss)	.064	(.006)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	46,030,000	46,030,000
Nine months ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989(A)
Net revenues	$ 881,000	$ 887,000
Loss from continuing operations	(83,000)	(23,000)
Discontinued operations	3,000,000	74,000
Net income	$2,917,000	51,000
Net income (loss) per share:		

Continuing operations	(.002)	--
Discontinued operations	.065	.001
Net income (loss)	.063	.001
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	46,030,000	51,238,000

(A) Restated to reflect discontinued operations.

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - E. Michael Moone has been named president and CEO of Stouffer Foods Corporation, succeeding David H. Jennings, who has been named chairman. The announcement was made today by James M. Biggar, chairman and CEO of Nestle Enterprises, Inc., the parent company of Stouffer Foods.

Moone has been president of Wine World Estates, another Nestle company, since 1984. For the past two years he has also been a vice president of Nestle Enterprises, Inc., responsible for both Wine World and Sunmark Inc.

Wine World Estates, headquartered in St. Helena, Calif., produces and markets the Beringer, Chateau Souverain, Meridian and Napa Ridge brands and also imports wine from Europe. It has part ownership in Maison Deutz Winery which produces a sparkling wine in Santa Maria, Calif. Sales and vineyard acreage have tripled in size under Moone. Before joining Wine World, Moone spent 11 years with Procter & Gamble.

Jennings is a 21-year veteran of Stouffer's. He joined the company in 1969 as a salesman, was elected vice president of sales in 1980, and then president and CEO in 1986.

Stouffer Foods Corporation was established in Cleveland in 1954 and has grown to be the nation's leading producer and marketer of fine, frozen prepared foods. The company now markets more than 150 products, including entrees, side dishes, French bread and traditional pizza, Lean Cuisine calorie-controlled dishes, a complete line of foodservice products and the newest line, Right Course, aimed at health-conscious consumers looking for low-fat, low-cholesterol and low-sodium entrees.

Walter T. Klenz, senior vice president of finance and operations at Wine World succeeds Moone as president of Wine World Estates.

CONTACT: Judy Ernest or Loretta Ivany, 216-349-5757, both of Nestle Enterprises, Inc.

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#90317p6423 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Empi, Inc., a major medical device manufacturer, announced today that it has given notice that the company intends to terminate its joint venture agreement with C.R. Bard. Empi plans to finalize design for a urinary incontinence system in- house, conduct marketing clinical trials and prepare to market the product. Empi is currently negotiating the provisions of a termination agreement with Bard.

Empi Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Donald Maurer said, "Based on our development work to date, we feel that Empi can offer an excellent solution for the serious and growing problem of female incontinence. We have given Bard notice that we are terminating our relationship because Bard has taken far longer than promised on the electrode development effort, which is critical to the completion of the incontinence device. Empi wants to bring a system to market as soon as possible, and there is no assurance this will occur if the agreement with Bard is continued. We want to have control of our own destiny."

Maurer added that in taking the project in-house, Empi expects to have a market-ready product by the fourth quarter of 1991. "Completing the design of this system will be the top priority of our R&D staff," he said. "Concurrent with finalizing the development work, we will be analyzing the marketplace to determine if we will sell this product direct, thereby creating a new distribution system, or if we will seek a marketing partner."

Concluded Maurer, "Empi's sales and income have increased significantly in 1990, and the company is on track for a record fiscal year. We continue to focus on building revenues from our core pain control and rehabilitation products. Developing a urinary incontinence product will greatly enhance our future diversification efforts into emerging, high-growth medical markets."

For the first nine months of 1990, Empi reported a 28 percent rise in sales of $11.6 million from $9.0 million in the year-earlier period. Net income year-to-date in 1990 more than doubled to $647,000, or $.34 per share, versus $307,000, or $.17 per share, last year.

Empi develops, manufactures and distributes biomedical devices, computer-based diagnostic systems and accessories for the physical medicine, orthopedic, rehabilitation and neurology markets. The company's shares are traded on the NASDAQ national market system under the symbol EMPI.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - FSI International, Inc. (NASDAQ: FSII), a supplier of capital equipment for the semiconductor industry, announced today that the company is terminating approximately 15 people due to a larger than anticipated loss for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

Richard Jackson, FSI president and chief executive officer, said, "We had earlier projected a loss for the period ending Nov. 24, 1990. However, low orders in the 1990 fourth quarter and some slippage of shipments from our first quarter into the second have combined to increase the loss, making this action necessary.

"We are currently seeing," continued Jackson, "stronger incoming orders compared with the fourth quarter and with the year-earlier period. While we expect our second quarter to be much-improved over the first quarter, the semiconductor market remains uncertain. Therefore we feel it is prudent to further streamline our organization and lower the company's breakeven point."

The termination includes two corporate officers: Alan Shuler, senior vice president and chief financial officer, and Truman Porter, vice president and general manager of megasonic and drying technologies. Shuler's responsibilities will be assumed by Benno Sand, vice president of finance. Wayne Hubin, vice president of operations, will be responsible for Porter's duties.

"We very much regret this step but it is necessary, as we go through this difficult cycle in the semiconductor industry," said Jackson. He also noted that other cost-control measures remain in effect, including a wage freeze for all employees, a reduction in officer salaries, and curbs on travel and other expenses. "Despite this workforce reduction, we are continuing with high priority product development and with aggressive sales and support programs," Jackson concluded.

In last year's first quarter, the company reported sales of $14.0 million and net income of $510,000, or $.12 per share. The loss in the 1991 first quarter will include the cost of severance packages and outplacement services for the affected workers. FSI currently has approximately 340 employees.

FSI International, Inc. is a leader in producing automated surface conditioning equipment for processing silicon wafers. The company develops, manufactures, markets and services centrifugal spray processing systems, photoresist processing equipment, gas processing systems, and chemical management and delivery systems for use in the fabrication of advanced semiconductor integrated circuits. FSI's customers include semiconductor manufacturers located throughout North America, Europe, Japan and the Far East.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Lund International Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: LUND) announced sales and earnings for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net sales for the first quarter were $2,967,815 compared to $2,822,527 for the same period last year. Net income was $91,408 or $.02 per share compared to $472,317 or $.10 for the same period in 1989.

The 5 percent increase in sales is primarily attributed to two new products (MoonVisor and Interceptor) which were released late in fiscal year 1990. Management attributes the flat performance of existing products to the sluggish new vehicle market during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The reduction in net income is attributed to increased expenditures resulting from start-up costs involving the Canadian operation, a patent infringement suit Lund has filed against a former director, and additional marketing costs related to the introduction of five new products.

One hundred percent of the sales came from Lund Industries, Inc., a subsidiary of Lund International Holdings, Inc. Lund Industries, Inc. is a manufacturer of add-on accessories for trucks and vans. Its product line is marketed through various automotive warehouse distributors throughout the United States and Canada.

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HAMILTON, BERMUDA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Nord Pacific Limited (NASDAQ: NORPF) announced today that its net loss for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,131,000, or $.38 per share, and its net loss for the three quarters ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $4,972,000, or $1.67 per share.

Comparatively, for the third quarter of 1989 the net loss was $312,000, or $.11 per share, and for the first three quarters of 1989 the loss was $1,186,000, or $.40 per share. Lower gold prices, fewer ounces of gold produced and increased production costs at the Kurara Gold Mine contributed to the higher losses for the respective periods, though losses were lower in the third quarter than in each of the previous two quarters of 1990.

Nord Pacific Limited is incorporated under the laws of Bermuda and is engaged in gold mining in Australia and in exploration for precious metals, base metals and strategic minerals in Australia, Papua New Guinea and North

America. At the Kurara gold mine in Western Australia, Pacific has an open pit mine in operation in which it has a 65 percent interest. In Eastern Australia, Pacific owns 100 percent of a promising copper project (Girilambone) in the final feasibility stage, which is advancing toward anticipated production in 1992. On the Tabar Islands located in Papua New Guinea, drilling and feasibility studies are continuing on several gold deposits, which are 30 percent owned by Pacific. Pacific also owns a 72.35 percent interest in a major deposit of the strategic minerals chromite, cobalt and nickel located near the Ramu River, Papua New Guinea. A U.S. subsidiary company, Hicor Corporation, based in Albuquerque, N.M., conducts North American exploration.

NORD PACIFIC LIMITED

A summary of the consolidated statement of earnings follows:

	QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,		THREE QUARTERS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,447,000	$3,108,000	$6,507,000	$9,113,000
Net (loss)	$(1,131,000)	$(312,000)	$(4,972,000)	$(1,186,000)
Net (loss) per share	$(.38)	$(.11)	$(1.67)	$(.40)

CONTACT1: Pierce Carson, president; or James Rosel, vice president, 505-884-8446, both of Nord Pacific LTD

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TORONTO (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited (TSE, ME: AGE; NASDAQ: AEAGF) reports income from production for the three- month period ended Sept. 30 1990 was $17.5 million, an increase of $8.8 million over the same period in 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30 1990, income from production was $56.4 million compared to $27.9 million for the comparable 1989 period. The increase in revenue was due principally to increased gold production from the recently acquired LaRonde Mine. In the 1990 third quarter gold production at the LaRonde Mine amounted to 25,100 ounces. Total 1990 third quarter, gold production was 39,603 ounces compared to 18,438 in the 1989 third quarter. For the first nine months of 1990 the company produced 126,680 ounces of gold compared to 52,247 ounces for the corresponding 1989 period.

Despite the substantially increased gold production, the company recorded a loss from continuing operations for the first nine months of $4.7 million or $0.18 per share compared to a loss of $1.8 million or $0.12 per share for the 1989 nine month period. For the third quarter ended Sept. 30 1990, the loss from continuing operations was $2.6 million or $0.09 per share compared to $0.2 million or $0.01 per share for the 1989 third quarter. Contributing to the loss was substantially increased amortization charges related to the cost

of acquiring the LaRonde mining property and greatly increased exploration costs. Additional amortization charges amounted to approximately $5.2 million or $0.20 on a per share basis for the first nine months of 1990.

SUMMARIZED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL AND OPERATING DATA
(unaudited)
Consolidated Financial Results (A) and (B)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Income from production (thousands)	$ 17,480	$ 8,749	$ 56,353	$ 27,896
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(2,554)	(172)	(4,651)	(1,762)
Per share	(0.09)	(0.01)	(0.18)	(0.12)
Net income (loss) for the period (thousands)	(2,554)	(114)	(4,651)	3,811
Per share	(0.09)	(0.01)	(0.18)	0.25
Weighted average number of shares outstanding (thousands)	27,054	15,089	25,796	15,026

NOTE: (A) Cash mine operating profit is calculated on an accrual basis and includes only mining and milling costs. All dollar amounts above are in Canadian funds unless otherwise indicated. Average gold prices include the effects of sales of bullion produced in prior periods.

(B) Income from production for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989 and nine months ended Sept. 30 1989 includes only the results of Agnico- Eagle's Joutel and Silver Divisions.

Operating results of Dumagami's LaRonde Mine, acquired in December 1989, are not included. Prior to the amalgamation, the company accounted for its interest in the LaRonde Mine using the equity method. The LaRonde Mine began commercial operations on Oct. 1, 1988.

CONTACT: Paul Penna, president, or Sean Boyd, treasurer of Agnico-Eagle Mines, 416-947-1212

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GREENVILLE, S.C. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Carolina First Corporation (NASDAQ: CAFC) announced today the election of William R. Timmons, Jr., as Chairman of its Board of Directors, filling the vacancy created by the recent death of A. Foster McKissick, Jr. Mr. Timmons, a lifelong Greenville resident, is First Vice President of Canal Insurance Company and President of Central Realty Corporation, both Greenville businesses.

Mack I. Whittle, Jr., President and Chief Executive Officer of Carolina Fisrt Corporation, said, "We are exceptionally pleased to have someone of Bill Timmons' experience and stature in the community as our new Chairman. As a founding director and member of the executive committee of Southern Bancorporation; a former board member of First Union of South Carolina, and a founding director of Carolina First, Bill brings enormous experience to the position. His broad business background and leadership qualities will be an added asset in guiding Carolina First in its growth over the coming years. Bill is also very familiar with the Georgetown County area having spent much time there, benefitting Carolina First's Litchfield office and First Federal of Georgetown as they expand."

Mr. Timmons attended the University of South Carolina and Furman University. He has been an active supporter of Furman, is currently serving a fourth term as a member of the Board of Trustees and is a former Chairman of the Board. He is a past President of the Greenville Sertoma Club and Greenville Insurance Agents Association, a member of Greenville Association of Realtors and First Baptist Church of Greenville.

In addition, the Carolina First Bank Board named Mack I. Whittle, Jr. its Chairman replacing A. Foster McKissick. Mr. Whittle will also continue to serve as President and Chief Executive Officer of Carolina First Bank. Charles B. Schooler will continue in his capacity as Chairman of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Georgetown and Joseph E. Johnston as its President.

Carolina First Corporation is a $335 million asset financial company consisting of Carolina First Bank, a state-chartered bank headquartered in Greenville, and of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Georgetown, a federally chartered savings and loan. Both are full-service, community-oriented financial institutions offering a broad range of commercial and consumer banking services. The Company operates, through its subsidiaries four offices in Greenville County and five in Georgetown County. The Company was organized in 1986 following an October initial public offering of stock. Through this offering, $15 million in capital was raised, earning Carolina First the distinction of being the largest bank holding company created in South Carolina. Its stock is traded on the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol CAFC. Market makers of Carolina First Corporation include J.C. Bradford, Interstate/Johnson Lane Securities and Robinson-Humphrey Company, Inc. It is a widely traded stock with over two million shares and over 2,500 outstanding shareholders.

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ARLINGTON, TEXAS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Technology Development Corp. (NASDAQ: TDCX) announced 1990 third quarter earnings of $140,973 or 7 cents per share of common stock, on revenues of $7.8 million.

Revenues more than doubled over the prior quarter and are up 44 percent as compared to the same period in 1989, as a result of the acquisition of Kaizen Corp., dba ComputerLand Metroplex, which became a wholly owned subsidiary of the company during this reporting period. Both the parent company and its subsidiary contributed to profitability, reversing losses which had been reported by TDC for the prior three quarters.

The company reported that new orders with agencies of the Department of Defense continue to be slow and backlog declined to $8.5 million, while both orders and deliveries for the microcomputer reseller market remained strong. The third quarter revenues include $4.5 million in sales from ComputerLand Metroplex, and $3.3 million in support of DoD programs. The company will continue to place increasing emphasis in the commercial sector.

Technology Development Corp. is the nation's largest independent developer of test software and related products and services for use by commercial, aerospace, and federal government organizations. Through its subsidiary, ComputerLand Metroplex, the company sells microcomputer systems and services to industries and businesses in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex.

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#90317p6438 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Two new directors were elected to the 3M board of directors Nov. 12.

They are Harry A. Hammerly, executive vice president, Industrial and Electronic Sector and Corporate Services, 3M, and Jerry E. Robertson, executive vice president, Life Sciences Sector and Corporate Services, 3M. Their elections increase the size of the 3M board to 17 directors.

During his 35-year career with 3M, Hammerly previously served as vice president, Finance, and vice president, Europe. He was named to his present position in May 1989. Hammerly, 56, joined 3M in 1955 in the Controller's organization and has held various financial and international management positions.

Robertson, 58, has been head of the Life Sciences Sector since 1984. Previously, he was group vice president, Health Care Products and Services Group. He joined 3M in 1963 as a senior medicinal chemist and has held various management positions in the company's health care businesses.

3M is a diversified manufacturer with operations in 52 countries. Its 1989 worldwide sales were $11.990 billion.

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#90317p6441 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

VIENNA, VA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - United Financial Banking Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: UFBC) reported losses for both the third quarter and nine month period ending Sept. 30, 1990. A loss of $199,887 was reported for the quarter compared to last year's third quarter earnings of $801,018. The nine-month loss was $25,140, as compared to the $1,182,081 reported earnings for the same period last year. Earnings per share also suffered losses of 20 cents for the quarter and 2 cents for the nine months, compared to 1989 earnings of 79 cents and $1.17, respectively.

The continuing slump in the region's real estate market, as well as the prolonged weakness in the economy are the primary reasons for the company's current performance. Earnings from real estate and other earning assets were $173,286 for the quarter, a decline of 87 percent from the $1,333,949 for third quarter 1989. This slowdown in earnings is attributed to the absence of bonus interest earned in 1989 on certain loan arrangements. Added expenses in the form of shifts from interest-free to interest-bearing deposits have also had an adverse effect on the company's earnings.

UFBC's capital position is still strong, with capital amounting to over 20 percent of assets. On Aug. 30, 1990, the company paid a 10 percent stock dividend.

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#90317p6446 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Kimberly-Clark Corp. today filed a shelf registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for $200 million of debt securities. The securities may be offered through underwriters or agents which may include Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Salomon Brothers Inc.

Proceeds would be used for general corporate purposes.

Kimberly-Clark is a manufacturer of household, personal care and health care products, as well as newsprint and business, correspondence and specialty papers.

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-30- 748

#90317p6452 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Honeywell Inc. (NYSE: HON) today authorized a two-for-one stock split in the form of a stock dividend, with the additional shares to be issued on or about Dec. 24, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Nov. 30, 1990.

The board also increased the Honeywell quarterly cash dividend to $0.75 per share from $0.6875, payable Dec. 17, to shareholders of record Nov. 30. The cash dividend is payable on existing shares before the stock dividend.

In addition, the Honeywell board of directors authorized a one- million share (pre-split basis) repurchase program for 1991. This is equal to two million shares on a post-split basis.

Honeywell is a global controls company that provides products, systems and services for homes and buildings, industry, and aviation and space. The company had 1989 sales of $6.1 billion.

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#90317p6453 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, N.C. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Durham Corporation (NASDAQ: DUCO) reports consolidated net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $11,917,000 or $1.41 per share compared to $4,405,000 or $0.52 per share in 1989. Income from continuing operations was $11,917,000 compared to $9,529,000 last year, $1.41 per share compared to $1.13 per share. Included in these earnings are realized gains on sale of investments -- these were $1,275,000 or $0.15 per share in 1990 and $5,541,000 or $0.66 per share in 1989.

On September 30, 1990, the consolidated assets of Durham Corporation totaled $844 million. The quality of the Company's bond, stock, mortgage loan and real estate portfolios is excellent. No bonds are in default and only 2 percent are below investment grade. There are no problem mortgage loans or real estate properties. Shareholders' equity at September 30, 1990 was $232 million, or $27.43 per share. Total revenues for the first nine months are $191 million which is a reduction of 20 percent from revenues of $240 million reported in the first nine months of the prior year. This reduction is primarily due to the contraction of the Group Division. The elimination of unsatisfactory accounts and the repricing of retained accounts have produced a significant improvement in the Group operations. Productivity in the individual lines continues to exceed the prior year. The Credit Insurance

Division is having another good year with revenues and profits exceeding 1989. Revenues from the Broadcasting subsidiary were down 6 percent, $9.6 million versus $10.2 million in 1989. Broadcasting profits are slightly higher than last year.

The Board of Directors of Durham Corporation at its meeting today, Nov. 13, 1990, declared a regular quarterly dividend of $0.23 per share payable on December 11, 1990, to shareholders on November 27, 1990.

Durham Corporation is a Raleigh-based holding company which through its subsidiaries has interests in life, accident and health insurance, broadcasting and real estate.

CONTACT: Donald L. Johnson, senior vice president and controller, for further financial and earnings information and Floyd E. Skipper, vice president and corporate secretary, for dividend information, both of Durham Corporation, 919-881-1100

-30- 2519

#90317p6459 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - In a paper delivered at the American Heart Association Conference in Dallas today, Dr. Irving Fox of Biogen, Inc. (NASDAQ: BGEN) presented positive results from Phase I clinical trials of hirulog, a potent and specific direct inhibitor of thrombin. Hirulog was developed through rational drug design by a Biogen team lead by Dr. John Maraganore and is based on the structure of the natural anticoagulant found in the medicinal leech.

Thrombin is a leading factor in clot formation. Direct thrombin inhibition by hirulog is a novel mechanism of anticoagulation that differentiates hirulog from heparin, the standard anticoagulant drug. Hirulog may solve the existing need for more effective anticoagulation therapy.

Hirulog was found to be well-tolerated and of considerable promise as an anticoagulant for human use. This drug may have broad potential therapeutic use in a number of conditions including myocardial infarction, unstable angina and deep vein thrombosis.

In a clinical trial of 60 healthy volunteers led by Biogen collaborator Dr. Paul Morrison at Guy's Drug Research, Ltd. in London, researchers found hirulog to be an effective anticoagulant when administered either subcutaneously or intravenously. The dose- dependent anticoagulant effect of the drug was also firmly established. An important finding showed that there was no evidence of bleeding or antibody formation following administration of the drug.

Since many patients who would benefit from hirulog treatment are also treated

with aspirin, the same researchers examined the anticoagulant effect of hirulog when administered to individuals taking aspirin. The study showed that aspirin-hirulog was well tolerated and resulted in no increases in bleeding times that could be attributed to hirulog. In addition, the anticoagulant effect of hirulog was not altered as a result.

Biogen's Phase I findings that hirulog is a well-tolerated and effective anticoagulant set the stage for further studies aimed at establishing hirulog's efficacy as an antithrombotic. Phase II trials with this goal are currently underway.

Biogen is a leading biotechnology company principally engaged in developing genetically engineered pharmaceuticals. As a result of its early research, Biogen now derives revenues from five products being sold by its licensees in various countries. Biogen currently directs its research in areas where the company has particular strength -- AIDS, inflammation, cardiovascular and selected cancers.

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#90317p6467 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&E Corp. (AMEX: ATW), a development stage company, reported today that for the third quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, the company had total revenues of $632,000 and a net loss of $12,260,000, or $1.11 per common share, compared to total revenues of $708,000 and a net loss of $5,701,000, or 68 cents per common share, for the same period in 1989.

AT&E also reported that for the nine months ended Sept. 28, 1990, the company had total revenues of $1,670,000 and a net loss of $28,498,000, or $2.67 per common share, compared to total revenues of $2,523,000 and a net loss of $14,962,000, or $1.60 per common share, during the comparable period in 1989.

AT&E also stated that as a result of unanticipated delays in consummating financings, the company's expenditures in connection with the development of the RECEPTOR (i) Personal Communications System (PCS) and associated business development activities, including technical testing and market trials, have materially adversely affected the company's cash position and financial condition.

At Sept. 28, 1990, AT&E had approximately $8.4 million in cash and $2 million in short-term investments, which short-term investments are pledged as collateral for capital leases.

The company stated that without further reductions in its operating expenses, the company will require an additional cash infusion to continue operations beyond December, 1990.

AT&E stated that it is pursuing a variety of measures to conserve its cash resources and preserve the value of its proprietary technology and other assets. AT&E is currently negotiating with Seiko Corp. and several potential joint venture partners to raise additional debt or equity capital in private financings.

In addition, the company is exploring the sale of the company and other merger or business combination opportunities with third parties. The company has also determined to further reduce its operating expenses.

Measures will include an additional workforce reduction and other options such as negotiating deferred payment terms with certain of its vendors. There can be no assurance, however, that AT&E will obtain additional capital, enter into a business combination or negotiate deferred payments to vendors on terms which are acceptable or favorable to the company.

A complete description of AT&E's third quarter results is contained in the company's quarterly report on form 10-Q for the quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990.

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-30- 2762

#90317p6469 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - In a continuing effort to streamline its military training services, McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) has consolidated the training activities of McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co. in Mesa, Ariz., into McDonnell Douglas Training Systems (MDTS). MDTS is a division of McDonnell Aircraft Co., based in St. Louis.

Consolidation of the helicopter training systems, services and support group with the rest of the corporation's military training efforts will further focus the resources and talents of the training organization, according to Dennis Behm, MDTS vice president and general manager. "This consolidation strengthens the overall training organization and provides a focal point for our customers," said Behm.

The helicopter training group, which includes approximately 50 employees, will remain in Mesa. The group provides training support for the AH-64 Apache helicopter program, including upcoming program upgrades for the current fleet and the Apache Longbow. Other potential programs include training support for the MD 500 series commercial helicopter program and the U.S. Army's advanced light attack helicopter.

"Another advantage in this consolidation is the additional training resources and expertise that can be brought to bear on the integrated training system for the LH (light helicopter) proposal," Behm added. McDonnell Douglas is

teamed with Bell Helicopter Textron in a competition for the U.S. Army's LH program against a team from Boeing Helicopter and Sikorsky Helicopter companies. MDTS is integrating the LH training system for the McDonnell Douglas team.

"The consolidation is a very positive step in ensuring a high-quality, best-value training system for the Army's future light attack helicopter," Behm said.

MDTS provides a full spectrum of total training systems capabilities. Services include high-quality analysis of training needs, courseware and curriculum development, training management systems tailored to customer requirements, computer-based training, interactive video disks, advanced-technology aircrew and maintenance training devices, classroom, simulator and flight instruction, and maintenance and logistics support.

MDTS provides training systems for the U.S. Air Force, Army, Marine Corps and Navy. Current programs include training systems for the C-17, T-1A, AH-64, T-45, A-12, F-14D/A-6E, AV-8B, KC-10 and E-6A, and Tactical Air Command instruction for the F-15, A-10, OV-10, OA-10, F-4 and F-111.

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#90317p6474 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Corporation (NYSE: WU) today announced the final extension of its current exchange offer, in which the company is proposing to issue new notes and common shares in exchange for up to $530 million of its presently outstanding 19-1/4 percent senior secured notes and 16 percent notes. The exchange offer, which had been scheduled to expire at midnight on Nov. 19, has been extended to midnight on Wednesday, Nov. 28.

This extension represents the last opportunity for Western Union noteholders to tender their securities under the terms of the exchange offer. Unless at least 95 percent of the outstanding principal amount of the 19-1/4 percent notes and 80 percent of the 16 percent notes are tendered by Nov. 28, the exchange offer will expire and will not be completed.

In that event, the corporation will promptly return all notes that have been tendered, and all consents to the proposed amendments to the 19-1/4 percent note indenture will be voided.

If the current exchange offer is not completed, Western Union intends to initiate, as soon as practicable after Nov. 28, a cash tender offer for a minimum of $250 million and a maximum of $350 million principal amount of the outstanding 19-1/4 percent and 16 percent notes at a purchase price of $500

per note.

The cash required to fund the tender offer would be obtained from the net proceeds of the company's pending sale of most of its Business Services unit to AT&T, which would, by mutual agreement, be conditioned upon Western Union's completion of either the exchange offer or the tender offer.

In the tender offer, the company would solicit consents from holders of the 19-1/4 percent notes to remove all restrictive covenants from, and release all collateral under, the 19-1/4 percent note indenture, as a result of which untendered 19-1/4 percent notes would become unsecured after completion of the tender offer.

AT&T has agreed to extend the termination date of the Business Services sale agreement to Dec. 31, 1990, in order to allow sufficient time for the final extension of the exchange offer or, if necessary, the completion of the proposed cash tender offer. It is expected that the closing of the Western Union/AT&T transaction and the completion of the tender offer would occur simultaneously.

Preliminary figures indicate that, as of 9 a.m. today, $345,794,000 aggregate principal amount of the 19-1/4 percent notes and $1,436,000 aggregate principal amount of the 16 percent notes had been tendered in Western Union's current exchange offer (including securities as to which delivery has been guaranteed).

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#90317p6480 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermadyne Holdings Corp. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Thermadyne Industries Inc., announced today that sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $114.1 million of 101 percent of the prior year's third quarter sales levels. Thermadyne's sales volume continues to be impacted by the weakened domestic economic environment, while experiencing growth in the international markets in which it participates. Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) amounted to $23.3 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, or 104 percent of the comparable 1989 levels. Sales and EBITDA for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $352.4 million and $74.5 million or 99 percent and 103 percent of the comparable 1989 levels. Thermadyne has enjoyed EBITDA growth in 1990 despite the low growth in sales volume, primarily due to the cost reduction efforts implemented in the second half of 1989 along with additional cost containment efforts implemented in 1990.

Thermadyne's number one priority, given the difficult economy it presently finds itself in, is to continue to manage costs in 1990 while planning for a

potential recession in 1991. The company's strategy for 1991 falls into three main areas: market share gains, pricing, and continued cost reductions. The company believes the combination of the correct marketing plan with products that already enjoy the number one market positions will be a powerful formula in a soft market to further strengthen and increase its market shares. More importantly, it is also developing an aggressive pricing strategy for each product line to properly benefit from the present inflation mentality. Three price increases have already been announced with all pricing actions to be announced by January, 1991.

The cost reduction strategies for 1991 are well under way. Thermadyne has recently announced the relocation of its Stoody manufacturing facility from its present location in Industry, Calif. to a newly constructed leased facility in Bowling Green, Kentucky. In addition, Thermadyne has recently indentified and implemented further headcount reductions at a number of its locations. These efforts, coupled with the completion of the previously announced Marison/Coyne consolidation, should be a solid beginning to Thermadyne's 1991 cost reduction strategy.

Thermadyne's sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $114.1 million which was a slight increase over the sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989 of $113.3 million. Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $352.4 million compared to sales of $354.4 million in the comparable period in 1989. EBITDA for the three and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $23.4 milion and $74.5 million compared to $22.5 million and $72.5 million in the comparable periods in 1989.

Operating income for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $13.0 million and $44.9 million compared to $12.9 million and $32.7 million for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. In the first quarter 1989, the company incurred a non-recurring charge related to stock option cancellation payments and additional amortization of intangibles, both the result of the April 12, 1989, transaction.

The company reported a net loss of $11.1 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to a loss of $10.5 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company's net loss was $26.6 million compared to a net loss of $69.4 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Additional interest expense, transaction related costs and amortization of intangibles and deferred costs created as a result of the April, 1989, transaction increased the company's net loss in 1989 compared to 1990.

Thermadyne is a manufacturer of products and accessories used in connection with cutting and welding metal, powered cleaning equipment used in connection with the care and maintenance of floors, and wear resistant products.

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#90317p6489 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Medstone International Inc. (NASDAQ: MSHK) announced today that it has indefinitely suspended its efforts to secure FDA approval for gallstone lithotripsy.

The expense associated with a new protocol, the time to enroll the required number of patients, the unknown outcome regarding the relabeling of CIBA-Geigy's Actigall and eroding demand prompted this action.

Medstone's President, Richard Ferrari said, "Although we are disappointed, this action will allow us to focus our lithotripsy marketing efforts on kidney stones where we have full approval."

The Medstone board of directors is currently exploring new growth opportunities in the health care industry. Internal projects and strategic joint ventures are being evaluated.

Medstone International Inc. manufactures shockwave lithotripsy systems. Approximately 6,000 kidney stone patients per year are being treated successfully on Medstone machines.

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-30- 1234

#90317p6491 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

STUART, FLA. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Seacoast Banking Corporation of Florida (NASDAQ-NMS: SBCFA), a bank holding company whose subsidiary is First National Bank and Trust Company of the Treasure Coast, today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.10 per share on Class A stock, an indicated annual dividend of $.40.

It also declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.09 per share on Class B stock, an indicated annual dividend of $.36. The dividends are payable on Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 13.

Seacoast, which is the largest locally controlled and managed bank on Florida's Treasure Coast, one of the wealthiest areas in Florida and one of the fastest growing in the nation, has total combined assets of approximately $500 million.

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-30- 1069

#90317p6494 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO/ST. LOUIS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - PCL Industries Limited today announced results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. All figures are in Canadian dollars.

The third quarter and nine month year to date results were prepared to reflect the ongoing plastics operations of PCL Industries Limited and to exclude the operations of the furniture and equipment rental businesses which were divested effective Dec. 31, 1989, in a transaction which closed July 31, 1990. The 1989 comparative results have been restated to disclose separately the results of the divested operations.

Results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, indicated consolidated sales of $22,596,000 compared with 1989 restated sales of $27,585,000 and operating income of $702,000 versus a 1989 restated total of $2,696,000. 1990 net income was $14,000 or 0 per common share compared to $1,468,000 or 21 per share in 1989. 1989 net income includes net earnings of the divested businesses of $403,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, consolidated sales were $67,989,000 with operating income of $2,502,000 and net income of $1,591,000 or 22 per common share including net gains on divestiture of $2,048,000. The comparable restated 1989 figures were sales of $79,043,000 and operating income of $5,911,000. Net income of $2,785,000 for 1989 or 41 per common share includes net earnings of the divested businesses of $1,124,000 for the period.

PCL Industries Limited is a management operating company, listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange, involved in the plastics and packaging businesses through its subsidiary and affiliated companies, PCL Plastics Corp., Uniplast Industries Inc., Plasti-Fab Ltd. and British Polythene Industries plc (formerly Scott & Robertson plc). Toronto-based Smurfit Papertube Limited, an affiliate of Smurfit International B.V. and St. Louis, Missouri-based Jefferson Smurfit Corp., owns approximately 38 percent of the common shares of PCL Industries.

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or Terry Ingram of Jefferson Smurfit, 314-746-1242

-30- 2311

#90317p6499 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Express announced today a 30 percent increase in seat capacity between Jackson, Miss., and Houston's Intercontinental Airport effective on Nov. 15. The airline will replace the

30-passenger Embraer Brasilia with the 46-passenger Aerospatile/Aeritalia ATR-42 on all flights.

Continental Express began operating from Jackson in June of 1990 and has reported an average load factor of 52 percent. Connie Lanker, vice president of the Houston Hub for Continental Express, said, "Although Continental Express has been serving the Jackson community for only five months, we have developed a significant traffic base which allows us to support the local community with additional seat capacity."

Continental Express customers departing from Jackson can make quick connections to flights on Continental Airlines in Houston and take advantage of advance seat selection, one time check-in and baggage handling as well as low connecting fares. From Houston's Intercontinental Airport, there are more than 280 Continental and Continental Express departures to destinations throughout the world.

Continental Express will provide service between Jackson and Houston with leading technology in commercial aviation. The Aerospatile/Aeritalia ATR-42 aircraft features state-of-the-art avionics, full weather radar and complete passenger amenities. Customer conveniences include overhead storage for carry-on items, fold-down work tables and inflight snack service.

Reservations and further scheduling and fare information may be obtained from local travel agencies or by calling Continental Airlines toll free at 800-525-0280. The following is the Nov. 15 schedule between Jackson and Houston:

JACKSON TO HOUSTON INTERCONTINENTAL

Flight	Departure	Arrival	Frequency
2689	7:05 a.m.	8:45 a.m.	Except Sunday
2687	11:15 a.m.	12:55 p.m.	Daily
2685	3:15 p.m.	4:50 p.m.	Daily
2683	6:35 p.m.	8:10 p.m.	Except Saturday

HOUSTON INTERCONTINENTAL TO JACKSON

Flight	Departure	Arrival	Frequency
2688	9:20 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	Except Sunday
2686	1:20 p.m.	3:00 p.m.	Daily
2684	4:45 p.m.	6:20 p.m.	Daily
2682	8:35 p.m.	10:15 p.m.	Except Saturday

CONTACT: Peggy Mahoney of Continental Express, 713-853-9726.

-30- 2663

#90317p6514 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Lomas Financial Corp. (NYSE: LFC) today reported net income of $21,796,000, or 51 cents per share, for its first

quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $36,814,000, or $1.07 per share, for the same period last year. Revenues for the period were $72,027,000, compared with revenues for the same period last year of $77,544,000.

The Company reported income from continuing operations of $25,516,000, compared with a loss during the same period last year of $20,403,000.

Lomas Financial Corp. and certain of its real estate subsidiaries filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the federal Bankruptcy Code on Sept. 24, 1989. Accordingly, the results of operations reflects the accrual of interest for only for those businesses excluded from the Company's Chapter 11 filing.

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-30- 1070

#90317p6515 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH PALM BEACH, FLA. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - FPL Group, Inc. (NYSE: FPL) today filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a proposed public offering of 8 million shares of common stock. In addition to these shares, the underwriters will be given the option of purchasing an additional 1.2 million shares for covering over-allotments, if any. The offering, scheduled to take place within three weeks, will be made through Merrill Lynch & Co.

Net proceeds from the sale will be added to FPL Group's general funds and will be used to provide equity funds for its subsidiaries and/or for other corporate purposes.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities & Exchange Commission, but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to the registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

A copy of the written prospectus relating to these securities can be obtained from the underwriters.

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-30- 1577

#90317p6516 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHANTILLY, VA. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Bridgestone Corporation, based in Tokyo, and Banner Industries, Inc. (NYSE: BNR), with headquarters in Chantilly announced today that the companies have signed an agreement for the acquisition by Bridgestone of the foreign operations of Banner's Thompson Aircraft Tire Corporation for a purchase price (including non-competition agreement consideration) of approximately $28 million.

Involved in the purchase are Banner's indirect, wholly owned subsidiaries Thompson Aircraft Tire Corporation Belgium, S.A. and Thompson Aircraft Tire Corporation (U.K.) Limited, as well as the company's 45 percent equity interest in Thompson Aircraft Tire Company (Asia) Limited.

The transaction is scheduled to close in January 1991, pending approval by both companies' boards of directors.

Bridgestone will continue to sell new aircraft tires to Banner's operation in the United States. The parties have entered into certain arrangements which could facilitate Bridgestone's entry into the U.S. aircraft tire retreading market in the future.

Banner Industries is a leading supplier of aerospace and industrial products and communications services.

Bridgestone Corporation is a leader among the world's tire manufacturers.

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Edward Nebb or Terence Rooney of Morgen-Walke Associates, 212-986-5900,
for Banner Industries

-30- 1621

#90317p6519 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - NDE Environmental Corporation (NASDAQ: NDEC) today reported increased revenues of almost 200 percent in the third quarter and almost 90 percent for the nine months, as it announced financial results for the periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Quarterly revenues increased to $780,950 from $271,409 in the prior year's third quarter. The company sustained a net loss of $529,874 or 21 cents per share versus a loss of $176,869 or 12 cents per share in the fiscal 1989 quarter. Nine-month revenues rose to $2,023,788 versus $1,076,340 in the same period last year. Net loss for this year's nine months was $828,830 or 35 cents per share compared with a loss of $392,253 or 21 cents per share in the 1989 fiscal period.

John R. Mastandrea, president, attributed the revenue increases largely to underground fuel tank testing sales by the company's wholly owned subsidiary,

NDE Testing & Equipment, Inc, formerly Pan Am Environmental Systems, which it bought in March 1990.

He pointed out that increased marketing and administration costs invested in this subsidiary contributed to the increased losses. "However, NDE expects this continuing investment to accelerate sales and improve financial performance," he stated.

Mastandrea also noted that, if the acquisition of Pan Am Environmental had occurred as of Jan. 1, 1989, pro forma results for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 would show significantly reduced losses. Pro forma 1990 nine-month loss would have been $968,000 or 39 cents per share compared with a pro forma 1989 nine-month loss of $1,607,000 or 85 cents per share.

NDE's patented VPLT System for testing underground tanks was judged by the Environmental Protection Agency, at its Edison, N.J., tests from 1987-1990, to be the only periodic lead detection system that meets EPA regulations for underfilled tank testing, and it was one of four systems to meet overfilled tank testing regulations.

NDE also provides such services as testing and leak pinpointing for pipelines, underwater hoses and spacecraft; impact testing on materials and a variety of other technical and consulting services.

NDE ENVIRONMENTAL CORPORATION
Financial Highlights
(unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$780,950	$271,409	$2,023,788	$1,076,340
Net loss	(529,874)	(176,869)	(828,830)	(392,253)
Net loss per share	(.21)	(.12)	(.35)	(.21)
Wtd. avg. shares outs.	2,468,565	1,472,850	2,392,198	1,883,228

Selected balance sheet data:

	Sept. 30, 1990
Cash	$3,463,497
Working capital	4,769,626
Total assets	7,290,235
Long term debt	287,165
Stockholders' equity	6,279,576

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DAYTON, OHIO (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Nord Resources Corp. (NYSE: NRD) announced today a net loss for the third quarter ended Sept. 30. of $1,314,000 or $.09 per share on revenues of $27,124,000.

For the same period in 1989, Nord reported net earnings of $3,513,000 or $.23 per share on revenues of $22,182,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net earnings totalled $123,000 or $.01 per share, compared to net earnings of $10,021,000, or $.66 per share for the same period in 1989. Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, were $74,196,000 compared to $67,928,000 for the same period of 1989.

Net operating results continue to be adversely affected by higher costs associated with the introduction and marketing of Nord's proprietary kaolin pigment, Norplex(TM) to paper manufacturers worldwide. The operating loss from the kaolin segment for the third quarter of 1990 was $1,966,000 or $.13 per share compared to an operating loss of $736,000 or $.05 per share during the third quarter of 1989. The operating loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 was $6,442,000, or $.42 per share, and $2,106,000, or $.14 per share, respectively. It is anticipated that the operating losses will continue at the kaolin segment at least through the first half of 1991, but will decrease as increased orders for Norplex(TM) are received.

Operating earnings for the rutile segment were $3,813,000 and $5,427,000 for the third quarter of 1990 and 1989, respectively. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, operating earnings were $14,190,000 and $16,427,000, respectively. Although the rutile segment realized increased prices and revenues in 1990 compared to 1989, increased costs associated primarily with mining a new ore deposit, costs associated with supplemental mineral processing programs and higher depreciation expense as a result of prior years' capital expenditures resulted in lower operating earnings in 1990 compared to 1989. Increased prices and higher operating costs are expected to continue for the rutile segment during the remainder of 1990.

Borrowings associated primarily with capital expenditures resulted in additional interest expense of $650,000 or $.04 per share in both the third quarter and in the nine months of 1990 compared to 1989.

Nord Resources Corp. is a major producer of natural rutile (a premium titanium dioxide mineral), kaolin and perlite, and holds a significant interest in Nord Pacific Limited, a company engaged in the exploration for and development of precious, strategic and base metals.

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MILWAUKEE, WIS. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - American Medical Buildings, Inc. (AMEX: A) announced today its results for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company had a net loss of $305,000 ($.02 per share) in the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $25,000 ($.00 per share) in the comparable quarter of 1989. On Aug. 15, 1990, the company filed for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code. Until Dec. 13, 1990, the company has the exclusive right to propose a plan of reorganization. The company is currently seeking additional capital to make such a plan of reorganization possible.

The company's backlog of final contracts totaled approximately $20,000,000 at Sept. 30, 1990.

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#90317p6528 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - TeleCom Corporation (NYSE: TEL) today reported a net loss of $297,000 (8 cents per share) with revenues of $13.3 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to net income of $77,000 (2 cents per share) with revenues of $13.0 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The primary cause for the loss was TeleCom's decision to write down the carrying value of a real estate asset which had been held for sale as a result of a new appraisal on the property. The loss for the third quarter of 1990, as compared to the net income reported in the same period in 1989, was also impacted by increased losses in TeleCom's wholesale distribution operations as increased losses at Comfort Supply Inc., were only partially offset by increased net income at Allen-Lewis Manufacturing Co. Overall, the manucfaturing operations reported a slight improvement in results due to a strong increase in Meyer Machine Co.'s results which were offset by lower income at Meyer Conveyair Inc., and losses reported by Meyer Vi-Tech Ltd., and Meyer Tempco Inc.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, TeleCom Corp. reported net income of $398,000 (11 cents per share) with revenues of $41.6 million compared to net income of $1,106,000 (30 cents per share) with revenues of $41.8 million for the same period in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, in addition to the above mentioned items, the reduction in net income was also attributable to "other income and expense" items. "Other income" declined as a result of lower interest income

earned on lower average invested funds, reduced royalty income earned by Meyer Conveyair and the absence in 1990 of certain insurance refunds as well as engineering charges on canceled orders reported in 1989 by Meyer Machine.

TeleCom Corp. has interests in the manufacture of conveying and processing equipment for the food, beverage, can manufacturing and chemical industries and the wholesale distribution of air conditioning and heating products as well as souvenir, novelty and gift items.

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#90317p6529 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MT. KISCO, N.Y. (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Trans World Airlines Inc. (TWA) today reported an operating profit of $58.8 million for the 1990 third quarter and $1.9 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to operating profits of $60.7 million and $110.3 million, respectively, for comparable periods in 1989. The principal reasons for the reduced operating profit in 1990 compared to 1989 are: (a) higher prices for fuel (approximately $99 million increase for the first nine months of 1990 over the comparable 1989 period); and (b) a general increase in the price to TWA of services and materials purchased, including certain contractual increases in labor rates; and (c) additional personnel employed to improve and maintain TWA's quality of service.

For the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, TWA reported a net loss of $14.7 million and $54.3 million, respectively, compared to a net loss of $29.9 million and $117.3 million, for the comparable periods in 1989. The reduced amount of net loss for the first nine months of 1990 is principally attributable to $166.8 million of net gains from sales of assets including: (a) $83 million from the sale of certain airport facilities at Chicago; (b) $47 million from the sale of aircraft; and (c) $37 million from sales of a portion of TWA's interest in WORLDSPAN, the passenger reservation system owned principally by TWA, Delta and Northwest.

In addition, the loss was reduced by an extraordinary gain of $29 million from the repurchase of $332 million principal amount of TWA's long-term debt securities, some of which was repurchased at a discount.

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#90317p6533 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FL (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of its ongoing commitment to higher education, Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) today donated a $500,000 real-time computer system to the University of Central Florida that will help

students and researchers develop a simulator network.

Harris Computer Systems Division donated the Night Hawk computer system to UCF's Institute of Simulation and Training, which conducts research for government and industry. It also serves as a clearinghouse for technology transfer and as a hub for academic research conducted by universities across the country.

The institute placed the system at the center of a network linking multiple tank simulators, flight simulators and graphics platforms. The new system enables researchers to generate a greater number of very sophisticated simulations.

The high-performance Night Hawk system will serve as a research tool for both the U.S. Army and the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency. The system also will support student education by allowing students to write software and run simulations.

Harris Computer Systems Division produces real-time computer systems and software for simulation and related real-time markets. The division is part of Harris' Electronic Systems Sector.

Harris Corporation, with worldwide sales of more than $3 billion, is focused on four major businesses: Electronic systems, communications, semiconductors and office equipment.

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#90317p6540 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - At a time when many banks are trimming dividends or eliminating them altogether, Charter Pacific Bank announced the first cash dividend in its nearly 10-year history. Charter Pacific, which was recently ranked the top bank in Los Angeles and Ventura counties based on Return on Assets (ROA), said its 10 cents per share dividend is payable on Dec. 5, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 15, 1990.

Allen Blum, president and chief executive officer of the three branch bank said that his board of directors believes the bank has reached a level of maturity where this action is both appropriate and timely. Blum also noted that the cash dividend would enable certain institutions that only invest in companies that pay cash dividends, to now become shareholders in Charter Pacific. Said Blum: "We look at this cash dividend as a declaration of our financial strength and our confidence in the future. In fact, we're far ahead of the basic capital requirements and substantially exceed the risk-based capital guidelines that become effective at year end."

Charter Pacific Bank, with $70 million in assets, earned a Super Premier quality rating from The Findley Reports (an independent agency that monitors the performance of California banks) and is headquartered in Agoura Hills, with branch offices in Calabasas and Beverly Hills.

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#90317p6542 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAKLAND, CALIF (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - East Bay Municipal Utility District General Manger, Jerome B. Gilbert today announced his retirement effective April 1, 1991, ending 10 years as head of the regional water and wastewater agency.

Gilbert said he made his decision several weeks ago, and submitted a letter of intention to EBMUD Board President Sanford M. Skaggs on Nov. 6. He said he delayed a public announcement to avoid having any effect on the outcome of the election of four board members that day.

Skaggs expressed regrets about Gilbert's retirement plans, calling him "A national and international water expert who will be very difficult to replace. His leadership has moved the district forward on a lot of fronts."

Under Gilbert's leadership, EBMUD was successful in obtaining the right to divert water from the American River while protecting the river's environment, making improvements to the district's water treatment system with ozone and carbon treatment at two sites, constructing a new office building, adding numerous employee benefits and improving the district's retirement system. A new training unit was set up during his tenure, and employees were brought into planning processes on such projects as the new administration building. Gilbert added minorities and women to the district's management team and expanded opportunities for participation by minority and women-owned businesses in EBMUD contracts.

Gilbert cited improvement in the EBMUD Wastewater Department as one of his major accomplishments. A creative intergovernmental program with cities to control wet weather overflows to San Francisco Bay promises to eliminate a major source of pollution from the East Bay. He praised the EBMUD staff as, "A fine group of professionals with an organization known worldwide for its technical excellence and professional dedication."

The EBMUD general manager said his retirement decision reflects his personal objectives after 10 years of service to the district. Before coming to EBMUD, Gilbert was an officer and owner of a consulting engineering company, executive officer of the State Water Resources Control Board, and manager of

the North Marin County Water District.

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#90317p6543 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Wilson Brothers (PSE) announced today results of operations for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales were $3.2 million compared to $2.1 million in the same quarter of the prior year. Results for 1990 include those of Northern Engineering Corporation, which was acquired at the end of 1989. The company reported a net loss of $244,000 or $.07 per share in the current year's quarter vs. net earnings of $322,000 or $.08 per share in the prior year's comparable quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales were $10.2 million compared to $5.2 million in the same period of the prior year. The company had a net loss of $544,000 or $.16 per share in the current nine month period compared to net earnings of $48,000 or $.01 per share in the same period of the prior year.

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MEXICO CITY, MEXICO (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Grupo Carso, S.A. de C.V. today announced it has teamed with subsidiaries of France Telecom and Southwestern Bell Corp. to prepare for a bid for Telefonos de Mexico (TELMEX), the nation's telecommunications company. The parties are actively studying the financial position, regulatory climate and technological needs of Telmex, with every intention of developing a bid.

To modernize and expand its country's telephone system, the Mexican government invited Mexican investors to join international telecommunications companies in submitting proposals to buy control of Telmex. Bids are due by Nov. 15, and the government is expected to name a purchaser in late December.

The Grupo Carso team members will benefit from a synergy of each firm's important strengths:

Grupo Carso, headed by leading Mexican entrepreneur and industrialist Carlos Slim, is a diversified business group with holdings throughout Mexico. Grupo Carso brings a keen interest in the advancement of the economic and social conditions of Mexico as well as an intimate knowledge of the nation's business environment. Grupo Carso has a proven reputation for improving the production

and financial performance of the businesses it acquires.

France Cables et Radio, S.A., is a subsidiary of France Telecom, which brings a unique expertise and interest in the modernization of telecommunications networks. France Telecom rapidly developed its nation's system from 4 million access lines in 1971 to 28 million access lines today. France Telecom's network has the widest deployment of digital technology in the world, and the company has become a global leader in information services. France Telecom is one of the largest telecommunications companies in the world, with approximately $20 billion in annual revenue.

Southwestern Bell International Holdings Corp. is a subsidiary of Southwestern Bell Corp., which has a 100-year history of meeting its customers' communications needs. Southwestern Bell has vast experience in delivering affordable, state-of-the-art telecommunication products and services in rural regionals as well as major metropolitan areas such as Dallas and Houston. Recognized worldwide, Southwestern Bell's subsidiaries have a broad international presence and are ranked among the largest U.S. providers of directory services, cellular and paging services. "I feel very confident in the strength of our group," said Carlos Slim, president of Grupo Carso. "The consortium has the desire, the experience and the technological expertise to develop the Mexican network to a world-class system. And I believe that telecommunications infrastructure will be the backbone of Mexico's economic growth and prosperity."

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Washington Real Estate Investment Trust (AMEX: WRE) (WRIT) increased its annual dividend rate by 7.4 percent from $1.08 to $1.16. This is the 24th increase reflecting an 867 percent increase over the last 20 consecutive years at a 12 percent compound annual rate of increase from 1970 thru 1990. The Trust's increased income this year can be ascribed primarily to important large leases and improvements at Pepsi Cola Business Center, the Capitol Freeway Center for the District of Columbia Police, the Concord Shopping Center and the 444 N. Frederick Office Building.

WRIT completed capital improvements in excess of $1 million for Pepsi-Cola, including expansion of offices, computer center and paved parking facilities; Pepsi moved into their 69,000 square foot center. The 10-year, triple-net lease represents a 50 percent increase over the prior rent.

The District of Columbia Police Department moved into WRIT's 145,000 square foot Capitol Freeway Center under a 10-year lease. Just south of the U.S.

Capitol and a new Metro station, the Center is near Washington's downtown office building core, the Freeway and Interstate Highway System. Recent major improvements by WRIT include an attractive facelift to the facade, greatly expanded and improved offices, and 75 additional adjacent paved, lit, landscaped and fenced parking spaces.

Reinvestment and improvements increase rents: The restaurant and the last two remaining stores in the new 19,500 square foot addition to the Concord Shopping Center have been leased. The recent expansion and renovation cost WRIT approximately $2,100,000 with a pay back of three years.

WRIT also has completed major capital improvements at the 444 N. Frederick Office Building in the I-270 Corridor in Gaithersburg, Md., which it purchased a year ago for $4,600,000 all cash; and then rebuilt elevators, air conditioning and public areas. The tenants on short leases a year ago have renewed and leasing of then vacant space is proceeding well; now as a Class A building. At the Trust's $68 cost per square foot, high investment yields and WRIT's very low cost of capital should provide a leveraging of cash equity (not debt).

Low, declining debt and liquidity: Only six of WRIT's 29 properties are mortgaged, and those mortgages are all with long-term, amortizing, low fixed interest rates; and the Trust has no other significant debt. In addition, WRIT's cash, cash equivalent and very short-term prime investment paper of $15 million hopefully will continue to give the Trust a competitive advantage in the months ahead.

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#90317p6553 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC) voted today not to renew its contract-management agreement with Cincinnati-based ATE Management and Services Company, Inc. (ATE).

The current ATE contract expires Dec. 31, and will not be renewed, according to Carole M. Faricy, chairman of the Metropolitan Transit Commission. After that date, the commission will directly employ all of its managers.

ATE has been providing management services and contract-management personnel to the MTC since 1970. Under the terms of the current contract, three ATE employees are assigned to the MTC: Chief Administrator John Capell, Assistant Chief Administrator for Transit Operations Jerrold Olson and Equipment Maintenance Director Steve Morris.

Under MTC Bylaws and Minnesota Statutes, the Metropolitan Transit Commission

is granted authority to contract with a management company for its managers and management services, but it is also required to periodically evaluate overall performance and the viability of contract- management relationships.

To aid in its most recent evaluation, the MTC employed Public Administration Service (PAS) of Washington, D.C., which recommended that the commission end its agreement with ATE when it expires in December.

"The commission believes that the consultant's report makes a number of compelling arguments for bringing MTC management in-house," said Chairman Faricy. "Although we are not dissatisfied with the performance of ATE's assigned managers, we feel, in the final analysis, the local community will be better served by people directly employed by the transit company."

She added that the commission soon will appoint an acting chief administrator and will begin the process of recruiting and selecting permanent replacements for those key positions immediately.

The consulting firm concluded that contract management is approximately 25 percent more expensive than the expected cost of MTC employing its own management. The report also noted that there could be a perception that contract managers have two masters and, thus, have potentially divided loyalties.

The Metropolitan Transit Commission is the region's primary provider of regular-route public transit service and coordinates the activities of Minnesota Rideshare throughout the Twin Cities metropolitan area.

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#90317p6560 11/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, ORE. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Epitope Inc. (AMEX: EPT) today reported a 58.3 percent increase in product revenues and a loss of $2,904,000, (44 cents per share), for the year ended Sept. 30. The loss compares to a loss of $2,603,000, (47 cents per share), in the prior year.

Product revenues for the year ended Sept. 30 rose to $2,808,000 from $1,774,000 due to increased volume and higher average selling prices. This 58.3 percent increase more than offset a decline in clinical service revenues due to the phase-out of parentage testing. The improvements in product sales volumes and prices also resulted in a gross margin of 27.3 percent, up from 1.4 percent in the prior year. Total revenues for the year reached a record $3,562,000 in fiscal 1990, an increase of 10.5 percent over the prior year.

Research and development expenses for the year were higher than in the prior year due to increased activity on Epitope's saliva-based diagnostics,

antiprotozoal therapeutic drug, and grape micropropagation projects. Selling, general and administration also increased as a result of intensified business development activities, together with a one-time $341,000 third-quarter charge incurred in settlement of employment contract obligations to two former officers.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, Epitope reported a loss of $415,000, (6 cents per share), after giving effect to a favorable year-end inventory adjustment which was partially offset by the write-off of certain previously capitalized licensure costs. The fourth quarter was a significant improvement over the $1,144,000 loss experienced in the third quarter of the fiscal year and comparable to the loss of $374,000, (6 cents per share), for the same period in the prior year. Improved product sales volumes produced a 28 percent increase in product sales as compared to the prior year fourth quarter, but the phase out of parentage testing resulted in an overall decline of revenues for the quarter. Fourth-quarter product sales of $681,000 were 14.8 percent higher than the third quarter of fiscal 1990.

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#90317u0029 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 13) UPI - President Bush has called a meeting of bipartisan congressional leaders at the White House tomorrow. The session comes amid mounting pleas that Bush order a special session of Congress to debate increased U-S involvement in the Persian Gulf.

Senate leaders, pending a decision on a special session, today ordered a series of hearings into the crisis. But the White House insists that a special session is NOT necessary at this point and that any talk of a declaration of war by Congress is premature.

A U-S-A Today poll says President Bush is losing public support on his handling of the Persian Gulf crisis. The poll of 615 Americans found Bush's approval rating has slipped 31 percentage points to 51 percent since August 20th.

Seattle authorities have charged five civilians and an Air Force airman with in the Veterans Day pipe bombings of two cars and an office at McChord Air Force Base. The civilians are being held without bond and the airman is being held in the stockade at Fort Lewis.

Entertainer-turned-mayor Sonny Bono says he's considering running for the U-S Senate in 1992. The 50-year-old Palm Springs, California, mayor says recent events in the state have convinced him the time is right.

The American Automobile Association says the average price of regular unleaded

gasoline has jumped by more than 11 cents a gallon since Labor Day weekend... and 31 cents since August 1st, the day before Iraq invaded Kuwait.

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#90317u0081 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 13) UPI - The head of the Gulf Cooperation Council says war is the only way to force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. G-C-C General Secretary Abdullah Bishara told reporters in Saudi Arabia Monday that Iraqi forces ''will NEVER withdraw through diplomatic niceties.'' And he says he doesn't believe the conflict can be resolved by the Arab world.

A San Diego-based veterans' group is preparing gift packages for American troops in the Persian Gulf region for the holiday season. The non-profit organization Help Hospitalized Veterans says the holiday treats- which consist of candy, dried fruit, cookies and other snacks- should arrive before Christmas.

In South Africa, the African National Congress is being accused of plotting to assassinate the president of the nominally independent tribal territory of Bophuthatswana, northwest of Pretoria. The territory's police commissioner says authorities detained 32 A-N-C members and supporters after the plot was discovered.

A survey of small business owners shows most are owned by men. The National Association for the Self-Employed surveyed more than 20- thousand small business owners and found that men far and away outnumber women in terms of ownership... 72-point-nine percent. Women accounted for 27-point-one percent.

Country music singer Willie Nelson is having his share of trouble with the Internal Revenue Service. Nelson's golf course and recording studio near Austin, Texas, were padlocked Monday after the I-R-S seized his properties in six states to satisfy six-point-five Million dollars in back taxes.

Hollywood is mourning the death of one of its own. Actress Eve Arden died Monday of heart failure at the age of 82. Arden was perhaps most noted for her role as the wisecracking English school teacher of television's ''Our Miss Brooks.'' Her personal manager says the actress had been in declining health for the past year.

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#90317u0088 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 13) UPI - Police in the nominally independent tribal territory of Bophuthatswana have accused the African National Congress of plotting to assassinate the territory's president, Lucas Mangope, and detained 32 ANC members and supporters.

The actions coincided with a mass ANC-backed work stayaway and consumer boycott by blacks in the nation's capital of Pretoria to protest alleged political intolerance in nearby Bophuthatswana and a cutoff of electricity to strife-torn black townships of the city.

Bophuthatswana Police Commissioner Maj. Gen. P.J. Seleke said Monday police detained 32 ANC members and supporters in the territory northwest of Pretoria ''following the unearthing of evidence of a plot to assassinate'' Mangope. He said more detentions were imminent.

Mangope said in a statement, ''In the interests of all ... the government of Bophuthatswana regrettably has no alternative but to take steps to neutralize this despicable and unconstitutional threat.''

An ANC official in Johannesburg immediately denied the allegation, calling it ''ridiculous and outrageous.''

''They have never tolerated any opposition and are looking for an excuse to kick us out,'' the spokesman said.

The ANC has long accused Mangope of being a puppet of the white minority government. Mangope is the only leader of the four apartheid- created ''independent'' territories - recognized as sovereign only by South Africa - who has refused to accept the ANC's counsel in affairs of state.

ANC Deputy President Nelson Mandela said Bophuthatswana is ''not a major ally of our struggle.''

The ANC also said South African police had detained up to five organizers of the Pretoria stayaway over the weekend, but police would not comment on the allegation.

The protest action, by tens of thousands of people, left the city's streets almost devoid of black shoppers, and businesses drafted white staff into jobs held by blacks.

''The response to the stayaway is almost 100 percent,'' said a stayaway organizer, Ronnie Momoepa.

A poll by the daily Pretoria News had businessmen and transport officials putting the stayaway figure in the ''tens of thousands.'' ''This is as good as a blanket demonstration ... there aren't blacks anywhere in town,'' store owner Harold van Rensburg said.

The ANC-affiliated United Democratic Front and Congress of South African Trade Unions organized the action last week to highlight ANC allegations of civil rights abuses and political intolerance of opposition in Bophuthatswana and to demand the territory's reincorporation into South Africa.

The stayaway was also called to protest against the cutoff of electricity to Pretoria's Atteridgeville, Zithobeni, and Bronkhorstspruit townships by authorities reacting to politically motivated non-payment of service dues.

Rioting sparked by the cutoffs left two people dead and 25 injured by late Saturday before Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok imposed emergency regulations giving police sweeping powers and a 9 p.m.-to-4 a.m. curfew on Atteridgeville and neighboring Saulsville.

Police said factional fighting Monday between two groups with guns and machetes killed five people in the black township of Katlehong east of Johannesburg, police said.

An unknown number of Zulus and Xhosas clashed in Katlehong's Zonkwezizwe squatter camp, Police Capt. Ida van Zweel said, noting two people were fatally shot and three hacked to death.

''This unrest started when one of the sides demanded the other take part in a rent boycott,'' van Zweel said. She said police reached the scene only after the battle ended but were patrolling the ''tense'' area in force.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL SCORING SUMMARY:

Washington	0	7	0	7-14
Philadelphia	7	0	21	0-28

FIRST QUARTER

Phil-Frizzell 30 interception return (Ruzek kick), 11:28

SECOND QUARTER

Wash-Warren 8 pass from Rutledge (Lohmiller kick), 0:05

THIRD QUARTER

Phil-Sherman 9 pass from Byars (Ruzek kick), 11:09

Phil-Simmons 18 fumble return (Ruzek kick), 12:19

Phil-Sherman 2 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick), 14:59

FOURTH QUARTER

Wash-Mitchell 1 run (Lohmiller kick), 14:16

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	Wash	Phil
First downs	13	16

Rushes-yards	21--50	41--165
Passing yards	150	97
Sacked-yards lost	3--17	4--44
3rd down eff.	1--18--8.0	7--16--44.0
4th down eff.	0--2--00.0	1--2--50.0
Passes	15--36--2	12--22--1
Punts	7--37.6	6--39.7
Punt returns-yds	4--42	4--32
KO returns-yds	5--91	1--15
Fumbles-lost	1--1	1--0
Penalties-yards	3--22	11--88
Time of possessin	24:10	35:50

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-Washington-Byner 11-29, Mitchell 2-11, Riggs 6-11, Humphries 1-0, Rutledge 1-minus 1. Philadelphia-Sherman 35-124, Cunningham 5-42, McMahon 1-minus 1.

PASSING-Washington-Rutledge 6-19-1-62, Humphries 6-11-1-65, Mitchell 3-6-0-40. Philadelphia-Cunningham 11-20-1-132, Byars 1-1-0-9, Feagles 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING-Washington-Sanders 5-64, Clark 5-46, Byner 2-25, Johnson 1-18, Warren 1-8, Monk 1-6. Philadelphia-Kth.Jackson 4-60, Sherman 4-23, Barnett 2-34, Byars 2-24.

SACKS-Washington-Coleman 1-15, Geathers 1-11, Marshall 1-10, Caldwell 1-8. Philadelphia-Hopkins 1-8, White 1-6, Simmons 1-3.

INTERCEPTIONS-Washington-Mayhew 1-0. Philadelphia-White 1-33, Frizzell 1-30.

Missed field goals: None.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Washington at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Golden State, 8 p.m.
Boston at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Houston, 8:30 p.m.

Chicago at Utah, 9:30 p.m.
New York at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Phoenix at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Denver at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

BOXING

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Landover, Md. - Julian Solis vs. Calvin Grove

HOCKEY

NY Rangers at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Montreal at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.
Quebec at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Frankfurt, Germany - $2 million ATP final
New York - $3 million Virginia Slims Championships

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(NOV. 13) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	13	6	1	27	82	51
Philadelphia	11	8	0	22	71	65
Washington	10	9	0	20	61	60
New Jersey	9	8	1	19	65	60
Pittsburgh	8	7	2	18	75	65
NY Islanders	7	10	0	14	51	68

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	10	5	3	23	56	58
Montreal	10	7	2	22	61	57
Buffalo	7	6	4	18	58	50
Hartford	5	9	3	13	41	56
Quebec	3	13	3	9	49	78

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	12	6	2	26	66	45
St. Louis	12	4	1	25	62	43
Detroit	7	8	3	17	63	74
Minnesota	4	10	4	12	47	65
Toronto	3	16	1	7	54	96
SMYTHE DIVISION						
Los Angeles	12	4	1	25	78	51
Calgary	12	7	1	25	86	62
Vancouver	9	9	0	18	54	61
Winnipeg	7	10	2	16	60	63
Edmonton	2	11	2	6	39	51

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(NOV. 13) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Detroit - Purchased contracts of pitchers Rusty Meacham and Dave Haas from London of Eastern League (AA) and pitchers Kevin Ritz and Eric Stone from Toledo of International League (AAA).

New York (AL) - Named Tony Bartirome traveling secretary.

BASKETBALL

Dallas - Placed forward Roy Tarpley on injured reserve; signed guard Kevin Upshaw.

Washington - Signed guard Ledell Eackles to a 2-year contract and placed him on suspended list.

COLLEGE

Arizona State - Named Ronni Reis women's assistant tennis coach.

Mercy (N.Y.) - Named Joyce Lenoir women's assistant basketball coach.

FOOTBALL

Edmonton (CFL) - Activated defensive back Trent Brown from reserve list; released Brown and added him to practice roster.

New England - Released offensive lineman David Douglas.

Ottawa (CFL) - Released defensive end Bobby Curtis, defensive back Jerry Dunlap, linebackers Frank Balkovec and Gordon Weber, defensive tackle Mike Philbrick, offensive tackle Michel Lamy and offensive guard Alan Neufeld.

Saskatchewan (CFL) - Released defensive lineman John Bankhead, wide receivers Tony Belser and Greg Harris, defensive back Terry Blackman, cornerback Sean Dykes, linebackers James King and Kelly Trithart, running back Tim McCray, offensive guard Chris Giokos, offensive tackles Sinisa Stefanovic and Brent Pollock, defensive tackle Glen Scrivener and slotback Slater Zaleski from practice roster.

Toronto (CFL) - Placed linebacker Chris Gaines on injured list.

HOCKEY

Boston - Defenseman Gord Kluzak retired.

Detroit - Recalled center John Chabot, right wing Tom Bissett and defenseman Yves Racine from Adirondack of American Hockey League.

Minnesota - Recalled goalie Brian Hayward from Kalamazoo of the International Hockey League.

NY Rangers - Sent right wing Steven Rice to Binghamton of the American Hockey League for two weeks' conditioning.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - An unofficial envoy from New Zealand has returned from Iraq after securing the release of all his country's hostages. Former Labor Prime Minister David Lange says he negotiated the immediate release of all 16 New Zealand hostages being held in Iraq and Kuwait. And he says United States' criticism of his private visit to Baghdad probably helped him succeed in his mission.

Israel says it's ready to receive a U-N envoy but NOT under the auspices of a U-N Security Council resolution condeming the Jewish State for the bloody Temple Mount riots. Under the compromise offer, Israel reportedly would cooperate with U-N envoy Jean Claude Aimee as he investigates the situation of the Palestinians in the territories. But the accord calls for NO links to be made between Aimee's visit and the U-N resolution on the Temple Mount riots.

A magazine survey says many women think there should be limits on some first amendment rights. According to the Glamour magazine poll of 17-hundred women, 43 percent said that certain forms of expression- especially pornography and racist or anti-gay attacks- should NOT be protected by the First Amendment. The survey also shows 35 percent believe that violent or sexually explicit

song lyrics or scenes on television should NOT have First Amendment protection.

Cable News Network says it'll stop airing sensitive tapes of telephone conversations between deposed Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega and his attorneys, pending a Supreme Court ruling on the matter. The agreement was hammered out during an emergency hearing in the chambers of U-S District Judge William Hoeveler in Miami. C-N-N had defied a temporary injunction prohibiting it from airing any of the tapes. Noriega is in federal prison awaiting trial on drug- trafficking charges.

Police in Jersey City, New Jersey, say a 12-year-old boy is safely back home after being abducted from a park by a homeless man who attempted to rape him in a remote, wooded area of the park. Police say officers interrupted the attack just after the boy had begun to remove his clothes. The youth was shaken, but unharmed. A police official says officers ''were in the right place at the right time.''

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ASPEN, CO (NOV. 13) UPI - Four Southern Californians were killed Monday when their single-engine plane crashed into a hillside while taking off from the Aspen airport.

The Pitkin County Sheriff's Department said the Cessna 210 crashed across from the airport tower shortly after taking off about noon under clear skies. There was no fire.

The dead were identified as Lawrence C. Barrett, 43, his wife, Karolyn, 45, both of Huntington Beach, and Russell G. Lind, 52, of Newport Beach. A Santa Ana man was the fourth victim, but authorities witheld his name until his relatives could be notified.

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GUATEMALA CITY (NOV. 13) UPI - Former military government official Jorge Serrano Elias was set for a runoff against favorite Jorge Carpio Nicolle, having garnered nearly a quarter of the votes for president.

With nearly 70 percent of the votes counted Monday, Carpio, of the National Center Union, led with 276,253 votes, or 25.4 percent. Serrano, of the Solidarity Action Movement Party who had taken the lead in early returns, was second with 267,722 votes, or 24.6 percent.

If no candidate wins a clear majority of the votes, the top two contenders face each other in a second round ballot Jan. 6, and the new president begins a five-year term Jan. 14.

Alvaro Arzu of the center-right National Party of Advancement trailed with 202,641 votes, or 18.6 percent, and Alfonso Cabrera Hidalgo of the ruling Christian Democratic Party was fourth with 177,338 votes, or 16.3 percent.

About 43 percent of the country's 3.2 million registered voters abstained.

Serrano, a 45-year-old evangelical protestant who has actively promoted peace talks with guerrilla forces operating in Guatemala, surged in 11th-hour campaigning, apparently picking up votes from supporters of former military ruler Efrain Rios Montt, whose candidacy was rejected less than a month before the election.

Serrano was a top government official under Rios Montt, who took power in a military coup in March, 1982 and was ousted by the army in Aug., 1983.

''We are not surprised by the results because our strategy was to make our campaign short and very intensive,'' Serrano told a group of reporters at his campaign headquarters.

Serrano, who in 1985 finished third behind President Vinicio Cerezo and Carpio was considered a long-shot two months ago, and National Center Union legislator Edmond Mulet said he had seriously considered running for vice-president with Carpio earlier this year.

Serrano's running mate, Gustavo Espinosa, said Serrano was a man ''with no vengeance, who has no problems with other people.''

None of the candidates would comment on possible alliances for the runoff election, although observers said Carpio's attacks on the third- and fourth-placed candidates in the run-up to Sunday's election could limit his leverage for negotiations.

''We are open to negotiations and we hope to speak with all groups,'' Carpio said at a news conference. ''This will be a peaceful campaign.''

In a concession speech lined with indirect references to Carpio, Arzu said his party had fallen victim to ''a black campaign, a dirty campaign.''

Cerezo, who took office in 1986 as the country's first civilian president in 16 years, conceded defeat for the Christian Democrats, whose candidate fell ill with an inflamed pancreas weeks before the election and is receiving treatment in Houston, Texas.

''The democratic process has been reaffirmed. We are now living in a regime of political parties,'' Cerezo told reporters.

Cerezo said the Christian Democrats were especially hurt by urban voters who

have grappled with rising prices during the election year. Inflation in the capital rose 42 percent from January to October, compared to 10.5 percent in 1989.

Electoral authorities said the votes for congressional deputies and mayors in 90 percent of Guatemala's 330 townships reflected trends in the presidential vote, but that official results were incomplete.

Early Monday, unidentified assailants shot dead the Christian Democratic mayor of an eastern Guatemalan town. Manuel Jordan Triguero, 40, was gunned down in Comotan, about 125 miles east of the capital, according to Treasury Police spokesman Conrado Monroy.

It was the only reported incident of violence during the election, capping a campaign tarnished by the killings of dozens of political party activists and several elected officials in the weeks leading up to the balloting.

An estimated 100,000 people have been killed and another 40,000 kidnapped in nearly 30 years of political violence in the Central American nation, and both Carpio and Serrano have pledged to work for peace with country's guerrillas.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 13) UPI - The combination of the Philadelphia Eagles' most impressive defensive effort of the season and Heath Sherman's most productive game as a professional overwhelmed the Washington Redskins Monday night.

Philadelphia's defense forced three turnovers that resulted in touchdowns and Sherman ran for a career-high 124 yards Monday night to give the Eagles a 28-14 victory over Washington, their third straight victory.

''It feels real good,'' Eagles defensive tackle Jerome Brown said. ''It feels like old times. Turning the ball over and giving it to the offense. It reminds me of the old Eagles. I knew it was just a matter of time until we started to take advantage of opportunities.''

Sherman scored on a 9-yard pass from running back Keith Byars and on a 2-yard pass from Randall Cunningham. He became the first Philadelphia runner to gain more than 100 yards in two straight games since Wilbert Montgomery did it three consecutive times in 1981.

Sherman, a two-year pro, ran for 113 yards against New England last week.

''It means a lot that I got 100 yards and that we won too,'' Sherman said. ''It wouldn't be fun if we didn't win. You feel tired while you're doing it but you feel good afterwards.''

The Eagles, 5-4, also scored on a 30-yard interception return by William Frizzell and an 18-yard fumble return by Clyde Simmons. The first interception of Reggie White's career also set up Sherman's second touchdown.

The Eagles' defense, which forced 56 turnovers last year, managed only 14 in the first eight games of this season. In a 13-7 loss to Washington earlier this year, the Eagles failed to produce a turnover or a quarterback sack.

''The defense played one of its best games since I've been here,'' Philadelphia Coach Buddy Ryan said. ''The entire defense played well.''

Washington, 5-4, scored on a 8-yard pass from Jeff Rutledge to Don Warren and a 1-yard run by emergency quarterback Brian Mitchell.

Both Rutledge (sprained thumb) and his backup, Stan Humphries (sprained knee), were injured and knocked out of the game. The Redskins were forced to use the rookie Mitchell, who directed a 56-yard drive late in the game thatproduced the Redskins' second touchdown.

''It was a tough day for us,'' Washington Coach Joe Gibbs said. ''I have to give them credit but what I worry about most is that we got a lot of guys hurt. It's going to take a lot of people to regroup and bounce back. We've had tough luck with our quarterbacks. It's hard to explain.''

The Eagles broke the game open with three touchdowns in the last 3:51 of the third quarter, two of them coming after turnovers.

''We went out with a different attitude,'' White said. ''We were going to be more intense. Of course, it's easy to be intense on Monday Night Football against the Redskins. But we've got to continue this.''

Byars took a pitch from Cunningham and tossed a 9-yard scoring strike to Sherman to give the Eagles a 14-7 lead with 3:51 to play in the third quarter, capping a seven-play, 33-yard drive.

Washington's Ralf Mojsiejenko managed only a 37-yard punt from his own 7 and Anthony Edwards returned the ball 11 yards to give the Eagles possession at the Washington 33.

Cunningham hit Sherman for six yards on a fourth-and-4 play, then scrambled for 12 yards and a first-and-goal from the 9. The Eagles scored on the next play.

Three plays later, Philadelphia went ahead 21-7 when Wes Hopkins sacked Rutledge, forcing a fumble that was recovered by Simmons and returned for a touchdown with 2:41 to play in the third.

''We had opportunities to make plays in the first half and didn't get it done

'' Rutledge said. ''Then they just came after us.''

Hopkins said: ''He didn't see me. If you hit a quarterback on the blind side, the chances are he's going to cough it up.''

Humphries replaced Rutlege on Washington's next possession and moved the Redskins to midfield before disaster struck.

Byron Evans tipped Humphries' pass and the ball was intercepted by White, who returned it 33 yards to the Washington 9.

Three plays later, Cunningham hit Sherman from 2 yards out to give the Eagles a 28-7 lead.

''I can catch the ball too,'' Sherman said.

Rutledge threw to Warren for an 8-yard touchdown five seconds into the second quarter to tie the score 7-7, two plays after a botched punt by the Eagles.

Washington's Sidney Johnson got in the backfield quickly against Philadelphia punter Jeff Feagles, who tried to run, then threw a desperation pass. Feagles was penalized for intentional grounding and the Redskins took over at the Philadelphia 12.

A Washington mistake enabled the Eagles to take a 7-0 lead with 3:32 left in the first quarter.

On a third-and-1 play, Mike Golic hit Rutledge as he threw and Frizzell darted in front of Ricky Sanders to pick off the ball and race 30 yards into the end zone untouched.

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TOKYO (NOV. 13) UPI - U.S. Vice President Dan Quayle and Singapore Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew, citing the need for continued U.S. military presence in South East Asia, signed an agreement Tuesday giving the U.S. Navy and Air Force greater access to facilities in Singapore.

The agreement, which grew out of a discussion on how to deal with a possible withdrawal of U.S. forces from the Philippines, will permit the U.S. Air Force to send aircraft to Singapore several times a year on training missions and will increase the duration and number of U.S. Navy ships allowed to visit Singapore.

The two leaders also agreed to increase the number of U.S. Air Force and Navy personnel assigned to Singapore on a year-round basis to about 95 from about 22 at present.

''This will facilitate, along with our other arrangements in the area, a continued robust American presence in the Pacific,'' Quayle said in a brief signing ceremony at a Tokyo hotel where Quayle was staying for the enthronement of Japan's Emperor Akihito.

''This presence reflects our determination that America will continue to play an active role in fostering the stability and economic development of Asia,'' Quayle said.

U.S. officials have been seeking a range of options to broaden military access in the western Pacific in case negotiations with the Philippines on the future of U.S. military bases results in a complete or partial U.S. withdrawal.

''This complements rather than replaces what is in the Philippines,'' said a senior U.S. administration official traveling with Quayle.

The official pointed out the small size of the planned U.S. presence in Singapore could not replace the large U.S. bases in the Philippines.

To dramatize the point, he said the size of the original U.S. Clark Air Base in the Philippines alone is larger than the country of Singapore.

Nevertheless, Lee said the agreement grew out of a discussion he had with U.S. Sen. Richard Lugar of Indiana two years ago on how to deal with the possibility of the Philippines asking the United States give up its Subic Bay Naval Base and Clark Air Field.

Lee said he told Lugar he wanted America to ''steer the course, stay out here and do what the United States has done since 1945.''

Lee said he offered to share the ''political burden'' of allowing a greater U.S. military presence in Singapore if it would help the United States remain strong in Asia.

Lee's offer to host more U.S. military personnel sparked outcries among Singapore's neighbors, particularly Malaysia and Indonesia.

But Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad of Malaysia and President Suharto of Indonesia have said recently they do not object to the U.S. using facilities in Singapore as long as no permanent base is established.

The agreement will permit the U.S. Air Force to send training missions of several weeks duration to Singapore several times each year.

U.S. Navy ships will use Singapore's port for repairs, said a U.S. official, but he added it would not be on a scale large enough to replace the repair facilities at Subic Bay.

The increased use of Singapore facilities is expected to start within the next three to six months.

In his brief remarks, Quayle extensively praised Lee, who will step down from office this month after more than 30 years as prime minister of Singapore.

''It is a distinct honor for me to be here with one of the most respected wise men of Asia and indeed of the world, Prime Minister Lee Kwan Yew,'' Quayle said.

''Prime Minister Lee is not only a friend to the United States but a supremely insightful counselor to generations,'' Quayle said.

Lee is known not only for his successful economic development of Singapore but also his iron-fisted control and repression of dissent.

U.S. relations with Singapore hit a low point in 1988 when Singapore ousted American diplomat E. Mason Hendrickson for allegedly whipping up anti-government sentiment.

The U.S. State Department denied any wrongdoing and expelled Hendrickson's counterpart in Washington.

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TOKYO (NOV. 13) UPI - United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar told Japanese leaders Tuesday Iraq's adamant attitude has left little room for him to mediate a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis, government officials said.

The veteran Peruvian diplomat made the remark in separate meetings with Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu and Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama, who met with foreign guests invited to attend the enthronement of Japan's Emperor Akihito Monday.

''Iraq still shows a stiff attitude and there is little room now to mediate for a peaceful settlement (of the crisis),'' Perez de Cuellar was quoted as telling Kaifu.

He said he has been doing all he can and will continue to do so, the officials said. He added Iraq has refused to receive a special U.N. envoy ordered to Baghdad.

In his meeting with Nakayama, the U.N. chief hailed Japan's financial contributions to countries suffering economic difficulties caused by the crisis, the officials said.

Japan has pledged $2 billion in emergency aid to those countries, including frontline states in the Middle East.

Nakayama in meeting with representatives of six Gulf nations Monday said Japan firmly adheres to its policy of seeking the unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait, restoration of the legitimate government of Kuwait and the release of hostages held in Iraq, the officials said.

The six countries consisted of Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Oman, the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain, which form the Gulf Coast Conference.

Nakayama said Japan regards the GCC not only as its economic partners but as a force for regional stability, they said.

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BEIJING (NOV. 13) UPI - China has retreated from optimistic forecasts that its oil production would rise to a record level this year, indicating its oil industry may have to struggle even to make output match last year's total.

The state-run newspaper China Daily, quoting government statistics, reported Tuesday that total output for the first 10 months of 1990 rose just 0.6 percent from the same period last year, to 114.66 million tons.

Just two weeks ago, the government's Xinhua news agency quoted Chinese oil industry officials as saying crude output had steadily increased since 1982 and would surpass 138 million tons this year, a record, over last year's total output of 137.6 million tons.

But production capacity has in fact largely stagnated in the last few years. Western industry analysts say China remains unable to take substantial advantage of the jump in world oil prices caused by the Gulf crisis to boost its production and exports.

The China Daily indicated the industry had some doubts about even producing as much as last year.

''Experts said the oil industry now stands a very good chance of meeting the year's target of 137 million tons,'' the newspaper reported.

The newspaper said crude oil output actually declined 1.3 percent in October to 11.8 million tons, which it said was a record low on a month- to-month accounting period.

It said the dip was ''mainly due to heavy floods in major oil fields.''

Although China imports refined and partially refined petroleum products, it remains Asia's largest oil producer and a net exporter.

Exports are likely to show a small increase this year. China exported a total of 2.8 million tons of crude from January to September, higher than the 2.5 million tons exported all last year.

A senior Chinese trade official quoted by the state press last month said the country would only manage a ''modest rise in exports despite soaring prices because of the Gulf crisis,'' noting exports were ''largely restricted by increasing domestic demand.''

But state regulations keep domestic oil prices artificially low. Offshore exploration has failed to meet expectations and onshore production is hobbled both by the pricing system and by bureaucratic and cost problems facing foreign oil companies working in China.

The government has said it plans to invest more than $21 billion during its next five-year economic plan, beginning in 1991, in efforts to find new oil reserves.

China's most promising oil development base is the Tarim Basin project in the northwest province of Xinjiang. Government studies have estimated potential reserves at 12 billion tons of oil and natural gas.

Although Tarim has been so far closed to foreign firms, Premier Li Peng recently hinted that foreign oil companies may in some way be allowed to participate in the future.

The China Daily report Tuesday also said the country's coal production has slowed because of lower demand and that it would drop further in the last two months of the year because of swollen inventories.

Nationwide coal production in the first ten months of 1990 totaled 862.07 million tons, up 3.2 percent over the same period last year. The rate of increase in the first six months of the year was 6.1 percent, the report said.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 13) UPI - A man who used to train sea mammals to perform military operations for the Navy says the animals cannot be trusted in combat and the program puts U.S. servicemen and national security in danger.

David Reames, a civilian who trained sea mammals at the Naval Oceans Systems Center in San Diego in 1986-87, said Monday that sea lions and dolphins are intelligent, but cannot be counted on during combat.

"It would be just as ridiculous if the Army trained chimpanzees to shoot AR-15s," Reames said at a Veterans Day protest by Friends of Animals. "It's not just an animal issue - it's a human rights issue. The liberals can talk about the animals' rights. I'm concerned about human beings."

Reames, who trains sea lions at the Los Angeles Zoo, said that while working at the naval center he learned of several instances in which animals dropped or bumped into "potentially dangerous classified objects" or disappeared. He said the animals' natural instincts to resist captivity make them impossible to control.

Tom LaPuzza, spokesman for the center, said the Navy has complete faith in the reliability of its classified marine mammal program. In 30 years, he said, "only six dolphins have gone AWOL, five of them during storms when they lost contact with the trainer."

Dolphins were used in the Persian Gulf during U.S. tanker-escort operations in 1987. The Navy refuses to say exactly what the animals do in such operations, but animal rights activists have said they are fitted with bombs on their snouts.

Reames first made his opinion public last week in Chicago at a meeting of the International Marine Animal Trainers Association, saying he was concerned that the threat of war in the Persian Gulf means dolphins could be deployed again. "I don't want to see any animals I trained causing the deaths of American servicemen," he said.

"David Reames trained sea lions," said LaPuzza. He did not train dolphins, but he says he knows how the dolphin system works. I don't think he does."

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BEIJING (NOV. 13) UPI - A senior Chinese leader abruptly postponed a scheduled visit to Britain Tuesday less than a week after the trip was announced, with a government spokesman saying he was ill but Western diplomats citing possible political problems.

Wan Li, the chairman of the National People's Congress, China's rubber-stamp parliament, was scheduled to visit Britain from Nov. 17-24 at the invitation of leaders of the British parliament.

But the Chinese Foreign Ministry and the NPC said the visit had been postponed indefinitely because Wan, 74, also a member of the Chinese Communist Party's ruling Politburo, was ailing.

''Wan Li's health is not very good and according to his physicians, he needs a period of rest,'' said Zhou Chengkui, a spokesman for the National People's

Congress office.

''When he will visit will be decided through more consultations between China and Britain,'' Zhou said.

The trip was announced formally just last Thursday. A Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman hailed the visit at the time as ''an important event'' in efforts to heal relations damaged by China's June 1989 crackdown on the pro-democracy movement.

Wan's trip, however, was in his capacity as a parliamentarian and was being played down by Britain as a parliamentary exchange. But Western diplomats in Beijing said the Chinese had attempted to turn the visit into a more official event.

The postponement caught even the NPC office by surprise. Earlier in the day, Zhou told reporters the trip was going ahead.

British Embassy officials said they had no further information than being advised of Wan's ill health. Wan had canceled out of a dinner Friday night with British Ambassador to China Sir Alan Donald, also because he was not feeling well.

The officials said they were unaware Wan was shown last weekend on state television at a meeting, looking hearty.

London has maintained economic and military sanctions against Beijing since the crackdown, although the European Community last month agreed to drop most economic measures.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was slated to have met with Wan, but only as a parliamentarian. The Chinese, however, had tried to increase the significance of the visit as well as sharply boost the size of Wan's delegation, diplomats said.

''The Chinese were trying to make this as official and high profile as possible,'' a Western diplomat said.

Diplomats also cited the possibility that domestic politics had intruded. Wan is one of the few prominent moderates in the Chinese leadership and one of his allies, Politburo Standing Committee member Li Ruihuan, has been in political trouble recently.

The leadership is currently locked in a squabble over the economy before a scheduled economic planning conference and a major Communist Party meeting. The meeting, a plenum of the party Central Committee, has been put off until the disputes are resolved.

The diplomats did not rule out, however, that Wan may in fact be ailing.

''He's an old man, and it's November in London,'' one diplomat said. ''Maybe they just want to wait until the weather is better.''

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(NOV. 13) UPI - Winter weather swept off the Great Lakes into upstate New York Tuesday, bringing freezing temperatures and snow, while flooding continued in the Northwest and the eastern Rockies basked in warm weather.

An early season snowfall set a record in Newark, N.J., Tuesday, where flurries occurred on the date for the first time since 1984.

A lake snow advisory was posted for western New York state as a cold northwest wind carried between 2 and 4 inches of snow to the region.

A gale warning was in effect for Narragansett Bay in Rhode Island while weather cleared over much of northern New England, but remained frigid after winter storms Monday.

Flood warnings remained in effect for the Snoqualmie and Skagit rivers in Washington state as a frontal system moved in on the area from the eastern Pacific. Residents braced for the storm to push already swollen rivers further over their banks.

Near record high temperatures were predicted for Boise, Idaho, as warm weather with highs in the 60s stretched into western Montana, but cold temperatures were expected to return by the middle of the week.

In the South, a small craft advisory was in effect for Key Largo, Fla., with high winds and rough seas, while patchy fog covered the coastal bend of southeastern Texas.

Southern California enjoyed clear skies and lows in the upper 50s.

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SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (NOV. 13) UPI - The Seoul government will provide $170 million this year for the multinational efforts against Iraq, to be followed by another $50 million next year, a published report said Tuesday.

The nationally circulated daily Dong-A Ilbo said a team of officials has been working on details of the support plan based on a government decision in September to contribute $220 million to help solve the Gulf crisis.

Of the total set for this year, the paper said, $100 million will be in support of military efforts and $70 million will be in economic assistance to five nations suffering from the crisis including Egypt, Turkey, Jordan, Syria and Bangladesh.

It said a government task force toured most of the five nations late last month and early this month and discussed with officials of the host governments on how to provide the aid.

As a result it has been decided that part of the assistance will be grants-in-aid and the rest ''tied loans'' allowing recipient nations to purchase Korean products on credit, the paper said.

Under the plan the government hopes to supply buses, trucks and other transportation equipment, medicines, and rice worth $10 million and other daily necessities, it said.

Terms of the proposed loans vary according to recipients but in general the loans will be repayable over 20 years after a five-year grace period, carrying an average annual interest of 3.5 percent, the report said.

While offering the economic aid, the government plans to push formal diplomatic ties with Egypt and Syria, it added.

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#90317u0300 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 13) UPI - A mini-bus plunged off a bridge in the central Orange Free State province early Tuesday, killing 19 people, state-run radio reported.

The accident occurred about 200 miles southwest of Johannesburg near the town of Theunissen about 3 a.m., the radio said.

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HONG KONG (NOV. 13) UPI - An immigration official said Tuesday that 111 boat people would be freed on bail, 24 hours after authorities defied a judge's order releasing them from 18 months of what he ruled was illegal detention.

Director of Immigration Lawrence Leung said he would immediately release the Vietnamese on their own recognizance and that the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees would temporarily house them at a refugee camp.

Justice Raymond Sears granted the refugees a writ of habeas corpus Monday and condemned the government for confining them for 18 months in what he said was a violation of the International Covenant on Political and Civil Rights.

Sears ruled the boat people had made it known in May 1989 that they intended to sail on to Japan after accepting a government offer to repair and resupply their boat after it was halted by marine police in Hong Kong waters. He said the government reneged, destroyed their craft and illegally imprisoned the refugees.

But hours after his ruling freed them, authorities re-arrested the Vietnamese and transfered them to a Hong Kong prison as illegal immigrants.

Despite the bail, Hong Kong officials said the government still considered the 111 to be illegal immigrants and reserved the right to deport them pending the outcome of an appeal.

''If the court ruling is not overturned,'' a government spokesman said, ''Then at some stage action may be taken to remove all 111 from Hong Kong.''

Sears sharply criticized the government, claiming the re-arrests were a direct challenge to the authority of the court. He then granted the group permission to file a fresh writ against the government for unlawful detenion.

The Vietnamese were detained May 1, 1989, after sailing into the colony's waters on their way to Japan where under a policy since changed, they would have been granted automatic refugee status and resettled, unlike in Hong Kong.

About 54,000 boat people live in Hong Kong's squalid detention centers - most of whom have little chance of being resettled and face continued life in the camps or a one-way ticket to Hanoi.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - awaiting trial for murder in the shooting death of her lover. Brando said his daughter is expected to live, but he added ''we doN'T know if there's been brain damage or not.''

There's good news and bad news for turkey lovers. Government analysts say there will be plenty of turkey to put on dinner plates this holiday season, but the price will be a bit higher.

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#90317u0470 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 13) UPI - Super typhoon Mike pounded the central Philippine islands today, killing at least eight people. Officials say at least eight vessels were damaged or sunk by the storm and more than 240-thousand residents were forced to evacuate. Communication lines to severely affected areas were knocked down and the extent of damage was NOT immediately known. It's feared

the death toll will rise.

United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar says there's little he can do to settle the Persian Gulf crisis because of Iraq's attitude. In meetings with Japan's prime minister and foreign minister, Perez de Cuellar said he has been doing all he can and will continue to do so. But he pointed out that Iraq has refused to receive a special U-N envoy ordered to Baghdad. .

A private visit to Iraq by New Zealand's former Labor Prime Minister apparently was successful. David Lange returned home and said he has negotiated the immediate release of all 16 New Zealand hostages being held in Iraq and Kuwait. Lange said New Zealand will join France as the only nations to win the release of all of their hostages.

Financial experts have a new stock market to track. The Soviet Union yesterday opened its first stock exchange since the Russian Revolution. The Moscow exchange was founded by 187 Soviet enterprises and banks. Officials say eventually, as many as 25 percent of the shares will be held by major joint-stock companies and banks in the country.

China's state-run newspaper says officials in Beijing have backed off from their optimistic forecasts that the nation's oil production would rise to a record level this year. The paper quotes government figures showing that total output for the first 10 months of 1990 rose just six-tenths of one-percent from the same period last year. The China Daily indicated that the oil industry had some doubts about producing even as much oil as last year.

Striking New York Daily News reporters and editors yesterday began handing out their own peper. One Million copies of the free eight-page publication were printed and distributed on street corners and in restaurants and bars. The stories were written by reporters who struck the News October 26th, one day after seven other unions went out on strike.

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#90317u0541 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 13) UPI - Officials in the Philippines say Typhoon Mike has killed at least 14 people and the death toll could go higher. The storm with sustained winds of 150 miles an hour roared into the central Philippine islands, forcing at least 240-thousand people to evacuate. At least 25 vessels were sunk or damaged. The typhoon spared the populous metropolitan Manila and U-S military bases north of the capital.

Boris Yeltsin says he has asked Soviet President Gorbachev to join him in forming what he called a ''coalition government of national unity'' to solve the country's problems. Yeltsin said Gorbachev ''in principle supported the idea'' of a coalition government.

Vice President Quayle is having a bysy day in Tokyo, Quayle and Singapore's prime minister signed an agreement increasing the U-S military presence in Singapore. Quayle also met with Philippine President Aquino and Indonsian President Suharto.

The launch of a Titan 4 from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station lit up the sky last night as it carried a spy satellite into space. The satellite was later put into orbit. .

At the nearby Kennedy Space Center, the shuttle Atlantis and its five-man all-military crew are scheduled to blast off Thursday night to ferry a second Pentagon spy satellite into orbit.

Two security guards, one a retired police officer, were fatally shot in an alleyway behind a mall in Queens, New York, last night. Police say the two security guards were attacked at the back of the mall.

A source in Greece has told the Iranian news agency that Greece will expel three Iraqi and one Libyan diplomat by the end of this week. An Arab diplomatic source said a number of Arabs from Iraq, Libya, Syria, Lebanon and Palestine would also be expelled from Greece.

A newspaper in Seoul says South Korea will provide 170 Million dollars by the end of the year for the multi-national efforts against the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Another 50 Million reportedly will be given by South Korea next year.

A crippling transportation strike entered its second week in Pakistan today. Bus drivers in Punjab began the work stoppage November 6th, and it gradually spread to other areas. Drivers are protesting a law that requires them to pay families of fatal highway accident victims.

Ahmed Jibril, the chief of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, says Syria has refused a U-S request to expel his group from Damascus. Western reports have suggested that Jibril's group had a role in the bombing of a Pan Am jet over Lockerbie, Scotland.

Former Chicago Mayor Jane Byrne is going to try to get her old job back. Byrne has announced that she'll run against Mayor Richard Daley in February's mayoral primary. The late Harold Washington defeated Byrne in 1983.

A poll conducted by Glamour magazine says 43 percent of American women questioned believe that certain forms of expression should NOT be protected by the First Amendment. They cited as examples pornography and racist, or anti-gay attacks.

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#90317u0570 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (NOV. 13) UPI - Art works belonging to the estate of Henry Ford II and his family fetched a disappointing $48.58 million at Sotheby's North America in New York in what was seen as a sign of an uncertain art market.

It had been hoped that the 23 works sold Monday would bring $65 million. However, one-third of the works offered for sale were pulled off the auction block because nobody bid even the minimum price.

''It was disappointing,'' said David Nash, senior vice president and expert in charge of the sale.

''The works were very desirable. But the market is in a state of change, and it is very difficult to anticipate how much it will change.''

The top price of $18.15 million was paid by a Japanese collector for Renoir's ''La Tasse de Chocolat'' (The Cup of Chocolate). It was the second-highest price paid for a Renoir at auction, with the highest being $78.1 million, also at Sotheby's.

The sale was precipitated by a feud over Ford's estate between his widow, Kathleen DuRoss Ford, and his son, Edsel II.

Proceeds from the auction will be divided among Kathleen Ford, Ford's grandchildren and the U.S. government.

Nash said he believes the art market is seeking a new level. Dealers are waiting to see where the market bottoms out and may be worried about selling inventory before buying more.

''This is a good time to have cash in hand,'' Nash said.

''The Japanese were clearly substantial supporters of the sale, the Europeans less than I had hoped,'' Nash said.

''Even the bidding from Japan was more sluggish than I had expected. I do believe the Japanese economy is on a little more uncertain grounds, too, than six months ago. Clearly the threat of oil prices skyrocketing and a war is affecting people all around the world.

''That a couple of paintings were bought by Americans were nice. There are still some who are avid collectors.''

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#90317u0592 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 13) UPI - Spurred by positive external factors, the Tokyo Stock Exchange staged a major rally in post-holiday trading Tuesday, lifting the benchmark average more than 1,000 points.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which declined 38.01 points Friday, soared 1,041.87 points to close at 23,973.67.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index of all listed major shares also jumped 65.58 points to 1,773.02.

The market was closed Monday because of a national holiday in observance of Emperor Akihito's enthronement.

Trading was slow with volume estimated at 400 million shares, up from 326.84 million shares Friday.

Brokers said the market was supported by the dollar's decline against the yen, growing prospects for declining U.S. interest rates and Friday's advance on Wall Street.

''The charts said it was time to rise,'' said Masayoshi Yano, deputy general manager of the stock trading division at Nikko Securities. ''But I'm worried that the pitch is a little too steep.''

He said ''another problem is that volume is not picking up.''

Institutional buyers were buying back stock-index futures but would have little to do with the spot issues, Yano said.

Large-capital steels were generally higher. Heavy-duty electricals such as Hitachi and Toshiba advanced along with shipbuildings, constructions, securities and banks.

Natural resources-related issues such as minings and oils weakened.

Elsewhere around the region, stocks closed higher on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. The benchmark Hang Seng Index gained 49.41 points - or 1.68 percent - to close at 2998.97 following a rise of 16.64 points Monday.

''The market was up more than 1.6 percent today and turnover was a little better than we have seen in the past few days,'' David Lavington, a broker at Morgan Grenfell, said. ''The rise was across the board among the leaders. It followed Wall Street, which was up yesterday. In the short term we will just be following other markets as there is little to move the market here.''

Prices firmed on the Singapore Stock Exchange, bolstered by the rally on Wall Street and improved performances on regional markets.

The Straits Times Industrial Index rose 13.81 to 1116.70.

The major impetus was the sharp rise in Tokyo, but trading in Singapore

remained light as many institutions were sidelined. Analysts expressed doubts the upturn was sustainable.

''The rally was a technical rebound on a grossly oversold market,'' a dealer said.

In Bangkok, Share prices edged down on the Thai stock market for the second consecutive day in response to uncertainty in domestic politics and in the Gulf.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand index dropped 2.46 points to close at 659.37.

''Investors were worried that the parliamant might be dissolved,'' said a representative from Mithai Europartners Finance and Securitites Co.

He said there was also concern after the Army commander said the military would act to stop political protests at the prime minister' s office.

Foreign buying helped the Sydney Sharemarket close higher, although interest again waned in the afternoon session, brokers said.

At the close of trading, the All Ordinaries Index was up 13.2 to 1348.8. But earlier in the day the index was up more than 23 points.

Rises occurred across the boards. The All Industrials Index rose 17.9 to 2013.9 and the All Resources Index closed 9.3 higher at 831.4.

Turnover, reflecting the overseas interest, was an above average 92.6 million shares.

Brokers said that despite the positive finish, which was largely a product of an extremely strong Tokyo market, the market remained extremely nervous.

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#90317u0620 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 13) UPI - Typhoon Mike battered the central Philippines Tuesday, killing at least 14 people and forcing nearly 240, 000 to flee homes damaged or flooded by the storm's torrential rains and 150 mph winds.

Mike trapped 17 people, including six Americans, on an offshore oil drilling platform. They were reported safe, however, and a helicopter was to carry them to land after the weather cleared.

After wreaking considerable destruction in the midsection of the nation of islands, the so-called ''super typhoon'' passed into the South China Sea in

the evening, sparing populous metropolitan Manila and U.S. military bases in the northern Philippines of its fury.

The most powerful typhoon to strike the Philippines in nine years, Mike smashed into Leyte from the Pacific Ocean with sustained winds of 150 mph.

The typhoon then raked rice, coconut and sugar farms in Cebu, Negros, Panay and Palawan islands. Its winds weakened to 100 mph on its overland trek, and then the storm moved out into the South China Sea.

Relief agencies said two people were killed in Panay island, seven in Negros and five in Leyte. Most of the fatalities were either drowning victims or were hit by flying debris. At least 16 people were reported as missing.

Officials said downed communications and power networks prevented a full assessment of damage and casualties, and they feared the death toll would go up.

Reports by the agencies and local officials said 239,727 people fled damaged or flooded homes in the disaster zone.

Radio news reports said the typhoon destroyed two private radio station transmitters, destroyed 5,420 houses, a bridge leading to Cagayan de Oro city and scores of government and military buildings. It also spawned a tornado that crushed 160 houses.

Philippine Navy spokesman Cmdr. Reuben Lista said powerful winds snapped 16 vessels, including four navy ships, from their moorings in the central city of Cebu and sank them. Six vessels were run aground and two others were damaged.

Lista said there were no reports of casualties in the sinking of the vessels which had sought shelter in the Cebu harbor. Another cargo vessel, the Dona Roberta, sank off Mindanao island and its 16 crewmen were reported missing.

Philippine and U.S. officials said at least 17 people were stranded on an oil drilling platform owned by the multinational oil drilling firm Alcorn. The platform is off Palawan island, southwest of Manila.

U.S. Embassy spokesman Stanley Schrager said an Air Force helicopter would pick up the 17 as soon as the weather cleared. Among the 17 were six Americans three Australians, four Britons, one New Zealander, one Malaysian and two Filipinos. Company officials said, however, the 17 were safe.

Leyte, Panay and Negros islands appeared to have suffered the brunt of the storm. Most of the evacuees were reported in the area.

Authorities suspended classes in areas along the path of the typhoon. Philippine Airlines suspended 22 flights to central and southern Philippines

but international flights remained normal. Domestic shipping services were canceled.

News reports said Mike caused considerable damage over the weekend to Palau, a group of islands east of the Philippines.

Mike was the most powerful typhoon to hit the Philippines since Irma and her 160 mph winds struck in November 1981, killing 470 people.

An average of 20 storms strike the Philippines annually. The super typhoon follows a series of natural calamities that has plagued the nation of islands in 1990, and taken a toll on President Corazon Aquino's government.

The disasters started with a drought, monsoon floods and an earthquake in July that killed more than 1,600 people and devastated wide areas of the northern Philippines.

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#90317u0624 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 13) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	f	69	37	...
Anchorage	sn	19	13	....
Asheville	sy	61	30	....
Atlanta	sy	69	41	....
Baltimore	sy	47	29	....
Billings	sy	69	38	....
Bismarck	sy	62	36	....
Boston	w	44	29	....
Brownsville	pc	78	58	....
Buffalo	sn	35	27	....
Burlington Vt.	sn	30	21	....
Charleston S.C.	sy	70	43	....
Charlotte	sy	63	36	....
Chicago	sy	49	35	....
Cincinnati	pc	52	30	....
Cleveland	pc	41	26	....
Columbus Ohio	pc	47	28	....
Dallas	sy	79	49	....
Denver	sy	75	39	....
Des Moines	sy	60	41	....
Detroit	pc	43	28	....
Duluth	pc	36	29	....
El Paso	c	73	40	....
Evansville	sy	59	35	....
Fargo	sy	48	32	....

Hartford w	40	25	....
Honolulu sh	83	72	.45
Houston sy	77	49	....
Indianapolis sy	53	31	....
Jackson Miss. sy	76	42	....
Jacksonville f	72	47	....
Kansas City sy	75	50	....
Las Vegas sy	80	51	....
Little Rock sy	73	45	....
Los Angeles f	83	58	....
Louisville sy	59	36	....
Memphis sy	73	47	....
Miami Beach mc	80	66	....
Milwaukee pc	46	30	....
Minneapolis pc	45	33	....
Nashville sy	66	38	....
New Orleans sy	76	50	....
New York oc	45	30	....
Oklahoma City sy	78	48	....
Omaha sy	68	39	....
Orlando f	79	54	....
Philadelphia w	46	28	....
Phoenix f	87	62	....
Pittsburgh pc	40	28	....
Portland Me. w	39	23	....
Portland Ore. r	55	43	.37
Providence w	44	26	....
Richmond sy	52	29	....
St. Louis sy	66	48	....
Salt Lake City pc	63	39	....
San Antonio sy	78	50	....
San Diego f	76	58	....
San Francisco cy	68	53	....
San Juan pc	90	74	.11
Seattle r	52	43	.90
Spokane r	56	37	....
Tampa f	78	56	....
Washington sy	49	34	....
Wichita sy	75	45	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
c-partly cloudy

mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90317u0630 11/13/1990 ~United Press International
BEIRUT, LEBANON (NOV. 13) UPI - Three children who found a cluster bomb left over from the Israeli invasion of Lebanon in 1982 were killed when the device exploded as they played with it, police said Tuesday.

Police said Mohammad Ghazawi, 10; his brother Saeed, 6; and Ammar Majdoub, 11, were killed while they were returning home from school in the village of Ghazza in the Bekaa valley in eastern Lebanon late Monday.

The three kids found the bomb near the schoolyard, police said. They started playing with the device and the charge blew up, police said.

Rescue workers said the bodies were mutiliated beyond recognition and thatpieces of their organs littered the ground, police said.

During Israel's invasion of Lebanon in 1982, Israeli warplanes dropped many anti-personnel cluster bombs.

At least 40,000 Lebanese children have died since the civil war broke out in 1975.

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#90317u0643 11/13/1990 ~United Press International
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Russian Parliament be given the right to choose the Soviet government's premier, defense minister and finance minister.

Arab-Israeli violence continues. A gunman who crossed the border from Jordan killed an Israeli soldier today. He was the second soldier killed in less than a week during an infiltration attempt in the Jordan Valley. An Arab stabbed two police officers in Jerusalem's walled Old City. One of the officers was seriously wounded.

A senior Chinese leader suddenly postponed a scheduled visit to Britain today, less than one week after the trip was announced. A government spokesman said the official was ill, but Western diplomats say the postponement may mean the chairman of the National People's Congress is having political problems in China.

Authorities in South Africa today discovered the bodies of five men in a squatter camp in an eastern black township, raising the death toll in a two-day outbreak of factional fighting to 10. Radio reports say the fighting began when one of two groups refused to take part in a rent boycott.

Actor Marlin Brando says his daughter tried to hang herself in Tahiti just a few days after she took a drug overdose. Brando said that it isN'T known yet whether his daughter suffered brain damage. Prosecutors in Los Angeles have been trying to subpoena Cheyenne Brando to testify at the trial her half brother, who has admitted shooting her boyfriend May 16th.

Winter weather arrived in upstate New York today, with freezing temperatures and snow. A lake snow advisory was posted for western New York state as a cold northwest wind carried between two and four inches of snow to the region. Snow fell in Newark, New Jersey, today for the first time on this date since 1984.

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#90317u0676 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (NOV. 13) UPI - The more television a child watches, the more likely the youngster is to have high levels of potentially artery-clogging cholesterol, a study showed Tuesday.

Researchers from the University of California-Irvine said their study of 1,066 young people ages two to 20 found an "amazing correlation" between how much time was spent watching TV and cholesterol levels.

"Watching two hours or more of TV daily turned out to be a stronger predictor of elevated cholesterol in children than any other factor we looked at," said Dr. Kurt Gold, co-author of the study which also examined family medical history, obesity, diet, and exercise.

About eight percent of the children surveyed had blood cholesterol levels of

200 milligrams per deciliter - one-tenth of a liter - or greater. Another 13 percent had levels between 176 milligrams and 199 milligrams per deciliter.

The American Academy of Pediatrics considers a cholesterol level greater that 175 milligrams per deciliter in children high enough to warrant dietary changes.

Children who watched two or more hours of TV daily were twice as likely to have cholesterol levels over 200 than those who watched less. The situation was even worse for those youngsters who watched four or more hours of TV per day - they had four times the risk of having cholesterol counts above 200 as those who watched less than two hours.

"Since cholesterol levels tend to rise somewhat as a child reaches adulthood, many of these children could have dangerously high levels later in life," said Gold, whose findings were presented at an American Heart Association meeting.

Excessive levels of cholesterol are associated with atherosclerosis, a narrowing of the arteries that greatly increases the risk of heart attack and stroke.

Researchers do not know precisely why greater amounts of TV watching were linked to higher cholesterol levels in young people. However, they speculated that heavy TV watchers tend to eat more high-calorie snacks, be exposed to more commercials for high-fat "junk" foods and exercise less than those who spend less time in front of the TV.

Gold conceded that it is also possible that TV watching may not play a direct role in boosting cholesterol levels, but may act as a good marker of children with a genetic tendency or other factors predisposing them to elevated cholesterol.

Whatever the association between TV watching and high cholesterol, Gold suggests that pediatricians routinely question parents about their children's TV viewing habits and run cholesterol tests on children who are heavy TV watchers.

"I think these findings give us an opportunity to make a real difference. We might be able to identify a lot more people with high cholesterol," said Gold, who thinks children should watch no more than two hours of TV daily and should be encouraged to exercise at least 15 minutes a day. The children surveyed had an average age of about 7 1/2 and lived in Orange County, Calif., an affluent suburban area near Los Angeles.

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#90317u0684 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these

odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for November 12: Purchases of 349,141 shares and sales of 466,047 shares including 13,704 shares sold short.

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#90317u0707 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (NOV. 13) UPI - A lawyer for a woman who claimed she was raped in a former Harvard private club that once referred to women as "slobbering bovines" planned to appeal a judge's order not to discuss the case.

Jeffrey Newman declined to talk about the case because of the gag order issued by Suffolk Superior Court Judge Malcolm Graham, The Boston Globe said Tuesday.

Newman represents a New Jersey woman who is suing Pi Eta, a private club formerly affiliated with Harvard, because she said a guest at the club raped her there two years ago.

Graham issued the gag order at the request of Lee S. Macphee, a lawyer representing the corporation that operates the club, whose members are Harvard undergraduates and graduates. The club was affiliated with Harvard until 1984 when the university cut its ties to all-male clubs.

Pi Eta came to public attention that year when students picketed the all-male club, charging that its literature promoted violence against women. A letter distributed to club members referred to women as "pigs" and promised those members attending the club's parties "a bevy of slobbering bovines fresh for the slaughter." A copy of that letter wound up in the mailbox of a female Harvard student.

Newman said he planned to file this week a petition to set aside the gag order with the state Appeals Court. The case is expected to go to trial Dec. 3.

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#90317u0708 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 13) UPI - Stock prices were higher at midday Tuesday on the London International stock exchange.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index was up 13.3 points to 2065.2. The narrower top 30 industrial average was up 9.1 points to 1598.8.

Volume at midday amounted to around 239.4 million shares.

A strong markup of stock prices in London after Monday's surge on Wall Street soon lost ground as the market focused on the weakness of the pound, traders said.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Merchant Bank Warburg fell 3 cents to $1.54 after posting a 35 percent slump in pretax profit and an unchanged dividend at 2.29 cents for the half year to Sept. 30.

Sedgwick group rose 3 cents to $1.09 after reporting a slightly better-than-expected 2.8 percent rise in pretax profit for the six months ending Sept. 30.

De La Rue, a printing technology company, edged a fraction of a cent higher to $1.37 after reporting a 71 percent leap in pretax profit for the six months ending Sept. 30.

Elsewhere, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed mixed.

The closely watched German Stock Index closed up 0.67 points to 1, 402.91.

Traders said re-emerging worries about increasing chances for war in the Persian Gulf, as well as news that chemical group Hoechst AG's earnings fell 22 percent in the first nine months of 1990, helped lead the market lower after prices peaked around midday.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $383.70 silver base of $4.23 and platinum price of $419.40:

	Tuesday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$399.50	401.60
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	205.00	206.00
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.30	105.80
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.50	43.70
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	399.50	401.80
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	205.00	206.00
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.80	106.30
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.50	43.70
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	405.90	408.00
China Panda .50 troy oz.	209.10	210.20
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.50	109.00
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.80	47.10
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.00	28.10
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	399.60	401.70
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	204.20	205.30
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.20	103.70
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.40	44.60

Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	398.10	399.80
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	206.10	206.90
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.80	106.40
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	45.20
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	398.00	400.30
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	204.60	205.90
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.80	88.30
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	45.70
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.10	24.30
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.64	$5.66
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,270	$3,270
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,375	$1,375
Platinum		
Australian Koala	434.00	430.00
Isle of Man Noble	431.00	426.00
Canada Maple Leaf	442.00	438.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - The known death toll from Typhoon Mike in the Philippines has risen to at least 14. Before heading out to sea today, the storm took a heavy toll on the central Philippines. The most powerful typhoon to strike the Philippines in nine years smashed into the island of Leyte from the Pacific Ocean with sustained winds of 150 miles an hour. Radio news reports said the typhoon destroyed two private radio station transmitters, more than 54-hundred houses, a bridge, and scores of government and military buildings. It also spawned a tornado that crushed 160 houses. Officials said downed communications and power networks prevented a full assessment of damage and casualties, and they fear the death toll will go up.

A published report says Indiana Republican Senator Richard Lugar is expected to urge President Bush to call Congress into special session to debate war declaration policy. Lugar reportedly will hold a news conference to call for the debate. Lugar is the senior Republican on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

A new poll appears to show that President Bush is losing public support for

his Persian gulf policy. Of 615 Americans interviewed yesterday, 51 percent said they approve of how Bush is handling the crisis. However, the 51-percent is down from 82 percent in an August 20th poll. As for the recent deloyment of additional troops, 38 percent said they approved, down from 51 percent in August.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak left Cairo today for a surprise visit to Libya to talk with Moammar Gadhafi about the gulf crisis. A spokesman gave no details of Mubarak's visit to neighboring Libya, which restored diplomatic ties with Egypt two years ago. Mubarak's visit to Libya comes two days after King Hassan of Morocco called for an emergency Arab summit on the gulf crisis.

An immigration official in Hong Kong says that 111 boat people will be freed on bail, 24 hours after authorities defied a judge's order to release them from 18 months of what he ruled was illegal detention. The director of immigration said he would immediately release the Vietnamese on their own recognizance and that the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees would temporarily house them at a refugee camp.

Radio, television and motion picture veteran Eve Arden died yesterday of heart failure at the age of 82. Arden was best known for her role as the school teacher on ''Our Miss Brooks.'' She won an Emmy in 1953 for best female personality. She also appeared in more than 70 motion pictures, including ''My Reputation'' with Barbara Stanwyck, and ''Mildred Pierce'' with Joan Crawford.

Officials say art works belonging to the estate of Henry Ford the Second and his family brought in a disappointing 48-point-58 Million dollars at Sotheby's North America in New York yesterday. The lower- than-expected amount was seen as a sign of an UNcertain art market. It was hoped that the 23 works would bring in 65 Million dollars. One-third of the works offered for sale were pulled off the auction block because nobody bid even the minimum price.

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LAHORE, PAKISTAN (NOV. 13) UPI - Transport workers reached an agreement with the government Tuesday to end an 8-day-old strike that had brought life in much of the country to a standstill.

Buses, taxis, trucks and oil tankers resumed operating Tuesday evening in the country's most populous province of Punjab following announcement of the settlement.

The drivers began the strike Nov. 6 to protest an Islamic law under which they must pay the equivalent of $7,700 in compensation to the families of anyone they kill in a road accident or risk imprisonment or execution. Drivers in other parts of the country staged a one-day work stoppage Monday in sympathy.

Officials said a settlement to the dispute was reached Tuesday during talks between a government team led by federal Law Minister Fakhre Imam and representatives of transport owners and workers.

They said that under the agreement, half the compensation would be paid by the government while the remainder would be split between the drivers, owners and insurance companies.

On Monday, the Punjab government said it had reached an agreement with transport representatives to end the protest. But transport leaders denied the claim and drivers continued to observe the strike until Tuesday's announcement.

''Our buses began plying again at 5 p.m. today,'' said the manager of one private bus company in the Punjab capital of Lahore.

The strike has paralyzed life in much of the country, with many schools, colleges, government offices, banks and private businesses closed. Gangs enforcing the protest have attacked strike breakers with stones and oil.

Long lines continued in towns and cities in Punjab and in the capital at the few gas stations where gasoline was still available. Some station owners instituted their own rationing systems. Authorities had predicted acute shortages of essential foodstuffs if the strike continued.

The stoppage presented Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, a former industrialist from Punjab, with his first major challenge since taking office last week. Sharif's right-wing Islamic Democratic Alliance defeated ousted Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's populist Pakistan People's Party in the Oct. 24 elections.

Analysts say the government could face more unrest if it introduces a massive hike in gasoline prices called for by the International Monetary Fund and necessitated in part by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earliers.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Atari Corp (3rd Q 9-30)	
$89,146,000	$81,444,000
$3,003,000 (.05)	d-$5,395,000

d-Deficit.

B C Gas (3rd Q 9-30)	
c-$219,242,000	c-$214,140,000
$8,747,000	$12,745,000 (.50)

c-Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Culbro Corp (3rd Q 9-29)
$248,710,000 $232,462,000
a-$201,000 (.05) d-$3,490,000
a-Reflects a $1,000,000 gain from the sale of excess warehouse facilities recorded in the 3rd quarter of 1990.
d-Deficit, reflects $4,000,000 restructuring charges recorded in the 3rd quarter of 1989.

Dillard Dept Stores (3rd Q 11-3)
$873,490,000 $727,179,000
$32,357,000 (.88) $24,240,000 (.69)

Elbit Computers (3rd Q 9-30)
a-$91,267,000 $42,159,000
$5,472,000 (.35) $3,042,000 (.22)
a-The 1990 results reflect the consolidation of Elscint Ltd.

G R Foods (3rd Q 9-30)
$75,218,000 $20,544,000
d-$4,758,000 $1,065,000 (.07)
d-Deficit.

Holnam Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$323,979,000 $326,903,000
$7,558,000 (.07) $16,407,000 (.17)

Home Depot (3rd Q 10-28)
$936,612,000 $699,740,000
$36,096,000 (.30) $25,640,000 (.22)

J C Penny (3rd Q 10-27)
$4,247,000,000 $4,298,000,000
$134,000,000 (1.07) $209,000,000 (1.65)

Limited Inc (3rd Q 11-3)
$1,247,893,000 $1,110,449,000
$84,917,000 (.23) $84,869,000 (.23)

Live Entertainment (3rd Q 9-30)
$182,705,000 $99,317,000
$7,952,000 (.64) $12,366,000 (1.04)

MLX Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$137,913,000 $133,329,000
d-$318,000 $1,178,000 (.07)
d-Deficit

Robec Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$46,618,000 $42,953,000
$730,000 (.16) $1,003,000 (.31)

Unigesco (2nd Q 9-30)
c-$132,030,000 c-$128,753,000
$1,246,000 (.03) d-$1,725,000
c-Amounts in Canadian dollars.
d-Deficit.

Viatech Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
a-$95,397,000 $19,546,000
$1,875,000 (1.07) $426,000 (.34)
a-The company attributes its higher sales and earnings to its Ferembal unit, which it acquired in the fourth quarter of 1989.

Windmere Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$45,889,200 $51,202,400
$211,200 (.02) $5,924,500 (.38)

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PAPEETE, TAHITI (NOV. 13) UPI - Marlon Brando's daughter tried to commit suicide for the second time in two weeks, but was saved from death by her mother, family members said Tuesday.

Cheyenne, 20, tried to hang herself at her mother's house in Tahiti, the family said. The woman has been charged with complicity in the May 16 murder of her boyfriend Dag Drollet in Los Angeles. Her half-brother, Christian Brando, has been charged with killing Drollet.

It was the second suicide attempt by Cheyenne in two weeks, following an earlier attempt to end her days by swallowing a massive dose of anti-depressants that plunged her into a 48-hour coma.

The family said Cheyenne had managed to escape from the constant guard of relatives who feared she would again try to take her life. She was discovered Sunday by her mother, the former actress Tarita Teriipain. The young woman was not breathing but heart was beating. She was taken to the hospital, and was said to be out of danger, according to a family spokesman.

Drollet's family believes Cheyenne, who gave birth to her boyfriend's child in June, is the only one who can describe the circumstances leading to the murder.

Prosecutors from the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office have been trying to subpoena Cheyenne to testify at the trial.

But Marlon Brando says his daughter has given investigators six contradictory versions of the story and argues her testimony would not be credible in any courtroom.

Christian Brando says the shooting was an accident that happened during a fight that started after Cheyenne accused Drollet of beating her up while she was pregnant with Drollet's child.

She returned to Tahiti after telling police the shooting was not an accident. The victim's father filed a complaint against her, resulting in the Tahitian charges of being an accessory to the murder.

She has since given birth to the child.

District Attorney's Office spokesman Mike Botula said prosecutors will continue its attempts to force Cheyenne back to California to testify.

''She could be perfectly healthy by the time she is needed to testify,'' he said. ''We have no choice but to proceed as we have in trying to secure her return to the United States to testify.''

Brando said he wants to be with his daughter, whom he calls ''the most precious thing in the world to me,'' but that he does not dare go to Tahiti because he fears local authorities will arrest him and keep him on the island to testify against his daughter.

Christian Brando's trial, originally scheduled to begin Nov. 5 in Los Angeles, was postponed. A new date is to be set Nov. 19.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 76.50-80.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 120.63-123.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 40.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $210.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $418.50-$425.00; dealer- approx., $421.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $109.00-$111.83 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 295.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) UPI - The Supreme Court Tuesday let stand a ruling that in some circumstances, a state can legally consider costs incurred by a union in communicating issues about an election to its members as campaign contributions.

The Wisconsin Education Association Council, a union representing some of the state's teachers, had asked the high court to reject the interpretation, claiming it would restrict the freedom of speech of union members

Under Wisconsin law, some organizations are limited as to how much money they can spend in promoting a particular candidate under campaign finance laws. The teachers' union claims by its very nature it should not fall under those restrictions.

"If these opinions are permitted to stand, the members of every voluntary association in Wisconsin will be unable to converse effectively within their own association about many of the very issues that brought them together in the first place," the union wrote in asking the high court to hear the case.

The dispute began in May 1988 when the WEAC announced it would pay some union

members to mobilize others in support of specific candidates for the state legislature.

The Wisconsin State Elections Board warned the union that such activity might constitute campaign contributions under state law if undertaken after contact with candidates or their representatives.

WEAC then agreed not to meet with candidates, but the elections board proceeded to inform the union that certain expenses incurred for communicating exclusively with other union members would still be deemed contributions under the Wisconsin Campaign Finance Act.

The union claimed its actions were protected in all cases by the First and 14th Amendments from being housed under campaign restrictions.

The board said the protection depended on the content of each political communication. A circuit court dismissed the case without looking at the constitutional issues, and the Wisconsin Court of Appeals deemed the case moot.

The Wisconsin Supreme Court then adopted the view of the board, agreeing that each case would depend on the "nature and scope" of the political communications even within a union.

The high court's refusal to become involved in the case does not grant it precedent, but allows the case in question to stand in Wisconsin.

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DALLAS (NOV. 13) UPI - A building block of vitamin A commonly found in many fruits and vegetables has shown promise for treating heart and blood vessel disease, researchers reported Tuesday.

A study of 333 patients with coronary artery disease but who had not suffered heart attacks found those who took beta carotene pills for about five years experienced about half as many heart attacks, strokes and seriously clogged arteries as those who got phony pills.

The study provides the first evidence to suggest vitamins like beta carotene may be useful in treating cardiovascular disease in humans. However, the researchers cautioned their study only looked at people already stricken by coronary artery disease, and did not examine effects of the vitamin building block on healthy people.

"We don't yet know whether beta carotene will really benefit people who don't have coronary artery disease," said Dr. Charles Hennekens of Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, co-author of the study presented at an American Heart Association meeting.

The patients studied were drawn from a larger group of 22,000 male doctors involved in the nationwide Physicians' Health Study. They were originally given beta carotene to see if it would protect against cancer.

Researchers theorized beta carotene may slow the progress of coronary artery disease by preventing oxidation of bad cholesterol, a process thought to boost cholesterol's power to damage blood vessels.

The findings come on the heels of another study showing heart patients given large doses of another anti-oxidant, vitamin E, before coronary bypass surgery apparently suffered less oxidation damage to the heart during the operation.

"The message of these reports is that we think it is time for anti-oxidants to come out of the lab and go into clinical trials," Hennekens said. "But right now, they have no relevance to the general public."

Vitamin A is a group of compounds essential to vision, cell growth and immune function. Beta carotene and other natural precursors of vitamin A, called carotenoids, are found in carrots, sweet potatoes, apricots, peaches, and cantaloupes.

Patients in the study received 50 milligrams of beta carotene every other day and reported no side effects. The recommended daily intake of beta carotene for adults is about three to four milligrams, Hennekens said.

Researchers want to continue the study to see if beta carotene can help guard against heart disease in healthy people, and if it can also help ward off malignancies like lung and colon cancer. Results of that work are not expected for three to five years.

The same study originally included an aspirin component, but that was stopped early after results showed a 44 percent reduction in risk of first heart attack among men taking one aspirin every other day. About 90 percent of the participants now take aspirin.

Hennekens said he thinks beta carotene will not have as dramatic effect as aspirin in lowering heart attack risk. "There's nothing extreme going on like there was for aspirin," he said. "But the most plausible benefit is small to moderate, and such a reduction in a common and serious disease such as heart disease or cancer would have an enormous public health benefit."

Aspirin is thought to lower heart attack risk by reducing the chance blood will clot and block narrowed arteries. Since beta carotene appears to work by a different mechanism, Hennekens said the two medications may complement each other. He noted none of the approximately 80 subjects who received both aspirin and beta carotene suffered heart attacks, although if heart attack deaths were spread evenly among the 333 subjects that sub-group should have

experienced seven such deaths.

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#90317u0869 11/13/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) UPI - The Supreme Court Tuesday set aside the order of a Louisiana court that a mentally ill convicted murderer can be forced to take anti-psychotic drugs so that he is legally sane long enough to be executed.

The court vacated the ruling of the 19th Judicial District Court of Louisiana in the case involving Michael Owen Perry and ordered a new hearing in light of a separate ruling last term that prison officials can force mentally ill inmates to be treated with mind altering drugs for medical - not punitive - reasons.

The high court held last February in a case involving the state of Washington that the 14th Amendment permits a state to treat a prison inmate who has a serious mental illness with anti-psychotic drugs against his will, if the inmate is dangerous to himself or others and the treatment is in the inmate's "medical interest."

The decision appeared to be a victory for Perry and a number of human rights groups that had protested Louisiana's attempt to execute him. But the outcome of the case still hinges on the lower court's interpretation of the Supreme Court's February decision.

The decision to send the case back to the lower court was released Tuesday in a one-sentence order. Justice David Souter was not on the bench when the case was argued Oct. 2, and so took no part in the decision.

Perry, who suffers from schizoaffective disorder, a major psychotic illness, has regular hallucinations and delusions. He had spent time in state mental hospitals prior to the 1983 murder of his mother, father, nephew and two cousins, for which he was convicted.

The American Psychiatric Association is urging that Perry receive medication for treatment of his mental illness, but that his sentence be commuted to life in prison so he can be properly cared for.

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#90317u0872 11/13/1990 ~United Press International
PARIS (NOV. 13) UPI - Opposition politicians criticized President Francois Mitterrand's government Tuesday for its handling of a huge demonstration by high school students that degenerated into violence.

Police said 83 people still were being held Tuesday following arrests made during and after the demonstration Monday afternoon and evening, many of them

caught red-handed looting shops on the fringes of the march from the Place de La Bastille to the Pont de L'Alma.

But opposition Rally for the Republic leader Jacques Toubon in the National Assembly accused the government of ''having chosen to let things happen.''

Television footage showed that riot police did not immediately intervene when radical demonstrators converged on the C and A store on the ground floor of the Tour Montparnasse shopping center on the Left Bank and made off with dozens of dresses, suits and coats.

''The incidents of yesterday are in large part the result of instructions given to the forces of order,'' Toubon contended.

Opposition leaders accused the government of wanting to see incidents provoked in order to tarnish the image of the great majority of peaceful demonstrators demanding reforms of the education system, especially fewer classes, more teachers and better school security.

''The president of the republic is playing with public opinion, and more seriously still, with the youngsters,'' said Toubon.

According to figures furnished by independent police unions, 193 police officers were injured Monday and 34 of those were hospitalized, five of them in serious condition.

Interior Minister Pierre Joxe acknowledged there had been ''very serious events'' carried out by ''very aggressive, very violent youths.'' He also conceded authorities intervened 10 minutes after the trouble began at the Tour Montparnasse.

Joxe said, ''Each time that a large number of youths, without experience of such demonstrations gathers together, this creates serious risks.''

The high school students have called for another demonstration Friday in the capital to back their demands. Education Minister Lionel Jospin said Monday night the government would introduce urgent reforms to the education system but did not commit himself to any specific expenditure.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - Super Typhoon Mike is headed into the South China Sea after sparing Manila from the fury of 150-mile-an-hour winds. But the most powerful storm in nine years dealt a glancing blow to the Philippines, killing at least 14 people and forcing nearly 240-thousand others to flee their homes. It also trapped 17 workers aboard an offshore oil drilling platform. They are reported safe and helicopters will carry them to land once the skies clear.

Iraq has cut back on food rations allowed for civilians, cutting rice by one-third to two-point-two pounds a month for each person. The report says Iraqi troops will continue receiving rations at twice the levels given to civilians. And it says overall Iraqi food supplies remain adequate despite the U-N imposed sanctions.

This comes as Iraq's deputy premier heads to Morocco where King Hassan has suggested calling an Arab summit to obtain a peaceful settlement to the Persian Gulf crisis. That call has received a cool response from other Arab states.

Singapore has agreed to allow Washington to beef up the U-S military presence in the Asian country. Vice President Quayle and Singapore Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew signed the agreement in Tokyo today. The new deal will let the U-S Air Force send aircraft to Singapore several times a year on training missions and will increase the duration and number of U-S Navy ships allowed to visit. And the number of U-S troops stationed year-round in Singapore will rise from 22 to almost 100.

Quayle also met with Phillipine President Corazon Aquino. A Quayle spokesman says Aquino strongly endorsed current U-S policy in the Persian Gulf.

Top aides to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev deny there is any government crisis within the country but they do report a heated weekend meeting with political rival Boris Yeltsin. Yeltsin is president of the Russian Federation, the largest political entity within the Soviet Union, and he has his own ideas of where the country should go. Yeltsin reportedly wants the Russian parliament to chose the premier, defense minister and finance minister of the umbrella Soviet government.

The countdown continues for the space shuttle Atlantis. The spaceplane is due to lift off Thursday night carrying a military satellite into orbit. However NASA skywatchers say weather may delay blastoff. The ground around Cape Canaveral did shake last night, as an UNmanned Air Force Titan 4 rocket carrying another military satellite thrust into space. There are reports that the rocket's payload is a missile early warning satellite.

Television may be hazardous to your child's health. A new study shows that the more t-v a child watches, the more likely the youngster is to have high levels of potentially artery-clogging cholesterol. Researchers from the University of California-Irvine say their study of more than one-thousand people age 2 to 20 found an ''amazing correlation.'' They speculate that heavy t-v watchers tend to eat more high-calorie snacks, be exposed to more commercials for junk food and exercise less than those spending less time in front of the tube.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 13) UPI - Authorities in the nominally independent black homeland of Bophuthatswana hanged a convicted murderer Tuesday, ignoring a national moratorium to carry out the first execution in South Africa in a year despite President Frederik de Klerk's racial reform policy.

Alpheus Sekoboane, 33, was hanged at dawn at the homeland's Rooigrond Central Prison under what the independent Lawyers for Human Rights organization described as ''particularly tragic'' circumstances. He had been sentenced to death for the 1987 murder of his girlfriend.

Authorities in the homeland had no immediate comment, but human rights officials in Pretoria and in the homeland said Sekoboane had been denied the chance to exhaust all legal avenues to spare his life.

LHR National Director Brian Currin said Sekoboane had been unable to file a petition for clemency because he could not afford legal representation. LHR representatives then applied for an urgent stay of execution Monday but it was turned down by the Bophuthatswana supreme court.

The application for a stay was denied on the grounds homeland President Lucas Mangope had already decided not to grant clemency, even though a petition for clemeny had never been filed with him, Currin said.

''Tragically, South Africa has had to endure its first execution in a period of 12 months,'' Currin said.

Bophuthatswana, a constellation of seven tracts of land designated for blacks of the Tswana tribe, is one of four homelands recognized only by South Africa as sovereign under a decades-old apartheid policy that was intended to give blacks limited self-rule.

De Klerk ordered a moratorium on executions as one of his dramatic racial reform announcements on Feb. 2 that also included the unbanning of the African National Congress and the release of Nelson Mandela.

Although his order technically did not apply to the four homelands - once dubbed Pretoria's unruly offspring - only Bophuthatswana refused to follow suit.

The ANC has insisted on an end to executions as a condition to its participation in pending negotiations on a post-apartheid constitution.

In the wake of de Klerk's moratorium, laws have been changed giving judges greater flexibility in imposing the ultimate penalty and South Africa has begun to shed its reputation as one of the world's leading judicial executioners.

Excluding executions in homelands, 53 people were executed in South Africa last year. In 1988, 121 people were executed, including four in the homelands, and a record 181 were executed in 1987, helping to put South Africa third in such executions behind Iraq and Iran.

There are presently 326 prisoners on death row in South Africa and the homelands, including 50 political offenders, the Human Rights Commission said.

Tuesday's execution came a day after Mangope accused the ANC of plotting his assassination and rounded up at least 32 ANC officials in Bophuthatswana. The mass arrests coincided with an ANC-sponsored work boycott in the homeland to protest Mangope's rule.

Unlike the other three homeland leaders, Mangope has refused to negotiate with the ANC and remains firmly opposed to ''reincorporation'' into South Africa - a principal demand of the ANC.

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BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND (NOV. 13) UPI - A gunman linked to an outlawed Roman Catholic paramilitary group was shot dead by British troops in Northern Ireland early Tuesday, the Royal Ulster Constabulary said.

Alex Patterson, a father of four, died when troops guarding the home of a member of the Ulster Defense Regiment opened fire on a group of gunmen at Victoria Bridge, near Strabane, 68 miles northwest of Belfast.

A police spokesman said Patterson died after the gunfight outside the home of a part-time soldier believed to be on an Irish National Liberation Army death list.

Friends of the family and neighbors have linked Patterson to the outlawed INLA a terrorist organization fighting to free Northern Ireland from British rule.

Media reports said three INLA gunmen had planned to attack the soldier's home when they were ambushed by troops. After a brief gunfight, Patterson's body was recovered, and a machine gun was found next to it, police said.

An undisclosed number of men were arrested shortly after the incident.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record

Omitted				
Kerr Glass Mfg				
Extra				
Bassett Furniture	..	.25	11-30	11-23
Usual				
Applied Power cl-A&B	Q	.03	11-30	11-20
Bassett Furniture	Q	.25	11-30	11-23
Charter Co	A	.05	12-6	11-21
First Northern Svgs	Q	.17	12-14	11-30
Health Images Inc	..	.03	12-14	11-23
Stone Container	Q	.18	12-31	12-11
Tejon Ranch Co	S	.02 1/2	12-18	12-3
Westcorp	Q	.03	12-14	11-21

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA (NOV. 13) UPI - Herman Cohen, U.S. assistant secretary of state for African affairs, arrived Tuesday in Ethiopia to pursue talks aimed at avoiding another disastrous famine and ending the east African country's two long-standing civil wars.

Cohen said on arrival his visit was a follow-up to talks with Ethiopian Foreign Minister Yesfaye Dinka in New York in September. These included prospects for peace talks with Eritrean rebels, the re-opening of the key northern port of Massawa and the question of allowing Ethiopia''s Jewish Falasha tribe to emigrate to Israel.

About 4 1/2 million people in the northern provinces of Eritrea and Tigray face starvation in next year, according to government and U.N. estimates, unless logistic blockages caused mainly by war can be overcome.

The chief obstacle at present is the refusal by the Eritrean People's Liberation Front, fighting a 30-year war for provincial independence, to re-open Massawa, 470 miles north of Addis Ababa, to relief food.

The rebels captured the Red Sea port - the only sea access point to the north - in February but did not win the road out of it. It has been closed ever since, despite a unique joint U.S.-Soviet bid to persuade government and rebels to allow humanitarian aid to pass.

Cohen, who said on arrival that ''relations (with Addis Ababa) are now very productive,'' was also due to discuss the departure of thousands of Falasha

tribesmen, centuries-long followers of the Jewish faith, for Israel.

Falasha emigration, interrupted by the Ethiopian government at one stage this year, has been widely reported linked to arms deliveries from Israel, including alleged shipments of lethal cluster bombs dropped on Massawa this summer.

Israel has firmly denied supplying weapons to Ethiopia.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - A disappointing auction of art from the collection of the late Henry Ford II cast gloom Tuesday over an upcoming sale boasting a Van Gogh flower study and other important Impressionist and modern paintings.

The Van Gogh, ''Vase With Cornflowers and Poppies,'' will go on the block at Christie's gallery Wednesday, carrying a pre-sale evaluation of $12 million to $16 million, along with a rare ink sketch by the Dutch master, ''Garden of Flowers,'' valued at $5 million to $7 million.

The Van Gogh floral is being sold for the benefit of the Albright- Knox Art Gallery in Buffalo, N.Y., where it has been exhibited since 1962 at the Buffalo Museum of Science and the University at Buffalo Foundation. A similar but more famous Van Gogh study of sunflowers sold in 1987 to a Japanese insurance company for $39.9 millin.

Although the Van Goghs, works of the world's most popular artist, are expected to fetch prices within Christie's evaluations, the results of the Ford auction at Sotheby's gallery Monday put salability of other works in the Christie sale in doubt.

These include a Monet study of waterlilies and major works by Degas, Chagall, Picasso, Giacometti, Miro, Mondrian and Leger.

Sotheby's sold Renoir's ''Cup of Chocolate,'' an elegant 1878 portrait acquired by Ford's father, Edsel, to an unidentified Japanese collector for $18.2 million, but 23 of the 37 Ford paintings and sculptures auctioned failed to find buyers.

The total for the sale was $48.6 million, dramatically below Sotheby's pre-sale estimate of $66 million to $85.8 million.

''It was disappointing,'' said David Nash, curator of fine arts sales at Sotheby's, after the show. ''The works were very desirable, but the market is in a state of change, and it is very difficult to anticipate how much it will change.

''There is no doubt that the events in the Middle East, combined with rather worrying economic predictions, have made people more cautious. Despite all this, there are people who really want to buy paintings at very strong prices and will compete for them.''

The paintings that went unsold received bids below the minimum reserve price decided on by the consignor and gallery experts. The sale was precipitated by a feud over the estate between Ford's widow, Kathleen DuRoss Ford, and his three children.

Proceeds from the auction will be divided among Kathleen, Ford's grandchildren and the U.S. government.

The price for the Renoir was the second highest ever paid for one of his paintings. The highest was $78.1 million, paid by a Japanese industrialist last May at Sotheby's for ''At the Moulin de la Gallette,'' a large dance hall scene that many critics consider Renoir's finest work.

The second highest price in the sale was $7.2 million by an unidentified bidder for Paul Cezanne's ''Le Jas de Bouffan.''

One of the major paintings that did not sell was a portrait of Amadeo Modigliani of American artist Morgan Russell, founder of the Synchronist movement. It carried an evaluation of $8 million to $10 million.

Nash said he believes the art market is seeking a new level. Dealers are waiting to see where the market bottoms out and may be worried about selling inventory before buying more. Even the bidding by Japanese was more sluggish than he expected, Nash said.

''This is a good time to have cash in hand,'' Nash said.

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#90317u0969 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

TALLAHASSEE, FL (NOV. 13) UPI - The makers of Koala Springs fruit-flavored mineral water voluntarily recalled the drink Tuesday after Florida health officials found up to 18 times the acceptable level of the cancer-causing substance benzene.

Koala Springs International said it would pull the product from supermarket shelves nationwide and return the bottles to its distribution warehouses. The company scheduled a news conference for 1 p.m. EST at its headquarters in Fremont, Calif., to announce details.

A chemist for the Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services said benzene had been found in all four flavors - lemon-lime, orange, apple, and passion fruit - and in bottles purchased at various locations.

"Everything we have tested has shown contamination with benzene," said HRS chemist Luis Benavides. "We have found 18 parts per billion. Benzene is a carcinogen. There should not be any."

Health officials have set one part per billion as the maximum allowable level in water. Benavides said the drink could pose a health threat "if someone were to drink this continuously."

The contamination was first discovered when a bottle of Koala Springs purchased at a Fort Lauderdale Publix store was subjected to random sampling Thursday. "We routinely sample food from the shelves," Benavides said.

When it showed benzene was present, HRS workers tested other bottles and found similar benzene concentrations then notified the manufacturer, Benavides said.

Denis Weil, Koala's marketing director, acknowledged the product exceeded Florida's standards for products classified as a "pure water" but said it posed no health risk. He said the state's standards for trace minerals in "pure water" are unusually strict and that the drink should have been judged differently.

"We are a mineral water with fruit juice. Anytime you add fruit juice, there's a chance of having materials that may not allow you to be in compliance with water standards," Weil said. "If our product was judged as an agriculture or food-type product, our beverage would have met the requirements," even in Florida, he said.

"Although there is no public health risk, we have voluntarily decided until we determine what is causing the additional contamination, that we will pull our product from all the supermarket shelves."

An HRS inspector mentioned the test results to a Publix official late last week, and Publix ordered its stores to take Koala Springs off the shelves even before the recall was announced, a spokeswoman at the grocery chain's headquarters in Lakeland said.

"We received word there was a possible benzene contamination and they (the manufacturers) may be issuing a recall. At that point, we felt for our customers' safety, we did make the decision to go ahead and pull the product off our shelves until further notice," spokeswoman Jennifer Bush said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - The preseason United Press International Board of Coaches' Top 25 college basketball ratings, with first-place votes and last season's records in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first

place, 14 for second, etc.) and last season's final ranking:

1.	UNLV (32) (35-5)	562	2
2.	Arizona (2) (25-7)	514	12
3.	Arkansas (4) (30-5)	487	8
4.	North Carolina (1) (21-13)	412	NR
5.	Michigan State (1) (28-6)	408	4
6.	Duke (29-9)	335	14
7.	Georgetown (1) (24-7)	311	9
8.	Indiana (18-11)	270	NR
9.	Alabama (26-9)	237	19
10.	UCLA (22-11)	194	NR
11.	Ohio State (17-13)	150	NR
12.	Oklahoma (27-5)	147	1
13.	(tie) Connecticut (31-6)	144	3
13.	(tie) LSU (23-9)	144	NR
15.	Pittsburgh (12-17)	112	NR
16.	Syracuse (26-7)	105	6
17.	Georgia Tech (28-7)	73	7
18.	S. Mississippi (20-12)	46	NR
19.	Virginia (20-12)	45	NR
20.	Kansas (30-5)	36	5
21.	Texas (24-9)	33	NR
22.	Louisville (27-8)	28	16
23.	Georgia (20-9)	22	NR
24.	Temple (20-11)	20	NR
25.	Notre Dame (16-13)	16	NR

NR - unranked

Others receiving votes: Brigham Young, California, DePaul, East Tennessee State, Houston, Loyola Marymount, Murray State, New Mexico, New Mexico State, North Carolina State, Purdue, St. John's, SW Louisiana, UC Santa Barbara, Villanova.

Note: By agreement with the National Association of Basketball Coaches of the United States, teams on probation by the NCAA and ineligible for the NCAA Tournament are ineligible for Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches.

The teams this season are Illinois, Kentucky, Marshall, Maryland, Missouri, Northwest Louisiana and Robert Morris.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) UPI - The National Pork Producers Council wants to see prompt action to resolve a pork export dispute with Europe or it will file a

trade complaint against the European Community, the group said Tuesday.

Pork Producers President Mike Wehler said the group also might seek the use of export subsidies to encourage pork sales and was looking for new markets, such as the Soviet Union, for pork sales.

The European Community announced at the start of this month it was banning imports of U.S. pork on grounds U.S. packing plants did not meet its sanitation standards. Government and meat industry leaders have assailed the ban as a disguised trade barrier. Beef exports face a Dec. 31 ban.

''They have systematically delisted the entire U.S. meat industry from being able to sell'' to EC customers, Wehler said during a telephone news conference.

Members of the Pork Producers board of directors agreed during a meeting Monday to press for strong action against Europe, officials said. Wehler said the council would file a Section 301 trade complaint, which opens the door to U.S. retaliation, if a consultation between U.S. and European officials next week did not show results.

''We need indications of further meetings at high levels to resolve this, not a continuation of the consultation process,'' Wehler said.

The Pork Producers have urged trade ambassador Carla Hills to initiate a Section 301 complaint on her own. Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter said last week that U.S. meat inspectors would tour European slaughterhouses to see if they meet U.S. standards.

According to the council, the European ban could cost hog farmers and the meat industry $40 million to $50 million in lost sales and lower prices.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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THUNDER BAY, ONTARIO (NOV. 13) UPI - A Wisconsin man who helped convicted

murderer Lawrencia "Bambi" Bembenek escape from prison was ordered deported from Canada Tuesday.

The order was issued at an immigration hearing for Dominic Gugliatto, 35, of Milwaukee, the fiance of Bembenek, 32. Canadian officials are trying to expel both from the country. A deportation hearing for Bembenek will be held next Thursday.

Bembenek escaped July 15 from the Taycheedah Correctional Institution for women near Fond du Lac, Wis. She and Gugliatto were captured in Thunder Bay Oct. 17 after being spotted by a person who had seen their story on the television show "America's Most Wanted."

Bembenek was convicted of the 1981 slaying of Christine Schultz of Milwaukee. The victim was the ex-wife of Bembenek's husband at the time, Elfred Schultz, who has since divorced her.

A groundswell of sympathy for Bembenek grew up in the area and she became something of a folk hero, with some fans sporting bumper stickers calling for her release from jail.

Steve Csik, the Canadian immigration case presenting officer, said Gugliatto was ordered deported because he was working illegally in Canada and had "ceased to be a visitor in Canada." Gugliatto's lawyer can appeal to Canada's Federal Court within 72 hours.

Csik said he expected Gugliatto would be taken to Minnesota and handed over to officials there. He said he did not know how U.S. officials would handle the transfer of Gugliatto back to Wisconsin.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	53	12
Amsterdam cy	1pm	55	13
Ankara pc	3pm	44	06
Athens cy	2pm	60	16
Auckland cy	12m	62	17
Beijing c	8pm	50	10
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	43	06
Bonn r	1pm	49	09
Brussels r	1pm	53	11
Cairo c	2pm	75	23

Casablanca c	12n	71	22
Copenhagn cy	1pm	46	08
Dakar pc	12n	82	28
Dublin cy	1pm	57	13
Geneva cy	1pm	48	09
Helsinki s	2pm	34	01
Hong Kong c	8pm	73	23
Jerusalem c	2pm	65	18
Karachi c	5pm	91	33
Lisbon c	1pm	55	13
London r	1pm	57	13
Madrid c	1pm	57	14
Malta cy	1pm	67	19
Manila r	8pm	76	24
Moscow s	3pm	29	-01
Nairobi pc	3pm	68	20
Nassau pc	7am	74	23
New Delhi c	6pm	80	26
Nice c	1pm	55	13
Oslo fy	1pm	37	02
Paris cy	1pm	54	12
Pretoria c	2pm	91	32
Riyadh	3pm	82	28
Rome c	1pm	63	17
Seoul c	9pm	57	13
Sofia c	2pm	47	08
Stockholm cy	1pm	38	03
Sydney cy	10pm	69	20
Taipei c	8pm	72	22
Tokyo c	9pm	63	16
Tunis cy	1pm	68	20
Vienna cy	1pm	51	10
Warsaw cy	1pm	38	03

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	74	23
Caracas cy	8am	72	22
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	62	16
Mexico City hz	6am	41	05
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	75	24
Santiago cy	8am	53	12

Canada

Calgary pc		56	13
Edmonton cy		21	-06
Montreal cy		28	-02
Ottawa c		26	-03

Regina cy	36	02
Toronto c	37	02
Vancouver r	58	14
Winnipeg pc	26	-03

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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(NOV. 13) UPI - Republican Senator Richard Lugar of Indiana is urging President Bush to call Congress back to Washington to debate the growing U-S involement in Operation Desert Shield. Lugar says that ever since President Bush sent additional troops to the Saudi desert, there has been what Lugar calls ''an UNraveling of support around the country'' because of confusion about Washington's position. Lugar declined to call the vote he's seeking a declaration of war, but says it should have the same effect of showing an organized U-S resolve.

In a possible about-face, Iraq today sent envoys to Morocco and Libya to talk about setting up an Arab summit to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. And Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak headed for Libya to sound out whether a summit may be possible.

In Texas, the wives of several Americans held hostage in Iraq say they've joined a newly formed national organization opposed to the massive U-S troop buildup in the Middle East. one of the women, Donnita Cole of Odessa, is making plans to accept Iraq's invitation to visit the captives.

Makers of a flavored mineral water are re-calling the product because of benzene contamination. Koala Springs International of Fremont, California, will hold a news conference later today to discuss the re- call. Tests by health officials in Florida found the carcinogenic substance in the water.

The Supreme Court today let stand a decision giving South Carolina death-row inmate Horace Butler a new trial. A lower court ruled Butler's constitutional rights against being compelled to testify against himself were violated when the judge said the jury might take a refusal to testify as an admission of guilt.

The high court also chose NOT to become involved in a case about what happens when a company that releases hazardous waste into the environment later goes out of business. The court in effect decided that state law, NOT federal law, controls what will happen to a Minnesota company asked to help pay for the cleanup.

Israeli authorities are holding a 17-year-old Jordian accused of slipping over the border today and killing an Israeli solder. The youth was overpowered by troops who arrived at the army outpost minutes later. And two off-duty policemen escaped serious injury today when attacked by an Arab in Jerusalem.

Providence, Rhode Island, officials meet later today to decide if former mayor Vincent Cianci was returned to the job by voters. He has a felony conviction for assaulting his wife's alleged lover and opponents claim state law requires a three-year wait before he can run again.

Police in Glen Rock, Pennsylvania, doN'T know if a member of a church choir from the Soviet Union is missing... or has defected to the United States. The choir of the Moscow Church of Evangelical-Baptists leaves for home tomorrow without the musician. He hasN'T been seen since a concert on Sunday.

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PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (NOV. 13) UPI - Czechoslovakia, beset with separatist sentiment, is discussing a plan that would divide the nation into five republics, a senior official close to President Vaclav Havel said Tuesday.

The country presently consists of two republics. In an interview with United Press International, the senior official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said a five-republic idea is gathering favor in federal government circles as Slovak nationalists seeking nearly total autonomy for their republic threaten the survival of Czechoslovakia as a federal state.

The Czech, Slovak, and federal premiers and other top politicians met in Prague Tuesday to attempt to hammer out a new compromise on autonomy that would avoid a crisis in the federal government.

None of them could be reached for comment on the five-republic proposition Tuesday.

A draft compromise reached by the three premiers a week ago was rejected by the federal government, whose ministers said it gave away too much power, especially in the areas of taxation and economic powers.

Czechoslovakia is a hybrid state, composed of 5.4 million Slovaks and 10.3 million Czechs who were thrown together with German, Hungarian, Polish and Ukrainian minorities after the fall of the Austro-Hungarian empire in 1918.

Under the plan, the five republics would be Bohemia, Moravia, and Silesia in the Czech lands, and Eastern and Western Slovakia.

Critics say Slovakia is causing problems with its excessive demands for autonomy. The five-republic plan is seen as a way to both satisfy Slovak nationalists and yet keep Czechs and Slovaks together in a functioning federal republic.

''Two republics don't make a workable federation, but five do. Frankly, there are scenarios out there that could break up the federation, so we must do something,'' the senior official said.

The official also said Czech Premier Petr Pithart had helped to push the situation to a crisis by his extreme views.

''Pithart very honorably tried to forge an extremist line of policy to balance the Slovaks,'' the source said. ''It was a mistake, but he is in too deep to pull back.''

Tuesday, government spokesman Zbynek Fiala said the premier's meeting was proceeding well.

Monday night, Prime Minister Marian Calfa, in a speech on national television, warned that Czechoslovakia could not function properly if the federal government yielded too much power to the two republics.

He compared the federation to a human body.

''Both kidneys work independently of one another, and each kidney can function independently. But the heart cannot be divided,'' he said.

''If we divide the brain in two, we can have only a human being who is very dull and incapable of normal living. This is the same with the state.''

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DETROIT (NOV. 13) UPI - General Motors Corp. confirmed Tuesday it has ended contracts with six health maintenance organizations and blocked 20 others from enrolling more workers in an attempt to curb soaring health care costs.

This is the first time the giant automaker has taken such action, said Baech Hall, GM's director of health care plans, adding that GM is ''sending a message'' to those organizations that it is not happy with their performance.

The affected health insurers provide medical care for about 12,600 of 140,000 GM households. About 3,100 hourly and salaried workers were covered by six

HMOs that were either terminated by GM or allowed their contracts to lapse rather than meet GM's demands.

HMOs are health insurers that offer prepaid medical services to workers who must visit doctors and clinics that are part of the HMO's plan. That allows HMOs to charge lower rates than traditional insurers, which let employees choose their own doctors. But in recent years, HMO insurance premiums have risen sharply.

Last year, GM's health care cost per worker was $1,530, up from about $1,000 in 1986. GM's total health care costs now total about $3 billion, and add over $600 to the cost of each new vehicle it builds.

GM and the United Auto Workers union recently formed a joint effort to find ways to reduce health care costs, including endorsing ''national policy solutions'' - something which UAW President Owen Bieber has made repeated calls for.

Earlier this year, Chrysler Corp. suggested that it, GM and Ford Motor Co. form a large consortium to pressure health care companies into lowering their premiums. But GM and Ford rejected the proposal.

The nation's Big Three automakers expect health care costs to rise about 12 percent a year, or nearly twice the current rate of inflation.

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ROME (NOV. 13) UPI - Ing. C. Olivetti and Co., the Italian computer maker, plans to lay off 7,000 workers because of a turndown in the communications industry in Western countries, Minister of Labor Carlo Donat Cattin said Tuesday

Donat Cattin said the company headed by Carlo De Benedetti would fire 4,000 workers in Italy and 3,000 from its installations abroad, starting in the first three months of 1991.

The Labor Minister made his prediction in an address to a conference of European industrialists in Rome.

He said Olivetti would announce the lay-offs later Tuesday from its headquarters at Ivrea, near Turin in northern Italy.

The Olivetti company said there would be a meeting with labor union leaders late Tuesday to discuss the company's ''strategic plan'', but refused to make any predictions on the outcome.

Donat Cattin is currently involved in negotiations with three metalworkers'

unions for renewal of their work contracts, which expired more than six months ago. Last Friday 250,000 metalworkers from all over Italy marched through Rome to press their claims.

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#90317u1049 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 13) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev dispatched two senior diplomats to the Middle East on Tuesday to sound out Arab leaders on the chances of holding an Arab summit to avert war in the Persian Gulf.

The presidential mission coincided with Iraq's dispatch of envoys to Morocco and Libya, and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak's trip to Libya to assess the possibility of persuading Iraq to leave Kuwait, which it has occupied since Aug. 2.

Izvestia, the official government newspaper, said that Alexander Belonogov and Vladimir Petrovsky, both deputy foreign ministers, left for several Arab capitals.

Belonogov, former Soviet ambassador to the United Nations, will visit Yemen, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates while Petrovsky will go to Morocco and Tunisia, Libya and Algeria, Izvestia said.

Petrovsky's itinerary was to include meetings with leaders of the Palestine Liberation Organization, the newspaper said.

''The envoys are not planning to visit Iraq during the tour,'' it said.

Although the Soviet Union has lined up with the United Nations in imposing sanctions and condemning the Iraqi aggression, the key question of the use of military force against Baghdad has not been tested at the world body.

In Moscow last Friday, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze gave qualified approval to the use of force by conceding that it ''may become necessary'' to resort to arms to force Iraq to quit Kuwait.

The Soviet mission by Belonogov and Petrovsky was the second high- profile Kremlin diplomatic thrust into the Middle East in the past month.

Last month, Yevgeny Primakov, a Middle East expert and a member of Gorbachev's presidential council, twice met Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in a Kremlin shuttle that also took Primakov to other Arab states.

The Soviets retain close ties in the Arab world because of their past arming of Iraq in its war against Iran, their longtime backing of the Palestine Liberation Organization and even their ties with the area's pariah, Libya's Moammar Gadhafi.

But Gorbachev has openly called the gulf confrontation the first post-Cold War crisis and stressed that diplomacy, not military action, must be given full rein before force is used.

The Soviet Union has moved toward partnership with the United States during the conflict, with Secretary of State James Baker twice issuing policy statements on Iraq while in Moscow.

Under the ''new political thinking'' of Gorbachev and Shevardnadze, the Soviet Union has based its ties in the Middle East on diplomacy instead of military bullying and obstruction at the United Nations as in the past.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Andres Wines (2nd Q 9-30)	
c-$12,731,544	c-$13,457,934
$897,147 (.20)	$1,073,792 (.24)
Angelica Corp (3rd Q 10-27)	
$109,616,000	$95,186,000
$6,236,000 (.67)	$5,544,000 (.59)
Atkinson Guy F (3rd Q 9-30)	
$224,824,000	$193,183,000
$79,000 (.01)	d-$11,745,000
d-Deficit.	
Biocraft Labs (2nd Q 9-30)	
$21,901,000	$30,099,000
$1,689,000 (.12)	$3,879,0000 (.28)
Central Jersey Fncl (2nd Q 9-30)	
....	....
$513,000 (.40)	$515,000 (.41)
Citizens Utilities (3rd Q 9-30)	
$97,506,000	$90,866,000
$27,201,000 (.60)	$24,392,000 (.53)
Doskocil Cos (3rd Q 9-29)	
$99,119,000	$133,968,000

a-d-$5,760,000 d-$8,119,000
a-Includes a non-cash charge of $750,000 for loss on the sale of Golden Harbor Seafoods Inc. in the third quarter. The third quarter includes special charges of $3,444,000 related to the firms Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings.
d-Deficit.

E C I Telecom (3rd Q 9-30)
$19,350,000 $13,448,000
$3,919,000 (.56) $1,380,000 (.24)

Fabri-Centers (3rd Q 10-27)
$96,233,000 $85,930,000
$2,962,000 (.56) $2,785,000 (.54)

Lassonde Indus (3rd Q 9-29)
c-$26,133,000 c-$23,682,000
$973,000 (.15) $925,000 (.14)
c-Amounts in Canadian dollars.

L D B Corp (4th Q 7-31)
$17,448,000 $16,938,000
d-$2,108,000 d-$10,673,000
d-Deficit.
Marsh Supermkts (2nd Q 10-13)
$332,867,000 $298,538,000
$4,059,000 (.52) $3,333,000 (.43)

M E I Diversified (3rd Q 9-30)
$60,122,000 $43,672,000
d-$1,549,000 d-$2,629,000
d-Deficit.

Mercantile Stores (3rd Q 10-31)
a-$571,037,000 $554,686,000
$33,568,000 (.91) $34,125,000 (.93)
a-Results reflect credits to income tax expense of $3,400,000, or 10 cents a share for the quarter.

No Carolina Nat Gas (Year Q 9-30)
$128,539,000 $143,186,000
$7,441,000 (2.10) $8,058,000 (2.29)

Quebecor Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
c-$610,823,000 c-$436,711,000
$9,812,000 (.41) $5,450,000 (.23)

Smithfield Foods (2nd Q 10-28)
$265,721,000 $214,380,000
$5,180,000 (.72) $1,131,000 (.15)

T J X Cos (3rd Q 10-27)
$645,980,000 $563,456,000
$29,841,000 (.42) $29,559,000 (.42)

Trustco Bancorp (3rd Q 9-30)
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$3,908,000 (.39) $5,013,000 (.50)

United Thermal (3rd Q 9-30)
$12,143,000 $12,493,000
d-$5,412,000 d-$5,327,000
d-Deficit.

Uno Restaurant Corp (4th Q 9-30)
$15,769,000 $11,379,000
$1,180,000 (.15) $919,000 (.11)

Waban Inc (3rd Q 10-27)
$606,183,000 $513,480,000
$6,787,000 (.24) $6,271,000 (.22)

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BONN (NOV. 13) UPI - The government plans to cut spending, raise the public debt and reshuffle funds in next year's budget to pay for the rising costs of integrating the former East German state into the German economy, government sources said Tuesday.

Presenting the basic outline for the 1991 budget, Finance Minister Theo Waigel also reportedly told leaders of the government coalition parties that he expected Germany's gross national product to grow by 4 percent to 4.5 percent this year and by 3.5 percent in 1991.

The government's cabinet is expected to approve the budget outline Wednesday.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl's conservative-led government reiterated this week that taxes will not be increased to pay for the costs of rebuilding the shattered eastern German economy.

Sources close to budget talks held Tuesday said the government intends to cut public spending by $20 billion, borrow another $47 billion and shift money allocated for certain subsidies to cover other costs.

Since German economic and monetary union took effect July 1, eastern Germany has suffered skyrocketing unemployment, sinking productivity and general stagnation.

The government already has supplemented this year's budget three times, bringing it up to $260 billion with a record $44 billion in new government debt. Both figures are records.

In a move partly seen as a warning to the government to curb borrowing, the Bundesbank, the powerful central bank, recently raised the Lombard rate, a key German lending rate, half a percentage point.

With new federal borrowing seen coming in at $47 billion next year, the overall public-sector deficit, which includes borrowing by the 16 federal states and municipal governments, is expected to total between $93 billion and $100 billion.

At Tuesday's meeting, Kohl's Christian Democratic Union agreed with the Christian Social Union and the Free Democratic Party that next year's public debt should not exceed 5 percent of GNP.

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TORONTO (NOV. 13) UPI - Bayer AG will center its North American rubber business in Canada, the German-based international chemicals and health care company said Tuesday.

Bayer earlier this year acquired the Polysar Rubber Division of Nova Corporation of Alberta for $1.06 billion. The division, renamed Polysar Rubber Corp., is now part of Bayer's international rubber business group.

Polysar will be headquartered in Toronto with its main production and research facilities located in Sarnia, Ontario.

Global solid rubber capacities of Bayer and Polysar will add up to 836,000 tons a year.

Hermann J. Strenger, chairman of Bayer's board of management, said Polysar and Bayer were a perfect fit. He said Bayer is set to double its European market share, and make gains in North America and Asia.

Strenger said Bayer will invest $100 million in Polysar to further modernize the existing plants over the next three years, including improved process control and environmental protection measures.

''We are sure that it is to the benefit of both companies to join forces and we are convinced that our activities here will benefit Canada as well,''

Strenger said.

Bayer will concentrate all of its North American rubber chemicals, latices, adhesives and polymer additives business at Polysar.

Polysar employs 3,600 people at four plants - one in each Canada and the United States and two in Europe - where synthetic rubber is produced for use in tires, auto parts, footwear and industrial equipment.

Bayer is the fourth largest chemical company in the world with its international headquarters in Leverkusen, Germany. Global sales in 1989 were $23.21 billion.

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#90317u1085 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

MADISON, WI (NOV. 13) UPI - A state appeals court on Tuesday ruled unconstitutional a state subsidy program to help low-income Milwaukee children attend private schools. The Wisconsin 4th District Court of Appeals reversed a lower court ruling that found the controversial program constitutionally sound.

The appeals court said the state law providing for the subsidy was a local bill enacted as part of a multi-subject bill and as such violated the Wisconsin Constitution.

The Choice program, pushed by Gov. Tommy Thompson and praised by President Bush, applies only to Milwaukee. The program allowed up to 1,000 low-income students to enroll in private, nonsectarian schools.

For each participating student, $2,500 in state funds were diverted from the Milwaukee Public Schools to the participating private schools under a formula set by the Legislature. The statute was enacted April 27 as part of the biennial budget adjustment bill. The budget adjustment bill covered many other subjects.

"That circumstance raises the issue whether the Parental Choice law was a 'private or local bill' and therefore enacted in violation" of the state constitutional requirement for local or private bills to be considered as separate legislation, the court said.

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IRVINE, CALIF (NOV. 13) UPI - Engineering giant Fluor Corp. said Tuesday its Fluor Daniel unit and a Swiss firm, ABB Flakt Alpha, won a joint venture contract worth more than $200 million to build an automotive paint facility in Canada.

Fluor said the 750,000-square-foot plant, to be completed in early 1992, will be built next to Ford's car assembly plant in Oakville, Ontario, 25 miles west of Toronto. The assembly plant, which has an annual capacity of 226,000 vehicles, produces Ford Tempo and Mercury Topaz models.

Fluor said the construction and equipment installation work force was expected to reach 900.

Fluor, of Irvine, Calif., earned $106.2 million on $5.48 billion sales for the first nine months of this year and had a $9.5 billion backlog as of June 30. ABB Flakt Alpha is a unit of Zurich-based Asea Brown Boveri Group.

In a separate announcement, Fluor Daniel said it won a $14 million contract by Netherlands-based Nederlandse Aardolie Maatschappij B.V. for an oil and gas production complex 160 miles offshore on the Dutch Continental Shelf in the North Sea.

The work is expected to be completed late next year and employ 110 workers at its peak.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 13) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

Major potato markets: FOB shipping points, per hundredweight unless otherwise stated:

Round reds (100 lb sacks) Colorado 6.00-6.50. Minnesota-North Dakota 9.24-9.50.

Norkotahs and Burbanks (100 lb sacks, non- size A) Colorado 6.00-6.50, Idaho 6.25-7.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) Wisconsin 12.00- 14.00, Washington 15.00-16.00, Colorado 13.00- 16.00, Idaho 15.00-16.00, Oregon 14.00-16.00; (50 lb cartons, 100 count) Wisconsin 8.00-8.50, Washington 11.00-12.00, Colorado 10.00-13.00, Idaho 10.00-11.00, Oregon 10.00-11.00.

Round whites (100 lb sacks) Wisconsin 5.75- 6.25.

Colorado centennials (100 lb sacks, non-size A) 5.50-6.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) 9.00- 12.00, (100 count) 7.50-9.00.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (NOV. 13) UPI - Keeping tabs on threatening weather, engineers breezed through the shuttle Atlantis's blacked-out countdown Tuesday rigging the ship for launch Thursday night to carry a secret spy satellite into orbit.

With work at the launch pad on or ahead of schedule, the shuttle's five-man all-military crew planned to wrap up training at the Johnson Space Center in Houston and fly to the Kennedy Space Center Tuesday evening for final preparations.

While no technical problems were being "worked" at launch pad 39A, Air Force meteorologists predicted a 70 percent chance of rain and high winds Thursday that would force a launch delay. The odds are 50-50 for weather conditions that would permit a Friday launch try.

But if all goes well, Air Force Col. Richard Covey, 44, the commander, Navy Cmdr. Frank Culbertson, 41, the co-pilot, Army Maj. Charles Gemar, 35, Air Force Lt. Col. Carl Meade, 39, and Marine Corps Col. Robert Springer, 48, will blast off on the 37th shuttle mission Thursday night.

Launch originally was scheduled for mid July, but Atlantis was grounded by an elusive hydrogen fuel leak. At least two such leaks grounded the shuttle Columbia in May and September, but both spaceplanes have since been repaired and cleared for flight.

Among the family members who flew to the Kennedy Space Center to witness Atlantis's pyrotechnic launching was Gemar's wife, Charlene, who is expecting the couple's first child. NASA officials said earlier reports that she was close to delivery were unfounded.

As usual with such military missions, Atlantis's exact launch time will not be revealed until nine minutes before liftoff, ostensibly to hamper Soviet efforts to monitor the flight and glean details about the payload's ultimate orbit.

But sources who requested anonymity said takeoff is planned for 6:46 p.m. EST Thursday and that the flight is scheduled to last three days, 23 hours and 55 minutes, resulting in a touchdown at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., at 3:41 p.m. PST next Monday. The identity of Atlantis's hush-hush satellite payload is classified as well.

Aviation Week & Space Technology magazine reported last month that Covey and

company plan to launch a photo-reconnaissance satellite into an orbit that will allow Defense Department analysts to monitor activities in the Persian Gulf region.

Other space experts disputed that claim, saying Atlantis may be carrying an electronic eavesdropping satellite. Despite the uncertainty, the payload clearly is important and would appear to involve some sort of surveillance of the Persian Gulf.

NASA Administrator Richard Truly said in September that Atlantis was scheduled "to fly a crucial, particularly these days crucial, national security mission."

Atlantis's flight is the last fully classified Air Force shuttle mission left on NASA's launch manifest, a move that reflects a Pentagon shift away from the shuttle in favor of unmanned rockets like the Titan 4 that was successfully launched Monday night from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station. The move also will save some $80 million a year that was being spent on shuttle security operations.

While two more military shuttle flights are scheduled in 1991, the payloads of both have been declassified. The shuttle Discovery will carry four payload bay experiment packages into space in February to learn more about infrared sensor technology that may prove useful for detecting enemy missile launches or aircraft in flight.

An Air Force spokesman said the payload of a military shuttle flight planned for next summer is an early warning Defense Support Program satellite equipped with a large infrared telescope capable of detecting enemy missile launches. The Titan 4 launched Monday night was widely reported to have carried a "DSP" satellite into orbit.

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#90317u1176 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 13) UPI - President Bush has declined immediate comment on a call for Congress to debate a declaration of war in the Persian Gulf. The proposal comes from Indiana Republican Senator Richard Lugar who feels the debate might end what he feels is weakening world support for U-S policy in the gulf. Bush, questioned about the idea at the start of a Cabinet meeting, would only say- quoting now- ''We'll have more on that later.'' Lugar wants Bush to call Congress back from its current recess as a way of showing Iraq's Saddam Hussein that the U-S is serious about his getting out of Kuwait.

The Federal Reserve reports automobile production dropped four-point- five percent last month, making up about one-fourth of the overall decline for industrial production in October. The final reading was down eight-tenths of one percent with declines noted in the output of consumer goods, business equipment and materials. Production of big- ticket items, everything from

appliances to furniture, was also weak during October. And that's taken as another sign of a slowing economy.

Six Americans are among the 17 people who will be airlifted by helicopter from an offshore oil rig once Typhoon Mike pulls farther away from the Philippines. The storm is called the worst to hit the island nation in nine years. At least 14 people died and another 240-thousand were forced from their homes as winds up to 150 miles-an-hour hit parts of the Philippines. The winds eventually dropped to 100 miles-an-hour before Mike headed into the South China Sea.

The Supreme Court today let stand a ruling that in some circumstances, a state can legally consider as campaign contributions those costs incurred by a union in communicating election issues to its members. A teachers' union in Wisconsin had asked the high court to reject the interpretation, claiming it would restrict the freedom of speech of union members because the dollar amount that can be spent is limited.

On another issue, the Supreme Court vacated the order of a Louisiana court that said a mentally ill convicted murderer can be forced to take drugs to make him legally sane long enough to be executed. A new lower court hearing will take place in the case of Michael Perry, convicted of killing his mother, father, nephew and two cousins in 1983. The American Psychiatric Association feels Perry should NOT be executed, but should receive medication for treatment of his mental illness. And it wants his death sentence commuted to life in prison.

Family members say Marlon Brando's daughter tried to commit suicide for the second time in two weeks, but was found by her mother and taken to a hospital. The family says 20-year-old Cheyenne Brando tried to hang herself at her mother's house in Tahiti. The daughter has been charged with complicity in the murder of her boyfriend in Los Angeles. Prosecutors from the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office have been trying to subpoena Cheyenne to testify at the trial. Her half- brother Christian Brando is charged with murder. A new trial date is to be set on Monday.

There are indications that beta carotene- a building block of vitamin A- may be useful in treating heart and blood vessel disease. Researchers in Boston studied 333 patients with coronary artery disease who had NOT suffered heart attacks. They found that those who took beta carotene pills for about five years experienced about half as many heart attacks, strokes and seriously clogged arteries as those who got phony pills. Beta carotene is found in many common fruits and vegetables... including carrots, sweet potatoes, apricots, peaches and cantaloupes.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) UPI - The nation's Roman Catholic bishops considered a

proposed pastoral statement Tuesday urging more money for alcohol and drug treatment programs and criticizing the government's international anti-drug efforts.

"We are concerned that government at all levels exercise its responsibility for the coordination and provision of essential services to combat substance abuse," the proposed statement said.

"We commit ourselves to ongoing advocacy efforts to promote public policy and to enact legislation to ensure access to adequate, affordable and appropriate treatment and services for all those in need," it added.

The statement, "New Slavery, New Freedom," which was to be voted on late Tuesday afternoon, skirted the issue of legalizing drugs and remained silent on the Bush administration's much-touted effort to end drug abuse through harsher enforcement methods. Instead, the bishops's statement urged greater prevention and treatment efforts.

But the statement was critical of the federal government's interdiction efforts to reduce the flow of drugs from other countries, especially from Latin America.

"We share the deep concern of the (Catholic) church in the region over the increasing militarization of the U.S. drug program," the statement said. "Such programs may prove not only ineffective but counterproductive, potentially involving increasing U.S. military commitment within these countries.

"Rather than short-term, often futile, programs of crop eradication, which may do more harm to the peasant farmer and to a fragile environment than to the drug criminals, we favor effective programs of international cooperation for genuine economic development and other strategies to overcome the impact of drugs within both societies," the statement said.

Unlike the federal government's war on drugs, the bishops' statement linked abuse of both drugs and alcohol. It urged local Catholic churches to encourage responsible use of alcohol at all parish functions and activities.

"All parish efforts should flow from the faith-filled acknowledgement of our own sinfulness and from the healing power of the risen Christ mediated through the church community," the statement said. It argued that the whole nation is a casualty of substance abuse and chemical dependency.

"Besides the millions of individuals and families personally ruined by alcohol and drugs, the economic and social costs are immense," noting that besides the multibillion-dollar effort to eliminate illegal drugs and related street violence, about $100 billion is spent on medical treatment for complications arising from untreated alcohol and drug dependency.

The bishops also said the nation must address the root causes of drug abuse, citing a lack of jobs, poverty, inadequate education, a "lack of purpose and meaning" in people's lives, poor housing and powerlessness.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) UPI - Yields declined on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Tuesday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $10.08 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 7.05 percent, down from 7.07 percent last week and the lowest since Aug. 18, 1988, when the auction yielded 6.94 percent.

The Treasury also sold $10.01 billion of 26-week bills at an average of 7.02 percent, down from 7.05 percent last week and the lowest since July 11, 1988, when the yield stood at 6.99 percent.

The investment rate was 7.28 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,821.80 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26- week bill was 7.38 percent at $9,645.10.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Men who take aspirin after a meal and then drink liquor increase the effects of alcohol, a study reported Tuesday.

Charles Lieber, director of the Bronx Veterans Affairs Medical Center, said researchers working with others from the Alcohol Research and Treatment Center of New York's Mount Sinai School of Medicine studied five healthy men between 30 and 45, who were given breakfast either with or without two aspirin tablets.

An hour later, the men drank small glasses of orange juice containing around an ounce of alcohol. "Our data show that use of aspirin increases blood alcohol concentrations in men who have eaten," Lieber said.

Lieber said although the increase was small, "its implication could prove significant for individuals driving cars, operating machinery or engaging in any activity requiring a high degree of mental or motor coordination."

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SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (NOV. 13) UPI - Rebel attacks left one policeman dead and several police and civilians wounded in sporadic fighting in the capital and the Salvadoran countryside, the armed forces said Tuesday.

An army spokesman said one policeman was killed and three were wounded Monday when rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front ambushed a water truck in the town of El Congo, about 40 miles west of the capital.

Rebels bombed electricity transmission towers Monday night in San Salvador, wounding a civilian woman. Part of the capital was blacked out for hours after the bombings, the spokesman said.

Rebels also attacked security guards at a cafe in the town of Jucuapa, some 60 miles east of the capital. Three guards were wounded, the army said.

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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (NOV. 13) UPI - Imre Pozsgay, the one-time Communist reformer and maverick who played a key role in the dismantling of authoritarian rule, said Tuesday he hopes to establish an alternative political party for Hungarians unhappy with the country's new democratic leadership.

Pozsgay made the comment in an interview with United Press International three days after his surprise defection from the Hungarian Socialist Party, which he helped found a year ago after the ruling Communist Party voted itself out of existence.

''The time had become ripe for me to resign,'' said Pozsgay, who had been his party's vice president and leader of its parliamentary caucus. ''I was in the wrong place.'' Pozsgay said he now wants to organize a new national party of the political center center, which he hopes would be able to compete with Hungary's newly formed democratic parties in the next parliamentary elections four years from now.

The new party would be geared for Hungary's emerging middle class, which he said is not adequately represented by the Hungarian Democratic Forum, the senior party in the center-right coalition government, he said.

Pozsgay said there was little hope for a comeback in the near future for the Socialist party, which is tainted by its association with the Communist Party that ruled Hungary for four decades.

''It (Socialists) should have tried to supress its inferiority complex and the avenging spirit which kept cropping up'' in the last election, he said.

Pozsgay, as leader of the Communist Party's radical wing, played a critical role in Hungary's transition from authoritarianism to democracy. He publicly supported the founding of the Democratic Forum in 1987, and in January 1989 he broke from the party line by declaring that the 1956 anti-communist revolt was a ''popular uprising,'' not a counterrevolution.

Pozsgay also participated in round-table talks in the summer of 1989 that paved the way for the multi-party elections in March and April, Hungary's first democratic balloting in 43 years.

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HOLLYWOOD (NOV. 13) UPI - A trio of potentially strong box-office performers - ''Rocky V,'' ''Home Alone'' and ''The Rescuers Down Under'' - are slated to open this weekend to kick off the start of the Christmas film season.

MGM/UA's latest - and supposedly the final - in the ''Rocky'' series has been backed by a strong advertising campaign and is sure to draw many of the same fans who have been faithful to the previous quartet of films. The original ''Rocky'' grossed $117.2 million domestically and its successors have taken in $79.2 million, $122.8 million and $127.9 million.

Twentieth Century Fox's ''Home Alone,'' the latest John Hughes comedy, has already received good reviews and performed well during two sneak preview showings Saturday night at 1,109 screens with 85 percent of the theaters reporting full houses.

''Home Alone,'' which involves an 8-year-old accidentally left home while his family goes on vacation, will open in 1,200 theaters Friday, then expand by 400 on Dec. 14.

''The Rescuers Down Under,'' Disney latest animated feature, will include a short Mickey Mouse feature, ''The Prince and the Pauper.'' It will face competition from Warner's animated ''The Nutcracker Prince,'' opening Nov. 21, but analysts believe there is room in the Christmas market for two animated films.

A total of 18 major releases - three more than last year - have been scheduled for the Christmas season, including Fox's ''Predator 2,'' Warner's ''Bonfire of the Vanities'' and ''The Rookie,'' Paramount's ''The Godfather Part III,'' Tri-Star's ''Look Who's Talking Too'' and Universal's ''Kindergarten Cop.''

Should the raft of films perform well, the nation's box-office total could near last year's $5.03 billion record.

Moviegoers had paid more than $4.12 billion as of last weekend at the domestic box-office, Daily Variety reported Tuesday. The total at the same point last year was $4.19 billion, while in 1988, the total was at $3.69 billion.

The top 10 movies of the weekend, led by the horror sequel ''Child's Play 2,'' brought in $35.8 million, up 15 percent from the previous weekend's $31.1 million and 9 percent ahead of the year-ago weekend's $329 million.

For the week, the total domestic box office reached $68 million, off from $75.7 million for the year-ago week. The same week in 1988 drew $63.4 million.

Romance-mystery ''Ghost'' leads all films this year with $186.1 million in 18 weeks for Paramount and has an excellent shot at topping the $200 million mark by year's end. Disney's ''Pretty Woman'' trails with $178.3 million, followed by New Line's ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles'' at $133.1 million.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - An Army National Guard sergeant is suing the federal government, charging that his imminent deployment to the Middle East is in violation of the War Powers Act. 26-year-old Michael Ange lives in Boone, North Carolina, where he is studying criminal justice at Appalachian State University. He is assigned to a transportation unit at Fort Lee, Virginia, and is scheduled to ship out this week. But Ange's lawyers went to federal court in Washington today seeking a court order suspending his deployment until a hearing is held on the constitutionality of Operation Desert Shield.

A number of countries are mobilizing diplomats in a bid to arrange an Arab summit on the Persian Gulf. The latest is Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev who today dispatched two senior envoys to the Middle East to sound out Arab leaders on the chances for an Arab summit. The Soviet move comes as Iraq sent envoys to Morocco and Libya, and Egypt's president traveled to Libya to assess the chances of convincing Iraq to leave Kuwait.

The chief economist for the American Petroleum Institute says gasoline prices have stabilized. A-P-I economist Michael Canes says gasoline demand is down about three percent and oil companies are reluctant to raise prices for fear of further reducing demand. Canes says gas prices will be relatively stable- as long war can be avoided- even though oil companies have NOT yet passed along the full effects of oil price increases resulting from the Persian Gulf crisis.

It is one down... and one to go... for what have to be two of the worst-kept secret military launches from Cape Canaveral this year. The evening skies were lit up last night as an Air Force Titan 4 roared off the ground with what's reported to be a missile early warning satellite in the nose-cone. The launch was called ''picture-perfect.'' And it was viewed by technicians working nearby on Thursday's launch of the space Shuttle Atlantis. It is set to carry a spy satellite into an orbit that reportedly will leave it gazing down on the Persian Gulf.

A Wisconsin appeals court has reversed a lower court ruling that backed a state subsidiary program aimed at helping low-income children in Milwaukee. The state program would have let one-thousand low-income students in the

Milwaukee Public Schools attend private, NON-sectarian schools if the parents approved. The appeals court ruled against the program on a procedural question of whether it was a ''private or local bill'' that had to be considered as separate legislation.

A nominally independent black homeland recognized only by South Africa has showed its independence by hanging a convicted murderer. It is the first execution in South Africa this year. The execution in Bophuthatswana came despite pleas by human rights officials that the man sentenced to death in the 1987 murder of his girl friend had NOT exhausted all legal avenues to get a new trial.

The hanging also comes despite a moratorium on executions ordered by South African President Frederik de Klerk as part of racial reforms he announced in February.

The economic slowdown apparently is hitting the high-end world of art. A Vincent Van Gogh painting will be auctioned at Christie's gallery in New York tomorrow... but collectors are wondering if it will fetch the pre-sale evaluation price of up to 16-Million dollars. Art from the collection of the late Henry Ford the Second was sold at Sotheby's gallery yesterday for lower than expected prices.

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MIAMI (NOV. 13) UPI - Deposed Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega's high-profile defense team may have to quit or agree to become lesser paid court-appointed attorneys if they don't find a method of payment by the end of the week, a federal judge said Tuesday.

The decision made by U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler following a hearing in Noriega's drug-trafficking case could result in the former general losing his defense team and being assigned public defenders Friday.

All but one of Noriega's attorneys said they could not stay on the case if they were paid by the government, which allows for court-appointed counsel to receive about $75 an hour.

"I can't afford it," lead defense lawyer Frank Rubino said after the hearing. "I can't pay my overhead on $13,000 a month. My overhead is approximately $25,000 a month."

New York lawyer David Lewis also said it would be impossible for him to stay on the case for $75 an hour. Prominent defense lawyers command upwards of $250 an hour for their services. "If you take where the government has us right now it's like a mouse trying to shoot an elephant in the butt with a cannon," Lewis said.

Jon May vowed to stay with the general, regardless of what happens. "I will not give the U.S. government the victory of having me removed," he said.

Noriega, who surrendered to U.S. authorities following the Dec. 20 invasion of Panama, is in federal prison awaiting trial on drug-trafficking charges. His defense team said they would spend time this week trying to find a viable alternative to going on the government's payroll. Rubino said he had a couple of possibilities, but refused to divulge them until Friday's hearing.

The defense for months has been attempting to have some of Noriega's assets unfrozen so they could adequately prepare his defense and be paid in the process. Rubino and the others say they have worked for ten months without pay and the burden of doing that is beginning to affect their financial well being.

One possibility mentioned in court was for the defense to get access to at least part of the $5.8 million that was found at Noriega's home during the invasion.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael Sullivan said, however, that the $5.8 million was thought to be Panamanian government money and therefore was never considered to be included in the general's assets.

"The question was asked, 'Is that your money?' and the response was, 'No it is the government of Panama's money,'" Sullivan said. Noriega's other funds remain frozen in overseas bank accounts, which are not under the jurisdiction of the U.S. government.

In other developments, Hoeveler held a private hearing with attorneys in chambers after the public hearing. Lawyers would not reveal what was to be discussed, but Lewis said it involved sensitive information the government wanted from the general. "Essentially, they want more information than they're entitled to," he said.

The proceedings also were to include a hearing on the broadcasting by Cable News Network of tapes of telephone conversations between Noriega and his lawyers.

That matter was cleared up during an emergency hearing Monday when CNN agreed to refrain from airing any more of the tapes. The hearing was called because CNN defied a temporary injunction issued by Hoeveler last week prohibiting the network from airing any of the tapes.

Indictments returned against Noriega in Miami and Tampa in 1988 charge him with marijuana smuggling and providing a drug-trafficking and money laundering sanctuary for South American drug smugglers. If convicted in the Miami indictment, which also named 15 other defendants, Noriega would face a maximum penalty of 145 years in prison and a $1.1 million fine.

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LONDON (NOV. 13) UPI - Former Deputy Prime Minister Sir Geoffrey Howe delivered a scathing criticism Tuesday of Margaret Thatcher, accusing the prime minister of risking the future of Britain with her ''nightmare vision'' of the implications of European unity.

Political analysts viewed the speech as devastating for Thatcher and crucial to bolstering the prospects of Michael Heseltine, a former defense secretary who is expected to deliver a leadership challenge Wednesday.

Thatcher resists key tenets of the 12-nation European Community's moves toward political and economic union as poorly thought out and involving the ceding of too many sovereign powers. She has refused to include Britain in plans to have a single European currency by the year 2000.

Howe resigned on Nov. 1, and in keeping with parliamentary tradition, was allowed to explain on the floor without interruption his full reasons for ending his 11-year-old Cabinet career because of fundamental objections over Thatcher's stance on Europe.

The 16-minute address inspired gasps as the normally mild-mannered Howe openly questioned Thatcher, and suggested a leadership challenge was now appropriate.

''The time has come for others to consider their response to the tragic conflict of loyalty with which I myself wrestled for perhaps far too long,'' he said.

Howe disputed Thatcher's view of a united Europe being a centralized superstate, saying this was a ''nightmare image sometimes conjured up by my right honorable friend, who seems sometimes to look out from a continent that is positively teeming with ill-intentioned people, scheming, in her words, to extinguish democracy, to disolve our national identities, to lead us through a back door into a federal Europe.''

''What kind of a vision is that, for our business people who trade there each day, for our financiers who seek to make London the financial capital of Europe, for all of our young people of today?'' he asked.

He warned that the other EC nations would proceed without Britain, which risked isolation.

''The prime minister's perceived attitude towards Europe is running increasingly serious risks for the future of our nation,'' he said. ''It risks miminizing our influence and maximizing our chances of being once again shut out. We have paid heavily in the past for late starts and squandered

opportunities in Europe. We dare not let that happen again.''

Howe said he and former Chancellor of the Exchequer Nigel Lawson had nearly resigned five years ago over Thatcher's refusal to join the exchange rate mechanism. Thatcher only relented in late September, linking pound sterling to the floating basket of European currencies, but Howe said the belated entry was the cause of Britain having its current 15 percent inflation rate.

Howe also challenged Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major's plans to have a European currency gradually introduced, while national currencies remained, inferring in a cricketing analogy that Britain was destined to lose in negotiations with European countries.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 13) UPI - Sharp losses in soybean oil futures carried over to the soybean pit Tuesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Closing prices were sharply lower throughout the soy complex, and grain futures were moderately lower.

Trading was slow in soybeans until about midday when professional and commission house selling triggered an increase in activity. Several contract lows were established in soybeans, with January bottoming out at $5.75 per bushel.

Contract lows also were set in soybean oil which fell to its lowest level since early this year, while soymeal prices declined on profit-taking and sluggish trading overseas.

Corn futures were fractionally lower at the final bell in sympathy with the collapse in soybean prices. There was underlying support from light country movement and rumors the Soviet Union had bought up to 300,000 tons of corn. Egypt and Spain are expected to be in the market later this week for 500,000 tons of corn.

Wheat was lower across the board in quiet trading.

At the close, corn was off 1/2 to 1, soybeans down 4 1/2 to 10 3/4, wheat off 1/2 to 3 and oats down 2 1/4 to 3 1/4.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says there is NO need for Congress to re-convene to talk about the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Republican Senator Richard Lugar is urging that President Bush call lawmakers

back to Washington to talk about a possible declaration of war. But Fitzwater says any such declaration is- IN HIS WORDS- ''UNnecessary at this point. There is NO war.''

Lawyers for Army National Guard Sergeant Michael Ange are seeking a court order to prevent his deployment to the Middle East as part of Operation Desert Shield. Ange, of Boone, North Carolina, claims his scheduled deployment this week violates the War Powers Act because because President Bush has failed to notify Congress that U-S forces are entering hostile territory.

President Bush IS telling Congress that he has extended the legal authority for sanctions imposed against Iran 11 years ago to retaliate for the seizure of hostages at the embassy in Tehran. Recently, the administration has hinted that Iran could improve its U-S ties by helping to free American hostages in Lebanon.

A newspaper in Rome says branches of American universities in Florence and Bologna have received threats of terrorist attacks if U-S forces move against Iraq. The paper quotes UNidentified U-S Embassy sources who say they have asked Italian police to provide extra protection for students.

Czechoslovakia is discussing a plan that would divide the nation's two republics into five. A senior official close to President Vaclav Havel says the idea is gaining popularity as Slovak nationalists who want nearly total autonomy are threatening the survival of Czechoslovakia as a federal state.

Virginia state police have re-captured a convicted cop-killer and escape artist. Earlier this month in Florida, Merle Unger Junior made his eighth prison break in 15 years. Today he was caught after crashing a stolen car along Interstate 81 near Winchester, Virginia. He killed a Maryland officer in 1975.

Texas is reporting some good eonomic news. The state comptroller's office in Austin says the Longhorn State has chalked up its third straight year of economic growth since the oil bust recession of 1986. The figures show record high employment, with the most new jobs in Houston.

The U-S Geological Survey reports a light earthquake hit Charleston, South Carolina today... in the same area as a tremor that toppled the city more than a century ago. There are NO reports of damage or injuries from today's quake, measured at three-point-five on the Richter scale. It was centered just north of Charleston.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 13) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.65 1/4	2.65 1/2	2.62 3/4	2.63	2.65
Mar	2.80 1/2	2.88 1/2	2.77 3/4	2.78	2.80
May	2.88 1/2	2.88 1/2	2.85 1/2	2.85 3/4	2.88 1/2
Jly	2.92 1/4	2.92 1/4	2.90 1/2	2.90 3/4	2.93 3/4
Sep	2.97	2.97	2.97	2.97	2.97 1/2
Dec	3.07 1/2	3.07 1/2	3.07 1/2	3.07 1/2	3.09
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.31	2.32 1/4	2.30	2.30 1/4	2.30 3/4
Mar	2.41	2.40	2.39 3/4	2.40	2.40 3/4
May	2.48	2.48 1/2	2.40 1/2	2.47	2.47 1/2
Jly	2.53 3/4	2.54 1/4	2.52	2.52 1/4	2.53 1/4
Sep	2.52	2.53 1/2	2.51 1/2	2.50 1/2	2.52 1/4
Dec	2.53 1/4	2.53 1/2	2.52	2.52 1/4	2.52 3/4
Mar	2.59	2.60	2.58 1/4	2.58 1/2	2.59
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.15	1.15 1/2	1.12	1.12 1/4	1.14 1/2
Mar	1.26 1/2	1.27	1.23 1/2	1.23 3/4	1.26 1/4
May	1.32 3/4	1.33 1/4	1.30	1.30	1.32 1/2
Jly	1.38 1/2	1.39	1.35	1.35 1/4	1.38 1/2
Sep	1.41 1/4	1.41 1/4	1.41 1/4	1.41 1/4	1.45
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	5.73 1/2	5.73 3/4	5.63	5.63	5.71 3/4
Jan	5.87	5.87 1/2	5.75	5.75 1/2	5.86 1/4
Mar	6.00	6.01 1/2	5.89 1/2	5.89 3/4	6.00 1/4
May	6.13 1/2	6.15	6.03 1/2	6.03 3/4	6.14 1/2
Jly	6.25	6.26 1/4	6.15 1/2	6.16 1/4	6.25
Aug	6.27 1/2	6.27 1/2	6.18	6.18 1/4	6.25
Sep	6.18 1/2	6.18 1/2	6.11	6.09	6.16
Nov	6.15 1/2	6.16	6.11	6.11 1/4	6.15 3/4
Jan	6.22	6.22 1/2	....	6.22 1/4	6.26
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Dec	20.70	20.82	20.19	20.21	20.64
Jan	21.03	21.10	20.48	20.48	20.91
Mar	21.45	21.51	20.91	20.92	21.35
May	21.81	21.92	21.33	21.35	21.75
Jul	22.10	22.19	21.62	21.63	22.05
Aug	22.20	22.20	21.60	21.64	22.07
Sep	22.20	22.20	21.63	21.64	22.03
Oct	22.05	22.05	21.60	21.60	21.95
Dec	22.05	22.10	21.60	21.60	22.00

Jan	21.55	21.60	....	21.57	21.92

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	174.80	174.80	172.50	172.60	174.30
Jan	177.50	177.50	175.20	175.50	177.10
Mar	181.60	181.60	179.40	179.60	181.40
May	184.20	184.30	182.10	182.20	184.10
Jul	186.80	187.00	185.20	185.40	186.80
Aug	188.50	188.50	186.10	186.20	187.50
Sep	187.00	187.00	184.50	184.50	186.50
Oct	186.00	186.00	184.50	184.50	185.00
Dec	185.50	186.50	185.00	186.00	187.00
Jan	186.00	187.00	....	186.50	187.50

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BOGOTA, COLOMBIA (NOV. 13) UPI - A cocaine cartel claimed responsibility Tuesday for two kidnappings, bringing to nine the number of people held hostage in an effort to pressure the government for an amnesty and an end of extradition.

The Extraditables, the kidnapping and murder gang linked to the Medellin cocaine cartel, admitted it kidnapped the head of the state film promotion agency and her assistant last week off a Bogota street.

The two former journalists were the latest in a wave of kidnappings that includes that of seven other journalists, two of them from prominent families.

The Extraditables, in a letter to the former mayor of the city of Medellin, Juan Gomez, who has been trying to win release of the journalists, said it also had kidnapped Maruja Pachon and her assistant, Beatriz Villamizar.

The two were snatched ''in response to the tortures and kidnappings carried out recently in Medellin'' by police, said the letter made public by Gomez.

The group has alleged police have carried out kidnappings and tortured suspects. Police deny the allegations.

The Extraditables want a constitutional reform assembly that is to meet next year to prohibit the extradition of suspected criminals to other nations. It also has been pressuring the government for an amnesty.

President Cesar Gaviria has repeatedly refused to negotiate with cocaine traffickers. But he has offered reduced prison sentences and no extradition to those who turn themselves in.

The Extraditables in its letter said ''the offer extended by the government

has been converted into looting, torture, murder and massacres.''

''We have been asking for peace for eight years,'' it said. ''A lot of violence could have been avoided but we cannot remain indifferent waiting for the harsh touch of death at the hands of the police.''

It said the hostages would not be released until the violence by police was halted.

Among the kidnapped are Diana Turbay de Uribe, daughter of former President Cesar Turbay, and Francisco Santos, son of El Tiempo newspaper publisher Hernando Santos.

The government has said a faction of the Medellin cartel is holding the journalists, who also include German correspondent Hero Buss.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) UPI - The Food and Drug Administration Tuesday approved the first attempt to use gene therapy to fight cancer, clearing the way for the pioneering experiments to start before year's end.

Dr. Steven Rosenberg of the National Cancer Institute said the FDA action will enable him to try gene therapy "within four to six weeks" on three adults suffering from a deadly type of skin cancer called melanoma. About 25,000 Americans are stricken by melanoma annually, and once the fast-spreading cancer travels beyond the skin it is considered incurable.

"I'm very anxious to get this effort started. It is the first attempt to apply gene therapy to a common type of disease and I think the promise for gene therapy is substantial," Rosenberg said.

"Hopefully, it is the start of a new direction in ways to treat disease, but at the same time we have an immediate chance to impact on patients who have no other hope."

Rosenberg's team plans to insert a gene that codes for a tumor necrosis factor - a substance that has dramamtically shrunk tumors in mice - into special tumor-fighting immune cells removed from cancer patients, multiplied in the test tube and then returned to the patients' bodies.

It is hoped the genetically altered cells will migrate to patients' tumors and produce the tumor-shrinking factor in that area only. Doctors cannot give cancer patients high doses of tumor necrosis factor by traditional means because the substance circulates throughout the body and causes severe side effects.

The intial gene therapy test is designed to look only at the safety of the approach, not its effectiveness. But Rosenberg, who eventually plans to expand his study to 50 melanoma patients, has said he hopes the treatment will be effective.

Patients will first receive an infusion of three billion genetically altered cells - about equal to the amount of fluid it takes to fill a coffee cup. If that dose is well tolerated, patients will receive increasingly higher doses every three weeks for about 3 1/2 months until they reach the goal of 300 billion cells.

Rosenberg said he should be able to determine within one to two months after the regimen ends whether it has helped the patients. But the researcher, who is now working on inserting genes for other anti-cancer substances like interferon and interleukin 2 into the tumor-fighting cells, emphasized: "Whether this approach will work or not, I do not know."

On Sept. 14, another NIH research team headed by Dr. W. French Anderson undertook the first official attempt at gene therapy. Everything went smoothly during the procedure involving a four-year-old girl afflicted by an extremely rare inherited immune disorder. But researchers said they will not know if the treatment is working for at least six months.

Gene therapy has been hotly debated, with critics fearing such work could lead to ethically questionable attempts at genetic engineering. Although both attempts at gene therapy are aimed at treating relatively uncommon diseases, the work could pave the way for a new breed of treatments for a wide variety of illnesses.

Every person has about 100,000 genes that carry the blueprint for everything from eye color to the risk of developing disease. Gene therapy uses crippled viruses to put healthy genes into cells that contain defective genes or insert new genes that code for disease-fighting substances.

Last year, Rosenberg and Anderson inserted genes with no treatment value into the special cancer-fighting cells, called tumor-infilitrating lymphocytes or TILs, to help track where the cells went in a patient's body. The foreign genes produced no ill effects in the patients and survived at least two months in the patients' bloodstream and tumors.

In past experiments using unaltered TILs to treat about 75 patients suffering from lethal melanoma, about 40 percent of patients had their tumors shrink at least 50 percent and about ten percent had tumors completely go away for a while, Rosenberg said. One female patient has been completely free of cancer for more than a year, he said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Amid tight security, the Egyptian-born man accused of assassinating militant Rabbi Meir Kahane at a Manhattan hotel was whisked from Bellevue Hospital to court Tuesday for a hearing on murder charges.

Some 20 supporters of El-Sayyid Nosair, 34, gathered in Manhattan Criminal Court to await his appearance on charges stemming from the Nov. 5 shooting at the midtown hotel.

The gunman fled the hotel after killing Kahane and was wounded in a shootout on the street with a U.S. Postal Service police officer. Suffering from a bullet wound to the chin, he was admitted to Bellevue Hospital. He was arraigned in his hospital bed last week on charges of murder, attempted murder unlawful imprisonment, criminal possession of a weapon, and defacing a weapon.

Nosair, who was born in Egypt and was employed by New York City as a boiler repairman, was cleared for transport Tuesday from his hospital bed to court for a hearing on a possible indictment in the case. "He is being moved to court," said Vito Turso, spokesman for the city Corrections Department.

Dozens of court officers were stationed in the courtroom and throughout the hallways as reporters and Nosair's supporters, many wearing skull caps and prayer shawls, milled about waiting for the arrival of defense lawyer Michael Warren of Brooklyn. At about noon, the supporters left the courthouse to pray at a nearby mosque on Warren Street.

Nosair, who is married and became a naturalized U.S. citizen in 1989, is accused of killing the radical Israeli who advocated driving all Arabs out of Israel. He is accused of pumping bullets into Kahane during a question-and-answer session at a conference on Zionism.

As the gunman fled the Marriot Marquis East hotel, an audience member, Irving Franklin, 73, tried to stop him and was shot in the leg. The gunman then commandeered a taxi driven by Franklin Garcia, then fled the cab and was wounded in a shootout with Postal Police Officer Carlos Acosta, who was shot in the arm.

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PASADENA, CA (NOV. 13) UPI - The world's fastest and most powerful computer, a custom-designed machine capable of 32 billion operations per second, will be housed at Caltech next spring, it was announced Tuesday.

Caltech, as the head of a consortium of 14 U.S. research institutions, said the computer, designed in a research project between Caltech and by Intel Corp., is known as the Touchstone Delta System.

The Concurrent Supercomputing Consortium plans to use the computer for a variety of projects, including modeling global climate changes and chemical reactions, visualization of data from spacecraft, and military research.

"The types of computational problems being tackled by consortium members led us to a unanimous decision," said Paul Messina, executive director of the consortium. "We needed more computing power than anyone has ever harnessed."

Specific projects could include better defining key environmental issues, such as deforestation, the greenhouse effect from carbon dioxide build-up and ozone layer depletion and the modeling of molecular processes in natural and contaminated systems to better understand the behavior of contaminants in the environment.

Thomas A. Prince, chairman of the policy board that will manage the computer, said, "This level of power gives us the ability to investigate some of today's most intriguing scientific questions."

The new machine, due to begin operations this spring at the Caltech campus in Pasadena, will use parallel processing, which links together high-speed computer chips through a communications network.

High-speed computers are key to the development of major research projects because they allow scientists to consider billions of pieces of data that may change from second to second.

The deal is a major triumph for Intel, which has been trying to make a name for itself in high-performance computers, an area dominated by other companies such as Cray Research Inc.

The basic research at Caltech and the development of the prototype systems at Intel, based in Santa Clara, Calif., were funded through the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency.

Some of the other institutions involved in the consortium are NASA, the National Science Foundation, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, and Purdue University.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) UPI - Senators are mounting a bipartisan call for a special session of Congress to debate U.S. involvement in the Persian Gulf, but the White House rejected as unnecessary a call by Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., for what would amount to a declaration of war against Iraq.

Lugar, the No. 2 ranking Republican member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, contended there has been an erosion of support for U.S. policy in

the Persian Gulf because the U.S. position had not been clearly articulated.

Lugar declined to call the congressional vote he is seeking a declaration of war but said it should have the same effect. "It occurs to me what we really want is an authorization for the president to act. Other members of Congress may want to name it something else," Lugar told reporters.

But pressed again as to whether his desire was, in effect, a declaration of war, Lugar said, "That's correct. One outcome of this may be war. I think the best possibilities for peace come from certainty (and) clarity at this point of what we are doing as opposed to mistakes, miscalculation, stumbling into conflict - declared or undeclared, authorized or unauthorized - down the trail."

Lugar said a vote would show the world that Congress and the White House are of one mind for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait.

"Our position is that this (a declaration of war) is unnecessary at this point. There is no war. We want to do everything to avoid it," White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said.

"We want consultations with Congress. We continue to rely on the economic sanctions and military pressure for convincing Saddam Hussein to leave Kuwait " Fitzwater said.

But Fitzwater said Lugar's viewpoint assumes military action. "It supposes a war we hope does not occur. We are working for the implementation of the sanctions. We want to resolve this matter peacefully. So the question he (Lugar) raises on a declaration of war is hypothetical at this point," Fitzwater said.

Senate Republican leader Robert Dole met with Bush at the White House and urged him to call a special session before the end of the year to hold a discussion and stop the free-lance criticism, according to a spokesman.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell, said, "If the president has made a decision to undertake offensive military action ... that would require a meeting of Congress to act ... to accept or reject." The Senate Democratic leader said the Constitution is "clear, implicit and unmistakable" in saying that only Congress can declare war.

Lugar said one of his objectives is to stem a perceived weakening of support around the world for the U.S. gulf policy. A USA Today poll published Tuesday indicated Bush is losing public support. Of 615 Americans interviewed Monday, 51 percent said they approve of how Bush is handling the crisis, down from 82 percent in an Aug. 20 poll. As for the recent deployment of additional troops, 38 percent said they approved, down from 51 percent in August.

Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., on NBC's "Today" program, said Lugar's suggestion for congressional involvement has merit, but said Bush must answer three questions before Congress can make any decision about war.

"Before Congress is going to be able to make a decision, however, the president has to define why Kuwait is vital to our national interest," said Nunn, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

"He also must define why the embargo is not working in his view ... and he's got to explain to some of us on the defense committee how we're going to be able to sustain that large amount of manpower and still carry out our other missions around the world," the Georgia Democrat said.

Lugar conceded there was a chance, should Congress be called back from its recess, that members would reject any proposal to authorize military action in advance. But he said that "tragic" risk should be taken because "it's better to know that now" rather than have a political confrontation and debate in the middle of a military action.

Lugar's comments follow by a few days the announcement that additional forces are being sent to Saudi Arabia to put the United States in the position of being able to mount an offensive against Saddam if necessary. There are now more than 230,000 U.S. troops in the region and the newest additions are expected to swell the ranks to about 400,000.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) UPI - Top Bush Administration trade and agricultural officials said Tuesday the ongoing round of global trade talks are mired in a stalemate over agriculture and warned the negotiations could end in failure.

''I am concerned at where we find ourselves. We have a stalemate as regards to agriculture,'' U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills told reporters as she prepared to depart on a whirlwind lobbying trip to Bonn, Brussels and Geneva.

''I am prepared to talk and talk and talk,'' Hills said. ''These are difficult times and very difficult negotiations.''

The crucial trade talks, four years in the making, are scheduled to wind up early next month in Brussels, Belgium. But a stalemate over agricultural reform threatens to scuttle other aspects of the negotiations.

Agricultural talks at the Geneva-based General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade broke off over the weekend after negotiators from the United States and 14 other farm-exporting nations found a European Community agricultural offer unacceptable.

The 12-member EC had proposed to reduce agricultural subsidies and supports by 30 percent from 1986 levels. The United States, however, has called for a 75 percent cut in internal price supports and a 90 percent reduction in export subsidies.

Negotiators hope to hammer out an acceptable proposal before the Dec. 3 meeting of trade ministers in Geneva.

''The problem is not time. The problem is political will,'' Hills said. ''Clearly agriculture in Europe is a fortress with the thickest and highest walls you can imagine.''

In a strongly worded speech written for delivery to a London audience, Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter said unless the European Community substantially improves its offer on agricultural reform, world trade talks will end in failure.

If that happens, Yeutter said, trade conflicts are bound to intensify as nations try to protect themselves and their farmers.

''Is this just a scare tactic by the Americans? No, it is a realistic appraisal of where the Uruguay Round now stands,'' Yeutter said. ''What will it take? A much improved EC offer on agriculture.

''Without substantial - much beyond the present EC proposition - ag reform, there will be no GATT agreement.''

Yeutter and Hills both reiterated the U.S. position that no agreement is better than a bad agreement.

In his remarks, prepared for delivery to the Royal Institute of International Affairs, Yeutter faulted the EC's proposal as a ''self- centered and timid approach'' to trade reform that failed to comprehend the mood of other exporting nations.

''We will not, we cannot, stand idly by as our farmers lose international markets and their share in global prosperity because of unfair barriers to trade and indefensible internal supports,'' Yeutter said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - IBM Tuesday added to its line of enhancements for supercomputers with four ''extensions'' that it said resulted from the requirements of a limited number of technical customers.

The computer giant said the developments will include the ability to boost to 24 the number of processors that can work on the same problem at the same time

an operation known as parallel processing.

In addition, a development called Supercomputing Visualization Enhancement allows animation and rapid inspection of large, supercomputer-generated images.

A third enhancement provides large-capacity, high-performance disks matched to the requirements of technical computing, while the fourth development improves communications between large systems and work stations.

''These new extensions aim at the next generation of supercomputing,'' said David Wehrly, director of the high performance/supercomputing systems development laboratory at IBM's data systems division.

''Only a few users can use these capabilities right now. However, the collaboration process, based on real customer environments, will refine and shape our technology so that it supports the application requirements of our supercomputing customers as they evolve over the next two, three, four years.''

Supercomputers are used for scientific research and design and have been taken up in recent years by industries including pharmaceuticals, aerospace and petroleum.

They were formerly defined as simply the fastest processor of the moment, but IBM challenged that definition, saying in a statement that supercomputing has now developed into an environment of interrelated systems and applications composed of high-performance processors, high- speed communications, very fast memories, advanced workstations, and other features.

The industry is driven, IBM said, by major ''grand challenge'' scientific projects and by applications such as fluid dynamics and structural analysis in the design of aircraft and autombiles and seismic analysis for the oil industry.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 13) UPI - The U.S. Air Force has withheld $240 million in payments to The Boeing Co. because of problems on a contract to produce an air defense system for Saudi Arabia, according to a defense industry newsletter published Tuesday.

The Air Force also is ''seriously considering'' terminating Boeing's contract, which is three or four years behind schedule, according to the latest issue of Defense Week, published in Washington.

The U.S. government is overseeing the project for the Saudis, a common arrangement when a foreign government does business with a U.S. defense contractor.

Boeing spokesman Don Brannon acknowledged the troubled ''Peace Shield'' program is behind schedule, but said the company is discussing possible solutions with the Air Force.

''I'm not in a position to talk about what those solutions might entail,'' Brannon said. ''But we have made some definite progress and we've turned the corner on the technical problems.''

Brannon said ''the hardware aspect'' of the program is in ''pretty good shape'' but said problems with software were causing delays. He added that software problems are ''endemic'' throughout the defense industry.

Boeing is the prime contractor and has between 400 and 500 employees working on the $1.18 billion project, which also has about half a dozen major subcontractors, Brannon said.

The Boeing program is part of a larger $3.7 billion contract to produce a state-of-the-art defense system for Saudi Arabia, which Brannon said will be ''the most capable in the world'' when it is completed.

Boeing's contract entails building a ground-based network of 17 radar sites, five ''sector'' command centers and one central command headquarters for the Royal Saudi Air Force.

Problems with the system have no bearing on the current Desert Shield operation stemming from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait because the new system was not intended to be fully operational until April 1991.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	382.00	off 3.00
Morning fixing	383.20	up 1.20
Afternoon fixing	380.70	off 1.30
Close	383.25	up 1.25
Paris	384.26	up 2.26
Zurich	383.50	up 1.50
Hong Kong	383.75	up 0.80
New York		
Comex spot close	386.00	up 3.70
Republic cash	385.75	up 4.00
Handy and Harman	383.50	up 2.80

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 384.80 up 2.80 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 404.04 up 2.94.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.212	up 0.007
Republic cash	4.23	up 0.03

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.215 per fine ounce up 0.015

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.235 up 0.020 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.531 up 0.021

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 419.00 up 9.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 519.00 up 9.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 95.00 up 1.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 110.00 up 1.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 8 to 17 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	10.13	10.33	10.09	10.32	10.15
May	10.09	10.22	10.03	10.20	10.09
Jly	10.06	10.20	10.05	10.18	10.08
Oct	10.08	10.18	10.05	10.18	10.08
Mar	10.00	....	....	10.09	10.01

Estimated sales: 23,447 contracts

Open interest: 108,284 off 3,324

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.35

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday unchanged to 2 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.17	23.18	23.16	23.18	23.20
Mar	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.16	23.17
May	23.24	23.24	23.23	23.23	23.24
Jly	23.24	23.24	23.23	23.23	23.24

Sep	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.21
Nov	23.05	23.05	23.05	23.05	23.05
Jan	23.10	....	....	23.01	23.01

Estimated sales: 84 contracts
Open interest: 11,597 up 141

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(NOV. 13) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Barr Labs (1st Q 9-30)	
$18,785,000	$15,166,000
$348,000 (.05)	d-$792,000
d-deficit.	
Betomaso Indus (3rd Q 9-30)	
$43,674,339	$78,159,420
d-$8,956,522	d-$4,957,375
d-Deficit.	
Enscor Inc (3rd Q 9-30)	
c-$16,900,000	c-$1,100,000
a-d-$7,200,000	d-$77,000
a-Includes pre-tax writedowns totalling c- $17.5 million.	
c-Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
d-Deficit.	
Global Nat Res (3rd Q 9-30)	
$17,760,000	$10,447,000
$300,000 (.01)	$168,000 (.01)
Greyvest Fncl (3rd Q 9-30)	
c-$11,000,000	c-$10,901,000
$1,301,000 (.09)	$1,413,000 (.10)
c-Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Healthco Intl (3rd Q 9-30)	
$112,693,000	$105,037,000
d-$1,039,000	$3,053,000 (.38)
d-Deficit.	
May Dept Stores (3rd Q 11-3)	
$2,372,000,000	$2,276,000,000
$90,000,000 (.67)	$74,000,000 (.52)

Minven Gold (3rd Q 9-30)
c-$14,038,008 c-$14,830,700
$263,340 (.01) $1,111,447 (.05)

Natl Media (2nd Q 9-30)
$39,086,200 $19,366,300
$1,436,800 (.13) $1,067,600 (.08)

Pamida Holdings (3rd Q 10-28)
$159,468,000 $153,177,000
a-$463,000 (.03) $1,187,000 (.18)
a-Includes a non-recurring expense of $428, 000.

Par Technology (3rd Q 9-30)
$20,233,000 $21,051,000
a-d-$8,800,000 $452,000 (.06)
a-Includes a one-time charge of $8.9 million to establish additional reserves for inventories, receivables, potential tax liabilities, and various operating expenses associated with the Point-of-Sale business.
d-Deficit.

Petroleum Equip Tool (3rd Q 9-30)
$12,907,000 $8,808,000
$1,136,000 (.07) d-$1,205,000
d-Deficit.

Ramsey Health Care (1st Q 9-30)
$40,093,000 $36,734,000
$717,000 (.05) a-$957,000 (.06)
a-Includes an after-tax gain of $450,000 from the sale of property.

Sigma Aldrich (3rd Q 9-30)
$133,265,000 $115,888,000
$17,977,000 (.72) $16,383,000 (.66)

Sonesta Intl Hotels (3rd Q 9-30)
$14,888,000 $13,282,000
d-$809,000 d-$1,047,000
d-Deficit.

Va Beach Fedl Svgs (3rd Q 9-30)
....
$581,000 (.12) $5,279,000 (1.06)

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MONTREAL (NOV. 13) UPI - Quebecor Inc. reported Tuesday third quarter earnings of $8.34 million, or 35 cents a share, up 80 percent from $4.63 million, or 20 cents a share, in the year earlier.

Revenues jumped to $519.2 million from $371.2 million in the third quarter of 1989.

The increases reflect the inclusion of results from last February's acquisition of printing plants from Maxwell Graphics in the United States.

Earnings for the first nine months increased to $56.3 million, or $2.39 a share, up from $15.5 million, or 65 cents a share, in 1989. Revenues increased to $1.48 billion from $1.10 billion in 1989.

Quebecor said increased earnings in its printing and publishing divisions more than offset losses at Mircor Inc., its forest products holding company.

Quebecor is a communications company with interest in printing, publishing and forest products. Quebecor Group Inc. publishes a number of daily newspapers in Canada including Le Journal de Montreal, The Winnipeg Sun and The Sherbrooke Record.

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#90317u1524 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Gold futures closed Tuesday 370 to 400 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	....	....	....	386.00	382.30
Dec	384.00	387.50	383.80	387.00	383.33
Feb	388.00	391.30	387.50	390.70	387.00
Apr	391.00	394.10	391.00	394.20	390.40
Jun	395.90	397.80	395.90	398.00	394.20
Aug	....	....	....	401.50	397.70
Oct	....	....	....	405.30	401.50
Dec	407.20	409.00	407.00	409.10	405.20
Feb	....	....	....	413.30	409.40
Apr	....	....	....	417.30	413.30
Jun	420.60	420.60	420.60	421.60	417.60
Aug	....	....	....	426.20	422.20

Open interest: 112,254 up 66.

Estimated sales: 26,000 contracts.

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#90317u1551 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - The mayors of 35 major cities wound up a three-day urban summit Tuesday, declaring the "fate of the nation is joined to the fate of its cities."

New York Mayor David Dinkins, who read a three-page statement on behalf of the mayors, called for a new era of cooperation between businesses and city governments to ensure the survival of the nation's urban centers.

With some 20 mayors standing on the podium behind him, Dinkins said their objective is to "reclaim the place of our cities as the center of our civilization (and to) forge new partnerships with business and labor, with our suburban neighbors and with government at all levels."

"Through the taxes our citizens pay, the ideas we offer and the problems we solve, America's cities provide our nation's vision and its opportunity," the mayor told the news confrence at the Sheraton Centre Hotel in midtown, where the meeting was held.

"We seek a fairer balance of resources and responsibilities," he said. The federal government has "burdened" cities with legislation that requires heavy municipal spending.

Dinkins said cities have "absorded the migration caused by the farm crisis, and restructured the economy to cope with the decline of our manufacturing industries."

A joint statement put out by the mayors said they will "convene a national summit meeting with business leaders in 1990 to identify key areas for cooperation" between the public and private sectors.

Other mayors joined in Dinkins' call for a new emphasis on promoting economic growth in the nation's urban centers. "We must focus on the strength of industrial cities and highlight how important they are to America's economy," said Raymond Flynn, mayor of Boston. He called for "competetive self-help proposals" including "tax laws for creating jobs."

Tom Bradley, mayor of Los Angeles, said the cities offer the nation "entertainment, culture, jobs." "Over time the role of the city has been forgotten," he said. "If we don't save our cities, we shall not save our nation."

John Norquist, Milwaukee's mayor, saidm "Cities in other countries in the world are more valued." He said the cities should be given greater consideration in this country because "they are the market place, the culture place, not suburban cultures like McDonald's and other fast food sellers."

New Orleans' Mayor Sidney Barthelmy, said, "There's enough money to fight drugs in the city but we're sending the money to state capitals." He scoffed

at recent claims the war on drugs had been won, declaring, "We haven't won it."

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#90317u1562 11/13/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will have to tip his hand this week on how intensive his nuclear weapons ambitions are, administration officials said this week.

On Thursday, the U.N. International Atomic Energy Agency, is scheduled to make its annual inspection of the bombed-out Osirak nuclear reactor, destroyed in an Israeli bombing raid in 1981. In the wreckage of the reactor building are some fuel rods containing about 25 pounds of enriched uranium, enough for a small nuclear weapon.

Each year, Iraq has permitted IAEA inspectors to visit the site to make sure that the fuel rods are still there. They are due to inspect again on Nov. 15.

One official said, "If the inspectors are denied permission to enter, it will be a dramatic event, suggesting that Saddam is accelerating his project to build a nuclear weapon."

One former official, who has had access to intelligence information, said that the various agencies differ about when Saddam will have a nuclear weapon: in one year, two years or five years. But the intelligence assessments are agreed in believing that he is intent on developing his own nuclear weapon capability which would include ballistic missiles to deliver the weapons.

One expert, speaking on the basis of no attribution, said, "There is remarkably wide agreement in the world that Saddam Hussein can't be allowed to remain in control of weapons of destruction."

The official said, "That means we must be involved in a kind of discrimination denying Saddam the kinds of weapons that Israel has - acknowledging that Saddam with nuclear weapons is a scarier proposition than Israel is, even to the Arab world."

The official continued that the way to stop Saddam in the long run is an effective non-proliferation agreement, but that can't come about until there is some real progress in the Arab-Israeli dispute, which could take years.

Therefore, the expert said, "You are left with two alternatives: The Gerald Bull method, or taking Saddam out of power with tanks and planes."

Gerald Bull was the Canadian artillery expert who was killed by six bullets in the back of his neck in Brussels last year. Robbery has been ruled out as a motive, since nearly $20,000 in cash was found on his body and the gun that fired the shots was apparently fitted with a silencer. At the time of his

death, Bull was working on an Iraqi contract for a "super-gun," a huge cannon designed to fire projectiles hundreds of miles.

The expert said, "I assume most people would prefer another method, but that means the use of military power to remove him from power before Iraq becomes a nuclear power."

A recent publication by the Carnegie Endowment for Peace, "Nuclear Ambitions," by Leonard Spector, said, "There is growing consensus, based on strong circumstantial evidence, that the hidden objective behind Iraq's expansion of its nuclear sector in the 1970s was the gradual acquisition of a nuclear weapons capability.

"The capability was presumably intended to advance three primary objectives: To counter Israel's existing, but unacknowledged nuclear arsenal; to advance President Saddam Hussein's claim to Arab leadership; and to hedge against Iran's nuclear potential."

In the closing days of the eight-year war with Iran, Iraq set back the Iranian nuclear project indefinitely by repeatedly bombing the main Iranian nuclear research and power-generating installations.

Some of the circumstantial evidence mentioned in the Carnegie study is new evidence that Iraq has obtained 26 gas centrifuges, which can be used to enrich nuclear fuels to weapons-grade purity. There is new evidence that Iraq was trying to import the kind of special metals required for the centrifuges, suggesting that the Iraqis are planning to start building their own enrichment plant.

A rough rule of thumb is that 1,000 centrifuges, working for one year, can produce enough nuclear material for one bomb.

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#90317u1570 11/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.80

60 to 89 days 7.93

90 to 119 days 7.74

120 to 149 days 7.65

150 to 179 days 7.57

180 to 270 days 7.49

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.80 - 7.60

Issuers 30 days 7.73

Issuers 90 days 7.78

Issuers 270 days 7.44

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.86

60 to 89 days 8.05

90 to 119 days 7.96

120 to 149 days 7.90

150 to 179 days 7.89

180 days 7.88

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.75 - 7.875

1 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

3 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

6 month 7.875 - 8.00

Year 7.875 - 8.00

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.05 - 7.03

6 months 7.04 - 7.02

Year 6.84 - 6.82

Federal Funds: High 7 11-16, Low 7 5/8, Close 7 11-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.634 off 0.051.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90317u1571 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Sacramento Kings Coach Dick Motta was suspended without pay for one game and fined $500 Tuesday by the NBA for bumping an official.

Motta bumped referee Pete Quinn during Saturday night's 93-88 loss to the New York Knicks. He will sit out Sacramento's Thursday night home game against the San Antonio Spurs.

''Any time a player or coach intentionally bumps an official, it's an automatic suspension,'' said Rod Thorn, the NBA's vice president of operations.

The bumping incident came with 2:13 left in the third period after Sacramento's Lionel Simmons was called for a charging foul. Motta was ejected after arguing with Quinn.

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#90317u1589 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

SANTA MONICA, CA (NOV. 13) UPI - The college enrollment rate of young blacks is stagnating, not slipping, as recent reports have suggested, a study has concluded.

The study released Monday by the Rand Corp. also found that if black youths are to regain the rapid and large enrollment strides they made before the mid-1970s, they must have special attention - in early schooling, when they get ready to decide whether to go to college and once they are there.

The study, titled "Trends in Postsecondary Enrollment of Minorities," was aimed at clarifying "seemingly inconsistent" research results about minority college enrollment, its author and Rand researcher Daniel Koretz said.

Some have seen a decline in black enrollment and attribute it to an array of social and economic problems that especially affect young black males. Other surveys and reseach data have failed to detect any such trend. In fact, according to Koretz, "the trend in the total number of black male students of all ages is simply unclear."

The most striking change in college enrollment rates over the past 15 years occurred among white women, the only group that has been enrolling in college at a continuously rising rate.

The study found that black youths, after increasing their numbers rapidly on college campuses in the years prior to the mid-70s, are currently stuck on an "extended, college entrance plateau."

The proportion of all 18- to 24-year-old blacks in college is currently the same - 20 to 22 percent - as it was in the mid-70s, with the rate for men remaining steady and rate for women one or two percentage points higher.

What is discouraging, the study said, is that more blacks are graduating from high school. Despite that, the proportion of young black high school graduates in college has dropped 3 percentage points since the mid-70s.

Several factors apparently contribute to the failure of black high school graduates, though better prepared than in early years, to enroll in college. For one, ethnic differences in academic performance are still quite large, though strides have been made, the study said. Also, not enough attention is being paid to difficulties facing minority students before, often well before, they get ready to enter college.

In addition, not enough information is known about why black high school students chose or chose not to attend college. "What happens to these 'able' minority students?" Koretz asked. "Do they just give up, is college too expensive? We just don't know enough about the decisions these kids are making."

Koretz said more study is needed to determine whether colleges and universities are making the same efforts at minority recruitment that they did prior to 1975, when black enrollment began leveling off.

Also, a rising number of black youths who attend college for a year are leaving before graduation. The attrition problem suggests a "pressing need for additional programs ... to support minority students once they begin their studies in college," the study said.

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#90317u1604 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	65 1-2	off 1 1-4
AT&T Company	33 1-8	off 3-4
BCE Inc	34	unch
Bell Atlantic	53	off 1 1-2
BellSouth Corp	53 1-8	off 1 3-8
Exxon Corp	50	off 1-4
Ford Motor Co	28 1-2	unch
Genl Electric	55 3-8	unch
General Motors	39	up 1-4
GTE Corp	28 7-8	off 1-4
IBM Corp	112	off 1
Mobil Oil Corp	58 3-4	off 5-8
Nynex Corp	71	off 1-2
Pac Gas & Elec	24	off 3-8
Pacific Telesis	46	off 5-8
Phila Electric	16 5-8	off 1-4
Sears Roebuck	26 3-8	off 1-4
Southern Co	26 3-8	off 3-8
Sthwestern Bell	53	off 1
US West Inc	37 1-4	off 5-8

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 3 to 148 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	72.70	74.35	72.70	73.87	72.39
Mar	73.05	74.15	73.05	73.66	72.67
May	73.75	74.45	73.70	73.85	73.32
Jly	74.00	74.45	74.00	74.00	73.52
Oct	67.75	....	....	67.83	67.80
Dec	65.60	65.95	65.55	65.60	65.50
Mar	66.00	....	....	66.35	66.30

Estimated sales: 6,500 contracts

Open interest: 45,132 up 123

The World spot average: 69.55

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1034.8
Monday	1027.7
Week ago	1031.7
Month ago	1052.3
Year ago	1089.1
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1025.5

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#90317u1637 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2535.40	off	4.95
20 Trans	867.79	up	1.11
15 Utils	209.07	off	3.02
65 Stocks	889.57	off	3.02

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#90317u1641 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 13) UPI - Gennady Gerasimov, the glib ''voice of glasnost'' who as Foreign Ministry spokesman gave the Soviet government a human face, has been appointed ambassador to a European nation, Tass said Tuesday.

The official news agency said Vitaly Churkin, a close aide to Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, is slated to replace Gerasimov. The boyish looking Churkin is himself no mean master of the quick comeback.

Asked in May 1986 by a congressional panel in Washington to explain ''in layman's terms'' what went wrong in the Chernoybl disaster, Churkin shot back he would do so ''if you can explain in layman's terms what went wrong with the Shuttle Challenger.''

The delay in naming the country to which Gerasimov was being posted raised speculation whether he was being rewarded and promoted or being removed from the center stage in which he has reveled.

''There will be a change, but we don't know exactly what,'' an aide said for Gerasimov, who was not immediately available for comment.

If the English-speaking Gerasimov ends up as envoy to Great Britain, the transfer could be viewed as a promotion of sorts, but the aide could not confirm Gerasimov would be the envoy to London. Some other shift would have to be interpreted as a demotion of the droll Gerasimov.

Gerasimov has perceptibly chafed recently as Mikhail Gorbachev has chosen two relatively colorless figures, Arkady Maslenikov and Vitaly Ignatenko, as presidential press spokesman, bypassing Gerasimov, whose light-heartedness hides his intense preparation for his briefings.

Asked about Gorbachev's being awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, Gerasimov said acerbically ''Well it certainly wasn't the prize for economics.''

Similarly, Gerasimov sniffed at recent persistent rumors of a pending military coup against Gorbachev.

''If you talk about a military coup d'etat in advance, it's not much of a coup '' he said.

Whatever his diplomatic destination, Gerasimov in five years transformed Foreign Ministry briefings from exercises in stonewalling to forums of imparting information with his strict protocol requiring journalists' to announce their affiliations.

''How's that again?'' Gerasimov asked when a newcomer in the burgeoning Moscow press corps presented himself.

''Village Voice,'' came the reply.

''Welcome, Village Voice,'' Gerasimov said tiredly.

He devoted part of a recent briefing to complimenting the U.S. Defense Department's annual report, ''Soviet Military Power,'' for dropping bellicose assessments of the Kremlin, but said he was ''sending ''

Plucked from the anonymity of Soviet journalism by Gorbachev, Gerasimov shot to the limelight, and he used it to push his true passion: arms control and an end to nuclear weapons.

His briefings over five years saw the Soviet Union move from the Cold War, dating from the World War II Yalta Conference, to partnership with the United States.

Gerasimov, noting the new relationship that would be cemented at the superpower summit in Malta last December, summed up an entire era. ''From Yalta to Malta,'' he announced to reporters.

Tiring of journalists asking whether Soviet tanks would intervene under the ''Brezhnev Doctrine'' to prevent Eastern European nation defections from the Soviet fold, he said those nations were simply following ''the Sinatra Doctrine.''

''They are doing it their way,'' he shrugged.

A globetrotter in heavy demand because of his entertaining and incisive comments, Gerasimov used a recent trip to Utah to assess developments in his homeland.

''You know, there is talk of changing the name of our country,'' he began.

Noting that the Soviets had ordered cigarettes from the Phillip Morris tobacco company, Gerasimov added: ''Maybe it should be called Marlboro Country.''

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(NOV. 13) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $1 to $9 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.20 to 0.49 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.90 cents higher to 0.35 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.03 to 1.48 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $3.70 to $4.00 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $8.20 to $8.50 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - unchanged to 0.95 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 70 cents an ounce higher across the board for a 5,000-troy- ounce contract. On the CBOT 10 to 40 cents higher for a 1,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.008 to 0.017 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90317u1653 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (NOV. 13) UPI - Eastern Airlines flew 1.15 billion revenue passenger miles and had a 55.02 percent load factor in October, the airline said Tuesday.

Eastern's capacity for the month was 2.09 billion available seat miles, and

passenger boardings were 1.60 million.

A revenue passenger mile equals one passenger flown one mile.

Eastern said the October traffic results reflected the traditional seasonal slowdown. However yield per revenue passenger mile was 28 percent higher than in October, 1989 due to an increase in traffic from business flyers. In October 1989 Eastern flew 1.30 billion revenue passenger miles, with capacity of 2.05 billion available seat-miles and a 63.14 percent load factor. Passenger boardings were 1.8 million.

Easten currently operates about 800 daily flights to more than 70 cities.

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#90317u1669 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday:

Stock	Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	77,192,896	37 7/8 up 5/8
Micrsoft Comp	(MSFT)	63,981,652	68 5/8 off 1/4
Apple Comp	(AAPL)	45,275,108	36 off 1/4
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	34,924,900	51 1/2 up 1 1/4
McCaw A	(MCAW)	34,187,472	15 7/8 up 1 1/2
Costco	(COST)	29,200,782	42 7/8 up 5/8
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	28,554,136	31 5/8 off 3/8
SunMicro	(SUNW)	27,562,424	18 1/8 off 1/4
Reuter Inc	(RTRS)	27,425,480	37 1/4 unch
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	24,662,004	25 3/8 up 3/8

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Composite Index 155.19 up 0.63

NMS volume 99,459,704 shares.

Advances	804
Declines	714
Unchanged	1,270
Total	2,788

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#90317u1673 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 295.61, low 294.60, close 295.56, up 0.78.

There was a gain of 3 cents in the average share price.

Volume 9,720,000 shares, compared with 10, 380,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	7
New Lows	47
Advances	281
Declines	270
Unchanged	224
Total Issues	775

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#90317u1678 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (NOV. 13) UPI - A lawyer for religious leader Yahweh Ben Yahweh said Tuesday his client may be unable to get a fair trial on murder charges in Miami because of extensive media coverage.

At a news conference held about the time Yahweh, 55, arrived at Miami's Metropolitan Correctional Center, lawyer Ellis Rubin said the coverage of his client's indictment and arrest has been biased against the cult leader of black Hebrew Jews.

"Please stop taking what the government says as gospel," Rubin said. "I think the media in this case is trying to do what it can to rid Dade County of Yahweh Ben Yahweh and he has done some good things for this community."

Yahweh, also known as Hulon Mitchell Jr., was arrested at a hotel in New Orleans' French Quarter Nov. 7 on the Miami federal indictment that charges him and 16 others with 18 acts of racketeering including 14 murders, two attempted murders, arson, and extortion.

The arrest of the self-proclaimed son of God came about five weeks after Miami Mayor Xavier Suarez made Oct. 7 Yahweh Ben Yahweh Day for showing people "how to move from poverty to riches." A group of lawyers has asked the mayor to rescind the proclamation.

The suspects allegedly plotted to murder people as a rite of initiation into the ultra secret group, and to eliminate followers who dissented from Mitchell's leadership or the sect's practices. Authorities said Yahweh made his followers bring back body parts from the dead victims to prove they had carried out the murders he had ordered.

At a hearing in New Orleans Friday, Yahweh waived extradition to Miami. He arrived at MCC in south Miami at 2:25 p.m. Tuesday, a prison spokesman said.

Rubin, who has represented the sect during several past brushes with the law, said the indictment stemmed mainly from information volunteered by Robert Rosier, a former Yahweh member known as Nehriah Israel who confessed to four

murders in 1986. Rubin said Israel was, "Singing his head off to save his own life."

He claimed that Rosier had confessed to two other murders that he has not been charged with, and said the Royal Canadian Mounties have 32 fraud warrants against him. He also is wanted by police in St. Louis, New Jersey, North Carolina, and Washington, D.C., Rubin said.

Rubin said Rosier called himself the "Gorilla Pimp" in college. "Now he has a new name," he said. "It's called serial killer. ... Yet this is the government's main witness."

He said Yahweh would plead innocent at his arraignment and had decided that he wanted to be tried in Miami instead of attempting to get a change of venue. Rubin said he would also request that MCC officials not monitor or makes tape recordings of Yahweh's telephone conversations from the prison in fear they would wind up being acquired by the media.

Lawyers in the drug case against deposed Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega have been fighting in court since last week to keep Cable News Network from broadcasting tapes the network obtained of telephone conversations Noriega's attorneys had with the general from his prison cell.

The Yahwehs, who wear flowing white robes and take the surname Israel, own millions of dollars in real estate and businesses in Dade and Broward counties including a fleet of white vehicles, a convention center, a school, grocery stores, motels, and a recording studio. The Temple of Love in Miami's Liberty City neighborhood is headquarters for the group, which claims to have about 10,000 members nationwide.

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#90317u1691 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 13) UPI - Increased military demand for jet fuel and loss of production from a major refinery in Kuwait have caused aviation fuel prices to increase more than crude oil prices, an oil industry economist said Tuesday.

But he said consumers can expect relatively stable gasoline prices in coming months, provided war can be averted in the Persian Gulf.

Michael Canes, the American Petroleum Institute's vice president and chief economist, said the airline industry has borne the brunt of the economic hardships caused by the Persian Gulf crisis.

This much has been illustrated by the financial losses most major carriers recently reported in their quarterly results.

''Jet fuel prices were up more than crude prices at their peak and are still

up more (than crude) even since crude prices have begun to drop,'' Canes told reporters at the industry group's annual meeting.

Canes said demand for jet fuel is up and production capacity down.

''You've lost production of 750,000 barrels a day of sophisticated refining capacity in Kuwait,'' and refineries in Saudi Arabia that produce jet fuel are directing their output toward ''military use,'' Canes said.

''With the military buildup, you've got increased military demand for jet fuel so while September production of jet fuel reached an all-time high ... stronger demand has kept prices high,'' he said.

There is also a seasonal factor in jet fuel demand. He noted jet fuel - kerosenind naa .. bc-api

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#90317u1700 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 13) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	173.31	off	0.76
ASE Market Value Index	295.56	up	0.78
Dow-Jones Industrial	2535.40	off	4.95

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#90317u1702 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) UPI - Senate Democrats and Republicans re-elected Sen. George Mitchell, D-Maine, and Sen. Robert Dole, R-Kan., as party leaders Tuesday but GOP conservatives ousted the lone liberal in their hierarchy, Sen. John Chafee, R-R.I., by one vote.

Meeting in a morning session, the Democrats elected Mitchell and the other members of the leadership by acclamation for the 102nd Congress that convenes Jan. 3. None of the candidates were opposed.

The Republicans elected Dole and his top deputy, Sen. Alan Simpson, R-Wyo., who ran without opposition. But conservative Sen. Thad Cochran, R-Miss., defeated the incumbent, Chafee, 22-21 for the chairmanship of the GOP Conference. Chafee was the only liberal among the Senate GOP leaders.

The other battles were for chairman of the Republican Policy Committee, left open by the retirement of Sen. William Armstrong, R-Colo., secretary of the conference and chairman of the Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee.

Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla., and Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., were running for the policy committee chair; Sen. Christopher Bond, R-Mo., and Robert Kasten, R-Wis., were seeking to become Conference secretary and Sens. Mitch McConnell,

R-Ky., and Phil Gramm, R-Texas, were matched in the race for chairmanship of the campaign committee.

The only newcomer to the Democratic leadership was Sen. Wendell Ford, D-Ky., a moderate, border-state senator who was elected assistant leader, a post he was denied two years ago.

Ford was elected by acclamation after the incumbent, Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., said he was suffering from cancer of the prostate and would not seek re-election to the assistant leader post or re-election to the Senate in 1992.

Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., explored the possibility of running against Ford. But he dropped the idea after a series of telephone calls convinced him that the 66-year-old Kentucky veteran had the votes locked up. Instead, Pryor reclaimed his post as party secretary, the third-ranked post in the leadership.

Ford, considered more to the center than Mitchell, said after his election, "My view is, and has been, that my leader (Mitchell) is the spokesman. I will be a member of the team and support him.

Others re-elected were Sen. Thomas Daschle, D-S.D., co-chairman with Mitchell of the policy committee; Sen. Alan Dixon, D-Ill., assistant deputy whip; and Sen. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii, chairman of the Steering Committee that makes committee assignments. Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., remains as president pro tem.

The Democrats ratified Mitchell's choice of Sen. Charles Robb, D-Va., as chairman of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee for a two-year term. Twenty Democratic seats, compared to 14 for the Republicans, will be at stake in 1992, which Robb called a "significant challenge."

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#90317u1714 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks - 9,720,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,968,311,680
Bonds - $3,060,000
1990 to date - $645,958,000

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#90317u1717 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	295.56	up	0.78
High Technology	302.88	up	1.26
Capital Goods	305.66	up	0.49
Consumer Goods	370.53	up	1.11
Service	667.88	up	4.24

Retail	939.54	up	15.26
Financial	346.66	up	2.30
Natural Resources	219.48	off	0.46
Housing-Const-Land	219.99	off	4.02

There was a gain of 3 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS			
New England	388.12	up	1.73
Mid Atlantic	393.36	up	0.21
No Central	384.91	up	1.04
So Atlantic	831.82	up	13.17
So Central	294.59	off	0.64
Mountain	105.17	up	1.49
Pacific	333.59	up	1.62
Foreign	216.18	up	0.12

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#90317u1718 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

LA PAZ, Bolivia (NOV. 13) UPI - Bolivian anti-drug police and U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency advisers said they were closing a circle of agents Tuesday in a sweep operation of one of Bolivia's most active cocaine- producing areas.

During the first 11 days of the operation that spread over 360 square miles in the Chapare region of central Bolivia, 140 people had been arrested, ''overflowing the jails,'' said Interior Minister Guillermo Capobianco.

The Chapare region is a center for growing coca leaf, the raw material used to make cocaine, and thus attracts buyers from the drug trade who later process the leaves into a white paste.

Evo Morales, leader of the regional peasant farmers association, said the area was ''in a state of seige'' with a curfew and restrictions on motor vehicle and pedestrian traffic. Morales estimated about 300 people had been arrested.

Gen. Lucio Anez, commander of the anti-drug forces, for the first time said he needed the help of the Bolivian army in the fight against drug trafficking, despite the fact that many public analysts and politicians are strongly against the ''militarization'' of the drug fight.

Many Bolivians argue that use of either national troops or U.S. forces to combat narco-traffickers could backfire in violence against the civilian population like the wave of bombings and assasinations in Colombia.

Col. Rogelio Vargas of the anti-drug force said that more than half of the force's 648 agents were working on the Chapare operation, and that ''the ideal would be to have more than 1,000 agents.''

Officials say the operation is one of the largest taken against drug traffickers in Bolivia, one of the worlds leading producers of cocaine.

Another recent anti-drug ''circle'' in Bolivia, also with assistance from the roughly 30 DEA advisers, netted a dozen drug traffickers and a reportedly significant amount of money and equipment, Anez said.

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#90317u1721 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks - 160,240,000 shares
1990 to date - 34,795,161,300
Warrants - 1,612,000
1990 to date - 225,538,800

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#90317u1733 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Alcan Alum	8,221,200	17 7/8	unch
Philip Morris	3,013,500	48 1/2	off 7/8
Fed Nat Mtge	2,883,500	32 3/8	up 3/8
Amer Exp	2,170,400	22 1/2	up 7/8
IBM Corp	2,131,500	112	off 1
Gen Elec	1,909,800	55 1/2	up 1/8
PepsiCo	1,765,200	25 1/4	up 1/4
Limited Inc	1,585,400	15 3/8	up 1/8
Fed Nat Mtge wt	1,455,100	17 1/2	up 1/2
Citicorp	1,443,700	13 3/8	up 1/8
Wal Mart Stores	1,314,700	29 1/4	up 3/8
Toys R Us	1,217,800	23 3/8	up 5/8
Texas Util	1,151,600	37	off 5/8
Beverly Enterp	1,137,800	7 3/4	off 1/8
Gen Motors	1,095,900	39	up 1/4

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#90317u1736 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.67	up 0.08
10 Public Utils	91.73	up 0.14
10 Industrials	87.61	up 0.01

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#90317u1737 11/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Corona Corp A	354,000	4 1/4	up 1/8
Fruit of Loom	323,900	6 3/4	off 1/2
Energy Service	301,900	2 3/8	unch
Bolar Pharm Co	245,000	2 3/8	unch
BAT Industries	208,500	10 7/8	off 1/8
Salomon wt93 Jan	188,000	17 3/4	unch
Team Inc	186,400	9 7/8	off 3/8
Amdahl Corp	175,400	13 1/4	up 1/4
Contl Air Holdgs	155,900	3	up 1/8
Carnival Cruise	154,200	14 1/8	up 3/8

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#90317u1744 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	28.20-28.30	27.40-27.50
North Sea Brent	32.75-32.85	31.60-31.70
West Texas Intermed	33.15-33.20	31.90-31.95
Light Louisiana Sweet	34.25-34.30	32.95-33.05
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	86.60-87.10	88.50-88.75
No. 2 Heating oil	87.35-87.45	85.15-85.35
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	82.10-82.35	83.00-83.25
No. 2 Heating oil	85.45-85.70	83.65-83.80

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#90317u1746 11/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Tuesday - $39,240,000
1990 to date - $9,637,993,000

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#90317u1748 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 13) UPI - Scali, McCabe, Sloves Inc., the New York advertising agency, Tuesday admitted running over its feet with a misleading Volvo commercial and resigned its $40 million account with the Swedish carmaker.

Scali said the resignation was due to questions regarding the production of the so-called "monster truck" Volvo commercial in Austin, Texas. Last week, the state attorney general accused Volvo of doctoring its own car to survive a crushing by a giant truck while rigging its competitors to fail.

"We did not resign the account over culpability, we resigned because we are ultimately responsible," Chairman Marvin Sloves told United Press International. "We don't want Volvo hurt anymore than it has been."

Volvo, one of Scali's largest accounts, was among the firm's first clients when it opened shop 23 years ago, Sloves said. Scali prepared both television and print ads for Volvo.

Volvo withdrew the monster truck campaign after extras at the filming complained the cars used in the advertisement had been modified. "It was a mutual conclusion that Scali had to take responsibility," said William Hoover, a spokesman for Volvo of North America based in Rockleigh, N.J.

Hoover said a joint investigation showed that "someone in the Scali shop" signed a television-network practices statement that no props, trick photography or unusual production techniques had been used in the making of the commercial.

While admitting his agency's responsibility for the debacle, Scales emphasized "My people never authorized anyone to play around with those cars."

Volvo, the import that sells about 100,000 cars in the United States every year and has built its reputation mainly on safety, reacted to the scandal with profuse apologies to consumers, taking out ads in major newspapers assuring the public that such an incident would never happen again.

The crisis-communications technique seems to be working, Hoover said. "The majority of contacts we've had from the public praise the way we've handled the situation," Hoover said. "Volvo owners have told us 'this is a bad thing and you guys ought to be ashamed of yourself, but if you want me to stand up and say how safe the car is, I will."'

Not everyone is rolling over for the apologies, though. Last week some monster truck drivers lined up wrecked Volvos in the parking lot of Philadelphia's Spectrum arena and drove over them. "I think the public so far has been able to separate the problems with this ad from Volvo as a product," Hoover said.

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#90317u1760 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 13) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Tuesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berksh Hath	6175	off 100
Pitney Bowes pf	142	up 5
Wheel Steel pfB	24	up 4
Live Enertainmnt	10 3/8	off 3 1/2
No State Pwr pfE	48	up 3 3/8
Metro Edison pfG	86	up 3
Wheel Steel pf	18	up 3
No State Pwr pfC	47 1/2	up 2 5/8
Metro Edison pfI	89 1/2	up 2 1/2
Niagra Mohawk pfH	60 7/8	up 2 3/8
Ingersoll Rand	34 7/8	up 2 1/4

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#90317u1772 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

PROVIDENCE, RI (NOV. 13) UPI - The city Board of Canvassers certified former Mayor Vincent A. "Buddy" Cianci Jr. as mayor-elect Tuesday, despite claims that his felony convictions for assaulting his wife's alleged lover bar him from taking office.

Cianci, whose scandal-ridden first administration led to the conviction of nearly two dozen city officials, was certified by the three-member board at an afternoon hearing. Chairman Laurence K. Flynn said the board did not have the authority to deal with the objections posed by some voters.

Cianci, who ran as an independent, held an insurmountable lead over independent Frederick Lippitt, a former state administration director, and Democrat Andrew Annaldo, a city councilman, after a recount of voting-machine tallies on Friday by the state Board of Elections. Based on the results, state Elections Chairman Joseph DiStefano told the Board of Canvassers to certify Cianci on Tuesday.

DiStefano also revealed that an objection to Cianci taking office had been filed by three city voters, who maintained he cannot legally take office because a five-year probation on two felony convictions for assaulting his wife's reported lover was not completed until April 1989.

The voters cited an amendment to the Rhode Island Constitution passed in 1986 that requires convicted felons to wait three years after finishing their conviction, parole, or probation before taking public office.

Thomas Rossi, a Cianci campaign manager, argued the law did not apply to Cianci because his conviction came more than two years before a Constitutional Convention passed the amendment, which was dubbed "The Buddy Amendment" in reference to Cianci's nickname and his felony convictions.

Cianci, who won the three-way race despite frequent blasts about his criminal past and widespread corruption in his 3 1/2-term administration from 1974-84, also expressed little doubt that he will take office in January.

But a lawyer for the three voters, David N. Cicilline, said the law applies to Cianci retroactively because it is being applied in a non-criminal setting.

Lawyer Frederick Cass, who represents a group of voters who have joined in the challenge to Cianci's election, said he was not surprised by the Board of Canvassers' decision. But he said he still intends to take the issue to the state Board of Elections and, if necessary, bring it before the Rhode Island Supreme Court.

"All the certification does is declare that Vincent Cianci received more votes than any other candidate," Cass said.

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#90317u1779 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	373.35	224.36	143.93	22.21	319.48
Opening	372.80	223.39	143.34	22.20	318.90
11 a.m.	373.41	222.63	143.06	22.20	319.21
Noon	371.43	222.07	142.16	22.07	317.48
1 p.m.	371.71	222.49	141.88	22.10	317.61
2 p.m.	372.08	222.29	142.03	22.13	317.94
3 p.m.	373.50	223.93	142.16	22.32	319.15
Close	371.69	223.47	141.52	22.25	317.67
Change	off 1.66	off 0.89	off 2.41	up 0.04	off 1.81

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(NOV. 13) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	228.50	230.20	227.80	228.90	229.00
Mar	....	....	....	231.00	231.00
Jun	....	....	....	233.40	233.30

Previous day volume: 115 contracts.
Open interest: 1,257 off 21

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	320.00	321.40	318.20	317.15	320.50
Mar	322.55	324.20	321.00	321.80	323.15
Jun	....	327.00	324.10	324.80	326.10
Sep	....	329.80	327.50	327.80	329.00

Today's estimated volume: 44,326 contracts.
Open interest: 159,334 up 1,085
NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	174.35	175.20	173.45	174.00	174.90
Mar	175.65	176.10	175.00	175.25	176.20
Jun	176.90	176.90	176.90	176.55	177.50

Open interest: 4,892 off 173
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	535.00	536.25	530.75	532.35	535.90
Dec	537.00	538.20	533.40	534.70	538.00
Jan	....	....	....	536.70	539.95

Estimated volume 3,149 contracts.
Open interest: 8,179 off 2

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#90317u1801 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

ANKARA, Turkey (NOV. 13) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein executed six army generals who did not want to fight in Kuwait or who otherwise opposed his policies, a semi-official Turkish news agency quoted an Iraqi defector as saying Tuesday.

The defector, an army captain who fled to Turkey on foot in September, told reporters in the eastern Turkish city of Van that morale among the Iraqi troops was low because many of the soldiers did not want to fight fellow Arabs and Moslems in Kuwait.

Anatolain News Agency said 130 Iraq defectors arrived in Turkey over the past two days, bringing the total to at least 200 since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

Earlier reports said 70 army defectors fled to Turkey after the invasion and

were debriefed by the Turkish intelligence organization in a special camp near the Iraq-Turkey border.

Anatolian quoted Iraqi army captain, whose name was withheld, as telling reporters Saddam ordered the execution of six three-star generals in August and September after they indicated they did not wish to fight in Kuwait or because they opposed his policies.

The defector did not name the generals or say how the executions were carried out, but he said 120 other soldiers were also executed for the same reason about the same time.

The Iraqi captain said morale was so low in the Iraqi armed forces that many officers and other ranks were looking for a chance to escape. He said he made his way on foot to Turkey after bribing several officials.

Last week U.S. Central Intellgience Agency chief William Webster was in Turkey where he was reported to have shown interest in the Iraqi defectors.

The Iraqi captain said Kuwait, after the Iraqi invasion, ''was like a slaughter house. Hundreds of civilians were killed by Iraqi soldiers and many women were raped during the invasion.''

Iraq had deployed 100,000 troops along its border with Turkey by the time he fled across the border, he said.

Other defectors also interviewed in Van said they felt they were fighting a meaningless war in Kuwait, and decided to escape to Turkey. Speaking through an Arabic interpreter, the Iraqi soldiers said other defectors fled to Saudi Arabia and Jordan.

''There are many soldiers who would like to lay down their arms and surrender, but they are afraid of Saddam's intelligence agents,'' one Iraqi private said.

The economic sanctions against Iraq were beginning to show their effects inside the country, and bread was rationed among the Iraqi troops, the defectors said.

Turkish officials said there were 30 civilians, including 10 women and seven children among the latest wave of defectors from Iraq.

The fugitives were given medical treatment immediately upon arrival. Most were suffering from malnutrition, fatigue and psychological shock, the officials said.

Their requests for political asylum in Turkey were under consideration, the officials said.

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#90317u1802 11/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	352.87	up	1.41	340.53	454.03
Industrial	375.94	up	1.27	363.95	440.72
Finance	346.93	up	2.63	335.76	528.76
Insurance	419.46	off	0.97	402.78	544.81
Utility	493.12	up	3.66	455.97	728.22
Bank	248.32	up	0.36	241.17	427.55
Transport	388.32	off	1.04	382.74	472.08

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	155.22	up	0.66
Industrial Index	149.35	up	0.55
NASDAQ-100 Index	379.75	up	2.41

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#90317u1805 11/13/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 13) UPI - The Pentagon says U-S Marines will take part in a landing exercise in Saudi Arabia, possibly within range of Iraqi missiles. One Washington report says two-thousand Marines will be involved on Sunday, 10 miles from Kuwait.

The Environmental Protection Agency says nearly four-Million Americans consume groundwater that contains UNsafe levels of nitrates, which can cause serious illness to infants. The chemical frequently is located in fertilizer residue.

The Food and Drug Administration today approved the first attempt to use gene therapy to fight cancer. Dr. Steven Rosenberg of the National Cancer Institute says he'll be able to try gene therapy ''within four to six weeks'' on three adults suffering from a deadly type of skin cancer called melanoma.

The Egyptian-born man accused of killing militant Rabbi Meir Kahane was taken under tight security from Bellevue Hospital to a New York court today for a hearing on murder charges. 34- year-old El-Sayyid Nosair is a naturalized American citizen accused of killing the Kahane, who advocated driving all Arabs out of Israel.

The Tass news agency says Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov has been named ambassador to a European nation. Tass says Vitaly Churkin, a

close aide to Foreign Minister Shevardnadze, will replace Gerasimov.

A group linked to the Medellin cartel claimed responsibility today for kidnapping two former journalists in Bogota last week. The group called The Extraditables says it was acting in response to what it terms ''tortures and kidnappings'' carried out by Colombian police.

Triple-A says the average price of self-serve regular unleaded gasoline has jumped by more than 11 cents a gallon since Labor Day weekend. The group's Thanksgiving Holiday Fuel Gauge Report shows the average price of self-serve regular unleaded at one dollar, 38 cents a gallon.

A consortium of 14 research institutions says the world's fastest and most powerful computer will be housed at Caltech in Pasadena next spring. The custom-designed machine is said to be capable of 32-BILLION operations per second.

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#90317u1807 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Tuesday 379.75 up 2.41.

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#90317u1811 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - The dollar drifted mostly higher Tuesday in uninspired New York foreign exchange trading as the market awaited any new information with a continued bearish bias against the American currency.

With the Persian Gulf situation momentarily off the boil amid U.S. debate on whether President Bush should take the offensive against Iraq, and no economic news from Washington, currency dealings were quiet, traders said.

The dollar was making a stronger showing against Japan's yen than against the German mark, said Bank of New York foreign exchange manager Robert Ryan. But, he commented, ''We still seem to be in a downward trend.''

Harris Trust & Savings Bank vice president and analyst Earl Johnson confirmed bearish sentiment on the dollar is pervasive, given the widespread assumption that the Federal Reserve is shortly to lower U.S. interest rates.

''Aside from some psychological or technical rally, there's no reason why the dollar can't go to new lows,'' he said. Given all the negatives, he said, only U.S. intervention or jawboning could support the dollar.

Late in the New York session, the dollar was quoted at 1.4780 German marks, up slightly from 1.4770, and at 129.60 Japanese yen, up from 128.50.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2510 Swiss francs, up from 1.2460; 4.9730 French francs, up from 4.9690; and 1,112 Italian lire, off from 1,114.50.

The British pound moved down to $1.9625 from $1.9655.

In European dealings the dollar closed mostly lower in the face of a surging German mark and on expected lower U.S. interest rates.

''The dollar is holding up better than expected. The market is still waiting for interest rate cuts from the U.S. Federal Reserve either today or Friday,'' said Kit Juckes, a currency analyst with Warburg Securities.

He said the dollar recovered from morning lows against most European units as dealers worried they might be overselling it.

In Frankfurt, the dollar closed lower at 1.4787 German marks vs. 1.4813. But in Zurich it strengthened to 1.2510 Swiss francs vs. 1.2505.

In London, the pound firmed against the dollar to end at $1.9635 vs. $1.9630.

The dollar was lower in Paris and Milan at 4.9720 French francs vs. 4.9750, and at 1,112.40 Italian lire vs. 1,113.95. In Brussels it gained to finish at 30.51 Belgian francs vs. 30.50 the previous day.

In Tokyo earlier, the dollar plunged against the yen as players looked for a cut in U.S. rates and war fears abated. The dollar ended at 128.77 yen, down 1.73 yen from 130.50 yen Friday. Monday the market was closed.

In Zurich, gold closed higher at $383.50 an ounce vs. $381.50. London gold also moved up, to $383.25 an ounce compared with $382.

Silver closed unchanged in Zurich at $4.20 an ounce. But it fell in London, to $4.21 an ounce from $4.25.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $385.75 an ounce, up from $381.75 Monday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $386 an ounce, also ahead from $382.30.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.23 an ounce, up from $4.20. Comex silver ended the session at $4.212 an ounce, up from $4.205.

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#90317u1813 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign

currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.
Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Tue	Fri	Tue	Fri
Argntn austral	.000190	.000191	5272.00	5223.00
Australia dlr	.7670	.7797	1.3038	1.2825
Austria schill	.0962	.0955	10.40	10.47
Belgium franc-c	.0328	.0326	30.45	30.64
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0091	.0091	109.60	109.60
Britain pound	1.9640	1.9655	.5092	.5088
Britain 1-mo	1.9536	1.9556	.5119	.5114
Britain 3-mo	1.9357	1.9387	.5166	.5158
Britain 6-mo	1.9156	1.9188	.5220	.5212
Canada dollar	.8584	.8565	1.1650	1.1675
Canada 1-mo	.8554	.8535	1.1691	1.1716
Canada 3-mo	.8500	.8480	1.1765	1.1793
Canada 6-mo	.8430	.8408	1.1862	1.1894
Chile peso-f	.003280	.003286	304.89	304.36
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001871	.001871	534.38	534.58
Denmark krne	.1768	.1758	5.6550	5.6895
Ecudr sucre-z	.001179	.001184	848.25	844.35
Egypt pound	.3627	.3627	2.7572	2.7572
Finlnd mrkka	.2820	.2811	3.5460	3.5580
France franc	.2010	.2002	4.9745	4.9950
France 1-mo	.2007	.1999	4.9830	5.0026
France 3-mo	.2000	.1992	4.9993	5.0190
France 6-mo	.1989	.1982	5.0285	5.0448
Greece drach	.006656	.006630	150.23	150.83
Hollnd guildr	.5999	.5961	1.6670	1.6776
HongKong dlr	.1284	.1282	7.7900	7.7975
India rupee	.0555	.0556	18.01	17.97
Indo'sa rupia	.000539	.000539	1857.00	1856.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.8120	1.8015	0.5519	0.5551
Israel shekel	.5112	.5079	1.9560	1.9690
Italy lira	.000899	.000893	1112.00	1119.25
Japan yen	.007710	.007707	129.70	129.75
Japan 1-mo	.007716	.007713	129.60	129.65
Japan 3-mo	.007764	.007725	128.80	129.45
Japan 6-mo	.007905	.007865	126.50	127.15
Jordan dinar	1.5603	1.5555	.6409	.6429
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35

Mexico peso-z	.000346	.000345	2894.00	2901.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6089	.6115	1.6423	1.6353
Norway krne	.1730	.1722	5.7800	5.8070
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	428,475	433,400
P'pnes peso-z	.0364	.0367	27.46	27.22
Portugl escud	.007719	.007663	129.55	130.49
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5846	.5854	1.7105	1.7081
S.Africa rand	.3973	.3967	2.5167	2.5211
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010684	.010672	93.60	93.70
Sweden krona	.1805	.1796	5.5410	5.5680
Switzrl franc	.8006	.8008	1.2490	1.2488
Switzrl 1-mo	.8003	.8006	1.2495	1.2490
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7996	.8001	1.2507	1.2498
Switzrl 6-mo	.7985	.7993	1.2524	1.2511
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0374	26.77	26.77
Turkey lira	.000366	.000365	2732.00	2737.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0203	.0203	49.25	49.20
Germany mark	.6760	.6725	1.4792	1.4870
Germany 1-mo	.6758	.6723	1.4798	1.4875
Germany 3-mo	.6745	.6712	1.4826	1.4899
Germany 6-mo	.6724	.6693	1.4873	1.4942
Yugosl dinar	.0984	.0980	10.16	10.20

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.64	7.73	8.62
91-day Treasury bills	7.27	7.28	7.68
182-day Treasury bills	7.40	7.40	7.45
1-year Treasury bills	7.32	7.32	7.21
3-year Treasury notes	7.73	7.74	7.74
7-year Treasury notes	8.27	8.34	7.86
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.53	8.63	7.90
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.98	9.10	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.70	9.65	9.20

GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.90	9.80	8.86
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.18	9.01	8.85
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.40	9.47	9.06
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.38	9.45	9.05

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	353.53	350.59	352.89	up 1.41
Industrial	376.77	373.64	375.94	up 1.27
Finance	347.02	343.91	346.93	up 2.63
Insurance	421.10	415.64	419.46	off 0.97
Utility	495.91	485.64	493.12	up 3.66
Bank	249.01	246.19	248.32	up 0.36
Transport	391.13	387.48	388.32	off 1.04

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	155.22	up 0.66
Industrial Index	149.35	up 0.55
NASDAQ-100 Index	379.75	up 2.41
(largest non-fin'cl)		
Average price per share	8.02	off 0.02
Volume	99,459,704	shares
Advances	804	
Declines	701	
Unchanged	1,270	
Total	2,788	

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	18	23	36
New lows	45	45	104

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	821	68,525,100
Declines	729	71,861,700
Unchanged	451	19,853,200
Total	2,001	160,240,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	123,367,300
Advances	955
Declines	886
Unchanged	2,373
Total	4,214

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(NOV. 13) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	7
New lows	47

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	281	5,502,000
Declines	270	2,896,500
Unchanged	224	1,321,500
Total	775	9,720,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	173.95	173.17	173.31	off 0.76
Industrial	214.74	213.67	213.89	off 0.79
Transport	135.49	134.28	135.11	off 0.04
Utility	90.74	89.93	89.93	off 1.07

Finance 116.31 115.49 116.02 up 0.18

Equivalent to a loss of 13 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 160,240,000 shares.

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MANAGUA, Nicaragua (NOV. 13) UPI - The government will use force if former Contra rebels continue to block a highway east of Managua, Presidential Minister Antonio Lacayo warned Tuesday.

The former rebels, supported by mayors in Boaco and Chontales provinces, are protesting the government's failure to fulfill its promise of land, housing, tools, bank credit, food and medicine for their resettlement since the rebels laid down their arms in June.

By Tuesday, the former rebels had occupied 100 miles of the road that leads from Managua to the central Atlantic coast region. They are also occupying public buildings in the city of Boaco, 25 miles northeast of Managua, and several churches in Managua itself.

Eighteen mayors from the fifth region, which includes Boaco and Chontales provinces, are supporting the former Contras in their demands. On Sunday talks between the mayors and President Violeta Chamorro were broken off with no agreement to end the roadblocks.

The mayors have included in their demands the dismissal of Lacayo, of Interior Minister Carlos Hurtado and armed forces chief of staff Humberto Ortega.

Lacayo said Tuesday the government could not allow the situation to continue, and that if talks failed ''there will be no other way out but the ... use of force by the police, who until now have maintained a defensive position.''

On Monday, a riot squad charged pro-Contra demonstrators at barricades at the entrance to the city of Boaco. One person reportedly was wounded and others were beaten.

The mayors, who are Chamorro supporters, have charged that the government has not been purged of the influence of the Sandinistas, who lost elections to Chamorro last February and left office in April.

Army chief Humberto Ortega, defense minister when his brother Daniel Ortega was president, resigned his Sandinista party position before the change of government and was maintained by Chamorro at the head of the armed forces.

Boaco Mayor Armando Incer said the problem was ''the large number of Sandinista civilians who are still armed and fire on former Contras when they are working peacefully on their land.''

Following the disarmament of an estimated 20,000 Contras, many reportedly hid their weapons in the hills where they had operated during the eight-year civil war that failed to topple the Sandinista government.

Since the disarmament, the Sandinista Popular Army has been reduced from more than 90,000 to less than 30,000 active members, although the Sandinistas reportedly distributed weapons during the transition period.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Manhattan Borough President Ruth Messinger refused Tuesday to take a question from a Daily News reporter hours after several city and state officials pledged to support striking unions in their bitter dispute with management.

"I don't talk to scab newspapers," Messinger said after persistent attempts by a News management employee acting as a reporter during the strike to ask a question at a news conference at City Hall.

Earlier Tuesday, several politicans met with officials from the Allied Printing Trades Council, the umbrella group for the nine unions who struck the News Oct. 25, in support of the boycott of the 71-year-old tabloid.

Some even agreed not to talk to reporters working for the strikebound paper. "I will not entertain any question from Daily News folks," said Assemblyman Frank Barbaro, D-Brooklyn. "I would venture to say that is the consensus."

Barbaro, head of the Assembly's Labor Committee, said he and other legislators were considering assigning "campaign workers to visit newstand owners and urge them not to accept the Daily News."

Barbaro also said he has scheduled hearings in Manhattan for Nov. 26 to determine whether replacement workers and security guards hired by News management are creating a threat to public safety. News executives were immediately unavailable for comment Tuesday.

Barbaro said he was joined by several other city and state officials, including Attorney General Robert Abrams, who said they would work towards bringing a fair resolution to the strike that would preserve union jobs and the News, which is owned by the Chicago-based Tribune Co.

A spokesman for the attorney general later said that although Abrams's sympathies lie with the unions, he will investigate impartially all

allegations of violence involving either striking union members or security guards hired by management. Violence has marked the 20-day strike, and two more incidents occurred Tuesday morning.

New York police spokesman Sgt. Peter Berry said a 21-year-old replacement driver needed stitches in his head after being struck by one of four men with a metal pipe in a dawn attack at Merrick Boulevard and 230th Street in the Springfield Gardens section of Queens.

After the 5:50 a.m. attack, Allister Jones, of the Bronx, was taken to Franklin General Hospital in nearby Valley Stream, L.I. with a cut to his head after the four assailants commandeered his truck and attacked him. The suspects then crashed the truck against a telephone pole, Berry said.

No arrests were made, and detectives from the 105th Precinct were investigating the incident, the sergeant said. Hours before on Long Island, a group of men armed with baseball bats and sticks broke the windows of a bus waiting to take strikebreakers to the News's printing plant in Garden City, Nassau County police said.

A large group of men approached the replacement drivers as they were boarding a bus in the parking lot of the Island Inn on Old Country Road in Westbury just before 1 a.m., police said.

As the strikebreakers headed back into the building, the mob proceeded to break the windows of 11 cars in the parking lot and the windows of the bus and inn. Police said three people were slightly injured by flying glass.

The attackers fled and police said there have been no arrests. Detective William Naleps said the workers were hired as drivers for the News and were being lodged at the inn during the strike.

On Monday, a shot was fired at but missed a delivery truck driver in Queens, and early Sunday, a replacement worker leaving the paper's downtown Brooklyn plant was attacked by several men who broke his arm, police said. No arrests have been made in either incident.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) UPI - Nearly 4 million Americans drink water that contains unsafe levels of nitrates, a naturally occurring chemical frequently found in pesticide residue, an Environmental Protection Agency study showed Tuesday.

The study also found unsafe levels of two pesticides in a significant percentage of groundwater supplies tested. Groundwater provides 40 percent of drinking water in the United States.

Overall, however, the study concluded that the ''vast majority of drinking water wells'' in the country contain insignificant levels of dangerous substances, EPA officials said.

''There is no current cause for alarm but there is enough evidence of contamination that is cause for concern,'' said EPA Deputy Administrator Henry Habicht at a news conference. But Habicht cautioned, ''if we don't nip it in the bud we could have a serious problem.''

The study showed that 52.1 percent of community water system wells surveyed throughout the country contained safe traces of nitrates, while 56.8 percent of rural wells yielded safe levels, the EPA said.

But the five-year study found that 1.2 percent of 564 community wells surveyed and 2.4 percent of the 783 rural wells tested contained unsafe levels of nitrates. The site of the wells was not immediately available.

Nitrates are formed naturally and are a byproduct of pesticides, human waste and other substances. In low, levels they are not a threat to human health.

But at unsafe levels, which the EPA sets at above 10 parts per million, nitrates can cause serious illness to infants. The most common condition, known as blue baby syndrome, diminishes the ability of blood to carry oxygen, which can cause death.

The effects on adults are less clear. ''There is an unanswered question as to the health effects of nitrates on adults,'' said Mike Cook, director of EPA's Office of Drinking Water.

The EPA has informed well owners whose groundwater contained dangerous levels of contaminants and offered advice on ridding the wells of the substances.

Environmental groups criticized the findings, saying the study's sweeping national sample failed to reveal pockets of high contamination levels in agricultural regions that pose the greatest potential harm.

The survey ''cannot be used to determine with certainty the full extent of pesticide contamination of wells in regions where pesticide use is heavy or frequent,'' a coalition of environmental groups said in a statement.

But Habicht said the survey was designed to produce results that are statistically representative of all wells in the United States.

The $12 million EPA effort, begun during the Reagan administration, measured the levels of nitrates and 126 pesticides typically found in groundwater. Pesticides can get into water supplies when they are washed off crops and farm lands by the rain into rivers, streams and underwater aquifers.

The study found that Atrazine, an herbicide used to control weeds, was found in the highest concentrations - levels that the EPA said may pose a health hazard. Dacthal, or DPCA, which is used to combat crabgrass and other grasses, was also found in high concentrations, but at levels the EPA considers safe.

The EPA did not specify exactly how high the concentrations of Atrazine and Dacthal were, saying the data is still under review.

Completion of EPA's survey comes as an increasing number of states have discovered high levels of groundwater contamination.

Last year, state officials in Kansas and South Dakota found excess nitrate levels in 20 percent of private wells tested. In Iowa, 18 percent of rural water contained unsafe nitrate levels.

The EPA study represents the government's first effort at documenting national levels of the frequency and concentration of pesticides and nitrates.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Stocks closed mixed in moderate trading Tuesday as the market took a breather after a two-day rally that took the blue chips up almost 100 points.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which surged 51.74 Monday, lost 4.95 to close at 2535.40.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 0.76 to 173.31 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index lost 1.82 to 317.66. The price of an average share lost 13 cents.

Advances led declines 817-729 among the 2,011 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume was 160,240,000 shares, compared with 161,390,000 traded Monday.

The Dow rallied 96 points in trading Friday and Monday - 44 points Friday and another 52 Monday on expectations that the Federal Reserve would decide to lower interest rates another notch Tuesday at its regular policy meeting, in an attempt to revive the economy.

The Fed was expected to decide to follow the quarter-point cut in short-term rates that it made two weeks ago, after the enactment of a budget package, with a similar move. Analysts said the actual rate cut could take place any time in the next few days.

Against that backdrop, they described Tuesday's action as a normal breather after any sharp move. Through midday, players took profits from the rally

while waiting to see what action the Fed takes on rates. In late trading prices drifted slightly into the plus column but before the close, they turned lower again.

''I think after being up 90 points plus in the last three days this is a little rest and relaxation, a little R and R,'' said Dennis Jarrett, chief market strategist at Kidder, Peabody & Co. ''It's healthy, almost what the doctor ordered after such a dramatic upswing in such a short period.''

Jarrett said he did not think the mixed market reflected any disappointment that the Fed did not act Tuesday to lower rates. ''The meeting was today, so any action today would have been too soon. But over the next few days the market will be watching more closely to see what they do.

Jarret said he believes the market has run on the perception that rates are headed lower rather than waiting for the move itself, so when it happens, it may be anticlimactic.

''But if it doesn't happen in the next few days it opens up the possibility for more of a corrective phase,'' he said. ''I don't hear anybody talking about rates going back up though. The general perception in the bond and equity markets is that rates are headed lower.''

Jarrett dismissed the rise in oil prices Tuesday, sparked by more saber-rattling on the Mideast crisis by British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, as having much effect on the market.

''I think stocks are becoming a little immune to some of Margaret Thatcher's hawkish views,'' he said. ''The market has accommodated itself to the Bush scenario of maybe January (for any military action to be taken in the region).

''People seem to be of the belief that with the new troops that would be more reasonable, I don't think there's any anticipation of something now,'' Jarrett said.

On the trading floor, Alcan Aluminum was the most active issue, unchanged at 17 7/8.

Philip Morris followed, down 7/8 to 48 1/2. Sales of its market-leading Marlboro brand of cigarettes have reportedly been slipping.

Fannie Mae was third, up 3/8 to 32 3/8, extending its rally of the past few sessions which is being sparked by the improved outlook for interest rates.

American Express was next, up 7/8 to 22 1/2. The company said it plans to raise the rate charged on balances on its Optima credit card to 16.75 percent from 15.75 percent.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T fell 3/4 to 33 1/8, IBM lost 1 to 112, McDonald's eased 1/2 to 28 1/4, but Woolworth surged 1 3/8 to 29 3/4.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 201,185,400 shares, compared with 199,636,400 shares traded Monday.

Prices rose in light trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index rose 0.78 to 295.56. Advances led declines 288-268 among the 790 issues traded. The price of an average share rose 3 cents. Composite volume was 12,016,100 shares vs. 12,265, 650 traded Monday.

Corona Corp. Class A led the Amex issues, up 1/8 to 4 1/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 1.34 to 352.80.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (NOV. 13) UPI - Keeping tabs on threatening weather, the shuttle Atlantis's five-man crew flew to Florida Tuesday for a blazing nighttime launch Thursday to carry a secret spy satellite into orbit.

With work at the launch pad on or ahead of schedule, the astronauts arrived at the Kennedy Space Center shortly before 5:30 p.m. EST after a flight from Houston aboard sleek T-38 jet trainers.

The shuttle fliers posed briefly for photographs but they were instructed not to talk to waiting reporters, standard procedure for military shuttle flights. After an enthusiastic greeting from family members holding a ''Go Atlantis'' sign, the astronauts departed for their quarters.

While no technical problems were being ''worked'' at launch pad 39A, Air Force meteorologists predicted a 70 percent chance of rain and high winds Thursday that would force a launch delay. The odds are 50-50 for weather conditions that would permit a Friday launch try.

But if all goes well, Air Force Col. Richard Covey, 44, the commander, Navy Cmdr. Frank Culbertson, 41, the co-pilot, Army Maj. Charles Gemar, 35, Air Force Lt. Col. Carl Meade, 39, and Marine Corps Col. Robert Springer, 48, will blast off on the 37th shuttle mission Thursday night.

Launch originally was scheduled for mid July, but Atlantis was grounded by an elusive hydrogen fuel leak. At least two such leaks grounded the shuttle Columbia in May and September, but both spaceplanes have since been repaired and cleared for flight.

Among the family members who flew to the Kennedy Space Center to witness Atlantis's pyrotechnic launching was Gemar's wife, Charlene, who is expecting the couple's first child. NASA officials said earlier reports that she was close to delivery were unfounded.

As usual with such military missions, Atlantis's exact launch time will not be revealed until nine minutes before liftoff, ostensibly to hamper Soviet efforts to monitor the flight and glean details about the payload's ultimate orbit.

But sources who requested anonymity said takeoff is planned for 6:46 p.m. EST Thursday and that the flight is scheduled to last three days, 23 hours and 55 minutes, resulting in a touchdown at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., at 3:41 p.m. PST next Monday.

The identity of Atlantis's hush-hush satellite payload is classified as well.

Aviation Week & Space Technology magazine reported last month that Covey and company plan to launch a photo-reconnaissance satellite into an orbit that will allow Defense Department analysts to monitor activities in the Persian Gulf region.

Other space experts disputed that claim, saying Atlantis may be carrying an electronic eavesdropping satellite. Despite the uncertainty, the payload clearly is important and would appear to involve some sort of surveillance of the Persian Gulf.

NASA Administrator Richard Truly said in September that Atlantis was scheduled ''to fly a crucial, particularly these days crucial, national security mission.''

Atlantis's flight is the last fully classified Air Force shuttle mission left on NASA's launch manifest, a move that reflects a Pentagon shift away from the shuttle in favor of unmanned rockets like the Titan 4 that was successfully launched Monday night from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station.

The move also will save some $80 million a year that was being spent on shuttle security operations.

While two more military shuttle flights are scheduled in 1991, the payloads of both have been declassified.

The shuttle Discovery will carry four payload bay experiment packages into space in February to learn more about infrared sensor technology that may prove useful for detecting enemy missile launches or aircraft in flight.

An Air Force spokesman said the payload of a military shuttle flight planned

for next summer is an early warning Defense Support Program satellite equipped with a large infrared telescope capable of detecting enemy missile launches.

The Titan 4 launched Monday night was widely reported to have carried a ''DSP'' satellite into orbit.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - Representatives of Pan Am Corp. and UAL Corp. met Tuesday to draft a final agreement for the sale of key U.S.-to-London routes and other assets of Pan American World Airways, and both sides expressed confidence they would complete the agreement by Wednesday.

Meanwhile, Carl Icahn and his privately held Trans World Airlines Inc. waited in the wings with a $450 million offer to buy out Pan Am lock, stock and barrel should the $400 million deal with Chicago-based UAL, parent of United Airlines, falter.

"United has a team in New York working agressively with their Pan Am counterparts to complete the final documentation on our agreement with Pan Am " UAL Chairman Stephen Wolf said in a message to United employees. "We are confident that the documentation will be completed by Nov. 14 and the purchase will go forward as planned," Wolf said.

Pan Am spokeswoman Pamela Hanlon, reached in New York at the financially ailing carrier's headquarters, echoed Wolf's confidence. "We are working toward that goal today and are certainly hopeful that we will have an agreement with United Airlines by the end of the day tomorrow," Hanlon said.

Pan Am and United announced a tentative agreement Oct. 23 under which United would acquire a number of Pan Am's European routes, as well as terminal facilities at San Francisco International, London Heathrow and Washington Dulles airports and two Boeing 747-200 aircraft, for $400 million. They set a Nov. 14 target date for finalizing the agreement.

Since Oct. 23, Texas-based AMR Corp., parent of American Airlines, indicated it also had expressed interest in Pan Am's European routes, which it estimated to be worth about $500 million.

And, last Friday, Icahn responded to a Pan Am "invitation to present an offer to combine the operations of TWA and Pan Am" via a merger of the companies. The merger proposal was valued at $450 million - $100 million in cash and $350 million in securities.

Hanlon said Monday the United deal did not exempt any other party from making a takeover bid for Pan Am. Investor interest in whether Icahn would move more forcefully on a merger with Pan Am made Pan Am's stock one of the most

actively traded issues on the New York Stock Exchange Monday.

But the price of Pan Am stock lost 12.5 cents - half Monday's gain - to $1.875 a share on moderate volume Tuesday. UAL stock closed up 12.5 cents to $100.375 a share in light NYSE trading.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) UPI - Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., said Tuesday he will undergo radiation therapy for cancer of the prostate, making it impossible for him to personally appear before the Senate Ethics Committee after this week.

In a letter to the top-ranked members of the Ethics Committee, Cranston said he will appear at the opening of public hearings Thursday but that beginning Nov. 19, when the treatment starts, he cannot testify personally.

"I naturally want to cooperate fully with the committee so that the hearing proceedings may be carried out as expeditiously as possible and with as little interruption as possible," Cranston wrote Chairman Howell Heflin, D-Ala., and Vice Chairman Warren Rudman, R-N.H.

"I have been advised by Dr.(Malcolm) Bagshaw (chairman of radiation oncology at Stanford and his physician) that because of the side effects of my treatment deposition by written questions will be the most appropriate way for me to adhere to the hearing procedure," Cranston said.

The veteran California Democrat said he would not be available even for depositions Nov. 19 and 20 when the treatments begin or after Dec. 7 "since the radiation therapy is likely to have a substantial and progressive - although temporary - enervating effect."

Cranston said he would be available to respond in writing to questions during the weeks of Nov. 26 and Dec. 3. "I put myself at the committee's disposal in California between my daily radiation treatments with these constraints," he said.

There was no immediate indication from the committee whether it would accept Cranston's offer to answer questions in writing or to delay his part of the hearings until after he recovers from the radiation treatment.

Although all five senators will make their opening statements Thursday, the committee has announced that Cranston's case would be heard last. Although the committee hoped to finish its work by the end of the year, deliberations could extend into next year. Cranston announced last week that he was suffering from cancer and that he would not run for re-election in 1992.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	9.31	9.98
Anchor Fund Inv	14.61	15.50
Delaware Mutual	16.77	17.98
Fidelity Fund	16.15	16.15
Investor Mutual	10.84	11.41
Investor Stocks	17.98	18.92
Investor Select	8.38	8.82
IDS Equity Plus	8.68	9.14
MFS Growth Stk	8.22	8.86
Nicholas Income	3.04	3.04
Utd Accumulated	6.06	6.62
United Income	16.45	17.98
Vang Wellington	16.06	16.06

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Tuesday was 438.85, up 0.03 percent. Monday's index was revised to 438.75.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90317u1946 11/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Voting for the American League Cy Young Award as conducted by the Baseball Writers' Association of America (listing first-place votes in parentheses and total points):

Bob Welch, Oakland (15) 107 points.
Roger Clemens, Boston (8) 77.
Dave Stewart, Oakland (3) 43.
Bobby Thigpen, Chicago (2) 20.
Dennis Eckersley, Oakland 2.
Dave Stieb, Toronto 2.
Chuck Finley, California 1.

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#90317u1968 11/13/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (NOV. 13) UPI - A defense factory spill of a deadly cyanide compound has poisoned Latvia's main river, killing 300,000 fish and leaving one- third of the capital of Riga without water, officials said Tuesday.

Acetone cyanohydrin gushed from the plant in the republic of Byelorussia for 15 hours last week into the Western Dvina River in an ecologocial disaster that will have lasting effects, said Janis Peters, chief of the Latvian Mission in Moscow. The cause of the spill was not known.

A videotape viewed by reporters at the Latvian Mission showed droves of fishleaping from the water and dying on the banks of the river in the Latvian city of Jekabpils.

''The concentration of chemicals in this region was so high that the smell of poison filled the air near the river,'' Peters said. ''People living in cities and villages along the river began to panic.''

''Residents of Jekabpils saw a terrifying picture as fish, suffocating in the poisoned water, sprang out by the hundreds onto the river bank, where they died from the disintegration of their gills,'' he said.

The Western Dvina River, called the Daugava in the Latvian language, flows northwest from Byelorussia through Latvia, where it is a main source of potable water for the Baltic republic.

The river feeds three main reservoirs in Riga, a city of nearly 1 million people. One of the reservoirs has been closed by the disaster.

Peters and other Latvian officials accused Byelorussian authorities of failing to inform them of the accident and charged the Soviet government with callousness in responding to the disaster.

Byelorussian officials say 5 tons of the chemical escaped from the Polimer defense factory in the city of Novopolotsk on Nov. 4 and 5, but Peters said that Latvian specialists believe the discharge was 10 times larger.

Latvian officials said several people who ate contaminated fish suffered food poisoning, and that the Latvian Parliament had set up an emergency commission to deal with the crisis.

Latvian health officials learned of the spill Nov. 6 when residents of Kraslava, a Latvian city near the Byelorussian border, reported that ''they were horrified to see a huge quantity of dead fish,'' Peters said.

Riga Mayor Andres Inkulis said that 70,000 kindergartners and schoolchildren are homebound because their schools do not have water.

Inkulis said the lack of potable water has also forced one-fifth of all enterprises and nearly one-third of the restaurants in the Latvian capital to shut down.

Peters said the disaster has caused $34 million in direct economic damage and as much as $510 million in indirect damage such as lost work time.

Latvian Deputy Prime Minister Arnis Kalninsh said senior Soviet officials responded with silence when he sought their help in responding to the disaster at a Nov. 9 meeting of the U.S.S.R. Council of Ministers.

Peters said that the U.S. and Swedish governments had offered to send specialists and provide humanitarian aid.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
NFS Financial Corp				
Sterling Electronics				
Stock Split				
Bridgford Foods Corp - 3-for-2				
Stock				
Merchants Bancshares	..	5PC	12-7	11-23
Increased				
City Holding Co	Q	.12	12-15	12-1
Reynolds & Reynolds	Q	.21	1-11	12-7
SunTrust Banks Inc	Q	.23	12-15	12-1
Washington REIT	Q	.29	12-28	12-7
Distribution				
Samson Energy Co LP	..	.40	12-31	11-30
Usual				
BEI Electronics Inc	Q	.02	12-3	11-23
Boatmen's Bancshares	Q	.53	1-1	11-30
Chemical Waste Mgmt	Q	.04	1-3	12-19
Cleveland-Cliffs Inc	Q	.20	12-28	12-17
Echo Bay Mines Ltd	S	.03 3/4	12-31	12-14
Florida Employers Ins	Q	.07	11-30	11-15
Gallagher (Arthur J)	Q	.15	1-15	12-31
GTE Corp	Q	.39 1/2	1-1	11-23
Guardsman Products	Q	.12 1/2	12-17	12-3
Harris & Harris Group	Q	.01	12-14	11-30
Intl Paper	Q	.42	12-17	11-23
Paramount Communictns	Q	.17 1/2	1-1	12-14
Smith Corona Corp	Q	.05	1-7	12-21

Summit Bancshares Inc ..	.12	12-18	11-23
Western Investment RET ..	.36 1/2	12-15	11-23

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-Annual

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - American League Cy Young Award winners:

1990-Bob Welch, Oakland
1989-Bret Saberhagen, Kansas City
1988-Frank Viola, Minnesota
1987-Roger Clemens, Boston
1986-Roger Clemens, Boston
1985-Bret Saberhagen, Kansas City
1984-Willie Hernandez, Detroit
1983-LaMarr Hoyt, Chicago
1982-Pete Vuckovich, Milwaukee
1981-Rollie Fingers, Milwaukee
1980-Steve Stone, Baltimore
1979-Mike Flanagan, Baltimore
1978-Ron Guidry, New York
1977-Sparky Lyle, New York
1976-Jim Palmer, Baltimore
1975-Jim Palmer, Baltimore
1974-Jim Hunter, Oakland
1973-Jim Palmer, Baltimore
1972-Gaylord Perry, Cleveland
1971-Vida Blue, Oakland
1970-Jim Perry, Minnesota
1969-Mike Cuellar, Baltimore and Denny McLain, Detroit
1968-Denny McLain, Detroit
1967-Jim Lonborg, Boston (AL)

One winner for both leagues
1966-Sandy Koufax, Los Angeles (NL)
1965-Sandy Koufax, Los Angeles (NL)
1964-Dean Chance, California (AL)
1963-Sandy Koufax, Los Angeles (NL)
1962-Don Drysdale, Los Angeles (NL)
1961-Whitey Ford, New York (AL)
1960-Vern Law, Pittsburgh (NL)
1959-Early Wynn, Chicago (AL)
1958-Bob Turley, New York (AL)
1957-Warren Spahn, Milwaukee (NL)
1956-Don Newcombe, Brooklyn (NL)

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#90317u1999 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - The Securities and Exchange Commission brought civil charges in federal court Tuesday against two West Coast men it said engaged in insider stock trading based on pre-release copies of Business Week magazine.

An SEC complaint filed in U.S. District Court accused Stephen R. Rasinski and Lawrence M. Small, both of the Newport Beach, Calif., area, of obtaining stock tips from magazines a third man obtained from Business Week's printer.

The SEC filed a complaint last week against that alleged accomplice, John L. Petit of Boca Raton, Fla. Petit simultaneously consented to a final judgement enjoining further violations and obliging him to pay $196,529.

The latest SEC complaint charges Rasinski and Small paid money to Petit, who allegedly was obtaining pre-release copies of the magazine from an employee of the Torrance, Calif., printing plant, to share the information.

SEC complaints said Shayne A. Walters, then employed by the R.R. Donnelly and Sons Co. printers, was the initial source of the magazines.

SEC enforcement attorney Andrew Geist said Walters worked in Irvine, Calif., as a printing services salesman for R.R. Donnelly.

''It's alleged Walters was getting up at three or four in the morning, driving over to the printing plan, sneaking in through the loading dock and handing it over to Petit,'' Geist, an enforcement division branch chief, said.

In August 1989, Walters consented to an SEC judgement and paid out $62,000 in profits, penalties and interest. In September 1989, Walters pleaded guilty to two insider trading-related charges. He is awaiting sentencing.

Geist said Walters allegedly traded in his own account for a period, but then stopped and was simply paid cash by Petit. The SEC complaint said Rasinski and Small later paid ''substantial sums'' to see the bootleg magazine.

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NEW HAVEN, CT (NOV. 13) UPI - The Bill of Rights went on display Tuesday as chanting, shouting demonstrators protested treatment of gays and lesbians and demanded more be done to fight the AIDS crisis.

About two dozen protesters carried signs and blew shrill whistles at the New Haven Veterans Memorial Coliseum, where a traveling exhibit featuring the historic document and guarded by former Marines opened a four-day stay.

''We were there to scream,'' said Eric Cohen a member of New Haven chapter of ACT UP, or chapter of the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power, which organized the loud but peaceful protest that began on the street and moved inside the arena.

''Basically, we made a commotion and got our voices heard. We wanted to make it clear that there are a lot of people in the United States of America who are not included in the Bill of Rights,'' he said.

Busloads of school children and senior citizens were among the early visitors to the exhibit and many gaped as ACT UP members chanted and carried signs that read, ''ACT UP, fight back, fight AIDS.''

Many blew whistles and shouted slogans as police stood by, but did not interfere. There were no arrests, or serious incidents, police said.

The traveling exhibit sponsored by Philip Morris Cos. Inc. will stop in every state and also has prompted protests by various groups in other cities.

Original copies of the Bill of Rights are being displayed over a 16- month period to celebrate its 200th anniversary, with Virginia's copy the one on display in New Haven.

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TORONTO (NOV. 13) UPI - Canada's recession, lower trading volumes and reduced revenues means the Toronto Stock Exchange must eliminated 92 staff positions by year-end to cut costs, the market's president said Tuesday.

TSE President and Chief Executive Officer Pearce Bunting said 58 positions have already been eliminated year-to-date by a combination of attrition and not filling vacancies but that an additional 34 current employees will lose their jobs.

''It is unfortunate that people who made a contribution to the exchange's success have to be let go. Their loss will be felt,'' Bunting said.

The layoffs are part of a plan to cut overhead expenses by 12 percent in 1991.

Eliminating the 92 positions means the TSE will pare its expenses $7.2 million after absorbing $1.2 million in cost increases for payroll, property taxes, water and building operations and the estimated effect of a new federal sales tax.

''We believe that by taking action now, we can give greater assurance of continued employment to our remaining staff,'' Bunting added.

During 1990, the TSE also reduced costs by indefinitely suspending the

development of the consolidated trading and information system and postponing other new programs.

Bunting said the TSE intends to meet its 1991 budget goals without increases to its members but that if the exchange's financial position deteriorates further, charges to members will be adjusted.

''The TSE's long-range plan to be the preferred market for trading Canadian securities remains unchanged,'' Bunting said.

In November, executives of the No. 1 Canadian bourse travelled to New York to promote a market-by-price system, that gives U.S. stockbrokers and investors a ''look at the book'' of computer-entered share buy and sell orders.

The stock market data system provides ''real-time'' access to prices generated by Toronto's Computer-Assisted Trading System - known as CATS, a pioneer computerized trading system - and parallel exchange floor action.

Some 1,597 stocks are traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange, of which some 200 are bought and sold on other U.S. and international markets.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 13) UPI - Don't call Sgt. Michael Ange an anti-war activist.

''I am a soldier,'' he insists, ''and I firmly believe in the ideals of a strong defensive military designed to protect the United States and its Constitution.''

But don't call on him to fight an illegal war.

''The president is violating the U.S. Constitution and other existing laws by committing acts of war which have not been authorized by the Congress,'' Ange says, calling the recent buildup of U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf ''unlawful.''

And so it is that Ange, a 26-year-old Army National Guardsman attached to the 1450th Transportation Unit at Fort Lee, Va., is suing his government.

His lawyers appeared in federal court Tuesday seeking an emergency court order suspending his deployment to the gulf this week until a full hearing can be held on the constitutional question.

''We're filing a federal lawsuit challenging the president's authority to order Michael Ange to active duty in the Persian Gulf,'' said Michael Ratner, an attorney for the Center for Constitutional Rights, which is representing Ange. ''We believe those orders are violations of the War Powers clause of the Constitution and of the War Powers resolution.''

A federal judge declined to issue the emergency order, but another hearing on the issue was scheduled for Dec. 10.

The lawsuit comes as support for Operation Desert Shield appears to be crumbling on Capitol Hill and elsewhere in the wake of President Bush's announcement six days ago that he intends to double the size of the U.S. force in the Middle East.

Several lawmakers are urging the president to call Congress back into session to debate and vote on the military operation. Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., claimed there is ''an unraveling of support around the country'' for the deployment.

Ange's lawyers say he doesn't fall into the ''conscientious objector'' category, but instead fears Bush is pushing the United States toward a war without consulting his countrymen.

''We believe that this is a historic and critical moment for the American people,'' Ratner said, ''that they should have, as should Sgt. Ange, the consent of Congress and the American people before launching a war in the gulf.''

The 1973 War Powers Act requires the president to notify Congress within 48 hours when U.S. forces are in an area of ''immiment hostilities.'' Congress has 60 days to vote on whether to authorize the military action. Presidents have generally ignored the act and the courts have been reluctant to step into what many consider a political question.

''This is a political debate and it belongs in the political arena,'' said John Tyler, a government lawyer, in arguing against Ange's lawsuit Tuesday.

But Ratner argued at the hearing that U.S. troops are ''in harms way'' and ''basically in a situation that could lead to a shooting war.''

More than 230,000 U.S. troops have been deployed in Operation Desert Shield since August. It has claimed 43 American lives, including 10 Navy personnel killed Oct. 30 by a burst of steam aboard the USS Iwo Jima off the coast of Manama, Bahrain, and 13 Air Force personnel killed Aug. 28 in the crash of a C-5 cargo plane in Germany.

Ange's lawyers argue that the Persian Gulf operation falls into the category of ''imminent hostilities'' under the War Powers Act, even though no shots

have been fired.

Ange could not be in Washington for the filing of the lawsuit because he was confined to his barracks in Fort Lee. A police narcotics investigator from Greenville, N.C., he has been with the National Guard since 1982.

Reached by telephone at the base, Ange said he hopes his case will prod Congress into action. ''We're hoping more than anything else for the media attention to encourage Congress to enforce the War Powers Act and the appropriate articles of the Constitution.

''It appears,'' he added, ''Congress has been hiding from the issue.''

He denied his lawsuit, which also claims that a leg injury and ulcer make him unfit for combat duty, is designed as a back-door way to leave the military.

''Some people may say that and I'm not really concerned about what they think '' he said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Colombia announced Tuesday an agreement in principle has been reached with a committee of commercial banks on a $1.775 billion, four-year financing program.

The funds will be used to meet the Latin American republic's financing requirements from commercial banks during the period running from 1991 through 1994, according to Colombia's ministry of finance and public credit.

The ministry said Colombia is the only major Latin American that has not restructured its debt held commercial banks.

According to a ministry statement, Colombian representatives were ''pleased'' with the agreement in principle because it would provide ''very favorable'' financing at a time of ''difficult conditions currently prevailing in the financial markets.''

The financing program will consist of two facilities - an integrated loan facility provided by the banks of about $1.575 billion and a facility of floating rate notes.

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#90317u2087 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

CINCINNATI (NOV. 13) UPI - BASF Corp., which accepted blame for the July 19 explosion at its Cincinnati facility, said Tuesday it will pay the Occupational Safety and Health Administration a $1,060,100 fine as part of a

settlement for violations there.

BASF also said it will reimburse local police and fire departments for their costs in reacting to the explosion and will establish a $400, 000 trust fund to assist in retraining workers left unemployed by the accident.

BASF said in a statement from its Parsippany, N.J., headquarters it felt that ''the most productive use of its time and resources is in establishing and maintaining a safe workplace, not in contesting or litigating various points it may have at issue with OSHA.''

The settlement resolves all open issues with OSHA, but does not admit any wrongdoing, BASF said, adding that it cooperated fully with OSHA investigation.

''We have determined that the accident was caused by a build-up of pressure in reactor No. 6 as a direct result of the improper setting of a critical valve on the reactor,'' said J. Larry Jameson, president of BASF's Coatings & Colorants Division.

''After the accident, our investigation found that the main vent valve to the atmosphere was closed. For the process to function properly, it should have been open,'' he said.

''We have concentrated on meeting our responsibilities to those affected by the accident, including employees at the site. Establishing the trust fund to assist in retraining will help ease the transition for our workers,'' Jameson said.

BASF Corp., is the North American member of the BASF Group. The corporation employs approximately 21,000 people at about 55 major production facilities in North America.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Donald J. Trump said Tuesday he had broken off talks with an advisor for some of the investors holding bonds from Trump's ailing Taj Mahal Casino in Atlantic City, N.J., saying he made ''unrealistic'' demands.

''We saw no point in going forward,'' Trump said in a statement released late in the day by the Trump Organization, stating the cash- strapped developer had ''terminated'' negotiations with Wilbur Ross of L.F. Rothschild.

Ross, a senior managing director of the investment bank, has emerged as a key player in the latest challenge to the beleagured developer, who was bailed out of a similar squeeze in June by a $65 million bank loan.

Trump is not expected to be able to make a $47.3 million interest payment on the $675 million casino bond issue due Nov. 15. He has asked investors to take more bonds in lieu of payment, and restructure the ''junk'' issue.

Predicting the matter would end up in court ''for many years to come, '' Trump said numerous individual bondholders voiced interest in an agreement, ''but we are unable to make a deal with Mr. Ross and his group.''

Trump aide Stephen Bollenbach said the developer was still in talks with some investors. He said Trump's declaration ''was pointing out (that) we didn't feel the Rothschild firm was representing'' bondholders accurately.

''When we talked to bondholders, we found they had a much more realistic view of what could be done here in terms of restructuring,'' Bollenbach said.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 13) UPI - Prosecutors charged five civilians and an Air Force airman with destruction of government property Tuesday for the Veterans Day pipe bombings of two cars and the Office of Special Investigations (OSI) at McChord Air Force Base.

Five boyish-looking young men who appeared before U.S. Magistrate Philip K. Sweigert in Seattle were ordered held without bail until a detention hearing Thursday after the magistrate agreed with U.S. attorneys that the alleged crime represented an act of violence.

A government-appointed attorney for one of the suspects objected, noting her client was only charged with destruction of federal property worth more than $100.

''With bombs, counselor, with bombs - you don't think that's a crime of violence?'' Sweigert responded, rejecting the motion.

Government attorneys kept mum about the alleged motive for the bombings, which injured no one but destroyed two unmarked vehicles used by OSI agents and caused minor damage to the OSI building, where criminal investigations involving Air Force personnel are conducted.

The only word of a possible motive has come from the FBI, which has speculated generally that the bombings may have been in retaliation for past OSI investigations.

Charged under Title 18, Section 1361 of the U.S. Code were Arch D. Drummond Jr., 20; his brother, Michael J. Drummond, 18; Louis M. Baldassari, 19; Bryan Cotten, 19; Michael R. LeVasseur, 20; all of Lakewood, Wash., and Airman Steven Hawkins, 19, who is stationed at McChord.

Hawkins, who was not present in court Tuesday, is being held in the stockade at Fort Lewis and will be prosecuted under the military justice system, an Air Force spokesman said.

A complaint alleges that four of the defendants, Michael Drummond, Baldassari, Cotten and LeVasseur, met Saturday night in Baldassari's garage to assemble two pipe bombs.

According to the complaint, LeVasseur - the only defendant who retained his own attorney for Tuesday's hearing - told FBI Agent Alfred Gunn that Michael Drummond ''stated that Steven Hawkins and Arch John Drummond Jr. wanted to use the bombs against OSI.''

LeVasseur, the complaint said, said the group dropped Cotten off at his home because he was sick, went to Michael Drummond's house, where they were met by Arch Drummond and Hawkins, and departed for the base, stopping off at a gas station to fill two plastic containers with gasoline.

There, they went to Hawkins' barracks, where Hawkins told a fellow airman that if anyone asked he was asleep all night, but instead changed into dark clothing and left with Baldassari and Arch Drummond, the complaint said.

The other airman, Jason Hill, told the FBI that while those three were gone, the two remaining, who fit the description of LeVasseur and and Michael Drummond, made several comments, including talk of a 5-foot- long fuse, that they were going to hear some booms and that police dogs might track back to the barracks.

''Hill advised he heard two booms, and, looking out from his room, saw Hawkins John (Arch Drummond) and Baldassari coming toward the barracks from the direction of the OSI building, and that when they got to the room there were congratulations - hand slappings - among the group,'' the complaint said.

The bombs went off at 4 a.m. Sunday, heavily damaging two unmarked OSI cars, while a fire slightly damaged the office. Metal fragments from the cars were blown more than 200 feet. A small piece of pipe with a cap on one end was found about 100 feet from the cars. There were no injuries.

Air Force spokesman Staff Sgt. Randy Mitchell said terrorism or anti- war activity had been discounted as a motive because no group had claimed responsibility for the bombing.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 13) UPI - Occidental Petroleum Corp. said Tuesday that the United States Supreme Court has refused to hear a 1989 appeals court decision

that reversed a $500 million judgement against its MidCon Corp. subsidiary, Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America.

Occidental said that the reversal of the judgement became final after the Supreme Court denied a petition for certiorari filed by Colorado Interstate Gas Co.

The 10th Circuit Court of Appeals had reversed a trial court's ruling that Natural had breached a contract for the purchase of gas from Colorado Interstate and had attempted to monopolize the market for the long distance transportation of natural gas produced in Wyoming.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Atlanta - Placed pitchers Marty Clary and Dwayne Henry on waivers for the purpose of granting them unconditional releases.

New York (NL) - Added right-handed pitchers Anthony Young and John Johnstone to 40-man roster.

Texas - Waived pitcher Jamie Moyer.

Toronto - Added pitchers Denis Boucher and Mike Timlin and second baseman William Suero to 40-man roster; assigned pitcher Jimmy Rogers to Syracuse of International League.

BASKETBALL

Atlanta - Activated center Jon Koncak; waived forward Howard Wright.

LA Clippers - Placed forward Danny Manning on injured list; re-signed forward Cedric Ball.

NBA - Suspended Sacramento Coach Dick Motta one game and fined him $500 for bumping an official.

San Jose (CBA) - Traded center Ben Gillery to Rapid City for 1991 second-round draft choice and a player to be named; traded the player to be named and the 1991 draft choice to Wichita Falls for forward Kenny McClary.

COLLEGE

Iowa - Announced guard Dale Reed will transfer to Washington State at end of

semester.

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Released linebacker Marcus Cotton.

Miami - Placed wide receiver Mark Clayton on injured reserve; signed wide receiver Scott Schwedes.

New England - Waived offensive lineman Bob White; re-signed offensive lineman David Douglas.

Washington - Waived center Randy Kirk.

HOCKEY

NY Islanders - Traded defenseman Doug Crossman to Hartford for center Ray Ferraro.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - Senate leaders are calling for a special congressional session to discuss the U-S role in the Persian Gulf crisis. Even if that meeting does NOT come to pass, lawmakers are getting ready to hold committee meetings of their own. Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell says Washington's change from a purely defensive position to having the potential to go on the attack is a move that warrants discussion by the Foreign Relations and Armed Services Committees. Armed Services Chairman Sam Nunn of Georgia and Foreign Relations Chairman Claiborne Pell of Rhode Island say they hope to begin the meetings in a few weeks.

A 34-year-old Egyptian-born man stood silently next to his lawyer in a New York courtroom today as he heard murder charges leveled against him in the assassination of militant Rabbi Meir Kahane. The lawyer for El-Sayyid Nosair says he has subpoenaed hospital records and videotapes to prove the suspect was too heavily sedated to give police a legally admissible statement. After the hearing, more than 40 Nosair supporters in the hallways shouted ''God is Great!'' in Arabic. Nosair was returned to a prison unit at Bellevue Hospital.

The nation's Roman Catholic bishops meeting in Washington have adjourned for the day without announcing the results of their ballot on a proposal to urge that more money be spent on alcohol and drug treatment efforts. The pastoral statement also criticizes the U-S government efforts to curb the international drug trade. The bishops did reject a plan that would have allowed trained lay people to officiate at funerals and burials in instances where NO priest was available.

The makers of Koala Springs fruit-flavored mineral water voluntarily recalled the drink today after Florida health officials found up to 18 times the acceptable level of the cancer-causing substance benzene. Koala Springs International pulled the product from supermarket shelves throughout the United States and in Eastern Canada. In a statement released from its headquarters in Fremont, California, Koala said independent tests confirmed what it called ''minute'' traces of benzene in Koala drinks shipped to the East Coast.

Medical researchers say that men who take aspirin after a meal and then drink liquor increase the effects of the alcohol. The director of the Bronx, New York, Veterans Affairs Medical Center admits that while the increase is small, its could be significant for anyone driving a car or operating a machine.

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(NOV. 13) UPI - The White House is rejecting Indiana Senator Richard Lugar's call for a special session of Congress to debate what would amount to a declaration of war against Iraq. Lugar, the Number two ranking Republican on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, says a vote would show the world that Congress and the White House are of one mind for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. But White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says that's UNnecessary at this point. He says the administration wants to do everything to avoid war.

In another development, Iraq today sent envoys to Morocco and Libya to discuss prospects of holding an Arab summit on the gulf crisis. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak also headed for Libya on a similar mission. And Soviet President Gorbachev dispatched two senior diplomats to the Middle East to sound out Arab leaders on the summit issue. But Arab states continue to display a cool response to Morocco's call over the weekend for an Arab summit to avert war.

A government study shows nearly four-Million Americans drink water that contains unsafe levels of nitrates, which are often found in pesticide residue. In addition, the E-P-A study also found high levels of two pesticides in a significant percentage of groundwater supplies tested. However, E-P-A officials say the study concludes the ''vast majority of drinking water wells'' in the country contain insignificant levels of dangerous substances.

Senator Alan Cranston says he'll undergo radiation therapy for cancer of the prostate, beginning next week. Therefore, the California Democrat says, it'll be impossible for him to personally appear before the Senate Ethics Committee after this week. The panel opens hearings Thursday into allegations that Cranston and four other senators lobbied federal banking regulators on behalf of Charles Keating, who contributed one- point-three Million dollars to their campaigns and causes.

In Miami, deposed Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega may lose his

high-profile defense team and be assigned public defenders. A federal judge said today that Noreiga's attorneys may have to quit or agree to become lesser paid court-appointed attorneys if they don't find a method of payment by Friday. All but one of the lawyers say they can't stay on the case to defend Noriega against drug-trafficking charges if they are paid by the government at 75 dollars an hour. Prominent defense lawyers command upwards of 250 dollars an hour for their services.

The Bill of Rights went on display today in New Haven, Connecticut, amid chants and shouts by demonstrators protesting treatment of gays and lesbians. About two dozen protesters carried signs and blew shrill whistles at the New Haven Veterans Memorial Coliseum, where a traveling exhibit featuring the historic document opened a four-day stay. Police reported NO arrests or serious incidents.

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PALM SPRINGS, CA (NOV. 13) UPI - The political beat goes on for Sonny Bono, the entertainer-turned-mayor of this desert playground who announced Tuesday he is exploring the possibility of running for the U.S. Senate in 1992.

Bono, 50, half of the defunct singing duo Sonny and Cher who has been mayor of Palm Springs since 1988, announced Tuesday he is exploring the idea of running for one of the two Senate seats that need to be filled in 1992.

"I will begin researching what it will take to win the election and making myself aware of the issues that most concern the people of California," Bono told a news conference. "Recent events in California ... have convinced me that the time is right for me to explore the feasibility of my seeking election in 1992."

Bono, a Republican who ran for mayor because he was fed up with the "old boys network" he said controlled the resort town of 38,000, sounded a populist chord with supporters Tuesday, citing last week's elections as "a problem in communication between the people and the professional, career politicians."

"As a successful songwriter, singer, restaurateur, businessman, and now, mayor I have always tried to learn from my various successes and failures," he said. "I have shared the American dream and participated in the challenges that face every businessman and family in this great state."

Bono said he plans to form an advisory committee to begin raising funds for his exploratory effort and announce at a later date whether he is definitely in the running.

If he does decide to be a candidate, Bono would not be the first entertainer to parlay his fame into a California political career. Song and dance man

George Murphy served in the Senate and actor Ronald Reagan moved from the governorship to the White House.

Bono achieved show business celebrity with his wife as Sonny and Cher in the late 1960s and early 1970s, but their act dissolved when the couple divorced in 1974. Together they produced a string of hits, including "I Got You Babe" and "The Beat Goes On."

Bono, who lives with his fourth wife, had a relatively quiet life in Palm Springs, operating an Italian restaurant called "Bono" until re-emerging into the spotlight as a non-partisan mayoral candidate two years ago.

Last week, both of California's senators were eliminated from the 1992 race: the state's junior senator, Pete Wilson, was elected governor and Alan Cranston, California's senior senator, announced he would not run for re-election because he has prostate cancer.

As a result, voters will have the rare opportunity to elect two U.S. senators at the same time. So far, only Rep. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., and Rep. Robert Matsui, D-Calif.,have announced their intentions to run.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 13) UPI - Steffi Graf swept through the first three games, then struggled for survival against 14-year-old sensation Jennifer Capriati before claiming a three-set victory Tuesday night in the opening round of the $3 million Virginia Slims Championships.

Capriati, hitting each ball with reckless abandon, forced the world's premier women's player to fight for an hour and 54 minutes before capitulating, 6-3, 5-7, 6-3.

Three double faults by Capriati in the first game of the final set gave Graf the opening she needed, and the 21-year-old German protected that service break against repeated Capriati attacks before breaking again in the final game.

Capriati had break point in the fourth game of the third set and reached deuce on Graf's serve in the sixth and eighth games, but was unable to convert.

Capriati thus ended her first year as a pro with a match record of 42-11, earnings of close to $300,000, depending on the bonus pool breakdown, and a world ranking of No. 10. Graf, winner of her last four tournaments, has lost only four of 75 matches in 1990, but three of them came in Grand Slam events. If she wins this event, Graf will surpass $2 million for the year.

Earlier, Conchita Martinez, winner of her previous two tournaments, swept the

final nine games to upset Zina Garrison, 6-3, 6-0, and sixth seed Katerina Maleeva utilized a single service break in each set to defeat Helena Sukova, 6-3, 6-3.

After Graf blitzed her way through the first three games, Capriati played the defending champion even the rest of the set. She saved two break points against her in the fourth game, holding with an ace clocked at 97 mph, but was unable to threaten Graf's serve.

Capriati returned the favor in the second set, taking the first three games. Graf, though, broke back in the seventh game, helped by a Capriati double fault.

With the women seemingly headed for a tie-break, Capriati converted her second set point in the 12th game. Graf, serving at 30-40, thought she registered an ace and didn't realize for 20 seconds it had been called a fault.

Although Graf did win the point, on her next break opportunity Capriati unleashed a bullet-like forehand that Graf returned long.

''I'm happy I got to play in it and even happier I played a good match,'' Capriati said. ''I could have come in to the net more, I could have hit down the line on my backhand more and returned better.''

Garrison actually won the first two games of the match, but managed to take only one more against Martinez, ranked 11th in the world. Garrison double faulted on set point in the first set.

Garrison, who has a history of poor performances in this season- ending championship, managed merely 10 points in the second set as she bowed out in 58 minutes. This is the fourth time in the last five years Garrison was eliminated in the opening round, and last year she was a second-round victim.

''I think my mind wasn't there at all,'' said Garrison, the seventh seed who celebrates her 27th birthday Friday. ''This is really bad for me. I had no motivation, no pickup; it wasn't even that I was flat, it was like I wasn't here. When you're playing so bad you don't know how to get out of it, or even if you can get out of it.

''I've probably been looking forward too much to resting.''

Despite reaching the Wimbledon final, where she lost to Martina Navratilova, Garrison winds up what for her has been a disappointing season.

''I just had one good tournament, the rest of the year I didn't play well at all,'' she said.

After falling behind 2-0, Martinez won the next two games at love and broke

again in the fifth game. Garrison broke back immediately to draw even at 3-3, but that proved to be the end for her.

Martinez, who won in Indianapolis last week, converted her fourth break point in the seventh game and the 18-year-old Spaniard continued on from there.

''At the beginning I played really nervous,'' said Martinez, making her debut appearance in these championships. ''I haven't played on this surface, and it's really difficult to play on supreme, but I'm happy I controlled the match.''

Maleeva, ranked sixth in the world, broke Sukova in the fourth game of the opening set and in the fifth game of the second. Sukova had a break point in each of the second and fourth games of the second set, but was unable to convert.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	13	6	2	28	83	52
Philadelphia	11	8	1	23	72	66
New Jersey	10	8	1	21	71	63
Washington	10	9	0	20	61	60
Pittsburgh	8	7	2	18	75	65
NY Islanders	7	10	0	14	51	68

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	10	5	3	23	56	58
Montreal	10	8	2	22	64	63
Buffalo	7	6	4	18	58	50
Hartford	5	9	3	13	41	56
Quebec	3	13	3	9	49	78

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	12	6	2	26	66	45
St. Louis	12	4	1	25	62	43
Detroit	7	8	3	17	63	74
Minnesota	4	10	4	12	47	65
Toronto	3	16	1	7	54	96

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	12	4	1	25	78	51
Calgary	12	7	1	25	86	62
Vancouver	9	9	0	18	54	61
Winnipeg	7	10	2	16	60	63
Edmonton	2	11	2	6	39	51

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(NOV. 13) UPI - Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine says Americans deserve a full national debate about U-S goals in the Persian Gulf and the potential costs of achieving those goals. He says there's widespread concern over the shift from a defensive strategy in the region.

President Bush told a dinner for Senate Republican leaders tonight that he's ''more determined than ever'' to drive Iraq from Kuwait. Bush said- ''It is my view that the United States will and must NOT fail in its objective.''

A new poll published today indicates the president is losing public support on the Gulf crisis. The U-S-A Today poll says 51 percent of 615 Americans surveyed said they approve of how Bush is handling the crisis. That's down from 82 percent in an August 20th poll.

The nation's Roman Catholic bishops are joining the war on drugs. The bishops today considered a proposed pastoral statement urging more money for alcohol and drug treatment programs. But they expressed deep concern over the increasing militarization of the government's anti-drug efforts.

In another action today, the bishops rejected a proposal that would have allowed trained lay people to officiate at funerals and burials in instances where NO priest was available and where the mass was not celebrated.

The environmental group Greenpeace says it will try to stop tomorrow's nuclear weapons test at the Nevada Test Site. A spokeswoman says three women hiked into the test site area and are in position to disrupt the test. The Energy Department says security forces found NO trace of anti-nuclear protesters.

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#90317u2655 11/13/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 13) UPI - A Pentagon official denies U-S military manuevers planned on Saudi territory are intended as a provocation. The Washington Times says two-thousand Marines will conduct the landing exercise Sunday just 10 miles from the Kuwaiti border, within range of Iraqi shore positions and its Silkworm anti-ship missiles. Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams, however, says he doesn't think that report is accurate. But a full rundown on the exercise is expected

Thursday.

Authorities say a gunman, apparently shooting at random, killed at least eight people today in a quiet retirement village on New Zealand's South Island. Police say the gunman is a village resident in his 20's and is armed with two high-powered rifles. Police have cornered the assailant in salt marshes on the edge of the town of Aramoana near Dunedin. But they say the suspect continues to hold some 140 heavily armed officers at bay. The massacre is said to be the worst mass killing in New Zealand this century.

In the Philippines, typhoon Mike killed at least 14 people. The storm swept the central Philippines with torrential rains and 150-mile-an-hour winds, forcing nearly 240-thousand people to flee their homes. The so- called ''super typhoon'' trapped 17 people, including six Americans, on an offshore oil drilling platform. But they're reported safe... and was to be carried to land by a helicopter after the weather cleared.

A family member says Marlon Brando's 20-year-old daughter, Cheyenne, tried to commit suicide again, the second time in two weeks. The family says Cheyenne tried to hang herself at her mother's home in Tahiti, but was discovered Sunday by her mother. She reportedly was NOT breathing but her heart was still beating. The young woman was taken to a hospital and is said to be out of danger. Cheyenne has been charged with complicity in the May 16th shooting death of her boyfriend Dag Drollet in Los Angeles. Her half-brother, Christian Brando, has been charged with the killing.

Character actor David Willock has died of a stroke at age 81. A family spokesman announced today that Willock, who appeared in more than 200 movies in a career that spanned five decades, died yesterday at the Motion Picture and Television Hospital in Woodland Hills, California. The long-time actor usually played the leading man's sidekick. His movie credits included ''Hustle '' ''Emperor of the North,'' ''Hush, Hush Sweet Charlotte,'' ''Spellbound,'' ''Pinup Girl,'' and ''The Fleet's In.''

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CHATSWORTH, CALIF. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - International Remote Imaging Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:IRIS) Wednesday released unaudited results for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30 1990.

The decreased loss for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared with the same periods in 1989, reflects increases in product sales and research and development revenues, improved margins, implementation of planned decreases in selected operating expenses and the effect of compensation expense associated with common stock purchases by participants in the Key Employees' Stock Purchase Plan.

IRIS, a NASDAQ-listed Chatsworth company, manufactures and sells The Yellow IRIS urinalysis workstation, based on its patented slideless microscopy and proprietary image-processing technology.

International Remote Imaging Systems Inc.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales/revenues	$ 1,112,609	$ 1,144,995	$ 3,335,227	$ 3,034,129
Loss before Key Employees' Stock Purchases	(101,415)	(242,430)	(245,763)	(1,385,991)
Key Employees' Stock Purchase	(23,806)	--	(23,806)	--
Net loss	(125,221)	(242,430)	(269,569)	(1,385,991)
Average shares	19,453,046	19,321,417	19,365,776	19,321,417
Loss per share	(1 cent)	(1 cent)	(1 cent)	(7 cents)

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#90318b0015 11/14/1990 ~Business Wire

ANCHORAGE, AK (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Alaska Housing Finance Corp. authorized the sale and issuance of $35 million in mortgage bonds at their meeting Tuesday.

The money generated by the bonds will be used by AHFC to continue its Veteran's Mortgage Program, one of only five in the country that is permitted under federal tax law to issue tax exempt bonds.

The tax exempt collateralized bonds were sold through a competitive bid process as required by Alaska statute. AHFC received six bids for the bonds. The successful bid from Merrill Lynch resulted in a true interest cost of 7.508 percent.

The bond proceeds will be used to purchase Government National Mortgage Association Certificates (GNMA) and Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. (FHLMC) Participation Certificates representing pools of mortgage loans made to qualified veterans. The bonds are expected to be rated Aaa by Moody's Investors Service and AAA by Standard and Poors.

As required by federal law, the bonds are guaranteed by the state of Alaska.

The Collateralized Bonds 1990 First series are structured to permit recycling of mortgage pre-payments into new mortgage loans for approximately 10 years. As refunding bonds, they are exempt from the alternative minimum tax (AMT)

provisions of federal tax law.

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#90318b0018 11/14/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JOSE, CALIF. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Cygnet Systems Inc., manufacturer of high capacity, high performance optical disk jukeboxes, Wednesday announced the signing of an agreement with Digital Equipment Corp. to perform third party servicing for Cygnet jukeboxes.

The agreement covers both the Series 1800 Expandable Jukeboxes for 12 inch optical disk drives and the high performance, Series 5250 for LMS LD 510 5.25 inch optical disk drive.

The agreement initially covers the United States, but is expected to be expanded to Europe, Canada and the Pacific Rim where Cygnet also has a significant number of installations.

''It is very important to us to make sure that the end-user experiences maximum uptime with the jukebox. It is particularly important since we distribute our products exclusively through resellers. We want to make sure that our customers have access to reliable service organizations to service our products,'' said Wayne Augsburger, vice president of marketing for Cygnet.

''We have a reputation for making reliable products, and we need to ensure that our jukeboxes receive dependable service to reenforce this reputation,'' he added. '' The ability to offer a wide range of service alternatives allows us to satisfy the needs of a larger range of customers and increases our market coverage.''

Digital Equipment Corp., headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computing systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desk top to the data center.

Cygnet Systems Inc., headquartered in San Jose, is a peripheral products company that designs and manufactures robotic mass storage devices. Announced products consist of high performance optical disk jukeboxes for 12 inch and 5.25 inch optical disk drives and media.

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CARLSBAD, CALIF (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Decom Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:DSII) Wednesday announced a net loss for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $295,000, or 11 cents share, on revenues of $8,454,000, compared with net income of $457,000, or 17 cents per share, from revenues of $8 million last year.

For the fourth quarter the net loss was $226,000, or 8 cents per share, compared with net income of $44,000, or 2 cents per share, in the same quarter last year. Revenues were $1,885,000, compared with $2,084,000 in the fourth quarter last year.

Jack Robinson, president of Decom Systems, said the quarter's loss reflected nearly $400,000 in delayed orders for DSI's high-margin telemetry, tracking and control equipment due partly to budget uncertainties and the diversion of resources to operation "desert shield" in the Middle East.

Robinson added, "To return to profitability in 1991, we have refocused our product development and marketing efforts, streamlined and restructured operations to reduce annual costs by $400,000. With the Quad 7 telemetry data processing system and 7735 high performance bit synchronizer now well positioned for growth, DSI will enter 1991 as a strong competitor for high performance telemetry equipment and systems."

Backlog at September 30, 1990 was to $2.8 million, compared with backlog of $2.5 million at September 30, 1989.

Robinson noted that DSI's Quad 7 integrated telemetry system has received recognition for its outstanding performance in supporting Northrop's successful flight test program for the Air Force's Advanced Tactical Fighter.

Robinson also said the 7735 high performance bit synchronizer was recently delivered to selected customers who have confirmed its overall performance is unmatched by competitive products. "The Quad 7 and 7735 represent the highest performance telemetry data acquisition system in their market," he said.

Decom Systems Inc. designs, manufactures and integrates aerospace telecommunications equipment and systems for military and commercial users.

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#90318b0030 11/14/1990 ~Business Wire
SACRAMENTO, CALIF. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - David C. Hardie, chairman and chief executive officer, of Hallador Inc. and Affiliates, has been elected to the board of directors of American Recreation Centers Inc. headquartered in Sacramento, Calif.

Hardie, 40, brings a diverse business background to the board of ARC. He is currently a director of several other companies including Freedom Newspapers Inc., Merksamer Jewelers Inc., Pacific Rice Products and Hallador Petroleum Co. Hardie has managed financial and administrative matters in such businesses as publishing, food products, and electronic instrumentation companies.

''We are pleased to have Dave join the board and look forward to the experience and insight his background will provide the board,'' said Robert Crist, president and chief executive officer. Crist added, ''Many of the issues that face today's board of directors requires input from all sectors of business and professional community and the addition of Dave Hardie will further strengthen the ARC board.''

Hardie has been with Hallador Inc. since its inception in 1979, and prior to that he was more actively involved in Freedom Newspapers Inc., a family owned business. Hardie has a business degree from California Polytechnic State University and graduated from the Harvard Business School, Owner/President Management Program in February 1990. He is also a member of the National Association of Corporate Directors.

American Recreation Centers Inc. is the largest publicly held corporation in the country devoted primarily to the operation of bowling centers. The company operates 27 bowling centers, 22 in California, and five in Texas with an aggregate 1,126 lanes.

The company is also active in the development and management of real estate. Real estate activities include management and operation of bowling division real estate as well as conversion of non-productive real estate assets, including non-profitable bowling centers, into more productive assets.

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#90318b0032 11/14/1990 ~Business Wire
VENTURA, CA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Benton Oil and Gas Co. (OTC:BNTN) Wednesday announced record results of operations for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter were $1,496,478 compared with $176,108 for the same quarter of 1989. Third quarter expenses were $993,410 for 1990, compared with $280,659 for 1989. The net income for the quarter was $503,068, or 11 cents per share, compared with a 1989 third-quarter loss of $104,551, or 5 cents per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $2,159,366, compared with $280,008 for the same period of 1989. Nine-month expenses were $2,336,828 for 1990, compared with $670,289 for 1989. The net loss for the nine months of 1990 was $177,462, or 5 cents per share, compared with a corresponding 1989 period loss of $390,281, or 22 cents per share.

The company's oil sales were significantly impacted by the Persian Gulf situation during the third quarter. The average price per barrel of oil at West Cote Blanche Bay increased to approximately $31.59 in September from approximately $16.82 in July. The company expects oil and gas production and revenues to increase during the remainder of 1990 as its acquisition and development efforts at West Cote Blanche Bay and Pershing continue.

Also, the company experienced relatively high levels of repair and maintenance lease operating costs during the first half of 1990. Benton expects fewer of these activities during the remainder of 1990 and that lease operating costs will decline relative to oil and gas revenues. The company believes that as it continues to grow, results from operations during 1990 will not be comparable to the results of corresponding prior periods.

Benton Oil and Gas Co., based in Ventura, is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with operations in California, Colorado, Oklahoma, Mississippi, Texas and Louisiana. Its common stock (symbol BNTN) is traded OTC.

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CAMARILLO, CALIF. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Everest & Jennings International Ltd. (ASE:EJ.A/EJ.B) Wednesday announced that it has reached an agreement in principle with its primary domestic lender to extend its current long-term financing agreement.

This agreement provides for long-term financing through June 30, 1992, under favorable terms to the company.

Commenting on the agreement, Barre Rorabaugh, president and chief executive officer, stated, ''This financing agreement forms the foundation of the company's restructuring plan and, in conjunction with the company's new

products incorporating significant innovations and improvements and the extraordinary efforts of our employees, helps pave the way for future growth and profitability.''

Additionally, Rorabaugh indicated that the company will incur a substantial third-quarter loss resulting primarily from additional restructuring charges incorporating a provision for losses on the expected sale of the company's Camarillo facility. He also stated that negotiations with the company's principal shareholder concerning their secured and unsecured debt are continuing.

In a separate agreement, the board of directors elected Robert C. Sherburne as chairman. Sherburne has served on the company's board since 1982 and is a member of the board of directors of Zero Corp., a NYSE company.

Everest & Jennings is engaged in the design, manufacture and marketing of wheelchairs and other durable medical equipment to worldwide markets, primarily in North America and Western Europe.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Alaska Airlines Wednesday unveiled its first vacation packages to the three beach resorts it serves on the West Coast of Mexico -- Los Cabos, Puerto Vallarta and Mazatlan.

Packages include round trip airfare, hotel accommodations that span the budget spectrum, transfers between all hotels and airports and most taxes.

Eight hotels are available for the choosing in Puerto Vallarta, seven in Mazatlan, and nine -- plus a condominium -- in Los Cabos. Each of the properties is rated between four-star and deluxe.

Los Cabos airport serves the Southern Baja resort communities of Cabo San Lucas and San Jose Del Cabo.

''These packages represent some of the most affordable and attractive beach front opportunities around,'' said Bill McKnight, Alaska's vice president of marketing.

To illustrate: round trip airfare from Los Angeles, three nights lodging, most taxes and round trip airport-to-hotel transfers for two adults in Mazatlan is available for as little as $336 per person. A similar package from San

Francisco to Puerto Vallarta can run as low as $428 per person, while Seattle-Los Cabos can be as low as $506 per person.

Packages are available from each of the more than 60 cities Alaska and sister carrier Horizon Air serve in the West Coast and Rocky Mountain regions. Prices vary depending on season, hotel and days of travel.

For more information, contact your travel agent or call Alaska Airlines Vacations at 1-800-468-2248

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#90318b0062 11/14/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Gas and Electric Co. and Shell Oil Co. Wednesday announced jointly plans to install compressed natural gas dispensers at selected Shell service stations in PG&E's Northern and Central California service area.

The installations will be the first at retail service stations in Northern California. Final details of the program, including the number of dispensers to be installed, station sites, and the installation schedule, are being developed.

At the outset, the dispensers will be for use by fleet vehicles whose operators have signed contracts with PG&E for compressed natural gas (CNG) service. Later, it is expected that any vehicle equipped to operate on CNG will be able to refuel at the Shell locations.

PG&E's Bryan said that CNG now has a gasoline-equivalent cost of about 70 cents a gallon. He added that emissions from CNG vehicles are significantly lower than from vehicles powered by conventional fuels.

The utility has a proposal before the California Public Utilities Commission to add 25 more stations by the end of 1992 -- six at PG&E-owned sites, six at oil company service stations, and 13 at the refueling headquarters of major fleet users.

Of the 800,000 fleet trucks, vans and buses in PG&E's 94,000-square-mile service area, an estimated 50,000 are suitable for conversion to CNG operation Bryan said.

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#90318b0064 11/14/1990 ~Business Wire
GLENDALE, CA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Pollution Research and Control Corp. (NASDAQ:PRCC) Wednesday reported it had received a contract award from the South Korean EPA for approximately $550,000 for air pollution monitoring instruments.

A. E. Gosselin Jr., president and chief executive officer, said that, ''Since 1988, when the company was awarded monitoring for the Olympic Games, PRCC has received every EPA award for air pollution monitoring systems in South Korea.''

Gosselin also stated, ''This award is particularly gratifying since, as the smallest company in this field of business, we now are the single largest supplier in South Korea, more than all others combined. This factor is even more important when the immensity of the remaining market is considered.''

Gosselin noted that a significant factor in the award process was that, regardless of size, PRCC is the only company that designs and manufactures all components of an air pollutant monitoring system. He added, ''Our lead in technology is finally overcoming the marketing power of size.''

Pollution Research and Control designs, manufactures and markets air pollution monitoring instruments, nationally and internationally, under the trade name Dasibi.

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#90318b0070 11/14/1990 ~Business Wire
DALLAS (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Income Opportunity Realty Trust (ASE:IOT) Wednesday announced operating results for the third-quarter and nine-months ended Sept. 30.

For the three-months ended Sept. 30 the trust recorded a net loss of $7.3 million, or $1.98 per share, on revenues of $2 million, compared with a net loss of $3 million, or 75 cents per share, on revenues of $3.1 million in the third quarter of the prior year.

For the nine-months ended Sept. 30 the trust recorded a net loss of $8.5 million, or $2.28 per share, on revenues of $6 million, compared with a net

loss of $4.9 million, or $1.30 per share, on revenues of $10.5 million in the first nine months of 1989.

As previously indicated, Income Opportunity Realty Trust recorded a provision for losses of $6.6 million in the third quarter of 1990. The total provision for losses was $7.3 million in the first nine months of 1990.

These provisions were a result of the in-substance foreclosure of a mortgage loan in the second quarter, and the permanent impairment of a joint venture equity property and a loss reserve on a second mortgage lien secured by an office building in the third quarter.

Income Opportunity's financial condition has seriously declined in recent years and liquidity has weakened.

The trust reported that it will be unable to generate sufficient cash to meet its various cash requirements during the remainder of 1990 and in 1991 unless it is able to liquidate a substantial portion of its assets or attain financing against its unencumbered properties and mortgages receivable.

As a consequence, there is no assurance that the trust will have sufficient liquidity to meet its obligations.

Income Opportunity Realty Trust is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

INCOME OPPORTUNITY REALTY TRUST
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	Three months ended Sept. 30,		Nine months ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$ 1,959	$ 3,057	$ 6,010	$ 10,478
Net loss	$ (7,342)	$ (2,990)	$ (8,492)	$ (4,945)
Per share	$ (1.98)	$ (0.75)	$ (2.28)	$ (1.30)
Weighted avg. shares outstanding	3,699,066	3,989,203	3,722,261	3,794,707

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - At their regular meeting on Nov. 14 1990, the board of directors of BMA Corp. (BMAC) approved the following:

- declared a regular quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share payable Dec. 4

to stockholders of record Nov. 27. This is the 140th consecutive dividend paid.

- reduced board membership to 12 directors, from the 15 serving prior to the recent sale of its insurance subsidiary, Business Men's Assurance Co.

BMAC chairman of the board, W. D. Grant, said, ''We gratefully appreciate the many contributions to the board made by Oscar R. Klein, J. William Sayler Jr., John E. Walker, Arthur J. Doyle, William L. Adams, and Charles E. Yonkers, as they step down from the board after many fine years of service. We are pleased to welcome to the board three new members: John H. Robinson, Jr., executive partner of Black & Veatch; and Beth S. Hall and James R. Seward, senior vice presidents, BMA Corp.''

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Basic Earth Science Systems Inc. had net income of $90,000, less than one cent per share, on oil and gas sales of $975,000 for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $25,000, less than one cent per share, on oil and gas sales of $854,000 for the comparable 1989 period, it was announced Wednesday by G.W. Breuer, president.

The increase in sales revenue was primarily due to the recent surge in oil prices. Normal production decline from 40,698 barrels in the 1989 period to 39,711 barrels in the 1990 period was more than offset by an increase in the average price per barrel fom $17.38 in 1989 to $19.94 in 1990.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 Basic had net income of $117,000, less than one cent per share, on oil and gas sales of $552,000 compared to a net loss of $57,000, less than one cent per share, on oil and gas sales of $403,000 for the comparable 1989 period.

Once again, the increase in sales revenue can be attributed to the upward swing that oil prices have seen since the beginning of August 1990. Basic's average price per barrel in the 1990 quarter was $23.64 compared to an average price of $17.08 per barrel in the 1989 quarter.

Basic is an oil and gas exploration and production company with primary operations in south Texas and the Williston and Denver-Julesburg basins in the Rocky Mountain region. Basic is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol BSIC.

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SANTA ANA, Calif. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - GB Foods Corp. (NASDAQ:GBFC) announced Wednesday increased revenues and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues increased to $1,359,993, up from $826,204 registered in the year earlier third-quarter period. Earnings before taxes increased to $31,688, up from $30,214. Net earnings decreased due to higher taxes to $13,188, compared with last year's third-quarter net earnings of $20,014.

Nine-month revenues increased to $3,643,797, up from $2,733,983 registered in the year earlier comparable period. Net earnings increased to $120,666, up from last year's nine-month net earnings of $69,764.

The company also disclosed Wednesday that it anticipates the signing of 10 new Green Burrito franchises prior to the end of the calendar year.

According to Robert Gibson, executive vice president of GB Foods, ''During the months of September and October the company suspended the sale of franchises in order to amend certain conditions of its franchise agreement. The company has just reopened franchise sales and is forwarding its backlog of 25 disclosure documents and franchise agreements out to franchisees for signature.''

''Furthermore, we are experiencing a greater demand for franchises than had been anticipated when the company made its initial public offering in August of 1990.''

GB Foods operates a 32-store chain of high-quality fast-food restaurants under the name of The Green Burrito. All of the company's locations are in Southern California. The company offers traditional Mexican fare, which are specially formulated to produce milder flavors than are typically associated with Mexican food. All food is prepared in the company's central commissary in order to insure the high quality and consistency of product.

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DALLAS (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Transcontinental Realty Investors Inc. (NYSE:TCI) Wednesday announced operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company recorded a net loss of $5.7 million, or $1.78 per share, on revenues of $6.9 million, compared with a net loss of $793,000, or 25 cents per share, on revenues of $7.6 million in the third quarter of the prior year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company recorded a net loss of $7.8 million, or $2.43 per share, on revenues of $20.4 million, compared with net income of $703,000, or 23 cents per share, on revenues of $23.9 million in the first nine months of 1989.

Transcontinental recorded a provision for losses of $4.8 million in the first nine months of 1990 in connection with the foreclosure of a mortgage loan, the anticipated foreclosure of a mortgage loan secured by an apartment complex and a loss reserve on a first mortgage lien secured by two commercial buildings.

The company's provision for losses for the first nine months of 1989 was $476,000. During 1990's third quarter, the company acquired a 45 percent general partner's interest in a joint venture. As previously announced, this partnership purchased, for $2.7 million, a 55-unit apartment complex in Dallas with money loaned by Transcontinental.

Also during the third quarter the company initiated an odd-lot repurchase program. The program expired on Oct. 31, at which time the company had acquired approximately 150,000 shares.

Transcontinental Realty Investors Inc. is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Carolco Pictures Inc. (NYSE:CRC) Wednesday announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 increased 151 percent to $90,626,000 from $36,076,000 for the same period last year. Net income before payment of preferred stock dividends was $1,407,000 compared with $5.06 million for the third quarter of 1989.

Net income attributable to common stock of $220,000 for the third quarter 1990 includes payment of preferred dividends of $1,187,000 on the company's Series B and Series C Convertible Preferred Stock. For the third quarter Carolco recognized $4,302,000 as its share of the operations of LIVE Entertainment. During the third quarter of 1989, LIVE's contribution of $6,863,000 included

approximately $4.4 million from the proceeds of a key man life insurance policy.

Earnings per share were 5 cents for the quarter before taking into account the payment of the Preferred Stock dividends, compared with 17 cents for the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share attributable to common stock was 1 cent for the three-month period.

For the full year it is anticipated that the preferred dividends paid will not be included in the earnings per share calculations as such inclusion would be anti-dilutive.

Carolco Pictures is a diversified entertainment company which finances, produces and leases motion pictures for exhibition in domestic (United States and Canada) and foreign theatrical markets and for later worldwide release in all media including home video and pay and free television.

Carolco includes Orbis Communications, a leader in the television distribution and advertising sales industry, the IndieProd company, an IndieProd company, an independent motion picture production company headed by Dan Melnick, Carolco Licensing which arranges licenses for characters and similar rights for motion pictures, and Carolco Music which handles the development and exploitation of music publishing rights.

Carolco owns a 47 percent interest in LIVE Entertainment Inc. LIVE is a diversified entertainment software producer, distributor and retailer, with headquarters in Los Angeles.

LIVE is the parent company of Los Angeles-based LIVE Home Video Inc., one of the nation's leading producer/distributors of home video; Lieberman Enterprises, one of the country's top rackjobbers of home video, music and personal computer software; and Strawberries Records Tapes & CDs, the dominant specialty music retail chain in the New England area, based in Milford, Mass.

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CULVER CITY, CA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Showscan Corp. (NASDAQ:SHOW) said Wednesday that it has extended its contract with its largest customer, Imagine Japan Inc.

According to the announcement made by Showscan President Roy Aaron, the new agreement provides for aggregate minimum royalties to Showscan over the next three years of approximately $4.5 million. Showscan has also awarded an extension of geographic exclusivity for three years to Imagine Japan and

broadened their product representation to include Showscan Specialty Theaters and specialty films.

Five previously contracted Dynamic Motion Simulators (DMSs) will be purchased over the next 13 months, completing the 10 DMSs originally ordered by Imagine Japan. Aaron said, ''We are particularly pleased with the additional vote of confidence in the Showscan technology that this contract extension represents.''

In commenting, Aaron said: ''An excellent relationship has developed between our two companies. Both companies are confident that many more than the initial 10 DMSs will be installed in Japan.

''This is especially true in light of Imagine Japan's participation in our new space-ride film and attraction being produced with Industrial Light and Magic, which we have begun marketing at the International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions convention in Washington, D.C. this week.''

Showscan Chief Financial Officer James Sorensen said the company values the increased minimum royalties and licensing fees, together with the confirmed equipment sales at more than $10 million. ''The extended contract doubles the minimum royalty and licensing fee per installation,'' he said, adding that ''in addition to the higher minimum royalties, the five newly confirmed DMSs should generate several million dollars in equipment revenue.''

Showscan develops and supplies advanced image and experience technologies to stimulate, entertain and educate the public. It is also developing products to use in high-definition television.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwest Gas Corp. (NYSE:SWX) recorded a third quarter loss of 34 cents per share, compared to a loss of 14 cents per share for the same quarter a year ago, according to George C. Biehl, senior vice president and chief financial officer.

The company's third quarter 1990 loss applicable to common stock was $6,723,000, compared to a deficit $2,743,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

Consolidated net loss for the quarter was $6,322,000, compared to a net loss of $2,299,000 for the same period in 1989. The gas segment's contribution to

the consolidated total was a deficit $7,604,000 during the current quarter, compared to a deficit of $6,694,000 recorded in the third quarter of 1989.

Biehl attributed the decrease in earnings from the gas operations segment to increased operating costs associated with providing service to the company's growing customer base, increased depreciation expense and general taxes relating to natural gas pipe replacement programs in Arizona, and costs for expanding and upgrading operating facilities.

Net earnings from the company's financial services subsidiary, PriMerit Bank, also decreased, from $5,173,000 in the third quarter of 1989 (contributing $4,395,000 to consolidated net income after deducting tax-effected carrying costs associated with its acquisition by Southwest Gas) to $2,341,000 in the third quarter of 1990 (contributing $1,282,000 to consolidated net income after deducting tax-effected carrying costs).

According to Biehl, the Bank's 1990 contribution to consolidated net income was lower than the previous year due principally to a decrease in real estate development income, a non-recurring gain on the sale of preferred stock related to its investment in the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. in July 1989 and increased general and administrative expenses due to the expansion of PriMerit's branch network in Nevada and Arizona, offset to a certain extent by a significant improvement in net interest margin.

Consolidated operating revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $168,850,000 up slightly from $168,341,000 for the same quarter a year ago. Average outstanding common shares increased to 19,682,000 during the third quarter 1990 from 19,087,000 in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, consolidated net income was $8,951,000, down from $20,559,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net income applicable to common stock was $7,737,000, revenues were $614,162,000 and earnings per share were 40 cents (based on 19,530,000 average outstanding common shares) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $19,215,000, $610,066,000 and $1.01 (based on 18,940,000 average outstanding common shares), respectively, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Southwest Gas is a diversified natural gas and financial services organization. It provides natural gas to over 800,000 customers in Nevada, Arizona and California. In addition, it provides gas for resale to almost 100,000 customers of Sierra Pacific Power Co. and CP National Corp.

PriMerit Bank markets a wide variety of consumer financial products and services through branches in Nevada and metropolitan Phoenix. A federally chartered savings bank, PriMerit also engages in residential real estate development in Nevada and California as well as single-family home lending in

Nevada, Arizona and California.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - William Pfeiffer has been named senior vice president of the Sprint Data Group, according to Ron LeMay, president of US Sprint.

Pfeiffer is succeeding Floyd Trogdon who will be retiring effective Feb. 28, 1991.

Pfeiffer's appointment is effective Nov. 19. He'll report to LeMay and be responsible for the planning, development, implementation and marketing of data products and services that will continue to position US Sprint as the data market leader.

''We're very pleased to have a person of Bill Pfeiffer's outstanding talent and industry credentials on board with Sprint,'' LeMay said.

Pfeiffer was vice president and chief operating executive of the Data Network Division of Northern Telecom where he had full profit and loss responsibility for Northern Telecom's data packet network product line serving the domestic commercial, telco and government markets. Prior to joining Northern Telecom in 1986, he was vice president, MIS for ITT Telecom, North America.

Until his retirement, Trogdon will continue to report directly to LeMay assisting in the integration of data strategies with the other high focus activities of the long distance division.

''When Floyd accepted his current assignment, we understood he was looking forward to retirement in early 1991,'' LeMay said. ''We're truly grateful for his 15 years of service to this company, and I'm personally appreciative for his leadership in the development of data capabilities that have made US Sprint the leader in the data market.''

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Seattle FilmWorks Inc. (NASDAQ: FOTO) Wednesday announced record net income of $2,095,000, or $1.09 per share, for the fiscal year ended Sept. 29, 1990.

This represents a 24 percent improvement over income for fiscal 1989 of $1,693,000, or 86 cents per share, excluding a gain from settlement of lawsuit in fiscal 1989. Net revenues for fiscal 1990 were $32,674,000, up 6 percent from $30,682,000 in fiscal 1989.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, net income was $1,138,000, or 60 cents per share, compared to $959,000, or 50 cents per share, for the same period of fiscal 1989. Net revenues for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were $9,910,000, up 3 percent from $9,627,000 for the same quarter of the previous fiscal year. Adjusting for the extra week in the fourth quarter in fiscal 1989, the fourth quarter revenue in fiscal 1990 is up approximately 10 percent.

''Our record earnings, which were partially due to the elimination of long-term debt, reflect a very successful year and position us well for the future,'' stated Gary Christophersen, president and chief executive officer. He also noted that the Nov. 12, 1990, issue of ''Forbes'' magazine ranked the company 10th in Forbes' 1990 list of the ''200 Best Small Companies in America.''

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DURANGO, COLO. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - James C. Sheppard, president of Centennial Savings Bank, F.S.B., announced fiscal 1990 earnings of $761,000, or $1.21 cents per share for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to $509,000, or 81 cents per share, for the year ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Sheppard said, ''The improved earnings picture is reflective of the bank's acquisitions in the Grand Junction, Colo., and Montrose, Colo., markets along with an improving economy in Western Colorado.''

At Sept. 30, 1990, the bank reported total assets of $159.7 million as compared with $116.3 million at Sept. 30, 1989. The Savings Bank operates branches in Durango, Cortez, Dolores, Grand Junction, Montrose and Pagosa Springs in Western Colorado and a mortgage subsidiary, Centennial Mortgage Corp., in Farmington, N.M.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - BHA Group Inc. (NASDAQ:BHAGA, BHAGB) Wednesday announced uanudited operating results for the fourth quarter and the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company's two domestic subsidiaries, BHA Co. and PrecipTech Inc., performed in line with historical growth rates. The company's German subsidiary, Filtra GmbH, performed at unacceptable levels and the board of directors approved a provision in the 1990 fiscal year to downsize Filtra's operations.

Net sales for the year increased 28 percent to $72,003,000 from $56,247,000 the prior year. Net sales for the fourth quarter increased 24 percent to $18,602,000 from $15,039,000 for the same period in 1989. Net earnings for the year declined to $2,621,000 (40 cents per share) from $3,887,000 (67 cents per share) for fiscal 1989. For the fourth quarter the company reported a loss of $1,340,000, or a loss of 20 cents per share, compared to income of $922,000 (15 cents per share) for the same period in 1989.

Commenting on the results, Michael T. Zak, president and chief operating officer, said: ''The company's domestic operations were within our expectations and continue to grow at historical rates. If shown separately, domestic operations would have reported year-end sales of $64,729,000 and earnings of 85 cents per share, compared to $49,831,000 and 72 cents per share for 1989.

Final audited numbers will be available within the next three weeks.

BHA Group Inc. manufactures and markets replacement parts and provides maintenance and rebuilding services for industrial air pollution control equipment on a worldwide basis.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Current Income Shares Inc. (NYSE:CUR) Wednesday voted unanimously to declare a quarterly dividend of 27.5 cents per share payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

Current Income Shares is a closed-end bond investment company managed by Union Bank.

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FREMONT, CA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Flextronics Inc. (NASDAQ:FLEX) Wednesday announced results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales totaled $4,875,000 with a net loss of $9,234,000 or 99 cents per share, as compared with sales of $43,499,000 with a net loss of $6,905,000, or 74 cents per share, for the comparable quarter of the previous year.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales were $33,832,000 with a net income of $780,000, or 8 cents per share, which included a gain on the recapitalization of the company's Asian operations of $14,698,000.

For the comparable period last year, net sales were $90,084,000 with a net loss of $9,182,000, or 99 cents. Weighted average shares outstanding were 9,281,000 for all periods.

Reported results include a provision of $6,911,000 for costs to be incurred in connection with the cessation of manufacturing operations at the company's plant in Fremont. Results for the quarter also include the company's 44 percent equity interest of $597,000 in the net income of Flex Holdings Pte. Ltd.

Flextronics Inc. is continuing restructuring activities begun in mid-1989. A key component of this restructuring was a transaction completed in June 1990, in which controlling interest in the company's Asian operations, now known as Flex Holdings Pte. Ltd., was sold to a group of institutional investors.

Following the cessation of electronics contract manufacturing operations in Fremont, Flextronics Inc.'s remaining activities will be management of its interest in Flex Holdings Pte. Ltd., and the operation of component testing laboratories in California and Maine.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - SAZTEC International Inc. of Kansas

City Wednesday announced a return to profitability for the three-months ended Sept. 30.

For the quarter revenues were $5,983,579 with a net income reported of $83,170 or 2 cents per share.

This turnaround in earnings is partially attributed to the acquisition of Advanced Automation Associates Inc. (AAA), a New England-based data management company. In comparison to the prior six months, SAZTEC also experienced increased revenues in other lines of business including a resurgence of telephone revenues.

According to Richard C. Thompson, president and chief operating officer of SAZTEC, ''The first quarter of fiscal 1991 reflected the improvement we anticipated. I'm confident we will continue this progress as a result of our enhanced revenue base.''

SAZTEC International Inc. is traded in the over-the-counter market and is quoted on NASDAQ under the symbol SAZZ.

SAZTEC International
Financial Highlights
Three months ended
Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
Revenue	$5,983,579	$4,381,239
Gross profit	1,747,897	1,637,789
Income from continuing operations	83,170	335,288
Net income	$ 83,170	$ 308,473
Earnings per share	2 cents	8 cents
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	3,702,878	3,801,170

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HOUSTON (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Plains Resources Inc. (ASE:PLX) Wednesday reported a net loss of $335,000, or 5 cents per share, on total revenue of $13,888,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

This contrasts with a net loss of $111,000, or 10 cents per share, on total revenue of $4,253,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

During the quarter, oil production increased 14 percent to 84,000 barrels from

74,000 barrels during the like period in 1989, and gas production increased 3 percent to approximately 1.1 billion cubic feet from about one billion cubic feet in the comparable quarter a year ago.

Average wellhead oil prices rose 26 percent to $22.70 per barrel during the quarter from a level of $18.02 per barrel in the prior year's quarter. Average wellhead natural gas prices, however, fell 14 percent to $1.86 per Mcf during the quarter from an average price of $2.17 per Mcf for the like period a year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, Plains sustained a net loss of $1.2 million on total revenue of $29,782,000, as contrasted with net income of $630,000 on total revenue of $14,511,000 for the like period in 1989.

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KASHIWAZAKI, JAPAN (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - A 12-foot-diameter sculpture called ''Atomic Universe,'' symbolically representing the structure of a typical atom, was dedicated here recently as a tribute to the pioneering work of the Tokyo Electric Power Co. in the development of commercial nuclear power for Japan.

The sculpture is a gift from GE Nuclear Energy.

The sculpture is a duplicate of one located at GE Nuclear Energy headquarters at San Jose, Calif., and erected in 1960. Top officials from area Japanese governments, Tokyo Electric Power Co. (TEPCO), Japanese industry and GE attended the dedication ceremonies held at the TEPCO Kashiwazaki Kariwa nuclear power station's visitor center, 140 miles northwest of Tokyo.

John A. Urquhart, GE senior vice president, speaking at the dedication, cited the sculpture's inscription: ''Celebrating the importance of nuclear energy development in building the friendship and prosperity of the peoples of Japan and the United States.''

Urquhart said, ''From the beginning your leaders recognized, as we are all experiencing today in the Persian Gulf, that every nation, not just Japan, has a national economic as well as a security interest in developing alternative energy sources.

''Today, thanks to the courage and foresight of your leadership, we're celebrating the successful utilization of one of the safest and most economic

solutions to this worldwide energy demand: Nuclear Energy.''

He continued: ''Nuclear energy will carry an increasing share of Japan's electricity growth. First, because its nuclear fuel is an engineered energy source that provides a high assurance of availability and price stability. And second, because nuclear is the most environmentally benign base load energy source available.

''It is free of the atmospheric concerns for pollution, greenhouse effect and acid rain.''

Calling TEPCO ''a world leader in nuclear power plant operation and safety,'' he said: ''The sculpture is a reminder that you are not alone in this pursuit. It does celebrate our joint nuclear energy accomplishments to date. In the future when we pass by this sculpture, I hope it reminds us more of the unlimited opportunities that this remarkable technology can bring to our collective future.''

Today, Japan has 21 operating boiling water reactors (BWRs) supplied by GE or its licensees, Hitachi Ltd. and Toshiba Corp. In addition, five BWR units are under construction and three others are in planning stages.

The Kashiwazaki Kariwa site will be the location for two advanced design GE boiling water reactors (ABWR), each rated 1,350 megawatts, and associated GE turbine-generators. Construction on the first unit will begin in 1991. The site currently has three BWRs operating, each rated 1,100 megawatts. Another two units of the same rating are under construction.

GE power generation technology accounts for 60 percent of Japan's steam-generating capacity and 80 percent of TEPCO's output, the largest privately owned power company in the world. GE nuclear technology accounts for more than 50 percent of Japan's nuclear generating capacity and 100 percent of TEPCO's.

Urquhart noted that one of GE's earliest relationships with Japan's utility industry began in 1905 when GE supplied equipment for a hydro-power station.

Electricity's share of Japan's total energy consumption is expected to expand from about 39 percent today to 43 percent in the year 2000. In 2010, it's expected to be 50 percent, growing to 62 percent in 2030.

''What is clear in this field of high technology exchange is that there is room for both sides to benefit -- the Japanese in needed electric power sources to drive its economy -- and we Americans in a favorable balance-of-trade return,'' Urquhart said.

The sculpture, fabricated by California artisan Alan Osborne, weighs 6,000 pounds. Its orbital rings are reactor-grade stainless steel symbolizing man's

conquest of the atom for peaceful purposes.

More than 150,000 people are expected to view the sculpture annually during their visits to the TEPCO center.

Of TEPCO's nuclear power program, Urquhart said: ''Together we have shown that nuclear energy development can build friendship and prosperity for the peoples of Japan and the U.S. On behalf of the people at GE, I wish to offer this Atomic Universe sculpture as a symbol of our friendship and as an inspiration to the people of both our countries to carry on in this spirit.''

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PLAINVIEW, NY (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - ARX Inc. (NYSE:ARX) reported financial results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the three months were $25,957,000 as compared to $20,993,000 in the same period last year. The company incurred a net loss of $(5,123,000), or (64 cents) per share, for the current three month comparable period.

The loss in the current period was attributable to a $5,266,000 loss in its T-Cas Corp. subsidiary, including allocable corporate overhead and interest expense. Included in this amount is a $4,400,000 loss reserve relating to revised estimates of contract costs on two telecommunications systems contracts scheduled for completion during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991.

ARX further announced that the loss for the first quarter caused the company to fail to meet certain covenents under its revolving credit agreements.

While the company and the lending banks presently are negotiating a restructuring of the credit agreements, there are no assurances that the company will be successful in its efforts to either enter into a new agreement or obtain bank waivers with respect to its non-compliance with such covenants.

ARX Inc. is engaged in the design and manufacture of a wide variety of electronic and magnetic products and mechanical systems with industrial and defense applications, and provides engineering and support services to governmental agencies. The company also owns a controlling interest in VTX Electronics Corp. (ASE:VTX).

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DALLAS (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Pratt Hotel Corp. (AMEX:PHC) reported a net loss of $2,171,000, or (4 cents) per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $2,813,000, or (6 cents) per share for the like period in 1989.

Net revenues for the 1990 third quarter amounted to $72,871,000 compared to net revenues for the 1989 third quarter of $73,598,000.

PHC's flagship property, the Sands on the Park in Atlantic City, N.J., reported net revenues of $69.7 million, a slight decrease from $70.2 million in the previous year. Casino revenues totaled $63.7 million, a .6 percent increase over the like three month period a year ago. For the first nine months of 1990, casino revenues increased 5.8 percent to $177.2 million.

''The Sands on the Park was one of only two Atlantic City casinos to post an increase in casino revenues for the quarter. This improvement comes in the face of a relatively flat casino industry as a whole and a slowdown in the general economic climate. Our slot revenue performance was especially favorable, with an 8.3 percent increase over the same quarter one year ago and a 13.2 percent increase for the first nine months of 1990,'' said William P. Weidner, president and chief operating officer.

Weidner noted that credit for the slot revenue increases was due to a package of slot marketing programs, including ActionCash, the company's recently introduced slot program that provides players with easy access to cash and complimentary incentives, along with the Paradise Isle high limit slot area and adjacent Island Club exclusive lounge, both introduced in the first half of 1990.

The company also noted that revenues were impacted favorably by an increase in the table games ''hold percentage'' of .9 percent over the like three month period one year ago. Hold percentage is the portion of gross wagering that a casino retains.

Operating costs were up just .1 percent for the third quarter compared to the previous year. ''We maintained revenues without increasing costs, thus allowing us to retain our operating margins while offering our guests outstanding customer service, superstar entertainment and special events,'' Weidner said.

For the nine months of 1990, Pratt posted a net loss of $16,383,000, or (32 cents) per share, compared with a net loss of $7,954,000, or (16 cents) per

share for the 1990's first nine months. Net revenues increased to $204.7 million compared with 1989's $193.8 million. The nine months results were impacted primarily by factors occurring during the first half of 1990 including, increased provisions for doubtful accounts, losses on obligatory investments and increased operating expenses.

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DAKOTA CITY, NE (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - IBP Chairman Robert L. Peterson announced Wednesday that IBP's board of directors has declared a cash dividend of 15 cents per share of common stock for the fourth quarter of 1990.

The dividend will be payable on Jan. 15, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 10, 1990.

IBP is the world's largest producer of fresh beef and pork, employing 25,000 people nationwide and overseas.

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AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Prime Medical Services Inc. (''Prime'') (NASDAQ: PMSI) Wednesday announced results for the third quarter of 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues decreased to $3,174,000 from $3,498,000 for the same period in 1989. The net profit amounted to $393,000, or $0.05 per share, vs. a net loss of $1,409,000, or $0.17 per share in 1989.

For the first nine months, Prime reported revenues of $10,173,000 vs. $10,413,000 in 1989. A net loss of $258,000, or $0.03 per share, compares to a loss of $2,961,000, or $0.35 per share, in 1989. The profit for the third quarter, 1990, included a non-recurring gain of $1,287,000 for the sale of the stock held by Prime in Employee Pharmaceuticals Inc., partially offset by approximately $470,000 of other non-recurring expenses related to insurance and taxes.

Prime Medical Services Inc. is engaged in providing non-medical management services to 47 cardiac rehabilitation clinics and seven imaging centers in 13 states.

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DALLAS (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Dallas-based United Medicorp Inc. (NASDAQ: UMCI), announced Wednesday that, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, expenses exceeded revenues by $2,374,173.

Net revenue for the period totaled $165,735.

During the third quarter of 1990, the dollar value of medical insurance claims processed by United Medicorp increased by 167 percent when compared to the second quarter of 1990, reaching $10,448,000. The company expects that most of these claims will be collected in, and should generate fee revenue for, the fourth quarter.

The company made significant third quarter expenditures to carry out a nationwide marketing campaign which included media advertising and telemarketing. The campaign promoted both UMC's basic claims management and collection service and its backlog collection service. As a consequence of this campaign, management believes that revenues will increase during the fourth quarter of 1990.

In addition, United Medicorp devoted extensive efforts and funds towards enhancing its computer systems, claims processing, management and collection services and customer reports to better serve its clients, especially the targeted hospital market. The company intends to implement these product enhancements during the fourth quarter.

During August, 1990, United Medicorp completed a public offering of its common stock which generated net proceeds to the company of $8.4 million. The proceeds have been used to pay off short-term debt, to fund the national marketing campaign, and to provide working capital to fund ongoing development of the company's computer systems and services.

Third quarter revenues were less than those of the second quarter primarily due to the completion of a substantial backlog collection contract in June. Subsequent backlog collection projects were not initiated until September, when the effects of the company's new marketing campaign began to produce positive results.

According to G. Ray Miller, chairman and chief executive officer of United Medicorp Inc., ''With the completion of United Medicorp's product enhancements and the favorable results of our recent marketing efforts, the company is well-positioned to pursue its objective of profitability in early 1991.''

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PARAMUS, NJ (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Drivefone Inc. (NASDAQ:DFON) announced total revenues of $2,259,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with revenues of $2,806,000 in the like period of the prior fiscal year.

The company incurred a net loss of $194,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $197,000 in the prior year.

Michael Pfeffer, president of Drivefone Inc., stated, ''Total revenues during the quarter declined by approximately 20 percent from the corresponding period in fiscal 1989. While revenues from cellular carriers increased 41 percent from the prior year to $818,000, such gains were offset by a decline in revenues from the sale of cellular telephone hardware,'' he said.

''The decline in cellular telephone hardware sales occured for several reasons including the significant decline in the selling price of the company's hardware products, and management's decision to generally limit sales of lower margin telephones to those customers who also acquire cellular service through the company,'' Pfeffer continued.

''However, in the face of declining revenues, the company was able to improve its overall gross profit percentages and reduce selling, general and administrative expenses, thereby reducing losses slightly from the prior year '' he added.

Headquartered in Paramus, N.J., Drivefone Inc. has branch offices in Norwalk, Conn. and Waltham, Mass.

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CHATSWORTH, CA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Image Entertainment Inc. (NASDAQ:DISK), one of the two largest licensors and distributors of laserdiscs in the United States, Wednesday announced financial results for the three and six months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $9,524,477, compared with $5,976,685, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, an increase of 59 percent. The net loss for second quarter of fiscal 1991 was $624,577 (less than 1 cent per share) vs. a net loss for the second quarter of fiscal 1990 of $218,945 (less than 1 cent per share).

Revenues for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were a record $19,710,855, compared with $10,663,526, for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989, an increase of 85 percent. The net loss for the first six months of fiscal 1991 was $512,717 (less than 1 cent per share) vs. a net loss for the first six months of fiscal 1990 of $313,569 (less than 1 cent per share).

Martin W. Greenwald, president and chief executive officer, stated, ''While pleased with the continued expansion in revenues during the three- and six-month periods just ended, our results would have been more impressive were it not for a shipping delay, which caused approximately $1.9 million in sales to be pushed into the first two days of our next quarter, which ends Dec. 31, 1990.''

''We attribute our sales growth primarily to increased consumer demand, an increase in the number of Image releases, an increase in number of laserdisc retail outlets, increased laserdisc manufacturing capacity and increased availability of laserdisc players at lower prices.''

Image Entertainment has exclusive licensing arrangements with companies such as CBS Music Video, Hanna-Barbera Home Video, HBO Home Video Inc., LIVE and Orion Home Video and wholesale distribution arrangements with Buena Vista Home Video, Warner Home Video, MGM/UA Home Video and MCA/Universal Home Video.

The company is also the national distributor of CBS/Fox Video product. To date, Image has released approximately 1,500 exclusive titles.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Corona Corp. (ICR.A, ICR.B - TSE, VSE, ME; ICR.A - AMEX) announced today that it had purchased privately 858,500 common shares of Prime Resources Group Inc. and acquired 200,000 common share purchase warrants of Prime through market purchases.

As a result, Corona now owns 19,664,532 common shares of Prime representing approximately 45.5 percent of the total shares issued and outstanding (excluding shares owned by subsidiaries of Prime). In addition, Corona owns warrants to acquire 555,555 common shares of Prime and a right of first refusal over warrants to purchase 1,025,000 common shares of Prime.

Corona has purchased the securities of Prime for investment purposes. Corona may increase or decrease this investment at any time as circumstances require.

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ST. LOUIS (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Invitron Corp. announced Wednesday revenues of $0.6 million and a net loss of $3.8 million, or 25 cents per share for the third quarter of 1990.

This compares with $1.9 million of revenues and a net loss of $5.7 million, or 37 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

Invitron had revenues of $3.3 million for the first three quarters of 1990, as compared with $9.8 million for the comparable 1989 period. The net loss for the first three quarters of 1990 was $13.3 million, or 85 cents per share, vs. $10.5 million, or 68 cents per share, for the comparable 1989 period.

Total operating costs and expenses for the third quarter of 1990 were $5.3 million which included $0.3 million in expenses in connection with the previously announced termination of approximately one-third of the company's work force which took effect in November.

Total operating costs and expenses for the first three quarters of 1990 were $17.8 million, which included $0.6 million in expenses in connection with the November employee terminations and an earlier termination of employees in April 1990. Total operating costs and expenses for the third quarter also included $0.7 million in expenses related to Invitron's employee retention plan.

During the third quarter of 1990, Invitron completed the sale of its investment in Tanox Biosystems Inc. for $2.4 million. A gain of $0.9 million was recognized on the sale.

Invitron continues to conduct preliminary and informational discussions with pharmaceutical and/or biotechnology companies in efforts to seek additional funds for the company through the sale of equity or assets and/or the establishment of licensing and manufacturing relationships.

Certain of these discussions recently have focused on the sale of company assets, including the company's manufacturing facility, and the possible establishment of a separately funded product research and development organization of which the company might own a minority interest. There is no assurance that any of these discussions will result in a transaction.

As of Sept. 30, Invitron had $4.1 million of cash and cash equivalents available for operating expenses. In filings made today with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the company reported, in part, that it will need additional funds from external capital sources in order to operate its business beyond 1990.

Invitron further reported that if its capital raising efforts do not generate additional funding in the very near term, then it will be necessary for it to further reduce employment and other expenses, to begin to liquidate its assets and to wind up its affairs.

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SANTA ANA, CALIF. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The First American Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:FAMRA) reported that the company reached record revenues again this quarter and was profitable for both the third quarter and year to date, despite increases in title losses and other claims.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were a record $185,949,000 compared with $176,984,000 for the third quarter 1989. Net income totaled $1,377,000, or 14 cents per share, as compared with $5,324,000, or 53 cents per share, for the third quarter 1989.

Revenues for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to a record $534,894,000, compared with $512,497,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income for the period totaled $2,787,000, or 28 cents per share, as opposed to $6,016,000, or 60 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

''Despite record revenues, provisions for title losses and other claims continue to depress earnings,'' said D.P. Kennedy, president.

''Although we are pleased with the increased market share as evidenced by the growing revenues, we are much more concerned with improving our profit structure,'' Kennedy continued. ''We are confident that the systems, procedures and training programs in place will substantially improve our claims experience, and thus our profitability, in the immediate future.''

The First American Financial Corp., based in Santa Ana, operates its title

insurance business through its principal subsidiary, First American Title Insurance Co., one of the largest title insurers in the nation.

The company offers title services through a network of more than 5,500 offices or agents in all 50 states. It also provides title services abroad in the Bahamas, Guam, Mexico, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the United Kingdom.

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LAGUNA HILLS, CA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Sir Speedy has opened quick printing centers in Taiwan and Colombia.

The company has also reached an agreement to begin operations in Spain and Portugal early in 1991.

In making the announcement Wednesday, Sir Speedy's president and chief executive officer, Don Lowe, said he expects substantial international growth and ''other pending developments'' could make the company the world's largest quick printing system by 1995.

Sir Speedy is already the quick printing industry sales volume leader. System-wide sales were $306 million in 1989, with 860 operating units.

The master franchise agreements in Taiwan, Colombia, Spain and Portugal could result in 100 new centers. According to Lowe, the openings are part of an ''aggressive international expansion'' that calls for 250 new international printing centers over the next five years. He expects most foreign growth to come from operations in Asia, South America and Europe.

Sir Speedy's first Colombian operation opened in Bogota in October. It is the first of 25 centers planned for Colombia over the next five years. Area franchisor Carlos Leyva is a publisher who has also brought Burger King and the first Apple Computer distributorship to Colombia.

The company's Taiwan operation opened in November. Also the first of 25 centers, it is located in the capital city of Taipei. Texas-educated chemical executive Sinoese Liou heads the investor group, which operates the area franchise. A second center will open in Taipei this January.

Recently, the Spanish government approved an agreement for 50 Sir Speedy Centers in Spain and Portugal over the next 10 years. The area franchisor for the two countries is Luis Fernandez. He is an executive with a leading American multinational packaged-goods company.

With competitive beachheads in Europe, Asia and South America, Sir Speedy's vice president in charge of international development, Ken Ross, anticipates strong international growth in 1991. ''Based on current interest levels, we expect to double the number of foreign countries with Sir Speedy operations next year,'' he said.

Sir Speedy Inc. established its first international operations in Canada and Hong Kong in the 1980s. The 22-year-old company is based in Laguna Hills.

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LENEXA, KS (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Office Reference Laboratory Inc. (HORL) Thursday announced net earnings for the third quarter 1990 of $2.9 million, or 22 cents per share, on revenues of $19.4 million compared with net earnings of $3.7 million, or 28 cents per share on revenues of $19.7 million the like quarter last year.

Total unit testing volumes increased in the third quarter 1990 compared to the like period in 1989. However, these volume increases were not sufficient to offset the impact of decreased unit prices, thus resulting in the decreased revenues. Unit prices decreased primarily as a result of competitive pressures and additional volume discounts.

Gwinett Laboratory Inc. (HORL's wholly owned, Georgia subsidiary) sustained heavy damage from a fire in the laboratory area on Sept. 1, 1990. All testing performed at Gwinnett has been transferred to HORL's Kansas operation and at present, HORL does not plan to reopen the Gwinnett facility. The financial impact of the fire loss and the closing of this facility, net of anticipated insurance proceeds, resulted in a net loss of $0.2 million for the third quarter.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Logic Devices Inc. (NASDAQ:LOGC) Wednesday reported net income of $222,000, or 5 cents per share, on net sales of $3,854,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

This compares with net income of $360,000, or 8 cents per share, on net sales of $3,231,000 for the prior quarter ended June 30, 1990.

Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989 was $830,000, or 18 cents per share, on net sales of $3,574,000. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30 was $1,015,000, or 22 cents per share, on net sales of $10,365,000. This compares with net income of $2,869,000, or 63 cents per share, on net sales of $11,416,000 for nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 quarter was restated upward by 9 cents per share, or $438,000 from those originally reported as a result of 1989 year-end audit adjustments reflecting changes in accounting policies on recognition of revenues on distributor shipment and capitalization of certain product development-related tooling expenses.

''During the third quarter, we enjoyed exceptionally strong booking activity on our ultra high-speed static memories. As the quarter unfolded we found that, in spite of a slowing economic environment and the usual summer doldrums for semiconductor sales, our revenue opportunities became limited by our ability to manufacture and test sufficient product to meet potential opportunities.

''To address this, we significantly expanded our manufacturing team which is diligently working to increase our production volume on new products. This challenge is continuously exacerbated by the number of new products entering the manufacturing system. These products should fuel the accelerated growth expected next year and beyond.

''However, we continue to be faced with a large number of new products entering the manufacturing system which present both opportunity and challenge. Thus, the challenge for the fourth quarter is to improve our manufacturing throughput to meet the increasing customer demand for these products. Overall, we feel well positioned to accommodate any occasional downside that may arise in this time of slowing economic activity,'' stated Bill Volz, president of Logic Devices.

Logic Devices manufactures ultra high-performance CMOS digital integrated circuits for applications requiring high operating speeds and low operating power. The company's products include performance leadership static random access memories (SRAMs), arithmetic computational circuits used in real-time and signal processing applications, and proprietary products which address specific application requirements.

The company's products are used in numerically intensive applications including computers, workstations, medical instrumentation, video image processing, and telecommunications.

Logic Devices Inc.
Statement of Income
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)
(unaudited)

	3 months ended Sept. 30		9 months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$3,854	$3,574	$10,365	$11,416
Cost of sales	1,949	1,321	4,822	5,159
Gross profit	1,905	2,253	5,543	6,257
Operating expenses				
Research & development	544	371	1,283	1,103
Selling, general and administrative	922	907	2,471	2,772
Operating expense	1,466	1,278	3,754	3,875
Income from operations	439	975	1,789	2,382
Interest (expense) income, net	(122)	(73)	(339)	(75)
Pre-tax profit	317	902	1,450	2,307
Taxes	95	72	435	103
Net income before cumulative effect of accounting changes	222	830	1,105	2,204
Cumulative effect of accounting changes	---	---	---	665
Net income	$222	$830	$1,015	$2,869
Earnings per share before cumulative effect	5 cents	18 cents	21 cents	49 cents
Earnings per share after cumulative effect	5 cents	18 cents	21 cents	63 cents
Weighted average common shares outstanding	4,741,250	4,524,486	4,657,879	4,524,494

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ANTWERP, BELGIUM (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Shlomo Dovrat, president and chief executive officer of OSHAP TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (NASDAQ/NMS:OSHSF, OSHWF; NASDAQ:OSHUF) Wednesday announced results for the nine months ended Sept. 30.

Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased by 27.2 percent to BF 926,749,000 (US $28,727,000) from BF 728,847,000 (US $22,593,000) for the same period last year. The company reported a net profit of BF 79,114,000 (US $2,452,000), or BF 13.91 (US 43 cents) per share, as compared to BF 45,461,000 (US $1,409,000), or BF 8.37 (US 26 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

Net profits for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 and Sept. 30, 1990 were

positively affected by capital gains related to capital raising transactions by the company's Tecnomatix Technologies subsidiary (in the second quarter of 1989) and the company's Tecnomatix medical subsidiary (in the first quarter of 1990).

The gross profit for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased by 68.5 percent, representing 42.6 percent of sales, compared with 32.2 percent of sales for the same period a year ago. The company reported an operating profit before financial expenses of BF 19,905,000 (US $617,000) as compared to a loss of BF 49,527,000 (US $1,535,000) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The company had an operating profit after financial expenses of BF 33,056,000 (US $1,025,000) as compared to a loss of BF 57,511,000 (US $1,783,000) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

OSHAP TECHNOLOGIES LTD. provides advanced computer aided engineering workstations, flexible machining systems and standard automation products to major worldwide industrial concerns. OSHAP is also a manufacturer of hyperthermia and medical imaging equipment, and software products primarily used for Inter-Bank communications.

OSHAP TECHNOLOGIES LTD.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,			
	1990		1989	
	BF	US $	BF	US $
Results of Operations				
Net sales	$ 278,641	$ 8,637	$ 244,471	$ 7,578
Gross profits	127,661	3,957	82,874	2,569
Operating profit (loss) before financial expenses/ income	(7,850)	(243)	(13,155)	(408)
Operating profit (loss) after financial expenses/income	(3,332)	(103)	(13,499)	(418)
Net profit	$ 8,520	$ 264	$ 1,791	$ 56
Net profit per share	$ 1.50	$ 0.05	$ 0.33	$ 0.01
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	5,687,703 (a)		5,429,500 (a)	

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,			
	1990		1989	
	BF	US $	BF	US $
Net sales	$ 926,749	$ 28,727	$ 728,847	$ 22,593
Gross profits	394,809	12,238	234,346	7,264
Operating profit (loss) before financial expenses/ income	19,905	617	(49,527)	(1,535)

Operating profit (loss) after financial expenses/income	33,056	1,025	(57,511)	(1,783)
Net profit	$ 79,114	$ 2,452	$ 45,461	$ 1,409
Net profit per share	$ 13.91	$ 0.43	$ 8.37	$ 0.26
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	5,688,228 (a)		5,429,500 (a)	

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RIVERSIDE, CA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Fleetwood Enterprises Inc. (NYSE/PSE:FLE), the nation's leading producer of recreational vehicles and manufactured housing, Wednesday announced the appointment of Lyle N. Larkin to the position of treasurer.

Larkin replaces David R. Marriner who has left the company.

Larkin joined Fleetwood in 1979 as a division controller for the motor home division. He was subsequently promoted to group controller for the recreational vehicle group and most recently held the position of controller - operations. Prior to joining Fleetwood, Larkin spent nine years with a national CPA firm.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Net earnings for BMA Corp. (BMAC) in the third quarter 1990 totaled $5.5 million, or 58 cents per share, on revenues of $21.4 million, compared with net earnings of $9.6 million, or 99 cents per share, for the same quarter last year.

Included in third quarter results were two significant transactions: a net gain, after-tax, of $32.2 million from the closing of the sale of 95 percent of a wholly owned insurance subsidiary, Business Men's Assurance Co.; and an after tax-loss of $27.9 million on the carrying value of real estate assets.

W. Thomas Grant II, president and chief executive officer of BMA Corp., said, ''We are pleased with the after-tax value of $145 million received for BMAC's insurance operations, and that stockholders were able to directly share in the sale through the distribution of $35 million in the form of a special, one-time dividend of $3.70 per share.

''On Oct. 9, 1990, the corporation indicated that it was concerned with the weakening economy and its growing negative effect on real estate values. Following a thorough evaluation of prevailing market conditions and the corresponding effect on BMAC's real estate assets, it is management's opinion that the carrying value of BMAC's real estate portfolio has been impaired by this difficult economic period.

''Therefore, in the third quarter financials, we have provided for a loss in the carrying value of BMAC's real estate assets to reflect a book value of $86 million, which we believe is more commensurate with current market conditions.

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WALNUT CREEK, CA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Mission Resource Partners L.P. (ASE:MRP) Wednesday reported a significant increase in net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Net income more than doubled to $3,217,995, or 74 cents per unit, compared with $1,402,636, or 32 cents per unit, in the comparable quarter a year ago. Revenues increased to $5,867,970 from $5,602,737 in the third quarter of 1989. Cash flow per unit was 93 cents, compared with 56 cents in 1989.

''While our oil and gas revenues were impacted negatively by a reduction in producing properties, they were enhanced by significant increases in oil and gas prices,'' said Douglas K. Brown, president of Mission Resources Inc., MRP's manager.

''Due to the sale of several properties,'' he continued, ''we have reduced our production capacity since a year ago. At the same time, oil and gas prices for the quarter have increased some 40 percent and 30 percent respectively, from $15.90 to $22.38 per barrel (Bbl) and $2.13 to $2.78 per thousand cubic feet (MCF).''

Brown attributed the partnership's increased profitability to a significant reduction in expenses, due to the restructuring program initiated last year. For the quarter, expenses were $2,649,975, a 37 percent decrease from the $4,200,101 of a year ago.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, the partnership reported net income of $4,726,488, or $1.09 per unit, compared with $3,449,603, or 80 cents per unit in 1989. Revenues for the nine months were $13,670,837, compared with $14,422,993 in 1989. Cash flow per unit was $1.56, compared with $1.41 for the like period a year ago.

Brown said that completion of a $7.4 million capital expenditure program on the Patrino Fee property, the partnership's principal property interest, had increased the partnership's current production to 2,100 Bbl and 2,300 MCF per day, levels above initial expectations.

On Oct. 5, Mission announced it had signed a definitive agreement with Santa Fe Energy Resources (NYSE:SFP) for the sale of all of its properties and retail related assets for $56 million, plus a revenue sharing payment based upon operating results of November and December. Brown said he anticipates the transaction, which is subject to unitholder approval, will be completed in January 1991.

Mission Resource Partners L.P. has interest in approximately 475 oil and gas wells which are located principally in California.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Innovations Inc. 1/8 NASDAQ Symbols MIXX (common stock) MIXXW (Class A Warrants) and MIXXZ (Class B Warrants) 3/8 reports net income of $119,346, or 2 cents per share of common stock, on revenues of $2,282,681 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, compared to a net loss of $28,908, or less than 1 cent per share, on revenues of $1,908,679 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30 was $140,358, or 2 cents per share, on revenues of $6,335,563, compared to net income of $160,701, or 4 cents per share, on revenues of $3,967,066 for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Third quarter revenue gain over the third quarter of 1989 is attributed to growth of the home infusion therapy market, and to continued strong performance of the company's Home Infusion Care Center in Houston. Revenue gain for the 9-month period over the prior year is attributed to this and to the addition of OMNA Corp. Healthcare Staffing operations, a subsidiary acquired in May 1989.

Improved net income for this third quarter over the prior year's third quarter

and the second quarter of this year is attributed to increased revenues from home infusion therapy, and to efficiencies resulting from the consolidation of OMNA Healthcare Staffing operations into the New Jersey Home Infusion Care Center in June 1990. The decrease in net income for the first nine months of 1990 as compared to the first nine months of 1989 is attributed to (1) interest expense on debt incurred to finance the acquisition of OMNA Corp., and (2) amortization of intangible costs, also associated with the acquisition of OMNA.

Medical Innovations Inc., specializes in providing Home Infusion Care (intravenous therapies) especially for immunosuppressed patients (i.e. cancer and AIDS) and through innovation has become one of the leaders in developing care protocols for these patients. Company operations are located in Houston; Livingston & Cranford, N.J.; and Richmond, Va.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Dynamics Inc. (NASDAQ:MEDY), a provider of micro-invasive surgical and diagnostic camera systems, Wednesday announced it has received a purchase order from a new OEM customer for Model 5960 Surgical Camera Systems and ancillary products.

The initial purchase order is valued at $1 million. The company's expectation is that this purchase order is the initial phase of a supplier relationship expected to involve up to $3 million in shipments during the 1991 fiscal year.

The OEM customer is a large medical company that markets its products primarily to the general surgery, gynecology and laparoscopy markets.

Gallbladder laparoscopy involves complete removal of the gallbladder through a laparoscope. As more physicians are trained in the field, Medical Dynamics expects orders for Model 5960s to increase, Horsley said.

Medical Dynamics also markets the patented Model 5990 Optical Catheter System (tm), a next generation surgical camera system that at just .5mm to 1.5mm in diameter is small enough to thread into previously inaccessible areas of the body. Procedures performed with an Optical Catheter System offer physicians and patients a number of practical, technical and economic benefits over alternative forms of treatment.

The company has sold 15 Optical Catheters to date, including two over the past 90 days.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Investment Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:IVES) has signed a letter of intent with Thomas James Associates Inc. for the public offering of $4 million in preferred stock (with common stock warrants) on a firm commitment basis.

The company is presenting a proposal to shareholders at its Nov. 29 annual meeting that would authorize the issuance of preferred stock on terms and conditions approved by the board.

The net proceeds of the offering will be used by the company to enter the asset-management business, using its proprietary computer-models.

The date of the offering will be as soon as practicable subject to regulatory approval.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Enzo Biochem Inc. (AMEX:ENZ) Wednesday announced that the U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York, has granted Enzo permission to amend its complaint in its lawsuit against Johnson & Johnson Inc. (J&J) and two J&J subsidiaries, Ortho Diagnostic Systems Inc., and J&J Development Corp. Inc., to include two violations (1962) (b) and (c) of the Rackteer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO).

J&J had unsuccessfully moved to dismiss these RICO claims.

Enzo's lawsuit, originally filed on Aug. 24, 1987, also charges J&J with

breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, unfair competition and fraud in connection with agreements between Enzo and J&J for the manufacture and marketing by J&J and Enzo of products developed in the field of nucleic acid manupulation.

Enzo seeks $100 million in actual damages and an additional $500 million in punitive damages.

Serle I. Mosoff, corporate counsel for Enzo, stated, ''The Court's acceptance of these two RICO claims, despite J&J's motion to dismiss, we believe, confirms the merit of Enzo's position and puts J&J at risk for treble damages. We are gratified by this favorable ruling and anticipate the suit will move ahead expeditiously to trial.''

Enzo Biochem Inc. is an established New York City-based biotechnology company engaged both in the research, development and manufacture of innovative health care products based on molecular biology and genetic engineering techniques and in the provision of diagnostic services to the medical community.

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SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Dayna Communications Inc. Wednesday announced a new version of its DOS Mounter utility.

DOS Mounter 2.0 shows improved performance, incorporates new features and supports a variety of removable media drives.

DOS Mounter allows any Macintosh computer with an Apple SuperDrive to access 3.5-inch MS-DOS disks from the desktop. With DOS Mounter, an MS-DOS disk in the SuperDrive looks and behaves like a Macintosh disk.

The new DOS Mounter 2.0 improves on previous versions of the product in several ways. There is noticeable improvement in the time it takes to mount and dismount MS-DOS volumes. Disks can now be formatted in Macintosh or MS-DOS high and low density formats directly from the Finder.

Extension Mapping, a feature that links MS-DOS file extensions with Macintosh applications, is now a simple Control Panel option. Write-protected and full disks are now fully supported. Finally, DOS Mounter 2.0 is designed to support all removable media drives commonly used in the Macintosh and MS-DOS worlds, including Bernoulli, SyQuest, PLI and Kennect.

Available Dec. 15, DOS Mounter 2.0 has a suggested U.S. retail price of $89.95. Registered owners of DOS Mounter purchased at any time after Oct. 1 will be upgraded free of charge. Other DOS Mounter owners can upgrade to the new version for $24.95 and should contact Dayna's Customer Service Department at 801/972-2000 for details.

Dayna Communications Inc. is a privately held company that designs and manufactures a range of products to meet the connectivity and productivity needs of personal computer users.

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HIGH BRIDGE, N.J. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Computer Power Inc. (NASDAQ:CPWR) Wednesday reported net income of $72,000, or 5 cents per share for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $151,000, or 10 cents per share in the comparable 1989 period.

Revenues for the nine months were up 12 percent to $13,952,000 compared with $12,477,000 in the comparable 1989 period.

For the third quarter fiscal 1990, Computer Power Inc. reported net income of $37,000, or 3 cents per share, compared with net income of $47,000, or 3 cents per share, for the same period in fiscal 1989.

Revenues for the quarter were down 14 percent to $4,321,000, compared with $5,005,000.

''Our revenues for the year are off slightly after adjustments for Siltron are taken in consideration. Siltron revenues for fiscal 1989 included only five months (acquired on May 1, 1989) and fiscal 1990, includes a full nine months activity,'' said Roger Love, president.

''We are pleased,'' continued Love, ''that our profitability remains intact, as a result of cost cutting and budgetary measurements instituted in anticipation of a soft market climate.''

Computer Power Inc. manufactures and distributes a line of uninterruptible power system (UPS), battery charger and emergency lighting equipments.

Computer Power Inc.
Financial Highlights

Three Months Ended Sept. 30	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30

	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$4,320,818	$5,005,505	$13,952,370	$12,476,940
Net earnings	$ 37,448	$ 47,248	$ 72,416	$ 151,409
Earnings per share	$ .03	$ .03	$ .05	$ .10
Average shares outstanding	1,481,800	1,481,800	1,481,800	1,481,800

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STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Warrantech Corp. (NASDAQ:WTEC) announced Wednesday that a new marketing unit has been formed to offer a range of new services.

The new unit, called Warrantech Direct, will be based in Fort Worth, Texas.

The unit was formed to handle every stage of a direct marketing program, including telemarketing and direct response through direct mail and televised infomercials. Initially, Warrantech Direct will concentrate its efforts renewing Warrantech's rapidly expanding base of service contracts as they expire.

It is anticipated that early in 1991 Warrantech Direct will begin offering its services to other companies.

David Morris has been named managing director of Warrantech Direct. Formerly, Morris was director of operations at A Telemarketing Group Inc., in Miami.

''Warrantech Direct will implement innovative marketing strategies that will help increase the number of service contract holders who renew as their contracts expire. We will use a combination of telemarketing and direct mail in pursuing these renewals, which will provide a new source of revenues.

''In addition, we plan to execute a second-effort marketing program designed to capture sales which are missed at the point-of-sale, giving our dealers an additional revenue source,'' Morris explained.

Warrantech Direct is a division of Warrantech Consumer Product Services Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Warrantech Corp.

Warrantech Corp. administers service contracts for consumer electronic products, appliances and home office equipment. Through Warrantech Dealer Based Services Inc., the company administers service contracts for automobiles and recreational vehicles.

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MENLO PARK, CA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Liposome Technology Inc. (LTI), a California-based pharmaceutical company, Wednesday announced results from its third fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30.

The company reported a net loss for the quarter of $1,717,000 (18 cents per share), an increase of 15 percent from a net loss of $1,498,000 (21 cents per share) in the third quarter of the prior year.

Research and development expenditures were $1,875,000, an increase of approximately 21 percent over the like period in 1989. General and administrative expenses were $373,000, a decrease of 13 percent over the third quarter of the prior year. Total expenditures for the quarter were $2,282,000 compared to $1,987,000 in the comparable quarter in 1989.

The increase in R&D expenses is due to expenditures for the preclinical/clinical development of LTI's amphotericin B colloidal dispersion (ABCD) and liposomal doxorubicin products, while the decrease in G&A for the quarter is primarily due to savings associated with a reduction in the company's workforce effected in 1989.

The company also announced the termination of its collaboration with Erbamont N.V. for the development of liposomal epirubicin, effective Dec. 13. The termination is due to Erbamont's decision to concentrate its financial resources on fewer projects and thus to discontinue funding of LTI's development efforts.

To date, LTI has successfully developed and manufactured a stable, lyophilized liposomal epirubicin product for use in preclinical studies, which meets mutually agreed upon specifications appropriate for a commercial product.

The company is continuing to explore financing opportunities, including the sale of equity, new strategic alliances and other funding sources, as required to commercialize its proprietary products and fund the pharmaceutical development of additional products in the pipeline.

Located in Menlo Park, LTI currently is developing injectable doxorubicin for anticancer therapy, injectable ABCD for systemic antifungal therapy, and inhaled liposomal albuterol to treat asthma and bronchitis. The company's second-generation focus is on utilizing LTI's proprietary Stealth liposomes to target injectable oncologics to tumors and to deliver therapeutic proteins and peptides.

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MIAMI, FL (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE -All American Semiconductor, Inc. (NASDAQ:SEMI), a national distributor of electronic components, Wednesday announced unaudited results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 1990.

Net sales for the three months ended September 30, 1990 were $9,612,766 compared to $9,491,890 for the three months ended September 30, 1989.

This modest increase was less than anticipated, largely the result of a computer problem which prevented the Company from conducting sales for more than three full business days in September. The increase in sales that did occur was primarily due to the addition of passive products to the Company's product offerings. Conversely, sales of semiconductor products declined slightly due to flat growth in the industry and continued downward pressure on prices of certain memory products.

The net loss in the current quarter was primarily due to the lost business resulting from the above mentioned computer problem and additional expenses associated with this problem. The Company believes that this lost business is covered under the Company's business interruption insurance.

All American Semiconductor is the nation's 34th largest distributor of electronic components. The Company is headquartered in Miami and has nine sales offices in Florida, California, Minnesota, New York, Massachusetts and Texas. In addition, All American distributes its products through an affiliated company in Rockville, Maryland.

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DALLAS (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Coast Plastics Inc. (NASDAQ:SUNI), Dallas, reported Wednesday that its net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $139,000 (1 cent per share), an improvement of $210,000 over the net loss of $71,000 (1 cent per share) incurred for the three months

ending Sept. 30, 1989.

Total revenues were $14,696,000 this year, a decrease of 2 percent from the comparable prior year quarter.

The decrease in revenue resulted from a large non-recurring order for custom dinnerware placed in the first quarter last year, from new price competition for imports in chemical products, and from reduced demand for molding compounds and resins.

Improved gross margins and reduced interest expense caused the $210,000 improvement in net income. Stable resin costs and continuance of projects to enhance manufacturing efficiency caused the margin improvements. Repayment of $2,868,000 of total debt since Sept. 30, 1989 caused the reduction of interest expense.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Sales and earnings of Tiffany & Co. (NYSE:TIF) rose to record levels in the third quarter and nine months ended Oct. 31.

Tiffany's chairman, William R. Chaney, announced the results while speaking to security analysts and institutional investors at a ''Breakfast at Tiffany's'' meeting in New York.

Sales for the third quarter rose 19 percent to $113,232,000, compared with $95,116,000 in the similar period a year ago. Net income increased 21 percent to $9,052,000, or 58 cents per share, compared with $7,509,000, or 48 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine month period, sales increased 23 percent to $313,733,000, compared with $254,279,000 in the same period in 1989. Net earnings rose 25 percent to $21,594,000, or $1.37 per share, compared with $17,330,000, or $1.10 per share, in the first nine months of fiscal 1989.

Chaney said, ''We are most gratified with Tiffany's overlall strong performance which further confirms the benefits of Tiffany's diversified growth strategies. Tiffany's international sales continue to grow rapidly throughout the Far East and Europe. We are also encouraged with improvements in our United States businesses in the third quarter, despite consumer caution

in several regional markets.''

Sales by channel of distribution were as follows: International Retail sales rose 38 percent in the third quarter to $38,838,000 and increased 75 percent to $115,614,000 in the nine month period; United States Retail sales increased 11 percent in the third quarter to $57,175,000 and rose 4 percent in the nine months to $150,819,000; Direct Marketing sales increased 12 percent to $17,219,000 in the third quarter and rose 7 percent to $47,300,000 for the nine months.

Tiffany & Co. is an internationally renowned retailer with locations in the United States, the Far East and Europe. The company's merchandise offerings include an extensive selection of fine jewelry, sterling silverware, china, crystal, watches, clocks, stationery, leather goods, scarves and fragrances.

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EMERYVILLE, CALIF. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Cetus Corp. announced Wednesday that a TNF virus engineered by company scientists will be used in the first human gene therapy trials to be conducted in the field of oncology.

Dr. Steven Rosenberg of the National Cancer Institute (NCI) will use Cetus' invention in human clinical trials for the treatment of melanoma, a dangerous cancer of the skin. It was announced yesterday that the NCI has been granted approval to initiate these trials by the U. S. Food and Drug Administration.

Cetus scientists genetically engineered a retrovirus encoding the immune system protein, tumor necrosis factor (TNF). NCI researchers use the TNF retrovirus to infect special cancer fighting cells, called tumor infiltrating lymphocytes or TIL cells, which have been removed from cancer patients. The TIL cells are then re-injected into the patient, they migrate to the site of the tumor and, because they have been ''educated'' to produce the cancer fighting protein, kill the cells of the tumor.

Michael Kriegler Ph.D. and his group at Cetus designed the novel TNF virus. Cetus has filed numerous patent applications on its gene therapy work, including applications on several unique forms of TNF which may prove more efficacious for gene therapy research in the future.

TNF has been employed in human studies for various cancers with little

clinical success. This has been due in part to the serious toxicities which arise when the protein is administered systemically. It is thought that systemic side effects can be avoided with the gene therapy approach, because the TNF is more concentrated at the tumor site.

Cetus Corp. applies the tools of biotechnology and the science of immunology to the development of novel pharmaceutical products. The company is also developing several commercial applications of its GeneAmp polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technology. Business collaborations with other firms are an important part of the company's strategy both in pharmaceuticals and in PCR. Founded in 1971, Cetus is based in Emeryville and also operates EuroCetus in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

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SAN RAFAEL, CALIF. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Affiliates International Inc., a company formed by Gus Constantin, the chief executive officer, chairman and president of Phoenix American Inc. (NASDAQ:PHXA), said it expects to complete the acquisition of all outstanding shares of Phoenix American Wednesday by merging Phoenix American with and into Phoenix Affiliates.

Phoenix Affiliates also said that its cash tender offer for all outstanding shares of Phoenix American common stock at $5 per share, which was commenced Oct. 8, 1990, expired at 4 p.m., San Francisco time, on Nov. 9, 1990.

As of the expiration of the offer, 1,183,718 shares had been tendered -- including 134,233 shares tendered by notice of guaranteed delivery -- in accordance with the offer.

Those shares, together with the 3,287,866 shares contributed to Phoenix Affiliates by family trusts controlled by Gus Constantin, represent approximately 98.5 percent of the outstanding shares.

Phoenix Affiliates has accepted for payment all shares that have been validly tendered and will pay for the shares as promptly as possible.

Under California and Nevada law, the merger will not require a vote of Phoenix American shareholders since more than 90 percent of the outstanding shares are held by Phoenix Affiliates.

In the merger, each of the 70,132 remaining shares of Phoenix American not owned by Phoenix Affiliates will be converted into the right to receive $5 in cash.

Payments will be made upon the surrender of certificates representing the shares to Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company of California, the paying agent, according to instructions that will be mailed promptly after consummation of the merger to shareholders of record at the close of business today.

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NEWTON, MASS. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Staples Inc. (NASDAQ:SPLS) announced Wednesday that it had recorded substantial gains in sales and earnings during the third quarter and first nine months of its 1990 fiscal year.

Staples pioneered the office superstore industry and today operates 66 office superstores located in the Northeast United States and California.

For the quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990, sales rose 59.5 percent from the prior year quarter to $78,862,000, while earnings before extraordinary credit increased 31.6 percent to $1,277,000 (13 cents per share). In the prior year quarter, Staples earned $970,000 (10 cents per share) before extraordinary credit on sales of $49,439,000.

Staples opened 13 new stores during the third quarter, three more than originally anticipated, which raised the store count to 64 at quarter end. Included in the new store openings were three additional units in Southern California, raising the store count to six in that market; two stores in Rochester, N.Y., a new market; and the company's first ''Express'' store.

The company hopes the Express prototype, which opened in downtown Boston, could evolve into a significant growth vehicle. Over the balance of the fiscal year, the company expects to add eight or more new stores.

Staples Inc. and Subsidiary
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	(Unaudited) 13 Weeks Ended		(Unaudited) 39 Weeks Ended	
	Oct. 27 1990	Oct.28, 1989	Oct. 27, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
Sales	$78,862	$49,439	$206,879	$123,807
Cost of goods sold and occupancy costs (a)	58,926	36,784	156,200	93,107
Gross profit	19,936	12,655	50,679	30,700
Operating expenses: Store operating and selling	13,311	8,811	33,804	21,329

Pre-opening	822	339	1,714	860
General and administrative	3,850	2,360	10,217	6,435
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Net income	1,720	1,470	4,781	2,742
Net income per common share: Income before extra-ordinary credit	$0.13	$0.10	$0.33	$0.24
Extraordinary credit	$0.04	$0.05	$0.15	$0.06

(a)-Cost of goods sold includes the benefit of cash discounts, previously reported in other income. $625 $336 $1,602 $825

(b)-Reflects the benefit of utilization of net operating loss carryforwards.

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JERUSALEM, ISRAEL (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Limited (NASDAQ: TEVIY), Israel's largest pharmaceutical company, Wednesday reported that net income for the three months ended September 30, 1990 increased nine percent on an eight percent increase in sales.

Sales for the quarter reached 143,155,000 Adjusted New Israeli Shekels (NIS) ($69,594,000 US) compared with 132,670,000 Adjusted NIS in the prior year. Gross profit rose 7.7 percent to 52,203,000 Adjusted NIS ($25,378,000 US) from 48,479,000 Adjusted NIS in 1989.

Net income was up 8.9 percent to 7,937,000 Adjusted NIS ($3,859,000 US), or 0.34 Adjusted NIS, 0.34 fully diluted, ($0.17, $0.17 US, respectively) per American Depository Receipt (ADR) with 2.1 percent less shares outstanding than in the prior year. Last year's third quarter net income amounted to 7,290,000 Adjusted NIS, or 0.32 (0.31, fully diluted) Adjusted NIS per ADR.

Pointing out that on a period to period comparison, the third quarter shows more improvement than the first two quarters of 1990, Eli Hurvitz, Teva's President and Chief Executive Officer, said that ''we could not fully achieve our goals primarily as a result of two external factors.''

''The lack of U.S. Food and Drug Administration approvals on new generic products, a phenomena experienced by the whole U.S. Generic drug industry, influenced the results of TAG Pharmaceuticals, our jointly owned U.S. subsidiary. At the same time, Israel's health authorities prolonged their approval process and the General Health Fund, our major customer, delayed the

introduction of newly approved products into its system because of budget considerations,'' Mr. Hurvitz explained.

The increase of minority interest in profits of consolidated subsidiaries in the first nine months to 2,109,000 Adjusted NIS ($1,025,000 US) from interest in losses of 346,000 Adjusted NIS a year earlier resulted from the improved profitability of TAG Pharmaceuticals, Teva's jointly owned U.S. subsidiary.

Teva Pharmaceutical Industries, Ltd. (NASDAQ: TEVIY) develops, manufactures and markets human pharmaceuticals, pharmaceutical chemicals, medical disposables, veterinary products, baking yeast and alcohol. The largest supplier of such products to Israel's public and private healthcare markets, the Company has manufacturing facilities in Israel, Western Europe and the United States and markets its products in 50 countries.

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PORTLAND, MAINE (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Vincent E. Furey Jr., president and CEO of The One Bancorp, a Maine-based bank holding company, and Dr. Thomas J. Whalen, chairman of the board of directors of Southstate Bank for Savings, a Brockton, Mass.-based subsidiary of The One, Wednesday announced the unanimous election by the Southstate board of directors of William J. Walsh, formerly chief operating officer of Southstate, as the bank's president, CEO and a director

Southstate operates seven banking offices in Brockton, Hingham and Weymouth, Mass., and holds some $325 million in assets.

Walsh, 37, joined Southstate in 1986 as senior vice president and chief financial officer, with responsibility for the development and execution of the bank's overall financial, investment, tax and asset/liability management strategies. He was named acting chief operating officer by the Southstate board in July.

Prior to joining Southstate in 1986, Walsh was vice president and controller of First Mutual of Boston, an institution he joined in 1978 as a management trainee.

Walsh holds a bachelor of science degree in finance from Fairfield University in Fairfield, Conn., and has completed the executive development program of the National Council of Savings Institutions. He holds a master's degree in

business administration, with a concentration in finance and banking, from Boston College.

Walsh resides in Wrentham, Mass. with his wife, Lauren, and their three children.

Chartered in 1881 as Brockton Savings Bank, Southstate converted from mutual to stock form in 1987 and changed its name to Southstate Bank for Savings. It was acquired by The One Bancorp in October 1988, along with East Weymouth Savings Bank, which was merged into Southstate.

The One Bancorp is a $2.3-billion-asset, Maine-based banking holding company with banking subsidiaries in Maine, Connecticut and Massachusetts.

The One Bancorp's common and preferred shares are listed and quoted in the National Quotation Bureau's Pink Sheets, an information service providing stock quotations for over 10,000 over-the-counter securities issues.

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DENVER (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - United Artists Entertainment Co. (NASDAQ/NMS:UAECA/UAECB) Wednesday announced revenue for the nine months ended Sept. 30 of $1,086.4 million.

Operating income before depreciation and amortization (cash flow) was $289.1 million, with a net loss of $82.6 million, or 59 cents per share, applicable to common shareholders.

On May 25, 1989, United Artists Communications Inc. and United Cable Television Corp. were merged into a new entity, United Artists Entertainment. The results of operations for UCTC are included in UAE's results from that date forward.

Cable television revenue increased to $552.6 million during the nine months compared with $341.1 million for the like period ended Sept. 30, 1989. Cable operating expenses were $302.7 million during the period, compared with $176.0 million for the like period last year, while cash flow grew from $165.1 million to $249.9 million.

The increase in cable television revenue was due primarily to an additional 205,893 basic subscribers and 173,410 premium subscriptions at the end of the third quarter of 1990 compared with the like date in 1989.

Cable division operating expenses as a percentage of cable revenue increased due primarily to startup costs associated with European cable and the acquisition of certain cable systems with lower-than-normal operating margins. Excluding the effects of the above, cable operating expenses as a percentage of cable revenue remained relatively constant during the period.

Theatre admissions and confection sales were approximately $517.3 million during the nine months, compared with $498.9 million a year ago.

UAE owns and/or manages 86 cable television systems serving approximately 2.7 million subscribers. The company also owns and/or manages approximately 2,560 motion picture screens in 569 locations.

Rights to put UAE common stock also trade under the symbol TCOMR and are a security of Tele-Communications Inc. (TCI). UAE is the largest publicly traded affiliate of TCI.

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JERUSALEM, ISRAEL (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Limited (NASDAQ: TEVIY), Israel's largest pharmaceutical company, Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend of 0.090 Adjusted New Israeli Shekels (NIS) (about $0.045 US) per American Depository Receipt (ADR).
The dividend will be paid on December 20, 1990 to holders of record on November 27, 1990. The rate of tax to be withheld at the source will be 15 percent.

Teva Pharmaceutical Industries, Ltd. (NASDAQ: TEVIY) develops, manufactures and markets human pharmaceuticals, pharmaceutical chemicals, medical disposables, veterinary products, baking yeast and alcohol. The largest supplier of such products to Israel's public and private healthcare markets, the Company has manufacturing facilities in Israel, Western Europe and the United States and markets its products in 50 countries.

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ROSLYN, NY (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Cheyenne Software Inc. (AMEX:CYE)

reported that for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, consolidated revenues of Cheyenne and its 49 percent owned subsidiary, Gates/FA (NASDAQ:FACO), a microcomputer distributor, were $41,232,000, as compared to $41,668,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The net profit was $123,000, or 1 cent per share, for the first fiscal quarter of 1991 vs. a net loss of $195,000, or 2 cents per share, in the prior period.

With growing acceptance in the OEM marketplace of its top rated local area networking (LAN) software products, ARCserve and Monitrix, Cheyenne management is confident software sales will continue to increase rapidly and expects to be able to announce increasing profits during the remainder of the year.

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TUPELO, MISS. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Hancock Fabrics Inc. (NYSE:HKF) Wednesday announced unaudited results for its third fiscal quarter of 1990.

Sales for the quarter ended Oct. 28, 1990, increased 8.3 percent to $100.8 million from $93.1 million in the same quarter last year. Net earnings for the quarter were $7.3 million, or 65 cents per share, compared with $7.2 million, or 59 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989.

For the 39 weeks to date, sales rose 10.4 percent to $282.4 million from $255.8 million in the same period last year. Net earnings were $19.6 million, or $1.72 per share, compared with $18.2 million, or $1.46 per share, in the first 39 weeks of 1989.

In commenting on the results, Morris O. Jarvis, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: ''After extremely hot temperatures and the effects of the Middle East crisis hindered sales in August, business returned to normal levels and we ended with a respectable quarter.

''Comparable store sales recovered in the final weeks to finish almost 3 percent higher than a year ago and gross margins increased despite a considerably higher LIFO charge. Operating expense ratios increased as a result of the slower sales but were also pressured by the opening of fifty-one new stores since a year ago.

''Interest expense was higher than a year ago. The recent weakness in the stock market made share repurchases considerably more attractive than the reduction of a very conservative debt. In the last 18 months, 1.92 million HKF shares have been repurchased at a cost of $57.4 million. At Oct. 28, 1990 the company's debt to total capitalization was 34 percent and return on

equity was 30 percent,'' continued Jarvis.

Hancock Fabrics Inc. is a retail and wholesale merchant of fabrics, crafts and related home sewing and home decorating accessories.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Wednesday announced that effective immediately, it is decreasing its base spot sales price of refined lead by one cent per pound.

The new price is 39 cents per pound, F.O.B. delivered in carload lots.

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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Gerard F. Corbett, 212/510-1810

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Siemens Corp., the holding company for the Siemens AG (Berlin/Munich) operations in the United States, reported preliminary increases of 14 percent and 16 percent, respectively, in fiscal 1990 (10/1/89-9/30/90) orders and sales over the previous year.

The company did not offer a net income forecast, indicating that result would be forthcoming in January when final figures for 1990 are released.

Orders, an indicator of future business, stood at $4.4 billion (previous year $3.8 billion). Sales rose to $4.1 billion (previous year $3.6 billion).

Siemens Medical Systems Inc., Iselin, N.J., continued to report the highest sales volume with $1.4 billion. Siemens Energy & Automation Inc., Alpharetta, Ga., became the second Siemens company in the United States to reach the billion dollar sales mark.

Siemens has some 60 production facilities and 450 sales and service locations throughout the country. Its wholly owned, consolidated companies employ about 29,400 people.

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Guy B. Pierce, 212/258-4351

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MIDDLEBURG, PA. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Poloron Products Inc. (NASDAQ:PPRI) which designs, manufactures and distributes modular and custom mobile housing Wednesday reported operating results for the third quarter and nine month period ended Sept. 30.

Sales for the third quarter were $4,029,000 and the company reported a net loss of $46,000, or 2 cents per share. In the year ago quarter sales totaled $7,019,000 and the company reported a net loss of $224,000 or 6 cents per share. Management attributes the operating improvement to the implementation of cost containment measures.

Sales for the nine month period this year totaled $11,425,000 compared with $16,931,000 in the year ago period. This is indicative of the recessionary level of housing starts in the company's Northeast marketing area.

The company had a net loss of $1,247,000 or 35 cents per share, for the nine month period of 1990 compared with a net loss of $1,176,000 or 32 cents per share, a year ago.

Poloron Products Inc. operates through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Poloron Homes of Pennsylvania Inc.

Poloron Products Inc.
SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS
(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$ 4,029	$ 7,019	$11,425	$16,931
Loss from Operations	$ (78)	$ (300)	$(1,346)	$(1,400)
Net Loss	$ (46)	$ (224)	$(1,247)	$(1,176)
Net Loss per Common and Common Equivalent Share	(2 cents)	(6 cents)	(35 cents)	(32 cents)
Average Number of Common Shares and Equivalents Outstanding	3,586,265	3,613,620	3,586,693	3,621,834

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Douglas G. Parker, 717/837-1515

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KNOXVILLE, TENN. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Clayton Homes Inc. (NYSE:CMH) Wednesday declared a 5 for 4 stock split payable on Dec. 12, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 28, 1990.

The split will be effected as a stock dividend. Fractional shares will be paid in cash based on the closing price on the NYSE Nov. 28, 1990.

''This is the sixth stock split: All 5 for 4 since Clayton Homes became a publicly owned company in 1983,'' said Jim Clayton, chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Fresh from their success in one of the year's top-grossing movies, the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles are now looking forward to their next blockbuster performance -- as stars of the upcoming Christmas sales season.

Riding the momentum of a 40-city national live rock n' roll arena show and the recent home video release of the quartet's record-breaking spring movie, more than 300 other licensed Turtle toys, products and entertainment vehicles are expected to dominate the children's market during the all-important holiday sales period.

And according to Mark Freedman, president of Surge Licensing, exclusive worldwide marketer of the property, high volume sales during the last quarter of 1990 are expected to push the total retail performance of all Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle merchandise and projects over $1 billion for the year.

Below are some new Turtle items that are expected to be among the most popular in the coming months.

o On Oct. 4, IVE/Family Home Entertainment released the much-anticipated ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: The Movie'' on videocassette. The enormous popularity of the theatrical release is sure to make the home video a favorite stocking stuffer.

o The ''Coming Out of Their Shells'' album, based on the Pizza Hut-sponsored live show, has already sold more than two million copies since its release in September. The album, which was available only at Pizza Hut restaurants, is now being sold through traditional retail outlets.

o ''Turtles II,'' scheduled for release in December, is the second home video game based on the Turtles introduced by Konami Inc., makers of Nintendo software. The company is working with Pizza Hut to promote the game, including the inclusion of a ''Free Personal Pan Pizza'' coupon inside each game package. In addition, the two companies have planned an in-store sweepstakes, offering Turtle video products as prizes.

o ''Turtle Claus,'' a plush figure depicting a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle dressed as Santa Claus, is a special limited edition toy produced by Playmates Toys Inc., the California-based manufacturer of Turtle action figures, vehicles and playsets. Only 200,000 units will be produced, so demand for the toy is expected to be high.

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BELTSVILLE, MD. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - North American Vaccine Inc. (ASE: NVX) Wednesday announced its operating results for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30.

North American Vaccine Inc. had no operations prior to March 1.

Summary results are as follows:

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990
Revenue	$ 1,139,256	$ 2,611,392
Net loss	434,299	1,189,699
Net loss per share	$0.05	$0.16
Weighted average common shares outstanding	9,488,166	7,373,001

North American Vaccine Inc., both directly and through its subsidiaries, is engaged in the research, development, manufacturing and marketing of human immunobiological products with emphasis on vaccines to prevent pediatric infectious diseases.

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MIAMI (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Bayport Restaurant Group Inc. (NASDAQ:PORT) reports total revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 24 increased 24 percent

to $18,626,606 from $14,970,768 for the comparable nine months last year.

Net earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 24, 1990 were $250,336 compared to a loss of $370,689 for the nine months last year. Total revenues for the three months ended Sept. 24, 1990 increased 20 percent to $6,058,476 from $5,045,650 for the comparable three months last year.

Net earnings for the three months ended Sept. 24, 1990 were $15,817 compared to a loss of $388,605 for the three months last year.

As previously reported, the company changed its fiscal year end from the last Sunday in August to the last Monday in December. Consequently, the company's results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 24, 1990 have been compared to those of the comparable periods ended Aug. 27, 1989.

As previously announced, the company is continuing its efforts to raise aditional capital to facilitate the expansion of the company's restaurnat chain. In this connection, the company is continuing discussions with several groups. In the event such a transaction is consummated, a change in control of the company may result.

Bayport Restaurant Group Inc.

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 24, 1990	Nine Months Ended Aug. 27, 1990
Total Revenues	$18,626,606	$14,970,768
Net Earnings	$ 250,336	$ (370,689)
Earnings per Share	2 cents	(2 cents)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 24, 1990	Three Months Ended Aug. 27, 1990
Total Revenues	$ 6,058,476	$ 5,045,650
Net Earnings	$ 15,817	$ (388,605)
Earnings per Share	00	(2 cents)

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FITCHBURG, MASS. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Earnings of Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Co. (AMEX:FGE) for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $420,061, or 30 cents per share, the company announced Wednesday.

The third quarter results compare to a loss of (11 cents) per share for the comparable three months a year earlier. The earnings of the company for the first nine months and for the 12 month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 were also markedly higher than the comparable period last year.

The higher earnings are primarily due to the lask of impact on expenses to date in 1990 related to the ongoing, 18 month old hostile tender offer by Boston-based Eastern Utilities Associates (EUA).

EUA is currently involved in a proceeding before the New Hampshire Public Utility Commission which is considering whether to approve or disapprove the proposed hostile acquisition by EUA of the company's proposed merger partner, UNITIL Corp., and the effect that such an acquisition would have on New Hampshire ratepayers.

A decision in that proceeding is expected sometime in December. Earnings for the quarter were also positively impacted by lower maintenance expenses and a prior period income tax adjustment.

Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Co. is an operating public utility providing electric service to over 25,000 customers and natural gas service to over 15,000 customers in north central Massachusetts.

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WESTBOROUGH, MA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - ASA International Ltd. (NASDAQ:ASAA) announced its financial results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter 1990 were $4,236,000, down from $6,152,000 in the third quarter 1989. Net loss for the third quarter 1990 was $343,000, compared to net earnings of $120,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

ASA International Ltd. quarterly and nine-month results are summarized as follows:

ASA International Ltd. markets multi-user business computer solutions, primarily on Digital Equipment Corp. and IBM hardware, to manufacturing, tire dealer and international trade companies. The firm, founded in 1969, reported 1989 revenues of $23,769,000.

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EXETER, N.H. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated earnings of UNITIL Corp. (AMEX:UTL) for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $321,321 or 41 cents per share, the company announced Wednesday.

The third quarter results compare to consolidated earnings of 68 cents per share for the comparable three months a year earlier. The earnings of the company for the first nine months and for the 12 month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 were also lower than the comparable period last year before the effect of a one-time accounting change which occurred in 1989.

Earnings, for all reported periods, were impacted negatively by the current economic conditions being experienced in the service areas of the company's subsidiaries. Sales growth for the current nine month period over the same period last year is only 1 percent with new services installed down by 16 percent. In addition, write-offs due to uncollectable accounts have risen substantially.

The lower earnings are also due, in part, to the recording of merger and unsolicited tender offer expenses incurred last year as well as additional expenses incurred this year in relation to the regulatory hearings concerning the ongoing, 18-month-old hostile tender offer by Boston-based Eastern Utilities Associates (EUA).

The New Hampshire Public Utility Commission (NHPUC) is currently considering whether to approve or disapprove the proposed hostile acquisition based upon its effects on New Hampshire ratepayers. Hearings in this proceeding began on Aug. 9, 1990 and after 26 days were concluded on Sept 28, 1990. Initial briefs, by all parties, were filed on Oct. 23, 1990, and were followed by reply briefs on Nov. 6, 1990. Aside from EUA, all parties, including the New Hampshire Office of the Consumer Advocate and the City of Concord, as well as many public representatives who made statements during the hearings, are strongly opposed to EUA's proposed hostile takeover.

A decision from the NHPUC is expected in December of this year. If the NHPUC does not approve the transaction, then, absent a successful appeal by EUA of the NHPUC order, EUA's hostile takeover attempt would be effectively ended. Even if the NHPUC were to allow EUA to acquire shares of UNITIL stock, EUA would still be required to obtain approvals from the Securities and Exchange Commission as well as the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

UNITIL is a New Hampshire based utility holding company. Subsidiaries are Concord Electric Co., Exeter & Hampton Electric Co., UNITIL Realty Corp., and UNITIL Service Corp.

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COSTA MESA, CA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - US Facilities Corp. (NASDAQ:USRE) announced Wednesday that, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income amounted to $265,000, or 7 cents per share, after a non-recurring charge of $860,000.

The company indicated that net operating results for the quarter were negatively impacted by the one-time write-off of previously capitalized expenses related to a proposed acquisition that was not consummated.

This charge, net of an income tax credit, amounted to $763,000, or 19 cents per share. Therefore, were it not for this non-recurring item, net income for the 1990 Sept. 30 quarter would have been $1,028,000, or 26 cents per share.

This compares with net income of $307,000, or 8 cents per share, reported for the similar period last year. Total revenues for the 1990 quarter rose to $17,101,000, a 5 percent increase over total revenues of $16,371,000 for the 1989 third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income, after the one-time charge, rose 47 percent to $1,925,000, or 49 cents per share, on a 13 percent increase in total revenues to $51,399,000. Comparitively, in the 1989 nine-month period, net income was $1,313,000, or 35 cents per share, on total revenues of $45,402,000.

The continuing revenue gains were again due to increases in commissions and management fees earned by the company's US Benefits subsidiary.

Reflecting gains of 42 percent and 49 percent in the respective 1990 periods compared with last year, these increases were primarily the result of an increase of rate levels and a greater number of accounts in the medical stop-loss business underwritten by US Benefits.

Net earned property and casualty reinsurance premiums for the USF RE INSURANCE COMPANY subsidiary decreased 4 percent in the quarter and were up 5 percent for the nine months of 1990 as industry-wide rate levels continue to be low.

Net investment income amounted to $1,213,000 for the 1990 quarter and $3,607,000 for the nine-month period of 1990, a gain over 1989 of 25 percent and 35 percent respectively. This was due to an increase in average investable assets and a shift from tax-exempt securities to higher yielding, taxable investment-grade securities during 1989.

Losses and loss adjustment expenses incurred were up 10 percent and 17 percent for the quarter and nine months; other expenses decreased 13 percent for the quarter and increased 2 percent for the nine months, while interest expense declined 61 percent and 60 percent for the comparable 1989 periods because of debt reduction.

Company management indicated it expects that its US Benefits medical stop-loss business will continue to improve as long as rate increases are accepted. Rate levels in the USF RE property and casualty area are anticipated to remain low in the fourth quarter and into 1991.

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HUNT VALLEY, MD (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - EA Engineering, Science, and Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: EACO) Wednesday reported record consolidated net revenue for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended August 31.

However, cost increases attributable to hiring additional professional and technical personnel necessary to support the growing demand for the company's services, and certain reserve increases for possible unrecoverable project overruns depressed earnings in the fourth quarter and for the entire year.

Net revenue for fiscal 1990 advanced to $41.1 million, a 23 percent increase from $33.3 million recorded in fiscal 1989. Net income was $609,000, or $.25 per share, compared to net income of $1.2 million, or $.47 per share, a year earlier.

Year-end backlog increased to over $30 million, up 50 percent from the previous year-end. EA also has open task orders for approximately $63.5 million, which, if authorized, would increase total backlog to over $93.5 million compared to $92.5 million last year.

Net revenue for the company in the fourth quarter was $11.3 million, and net income was $60,000, or $.02 per share. A year earlier, net revenue was $9.8 million and net income was $416,000, or $.17 per share.

EA Engineering, Science, and Technology Inc. is a multidisciplinary professional consulting firm providing a wide range of engineering, scientific analytical, and remediation capabilities to address existing and potential threats to the environment and to human health and safety for government and industrial clients across the nation.

EA designs building systems for energy conservation, indoor air quality, and climate control; provides remedial designs at contaminated sites; and develops

solution for waste management, energy conservation, and emissions control. EA is headquartered in Hunt Valley, Maryland, and has offices in Texas, California, New York, New Jersey, Georgia, Nebraska, Illinois, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Washington, and Virginia.

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TROY, OHIO (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Television picture tubes manufactured by American Matsushita Electronics Corp. (AMEC) are now being exported to TV factories in Asia.

At a ceremony held Wednesday at AMEC, the company announced that it will begin shipping approximately 3,000 27-inch diagonal color picture tubes per month to both Japan and Taiwan. AMEC is an affiliate of Matsushita Electric Corp. of America, known for its Panasonic, Technics and Quasar brands.

''Ohio is the third largest exporting state in the nation, and today's announcement by AMEC provides an excellent example why our economy is leading in this arena,'' said Ohio Governor Richard F. Celeste.

''This announcement proves that Ohio is once again shattering old manufacturing stereotypes and setting the stage for leadership in the new economic climate.''

Richard A. Kraft, president of Matsushita Electric Corp. of America said, ''By shipping these Ohio-made picture tubes across the Pacific, Matsushita is once again demonstrating its commitment to exporting products manufactured in North America. We've established an impressive record of exports over the past few years, and AMEC is now adding to it.''

Since 1988, Matsushita has exported its North American-produced televisions, cellular telephones, combination TV/VCR units and microwave ovens to both Asia and Europe. In addition, through its Los-Angeles-based trading affiliate, AMAC Corp., Matsushita also purchases a wide range of U.S.-made products for export. Overall, in 1989, North American Matsushita exported over $600 million worth of products made in the United States.

Founded in 1988, AMEC expects to produce approximately 500,000 picture tubes in 1990. Product was supplied to Matsushita's television factory in Franklin Park, Ill., as well as to major TV manufacturers throughout North America.

Established in 1959, Matsushita Electric Corp. of America now has 30 North American subsidiaries and affiliates including 16 factories, and 11,000 employees. North American Matsushita markets and produces both consumer and

industrial products, and recorded sales of $5.4 billion for fiscal 1989.

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BASKING RIDGE, N.J. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Bringing an array of telecommunications services to the suburban and rural territories of 27 states AT&T and TDS TELECOM Wednesday announced an agreement naming TDS TELECOM marketing agent for AT&T long distance services in its service areas.

Under this contract, TDS TELECOM becomes the primary point-of-contact for marketing, sales and support of AT&T's business and residential long distance services in TDS TELECOM's operating territories.

''This is a significant opportunity for both companies,'' said Jim Barr III, president and CEO of TDS TELECOM. ''Armed with AT&T's long distance expertise we can offer our customers the latest innovations in telecommunications, now and in the future.''

''AT&T is delighted to be forming this alliance with TDS TELECOM,'' said Michael Keith, AT&T's director of alternate channels.

''We are combining AT&T's high-quality long distance services with TDS TELECOM's local presence and reputation for personalized service in ways that will serve our customers well.''

TDS TELECOM, headquartered in Madison, Wis., operates nearly 80 independent telephone companies serving the suburban and rural areas of Alabama, Arkansas, California, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Texas, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin. It is a subsidiary of Telephone and Data Systems Inc. (TDS) of Chicago. In addition to its telephone subsidiary, TDS is a key competitor in the cellular and paging industries.

AT&T's business is information movement and management, providing quality products, systems and services to diverse markets around the globe. It had total 1989 revenues of $36.1 billion and assets of $37.7 billion.

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WILMINGTON, MASS. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Dynamics Research Corp. announced Wednesday receiving from the U.S. Navy contracts totaling approximately $22 million for continuing work with the Strategic Systems Program Office (SSPO).

Al Rand, president and chief executive officer said, ''We are happy to have been chosen to continue serving the Navy on this important program. This is a long standing program in which the company develops, maintains and operates an integrated data system, performs inertial instrument testing, and does associated analyses and evaluations in support of the Trident Guidance and Navigation Systems.''

Dynamics Research Corp. provides a wide range of specialized technical services to the Department of Defense and also manufactures components for industrial measurement and control.

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MIAMI (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The annual rush to deliver shipments of this year's Beaujolais Nouveau to the furthest points of the globe embraced every aircraft of Cargolux Airlines International's all-Boeing 747 fleet of freighters in order to beat the Nov. 15 embargo for opening the new wine set by the French Government.

As usual Cargolux combined its efforts with the airport authorities, custom officials, freight forwarders and shippers, to see that the French wine arrived in time for the myriad of parties, tastings and promotions staged throughout the United States and Canada to sample this year's new crop.

In the United States the first shipment of the new vintage arrived into Cargolux Airlines' Miami International Airport warehouse late Tuesday evening Nov. 13 and according to French Food & Wine News for Americas, ''this years harvest is the epitome of Beaujolais Nouveau.''

Cargolux Director - The Americas, Sigmar Sigurdsson toasted, ''another successful year of being a part of delivering to American wine lovers the latest shipment of the French Beaujolais Nouveau.''

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Cayman Systems Inc., a leading provider of Macintosh internetworking solutions, Wednesday announced $3.9 million in financing for business expansion and new product development.

Lead investors in Cayman Systems' expansion are Concord Partners, managed by Dillion Read and Co. Inc., and St. Paul Venture Capital Inc. Additional funding was provided by Cayman Systems' shareholders.

This round of financing follows the recent introduction of Cayman Systems' GatorBox AppleTalk-Ethernet gateway with Release 1.6 software, and GatorPrint, an application that provides UNIX-to-AppleTalk printing. Both products substantially increase the functionality of Macintosh and Ethernet networks. The new Release 1.6 software delivers significant performance improvements, with typical routing speeds that are up to 90 percent faster than earlier releases.

Cayman Systems will intensify research and development activities aimed at expanding the company's line of standard-setting AppleTalk-Ethernet hardware and software products into the broader local area network arena.

Cayman Systems Inc., founded in 1987 and based in Cambridge, Mass., is a leading developer of reliable, high performance network gateways. Current products include GatorBox, Cayman Systems' AppleTalk-Ethernet gateway; GatorShare, software that runs on the GatorBox and provides NFS file sharing to Macintosh users; GatorPrint, that allows UNIX users access to AppleTalk network printers; GatorMail, a Macintosh to Unix mail gateway; and GatorCard E/II, the fastest Ethernet card for the Macintosh II family of computers.

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WEST PALM BEACH, FLA. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Flagler National Bank, a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Flagler Bank Corp. (NASDAQ:FLGLA), announced Wednesday that it is conducting a due diligence examination of Central Savings & Loan Association which is located in Martin County, Fla.

Flagler and Central intend, if the examination is satisfactory, to enter into a Definitive Agreement for the acquisition of the assets and the assumption of the deposit liabilities of Central by Flagler National Bank. The acquisition

will be subject to regulatory approvals and other customary conditions.

Central, which opened for business in 1982, is a single office Association with approximately $23 million in deposits. The Flagler Bank Corp. has total assets of approximately $366 million.

Flagler expects to operate the new location as a branch of Flagler National Bank and, as a result, significant cost savings are anticipated. The acquisition, if completed, would represent Flagler's first branch office in Martin County, Fla.

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VALLEY STREAM, N.Y. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Nationwide Cellular Service Inc., (NASDAQ:NCEL) Wednesday announced financial results for the company's third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

During that period, revenues increased to $27.6 million, up from, $18.6 million in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased to $77.7 million, up from $49.9 million in the corresponding 1989 period.

During the third quarter of 1990, the company's net loss increased to $1,092,000 or 21 cents per common share, from a loss of $984,000 or 16 cents per share in the same 1989 period. Net loss for the first nine months of 1989 decreased to $5,724,000 or $1.01 per share, from a loss of $5,843,000 or $1.27 per share in 1989.

Included in the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989, the company recorded an expense of approximately $1,620,000, which was incurred in connection with the exchange of its 9 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures for common stock and warrants to acquire additional shares of common stock.

Of such expense, $1,427,000 represents the fair market value of the warrants. Also included in the company's net loss for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and Sept. 30, 1989 is the company's 50 percent share of the loss of Cellular Technical Services Co. (''CTS''). For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, CTS' loss increased to $136,000 from a loss of $97,000 for the same period in 1989. For the nine moths ended Sept. 30, 1990, CTS' loss decreased to $439,000 from a loss of $508,000 for the same period in 1989.

During 1990, the company continued to expand its subscriber base and currently has in excess of 65,000 subscribers in its various markets. The losses associated with this expansion are primarily the result of selling and

administrative costs associated with acquiring new subscribers. Once subscribers have been activated and begin using the company's services, they generate ongoing revenues.

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DES PLAINES, IL (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Amerihost Properties Inc. Wednesday announced its third quarter ended Sept. 30, resulted in all-time-high earnings.

It was the company's sixth consecutive quarterly profit. Michael P. Holtz, Amerihost's president, announced that Amerihost's earnings for the nine months ended September 30, also reached a record level. Revenues for the three months ended September 30, reached $1,035,000 off from $1,605,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Net income rose modestly to a record $46,000, or three cents a share, from $42,000, or three cents a share, a year earlier.

Sales for the nine months ended September 30, amounted to $4,381,000 versus $4,789,000 for the comparable year-ago period. Net income rose a record $71,000, or four cents a share, compared with a loss of $21,000, or one cent a share, for the first nine months of 1989.

Entering the field in January 1987, Amerihost has rapidly expanded its lodging activities to become INC Magazine's 67 fastest growing small public company. Today its 2,200 hotel rooms under management are valued at more than $60 million.

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NORTHVALE, NJ (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Baltek Corp. (NASDAQ:BTEK) Wednesday announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Jacques Kohn, president, commented, ''The decline in sales and earnings for the nine months reflects the continued softness in the U.S. pleasure boating industry as well as weakness in shrimp production and prices. Sales of balsa in the European market, however, partially offset these declines. Further, during the third quarter, the company recorded a substantial exchange gain due to the weakness of the U.S. dollar in relation to European currencies.

''In another development during the third quarter, we acquired the adjacent shrimp farming company which we expect to help increase efficiency and more fully utilize our Ecuadorean shrimp packing plant.''

Kohn concluded, ''The company's liquidity, as measured by working capital, improved to a ratio of 3.22 at Sept. 30, 1990 from 3.15 at Dec. 31, 1989.''

Baltek Corp.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$ 6,990,685	$ 7,529,832	$ 25,363,897	$ 27,915,450
Net income	$ 241,012	$ 246,761	$ 1,088,231	$ 2,166,037
Net income per common share	$ 0.10	$ 0.10	$ 0.43	$ 0.86
Average shares outstanding	2,523,261	2,523,261	2,523,261	2,523,261

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OAK BROOK, ILL. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - McDonald's Wednesday announced its test of a new lowfat ground beef sandwich, the Lean Deluxe.

The sandwich is made with a 91 percent fat-free beef patty which should be good news for nutrition-conscious consumers who love the taste of beef but want to cut down on fat in their diet.

This new low-fat ground beef is the result of three years of research and development by Auburn University. The work was encouraged by McDonald's and funded by the Beef Industry Council of the Meat Board in cooperation with Auburn University.

''If it weren't for McDonald's, this product would never have happened,'' said Dale Huffman, Ph.D., of Auburn University, who, together with co-worker Russ Egbert, developed the initial research for the new lowfat ground beef. ''McDonald's has refined our product and is the first to make it available to customers in their restaurants.''

''Our hamburgers are already classified 'lean' by the USDA, but when it comes to our products, we're never satisfied,'' said Ed Rensi, President, McDonald's USA. ''The Lean Deluxe offers our customers an additional lowfat menu choice and delivers the taste our customers expect. We're testing it in our restaurants in Harrisburg, PA, as an addition to our existing hamburger line-up.''

Members of the beef industry predict the impact of this new product will go beyond the McDonald's menu board. ''The beef industry already recognized the need to develop a leaner ground beef alternative,'' said Dave Hurt, Ph.D., Vice President, Research, National Live Stock and Meat Board. ''McDonald's helped move the entire beef industry in a direction that will benefit all consumers.''

The McDonald's Lean Deluxe is a lowfat ground beef sandwich made with a 91 percent fat-free, quarter pound beef patty served on a sesame seed bun with ketchup, mustard, pickle, onion, lettuce and tomato. It contains only 310 calories and 10 grams of fat.

McDonald's is the world's largest quick service restaurant organization, with more than 11,400 restaurants in 53 countries.

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CARMEL, IND. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Conseco Inc. (NYSE:CNC), a financial services company headquartered in Carmel, Wednesday commented on the recent activity in its stock, saying:

(1) The company last week reported record earnings from operations in the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, and also confirmed that Conseco expects to equal or exceed current analyst estimates of operating earnings per share of approximately $4.50 for the full year -- a 40 percent increase over the $3.21 earned by the company in 1989. Earnings from operations for the third quarter of 1990, excluding realized investment gains, were $9.1 million, or $1.20 per share fully diluted, up 30 percent on a per share basis from operating earnings of $8.5 million, or 92 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989. Nine-month 1990 operating earnings were $26.4 million, or $3.26 per share fully diluted, up 35 percent on a per share basis from $21.9 million, or $2.42 per share, in 1989.

(2) The company this morning (Wednesday, Nov. 14) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended Sept. 30. In the 10-Q, Conseco discussed its operating results and also stated that, ''During the fourth quarter of 1990, the company intends to sell

and issue in a private placement to one or more institutional investors up to $25.0 million stated value of Series C Redeemable Preferred Stock. The Series C Preferred Stock will be issued for stated value of $25 per share, will be redeemable at any time at the option of the company, and will accrue cumulative dividends payable quarterly at rates to be determined. The company intends to use the proceeds from the sale of the Series C Preferred Stock for general corporate purposes, including the repurchase of shares of its common stock pursuant to its stock repurchase program.'' The Series C Preferred Stock would not be convertible into common shares.

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LIVERPOOL, NY (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Medical Products Inc. (NASDAQ:ADVA) reported Wednesday the results of its first fiscal quarter that ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company's net sales increased 30 percent to $1,816,000 in the current quarter from $1,399,000 in the same quarter in the last fiscal year. Net income for the quarter increased $45,000 (69 percent) over the same period last year from $65,000 to $110,000.

''The Company's continued sales and profit growth are primarily attributable to the maturing of our distribution network and our increasing market share in the holter monitoring market,'' said Clarence Groff, president and CEO of AMP. ''These strengths position us well for the product diversification and substantial growth we expect in the coming year,'' Groff continued.

According to a recent Wall Street Journal review of advances in Medical Technology, over 90 percent of primary care physicians now perform in-office clinical diagnostic testing. The availability of rapid in-office results has allowed primary care physicians to initiate therapy, and relieve patient's anxiety, sooner. Advanced Medical Products is an emerging leader in the design of new generations of clinical diagnostic systems specifically for office-based physicians. AMP currently offers systems which are instrumental in the diagnosis of cardiovascular disease, hypertension and prevention of sudden cardiac death.

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NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (NYSE:FTX)

announced Wednesday that it has received court approval of the settlement of certain lawsuits which were filed following the initial announcement of the proposed merger of its affiliate, Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas Co. (NYSE:FMP), into a wholly owned subsidiary of FTX.

Subsequent to the court approval, FTX filed a certificate of merger with the Delaware Secretary of State. Upon acceptance of the certificate of merger by the Secretary of State, which is expected to occur later today, the merger will be consummated and each outstanding publicly held share of FMP common stock will be converted into .3119461 of a share of FTX common stock, resulting in the issuance of approximately 7 million FTX shares.

Holders of record of FTX common stock as of Nov. 15, 1990, including the shares of common stock issued pursuant to the merger, will receive the December dividends aggregating 62.5 cents per share on the FTX common stock.

As previously announced, the merger was approved by holders of approximately 90 percent of FMP's common stock. Of those publicly held shares which were voted, holders of approximately 97 percent of FMP common stock voted in favor of the merger.

FTX is a leader in the exploration, mining, development, production, processing, and marketing of natural resources. The company's assets include sulphur, phosphate rock, phosphate fertilizer products, oil and natural gas, copper, gold and other natural resources.

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DALLAS (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Atmos Energy Corp. (NYSE:ATO) Wednesday approved a 1 cent increase in the company's regular quarterly dividend on common stock.

The increase from 29 cents to 30 cents per share is effective with the dividend to be paid on Dec. 10, to shareholders of record on Nov. 26. The indicated annual dividend is now $1.20 per share.

Atmos Chairman Charles K. Vaughan said, ''We have raised our dividend for the third consecutive year. Since 1985, the dividend has increased 50 percent. We are pleased to continue our record of providing a good return to the shareholders who have invested with us.''

This is the 28th consecutive quarterly dividend paid by the company.

Atmos Energy Corp. provides natural gas service to more than one-half million customers in Texas, Louisiana, and Kentucky through its operating companies - Energas Company, Trans Louisiana Gas Company and Western Kentucky Gas Company.

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BOSTON/GENEVA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Ares-Serono Group Wednesday reported worldwide sales of US $150.9 million for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $114.9 million for the same period last year, an increase of 31.3 percent.

Net income increased by 8.9 percent to $14.8 million or $27.14 per share, compared with $13.5 million or $24.91 per share in 1989. Commenting on these results, Fabio Bertarelli, chief executive officer of The Ares-Serono Group, remarked, ''Sales performance for the third quarter proves to be well above the industry average, encouraging us to pursue our strong R&D investment strategy.''

Worldwide sales for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990 rose 24.1 percent to $453.2 million, compared with $365.3 million during the same period in 1989. Excluding favorable currency fluctuations, actual sales growth for the nine months of 1990 was 14.0 percent. Net income rose 3.6 percent to $44.8 million or $82.37 a share, compared with $43.2 million or $79.52 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Net income shows the impact of the group's continuous investments in research and development, in marketing, as well as its keeping up with a high level of investments in the diagnostic field. In addition, it includes foreign exchange differences of $3.0 million from Latin America, and increased financial expenses.

Year-to-date prescription pharmaceutical sales worldwide increased by 27.6 percent to $376.6 million from $295.2 million during the same period last year. After adjusting for currency effects, the growth in sales of pharmaceutical products was 17.1 percent.

Sales growth for pharmaceuticals was positively impacted by the new oncological indications obtained for Serono's native beta interferon, Frone, in Italy last quarter as well as the strong market penetration of Saizen, the recombinant human growth hormone, in Italy, France, Germany and Spain.

For the first nine months of 1990, sales of the group's diagnostic products

were $67.5 million, up 13.2 percent from $59.6 million. During the last quarter, the diagnostic division registered a particularly strong increase in sales on the French market as well as on its export markets.

During the first nine months of 1990, sales of over-the-counter products declined from $10.5 million to $9.1 million, due to the one-time repurchase of inventories in the first quarter resulting from a switch from an external to an internal Ares-Serono distribution network. Third quarter sales of the OTC division increased by 54.3 percent to $3.6 million.

The Ares-Serono Group is a leading multinational developer and marketer of pharmaceutical and diagnostic products with executive headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland and operating headquarters in Boston U.S.A. The Group operates subsidiaries and manufacturing facilities in more than 20 countries. Shares of Ares-Serono S.A., the parent company of the Group, are traded on the major Swiss stock exchanges.

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KENILWORTH, NJ (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - ''Schering-Plough has the product pipeline, the right strategic focus and the organizational vitality to sustain our record of growth and profitability for our shareholders,'' Robert P. Luciano, chairman and chief executive officer, told financial analysts during a meeting Wednesday here at the company's pharmaceutical headquarters.

Calling Schering-Plough ''a premier pharmaceutical company,'' Luciano reiterated his projection made a year earlier that 1990 earnings would increase by 18 to 20 percent. During the question-and-answer session that followed, he added, ''The same rate of growth -- 18 to 20 percent -- should carry over for 1991.''

Approximately 150 analysts and portfolio managers attended the meeting, which included remarks by Luciano and Richard J. Kogan, president and chief operating officer. The meeting opened with workshops on the company's pharmaceutical research progress and on developments in the Schering-Plough Pharmaceuticals and Schering-Plough HealthCare Products business units.

The chairman reviewed with analysts some of the major events that have occurred at Schering-Plough over the past year:

In April, a 2-for-1 stock split and an increase in the quarterly dividend from 45 cents, per pre-split share, to 56 cents were announced. The stock split was the second in three years; the dividend increase continues a five-year trend that has seen the dividend almost triple.

In September, a common stock repurchase program of up to $1 billion was announced.

The Maybelline cosmetics business was sold for $300 million to a Wasserstein Perella partnership.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) Biological Response Modifiers Advisory Committee unanimously recommended approval of ''Intron A'' alpha interferon for hepatitis C. The committee's recommendation was followed by a favorable article in The New England Journal of Medicine on a study using ''Intron A'' to treat chronic hepatitis B.

FDA's Fertility and Maternal Health Drugs Advisory Committee unanimously voted in June for approval of an OTC version of ''Gyne-Lotrimin'' to treat vaginal candidiasis.

A Product License Application was filed in early 1990 for ''Leucomax'', Schering-Plough's and Sandoz's brand of granulocyte macrophage colony stimulating factor (GM-CSF), as a treatment for patients with low white blood cell counts. In August, a joint application with Sandoz was filed for ''Leucomax'' with the European Economic Community's Committee for Proprietary Medicinal Products.

The antihypertensive dilevalol was withdrawn from international markets and from FDA review.

Pointing to the company's strong earnings performance, Luciano commented, ''We have built this record of growth -- and we expect to maintain it -- by adhering to the strategy we have been vigorously pursuing at Schering-Plough throughout the '80s, and the course on which we will remain for the years to come.''

A key element of that strategy involves a long-term commitment to research and development, he added. The company's R&D investments have increased substantially each year throughout the 1980s. R&D expenditures in 1990 will probably exceed the $370 million previously estimated, while those for 1991 should approximate $420 million.

Concentrating resources on emerging new technologies -- particularly biotechnology -- has also been a top priority, along with providing a state-of-the-art research environment for scientists. Extensive renewal during the past decade of Schering-Plough's entire research infrastructure will be capped in 1992 with the completion of the $300 million Drug Discovery Facility in Kenilworth.

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EL PASO, TX (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - El Paso Electric Co. reported results of operations for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three month period, net loss applicable to common stock (after regulatory disallowances of $14,402,000 and preferred stock dividend requirements of $2,429,000) was $7,954,000.

This compares to a net loss (after regulatory disallowances of $407,000, preferred stock dividend requirements of $2,901,000, and losses from discontinued operations of $35,098,000) of $24,776,000 for the same period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net loss applicable to common stock for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, (after regulatory disallowances of $19,629,000 and preferred stock dividend requirements of $9,597,000) was $18,960,000.

This compares to a net loss applicable to common stock (after regulatory disallowances of $15,894,000, preferred stock dividend requirements of $8,965,000, and losses from discontinued operations of $63,238,000) of $66,598,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Operating income for the third quarter of 1990 decreased by approximately $1,920,000 compared to the same period in 1989; and for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, operating income declined by approximately $10,491,000.

The company continued to experience increases in base revenues (revenues before fuel revenues) as evidenced by the growth in KWH sales. Native system KWH sales increased .8 percent and 1.8 percent for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to the same periods in 1989.

Total system KWH energy sales increased 2.2 percent for the same comparable periods. Base revenues also increased as a result of base rate increases in Texas and New Mexico effective June 1989 and May 1990, respectively, and from bonded rates for Texas in June 1990.

While base revenues increased in both the three- and nine-month periods, the increases were offset by general increases in operating expenses, including reductions in phase-in plan deferrals.

In addition, in spite of all three units at the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station returning to full operation in July 1990, the outages of Palo Verde Units 1 and 2 during the first half of 1990 continued to negatively impact operating results for nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In the aggregate, the company has recorded, net of taxes, $19,629,000 of

regulatory disallowances during the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, of which $14,402,000 was recorded in the third quarter 1990.

The disallowances recorded in the third quarter 1990 were the greatest factor contributing to the net loss. In August 1990, the Public Utility Commission of Texas rendered its final order in the company's filing to reconcile the company's fuel expenses and revenues for the period Aug. 1, 1985, through March 31,1989.

Upon rehearing, the company was ordered to refund to Texas customers approximately $7,100,000, plus interest, over a 12-month period.

As a result of this order, and a recent Texas Supreme Court decision, the company wrote off the balance of its unrecovered costs in connection with an abandoned uranium fuel joint venture. Aggregate pre-tax write-offs related to the company's fuel case were approximately $14 million.

In August 1990, the PUCT also issued its final order in connection with the company's filing for the third scheduled base rate increase under the rate moderation plan in the company's Texas jurisdiction.

The final order provides for an approximate $11.2 million increase in Texas base rates ($7.1 million in cash and $4.1 million in phase-in deferrals) and approximately $2 million for rate case expenses to be surcharged to its Texas customers over 12 months.

The company had filed for a $33.9 million increase ($7.1 million in cash and $26.8 million in phase-in deferrals). As a result of the order and a recent Texas Supreme Court decision, the company recorded approximately $4 million in pre-tax regulatory disallowances.

The company also recorded approximately $8.1 million in pre-tax regulatory disallowances during the second quarter 1990 in connection with the New Mexico Public Service Commission's final order denying the company's requested amendment to its New Mexico rate moderation plan.

Other factors affecting the three- and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 were increased interest costs due to greater outstanding debt balances; and reduced phase-in plan deferred return resulting from decreased deferrals allowed by the PUCT in the company's recent rate cases.

El Paso Electric is an electric utility serving approximately 243,000 customers in El Paso, Texas and the Rio Grande Valley in Texas and New Mexico. The company has a 15.8 percent interest in each of the three 1,270 megawatt nuclear generating units at the Palko Verde Nuclear Generating Station located near Phoenix, Arizona.

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EAST HANOVER, NJ (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Ultimate Corp. (NYSE:ULT) expects its recently announced layoffs and expense reductions to cut selling, general and administrative costs at the software and services company by up to $5 million per quarter, or $20 million annually, according to Michael J. O'Donnell, Ultimate's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

O'Donnell said the company expects the cost-cutting to be effective in returning Ultimate to profits, but anticipates that revenues may drop by 10 percent or more as the effects of recession are felt over the coming year.

In remarks Wednesday before the Atlanta Society of Financial Analysts, O'Donnell said that the company expects to write off certain intangible assets including good will, for several small operations. He added that the write-off will decrease the company's depreciation and amortization burdens, with positive results for future quarters.

''We made the cuts to size our operation to our anticipated revenue and gross profit margins,'' O'Donnell said. ''The cuts reflected both the consolidation of internal services made possible by increased employee productivity, and the elimination of several small operations in Canada, Australia, France and the United States.''

O'Donnell declined to estimate the size of the ''significant'' charge to earnings that Ultimate expects to report for its second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, but said that the charge will include the costs of cutting back, including severance and facilities charges, as well as the write-off of assets from the disposed operations.

He said that the charge is under study by the company's auditors and should be announced in mid-December.

O'Donnell also commented on Ultimate's recent forays into the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe. ''We have sold 35 large systems to the U.S.S.R. over the last couple of years, amounting to about $5 million in revenues. All those systems were paid in hard currency, which will continue to be our preference until currency exchange mechanisms are fully in place.''

He said that Ultimate completed a very successful seminar on first-time computerization in Moscow during October, following week-long meetings with Soviet economists, business managers and government officials.

Ultimate provides business solutions to companies of all sizes by integrating system-level software and applications software on hardware platforms from

premier computer vendors such as Bull HN, Hewlett-Packard, IBM and Sequoia Systems.

The firm also provides education, training, consulting and field-maintenance services to customers across a wide range of vertical markets. In addition to its North American operations, Ultimate has subsidiaries in the United Kingdom France and Australia.

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FORT WORTH, TX (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Pier 1 Imports Inc., (NYSE:PIR) reported Wednesday that consolidated sales for the fiscal month ended Nov. 3, 1990 increased 27.8 percent to $44,068,000 from $34,492,000 a year earlier.

Sales from Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc., acquired in late September 1990, contributed $8,165,000 to the consolidated sales for the fiscal month.

The company stated that comparable store sales for Pier 1 stores decreased 7.3 percent for the month while comparable store sales for Sunbelt stores grew 6.3 percent.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of American International Group, Inc. (AIG) Wednesday declared a quarterly cash dividend of 11.0 cents per share on the company's common stock, payable March 22, 1991 to shareholders of record on March 8, 1991.

AIG is the leading U.S.-based international insurance organization and the nation's largest underwriter of commercial and industrial coverages. Its member companies write property, casualty, marine, life and financial services insurance in over 130 countries and jurisdictions, and are engaged in a range of financial service businesses.

American International Group, Inc.'s common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and the stock exchanges in London, Paris and Tokyo.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Smith, Dennis & Gaylord Inc. (SD&G) and Cognos Inc. have recently reached a partnership agreement whereby SD&G will incorporate Cognos' PowerPlay into its BUSINESS/XL Financial Management applications.

The union of these two products will serve to create software solutions with built-in Executive Information System capabilities.

SD&G has developed specialized software which enables PowerPlay to work with the BUSINESS/XL financial software. This is one element of the product offering that will be marketed as BUSINESS/XL Dimensions.

SD&G is a key software solution provider in the Hewlett-Packard minicomputer (HP 3000) marketplace. The companpy has been a PowerHouse partner since 1988. ''SD&G's newly enhanced working relationship with Cognos is evidence of the value that we place on our strategic alliances,'' said Jon Witty, director of sales and marketing. ''Furthermore,'' said Witty, ''we are confident that the addition of BUSINESS/XL Dimensions will help us maintain a leadership position in the project accounting market.''

SD&G is a provider of state-of-the-art Project Accounting and Financial Management software solutions. These solutions meet the sophisticated needs of government contractors, environmental services firms, engineering companies professional services firms, and other organizations with demanding accounting requirements. These organizations typically maintain at least 100 professional employees on staff and have annual revenues of at least $20 million.

Cognos markets application development software used on mid-range computers. The publicly held company is headquartered in Ottawa, Canada, with worldwide sales, service and marketing operations based in Burlington, Mass.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Farm Credit System reported combined net income of $93 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared with net income of $158 million for the same period of the prior year.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $455 million, compared with $514 million for the first nine months of 1989. Income before an extraordinary loss related to a repurchase of debt for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $132 million and $494 million, respectively; no extraordinary items were reflected in 1989 income.

''Even though the System's net income for the third quarter of 1990 declined when compared with the same period of 1989, the level of core earnings of the system, as represented by the excess of net interest income over net other expenses, continued to improve,'' stated James A. Brickley, president and chief executive officer of the Federal Farm Credit Banks Funding corporation.

''Core earnings also improved for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 as compared with the same period last year. The primary factor leading to this strengthening of core earnings was an increase in net interest income.''

Net interest income increased $52 million to $288 million for the third quarter of 1990 and increased $172 million to $904 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared with net interest income of $236 million and $732 million, respectively, for the same periods of the prior year. The increase in net interest income was primarily attributable to the replacement of maturing higher-cost debt with lower-cost debt.

Offsetting this improvement in net interest income were reductions in the negative provision for loan losses. The negative provision for the third quarter was $4 million and for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $40 million, a decline of $72 million and $192 million respectively, from the negative provisions recorded during the comparable periods of 1989. Moreover, during the third quarter of 1990 the System's net income was reduced as a result of a $39 million extraordinary loss related to the repurchase by the Farm Credit Bank of Spokane of certain of its higher-cost debt. No extraordinary items were recognized during the third quarter or the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The Farm Credit System is a nationwide system of federally chartered agricultural lending institutions cooperatively owned by their borrowers.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Blackstone Income Trust Inc. Monthly review - November 1990.

Distribution information:

$0.0875	Nov. 30, 1990	Nov. 15, 1990	Nov. 1, 1990

Investment adviser commentary:

Fixed income markets traded more positively in October following a drop in oil prices and passage of a deficit reduction bill by Congress. Yields of 30 year Treasury securities fell from over 9 percent to 8.75 percent at the end of October. With the economy facing a potential recession, the Federal Reserve lowered short-term interest rates by 25 basis points, and many market participants believe that further easing of monetary policy in the near future is likely.

Portfolio Databank (As of 10/31/90):

Portfolio Composition	Current Percentage
Mortgage Pass-Throughs	41 Pct.
Multiple Class Mortgage Pass-Throughs	19 Pct.
Stripped Mortgage-Backed Securities	6 Pct.
CMO Residuals	25 Pct.
Asset Backed Securities	6 Pct.
High Quality Money Market Securities	3 Pct.

Performance Update

	Oct. 31	Sept. 28	Aug. 31
NAV	$8.50	$8.35	$8.30
Stock Price	$8.25	$7.75	$8.13

	On initial offering price ($10.00)	On Oct. 31 Stock price ($8.25)
Annualized distribution rate	10.50 Pct.	12.73 Pct.
Annualized bond equivalent distribution rate	10.73 Pct.	13.07 Pct.

General overview

The Blackstone Income Trust Inc. is a closed-end fund whose primary objective is to generate high monthly income using high quality mortgage securities. The Trust is advised by Blackstone Financial Management L.P., a registered investment adviser based in New York. Additional information on the Trust's assets and performance is contained in the Semi-Annual Report for the period ended April 30, 1990. For further information on the Trust, call 212/214-3332.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Blackstone Target Term Trust Inc. November 1990 Monthly Update.

Distribution Information:

$0.0792	Nov. 30, 1990	Nov. 15, 1990	Nov. 1, 1990

Investment Adviser Commentary:

Fixed income markets traded more positively in October following a drop in oil prices and passage of a deficit reduction bill by Congress. Yields of 30 year Treasury securities fell from over 9.0 percent to 8.75 percent at the end of October. With the economy facing a potential recession, the Federal Reserve lowered short-term interest rates by 25 basis points, and many market participants believe that further easing of monetary policy in the near future is likely.

Portfolio Databank (As of 10/31/90):

Portfolio Composition	Current Percentage
Mortgage Pass-Throughs	12 pct.
Multiple Class Mortgage Pass-Throughs	9 pct.
Stripped Mortgage-Backed Securities	4 pct.
CMO Residuals	27 pct.
Zero Coupon Bonds	32 pct.
U.S. Government Securities and Municipal Bonds	15 pct.
Asset Backed Securities	1 pct.

Performance Update

	Oct. 31	Sept. 28	Aug. 31
NAV	$9.24	$9.08	$9.07
Stock Price	$9.75	$9.75	$9.63

	On Initial Offering Price ($10.00)	On Oct. 31 Stock Price ($9.75)
Annualized Distribution Rate	9.50 pct.	10.77 pct.
Annualized Bond Equivalent Distribution Rate	9.69 pct.	11.01 pct.

The Blackstone Target Term Trust Inc., is a closed-end fund whose primary objective is to generate high monthly income using high quality mortgage securities and return $10 per share to investors on Dec. 31, 2000. The Trust is rated AAAf by Standard & Poor's Corp. The Trust is advised by Blackstone

Financial Managmenet L.P., a registered investment adviser based in New York. Additional information on the Trust's assets and performance is contained in the Semi-Annual Report for the period ended April 30, 1990. For further information on the Trust, call 212/214-3332.

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JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of St. Joe Paper Co. (NYSE:SJP) announced Wednesday it had declared a regular cash dividend for the fourth quarter of 5 cents per share, payable on Dec. 26, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 10.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - An agreement was signed Wednesday by Rockwell International Corp.'s Autonetics Marine and Aircraft Systems Division (AM & ASD) and FIAR (Fabbrica Italiana Apparecchiature Radioelettriche) of Milan, Italy to jointly retrofit and modernize the avionic systems of defense aircraft worldwide.

The two companies, which have been collaborating since 1960, will combine their capabilities in program management and avionics' integration.

Under the agreement, Rockwell will also have the option to manufacture under license FIAR radar in the United States for installation in F-5's and other aircraft.

The market for avionics systems retrofit and upgrade is expected to reach $25 billion worldwide in the next 10 years and the two companies hope to substantially penetrate that market.

FIAR has developed a line of pulse doppler radars for the retrofit market. The most recent model -- GRIFO F -- was designed for the F-5E/F as an attractive alternative to its standard system. The advanced retrofit package offers many operational options and can be installed with no structural modifications to the aircraft.

FIAR is an Italian company known internationally for advanced electronic systems for defense, space applications and environmental monitoring. As of Jan. 1, 1991, FIAR will be controlled by Finmeccanica and Breda Finanziaria - two major Italian industrial groups with combined revenues of approximately

$10 billion.

Rockwell International, with revenues of approximately $12 billion, operates in electronics, aerospace and automation.

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BROOKLYN, N.Y. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - After 10 years of planning, including four years of hearings and deliberations, the Iroquois Gas Transmission System received construction approval Wednesday from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

The 370-mile pipeline will transport 576 million cubic feet of Canadian gas daily to 21 Northeastern utilities and cogenerators. Through its subsidiary, North East Transmission Co. Inc., Brooklyn Union (NYSE:BU) has the largest distribution-company ownership in the Iroquois project, from which it expects to receive 70 million cubic feet of gas per day in the winter of 1991-92.

The gas to be transported by Iroqouis will displace 30 million barrels of oil annually, and heat 1.5 million homes. Also, the new gas supply will reduce sulfur emissions in the Northeast by more than 75,000 tons annually.

Robert B. Catell, president and chief operating officer of Brooklyn Union Gas, hailed the FERC decision as a ''giant step forward in our goal to build the Iroquois pipeline which would help satisfy the growing demand for clean natural gas to meet energy needs. Gas from Canada will play a crucial role in helping the Northeast meet federal clean-air standards. Consumers and the environment are the winners.''

The gas volumes will be sold to the distribution companies through Alberta Northeast Gas Ltd. (ANE), a Canadian corporation formed by utilities in the Northeast to purchase gas from producers in Alberta, Canada. Catell serves as chairman of ANE.

''Long before the Persian Gulf crisis, Brooklyn Union recognized the need to bolster the energy security of our region,'' said Edward J. Sondey, Brooklyn Union vice president for gas supply and one of the original planners, ''and the compelling advantages of Iroquois clearly demonstrate it as the best way to tap into a major new long-term supply of secure, competitively priced natural gas.''

Recently, TransCanada PipeLines Ltd. secured approval from The National Energy Board of Canada for a rolled-in tolling methodology. Construction of the pipeline is expected to commence early in 1991, with initial deliveries

expected by November of that year.

Brooklyn Union Gas serves 1.1 million customers in New York City's boroughs of Brooklyn, Queens and Staten Island.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Government health officials Wesnesday announced the implementation of a federally funded nationwide program designed to break the spread of hepatitis B, a serious liver infection, from mothers to their newborn babies.

Experts from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) met in Seattle with public health officials who will conduct the program to screen pregnant women receiving prenatal care in the public sector and vaccinate the babies of mothers who are found to be hepatitis B carriers.

Hepatitis B infects some 300,000 Americans a year, and there are up to 1 million carriers in the United States. Of the women who give birth each year, as many as 18,000 are hepatitis B carriers, many who are unaware they can spread the disease to their babies through infected blood at the time of birth.

''All babies of chronically infected mothers are at extremely high risk of being infected,'' said Dr. Harold Margolis, chief, hepatitis branch, CDC. ''But immediate immunization of newborns has been shown to be up to 95 percent effective in breaking the cycle of infection from carrier mother to baby.

''However, government studies show that about 40 percent of physicians in private and public sectors are not routinely screening pregnant women for hepatitis B,'' said Margolis.

The National Perinatal Immunization Program provided $10 million to 52 state and local immunization grant recipients this year. The program marks the first time federal funds have been appropriated for hepatitis B immunization of newborns, as recommended by the Immunization Practices Advisory Committee of the U.S. Public Health Service.

Under the new program, all pregnant women receiving prenatal care through the public sector will have blood tests to determine if they are infected with the hepatitis B virus. Women who test positive will be advised that their newborn infants need three doses of hepatitis B vaccine and one dose of hepatitis B immune globulin, the first doses to be administered as soon as possible after birth.

Describing hepatitis B as a ''serious disease with major public impact,'' Dr. Walter A. Orenstein, director, division of immunization, CDC, said that 85 percent to 90 percent of the babies infected with hepatitis B become carriers and that an estimated one-fourth of these carriers ultimately die from cirrhosis of the liver or liver cancer.

The Hepatitis B Action Group, a working committee of NFID's National Coalition for Adult Immunization, consists of associations, medical specialty societies, federal agencies and industry.

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DALLAS (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Abatix Environmental Corp. (NASDAQ:ABIX) Wednesday announced record sales for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the third quarter of 1990 increased 6 percent to $2,859,147 from $2,699,080 one year earlier. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 declined to $75,627 or $.03 per share from $195,420 or $.09 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990 sales increased 17 percent to $7,498,021 from $6,427,462 in 1989. Net income was $170,072 or $.07 per share as compared to $380,290 or $.20 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Earnings per share calculations for the third quarter and nine months of 1990 were based on 2,407,520 and 2,306,217 weighted average shares outstanding, respectively, an increase of 16% and 20% from 2,081,817 and 1,923,366 weighted average shares outstanding, respectively, for comparable periods in 1989. The increase in the weighted average shares outstanding principally resulted from the Company's issuance of 289,483 shares upon exercise of warrants completed May 1, 1990.

Higher revenues for the current nine month period were principally attributable to an increase in market share of the asbestos abatement industry. The 6% increase in revenues for the third quarter was due to new sales in the hazardous materials industry. Net income in the third quarter and nine month period of 1990 declined as increased price competition in the asbestos abatement market resulted in a slight decline in gross profit margins. Earnings for 1990 were further impacted by ongoing expenses for the Company's Houston, Texas facility, established in February 1990, and its recently expanded Hayward, California facility.

According to Terry W. Shaver, President, ''In response to the anticipated slowdown in the asbestos abatement industry, the Company has been expanding its distribution services to include the hazardous materials (haz-mat) industry. Approximately 10 percent of total sales in the third quarter were to the haz-mat industry. The percent of sales to this segment is expected to increase significantly in the future. We are especially pleased with the growing contribution to revenues from our Houston facility opened earlier this year.

''Although gross margins were impacted by intense price competition in the asbestos abatement industry in the third quarter and nine month periods, we are confident that gross margins in the fourth quarter will improve as prices stabilize and as sales to the hazardous materials industry increase.''

Shaver concluded, ''Importantly, several competing distributors have recently curtailed their activities in the asbestos abatement industry and we anticipate that others may do so in the coming months. Abatix' strong financial position enables us to exploit these market opportunities while further developing our presence in the haz-mat market.''

Abatix Environmental Corporation is a distributor to the asbestos abatement, hazardous materials and industrial safety industries. The Company's product lines include personal safety and protection products and durable and non-durable equipment and supplies.

Abatix has distribution centers in Dallas and Houston, Texas and in Hayward, California and a sales office in Nederland, Texas from which it services customers throughout the Southwest, Midwest and Pacific Coast including asbestos abatement contractors and toxic waste remediation, chemical, petrochemical and general industrial companies.

Abatix Environmental Corp.
Statements of Income
(Unaudited)

	Third Quarter Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$2,859,147	$2,699,080	$7,498,021	$6,427,462
Net Income	$ 75,627	$ 195,420	$ 170,072	$380,290
Earnings Per Share	$.03	$.09	$.07	$.20
Weighted Average Shares	2,407,520	2,081,817	2,306,217	1,923,366

Balance Sheet Highlights

At:	September 30, 1990	December 31, 1989
Current Assets	$3,771,053	$2,917,809
Total Assets	4,081,090	3,075,828
Current Liabilities	$ 997,858	$ 939,942

Long-term debt	21,433	6,788
Stockholders' Equity	3,061,799	2,119,340
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$4,081,090	$3,075,828
Current Ratio	3.8:1	3.1:1
Book Value	$ 1.35	$ 1.06
Shares Outstanding	2,270,683	2,001,200

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ATLANTA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Georgia Power Co. announced Wednesday that it plans to redeem on Jan. 2, 1991, a total of $34,292,000 principal amount of its First Mortgage Bonds, by operation of the Annual Improvement Fund requirement.

The redemption amount will be allocated to two of the company's outstanding issues as follows:

13-1/8 percent First Mortgage Bonds due 2012 $20,852,000 11-3/4 percent First Mortgage Bonds due 2005 $13,440,000

The redemption of the 13-1/8 percent First Mortgage Bonds (Cusip No. 373334BY6) will result in a full redemption of all outstanding bonds of this series. Chemical Bank, as bond trustee, will notify each registered holder by first-class mail on or before Dec. 3. The books will be closed to transfer on Jan. 2, 1991, the redemption date.

For the partial redemption of the 11-3/4 percent First Mortgage Bonds (Cusip No. 373334BM2), the trustee will select on a random basis the bonds to be redeemed and notify each registered holder on or before Dec. 3, by first-class mail.

The date of record for the purpose of selecting bonds for redemption will be the close of business on Nov. 23. The books will be closed to transfer through the close of business on Nov. 27.

Redemptions of these bond issues, for Improvement Fund purposes, will be at the special redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof and accrued interest to the date of redemption, without premium.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - John Nuveen & Co. Inc. announced the filing of a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission, for the initial public offering of common stock of the Nuveen Insured Quality Municipal Fund Inc., a tax-free, closed-end investment company.

The common stock offering is expected to take place in December at a price of $15 per share. The registration statement is for an offering of 10 million shares, plus additional shares to cover underwriters' overallotments.

Nuveen anticipates that the common stock will be listed on the New York Stock Exchange. All bonds in the portfolio will have the timely payment of their principal and interest guaranteed by AAA rated insurers or by escrow accounts containing U.S. government or U.S. government agency securities.

Alex. Brown & Sons Inc. is the lead manager of the underwriting. Co-managers include PaineWebber Inc., John Nuveen & Co. Inc., Prudential-Bache Capital Funding, Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc., A.G. Edwards & Sons Inc., Blunt Ellis & Loewi (a division of Kemper Securities Group Inc.) and Legg Mason Wood Walker Inc.

The fund will be managed by Nuveen Advisory Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Nuveen. Nuveen has sponsored more than $40 billion of tax-free trusts and funds nationwide. Founded in 1898 and headquartered in Chicago, Nuveen is the nation's oldest and largest investment banking firm specializing in the underwriting, trading and marketing of municipal bonds, and of tax-free unit trusts, mutual funds and closed-end funds.

Income from the fund will be federal income taxes but may be subject to state and local income taxes, as well as to the federal alternative minimum tax. Capital gains, if any, will be subject to capital gains taxes.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Display Technology Inc. (AMEX:IDT), Wednesday reported revenues for the third quarter of 1990 increased slightly to $15.2 million over the $15.1 million reported for the third 1989 quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 IDT reported revenues increased 9 percent to a record $38.8 million compared with revenues of $35.3 million for the nine month 1989 period.

Third quarter 1990 net income of $761,000 was down 14 percent compared with net income of $889,000 for the same 1989 period. For the first nine months of 1990, net income decreased 5 percent to $994,000 compared with net income of $1,054,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

The company's backlog as of Sept. 30, 1990 was $28.7 million, a 24 percent increase, compared with a backlog of $23.1 million as of Sept. 30, 1989. The company expects all backlog orders to be filled within a year.

Information Display Technology Inc., designs, engineers, manufactures, and markets custom-designed writing and projection surfaces, chalkborads and market boards, custom cabinetry and partitions for healthcare facilities, offices and institutions; exterior architectural building panels and cataloged office products.

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NORWALK, CT (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Perkin-Elmer Corp. (NYSE:PKN) Wednesday reported growth in earnings, sales, and orders for the first quarter of its 1991 fiscal year.

In the quarter, which ended on Oct. 31, Perkin-Elmer's net income rose 16 percent to $9.9 million from $8.5 million a year ago. Earnings per share increased to 30 cents from 19 cents last year. The average number of shares outstanding in the current period was 33.3 million compared with 43.8 million in the prior year.

Sales in the quarter grew 11 percent to $204.8 million from $183.9 million last year, and orders in the quarter were $207.4 million compared with $185.3 million a year ago, an increase of 12 percent. Results for last year included approximately $7 million in sales and $10 million in orders of Semiconductor Equipment Service, a unit that was subsequently divested. The effect on earnings was minimal.

''Orders growth in the quarter was led by analytical instruments which were up by 21 percent in a year to year comparison,'' said Horace G. McDonell, chairman and chief executive officer. ''Instruments introduced earlier in this calendar year were the strongest contributors to the increases, with products for the biotechnology and environmental markets sharply higher.''

McDonell also noted that the gains in business were broadly-based geographically and were aided by favorable currency trends.

''We are pleased by the continued growth of our businesses,'' McDonnell said. ''However, economic developments are being watched closely and the business will be managed accordingly. We believe Perkin-Elmer's broad range of products, geographic diversity, and concentration on growth markets that are minimally cyclical, provide the best defense against difficult economic conditions.''

Backlog at Oct. 31 was $165.8 million compared with $146.4 million a year ago.

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Mr. Gasket Co. (NASDAQ:MRGC) Wednesday reported results of the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the quarter was $156,000 (or 2 cents per share) compared with net losses of $483,000 (or 5 cents per share) for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net sales for the quarter were $23,604,000 compared with $24,766,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,903,000 (18 cents per share) compared with net losses of $161,000 (2 cents per share) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, an increase of $2,064,000. Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $81,759,000, compared to $85,749,000 in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net sales for the quarter were negatively affected by a fire at its Mexicali, Mexico, manufacturing facility in December of 1989, and a reduced sales emphasis on non-automotive items.

The company's continued emphasis on cost containment, efficiency and cash flow management is continuing to result in improved profitability. The company is continuing to take steps to further its cost reduction and efficiency program by combining its California Wheel & Tire Group with its Exhaust & Off Road Group in Tempe, Ariz. Administrative and marketing departments and distribution facilities are being relocated in Tempe. Although the favorable

financial impact of the combination will not be totally realized until 1991, the company is beginning to realize the benefits of improved customer service and improved internal controls.

Mr. Gasket Co. manufactures, imports and distributes an extensive line of products for the automotive aftermarket. The company's products are designed to improve the performance and/or appearance of automobiles and light trucks. The products include exterior automobile accessories, exhaust systems, custom wire, steel and aluminum wheels, transmission shifters and other performance products.

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WOODBURY, NY (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Cablevision Systems Corp. (ASE:CVC) Wednesday reported third quarter 1990 results, citing double digit increases in revenues and operating cash flow.

Revenues for the three and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $141,434,000 and $416,384,000, respectively, compared to revenues of $124,415,000 and $360,531,000, respectively, for the same periods in 1989.

The three and nine month increases of 14 percent and 15 percent, respectively, resulted primarily from rate increases and internal subscriber growth, and from the December 1989 acquisition of cable systems from Times Mirror Cable Television Inc. Additionally, the nine month increase in 1990 reflects nine full months of revenues from the company's acquisition, in mid-February 1989, of cable television systems from Viacom Inc.

Operating cash flow (defined as operating profit before depreciation and amortization) for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 amounted to $59,961,000 and $175,541,000 respectively, representing increases of 14 percent and 16 percent respectively over the comparable 1989 periods. The increases were mainly attributable to the items discussed above.

The company reported net losses for the three and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $(74,534,000) and $(216,273,000), or $(3.38) and $(9.85) per common share after preferred dividend requirement, as compared to net losses of $(57,886,000) and $(92,885,000) or $(2.66) and $(4.33) per common share after preferred dividend requirement for the same periods in 1989. The 1989 results reflected a one-time gain of $103,214,000 on the sale of certain programming interests in April 1989.

Excluding the effects of the one time gain in 1989, the increase in the nine month 1990 loss is mainly due to additional interest and depreciation and

amortization expenses related to cable system acquisitions in 1989.

Net interest expense amounted to approximately $66,330,000 for the three month and $194,753,000 for the nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990. Of these amounts, approximately $18 million and $50 million, respectively, required no current cash outlays. The reported net interest expense represent increases of approximately $7,863,000 and $31,263,000, respectively, over the comparable 1989 periods.

Depreciation and amortization expense amounted to approximately $161,589,000 for the first nine months of 1990 as compared to approximately $144,149,000 for the same period in 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, approximately 1,318,000 households subscribed to the company's cable television services. This represents a penetration rate of 67 percent of homes passed and a gain of more than
44,500 subscribers during the first nine months of 1990.

Cablevision Systems Corp. owns and operates cable television systems in 11 states, and through subsidiaries owns interests in companies which produce and distributed programming services and provide advertising sales services for the cable television industry.

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LOS ANGELES, CA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Leo's Industries, Inc. (ASE:LI) Wednesday announced results for the second quarter and six month period ended September 30, 1990.

For the three months ended September 30, 1990, total revenues reached $23,169,000 up from $19,725,000 in the second quarter of 1989. The increase was principally the result of the growth of the Company's cellular telephone reselling subsidiary, Twentieth Century Cellular, whose revenues reached $4,571,000, up from $3,404,000 in the immediately preceding quarter ended June 30, 1990.

In the second quarter ended September 30, 1989, the Company did not have any reselling operations and acted as an agent for cellular telephone companies in Southern California, deriving $1,129,000 in commissions. The Company remains a cellular telephone company agent in the Sacramento area and in the current second quarter, reported $93,000 in commissions. It should be noted that because of the transition from an agent to a reseller in November 1989, results for the second quarter of 1990 and 1989 are not strictly comparable.

Second quarter 1990 net sales from retail store operations were $18,505,000 versus $18,596,000 in the second quarter of 1989.

Effective April 1, 1990, Leo's Industries changed its accounting principle and began to expense as incurred all cellular telephone subscriber acquisition costs instead of deferring such costs. As a result, the Company recorded significantly higher cost of sales and increases in selling, general and administrative costs in the second quarter ended September 30, 1990.

The Company experienced a net loss for this period of $1,992,000 or $.44 per share. In the second quarter of 1989, when Leo's was an agent and did not incur cellular telephone subscriber acquisition costs, it had net income of $799,000 or $.20 per share.

Highlights of results for the six months ended September 30, 1990 are included in the attached table. It should be noted that the Company restated its 10Q for the first quarter ended June 30, 1990 to give cumulative effect as of April 1, 1990 to the aforementioned change in accounting. The effects of this change were to reduce earnings for the three months ended June 30, 1990 by $3,906,000 or $.90 per share.

Leo's Industries, Inc. operates Twentieth Century Cellular, Inc. a certified reseller of cellular telephone services in California, as well as Leo's Stereo Inc., a 38 store retail consumer electronics chain. These stores feature a diverse selection of brand name audio/video merchandise, but specialize in cellular telephone and in the installation of car stereos and alarms.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Williams Sonoma Inc. Wednesday announced net earnings for the third quarter ended Oct. 28, 1990 of $1,866,000 17 cents per share, an increase of 34 percent over third quarter ended Oct. 29, 1989 of $1,389,000, 14 cents per share.

The net earnings reported for the 39 weeks ended Oct. 28, 1990 were $2,841,000 28 cents per share, compared to the net earnings of $1,894,000, 19 cents per share, for the like period of 1989.

Net sales for the 13 week period ended Oct. 28, 1990 were $63,829,000, an increase of 18.5 percent over the $53,869,000 reported for the 13 weeks ended Oct. 29, 1989.

Comparable store sales increased 3.5 percent while mail order sales were up 15.6 percent against the 13 weeks ended Oct. 29, 1989. Total net sales for the 39 week period were $177,833,000, an increase of 25.1 percent over the $142,133,000 reported for the 39 weeks ended Oct. 29, 1989.

Williams-Sonoma Inc. is a nationwide specialty retailer of high quality kitchenware and other products for the home and garden. These products are marketed through 139 retail stores and five mail order catalogs representing six distinct merchandise strategies: Williams Sonoma, Pottery Barn, Hold Everything, Chambers, Gardener's Eden and California Closet Company.

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James E. Riley, 415/421-7900

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SHREVEPORT, LA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Wednesday Arkla Inc.'s (NYSE:ALG) board of directors declared cash dividends as follows:

Common Stock	27 cents per share
Preferred Stock	75 cents per share

Series A, both payable Dec. 14, 1990, to record owners Nov. 26, 1990.

CONTACT: Arkla Inc., Shreveport
Jim Ivey, 318/429-2980

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POMPANO BEACH, FL - (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - ROCK-A-BYE BABY INC., a Pompano Beach-based manufacturer of proprietary infant care products, has completed a long term manufacturing agreement with Burcliff Industries Inc., the world's second largest heating pad manufacturer.

According to Andrew Horn, president of ROCK-A-BYE BABY Inc., Burcliff has agreed to utilize most of the capacity of its Mishawaka, Ind. plant to supply ROCK-A-BYE BABY with up to 200,000 of it's patented waffle-design heating pads annually.

The new agreement will allow ROCK-A-BYE BABY to meet growing demand for its COMFY WIPE WARMER, a patented product that warms baby wipes.

The heating pads were designed especially for ROCK-A-BYE BABY to provide a number of important safety features not available on any other baby wipes warmer, including an on-off switch, lower operating temperature, and snug

wrap-around fit on wipes containers of any shape or size. The pad's waffle design also eliminates the possibility of wire movement within the pad.

COMFY WIPE WARMER, utilizing the Burcliff heating pad, is the only baby wipes warmer tested and approved by Underwriters Laboratories.

''Our agreement with Burcliff makes COMFY WIPE WARMER the safest baby wipe warmer available today, and gives us the increased production capacity we need to meet both current and future demand for the product,'' Horn said. ''And, of course we're proud that it is American-made.''

ROCK-A-BYE BABY's infant care products, including COMFY WIPE WARMER and ROCK-A-BYE BEAR, the original natural audio pacifier, are sold through more than 700 retail and mail order houses nationwide. Shares of the publically-held company are traded over the counter.

CONTACT: Your Marketing Department, Coral Springs, Fla.
Dennis Radice, 305/345-8700

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Prime Financial Partners LP (AMEX:PFP), a financial services company which offers employee benefit plans to small corporations, ''which in the January-October period witnessed a 2.3 times increase in benefit trust contributions, expects an outstanding year, since 80 percent of the revenues are traditionally generated in the last two months of the year,'' Jerry P. Franks, president, told analysts at a meeting in New York Wednesday.

''Losses for the third quarter and nine months were as anticipated due to the extensive marketing activity and were increased by one time charges, further improving the ongoing outlook of the company,'' he said.

Franks said that ''as previously announced, the company intends to tender an exchange offer, at a date yet to be announced, of Class A units for the 341,000 preferred units, but at a rate no greater than 4-to-1.''

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had revenues of $486,207 compared with $442,249 for the same period last year.

Prime had a net loss of $701,171 including $191,000 of non-recurring expense, or 9 cents per Class A unit, for the quarter against a loss of $568,393, or 17 cents per Class A unit, in the same three month period last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Prime had revenues of $1,686,272 compared to $1,262,127 for the first nine months of 1990. The company had a net loss of $1,306,175, or 23 cents per Class A unit, for the first nine

months against a net loss of $1,423,534, or 44 cents per Class A unit, for the same period last year.

The Prime Trust is an employee benefit plan that provides death and severance benefits to employees funded on a tax deductible basis to the corporate employer. Additional benefits of the plan include protection of assets from creditors, flexible funding options, liquidity, estate tax-free benefits and the security of guaranteed values by the various insurance organizations offering the program.

Prime Financial Partners L.P.
Financial Highlights
(unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Revenues	$ 1,686,272	$ 1,262,127
Net income (loss)	$ (1,306,175)	$ (1,423,534)
Net income (loss) per unit	$ (.23)	$ (.44)
Average units outstanding	6,657,113	3,805,892

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Daniel A. Norman, 212/269-2323 (in New York)
or
William Stalnaker, 602/941-4141

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MARKHAM, Ontario (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - SSMC Inc. Wednesday announced results for its third quarter ending Sept. 30.

Revenues for the quarter were US $158.4 million and income from continuing operations US $33.7 million. This compares with revenues of US $143.4 million and income of US $22.5 million for the same quarter last year.

For the nine month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were US $453.8 million and income from continuing operations was US $50.6 million. This compares with revenues of US $421.4 million and income of US $3.9 million in the previous year. Included in the income from continuing operations is a gain of $22.7 million from the sale of 30 percent of Singer Taiwan.

Commenting on the improved results, James Ting, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''The results, both operating income and net income reflect Singer's management continued attention to improving operations and opening new retail outlets around the world. The introduction of new products has also contributed to these results.''

SSMC Inc. is the leading manufacturer of consumer sewing machines worldwide and also distributes industrial sewing machines and consumer durable goods. Its principle executive offices are located in Hong Kong.

The common stock of SSMC Inc. is owned by Semi-Tech (Global) Limited (''Semi-Tech''), a Hong Kong based company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, symbol 448. Semi-Tech (Global) is a subsidiary of International Semi-Tech Microelectronics Inc. whose shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange, trading under symbol ISE.

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SIDNEY, Ohio (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert J. Siewert, president of The Monarch Machine Tool Co. released the following letter to shareholders Wednesday.

''Your Board of Directors has found it necessary to reduce the quarterly dividend from 20 cents to 5 cents per share. This is the first dividend reduction that Monarch shareholders have experienced in nineteen years and we feel that we owe you an explanation.

''Since 1981 your Company has experienced a depressed market and an onslaught of foreign competition. During this period we have been able to earn a profit each year, but this profit was not sufficient to cover the dividends returned to you. In order to have a viable, growing company which will enhance future shareholder benefits, it is not financially appropriate to continue to pay out more in dividends than is earned.

''We have seen growth in both revenues and earnings over the past two years. The management and the directors of your Company are committed to continuing this trend into the future.

''Our product lines have an excellent reputation and our products can compete. However, it is imperative that, if Monarch is to remain a strong, viable and growing company, we must continue to invest in product development and provide our employees with the most efficient equipment to produce these products.

''With the economic uncertainties on the horizon, we believe it prudent to take the action to reduce the dividend. We hope that you concur with us and will continue your support as we strengthen and grow.''

CONTACT: The Monarch Machine Tool Co., Sidney Earl Hull, 513/492-4111

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DENVER (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Forest Oil Corp. reported a third quarter 1990 net loss of $6.1 million before redeemable preferred stock dividend requirements, compared to a net loss of $5.6 million for the comparable period of 1989.

The loss for the third quarter of 1990 was greater than the comparable period of 1989 primarily due to corporate consolidation and restructuring costs of approximately $3 million incurred in 1990 and increased depreciation and depletion expenses partially offset by higher oil and gas sales and lower interest expense.

The net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $66.9 million before redeemable preferred stock dividend requirements, compared to a net loss of $6 million in 1989. The loss for the first nine months of 1990 was greater than the loss for the same period in 1989 despite lower interest expense because in the 1990 period revenue was down due to lower production and the impairment of the book value of the company's estimated oil and gas reserves resulting from the application of SEC regulations.

In addition, 1989 results were affected by a one-time settlement of a take-or-pay gas contract dispute. After making provisions for dividends on the company's redeemable preferred stock, the net loss attributable to common stock for the third quarter of 1990 was $7.5 million, or 77 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $7 million, or 62 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

The net loss attributable to common stock for the first nine months of 1990, after making provision for dividends on the company's redeemable preferred stock, was $71.1 million, or $6.55 per share, compared to a net loss of $10.2 million, or $1 per share, for the comparable nine months of 1989.

Total revenue for the third quarter of 1990 was $20.1 million, a slight increase over the same period of 1989 due primarily to increased production volumes attributable to three new platforms which were put into service in early 1990.

Forest Oil Corp. is engaged in the exploration for and acquisition, development and production of oil and natural gas. The company's principal reserves and producing properties are located offshore Louisiana and in Texas, Wyoming, Oklahoma and Alberta, Canada. The company is traded on the NASDAQ/NMS system, under the FOIL symbol.

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Leslie D. Young, 303/592-2403

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Pursuant to a resolution of the board of directors of Global Utility Fund Inc., a regular quarterly dividend on shares of common stock of this corporation has been declared as follows:

Declaration date	Nov. 13, 1990
Ex-dividend	Dec. 10, 1990
Record date	Dec. 14, 1990
Payment/reinvestment date	Dec. 31, 1990

Amount of dividend	$.135
regular quarterly ordinary income	$.08
special ordinary income	$.08
short-term capital gain	

Such dividend is to be paid in cash, except in the case of shareholders who have elected to participate in the dividend reinvestment plan.

CONTACT: Prudential Mutual Fund Management, New York
212/214-3332

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CHICAGO (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Arthur M. Goldberg, interim chief executive officer of Bally Manufacturing Corp. (NYSE:BLY), announced Wednesday that results of operations before unusual and extraordinary items for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were a loss of $6,530,000 compared to income of $4,697,000 for the third quarter of 1989 (loss per share of 30 cents in 1990 and income per share of 10 cents in 1989).

Revenues increased to $531,252,000 from $530,439,000 in the prior year.

Goldberg noted that ''Lower operating results were reported by each of our three business segments. The casino group reported lower revenues and operating income due to increased capacity in both the Atlantic City and Nevada markets, and a weakening economy in the Northeastern United States.

''The fitness center group reported a 7 percent increase in revenues, but lower operating income due to increases in expenses, including bad debts. The products and services group reported a 20 percent increase in revenues, but lower operating income due to losses in the gaming equipment and systems business.''

Goldberg further noted, ''The results for the third quarter 1990 were also negatively impacted by unusual items totaling $78.1 million, net of tax, or $2.72 per share.

''Unusual items, net of tax, consisted of a $69.0 million write-off of Bally's Grand Inc. intangible assets associated with our decision not to make the scheduled Oct. 15, 1990, interest payment of $18.4 million, and other charges of $9.1 million related to litigation, the write-down of an investment and other items.

''In the third quarter 1989, an extraordinary loss was reported related to the early retirement of debt associated with a refinancing.''

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $1,636,093,000, compared to $1,565,942,000 in 1989. Income before unusual and extraordinary items was $6,911,000 in 1990 vs. $12,584,000 in 1989, with earnings per share of 3 cents and 24 cents, respectively.

As previously discussed, unusual items in 1990 were $78.1 million with 1989 unusual items, net of tax, consisting of a $33.9 million gain on the sale of Aladdin's Castle and charges of $8.4 million. The extraordinary items consisted of a gain in 1990 and a loss in 1989 on the early retirement of debt.

Bally Manufacturing Corp. is a world leader in the gaming and fitness industries with four casino hotels, a nationwide network of fitness centers and a complete line of gaming equipment and systems, fitness products, and lottery products and services.

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Janie Lewis, 312/399-1300

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BURLINGTON, MA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - M/A-COM Inc. (NYSE:MAI) reported income for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 of $4,825,000 or $0.19 cents per share compared with a loss from continuing operations of $4,693,000 or $0.19 per share for the comparable period in fiscal 1989.

For the fiscal year ended Sept. 29, 1990, M/A-COM reported a net loss of $105,410,000 or $4.32 per share compared with net income of $178,000 or $0.01 per share for the prior fiscal year. 1990 fiscal year losses reflect first quarter 1990 restructuring charges and provisions for contract losses of approximately $43,500,000 or $1.78 per share, as well as a first quarter 1990 loss from discontinued operations of $73,890,000 or $3.03 per share.

Sales in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 from continuing operations were $97,345,000 compared to $91,594,000 in the prior year comparable period, an increase of 6 percent. Sales from continuing operations for the year were $374,719,000 compared with $287,055,000 in fiscal 1989. Orders for fiscal 1990 amounted to $339,652,000 compared to $316,752,000 in the prior year.

The increase in both sales and orders during fiscal 1990 results from the acquisition of Adams-Russell Inc. in July 1989. Orders for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were $82,397,000 compared to $117,850,000 in the comparable period of the prior year. Backlog at Sept. 29, 1990 was $263,733,000.

Vanderslice also reported that the company's divestiture program made solid progress during fiscal 1990. Of the businesses identified during the first quarter for divestiture, three sales have closed and most of the remaining businesses are in various stages of active negotiation with corporations that have strong strategic interests in the businesses.

M/A-COM Inc. is a leading producer of radio frequency, microwave and millimeter wave semiconductors, components and subsystems for applications in telecommunications, radar, navigation and defense systems including missile guidance and electronic warfare. M/A-COM also supplies equipment used in electronic surveillance. The company's products are used primarily in defense electronics systems, but also have numerous commercial applications.

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Victoria B. Dillon, 617/221-5515

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ELMSFORD, NY (NOV. 14)BUSINESS WIRE - AFP Imaging Corp. (NASDAQ:AFPC) Wednesday reported its results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30.

The company reported net sales of $8,703,859 for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, compared to $10,030,963 for the first quarter, of fiscal 1990, a decrease of 13 percent. The company recorded a net loss of $708,115 or (15 cents) per share compared to a net loss of $538,535 or (12 cents) per share in the comparable quarter last year.

The loss for the first quarter was a direct result of the sudden and unexpected drop in sales. This unprecedented decline can be attributed to the domestic economic situation and in reaction to the political events in the Middle East during August 1990 which have added uncertainty to the U.S. economy.

Many buyers of our capital equipment have become cautious and have chosen to delay or cancel delivery of their orders. Retail advertising placed in newspapers and other four color formats is insufficient to warrant additional printing plant expansions at this time.

Management has stabilized the situation and can operate at these lower revenue levels by continuing the significant restructuring program to reduce personnel and all nonessential costs. Expenses were reduced by $735,000 or 18.5 percent from the comparable quarter last year and this is an additional decline of

$258,000 or a 7 percent decrease as compared to the June 30th quarter.

AFP Imaging designs, manufactures and markets equipment and systems to hospitals, radiologists, cardiologists, dentists and other medical specialists used to generate, record, process and view hard copy diagnostic images under the AFP and DENT-X trademarks. The company also provides a broad line of pre-press image making equipment to the international printing and graphic arts industry under the LOGETRONICS, FOROX and KENRO brands. AFP products are distributed worldwide by three different dealer networks.

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David Vozick, 914/592-6100

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RALEIGH, NC (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Sherwood H. Smith Jr., chairman and president of Carolina Power & Light (NYSE: CPL), was elected president of the Association of Edison Illuminating Cos. (AEIC), at the association's annual meeting Nov. 10.

Smith succeeds Howard P. Allen, president and chairman of Southern California Edison Co.

More than 85 electric utilities nationwide are active members of AEIC. The objective of the association is the advancement of electric service to the public for light, heat and power.

CONTACT: Carolina Power & Light Co., Raleigh
David McNeill or Wayne Ennis, 919/546-6189

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ROCHESTER, NH (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Cabletron Systems Inc. (NYSE:CS) Wednesday announced that it had filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a public offering of 3,500,000 shares of common stock.

Of the shares covered by the registration statement, 1,250,000 shares are to be offered by the company and 2,250,000 are to be offered by selling stockholders.

The company and the selling stockholders have granted the underwriters options to purchase up to an additional 525,000 shares to cover over-allotments.

Merill Lynch & Co., The First Boston Corp., and Tucker Anthony Inc. are co-managers for the offering of 2,800,000 shares in the United States. Merill

Lynch International Ltd., Credit Suisse First Boston Ltd. and Tucker Anthony Inc. are co-managers for the offering of 700,000 shares outside the United States.

Cabletron develops, manufactures, markets, installs and supports a wide range of standards-based local area network (LAN) connectivity products. The company's broad product line includes intelligent wiring hubs and related products, other network interconnection equipment, network management software high-speed adapter cards, test equipment, and the four commonly used LAN transmission media.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This announcement shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

Written prospectuses may be obtained from Merrill Lynch & Co., World Financial Center, North Tower, New York, NY 10281, Attention: Preliminary Propectus Department (212-449-8415); The First Boston Corp., Two World Trade Center, New York, NY 10055 (212-322-1633); and Tucker Anthony Inc., One Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02108, Attention: Syndicate (617/725-2008).

CONTACT: Cabletron Systems Inc., Rochester
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Darren Orzechowski, 603/332-9400, ext. 282

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BILLERICA, Mass. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Davox Corp. (OTC/NMS:DAVX) Wednesday announced revised third quarter revenues of $9.1 million and a net loss of $54,000 for the period ending Sept. 30, 1990.

These figures, as stated in its quarterly report filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form 10Q, compare to revenue of $9 million for the second quarter of 1990 and $8.8 million for the comparable period of 1989.

Net loss for the period compares to net losses of $640,000 and $332,000, respectively, in the preceding and year-earlier quarters. Net loss per share was one cent for the 1990 third quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990, revenue was $28.1 million, 9 percent higher than the $25.7 million reported for the same period last year. Net loss for

the nine months of 1990 was $646,000 compared to a net loss of $2,221,000 for the nine months of 1989. Net loss per share was 12 cents vs. a net loss per share of 43 cents for the first nine months of last year.

Davox develops, produces and markets computer aided communications systems, which include predictive dialing, interactive voice response and multifunction workstation systems. These products automate and integrate telephone and data communications functions to increase productivity in applications such as collections, telemarketing and customer service.

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (NOV. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Amerishare Investors Inc., a Jacksonville, Fla., insurance agency, announced that A.L. Williams Marketing Corp., a marketing and sales unit of Primerica, has settled its lawsuit with Investors Life Insurance Co. of Nebraska.

All claims have been dropped against Investors Life, the underwriter for Amerishare Investors.

Amerishare's President, Randy Stelk, said, ''We are pleased that A.L. Williams Corp. and MILICO have ended the case against Investors Life Insurance Co. of Nebraska and have relinquished all claims. We agree with this action because such cases are best settled in the market place instead of in the courts.''

Amerishare Investors is a three-year-old life insurance agency with offices in 47 states and over 8,000 agents nationwide. This year it expects to pass the $4 billion mark in face value of policies written.

Amerishare is currently one of the top 100 companies in the United States and concentrates on the sale of term life insurance and mutual funds.

CONTACT: Robinson & St. John, Jacksonville
Amy Rankin, 904/281-2500.

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OAKLAND, NJ (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Diagnostic/Retrieval Systems Inc. (ASE: DRS.A, DRS.B) Wednesday reported a net loss for the second quarter ended Sept. 30.

The net loss for the three-month period amounted to $3,550,000, or 66 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $6,366,000, or $1.13 per share, for last year's second quarter. Revenues rose to $12,599,000, an increase of 4

percent over revenues of $12,120,000 for the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, the company recorded a net loss of $3,409,000, or 62 cents per share, as compared with a net loss of $6,072,000, or $1.08 per share, for the same period in the previous year. Revenues for the first half of the fiscal year were $23,218,000, down 10 percent from revenues of $25,909,000 for the first two quarters of fiscal 1990.

Contract backlog at Sept. 30, stood at approximately $39 million, compared with backlog of approximately $42 million at March 31, the company's fiscal year end.

The increase in revenues during the second quarter primarily was due to shipments relating to the company's recording system product line.

The net loss for the three-month period was principally due to the recording of a loss provision amounting to $4.2 million for unabsorbed overhead and general and administrative expenses, as well as estimated contract losses arising from higher overhead and general and administrative expenses not recoverable under existing fixed-price contracts.

Although the company implemented an internal restructuring program to reduce its staff and facilities, it has continued to maintain the capability to manufacture and support Advanced Video Processors (AVP) and other products in anticipation of production contract awards. The charge was recorded primarily because the company does not expect to fully utilize this capability in fiscal 1991, due to delays in the receipt of contract awards.

The AVP program was awarded to DRS in 1987. For this program, the company is developing advanced display workstations for U.S. Navy surface ships engaged in antisubmarine warfare.

Diagnostic/Retrieval Systems Inc. designs and manufactures special-purpose computer and display systems, as well as recording, trainer and optical systems for military and industrial applications.

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Patricia M. Williamson, 201/337-3800.

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WEST COLUMBIA, S.C. (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert K. King, president of Wells American Corp. (ASE: WAC), Wednesday announced the company's second quarter results for fiscal 1991.

Sales for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $42,350, compared to $2,298,880 for the like period in fiscal 1990. The company incurred a net

loss $343,770, or 7 cents per share for the second quarter as compared to a net loss of $1,170,870, or 23 cents per share for the comparable period in 1990.

King indicated that the decrease in sales was attributable to the continued suspension of production which began in January 1990. He indicated that second quarter loss also included one time start-up marketing costs associated with the company's new MegaMac product line and write-downs of approximately $81,000 related to company's decision to sell certain unused or surplus property as a means of raising capital.

King stated that the board of directors of Wells American is of the opinion that the company's cash and capital resources together with cash flow from operations are not sufficient to finance long-term continued operations unless revenues are restored to a level which prevents further significant operating losses. He indicated that the company has ''reduced personnel and work hours to their minimum levels and is continuing to provide technical assistance and warranty and non-warranty repair and spare parts service to its customers.''

Concurrent with this activity, King said the board is exploring sources of outside capital. The company is also attempting to identify and negotiate with individuals or entities who may have an interest in acquiring or merging with the company,. In the event these initiatives are unsuccessful, the company may find it necessary to file for bankruptcy reorganization or liquidation.

Should adequate funding be acquired, King stated that the company intends to commence manufacturing of its new product, the MegaMac, which is designed to increase the productivity of Apple Macintosh computers for business users. The company believes production of the MegaMac could begin within 30 days after adequate capitlization is acquired.

Wells American's common securities are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol ''WAC.'' For further information on Wells American and its products, contact Robert K. King, president, at the company's corporate headquarters. The address is 3243 Sunset Blvd., West Columbia, S.C. 29169. Phone is 803/739-1829.

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Robert K. (Ken) King, 803/739-1829.

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CINCINATTI (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Manhattan National Corp. (NYSE:MLC) Wednesday announced third quarter and year-to-date 1990 financial results for the Cincinatti-based holding company.

Manhattan National Corp. financial results for the third quarter and nine months of 1990, were significantly better than the same periods a year earlier. Third quarter 1990 net income was $442,000, or 7 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $2,115,000, or 25 cents per share, in the same period a year ago. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $1,124,000, or 17 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $1,444,000, or 17 cents per share, reported for the same period last year.

Third quarter results included a charge of $798,000 ($527,000 after tax) for contingencies resulting from the sale of Manhattan National Life Insurance Co. earlier this year and the closing of a Manhattan National Pension Services Inc. satellite office in Long Beach, Calif.

Shareholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990 was $62,633,000, equivalent to $9.92 per share outstanding. At Sept. 30, 1990, the company had 6,315,260 common shares issued and outstanding.

The company did not repurchase any of its common stock during the third quarter. The company has repurchased 415,800 shares for $2,241,135 or an average of $5.39 per share, since its $5.0 million share repurchase program was adopted in August 1987.

Commenting on financial results, Larry R. Pike, chairman and CEO stated, ''The company's financial results continue to show solid improvement reflecting the positive impact of efforts undertaken to 'rightsize' the company and reduce expenses.

''Net income rose from a 17 cents per share loss in the first nine months of 1989 to 17 cents per share income for the same period of 1990. We are especially pleased with the results of Manhattan Life Insurance Co. whose net income increased $429,000, or 43.2 percent for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to the same period in 1989.

Regarding other corporate matters, Pike said, ''The agreement with the New York Insurance Department announced last week regarding the accrual of interest on the Manhattan Life Insurance Co. Guarantee Capital Reserve will result in a fourth quarter 1990 charge of $792,000, or $.125 per share.''

Manhattan National Corp. is a holding company with major subsidiaries in life insurance, investment services and pension administration.

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James J. Breen, 513/595-2289
or David F. Westerbeck, 513/595-2325.

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WOBURN, MA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - First Woburn Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: WOBS) Wednesday reported a net loss of $3,389,000 or $1.06 per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to a net income of $46,000 or 1 cent per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

First Woburn's non-performing loans at Sept. 30, 1990 totalled $21,717,000 or 11.3 percent of loans outstanding. The company's total real estate owned or substantially repossessed was $24,161,000 at Sept. 30, 1990. At the end of the first quarter, First Woburn's reserve for possible loan losses was $4,094,000.

According to Frank J. Porcaro, president and chief executive officer of First Woburn, operating results for the first quarter are attributable to a charge-off relating to a real estate joint venture of $1.8 million and lower net interest income of $693,000. The company also sustained a loss on real estate owned of $417,000, an increase in asset collection and disposition costs of $263,000 and an increase in the provision for possible loan losses of $201,000.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were $282,600,000 compared to $313,836,000 at Sept. 30, 1989. Stockholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990 was $8,963,000, equivalent to $2.80 per share or 3.17 percent of assets.

First Woburn Bancorp is the holding company for Woburn Five Cents Savings Bank. Established in 1854, Woburn Five conducts operations through five full-service banking offices located in Middlesex County, Mass.

CONTACT: First Woburn Bancorp., Woburn
Margaret A. Murphy, 617/933-0040

-30- 1735
#90318b0940 11/14/1990 ~Business Wire

MANCHESTER, NH (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Davis P. Thurber, chairman, Bank of New Hampshire Corp., announced that the company's board of directors have voted a quarterly dividend of five cents per share, as compared to the previous quarterly dividend of thirteen center per share.

Commenting on the eight cent per share reduction from the previous quarter, Thurber stated that ''Given the continued general softness in the local and regional economy and other considerations, the board of directors deemed this a realistic and prudent course of action at this time, and it will continue to assess, on a quarterly basis, the advisability and level of future declarations.''

He also noted that the company's capital position remains strong and, in fact, as of Sept. 30, 1990 the company's primary capital ratio stood at 7.80 percent -- well in excess of the current regulatory requirement of 5.5 percent.

The dividend will be paid Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 12 1990.

Bank of New Hampshire Corp., headquartered in Manchester, is a five-bank holding company. The offices of the affiliates total 28, in 16 different communities throughout the southern, central, coastal and lakes regions of the state.

CONTACT: Bank of New Hampshire Corp., Manchester
Paul R. Shea, 603/624-6600, ext. 3667
Gregory D. Landroche, 603/624-6600, ext. 2755

-30- 1558
#90318b0942 11/14/1990 ~Business Wire

HERNDON, VA (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Anthony L. Craig, president and chief executive officer of this metropolitan Washington, D.C.-based systems integrator, Wednesday announced the results of operations for the second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30.

Second quarter revenue increased 63 percent to $20.4 million in the September 1990 quarter from $12.5 million in the September 1989 quarter. This increase was the result of substantially increased shipments of ruggedized, custom workstation systems under the company's contract with the U.S. Marine Corps and shipments under its contract with the Navy for Desktop tactical computers.

The substantial increase in systems revenue of $9.7 million (125 percent) was somewhat offset by a $1.8 million decline in maintenance services revenue. For the first six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenue has increased 101 percent to $44.4 million from $22.1 million for the comparable period in 1989.

The company incurred operating losses for the three and six month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $1.7 and $1.9 million compared with operating losses of $3.1 and $6.9 million in the same periods in 1989. This represents a decline in operating losses of 44 percent and 72 percent for the three and six month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively.

The operating results continued to be affected despite the growth in revenues because of continuing losses in the company's maintentance services segment.

Craig said, ''We have completed a thorough review of our customer service organization resulting in further downsizing of our maintenance operations to match our current and anticipated volumes. Our next step to improve operating results will be in the identification of new maintenance opportunities.''

The company's net income for the quarter and first six months of $22 and $19.3

million, respectively, reflects an extraordinary gain of $23.1 million posted in the second quarter as a result of the company's completion of the previously announced financial recapitalization.

Fred Knoll, the company's chairman stated, ''The year-to-date operating results reflecting the strong revenue growth and decline in operating losses, coupled with a record firm order backlog of $54.8 million, positions the company for future success.''

CONTACT: C3 Inc., Herndon
Terrence P. Ford, 703/471-6000

-30- 2554
#90318b0945 11/14/1990 ~Business Wire

LONDON (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - British Gas plc (NYSE:BRG) announced Wednesday that it has received approval from Investment Canada for its proposed offer for all the common shares of The Consumers' Gas Company Ltd of Toronto.

Investment Canada approval is conditional on British Gas's acceptance of the undertakings given to the Government of Ontario. British Gas has accepted those conditions.

British Gas has also agreed to an Investment Canada requirement that, as soon as possible but in any event within three years, Consumers' Gas dispose of oil and gas assets held as part of its Telesis Oil and Gas division, excluding those which the Ontario Energy Board designates as gas storage. This is consistent with federal government policy restricting foreign acquisition of Canadian owned upstream oil and gas assets.

''The Investment Canada approval supports our view that the association between British Gas and Consumers' Gas will provide real benefits to Canada,'' said George Langshaw, Managing Director, Global Gas for British Gas. ''The approval means we can now proceed with our offer as soon as possible.''

British Gas plans to make its offer for all the shares of Consumers' Gas on or before November 28.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers.

British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore. Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International

Consultancy Service.

American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to ten ordinary shares.

CONTACT: Gavin Anderson Doremus & Co., New York
Fred Fajardo, 212/921-1060
or
British Gas plc, London
Dr. Alan Curran, 011-4471-821-1444

-30- 2345

#90318b0952 11/14/1990 ~Business Wire

LOUISVILLE, KY (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - ICH Corp. (ASE:ICH) Wednesday announced earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net earnings applicable to common stock were $6,167,000, or 13 cents per share on revenues of $468,568,000. This compares to a loss of ($100,649,000), or ($2.09) per share, on revenues of $420,528,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The 1989 results include a net after-tax loss of ($99,000,000) related to the sale of subsidiaries.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net earnings were $16,647,000, or 35 cents per share, on revenues of $1,425,991,000. This compares to a loss of ($111,786,000), or ($2.30) per share, on revenues of $1,309,684,000 in the nine months of 1989.

''We are very pleased with improvements in operating results and continued progress in our restructuring efforts,'' said John Franco, chief executive officer of ICH. Health claims experience did begin to improve in the quarter, as previously anticipated. In addition, individual life mortality claims experience improved markedly and accumulation product spreads remained stable.

Third quarter earnings included the effects of a one-time charge related to the final purchase price adjustments of the March 30, 1990 sale of certain subsidiaries to HMS Insurance Holdings Inc. This charge approximated 11 cents per share.

Common equity increased in the quarter by $11,411,000, or 24 cents per share, as a result of reported earnings and significant unrealized gains, bringing book value to $2.57 per share.

Although accounting for its 20 percent investment in First Executive Corp. (FEXC) on the equity method, at Dec. 31, 1989, the company reduced its carrying value below its adjusted equity basis to more accurately reflect management's assessment of the realizable value of this investment.

Since circumstances at FEXC have not changed during the first nine months of 1990, the company offset its equity in FEXC's reported gain (totaling $713,000 and $7,690,000, for the quarter and nine months, respectively) through corresponding permanent writedowns of its investment in FEXC. Accordingly, FEXC again had no effect on ICH's 1990 third quarter or nine months reported earnings.

CONTACT: I.C.H. Corp., Louisville
Michael E. Conley, 502/894-2100

-30- 2476

#90318c0002 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cincinnati Microwave Inc.(TICKER: CNMW).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$15,528,000	$13,040,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,305,000)	$(974,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.13)	$(0.09)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,259,000	10,407,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$50,166,000	$51,603,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$33,545,000	$37,479,000

-30- 1067

#90318c0003 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Evansville Federal Savings Bank.(TICKER: EVSB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$41,560	$58,299
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.09	$0.12
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	471,555	468,625

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$94,143,379	$92,967,870
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,312,344	$5,241,642

-30- 1003

#90318c0004 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Occupational Medical Corp. of America. (TICKER: OMCA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,294,005	$1,431,133
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$26,540	$271,609
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.11
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,841,711	$4,985,726
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,604,998	$3,578,458

-30- 1062

#90318c0005 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Enscor Inc.(TICKER: ENCR). All amounts are expressed in Canadian dollars.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$16,879,000	$1,057,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(7,163,000)	$(77,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.66)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$103,509,000	$109,504,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$21,032,000	$27,389,000

-30- 1072

#90318c0006 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Identix Inc.(TICKER: IDXX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$362,000	$276,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(584,000)	$(706,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,716,915	9,472,845

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,986,000	$2,552,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$617,000	$1,201,000

-30- 1041

#90318c0007 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Grant-Norpac Inc.(TICKER: GRNT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,913,000	$14,155,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(515,000)	$(2,783,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$0.40)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,152,884	7,011,718

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$111,276,000	$67,820,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$51,740,000	$9,107,000

-30- 1046
#90318c0009 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by DTI Medical Corp.(TICKER: DTIM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$500,389	$210,362
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(85,040)	$(249,884)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,971,648	7,846,839

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,368,927	$3,694,897
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,802,765	$2,268,167

-30- 1035

#90318c0010 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pacesetter Homes Inc.(TICKER: PACE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$11,098,000	$27,586,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,810,000)	$2,692,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.20)	$1.75
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,508,000	1,542,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$126,427,000	$120,308,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,521,000	$13,688,000

-30- 1078

#90318c0011 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cobb Resources Corp.(TICKER: COBB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$594,000	$569,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$51,000	$(112,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,715,449	6,707,688

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,720,000	$4,607,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,406,000	$3,355,000

-30- 1061

#90318c0012 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Geotel Inc.(TICKER: GETE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,978,247	$1,242,863
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(134,780)	$(485,766)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.13)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,726,568	3,726,568

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,215,150	$4,446,106
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,404,213	$1,752,471

-30- 1051

#90318c0013 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Striker Petroleum Corp.(TICKER: STRP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$218,000	$375,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,590,000)	$(80,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.80)	$(0.02)

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,468,000	4,468,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,078,000	$8,256,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,291,000	$5,042,000

-30- 1072

#90318c0014 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Hallwood Energy Corp.(TICKER: HWEC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,994,000	$1,946,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$189,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$556,000	$(42,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.43	$(0.39)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,154,000	635,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$26,451,000	$43,865,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$17,279,000	$17,417,000

-30- 1075

#90318c0015 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Yes Clothing Co.(TICKER: YSCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,676,000	$10,634,000

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(360,000)	$576,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$0.18
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,821,470	3,176,470

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,672,000	$12,770,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,598,000	$4,598,000

The company's executive office is located at 1360 East 17th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90232 and its telephone number is (213) 765-7800.

-30- 1206

#90318c0017 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sundowner Offshore Services Inc.(TICKER: SOSI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,480,199	$2,528,180
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$150,446	$476,365
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	N/A
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,086,000	N/A

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,345,845	$7,469,842
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,099,572	$2.635.321

On July 9, 1990, the company completed and closed the initial public offering of 1.30 million shares of its common stock. Sundowner is engaged in the

servicing of offshore wells operated by major oil and gas companies in the Gulf of Mexico.

Sundowner's executive office is located at 2707 North Loop West, Suite 510, Houston, Texas 77008 and its telephone number is (713) 868-1294.

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#90318c0018 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 29, 1990, Steven Weinstein resigned as an officer and director of Legend Foods Inc.(TICKER: LGFD).

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#90318c0019 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 8 1990, Balfour Maclaine Corp.(TICKER: BML) announced it is preparing a restructuring plan in connection with refocusing the company's core commodity businesses.

The plan will include proposals for the sale or other disposition of several affiliates, including Balfour MacLaine Futures Inc. and its interest in American Vision Centers Inc.(TICKER: AMVC).

American Vision Centers, which filed this 8-K report, notes that since acquiring its initial stake in American Vision, Balfour has been American Vision's principal source of funding through additional equity purchases, term loans and advances.

Balfour presently holds a 74% interest in American Vision Centers.

Balfour also announced it expects to report an approximate $7 million loss on operations for the third quarter and additional losses on certain businesses which have been or are proposed to be discontinued under the restructuring plan.

-30- 1145

#90318c0020 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - Health and Rehabilitation Properties Trust filed a registration statement with the SEC relating to 2 million shares of the company's common stock to be offered by American Medical Services Inc.

Health and Rehabilitation Properties Trust will not receive any cash proceeds from this offering.

Donaldson Lufkin & Jenrette are underwriting the offering.

Health and Rehabilitation Properties Trust is a real estate investment trust which invests in income producing health care related real estate.

-30- 703

#90318c0021 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Drexler Technology Corp.(TICKER: DRXR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$581,000	$391,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,223,000)	$(1,772,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.18)	$(0.26)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,911,000	6,984,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,358,000	$11,701,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,119,000	$8,997,000

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#90318c0022 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cache Inc.(TICKER: CACH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 29,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,297,000	$8,499,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$72,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,462,000)	$211,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$0.01

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 29, 1990	Dec. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,659,000	$10,773,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,815,000	$5,409,000

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#90318c0023 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Patlex Corp.(TICKER: PTLX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,667,000	$1,833,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$359,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$594,000	$1,015,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$0.15
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,097,000	6,689,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$20,821,000	$23,085,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,639,000	$17,056,000

-30- 1061

#90318c0025 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY HEXAGON PARTNERS LP OWNS 405,700 SHARES (5.80%) OF HEXCEL CORP. (TICKER: HXL) OF DUBLIN, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 6, 1990, 344,000 shares were contributed to Hexagon valued at $8.50 per share in exchange for partnership interests in Hexagon.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90318c0026 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND CO. OF DECATUR, ILLINOIS OWNS 826,500 CLASS A SHARES (15.51%) OF AMERICAN FRUCTOSE CORP (TICKER: AFC) OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Archer-Daniels-Midland Co. purchased 243,200 shares from Aug. 20 to Nov. 2, 1990 for $19.75 to $21.38 per share.

-30- 509
#90318c0027 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

G. WEISZ OWNS 1,250,000 SHARES (16.80%) OF MICHAEL ANTHONY JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: MAJL) OF MOUNT VERNON, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 27, 1990, the G. Weisz exercised options to acquired 435,000 shares for $1,740,000. On Oct. 31, 1990, G. Weisz acquired 65,000 shares pursuant to a put option for $264,804 and an additional 125,000 shares from other put options for $504,720. G. Weisz has also been awarded 625,000 shares by the company as compensation for services rendered under an employment agreement dated June 28, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment and as compensation pursuant to an employment agreement.

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#90318c0028 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

I. NUSSEN OWNS 1,250,000 SHARES (16.80%) OF MICHAEL ANTHONY JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: MAJL) OF MOUNT VERNON, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 27, 1990, I. Nussen exercised options to acquired 435,000 shares for $1,740,000. On Oct. 31, 1990, I. Nussen acquired 65,000 shares pursuant to a put option for $264,804 and an additional 125,000 shares from other put options for $504,720. I. Nussen has also been awarded 625,000 shares by the company as compensation for services rendered under an employment agreement dated June 28, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment and as compensation pursuant to an employment agreement.

-30- 840
#90318c0029 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY W.M. GRIFFIN OF HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT OWNS 258,000 SHARES (4.80%) OF EXCEL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: XCEL) OF QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

W.M. Griffin sold 85,000 shares from Sept. 27 to Oct. 30, 1990 for $2.50 to $3.50 per share.

-30- 460
#90318c0030 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.R. KENDELL OF 1205 EAST 6600 SOUTH, OGDEN, UT 84405, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,500 SHARES OF WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC.(TICKER: WSFG) THROUGH COVEY & CO. INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC. TEL: 801 621-7414)

-30- 425
#90318c0031 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ZURES FAMILY TRUST OF 12520 HIGH BLUFF DR #250, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 92130, HAS FILED TO SELL 170,000 SHARES OF GOLDEN STATE CAP CORP. THROUGH RAF FINANCIAL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(GOLDEN STATE CAP CORP. TEL: 619 259-0100)

-30- 439
#90318c0033 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.L. HILLMAN OF 25881 PECOS RD, LAGUNA HILLS, CALIFORNIA 92653, HAS FILED TO SELL 83,250 SHARES OF CCC CODED COMMUNICATIONS CORP.(TICKER: CCCCF) THROUGH SAN DIEGO SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(CCC CODED COMMUNICATIONS CORP. TEL: 619 431-0077)

-30- 453
#90318c0034 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.D. TOBIA OF 1007 BRAINARD PL, BRIELLE, NEW JERSEY 08730, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000,000 SHARES OF YARDLEY VENTURES INC. THROUGH INVESTACORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(YARDLEY VENTURES INC. TEL: 201 899-1111)

-30- 406
#90318c0035 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P. TOBIA OF 10 MANVILLE BLVD, BRIDGEWATER, NEW JERSEY 08805, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000,000 SHARES OF YARDLEY VENTURES INC. THROUGH INVESTACORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(YARDLEY VENTURES INC. TEL: 201 899-1111)

-30- 408
#90318c0036 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. LAMORTE OF 34 CAMPBELL RD, FAIRFIELD, NEW JERSEY 07006, HAS FILED TO SELL 875,000 SHARES OF YARDLEY VENTURES INC. THROUGH INVESTACORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(YARDLEY VENTURES INC. TEL: 201 899-1111)

-30- 404
#90318c0037 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. AKUS OF 11 KENSINGTON DR, HOWELL, NEW JERSEY 07731, HAS FILED TO SELL 975,000 SHARES OF YARDLEY VENTURES INC. THROUGH INVESTACORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(YARDLEY VENTURES INC. TEL: 201 899-1111)

-30- 395
#90318c0038 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.D. TOBIA OF 1007 BRAINARD PL, BRIELLE, NEW JERSEY 08730, HAS FILED TO SELL 650,000 SHARES OF YARDLEY VENTURES INC. THROUGH INVESTACORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 5, 1990.

(YARDLEY VENTURES INC. TEL: 201 899-1111)

-30- 404
#90318c0039 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P. TOBIA OF 10 MANVILLE BLVD, BRIDGEWATER, NEW JERSEY 08805, HAS FILED TO SELL 650,000 SHARES OF YARDLEY VENTURES INC. THROUGH INVESTACORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 5, 1990.

(YARDLEY VENTURES INC. TEL: 201 899-1111)

-30- 404
#90318c0041 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.M. BERNSTEIN OF 1030 TIVERTON AVE #319, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90024, HAS FILED TO SELL 415,000 SHARES OF TENSIODYNE CORP THROUGH GENESIS SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(TENSIODYNE CORP TEL: 213 208-5589)

-30- 410

#90318c0042 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.L.T. ROTH OF 800 PEARL STREET, DENVER, COLORADO 80203, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,529,700 SHARES OF ART CARDS INC. THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 5, 1990.

(ART CARDS INC. TEL: 303 831-9335)

-30- 396
#90318c0043 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A. TINTER OF 5517 S. NEWPORT ST, ENGLEWOOD, COLORADO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000,000 SHARES OF SOURCE VENTURE CAPITAL INC.(TICKER: SVCI) THROUGH PACIFIC SOUTHERN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(SOURCE VENTURE CAPITAL INC. TEL: 303 694-1171)

-30- 449
#90318c0044 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.A. SCHERER OF 9825 XERXES CURVE, BLOOMINGTON, MINNESOTA 55431, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. THROUGH R.J. STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. TEL: 612 941-5093)

-30- 436
#90318c0045 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B. STEINKAMP OF 4912 PAYTON CONNECTICUT, EDINA, MINNESOTA 55435, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. THROUGH R.J. STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGIES CORP. TEL: 612 941-5093)

-30- 436
#90318c0046 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, H.L. CROUSE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN WASTE SVCS

INC. (TICKER: AW), BOUGHT 188,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 188,000.

-30- 350
#90318c0047 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, A. BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H BULK CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BULK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 329
#90318c0049 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, M.S. HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H BULK CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BULK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,000.

-30- 352
#90318c0050 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, J.F. SCARPELLI SR, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90318c0051 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, J.F. SCARPELLI SR, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,236.

-30- 298
#90318c0052 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 22, 1990, K.F. SPIKER, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED CORP. BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,081.

-30- 287
#90318c0053 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c0054 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 1,562 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0055 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0057 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 11, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0058 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0059 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90318c0060 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 156 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90318c0061 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 7,287 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0062 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0063 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0065 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 1,093 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0066 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,314,103.

-30- 327

#90318c0067 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, K.E. GUSS, DIR. OF JUNIATA VALLEY FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,074.

-30- 321
#90318c0068 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 22, 1990, D. COMBS, PRES. OF LINCOLN INTERNATIONAL CORP. BOUGHT 2,603 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,273.

-30- 314
#90318c0069 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, L. SOLOMON, CHAIRMAN OF LASALLE CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: LSLE) BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,000.

-30- 324
#90318c0070 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY T.L. KEMPNER OWNS 4,176,971 SHARES (17.70%) OF ALCIDE CORP. (TICKER: ALCD) OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In addition Loeb Partners Corp. acquired 23,077 shares of common stock for services on Sept. 24, 1990, and received on Oct. 16, 1990, an option covering 63,202 shares of common stock, expiring in 10 years, exercisable at $0.89 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 25 through Oct. 26, 1990, T.L. Kempner purchased 27,000 shares at a price of $1 to $1.03 per share.

-30- 709
#90318c0071 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY T.L. KEMPNER OWNS 500,609 SHARES (32.00%) OF ALCIDE CORP. (TICKER: ALCD) OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In addition Loeb Partners Corp. acquired 23,077 shares of common stock for services on Sept. 24, 1990, and received on Oct. 16, 1990, an option covering 63,202 shares of common stock, expiring in 10 years, exercisable at $0.89 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 25 through Oct. 26, 1990, T.L. Kempner purchased 27,000 shares at a price of $1 to $1.03 per share.

-30- 707
#90318c0073 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

I.W. MORRIS III OWNS 638,303 SHARES (8.60%) OF APCO ARGENTINA INC. (TICKER: APAG) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 10 through Oct. 19, 1990, I.W. Morris purchased 62,914 shares at a price of $7.12 to $7.62 per share.

PURPOSE:

Personal investment.

-30- 479
#90318c0074 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.M. REYNOLDS OWNS 180,200 SHARES (6.20%) OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC.

(TICKER: OSGI).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

W.M. Reynolds received 150,000 shares as a gift and purchased 30,200 shares on an undisclosed dated for an undisclosed consideration.

-30- 452
#90318c0075 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

CAISSE DE DEPOT ET PLACEMENT DU QUEBEC OWNS 11,794,596 SHARES (5.02%) OF PLACER DOME INC (TICKER: PDG) OF VANCOUVER, B.C., CANADA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 11, 1990 through Oct. 16, 1990, Caisse De Depot Et Placement Du Quebec purchased 1,476,600 shares at a price of $16.85 to $21.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 547
#90318c0076 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC OWNS 647,576 SHARES (8.28%) OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC) OF GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 31, 1990, Gabelli Funds Inc., formerly a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Gabelli Group, Inc., was merged into TGGI. Subsequent to the merger on Sept. 18, 1990, TGGI's name was changed to Gabelli Funds Inc.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 21, 1990 through Nov. 9, 1990 Gabelli Funds Inc. purchased 43,000 shares at a price of $39.77 to $44.50 per share and sold 3,500 shares at a price of $41 to $42.75 per share.

-30- 772
#90318c0077 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

P.B. BEDFORD OWNS 1,196,320 SHARES (18.10%) OF AMREP CORP (TICKER: AXR) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 16 through Nov. 9, 1990, P.B. Bedford purchased 126,300 share at a price of $3.38 to $4.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of securities.

-30- 467
#90318c0078 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY MAYBACO CO. OWNS 7,552,775 SHARES (8.80%) OF MNC FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: MNC) OF BALTIMORE, MARYLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 25, 1990, MNC terminated the purchase agreement between it and Mr. Lerner providing for the purchase by Mr. Lerner, and the sale by MNC, of up to 2,000,000 shares of convertible preferred stock. The agreement was terminated pursuant to section 6.01(f) by MNC because MNC believed that its proposed sale of MBNA American Bank, N.A. represented financing on terms materially more favorable to MNC than under the terms of the stock purchase agreement.

PURPOSE:

Termination of stock purchase agreement.

-30- 856
#90318c0079 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 702,585 SHARES (10.72%) OF OUTLET COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: OCOMA) OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Gamco Investors purchased 71,950 shares from Sept. 12 to Nov. 9, 1990 for $9.50 to $16 per share and sold 1,200 shares on Oct. 22, 1990 for $12 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 588
#90318c0081 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L.I. GOLEMBO OWNS 879,020 SHARES (6.70%) OF SEAFOOD FROM ALASKA INC. (TICKER: SEAF) OF STERLING, ALASKA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 31, 1990, Mr. Golembo purchased 300,000 shares of common stock of Seafood From Alaska Inc. from Seafood From Alaska Inc. for an aggregate purchase price of $30,000, using personal funds.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 564
#90318c0082 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

WASTE MANAGEMENT INC OF OAK BROOKS, ILLINOIS OWNS 22,459,535 SHARES (55.20%) OF WHEELABRATOR TECHNOLOGIES INC (TICKER: WTI) OF DANVERS, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 1, 1990, the following individuals listed were appointed to the respective company positions: Phillip B. Rooney, Chairman of the Board; James E. Koenig, VP, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer; Herbert A. Getz, VP, General Counsel and Secretary; Robert Paul, Vice President; Stephen P. Stanczak, Assistant Secretary.

-30- 718
#90318c0083 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY BARKER OFFICE SERVICES INC. OWNS 524,000 SHARES (2.79%) OF MARINE HOLDING CO (TICKER: MDCO) OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 1, 1990, BOS ceased to manage all 183,000 shares of common stock that might then have been deemed owned by Burden & Co. and no longer had the power to direct the voting and disposition and, therefore, could no longer be deemed to own any shares of Marine Holding Co.; BOS no longer is deemed to beneficially own any shares of common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 8 to Sept. 25, 1990, Barker Office Services Inc. purchased 13,800 shares at a price of $7.33 to $7.36 per share and sold 35,000 shares at a price of $8.88 to $9 per share.

-30- 918
#90318c0084 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.J. EBEID OWNS 72,835 SHARES (7.29%) OF CONTINENTAL INC. (TICKER: CRY) OF LIVONIA, MI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 31, 1990, R.J. Ebeid purchased 23,800 shares at a price of $14.80 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 426
#90318c0085 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.M. OSBORNE OWNS 85,000 SHARES (5.30%) OF HORIZON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HFIN) OF BEACHWOOD, OHIO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 30, 1990, R.M. Osborne purchased 85,000 shares at a price of $7.13 to $7.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment to acquire a significant minority interest.

-30- 518
#90318c0086 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

SHUFRO ROSE & EHRMAN OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 703,579 SHARES (18.35%) OF WYNNS INTL INC (TICKER: WN) OF FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 24, 1990 through Nov. 8, 1990, Shufro Rose & Ehrman purchased 2,000 shares at a price of $14.06 per share and sold 7,400 shares at a price of $14 to $15.88 per share.

-30- 538
#90318c0087 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

J.D. KNOX OWNS 650,500 SHARES (15.10%) OF SIXX HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: SIXX) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From April 12 through Oct. 4, 1990, J.D. Knox purchased 143,737 shares at a price of $.51 to $.57 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 454
#90318c0089 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY HEEREMA HOLDING CO. INC. OWNS 4,540,300 SHARES (31.41%) OF H.H. ROBERTSON CO. (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an amended and restated agreement and plan of reorganization dated May 21, 1990, H.H. Robertson and Ceco agreed to merge into The Ceco Corp. To provide necessary financing, Robertson and Ceco entered into a stock purchase agreement dated as of June 8, 1990 with Frontera S.A. pursuant to which Frontera, the manager of funds of Heerema Holding Co. Inc., to cause Mulligan to purchase 4 million shares.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 813
#90318c0090 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY RD HUBBARD OWNS 812,476 SHARES (20.50%) OF HOLLYWOOD PARK ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: HTRF) OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 3, 1990, Hubbard filed an initial 13D announcing his intention to seek representation on the boards of the companies. On Sept. 13, 1990, Hubbard sent a letter to operating company's board requesting that Marjorie Everett, the chairman and CEO of that board, retire as a director and officer of operating company effective at the next annual meeting and be appointed chairwoman

emeritus. Hubbard also proposed that he and his four nominees be elected to the board of the company and that he be elected president and CEO of operating company. On Oct. 19, 1990, Hubbard met with the members of the board but the board took no action. On Oct. 24, 1990, Lodwrick Cook resigned from the board and the company announced that its annual meeting will be held on Jan. 28, 1991 and that the expiration date for submitting shareholder proposals would be Oct. 31, 1990. Also on Oct. 24, Hubbard sent a letter to the board. On Oct. 26, 1990, Hubbard filed a complaint in Delaware against the companies and their directors alleging failure to satisfy fiduciary duties. Hubbard is seeking a declaration that the rights agreement is inapplicable to proxy contests and that the court act to preclude the companies from preventing him from making nominations after Oct. 31, 1990. Hubbard delivered a notice of stockholder proposals. On Nov. 1, Hubbard delivered to the company a stockholder consent in lieu of meeting, which approves and adopts resolutions removing the entire board and electing RD Hubbard to fill the vacancies.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

RD Hubbard purchased 2,300 shares from Sept. 17 to Nov. 1, 1990 for $31.78 to $22.41 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 2052
#90318c0091 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 51,700 SHARES (4.73%) OF NORTHBAY FINANCIAL CORP (TICKER: NBF).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 18 and Nov. 1, 1990, Harris Associates LP sold 8,300 shares at $11.62 to $14 per share.

-30- 444
#90318c0092 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 1,521,690 SHARES (4.95%) OF PREMARK

INTL INC (TICKER: PMI).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 29 and Nov. 2, 1990, Harris Associates LP sold 41,100 shares for $13.26 to $13.76 per share, purchased 3,000 shares for $13.38 per share and had 5,600 transferred out of Harris accounts.

-30- 533
#90318c0093 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 1,599,048 SHARES (17.90%) OF INTERTAN INC (TICKER: ITN) OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 10 and Oct. 31, 1990, Harris Associates LP purchased 223,000 shares and sold 36,300 shares for $17.75 to $21.02 per share. On Oct. 19, 1990 5,000 shares were transferred from Harris accounts.

-30- 554
#90318c0094 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 1,561,655 SHARES (13.17%) OF THE TORO CO. (TICKER: TTC) OF BLOOMINGTON, MINNESOTA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 8 and Oct. 31, 1990, Harris Associates LP sold 39,600 shares and purchased 163,800 shares for $12.71 to $13.38 per share and had 4,300 shares transferred out of Harris accounts.

-30- 539
#90318c0095 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 878,400 SHARES (10.20%) OF EVANS &

SUTHERLAND COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: ESCC) OF SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 4 and Nov. 2, 1990, Harris Associates LP sold 23,700 shares and purchased 104,100 shares for $15.51 to $25.01 per share.

-30- 512
#90318c0097 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 22

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 9, 1990 Recognition Equipment Inc.(TICKER: REC) announced that its board has decided to cancel its proposed self-tender offer and has amended its agreement with the Prospect Equipment Inc. to reflect the cancellation.

-30- 455
#90318c0098 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY MORGAN INVESTMENT CORP. OWNS 2,000,000 SHARES (14.30%) OF MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES INC. (TICKER: MABS) OF SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Morgan Investment will purchase 1 million Monoclonal Antibodies Inc. common shares and a warrant to purchase 1 million additional shares at an exercise price of $4.50 per share pursuant to a Nov. 2, 1990 purchase agreement. The purchase relates to the merger of Quidel Corp. and the Monoclonal Antibodies Inc. with the Monoclonal Antibodies Inc. as the surviving company.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 782
#90318c0099 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.L. PRIM TRUSTEE PRIM 1988 REVOCABLE TRUST OWNS 874,967 SHARES (5.90%) OF NU WEST INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FERT) OF ENGLEWOOD, COLORADO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 5 and Nov. 2, 1990 W.L. Prim Trustee Prim 1988 Rev Trust had transactions affecting 170,000 shares at $.81 to $1 per share, purchase or sale not specified.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 585
#90318c0100 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

AMERICAN SCREEN CO. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 3,974,620 SHARES (65.82%) OF TVC IMAGE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: TVCI) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Under a share exchange agreement dated Oct. 30, 1990 the American Screen Co. agreed to issue 5 million shares of its common stock to the TVC Image Technology Inc. in exchange for the TVC Image Technology Inc.'s issuance on Oct. 30 to the American Screen Co. of 3.1 million TVC Image Technology Inc. common shares.

PURPOSE:

Share exchange agreement.

-30- 737
#90318c0101 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

J.S. GALLI OWNS 400,000 SHARES (5.70%) OF WASHINGTON BANCORP. (TICKER: WBNC) OF WASHINGTON, D.C..

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 31, 1990 J.S. Galli sold 50,000 shares at 5 cents per share.

-30- 394
#90318c0102 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

CRSS INC. OF HOUSTON, TEXAS OWNS 11,118,000 SHARES (44.30%) OF NATEC RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: NATC) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CRSS Inc. has purchased $10 million of a new NaTec issue consisting of class A redeemable convertible preferred stock which is convertible at a rate of $6.18 per common share.

-30- 508
#90318c0103 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

C.V. CUSIMANO OWNS 198,880 SHARES (3.60%) OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO) OF DENVER, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On May 22, 1990 C.V. Cusimano transferred 80,000 Wichita River Oil Corp. shares to his spouse. On Aug. 14, 1990 C.V. Cusimano resigned as an Wichita River Oil Corp. officer and director and no longer has control over 200,000 shares held by the Wichita River Oil Corp. ESOP and as a result, C.V. Cusimano no longer holds more than 5 percent of the Wichita River Oil Corp.

-30- 704
#90318c0105 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.A. BIANCO OWNS 169,400 SHARES (.50%) OF AMBASE CORP. (TICKER: ABC) OF NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.A. Bianco is a member of a group which intends to vote their Ambase Corp. shares together to, among other things, approve the sale of The Home Insurance Co., an Ambase Corp. subsidiary, to TVH Acquisition Corp. Purcell and Bianco met with Ambase Corp. on Nov. 9 and 12 at which meetings Purcell and Bianco proposed that they and Kramer and Bader be elected as additional Ambase Corp. directors. Together the group holds a 10.8 percent interest in Ambase Corp.. Caribe, of which Purcell is chairman, purchased 4,000 Ambase Corp. shares at $.94 per share on Nov. 12, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 23 and Nov. 12, 1990 the R.A. Bianco purchased 169,400 shares at $.63 to $.94 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1036
#90318c0106 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D. KRAMER OWNS 4,000 SHARES (.10%) OF AMBASE CORP (TICKER: ABC) OF NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

D. Kramer is a member of a group which intends to vote their Ambase Corp. shares together to, among other things, approve the sale of The Home Insurance Co., an Ambase Corp. subsidiary, to TVH Acquisition Corp. Purcell and Bianco met with Ambase Corp. on Nov. 9 and 12 at which meetings Purcell and Bianco proposed that they and Kramer and Bader be elected as additional Ambase Corp. directors. Together the group holds a 10.8 percent interest in Ambase Corp.. Caribe, of which Purcell is chairman, purchased 4,000 Ambase Corp. shares at $.94 per share on Nov. 12, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 23 and Nov. 12, 1990 the D. Kramer purchased 169,400 shares at $.63 to $.94 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1027
#90318c0107 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY SANDLER ASSOCIATES OWNS 539,300 SHARES (8.22%) OF OUTLET COMMUNICATIONS INC (TICKER: OCOM) OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 2, 1990 Sandler Associates purchased 1,200 shares at $13.75 each.

-30- 444
#90318c0108 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

PENN CENTRAL CORP. OF CINCINNATI, OHIO OWNS 2,083,800 SHARES (17.40%) OF BUCKEYE PARTNERS LP (TICKER: BPL).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 11 through Nov. 8, 1990, Penn Central Corp. purchased 123,200 limited partnership units at a price of $23.25 to $24.38 per unit.

-30- 474
#90318c0109 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

T.R. ULIE OWNS 338,000 SHARES (5.10%) OF RADIATION TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: RTII) OF ROCKAWAY, NEW JERSEY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 10 through Nov. 2, 1990, T.R. Ulie purchased 64,200 shares at a price of $0.31 to $0.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 476
#90318c0110 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J. ROTH OWNS 895,000 SHARES (6.40%) OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME) OF ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 20 through Nov. 9, 1990, J. Roth purchased 768,500 shares at a price of $1.44 to $1.94 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 471
#90318c0111 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY OMNICORP INTERNATIONAL BV OWNS 7,932,892 SHARES (57.90%) OF CHECKROBOT INC (TICKER: CKRB) OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As of Oct. 1, 1990, Claudia Mahedy resigned as a director of the Checkrobot Inc. and as of Oct. 15, 1990, Sandra E. Stiles resigned as the president and as an employee of Omnicorp Holdings Inc. Ms. Stiles remains a director of both the Checkrobot Inc. and Omnicorp Holdings Inc.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 9, 1990, date of the delayed closing, Sensormatic delivered to Subsidiary (pursuant to the purchase agreement dated May 18, 1989) all of the stock certificates evidencing the escrow shares (which escrow agreement prohibited the transfer of the escrow shares until Oct. 24, 1990) in exchange for the U.S. $7,875,000 balance of the purchase price, together with accrued interest from Nov. 2, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Execution of purchase agreement.

-30- 1128
#90318c0113 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

L.G. NAFF OWNS 119,600 SHARES (4.32%) OF JACLYN INC. (TICKER: JLN) OF WEST NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 10, 1986, a consent judgment was entered by the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, CA No. 86-2512, styled Securities and Exchange Commission v. L. Glenn Naff. By the terms of this order, Mr. Naff was permanently enjoined from noncompliance with certain federal securities law provision, particularly schedule 13D filing requirements.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 19, 1990 through Nov. 6, 1990, L.G. Naff sold 36,700 shares at a price of $6.38 to $7.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Liquidation of securities.

-30- 854
#90318c0114 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A.J. POMATO OWNS 84,839 SHARES (7.30%) OF LEVY BANCORP VENTURA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Sept. 30, 1990, the Levy Bancorp Voting Trust was dissolved and the shares were distributed to their beneficial owners. Pomato intends to hold her shares for investment purposes.

PURPOSE:

Dissolution of voting trust.

-30- 526
#90318c0115 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

AA MILLIGAN OWNS 197,402 SHARES (17.10%) OF LEVY BANCORP OF VENTURA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Sept. 30, 1990, the Levy Bancorp Voting Trust was dissolved and the shares were distributed to their beneficial owners. Milligan intends to hold his shares for investment purposes.

PURPOSE:

Dissolution of voting trust.

-30- 537
#90318c0116 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.R. MILLIGAN OWNS 64,206 SHARES (5.60%) OF LEVY BANCORP OF VENTURA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Sept. 30, 1990, the Levy Bancorp Voting Trust was dissolved and the shares were distributed to their beneficial owners. Milligan intends to hold his shares for investment purposes.

PURPOSE:

Dissolution of voting trust.

-30- 538
#90318c0117 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A.J. POMATO OWNS 192,976 SHARES (6.70%) OF LEVY BANCORP. OF VENTURA,

CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Sept. 30, 1990, the Levy Bancorp Voting Trust was dissolved and the shares were distributed to their beneficial owners. Pomato intends to hold her shares for investment purposes.

PURPOSE:

Dissolution of trust.

-30- 526
#90318c0118 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

AA MILLIGAN OWNS 475,848 SHARES (16.50%) OF LEVY BANCORP. OF VENTURA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Sept. 30, 1990, the Levy Bancorp Voting Trust was dissolved and the shares were distributed to their beneficial owners. Milligan intends to hold his shares for investment purposes.

PURPOSE:

Dissolution of trust.

-30- 531
#90318c0119 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY PS INSURANCE CO. LTD. OWNS 935,262 SHARES (7.20%) OF STORAGE EQUITIES INC. (TICKER: SEQ) OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

PSI received 97,119 shares from Aug. 30 to Nov. 1, 1990 as a transaction fee in connection with the issuance of shares to the limited partners in certain partnerships.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

PS Insurance Co. LTD. acquired 50,050 shares between Oct. 1 Oct. 22 for $6.37 to $7.12 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 675
#90318c0121 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY ORNEST FAMILY PARTNERSHIP OWNS 395,759 SHARES (9.99%) OF HOLLYWOOD PARK ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: HTRF) OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 31, 1990, Harry Ornest gave his consent to serve as a director of both companies to R.D. Hubbard.

-30- 474
#90318c0122 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:31 that trade in First Essex Bancorp.(NASDAQ: FESX) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 3/8. The company is located in Lawrence, Massachusetts.

-30- 354
#90318c0123 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in TransCapital Financial Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol TFC. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

-30- 367
#90318c0124 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FARAH HALEEN TRUST OF 8889 GATEWAY WEST, EL PASO, TEXAS 79925, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF FARAH INC. (TICKER: FRA) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(FARAH INC. TEL: 915 593-4444)

-30- 395
#90318c0125 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A.F. BUTTACAVOLI OF 22707 SPATSWOOD, KATY, TEXAS 77449, HAS FILED TO SELL 155,183 SHARES OF CATTLEGUARD INC. (TICKER: CGXX) THROUGH TEXAS FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(CATTLEGUARD INC. TEL: 713 863-1110)

-30- 412
#90318c0126 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A.D. JENSEN OF 1062 CEDAR AVE, ANDALUSIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19020, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI) THROUGH LEGG MASON WOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 688-1322)

-30- 455
#90318c0127 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P.K. SAUNDERS OF 2201 PONCHARTRAIN, LEAGUE CITY, TEXAS 77573, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF STERLING CHEMICALS INC. (TICKER: STX) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(STERLING CHEMICALS INC. TEL: 713 650-3700)

-30- 433
#90318c0129 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.R. EGAN OF 171 SOUTH STREET, HOPKINTON, MASSACHUSETTS 01748, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EMC CORP. (MA) (TICKER: EMC) THROUGH SUTRO & CO. INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(EMC CORP. (MA) TEL: 617 435-1000)

-30- 392
#90318c0130 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - W.J. KADRI OF 2241 TAHUE CT, NORCROSS, GEORGIA 30071, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,633 SHARES OF DRUG EMPORIUM INC. (TICKER: DEMP) THROUGH BHC SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(DRUG EMPORIUM INC. TEL: 216 344-6662)

-30- 404
#90318c0131 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in NorthGate Exploration LTD. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol NGX.

-30- 355
#90318c0132 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T. EPPS OF 1502 EAST 19TH, PO BOX 1770, EDMOND, OKLAHOMA 73083, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN DRUG SCREENS INC. (TICKER: ADSI) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 2, 1990.

(AMERICAN DRUG SCREENS INC. TEL: 405 949-1722)

-30- 440
#90318c0133 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.H. TRAENKLE OF 850 MACCLESFIELD RD, FURLONG, PENNSYLVANIA 18925, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EQUIMARK CORP. (TICKER: EQK) THROUGH W.H. NEWBOLDS & SON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(EQUIMARK CORP. TEL: 412 288-5000)

-30- 410
#90318c0134 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.D. MEYERS OF 1730 FOX DRIVE, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA 95131, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 408 441-2200)

-30- 450
#90318c0135 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L.B. BRILLIANT OF 524 SAN ANSELMO AVE #201, SAN ANSELMO, CALIFORNIA 94960, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,943 SHARES OF ASIAMERICA EQUITIES LTD. (TICKER: ASIA) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 5, 1990.

(ASIAMERICA EQUITIES LTD. TEL: 604 683-8286)

-30- 450
#90318c0137 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G.R. KERSTEN OF 601 WYTHE STREET, SUITE 202, ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 23314, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 2, 1990.

(CEL-SCI CORP. TEL: 703 549-5293)

-30- 409
#90318c0138 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KRAMER TERRY A TRUSTEE OF 2323 SOUTH WADSWORTH BLVD, SUITE 107, DENVER, COLORADO 80227, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF HARRIER INC. (TICKER: HARE) THROUGH ALLEN & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 5, 1990.

(HARRIER INC. TEL: 303 988-4500)

-30- 431
#90318c0139 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.A. KRAMER OF 711 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF HARRIER INC. (TICKER: HARE) THROUGH ALLEN & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 5, 1990.

(HARRIER INC. TEL: 303 988-4500)

-30- 390
#90318c0140 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - D. SHONK OF 18035 SAGEBRUSH WAY RTE #1, BRIGHTON, COLORADO 80601, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,352 SHARES OF TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: RRRC) THROUGH BOETTCHER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 303 399-6351)

-30- 418
#90318c0141 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WPT PARTNERSHIP OF 1805 PINEHURST, ST PAUL, MINNESOTA 55116, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED MONITORING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AMSI) THROUGH R J STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(ADVANCED MONITORING SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 806 376-6142)

-30- 463
#90318c0142 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L. STICCO OF 406 BRIDGEWOOD COURT, BOCA RATON, FLORIDA 33434, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,908 SHARES OF CLUB-THEATRE NETWORK INC. (TICKER: HDTV) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(CLUB-THEATRE NETWORK INC. TEL: 305 968-5110)

-30- 429
#90318c0143 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A. STICCO OF 406 BRIDGEWOOD COURT, BOCA RATON, FLORIDA 33434, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,908 SHARES OF CLUB-THEATRE NETWORK INC. (TICKER: HDTV) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(CLUB-THEATRE NETWORK INC. TEL: 305 968-5110)

-30- 429
#90318c0145 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CONDOR PARTNERS LP OF 1200 ALGONQUIN RD, ELK GROVE TOWNSHIP, ILLINOIS 60007, HAS FILED TO SELL 250,000 SHARES OF UAL CORP. (TICKER: UAL) THROUGH

BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(UAL CORP. TEL: 708 952-4000)

-30- 413
#90318c0146 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A.G. DEBUSK OF 3583 DORIS DR, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32303, HAS FILED TO SELL 160,625 SHARES OF ENVIRONMENTAL DIAGNOSTICS INC. (TICKER: EDIT) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(ENVIRONMENTAL DIAGNOSTICS INC. TEL: 919 226-6311)

-30- 450
#90318c0147 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.A. BECKER OF 18716 AVENIDA CORDILLERA, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 92128, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF SGI INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SGII) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(SGI INTERNATIONAL TEL: 619 452-0841)

-30- 422
#90318c0148 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C. ALLEN JR OF 711 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF HARRIER INC. (TICKER: HARE) THROUGH ALLEN & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 5, 1990.

(HARRIER INC. TEL: 213 376-7721)

-30- 387
#90318c0149 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.M. BROBERG TRUST OF 1010 W 2610 SOUTH, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84119, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF JB'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: JBBB) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(JB'S RESTAURANTS INC. TEL: 801 974-4300)

-30- 436
#90318c0150 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J. MANN BENEFIT PENSION OF 5 HIGH RIDGE PARK, STANFORD, CONNECTICUT 06905, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF NYCOM INFORMATION SERVICES INC. (TICKER: NYCM) THROUGH BISHOP ROSEN & CO. INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(NYCOM INFORMATION SERVICES INC. TEL: 203 322-7300)

-30- 479
#90318c0151 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLOBAL VENTURES INC. OF 826 VOSS, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77024, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ADTEC INC. (TICKER: JAIL) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(ADTEC INC. TEL: 512 490-0594)

-30- 392
#90318c0153 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.J. LADD OF 110 ROSE ORCHARD WAY, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA 95134, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF VMX INC. (TICKER: VMXI) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(VMX INC. TEL: 408 943-0878)

-30- 387
#90318c0154 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B. POPOV OF 4099 PENFIELD CT. SOUTH, AFTON, MINNESOTA 55001, HAS FILED TO SELL 33,000 SHARES OF BALLISTIC RECOVERY SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: BRSI) THROUGH HAYNE MILLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 1, 1990.

(BALLISTIC RECOVERY SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 612 457-7491)

-30- 448
#90318c0155 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - P. BUZZALLINO OF 60 GREEN LEAF DR, STAMFORD, CT 06902, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. (TICKER: PMCX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 5, 1990.

(POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. TEL: 203 964-0333)

-30- 415
#90318c0156 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A.C. TONEY OF 445 TELLER ST, WHEATRIDGE, COLORADO 80333, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH FIRST CHOICE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-7330)

-30- 409
#90318c0157 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.P. WARD OF 1661 BERKFORD COURT, ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30319, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH FIRST CHOICE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-7330)

-30- 409
#90318c0158 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SPECIALTY PRODUCT CO. INC. OF PO BOX 1204, LAWRENCEVILLE, GEORGIA 30246, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,143 SHARES OF ROSS COSMETICS DISTR CTRS INC.(TICKER: RCDC) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(ROSS COSMETICS DISTR CTRS INC. TEL: 803 439-7854)

-30- 471
#90318c0159 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T. ZINKE OF 1117 JUDSON, LONGMONT, COLORADO 80501, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF COM-TEK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CTKR) THROUGH JESUP &

JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 7, 1990.

(COM-TEK RESOURCES INC. TEL: 303 595-8555)

-30- 417
#90318c0161 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 28, 1990, W.H. HELMERICH III, CHAIRMAN OF HELMERICH & PAYNE INC. (TICKER: HP), SOLD 1,136,628 SHARES AT $31.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 425,250.

-30- 346
#90318c0162 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 20, 1990, D.M. SERVEDIO, PRES. OF STV ENGINEERS INC. (TICKER: STVI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90318c0163 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 26, 1990, D.M. SERVEDIO, PRES. OF STV ENGINEERS INC. (TICKER: STVI), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,700.

-30- 308
#90318c0164 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, T. VEALE II, CHAIRMAN OF SUDBURY INC. (TICKER: SUDS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90318c0165 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, T. VEALE II, CHAIRMAN OF SUDBURY INC. (TICKER: SUDS), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,964,656.

-30- 310

#90318c0166 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, T. VEALE III, VP OF SUDBURY INC. (TICKER: SUDS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90318c0167 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, T. VEALE III, VP OF SUDBURY INC. (TICKER: SUDS), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,964,656.

-30- 299
#90318c0169 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in NorthGate Exploration LTD. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol NGX. Trading was resumed at 9:57.

-30- 363
#90318c0170 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:05 that trade in El Paso Electric Co.(NASDAQ: ELPA) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 3/4. The company is located in El Paso, Texas.

-30- 345
#90318c0171 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:52 that trade in Isomet Corp.(NASDAQ: IOMT) has been resumed. The first bid was 5 1/2; up 1/2 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 334
#90318c0172 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:45 that trade in First Essex Bancorp. (NASDAQ: FESX) has been resumed. The first sale was 2; down 3/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 350
#90318c0173 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:47 that trade in El Paso Electric Co.(NASDAQ: ELPA) has been resumed. The first sale was 4; up 1/4

point from the halt, and up 1/8 point from the previous close.

-30- 359

#90318c0174 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:30 that trade in Pharmakinetics Laboratories Inc.(NASDAQ: PKLB) has been resumed. The first sale was 1/8; down 1/32 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 377

#90318c0175 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Tristate Bancorp.(TICKER: TRIB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$401,000	$236,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.47	$0.27
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$196,285,000	$190,708,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,547,000	$18,288,000

-30- 825

#90318c0177 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Simpson Industries Inc.(TICKER: SMPS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$46,984,000	$45,885
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$583,000	$1,269,000

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$0.13
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,722,869	9,23,789

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$123,763,000	$123,752,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$64,8666,000	$63,811,000

-30- 1086

#90318c0178 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Crown Resources Corp.(TICKER: CRRS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,922,000	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(7,000)	$(395,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,483,834	9,248,612

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$48,366,000	$43,276,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$20,358,000	$18,089,000

-30- 1064

#90318c0179 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cutco Industries Inc.(TICKER: CUTC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$3,463,087	$3,986,454
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$30,257	$140,736
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.13
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,141,076	1,121,131

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,697,820	$7,911,360
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,841,687	$4,868,483

-30- 1094

#90318c0180 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Members Service Corp.(TICKER: MSCX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$996,087	$1,029,194
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(213,523)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(332,486)	$(349,354)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,796,499	5,266,876

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,479,511	$4,955,145
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,059,746	$3,692,321

-30- 1075

#90318c0181 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by New Hampshire Thrift Bancshares Inc. (TICKER: NHTB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$170,008	$206,023
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$0.09

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$207,028,571	$210,488,202
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,410,230	$19,613,553

-30- 819

#90318c0182 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Dynamic American Corp.(TICKER: DACO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$706,129	$203,570
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$43,781	$(101,566)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,245,793	2,455,384

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,090,851	$3,235,415
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,927,984	$2,716,562

-30- 1059

#90318c0183 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by OCG Technology Inc.(TICKER: OCGT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,600	$11,487
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(22,336)	$(188,848)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	15,246,987	10,584,760

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$900,845	$923,557
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$520,588	$542,924

-30- 1059

#90318c0185 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Tabor Environmental Services Inc.(TICKER: TABR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Nine Months Ended

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$1,042,883	$2,547,872
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$73,140	$156,627
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$N/A	$0.03

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,246,302	$2,679,395
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,943,889	$1,198,037

-30- 1029

#90318c0186 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Piedmont Bankgroup Inc.(TICKER: PBGI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,427,000	$1,264,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.49	$0.44
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,898,000	2,877,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$674,389,000	$629,984,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$45,350,000	$41,930,000

-30- 875

#90318c0187 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sunwest Financial Services Inc.(TICKER:SFSI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$4,429,000	$4,989,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.47	$0.53
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9.427,741	9,367,005

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,230,907,000	$3,086,204,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$204,710,000	$213,580,000

-30- 882

#90318c0188 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Teltronics Inc.(TICKER: TELT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,380,260	$1,730,773
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$156,314	$108,136
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.01

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,737,290	$5,448,118
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,323,105	$3,170,348

-30- 983

#90318c0189 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by API Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: APIE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$143,631	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(164,077)	$(12,703)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	45,928,053	4,928,053

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,809,781	$1,761,705
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$620,620	$478,710

-30- 1046

#90318c0190 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Capital Industries Inc.(TICKER: CIIC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,775,949	$10,622,901
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$92,383
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$12,832	$144,796
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$0.53
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	273,879	273,879

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$20,977,776	$21,556,335
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,397,404	$4,368,685

-30- 1064

#90318c0191 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Union Bank & Trust Co.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,050,386	$724,529
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.27	$0.19
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,840,000	3,840,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$508,846,268	$530,147,160
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$47,937,575	$47,214,658

-30- 856

#90318c0193 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Kaplan Industries Inc.(TICKER: KAPL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$21,570,000	$21,954,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$14,000	$(327,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.18)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,146,000	$13,616,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,672,000	$2,145,000

-30- 1005

#90318c0194 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Xedar Corp.(TICKER: XEDR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$217,044	$352,301
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$5,000	$24,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$15,784	$146,124
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.08
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,797,224	1,762,224

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$870,370	$932,353
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$814,388	$885,228

-30- 1034
#90318c0195 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Koss Corp.(TICKER: KOSS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,834,022	$8,739,035
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$26,492	$705,621
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.19
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,182,482	3,689,325

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$14,738,460	$12,961,265
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,020,357	$5,987,545

-30- 1059
#90318c0196 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Victory Markets Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$157,056,000	$162,416,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(597,000)	$(1,376,000)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 29, 1990	Dec. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$225,559,000	$239,798,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$25,837,000	$26,799,000

-30- 934

#90318c0197 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Stewart Sandwiches Inc.(TICKER: STEW).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

Sept. 28, Sept. 29,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,425,666	$7,941,871
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$932,872	$373,504
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.53	$0.21
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,772,381	1,772,381

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 29, 1990	June 29, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,909,393	$15,760,535
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,509,096	$10,441,968

-30- 1086

#90318c0198 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Database Technologies Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended April 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$88,311	$46,947

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(146,533)	$1,194
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	

BALANCE SHEET

	April 30, 1990	April 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,678	$96,078
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(130,803)	$5,730

-30- 1014

#90318c0199 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by M/A/R/C Inc.(TICKER: MARC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$18,304,000	$15,188,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$761,000	$631,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.28	$0.21
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,709,819	2,977,950

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$37,417,000	$35,978,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$29,415,000	$29,035,000

-30- 1082

#90318c0201 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by INVG Mortgage Securities Corp.(TICKER: INVG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$91,877,310	$105,181,477
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,294,579)	$(961,479)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.90)	$(1.41)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$886,275,634	$980,907,508
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$23,815,808	$25,826,775

-30- 1036

#90318c0202 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Western Energy Resources Inc.(TICKER: WERC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$47,513	$46,065
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(6,922)	$(24,284)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,015,388	$1,072,194
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$958,834	$1,019,984

-30- 1026

#90318c0203 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Family Bancorp.(TICKER: FMLY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(997,000)	$841,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.38)	$0.27

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$484,290,000	$485,001,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$45,962,000	$48,841,000

-30- 773

#90318c0204 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Quality Systems Inc.(TICKER: QSII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,344,200	$2,237,700
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(17,400)	$20,700
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(37,900)	$(49,500)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,184,116	4,184,116

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,064,900	$9,042,100
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,540,000	$6,445,000

-30- 1081

#90318c0205 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by C.H. Heist Corp.(TICKER: CHHC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 24, 1989
REVENUES	$18,992,105	$18,448,064
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,024,430	$1,181,477
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.53	$0.61
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,936,889	1,937,268

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 24, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$28,819,659	$28,200,510
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$21,826,679	$20,632,311

-30- 1088

#90318c0206 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Tele-Communications Inc.(TICKER: TCOM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$942,000,000	$827,000,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(220,000,000)	$(7,000,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$(0.21)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,277,000,000	$11,432,000,000

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$764,000,000	$908,000,000

-30- 1073

#90318c0207 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Talman Home Federal Savings and Loan Association (TICKER: TLMN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,879,000	$4,308,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.40	$0.44
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,700,000	9,700,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,775,810,000	$6,091,780,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$343,825,000	$331,569,000

-30- 909

#90318c0209 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Legend Foods Inc.(TICKER: LGFD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,863,210	$2,633,248
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,074,388)	$(498,947)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$(0.05)

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$769,742	$692,975
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(454,698)	$124,930

-30- 980

#90318c0210 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Video Jukebox Network Inc.(TICKER: JUKE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,796,834	$1,144,548
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(415,483)	$(290,121)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,487,168	9,055,660

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,300,168	$6,886,082
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,201,473	$3,534,728

-30- 1101

#90318c0211 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Networks Electronic Corp.(TICKER: NWRK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,987,695	$1,274,315
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$19,007	$(215,743)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,453,642	1,495,012

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,133,358	$6,821,479
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,313,459	$1,294,452

-30- 1104

#90318c0212 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Timberline Software Corp.(TICKER: TMBS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,750,571	$2,550,547
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(96,605)	$174,567
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,394,589	2,482,762

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,958,964	$5,188,978
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,779,495	$2,950,718

-30- 1086

#90318c0213 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Watts Industries Inc.(TICKER: WATT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$80,969,000	$67,710,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$7,628,000	$6,961,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.60	$0.55

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$295,942,000	$286,761,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$178,390,000	$170,775,000

-30- 1008

#90318c0214 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by North Coast Energy Inc.(TICKER: NOCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,351,205	$1,152,007
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(187,927)	$(121,144)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.05)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,799,747	$8,908,904
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,065,853	$4,397,447

-30- 998

#90318c0215 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Celgene Corp.(TICKER: CELG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$383,203	$688,563

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,874,680)	$(1,344,244)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.35)	$(0.25)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,409,000	5,407,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,307,913	$20,275,286
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,615,446	$19,583,936

-30- 1071

#90318c0217 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Associated Banc-Corp.(TICKER: ASBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$4,990,000	$4,395,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.60	$0.53
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,334,000	8,342,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,816,151,000	$1,751,253,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$125,311,000	$126,077,000

-30- 865

#90318c0218 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Prima Energy Corp.(TICKER: PENG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$1,903,174	$1,465,409
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$354,678	$271,230
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.17	$0.18
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,034,545	2,062,466

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,834,742	$12,981,112
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,098,960	$9,744,282

-30- 1053

#90318c0219 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Simmons First National Corp.(TICKER: SFNC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,347,000	$890,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.96	$0.64

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$523,522,000	$528,225,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$39,272,000	$36,848,000

-30- 824

#90318c0220 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Oct. 17, 1990, the shares of Agristar Inc.(TICKER: AGRS) common stock were delisted from the Vancouver Stock Exchange at the request of Agristar Inc.

-30- 367

#90318c0221 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Interwest Medical Corp.(TICKER: IMCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$22,655	$548,986
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(37,629)	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(235,373)	$(247,662)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	19,581,667	20,000,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,885,813	$10,914,762
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,656,464	$3,428,022

-30- 1053

#90318c0222 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Bancorp of Nevada.(TICKER: AMBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$397,000	$244,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.32	$0.20

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$118,199,000	$106,543,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,428,000	$10,246,000

-30- 797

#90318c0223 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Denning Mobile Robotics Inc.(TICKER: GARD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$300,204	$132,042
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(289,414)	$(419,767)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	17,427,928	13,493,402

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$992,992	$939,923
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$475,598	$398,996

-30- 1080

#90318c0225 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Missouri Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: UMSB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$9,081,000	$10,009,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.73	$0.77
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,526,721	12,959,206

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,953,198,000	$4,038,057,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$337,246,000	$215,980,000

-30- 875

#90318c0226 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by First Federal S&L Assn. of Columbia, Tennessee. (TICKER: FCTN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$122,947	$154,701
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.21	$0.26
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	595,094	595,094

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$79,893,437	$79,464,113
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,525,781	$9,458,618

-30- 905

#90318c0227 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Independent Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: IBSI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$830,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$189,000	$172,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$0.04

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$200,544,000	$206,445,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,196,000	$4,812,000

-30- 892

#90318c0228 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:39 that trade in Hana Biologics Inc. (NASDAQ: HANA) has been halted pending news. The last sale

was 3/4. The company is located in Alameda, CA.

-30- 339
#90318c0229 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:02 that trade in US Facilities Corp.(NASDAQ: USRE) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 3/4.

-30- 301
#90318c0230 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 50

GROUP LED BY HERITAGE MEDIA CORP. OF DALLAS, TEXAS OWNS 3,625,883 SHARES (98.40%) OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 13, 1990, Heritage made a capital contribution of the 100,000 shares held by it to HMSI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 5, 1990, HMSI sold to merger sub and aggregate of 115,600 share at a price of $14.25 to $17.50 per share for an total purchase price of $1,918,300.

PURPOSE:

Sale to invest funds held by HMI.

-30- 693
#90318c0231 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

J.C. LOKER OWNS 823,800 SHARES (18.10%) OF SOFTGUARD SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SFTG) OF SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On April 3, 1990, Mr. Loker acquired 475,800 shares at the price of one share of Smallframe common stock per 300 shares of Softguard common stock pursuant stock purchase agreement and plan of reorganization dated Jan. 1, 1990 and

delivered April 3, 1990 and amendment to the agreement dated April 3, 1990.

-30- 638
#90318c0233 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY BALFOUR MACLAINE CORP NEW YORK OWNS 6,489,766 SHARES (77.90%) OF AMERICAN VISION CENTER INC (TICKER: AMVC).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Balfour Maclaine Corp. has advised American Vision Centers Inc. that Balfour's management, with the assistance of financial advisors, is preparing a restructuring plan in connection with refocusing the Company on its core commodity businesses including coffee, cocoa, tea, and grain finance services. The plan will include proposals for the sale or other disposition of several affiliates, including the Company's interests in American Vision Centers Inc.

-30- 816
#90318c0234 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY G.S. PUSEY OF DENVER, COLORADO OWNS 285,783 SHARES (20.50%) OF CAMBRIDGE HOLDINGS LTD (TICKER: LENS) OF DENVER, COLORADO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

G.S. Pusey acquired 9,600 shares on Nov. 6, 1990 for $.38 per share. On May 22 1990, G.S. Pusey purchased 7,600 shares for $.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 540
#90318c0235 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

R. SVRLUGA OWNS 675,358 SHARES (5.20%) OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM) OF WATERTOWN, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Apr. 30, 1990, R. Svrluga agreed to purchase 6,254 convertible preferred shares for $.01 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

R. Svrlugas sold 249,900 shares from May 17 to Aug. 23, 1990 at undisclosed amounts.

-30- 547
#90318c0236 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY FFV FORETAGEN AB OWNS 2,041,782 SHARES (80.20%) OF AERO SYSTEMS ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: AERS).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 1, 1990, the entire interest of FFV AB in the Aero Systems Engineering Inc. was contributed to the capital of FFV Holdings Inc. to bring Aero Systems Engineering Inc. into the consolidated group of companies owned by FFV Holdings and to simplify the accounting, administrative and tax reporting of the group of companies. The FFV Foretagen ABs intend to purchase additional shares sufficient to maintain their 80 percent interest in the Aero Systems Engineering Inc.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

The FFV Foretagen ABs purchased 6,500 shares on Oct. 29-30, 1990 for $4.22 to $4.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

To increase the controlling interest in the Aero Systems Engineering Inc.

-30- 1044
#90318c0237 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 359,800 SHARES (4.10%) OF MSA REALTY CORP (TICKER: SSS) OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Goldman Sachs & Co. sold 325,000 shares from Nov. 6-7, 1990 for $2.63 to $2.75 per share and purchased 5,000 units on Oct. 22, 1990 for $2.75 per share.

-30- 510
#90318c0238 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 6, 1990, the company issued a press release announcing that the merger planned between the International Consumer Technologies Corp. and a subsidiary of the Leisure Concepts Inc.(TICKER: LCIC) had been terminated. The International Consumer Technologies Corp. has responded by saying that it has not terminated the merger agreement nor has it received a formal notice of termination from the company and questions on a legal basis any purported termination. ICT has since requested additional information concerning such a decision by the company.

-30- 792
#90318c0239 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 12, 1990, the company received a letter dated Nov. 9, 1990 enclosing an amended shareholders' class action complaint entitled Alan R. Kahn, Trustee v. The B. Minischewitz Co. et al.

-30- 417
#90318c0242 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

A. PAOLERCIO JR OWNS 1,411,500 SHARES (19.97%) OF MICHAEL ANTHONY JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: MAJL) OF MOUNT VERNON, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 17, 1990, Mr. Paolercio, Michael A. Paolercio, MP, Nussen, Weisz and Michael Anthony Jewelers Inc. entered into a letter agreement that removes exercise restriction on the put option and accelerated the time the option could be exercised. On Oct. 24, 1990, the put option was exercised and on Oct. 31, 1990, the purchase by Nussen and Weisz was consummated for $450,000 plus $4,248 in interest.

-30- 765
#90318c0243 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

M.A. PAOLERCIO OWNS 843,000 SHARES (11.93%) OF MICHAEL ANTHONY JEWELERS INC. (TICKER: MAJL) OF MOUNT VERNON, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 17, 1990, Mr. Paolercio, AP, MP, Nussen, Weisz and the Michael Anthony Jewelers Inc. entered into a letter agreement that removes exercise restriction on the put option and accelerated the time the option could be exercised. On Oct. 24, 1990, the put option was exercised and on Oct. 31, 1990 the purchase by Nussen and Weisz was consummated for $450,000 plus $4,248 in interest.

-30- 746
#90318c0244 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

E.J. NAMES OWNS 9,458,000 SHARES (20.20%) OF ALFA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: ALFX) OF EVERGREEN, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

E.J. Names purchased 5.4 million shares on Oct. 30, 1990 for $3,300 and on Sept. 4, 1990 received incentive options for 2 million shares exercisable at $.004 per share and options for an additional 2 million shares which will vest on Sept. 5, 1991.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 610
#90318c0245 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY R.C. DUCOMMUN OF ROSS, CALIFORNIA OWNS 577,623 SHARES (16.70%) OF DUCOMMUN INC (TICKER: DCO) OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.C. Ducommun have granted proxies to Robert Ducommun to vote their shares until Dec. 31, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 473
#90318c0246 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

CGI CORP OWNS 398,000 SHARES (16.20%) OF COMPUTER HORIZONS CORP. (TICKER: CHRZ) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CGI Corp. entered into negotiations with the Computer Horizons Corp. regarding an acquisition of CHC, but not agreements have been reached.

PURPOSE:

To obtain significant investment in Computer Horizons Corp. and to influence management.

-30- 566
#90318c0247 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY BRADY ASSOCIATES OWNS 2,387,857 SHARES (18.70%) OF NORTEK INC. (TICKER: NTK) OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 31, 1990, Brady Associates purchased 647,184 common shares for $9.50 per share pursuant to a stock purchase agreement. The agreement also provides for the purchase of an additional 34,307 shares on Nov. 15, 1990 for $9.50 per share. Pursuant to an Oct. 31, 1990 stock subscription agreement, Brady Associates have agreed to purchase 285,000 shares from Nortek Inc. for $9.50 per share on or before Nov. 30, 1990.

PURPOSE:

To acquire a significant equity interest.

-30- 826

#90318c0248 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Walshire Assurance Co.(TICKER: WALS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,625,451	$4,249,562
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$796,411	$658,577
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.37	$0.30
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,171,469	2,178,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$37,559,022	$34,434,904
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,507,877	$12,765,894

-30- 1075

#90318c0250 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Wisconsin Southern Gas Co. Inc.(TICKER: WISC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,533,368	$3,456,593
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(843,271)	$(802,553)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.86)	$(0.83)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,401,312	10,973,952

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$28,601,925	$31,926,330
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,521,421	$2,544,009

-30- 1092

#90318c0251 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Hingham Institution for Savings.(TICKER: HIFS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(919,000)	$(2,388,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.74)	$(1.91)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$153,591,000	$150,633,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,750,000	$17,999,000

-30- 819

#90318c0252 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Savannah Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: SAVB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Nine Months Ended

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(156,598)	$(277,318)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.29)	$(0.83)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	540,200	332,707

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$17,205,998	$352,491
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,980,338	$(113,427)

-30- 879

#90318c0253 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Preferred Homecare of America Inc.(TICKER: PFRD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,418,731	$574,747
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(89,680)	$(14,704)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,933,854	9,267,319

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,025,411	$4,666,032
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,705,899	$3,183,735

-30- 1068
#90318c0254 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Advanced NMR Systems Inc.(TICKER: ANMR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(304,926)	$(504,685)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.04)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,227,067	$2,680,926
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$995,037	$2,178,576

The company reports it is in the development stage and was organized to engage in research and development of MRI systems for use in clinical and research applications.

It states no revenues were recorded for the third quarter because contract costs exceeded recoverable costs.

The company's executive address is 30 Sonar Drive, Woburn, MA 01801, and its telephone number is (617) 938-6046.

-30- 1409
#90318c0255 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Unifast Industries Inc.(TICKER: UFST).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,034,839	$3,090,315
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,788,114)	$(506,941)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.56)	$(0.23)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,182,169	2,249,669

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,803,648	$10,278,321
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(2,457,186)	$(2,526,257)

-30- 1054

#90318c0256 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Virginia First Savings Bank F.S.B.(TICKER: VFSB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$454,334	$434,676
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.17	$0.16

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$488,676,270	$486,430,252
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$27,070,197	$26,615,863

-30- 832

#90318c0258 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Merry Land & Investment Co. Inc.(TICKER: MERY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,934,150	$7,303,851
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,838,392	$2,329,130
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.20	$0.24
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$322,088,727	$333,550,807
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$66,394,372	$67,463,002

-30- 1067

#90318c0259 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Eateries Inc.(TICKER: EATS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,926,537	$2,613,435
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$14,701	$(23,025)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,777,726	1,777,726

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,004,700	$2,116,865
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,023,683	$1,026,177

-30- 1047

#90318c0260 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Hampshire Thrift Bancshares Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$170,008	$206,023
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$0.09

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$207,028,571	$210,488,202
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,410,230	$19,613,553

-30- 782
#90318c0261 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bull Run Gold Mines Ltd.(TICKER: BULL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,229,771	$2,850,734
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(348,421)	$(879,447)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.09)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,737,000	9,737,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,270,566	$6,642,304
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,103,555	$3,387,681

-30- 1061

#90318c0262 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by State Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: STBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$680,080	$563,852
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.27	$0.23
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,517,293	2,502,741

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$275,909,052	$223,880,887
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$25,290,155	$24,037,597

-30- 853
#90318c0263 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:25 that trade in Hana Biologics Inc.(NASDAQ: HANA) has been resumed. The first sale was 11/16; down 1/16 point from the halt, and up 1/16 point from the previous close.

-30- 367
#90318c0264 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at that trade in Bally Manufacturing Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol BLY.

-30- 323
#90318c0266 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, A. BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H BULK CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BULK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 329
#90318c0267 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, A. BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H BULK CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BULK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,000.

-30- 333
#90318c0268 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, M.S. HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H BULK CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BULK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,000.

-30- 374
#90318c0269 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, J.F. SCARPELLI SR, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90318c0270 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, J.F. SCARPELLI SR, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,236.

-30- 298
#90318c0271 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 22, 1990, K.F. SPIKER, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED CORP. BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,081.

-30- 287
#90318c0272 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285

#90318c0274 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0275 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 10, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0276 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 11, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0277 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0278 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90318c0279 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 156 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280

#90318c0280 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 7,287 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0282 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0283 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0284 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 1,093 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0285 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,314,103.

-30- 327
#90318c0286 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, K.E. GUSS, DIR. OF JUNIATA VALLEY FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,074.

-30- 321
#90318c0287 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 22, 1990, DECOURSEY COMBS, PRES. OF LINCOLN INTERNATIONAL CORP. BOUGHT 2,603 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,273.

-30- 320
#90318c0288 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, J.A. DORE, PRES. OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS INSUR GRP LTD. (TICKER: FIIG), BOUGHT 880 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90318c0290 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, J.A. DORE, PRES. OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS INSUR GRP LTD. (TICKER: FIIG), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,940.

-30- 345
#90318c0291 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, S. STAHL, BEN. OWNER OF APPLE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: APK) BOUGHT 3,016,754 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,421,204.

-30- 323
#90318c0292 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 8, 1990, J. LATSHAW, CHAIRMAN OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: LAT) BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90318c0293 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 9, 1990, J. LATSHAW, CHAIRMAN OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: LAT) BOUGHT 225 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90318c0294 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 22, 1990, J. LATSHAW, CHAIRMAN OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: LAT) BOUGHT 176 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90318c0295 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 27, 1990, J. LATSHAW, CHAIRMAN OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: LAT) BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 212,427.

-30- 320
#90318c0296 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 15, 1990, F.W. DENIUS, DIR. OF SOUTHERN UNION CO.(TICKER: SUG) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 302
#90318c0298 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 22, 1990, T.P. HARRIS, DIR. OF PLANTERS CORP. (TICKER: PNBT), BOUGHT 158 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 863.

-30- 295
#90318c0299 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, T.R. SHACKELFORD, DIR. OF H & R BLOCK INC. (TICKER: HRB) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $38.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 312
#90318c0300 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, N.L. KELLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNIVEST CORP. (PA)(TICKER: USVP) BOUGHT 425 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,324.

-30- 322
#90318c0301 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 15, 1990, J.A. BORSKI JR, DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP INC. (MA) BOUGHT 138 SHARES AT $25.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90318c0302 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 15, 1990, J.A. BORSKI JR, DIR. OF COMMERCE GROUP INC. (MA) BOUGHT 207 SHARES AT $25.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,183.

-30- 300
#90318c0303 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H.E. STEVENS OF 663 EAST 4129 SOUTH, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84107, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ION LASER TECHNOLOGY INC. THROUGH COVEY & CO. INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 5, 1990.

(ION LASER TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 801 537-1590)

-30- 426
#90318c0304 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.F. KUNETKA OF 2230 ELSINORE RD, RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA 92506, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF RAMEX SYNFUELS INTL. INC.(TICKER: RAMS) THROUGH GORIAN THORNES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(RAMEX SYNFUELS INTL INC. TEL: 501 474-7906)

-30- 439
#90318c0306 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.K. HAIR PENSION TRUST OF 6024 S.W. JEAN RD, SUITE C-2, LAKE OSWEGO, OREGON 97034, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF CARIBBEAN VENTURE CORP. THROUGH KOBER FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

-30- 403
#90318c0307 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, G JAY JOHNSON, SHAREHOLDER OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 46,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90318c0308 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, G JAY JOHNSON, SHAREHOLDER OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90318c0309 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, G JAY JOHNSON, SHAREHOLDER OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90318c0310 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, G JAY JOHNSON, SHAREHOLDER OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90318c0311 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, G JAY JOHNSON, SHAREHOLDER OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 7,300 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 359,350.

-30- 352

#90318c0312 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, IRWIN SHAPIRO, OFFICER OF ARKANSAS FREIGHTWAYS CORP. (TICKER: AFWY), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90318c0314 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, FRANCIS M HERATY, VP OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR), SOLD 113 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 249
#90318c0315 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, FRANCIS M HERATY, VP OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR), BOUGHT 950 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 250
#90318c0316 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, FRANCIS M HERATY, VP OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR), BOUGHT 667 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 250
#90318c0317 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ERNEST F DOURLET, DIR. OF AMCAST INDUSTRIAL CORP. (TICKER: AIZ), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90318c0318 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ERNEST F DOURLET, DIR. OF AMCAST INDUSTRIAL CORP. (TICKER: AIZ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282

#90318c0319 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ERNEST F DOURLET, DIR. OF AMCAST INDUSTRIAL CORP. (TICKER: AIZ), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 323
#90318c0320 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WILLIAM J DURBIN, OFFICER OF AMCAST INDUSTRIAL CORP. (TICKER: AIZ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,270.

-30- 327
#90318c0322 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, EARL T OLOUGHLIN, DIR. OF AMCAST INDUSTRIAL CORP. (TICKER: AIZ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 319
#90318c0323 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, DAVID M BREWER, OFFICER OF AMDAHL CORP. (TICKER: AMH), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,400.

-30- 304
#90318c0324 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, WILLIAM L MORFELD, DIR. OF AMSERV INC. (TICKER: AMSR), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,525.

-30- 300
#90318c0325 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, EMANUEL E LANDSMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 551,192.

-30- 372
#90318c0326 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, ASHLAND OIL LEVER ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), SOLD 1,217 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c0327 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ASHLAND OIL LEVER ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), SOLD 7,005 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c0328 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, CHRIS A GRAFFT, OFFICER OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,500.

-30- 345
#90318c0330 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, STANLEY HARRIS, DIR. OF ATHLONE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ATH), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,500.

-30- 309
#90318c0331 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, GUY F MCCRACKEN, DIR. OF ATHLONE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ATH), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

-30- 311
#90318c0332 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, WALTER J ROPER, DIR. OF ATHLONE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ATH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,200.

-30- 306
#90318c0333 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, WALTER J ROPER, DIR. OF ATHLONE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ATH), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 311
#90318c0334 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ERNEST T GREEFF, SHAREHOLDER OF AUTOTROL CORP. (TICKER: AUTR), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90318c0335 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, CHARLES W PALMER, CHAIRMAN OF AUTOTROL CORP. (TICKER: AUTR), BOUGHT 246,940 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90318c0336 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, CHARLES W PALMER, CHAIRMAN OF AUTOTROL CORP. (TICKER: AUTR), BOUGHT 36,498 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 897,226.

-30- 317
#90318c0338 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 29,100 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90318c0339 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90318c0340 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 18,900 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90318c0341 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90318c0342 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 9,500 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90318c0343 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90318c0344 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, STUART A ROSE, CHAIRMAN OF AUDIO VIDEO AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: AVA), BOUGHT 8,200 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,283,018.

-30- 337
#90318c0346 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, RICHARD T DEWLING, DIR. OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c0347 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, RICHARD T DEWLING, DIR. OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c0348 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, RICHARD T DEWLING, DIR. OF AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: AWT), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,000.

-30- 339
#90318c0349 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, RALPH FALK II, DIR. OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $26.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,262,845.

-30- 320
#90318c0350 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, WARREN D JOHNSON, SHAREHOLDER OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 7,118 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,499.

-30- 334
#90318c0351 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, MELVYN R KALAS, VP OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 6,300 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0352 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, VERNON R LOUCKS JR, CHAIRMAN OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 13,203 SHARES AT $26.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 284,480.

-30- 333
#90318c0354 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PROTECT RESEARCH & DEVELPMNT LTD II, DIR. OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 19,800 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90318c0355 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PROTECT RESEARCH & DEVELPMNT LTD II, DIR. OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90318c0356 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PROTECT RESEARCH & DEVELPMNT LTD II, DIR. OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 13,500 SHARES AT $10.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90318c0357 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, PROTECT RESEARCH & DEVELPMNT LTD II, DIR. OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90318c0358 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, PROTECT RESEARCH & DEVELPMNT LTD II, DIR. OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 22,100 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90318c0359 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, PROTECT RESEARCH & DEVELPMNT LTD II, DIR. OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $9.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0360 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, PROTECT RESEARCH & DEVELPMNT LTD II, DIR. OF SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BEAM), SOLD 113,800 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90318c0362 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c0363 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90318c0364 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 275,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90318c0365 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c0366 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 26,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90318c0367 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 27,500 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90318c0368 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 419,250.

-30- 344
#90318c0370 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 341
#90318c0371 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 27,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347

#90318c0372 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 345
#90318c0373 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 26,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90318c0374 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 27,500 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90318c0375 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 419,250.

-30- 388
#90318c0376 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90318c0378 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 13,750 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90318c0379 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90318c0380 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 13,250 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90318c0381 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 13,750 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90318c0382 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 8,750 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 355,750.

-30- 383
#90318c0383 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 18,900 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90318c0384 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90318c0386 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 15,100 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90318c0387 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90318c0388 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90318c0389 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 425,100.

-30- 340
#90318c0390 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 18,900 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 341
#90318c0391 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90318c0392 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90318c0394 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90318c0395 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90318c0396 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 425,100.

-30- 383
#90318c0397 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 9,450 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90318c0398 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS

LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90318c0399 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90318c0400 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 7,550 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90318c0402 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90318c0403 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 22,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 371,100.

-30- 353
#90318c0404 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, HANSEN ANDREAS SCOTT, VP OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,400.

-30- 325
#90318c0405 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ROBERT W DECHERD, CHAIRMAN OF BELO (A.H.) CORP. (TICKER: BLC), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 542,613.

-30- 322
#90318c0406 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, PATRICK E THOMAS, VP OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 318
#90318c0407 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, SUSAN J ROSS, DIR. OF BENEFICIAL CORP. (TICKER: BNL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $35.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,540.

-30- 297
#90318c0408 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, GARY O MARINO, PRES. OF BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOCA), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,103,643.

-30- 331
#90318c0410 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, WALTER H HELMERICH III, DIR. OF BANKS OF MID-AMERICA INC. (TICKER: BOMA), SOLD 15,522 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,716.

-30- 341
#90318c0411 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, DIR. OF BAROID CORP. (TICKER: BRC), BOUGHT 436,800 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,945,169.

-30- 312
#90318c0412 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HOWARD J BUSH, VP OF BRENCO INC. (TICKER: BREN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 289
#90318c0413 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, EDWARD R ANDREJKO, VP OF BSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BSBN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,968.

-30- 310
#90318c0414 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WILLIAM C CRAINE, DIR. OF BSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BSBN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0415 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WILLIAM C CRAINE, DIR. OF BSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BSBN), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,653.

-30- 308
#90318c0416 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WILLIAM H RINCKER, PRES. OF BSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BSBN), BOUGHT 445 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,968.

-30- 312
#90318c0418 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, RANDALL D BARRON, DIR. OF COMMERCE BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: CBSH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90318c0419 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, WILLIAM R GRAHAM, DIR. OF C-COR ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: CCBL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 332
#90318c0420 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE CLOROX CO. (TICKER: CLX), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $32.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0421 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, HC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE CLOROX CO. (TICKER: CLX), BOUGHT 16,400 SHARES AT $33.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c0422 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, HC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE CLOROX CO. (TICKER: CLX), BOUGHT 41,700 SHARES AT $33.46 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c0423 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, HC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE CLOROX CO. (TICKER: CLX), BOUGHT 25,800 SHARES AT $33.14 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c0424 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, HC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE CLOROX CO. (TICKER: CLX), BOUGHT 16,300 SHARES AT $32.99 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c0426 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, HC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE CLOROX CO. (TICKER: CLX), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0427 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, HC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE CLOROX CO. (TICKER: CLX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,305,500.

-30- 327
#90318c0428 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CONSOLIDATED NG ALT THRIFT TRUST, TTEE OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), BOUGHT 9,620 SHARES AT $48.24 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90318c0429 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, WILLIAM D ETTER, PRES. OF CONSUL RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: CNSL), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,950.

-30- 324
#90318c0430 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, NICHOLAS R PETRY, DIR. OF COLORADO NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: COLC), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90318c0431 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, NICHOLAS R PETRY, DIR. OF COLORADO NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: COLC), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,700.

-30- 342
#90318c0432 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, WILLIAM F ZUENDT, DIR. OF 3COM CORP. (TICKER: COMS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,000.

-30- 298
#90318c0434 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, FRED J RUNK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHIQUITA BRANDS INTL INC. (TICKER: CQB), BOUGHT 163 SHARES AT $25.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,175.

-30- 344
#90318c0435 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, PHILIP J CERRO, DIR. OF CAL REP BANCORP. (TICKER: CRBI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,144.

-30- 306
#90318c0436 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JACK R BORSTING, DIR. OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 330
#90318c0437 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, GERALD I RICH, VP OF COAST SAVINGS FINANCIAL INC.

(TICKER: CSA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 320
#90318c0438 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JEFFREY R DAKE, OFFICER OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90318c0439 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JEFFREY R DAKE, OFFICER OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,000.

-30- 316
#90318c0440 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: CUE), BOUGHT 16,864 SHARES AT $11.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90318c0442 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, HERBERT M SHAYNE, DIR. OF C&S/SOVRAN CORP. (TICKER: CVN), BOUGHT 1,311 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90318c0443 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HERBERT M SHAYNE, DIR. OF C&S/SOVRAN CORP. (TICKER: CVN), BOUGHT 223 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 307
#90318c0444 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOHN E DODDRIDGE, DIV. OFFICER OF DANA CORP. (TICKER: DCN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,437.

-30- 317
#90318c0445 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, H FREDERICK CHRISTIE, DIR. OF DUCOMMUN INC.(DEL) (TICKER: DCO), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 315
#90318c0446 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JAMES M NOLAN, DIR. OF DSC COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: DIGI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 325
#90318c0447 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOHN S BATTLE JR, DIR. OF DOMINION BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: DMBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,248.

-30- 327
#90318c0448 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, GEORGE P SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0450 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GEORGE P SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0451 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GEORGE P SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 226,500.

-30- 325
#90318c0452 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, JOSE P SALAGUBANG, OFFICER OF DOWNEY SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOC. (TICKER: DSL), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90318c0453 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JOSE P SALAGUBANG, OFFICER OF DOWNEY SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOC. (TICKER: DSL), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90318c0454 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JOSE P SALAGUBANG, OFFICER OF DOWNEY SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOC. (TICKER: DSL), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,880.

-30- 351
#90318c0455 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, DEBBIE J BRANCH, DIR. OF EDISTO RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: EDS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 172,596.

-30- 317
#90318c0456 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ROBERT H TRAENKLE, DIR. OF EQUIMARK CORP. (TICKER: EQK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,400.

-30- 303
#90318c0458 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $29.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90318c0459 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90318c0460 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90318c0461 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $29.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90318c0462 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90318c0463 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0464 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0466 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90318c0467 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90318c0468 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 10,300 SHARES AT $28.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0469 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, E SYSTEMS ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90318c0470 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DAVID R TACKE, DIR. OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90318c0471 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DAVID R TACKE, DIR. OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90318c0472 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, DAVID R TACKE, DIR. OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $29.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90318c0474 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, HARRY L THURMON, OFFICER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), SOLD 1,900 SHARES AT $30.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0475 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, HARRY L THURMON, OFFICER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0476 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, HARRY L THURMON, OFFICER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0477 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, HARRY L THURMON, OFFICER OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,800.

-30- 312
#90318c0478 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), BOUGHT 1,340 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90318c0479 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), BOUGHT 13,451 SHARES AT $44.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0480 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $44.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90318c0482 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), BOUGHT 217 SHARES AT $42.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90318c0483 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), BOUGHT 5,429 SHARES AT $45.99 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90318c0484 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), BOUGHT 13,607 SHARES AT $42.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,197,309.

-30- 315
#90318c0485 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $44.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90318c0486 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, CATESBY C JONES, DIR. OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,000.

-30- 331
#90318c0487 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, CHARLES F BAYLOR, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST AMERICAN BANCORP. (OH) (TICKER: FASB), BOUGHT 733 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,568.

-30- 345
#90318c0488 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN S DUERR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN BANCORP. (OH) (TICKER: FASB), BOUGHT 735 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,926.

-30- 332
#90318c0490 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, MARK D GROSSI, PRES. OF FIRST AMERICAN BANCORP. (OH) (TICKER: FASB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 20,500.

-30- 338
#90318c0491 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, MARK D GROSSI, PRES. OF FIRST AMERICAN BANCORP. (OH) (TICKER: FASB), BOUGHT 4,357 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,927.

-30- 340
#90318c0492 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, DAN REINES, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN BANCORP. (OH) (TICKER: FASB), BOUGHT 735 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,546.

-30- 329
#90318c0493 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, A RUSSELL SCHMEISER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,472.

-30- 358
#90318c0494 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, LARRY D WARD, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,460.

-30- 322
#90318c0495 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, PAUL I DAVIS, OFFICER OF SANIFILL INC. (TICKER: FIL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 297

#90318c0496 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ALFRED C WARRINGTON IV, CHAIRMAN OF SANIFILL INC. (TICKER: FIL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,500.

-30- 320
#90318c0498 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, CHARLES G HORN, PRES. OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,260.

-30- 319
#90318c0499 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, CHRIS L KAMETCHES, VP OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,075.

-30- 321
#90318c0500 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, CHRIS L KAMETCHES, VP OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,052.

-30- 322
#90318c0501 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WILLIAM O STONE, VP OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,282.

-30- 316
#90318c0502 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, RICHARD S JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF FLAGLER BANK CORP. (TICKER: FLGL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 190,861.

-30- 325
#90318c0503 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, THRIFT SVGS ESOT FMC, BEN. OWNER OF FMC CORP. (TICKER: FMC), BOUGHT 7,077 SHARES AT $28.21 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90318c0504 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, THRIFT SVGS ESOT FMC, BEN. OWNER OF FMC CORP. (TICKER: FMC), SOLD 4,047 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90318c0506 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, WILBUR M FELTNER, CHAIRMAN OF F & M NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FMNT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,356.

-30- 324
#90318c0507 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, GEORGE L ROMINE, DIR. OF F & M NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FMNT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,888.

-30- 310
#90318c0508 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, FEDERAL MOGUL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FEDERAL-MOGUL CORP. (TICKER: FMO), BOUGHT 7,398 SHARES AT $15.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 306

#90318c0509 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, FEDERAL MOGUL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FEDERAL-MOGUL CORP. (TICKER: FMO), BOUGHT 10,789 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90318c0510 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, FEDERAL MOGUL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FEDERAL-MOGUL CORP. (TICKER: FMO), BOUGHT 1,257 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90318c0511 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, FEDERAL MOGUL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FEDERAL-MOGUL CORP. (TICKER: FMO), BOUGHT 2,943 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90318c0512 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, FEDERAL MOGUL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FEDERAL-MOGUL CORP. (TICKER: FMO), BOUGHT 11,600 SHARES AT $13.18 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90318c0514 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, THOMAS E KRAMER, OFFICER OF FOOTHILL INDEPENDENT BANCORP. (TICKER: FOOT), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,125.

-30- 348
#90318c0515 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, FREDERICK H FRUITMAN, DIR. OF FIND/SVP INC. (TICKER: FSVP), BOUGHT 18,179 SHARES AT $0.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,179.

-30- 313
#90318c0516 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, DANIEL A CHAPMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST FEDERAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: FTFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,044.

-30- 357
#90318c0517 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, BRADFORD R PRICE, VP OF FIRST FEDERAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: FTFC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,573.

-30- 327
#90318c0518 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, THOMAS W SCHINI, PRES. OF FIRST FEDERAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: FTFC), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c0519 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, THOMAS W SCHINI, PRES. OF FIRST FEDERAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: FTFC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,550.

-30- 333
#90318c0520 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 18, 1989, ANTON J CAMPANELLA, DIR. OF FOSTER WHEELER CORP. (TICKER: FWC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 317
#90318c0522 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, VICTOR POSNER, BEN. OWNER OF GUILFORD MILLS INC. (TICKER: GFD), BOUGHT 12,900 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 996,100.

-30- 327
#90318c0523 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, FRANCIS R MERCER, DIR. OF GREAT LAKES BANCORP. (TICKER: GLBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,578.

-30- 315
#90318c0524 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, WILLIAM R THOMAS, DIR. OF GLOBAL MARINE INC. (TICKER: GLM), SOLD 250 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,093.

-30- 307
#90318c0525 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, NOEL GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90318c0526 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, NOEL GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90318c0527 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, NOEL GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 26,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90318c0528 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, NOEL GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90318c0530 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, NOEL GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 7,800 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90318c0531 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, NOEL GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90318c0532 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, NOEL GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90318c0533 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, NOEL GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,237,700.

-30- 350
#90318c0534 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ANTHONY S GIORDANO, OFFICER OF OSHKOSH B'GOSH INC. (TICKER: GOSH), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,400.

-30- 330
#90318c0535 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, HAROLD TANNER, DIR. OF GROSSMAN'S INC. (TICKER: GROS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90318c0536 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, HAROLD TANNER, DIR. OF GROSSMAN'S INC. (TICKER: GROS), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90318c0538 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HAROLD TANNER, DIR. OF GROSSMAN'S INC. (TICKER: GROS), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,000.

-30- 304
#90318c0539 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 227,575.

-30- 330
#90318c0540 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, THOMAS H MULLER, OFFICER OF HBO & CO. (TICKER: HBOC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90318c0541 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, THOMAS H MULLER, OFFICER OF HBO & CO. (TICKER: HBOC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 305
#90318c0542 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, RONALD P GROEBE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HERITAGE FINANCIAL SVCS INC. (TICKER: HERS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,088.

-30- 358
#90318c0543 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, CHESTER STRANCZEK, DIR. OF HERITAGE FINANCIAL SVCS INC. (TICKER: HERS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,750.

-30- 338
#90318c0544 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, DOMINICK J VELO, DIR. OF HERITAGE FINANCIAL SVCS INC. (TICKER: HERS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90318c0546 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DOMINICK J VELO, DIR. OF HERITAGE FINANCIAL SVCS INC. (TICKER: HERS), SOLD 1,720 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,765.

-30- 334
#90318c0547 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JAMES C WEBB, VP OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF), SOLD 7,760 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,050.

-30- 307
#90318c0548 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOHN C BIEGLER, DIR. OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0549 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOHN C BIEGLER, DIR. OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,150.

-30- 320
#90318c0550 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ROBERT J DARNALL, DIR. OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $22.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,562.

-30- 322
#90318c0551 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ROBERT J DARNALL, DIR. OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 328
#90318c0552 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, MICHAEL A DELUCA, OFFICER OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90318c0554 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, RICHARD H HEADLEE, AFFILIATED PERSON OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,550.

-30- 353
#90318c0555 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ROBERT W MITCHELL, VP OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 318
#90318c0556 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, MICHAEL H MORGAN, OFFICER OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 325
#90318c0557 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, J THOMAS NELSON III, DIV. OFFICER OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,100.

-30- 344
#90318c0558 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, GORDON P OSLER, DIR. OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c0559 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, GORDON P OSLER, DIR. OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c0560 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GORDON P OSLER, DIR. OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC.

(TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,650.

-30- 321
#90318c0562 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, GORDON P OSLER, DIR. OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 325
#90318c0563 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JOSEPH W SAUNDERS, OFFICER OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c0564 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOSEPH W SAUNDERS, OFFICER OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 896.

-30- 328
#90318c0565 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, ANTONIA SHUSTA, DIV. OFFICER OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90318c0566 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ANTONIA SHUSTA, DIV. OFFICER OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 337

#90318c0567 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, THOMAS R FIDDLER, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90318c0568 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, THOMAS R FIDDLER, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,181.

-30- 304
#90318c0570 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ROLAND C KIZER JR, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), SOLD 1,600 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90318c0571 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ROLAND C KIZER JR, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 210,796.

-30- 302
#90318c0572 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JAMES H STONE, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90318c0573 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JAMES H STONE, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263

#90318c0574 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JAMES H STONE, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,000.

-30- 300
#90318c0575 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JAMES H STONE, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 3,040 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,357.

-30- 300
#90318c0576 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, RAYMOND F FARLEY, DIR. OF HARTMARX CORP. (TICKER: HMX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,500.

-30- 305
#90318c0578 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, GERALD L SHOTT, VP OF FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP. (TICKER: I), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,750.

-30- 323
#90318c0579 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, PETER R SCHNEIDER, VP OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP. (TICKER: IBM), SOLD 1,308 SHARES AT $108.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,396.

-30- 342
#90318c0580 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 10, 1990, ANDREW M ARCHIBALD, OFFICER OF INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ICSI), BOUGHT 650 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 650.

-30- 347
#90318c0581 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 10, 1990, ANDREW M ARCHIBALD, OFFICER OF INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ICSI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90318c0582 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 10, 1990, ANDREW M ARCHIBALD, OFFICER OF INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ICSI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 349
#90318c0583 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90318c0584 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90318c0586 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90318c0587 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN.

INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90318c0588 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90318c0589 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90318c0590 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90318c0591 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90318c0592 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,950.

-30- 346
#90318c0594 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ALBERT J CROSSON, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL GAME TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: IGAM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90318c0595 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ALBERT J CROSSON, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL GAME TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: IGAM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90318c0596 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ALBERT J CROSSON, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL GAME TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: IGAM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,000.

-30- 338
#90318c0597 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JAMES G FIFIELD, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL MULTIFOODS CORP. (TICKER: IMC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90318c0598 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LAWRENCE G OLSON, DIR. OF INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: IMTX), SOLD 10,600 SHARES AT $1.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90318c0599 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, LAWRENCE G OLSON, DIR. OF INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: IMTX), SOLD 16,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90318c0600 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LAWRENCE G OLSON, DIR. OF INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: IMTX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.91 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 605,000.

-30- 349
#90318c0602 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WIND POINT PARTNERS II LP, BEN. OWNER OF IN-STORE ADVERTISING INC. (TICKER: ISAN), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 904,231.

-30- 368
#90318c0603 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM G WOLFE, VP OF ITEL CORP. (TICKER: ITL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,566.

-30- 284
#90318c0604 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, FRANK COUZENS JR, DIR. OF JACOBSON STORES INC. (TICKER: JCBS), BOUGHT 325 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,400.

-30- 314
#90318c0605 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, FRED T JONES JR, PRES. OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90318c0606 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, FRED T JONES JR, PRES. OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90318c0607 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, FRED T JONES JR, PRES. OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,577,460.

-30- 334
#90318c0608 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOHN K MCQUADE, OFFICER OF JWP INC. (TICKER: JWP), SOLD 1,125 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,372.

-30- 297
#90318c0610 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, CONTRAN CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF KEYSTONE CONSOLIDATED INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: KES), BOUGHT 9,500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,911,633.

-30- 355
#90318c0611 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,533,911.

-30- 322
#90318c0612 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90318c0613 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90318c0614 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90318c0615 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,759.

-30- 322
#90318c0616 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JEROME A CHAZEN, CHAIRMAN OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0618 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90318c0619 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90318c0620 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90318c0621 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90318c0622 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90318c0623 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $8.84 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90318c0624 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ROMAN CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,800.

-30- 325
#90318c0626 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, BERTRAM W KLEIN, CHAIRMAN OF MID-AMERICA BANCORP. (TICKER: MAB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 111,780.

-30- 326

#90318c0627 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLIFFORD W SAWTELLE, OFFICER OF MESTEK INC. (TICKER: MCC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,500.

-30- 311
#90318c0628 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, THOMAS H CARTWRIGHT, OFFICER OF MARINE CORP. (IL) (TICKER: MCOR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 833.

-30- 320
#90318c0629 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, THOMAS H CARTWRIGHT, OFFICER OF MARINE CORP. (IL) (TICKER: MCOR), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,025.

-30- 319
#90318c0630 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0631 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90318c0632 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90318c0634 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90318c0635 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0636 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 85,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90318c0637 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0638 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 73,000 SHARES AT $7.92 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90318c0639 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 27,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90318c0640 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOHN R SIMPLOT, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0642 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, GORDON C SMITH, DIR. OF MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MCRN), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 311
#90318c0643 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ANDREW W MATHIESON, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.84 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,800.

-30- 316
#90318c0644 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 19, 1990, FREDERICK A POSTELLE, OFFICER OF MELVILLE CORP. (TICKER: MES), SOLD 180 SHARES AT $47.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 960.

-30- 307
#90318c0645 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOHN N BRINCAT, PRES. OF MERCURY FINANCE CO. (TICKER: MFN), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0646 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JOHN N BRINCAT, PRES. OF MERCURY FINANCE CO. (TICKER:

MFN), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $14.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 235,164.

-30- 322
#90318c0647 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JAMES A DOYLE, VP OF MERCURY FINANCE CO. (TICKER: MFN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,857.

-30- 310
#90318c0648 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, DAVID G KLING, OFFICER OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0650 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, DAVID G KLING, OFFICER OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0651 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, DAVID G KLING, OFFICER OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0652 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DAVID G KLING, OFFICER OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0653 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, DAVID G KLING, OFFICER OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 595,789.

-30- 313
#90318c0654 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RAYMOND L MILLER JR, DIR. OF MANHATTAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MLC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,329.

-30- 326
#90318c0655 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ALBERT W MERCK, DIR. OF MERCK & CO. (TICKER: MRK), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $81.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 141,880.

-30- 297
#90318c0656 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM H GATES III, CHAIRMAN OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $61.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90318c0658 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM H GATES III, CHAIRMAN OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $61.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90318c0659 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM H GATES III, CHAIRMAN OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 120,000 SHARES AT $61.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0660 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM H GATES III, CHAIRMAN OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $60.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90318c0661 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM H GATES III, CHAIRMAN OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $60.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90318c0662 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM H GATES III, CHAIRMAN OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $60.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000,620.

-30- 324
#90318c0663 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, WILLIAM H NEUKOM, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $63.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90318c0664 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, WILLIAM H NEUKOM, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $63.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90318c0666 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, WILLIAM H NEUKOM, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $63.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 133,515.

-30- 303

#90318c0667 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, BERNARD A EDISON, DIR. OF MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MTRC), BOUGHT 3,875 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 321
#90318c0668 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ALAN ADES, DIR. OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 297
#90318c0669 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ARTHUR J ETHIER, DIR. OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,400.

-30- 305
#90318c0670 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, PETER MCKANE, VP OF NICOLET INSTRUMENT CORP. (TICKER: NIC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90318c0671 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, PETER MCKANE, VP OF NICOLET INSTRUMENT CORP. (TICKER: NIC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90318c0672 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, PETER MCKANE, VP OF NICOLET INSTRUMENT CORP. (TICKER: NIC), BOUGHT 9,600 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90318c0674 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RICHARD D LEWIS, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: NLI), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90318c0675 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, RICHARD D LEWIS, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: NLI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90318c0676 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, RICHARD D LEWIS, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: NLI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0677 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, RICHARD D LEWIS, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: NLI), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90318c0678 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, RICHARD D LEWIS, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: NLI), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90318c0679 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, RICHARD D LEWIS, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: NLI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0680 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, RICHARD D LEWIS, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: NLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 987,713.

-30- 317
#90318c0682 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JAMES B SHERWOOD, CHAIRMAN OF ORIENT EXPRESS HOTELS INC. (TICKER: OEH), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c0683 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JAMES B SHERWOOD, CHAIRMAN OF ORIENT EXPRESS HOTELS INC. (TICKER: OEH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90318c0684 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JAMES B SHERWOOD, CHAIRMAN OF ORIENT EXPRESS HOTELS INC. (TICKER: OEH), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,427,085.

-30- 341
#90318c0685 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JAMES B BRIGGS, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), SOLD 72,786 SHARES AT $10.24 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90318c0686 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JAMES B BRIGGS, DIR. OF OUTBOARD MARINE CORP. (TICKER: OM), SOLD 18,300 SHARES AT $10.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO

110,590.

-30- 321
#90318c0687 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, DAVID M DEMBOWSKI, OFFICER OF ONBANCORP INC. (TICKER: ONBK), BOUGHT 625 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,183.

-30- 309
#90318c0688 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, GEORGE KONKOL, PRES. OF OPTELECOM INC. (TICKER: OPTC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 87,500.

-30- 302
#90318c0690 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ROBERT A LEVINSON, CHAIRMAN OF PANTEPEC INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PAN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90318c0691 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ROBERT A LEVINSON, CHAIRMAN OF PANTEPEC INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PAN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90318c0692 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ROBERT A LEVINSON, CHAIRMAN OF PANTEPEC INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PAN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c0693 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ROBERT A LEVINSON, CHAIRMAN OF PANTEPEC INTERNATIONAL

INC. (TICKER: PAN), BOUGHT 53,800 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90318c0694 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ROBERT A LEVINSON, CHAIRMAN OF PANTEPEC INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PAN), BOUGHT 29,200 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 353,100.

-30- 338
#90318c0695 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, LEWIS S EATON, DIR. OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90318c0696 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, GORDON F BRUNNER, VP OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 714 SHARES AT $81.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90318c0698 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, DUKE A ROHLIFFS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PLAYERS INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: PLAY), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 115,000.

-30- 349
#90318c0699 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, SILBERMAN B MORTON, DIR. OF PRESIDENTIAL LIFE CORP. (TICKER: PLFE), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,200.

-30- 322
#90318c0700 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, CHERYL L DANGELO, OFFICER OF PRIME MEDICAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PMSI), BOUGHT 17,469 SHARES AT $0.29 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,469.

-30- 332
#90318c0701 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GEORGE A DAVIDSON JR, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,408.

-30- 321
#90318c0702 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RODERIC H ROSS, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 304
#90318c0703 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MICHAEL H WEHRLE, OFFICER OF PRIMEENERGY CORP. (TICKER: PNRG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 317
#90318c0704 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90318c0706 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90318c0707 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WIRT D WALKER III, BEN. OWNER OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: PRZ), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 325,000.

-30- 344
#90318c0708 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, OBREN B GERICH, VP OF STORAGE PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: PSA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90318c0709 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, OBREN B GERICH, VP OF STORAGE PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: PSA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90318c0710 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, OBREN B GERICH, VP OF STORAGE PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: PSA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90318c0711 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, OBREN B GERICH, VP OF STORAGE PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: PSA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 315
#90318c0712 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, B WAYNE HUGHES, CHAIRMAN OF STORAGE PROPERTIES INC.

(TICKER: PSA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c0714 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, HARVEY LENKIN, PRES. OF STORAGE PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: PSA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 311
#90318c0715 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, EDWARD M ESBER JR, DIR. OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90318c0716 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, EDWARD M ESBER JR, DIR. OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90318c0717 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, EDWARD M ESBER JR, DIR. OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90318c0718 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, EDWARD M ESBER JR, DIR. OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90318c0719 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, EDWARD M ESBER JR, DIR. OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM),

SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 300
#90318c0720 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, STEVEN C WHEELWRIGHT, DIR. OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $15.97 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90318c0722 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JAMES DAVIS, OFFICER OF THE RAYMOND CORP. (TICKER: RAYM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 305
#90318c0723 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, PATRICK J MCMANUS, OFFICER OF THE RAYMOND CORP. (TICKER: RAYM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 306
#90318c0724 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, WILLIAM O STEINFORT, OFFICER OF THE RAYMOND CORP. (TICKER: RAYM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 315
#90318c0725 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, RON BERGER, CHAIRMAN OF RENTRAK CORP. (TICKER: RENT), SOLD 23,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90318c0726 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, RON BERGER, CHAIRMAN OF RENTRAK CORP. (TICKER: RENT), SOLD 5,685 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90318c0727 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RON BERGER, CHAIRMAN OF RENTRAK CORP. (TICKER: RENT), SOLD 24,315 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 339,537.

-30- 304
#90318c0728 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOSEPH A BONDI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF REPUBLIC HEALTH CORP. (TICKER: REPH), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,257.

-30- 345
#90318c0730 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, GREGORY H BROWNE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RAMSAY-HMO INC. (TICKER: RHMO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90318c0731 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, GREGORY H BROWNE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RAMSAY-HMO INC. (TICKER: RHMO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90318c0732 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, GREGORY H BROWNE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RAMSAY-HMO INC. (TICKER: RHMO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 332

#90318c0733 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, EUGENE E COVERT, DIR. OF ROHR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RHR), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 299
#90318c0734 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ROBERT G DALY, OFFICER OF ROHR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RHR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,118.

-30- 309
#90318c0735 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JAMES A GOINGS, OFFICER OF ROHR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RHR), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,168.

-30- 303
#90318c0736 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, K ROBERT HAHN, DIR. OF ROHR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RHR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 302
#90318c0738 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, A A MIKOLAJCZAK, OFFICER OF ROHR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RHR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,451.

-30- 318
#90318c0739 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, LEE F DRISCOLL JR, SHAREHOLDER OF RHONE-POULENC RORER INC. (TICKER: RPR), SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $60.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 2.

-30- 338
#90318c0740 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, RICHARD B ERWIN, OFFICER OF RYAN'S FAMILY STEAK HOUSES INC. (TICKER: RYAN), SOLD 8,837 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90318c0741 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 30,100 SHARES AT $25.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0742 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 26,800 SHARES AT $26.89 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0743 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 27,700 SHARES AT $26.02 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0744 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $25.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0746 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS,

ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 29,500 SHARES AT $25.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0747 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 28,300 SHARES AT $24.61 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0748 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 31,300 SHARES AT $24.11 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0749 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 31,400 SHARES AT $22.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0750 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 34,100 SHARES AT $22.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0751 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 31,000 SHARES AT $24.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0752 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS,

ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 28,500 SHARES AT $24.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0754 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 31,100 SHARES AT $23.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0755 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 30,400 SHARES AT $24.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0756 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 27,600 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0757 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 29,500 SHARES AT $25.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0758 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 29,700 SHARES AT $25.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0759 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS,

ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 28,700 SHARES AT $25.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0760 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 27,900 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0762 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 32,100 SHARES AT $23.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0763 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 30,700 SHARES AT $24.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c0764 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $5.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c0765 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90318c0766 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOHN LATSHAW, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO.

(TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 516,457.

-30- 333
#90318c0767 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, WILLIAM C ZEKAN, CHAIRMAN OF SCHULMAN (A.) INC. (TICKER: SHLM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 567,328.

-30- 321
#90318c0768 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, RICHARD SEITH GRAY, DIR. OF SIFCO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SIF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 304
#90318c0770 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ROBERT J MCNEILL, OFFICER OF SHARED MEDICAL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: SMED), SOLD 1,604 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,829.

-30- 340
#90318c0771 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WILLIAM K EASLEY, DIV. OFFICER OF SPRINGS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 329
#90318c0772 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JAMES F CORDES, DIR. OF SIMPSON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SMPS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,800.

-30- 303
#90318c0773 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, VICTOR F TALLEY, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,369.

-30- 329
#90318c0774 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, SUN CITY INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF SUN CITY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SNI), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90318c0775 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, SUN CITY INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF SUN CITY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SNI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 129,600.

-30- 356
#90318c0776 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MIGUEL A FLORES, OFFICER OF SENSORMATIC ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SNSR), SOLD 1,269 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90318c0778 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, GLENN R JONES, CHAIRMAN OF JONES SPACELINK LTD. (TICKER: SPLK), SOLD 1,211,752 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90318c0779 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GLENN R JONES, CHAIRMAN OF JONES SPACELINK LTD. (TICKER:

SPLK), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,045,674.

-30- 349
#90318c0780 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, GLENN R JONES, CHAIRMAN OF JONES SPACELINK LTD. (TICKER: SPLK), BOUGHT 1,211,752 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90318c0781 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, GLENN R JONES, CHAIRMAN OF JONES SPACELINK LTD. (TICKER: SPLK), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c0782 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GLENN R JONES, CHAIRMAN OF JONES SPACELINK LTD. (TICKER: SPLK), BOUGHT 1,000,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,249,612.

-30- 347
#90318c0783 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ROBERT G BENJAMIN, VP OF STONERIDGE RESOURCE INC. (TICKER: SRE), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,700.

-30- 320
#90318c0784 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, GARY S WOLF, VP OF STANFORD TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: STII), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,218.

-30- 332

#90318c0786 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GORDON E EUBANKS, PRES. OF SYMANTEC CORP. (TICKER: SYMC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 161,687.

-30- 310
#90318c0787 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ALFRED J STEIN, DIR. OF TANDY CORP. (TICKER: TAN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90318c0788 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, HENRY M WATTS JR, DIR. OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90318c0789 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, HENRY M WATTS JR, DIR. OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

-30- 300
#90318c0790 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1989, HENRY M WATTS JR, DIR. OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90318c0791 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1989, HENRY M WATTS JR, DIR. OF TERADYNE INC. (TICKER: TER), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,200.

-30- 302
#90318c0792 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, BERNARD W ROGERS, DIR. OF THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TII), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 305
#90318c0794 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, KIRBY C ADAMS, VP OF TREMONT CORP. (DE) (TICKER: TRE), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,451.

-30- 304
#90318c0795 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ANTHONY J ZUANICH, VP OF TRIAD SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: TRSC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,540.

-30- 314
#90318c0796 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ISAAC N SMITH JR, PRES. OF UNITED BANKSHARES INC. (WV) (TICKER: UBSI), BOUGHT 1,826 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 229,484.

-30- 337
#90318c0797 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, THOMAS J BENDER, VP OF UNIVERSAL HEALTH SERVICES INC. (TICKER: UHSI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0798 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, THOMAS J BENDER, VP OF UNIVERSAL HEALTH SERVICES INC.

(TICKER: UHSI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 325
#90318c0799 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, LAWRENCE C HOFF, DIR. OF THE UPJOHN CO. (TICKER: UPJ), SOLD 12,400 SHARES AT $36.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90318c0800 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, LAWRENCE C HOFF, DIR. OF THE UPJOHN CO. (TICKER: UPJ), SOLD 14,600 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90318c0802 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, LAWRENCE C HOFF, DIR. OF THE UPJOHN CO. (TICKER: UPJ), SOLD 13,528 SHARES AT $37.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,114.

-30- 300
#90318c0803 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JACK J JACKSON, OFFICER OF THE UPJOHN CO. (TICKER: UPJ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 298
#90318c0804 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, MICHAEL MARGOLIES, CHAIRMAN OF US TRANSPORTATION SYS INC. (TICKER: USTS), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,637,487.

-30- 347
#90318c0805 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, NORMAN S EDELCUP, DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,400.

-30- 292
#90318c0806 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 55,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0807 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0808 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0810 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90318c0811 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 21,200 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0812 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 18,300 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0813 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0814 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0815 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c0816 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0818 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0819 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC.
(TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0820 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC.
(TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 79,700 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0821 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC.
(TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 9,100 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c0822 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC.
(TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 50,800 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0823 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALHI INC.
(TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 260,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90318c0824 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0826 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0827 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0828 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0829 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0830 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0831 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC.
(TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0832 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0834 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0835 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0836 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0837 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0838 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0839 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0840 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0842 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,763,514.

-30- 329
#90318c0843 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0844 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0845 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0846 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0847 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c0848 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0850 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0851 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0852 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0853 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c0854 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,908,914.

-30- 325
#90318c0855 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0856 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0858 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0859 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270

#90318c0860 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0861 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0862 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0863 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0864 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0866 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 270

#90318c0867 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0868 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0869 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0870 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0871 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0872 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270

#90318c0874 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0875 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0876 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0877 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0878 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90318c0879 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270

#90318c0880 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0882 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0883 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0884 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90318c0885 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,908,914.

-30- 314
#90318c0886 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, J BROOKS GUNDERSON, VP OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,888.

-30- 318
#90318c0887 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GARY L VOLLMAR, OFFICER OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,400.

-30- 306
#90318c0888 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DOUGLAS W DILLMAN, DIR. OF THE WALTHAM CORP. (TICKER: WLBK), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 305
#90318c0890 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, NORMAN J PATTIZ, CHAIRMAN OF WESTWOOD ONE INC. (TICKER: WONE), BOUGHT 70,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,076,300.

-30- 325
#90318c0891 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, THOMAS B PITCHER, OFFICER OF WAUSAU PAPER MILLS CO. (TICKER: WSAU), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,850.

-30- 344
#90318c0892 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, KAREN S HOLCOMB, OFFICER OF WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE INC. (TICKER: WWW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,550.

-30- 332
#90318c0893 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, TIMOTHY J ODONOVAN, SHAREHOLDER OF WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE INC. (TICKER: WWW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,850.

-30- 346
#90318c0894 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, HAROLD B WATSON, VP OF WILLIAMS (W.W.) CO. (TICKER: WWWM), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 304
#90318c0895 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ALEXANDER MENKE, DIR. OF YES CLOTHING CO. (TICKER: YSCO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 307
#90318c0896 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT J NIELSON OF 46 WEST 300 SOUTH, SUITE 235, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84101, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF AMERALIA INC. (TICKER: AALA) THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(AMERALIA INC. TEL: 801 596-2622)

-30- 411
#90318c0898 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLAYTON D WOOD OF 600 SOUTH CHERRY, SUITE 105, DENVER, CO 80222, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH FIRST CHOICE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-7330)

-30- 415
#90318c0899 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L T SANDS OF 951 VIA LOS PADRES, SANTA BARBARA, CA 93111, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,546 SHARES OF W.C.W. WESTERN CANADA WATER ENTE (TICKER: WCWE) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(W.C.W. WESTERN CANADA WATER ENTE TEL: 604 681-3445)

-30- 459
#90318c0900 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH TINIANOW OF 1076 JASMINE ST, DENVER, CO 80220, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH FIRST CHOICE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-7330)

-30- 407
#90318c0901 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW MAKRIDES OF P O BOX 768, 0, STONY BROOK, NY 11790, HAS FILED TO SELL 52,000 SHARES OF AN-CON GENETICS INC. (TICKER: ANCN) THROUGH INVESTORS ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(AN-CON GENETICS INC. TEL: 516 694-8470)

-30- 417
#90318c0902 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DENNIS S MCGUIRE OF 10360 MELODY DR, NORTHGLENN, CO 80221, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CINE-SOURCES INC. (TICKER: FILM) THROUGH FIRST CHOICE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(CINE-SOURCES INC. TEL: 818 509-7330)

-30- 412
#90318c0903 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVD J DWYER OF 1150 HENNEPIN AVE SOUTH, 0, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55403, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,333 SHARES OF CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CFER) THROUGH R J STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 303 237-5151)

-30- 444
#90318c0904 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK W CANRIGHT OF 28641 JAEGER DR, LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA 92677, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,168 SHARES OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(EXABYTE CORP. TEL: 303 442-4333)

-30- 401
#90318c0906 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS D SEGE OF 29 EUGENIA LANE, WOODSIDE, CA 94062, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: VAR) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC. TEL: 415 493-4000)

-30- 419
#90318c0907 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STATE SAVINGS BANK SH TRUST #1 OF 36 EAST GAY ST, COLUMBUS, OH 43215, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,000 SHARES OF BUCKEYE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BCKY) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(BUCKEYE FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 614 225-2100)

-30- 461
#90318c0908 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELEANORE PACEY OF 1201 HAWKINS WAY, PEBBLE BCH, CA 93953, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 275-1444)

-30- 410
#90318c0909 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEROME V LABARBERA OF 805 NORTH MASON RD, ST LOUIS, MO 63141, HAS FILED TO SELL 33,000 SHARES OF ENGINEERED SUPPORT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EASI) THROUGH BURNS PAULI & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(ENGINEERED SUPPORT SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 314 993-5880)

-30- 458
#90318c0910 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD A GALANTI OF 1800 BELLEVUE WAY NE, BELLEVUE, WA 98004, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 429
#90318c0911 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LESLIE W PHILLIPS OF 5635 OVERLAND PASS, 0, PEORIA, IL 61607, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF KEYSTONE CONSOLIDATED INDUSTRIES (TICKER: KES) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(KEYSTONE CONSOLIDATED INDUSTRIES TEL: 214 458-0028)

-30- 457
#90318c0912 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DESERT ARIZONA PARTNERSHIP OF 6401-B NORTH CAMPBELL, TUSCON, AZ 85718, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HB) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 812 934-7000)

-30- 451
#90318c0914 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROGER M MARINO OF 115 LAKE STREET, SHERBOURNE, MA 01770, HAS FILED TO SELL 90,000 SHARES OF EMC CORP. (MA) (TICKER: EMC) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(EMC CORP. (MA) TEL: 508 435-1000)

-30- 400
#90318c0915 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RODGER B DOWDELL OF 180 LEGEND ROCK RD, WAKEFIELD, RI 02879, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. TEL: 401 789-5735)

-30- 454
#90318c0916 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD L SCHREUDER OF 98 ROBINHOOD DR, NOVATO, CA 94945, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: HRDG) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. TEL: 415 892-0821)

-30- 432
#90318c0917 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAT VITACOLONNA OF 19541 SUMMER BREEZE LANE, 0, HUNTINGTON BCH, CA 92646 HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF FHP INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FHPC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(FHP INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 714 963-7233)

-30- 434
#90318c0918 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD M FURLAUD OF 12 POND VIEW DR, PLAINSBORO, NJ 08536, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,000 SHARES OF BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB CO. (TICKER: BMY) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB CO. TEL: 212 546-4000)

-30- 439
#90318c0919 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREDERICK T HONGJOO OF 1209 ORANGE ST, COUNTY OF NEW CASTLE, WILMINGTON, DE 19801, HAS FILED TO SELL 39,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED LOGIC RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: AALR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(ADVANCED LOGIC RESEARCH INC. TEL: 714 581-6770)

-30- 466
#90318c0920 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TAN K SIONG OF 1209 ORANGE ST, COUNTY OF NEW CASTLE, WILMINGTON, DE 19801, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,700 SHARES OF ADVANCED LOGIC RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: AALR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(ADVANCED LOGIC RESEARCH INC. TEL: 714 581-6770)

-30- 456
#90318c0922 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WESLEY LUTKEN JR GRANTOR TRUST OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. (TICKER: CHL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. TEL: 713 236-4503)

-30- 451
#90318c0923 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WESLEY LUTKEN JR GRANTOR TRUST OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,417 SHARES OF CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. (TICKER: CHL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. TEL: 713 236-4503)

-30- 453
#90318c0924 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD V SCHMIDT OF 501 E MIDDLEFIELD RD, MT VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 28,000 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 452
#90318c0925 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - POMEROY ROBERT L TRUST OF 8920 PERSHALL RD, HAZELWOOD, MO 63042, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(WETTERAU INC. TEL: 314 524-5000)

-30- 412
#90318c0926 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - F B & SONS ROOKE OF P O BOX 7, WOODSBORO, TX 78393, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,813 SHARES OF MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. (TICKER: MCFE) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. TEL: 213 944-0181)

-30- 418
#90318c0927 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOLT JULIANNA H FAMILY INVMTS OF 10425 S PAINTER AVE, SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,975 SHARES OF MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. (TICKER: MCFE) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. TEL: 213 944-0181)

-30- 463
#90318c0928 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY DELCORP II INC. OWNS 923,271 SHARES (10.70%) OF BTR REALTY INC. (TICKER: BTRI) OF LINTHICUM, MARYLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 1, 1990, Delcorp II Inc. sold 100,000 shares in a private transaction in connection with the reacquisition by Northern Pacific of certain of its outstanding debt. Northern Pacific has been given the right to reacquire the BTR shares until July 31, 1991, at $2.25 each. The previously reported pledge of 800,000 shares by Delcorp II has been terminated.

-30- 698
#90318c0930 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY BARISTON PAGING PARTNERS LP OWNS 12,841,207 SHARES (29.38%) OF PAGE AMERICA GROUP CORP. INC. (TICKER: PAGEC) OF HACKENSACK, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Bariston Paging Partners LP bought 100,000 shares of series A cumulative preferred stock, plus a warrant to purchase 8.1 million common shares at $.70 a share. The warrant and the preferred stock were purchased for $10 million. On Oct. 9, the shares formerly held by Buckthorn Associates were distributed to its partners in liquidation.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of securities to permit recapitalization of the company.

-30- 802
#90318c0931 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 13, 1990, Ferris Wheel Associates LP, which is controlled by Carl Icahn, caused the purchase of 300 shares at $31.88 per share for the account

of J. Pound, pursuant to a committee member agreement of the same date, as part of an honorarium for his or her commitment to serve as a member of the USX Shareholders Enhancement Committee, established by Icahn to address issues facing the company. The Icahn group holds an aggregate of 33,918,600 shares, representing 13.3 percent. J. Pound has agreed to stand as a nominee for election to the board of USX Corp. at the 1991 election.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J. Pound purchased 1,500 shares on Nov. 13, 1990 for $31.88 per share.

-30- 896
#90318c0932 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY C.C. ICAHN OWNS 33,918,600 SHARES (13.30%) OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 13, 1990, Carl Icahn send a letter to the chairman of the board of USX Corp. stating that he intends to sponsor and fund an independent, five member, committee, the USX Shareholders Enhancement Committee, whose members will act as a liaison between the board and the shareholders of USX Corp. and who will serve as nominees for election to the board at the 1991 annual meeting. Each member of the committee has executed a member agreement agreeing to serve on the committee and the board of USX Corp. Each member has received an honorarium of 300 shares of USX Corp. from Ferris Wheel Associates LP.

-30- 931
#90318c0933 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY H.J. GREENFIELD OWNS 1,042,953 SHARES (35.00%) OF JENNIFER CONVERTIBLES INC. (TICKER: JENN) OF PARAMUS, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 405

#90318c0934 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY W.S. FRIEDMAN OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 1,882,414 SHARES (21.80%) OF NATIONAL REALTY LP (TICKER: NLP) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 10, 1990 through Oct. 26, 1990, W.S. Friedman purchased 68,300 shares at a price of $3.63 to $4 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment and to better align the interests of the general partner of SAMLP with unitholders of the Partnership.

-30- 609
#90318c0935 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 2, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. received $5,290,530 in cash in exchange for their 619,500 preferred class A shares in a tender offer effected at $8.54 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Sept. 21, 1990 Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 17,200 shares at a price of $79.50 per share and from Oct. 9 through Nov. 1, 1990 sold 26,500 shares at a price of $8.25 to $8.54 per share.

-30- 598
#90318c0936 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 20

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 636,796 SHARES (47.29%) OF LYNCH CORPORATION (TICKER: LGL) OF GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 12 through Nov. 8, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. sold 13,500 common shares at a price of $12.95 to $18.43 per share; and, from Sept. 10 through Nov. 6, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 82 convertible bonds at a price of $72 to $83 per bond and sold 31 convertible bonds at a price of $74 to $75 per bond.

-30- 693
#90318c0938 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY REGAN HOLDING CORP. OWNS 566,193 SHARES (75.20%) OF LIFESURANCE CORP (TICKER: LICO) OF PETALUMA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Regan Holding Corp. purchased 566,193 common shares for $4 million cash, plus $4 million worth of newly issued preferred stock of Regan Holding Corp., which plans to sell life insurance and annuity products through the life insurance subsidiaries of the company.

PURPOSE:

Regan Holding Corp. is acquiring stock in the company to obtain control.

-30- 699
#90318c0939 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY BOMARKO INC. OF PLYMOUTH, INDIANA OWNS 1,536,400 SHARES (9.60%) OF INTL TELECHARGE INC (TICKER: ITI) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 26 to Oct. 1, 1990, Bomarko Inc. bought 349,700 shares at $1.03 to $1.18 each.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares for investment.

-30- 505
#90318c0940 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

P.D. LAMASNEY OWNS 806,400 SHARES (17.70%) OF SOFTGUARD SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SFTG) OF SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

P.D. Lamasney acquired his shares in exchange for common stock of Smallframe Systems Inc., at a rate of one Smallframe share for each 300 shares of the company.

PURPOSE:

Amendment of stock purchase agreement and plan of reorganization.

-30- 583
#90318c0941 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY H.R. PENNY TRUST DATED 8/7/85 OWNS 484,500 SHARES (10.65%) OF SOFTGUARD SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: SFTG) OF SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

H.R. Penny Trust Dated 8/7/85 acquired its' company shares in exchange for common stock of Smallframe Systems Inc. at a rate of one Smallframe share for 300 company shares.

PURPOSE:

Amendment of stock purchase agreement and plan of reorganization.

-30- 627
#90318c0942 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Robert M. Chefitz, a designee of A. Patricof Associates Inc. who is serving on the company's board, sought unsuccessfully to have the composition of the board altered to include greater shareholder representation and was unable to have his views expressed in the company's proxy statement. On Nov. 9, Chefitz sent a letter to company chairman Sheldon Langer, explaining his views.

-30- 614
#90318c0943 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

PACHOLDER ASSOC INC. OF CINCINNATI, OHIO OWNS 4,745,171 SHARES (33.70%) OF ICO INC. (TICKER: ICOC) OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pacholder Assoc. has proposed that the company's board be expanded from six to seven members and that Asher O. Pacholder be appointed to fill the vacancy.

-30- 487
#90318c0944 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, J.E. WILSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AUTO CHEK CENTERS INC. SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.51 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101,155.

-30- 328
#90318c0946 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, J.K. AMSBAUGH, PRES. OF NOBEL INSURANCE LTD. (TICKER: NOBL), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $2.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90318c0947 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 4, 1990, J.K. AMSBAUGH, PRES. OF NOBEL INSURANCE LTD. (TICKER: NOBL), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,000.

-30- 317
#90318c0948 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 11, 1990, H.L. ANTHONY IV, OFFICER AND DIR. OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC.(TICKER: URIX) SOLD 16,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 556,157.

-30- 345
#90318c0949 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, K.L. BIDDLE, VP OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX) SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 348,172.

-30- 313
#90318c0950 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, C.M. GOLDMAN, DIR. OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90318c0951 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, C.M. GOLDMAN, DIR. OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,600.

-30- 290
#90318c0952 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, J.D. GIRSCH, DIR. OF WHEELABRATOR TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: WTI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $32.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 333
#90318c0954 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ROBERT S JANICKI, SHAREHOLDER OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES

(TICKER: ABT), SOLD 17,066 SHARES AT $41.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90318c0955 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ROBERT S JANICKI, SHAREHOLDER OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES (TICKER: ABT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,068.

-30- 335
#90318c0956 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, BRIAN K MEIKLE, OFFICER OF AMERICAN BARRICK RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: ABX), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,040.

-30- 346
#90318c0957 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JACK R DAUGHERTY, DIR. OF AMERICAN CREDIT OPTICAL INC. (TICKER: ACOI), SOLD 205,333 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 265,068.

-30- 356
#90318c0958 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, RONALD E PUNKAR, OFFICER OF ADVANCED ENVIRONMENTAL RECYCLING TECH INC. (TICKER: AERT), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 369
#90318c0959 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, CESAR E GARCIA, DIR. OF AMERICAN FAMILY CORP. (TICKER: AFL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,000.

-30- 318
#90318c0960 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, THOMAS R BEECHER JR, DIR. OF ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: AIN), SOLD 17,200 SHARES AT $9.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90318c0962 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, PAUL BRAINERD, PRES. OF ALDUS CORP. (TICKER: ALDC), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90318c0963 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, PAUL BRAINERD, PRES. OF ALDUS CORP. (TICKER: ALDC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90318c0964 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, PAUL BRAINERD, PRES. OF ALDUS CORP. (TICKER: ALDC), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90318c0965 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PAUL BRAINERD, PRES. OF ALDUS CORP. (TICKER: ALDC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90318c0966 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PAUL BRAINERD, PRES. OF ALDUS CORP. (TICKER: ALDC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90318c0967 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PAUL BRAINERD, PRES. OF ALDUS CORP. (TICKER: ALDC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90318c0968 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PAUL BRAINERD, PRES. OF ALDUS CORP. (TICKER: ALDC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,242,500.

-30- 301
#90318c0970 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, DAVID G ELLER, DIR. OF AMERICAN NATIONAL PETROLEUM CO.(DE) (TICKER: ANPC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90318c0971 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, DAVID G ELLER, DIR. OF AMERICAN NATIONAL PETROLEUM CO.(DE) (TICKER: ANPC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90318c0972 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, DAVID G ELLER, DIR. OF AMERICAN NATIONAL PETROLEUM CO.(DE) (TICKER: ANPC), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $2.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90318c0973 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, DAVID G ELLER, DIR. OF AMERICAN NATIONAL PETROLEUM CO.(DE) (TICKER: ANPC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90318c0974 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DAVID G ELLER, DIR. OF AMERICAN NATIONAL PETROLEUM CO.(DE) (TICKER: ANPC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,500.

-30- 345
#90318c0975 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, SHARON C CASTLE, OFFICER OF AQUANAUTICS CORP. (TICKER: AQNT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 321
#90318c0976 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, EUGENE APPLEBAUM, CHAIRMAN OF ARBOR DRUGS INC. (TICKER: ARBR), SOLD 95,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,586,279.

-30- 325
#90318c0978 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, SPENCER M PARTRICH, DIR. OF ARBOR DRUGS INC. (TICKER: ARBR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90318c0979 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, SPENCER M PARTRICH, DIR. OF ARBOR DRUGS INC. (TICKER: ARBR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90318c0980 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, SPENCER M PARTRICH, DIR. OF ARBOR DRUGS INC. (TICKER:

ARBR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90318c0981 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, SPENCER M PARTRICH, DIR. OF ARBOR DRUGS INC. (TICKER: ARBR), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90318c0982 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, SPENCER M PARTRICH, DIR. OF ARBOR DRUGS INC. (TICKER: ARBR), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90318c0983 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, SPENCER M PARTRICH, DIR. OF ARBOR DRUGS INC. (TICKER: ARBR), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 317
#90318c0984 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, R PARK NEWTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ASSIX INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: ASIX), SOLD 6,200 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c0986 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, R PARK NEWTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ASSIX INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: ASIX), SOLD 14,800 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90318c0987 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, R PARK NEWTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ASSIX INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: ASIX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90318c0988 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, R PARK NEWTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ASSIX INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: ASIX), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c0989 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, R PARK NEWTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ASSIX INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: ASIX), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c0990 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, R PARK NEWTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ASSIX INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: ASIX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,707,518.

-30- 342
#90318c0991 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, R PARK NEWTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ASSIX INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: ASIX), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c0992 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ERIC D CARLSON, OFFICER OF ASK COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ASKI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 333
#90318c0994 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, SANDRA L KURTZIG, CHAIRMAN OF ASK COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ASKI), BOUGHT 75,300 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,328,775.

-30- 343
#90318c0995 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, MEL SCHNELL, DIR. OF ANDOVER TOGS INC. (TICKER: ATOG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90318c0996 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MEL SCHNELL, DIR. OF ANDOVER TOGS INC. (TICKER: ATOG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90318c0997 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MEL SCHNELL, DIR. OF ANDOVER TOGS INC. (TICKER: ATOG), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,620.

-30- 305
#90318c0998 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 12,800 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90318c0999 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, BLACKSTONE GROUP HOLDINGS L P, BEN. OWNER OF BLACKSTONE INCOME TRUST INC. (TICKER: BKT), BOUGHT 7,200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 245,200.

-30- 376
#90318c1000 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c1002 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c1003 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c1004 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c1005 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 18,750 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90318c1006 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,340,225.

-30- 326
#90318c1007 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c1008 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c1010 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c1011 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c1012 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 625,475.

-30- 326
#90318c1013 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c1014 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c1015 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c1016 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c1018 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c1019 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c1020 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c1021 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 18,750 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90318c1022 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c1023 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c1024 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90318c1026 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90318c1027 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c1028 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c1029 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,277,600.

-30- 333
#90318c1030 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, MICHAEL L FEINBERG, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90318c1031 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, MICHAEL L FEINBERG, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90318c1032 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, MICHAEL L FEINBERG, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 316
#90318c1034 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ALAN HENRICKS, VP OF BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BORL), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 314
#90318c1035 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, SPENCER A LEYTON, OFFICER OF BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BORL), SOLD 15,784 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c1036 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, SPENCER A LEYTON, OFFICER OF BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BORL), SOLD 6,900 SHARES AT $20.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90318c1037 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, KENNETH L EDLOW, OFFICER OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 564,477.

-30- 338
#90318c1038 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, CHARLES M DIKER, DIR. OF BEAUTICONTROL COSMETICS INC. (TICKER: BUTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1039 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, PETER G SCHIFF, DIR. OF CELLULAR INFORMATION SYS INC. (TICKER: CALL), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90318c1040 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PETER G SCHIFF, DIR. OF CELLULAR INFORMATION SYS INC. (TICKER: CALL), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 337
#90318c1042 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90318c1043 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90318c1044 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90318c1045 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90318c1046 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324

#90318c1047 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90318c1048 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GRACE W R & CO CONN, BEN. OWNER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,432,220.

-30- 365
#90318c1050 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, MORTON A COHN, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $5.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90318c1051 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MORTON A COHN, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 182,500 SHARES AT $6.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90318c1052 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MORTON A COHN, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 42,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90318c1053 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, MORTON A COHN, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 65,500 SHARES AT $6.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 601,398.

-30- 299
#90318c1054 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, LOUIS I GLADSTONE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,548.

-30- 388
#90318c1055 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, LOUIS I GLADSTONE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 2,250 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 87,798.

-30- 388
#90318c1056 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JAMES P SCHWARTZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 387
#90318c1058 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JAMES L MOORE, OFFICER OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,256.

-30- 324
#90318c1059 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, HAROLD H ROBINSON III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 14,900 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90318c1060 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, HAROLD H ROBINSON III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90318c1061 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, HAROLD H ROBINSON III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 3,900 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,911.

-30- 351
#90318c1062 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, J RICHARD LEAMAN JR, SHAREHOLDER OF CHURCH & DWIGHT CO. (TICKER: CHD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,840.

-30- 334
#90318c1063 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE CO, BEN. OWNER OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), SOLD 80,825 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,908,225.

-30- 378
#90318c1064 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 28, 1989, HAROLD D FRIEND, PRES. OF CONTINENTAL TYRE LTD. (TICKER: CLTL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c1066 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, HAROLD D FRIEND, PRES. OF CONTINENTAL TYRE LTD. (TICKER: CLTL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 283

#90318c1067 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, HAROLD D FRIEND, PRES. OF CONTINENTAL TYRE LTD. (TICKER: CLTL), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $0.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c1068 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HAROLD D FRIEND, PRES. OF CONTINENTAL TYRE LTD. (TICKER: CLTL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,500.

-30- 323
#90318c1069 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, SUN EQUITIES CORP, BEN. OWNER OF COMPUTER MEMORIES INC. (TICKER: CMIN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c1070 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, SUN EQUITIES CORP, BEN. OWNER OF COMPUTER MEMORIES INC. (TICKER: CMIN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,729,500.

-30- 340
#90318c1071 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, BARBARA W SNELLING, DIR. OF CHITTENDEN CORP. (TICKER: CNDN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,574.

-30- 314
#90318c1072 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BARBARA W SNELLING, DIR. OF CHITTENDEN CORP. (TICKER: CNDN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90318c1074 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, BARBARA W SNELLING, DIR. OF CHITTENDEN CORP. (TICKER: CNDN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90318c1075 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOHN P SQUIRES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 350
#90318c1076 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN P SQUIRES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,430,000.

-30- 355
#90318c1077 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, VINCENT R ZURAWSKI, VP OF CENTOCOR INC. (TICKER: CNTO), SOLD 22,000 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101,800.

-30- 306
#90318c1078 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, FREDRICK O PAULSELL JR, DIR. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c1079 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, FREDRICK O PAULSELL JR, DIR. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 268,474.

-30- 330
#90318c1080 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JAMES D SINEGAL, PRES. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90318c1082 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JAMES D SINEGAL, PRES. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $35.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 969,482.

-30- 324
#90318c1083 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MALCOLM J FIELDING, DIR. OF CANADIAN PACIFIC LTD. (TICKER: CP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c1084 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MALCOLM J FIELDING, DIR. OF CANADIAN PACIFIC LTD. (TICKER: CP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90318c1085 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MALCOLM J FIELDING, DIR. OF CANADIAN PACIFIC LTD. (TICKER: CP), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,300.

-30- 325

#90318c1086 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 17,600 SHARES AT $42.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90318c1087 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $41.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90318c1088 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), SOLD 129 SHARES AT $42.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90318c1090 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $42.74 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90318c1091 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 9,300 SHARES AT $42.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90318c1092 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $42.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 338

#90318c1093 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 17,825 SHARES AT $42.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90318c1094 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 1,150 SHARES AT $42.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90318c1095 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $42.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90318c1096 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $42.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90318c1098 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 11,917 SHARES AT $43.43 PER SHARE.

-30- 344
#90318c1099 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 1,168 SHARES AT $43.43 PER SHARE.

-30- 342

#90318c1100 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 8,358 SHARES AT $43.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,814,428.

-30- 384
#90318c1101 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, BEN. OWNER OF CONTROL RESOURCES INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRIX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90318c1102 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, BEN. OWNER OF CONTROL RESOURCES INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRIX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 775,500.

-30- 350
#90318c1103 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, BEN. OWNER OF CONTROL RESOURCES INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRIX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 349
#90318c1104 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, BEN. OWNER OF CONTROL RESOURCES INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRIX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.83 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 772,500.

-30- 350
#90318c1106 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MICHAEL L HACKWORTH, PRES. OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER:

CRUS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 252,737.

-30- 321
#90318c1107 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JOHN F ROCKART, DIR. OF COMSHARE INC. (TICKER: CSRE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 302
#90318c1108 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JOHN F ROCKART, DIR. OF COMSHARE INC. (TICKER: CSRE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 302
#90318c1109 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, RAYBURN S DEZEMBER, DIR. OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $20.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,600.

-30- 301
#90318c1110 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, KENNETH D SEATON, CHAIRMAN OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,671.

-30- 328
#90318c1111 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOSEPH PY, CHAIRMAN OF DIMENSIONAL VISIONS GROUP LTD. (TICKER: DVGL), SOLD 20,760 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,969,240.

-30- 337
#90318c1112 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90318c1114 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90318c1115 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90318c1116 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90318c1117 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90318c1118 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90318c1119 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90318c1120 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c1122 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90318c1123 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90318c1124 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90318c1125 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WMS INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 567,359.

-30- 322

#90318c1126 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, NORMAN E BRINKER, CHAIRMAN OF CHILI'S INC. (TICKER: EAT), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,400.

-30- 314
#90318c1127 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JOHN J REILLY, CHAIRMAN OF ELECTRO KINETIC SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EKSI), SOLD 85,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90318c1128 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JOHN E ROOKS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ELECTRO KINETIC SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EKSI), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,000.

-30- 356
#90318c1130 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOHN E PIPPIN, CHAIRMAN OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90318c1131 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOHN E PIPPIN, CHAIRMAN OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.54 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90318c1132 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOHN E PIPPIN, CHAIRMAN OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 82,089.

-30- 341
#90318c1133 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, HENRY NELSON CHRISTIANSEN, DIR. OF EVANS & SUTHERLAND COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: ESCC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90318c1134 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, HENRY NELSON CHRISTIANSEN, DIR. OF EVANS & SUTHERLAND COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: ESCC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 355
#90318c1135 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOHN J CAREY, DIR. OF ESCO ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: ESE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 315
#90318c1136 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, D HEBDEN PORTEUS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRST HAWAIIAN INC. (TICKER: FHWN), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,279,506.

-30- 356
#90318c1138 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, LARRY COSTELLO, PRES. OF AGROLIFE CORP. (TICKER: FICO), BOUGHT 37,500 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 152,500.

-30- 307
#90318c1139 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, HAROLD L BRAKE, DIR. OF FINANCIAL TRUST CORP. (TICKER: FITC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,945.

-30- 318
#90318c1140 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DALE F DORN, DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), SOLD 5,542 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,813.

-30- 303
#90318c1141 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOHN D PETERSON, DIR. OF FORUM GROUP INC. (TICKER: FOUR), BOUGHT 73,588 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90318c1142 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOHN D PETERSON, DIR. OF FORUM GROUP INC. (TICKER: FOUR), SOLD 68,000 SHARES AT $0.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 111,596.

-30- 316
#90318c1143 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JAMES M BAHIN, OFFICER OF FUQUA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FQA), SOLD 1,087 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90318c1144 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JAMES M BAHIN, OFFICER OF FUQUA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FQA), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 303

#90318c1146 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90318c1147 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JAMES H HERBERT II, PRES. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 170,300.

-30- 336
#90318c1148 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GARY COVAULT, SHAREHOLDER OF FRETTER INC. (TICKER: FTTR), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90318c1149 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GARY COVAULT, SHAREHOLDER OF FRETTER INC. (TICKER: FTTR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90318c1150 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, GARY COVAULT, SHAREHOLDER OF FRETTER INC. (TICKER: FTTR), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90318c1151 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GARY COVAULT, SHAREHOLDER OF FRETTER INC. (TICKER: FTTR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90318c1152 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, GARY COVAULT, SHAREHOLDER OF FRETTER INC. (TICKER: FTTR), SOLD 24,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,500.

-30- 313
#90318c1154 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ERIVAN K HAUB, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $44.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90318c1155 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ERIVAN K HAUB, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $43.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,216,700.

-30- 363
#90318c1156 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, WARENHANDELSG TENGELMANN, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $45.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90318c1157 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, WARENHANDELSG TENGELMANN, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $44.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90318c1158 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WARENHANDELSG TENGELMANN, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $43.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,214,000.

-30- 376
#90318c1159 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, BENNO C SCHMIDT, DIR. OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,333.

-30- 327
#90318c1160 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, GENERAL MOTORS SVGS TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 3,807,364 SHARES AT $36.85 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90318c1162 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, GENERAL MOTORS SVGS TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 26,380 SHARES AT $18.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90318c1163 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90318c1164 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90318c1165 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 2,800 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90318c1166 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90318c1167 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 3,600 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90318c1168 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 9,900 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90318c1170 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90318c1171 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 8,500 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90318c1172 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90318c1173 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 20,200 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90318c1174 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,040,000.

-30- 354
#90318c1175 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MICHAEL C HAWLEY, VP OF THE GILLETTE CO. (TICKER: GS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $58.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,600.

-30- 299
#90318c1176 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HOLCOMBE T GREEN JR, DIR. OF HBO & CO. (TICKER: HBOC), SOLD 135,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90318c1178 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, HAROLD M MESSMER JR, DIR. OF HEALTH CARE PROPERTY INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: HCP), SOLD 8,500 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314

#90318c1179 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, HAROLD M MESSMER JR, DIR. OF HEALTH CARE PROPERTY INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: HCP), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,900.

-30- 353
#90318c1180 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ANDREW J MASSIMILLA, OFFICER OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HENP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 338
#90318c1181 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, KIRK W FOLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HEALTH-MOR INC. (TICKER: HMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 223,755.

-30- 330
#90318c1182 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, KIRK W FOLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HEALTH-MOR INC. (TICKER: HMI), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 320
#90318c1183 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HOMI B PATEL, DIV. OFFICER OF HARTMARX CORP. (TICKER: HMX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,788.

-30- 315
#90318c1184 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, H R DEAN, VP OF HOUSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HOU), SOLD 3,437 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,187.

-30- 296
#90318c1186 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RALPH D DENUNZIO, DIR. OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 301
#90318c1187 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JEFFREY E CURTISS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HERITAGE MEDIA CORP. (TICKER: HTG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,000.

-30- 346
#90318c1188 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JOHN F SONDEREGGER, VP OF IMCERA GROUP INC. (TICKER: IMA), SOLD 2,810 SHARES AT $55.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,285.

-30- 311
#90318c1189 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, FRED B CHANEY, DIR. OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,400.

-30- 303
#90318c1190 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, INTERGRAPH STK BONUS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF INTERGRAPH CORP. (TICKER: INGR), SOLD 2,668 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90318c1191 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, INTERGRAPH STK BONUS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF INTERGRAPH CORP. (TICKER: INGR), SOLD 4,002 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90318c1192 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOHN G LOHMANN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INVESTORS SAVINGS CORP. (TICKER: INVS), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $4.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 104,500.

-30- 350
#90318c1194 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 5,896 SHARES AT $19.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c1195 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 15,800 SHARES AT $19.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1196 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 47,888 SHARES AT $19.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1197 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 61,800 SHARES AT $19.61 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1198 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 50,059 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1199 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, KIMBERLY CLARK EMPLOYEE PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF KIMBERLY-CLARK CORP. (TICKER: KMB), BOUGHT 7,150 SHARES AT $70.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90318c1200 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, KIMBERLY CLARK EMPLOYEE PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF KIMBERLY-CLARK CORP. (TICKER: KMB), BOUGHT 13,300 SHARES AT $72.84 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90318c1202 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WILLIAM R NEWLIN, DIR. OF KENNAMETAL INC. (TICKER: KMT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 305
#90318c1203 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DOLPH BRISCOE JR, DIR. OF LOMAS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LFC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,000.

-30- 321
#90318c1204 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM F MCNAGNY, DIR. OF LINCOLN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289

#90318c1205 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM F MCNAGNY, DIR. OF LINCOLN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LFIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,394.

-30- 327
#90318c1206 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $20.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1207 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 10,200 SHARES AT $21.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1208 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 13,700 SHARES AT $21.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1210 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90318c1211 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $21.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1212 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1213 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 11,600 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1214 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1215 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $19.96 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1216 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $19.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1218 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1219 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $20.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1220 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $20.58 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1221 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $20.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1222 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $19.83 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1223 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES AT $19.51 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1224 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, LOWES CO ESOP WACHOVIA BK, BEN. OWNER OF LOWE'S COS. (TICKER: LOW), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90318c1226 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 120,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90318c1227 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 32,500 SHARES AT $6.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1228 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 115,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90318c1229 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90318c1230 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1231 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c1232 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c1234 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c1235 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c1236 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 16,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1237 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c1238 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 16,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1239 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1240 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1242 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c1243 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 33,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1244 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $5.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1245 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1246 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c1247 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c1248 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 55,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1250 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 21,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1251 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c1252 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c1253 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 10,800 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1254 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c1255 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90318c1256 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1258 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, RONALD A FISCHMAN, BEN. OWNER OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,400.

-30- 331
#90318c1259 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN C CARVETH, OFFICER OF MENTOR GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MENT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,366.

-30- 325
#90318c1260 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 09, 1990, 1980 STENBECK TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MILLICOM INC. (TICKER: MILL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c1261 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 10, 1990, 1980 STENBECK TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MILLICOM INC. (TICKER: MILL), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90318c1262 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 11, 1990, 1980 STENBECK TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MILLICOM INC. (TICKER: MILL), SOLD 9,500 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90318c1263 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 12, 1990, 1980 STENBECK TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MILLICOM INC. (TICKER: MILL), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,337,058.

-30- 333
#90318c1264 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, W JOHN DRISCOLL, DIR. OF MIP PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: MIP), BOUGHT 8,600 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90318c1266 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, W JOHN DRISCOLL, DIR. OF MIP PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER:

MIP), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90318c1267 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, W JOHN DRISCOLL, DIR. OF MIP PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: MIP), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90318c1268 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, W JOHN DRISCOLL, DIR. OF MIP PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: MIP), BOUGHT 4,900 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,686.

-30- 319
#90318c1269 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, MICHAEL I SCHNEIDER, DIR. OF MICROCOM INC. (TICKER: MNPI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,252.

-30- 311
#90318c1270 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, MODINE MANUF CO ESOIP, BEN. OWNER OF MODINE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: MODI), BOUGHT 33,963 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90318c1271 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, MODINE MANUF CO ESOIP, BEN. OWNER OF MODINE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: MODI), SOLD 23,017 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,646,804.

-30- 360
#90318c1272 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1989, NATHAN MYHRVOLD, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $81.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90318c1274 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, DONALD J GEHB, PRES. OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CMNTY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NCCB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,045.

-30- 353
#90318c1275 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, BARBARA J FORAN, OFFICER OF NFS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: NFSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600.

-30- 318
#90318c1276 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, CHARLES M DIKER, DIR. OF NEUTROGENA CORP. (TICKER: NGNA), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 434,808.

-30- 311
#90318c1277 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, O WALTER RENFFTLEN, VP OF NUVEEN MUN ADVANTAGE FD INC. (TICKER: NMA), BOUGHT 9,100 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90318c1278 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, O WALTER RENFFTLEN, VP OF NUVEEN MUN ADVANTAGE FD INC. (TICKER: NMA), BOUGHT 5,900 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 336
#90318c1279 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, DARCY G MOTT, OFFICER OF NOVELL INC. (TICKER: NOVL), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 298
#90318c1280 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, FRED KALANTARI, OFFICER OF NORTH STAR UNIVERSAL INC. (TICKER: NSRU), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,400.

-30- 333
#90318c1282 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, EDWARD H COOLEY, CHAIRMAN OF PRECISION CASTPARTS CORP. (TICKER: PCP), SOLD 90,000 SHARES AT $31.10 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90318c1283 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, EDWARD H COOLEY, CHAIRMAN OF PRECISION CASTPARTS CORP. (TICKER: PCP), SOLD 15,200 SHARES AT $30.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,550,426.

-30- 338
#90318c1284 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, EDWARD H COOLEY, CHAIRMAN OF PRECISION CASTPARTS CORP. (TICKER: PCP), SOLD 24,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,533,926.

-30- 338
#90318c1285 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, JOHN J GLEASON, CHAIRMAN OF PINNACLE BANC GRP INC. (TICKER: PINN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 204,518.

-30- 333
#90318c1286 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, POWELL CHILDREN'S TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL), SOLD 65,200 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,358,220.

-30- 346
#90318c1287 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, POWELL CHILDREN'S TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL), SOLD 32,600 SHARES AT $7.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,423,420.

-30- 346
#90318c1288 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, POWELL TESTAMENTARY TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL), SOLD 30,950 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 854.

-30- 344
#90318c1290 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, BCE INC, BEN. OWNER OF QUEBECOR INC. (TICKER: PQB), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90318c1291 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, BCE INC, BEN. OWNER OF QUEBECOR INC. (TICKER: PQB), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,074,300.

-30- 297
#90318c1292 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, VICTOR F KEEN, OFFICER OF RESEARCH FRONTIERS INC. (TICKER: REFR), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,600.

-30- 328
#90318c1293 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, LOWELL C FREIBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RELIANCE GROUP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: REL), SOLD 125,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,000.

-30- 365
#90318c1294 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, HENRY A LAMBERT, VP OF RELIANCE GROUP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: REL), SOLD 170,600 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 332
#90318c1295 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ROCKWELL INTL CORP ESP, BEN. OWNER OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), BOUGHT 410,401 SHARES AT $23.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90318c1296 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMBOL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $8.02 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90318c1298 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMBOL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90318c1299 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMBOL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 62,200 SHARES AT $7.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90318c1300 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMBOL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,849,834.

-30- 357
#90318c1301 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JAMES F LYONS, VP OF SEALED AIR CORP. (TICKER: SEE), SOLD 9,971 SHARES AT $20.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,100.

-30- 298
#90318c1302 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, IRENE S WISCHER, DIR. OF SERVICE FRACTURING CO. (TICKER: SERF), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90318c1303 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, IRENE S WISCHER, DIR. OF SERVICE FRACTURING CO. (TICKER: SERF), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,725.

-30- 314
#90318c1304 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, WARREN V MUSSER, CHAIRMAN OF SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC. (TICKER: SFE), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90318c1306 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, WARREN V MUSSER, CHAIRMAN OF SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC. (TICKER: SFE), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1307 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, WARREN V MUSSER, CHAIRMAN OF SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC. (TICKER: SFE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1308 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WARREN V MUSSER, CHAIRMAN OF SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC. (TICKER: SFE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1309 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, WARREN V MUSSER, CHAIRMAN OF SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC. (TICKER: SFE), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 511,366.

-30- 337
#90318c1310 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JAMES M VANN, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 294

#90318c1311 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, MICHAEL M CLAIR, OFFICER OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90318c1312 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, MICHAEL M CLAIR, OFFICER OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,564.

-30- 344
#90318c1314 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, PETER S CROSS, OFFICER OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 10,500 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90318c1315 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, PETER S CROSS, OFFICER OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 93,948.

-30- 338
#90318c1316 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN S LEWIS, DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90318c1317 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOHN S LEWIS, DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,280.

-30- 331
#90318c1318 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ANDREW K LUDWICK, PRES. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 4,800 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c1319 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ANDREW K LUDWICK, PRES. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 25,200 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90318c1320 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ANDREW K LUDWICK, PRES. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90318c1322 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM J RUEHLE, VP OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90318c1323 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM J RUEHLE, VP OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 7,700 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,348.

-30- 333
#90318c1324 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, RONALD V SCHMIDT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SYNOPTICS

COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 5,900 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90318c1325 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, RONALD V SCHMIDT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 14,300 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90318c1326 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, RONALD V SCHMIDT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 19,800 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 658,000.

-30- 365
#90318c1327 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RONALD AZZOLINA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90318c1328 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, RONALD AZZOLINA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,036.

-30- 344
#90318c1330 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, BERT A GETZ, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90318c1331 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, BERT A GETZ, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90318c1332 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BERT A GETZ, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 315
#90318c1333 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BERT A GETZ, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,900.

-30- 313
#90318c1334 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOHN P SINGLETON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,244.

-30- 353
#90318c1335 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, MARTIN W SPECTOR, CHAIRMAN OF SPEC'S MUSIC INC. (TICKER: SPEK), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,438.

-30- 324
#90318c1336 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, LANE K COUNTS, OFFICER OF SUN SPORTSWEAR INC. (TICKER: SSPW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 319
#90318c1338 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, DOUGLAS E EBERT, PRES. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,200.

-30- 322
#90318c1339 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, CASTLE W JORDAN, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 320
#90318c1340 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, H DODSON MATHIAS, VP OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90318c1341 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JAMES W MCLAMORE, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,900.

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#90318c1342 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, CHARLES J ZWICK, CHAIRMAN OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 129,111.

-30- 332
#90318c1343 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, LESLIE J RACEY, DIR. OF SUMMAGRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: SUGR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 312
#90318c1344 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HAROLD F MACHADO, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SILICON VALLEY GROUP INC. (TICKER: SVGI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 357
#90318c1346 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GLENN R OXNER, DIR. OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 298
#90318c1347 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, PAUL EICHLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE IMAGE BANK INC. (TICKER: TIBI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 331
#90318c1348 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ROBERT J LEIDICH, SHAREHOLDER OF TREMONT CORP. (DE) (TICKER: TRE), SOLD 15,119 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90318c1349 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, CHARLES R TRIMBLE, PRES. OF TRIMBLE NAVIGATION LTD. (TICKER: TRMB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,692,907.

-30- 334
#90318c1350 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, KENDRICK B MELROSE, OFFICER OF THE TORO CO. (TICKER: TTC), BOUGHT 1,517 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90318c1351 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, KENDRICK B MELROSE, OFFICER OF THE TORO CO. (TICKER: TTC), BOUGHT 387 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90318c1352 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, KENDRICK B MELROSE, OFFICER OF THE TORO CO. (TICKER: TTC), BOUGHT 627 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 86,754.

-30- 305
#90318c1354 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE CO, BEN. OWNER OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $26.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,423,700.

-30- 350
#90318c1355 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY STARSUN INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP LP OWNS 1,360,000 SHARES (9.41%) OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG) OF MIAMI, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The number of American Bankers Insurance Group Inc. shares outstanding has

changed.

-30- 471
#90318c1357 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GROUP LED BY STARCHILD INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP LP OWNS 32,475,715 SHARES (63.40%) OF KINDER CARE LEARNING CENTERS INC (TICKER: KIND).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The number of Kinder-Care Learning Centers Inc. shares outstanding has changed.

-30- 448
#90318c1358 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

B. Manishewitz Co.(TICKER: MZBC) announced in a Nov. 13, 1990 press release that it had received an amended complaint against the company concerning the offer. A hearing with respect to a motion for a preliminary injunction is scheduled for Nov. 19, 1990.

-30- 471
#90318c1359 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

J.M. DAVIS OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 1,798,851 SHARES (5.90%) OF MEDICIS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP (TICKER: MDRX) OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 30 through 31, 1990, J.M. Davis purchased 5,100 units at a price of $5.69 to $6 per unit and sold 8,100 units at a price of $6 to $6.75 per unit.

-30- 518
#90318c1360 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY P.E. MALLOY III OWNS 304,000 SHARES (9.78%) OF NEW YORK BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NYBC) OF DOUGLASTON, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 9, 1990, Malloy and McManus entered into an agreement, dated as of Nov. 9, 1990, with the company pursuant to which Malloy and McManus have been named to the four-person executive and nominating committees of the company's board of directors. The executive committee will be co-chaired by Malloy and Martin Dehler. Also, the agreement provides that Malloy and McManus will be named to the board of directors of the company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Home Federal Savings Bank. Malloy and McManus agreed to vote their shares of common stock in favor of the board's three nominees, Dehler, Robert Simms and Peter Goodson, for election to the board at the 1991 annual meeting and to vote their shares for the nominees selected by the nominating committee at the 1992 annual meeting. Malloy and McManus will not conduct a proxy contest but will take necessary steps to dismiss their lawsuit against the company. The company will not oppose Malloy and McManus seeking regulatory approval to increase their aggregate ownership of common stock up to 20 percent of the outstanding shares and the company will revise the bank's charter after such approval has been obtained.

PURPOSE:

Agreement, dated Nov. 9, 1990.

-30- 1596
#90318c1361 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 6,436,714 SHARES (9.55%) OF UNITED ARTISTS ENTERTAINMENT CO (TICKER: UAEC).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 11, 1990 through Nov. 8, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc., et all purchased 601,350 shares at a price of $10 to $12.38 per share and sold 60,347 at a price of $10 to $13 per share.

-30- 560

#90318c1363 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 464,700 SHARES (11.50%) OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX) OF NEEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 29 through Oct. 31, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 47,500 shares at a price of $24 to $24.58 per share.

-30- 441

#90318c1364 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 3,950,400 SHARES (8.77%) OF US SHOE CORP. (TICKER: USR) OF CINCINNATI, OHIO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 31, 1990, FMR Corp. sold 475,000 shares at a price of $7.97 per share.

-30- 404

#90318c1365 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

FMR CORP. OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 310,361 SHARES (7.77%) OF PERINI CORP. (TICKER: PCR) OF FRAMINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 6, 1990 through Nov. 2, 1990, FMR Corp. sold 57,018 shares at a price of $8.12 to $17.25 per share.

-30- 444

#90318c1366 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

FMR CORP. OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 4,425,400 SHARES (9.83%) OF US SHOE CORP.(TICKER: USR) OF CINCINNATI, OHIO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 22 through Oct. 30, 1990, FMR Corp. sold 500,000 shares at a price of $7.61 to $8.24 per share and purchased 12,000 shares at a price of $8.38 per share.

-30- 493
#90318c1367 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 22, 1990, a lawsuit, Alan R. Kahn, Trustee v. The B. Manischewitz Co., (TICKER: MZBC) et al., Case No. 199216, was filed in the Court of Common Pleas Cuyahoga County, Ohio, in connection with the merger and on Nov. 9, 1990, the complaint in such lawsuit was amended. A hearing on the plaintiff's motion for a preliminary injunction in the lawsuit has been scheduled for Monday, Nov. 19 1990.

-30- 630
#90318c1368 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY R.J. AVILA OWNS 242,500 SHARES (7.40%) OF LEISURE CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: LCIC) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 2, 1990 R.J. Avila et al. sold 7,500 shares at $2.38 per share. Between Oct. 24, 1990 and Nov. 7, 1990 R.J. Avila et al. purchased 51,500 shares at $2.03 to $2.75 each.

-30- 527
#90318c1369 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 350,000 SHARES (5.10%) OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: COFI) OF CLEVELAND, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 410
#90318c1371 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY BAUPOST LP 1983 A-1 OF CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 1,058,445 SHARES (9.50%) OF ESCO ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: ESE) OF ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Baupost LP 1983 A-1, et al. acquired 384,500 shares from Oct. 30 to Sept. 9, 1990 for $2.80 to $3.74 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 544
#90318c1372 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY R.P. MINNICK OWNS 5,785,511 SHARES (27.50%) OF COMPONENTGUARD INC. (TICKER: PLUG) OF VALHALLA, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.P. Minnick, et al. have formed a group and have entered into an agreement which contemplates WHC's acquisition by merger of the outstanding shares of Componentguard Inc. for $.50 per share. On Nov. 7, 1990, WHC submitted by letter a bid to acquire Componentguard Inc. by merger. Friedl is the managing director of Ascent Holding A.G., which in July 1990 purchased from Componentguard Inc. $1.5 million in notes convertible into 3 million shares and a warrant to purchase an additional 3 million shares for $.50 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

R.P. Minnick, et al. purchased 452,511 shares from Sept. 13 to Nov. 5, 1990 for $.35 to $.41 per share.

PURPOSE:

Possible acquisition.

-30- 1057
#90318c1373 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY WG PARTNERS LP OWNS 1,811,606 SHARES (30.73%) OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT) OF WABASH, INDIANA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Signal and the Shirt Shed Inc. announced on Oct. 30, 1990 that they had commenced discussions concerning a proposal by Signal to enter into a negotiated transaction pursuant to which all the Shirt Shed Inc.'s shares, would be purchased by Signal for $4 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

WG Partners LP, et al. purchased 15,000 shares on Oct. 9, 1990 for $2.94 to $3 per share and 150,000 shares on Nov. 1, 1990 for 3.38 per share.

-30- 781
#90318c1374 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

PHARMATEC INC OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA OWNS 196,575 SHARES (4.50%) OF INNOVET INC. (TICKER: IVET) OF BOCA RATON, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pharmatec currently owns 17,700 unregistered shares of the Company's common stock and the currently exercisable warrant to purchase 178,875 shares of common stock. Pharmatec has no contractual or other arrangement with Dr. Stern regarding the voting or disposition of the 84,035 shares he owns.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 17 through Oct. 22, 1990, Pharmatec sold 46,500 shares at a price of $0.94 per share.

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#90318c1375 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

R.M. FRIEDLAND OWNS 3,748,515 SHARES (8.20%) OF GALACTIC RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: GLC) OF VANCOUVER, BC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 2, 1990, Mr. Friedland resigned as Vice Chairman and as a Director of Galactic Resources Ltd. The beneficially-owned shares include: 109,900 shares held by Mrs. Friedland to which Mr. Friedland disclaims beneficial ownership; 1,000,000 shares subject to purchase from Galactic Resources LTD. under a currently exercisable option; and 150,000 shares owned by Ivanhoe Capital Corp. and 200,000 shares subject to purchase from Galactic Resources LTD. pursuant to currently exercisable warrants owned by Ivanhoe Capital Corp.

-30- 870

#90318c1376 11/14/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

IMETAL OWNS 7,023,040 SHARES (28.63%) OF CSC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CPSL) OF WARREN, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Imetal note became exchangeable on or after Jan. 1, 1990 into shares of common stock at an initial exchange price of $3 in principal amount for one share of common stock. On Nov. 9, 1990, Imetal entered into a first amendment to the note purchase agreement, dated as of Nov. 7, 1990, with the Company and the Steel Company pursuant to which Imetal agreed to exchange $3,000,000 principal amount of the Imetal Note for 2,400,000 shares of common stock at a price of $1.25 principal amount for each share of common stock. The consummation of the exchange is conditioned upon: the simultaneous closing of the transactions provided for under a subscription agreement, dated Nov. 7, 1990, by and between the Company and Daido Steel Co. Ltd. pursuant to which the Company agreed to issue and sell to Daido 5,840,000 shares of common stock for $7,300,000; the sale by CSC of common stock to one or more persons for an

aggregate purchase price of not less than $7,200,000 and at a per share purchse price equal to $1.25; and the filing by the Company of a certificate of amendment to its "charter amendment" to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 20,000,000 to 50,000,000 with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware. According to a press release issued Nov. 8, 1990, the charter amendment was approved at a special meeting held on Nov. 7, 1990. The first amendment may be terminated by any or the parties if the exchange of a portion of the Imetal Note is not consummated on or before March 31, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

-30- 1907
#90318c1377 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD. OWNS 310,361 SHARES (7.77%) OF PERINI CORP. (TICKER: PCR) OF FRAMINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90318c1379 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

BENGT KULLER OWNS 747,500 SHARES (4.90%) OF BALDWIN TECHNOLOGY CO. INC. (TICKER: BLD) OF ROWAYTON, CONNECTICUT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Company's annual meeting of stockholders is scheduled to be held on Nov. 20, 1990. Pursuant to a letter dated Nov. 6, 1990, Bengt Kuller agreed to sell and the Company agreed to purchase 300,000 shares of class A common stock for $4 per share, net payable to Bengt Kuller, which transaction is to be settled Nov. 13, 1990. On Nov. 6, 1990, Bengt Kuller ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the issued and outstanding shares of class A common stock.

-30- 829
#90318c1380 11/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) COMTEX - N.J.-based Digital Solutions Inc. (TICKER: DGSI) has acquired X-L Technical Corp., a New York company that provides contract personnel to businesses in greater New York and New Jersey, in exchange for 300,000 of its common shares, plus a finder's fee of 150,000 shares, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 14, 1990.

-30- 606
#90318d0280 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 14) - U.S. Vice President Dan Quayle urged Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu Wednesday to make concessions to overcome an impasse in the Uruguay Round of global trade talks, Japanese officials said.

The officials said Mr. Quayle appealed for the opening of the virtually closed Japanese rice market, the main area of contention between Tokyo and Washington in the stalled talks due to end next month.

Mr. Quayle also handed a letter to Mr. Kaifu from President George Bush seeking Japanese cooperation in successfully concluding the four-year round being held under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

"The conclusion must be successful," Mr. Quayle later told a news conference. "The Cold War must not be replaced by a trade war."

But he also said that Japanese subsidies to rice farmers were only one of several "contentious issues outstanding." Others included U.S. subsidies for sugar and dairy farmers and European subsidies for other products, he said.

The appeal to the Japanese premier coincided with pledges of renewed efforts by the United States and the European Economic Community (EEC) to break the deadlock in the Uruguay Round.

Mr. Bush, who discussed the issue with Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti and EEC president Jacques Delors in Washington Tuesday, said the two sides "pledged to make every effort to ensure the round concludes successfully."

Mr. Quayle, visiting Japan for the enthronement of Emperor Akihito, said he also repeated to Mr. Kaifu Washington's wish for a Japanese "presence" in the Gulf.

"As Japan has achieved economic superpower status, there are certain global responsibilities that go with that," he said. "We are not going to detail what

that presence would be."

Mr. Quayle described the Japanese contribution of four billion dollars to multinational forces in the Gulf as an "adequate reponse" and a "very valuable and needed asset to resolve this international crisis."

"But we anticipate that Japan will be doing more," he said, adding, "Everyone will have to be doing more."

Mr. Quayle also said that efforts by former Japanese premier Yasuhiro Nakasone and others to secure the release of hostages in Iraq were "counterproductive" although he understood their humanitarian motives.

"Saddam Hussein wants to appear benevolent in releasing hostages," he said. "That is simply despicable."

-30- 2641

#90318d0390 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 14) - Japan's trade surplus shrank 30.4 percent from a year earlier to 3.2 billion dollars in October and was also down sharply from 7.7 billion dollars in September, the Finance Ministry said Wednesday.

Exports rose 15.8 percent to 26.6 billion dollars while imports leapt 27.6 percent to 23.4 billion dollars, the ministry said in a preliminary report.

Japan's trade surplus with the United States was 3.7 billion dollars. Exports climbed 6.8 percent to 8.4 billion dollars while imports from the country jumped 15.3 percent to 4.7 billion dollars.

The trade surplus with Asia was 1.7 billion dollars. Exports to non-communist Asian nations soared 27.2 percent to 8.6 billion dollars while imports from the region advanced 19.6 percent to 6.9 billion dollars.

The surplus with the European Economic Community (EEC) was 1.6 billion dollars. Exports to the EEC rose 19.4 percent to 4.8 billion dollars while imports from the 12 nations surged 36.2 percent to 3.2 billion dollars, the ministry said.

-30- 1203

#90318d0660 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 14) - Japan's estimated imports of foreign cars in 1990 were revised downward to 230,000 units from an initial projection of over 240,000, Japan Automobile Importers Association officials said Wednesday.

They attributed the downward revision mainly to higher rates on car loans and the shortage of parking lots in the Tokyo metropolitan area.

They also predicted a slowdown in the growth rate of car imports in 1991 to between 10 and 15 per cent, following 30 per cent rises over four straight years due to the yen's advance against the dollar which reduced yen-denominated car prices.

Sales of imported cars in 1989 totaled 182,168 units, up 35.2 per cent from the previous year.

-30- 895

#90318d0680 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 14) - Standard and Poors Inc. said Wednesday it would probably lower its credit rating for Japan's Kyowa Bank Ltd. following its announcement of a merger with Saitama Bank Ltd.

"At this time the most likely outcome seems the lowering of Kyowa's ratings to the same level as Saitama's current ratings," the Japanese unit of the U.S. rating agency said, announcing a review of the ratings of both banks.

The proposed merger, announced Tuesday, will create Japan's ninth-biggest bank with assets of more than 33 trillion yen (258 billion dollars).

The agency said the rating review had negative implications for Kyowa, the smaller but more profitable of the two, but positive implications for Saitama. Kyowa's certificates of deposit are currently rated "AA-minus" to "A-1-plus" while those issued by Saitama carry a lower rating of "A-plus" to "A-1."

"Saitama's recent financial results have suffered from squeezed profitability, mainly reflecting the decline of securities-related income.

"Although Kyowa's performance has been the best of the second-tier city banks, the current difficult environment is also gradually harming its profitability " the agency said in a statement.

"In the early stages of the merger, substantial overlaps could aggravate the problem of excess overheads. Furthermore," it added, "increased funding costs from further deregulation of retail deposit rates will hurt profitability."

In the long term, however, the merger "has the potential to create a profitable bank with a strong retail base in the Tokyo metropolitan area."

-30- 1794

#90318d0700 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 14) - Japanese business failures rose 9.7 percent to 531 cases in October from a year earlier, ending a 69-month consecutive year-on-year decline, Tokyo Shoko Research Ltd. said Wednesday.

The figure represented a 21.7 percent rise from September, with the total liabilities amounting to 150.1 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars), up 48.2 per cent from a year ago and 64.6 percent from September, the leading private credit research agency said.

Agency officials said companies that depend heavily on loans have been hit hard by the rising interest rates, and worsening labor shortages have also played a major role.

Of the total, company failures stemming from labor shortage accounted for 51 cases, up 11 cases from September.

It also said the number of real estate companies which went bankrupt totaled 38 cases, the largest for this year because of sluggish sales due to higher rates on housing loans.

-30- 1109

#90318d1000 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV. 14) - Dozens of West Berlin firms are sending their mail from East Berlin, discovering that they can save 50 pfennigs (35 cents) per letter, the Berliner Morgenpost reported Wednesday.

The habit is worrying the Deutsche Bundespost, the German post office, in the runup to the Christmas period, when millions of greetings cards are mailed.

The price differential stems from pre-unification, when East German mail, heavily subsidised by the authorities, cost consumers in the German Democratic Republic only half as much as in the Federal Republic.

The Bundespost has scheduled price increases next year in the former territory of East Germany to help make up the gap.

"The Bundespost has lost a million marks (680,000 dollars) in our district alone," said Guenter Herrath, director of the sorting centre in Berlin-Mitte, a part of the city centre that lies in East Berlin.

In that area, West Berliners need only to cross the street to mail a letter to a German address for 50 pfennigs, instead of one mark.

"We handle about 280,000 pieces of mail a day, about 80,000 of which come from the west," he said. Ironically, some of the fattest sacks come from West Berlin government agencies, he said.

-30- 1407

#90318d1080 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 14) - Rwanda has freed 500 suspected rebel sympathisers, Rwandan radio reported Wednesday, following President Juvenal Habyarimana's move to end single-party rule.

The releases brought the number of people freed since last week to 2,500, according to the radio, monitored here.

Since the mainly Tutsi Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) attacked the Hutu-led government from neighbouring Uganda on October 1, soldiers in the capital,

Kigali, have rounded up between 3,500 and 6,000 people. Sources differ on the number of people arrested.

On Tuesday Major-General Habyarimana announced that the government would organise a referendum in June to seek popular support for a new constitution to introduce multi-party politics. He also announced plans to issue new identity cards that will no longer mention the bearer's ethnic group.

The planned reforms are line with the demands of the RPF, whose leaders have called for multi-party democracy and an end to tribal discrimination.

Hutus outnumber Tutsis 10 to one in Rwanda, one of Africa's most densely populated countries, with a population of more than seven million crammed into an area slightly smaller than Belgium.

The rebels, who include many Ugandan army deserters, are mainly Tutsi exiles whose families fled Rwanda starting in the late 1950s amid tribal massacres as the Hutus seized power from the Tutsis, the traditional feudal rulers.

The six-week-old civil war has dealt a cruel blow to the fragile economy of landlocked Rwanda, which has suffered chronic famine caused by overpopulation and soil erosion.

-30- 1822

#90318d1240 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (NOV. 14) - About 1,000 Taiwan and U.S. government officials and business leaders open a two-day annual conference here Thursday to seek ways of improving commercial and economic cooperation, organizers said.

Taiwan representatives will invite U.S. industrialists to join the island's major construction projects -- including the Taipei subway system and a new nuclear power station -- worth billions of U.S. dollars, they said.

Under its 1991-1996 national development plan, which is in the process of being finalized, Taiwan will invest a reported 13,000 billion Taiwan dollars (476 billion U.S. dollars) in various constructions projects.

They will also discuss bilateral trade and investment at their 14th yearly conference, which is co-sponsored by the Taiwan-U.S. Economic Council and its U.S. counterpart.

The two groups have played significant roles in promoting economic ties between the two countries in the absence of diplomatic links, conference organizers said.

Taiwan officials at vice-ministerial level will take part in the meeting, they said.

U.S. representatives will include the Commerce Department's Assistant Secretary for International Economic Policy Thomas Duesterberg, the U.S. Trade Representative's Office's Director of Southeast Asia and the Pacific Laura Anderson and U.S. Senator Frank Murkowski, a Republican from Alaska.

Taiwan's trade surplus with the United States, its largest trading partner, was 7.8 billion U.S. dollars in the first 10 months of 1990, down 23.8 per cent from a year earlier.

Authorities here launched a five-year export diversification program in 1988 under pressure from Washington, following a record 16 billion U.S. dollar trade imbalance in 1987 in favor of export-oriented Taiwan.

Incentives to boost U.S. imports helped narrow the trade gap to 13 billion dollars in 1988 and to 12 billion dollars last year.

-30- 2109

#90318d1250 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 14) - Japan's biggest bearing manufacturer Nippon Seiko KK said Wednesday its net profit advanced 16.5 percent from a year earlier to 6.9 billion yen (50 million dollars) in the six months to Septmeber.

Sales grew 9.1 percent to 182 billion yen (1.3 billion dollars) in the same period with higher turnover in all products ranging from bearings and automotive parts to precision machinery, the company said.

Net profit for the full year is forecast to reach 13.5 billion yen (98 million dollars) on sales of 368 billion yen (2.7 billion dollars).

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#90318d1480 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 14) - The United Nations High Comissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) owes Hong Kong some 17 million U.S. dollars the government spent on caring for Vietnamese refugees stranded here, government auditors said Wednesday.

The amount was spent on food, social services and other necessities for about 53,000 Vietnamese living in detention camps here in the 12 months to March, the auditors said in their annual report presented to the local legislature.

The British colonial authorities were entitled to bill the UNHCR for such expenses under a mutual pact signed in 1988.

Hong Kong taxpayers bore the costs of building the detention centres and making them secure.

The UNHCR was unable to reimburse the amount immediately but has promised to try to raise additional funds, the government said.

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#90318d1680 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (NOV. 14) - Yugoslav Foreign Minister Budimir Loncar, whose government holds the current leadership of the Non-Aligned Movement, arrived Wednesday in the United Arab Emirates from Iran to discuss the situation in the Gulf, the official WAM news agency reported.

Most members of the Non-Aligned Movement have condemned the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Both Iraq and Kuwait belong to the movement.

The Yugoslav news agency Tanjug reported November 8 that Mr. Loncar's tour of the region, aimed at securing a peaceful end to the Gulf crisis, could also include Iraq.

But it said Baghdad had not yet agreed to the visit.

Apart from Iran and the UAE, Mr. Loncar was also expected to visit Syria and Jordan and could travel to Saudi Arabia, with which Yugoslavia has no diplomatic relations.

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#90318d1690 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 14) - German Education Minister Juergen Moellemann, chairman of the German-Arab Society, proposed a three-point plan Wednesday to resolve the Gulf crisis.

Moellemann's plan calls for an immediate release of all foreigners held by Iraq, the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait under United Nations supervision and the convening of a Middle East peace conference.

He said the German-Arab Society which has more than 1,000 members would send letters containing the proposal to members of the U.N. Security Council and

Arab countries.

Baghdad's stated position that its annexation of Kuwait was irrevocable could change, Moellemann said, adding, ''I've always found these statements to be foolish and irresponsible.''

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#90318d1720 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (NOV. 14) - Saudi Arabia Wednesday implicitly rejected a Moroccan call for an emergency Arab summit as long as Iraq refuses to withdraw its troops from Kuwait.

"An Arab meeting will not bear fruit as long as Iraq refuses to accept Arab summit resolutions approved in Cairo (August 10) and those adopted by the U.N. Security Council demanding an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the restoration there of legitimate authority," said Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal.

Prince Saud, quoted by the offical WAM news agency of the United Arab Emirates (UAE), was speaking after a meeting with the UAE president, Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahayan.

Only a handful of the Arab League's 21 members have so far endorsed an appeal by King Hassan II of Morocco for a "last chance" summit to avert war in the Gulf between Iraq, which is occupying Kuwait, and a U.S.-dominated multinational force opposed to Baghdad.

Iraq initially posed conditions on its participation, namely that the gathering could not take place under foreign threats targeting Baghdad, but on Tuesday sent a senior official to Rabat for talks with King Hassan.

The emissary, First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan, said his government was interested in any serious Arab dialogue, a remark interpreted as a softening in Baghdad's position.

Iraq has also demanded that it be involved in pre-summit consultations and wants the agenda to be expanded to include other Arab issues, notably the Palestinian question.

Mr. Ramadan warned that a new summit must not be a repeat performance of the August 10 Cairo gathering, which denounced the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and authorized the deployment of Arab forces in Saudi Arabia.

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#90318d1830 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 14) - Israel has imprisoned three prominent Palestinians

without trial and imposed a curfew on most of the Gaza Strip ahead of the second anniversary of the declaration of a Palestinian state.

The Israeli crackdown follows a rise in violence in the 35-month-old Palestinian uprising, or intifada, with a shift from stone-throwing protests to attacks on Israelis with knives and blunt instruments.

"It's possible that our measures will spark protests abroad. But the security of Israel is more important to us than our image," said a close aide to Defence Minister Moshe Arens.

Several cabinet members, notably the far right-wing Agriculture Minister Raphael Eytan, have in recent weeks called for radical measures to crush the intifada that erupted in December 1987.

The expulsion of a large number of so-called Palestinian trouble-makers and the closure of Arab newspapers in east Jerusalem are among the measures that have been proposed.

Mr. Arens ordered the arrest Tuesday of three leading Palestinian figures who have ties to the outlawed PLO and placed them under administrative detention, for terms ranging from six to 12 months.

Radwan Abu Ayash, president of the Palestinian Journalists' Association, and another journalist Ziad Abu Ziad, were both imprisoned for six months, while a doctor, Ahmad al-Yazidji, was ordered to serve one year in detention.

All three personalities are advocates of a dialogue with Israel and were seen as possible candidates for a Palestinian delegation to enter negotiations over a May 1989 Israeli plan for elections in the occupied territories.

But Israeli authorities charged they belonged to the mainstream Fatah group of the Palestine Liberation Organisation and to the underground Unified Leadership of the uprising.

They had "incited the murder of Israelis," according to the authorities, by taking part in drafting communiques issued by the Unified Leadership.

Israeli officials said the time had come to move against the Unified Leadership because "its calls are having more impact on the Palestinian population and taking on a more violent character."

"By ordering the arrests, the Israeli government proves yet again that it is opposed to any peace settlement," said leading Palestinian nationalist Faisal Husseini, who has himself been arrested several times.

The leftist factions Ratz, Shinoui and Mapam also denounced the arrests, describing them as measures by the right-wing government of Prime Minister

Yitzhak Shamir to remove "Palestinian moderates who formally recognise Israel."

But a military source retorted that Mr. Abu Ayash and Mr. Abu Ziad were "not small fish, they're big sharks."

Under administrative detention, which Israel inherited from the British colonial powers that ruled Palestine, a suspect can be seized and held without trial or the right to appeal.

Israeli troops Wednesday shot and wounded three Palestinian students and clamped a curfew on most of the Gaza Strip ahead of expected protests to mark the 1988 proclamation of a Palestinian state, army and Arab sources said.

Three quarters of the 600,000 Palestinian residents of the Gaza Strip, including all those living in refugee camps, were under curfew and the entire territory was declared a closed military zone.

Journalists will be admitted to the Gaza Strip only with special permission under the regulations.

Israeli occupation authorities took the steps ahead of expected celebrations marking the proclamation of an independent Palestinian state, with Jerusalem as its capital, by the Palestine National Congress on November 15, 1988.

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#90318d1860 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 14) - Here is the full text of Michael Heseltine's announcement Wednesday that he would challenge Mrs. Thatcher for leadership of the Tory party:

''I have said many times that I could not foresee the circumstances in which I would allow myself to be nominated to challenge Mrs. Thatcher for the leadership of the Conservative Party.

''The past few days have been tumultuous for my party. The Deputy Prime Minister, Sir Geoffrey Howe, has resigned.

''The reasons he gave to the House of Commons yesterday cannot be dissociated from my own resignation four years ago and the more recent departure of the then Chancellor of the Exchequer, Nigel Lawson.

''In essence, the Prime Minister holds views on Europe behind which she has not been able to maintain a united cabinet. This damages the proper pursuit of British self-interest in Europe.

''The Conservatives have been driven into third place in Bradford, an industrial city, which has unavoidable comparisons with other constituencies

essential to the future re-election of a Conservative Government.

''The opinion polls now say that I am best placed to recover those people who have indicated that without a change of leader they will not vote Conservative at the next election.

''More than 100 of my parliamentary colleagues have urged me to stand and promised me their support.

''None of this could I have foreseen. But neither can I ignore the conclusion.

''I am persuaded that I would now have a better prospect than Mrs. Thatcher of leading the Conservatives to a fourth electoral victory and prevent the ultimate calamity of a Labour Government.

''I have accordingly informed the Chief Whip, Tim Renton, and the chairman of the 1922 Committee, Cranley Onslow, that I intend to let my name go forward.

''A significant consequence of my election as leader would be an immediate and fundamental review of the poll tax which I believe to be important for the revival of Government fortunes.

''Finally, let me say that Mrs. Thatcher's outstanding contribution to the politics of our times is not in question. It has been by any standards remarkable.

''The issue now, however, is how best to protect what we have all achieved under her leadership and advance under a Conservative Government to meet the already daunting challenges of the 1990s.''

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#90318d1900 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 14) - The European Economic Community (EEC) executive proposed Wednesday that oral moist snuff be banned, and that warning labels on cigarette packets be made mandatory also for other tobacco products.

The decision would take effect, if approved by the EEC council of ministers, from January 1, 1993, the official start date of the EEC's single market.

The European Commission said in a statement that although oral moist snuff was known to cause cancer and to be addictive, it was spreading fast among young people.

Britain and Ireland have already banned the product and Belgium is considering doing so. The commission proposed that the ban be extended throughout the other 10 EEC countries.

The use of oral moist snuff has spread quickly in such countries as the United States and Sweden. In the United States, it became popular for use on airplanes when smoking on internal flights was banned.

The commission also decided that warning labels should be applied to rolling tobacco, packs of cigars and other smoking tobacco products similar to those on cigarette packs.

And it recommended that smokeless tobacco products, mainly chewing tobacco,

carry the labels "tobacco seriously damages health" and "can cause cancer".

The commission decided last year that from 1993 all cigarette packets should bear two warning labels. The manufacturer will have the choice between "smoking causes cancer" or "smoking causes heart disease".

The second message can be chosen from a list of 14 alternatives, ranging from "Smoking kills" to "Protect children: don't make them breathe your smoke".

The EEC's proposed battery of anti-smoking laws from 1993 already includes a lowering of the tar content of cigarettes.

EEC ministers must also still decide on controversial proposals to ban all television and even written advertisements for smoking tobacco.

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#90318d1930 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 14) - The German government Wednesday adopted Finance Minister Theo Waigel's budget plan for next year as costs of German unification were expected to push the government deficit to 70 billion Deutsche marks (47.29 billion dollars), officials said.

This is a rise of three billion marks (2.04 billion dollars) over this year.

The government also wants to peg spending so that Germany's overall public sector budget deficit next year will be limited to 140 billion marks (93.9 billion dollars).

The public sector deficit includes spending by federal and regional governments and agencies tasked with overseeing the east German economy, but excludes social security spending and spending by the Bundespost and national railway network.

The government expects the federal government's deficit to drop to 30 billion marks (20.4 billion dollars) within four years, after the former East German economy is restructured.

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#90318d1940 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROME (NOV. 14) - Gas stations all over Italy closed Wednesday as operators went on a two-day strike in a protest at heavy federal taxes and reduced margins.

Station operators called on the government to reduce taxes, which represent 71.25 percent of the price of a litre of gasoline, by two percent. Oil companies get 25.07 percent and operators 3.68 percent of the 1,550 lire (about 1.30 dollars) drivers have to pay for a litre of gas.

The strike was originally scheduled to last three days but operators said it would last only two after they noted the government's "good will" to solve the crisis in a meeting with officials.

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#90318d1970 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABU DHABI (NOV. 14) - Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahyan, president of the United Arab Emirates (Uae), Wednesday received a message from Saudi Arabia's King Fahd dealing with the Gulf crisis and a Moroccan call for convening an emergency Arab summit on the crisis, it was reported here.

The message was delivered by Saudi Arabia's Foreign Minister, Prince Saud al-Faisal during his meeting with Sheikh Zayed.

In a statement before leaving Abu Dhabi, Saud said the message dealt with the call made by Morocco's King Hassan Ii sunday for a ''last-chance'' Arab summit to avert war in the Gulf and with Saudi Arabia's attitude toward it.

The Saudi foreign minister stressed that any Arab summit meeting will not be fruitful unless Iraq agreed to the decisions of the emergency Arab summit conference held in Cairo last August, as well as the resolutions of the U.N. Security Council.

These resolutions, which Iraq has rejected, called for a total and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait and the reinstatement of the legitimate government there.

If Iraq makes this commitment (accepting Arab and U.N. resolutions), then Arab meetings will, no doubt, be fruitful, Saud said in his statement carried by the Qatar News Agency.

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#90318d2050 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (NOV. 14) - Former Nicaraguan president Daniel Ortega met here

Wednesday with Jordanian Foreign Minister Marwan al-Qassem ahead of a planned trip to Baghdad later in the day, official Jordanian sources reported.

The talks here dealt with the current tension in the Gulf and efforts to avert war in the region between Iraq and a U.S.-led multinational force opposed to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Ortega arrived here last night and met with Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat.

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#90318d2060 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 14) - The Boots Company, Britain's largest chain of chemists, announced Wednesday interim profits up 1.1 per cent to 161.7 million pounds (316.9 million dollars) against 159.9 million pounds (314.4 million dollars) for the first six months of last year.

Although the results were ahead of brokers' expectations of between 135 and 160 million pounds, the share price fell 2 pence to 311 pence on the news.

Directors announced an interim dividend of 4.1 pence per share, up 6.5 percent on the previous 3.85 pence interim payout.

Profit growth was achieved on a turnover up by 21.7 percent from 1,424 million pounds (2,791 million dollars) to 1,733 million pounds (3,396 million dollars).

The core Boots chemists business which accounts for 63 percent of turnover and the related pharmaceuticals business which accounts for 17 percent of turnover contributed 149.2 million pounds (292.4 million dollars), or 92 per cent of profits.

Chief Executive Sir James Blyth said, "given the economic climate this was a good overall result".

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#90318d2070 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANAA (NOV. 14) - An estimated 100,000 foreign workers, mainly Asians, will leave Yemen before the end of this year in line with a decision by the Sanaa government to replace them with Yemenis, it was reported Wednesday.

The Saudi newspaper Asharq al-Awsat quoted an official source in the Yemeni Labour Ministry as saying that the decision was aimed at ''giving Yemenis,

particularly those who have returned home in the wake of the Gulf crisis, an opportunity to work in their country and contribute to its development''.

The paper said in its report from Sanaa the announcement on the departure of this large number of foreign workers came at a time Yemen was facing economic difficulties as well as a political crisis over its stand on the Gulf crisis, sparked off by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Demonstrations were staged in Sanaa and other cities last month to protest the worsening economic conditions in the country.

Asharq al-Awsat quoted political observers as saying that they expected the economic situation in Yemen to deteriorate further and that the Yemenis were preparing themselves for the worst.

Over 350,000 Yemenis have returned from Saudi Arabia after Riyadh suspended residence privileges for Yemeni workers in what was viewed as a retaliatory measure against Sanaa's stand on the Gulf crisis.

Yemen has supported Iraq in its current conflict with the U.S.-led alliance over Baghdad's seizure of Kuwait.

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#90318d2110 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRID (NOV. 14) - Spanish consumer prices rose 0.9 percent last month and seven percent over the last 12 months, the National Statistics Institute (INE) said.

October's rate is more than twice as high as the same month last year (0.4 percent), triggering fears that inflation is again accelerating. It takes the inflation rate since the start of the year to 6.4 percent.

Official forecasts said inflation would be 5.7 percent in 1990 but the figure was later revised to 6.9 percent.

On Wednesday's announcement the Madrid Stock Exchange shed 1.13 percent in midday trading.

Government measures to cool down the economy have failed to keep down the inflation rate but triggered a rise in unemployment for the third month running, with 15.64 percent of the work force unemployed.

Transport, food, and clothing had the most impact on the October inflation rate, up 1.3, 1.2, and 1.1 one percent respectively.

Industry Minister Claudio Aranzadi said the poor figures could be attributed to exceptional circumstances, notably a strike by heavy goods vehicle drivers which had had a particularly negative effect on food and transport prices.

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#90318d2120 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV. 14) - A Soviet-built nuclear reactor at Rheinsberg, south of Berlin, has been closed down permanently for technical and economic reasons, its owners, Energiewerke Nord AG, announced Wednesday.

The 24-year-old, 70-Megawatt pressurised water reactor had been disconnected from the East German electricity network five months ago, the company's spokesman said.

He said the decision came after studies showed that it would have technically difficult and economically costly to bring the reactor up to date.

The German authorities have already decided to curb production at the biggest nuclear generator in former East Germany because of safety reasons. The plant is at Greifswald, in the northeast.

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#90318d2140 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 14) - A man was decapitated after allegedly being tried by a "people's court" in Dambuza black township near South Africa's Natal Province capital Pietermaritzburg, state-run radio said Wednesday.

Police said 35-year-old Mtwa Nhlakoane and 31-year-old Tsekiso Moleko reportedly quarrelled over the sale of marijuana at the weekend and Mr. Moleko was stabbed to death.

Mr. Nhlakoane, police said, was allegedly tried and sentenced to death by a "people's court", one of many illegal courts set up in black communities by activists aligned with the African National Congress (ANC) to circumvent official courts and to build community structures.

Mr. Nhlakoane's decapitated body was later found by police in a road at Dambuza.

Some 4,000 people have died in a four-year Natal war between supporters of Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha party and members of the socialist United Democratic Front.

In August and September this year the war spilled over into black townships around Johannesburg leaving about 800 people dead.

On Tuesday, police in South Africa's largest black township Soweto near Johannesburg, said the body of a 23-year-old man, sought in connection with attempted murder and rape, was found in White City, one of Soweto's poorer suburbs, after he apparently was sentenced and executed by a "people's court".

Lieutenant-Colonel Tienie Halgrun said Golden Nlopo had been stabbed and then set alight by a group of youths.

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#90318d2160 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 14) - At least three people were killed and more than 30 injured when a communal clash between Hindus, Moslems and Sikhs erupted Wednesday in the older part of New Delhi, the United News of India reported.

Police opened fire after teargas failed to separate the clashing groups which indulged in arson, shooting and a stabbing spree.

The trouble started in the Idgah Road area of the old city when a ''peace procession'' by the Sikhs was attacked by ''miscreants'' belonging to a religious group. Under Indian press law, the media is barred from identifying the group in order to stop the conflagration from spreading to other areas.

P.K. Hazarika, chief casualty medical officer of the Bara Hindu Rao hospital, said all the three victims were ''brought dead'' to the hospital. Two had bullet wounds.

It was not immediately clear if the deaths occurred in police firing or in clashes between the communities. The third death was a case of stabbing.

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#90318d2240 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COVENTRY, ENGLAND (NOV. 14) - At ceremonies Wednesday marking the 50th anniversary of the massed German air raid on Coventry, German President Richard von Weizsaecker begged forgiveness from all who had been wronged in the Second World War.

Weizsaecker, saying he was speaking for all those who had actively participated in the fighting for nearly six years, remarked: ''To forgive is human, but it is a very personal matter.''

He was speaking at a service in the cathedral of a city which was pounded to destruction by 449 German bombers in an 11-hour raid on November 14, 1940. The Church of England cathedral was built in 1962 by the ruins of its medieval predecessor.

Earlier, Weizsaecker and Elizabeth, the British Queen Mother, officially opened a garden of peace near the ruins.

Delegations from Coventry's twin cities, among them Kiel and Dresden in Germany, laid wreaths in the city cemetery for the 546 persons killed the night the city centre was turned into an inferno.

Coventry, 20 kilometres east of Birmingham, was rebuilt after the War and is today a flourishing manufacturing centre for cars and components with 300,000 inhabitants.

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#90318d2250 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (NOV. 14) - Some 250 women from 25 countries marched here on Wednesday to promote peace in the Gulf and delivered messages to eight but the embassies including the Syrian mission which rejected the statement.

"We want to tell the press that the Syrians would not accept our letter," said one of the organisers, American Marie Bayyat, after a 15-minute wait outside the embassy's main gate.

The demonstrators, under police escort, visited the U.S., Egyptian, Soviet, French, Syrian, British and Saudi Arabian embassies. They also delivered a message to the United Nations headquarters in Amman where white pigeons symbolising peace were released over the premises.

"We are fed up with fighting. War is devastating. We've lived through war and we want peace", Lebanese-born Salam Abu Sway told Agence France-Presse.

Another demonstrator, Ica Wahbeh from Romania, said the march marking Jordanian King Hussein's 55th birthday was "an open message to the Western world: pull out your troops from the Gulf and let us live in peace."

Several protesters carried banners that read "War is victory for the grave not the brave."

The marchers were welcomed by officials at the French, American and Italian embassies but given a lukewarm reception at the British and Saudi missions.

"Sorry we are closed. Come back on Saturday," said an unidentified officer at the Saudi Embassy. He later relented after being pressured by the women and escorted one of them onto the premises to deliver the message.

British embassy personnel refused to open their main gate and accepted the women's message through a tiny barred hole.

The demonstrators also addressed messages to 21 world leaders -- including King Hussein, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, King Fahd of Saudi Arabia, U.S. President George Bush, French President Francois Mitterrand, British Premier Margaret Thatcher and Syrian President Hafez al-Assad -- urging them to work for peaceful resolution of the Gulf crisis.

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#90318d2280 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 14) - The European Economic Community (EEC) announced here Wednesday that it is to send emergency aid to the Nyamithutu refugee camp for Mozambicans in Malawi, where there is a cholera epidemic.

The European Commission, the EEC's executive, said the aid, worth 570,000 European Currency Units (ECU's -- about 741,000 dollars), would be used to pay for medicines, medical supplies, reservoirs and water disinfectant pumps.

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#90318d2340 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 14) - Thousands of protesters took to the streets of France Wednesday in a new challenge to the government of Socialist Prime Minister Michel Rocard, already shaken by fall-out from a student demonstration two days ago.

More than 10,000 marchers took part in three separate rallies through Paris, eyewitnesses said, organised by all the main French trade unions except the pro-Socialist CFDT and the Christian CFTC.

The marchers are opposed to Mr. Rocard's plan to bring in an additional 1.1 per cent tax to finance social welfare.

The moderate Force Ouvriere union called for a strike Wednesday, in addition to organising marches in Paris and elsewhere. Disruptions were reported in the Paris metro and the suburban rail network.

About 10,000 people marched behind union banners in the southern port city of Marseilles, where police fired tear gas canisters to disperse some demonstrators who tried to break through police barriers placed outside the central administrative building. No injuries were reported.

Up to 4,000 also demonstrated in Le Havre, in northern France, while 2,600 workers took to the streets in Lyons chanting "Rocard, you've had it" and 1,300 in southeastern Grenoble, police said.

The government argues that the measure, in the form of a bill due to come before parliament on Thursday, is aimed at "democratising" social security as it would apply not only to salaried workers but to all categories.

The decision to put deputies in control of the 35 billion francs (7 billion dollars) income from by the Generalised Social Contribution (CSG) would also be more democratic, according to the government.

The social security budget, totalling 1,300 billion francs (260 billion dollars) is currently the only state budget not directly controlled by

parliament.

The unions, who currently administer France's welfare funds, argue that the CSG should not apply to retired persons and the unemployed, and charge that the "Roc tax" would mark the beginning of a hike in welfare charges.

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#90318d2390 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BY ISABELLE ASTIGARRAGA

LONDON (NOV. 14) - Former defence secretary Michael Heseltine, who announced he would challenge Margaret Thatcher for the Conservative Party leadership on Wednesday, has been the leading champion of Europe within the party for the past few years.

Since resigning from government almost five years ago, Mr. Heseltine had carefully avoided criticising Mrs. Thatcher by name. While admitting he had differences with her, he remained statesman-like. However he never hid his ambition.

As a student at Oxford University Mr. Heseltine set himself a goal of becoming prime minister by the age of 55. He became a millionaire early in life, he said, so he could devote himself to politics. Now 57, he is just two years behind that self-imposed schedule.

The son of an engineer, he was born in Wales. After Oxford, he rapidly amassed a fortune in real estate and publishing, now put at between 50 and 60 million pounds (100 and 120 million dollars).

He was elected to the House of Commons in 1966 and went on to hold various junior government positions from 1970.

A supporter of former prime minister Edward Heath, he changed sides when Mr. Heath yielded the helm of the Conservative party to Mrs. Thatcher in 1975, and was rewarded in 1979 when she appointed him environment secretary.

Mr. Heseltine went on to become secretary of defence in 1983, but resigned three years later over the Westland helicopter affair when Mrs. Thatcher decided, against his wishes, that a U.S. firm rather than a European consortium should take over the company.

Since then, he has waged an intense personal campaign on behalf of the European cause, pitting himself directly against Mrs. Thatcher.

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#90318d2430 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 14) - The European Economic Community (EEC) plans to write off debts of 3.9 billion dollars to the African-Caribbean-Pacific (ACP) bloc of 69 developing countries, the European Commission said here Wednesday.

Commission vice-president Manuel Marin said the EEC council of ministers would be asked to cancel the debts of three billion European Currency Units (ECU's) at its next meeting in December.

He said the debts comprised only those owed to the EEC as a body, and did not include money owed to individual EEC countries.

The ACP countries, linked to the EEC since 1975 under the Lome Convention, have combined debts totalling about 169 billion dollars.

Repayments to be cancelled include special development loans and risk capital, and debts already made as well as those agreed but not yet accorded.

Mr. Marin said the ACP countries would also no longer have to pay into an export stabilisation system whereby they were compensated if prices of their exports dropped but had to refund the money when the prices rose again.

He said the debt cancellation was aimed principally at black African states which had embarked on economic reforms.

Mr. Marin said that no conditions were attached to the cancellations, but that in future aid recipients might have to meet certain standards of human rights and democracy which the EEC was preparing.

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#90318d2440 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) - The Soviet Union sold a dozen advanced SS-12 missiles to Iraq several years ago, a development that is causing alarm within the U.S. defense and intelligence community, The Washington Times reported Wednesday.

The paper quoted U.S. officials as saying news of the missile sales was relayed to them by Turkey after a Turkish diplomat recently learned about the delivery from a Soviet military attache in Baghdad.

The SS-12's, which are designed to deliver nuclear warheads, are said to have greater accuracy and longer range than other Soviet-made missiles in the Iraqi arsenal and could pose a more potent threat to U.S. forces deployed in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf in the wake of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The Soviet attache reportedly told the Turkish diplomat that the delivery was made before the 1987 signing of the U.S.-Soviet treaty banning all medium-range nuclear missiles. Under that treaty, the SS-12 and other similar missile systems are banned.

The Times quoted U.S. officials as saying the Ss-12 "Scaleboard" has a range of 900 kilometers (558 miles) and is accurate within 600 meters (yards) of its target at that distance.

By comparison, the Soviet-made Scud-B, also in the Iraqi arsenal, has a range of 280 kilometers (174 miles) and is far less accurate than the SS-12, the experts said.

The Times quoted an intelligence source as saying a U.S. spy satellite flying over Iraq had photographed the mobile launcher used for both the Scud-B and the SS-12.

Iraq has deployed scores of mobile ballistic missiles with high-explosive and chemical warheads, including some aimed at Saudi oil pipelines and the U.S.-led multinational forces deployed in Saudi Arabia, according to U.S. intelligence.

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#90318d2500 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (NOV. 14) - At least 5 people were killed and more than 100 injured Wednesday when troops fired on striking industrial workers blocking a highway outside Dhaka, police said.

Troops were called out in the industrial suburb of Demra after repeated teargassing failed to quell riots which broke out Tuesday night between supporters of rival trade unions.

The violence, about 10 miles from central Dhaka, led to the closure of jute mills and more than a score of industrial plants.

Troops fired on workers in a bid to clear a barricade on the Dhaka-Chittagong highway, eyewitnesses said.

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#90318d2520 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 14) - The next few weeks of the Gulf crisis will be "critical" as time runs out for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to peacefully withdraw from Kuwait, British Defense Secretary Tom King said Wednesday.

Mr. King, speaking to reporters after attending a joint exercise between Britain's 7th Armoured Brigade and U.S. Marines, also said Britain was planning to send more troops to Saudi Arabia.

He declined to give details of the additional British contribution to the

multi-national force assembled against Iraq, but Brigadier Patrick Cordingley, commander of the 7th Armoured Brigade, Britain's "Desert Rats," said it would probably include more tanks.

"The next few weeks are critical weeks," Mr. King said, adding that Mr. Hussein "better take a pretty early decision or he will have to take the responsibility for the consequences."

"Time is running out ... Our patience will run out," he said. "There's no specific time limit but there's not limitless time."

"There are 30 nations involved in this exercise. We're not going to sit around forever," the British defense secretary said. "The meaning is quite clear and it would be a very foolish man indeed who thought we were bluffing."

Mr. King, who held talks with General H. Norman Schwarzkopf, commander of U.S. forces in the Middle East on Tuesday, said Britain was "very satisified" with the command and control arrangements for its forces.

The 7th Armoured Brigade and its 120 Challenger tanks are under the tactical control of U.S. Marine General Walter Boomer while Lieutenant General Sir Peter de la Billiere, commander of British forces in the Gulf, retains operational control.

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#90318d2540 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH, GERMANY (NOV. 14) - Siemens, the German electronics giant, on Wednesday reported a six-percent rise of net consolidated profits to 1.67 billion Deutsche marks (1.14 billion dollars) in the year to September.

A company communique said net profits of the parent company totalled 1.09 billion marks (741 million dollars), up 12.3 percent.

Following the results Siemens will distribute a 13-mark (8.84-dollar) dividend per 50-mark (34-dollar) share, 0.50 marks (34 cents) more than originally planned.

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#90318d2550 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 14) - India's parliament will meet Friday for new Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar to prove he enjoys a working majority, nine days after it made legislative history by voting his embattled predecessor out of office.

Mr. Shekhar appears certain to win the legislature's mandate for his breakaway Janata Dal (People's Party) with backing from Rajiv Gandhi's Congress (I),

although doubts persist about how durable the alliance would prove.

The 63-year-old career politician, who assumed office Saturday, needs the support of 262 members in the elected lower house, which has an effective strength of 522, to keep governing India. Twenty-two seats are vacant.

He claims he has 280 MP's with him, including 212 members of the Congress and its allies and 61 of his own rebel party, which he has christened Janata Dal-Socialist.

Mr. Shekhar's aide, Satya Prakash Malaviya, said he expected more members from the original Janata Dal to cross the floor and join the breakaway group.

He said Mr. Shekhar would win Friday's vote of confidence in parliament "comfortably," and even his opponents agreed.

"He won't have any problems proving a majority," said a spokesman for the Janata Dal headed by Mr. Shekhar's predecessor Vishwanath Pratap Singh, who on November 7 became India's first prime minister to be voted out by parliament.

"Rajiv Gandhi's support will see him through on Friday," said spokesman Jaipal Reddy, who described Mr. Shekhar as the "first puppet prime minister of India."

"The battle for survival will begin later," he said, adding that his own party of 79 members would vote "no" to Mr. Shekhar.

The powerful Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP, Indian People's Party) is also committed to voting "no." BJP General Secretary Murli Manohar Joshi said Mr. Shekhar's government would probably win the confidence vote, but not survive long enough to present the budget in March.

The Hindu right-wing BJP toppled Mr. V.P. Singh by cutting off its vital parliamentary support for his 11-month-old government to protest his opposition to Hindu plans to raze a mosque and replace it with a temple.

Both the BJP and Mr. V.P. Singh's faction have alleged that the Congress (I), defeated in the November 1989 general elections, would be the real power behind the Shekhar throne.

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#90318d2660 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 14) - Indonesian President Suharto expressed his interest in developing long-term friendly bilateral relations when he met with his Chinese counterpart Yang Shangkun here Wednesday, the official Xinhua news agency reported.

The two leaders met in the Great Hall of the People three months after a visit

by Chinese Premier Li Peng to Indonesia during which the two countries resumed diplomatic relations.

Scheduled for six days, it is the first visit by an Indonesian leader to China since President Sukarno went to Peking in 1964.

Yang said he expected the trip to ''open a new phase for bilateral relations'' and described Suharto's visit as being ''of great significance''.

''I hope our two countries will develop a friendly, cooperative relationship in a long-term, steady and comprehensive manner ...'' said Yang.

Indonesia broke off its relations with China in 1967, charging that Peking was involved in an attempted communist coup two years earlier.

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#90318d2670 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 14) - Police announced here Wednesday they had launched a manhunt for top South African Communist Party (SACP) member Ronnie Kasrils and three other suspects in an alleged red coup plot.

Mr. Kasrils, Janet Love, Charles Ndaba and Christopher Mayne are wanted in connection with Operation Vula, an African National Congress covert operation security police unearthed when they seized computer tapes from SACP safe houses.

The tapes, detailing a secret SACP meeting at Tongaat in Natal in May, supposedly revealed that the ANC and its SACP allies were amassing arms for a military takeover under cover of negotiations with the government.

The four were wanted for bringing weapons, ammunition and explosives into the country illegally, police said, warning that the suspects, who used "all sorts of disguises", were expected to be "armed and dangerous".

Nine ANC members are already on trial in the eastern port city Durban for their alleged part in the plot.

They were granted bail last week, and are expected to apply for the indemnity from prosecution the government is offering offenders who committed politically motivated crimes before October 8, part of a deal it struck with the ANC in a bid to secure negotiations on enfranchising the black majority.

The prosecutor said he wanted the matter sorted out before the trial resumes on January 15.

Mr. Kasrils went into hiding on July 26 after a dramatic appearance at a press luncheon here hosted by the Foreign Correspondents' Association, and

resurfaced briefly again last week to give an interview to the pro-ANC New Nation newspaper, which is based in Johannesburg.

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#90318d2690 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) - Oil futures prices slipped in early trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange Wednesday, with the barrel of light sweet crude shedding 37 cents to 32.75 dollars by 10:00 a.m. (1500 GMT).

Tuesday the benchmark U.S. crude closed 1.25 dollars higher per barrel.

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#90318d2730 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (NOV. 14) - Tanzanian President Ali Hassan Mwinyi has said one of the big tasks facing him in his second term of office will be to cushion effects of rising oil prices from the on-going Gulf crisis.

A State House statement issued here Tuesday quoted Mr. Mwinyi as saying that an estimated 80 per cent of the country's export earnings would be go towards the oil import bill, if the crisis was prolonged.

The Gulf crisis, triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, has doubled Tanzania's oil bill from 9.4 million U.S. dollars to 15 million per load of crude oil import.

Observers here noted that the invasion would also deprive Mr. Mwinyi's government of a 178-million-dollar loan promised by Kuwait for a road construction project in southern Tanzania.

The project has now been suspended.

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#90318d2890 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 14) - Israeli Defence Minister Moshe Arens Wednesday said here the government in Amman should do more to hinder guerrillas from infiltrating into the Israeli-occupied West Bank.

He said his government expects Amman to strengthen its controls on the border with the West Bank, which runs more than 100 kilometres along the Jordan River.

Israel has changed its alert status on the border and the army now treats it as an actively hostile area because of a growing number of infiltration attempts, military sources said.

New arrangements there would lead to the strengthening of forces, increasing

patrols to detect infiltrators and the possible replacement of reserve soldiers by regular troops, the sources said.

Many guerrillas have infiltrated into the West Bank this year, killing and injuring a number of Israeli troops. The latest attack along the border with Jordan occured late Monday, when a gunman shot and killed an Israeli soldier manning a post.

Meanwhile, Israeli military authorities clamped a four-day curfew on large parts of the Gaza Strip and several refugee camps in the West Bank, confining hundreds of thousands of people to their homes.

The curfew was aimed at preventing demonstrations marking the second anniversary of the declaration of the independent state of Palestine on November 15, 1988 by the exile Palestine National Council. The underground Palestinian uprising (intifada) leadership has called for marches to mark the anniversary.

The Israeli army earlier placed the entire Gaza Strip under curfew, fearing a violent popular backlash to the jailing without a trial of three leading Palestinian activists a day before.

Jerusalem journalists Radwan Abu Ayash and Ziad Abu Ziad were placed under a six-month ''administrative detention'' order and leading Gaza physician Ahmed Yazdji was imprisoned for twelve months under similar provisions.

Security sources said the arrests were the first steps in a new crackdown on the three-year-old intifada and that the jailed men were leading members of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo) in the territories and ranking members of the intifada.

The lawyers of the three Palestinians said they would appeal against the detention order, a measure introduced by British mandate rule before the establishment of Israel in 1948.

Abu Ziad said in a lettrer from prison: ''The only way to a solution is by means of dialogue and negotiations.'' He was alluding to repeated calls by the Plo for negotiations with Israel, an idea rejected by Israeli Premier Itzhak Shamir.

Faisal al-Husseini, the unofficial Plo spokesman in annexed Arab East Jerusalem, said, ''The arrests are clear messages to the international communitiy reitirating his (Shamir's) rejection of any peaceful solution to the Palestinian problem''.

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#90318d2900 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 14) - General Accident, the insurance company, announced Wednesday pre-tax losses of 73.3 million pounds (143.6 million dollars) for the first nine months of 1990.

The losses, made on a turnover of 2.34 billion pounds (4.61 billion dollars) (against 2.33 billion pounds -- 4.59 billion dollars -- previously), compared to profits of 137.1 million pounds (270.1 million dollars) in the same period last year.

Losses per share were 12.3 pence against earnings per share of 26 pence.

The losses were greater than anticipated by brokers, and at mid-afternoon on the London stock markets General Accident shares were down three pence at 434 pence.

Storm damage to many properties last winter and a growth of subsidence claims, contributed to the disappointing results.

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#90318d3090 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (NOV. 14) - A fragile agreement on the critical question of division of powers between Czechoslovakia and its constituent Czech and Slovak republics was reached here following marathon negotiations between officials from the three governments, according to the news agency CTK.

The accord, reached late Tuesday, appeared to have headed off a constitutional crisis which had threatened to lead to the disintegration of the Czechoslovak federation.

However, the Slovak prime minister Vladimir Meciar announced following the meeting that he was "disillusioned" and called the agreement "insufficient."

The accord followed eleven hours of negotiations between the prime ministers and some 30 ministers from the three governments and the speakers of the Czech and Slovak parliaments.

The agreement calls for a single central bank and federal control over revenues, with each of the three govenments having jurisdiction over its own expenditure.

The federal budget is projected to represent 92 million koruna (four billion dollars) against a total of 470 million koruna (20 billion dollars) for the two republics.

Negotiators were unable to reach agreement on the questions of jurisdiction over railroads, assignment of radio and television frequencies and the power to declare a state of emergency, and these issues are therefore to be settled

under specific legislation.

The three governments are to to discuss the draft text and make separate pronouncements on it before it is put before the Czech and Slovak parliaments next week. If approved, it will be voted on by the Federal Assembly in December.

Discussions of the text are expected to go smoothly in the Czech and federal governments, both dominated by the Vaclav Havel's federalist Civic Forum, but increasing nationalist sentiment in Slovakia may derail the agreement when it is discussed in Bratislava, observers said.

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#90318d3100 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (NOV. 14) - Iraq was reported Wednesday to have demanded its Arab foes swallow their words as a pre-condition for an eleventh-hour Arab summit to avert war in the Gulf.

First Deputy Prime Minister Yassin Ramadan said that before any fresh summit, the ''anti-Iraq resolutions'' of the last summit in Cairo would have to be withdrawn, according to the Iraqi news agency Ina.

The Ina despatch, distributed here, said Ramadan made the remarks Tuesday night in Rabat, Morocco, where he was meeting King Hassan Ii. The Moroccan monarch has proposed the summit as a ''last chance'' for a peaceful settlement.

The Arab League was split at its October summit in Cairo, with a majority voting to rebuke Iraq and demand it immediately withdraw its troops from neighbouring Kuwait.

The majority, led by Egypt, Syria and the Gulf monarchies, authorised the despatch of Arab troops to Saudi Arabia to confront Iraq. Arab leaders were still consulting Wednesday on the Moroccan proposal.

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#90318d3140 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) - Citing national security imperatives, President George Bush Wednesday extended by 90 days the active duty period of some 36,000 reserve troops who have been called to service as part of Operation Desert Shield.

"The continued need for units and members of the selected reserve to augment the active armed forces of the United States for the effective support and conduct of operational missions in and around the Arabian peninsula necessitates this action," Mr. Bush said in a letter to congressional leaders.

Mr. Bush had called up reserves last August 22 for a period of 90 days. By law the president can extend this period three additional times by 90 days, to 360 days total, but must inform Congress each time.

The law, which formerly allowed no more than one 90-day extension, recently was amended.

More than 36,000 reservists from the five U.S. armed services (Navy, Air Force Army, Marine Corps and Coast Guard) have been called up to supplement the U.S. armed forces deployed in the Gulf region, or to replace troops in the United States sent to active duty in the Gulf.

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#90318d3210 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAVANA (NOV. 14) - An oil tanker with "Iraqi tankers" inscribed in white letters on its side was sighted heading out of the Havana harbor, but neither Cuban authorities nor the Iraqi Embassy would confirm its presence.

The tanker was seen by an Agence France-Presse correspondent sailing Sunday towards the port of Mariel, west of here, but Iraqi Ambassador Waleed Abbas said late Tuesday he knew nothing of the ship.

In early September, Cuba categorically denied reports it had received oil shipments from Iraq in violation of the U.N. mandated trade embargo against Baghdad for its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

"Since August 6, 1990, there has been no direct commercial transaction" between Cuba and Iraq, a Foreign Ministry statement said referring to U.N. resolution 661 adopted on that date.

Other sources at the Iraqi Embassy suggested the sighted tanker may have been carrying out a contract signed prior to the start of the international embargo against Iraq.

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#90318d3250 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (NOV. 14) - The head of the pro-Iranian Moslem fundamentalist militia Hezbollah, Sheikh Mohamad Hussein Fadlallah, Wednesday called here for the release of all hostages in Lebanon.

Fadlallah's statement came two days after Iran's former interior minister, Ali Akbar Muhtashimi, said three British hostages in Lebanon ''would regrettebly regain their freedom within the coming few days''.

The Hezbollah (Party of God) leader said all hostages should be freed because ''their continued detention was an inhuman action''.

Earlier, Fadlallah met with relatives of four Iranian diplomats who were kidnapped by the pro-Israeli Christian Lebanese Forces militia in eastern Lebanon in 1982. He voiced his pessimism about the fate of the four Iranians.

Christian militia leaders have repeatedly said they were killed, with the rival leaders, Samir Geagea and Elie Hobeika, blaming one another for their liquidation.

British citizens John McCarthy, Jack Mann and Terry Waite been held hostage for years by shadowy groups linked with Hezbollah. Six Americans, two Germans and an Italian are also held by the same groups in Lebanon.

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#90318d3290 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA (NOV 14) - Bulgarian Prime Minister Andrei Lukanov on Wednesday presented an emergency 100-day plan to parliament providing for a wide range of free-market economic policies to combat the country's economic crisis.

The opposition Union of Democratic Forces (UDF) rejected the program and called on its supporters to demonstrate late in the week for the resignation of the government and formation of a coalition government in which the UDF would hold the key posts, including that of prime minister.

Mr. Lukanov's plan, which is proposed to run until January 31, provides for the cancellation of decrees which limited the economic autonomy of businesses and for the dismantling and privatization of a number of major state concerns.

The program would establish a special agency to handle foreign investment and the privatization of state property, as has been done for East Germany and Hungary, with compensation and reployment of workers sacked as a result.

It would lift some import restrictions and introduce a partial convertibility within the country of the national currency, the lev.

Mr. Lukanov announced his intention to put agricultural and rural development policy proposals before parliament by January 10, and to present a plan for a second stage of economic reforms by January 20.

He said that the government would request assistance from the International Monetary Fund and other financial institutions to stabilize the lev's exchange rate.

A decision is also due to be taken before January 31 to remove price controls on most products and services.

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#90318d3320 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MUNICH (NOV 14) - Siemens, the German electrical giant, raised its share dividend 50 pfennigs Wednesday for the second year in a row.

The mother company said here it would pay out 13 marks (8.80 dollars) per share for the business year ending September 30, 1990.

In a retort to stockmarket pundits, a company spokesman said Siemens hoped to maintain the higher dividend for 1990-1991 ''despite the difficult economic environment''.

The markets have been betting on a slump in Siemens' profitability because of the company's takeover of lossmaking German computer maker Nixdorf late this year.

Worldwide group turnover rose four per cent to 63.3 billion marks (42.8 billion dollars), according to the Siemens announcement Wednesday. After-tax group profit was up six percent to 1.67 billion marks.

The parent company, Siemens Ag, is to reserve 678 million marks from its 1.09-billion-mark surplus for the dividend payout.

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#90318d3370 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (NOV. 14) - Liberia's interim president Amos Sawyer on Wednesday offered rebel leader Charles Taylor a chance to fight elections and become head of state, while taking the most important political post available in the meantime.

Mr. Sawyer, a lawyer and constitutional expert, said that Mr. Taylor could become speaker of parliament under the interim government's national unity programme. That was the highest post open to anyone wishing to run for the presidency.

Mr. Taylor, a Liberian former top civil servant who started the country's bloody civil war last December, has already proclaimed himself president. This was even before a breakaway rebel faction led by Prince Johnson tortured the incumbent head of state Samuel Doe to death in September.

The rebel National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) led by Mr. Taylor is the last warring faction to hold out against West African moves to establish a ceasefire throughout the country and install Mr. Sawyer's interim administration.

Mr. Sawyer, who had talks here Wednesday with Nigerian President Ibrahim Babangida, said "we are happy that Nigeria and other cooperating countries did

not stand idly by and let Liberians massacre themselves into extinction".

Nigerian and Ghanaian troops form the bulk of a 7,000-strong five-nation peacekeeping force sent into Liberia in August by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS). The force, known as ECOMOG, has driven the NPFL out of Monrovia.

Mr. Sawyer also offered six seats in parliament to the NPFL, against four for Mr. Johnson, who has pledged to cooperate with the interim government. Nine members of the new adminstration were already in Monrovia on Wednesday, while Mr. Sawyer was to go there after visiting the Gambia and Guinea.

Under the offer, the NPFL would have half the number of seats to be granted Liberia's six political parties, which would each take two, Mr. Sawyer pointed out. Mr. Taylor thus "has an opportunity to transform his military organization into a political organization," he said.

Since the rebel leader claimed to control "90 per cent of the country", he also had a chance to "influence the election" of 13 additional deputies to be appointed from Liberia's 13 counties.

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#90318d3390 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (NOV. 14) - Unknown gunmen opened fire with machine guns late Wednesday on a car carrying five Frenchmen north of here, wounding three of the passengers -- one seriously -- sources said.

Lucien Chayrouni, 34, an employee at the French embassy was seriously hurt with a shot to the head and rushed to hospital in the Christian suburbs, medical sources said, adding that his condition had stabilized.

France's Ambassador to Lebanon, Rene Ala, confirmed the incident but said that given the recent events in Lebanon, the Frenchmen were perhaps not targeted on account of their nationality.

The car was shot at by one or more assailants as it circulated in the Mkalles sector which is under Lebanese and Syrian army control, security sources said.

Renegade Christian military leader Michel Aoun has been holed up in the French embassy since his defeat October 13 by a Syrian-led assault aimed at extending the Lebanese government's authority over the entire country.

The Syrians have accused Gen. Aoun of high treason but France does not want him tried by Syrian authorities.

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#90318d3460 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMSTERDAM (NOV 14) - Soviet oil sources will run dry by the end of the century if current pumping levels are maintained, a close aide to Russian Federation President Boris Yeltsin said here Wednesday.

"It was not for nothing that the Soviet Union invaded Afghanistan," but because Moscow "wanted access to the Gulf", said Mikhail Poltoranin, Russian minister for the press and former editor of the Communist Party daily Pravda.

"The Soviet oil reserves are almost exhausted," he said.

Mr. Poltoranin criticized past Soviet oil policy of exploiting reserves near the surface "any old how" without regard to damage caused to reserves lying deeper.

"We exploited the 20 percent of oil fields that were of easiest access, and I wonder if the remainder can still be used," Mr. Poltoranin said at a press conference.

The minister, who was in the Netherlands on a private visit, also called on Western investors to help create independent newspapers, television and radio stations in the Soviet Union.

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#90318d3500 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (NOV. 14) - Britain's Ambassador to Lebanon, David Tatham, on Wednesday expressed "optimism" about the release of British hostages believed held here in the wake of comments made by an Iranian hardline leader.

Mr. Tatham said statements by Iran's former interior minister, Ali Akbar Mohtashemi, on Tuesday about the freeing of British hostages in Lebanon in the coming days were not precise, but that he was "optimistic this time."

"The British hostages should be released in the coming days in Lebanon, because Moslem groups are under pressure, while our Iranian brothers are still held in prison by the Phalangists," Mr. Mohtashemi said.

Mr. Mohtashemi, an MP from Teheran and the leader of the Iranian hardline militants, made the remarks in an interview with the Iranian newspaper Abrar.

He was referring to Terry Waite, special envoy of the Church of England, journalist John McCarthy and retired airline pilot Jack Mann. The three are among 12 Westerners held in Lebanon.

Most of those held are believed to be in the hands of pro-Iranian Lebanese Shiite groups in Lebanon.

On Tuesday, an Iranian source here said the release of three British hostages must be preceded by a resumption of ties between London and Damascus. Relations were cut in 1986.

Iran and Syria earlier this year arranged the release of three hostages.

Teheran later appealed for Western help to secure the liberation of four Iranians it says were seized in Beirut in 1982 by right-wing Lebanese Christian militiamen during an Israeli invasion.

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#90318d3530 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bonn (NOV. 14) - The Bonn government confirmed Wednesday that a secret intelligence network was set up in West Germany along with other North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato) countries as part of a contingency plan to sabotage any Soviet occupation of Europe.

German government spokesman Hans Klein said Bonn had from the late 1950s taken measures ''to guarantee the obtainment of intelligence information in the presumed area of conflict''.

However he denied the Nato operation, codenamed Gladio, involved the training of covert commando forces.

Klein refused to give further details of the operation. However it was clear from his comments that parliament had not been informed of the network and that the contingency plans still existed.

Other Nato countries, including Italy, Belgium, France and the Netherlands, have already admitted the existence of covert groups.

In a television interview broadcast in Stockholm Wednesday, William Colby, former chief of the U.S. intelligence agency Cia, said the Cia had also set up a covert anti-communist resistance group in neutral Sweden during the 1950s.

The German opposition Social Democrats (Spd) called Wednesday for state prosecutors to launch an investigation.

Spd member of parliament Hermann Scheer said the existence of a secret armed military organisation outside parliamentary control and the status of the official armed forces seemed to be a violation of the constitution and should be the subject of judicial inquiry.

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#90318d3560 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 14) - Iraq Wednesday accused the United States of preparing to

carry out a military attack on it, denouncing as as ''provocative'' plans by U.S. marines to conduct a landing exercise on Saudi territory, near the Iraqi border.

The Pentagon had said Tuesday marines would conduct a landing exercise on Saudi territory soon. Some reports said the exercise would take place Sunday within range of Iraqi shore positions and its Silkworm anti-ship missiles.

''This behaviour constitutes a clear provocative act and unveils, in addition to many other proofs, the aggressive U.S. intentions against Iraq,'' an Iraqi spokesman said in a statement to the Iraqi News Agency (Ina) which was broadcast by Baghdad Radio late Wednesday.

The spokesman accused Washington of planning to carry out ''provocative acts in order to shuffle cards and mislead the American people and Congress and the world public opinion with a view to staging an aggression against Iraq.''

The spokesman stressed that Iraq, ''a believer in its right, the justness of its cause, and in a just peace,'' was capable of hitting back at any aggression it might be subjected to.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Wednesday appointed a key member of the ruling Baath Party as governor of the ''province of Kuwait'', Baghdad Radio reported.

Aziz Saleh al-Neman took a legal oath as governor at a ceremony attended by Saddam, the radio said.

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#90318d3660 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 14) - Officials from Egypt and 24 creditor nations will meet here Thursday and Friday to assess Cairo's economic reforms and discuss a rescheduling or reduction of Egypt's foreign debt, French and Egyptian sources announced Wednesday.

Any rescheduling by the so-called Club of Paris would have to be agreed to by the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

The Egyptian delegation will comprise Atef Ebeid, state minister for administrative development, and Salah Hamed, deputy prime minister and governor of the Egyptian central bank.

In a separate meeting, called at the request of U.S. President George Bush, creditor nations will discuss ways to cancel Egypt's military debt Friday.

Egypt owes France nine billion French francs (1.8 billion dollars) for military equipment in a total debt toward France of 39 billion (7.8 billion dollars).

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#90318d3680 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MUNICH, Germany (NOV 14) - The German auto maker Volkswagen and the U.S. electronics group Control Data will set up a subsidiary to develop computer systems for the automobile industry, the two companies announced here Wednesday.

Volkswagen and Control Data have cooperated since 1969 and will share the new company's 10-million Deutsche mark (6.8-million dollar) capital.

The subsidiary, ICEM Systems GmbH in Hanover, central Germany, will be operative on December 1.

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#90318d3750 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ZURICH (NOV 14) - The Swiss cigarette maker Reemtsma Cigaretten AG, a subsidiary of the German company of the same name, closed down its plant at Gontenschwill, north of here, due to German unification, a company spokesman announced Wednesday.

Before the two Germanies reunited last month, more than 50 per cent of the Gontenschwill production was destined for the East German market.

But the Hamburg-based parent company said cigarettes formerly made in Switzerland would now be rolled in Germany after taxes between East and West Germany were abolished on July 2 when the Deutsche mark was introduced in the East.

The annual turnover at the Gontenschwill plant stood at 63 million Swiss francs (50 million dollars).

A total of 70 people lost their jobs due to the closure.

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#90318d3790 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 14) - Iraqi Information Minister Latif Nassif Jassem on Wednesday accused British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of flagrant meddling in Iraq's internal affairs.

Mr. Jassim said Mrs. Thatcher's statements on Monday vowing that allied forces would free Kuwait from Iraqi annexation, by military means if necessary, were "flagrant interference in Iraq's internal affairs, adding to hostility" against his country.

Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2 and annexed its oil-rich neighbor days later.

The Iraqi minister said Mrs. Thatcher's "passion to provoke war was due to her colonial mentality which finds refuge in a diabolic and unsteady spirit."

In her annual speech at the banquet of the Lord Mayor of London, the premier said: "We hope that (U.N.) sanctions will compel Iraq to withdraw soon. But if not, Arab and Western forces will have no alternative but to free Kuwait by military means."

Mr. Jassem reaffirmed Iraq's position for a peace in the Gulf based on a comprehensive settlement of all the Middle East's problems, namely including the Palestinian issue.

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#90318d3920 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ADDIS ABABA (NOV 14) - Ethiopia on Wednesday rejected denied Somali defence minister Hussein Abdirahman Matan's charge it was harbouring Somali rebels.

A statement issued here by the foreign ministry said that the allegation made Monday by the Somali defence minister over Radio Mogadishu "only contributed to undermine the mutual confidence existing between the two countries".

The foreign ministry statement stressed that Ethiopia was committed to the full implementation of the April 1988 normalization agreement it signed with Somalia.

It warned the allegation "was neither helpful nor constructive and was against the spirit of a declaration here last July 9 at a special summit of heads of state of the six-nation Inter-Governmental Authority on Drought and Desertification (IGADD) -- Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, Sudan and Uganda.''

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#90318d4260 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 14) - France Wednesday conducted an underground atomic test on the Pacific atoll of Fangatau, the defence ministry said here.

The strength of the blast was under 100 kilotons, the ministry said. The explosion was at 1810 Gmt.

It was the fifth French test since last May when Paris began announcing the explosions.

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#90318d4340 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAGUA (NOV. 14) - The opposition Sandinista Front Wednesday came out in support of former contra rebels' demands for land grants from the government and criticized President Violeta Chamorro for being slow to resolve a two-week-old uprising by the ex-guerrillas.

Five people have died and 40 have been injured since the start of the protest move led by former contras and supported by local mayors and dissident officials of Mrs. Chamorros governing coalition.

The activists have blocked roads and occupied churches and government buildings demanding that the government make good its promises when it took office in April to give the former anti-Sandinista guerrillas land and financial aid in return for their demobilization.

Government sources said Mrs. Chamorro would hold a cabinet meeting in Juigalpa on November 21 to hear from an official delegation sent there to assess the situation.

Mrs. Chamorro's chief of staff, Antonio Lacayo, Tuesday warned that the army and police might intervene to quell the uprising if negotiations with the ex-contras and their backers brought no results.

Leaders of the Sandinista Front, which ruled the country for 10 years until April, said they would support a "quick and fair solution" to the contras' demands.

Luis Carrion, a senior front official, said the administration's slowness in addressing the protesters' demands "fed the desperation of the demobilized (contras)" and was bringing the country to the brink of a crisis.

Mr. Carrion distinguished between the former contras' demands and those of local deputies and mayors, many of whom belong to the ruling coalition, who are calling for dismissal of senior members of the Chamorro government and army commanders still loyal to the Sandinistas.

Their complaints, he said, "are not directly linked to the land issue" but have political undertones, adding that many of the local officials were simply seeking more power.

A faction of the ruling coalition and the former rebels believe, instead, that Mrs. Chamorro is being manipulated by the Sandinistas and failing to back those who voted her into power in February.

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#90318d4360 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) - Cambodian resistance leader Son Sann insisted

Wednesday that more than 60,000 Vietnamese troops were still in Cambodia and urged Washington not to normalize ties with Hanoi until a complete Vietnamese troop withdrawal is verified by international observers.

Speaking at the National Press Club here, former premier Son Sann, head of the Khmer People's National Liberation Front (KPNLF), said: "It is not the right moment (for the United States) to normalize relations with Vietnam."

"I'm here to request that the U.S. administration not lift the (15-year-old trade) embargo against Vietnam until Vietnam accepts the withdrawal of all its forces under international supervision," he added.

He said he had been reassured on this point in talks here with officials of the Departments of State and Defense as well as from the National Security Council.

The KPNLF is allied with another non-communist group led by Prince Norodom Sihanouk and with the communist Khmer Rouge in a coalition opposing the Hanoi-backed Phnom Penh Government.

Under a U.N.-brokered peace plan, all four Cambodian parties formed a Supreme National Council (SNC) last September to embody Cambodian representation during the transition.

The 12-member SNC is equally represented between the Phnom Penh Government and the tripartite resistance. But the four parties have been deadlocked over a resistance proposal to have Prince Sihanouk named chairman.

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#90318d4460 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 14) - Air France will suspend several dozen domestic and French-originated European routes over the next few weeks to concentrate on more profitable ones, a reliable source said Wednesday after a board meeting of the French national carrier.

Management said the move would affect mainly routes linking 11 provincial French cities with European cities using small 30-seat planes chartered by regional firms.

Also eliminated will be flights from eight provincial cities to Paris feeding trans-Atlantic flights to New York. Only Nice and Lyons will keep these connecting trips.

Chairman Bernard Attali told the meeting that the overall service offered would be "globally stable", with a 2.2 percent fall in medium-haul flights and a corresponding increase for long-haul.

Passenger-kilometres to Asian destinations will as a result of the modifications increase 11.3 percent, to North America 7.5 percent and South America 7.6 percent.

Between Paris and major European cities they will increse 13 percent, while services from the French provinces directly to other European destinations will drop 17.4 percent. Traffic to Algeria will drop 36 percent.

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#90318d4540 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAKAR (NOV. 14) - Security forces arrested several opposition leaders here Wednesday as they participated in a demonstration against what they see as restrictive policies on the media imposed by the ruling Socialist Party.

Among those arrested were Abdoulaye Bathily, Secretary General of the Democratic League, Babacar Niang, Secretary General of the People's Liberation Party, Majhmouth Diop, Secretary General of the African Independence Party, and Ahmadou Guiro, leader of the Socialist Workers' Organization.

Also arrested were several opposition deputies, including Boubacar Sall, the deputy head of the Senegalese Democratic Party (PDS).

Security forces, who were deployed in massive numbers throughout the capital, used teargas to disperse the demonstrators.

One opposition leader said that several persons were injured in clashes which began when some 100 persons succeeded in gathering at the designated departure point of the protest march, which was to have led to the communications ministry.

Reporters witnessed a brutal beating of PDS deputy Abdoulaye Faye by several policemen using clubs, and senior PDS official Ousmane Ngom said that Mr. Faye was subsequently arrested.

He indicated that a number of injured persons, including about 10 members of the security forces, were taken to Dakar's two principal hospitals.

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#90318d4630 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 14) - Eight people have been killed and 45 injured in clashes between demonstrators and security forces in several towns in Sudan, Sudanese opposition sources said here Wednesday.

The motive for the demonstrations was not specified. Protests notably took place in Madani and Kasala in Kordofan province, according to the sources.

The situation in Khartoum was also said to be "extremely tense" due to political agitation, with the police and army out in force on the streets.

In addition, more than 200 lecturers from the University of Khartoum have been sacked by the government, the opposition sources said.

They said that a rail strike last week was accompanied by arson and other acts of sabotage which paralyzed the country's entire railroad system for five days.

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#90318d4640 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANTIAGO (NOV. 14) - A top general has called for a purge of the Chilean army which is commanded by General Augusto Pinochet, amid a widening scandal of corruption and murder involving members of the military and secret police.

The call coincided with new accusations leveled against the army by a senator who charged that the former Pinochet government made large-scale transfers of state property to the army in its final months in office.

Gen. Pinochet, who governed at the head of a military government for 16 years, remains commander of the army even though an elected civilian government headed by Patricio Aylwin assumed office this year.

The army already is at the center of a scandal over charges that top military officials participated in a secret financing company that made loans worth millions of dollars.

Since the scandal broke last month, six members of the army high command have resigned and 16 lower ranking officers have been dismissed in a major upheaval in the military. A number of figures linked to the scandal have also been killed or died under mysterious circumstances.

"The army should be cleaned and purged," General Raul Iturriaga said Tuesday. "The investigation should go to the very end. The investigation cannot stop because one man has a higher rank than another."

A former member of the army high command, Gen. Iturriaga's comments were believed to carry weight because he remains on active duty and held top military posts under Gen. Pinochet, including in military intelligence.

Gen. Iturriaga was among the six members of the army high command who resigned last month, but denied he was "directly or indirectly" involved with the secret loan-sharking operation.

The Chilean press has reported that four of those who resigned from the high command were implicated in the crisis, including General Hugo Salas Wenzel, army chief of staff and head of the now defunct National Intelligence Center

(CNI), and Gen. Gustavo Abarzua, director of military intelligence.

The operation came to light after the murder of Aurelio Sichel, a businessman and partner in the financing scheme who was killed after trying to take a million dollars of his money out of the illicit business.

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#90318d4750 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) - U.S. President George Bush said Wednesday the build up of U.S. forces in the Gulf was designed to create a ''credible option'' for military action against Iraq.

But he said no decision on this had yet been taken.

Bush met with a group of senators, who said afterwards that there was, for the time being, no need to discuss the Gulf crisis in a special session of Congress.

They said Bush listened without comment to their call not to wage war against Iraq before receiving approval from Congress.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said the Bush administration would abide by the constitution, which stipulates that only Congress has the right to declare war.

However, he noted that the 1973 War Power Resolution permits the despatch of U.S. forces into combat for a period of 90 days without approval by Congress.

Every president has considered this resolution unconstitutional since it was passed.

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#90318d5650 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 14) - NATO and the Warsaw Pact will formally "bury the Cold War hatchet" at a meeting in Paris next month, Secretary of State James Baker said Wednesday.

Briefing reporters on President George Bush's upcoming tour of Europe and the Middle East, he said the two military alliances would sign three accords which would mark the dawn of a new era in Europe.

To be signed are an agreement to reduce U.S. and Soviet conventional forces in Europe (CFE), another pledging non-aggression and one vowing closer ties between former adversaries.

The occasion will be a 34-nation meeting -- scheduled for November 19 to 21 in

Paris -- of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE), which groups all the nations of Europe, except Albania which will be attending as an observer, plus the United States and Canada.

"For the first time in 40 years, Europe will be meeting and discussing and planning without an artificial East-West divide to block progress," said Mr. Baker.

Twenty-two of the participants at the Paris gathering -- the 16-member North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and the six-nation Warsaw Pact -- will sign "a non-aggression declaration which will, in a sense, bury the Cold War hatchet," Mr. Baker said.

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#90318d5710 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DALLAS, Texas (NOV 14) - The World League of American Football (WLAF) will begin its inaugural season in March 1991 as planned, despite lingering questions as to the ownership and exact location of some of the teams.

"It was decided that the time to negotiate is over and that everything is in place and we need to go on with it," said WLAF president Mike Lynn following a meeting here Wednesday of league shareholders.

The WLAF will kick off a 10-week regular season on March 23, with 10 teams divided into three divisions.

The Europe division will feature teams from London, Barcelona (Spain) and Frankfurt (Germany).

The North America eastern division will be made up of New York, Montreal, Orlando (Florida) and a team from either Raleigh or Charlotte (North Carolina), while the western division will include Sacramento (California), San Antonio (Texas) and Birmingham (Alabama).

"For business reasons, the league will own and operate the London and Frankfurt franchises and will announced management groups for those franchises " Lynn said, addressing the concerns over lack of European owners.

The new league will announce the playing schedule by December 1, along with the site of the first World Bowl on June 9.

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#90318d5770 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 15) - The Bush administration is in no hurry to sign a proposed Trans-Atlantic Declaration with the European Community during next week's 35-nation European summit in Paris, according to a high-ranking

administration official Wednesday.

''Paris would be a convenient place in which it could be signed, but the schedule is already heavy,'' said the official. ''We are not hung to sign it in a particular place at a particular time.''

The declaration spells out a partnership between the United States and Western Europe based on changing developments and a continued expansion of the European Community.

The official confirmed that long-simmering trade issues are blocking the way.

''It has to do with the description of the Uruguay round,'' the official said in reference to the proposed declaration's stance on upcoming global trade talks.

E.C. Council President Giulio Andreotti came out of White House talks with President Bush Tuesday saying he was hopeful the declaration could be finalized in Paris. He also warned that failure at the Uruguay Round would result in ''serious damage'' particularly to less developed countries.

Agreement by early December is doubtful because the United States and the Common Market disagree on cutting agriculture subsidies for European farmers. The E.C. has proposed a 30 per cent reduction based on 1986 levels, and the United States is calling for cuts of 75 to 90 per cent.

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#90318d5830 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV 15) - Rioting and looting rocked the heart of Berlin for the second night this week after a peaceful protest march by 10,000 people turned ugly.

Store windows were smashed, cars overturned and at least one police vehicle was set afire in a raging street battle that lasted until early Thursday. Eyewitnesses said stores were looted.

The demonstration through the centre of what used to be East Berlin had been called to protest alleged police brutality in this week's concerted efforts to evict squatters from a total 16 delapidated buildings in the eastern half of the city.

Appeals for non-violence were made by the march's organizers, including Barbel Bohley, a activist from last year's pro-democracy movement in East Germany.

But once the march got underway, a hard core of militants began breaking windows and pelting police with petrol bombs and paving stones. Pacifists in the crowd staged an impromptu sit-down in a bid to defuse the situation, but to

no avail.

Police countered with tear gas and water cannons, sending thousands of choking people streaming in all directions, according to eyewitnesses. Scores of people were detained, and eyewitnesses said there were numerous injuries in clashes with police.

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#90318d5840 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV 15) - The Russian parliament on Wednesday defied the Soviet leadership by voting to invalidate a Soviet cabinet decision to free the prices of many luxury goods.

The move came a few days after the president of the Russian Republic, Boris Yeltsin, met with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and the two agreed to form a coalition administration that would include Yeltsin nominees.

The Russian Supreme Soviet, as the parliament is known, reacted only hours after Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov announced the price-decontrol measure.

The parliament justified its decision by saying the measure would have brought price increases that would have lowered the standard of living of many Russians.

The measure applied to a wide range of goods including furniture, furs, car parts, imported liquor, electronics and choice cuts of meat.

Also included was sturgeon, the fish whose eggs are eaten as caviar.

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#90318d5890 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ZURICH (NOV 15) - An Alitalia Dc-9 on a flight from Milan crashed into rugged woodlands on approach to Zurich's Kloten Airport in fog and drizzle Wednesday, killing all 40 passengers and six crew members, Swiss authorities said early Thursday.

The jetliner came down near the town of Stadlerberg, 10 kilometres from the airport.

Kloten air controllers had received no distress call, and the cause of the crash was unknown, said Cantonal Police Director Eugen Thomann.

By midnight 10 bodies had been recovered from the wreckage of the aircraft, which eyewitnesses said had been engulfed in a ball of fire in midair before it hit a wooded hillside.

The plane, with a passenger list of mostly Swiss, Italian and Japanese businessmen, sliced a 250-metre-long swath through trees before breaking up on the ground.

Wreckage from what is already being called the worst Swiss aviation accident since 1973 was strewn over a radius of 120 metres. Emergency crews were to resume sifting through the debris at daybreak.

The Dc-9-32, said to be about 20 years old, was carrying only about half its capacity when it left Milan's Linate Airport for a popular after-business hours flight to Zurich Wednesday evening.

Zurich Kloten air controllers said the plane was 10 kilometres northwest of the airport at an altitude of 600 to 700 metres when it vanished from their screens at 8:13 p.m. Despite drizzle and some ground fog, visibility was said to be good.

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#90318d6280 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 15) - The Science and Technology Agency Thursday approved construction of a low-level radioactive waste storage facility in Rokkasho-mura, in northern Japan's Aomori Prefecture, agency officials said.

Japan Nuclear Fuel Industries Co., Inc. will soon start construction of the facility to store about three million barrels of radioactive scrap and waste discharged from nuclear power plants, they said.

The facility will also include a uranium enrichment factory and a plant for reprocessing spent nuclear fuel.

The initial phase of construction, to be completed by December 1992, will hold 200,000 of the 200-litre (52-gallon) drums that will hold the waste.

About 450,000 barrels containing low-level radioactive waste are already being held at nuclear power stations, but the Rokkasho-mura site is expected to hold three million barrels when completed.

Japan's first commercial uranium enrichment factory, now in its final stages of construction, is expected to start operation next September.

The agency is still considering plans for the fuel reprocessing plant which a separate firm will begin to build in late 1991, in time for it to begin operating in 1995.

Japan now operates 39 nuclear power reactors, the agency said.

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#90318d6330 11/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 15) - So-called "sin taxes" and the general economic slowdown in the Philippines has caused a 64 percent decline in third quarter profits of San Miguel Corp. (SMC), a company report said Thursday.

The food and beverage firm posted a net income of 238 million pesos (8.5 million dollars) from July to September, down from 664 million pesos (23.7 million dollars) in the same period last year, the report said.

Consolidated net income for the first nine months of the year totalled 1.28 billion pesos (46 million dollars), down from 2.09 million pesos (75 million dollars) in the first nine months of 1989, it said.

The report said income from operations declined due to lower sales volume of beer in the third quarter compared to the same period last year, following a price increase.

The government in July raised levies on so-called "sin" products such as cigarettes and beer, whose ad valorem tax was raised to 50 percent from 37 percent.

The general economic slowdown, rising oil prices, mounting inflation and interest rates and a depreciating peso strained the company's sales and profitability, and was only partially offset by cost-cutting measures and improvements in the firm's other operations, the report added.

Consolidated sales rose by 16 percent to 10.53 billion pesos (376 million dollars) in the third quarter, and rose 17 percent to 31.16 billion pesos (1.11 billion dollars) in the first nine months of 1990, the report said.

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#90318f1652 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Western Digital	663,100	5 1/4	up 3/8
Conquest Explor	530,100	1 3/8	unch
Fruit of Loom	428,900	6 1/2	off 1/4
Energy Service	364,200	2 3/8	unch
AT & E Corp	351,400	2 7/8	off 1 7/8
Contl Air Hldgs	226,200	3 3/8	up 3/8
Stevens Grphc A	167,800	5 1/8	up 1/4
Baldwin Tech Co	160,300	4 3/8	up 3/8
Rhone Poulenc	156,500	10 1/4	up 1
Hasbro Inc	143,300	15	up 3/4

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#90318h0067 11/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LUSAKA (NOV. 14) XINHUA - FOUR WESTERN COUNTRIES HAVE WRITTEN OFF OVER 350 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR DEBTS OWED TO THEM BY ZAMBIA, FINANCE MINISTER OF STATE JOHN MIYATO TOLD PARLIAMENT TUESDAY.

HE SAID THAT CANADA, FRANCE, WEST GERMANY AND DENMARK HAVE "FORGIVEN" THE COUNTRY OF 385.2 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS OF DEBT.

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#90318h0121 11/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
TIRANA (NOV. 14) XINHUA - ALBANIA IS STEERING TOWARD CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES WHICH ARE EXPECTED TO STRENGTHEN THE POWERS OF THE PARLIAMENT.

THE MOVE WAS TAKEN BY THE PARLIAMENT IN ITS DECISION ON TUESDAY TO SET UP A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT COMMITTEE AFTER THE HEAD OF THE PARTY OF LABOR AND GOVERNMENT RAMIZ ALIA MADE A SPEECH ENDORSING THE IDEA.

IN HIS ADDRESS TO PARLIAMENT, ALIA DESCRIBED SOME CLAUSES IN THE CURRENT CONSTITUTION AS OUTMODED WHICH, HE SAID, HAD TO BE REPLACED BY NEW AMENDMENTS.

ALIA, WHO WILL HEAD THE COMMITTEE, STRESSED THAT THESE AMENDMENTS ARE AIMED AT GIVING A LARGER SAY TO THE PARLIAMENT BY DEFINING ITS NATURE AND FUTURE ROLE WITHIN THE LEGAL FRAMEWORK OF THE CONSTITUTION.

REFERRING TO ONE OF THE CLAUSES IN THE PRESENT CONSTITUTION WHICH STIPULATES THAT THE COMMUNIST PARTY CAN BE THE ONLY LEADING POLITICAL FORCE IN THE COUNTRY, ALIA SAID IT IS UNNECESSARY TO PUT THIS CLAUSE INTO THE CONSTITUTION, ARGUING HIS PARTY'S ROLE IS GUARANTEED BY ITS POLCIES, NOT BY LAWS.

INCLUDED IN ALIA'S SPEECH WERE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS FOR LIFTING BANS ON ACTIVITIES SUCH AS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FOREIGN-OWNED ENTERPRISES IN ALBANIA, GETTING LOANS FROM ABROAD, RELIGIOUS EXPRESSION AND MINORITY PEOPLES' RIGHTS.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES WORKED OUT BY THE COMMITTEE WILL BE DEBATED BY THE NEW PARLIAMENT FOLLOWING LEGISLATIVE ELECTIONS SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY NEXT YEAR.

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#90318h0122 11/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BELGRADE (NOV. 14) XINHUA - THE WORLD BANK WILL PROVIDE 198 MILLION DOLLARS IN LOANS TO YUGOSLVIA TO HELP MODERNIZE THE COUNTRY'S RAILWAYS AND BUILD INFRASTRUCTURE FOR TOURIST FACILITIES ALONG THE ADRIADIC COASTLINE.

THE LOAN WAS OFFERED IN AN AGREEMENT SIGNED BY THE YUGOSLAV EMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES DZEVAD MUJEZINOVIC AND EUGENIO LARI, HEAD OF THE EUROPEAN BUREAU OF THE WORLD BANK, TUESDAY IN WASHINGTON.

UNDER THE TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT, YUGOSLAVIA WILL BEGIN TO PAY BACK THE LOAN FIVE YEARS FROM NOW, AND HAS A TOTAL OF 15 YEARS AFTER THAT TO COMPLETE PAYMENT. THE WORLD BANK LOAN CARRIES AN INTEREST RATE OF 7.65 PERCENT.

YUGOSLAVIA IS SEEKING INTERNATIONAL AID IN AN ATTEMPT TO COMPENSATE FOR ITS ECONOMIC LOSSES CAUSED BY THE GULF CRISIS AND THE EFFECTS OF THE HEAVY DRAUGHT THE COUNTRY SUFFERED THIS YEAR.

PRESIDENT OF THE WORLD BANK BARBER CONABLE, IN HIS RECENT MEETING WITH MUJEZNOVIC, PROMISED THAT HIS BANK WILL GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO YUGOSLAVIA'S REQUESTS AND WILL CONTINUE TO GIVE FINANCIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL AID TO YUGOSLAVIA.

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#90318h0131 11/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 14) XINHUA - CHINA HAS INVESTED MORE THAN 600 MILLION YUAN THIS YEAR ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF GRANARIES WITH A TOTAL HOLDING CAPACITY OF 7.45 BILLION KG.

AN OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF THE STORAGE AND TRANSPORTATION OF FOODSTUFFS UNDER THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE SAID THAT THIS YEAR'S TOTAL GRAIN OUTPUT MAY HIT 420 BILLION KG.

SINCE CHINA HAS INCREASED ITS GRAIN PURCHASES AND REDUCED ITS VOLUME OF SALES, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRAIN STOCKPILED AT THE END OF OCTOBER INCREASED BY 25.65 BILLION KG OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

THE OFFICIAL SAID THAT AT PRESENT GRAIN STORAGE FACILITIES ARE IN SHORT SUPPLY IN CHINA AND CANNOT MEET THE STORAGE DEMANDS OF THE COUNTRY'S GRAIN RESERVES AND THE GRAIN PURCHASED FROM FARMERS. HE ADDED THAT MORE THAN HALF OF THE COUNTRY'S GRANARIES WERE BUILT BEFORE THE 1970S.

ACCORDING TO THE ONGOING NATIONAL GRAIN WORK CONFERENCE, ABOUT 70 PERCENT OF THE FIRST TWO GROUPS OF GRANARIES, WITH A COMBINED TOTAL CAPACITY OF 5.25 BILLION KG, HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND PUT INTO USE.

IN ADDITION, CHINA ALSO PLANS TO BUILD STOREHOUSES CAPABLE OF HOLDING 500 MILLION KG OF THE COUNTRY'S GRAIN RESERVES. MORE THAN 90 PERCENT OF THESE STOREHOUSES WILL BE COMPLETED THIS YEAR.

IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE STATE COUNCIL ALSO PLANS TO BUILD GRAIN STOREHOUSES WITH A TOTAL CAPACITY OF FIVE BILLION KG EACH YEAR DURING THE PERIOD OF THE EIGHTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN (1991-1995).

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#90318h0147 11/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
CARACAS (NOV. 14) XINHUA - PRESIDENT CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ TODAY INAUGURATED VENEZUELA'S FIRST INTERNATIONAL TOURISM CONFERENCE.

THE EVENT, SPONSORED JOINTLY BY THE VENEZUELAN TOURISM CORPORATION AND THE U.S. EMBASSY HERE, WILL CONTINUE UNTIL FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16 AND AIMS TO EXPAND AND PROMOTE INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR BOTH COUNTRIES THROUGH TOURISM.

THE CONFERENCE WILL ANALYZE THE GLOBAL TOURISM OUTLOOK, MARKET STRATEGIES FOR INTERNATIONAL TOURISM AND TRAVEL, THE CONTRIBUTION OF TOURISM TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF VENEZUELA AND U.S.-VENEZUELAN COOPERATION IN THIS AREA.

GLOBALY, TOURISM HAS DEVELOPED RAPIDLY OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS, BECOMING THE THIRD LARGEST GENERATOR OF REVENUE AFTER PETROLEUM AND THE AUTOMOBILE INDUSTRY.

LAST YEAR, HOWEVER, VENEZUELA ONLY ATTRACTED A MEAGER 411,849 FOREIGN TOURISTS OR 0.1 PERCENT OF GLOBAL TOURISM.

TO CHANGE THIS SITUATION, VENEZUELA PLANS TO INTENSIFY ITS TOURISM AND CAMPAIGNS TO BOOST ITS IMAGE ABROAD AND TO INVEST MORE IN HOTELS AND OTHER TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE.

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#90318h0148 11/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LUANDA (NOV. 14) XINHUA - ITALY WILL INVEST ONE MILLION U.S. DOLLARS ON AGRICULTURE IN THE BENGO PROVINCE IN NORTH ANGOLA, TODAY'S "ANGOLA DAILY" REPORTED.

THIS WAS ANNOUNCED BY FAUSTINO MUTECA, THE ANGOLAN AGRICULTURAL MINISTRY, THE PAPER SAID.

IN ADDITION, THE AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT AND THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE'S BANK WILL WORK OUT A LOANS AGREEMENT INVOLVING 27 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS WITH THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK, THE PAPER QUOTED THE MINISTER AS SAYING.

THE ANGOLAN GOVERNMENT HOPES TO USE THESE INVESTMENT AND LOANS TO REJUVENATE ITS AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, IMPROVE FOOD SUPPLY AND TRY TO FULFILL THE TARGETS SET BY THE GOVERNMENT'S OPERATION PROGRAM, THE PAPER ADDED.

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#90318h0155 11/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MEXICO CITY (NOV. 14) XINHUA - HONDURAS' FORMER CONSUL IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, TUESDAY DENIED CHARGES OF INVOLVEMENT IN THE TRAFFICKING OF CENTRAL AMERICAN CHILDREN FOR PAID ADOPTION IN THE UNITED STATES.

ACCORDING TO NEWS REPORTS PUBLISHED NOVEMBER 9 IN HONDURAS, FORMER CONSUL ROSARGENTINA PINEL CORDOBA HAS BEEN ACCUSED OF BEING ONE OF SEVERAL PEOPLE USING THEIR POSITION TO ACT AS CONTACTS FOR U.S. CITIZENS WILLING TO BUY CENTRAL AMERICAN CHILDREN.

NEWS REPORTS OUT OF THE CAPITAL OF TEGUCIGALPA SAID PINEL HAS IN TURN ACCUSED THE U.S. IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICES (INS) OF FRAMING HER IN ORDER TO PROTECT A U.S. FAMILY WHICH KIDNAPPED A HONDURAN GIRL AS PART OF AN ILLEGAL ADOPTION SCAM.

PINEL HAS ALSO CHARGED HONDURAN AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON JOSE RAMON HERNANDEZ ALCERRO OF BEING EASILY DUPED BY A PIECE OF OFFICIAL LOOKING PAPER BEARING THE SEAL OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WITHOUT HAVING MADE A PROPER INQUIRY INTO THE CASE.

PINEL WAS DISMISSED FROM HER POST ON NOVEMBER 9 ON THE REQUEST OF THE U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT BECAUSE OF THE ALLEGATIONS MADE AGAINST HER.

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#90318h0167 11/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (NOV. 14) XINHUA - THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC) HAS CALLED FOR A MAJOR REDISTRIBUTION OF LAND IN SOUTH AFRICA BY NATIONALIZING THE LAND SELECTIVELY.

THE CALL WAS CONTAINED IN AN ANC LAND COMMISSION WORKSHOP REPORT RELEASED IN SOUTH AFRICA TODAY. THE WORKSHOP WAS HELD IN SOUTH AFRICA LAST MONTH.

THE REPORT SAID THAT IN THE CONTEXT OF A MIXED ECONOMY THERE WOULD ONLY BE SELECTIVE NATIONALIZATION, AND THAT THE RE-DIS- TRIBUTION OF LAND WOULD BE BASED ON THE NEEDS OF LAND USERS.

THE 20-PAGE WORKSHOP REPORT REPRESENTS THE FIRST OF A SERIES OF ANC DOCUMENTS WHICH WILL FORM THE BASIS FOR DISCUSSIONS TOWARD A DEFINITIVE ANC LAND POLICY.

STATISTICS SHOW THAT MORE THAN 80 PERCENT OF THE POPULA- TION IN SOUTH AFRICA HAS BEEN ALLOCATED ONLY 15 PERCENT OF THE LAND. RECENT INVESTIGATIONS HAVE ALSO SHOWN THAT LAND ALLOCATED TO BLACK PEOPLE IS LESS ARABLE AND HAS LOWER CAPACITIES FOR GRAZING AND CROP FARMING THAN THAT ALLOCATED TO WHITES.

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CNN Specials November 9, 1990 (Transcript #12)

Syria -- Enemy of My Enemy: A special investigation of the ''unholy alliance'' between the U.S. and Syria which has come about since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Such troubling aspects of the ''friendship'' as Syria's sponsorship of terrorists and terrorist acts (the bombing of Pan Am 103), its human rights violations, aggression toward Lebanon and link with the capture of American hostages are examined. Experts comment on the fact that the U.S., by making ''the enemy of my enemy my friend,'' may be on the same dangerous road that led to Iraq's current position of strength and power in the Arab world and against the United States and its allies.

This Week with David Brinkley (ABC) November 11, 1990 (Transcript #472)

War in the Persian Gulf?: President Bush has almost doubled U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia, presumably to make it clear the U.S. is ready and willing to go to war. Will there be war and if so, who will declare it?

Crossfire (CNN) November 9, 1990 (Transcript #179)

The Debate About War: Scott Stanley Jr. of the Coalition for America at Risk and James Driscoll of Operation Real Security discuss whether or not the U.S. should go to war against Iraq. Saddam Hussein, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Ron Kovic Vietnam War, Kitty Genovese, Hungary, Dwight Eisenhower, Sen. Christopher Dodd (D-CT), Hafez al-Assad.

Nightline (ABC) November 9, 1990 (Transcript #2470)

What Americans Think About a Persian Gulf War: A look across the spectrum of public opinion on the deployment of U.S. troops to the Persian Gulf with political commentator Mark Shields and radio talk show host Rush Limbaugh. Al Dale, Maj. Gen. Thomas Rhame, Mike Fegan, Jolynn Carlton, Amanda Pratt, Emma Pratt.

Washington Week in Review (WETA) November 9, 1990 (Transcript #137)
  Discussion about recent elections, how Democrats are gaining in power, and the message voters are sending and concern over buildup of troops going into the Persian Gulf.

20/20 (ABC) November 9, 1990 (Transcript #1045)

''Lord of Discipline'' (accusations against the Challenger survival training camp for troubled teenagers); ''A Lifetime of Love'' (the strong bond between

an autistic savant and her sister); ''Everybody Hates Me'' (more than you wanted to know about cockroaches); ''Whatever Happened to H.R. Haldeman?'' (life after Watergate for Richard Nixon's Chief of Staff).

60 Minutes (CBS) November 11, 1990 (Transcript #2309)

''If Push Comes to Shove'' (the Army's new ADATS missile launcher doesn't work); ''I Thought I Was Covered'' (health insurance companies are increasingly finding excuses to deny benefits and cancel policies); ''Traficant'' (a profile of the noisy Congressman from Youngstown, Ohio); ''A Few Minutes With Andy Rooney'' (the price of product packaging).

Like It Is (WABC-TV) November 11, 1990 (Transcript #788)

Saving Our Schools: A look at how two public elementary schools -- P.S. 21 in Bedford-Stuyvesant and P.S. 127 in East Elmhurst -- defy the stereotype of an underachieving school. Attorney Joseph Fleming discusses a lawsuit for a multi-cultural curriculum.

Inside Albany November 11, 1990 (Transcript #210)

1990 Campaign Coverage: Interviews in New York City Tuesday night with the winners and the losers. A discussion of what the results show with politicians and two political science professors.

Business World (ABC) November 11, 1990 (Transcript #209)

Investing in Eastern Europe; Robert Hormats of Goldman Sachs; comparing 1932's depression with today's recession; art sales parallel Wall Street's prosperity.

Adam Smith's Money World November 9, 1990 (Transcript #706)

Housing Bust -- Real Estate, Recession, American Dream: How is recession and the threat of war in the Middle East affecting the real estate market nationwide?

Wall Street Journal Report November 11, 1990 (Transcript #424)

''Muni Matters'' (buying municipal bonds); ''Ad-Vice for Volvo'' (Volvo's disastrous TV ad); ''High Flying Fares'' (how to beat the higher cost of flying); ''At Your Service'' (corporate sponsors turn the USO around).

Newsmaker Saturday (CNN) November 10, 1990 (Transcript #34)

Noriega's Legal Tangle: A discussion of allegations that U.S. officials were illegally taping conversations between the former Panamanian leader and his lawyer, and how the situation might undermine U.S. policy in Central America.

Newsmaker Sunday (CNN) November 11, 1990 (Transcript #34)

Massive New Troop Build-Up in Gulf: Is the U.S. on the way to war against Iraq or is the President's massive new troop build-up designed mainly to scare Saddam Hussein into backing off?

Evans & Novak (CNN) November 10, 1990 (Transcript #34)

Mohamed al-Mashat, Iraqi Ambassador to the U.S.: The Iraqi Ambassador to the United States answers questions about President Bush's deployment of 200,000 additional troops to the Persian Gulf and other recent developments.

America's Black Forum November 10, 1990 (Transcript #6)

In the wake of President Bush's veto of the 1990 Civil Rights Act, this show looks at its history and the outlook for the future of affirmative action.

Health Week (CNN) November 10, 1990 (Transcript #40)

Military mortality and fitness in the army; studies on the effects of stress on health and mental condition; how to use simple techniques to lessen stress and improve life.

A World of Ideas with Bill Moyers November 11, 1990 (Transcript #236)

Seyyed Hossein Nasr: A scholar of Islamic studies at George Washington University who has written extensively on Islamic science, philosophy and art, Dr. Nasr says that with so many American troops poised for war on Islam's holy ground, we are all sitting on the edge of a precipice. There is also a discussion of the Islamic viewpoint that religion and secular society are one and the same, the relationship of Islam to other religions and cultures, the possibility for the coexistence of Islam with the rest of the world, and the spectrum of viewpoints of Islamic belief and action.

Larry King Live (CNN) November 9, 1990 (Transcript #167)

''The New York Daily News Strike'' (Barry Lipton, head of the Newspaper Guild of New York, debates John Sloan of the New York Daily News concerning problems affecting the paper and causing the strike); ''Crimes Against Prostitutes'' (a former prostitute and a director of a drug treatment center who allege that serious crimes committed against prostitutes are not prosecuted debate a police officer who disputes their charge).

Geraldo November 9, 1990 (Transcript #822)

The Brief Report -- America's Underwear Exposed: Jockey Underwear spokespeople

Jim Palmer and Bart Connor join ''real people'' underwear models to talk about taking most of it off -- what it's like to be photographed in your underwear.

Sally Jessy Raphael November 9, 1990 (Transcript #570)

Mother and Daughter Strippers: Strip tease artists discuss why they are teaching their daughters everyting they know about this art form.

Oprah Winfrey Show November 9, 1990 (Transcript #1085)

The Secret Life of Patty Duke: Patty Duke talks frankly about her mental illness, the abuse she suffered at the hands of her managers, losing her desire to live and her struggle to find the girl she left behind on her rise to fame.

Donahue November 9, 1990 (Transcript #3074)

Bo Jackson: Superathlete Bo Jackson talks about growing up as the neighborhood bully in Bessemer, Alabama, and how he came to channel his energy into football and baseball instead. Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Hugh Colerhouse, Jerry Gray, George Brett, Bo Knows Bo, Auburn, Kansas City Chiefs, Nike, Bo Diddley, Hanes, NCAA, locker rooms, women reporters, Robert Stevenson Elementary School Kevin Newin, Cameron Avery, Ashley Morris, Johnny Baily, Fresh Prince of Bel Air.

Weekend Travel Update November 11, 1990 (Transcript #8)

Tourists still crowd Universal Studios despite fires; tourist help in saving seals; is flying in the Grand Canyon dangerous?; bungee-jumping in New Zealand.

Monday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: War Resisters in Kennebunkport, Maine Sally Jessy Raphael: Knots Landing Geraldo: They Knew Them When... High School Friends of Celebrities Oprah Winfrey: The Oprah Winfrey Show Gallup Poll

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Nightline (ABC) November 12, 1990 (Transcript #2471)

Does Bush Have a Mandate for War?: As more troops don battle gear, Americans ask, ''Can a President go to war without a national debate?'' Has President Bush placed U.S. forces and the nation in a situation that Americans may not want? Voices are rising, asking for a national debate and a special session of Congress to conduct such a debate, to make sure we all understand U.S. policy and commitment in a Persian Gulf war don't end up with another Vietnam experience.

Korea -- The Unknow War (WGBH) November 12, 1990 (Transcript #101)

Many Roads to War: Explores the domestic forces inside Korea as well as the international forces that contributed to the outbreak of conflict along the 38th Parallel. It includes historical background on Korea, its annexation as a Japanese colony and its division after World War II -- with the Soviet Union occupying the North and the U.S. occupying the South.

Korea -- The Unknow War (WGBH) November 12, 1990 (Transcript #102)

An Arrogant Display of Strength: Documents the Communist victories in the early weeks of the war. Before United Nations forces are fully mobilized, Seoul falls. During these weeks General Dougles MacArthur spars with President Harry Truman over the goals of the war and America's policy toward its former ally, President Chiang Kai-shek. The program ends with the stage set for MacArthur's dramatic landing at Inchon.

Good Morning America (ABC) November 12, 1990 (Transcript #1151)

U.S. authorization for offensive option; avoiding layoff; science of warfare; America's legacy (Suddenly: The American Idea Abroad and at Home by George Will); Mapmaker, Mapmaker (Part 1) (cartography); lessons of war (Veteran's Day); Debbie Gibson interview; Robert Fulghum interview; the baby blues.

Larry King Live (CNN) November 12, 1990 (Transcript #168)
  ''Should the U.S. Fight a War With Iraq?'' (a debate about the wisdom of the U.S. entering into a war with Iraq, and this country's military preparedness for such a war); ''The Dilemma of a Mother in the Military'' (chooses to leave the service because of her children's needs).

Crossfire (CNN) November 12, 1990 (Transcript #180)

The NFL Says No to Arizona: Civil rights activist Julian Bond and syndicated columnist Cal Thomas discuss the possibility of the NFL disqualifying Arizona from hosting the 1993 Super Bowl because of its failure to pass a state holiday honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Sally Jessy Raphael November 12, 1990 (Transcript #571)

Knots Landing: Cast members of TV's Knots Landing discuss the show and the characters they portray. They also talk about their lives off the show and answer questions from the audience.

Oprah Winfrey Show November 12, 1990 (Transcript #1086)

The Oprah Winfrey Show Gallup Poll: Audience members compare their responses to questions about how well couples know each other to the responses received in a Gallup poll commissioned by The Oprah Winfrey Show.

Donahue November 12, 1990 (Transcript #3075)

War Resisters in Kennebunkport, Maine: Should the U.S. go to war in the Persian Gulf? Why are our troops there in the first place? Military resisters and citizens hold a public debate on war, patriotism and military service.

Geraldo November 12, 1990 (Transcript #823)

They Knew Them When... Celebrities' High School Friends: Geraldo talks to high school chums of celebrities such as Elvis, Dolly Parton, John Belushi, Jack Nicholson, Madonna, Bruce Springsteen, Marilyn Monroe, James Dean, Meryl Streep, David Letterman and himself.

Tuesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: East St. Louis, Illinois: Can a Dying City Be Saved? Sally Jessy Raphael: Cheat on Your Wife and Get Away With It? Geraldo: Committing Ferocious Crimes in the Name of the Devil Oprah Winfrey: Ex-Wives Warn the New Woman

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Nightline (ABC) November 13, 1990 (Transcript #2472)

Debating a Debate: Congressional support grows for a special session to explore U.S. policy in the Persian Gulf and for President Bush to lay out his specific goals for U.S. troops and military plans in the region. The White House is so far opposed to calling a special session or to an actual debate, referring only to ''consultation'' with the Congress.

Crossfire (CNN) November 13, 1990 (Transcript #181)

Let the Debate Begin: Senators John McCain (R-AZ) and Tim Wirth (D-CO) of the Armed Services Committee discuss whether President Bush should ask Congress for a declaration of war against Iraq and what Congress should decide.

Nova (WGBH) November 13, 1990 (Transcript #1716)

Killing Machines: The development of ''smart weapons,'' relying on superior technology to defeat larger, less sophisticated forces and the computer-driven high-technology weapons that could be used in the Persian Gulf.

Korea -- The Unknow War (WGBH) November 13, 1990 (Transcript #103)

These Is No Substitute for Victory: On September 15, 1950, General MacArthur's armada of 269 ships is poised off the port of Inchon, deep behind North Korean

lines. It is a risky but successful landing that within days turns the tide of the war. This program chronicles the key decision to cross the 38th Parallel and roll back communism and the failure of United States intelligence to anticipate Chinese intervention in the war. It draws to a close with the United Nations' forces being routed by the Chinese in late November.

Korea -- The Unknow War (WGBH) November 13, 1990 (Transcript #104)

An Entirely New War: By late November 1950, United Nations forces are on the verge of conquering the North and reuniting the peninsula. All this changes when the Chinese enter the war. This program examines the continuing tensions between President Harry Truman and General Douglas MacArthur that lead to the general's dismissal in April 1951. Demoralized United Nations troops are rallied by General Matthew Ridgway and a second Communist offensive ends just short of Seoul.

Good Morning America (ABC) November 13, 1990 (Transcript #1152)

Should Congress declare war?; the Noriega tapes; Mario Cuomo interview; credit life insurance; adding fuel to the ''Bonfire'' (new edition of Tom Wolfe's Bonfire of the Vanities); Mapmaker, Mapmaker (Part 2)(space-age technology for making maps); Carnal Knowledge revisited (Broadway production of movie); Julio Iglesias interview; the suitable jacket (fashion); Mel Harris interview.

Inside Corporate America (FNN) November 13, 1990 (Transcript #71)

Morton International: CEO Charles S. Locke, Bear Sterns' Associate Director Jeffery Cianci and Kathie Plourde, Vice- President of Lufkin & Jenrette discuss Morton International's present and future interests.

Larry King Live (CNN) November 13, 1990 (Transcript #169)

Suing for Psychological Damage: A debate on when people should be allowed to sue companies whose practices they claim have caused them psychological damage.

Sally Jessy Raphael November 13, 1990 (Transcript #572)

Cheat On Your Wife and Get Away With It?: A married man and his mistress share their points of view on adultery. Joe McCullough advises men on how to cheat and get away with it, while Margaret Kent advises women on how to keep their men from cheating.

Oprah Winfrey Show November 13, 1990 (Transcript #1087)

Ex-Wives Warn the New Woman: Ex-wives warn the new women in their men's lives. Dr. Sandra Kahn, author of The Ex-Wife Syndrome, explains why these ex-wives have not emotionally divorced from their ex-husbands.

Donahue November 13, 1990 (Transcript #3076)

East St. Louis, Illinois -- Can a Dying City Be Saved?: A discussion of the problems of poverty and decay in East St. Louis turns intno a public referendum on the success or failure of Mayor Carl E. Officer and his policies.

Geraldo November 13, 1990 (Transcript #824)

Committing Ferocious Crimes in the Name of the Devil: Cults and their sacrifices are discussed by parents and experts who have either been involved or had a family member involved in human or animal sacrifices. Some of these cult members are believed to be fueled in their beliefs by their use of drugs.

Wednesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Condoms for Kids (Easton, MD) Sally Jessy Raphael: A Chippendale/Penthouse Lingerie Party Geraldo: Male Makeovers Oprah Winfrey: Hollywood's Legendary Ladies

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#90318k0079 11/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 14) KYODO - SALES AT DEPARTMENT STORES IN TOKYO ROSE 7.1 PERCENT IN OCTOBER FROM THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR, THE JAPAN DEPARTMENT STORES ASSOCIATION SAID WEDNESDAY.

SALES AT THE 26 OUTLETS OF 14 DEPARTMENT STORE COMPANIES TOTALED 248.9 BILLION YEN.

THE 7.1 PERCENT RISE IS THE LOWEST THIS YEAR EXCEPT MARCH WHEN SALES WERE SLOW IN REACTION TO A HIGH LEVEL AMID A BUYING RUSH IN MARCH 1989 AHEAD OF THE APRIL INTRODUCTION OF THE CONSUMPTION TAX.

OFFICIALS ATTRIBUTED THE LOW GROWTH TO THE UNUSUALLY HOT WEATHER WHICH PUSHED DOWN SALES OF CLOTHES, A MAIN COMPONENT OF TOTAL SALES.

ANOTHER REASON CITED WAS THAT THERE WAS ONE LESS SUNDAY COMPARED WITH OCTOBER LAST YEAR.

"BUT EXCLUDING THESE FACTORS, OCTOBER'S ACTUAL RISE CAN BE CALCULATED TO BE 10 PERCENT," AN OFFICIAL AT THE ASSOCIATION SAID. "CONSUMER DEMAND CAN BE CONSIDERED TO BE REMAINING BRISK," HE ADDED.

COATS AND SUITS DID NOT SELL WELL AND KEPT THE RISE IN THE CLOTHING SECTOR TO A MODEST 4.6 PERCENT. HOWEVER, SALES OF PAINTINGS AND PRECIOUS METALS WERE BRISK AND PUSHED UP THE RISE IN THE SUNDRY GOODS SECTOR TO 10.9 PERCENT.

SALES OF FURNITURE ROSE A HIGH 11.6 PERCENT, WHILE BRISK SALES OF TABLEWARE CONTRIBUTED TO A 12.2 PERCENT INCREASE IN THE HOUSEHOLD UTENSIL SECTOR.

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#90318k0101 11/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 14) KYODO - TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. REPORTED TO THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY WEDNESDAY THAT IT WILL RECALL ABOUT 515,000 CARS WITH DEFECTS.

THE MAJOR JAPANESE AUTOMAKER SAID NO ACCIDENTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE DEFECTS HAVE BEEN REPORTED.

THE COMPANY SAID THE CARS TO BE RECALLED WILL INCLUDE 13 MODELS, INCLUDING THE CORONA 1500 AND THE CARINA 2000, WHICH WERE PRODUCED AND SOLD BETWEEN DECEMBER 1987 AND LAST FEBRUARY.

THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY SAID THE FLOOR PLATE FOR THE SIDE BRAKE IS NOT STRONG ENOUGH AND TENDS TO DEVELOP CRACKS.

THE DEFECTS WERE FIRST REPORTED BY A TOYOTA DISTRIBUTOR IN IRELAND LAST JULY, THE COMPANY SAID.

IT IS THE THIRD-LARGEST RECALL SINCE 1969. A TOTAL OF ABOUT 774,000 CARS WERE RECALLED IN 1970 AND ABOUT 528,000 UNITS IN 1969.

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#90318k0114 11/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

JAKARTA (NOV. 14) KYODO - INDONESIA'S LEADING HUMAN RIGHTS MOVEMENT LEADER JOHANNES PRINCEN ON WEDNESDAY ANNOUNCED A PLAN TO FORM A NEW INDEPENDENT, FREE TRADE UNION IN DECEMBER.

PRINCEN SAID AT LEAST 5,000 WORKERS THROUGHOUT INDONESIA HAVE AGREED SO FAR TO JOIN THE NEW UNION.

BUT IT IS NOT KNOWN WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT HAS APPROVED THE PLAN TO ESTABLISH AN INDEPENDENT LABOR UNION.

INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT INTEGRATED 21 BIG INDUSTRIAL UNIONS INTO ONE GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED ALL INDONESIAN LABOR FEDERATION UNION (FBSI) IN 1973. THIS ORGANIZATION WAS CHANGED INTO THE ALL INDONESIA LABOR UNION (SPSI) IN 1985 BY GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION. THE SPSI IS THE SOLE TRADE UNION IN THE COUNTRY APPROVED BY A 1985 LAW ON PUBLIC ORGANIZATION REGULATIONS.

THE PROPOSED FREE TRADE UNION, NAMED "SETIA KAWAN" (LITERALLY "SOLIDARITY OF FRIENDS"), WILL BE THE FIRST FREE TRADE UNION SINCE 1973.

PRINCEN, A NATURALIZED INDONESIAN CITIZEN AND FORMER DUTCH SOLDIER WHO FOUGHT IN THE 1945-1949 INDEPENDENCE WAR AGAINST THE DUTCH, SAID THAT THE LABOR UNION MUST BE FREE FROM THE INFLUENCE OF EMPLOYERS AND THE GOVERNMENT.

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#90318k0117 11/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 14) KYODO - BENIN'S PRIME MINISTER NICEPHORE SOGLO ON WEDNESDAY SOUGHT FURTHER ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FROM JAPAN FOR HIS WEST AFRICAN COUNTRY, FOREIGN MINISTER OFFICIALS SAID.

SOGLO, MEETING FOREIGN MINISTER TARO NAKAYAMA AT THE MINISTRY'S IIKURA GUESTHOUSE, SAID HIS COUNTRY HAS PROMOTED ITS POLICY OF ECONOMIC STRUCTURAL ADJUSTMENT SINCE IT ABOLISHED THE 17-YEAR-OLD COMMUNIST RULE LAST DECEMBER, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

SOGLO WAS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT HE EXPECTS CLOSER RELATIONS WITH JAPAN IN THE PROCESS OF ECONOMIC REFORM.

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS, NAKAYAMA TOLD THE PRIME MINISTER THAT JAPAN WILL DECIDE ON HOW TO HELP THE NATION WITH ITS ECONOMIC REFORMS WHILE OBSERVING NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN BENIN AND THE WORLD BANK.

EARLIER IN THE DAY, MADAGASCAR'S FOREIGN MINISTER JEAN BEMANANJARA MET NAKAYAMA AND TOLD HIM THAT PRESIDENT DIDIER RATSIRAKA WANTS TO VISIT JAPAN. HE ALSO ASKED NAKAYAMA TO SEND MEMBERS OF THE JAPAN OVERSEAS COOPERATION VOLUNTEERS TO HELP THE COUNTRY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

NAKAYAMA WAS QUOTED AS REPLYING THAT HE WILL INSTRUCT THE MINISTRY CONCERNED TO STUDY THE REQUESTS.

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#90318k0124 11/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 14) KYODO - ECUADOR AND THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC ON WEDNESDAY EXPRESSED HOPES OF HAVING CLOSER ECONOMIC COOPERATION WITH JAPAN, FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

ECUADORIAN VICE PRESIDENT LUIS PARODI VALVERDE AND DOMINICAN VICE PRESIDENT CALROS MORALES TRONCOSO EXPRESSED THEIR HOPES IN SEPARATE MEETINGS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER TARO NAKAYAMA AT THE IIKURA GUESTHOUSE.

MORALES SAID HIS COUNTRY WANTS TO HAVE CLOSER ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL TIES WITH JAPAN TO HELP DEVELOP THE CARIBBEAN COUNTRY.

NAKAYAMA REPLIED JAPAN WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC WITH FINANCIAL GRANTS AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION.

FOLLOWING A MEETING WITH MORALES, NAKAYAMA MET PARODI AND TOLD HIM THAT THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WILL CONSIDER EXTENDING GRANTS TO ECUADOR AFTER THE GOVERNMENT HAS FULLY STUDIED THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC SITUATION AND CONDITIONS.

NAKAYAMA ALSO SAID JAPAN HAS ADMIRED ECUADOR'S EFFORTS TO RECONSTRUCT ITS ECONOMY.

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#90318k0128 11/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 14) KYODO - CHILE WANTS JAPANESE BANKS TO PURCHASE NATIONAL BONDS ISSUED TO HELP FINANCE ITS ECONOMY, HIT BY THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS, CHILEAN FOREIGN MINISTER ENRIQUE SILVA CIMMA SAID WEDNESDAY.

SILVA CIMMA, IN TALKS WITH HIS JAPANESE COUNTERPART, TARO NAKAYAMA, SAID THE GULF CRISIS HAS SERIOUSLY DAMAGED THE ECONOMY, WHICH IMPORTS 75 PERCENT OF ITS OIL, JAPANESE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT ISSUED THE BONDS IN AN ANTIRECESSIONARY MOVE AND HAS ASKED PRIVATE BANKS IN CHILE TO BUY THEM, HE SAID. HE TOLD NAKAYAMA HE EXPECTS JAPANESE BANKS WILL ACCEPT 320 MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF THE FIVE-YEAR BONDS.

NAKAYAMA SAID JAPAN WILL CONSIDER EXTENDING YEN LOANS TO THE SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRY, BASED ON REPORTS MADE BY A JAPANESE RESEARCH MISSION SENT THERE IN SEPTEMBER.

SILVA CIMMA STRESSSED CHILE IS FOLLOWING AN OPEN, FREE ECONOMIC POLICY, AND ALSO AN OPEN POLICY ON INVESTMENT.

BOTH MINISTERS, PLEDGING TO TIGHTEN BILATERAL TIES, AGREED UPON A VISIT TO JAPAN IN THE NEAR FUTURE BY PRESIDENT PATRICIO AYLWIN. HE ASSUMED OFFICE IN MARCH AFTER THE FIRST DEMOCRATIC ELECTION SINCE 1973, WHEN FORMER PRESIDENT AUGOSTO PINOCHET TOOK POWER IN A BLOODY MILITARY COUP.

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#90318k0133 11/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 14) KYODO - FOREIGN MINISTER TARO NAKAYAMA ON WEDNESDAY WELCOMED THE SETTING-UP OF THE JAPAN-COLOMBIA ECONOMIC COMMITTEE TO PROMOTE TRADE AND INVESTMENT TIES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

NAKAYAMA WELCOMED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMMITTEE, SET UP ON TUESDAY AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS (KEIDANREN), WHEN HE MET COLOMBIAN VICE PRESIDENT AND FOREIGN MINISTER LUIS FERNANDO JARAMILLO AT THE IIKURA GUESTHOUSE.

JARAMILLO SAID THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED COMMITTEE IS VERY USEFUL FOR COLOMBIA AS

BOGOTA HAS RELAXED CONTROLS ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN THE LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRY.

THE COLOMBIAN VICE PRESIDENT SAID COLOMBIA WILL BE CHAIRMAN OF THE SO-CALLED "RIO GROUP" OF 11 LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES NEXT YEAR, ADDING BOGOTA WANTS THE GROUP TO HOLD A MEETING WHICH WILL FOCUS ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE GROUP AND JAPAN.

THE GROUP, WHOSE FIRST SUMMIT MEETING WAS HELD IN ACAPULCO IN MEXICO IN 1987, COMPRISES ECUADOR, CHILE, PARAGUAY, BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, URUGUAY, PERU, ARGENTINA, VENEZUELA, COLOMBIA AND MEXICO.

TOUCHING ON PACIFIC-RIM COOPERATION, JARAMILLO SAID COLOMBIA HOPES TO BE MEMBERS OF VARIOUS ASIA-PACIFIC COMMITTEES TO STRENGTHEN ITS TIES IN THAT AREA.

NAKAYAMA SAID JAPAN AND ASIAN-PACIFIC COUNTRIES WILL CONSIDER CONDITIONS FOR COLOMBIA TO BE ALLOWED ON THE COMMITTEES, ADDING JAPAN HOPES TO VITALIZE ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES FACING THE PACIFIC.

REFERRING TO AN INTERNATIONAL COFFEE ACCORD, NAKAYAMA AND JARAMILLO AGREED THAT JAPAN AND COLOMBIA WOULD SHARE A COMMON POLICY IN TRYING TO RESTORE QUOTAS ON EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF COFFEE SCRAPPED LAST SEPTEMBER.

TURNING TO ILLEGAL COCAINE PRODUCTION IN COLOMBIA, NAKAYAMA PRAISED THE COLOMBIAN GOVERNMENT WHICH HE SAID WAS MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO RESOLVE THE NARCOTICS PROBLEM.

JARAMILLO REPLIED THAT THE NEW GOVERNMENT, LED BY PRESIDENT CESAR GAVIRIA, WAS CONTINUING THE POLICIES OF FORMER PRESIDENT VIRGILIO BARCO VARGAS IN ITS ATTEMPTS TO CRACKDOWN ON COCAINE PRODUCTION.

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"The 1990s are going to be known as a high-interest rate era - there's nothing the Federal Reserve can do about it," says MARK SKOUSEN, author of "Economics on Trial." His says if the Fed attempts to ease to artificially lower rates, "the dollar's going to crash, and it's just going to hurt our economy." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/13)

"To really ease, the Fed has to ... provide more reserves to the banking system," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC."

"They have done no such thing for months now and we're really in a very dangerous situation unless" they do. "The Federal reserve is afraid to let rates come down a lot. They're afraid of the dollar, they're afraid of a lot of instability in interest rates and all kinds of things like that. ... It does create an inflationary risk over the longer run, but that is a requirement now to stabilize the economy. Otherwise, I think we could really get a fairly severe downturn. ... I think the Fed will create reserves in the banking system, but they sure haven't done it so far. It's too late to prevent a recession, but it's not too late to prevent something very serious from happening." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/13)

"I think the Fed is going to lower interest rates," says THOMAS SYNNOTT of U.S. TRUST CO. He says the decline in capacity utilization is "concrete and broad-based evidence of weakness we've seen before." ("Nightly Business Report", 11/13)

"The Fed has a lot of power if it wants to take a risk with inflation," says ROBERT EGGERT, president of BLUE CHIP ECONOMIC INDICATORS. "It can lower interest rates and stimulate the economy and housing." But such a move would bring on the risk of "some pretty severe inflation, maybe as much as double digits," says Eggert. ("Investor's Daily", 11/14)

It's almost guaranteed, economists say, that the Fed's downward pressure on short-term rates will force banks to cut their prime rates to 9.75% or 9.5% from 10% in the next few weeks. "If the banks didn't, they'd be in for some heavy jawboning from the Fed and the media," says WAYNE GANTT, an Atlanta economist. ("USA Today", 11/14)

"The tax package last week is going to do enough to this economy for the Fed to want to counteract it pretty much immediately," says TIM SCALA of SEQUOR GROUP. "The evidence really suggests that we're in a pretty good slowdown, if not a recession now." He expects a reduction in the discount rate, which has not been changed since February of 1989. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/13)

"We don't feel it's a good time to make long-term commitments to the bond market," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN JR., director of money market research for DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. The reason for this, he says, is "because the federal budget deficit will remain large indefinitely and the Treasury will continue to issue huge amounts of government debt in 1991 and 1992. ... I'm fearful that over time, the constant barrage of Treasury funding will push down prices on long-term bonds." Mr. Sullivan is also concerned about the effect of the weaker dollar. "If the dollar continues to lose ground it will produce an exodus of foreign investors' money from our long-term bond market." He suggests that investors "look at intermediate Treasuries that have maturities of three to seven years." ("USA Today", 11/14)

THE ECONOMY:

"My best guess on a business slump is longer rather than shorter, deeper rather than shallower and sooner rather than later," says JAMES GRANT of GRANT'S INTEREST RATE OBSERVER. He says the current downturn is a first in the post-war years: "a spontaneous, market- driven credit contraction, as opposed to those ... induced by the Fed." ("Investor's Daily", 11/14)

"What we're saying is that the fourth quarter will be as negative as the third quarter was positive," says THOMAS CARPENTER, vice president and chief economist for ASB CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. ("The Washington Post", 11/14)

"The evidence of a recession is now unambiguous," says GORDON RICHARDS, an economist for the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS. (WSJ, 11/14)

Industrial production dropped 0.8% in October. "This is another bit of evidence that should tip the Fed toward easing" interest rates, says RICHARD PEACH, an economist for the MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA. "This is one more indication that the economy has slipped into a recession." ("The Washington Post", 11/14)

"The steep decline in industrial production in October demonstrates that the economy is now entering the free-fall stage," says GORDON RICHARDS of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS. "The evidence of recession is now unambiguous." (NYT, 11/14)

BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC," says the 0.8% decline in industrial production "indicates very clearly that the recession was in a recession in October. There are no ifs, ands or buts about that: It was in a recession and in a very steep recession, too." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/13)

The industrial production figures "are rotten numbers," says JAMES ANNABLE, chief economist at FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO. "Basically, what's happening -- and it's showing up in spades in the industrial production numbers -- is the economy's ability to generate income and keep spending going was just dealt a body blow by higher oil prices." (WSJ, 11/14)

In this productivity report, "almost everything was negative at the same time " says NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY's ROBERT DIELI. "The breadth of this decline is what some people consider a clinching" argument that we are in a recession, according to Dieli. (NYT, 11/14)

The industrial production report means "it's now crystal clear the economy is in a recession," says economist MARK VITNER of BARNETT BANKS. "There's not even a question of whether the Fed will ease." ("USA Today", 11/14)

"The manufacturing sector is certainly battening down the hatches," says STEPHEN ROACH of MORGAN STANLEY. He says the problems are "across the board." Roach believes that businesses are "ahead of the game, taking the tough

medicine sooner rather than later." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/13)

"Everyone has been going into a precautionary stance," says EQUITABLE LIFE INSURANCE's FRANCIS SCHOTT. "Inventory has been cut [and] personnel have been cut." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/13)

IN WASHINGTON:

The GATT talks are "a lose-lose game then for the United States and all our trading partners," says JEFFREY SCHOTT of the INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS. Disagreements over agriculture subsidies are holding up agreements on other issues. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/13)

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#90318p6568 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - British Airways (NYSE: BAB) today announced a net profit for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of 116 million pounds sterling ($217 million), up 9.4 percent, and for the half year of 227 million pounds ($425 million), up 35 percent.

Revenues for the quarter were 1.4 billion pounds ($2.6 billion), up 4.6 percent and for the half year 2.7 billion pounds ($5.1 billion), up 8.7 percent from the prior year.

Chairman Lord King said the results indicated that the airline had so far been able to withstand the problems currently facing the industry.

He pointed out, however, that given current trading and expenditure levels, the airline did not expect a positive contribution in the second half of the year.

Earnings per American Depositary Share (ADS) for the second quarter rose 9.5 percent to 1.61 pounds ($3.01); and for the six months up 35.2 percent to 3.15 pounds ($5.89).

The board of British Airways has approved an interim dividend of 31.7 pence (62.5 cents) per ADS, payable on Jan. 18, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 10, 1990.

Group revenue for the half year increased 8.7 percent to 2.7 billion pounds ($5.1 billion) from 2.5 billion pounds.

The operating surplus for the quarter fell 6 percent to 158 million pounds ($296 million) and for the half 3.8 percent to 281 million pounds ($525 million), as a result of foreign exchange movements, poor performance in September due to the Gulf crisis, and acquiring aircraft on operating leases which bring the financing charges above the line.

Airline operating costs in the quarter increased 7.1 percent to 1.2 billion pounds ($2.2 billion) and in the half year by 11.4 percent to 2.4 billion pounds ($4.5 billion). Staff costs rose 3.5 percent in the quarter and 7.9 percent in the half year.

Forward cover and exchange rate benefits limited the increase in fuel costs to 7.4 percent for both the quarter and the half year. Fuel prices in the second quarter, however, increased 21 percent over the same period last year. Revenue passenger miles increased 11.5 percent for the quarter and 12.3 percent for the half year.

Capital and reserves at Sept. 30, 1990, including 320 million pounds ($598 million) convertible capital bonds issued in October 1989, amounted to 1.4 billion pounds ($2.7 billion), compared with 894 million pounds a year ago, up 60.4 percent. Net debt:total capital ratio was 24.3 percent.

Lord King said that British Airways saw no reason to be deflected from its strategy of becoming a global airline and delivering a strong and consistent financial performance.

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#90318p6571 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - General Electric Company (NYSE: GE) and Thorn EMI plc announced today the signing of an agreement under which the two companies will form a new U.K. lamp company. GE will also buy Thorn Lighting's principal European light source interests outside the United Kingdom.

GE will have a 51 percent interest and take management control of the new company, GE-Thorn Lamps, Ltd. The two organizations will collaborate on lamp marketing and distribution, and after three years, Thorn EMI's minority interest will transfer to GE.

Price of the transaction to GE is $138 million, payable over three years. Thorn Lighting will enter into a contract to supply distribution and sales administration services to the new company.

Under the agreement, which is subject to certain conditions, including approval by regulatory authorities, GE will acquire the Thorn Lighting lamp manufacturing facilities at Enfield (North London) and Leicester, the Thorn EMI Lamps & Components operation at Mitcham (Surrey), and Omega Lighting at New Malden (Surrey). These will form the new company. GE will also acquire Thorn's 100 percent interest in Gluhlampenfabrik Jahn in Germany, as well as

Thorn's 51 percent investment in SIVI Illuminazione in Italy.

Thorn's incandescent lamp facilities at Merthyr (Mid-Glamorgan), Preston (Lancs) and Rodney (near Wimbledon), which Thorn Lighting had been restructuring, will be retained by Thorn. Thorn Lighting will continue to own the facilities and have responsibility for employees at these plants. GE-Thorn Lamps will provide management assistance at these facilities and source lamps from Thorn Lighting for up to four years.

GE Thorn Lamps will be responsible for marketing the products from all these U.K. facilities. It will be licensed to use the Thorn brand on lamps and will own the rights to other Thorn EMI-owned trademarks -- such as the successful Mazda brand -- relating to lamps. Marketing in Europe will be carried out through GE's existing organization.

Thorn Lighting will retain its international business in light fixtures, which will be further strengthened by its association with GE's global light source operation.

Thorn's 20 percent interest in the Australian lamp manufacturer, Elma, is not included in the agreement. Thorn is in discussion with separate purchasers regarding other peripheral interests outside the U.K.

Ge has 13 major businesses, one of which is lighting. In 1989, GE had revenues of about $55 billion, including nearly $7 billion in Europe, and net earnings of nearly $4 billion. The company's strategy is to strengthen its key businesses through internal investments, acquisitions and alliances, such as today's announcement of the GE-Thorn venture.

Thorn EMI, based in the United Kingdom, is an international company with operations in 43 countries. Its principal businesses are rental and music, as well as lighting, and it also has substantial operations in security, software electronics and recorded music retailing (HMV). Thorn EMI employs about 56,000 people. Its 1989/90 turnover was in excess of $7.4 billion.

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#90318p6573 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUMBLE, TEXAS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Marin Fund Inc. (OTC) ("Marin") reported gross revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $1,630,567 representing a 58 percent increase over third quarter 1989 revenues of $1,029,196. Net income for the quarter totaled $71,568 as compared to a net loss of ($92,885) in the third quarter of 1989. Revenue for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $4,197,384 as compared to $2,582,477 for the like period in 1989. The increase was primarily associated with a 99 percent

improvement in hardware/peripheral sales (from $2,032,292 to $4,045,884). Net income for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $101,363 as compared to losses of ($226,133) for the like period in 1989.

Gross profits as a percentage of revenue totaled 21 percent compared to third quarter 1989 levels of 20 percent. General and administrative expenses totaled $272,009 in the third quarter of 1990 as compared to $228,888 in 1989 as a result of increased marketing expenses. Marketing expenses during the third quarter of 1990 increased to $90,680 from third quarter 1989 levels of $62,290. A moderate increase in marketing expenses is expected in the fourth quarter of 1990, as MBSI continues to expand its advertising campaign.

Management of the company believes that third quarter sales have softened due to the outlook of a recession and the crisis in the Persian Gulf. In August, at the start of the Persian Gulf crisis, MBSI received in excess of $120,000 of cancellations for pending business. The company believes that fourth quarter revenues will suffer from the economic climate. Furthermore, Apple Computer Inc., has revamped its product line-up, discontinuing three models and introducing three replacements in October which has affected the company's operations. Historically, when Apple has made similar adjustments, the marketplace has become confused and product sales suffer temporarily. Although, management of the company had expected significant growth in the fourth quarter of 1990 over third quarter results, the crisis in the Persian Gulf, the deteriorating economy and the product line-up changes by Apple will adversely affect the rate of growth of revenues and profits. Fourth quarter 1990 results are expected to be comparable to the third quarter 1990.

Marin Fund, through its operating subsidiary, Micro Business Solutions Inc., is engaged in the sale of computer hardware, peripherals and software for the Apple Macintosh computer and specializes in system integration under the tradename "Software and Hardware That Fits."

The common stock of Marin Fund is traded in the over-the-counter market and is listed in the "Pink Sheets" published by the National Quotation Bureau.

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#90318p6577 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Andrew Jergens Company today announced the introducton of ActiBath, the world's first carbonated bath tablet and a revolutionary advance in the bath additive category. ActiBath tablets carbonate warm bath water providing a soothing experience similar to that of the natural carbonated springs of the great European spas.

Earlier this month, Jergens launched a $15 million marketing and advertising launch campaign -- the largest in the history of the category -- to promote

ActiBath. National print and broadcast advertising, sampling programs and coupon offers will communicate the product's unique ability to infuse bath water with carbon dioxide, creating a carbonated bath like the great spas of Europe.

In clinical studies, carbonated water, in contact with the skin, has been shown to increase blood circulation in capillaries, helping to relieve fatigue tension and minor aches and pains.

ActiBath carbonates bath water up to 120 parts per million. It also helps soften and smooth the skin without any trace of oiliness or greasiness. ActiBath turns the water into a pleasant caribbean blue color and is lightly scented. It is available in three fragrances: Blue Forest, Spring Floral and Light and Fresh. The Origins Of ActiBath

ActiBath was developed in Japan by Jergens' parent company, Kao Corporation, where it was introduced to Japanese consumers in 1983 under the brand name Bub. It quickly became the country's leading bath additive product and today it accounts for one-third of all bath additive sales in Japan.

Kao researchers determined that carbon dioxide dissolved in water is easily absorbed by the skin and helps increase circulation. The increased blood flow brings more nutrients to the skin and muscles; the bather experiences relief from aches, pains, soreness and fatigue.

ActiBath carbonates bath water. When dropped into warm bath water, a single ActiBath tablet effervesces for about six to seven minutes, "charging" the bath water with carbon dioxide. When the effervescing bubbles disappear, the bath water is carbonated. ActiBath and the Bath Additive Category

The bath additive market is large and growing. In 1989, sales were $450 million and have grown at a rate of 12 percent annually since 1983, almost doubling in that time period. Despite its growth, few new products have joined the category and those new additions have tended to be line extensions of existing products or brand extensions from well-known names associated with other sectors of the larger skin care category.

ActiBath was tested in the Minneapolis/St. Paul market beginning in 1988. According to Nielsen food audits, it has become the leading bath additive product in the Twin Cities.

ActiBath has also proven that it can renew interest and excitement in the bath additive category as a whole. Nine months after its launch in Western markets (Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Washington) in June 1989 category sales were up 14 percent. A year earlier, prior to the ActiBath launch, they had been down nearly 5 percent.

ActiBath will be available wherever health and beauty aids are sold including

supermarkets, mass merchandisers and drug stores. It will be sold at an average price of $2.99 for a five tablet box and $4.99 for a 10 tablet box. To encourage trial during the launch period, single tablet will be available at special retail displays for 59 cents.

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#90318p6588 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Alliant Techsystems (NYSE: ATK) today reported a net loss of $6.6 million for the third quarter of 1990 compared with net income of $6.7 million for the same period a year ago when the company was still part of Honeywell Inc (NYSE: HON). The loss is primarily the result of transaction costs totalling $9.1 million which were related to Alliant Techsystems' spinoff from Honeywell Inc. on Sept. 28, 1990. Alliant Techsystems consists of the former Defense and Marine Systems Business, Test Instruments Division and Signal Analysis Center of Honeywell.

"Our performance was in line with our expectations as we prepared to launch the company," said Toby G. Warson, president and chief executive officer. "We incurred a number of one-time costs directly related to our spinoff from Honeywell, and now are well-positioned to begin life as an independent company."

For the first nine months of 1990, the company said net income was $7.3 million, compared with $26.0 million the previous year.

Alliant Techsystems' sales for the third quarter 1990 were $212.2 million compared with $255.3 million a year earlier. For the first nine months of 1990, sales were $77.6 million compared with $813.5 million a year ago.

Warson said lower sales for the period primarily were the result of temporary delays on several programs, which have been corrected. "We expect a significant increase in fourth quarter 1990 revenues compared to our third quarter 1990 results," said Warson.

Alliant Techsystems' operating profit for the third quarter was $9.5 million, compared with $11.5 million a year earlier. For the first nine months of 1990 operating profit was $33.2 million, compared with $42.5 million in 1989.

Alliant Techsystems supplies high-quality precision armament, ordnance, marine and information storage systems to the United States Government and its allies. In 1989, the company had revenues of $1.3 billion and net income of $42 million. With headquarters in Minnetonka, Minn., Alliant Techsystems employs 8,000 people throughout the United States.

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#90318p6590 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Baybanks, Inc. (NASDAQ: BBNK) today announced BayBank Business Banker, an easy-to-use, electronic cash management system for businesses. Customers using this new system will have convenient access to timely information about their BayBank accounts directly from a personal computer.

With this new system, customers can collect, display, and print up-to-date BayBank account data, and initiate funds transfers, directly from their office PC and eliminate a call or visit to the bank. These cash management functions and others are all found in the BayBank Business Banker package available for IBM AT(R) and XT, or compatible, PCs and Hayes(R), or compatible, modems.

"Baybanks Business Banker is a strategic tool that provides business owners with quick access, through a PC, to up-to-date BayBank account information whenever they need it, seven days a week," said Joseph V. Roller, executive vice president, BayBank Boston.

"Using BayBank Business Banker, business owners, managers, and financial officers can collect, analyze, and process the banking information needed to manage and monitor their cash flow. With a few keystrokes, customers can check their BayBank account balances instantly to determine if they should invest excess funds or borrow to meet future obligations, for example," notes Roller.

BayBank Business Banker is now available. For more information about this cash management system for businesses call the BayBank Corporate Service Center at 1-800-833-3336 or 1-800-323-3101.

BayBanks, Inc. is one of the largest bank holding companies in New England with more than $10.2 billion in total assets as of Sept. 30, 1990. With more than 215 offices located across New England, BayBanks offers a complete range of commercial banking products and services to businesses.

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#90318p6592 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA BARBARA, CALIF. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Geodynamics Corp. (NASDAQ: GDYN) has announced that David P. Nelson was named vice president of finance at a recent board of directors meeting.

Nelson recently joined Geodynamics Corp. as chief financial officer, with an

extensive experience as a commercial banker, treasurer and chief financial officer in aerospace, manufacturing and services. Nelson has had extensive involvement in contracts administration, treasury, planning and management information systems, as well as financial control systems and public offerings.

Nelson holds a bachelor of arts and master of arts in economics. He and his family are residents of Van Nuys.

Geodynamics Corp. provides sophisticated systems engineering and custom application software in support of U.S. Government intelligence and military programs.

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#90318p6594 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Herbalife International Inc. (NASDAQ: HERB) reported today a net loss for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 of $446,000 or $.02 per share on total sales before distributor allowances of $33,989,000, compared to a net loss of $617,000 or $.03 per share on sales of $26,263,000, for the same period last year. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Herbalife had a loss of $326,000 or $.02 per share on sales of $106,376,000, compared to a profit of $3,391,000 or $.17 per share on sales of $94,063,000 for the same period last year. Herbalife is a multinational marketing company of health and nutritional products. The company's products are currently marketed in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand, United Kingdom, Israel, Spain, France and Japan.

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#90318p6595 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, ORE. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - International Yogurt Co. (NASDAQ: YOCM), Portland manufacturer and wholesaler of Yo Cream(R) frozen yogurt, reported revenues of $2,278,753 for the third quarter 1990, an increase of 41 percent over the third quarter of 1989. Profits for the third quarter were $75,617, or 5 cents per share.

Terry Lusetti, marketing director for the company, said that Yo Cream is now being sold in 48 states through 166 distributors. "We also continue to expand the sales of Yo Cream to food service chains," Lusetti said. "We added three notable restaurant chains this last quarter," he reported.

John Hanna, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, announced that the company recently concluded its first major shipment to Europe. "We see profitable opportunities in international trade and will be giving it more attention in the coming year," he stated.

The company also announced that it had adjusted its results for the first and second quarters of 1990. Hanna stated that "Net income for the first and second quarters was actually $27,807 (2 cents per share) and $80,423 (5 cents per share), respectively, rather than the previously reported amounts of $84,939 (5 cents per share) and $142,943 (9 cents per share). These changes were the result of adjustments in the finished goods costing of inventory."

Hanna observed, "Our sales year-to-date represent a 57 percent growth rate over the previous year. We expect significant expansion to continue."

INTERNATIONAL YOGURT CO.

Third quarter ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,278,753	$1,619,649
Net income (loss)	75,617	(322,853)
Per share	0.05	(0.20)
Nine months ended June 30:	1990	1989
Revenues	$6,195,621	$3,957,617
Net income (loss)	183,847	(549,915)
Per share	0.11	(0.33)

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#90318p6596 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Canada Southern Petroleum Ltd. (Toronto and Pacific Stock Exchanges: CSW) today reported a net loss of $209,000 (2 cents a share) on gross revenues of $496,000 in its fiscal first quarter ended Sept. 30.

In the prior-year period, there was a loss of $174,000 (1 cent a share) on gross revenues of $529,000, the company said.

Charles J. Horne, president, said this year's loss is attributable largely to a 6 percent reduction in operating revenue as well as a 7 percent drop in interest income.

CANADA SOUTHERN PETROLEUM LTD.

Consolidated Statement of Operations

(Unaudited -- expressed in Canadian dollars)

Three Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues:		
Oil and gas sales	$355,912	$376,496
Proceeds under carried interest		

agreements	1,501	2,631
Interest	139,003	149,564
Total	496,416	528,691
Costs and expenses	705,658	703,723
Net loss	(209,242)	(174,032)
Average number of shares outstanding	12,272,266	11,989,954
Net loss per share	(.02)	(.01)

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#90318p6597 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunex Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNX) announced today the election of Michael L. Kranda as president and chief operating officer. Kranda was previously executive vice president of Immunex Corp. and president of Immunex Manufacturing Corp., a subsidiary. He will continue to report to Immunex Chairman Stephen A. Duzan, who remains chief executive officer.

"Michael Kranda has built a superb manufacturing and marketing organization which has moved us quickly toward our goal of becoming a fully integrated pharmaceutical company," Duzan said.

In 1989 Immunex reacquired U.S. marketing rights to several of its proprietary products. The company recently announced plans to build a $30 million, 50,000-square foot manufacturing facility for future products such as LEUKINE(TM) GM-CSF, a white blood cell growth stimulant currently being investigated for use in bone marrow transplantation and cancer therapy.

The company's board of directors also named David L. Urdal, Ph.D., president of Immunex Manufacturing Corp., replacing and reporting to Kranda. Urdal had been vice president and director of development of Immunex Research and Development Corp., a separate subsidiary.

In addition, the board elected Steven Gillis, Ph.D., chief executive officer of Immunex Research and Development Corp. He remains its president and will continue to report to Immunex Chairman Stephen Duzan. The Immunex board also elected Scott Hallquist senior vice president of Immunex Corp., continuing as general counsel, and promoted Susan Erb to vice president, facilities and materials, Immunex Corp., Helmut Sassenfeld, Ph.D., to vice president, process development, Immunex Manufacturing Corp. and Michael Mumford to vice president pilot plant operations, Immunex Manufacturing Corp.

"These changes reflect the significant contributions of these outstanding managers and will help position Immunex as one of the world's premier biopharmaceutical companies," said Duzan.

Immunex is a leading biotechnology company focused on the research, development, manufacture and marketing of immunological therapeutic products.

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#90318p6598 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ocean Drilling & Exploration Co. (NYSE: ODR) announced that the planned initial public offering by its contract drilling subsidiary, Odeco Inc., has been postponed due to stock market conditions.

As previously announced, the public offering is part of a restructuring plan to separate Ocean Drilling's contract drilling business from its oil and gas business.

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#90318p6599 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Brock Exploration Corp. (PSE: BKE), headquartered in New Orleans, reported net income of $247,000, or $.06 per share on revenues of $2.8 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

These results compare with net income of $232,000, or $.06 per share on revenues of $2.4 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net income for the six months ending Sept. 30 was $328,000, or $.08 per share on revenues of $5.7 million as compared to last year's six month income of $441,000, or $.11 per share on revenues of $4.8 million.

Long-term debt was reduced from $6.8 million at March 31 to $6.1 million at Sept. 30. Net cash provided by operating activities was $1.3 million for the period ended Sept. 30 compared to $840,000 for period ended Sept. 30, 1989. The company's overall objective remains the acquisition of producing properties with long-life reserves and to periodically engage in drilling activities which could have a meaningful effect on the company's reserves.

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#90318p6602 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Applebee's International, Inc., (NASDAQ: APPB) today reported earnings of $457,000, or 10 cents per share, for

its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with earnings of $192,000, or 6 cents per share, for the same period in 1989. Company restaurant sales and franchise income totaled $10,054,000 for the quarter, an increase of 30 percent over $7,759,000 in last year's third quarter.

Applebee's system sales were $60.7 million in the third quarter, an increase of 58 percent from $38.4 million in the comparable period in 1989. This significant increase was primarily attributable to the larger number of restaurants open during this year's third quarter. However, comparable restaurant sales figures also increased during the quarter to $31.1 million, up 2.6 percent from $30.3 million in last year's third quarter. (Comparable restaurant sales figures compare sales for units in operation during the full third quarter of 1990 to the same units open in 1989.)

The company also announced that Applebee's co-founder and chairman, John Hamra will become chairman emeritus effective Jan. 1, 1991. Abe Gustin, president, continues to run the operations of the company. Hamra will remain active on the board of directors and on board committees.

As of the date of this release, there are 152 Applebee's restaurants open in 26 states. Of these, 127 are owned and operated by franchisees and 25 by the company. Applebee's has met all of the requirements for state regulatory approval for franchising in all 50 states and currently has 12 new restaurants under construction and 21 sites approved. The company pointed out that, while site approvals do not always result in new restaurant openings, the number of sites approved is a good indicator of new restaurant potential.

Abe J. Gustin, Jr., president, said that the company's strategy to franchise its neighborhood restaurant concept throughout the country is right on target. "We were very pleased with our franchisees' enthusiasm at our convention earlier this month, and we expect to continue approving a significant number of new franchisees and restaurant sites.

"We are well aware that financing with the kind of terms we prefer may be more difficult for some of our franchisees to obtain during the next year. However many of our franchisees already have financing in place and we are aggressively working to obtain favorable financing packages for our whole system.

"With the very rapid expansion of Applebee's, it should not be surprising that we have some locations that are not performing as well as we would expect. During the third quarter we took over operation of several franchised restaurants in one market which we strongly believe can be turned around."

Applebee's International, Inc., headquartered in Kansas City, Mo., develops, franchises and operates a rapidly expanding national chain of restaurants under the trademark Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar.

APPLEBEE'S INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Unaudited) (In thousands except per-share amounts)

	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	9/30/90	9/24/89	9/30/90	9/24/89
Company restaurant sales	$8,005	$6,253	$22,149	$17,686
Franchise income	2,049	1,506	5,958	3,597
Total operating revenue	10,054	7,759	28,107	21,283
Operating earnings	593	650	2,043	997
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	737	192	2,292	(505)
Income taxes	280	--	921	--
Earnings (loss) before extraordinary item	457	192	1,371	(505)
Extraordinary credit(A)	--	--	296	--
Net earnings (loss)	$457	$192	$1,667	$(505)
Earnings (loss) per common share before extraordinary item	$0.10	$0.06	$0.29	$(0.17)
Extraordinary item(A)	--	--	$0.07	--
Earnings (loss) per common share after extraordinary item	$0.10	$0.06	$0.36	$(0.17)
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,697(B)	3,000	4,702(B)	3,000

(A)Tax benefit from utilization of net operating loss carryforwards. (B)Applebee's International, Inc. completed an Initial Public Offering of 1,704,500 shares of its common stock in September 1989. Proceeds of the offering were received in fourth quarter 1989 and were used to pay off the company's then existing debt.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - North Canadian Oils Ltd. (AMEX, Toronto, Montreal: NCO) announces that its board of directors has declared the sixth semi-annual dividend of (Cdn.) $0.10 per common share payable Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 15, 1990.

As previously reported, NCO experienced steady gains in asset growth, revenue, cash flow and earnings for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Norm Gish, president of NCO, commented that the company's consistently strong performance supports continuing the policy of paying dividends on the company's common shares at the rate of (Cdn.) $0.20 per share per annum,

payable semi-annually.

North Canadian Oils Ltd. is a financially and technically strong, Canadian oil and gas exploration, production and marketing company. The company's common shares are traded on the Toronto and Montreal Stock Exchanges in Canada and the American Stock Exchange in the United States.

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GLENDALE, CALIF. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Mail Boxes Coast to Coast Inc. (NASDAQ: MBCC) reported today total revenues of $592,652 resulting in net income of $81,199 or earnings of $0.01 per share for the nine month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, compared to total revenues of $397,181 resulting in a net loss of ($517,420) or a loss of ($0.08) per share for the nine month period ending Sept. 30, 1989. The company also reported total revenues of $214,677 resulting in net income of $17,767 or earnings of $0.003 per share for the three month period ending Sept. 30, 1990 compared to total revenues of $215,291 resulting in a net loss of ($92,177) or a loss of ($0.01) per share for the period ending Sept. 30, 1989.

The net income was primarily attributable to the sale of the company's Long Island, N.Y. franchise as previously reported at June 30, 1990 and the sale of the Brooklyn, Staten Island area, with a combined gain of $346,078, plus increased revenues and a substantial reduction in the company's expenses. The combined sale price of these areas sold to Mail Boxes Etc. (MBE) was $565,651.

The company further announced that royalties increased $77,427 or 59 percent for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and $33,504 or 67 percent for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The increases reflect the opening of new service centers and the maturing of established service centers in operation. The company sold 17 franchise centers for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to 11 at Sept. 30, 1989.

Gary M. Williams, president of MBCC said, "In completing the next phase of an overall reorganization plan, this will ease the company's liquidity position and continue the company's direction of concentrating its resources in its two most productive areas, Los Angeles, Calif., and Manhattan, N.Y."

Williams went on to further explain "that of the 106 MBE Franchise Centers that were in the company's exclusive territories prior to the sale of Long Island, Brooklyn and Staten Island areas, 91 percent or 96 MBE Franchises will be retained within the company's exclusive territories of Los Angeles, Calif., and Manhattan, N.Y., which is where the company's direction and long term growth will be."

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NEWTON, MASS. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - University Bank, National Association (AMEX: UBN) today announced its results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The bank sustained a net loss in the third quarter of 1990 of $2,132,000 or 32 cents per share compared to net income of $175,000 or 3 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the bank sustained a net loss of $15,876,000 or $2.37 per share compared to a net loss of $197,000 or 3 cents per share in the first nine months of 1989.

Included in the third quarter 1990 loss were losses on the equity security portfolio of $781,000 and a provision for loan losses and losses on other real estate owned of $1,165,000. The bank's equity security portfolio has been reduced to $634,000 at Sept. 30, 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, primary capital was $13.8 million. In the first nine months of 1990, the bank's total assets have been reduced by $43 million to $368 million. The bank is continuing its discussions to sell certain assets, which, if finalized, would result in approximately a 10 percent increase in its primary capital.

University Bank, N.A. is a commercial bank founded in 1927. Headquartered in Newton, Mass., the bank operates from branch locations primarily in Middlesex County and specializes in real estate lending. In addition, one of the bank's subsidiaries operates mortgage banking offices from locations in Massachusetts.

CONTACT: Brian T. Manning, senior vice president and chief financial officer; or William H. Fitzgerald, executive vice president, both of University Bank, 617-547-5500

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Forstmann & Company, Inc., today announced that it has extended until 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on Friday, Nov. 16, 1990, the expiration date of its consent solicitation of holders of its 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999.

The company does not plan to further extend the consent solicitation. The company is in the process of preparing a petition for bankruptcy and, if the company does not receive the consent of holders of 95 percent of the

outstanding principal amount of the notes by the expiration on 5:00 p.m. Friday, and as a result does not consummate the consent solicitation, the company intends to seek protection and reorganize under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

The company will deliver a supplement to the Consent Solicitation Statement to holders of notes later today.

As of Nov. 13, 1990, holders of approximately $73,000,000 in outstanding principal amount of 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes have furnished consents to the proposed amendments to the notes which have not been withdrawn and holders of an additional $7,750,000 principal amount have indicated they intend to furnish consents upon the extension of the consent solicitation.

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EAST AURORA, NY (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - G. Wayne Hawk, president and CEO of Acme Electric Corporation (NYSE: ACE) of East Aurora, announced today that the company has completed a corporate-wide overhead reduction designed to improve the profitability of the corporation. Acme previously reported a loss of 4 cents per share in its first quarter, which ended Sept. 28, 1990. Increased pricing pressure on standard products and a delivery stretch-out on a major custom power supply program were primarily responsible for this loss, according to Hawk.

Hawk stated that electronic and transformer sales for the remainder of the current fiscal year appear to be holding well, and that there has recently been considerable strengthening of sales at Acme URDC, the company's aerospace subsidiary. He further reported that Acme Advanced Energy Systems division will begin volume production of the new fiber nickel cadmium batteries in December of this year. Hawk further stated that the company expects to return to profitability in the second quarter, which ends Dec. 31, 1990, although profitability will be negatively impacted by separation pay resulting from the overhead layoff. He further stated that profitability should improve significantly in the third and fourth quarters of this fiscal year due to the impact of FNC battery sales, sales of the new standby power supply line and realization of the overhead cost savings accruing from the recent cost-reduction program.

CONTACT: David Anderson, 716-655-3800, or Mary Hamilton, 716-968-2400, or Harry Zlokower or Marty Gitlin, 212-307-1230, all of Acme Electric

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Great American Bank, a Federal Savings Bank (NYSE: GTA) today reported a net loss of $34.0 million or $1.42 per share fully diluted for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $65.6 million, or $2.74 per share fully diluted, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $143.1 million or $5.96 per share on a fully diluted basis, compared with a net loss of $64.5 million or $2.70 per share on a fully diluted basis for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, stockholders' equity was $231.8 million or 1.54 percent of Great American's total assets of $15.0 billion. This compared to stockholders' equity at June 30, 1990 of $265.7 million or 1.73 percent of total assets of $15.4 billion, and at Dec. 31, 1989 of $373.5 million or 2.35 percent of $15.9 billion in assets. The decrease in assets was due to a net decrease in loans, mortgage-backed securities and investments primarily due to deposit outflows experienced during the first half of 1990.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Great American recorded provisions for loan and foreclosed real estate losses totalling $33.1 million. In addition to these provisions, the bank's real estate development subsidiary recorded an $11.5 million loss provision in recognition of an estimated loss on the potential sale of its portfolio of commercial properties. These provisions reflect, in part, changing market conditions in California and other real estate markets in which Great American operates.

Great American, established in 1885, is a regional savings bank which at Sept. 30, 1990 had 211 retail branches and 16 loan offices located in the western states. At Sept. 30, 1990, Great American was the nation's ninth largest savings institution, based on consolidated assets of $15.0 billion.

CONTACT: Brian Luscomb, VP Public Relations, 619-231-6224, or John Ruehlin, SVP Investor Relations, 619-231-2047, both of Great American Bank

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BERKELEY HEIGHTS, NJ (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - In support of International Paper's (NYSE: IP) Folding Carton Division automation program, AT&T's (NYSE: T) Manufacturing Systems unit has been chosen to provide a shop-floor management system at that division's factories.

The system will include AT&T's UNIX Shop Floor Management System software, AT&T computers, AT&T fiber-backbone local area networks, and Allen Bradley cell-control products.

Manufacturing Systems is a unit of AT&T Network Systems Group. The system's open architecture will enable AT&T to integrate it easily with IP's existing information systems.

Tom Geers, AT&T Bell Laboratories' project manager, noted that the system's flexibility is due to its adherence to industry standard networks, SQL and the UNIX operating system, which is steadily gaining as a defacto industry standard for manufacturing.

An integrated mix of AT&T computers and software with some third party elements, the Shop Floor Management System collects, tracks, and manages every aspect of factory operations, including machines, operators, products, quality inventory and scrap. The system generates reports at any level desired by the user. It can be tailored in both content and format to suit the varied needs and desires of its users.

Except for size, the architecture of the Shop Floor System will be the same for all of the IP factories. Data will move over AT&T's STARLAN fiber backbone network. AT&T 6386 WGS computers will serve as host machines to other AT&T computers, terminals and printers, as well as equipment provided by Allen Bradley and other vendors.

CONTACT: Jim McMahon of AT&T Corporate Engineering, 908-204-8260, or home at 20I-226-5472

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - San Francisco-based PLM International Inc. (AMEX: PLM) today reported the results of its operations for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, consolidated revenues were $20.3 million, compared to $24.7 million for the same quarter in 1989. Net income available for common shares and earnings per share were $2 million and 20 cents respectively for the quarter, compared to $3.2 million and 32 cents in 1989.

For the nine-month period, PLM International reported revenues of $63.6 million, compared to $70.8 million in 1989. Net income available for common shares and earnings per share were $8.8 million and 87 cents respectively for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $9.4 million and 93 cents in 1989.

President and Chief Executive Officer of PLM International, Robert N. Tidball, said, "Third quarter results were unfavorably impacted by lower equipment placements caused by the delay in releasing PLM Equipment Growth Fund V escrowed funds. These funds were released at the beginning of the fourth quarter for equipment acquisitions. The released funds and the continued strength of PLM Equipment Growth Fund V equity sales will contribute to fourth quarter results."

The following table sets forth a summary of certain operating statistics for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989:

PLM International is an equipment leasing company engaged in the leasing and management of transportation equipment and in operating leases domestically and internationally, as well as the syndication of capital equipment leasing investments. The company operates and manages over $1.3 billion of transportation equipment and related assets for its account and various investment partnerships and third party accounts.

CONTACT: Valerie Carattini-Cooke of PLM, 415-544-8227

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CORTLAND, NY (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Marietta Corporation (NASDAQ: MRTA) announced today that it had repurchased an aggregate of 45,000 shares of its common stock, par value $.01 per share, in two block purchases yesterday at a price of $5.125 per share. Such purchases were made in accordance with the plan to repurchase stock announced by Marietta on Sept. 4, 1990.

Marietta may repurchase such additional shares of its common stock at such prices and at such times as management may determine, up to a maximum of 10 percent of its outstanding shares of common stock.

Marietta Corporation specializes in the design, manufacture, packaging, marketing and distribution of guest amenity programs to the travel and lodging industry in the United States and abroad, and provides customized "sample-size" and "unit-of-use" packaging products and services to major customer products companies in the toiletries, cosmetics and pharmaceutical industries.

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CONESVILLE, OH (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - American Electric Power's (NYSE: AEP) award-winning wetlands project was recently dedicated as the first Urban Wildlife Sanctuary in Ohio. The site received an Environmental Achievement Award from Renew America earlier this year.

The man-made wetland enhances the area ecosystem as a form of reclamation and provides a natural treatment for water flowing through the former Simco No. 4 underground mine site.

Researchers at The Pennsylvania State University have been studying the site

since its creation in 1986 and have documented the wetlands' success in reducing the iron content of the water to acceptable levels.

Representatives from AEP's fuel supply department, Columbus Southern Power, Conesville Coal Preparation Company, Penn State and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources' Division of Reclamation met at the site to formally place the sign designating the area as a sanctuary. Columbus Southern and the Conesville Coal Preparation Company, subsidiaries of AEP, own and manage the property on which the wetlands are located.

The certification was received from the National Institute for Urban Wildlife upon meeting wildlife habitat and management criteria established by the institute.

The main criteria are the four basic needs of wildlife -- food, water, living space and cover, says Gomer E. Jones, president for the institute.

Since the institute began certifying projects in 1987, hundreds of applications have been received for consideration, Jones says. Besides being the first certified site in Ohio, the Simco wetlands is one of only 69 sites which have met the criteria and have received approval by the institute's review committee, he adds.

Researchers at several universities have discovered that cattails and several other species of plants survive -- and even thrive -- in areas that are considered unfit for most plant life. In fact, these particular plants seem to seek out areas with high concentrations of iron -- one of the main ingredients in acid mine drainage.

At a time when the nation's wetlands are being destroyed, the research program under way at the Simco No. 4 wetland will give the industry greater knowledge with which to develop wetlands in the future.

CONTACT: B.J. Smith of AEP Fuel Supply, 614-687-3024 in Lancaster, Ohio

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#90318p6621 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Medcross, Inc. (NASDAQ: MDCR) today reported profitable operations for the second consecutive quarter. The company reported net income of $3,224 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, following the second quarter's net income of $14,393. The 1990 third quarter's results compare with a net loss of $134,386 for the third quarter a year ago.

Robert M. Irvin, Medcross president, said that while net operating revenues for the 1990 third quarter of $856,009 were down 19 percent compared to $1,057,906 in 1989, operating profits increased from $8,000 for the 1989 third

quarter to $156,996 for the comparable 1990 period. He said the decline in revenues was due mainly to the sale on June 29, 1990, of a computerized tomography (CT) unit. Irvin added that the company had an unrealized loss of $59,430 because of a decline in the market price of securities bought during the quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Medcross reported a net loss of $10,286 compared to a net loss of $211,859 for the 1989 nine-month period. Net operating revenues for the 1990 and 1989 nine-month periods were $2,747,730 and $3,271,135 respectively.

Medcross announced last month that it will discontinue the operation of its gallstone lithotripter at the end of this year. Irvin said Medcross is taking steps to replace the revenues from the CT and gallstone units, and is marketing a limited partnership for operating a mobile magnetic resonance imaging unit. He said the limited partnership offering is expected to close by the end of November, 1990, and will begin operations "shortly thereafter."

Medcross provides management services to health-care ventures and consulting services to hospitals, clinics, and health-care professionals. The businesses that Medcross owns and/or operates include mobile and fixed-base computerized tomography, mobile and fixed-base kidney lithotripsy, mobile gallstone lithotripsy and mobile ultrasound services.

MEDCROSS, INC., AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net operating revenues	$ 856,009	$1,057,906	$2,747,730	$3,271,135
Income (loss) before minority interest in net income (loss) of consolidated subsidairies	72,466	(61,889)	215,794	(43,024)
Minority interest in net income (loss) of consolidated	69,242	72,497	226,080	168,835
Net income (loss)	$ 3,224	$(134,386)	$(10,286)	$(211,859)
Weighted average common common shares outstanding	8,487,500	8,487,500	8,487,500	6,320,833
Earnings (loss) per common share	$ .000	$(.016)	$(.001)	$(.034)

CONTACT: Robert M. Irvin, president of Medcross, Inc., 813-521-1793; or Investor Relations Consultants, Inc., 813-796-1452, for Medcross, Inc.

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SMITHTOWN, NY (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Quantronix Corporation (NASDAQ: QUAN) of Smithtown today reported the results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for this second fiscal 1991 quarter were $8,181,000, off 2.9 percent from the corresponding quarter in the prior year. Net earnings were $357,000, down 23.9 percent from second quarter in fiscal 1990. The year-earlier period had included an unusual revenue item of approximately $500,000, related to the medical business segment.

Compared to the first fiscal 1991 quarter, revenues were down by 7.3 percent, but earnings improved 25.7 percent due to reduced operating expenses.

Commenting on the results, Donald Mitchell, president and chief executive officer of Quantronix, said, "We were pleased to see sustained, and slightly improved, earnings as we move further into fiscal 1991. Like many other capital equipment manufacturers, we are seeing some definite tightening in our markets. We are continuing to position our operations to respond quickly to the current uncertain economic climate."

QUANTRONIX CORPORATION

Periods ended	Six Months		Three Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales & services	$17,008,538	$16,857,457	$8,180,511	$8,424,698
Earnings before income taxes	953,143	922,183	528,916	716,692
Income taxes	312,000	322,350	172,000	247,451
Net earnings	$ 641,143	$ 599,833	$ 356,916	$ 469,241
Earnings per share	$0.15	$0.14	$0.08	$0.11
Wtd. avg. common & common equivalent shares outstanding	4,306,991	4,338,351	4,291,288	4,339,460

CONTACT: Donald Mitchell, president and CEO of Quantronix, 516-273-6900

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PROVIDENCE, RI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Nestor, Inc. (NASDAQ: NEST) today announced operating results for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991, ended September 30. Revenues increased 50 percent and the operating loss was reduced by 37 percent when compared to the comparable period last year.

Dr. David Fox, president and chief executive officer of Nestor, stated, "The improvement in revenues reflected substantial progress on the DARPA contract under which we are developing, along with Intel, a neural net chip capable of functioning as a true parallel processor, combining revolutionary speed with 'learning intelligence.' A second factor in revenue improvement was our license agreement, signed in April, with the leading Japanese software firm, CSK Corporation.

"In addition to the increase in revenues, we experienced a reduction in expenses as a direct consequence of the cost-cutting efforts we initiated last Spring."

All Nestor products are based on adaptive information-processing systems that "learn" from experience. The company's products are taught to recognize complex configurations of data, and to classify input patterns.

NESTOR, INC.
(Unaudited)

Three months ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
Total revenues	$423,873	$282,011
Net income (loss)	(231,408)	(366,752)
Net income (loss) per share	$ (0.035)	$ (0.056)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	6,689,227	6,530,828

CONTACT: David Fox of Nestor, 401-331-9640, or Burton Arkin of Arkin Associates, 212-935-9650, for Nestor

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#90318p6631 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) today announced that its Leveraged Employee Stock Ownership Plan (LESOP), which was established in 1989, will borrow up to an additional $1.0 billion to provide partial funding for future retiree medical benefits.

The LESOP trust will borrow up to $1.0 billion for a period of 30 years, with the loan being guaranteed by The Procter & Gamble Company. The proceeds of the loan will be used to purchase a new issue of convertible preferred stock from the company. The price, terms, and conditions of the preferred stock will be determined at a later date.

In a related matter, the board of directors has authorized the company to use the proceeds from the issuance of the convertible preferred stock to repurchase shares of its common stock to offset the dilution effect of the newly issued convertible preferred stock. The company intends to repurchase this common stock from time to time at prices and terms it deems desirable.

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#90318p6632 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARAMUS, NJ (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Toys "R" Us, Inc. (NYSE: TOY), today announced its third quarter and first nine months results.

For the quarter ended Oct. 28, 1990, the company reported that its sales increased 14.9 percent to $1,052.6 million compared to $916.2 million for the third quarter last year. Net earnings in the third quarter were $28.7 million or $.10 per share for this and last year.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1990, sales increased 20.4 percent to $2.961 billion compared to $2.459 billion for the same period last year. Net earnings in the first nine months were $88.4 million or $.30 per share, compared to net earnings in last year's first nine months of $79.3 million or $.27 per share.

All per share figures have been adjusted to reflect the three-for- two stock split effected on June 29, 1990.

Charles Lazarus, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, "The retailing environment became more difficult in the third quarter and our United States toy stores and Kids "R" Us stores experienced smaller sales increases than in the first half of the year."

Lazarus further stated, "Our plans for next year call for 80-85 new toy stores in the United States and internationally, including our first stores in Japan and Spain. We also expect to open 25-30 additional Kids 'R' Us stores."

Toys "R" Us is the world's largest toy specialty retailing chain and by the end of 1990 will be operating 451 toy stores in the United States, 98 international toy stores and 164 Kids "R" Us children's clothing stores.

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#90318p6633 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MURFREESBORO, TENN. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Pricor Incorporated (NASDAQ: PRCO) today announced operating results for the second quarter and first half of fiscal 1991.

Pricor Chairman Hubert L. McCullough made the announcement saying, second quarter revenues were $6,017,255, an increase of 24 percent from revenues of

$4,840,052 reported in the second quarter of fiscal 1990. During the second quarter of fiscal 1991, the Company's operating contribution totaled $588,516, compared with a contribution of $980,400 reported during the same three month period a year earlier.

The net loss for the quarter was $618,647, or $.10 per share, as compared to a net loss of $209,310, or $.04 per share, reported in the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

Revenues for the six month period ended September 30, 1990, were $12,136,238, up 28 percent from the $9,490,039 reported in the same period last year. During the first six months of fiscal 1991, the Company's operating contribution totaled $1,663,374, compared with a contribution of $2,098,165 reported during the comparable period in fiscal 1990.

The net loss during the first six months of fiscal 1991 was $760,909, or $.12 per share, as compared to a net loss of $69,477, or $.01 per share, in the corresponding period a year earlier.

Pricor Incorporated is the nation's leading for-profit private provider of special educational and treatment services for youth. The company is also one of the oldest and largest private adult correctional services companies. Pricor has contracts in Alabama, California, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia.

The common stock of Pricor Incorporated is traded under NASDAQ symbol PRCO.

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LAWRENCE, MASS. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - First Essex Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: FESX) announced today a net loss for the fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $11.1 million (or $1.85 per share) compared to net income of $1.0 million (or 16 cents per share) for the same period in 1989. Net interest income before the provision for possible loan losses totaled $4.2 million for the quarter, compared to $4.2 million for the same period in 1989. The net loss resulted primarily from a higher provision for possible loan losses, $10.3 million compared to $3.4 million for the same period in 1989, as well as from $3.0 million of expenses associated with the management of other real estate owned including the write down of carrying values in certain cases and $434,000 of expenses associated with the termination of the proposed merger with Andover Bancorp, Inc. Additionally, goodwill in the amount of $2.5 million which resulted from the 1989 acquisition of First Essex Savings Bank of New Hampshire (formerly Fortune Guaranty Savings Bank) was written off.

The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $12.7 million compared to net income of $3.7 million for the same period in 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, non-accruing loans were $21.0 million compared to $23.7 million at June 30, 1990 and the allowance for possible loan losses was $10.9 million (or 51.9 percent of non-accruing loans) compared to $7.7 million (or 33.6 percent of non-accruing loans) at June 30, 1990. Other real estate owned at Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $21.3 million compared to $16.9 million at June 30, 1990.

Leonard A. Wilson, president and chief executive officer stated: "We continue to monitor the quality of the bank's assets, an ongoing exercise that is extremely important in light of continued deterioration of the region's economy. Based on what we have experienced and what we know today regarding the real estate environment, we believe it is prudent that we continue to add to our reserve levels. After recognizing the resulting net loss, First Essex's capital to assets ratio remains strong at 13.3 percent."

First Essex Bancorp, Inc. is the holding company of First Essex Savings Bank, Lawrence, Mass., and First Essex Bancorp of New Hampshire, Inc. and its subsidiary, First Essex Savings Bank of New Hampshire, Windham, N.H. First Essex Bancorp subsidiaries now have 10 bank offices in northern Massachusetts and two offices in southern New Hampshire. The company had total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 of $576 million.

FIRST ESSEX BANCORP, INC.
CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three months ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Consolidated Operating Results:				
Interest and dividend income	$13,519	$15,304	$41,572	$43,516
Interest expense	9,286	11,138	28,501	30,623
Net interest income	4,233	4,166	13,071	12,893
Provision for possible loan losses	(10,294)	(711)	(15,512)	(1,671)
Net interest income (loss) after provision for possible loan losses	(6,061)	3,395	(2,441)	11,222
Non-interest income:				
Loan fees	101	112	297	285
Deposit fees	271	201	813	505
Other	87	82	272	251
Securities gains	1,024	1,395	3,080	3,860
Loan sales gains	106	40	136	45
Total non-interest income	1,589	1,830	4,598	4,946
Non-interest expense:				

Salaries, fees, benefits	1,724	1,769	5,011	5,446
Equipment and occupancy	622	597	1,915	1,557
Loss from real estate operations	3,022	0	3,805	0
Other administrative	1,446	1,304	3,829	3,361
Merger costs	434	0	1,186	0
Goodwill write-off	2,537	0	2,537	0
Total non-interest expense	9,785	3,670	18,283	10,364
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(14,257)	1,555	(16,126)	5,804
Income taxes (benefits)	(3,159)	(556)	(3,458)	2,086
Net earnings (loss)	$(11,098)	999	$(12,668)	$3,718
Earnings per share	$(1.85)	16 cents	$(2.11)	58 cents

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
(In thousands) Balance Sheet Data		
Total assets	$575,984	$639,653
Loans, net	440,572	509,040
Investments	56,721	97,161
Deposits	463,217	481,141
Borrowings	25,574	55,667
Stockholders' equity	76,561	91,774
Book value per share	$12.73	$15.26
Capital to assets ratio (percent)	13.29	14.35

CONTACT: C. Frederick Rossbach or James A. Sgroi of First Essex Bancorp, Inc.
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#90318p6638 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TALLAHASSEE, FLA. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS/DATA Corporation (NASDAQ: LAWR) today reported revenues and earnings for the three month period ended Sept. 30 1990.

First quarter revenues were $3,523,700, compared to $3,584,300 for the same period of the prior fiscal year, a decrease of 1.7 percent. Earnings before income taxes increased $66,100 or 13.9 percent to $541,700 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $475,600 for the same period of the prior fiscal year. Net income after tax decreased 22.1 percent to $345,700 for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $475,600 for the same period of the prior fiscal year. The decline in net income after tax is attributed to the company's use of all of its net operating loss carryforward during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990. Earnings per share for the three month period were 11 cents on 3,212,100 weighted average shares outstanding,

compared to 25 cents on 1,800,000 weighted average shares outstanding for the same period of the prior fiscal year.

The general trend towards lower hardware prices throughout the computer industry resulted in a decrease in revenues derived from system sales in the three months of fiscal year 1991 compared to the same period of fiscal year 1990. The decrease in system sales revenues was offset by the increase in miscellaneous sales, services and software support agreements. The company's gross margin increased by 10.8 percent as a result of sales of items such as PC DOCS(R) and application software and higher revenues from services in the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1989. The company is extremely pleased with the response it has received from its new network-based document management product, PC DOCS(R). The company intends to continue its investment in research and development, sales and marketing, as well as to explore possible joint ventures or acquisitions of companies engaged in the development of software products and other computer-related businesses.

CMS/DATA Corporation designs, markets, installs, supports and integrates systems for the legal profession. Recently, the company signed a reseller agreement with IBM(R) and now will be selling IBM's RS/6000 systems in addition to Data General systems. The company has also developed, and is actively marketing, PC DOCS(R) for WordPerfect(R) and Novell(R) Users. PC DOCS(R) is distributed through computer software resellers across the United States and Canada and is targeted at businesses, governmental agencies and educational institutions, as well as the legal market.

CMS/DATA CORPORATION
Statement of Operations
(Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989 Revenues:
System Sales	$2,753,700	$3,138,500
Miscellaneous sales, services and software support agreements	770,000	445,800
Total revenues	3,523,700	3,584,300
Costs and expenses before depreciation and amortization, interest and income taxes:		
Costs of sales and services	1,744,700	2,162,500
Selling, general and administrative expenses	1,182,000	908,300
	2,926,700	3,070,800
Income before depreciation and amortization, interest and income taxes	597,000	513,500
Depreciation and amortization		

expense	47,000	19,500
Interest expense	8,300	18,400
Income before income taxes	541,700	475,600
Incomes taxes	196,000	32,000
Net income	$ 345,700	$ 443,600
Earnings per common share	$ 0.11	$ 0.25
Weighted average shares	3,212,100	1,800,000

CONTACT: Rubin I. Osten, chairman and CEO of CMS/DATA Corporation, 904-878-5155

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CALABASAS, CALIF. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Players International, Inc. (NASDAQ: PLAY) today reported operating results for the second quarter and first six months of fiscal 1991, ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the first six months increased 12 percent to $8,814,900 from the $7,853,900 reported in the first half of fiscal 1990. First half income from operations was $718,200 compared with income from operations of $1,065,000, reported in last year's first half which was before proceeds from a contract settlement. Net income for the period was $431,000, or $0.06 per share, compared to last year's net income of $3,299,000, or $0.42 per share, which included a pre-tax gain of $3,500,000 from a contract settlement.

For the second quarter, the company reported revenues of $4,510,000 an 11 percent increase over the $4,067,500 reported for the comparable period of the prior year. Net income for the quarter was $127,600, or $0.02 per share, compared with last year's second quarter net income of $423,500, or $0.05 per share.

Earnings for the second quarter were impacted by costs relating to the launching of Players 900 number telephone games, further development of the wholesale travel business, initial research into Riverboat gaming, and gaining new Players Club members. During the second quarter there was also a decrease in the number of gaming tournaments.

In addition to its 900 number Phone Jeopardy! game, the company just launched its Phone Wheel of Fortune game. In the fourth quarter of fiscal 1991 the company anticipates realizing the benefits of these games.

David Fishman, Players' vice chairman, said "Although recent operating results were affected by costs associated with the growth of our various business segments, we believe that we are well positioned for future growth opportunities. Our strategy is to develop a 900 game show network that will enable Players International to gain a dominant position in this market segment. Going forward, we expect to benefit from economies of scale as we

develop new games, based on popular television programs and board games, to the network."

Players International specializes in the marketing of numerous services and products to the gaming and entertainment industries. Players Club is a membership club with approximately 100,000 members, designed to deliver discounts and other benefits to recreational gamers; International Gaming Promotions markets gaming tournaments and special events; Players World Travel is a full-service travel agency; the company markets electronic cash advance systems; through a 50 percent owned affiliate, operates cruise ship casinos; and recently entered the 900 number call-in game industry with Phone Jeopardy! and Phone Wheel of Fortune as the first in a full network of games.

PLAYERS INTERNATIONAL, INC. & SUBSIDIARIES
(Condensed, consolidated, unaudited)

Periods ended:	Three months		Six months	
Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$4,510,000	$4,067,500	$8,814,900	$7,853,900
Income before proceeds from contract settlement	212,600	704,400	718,200	1,065,000
Proceeds from contract settlement	--	--	--	3,500,000
Income before provision for income taxes	212,600	704,400	718,200	4,565,000
Provision for income taxes	(85,000)	(280,900)	(287,200)	(1,266,000)
Net income	$ 127,600	$ 423,500	$ 431,000	$ 3,299,000
Wtd. avg. no. of shares of common stock outstanding	8,367,900	7,991,000	8,448,500	7,906,000
Net income per share	$ .02	$ .05	$ .06	$ .42

CONTACT: Lynn Morgen or Robert Jones of Morgen-Walke Associates, 212-986-5900 for Players International

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#90318p6641 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of TNP Enterprises, Inc. (NYSE:TNP) announced today quarterly dividends of $0.4075 per share of common stock.

Quarterly dividends will be paid on Dec. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990. This will be the 220th consecutive dividend paid by TNPE or its predecessor companies.

TNP Enterprises (TNPE) is the Fort Worth-based holding company of Texas-New

Mexico Power Company, an electric utility.

Earlier this month, TNPE announced a 7.5 percent increase in revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Revenues were $116,825,463 for the three-month period, compared to $108,687,955 for the same three-month period the previous year.

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#90318p6645 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SECAUCUS, NJ (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Vikonics Inc. (NASDAQ: VKSI), headquartered here, today reported a net loss of $59,000, or $.02 loss per share, on sales of $902,000 for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with net income of $94,000, or $.04 per share, on sales of $1,504,000 in the comparable year-ago quarter.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $156,000, or $.07 loss per share, on sales of $1,728,000, as compared with net income of $252,000, or $.12 per share, on sales of $3,213,000 in the corresponding prior year period.

Operating costs and expenses before interest were $512,000 and $988,000 for the three and six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively. These amounts represent decreases of 18.9 percent and 25.6 percent, respectively, over the prior year's corresponding periods.

Vikonics' President John Kaufman said the company's decrease in sales and earnings compared to last year resulted from the lack of major contract awards to the company and longer than usual delays in the awarding of several major government contracts. "We had expected to hear results relating to a number of bids on multi-million dollar defense projects, but this has been a year of excessive delays in the finalizing of awards on those projects.

"However," added the Vikonics chief, "we remain hopeful that one to several of these projects will be awarded before the end of the fiscal year."

Vikonics, together with its corporate partner, Teledyne Brown Engineering, currently is bidding on several government and defense security projects.

Vikonics designs, manufactures, markets, installs and supports a line of sophisticated, computer-based security systems. The company markets its systems to defense contractors and government agencies as well as general commercial customers.

CONTACT: John J. Strong, of Vikonics, 201-863-6868, Jimmy Caplan (agency), 805-569-6919, Rick Eisenberg (media) 212-496-6828, all for Vikonics Inc.

-30- 2187

#90318p6646 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

AZUSA, CA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Optical Radiation Corp. (NASDAQ: ORCO) today reported continued increases in sales and income for the first fiscal quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990.

Net income for the quarter rose to $2,937,000 equal to $.44 per share, from $2,727,000, or $.42 per share, last year. Sales advanced 19 percent to $34,990,000 from $29,505,000 for the first quarter last year.

Richard D. Wood, president and chief executive officer, attributed the positive first quarter performance primarily to strong improvements in the consumer optical and ophthalmic surgical products groups, with the scientific/industrial products group posting lower results over the prior year period. Wood said that net income for the first quarter of the current fiscal year was restrained by a reserve amounting to more than $300,000 or approximately $.03 per share, for potential payments related to the outcome of an appeal on a patent litigation matter.

Wood noted that during the quarter, Optical Radiation received approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to begin the second phase of clinical studies on a new IOL material that is inserted into the eye in a deformed state through a small surgical incision. He said early clinical results have been excellent for this "memory" lens, which is expected to set new standards for IOL implant materials.

"Despite the general economic environment, business conditions for our core products thus far appear to be continuing their favorable trends," said Wood. "While market conditions can change rapidly, at this time we look forward to sustaining positive growth momentum in the immediate months ahead."

Optical Radiation Corp. designs and manufactures a wide variety of precision optical components and systems for medical, industrial, and scientific applications.

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#90318p6647 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD BEACH, FLA. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Devcon International Corp. (NASDAQ: DEVC) today reported higher third-quarter and nine-months earnings, attributing the increase to strong results from the Caribbean and an $883,000 after-tax gain on the sale of a parcel of Florida real estate.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income increased 28 percent to $4,165,000 from $3,244,000 a year ago. Earnings per share were 93 cents on a higher number of weighted average shares outstanding compared with 78 cents last year. Revenues were $27.2 million vs. $18.6 million.

For the nine months, net income amounted to $10,221,000 compared with $9,365,000 earned a year ago. Earnings per share of $2.28, vs. $2.24 last year, also reflect the higher number of shares. Revenues totaled $68.2 million, up from $59.0 million.

Devcon Chairman and President Donald L. Smith Jr., said, "Again this quarter, increased profits from our operations in the Virgin Islands and the Netherlands Antilles offset declining results from our Florida construction activity."

He stated that the real estate sale, which generated $4.1 million in cash, not only helped push net earnings ahead of year-ago levels, but also "further strengthened our balance sheet."

Smith said that, despite the soft construction market in the United States, Devcon's Florida construction business has been positively impacted by the award of more than $20 million in new contracts including $13 million in contracts from Walt Disney World. He added, "We are also encouraged by the current level of bidding and negotiations for future contracts in both Florida and the Caribbean."

Devcon operates ready-mix concrete, aggregate, concrete block and bulk cement facilities; dredges harbors; builds golf courses and performs other heavy construction work in the Caribbean. Principal operations are on St. Thomas and St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands, on the independent island nations of Antigua and Dominica, on St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles, and on Tortola, British Virgin Islands. In Florida, where the company is headquartered, Devcon constructs golf courses and prepares sites for shopping malls, residential developments and industrial parks.

DEVCON INTERNATIONAL CORP.
CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY OF EARNINGS (UNAUDITED)
(In thousands except per-share amounts)

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990(A)	1989	1990(A)	1989
Revenues	$27,171	$18,620	$68,238	$58,967
Earnings before income taxes	4,469	2,997	10,646	9,697
Income taxes (benefit)	304	(247)	425	332
Net earnings	$ 4,165	$ 3,244	$10,221	$ 9,365
Net earnings per common share	$.93	$.78	$2.28	$2.24

Weighted average common shares outstanding	4,481	4,166	4,481	4,181

(A) -- Includes revenues of $4,425,000, tax provision of $520,000 and net gain of $883,000 from the sale of real estate.

Subject to year-end audit.

CONTACT: Richard L. Hornsby, executive vice president of Devcon International Corp., 305-429-1500; or Investor Relations Consultants 813-796-1452, for Devcon International Corp.

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#90318p6649 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company is inviting its largest industrial customers to participate in an "energy conservation Olympics" which could result in an incentive payment of up to $400,000 for major energy-reduction projects. The program is the largest of its kind in Michigan and is the first such program offered by Consumers Power, the largest utility in the state.

Letters announcing the program and inviting participation were sent recently to the utility's 481 largest industrial customers.

In this first solicitation, industrial companies have until Dec. 31, 1990 to submit energy conservation project descriptions to Consumers Power. Incentive payments will be considered for projects capable of saving a minimum of 20 percent in annual and peak electric consumption, 20 percent of total annual consumption of direct natural gas sales, or 30 percent of electric and/or gas consumption for a project designed for a particular industrial process.

Consumers Power's funding for energy conservation projects is limited to no more than half the installed cost of the project, or the amount necessary to reduce the project's payback period to two years, whichever is less. The utility's funding per project will not exceed $400,000. Funding for the buy-back program results from a surcharge which was implemented earlier this year on industrial customers' gas and electric bills.

The buy-back program is part of a comprehensive $24 million energy conservation project being offered by Consumers Power to residential, commercial and industrial customers.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

CONTACT: Paul Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, 517-788-2396

-30- 2066

#90318p6650 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

FREMONT, MI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Gerber Products Company (NYSE: GEB) board of directors today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.30 per share, payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 26, 1990. This will be the company's 182nd consecutive quarterly dividend.

CONTACT: John Corrado of Gerber Products Company, 616-928-2718

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#90318p6655 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - More than 300 Avon representatives began calling on customers in Guangzhou, China, today.

Avon is the first company -- domestic or foreign -- permitted to sell directly to consumers. The products are manufactured locally in a new cosmetics plant in Guangzhou, formerly known as Canton.

Avon Cosmetics Guangzhou is a joint venture of Avon Products Inc. (NYSE: AVP) and the Guangzhou Cosmetics Factory. Avon Products owns 60 percent of the joint venture.

While the Chinese cosmetics market is still relatively small, the company believes China will inevitably be Avon's largest market.

Although Avon has rights to sell throughout China, the joint venture will initially confine its sales to Guangdong Province. There are some 60 million people in the province, which Preston points out makes it larger than most of the 100 countries served by Avon.

Avon recognizes that Chinese consumers have limited discretionary income and has priced its products between imported cosmetics and those produced locally. The average product sells for about $3.

There are 80 products in Avon's line, which will grow as consumer purchasing power grows.

Economic growth in Asia Pacific is projected to continue growing at twice the rate of other economic blocs. Preston said that within ten years, the aggregate GNP of Asia-Pacific is expected to surpass the GNPs of North America and Europe.

The company's sales in the Pacific Region have grown by 60 percent and its pretax contributions by 70 percent in the last four years.

The company operates in nine countries in the Pacific region -- Japan, the Philippines, Thailand, Taiwan, Indonesia, Malaysia, Australia, New Zealand, and -- now China. The company plans to enter India and South Korea in the next two years.

"Asia Pacific is the most attractive investment target in the world today for a cosmetics company," Preston said. "Within ten years it will have two-thirds of the world's population.

CONTACT: John Cox (media), 212-546-8471; Phyllis Davis (investors), 212-546-8622; or Ann Scavullo (investors), 212-546-6737, all of Avon

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#90318p6656 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BATTLE CREEK, MI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Kellogg Company (NYSE: K) today declared a dividend on the common stock of the company of 48 cents per share, payable Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 3, 1990.

CONTACT: Neil G. Nyberg of Kellogg Company, 616-961-3799

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#90318p6666 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREAT NECK, NY (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Hudson General Corporation (AMEX: HGC) announced today that it has received a cash distribution of $10 million from the Kohala Joint Venture, an equal joint venture between Hudson General and Oxford First Corporation which is developing approximately 4,000 acres of land in the North Kohala region on the island of Hawaii. In a related matter, Hudson General also announced that it has amended its revolving credit agreement with a group of banks and has paid the banks the $10 million it received from the joint venture to reduce its outstanding borrowings.

The cash distribution to Hudson General was made in connection with an agreement entered into between Hudson General and Oxford, which contemplates that the joint venture will sell or borrow against approximately $20 million principal balance of mortgage receivables obtained in connection with the sale of land parcels. The distribution represents a return to Hudson General of a portion of the advances made by it to the joint venture in connection with development of the venture's land.

The $10 million cash distribution consisted of the proceeds of $3.7 million of receivables sold by the joint venture to an unaffiliated third party and $6.3 million of the venture's available cash. The agreement, among other things, provides that the first $7.5 million of proceeds from any future sales of, or borrowings against, the venture's receivables will be distributed to Oxford, and thereafter any such proceeds will be distributed equally to Hudson General

and Oxford. The agreement further provides for the equalization by June 30, 1991, of advances made to the joint venture by Oxford with those previously made by Hudson General, and any subsequent distributions will be made equally to Hudson General and Oxford.

The revolving credit agreement generally provides that distributions to Hudson General from the joint venture will be used to reduce Hudson General's outstanding borrowings and the banks' total lending commitment. Pursuant to the amendment, Hudson General paid the entire $10 million distribution from the joint venture to the banks, and the banks' outstanding lending commitment was reduced from $35 million to $26 million. At the present time, Hudson General's outstanding borrowings and letters of credit under the revolving credit agreement total $9 million. In addition, the amendment provided, among other things, for a reduction in the interest rate charged on borrowings by one-quarter of a percentage point. The banks also relieved Hudson General of any obligations it may have had to continue discussions with the banks concerning the possible grant of a security interest in assets of Hudson General.

Hudson General Corporation provides various services to airlines, airport operators and the general aviation community throughout the United States and Canada, in addition to its participation in the Kohala Joint Venture.

CONTACT: Jay B. Langner, president of Hudson General, 516-487-8610

-30- 3249

#90318p6671 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Five more Boeing 737-500 jetliners have been ordered by the Australian leasing company Ansett Worldwide Aviation Services. The order, valued at about $150 million, was confirmed today by Boeing Commercial Airplane Group.

Two of the five were delivered last week, one to Europe Aero Service, a 25-year-old French carrier, and one to Balkan Bulgarian Airlines.

Ansett Worldwide now has announced orders for 86 Boeing jetliners including 55 new-technology 737s of various types, 22 fuel-efficient 757s and nine widebody 767s.

Boeing jetliner announcements for the year total 460, with an approximate value of $41.5 billion. Total 737 orders stand at 2,864.

CONTACT: Tom Cole of Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, 206-237-5445

-30- 943

#90318p6673 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

OMAHA, NE (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - ConAgra, Inc. (NYSE: CAG) today filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement for a public offering of four million shares of ConAgra common stock. ConAgra presently has approximately 134.4 million shares of common stock outstanding.

ConAgra intends to add the proceeds from the sale of the common stock to its general funds, to be used primarily for acquisitions and also for general corporate purposes. The underwriter for the offering is Lehman Brothers.

The registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may any offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration becomes effective. This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of the securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to the registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state. A prospectus may be obtained from the underwriter.

CONTACT: Walt Casey of ConAgra, 402-595-4154

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#90318p6675 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELK GROVE VILLAGE, IL (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - AAR Corp. (NYSE: AIR) has announced that one of its units has signed an agreement to market airframe and engine spare parts on behalf of Cathay Pacific Airways Ltd. of Hong Kong.

AAR, at one of its facilities in the United States, will warehouse the carrier's inventory of L1011 and B747 airframe and engine spare parts which it will then market worldwide.

AAR Corp., is a leading supplier of aerospace/aviation products and services. The company primarily distributes parts and equipment, performs technical services and manufactures proprietary products for the aviation industry in the United States and abroad.

CONTACT: Office of the chairman of AAR, 708-439-3939

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#90318p6678 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Conquest Exploration Company (AMEX: CQX) announced today that the previously announced unsolicited bona fide offer of Forest Oil Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: FOIL) expired by its terms. The board was unable to satisfy itself that the Forest offer was likely to result in a transaction more favorable to the Conquest shareholders from a financial point of view. Conquest intends to proceed with its previously announced merge

agreement with American Exploration Company.

CONTACT: Randal B. McDonald, president of Conquest Exploration, 713-440-2000

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#90318p6681 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - PHLCORP, Inc. (NYSE: PHX), today announced its unaudited operating results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. A summary of results for the nine- and three- month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 is as follows:

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net income	$12,511,000	$5,550,000	$26,676,000	$17,333,000
Net income per common share	$.92	$.41	$1.97	$1.28

As previously reported, the results of a study of projected redemptions applicable to trading stamps issued by a subsidiary indicated that the liability for unredeemed trading stamps was in excess of required amounts by approximately $34,000,000. The company is amortizing the apparent excess over a five-year period commencing Jan. 1, 1990. As a result, after giving effect to related adjustments, results of operations for the nine- and three-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, reflect pre-tax income of approximately $4,200,000 related to this apparent excess. Results of operations for the periods ended in 1990 also include income of approximately $2,900,000 resulting from pension plan settlement and curtailment gains.

Results of operations for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989, include a provision of $5,600,000 ($500,000 in the third quarter of 1989) related to the restructuring of the trading stamp operations.

Through its operating subsidiaries, PHLCORP is engaged primarily in the trading stamps, motivation services, and property and casualty insurance businesses.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Jean Philippe Fragrances Inc. (NASDAQ: JEAN) reported record sales and earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Net sales for this quarter were $3,419,972, a 133 percent increase from sales of $1,464,773 for the corresponding quarter of the prior year. Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30 was $554,767 compared to $166,215 for the third

quarter of 1989, an increase of 233 percent.

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $6,074,312 compared to $3,363,197 in the corresponding period of the prior year, an increase of 80 percent. Net income for the first nine months was $706,552 compared to $263,125 for the corresponding period of the prior year, an increase of 168 percent.

In announcing the results, Jean Mader, the president of Jean Philippe Fragrances, stated: "Results of our Jordache Fragrances & Cosmetics line, acquired in January 1990, exceeded our expectations for the quarter because of our new cosmetic line 'Looks' which was very well received by retailers. Our core alternative designer fragrances business also performed extremely well, with sales up 20 percent. Based upon our strong results for the first nine months, we expect that 1990 will be another record year. Due to the success of our Jordache acquisition, we are actively seeking other acquisition opportunities which will complement our product and distribution base."

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#90318p6684 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BAGSVAERD, DENMARK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Novo Nordisk A/S (NYSE: NVO) today issued the following nine months and third quarter results:

Consolidated sales for the first nine months of 1990 were Dkr. 6,011 million, an increase of 9 percent compared with sales in the first nine months of 1989.

Income before tax increased 5 percent to Dkr. 905 million from Dkr. 858 million in 1989. Net income was Dkr. 597 million versus Dkr. 618 million, 3 percent lower than in the first nine months of 1989 due to an increase in the effective tax rate to the level of 32-34 percent as a result of the 1989 changes in the corporate tax laws in Denmark.

In terms of local currencies, consolidated sales increased more than 15 percent compared with the first nine months of 1989, mainly as a result of larger sales volumes and product mix improvements. However, as the average value of Novo Nordisk's currency basket decreased 8 percent in the first nine moths of 1990 compared with the same period in 1989, the sales increase only amounted to approximately 9 percent in terms of Danish kroner.

Novo Nordisk A/S is a major force in insulin production and diabetes care and is the world's largest producer of industrial enzymes.

NOVO NORDISK A/S

(Amounts in millions, except per share)

Nine months ended Sept. 30

	1990		1989(B)		Pct. Chng.
	Dkr.	US$(A)	Dkr.	US$(A)	Yr-over-Yr
Net turnover	6,011	1,005.0	5,499	919.4	9
Income before tax	905	151.3	858	143.5	5
Tax	308	51.5	240	40.1	-
Net income	597	99.8	618	103.3	-3
Earnings per share (ADS)	18.89	3.16	19.53	3.27	-3
Average number of ADSs and shares outstanding	31.6	31.6	31.6	31.6	-

Third quarter ended Sept. 30

	1990		1989(B)		Pct. Chng.
	Dkr.	US$(A)	Dkr.	US$	Yr.-over-Yr.
Net turnover	2,031	339.6	1,756	293.6	16
Income before tax	302	50.5	269	45.0	12
Tax	109	18.2	69	11.5	-
Net income	193	32.3	200	33.4	-3
Earnings per share (ADS)	6.11	1.02	6.30	1.05	-3
Average number of ADSs and shares outstanding	31.6	31.6	31.6	31.6	-

(A) Translated for convenience at the Sept. 28, 1990 exchange rate of U.S. $1.00 - Dkr. 5.9810.

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#90318p6688 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Leucadia National Corporation (NYSE: LUK) today announced its unaudited operating results for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990. Income from continuing operations for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $65,958,000 or $5.33 per common share compared to $18,414,000 or $1.37 per common share ($1.35 on a fully diluted basis) for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Loss from discontinued operations was $17,417,000 or $1.41 per common share for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to income of $3,895,000 or 29 cents per common share (28 cents on a fully diluted basis) for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989. During the second quarter of 1990, the company entered into an agreement to sell a mature block of traditional life insurance which constituted the company's traditional life insurance business. Accordingly, the loss on disposition ($16,857,000, including a provision for income taxes) and the results of operations of such business have been presented as a discontinued operation. Discontinued operations also include the company's railcar leasing and management operations and the electronic visual communications subsidiary which were sold in 1989.

Net income was $48,541,000 or $3.92 per common share for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared with $22,309,000 or $1.66 per common share ($1.63 on a fully diluted basis) for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Included in income from continuing operations for the nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 were net securities gains of $10,174,000 and $8,663,000, respectively.

LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Income from cont. operations	$12,043,000	$10,446,000	$65,958,000	$18,414,000
Income (loss) from discont. opers.	(367,000)	1,367,000	(17,417,000)	3,895,000
Net income	11,676,000	11,813,000	48,541,000	22,309,000
Earns. (loss) per common and dilutive common equiv. share: Income from cont. operations	$.99	$.79	$5.33	$1.37
Income (loss) from discont. opers.	(.03)	.10	(1.41)	.29
Net income	.96	.89	3.92	1.66
Number of shares in calculation	12,170,000	13,305,000	12,376,000	13,420,000
Fully diluted earns. (loss) per common share: Income from cont. operations	.99	.79	5.33	1.35
Income (loss) from discont. opers.	(.03)	.10	(1.41)	.28
Net income	.96	.89	3.92	1.63
Number of shares in calculation	12,170,000	13,325,000	12,377,000	13,788,000

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#90318p6692 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS, NV (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Software Developer's Company (NASDAQ: SDEV) yesterday announced a new major addition to the product line, Sourcerer's Apprentice and an important new service for programmers, Software Now! The announcements were made by Software Developer's Company (SDC) at the Comdex convention currently taking place in Las Vegas.

Sourcerer's Apprentice

Solution Systems, a SDC division, introduced the Sourcerer's Apprentice. Sourcerer's Apprentice is a version control product which will interface with numerous editors, including a seamless interface with Brief, the Programmer's Editor. By publishing the Sourcerer's Apprentice, Solution Systems, as exclusive licensee, furthers its commitment to provide software developers with a complete programming environment.

Version control allows programmers to maintain an accurate record of each version of a document as changes are made to the work. Eliminating concern that previous work may be lost, an editor is free to experiment and concentrate on being creative. In an effort to save disk space, Sourcerer's Apprentice saves only the differences from one version to the next.

In announcing the program, Eric Wilde, director of programming tools development, said, "The greatest feature of Sourcerer's Apprentice is its seamless interface with Brief. Accessing Brief from within Sourcerer's Apprentice is a real time saver."

In addition to a locking feature, removing the potential for modification after a programmer has checked out a module, the professional version of Sourcerer's Apprentice offers branching. Branching allows the programmer to create alternate lines of development on individual modules.

Software Now!

Software Now!, introduced by SDC's Programmer's Shop division, is a new distribution technology that allows for 24-hour-a-day access to, and purchase of, software programs, demonstration programs, an electronic catalog of over 2,000 products, product literature and article reprints using both on-line services and CD-ROM.

Mark Porter, director of marketing for the Programmer's Shop, said, "It's equal to having a software store open all day in your computer. If you wish to purchase any of the programs available you can actually download the software immediately. Documentation of the sale will be shipped out the next day."

Initial customers for the product, expected to be released during the first half of 1991, will be SDC's larger corporate accounts. It is anticipated that the use of Software Now! will result in better informed decisions and savings in time and money. Software publishers also benefit as it will reduce their production costs and provide greater protection against unauthorized distribution of their software.

Software Developer's Company

The Software Developer's Company, Inc., develops, publishes and distributes software development tools for the PC programming community through three divisions: Solutions Systems, publisher of Brief and other development tools

for PC programmers; the Programmer's Shop, a retail and wholesale mail-order distributor of more than 2,000 products for PC programmers, and the SDC Communications which publishes the Programmer's Shop Catalog and utilizes SDC's substantial mailing list of programming product buyers in other marketing endeavors.

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#90318p6694 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ackerley Communications Inc. (AMEX: AK) reported sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 were $41.4 million, up 8 percent from $38.2 million a year earlier. Sales for the first three quarters reached $131.1 million, up 7 percent from $122.7 million last year.

Adjusted operating profit (defined as net revenue less operating expenses plus other income before depreciation, amortization and interest) -- the "cash flow" by which the company measures its performance -- for the third quarter decreased $0.5 million to $7.2 million from $7.7 million a year earlier. Adjusted operating profit for the first nine months of 1990 also decreased $0.5 million or 2 percent to $23.9 million from $24.4 million during the same period in 1989.

The company showed a net loss applicable to common shares of $5.4 million or 35 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, compared to a net loss of $2.1 million or 14 cents per share, for the comparable quarter last year.

For the first three quarters, the company had a net loss applicable to common shares of $12.4 million, or 81 cents per share, compared to a loss during the same period a year earlier of $4.5 million or 30 cents per share. The increased net loss was primarily due to acquisitions which have increased the non-cash expenses of depreciation and amortization, as well as interest due to borrowings associated with these same acquisitions.

Ackerley Communications is a multimedia advertising business, with interests in outdoor advertising, airport displays, broadcasting and professional sports specifically the Seattle SuperSonics.

Ackerley's broadcasting properties include television stations KVOS-TV in Bellingham, Wash.; WIXT-TV in Syracuse, N.Y.; KKTV-TV in Colorado Springs, Colo.; KCBA-TV in Salinas and KGET-TV in Bakersfield, Calif. Ackerley also owns radio stations WBOS-FM in Boston; WAXY-FM in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; KJR-AM and KLTX-FM in Seattle; and KGON-FM and KFXX-AM in Portland, Ore.

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#90318p6695 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Columbia University and Reuters, the world news organization, today announced a new education program on international business and economic issues for both journalists and the general public, to be called "The Reuter Forum."

The university's Graduate School of Journalism will receive an initial two-year grant of $450,000 for the program from The Reuter Fund, which administers the charitable activities of Reuters Holdings PLC.

The Reuter Forum will include guest lectures and debates, led by well-known experts, on major issues in international business, economics and finance. The lectures will be part of an academic course for students of the journalism school and Columbia's graduate schools of business, law, international and public affairs and others. The debates will be open to the public.

Joan Konner, dean of the journalism school, said: "This exciting program builds on the strong curriculum in business reporting at the journalism school and taps the substantial international and economic expertise of the university and New York City. We applaud Reuters' recognition of the need to address the new public demand for better understanding of global economic forces and its generous response."

Reuters Editor-in-Chief Mark Wood, a Reuter Fund trustee, said: "The Columbia Graduate School of Journalism is world renowned, and we are delighted to be helping such a respected institution. The Reuter Forum will mark a major step forward for financial journalism in the United States."

The first 14-week program will be hold in spring 1991. The Reuter Forum will be directed by Pauline Tai, a widely experienced financial journalist who has held editorial posts at Money magazine and The Wall Street Journal and has served on the executive staff of the office of the secretary-general at the United Nations.

The Columbia Graduate School of Journalism, endowed by Joseph Pulitzer, enrolled its first class in 1912. Since then its graduates have become leaders across the media spectrum and its reputation as the premier training ground for journalists has reached around the world. It administers the most prestigious awards in the profession: The Pulitzer Prizes, the Alfred I. duPont-Columbia University Awards in broadcast journalism, the Maria Moors Cabot Prizes in inter-American journalism, and the National Magazine Awards. The journalism school offers an intensive, one-year degree program to some 200 graduates annually, including a dozen or more international division students. The school's Knight-Bagehot Fellowship Program in Economics and Business

Journalism, which Tai directs, provides an opportunity for 10 mid-career journalists a year to attend Columbia for advanced study.

The Reuter Fund was established by Reuters earlier this year as a charitable trust to implement an expanded program of corporate philanthropy for the Reuter Group, which comprises specialized financial and economic services and television interests as well as global news reporting.

Reuters Holdings PLC (NASDAQ: RTRSY) supplies the global business community and news media with a wide range of facilities, including real-time financial data and transaction services, access to numeric and textual historical databases, news and news pictures.

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#90318p6697 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - DI Industries, Inc. (AMEX: DRL) announced the purchase of the drilling assets of James Bigard Drilling Company. Bigard is one of the largest drilling contractors in Michigan with a material percentage of the market share in that state. The purchased assets include 12 drilling rigs with capabilities to 18,000 feet. The purchase also included the assets of a trucking company with 26 trucks in its fleet, and certain casing tool assets.

The acquisition was for $5,019,785 cash and was effective Nov. 13, 1990. Max M. Dillard, president of DI Industries, stated that this purchase is in line with the company's acquisition objectives and is a major leap forward. The assets will be operated under the company's subsidiary, Drillers, Inc., and the new entity has obtained contracts for nine of the 12 rigs in the fleet. This is a major regional addition to the 14 states in which the company is currently operating. A portion of the proceeds from the public offering in March of this year was used to finance the acquisition.

This acquisition will bring DI's domestic rig fleet to 95 drilling rigs and DI continues to have cash for further acquisitions. DI is currently profitable, reporting its best earnings since 1982.

DI Industries, Inc., provides onshore contract drilling and well workover services to firms in the oil and gas industry, commercial drilling, oil and gas exploration and production and equipment repair and sales. The common stock of the company trades on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol, "DRL."

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#90318p6698 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, FL (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Birdsboro Corporation (OTC) announced today results of operations for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales were $241,000 compared to $249,000 in the same quarter of the prior year. The company reported a net loss of $1,307,000 ($.18 per share) in the current year's quarter, vs. a net loss of $1,128,000 ($.16 per share) in the prior year's comparable quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales were $850,000 compared to $987,000 in the same period of the prior year. The company had a net loss of $3,625,000 ($.50 per share) for the current year-to-date, compared to a net loss of $3,494,000 ($.49 per share) in the same period of the prior year.

BIRDSBORO CORPORATION
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Setp. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
	(In thousands, except per share amounts)			
Net sales	$ 241	249	850	987
Net loss	$(1,307)	(1,128)	(3,625)	(3,494)
Loss per share (based on 7,198,466 average shares outstanding during the periods)	$(.18)	(.16)	(.50)	(.49)

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#90318p6702 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Archer Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: QSNDF; Toronto: AAZ) has confirmed a partial list of 12 artists that have used or are scheduled to use QSound in music recordings:

PAULA ABDUL
BON JOVI
EUROPE
JULIAN LENNON
GERARDO
STEVIE NICKS
IMANA
WILSON PHILLIPS
FREDDIE JACKSON
RICHIE SAMBORA

JANET JACKSON
STING

The first QSound recording, Madonna's greatest hits compilation, "The Immaculate Collection" is now available in music stores worldwide. Madonna and producer/engineer Shep Pettibone recently returned to the studio to remix the non-QSound Album track, "Justify My Love" for single re-release in late November.

"Finally, something that compares with the little sounds in my head," stated Madonna on QSound.

In addition to further QSound single releases anticipated in December, the first all new album recording in QSound will be Sting's "The Soul Cages," produced by Sting and Hugh Padgham, and scheduled for release in January on A&M Records.

"QSound will do to stereo what stereo did to mono," stated Hugh Padgham. Archer's President and Chief Executive Officer, Lawrence G. Ryckman, stated: "We are very pleased to announce such an impressive line-up of artists that represent virtually all the major record labels worldwide. The amount of interest QSound has generated, and the acceptance it has received from artists producers and engineers has exceeded expectations. Additional artists will be announced by the end of the year."

A QSound recording provides three-dimensional imaging along with greater depth and clarity when played on conventional stereo systems, without the consumer investing in any additional hardware. QSound can be broadcast and received on FM stereo radio and stereo cable TV.

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#90318p6703 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, FL (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Pennsylvania Engineering Corporation (PSE) announced today results of operations for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales were $5.4 million compared to $5.3 million in the same quarter of the prior year. The company reported a net loss of $4.1 million ($.21 per share) in the current year's quarter, vs. a net loss of $3.9 million ($.20 per share) in the prior year's comparable quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales were $19.3 million compared to $17.4 million in the same period of the prior year. The company

had a net loss of $11.1 million ($.57 per share) for the current year-to-date, compared to a net loss of $11.8 million ($.61 per share) in the same period of the prior year.

PENNSYLVANIA ENGINEERING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES (Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 5,356	5,321	19,301	17,411
Net loss	$(4,058)	(3,853)	(11,137)	(11,801)
Loss per share	$ (.21)	(.20)	(.57)	(.61)
Average number of common shares outstanding during the period	19,443	19,443	19,443	19,443

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-30- 1704

#90318p6704 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - NACCO Industries, Inc. (NYSE: NC) announced that the board of directors today declared a cash dividend of 15 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on both the Class A and Class B Common Stock, and will be payable December 14, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business on December 3, 1990.

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-30- 668

#90318p6705 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) today announced the completion of the installation of point-of-sale (POS) scanning and satellite systems in its more than 2,200 U.S. Kmart stores.

"POS scanning and satellite communications complete the first and most important step to ensure the success of our '90s strategies," said Joseph E. Antonini, Kmart chairman of the board and chief executive officer. "These systems are integral to our retail automation program and provide the basis for centralized merchandising, expense control and customer service."

Kmart began its retail automation program in the early 1980s with the acquisition of cash registers which were easily upgraded to scanning, but the current program began in earnest only four years ago.

"Between mid-1986 and November 1990, we have installed nearly 20,000 in-store systems. That means Kmart has installed UPC scanning at a rate substantially faster than any other retailer in history," said David M. Carlson, Kmart senior vice president, corporate information systems.

Scanning registers record the sale of every item and transmit the data to Kmart's headquarters. This allows the company to respond quickly to what's new, what's in demand and what will keep customers coming back.

Live satellite broadcasts from corporate headquarters to the field allow managers to call in questions and receive immediate responses. In addition, the transmission of data via satellite results in more efficient administration, from basic accounting to instant credit authorization.

Other steps the company has taken toward its renewal include the new store expansion and modernization program, which will add approximately 40 million square feet of selling space to the Kmart division. The company will build four new distribution centers over the next three years to establish 48-hour turnaround for merchandise deliveries to Kmart stores. And, the company introduced a new retail identity symbol signaling its commitment to change and renewal.

Kmart Corporation serves America with more than 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,336 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse, Inc., and The Sports Authority.

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#90318p6709 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

GASTONIA, NC (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Rauch Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: RCHI), a NASDAQ traded company, today announced financial results for the third quarter of 1990, ended September 30, 1990. Rauch is America's oldest and best-known manufacturer of Christmas tree ornaments and related products.

Net sales were $19.2 million for the quarter, up eight percent from $17.8 million for the year earlier quarter. The company's net income for the quarter was $2.0 million, or $1.22 per share, compared to $1.8 million, or $1.12 per share, for the same quarter last year.

Inventories, accounts receivable, accounts payable, and short-term debt at September 30, 1990 were all comparable to 1989 balances on that date. Because of the seasonal nature of the company's business, the majority of its shipments occur in the third and fourth quarters of the year.

Marshall A. Rauch, chairman, president and chief executive officer of the company, reported that total orders received through the end of September were approximately $37.1 million against $37.5 million at the comparable time last year. As of this date, total orders received during the year have risen to $37.5 million, as compared to $38.1 million at the same time last year.

Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $21.9 million, up from $21.2 million for the comparable period in 1989, an increase of three percent. Net income for the period was $1.3 million or $.79 per share compared to a net income of $.9 million or $.55 per share in the first nine months of 1989. During the second quarter of 1989, the company incurred an extraordinary charge of $.20 per share in connection with the settlement of litigation.

Rauch earned $2.5 million or $1.51 per share in 1989 on sales of $38.3 million. This was an increase of 30 percent over earnings of $1.9 million or $1.16 per share in 1988 and an increase of 17 percent over sales of $32.7 million in 1988.

CONTACT: Marshall A. Rauch, President and Chief Executive, or Donald G. Walser Executive VP and Treasurer, Rauch Industries, Inc., (704) 867-5333.

-30- 2279

#90318p6710 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Rolls-Royce plc today announced new board responsibilities and the first major change in company structure since the merger with NEI. From Jan. 1, 1991, Sir Ralph Robins will become chief executive of Rolls-Royce plc and will continue as deputy chairman of the company.

Mr. S.C. Miller, currently director - engineering, will become managing director, Aerospace Group, responsible for the total aero engine activities of the group. He will report to Sir Ralph Robins.

Mr. T. Harrison will become managing director, Industrial Power Group, which will include NEI, the company's Canadian operations, the nuclear business and the industrial and marine operations of Rolls-Royce, and the subsidiary companies MatEval, Stresswave Technology and Rolls-Royce Business Ventures Ltd. Mr. Harrison will continue as chairman of NEI and Rolls-Royce Industries Canada Inc. He will report to Sir Ralph Robins.

Lord Tombs will continue as chairman of the board of Rolls-Royce plc. Rolls-Royce is a world leader in the design, development and manufacture of civil and military aviation, marine and industrial gas turbine engines.

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-30- 1423

#90318p6711 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd. (AMEX: TPN) appointed Claude Brice as a director of the company at the board of directors meeting held in New York City today.

Brice is the Western Hemisphere Coordinator, TOTAL Exploration and Production of TOTAL Compagnie Francaise des Petroles.

Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd. is a petroleum company with refining and marketing operations in the Central Unites States and exploration and production in Canada. Its shares are listed on the American, Toronto, Montreal and Pacific stock exchanges. TOTAL Compagnie Francaise des Petroles owns approximately 52 percent of the voting shares of Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd.

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#90318p6723 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HACKENSACK, NJ (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Optical Corp. (NYSE: EYE) today reported results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Systemwide sales for the period were $32,798,000 compared to $32,530,000 during the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 was $533,000 or $.12 per share, as compared to a loss (net of losses from discontinued operations) of $223,000, or $.04 per share in the first quarter of last year.

"We are encouraged by our performance this quarter, particularly in light of the current sluggish business environment," said Richard Block, chairman and chief executive officer of Sterling Optical.

"Our results not only reflect the benefits of the actions we took this past year to improve operations and reduce debt, but also our significantly stronger competitive position in the optical retailing industry."

On Nov. 8, 1990, shareholders approved a change in the corporation's name from IPCO Corporation to Sterling Optical Corp. The company's common stock began trading under the new symbol "EYE" on the New York Stock Exchange today.

Sterling Optical is the fourth largest optical retailer in the United States. Through 244 stores, 73 of which are franchised, Sterling Optical offers a full line of prescription and non-prescription eyeglasses and sunglasses, contact lenses, optical repair services and, where permitted, optometric examinations.

STERLING OPTICAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED INCOME
(In thousands of dollars)

Three months ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
Systemwide sales	$32,798	$32,530
Sales of company-owned stores	22,779	24,263
Income from continuing operations before provision for income taxes	533	974
Provision for income taxes net of carryforward loss	--	291
Income from continuing operations	533	683
Net loss from discontinued operations	--	(247)
Net loss on disposal of discontinued operations	--	(659)
Net income (loss)	533	(223)
Primary Earnings Per Share:		
Income from continuing operations	$0.12	$0.14
Net loss from discontinued operations	--	(0.05)
Net loss on disposal of discontinued operations	--	(0.13)
Net income	0.12	(0.04)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	5,074,255	5,074,667

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LAUREL, MD. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - F&E Resource Systems Technology, Inc. (FERST), publicly traded over-the-counter (pink sheets), today announced that it has accepted a "letter of interest" from The Fuji Bank, Limited, San Francisco Agency, to pursue terms and conditions being considered to provide both a construction loan and a direct pay letter of credit for a 700 ton-per-day recycling/composting plant FERST is developing in Baltimore.

Previously, FERST announced that it had entered into letters of intent with Browning Ferris Industries to supply the waste and Chrysler Capital Corporation to provide $7 million equity for the project.

FERST plans financial closing by year-end and to be in operation by early 1992. John Hancock Resource Development, Inc., investment banker for FERST, will manage a tax exempt bond issue by the Maryland Energy Finance Administration of approximately $33 million to be guaranteed by the direct pay letter of credit.

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#90318p6725 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Visa International and Sprint International today announced the worldwide introduction of VisaPhone, a service that will greatly facilitate business and leisure travel in the United States allowing non-U.S. cardholders to simply use their Visa cards to pay for long distance calls within and from the United States.

Under the terms of the agreement signed today between Visa International and Sprint International, all Visa member financial institutions outside the United States can begin offering the VisaPhone service as an enhancement to Visa cards in the first quarter of 1991. Cardholders who enroll in the VisaPhone service will be able to use their current Visa cards to place domestic and international long-distance calls from the United States.

Visa launched the VisaPhone service in the United States earlier this year in the first phase of its campaign to penetrate the $125 billion global telecommunications market. In the U.S. market, major financial institutions including Citibank, Security Pacific, Bank of America and Wells Fargo are marketing the service to millions of their cardholders.

With VisaPhone, an individual's account number in conjunction with a telecode serves as a calling card number. Cardholders can place calls from any phone in the United States to any phone in the United States, as well as to any phone in over 170 countries. After dialing a toll-free number, cardholders choose either to dial directly or complete the call through a Sprint operator. Operator assistance is available in English, Japanese, Spanish and French, with additional languages planned for future introduction. A detailed list of calls made through VisaPhone will appear on the cardholder's monthly Visa statement in the currency of the cardholder's home country.

Initially, overseas cardholders will use VisaPhone to place long-distance calls when traveling in the United States. But in the months ahead, as Visa develops agreements with major telecommunications carriers around the world, Visa cardholders will be able to place VisaPhone calls in other countries as well.

Ultimately, VisaPhone will allow cardholders to use their Visa cards to pay for calls to and from any phone in any country in the world.

Visa, with 240 million cards in circulation, is the world's largest consumer card payment program.

Sprint International is a unit of US Sprint, which is an operation of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $ 7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the

nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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#90318p6732 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTON, MASS. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - University Bank, National Association (AMEX: UBN) today announced its results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The bank sustained a net loss in the third quarter of 1990 of $2,132,000 or 32 cents per share compared to net income of $175,000 or 3 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the bank sustained a net loss of $15,876,000 or $2.37 per share compared to a net loss of $197,000 or 3 cents per share in the first nine months of 1989.

Included in the third quarter 1990 loss were losses on the equity security portfolio of $781,000 and a provision for loan losses and losses on other real estate owned of $1,165,000. The bank's equity security portfolio has been reduced to $634,000 at Sept. 30, 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, primary capital was $13.8 million. In the first nine months of 1990, the bank's total assets have been reduced by $43 million to $368 million. The bank is continuing its discussions to sell certain assets, which, if finalized, would result in approximately a 10 percent increase in its primary capital.

University Bank, N.A. is a commercial bank founded in 1927.

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#90318p6733 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Conrail Mercury Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR), has named Kevin M. Donohue as vice president-operations.

Conrail Mercury provides customized, door-to-door intermodal service. Donohue is responsible for Conrail Mercury's truck delivery network, terminal operations and product development.

Donohue brings more than 24 years of transportation industry management experience to Conrail Mercury. Most recently, he served as vice president

and general manager of Triple Crown Services, a Norfolk Southern affiliate.

Donohue was graduated from Fordham University, New York, and holds a Master of Business Administration from Adelphi University, Garden City, N.Y.

Conrail Mercury, headquartered in the Philadelphia suburb of Plymouth Meeting, Pa., began operations in 1989. The company provides customized door-to-door service covering Conrail's premium intermodal lanes and manages a fleet of 48-foot wide-body trailers and containers operating between the Northeast and Midwest. The cornerstone of Conrail Mercury's operation is a state-of-the-art central dispatch center that manages all key elements of service, including all rail and truck carrier assignments.

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#90318p6734 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWPORT BEACH, CA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - American Health Services Corp. (NASDAQ: AHTS) said today that although revenues continue to be at record levels, write-downs and operating losses have resulted in a net loss for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, according to E. Larry Atkins, president and chief executive officer. Atkins noted that "factors which caused a third quarter operating loss included a significant one-time write-down totalling $2.9 million related to, among other things, severance arrangements, write-downs of property, equipment and intangible assets related to the termination of certain projects which no longer meet our strategic goals, and other operating losses of $230,000 due to increased maintenance expenses and the costs of equipment upgrades at some older centers."

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, American Health Services had a 34 percent increase in revenues to $8,729,000 compared with $6,497,000 for the same three month period a year ago. The company reported income from center operations for the quarter of $745,000 compared with income from center operations of $1,415,000 for the third quarter last year. The company reported a net loss for the quarter of $3,097,000, or $(.35) per share, compared with net income of $247,000, or $.03 per share for the comparable three month period in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 revenues increased 31 percent to $24,223,000 from $18,435,000 for the same nine months in 1989. The company reported income from center operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $4,007,000 compared with $4,073,000 for the year ago period. The company reported a net loss for the 1990 nine month period of $2,326,000, or $(.30) per share, compared with net income of $770,000, or $.08 per share for the same period a year ago. The 1990 nine months loss was primarily due to write-downs and lower income from center operations in the third quarter.

American Health Services Corp. is one of the nation's largest operators of fixed-site magnetic resonance imaging centers.

AMERICAN HEALTH SERVICES CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(UNAUDITED)

Period ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Imaging centers	$8,729,049	$6,497,449	$24,222,868	$18,434,655
Expenses:				
Imaging centers	7,813,271	4,943,348	19,569,850	13,917,790
Provision for center profit distributions	170,789	139,590	646,471	444,138
Income from center operations	744,989	1,414,511	4,006,547	4,072,727
Corporate operating expenses	964,101	552,590	2,435,615	1,719,263
Income (loss) from operations before interest	(219,112)	861,921	1,570,932	2,353,464
Interest expense, net	601,087	615,405	1,713,429	1,583,237
Other expenses	2,276,791	--	2,276,791	--
Income (loss) before extraord. item	(3,096,990)	246,516	(2,419,288)	770,227
Extraordinary item:				
Gain on early extinguishment of long-term debt	--	--	93,450	--
Net income (loss)	(3,096,990)	246,516	(2,325,838)	770,227
Earnings per share:				
Income (loss) before extraord. item	(0.35)	0.03	(0.31)	0.08
Extraordinary item	--	--	0.01	--
Earnings (loss) per share	(0.35)	0.03	(0.30)	0.08

CONTACT: Clarke Underwood, chief financial officer of American Health Services, 714-476-0733, or Sherry Spalter of The Wall Street Group, 212-344-9131, for American Health Services

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#90318p6736 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Midway Airlines invites travelers to "warm up the winter" with its Hot Tickets for Cold Months Sale offering travel bargains

beginning Thanksgiving Day and continuing through Feb. 28, 1991, announced John P. Tague, senior vice president of marketing and planning. Kids, students and senior citizens qualify for even greater savings.

"Now is the time to purchase tickets for that vacation or holiday travel you thought you couldn't afford," said Tague. "Effective Nov. 14 through Nov. 30, passengers can purchase tickets for as little as $24 to $139 one-way for travel between Chicago and the destinations Midway serves in the continental United States."

Midway also extends its invitation to kids. Two children, ages 2 through 17, may each travel for a special fare of $49 one-way when accompanied by an adult paying Hot Tickets prices.

Students and seniors, age 62 and older, also benefit with a savings of 10 percent off the Hot Tickets Fares. Students must be between 16 and 26 years old and must present a valid high school or college identification. This 10 percent discount does not apply to Kids Fares.

Hot Tickets Fares are valid for travel every day of the week except certain black-out dates. Tickets are non-refundable and require a seven-day advance purchase. Certain minimum stay and other restrictions may apply.

Midway Airlines general reservations toll-free number outside Chicago is 800-866-9000. Special service numbers are: telemarketing 800-866-9888; group sales 800-866-9555; French language 800-866-9010; and FlyersFirst 800-866-9070. In Chicago, the reservations number is 312-767-3400.

Midway Airlines offers coast-to-coast service from its hubs at Chicago's close-in Midway Airport and Philadelphia International Airport. Midway Airlines and its wholly owned subsidiary, the Midway Commuter, serve 60 destinations in the United States, Canada, U.S. Virgin Islands and the Bahamas.

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#90318p6738 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVERPOOL, N.Y. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Fay's Incorporated (NYSE: FAY) reported earnings, before an extraordinary charge, for the third quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990, were a record $2,572,000 or $.17 per share, compared to $2,475,000 or $.16 per share in the third quarter of last year. Pretax earnings increased 15.5 percent to a record $4,244,000. The corporation's tax rate for the quarter was 39.4 percent, versus 32.6 percent for the same quarter a year ago. The unusually low tax rate last year was due to realizing the tax benefit of capital loss carryforwards. Revenues for the quarter increased 17.6 percent to a record $166.4 million from $141.5 million a year earlier. Revenues for comparable stores (stores open one year or more as of

Oct. 27, 1990) increased 11.1 percent for the quarter.

During the third quarter, Fay's called for redemption of the balance of its outstanding 13 3/4 percent Subordinated Debentures due 2005, resulting in an extraordinary charge of $664,000 or $.05 per share for the quarter. Net earnings for the third quarter, after giving effect to the extraordinary charge, were $1,908,000 or $.12 per share.

Fay's earnings for the first three quarters of the year, before extraordinary charges, were a record $7,301,000 or $.47 per share, compared to $6,848,000 or $.45 per share earned in the first nine months of last year. Revenues for the first three quarters increased 16.9 percent to $482 million from $412.4 million a year earlier. For the first three quarters of the year, revenues for comparable stores increased 9.4 percent.

In addition to the redemption of $15 million face value of its Subordinated Debentures in the third quarter, Fay's repurchased, in open market transactions, $12 million face value of its Subordinated Debentures during the first quarter of the year. The cumulative effect on earnings for the first three quarters resulting from the redemption and open market purchases of the Subordinated Debentures was an extraordinary charge of $1,238,000 or $.08 per share. Net earnings for the first three quarters of the year, after giving effect to the extraordinary charges, were $6,063,000 or $.39 per share.

FAY'S INCORPORATED
(Unaudited)

	Thirteen Weeks Ended October 27, 1990	Three Months Ended October 31, 1989
Revenues	$166,430,000	$141,490,000
Earnings Before Taxes	4,244,000	3,674,000
Earnings Before Extraordinary Charge	2,572,000	2,475,000
Extraordinary Charge - Early Extinguishment of Debt	(664,000)	---
Net Earnings	1,908,000	2,475,000
Earnings Per Share:		
Earnings Before Extraordinary Charge	$.17	$.16
Extraordinary Charge	$(.05)	---
Net Earnings	.12	.16
Average Shares Outstanding	15,408,566	15,363,529
Stores in Operation at End of Period	240	208

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#90318p6739 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Larizza Industries, Inc. (AMEX: LII), an original equipment supplier to the automotive and defense industries, today announced an operating loss for the third quarter of 1990 of $639,000 compared to an operating loss of $3,454,000 for the third quarter of the prior year.

After interest and other non-operating expenses, the company reported a net loss in the current quarter of $5,082,000 or $0.37 per share on sales of $30,331,000 compared with a net loss of $5,815,000 or $0.42 per share on sales of $41,372,000 in the prior year's quarter. The net loss for the current third quarter includes $1,342,000 of non- operating charges related to operational and financial restructuring costs.

For the nine months, the company reported a net loss of $10,091,000 or $0.73 per share, vs. a net loss of $7,502,000 or $0.54 per share reported in the first nine months of 1989. Sales for the nine months were $109,757,000 vs. $143,218,000 in the prior year's first nine months. Results for the nine months include a non-recurring net loss of $2,147,000 related to the company's plating operation which was sold on April 6, 1990, and $2,009,000 of non-operating charges related to operational and financial restructuring costs.

Sales for the quarter and the nine months decreased primarily as a result of the disposition of the company's plating operation on April 6, 1990, and the closure of its Pulsar Plastics operation in December 1989. Sales for the periods were also down as a result of lower sales to the automotive OEMs caused by lower OEM car builds.

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#90318p6740 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

FT. WORTH, TX (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Wolverine Exploration Company (NASDAQ: WEXC) today announced its results for the first nine months of 1990. The company reported revenues for the first nine months of 1990 of $29.8 compared to $3.8 for the same period in 1989. The increase was due primarily to the increase in production from approximately 1,600 barrels of oil equivalency per day for the year 1989 compared to an average rate of approximately 9,100 barrels of oil equivalency per day for the first nine months of 1990.

As a result of this increased revenue, cash flow from operations for the first nine months of 1990 was $13.2 million compared to a deficit of $3 million for the first nine months of 1989. The net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $15.9 million ($1.14 per share) as compared to a loss for the comparable period in 1989 of $8.3 million ($.66 per share). Included in the 1990 loss is

an extraordinary charge of $1.6 million ($.10 per share) relating to a loss on early retirement of exchangeable notes.

Exploration expenses increased from approximately $3 million during the first nine months of 1989 to $9.3 million for the same period in 1990 as a result of increased exploratory activity by the company primarily in the Austin Chalk trend and the exploration agreements with Oryx and Amoco. Operating expenses also increased as a result of the increased production to $3.8 million for the first nine months of 1990 compared to $399,000 for the comparable period in 1989. The largest increase in expenses was the depreciation and amortization which increased to $20.8 million for the first nine months of 1990 compared to $1.1 million for the same period in 1989.

W. T. Smith, chairman of the board of Wolverine, said that, with the exploration program with Oryx in the Austin Chalk area of South Texas and in the Sand Wash Basin of Colorado, the Amoco 1990 Gulf Coast Program and the operations both in the D. J. Basin in Wyoming and in Canada with Union Pacific Resources, we feel more optimistic than ever about the company's future.

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#90318p6741 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeion Corporation (NASDAQ: ANGN) will launch its ANGEDAPT(TM), a Y-adapter connector, at the American Heart Association's annual meeting in Dallas this week.

The ANGEDAPT is designed for use with a guiding catheter to control bleeding in angioplasties. The ANGEDAPT may also be used to stabilize catheters for use in atherectomy, laser therapy, valvuloplasty, coronary ultrasound and angioscopy procedures.

After the catheter is inserted into the ANGEDAPT and positioned in the artery, the ANGEDAPT's adjustable valve and rotating adapter lock the catheter into place and seal against blood loss. The ANGEDAPT is available in a large lumen size which enables it to accept catheter sizes up to and including 9 French. Each Y-Adapter is individually packaged in a sterile tray.

Additional components to the ANGEDAPT product line will be launched in early 1991. They include a double ANGEDAPT, for use in double wire/catheter angioplasty; and an ANGEDAPT with wire clip, for use in procedures where the guidewire is not coaxial with the catheter lumen (i.e., bare wire PTCAs).

The ANGEDAPT product line will be marketed in the United States and internationally under the Angeion label. The company estimates the market potential for the product line at $10 million.

This is Angeion's third proprietary product line and the second of its angioplasty accessory product lines. Its first angioplasty accessory product, the ANGESTAT(TM) product line, a hemostasis valve introducer, was released in 1990.

Minneapolis-based Angeion Corporation is a manufacturer of cardiovascular products. Under its subsidiary, AngeLase, Inc., it is currently engaged in the research and development of a catheter which would provide a nonsurgical cure for arrhythmia. Angeion's current core business target is the angioplasty accessory market. Angeion is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ANGN and on the Boston Stock Exchange under the symbol ANI.

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#90318p6742 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Tecogen Inc. (AMEX: TGN) today reported that its revenues for the 12 months ended Sept. 29, 1990, were $17,761,000, compared with $17,438,000 in 1989. Net income was $286,000, compared with $501,000 in 1989.

Dr. Ravinder K. Sakhuja, president and chief executive officer of Tecogen Inc. said, "We are making progress with our work on vehicles powered by our compressed natural gas (CNG) TecoDrive(tm) engine. Tecogen's medium-duty CNG truck recently passed driveability and performance tests at General Motors and a second CNG truck is now being road-tested at our laboratories. We have also begun to outfit 10 more school buses with our CNG engines for use in California school districts in 1991."

Tecogen Inc. manufactures, markets, and services packaged cogeneration and commercial cooling systems fueled principally by natural gas. The company also conducts research and development on low-emission natural gas engines for vehicles; pump, compressor, and electric generator drives; as well as advanced systems for clean-coal combustion and other high-efficiency gas-fueled devices. Tecogen is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

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#90318p6743 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, NY (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Barrister Information Systems Corporation (AMEX: BIS) today reported second quarter and first-half financial results for fiscal 1991. For the quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, the net loss improved to $796,000 or $.26 per share compared to a net loss of $1,824,000 or $.60 per share for the comparable period last year. For the six months ended Sept. 28,

1990 the net loss was $1,061,000, compared to a loss of $3,398,000 for the prior period last year. On a per share basis the net loss for the six month period is $.35 per share, compared to a net loss of $1.11 per share for the comparable period last year.

Total revenues for the second quarter declined to $5,669,000 from $6,931,000 for the comparable quarter last year. For the six month periods ended Sept. 28, 1990 and Sept. 29, 1989 revenues were $13,093,000 and $14,427,000, respectively.

Henry P. Semmelhack, president of Barrister, stated, "While we are pleased that we have significantly reduced our net loss through major cost-cutting steps taken earlier by mangement, we were disappointed that an improved level of sales failed to materialize. We believe that purchasing decisions by law firms have been influenced by weaknesses in the general economy."

Semmelhack also noted that the company had received a large contract for its new Advanced Law Firm Mangement software during the quarter and that the company intends to continue its active marketing of this new product to its existing clients during the balance of the current fiscal year.

"The company has reorganized its national field operations into two geographic areas to achieve improved efficiency in marketing and profit and loss responsibility. Mangement also continues to tightly control expenses," Semmelhack stated.

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#90318p6745 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENBELT, MD (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas James Associates, Inc., market makers for Holiday RV Superstores, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: RVEE) reports that "Wall Street has discounted the negative effects of the current market on Holiday's stock and realizes the strategic mid-term potential in the dynamic $15.2 billion recreational vehicle market. The potential of 78 million 'baby boomers' reaching the primary industry target age of 50 will spell major market growth in the years to come. Holiday RV Superstores, Inc. is the industry's only pure play RV chain retailer."

Thomas James Associates, Inc. reports 40 percent stock advance Tuesday, Nov. 13 as the third top performer in winners and losers on the street.

OTC TOP FIVE ADVANCES

	Last	Change	Pct.
Enyon	6 7/8	+ 2 1/2	57.1 pct.
Offce Pd	2 5/16	+ 11/16	42.3 pct.

HOLIDAY RV	1 3/4	+ 1/2	40.0 pct.
Ithaca Bcp	4 1/2	+ 1 1/4	38.5 pct.
Mdwst Com	1 1/2	+ 3/8	33.3 pct.

OTC TOP FIVE DECLINES

	Last	Change	Pct.
Utd Shop	1	- 7/16	30.4 pct.
Texscan	3	- 1 1/4	29.4 pct.
Fdl Sav Bk	4	- 1 1/2	27.3 pct.
Movie Supr	1	- 3/8	27.3 pct.
Homestd Hld	3	- 1	25.0 pct.

For more information and research report on Holiday RV Superstores, Inc., contact Jeff Gastrau at Thomas James Associates, Inc., 7855 Walker Dr., Suite 500, Greenbelt, Md. 20770.

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#90318p6752 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors dealers in the United States today reported the following vehicle sales:

	Period Nov. 1-10		Calendar Year(a) Jan. 1-Nov. 10	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Vehicles	109,904	102,971	4,414,957	4,571,670
Percent Change Per S/D	+6.7	---	-3.4	---
Total Cars	71,325	65,351	2,938,352	3,069,056
Percent Change Per S/D	+9.1	---	-4.3	---
Total Trucks	38,579	37,620	1,476,605	1,502,614
Percent Change Per S/D	+2.6	---	-1.7	---

Division	Period Nov. 1-10		Calendar Year Jan. 1-Nov. 10	
Total Vehicles	1990	1989	1990	1989
Chevrolet	59,581	54,157	2,343,768	2,375,468
Pontiac	13,438	13,058	596,772	612,246
Oldsmobile	11,484	10,876	475,142	541,997
Buick	11,760	10,572	470,263	479,178
Cadillac	5,929	6,560	223,332	232,438
GMC	7,712	7,748	305,680	330,343
Domestic Sales				
Cars	68,895	62,549	2,783,155	2,924,838
Lt. Duty Trucks	37,744	36,748	1,442,259	1,462,716

NOTE: Nine selling days (S/D) in the Nov. 1-10 period this year and last year.

(a) -- Year-to-year percent change is not adjusted for selling days.

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#90318p6754 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAWRENCE, MA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - First Essex Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: FESX) announced today a net loss for the fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $11.1 million (or $1.85 per share) compared to net income of $1.0 million (or 16 cents per share) for the same period in 1989. Net interest income before the provision for possible loan losses totaled $4.2 million for the quarter, compared to $4.2 million for the same period in 1989. The net loss resulted primarily from a higher provision for possible loan losses, $10.3 million compared to $3.4 million for the same period in 1989, as well as from $3.0 million of expenses associated with the management of other real estate owned including the write down of carrying values in certain cases and $434,000 of expenses associated with the termination of the proposed merger with Andover Bancorp, Inc. Additionally, goodwill in the amount of $2.5 million which resulted from the 1989 acquisition of First Essex Savings Bank of New Hampshire (formerly Fortune Guaranty Savings Bank) was written off.

The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $12.7 million compared to net income of $3.7 million for the same period in 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, non-accruing loans were $19.5 million compared to $23.7 million at June 30, 1990 and the allowance for possible loan losses was $10.9 million (or 55.9 percent of non-accruing loans) compared to $7.7 million (or 33.6 percent of non-accruing loans) at June 30, 1990. Other real estate owned at Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $21.3 million compared to $16.9 million at June 30, 1990.

Leonard A. Wilson, president and chief executive officer stated: "We continue to monitor the quality of the bank's assets, an ongoing exercise that is extremely important in light of continued deterioration of the region's economy. Based on what we have experienced and what we know today regarding the real estate environment, we believe it is prudent that we continue to add to our reserve levels. After recognizing the resulting net loss, First Essex's capital to assets ratio remains strong at 13.3 percent."

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BOSTON (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Ares-Serono Group today reported worldwide sales of US$150.9 million for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $114.9 million for the same period last year, an increase of 31.3 percent. Net income increased by 8.9 percent to $14.8 million or $27.14 per share, compared with $13.5 million or $24.91 per share in 1989. Commenting on these results, Fabio Bertarelli, chief executive officer of The Ares-Serono Group, remarked, "Sales performance for the third quarter proves to be well above the industry average, encouraging us to pursue our strong R & D investment strategy."

Worldwide sales for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990 rose 24.1 percent to $453.2 million, compared with $365.3 million during the same period in 1989. Excluding favorable currency fluctuations, actual sales growth for the nine months of 1990 was 14.0 percent. Net income rose 3.6 percent to $44.8 million or $82.37 a share, compared with $43.2 million or $79.52 per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Net income shows the impact of the group's continuous investments in research and development, in marketing, as well as its keeping up with a high level of investments in the diagnostic field. In addition, it includes foreign exchange differences of $3.0 million from Latin America, and increased financial expenses.

Year-to-date prescription pharmaceutical sales worldwide increased by 27.6 percent to $376.6 million from $295.2 million during the same period last year. After adjusting for currency effects, the growth in sales of pharmaceutical products was 17.1 percent.

Sales growth for pharmaceuticals was positively impacted by the new oncological indications obtained for Serono's native beta interferon, Frone, in Italy last quarter as well as the strong market penetration of Saizen, the recombinant human growth hormone, in Italy, France, Germany and Spain.

For the first nine months of 1990, sales of the group's diagnostic products were $67.5 million, up 13.2 percent from $59.6 million. During the last quarter, the diagnostic division registered a particularly strong increase in sales on the French market as well as on its export markets.

During the first nine months of 1990, sales of over-the-counter products declined from $10.5 million to $9.1 million, due to the one-time repurchase of inventories in the first quarter resulting from a switch from an external to an internal Ares-Serono distribution network. Third quarter sales of the OTC division increased by 54.3 percent to $3.6 million.

The Ares-Serono Group is a leading multinational developer and marketer of pharmaceutical and diagnostic products with executive headquarters in Geneva,

Switzerland, and operating headquarters in Boston, USA. The Group operates subsidiaries and manufacturing facilities in more than 20 countries.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - For the second time this year, Bechtel has been chosen to help develop a major international airport in Asia -- this time a $5-billion-plus facility that will be built on a man-made island in the Yellow Sea, just off the Korean capital of Seoul.

The new Yong Jong Do International Airport, destined to be one of the world's 10 largest will include commercial development areas and an accompanying ground transportation system that will link the island facility to the mainland.

Bechtel's involvement in Seoul, coupled with its announcement earlier this year that it would serve as project manager for Phase One of the massive Hong Kong Airport Works job, means the worldwide engineering and construction company is now involved in helping develop two of the world's largest airport/ground transportation projects.

In all, Bechtel has been involved in the construction of more than 60 major domestic and international airport projects around the world. Current assignments also include serving as construction manager for the redevelopment of John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York City and as project manager for the McCarran 2000 airport expansion program in Las Vegas.

"We are pleased with the confidence shown by Korean Government officials in selecting us for a project of such substantial significance to their country," said Robert L. Polvi, president of Bechtel Civil Co. "The involvement, we feel represents further proof of our broad-based and worldwide capabilities in the Aviation Services area."

In the case of Seoul, the Korean Ministry of Transportation selected a consortium made up of Bechtel International Inc. and Yooshin Engineering Corp. to develop a master plan and to carry out preliminary engineering studies for the new airport.

Yong Jong Do International will be constructed on an island located just off the coastal city of Inchon, about 30 miles west of Seoul's central business district. The 6,200-acre facility will be designed to serve as a "hub" for the growing number of international airline routes now serving or planned for Northeast Asia.

In making its announcement, the Korean Ministry said that Bechtel and Yooshin,

a Korean engineering firm, have been selected to develop a master plan and preliminary engineering for the airport itself, as well as related support facilities. Included will be the development of a connecting transportation plan that calls for the construction of a bridge to carry high-speed rail and highway traffic to the island from Seoul. The government said Bechtel and Yooshin also will produce environmental impact assessments, a comprehensive land use plan, and will be responsible for general site planning.

"This airport and its associated infrastructure is bound to play a crucial role in supporting Korea's rapidly expanding economic growth and in linking the nation to other important worldwide markets," said Michael K. Stephenson, senior vice president in charge of transportation projects. "The eventual scope of this job is enormous."

Stephenson said final contract negotiations for the Bechtel-Yooshin consortium's $4.8 million, 13-month assignment are expected to begin immediately. Bechtel's work on the project will be done in Seoul and at its offices here and in Los Angeles.

In carrying out their assignment, Bechtel and Yooshin will decide on the location and size of a number of structures and facilities associated with the new airport, including runways, taxiways, aprons and navigational aids and a passenger terminal complex. The consortium also will be responsible for preparing plans for a complex array of airport support facilities, including cargo terminals, an aircraft maintenance complex, a fuel farm, crash/fire/rescue stations, an airport maintenance complex, catering facilities, a ground support equipment maintenance base, and a variety of related structures.

The new, grass-roots airport will supplement Seoul's existing Kimpo International Airport, which is expected to begin reaching capacity sometime between 1994 and 1996. Plans are for the new facility to open in 1997.

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ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, N.J. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Emil Ramat, chairman of the board of American Midland Corporation (NASDAQ: AMCOC) today announced that the company has settled its lawsuit against The Travelers Indemnity Company for the sum of $2 million.

The suit arose out of a U.S. Air Force modular housing contract completed by the company in 1977. Travelers had bonded performance by one of the company's sub-contractors. An earlier judgment secured by the company against Travelers in the amount of approximately $3,600,000 had been vacated by the U.S. Court of Appeals, and a new trial ordered. The settlement was

entered into prior to commencement of the new trial.

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FARMINGTON, N.M. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesa Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ: MESA) announced its year-end earnings figures today. The company has also announced that it has filed an amendment to the registration statement for public offering that it filed in June of this year.

The company reported, based on unaudited figures, net income of $3.6 million for the year, or $2.14 a share. This equals a 239.7 percent increase in earnings over last year. Operating revenues rose 104.4 percent to $45,954,000 from $22,507,000.

For the fourth quarter (July - September), the company reported net earnings of $918,000 or 55 cent a share, a 37.5 percent increase. Operating revenues for the quarter were $15,887,000 as compared to $6,845,000 last year.

Year-end traffic figures were also released with the company having experienced an 84.9 percent increase in passengers carried and a 99.6 percent increase in revenue passenger miles. Load factor climbed 1.3 percent to 48.3 percent for the year.

Mesa has filed an amendment to the registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission originally filed on June 22, 1990, covering the registration of 2,000,000 shares of its common stock for sale to the public. The amendment reflects an anticipated reduction in the offering to 750,000 shares. All shares are being offered by the company and the proceeds will represent new financing. The offering is to be subject to a firm underwriting managed by Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. The company anticipates that the offering will come to market the first week in December.

Mesa Airlines operates as an independent carrier out of its Albuquerque and Phoenix hubs and as a United Express carrier out of its Denver hub under a code-share agreement with United Air Lines. Skyway Airlines, a wholly owned subsidiary, operates as a code-share with Midwest Express Airlines out of its Milwaukee hub.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer,

solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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ENGLEWOOD, N.J. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Graphic Scanning Corp. (NASDAQ: GSCC) announced today that it paid approximately $3 million to various respondents, in In Re Applications of A.S.D. Answer Service, Inc. et al., as reimbursement of legal expenses incurred by them in the course of this proceeding.

The A.S.D. Case was an evidentiary hearing commenced by the Federal Communications Commission in 1982 regarding the question of whether Graphic had an undisclosed interest in certain applications filed by supposedly unrelated parties for paging licenses on the 34 and 43 MHz frequencies at various locations throughout the United States. Payment was made pursuant to a settlement agreement previously approved by the Federal Communications Commission. Such settlement was previously provided for in the company's financial statements.

Graphic Scanning Corp. is a leading provider of telecommunications services in the United States and a growing provider of telecommunications services in the United Kingdom. Graphic Scanning operates one of the nation's largest radio paging businesses, is a major holder in two cellular radio telephone partnerships, and serves the corporate syndicate communications needs of the country's investment banking community. In addition, the company participates through joint ventures in wireless cable and FM broadcast operations.

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PENNSAUKEN, NJ (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - J & J Snack Foods Corp. (NASDAQ: JJSF) today reported record sales for the 19th consecutive year.

However, for the first year in its history, earnings declined. Sales for the 52 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990, increased 11 percent to $96,443,000 from $86,850,000 for the 53 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net earnings decreased 37 percent to $3,702,000 in fiscal 1990 from $5,906,000 in fiscal 1989. Earnings per share were $.44 based on 8,467,000 shares this year compared to $.75 on fully diluted shares of 8,526,000 shares last year. Without $951,000 adjustments for streamlining manufacturing operations and discontinued inventories, net earnings would have been $4,311,000 or $.51 per share.

For the 13 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990, sales increased 6 percent to

$28,510,000 from $26,946,000 for the 14 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net earnings decreased 35 percent to $1,680,000 in the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter from $2,583,000 in last year's fourth quarter. Earnings per share were $.20 based on 8,373,000 shares compared to $.30 based on 8,576,000 shares. Without $448,000 of charges for streamlining manufacturing operations and discontinued inventories, net earnings would have been $1,967,000 or $.23 per share.

"A combination of unrelated conditions affected our financial performance in fiscal 1990," said Gerald B. Shreiber, J & J Snack Foods president and chief executive officer. "Our core businesses remain strong and fertile. We look forward to the continued expansion of our frozen carbonated beverage business and the effects or our new food service and retail supermarketing programs," Shreiber added.

J & J Snack Foods manufactures and markets nutritional snack foods to the food service and retail supermarket industries. Its principal products include SUPERPRETZEL(R) and other brand soft pretzels, ICEE(R) and FROZEN COKE frozen carbonated beverages, frozen treats and desserts, churros, cookies, muffins and baked health foods. J & J has plant facilities in Pennsauken; Scranton and Hatfield, Pa.; Vernon (Los Angeles); Santa Fe Springs, Calif., and Chicago Heights, Ill.

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DETROIT (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Little Caesars(R) Pizza made a special landing this morning at Detroit's Metro Airport with the opening of its newest Detroit-area restaurant in the J.M. Davey Terminal.

The Little Caesars Pizza Station, which seats 80 people, will offer airport employees and patrons a variety of delicious menu items including tasty breakfast specials.

Menu items at the restaurant will include Little Caesars Pizza!Pizza!(R) or Pan!Pan!(R) (small, medium and large), pizza sold by the slice, Baby Pan!Pan!(R), Crazy Crust(R) and Crazy Bread(R), nine different Caesar sandwiches(R), salads, five pasta dishes, veal parmesan, chicken parmesan, coffee, iced tea, lemonade and soft drinks.

For breakfast, Little Caesars customers can choose between two egg specials, fresh muffins, cinnamon rolls and juice. The restaurant will be open for business seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. The franchisees are Vince and Donna Thomas.

Detroit-based Little Caesars Pizza is the world's largest carry-out pizza

chain with nearly 3,000 restaurants in all 50 states, Canada, and England. By the end of 1990, the pizza chain projects to have 3,300 restaurants open with $1.5 billion in systemwide sales.

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ROANOKE, VA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Littlefield, Adams & Company (AMEX: LFA), a company engaged in the business of manufacturing and imprinting leisurewear and team garments, has filed its form 10Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter 1990 were $1,653,000 as compared with $1,846,000 for the third quarter of 1989. The net loss for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990, amounted to $38,000 as compared to a profit for the same quarter in 1989 of $4,000.

Sales volume for the quarter fell substantially below management's plan due to an overall sluggish economy. Collegiate did not receive college reorders as anticipated but believes they will come in October and November.

As a result of the settlement of litigation with the third party buyer of the publishing division, a write-down of $316,000 against a long term note was recorded in the second quarter ended June 30, 1990.

In May, 1989, a settlement was reached with a former director in litigation over a certain deferred compensation dispute. As a result of this, the company recorded a $214,000 gain on this settlement.

LITTLEFIELD, ADAMS & COMPANY CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

	For the Three Months Ended September 30		For the Nine Months Ended September 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales & Other Revenues	$1,653,000	$1,846,000	$4,768,000	$5,001,000
Net Income (Loss)	(38,000)	4,000	(430,000)	184,000
Net Income (Loss) Per Share (A)	($.04)	$.004	($.40)	$.17

(A) - Average number of shares outstanding for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 and 1989 was 1,073,820.

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TROY, MI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - OIS Optical Imaging Systems, Inc. (OTC: OVON) ("OIS") today reported its unaudited operating results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as follows:

OIS OPTICAL IMAGING SYSTEMS, INC.

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
	(In thousands)	
REVENUES		
Product and prototype research, development and sales	$1,514	$ 774
Licensing and royalties	279	---
Other (substantially all interest)	54	182
Total revenues	$1,847	$ 956
Total expenses	2,438	2,479
Net (loss)	($591)	($1,523)
Net (loss) per share (in dollars)	($.04)	($.11)

Total revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 93 percent as compared to the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, while total expenses and net loss decreased 2 percent and 61 percent, respectively.

Revenues from product and prototype research, development and sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 96 percent primarily due to revenues from the development and delivery of 5-inch color television prototype displays for Samsung Electron Devices Co., Ltd. and the transfer of amorphous silicon sensor technology to UNIPAC Opto-electronics Corporation.

In addition to ongoing projects, OIS continued to perform work on and complete previous and new product and prototype research, development and sales of aircraft and military prototype liquid crystal displays for existing and new customers during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Total revenues from these agreements and orders did not materially change as compared to the same quarter in the previous year.

Licensing and royalties revenues primarily consisted of revenues from a license agreement with an electronic component company based in Japan, for OIS amorphous silicon sensor technology, which was signed in July 1990.

Other revenues for the quarter decreased 70 percent primarily due to decreased interest income earned.

While the total expenses did not significantly decrease, cost of revenues from product and prototype research, development and sales decreased 40 percent, primarily due to the reversal of previously recorded costs in excess of anticipated billings. In addition, these reversals primarily resulted due to reductions in the estimated cost to complete several customer agreements and orders. The reductions are attributable to the resolution of certain ongoing technical problems related to developing and manufacturing of active matrix flat panel displays.

In addition, internal research and development expenses increased 123 percent primarily due to the efforts to resolve these certain ongoing technical problems.

OIS develops flat panel electronic displays and electronic imaging and scanning systems. Currently, OIS is focusing its proprietary display technology on avionic and military applications in order to become a leading U.S.-based manufacturer of flat panel displays.

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NORTHBROOK, ILL (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors declared on Nov. 12, 1990 the regular quarterly cash dividends of Pittway Corp. (AMEX: PRY) for the fourth quarter in the amount of 15 cents per share of common stock and 27 1/2 cents per share of Class A stock.

The payment date for these dividends was accelerated to late December 1990 instead of the normal early January 1991 payment date. The payment date for each is Dec. 27, 1990 to holders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

The dividend on Class A Stock includes 10 cents per share which is effective for each of the next eight quarters in connection with last year's merger of Pittway and Standard Shares, Inc.

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EAST HANOVER, NJ (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Clozaril Patient Management System (CPMS) has safely protected 139 schizophrenic patients from potentially life-threatening white blood cell disorders since the introduction of Clozaril (clozapine) in February 1990, Sandoz Pharmaceuticals Corporation announced today.

David L. Winter, M.D., vice president of scientific and external affairs, said that agranulocytosis-related reactions, which are characterized by reductions in white blood cells, are occurring in up to two percent of the patients who have begun therapy in the past seven months. Of the 139 identified cases, 39 patients had progressed into agranulocytosis, which is a life-threatening reaction, he said.

Clozaril is associated with a one to two percent incidence of agranulocytosis, a potentially fatal blood disorder that leaves a patient vulnerable to infection due to marked reductions in the white blood cell count.

CPMS was developed specifically to identify early warning signs of and prevent the development of agranulocytosis. CPMS is a nationwide drug distribution system that requires weekly blood monitoring of all patients. It provides for the timely notification of monitoring results to attending physicians and the development of a computerized patient data base.

"The information generated through the first seven months of clinical experience with Clozaril continues to confirm the high risk that is associated with this drug and the effectiveness of CPMS in protecting patients' lives," said Winter.

"Due to the weekly monitoring, patients who experience a dangerous drop in white blood cells are immediately withdrawn from therapy with no lasting adverse side effects. "To date we have had no deaths. Our experience indicates however, that at least 12 patients could have died had the system not been operating at its required effectiveness rate."

Winter cited the case of a patient who recently developed white blood cell count abnormalities while living 150 miles from her psychiatrist in Billings, Mont., as an example of the life-saving potential of a system which assures that patients will be followed no matter where they choose to live.

"The CPMS staff informed me immediately about the change in the patient's white blood cell count, and I was able to discontinue her medication and hospitalize the patient to double-check the test results and closely monitor her recovery," said the psychiatrist, David B. Carlson, M.D.

"Given Montana's widely scattered population and lack of mental illness services, I would not be able to prescribe Clozaril therapy for my patients without CPMS. As it is, CPMS is an extension of my office; it's like having my nurses run the system," said Carlson.

Clozaril is the first significant antipsychotic agent for schizophrenia in 20 years. Clozaril is indicated for severely ill schizophrenic patients who have failed to respond adequately to standard antipsychotic drug therapy.

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#90318p6788 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - ARC International Corporation (AMEX, TSE: ATV) today announced consolidated operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter of 1990 were approximately $22.5 million compared to $22.45 million last year. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, sales were $66.6 million compared to $67.1 million. It should be noted that the 1989 comparative figures include sales of approximately $441,000 and $2.8 million, respectively, obtained from the microwave component manufacturing business which was sold earlier this year.

The company has incurred significant research and development costs related to both the improvement and upgrading of existing products and the development of new products. Such costs are charged to current operations as incurred, and amounted to $485,125 and $1,038,438, respectively, for the three and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, and $216,800 and $635,800, respectively, for the corresponding periods last year. Although these expenditures negatively impact current results, increased operating profits are anticipated in 1991 and future periods.

A third quarter net loss of $563,974 or $.08 per share compares to a net loss of $291,022 or $.04 per share last year. Year to date, a net loss of $394,780 or $.06 per share compares to a net loss of $370,251 or $.06 per share a year ago.

Third quarter operating cash flow (net loss plus the non-cash charges of depreciation and amortization) was negative $51,240 compared to $114,169 last year. Year to date, operating cash flow amounts to $1,014,035 or $.14 per share, compared to $825,133 or $.13 per share.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that Cheshire Financial Corporation of Keene, N.H., began trading 3,479,480 outstanding common shares today. As the largest financial institution in southwestern New Hampshire, Cheshire Financial is the multi-bank holding

company for Cheshire County Savings Bank, The Monadnock Bank and The Valley Bank, which operate in Cheshire and Hillsborough counties. The company previously traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CFNH.

Trading under ticker symbol CFX, the common stock opened on 100 shares at 6 7/8.

Cheshire Financial, with assets of $616 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, operates through its three state-chartered subsidiaries: Cheshire County Savings Bank operates in Cheshire County through its main office in Keene and seven branch offices; The Monadnock Bank operates in western Hillsborough County through its main office in Jaffrey and five branch offices; and The Valley Bank also operates in Hillsborough County through its main office in Hillsborough and one branch office.

Cheshire Financial's banking subsidiaries provide a range of banking services for individual customers, as well as professional, commercial and industrial businesses throughout southwestern New Hampshire.

Cheshire Financial reported an unaudited loss of $310,000, or a $.09 per share loss, on net interest income of $16,131,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30 1990, compared with net income of $3,472,000, or $.96 per share, on net interest income of $13,716,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

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ADDISON, ILL. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Hako Minuteman, Inc. (NASDAQ: HAKO) announced today that it has instituted a program to repurchase up to 100,000 of its common shares over a period of time in the open market. The company currently has 3,668,000 common shares outstanding.

Headquartered in Addison, Ill., Hako Minuteman, Inc. manufactures one of the most complete lines of commercial and industrial vacuums, floor and carpet care equipment and chemical cleaning and coating products in the United States and Canada.

The company's common shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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BILLERICA, MA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Optrotech, Ltd. (NASDAQ: OPTKF)

announced unaudited consolidated revenues and earnings for the third quarter (July-September) of 1990. The company's revenues for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 were $20,456,190 compared with $18,104,603 for the same period in 1989, an increase of 13 percent.

Unaudited revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $59,937,524 compared with $52,924,769 for the same period in 1989. Net income after tax for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $105,682 or 3 cents per share, compared with net income of $1,351,079 or 25 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

Net income in the nine-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990 was $1,030,878 or 19 cents per share, compared with net income of $3,333,393 or 63 cents per share for the same period last year.

To maintain its strong position in the market and to introduce new products to related market segments, the company continued increasing research and development expenditures during the third quarter, which were financed from its own resources, to $2,107,338 compared with $1,421,124 in the corresponding quarter of 1989, an increase of 48 percent.

Despite the stiff market conditions, the company reinforced its sales force in order to ensure its future market position. This resulted in a significant increase in S.G.&A. expenses in the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990 to $4,566,162 compared to $3,893,045 in the same period last year.

Optrotech's management believes that the quality of its products, their capability to provide CIM (Computerized Integrated Manufacturing) solutions for the production of printed circuit boards, the professional and aggressive marketing and high standard of service, will enable the company to maintain its strong position in the printed circuit board industry, diversify into related market segments and improve margins.

OPTROTECH LTD.

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$20,456,190	$18,104,603	$59,937,524	$52,924,769
Net income after taxes	105,682	1,351,079	1,030,878	3,333,393
Earnings per share	3 cents	25 cents	19 cents	63 cents
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	6,950,319	5,313,803	6,412,298	5,311,421

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Bresler & Reiner, Inc. (OTC) reported net income of $1,097,000, or 38 cents per share, on revenues of $10,394,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. In the 1989 third quarter, the company earned $1,545,000, or 55 cents per share, on revenues of $10,551,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $2,786,000, or 98 cents per share, on revenue of $31,248,000. In the 1989 period the company earned $4,294,000, or $1.52 per share on revenues of $30,193,000.

Charles S. Bresler, chairman of the board, said the company's home sales remained strong in 1990; however, the decrease in earnings in 1990 reflects a previously announced $800,000 ($.028 per share) net of income taxes, provision for possible loss on Washington Bancorporation commercial paper, decreased one time land sales at two of the company's joint ventures, and increased carrying costs associated with another joint venture. At Sept. 30, 1990, the company held over $8 million in cash and cash equivalents.

Bresler & Reiner, Inc. engages in residential land development and construction directly and through joint ventures; operates a motel, apartment projects and a shopping mall/office complex in the Washington metropolitan area. The company also owns two nursing homes and operates an equipment leasing business.

BRESLER & REINER, INC.
Financial Summary

	Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$31,248,000	$30,193,000
Costs of sales and expenses	26,869,000	23,505,000
Income before taxes	4,379,000	6,688,000
Provision for taxes	1,593,000	2,394,000
Net income	2,786,000	4,294,000
Earnings per share	0.98	1.52
Weighted average of shares outstanding	2,834,653	2,832,444

CONTACT: Philip Friedman, treasurer, Bresler & Reiner, Inc., 202-488-8800

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PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - NERCO Inc. (NYSE, Toronto: NER) today announced its Con gold mine in Yellowknife, Northwest Territories, Canada, has

exceeded 100,000 ounces of gold production for 1990 on Nov. 4, establishing a new single-mine annual gold production record for the natural resources company. NERCO also reported it has listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange today, trading under the symbol "NER."

NERCO Minerals Co. of Vancouver, Wash., operates the Con mine, which the company acquired in late 1986. The mine has been in operation for 52 years, and has produced more than 3 million ounces of gold over that time. Based on production, the Con mine is one of the 10 largest gold mines in Canada.

NERCO Minerals has invested more than $50 million since 1986 to modernize and expand the mining and milling rates of this large, undergound operation. The mill rate has been expanded by 25 percent to 1,000 tons per day, and is scheduled to reach 1,200 tons per day by early 1991. Cash production costs have been reduced 25 percent at the mine since 1987, and are now below the North American median for gold producers.

According to NERCO President Lawrence E. Heiner, "Reaching 100,000 ounces of production at the Con mine, while continuing to reduce operating costs at this mine, have been key objectives for our minerals business." The mine traditionally has produced approximately 75,000 to 80,000 ounces of gold per year and last year produced 95,000 ounces as modernization and expansion efforts began taking effect. At the mine's current production rate, the mine should produce approximately 115,000 ounces in 1990 and set a new production record.

Separately, NERCO listed its stock today on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "NER." "Our objective is to provide shareholders in Canada with the opportunity to invest in a premier North American natural resource company with considerable interests in Canada, as well as in the United States," Heiner noted.

NERCO is one of the leading North American producers of coal, oil and natural gas, and gold and silver. NERCO is among the 10 leading U.S. producers of coal and silver, is one of Canada's 10-largest gold producers, and is among the top 40 independent oil and gas companies in the United States.

Approximately 82 percent of NERCO's common stock is indirectly held by PacifiCorp (NYSE: PPW), a diversified electric utility also based in Portland, Ore.

CONTACT: Robert S. Hess, 503-731-6678, or John C. Cummings, 503-731-6649, or Richard T. O'Brien, 503-731-6732, all of NERCO Inc.

-30- 2807

#90318p6799 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc.,

today announced combined domestic Corolla and Camry sales of 6,028 (2,906 Corollas and 3,122 Camrys) for the first 10 days of November, compared to last year's figure of 5,599 (2,236 Corollas and 3,363 Camrys).

Toyota's calendar year-to-date domestic sales total 303,309 versus 173,611 sold a year ago.

CONTACT: Mindy Geller or Christi Abe of Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc., 213-618-5204 or 213-618-5297

-30- 658

#90318p6801 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORFOLK, VA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - BSI Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: BKRS) announced today that its Board of Directors has authorized the purchase of up to eight percent (8 percent) of the Company's common stock in the open market. The Company currently has 883,397 shares of common stock outstanding.

Roger S. West, III, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "BSI's stock repurchase is a sound financial investment for two reasons: (1) the Company has returned to profitability after it's entry into automobile financing and (2) the Company's common stock was recently selling at fifty percent (50 percent) of it's book value."

Shares of common stock repurchased under the program will be held in the Company treasury and will be available for use in connection with business acquisitions and other general corporate purposes.

BSI Holdings, Inc. is a publicly owned specialty finance concern providing automobile floor planning finance to independent automobile dealers in the Mid Atlantic region.

CONTACT: Roger S. West, III, BSI Holdings, Inc., 804-455-5001.

-30- 1253

#90318p6811 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwestern Bell Telephone's (SWBT) 1991-92 White Pages directories will offer customers a new -- and welcome -- feature: ZIP codes.

Next year, 311 of SWBT's 366 directories in its five-state region will have ZIP codes. The remaining 55 phone books will add ZIP codes in 1992.

The directories will include residence and business customers' five-digit ZIP codes along with phone numbers and street addresses.

SWBT is among the first Bell operating companies to include ZIP codes in its

White Pages books.

"We're adding ZIP codes to make the directories more valuable to our customers and to make their lives easier," said David Osborn, division manager-directory products and services. "The ZIP codes give customers fewer directories to go through when addressing envelopes and another reason to refer to our White Pages for fast, reliable information."

The decision to include ZIP codes in all directories came after a successful trial last year in Lawton, Okla., and Lubbock, Waco and Wichita Falls, Texas.

Customer reaction in those cities was heavily in favor of the ZIP codes, Osborn said.

"In these test cities, customers were very, very pleased," he said. "One customer said she planned to use the phone book to make out her Christmas card list."

Southwestern Bell Telephone is a wholly owned subsidiary of Southwestern Bell Corporation and provides telecommunications service to nearly nine million customers in Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

CONTACT: Sherry Smith of Southwestern Bell Telephone, 314-247-6771.

-30- 1782

#90318p6813 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Atmos Energy Corporation (NYSE: ATO) today reported that net income increased to $9.0 million, or $1.47 per share, on record operating revenues of $352.0 million for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30 1990. This compares with net income of $8.1 million, or $1.33 per share, on operating revenues of $342.4 million for the previous year.

The $9.0 million in net income is the company's second highest in its seven years as an independent company, despite a warm winter. The company reported record volumes of gas sold and transported with 119 billion cubic feet (Bcf), a slight increase from last year.

The company attributed the improved results for the year to strong sales to agricultural and industrial customers during the summer months, and extreme cold in December 1989. Weather conditions during the first quarter were 13.4 percent colder than normal, resulting in record revenues. However, for the rest of the heating season, weather was 21.2 percent warmer than normal, reducing sales volumes in the second quarter. Unusually hot, dry weather in West Texas during the summer months caused a surge in demand from farmers who use the gas to pump water to irrigate their crops.

Net income for the fourth quarter, which is typically unprofitable because of

the seasonal nature of gas heating sales, was a loss of $2.0 million, or $.33 per share, on operating revenues of $55.8 million. That compares with a loss of $2.4 million, or $.39 per share, on operating revenues of $57.6 million in the same quarter a year ago.

Atmos Chairman Charles Vaughan stated, "Our agricultural market in West Texas makes us unique among gas utilities, and provides us with an important source of revenues during the summer months. The increased sales to the agricultural market that uses gas to pump water to irrigate crops and success in managing expenses provided an offset to the lack of winter heating sales. These were the prime contributors to the improved results for the year."

Atmos Energy Corporation provides natural gas service to more than one-half million customers in Texas, Louisiana, and Kentucky through its operating companies - Energas Company, Trans Louisiana Gas Company and Western Kentucky Gas Company.

CONTACT: Margaret Watson, media, 214-450-4050, or Jack Eversull, investor, 214-788-3729, both of Atmos Energy

-30- 2556

#90318p6814 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Mizlou Communications Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: MZLUL, MZLU) today announced that Volkswagen, Subaru and Nordica have signed agreements to advertise on Mizlou's Sports News Network (SNN). Subaru and Nordica will be sponsoring the skiing news on SNN. The total number of sponsors on SNN now exceeds 40.

Paul Green, senior vice president of advertising sales for SNN, commented, "Volkswagen and Subaru have now become the seventh and eighth automotive nameplates to advertise on SNN in less than a year. The automakers like SNN because of the hourly exclusivity we offer."

The company's Mizlou Sports News Network (SNN), is the nation's first and only 24-hour, seven-day-a-week sports cable news network. On the air since Feb. 1, 1990, Mizlou has signed affiliation agreements in 15 of the top 20 major television markets.

CONTACT: Paul Green, senior vice president-sales of Mizlou, 212-244-3750, or Alex Ross or Susan Sherman of Cameron Associates, 212- 683-4545, for Mizlou

-30- 1200

#90318p6819 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CT (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Linde Division of Union Carbide Industrial Gases Inc.(NYSE: UK), today announced that it is increasing its demand base and standard price schedules for bulk oxygen, nitrogen, and argon,

effective Nov. 15, 1990.

Despite ongoing efforts to control recent substantial cost increases through cost reduction projects, technology gains and restructuring, the price increases are necessary in order to achieve adequate returns on investment.

Product prices for large volume oxygen, nitrogen, and argon customers under Linde's demand schedule, which consists of a monthly demand charge plus a product price, will be 34 cents per hundred cubic feet, 31 cents per hundred cubic feet, and $2.45 per hundred cubic feet, respectively.

Prices for large volume customers under the standard price schedule will be increased to 66 cents per hundred cubic feet for oxygen, 58 cents per hundred cubic feet for nitrogen, and $3.68 per hundred cubic feet for argon. In addition, discounts on the monthly charge for installed tanks and equipment will be reduced or eliminated.

Linde is also increasing hydrogen prices through the reduction or elimination of discounts from its existing standard and demand price schedules. Increases seen by individual customers for oxygen, nitrogen, argon, and hydrogen will vary, depending upon the relationship of their current contract and prices relative to Linde's new price schedules.

CONTACT: J.D. Secor of Union Carbide Industrial Gases, (203) 794-5548.

-30- 1724

#90318p6820 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

FT. WORTH, TX (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Residential Mortgage Investments Inc. (AMEX: RMI) today announced second quarter earnings of $137,346 or 33 cents per common share. This compares to a loss of $76,244 or 18 cents per common share for the same quarter in 1989. The company has used its positive cash flow to retire $1,800,000 in short-term debt since Dec. 31, 1989.

The board of directors of RMI plans to announce and pay an annual dividend in December of this year. Earnings through the third quarter were approximately 13 cents per share, and RMI has a ten cents per share loss carryforward for income tax purposes from 1989.

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE INVESTMENTS INC. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	For the Quarter Ended Sept. 30,		For the Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$9,652,338	$10,508,496	$29,664,693	$33,009,498
Interest Expense	9,405,241	10,525,498	28,751,162	33,238,235
Operating Expenses	109,751	59,242	365,207	364,731

Net Income/ (Loss)	137,346	(76,244)	548,324	(593,468)
Earnings/(Loss) Per Share	0.033	(0.018)	0.130	(0.141)
Dividend Per Share	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Outstanding Shares	4,220,000	4,220,000	4,220,000	4,220,000

CONTACT: Ben Dempsey, Donna Dempsey, David Key, or Gerald Hartman of Residential Mortgage Investments Inc., (817) 390-2055.

-30- 1807

#90318p6822 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - International Mobile Machines Corp. (NASDAQ: IMMCC) announced today its unaudited consolidated results of operations for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Periods ended	Third quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$3,582,990	$1,358,021	$10,287,006	$2,633,279
Net loss	(2,978,969)	(3,887,297)	(8,451,353)	(14,285,154)
Net loss/share	($.17)	($.27)	($.52)	($1.02)

The company's improved performance in the third quarter and year-to-date vs. 1989 is due largely to increased sales and reduced operating costs.

Ultraphone sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $2,399,830 compared to $993,371 in the third quarter of 1989. This represents an increase rate of more than 140 percent. The annualized growth rate over 1989 is almost 400 percent.

In addition, the company recognized revenue of $1,183,160 in the third quarter of 1990 for certain digital cellular telephony efforts for which there was none in the third quarter of 1989.

CONTACT: John A. Goetz, vp of IMM, 215-278-7800.

-30- 1343

#90318p6823 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Telesphere Communications Inc. (AMEX: TSP) announced today earnings of $809,000 in the third quarter, an 18 percent increase over the amount earned the previous quarter. The company earned $1.3 million in the third quarter of 1989. Income was equal to $.04 per share on primary weighted average shares of 28,560,411.

Revenues in the third quarter were $68 million, a 9 percent increase over the second quarter and 27 percent ahead of last year's third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had net income of $2.8 million, versus a loss of $1.2 million last year, on revenues of $196.4 million. Net income was equal to $.14 per share on primary weighted average shares of 28,744,421, and $.11 on fully diluted weighted average shares of 51,002,478.

"Because the third quarter was a time when the company was building for future growth, we are particularly pleased to report the increase in net income," said Harry Thompson, chairman. "During the last several months our network has been upgraded and we have successfully initiated the integration of National Telephone Services. Because of the rapid consolidation of NTS, cost savings are already being felt and we expect substantial benefits next year."

Thompson noted that during the quarter, Telesphere successfully negotiated a financing agreement with Chase Manhattan Bank, Citibank and Bell Atlantic, which allowed it to complete the NTS acquisition and sustain future growth.

Telesphere expects revenues of about $100 million in the fourth quarter and $300 million for 1990, compared with $60 million in last year's fourth quarter and $192 million for all of 1989. The company said that fourth quarter profitability will be affected by decisions it may make on non-recurring adjustments related to the NTS acquisition.

Telesphere Communications Inc. operates a nationwide, state-of-the- art digital fiber optic network over which it provides long distance, operator, interactive 900 and other enhanced telecommunications services. The company's common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol TSP.

CONTACT: Paul E. Davies of Telesphere Communications, 708-954-7700, or David Santos of Howard J. Rubenstein Associates, 212-489-6900, for Telesphere.

-30- 2507

#90318p6826 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PONTIAC, MI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Strong performances by its LeMans, Sunbird and Trans Sport models helped Pontiac Division increase sales by 3 percent in the first 10 days of November, versus the comparable period in 1989.

Overall, the General Motors division sold 13,438 vehicles during the Nov. 1 through 10 period, compared with 13,058 in the same period last year.

Leading the way were the Trans Sport minivan with a 60-percent sales improvement, followed by LeMans and Sunbird, which recorded increases of 20 and 17 percent, respectively. The 6000 and Grand Prix models also reported sales gains of more than 9 percent.

For the 1990 model year, Pontiac is running 9 percent ahead of the pace set in 1989. More specifically, the following Pontiacs have posted model year sales increases: Trans Sport, 131 percent; LeMans, 39 percent; Sunbird, 38 percent; Grand Prix, 31 percent; and Bonneville, 2 percent.

CONTACT: Reg Harris of Pontiac Division, 313-857-1572

-30- 1162

#90318p6830 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FL (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Pro-Med Capital, Inc. (AMEX: PMC) an American Stock Exchange Company based in North Miami, reported net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $715,427 vs. $453,071 for the same period for last year, an increase of 57.9 percent. Per share income for the same period of time was 13.5 cents vs. 9.8 cents, an increase in per share earnings of 37.8 percent.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $1,934,077 vs. $1,296,263 for the same period last year, an increase of 49.2 percent. Per share income for the same period was 38.8 cents vs. 29.4 cents, an increase of 32 percent. Revenues for the nine months of 1990 were $4,348,053 vs. $2,856,526 for the same period of last year, an increase of 52.2 percent.

PRO-MED CAPITAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

	Three Months ended Sept. 30,		
	1990	1989	Percent Increase
Net Income	$715,427	$453,071	57.9
Per Share	13.5 cents	9.8 cents	37.8
Revenues	$1,569,697	$1,011,594	55.2
Weighted Average Shares	5,132,947	4,460,427	15.1

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,		
	1990	1989	Percent Increase
Net Income	$1,934,077	$1,296,263	49.2
Per Share	38.8 cents	29.4 cents	32.0
Revenues	$4,348,053	$2,856,526	52.2
Weighted Average Shares	4,810,164	4,294,588	12.0

CONTACT: Fred Rosemore of Pro-Med Capital, Inc., 305-933-5858

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#90318p6833 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Wetterau

Incorporated (NASDAQ: WETT) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 16 cents per common share, payable Dec. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record Nov. 28, 1990.

Wetterau Incorporated is a $5.3 billion diversified food distribution company serving retailers in 29 states.

CONTACT: Dick N. Dalton, 314-595-4757, or Ronald S. Humiston, (314) 595-1750, both of Wetterau.

-30- 622

#90318p6834 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURLINGTON, NC (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: EDITD) announced today reduced operating losses for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The Company's operating loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $546,958 a reduction of 29 percent as compared to the operating loss of $771,723 incurred during the same period in 1989. The Company's net loss for the quarter, after a $167,804 write down of the value of stock held for investment was $714,762, or a loss of $.02 per share, compared to a net loss of $544,064 which included a gain on sale of stock of $227,659, or a loss of $.02 per share in the same quarter of the prior year. Revenues for the quarter were $554,996, a decline of 19 percent from the $688,302 reported in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the operating loss was $1,372,836, a reduction of 48 percent from the operating loss of $2,621,867 reported for the same period in 1989. The net loss was $1,250,830, or a loss of $.03 per share, also reduced from the net loss $1,912,770, or a loss of $.05 per share, for the same nine month period in 1989. Revenues for the nine month period in 1990 were $1,903,675, a decline of 19 percent from revenues of $2,342,706 for the same period in 1989.

Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. develops and manufactures human clinical, drugs of abuse and agricultural diagnostics specifically designed for on-site testing by non-technical personnel. The Company's Conventional Biodiagnostic Products are used by government agencies, researchers, clinical testing laboratories and other companies for clinical and veterinary testing. The Company's EZ-SCREEN products provide the accuracy of laboratory results in minutes.

CONTACT: Peter Heath, Controller, Environmental Diagnostics, Inc., 919-226-6311

-30- 2046

#90318p6835 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
MASSILLON, OH (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Republic Engineered Steels, Inc. today reported results for its first fiscal quarter, ending Sept. 30, 1990. For the period, the company had operating income before OPEB expense of $6,904,000.00. Sales revenue for the period amounted to $165,744,000.00, on trade shipments of 241,072 tons. After adjustments and charges were made for an ESOP contribution of $3.8 million, post-retirement benefit expense of $2.3 million, as well as interest items and taxes, the company reported a net loss of $5,034,000.00.

Republic Engineered Steels, Inc., an employee-owned company, is the leading domestic producer of high-quality bar and specialty steels designed to meet the world's most demanding applications.

Headquartered in Massillon, Ohio, Republic has plants in Canton and Massillon, Ohio; Beaver Falls, Pa.; Gary Ind., Willimantic, Conn.; and Chicago.

CONTACT: John A. Willoughby of Republic Engineered Steels, Inc., 216-837-6237

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#90318p6840 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Kerr-McGee Corp. (NYSE: KMG) today declared a quarterly dividend of 36 cents per share of common stock for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990.

The dividend will be payable Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record as of Dec. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: Sigrid A. Bowman of Kerr-McGee Corp., 405-270-3992

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#90318p6841 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Health Images Inc. (NASDAQ: HIMG) has opened its first magnetic resonance imaging center located outside the United States.

Guildford Magnetic Imaging may be the first magnetic resonance imaging center located in the United Kingdom to be owned by a U.S. company. The center is also the first project of its kind to be constructed on land leased by the National Health Service of the United Kingdom to a private U.S. company.

Robert D. Carl III, president and chairman of Health Images, stated: "Guildford Magnetic Imaging represents an important step in the evolution of Health Images. We are now the leading international provider of fixed site magnetic resonance imaging clinical services."

Guildford Magnetic Imaging is a full-service magnetic resonance imaging center

which is adjacent to the campus of the Royal Surrey County Hospital in Guildford, Surrey, England.

Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) is a revolutionary medical imaging technology that has increasingly replaced more traditional methods of imaging including myelography, arthrography and "CAT" scans. MRI uses radiofrequency energy, magnetic field manipulations and sophisticated computers to produce vivid images of the body in multiple planes. It is a painless procedure which does not involve surgery or potentially harmful ionizing radiation. Physicians use MRI to diagnose and evaluate a variety of medical problems including brain, spinal column, knee and hip conditions. MRI is also particularly effective in detecting tumors, multiple sclerosis and other neurological and musculoskeletal disorders.

The Guildford center was made possible by an agreement between the Secretary of State for Health, the Southwest Surrey Health Authority, Health Images (U.K.) plc and Health Images Inc.

Health Images (U.K.) plc is a wholly owned subsidiary of Health Images Inc. Health Images Inc. is a publicly held corporation which owns and operates 24 MRI centers and one radiation oncology center in the United States.

CONTACT: Robert D. Carl III, president and chairman, or Laura J. Werner of Health Images, 404-587-5084

-30- 2332

#90318p6846 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Johnson Controls, Inc. (NYSE: JCI) today increased the quarterly cash dividend to $0.31 per share from $0.30 per share.

James H. Keyes, president and chief executive officer, said the action was based on the positive outlook for the company in fiscal 1991. The step also made 1991 the 16th consecutive year that Johnson Controls has increased the dividend paid to shareholders.

The dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record Dec. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: Denise M. Zutz of Johnson Controls, Inc., 414-228-3155

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#90318p6849 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE -Ivax Corporation (AMEX: IVX) today announced its results of operations for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The results of operations are as follows:

IVAX CORPORATION

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Sales	$44,820,000	$47,139,000
Net loss	$(6,668,000)	$(5,293,000)
Net loss per share	$ (.38)	$ (.31)
Average shares outstanding	17,501,000	17,251,000
	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Sales	$13,556,000	$14,818,000
Net loss	$(3,718,000)	$(2,514,000)
Net loss per share	$ (.21)	$ (.14)
Average shares outstanding	17,608,000	17,342,000

The loss for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was principally attributable to an increase in both marketing and merger expenses. The increase in marketing expenses was associated with the launch of Doral(R) (quazepam) tablets, a new sedative/hypnotic, marketed by Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals, Inc. These expenses include those related to the establishment of a sales and distribution network for this product. In November 1990, Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals granted to Carter-Wallace, Inc. an exclusive license to market Doral(R) in the United States. As a result of this license, Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals has no present plans to incur additional material marketing costs regarding Doral(R).

The increase in merger expenses was the result of Ivax's recently announced agreement to acquire all of the outstanding shares of Harris Pharmaceuticals Limited in exchange for 6,250,000 shares of Ivax common stock. The results announced for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 do not include the operations of Harris Pharmaceuticals Limited since the transaction is subject to the approval of Ivax's shareholders and the registration of the shares issued by Ivax with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. Harris Pharmaceuticals, with facilities in London, England, and Waterford, Ireland, is a leading manufacturer and marketer of generic pharmaceutical products in the United Kingdom, Ireland and other countries.

IVAX Corporation is a holding company consisting of three operating groups: IVAX Industries, Inc., a chemical specialties business; Diamedix Corporation, a medical diagnostics company; and the pharmaceuticals group which includes: Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a pharmaceuticals company; Baker Cummins Dermatologicals, Inc., a dermatological products company owned 50 percent by Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals and 50 percent by Union Carbide Corporation; and Best Generics, Inc., a national distributor of generic pharmaceuticals.

CONTACT: F.E. Baxter, senior vice president-finance and chief financial officer of IVAX Corporation, 305-590-2318

-30- 3298

#90318p6850 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ivax Corporation (AMEX: IVX) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals, Inc. has granted to Carter-Wallace, Inc. an exclusive license in the United States to Doral(R), a prescription sedative. Carter-Wallace has paid Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals an up-front fee and will pay royalties based upon the sale of Doral(R).

The Wallace Laboratories division of Carter-Wallace had been promoting Doral(R) on behalf of Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals pursuant to a Co-Promotion Agreement between Carter-Wallace and Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals. This agreement was terminated simultaneously with the grant of license rights by Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals. Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals has retained its international rights to the product and is presently involved in negotiations regarding foreign distribution rights. Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals granted a license of rights in Canada to Deprenyl Research Limited in May 1990.

Dr. Frost, the chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Ivax Corporation, stated, "We believe that this arrangement with Carter-Wallace is in the best interest of both Carter-Wallace and Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals. Doral(R) is a product whose sales will benefit considerably from the resources that Wallace Laboratories is commited to dedicate to the project. Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals will be able to focus its marketing efforts on its other products which can be better promoted through a smaller more focused marketing organization."

IVAX Corporation is a holding company consisting of three operating divisions: IVAX Industries, Inc., a medical specialties business; Diamedix Corporation, a medical diagnostics company; and the pharmaceuticals group which includes Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a pharmaceuticals company; Baker Cummins Dermatologicals, Inc., a dermatological products company owned 50 percent by Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals and 50 percent by Union Carbide Corporation; and Best Generics, Inc., a national distributor of generic pharmaceuticals.

CONTACT: Phillip Frost, M.D., chairman of the board and chief executive officer of IVAX Corporation, 305-590-2206

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#90318p6851 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Foote, Cone & Belding Communications, Inc. (NYSE: FCB) today voted a quarterly dividend of $.30 per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 17, 1990.

CONTACT: Joan Lufrano of FCB, 312-751-7000

-30- 471
#90318p6852 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
WAKEFIELD, MASS. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - DAKA International Inc. (NASDAQ: DKAI) (the company) today reported net income of $245,000 or 1 cent per share on revenues of $40.2 million for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990 compared to net income of $823,000 or 2 cents per share on revenues of $40.5 million for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The company, through its DAKA Inc. subsidiary operates and manages approximately 500 contract food service facilities and owns, operates, and manages six hotels. The company, through its Fuddruckers Inc. subsidiary, owns and operates, franchises and manages Fuddruckers restaurants throughout the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Turkey, and South America. There are currently 129 Fuddruckers restaurants in operation.

The company is publicly traded in the over the counter market and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol DKAI.

CONTACT: William H. Baumhauer of DAKA International Inc., 617-246-2525

-30- 1165
#90318p6855 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
HADERA, ISRAEL (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - American Israeli Paper Mills Ltd. (AMEX: AIP) today reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Consolidated sales for the three month period were up 16 percent to $68.4 million (NIS 140.6 million), compared with sales of $59.0 million (NIS 121.3 million) in the third quarter of 1989.

Net earnings for the three month period reached $3.0 million (NIS 6.3 million) double last year's third quarter earnings of $1.5 million (NIS 3.1 million).

Consolidated sales for the nine months rose by 8.8 percent to $192.3 million (NIS 395.5 million), compared with $176.7 million (NIS 363.4 million) in the corresponding period last year.

Net earnings for the first nine months of 1990 rose by 120 percent to $7.5 million (NIS 15.4 million), compared with $3.4 million (NIS 6.9 million) for the first nine months of 1989.

Net earnings per share for the nine months amounted to $1.96 (NIS 4.04), compared with $0.88 (NIS 1.82) per share in the same period a year ago.

The significant improvement in profitability during the first nine month of 1990 resulted from an upswing in sales. Also reflected were a decrease of pulp prices, mainly in the third quarter, and a considerable drop in production costs including lower consumption of water and energy.

Furthermore, the company's successful ongoing reorganization program has expanded activities, increased output per machine, lowered work hours per ton, and reduced the percentage of broke.

Operating profit for the first nine months of 1990 rose by 83 percent, and amounted to $12.6 million (NIS 24.6 million), compared with operating profit of $6.9 million (NIS 14.2 million) for the same period last year.

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for American Israeli Paper Mills

-30- 2056

#90318p6856 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CONCORD, N.H. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthsource, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLTH), a leading operator of managed health care businesses, today reported a 34.0 percent increase in total revenues and a 53.7 percent increase in net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Total revenues for the third quarter reached $16 million, compared with $12 million for the third quarter a year ago. Net income for the current quarter totaled $2.1 million vs. $1.4 million recorded in last year's comparable quarter. Earnings per share on a fully diluted basis amounted to 34 cents compared to 31 cents for 1989's third period.

For the first nine months of 1990, total revenues were $44.2 million vs. $34.8 million for the comparable period of 1989. Net income totaled $5.8 million, or 96 cents on a fully diluted per share basis for the first nine months of 1990, as compared to $4 million, or 84 cents on a fully diluted per share basis, for the first nine months of 1989. Results for 1989 included the benefit of a tax loss carryforward of $300,000.

The growth in fully diluted earnings per share was less than the increase in net income because of a 34 percent increase in weighted average shares outstanding primarily due to the company's initial public offering in November 1989.

"By concentrating our efforts in secondary markets with physician partners, we have continued to make strong earnings gains," said Norman C. Payson, M.D., Healthsource president and chief executive officer.

Healthsource is in the managed care business through its owned and managed HMOs in New Hampshire, Maine, New York, South Carolina and North Carolina.

In addition, Healthsource provides managed care and administrative services directly to other health care payors in New England including Vermont Blue Cross and appoximately 140 self-funded employers through Employee Benefit Plan Administration, Inc.

CONTACT: Thomas Congoran, or Tracey Turner, both of Healthsource, Inc. 603-225-5077; or Kerry Thalheim, 212-661-8030 or Kathy Waller, 312-266-7800, both of Financial Relations Board, Inc. for Healthsource, Inc.

-30- 2299

#90318p6858 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALL, N.J. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - New Jersey Natural Gas Company (NJNG) today applauded the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC's) decision to approve the construction of a 370-mile underground natural gas pipeline from Canada to the U.S. Northeast. NJNG is the principal subsidiary of New Jersey Resources Corporation (NYSE: NJR).

The approval of the Iroquois Gas Transmission System application, which culminated more than four years of review by the FERC, clears the way for NJNG to receive the largest year-round addition to its natural gas supply portfolio in at least 20 years.

Members of the Iroquois partnership building the pipeline include NJNR Pipeline Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of NJR Energy Corporation, another New Jersey Resources Corporation subsidiary.

The Iroquois pipeline will transport 576 million cubic feet of natural gas per day from Canada to utilities and power generators in New Jersey, New York and New England. NJNG will receive 40 million cubic feet of gas per day, about 17 percent of its total firm supply.

FERC's ruling assures that pipeline construction can begin in early 1991. Gas is scheduled to begin flowing through the Iroquois pipeline in November 1991. No new construction is planned in New Jersey; instead, gas will be backfed through existing pipeline routes.

"The FERC decision to approve Iroquois is a major step forward in helping New Jersey and the rest of the Northeast meet current and future gas supply needs and reduce their dependence on foreign oil from the turmoil-plagued Middle East," said Philip H. Reardon, NJNG president and chief executive officer. "And, just as important, Iroquois adds much- needed pipeline capacity to deliver this gas into the region."

Reardon said the Iroquois project is also consistent with NJNG's long-term supply diversification strategy.

NJNG serves more than 306,000 customers in virtually all of Monmouth and Ocean

counties and parts of Morris and Middlesex counties.

CONTACT: Glenn J. Phillips, 201-938-1112, or David M. Klucsik, 201-938-1114, both of New Jersey Natural Gas

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#90318p6859 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

YORK, PA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Emons Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: EMHO) today announced a net loss of $372,785 for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to net earnings of $93,400 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, both before preferred dividend requirements. After preferred dividend requirements, the company recorded a loss applicable to common stock of $440,300, or $.09 per common share, as compared to earnings applicable to common stock of $90,440, or $.02 per common share, in the prior year's first fiscal quarter. Revenues declined to $3.1 million for fiscal 1991 first quarter from $3.3 million for the fiscal 1990 first quarter.

Robert Grossman, chairman and president, attributed the loss for the current quarter primarily to an operating loss from the company's railroad subsidiary in New England, lower than expected results from another railroad subsidiary and lower revenues from the company's Transportation Equipment Services Group. The results from the company's railroad in New England were down primarily because of weak economic conditions affecting the paper and construction industries and higher equipment and track maintenance expenses. Railcar management and marketing revenues were lower, due to the expiration of several older management and marketing agreements.

Grossman added that although economic conditions are expected to remain poor in the near-term, he expects results to show improvement for the remaining quarters of fiscal 1991 due to results from aggressive marketing activities, cost reductions, and rate negotiations on one of the company's railroads. Among its business development activities, the company is aggressively marketing its steel and lumber transload facility in York and is in the process of constructing a bulk commodities rail/truck transfer facility also in York, which is expected to commence operation by January 1991. Grossman pointed out, however, that fiscal 1991 is still expected to be a difficult and challenging year because of the economic climate.

Emons Holdings is a transportation services company headquartered in York, that has three primary business groups: the Transportation Equipment Services Group which manages, leases, brokers and repairs transportation equipment, the Railroad Group which operates short line railroads and the Logistic Services Group which assists companies with their distribution needs.

Emons Holdings' shares of common stock and convertible preferred stock are traded in the over-the-counter securities market and the common shares are listed on NASDAQ.

EMONS HOLDINGS, INC.
(Unaudited)

Three months ended Sept. 30;	1990	1989
Revenues	$3,147,683	$3,282,731
Net earnings (loss)	(372,785)	93,400
Preferred dividend requirements	67,515	2,960
Earnings (loss) applicable to common stock	(440,300)	90,440
Average common shares & common share equivalents outstanding	5,018,265(A)	5,554,781
Earnings (loss) per common share and common share equivalents	$(.09)(A)	$.02

(A) -- Does not include common share equivalents since they are anti-dilutive.

CONTACT: Robert Grossman of Emons Holdings, 717-771-1700

-30- 3548

#90318p6860 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Transcontinental Realty Investors, Inc. (NYSE: TCI) today announced operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company recorded a net loss of $5.7 million, or $1.78 per share, on revenues of $6.9 million, compared with a net loss of $793,000, or 25 cents per share, on revenues of $7.6 million in the third quarter of the prior year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company recorded a net loss of $7.8 million, or $2.43 per share, on revenues of $20.4 million, compared with net income of $703,000, or 23 cents per share, on revenues of $23.9 million in the first nine months of 1989.

Transcontinental recorded a provision for losses of $4.8 million in the first nine months of 1990 in connection with the foreclosure of a mortgage loan, the anticipated foreclosure of a mortgage loan secured by an apartment complex and a loss reserve on a first mortgage lien secured by two commercial buildings. The company's provision for losses for the first nine months of 1989 was $476,000.

During 1990's third quarter, the company acquired a 45 percent general partner's interest in a joint venture. As previously announced, this partnership purchased, for $2.7 million, a 55-unit apartment complex in Dallas with money loaned by Transcontinental. Also during the third quarter the company initiated an odd-lot repurchase program. The program expired on Oct. 31, at which time the company had acquired approximately 150,000 shares.

Transcontinental Realty Investors Inc. is a combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trust which operates nationwide.

CONTACT: Jean Krone Bono of Investor Relations, 214-692-4800

-30- 1954

#90318p6861 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - PharmaKinetics Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PKLB) today announced that the company intends to file for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

The filing will be made in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maryland and is expected to be filed on Thursday, Nov. 15.

V. Brewster Jones, president and chief executive officer of PharmaKinetics, announced that the company intends to continue operations under the protection of the Bankruptcy Court while it develops a plan of reorganization. He commented: "This step is being taken to ensure, as best possible, the conduct of business as usual in regards to our clients."

PharmaKinetics Laboratories, Inc. is a leading drug development company providing services to pharmaceutical and biotechnology firms seeking new drug approvals in the United States and Europe.

CONTACT: V. Brewster Jones, president and CEO, PharmaKinetics Laboratories, 301-385-4500

-30- 1157

#90318p6862 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

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CONTACT: V. Brewster Jones, president and CEO, PharmaKinetics Laboratories, 301-385-4500

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#90318p6865 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINNAMINSON, N.J. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - DNA Plant Technology Corporation (NASDAQ: DNAP) today reported that for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, its total revenue was $3,237,000, compared to $3,319,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

For the third quarter, the company had a net loss of $2,788,000, or $.13 per share, compared to a net loss of $744,000, or $.04 per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, total revenue was $10,279,000, compared to $9,662,000 in the first nine months of 1989. The net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $5,826,000, or $.28 per share, compared to a net loss of $1,931,000, or $.09 per share, in the first nine months of 1989.

Commenting on the company's performance, Richard Laster, DNAP chairman and chief executive officer, said: "Results for the quarter and for the year to date continue to be in line with our expectations. Year-to-year changes in revenue reflect an increase in contract revenue and a reduction in interest income. Our joint ventures are beginning to generate product revenue and our investment to support the growth of these joint ventures is the primary reason for the year-to-year increase in net losses.

"Our FreshWorld joint ventures with Du Pont has commenced sales of specially grown, superior tasting carrot and celery sticks to McDonald's restaurants in Manhattan and in the Harrisburg, Pa. area, representing a total of 145 outlets of the fast food concern, compared to 9 a year ago. Expansion of sales into other markets is anticipated in the coming months.

"Oil from our 1990 canola harvest is now being evaluated by food processors and other potential customers. InterMountain Canola, our division which is developing improved canola varieties, is now gearing up for a significant expansion of production in the 1991 growing season, which will make us one of the largest canola producers in the U.S.

"Product sales of Agri-Diagnostics Associates' turf fungal disease detection kits increased approximately 50 percent from a year ago. Market trials of fungal disease detection kits to nursery growers have been completed and commercial sales are set to begin in 1991. Initial data from validation trials of detection kits for a major pesticide residue in ground water are very encouraging and introductory sales of the product for lab use could begin in 1991."

DNAP is a leading agricultural biotechnology company, applying a spectrum of technologies to develop and commercialize plant-based products, agricultural and environmental diagnostics, and ice crystal modification products and processes for industrial and consumer markets.

DNA PLANT TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations
(Unaudited, in thousands, except per share amounts)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue:				
Product development agreements	$2,581	$2,495	$8,188	$7,050
Interest	656	774	2,011	2,462
Royalty	0	50	80	150
Total revenue	3,237	3,319	10,279	9,662
Operating expenses:				
Research and product development	3,696	3,054	10,280	8,897
General and admin.	726	923	2,205	2,379
Total expenses	4,422	3,977	12,485	11,276
Loss before equity in loss of joint ventures	(1,185)	(658)	(2,206)	(1,614)
Equity in loss of joint ventures	(1,603)	(116)	(3,620)	(317)
Net loss	(2,788)	(774)	(5,826)	(1,931)
Net loss per common share	$(0.13)	$(0.04)	$(0.28)	$(0.09)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	20,842	20,676	20,787	20,670
Revenue of joint ventures (A)	406	319	1,222	1,042

(A) -- The revenues of the company's joint ventures shown here for information purposes include all of the VegiSnax(R) vegetables and Agri-Diagnostics Associates revenue to date and are not included in the company's total revenues.

CONTACT: Richard Sykes of DNA Plant Technology, 914-241-4959, or Fredric Spar of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for DNA Plant Technology

-30- 4689

#90318p6866 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALL, NJ (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of New Jersey Resources Corporation (NYSE: NJR) today declared a regular quarterly dividend

of 37 cents per share on common stock.

All dividends are payable Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record at the closed of business Dec. 15, 1990.

CONTACT: Laurence M. Downes, 201-938-1489, or Glenn J. Phillips, 201-938-1112 both of New Jersey Resources

-30- 578

#90318p6874 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TREVOSE, PENN. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Auto Depot Inc. (NASDAQ: AUTDU) announced today that for the period from Jan. 30, 1989, (date of incorporation) to Dec. 31, 1989, and for the period January 1990 to Sept. 30, 1990, the company had no revenues and incurred net losses of $30,000 and $842,125 respectively. Such net losses represent primarily expenditures incurred by the company for start up activities and the Initial Public Offering that was completed Sept. 17, 1990.

Auto Depot Inc. intends to sign two leases in Florida in the immediate future. The company plans to open its first warehouse stores in early 1991.

Auto Depot will offer a wide selection of quality, brand-name automotive merchandise at everyday low prices to retail and commercial customers. Auto Depot warehouse stores will average approximately in size 55,000 square feet and will carry an inventory of approximately 17,000 stock keeping units (items), including automotive accessories, batteries, maintenance and repair parts, sound systems, tires, and custom wheels. Each Auto Depot warehouse store will have a fully equipped automotive service center, staffed with certified technicians, for complete automotive service and installation.

CONTACT: Douglas MacLellan of American Business Ventures, (investors) 213-491-3500, for Auto Depot

-30- 1502

#90318p6875 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, OHIO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Roadway Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROAD) announced today that its board of directors authorized the purchase of up to $30 million of the company's common stock during 1991 for corporate requirements. The stock closed at $35.00 on Nov. 13 and as of the end of the third quarter (Sept. 8, 1990), the company had approximately 39,171,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

The board also declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.27-1/2 per share, payable Feb. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 15.

CONTACT: D.A. Wilson of Roadway Services, Inc., 216-384-8184

-30- 780

#90318p6876 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

YORK, PA. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Emons Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: EMHO) today announced that its board of directors at a meeting held today voted to omit the regular semiannual dividend of $.07 per share on its $.14 cumulative convertible preferred stock which would ordinarily be payable Jan. 2, 1991. The dividend is cumulative and, therefore, would have to be paid before any dividends on the company's common stock could be paid in the future.

Robert Grossman, chairman and president, stated that the board took this action because current economic conditions have had a negative effect on the company's financial results. Conservation of cash and its investment in revenue producing projects during these times is extremely important to the future of the company and all of its shareholders. The board will consider declaration of any dividend arrearages when business conditions and the company's results warrant such action.

Emons Holdings is a transportation services company headquartered in York that has three primary business groups: the Transportation Equipment Services Group which manages, leases, brokers and repairs transportation equipment, the Railroad Group which operates short line railroads and the Logistic Services Group which assists companies with their distribution needs.

Emons Holdings' shares of common stock and convertible preferred stock are traded in the over-the-counter securities market and the common shares are listed on NASDAQ.

CONTACT: Robert Grossman, chairman and president of Emons Holdings, 717-771-1700

-30- 1757

#90318p6878 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - American National Petroleum Co. (NASDAQ: ANPC) reported a net loss of $1,106,000 (16 cents per common share) for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to a net income of $196,000 (3 cents per common share) for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The net loss for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was due primarily to the recognition of $1,225,000 of expenses when the company agreed to settle a securities lawsuit which had been pending against the company since 1985. The plaintiffs are limited partners of three oil and gas limited partnerships for which the company had acted as one of two general partners. The settlement, which is subject to court approval, provides for the purchasers of the limited partnership interests to be certified as a class and for the company to pay $500,000 in cash to the class members.

The company will also form a new limited partnership and contribute to the new partnership proved developed and proved undeveloped oil and gas properties which an independent petroleum engineering firm has estimated to have future net revenues, discounted at 10 percent using escalated pricing, of $1,008,271.

The settlement will not be finalized until early 1991. The net loss for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was offset by: (a) a decrease in depletion cost; (b) a decrease in interest expense; and (c) an increase in crude oil prices, but these developments were partially offset by decreased sales of oil and lower gas prices.

Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 were $2,855,000 compared to $5,278,000 for the 1989 period. During the first quarter of 1990, the company changed to the equity method of accounting for its natural gas pipeline, which previously had been reported on a consolidated basis in the company's financial statements. The effects of the accounting change resulted in lower revenues and expenses being reported in the 1990 third quarter period as compared to 1989 when $2,222,000 of revenues were attributable to the pipeline. Revenues for oil and gas production in the third quarter of 1990 were $124,000 less than the third quarter of 1989.

American National Petroleum Co., a Houston, Texas based company, is engaged in the acquisition of oil and gas producing properties and other energy related transactions.

CONTACT: Mary Y. Cotner of American National Petroleum Co., 713-961-1770

-30- 2610

#90318p6879 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of USLIFE Income Fund Inc. (NYSE: UIF), a closed-end investment company, today declared a quarterly dividend of $.23 per share and an extra dividend of $.01 per share from net investment income. Both the quarterly and extra dividends, totaling $.24 per share, will be paid on December 3, 1990 to shareholders of record on November 26, 1990.

The company's investment portfolio is managed by USLIFE Advisers, Inc., a subsidiary of USLIFE Corporation (NYSE: USH).

CONTACT: John G. Kelly, vice president and secretary of USLIFE Income Fund, 212-709-6415

-30- 782

#90318p6880 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Construction of the Iroquois Gas Transmission System will bring substantial economic and environmental benefits

to Canada and North America, TransCanada PipeLines President and Chief Executive Officer Gerald J. Maier said today.

Maier applauded the unanimous decision of the United States Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to permit construction of the project, in which TransCanada holds a 29 percent interest.

''Natural gas demand is growing because gas is a competitively-priced, environmentally-benign, secure long-term source of energy, with wide application to electrical power, transportation, residential, commercial and industrial uses. The $1 billion per year in export sales generated by the Iroquois system will strengthen Canada's competitiveness, generate capital investments and stimulate much-needed economic growth,'' Maier said.

''Canadian gas exports to the U.S. Northeast began in the mid-Sixties, with significant increases throughout the Eighties. Growing demand for gas from our western basin will encourage exploration and development of new reserves. This activity supports service and supply jobs and manufacturing orders across the country. The gas discoveries made and produced will bestow greater security of energy supplies on Canada,'' Maier noted.

''The Iroquois system will displace 30 million barrels of foreign oil imports into the United States per year and reduce sulphur emissions into the air by 75,000 tons. Canadian natural gas has an important role to play in reaching North American clean-air objectives and mitigating cross-border acid rain.''

The U.S. $583 million pipeline will carry Western Canadian natural gas on a 575-km route from Iroquois Ontario to Long Island New York. The 575 million cubic feet per day of natural gas carried on the system will be distributed in New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire and New Jersey. It will provide natural gas for industrial and commercial uses, heat for some 1.5 million homes and electric power generation.

CONTACT: Frank Dabbs of TransCanada PipeLines Limited, 403-267-8525

-30- 2347

#90318p6882 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The appointment of Herbert B. Gordon as vice president and associate general counsel of Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association-College Retirement Equities Fund (TIAA-CREF) was announced today.

Gordon will have responsibility for relationships with state regulatory agencies and legislatures on behalf of the $85 billion TIAA-CREF retirement system, according to Charles H. Stamm, executive vice president and general counsel. The appointment is effective Dec. 17, 1990.

Gordon is currently vice chancellor of the State University of New York in

charge of public and governmental affairs for the 64-campus system.

TIAA-CREF, ranked as the world's largest retirement system, serves the pension needs of 1.4 million participants in 4,400 colleges, universities, independent schools and research organizations. TIAA also is a major life and disability insurer for the education community.

Gordon joined the SUNY system at its headquarters in Albany, N.Y., in 1964 as a land acquisition attorney. He became director of the program the following year and in 1972 was named assistant vice chancellor for capital finance and administration.

In 1975, Gordon was named vice chancellor for governmental relations and assigned responsibility for liaison with New York State Executive Office and State Legislature. He also represented SUNY with state and federal agencies and the New York Congressional delegation. In 1988, university relations, covering communications, alumni relations and development, was added to his responsibilities.

Gordon received his bachelor of arts degree from New York University and his LL.B and J.D. law degrees from Albany Law School, Union University.

CONTACT: Claire Sheahan of TIAA-CREF, 212-916-4666

-30- 1953

#90318p6886 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Bruce J. Klatsky, president and chief operating officer of Phillips-Van Heusen Corporation (NYSE: PVH), today named Allen Sirkin chairman of a powerful new marketing entity to be called The PVH Apparel Group. The mission of the PVH Apparel Group, which already includes the dominant shirt supplier to America, is now to become the dominant tops marketer.

The PVH Apparel Group will consist of four corporate divisions, Somerset Knitting Mills, The Van Heusen Company, Pickwick Private Label and The Designer Group which markets and manufactures Geoffrey Beene, Etienne Aigner and Cezani shirts. Somerset Knitting Mills is America's largest sweater operation.

Sirkin was previously president of both The Van Heusen Company and The Designer Group. Reporting to him in his new capacity are Michael Culang, president of Somerset Knitting Mills, and Robert Crocco, president of Pickwick.

Mark Weber, who is currently corporate vice president of marketing and product development for Phillips-Van Heusen Corporation, retains this title and reassumes the presidency of The Van Heusen Company.

Weber, who will now report to Sirkin, had been president of the Van Heusen branded shirt operation for three years fro 1985 to 1988.

Also reporting to Sirkin are Elliott Sisking, senior vice president, finance, and Art Heffner, executive vice president of operations. The president of The Designer Group will be announced shortly.

Klatsky stated that the position of chairman affords the corporation a unique marketing opportunity to embark on its next stage of growth in the wholesale apparel market. "Van Heusen," he said, "is currently the leading shirt manufacturer in the U.S. We are confident that in positioning the Somerset operation under Sirkin's proven leadership we will become the dominant 'tops' marketer as well."

Sirkin will report directly to Klatsky.

CONTACT: Bruce J. Klatsky, president and COO of Phillips-Van Heusen, 212-468-7200

-30- 2199

#90318p6891 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST PALM BEACH, FL (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - CV Reit, Inc. (NYSE: CVI), a real estate investment trust, today reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the third quarter, the company experienced a net loss of $551,000 or $.08 per share on revenues of $5,443,000 compared to net income of $2,360,000 or $.33 per share on revenues of $6,127,000 in the like quarter last year.

Nine-month net income was $3,130,000 or $.43 per share on revenues of $17,434,000 compared with net income of $7,594,000 or $1.05 per share on revenues of $18,621,000 in the fiscal 1989 period.

Per-share results were adjusted retroactively for the 5 percent stock dividend declared May 8, 1990.

Alvin Wilensky, president and chief executive officer, stated that "the 1990 earnings decline was primarily attributable to an approximate $2 million provision for losses recorded in the current year's third quarter and reduction in interest income resulting from an increase in non-accrual loans." At Sept. 30, 1990, there were $38.5 million of non- performing loans as compared to $30.5 million at the end of last year's third quarter.

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TULSA, OK. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - T/SF Communications Corp. (AMEX: TCM) today announced operating results for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990. The company stated that it lost $408,000, or 7 cents per share of common stock, on revenues of $23,598,000 for the third quarter of 1990. This compares to earnings of $260,000, or 5 cents per share, on revenues of $18,112,000 for the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, the company lost $844,000, or 15 cents per share, on revenues of $66,713,000, as compared to earnings of $366,000, or 11 cents per share pro forma, on revenues of $53,751,000, for the first nine months of 1989.

The primary reasons for the decline in earnings were the depreciation and amortization associated with Marks-Roiland communications, which became part of the company in January, 1990, and continued significant losses from the company's Shopper's Guide unit, particularly its commercial printing division. These losses were partially offset by improvements in the company's information, daily newspaper and trade publishing divisions and reduced interest costs because of debt repayments.

G. Douglas Fox, chairman and chief executive officer of T/SF Communications, stated, "The problems at Shopper's Guide, which began in the second half of last year, continued and were further hurt by the softening northeastern economy which is slowing its recovery. While economic conditions are likely to hamper any recovery in the last part of this year and well into 1991, we are continuing our efforts to streamline and improve the Shopper's Guide operations. Even with lower earnings, our operating cash flow (meaning earnings before depreciation, interest and taxes) was $1,675,000 for the third quarter and $5,297,000 for the first nine months. This compares to operating cash flow of $2,376,000 for the third quarter and $6,587,000 for the first nine months of 1989."

T/SF Communications is a diversified communications company owning a daily newspaper in Tulsa, Okla., several free distribution shopper-newspapers in New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania, five trade magazines, a specialty trade publishing company and an information services company.

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DENVER (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlas Corp. (NYSE: AZ) today reported a net loss of $688,000, or 12 cents per share, for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net income in the first quarter of last year of $607,000, or 10 cents per share. The 1989 quarter included $355,000 from discontinued operations and an extraordinary credit. The current quarter's results reflect a reduction in depreciation expense in the amount of $220,000, as a result of

an updated and revised estimate of the life of certain assets based on estimated ores to be processed through the company's Gold Bar Mill.

Total revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were $5,955,000, compared to revenues of $7,037,000 for the comparable quarter last year. Mining revenue was $5,489,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1991, compared to $6,891,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

The decrease in Atlas' mining revenue for the quarter resulted from a decrease in production and a lower average gold price realized. During the quarter 14,342 ounces of gold were produced, compared to the 16,286 ounces produced last year. The average gold price realized by Atlas during the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was $383 per ounce, compared to $423 per ounce in the comparable quarter of fiscal 1990.

Operations at the Gold Bar Mill during the quarter were adversely affected by start-up problems with the new refractory ore circuit. Higher processing costs for the refractory ore, lower than anticipated recovery rates as a result of the new circuit's less than satisfactory start-up and other transitional costs increased production costs to above planned levels. However, processing stockpiled refractory ores made it possible for Atlas to continue production until ore mined from the Gold Bar satellites could be delivered to the Mill. Oxide ores from the Goldstone deposit are now being delivered to the Gold Bar Mill, and the company expects to return to satisfactory levels of production and lower cash costs.

Atlas sold forward 6,000 ounces of gold per month for October through December 1990 at an average price of $382 per ounce. For January through June 1991, Atlas has sold forward 2,000 ounces of gold per month at an average price of $415 per ounce.

Permitting efforts at the Grassy Mountain project progressed during the quarter with the completion of the scoping process and the continuation of baseline data collection. Management is currently reviewing the option of developing an underground mine, or decline, that would accelerate access to a high grade ore zone. This zone contains 100,000 tons of ore with an average grade of 1.5 ounces of gold per ton. Using the decline would improve the already attractive overall economics of the Grassy Mountain project by increasing cash flows in the early years, therefore reducing the amount of financing required and shortening the payback period. Management is pleased with the results of the preliminary studies and expects to reach a decision regarding this option in the near future.

On Oct. 1, 1990, the Supreme Court refused to hear a joint petition for appeal of a federal court ruling regarding governmental cost sharing on the clean-up of uranium tailings generated by Atomic Energy Commission contracts. Atlas had participated in this effort with regard to its Moab, Utah, uranium site. The ruling, while disappointing, does not affect Atlas' planned reclamation or

associated costs. When the facility was closed in 1987, Atlas accrued $17.4 million for 100 percent of the shut-down and clean-up expenses based on a reclamation plan submitted to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. The Court's decision has no affect on the expected cost of the reclamation. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is expected to review Atlas' reclamation plans by mid-1991. While the legal options regarding this issue have been exhausted, the company is hoping for equitable treatment through pending legislation.

Atlas is a mining company whose primary business is gold exploration and production. The company has exploration efforts underway in several western states, with significant gold discoveries in Nevada and Oregon. The company currently has the capacity to produce approximately 80,000 ounces of gold per year from its Gold Bar Mill in Nevada and is planning to produce approximately 100,000 additional ounces of gold per year from its Grassy Mountain deposit, beginning by mid-1993.

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BOISE, IDAHO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Morrison Knudsen Corp. (MK) (NYSE: MRN) and Joy Technologies Inc., announced today that a joint venture of the two firms has been awarded an approximately $155-million (U.S.) contract to install a landmark flue-gas scrubbing system at an Ontario Hydro power plant.

MK and Joy will install two technologically advanced flue-gas scrubbing systems for two of four 500-megawatt coal-fired units at Ontario Hydro's Lambert Generating Station. Ontario Hydro is Canada's largest electric utlity company.

"We are pleased to be part of the MK-Joy team, utilizing state-of-the-art technology and construction techniques for this project," said William J. Agee chairman and chief executive officer of MK. "As utilities and manufacturers throughout North America implement Canadian and U.S. clean-air legislation, we anticipate MK's full participation in a vigorous and growing market."

The scrubbers will be the first installed in North America employing the advanced Bischoff wet scrubber process technology. Joy Technologies is the exclusive North American licensee for the Bischoff system, which is based on sophisticated German technology. The work is scheduled for completion in mid-1994.

It is estimated that the scrubbers will remove more than 90 percent of the sulphur dioxide emissions at the two units. Installation of the scrubbers will be the first initiative by a Canadian utility to comply with the United States and Canadian clean-air legislation and the U.S.-Canadian pact on acid rain.

Morrison Knudsen Corp. is an international design/engineering, construction, environmental, mining and rail systems company.

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SAN FRANCISCO, (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Levi Strauss & Co. today announced that Peter A. Jacobi, president of the company's European division, will assume the newly created position of president -- Global Sourcing. It was also announced that Michael E. Howard, currently president of the Asia Pacific division, will assume Jacobi's European responsibilities.

In his new position, Jacobi will have primary responsibility for management of LS&Co.'s production requirements. He will become a member of the company's Executive Management Committee, and will report directly to Thomas W. Tusher, president and chief operating officer.

"Pete Jacobi's broad experience in the various aspects of our business, early career exposure to our production facilities, and proven management ability make him well-equipped to succeed in this key assignment." said Tusher. "Pete brings a global perspective to the job at a time when apparel manufacturers must carefully manage how they balance domestic and international production."

After joining LS&Co. in 1970, Jacobi worked in a variety of production and merchandising positions, which led to his becoming a Jeanswear vice president and general manager of Regular Jeans in 1980. In 1981, he was appointed president of the Youthwear division.

In 1984, he became executive vice president, The Jeans Company. Jacobi was promoted to president, Mens Jeans, The Jeans Company in 1986; and named president of the company's European division in 1987. He is a native of San Francisco and a graduate of San Jose State University.

As president of the company's European division, Howard will be responsible for the management and development of the company's largest international division. Its businesses are mainly throughout Western Europe, but also include operations in Eastern Europe, Africa and the Middle East.

"Mike Howard possesses the skills and experience to manager businesses in diverse cultures and markets," said Lee Smith, president of Levi Strauss International, to whom Howard will report. "His sensitivity to how Levi Strauss & Co.'s visions and values play out in different parts of the world will also be of particular value in his new, well-deserved position."

Howard joined LS&Co. in 1967 as a management trainee and subsequently held positions in Advertising, Sales and Merchandising. In 1970, he transferred to

Hong Kong where he became general merchandise manager. He later worked as the assistant general manager in Australia, and as the general manager in New Zealand.

Transferred to London, Howard was appointed vice president/general manager for Menswear in 1980. He assumed his current position of president, Asia Pacific Division, in August 1983. Prior to joining LS&Co., Howard graduated from Dartmouth College and served as an officer in the U.S. Navy. He will be based in Brussels, where the company maintains its European headquarters.

Levi Strauss & Co. is the world's largest apparel manufacturer. The company designs, manufactures and markets jeans and casual apparel for men, women and children. In addition to jeans, its products include slacks, shirts, jackets and skirts. With about 31,000 employees worldwide, the company has 39 plants and distribution centers in the United States and another 36 in international locations.

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HIGHLAND PARK, MI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are Chrysler Corporation's (NYSE: C) sales results for the first 10-day selling period of November.

	Total Cars			Selling Days	
	1990	1989	Pct. Change	'90	'89
Nov. 1-10	20,234	22,913	-11.7	9	9
Jan. l-Nov. 10	749,966	911,487	-18.0	266	265
	Domestic Cars				
Nov. 1-10	18,873	20,766	- 9.1		
Jan. l-Nov.10	693,142	818,979	-15.7		
	Total Trucks				
Nov. 1-10	14,785	22,607	-34.6		
Jan. 1-Nov. 10	733,821	854,610	-14.5		
	Domestic Trucks				
Nov. 1-10	14,558	21,738	-33.0		
Jan. 1-Nov. 10	722,157	820,034	-12.3		
	Total Vehicles				
Nov. 1-10	35,019	45,520	-23.1		
Jan. 1-Nov. 10	1,483,787	1,766,097	-16.3		

All changes are computed on a daily rate basis.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Paced by gains in aerospace and specialty chemicals operations, Sequa Corporation (NYSE: SQA) posted higher levels of revenues and income for the third quarter and nine months of 1990.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales and revenues from continuing operations rose 14 percent to $543.3 million from $474.5 million in the 1989 quarter. After-tax income from continuing operations advanced to $16.5 million or $1.65 per primary share from $15.3 million or $1.40 per primary share in the same period of 1989. For the current quarter, discontinued operations had no effect on final net income, whereas in the 1989 quarter the results of these operations lowered net income by $0.3 million or 3 cents per primary share. Earnings per primary share are based on 9.6 million shares outstanding in 1990, down from 10.2 million shares a year ago.

Three of Sequa's six operating groups achieved higher sales and operating income for the quarter, with particularly strong results in specialty chemicals and in the company's largest group, aerospace. A 19 percent increase in aerospace sales reflects continued strength at the company's largest business unit, Gas Turbine, as well as an increase at the ARC Propulsion unit. Sales of the Kollsman division declined for the period, as higher shipments of air-combat training equipment were offset by lower avionics and medical equipment sales. Operating income for the aerospace group rose 23 percent, as both Gas Turbine and ARC Propulsion generated sharply higher profits, and the Kollsman division narrowed its loss to near breakeven.

For the machinery and metal coatings group, sales advanced modestly and operating income rose 16 percent. Within the group, the divisions serving the two-piece can industry declined for the quarter, while the auxiliary press equipment unit and the metal coating division posted sharply higher results.

The specialty chemicals unit posted a 47 percent sales gain and a 70 percent increase in operating income for the quarter. The exceptional results for the group reflect advances at both the domestic chemicals unit and the overseas detergent chemicals division. For the latter, a sustained high level of demand for its principal product, TAED, combined with favorable currency movements and the addition of a chemical trading operation to generate substantially improved results.

The financial services group generated higher revenues for the third quarter. Operating income declined sharply as a result of an increased reserve on a leasing asset of the Sequa Capital unit. The transportation and the professional services groups both recorded lower revenues and income for the quarter due to unfavorable operating conditions. For The Valley Line barge transport unit, the third quarter was a period of low demand, declining freight rates and increased fuel costs. Within the professional services and

other products group, only the automotive products unit generated improved results for the period. Nonetheless, other units in the group, notably the ARC professional services business, made important adjustments to adapt to an altered operating environment.

For the nine months of 1990, Sequa recorded sales and revenues from continuing operations of $1.6 billion, up from $1.4 billion in the same period of 1989. After-tax income from continuing operations amounted to $54.5 million or $5.36 per primary share, compared with $53.8 million or $4.94 per primary share in the nine months of 1989. Net income for the 1989 period was lowered by $0.1 million or one cent per share by the results of discontinued operations. These businesses did not affect the 1990 period.

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#90318p6904 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share on its outstanding common shares.

The dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 3, 1990.

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SOUTHFIELD, MI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - D.O.C Optics Corporation (NASDAQ: DOCO) of Southfield, announced earnings today for the third quarter and first nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

D.O.C Optics Corporation
(Unaudited - $000)

	3 months ended Sept. 30		9 months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Systemwide sales	$14,386	$12,741	$42,826	$38,290
Revenues	11,568	10,885	34,452	32,845
Net income	$ 71	(157)	411	743
Earnings per share	$ 0.03	$ (0.07)	$ 0.18	$ 0.33

Systemwide sales increased $1,645,000, or 12.9 percent, while revenues rose $683,000, or 6.3 percent during the third quarter. These increases resulted even though 19 fewer stores were in operation at the end of the third quarter this year. Company-owned comparable store sales for the quarter improved 10.5

percent over the previous year.

Net income for the quarter was up $228,000 due to higher royalties from additional franchised stores and increased gains on the sale of franchises over the same period in 1989.

Cost containment continued to be a priority during the third quarter as selling, general and administrative expenses decreased 1.1 percent from last year.

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TROY, MI. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - R.P. Scherer Corporation reported sales of $83 million and operating income of $16.3 million for its second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. These results are an all-time record for any quarter, and 19 percent and 73 percent increases from last year's sales and operating income, respectively.

The sales increase reflects growth in the company's drug formulations and delivery systems segment, most notably in Europe and Japan, where substantial volume increases were even further enhanced by the favorable effects of higher foreign currency exchange rates, and the acquisition of Pharmaphil Corporation in October of 1989. The operating income improvements reflect the margin contributions on increased sales as well as the beneficial effects of a more favorable product mix and the company's successful cost-reduction measures.

A company spokesman stated that "These result are especially pleasing given that the company's second-quarter financial performance has historically been its lowest due to regularly scheduled plant maintenance shutdowns during the quarter."

The company's net loss after taxes of $1.2 million is substantially lower than a loss of $8.0 million in the same period last year. The losses in both periods reflect interest expense resulting from the debt incurred in connection with the acquisition of the company in June of last year. In addition, earnings in both periods were offset by provisions for foreign income taxes.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, R.P. Scherer reported sales of $165.1 million, a 10 percent increase over the corresponding period of the prior year. This sales increase reflects a 19 percent increase in sales of the company's drug formulations and delivery systems segment, partially offset by a decline in contract research and development and other revenues in the company's contract packaging segment.

Operating income for the first half of fiscal 1991 reached $32.4 million, representing an increase of 49 percent over the same period last year before a non-recurring restructuring charge of $5.4 million in June 1989, in connection with the company's revised business plans. The operating income improvement is attributable primarily to increased sales volumes and product mix changes in the drug delivery systems segment.

The company recorded a net loss of $3.1 million for the first six months of fiscal 1991, which compares favorably to a net loss of $16.7 million for the prior-year period. The net loss for the six-month period last year included $9.6 million in investment banking and other non-operating expenses incurred prior to the acquisition. Income tax provisions for both periods consist principally of taxes on income of the company's foreign subsidiaries.

R.P. Scherer is an international company specializing in the development, manufacture and marketing of advanced drug delivery systems. Scherer's proprietary and patented drug delivery systems optimize the efficacy of drugs by regulating the dosage, rate of absorption, and place of release. In addition to being the world's largest developer and manufacturer of softgels, Scherer's drug delivery range includes the patented Scherersol(R) and Zydis(R) systems. The company operates a global network of 14 facilities in 13 countries.

Zydis and Scherersol are registered trademarks of R.P. Scherer Corporation.

R.P. Scherer is now a subsidiary of RPS Corporation (OTC: RPCPP).

R.P. SCHERER CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF SALES AND INCOME
(In thousands, except per-share data)

	Unaudited Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Percent
	1990	1989	Change
Net sales	$82,999	$69,524	+ 19
Cost of sales	53,526	47,515	+ 13
Selling, administrative and other	13,147	12,552	+ 5
Restructuring expenses	---	---	
Operating income	16,326	9,457	+ 73
Interest expense, net	12,047	14,518	- 17
Non-operating expenses	---	---	
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and minority interests	4,279	(5,061)	N/A
Income taxes	4,310	2,385	+ 81
Minority interests in net income of subsidiaries	1,165	509	+129

Net loss from continuing operations	(1,196)	(7,955)	- 85
Income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	---	---	
Net loss	(1,196)	(7,955)	- 85
Preferred stock dividends	1,281	---	
Net loss available for common shares	(2,477)	(7,955)	- 69
Per common share for RPS Corporation: Net loss from continuing operations	($1.21)	($3.89)	
Income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	---	---	
Net loss	($1.21)	($3.89)	
Average no. of common shares outstanding	2,042,891	2,042,891	

	Six Months Ended Sept. 30		Percent
	1990	1989	Change
Net sales	$165,131	$149,619	+ 10
Cost of sales	106,425	100,236	+ 6
Selling, administrative and other	26,312	27,567	- 5
Restructuring expenses	---	5,376	
Operating income	32,394	16,440	+ 97
Interest expense, net	24,329	16,274	+ 50
Non-operating expenses	---	9,615	
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and minority interests	8,065	(9,449)	N/A
Income taxes	8,619	5,905	+ 46
Minority interests in net income of subsidiaries	2,585	1,920	+ 35
Net loss from continuing operations	(3,139)	(17,274)	- 82
Income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	---	618	
Net loss	(3,139)	(16,656)	- 81
Preferred stock dividends	2,464	5	
Net loss available for common shares	(5,603)	(16,661)	- 66
Per common share for RPS Corporation: Net loss from continuing operations	($2.74)	($8.46)	
Income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	---	.30	

Net loss	($2.74)	($8.16)
Average no. of common shares outstanding	2,042,891	2,042,891

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TULSA, OKLA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - T/SF Communications Corp. (AMEX: TCM) today announced that the company is offering to purchase up to 500,000 shares of its common stock from its shareholders at a price not greater than $3 nor less than $1.375 per share. The company is conducting the offer through a procedure commonly referred to as a "Dutch Auction." This procedure allows the stockholder to select the price within the $1.375 to $3 price range at which the stockholder is willing to sell its shares to the company. Based upon the number of shares tendered and the prices specified by tendering shareholders, the company will determine the single per share price within that price range (the "purchase price") that will allow it to buy 500,000 shares (or such lesser number of shares as are properly tendered at prices within that price range). All of the shares that are properly tendered at prices at or below the purchase price (and are not withdrawn) will, subject to possible proration, be purchased at the purchase price, net to the selling shareholder in cash. All shares which are tendered and not purchased will be returned to the shareholder.

T/SF Communications Corp.'s shares closed on Nov. 13, 1990, at $1.375. The company said that the offer will commence on Nov. 14, 1990, and will expire on Dec. 12, 1990.

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COUDERSPORT, PA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - John J. Rigas, president and CEO of Adelphia Communications Corp. ("Adelphia"), (NASDAQ: ADLAC), reported the results of operations for the second quarter which ended on Sept. 30, 1990.

Second quarter results saw record levels of combined revenues and other income which amounted to $66.0 million, and cash flow from operating and other income which amounted to $40.3 million. Adelphia owned or managed for affiliates, cable television systems serving approximately 1,029,000 subscribers at Sept. 30, 1990. Adelphia and its subsidiaries served at Sept. 30, 1990, approximately 750,000 subscribers in its wholly owned cable television systems and 244,000 subscribers in its joint venture cable television systems.

Combined revenues and other income for the second quarter was up 11.3 percent, compared with the same period in the prior year; and cash flow was up 21 percent, compared with the same period in the prior year.

Combined revenues and other income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $66.0 million, compared with $59.3 million for the same period in the prior year. Cash flow for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $40.3 million, compared with $33.3 million for the same period in the prior year. Net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $33.4 million, or $2.42 per share, compared with a net loss of $37.4 million, or $2.71 per share, for the same period in the prior year.

The ratio of total long-term debt to annualized cash flow for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was 8.82, compared with 9.67 for the same period in the prior year.

The Class A common stock of Adelphia is traded under the NASDAQ symbol "ADLAC."

ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Selected Financial Data
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

Three Months Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Income Statement Data:		
Revenues (A)	$62,645	$59,302
Operating expenses:		
Direct operating and programming (B)	15,948	16,495
Selling, general and administrative (B)	9,766	9,483
Depreciation and amortization	19,638	33,615
Total	45,352	59,593
Operating income (loss)	17,293	(291)
Other income (expense):		
Priority investment income (A)	3,350	--
Interest expense - net	(40,654)	(37,162)
Equity in net loss of joint venture partnership	(13,466)	--
Other	--	42
Total	(50,770)	(37,120)
Net loss	(33,477)	(37,411)
Net loss per share	$(2.42)	$(2.71)

Balance Sheet Data	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Cash and cash equivalents	$9,062	$21,501
Long-term debt:		
Notes to banks and institutions	1,103,925	1,000,925
16.5 percent senior discount notes due 1999 - net	198,153	169,059
13 percent senior subordinated notes due 1997 - net	98,993	98,886
Other debt	19,930	20,361
Total long-term debt	1,421,001	1,289,231

(A) Combined revenues and other income is comprised of the two items indicated with (A).

(B) Cash flow is comprised of combined revenues and other income less the two items indicated with (B).

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DETROIT (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Division today reported the following 10-day sales figures:

	Nov. 1-10		Month-to-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Selling days	9	9	9	9
Ford	2,505	1,839	2,505	1,839
Thunderbird	3,667	2,319	3,667	2,319
Taurus	7,590	8,174	7,590	8,174
Tempo	4,148	5,145	4,148	5,145
Escort	7,972	5,834	7,972	5,834
Festiva	995	1,309	995	1,309
Mustang	4,358	3,141	4,358	3,141
Probe	1,070	2,642	1,070	2,642
Total cars	32,305	30,403	32,305	30,403
Bronco	838	1,594	838	1,594
Bronco II/Expl	6,108	2,629	6,108	2,629
Club Wagon	317	632	317	632
Van	2,437	3,818	2,437	3,818
Aerostar	4,114	2,903	4,114	2,903
Ranger	6,806	7,437	6,806	7,437
F-Series	10,843	12,224	10,843	12,224
Heavy	970	1,330	970	1,330
Total trucks	32,433	32,567	32,433	32,567

	CYTD	
	1990	1989
Selling days	266	265
Ford	100,897	96,983
Thunderbird	94,987	110,125
Taurus	275,572	308,054
Tempo	194,850	203,141
Escort	255,690	302,691
Festiva	48,183	62,414
Mustang	111,129	148,386
Probe	97,487	119,967

Total cars	1,178,795	1,351,761
Bronco	42,861	53,988
Bronco II/Expl	149,206	95,009
Club Wagon	18,097	22,345
Van	129,524	149,429
Aerostar	158,818	166,895
Ranger	249,203	244,672
F-Series	469,330	499,489
Heavy	40,556	50,820
Total trucks	1,257,595	1,282,647

CONTACT: Mike Parris of Ford Division, 313-446-7770

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#90318p6914 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TACOMA, WA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Two Tacoma solvent recycling companies have been ordered to comply with federal and state hazardous waste management regulations and were fined a total $960,500 for numerous waste violations, the Washington State Department of Ecology today announced.

Lilyblad Petroleum Inc. and Sol-Pro Inc., which are both located at 2244 Port of Tacoma Road, were issued enforcement actions following a two-year Ecology investigation. During the past few years, Ecology inspectors repeatedly informed company officials of the violations, provided technical assistance and gave the firm opportunities to comply with state regulations.

Widespread contamination of the 1.9 acre site is suspected due to improper management of hazardous waste and petroleum products.

Lilyblad was fined $903,000 and Sol-Pro $57,500. The Lilyblad fine is the largest civil penalty ever issued by Ecology.

Ecology Director Chris Gregoire said the penalties are based on the severity and number of violations, failure to comply with past enforcement actions and the need to control illegal operations at the facilities.

Gregoire said Lilyblad handles most of the 8,000 tons of waste processed at the site each year including mineral spirits, acetone, trichlorethane, methylene chloride and MEK (methylethylketone). The company illegally sold hazardous waste that was marketed as fuel for boilers.

A portion of the 1.9 acre Lilyblad site is leased to Sol-Pro Inc. As an operator on the property, Sol-Pro is considered equally responsible for the site's contamination. Lilyblad and Sol-Pro operated as one business until 1987, then separated into two businesses but continued to use the same site. Sol-Pro, acting independently as a solvent recycler, also violated state hazardous waste regulations.

Ecology's enforcement orders require the two companies to take specific immediate and long-term actions that will upgrade the facilities, bring the firms into compliance with hazardous waste management regulations and stop practices which pose environmental threats. The orders also require the companies to address soil and ground water contamination problems on the site.

CONTACT: Maria Peeler, hazardous waste specialists, 206-586-0504, or Ron Holcomb, information officer, 206-459-6149, both of the Washington State Department of Ecology

-30- 2558

#90318p6915 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Tribune/Swab-Fox Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: TSFC) today announced operating results for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990. The company stated that it had a loss from continuing operations of $585,000, or 2 cents per share of common stock, on revenues of $23,967,000 for the third quarter. This compares to a loss from continuing operations of $570,000 or 2 cents per share, on revenues of $18,499,000, for the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months, the company reported a loss from continuing operations of $1,124,000, or 4 cents per share, on revenues of $68,366,000, compared to a loss from continuing operations of $1,082,000, or 4 cents per share, on revenues of $54,679,000 for the first nine months of 1989. In the third quarter of 1989, the company had a gain on sale of a discontinued operation of $2,498,000, resulting in net income, after such gain, of $1,886,000, or 5 cents per share, and $1,438,000, or a 7 cents per share, for the third quarter and first nine months, respectively, of 1989.

On a comparative basis to 1989, the company's T/SF Communications subsidiary, which is 65 percent owned, had lower earnings for the quarter, primarily due to increased depreciation and amortization associated with its Marks-Roiland Communications unit, which became a part of T/SF Communications in January, 1990, and continued losses from its Shopper's Guide unit. Offsetting these losses were gains in T/SF Communications' information services, daily newspaper and trade publishing units and reduced interest costs because of debt reductions. Tribune/Swab-Fox's separate operations were slightly improved, attributable to increased earnings form higher short term investments and a substantial gain on a sale of real estate, partially offset by significant write-offs on several venture capital investments.

G. Douglas Fox, president and chief executive officer of Tribune/Swab-Fox, stated, "The increased losses at Shopper's Guide represent a continuation of the problems which began in the second half of 1989. The softening of the northeastern economy is hurting this unit in attempting to correct its problems. The operations of the other divisions are generally performing satisfactorily."

CONTACT: G. Douglas Fox, Howard G. Barnett, Jr., or J. Gary Mourton, all of Tribune/Swab-Fox, 918-747-2600

-30- 2571

#90318p6916 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd. (AMEX: TPN) announced that at the board of directors meeting held today in New York City, the board has determined to proceed with the proposed spin-off of its oil and gas operations in Canada to its shareholders in a separate public company. The board has instructed management to study the factors involved in implementing the spin-off, which is presently expected to take place sometime during 1991, and to report back to the board at its next regular meeting in February 1991. The spin-off will be subject to satisfactory resolution of a number of tax, corporate and regulatory issues in both the United States and Canada.

Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd. is a petroleum company with refining and marketing operations in the Central United States and exploration and production in Canada. Its shares are listed on the American, Toronto, Montreal and Pacific stock exchanges. TOTAL Compagnie Francaise des Petroles owns approximately 52 percent of the voting shares of Total Petroleum (North America) Ltd.

CONTACT: Gilbert Kiggins of Total Petroleum, 212-482-8460

-30- 1332

#90318p6918 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Reading Co. (NASDAQ: RDGCA) today announced financial results that for the third quarter of 1990 the company had income from continuing operations of $561,000 or $.11 per share vs. a loss from continuing operations of $218,000 or $.04 per share last year. Revenues for the three-month period this year totaled $1,908,000 as compared with revenues of $1,334,000 last year.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company has net income of $1,098,000 equivalent to $.24 per share, as compared with a net loss of $218,000 or $.04 per share in the comparable period last year. Net income in the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 included a $637,000 or $.13 per share gain from discontinued operations reflecting receipt by the company of a payment in settlement of claim for additional compensation from the 1988 sale of the Energy Group.

Income from continuing operations in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $6,462,000 equal to $1.30 per share vs. a loss from continuing operations of $1,037,000 or $.21 per share in last year's nine- month period.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $7,099,000 equivalent to $1.43 per share as compared to net income of $17,761,000 on $3.57 per share in the corresponding period last year. Discontinued operations income in the current nine month period totaled $637,000 or $.13 per share vs. $18,798,000 or $3.78 per share last year. Last year's results of discontinued operations reflected the results of operations and the gain from the May 1989 sale of El Paso Refining Co. Ltd.

Commenting on the results, Charles M. Carter, president and chief executive officer said, "Reduced expenses, increased real estate development revenues from our Rutherford Industrial Park joint venture and the Energy Group settlement payment all contributed to the improvement in third quarter results from the corresponding period last year."

Reading recently announced that the company had received gross proceeds totaling approximately $18.4 million from the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia and the Pennsylvania Convention Center Authority from the Nov. 9, 1990, sale of certain properties, including the historic Reading Terminal Market and Train Shed for use in the Pennsylvania Convention Center project. The financial results of these sales will be reflected in the company's results for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: James A. Wunderle of the Reading Co., 215-735-8300

-30- 2721

#90318p6919 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - T/SF Communications Corp. (AMEX: TCM) today announced that the company is offering to purchase up to 500,000 shares of its common stock from its shareholders at a price not greater than $3 nor less than $1.375 per share. The company is conducting the offer through a procedure commonly referred to as a "Dutch Auction." This procedure allows the stockholder to select the price within the $1.375 to $3 price range at which the stockholder is willing to sell its shares to the company. Based upon the number of shares tendered and the prices specified by tendering shareholders, the company will determine the single per share price within that price range (the "purchase price") that will allow it to buy 500,000 shares or such lesser number of shares as are properly tendered at prices within that price range. All of the shares that are properly tendered at prices at or below the purchase price and are not withdrawn will, subject to possible proration, be purchased at the purchase price, net to the selling shareholder in cash. All shares which are tendered and not purchased will be returned to the shareholder.

T/SF Communications Corp.'s shares closed on Nov. 13, 1990, at $1.375. The company said that the offer will commence on Nov. 14, 1990, and will expire on Dec. 12, 1990.

CONTACT: G. Douglas Fox, Howard G. Barnett, Jr., or J. Gary Mourton, all of T/SF Communications, 918-747-2600

-30- 1634

#90318p6921 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Aero Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: AESM) today announced the signing of an agreement to sell substantially all the assets of its accessory service subsidiary, Air Support International, Inc. ("Air Support"), to Dunlop Aviation, Inc. ("Dunlop") for a cash price in excess of $2 million. Excluded from the sale are the cash and accounts receivable of Air Support totaling $1.1 million.

Dunlop Aviation, Inc. is a subsidiary of BTR PLC, a British public company. The closing, scheduled within 30 days, is subject to a number of contingencies including approval by the board of directors of Dunlop.

Robert G. Holmes Jr., Aero's president stated, "The sale of this subsidiary, acquired in 1984, will enhance the cash position of Aero Systems in this period of worldwide economic uncertainty. For the fiscal year ended Feb. 28, 1990, Air Support produced sales of $4.2 million."

CONTACT: Robert G. Holmes Jr., of Aero Systems, Inc., 305-871-1300

-30- 1161

#90318p6922 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Graham-Field Health Products, Inc. (AMEX: GFI) and Omnicare, Inc. (NYSE: OCR) today announced the purchase by Graham-Field of the John Bunn Company's pump and compressor product line. Under the purchase agreement, Graham-Field will take over the manufacture and distribution of the John Bunn Company pump and compressor products. The terms of the purchase agreement were not disclosed. Sales of the John Bunn pumps and compressors during Omnicare's most recent fiscal year were approximately $4 million. Irwin Selinger, chairman and chief executive officer of Graham-Field, stated that he was pleased to add the John Bunn name and products to the growing list of Graham-Field proprietary products. He noted that the John Bunn products would be integrated in to Graham-Field's existing manufacturing and marketing facilities and would not be operated as a separate division.

Graham-Field manufactures, markets and distributes approximately 14,000 healthcare products for hospitals, physicians and home use to approximately 12,000 home healthcare, physician and hospital supply distributors, and drugstore retailers and wholesalers.

CONTACT: Donald J. Harnett, chief financial officer of Graham-Field, 516-582-5900

-30- 1449

#90318p6925 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Comstock Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: CMRE) today announced financial results for the third quarter of 1990.

Revenues for the third quarter were approximately $1 million, compared with $2.3 million in 1989. For the third quarter, Comstock reported a net loss of $75,000 equal to 1 cent per share, compared with net income of $524,000, or 23 cents per share, for the same period last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $3.8 million, compared with $6.6 million for the same period of 1989. A net loss of $712,000, equal to 18 cents per share, was reported, compared to net income of $1,255,000 equal to 55 cents per share, for the same period last year. The net loss is attributable to a $735,000 extraordinary loss from early extinguishment of debt incurred during the second quarter. Before the extraordinary item, Comstock reported net income of $23,000.

"The decrease in revenue is attributable to production declines on the company's waterflood project on the Bryan Woodbine Unit. By year end, Comstock will have created a substantial revenue stream from its Texas Panhandle properties currently being developed which should replace the production from the Bryan Woodbine Unit in 1991," said M. Jay Allison, president and chief executive officer.

Comstock Resources Inc. owns and manages income producing assets in oil, casinghead and natural gas, precious metals and real estate, with subsidiary operations since 1865. Additional information about the company may be obtained by contacting M. Jay Allison, president and chief executive officer, at 5005 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1150, Dallas, Texas 75244, Telephone: 214-701-2100.

CONTACT: M. Jay Allison of Comstock Resources Inc., 214-701-2100

-30- 1952

#90318p6926 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

UNION, NJ (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert S. Schiffman, president and chief executive officer of Tenney Engineering, Inc. (AMEX: TNY), today announced Tenney's results of operations for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues from continuing operations for the third quarter were $3,912,000 compared to $5,115,000 in 1989. For the third quarter of 1990, the company operated at a net loss of $175,000 compared to a net loss of $353,000 in 1989.

Revenues from continuing operations for the nine months were $12,481,000

compared to $$15,069,000 in 1989. The net loss in 1990 from continuing operations was $959,000 which includes a gain on the sale of a marketable security of approximately $150,000 compared to a net loss of $1,030,000 in 1989 which included a pension plan curtailment gain of approximately $228,000 and an income tax credit of $80,000.

Tenney Engineering, Inc. engineers, manufactures and markets high technology environmental test equipment, allied vacuum products and insulated enclosures.

TENNEY ENGINEERING, INC.
(000s except per-share amounts)

Periods ended	Quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenue	$3,912	$5,115	$12,481	$15,069
Loss before income taxes	--	--	(959)(A)	(1,110)(B)
Income tax credit	--	--	--	(80)
Net loss	(175)	(353)	(959)	(1,030)
Loss per common share:				
Continuing operations	($0.05)	($0.10)	($0.27)(A)	($0.28)(B)
Discontinued operation	--	--	--	--
Net loss	(0.05)	(0.10)	(0.27)	(0.28)

(A) -- Inclusive of a gain on sale of a marketable security of approximately $150,000.

(B) -- Inclusive of a pension plan curtailment gain of approximately $228,000.

CONTACT: Frank E. Colgan, VP-finance of Tenney Engineering 201-686-7870.

-30- 2218
#90318p6927 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, Va. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - JHM Mortgage Securities L.P. (NYSE: JHM) today announced that its net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $719,000, or 14 cents per unit, compared to $1,739,000, or 35 cents per unit, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $2,879,000, or 57 cents per unit, compared to $3,935,000, or 79 cents per unit, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The partnership's taxable income for the quarter, upon which distributions are based, was 30 cents per unit.

JHM Mortgage Securities L.P. is a publicly-traded partnership whose objective is to provide high quarterly income through the active management of a portfolio of mortgage-related assets. The partnership is managed by JHM Mortgage Capital Corporation and is affiliated with The JHM Group of McLean.

CONTACT: Stephen P. Gavula or C. Thomas Williamson, III of JHM Mortgage

Securities L.P., 703-883-2900

-30- 1162
#90318p6930 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
DETROIT (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Detroit Edison (NYSE: DTE) today announced the highest October electricity sales in the company's history. Total sales of 3.3 billion kilowatthours (kWh) rose 4.4 percent from October 1989.

The month was marked by record October sales in both the residential and commercial customer segments. Sales to industrial customers of 1.6 billion kWh, while not setting an October record, rose 6.1 percent from October 1989.

Specifically, residential sales were 861 million kWh, up 3.3 percent from a year earlier. The October residential sales record was primarily the result of a 1.2-percent increase in customers from a year earlier, a longer billing period and slightly warmer weather.

Commercial sales were up 5 percent to 715 million kWh. The longer billing period and additional customers contributed to the record as well as slightly warmer October temperatures.

An increase in automotive and steel manufacturing sales as compared to 1989 resulted in the increase in industrial electricity sales.

On a year-to-date basis, the company's total sales are 0.4 percent above 1989. Commercial sales for the 10-month period are 2.2 percent higher, while residential sales are 0.5 percent higher and industrial sales remain the same as 1989.

CONTACT: Lorie N. Kessler, 313-237-8807, or Martin L. Bufalini II, 313-237-8808, both of Detroit Edison

-30- 1585
#90318p6931 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
LAKE SUCCESS, NY (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Care Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: CARE) today announced the opening of new offices in Baltimore, Md. and Melville, Long Island. The Care Group, through its subsidiary, Windsor Home Care, is split into two divisions, (1) Alliance Against Aids and (2) The Oncology Team, providing patients with specialized comprehensive home health care. According to Ann Mittasch, president of The Care Group, "the opening of these two new offices is a very important step in our accelerated expansion program."

The Care Group, through its 6 offices, (Atlanta, Baltimore, Margate, Fla., Melville, N.Y., New York City, Washington), services AIDS patients on the East coast. The company's personnel include registered nurses, nurses aids, licensed practical nurses, certified home health aides and certified personal

care workers. The Care Group recently established an additional area of home health care specialization in oncology (cancer care).

CONTACT: Ann Mittasch of The Care Group, 516-869-8383

-30- 1202

#90318p6932 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Quaker Oats Co. (NYSE: OAT) today declared a dividend of 39 cents per share on outstanding common stock. The dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 21, 1990.

CONTACT: Ronald G. Bottrell of Quaker Oats, 312-222-7388

-30- 486

#90318p6936 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, Fla. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Belmac Corporation (AMEX: BLM) today reported its financial results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Belmac posted a net loss of $388,680 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to a net loss of $703,785 for the same period in 1989. This is the lowest quarterly net operating loss the company has incurred since its initial public offering in February, 1988.

Belmac's CEO, Jean-Francois Rossignol, Ph.D., commented "Apparently our efforts to create a more efficient organization have been effective. We are making significant progress, but our task is not yet complete. We need to continue our efforts to reduce expenses in some areas, and we need to begin generating revenues."

Belmac expects to receive final regulatory approval from the French Ministry of Health to market its antihemorrhoidal drug Alphanon(R) in France before the end of 1990. In addition, Belmac has recently announced plans to begin development of a new anti-malarial drug and a new red blood cell substitute.

CONTACT: James Brussow, director of Investor Relations of Belmac Corporation, 813-286-4401

-30- 1318

#90318p6942 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HANOVER, MD (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Crop Genetics International (NASDAQ: CROP) today reported revenues of $1,526,200 for the second quarter period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $1,828,100 in the same period last year.

Net loss was $1,133,700 or $.31 per share, compared to a net loss of

$1,306,900 or $.28 per share in the second quarter of last year.

For the first six months of the fiscal year, revenues were $1,652,400, compared to $2,140,200 in the first six months of the previous year. For the first six months of fiscal 1990-91, net loss was $2,778,200 or $.66 per share, compared to a net loss of $2,995,900 or $.64 per share, for the first six months of last year.

CROP GENETICS INTERNATIONAL CORP.
Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months		Six months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Product sales	$1,142,900	$1,618,700	$1,146,200	$1,644,200
Investment income	383,300	209,400	506,200	496,000
Total revenues	1,526,200	1,828,100	1,652,400	2,140,200
Costs and expenses:				
Product costs	741,000	1,075,000	741,000	1,075,000
Field management	112,900	118,200	242,200	245,700
Research and development	1,203,200	1,481,800	2,437,000	2,903,500
General and administrative	602,800	460,000	1,010,400	911,900
Total costs and expenses	2,659,900	3,135,000	4,430,600	5,136,100
Net loss	(1,133,700)	(1,306,900)	(2,778,200)	(2,995,900)
Net loss per share	($.31)	($.28)	($.66)	($.64)
Shares used per share calculation	4,684,836	4,667,502	4,680,537	4,667,167

CONTACT: Joseph Kelly of Crop Genetics International,
301-621-2900, or 301-796-4633

-30- 2087

#90318p6944 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Woolworth Corporation (NYSE: Z) said it plans to continue a high level of capital spending and a vigorous program of store expansion in 1991. The company also announced new higher financial goals at a meeting of securities analysts here today in the company's headquarters.

The large multinational retailer plans cash capital expenditures of $360 million in its financial year starting Jan. 27, 1991, principally to finance the company's continued expansion of its specialty store operations, the renovation of existing stores and upgrading of electronic checkout and inventory management systems. The funds, expected to come entirely from

internal sources, compare with an estimated $365 million in cash capital spending in 1990.

Approximately 60 percent of the company's planned cash capital spending next year will be used to open a total of 785 new stores, most of which will be in five of the company's most successful specialty formats. The new store openings will be at the rate of "almost one every 11 hours of each day," said Frederick E. Hennig, Woolworth president and chief operating officer. This number of new stores compares with the 735 new stores originally planned for 1990 that was later increased to 825 stores when the company announced an increase in its cash capital spending for 1990.

Harold E. Sells, chairman and chief executive officer, told analysts that the company, which underwent a major restructuring in 1982, is now embarked on a "Phase II" refinement of that earlier strategy which had been marked by the redeployment of assets and a strong push into specialty retailing. Under this new "continuous restructuring," he said, the company is focusing on two principal objectives: "to maximize productivity" from the company's existing store base and to "be more rapid, but also more selective," in the expansion of new store space.

Sells said the greater emphasis on maximizing productivity and more rapid but more selective store expansion was a reflection of changes in the present and prospective retailing environment, including the likelihood of slower economic growth in the early 1990s.

Steps to improve productivity, Sells said, will include more aggressive management of inventory to achieve higher turnover levels and thus obtain a greater return on company assets; a major commitment to the development of more efficient electronic systems, including terminals at specialty store checkout counters; continued cost- containment programs "necessary to compete in the 1990s"; and stepped-up action in closing unprofitable or marginally profitable stores and formats.

Hennig told analysts that in 1989 alone the company closed a total of 412 stores, the largest number in any year since 1982 when the company discontinued its Woolco discount store chain in the United States. "Although store closings probably peaked in 1989, you can expect to see a couple of hundred closings each year in the near future as leases expire or as we close loss or marginal stores that are a drain on profits," he said.

CONTACT: W. Barry Thomson of Woolworth Corporation, 212-553-2394

-30- 3389

#90318p6945 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HILLSIDE, ILL. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Stockholders of Wallace Computer Services, Inc. (NYSE: WCS) re-elected two incumbent directors to serve for

three-year terms, at the company's annual meeting held today in its corporate headquarters.

The re-elected directors are Richard F. Doyle, 62, former senior vice president of finance and administration for Texas Oil & Gas Corp. and William E. Olsen, 62, independent consultant and former president and chief executive officer of IGA, Inc.

The third director whose term expired at this meeting, Arthur C. Nielsen Jr., has reached age 71 and was not eligible to stand for re-election under the company's by-laws. Nielsen, former chairman of the board and chief executive officer of A.C. Nielsen Co., had been a Wallace director since June 1984.

In other actions, the stockholders approved the appointment of Arthur Andersen & Co. as the company's independent public accountants for the upcoming fiscal year.

The directors of Wallace Computer Services, Inc. today increased its annual dividend payment to 50 cents per share, an 8.7 percent increase over the previous annual rate of 46 cents per share.

The first quarterly dividend of 12.5 cents per share is payable on Dec. 20, 1990 to shareholders of record on Dec. 3, 1990.

This is the 19th consecutive year that Wallace has increased its dividend and represents the 142nd consecutive quarterly dividend payment by the company.

Wallace Computer Services, Inc. is a leader in the computer services and supply industry. The company's products and services include business forms, commercial printing, computer hardware and software, computer labels and accessories, machine ribbons and other office products.

Products are distributed through Wallace's field sales force, direct mail catalogs and office products distributors. Wallace has sales offices and manufacturing and distribution facilities throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Mike Halloran of Wallace Computer Services, 708-449-8600

-30- 2215

#90318p6947 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation (Over- the-counter: CPTC) today announced revenues of $3.7 million and a loss of $3.1 million for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The net decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents for the quarter was just under $700,000, with a Cash and Cash Equivalent balance of $4.2 million at the end of the quarter.

Arun Dube, president and CEO, said, "First quarter revenues are typically low, since international business is slow during July and August." An increasing amount of CPT's revenues are derived from international sales, which currently account for over 50 percent of the company's revenues.

CPT CORPORATION
(Thousands, except per-share data)

	First Quarter Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Total revenues	$3,653	$7,642
Net loss	$(3,084)	$(3,271)
Net loss per share	$(.21)	$(.23)

CONTACT: David Priebe of CPT Corporation, 612-949-1728

-30- 1280

#90318p6948 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Nucorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: NUCO) reported the unaudited results of its operations for the nine and three month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to the nine and three month periods ended Sept. 30, 1989, as follows:

NUCORP, INC.
(000's omitted except per share amounts)

Periods ended	Nine months		Three months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues	$28,110	$ 5,164	$10,557	$ 1,813
Total operating costs and expenses	(21,968)	(4,467)	(8,583)	(1,556)
Income before taxes	$ 6,142	$ 697	$ 1,974	$ 257
Income taxes	(2,332)	(251)	(750)	(101)
Net income	$ 3,810	$ 446	$ 1,224	$ 156
Net income per share	$ .45	$ .09	$ .15	$ .02
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	10,424,895	4,713,229	10,419,081	6,539,768

Results of operations for the nine and three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 include the results of operations of United Capitol Holding Co. and its subsidiary, United Capitol Insurance Co., since their acquisition by Nucorp on Feb. 20, 1990.

CONTACT: Susan Obuchowski, 312-454-0100, for Nucorp

-30- 1526

#90318p6952 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BINGHAMTON, N.Y. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Centuri, Inc. (NASDAQ: CENT), the nation's pre-eminent distributor of outdoor sporting goods and a manufacturer and distributor of modular homes and custom mobile housing, today reported record sales for the three month and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Milton Koffman, Centuri's chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "The company had significantly improved its operating performance in the most recent quarter and is expected to show further improvement in the final quarter of 1990."

Revenues for the third quarter, ended Sept. 30, 1990, rose 16.2 percent to $59,166,000 from $50,916,000 reported a year ago. The net loss was $486,000 or $0.04 per share, compared to net income of $7,000 reported in the same period last year. In the second quarter ended June 30, 1990, Centuri, Inc. reported a loss of $2,245,000, or $0.17 per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 20.7 percent to $186,566,000, from $154,579,000 reported in the first nine months of 1989. The net loss was $4,114,000, or $0.31 per share, compared to a profit of $309,000, or $0.02 per share for the same period a year earlier.

Koffman commented, "While the soft retail environment resulted in Outdoor Sports Headquarters, Inc. (OSHI) third quarter sales being below what we had anticipated, OSHI returned to profitability in the third quarter. We anticipate further improvement in the subsidiary's performance as additional consolidation expenses associated with the integration of the acquisitions made by OSHI early in the year are eliminated."

Koffman also stated that during the third quarter, Poloron Homes of Pennsylvania, Inc. (Poloron Homes) operated at virtually break even, in spite of the recessionary level of housing starts in its Northeast marketing area. Koffman further explained that Poloron Homes' management has pared back operations and reduced annualized operating expenditures by approximately $2 million from the prior year's levels.

Centuri, Inc., through its wholly owned OSHI, is the pre-eminent distributor of outdoor sports equipment in the country. Poloron Products, Inc., through its wholly owned Poloron Homes of Pennsylvania, Inc. designs, manufactures and distributes modular housing and mobile homes.

CENTURI, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Summary of Operations
(Dollars in 000s, except per share)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$59,166	$50,916	$186,566	$154,579
Income (loss) from ops. bef. minority interest	(493)	(9)	(4,301)	185

Minority interest in net loss of subsidiary	7	16	187	124
Net income (loss)	(486)	7	(4,114)	309
Income (loss) per common & common equiv. shares	$(.04)	$.00	$(.31)	$.02
Average number of common equiv. shares outstanding	13,433,170	13,449,837	13,433,170	13,449,837

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BOSTON (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Sverdrup Corporation and Goldberg- Zoino & Associates, Inc., a subsidiary of GZA GeoEnvironmental Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: GZEA), recently signed a teaming agreement to provide hazardous waste remediation services including U.S. Department of Defense projects throughout New England and the Mid-Atlantic States.

Sverdrup, one of the nation's leading engineering, architectural and construction management firms, offers complete services from offices throughout the target area.

Goldberg-Zoino, which has enjoyed a 20 year working relationship with Sverdrup on numerous projects, is a prominent firm offering environmental sciences and geotechnical engineering, with offices in eight states from Maine to Michigan.

"This teaming agreement is a key strategic element of Sverdrup's new Eastern Group Hazardous Waste Unit," said Sverdrup Vice President Donald N. Weisstuch, general manager of Sverdrup's Eastern Group. "Selecting Goldberg-Zoino as a partner creates a perfect blend of their scientific and geotechnical strengths with Sverdrup's expertise in engineering design and construction management."

John E. Ayres, president of Goldberg-Zoino, notes, "This arrangement creates an opportunity to employ all our engineering and environmental skills on large-scale work over a broad geographic area. We are delighted to expand our excellent working relationship with Sverdrup and provide a full complement of services for public sector clients."

Sverdrup has been remediating hazardous wastes nationally and regionally for the past decade. Under the EPA's Alternative Remediation Contracting Strategy (ARCs) program, Sverdrup is a prime contractor for Superfund remediation assignments in the 15 states between the Mississippi River and the Rocky Mountains.

Sverdrup will also be providing remedial engineering support services for the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's Site Assessment and Remediation Support Services Program.

Goldberg-Zoino has also worked on many sensitive hazardous waste projects, providing efforts from initial investigations through remedial design and construction oversight. These include varied work on nearly 50 National Priority List sites. Goldberg-Zoino has also been working for more than three years on a multi-million dollar contract for environmental services with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Previous Sverdrup/Goldberg-Zoino collaborations include the Massachusetts Bay Transportations Authority's JFK/University of Massachusetts station modernization in Dorchester, Mass., a project that included development of a site-specific remediation plan, obtaining state approval, preparing contract documents, and providing resident engineering services. The firms are also working together for the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority on the $225 million Sudbury Aqueduct Rehabilitation, and the $100 million Inter-Island Tunnel, a part of the Boston Harbor Clean-up.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Corroon & Black Corporation has announced completion of mergers with three firms.

Henderson & Dreyer, Inc., a retail insurance broker based in Sacramento, Calif., has merged with Corroon & Black Insurance Services, Inc., also of Sacramento. Henderson & Dreyer writes business in a variety of areas, including manufacturing, construction, commercial real estate, auto dealerships, and retail stores. Frank A. Dreyer and Robert M. Henderson will become senior vice presidents of Corroon & Black of Sacramento.

The William Hyndman III Insurance Agency, Inc., of Rydal, Pa., has merged with Corroon & Black/Noyes Services. Both Corroon & Black/Noyes Services and the Hyndman firm are retail insurance brokerage operations specializing in coverages for contractors, environmental and pollution coverages, health care and institutional food processing, hospitality and entertainment, and malt beverage, lumber, and hardware distributors. James W. Noyes will serve as chairman and chief executive officer of both Corroon & Black/Noyes Services and Corroon & Black/Hyndman Agency. William Hyndman III will serve as vice chairman.

Lincoln-Cross Inc., a retirement plan consulting firm based in Nashville, Tenn., has joined the C&B Consulting Group. Lincoln-Cross provides actuarial plan consulting and administrative services to corporate clients across the nation. The firm, founded in 1983, employs approximately 50 people in Nashville and Knoxville, Tenn. and Orlando, Fla. Robert Cross is the chief executive officer of the new subsidiary, and Mark Lincoln is president.

Richard M. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer of Corroon & Black Corporation and chairman of Willis Corroon plc, stated in making the announcement: "We are pleased to welcome these new members of the Corroon & Black team. We are entering a new stage in our company's history, and our investment in future growth is enhanced by the presence of these firms, all of which are outstanding operations. These companies and their people will add significant value to our presence in the insurance marketplace of the 1990s."

Corroon & Black Corporation, now an operating division of Willis Corroon plc (NYSE, PSE: WCG), is headquartered in New York City. Corroon & Black is one of the world's largest full-service insurance intermediaries, providing insurance brokerage, risk management services, reinsurance brokerage, and employee benefits, compensation, and actuarial consulting to individuals, local governments, professions, business, and industry.

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LANSDALE, PA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - AEL Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: AELNA) announced today that its AEL Defense Corp. (AELDC) subsidiary has been awarded a $2.7 million contract modification by the U.S. Army Aviation Systems Command (AVSCOM), St. Louis, Mo.

This modification requires AELDC to produce six RU-21H Guardrail V avionics upgrade kits. The contract carries an option for AELDC to produce 13 additional kits which would increase the potential contract value to $8.9 million. The avionics upgrade modernizes communication, navigation and flight instrument subsystems, including cockpit lighting for Army secure lighting.

The production kits will be delivered to the government for installation on the RU-21H aircraft to improve mission performance and supportability.

AELDC's original contract provided for the design, development, modification and testing of the avionics upgrade for the prototype RU-21H aircraft. The majority of the development effort was accomplished at AELDC's Aero facility in East Alton, Ill., while the production kits will be manufactured at AELDC facilities in Lansdale and Butler, Ga.

AEL is a leading supplier of electronic defense systems and subsystems. The company designs and manufactures sophisticated countermeasures, simulation and radar warning receiver systems; installs and integrates electronic and avionic equipment in military aircraft and provides state-of-the-art antenna, microwave and integrated circuit components.

The Class A common stock of AEL Industries Inc. is traded in the over-the-counter market on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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MELBOURNE, FL (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific Systems Services (SSS) has been awarded a $2.9 million contract from Japan's NKK Corporation to supply computer systems engineering services to NKK Canada for a Continuous Galvanizing Line (CGL), according to SSS President Vincent S. Lamb, Jr.

Under the terms of the contract, SSS, the industrial systems integration division of Computer Task Group (NYSE: TSK), will design and implement a Process Computer System for the continuous hot dip galvanizing line of a new plant being built in Windsor, Ontario, Canada incorporating NKK basic design. SSS will be responsible for transferring NKK process technology to the new computer system as well as for all applications software.

The new Canadian facility will be operated by the DNN Corporation, a joint venture of Dofasco Incorporated of Canada, National Steel Corporation of Pittsburgh, and NKK Corporation of Japan. It will provide high quality, corrosion-resistant steels for demanding end use applications for automotive and other manufacturers.

"The CGL project is strategically important to the three joint venture companies," said Kenzo Hikino, Director of NKK's Iron and Steel Engineering Division. "And we are looking forward to working with SSS. This is the first time that NKK has worked with a North American software company."

Walt Zipperman, SSS Vice President of Sales and Marketing, explained that the SSS Process Control System will be connected with the plant's distributed control system for furnace combustion control; the programmable logic controller for line control; and to the host computer micro computer for coating weight and galvanneal control. A backup system will be provided to perform main system functions in the event of a system failure.

"Other system features," Zipperman said, "include coil tracking and strip temperature control; man/machine interface via terminals on the plant floor and in the computer room; graphic displays and entry screens that enable

operators to monitor and control the CGL; logging and alarm functions that can be documented on plant floor printers; and a communications link to permit requests and messages from the business computer system which SSS is also developing."

According to Lamb, the DNN process control system software will be designed, developed and integrated at the SSS Pittsburgh facility located in Pittsburgh's RIDC Park. The thirty-one month project will be factory-tested in the facility's systems staging area prior to delivery and extensively tested again during and after its installation at the Canadian galvanizing plant.

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CARSON CITY, NV (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Hytek Microsystems Inc. (NASDAQ: HTEK) reported unaudited third quarter and year-to-date financial results as follows:

HYTEK MICROSYSTEMS INC.
(In thousands except per share data)

	Quarter Ended	
	9/29/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$1,076	$1,521
Loss from continuing operations	(103)	(1,842)
Loss from discontinued operations	--	(753)
Net Loss	(103)	(2,595)
Loss per share:		
Continuing operations	(.04)	(.66)
Discontinued operations	--	(.27)
Net loss per share	(.04)	(.93)
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,751	2,776

	Nine months ended	
	9/29/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$5,710	$7,516
Loss from continuing operations	(2,125)	(3,311)
Loss from discontinued operations	--	(919)
Net loss	(2,125)	(4,230)
Loss per share:		
Continuing operations	(.77)	(1.19)
Discontinued operations	--	(.33)
Net loss per share	(.77)	(1.52)

Weighted average shares outstanding	2,751	2,784

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET

	9/29/90	9/30/89
Assets Current assets	1,515,000	4,376,000
Net property, plant and equipment	308,000	1,083,000
Land and building held for sale	--	800,000
Investment and other assets	--	587,000
Total Assets	1,823,000	6,846,000
Liabilities and equity		
Current liabilities	579,000	1,568,000
Deferred income taxes	--	20,000
Long term lease	--	33,000
Shareholders' equity	1,244,000	5,225,000
Total liabilities and equity	1,823,000	6,846,000

In order to establish a means to maintain ongoing operations, Hytek closed down its Los Gatos, Calif., facility during the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, after selling the assets (including backlog) of that facility in July 1990. The company is continuing a reduced level of operations in its Carson City, Nev., military certified facility. The results reported above reflect gains and one-time costs associated with the sale of assets and consolidation of operations and the use of cash to fund a shareholder trust, which trust has been established to distribute certain proceeds from the sale of assets, including future royalties.

Founded in 1974, Hytek specializes in hybrid microelectronic circuits that are used in military, computer, communications and other OEM applications.

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TONTITOWN, AR (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - P.A.M. Transportation Services Inc. (NASDAQ: PTSI) today reported operating results for the third quarter and the nine months ended Sept. 30.

Operating revenues for the quarter were $13,698,595 compared to $17,076,044 for the third quarter of 1989. Operating losses and operating ratio for the quarter were $472,825 and 103.0 percent in 1990 compared to an operating loss of $2,900,218 and an operating ratio of 117.0 percent for the 1989 period. The net loss was $1,117,297 or $.23 per share compared to a net loss of $3,207,173 or $.66 per share for last year's third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, P.A.M. reported operating revenues of $42,052,912 compared to $55,364,742 for the same period last year. Operating loss and operating ratio for the year were $2,622,971 and 106.2 percent respectively compared to an operating loss of $3,122,358 and an operating ratio of 105.6 percent for the 1989 period. The company's net loss was $4,638,250 or $.95 per share compared to a net loss of $5,008,749 or $1.03 per share for 1989.

P.A.M. TRANSPORTATION SERVICES INC.
EARNINGS REPORT

Quarter ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$13,698,595	$17,076,044
Operating expenses	14,171,420	19,976,262
Operating (loss)	(472,825)	(2,900,218)
Operating ratio	103.5 pct.	117.0 pct.
Interest expense	(644,472)	(810,955)
(Loss) bef. income taxes	(1,117,297)	(3,711,173)
(Benefit) for income taxes	0	(504,000)
Net (loss)	$(1,117,297)	$(3,207,173
Net (loss) per share	$ (0.23)	$ (0.66)
Avg. common shares outst.	4,867,857	4,867,857

Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$42,052,912	$55,364,742
Operating expenses	44,675,883	58,487,100
Operating (loss)	(2,622,971)	(3,122,358)
Operating ratio	106.2 pct.	105.6 pct.
Interest expense	2,015,279	(2,390,391)
(Loss) bef. income taxes	(4,638,250)	(5,512,749)
(Benefit) for income taxes	0	(504,000)
Net (loss)	$(4,638,250)	$(5,008,749)
Net (loss) per share	$ (0.95)	$ (1.03)
Avg. common shares outst.	4,867,857	4,867,857

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JERSEY CITY, NJ (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Wilshire Oil Company of Texas (NYSE: WOC) reported an 84 percent increase in net income and a doubling of the earnings per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Nine-month revenues increased from $6,438,000 to $7,065,000. Net income for the nine months increased from $363,000, or four cents per share, to $667,000, or eight cents per share.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased from $2,334,000 to $2,484,000. Net income for the third quarter increased from $62,000, or one

cent per share, to $296,000, or four cents per share. The increase in the third quarter's performance was due to increased production and sales of both oil and natural gas.

The energy crisis in the Middle East increased the price of oil sold by Wilshire in September and will continue to enhance Wilshire's revenues and profits from its existing oil and gas operations in the remainder of 1990.

In addition, Wilshire completed several new exploration wells this year in the United States and Canada which, together with the connection of a new gas transmission line in the Kaybob area in Canada, will result in further increased revenues and profits.

Wilshire is a North American oil and gas exploration and production company with interests in 1,585 producing wells. As part of the company's diversification plan, Wilshire now holds approximately ten percent of the outstanding shares of Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. (NYSE: JEC).

The 1,035,000 Jacobs shares were acquired at a cost of $4.65 per share compared to the current market price of $23 per share.

WILSHIRE OIL COMPANY OF TEXAS

Periods ended	Nine months		Quarter	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$7,065,000	$6,438,000	$2,484,000	$2,334,000
Net income	667,000	363,000	296,000	62,000
Earnings per share	$.08	$.04	$.04	$.01

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INDIANAPOLIS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - AM Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: AMJI) announced today the change of its NASDAQ stock symbol from AMON to AMJI, which reflects the change in the company's name from American Monitor Corporation to AM Diagnostics, Inc. The new symbol is effective immediately. The stock is currently being traded on the OTC Bulletin Board. AM Diagnostics' Series A Preferred Stock is also being traded on the OTC Bulletin Board under the stock symbol AMJIP.

American Monitor Corporation closed its Sixth Amended Plan of Reorganization effective Sept. 17, 1990. At that time, American Monitor reorganized, recapitalized and began operating under the new name of AM Diagnostics, Inc.

AM Diagnostics, Inc. manufactures and markets automated blood chemistry testing equipment and the associated consumable diagnostics reagents to the worldwide health-care market.

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#90318p6979 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Interstate/Johnson Lane, Inc. (NYSE: IS) today reported a net loss for its fiscal year ended September 30 of $16.9 million, or $2.49 per share, on revenues of $127.3 million. These results include $10.3 million of non-recurring charges associated principally with corporate restructuring, termination or consolidation of certain fixed income offices, settlement of major litigation, and loss provisions related to several real estate investment partnerships. For the fourth quarter, the company posted a loss of $13.3 million, or $1.97 per share, on revenues of $27.1 million.

Interstate/Johnson Lane remains in a strong financial position to effectively service its customers. "In fact, at September 30 of this year our broker-dealer subsidiary had more regulatory net capital than a year ago -- and nearly $21 million more than is required by the Securities and Exchange Commission," said Parks Dalton, chairman and chief executive officer.

Exclusive of non-recurring charges, the company's quarterly loss was primarily attributable to a major decline in commission revenues from both individual and institutional investors. To address the bottom line impact of this trend, the company today announced several organizational changes designed to enhance its profit potential by increasing the focus on the broker-dealer's retail sales network, eliminating under-performing business units and trimming excess staff. These changes, elimination of substantial losses from discontinued fixed-income operations and significantly reduced costs of ongoing real estate operations are expected to produce major savings.

According to Dalton, "We have taken the dramatic steps necessary to position this firm to be profitable in the not-too-distant future and a viable player in the brokerage industry over the long term. Given the starting point of our strong capital position, all these changes ensure a much cleaner slate as we begin to fortify our valuable retail franchise. The result will be a leaner company with a more focused effort on the sales forces." He noted that, while some of the anticipated savings would be effective in December, many would not be achieved until the quarter ending March 31. "This timetable, and the continuing slowdown in the securities industry, suggest that we may well incur a loss in the current quarter ending December 31," Dalton added.

Highlights of the restructuring plan include the elimination of approximately 75 staff positions in Charlotte and Atlanta, consolidation of four retail branches into more profitable nearby locations and the elimination of the corporate bond dealer desk. Also, the research and corporate finance units of

the company's former capital markets group will be significantly downsized.

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UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Corporation (NYSE: WU) reported today that its net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30 was $26.6 million. This compares with a net loss of $13.1 million for the third quarter of 1989.

After giving effect to undeclared dividends on preferred shares, the 1990 third-quarter net loss amounted to 42 cents per common share (based on a weighted average of 92.6 million shares outstanding), compared with a net loss of 47 cents per share (based on a average of 54.5 million shares outstanding) in last year's third quarter. The year-to-year increase in common shares was due mainly to conversions of Western Union Class B Convertible Preferred shares into common shares during the past 12 months.

For the first nine months of 1990, the corporation had a net loss of $72.3 million, which amounted to $1.22 per common share (based on a weighted average of 87.5 million shares outstanding). The net loss reported for the first nine months of 1989 was $18.2 million, or $1.12 per common share (based on a weighted average of 47.2 million shares outstanding).

Total revenues were $145 million for the third quarter of 1990 and $436 million for the first nine months. This compares with 1989 revenue levels of $157 million and $474 million, respectively. The 1989 revenue totals included $4 million for the third quarter and $12 million for the nine months from services that are no longer provided by Western Union.

WESTERN UNION CORPORATION

Summary of Consolidated Revenues and Income (Loss)

Three months ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
Total revenues	$ 145,295,000	$ 157,317,000(A)
Net loss	$ (26,628,000)	$ (13,074,000)
Dividends on preferred shares:		
Undeclared	(12,039,000)	(12,655,000)
Net loss applicable to common shares	$ (38,667,000)	$ (25,729,000)
Net loss per common share	$ (.42)	$ (.47)
Weighted average number of common shares	92,589,000	54,478,000

A -- Includes $4,335,000 in revenues from services formerly provided, which are not included in 1990 revenues.

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#90318p6981 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CITY OF INDUSTRY, CA (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - STOR Furnishings International Inc. (NASDAQ: STOR) achieved a small profit in its second quarter and sharply reduced its loss for the first six months of fiscal 1991 with increased sales in both periods, Harvey G. Knell, chairman of the executive committee, announced today.

For the 12 weeks ended Oct. 12, 1990, sales rose to $18,366,000 from $17,686,000 in the like quarter a year ago. Net income of $81,000, or one cent per share, was reported, compared to net income of $31,000, or one cent per share, in the same quarter last year.

For the 28 weeks ended Oct. 12, 1990, sales advanced to $41,079,000 from $33,950,000 in the corresponding period last year. The gain in part reflects the fact that the company's third supercenter did not begin operating until June 1989. A net loss of $1,557,000 or 26 cents per share, was sustained, as against a loss of $4,071,000 or $1.02 per share, in the first 28 weeks of fiscal 1990.

Knell commented: "We are gratified by the sales growth of all three of our supercenters. On a year-to-year basis, comparable store sales increased in both the first and second quarters, although more modestly in the latter period. Our sales performance at a time when retailers in general are feeling the impact of a sluggish economy is encouraging to us.

"The company continues to lay the foundation for a significantly larger chain of supercenters. Earlier this week, we took an important step in our growth strategy when we completed arrangements for the construction of our fourth supercenter, which will be in Houston, and is scheduled to open in the Spring of 1991."

Knell concluded: "STOR continues to move ahead in several key areas. We have narrowed our losses and strengthened our sales. We have begun our expansion drive and have identified a number of other sites in major metropolitan markets where we intend to proceed once financing can be obtained. The recently announced addition of Richard Clayton as chairman and chief executive officer will strengthen our experienced management team."

STOR Furnishings International Inc. operates high volume supercenters offering a large selection of high quality, affordable home furniture and furnishings, as well as housewares and accessories, available in-stock for customers to take home the same day. It currently operates three 150,000 square foot supercenters in Southern California.

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#90318p6983 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of J.C. Penney Co. Inc. the major department store and catalog retailer, declared today the regular quarterly dividend of 66 cents per share on the company's outstanding common stock payable Friday, Feb. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business Thursday, Jan. 10, 1991.

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#90318p6984 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANNAPOLIS, MD. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Monday night's Second Annual Corporate Support Dinner for the Chesapeake Bay Foundation netted $21,000 for the not-for-profit environmental group. Henry A. Berliner Jr., president of Second National Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: SNFS), chaired the fundraiser for the second year.

"I am extremely pleased to report that in a year of economic downturn, the corporate community responded so generously," said Berliner to the 200 guests at the $150-a-plate dinner held at the Annapolis Marriott Hotel. The theme was "The Return of the Rockfish -- for Good or Just a Visit?"

Gilbert M. Grosvenor, president of the National Geographic Society, presented "The Island," an award-winning, multi-image program.

Others on the agenda included William F. Baker, president and CEO of Chesapeake Bay Foundation, and J. Randall Evans, secretary, Maryland State Department of Economic and Employment Development. The invocation was delivered by the Rev. Dr. John Price, rector, St. Anne's Episcopal Church in Annapolis.

Second National is a $1.8 billion financial institution with 41 branch offices in Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

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OKLAHOMA CITY (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Red Eagle Resources Corp. (NASDAQ: REDX) today reported net income of 8 cents per share or $1,538,000 after provision for income taxes of $898,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30,

1990, compared to income of only $49,000 for the like period in 1989. Total revenues for the current nine-month period were $25,688,000 compared to $16,469,000 for the like period of the previous year.

Revenues for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1989, were 26 percent above those of the comparable period in 1989 as a result of increased contract drilling and oil-field service activity and higher oil and gas revenues. Income from operations increased to $1,030,000 for the three-months ended Sept. 30, 1990, from a loss of $545,000 during the comparable period in 1989. The improvement was due to higher contract drilling profit margins, increased oil and gas production, and a reduction in general and administrative costs.

According to company president, Harry C. Johnson, none of the improvement in Red Eagle's earnings was attributable to higher oil prices. Red Eagle's production mix is about two-thirds natural gas and prices for natural gas were 11 percent lower for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, than for the comparable quarter in 1989. "To put the kindest face on it, incompetence has to run rampant in the highest reaches of government in order for a clean, efficient, and plentiful domestic energy source to sell at one-third the cost of imported oil when that same government is ready to go to war rather than take the steps necessary in order to rectify that paradox," Johnson said.

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HAMPTON, N.H. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Revenues of Henley Properties Inc. (NASDAQ: HENP) totaled $18.0 million in the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $25.2 million in the July-September period of last year. There was net loss in the latest quarter of $6.3 million, or 31 cents per share, vs. a net loss of $1.2 million, or 6 cents per share, in the corresponding period of 1989.

The revenue decrease resulted primarily from lower residential sales at Coronado Cays, a 1,200-unit waterfront development in Coronado, Calif., whose final units were substantially completed and sold last year. The increased net loss reflected the June sale of Henley Properties' interest in two trash-to-energy facilities, whose income contribution had partially offset the 1989 third-quarter loss.

In the first nine months of 1990, sales increased to $89.4 million from $85.9 million in the corresponding period of 1989, and net income climbed to $71.5 million, or $3.46 per share, from $4.7 million, or 23 cents per share.

The current year's nine-month results include the previously reported $104 million pretax gain on the sale of the interest in the trash-to-energy plants, as well as the sale, in May, of a 90 percent interest in approximately 3,500

acres of land on Hawaii.

Henley Properties has 15 residential, commercial and industrial properties in Southern California, as well as real-estate interests in Hawaii, Michigan, New Hampshire and Wisconsin.

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PONTIAC, MICH. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors for First Federal Savings Bank & Trust (FFSBT) has accepted a letter of intent to sell six branch offices to Old Kent Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: OKEN) of Grand Rapids, Mich. This action is intended to strengthen FFSBT's overall financial position.

The announcement was made by Leo D. Ottoni, president and CEO of FFSBT and its parent company, First Federal Bancorp, Inc. (FFB). FFB is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "FFS."

"This action is part of our continuing program to strengthen our financial position by tightening our operations and improving our balance sheet," Ottoni said. "By bringing in more capital, we have taken another major step in our attempt to comply with the new and tougher requirements of the Financial Institution Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA)."

The transaction between FFSBT and Old Kent is subject to regulatory approval, the execution of a definitive agreement and other conditions.

The branches to be sold, with current total deposits of $116 million, are located in: Milford, Highland Township, Plymouth, Walled Lake, Holly, and Marlette, Mich.

The transaction when completed, including the sale of branch real estate, is expected to result in the receipt of approximately $7 million in tangible capital by FFSBT, depending on branch deposit levels at the time of closing.

The branches currently employ 37 people. The sale will reduce FFSBT's work force by almost 9 percent and the number of branch offices to 20.

FFSBT, headquartered in Pontiac, is the fifth-largest thrift institution in Michigan. It currently has 26 branches in six southeastern Michigan counties and employs 394 people. Assets of FFB were $1.19 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990.

FFB also owns and operates Citizens Federal Saving Bank (CFSB) in Jacksonville Fla. CFSB has four branches and employs 40 people.

FFSBT and CFSB are members of the Federal Home Loan Bank System and their deposits are insured up to the applicable limits by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

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MONTREAL (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Montreal Exchange has accepted today a notice filed by Promatek Industries Ltd./Les Industries Promatek Ltee. that it intends to acquire shares pursuant to a normal course issuer bid.

Promatek Industries Ltd. repurchased 62,100 of its common shares during the period commencing on March 14, 1989 and ending on March 13, 1990.

Promatek Industries Ltd. intends to purchase a maximum of 136,436 of its common shares during the period commencing on Nov. 15, 1990 and ending on Nov. 14, 1991, such amount representing less than 5 percent of the 3,487,900 outstanding common shares and 10 percent of the public float of its common shares, the public float being 1,354,360 common shares on Nov. 15, 1990. All such purchases will be effected through the Montreal Exchange in accordance with its by-laws and rules. The price to be paid will be the market price of the shares at the time of acquisition.

Promatek Industries Ltd. considers that its shares are presently undervalued and represent an excellent investment.

Copies of the notice are available from Promatek Industries Ltd.

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Ohio (BCBSO) today released third-quarter financial results that support projections for a strong, successful 12 months in 1990.

"At this point, considering familiar seasonal utilization patterns, we are encouraged that the company is on track to meet year-end performance projections," said Kent W. Clapp, BCBSO senior vice president and chief financial officer.

"Specifically, the company anticipates positive net income in excess of $25 million on about $1.5 billion worth of premium and with reserves of about $120

million by year's end."

Seasonal utilization refers to health insurers' common experience of financial losses early in a year followed by improved income in subsequent quarters, largely as a result of hospital inpatient claims tapering off from peak volumes in the first half. The following third-quarter numbers are reported in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP):

- Third-quarter net income rose 27 percent to $10.5 million from $8.2 million a year earlier.
- Premium earned during the third quarter rose three percent to $364.4 million from $355.5 million in 1989.
- For the full nine months, BCBSO had a net loss of $5.0 million on premium of $1.12 billion, compared with a net loss of $1.3 million on premium of $1.06 billion in 1989.
- Reserves for the protection of policyholders were up slightly to $94.7 million at Sept. 30, 1990, versus $94.2 million for the corresponding period in 1989.

Other company statements are filed quarterly with the Ohio Department of Insurance using an alternative accounting system (statutory), which does not recognize capital assets, such as equipment and software, and profits from subsidiaries. Company officials believe GAAP more properly reflects the current status of BCBSO as a going concern.

The company had reported a second-quarter 1990 positive net income of $8.9 million, versus a $9 million loss for the same period in 1989. The good early start was an indication that a strong finish could be projected.

"We look forward to a productive fourth quarter," Clapp said. "Most noteworthy at the outset was BCBSO's financial rescue of the failed Blue Cross of West Virginia plan, commencing Oct. 11. Besides assuring continued coverage for some 270,000 West Virginia subscribers, the affiliation agreement should yield some substantial benefits for us in Ohio as well."

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PRINCETON, N.J. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Liposome Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: LIPO) announced today that revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $996,000, as compared to $923,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Collaborative research and development revenues increased $223,000 or 36.4 percent and licensing and other fees increased $11,000, more than offsetting a decrease in interest income of $161,000.

Total expenses for the third quarter of 1990 were $2,886,000, an increase of $413,000 or 16.7 percent over the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Higher costs associated with clinical studies, personnel and patent filings were offset by a decrease in pre-clinical study and recruitment costs. Overall, the net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased $340,000, or 21.9 percent over the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, to a total loss of $1,890,000. Net loss per share increased $.02 per share from $.11 to $.13 per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a total net loss of $5,549,000. The loss per share for the nine months decreased $.03 per share from $.42 to $.39 per share. Total revenues for the nine months were $3,020,000 versus $2,868,000, an increase of 5.3 percent.

The Liposome Company recently announced the commencement of Phase II clinical trials with its proprietary drug, TLC G-65, for the treatment of disseminated Mycobacterium avium-intracellulare (MAI), an opportunistic infection that eventually strikes 30 percent to 50 percent of AIDS patients. TLC G-65 received an orphan drug designation from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in July 1990. In pre-clinical trials, TLC G-65 was highly effective against MAI infection. In Phase I studies, completed last month in healthy volunteers the drug was well tolerated. The Phase II clinical trials are designed to establish an effective dose for TLC G-65 and then test the drug in expanded, multi- center studies.

Earlier, in a joint press release with Bristol-Myers Squibb, The Liposome Company announced the initiation of Phase II clinical trials with Amphotericin B Lipid Complex (ABLC) for cryptococcal meningitis, a potentially life-threatening fungal infection that attacks AIDS and other immunocompromised patients. Bristol-Myers Squibb also has undertaken ongoing studies using ABLC against coccidioidomycosis, a serious fungal infection which occurs in both immune-suppressed and normal patients.

The company is continuing to pursue cash sources from licensing agreements for its proprietary products and technology to offset the increasing cash needs of clinical testing and clinical manufacturing, as well as to decrease the need for capital from other sources. Failure on the part of the company to complete such an agreement in the near future will negatively impact the company's ability to continue funding its primary product development activities at the current levels without an adverse near-term impact on liquidity.

The largest company dedicated exclusively to the development of liposome-based pharmaceuticals, The Liposome Company is primarily focused on developing advanced liposomal drugs for the treatment of cancer and serious infectious diseases.

THE LIPOSOME COMPANY, INC.

Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except per share figures)
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Collaborative research & development revenues	$835	$612	$2,368	$1,859
Licensing & other fees	16	5	106	9
Interest income	145	306	546	1,000
Total revenues	996	923	3,020	2,868
Research & development expenses	2,180	1,891	6,195	6,004
General & admin. exps.	706	582	2,374	1,844
Merger & related reorganization exps.	--	--	--	875
Total expenses	2,886	2,473	8,569	8,723
Net loss	(1,890)	(1,550)	(5,549)	(5,855)
Net loss per common share	$(.13)	$(.11)	$(.39)	$(.42)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	14,227	14,164	14,213	14,143

THE LIPOSOME COMPANY, INC.
Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition
(In thousands)

	Sept. 30, 1990 (unaudited)	Dec. 31, 1989 (audited)
Current assets, principally cash and short-term investments	$5,704	$11,410
Property and equipment, net	1,889	2,277
Other assets, net	1,103	1,242
Total assets	8,696	14,929
Current liabilities	1,360	1,956
Other liabilities	690	803
Stockholders' equity	6,646	12,170
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	8,696	14,929

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COLUMBIA, MD (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - IGENE Biotechnology, Inc. reported net loss for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $236,603, or 3 cents per common share, versus $476,974, or 21 cents per common share, in the third quarter of 1989. For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $758,482, or 24 cents per common share, versus

$1,488,977, or 65 cents per common share, for the corresponding nine-month period in 1989.

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MIAMI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Elexis Corporation (NASDAQ: ELEX) today reported a third quarter 1990 net loss of $135,928, or $.06 per share, compared with a net loss of $370,023 or $.16 per share, reported in the third quarter of 1989.

The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $157,214 or $.07 per share, compared with a net loss of $800,301, or $.36 per share, for the corresponding months last year.

Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $1,896,556 compared with $1,516,966 reported in the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, sales were $5,929,117 in comparison to $5,157,646 for the same period in 1989.

According to Frank J. Bianco, president and chief executive officer, the company continues to make significant progress toward a turnaround. "The reduction in the net loss reflects the results of cost containment measures implemented during 1989 and modest growth in sales."

The company also reported that it has postponed a common stock offering because of market conditions. The company is currently exploring alternative sources of financing to increase working capital and support future operations.

Elexis Corporation develops, manufactures and markets technologically innovative consumer electronic products for the sports/fitness and pet care markets.

CONTACT: Frank J. Bianco, president of Elexis Corporation, 305-592-6069

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CHICAGO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Fibres Inc. (NASD: CFIB) today reported its results for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1989, as follows (amounts in thousands except per share amounts):

CONSOLIDATED FIBRES INC.

Period ended	Three Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989

Net sales	$ 10,389	$ 10,640
Less: cost of sales	(7,768)	(8,251)
Gross margin	2,621	2,389
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(1,856)	(2,010)
Interest expense	(218)	(224)
Interest income	6	12
Other income (expense)	(110)	(10)
Equity in earnings (loss) of U.S. recycling industries	--	(285)
Income (loss) before taxes and extraordinary item	443	(128)
Income tax (expense) benefit	(182)	20
Net income (loss) before extraordinary item	261	(108)
Extraordinary item	55	--
Net income (loss)	316	(108)
Per common share:		
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	$.13	$(.05)
Extraordinary item	$.03	--
Net income (loss)	$.16	$(.05)

The extraordinary item represents the utilization of tax benefits of net operating loss carryforwards in the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

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CORAL GABLES, FL (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 Avatar Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ: AVTR) reported consolidated net income of $12,336,000 ($1.49 per share) on total revenues of $119,246,000 which included $26,598,000 from the sale of a portion of Avatar's Woodland Hills property, located in California. This sale was consummated during June 1990, resulting in a pre-tax gain of $24,602,000. For the comparable 1989 period Avatar reported consolidated net income of $282,000 ($.04 per share) on revenues of $116,671,000.

Operations for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 resulted in a net loss of $1,271,000 ($.17 per share) on revenues of $29,407,000. For the comparable 1989 period operations resulted in a net loss of $429,000 ($.06 per share) on revenues of $40,014,000.

AVATAR HOLDINGS INC.

Summary of selected financial data for the periods ended Sept. 30:

(Dollars in thousands except per-share amounts)

	Nine Months		Three Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues (A)	$119,246	$116,671	$29,407	$40,014
Income (loss) before income taxes	$ 20,302	$ 867	$ (1,917)	$ (555)
Provision (credit) for income taxes	7,966	585	(646)	(126)
Net income (loss)	$ 12,336	$ 282	$ (1,271)	$ (429)
Net income per common share:				
Primary				
Net income (loss)	$ 1.49	$ .04	$ (.17)	$ (.06)
Fully dilutive				
Net income (loss)	$ 1.49	$ .04	$ (.17)	$ (.06)
Total Assets	$554,504	$515,026		
Stockholders' equity	$162,804	$146,281		

(A) -- Homesite sales are recorded under the installment method of profit recognition.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Chicago Board Options Exchange today announced it will begin trading options on Medical Care International Inc. (NASDAQ: MEDC; CBOE: MEQ) beginning Thursday, Nov. 15.

Medical Care International, based in Dallas, owns and operates the nation's largest network of freestanding outpatient surgical centers. The 71 centers perform a wide variety of non-emergency surgical procedures that do not require an overnight hospital stay.

MEQ options will trade on the January expiration cycle, with introductory expirations in December, January, April and July. Initial strike prices have been set at 35, 40 and 45. Kessler Asher Securities Trading has been named Designated Primary Market Maker (DPM) in the option.

CBOE, regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, is the pioneer of listed options and the world's largest options marketplace.

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#90318p7023 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - CMI Corp. (AMEX: CMX) today announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the quarter the company incurred a net loss of $457,000 (4 cents per share) on revenues of $15,370,000. This compares to a loss of $1,850,000 (14 cents per share) on revenues of $18,617,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company has incurred a net loss of $1,223,000 (11 cents per share) on revenues of $59,946,000. This compares to a loss of $1,515,000 (13 cents per share) on revenues of $71,946,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The losses for the quarter and the nine months are due to lower volume resulting from a soft market in the construction machinery industry during 1990. Additionally, the company has operated under a reduced revenue base since the product line was decreased following the termination of the Caterpillar Manufacturing Agreement, which also included non-compete agreements ranging from two to five years. Expenses were cut in 1989 and into 1990, which accounts for the reduction in losses in 1990 on lower revenues. With an end to most of the non-compete agreements, the product line is being expanded with the introduction of several new highly productive models which should improve the revenue base.

As previously announced on Oct. 25, 1990, the company received a final order and judgment for patent infringement damages in its lawsuit against the Barber-Greene Co. in the amount of $7,294,596. The court stayed execution of the judgment until Nov. 27, 1990 and as a result the company will recognize this judgment in the fourth quarter of this year.

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PORT HURON, MI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert J. Thomson, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Southeastern Michigan Gas Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ: SMGS), stated that the company reported a net loss of $1,990,000 for the third quarter of 1990 ($.26 per share), compared to a net loss of $2,848,000 ($.38 per share) for the same period in 1989. Losses in the third quarter are normal and expected for the company's weather-sensitive business.

The improvement in earnings for the quarter is due to increased gas utility customers, increased marketing and transportation revenues, and higher rates put in place by Michigan Gas Company in July 1990.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $2,783,000 ($.37 per share) compared to $3,841,000 ($.52 per share) in 1989. The decline in net income is the result of recording a $900,000 provision in

June 1990 for possible 90/10 refund payments, discussed below, 5 percent warmer weather than the same period in 1989 and increased operating and maintenance expenses.

As noted above, the company recorded a provision of $900,000 in June 1990 for possible refund payments resulting from the 90/10 rule of Southeastern Michigan Gas Company (Southeastern). The principal amounts in dispute are $859,978; $638,779; and $542,162 for the 12 months ended Feb. 28, 1988, 1989 and 1990, respectively, plus interest accrued from each respective date at 14 percent per annum. Although there is no assurance that it can be accomplished Southeastern is continuing its efforts to settle all litigation in the case by proposing to refund the $900,000 to its customers.

The Michigan Public Service Commission order in June 1990 will have a positive effect on earnings by allowing Michigan Gas Company increased annual revenues of $3,244,000. These rates became effective in mid- 1990, therefore a full year's benefit will be realized in 1991.

The following is a summary of the results for the quarter, year-to- date and 12 months ended Sept. 30:

SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES, INC.

	1990	1989
Quarter Ended Sept. 30		
Operating revenue	$ 33,481,000	$ 25,170,000
Net income (loss) for common	(1,990,000)	(2,848,000)
Earnings per share(a)	(.26)	(.38)
Dividends per share(a)	.20	.19
Average common shares outstanding(a)	7,644,000	7,482,000
Year-to-date Ended Sept. 30		
Operating revenue	$159,839,000	$152,952,000
Net income for common	2,783,000	3,841,000
Earnings per share(a)	.37	.52
Dividends per share(a)	.58	.55
Average common shares outstanding(a)	7,605,000	7,440,000
12 Months Ended Sept. 30		
Operating revenue	$233,639,000	$219,808,000
Net income for common	6,574,000	7,161,000
Earnings per share(a)	.87	.98
Dividends per share(a)	.77	.73
Average common shares outstanding(a)	7,584,000	7,338,000

(a) -- Adjusted to give retroactive effect to 5 percent stock dividends in May 1989 and May 1990 and a 4-for-3 stock split in January 1989.

Enterprises is the parent company of six wholly owned subsidiaries:

Southeastern Michigan Gas Company (Port Huron); Battle Creek Gas Company (Battle Creek, Mich.); Michigan Gas Company (Three Rivers, Mich.); Southeastern Development Company (Port Huron); Southeastern Financial Services Inc. (Port Huron); and SEMCO Energy Services, Inc. (Port Huron).

Enterprises serves natural gas to approximately 195,000 customers in 20 counties in the lower and upper peninsulas of Michigan through its subsidiaries Southeastern Michigan Gas Company, Battle Creek Gas Company, and Michigan Gas Company.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - First Executive Corp. (NASDAQ: FEXC), a life insurance holding company, today reported net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $24.0 million or a profit of $.05 per common share. The results include a net realized loss on investments of $122.3 million. For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, the company reported net income of $53.2 million or $.47 per share.

Fred Carr, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We are pleased to report a profit for the quarter, particularly in light of the turbulent financial markets. Reflecting these difficult markets, the value of our total assets are approximately 15 percent below carrying value as of Sept. 30. And we added approximately $75 million to strengthen our securities reserves. Importantly, our strong capital position will allow us to hold our assets to maturity."

Carr added, "The statutory capital ratios of our insurance companies remain strong. For example, the ratio of capital, surplus and MSVR to policyholder liabilities for Executive Life, our largest subsidiary, was 7.3 percent on Sept. 30 as compared to 6.7 percent for the average of the top 25 life insurance companies in the United States at the end of 1989."

Alan Snyder, president and chief operating officer said, "The level of surrender activity continued to subside, and approached historical levels. For example, total surrenders during the month of September were $119 million, an 88 percent decline from the peak month of march 1990. Accordingly, in September we invested more than $600 million of our short-term portfolio into United States treasuries with maturities longer than one year. Excluding this amount, our cash and short-term investments were $1.3 billion at the end of the quarter."

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $99.9 million, or $.47 per share. The results include a provision for losses on bonds of $179

million. For the first nine months of 1989, the company had reported net income of $60.1 million or $.40 per share, including a $150 million loss on sale of subsidiary (including tax expense of $38 million) relating to the then-proposed sale of Executive Life Insurance Company of New York, and the cumulative positive effect of a change in method of accounting for income taxes of $55.8 million.

Carr added, "efforts are continuing to improve the company's capital structure including active discussions with our senior lenders, in order to ensure the long-term benefits to all our constituents."

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#90318p7037 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DARIEN, CONN. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bowater Incorporated (NYSE: BOW) today declared a quarterly dividend of $0.30 per common share payable on Jan. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 10, 1990.

The board also declared a quarterly cash dividend on the company's LIBOR Preferred Stock, Series A at a rate of 7.0258 percent per annum equal to $0.90 per share payable on Jan. 15, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 10, 1990.

Bowater Incorporated is a major manufacturer of newsprint, coated publication papers, beached kraft market pulp and a converter of communication papers for use in computers and other business applications.

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#90318p7038 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Resort Income Investors Inc. (AMEX: RII) today reported earnings for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net income for the quarter was $1,700,455, or $0.41 per share, based on 4,156,000 shares outstanding, compared to $1,311,006, or $0.32 per share, for the same period last year with the same number of shares outstanding.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $4,287,703, or $1.03 per share, compared to $5,038,281, or $1.21 per share, a year earlier.

Included in operating results for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990 is the receipt by the company of points and increased interest from the modification of the company's temporary investment. Included in the operating

results for the first nine months of 1989 was the receipt by the company of bonus interest of $578,450 in the second quarter from the early retirement of the company's Laguna Niguel loans made to an affiliated borrower.

The third quarter dividend of $0.375 per share was declared by the board of directors on Oct. 9, 1990, and is payable today to shareholders of record Oct. 22, 1990. Annual dividends of $1.50 per share are guaranteed through Oct. 31, 1991.

Christopher B. Hemmeter, chairman of the company, announced that the company's $14,750,000 demand loan to an affiliated borrower, Laguna Niguel Resort Associates, was repaid with all accrued interest on Nov. 13, 1990.

The company operates as a Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. As such, it is required to distribute to shareholders at least 95 percent of its taxable income each year to continue to qualify as a REIT.

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-30- 2055
#90318p7045 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Health-Chem Corporation (AMEX: HCH) today reported operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $9,244,000 compared to $9,535,000 in the comparable quarter last year. There was a net loss of $6,580,000, or 93 cents per share, for the quarter as opposed to a net loss of $534,000, or 8 cents per share, for the same period last year. During this period, the company reevaluated its contingent liabilities in connection with certain material pending legal matters and recorded an allowance for possible future losses in the amount of $7,356,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $30,132,000 compared to $31,863,000 for the comparable period last year. There was a net loss of $7,009,000, or 99 cents per share, compared to a loss of $478,000, or 7 cents per share, in the same period of 1989.

In releasing its quarterly results today, the company noted that the recording of $7,356,000 for additional loss contingencies placed the company in violation of certain provisions of its revolving credit facility. The lender, however, has assured the company that it does not intend to accelerate payment of amounts outstanding under the facility. If accelerated, however, there could be a default called under the company's outstanding 10-3/8 percent

convertible subordinated debentures.

The company also reported that domestic sales of its transdermal nitroglycerin patch, which had accounted for 15.8 percent of the company's sales through September, had ceased in September as a result of the Federal Drug Administration's request to Bolar Pharmaceutical Company, Inc., the exclusive domestic distributor of the product, to discontinue shipments until resolution of certain questions with the FDA. It is not presently known when shipments may be resumed.

Health-Chem Corporation manufactures and distributes patented controlled release dispensers for the pharmaceutical industry, along with industrial and health care synthetic fabrics, and dental instruments and supplies.

CONTACT: Paul R. Moeller, VP and CFO of Health-Chem, 717-764-1191.

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#90318p7048 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHESDA, MD (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Hanger Orthopedic Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: HNGR) today announced its results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales increased by 47 percent to $4,991,328 from $3,395,217 reported for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Income from operations for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased by 57 percent to $550,758 from $350,277 for the same period a year ago. As a percent of net sales, income from operations increased to 11 percent from 10 percent. Net loss for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $80,877, or $.01 per share, based on 9,218,370 weighted average common shares outstanding, as compared to a loss of $116,222, or $.01 per share, based on 9,107,258 weighted average common shares outstanding for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. The results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 included the results of operations of Scott Orthopedics, Inc. which was acquired by Hanger Orthopedic Group, Inc. in Feb. 1990 and also included non- recurring expenses of $25,000 associated with the payment of a fee for a bank waiver.

Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased to $14,024,327 from $6,767,973 recorded for the seven month period ended Sept. 30, 1989. Income from operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased from $1,028,662 from $661,469 for the seven month period ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $743,248, or $.10 per share, based on 9,201,276 weighted average common shares outstanding, compared to a loss of $422,532, or $.05 per share, based on 8,468,694 weighted average common shares outstanding for the seven month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

On Nov. 8, 1990, Hanger Orthopedic Group, Inc. completed the purchase of substantially all of the manufacturing assets of Ralph Storrs, Inc., a company engaged in the manufacture of orthotic devices and components.

Hanger Orthopedic Group, Inc. is a Delaware corporation that is engaged in providing patient care services and products to the orthotic and prosthetic segment of the rehabilitation health care industry.

HANGER ORTHOPEDIC GROUP, INC.
Statement of Operations Data
(unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended 9/30/89	For the Three Months Ended 9/30/90	For the Seven Months Ended 9/30/89	For the Nine Months Ended 9/30/90
Net sales	$3,395,217	$4,991,328	$6,767,973	$14,024,327
Gross profit	1,916,727	2,783,616	3,849,930	7,627,944
Income from operations	350,277	550,758	661,469	1,028,662
Interest expense	471,742	607,549	1,109,230	1,728,421
Net loss	116,222	80,877	422,532	743,248
Net loss per share	$.01	$.01	$.05	$.10
Weighted average common shares outstanding	9,107,258	9,218,370	8,468,694	9,201,276

CONTACT: Ronald J. Manganiello, chief executive officer, 203-966-9990, or Richard A. Stein, vice president-finance, 301-986-0701, both of Hanger Orthopedic Group

-30- 3456
#90318p7051 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumer General Inc. today announced that a preliminary agreement of understanding has been reached with ADM Tronics Unlimited, Inc. of Northvale, N.J., for Consumer General to be the exclusive marketing and distribution company for ADM Tronics' new veterinary device called the Vet Sonotron, in the United States.

The Vet Sonotron is a patented electronic device that emits a combination of low frequency audio and radio waves, used in the treatment of inflammatory conditions such as arthritis, solely in veterinary applications. ADM Tronics have obtained patents for Canada and the U.S.

Studies have been conducted by the University of Wisconsin, Madison School of Veterinary Medicine, as well as other independent parties which affirm that the Vet Sonotron has a measurable effect on the treatment of inflammatory conditions with animals.

A formal agreement between Consumer General and ADM Tronics is currently being concluded. Consumer General anticipates the completion and signing of this

agreement, within the next two weeks.

CONTACT: Alex Zukova, president of Consumer General, 416-365-0991.

-30- 1318

#90318p7056 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to inquiries USX Corp. (NYSE: X) confirmed that it has just received certain demands from Carl Icahn which Icahn has made public today.

A spokesman said the company will review Icahn's demands in due course and respond in detail at the appropriate time and in compliance with the proxy rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The company said it has no further comment at this time.

CONTACT: William E. Keslar or Don H. Herring of USX, 412-433-6870

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#90318p7061 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - TPI Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: TPIE) today reported that revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 rose to $101,310,000, comprising $60,466,000 from TPI Restaurants, Inc. and $40,844,000 from TPI Entertainment, Inc. Revenues for the 1989 third quarter amounted to $98,162,000, with $57,652,000 provided by restaurant operations and $40,510,000 derived from theatre operations. The net loss for the third quarter, after interest, a $750,000 charge for settlement of an Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ("EEOC") complaint and provision for taxes, amounted to $1,613,000, or $.07 per share, compared to the 1989 third quarter net loss of $895,000, or $.04 per share. The EEOC complaint against TPI Restaurants primarily related to events occurring prior to its acquisition by the company.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 rose approximately 14 percent above 1989 to $306,338,000, with restaurant operations accounting for $200,007,000 and theater operations providing $106,331,000. Revenues for the first nine months of 1989 amounted to $269,017,000, with $184,850,000 provided by restaurant operations and $84,167,000 derived from theater operations (acquired in February of 1989). Operating income for the first nine months of 1990 rose nearly 34 percent to $15,152,000 from the $11,319,000 reported for the same period the year before. For the first nine months of 1990 the net loss from continuing operations, after interest, settlement of the EEOC complaint, provision for taxes and minority interest amounted to $5,730,000, or $.26 per share, compared to the net loss from continuing operations of $5,288,000 or $.23 per share, for the first nine months of 1989. Including the second quarter results of discontinued operations (primarily a gain of $4,157,000 stemming from the sale of TPI Transmission Services, Inc.), the

1989 nine month net loss amounted to $1,136,000, or $.05 per share.

TPI noted that same-store sales in the company's restaurant subsidiary were up 5.7 percent for the nine month period and operating income was up about 33 percent. TPI Restaurants currently operates 167 Shoney's, 64 Captain D's and 10 other popularly priced specialty restaurants in the southeast.

TPI further noted that on Oct. 31, 1990, its wholly owned subsidiary, Maxcell Telecom Plus, Inc., completed the sale of its permit to construct a celular radio telephone system in the Tennessee 1-Lake Rural Statistical Area for $18 million in cash. Maxcell won the FCC lottery for that cellular telephone market on Oct. 18, 1989. TPI expects to recognize an after-tax gain from this transaction of approximately $.50 per share during the fourth quarter of 1990.

As of the close of the third quarter, TPI Enterprises had purchased 8,960,406 shares out of the 10 million shares authorized by the board of directors in the company's ongoing discretionary stock repurchase program, including 314,000 shares purchased in the Jan. 1-Sept. 30, 1990, period.

TPI ENTERPRISES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended	Nine months		Quarter	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue:				
Restaurant	$200,007	$184,850	$60,466	$57,652
Theater	106,331	84,167	40,844	40,510
Total	306,338	269,017	101,310	98,162
Operating income:				
Restaurant	13,769	10,317	3,516	3,538
Theater	4,866	4,276	2,901	2,914
Corporate	(3,483)	(3,274)	(1,111)	(1,069)
Total	15,152	11,319	5,306	5,383
Loss from continuing operations before taxes	(6,368)	(5,545)	(1,923)	(208)
Net loss from continuing opers.	(5,730)	(5,288)	(1,613)	(721)
Discontinued operations	--	4,152	--	(174)
Net loss	(5,730)	(1,136)	(1,613)	(895)
(Loss) income per share:				
Continuing operations	$(.26)	$(.23)	$(.07)	$(.03)
Discontinued operations	--	.18	--	(0.1)
Net loss per share	(.26)	(.05)	(.07)	(.04)
Wtd. avg. no. of shrs. outstdg.	21,862	23,108	21,857	22,937

CONTACT: Herbert Lanzet of TPI Enterprises, 212-230-2233

-30- 4815
#90318p7063 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines today reported a net loss of $252.8 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 after a gain of $212.3 million on the sale of assets and a special charge of $284.8 million as a result of a settlement with the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation with respect to the company's fixed benefit pension plans.

Before these two non-recurring items the loss amounted to $180.3 million. This compares with a year-earlier net loss of $185.2 million for the same period, after a gain of $100.3 million.

Eastern said 1990 figures are not directly comparable with year-earlier results due to a March, 1989 strike that drastically reduced the airline's level of operations during most of the year.

Operating revenues for the third quarter, 1990 were $518.3 million, with an operating loss of $141.5 million, vs. $305.7 million and $177.8 million, respectively, for the third quarter, 1989.

Eastern said its third quarter results reflect the dramatic increase in fuel prices and the overall leveling off in airline traffic. The company said fuel costs escalated rapidly during August and September, and by the end of the third quarter fuel had nearly doubled from second quarter levels.

Eastern also said it expects the complement of higher-yielding business vs. leisure passenger to improve substantially in the fourth quarter as a result of its new "corporate rate" product launched Oct. 1, which provides business travelers confirmed first class seats at full coach fares.

The airline said that although it expects continued losses for the remainder of 1990 due to the industry-wide impact of inflated fuel costs, the airline expects to become cash positive during the first quarter of 1991.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, operating revenues were $1.621 billion and the airline posted a net loss of $424.9 million, after a gain of $361.3 million on the sale of assets and after the $284.8 million charge in connection with the PBGC settlement. For the same period in 1989, operating revenues were $1.016 billion, with a net loss of $569.7 million, after gains of $377.3 million.

Operating losses for the first three quarters of 1990 were $355.3 million, vs. $631.6 million for the same period in 1989.

The airline flew 4.2 billion revenue passenger miles during the third quarter, with a load factor of 62.71 percent. For the first nine months of 1990 revenue passenger miles were 13.2 billion, with loads of 61.94 percent.

During the first nine months of 1989 Eastern flew 7.7 billion revenue passenger miles with a 62.29 percent load factor.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, 305-873-3773

-30- 2900

#90318p7067 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, N.J. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - SWITCHCO, Inc. (NASDAQ: SXCO) today announced that it had received a written offer from a third party to purchase 100 percent of the capital stock of SWITCHCO's wholly owned subsidiary, Spectrum Communications & Electronics Corp., for $6.5 million. The offer is currently being considered by the board of directors of SWITCHCO. If the board of directors of SWITCHCO accepts the offer, it will refer the offer to its shareholders. It is not anticipated that any of the proceeds of this sale would be distributed as common stock dividends.

SWITCHCO is a publicly held corporation consisting of two subsidiaries, including Spectrum, that manufacture telecommunications equipment. Graphic Scanning Corp. owns approximately 79 percent of the common stock of SWITCHCO and 100 percent of SWITCHCO's outstanding preferred stock.

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#90318p7073 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TEXAS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Prime Medical Services Inc. (Prime) (NASDAQ: PMSI) today announced results for the third quarter of 1990. For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues decreased to $3,174,000 from $3,498,000 for the same period in 1989. The net profit amounted to $393,000 or 5 cents per share, versus a net loss of $1,409,000 or 17 cents per share in 1989.

For the first nine months, Prime reported revenues of $10,173,000 versus $10,413,000 in 1989. A net loss of $258,000 or 3 cents per share compares to a loss of $2,961,000 or 35 cents per share in 1989.

The profit for the third quarter, 1990, included a non-recurring gain of $1,287,000 for the sale of the stock held by Prime in Employee Pharmaceuticals Inc., partially offset by approximately $470,000 of other non-recurring expenses related to insurance and taxes.

Prime Medical Services Inc. is engaged in providing non-medical management services to 47 cardiac rehabilitation clinics and seven imaging centers in 13 states.

CONTACT: Jackie Majors or Cheryl D'Angelo, both of Prime Medical

Services Inc., 512-328-2892

-30- 1308
#90318p7074 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Chancellor Corporation (NASDAQ: CHCR) reported revenues for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 decreased to $12.7 million and $37.1 million, respectively, as compared to $14.2 million and $43.8 million for the same periods in the prior year. Although the company reported operating income of $108,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared with operating losses of $580,000 for the same period in 1989, after reserving for portfolio losses the company recognized a net loss of $239,000 or 6 cents per share for the three months ended, and a net loss of $10.1 million or $2.67 per share for the nine months ended, Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to net losses of $199,000 or 5 cents per share, and $975,000 or 26 cents per share, for the same periods in 1989.

Stephen G. Morison, president and chief executive officer, stated that, "(d)uring this recent quarter, the company finally began to see positive results of our efforts throughout this year to reduce operating costs while we rededicate ourselves to the success of our core business of leasing transportation equipment. I am encouraged by the company's third-quarter performance and believe that, with continued progress in managing our costs and expanding our new lease origination base, the company will be very well positioned to regain and maintain profitability."

Founded in 1977, Chancellor Corporation has, in recent years, concentrated on the leasing of transportation equipment. It is also involved in the leasing of aircraft, communications, medical, agricultural and other equipment. Chancellor Corporation common stock is listed on the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASDAQ) National Market System (symbol "CHCR").

CHANCELLOR CORP.
CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS
(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$ 12,738	$14,232	$37,091	$43,844
Net loss	($239)	($199)	($10,092)	($975)
Average shares outstanding	3,776	3,767	3,776	3,765
Net loss per share	(6 cents)	(5 cents)	($2.67)	(26 cents)

CONTACT: Stephen G. Morison, president and chief executive officer, or William C. Sprong, senior VP, treasurer and chief financial officer, 617-728-8500, both of Chancellor

-30- 2673
#90318p7080 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
RALEIGH, N.C. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Acton Corporation (AMEX: ATN) Common Stock, $3.75 Cumulative Preferred Stock (AMEX: ATNPR), today announced a net loss of $6,230,808 for the three months ended September 30, 1990 or $2.59 per share (both primary and fully diluted) as compared to a net income of $958,934 or $.21 per primary share ($.15 fully diluted) for the three months ended September 30, 1989. For the nine months ended September 30, 1990 the Company reported net losses of $5,812,560 or $2.73 per share (both primary and fully diluted) compared to income of $22,635,736 or $8.14 per primary share ($5.84 fully diluted) for the first nine months of 1989. All per share computations are after consideration of the Company's preferred stock dividend requirements.

The 1990 losses were primarily the result of the general decline in real estate markets, which necessitated writedowns totalling $4,297,000 of the carrying value of real estate held for development and sale, combined with a writedown of $1,500,000 to reflect what the Company believed to be other than temporary declines in the value of its fixed maturity portfolio. There were no major sales of assets in the first nine months of 1990.

The 1989 earnings were primarily atttributable to the gain of $11,910,266 from the sale in February of the Company's cable television system located in Beaufort County, South Carolina and the $11,252,223 of gain realized from the sale of its investment in Land of Lincoln Savings and Loan in conjunction with the acquisition of Land of Lincoln by Household International.

In addition to the impact of the above mentioned writedowns, the Company's reported stockholders' equity was reduced further during the third quarter of 1990 due to declines in the market value of the equity securities portfolio totalling $7,075,243. These factors, together with the declaration of $782,792 of dividends on the Company's preferred stocks and repurchases of the Company's stocks totalling $312,184, have caused the decline of reported stockholders' equity from $47,101,546 at June 30, 1990 to $32,700,519 at September 30, 1990.

Acton Corporation is primarily engaged in specialized automobile insurance underwriitng, furniture manufacturing, real estate development and the operation of a cable television system.

CONTACT: Glenn J. Kennedy, Chief Financial Officer of Acton Corporation, 919-781-5611

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#90318p7086 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
PLAINVIEW, N.Y. (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Astrex, Inc. (AMEX: ASI) announced today its comparative earnings for the three months and six months ended Sept.

30, 1990, and Sept. 30, 1989, which are set forth in the table below.

On Sept. 18, 1990, the company announced that Ronald S. Kass, the president and a director of the company, had caused the company's wholly owned subsidiary, Progress Electronics Co., Inc. to make certain payments to various third parties for his personal expenses. Kass has acknowledged causing such payments to be made and has agreed to make prompt and full restitution to the company. With the assistance of Deloitte & Touche and other professionals, the audit committee of the board of directors is currently in the process of determining the amount of such payments. The audit committee, with that assistance, has currently determined that the amount of such payments will probably be between $150,000 to $250,000. Kass had deposited cash and marketable securities totaling approximately $150,000 into an escrow account in the name of the company in connection with his agreement to provide restitution. The audit committee has instructed the escrow agent to release the funds to the company towards restitution and to special counsel for certain legal costs relating to this matter except for $20,000 as a reserve toward certain other expenses.

ASTREX, INC.
Comparative Earnings

Periods ended	Six months		Three months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$8,316,000	$9,036,000	$3,976,000	$4,237,000
Net (loss) from opers. bef. extraord. item	(819,000)	(565,000)	(464,000)	(436,000)
Extraord. item-gain on repurch. of debentures	--	482,000	--	--
Net (loss)	(819,000)	(83,000)	(464,000)	(436,000)
(Loss) per share:				
Operations	$(.76)	$(.53)	$(.43)	$(.41)
Extraordinary item-gain	--	.45	--	--
Net (loss)	(.76)	(.08)	(.43)	(.41)
Avg. no. of com. & com. equivalent shares	1,074,000	1,074,000	1,074,000	1,074,000

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Astrex

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#90318p7093 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - MCorp today reported a net income of $510 thousand in the third quarter of 1990. Net income of $1.5 million was reported in the third quarter of 1989. MCorp's third quarter income was attributable to income from continuing operations of $1.5 million offset by a loss from discontinued operations of $1.0 million. Income from continuing operations, which reflects the operations of the combined parent companies,

was principally due to net interest income of $7.4 million and other income of $.2 million partially offset by non-interest expenses of $5.8 million. The loss from discontinued operations was primarily the result of provisions for possible loan losses at certain subsidiary banks. MCorp is currently the subject of a voluntary reorganization case under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code.

The results of operations of MCorp's former subsidiary, MVestment Corp., which was sold in February 1990, and the five remaining bank subsidiaries are reported in MCorp's financial statements as discontinued operations because management of MCorp has concluded that the sale of these subsidiaries was and is in the best interests of the creditors and stockholders of the company and will maximize the value of the subsidiaries to the estate of MCorp.

During the first quarter of 1990, MCorp completed the sale of MVestment Corp., a trust and investment subsidiary whose subsidiary, MTrust Corp, had statutory banking powers. MCorp realized a gain of $96.3 million on the transaction. Recognition of the gain on the sale of MVestment has been deferred pending completion of the sale of MCorp's remaining bank subsidiaries. The gain will be added to or netted against any gain or loss on the sale of those remaining banks.

Net interest income, the amount by which interest earned exceeds interest paid was favorably affected in the third quarter of 1990 by the non-accrual of interest on approximately $470 million of the company's unsecured debt for borrowed money in the bankruptcy cases. Non interest expenses of $5.8 million included professional fees of $1.7 million, expenses on assets held for sale of $.9 million and personnel expenses of $2.8 million, which included the termination of several employees under MCorp's bankruptcy court approved severance plan.

The income reported in the third quarter of 1989 principally reflected income from discontinued operations of $6.7 million partially offset by a loss of $5.2 million from continuing operations. The loss from continuing operations was primarily attributable to expenses incurred on assets held for sale of $3.9 million and professional fees of $3.6 million which were partially offset by $4.1 million of interest income.

CONTACT: W. Mack Goforth of MCorp, 214-939-5892

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#90318p7096 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Devon Energy Corp. (AMEX: DVN) today reported 1990 third quarter and first nine months net earnings that were markedly above year-ago levels. The company said it expects fourth quarter results to improve even more.

Net earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $757,000, up 1,065 percent from the $65,000 for the comparable 1989 quarter. On a per common share basis, the company's $0.02 profit was 200 percent better than the $0.02 loss reported for the 1989 third quarter. The difference in percentage gain for absolute versus per share earnings resulted from the payment of $343,000 more in preferred stock dividends during 1990 than in the 1989 period. Preferred stock dividends are not considered in calculating absolute earnings, but are deleted when calculating earnings per common share.

Net earnings of $1,091,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were 650 percent ahead of the $198,000 loss recorded in the comparable prior year period. On a per share basis, however, the company's loss widened to $0.08 from $0.05. Again, the difference in absolute versus per share earnings resulted from the payment of $1,746,000 in preferred stock dividends in the 1990 period, versus $239,000 in the 1989 period.

A $1,016,000 rise in total revenues was the largest contributor to the improved results for the third quarter. A 24 percent gain in gas production combined with 34 percent gain in oil prices led to the revenue increase. For the nine month period, a $3,159,000 decrease in pre-tax expenses was the primary reason for the improved results.

Total assets rose 26 percent to $123,048,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, from the $97,916,000 reported at year-end 1989. Two acquisitions totalling $14,600,000 and approximately $7,200,000 in drilling and development expenditures involving the company's coal seam gas project provided most of the increase.

Devon Energy Corp. is an independent energy company engaged primarily in oil and gas property acquisitions, exploration and production activities, and oil and natural gas remarketing. The company's common and preferred stock trade on the American Stock Exchange under the symbols DVN and DVN.Pr, respectively.

CONTACT: Marian J. Moon of Devon Energy Corp., 405-235-3611; Gary Strong or Nick Farina, 312-266-7800, or Kathy Phelan, 212-661-8030, all of the Financial Relations Board, for Devon Energy

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#90318p7099 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Dallas-based United Medicorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: UMCI), announced today that, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, expenses exceeded revenues by $2,374,173. Net revenue for the period totaled $165,735.

During the third quarter of 1990, the dollar value of medical insurance claims processed by United Medicorp increased by 167 percent when compared to the second quarter of 1990, reaching $10,448,000. The company expects that most of these claims will be collected in, and should generate fee revenue for, the

fourth quarter. The company made significant third quarter expenditures to carry out a nationwide marketing campaign which included media advertising and telemarketing. The campaign promoted both UMC's basic claims management and collection service and its backlog collection service. As a consequence of this campaign, management believes that revenues will increase during the fourth quarter of 1990.

In addition, United Medicorp devoted extensive efforts and funds towards enhancing its computer systems, claims processing, management and collection services and customer reports to better serve its clients, especially the targeted hospital market. The company intends to implement these product enhancements during the fourth quarter. During August, 1990, United Medicorp completed a public offering of its common stock which generated net proceeds to the company of $8.4 million. The proceeds have been used to pay off short-term debt, to fund the national marketing campaign, and to provide working capital to fund ongoing development of the company's computer systems and services.

Third quarter revenues were less than those of the second quarter primarily due to the completion of a substantial backlog collection contract in June. Subsequent backlog collection projects were not initiated until September, when the effects of the company's new marketing campaign began to produce positive results. According to G. Ray Miller, chairman and CEO of United Medicorp Inc., "With the completion of United Medicorp's product enhancements and the favorable results of our recent marketing efforts, the company is well-positioned to pursue its objective of profitability in early 1991."

CONTACT: Mark C. Myers of United Medicorp Inc., 214-691-2140

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#90318p7102 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. HELENA, CALIF (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - James Biggar, chairman and chief executive officer of Nestle Enterprises announced the appointment of Walter T. Klenz as president of Wine World Estates effective Nov. 13, 1990. Klenz will replace E. Michael Moone who will assume the position of president of Stouffer Foods Corp. in Solon, Ohio.

Klenz, former senior vice president of finance/operations, has been with the St. Helena-based Wine World Estates since 1976. Wine World Estates is made up of Beringer Vineyards, Chateau Souverain, Meridian Vineyards, Napa Ridge, C&B Vintage Cellars, and Los Hermanos.

The new president holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering and an M.B.A. from Tulane University, and began his career in the wine industry in 1973 with Heublein as a financial and marketing manager.

At Wine World Estates Klenz first served as marketing director for Beringer

Vineyards (1976-1978), then served as general manager of C&B Imports from 1978-1980, vice president of finance and administration through 1984 before becoming senior vice president of finance/operations in 1984.

"Walt's thorough understanding of the premium wine industry is extremely well-rounded," said Jim Biggar. "Walt was influential in the development of Beringer's reserve wine program in the '70s and its current 'First Growth' status. Since 1984 Beringer, Chateau Souverain, and Meridian Vineyards (a Santa Barbara coastal wine estate) wineries have reported directly to Walt. The high quality levels of each of these premium wineries, I feel, reflect Walt's grasp of all the details involved in producing world-class wines."

E. Michael Moone will remain on the Board of Directors for Wine World Estates (with no line function), securing his interest and love of the fine wine business. "I see Wine World's direction under Walt," said Moone, "as business as usual, but strongly feel Walt's vision and broad understanding of the wine business will greatly enhance each of Wine World's estates."

Walt Klenz is currently a member of the Board of Directors of the California Wine Institute and the Napa Valley Vintners Association. He resides in Napa, Calif.

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#90318p7105 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - LSB Industries Inc. (AMEX: LSB) today reported operating results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Third Quarter Total revenues, including interest income and sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $61,724,000 compared to $66,809,000 for the same period in 1989.

Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $748,000. In the comparable quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, the company reported a net income of $1,193,000.

After adjustment for dividends on outstanding preferred stocks of the company, net income applicable to common stock was $247,000 or 4 cents per share for the 1990 quarter compared to net income applicable to common stock of $692,000 or 9 cents per share for the 1989 quarter.

Included in the results for the third quarter of 1990 was an extraordinary gain of $942,000 resulting from the settlement of a claim against a foreign vendor.

Total revenues, including interest income and sales for the nine months ended

Sept. 30, 1990 were $192,524,000 compared to $202,451,000 for the same period in 1989.

Net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $2,403,000. The loss is attributable primarily to charges against income in the first six months for a $3,200,000 provision for estimated losses on loans and real estate and a net loss of $2,035,000 realized on the sale by the Financial Services Business of certain mortgage-backed securities. In the comparable nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, the net income was $3,960,000.

After adjustment for dividends on outstanding preferred stocks of the company, net loss applicable to common stock was $3,926,000 or 71 cents per share for the 1990 period compared to net income applicable to common stock of $2,411,000 or $.29 per share for the 1989 period.

The $3.2 million charge against the second quarter earnings was a provision for losses on loans and real estate in the company's Financial Services Business.

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DARIEN, CONN (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Exxon Chemical Co. has announced plans to significantly expand its integrated Jayflex plasticizer and oxo alcohol manufacturing capability.

Exxon Chemical is evaluating Louisiana as a potential site for new ester and oxo alcohol plants. The specific site under consideration is within the fences of Exxon's Baton Rouge petrochemical complex. The siting decision and the engineering/construction contract for both plants are expected to be finalized in the coming months. Plans call for both plants to be on-stream in 1993.

According to James P. Harris, Worldwide Intermediates Division vice president, "This is a continuation of our global strategy to expand our integrated Jayflex plasticizer, oxo alcohol, specialty products, and surfactants businesses. This global strategy includes major investments in North America, Europe and the Asia-Pacific area."

Exxon Chemical previously announced the construction of a higher olefins plant in Antwerp, Belgium and the expansion of their higher olefins plant at Fawley, U.K., which will increase Exxon's worldwide higher olefins capacity to more than 950kT/yr from six plants. The construction of a phthalic anhydride plant in Rotterdam was also recently announced. These facilities strengthen Exxon Chemical's feedstock integration for oxo alcohols and plasticizers.

In the Asia-Pacific area, Exxon Chemical Co. is engaged in detailed studies which may support the need for a worldscale alcohol plant and plasticizer manufacturing facilities there.

Exxon Chemical is a major producer and marketer of plasticizers and plasticizer grade alcohols with a worldwide Jayflex plasticizer capacity of 450kT/yr and an oxo alcohol capacity of 600kT/yr. The proposed Baton Rouge projects will increase its worldwide production base to four plasticizer plants and four oxo alcohol plants and will substantially increase linear product capabilities.

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#90318p7110 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TEXAS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - American Physicians Service Group Inc. (APS) (NASDAQ: AMPH) today announced results for the third quarter of 1990. For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased to $4,104,000 from $3,087,000 in the year-ago period. Net earnings amounted to $272,000, or 6 cents per share, versus a loss of $278,000, or 6 cents per share, in 1989.

For the first nine months, APS reported revenues of $10,219,000 versus $10,366,000 in 1989. Net income of $107,000, or 2 cents per share compares to income of $532,000, or 11 cents per share in 1989.

Ken Shifrin, APS chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "We noted last quarter that much groundwork had been done to move the company ahead in the future. Tangible evidence of that work is apparent in our insurance management and financial services businesses which improved their performances in the quarter compared to both the same quarter last year and the first and second quarters of 1990. We are also seeking opportunities to further enhance our operations through joint ventures."

APS is a financial services firm, with subsidiaries and affiliates that provide: management of medical malpractice insurance companies; third party medical and dental administration services; brokerage, financial planning and investment services to individuals and institutions; computer systems for large medical clinics and university medical schools; Hispanic yellow page directories; and management of cardiac rehabilitation and diagnostic imaging centers through its Prime Medical affiliate. Its corporate headquarters are located in Austin, Texas, with regional offices in San Antonio, Dallas and Little Rock, Ark.

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#90318p7111 11/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Southland Corp. today reported that its earnings from continuing operations before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $75.2 million and $197.5 million, respectively. Revenues for the two periods were $2.26 billion and $6.35 billion, up 1.20 percent and .91 percent, respectively.

The company reported net losses of $122.5 million and $250 million in the quarter and nine months, respectively. Results for the nine months include the recognition of an extraordinary credit of $52 million representing the tax benefit from the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards. This benefit is available as a result of the recognition of the tax gain from the sale of the company's remaining 50 percent interest in Citgo Petroleum Corp. during the first quarter.

During the third quarter and nine months, the company's 7-Eleven and other convenience stores increased average merchandise sales per comparable store month by 1.10 percent and 2.37 percent respectively. Although merchandise gross profit margins were up substantially over the same periods last year, total merchandise gross profits declined for the quarter and increased only slightly for the nine months, due to fewer stores.

On Oct. 24, 1990, Southland filed a prepackaged reorganization plan under Chapter 11 in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division. The Bankruptcy Court has scheduled a confirmation hearing for the prepackaged plan for Dec. 14, 1990.

In the meantime, the company has sufficient working capital to maintain normal business operations at its convenience stores, distribution and food centers due to a strong cash flow and a debtor in possession financing facility.

Southland is the world's largest convenience retailer, with approximately 6,750 7-Eleven and other convenience units supported by the five Southland Distribution Centers, as well as the Southland Foods Division's six food centers. In addition, area licensees and affiliates operate approximately 6,250 7-Eleven stores in the United States, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico and 19 foreign countries. Ito-Yokado Co., Ltd., and Seven-Eleven Japan Co., Ltd., own almost 4,200 of the licensed 7-Eleven stores, located in Japan and Hawaii.

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#90318u0002 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 14) UPI - Authorities in New Zealand tracked down and killed a young man suspected of killing 11 of his neighbors in New Zealand's worst mass murders. The man held police at bay until they forced him into the open with tear gas.

A Pentagon spokesman says thousands of additional reservists will beactivated, mainly to support the combat units who were ordered to duty in the Persian Gulf region last week by President Bush.

A Royal Air Force pilot was killed when his Jaguar jet crashed in the desert during a low-level training flight 100 miles south of the island nation of Bahrain. The British military said the crash occurred yesterday morning.

The countdown of the space shuttle Atlantis continued moving to a launch Thursday night on a secret military flight. However, forecasters say there is a 70 percent chance of a delay because of bad weather.

The defense attorney for the first U-S citizen facing the possibility of death under Malaysia's harsh anti-drug laws charged today that key prosecution witnesses are attempting to avoid testifying. Kerry Wiley of California was arrested last November.

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#90318u0049 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 14) UPI - President Bush met with bipartisan congressional leaders at the White House today and assured them the U-S military mission in the Persian Gulf remains defensive- NOT offensive. But Democratic leaders warned Bush he'll have to consult Congress in detail if he wants to go to war with Iraq.

In another development, 33 Democratic House members led by Representative Ronald Dellums of California are taking what is believed to be an unprecedented step. They plan to seek a federal court order to prevent Bush from taking offensive military action without asking Congress first.

British Defense Secretary Tom King says the U-S-led military buildup in the Persian Gulf should send a message to Iraq that ''time is running out'' for a peaceful settlement of the crisis. Says King- ''We aren't going to keep our troops hanging around forever doing nothing.''

The national spotlight focuses tomorrow on five senators who are accused of wielding influence on behalf of an alleged savings and loan kingpin. The Senate ethics committee begins hearings examining the activities of the the so-called Keating Five.

Senators Alan Cranston of California, Dennis DeConcini of Arizona, John Glenn of Ohio, John McCain of Arizona, and Donald Riegle of Michigan allegedly improperly exerted pressure on federal bank regulators to go easy on S-and-L

operator Charles Keating Junior.

Americans are eating more meat. A government estimate says meat consumption rates will be boosted to nearly 227 pounds a person in 1991. That's up six pounds from this year's record level, with poultry zooming in popularity while beef and pork have slipped.

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#90318u0098 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 14) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

NY Rangers	0	1	0	0-1
Philadelphia	0	1	0	0-1

First period-No scoring. Penalty- Mellanby, Phi, 6:28.

Second period-1, NY Rangers, Erixson 4 (Patrick), sh, 2:07. 2, Philadelphia, Acton 3 (Kushner, Berube), 5:30.

Penalties-Shaw, NYR, 1:07; Craven, Phi, 6:54; Vial, NYR, 10:28; Chychrun, Phi, 10:28; Berube, Phi, 10:28; Acton, Phi, 10-minute misconduct, 10:28; Janssens, NYR, major (fighting), 14:05; Mellanby, Phi, minor-major (fighting), served by Berube, 14:05; Hardy, NYR, 16:48.

Third period-No scoring.

Penalties-None.

Overtime period-No scoring.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-NY Rangers 7-11-5-0-23. Philadelphia 10-3-10-4-27.

Power-play conversions-NY Rangers 4-0. Philadelphia 2-0.

Goaltenders-NY Rangers, Vanbiesbrouck. Philadelphia, Peeters. A-17,382.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

Montreal	1	1	1-3
New Jersey	2	1	3-6

First period-1, New Jersey, Kasatonov 3 (Muller, Stastny), 8:33. 2, Montreal, Richer 10 (Savard), 9:31. 3, New Jersey, Sundstrom 5 (Morris, Fetisov), 15:45.

Penalties-Gilchrist, Mtl, 2:57; MacLean, NJ, 4:08; Odelein, Mtl, (misconduct)

9:31; Stewart, NJ, (misconduct) 9:31; Carbonneau, Mtl, 10:59; Boschman, NJ, 18:18.

Second period-4, Montreal, Courtnall 7 (Lefebvre) sh, 5:16. 5, New Jersey, Shanahan 5 (Sundstrom), 14:37.

Penalties-Richer, Mtl, 3:54; Odelein, Mtl, major, 6:18; Stewart, NJ, major, 6:18; Diduck, Mtl, 6:34; Sundstrom, NJ, 8:11; Ewen Mtl, 12:33.

Third period-6, Montreal, Pederson 2 (Ewen, Lebeau), 6:31. 7, New Jersey, Maley 3 (Conacher, Lemieux), 8:12. 8, New Jersey, MacLean 10 (Weinrich), 8:56. 9, New Jersey, Boschman 4 (MacLean) sh, 11:35.

Penalties-Muller, NJ, 10:31.

Shots on goal-Montreal 9-11-8-28. New Jersey 17-16-11-44.

Power-play conversions-Montreal 4-0. New Jersey 5-0.

Goaltenders-Montreal, Roy. New Jersey, Terreri. A-11,269.

Referee-Rob Shick.

Pittsburgh	0	2	2-4
Minnesota	0	1	0-1

First period-None.

Penalties-Stevens, Pit, 11:37; Broten, Min, 19:04.

Second period-1, Pittsburgh, Jagr 6 (Stevens, Cullen), pp, 7:04. 2, Pittsburgh Zalapski 5 (Recchi), sh, 15:37. 3, Minnesota, Bellows 7 (Smail, Broten), 16:28.

Penalties-Broten, Min, 6:40; Churla, Min, 10:10; Dahlquist, Pit, 13:43; Cullen Pit, 18:50.

Third period-4, Pittsbugh, Coffey 6 (unassisted), 7:35. 5, Pittsburgh, Gilhen 5 (Zalapski), 19:50.

Penalties-Churla, Min, 1:59; Caufield, Pit, 5:09; Stevens, Pit, 7:52.

Shots on goal-Pittsburgh 9-5-9-23. Minnesota 10-15-18-43.

Power-play conversions-Pittsburgh 4-1, Minnesota 5-0.

Goaltenders-Pittsburgh, Pietrangelo. Minnesota, Casey. A-5,429.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

Quebec	2	0	0-2
St. Louis	1	1	2-4

First period-1, Quebec, Broten 5 (unassisted), 1:27. 2, St. Louis, Hull 18 (P. Cavallini, Stevens), 7:21. 3, Quebec, Hrkac 1 (Cirella), pp, 18:45.

Penalties-Nolan, Que, 5:15; Loiselle, Que, 5:52; Brind'Amour, StL, 5:52; Morin Que, 8:42; McKegney, Que, 11:13; Courtnall, StL, 13:41; Stevens, StL, 17:33; Loiselle, Que, 19:49.

Second period-4, St. Louis, Brown 2 (Brind'Amour, G. Cavallini), 7:45.

Penalties-Dirk, StL, 8:15; Bassen, StL, 19:09.

Third period-5, St. Louis, Hull 19 (Brind'Amour, G. Cavallini), 18:14. 6, St. Louis, Sutter 2 (Bassen), 19:35.

Penalties-Sundin, Que, 0:32; Loiselle, Que, 1:30; Vincelette, Que, 9:17; Momesso, StL, 12:45.

Shots on goal-Quebec 10-6-11-27. St. Louis 11-7-16-34.

Power-play conversions-Quebec 5-1. St. Louis 7-0.

Goaltenders-Quebec, Tugnutt. St. Louis, Joseph. A-14,104.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

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#90318u0140 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 14) UPI - President Bush and bipartisan congressional leaders huddle Wednesday to discuss calls for a special session of Congress to debate mounting U- S involvement in the Persian Gulf. The White House insists a special session is UNnecessary right now... and that although the number of American troops is being doubled, the U-S is still pursuing a peaceful settlement.

A standoff continues in the salt marshes of New Zealand's South Island where a gunman armed with two high-powered rifles opened fire in a quiet retirement village. At least eight people were killed. And authorities say the gunman is holding about 150 heavily armed police officers at bay on the edge of town in Aramoana near Dunedin.

President Bush and the head of the 34-nation Economic Community say they'll ''make every effort'' to pump new life into global trade talks. The four-year-old General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade negotiations are in

danger of collapsing due to a stalemate over the sensitive question of agriculture reform.

NASA engineers are keeping an eye on threatening weather as preparations continue for Thursday's nighttime launch of the space shuttle Atlantis to put a secret spy satellite into orbit. Officials say work at the launch pad is on or ahead of schedule. Air Force meteorologists predict a 70 percent chance of rain and high winds at liftoff.

The government has gotten out of the brothel business. Internal Revenue Service auctioneers sold the 104-room Mustang Ranch... once Nevada's largest brothel... for one-pointMillion dollars in back taxes. Buyer Victor Perry, a Reno attorney, said only that he purchased the 400-acre facility for a client he declined to name.

A New York state Supreme Court justice Tuesday sentenced a Brooklyn man to four to eight years in prison for conning people into painting subway pillars without paying them. Prosecutors say 63-year-old Vincent Pannone offered to pay applicants 92-50 a day, but first asked applicants to pay 500 to one-thousand dollars as a deposit to cover insurance fees.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	5	2	.714	-
Boston	4	2	.667	1/2
Philadelphia	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Miami	2	3	.400	2
Washington	2	4	.333	2 1/2
New Jersey	1	5	.167	3 1/2

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	5	1	.833	-
Atlanta	4	2	.667	1
Detroit	4	2	.667	1
Chicago	4	3	.571	1 1/2
Cleveland	4	3	.571	1 1/2
Indiana	3	3	.500	2
Charlotte	3	4	.429	2 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Dallas	4	2	.667	-
San Antonio	3	2	.600	1/2
Houston	4	3	.571	1/2
Minnesota	3	4	.429	1 1/2
Utah	2	3	.400	1 1/2
Orlando	1	6	.143	3 1/2
Denver	0	7	.000	4 1/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	6	0	1.000	-
Phoenix	4	1	.800	1 1/2
Golden State	5	2	.714	1 1/2
Seattle	3	2	.600	2 1/2
LA Clippers	2	4	.333	4
LA Lakers	1	4	.200	4 1/2
Sacramento	0	5	.000	5 1/2

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MOSCOW (NOV. 14) UPI - A defense factory spill of a deadly cyanide compound has poisoned Latvia's main river, killing 300,000 fish and leaving one- third of the capital of Riga without water, officials said.

The chemical acetone cyanohydrin gushed from the plant in the republic of Byelorussia for 15 hours last week into the Western Dvina River in an ecologocial disaster that will have lasting effects, Janis Peters, chief of the Latvian Mission in Moscow said Tuesday. The cause of the spill was not known.

A videotape viewed by reporters at the Latvian Mission showed droves of fishleaping from the water and dying on the banks of the river in the Latvian city of Jekabpils.

''The concentration of chemicals in this region was so high that the smell of poison filled the air near the river,'' Peters said. ''People living in cities and villages along the river began to panic.''

''Residents of Jekabpils saw a terrifying picture as fish, suffocating in the poisoned water, sprang out by the hundreds onto the river bank, where they died from the disintegration of their gills,'' he said.

The Western Dvina River, called the Daugava in the Latvian language, flows northwest from Byelorussia through Latvia, where it is a main source of potable water for the Baltic republic.

The river feeds three main reservoirs in Riga, a city of nearly 1 million people. One of the reservoirs has been closed by the disaster.

Peters and other Latvian officials accused Byelorussian authorities of failing to inform them of the accident and charged the Soviet government with callousness in responding to the disaster.

Byelorussian officials say 5 tons of the chemical escaped from the Polimer defense factory in the city of Novopolotsk on Nov. 4 and 5, but Peters said that Latvian specialists believe the discharge was 10 times larger.

Latvian officials said several people who ate contaminated fish suffered food poisoning, and that the Latvian Parliament had set up an emergency commission to deal with the crisis.

Latvian health officials learned of the spill Nov. 6 when residents of Kraslava, a Latvian city near the Byelorussian border, reported that ''they were horrified to see a huge quantity of dead fish,'' Peters said.

Riga Mayor Andres Inkulis said that 70,000 kindergartners and schoolchildren are homebound because their schools do not have water.

Inkulis said the lack of potable water has also forced one-fifth of all enterprises and nearly one-third of the restaurants in the Latvian capital to shut down.

Peters said the disaster has caused $34 million in direct economic damage and as much as $510 million in indirect damage such as lost work time.

Latvian Deputy Prime Minister Arnis Kalninsh said senior Soviet officials responded with silence when he sought their help in responding to the disaster at a Nov. 9 meeting of the U.S.S.R. Council of Ministers.

Peters said that the U.S. and Swedish governments had offered to send specialists and provide humanitarian aid.

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#90318u0161 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 14) UPI - Gennady Gerasimov, the glib ''voice of glasnost'' who as Foreign Ministry spokesman gave the Soviet government a human face, has been appointed ambassador to a European nation, Tass reported.

The official news agency Tuesday said Vitaly Churkin, a close aide to Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, is slated to replace Gerasimov. The boyish looking Churkin is himself no mean master of the quick comeback.

Asked in May 1986 by a congressional panel in Washington to explain ''in layman's terms'' what went wrong in the Chernoybl disaster, Churkin shot back he would do so ''if you can explain in layman's terms what went wrong with the Shuttle Challenger.''

The delay in naming the country to which Gerasimov was being posted raised speculation whether he was being rewarded and promoted or being removed from the center stage in which he has reveled.

''There will be a change, but we don't know exactly what,'' an aide said for Gerasimov, who was not immediately available for comment.

If the English-speaking Gerasimov ends up as envoy to Great Britain, the transfer could be viewed as a promotion of sorts, but the aide could not confirm Gerasimov would be the envoy to London. Some other shift would have to be interpreted as a demotion of the droll Gerasimov.

Gerasimov has perceptibly chafed recently as Mikhail Gorbachev has chosen two relatively colorless figures, Arkady Maslenikov and Vitaly Ignatenko, as presidential press spokesman, bypassing Gerasimov, whose light-heartedness hides his intense preparation for his briefings.

Asked about Gorbachev's being awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, Gerasimov said acerbically ''Well it certainly wasn't the prize for economics.''

Similarly, Gerasimov sniffed at recent persistent rumors of a pending military coup against Gorbachev.

''If you talk about a military coup d'etat in advance, it's not much of a coup '' he said.

Whatever his diplomatic destination, Gerasimov in five years transformed Foreign Ministry briefings from exercises in stonewalling to forums of imparting information with his strict protocol requiring journalists' to announce their affiliations.

''How's that again?'' Gerasimov asked when a newcomer in the burgeoning Moscow press corps presented himself.

''Village Voice,'' came the reply.

''Welcome, Village Voice,'' Gerasimov said tiredly.

He devoted part of a recent briefing to complimenting the U.S. Defense Department's annual report, ''Soviet Military Power,'' for dropping bellicose assessments of the Kremlin, but said he was ''sending ''

Plucked from the anonymity of Soviet journalism by Gorbachev, Gerasimov shot to the limelight, and he used it to push his true passion: arms control and an end to nuclear weapons.

His briefings over five years saw the Soviet Union move from the Cold War, dating from the World War II Yalta Conference, to partnership with the United States.

Gerasimov, noting the new relationship that would be cemented at the superpower summit in Malta last December, summed up an entire era. ''From Yalta to Malta,'' he announced to reporters.

Tiring of journalists asking whether Soviet tanks would intervene under the ''Brezhnev Doctrine'' to prevent Eastern European nation defections from the Soviet fold, he said those nations were simply following ''the Sinatra Doctrine.''

''They are doing it their way,'' he shrugged.

A globetrotter in heavy demand because of his entertaining and incisive comments, Gerasimov used a recent trip to Utah to assess developments in his homeland.

''You know, there is talk of changing the name of our country,'' he began.

Noting that the Soviets had ordered cigarettes from the Phillip Morris tobacco company, Gerasimov added: ''Maybe it should be called Marlboro Country.''

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#90318u0164 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

RENO, NV (NOV. 14) UPI - Internal Revenue Service auctioneers sold the 104-room Mustang Ranch, once Nevada's largest brothel, for $1.49 million in back taxes while former owner Joe Conforte stood on the sidelines discussing plans to legalize prostitution in California.

Buyer Victor Perry, a Reno attorney who left immediately after a series of quick bids that started at $1.2 million, said only that he purchased the 400-acre facility for a client he declined to name. The IRS attempted to open bids Tuesday at $10 million, but there were no takers.

The buyer is the brother of Peter Perry, a Reno attorney who represented Conforte in bankruptcy proceedings. Peter Perry also was a principal in Mustang Ranch Inc., a corporation that unsuccessfully sought to acquire the brothel on three separate occasions through the sale of public stock. Victor Perry told reporters Tuesday that neither Conforte nor his brother, Peter, were involved in his bid.

About 1,000 people, including curious spectators and souvenir and antique buffs, crowded into the red and white striped auction tent. It was set up outside the two stucco buildings that housed the largest legal house of prostitution in Nevada until the IRS seized the property last September.

The IRS took possession of the Mustang Ranch after forcing the brothel into Chapter 7 bankruptcy through foreclosure proceedings when Conforte failed to make his $75,000 a month payment on back taxes. The tax agency initially toyed with the idea of keeping the Mustang Ranch open until it could be sold, but abandoned the plans within 48 hours.

The IRS said Conforte owned $13 million in back taxes. Conforte, who fled to Brazil ten years ago to avoid imprisonment on a tax conviction, returned to Nevada in 1983 after attorneys worked out a deal for him to serve less than two years in prison and make monthly payments on a reduced tax bill.

Conforte, who has operated bawdy houses in Nevada some 40 years, attended the auction accompanied by two bodyguards. "Of course there is nostalgia, but what can you do," said the small, cigar-chomping Conforte, who expressed displeasure with the carnival atmosphere created by the auction tent.

"You make a mistake in dealing with the IRS and they make you pay for it. All of this could have been avoided if the IRS had not been so vindictive," said Conforte. The bawdy house operator said when the IRS foreclosed he had investors willing to put $5 million in an escrow account to buy the Ranch.

Conforte said, from now on, he will spend his time between his home in Nevada and one in Danville, Calif., where he intends to launch an initiative to legalize prostitution in California.

"My aim is to get it legalized all over the United States, and starting with the biggest state in the union will get the ball rolling," said Conforte. He said state fees imposed on legalized prostitution should be used for drug rehabilitation programs.

The Mustang Ranch, located 12 miles east of Reno, is in Storey County, one of the rural counties where prostitution is legal. Prostitution is legal in Nevada by county option, except in counties with a population of 250,000 or more - which rules out Clark (Las Vegas) and Washoe (Reno) counties.

About three dozen legal brothels operate in remote, rural areas of the state. The Mustang Ranch, because of its proximity to Reno, historically drew the most customers. When operating to capacity, the Mustang Ranch employed about 85 prostitutes and a staff of 30 to 60 managers, maids, cooks, and maintenance men.

After the IRS seizure of the Mustang, the Storey County Commission rezoned the property so it can no longer be used as a brothel, although prostitution

remains legal in the county.

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#90318u0170 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 14) UPI - President Bush is being pressured to call a special session of Congress to debate the escalation of U-S military activity in the Persian Gulf. Bush says he'll meet with congressional leaders Wednesday to address their requests for the special session. Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine says the shift in the U-S military mission in the gulf warrants a congressional examination.

Louisiana Assistant Attorney General Rene Salomon says he expects the state ultimately to prevail, despite the Supreme Court's decision Tuesday in the case of mentally ill death-row inmate Michael Owen Perry. The high court vacated a ruling that would have allowed Louisiana to inject Perry with antip-sychotic medication to make him legally competent to be executed for the 1983 murder of his parents and three other family members.

The nation's Roman Catholic bishops are urging that more money be spent to combat substance abuse. Stepping into the war on drugs, the bishops Tuesday considered a proposed pastoral statement urging greater prevention and treatment for alcohol and drug abuse. The bishops took a written ballot on the drug abuse statement but did NOT announce the results before adjourning for the day. The statement skirted the issue of legalizing drugs and remained silent on the Bush administration's much-touted effort to end drug abuse through harsher enforcement methods.

Researchers at the National Cancer Institute say they hope to begin gene therapy ''within four to six weeks'' on three people suffering from a deadly type of skin cancer called melanoma. The way was cleared for the pioneering experiments Tuesday when the Food and Drug Administration approved the first attempt to use gene therapy to fight cancer. About 25-thousand Americans are stricken by melanoma annually, and once the fast-spreading cancer travels beyond the skin it is considered incurable.

Greenpeace is vowing to disrupt Wednesday's nuclear weapons test in the Nevada desert. The international environmental groups says three women have infiltrated the rugged Pahute Mesa area of the Nevada Test Site in hopes of halting the test. But a Department of Energy spokesman says security forces searched the area Tuesday without finding any trace of anti-nuclear protesters. The spokesman say an air-ground search will resume at sunrise prior to the detonation.

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#90318u0173 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 14) UPI - Former Deputy Prime Minister Sir Geoffrey Howe

delivered a scathing criticism of Margaret Thatcher, accusing the prime minister of risking the future of Britain with her ''nightmare vision'' of the implications of European unity.

Political analysts viewed Tuesday's speech as devastating for Thatcher and crucial to bolstering the prospects of Michael Heseltine, a former defense secretary who is expected to deliver a leadership challenge Wednesday.

Thatcher resists key tenets of the 12-nation European Community's moves toward political and economic union as poorly thought out and involving the ceding of too many sovereign powers. She has refused to include Britain in plans to have a single European currency by the year 2000.

Howe resigned on Nov. 1, and in keeping with parliamentary tradition, was allowed to explain on the floor without interruption his full reasons for ending his 11-year-old Cabinet career because of fundamental objections over Thatcher's stance on Europe.

The 16-minute address inspired gasps as the normally mild-mannered Howe openly questioned Thatcher, and suggested a leadership challenge was now appropriate.

''The time has come for others to consider their response to the tragic conflict of loyalty with which I myself wrestled for perhaps far too long,'' he said.

Howe disputed Thatcher's view of a united Europe being a centralized superstate, saying this was a ''nightmare image sometimes conjured up by my right honorable friend, who seems sometimes to look out from a continent that is positively teeming with ill-intentioned people, scheming, in her words, to extinguish democracy, to disolve our national identities, to lead us through a back door into a federal Europe.''

''What kind of a vision is that, for our business people who trade there each day, for our financiers who seek to make London the financial capital of Europe, for all of our young people of today?'' he asked.

He warned that the other EC nations would proceed without Britain, which risked isolation.

''The prime minister's perceived attitude towards Europe is running increasingly serious risks for the future of our nation,'' he said. ''It risks miminizing our influence and maximizing our chances of being once again shut out. We have paid heavily in the past for late starts and squandered opportunities in Europe. We dare not let that happen again.''

Howe said he and former Chancellor of the Exchequer Nigel Lawson had nearly resigned five years ago over Thatcher's refusal to join the exchange rate mechanism. Thatcher only relented in late September, linking pound sterling to

the floating basket of European currencies, but Howe said the belated entry was the cause of Britain having its current 15 percent inflation rate.

Howe also challenged Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major's plans to have a European currency gradually introduced, while national currencies remained, inferring in a cricketing analogy that Britain was destined to lose in negotiations with European countries.

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DUNEDIN, NEW ZEALAND (NOV. 14) UPI - A gunman killed 11 people and wounded three in a daylong reign of terror in a sleepy village before he was killed Wednesday by an anti-terrorist squad, ending in the worst mass slaying in the country's history.

Two children were wounded in the 23-hour rampage that ended when the squad rushed the man, fatally wounding him in the chest and head. One squad member was also wounded in the ankle, they said.

Senior Sgt. Bill O'Brien, of Dunedin police, said both were rushed to Dunedin hosptial for emergency surgery.

He identified the gunman as David Malcolm Gray, who was in his 20s and lived in the village of Aramoana, where the massacre occurred, just a few miles from Dunedin at the entrance to Otago Harbor. A domestic dispute was believed to have sparked the carnage.

The gunman played a cat and mouse game for 23 hours with a police force which rose to 140 in number, firing shots from his high powered rifle, equipped with telescopic sights, at a police helicopter and anything that moved.

The bodies of several victims lay where the fell through Tuesday night and Wednesday because gunfire made recovery impossible.

The killer moved from house to house and into sand dunes as he played a Rambo type game with his persuers, and they counted eight dead and two wounded.

Finally at 5:54 p.m. Wednesday, 22 1/2 hours after the reign of terror began, police drove the gunman from cover with tear gas and when they burst into the house were he had been holed-up found three more bodies.

They persued him to a nearby street exchanging shots and finally wounded him.

O'Brien said the dead included two young boys, one woman and eight men, one of them a police sergeant from nearby Port Chalmers which serves the area and the first police officer sent to investigate.

All the others were local residents, police said.

A four year-old boy and a nine year-old girl were wounded and were recovering after surgery in Dunedin Hospital.

The drama began around 7.30 p.m. Tuesday when a house was set alight in the South Island village, in which about 50 people, mainly retirees live.

A neighbor, Dorothy Crimp, whose husband is believed to be among the dead, said she saw the burning house and heard shots ''from all around the place.''

She said her husband had gone to help with other neighbors but were shot at and her husband had not come back.

She, along with many others spent the night and day barricaded in their homes unable to be rescued by police because they were within range of the gunman.

O'Brien said poice did not expect the death toll to rise further, but this could not be discounted until they were able to conduct a thorough search of all the houses and surrounding areas.

The previous worst mass slayings in New Zealand were during World War II, when seven people died in the Stanley Graham killings, officials said.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 14) UPI - New Japanese investment in U.S. real estate has slowed slightly this year, but will still reach between $10 billion and $13 billion this year alone, a report released Wednesday said.

''There is little truth to the notion that the Japanese are selling off a substantial portion of their U.S. real estate investments,'' said Jack Rodman, managing partner at Kenneth Leventhal & Co., a national consulting firm that produced the report.

Still, the cooling U.S. real estate market has cut back potential invstment. The firm had predicted in March that new Japanese investment would reach $13 billion to $16 billion this year.

During 1989, that figure reached $14.8 billion, off from the record level of $16.5 billion in 1988.

Analysts have also said that the decline in new investment is due in part to Japanese sensitivity to the backlash from acquisition of highly visible landmarks, such as last year's purchase of Rockefeller Center in New York.

The report also contains a sobering prediction of a sharp decline in new

investment next year, with the level expected to reach between $7 billion and $10 billion. Sophisticated Japanese investors are pulling back because pressure at home from regulators and a soft U.S. real estate market, Rodman said.

''More experienced Japanese investors have shifted to a wait-and-see attitude '' Rodman said.

Rodman said that ''trohpy'' properties are being shunned by the Japanese, with the exception of Cosmo World's purchase of the famed Pebble Beach golf resort in Northern California earlier this year.

Currently, much of the new investment is coming from first-time Japanese real estate investors. ''Many of these investors are customers of regional banks in areas outside Tokyo,'' Rodman said. ''This is a relatively untapped source of capital which is being mobilized towrad U.S. real estate.''

Wednesday's report estimated that Japanese investment had increased by $9.1 billion during the first eight months of this year, bringing total investment in this country to $66.7 billion.

That figure represents less than 2 percent of the total value of the American real estate market.

Of the 1990 investments, hotels and resorts are the most popular, with California and Hawaii the favorite markets. ''Resorts and residential golf developments located within two hours of cities with a concentration of Japanese investment are at the top of their shopping list,'' Rodman said.

At the same time, invstment in office properties has dropped sharply from 23 percent of all investments last year to just 13 percent this year.

''A continuing slowdown in U.S. office markets has made investors wary, particularly as many Japanese companies realize lower returns than expected from earlier office property investments,'' Rodman said.

The report also showed a slowdown in joint ventures between Japanese and American developers. More than 50 percent of all deals last year were joint ventures, while that figure has fallen to 28 percent this year.

''The Japanese clearly want to develop projects on their own with full control now that they are learning the ropes of working in this coutnry,'' Rodman said.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - Gerald Wilkins drives the middle, draws a double team and then fires back to Trent Tucker - lurking behind the 3-point line. The two veteran

New York guards used the play to help the Knicks remain undefeated on their West Coast trip.

Wilkins passed to Tucker, whose 3-pointer with 57 seconds left in overtime Tuesday night put the Knicks ahead for good in a 116-110 triumph over the Seattle SuperSonics.

''Gerald's a great penetrator and when he goes to the hoop and draws people, he knows where I am and he kicks it back out for the easy shot,'' said Tucker, who had 17 points, including three 3-pointers. ''I do the same for him, but I had the shot tonight and he found me.''

The Knicks improved to 3-0 on the West Coast trip. It was their first victory in Seattle since Feb. 5, 1985 - losing five straight. Wilkins added 22 points.

''This was one more piece to a good road trip,'' Knicks Coach Stu Jackson said. ''We should have won in regulation, but we made a couple of turnovers and they cashed in. But in the overtime, our guys really went after it.''

Gary Payton hit a 10-footer to put the Sonics ahead 110-109 with 1:18 left. Wilkins then found Tucker, who put the Knicks ahead, 112-110.

Two free throws by Patrick Ewing, who lead all scorers with 28 points, and a layin by Wilkins closed the scoring.

Sedale Threatt led Seattle with 24 points, while Payton had 19, Xavier McDaniel 17 and Derrick McKey 16.

The SuperSonics rallied to send the game into overtime, outscoring the Knicks 7-1 in the final 2:17 to tie the score, 104-104.

Seattle led by 10 points during much of the third quarter, including an 85-75 lead with 1:49 remaining. But the Knicks closed the gap to 87- 85 after three quarters.

''We lost that 10-point lead quickly and really put ourselves in a hole,'' Seattle Coach K.C. Jones said. ''That's a tough position to come back from. We got caught standing and that's something we have to work on.''

In other NBA games, Milwaukee routed Boston 119-91, Golden State outscored San Antonio 128-124, Houston nipped Minnesota 90-88, Orlando topped Dallas 109-103 Philadelphia defeated Indiana 108-100, Detroit blasted Miami 118-93, Cleveland beat Atlanta 121-104, Portland outgunned Denver 155-129, Charlotte downed Washington 120-105, Chicago clipped Utah 84-82 and Phoenix outlasted the Los Angeles Lakers 112-111.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Bucks 119, Celtics 91

At Milwaukee, Alvin Robertson scored his 10th career triple-double and Jack Sikma added 21 points, leading the Bucks. Robertson scored 15 points, pulled down 10 rebounds and had 11 assists. Boston's Larry Bird was held to five points.

Warriors 128, Spurs 124

At Oakland, Calif., Mitch Richmond scored 31 points and Chris Mullin keyed a surge late in the fourth quarter. Mullin hit two jumpers and stole the ball to spark a 7-0 run that gave Golden State a 123-113 lead. The Spurs had used a 12-4 run to pull within 116-113 with 3:29 left.

Rockets 90, Timberwolves 88

At Houston, David Wood scored 15 points, including a layup with 23 seconds left that gave the Rockets the lead. Houston played without leading scorer and rebounder Akeem Olajuwon, who has a sprained left ankle. Tyrone Corbin led Minnesota with 19 points and Tony Campbell had 15, 10 below his average.

Magic 109, Mavericks 103

At Orlando, Fla., Terry Catledge scored 30 points and Nick Anderson added 8 of his 18 in the final period for the Magic. Orlando, 1-6, had set an NBA mark with its 16th straight regular-season home loss Nov. 6. Dallas earlier learned Roy Tarpley is out for the season with a torn knee ligament.

Sixers 108, Pacers 100

At Indianapolis, Charles Barkley scored 23 points, 19 of them in the second half, and Philadelphia beat Indiana for the ninth straight time. Reggie Miller's 3-point play put Indiana ahead 86-85 with 7:03 remaining, but the Pacers did not score from the field over the next five minutes.

Pistons 118, Heat 93

At Auburn Hills, Mich., Isiah Thomas scored 23 points and Mark Aguirre added 20, powering Detroit. Miami committed 24 turnovers, which led to 29 Pistons' points. Detroit led 12-9 when it went on a 19-1 run that provided a 31-10 bulge.

Cavaliers 121, Hawks 104

At Atlanta, Gerald Paddio scored 22 points, while Larry Nance and Brad Daugherty added 21 each to help Cleveland win on the Hawks' homecourt for the first time after 11 losses. Mark Price added 19 points and 13 assists for the Cavaliers.

Blazers 155, Nuggets 129

At Portland, Ore., Clyde Drexler picked up the 13th triple-double of his career, helping the Trail Blazers leave Denver winless this season. Drexler scored 39 points to go with 11 rebounds and 12 assists. Portland, which raised its record to 6-0, remained the league's only undefeated team.

Hornets 120, Bullets 105

At Charlotte, N.C., Armon Gilliam scored a franchise-record 39 points to lead the Hornets. Gilliam shot 16 of 24 from the floor and 7 of 8 from the free-throw line, coming within two points of tying his career high. He also garnered 12 rebounds. Bernard King led Washington with 34 points.

Bulls 84, Jazz 82

At Salt Lake City, Michael Jordan sank a 20-foot jumper at the buzzer to lift the Chicago to its first victory in Utah in two years. With 16 seconds left, John Paxson passed to Jordan, who fought off a double team and hit the jumper to give Chicago its fourth straight victory.

Suns 112, Lakers 111

At Inglewood, Calif., Kevin Johnson collected 24 points and 14 assists and Phoenix escaped when James Worthy missed a foul shot with 1.1 seconds left. The Suns, who dealt the Lakers their earliest playoff exit since 1981 with a five-game upset in last season's West semifinals, improved to 4-1 with their first regular-season triumph at the Forum in 18 tries since April 1985.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - John Vanbiesbrouck stopped plenty of pucks and the crossbar stopped another, allowing the New York Rangers to escape with a 1-1 tie with the Philadelphia Flyers Tuesday night.

''It was a mucky battle out there,'' said Vanbiesbrouck, who had to stop four Philadelphia shots in the extra period while the Rangers failed to test Pete Peeters. ''Bring your lunch pail and shovel and go out and scoop as much snow as you can.''

The Flyers spent most of the overtime in New York's end of the ice, but Vanbiesbrouck made the saves he needed and got a break when a backhander by Pelle Eklund bounced off the crossbar.

''I didn't even see it,'' Vanbiesbrouck said. ''There was so much traffic in front and I was looking down for something low. All of a sudden, I heard a

ping. That's why God made posts.''

Vanbiesbrouck lowered his goals-against average to 2.24. For his part, Peeters had to make a couple of tough saves in the second and third periods to preserve the tie.

New York fired eight shots on net on four power-play chances in the second period, but Peeters stopped them all.

He also made the saves on a shot by Brian Leetch on a two-on-one break and a 20-footer by Mike Gartner in the third period.

''It was a good hockey game,'' said Peeters, who improved to 3-1-1 on the season and lowered his goals-against average to 2.47. ''It was Flyers-Rangers and rock 'em, sock 'em style. We had a big test against Calgary last week (an 8-2 loss) and we knew we had to come up big tonight.

''We played well at both ends of the ice and it was nice that they didn't have any shots in the overtime.''

Peeters was not expected to be much of a factor this season but he has been pressed into service because of injuries to Ron Hextall and Ken Wregget.

''Goalies get hot,'' New York Coach Roger Neilson said. ''Now he's on a hot streak. It's always good to see a veteran goaltender have a hot streak. It's just unfortunate it came against us.''

Philadelphia's Keith Acton scored his third goal of the season at 5:30 of the second period to tie the score at 1-1.

The Rangers took a 1-0 lead on a short-handed goal by Jan Erixon, his fourth goal of the season, at 2:07 of the second period.

In other games, New Jersey blasted Montreal 6-3, Pittsburgh downed Minnesota 4-1, and St. Louis beat Quebec 4-2.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Devils 6, Canadiens 3

At East Rutherford, N.J., David Maley, John MacLean and Laurie Boschman scored in a three-minute, 23-second span midway through the third period, helping New Jersey snap a three-game losing streak. With the game tied 3-3, Maley scored at 8:12, beating goalie Patrick Roy with a 25-footer.

Penguins 4, North Stars 1

At Bloomington, Minn., goalie Frank Pietrangelo made 42 saves and Jarimo Jagr,

Zarley Zalapski, Paul Coffey and Randy Gilhen scored for the Penguins, who were outshot 43-23, but won for the sixth time in their last nine games. Minnesota fell to 3-4-2 at home, where only 5,429 fans showed up.

Blues 4, Nordiques 2

At St. Louis, Brett Hull broke a third-period tie with his second goal of the game and his league-leading 19th of the season, helping the Blues hand quebec its 11th straight loss. The Blues are 11-1-1 in their last 13 games. St. Louis has also won its last nine games against Quebec, which has not won in St. Louis since Oct. 14, 1984.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

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Asheville sy	61	31	....
Atlanta mm	mm	mm	....
Baltimore sy	48	31	....
Billings mc	66	54	....
Birminghm sy	73	39	....
Bismarck cy	54	23	....
Boston sy	41	31	....
Brownsvill pc	80	65	....
Buffalo sy	36	29	....
Brlngtn Vt. pc	31	25	....
Chrlstn S.C. sy	67	55	....
Charlotte sy	66	39	....
Chicago sy	49	35	....
Cincinnati sy	51	32	....
Cleveland sy	38	23	....
Colmbs Oh sy	46	27	....
Dallas sy	79	49	....
Denver sy	73	40	....
Des Moines sy	57	41	....
Detroit sy	42	26	....
Duluth pc	36	30	....
El Paso f	73	37	....
Evansville sy	57	36	....
Fargo cy	53	39	....
Hartford sy	38	25	....
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Jacksonvill sy	73	44	....
Kansas Cty sy	75	48	....
Las Vegas w	76	48	....
Little Rock sy	75	55	....
Los Angels cy	85	58	....
Louisville sy	57	37	....
Memphis sy	75	45	....
Miami Bch pc	77	74	....
Milwaukee sy	42	36	....
Minneapols pc	49	37	....
Nashville sy	64	37	....
New Orlns sy	76	46	....
New York sy	42	33	....
Oklhm Cty sy	76	48	....
Omaha sy	61	44	....
Orlando pc	80	62	....
Philadelphi sy	47	34	....
Phoenix f	89	63	....
Pittsburgh sy	40	24	....
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Providence sy	39	28	....
Richmond sy	54	29	....
St. Louis sy	65	48	....
Slt Lk Cty mc	63	40	....
San Antoni pc	76	44	....
San Diego cy	82	56	....
San Francsc r	65	53	....
San Juan sy	89	74	.12
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Spokane cy	54	38	.08
Tampa pc	82	59	....
Washington sy	50	35	....
Wichita sy	71	46	....

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cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke

sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90318u0217 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 14) UPI - President Bush meets Wednesday with a group of bipartisan congressional leaders to discuss requests that he order a special session of Congress to debate mounting U-S involvement in the Persian Gulf.

A Colombisn cocaine cartel has claimed responsibility for two kidnappings, bringing to nine the number of people held hostage in an effort to pressure the government for an amnesty and an end of extradition.

A federal judge in Miami says deposed Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega's defense team may have to quit or agree to become lesser paid court-appointed attorneys if they doN'T find a method of payment by the end of the week.

Researchers say that states with laws requiring all motorcycle riders to use helmets have far fewer deaths from head injuries suffered in crashes than those that do NOT. In 1986, 19 states and the District of Columbia had laws requiring helmet use by motorcycle drivers.

The Food and Drug Administration has approved the first attempt to use gene therapy to fight cancer, clearing the way for the pioneering experiments to start before the end of this year.

A new study by the Environmental Protection Agency says nearly four Million Americans drink water that contains UNsafe levels of nitrates, a naturally occurring chemical frequently found in pesticide residue.

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#90318u0285 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 14) UPI - Stocks prices closed slightly lower in light trading Wednesday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which soared 1,041.87 points Tuesday, slipped 36.23 points to 23,937.44.

Trading remained slow as an estimated 350 million shares chnaged hands, down from 408 million shares Tuesday.

Declines topped advances 493 to 458 while 134 issues remained unchanged.

Analysts said stocks eased on profit taking following Tuesday's sharp advances

and uncertainty about the future direction of interest rates.

Speculation the U.S. Federal Reserve might ease its monetary policy at Tuesday's board meeting turned out unfounded, analysts said.

Market watchers said professional investors generally took a wait- and-see attitude as the Bank of Japan tightened its grip on cash by calling in loans and as oil prices continued to rise on global markets.

On the trading floor, interest rate-sensitive, large capital stocks were the targets of a small amount of selling.

Construction, steels, real estate and electrical companies eased.

Banking issues firmed following Tuesday's announcement of merger plans between Kyowa and Saitama banks, analysts said, which prompted expectations of further restructuring in the sector.

Elsewhere around the region, stocks closed higher on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as local investors pushed the key index above the 3,000 resistance level.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which gained 49.41 points Tuesday, added another 7.85 points to 3,006.82.

Local analysts said stocks pushed higher helped by the stability of Wall Street and the easing of tensions in the Middle East.

In Singapore, stock prices closed slightly lower in light trading as the decline in Tokyo helped to dampen local enthusiam.

The closely watched Straits Times Industrial Index, which rose 13.81 points Tuesday, slipped 1.88 points to 1114.82.

Analysts said profit taking combined with the rise in global oil prices pushed prices lower.

In Taipei, stocks closed broadly higher on the Taiwan Stock Exchange.

The Taiwan Weighted Index surged 111.22 points or 2.97 percent to 3, 850.27.

Local analysts said a strong rally in the financial sector helped to boost the overall market higher.

In Seoul, stocks closed slightly lower on the Korean Stock Exchange. The Korean Composite Stock Index lost 5.17 points to 704.89.

In Manila, stocks closed slightly higher on the Manila Stock Exchange. The

Manila Composite Stock Index of 25 selected issues gained 4.39 points to 614.50.

In Australia, stock prices closed slightly lower in lackluster trading the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which jumped 13.2 points Tuesday, slipped 3.6 points to 1,345.2.

Meanwhile in Wellington, stock prices closed broadly lower in moderate trading on the New Zealand Stock Exchange.

The Barclays Share-Price Index fell 16.60 points to 1,274.19.

Analysts said stocks fell as the New Zealand dollar gained against its Australian counterpart on foreign currency markets, which analysts said created a scope for local investors to take profits in the light session.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - Congressional leaders are pressuring President Bush to call a special session to debate the escalation of U-S military activity in the Persian Gulf. Bush and congressional leaders meet today to discuss the requests for the special session. Senate leaders have ordered a series of hearings into the gulf crisis.

Secretary of State Baker has enlisted Canada in the movement to use military force against Iraq if necessary. Baker flew to Bermuda yesterday for a brief meeting with Canada's Minister of External Affairs Joe Clark, who was to travel to Europe to discuss the crisis and trade issues. Baker returned to Washington late yesterday.

Vice President Quayle is in Tokyo, where he launched into a stinging rebuke of Japanese policy in the Persian Gulf. Quayle scolded Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu for private efforts to win freedom for Japanese hostages. Quayle urged Japanese authorities to send forces to the Gulf, NOT just money.

Iran's foreign minister arrived in Bagdad today for talks on bilateral relations between Iran and Iraq and the sensitive Persian Gulf situation. Tehran radio says the foreign minister made the trip UNexpectedly, two days after Iranian President Hashemi-Rafsanjani held talks with Turkish leader Turgut Ozal on the Gulf crisis.

In a ceremony lasting less than two minutes, Poland and Germany today signed a treaty that solidifies their postwar border and opens a new era of improved relations. The foreign ministers of both nations signed the document in Warsaw Poland. It recognizes the border established 45 years ago, and acknowledges

German loss of eastern territories to Poland after World War Two.

Britain's legendary broadcaster Malcolm Muggeridge died today in a nursing home, three months after suffering a stroke. He was 87. His sharp attacks on the British establishment made him a leading British journalist and social critic. Relatives say Muggeridge was a staunch defender of traditional values.

A panel of experts has told the New York Times that the death rate among people with AIDS can be cut in half by treatment with steroid hormones. But the report said after the panel made the discovery, it took the governmental agency that convened the group five months to decide to notify doctors who treat AIDS patients. A panel official said the announcement was delayed because members could not reach agreement on how to word their statement.

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#90318u0317 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - A panel of experts says steroids can cut the pneumonia death rate of AIDS sufferers in half but a government agency did not notify doctors about the treatment for five months, The New York Times said.

''It really does look like steroids will have a dramatic effect,'' said Dr. Paul Meier of the University of Chicago, a member of the panel convened by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

In the United States, about 40,000 people with acquired immune deficiency syndrome are expected to develop pneumocystis carinii pneumonia this year. Five percent to 30 percent of them - 2,000 to 12, 000 people - will develop respiratory failure and most of this number will die, according to the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

The expert panel - 16 AIDS specialists and statisticians - was convened by the allergies and infectious diseases institute last spring to decide whether steroids would be useful in the treatment of pneumonia. The panel came to the conclusion May 15, after reviewing five unpublished studies of the treatment, some of whose authors were among the panel's members.

But, a panel official said, it delayed announcing its conclusion because its members could not reach agreement on how to word their statement. Part of the reason they could not agree was that their papers had not yet been accepted at a prestigious medical journal, the paper said.

As a result, the institute did not alert doctors to the findings until Oct. 10 when it mailed letters to 2,500 practitioners on a list obtained from Fujisawa Pharmaceuticals Company of Deerfield, Ill., a concern that makes a drug used to prevent the pneumonia.

Dr. Mathilde Krim, a leading AIDS fighter and co-founder of the American

Foundation for AIDS Research, was upset by the delay.

''When the lives of people are in the balance, it is totally unethical not to release information immediately,'' she said.

The steroid finding was discovered in a Nov. 2 issue of AIDS Treatment News, a San Francisco-based semi-monthly newsletter.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (NOV. 14) UPI - The "cocaine" found in the shuttle Discovery's hangar two weeks ago turned out to be a legal chemical and not a controlled substance, NASA officials said Wednesday. "It's calcium hydrogen phosphate," said NASA spokesman Richard Young. "It is not a controlled substance."

Scott McCord, an area high school teacher, told the Florida Today newspaper the material is frequently used in high school chemistry classes and in the aerospace industry.

Whether it is used in shuttle processing was not immediately clear. But NASA managers were nonetheless relieved to learn that the Kennedy Space Center's first encounter with cocaine turned out to be a false alarm.

On Nov. 2, a small vial containing a powdery white substance was found under a desk in Orbiter Processing Facility No. 1 at Florida shuttleport where Discovery is being readied for its next flight.

Security officials initially said the substance was cocaine, touching off widespread publicity and embarrassment for NASA, which has endured a string of mishaps and setbacks in recent months at the Florida shuttleport that has raised questions about quality control.

"When the discovery was made, two field tests were done that indicated there was a cocaine content," Young said. "Based on that, we sent it to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement lab where it was tested specifically to determine if it contained a controlled substance. That report came back negative."

After the material was identified as calcium hydrogen phosphate, it was returned to the Kennedy Space Center where it underwent a NASA analysis, which confirmed the Department of Law Enforcement conclusion. "These field tests do have an accuracy problem," Young said.

NASA's investigation into the incident was carried out by a team of security officers representing the space agency, Lockheed Space Operations Co. and EG&G Florida Inc.

Lockheed is responsible for overall shuttle processing at the Kennedy Space Center under a multibillion-dollar contract while EG&G is responsible for base operations, including security services.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - Snow fell in the upper altitudes of the sodden Northwest Wednesday and more rain was expected after days of flooding that threatened drinking water supplies.

In Oregon, a strong Pacific cold front crawled over the state overnight and by Wednesday morning had moved into Idaho and Nevada, leaving behind up to two inches of rain in western Oregon. Snow fell as low as 3,000 feet in the Cascades and Siskiyous. Some partial clearing was forecast to be replaced by another band of showers across the northwest corner of the state by early evening.

In Washington, the National Weather Service said snow was falling along the western mountain slopes down to an elevation near 3,000 feet. Five inches of new snow was reported before dawn at 4,000-foot Stampede Pass in the central Cascades. Another three to four inches of snow was forecast during the day as another band of moisture swept in from the Gulf of Alaska.

In the rest of the sodden state, more rain was forecast by midday in the lower elevations. Rain also was likely to continue Thursday in the western half of the state.

State officials are warning Washington residents hit by floods of possible health problems associated with the rampaging waters. Washington Health Secretary Kristine Gebbie says standing water over well casings or soggy ground around wells may indicate drinking water is contaminated.

State health officials say those in flooded areas who use well water should boil the water for at least one minute before drinking it or place eight to 16 drops of household bleach into a gallon of water and let it stand for 30 minutes. Otherwise, well users in flooded regions should buy bottled drinking water.

Clear skies with lows in the 30s and 40s greeted Midwest residents Wednesday as a ridge of high pressure sitting over the Ohio River Valley brought in milder weather, said forecaster Don Morrison.

"It's gorgeous, that's all. There's sunny skies all over the place and going to be up near record breaking temperatures," Morrison said. "We're going to have just a great day." The warmer readings were expected to prevail through the Midwest for the rest of the week, he said.

New England was nicer, too, after recent snows and chlls. The weather service said winds have eased and skies were partly to mostly sunny with temperatures in the upper 20s in the far northern part of the region to the 40s in the south. There were some lingering snow and flurries along the Canadian border regions but the NWS said little additional accumulations are expected.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Nov. 13: Purchases of 332,039 shares and sales of 581,737 shares including 69,797 shares sold short.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen c	1pm	54	12
Amstrdm cy	1pm	53	12
Ankara c	3pm	49	09
Athens cy	2pm	61	16
Aucklnd pc	12m	60	15
Beijing pc	8pm	45	07
Beirut mm	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin cy	1pm	50	10
Bonn dzl	1pm	52	11
Brussels cy	1pm	55	13
Cairo c	2pm	82	27
Csblnc mm	12n	mm	mm
Copnhgn fy	1pm	48	09
Dakar pc	12n	80	27
Dublin cy	1pm	52	11
Genev mm	1pm	49	09
Helsinki cy	2pm	28	-01
Hng Kng pc	8pm	74	23
Jerusalem c	2pm	66	19
Karachi c	5pm	91	33
Lisbon pc	1pm	65	18
London cy	1pm	55	13
Madrid c	1pm	60	16
Malta mm	1pm	mm	mm
Manila cy	8pm	83	28
Moscow s	3pm	35	01

Nairobi cy	3pm	69	20
Nassau cy	7am	75	24
New Delhi c	6pm	79	26
Nice pc	1pm	56	13
Oslo dzl	1pm	42	05
Paris cy	1pm	54	12
Pretoria cy	2pm	37	02
Riyadh mm	3pm	mm	mm
Rome mm	1pm	mm	mm
Seoul c	9pm	59	15
Sofia c	2pm	45	07
Stckhlm dzl	1pm	44	6
Sydney cy	10pm	77	25
Taipei cy	8pm	75	24
Tokyo hz	9pm	64	17
Tunis pc	1pm	66	19
Vienna cy	1pm	46	07
Warsaw cy	1pm	39	04

Latin America

Buens Ars cy	9am	70	21
Caracas dzl	8am	69	20
Havana mm	7am	mm	mm
Lima dzl	7am	62	16
Mexic Cty hz	6am	48	08
Rio de Janr c	9am	79	26
Santiago c	8am	53	12

Canada

Calgary c		57	13
Edmonton pc		37	02
Montreal c		31	-00
Ottawa pc		32	-00
Regina cy		64	17
Toronto pc		37	02
Vancouver pc		53	11
Winnipeg cy		45	07

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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(NOV. 14) UPI - U-S lawmakers visiting Beijing say senior Chinese officials have re-affirmed support for efforts to isolate Iraq, but made no commitment on the use of armed force in the Gulf. They also ruled out any deployment of Chinese troops to the region. The five members of the House of Representatives also told reporters the officials had not linked support on the Gulf to demands that the United States ease sanctions imposed against China after its crackdown on the pro-democracy movement last year.

Economists in the Middle East say the U-N economic embargo on Iraq is causing more severe shortages, price hikes and factory closures than the Gulf war. Observers say the trade embargo has successfully prevented raw materials, machinery and spare parts from reaching Iraq, while almost completely halting the country's lucrative oil exports. One Arab banker told U-P-I that Iraq is expected to lose about 15 BILLION dollars a year in lost oil sales.

Philippine officials say 79 people are dead and 54 are missing after super Typhoon Mike devasted the central islands yesterday before moving on toward Vietnam. Almost 500-thousand people are housed in evacuation centers. President Aquino proclaimed a ''state of public calamity'' in 31 of the country's 73 provinces to allow the release of funds for relief efforts and to prevent hoarding of vital commodities.

A gunman armed with two high-powered rifles opened fire in a quiet retirement village in New Zealand last night and today, killing 11 people and wounding two children. The man held police at bay for 23 hours until a team of 140 officers rushed him and forced him out in the open. The gunman was shot twice and later died. The rampage began when a house was set on fire and the first shots were heard in the town of about 50, most of them elderly retirees.

Work is proceeding the Cape Canaveral today, leading up to a planned launch tomorow night for the space shuttle Atlantis. A gantry will be moved away from the shuttle today to clear the way for tomorrow's scheduled fueling operation. However, there is a chance that bad weather will delay the mission to carry a secret spy satellite into orbit. The shuttle crew arrived at the Kennedy Space Center yesterday.

British broadcasting legend Malcolm Muggeridge died today in a nursing home at the age of 87. He had suffered a stroke three months ago. Muggeridge gained fame for his television work but did not own a T- V set. He once said that television ''only encourages fantasy.'' Muggereidge was a journalist, an author, and during World War Two, served as a spy in Portuguese Africa, assigned to stop the plans of German and Italian efforts to sabotage British ships. He was later known as his country's leading writer and social critic.

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#90318u0421 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

MANCHESTER-BY-THE-SEA, MA (NOV. 14) UPI - Plans were being made Tuesday to salvage the wreckage of a 63-foot yacht Army Gen. George S. Patton planned to sail around the world after World War II. A mooring cable broke during a storm Saturday and 60-knot winds blew the yacht onto some rocks at Manchester-by-the-Sea.

The town's harbor master, Peter Mains, said the 51-year-old two-masted schooner, named When and If, landed on a ledge. "The port side is all bashed in," said Mains. "Everybody up here is heartbroken over it."

The vessel, built in Wiscasset, Maine, in 1939, was given to the Landmark School in Beverly and Manchester-by-the-Sea in 1973 by Patton's nephew, Frederick Ayer Jr.

Patton, whose 105th birthday was Monday, had named his schooner When and If because of his plan to sail it around the world "when and if I return from the war," Patton's nephew Neil Ayer of Beverly told The Boston Globe.

However, the famed general was killed in an auto accident in Berlin in 1945 just after the war ended. Patton had lived in nearby Hamilton for awhile before the war. Family members still live in the area. Officials said town police were watching the wreckage to keep vandals away.

The headmaster of the Landmark School, Robert Broudo of Topsfield, said the school plans to make every effort to save the 53-ton boat. He said a barge and crane would be used to lift the schooner off the rocks and take it to a shipyard in Salem. He said repairs could cost up to $250,000.

The Landmark School had used the vessel as a school at sea since 1973 for dyslexic children. The program includes a full academic year on board, with breakfast and cleaning followed by classes.

George Grimes of Hamilton, the ship's present skipper, said youngsters were aboard the vessel for an average of three or four days a week during the fall. "This is obviously very sad," he said.

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#90318u0451 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (NOV. 14) UPI - Germany's prosecutor general said Wednesday he favors amnesty for former East German spies, including legendary masterspy Markus Wolf, long known as the most successful East bloc agent ever.

Federal Prosecutor Alexander von Stahl said in an interview with German radio he did not attach ''all that much importance'' to an arrest warrant for Wolf, 67, who has disappeared.

''I am in favor of an amnesty for those who were active in the intelligence services in the GDR for the GDR (East Germany) - that is, Markus Wolf and his leading colleagues,'' von Stahl said.

Wolf, who headed East Germany's formidable foreign intelligence service until 1987, was known as the Warsaw Pact's most successful spy - depicted as ''Carla'' in several of British novelist John le Carre's espionage thrillers.

Shortly after church bells marked the unification of East and West Germany on Oct. 3, federal spycatchers knocked at Wolf's door but found he had left his East Berlin residence without leaving a forwarding address.

A few days later, von Stahl received a letter from Wolf who said he was on vacation, could be reached through his attorneys and was ''available at any time.''

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#90318u0452 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) UPI - U.S. retail sales inched 0.1 percent higher in October to $152.32 billion, the Commerce Department said Wednesday, an indication consumers are cutting back as unemployment rises and economic fear intensifies.

''Consumers are gloomy,'' said Allen Sinai, chief economist at the Boston Co. ''It's deadly for retail sales and suggests a bleak Christmas for retailers. We're now moving into the heart of the downturn.''

Not counting cars, trucks and vans, retail sales were unchanged in October. Not counting gasoline, which costs more because of the Middle East crisis, sales dipped 0.1 percent last month, a government spokesman said.

''Retail sales are sliding along with the consumer,'' Sinai said. ''The essentially unchanged results reflect a decidedly weakening at the retail level on very bad consumer fundmentals.

''Without higher gasoline prices, and seasonal adjustment factors that pushed up auto prices, retail sales would have fallen,'' he said.

October's overall 0.1 percent gain was generally in line with forecasts by private economists, and analyst Robert Dieli, at Northern Trust in Chicago, was cautiously optimistic.

''The consumers are hanging in by their fingernails,'' Dieli said. ''Things didn't go off a cliff. It was pretty soggy all around. But we could still have a reasonable Christmas.''

In September, retail sales climbed 1.3 percent nationwide following an advance of 1.6 percent in August, according to the data compiled by the department's Census Bureau.

Although the domestic economy appears to be in or near a recession, with both the consumer and manufacturing sectors showing weakness, retail sales were up 4.9 percent over October 1989.

But a market letter by Fuji Securities of Chicago said consumer confidence is at ''recessionary levels.''

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce, meanwhile, Wednesday forecast an economic downturn through the first half of next year and predicted unemployment would exceed 7 percent by the end of 1991. The October rate was 5.7 percent.

During October, sales of durable goods climbed 0.7 percent while sales of non-durable goods dropped 0.2 percent.

Sales were up 3.2 percent at gasoline service stations during October, reflecting the higher petroleum prices, and jumped 23.7 percent over October 1989, the Commerce Department said.

Last month's sales also advanced 1.6 percent at drug stores, climbed 1.5 percent at hardware and building supply stores, and rose 0.7 percent at automotive dealerships, the department said.

However, sales were off 1 percent at clothing stores, down 0.6 percent at department stores, off 0.5 percent at food stores, and down 0.3 percent at both restaurants and furniture stores.

The data are adjusted for seasonal factors.

Despite widespread fears, Dieli held up hope for the Christmas buying season, traditionally the most promising for the nation's retailers.

''The worst forecasters are retailers,'' Dieli said. ''Every year they say the world is going to end. These people, in general, tend to be pessimists. We could have enough strength left to carry us through this dull period.''

Sinai also sounded an upbeat note, saying, ''come next spring I would expect a brightening outlook and a return to the stores by consumers.''

''But it could be a very gray winter,'' he warned.

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DALLAS (NOV. 14) UPI - Cigarette smoking may hamper a smoker's ability to

feel the chest pains that may be an important early warning sign of heart disease, researchers reported Wednesday.

Researchers from the University of North Carolina School of Medicine in Chapel Hill, N.C., compared the pain response of 20 male smokers ages 19 to 44 with that of five male non-smokers in the same age range.

After 12 hours of no cigarettes or caffein, researchers placed a heat probe to the men's forearms and recorded the temperature at which each subject first felt pain and the temperature at which they could no longer tolerate the heat.

Then, the smokers were allowed to smoke three of their usual brand of cigarettes. The researchers found all smokers had higher pain thresholds and tolerance immediately after taking those puffs, while non-smokers showed no signficiant changes during the retests.

"This demonstrates that cigarette smokers do have temporary alterations in their ability to perceive pain, and I think this may explain why smokers have a higher prevalence of silent ischemia (painless heart disease)," said David Sheps, co-author of the study. Chest pains can be a warning sign that blood flow to the heart muscle is being cut off by blocked arteries and is not getting enough oxygen.

Past studies have shown that painless coronary heart disease is more common in smokers than in non-smokers. Animal research has also suggested that nicotine from cigarettes may act on the nervous sytem to decrease pain perception.

In addition to possibly masking early warning signs of heart disease, smoking is also known to directly boost the risk of having a heart attack - the nation's No. 1 killer.

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DETROIT (NOV. 14) UPI - An inventor who won a 12-year patent fight with Ford Motor Co. last July is expected to settle the case for $10.2 million, the Detroit News said Wednesday.

Robert Kearns, inventor of the intermittent windshield wiper system, was scheduled to meet Wednesday with Ford attorneys and U.S. District Judge Avern Cohn to review such an offer from the No. 2 automaker.

His son, Dennis Kearns, said his father was likely to agree to the settlement after Kearns's attorneys and a judge threatened to question his mental competence.

Last July a federal jury in Detroit ordered Ford to pay Kearns $5.1 million, plus interest, for violating his patent on windshield wipers. Interest costs,

which are still pending before the court, have pushed up the award to between $8.5 million and $11.5 million.

Kearns, 63, had said he would appeal the award. He had sought $141 million in damages and has rejected a $30 million out-of-court settlement.

But Ford attorneys said Tuesday they were willing to pay Kearns $10.2 million to avoid further litigation. The lump-sum payment would be made in three days, Ford attorney Malcolm E. Wheeler said.

The settlement would prevent Kearns or his heirs from future litigation against Ford regarding the patents. But it would not prevent Kearns from proceeding with his cases against 23 other automakers, including General Motors Corp., Chrysler Corp. and Toyota Motor Co., which he claims used the intermittment wiper system without permission.

Kearns's mental state is in question, according to court documents and letters by Cohn, partly because of the inventor's disappearance from the trial two weeks before it was settled July 13.

''I have serious reservations about Dr. Kearns' touch with reality,'' Cohn said during a May 24 hearing.

Kearns, a former Wayne State University professor who now lives in Gaithersburg, Md., was jailed in July after he failed to pay $700 in back alimony to his ex-wife, Phyllis. Kearns claimed he was short of cash because of trial costs.

But Ford attorney Wheeler said Kearns's mental state was never an issue with the automaker.

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SAO PAULO, BRAZIL (NOV. 14) UPI - The gap between rich and poor in Brazil, estimated at the largest in the world, grew substantially between 1981 and 1989, with 1 percent of the population now earning 17.3 percent of the nation's income, the government reported Wednesday.

The report also reaffirmed that the country's wealth is concentrated in the rich commercial centers of the south, such as Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro, and that the widest gap between rich and poor is in the impoverished Northeast where timber tycoons and ranchers live alongside shantytowns filled with the nation's poorest people.

The average income in the northeast is 40 percent less than that in the southeast, the report said. According to World Bank statistics, the gap between rich and poor in Brazil is the world's largest.

Eduardo Guimaraes, president of the Brizilian Institute of Geographics and Statistics, which compiled the report, said Brazilians made substantial gains in the 1980s over the 1970s, when the nation was still under military rule.

President Fernando Collor de Mello, who in March became Brazil's second civilian president since military rule ended in 1985, has vowed to cut the income gap. But government officials and most observers agree that his administration has little power to affect change at the hands of a dominant industrial machine that controls South America's largest economy.

Wednesday's report showed that the 650,000 richest people in the country, who comprise 1 percent of the population, earned 17.3 percent of the income in 1989. Five percent of the 65.8 million people over the age of 10 who were economically active in 1989 accounted for 39.4 percent of the nation's income, compared with 33.4 percent in 1981.

The poorest 10 percent of the country - 6.6 million people - earned 0.6 percent of the nation's income in 1989, compared with 0.9 percent of the 1981 income.

But the report also showed that in the years between 1981 and 1989 the nation's illiteracy rate for people 7 years of age or older dropped from 24.9 percent to 20.1 percent.

The census also showed a modest gain for working women, who now earn an average of 53.1 percent as much as their male counterparts, whereas they earned only 50.7 percent in 1981. And it showed the size of the Brazilian family decreased from an average of 4.3 people in 1981 to 3.9 people.

It also showed the standard of living increased for most Brazilians: 73 percent had running water in their homes in 1989, compared with 60 percent in 1981; 63 percent had home trash collection, compared with 49 percent in 1981; 87 percent had electricity, over 75 percent in 1981; 70 percent owned refrigerators, compared with 57 percent in 1981; and 58.4 percent owned homes in 1989, compared with 56 percent in 1981.

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VIENNA (NOV. 14) UPI - The International Atomic Energy Agency said Wednesday it has received approval to inspect Iraqi atomic power plants, a routine check that could shed light on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's nuclear ambitions.

The Vienna-based agency is barred from revealing the date of the inspection, but U.S. officials familiar with the process said an IAEA team was scheduled to visit the Osirak plant on Thursday.

''We have been informed by the Iraqi ambassador that we can go ahead with the inspection,'' said IAEA spokesman Hans Meyer.

IAEA officials will examine the bomb-damaged Osirak plant as well as nuclear fuel processing laboratories and storeage sites, Meyer said, adding that the purpose of the checkup was to ensure that radioactive materials were being ''used only for peaceful purposes.'' There was no indication that the inspection was being delayed because of the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

If Baghdad had refused to allow the inspection would have been interpreted as a sign that Iraqi leader Saddam was moving ahead with an alleged campaign to build nuclear weapons, one U.S. official said earlier this week.

The Osirak plant, which contains Iraq's sole nuclear reactor, was destroyed in an Israeli bombing raid in 1981. In the wreckage of the reactor building are fuel rods containing about 25 pounds of enriched uranium, enough for one small nuclear weapon.

One of the duties of the IAEA inspectors who visit the site twice a year is to make sure that the fuel rods are still there.

Under international regulations the results of the inspection will be presented to the host country but can be released publicly only if the host approves.

The last routine IAEA inspection of the Iraqi reactor and nuclear research facilities in April turned up no evidence of irregularities.

Despite Iraqi denials, several intelligence experts have concluded that Saddam is intent on developing nuclear weapons as well as ballistic missiles that could accurately deliver them.

A recent publication by the Carnegie Endowment for Peace, ''Nuclear Ambitions '' cited a ''growing consensus, based on strong circumstantial evidence, that the hidden objective in Iraq's expansion of its nuclear sector in the 1970s was the gradual acquisition of a nuclear weapons capability.

''The capability was presumably intended to advance three primary objectives: to counter Israel's existing but unacknowledged nuclear arsenal, to advance President Saddam Hussein's claim to Arab leadership and to hedge against Iran's nuclear potential.''

In the closing days of its 8-year war with Iran, Iraq set back the Iranian nuclear project indefinitely by repeatedly bombing the main Iranian nuclear research and power-generating installations.

#90318u0503 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) UPI - The U.S. Chamber of Commerce's latest economic forecast called Wednesday for a deeper recession than initially expected, lasting through the first half of 1991 and pushing the unemployment rate above seven percent by the end of next year.

The chamber, which has been extremely pessimistic about the American economy and high interest rates intended to hold inflation in check, had expected a recovery by the end of the first quarter of the new year.

Richard Rahn, the organization's chief economist, warned a downturn would harm overseas economies and threaten U.S. exports, which are expected to be an island of strength in a recession as the cheaper dollar makes American goods more attractive.

"Our increased pessimism results from the imposition of higher taxes, more regulation on the economy and an acceleration of federal spending that will crowd out private investment and keep interest rates from falling," Rahn said.

"While short-term interest rates will decline slightly due to economic weakness, long-term rates will not decline substantially until the (Federal Reserve) adopts a credible and understandable long-term anti-inflation policy and Congress reduces tax impediments to savings," Rahn said.

Rahn also noted that the United States started the last decade with weak economic growth, surging inflation, higher taxes, and more federal spending and regulation.

"Empirical evidence shows that the large proportion of (the nation's total output of goods and services) devoted to federal spending today - 23.2 percent up a full percentage point since 1980 - will keep real interest rates high," he said.

The increase in government spending and the high interest rates on Treasury bills, notes and bonds are expected to push the federal budget deficit to the $300 billion range during the new fiscal year, Rahn added. That expectation is shared by a number of other economists.

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#90318u0504 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
EASTON, PA (NOV. 14) UPI - A new study has confirmed what many women have known for years - it's not socially advantageous to eat large meals in public. Researchers from Lafayette College in Easton, Pa., say that when all other things are equal, women with large appetites are not highly regarded by their peers.

In the study, a student actress was filmed eating four different meals chosen

by students who rated the menus from "very feminine" to "very masculine," said Susan Basow, associate professor of psychology at Lafayette.

"A moderately attractive, average weight female college student was hired to perform in the video," said Basow. "The lunch was scripted and the student was trained to keep gestures and expressions in all four conditions."

The student ate a "feminine" meal of a small tossed salad with diet Italian dressing and a glass of seltzer; a larger "feminine" lunch of a large Greek salad and diet soda; a "masculine" meal of half a meatball parmesan sandwich on a hoagie roll, six mozzarella sticks and a large soda; and a "man's" meal of a large meatball parmesan sandwich, cheese sticks, soda, large fries and chocolate cake.

Student volunteers who viewed one of the four meals rated the woman as being significantly more feminine and having more social appeal when eating the small meal. But when the same woman was seen eating the large hoagie, she was considered less socially appealing and as less physically attractive than the eaters of the other meals.

"The pressure on women is incredible," said Basow. "An 'unfeminine' woman is not going to be well liked, even by other women. To appear feminine, therefore she must be constantly on guard, even when she is engaged in the most ordinary of daily rituals - such as eating."

"The effects of the meal appeared to be strongest on social appeal," said Basow, "which supports previous research that women eat small meals in order to appear socially desirable."

Basow said the fact that the woman is seen eating alone strengthens the results, because she may have been rated even more negatively or positively if she had been eating with another person, particularly a male.

"This enhanced social appeal of a woman who eats 'lightly' ... may explain why women manipulate their eating behavior in the presence of others, especially others they want to impress," said Basow. Basow said the research could help researchers understand and treat eating disorders.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Agnico-Eagle Mines (3rd Q 9-30)	
$17,480,000	$8,749,000

d-$2,554,000 d-$172,000
d-Deficit.

BMJ Financial (3rd Q 9-30)
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d-$1,086,000 $1,905,000 (.47)
d-Deficit.

Canada Malting (3rd Q 9-30)
$101,165,000 $83,441,000
a-$10,093,000 (.82) $4,183,000 (.45)
a-Includes gains of $1,150,000 from foreign exchange and $6,183,000 from sale of real estate assets.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Canandaigua Wine Co (4th Q 8-31)
$45,093,113 $42,968,948
$1,113,265 (.26) $605,673 (.14)

Consumers Financial Cp (3rd Q 9-30)
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$17,021,000 (.09) $1,062,000 (.29)

Durham Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$4,316,000 $51,000
$8,459,100 (.51) $8,444,000 (.01)

Eastex Energy Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$26,094,000 $33,010,000
d-$190,000 d-$347,000
d-Deficit.

Grt Amer Mgmt & Inv (Year 7-31)
$2,092,300,000 a-$1,334,000,000
b-$47,600,000 (4.29) $2,200,000 (.06)
a-Restated to reflect discontinued operations.
b-Includes $6,900,000 tax-loss carryforward.

Longs Drug Store (3rd Q 10-25)
$556,743,000 $509,852,000
$11,964,000 (.59) $12,709,000 (.62)

Mobile Telecommunications (3rd Q 9-30)
$17,140,369 $9,222,277
d-$5,534,579 d-$4,076,411
d-Deficit.

Nymagic Inc (3rd Q 9-30)

$4,876,183 $5,244,568
$8,814,487 (.55) $8,798,484 (.60)

Orbit Instrument (1st Q 9-30)
$15,329,000 $15,063,000
$523,000 (.06) $367,000 (.04)

Rouse Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$130,630,000 $122,466,000
$707,000 1,525,000 (.02)

Sanmark-Stardust Inc (1st Q 9-30)
$38,322,000 $36,270,000
$1,244,000 (.08) $1,093,000 (.07)

Sceptre Resources (3rd Q 9-30)
$59,200,000 $45,600,000
d-$1,300,000 d-$21,200,000
d-Deficit.

Thermadyne Holdings (3rd Q 9-30)
$114,100,000 $113,300,000
d-$11,100,000 d-$10,500,000
d-Deficit.

Todd Shipyards (2nd Q 9-30)
$50,536,000 $48,848,000
$13,294,000 (2.96) d-$2,459,000
d-Deficit.

Trans World Air (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,341,896,000 $1,267,770,000
ad-$14,671,000 d-$29,886,000
ad-Deficit, after extraordinary gain of $9, 267,000 from repurchase of long-term debt.
d-Deficit.

Transcapital Fincl (3rd Q 9-30)
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d-$24,143,000 d-$2,201,000
d-Deficit.

Turner Broadcasting (3rd Q 9-30)
$415,767,000 $269,329,000
$1,348,000 (.07) a-$35,193,000 (.10)
a-Includes a $38,800,000 non-recurring gain from tax settlement.

United Financial (3rd Q 9-30)

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d-$199,887 $801,018 (.79)
d-Deficit.

Washington REIT (3rd Q 9-30)
....
$4,234,206 (.27) $3,848,761 (.25)

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#90318u0532 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 14) UPI - President Bush meets with congressional leaders this morning amid pressure that he call a special session of Congress to debate the U-S mission in the Persian Gulf. Senate leaders already plan hearings on the Gulf crisis. The administration's recent announcement that it will send another 100-thousand combat troops to the region has prompted fears the United States-led international force may be preparing to go on the offensive.

Retail sales were up one-tenth of one percent last month, but the figures from the Commerce Department are NOT what they seem to be at first glance. Much of the increase in spending can be traced to higher gasoline prices because of the Mideast crisis. Take those sales out of the overall reading and it suddenly drops to a negative one-tenth of one percent. Clothing stores reported sales down one percent, department store sales were down six-tenths of one percent.

A challenge to British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. Former Defense Secretary Michael Heseltine say he'll run against Thatcher for the post of Conservative Party leader. If he wins, be would become prime minister. Haseltine is urging closer ties between Britain and the European Committee and says he has the support of more than 100 Conservative Party members in Parliament. Thatcher's popularilty has been falling in recent polls.

Police in Berlin have arrested at least 110 people in pitched battles with youths who tried to stop authorities from evicting squatters from buildings in east Berlin. The youths dug trenches, set up barricades and threw gasoline bombs at officers. The evictions follow other battles on Monday night in which more than 100 police were injured.

A state of emergency is in effect in the Philippines after powerful Typhoon Mike pounded the Pacific island nation with torrential rains and winds reaching 150 miles an hour. The death toll stands at 79 and is expected to rise. Nearly one-half-Million people are in evacuation centers and many may NOT have much to return home to. President Corazon Aquino issued a ''state of public calamity'' in 31 of the Philippines 73 provinces.

Security is tight at the Nevada Test Site today as authorities search for a group of anti-nuclear protesters. Members of the environmental group

Greenpeace say three woman hiked into the rugged Pahute Mesa yesterday in hopes to halting a scheduled underground atomic explosion. An Energy Department spokesman says security forces checked Area 19 yesterday but didN'T find a trace of the demonstrators. An air- ground search is continuing this morning.

Vice President Quayle has taken his Japanese hosts to task on their Persian Gulf policy. Quayle represented the United States at Monday's elevation of Emperor Akihito and he met today with Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu. The vice president later told reporters that while he praised Japan for making a four-BILLION-dollar contribution to the U-S-led multi-national force, he also pressed Kaifu to send personnel instead of just money. Quayle chided Tokyo for NOT living up to its responsibilities as an economic super-power.

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PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (NOV. 14) UPI - Czechoslovak student leaders have expressed dismay that they will need tickets to attend a speech by President Bush on November 17, the first anniversary of the ''velvet revolution.''

But the students say they will come anyway and carry banners supporting Bush's policy on the Persian Gulf crisis.

''We will go with banners showing our full support for Mr. Bush's Persian Gulf policy because democracy and freedom for Kuwait is what is at stake now. We don't plan empty platitudes or another May Day celebration,'' said student leader Jan A. Dus, refering to the annual Communist Party tradition of parades of workers and long speeches by politicians.

Nonetheless, the students say requiring tickets violates the spirit of the revolution they are commemorating.

Bush will speak in Wenceslaus Square, a broad plaza in the heart of Prague, where last year hundreds of thousands of Czechoslovaks gathered to protest Communist Party rule.

The week of demonstrations there brought together students, workers, intellectuals and bureaucrats, all fed up with 42 years of totalitarianism, and persuaded the country's aging communist leadership to yield power.

''We have a deep respect for President Bush,'' Dus, of the Charles University Faculty of Philosophy, wrote in an open letter to several Prague newspapers.

''But we feel uncomfortable meeting him in Wenceslaus Square with an admission ticket in our hands. Demonstrations were important in November and December and we did not need admission tickets then,'' Dus said.

The letter said the students feel November 17 is ''a day of grim determination with which the students and all decent people undertook and are still waging a struggle against violence and injustice.''

An editor at the student newspaper Studenske Listy told United Press International on Wednesday authorities gave the paper 25,000 tickets for students but that only 5,000 students had requested them.

The students also object to a planned foot race to follow the route they took last November 17 from the Albertov student hostel towards Wenceslaus Square on grounds it violates the somber spirit of the day.

Arriving at Narodni Street, the students were set upon by riot police and anti-terrorist comamndoes. More than 100 were taken to hospital and the violence sparked the Wenceslaus Square demonstrations, leading to the peaceful overthrow three weeks later.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - The judge overseeing the Eastern Airlines bankruptcy proceedings was scheduled Wednesday to hear arguments from unsecured creditors who want the airline liquidated immediately.

The unsecured creditors Tuesday urged Judge Burton Lifland to deny the release of any more funds from the bankrupt carrier's escrow account, money the airline has said it needs to keep operating.

The creditors' committee called for a "prompt and orderly liquidation of the airline," saying that Eastern's losses had far exceeded projections by the airline's court-appointed trustee, Martin Shugrue.

"The trustee's projections have repeatedly been erroneous," the creditors' motion said. "It's time for the committee's judgment to be given deference. Eastern is not, and is not likely to become under any realistic scenario, a viable stand-alone airline." The creditors said losses for June through October totaled $370.8 million, whereas Shugrue had projected $197.1 million.

Shugrue last week asked for another $30 million this month and $40 million in mid-December from the escrow fund, which was set up from asset sales including Latin American routes and the northeast shuttle. He said Eastern was making gains in winning back business travelers but that the airline needed more money to keep operating. There is $257 million for unsecured creditors remaining in the escrow fund.

The unsecured creditors, which include The Boeing Co., Airbus Industrie, United Technologies Corp., General Electric Corp., and Citicorp, called for the liquidation despite being warned by Shugrue they might not be paid any of

the money they are owed, since simply liquidating the carrier could cost between $500 million and $600 million.

The committee said it would file a liquidation plan and would move to begin a liquidation. It added that Shugrue's turnaround plan had been stymied by an unanticipated rise in jet fuel prices. Eastern has been operating under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection since March 9, 1989.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 14) UPI - Baker Hughes Inc. Wednesday reported a fourth-quarter net income of $48.5 million, or 35 cents a share, compared with $36.2 million, or 29 cents a share, for the same period last year.

Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30 were $722.8 million compared with revenues of $604.2 million. For the full fiscal year, revenues were $2.61 billion compared with $2.3 billion for 1989.

Net income for fiscal 1990 was $142.2 million, or $1.06 a share, compared with $85 million, or 66 cents a share, for 1989.

''Our improved oil field results were impacted by higher U.S. drilling activity,'' said J.D. Woods, Baker Hughes president. ''During the year several acquisitions and dispositions were accomplished with the objective of strengthening our core business.

''These acquisitions and dispositions added net increases to our profits,'' Woods said. ''In addition, our process technology business had a significantly improved year and added to our results as well.''

Baker Hughes is a major provider of products and services to the oil, gas and process industries.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 76.50-80.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 121.63-123.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 40.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary

(secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $210.00-$240.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $419.00-$425.00; dealer- approx., $420.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 295.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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#90318u0591 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (NOV. 14) UPI - Attorneys representing Gulf Oil Co. employees talked Wednesday with opposing attorneys about a possible settlement in a $700 million class-action lawsuit over pension benefits.

The former Gulf employees claim they were denied pension benefits after Gulf Oil, then based in Pittsburgh, merged with Chevron Corp. - known at the time as Standard Oil Co. of California, or Socal - in 1984. The lawsuit was filed on behalf of 40,000 employees, retirees and family members.

U.S. District Judge Sim Lake ordered an interruption to the trial last week after nearly four weeks of highly complex testimony. He called for the settlement conference in hopes of resolving the dispute.

Plaintiffs' attorney H. Lee Godfrey and Chevron attorney Robert J. Maliniak were to discuss possible settlements.

Lake also ordered Kenneth T. Derr, Chevron chief executive officer, to appear ''to ensure the presence of a corporate representative with authority to speak definitively for the corporation and to commit the corporation to a particular position in this litigation.''

Former Gulf employees allege surplus money in the Gulf plan was improperly mixed in with Chevron plan funds when San Francisco-based Chevron merged the two plans into one in 1988.

They also claimed many Gulf employees who lost jobs in the merger shakeout were unjustly denied pension benefits.

Chevron denies it has used any merged pension funds for other corporate purposes, and that an ongoing pension plan cannot have excess assets. If no settlement is reached, the trial will resume Monday.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Honeywell Inc	Q	.75	12-17	11-30
Stock Split				
Honeywell Inc - 2-for-1				
Usual				
Briggs & Stratton	Q	.40	1-2	11-30
Colonial Gas Co	Q	.44	12-14	11-30
Comdisco Inc	Q	.07	12-10	11-23
Durham Corp	Q	.23	12-11	11-27
Household Intl	Q	.55	1-15	12-31
Trans Fincl Bncp	Q	.15	12-14	12-3

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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#90318u0609 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 14) UPI - Civil-rights activists and lawyers called Wednesday for the resignation of Defense Minister Magnus Malan following the report of a judicial inquiry that found a covert military unit acted illegally against South African citizens.

''It is hard to decide whether Gen. Malan's assertion (Tuesday) that he and

his senior colleagues were unaware of the (unit's) actions is simply a blatant lie or whether it merely indicates the awesome extent of their incompetence,'' the anti-apartheid End Conscription Campaign said.

''The general should go immediately,'' an ECC spokesman said.

''The real problem here is a profound disregard for the democratic principle of accountability,'' University of Cape Town law professor Denis Davis said. ''It is traditionally abused in this country.''

Defense spokesman for the liberal Democratic Party, Gen. Bob Rogers, said, ''In this case it would appear once again that while individuals down the line have been named, no responsibility is apportioned to their supporters at the highest level.'' He said Malan should step down.

The state-appointed inquiry into police and army death squads found no firm evidence of security-force involvement in the killing of anti- apartheid activists after hearing testimony in South Africa and abroad from March to August and making its report public Tuesday.

But the one-person judicial commission of Justice Louis Harms said the army's secret and Civil Cooperation Bureau ''conspired to commit crimes'' that included attacks on the premises of anti-government groups and may have included plotting killings.

Harms said the CCB's actions and the evasiveness of its operatives before the commission ''contaminated'' the country's security arm and ''creates suspicions that they have been involved in ... crimes of violence.''

He passed on to prosecutors for investigation one unsolved killing, the bombing of a black school and media center and plans to kill two anti-apartheid lawyers and one journalist - crimes committed since 1986 and said to be linked to the CCB.

Harms said the inquiry ordered by President Frederik de Klerk on Jan. 31 did not include examining the role of politicians and declined to make a finding on the hawkish Malan's possible involvement.

But human-rights lobbies insisted Harms should have made a link between Malan, as ultimate head of the SouthAfrican Defense Force, and the shadowy CCB. Army officers described it as an ''anti-terrorist'' unit.

Malan consistently denied knowledge of illegal CCB activities and disbanded it in June in the face of widespread public pressure and news reports of perceived CCB abuses.

''In spite of the barrage of criticism to which the SADF and I have been subjected over the past months ... I am satisfied that the SADF as such has

... emerged with honor,'' Malansaid Tuesday in response to the Harms findings and following an appeal from de Klerk that the report end the matter and people not conduct ''witch-hunts'' for culprits.

But Rogers, a retired air force general, said if Malan was not aware of the CCB's activities it showed ''a woeful lack of control over activities which could affect the security of the state.''

A lawyer for the independent Human Rights Commission said the report ''has run true to form in discrediting both the value of government- appointed commissions and the independence of the judiciary.''

De Klerk appointed the commission to investigate death-squad allegations following revelations in October 1989 by former security policemen who claimed to have murdred anti-apartheid activists.

Charges that the army ran the CCB to terrorize anti-government groups arose soon afterwards and Harms' brief was to investigate 71 aparently politically motivated killings since 1977.

He found no evidence of police death squads, saying the evidence of the three former policemen was ''unreliable'' and ''self-seving.''

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#90318u0611 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 14) UPI - Former Defense Secretary Michael Heseltine said Wednesday he will challenge Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher for the leadership of the Conservative Party, bringing to a head the political infighting that has caused the party's deepest division in 15 years.

Heseltine's bid to move into Downing Street had been widely expected amid an escalating public split within the government over Thatcher's policy on Europe which former Deputy Prime Minister Sir Geoffrey Howe called a ''nightmare vision.''

Heseltine, 57, said in a television interview that more than 100 members of the Conservative Party had urged him to challenge Thatcher for the vote to be held next Tuesday.

''I have a better chance now than Mrs. Thatcher of leading the Conservative Party into a fourth electoral victory and avoiding the ultimate calamity of a Labor government,'' he said.

Analysts said if Heseltine can get at least 120 votes, with some 40 abstentions, he would seriously undermine Thatcher's leadership mantle. There are 372 Conservative members of Parliament, and Thatcher must get at least 15 percent more than the majority, or 214 votes, to win. Otherwise a second vote

will follow one week later in which other contenders may stand.

Heseltine said if he won, he would have an "immediate and fundamental review'' of the Thatcher government's poll tax, a flat fee levied on every taxpayer regardless of income that has been widely criticized as inequitable.

The poll tax, coupled with a high inflation rate, an economic downturn and what is perceived as Thatcher's imperious leadership style are seen as the main cause of the Conservatives current 16-20 point lag in opinion polls behind the main opposition Labor Party.

Voter disillusionment with the governing party has been reflected in a string of by-election defeats, even in traditional Conservative strongholds, fueling concern among junior members about their prospects in elections that must be called by mid-1991.

Heseltine's announcement prompted many members to publicly take sides, with several senior Cabinet members pledging their loyalty to Thatcher.

''We expect her to win, we hope she will win, we hope she will remain leader of the Conservative Party. ... That would certainly be the best outcome,'' said Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major, who seconded Thatcher as a candidate for the contest.

Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd nominated Thatcher, and is now the subject of speculation that he could forward himself as a compromise candidate agreeable to both factions of the party in second-round voting if the first is inconclusive. He did not rule out the option.

''At the moment I took the basic decision last week to nominate the prime minister for her continued leadership, and I will stick by that,'' he said in an interview with the British Broadcasting Corp. ''She is a major actor on the world stage of great importance. I think that she has to decide these things.''

Other Conservatives openly endorsed Heseltine.

''She has brought this upon herself, and perhaps to go now with what grace is left is perhaps better for all of us than prolonging the agony, '' said Peter Temple Morris.

There was no immediate comment from Thatcher. The BBC quoted Downing Street sources as saying she was prepared to fight through to a second round.

Heseltine resigned in 1986 as defense secretary in a bitter dispute with Thatcher over her demands that the military buy British-made Westland helicopters, against his recommendation that the arms deal be open to competitive bidding, particularly from European competitors.

The current division among the Conservatives, regarded as its deepest since Thatcher ousted Edward Heath as party leader in 1975, has been spawned by the internal debate over Thatcher's staunch resistance to key tenets of the 12-nation European Community's moves toward political and economic union.

She believes the EC's strategy is poorly thought out and involves ceding too many sovereign powers to EC bureaucrats in Brussels, and has refused to include Britain in plans to have a single European currency by the year 2000.

Many party members say her views are outdated and risk leaving Britain i solated and left out of the expected prosperity of the unified market.

On Tuesday, in a speech before Parliament outlining why he resigned on Nov. 8, Howe disputed Thatcher's view of a united Europe being a centralized superstate, saying this was a ''nightmare image'' of a Europe ''positively teeming with ill-intentioned people, scheming, in her words, to extinguish democracy, to disolve our national identities.''

''What kind of a vision is that, for our business people who trade there each day, for our financiers who seek to make London the financial capital of Europe, for all of our young people of today?'' Howe asked.

Heseltine told the BBC after his leadership challenge announcement that Howe's speech meant these ''fundamental issues should be resolved.''

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (NOV. 14) UPI - The European Community Executive Commission proposed Wednesday to forgive nearly $4 billion in debt owed by 68 developing countries.

The proposal, which must be approved by the EC Council of Ministers, would apply only to money owed the 12-nation trade bloc and not to that owed individual countries or firms.

The debt-forgiveness plan applies to the ''ACP countries'' of Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific, with which the EC has a trade and economic-development agreement under the Lome Convention.

The nearly $4 billion involved includes $1.95 billion in loans committed but not yet provided.

''We felt the EC should take steps regarding Third World debt to demonstrate that we take a very broad view of world problems,'' said Manuel Marin, the EC commissioner for overseas development.

He said the program was ''particularly aimed at African countries that are

making economic reforms and taking efforts to rebuild their economies and social fabrics.''

Many developing countries are unable to pay their staggering debts because prices for copper, coffee, cocoa and other of their exports have fallen sharply.

Marin said there is no sign of quick recovery in commodity prices so ''this proposal holds out some hope for these countries.''

The proposal is likely to be considered next month by EC foreign ministers.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Alliant TechSyst (3rd Q 9-30)	
$212,175,000	$255,355,000
d-$6,554,000	$6,747,000
d-Deficit.	
Ameriscribe Corp (3rd Q 9-30)	
$22,391,000	$20,438,000
$476,000 (.15)	$366,000 (.16)
B M A Corp (3rd Q 9-30)	
$21,394,000	$25,597,000
$5,473,000 (.58)	$9,588,000 (.99)
Fst Amer Fncl (3rd Q 9-30)	
$185,949,000	$176,984,000
$1,377,000 (.14)	a-$5,324,000 (.53)
a-Restated to reflect a 100 PC stock dividend in November 1989.	
Fst Essex Bancorp (3rd Q 9-30)	
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d-$11,098,000	$999,000 (.16)
d-Deficit.	
Great Amer Bank (3rd Q 9-30)	
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d-$34,012,000	d-$65,590,000
d-Deficit.	

Intl Telecharge (3rd Q 9-30)
$59,900,000 $77,900,000
d-$2,500,000 $835,000 (.05)
d-Deficit.

Leucadia Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
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$11,676,000 (.96) $11,813,000 (.89)

N H I Nelson Hldgs (3rd Q 9-30)
$18,407,000 $30,295,000
d-$5,162,000 $3,831,000 (.69)
d-Deficit.

Novo Nordish (3rd Q 9-30)
$339,600,000 $293,600,000
$32,300,000 (1.02) $33,400,000 (1.05)

P C L Indus (3rd Q 9-30)
c-$22,596,000 c-$27,596,000
$14,000 $1,468,000 (.21)
c-Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Penn Enterprises (3rd Q 9-30)
$22,147,000 $20,995,000
d-$2,995,000 d-$1,779,000
d-Deficit.

Rax Restaurants (4th Q 9-30)
$28,025,000 $29,977,000
a-d-$15,755,000 d-$6,383,000
a-Includes $12.7 million charge associated with closing and anticipated sale of 34 Florida restaurants and the repossesion, closing and anticipated sale of 10 Louisiana restaurants.

Telecom Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$13,253,000 $13,046,000
d-$297,000 $3,699,000 (.02)
d-Deficit. Includes $397,000 write-down of a real estate asset.

Tiffany & Co (3rd Q 10-31)
$113,232,000 $95,116,000
$9,052,000 (.58) $7,509,000 (.48)

Toys R Us (3rd Q 10-28)
$1,052,607,000 $916,189,000
$28,725,000 (.10) $28,690,000 (.10)

Woolworth Corp (3rd Q 10-27)
$2,469,000,000 $2,165,000,000
$80,000,000 (.62) $70,000,000 (.54)

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 14) UPI - Zviad Gamsakhurdia, a former dissident whose nationalist party swept Georgia's elections, was elected president Wednesday of the southern Soviet republic.

Gamsakhurdia was chosen on the first ballot by the Georgian parliament, which is now controlled by his ''Round Table-Free Georgia'' party.

The official Soviet news agency Tass did not give figures for the vote, but the Round Table, which swept the Communist Party from power last month in parliamentary elections, holds 155 of the legislature's 250 seats.

Shortly before Gamsakhurdia's election, the Communist government of Georgia resigned, and nationalists raised Georgia's crimson, black and white flag of independence atop the government building in the ancient capital of Tbilisi.

Only 11 years ago, Gamsakhurdia, founder of the Georgian branch of the Helsinki Rights Watch Group, was sentenced to five years in prison for anti-Soviet agitation. In one of his lowest moments, a broken Gamsakhurdia confessed the crimes during a court hearing shortly before going to prison.

After his release from jail, the fiercely nationalistic Gamsakhurdia, 50, steadily built the coalition that swept him to power and ousted the Communists in the first free elections in Georgia in seven decades.

Gamsakhurdia is one of the radical and colorful presidents in some of the Soviet Unions 15 republics who have come forward under perestroika reforms.

Vytautas Landsbergis, a sardonic former music professor, now leads Lithuania.

Levon Ter-Petrosyan, who founded the movement to reunite the Azerbaijani territory of Nagorno-Karabakh with Armenia, became a national hero and then head of the Transcaucasian republic that borders Georgia.

After his party came to power last month, Gamsakhurdia vowed that he would work to regain the sovereignty that Georgia briefly enjoyed from 1918 to 1921 when it was the toast of Europe as a flourishing socialist state.

In 1921, under an order by Josef Stalin, a Georgian who was to become the Soviet leader, the republic was invaded by the Red Army and annexed by the Soviet Union.

Georgia, which became a Christian state in the sixth century, is one of the most fiercely nationalistic of the Soviet republics, rivaling even the Baltic peoples' attachement to their republics of Lithuania, Estonia and Latvia.

Gamsakhurdia, a former teacher of English and son of a writer famous in Georgia, did not spell out any timetable for regaining independence.

But one of his first decisions will be whether to sign the new union treaty that Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev is promoting to allow republics wide political and economic freedom to keep them in a reconstituted Soviet Union.

Georgia, on the Black Sea, was one of the earliest Christian nations. Georgian among the world's most ancient languages, is so beloved by Georgians that they took to the streets in 1978 when a Soviet decree threatened to make Russian the republic's official tongue.

Another famous Georgian, Eduard Shevardnadze, the Communist leader in Georgia who was to become the Soviet foreign minister, helped restore calm in that crisis, and the Kremlin eventually relented on the language issue.

Georgian economists believe that the republic of 5.3 million people can prosper on its own. The republic is an agricultural region rich in citrus fruits and tobacco, and is home to a metallurgical industry built up during the Soviet era.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - About a dozen men with baseball bats and sticks stopped a New York Daily News delivery truck early Wednesday and beat the driver and an assistant in the fifth strike-related act of violence this week. The driver was not seriously injured but the assistant was taken to Maimonides Hospital with a possible broken arm, police said.

As the bitter strike at the paper went into its 21st day, national union leaders planned to put their muscle behind striking News workers at an

afternoon rally Wednesday outside the newspaper's Manhattan headquarters.

Lane Kirkland, president of the National AFL-CIO, and at least a half dozen leaders of other national unions, including those representing workers in the auto, steel, garment, textile, health care and service industries, were to join pickets.

The Brooklyn attack occurred at 5:30 a.m. when a gang of about 12 men stopped a News delivery truck, police said. The mob flattened the vehicle's front tires, broke the windows and headlights and attacked the driver and his assistant, police said. News spokeswoman Lisa Robinson said the two workers were recently hired and the assistant was giving a description of his attackers to police.

Tuesday, a replacement driver needed stitches in his head after being attacked and dozens of men armed with baseball bats broke the windows of a bus in the parking lot of a Westbury hotel that was waiting to take replacement workers to the News's printing plant in Garden City, police said.

On Monday, a shot was fired at but missed a News driver and early Sunday, a replacement worker leaving the paper's downtown Brooklyn plant was attacked by several men who broke his arm, police said. No arrests have been made in any of this week's incidents.

Management has blamed union members for repeated acts of violence, while strikers have claimed security guards hired by the News have harassed and threatened them.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - Some members of Congress are calling for open debate on U-S policy in the Persian Gulf. This comes as troop strength in the region passes defensive levels triggering fears of war. President Bush is meeting with leaders from both parties at the White House this morning to discuss the issue.

Iraq will let a delegation from the International Atomic Energy Agency inspect nuclear facilities within the country, including its only nuclear reactor. It was damaged in a 1981 Israeli air raid and the inspection may yield clues as to how close Iraq is to developing nuclear weapons.

Durable goods sales were up seven-tenths of one percent last month, but sales of NON-durable goods fell by two-tenths of one percent. And that left overall retail sales up just one-tenth of one percent when all is said and done. The figures would have been neutral if automobile sales are NOT counted.

Philippine authorities report 86 people died and 91 are missing after super Typhoon Mike pounded the nation yesterday. The storm is the latest in a series

of disasters for the Philippines this year. The list includes a drought, monsoon floods and an earthquake that claimed 16-hundred lives.

The ship is ready, the crew is ready, and hopefully the weather will cooperate for tomorrow night's secret military launch of the space shuttle Atlantis. Air Force meterologists have revised the forecast for a 60 percent chance of acceptable weather, but there's still a chance of high crosswinds.

The Houston Chronicle reports total damages to more than 21-hundred people suffering from asbestos-related illness could reach one-BILLION dollars. A federal judge has issued instructions to juries to use established formulas to figure damage awards that were combined in a class action suit.

Most of the plantiffs were exposed to asbestos while working in southeast Texas refineries and petrochemical plants. Many suffer from various diseases, including cancer. Last spring, several major corporations were found guilty of gross negligence and two later trials set a formula for determining damages.

Researchers at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine say lighting up a cigarette may hamper a smoker's ability to feel chest pains and short-circuit an early warning sign of heart disease. The researchers compared the chest pain of 20 male cigarette smokers with that on NON-smokers.

Residents of the flooded Northwest are bracing for more rain, but it's Indian Summer in the Great Plains and Midwest. In Washington state, snow fell as low as the three-thousand-foot level in the central Cascade mountains. Parts of Oregon, Idaho and Nevada got up to two inches of rain.

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OMAHA (NOV. 14) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 600; slaughter steers and heifers mostly 50 cents higher, some 75 cents higher compared to Tuesday, demand excellent; slaughter cows 1.00 to 2.00 higher; slaughter bulls not well tested; slaughter steers choice No 2-4 1150-1350 lb 80.00-81.00, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 78.50-80.00; slaughter heifers choice No 2-4 975-1150 lb 80.00-81.00, select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 78.00-79.50; cows high cutter, utility, commercial No 2-4 breaking few 48.25-50.50, boning 44.00-51.75; low to average cutter 38.00-45.00.

Hogs 2,300; butchers 50 cents to 1.00 higher, No 1-3 220-260 lb 51.50-52.00, No 2-3 260-280 lb 50.50-51.50; sows 25 percent, 1.00 to 2.00 higher, No 1-3 350-500 lb 44.00, some 420-500 lb 44.50-45.00, No 2-3 500-650 lb 50.00-50.50, around 600 lb to 51.00.

Sheep 100; all classes steady, shorn slaughter lambs, choice and prime 120-130

lb No 1-2 pelts 47.00-48.00; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb 45.00- 46.00, in the case of both wooled and shorn weights outside these ranges discounted; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 14) UPI - Visa International and Sprint International said Wednesday they would introduce VisaPhone, a worldwide service allowing non-U.S. Visa cardholders to use their cards to pay for long- distance calls.

Cardholders could use their current Visa cards to pay for long- distance calls within and from the United States.

Under an agreement signed Wednesday, all Visa member financial institutions outside the United States could offer the service in the first quarter of 1991.

Visa launched the VisaPhone service in the United States earlier this year. It is marketed domestically by Citibank, Security Pacific, Bank of America, Wells Fargo, and other major financial institutions.

''VisaPhone now gives our members outside the United States the ability to tap an enormous market that is growing a a rate of 15 percent annually,'' said Jean-Jacques Desbons, executive vice prsident for product market and development at Visa International. ''Not only can VisaPhone build volume among existing cardholders, but it is a value- added enhancement, which banks can use to attract new cardholders.''

With VisaPhone, cardholders dial a toll-free number, then choose to dial directly or through a Sprint operator. Operator assistance is available in Japanese, Spanish, or French as well as English.

At first, VisaPhone cardholders could use VisaPhone to place long distance calls when traveling in the United States. The system would be expanded as Visa develops agreements with telecommunications carriers around the world, Visa said.

Visa, with 240 million cards in circulation, is the world's largest consumer card payment program.

Sprint International is a unit of US Sprint of Kansas City, Mo. Sprint is the long-distance arm of United Telecommunications Inc.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices

based on a gold base price of $383.90 silver base of $4.21 and platinum price of $416.10:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$399.70	399.50
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	205.10	205.00
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.30	105.30
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.50	43.50
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	399.70	399.50
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	205.10	205.00
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.80	106.80
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.50	43.50
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	406.10	405.90
China Panda .50 troy oz.	209.30	209.10
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.50	108.50
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.90	46.80
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.00	28.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	399.80	399.60
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	204.30	204.20
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.20	103.20
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.40	44.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	398.80	398.10
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	206.20	206.10
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.80	105.80
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	45.00
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	398.20	398.00
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	204.70	204.60
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.80	87.80
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.50	45.40
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.20	24.10
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.62	$5.64
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,260	$3,270
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,375
Platinum		
Australian Koala	431.00	434.00
Isle of Man Noble	429.00	431.00
Canada Maple Leaf	439.00	442.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - More than 700 workers at three Army depots in Pennsylvania who had faced layoff or demotion have been spared the ax, thanks to Operation Desert Shield.

The deployment to the Persian Gulf has led the Army to delay the layoff or reassignment of 187 workers at Letterkenny Army Depot, 300 at Tobyhanna Army Depot and 250 at New Cumberland Army Depot.

The three depots were among a number of Army installations across the country targeted for civilian workforce reductions because of planned defense budget cuts. The cuts were planned before the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the resulting U.S. buildup in the region.

All three depots were reducing their workforces through attrition and retirements, but still some workers faced layoffs until the troops were shipped out to the desert.

"As a result of work that we were doing on Desert Shield, we were authorized to keep the 187 positions that would have been separated in a reduction in force," said Letterkenny spokeswoman Linda Dura.

"It is a very ambiguous situation," Tobyhanna spokesman Kevin Toolin said of the reason the workers are being kept on the job. "We were spared laying people off because of it (Operation Desert Shield). This is why we exist - to support the Army."

Keith Beebe of the New Cumberland Army Depot said his facility, which has been running around the clock, actually needs about 95 workers but has not been authorized to fill the positions. The vacancies came about because the depot was authorized to keep 345 workers but only 250 of those who would have been affected by the layoff remained.

"Our workload's ever increasing," Beebe said. New Cumberland has been shipping spare parts for tanks, helicopters and other equipment to Army units in Saudi Arabia.

Tobyhanna and Letterkenny are working additional hours, but have been less busy because their missions center on repair and maintenance of communications equipment and vehicles.

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#90318u0758 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 14) UPI - In the absence of any supportive news from the Persian Gulf, crude oil prices resumed their downward trend in early trading Wednesday after

an industry report showed crude stocks rose for the second consecutive week.

The American benchmark West Texas Intermediate for December delivery had fallen 62 cents by midday to $32.50 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

''In the absence of anything out of the Gulf, the market is focusing on (supply-demand) fundamentals,'' said Nauman Barakat, vice president of Merrill Lynch Futures Inc. in New York.

WTI had lost $3.66, or 10.3 percent of its value, Friday and Monday on sentiment a Middle East war had been delayed until at least next year. It staged a $1.25 a-barrel technical rebound Tuesday.

Barakat noted the American Petroleum Institute late Tuesday in its weekly inventory survey reported crude supplies rose last week for the second straight week.

They had fallen for seven consecutive weeks when Middle East imports temporarily dried up after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Saudi Arabia and other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries have recently made up for all but a small portion of the 4.3 million barrels of oil lost daily from the U.N. embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports.

''The WTI market is slipping and will continue to slip,'' Barakat said. He noted Monday is the final day for trading WTI December contracts on the Merc.

Prices could plunge in the last days of trading because of the surplus of crude on world markets, the trader said.

''With so much crude available, the feeling is that there will be a significant amount of downward pressure on the December contract,'' Barakat said.

Apparently following the API report of a decline in U.S. heating oil and gasoline supplies last week, the prices of these two commodities was displaying strength relative to the crude on the Merc.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 14) UPI - While continuing to slow, new Japanese investment in U.S. real estate will still reach between $10 billion and $13 billion this year, a report released Wednesday said.

But next year may see a marked drop in such investments, according to the report prepared by the national consulting firm Kenneth Leventhal & Co.

''There is little truth to the notion that the Japanese are selling off a substantial portion of their U.S. real estate investments,'' said Jack Rodman, managing partner at Leventhal.

Still, the cooling U.S. real estate market has cut back on potential investment from Japan. The firm had predicted in March that new Japanese investments would reach $13 billion to $16 billion this year.

During 1989, these investments reached $14.8 billion, off from the record level of $16.5 billion achieved in 1988.

Analysts have said the decline in new investment is also due in part to Japanese sensitivity to the backlash from acquisitions they have made of highly visible U.S. landmarks, such as last year's purchase of Rockefeller Center in New York.

The Leventhal report also contains a sobering prediction of a sharp decline in Japan's new investments next year - to between $7 billion and $10 billion.

Sophisticated Japanese investors are pulling back because pressure at home from regulators and a soft U.S. real estate market, Rodman explained. ''More experienced Japanese investors have shifted to a wait- and-see attitude,'' he said.

Rodman said that ''trophy'' properties are being shunned by the Japanese, with the exception of Cosmo World's purchase of the famed Pebble Beach golf resort in Northern California earlier this year. Analysts have estimated the deal, which included four golf courses and two hotels, was worth between $800 million and $1 billion.

Currently, much of the new investment is coming from first-time Japanese real estate investors, many of whom ''are customers of regional banks in areas outside Tokyo,'' Rodman said. ''This is a relatively untapped source of capital which is being mobilized toward U.S. real estate.''

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) UPI - Unfurling the banner of "choice," the nation's Roman Catholic bishops said Wednesday they will launch a multi-million dollar campaign to aid Catholic schools, including an increased lobbying effort to win approval for government funding of religious schools.

"This is the last civil rights struggle," said Bishop Edward Eagan, Bridgeport Conn., of the campaign to win tax support for parochial schools and parents who send their children to such schools. Eagan said he was "outraged" that "all tax money goes to (public) schools where religion is not taught."

The bishop made his comments as the 300 prelates gathered for the annual fall meeting of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and its social policy action arm, the U.S. Catholic Conference, debated a statement in support of the church's elementary and secondary school system.

There are some 1,350 Catholic high schools with 630,000 students and 7,500 elementary parochial schools with nearly two million students in the Catholic education system.

But church officials said costs have increased 500 percent in the last 20 years, over twice the Consumer Price Index, and the number of potential Catholic students has sharply declined, putting the schools - especially in inner city urban parishes - under heavy financial pressure.

The new statement seeks to commit the bishops to ensuring that Catholic schools continue to provide a high quality education, that Catholic parents who wish will be able to send their children to Catholic schools and that "those parents receive sufficient financial assistance from both private and public sectors to exercise this right."

"Recognizing that Catholic schools are a significant part of American education, we call on all Americans to join with us in supporting federal and state legislative efforts to provide financial assistance to all parents which will ensure that they can afford to choose the type of schooling they desire for their children," the statement said.

At the heart of the effort is a $2 million program for a national office that will direct parents and schools in a lobbying effort to win federal aid for parochial schools.

"Recognizing the long-term nature of convincing the nation that parents should have not only a choice in selecting educational opportunities for their children but also financial support to exercise that choice, we are taking immediate steps to accomplish this end," the statement said.

But reflecting the mood of the public at large, which seeks services but appears reluctant to pay the taxes for them, the bishops said they would seek the $2 million "seed" money from outside the conference and rejected efforts to increase the assessment on dioceses to pay for the public education and lobbying campaign on behalf of choice.

A number of states have developed versions of the "choice" option but the choices are generally limited to freely transferring between public schools.

A "choice" plan more like what the bishops have in mind in that it would allow students to attend private schools, in Milwaukee, Wis., was ruled unconstitutional on technical grounds on Tuesday.

Most "choice" proposals seek to emulate the capitalist free market, with supporters contending that if all schools have to compete for students - and the vouchers provided by the government - the good schools would prosper and the bad ones fold.

In most urban areas, students at Catholic schools score consistently higher on most academic achievement tests than do their public school counterparts. In other actions, the bishops voted, without dissent, to take up a special collection to aid Catholic churches in Eastern and Central Europe.

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EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 14) UPI - British Defense Secretary Tom King watched the famed ''Desert Rats'' armored brigade conduct maneuvers Wednesday and later warned that there is little time left for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

''There are 30 nations involved in this exercise. We're not going to sit around forever,'' King told reporters. ''The warning is quite clear, and it would be a very foolish man indeed who thought that we were bluffing.''

The British defense secretary's remarks came on the final day of a two-day visit to Saudi Arabia. He talked Tuesday with Saudi King Fahd and also met with Prince Sultan, the second deputy premier and defense minister, to discuss the crisis sparked by the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

After watching the 7th Armored Brigade, known as the ''Desert Rats,'' conduct maneuvers against U.S. Marines posing as Iraqi forces, King said the purpose of his visit was to determine what else the United Kingdom could do to bolster the multinational force.

He said Britain initially sent aircraft to assist in the defense of Saudi Arabia and later dispatched ships to help enforce the U.N. embargo against Iraq. The 7th Armored Brigade was sent because of a shortage of main battle tanks, he said.

''Now I'm looking to see where else we can help and fit in the most effective way,'' King said.

He and other military officials denied that Britain had sent only a token force to the region. One official said Army Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, the commander of U.S. forces, had ''made it crystal clear to me that our contribution is vital to him and to any plans he has, and it's not just a blissful gesture.''

King also expressed satisfaction with command and control arrangements for

British forces in the event of hostilities. And he said the military buildup should send a message to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that ''time is running out'' for a peaceful settlement of the conflict.

''There is not a specific time limit, but there's not limitless time, '' he added. ''We aren't going to keep our troops hanging around forever doing nothing. ... (Saddam) had better make a pretty early decision or he will have to take responsibility for the consequences.''

''The objective is to see Resolution 660 of the United Nations achieved, which is to end the aggression and the occupation of Kuwait, to see the departure of Iraqi forces and to see the restoration of the legitimate government of Kuwait '' King said.

''We want that to happen by peaceful means, we don't want to see conflict. But the warning is quite clear ... if he doesn't leave peacefully then there is a military option here,'' he added. ''Anybody who's had a chance to look at 7th Brigade's work up here knows that we're not bluffing.''

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(NOV. 14) UPI - Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak and Iraqi and Soviet envoys shuttled around Arab capitals Wednesday to discuss a call for an Arab summit on the Persian Gulf crisis, while President Bush met congressional leaders amid mounting pleas for a special session to debate growing U.S. involvement in the standoff.

In Washington, Senate leaders ordered hearings into the gulf crisis, which is drawing rising public opposition to the possibility of war.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine said the shift in the U.S. military mission from defensive to possibly offensive warranted Congressional approval, but the White House insisted a special session is unnecessary at this point and any talk of a declaration of war is premature.

In the Middle East, pro-Kuwaiti states such as Saudi Arabia said a new summit as proposed by Morroco's King Hassan II could only succeed if Iraq recognized resolutions passed at an Arab gathering in Cairo on Aug. 10, eight days after Iraq invaded Kuwait.

The Cairo summit sanctioned the dispatch of Arab troops from Egypt, Syria and Morocco to the gulf to deter further Iraqi aggression.

Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al Faisal told reporters in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, that Iraq should accept resolutions calling on it to withdraw from Kuwait and restore exiled Kuwaiti Emir Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah to power before a new summit could be considered.

''Only if Iraq accepts the resolutions of the Cairo summit can the summit called by King Hassan of Morrocco be fruitful and positive,'' Saud was quoted as saying.

Despite recent indications Iraq is willing to sacrifice for the sake of peace, Baghdad said it will only attend a summit if it can have a say in the agenda and that the order sanctioning the dispatch of Arab troops to the gulf is rescinded.

Mubarak last month rejected a Soviet call for a new summit, arguing that if there was no specific agenda it might evolve into a shouting match between pro-Iraqi and pro-Kuwaiti delegates.

Egypt has not officially responded to Hassan's summit call and only three members of the Arab League - the Palestine Liberation Organization, Jordan and Mauritania - have accepted.

Many Arab League members believe an Arab summit that does not call for an Iraqi troop withdrawal from Kuwait would play into Baghdad's hands by allowing Saddam to buy more time.

Mubarak arrived in the Syrian capital Damascus after talks in Sirte with Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi, Cairo Radio said, and later met Syrian President Hafez Assad in Damascus.

Iraqi First Deputy Premier Tahar Yassin Radamadan said Wednesday after talks in Rabat with Hassan that Baghdad wants a summit to cancel the resolutions approved in Cairo that approved the sending of Arab troops to Saudi Arabia, Baghdad Radio said.

A second Iraqi envoy, Second Deputy Premier Saadoun Hammadi, held talks Wednesday with Tunisian President Ben Ali but the content of their talks was not disclosed, the Tunis Afrique Presse Agency said.

Hammadi flew to Tunisia from Libya, where he talked to Gadhafi, and was also scheduled to visit Algeria.

As the Iraqi envoys held talks with Arab leaders, Saddam issued a presidential decree appointing a prominent member of the ruling Baath party as governor of what was described as the Iraqi province of Kuwait, Baghdad Radio said. The radio said Aziz Saleh would reain his job as a member of the Baath party secretariat.

Two Soviet envoys arrived in the Middle East, Cairo Radio reported, on missions to achieve a peaceful settlement of the standoff.

On the first leg of his tour, Alexander Belonogov, a former Soviet ambassador

to Egypt and now a deputy foreign minister, was in the Yemeni capital Sanaa. Vladimir Petrovsky, another Soviet deputy foreign minister, arrived late Tuesday in Rabat for talks with Hassan. Petrovsky was also to visit Libya, Algeria and Tunisia.

Iraq's gulf war foe Iran also joined the flurry of diplomatic activity, with Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati in Baghdad to discuss bilateral relations and the crisis. Tehran is concerned that war is imminent.

On the hostage front, the Voice of America broadcast a message to U.S. nationals still held in Iraq and Kuwait that a special plane will leave Kuwait and Baghdad on Sunday.

The message asked U.S. nationals, including those of Arab origin, to get in touch with U.S. missions in Baghdad and Kuwait for further details.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) UPI - In the wake of a scandal involving the generic drug industry, the Food and Drug Administration Wednesday announced steps aimed at ensuring the validity of quality-control testing.

The agency said it was immediately requiring all laboratories that test generic drugs to make sure they are equivalent to brand name drugs to keep samples of all drugs they test for five years so the FDA can check the tests.

Manufacturers of generic drugs must compare their drugs to brand-name drugs to get FDA approval to sell their products. The tests can be conducted by the companies themselves or by outside laboratories.

''The requirement is one of the changes being made because of findings last year and this year that several generic drug firms submitted false information to the agency, in apparent efforts to ensure or speed approvals to market prescription generic drugs,'' the FDA said.

''In some of these cases, generic drug companies substituted the brand name drug for their own in bioequivalence tests. This meant the tests were comparing the brand-name product to itself, instead of the product to be approved, so that the tests were meaningless and fraudulent,'' it said.

The new policy ''would be a deterrent against this and other frauds, such as switching lot numbers or altering sample identifications,'' the FDA said.

In addition, ''the retained samples can be used as evidence in investigations into wrongdoing,'' the FDA said.

After discovering the false tests, the FDA analyzed more than 3,000 samples of

drugs on the market and inspections at 36 firms that make generic drugs, the agency said.

In addition, the FDA is now checking the validity of about 1,500 additional product samples involved in past studies, the FDA said.

''As a result of the analyses and various corrective actions, FDA officials believe that generic drugs on the market today are safe and effective,'' the FDA said.

About 250 products made by 27 firms were recalled and over 100 drug approvals have been or are in the process of being withdrawn, the agency said.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (NOV. 14) UPI - The Soviet Union sought and won 11th-hour changes to a massive conventional arms treaty that allows more tanks to be stored in a military district bordering the Black Sea, officials said Wednesday.

Delicate diplomacy was required to approve the change in the Conventional Forces in Europe treaty, which Turkey initially opposed as a threat to its borders.

The CFE treaty, which has been negotiated since March 1989 in Vienna, is to be signed at a landmark European summit in Paris next Monday by 16 NATO and six Warsaw Pact countries.

The Soviets insisted the change was necessary to accomodate withdrawal of its forces and equipment from Eastern Europe. ''They said, 'We have no other place to put these guys,''' a NATO source said.

The last-minute request to change the treaty was kept quiet as negotiators scurried to reach a compromise, which was achieved early this week, officials said.

It allows more armament to be stored in the strategic Kiev Military District, but only up to special limits designed to reassure NATO's southern flank.

''I wouldn't say we were astonished by the Soviet request, but it was clearly an added complication that had to be resolved quickly,'' said a NATO official.

A tentative CFE agreement was reached on Oct. 3 in New York between U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

The Soviet Union later grew concerned, however, about storage limitations in the Kiev District, a huge area with a thin strip bordering the Black Sea.

''They had a look at the implications of the New York agreement and felt they would not be able to store as many battle tanks there as they'd like,'' a NATO source said.

The complex CFE pact limits NATO and the Warsaw Pact each to 20,000 tanks, 20,000 artillery pieces, 30,000 armored combat vehicles, 6,800 aircraft and 2,000 helicopters.

The pact also calls for armament ceilings in several geographic zones made up of various military districts.

This week's compromise shifts the Kiev Military District from the southern flank zone to one of the central zones, which has a larger ceiling. At the same time, however, the Kiev District received a special limitation of 2,250 battle tanks, 2,500 combat vehicles and 1,500 artillery.

''The compromise allows the Soviets to store more equipment in the Kiev District than before, but the new limits for the Kiev District address the Turks' concern that they didn't want everything in the central zone to be stacked in that district,'' a NATO official said.

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#90318u0820 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI (NOV. 14) UPI - A teenage girl bled to death after a traditional circumcision, and the witch doctor who performed the procedure was charged with murder, local newspapers reported Wednesday.

Agnes Chepkoron, 18, was at least the fourth girl to die from circumcision this year in Kenya, although the practice is officially banned.

Chepkoron was circumcised Monday by a traditional witchdoctor in the town of Kipkelion, about 120 miles northwest of Nairobi, the newspapers said. The doctor was arrested by local police and charged with murder in the case, the news accounts said.

Female circumcision involves removing the clitoris and sometimes the labia, often using dirty or blunt knives. Victims frequently bleed profusely and suffer infection, shock and in some mass rituals run the risk of contracting the HIV virus which causes AIDS.

Female circumcision is widely practiced, often by women on women, in Kenya and Uganda, usually as an adolescence initiation rite or immediately before marriage.

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#90318u0821 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 14) UPI - Iran's foreign minister is heading to neighboring Iraq to discuss what are called bilateral relations between two countries that fought an eight-year war against each other. Reports of the visit are carried on Tehran Radio broadcasts monitored in Athens. The trip comes amid reports that Iran is worried that war may again break out in the Persian Gulf.

President Bush is meeting with bipartisan leaders today to discuss U- S policy in the Gulf. With the U-S troop buildup continuing full steam, Congress is pressuring Bush to convene a special session to debate the escalation. Senate leaders have ordered a series of hearings on the Gulf crisis. Majority Leader George Mitchell says the shift in U-S military capability from defense to offense has the country worried about war.

The U-S Chamber of Commerce is out with a new forecast of the economy that is even more pessimistic than previous ones. The chamber says the nation is in for a recession that will be worse than originally projected. It may last through the first half of next year, pushing unemployment above seven percent. And it says the downturn will spread overseas, threatening the exports of U-S goods.

Unsecured creditors of bankrupt Eastern Airlines are going to court in New York City today to argue for Eastern's immediate liquidation. The creditors want Judge Burton Lifland to deny a request by Eastern's management for another 30-Million dollars from an escrow fund to keep the airline flying this month and 40-Million next month. The creditors say Eastern lost more than 370-Million dollars from June through October, far exceeding its projections.

A suspected Irish extremist in the 36th day of a hunger strike will be returned to Britain to face charges of being an explosives expert for the I-R-A. The Supreme Court of the Irish Republic today upheld the British extradition seeking return of Desmond Ellis. He has served most of an eight-year sentence in the republic for possession of explosives and reportedly has lost 30 pounds since beginning the hunger strike.

Unification of Germany has cooled some of the hard feelings that once existed when the country was divided. Germany's prosecutor general says he favors amnesty for spies who once served what was East Germany. This would include legendary masterspy Markus Wolf, said to be the basis for the character ''Carla'' in several espionage thrillers from British novelist John le Carre.

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#90318u0849 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
CAIRO (NOV. 14) UPI - Egypt is gearing up for a parliamentary election later this month that is drawing massive crowds to campaign rallies despite a boycott by major opposition parties.

A new law that allows candidates to appear on the ballot by name, rather than simply by party affiliation, is making the election a contest of personalities rather than a staid choice between the ruling party and its handful of challengers.

President Hosni Mubarak called for the elections last month after voters overwhelmingly approved a referendum dissolving the previous parliament, which a court said had been elected in violation of the country's constitution because too many candidates from the ruling party had been elected.

The government changed election laws following the court decision in an effort to ensure a fair contest, but major opposition parties are boycotting the Nov. 29 polls because they say Mubarak did not consult them on the change.

The parties also complain that Egypt's state of emergency, imposed after the 1981 assassination of President Anwar Sadat, prevents completely fair elections and say the government has tampered with election results in the past, a charge denied by officials.

Mubarak's ruling National Democratic Party has traditionally won a huge majority of seats in the People's Assembly, Egypt's parliament, and observers say it is likely they will again sweep the coming elections with or without a challenge by the major opposition parties.

Election officials say 2,897 candidates are vying for only 444 seats in the Peoples Assembly.

Three major opposition parties - the rightest el Wafd, el Ahrar parties along with the center-rightest Social Labor party el Shaab - are boycotting the elections, as is the outlawed fundamentalist group Moslem Brotherhood.

The Moslem Brotherhood, which protests the pro-Western government of Mubarak, is not allowed to field candidates as a recognized party but has backed individual candidates who did not have a party affiliation.

But smaller parties and many individuals, some of them fundamentalists, are challenging the candidates proposed by the ruling party.

Each candidate must have a campaign symbol for the benefit of illiterate voters. The symbol of one Moslem extremist candidate, Ragab Hamida, is a pistol.

''In order to make God's word the higher word, and in order to save people from the injustice of rulers, I am running for election,'' Hamida told a recent campaign rally in Cairo.

One of his aides told supporters at the rally that Hamida chose the pistol to ''demonstrate our determination to fight corruption and the abuses of power.''

Elections in Egypt traditionally have low voter turnout, despite laws that mandate that eligible citizens vote. But observers said this election may draw a relatively large turnout because the new election law has given candidates names and faces, rather than simply party affiliations.

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#90318u0852 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 14) UPI - Stock prices closed lower in light trading Wednesday on the London International Stock Exchange as weakness in the British pound diminished prospects for an early cut in interest rates.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which added 4.1 points Tuesday, fell 10.0 points to 2,046.0. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 10.4 points to 1,583.2.

Volume amounted to around 356 million shares compared with 422 million shares changing hands Tuesday.

Market watchers said stocks eased as the British pound slipped on major global foreign currency markets.

Analysts said local investors reacted calmly following the formal announcement by Michael Heseltine, a former defense minister, that he planned to challenge Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher for the leadership of the Conservatives in the House of Commons.

The challenge, long expected, brings to a head growing disenchantment with Thatcher among Conservative members in Parliment, analysts said.

Analysts said Heseltine's bid was widely expected and did not surprise the markets, but warned that political turmoil could soon send sterling plummeting.

''I think the anxiety has not reached its peak,'' said Michael Saunders, an economist for the Salomon Brothers in London. ''We have the making of a sterling crisis.''

Opinion among analysts was divided on how the markets would react to Heseltine as prime minister.

Some said his pro-European approach would boost sterling, while others said he was too little known outside the country and Thatcher's defeat would unnerve foreign investors.

The challenge by Heseltine, even if unsuccessful, will hasten Thatcher's political demise, one analyst said.

''I think we're beginning to see the end of Thatcher,'' said Andy Hudson, a corporate dealer with the Bank of Tokyo Ltd's London office. ''I'll still be surprised if she lost. I'll be surprised if she's not prime minister next week.''

Among the most widely traded stocks, British Airways, Britain's largest airline, fell 16 cents to $2.47 despite repoting its latest pretax profits climbed 23 percent.

The airline's chairman Lord King said the results indicated the airline had so far been able to withstand the problems currently facing the airline industry.

He pointed out, however, that given current trading and expenditure levels, the airline did not expect a positive contribution in the second half of the year.

''To achieve our financial goal against the current background means taking rigorous action to reduce our cost levels. We had begun this process before the Gulf crisis. We are now extending the scope of this program,'' King said.

In a weak banking sector, Lloyds Bank slipped 14 cents to $5.13 and Royal Bank of Scotland lost 14 cents to $2.77.

In the insurance sector, Commercial Union fell 23 cents to 8.65 after a 75 percent profits setback and General Accident slipped 6 cents to $8.25 after reporting a $142 million loss.

Elsewhere, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed slightly higher in light trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which added 0.67 points Tuesday, rose another 3.32 points to 1,406.23.

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NAIROBI, KENYA (NOV. 14) UPI - The Sudanese military bombed relief camps in the south of the country, rebels there said Wednesday, less than a month after the United States withheld a food aid ship because of similar bombings.

The radio station of the Sudanese People's Liberation Army, monitored in Nairobi, said planes, apparently not regulation Sudanese military aircraft, dropped bombs Monday and Tuesday on several towns. The broadcast said 12 bombs fell on Torit, 800 miles south of Khartoum, killing three children.

Torit, which houses a relief center for displaced victims of food shortages and Sudan's seven-year civil war, was also bombed in May.

''While al Bashir (Sudan''s president) made pronouncements about peace, cease-fires and vaccination of children in the area, he at the same time ordered the bombing of the very children he wanted to vaccinate,'' the radio said.

It claimed the SPLA now had the capacity to retaliate for the attacks, even as far north as Khartoum.

The otherwise well-armed SPLA is not known to have any operational military aircraft.

The fundamentalist Islamic military government of Gen. Omar al Bashir has come under heavy international fire in recent weeks for bombing refugee camps. The United States at one point diverted 90,000 tons of wheat, bound for Port Sudan to assist in food relief for millions of north Sudanese at risk of famine this year.

Western diplomats in Khartoum last week said they were seeking clear assurances from the government that such incidents, including threats to shoot down relief planes in the south, would stop before they agreed to supply famine relief food.

Roger Winter, director of the U.S. Committee for Refugees, called last week for a total economic embargo on Sudan in the light of its human rights and war record and apparent refusal to deal with a mounting food crisis.

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BOSTON (NOV. 14) UPI - Single men and women who light up a cigarette will have a hard time lighting up their lives with romance, an updated survey has found.

Three years after its survey found smoking the No. 1 obstacle to matchmaking, a local dating service's new poll of members finds that attitude intensifying.

"I know people are much less tolerant," LunchDates founder Steve Penner said Wednesday. "More and more people are saying 'Definitely, definitely not a smoker.' More and more people are saying 'Have them quit first and then I'll date them."'

The informal survey of 650 members of LunchDates, which matches up its members for lunch, drinks, or dinner, found 89 percent either prefer a nonsmoker or are adamant in their refusal to date a smoker.

A similar poll conducted in 1987 found 78 percent of 600 members surveyed had the same attitude. In the last few years, smokers have surpassed overweight women and short men as the most undesirable dates, Penner said.

"The first question we ask is 'Do you smoke?' We warn people who do smoke that while they can still join ... the number of people who will go out with them is so small," he said.

Among LunchDates members: 47.9 percent refuse to date a smoker, 41.3 percent prefer a nonsmoker but would date a light smoker if they really liked the person, and 10.8 percent have no preference, Penner said.

Eleven percent of the men surveyed have no preference, 44.9 percent prefer a nonsmoker and 44.1 percent refuse to date a smoker. Among women, 10.4 percent have no preference, 36.2 prefer a nonsmoker and 52.4 percent refuse to date a smoker.

"Women are more adamant about not meeting anybody who smokes," Penner said, "whereas men will say 'I prefer a nonsmoker, but if she's attractive or there are other things about her, I'll definitely want to meet her."'

The survey found women in their 30s the most strongly opposed to smokers, with 57.4 percent saying they "absolutely, definitely will not go out with anyone who smokes, even if they're a light smoker," Penner said.

"I have a feeling that it's because women in their 30s are most interested in marrying and having children," Penner said. "If you're looking for a longterm partner you want someone who's going to be around."

"Women in their 40s and up are a little more flexible. A lot of them are looking for companionship," Penner said. "With women in their 20s - first of all, some smoke and a lot are just looking for someone to have fun with."

LunchDates was founded in Boston in 1982 and has served nearly 10,000 people since then. Among the dating service's 1,700 members, 3.7 percent of the men and 4.1 percent of the women are smokers, Penner said. The largest group of smokers are women members in their 20s, at 6.5 percent.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (NOV. 14) UPI - The Atlantis astronauts reviewed their secret flight plans and relaxed Wednesday as the shuttle's blacked-out countdown ticked smoothly toward launch Thursday night to put a spy satellite into orbit.

Air Force meteorologists, who initially predicted a 70 percent chance of a delay because of high winds and rain, revised their forecast Wednesday and called for a 60 percent chance of favorable weather at launch time Thursday.

Work at pad 39A proceeded smoothly into its final hours Wednesday with no

major problems under discussion that would delay the seventh and last fully classified shuttle flight planned by the Air Force and NASA.

"The weather has improved considerably," said NASA spokeswoman Lisa Malone. "We've only got a 40 percent chance of a 'no-go.' As far as the countdown goes it's very smooth. We don't have any issues we're tracking."

Engineers planned to roll a giant gantry away from Atlantis Wednesday afternoon, exposing the $2 billion orbiter to view and setting the stage for the start of fuel loading around 10:30 a.m. Thursday.

The exact launch time is classified - NASA will only say Atlantis is scheduled to take off between 6:30 p.m. EST and 10:30 p.m. - but reliable sources have said liftoff is planned for 6:46 p.m. and that the shuttle can be launched as late as 8:12 p.m. if necessary.

The goal of the 37th shuttle mission also is classified, but Atlantis's five-man all-military crew reportedly plans to deploy an advanced photo-reconnaissance satellite that could be used to monitor military activities in the Persian Gulf region.

Atlantis's crew - commander Richard Covey, 44, co-pilot Frank Culbertson, 41, Charles Gemar, 35, Carl Meade, 39, and Robert Springer, 48 - spent the day Wednesday reviewing their flight plans, checking out crew equipment and generally relaxing.

The five shuttle fliers, all active-duty military officers, originally were scheduled to take off in mid July, but Atlantis was grounded after a critical fueling test June 29 when a hydrogen leak was detected near a fuel line fitting.

The shuttle Columbia was grounded in May and September by at least two similar leaks, but both shuttles ultimately were repaired and cleared for flight. Assuming Atlantis gets off the ground Thursday, Columbia will follow suit in early December to kick off a long-delayed astronomy mission.

As for Atlantis, the flight plan for the year's fifth shuttle flight is classified, but the astronauts reportedly will deploy their spy satellite payload on the second or third day of the mission.

Aviation Week & Space Technology magazine reported last month the satellite is equipped with a high-resolution digital camera system and that it will be used to support U.S. troops stationed in the Persian Gulf region as part of the ongoing Desert Shield operation.

The duration of Atlantis's mission will not be revealed until well after launch. But given an on-time liftoff, sources said, Atlantis will glide to a touchdown at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., at 3:41 p.m. PST Monday to cap a

flight lasting three days, 23 hours and 55 minutes.

Atlantis's voyage marks the seventh and last fully classified Defense Department shuttle mission, reflecting an Air Force shift away from NASA's manned spaceplane in favor of unmanned rockets like the Titan 4 booster that successfully carried a military satellite into orbit Monday.

While two more Air Force shuttle flights are planned next year, the payloads of both have been declassified. Doing away with costly security procedures for DOD shuttle flights will save the Air Force some $80 million a year.

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''One can no longer avoid responsibility for today's deeds by entreating about the socialist choice and communist prospects. Either prove your ability to act resolutely or resign.''

The newspaper described a six-point program it said is necessary to stave off collapse of central authority:

-''all-out glasnost'' and increased activity against official corruption;

-recognition of the 15 republics as sovereign states, saying that ''it is high time for the center to stop manipulating nationalist feelings'';

-immediate release of all land to peasants for private farming, declaring, ''There is no excuse for this (food) problem not having been solved over the last five years of perestroika'';

-a national ban on officials holding dual posts in government and in the Commmunist Party, transfer of all property from the party and Gorbachev's relinquishment of his position at the top of the party as general secretary;

-the selection of a civilian to head the Soviet Defense Ministry;

-a complete overhaul of the structure of the U.S.S.R. Council of Ministers that runs the government.

''The situation today is such that should a number of resolute urgent measures fail to be adopted, a tragedy will be inevitable,'' the newspaper warned.

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#90318u0935 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

BOGOTA, COLOMBIA (NOV. 14) UPI - Colombia's military has launched an offensive against the nation's largest guerrilla group, signaling the failure of the government's efforts to bring it to the negotiating table.

Soldiers backed by helicopters were battling guerrillas of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia in the remote jungle of the department, or state, of Meta south of Bogota where the group, known by its Spanish acronym FARC, is based.

''This is part of the constitutional obligation of the armed forces to enforce the law,'' President Cesar Gaviria told the Bogota radio station RCN Wednesday. The newspaper El Tiempo said about 30 people had been killed in the offensive. Gaviria said there appeared to be a ''high number'' of deaths, but no official figures were available.

The offensive began after a recent spate of FARC attacks, including one on Monday in which six children were killed. The guerrillas attacked a truck carrying nine children who were members of a police juvenile program in a rural area in the department of Huila, 180 miles southwest of Bogota. Besides six of the children, two officers also were slain.

In the past week, the FARC and the National Liberation Army, or ELN, the other large guerrilla group operating in Colombia, have carried out a series of attacks against military patrols and installations. More than 50 people have died in the actions.

After taking office in August, Gaviria continued the campaign launche by his predecessor, Virgilio Barco, to bring the guerrilla groups operating in Colombia to the bargaining table. Barco successfully negotiated an agreement under which one of the largest of the group, the M-19, laid down its arms and rejoined the nation's legitimate political parties.

Three other groups have agreed to similar arrangements, but the attacks and the subsequent military offensive signal the failure to lure FARC and ELN, the two most important guerrilla groups, to the bargaining table.

Government Minister Julio Sanchez said the increase in violence ''makes impossible a dialogue with guerrillas who are killing children and soldiers.''

In an effort to induce guerrilla participation in the peace talks, Gaviria had been promising them representation in a constitutional reform assembly that

would meet next year.

Colombia has the oldest guerrilla organizations in Latin America. The guerrillas emerged as a result of political violence in the 1940s and '50s. The movements blossomed after 1957, when a political accord between the two major political parties, the Liberals and Conservatives, shut out all other movements from participation in government.

The FARC is believed to have about 5,000 members, while the ELN about half that number.

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#90318u0968 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 14) UPI - Four people have been sighted at ground zero on the Nevada Test Site, where scientists are preparing to detonate a nuclear device 19-hundred feet underground. Security guards plan to arrest the Greenpeace infiltrators. A spokesman for the Energy Department says the protesters were sighted on closed circuit television minutes after the nuclear weapons test countdown was halted because of technical problems. Greenpeace organizers say three British women and a guide hiked through rugged desert terrain onto Pahute Mesain an attempt to halt today's nuclear test.

Egyptian, Iraqi and Soviet envoys are flying to various Arab capitals today to discuss a call by Moroccan King Hassan for an Arab summit on the Persian Gulf crisis. NOT much is being said about the low- key shuttle diplomacy. But Arab states that support Kuwait say a new summit would only be useful if Saddam Hussein recognizes resolutions passed at the previous Arab gathering in Cairo August 10th. That was eight days after Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait.

Economists are tearing apart the October retail sales report released by the Commerce Department this morning, trying to make some sense from the figures. Combined sales were up one-tenth of one percent in October from September to 152-point-three-BILLION dollars for the month period. That leaves sales for the month up four-point-nine percent from where they were in October of last year.

The Executive Commission of the European Community is proposing that the E-C forgive nearly four-BILLION dollars in debts owed by 68 developing countries. The issue still must be approved by the Council of Ministers at a meeting set for next month. Almost half of the money has yet to be given to the various countries. The debt cancellation would cover only money owed to the trade bloc NOT that owed to individual I-C members.

The 21-day-old Daily News strike is turning into one of New York City's bitterest labor wars. A Daily News delivery truck driver and his assistant were beaten with bats and sticks by about one dozen men in Brooklyn early today. The driver was NOT seriously hurt but his assistant was taken to a

hospital with a possible broken arm. Police say the incident is the fifth strike-related act of violence this week. Union leaders are holding a rally outside the newspaper's Manhattan headquarters building this afternoon.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 14) UPI - Shares of MCA Inc. jumped more than $4 Wednesday amid investors' growing belief the entertainment giant's pending buyout by Japan's Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. may close soon.

MCA stock rose $4.25 a share to $66.75 in early afternoon trading on the New York Stock Exchange following several reports MCA and Matsushita top executives will meet in New York within a week to close the deal.

Matsushita's American Depository Receipts were unchanged at $129 on the Big Board.

MCA and Matsushita have imposed a news blackout on the talks for the last six weeks. MCA spokeswoman Christine Hanson said she had no comment on the reports.

But investors clearly believe the two sides have managed to work out most of the transaction's details, entertainment analyst Steven Hill of Sutro & Co. in San Francisco said.

''I think it's quite likely that the deal will close within a week,'' Hill said. ''It appears that the companies are on the verge of final talks.''

MCA stock jumped more than $25 a share in the two days after the first disclosure that it was in discussions about a buyout. Since then, it has been trading in the $55 to $65 range, with the stock being driven down on rumors of disagreement on the deal's price.

Japanese reports have estimated that Matsushita, a huge electronics producer and retailer, wants to pay no more than $65 a share. A recent U.S. report said that MCA Chairman Lew Wasserman, who holds 5 million shares and controls another 6 million of the 92 million fully diluted shares outstanding, would not accept a price under $75 a share.

Analysts have valued MCA at about $85 a share, or close to $8 billion. its holdings include Universal Studios, large film and TV libraries, several record labels and publishers, theme parks in Florida and California, independent WWOR-TV in Secaucus, N.J., and interests in the Cineplex Odeon theater chain and the USA Network cable channel.

Hill and other analysts have been estimating the final price that Matsushita pays will probably be in the $75 to $80 a share range, placing the value of the deal at about $7 billion.

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OAK BROOK, ILL (NOV. 14) UPI - McDonald's Corp. said Wednesday it is test marketing a new, low-fat hamburger - the Lean Deluxe, a quarter pounder that contains just 310 calories, complete with trimmings and a sesame seed bun.

''The Lean Deluxe offers our customers an additional lowfat menu choice and delivers the taste our customers expect,'' McDonald's President Ed Rensi said. ''We're testing it in our restaurants in Harrisburg, Pa., as an addition to our existing hamburger line-up.''

The Harrisburg-area test began Nov. 5, a company spokesman said. Asked if plans called for expanding marketing of the Lean Deluxe, he replied, ''We'll let the customers determine that.''

McDonald's Lean Deluxe consists of a 91 percent fat-free, quarter pound beef patty served on a sesame seed bun with ketchup, mustard, pickle, onion, lettuce and tomato. It contains 310 calories and 10 grams of fat, compared with 410 calories, and 20.7 grams of fat for McDonald's standard Quarter Pounder.

''Our hamburgers are already classified 'lean' by the USDA, but when it comes to our products, we're never satisfied,'' said Rensi.

The new, 91 percent fat-free beef is the result of three years of research and development by Auburn University, funded by the Beef Industry Council with McDonald's encouragement.

''If it weren't for McDonald's, this product would never have happened,'' said

Dale Huffman of Auburn. ''McDonald's has refined our product and is the first to make it available to customers in their restaurants.''

Huffman and co-worker Russ Egbert did the initial research for the new lowfat ground beef.

The beef industry's hopes for the new, leaner ground beef extend far beyond McDonald's menu.

''A lean beef patty provides a wide range of nutrients, including iron, protein and B-vitamins. Now the consumer, if he or she desires, can have it with less fat,'' he said.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 14) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	78.95	79.35	78.80	79.13	78.90
Feb	75.80	76.50	75.75	76.22	75.68
Apr	75.65	76.18	75.43	75.90	75.47
Jun	73.40	73.80	73.25	73.60	73.28
Aug	71.80	72.45	71.80	72.00	71.80
Oct	71.95	72.40	71.93	72.07	71.97
Dec	72.90	73.00	72.90	73.00	72.85

Est. sales 14,764 contracts; Thursday 13,201; Open interest: 67,887 up 1,711

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Nov	88.45	88.55	88.43	88.55	88.35
Jan	87.05	87.65	87.05	87.47	86.95
Mar	84.60	85.20	84.60	84.95	84.60
Apr	83.60	84.00	83.60	83.85	83.55
May	82.95	83.20	82.90	83.15	82.82
Aug	81.95	82.20	81.90	82.20	81.85
Sep	81.50	81.50	81.50	81.50	80.70
Oct	....	....	....	81.00	80.50

Est. sales 2,107 contracts; Thursday 1,153; Open interest: 9,463 up 85

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	54.15	54.70	53.80	53.90	54.10
Feb	52.60	52.80	51.60	51.75	52.35
Apr	48.95	49.45	48.65	48.75	48.72
Jun	52.65	52.80	52.45	52.50	52.45
Jul	52.55	52.75	52.45	52.70	52.53
Aug	50.50	50.85	50.40	50.85	50.65
Oct	45.75	45.75	45.75	45.75	45.50
Dec	....	....	....	45.55	45.40

Est. sales 9,366 contracts; Thursday 8,414;

Open interest: 27,229 up 445
Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 73.35 73.75 71.95 72.05 73.07
Mar 72.50 72.85 71.15 71.38 72.13
May 72.00 72.55 71.00 71.05 71.80
Jul 71.20 71.75 70.40 70.80 70.90
Aug 68.90 69.25 67.80 67.97 68.57 Est. sales 6,301 contracts; Thursday 6,853;
Open interest: 12,026 up 252
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 128.12 up 1.03, 700-850 lbs. 127.94 up 1.00; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.10 up 38 cents, 700-850 lbs. 118.52 up 64 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins firm to 1.00 higher; Boston butts 1.00 higher; skinned hams weak; seedless bellies not tested; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 100.00-101.00, 18-22 lbs. 100.00; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 77.00; hams 20-26 lbs. 84.00-85.00, 32 lbs. and up 74.00.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 14) UPI - Aggressive selling and liquidation pressured the grain market Wednesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Closing prices were lower to sharply lower with a number of contract lows in the soybean complex.

January soybeans fell to a low of $5.64 1/4 per bushel and were down 9 cents on the day. Traders said higher production and carryover estimates in the November crop report continued to pressure the market. News that Taiwan bought soybeans overnight was supportive, and there were indications that Israel and Mexico would be in the market later in the week.

Lower prices for soybean meal in Europe also weighed on the futures market.

The grains were lower on spillover from the soy complex and the lack of export business. Sell-stops were triggered as prices declined, although losses were tempered by scattered buying activity.

Wheat made contract lows just before the final bell. Favorable weather in the Wheat Belt was beneficial to the new crop.

Country movement was light and basis levels were mixed.

At the close, corn was off 5 to 6 1/4, soybeans down 5 3/4 to 10 1/2, wheat off 6 to 7 3/4 and oats down 4 to 5 1/4.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 14) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.61 3/4	2.62	2.55	2.55 1/4	2.63
Mar	2.77	2.77	2.70	2.70 1/2	2.78
May	2.84 1/2	2.84 1/2	2.77 1/2	2.78 1/4	2.85 3/4
Jly	2.90	2.90	2.83	2.83 1/4	2.90 3/4
Sep	2.91	2.92 1/2	2.90	2.90	2.97
Dec	3.01 1/2	3.03 1/4	3.01 1/2	3.01 1/2	3.07 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.30	2.30	2 33 1/2	2.24	2.30 1/4
Mar	2.40 1/4	2.39 3/4	2.34	2.34 1/4	2.40
May	2.46 3/4	2.46 1/2	2.41	2.41 1/4	2.47
Jly	2.51 3/4	2.52	2.46 1/2	2.46 3/4	2.52 1/4
Sep	2.51 3/4	2.51 3/4	2.45 1/2	2.45 3/4	2.51 1/2
Dec	2.51 3/4	2.51 3/4	2.47	2.47 1/4	2.52 1/4
Mar	2.53 1/4	2.53 1/4	2.53 1/4	2.53 1/4	2.58 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.11	1.12 1/4	1.07 1/2	1.07 3/4	1.12 1/4
Mar	1.22 3/4	1.23 3/4	1.18 1/2	1.18 1/2	1.23 3/4
May	1.29	1.29 3/4	1.25 1/2	1.25 1/2	1.30
Jly	1.34 1/4	1.35	1.31 1/2	1.31 1/4	1.35 1/4
Sep	1.39	1.39	1.37 1/4	1.37 1/4	1.41 1/4
Dec	1.46	1.46	1.44 1/4	1.44 1/4	....
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	5.64	5.65 3/4	5.52	5.54 1/4	5.63
Jan	5.76 1/2	5.78 3/4	5.64 1/4	5.66 1/2	5.75 1/2
Mar	5.91	5.92 3/4	5.78 1/2	5.80 1/2	5.89 3/4
May	6.04 1/2	6.06 3/4	5.92	5.94	6.03 3/4
Jly	6.15 1/2	6.18 1/2	6.03 1/2	6.05 3/4	6.16 1/4
Aug	6.17 1/2	6.20	6.07 1/2	6.08 3/4	6.18 1/4
Sep	6.12	6.12	6.01	6.01 1/2	6.09
Nov	6.12	6.14	6.03	6.05 1/2	6.11 1/4
Jan	6.23 1/2	6.24	6.16	6.16	6.22 1/4
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					

Dec	20.25	20.30	19.89	20.09	20.21
Jan	20.50	20.58	20.19	20.35	20.48
Mar	20.93	20.99	20.60	20.77	20.92
May	21.35	21.38	21.00	21.19	21.35
Jul	21.63	21.70	21.28	21.46	21.63
Aug	21.64	21.72	21.25	21.30	21.64
Sep	21.75	21.75	21.25	21.30	21.64
Oct	21.60	21.70	21.30	21.32	21.60
Dec	21.60	21.70	21.30	21.30	21.60
Jan	21.45	21.45	21.31	21.31	21.57

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	172.30	174.40	169.40	169.80	172.60
Jan	175.20	177.00	172.20	172.70	175.50
Mar	179.30	180.80	176.40	176.80	179.60
May	182.20	183.30	179.40	179.60	182.20
Jul	185.20	186.50	182.60	182.90	185.40
Aug	187.00	187.00	183.50	183.50	186.20
Sep	185.50	186.00	183.00	183.00	184.50
Oct	185.00	185.00	182.50	182.50	184.50
Dec	185.00	186.00	182.50	184.00	186.00
Jan	184.50	184.50	183.50	184.50	186.50

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(NOV. 14) UPI - Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak and Iraqi and Soviet envoys shuttled around Arab capitals Wednesday to discuss a call for an Arab summit on the Persian Gulf crisis, while Congress warned President Bush it expects to be consulted if he plans remove Iraqi troops from Kuwait by force.

Bush met with congressional leaders Wednesday and assured them the U.S. military position in Saudi Arabia remains defensive, not offensive, and the leaders ruled out an immediate call for a special session of Congress to debate U.S. policy in the gulf.

The leaders gave Bush a conditional yellow light to pursue his military buildup but warned that the support he enjoys could be shaken by a decision to forcibly expel Iraq from Kuwait.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine said there also was ''extensive discussion'' of additional moves through the United Nations, where the United States may seek a resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq.

''The policy remains at the moment the use of forces there for defensive purposes and to enforce the embargo authorized by the United Nations,'' said House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash. ''And that, of course, has very, very

strong support - bipartisan support - of the Congress."

In the Middle East, pro-Kuwaiti states such as Saudi Arabia said a new summit as proposed by Morroco's King Hassan II could only succeed if Iraq recognized resolutions passed at an Arab gathering in Cairo on Aug. 10, eight days after Iraq invaded Kuwait.

The Cairo summit sanctioned the dispatch of Arab troops from Egypt, Syria and Morocco to the gulf to deter further Iraqi aggression.

Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al Faisal told reporters in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, that Iraq should accept resolutions calling on it to withdraw from Kuwait and restore exiled Kuwaiti Emir Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah to power before a new summit could be considered.

''Only if Iraq accepts the resolutions of the Cairo summit can the summit called by King Hassan of Morrocco be fruitful and positive,'' Saud was quoted as saying.

Despite recent indications Iraq is willing to sacrifice for the sake of peace, Baghdad said it will only attend a summit if it can have a say in the agenda and that the order sanctioning the dispatch of Arab troops to the gulf is rescinded.

Mubarak last month rejected a Soviet call for a new summit, arguing that if there was no specific agenda it might evolve into a shouting match between pro-Iraqi and pro-Kuwaiti delegates.

Egypt has not officially responded to Hassan's summit call and only three members of the Arab League - the Palestine Liberation Organization, Jordan and Mauritania - have accepted.

Many Arab League members believe an Arab summit that does not call for an Iraqi troop withdrawal from Kuwait would play into Baghdad's hands by allowing Saddam to buy more time.

Mubarak arrived in the Syrian capital Damascus after talks in Sirte with Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi, Cairo Radio said, and later met Syrian President Hafez Assad in Damascus.

Iraqi First Deputy Premier Tahar Yassin Radamadan said Wednesday after talks in Rabat with Hassan that Baghdad wants a summit to cancel the resolutions approved in Cairo that approved the sending of Arab troops to Saudi Arabia, Baghdad Radio said.

A second Iraqi envoy, Second Deputy Premier Saadoun Hammadi, held talks Wednesday with Tunisian President Ben Ali but the content of their talks was not disclosed, the Tunis Afrique Presse Agency said.

Hammadi flew to Tunisia from Libya, where he talked to Gadhafi, and was also scheduled to visit Algeria.

As the Iraqi envoys held talks with Arab leaders, Saddam issued a presidential decree appointing a prominent member of the ruling Baath party as governor of what was described as the Iraqi province of Kuwait, Baghdad Radio said. The radio said Aziz Saleh would reain his job as a member of the Baath party secretariat.

Two Soviet envoys arrived in the Middle East, Cairo Radio reported, on missions to achieve a peaceful settlement of the standoff.

On the first leg of his tour, Alexander Belonogov, a former Soviet ambassador to Egypt and now a deputy foreign minister, was in the Yemeni capital Sanaa. Vladimir Petrovsky, another Soviet deputy foreign minister, arrived late Tuesday in Rabat for talks with Hassan. Petrovsky was also to visit Libya, Algeria and Tunisia.

Iraq's gulf war foe Iran also joined the flurry of diplomatic activity, with Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati in Baghdad to discuss bilateral relations and the crisis. Tehran is concerned that war is imminent.

On the hostage front, the Voice of America broadcast a message to U.S. nationals still held in Iraq and Kuwait that a special plane will leave Kuwait and Baghdad on Sunday.

The message asked U.S. nationals, including those of Arab origin, to get in touch with U.S. missions in Baghdad and Kuwait for further details.

In other developments:

- Iraq rejected a request from Yugoslavia's foreign minister to intercede in the standoff and the non-aligned state responded by recalling its ambassador from Baghdad.

- An autopsy performed on a U.S. soldier found dead in a shower last Friday showed he died of a brain aneurism. He was identified as Sgt. James Wilcher, 21, of the 118th Ordnance Detachment. His home town was not available.

- Senior Chinese officials reaffirmed Beijing's support for efforts to isolate Iraq but made no commitment on the use of military force in the gulf, visiting U.S. lawmakers said Wednesday. They also ruled out sending Chinese troops to the area.

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ALBANY, NY (NOV. 14) UPI - Non-incumbents are traditionally short of money in campaigns, but this year the disparity in congressional races was worse than ever, an expert on campaign financing said Wednesday.

As of the middle of October, challengers for seats in the House of Representatives nationwide raised only 17 percent as much money as the incumbents they faced, said Michael Malbin, director of the Center for Legislative Studies at the Rockefeller Institute of Government.

"That goes a long way toward explaining how the voters can return 96 percent of the House members seeking re-election in a year when the mood was said to be anti-incumbent," Malbin said.

But he also said a challenger need not match an incumbent dollar for dollar to mount a credible challenge. In fact, 14 of the 15 incumbents who lost in last week's elections outspent the challengers who defeated them, he said.

"The crucial issue is not getting equality of resources, it's getting resources to the challengers," Malbin said. He said challengers generally have an easier time in U.S. Senate and gubernatorial races, because the press tends to pay more attention to them and, therefore, their messages get across easier and cheaper.

Malbin urged two reforms: lifting the limit on campaign contributions in the early stages of a race to enable challengers to accumulate "seed money" and allowing political parties to play a greater role in individual races.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - With nary a coffin nail to fall back on, a crowd of celebrities Wednesday kicked off the 14th annual Great American Smokeout and urged nicotine hounds across the country to try to stay away from the weed for at least 24 hours.

The Smokeout begins at midnight Wednesday and for the 14th year, the American Cancer Society is betting it can keep a lot of folks from lighting up. A variety of events were planned around the country, along with backbone-stiffening announcements, like the results of a survey in Boston that showed smoking is the No. 1 obstacle to matchmaking.

To give them some incentive, Rapper L.L. Cool J playfully punched out a mock six-foot pack of cigarettes, and wrestler Tito Santana helped strangle a similar pack in a "tug of war."

Even New York Mayor David Dinkins, a reformed heavy smoker, got into the act, describing how he quit 28 years ago after reading about a link between butts and bronchitis.

"I have not, I am pleased to report, smoked since," he bragged, after being presented a certificate of appreciation for the city's anti-smoking efforts, namely banning cigarette ads on city owned billboards and subways and taxis.

Cancer Society spokesman David Lehman said a Gallup organization survey showed 17.9 million smokers participated last year, and about 5.2 million stayed off the entire day.

Actress Carol Channing said she was smoking three packs a day when she quit eight years ago. "I couldn't get in the bathtub without a cigarette and an ashtray," she said. "I remember how people who smoke smelled when I kissed them. Like an old sewer."

She pooh-poohed weight gain after quitting, even though she put on 12 pounds. "It came right off," she said. "My emotions came alive," she added, describing nicotine as "a suppressant for everything."

Joyce Randolph, Trixie Norton of the old "Honeymooners" show, said she brought greetings from Art Carney and Audrey Meadows. "Art stopped smoking years ago and Audrey is trying to," she said. "Of course you know we lost Jackie (Gleason) to cancer."

Rocky Aoki, owner of the Benihana chain of restaurants and a speedboat racer who "started smoking as a kid in Japan," said he quit and encourages his 2,000 employees to follow suit, because, he tells them, they will "have more energy and less absenteeism."

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Gold futures closed Wednesday 840 to 870 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	377.60	....	....	377.60	386.00
Dec	384.80	386.40	377.00	378.50	387.00
Feb	388.80	389.90	380.50	382.10	390.70
Apr	391.80	393.40	385.00	385.60	394.20
Jun	396.00	396.20	388.00	389.40	398.00
Aug	396.00	396.00	392.00	392.90	401.50
Oct	396.60	....	....	396.60	405.30
Dec	406.30	....	....	400.40	409.10
Feb	404.60	....	....	404.60	413.30
Apr	408.60	....	....	408.60	417.30
Jun	412.90	....	....	412.90	421.60
Aug	417.50	....	....	417.50	426.20

Open interest: 113,217 up 963.
Estimated sales: 37,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	383.25	up 1.25
Morning fixing	383.45	up 0.20
Afternoon fixing	383.90	up 0.65
Close	384.25	up 1.00
Paris	385.19	up 0.93
Zurich	384.50	up 1.00
Hong Kong	383.50	off 0.25
New York		
Comex spot close	377.60	off 8.40
Republic cash	377.50	off 8.25
Handy and Harman	383.90	up 0.40

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 385.20 up 0.40 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 404.46 up 0.42 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.175	off 0.037
Republic cash	4.18	off 0.05

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.21 per fine ounce off 0.005

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.21 off 0.025 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.505 off 0.026

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 418.50 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 518.50 off 0.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 94.50 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 109.50 off 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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OTTAWA (UPI) - Business and consumer confidence in the economy registered

record lows in the third quarter, results reminiscent of the start of the last recession, the Conference Board of Canada said Wednesday.

Gilles Rheaume, the Board's director of forecasting and analysis, said 79 percent of business leaders expect worse economic conditions over the next six months, an all-time high. Only 1.5 percent of respondents felt economic conditions would improve in the near term. Those expecting their own financial position to worsen rose to 30 percent.

Rheaume said he was alarmed to find that 50 percent of respondents planned to reduce nominal investment spending over the next months. Of those, 12.4 percent planned a reduction of at least 20 percent.

Consumers also predicted worse times ahead. The index of consumer attitudes dropped to 72.5 percent from, its lowest level in 30 years with the exception of the last two quarters of 1982 when the country was in a severe recession.

''The recession and the Middle East oil crisis are reducing Canadians' spending power,'' Rheaume said. ''Consumers face an increase in the price of energy products, and with the recession in full swing, they are wary of their financial situations.''

When consumers were asked to evaluate their family's financial situation in the next six months, only 16.6 percent were positive, the lowest response since the survey began in 1960.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - Toronto art student Jeremy Lynch has discovered an unusual use for polluted rivers and lakes - developing photographs. For the better part of six months, Lynch has taken samples from Lake Ontario, Love Canal, New York Harbor, and other notoriously polluted bodies of water in search of the perfect developing agent for black-and-white negatives.

He said the idea came to him last March over a few pints of beer with some buddies at a pub. "I was doing a project at school on what man has done to the environment and that sort of stuff," the English-born student recalled. "We were in a pub and drinking a lot when the idea came to me. The truth is, it was drunken inspiration."

Lynch, 23, walked over to the Port of Toronto on Lake Ontario the next day, found an oil-stained pool and gathered some water. It took 28 hours to develop a negative in the water, but an image did materialize. Since then, he has printed a number of negatives in polluted water. But is it art?

"They look like someone in grade 5 printed them up," he said. "But you can look at it and say, 'Yeah, that's the Statue of Liberty."' "Sometimes, the

photos have grains the size of golf balls, but you can definitely make out what the things are," Lynch said.

He said he uses no filters or anything else to enhance the quality of the print. "I'm don't try to make the pictures look any better or worse. That would lose a lot of the effect," he said. Lynch said what works best is a combination of diesel fuel and paint thinner.

Meanwhile, an Eastman Kodak Co. spokesman said while it is possible to get an image from chemicals found in the water, it is not an accurate reflection on whether there is pollution.

"All you need are minor amounts of these chemicals - and some of them are really quite benign. Common sewage could probably do it," said spokesman James Blamphin.

Among Lynch's developing solutions is water from Love Canal, the Niagara Falls neighborhood that was declared an environmental disaster area in the late 1970s. A picture of a weathered basketball hoop with a lonely string dangling is titled "Love Canal Basketball Association." Those and other photographs are currently on exhibit at the Kiva II art gallery in Toronto. Three hundred people turned out for its opening.

Lynch, a student at Toronto's Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, complains some people are trying to commercialize his art. "Water purifier people are trying to use my name and trying to use my photographs," Lynch said. "At the opening, one salesman was mingling with the guests trying to sell them water filters. I threw him out."

Despite his developing medium, Lynch maintains his distance from the environmental movement. "I'm not a major environmentalist, I'm a photographer " he said. "I'm not going to shove an idea down someone's throat. But when people look at my pictures and change their habits, I feel I've done my job."

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 1 to 12 points lower. SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	10.21	10.29	10.11	10.20	10.32
May	10.14	10.21	10.07	10.15	10.20
Jly	10.11	10.19	10.06	10.14	10.18
Oct	10.12	10.20	10.10	10.14	10.18
Mar	10.12	10.08	10.07	10.08	10.09

Estimated sales: 14,852 contracts

Open interest: 109,536 up 1,252

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.33

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday unchanged to 3 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.17	23.17	23.16	23.17	23.18
Mar	23.15	23.15	23.13	23.13	23.16
May	23.23	23.23	23.22	23.23	23.23
Jly	23.23	23.23	23.22	23.22	23.23
Sep	23.15	....	....	23.18	23.20
Nov	23.05	23.05	23.05	23.05	23.05
Jan	....	....	....	23.01	23.01

Estimated sales: 202 contracts
Open interest: 11,673 up 76

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#90318u1102 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 14) UPI - Closed-circuit television monitors spotted four people at ground zero at the Nevada Test Site, where an underground nuclear explosion was to take place. Greenpeace organizers say three British women and their guide hiked through the desert to Pahute Mesa to prevent the nuclear test.

They were lucky. An Energy Department spokesman says the protesters weren't sighted until several minutes after the countdown was halted by technical problems. Security forces have arrested the demonstrators, but it was NOT know how long the test would be delayed.

Another mercy flight is in the works to get American citzens out of Iraq and Kuwait. The Voice of America says a special evacuation plane will leave Kuwait and Baghdad on Sunday. U-S nationals are being told to contact U-S missions in both countries.

Word of the latest evacuation flight comes as envoys from Egypt, Iraq and the Soviet Union travel to and from Arab capitals to discuss another Arab summit on the Gulf. President Bush held meetings on the crisis with congressional leaders today amid calls for him to call a special session of Congress.

One of London's biggest bookmakers is making Prime Minister Thatcher the odds-on favorite to defeat Michael Heseltine's bid to take over leadership of the ruling Conservative Party. Thatcher is expected to withstand the challenge from the former defense secretary.

The Food and Drug Administration has tightened groundrules to test generic drugs in a move to ensure the validity of quality control testing. The agency says it will require all labs that test generic drugs to keep test samples for

five years.

A leading economist calls today's reported one-tenth of one percent increase in retail sales a sign ''consumers are gloomy.'' Alan Sinai, the chief economist of Boston Company, this could produce a bleak Christmas for retailers. NOT counting motor vehicles, retail sales were unchanged from October.

In Jerusalem, Palestinians are denouncing the imprisonment without trial of three prominent Palestinians. Israel yesterday placed two Arab journalists on six-month administrative detention and sentenced a Gaza Strip doctor to one year in detention. They're accused leading the three-year-old Palestinian uprising.

The nation's Catholic bishops today announced an multi-Million dollar campaign to lobby for government funding of religious schools. Bishop Edward Eagan of Bridgeport, Connecticut, told the National Conference of Catholic Bishops meeting in Washington- ''This is the last civil rights campaign.''

The expanding U-S military buildup in the Persian Gulf is proving to be good news 700 workers facing layoff or reassignment at three Army depots in Pennsylvania. Thanks to Operation Desert Shield, the army is delaying the planned cutbacks, sparing many workers the ax.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	371.69	223.47	141.52	22.25	317.67
Opening	372.13	224.35	141.43	22.28	317.99
11 a.m.	372.41	224.42	141.06	22.36	318.14
Noon	373.32	225.54	141.24	22.55	319.02
1 p.m.	373.61	225.77	140.99	22.50	319.09
2 p.m.	374.94	227.78	141.21	22.62	320.22
3 p.m.	376.30	228.56	141.71	22.67	321.35

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(NOV. 14) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period Year Earlier

Baker Hughes (4th Q 9-30)
$722,836,000 $604,197,000
$48,492,000 (.35) $36,225,000 (.29)

Black Hills Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$33,193,000 $30,033,000
$6,314,000 (.69) $5,414,000 (.59)

Charter Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$192,366,000 a-$132,564,000
$9,481,000 (.20) $6,248,000 (.13)
a-Restated to reflect discontinued operations.

El Paso Elec (3rd Q 9-30)
$118,981,000 $118,711,000
d-$5,525,000 d-$21,875,000
d-Deficit.

Empire of Carolina (3rd Q 9-30)
a-$66,053,000 $52,258,000
$1,710 (.16) $1,018,000 (.12)
a-Reflects recent acquisitions.

Farm Credit Syst (3rd Q 9-30)
$132,000,000 $158,000,000
$93,000,000 $158,000,000

Fay's Inc (3rd Q 10-27)
$166,430,000 $141,490,000
$1,908,000 (.12) $2,475,000 (.16)

Hees Intl (9 months 9-30)
c-$543,684,000 c-$445,018,000
$196,909,000 (1.90) $176,440,000 (1.83)
c-Amounts in Canadian dollars.

McDermott Intl (2nd Q 9-30)
$816,095,000 $696,131,000
$14,842,000 (.33) d-$10,802,000
d-Deficit.

Perkin-Elmer (1st Q 10-31)
$204,800,000 $183,900,000
$9,900,000 (.30) $8,500,000 (.19)

PHLCorp Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
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$12,511,000 (.92) $5,550,000 (.41)

Rhone-Poulenc Rorer (3rd Q 9-30)
$838,000,000 $260,000,000
$24,000,000 (.36) $19,600,000 (.54)

So Union Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$28,946,000 $27,924,000
d-$3,668,000 d-$3,995,000
d-Deficit.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) UPI - Five senators accused of wielding influence on behalf of an alleged savings and loan kingpin step into the national spotlight Thursday as the key actors in a political drama whose plot and moral transcend the lawmakers' purported misdeeds.

When the Senate ethics committee begins hearings examining the activities of the so-called Keating Five senators accused of improperly exerting pressure on federal bank regulators to go easy on S&L operator Charles Keating Jr., the nation will get a rare peek into a largely hidden and unseemly side of politics.

Aside from the specific allegations against Sens. Alan Cranston, D- Calif., Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., John Glenn, D-Ohio, John McCain, R- Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich., the six-member ethics committee must confront several sensitive political questions that penetrate to the heart of the American form of democracy.

"It does give us a glimpse into the way power works and is used," said Bruce Jennings of the Hastings Center, a non-partisan ethics think tank in New York, who argues the Keating Five case points out problems with the political system more than individual wrong-doing.

"We prefer to find scapegoats," Jennings said. "We don't like to admit to ourselves that our political system gives a great deal of power and influence to a few and that democracy doesn't really work in the way that the textbooks described it to us when we were in school or that the politicians tell us in Fourth of July speeches."

Keating, who faces civil racketeering charges in California under a criminal fraud indictment stemming from the collapse of his Lincoln Savings and Loan, donated a total of $1.3 million in perfectly legal contributions to the five senators' re-election campaigns or other favorite causes.

The senators are accused of holding 1987 meetings with federal bank regulators

to blunt a long-running investigation of the Lincoln thrift, whose 1989 failure has ended up as the biggest thus far in the S&L scandal, costing taxpayers some $2 billion.

None of the senators, however, is accused of breaking the law, only breaking Senate rules governing conflict of interest and making contacts with regulators outside regular channels.

Fred Wertheimer, president of the independent citizens' lobbying group Common Cause, which lodged the complaint that led to the hearings, said, "That's not the way business should be done and the office (of senator) should be used." Jennings said the hearings give the Senate a chance to address an ethical ambiguity.

"This is a tough case because the issues involved don't seem to be good old-fashioned graft and corruption," Jennings added. "It is a more subtle issue and is something that, perhaps, the Senate has not clearly defined as an institution: where the line should be drawn between proper help to citizens versus improper interference (on behalf of a financial or political supporter). This gives the Senate a chance to draw that line."

The Keating Five senators have become the symbol of the government's failure to control one of the biggest financial scandals in U.S. history. Savings and loans across the country collapsed in the 1980s amid unsafe lending practices and risky ventures. The bailout bill to be picked up by American taxpayers will be more than half a trillion dollars.

The trial-like hearings, expected to last at least three weeks, start Thursday with opening statements by the five senators, followed by opening remarks by the committee's special counsel, Robert Bennett. Bennett and each senator will have a chance to call witnesses, with the possibility Keating himself will be called before the panel.

The committee, whose membership is evenly split between Democrats and Republicans, can recommend disciplinary action against any or all of the senators ranging from a mild form of written rebukes to censure or explusion. The panel has set a Dec. 31 deadline for its final decision.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - Carl Icahn, the dissident USX shareholder, Wednesday mounted another charge at a restructuring of the company, saying he has formed a committee to give stockholders a voice in the separation of the steel and energy businesses of Pittsburgh-based USX.

In a letter to USX Chairman Charles Corry made available to news agencies by Icahn, the largest shareholder in USX said he heartily endorsed the company's

recently announced plan of separating its two main businesses. The four-member committee Icahn has formed is intended to ''assist all shareholders in having meaningful input'' on the matter, he said

Icahn wrote that if ''the USX board fails to heed shareholder wishes to accomplish a meaningful restructuring,'' he will nominate the four members of the committee to the USX board and shareholders will have an opportunity to vote for them next year.

A USX spokesman said the company had no immediate comment on the move by Icahn who holds a 13 percent stake in USX and waged an unsuccessful proxy fight last spring to spin-off the steel subsidiary.

On Oct. 30, however, USX said it would make its steel division a wholly owned subsidiary in a move that observers said paved the way for USX, formerly U.S. Steel, to move out of the steel business.

Reached by phone at his Mt. Kisco, N.Y. office, Icahn said ''for four years we have advocated the breakup of steel and this is really all about trying to make it happen. We hope it's not just lip service.''

Icahn believes that steel is a drain on the market value of USX's Marathon Oil Co. and Texas Oil & Gas Corp.

''I believe your shareholders are very restive ... especailly in light of recent surges in the stock marekt price of 'pure energy' companies that leave the price of a 'mixed' USX behind,'' Icahn wrote to Corry in the five-page letter.

''(Shareholders) want a direct voice in shaping the means of separating energy and steel (and) want it accomplished on a fast timetable.''

He urged the company to spin-off to existing stockholders shares in the company's U.S. Steel subsidiary in a tax-free transaction.

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#90318u1179 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Alex Fernandez, who went from college baseball to the major leagues in two months, capped his amateur career Wednesday by winning the 1990 Golden Spikes Award.

Fernandez, who compiled a 12-2 record with a 1.19 ERA last season at Miami-Dade South Community College and later pitched for the Chicago White Sox was the first junior-college player to win amateur baseball's highest honor.

''I'm very shocked,'' Fernandez said after being presented with the award by Will Clark, the San Francisco Giants first baseman and 1985 Golden Spikes

winner. ''I really didn't expect this. Everybody said I was going to win it, but I didn't believe them.''

Fernandez is only the second player to win the Golden Spikes and make his major-league debut in the same season. The other was inaugural Golden Spikes winner Bob Horner, who went straight from the Arizona State campus to the Atlanta Braves in 1978.

Fernandez transferred from the University of Miami to Dade South last January to be eligible for the baseball draft, and wound up being named National Junior College Player of the Year by the U.S. Baseball Federation.

''Every once in a while you receive a gift that you don't deserve - Alex was our gift,'' Dade South Coach Charlie Greene said. ''A Rolls- Royce arrived on campus less than a year ago and all I had to do was keep it filled with gas and oil and let it go.''

The White Sox made Fernandez the fourth pick of the June draft and assigned him to their rookie team in Sarasota, Fla. He progressed quickly through the system and made his major-league debut Aug. 2 against Milwaukee. He finished with a 5-5 record and 3.80 ERA.

''I've had a long year,'' Fernandez said. ''I never had a chance to unpack my bags. I had to be physically strong and emotionally strong to make it through the seasons.

''But the major leagues is the place to be. It's a dream come true. I've always wanted to be there. I've got a catcher (with the White Sox) named Carlton Fisk and he was in the major leagues when I was born, so I've watched him all my life.''

Fernandez showed more composure on the mound than he did in accepting the award. His voice quivered as he thanked his parents, Angel and Nellie Fernandez, for whom he bought a new house in the Miami area with his signing bonus.

''Every time I needed something while I was growing up, with or without the money they would get it there somehow,'' Fernandez said. ''I love you both.''

Also nominated for the award were: outfielder Mike Kelly of Arizona State, catchers Paul Ellis of UCLA and Dan Wilson of Minnesota, Iowa shortstop Tim Costo, and pitchers Dave Fleming of Georgia, Joey Hamilton of Georgia Southern Sam Militello of Tampa and Oscar Munoz of Miami.

The USBF presented Clark with its inaugural Alumni Award, for exceptional achievement in pro baseball. Chris Weinke of St. Paul, Minn., who spurned a football scholarship at Florida State to sign with the Toronto Blue Jays, was honored as the Amateur Junior Player of the Year.

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#90318u1195 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 14) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed slightly lower in thin trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 5 to 6 1/4, soybeans down 5 3/4 to 10 1/2, wheat off 6 to 7 3/4 and oats down 4 to 5 1/4.

Cattle trade - 50 cents to $2 higher; top $80.00.

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#90318u1209 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 14) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $10 to $15 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.25 cent lower to 0.20 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.20 to 0.80 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.12 cent higher to 0.09 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $8.40 to $8.70 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $5.70 an ounce lower across the board for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.05 cent higher to 0.15 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 3.7 to 4.3 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.001 to 0.012 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90318u1212 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - The president of the National Writers Union said Wednesday his group has called off a boycott of Simon & Schuster after the publisher began mailing to more than 30 freelancers checks worth more than $30,000 in disputed wages.

Editors, proofreaders and other freelancers have been receiving the checks in last few weeks for work done on two children's book series originally contracted from Kipling Press, a book packager, by the Silver Burdett Press, a subsidiary of Simon & Schuster, said Jonathan Tasini, the union's president.

The books included biographies of civil rights leaders and Civil War figures.

Last August, the freelancers were told Kipling Press was insolvent and they would not be paid the balance of what was owed them, Tasini said.

Silver Burdett decided to complete the books and proceed with publication, and although it agreed to pay the writers of the books to avoid copyright problems it refused to compensate the freelancers who also worked on the project, Tasini said.

The Writers Union began a letter-writing campaign to schools and librarians around the country, urging them not to buy the two series until the dispute was resolved, Tasini said.

Shortly after the campaign started, Silver Burdett reorganized within Simon & Schuster, and the head of the publisher's children's division, John Sargent, decided to begin sending checks to the freelancers, Tasini said.

Marcia Newfield, a Manhattan-based freelance writer and editor, said Sargent ''made the intelligent decision'' after months of silence from other Simon & Schuster and Silver Burdett executives.

Newfield, who edited a book on A. Philip Randolph for the civil rights series in December 1988, said she only been paid in full in the last month.

In his letter accompanying her check, Sargent praised the series and the

freelancers' work, saying of Silver Burdett, ''It's clearly their responsibility to compensate you but I do not think it's fair that you remain unpaid,'' Newfield said.

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#90318u1264 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (NOV. 14) UPI - Following are the 10-day sales figures for car and light-duty trucks among the nation's domestic automakers:

Nov. 1-10 U.S. car sales

Firm	Latest Per	Year ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	68,895	62,549	up 10.1 pc
Ford	47,106	43,808	up 7.5 pc
Chrysler	18,873	20,766	off 9.1 pc
Honda	9,609	7,431	up 29.3 pc
Nissan	2,112	1,802	up 17.5 pc
Toyota	6,028	5,599	up 7.7 pc
Mazda	925	530	up 74.5 pc
Mitsubishi	1,048	982	up 6.7 pc
SIA	347	---	
Total	154,943	143,467	up 8.0 pc

Nov. 1-10 U.S. light truck sales

Firm	Latest Per	Year ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	37,744	36,748	up 2.7 pc
Ford	31,463	31,237	up 0.7 pc
Chrysler	14,558	21,738	off 33.0 pc
Nissan	1,719	2,560	off 32.9 pc
Mazda	196	---	
SIA	734	---	
Total	86,414	92,283	off 6.4 pc

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#90318u1265 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.82

60 to 89 days 7.94

90 to 119 days 7.75

120 to 149 days 7.64

150 to 179 days 7.57

180 to 270 days 7.48

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.83 - 7.65

Issuers 30 days 7.63

Issuers 90 days 7.76

Issuers 270 days 7.43

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.83

60 to 89 days 8.03

90 to 119 days 7.94

120 to 149 days 7.87

150 to 179 days 7.87

180 days 7.85

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8 15-16 - 9 1-16

1 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

3 month 7 15-6 - 8 1-16

6 month 7.875 - 8.00

Year 7.875 - 8.00

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.07 - 7.05

6 months 7.02 - 7.00

Year 6.85 - 6.83

Federal Funds: High 10, Low 8 1/8, Close 9

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7.859 up 0.225.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90318u1275 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
DETROIT (NOV. 14) UPI - An inventor who won a 12-year patent fight with Ford Motor Co. last July settled the case Wednesday for nearly $10.2 million.

Robert Kearns, inventor of the intermittent windshield wiper system, met in U.S. District Court with Ford attorneys and U.S. District Judge Avern Cohn, where he agreed to settle with the No. 2 automaker.

Once the two sides had agreed, Cohn signed an order ending the case against Ford.

''We decided to end this costly and protracted matter,'' Ford spokesman Mark Miller said.

Miller said the $10.156 million settlement incorporates damages plus interest and court costs and ends the matter as far as Ford is concerned. He said the money will go into escrow and be transferred to Kearns in a lump sum payment within three days.

''Mr. Kearns has agreed not to appeal the question of intentional infringement and we agree not to have the court trying the whole thing over again,'' Miller said.

Kearns' son, Dennis Kearns, said Tuesday his father was likely to agree to the settlement after Kearns' attorneys and a judge threatened to question his mental competence.

Last July a federal jury in Detroit ordered Ford to pay Kearns $5.1 million, plus interest, for violating his patent on windshield wipers. Interest costs, still pending before the court, had pushed up the award to between $8.5 million and $11.5 million.

Kearns, 63, had said he would appeal the award. He had sought $141 million in damages and has rejected a $30 million out-of-court settlement.

But Ford attorney Malcome E. Wheeler said Tuesday Ford was willing to pay Kearns $10.2 million to avoid further litigation.

The settlement prevents Kearns or his heirs from future litigation against Ford regarding the patents. But it does not prevent Kearns from proceeding with his cases against 23 other automakers, including General Motors Corp., Chrysler Corp. and Toyota Motor Co., which he claims used the intermittment wiper system without permission.

Ford attorney Wheeler said Kearns' mental state was never an issue with the automaker.

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#90318u1300 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1032.7
Tuesday	1034.8
Week ago	1034.1
Month ago	1053.7
Year ago	1091.3
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1025.5

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#90318u1313 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

PAHUTE MESA, NV (NOV. 14) UPI - U.S. and British scientists triggered a nuclear weapon beneath the Nevada desert Wednesday in a test delayed by technical problems and environmentalists who infiltrated the rugged site.

The weapon, with a yield of 20 to 150 kilotons, was detonated at 11:17 a.m. and measured 5.1 on the open-ended Richter scale, swaying highrises in Las Vegas 105 miles away. It was set off shortly after four people, three British members of Greenpeace and their guide, ran onto ground zero and were arrested.

U.S. Department of Energy spokesman Jim Boyer confirmed the weapons test was conducted jointly by U.S. and British scientists. Its yield was possibly 11 times greater than the 13-kiloton atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima during World War II and could have had a maximum equivalent of 150,000 tons of dynamite.

The weapon, possibly a thermonuclear warhead, was exploded 1,900 feet beneath Pahute Mesa, a 5,000-foot-high volcanic plateau located deep within the boundaries of the Rhode Island-sized Nevada Test Site. The subsequent ground shaking was felt distinctly at Scotty's Castle in Death Valley, Calif., 40 miles from ground zero, Boyer said.

Government observers at a number of highrise Las Vegas gambling resorts also felt the shaking, as did residents in the small communities of Rachael and Hiko, Nev.

The vertical shaft that housed the nuclear weapon was plugged with cement and grout to prevent radiation from escaping into the atmosphere. Helicopters and other aircraft circled ground zero to monitor any accidental radiation leaks but none were detected. Boyer, stationed at a "control point" about 30 miles from ground zero, said that, from all indications, "the test was a success."

The detonation was planned for 9 a.m. But it was delayed, first because of unspecified technical problems and finally when the four protesters ran onto ground zero in an attempt to halt the blast.

"They ran out of the bushes. We were on a technical hold at the time. The three women were running very close together and very fast. They were on ground zero when we sighted them on our closed circuit television," Boyer said. "They had been hiding in the pinion trees and brush."

Michael Terry of the Rocky Mountain Peace Center, who guided the women through the desolate high desert country to ground zero, attempted to flee. Security guards chased him down in their all-terrain vehicles.

The protesters, Lorna Richardson, 25, of London; Juley Howard, 23, of Bristol, England; Jane Gregory, 27, of London; and Terry were taken to Beatty, Nev., about 100 miles from Las Vegas, and booked on charges of trespassing. Greenpeace had notified the Energy Department Tuesday that the three British women and their guide had infiltrated the 1,350-square-mile test site.

Since 1962, British and American scientists have conducted 22 joint nuclear weapons tests. Prior to Wednesday, the last British nuclear weapons test in Nevada, code named "Barnwell," took place on Dec. 8, 1989. It also had a yield of 20 to 150 kilotons, meaning a maximum equivalent yield of 150,000 tons of dynamite.

Code named "Houston," the Wednesday test was the eighth announced at the Nevada Test Site this year and the 707th since the test site became operational in 1951. The test was No. 502 since the United States and the Soviets signed the Limited Test Ban Treaty in 1963 that outlaws open-air detonations.

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#90318u1327 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 15) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Atlanta - Named Chuck LaMar director of scouting and player development and Paul Snyder special assistant to the general manager.

Minnesota - Named Ron Gardenhire third- base coach, Terry Crowley batting coach and Russ Nixon manager of Portland of the Pacific Coast League.

New York (NL) - Named Chuck Hiller assistant minor league field coordinator and Josh Gibbons roving coaching instructor.

BASKETBALL

Sioux Falls (CBA) - Waived forward Terrence Rayford; signed forward Eric White.

COLLEGE

Gannon - Announced resignation of women's soccer coach Steven Ropski.

YACHTING

America's Cup Organizing Committee and Challenger of Record Committee - Named Cy Gillette (U.S.), Paul Henderson (Canada), Graeme Owens (Australia) Carlo Rolandi (Italy), John Ripard (Malta) to jury for 1991 International America's Cup Class World Championships.

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#90318u1351 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2559.65	up	24.25
20 Trans	877.59	up	9.80
15 Utils	208.75	off	0.32
65 Stocks	896.68	up	7.11

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(NOV. 14) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Agnico-Eagle Mines (3rd Q 9-30)	
$17,480,000	$8,749,000
d-$2,554,000	d-$172,000
d-Deficit.	
BMJ Financial (3rd Q 9-30)	
....	....
d-$1,086,000	$1,905,000 (.47)
d-Deficit.	
Canada Malting (3rd Q 9-30)	
$101,165,000	$83,441,000
a-$10,093,000 (.82)	$4,183,000 (.45)
a-Includes gains of $1,150,000 from foreign exchange and $6,183,000 from sale of real estate assets.	
Amounts in Canadian dollars.	
Canandaigua Wine Co (4th Q 8-31)	
$45,093,113	$42,968,948
$1,113,265 (.26)	$605,673 (.14)
Consumers Financial Cp (3rd Q 9-30)	
....	....
$17,021,000 (.09)	$1,062,000 (.29)
Durham Corp (3rd Q 9-30)	
$4,316,000	$51,000
$8,459,100 (.51)	$8,444,000 (.01)
Eastex Energy Inc (3rd Q 9-30)	
$26,094,000	$33,010,000
d-$190,000	d-$347,000
d-Deficit.	
Grt Amer Mgmt & Inv (Year 7-31)	
$2,092,300,000	a-$1,334,000,000
b-$47,600,000 (4.29)	$2,200,000 (.06)
a-Restated to reflect discontinued operations.	
b-Includes $6,900,000 tax-loss carryforward.	
Longs Drug Store (3rd Q 10-25)	
$556,743,000	$509,852,000

$11,964,000 (.59) $12,709,000 (.62)

Mobile Telecommunications (3rd Q 9-30)
$17,140,369 $9,222,277
d-$5,534,579 d-$4,076,411
d-Deficit.

Nymagic Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$4,876,183 $5,244,568
$8,814,487 (.55) $8,798,484 (.60)

Orbit Instrument (1st Q 9-30)
$15,329,000 $15,063,000
$523,000 (.06) $367,000 (.04)

Rouse Co (3rd Q 9-30)
$130,630,000 $122,466,000
$707,000 1,525,000 (.02)

Sanmark-Stardust Inc (1st Q 9-30)
$38,322,000 $36,270,000
$1,244,000 (.08) $1,093,000 (.07)

Sceptre Resources (3rd Q 9-30)
$59,200,000 $45,600,000
d-$1,300,000 d-$21,200,000
d-Deficit.

Thermadyne Holdings (3rd Q 9-30)
$114,100,000 $113,300,000
d-$11,100,000 d-$10,500,000
d-Deficit.

Todd Shipyards (2nd Q 9-30)
$50,536,000 $48,848,000
$13,294,000 (2.96) d-$2,459,000
d-Deficit.

Trans World Air (3rd Q 9-30)
$1,341,896,000 $1,267,770,000
ad-$14,671,000 d-$29,886,000
ad-Deficit, after extraordinary gain of $9, 267,000 from repurchase of long-term debt.
d-Deficit.

Transcapital Fincl (3rd Q 9-30)
....
d-$24,143,000 d-$2,201,000

d-Deficit.

Turner Broadcasting (3rd Q 9-30)
$415,767,000 $269,329,000
a-$1,348,000 b-$35,193,000 (.10)
a-Reflects .07 per share loss after accretion of preferred stock dividends.
b-Includes a $38,800,000 non-recurring gain from tax settlement.

United Financial (3rd Q 9-30)
....
d-$199,887 $801,018 (.79)
d-Deficit.

Washington REIT (3rd Q 9-30)
....
$4,234,206 (.27) $3,848,761 (.25)

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#90318u1365 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (NOV. 14) UPI - Tesoro Petroleum Corp. said Wednesday higher gross margins from refined products and increased crude production helped generate profits of $7 million in fiscal fourth quarter which raised earnings for the year to $22.7 million.

Earnings per share in the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30 totaled 34 cents and for the year 96 cents.

In the fourth quarter of last year, the company lost $14 million and for the year, the loss was $30.5 million.

Revenues during the fourth quarter totaled $307 million, up from $218 million in the same period of last year. For the year, revenues totaled $1 billion, compared to $767 million.

Last year's loss included net charges of $25.8 million.

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#90318u1377 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:
Stocks - 179,310,000 shares
1990 to date - 34,974,471,300
Warrants - 1,487,500
1990 to date - 227,026,300

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(NOV. 14) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 174.68 up 1.37
ASE Market Value Index 297.87 up 2.31
Dow-Jones Industrial 2559.65 up 24.25

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#90318u1384 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:
Stocks - 11,040,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,979,351,680
Bonds - $3,130,000
1990 to date - $649,088,000

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#90318u1388 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Wednesday - $43,720,000
1990 to date - $9,681,713,000

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#90318u1398 11/14/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (NOV. 14) UPI - Financial services concern Equifax Inc. said Wednesday that it has sweetened its previously announced stock-swap acquisition of check-guarantee firm Telecredit Inc.

The revised deal, which has a price tag of about $600 million, provides for each share of Telecredit to receive 2.8625 shares of Equifax. The original transaction, announced in June, called for a 2.69- to-1 exchange ratio, but it also contained the stipulation that the 2.69 shares equal at least $50.

As a result, Telecredit called off the scheduled completion of the deal last week because Equifax stock had not been trading at the required average price of $18.60 a share in the 15 days prior to the merger. But Telecredit also said at that point that it had started talks with Equifax to revise the deal.

The merged companies will form an information services concern with annual revenues in excess of $1 billion and more than 17,000 employees.

Equifax, of Atlanta, controls about 40 percent of the nation's $1.5 billion credit-reporting business, while Los Angeles-based Telecredit guarantees about $7 billion worth of checks each year.

The amended agreement must be approved by the directors and shareholders of both companies, but analyst Joseph Stieven of Stifel, Nicholas & Co. of St.

Louis said those approvals are likely.

''This is a totally logical agreement that makes sense for both companies,'' Stieven said. ''There is a lot of potential for revenue enhancement.''

Stieven said that the revised agreement was not a surprise. ''We had estimated that Equifax could afford to pay about 3 shares for each Telecredit share,'' he said.

Equifax stock was trading in the $20 a share range at the time that the deal was announced, but has dropped over the past five months partly because of an overall decline in the market and partly because of concerns that demand for Equifax's credit reporting services may drop off in a recession.

Equifax stock fell $1.875 to close at $14.375 a share Wednesday on the New York Stock Exchange. Telecredit was up $3.25 to $39.50 a share in late afternoon cver-the-counter trading.

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#90318u1401 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Jurors Wednesday intently watched a videotaped statement of one of two teenagers on trial for gang raping a woman jogger, listening in silence as he described how youths beat her and left her to die in Central Park woods.

Throughout the graphic, 90-minute tape, Kharey Wise, 18, slumped forward in his chair at the defense table, shielding his face from the video monitor as his recorded words filled the courtroom at state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

Wise, who made a second more damaging videotape, said in the first tape that he was watching the April 19, 1989, attack in Central Park from behind a tree. In the second tape, which the jury is expected to watch Thursday, he admitted participating in the attack and holding down the jogger's leg while others raped her.

In the tape played Wednesday morning, Wise said the gang chased down the woman as she jogged through Central Park, beat her and dragged her into a muddy gully. They raped her, used a rock to bashed her into unconsciousness and then left her to die.

''When you saw her in the woods, did you think she was going to die?'' Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer asked him on the videotape.

''Yes,'' Wise answered.

''You left her there?'' Lederer pressed.

''I didn't want to be there,'' he answered.

''You didn't call the police?'' she asked.

''I didn't want to be there, ma'am. I had enough. I was running from the police,'' Wise answered.

Wise and Kevin Richardson, 16, are on trial on 13 criminal charges, including rape and attempted murder of the 30-year-old investment banker.

Six youths have been indicted in the Central Park rampage, including three teenagers who were convicted of rape and assault in the first trial earlier this year.

In the first trial, jurors acquitted the three youths of attempted murder because they did not believe they realized how seriously they had injured the woman.

In his videotape, Wise shuddered as the prosecutor showed him photographs of the jogger's bloody body. But minutes later referred to the gang rape and beating as an ''accident.''

''You call that an accident?'' Lederer asked incredulously on the tape.

''An accident is when somebody slips and falls down. You saw people drag her down and beat her up so that she looks the way she does in these pictures. You call that an accident?''

Wise had no reply.

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#90318u1402 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 12 points higher to 9 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	73.67	74.75	73.67	73.99	73.87
Mar	73.60	74.29	73.50	73.58	73.66
May	73.81	74.40	73.80	73.80	73.85
Jly	74.05	74.50	74.02	74.02	74.00
Oct	67.91	68.05	67.76	67.76	67.83
Dec	65.70	65.88	65.51	65.51	65.60
Mar	66.35	....	....	66.30	66.35

Estimated sales: 7,500 contracts

Open interest: 44,974 off 156

The World spot average: 69.74

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#90318u1405 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 298.87, low 295.39, close 297.87, up 2.31.

There was a gain of 7 cents in the average share price.

Volume 11,040,000 shares, compared with 9, 720,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	12
New Lows	35
Advances	320
Declines	216
Unchanged	259
Total Issues	795

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#90318u1423 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday:

Stock	Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	75,864,984	37 7/8	unch
Apple Comp	(AAPL)	60,769,272	37	up 1
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	49,136,148	31 7/8	up 1/4
Telecredit	(TCRD)	48,675,080	39 1/2	up 3 1/4
Micrsoft Comp	(MSFT)	47,207,800	69 1/2	up 7/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	44,892,068	30	up 1 1/4
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	36,844,216	52 3/4	up 1 1/4
Tele Comm A	(TCOM)	31,591,826	11 7/8	up 3/8
StPaul Bancp	(SPBC)	31,470,374	60 5/8	up 1 1/8
Reuter Holdgs	(RTRS)	23,813,866	38 3/8	up 1 1/8

Composite Index 157.03 up 1.81

NMS volume 105,540,600 shares.

Advances	902
Declines	620
Unchanged	1,265
Total	2,787

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) UPI - In a Paris summit that will be one of the largest gathering of world leaders in history, President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev will sign three agreements designed to officially end the Cold War.

The Nov. 19-21 Paris summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe will be a personal triumph for the two superpower leaders, but it will also be a satisfying moment for CSCE countries, who started the Cold War thaw with the Helsinki Agreement 15 years ago.

That treaty, addressing border issues in Europe and insisting on the respect for human rights was the breakthrough that led to the collapse of communism, which was symbolized by the tearing down of the Berlin Wall. The centerpiece of the Paris summit will be the signing of three documents:

- A Conventional Forces in Europe treaty, sharply reducing the numbers of tanks, troops, artillery, and aircraft in Central Europe. The treaty, to be signed by members of NATO and the Warsaw Pact, will cut most sharply into the Warsaw Pact forces, since they were most numerous to begin with and because the eastern alliance is in a state of collapse.

Bush made U.S. participation in the Paris summit contingent on the final agreement on the CFE treaty. After some final problems were resolved last month, the treaty is now being completed in Vienna.

- A non-agression pact, in which the 22 nations belonging to NATO and the Warsaw Pact, pledge "never to be the first to use force" against the other alliance or countries within the alliances.

According to U.S. officials, the agreement is mostly important to Eastern European countries, such as Hungary and Romania. That is because they have more to fear from each other from nationality disputes than they do from the western military alliance.

- A document charting the future of CSCE, setting up a small secretariat in Prague and establishing a Conflict Prevention Center in Vienna, sort of a multinational hot line, in which the 34 members states will exchange information about their military maneuvers and other actions which might trigger suspicion in the part of other states.

Briefing reporters at the White House, Baker said, "The gathering in Paris will embody in microcosm the new Europe that is still in the process of evolving - its various actors, its institutions and its concerns.

"It will be a trans-Atlantic constellation of leaders representing the established democracies, a united Germany, the newly emerging democracies of

Central and Eastern Europe, and of course, a reforming Soviet Union. For the first time in 40 years, Europe will be meeting and discussing and planning, without an artificial East-West divide to block progress."

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	65 5-8	up 3-8
AT&T Company	33 3-4	up 5-8
BCE Inc	34	unch
Bell Atlantic	53 1-4	up 3-8
BellSouth Corp	53 1-8	unch
Exxon Corp	50 1-4	up 1-4
Ford Motor Co	29 1-2	up 1 1-8
Genl Electric	55 1-8	off 3-8
General Motors	39 7-8	up 7-8
GTE Corp	28 5-8	off 1-4
IBM Corp	113 1-2	up 1 1-2
Mobil Oil Corp	57 5-8	off 1 1-8
Nynex Corp	71 3-8	up 3-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24 1-8	unch
Pacific Telesis	46 3-8	up 3-8
Phila Electric	16 1-2	off 1-8
Sears Roebuck	26 3-8	off 1-8
Southern Co	26	off 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	53	up 1-4
US West Inc	36 7-8	off 1-8

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	27.05-27.10	28.20-28.30
North Sea Brent	31.47-31.52	32.75-32.85
West Texas Intermed	31.15-31.20	33.15-33.20
Light Louisiana Sweet	32.20-32.30	34.25-34.30
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	84.40-84.65	86.60-87.10
No. 2 Heating oil	85.65-85.90	87.35-87.45

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products
(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	78.40-78.65	82.10-82.35
No. 2 Heating oil	83.80-84.05	85.45-85.70

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MIAMI (NOV. 14) UPI - Cult leader Yahweh Ben Yahweh pleaded innocent to racketeering charges in Miami federal court Wednesday while being represented by his new attorney, impeached U.S. District Judge Alcee Hastings.

Yahweh and 16 members of his sect are charged with murder and other acts of terrorism. After the hearing before U.S. Magistrate William Turnoff, Hastings - who was impeached last year for judicial misconduct in the very same courthouse - refused to comment on his new client.

"The only thing we are asking and the great hope would be that the media would not make this matter a circus. We're in a very dignified proceeding and I represent a very dignified religious leader, not withstanding judgments that others may have," said Hastings, a former candidate for governor and Florida Secretary of State.

Turnoff ordered Yahweh and three other members of his group to remain held at Metropolitan Correctional Center pending a bond hearing Tuesday. Prosecutors said they would ask that the defendants be held without bond until the trial on grounds they are a danger to the community and a risk of flight.

Yahweh, who usually dresses in a white robe and a turban, came to court handcuffed and wearing khaki prison garb. He waved and smiled at other white-robed followers who attended the hearing.

Hastings' decision to represent Yahweh followed from the withdrawal earlier in the day of Ellis Rubin, who had been representing the self-proclaimed Second Coming of Christ, his congregation and businesses for four years.

Rubin said he decided to withdraw after a meeting with Yahweh, who is also known as Hulon Mitchell Jr., Tuesday night at MCC. Yahweh was arrested Nov. 7 at a hotel in New Orleans' French Quarter and brought to Miami Tuesday afternoon.

"Although we parted amicably, we were not able to agree to the terms of our continued representation. We hope he and the others can get a fair trial," Rubin said in a statement. He declined further comment.

Rubin was first contacted by Yahweh when Robert Rozier, then a member of the order of black Hebrew Jewish sect, was charged with shooting two men to death when the Yahwehs tried to take over an Opa-Locka apartment complex they had

purchased.

Rubin's firm eventually became legal counsel for Yahweh Ben Yahweh, members of the group and the cult's Temple of Love Inc., which owns millions of dollars worth of real estate and property in Dade and Broward counties.

Like Hastings, Rubin also expressed concern about media coverage of the case. At a news conference Tuesday he said the Yahwehs may be unable to get a fair trial because of extensive media coverage that was based primarily on details released by the government.

He said the government's indictment was based solely on statements by Rozier, a man he called a "serial killer" who was "singing his head off to save his own life." The defendants are charged in 18 acts of racketeering including 14 murders, two attempted murders, arson and extortion. Three of them were still at large.

Authorities have said more than 12 witnesses are prepared to testify about the 1983 beating death of a karate expert at the cult's Temple of Love. Investigators also indicated they have linked Yahweh cosmetic bottles to homemade firebombs hurled in a Delray Beach neighborhood four years ago.

Hastings entered the governor's race last year after the U.S. Senate removed him from the federal bench. He abandoned that attempt in April after having difficulty mounting a campaign and announced in May that he would run for Secretary of State. He lost in the Democratic primary.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) UPI - A congressional committee report released Wednesday on food labeling blames the Reagan administration for a proliferation of misleading health claims, but Republican panel members blasted the report as ''ideologically motivated.''

The report, based on an investigation by a subcommittee of the Democrat-dominated House Government Operations Committee, charged interference by the Reagan White House in a Food and Drug Administration rulemaking resulted in ''the proliferation of misleading health claims on foods.''

The report states pressure from the Office of Management and Budget prompted the FDA in 1987 to permit health claims on food labels, reversing a 81-year prohibition on such claims.

''Companies such as Kellogg's, Land-O-Lakes, and Quaker Oats exploited the weaknesses in the 1987 proposal by placing deceptive health claims on product labels that FDA failed to take any enforcement action against,'' according to the subcommittee report.

In an unusual move, the report - which had been approved on the subcommittee and full committee levels - was released with bitter dissenting remarks by the panel's ranking Republican and an equally divisive counterattack by the panel's Democratic chairman.

Partisan bickering is common in committee or floor debates and dissension is often noted in official congressional reports, but the bitter attack and counterattacks in a subcommittee's report is rare.

In a 13-page attachment, Rep. Richard Armey, R-Texas, called the report ''another ideologically motivated subcommittee assault on American capitalism and Republican administrations who support creating wealth through capitalism instead of imposing poverty through bureaucracy.''

Armey continued, ''While it may be chic in some quarters to incite class warfare by trashing American business entrepreneurs ... if the chic view were our national policy today, chances are we would be issuing a report on why we have no food to eat instead of fretting about what goes on a food's label.''

In response, subcommittee Chairman Ted Weiss, D-N.Y., noted the report was approved without opposition at the subcommittee and full committee levels and chastised Armey for not being present at either meeting.

''It is obvious from the bitter and abusive nature of the dissent that its author preferred diatribe to debate,'' Weiss wrote. ''The dissenting views are otherwise unworthy of reply.''

Three Republicans on the full committee countered with yet another attachment, charging ''the Human Resources Subcommittee has a long history of being this committee's most partisan and uncooperative subcommittee.''

The three, Reps. Al McCandless of California, Howard Nielson of Utah and Jon Kyl of Arizona said they opposed the committee report and approved Armey's avenue of dissent while not agreeing with it in total.

In a press release applauding the subcommittee report, Weiss said it shows ''OMB's total control over the FDA's health claims policy'' and gives the White House office credit ''for supermarket shelves being flooded with misleading health claims.''

Congress just approved the first comprehensive set of food labeling guidelines in 17 years. Lawmakers say they are stronger than FDA's proposals being considered.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) UPI - Constantly testing student achievement and performance is like "pulling up a carrot to see how it's growing" and devotes time that could be better used for instruction, the head of the nation's largest educational testing service said Wednesday.

In a speech at the National Press Club, Gregory Anrig, president of Educational Testing Service, said America's educational system has room for improvement, but more tests are not the solution to ensure better student performance.

"It isn't necessary to test every child to know how children are doing," said Anrig. "We keep pulling up the carrot to see how it's growing and that kind of accountability testing cuts into valuable instruction time."

The testing service also released several reports Wednesday that indicated the nation's push for education reform in the 1980s showed some positive results but overall, "The hallmark of the decade was a move toward greater equality rather than a move toward greater excellence," said Anrig.

"What we're seeing is a lag in the effects of reform in terms of gains. You could say the bottom is coming up but we're still flying at a low altitude," he said. "The reforms of the '80s probably did all they could do."

One ETS report showed that at end of the 1980s, 42 states had raised high school graduation requirements, 47 states had begun statewide student testing programs, 39 states imposed changes in teacher standards and many states adopted accountability programs, said ETS Vice President Nancy Cole. "What we're trying to do now is understand the decade of reform and its themes and see how those themes are changing," she said.

Cole outlined how leadership in earlier education reform was largely federal and the educational targets "focused on basic skills, and the mechanism to measure those skills was by testing."

"As we near the end of the reform decade, we begin to see changes," she said. "There are many more actors and leaders in the process - teacher groups, subject matter associations, it's much more diffuse. And the new thinking on testing will play a role in the coming years to demonstrate performance."

It would appear that more time devoted to teaching and less time devoted to testing should be the course of action if educational reform is to make any more gains, said Anrig.

"Yes, you must do accountability testing because these are public schools funded by public money, but you must do it as efficiently and cost-effective as possible," he said.

However, more attention paid to assessment, "which helps improve instruction

and which is very different from standardized testing," is one key means of ensuring quality in education, said Anrig.

"The teacher must be the leader in the 1990s," he said. "What is needed now is not a national test. That will detract from the flexibility needed for education in the 1990s."

In a release, Anrig cited a parts of a letter written to administration's Education Policy Advisory Committee on educational goals for the new decade:

"The way to improve quality and productivity is by giving teachers and school officials more control at the classroom level," he wrote. "What is needed is not another test but strategies to promote higher standards, clearer expectations for schools to achieve these standards and demonstrations that these standards and expectations can be met successfully."

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(NOV. 14) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	228.95	232.10	228.65	230.90	228.90
Mar	231.30	234.10	231.20	233.05	231.00
Jun	....	....	....	235.45	233.40

Previous day volume: 96 contracts.

Open interest: 1,272 up 15

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	319.10	323.75	318.40	321.70	319.15
Mar	321.75	326.30	321.10	324.35	321.80
Jun	....	329.10	324.30	327.35	324.80
Sep	....	331.80	327.30	330.25	327.80

Today's estimated volume: 47,093 contracts.

Open interest: 160,009 up 675

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	173.85	176.40	173.55	175.30	174.00
Mar	175.05	177.25	175.00	176.60	175.25
Jun	....	....	....	177.90	176.55

Open interest: 4,753 off 139

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	531.75	541.00	531.25	537.85	532.35
Dec	533.75	543.30	533.70	540.20	534.70
Jan	538.20	545.25	538.20	542.05	536.70

Estimated volume 3,544 contracts.
Open interest: 8,386 up 207

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LIMA, PERU (NOV. 14) UPI - Strikes by government economists, tax collectors, doctors and communications workers threaten the chances for success of President Alberto Fujimori's emergency economic plan, analysts said Wednesday.

Since Fujimori took office as Peru's head of state July 28, walkouts by public- and private-sector employees have contributed to a sharp drop in productivity, signaling a deep recession, said observers.

According to official figures, workers striking for higher pay in October skipped the equivalent of 2 million man hours, meaning a fall in productivity.

Peru's gross domestic product decreased by 14.5 percent in August and by a steeper 25.6 percent in September. These compare with a drop in GDP of 1.2 percent between January and September.

By industry, the largest decreases in production were in fishing and construction, according to official statistics.

In August, Fujimori lifted controls on currency exchange and prices and raised utility rates in a plan aimed at breaking astronomical rates of inflation. Inflation soared to 397 percent in August before falling back to 13.8 percent in September and 9.8 percent in October.

Analysts have noted the dampening of inflation was accompanied by walkouts of workers demanding salary hikes - a trend they said was paralyzing the economy.

An estimated 350,000 federal workers, members of the Inter-sector Confederation of State Workers, entered the seventh day of an indefinite strike Wednesday.

Luis Iparraguirre, leader of their Inter-sector Confederation of State Workers said workers are demanding salary increases that would take effect at the beginning of December.

Iparraguirre said the union refused an offer by Juan Hurtado Miller, who serves as both prime minister and economy minister, to give workers a ''Christmas bonus'' of a minimum-wage salary immediately and wage increases starting in January.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) UPI - A banker-commissioned study blamed the rival Farm Credit System with unwisely fueling the escalation of land values in the 1970s but, like land in the hard times of the 1980s, some people aren't buying it. "Just from the conclusions, I'd say the whole thing is ridiculous," Ken Auer, FCS executive vice president, said Wednesday.

Auer said the study, released at the American Bankers Association's annual meeting of agricultural bankers, ignored "a whole lot of things that happened in the period."

Farmland values spiraled an average 14 percent a year during the 1970s, a period of flush prices and dizzying growth in the export market, to peak at an average of $823 an acre in 1982. They plunged 27 percent during the 1980s farm recession to a low of $599. Values have recovered since then, reaching $693 at the start of this year.

"The villian in this boom (and) bust," according to the study by Bert Ely and Vicki Vanderhoff, was a 1971 law allowing the Farm Credit System to loan money based on the market value of a piece of land, rather than its income-producing value.

"Instead of acting as a check on borrowers' understandable exuberance, the Farm Credit System fed it with easy credit," the authors wrote. "All speculative bubbles eventually burst and farmland was no exception."

In prepared comments, Ely said the huge increase in farm subsidy spending during the 1980s was "a result of the damage caused by Farm Credit System overspending." The American Bankers Association and the Farm Credit System are long-time competitors.

Early this year, the government noted commercial banks had regained the lead as the single largest source of farm credit. The Farm Credit System was the leader for most of the 1980s.

Ely's study was released shortly after two Agriculture Department economists published a bulletin saying speculative manias "have most likely not occurred in farmland markets." As evidence, they noted that land rental rates, which would be based on likely income, were closely linked to land prices throughout the 1970s.

Economists Fred Kuchler and Abebayehu Tegene also discounted the argument that aggressive lending policies sparked the surge of the 1970s in land prices.

"That conclusion appears to be incorrect but the evidence does not rule out

the possibility that aggressive lending, reflected in lower mortgage rates or greater volumes of credit, could have caused investors to re-evaluate their expectations," Kuchler and Tegene wrote. "The lenders probably made farmland a better investment."

Kuchler and Tegene pointed to sharp changes between the 1970s and the 1980s in many key areas that could have influenced investments. In the 1970s, high inflation rates, comparatively low interest rates, strong commodity prices and burgeoning exports made land attractive. The 1980s were charactorized by high U.S. interest rates, a strong dollar, a fizzle in exports, global recession and larger farm output in other nations.

"Instead of evidence of a speculative bubble, the price changes may show that farmers actually used forecasts cautiously in their business planning," they said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	371.69	223.47	141.52	22.25	317.67
Opening	372.13	224.35	141.43	22.28	317.99
11 a.m.	372.41	224.42	141.06	22.36	318.14
Noon	373.32	225.54	141.24	22.55	319.02
1 p.m.	373.61	225.77	140.99	22.50	319.09
2 p.m.	374.94	227.78	141.21	22.62	320.22
3 p.m.	376.30	228.56	141.71	22.67	321.35
Close	375.22	227.56	141.53	22.53	320.40
Change	up 3.53	up 4.09	up 0.01	up 0.28	up 2.73

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) UPI - The Pentagon should be sure it is not risking too much by simultaneously developing and producing the V-22 Osprey tiltrotor aircraft, a plane that has shown a vibration problem in testing, the General Accounting Office suggested Wednesday.

In a report on the controversial plane, the investigative arm of Congress said testing has only just started and even with a two-year slip in the pilot production decision the high rate of concurrency - developing and producing the plane at the same time - it is impossible to know now if the plane will be ready for production in 1992 as planned.

The report also said the plane has an "unacceptable" problem with vibrations during flight. The report said the contractor - a team composed of Boeing's helicopter division and the Bell Helicopter unit of Textron - is working on a variety of fixes for the aircraft. "Whether these fixes prove workable for production aircraft will not be known until they are tested," said the report.

The plane is also heavier than expected and the contractors said they think they can cut back 1,600 pounds of the 2,822 overage. If the additional 1,200 pounds cannot be shaved from the airframe and engines, the manufacturers are proposing to certify the drive system to take an additional 370 horsepower to meet performance requirements. But the report noted that even that change could add weight or reduce range.

Rep. William Dickinson, R-Ala., the senior Republican on the House Armed Services Committee, released the report and said it introduced "some needed objectivity into what has been too often a tortured, incomplete debate."

The Pentagon has said it would like to buy the plane but budget constraints make that impossible. The issue has been hotly debated in Congress and it has been kept alive over the Pentagon's objections.

"Even if the Congress decides to continue the V-22 program," the report concluded, "the program's status and high concurrency make it impossible to know at this point whether it will be ready for production in fiscal yaer 1922 as the program office plans.

As a result, we recommend that prior to obligating the fiscal year 1991 long-lead funds (items that must be ordered now to be ready in 1992) the Secretary of Defense certify that the risks of concurrency are being managed and that the V-22 program schedule is being met."

One of the plane's biggest congressional boosters, Rep. Curt Weldon, R-Pa., said the report did not debate whether the plane was best for the military. He said there had been "no major showstoppers" in the flight test program and the plane has less concurrency than other major aviation programs. "Continued full scale development of the V-22 has allowed us to identify and correct minor technical problems," said Weldon.

"While our Marines are training in the sands of Saudi Arabia, we on Capitol Hill are discussing whether or not to provide them with state-of-the-art equipment," he added.

Current spending plans project making a decision on pilot production in December of next year. If approved, ten planes could be built over two years, four in 1992 and six more in 1993.

About five percent of the projected flight test hours have been flown in the

developmental aircraft. Operational testing is expected to start next May. The aircraft is intended to replace aging CH-46 helicopters to transport Marines from ship to shore.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.89	up 0.22
10 Public Utils	91.74	up 0.01
10 Industrials	88.05	up 0.44

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 384.90 up 5.15.

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NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 14) UPI - A law to deprive illegal drug-makers of needed chemicals has given the United States a big victory in its first year, but a major loophole remains to be closed, a top Drug Enforcement Administration official said Wednesday.

Gene Haislip, DEA deputy assistant administrator for the Office of Diversion Control, said there was a 45 percent decline in seized clandestine laboratories and a 50 percent drop in the export to Colombia of chemicals used to process cocaine.

"This represents one of the largest law enforcement victories that we have achieved in recent years," Haislip said. Despite the law, he said some distributors knowingly and intentionally have been supplying illegal drug-makers with large quantities of ephedrine. The non-prescription tablet frequently is advertised as a "body stimulant" or "energizer" but it can be used to make methamphetamines.

"This is a serious loophole in the law and we will ask the Congress to address it as soon as possible," Haislip said. He also said South American cocaine processors, cut off from U.S. chemical supplies, have increasingly gone to European sources. He called on other nations to ratify a recent United Nations treaty against illicit drug trafficking.

The federal Chemical Diversion and Trafficking Act took full effect last November. It requires chemical manufacturers and distributors to keep records for review by the DEA. The records include reports on certain orders and transactions and proof of identity of customers. The law also requires reports to the DEA of any import, export or transshipment throught the U.S. of certain chemicals.

"There is no doubt in my mind that the suppliers of these chemicals are now exercising a degree of surveillance and self-policing under this new legislation that has helped us make possible this enormous law enforcement gain," Haislip told a news conference ending a DEA-chemical industry conference on the new law.

The law has resulted in a sharp decrease in the export to South America of chemicals used to process cocaine - acetone, toluene, ethyl ether, potassium permanganate and methyl ethyl keytone or 2-butanone.

Shipments from the U.S. dropped from 7,933 metric tons in 1988 to 6,912 metric tons in 1989, and the projected total for 1990 is 3,384 metric tons. However, as the U.S. supply dried up, shipments from Europe to Colombia increased from 4,738 in 1988 to 16,632 last year.

K. James O'Connor, an associate director of the Chemical Manufacturers Association, said the problem of diverting chemicals to drug traffickers required international cooperation. "Chemicals that may be diverted to illegal drug-making are produced and traded all over the world," he said.

He urged all nations to ratify the United Nations convention against illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances as an important first step in fighting the international drug problem. The United States was one of the first nations to sign the treaty, which took effect two weeks ago

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2533.66	2581.19	2522.77	2559.65	up 24.25
20 Trans	866.31	885.54	862.43	877.59	up 9.80
15 Utils	209.07	210.26	206.80	208.75	off 0.32
65 Stock	888.83	904.18	883.91	896.68	up 7.11

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	18,662,900	18,976,400
Trans	3,879,000	3,886,000

Utils	3,058,900	2,620,900
65 Stock	25,600,800	25,483,300

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.89	up 0.22
10 Public Utils	91.74	up 0.01
10 Industrials	88.05	up 0.44

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 125.92 off 1.26.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.90	8.00	8.45
91-day Treasury bills	7.27	7.27	7.64
182-day Treasury bills	7.37	7.40	7.41
1-year Treasury bills	7.32	7.32	7.18
3-year Treasury notes	7.70	7.73	7.68
7-year Treasury notes	8.24	8.27	7.79
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.52	8.53	7.87
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.92	8.98	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.70	9.70	9.20
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.90	8.90	8.80
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.14	9.18	8.77
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.36	9.40	9.05
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.34	9.38	9.03

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	297.87	up	2.31
High Technology	304.95	up	2.07
Capital Goods	307.79	up	2.13

Consumer Goods	374.44	up 3.91
Service	680.12	up 12.24
Retail	956.96	up 17.42
Financial	346.72	up 0.06
Natural Resources	219.73	up 0.25
Housing-Const-Land	220.02	up 0.03

There was a gain of 7 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS		
New England	393.67	up 5.55
Mid Atlantic	398.48	up 5.12
No Central	390.05	up 5.14
So Atlantic	833.41	up 1.59
So Central	300.12	up 6.60
Mountain	105.33	off 0.95
Pacific	334.84	up 1.25
Foreign	216.19	up 0.01

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(NOV. 14) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	21	18	11
New lows	50	45	109

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	991	108,425,200
Declines	535	50,229,300
Unchanged	465	20,655,500
Total	1,991	179,310,000

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(NOV. 14) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	12
New lows	35

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	327	4,723,000
Declines	226	3,443,500
Unchanged	258	2,873,500
Total	811	11,040,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Limited Inc	6,429,500	15 1/8	off 1/4
Citicorp	2,593,900	14	up 5/8
Schering-Plough	2,144,400	43 3/4	off 2 1/8
Philip Morris	2,010,800	48 7/8	up 3/8
IBM Corp	1,968,900	113 1/2	up 1 1/2
Equifax Inc	1,892,000	14 3/8	off 1 7/8
Amer Express	1,840,300	22 1/4	off 1/4
BankAmerica	1,702,800	23 7/8	up 5/8
Fed Nat Mtge	1,651,100	32 1/2	up 1/8
PepsiCo	1,593,000	25 5/8	up 3/8
Hone Depot	1,538,800	35 1/4	up 1 5/8
Wal Mart Stores	1,482,800	29 3/8	up 1/8
Chase Manhattan	1,444,600	11 1/8	up 1/8
MCA Inc	1,426,500	65 1/2	up 3
General Elec	1,373,000	55 1/4	off 1/4

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(NOV. 14) UPI - President Bush received a conditional caution light to proceed with the massive U-S military buildup in the Persian Gulf today. But Democrats made it clear that Congress must be consulted before troops go on the offensive.

Iran's foreign minister delivered a message from his president when he met with Iraq's Saddam Hussein in Baghdad today. The foreign minister is the highest-ranking Iranian diplomat to visit Iraq since the 1979 Islamic revolution.

American and British scientists exploded a nuclear weapon deep under the Nevada desert today after fixing technical problems and arresting Greenpeace infiltrators. Three British women and their guide tried to block the test by hiking to ground zero shortly before the blast.

A top U-N official has accused Western nations of trying to monopolize leadership of the Geneva-based U-N Commission for Refugees. The agency is charged with providing care for 15-Million refugees around the world.

In Moscow, deputies of the Supreme Soviet have voted overwhelmingly to demand that President Gorbachev appear before them at an emergency session Friday. Many Soviet lawmakers blame Gorbachev for the nation's economic crisis and for

what some call a paralysis of power.

Celebrities including actress Carol Channing and rapper L-L Cool Jay are kicking off the 14th Great American Smokeout in New York today to get smokers to kick the habit for at least 24 hours, and maybe forever. The smokeout, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, begins at midnight.

Three French Impressionist paintings owned by the late reclusive actress Greta Garbo sold at auction today for 16-Million dollars at Sotheby's gallery in New York City. A fourth painting by Renoir had been expected to fetch two- or three-Million dollars, but failed to sell.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	175.09	173.24	174.68	up 1.37
Industrial	216.32	214.12	215.77	up 1.88
Transport	137.78	135.47	137.16	up 2.05
Utility	90.01	89.64	89.96	up 0.03
Finance	117.75	116.06	117.40	up 1.38

Equivalent to a gain of 24 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 179,310,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - The stock market closed sharply higher Wednesday in active trading, boosted by falling oil prices and by another strong showing by financial issues.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which lost 4.95 Tuesday, added 24.25 to close at 2559.65.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 1.37 to 174.68 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index gained 2.73 to 320.40. The price of an average share rose 24 cents.

Advances thumped declines 1,002-522 among the 1,991 issues traded. Big Board volume totaled 179,310,000 shares, up from 160,240,000 traded Tuesday.

Stocks opened lower but turned higher and then sharply higher when oil prices began to fall. December crude oil futures were down $1.96 to $31.16 a barrel in late trading after crude oil inventories were reported late Tuesday to have risen.

''A lot of it had to do with crude,'' said Dale Tills, manager of institutional equity trading at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco. ''And when bonds started rallying, we hit our highs. But then we sold off a little on some profit taking late in the day.''

Oil prices are an inflation indicator, so Wednesday's drop in oil spurred gains in Treasury bonds, which in turn fed the rally in stocks. But a late bout of profit taking after the market's 100-point runup took the Dow down about 10 points from its highs for the day.

Tills said the cut in interest rates which the Federal Reserve is widely expected to make this week to try and shore up the economy helped financial issues lead the market higher.

''Banks were strong, there's some feeling of stability there now after they got beat up. There's just a better feeling in the market, sentiment is better '' he said.

The Fed did add funds to the banking system Wednesday, a move which has the effect of lowering short-term interest rates.

But the key rate it is designed to affect was unusually high because of technical factors, so analysts dismissed Wednesday's maneuver as being the signal of a rate cut the market has been waiting for. ''I don't think it had a lot to do with the loosening of credit, I don't think we've seen any evidence of that yet,'' Tills said.

On the trading floor, The Limited was the most active issue, off 1/4 to 15 1/8. On Tuesday, the retailer reported flat third-quarter earnings, at the low end of analysts' expectations.

Citicorp followed, up 5/8 to 14 as banks continued to benefit from the expected drop in interest rates. Schering-Plough was third, sinking 2 1/8 to 43 3/4.

IBM was also active, up 1 1/2 to 113 1/2 after the Wall Street Journal's ''Heard on the Street'' column said the stock appears to be on its way back from a recent slump.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T gained 5/8 to 33 3/4, Merck added 1 3/4 to 84 3/8 and Eastman Kodak rose 7/8 to 42 1/8. General Motors gained 7/8 to 39 7/8 after reporting higher early November car sales and USX climbed 1/2 to 32 1/4 after investor Carl Icahn said he has formed a group to push for a

restructuring.

Elsewhere, MCA surged 3 to 65 1/2 after reports that a buyout by Matsushita may be near completion. Reports said top executives will meet in New York within a week to close the deal.

And First City Bancorp soared 1 3/8 to 5 1/8. In response to an inquiry by the exchange, the bank said it knew of no reason for the unusual activity.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 214,698,420 shares, compared with 201,185,400 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices gained in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index rose 2.31 to close at 297.87. Advances led declines 326-226 among the 813 issues traded. The price of an average share rose 7 cents. Composite volume totaled 13,511,600 shares vs. 12,016,100 traded Tuesday.

Western Digital led the Amex issues, up 3/8 to 5 1/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 3.98 to close at 356.85.

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(NOV. 14) Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6275	up 100
GEICO Corp	150	up 12 1/2
Enron Corp pf	204 1/8	off 7 3/4
Beneficial pfC	188 1/2	up 6
Capital Cities	394	off 6
CBS Inc	165 1/8	off 5 1/4
Rhone Poulenc	63	off 3 1/2
ITT Corp pfK	80	up 3
MCA Inc	65 1/2	up 3
Conseco Inc	25 1/8	up 2 7/8
Matsushita El	126 1/4	off 2 3/4

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals

100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	356.96	352.05	356.87	up 4.00
Industrial	380.36	375.38	380.36	up 4.42
Finance	352.07	345.98	351.95	up 5.02
Insurance	421.18	416.43	419.98	up 0.52
Utility	503.90	489.59	501.32	up 8.20
Bank	251.84	246.90	251.25	up 2.93
Transport	388.58	383.91	384.67	off 3.65

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	157.04	up 1.82
Industrial Index	151.16	up 1.81
NASDAQ-100 Index	384.90	up 5.15
(largest non-fin'cl)		
Average price per share	8.10	up 0.08
Volume	105,540,600	shares
Advances	902	
Declines	620	
Unchanged	1,265	
Total	2,787	

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter --day as supplied by NASD.

Volume	130,809,800
Advances	1,804
Declines	790
Unchanged	2,339
Total	4,213

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PROVIDENCE, RI (NOV. 14) UPI - Rhode Island's Catholic leader blasted a local TV station for its recent news series on "Love in the Rectory" and announced to parishioners he has canceled telecasts of Thanksgiving and Christmas masses on the station.

In a letter to be published in the Diocese of Providence's newspaper Thursday, Bishop Louis E. Gelineau said he was "outraged" by the "cavalier treatment given to the Catholic faith and the Catholics of Rhode Island" in the series,

which aired on WPRI-TV, East Providence, on Nov. 7, 8, and 9. About 65 percent of Rhode Island's more than 900,000 residents are Catholic - the highest percentage in the United States.

Gelineau said that as a "first step" he "must cancel all arrangements for the production and telecast" of the masses, though he recognized the inconvenience it may cause Catholic viewers. He did not say what his next steps, if any, might be.

"In conscience, I cannot ignore what has happened," said the letter, which was published in the Providence Visitor and sent last week to Robert Finke, vice president and general manager of WPRI. "It's their prerogative," Finke said. "I feel bad they canceled it. I think it served a need and I feel bad they felt a need to do that."

"Love in the Rectory" began by stating that, since 1984, several Rhode Island priests had been accused of sexual assault. It went into detail on two cases in particular.

One involved the Rev. William O'Connell, a pastor at St. Mary's in Bristol who was convicted of molesting boys in the parish and sentenced to a year in jail. The other focused on a former chaplain at Rhode Island College, the Rev. Robert Marcantonio, who is accused of sexually assaulting a young teenage boy while a graduate student at Iowa State University.

Marcantonio's alleged victim graphically recounted the sexual acts he says he and Marcantonio engaged in. The series also included a study by a psychotherapist and former priest on the frequency with which priests break their vow of celibacy.

Gelineau said he was most offended by the station showing the sacrament of the Eucharist - during which Catholics believe bread and wine are turned into the body and blood of Christ - while discussing the subjects of pedophilia and celibacy.

"Using the Eucharist as a backdrop for the distasteful commentary of this segment is an insult to faithful Catholics everywhere," the letter said. "It is little wonder then that our phones have not stopped ringing with calls from those offended by such insensitivity."

Gelineau acknowledged that some priests fail to remain celibate and that there are a few who are guilty of pedophilia. But he insisted there are "many more teachers, child care providers and parents, for example, who molest young children."

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Average yields for money-market mutual funds declined in the latest reporting week, while rates at competing savings and loan institutions were mixed, organizations tracking the figures said Wednesday.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.34 percent, down from 7.38 percent the previous week, and 30-day simple yields were 7.40 percent, down from 7.42 percent.

The average maturity of fund portfolios was unchanged at 49 days.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.85 percent, off from 5.86 percent; Super-Now accounts, 4.96 percent, up from 4.95; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.39 percent, down from 7.41; 1-year CDs, 7.47 percent, down from 7.50 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.57 percent, down from 7.60; and five-year CDs, 7.78 percent, down from 7.79 percent last week.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.08 percent, down from 8.16 percent the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.61 percent from 9.65 percent. The average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage eased to 9.94 percent from 9.96.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan rose to 12.23 percent from 12.22 percent last week.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austral	.000189	.000190	5282.00	5272.00
Australia dlr	.7715	.7670	1.2962	1.3038
Austria schill	.0965	.0962	10.36	10.40
Belgium franc-c	.0329	.0328	30.39	30.45
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0087	.0091	114.36	109.60
Britain pound	1.9600	1.9640	.5102	.5092
Britain 1-mo	1.9499	1.9536	.5128	.5119
Britain 3-mo	1.9321	1.9357	.5176	.5166
Britain 6-mo	1.9100	1.9156	.5236	.5220

Canada dollar	.8606	.8584	1.1620	1.1650
Canada 1-mo	.8576	.8554	1.1661	1.1691
Canada 3-mo	.8519	.8500	1.1738	1.1765
Canada 6-mo	.8448	.8430	1.1837	1.1862
Chile peso-f	.003278	.003280	305.03	304.89
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001867	.001871	535.67	534.38
Denmark krne	.1766	.1768	5.6620	5.6550
Ecudr sucre-z	.001182	.001179	846.30	848.25
Egypt pound	.3627	.3627	2.7572	2.7572
Finlnd mrkka	.2821	.2820	3.5450	3.5460
France franc	.2013	.2010	4.9675	4.9745
France 1-mo	.2010	.2007	4.9758	4.9830
France 3-mo	.2003	.2000	4.9935	4.9993
France 6-mo	.1991	.1989	5.0220	5.0285
Greece drach	.006649	.006656	150.40	150.23
Hollnd guildr	.6022	.5999	1.6605	1.6670
HongKong dlr	.1284	.1284	7.7908	7.7900
India rupee	.0556	.0555	17.98	18.01
Indo'sa rupia	.000538	.000539	1858.00	1857.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.8200	1.8120	0.5495	0.5519
Israel shekel	.5068	.5112	1.9730	1.9560
Italy lira	.000900	.000899	1110.75	1112.00
Japan yen	.007751	.007710	129.02	129.70
Japan 1-mo	.007763	.007716	128.82	129.60
Japan 3-mo	.007808	.007764	128.07	128.80
Japan 6-mo	.007817	.007905	127.92	126.50
Jordan dinar	1.5555	1.5603	.6429	.6409
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000345	.000346	2900.00	2894.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6100	.6089	1.6393	1.6423
Norway krne	.1733	.1730	5.7720	5.7800
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	424,535	428,475
P'pnes peso-z	.0364	.0364	27.46	27.46
Portugl escud	.007717	.007719	129.59	129.55
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5840	.5846	1.7122	1.7105
S.Africa rand	.3973	.3973	2.5172	2.5167
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010670	.010684	93.72	93.60
Sweden krona	.1805	.1805	5.5400	5.5410
Switzrl franc	.8022	.8006	1.2465	1.2490
Switzrl 1-mo	.8020	.8003	1.2469	1.2495
Swirzrl 3-mo	.8010	.7996	1.2484	1.2507

Switzrl 6-mo	.7999	.7985	1.2502	1.2524
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0374	26.76	26.77
Turkey lira	.000366	.000366	2731.00	2732.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0202	.0203	49.40	49.25
Germany mark	.6791	.6760	1.4725	1.4792
Germany 1-mo	.6788	.6758	1.4731	1.4798
Germany 3-mo	.6774	.6745	1.4762	1.4826
Germany 6-mo	.6751	.6724	1.4813	1.4873
Yugosl dinar	.0987	.0984	10.13	10.16

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL - Brazilian President Fernando Collor de Mello said Wednesday that his government might pay some back interest on its $116 billion foreign debt, thereby ending a 17-month undeclared moratorium.

His statement, the strongest public commitment he has made on payments since taking office in March, came in an interview with Brazilian television filmed in Tokyo, where he attended the enthronement of Emperor Akihito.

The charismatic Collor, 41, also attacked Brazilian business leaders, whom he said had resisted his economic crash recovery plan.

In recent weeks the Brazilian government has floated several proposals to pay debt arrears to international institutions, creditor nations and commercial banks. But Collar had not yet made his own position clear.

The government ''is studying the possibility that Brazil may pay $2.5 billion of its foreign debt this year,'' Collor noted.

''We will see how far we can go with this counterproposal that has been made '' Collor, said, adding that he was confident Brazil will soon reach a pact with creditors on refinancing the largest Third World debt.

Last month, Brazil proposed to private bankers that the part of the debt they hold be converted into bonds on which interest would be paid over periods from 15 to 45 years, then redeemed by Brazil at market value.

But private banks have refused to discuss any proposal until Brazil pays part of the estimated $9 billion in overdue interest which has accrued since the de

facto moratorium began in June 1989. The non- receipt of Brazilian interest has contributed to the troubles of several large U.S. banks.

The absence of an agreement with the banks has hindered Brazil from receiving a $2 billion loan from the International Monetary Fund, sources said.

From Tokyo, Collor launched a broadside at Brazilian business interests which are resisting his economic plan. ''Forget about corporate interests,'' he told them, ''and think a little more about Brazil.''

''We need to have love for our homeland instead of love for our own pockets.''

Brazilian business leaders have criticized Collor's anti-inflation plan which has failed to check rising living costs. Monthly bank interest rates in Brazil have soared to 30 percent for some local currency loans.

Consumer inflation, at 13.71 percent in October, was expected to reach better than 15 percent in November. Yet that represented an improvement from the 82 percent inflation rate seen when Collor assumed power.

Collor blamed the recent inflation increase on the Persian Gulf crisis, which has dramatically increased world oil prices. Brazil imports 40 percent of the 1.1 million barrels of oil it consumes daily.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	9.36	10.04
Anchor Fund Inv	14.72	15.62
Delaware Mutual	16.81	18.03
Fidelity Fund	16.24	16.24
Investor Mutual	10.89	11.47
Investor Stocks	18.08	19.03
Investor Select	8.39	8.83
IDS Equity Plus	8.72	9.17
MFS Growth Stk	8.34	8.99
Nicholas Income	3.05	3.05
Utd Accumulated	6.09	6.66
United Income	16.60	18.14
Vang Wellington	16.16	16.16

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 14) UPI - A man who pleaded guilty to poisoning his 9-year-old son with insecticides as part of a murder-suicide plan was sentenced Wednesday to 25 years to life in state prison.

Ronald E. Rennie, 38, pleaded guilty last month to first-degree murder in exchange for the dismissal of special circumstance allegations that would have qualified him for a possible life term without parole.

Rennie, who did not face a possible death penalty, was sentenced by Van Nuys Superior Court Judge Judith Ashmann.

Rennie's son, Christopher, 9, died during a 1988 Father's Day weekend visit to his father's townhouse. The boy died from a combination of prescription drugs and fumes from nine insecticide foggers stationed throughout the house, officials said.

Prosecutors said they have evidence, including three suicide notes and cremation certificates for father and son, that show that Rennie planned to kill himself after killing his son. Authorities say Rennie was driven by depression and failed finances.

Despite his guilty plea, defense attorney Susanne Greene said Rennie wanted only to kill himself. Greene said Rennie gave his son tranquilizers so the boy would sleep through his own suicide attempt.

Greene conceded that Rennie had placed the foggers throughout his residence, but said he did so to eradicate a bug problem, not kill his son.

''He adored his son - his son was the most important person in his life,'' the defense attorney said.

Before his death, Christopher lived with his mother, Punnee Rennie, who had divorced Ronald Rennie in 1983.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 442.60, up 0.85 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90318u1679 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - A federal judge Wednesday sentenced former Wall Street speculator John Mulheren Jr. to a year and a day in prison for conspiring with fellow wheeler-dealer Ivan Boesky to illegally manipulate stock prices.

Mulheren also was fined $1,681,700 for his July 10 conviction on four counts of conspiracy and securities fraud that included conducting sham stock transactions and insider trading.

The burly defendant showed no emotion as he was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Miriam Goldman Cedarbaum. Behind him, his white-haired father, John Mulheren Sr., wept.

Mulheren was convicted after a seven-week trial on charges of manipulating the stock price of Gulf & Western Inc., now Paramount Communications Inc., so Boesky could get a good price for the 4.9 percent stake he held in the company after a failed takeover attempt.

Cederbaum sentenced Mulheren to a year and a day on each of the four felony counts - to be served concurrently. That would mean he could be eligible for parole in two months.

The judge also indicated previous time in custody would be taken into consideration.

Cedarbaum said she was imposing prison time because she wanted everyone to ''be aware that anyone who tampers with the stock market will be punished, will go to prison.''

The judge said she figured the fine of $1,681,700 by calculating the amount of loss by Gulf & Western stockholders between 11:04 a.m. and 11:16 a.m. on Nov. 16, 1985, when the stock was manipulated.

His lawyer, former U.S. attorney Thomas Puccio, said he would appeal the conviction. Meanwhile, Mulheren remained free on bail.

During his trial, Mulheren testified he was unaware Boesky had any holdings in Gulf & Western when Mulheren bought a large chunk - driving up the price - just before Boesky sold his stake back to the company.

Mulheren was named when Boesky turned government informant in a 1986 plea bargain to settle insider trading charges.

Tips from Boesky also led to federal charges against junk bond king Michael Milken, who reached a plea agreement with the government in April and was expected to be sentenced sometime next week.

Mulheren and Boesky once were good friends, and Mulheren was named trustee of an estate for Boesky's children.

However, Mulheren was arrested in 1988 for carrying an assault rifle in his car at his Rumson, N.J., home after allegedly threatening to shoot Boesky for informing on him.

His family blamed the incident on his failure to take the lithium he uses to control manic depression. He is on probation in connection with the gun charges.

Boesky's appearance as the government's star witness marked the first time he publicly described the insider trading scandals that rocked Wall Street in the late 1980s.

He told of a ''stock parking'' arrangement under which he sold Unocal Corp. stock to Mulheren, with agreements that any profits would be funneled back to Boesky through inflated brokerage fees and that Boesky would repurchase the stock at a later date.

Boesky's credibility on the witness stand came under sharp attack by Mulheren's defense lawyer, who forced the admitted insider trader to concede he had lied ''several times'' while under oath before the Securities and Exchange Commission and in official government documents.

The most damaging testimony against Mulheren, however, came from his former partner Edward McCarthy, who said he had several conversations with Mulheren about illegal securities trades with Boesky.

Testifying under immunity from prosecution, McCarthy said Mulheren asked him to keep separate records of the Unocal stock ''because it was Ivan's.''

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#90318u1681 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

BELLEVUE, Wash. (NOV. 14) UPI - Government health experts Wednesday launched a nationwide, federally funded program to detect hepatitis B among pregnant women and immunize their infants against the serious liver infection.

Doctors from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases told public health officials at the first of a series of regional conferences that efforts to stop hepatitis B have largely failed despite the availability since 1981 of safe and effective vaccines.

The reason, they said, is that those identified in high risk catetories for the infection - intravenous drug users, sexually active heterosexuals and homosexuals, health care workers and certain ethnic groups - usually contract the disease long before the health care system reaches them for prevention.

The new program, backed by $10 million in federal money this year and $11 million in 1991, seeks to educate doctors and the public about the need for a simple blood screening for women during pre-natal care or even at the time of delivery to find carriers of the virus and then immunize their infants.

In this way, the immunization would likely protect the newborns from ever contracting the disease or spreading it to others.

Statistics gathered by the CDC show that only 40 percent of doctors were testing pregnant mothers for hepatitis in 1989, even though the test is the same as the one used to screen blood donors.

An estimated 300,000 new cases of hepatitis B are reported in the United States each year, primarily through contact with infected blood, saliva, semen or breast milk. Of those, about 10,000 require hospitalization and 350 die. Another 4,000 deaths per year are attributed to hepatitis B-related cirrhosis of the liver, as are 800 more due to hepatitis B-related liver cancer.

Efforts to combat the disease have been undermined by the fact that at least half the number of carriers - estimated at between 750,000 to 1 million people in the U.S. - display no symptoms whatsoever and thus pass on the virus undetected. Once someone becomes infected, prevention methods are useless and there is no cure.

But health experts hope that by targeting the 19,000 or so carrier mothers giving birth each year to babies who nearly always become susceptible to infection, despite displaying no symptoms at birth, a major cycle contributing to the spread of hepatitis B will be broken.

Immunization would be administered through one shot of hepatitis B immune globulin within 12 hours of birth and two shots of hepatitis B vaccine, one at birth and the second after six months.

The cost of the testing both to the public and private sectors would be about $105 million per year, versus the estimated annual cost of $360 million spent treating the effects of hepatitis down the road, said Dr. Walter Orenstein, director of immunization programs at the Atlanta-based CDC.

While doctors are being informed about the need and cost effectiveness for universal testing of pregnant women for hepatitis B, women can take charge on their own by demanding such tests as part of normal pre-natal care, he said.

''Here is where a mother can do something for her unborn child,'' Orenstein said. ''The risk is from that mother, who is a carrier, transmitting to her child and then continuing that carriage into further generations and further generations, leading to complications and death many years later in an insidious fashion.''

Orenstein stressed that parents must make sure that the doctor performing the delivery is aware of the test results, since action must be taken within the first 12 hours to prevent HBV infection in the newborn.

An effective plasma-derived hepatitis B vaccine was introduced in 1981. More

recently, recombinant DNA technology produced a non-plasma- based vaccine in 1987 and a second was introduced in 1989. The cost of one dose is about $7.50.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney authorized the activation of up to 72,500 more members of the National Guard and Reserve Wednesday to support operations in and around Saudi Arabia.

The authorization is not a call up, but enables the military to dip further into reserve forces if necessary.

If all reservists were sent to the gulf region it could push the total American deployment to more than 500,000 troops. There are more than 230,000 U.S. forces in the region and the Bush administration announced plans last week to virtually match that commitment.

So far 35,562 personnel in the selected reserve have been activated.

The authorization for additional forces was not unexpected.

A senior Pentagon official said Tuesday more guard and reserve activations would result from the administration's decision to dramatically increase the size of the regular armed forces assigned to Saudi Arabia for Operation Desert Shield.

The new order raises the call-up ceiling to 80,000 for the Army, which previously had been authorized to activate up to 25,000 reservists. By Tuesday the Army was almost at its ceiling level.

The order boosts the Air Force authority to 20,000 positions from 14, 500. The Navy ceiling was raised last week from 6,300 to 10,000, and the Marine Corps ceiling was raised with Wednesday's order from 3,000 slots to 15,000 personnel. The ceiling of 1,250 positions for the Coast Guard reserve remained unchanged.

The selected reserve includes about 1.16 million uniformed personnel.

So far 24,524 Army personnel, 4,616 Navy, 5,278 Air Force, 1,144 Marine Corps and 511 Coast Guard personnel have been activated.

The Pentagon is allowed to activate reservists under a presidential order which limits the call up to no more than 200,000 members of the selected reserve at any one time.

Cheney noted in a statement that the U.S. military is designed with the combat support and combat service support role built into the reserve forces.

''As we increase the deployment of actice duty forces, we must also call up more members of the National Guard and Reserve to get the supporting forces we need,'' he said.

Combat units may be ordered to undergo refresher training and to validate their mission readiness before being sent overseas.

Members of the reserve, under authority given to the Pentagon by President Bush Tuesday, may be called to active duty for a total of 180 days, doubling the initial limit.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - National League Cy Young Award winners:

1990-Doug Drabek, Pittsburgh 1989-Mark Davis, San Diego 1988-Orel Hershiser, Los Angeles 1987-Steve Bedrosian, Philadelphia 1986-Mike Scott, Houston 1985-Dwight Gooden, New York 1984-Rick Sutcliffe, Chicago 1983-John Denny, Philadelphia 1982-Steve Carlton, Philadelphia 1981-Fernando Valenzuela, Los Angeles 1980-Steve Carlton, Philadelphia 1979-Bruce Sutter, Chicago 1978-Gaylord Perry, San Diego 1977-Steve Carlton, Philadelphia 1976-Randy Jones, San Diego 1975-Tom Seaver, New York 1974-Mike Marshall, Los Angeles 1973-Tom Seaver, New York 1972-Steve Carlton, Philadelphia 1971-Ferguson Jenkins, Chicago 1970-Bob Gibson, St. Louis 1969-Tom Seaver, New York 1968-Bob Gibson, St. Louis 1967-Mike McCormick, San Francisco

One winner for both leagues 1966-Sandy Koufax, Los Angeles (NL) 1965-Sandy Koufax, Los Angeles (NL) 1964-Dean Chance, California (AL) 1963-Sandy Koufax, Los Angeles (NL) 1962-Don Drysdale, Los Angeles (NL) 1961-Whitey Ford, New York (AL) 1960-Vern Law, Pittsburgh (NL) 1959-Early Wynn, Chicago (AL) 1958-Bob Turley, New York (AL) 1957-Warren Spahn, Milwaukee (NL) 1956-Don Newcombe, Brooklyn (NL)

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - Doug Drabek, who anchored the pitching staff that helped the Pittsburgh Pirates win their first division title since 1979, Wednesday won the National League Cy Young Award.

Drabek was a near unanimous choice as the league's top pitcher, receiving 23 of the 24 first-place votes cast by a committee of the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

The 28-year-old right-hander collected 118 points and was second on the remaining ballot that went to second-place finisher Ramon Martinez of the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Martinez received 21 second-place votes and 70 points. Frank Viola (19) and Dwight Gooden (8) of the Mets and Cincinnati reliever Randy Myers (1) rounded out the voting, based on 5 points for first, 3 for second and 1 for third.

Drabek went 22-6 with a 2.76 ERA and held together a mediocre starting rotation that was strengthened by the second-half acquisition of left-hander Zane Smith. Drabek was 13-2 in the second half of the season and he came within one out of pitching a no-hitter Aug. 3 against Philadelphia.

''It was just one of those seasons where everything seemed to go my way from start to finish,'' Drabek said. ''It was probably the most consistent I've had. I got a lot of run support and defensive help. The offense really helped me out this year. The bullpen, we had a lot of guys kind of in and out and in different spots, and they did a good job. I think they got overlooked a lot.''

Drabek is only second Pirate to win the Cy Young Award, following Vern Law in 1960.

In the playoffs against Cincinnati, Drabek started Games 2 and 5. The Pirates lost a tough 2-1 decision in Game 2, but Drabek kept Pittsburgh alive by pitching masterfully in Game 5. The Reds wrapped up the best- of-seven series two nights later.

The Pirates obtained Drabek in a trade with the Yankees for Rick Rhoden after the 1986 season. He moved into the rotation and went 11-12 his first NL season. He followed with two solid seasons before breaking through with a career year in 1990.

Martinez, 22, had a stellar year for the Dodgers after Orel Hershiser went down with a season-long injury. The Dominican right-hander went 20- 6 and kept Los Angeles in the pennant race.

Viola faltered badly in the second half for the Mets. He started 13- 3, but went 7-9 after the All-Star break.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Suspended				
KRUG International Corp				
Stock Split				
Clayton Homes Inc - 5-for-4				

Extra				
USLIFE Income Fund	..	.01	12-3	11-26
Increased				
Atmos Energy Corp	Q	.30	12-10	11-26
Johnson Controls	Q	.31	1-2	12-7
Nordson Corp	Q	.20	1-3	12-7
Wallace Computer Svcs	Q	.12 1/2	12-20	12-3
Usual				
American Intl Group	Q	.11	3-22	3-8
Arkla Inc	Q	.27	12-14	11-26
BanPonce Corp	..	.34	12-28	12-7
BMA Corp	Q	.30	12-4	11-27
Calif Real Estate IT	..	.10	12-12	11-28
Foote Cone & Belding	Q	.30	1-2	12-17
Gerber Products Co	Q	.30	12-10	11-26
Kerr-McGee Corp	Q	.36	1-2	12-7
NACCO Indus Inc A&B	Q	.15	12-14	12-3
New Jersey Resources	Q	.37	1-2	12-15
Pittway Corp	Q	.15	12-27	12-7
Pittway Corp cl-A	Q	.27 1/2	12-27	12-7
Quaker Oats Co	Q	.39	1-15	12-21
St Joe Paper Co	..	.05	12-26	12-10
Sears Reebuck & Co	Q	.50	1-2	12-3
TNP Enterprises Inc	Q	.40 3/4	12-15	11-30
USLIFE Income Fund	..	.23	12-3	11-26
Wetterau Inc	Q	.16	12-31	11-28

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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#90318u1762 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV 14) UPI - Lawyers for Pan Am Corp. and UAL Corp. worked Wednesday to beat a midnight deadline for drafting a final agreement for the sale of Pan American World Airways' highly coveted U.S.-London routes and other Pan Am assets to United Airlines.

Lawyers worked into the night to get the $400 million proposal into shape, and both sides expressed hope the final documentation could be completed by the midnight deadline set in the tentative accord announced by the two companies last month.

A spokesman for Pan Am in New York, where lawyers for the two companies were meeting, said an extension was unlikely.

''They're still meeting now,'' Pan Am spokesman Jeff Kriendler said at 5:30 p.m. EST.

''Talks will probably go on for several hours yet but we're hopeful an agreement will be reached,'' Kriendler said, noting the midnight deadline.

A spokesman at UAL headquarters in Chicago's suburban Elk Grove Village expressed confidence that agreement would be reached, though he said it might not be announced until morning.

A Pan Am spokeswoman said Tuesday the company was ''confident'' a final deal would be forged by the close of business Wednesday. Asked if the company was still confident late Wednesday, Kriendler emphasized that ''hopeful'' was a more appropriate word.

Should the Pan Am-UAL deal fall through, Carl Icahn and his privately held Trans World Airlines Inc. were waiting in the wings with a $450 million offer to buy out Pan Am lock, stock and barrel.

Analysts said the TWA proposal appeared to be of questionable value. The $3-a-share offer provided stockholders only $1 a share in cash. The remainder would take the form of preferred stock and notes with a face value of $2.

Analysts, however, noted that both Pan Am and TWA have huge debts, and that the preferred stock and notes would trade at deep discounts - with cash value estimated at as little as 50 cents a share.

That would make the face value of the Icahn offer less than the selling price of Pan Am stock - which gained 12.5 cents to close at $1.875 a share Wednesday on the New York Stock exchange. UAL gained $1.25 to $101.625 in Wednesday's trading.

But Robert Decker, airline analyst for Chicago-based investment advisers Duff & Phelps, suggested Wednesday that Pan Am might find a snag its talks with UAL convenient - allowing Pan Am directors to give the Icahn offer more careful study.

Pan Am and United announced a tentative agreement Oct. 23 under which United would acquire a number of Pan Am's European routes, as well as terminal facilities at San Francisco International, London Heathrow and Washington Dulles airports and two Boeing 747-200 aircraft for $400 million.

Since then, both Icahn and Texas-based AMR Corp., parent of American Airlines, have expressed interest in Pan Am - in whole or in part.

AMR said it was interested in Pan Am London routes being sold to UAL, and estimated the routes to be worth about $500 million.

That prompted a Philadelphia shareholder to file a derivative action suit in Delaware Chancery Court accusing Pan Am directors of gross waste of corporate assets, mismanagement and reckless breaches of their fiduciary duties.

The suit was pending.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 14) UPI - U.S. banking regulatory and thrift bailout agencies filed a $6.8 billion claim Wednesday against Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., the former employer of junk bond czar Michael Milken, alleging the firm ''plundered'' more than 40 savings and loan institutions through securities transactions.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., which guarantees bank deposits, and the Resolution Trust Corp., created to oversee the bailout of the savings and loan debacle whose final cost has been projected at $500 billion, accused the Wall Street firm of ''bribery, coercion, extortion (and) fraud.''

Drexel Burnham Lambert Group Inc. filed for bankruptcy in February because of its inability to raise fresh capital after paying out $575 million in 1989 on losses related to the high-risk, high-yield junk bonds and settling federal charges the year before by agreeing to pay $650 million in penalties.

But its main subsidiary, Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., the primary operating unit of the Drexel empire, was not included in the filing.

A joint FDIC/RTC statement said the agencies' filing in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in New York charges that Drexel, working with others, ''willfully plundered the S&Ls.''

It said Drexel ''maintained the appearance of a market for junk (bonds) that would not otherwise exist'' to disguise securities losses.

L. William Seidman, chairman of both the FDIC and the RTC, said the agencies would develop the charges in an ongoing investigation.

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#90318u1850 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 14) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney today authorized the military to call up an additional 75-thousand 500 National Guard and Reserve support troops for Operation Desert shield. The troops could be called up for duty in and around Saudi Arabia, but that's NOT expected. The Pentagon has activated more than 35-thousand members of the selected reserve since the buildup began in the Persian Gulf.

Swiss officials say it was raining, but visibility was good and there was NO fog or heavy cloud cover when an Italian airlines D-C-9 crashed five miles from the airport in Zurich, Switzerland, today. Rescue workers probing the fiery wreckage recovered 10 bodies three hours after the crash. Authorities fear all 40 passengers and six crewmembers aboard the Alitalia plane were killed. The flight was on a short 45-minute hop from Milan to Zurich.

At the Kennedy Space Center, work is proceeding smoothly at pad 39-A for tomorrow's night launch of the space shuttle Atlantis on a secret military mission. The latest revised forecast says there's only a 40 percent chance weather will delay the mission, which is expected to orbit a spy satellite.

A congressional panel is blaming the Reagan administration for weakening federal food labeling requirements. The report for a subcommittee of the House Government Operations Committee says the Reagan White House interferred with rule-making at the Food and Drug Administration. According to the report, the result was ''the proliferation of misleading health claims on foods.''

The Soviet government today removed controls on prices of luxury goods. That means the prices of things like fur coats, jewelry, cosmetics and liquor could double in most of the country tomorrow. However, the Parliament of the Russian Federation is defying the central government. It rejected the increases until its legislators approve them.

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#90318u1879 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker will travel next week to Colombia where drug traffickers have brought the country to a standstill with a reign of terror.

Baker's spokeswoman, Margaret Tutwiler, said Wednesday that Baker will fly to Colombia at the conclusion of President Bush's European summit trip on Nov. 21.

No date or location was given for the Baker trip, but it was announced that the secretary will meet with Colombian President Cesar Luis Gaviria.

The South American nation has been disrupted by a drug terrorist campaign to break the government's policy of extraditing suspected drug leaders to the United States.

Baker will leave Washington on Thursday when he will fly to Geneva for meetings on the Persian Gulf crisis with the foreign ministers of Ethiopia, Ivory Coast and Zaire.

The African countries are members of the United Nations Security Council, where the United States is pushing for a resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq.

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#90318u1996 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

FRANKFURT, GERMANY (NOV. 14) UPI - Swede Stefan Edberg needed more than 2 1/2 hours Wednesday night to shake off Andre Agassi, 7-6 (7-4), 4-6, 7-6 (7-5) on the second day of the $2 million ATP Finals, and Boris Becker began his assault on the summit of tennis with a difficult 4-6, 6-3, 6-3 victory over Andres Gomez.

U.S. Open champion Pete Sampras had an easier time, defeating Emilio Sanchez of Spain 6-2, 6-4 with his powerful forehand and a devastating first serve.

Sampras, rebounding from his opening loss to Andre Agassi, kept alive his hopes of a semifinal berth in this eight-player round-robin event. Sanchez dropped his second straight match.

After 2 hours and 35 minutes, Edberg's forehand volley on second match point at 12:20 a.m. Thursday proved unanswerable for Agassi, sending the world's top player into the semifinals.

Becker, who was questionable for this tournament because of a thigh injury suffered 10 days ago, can become the No. 1 player for the first time if he wins this tournament and Edberg fails to make it to the final.

The German star lacked the mobility to answer Gomez's returns and passing shots in the first set. Gomez, the French Open champ from Ecuador who is ranked No. 6, captured the set in 47 minutes with the first break of the match on a crackling return.

In the second set, Becker took advantage of Gomez's errors. He won three games in a row, including two breaks, to win the set 6-3.

A near capacity crowd of almost 8,000 in the Festhalle saw Becker approach top form in the third set. He managed two more breaks and was never in any real danger. Becker wrapped the two-hour match up on his second match point.

Sanchez, a clay-court specialist who fell to Edberg in his first match, made many unforced errors against Sampras and has only a dim chance to advance.

Sampras used two breaks and two strong service games to run off four straight games and take the first set in 25 minutes.

He blew a good opportunity in the opening game of the second set, missing two breakpoints. Both players held before Sanchez faltered at 4- 4, unable to counter Sampras' attacking net game. The 19-year-old California then held serve to capture the match.

Each victory is worth $50,000 and 50 world ranking points.

Thursday's schedule is Ivan Lendl-Gomez, Becker-Thomas Muster and Agassi-Sanchez.

Edberg and Sampras have a day rest before their encounter Friday.

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#90318u2007 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

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President Bush today got a warning from Democratic leaders in Congress. The leaders said the president will have to consult Congress in detail if he decides to go to war against Iraq. Bush invited bipartisan congressional leaders to the White House amid congressional unease over a major addition of U-S forces in the Persian Gulf. The leaders ruled out any immediate call for a special session of Congress to debate U-S policy in the Gulf.

Swiss authorities fear all 46 people aboard an Italian airlines D-C-9 were killed today when the plane crashed just before landing at Zurich, Switzerland. Officials say Alitalia Flight 404 crashed in woods about five miles north of Kloten Airport while on a 45-minute hop from Milan to Zurich. They say visibility was good but it was raining. Hours after the crash, authorities recovered 10 bodies. But they say parts of the wreckage is still burning.

More violence marred the three-week-old strike at the New York Daily News today. Authorities say about a dozen men with baseball bats and sticks stopped a Daily News delivery truck in Brooklyn and beat the driver and an assistant. Police say the driver was NOT hurt, but the assistant was taken to a hospital with a possible broken arm. The incident is the fifth strike-related act of violence this week.

In Geneva, Switzerland, the largest diamond ever sold today fetched a record price of nearly 12-Million dollars at a Sotheby's auction. The 101-pointshaped diamond, with a rare ''D'' white color classification, was bought on behalf of an anonymous person during the auction at a luxury Lake Geneva hotel.The previous record for a gem was nine-pointpoint-91 carat white diamond at a New York Sotheby's auction in April 1988.

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(NOV. 14) UPI - The Pentagon authorizes more reserve call up... An Italian airlines plane crashes in Switzerland... And former Wall Street speculator John Mulheren gets a prison sentence... U-P-I has these top stories and more, next.

In a move that was NOT unexpected, Defense Secretary Chaney today authorized the activation of up to 72-thousand more members of the National Guard and Reserve.

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The authorization is NOT a call up. Rather, it allows the military to dip further into reserve forces if necessary.

If all reservists under the latest order were sent to the Persian Gulf region, it would push the total American troop deployment to more than half-a-Million. Currently, there are more than 230-thousand U-S forces in the region. Last week, the Bush administration announced plans to virtually match that commitment.

That announced major addition to U-S forces in the gulf has caused worries on Capitol Hill. Today, congressional leaders met at the White House with President Bush and voiced their concerns about the possibility of military action to drive Iraq from Kuwait.

The meeting ran almost twice its scheduled hour duration. Bush assured lawmakers the U-S military position in Saudi Arabia remains defensive- NOT offensive.

Afterwards, congressional leaders gave the president a conditional yellow light to pursue his military build-up. And they ruled out any immediate call for a special session of Congress to debate U-S policy in the gulf.

But Democratic leaders warned Bush that Congress will have to be consulted in detail if he elects to go to war against Iraq.

The president plans to pay a Thanksgiving Day visit to U-S troops in Saudi Arabia. Some lawmakers suggest that Bush may address the American people after his return in a further bid to make clear U-S interests and objectives in the gulf.

Egypt's President Mubarak and Iraqi and Soviet envoys shuttled around the Middle East today to discuss a call for an Arab summit on the Persian Gulf crisis.

It was Morocco's King Hassan who proposed the meeting. Pro-Kuwaiti states such as Saudi Arabia say a new summit would only succeed if Iraq recognized

resolutions passed at an Arab gathering in Cairo.

That summit... held August 10th, eight days after Iraq invaded Kuwait... sanctioned the dispatch of Arab troops from Egypt, Syria and Morocco to the gulf to deter further Iraqi aggression.

Egypt has NOT officially responded to Hassan's summit call. Only three members of the Arab League... the Palestine Liberation Organization, Jordan and Mauritania... have accepted.

Baghdad has said it will only attend a summit if it can have a say in the agenda, and if the order sanctioning the dispatch of Arab troops to the gulf is rescinded.

Amid the diplomatic activity, Iraq's Saddam Hussein issued a presidential decree. Baghdad Radio says Saddam appointed a prominent member of the ruling Baath party as governor of what was described as the Iraqi province of Kuwait.

On the hostage front... the Voice of America today broadcast a message to U-S nationals still held in Iraq and Kuwait, telling them a special plane will leave Kuwait and Baghdad Sunday.

The message asked U-S nationals... including those of Arab origin... to get in touch with U-S missions in Baghdad and Kuwait for further details.

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#90318u2115 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

PAHUTE MESA, Nev. (NOV. 14) UPI - U.S. and British scientists triggered a nuclear weapon beneath the Nevada desert Wednesday in a test delayed by technical problems and environmentalists who infiltrated the rugged site.

The weapon, with a yield of 20 to 150 kilotons, was detonated at 11:17 a.m. and swayed highrises in Las Vegas 105 miles away.

Seismologists at Caltech in Pasadena, Calif., said the blast registered 5.6 on the open-ended Richter scale, while the Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colo., said its sensors came up with a 5.1 reading. A 5.6 earthquake is considered moderate.

It was set off shortly after four people, three British members of Greenpeace and their guide, ran onto ground zero and were arrested.

U.S. Department of Energy spokesman Jim Boyer confirmed the weapons test was conducted jointly by U.S. and British scientists. Its yield was possibly 11 times greater than the 13-kiloton atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima during World War II and could have had a maximum equivalent of 150,000 tons of dynamite.

The weapon, possibly a thermonuclear warhead, was exploded 1,900 feet beneath Pahute Mesa, a 5,000-foot-high volcanic plateau located deep within the boundaries of the Rhode Island-sized Nevada Test Site.

The subsequent ground shaking was felt distinctly at Scotty's Castle in Death Valley, Calif., 40 miles from ground zero, Boyer said.

Government observers at a number of highrise Las Vegas gambling resorts also felt the shaking, as did residents in the small communities of Rachael and Hiko, Nev.

The vertical shaft that housed the nuclear weapon was plugged with cement and grout to prevent radiation from escaping into the atmosphere. Helicopters and other aircraft circled ground zero to monitor any accidental radiation leaks but none were detected.

Boyer, stationed at a ''control point'' about 30 miles from ground zero, said that, from all indications, ''the test was a success.''

The detonation was planned for 9 a.m. But it was delayed, first because of unspecified technical problems and finally when the four protesters ran onto ground zero in an attempt to halt the blast.

''They ran out of the bushes. We were on a technical hold at the time. The three women were running very close together and very fast. They were on ground zero when we sighted them on our closed circuit television,'' Boyer said. ''They had been hiding in the pinion trees and brush.''

Michael Terry of the Rocky Mountain Peace Center, who guided the women through the desolate high desert country to ground zero, attempted to flee. Security guards chased him down in their all-terrain vehicles.

The protesters, Lorna Richardson, 25, of London; Juley Howard, 23, of Bristol, England; Jane Gregory, 27, of London; and Terry were taken to Beatty, Nev., about 100 miles from Las Vegas, and booked on charges of trespassing.

Greenpeace had notified the Energy Department Tuesday that the three British women and their guide had infiltrated the 1,350-square-mile test site.

''These four people have done more to stop the nuclear arms race than any other government,'' Greenpeace spokeswoman Karen Topakian declared. ''While the clock was ticking, they were running to ground zero and they made it. If they arrived there, and the test went off, there was no guarantee what would happen to them.''

The four pleaded not guilty in an appearance before U.S. Magistrate Lawrence Leavitt in Las Vegas and were ordered to appear for trial Jan. 14. If

convicted, they face $1,000 fines each but no jail time.

Since 1962, British and American scientists have conducted 22 joint nuclear weapons tests. Prior to Wednesday, the last British nuclear weapons test in Nevada, code named ''Barnwell,'' took place on Dec. 8, 1989. It also had a yield of 20 to 150 kilotons, meaning a maximum equivalent yield of 150,000 tons of dynamite.

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#90318u2130 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

LONG BEACH, CALIF (NOV. 14) UPI - The Air Force has reinstated payments to McDonnell Douglas Corp. for development costs on the C-17 cargo jet after having suspended the payments this summer, a company spokesman said Wednesday.

The Pentagon, which had stopped the money in July over problems with the cost estimates of developing the $30 billion 120-plane program, made payments of $71 million in late September and $59 million early this month to the company, spokesman Richard Hill said.

Hill said that the Air Force is expected to continue making ''progress'' payments for the plane, which is being built at the company's huge Douglas Aircraft Co. plant in Long Beach.

The suspension of payments stemmed specifically from the company's failure to file a required financial projection document in July for the plane, which is expected to make its first flight next June.

Hill said that McDonnell Douglas executives believe that the C-17, which has a 222-foot wingspan and can ferry troops and cargo long distances, will be completed under the $6.6 billion ceiling on its development cost.

A strong critic of the company, Rep. John Dingell, D.-Mich., charged last month that overruns on the program had climbed to $836 million above projected costs. He also said the costs on the program could force the company into bankruptcy by the end of the year.

McDonnell Douglas recently disclosed in its third-quarter earnings report that it had wiped out all the profits it had taken on the C-17 by reversing $58 million in previously reported after-tax profits on the plane.

But despite these setbacks, the C-17 program will probably survive since military observers believe that the new planes are needed to address a shortage in transport capacity. That shortage was underscored by the difficulties in getting U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Aerospace analyst Lawrence Harris of Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards of Los

Angeles said that McDonnell Douglas appears to have satisfied the Air Force's questions about the C-17's cost.

''The C-17 will not probably not be a major issue between the company and the Air Force unless there are delays in getting to the first flight,'' Harris said.

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#90318u2207 11/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UP) - Second seed Monica Seles, effectively using a drop shot, crushed Barbara Paulus, 6-2, 6-2, Wednesday night to gain the quarterfinals of the $3 million Virginia Slims Championships.

Earlier, Mary Joe Fernandez, down two service breaks in the second set, rallied for a 6-1, 7-6 victory over Nathalie Tauziat. Fernandez, the runnerup at the Australian Open and a semifinalist at the U.S. Open, also fought back from a 3-1 deficit to win the tie-break 7-3.

Third seed Gabriela Sabatini faced Jana Novotna in the concluding match of the opening round.

Seles broke service twice in each set as she disposed of Paulus in 58 minutes. She had difficulty with her serve, putting in only 54 percent of her first deliveries, but Paulus was unable to convert any of six break point opportunities.

''It was pretty comfortable, but I don't think I played too well,'' said Seles the French Open champion. ''She hits very hard and gets back a lot of shots.''

Seles will face Arantxa Sanchez Vicario in the quarterfinals.

Fernandez, the fourth seed, breezed through the opening set, allowing Tauziat to hold serve only in the second game. A double fault by Tauziat gave Fernandez set point, and Tauziat then netted a backhand.

After Fernandez held serve to open the second set, Tauziat fought back to take the next four games for a 4-1 lead before Fernandez got one of the breaks back in the sixth game on a sharp forehand down the line.

Fernandez drew even at 5-5 with another break in the 10th game on a forehand pass.

''I got off to a really good start, didn't make many errors and kept the pressure on her,'' said Fernandez, a 19-year-old Floridian who will meet Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere in the quarterfinals. ''In the second set I played a loose game on my serve at 1-all and she started playing better, more aggressively.

''I knew if I played solid and kept focused, I could come back.''

Tauziat, a Frenchwoman ranked 18th in the world, said Fernandez used more spin during her comeback ''and made less mistakes.

''If I win the second set I have a good chance to win the match; if I lose, it's over.''

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CORVALLIS, OR (NOV. 14) UPI - An Oregon State University administrator has escaped from Kuwait after hiding for more than three months from Iraqis who invaded the tiny, oil-rich country, his wife said Wednesday.

Ernest Briskey, 59, escaped from Kuwait earlier this week and made his way to Jordan, according to a statement from Oregon State. Marge Briskey said her husband called from Jordan Tuesday, but she did not know when he had left Kuwait. She said he planned to fly home Friday. Marge Briskey said she knew no details of her husband's escape.

Briskey, assistant vice president for international program development at Oregon State, was working as a senior adviser to the Kuwaiti Institute of Scientific Research when Iraq invaded the country Aug. 2.

He immediately went into hiding, but was able to contact his family by sending cables through the American embassy, which has remained open despite an Iraqi order that it close.

Marge Briskey said her husband moved "four or five times" during the last three months, but she knew nothing else about his situation. She said his cables sent through the embassy contained no details. "Because the lines were tapped everyone lived in fear of being found," she said. "Every message was very brief and very general."

Briskey said her husband called her from Jordan Tuesday to say he had escaped. She said his first concern was their daughter's planned wedding in Hawaii Nov. 24. "The first thing he wanted to eat was a fresh orange," she said. "I gather it was canned food and rice" while he was in hiding.

Briskey said she and her husband had lived for four years in Kuwait, where he advised the scientific institute on agricultural issues. Ernest Briskey first began working at Oregon State in 1979, when he was named dean of agriculture.

Marge Briskey, a school teacher, said that when the invasion occurred she was spending the summer in the United States to escape the heat of the Middle East.

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LONGVIEW, WASH. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Tomoku Co. Ltd. and Mitsubishi Corp., both located in Tokyo, and Longview Fibre Co., with headquarters in Longview, jointly announced the purchase of Longview's Los Angeles corrugated container plant by Southland Box Co. at an undisclosed price.

Southland is a California company established by Tomoku and Mitsubishi with a $5 million paid-up capital to carry out the acquisition and operation of this plant that is located at Vernon in the Los Angeles central manufacturing district.

Tomoku and Mitsubishi anticipate the change in ownership will be completed Nov. 16. Southland Box Co. will begin managing the facility at that time.

The plant has a monthly production capacity of 70 million square feet of corrugated products. It is equipped with a corrugator and four finishing machine units, including recently installed, state-of-the-art flexo folder-gluers. Approximately 60 people are employed at the facility.

The wide range of boxes made at the plant is marketed in the Southwest for packaging a variety of food, industrial products and other items.

Longview Fibre is pleased that Southland indicated few initial changes are anticipated and the overall continuity of the operation will be maintained.

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PHOENIX (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Greyhound Dial Corp. (NYSE:G), Thursday declared a quarterly dividend of 35 cents per share on the common stock.

The dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

The board also declared a quarterly dividend of $1.1875 per share on the $4.75 preferred stock, payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Warrantech Corp. (NASDAQ:WTEC) Thursday announced results for the company's six-month period and second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, the company reported gross revenues of $26,769,391, up from $8,236,231, registered in the previous year's six-month period. Net income for the six months was $410,271, up from last year's six-month figure of $298,278. Deferred revenues to be recognized in future periods for the six-month period totaled $17,431,203, up from last year's six-month total of $1,558,706.

For the quarter, the company posted a 395 percent gain in gross revenues, increasing to $14,461,122, up from $4,095,403, recorded in the year-earlier second quarter. Net income was $87,368, compared to last year's second-quarter results of $144,153. Deferred revenues for the second quarter increased to $9,783,468, up dramatically from last year's second quarter total of $916,148.

Joel San Antonio, chairman of Warrantech, said: ''The company incurred a number of expenses during the second quarter that were directly attributable to the non-recurring acquisition costs associated with the successful signing of BMW, Avis, Brandsmart and Bon Marche to long-term contracts.

''In addition, we incurred a number of one-time expenses related to the integration and consolidation of our operations with that of our Texas subsidiary, Warrantech Dealer Based Services.''

''We are confident that long-term efficiencies and economies will justify these expenses,'' San Antonio concluded.

Warrantech administers service contracts for consumer electronic products, appliances and home office equipment. Through Warrantech Dealer Based Services Inc., the company administers service contracts for automobiles and recreational vehicles.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Stars To Go Inc. (NASDAQ:STARC) Thursday reported gross revenues for the third quarter of 1990 of $2.6 million with a net loss of $769,000, or 2 cents per share, compared with gross revenues of $4.2 million with a net loss of $299,000, or 1 cent per share, for the comparable 1989 period.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, gross revenues totaled $9.3 million vs. $14.1 million a year earlier. The net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $1,886,000, or 5 cents per share, compared with net income of $142,000, or 1 cent per share, for the same period in 1989, which included a non-recurring gain of $1 million.

Stars To Go supplies video rental management services to the retail industry. The company currently provides management services to 1,010 outlets.

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ROSWELL, NM (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Hondo Oil & Gas Co. (ASE:HOG) Thursday reported net income of $12,634,000, or 98 cents per share, for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $509,000, or 4 cents per share, for the prior fiscal year. For the fourth quarter, the company reported net income of $10,378,000, or 81 cents per share, compared with net income of $8,851,000, or 69 cents per share, for the last quarter of fiscal 1989.

Robert O. Anderson, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''We are very pleased with the company's performance this year. Earnings were favorably impacted by the recent increase in crude oil prices and by improvements at our Fletcher refinery.''

Anderson said that refining margins at the company's Fletcher refinery were excellent during the fourth quarter, contributing to the refinery's favorable results. A new vacuum distillation unit installed during the year also aided results. He added that, although natural gas continues to remain underpriced relative to crude oil, gas prices should improve over time.

Anderson said prospects for the future are very encouraging and that Hondo is well-positioned to respond quickly to changes and opportunities in the oil and gas industry.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Micro Devices announced Thursday that approximately 200 employees have been notified that their positions will be eliminated effective Dec. 30. The company had previously

announced that it would take action to reduce Sales, General and Administrative costs through a workforce reduction.

The action announced today affects both domestic and international operations of the company, and includes all levels of exempt and non-exempt employees.

Terminated employees will be paid through Dec. 30, including holidays, and will receive a severance package including at least one week's pay for each year of service, coverage under the company's health benefits program through February 1991 and outplacement assistance.

The company also announced that it expects to take further actions in the first quarter of 1991 to reduce its headcount in other operations-related activities.

''Intense global competition dictates that we make a number of difficult decisions to improve productivity,'' said Richard Previte, president and chief operating officer.

''We have analyzed our Sales, General and Administrative structure in an effort to combine functions, reduce the number of organizational levels and concentrate resources on essential services. This action is necessary to help bring our cost structure into balance with our expected sales levels.''

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IRVINE, CALIF. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - At the annual meeting of stockholders held in Irvine Thursday, William E. Maya, president and chief executive officer of Birtcher Medical Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:BIRT) said that ''continued growth and profitability and a steady stream of new product introductions is expected throughout the balance of the fiscal year.''

Maya noted that the company's full line of electrosurgery products continues to gain inroads in hospitals and outpatient surgery centers. In particular, Birtcher's Argon Beam Coagulator has established itself as the industry leader in argon gas electrocoagulation. ''Our sales and distribution capacity is being expanded to accommodate this growth and we are pleased to note the recent appointment of J. Michael Brown as vice president of sales and marketing.''

Maya also discussed the explosive new market for specialized electrosurgical tools for use in minimally invasive surgical procedures. ''The demand for specialized instruments used in 'less invasive' surgery is growing dramatically and we expect to be in the mainstream of that growth with

adaptations of our conventional electrosurgery equipment and with our Argon Beam Coagulator devices.''

''Also, operating margins and manufacturing efficiency should continue to improve as the company relocates its Denver, Colorado, operations to the new Irvine facility,'' said Maya.

The shareholders also approved changing the company name to Birtcher Medical Systems Inc. from The Birtcher Corp. as one more reflective of the company's current activities.

In other action, elected to serve as directors for the current fiscal year were Ernest V. Jarvis Sr., David B. Jones, William E. Maya, Ronald E. McAdams and James R. Weersing. Shareholders also approved amending the company's stock option plan.

Birtcher Medical Systems designs, manufactures and markets a variety of electronic medical instruments and their related disposable supplies to the health care industry worldwide.

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DALLAS (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Halliburton Co.'s board of directors declared a fourth quarter dividend of 25 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on Dec. 19, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 28, 1990.

The directors also approved a capital budget for property, plant and equipment of $442 million for 1991, a 12 percent increase over the $395 million 1990 capital budget.

Thomas H. Cruikshank, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Halliburton Co., said: ''The 1991 capital budget reflects our expectations for continued improvement in the demand for the company's services and products. More than 80 percent of the 1991 capital budget is allocated to the company's oil field services business in support of the group's plans for future growth.''

Halliburton Co. is one of the world's largest diversified oil field services, engineering and construction companies. Founded in 1919, Halliburton provides

oil field services and products, industrial and marine engineering and construction services, and property and casualty insurance services.

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ELMSFORD, NY (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - V Band Corp. (NASDAQ/NML:VBAN) announced Thursday the first major sale of their new digital trading and dealing communications system, the ViAX DN.

The order, worth an estimated $4 million, was placed by V Band's Japanese distributor, Mitsubishi Electric Corp. The contract involves a 1991 installation for Daiwa Securities in Japan.

''The ViAX DN and this sale represent important milestones in V Band's continuing development of trading room technology. It is our sharp focus and close teamwork with our distributors that have continued to be a winning strategy,'' said Thomas E. Feil, V Band chairman and founder.

ViAX DN was selected for its high performance digital platform which differentiates from the competition with its distributed architecture and unparalleled reliability. In addition, the ViAX DN offers an enhanced feature set and the ability to directly terminate a wide variety of digital and analog lines.

V Band Corp. designs and manufactures high-density, electronic key telephone systems used by the world's leading financial industries in the trading and dealing of stocks, bonds, commodities and currencies, and by airlines, utilities, railroads, emergency services and the military in communications control centers.

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ANAHEIM, CALIF. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Buyers returned to the Southern California housing market during October, boosting sales 10 percent from September's dismal showing, according to TRW Real Estate Information Services (NYSE:TRW).

TRW said 21,208 new and used homes and condominiums changed hands during October in Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

That was a hefty increase from September's 19,331 sales but September's total was the worst in nearly three years. Compared with October 1989 last month's figure was down 21 percent. And sales so far this year are down 13 percent from the first 10 months of 1989.

Moreover TRW figures show that October's buyers negotiated some hard bargains. Average prices slid 3 percent throughout the region to $202,913 from September's $208,215. And compared with a year before, prices are virtually unchanged, TRW said.

This lack of year-to-year appreciation is due almost entirely to substantial price declines in Orange County. Last month's $236,421 average price was 9 percent below the $260,180 paid in October 1989.

Southern California's two other coastal counties also showed anemic year-to-year appreciation. The $193,483 average price paid in San Diego County during October was less than 1 percent more than the $192,340 paid a year earlier; the average price in Los Angeles County fell 1 percent to $226,116 during the same time period, TRW said.

TRW tracks real estate transactions throughout California and other states from documents filed with county recorders' offices. The TRW figures represent the number of new and used homes and condominiums that closed escrow during the months indicated. Average prices are calculated after eliminating very high-priced and very low-priced properties.

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FREMONT, CALIF. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Power Spectra Inc. (OTC:PWSP) announced Thursday the results of voting of its shareholders meeting held Nov. 8, 1990.

Directors elected were: Drury Gallagher, Mansfield Garratt III, John Hewitt Jr., Gene Kennedy, Stuart Northrop, General John Pauly, and Richard Williams.

An amendment to the articles of incoporation creating a new class of undesignated preferred stock of five million shares was also approved.

Ernest & Young was appointed as the company's independent auditor for the year ending Dec. 31, 1990.

Power Spectra is engaged in the development of semiconductor switching devices and high voltage pulse generators for commercial and military applications.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The new clean air law signed by President Bush Thursday recognizes the important role natural gas will play in improving air quality across the nation and in Las Vegas, a Southwest Gas (NYSE:SWX) official said Thursday.

''The new law provides significant opportunities for the natural gas industry and Southwest Gas to help alleviate the air pollution problems in our metropolitan areas,'' said Michael O. Maffie, president and chief operating officer of Southwest Gas.

''It contains market-based, flexible approaches to deal with our air pollution problems.''

He said the law allows private industry to choose the means that will be most economical and most practical for them to meet the pollution reduction goals in their area.

''Natural gas is clean-burning, economical and abundant,'' Maffie said. ''With those benefits, it is likely to be the fuel of choice for entities ranging from power plant operators to vehicle fleet owners.''

According to Maffie, the new law recognizes the importance of alternate vehicle fuels, including compressed natural gas (CNG) in reducing tailpipe emissions.

''CNG reduces emission of carbon monoxide by as much as 97 percent, carbon dioxide by 24 percent, nitrous oxides by 39 percent, and reactive hydrocarbons by 72 percent, compared to gasoline,'' Maffie noted, ''and it's cheaper -- about 75 cents per equivalent gallon of CNG, compared to roughly $1.50 per gallon for gasoline.''

He explained that a CNG conversion kit can be economically added to just about any internal combustion engine, so the vehicle can run on either CNG or gasoline with the flip of a swith.

Since CNG refueling stations are not available on every street corner, its use is most economical and practical for fleet owners whose vehicles return to a central location each day.

The approximate $2,000 cost of converting a vehicle to CNG is usally recoverd by the owner in two or three years through reduced operating and maintenance

costs.

One portion of the new law provides significant incentives for fleet owners to convert their vehicles to run on clean-burning fuels such as CNG, an approach Southwest Gas has been expousing for several years, according to Maffie.

The company began using CNG in its fleet vehicles in 1984 and now fuels some 470 vehicles with it on a daily basis. Refueling takes place at the company's three state-of-the-art CNG refueling stations in Las Vegas, Tucson and Phoenix.

Use of natural gas in stationary sources also received a boost in the new law, according to Maffie.

''Industries and large commercial businesses will now have the flexibility to choose the most practical and economical fuel source to meet the pollution reduction goals in their area,'' he explained.

''That means many industrial and power plant boilers will be fired with natural gas, and many businesses and commercial buildings will have natural gas cogeneration systems to meet their heating, cooling and water heating needs.

''Natural gas has long been known as an efficient, economical fuel; now it's finally being recognized as an environomental fuel as well,'' Maffie concluded.

When burned properly, natural gas emits only water vapor and carbon dioxide, which is what humans exhale as they breathe.

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MENLO PARK, CALIF. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Ronald A. Kovas has been elected president of Sunset Publishing Corp., it was announced Thursday by Christopher Meigher, president and chief executive officer of Time Publishing Ventures Inc.

Sunset Publishing Corp. publishes Sunset Magazine and Books, and is a part of Time Publishing Ventures Inc., The Time Inc. Magazine Company unit responsible for the company's regional and special interest magazines and its worldwide development activity.

In making the announcement Meigher said: ''Ron Kovas is an accomplished executive who has broad advertising, marketing and publishing experience. And in addition to possessing the vision, strategic planning expertise and leadership skills needed to ensure Sunset's continued growth and success, Ron is very familiar with the West.''

Meigher also announced that John F. Henning Jr., who joined Sunset in 1951 and has been president since 1982, will become vice chairman of the corporation. Henning, 66, will work with Kovas in effecting an orderly transition and will continue to be involved with Sunset's key relationships in the business community.

Kovas joins Sunset from Southam Inc., Canada'a largest publishing company, where he has been president and chief executive officer of the Southam Business Information and Communications Group Inc. (SBIC) since June 1988.

SBIC publishes over 100 trade magazine titles in Canada and the United States, is Canada's largest producer of trade shows (and the second largest in the United States) and operates 11 on-line database services.

Prior to joining Southam, Kovas spent 22 years with the JWT Group, Inc., the corporate parent of J. Walter Thompson Co., one of the world's largest advertising agencies, and Hill and Knowlton, the U.S.'s largest public relations agency.

Kovas began his career in account management with J. Walter Thompson in Chicago. In 1976 he was appointed senior vice president and general manager of J. Walter Thompson's office in San Francisco, and in 1980 he was named president and chief executive officer of J. Walter Thompson Company Limited in Toronto, Canada. In 1986, he was elected executive vice president and member of the board of directors and executive committee of JWT Group, Inc.

The Time Inc. Magazine Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Time Warner Inc., the world's largest media and entertainment company.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Caesars World Inc. (NYSE:CAW) Thursday announced it is extending its pending tender offer for any and all of the 2,175,945 shares of Caesars New Jersey Inc. (ASE:CJN) it does not already own.

Caesars World holds approximately 86.6 percent of Caesars New Jersey's 16,261,531 outstanding shares.

The $22 per share tender offer, which was scheduled to expire on Nov. 19, 1990 will now expire at midnight (EST) on Nov. 30, 1990, unless further extended.

As previously announced, a court hearing has been scheduled for Nov. 28, 1990, in connection with the proposed settlement of lawsuits related to Caesars

World's tender offer.

The purpose of the hearing in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey is to determine, among other things, whether to approve the proposed settlement of the lawsuits brought by certain Caesars New Jersey shareholders in connection with the tender offer. The settlement is subject to such court approval.

Under the previously announced settlement terms, Caesars amended the offer to provide for the payment of interest on the offer price. For those shares tendered, interest began accruing on Sept. 22, 1990, and is being computed at the 26-week Treasury Bill rate of 7.45 percent (approximately $0.0045 per day) in effect on Aug. 20, 1990.

Also under the terms of the settlement, the company agreed to make an additional cash payment of 25 cents per share to shareholders of Caesars New Jersey whose shares are purchased in the tender offer, provided there is final court approval of the settlement.

The offer continues to be subject to all terms and conditions in the offering materials previously distributed to shareholders. Caesars World also has reserved all of its previously specified rights, including the right to terminate the offer, as described in such offering materials.

As of the close of business on Nov. 14, 1990, approximately 1,788,710 shares had been tendered pursuant to the offer.

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GLENDALE, CA (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - B. Wayne Hughes, president of Storage Equities Inc. (NYSE:SEQ), announced Thursday that revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $8,663,800 compared with $8,770,100 for the same period in 1989.

Net income equaled $3,089,000, or 27 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1990. This compares with net income of $2,585,600, or 24 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

Revenues for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, equaled $24,855,400 compared with $26,319,700 for the same period in 1989. Income before extraordinary loss and gain on sale of real estate for the first nine months of 1990 was 72 cents per share, compared with 69 cents per share for the similar period one year earlier.

Net income was $9,182,600, or 82 cents per share, for the first nine months of 1990, including a $1,146,100, or 10 cents per share gain on the sale of one property. This compares with net income of $7,068,800, or 65 cents per share, after a loss on the early extinguishment of debt of $435,500, or 4 cents per share, for the 1989 nine-month period.

A 20 cents per share quarterly distribution was declared by the board of directors. The distribution is payable on Dec. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 30, 1990. Cash available for distribution for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $3,499,700 compared with $3,098,600 one year earlier.

Cash available for distribution is generally defined as income before gain on sale of real estate and extraordinary loss on early extinguishment of debt and before deductions for depreciation, amortization, and non-cash interest expense, plus proceeds from rental guarantees and from the sale of real estate in excess of its original cost.

The company continues to purchase interests in PS Partners Ltd., PS Partners II Ltd. and PS Partners III Ltd. directly from limited partners in exchange for the company's common stock. This program of acquiring interests in affiliates of the company's adviser was discussed in the 1990 second-quarter report.

Storage Equities is an equity-oriented real estate investment trust (REIT) formed to acquire income-producing real estate and to provide current cash distributions and opportunities for long-term appreciation in the value of its real estate. The company owns interests in 253 properties, of which 21 are wholly owned. The portfolio is strategically located in 35 states.

Assets totaled $255,069,700 as of the end of the 1990 third quarter. Public Storage Management Inc. manages the company's properties, and Public Storage Advisers Inc. administers the operations of the company.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Materials Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:AMAT) announced Thursday that it will cut its workforce by 250 to 300 people, slash executive salaries by 10 percent and implement a worldwide salary freeze as part of an effort to reduce the company's costs.

Affected people will be notified Nov. 29.

''A slowing worldwide economy and weak economic conditions within our industry make this decision necessary. Our current employment level is beyond what we

can sustain for the period of moderate growth we foresee for the next several months.

''This is the latest in a series of steps we have taken to adjust for a changing economic environment,'' said Jim Bagley, president and chief operating officer of Applied Materials.

''We are using this period to carefully evaluate all operations within the company, so that we can prepare to take full advantage of our industry leadership position when the economy rebounds,'' Bagley said.

The reduction in force will affect between 7 and 9 percent of Applied Materials' worldwide workforce, and will be largely concentrated within the company's Santa Clara operations, the location of the majority of the firm's employment.

''Clearly, we are impacted by a growing hesitation on the part of many of our customers to commit to large new equipment purchases,'' noted Bagley. The workforce reduction will also affect some of Applied Materials' operations outside the United States.

Dr. Glen Toney, vice president of human resources at Applied Materials, said, ''This is a painful decision for managers, yet it is made necessary by the uncertainty in the economy.'' Toney added that the company will offer outplacement help for all employees affected by the staff cuts.

Applied Materials Inc. is based in Santa Clara and is the leading independent supplier of wafer fabrication systems to the worldwide semiconductor industry. It is a market leader in chemical vapor deposition (CVD), dry plasma etching and silicon deposition.

The company is also a leading manufacturer of ion implantation and physical vapor deposition (PVD) systems.

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LAGUNA HILLS, CALIF. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - William & Clarissa Inc. Thursday reported that net sales for the third quarter of its 1990 fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $1,009,600 compared to $200,100 in the third quarter of 1989 and $1,906,000 in the second quarter of 1990.

The net loss for the third quarter was $1,394,800, or 43 cents per share, compared to $638,100, or 28 cents per share, in the corresponding period of

1989.

For the first nine months of 1990 the net loss was $6,084,700, or $1.86 per share, on net sales of $3,892,000, compared to the net loss of $1,284,700, or 57 cents per share, on net sales of $317,000 in the corresponding period of 1989.

Virtually all of the sales in 1990 have consisted of the Kids William & Clarissa product line.

''While the company has obtained nationwide distribution in over 16,000 outlets, and has evidence of high consumer satisfaction levels, performance has been hindered by lack of sufficient funds to build broad consumer awareness,'' said Chief Executive Officer Mary George.

''As previously announced, the company has retained The First Boston Corporation to explore alternatives for raising funds which are needed now to provide working capital and to build the business to its full potential.''

The Kids William & Clarissa line consists of sixteen personal care products formulated especially for children, including tear-free shampoo, lotion, liquid soap, cornstarch powder, bubble bath, sun block, lip balm and cologne.

All products are hypoallergenic, dermatologically tested, contain no animal ingredients, and are not tested on animals. The company is marketing this line primarily to drug stores, mass merchandisers and supermarkets.

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OVERLAND PARK, KN - Western Financial Corp. reported that net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 13.7 percent to $208,000, or 10 cents per share, compared to net income of $183,000, or 9 cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net interest earnings for the 1990 third quarter were $3,735,000 compared to $3,311,000 for the same period in 1989 - a 12.8 percent increase. Net income before taxes was $401,000 - an $850,000 increase over the same three month period in 1989.

For the first nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Western reported a net loss of $7,078,000 compared to a net income of $1,201,000 for the same period of 1989. Net interest income for the current nine month period was $10,443,000 compared to $10,462,000 in the same period of 1989.

Western's non-performing assets (non-accrual loans and foreclosed real estate) at Sept. 30, 1990, stood at $27,746,000, or 3.38 percent of assets compared to $26,142,000, or 3.15 percent of assets at June 30, 1990 as real estate markets continued to be soft.

The company reported that net income was postively impacted primarily by the increase in net interest earnings of $424,000 and a reduction in the provision for loan losses of $650,000. The company's allowance for losses increased $311,000 due to net recoveries.

Net income was negatively impacted by an increase in expenses of $436,000 over the third quarter of 1989. This increase was the result of a $586,000 increase in expenses related to foreclosed property.

Salaries and benefits for the third quarter of 1990 were $156,000 less than the same period in 1989, even though over $140,000 in employee related restructuring costs were charged to expenses in September. There may be additional short term restructuring costs as Western continues its overall strategy of asset and expense reduction.

Western Financial Corp. is the parent company of Columbia Savings Association, F.A., a financial services company with 24 deposit offices in Kansas and mortgage banking offices in Kansas, Missouri and California.

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PALM DESERT, CA (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - StratAmerica Corp. announced total revenues of $6,883,000 for the six-months ended Sept. 30 with a net loss of $1,631,000, or 36 cents per share.

Comparable amounts for the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1989, were total revenues of $6,799,000 with a net loss of $23,000, or 1 cent per share. The results of operations for the six-month period ended Sept. 30 reflect two newly acquired subsidiaries.

The new acquisitions include Shari's Franchise Corp. (formerly Restaurants Etc.) and 80 percent of Sports Archives Inc. that has licensed the trade name ''Field of Dreams'' to conduct a baseball card and sports memorabilia retail business.

The name ''Field of Dreams'' is a registered trademark of Universal City Studios Inc. licensed by Merchandising Corporation of America Inc.

For the three-months ended Sept. 30 total revenues were $3,324,000 with a net loss of $969,000, or 21 cents per share. Comparable amounts for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1989, were total revenues of $321,000 with a net loss of $152,000, or 3 cents per share.

Sam D. Battistone, StratAmerica's president, said the rapid development of the Field of Dreams baseball card and sports memorabilia retail stores has required a considerable investment to take advantage of the unique opportunity to be the first company to have a national network of baseball card and sports memorabilia retail stores in a $4 billion market.

The primary focus to achieve that goal is a national franchise program that was announced last month and the development of a cluster of company owned stores in Southern California.

Both expansion programs are directed toward high-traffic regional shopping mall locations. StratAmerica intends to open three new corporate Field of Dreams retail stores by March 31, 1991.

Battistone also said the establishment of a wholesale distribution facility and the associated sports cards and memorabilia inventories, along with hiring key management personnel to implement the growth strategy that is required for the long-term success of the retail stores, has required additional investment.

StratAmerica also announced that it has acquired the other 50 percent of B.B. O'Brien's Inc., which owns a Palm Desert sports cafe and restaurant. The original 50 percent was acquired in January 1989.

StratAmerica's stock is traded on the NASDAQ system in the over-the-counter market with the symbol STCO.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - National Medical Enterprises Inc. (NYSE/PSE/LoSE:NME), one of the nation's largest health care services companies, Thursday received a coveted honor for its contributions to both local and national charitable organizations during the 1990 Los Angeles celebration of National Philanthropy Day.

A consortium of Los Angeles philanthropic organizations presents the ''Outstanding Corporation in Philanthropy'' award annually to the company that has demonstrated ''exceptional civic responsibility, concern and leadership through financial and other support of charitable projects.''

The morning award celebration was held at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel in downtown Los Angeles.

Richard K. Eamer, chairman and chief executive officer of NME, who accepted the award, hopes that the company's commitment to philanthropic causes serves as a catalyst to encourage corporate social responsibility nationwide.

''Corporate America holds one of the keys to helping solve the nation's social ills,'' Eamer noted. ''If every company in the country made the commitment to develop a social vision and implement programs, corporate America -- with its clout and ingenuity -- could make a vital difference.''

NME has been in the forefront of promoting corporate social responsibility since its inception in 1969. The company supports programs and organizations that enhance the communities throughout the country where its employees live and work. In recent years, NME's philanthropic efforts have focused on causes related to health and education.

''As a health services company, we are in the business of caring for others. Supporting programs and organizations that help people live better, healthier lives is a natural extension of NME's objectives,'' Eamer pointed out.

NME will give more than $3 million to philanthropic causes this year, while providing more than $100 million in charitable health care services through its network of acute, psychiatric and physical rehabilitation hospitals and substance abuse treatment facilities across the country.

The company's philosophy that corporations must work for the betterment of the community extends beyond financial support. This year NME initiated its Employee Volunteer Program, which encourages employees to become active in their community. In addition to assisting in matching employee talents and opportunities to volunteer, NME also provides employees time off for community activities.

Two programs at the company's corporate headquarters in Santa Monica illustrate that a corporation can make a difference in its employees' lives and in the community. NME's top-notch childcare center accommodates children of parents working at the company and children from the local community. The company's ''Overcoming Challenges'' initiative to fill 10 percent of its jobs with qualified disabled personnel vividly reflects NME's dedication to key social concerns of the 1990s.

Organizations sponsoring the award are: the California Community Foundation; Planned Giving Roundtable; Southern California Association for Philanthropy; Southern California Association for Hospital Development; and the Greater Los Angeles Chapter of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives.

NME owns, operates or manages acute, psychiatric and physical rehabilitative

hospitals and substance abuse facilities throughout the United States and internationally.

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DENVER (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - AIRCOA Hotel Partners L.P. (AMEX:AHT), a Denver-based master limited partnership engaged in ownership of hotels, announced financial results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The partnership recorded a net loss of $270,000 for the third quarter of 1990 compared to net income of $30,821,000 (which included a gain on the sale of the Clarion Kona Village Resort (''Kona'') as previously reported) in the third quarter of 1989, reflecting depreciation and amortization for the respective periods of $962,000 and $1,146,000.

Net loss allocable to the Class A units in the third quarter of 1990 was 15 cents based on 3,101,173 weighted average units outstanding compared to net income of $4.95, which included the results of the Kona transaction, based on 2,574,133 weighted average units outstanding in the same period of 1989.

In order to accurately compare 1990 third quarter to the third quarter of 1989 results of operations for the third quarter of 1989 have been restated to exclude the operating results of Kona. Partnership operating revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $11,746,000, a decrease of $241,000, or 2 percent over restated operating revenues of $11,987,000, for the period ended Sept. 30, 1989, and were derived principally from operation of the partnership's six hotels and resorts. Operating income for the third quarter of 1990 was $2,276,000, a $120,000 decrease over the restated operating income of $2,396,000 for the same period in 1989.

Year-to-date operating revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $36,279,000, an increase of $1,168,000, or 3.3 percent compared to restated operating revenues of $35,111,000 for the same period in 1989. The current year-to-date net loss of $95,000 compares to the year-to-date net income of $28,932,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

Comparable operating statistics for the six properties for the first nine months of 1990 vs. the first nine months of 1989 are as follows: Average Daily Room Rate - $69.77 and $66.67; Percentage of Occupancy - 73.1 percent and 73.3 percent; and Gross Operating Profit - $12,316,000 and $11,523,000. Gross Operating Profit includes all operating revenues less operating expenses except for debt service, depreciation, amortization and certain other fixed

expenses.

As indicated above, overall average occupancy remained virtually unchanged and average daily room rates were up $3.10 or 4.6 percent, for the first nine months of 1990 vs. the first nine months of 1989. Individual property performances indicate that the Sheraton Lakeside Inn and Sheraton Buffalo East were the primary contributors to the overall revenue increase due to programs that emphasize maximization of revenue yields through management of rooms inventory.

The remaining four hotel properties showed a slight overall decrease in room revenue for the first nine months of 1990 due to decreases in room rate. Operating income increased 7.9 percent for the first nine months of 1990 compared to the restated first nine months of 1990 while operating expenses increased 2.3 percent for the same period.

On Nov. 15, 1990, the partnership paid a cash distribution of 18 cents per Class A unit of AIRCOA Hotel Partners L.P. for the quarter July 1, 1990, through Sept. 30, 1990, to owners of record as of Oct. 31, 1990. This distribution completes the partnership's requirement for support of the minimum annual distribution by the general partner and an affiliate through July 31, 1990.

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STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Petroleum Heat and Power Co. Inc. (ASE:PHP) has announced that home heating oil volume for the third quarter of 1990 increased 17 percent to 34 million gallons compared with the 29 million gallons delivered in the same period in 1989, primarily due to the 21 acquisitions completed subsequent to the second quarter of 1989.

As a result of the beneficial impact of the acquisitions on volume and operating costs, the company's operating results improved during the third quarter and the normal non-heating period operating loss of $12.8 million before depreciation and amortization was lower than that incurred during the third quarter of 1989.

However, these improvements, combined with those of the second quarter, could not offset the impact of the abnormally warm weather experienced during the first quarter of 1990 when the company normally delivers approximately 50 percent of its annual volume.

Because of the first-quarter weather, which was 12 percent warmer than in 1989 (as well as 20 percent warmer than normal and the warmest in this century),

operating income before depreciation and amortization was lower for the nine months as costs related to the acquisitions were incurred without the benefit of the additional volume associated with those purchases.

While for the first nine months of 1989 the company had a net loss, its level grew in 1990 to $24.1 million, due primarily to the abnormally warm first quarter which also led to cash flow being a negative $748,000 for the period and which is also expected to result in cash flow for the year being below that generated in 1989.

Also impacting the year-to-date performance was a reduction in the income tax benefit rate to 8 percent, substantially below the 37 percent benefit rate for the same period in 1989.

The company expects that it will incur a loss for the year which, because of limited amounts of federal tax carrybacks and deferred tax provisions, will generate a tax benefit rate of only 8 percent for the year.

Petroleum Heat and Power is the largest distributor of home heating oil in the United States and currently serves 375,000 customers in 24 marketing areas from Portsmouth, N.H., to Washington, D.C.

Petroleum Heat and Power Co. Inc.
Financial Highlights
(In thousands except per-share data)

	Third Quarter	
	1990	1989
Gallons sold	51,735	49,333
Revenues	$ 63,304	$ 51,415
Operating loss before depreciation and amortization	(12,757)	(13,411)
Net loss	(24,419)	(16,017)
Cash flow	(16,519)	(8,550)
Cash flow per Class B common share	$ (1.10)	(57 cents)
Earnings per share	$ (1.55)	$ (1.02)
Total shares	15,760	15,760

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PHOENIX (NOV 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Nix-O-Tine Pharmaceuticals Ltd. (NASDAQ:NIXXF; VSE:NIX.) Thursday announced that its proposed acquisition of Behavioral Services of America (BSA) is being mutually terminated and Nix-O-Tine and BSA are negotiating marketing arrangements for each other's products.

The proposed acquisition, announced in July 1990, was subject to a number of conditions including additional financing. Management of Nix-O-Tine and BSA have concluded, with input from Nix-O-Tine's investment banker, that it is unlikely that the financing required by the terms of the acquisition can be obtained on terms acceptable to BSA and in a timely manner given current financial market conditions.

In connection with the termination of the proposed acquisition, K. John Harrison has resigned as president, chief executive officer and director of Nix-O-Tine. Lee Wahl, senior vice president of sales, has also resigned. Jon V. Eylands, M.D. has been appointed president and a director of Nix-O-Tine to replace Harrison.

In connection with Eylands' appointment, the joint venture between Eylands and Nix-O-Tine for the clinical laboratory established on Oct. 1 has been modified.

Eylands has agreed to exchange his 50 percent interest in the clinical laboratory and convert his approximately $150,000 of advances to the laboratory to equity in exchange for 1,500,000 shares of Nix-O-Tine common stock, subject to regulatory approval.

The laboratory will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of Nix-O-Tine under the name Laboratory Sciences International Ltd.

Since Oct. 1, Eylands has been the chief executive officer and medical director of the laboratory. Prior to Oct. 1, he was chief pathologist and director of laboratory services for 10 years at Phoenix Baptist Hospital and Medical center. He also serves as chief pathologist and medical director for national health laboratories in Phoenix.

Eylands stated: ''Our clinical laboratory produced revenues of $25,000 in October, its first month of operation, and we anticipate continued revenue growth from these services and from expansion of the proprietary LungCheck test.

''We are also endeavoring to reduce operating costs of Nix-O-Tine while expanding the revenues from the patented Nix-O-Tine smoking cessation program. The company is continuing to seek expansion financing and/or strategic alliances to exploit our smoking cessation and clinical laboratory services.''

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NEWPORT BEACH, CA (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacesetter Homes Inc. (PSE:PHO) reported a net loss of $2,167,000, or $1.44 per share, on revenues of

$34,589,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, compared with a net profit of $2,911,000, or $1.89 per share, on revenues of $50,973,000 for the like period in 1989.

PACESETTER HOMES INC.
Financial Summary

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Total revenue	$ 11,098,000	$ 27,586,000
Net income (loss)	$ (1,810,000)	$ 2,692,000
Net income (loss) per common share	$ (1.20)	$ 1.75

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Total revenue	$ 34,589,000	$ 50,973,000
Net income (loss)	$ (2,167,000)	$ 2,911,000
Net income (loss) per common share	$ (1.44)	$ 1.89

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RENO, NE (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Sands Regent, a 1,000-room hotel/casino in Reno, announced Thursday that revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased to $10.7 million as compared to $8.4 million for the like quarter in the prior year.

Net income increased from $1.2 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1990 to $1.6 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1991, a 34 percent increase. For the like periods, earnings per share increased from 36 cents to 49 cents.

Pete Cladianos Jr., president of The Sands Regent, said: ''We are extremely pleased with the first quarter operating results which reflect the use of our new hotel tower. Completed in February 1990, this tower includes 270 rooms, additional gaming and convention/meeting space and two new restaurants.

''We are cautiously optimistic about the balance of 1991. The trend of improved profitability and operating margins, which increased from 17 percent to 21 percent, must be tempered by current national and international conditions. As in the past, we are prepared for an economic slow down and will react to minimize any adverse effect.''

Cladianos also said: ''We are in the process of refurbishing some of our existing facilities. In the next two months we will renovate 102 rooms in the motor lodge section of our hotel complex and we will completely remodel one of our restaurants. We feel this will enhance our guest services and improve

overall profitability.''

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DENVER (NOV 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Rocky Mountain Beverage Co. Inc., (NASDAQ:RMBCU) reported results for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, were up $106,790 to $302,350 vs. net sales for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1989, of $195,560, an increase for the period of 55 percent.

Losses were $165,330 for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, vs. $73,325 over the same period in 1989. Per share loss for the period ending Sept. 30 was 2 cents vs. 1 cent for the same period in 1989 based on 7,965,173 vs. 6,367,955 average weighted number of shares outstanding. The loss was attributed to expected costs associated with expansion of ''Colorado Crystal'' into new markets.

''Colorado Crystal'' is a naturally flavored mountain spring water bottled at the source in the Grand Mesa area of Western Colorado.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CA (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of MIP Properties Inc. (ASE:MIP) Thursday decided to omit the fourth-quarter dividend.

In explaining this action, Carl C. Gregory III, chairman and chief executive officer of MIP, said: ''The board took this action to maintain the company's liquidity in light of deteriorating conditions in both the real estate and financial markets.

''We will continue the board's policy of reviewing the dividend based not only on the funds available for the relevant quarter, but also expectations about the future.

''The company has retained Merrill Lynch Capital Markets to assist the board in identifying alternative long-term strategies, which may include mergers or business combinations with other companies, restructuring or sale of the company.

''We continue to pursue three important objectives. First, we are conserving capital. The reductions in the dividend and the cessation of new commitments are steps toward this goal. While certainly disagreeable in the short run, these steps enable the company to maximize the leasing opportunities that come along and maintain the properties in top-notch condition.

''Secondly, we are reducing our debt as quickly as possible. Funds for debt reduction become available as loan repayments or property sales occur. During the next few months, we expect to take advantage of several opportunities of this type.

''Thirdly, we are aggressively trying to reduce all of our costs, whether small like the cost of our annual report, or large like the advisory fee. In this vein, the directors have waived their retainers for 1991.

''The value of the company lies in its assets. These are carefully selected, quality properties in one of the nation's strongest real estate markets. In our opinion, the current depressed price of the stock bears no relationship to the value of these underlying assets.''

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Times Mirror Company announced Thursday the sale of $100 million of 3-year, 8.60 percent notes to mature on November 15, 1993. The notes were offered at a discount for an yield to the investor of 8.62 percent.

The issue was underwritten by Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc.

Times Mirror's public debt is rated AA- by Standard and Poor's, A1 by Moody's and AA- by Duff and Phelps.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Oce Graphics France S.A. has signed a distribution agreement with RasterGraphics Inc. (RGI), giving Oce Graphics exclusive marketing and distribution rights of RGI's current and future products throughout Europe and non-exclusive rights in other geographic

markets.

Oce Graphics currently holds over one-third of the pen and direct imaging plotter market worldwide. Jean-Paul Villot, chief executive officer of Oce Graphics, predicts immediate success with the commercialization of RGI's ColorStation D, a 24-inch color raster plotter, set to begin early next year.

''We are confident that we will rapidly capture one-third of the wide format color raster market in Europe,'' he said. ''RasterGraphics' innovative and technically advanced products combined with Oce Graphics' expanding sales and service network will intensely challenge the European plotter market,'' Villot further explained.

''We believe that Europe is an ideal marketplace for our advanced technology products,'' commented Andreas Bibl, chief executive officer of RasterGraphics. ''We are excited that Oce Graphics will be our partner in pursuing this market and we are looking forward to a very successful relationship.''

Founded in 1955, Oce Graphics produces and markets a wide range of graphics peripherals used in engineering, drafting and graphic design applications. The firm is the largest seller of pen plotters in Europe, and third-largest worldwide.

Oce Graphics is an independent business unit of Oce-van der Grinten N.V., a global manufacturer of reprographics equipment for design engineering and office use. The company employs 10,000 people and had 1989 sales of more than $1.2 billion.

Founded in 1987, RasterGraphics manufactures and markets a family of large format, laser quality color printers. The ColorStation D was originally introduced to the U.S. market in August of 1989. In April of 1990, the ColorStation was introduced in Japan through an exclusive distribution arrangement with NKK.

According to Bibl, ''The agreement with OCE is a major milestone for RasterGraphics, giving us a strong partner in the dynamic European marketplace.''

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SEATTLE (NOV 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Alaska Airlines Thursday announced it is offering a buy-one/get-one-at-$25 fare promotion for travel between all cities in the continental United States served by the airline and its sister carrier Horizon Air.

Tickets, which must be purchased on or before Nov. 30, apply to travel that takes place between now and Feb. 28.

Under the program, a person who buys a 14-day nonrefundable ticket is eligible to have a companion buy a ticket on the same flight for $25. On intra-California travel and certain other routes, three- and seven-day nonrefundable tickets may be eligible for the $25 fare.

Seats are limited and a Saturday night stay is required. Black-out travel dates and other restrictions apply.

Alaska and Horizon serve more than 40 cities in the continental United States.

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ALAMEDA, CA (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Aquanautics Corp. (NASDAQ:AQNT) Thursday announced that its corporate partner, ZapatA Industries Inc., has received the first commercial order for SmartCap Oxygen Barrier crown closures.

The order, which was received from a U.S. juice company, resulted from the formal introduction of the SmartCap at the InterBev Trade Show held recently in Chicago.

The SmartCap Barrier and Absorber crown closures continue in taste tests at a number of U.S. brewers and the results continue to be positive. ''Our efforts to date for SmartCap have been focused on the beer industry,'' said N. Ross Buckenham, the company's president and chief executive officer. ''The recent interest from a juice company confirms the cap's viability in other segments of the beverage industry.''

Buckenham continued: ''While we are excited about the first commercial order for the SmartCap, completion of the taste tests currently under way and qualification of the SmartCap with brewers is our top priority.''

Aquanautics is a specialty chemical company producing oxygen control technologies. Aquanautics' proprietary synthetic oxygen-binding molecules can be structured into a variety of systems for extracting, concentrating and/or eliminating oxygen. The company is currently developing products for food, industrial and defense markets.

ZapatA Industries Inc. is a major supplier of crowns to leading U.S. brewers. The company also maintains a strong and growing presence in Europe and Latin America.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - American Integrity Corp. (NASDAQ: AIIC) reported Thursday that it is continuing active discussions which may lead to equity and/or debt financing to enhance its capital base.

No agreement has as yet been reached. If concluded, any agreement would be subject to approval of the board of directors and regulatory authority. In order to conduct negotiations effectively, the company does not intend to make further announcements on this matter until after a definitive agreement has been executed or all such discussions have been terminated.

American Integrity Corp. also reported increased revenues for the quarter totalling $24,413,000, a 33 percent advance over $18,397,000 for the same period last year. The company continued to experience increases in business. Total premium written in the third quarter of 1990 rose 24 percent to $27,201,000 from $22,015,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Investment income for the quarter rose 13 percent, to $1,192,000, compared to $1,056,000 in the same quarter of 1989.

Despite the gains in the company's business, net income for the third quarter declined to a loss of $1,574,000, or 23 cents per share, as compared to a net gain of $1,828,000 or 27 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989. Contributing to the loss are increased non-cash charges against deferred acquisition costs and benefit costs including reserves.

For the first nine months of 1990, revenues totaled $70 million, a 43 percent gain over $48,870,000 reported in the first nine months of 1989. Total premium written in the first nine months of 1990 rose 37 percent to $79,533,000 from $57,886,000 in the first nine months of 1989. Investment income for the nine months increased 12 percent to $3,528,000, compared to $3,148,000 in the first nine months of 1989. Total assets as of Sept. 30, 1990, were $119,678,000, an 11 percent increase since year-end 1989. Book value rose 6 percent in the same period to $6.27 per share.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $1,585,000, or 23 cents per share, compared to $4,532,000, or 67 cents per share for the same period of 1989. These earnings include the positive cumulative effects of a change in accounting for deferred income taxes, representing $3,400,000 or 50 cents per share. It also includes an operating loss of 27 cents per share. As of Sept. 30, 1990, the company had $111 million of annualized premium from in-force business, a 48 percent increase over the $75 million in force as of Sept. 30, 1989.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Gap Inc. Thursday announced record financial results for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 1990.

Net income increased 39 percent to $47.7 million, or 67 cents per share for the third quarter ended Nov. 3, 1990, compared to $34.2 million, or 49 cents per share last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, net income was $88 million, or $1.24 per share, a 39 percent increase over last year's $63.4 million, or 90 cents per share. All per-share amounts reflect the two-for-one split of the company's common stock during the quarter.

Net sales in the third quarter of 1990 were $502 million, a 24 percent increase over last year's $406 million. For the nine months net sales were $1.309 billion, a 26 percent increase over last year's $1.041 billion.

Comparable store sales increased 12 percent for the quarter and 16 percent for the year-to-date period. All divisions contributed to the comparable store sales gains.

Donald G. Fisher, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''We are most gratified with our operating results, which were achieved in an increasingly difficult economic environment. We believe this success stems from our focus on providing customer value through our commitment to quality, style and affordability.''

The Gap Inc. operated 1,070 stores at quarter end (784 Gap, 126 Banana Republic, and 160 GapKids stores), compared with 971 stores (747 Gap, 111 Banana Republic, 104 GapKids, and nine Hemisphere stores) last year.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Inmac Corp. (NASDAQ:INMC), the world's leading direct response marketer of computer aftermarket data communications and computer accessory products, Thursday announced sales of $76,266,000 (up 18.4 percent) for the first quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990, and net income of $633,000 (up 43.1 percent), or 7 cents per share.

This compares with sales of $64,396,000, and net income of $442,000 (5 cents per share) for last year's first quarter.

Ken Eldred, Inmac's president and chief executive officer, stated, ''I am pleased to report continued improvement in the company's profitability this quarter. Our pre-tax profit increased 82 percent over the first quarter of last year on sales growth of 18 percent.

''Order rates slowed at the end of the quarter and we missed our sales goal; yet, the cost reduction efforts that we instituted enabled us to improve on last year's results. Our investement in startup countries caused our SG&A expense to increase as a percent to sales. Startup losses are not currently deductible for tax purposes which causes our tax rate to appear inordinately high.''

Eldred further stated, ''The uncertain economy leads us to view the near-term future with caution. Our top priorities are to keep expenses in line with sales growth and to stimulate additional revenues from new product opportunities. We are working vigorously on several new programs that will support these efforts over the next six months.''

Inmac Corp. markets its products directly to microcomputer and minicomputer users in nine countries through its full color catalogs. The company offers over 4,000 items, substantially all of which carry the Inmac brand name.

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NOVATO, CALIF. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Shareholders of Harding Associates, (NASDAQ/NMS:HRDG) reelected four incumbent directors to the company's board at the annual shareholders' meeting and approved amendments to the company's 1988 Stock Option Plan.

In a brief presentation following the meeting, Richard P. Prezio, president and chief executive officer, stated that the company has revised revenue growth expectations for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1991 downward from approximately 15 percent to a range of 8-12 percent. He noted, however, that the company still expects to meet goals established at the beginning of fiscal 1991 relative to operating income, net income and earnings per share.

''The downward revised growth forecast is due to a number of factors, but primarily to the difficulty in finding qualified staff to perform work under contract, increased competition, and the company's unwillingness to accept contracts with inadequate fees,'' Prezio stated. The company expects to meet

its profit goals by maintaining a proper pricing structure and continuing to adhere to sound cost control practices.

Additionally, Prezio stated, ''Harding's business focus remains on remediation of contaminated sites, solid waste management, and geotechnical/civil engineering.'' He expressed optimism in the long-term growth potential of these markets. He further noted the company's expansion efforts into the Northeast and upper Midwest are meeting expectations. Future plans could include expansion into the southeastern states and the Pacific Rim countries.

During the formal proceedings of the meeting, four Class III directors were reelected to serve on the 11 member board until 1993. Elected were Richard S. Harding, the company's founder and chairman; Richard P. Prezio, president and chief executive officer; Eric G. Lappala and Donald L. Schreuder, senior vice presidents.

Harding Associates Inc., through its wholly owned subsidiaries, Harding Lawson Associates and Harding Construction Services, provides a broad range of engineering, environmental and construction services. The company has offices in California, Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Hawaii, Illinois, Nevada, New Jersey Texas, Washington and the District of Columbia.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Olympic Savings Bank (NASDAQ:OSBW) Thursday reported a third quarter loss of $1.2 million, due in part to costs associated with its expansion into 17 new branches.

Olympic also announced that the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) has rejected it's revised capital restoration plan and has imposed significant restrictions on Olympic's operating activities.

In the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Olympic lost $1,202,000, or $.90 per share, compared to a loss of $829,000, or $.62 per share, in the third quarter last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, Olympic lost $2,834,000, or $2.13 per share compared to a loss of $2,610,000, or $1.96 per share, in the like period of 1989. In September of this year, the OTS determined that Olympic should defer certain gains on the sale of loan servicing rights that occurred in 1989 and 1990. 1989 results for the third quarter and nine months have been restated to reflect this change in accounting method.

Net interest income doubled to $535,000 in the third quarter compared to

$243,000 in the third quarter a year ago. At Sept. 30, 1990, Olympic had $181 million of core deposits compared to $154 million one year earlier. Problem loans total $484,000, or 0.2% of total assets, which is well below the average of all thrift institutions in Washington. Non-interest income totaled $921,000 in the third quarter compared to $846,000 a year ago.

Increased compensation, occupancy, and data processing expenses resulting from Olympic's recent branch expansion is the principal reason for the increase in non-interest expense to $2.6 million for the third quarter from $2.3 million a year ago.

The average interest rate Olympic paid on deposits and borrowings was 104 basis points (1.04%) lower in the third quarter of 1990 compared to a year ago while the average yield on loans, mortgage-backed securities and investments increased 5 basis points (0.05%) from the third quarter last year. Olympic paid an average rate of 7.61% for deposits and borrowings in the third quarter of 1990, down from 8.65% in 1989's third quarter. The average yield on loans, mortgage-backed securities and investments in the third quarter this year improved slightly to 9.73% compared to 9.68% last year.

Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were $248 million compared to $279 million one year earlier. Shareholder equity was $1.5 million at the end of the quarter and book value was $1.12 per share compared to $4.3 million and $3.26 respectively at Sept. 30, 1989.

Olympic Savings Bank, founded in Bremerton in 1964 and now headquartered in Seattle, presently serves 47,500 customers through 26 complete-service branches in Western Washington. It was the first bank in the Puget Sound region to offer its customers full-service banking seven days a week. Olympic's expansion program in Safeway Stores increased its retail banking network from 11 to 26 branches since mid-1988.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(unaudited)

	Third Quarter Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net income (loss)	($1,202,244)	($ 828,745)	($2,834,136)	($2,609,746)
Earnings (loss) per share	($ .90)	($ .62)	($ 2.13)	($ 1.96)
Average shares outstanding	1,332,108	1,332,108	1,332,108	1,332,108

	September 30, 1990	September 30, 1989
Total assets	$248,220,764	$279,174,198
Net worth	$ 1,487,769	$ 4,347,649
Shareholders' equity per share	$ 1.12	$ 3.26
Problem Assets:		

Delinquent loans	$ 484,000	$ 531,000
Restructured loans	$ - 0 -	$ - 0 -
Real estate owned and real estate in judgement	$ 1,038,000	$ 1,531,000

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LAWRENCEVILLE, N.J. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Megamation Inc. (NASDAQ:MEGI/MEGIW) Thursday announced financial results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30.

The company reported net sales for the three months ended Sept. 30 of $666,150 as compared with net sales of $475,268 reported for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $377,587, or 4 cents per share, based on 9,106,000 shares outstanding, compared with a net loss of $185,744, or 3 cents per share, based on 5,721,217 shares outstanding, reported in the like year-ago period.

Earnings per share for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, reflect the issuance of a total of 3,450,000 new shares as a result of the company's initial public offering in September-October 1989.

Commenting on the results, Fred Jacobs, chairman of Megamation, said: ''The increase in revenues reflects the company's expanded marketing efforts. The increased net loss is primarily attributable to the expenses associated with these activities.''

Megamation Inc. manufactures, markets and sells automated multiple head robotic assembly systems known as the MEGA I System. The company designed and developed the MEGA I System primarily for small-parts assembly and handling applications in the electronics, light manufacturing, automobile and other industries.

MEGAMATION INC.
Consolidated Income Statement
Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 666,150	$ 475,268
Cost of sales	488,510	355,125
Gross profit	170,640	120,143
Selling, general and administrative expenses	441,886	240,323

Research and development costs	66,731	38,192
Interest expense	50,441	30,875
Interest income	(9,831)	(3,503)
	549,227	305,887
Net income (loss)	$(377,587)	$(185,744)
Net income (loss) per share (a)	(4 cents)	(3 cents)
Average shares outstanding	9,106,000	5,721,217

(a) Per-share results reflect the issuance of a total of 3,450,000 new shares in September-October 1989.

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NASHVILLE, TN (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Former political reporter Jane Alvis Hagewood will be responsible for the newly created Memphis, Tenn. office of The Fulton Group, former Nashville Mayor Richard Fulton, chairman, announced Thursday.

The Nashville-based Fulton Group was formed in 1987 and specializes in business development and public affairs consulting. Several of the nations largest firms are among its clients.

For the past five years, Hagewood has been associate editor of The Tennessee Journal, a newsletter published by M. Lee Smith Publishers & Printers on state government and politics. She also served as director of product development for the publishing company. Prior to that, the David Lipscomb graduate served as a press and scheduling aide to Governor Lamar Alexander.

Hagewood, a Memphis resident, will divide her time between the Nashville and Memphis offices of the firm.

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STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Champion International Corporation Thursday declared regular quarterly dividends on the company's common stock and $92.50 cumulative convertible preference stock.

A quarterly dividend of 27-1/2 cents per share on Champion's common stock will be paid on January 8, 1991 to holders of record on December 17, 1990.

A quarterly dividend of $23.125 per share on Champion's $92.50 cumulative convertible preference stock will be paid on December 31, 1990 to holders of record on December 17, 1990.

Champion is one of America's leading manufacturers of paper for business communications, commercial printing, publications and newspapers.

Headquartered in Stamford, the company owns or controls 6.4 million acres of timberlands in the United States and is also a major manufacturer of plywood and lumber.

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DOUGLASTON, NY (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - New York Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:NYBC), the holding company for Home Federal Savings Bank, Thursday reported net income of $4.2 million or $1.23 per share for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with $3.4 million or 97 cents per share for the year ended Sept. 30, 1989 and is the company's strongest performance since going public in 1988.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income amounted to $.5 million or 15 cents per share, compared with $.9 million or 26 cents per share for the prior year period.

The company reported net interest income, or ''core earnings,'' for the quarter of $6.7 million, an increase of $1.5 million or 29.2 percent from the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. This increase was due primarily to the improvement in both net interest rate spread, from 1.61 percent to 2.26 percent, and net margin, from 1.93 percent to 2.66 percent.

Total assets for the company amounted to $1.1 billion at Sept. 30, 1990. The bank's cumulative one year gap at Sept. 30, 1990 was negative 4.13 percent.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, Home Federal Savings Bank continued to maintain ''tangible capital,'' ''core capital'' and ''risk-based capital'' of approximately $54.4 million, $54.4 million and $78.8 million, respectively. These capital calculations exceeded regulatory requirements by $38.5 million, $22.5 million and $43.5 million, respectively.

During the quarter the bank realized $2.0 million of additional other operating income from interest on Federal income tax refunds resulting from an Internal Revenue Service review of the company's calendar tax years 1968 through 1985.

Consequently, other operating income amounted to $2.7 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $.7 million for the prior year period. Other operating expenses amounted to $4.9 million or 1.83 percent of average assets during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $4.1 million or 1.50 percent of average assets in the prior year period.

New York Bancorp Inc. is the holding company for Home Federal Savings Bank which conducts retail banking and lending activities through nine offices located in Queens, Nassau, Suffolk and Westchester counties.

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PARSIPPANY, NJ (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Thursday introduced an all-digital, tapeless answering machine with a radically different style.

This tapeless technology gives users superior sound quality and instant response.

''With no moving parts, the AT&T Answering System 1337 is basically a high-speed computer designed to process speech with digital sound clarity,'' said Steve Bennett, AT&T product manager. The machine stores messages on an electronic memory chip.

The new technology is packaged in a vertical style that takes up only 10 square inches of table space and is less than six inches tall.

The AT&T Answering System 1337 has more than seven minutes of recording time -- more than any other digital machine on the market -- and allows up to one minute for each message.

''Consumers tell us their average message length is about 40 seconds, so the recording time of the 1337 is ample for the vast majority of answering machine users,'' Bennett said. He added that AT&T research on average message length and average messages per day shows the 1337 meets the needs of 90 percent of answering machine buyers.

The digital circuity allows users to play back messages, repeat messages or skip messages instantly, without waiting for tapes to forward or rewind.

''Users can save some messages and delete others, making it ideal for households that get messages for various family members,'' Bennett said. ''When the kids get home from school, they can listen to and erase their messages without erasing messages for their parents.''

When away from home, users can call the machine from any touch-tone phone and retrieve, repeat, erase or save messages by using a two-digit security code, which they can change.

If a user picks up any extension phone while the outgoing announcement is playing, the machine can stop the announcement so the user can take the call and reset itself automatically for answering incoming calls. It includes a 9-volt battery to protect messages during a power interruption.

The AT&T Answering System 1337 has a suggested retail price of $139.99 and is available at AT&T Phone Centers nationwide. In early 1991, it also will be available at other retail stores across the country.

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TEMPE, AZ (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - MicroAge Inc. (NASDAQ:MICA) reported net income of $6.5 million, or $1.46 per share, for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30 1990, a 54 percent increase compared to fiscal 1989 net income of $4.2 million, or 96 cents per share.

Revenue for fiscal 1990 reached a record $622.5 million, a 71 percent increase compared to $363.9 million in fiscal 1989.

Net income for the fourth fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1.6 million, or 36 cents per share, an increase of 39 percent compared to $1.1 million, or 26 cents per share, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Revenue for the fourth fiscal quarter was $169.5 million, an increase of 64 percent compared to $103.2 million in the corresponding quarter in fiscal 1989.

Gross margin for the quarter was 8.3 percent of revenue compared to 10.8 percent in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. This decline in gross margin percent was expected and was due primarily to the transition throughout fiscal 1990 from a royalty based program to lower margin cost-plus programs. The gross margin decline was offset by the increase in revenue and a lower relative increase in operating expenses.

The company was able to realize economies of scale as evidenced by the decline in selling, general and administrative expenses to 6.7 percent of revenue for the quarter, from 8.7 percent in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

MicroAge is an international sales organization of franchised, dealer and

company-owned locations.

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BURBANK, CA (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - dick clark productions inc. (NASDAQ:DCPI) reported net income increased to $133,000, or 2 cents per share, in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 compared to $14,000 reported for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

First quarter revenues in fiscal 1991 were $6,299,000 compared to $6,863,000 for the same period last year.

Francis C. La Maina, president and chief operating officer, attributed the increase in profitability for the three month period to gross profit generated from license fees and commissions earned in connection with the ''American Music Awards Concert Series,'' scheduled to take place in Japan next spring.

Television production during the quarter included ''Farm Aid IV'' for CBS and a new episode of ''Super Bloopers and Practical Jokes.'' In addition, two episodes of ''Super Bloopers and Practical Jokes'' previously produced were licenced to NBC for repeat broadcast. In the first quarter the company continued to deliver episodes of the ''Let's Make a Deal'' game show series on NBC and ''The Challengers'' first run syndication game show series for Buena Vista.

La Maina said, ''In the first quarter of fiscal 1991 we also continued to focus on utilizing our trademarks and other assets to increase our opportunites during the coming years. One of the more significant events was the booking of all talent for the Spring '91 American Music Awards concert series in Japan. Artists scheduled to appear are Gloria Estefan, Whitney Houston, Kenny Rogers, Steve Winwood, Bobby Brown, Donna Summer and Cyndi Lauper.''

La Maina added, ''We continue to explore expansion opportunities for the American Bandstand Grill. It is the most developed example of our strategy to extend the company's trademarks and other assets into new revenue streams.''

Founded in 1957, dick clark productions develops and produces a wide range of television programming including entertainment specials and series, dramatic and situation comedy series and movies and game shows.

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PARIS (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Executive Board of LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton (NASDAQ:LVMHY), the Paris-based luxury products group, Thursdy declared a 1990 interim dividend of FF 16.50 per share, before ''Avoir fiscal'' tax credit of FF 8.25. The dividend represents a 10 percent increase over the 1989 interim dividend. As last year, the interim dividend will be paid out in November and not in February of the following year, as had been the practice before 1989.

Dividends payable on American Depositary Receipts (ADRs), each representing one-fifth of an ordinary LVMH share, will be distributed by Morgan Guaranty Trust, the depositary bank, in corresponding dollar equivalent amounts per ADR.

The company also reported that its sales for the first nine months of 1990 totalled FF 13.5 billion ($2.6 billion, at the
FF 5.2450). This confirms the pattern, seen in the half-year performance, of a steady increase in local revenues largely offset by unfavorable currency movements. On a comparable exchange rate basis, sales would have increased by 11 percent in the first nine months of 1990.

Consolidated sales should record stronger growth in the fourth quarter of the year, reflecting such favorable trends as a sizable increase in the sales of Louis Vuitton Malletier and the higher exchange value of certain currencies, notably the Japanese yen, against the French franc in recent months.

LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton is one of the world's largest companies specializing in luxury products. Its prestige brands include Dom Perignon, Moet & Chandon, and Veuve Clicquot champagnes; Hennessy and Hine cognacs; Louis Vuitton luggage, leather goods and accessories; Givenchy Couture; and Christian Dior, Christian Lacroix, Givenchy, and Roc perfumes and cosmetics.

LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton ordinary shares, each equal to 5 US ADRs, trade on the Paris Stock Exchange, and may be accessed on the Reuter Equities 2000 service under LVMH.PA and on Quotron under LVMHF.EU.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Falcon Cable Systems Co. (ASE:FAL), a California limited partnership, Thursday reported increased revenues and cash flow for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30.

For the third quarter of 1990, revenues increased 37.1 percent and operating

income before depreciation and amortization grew 42.0 percent over the like period in the prior year. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Falcon's revenues grew 31.7 percent, while operating income before depreciation and amortization rose 41.2 percent as compared with the like period in the prior year.

The partnership recorded revenues of $10,472,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $7,640,000 for the like period in 1989. Operating income before depreciation and amortization for the third quarter increased to $5,267,000 from $3,709,000 for the corresponding three months in 1989.

Falcon achieved revenues of $28,568,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $21,693,000 for the like period in 1989. Operating income before depreciation and amortization for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, rose to $14,447,000 from the prior year total of $10,231,000.

On Sept. 30, 1990, Falcon's subscribers totaled 171,400, an increase of 20.9 percent over the total of 141,800 subscribers on Sept. 30, 1989.

While increases in revenues and cash flow reflect the impact of acquisitions during the reporting periods, the partnership achieved improvement in monthly revenue per subscriber and cash flow margins compared with prior year results.

However, this improved operational and financial performance is not readily apparent from a net income standpoint where the partnership continues to post net losses due primarily to increases in non-cash depreciation and amortization expenses and higher interest charges related to increased debt levels associated with acquisitions and capital expenditures.

The partnership experienced a net loss of $2,653,000, or 41 cents per equivalent limited partnership unit, and $7,987,000, or $1.25 per equivalent limited partnership unit, for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $1,396,000, or 22 cents per equivalent limited partnership unit, and $3,138,000, or 49 cents per equivalent limited partnership unit, for the like periods in 1989.

The partnership owns, operates and develops ''classic'' cable television systems in more than 115 communities in California and western Oregon that do not receive a wide variety of clear broadcast reception.

Falcon Cable Systems Co. is one of seven separate partnerships affiliated with Falcon Cable TV, which together (including pending acquisitions) serve more than 800,000 subscribers in over 500 communities in 28 states.

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DENVER (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Gold Corp. (NASDAQ:USGL) Thursday reported a $30 million write-down in its investment at the Tonkin Springs mine resulting in a net loss for the third quarter of 1990 of $30.1 million, or 64 cents per share, on revenues from bullion sales and hedging income of $1.9 million.

This compares to net income of $188,000 on revenues of $4.6 million for the comparable period of 1989. The 1990 results include the loss of $2.7 million on the sale of the White Pine property and extraordinary items which total a loss of $347,000.

''Although the write-down reflects the present difficulties at Tonkin Springs, we believe the potential joint venture with Homestake Mining Co. will prove to be very positive for the project and the company. An agreement in principle to joint venture Tonkin Springs with Homestake Mining has recently been presented to the company's senior secured lender for their approval,'' said William W. Reid, president of U.S. Gold.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $20 million, or 42 cents per share, on revenues of $3.9 million. The 1990 results include a $2.8 million, or 6 cents per share, extraordinary credit as well as the gain of $10.9 million on the sale of the company's interest in the Hayden Hill property completed in the first quarter. This compares to a net income of $1.4 million, or 3 cents per share, on revenues of $11 million for the same nine month period of 1989.

U.S. Gold is a Denver-based gold mining company which owns the Tonkin Springs gold mine in Nevada and holds gold properties in other western states. The company is listed on the NASDAQ National Market.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Ogden Corp. announced that it declared a quarterly cash dividend of 31-1/4 cents per share on its common shares, payable Jan. 4, 1991, to stockholders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990.

It was also announced that Ogden declared a cash dividend of 83.76 cents per share on Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, payable Dec. 28, 1990, to Series A Stockholders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990.

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DALLAS (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Babbage's Inc. (NASDAQ:BBGS) the nation's leading chain of consumer software specialty stores, Thursday reported a 47 percent increase in sales to $25,023,000 for the third quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Nov. 3, 1990, compared with $17,070,000 for the like quarter last year.

Net loss for the quarter was $627,000, or 12 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $779,000, or 15 cents per share, reported for the like period last year.

For the nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990, sales increased 44 percent to $75,401,000 from $52,356,000 for the like period last year. The company reported a net loss of $1,022,000, or 19 centsper share, compared to a net loss of $809,000 or 15 cents per share, for the like period last year.

The lower net loss for the quarter resulted from effective expense control programs and higher sales, which offset the impact on gross margin of the continuing change in the sales mix toward lower-margin products. As a result of the change in sales mix, the company's gross margin was 29.2 percent for the third quarter, compared with 31.8 percent a year ago.

During the quarter Babbage's opened seven stores and closed one store, and, as of Nov. 15, 1990, operated 178 company-owned stores in 30 states. Virtually all of the company's stores are located in major regional shopping malls.

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BOSTON (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Bradley Real Estate Trust (AMEX:BTR) reported Thursday that the funds from operations for the third quarter were $.15 per share vs. $.11 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, funds from operations were $.38 per share vs. $.31 per share for the same period.

Funds from operations is defined as net income before depreciation and amortization less gains on sale of real estate and deferred rent collections. Management believes that funds from operations is an appropriate measure of the trust's operating performance and that reductions for property depreciation and amortization charges are not meaningful in evaluating the

operating results of the trust's income-producing real estate, which have historically been appreciating assets.

Bradley Real Estate Trust is a real estate investment trust (''REIT'') that is engaged in the business of acquiring, renovating and holding established income-producing commercial real estate. The trust was founded as a Massachusetts business trust in 1961 and is the country's oldest continuously qualified REIT.

Bradley Real Estate Trust
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenue	$2,461,322	$2,089,820
Net income	269,142	174,525
Net income per share	0.07	0.04
Funds from operations-(a)	549,850	440,755
Funds from operations per share	0.15	0.11
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,767,219	4,087,156
Dividends per share	0.20	0.17

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenue	$7,160,776	$6,193,529
Net income	517,230	407,610
Net income per share	0.13	0.11
Funds from operations-(a)	1,542,970	1,247,811
Funds from operations per share	0.38	0.31
Weighted average shares outstanding	4,032,721	3,604,846
Dividends per share	0.60	0.51

(a)-Funds from operations defined as net income before depreciation and amortization, less deferred rent collections.

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MIAMI (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Peoples Telephone Co. Inc. (NASDAQ:PTEL), announced operating results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

Revenues for the 1990 third quarter increased 113 percent to $9.99 million from $4.70 million in the comparable period last year. Net income for the 1990 third quarter was $160,192, or 6 cents per fully diluted share, compared to $245,039, or 6 cents per fully diluted share, in the 1989 third quarter.

Cash flow from operations (EBITD) for the 1990 third quarter increased 79 percent to $1.68 million, compared to $937,685 in the prior year period.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 79 percent to $24.5 million from $13.7 million in the like period last year. Pretax income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 12 percent to $1.27 million from $1.13 million in the comparable period last year.

The company accrued income taxes of $476,847 during the nine months in 1990, compared with $106,175 in 1989. Net income for the nine months in 1990 was $790,772, or 20 cents per share, vs. $1.18 million (including the cumulative effect of a prior year change in accounting principle), or 30 cents per share in the first nine months of last year.

Cash flow from operations (EBITD) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased 65 percent to $4.8 million, compared to $2.9 million in the prior year period.

Jeffrey Hanft, the company's chariman of the board and chief executive officer stated, ''We are continuing to balance our long term goals of building a strong public communications network while maintaining our short term goals of profitability and strong cash flow.

Peoples Telephone Co. Inc. is one of the nation's leading public communications companies, operating approximately 11,000 pay telephones in 22 states.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - EurekaBank, a Bay Area-based federal savings bank, is marking its 100th anniversary with both in-branch celebrations and the introduction of a special centennial credit card to highlight the milestone.

First incorporated in San Francisco as Eureka Building and Loan Association in November of 1890, the institution has now grown to a 35-branch network that spans the Bay Area from Santa Rosa to Monterey.

EurekaBank today ranks as one of the strongest financial institutions in the nation based upon its capital position. With assets of $1.8 billion, EurekaBank's earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30 reached $16.4 million.

EurekaBank will recognize its 100th anniversary additionally by launching a ''Centennial'' Mastercard. The specially designed card will carry a 16.9

percent rate and no annual membership fee for applications received by Dec. 31 1990.

Headquartered in Foster City, EurekaBank serves more than 100,000 households in the Greater Bay Area. As ranked by capital, the bank is one of the strongest financial institutions in the nation. For the first nine months of 1990, EurekaBank reported earnings of $16.4 million.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Gary N. Kocher will join Star Banc Corp. as executive vice president, Corporate Administration effective March 1, 1991.

The announcement was made Thursday by Oliver W. Waddell, chairman, president, and chief executive officer of the $6.1 billion Cincinnati-based bank holding company.

Kocher was formerly president and chief executive officer of Central Bancorporation; chairman, president and chief executive officer of The Central Trust Co. and vice chairman and a member of the management committee of PNC Financial. Prior to that, he was associated with Citicorp in New York and the Far East.

Waddell said, ''Mr. Kocher is one of our region's most astute and able bankers. His accomplishments and qualifications are outstanding, and we look forward to putting his talents to work for Star Banc Corp.''

Kocher stated, ''I am looking forward to joining Star Banc Corp. and remaining in Cincinnati. Star is a company with a great tradition in our area and is strategically positioned to grow and increase its already-strong presence in the dynamic regions of the tri-state.''

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HOUSTON (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Reliability Inc. (NASDAQ: REAL) Thursday announced revenues and results of operations for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $26,157,000 down 11 percent from revenues of $29,471,000 for the like period in 1989. Operations

for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 resulted in a net loss of $2,334,000, or 55 cents per share, compared to net income of $676,000 or 16 cents per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $8,357,000, down 10 percent from revenues of $9,246,000 for the like period a year earlier. Operations for the third quarter of 1990 resulted in a net loss of $987,000, or 23 cents per share, compared to net income of $52,000, or one cent per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Backlog as of Sept. 30, 1990 was $6,461,000, reflecting a five percent decrease over the June 30, 1990 backlog of $6,782,000. Backlog at Sept. 30, 1989 totalled $7,698,000.

A company spokesman stated, as expected, the loss in the third quarter was less than that of the preceeding quarter on slightly higher revenues. The Gulf Crisis has exacerbated an already weak electronics economy and a turnaround is not expected before the middle of next year.

In order to minimize the impact, we are aggressively reducing expenses in manufacturing, R&D, and overhead areas. However, we can expect continued losses in the fourth quarter of this year and probably the first quarter of 1991.

Reliability Inc. is based in Houston, with operating facilities in Durham, N.C.; San Jose, Costa Rica; Singapore; Slough, England; Tokyo, Japan; and Nenagh, Republic of Ireland. The company maintains technology centers in Sunnyvale, Calif. and Wakefield, Mass.

Reliability and its subsidiaries manufacture burn-in and test equipment, loading and unloading equipment and other peripherals for sale to manufacturers and volume users of integrated circuits.

The company also manufactures a line of power sources, including DC-to- DC power converters, and provides conditioning and testing services for integrated circuits in Singapore and Durham. After-sales installation and field service equipment is available to customers worldwide.

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WESTBURY, NY (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Dionics Inc., a special niche semiconductor/microelectronics manufacturer, Thursday reported a loss of $187,700, or 6 cents per share on third quarter 1990 sales of $498,800.

The same period in 1989 generated a loss of $173,000 on sales of $502,000. For the first nine months of 1990 sales of $1,623,200 produced a loss of $504,500, compared to sales of $1,827,100 and a loss of $455,200 for the same period in 1989.

''The financial strain placed on the company has become overbearing in recent months,'' according to Bernard L. Kravitz, Dionics' President. ''We need a quick infusion of either significant short-term orders or outside investment dollars to provide the working capital with which to continue operations. We are vigorously pursuing both in an effort to restore the company to a healthy condition.''

DIONICS INC.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$ 498,800	$ 502,100	$ 1,623,200	$ 1,827,100
(Loss) before income taxes	$(187,700)	$(173,000)	$ (504,500)	$ (455,200)
Provision for income taxes	---	---	---	---
Net (loss)	$(187,700)	$(173,000)	$ (504,500)	$ (455,200)
Net (loss) per share	$ (.06)	$ (.05)	$ (.15)	$ (.13)
Average Number of Shares Used in Computation	3,333,678	3,333,578	3,333,678	3,333,578

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ACTON, MA (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Co-operative Bank of Concord (NASDAQ:COBK) reported earnings for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 of $57,000, or 2 cents per share, as compared to $883,000, or 26 cents per share, for the same quarter last year.

Year to date earnings were $263,000, or 8 cents per share, compared with $1,737,000, or 51 cents per share, for the six months ended Oct. 31.

''The recessionary environment in Massachusetts continues to negatively impact our operations as increasing non-performing assets reduce interest income and the costs associated with managing foreclosed real estate rise. The near term outlook does not offer any relief from these factors,'' stated David E. Bradbury, chairman.

At quarter end, other real estate owned or substantively repossessed totalled $19,243,000. These properties are carried on the bank's books at their current fair market or net realizable value. Loans on a non-accrual status totalled $19,877,000, for which the bank maintains a general loan loss reserve of $4,458,00. Total non-performing assets equalled 6.01 percent of total assets on Oct. 31, 1990.

The bank received regulatory approvals to complete the previously announced sale of its Cohasset branch office. It is anticipated that the transfer will be completed in mid-December.

The Co-operative Bank of Concord, with assets in excess of $650 million, is a state chartered, FDIC insured co-operative bank with headquarters in Acton, Mass. and 14 retail banking office in Middlesex, Norfolk and Plymouth counties.

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NORRISTOWN, PA (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - General Devices Inc. (NASDAQ: GDIC), an international engineering service and temporary help company headquartered in Norristown, announced Thursday the results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Results are reported on a continuing operating basis reflecting the sale of a major part of its engineering service business earlier this year.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, General Devices reported a profit of $43,382 or 1 cent per share on sales of $421,932 compared to a loss of ($315,534) or (9 cents) per share on sales of $676,942 for last year's third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, GDIC reported a profit of $185,264 or 5 cents per share on sales of $1,351,205 compared to a loss of ($1,003,588) or (33 cents) per share on sales of $1,987,163 for the similar period of 1989.

Theodore A. Raymond, president and CEO, stated that GDIC is still active in the engineering services business and is investigating other areas of business to better utilize the company resources centering on the medical industry.

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LYNNWOOD, WA (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - As part of an on-going effort to improve operating efficiency, ELDEC Corp. (NASDAQ:ELDC) will reduce employment over the next three months by about 50 people, about 3 percent of the total workforce.

Although there will be no cost savings for FY'91 due to costs related to severance benefits, the move is expected to reduce future annual operating costs by nearly $1.5 million.

''We face a tightening market over the next several years,'' said ELDEC chief executive officer Max Gellert. ''We've implemented a rigorous quality improvement process. This process is continuing and will allow ELDEC to compete more effectively on the new airplane programs that have recently been announced.''

ELDEC custom designs and manufactures electronic and electromechanical products for aerospace and defense applications. Founded in 1957, the company is a sub-contractor to a large number of major aerospace and defense electronics contractors.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Leisure Technology (NYSE:LVX) Thursday announced a net loss of $8 million for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net income of $676,000 reported for the second quarter of the prior year.

Revenue for the period was $28.1 million vs. $40.6 million a year earlier.

After deducting preferred dividends, the company reported a primary and fully-diluted loss per share of $1.56 vs. primary and fully-diluted earnings per share of 3 cents for the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the net loss was $9.8 million on revenue of $51.1 million. This compares to net loss of $149,000 on revenue of $72.4 million for the first half of last year.

After deducting preferred dividends, the primary and fully-diluted loss per share was $1.98 for the first half of fiscal 1991 vs. a primary and fully-diluted loss per share of 22 cents for the prior year.

This year's second quarter revenue includes $15 million from the previously announced sale in August 1990 of Leisure Village Ocean Hills, an active adult

community in Oceanside, Calif. to a joint venture in which the company has an interest.

Second quarter housing revenue declined 69 percent to $12.4 million, compared to $39.4 million from housing sales in last year's second quarter. Consolidated results for the current year exclude housing revenue of $3.6 million at Leisure Village Ocean Hills.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Michael L. Tenzer attributed the decline in revenue from housing sales primary to a 40 percent reduction in units delivered as a result of adverse economic conditions in the housing industry and to a change in the sales mix toward lower-priced homes in the northeast and away from higher-priced homes in California.

During the second quarter, the company closed only 61 units compared to 96 units during the first quarter of fiscal 1991, and 155 units during the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

The current year's second quarter excludes 11 closings at Leisure Village Ocean Hills. The company's backlog of homes scheduled for future delivery was $32.3 million and $30.3 million on Sept. 30, 1990 and Oct. 31, 1990, respectively, excluding backlog at Leisure Village Ocean Hills of $5.8 million and $3.7 million respectively.

Backlog was $98.5 million and $96.8 million on Sept. 30, 1989 and Oct. 31, 1989, respectively.

Leisure Technology, founded in 1957, is the largest publicly owned nationwide developer of active adult communities and is currently developing active adult single-family or full-service retirement communities in New Jersey, New York, Florida, Illinois and California.

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TIMONIUM, MD (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Kirschner Medical Corp. (NASDAQ:KMDC) Thursday announced profits from continuing operations for the third consecutive quarter in 1990.

The company reported revenues from continuing operations for the third quarter of 1990 of $15,106,000, an increase of 18 percent over the $12,814,000 reported for the same period last year. Income from continuing operations for

the quarter of $193,000, or 8 cents per share, compared with a loss of $8,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Kirschner's revenues of $47,395,000 represent an increase of 17 percent over the $40,352,000 recorded for the nine month period last year. Income from continuing operations for the first nine months of $1,117,000, or 46 cents per share, compared with $2,304,000, or 95 cents per share in the same period last year.

The company's discontinued operations, Chick Medical Products Division, had income of $482,000 for the first nine months of 1990, compared with a loss of $1,638,000 in the same period of 1989. The company said the pending sale of Chick announced on Nov. 6, 1990, will enable Kirschner to continue concentrating on improving its core orthopedic business.

Kirschner said revenue growth in continuing operations is due to increased sales in reconstructive surgery and trauma products, mainly the Performance Knee System and IQL's reconstructive implants, and sales of medical video products at MP Video which was acquired in August 1989.

Kirschner develops, manufactures and markets orthopedic instruments and implants including Reconstructive Surgery, and Trauma Devices, Orthopedic Support Products, and Medical Endoscopic Systems. The company operates facilities in Timonium; Fair Lawn, N.J.; Delray Beach, Fla; Marlow, Okla.; Hopkinton, Mass.; and Valencia, Spain.

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MELBOURNE, FL (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - SKYDATA Inc. has solidified its worldwide satellite communications business position through major investments made by MATRA ESPACE (France) and SAMSUNG LTD. (Republic of Korea).

SKYDATA was incorporated in July 1989 by former executives of the Harris Corp. Satellite Communications Division, (more recently known as Business Communication Systems Division), and purchased substantially all of the assets of that division.

MATRA ESPACE, is a subsidiary of MATRA, a four billion dollar French company headquartered in Paris. SAMSUNG is a 40 billion dollar corporation headquartered in Seoul, Korea. In addition to providing investment, technical and manufacturing support, MATRA will be responsible for marketing SKYDATA products and systems in Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

SKYDATA will be responsible for product development and marketing for the

remainder of the world, while SAMSUNG will be involved in manufacturing. SKYDATA, working in conjunction with MATRA and SAMSUNG, plans to develop a complete line of satellite and data communication products and systems.

Scheduled first for completion are products for satellite ''C'' Band and ''Ku'' Band data receive-only and SCPC applications.

Additionally, SKYDATA offers complete systems design, integration and installation services for turnkey voice, data and video satellite communication networks, and is the exclusive U.S. distributor for MEI (Matsushita) ''Ku'' Band RF/IF SCPC products.

SKYDATA is headed up by Chairman and Chief Executive Officer John R. Todd, a former Harris employee for 25 years. The Team forming SKYDATA have a combined experience of over 200 years in satellite communications.

They were directly involved in the design, manufacturing, and installation of domestic and international satellite ground station programs worth more than $500 million.

SKYDATA is headquartered in Melbourne, Fla. and may be reached at 407/724-9630 FAX 407/729-8475. For further information contact Mr. Pat Faris, vice-president of Marketing and Sales, SKYDATA Inc., 7780 Technology Drive, West Melbourne, Fla. 32904.

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DENVER (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - EDS' Energy Division announced Thursday that it has signed a 10-year agreement with Colorado-based Cyprus Minerals Co.

EDS will be responsible for the majority of Cyprus' information systems and communication needs.

The contract with Cyprus continues EDS' growth in mining-related business and adds to EDS' significant presence in Denver, a major center for the mining industry. Over the last 6 months, an agreement with Westmoreland Coal, a strategic relationship with Australian-based Mincom and this agreement with Cyprus all form the base for EDS' increasing presence in providing information technology systems for the U.S. mining industry.

Under terms of this agreement, EDS systems experts will integrate and operate Cyprus' administrative and strategic business systems, as well as plan future design modifications.

Kenneth J. Barr, chairman and chief executive officer of Cyprus, said his company expects to realize several important benefits from the relationship.

Dallas-based EDS has operations in 28 countries and is the world leader in providing information technology solutions to customers in a variety of industries. EDS' energy division serves the mining, oil, gas, chemical, pharmaceutical and utility industries worldwide. Stock reflecting the performance of EDS is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

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ARLINGTON, TEXAS (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Total Assets Protection, Inc. Thursday reported that lower results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, have prompted a corporate restructuring.

In the quarter, contract revenues dropped to $3,087,538 from $4,453,804 in the 1989 quarter. Sales of equipment were up slightly but that did not offset a sharp decline in consulting revenues, TAP said. The net loss for the quarter totaled $1,222,604, or 29 cents a share, on 4,159,507 weighted average shares outstanding, versus net earnings of $296,942, or seven cents a share, on 4,147,907 weighted average shares outstanding a year ago.

In the nine months, contract revenues rose to $14,213,373 from $9,156,505 in the same three quarters last year. The net loss amounted to $1,292,483, or 31 cents a share, on 4,155,640 weighted average shares outstanding compared with a net loss of $2,618,354, or 63 cents a share, on 4,147,463 weighted average shares outstanding in the year ago period.

The company said its current ratio stood at 1.14 to 1 at Sept. 30, working capital totaled $417,083 and shareholders' equity amounted to $1,747,354, or 42 cents a share, based on the 4,155,640 weighted average shares outstanding during the nine months this year. Total assets amounted to $4,854,125 compared with $9,915,257 at the same point a year ago.

President J. C. Matlock noted that since returning the company to profitability is paramount management has instituted a corporate restructuring. Highlights of its moves include changes and cuts in the sales and marketing units and a strategic corporate downsizing to better fit current business levels and mix. ''We are reducing our organizational structure both in terms of personnel and operating costs,'' he added. ''The object is to

return TAP to profitability as soon as possible,'' he stated.

TAP is an international architectural, engineering and consulting company providing fail-safe solutions for information system environments. TAP services include the planning and design of computer centers and other technologically enhanced facilities, disaster recovery and contingency planning, communications consulting and security analysis. ADCOM provides technology integration services, primarily in the audio-visual communications field.

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BASKING RIDGE, N.J. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Doctors today find it necessary to listen to more than their stethoscopes.

They've also heard AT&T has introduced sound ways for them to trim costs.

AT&T has signed an agreement with a subsidiary of the American Medical Association (AMA) to promote to AMA's 255,000 members substantial discounts on AT&T long distance services.

AMA members who choose to participate in the program will receive discounts that range from 10 to 24 percent on AT&T long distance services.

''This agreement gives AMA members significant savings,'' said Terry Sidlow, president of AM Members Services, a subsidiary service group of the AMA. ''In the first month alone, almost 2,000 AMA members signed up for the service proving that the medical profession welcomes any quality product or service that provides a solution and helps hold the line on medical care expense.''

''These discounts are made available through our Commercial Affiliation Program,'' said Dan Black, AT&T national sales manager. ''The program is available to groups that have an aggregate monthly billing of at least $20,000.''

Approved in 1989, AT&T's Commercial Affiliation Program is available to associations and commercial organizations. In addition to the $20,000 per

month aggregate billing, each member must average a minimum of $75 per month over a twelve month period.

Physicians interested in obtaining more information about the program may call AT&T at 1-800-367-3604 or AM Members Services at (312) 419-5042.

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HAMILTON, OH (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - On Nov. 15, the directors of Ohio Casualty Corp. declared a regular quarterly dividend of 58 cents per share payable Dec. 10 to shareholders of record Dec. 1.

This brings the total 1990 dividend payment to $2.32 per share, an increase of 12 percent over the $2.08 per share paid in 1989.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF (NOV.15) BUSINESS WIRE - The following is a statement by M.L. McAlister, president of Downey Savings and Loan Association (NYSE:DSL) of Newport Beach:

''Downey Savings, through its service corporation and joint venture activities has sold two parcels of land in Salinas, Calif., for $45 million. A one-time profit of approximately $9.5 million will be realized from this sale in December 1990 which is subject only to a 30-day public right of referendum, expiring Dec. 3, 1990.

''Since the passage of FIRREA last year, total real estate sales, which includes joint venture sales, amounted to $110 million. These sales generated a profit of $24.7 million. An additional $10.8 million of profit has been deferred until certain regulatory and accounting requirements are met.

''Because of the slowing economy and sluggishness in real estate sales, the potential overall gains from Downey's real estate portfolio has softened. Cap rates are higher, consequently sales prices are lower.

''In addition, foreign buyers are not as plentiful due to the increased interest rates abroad. While it would be much better to market our real estate in an up market, FIRREA mandates us to sell our entire real estate

portfolio, so we will continue to prudently do so.

''Considering all the financial woes of today, management is pleased with its financial results -- Downey Savings is reporting profits instead of losses.''

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PORTLAND, ME (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - ImmuCell Corp. (NASDAQ:ICCC) Thursday announced that its total revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $1,983,555 as compared to $1,952,138 recorded for the same period in 1989.

The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 decreased to $(707,539) as compared to $(752,191) for the same period in the prior year. The net loss per common share outstanding (restated retroactively to reflect a one-for-100 reverse split of the company's common stock, which was approved by the shareholders' of the company effective July 23, 1990) decreased from $(.38) to $(.36) for the first nine months of 1989 and 1990, respectively.

ImmuCell develops, produces, and markets antibody-based disease prevention products for both human and animal health care applications. The company completed its initial public offering in May of 1987, and its stock is traded in the over-the-counter market on the automated quotations system of NASDAQ, under the symbol ICCC.

IMMUCELL CORP.

esults of Operations and Summary of Financial Position

Sept. 30, 1990

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Total Assets	$ $3,289,720	$ 4,001,644
Cash and Investments	2,214,850	2,970,967
Current Assets	2,833,278	3,637,240
Stockholders' Equity	2,689,155	3,396,802

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$ 641,080	$ 863,919	$ 1,983,555	$1,952,138
Product Sales	461,162	692,920	1,449,358	1,470,042
Research and Development expenses	298,449	122,597	692,998	417,653
Net Loss	(325,065)	(51,784)	(707,539)	(752,191)
Net Loss per common share	$ (.16)	$ (.03)	$ (.36)	$ (.38)
Weighted Average common shares outstanding	1,991,986	1,992,009	1,991,986	1,992,009

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ROSELAND, NJ (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Automatic Data Processing Inc. has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 17 1/2 cents per share payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 17, 1990.

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DETROIT (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Intergraph Corp. (NASDAQ:INGR) introduced new design software products that make advanced technologies available in mechanical design, engineering, and manufacturing solutions.

Chief among these new offerings is the DataBeam CAD (Computer-Aided Design) Conferencing Module, which allows as many as eight engineers in separate locations to simultaneously view and edit a graphic image.

The product announcements were made at Autofact '90, the nation's leading computer design and manufacturing trade show, being held this week in Detroit.

The DataBeam CAD Conferencing Module enhances technical information management by instantly transmitting color or monochrome images and text to physically separated users. Drawing and engineering change orders can be discussed and approved simultaneously by responsible parties. The module uses software from DataBeam Corp. of Lexington, Ky.

''Intergraph's heritage in electronic design and computer integrated manufacturing uniquely positions us to offer CAD conferencing as part of an interactive graphics design environment,'' said Eliott James, president of Intergraph.

Significant Product Announcements

The company announced other CAD-related software packages today:

-- Intergraph Expert Tutor FEM (I/ET - FEM) guides users through finite element analysis using expert system technology. The software lets non-experts analyze routine finite element problems without engineering support, so experts can solve more challenging cases.

-- Intergraph Finite Element Modeling Solver p-adaptive module (I/FEM-P) analyzes a mechanical model's structural stress and flexibility using Rasna Corp.'s p-method analysis. This method is highly efficient, producing more accurate results and significantly reducing analysis time.

-- Intergraph Engineering Modeling System (I/EMS) will have variational design capabilities available in the next major release, version 2.0. These new functions significantly reduce model creation and editing time by automatically generating models based on user-specified constraints.

-- Intergraph Mechanical Component Library (I/MCL) is the industry's first system to generate solid models of standard mechanical assembly parts. I/MCL reduces modeling time and eliminates misrepresentation of standard parts in the assembly model.

-- ADAMS (Automatic Dynamic Analysis of Mechanical Systems) analyzes systems of moving parts, identifying problems in design before expensive physical prototypes are made. Intergraph will now sell ADAMS, from Mechanical Dynamics Inc., along with a CAD interface, Intergraph Mechanical Systems Modeler (I/MSM), through its international sales organizations.

''These products are introduced in Intergraph's tradition of supplying our users with industry-leading technologies across a spectrum of CAD applications '' said James.

Intergraph Background Information

Intergraph Corp.'s products include a broad range of complementary workstations and network servers, as well as complete application-specific systems for computer-aided design, engineering, manufacturing and publishing, plus numerous earth science applications.

A ''Fortune 500'' corporation, Intergraph is the world's largest company dedicated to developing and manufacturing interactive computer graphics systems.

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MOUNT LAUREL, N.J. (NOV 15) BUSINESS WIRE - AW Computer Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: AWCSA) Thursday announced results for the third quarter and the nine months ended Sept. 30.

Revenues for the three months ended on Sept. 30, were $1,063,038 compared to $696,480 in the third quarter of 1989, while revenues for the nine month

period in 1990 were $2,046,625 vs. $2,373,948 in the comparable period of 1989.

The company sustained a net loss of $47,064, or 1 cent per share, for the quarter and $367,974, or 11 cents per share, during the nine month period compared to $11,683 and $3,069, respectively, in the similar periods last year.

The company also reported that by March 31, 1991, it expects to deliver $961,000 of equipment to Safeway Stores Inc., the west coast super market operator in addition to the backlog of $525,000 of orders for systems and service.

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LAGRANGEVILLE, NY (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Command Security Corp. (NASDAQ:CMMD) announced the results of its second fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenue increased by 38.8 percent from $3,479,884 in the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989 to $4,830,772 in the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net earnings increased by 8.1 percent in the same quarter from $107,412 to $116,120. For the first six months, revenue increased by 30.3 percent from $6,537,629 to $8,518,224 for the periods ended Sept. 30, 1989 and Sept. 30, 1990, respectively.

Net earnings for both six months were essentially the same at $150,778 for the period ended Sept. 30, 1989 and $149,161 for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

William C. Vassell, president of Command, said, ''We are encouraged by our second quarter results as we were able to increase business in a poor economic environment. We believe that we can continue our aggressive growth rate for the forseeable future.''

Command Security Corp. provides security services through company-owned offices in New York and Connecticut and provides back-office service agreements to independent security companies nationwide. Command is the 33rd largest security company in the United States as reported by the Security Letter Source Book 1990-1991.

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ROSEMONT, IL (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - John C. Pope, chairman of Covia and executive vice president - marketing and finance for United Airlines, announced Thursday the appointment of Allan Z. Loren as Covia's president and chief executive officer, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Covia is a worldwide travel distribution company known for its Apollo computerized travel reservation system, which serves more than 15,000 travel agencies. A recognized leader in travel management automation, Covia is owned by United Airlines, British Airways, USAir, Swissair, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines Alitalia and Air Canada.

Loren joins Covia after serving Apple Computer for three years, most recently as president of Apple, U.S.A. Prior to joining Apple Computer, Loren spent 16 years with Cigna Corp., where he held a number of executive positions, including president of Cigna Systems, and chief information officer, and president of Cigna Service Co. and chief administrative officer.

''Allan brings with him an impressive breadth of experience that includes general business, marketing and technical skills,'' Pope said. ''He is recognized as one of the leading advocates and authorities in the strategic use of information systems for business. He will play a very important role in spearheading the future direction of Covia.''

Loren completed the Executive Management Program at Stanford University and holds a bachelor's degree in mathematics from Queens College in New York. He also completed advanced studies in mathematics and statistics at American University in Washington, D.C.

Loren is a board member and consultant to several emerging technology compaines in the Silicon Valley, including Cooperative Solutions. He has lectured extensively on the use of technology as a strategic asset.

He and his wife have three sons and currently reside in Saratoga, Calif. They will be relocating to the Chicago area.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Continental Corp. (NYSE:CIC) announced its board of directors Thursday declared a fourth quarter dividend of 65 cents per share of common stock.

The dividend is payable Dec. 15 to shareholders of record at the close of

business on Dec. 3.

The Continental Corp., headquartered in New York City, is a property/casualty insurance organization with over $5 billion in annual revenues. Its subsidiaries are leading writers of commercial and personal package policies and select specialty coverages through major independent agents and brokers.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:USXX) Thursday reported consolidated net sales of $2,167,472 and $5,605,499 for the three and nine month periods ending Sept. 30, 1990, respectively, up from $2,015,994 and $5,089,747 or an increase of 8 percent and 10 percent over the like periods in 1989.

Net icnome for the three month period was $10,208, or 0 cents per share vs. $403,987 or 3 cents per share for the like period in 1989. For the nine month period net income was $128,584 or 1 cent per share vs. $752,755 or 7 cents per share for the comparable period in 1989.

''Expenditures for research and development have impacted the Company's profits; but initial shipments of Republic's RPM began late in the 3rd quarter of 1990 and should have a significant impact on future revenues and profits,'' said Ryan Corley, president of U.S. Technologies.

On Nov. 5, Republic Technology Corp., a subsidiary of the company, signed a two year international distribution agreement valued at approximately $57.2 million with the LAN Group International, an international consortium of distributors of computer network products. This distribution agreement gives Republic access to U.S., Canadian and Western European markets.

Republic's RPM workstations are a fully-integrated workstation solution for Novell and other network operating systems, supporting Ethernet, ARCNET and Token Ring network systems.

U.S. Technologies

	Three Months ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Sales	$2,167,472	$2,015,994
Net Income	10,208	403,987
Earnings per share	0 cents	3 cents

Nine Months ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
Sales	$5,605,499	$5,089,747
Net Income	128,584	752,755
Earnings per share	1 cent	7 cents

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Eleanor A. Goede, 816/296-3602

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - MOCON (Modern Controls Inc.) (NASDAQ:MOCO) announced Thursday that on Nov. 13, its board of directors declared a cash dividend of 4 cents a share, payable on Feb. 15, 1991 to shareholders of record on Feb. 1, 1991.

The company has provided stockholders with quarterly dividends for the 11th consecutive quarter. Prior to the present policy of quarterly dividends, the company had been paying dividends on a semi-annual basis since 1984.

MOCON is a leading developer, manufacturer and marketer of high technology measurement instrumentation designed to test packages and packaging materials for permeation of gases and water vapor, and systems to measure the thickness of thin film materials during production.

MOCON testing instrumentation is used in quality control and research laboratories in the food and pharmaceutical industries, to test plastic packaging materials for cost effective protection against loss of color, flavor, fragrance, texture, potency and freshness.

The company also manufactures weighing and sorting instrumentation that helps the pharmaceutical industry maintain the rigid weight tolerances needed in producing drugs in capsule and tablet form.

MOCON's shares are traded over-the-counter and are listed in the NASDAQ National Market System. The company's electronic NASDAQ trading symbol is MOCO.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Tiffany & Co. (NYSE:TIF) Thursday declared a regular quarterly dividend of seven cents per share on the company's common stock.

The dividend will be paid on Jan. 10, 1991 to stockholders of record on Dec. 20, 1990.

Tiffany & Co. is an internationally renowned retailer with locations in the United States, the Far East and Europe. The company's merchandise offerings include an extensive selection of fine jewelry, stering silverware, china, crystal, watches, clocks, stationery, leather goods, scarves and fragrances.

In addition to its flagship New York store, Tiffany & Co. retail stores serve the markets of Atlanta, Beverly Hills, Boston, Chicago, Costa Mesa, Dallas, Houston, San Francisco and Washington. Exclusive Tiffany & Co. merchandise is also offered through a select group of prestigious jewelers and specialty retailers in other cities. Direct Marketing is carried out through the Corporate Division and the Selections catalog. International Retail sales are made in Japan through Tiffany & Co. boutiques in Mitsukoshi department stores and a wholesale distributor, as well as through Tiffany & Co. stores in London Munich, Zurich, Hong Kong and Taipei and Faraone stores in Milan and Florence.

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BERWYN, PA (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Linpro Specified Properties, a real estate investment trust (ASE:LPO), Thursday announced quarterly earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30 of $7,412, or 0 cents per share.

This compares to a quarterly loss of $9,929, or 1 cent per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. This improvement is attributable to the timing of the reimbursement for administrative expenses from Linpro Income Fund I Partnership (LIF).

The Trust's primary asset is its 68-percent equity interest in LIF, which owns and operates seven commercial and industrial real estate properties. LIF continues to retain all cash, except for administrative expense reimbursements to fund operating and capital expenditures.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Westvaco Corp. (NYSE: W), a major manufacturer of paper, packaging and chemicals, reported Thursday unaudited fourth quarter and year-end sales and earnings for fiscal 1990.

Sales for fiscal year 1990, which ended on Oct. 31, increased by 6 percent to a record level of $2.4 billion compared to the previous record of $2.3 billion in 1989. For the year, net income reached $188 million, or $2.90 per share, a decline of 16 percent from last year's all-time record of $223 million, or $3.45 per share.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, sales reached a record of $649.4 million, an increase of 7.7 percent over sales of $603 million in the previous year. Net income totaled $48.3 million, or 75 cents per share, compared with $60.8 million, or 94 cents per share in the same period in 1989. The United States economy showed diminished growth in 1990. In the middle of Westvaco's fiscal year, new economic policies created rapidly changed conditions in the Brazilian economy. During the late summer, the Middle Eastern crisis put additional negative pressures on the United States economy. While the company's earnings in this climate fell moderately below all-time record levels, they compared favorable with Westvaco's major competitors in North America.

Reflecting the company's sound progress, the board of directors in August voted to raise the quarterly dividend from 25 to 26-1/4 cents per share, an increase of 5 percent. The dividend action represents the twenty-first time in the past 27 years, and the sixth time in the last seven years, in which the quarterly dividend has been increased.

With the 1990 payment, the company has achieved 95 years of uninterrupted quarterly cash dividend payments, one of the longest records of any of the companies listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

WESTVACO CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statement of Income
(Unaudited)
In thousands

	Fourth Quarter Ended Oct. 31,		Twelve Months Ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$ 649,398	$ 602,963	$ 2,410,751	$ 2,284,059
Other income	5,945	5,651	29,224	43,517
	655,343	608,614	2,439,975	2,327,576
Cost of products sold	446,280	397,676	1,667,936	1,547,572
Selling, research and administrative expenses	64,476	54,400	220,100	208,466
Depreciation and				

amortization	44,637	40,365	168,948	155,684
Interest expense	18,638	11,705	55,955	43,264
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	574,031	504,146	2,112,939	1,954,986
Income before taxes	81,312	104,468	327,036	372,590
Income taxes	33,000	43,700	138,800	149,500
Net income	$ 48,312	$ 60,768	$ 188,236	$ 223,090
Net income per common share	$ .75	$ .94	$ 2.90	$ 3.45
Average number of shares outstanding	65,158	64,844	65,021	64,741

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CEDAR KNOLLS, N.J. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Schering Berlin Inc., the U.S. management holding company of Schering AG, Berlin, Germany, announced Thursday that it is reorganizing its pharmaceutical activities in two entities operating under the Berlex name: Berlex Laboratories Inc. and the newly formed Berlex Biosciences.

This reorganization follows the completion of the purchase of the pharmaceutical unit of Triton Biosciences Inc., Alameda, Calif., from Shell Oil Co., Houston, last week and the earlier acquisition of Codon, a South San Francisco biopharmaceutical company, in June 1990.

Berlex Biosciences will conduct basic research, primarily in oncology and cardiovascular disease, and will be the center for the development adn manufacture of protein-based health care products for the worldwide group of Schering AG, Berlin, Germany.

Employing more than 200 people, the newly formed Biosciences unit incorporates Codon and Triton's research and product development operations. Fred Craves, Ph.D., previously president and CEO of Codon, is managing the new research unit. Headquartered in South San Francisco, Berlex Biosciences also operates two additional R&D facilities in the San Francisco Bay area.

Berlex Laboratories Inc., Wayne, N.J. headed by Jorge R. Engel, has been active in the areas of cardiovascular disease, endocrinology, and in vivo imaging. Berlex Laboratories is now also responsible for commercialization of the oncology business. Commercialization activities for cancer therapeutics and other promising compounds remain in Alameda, where the former Triton clinical development and marketing/sales group are located. The Alameda

operation reports to Robert C. Cohen, executive vice president and COO. Berlex Laboratories Inc. has more than 1,100 employees.

In addition to pharmaceuticals, Schering Berlin Inc.'s business activities include agrochemicals, industrial and specialty chemicals as well as electroplating equipment and chemicals. Schering Berlin' U.S. group sales are expected to be close to $500 million this year.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC) Thursday announced that it had received a notice, provided for under its agreement with TVH Acquisition Corp. for the sale of The Home Insurance Co., that TVH had identified certain issues during its due diligence activities requiring further negotiation.

In accordance with the terms of the sales agreement, AmBase and TVH will negotiate and resolve the issues by mid-December 1990.

In delivering the notice, TVH reconfirmed its desire to proceed expeditiously to a closing of the transaction.

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Paul J. Robitaille, 212/530-7383

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The following is a summary of a presentation Thursday at the New York Society of Security Analysts by Robert Stein, chief executive officer, EKCO Group.

In a speech to the New York Society of Security Analysts Thursday, Robert Stein, president and chief executive officer of EKCO Group Inc. (NYSE: EKO), said that efforts to increase productivity and manufacturing efficiencies have positioned the company to improve earnings in 1991.

Before an audience of analysts and portfolio managers, Stein outlined the company's strategy.

''Our emphasis over the past three years has been to reduce debt, dispose of

non-strategic businesses, and consolidate and restructure our operations for greater efficiency. These efforts are expected to reduce annual operating costs by $3 to $4 million, beginning in 1991. We are now focusing on introducing new products, increasing market share, and expanding distribution while continuing to benefit from strong cash flow.''

Despite the soft economic environment, EKCO Group sees opportunities for growth. More than half of the company's business is with grocery stores and mass-merchant channels that historically have performed well during a recession. ''We primarily sell basic products that historically have not been affected by downturns in the economy,'' explained Stein.

''Our earnings thus far for 1990 are consistent with our expectations. On a year-to-year comparison, our gross margins are up, cash flow is improved, receivables and inventories are down. Excluding the first-quarter restructuring charge related to the consolidation of our Chicago-based kitchenware parts-fabrication operation into our Lititz, Penn., facility, there has been earnings improvement every quarter this year. If the current order pattern continues, I would expect earnings for 1990 to be better than last year, excluding the write-off taken in the first quarter.''

EKCO Group Inc. manufactures and markets a variety of consumer products which it broadly markets through leading retail outlets, including a range of household and recreational products carrying the ''EKCO,'' ''Baker's Secret,'' ''Best Results,'' ''Victor,'' ''Woodstream'' and ''Havahart'' brand names.

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TERRE HAUTE, IN (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - General Housewares Corp. (NYSE:GHW) announced Thursday that it plans to cease operations at its Minneapolis, Minn. facility.

The Minneapolis plant currently houses some manufacturing processes and a distribution activity for the company's Chicago Cutlery line. During the next six to eight months, Minneapolis's manufacturing processes will be consolidated with those located at the company's Wauconda, Ill., Chicago Cutlery facility, while distribution activities will be relocated to the company's corporate headquarters in Terre Haute.

In making the announcement, Paul A. Saxton, president and CEO, stated: ''This action is a key element in the company's continuing effort to enhance its

competitive position in the markets it serves.''

General Housewares Corp. is a leading manufacturer and marketer of cookware of cutlery products.

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  Paul A. Saxton, 812/232-1000

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HORSHAM, PA. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanta Corp. (NASDAQ:ADVN) announced Thursday that its wholly owned subsidiary, Colonial National Bank USA, has completed an offering of $210 million of credit card Floating Rate Asset-Backed Certificates.

Warren Kantor, chief financial officer, commented, ''This transaction reflects our 11th securitization of credit card and home equity receivables which have aggregated over $1.2 billion. Our successful securitization program is a vital part of the company's overall funding strategy, and we expect to remain an active participant.''

The Class A certificates, representing a senior interest, aggregated $180.6 million and were sold in the public market by Prudential-Bache and First Boston. The Class B certificates reflecting a subordinated interest, totalled $29.4 million and were privately placed.

The Class A certificates carry an Aaa rating by Moody's. The Class B certificates are rated A2 by Moody's and are supported by a letter of credit issued by State Street Bank and Trust Co.

Advanta Corp., a financial services boutique, serviced assets in excess of $2.3 billion at Sept. 30. Through its subsidiaries, the company markets credit cards, home equity loans, equipment leases and deposit products to consumers nationwide.

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     #90319b0793 11/15/1990 ~Business Wire
LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of First Fidelity Bancorporation (NYSE:FFB) Thursday approved payment of the regular quarterly dividends on both classes of its preferred stock.

First Fidelity Bancorporation Series B Convertible Preferred Stock will pay a

dividend of $.5375 per share on Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 1, 1990.

First Fidelity Bancorporation Series D Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock will pay a dividend of $2.088 per share on Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 1, 1990.

First Fidelity, with more than $29 billion in assets and more than 500 offices in New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania, is among the 25 largest banking companies in the country.

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  Paul J. Levine, 201/565-2949

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MIAMI (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - American Bankers Insurance Group Inc. (NASDAQ:ABIG) announced Thursday that it has entered into an agreement settling a portion of previously reported litigation.

This litigation involved credit risk (credit bond) insurance written on mobilehome loans by its property insurance subsidiary for one customer.

The company concluded that it was advantageous and in its best long-term interests to dispose of this portion of the litigation. Without admission of liability, the company joined with certain other parties in reaching a settlement with investors who held approximately 23 percent in principal value of the outstanding bonds.

The loans, originated by the major customer had been pooled and pledged to secure bonds sold to various investors. In 1987, the bonds became the subject of litigation following the customer's filing for bankruptcy.

The terms of the settlement are subject to certain confidentiality restrictions. Closing of the settlement agreement is expected to occur within 120 days. The company will then be released from all claims and all outstanding insurance obligations in connection with these bonds.

The company anticipates that this settlement will result in a fourth quarter 1990 charge of approximately $2 million pre-tax. The actual charge will depend upon the timing of certain payments to which the company will be entitled.

Claims asserted with respect to other bonds issued by this customer are not affected by this settlement. Litigation involving the remaining bonds issued by the customer is ongoing. Discovery is expected to continue through 1991. No date has been set by the court for trial of the actions.

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Jason J. Israel, 305/252-7024

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AUSTIN, TEXAS (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - HealthVest (ASE:HVT) Thursday announced results for the third quarter and nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the third quarter, the company reported a net loss of $1.8 million or 17 cents per share compared with net income of $1.8 million or 17 cents per share in the third quarter last year.

For the first nine months of 1990, HealthVest posted a net loss of $8.6 million or 80 cents per share compared with net income of $12.6 million or $1.13 per share in the same period last year.

Funds available for distribution or reinvestment for the third quarter totaled a negative $205,000 compared with $3.8 million in the year-earlier period, and for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to a negative $3.9 million compared with $18.7 million in the same period last year.

HealthVest's third quarter results continued to reflect the reduced revenues provided for under a standstill agreement with its principal operator, Healthcare International Inc.

This standstill agreement expired on Oct. 31, 1990. Additionally, revenues from two operators other than Healthcare have declined during the second and third quarter of 1990 as HealthVest also experienced collection problems with those operators.

HealthVest is a self-administered Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) that invests in income-producing health care-related properties including psychiatric, general health and rehabilitation hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, retirement centers, medical office buildings, medically oriented fitness centers, and facilities offering other related health care products and services.

HealthVest is listed on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol HVT.

CONTACT: Corporate Communications Inc., Nashville, Tenn., Patrick J. Watson, 615/254-3376

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MEMPHIS, TN (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Bruce E. Campbell Jr, chairman of the board of National Commerce Bancorporation (NASDAQ/NMS:NCBC) announced that at the board of directors meeting held Nov. 15, 1990, the corporation increased its quarterly cash dividend to 23 cents per share, representing a 9.5 percent increase over the previous quarterly dividend.

The dividend is payable Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 7, 1990.

In announcing the increased dividend, Campbell noted that the cash dividend has increased each year for the past 16 years. He stated, ''We are pleased with the improved year-to-date earnings and anticipate continued favorable operating results for the balance of 1990.''

National Commerce Bancorporation, headquartered at One Commerce Square in Memphis, has assets of $1.9 billion, and is the parent company of National Bank of Commerce, Nashville Bank of Commerce, and the NBC Knoxville Bank.

Other NCBC subsidiaries include Commerce Capital Management Inc., an investment advisory company; Commerce Investment Corp., a broker-dealer which offers a wide range of investment services; and Commerce General Corp., a data-processing company.

The common stock of the company is traded on the over-the-counter market in the National Market System of the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System (NASDAQ) under the symbol NCBC.

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Jekka Ashman, 901/523-3525

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#90319b0811 11/15/1990 ~Business Wire

AMSTELVEEN, THE NETHERLANDS (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Japanese government has granted KLM rights to operate scheduled freight services between Schiphol and the Japanese city of Nagoya.

This will be KLM's second Japanese destination, a city several hundred kilometers southwest of Tokyo.

KLM has also acquired the right to expand its trans-Siberian Tokyo services from two to three weekly flights. The number of weekly return flights between Schiphol and Tokyo will remain five. However, effective April 1, 1991, KLM may expand its Boeing 747 flights in all-passenger configuration from three to four per week.

Passenger capacity will, consequently, increase. Boeing 747 Combi aircraft will be operated on the fifth flight.

This expansion of rights on the Japan route is the outcome of constructive talks held in an open atomsphere in the past week between a delegation from the Netherlands Ministry of Transport and the Japanese Ministry of Transport at the Japanese capital Toyko.

The Dutch delegation was led by R.L.M. Schreurs, deputy Director-General of the Netherlands Civil Aviation Authority. KLM was also represented on the delegation.

KLM will operate the new Nagoya cargo service jointly with Nippon Cargo Airlines. The service is expected to commence during summer 1991. Scheduled cargo services between Schiphol and Tokyo have already been operated by KLM and NCA jointly since June 1988 on Nippon Cargo Airlines Boeing 747 all-freight aircraft.

The third nonstop trans-Siberian service will commence at the earliest date possible. The remaining two services will continue to fly via the North Pole route with an intermediate landing at Anchorage, Alaska. The duration of flights via the trans-Siberian route is shorter by six hours.

For information from the Ministry of Transport, the Hague, please call H. Hameleers at: 011-070-35-17-113.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Home Insurance Co. Thursday announced that it had completed the sale of its Canadian subsidiary, Commonwealth Insurance Co. to Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited for $49.35 million.

In 1989, Vancouver-based Commonwealth had gross written premiums of $122 million and net written premiums of $31 million, mostly in commercial property and energy-related coverages.

The Home Insurance Co. is among the nation's leading property and casualty companies, and writes a full line of coverages throughout the United States.

It is a subsidiary of AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC). The net proceeds of the sale will be retained by The Home Insurance Co.

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AmBase Corp., New York
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#90319b0816 11/15/1990 ~Business Wire
CHARLOTTE, N.C. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Ruddick Corp. (ASE: RDK) Thursday declared a dividend distribution of one preferred share purchase right on each outstanding share of Ruddick's common stock.

R. Stuart Dickson, chairman of Ruddick Corp., stated: ''The rights are designed to assure that all of Ruddick's shareholders receive fair and equal treatment in the event of any proposed takeover of the company and to guard against partial tender offers, squeeze-outs, open market accumulations, and other abusive tactics to gain control of Ruddick withouth paying all shareholders a control premium.''

The rights will be exercisable only if a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of Ruddick's common stock or announces a tender offer the consummation of which would result in ownership by a person or group of 20 percent or more of the common stock. Each right will entitle shareholders to buy one one-hundreth of share of a new series of junior participating preferred stock at an exercise price of $105.

If Ruddick is acquired in a merger or other business combination transaction, each right will entitle its holder to purchase, at the right's then current exercise price, a number of the acquiring company's common shares having a market value of twice such price.

In addition, if a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of Ruddick's outstanding common stock, each right will entitle its holder (other than such person or members of such group), to purchase, at the right's then-current exercise price, a number of Ruddick's common shares having a market value of twice such price.

Following the acquisition by a person or group of beneficial ownership of 20 percent or more of the company's common stock and prior to an acquisition of 50 percent or more of the common stock, the board of directors may exchange the rights (other than rights owned by such person or group), in whole or in part, at an exchange ratio of one share of common stock (or one one hundreth of a share of the new series of junior participating preferred stock) per right.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Group Inc. (AIG)

Thursday issued the following statement upon receipt by the company of a letter from Joan Claybrook, president of Public Citizen:

''After the publication last month by Public Citizen of its report on the property-casualty insurance industry, AIG objected to reference to it in the report. Specifically, AIG objected to any suggestion in the report, which AIG believes was irresponsible, that its financial condition was to any degree imperiled or impaired.

''Public Citizen has now acknowledged, in a letter from Joan Claybrook to AIG Chairman M.R. Greenberg, that any such suggestion in the report was neither intended nor accurate. Specifically, Public Citizen has acknowledged that AIG is neither in danger of becoming insolvent nor of becoming unable to meet its obligations.

''AIG had previously received and still holds the highest rating provided by each of the three most recognized professional rating organizations. Both Moody's and Standard & Poor's have accorded AIG their highest ratings (Aaa and AAA respectively), and A.M. Best has awarded AIG an A+ rating, its highest. AIG is the only property-casualty insurer to have received the highest ratings from each of these organizations. In Ms. Claybrook's letter to Mr. Greenberg, she acknowledged that Public Citizen 'does not dispute' those ratings.''

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-30- 1677
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CHARLOTTE, NC (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Thursday, the board of directors of Ruddick Corp. (ASE: RDK), at a regularly scheduled meeting, declared the following dividends:

	Amount Per Share	To Holders Of Record On	Payable On
Common	10 cents	Dec. 10, 1990	Jan. 1, 1991
56 cents convertible preference	14 cents	Dec. 10, 1990	Jan. 1, 1991

In addition, the directors set Dec. 10, 1990 as the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the annual meeting of shareholders to be held on Feb. 7, 1991.

Ruddick Corp. is a diversified holding company which, through its subsidiaries is engaged in four primary businesses: Harris Teeter Inc. operates a chain of supermarkets in four southeastern states; American & Efird Inc., manufactures and distributes industrial sewing thread and sales yarn; Jordan Graphics Inc.

produces and distributes business forms, tags and labels; Ruddick Investment Co. operates an investment management and venture capital business.

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland recently held elections for two positions on its board of directors and also announced the appointment of John R. Miller as chairman of the board.

Verna K. Gibson, president of The Limited Stores Inc., of Columbus, Ohio, was re-elected to a three-year term as a director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland.

Alfred C. Leist, chairman, president and chief executive officer of The Apple Creek Banc Corp and the Apple Creek Banking Co. of Apple Creek, Ohio, was elected to his first three-year term as director.

John R. Miller, currently deputy chairman of the board of directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, has been appointed chairman. Miller, a board member since 1986, was appointed chairman for a one-year term. He is managing director of TBN Holdings Inc., in Pepper Pike, Ohio, and formerly was president and chief operating officer of Standard Oil Company of Ohio.

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HOWELL, N.J. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Valley Corp. (AMEX:UVC) Thursday reported losses for the third quarter and nine-month period ended Sept. 30.

For the 1990 third quarter, the net loss was $3,634,000, or 96 cents per share compared to net income of $430,000, or 11 cents per share, in the same period last year. Third-quarter 1990 revenues declined to $15,522,000, from $22,129,000 in the 1989 third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the net loss was $8,073,000, or $2.14 per share, compared to net income of $1,046,000, or 23 cents per share, in the equivalent period of 1989. Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 decreased to $37,232,000, from $68,373,00 in the same period last year.

The company's profitability has been adversely affected by a severe downturn in the regional housing market. Buyers of new move-up and retirement housing

are experiencing difficulty in the sale of their existing homes. Furthermore, many prospective buyers have become cautious in the face of softening economic conditions.

Sales backlog, including non-binding reservations, on Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $25,734,000 or 209 units, compared with $39,294,000 or 276 units, on Sept. 30, 1989.

Union Valley completed a major refinancing of its lending agreements with First Fidelity Bank N.A., Newark, N.J., on Sept. 7, 1990. The new terms provide essential financing for the company's New Jersey homebuilding operations and certain overhead expenses. The new loan is due March 7, 1991.

Because of the need to generate cash flow to satisfy the terms of its agreement with First Fidelity, Union Valley may dispose of certain assets outside of the normal course of business, which may have an adverse impact on the company's ability to recover the carrying value of those assets. The company has provided reserves for possible loss on certain real estate assets, and may add to those reserves in the future, based on changing conditions in the market.

Union Valley continues to seek remedies to cure a default condition on its 14-1/4 percent subordinated debentures resulting from nonpayment of semi-annual interest due May 15 and Nov. 15, 1990. Discussions with major holders are ongoing.

Union Valley Corp. designs, builds and markets retirement and pre-retirement communities, non-age restricted housing and commercial real estate in New Jersey, Delaware and Pennsylvania.

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BOWLING GREEN, KY. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Trans Financial Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:TRFI), announced that its proposed $7.7 million cash acquisition of First Financial of Russellville Inc., the holding company for First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Russellville, was approved by First Financial shareholders yesterday.

The acquisition was completed today and First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Russellville opened its doors as Trans Financial Bank, F.S.B. The transaction represents the first acquisition in Kentucky of a thrift

institution by a bank holding company.

Trans Financial's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Douglas M. Lester, said: ''The Logan County/Russellville market is a natural extension of the markets we presently serve. We are committed to serving First Federal's existing customer base, as well as establishing new relationships with individuals and businesses in Russellville and the surrounding community.''

First Federal President and Chief Executive Officer Ken N. Mercer said: ''Effective today, we are offering a full range of Trans Financial's checking, savings, and retail loan products. These services, as well as Trans Financial's commitment to economic development, make this a landmark date for Russellville and Logan County.''

Lester also noted that First Financial shareholders wishing to exchange their stock certificates could do so at the bank in Russellville on Nov. 15, 16, and 19 or at Citizens National Bank's Trust Department in Bowling Green, beginning today. Formal letters of transmittal were mailed to First Financial shareholders yesterday. Trans Financial Bancorp is a $400 million bank holding company that serves southcentral Kentucky through 10 offices. Its stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol TRFI.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwest Airlines inaugurated service Thursday from Las Vegas to Reno offering the lowest unrestricted fares between the two cities.

The carrier is also adding new flights from Las Vegas to San Diego and Burbank.

Southwest will offer six daily nonstop roundtrip flights from Las Vegas to Reno on the newest pure jet fleet in the industry. Southwest already offers nonstop service from Las Vegas to Albuquerque, Burbank, El Paso, Ontario (Calif.), Phoenix, San Antonio, San Diego and direct or connecting service to 19 other cities on the Southwest route system.

Flights from Las Vegas to Reno will leave at 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 11:45 a.m., 1:15 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. weekdays. Return flights from Reno to Las Vegas will leave at 7:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12 noon, 3:15 p.m., 4:45 p.m. and 8:10 p.m. weekdays.

In addition to the new Reno and Ontario service, Southwest has also added one new roundtrip flight daily between Las Vegas and San Diego, which brings to

seven the number of roundtrips between those two cities daily.

The carrier has also added one roundtrip flight between Las Vegas and Burbank, bringing to seven the number of roundtrips offered each day.

In other new service, on Oct. 28 Southwest added service between Las Vegas and Ontario (Calif.) with five roundtrips daily. The highest unrestricted fare between the two cities is $59, and advance purchase "Fun Fares" start as low as $29.

Southwest Airlines offers the lowest fares with regular unrestricted coach fares of $59 to Reno. This is their highest fare. Southwest also offers advance purchase ''Fun Fares'' on a restricted basis starting as low as $39 for a 21-day advance purchase fare to Reno.

A ''$20 Take Along Fare,'' good for travel through Dec. 19, 1990, allows a regular fare customer to take along a companion for $20 to any Southwest Airlines destination when both tickets are purchased with the American Express Card. Some restrictions apply.

Southwest is also starting service today from Reno to Oakland with six roundtrips a day, and the highest unrestricted fare is $49. For reservations or information in the Las Vegas area, the phone number is 702/382-1221.

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MELVILLE, N.Y. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Vicon Industries, Inc. (ASE: ''VII''), a leading manufacturer of closed-circuit television (CCTV) systems, Thursday reported operating results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended September 30, 1990.

The announcement was made by Kenneth M. Darby, Chief Operating Officer, who stated that after the major restructuring at the end of the first quarter, Vicon had essentially operated at a break-even level for the past three quarters, which was in line with Company expectations.

Revenues for fiscal 1990 were $45.1 million, compared with $44.3 million for the previous year fiscal year. Vicon had a net loss of $317,000 ($.11 per share) compared with a net loss of $1,808,000 ($.68 per share) in fiscal 1989. Fourth quarter sales were $11.1 million, versus $11.8 million one year ago. The net loss for the quarter was $35,000 ($.01 per share) compared with a net loss of $1,295,000 ($.48 per share) for the same period last fiscal year.

Commenting on the results, Mr. Darby said, ''Since restructuring the Company

at the conclusion of the first fiscal quarter, operating performance has been stable and consistent. The objectives of the restructuring were to refocus sales and product development efforts on Vicon's primary markets, enhance customer satisfaction, stabilize quarterly revenues and reduce overhead enough to operate at a break-even level or better. We have achieved or made significant progress toward all of these objectives.''

Fourth quarter results were similar to those of the second and third quarters, with revenues exceeding $11 million and minor losses incurred in each quarter. Mr. Darby noted that, over the past three quarters, Vicon's revenues exceeded $33.8 million and, despite absorbing substantial costs from the restructuring moves in February, the net loss incurred in this period was only $105,000. He further added that Vicon's balance sheet was greatly improved as a result of lowering the Company's investment in inventory and receivables by more than $4 million since last fiscal year.

Looking ahead, Mr. Darby noted that fiscal 1991 will be the first year that Vicon will offer a full range of camera products, with the introduction of three new models planned for early in the calendar year. In addition, he emphasized that Vicon has substantially increased its sales coverage in the U.S. and certain foreign markets. ''I expect to see our revenues grow at a more normal rate in the future.''

Vicon Industries, Inc. designs, manufactures, assembles and markets a broad line of products for video surveillance. These products are used for security safety and control applications by a wide variety of end users.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - New York Telephone announced Thursday that it is disciplining 56 additional employees in its Buildings Department for accepting gifts and gratuities in violation of the company's Code of Business Conduct.

This week 28 employees were fired or resigned, and 28 others will lose pay or face other disciplinary action in the company's ongoing investigation. The company announced earlier this month that 15 employees had been fired or resigned between July 1989 and Oct. 1990.

The 28 employees who left the company received tips in cash, gratuities and gifts from vendors since 1985. The total amount of money received by all of

these employees came to nearly $50,000.

The other 28 disciplined employees remain with the company. Penalties range up to loss of pay. Since 1985 these employees accepted gifts such as liquor or gift certificates during the holiday season.

Cases involving allegations of criminal activities have been turned over to the Manhattan District Attorney's Office. The company is cooperating with the district attorney's office in a joint investigation. The investigation encompasses alleged criminal activities involving vendors as well as the employees.

New York Telephone began its joint investigation with the district attorney's office more than a year ago. As previously announced, that investigation led to the indictment and arrest of John Nobile. A vendor and his companies were also indicted. The investigation is continuing.

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala.(NOV 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Precision Standard Inc. (NASDAQ:PCSN) announced that it earned $625,000 (or 5 cents a share) for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, on net sales of $30.8 million vs. $1,505,000 (or 12 cents a share) on net sales of $41 million for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The company said that it earned $1,905,000 (or 15 cents a share) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, on net sales of $92.5 million vs. $3.7 million (or 29 cents a share) on net sales of $101.7 million for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Results for the comparable year-earlier period were adversely impacted by a $923,000 non-cash purchase accounting adjustment taken in connection with the company's September 1988 purchase of Hayes International Corp. (now Pemco Aeroplex Inc.).

Matthew L. Gold, the company's president, stated that, as for the prior three months, the results for the quarter were down primarily due to lower sales volumes and higher overhead rates resulting from slower than anticipated volume recovery following the 16-week work stoppage at the company's Birmingham facility which was settled in mid-January.

Gold said, however, that the Birmingham operations improvement program which the company announced in late June continued to generate savings.

Precision Standard, with facilities in Alabama, California, Colorado and Florida, and offices in Denver, Boston and London, performs maintenance and modification of aircraft for the U.S. government and foreign and domestic commercial customers.

The company also manufactures aircraft cargo systems, aerial targets for military customers, precision springs and components, and rocket vehicle and control systems.

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ARLINGTON, TX (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Technology Development Corp. (NASDAQ: TDCX) announced plans to form ''ComputerLand Texas'' with the signing of a non-binding letter of intention to acquire Techtron Corp., dba, ComputerLand Houston, and its wholly owned subsidiary, BradyTech Corp. dba, ComputerLand San Antonio.

TDC acquired Kaizen Corp., dba, ComputerLand Metroplex, in July, 1990, and if the acquisition of Techtron is successfully comleted, TDC will be the exclusive ComputerLand franchisee in Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston and San Antonio.

ComputerLand Corp., headquartered in Pleasanton, Calif., with its network of over 450 independently franchised business throughout the United States, is the world's largest reseller of microcomputer systems, equipment, and services.

TDC's objective in consolidating the major ComputerLand companies in Texas is to offer its clients improved network and systems technology, a more comprehensive distribution capability, and economies of scale.

Techtron Corp., a privately held Texas corporation, including its subsidiary BradyTech, recorded sales of approximately $22 million in 1989 with after-tax profits of $342,000; including ComputerLand Corp. assisted sales, total orders fulfilled in 1989 were about $36 million.

The company, which employs approximately 90 professionals in three offices in Houston and San Antonio, sells microcomputer systems and services to major corporations throughout Texas.

The business began as a ComputerLand franchise in Houston in 1981, with its present management acquiring ownership in 1984, including the San Antonio franchise in 1988.

The acquisition as presently structured in the letter of intention is valued at approximately $4 million, and will include cash, TDC common stock, and a

newly issued preferred stock, with a closing date of Dec. 21, 1990.

The agreement is contingent upon TDC's obtaining the financing necessary to close the transaction, and upon the approval of the Board of Directors of all of the companies involved.

Technology Development Corp., located in Arlington, Texas, is the Nation's largest independent developer of test software and related products and services for use by commercial, aerospace, and federal government organizations.

Through its subsidiary, ComputerLand Metroplex, the company sells microcomputer systems and services to industries and businesses in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex.

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (NOV 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Researchers at Genzyme Corp. have discovered how a defective gene associated with most Cystic Fibrosis cases results in the disease.

The research represents the first detailed study of the protein encoded by the altered gene and provides new insights into the mechanism of the disease that will help accelerate the search for new treatments and diagnostics. The work, to be published as the cover article of tomorrow's issue of the journal Cell, is the second major advance in Cystic Fibrosis research announced by Genzyme scientists in the past two months.

In the studies reported in Cell, the Genzyme researchers determined that in cells with the most commmon genetic mutation associated with the disease, the gene product, a protein called Cystic Fibrosis Transmembrane Conductance Regulator (CFTR), does not reach its proper destination on the cell surface. Instead, the critical protein remains incompletely processed within the cell, in effect rejected by the cell's own internal qualtiy control mechanisms.

''These are very exciting and unexpected results,'' said Alan E. Smith, Ph.D. Genzyme's senior vice president of research, ''and they provide a much clearer picture of the basic disease process in Cystic Fibrosis. For example, the results demonstrate that Cystic Fibrosis is a protein deficiency disorder -- a lack of mature CFTR in the proper location -- rather than a defect in protein function.''

Normally, the CFTR protein plays an important role in the transport of chloride ions out of the cell. The absence of mature protein from the cell

surface, and resulting change in chloride transport, is believed to result in the abnormally thick mucus build-up in the lungs that characterizes Cystic Fibrosis. The mucous build-up leads to the cycle of infection and tissue damage associated with the disease.

''We now have another critical piece of the puzzle by better understanding the basic defect in Cystic Fibrosis,'' said Robert K. Dresing, president and chief executive officer of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. ''This research offers important insights which could lead to the development of new therapeutic strategies.''

To determine what goes wrong when the CFTR gene is defective, the Genzyme scientists induced specific mutations in the gene and characterized the proteins encoded by these alterations. The principal altered version studied is called (delta)F508 and is present in at least 70 percent of Cystic Fibrosis chromosomes. The studies revealed through a variety of methods that several, but not all, variants produce immature protein that remains within the cell.

In late September, Genzyme scientists, in collaboration with researchers at the University of Iowa and Tufts University School of Medicine, reported in Nature that for the first time they identified and characterized the CFTR protein. They went on to demonstrate that by inserting a good CFTR gene into diseased cells, the molecular defect associated with Cystic Fibrosis could be corrected.

Cystic Fibrosis is among the most common lethal human genetic disorders. The disease affects approximately 30,000 individuals in the United States and occurs in one in 2,000-3,000 live births. The research reported in Cell was funded by Genzyme with support from a grant by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

The company is headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., with production and research facilities located in Cambridge and Framingham, Mass., and Maidstone and Haverhill, England, and an international sales and marketing office located in Tokyo, Japan.

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SPARTANBURG, SC (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - TW Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ:TWFS) Thursday announced that it has closed on a financing involving the issuance of $225 million of guaranteed bonds secured by 387 company owned and operated Hardee's and Quincy's restaurants.

The bonds bear interest at 10.25 percent and have a term of 10 years.

Proceeds have been applied to the prepayment of the bridge portion of TW Services' senior bank debt. As previously announced, the company expects to retire the bridge loan facility prior to its Dec. 1, 1990, maturity with the proceeds of the transaction closed today, along with $30.4 million in proceeds from asset sales already completed and one or more other financing transactions currently in process.

TW Services, which became a wholly owned subsidiary of TW Holdings on Dec. 6, 1989, is the fourth largest food service company in the United States based on 1989 revenues of $3.5 billion. The company is engaged in contract food and vending services, recreational services and restaurant operations through its Canteen, Hardee's, Quincy's, Denny's and El Pollo Loco business units.

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GREENWICH, CONN. (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of The Fund American Cos. Inc. (NYSE/PSE:FFC) has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 17 cents per share of common stock, payable Dec. 19 to holders of record Nov. 28.

Fund American is the parent of Fireman's Fund Insurance Company.

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#90319b0857 11/15/1990 ~Business Wire
MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - San Miguel Corp. (SMC), the Philippines-based beverage, food and packaging group, Thursday announced consolidated net sales of P10.53 billion (US$ 425.6 million (a)) during the

third quarter of 1990, an increase of 16 percent over the P9.11 billion during the same period last year.

Net income registered a decline of 64 percent from P664 million in 1989 to P238 million (US$ 9.62 million) in 1990.

The decline in net income of P426 million was due to a P142 million decline in income from operations of SMC itself, an increase in interest expense of P58 million and a decrease in non-recurring income of P85 million. In addition, equity in earnings of subsidiaries and affiliates dropped by P170 million mainly because of non-recurring income in 1989.

The decline in the company's income from operations was primarily due to lower sales volumes of beer in the third quarter compared to the same period last year. This was caused by a beer price increase following the implementation last July of Republic Act 6956, which drastically raised the ad valorem tax on beer from 37 percent to 50 percent.

In addition to the beer tax, SMC encountered distribution problems in Northern Luzon during the third quarter as a result of the July 16 earthquake.

The general economic slowdown, compounded by rising oil prices, mounting inflation and a depreciating peso, also strained the company's sales and profitability during the quarter. These were partly offset, however, by timely implementation of cost-cutting and productivity measures, as well as by improvements in the other operations of the company.

The rise in SMC's interest expense was a result of higher interest rates and additional loans necessary to finance the company's expansion and increased working capital requirements.

The company reported a non-recurring expense in the third quarter arising from the early retirement of some employees, in contrast to non-recurring income during the same quarter last year.

The decline in equity in earnings of subsidiaries and affiliates was due to the absence this year of non-recurring income compared to last year. The operations of subsidiaries, including San Miguel Hong Kong and Coca-Cola Bottlers Philippines Inc., showed marked improvement over last year.

The third-quarter results brought SMC's consolidated net income for the first nine months of 1990 to P1.28 billion (US$ 51.7 million), 39 percent lower than the P2.09 billion generated over the same period last year.

Consolidated net sales during the first three quarters totalled P31.16 billion (US$ 1.26 billion), or 17 percent more than the P26.58 billion generated over the same period last year.

The decline in income from operations over the first nine months of 1990 is attributable to several factors. These include higher prices of fuel and raw materials, newly negotiated wage increases and costs inherent to SMC's expansion and modernization program. The company also experienced work stoppages due to Collective Bargaining Agreement-related strikes, along with power interruptions during the first semester.

SMC management foresees no significant positive changes in the months ahead as the economy is expected to continue to slow. The rise in international crude oil prices will also continue to exert pressure on business costs.

The availability of foreign exchange is also expected to continue to be difficult, interest rates will remain high and higher inflation will further dampen consumer spending. All these will be exacerbated by the impending additional 10 percent increase in the ad valorem tax on beer in January 1991.

Founded in 1890, San Miguel is the Philippines' largest industrial enterprise and is active within the brewing and beverages, food and food-related, and packaging areas. San Miguel's shares trade on the Manila and Makati Stock Exchanges. San Miguel prices may be accessed on the Reuters Equity 2000 service under the symbol SMC, and on the electronic OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol 3SMGBF.

(a) US dollar equivalents translated for convenience only at the P24.74.

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RENO, NE (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwest Airlines (NYSE:LUV) inaugurated service Thursday from Reno Cannon International Airport with six roundtrips daily to both Oakland, Calif., and Las Vegas, launching a new scheducle of convenient flights for travelers.

Southwest will offer six daily nonstop roundtrip flights to both Las Vegas and Oakland on the newest pure jet fleet in the industry. Southwest will also offer one-stop service to Albuquerque, N.M.; Burbank, Calif.; El Paso, Texas; Ontario, Calif.; Phoenix; San Antonio; and San Diego.

Flights from Reno to Las Vegas will leave at 7:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m., noon, 3:15 p.m., 4:45 p.m. and 8:10 p.m. weekdays.

Flights from Reno to Oakland will leave at 8:25 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 1:10 p.m., 2:40 p.m., 5:55 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. weekdays.

Southwest Airlines offers the lowest fares in the Reno market. Regular

unrestricted coach fares are $49 to Oakland and $59 to Las Vegas. These are the highest fares. Southwest also offers advance-purchase ''Fun Fares'' on a restricted basis starting as low as $29 for a 21-day advance purchase fare to Oakland and $39 to Las Vegas.

A ''$20 Take Along Fare,'' good for travel through Dec. 19, allows a regular fare customer to take along a companion for $20 to any Southwest Airlines destination when both tickets are purchased with the American Express Card. Some restrictions apply.

For reservations or information in the Reno/Tahoe area, the phone number is 702/853-1717.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - NYNEX Corporation Thursday announced the election of Raymond F. Burke, executive vice president and general counsel, to fill the role of corporate secretary, in addition to his other responsibilities.

Mr. Burke replaces Grace J. Fippinger, who remains vice president of NYNEX Corporation until her retirement on Dec. 31, 1990.

Burke has held a number of distinguished positions in the Bell System since joining New England Telephone as an attorney in 1966. These include vice president and general counsel posts at AT&T Long Lines, New York Telephone and NYNEX.

Burke, a graduate of Duke University and Harvard Law School, is a member of the Federal Communications Bar, New York State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. He is also a member of the Westchester-Fairfield Corporate Counsel Association, Inc. and a member of the Board of Trustees of Mount Holyoke College.

This past July, NYNEX announced that Miss Fippinger would retire by year-end from her position as vice president, secretary and treasurer.

Miss Fippinger joined New York Telephone in 1948 and was appointed the first woman officer in the Bell System in 1974 when she was elected vice president, secretary and treasurer of New York Telephone. She has been an officer at NYNEX since its inception in 1984, and has been a prominent businesswoman in corporate America for many years.

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SAVANNAH, GA (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Savannah Electric and Power Co. (NYSE:SAVPrA) Thursday declared a quarterly dividend of $.59375 per share on its 9.50 percent preferred stock.

Dividends are payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

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WEYMOUTH, Mass. (NOV 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Sheri Poe, president of RYKA Inc., Thursday announced third quarter results for the period ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Third quarter sales were $711,244 compared to $1,260,023 for the third quarter of 1989. Loss for the quarter was $861,936, or (5 cents per share) compared to a loss in the third quarter of 1989 of $985,621, or (8 cents per share). Sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $3,933,657 compared to sales of $4,204,360 for the first nine months of 1989.

Loss for the nine months of 1990 was $2,047,679, or (14 cents per share) compared to a loss of $2,565,837, or (23 cents per share) for the first nine months of 1989.

''We are obviously disappointed with our third quarter results, but continue to remain optimistic based on future bookings of product, especially our new Nitrogen Ultra-Lite aerobic shoes,'' Poe said.

Poe announced that the company's backlog of orders for its footwear was approximately $1.6 million at Nov. 15, 1990, all of which the company expects to ship by the end of the first quarter of 1991. Almost 90 percent of the backlog represents orders placed for the company's two new Nitrogen Ultra-Lite models -- the 770 mid-cut and the 750 low-cut.

''One of the difficulties we faced by introducing the Ultra-Lites in July was that retailers were so enthusiastic about the line, they opted to wait for their Holiday deliveries of Ultra-Lites rather than order or re-order RYKA products in the third quarter,'' Poe said. ''In addition, back-to-school was weaker than many retailers anticipated, often leaving them with higher inventories and fewer open-to-buy dollars,'' she added.

''We recognize that the recession will have an impact on purchases of athletic

footwear, but we remain confident that our consumer will continue to buy, and that she will be especially excited about the Ultra-Lites,'' Poe said.

RYKA Inc. designs, develops and markets high-performance fashionable athletic footwear for women. The company's principal products are multi-purpose aerobic cross-training shoes and lightweight aerobic shoes.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Dr. Sheldon Horing has been elected president and chief executive officer of CBIS (Cincinnati Bell Information Systems), the information services subsidiary of Cincinnati Bell Inc. (NYSE:CSN), effective Jan. 1, 1991.

The announcement was made Thursday by John T. LaMacchia, president and chief operating officer of Cincinnati Bell.

Horing is currently President of CBIS Federal, the government services division of CBIS. He joined Cincinnati Bell on Jan. 1, 1990, from AT&T Bell Laboratories. Horing received a Ph.D. in electrical engineering from the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, and has completed the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Sloan Senior Management Program.

He replaces Richard A. Licursi who today announced his resignation effective Dec. 31 for personal reasons. Licursi has been president of CBIS since January 1988. He will remain as a consultant to CBIS.

CBIS is a worldwide information services company that develops management systems for telecommunications, government, and financial entities.

Cincinnati Bell Inc. companies supply telecommunications, information management, telemarketing and related marketing services. Product lines include information systems development, data processing and systems consulting, software development, discount long distance telecommunications, market research, electronic database services, telecommunications equipment supply and repair.

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DETROIT (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Nissan Motor Co. Ltd., Tokyo, imports into

Japan during the current fiscal year are expected to reach approximately $763 million, up 45 percent compared with the previous period.

Nissan has put a variety of plans into action aimed at reduction of exports, expansion of overseas production and increase of imports. The plan is a part of Nissan's ''International Cooperation Program'' established in September 1989.

The main import items include catalyzers, alloy wheels, tires and speakers for audio systems. Notable increase was registered in U.S. purchase components such as anti-lock brake systems (ABS) and inflators for air-bags. Import of the V.W. Passat from Germany also contributed to the increase.

Under the ''International Cooperation Program,'' Nissan was originally scheduled to double the import value of fiscal 1989 to $740 million during fiscal 1993. However, through stepped-up efforts to expand imports of parts, materials and finished vehicles, it is certain that the amount of Nissan's imports will exceed this figure in the current fiscal year, two years ahead of schedule. Nissan is aiming to double that figure again by the late 1990s.

In 1990, Nissan sent two large-scale teams for purchasing to U.S. automobile parts companies. In the future, Nissan intends to push forward with joint manufacturing projects with foreign suppliers as a means of further expanding imports to Japan.

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FREEHOLD, NJ (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Calton Inc. (NYSE:CN) announced Thursday that it is continuing discussions with its lending group to revise certain terms of the company's revolving secured credit agreement, including a reduction in the $20 million payment required to be made to the lenders on Nov. 30, 1990 and an extension of the term of the credit agreement beyond its current expiration date of April 30, 1991.

Borrowings of $95 million are currently outstanding under the credit agreement. The company has also initiated discussions with the holder of $17,950,000 aggregate principal amount of its 16-5/8% Senior Subordinated Notes with regard to exchanging certain real property for the notes.

The company stated that the continued deterioration of economic conditions and the resultant reduction in demand for new homes has continued to adversely affect the company's financial performance and has prompted the discussions with these creditors. If the company does not reach agreement with its lending group for the restructuring of its credit agreement and with the

holder of the 16-5/8 Senior Subordinated Notes for the exchange of the notes, the company may not be able to comply with terms of its credit agreement or the indentures which govern its 12-5/8% Subordinated Notes and 16-5/8% Senior Subordinated Notes.

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NATCHEZ, MI (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Callon Consolidated Partners L.P. (NASDAQ/NMS:CCLPZ) reported its results of operations for the three and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the partnership reported a net income of $1,000, or 0 cents per unit of limited partnership interest, compared to a net income of $461,000, or 8 cents per unit, for the third quarter of 1989.

Operating results for the third quarter of 1990 reflect revenues of $2,773,000 compared to revenues of $3,671,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the partnership reported a net income of $148,000, or 2 cents per unit, on revenues of $8,047,000. For the same period of 1989 net income was $1,761,000, or 30 cents per unit, on revenues of $10,806,000.

The reduction in 1990 income and in cash flow provided from operations ($2.9 million in 1990 vs. $5.3 million in 1989) was primarily attributable to declining production rates. The partnership's average daily production rates were 1,068 barrels of oil and 4.04 million cubic feet of gas in the first nine months of 1990, compared to 1,418 barrels of oil and 4.95 million cubic feet of gas in the same period in 1989.

A portion of the lower production rates is attributable to natural declines common to maturing properties. Flood waters were responsible for a temporary shut down of a major oil property for several months during 1990.

During the first nine months of 1990, as opposed to the same period of last year, the average price received per barrel of oil increased to $20.45 from $18.47 and the average price received per thousand cubic feet of gas decreased to $1.69 from $1.81. Oil and gas revenues during the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, included $846,000 resulting from retroactive ownership changes in two major oil properties.

Callon Consolidated Partners L.P. produces oil and natural gas from domestic onshore properties located primarily in the Gulf Coast region. The

partnership's 5.9 million depositary receipts for units of limited partnership interest trade on the NASDAQ National Market System under symbol CCLPZ.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - The Home Insurance Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary of AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC), Thursday reported net losses of $72 million and $130 million, respectively, for the 1990 third quarter and nine months compared with net income of $36 million and $125 million in the same 1989 periods.

The company attributed the decline principally to the sale of its Canadian subsidiary, the Commonwealth Insurance Co., which resulted in a loss under generally accepted accounting principles of $21 million, and to realized losses due to the restructuring of its investment portfolio.

Net realized losses on investments were $69 million and $155 million in the third quarter and nine months of 1990, compared with net realized gains of $9 million and $24 million in the same periods in 1989.

''We have been taking prudent but agressive steps to improve the quality of our investment portfolio during the year by selling off non-investment grade securities and launching a program to upgrade the credit quality and shorten the average maturity of the portfolio,'' said James J. Meenaghan, chairman, president and CEO of The Home.

Excluding realized gains and losses on investments, insurance operating income before income taxes in the 1990 third quarter and nine months was $30 million and $72 million, respectively, compared with $33 million and $117 million in the same periods a year ago.

The consolidated statutory combined ratios were 111.6 and 110.1 for the third quarter and nine months of 1990, respectively, compared with 111.8 and 109.6 for the same periods in 1989. For the Home Companies, which comprise the Home and certain of its subsidiaries participating in a reinsurance pooling agreement, the statutory combined ratio remained about flat at 111.1 and 109.7 for the third quarter and nine months of 1990, respectively, compared with 111.4 and 109.6 for the same periods in 1989.

''In spite of very difficult conditions in the property-casualty insurance market, our basic underwriting operation performed admirably,'' said Meenaghan. ''The overall market continues to suffer from overcapacity and inadequate pricing. However, the key strategies we have put in place at The Home over the past few years have enabled us to perform better than the

industry as a whole - and

I believe that trend will continue.''

Insurance revenues were $521 million in the 1990 third quarter compared with $619 million in the 1989 third quarter. For the nine months the figures were $1,609 million and $1,838 million in the respective periods. Decreased revenues were attributable to realized losses on insurance investments in the third quarter and nine-month periods as well as somewhat lower earned premiums and insurance net investment income. Insurance revenues included gains on the sale of

investments in both periods last year.

The underwriting loss in the third quarter was $53 million in 1990 compared with $59 million in 1989. For the nine months, the underwriting loss was $175 million compared with $155 million in 1989. Insurance net investment income decreased to $83 million and $247 million in the 1990 third quarter and nine months, respectively, from $92 million and $272 million in the same periods last year.

At Sept. 30, 1990 consolidated statutory surplus was $778 million and the statutory premium-to-surplus ratio was 2.5-to-1.

On Nov. 14, 1990, The Home completed the sale of The Commonwealth Insurance Co. for $49 million, which approximated its statutory carrying value.

The Home reported other expenses of $8 million and $18 million in the 1990 third quarter and nine months principally attributable to the settlement of a claims administration dispute involving a former subsidiary and expenses relating to the proposed sale of The Home by AmBase.

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NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (NYSE:FTX) announced that it has been informed Thursday by the Delaware Secretary of State that the merger of its affiliate, Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas Co. (NYSE:FMP), into a wholly owned subsidiary of FTX has been consummated effective Nov. 14, 1990.

FTX is a leader in the exploration, mining, development, production, processing, and marketing of natural resources. The company's assets include sulphur, phosphate rock, phosphate fertilizer products, oil and natural gas,

copper, gold and other natural resources.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Orient-Express Hotels Inc., deluxe hotel, tourist train and cruise ship operator, Thursday announced net earnings of $1.6 million (16 cents per common share) on revenue of $19.4 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 net income was $17 million ($1.74 per common share) on revenue (excluding proceeds from the sale of a hotel) of $48.7 million. Earnings for the quarter were up 31 percent over the third quarter of 1989, although for the nine months losses from operations were approximately the same as during the previous year period. Revenue for the nine months of 1990 was up 13 percent from the same period of 1989.

The third quarter of 1990 was characterized by substantially improved profits from tourist trains and cruising, offset in part by reduced profits from Italian hotels and The Lodge at Vail. For the nine months Italian hotels were down $1 million in operating profits from the same period in 1989, due in large measure to delays in completion of renovation at the Splendido Hotel in Portofino, Italy. Tourist trains have shown a $1.3 million improvement over the first nine months of 1989. There have been meaningful improvements in earnings at Harry's Bar in London and from Lake Windermere cruising. The Lodge at Vail experienced a mediocre summer season this year.

James B. Sherwood, chairman, said that overall 1990 would be an excellent year for the company due to profits on the sale of assets. He said in 1991 Italian hotels would not be prejudiced by construction delays and the new annex to the Hotel Cipriani in Venice was now nearly complete and would be opened early in 1991.

Hermann Jenny, president, said that a complete revue of Italian hotels operations was now in progress, which he believes will result in lower costs while retaining the company's traditional standards of quality. He said the company was committed to achieving a profit from operations in 1991. Sherwood pointed out that the company's financial ratios were now greatly improved, with long term debt greatly reduced and shareholders' equity exceeding liabilities less cash. This equity does not take into account any increased value of assets over historic cost less depreciation.

Jenny added that the company is actively developing three tourist train projects and negotiating the management or purchase of ten hotel properties.

He said that renovation works at the Copacabana Palace Hotel in Rio de Janeiro had started and are scheduled for completion in stages over the next 18 months.

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CLEVELAND, OH (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameritrust Corporation announced today that, based on preliminary findings of an extensive review of its loan portfolio and in view of a deteriorating economy, nonperforming assets could increase by an amount significantly higher than has been experienced in recent quarters. Fourth quarter net charge-offs and the provision for loan losses could also increase significantly. As a result, the Corporation said that it expects to report a loss for the fourth quarter of 1990. Actual results, however, will depend upon a number of factors which cannot be predicted with certainty.

The concerns are principally in the real estate portfolio, the company said. Commercial real estate projects in the Midwest, while performing better on an overall basis than in more distressed areas of the country, are being adversely affected by general economic conditions in the nation.

It also noted that the fourth quarter common stock dividend will be considered at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors on November 21.

''While the final decision on the common stock dividend rests with the Board as a whole, I intend to recommend that we pay a reduced dividend,'' said Craig R. Smith, chairman and chief executive of Ameritrust. ''I believe this to be most prudent in light of our expectations for near-term results and the economy as a whole.

''We are committed to doing what is needed to strengthen Ameritrust,'' Smith continued. ''That is what our customers, employees and stockholders expect and deserve and that is what they will get.

''All of our core businesses are out aggressively marketing to our customers. Even in the midst of the challenges we are facing, I am encouraged that our people are meeting our customers' needs and giving them the high level of service they expect from Ameritrust.''

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PICKERINGTON, OH (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Physicians Insurance Company of Ohio (PICO) Thursday reported consolidated net income for the first nine months of 1990 of $348,600 or 11 cents per share, down from $1.7 million or 55 cents per share for the comparable period a year ago.

The company reported a consolidated net loss of $238,700 or 8 cents per share for the third quarter, compared with net income of $670,300 or 21 cents per share for the like period last year.

Year-to-date and third quarter earnings are down, primarily due to higher estimated reinsurance costs resulting from increased coverage in 1990 compared with 1989. Earnings also have been impacted by increased claims costs for the year.

PICO's earnings for the second quarter of 1990 have been restated from income of $689,600 or 22 cents per share to a net loss of $54,500 or 2 cents per share. The restatement was necessary to correct an error in the calculation of deferred policy acquisition costs at June 30, 1990.

Acquisition costs are those expenses that are directly related to the generation of premiums and include commission, underwriting and marketing expenses. Generally accepted accounting principles permit acquisition costs to be deferred when they are expended and recognized in the same manner as premiums are earned.

PICO and its subsidiaries reported total net premiums written of $17.4 million and $36.8 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990, respectively, compared to $20.9 million and $38.8 million for the like periods a year ago.

These premiums reflect increases in direct medical malpractice premiums which have been offset by planned decreases in commercial writings.

According to Robert L. Dion, president and chief executive officer, the company continues to operate in a highly competitive environment. PICO is focusing its efforts upon group medical practices and other profitable segments of the marketplace. Dion also said that PICO is making full use of the marketing edge the company has developed through its full range of insurance products and services.

Investment income, net of expenses, increased slightly in the first nine months of the year to $12.1 million from $11.8 million during the comparable period a year ago. Net investment income for the third quarter was nearly level with the like period in 1989.

The company continued to show a decrease in its operating expenses for the quarter and for the first nine months of the year.

Reserves for unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses -- primarily on medical malpractice claims -- were $132.7 million at the close of the third quarter. At the close of 1989, claims reserves were $135.5 million.

Shareholders' equity at Sept. 30 was $28 million or $9.08 per share, compared with $26.1 million or $8.49 per share at the end of 1989. PICO's total consolidated assets at Sept. 30 were $233 million, compared with $226.6 million at the close of 1989.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Jackpot Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:J) Thursday reported results for the first quarter ended September 30, 1990.

For the three months of fiscal 1991, the company reported revenues of $12,400,000, a 40 percent increase over the $8,900,000 for the comparable period last year. Net income for the quarter was $640,000, or $0.13 per share compared with $490,000, or $0.09 per share, for the first three months of fiscal 1990.

As of September 30, 1990, Jackpot owned and operated 2,581 gaming machines in its consolidated operations compared with 1,970 gaming machines as of September 30, 1989.

Jackpot Enterprises, Inc. owns and operates coin-operated gaming machines in Las Vegas, Reno and other Nevada locations. In addition, the Company operates stand-alone casinos in Reno and Battle Mountain, Nevada and joint ventures in Deadwood, South Dakota gambling halls.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Lodgistix Inc.(TICKER: LDGX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,060,384	$5,320,006
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$91,808
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,034,735)	$252,567
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.17)	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,130,224	6,065,078

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,130,503	$12,503,404
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,703,592	$3,729,157

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Morgro Chemical Co.(TICKER: MRGR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,949,795	$2,304,653
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(62,680)	$(30,765)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(140,000)	$(79,244)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,451,997	1,436,765

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,735,558	$3,196,700
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$739,363	$980,323

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Omnicorp Ltd.(TICKER: OMNI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,689,731	$1,653,134
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$63,226	$(103,072)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,700,042	3,700,042

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,165,028	$2,807,382
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$988,446	$713,753

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cincinnati Financial Corp.(TICKER: CINF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$264,110,304	$247,984,281
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$27,710,016	$18,591,405
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.68	$1.14
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	16,511,016	16,410,199

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$2,424,702,776	$2,551,961,563
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$912,324,256	$1,020,252,837

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by IEH Corp.(TICKER: IEHC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 28,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,784,941	$1,979,584
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(249,569)	$(202,645)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$(0.09)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,304,000	2,304,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 28, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,246,886	$6,152,763
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,813,581	$2,010,014

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Hallador Petroleum Co.(TICKER: HPET).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,767,000	$518,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(236,000)	$355,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	42,568,000	27,311,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,460,000	$15,962,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,947,000	$8,087,000

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Savings Bank F.S.B.(TICKER: FSBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$195,926	$(380,513)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.28	$(0.56)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	695,698	678,014

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$177,549,002	$201,597,225
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,821,825	$8,056,414

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Guaranty Bancshares Corp.(TICKER: GBNC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$91,000	$(403,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$(0.26)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$115,805,000	$120,503,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,551,000	$11,703,000

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Coasts Corp.(TICKER: UCOA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,382,055	$5,903,187
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,005,920	$1,879,925
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.19	$0.17
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,762,637	10,950,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$74,397,810	$67,225,669
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$43,225,842	$38,973,163

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - TM Communications Inc. (TMCI) underwent a name change to TM Century Inc. (TMCI) effective Nov. 14.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Micrografx Inc.(TICKER: MGXI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$6,511,747	$4,344,395
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,016,892	$255,248
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.21	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,821,015	3,863,208

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$23,228,505	$10,215,433
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,968,542	$3,453,877

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Senetek PLC.(TICKER: SNTK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(696,000)	$(753,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	14,316,000	12,064,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$854,000	$1,420,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$396,000	$1,091,000

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by A.P. Green Industries Inc.(TICKER: APGI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$43,705,000	$47,280,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$812,000	$2,470,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.30	$0.93
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,694,002	2,667,606

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$169,042,000	$167,040,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$107,785,000	$111,121,000

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#90319c0017 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 6-K report filed at the NASD by Anglo Swiss Mining Corp.(TICKER: ASMC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended May 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$600,860	$2,888,929
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,419,340	$(4,872,789)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$(0.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	39,642,759	32,973,573

BALANCE SHEET

	May 31, 1990	May 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,139,821	$10,349,484
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,971,473	$2,083,187

All figures are reported in Canadian dollars.

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise.

Its corporate address is Suite 510-850 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 1E1, Canada.

Its telephone number is (604) 685-4368.

-30- 1340

#90319c0018 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cortex Pharmaceuticals Inc.(TICKER: CORX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(543,071)	$(425,198)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	13,058,103	12,747,853

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,895,322	$3,401,864
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,545,243	$2,031,793

-30- 1078

#90319c0019 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Century Medicorp.(TICKER: CEMC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$24,624,749	$11,645,912
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$717,851	$316,445
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.14	$0.08
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,120,616	4,088,472

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$39,546,619	$39,168,476
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,170,380	$6,459,621

-30- 1065

#90319c0020 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Republic Bancorp.(TICKER: ARBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(59,000)	$548,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.35

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$208,605,000	$183,626,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,279,000	$14,309,000

-30- 806

#90319c0021 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by McFarland Energy Inc.(TICKER: MCFE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$4,990,000	$3,752,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$599,000	$377,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.11	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,199,359	5,196,859

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$44,081,000	$41,042,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$30,591,000	$29,201,000

-30- 1086

#90319c0023 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Regency Equities Corp.(TICKER: RGEQ).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$359,694	$313,512
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$62,931	$41,980
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$184,044	$132,526
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	87,283,661	87,283,661

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$16,886,025	$16,201,026
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,689,801	$16,063,909

-30- 1086

#90319c0025 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by F.A. Computer Technologies Inc.(TICKER: FACO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$40,085,000	$41,234,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$133,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$189,000	$280,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.01

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$52,638,000	$49,397,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,309,000	$15,120,000

-30- 1015

#90319c0026 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Dataimage Inc.(TICKER: DATA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,118,922	$585,965
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(4,652)	$13,171
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,753,165	1,532,508

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,836,431	$4,231,846
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,912,194	$3,090,558

-30- 1066

#90319c0027 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:32 that trade in Regional Federal Bancorp.(NASDAQ: RFBI) has been halted pending news. The last

bid was 13 1/2. The company is located in New Albany, Indiana.

-30- 360
#90319c0028 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:45 that trade in Firstcorp Inc. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol FCR.

-30- 331
#90319c0029 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:46 that trade in Baruch-Foster Corp. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol BFO.

-30- 340
#90319c0030 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:47 that trade in Monarch Capital Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol MON.

-30- 320
#90319c0032 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:55 that trade in Borden Inc. has been halted pending the dissemination of news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol BN.

-30- 320
#90319c0033 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Borden Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol BN. Trading was resumed at 10:02.

-30- 334
#90319c0034 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:29 that trade in Plenum Publishing Corp.(NASDAQ: PLEN) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 21 1/2. The company is located in New York, New York.

-30- 358
#90319c0035 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in

Firstcorp Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol FCR. Trading was resumed at 11:39.

-30- 341

#90319c0036 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Baruch-Foster Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol BFO. Trading was resumed at 10:35.

-30- 351

#90319c0037 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:59 that trade in Plenum Publishing Corp.(NASDAQ: PLEN) has been resumed. The first sale was 21; down 1/2 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 356

#90319c0038 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by The Sporting Life Inc.(TICKER: SPLF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,188,215	$12,840,971
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$117,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(496,774)	$317,564
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.51)	$0.32
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	980,261	1,004,749

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,272,916	$4,838,818
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,206,260	$2,724,899

-30- 1057

#90319c0040 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Acmat Corp.(TICKER: ACMT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,482,334	$14,078,117
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$806,878	$1,148,075
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.17	$0.24
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,721,077	4,697,868

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$127,725,640	$117,828,225
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$29,913,830	$28,349,043

-30- 1083

#90319c0041 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Scherer Healthcare Inc.(TICKER: SCHR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,022,000	$3,825,200
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$2,378,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$12,298,000	$367,800
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$14,581,700	$(581,600)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$3.74	$(0.15)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,892,370	3,892,370

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$44,016,668	$24,471,177
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$24,121,067	$10,059,151

-30- 1078
#90319c0042 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Chalone Inc.(TICKER: CHLN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,561,000	$3,290,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$136,000	$121,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,565,000	3,280,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$46,940,000	$40,322,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,017,000	$13,289,000

-30- 1085
#90319c0043 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bristol Research Corp.(TICKER: BRCC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$123,356	$805,216
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(506,592)	$(471,070)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.14)	$(0.13)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,600,326	3,715,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$3,204,348	$1,040,572
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$1,198,626	$(282,804)

-30- 1080

#90319c0044 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by New Paraho Corp.(TICKER: NPCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$89,055	$101,336
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(150,380)	$(209,531)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	50,772,982	50,980,400

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,989,389	$5,949,440
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,260,962	$2,411,342

-30- 1069

#90319c0045 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Chesapeake Industries Inc.(TICKER: CHES).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$13,010,792	$13,113,815
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$11,700	$50,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$59,927	$225,779
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,031,291	3,058,105

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$27,523,489	$27,262,536
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,576,711	$7,540,043

-30- 1091

#90319c0046 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Market Facts Inc.(TICKER: MFAC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,614,635	$9,457,592
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$215,024	$241,328
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	$0.14
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,748,695	1,784,380

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$32,569,204	$22,600,447
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,477,240	$7,249,674

-30- 1093

#90319c0048 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Equitable Bankshares of Colorado Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$226,000	$71,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$2.16	$0.68

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$93,897,000	$80,289,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,175,000	$5,576,000

-30- 813

#90319c0049 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pan Atlantic Inc.(TICKER: PATL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,895,591	$9,160,598
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(967,713)	$(3,016,924)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.43)	$(0.92)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$172,333,788	$181,642,874
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$26,419,106	$30,336,523

-30- 1011

#90319c0050 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ceco Filters Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$674,067	$725,772
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$15,387	$39,581

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.01

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,223,465	$2,153,311
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,024,659	$961,038

-30- 967

#90319c0051 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Corken International Corp.(TICKER: CORK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,867,000	$3,198,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$159,000	$331,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$0.11

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,567,000	$8,012,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,366,000	$5,207,000

-30- 1014

#90319c0052 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Abraham Lincoln Federal Savings Bank, (TICKER: ALFB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(6,501,000)	$(2,030,000)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(10.93)	$(3.41)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$195,750,000	$228,012,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,616,000	$9,868,000

-30- 844

#90319c0053 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The S&M Company.(TICKER: SAME).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,765,000	$5,045,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$49,000	$48,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,460,143	1,475,339

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,061,000	$9,690,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,541,000	$2,518,000

-30- 1065

#90319c0054 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United New Mexico Financial Corp.(TICKER: BNKS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,698,000	$1,683,000

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.40	$0.40
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,294,000	4,249,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,094,741,000	$1,038,598,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$68,968,000	$63,754,000

-30- 897

#90319c0056 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Vista Organization Ltd.(TICKER: VISA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$556,871	$404,176
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(746,325)	$(544,719)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	33,623,497	20,344,544

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$31,561,294	$7,071,353
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,416,290	$5,873,705

-30- 1083

#90319c0057 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pacific Inland Bancorp.(TICKER: PIBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(14,939)	$(19,700)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$35,274	$46,380
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.04

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$100,777,120	$91,568,209
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,992,638	$8,828,309

-30- 881

#90319c0058 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Intermark Gaming International Inc.(TICKER: IGII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,030,931	$647,167
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(191,510)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$168,574	$(458,959)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.05)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,596,160	9,594,587

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,964,675	$4,787,405
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$1,521,481	$(500,830)

-30- 1119

#90319c0059 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by RHNB Corp.(TICKER: RHNB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$690,939	$671,461
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.30	$0.29
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,311,238	2,291,010

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$338,877,404	$331,535,366
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$19,433,830	$18,413,954

-30- 860

#90319c0060 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Republic Savings Financial Corp.(TICKER: RSFC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$60,000	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$178,000	$(475,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.15	$(0.38)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,229,215	1,235,545

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$125,603,000	$126,484,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,584,000	$5,282,000

-30- 973

#90319c0061 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Hector Communications Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$938,295	$866,999
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$162,787	$210,703
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	N/A
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,254,000	N/A

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,789,335	$10,608,798
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,341,268	$4,734,921

Hector Communications Corp. consists of various companies which previously comprised substantially all of the assets of the independent telephone segment of Communication Systems Inc.

Hector's executive office is located at 211 South Main, Hector, Minnesota 55342 and its telephone number is (612) 848-6611.

-30- 1389

#90319c0062 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Corrections Corporation of America(TICKER: CCAX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,904,163	$9,854,224
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$708,521	$556,722
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$0.06
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,394,682	9,421,288

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$84,263,380	$67,576,613
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$26,424,915	$25,558,072

-30- 1101
#90319c0064 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Reuter Inc.(TICKER: REUT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,495,895	$5,090,758
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(33,559)	$(119,943)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,228,814)	$(786,437)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.49)	$(0.32)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,513,494	2,485,408

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$53,267,395	$40,962,351
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,091,610	$14,905,714

-30- 1086
#90319c0065 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Central Realty Investors Inc.(TICKER: CMRT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$29,113	$40,818
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(89,993)	$(41,935)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,118,248	3,116,501

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,256,709	$1,478,960
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$580,132	$793,046

-30- 1080

#90319c0066 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Fidelity Federal Savings Bank.(TICKER: FFRV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$180,212	$2,553,813
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.20	$2.85

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$171,324,043	$159,774,388
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,867,001	$11,433,463

-30- 827

#90319c0067 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Grove Bank for Savings.(TICKER: GROV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$147,000	$360,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$0.24

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$209,812,000	$211,553,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$26,092,000	$25,948,000

-30- 805
#90319c0068 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by KV Pharmaceutical Co.(TICKER: KVPH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,251,668	$8,014,885
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(87,683)	$96,412
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$(0.05)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$38,323,687	$37,357,300
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$20,520,736	$21,423,959

-30- 1010
#90319c0069 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Corporate Investment Co.(TICKER: CICO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,186,856	$2,596,321
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,027,316)	$(654,986)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.65)	$(0.22)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,119,356	3,016,273

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$144,054,675	$120,430,413
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(369,912)	$2,700,870

-30- 1089

#90319c0070 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Monarch Capital Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol MON. Trading was resumed at 12:00.

-30- 355

#90319c0072 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Inter-Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: FIBI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$812,000	$596,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.35	$0.26
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,312,547	2,312,547

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$465,805,000	$454,417,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$38,138,000	$34,235,000

-30- 860

#90319c0073 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Firstier Financial Inc.(TICKER: FRST).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$196,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(17,561,000)	$5,262,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(3.02)	$0.90

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,995,535,000	$2,787,972,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$199,891,000	$207,200,000

-30- 885

#90319c0074 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Handex Environmental Recovery Inc.(TICKER: HAND).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$13,760,016	$9,996,811
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,620,467	$1,334,519
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.30	$0.26
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,458,191	5,160,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$40,962,806	$29,963,496
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$32,616,917	$22,727,346

-30- 1111

#90319c0075 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 31, 1990, River Forest Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: RFBC) and Madison Financial Corp. merged.

Madison thereby became a wholly-owned subisidiary of River Forest.

River Forest purchased 100% of the stock of Madison for approximately $13.3 million in cash.

This included Madison Financial's wholly-owned subsidiaries, Madison Bank and Trust of Chicago, Madison National Bank of Niles and the First National Bank (TICKER: MTCL) of Wheeling.

The total purchase price represents a $7.01 per share on 1.47 million common shares outstanding, and an aggregate payment of approximately $3.0 million to preferred shareholders.

The price also included the assumption of approximately $1.1 million in debt, paid as of the closing date of the transaction.

-30- 989

#90319c0076 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Westbank Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$76,000	$(489,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.17)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,966,277	2,876,368

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$301,100,000	$318,124,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$19,572,000	$22,292,000

-30- 859

#90319c0077 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Counties Bancorporation.(TICKER: UCTC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,956,000	$4,252,000

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.77	$1.87

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,285,603,000	$1,194,876,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$119,500,000	$113,699,000

-30- 842

#90319c0078 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Carolina Investors Inc.(TICKER: FCAR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,632,544	$1,901,545
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$426,723	$678,724
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.68	$0.97

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$31,824,203	$34,875,416
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$21,381,806	$23,175,673

-30- 1030

#90319c0080 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by General Builders Corp.(TICKER: GBDC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$840,672	$252,870
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(153,190)	$(117,814)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$(0.10)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,222,371	1,232,503

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,195,076	$8,424,524
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,144,682	$6,433,553

-30- 1076

#90319c0081 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Colonial Gas Co.(TICKER: CGES).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,329,000	$13,266,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,598,000)	$(3,492,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.73)	$(0.84)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,919,000	4,145,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$217,540,000	$233,727,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$77,944,000	$66,568,000

-30- 1077

#90319c0082 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 29, 1990, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the northern district of Ohio, eastern division, confirmed a plan of reorganization for SIS CORP. (TICKER: SISB).

The plan is a joint plan of SIS and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Sisters International Inc. (the debtors).

It is a plan of liquidation whereby the debtors will continue to operate in business while attempting to sell or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of their assets.

-30- 666

#90319c0083 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 7 1990, Apache Investments Inc. entered an agreement to acquire all of the issued and outstanding common shares of TravelPro Technologies Inc. for 245.17 million common shares of Apache common stock.

The agreement, a reverse merger transaction in which control of Apache will pass to TravelPro shareholders, is subject to investigations by both parties and approval of the boards of directors of both companies, as well as exchange of all TravelPro shares for Apache shares by TravelPro shareholders.

-30- 747

#90319c0084 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by MNX Inc.(TICKER: MNXI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$52,076,500	$38,821,856
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$440,700	$44,945
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.09	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,720,425	4,720,425

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 29, 1990	Dec. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$81,603,857	$91,386,941
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$30,633,078	$30,787,514

-30- 1055

#90319c0085 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Auto Depot Inc.(TICKER: AUTD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(613,000)	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,106,000	3,300,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,917,000	$(30,000)
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,719,000	$(30,000)

The company states it is in the development stage and has not yet commenced operations or generated any operating revenue.

Its corporate address is 1210 Northbrook Drive, Suite 370, Trevose, Pennsylvania 19047, and its telephone number is (215) 364-6260.

-30- 1321
#90319c0086 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Quality Systems Inc.(TICKER: QSII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,344,200	$2,237,700
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(17,400)	$20,700
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(37,900)	$(49,500)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,184,116	4,184,116

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,064,900	$9,042,100
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,540,000	$6,445,000

-30- 1086

#90319c0088 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mountaintop Corp.(TICKER: VODK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$104,984	$94,965
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(292,646)	$(108,618)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.06)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,726,435	$542,140
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,528,075	$(239,646)

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise, and that sales to date have been limited by a severe lack of working capital.

Its executive address is 40 Richards Avenue, Norwalk, CT 06854, and its telephone number is (203) 855-3090.

-30- 1270

#90319c0090 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Heritage Corp.(TICKER: UHCP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,071,685	$2,468,244
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(246,502)	$(88,221)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,224,589	11,082,680

-30- 856

#90319c0091 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Macland Inc.(TICKER: MACL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,213,176	$1,678,317
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$25,067	$57,892
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,208,609	$6,601,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,416,450	$1,552,382
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,247,807	$482,004

-30- 1067

#90319c0092 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Software Toolworks Inc.(TICKER: TWRX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$9,285,000	$16,315,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(2,254,000)	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(8,489,000)	$1,795,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.38)	$0.11
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	22,318,698	16,383,456

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$89,221,000	$48,263,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$74,397,000	$32,233,000

-30- 1108

#90319c0093 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Transtector Systems Inc.(TICKER: TTOR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,332,210	$2,266,035
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$19,840	$5,261
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,382,566	3,391,561

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,807,465	$7,549,983
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,822,128	$1,678,225

-30- 1070

#90319c0094 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Quadrax Corp.(TICKER: QDRX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Three Months Ended Oct. 1, 1989
REVENUES	$274,231	$167,812
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,855,117)	$(947,842)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.20)	$(0.11)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,183,498	8,254,795

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,707,827	$7,655,049
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,870,341	$6,960,711

-30- 1105
#90319c0095 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Royal Gold Inc.(TICKER: RGLD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$15,724	$1,347,590
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(423,499)	$(1,059,436)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,789,250	8,611,718

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,651,946	$11,427,196
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,910,960	$10,334,461

-30- 1078
#90319c0097 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY HILTON DAVIS CO. OF CINCINNATI, OHIO OWNS 248,600 SHARES (12.68%) OF EAC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: EAC) OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 22, 1990, EAC Industries Inc. agreed to sell 248,000 shares to Peter B. Fritzsche for $1.50 per share. The closing for the purchase is set for no later than Nov. 21, 1990. As part of the agreement, on July 15, 1991, Fritzsche must either give sellers an option to repurchase the shares at $1.88 per share at any time prior to Aug. 1, 1991 or pay sellers an amount equal to the excess of the then fair market value for the shares above $1.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90319c0098 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STANDARD CHARTERED BANK OWNS 1,423,488 SHARES (6.20%) OF MAXTOR CORP. (TICKER: MXTR) OF SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an agreement dated Nov. 6, 1990, Maxtor Corp. agreed to keep the registration statement concerning the shares held by Standard Chartered Bank effective for 180 days. Also pursuant to the agreement, Standard Chartered Bank received, in lieu of $20 million worth of Maxtor Corp.'s common stock, (1) a subordinated note for $20 million less the current value of the stock already held by SCB and (2) a warrant to purchase a number of shares equal to the amount of the note divided by the lesser of $14.05 per share or 2.4 times the trading price of the stock. On Nov. 13, 1990, the warrant was exercisable for an additional 1,116,282 shares, giving Standard Chartered Bank a total of 11 percent of Maxtor Corp..

-30- 1070
#90319c0099 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY M.L. LAWRENCE OWNS 113,245 SHARES (11.90%) OF YG DEVELOPMENT CO. OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The shares held by M.L. Lawrence were distributed by Yuba Westgold Inc. upon the spin-off of some of its operations into YG Development.

-30- 465
#90319c0100 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 614,300 SHARES (6.50%) OF MOLECULAR BIOSYSTEMS INC (TICKER: MB).

PURPOSE:

To show an increase in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 452
#90319c0101 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY TWEEDY BROWN CO. LP OWNS 154,050 SHARES (4.93%) OF BSB BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: BSBN) OF BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Tweedy Brown Co. LP are no longer subject to the reporting requirements of section 13d3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as a result of the disposition of their respective shares in open market transactions.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 12 through Nov. 6, 1990, Tweedy Brown Co. LP sold 3,985 shares at a price of $14.50 to $15.58 per share.

-30- 716

#90319c0102 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 389,400 SHARES (42.33%) OF THE LVI GROUP INC.(TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 6 through Nov. 12, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. sold 8,300 shares at a price of $0.19 to $0.31 per share.

-30- 467

#90319c0103 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Great Southern Bancorp.(TICKER: GSBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$781,366	$786,407
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.39	N/A

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$473,653,435	$465,091,721
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$47,882,567	$47,650,180

Great Southern's executive office is located at 1451 E. Battlefield, Springfield, Missouri 65804 and its telephone number is (417) 887-4400.

-30- 967

#90319c0105 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Chips and Technologies Inc.(TICKER: CHPS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$59,543,000	$70,945,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$734,000	$9,113,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$0.58
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	14,646,000	15,715,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$179,174,000	$201,754,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$126,272,000	$136,966,000

-30- 1088

#90319c0106 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Digital Recording Corp.(TICKER: DRSO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$738,175	$137,887
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$179,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$527,299	$(54,546)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,650,422	5,650,422

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$104,650	$407,517
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$(3,236,386)	$(3,581,643)

-30- 1089

#90319c0107 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Pennsylvania Gas and Water Co.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$22,147,000	$20,995,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,244,000)	$(636,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.63)	$(0.57)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,673,891	3,073,077

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$510,534,000	$494,736,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$392,549,000	$363,675,000

-30- 1095
#90319c0108 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Children's Discovery Centers of America Inc. (TICKER: CDCR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,285,000	$4,035,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(218,000)	$4,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$11,937,000	$13,434,000

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,040,000	$6,329,000

-30- 1065

#90319c0109 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Noxso Corp.(TICKER: NOXO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(75,478)	$24,166
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,856,300	3,295,400

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,468,369	$3,493,772
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,396,076	$3,414,608

The company is a development stage firm engaged in developing and testing the Noxso Process, a pollution control technology.

-30- 1188

#90319c0110 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by National Bancshares Corporation of Texas. (TICKER: NBCT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$144,000	$(32,135,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(2.71)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$261,885,000	$1,916,994,000
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$(15,397,000)	$(225,608,000)

-30- 856

#90319c0111 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Longwood Group Ltd.(TICKER: LONG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$541,000	$184,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$299,000	$(24,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,020,000	$2,924,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,884,000	$1,532,000

-30- 977

#90319c0113 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ellwood Federal Savings Bank.(TICKER: ECCB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$505,679	$295,334
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.46	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$210,951,986	$208,539,206
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$34,170,190	$21,875,981

-30- 830

#90319c0114 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sylvan Foods Holdings Inc.(TICKER: SYLN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$19,143,000	$18,749,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$885,000	$1,318,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.17	$0.25
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,984,356	4,667,670

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$43,842,000	$46,569,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,432,000	$4,212,000

-30- 1110

#90319c0115 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Beta Phase Inc.(TICKER: BETA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$179,220	$110,490
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(617,751)	$(909,640)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$(0.34)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,029,794	2,641,576

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,180,099	$1,165,269
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(862,827)	$(2,117,607)

-30- 1038

#90319c0116 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Advanced Environmental Recycling Technologies Inc.(TICKER: AERT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$18,088	$2,987
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(402,273)	$(267,836)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,970,937	7,500,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,341,547	$6,216,862
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,729,972	$5,605,273

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise and as of Sept. 30, 1990, has not generated any significant revenues.

Its executive address is FM 2169, Junction, Texas 76849, and its telephone number is (915) 446-3430.

-30- 1375
#90319c0117 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Continental Savings of America.(TICKER: CSAV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,028,654	$1,387,962
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.38	$0.51

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$619,474,254	$713,883,928
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,538,994	$12,282,606

-30- 845
#90319c0118 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Medi-Mail Inc.(TICKER: MMRX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,483,679	$1,162,617
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,255,796)	$(1,037,203)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.29)	$(0.31)

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,287,437	$1,981,434
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$529,820	$1,666,670

-30- 966
#90319c0119 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ryan, Beck & Co. Inc.(TICKER: RBCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,192,000	$4,193,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(673,000)	$(84,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.16)	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,283,000	4,442,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$28,790,000	$49,779,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$20,795,000	$23,270,000

-30- 1090

#90319c0121 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Shenandoah Federal Savings Bank.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(166,359)	$7,609
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.83)	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	200,050	200,050

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$109,995,956	$116,275,315
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,250,483	$3,489,206

-30- 870

#90319c0122 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Vitafort International Corp.(TICKER: VFRT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$323,578	$262,064
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(501,857)	$(284,063)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$(0.17)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,906,123	$3,224,596
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$991,042	$1,731,535

-30- 993

#90319c0123 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Star Classics Inc.(TICKER: SCLS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,105,685	$1,574,738
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(50,155)	$63,979
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,950,000	5,400,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,083,467	$3,495,509
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,764,986	$2,887,502

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#90319c0124 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:15 that trade in Calton Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol CN.

-30- 301
#90319c0125 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Great Falls Gas Co.(TICKER: GFGC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,403,597	$2,883,384
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(321,707)	$(201,465)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.31)	$(0.20)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,049,963	1,016,983

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,883,828	$19,348,759
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,047,008	$14,353,403

-30- 1080
#90319c0126 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First New York Business Bank Corp.(TICKER: FNYB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,359,000)	$924,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.36)	$0.25

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,746,396	3,765,918

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$733,228,000	$695,917,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$38,183,000	$42,099,000

-30- 887

#90319c0127 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Commercial Bancorporation of Colorado. (TICKER: CBOC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.93)	$0.15
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,245,121)	$227,234
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,676,131	1,526,285

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$269,527,242	$270,912,555
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$21,908,688	$25,061,983

-30- 909

#90319c0129 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Astrosystems Inc.(TICKER: ASTR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,123,000	$1,503,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$31,000	$(25,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,291,000	5,586,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$42,703,000	$42,636,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$32,256,000	$32,275,000

-30- 1081

#90319c0130 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Napa Valley Bancorp.(TICKER: NVBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(16,772)	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,061,504	$926,603
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.34	$0.30
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,178,452	3,122,839

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$522,577,454	$505,974,152
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$32,200,241	$29,901,313

-30- 944

#90319c0131 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) COMTEX - Anangel-American Shipholdings Ltd. (TICKER: ASIP) filed a Form 20-F with the NASD stating it earned $37.68 million, or $2.15 per share, on revenues of $56.88 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $29.78 million, or $3.18 per share, on revenues of $32.59 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 519

#90319c0132 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Busey Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,210,000	$1,209,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.43	$0.49

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$543,180,000	$513,279,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$39,471,000	$38,569,000

-30- 787

#90319c0133 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Security Financial Corp. of Illinois. (TICKER: UNSE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,431,563	$4,105,748
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(606,768)	$273,414
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,732,959	8,732,959

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$21,937,206	$25,037,527
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,852,663	$11,213,350

-30- 1116

#90319c0134 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Tierco Group Inc.(TICKER: TIER).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,867,858	$5,408,898
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,574,397)	$(3,790,969)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.57)	$(1.78)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,276,097	2,126,097

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$65,912,863	$70,102,156
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$(4,453,424)	$2,116,545

-30- 1092

#90319c0135 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sonesta International Hotels Corp.(TICKER: SNST).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,888,000	$13,282,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(809,000)	$(1,047,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.28)	$(0.36)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,921,000	$2,925,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$99,217,000	$95,886,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$25,033,000	$26,222,000

-30- 1102

#90319c0137 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Phoenix American Inc.(TICKER: PHXA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,671,505	$9,344,732
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$134,597	$1,734,654
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.33

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$46,784,539	$47,281,184
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$19,232,242	$19,121,542

-30- 1007

#90319c0138 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Morgro Chemical Co.(TICKER: MRGR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,949,795	$2,304,653
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(140,000)	$(79,244)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,451,997	1,436,765

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,735,558	$3,196,700
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$739,363	$980,323

-30- 1065

#90319c0139 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Peerless Productions Ltd. Inc.(TICKER: PEER).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,924	$3,097
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(144,059)	$(10,011)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.00)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,682,082	$337,244
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,668,863	$212,316

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise and has not generated any revenue from operations.

Its corporate address is 20801 Biscayne Blvd., Suite 409, Aventura, Florida 33180, and its telephone number is (305) 932-9977.

-30- 1258

#90319c0140 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Marshall & Ilsley Corp.(TICKER: MRIS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$18,707,000	$21,746,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.85	$0.98
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	21,900,000	22,350,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,253,745,000	$7,150,841,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$593,046,000	$564,201,000

-30- 894

#90319c0141 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Club-Theatre Network Inc.(TICKER: HDTV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$243,928	$538
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(368,218)	$(107,066)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,598,962	3,162,479

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,533,172	$237,713
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,843,398	$(946,173)

-30- 1070

#90319c0142 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by GC International Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,110,971	$4,131,756
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(138,492)	$(314,533)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,573,499	5,573,499

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,496,560	$5,699,912
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(524,470)	$(385,978)

-30- 1066

#90319c0143 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Constellation Bancorp.(TICKER: CSTL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,393,000)	$7,742,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.30)	$1.01

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,028,657,000	$3,081,341,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$230,509,000	$238,758,000

-30- 817

#90319c0145 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Selfix Inc.(TICKER: SLFX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,302,455	$9,793,835
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(303,490)	$997,452
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$0.28
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,515,115	3,534,368

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$36,818,591	$32,469,737
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,241,645	$18,549,943

-30- 1066
#90319c0146 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

SONOMA OAKS LTD. OWNS 195,244 SHARES (11.64%) OF BALVERNE CELLARS INC. (TICKER: BAM) OF WINDSOR, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Jan. 2, 1990, Messrs. Frank Domingues and David Blackburn entered into an agreement with Hillview Ltd. to purchase its 195,244 shares of the Company's (Balverne's) common stock, a $130,000 account receivable, certain winery equipment and a building which Balverne leased from Hillview for a total purchase price of $585,732, payable by a down payment of $2,500 in the form of a cashiers' check; and a promissory note from Messrs. Domingues and Blackburn for $583,232 to Hillview Ltd., with interest commencing nineteen months after the date of execution of said note on the amount of any unpaid principal at the rate of 8 percent per annum. On Jan. 22, 1990, Domingues and Blackburn transferred the 195,244 shares of Company's common stock, the account receivable, winery equipment and building to Cenvac Inc., as part of Cenvac's original capital, in exchange for Cenvac stock; and formed Sonoma Oaks Ltd. for the purpose of acquiring the assets of American Pacific Holding Corp.; this endeavor failed due to one or more conditions precedent to said purchase. On Jan. 31, 1990, Cenvac assigned its beneficial ownership of the 195,244 shares to Sonoma, as Cenvac's General Partner contribution and received a

general partnership interest in Sonoma. On May 31, 1990, Mr. Blackburn resigned as an officer and director of Cenvac and tendered his common shares in Cenvac to Cenvac as part of a global settlement to relieve his future obligations to Sonoma. On Aug. 9, 1990, Sonoma Oaks Limited and American Pacific Holding Corp. formed Ampac-Sonoma with the intention to acquire the limited partnership interests in Vintners Warehouse Co. Ltd., which owns 450,000 of Company common stock shares. Sonoma and American Pacific intend to pool their shares of the Company for purposes of voting with the intention to nominate and elect an entirely new board of directors for the Company.

PURPOSE:

To gain representation on the Company's board of directors.

-30- 2319
#90319c0147 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

AMPAC-SONOMA OWNS 759,400 SHARES (35.70%) OF BALVERNE CELLARS INC. (TICKER: BAM) OF WINDSOR, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Jan. 2, 1990, Messrs. Frank Domingues and David Blackburn entered into an agreement with Hillview Ltd. to purchase its 195,244 shares of the Company's (Balverne's) common stock, a $130,000 account receivable, certain winery equipment and a building which Balverne leased from Hillview for a total purchase price of $585,732, payable by a down payment of $2,500 in the form of a cashiers' check; and a promissory note from Messrs. Domingues and Blackburn for $583,232 to Hillview Ltd., with interest commencing nineteen months after the date of execution of said note on the amount of any unpaid principal at the rate of 8 percent per annum. On Jan. 22, 1990, Domingues and Blackburn transferred the 195,244 shares of Company's common stock, the account receivable, winery equipment and building to Cenvac Inc., as part of Cenvac's original capital, in exchange for Cenvac stock; and formed Sonoma Oaks Ltd. for the purpose of acquiring the assets of American Pacific Holding Corp.; this endeavor failed due to one or more conditions precedent to said purchase. On Jan. 31, 1990, Cenvac assigned its beneficial ownership of the 195,244 shares to Sonoma, as Cenvac's General Partner contribution and received a general partnership interest in Sonoma. On May 31, 1990, Mr. Blackburn resigned as an officer and director of Cenvac and tendered his common shares in Cenvac to Cenvac as part of a global settlement to relieve his future obligations to Sonoma. On Aug. 9, 1990, Sonoma Oaks Limited and American Pacific Holding Corp. formed Ampac-Sonoma with the intention to acquire the limited partnership interests in Vintners Warehouse Co. Ltd., which owns

450,000 of Company common stock shares. Sonoma and American Pacific intend to pool their shares of the Company for purposes of voting with the intention to nominate and elect an entirely new board of directors for the Company. In the initial letter agreement dated Aug. 9, 1990, between Sonoma Oaks and American Pacific for the formation of Ampac-Sonoma, the parties agreed to the general terms as to how Ampac-sonoma would choose a slate of directors for nomination to the Company's board and how Ampac-sonoma would vote its shares of the Company's stock should there be an offer to purchase all of the assets or stock of the Company.

-30- 2679
#90319c0148 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 24

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Fitchburg Gas & Electric Light Co.(TICKER: FGE) announced on Nov. 13, 1990 that its third-quarter earnings were $420,061, or $.30 a share, as compared with a loss of $.11 cents a share for the same period the year before.

-30- 455
#90319c0149 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

SMG-II Holdings Corp. has commenced a tender offer for up to 1.7 million preferred shares of Supermarkets General Corp.(TICKER: SGL) at $5 per share. Due to the fact the board members of Supermarkets General Corp. are also on the board of the purchaser, the board cannot make a recommendation regarding acceptance of the offer.

-30- 568
#90319c0151 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUVO CORP. OF PO BOX 20302, ENGLEWOOD, COLORADO 80156, HAS FILED TO SELL 112,914 SHARES OF PHOENIX COMPANIES INC. THROUGH WILLIAM BARTON FINL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 6, 1990.

(PHOENIX COMPANIES INC. TEL: 303 320-1146)

-30- 403
#90319c0152 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.M. SESHENS OF 1460 CANDLEBROOK DRIVE, STE 105, DRESHER, PENNSYLVANIA 19025, HAS FILED TO SELL 46,450 SHARES OF ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC.(TICKER: ICGN) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 9, 1990.

(ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 625-0700)

-30- 449
#90319c0154 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH T RODGERS JR OF 276 KAREN CT, LOS GATOS, CA 95305, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,005 SHARES OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(QUANTUM CORP. TEL: 408 432-1100)

-30- 399
#90319c0155 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD O MOORE JR OF 6334 BUFORD HWY, NORCROSS, GA 30071, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,001 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 404 448-7446)

-30- 380
#90319c0156 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHRISTOPHER S DIAMOND OF P O BOX 555, WEST DOVER, VT 05352, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,800 SHARES OF S.K.I LTD. (TICKER: SKII) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(S.K.I LTD. TEL: 802 422-3333)

-30- 396

#90319c0157 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NAGGAR GUY 1982 SETTLEMENT TR OF 4491 S STE RD SEVEN, STE 318, FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33314, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,250 SHARES OF CANCER TREATMENT HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: CTHI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(CANCER TREATMENT HOLDINGS INC. TEL: 305 321-9555)

-30- 504
#90319c0158 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALAN N SIDNAM OF 780 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10019, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF KELLEY OIL CORP. (TICKER: KOIL) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(KELLEY OIL CORP. TEL: 212 838-5831)

-30- 403
#90319c0159 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN I BLOOMBERG OF P O BOX 1915, PARK CITY, UT 84060, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF BALLARD MEDICAL PRODUCT (TICKER: BMED) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(BALLARD MEDICAL PRODUCT TEL: 801 566-4693)

-30- 434
#90319c0160 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CH PARTNERS III OF 777 108TH AVE NE, BELLEVUE, WA 98004, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,000 SHARES OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(ALTERA CORP. TEL: 408 984-2800)

-30- 401
#90319c0162 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIETH E SORENSON OF 22261 KENDLE ST, CUPERTINO, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 05, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 396
#90319c0163 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KEN J MCEWAN OF 956 NORIN CT, CAMPBELL, CA 95008, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 383
#90319c0164 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT S WALLIN OF 934 EAST BECKER LANE, PHOENIX, AZ 85020, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,500 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 410
#90319c0165 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERRY L FERGUSON OF R.R. #7, P O BOX 389, 0, WARSAW, IN 46580, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET) THROUGH RAFFENSPERGER HUGHES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(BIOMET INC. TEL: 219 267-6639)

-30- 402
#90319c0166 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD R ANDRES OF 235 ROAN DR, DANVILLE, CA 94526, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 453-7300)

-30- 408
#90319c0167 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELEANORE PACEY OF 1201 HAWKINS WAY, PEBBLE BCH, CA 93953, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 275-1444)

-30- 408
#90319c0168 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALFRED G MERRIWEATHER OF 3052 ORCHARD DR, SAN JOSE, CA 95134, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(LASERSCOPE TEL: 408 943-0636)

-30- 405
#90319c0170 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHANCELLOR CAPITAL MGMT INC OF 153 EAST 53RD ST, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,487 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 472
#90319c0171 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ASSOCIATED VENTURES INVESTORS OF 3000 SAND HILL BLVD, BLDG #3, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,199 SHARES OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(DYNATECH CORP. TEL: 617 272-6100)

-30- 439
#90319c0172 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTHERN TR CO & SMITH CO-TTEES OF 50 S LA SALLE ST, CHICAGO, IL 60675, HAS FILED TO SELL 120,976 SHARES OF NORTHERN TRUST CORP. (TICKER: NTRS) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(NORTHERN TRUST CORP. TEL: 312 630-6000)

-30- 454
#90319c0173 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTHERN TR CO & SMITH CO-TTEES OF 3600 WEST LAKE AVE, GLENVIEW, IL 60025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,282 SHARES OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. TEL: 708 657-4005)

-30- 470
#90319c0174 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTHERN TR CO 1/31/88 CO-TTEES OF 3600 WEST LAKE AVE, GLENVIEW, IL 60025, HAS FILED TO SELL 64,000 SHARES OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. TEL: 708 657-4005)

-30- 470
#90319c0175 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SIGMA PARTNERS LP-CAL OF 2884 SAND HILL RD, SUITE 121, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX) THROUGH ADAMS HARKNESS & HILL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(BYTEX CORP. TEL: 508 480-0840)

-30- 424
#90319c0176 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - JON A SHIRLEY OF P O BOX 685, 0, MEDINA, WA 98039, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT) THROUGH RAGEN MACKENZIE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(MICROSOFT CORP. TEL: 206 882-8080)

-30- 402
#90319c0178 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SOLOMON RUDMAN OF 106 HILLTOP COURT, CHERRY HILL, NJ 08003, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI) THROUGH BUTCHER & SINGER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 647-8277)

-30- 454
#90319c0179 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFF FISHMAN OF 2122 HUBBARD ST, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84108, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. TEL: 801 532-7526)

-30- 419
#90319c0180 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHLEGER & HARRISON RPT BROBECK OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 434
#90319c0181 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD M LEONARD OF C/O BROBECK, PHLEGER & HARRISON, 2 EMBARCADERO PL, 22 PALO ALTO, CA 94303, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC.

(TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 452
#90319c0182 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NANSHING COLOR & CHEMICAL CO OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,305 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 442
#90319c0183 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHILTON TRUST 1986 OF 83 ROGERS ST, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF ORGANOGENESIS INC. (TICKER: ORG) THROUGH BROWN BROTHERS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(ORGANOGENESIS INC. TEL: 617 577-1717)

-30- 416
#90319c0184 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARY M SHIRLEY OF P O BOX 685, 0, MEDINA, WA 98039, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,000 SHARES OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT) THROUGH RAGEN MACKENZIE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(MICROSOFT CORP. TEL: 206 882-8080)

-30- 401
#90319c0186 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Germania Bank, A Federal Savings Bank. (TICKER: TFSB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,147,000)	$(10,250,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.09)	$(5.20)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$627,116,000	$802,231,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(38,620,000)	$(4,763,000)

-30- 841

#90319c0187 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Centercore Inc.(TICKER: CCOR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,444,600	$9,576,100
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$91,300	$214,200
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,801,000	10,812,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$24,052,200	$25,115,800
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,427,000	$11,591,000

-30- 1067

#90319c0188 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, R.W. MILLER, DIR. OF MINI-COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MICO) BOUGHT 180,200 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 310,426.

-30- 329
#90319c0189 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, R.F. BERN, VP OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90319c0190 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, R.F. BERN, VP OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90319c0191 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, R.F. BERN, VP OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,500.

-30- 323
#90319c0192 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, J.A. COLE, DIR. OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90319c0194 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, J.A. COLE, DIR. OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,500.

-30- 327
#90319c0195 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, S.W. COLE, PRES. OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC.

(TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90319c0196 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, S.W. COLE, PRES. OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90319c0197 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, S.W. COLE, PRES. OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,500.

-30- 329
#90319c0198 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90319c0199 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90319c0200 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 4, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 328

#90319c0202 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 11, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $21.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90319c0203 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90319c0204 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 15, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90319c0205 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90319c0261 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JOHN J KELLEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF AFFILIATED BANC CORP. (TICKER: ABCV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 338
#90319c0262 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, RICHARD H MOREHEAD, VP OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES (TICKER: ABT), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $42.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,321.

-30- 314
#90319c0263 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, RICHARD L DREES, DIR. OF ACC CORP. (TICKER: ACCC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,615.

-30- 292
#90319c0265 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, GEORGE R JENSEN JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90319c0266 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, GEORGE R JENSEN JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 651,000.

-30- 351
#90319c0267 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, GEORGE R JENSEN JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 432,500.

-30- 355
#90319c0268 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JEROME A MATTINGLY, PRES. OF AMERICAN BIONETICS INC. (TICKER: AMBI), BOUGHT 1,793 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,793.

-30- 346

#90319c0269 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, PRES. OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90319c0270 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, PRES. OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90319c0271 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, PRES. OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90319c0273 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, PRES. OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90319c0274 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, PRES. OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,495.

-30- 347
#90319c0275 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90319c0276 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90319c0277 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90319c0278 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90319c0279 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90319c0281 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90319c0282 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90319c0283 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90319c0284 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90319c0285 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90319c0286 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90319c0287 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,393,040.

-30- 330
#90319c0289 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90319c0290 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90319c0291 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90319c0292 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90319c0293 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90319c0294 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90319c0295 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90319c0297 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90319c0298 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90319c0299 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90319c0300 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,393,040.

-30- 325
#90319c0301 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOSEPH CATTIVERA, PRES. OF ANGELES CORP. (TICKER: ANG), SOLD 7,480 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,400.

-30- 303
#90319c0302 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ANTHONY INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ANTHONY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ANT), BOUGHT 936 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90319c0303 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, J DARCY CHISHOLM, TTEE OF ANGELES PARTICIPATING MTG TRUST (TICKER: APT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 340
#90319c0305 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PETER MCCAUSLAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90319c0306 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 21, 1990, PETER MCCAUSLAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 327
#90319c0307 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN J HARVEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 119,819.

-30- 328
#90319c0308 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0309 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0310 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0311 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0313 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0314 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0315 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0316 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0317 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0318 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0319 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0321 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0322 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0323 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0324 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0325 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0326 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0327 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0329 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0330 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0331 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0332 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0333 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0334 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0335 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0337 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ARCHIBALD SPENCER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ATHEY PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: ATPC), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90319c0338 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ARCHIBALD SPENCER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ATHEY PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: ATPC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,448.

-30- 330
#90319c0339 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JONES A LAURENCE, VP OF AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC. (TICKER: AUD), SOLD 750 SHARES AT $50.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,750.

-30- 333
#90319c0340 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, MARCEL P JOSEPH, PRES. OF AUGAT INC. (TICKER: AUG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,997.

-30- 297
#90319c0341 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, BRUCE L HICKS, OFFICER OF AVONDALE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AVDL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,070.

-30- 317
#90319c0342 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JAMES H MAYNARD, DIR. OF BB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BBTF), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90319c0343 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JAMES H MAYNARD, DIR. OF BB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BBTF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,100.

-30- 324
#90319c0345 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DAVID CLANCY, OFFICER OF BIOPOOL INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BIPL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 325
#90319c0346 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 14,941 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90319c0347 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90319c0348 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90319c0349 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90319c0350 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90319c0351 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90319c0353 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90319c0354 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90319c0355 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 18,750 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90319c0356 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90319c0357 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,646,725.

-30- 343
#90319c0358 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MAX P WATSON JR, PRES. OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,000.

-30- 316
#90319c0359 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, DONALD R GORDON, DIR. OF BIOSEARCH MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: BMPI), BOUGHT 200,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90319c0361 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, LAWRENCE M UBERTINI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,187.

-30- 353
#90319c0362 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ELLEN G BRESLAUER, OFFICER OF BRE PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BRE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90319c0363 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, EDWARD R DOWNE JR, DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), BOUGHT 175 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,272.

-30- 327
#90319c0364 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JUDITH A ROGALA, DIR. OF BUTLER MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BTLR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 320
#90319c0365 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WAYMAN F SMITH III, VP OF ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. (TICKER: BUD), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $35.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,118.

-30- 307
#90319c0366 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JEFFREY J SHEARER, VP OF BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: BV), SOLD 6,300 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90319c0367 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JEFFREY J SHEARER, VP OF BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: BV), SOLD 10,200 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90319c0369 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JEFFREY J SHEARER, VP OF BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: BV), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299

#90319c0370 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JEFFREY J SHEARER, VP OF BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: BV), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 169,664.

-30- 336
#90319c0371 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, DENNIS F WILLSON, VP OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90319c0372 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, DENNIS F WILLSON, VP OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 331
#90319c0373 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ANDREW A DELGREGO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,568.

-30- 388
#90319c0374 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, KENNETH F ZARRILLI, DIR. OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,534.

-30- 363
#90319c0375 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, GEORGE R HERBERT, DIR. OF CCB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER:

CCBF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 313
#90319c0377 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, HENRY D EPSTEIN, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: CCMM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90319c0378 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HENRY D EPSTEIN, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: CCMM), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90319c0379 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HENRY D EPSTEIN, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: CCMM), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90319c0380 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, HENRY D EPSTEIN, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: CCMM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 205,000.

-30- 365
#90319c0381 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JAY GOTTLIEB, PRES. OF COMPUTER FACTORY INC. (TICKER: CFA), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 214,913.

-30- 321
#90319c0382 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOSEPH M BARNHART III, DIR. OF CULLEN/FROST BANKERS INC. (TICKER: CFBI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,000.

-30- 335
#90319c0383 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JAMES W GORMAN JR, DIR. OF CULLEN/FROST BANKERS INC. (TICKER: CFBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90319c0385 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JAMES W GORMAN JR, DIR. OF CULLEN/FROST BANKERS INC. (TICKER: CFBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 325
#90319c0386 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, GERALD W MONTIEL, PRES. OF CHARTER GOLF INC. (TICKER: CGOL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90319c0387 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, GERALD W MONTIEL, PRES. OF CHARTER GOLF INC. (TICKER: CGOL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90319c0388 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, GERALD W MONTIEL, PRES. OF CHARTER GOLF INC. (TICKER: CGOL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90319c0389 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GERALD W MONTIEL, PRES. OF CHARTER GOLF INC. (TICKER: CGOL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90319c0390 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GERALD W MONTIEL, PRES. OF CHARTER GOLF INC. (TICKER: CGOL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 634,545.

-30- 316
#90319c0391 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ROBERT M BEALL, DIR. OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90319c0393 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, LARRY WEBB, DIR. OF CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CINF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $66.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,450.

-30- 316
#90319c0394 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, MICHAEL W PATRICK, PRES. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,597.

-30- 323
#90319c0395 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WILLIAM B DOCKSER, CHAIRMAN OF CRI INSURED MTG ASSN INC.

(TICKER: CMM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 122,650.

-30- 337
#90319c0396 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WILLIAM B DOCKSER, CHAIRMAN OF CRI INSURED MTG ASSN INC. (TICKER: CMM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 182,515.

-30- 340
#90319c0397 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, EWING OIL INC, BEN. OWNER OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE), SOLD 49,921 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,755.

-30- 347
#90319c0398 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, HERBERT C PELL III, DIR. OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90319c0399 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, HERBERT C PELL III, DIR. OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,737.

-30- 324
#90319c0401 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 322

#90319c0402 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $2.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90319c0403 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 23,000 SHARES AT $2.61 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90319c0404 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90319c0405 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 16,500 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90319c0406 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 10,306 SHARES AT $2.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,584,706.

-30- 363
#90319c0407 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 13,200 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90319c0409 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90319c0410 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 11,400 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90319c0411 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90319c0412 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90319c0413 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90319c0414 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90319c0415 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90319c0417 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 13,200 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90319c0418 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90319c0419 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90319c0420 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 11,400 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90319c0421 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90319c0422 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90319c0423 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90319c0425 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90319c0426 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,291,403.

-30- 352
#90319c0427 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, FRANK J DISANTO JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COPYTELE INC. (TICKER: COPY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 236,475.

-30- 332
#90319c0428 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, WAYNE C CASEBOLT, OFFICER OF CORDIS CORP. (TICKER: CORD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 932.

-30- 305
#90319c0429 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 151,043.

-30- 305
#90319c0430 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 31,416 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90319c0431 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90319c0433 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90319c0434 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,612,354.

-30- 310
#90319c0435 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX),

BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,113.

-30- 303
#90319c0436 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90319c0437 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90319c0438 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,898.

-30- 303
#90319c0439 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, DEAN C NISWANDER, VP OF CHEMI-TROL CHEMICAL CO. (TICKER: CTRL), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,658.

-30- 321
#90319c0441 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JOHN D COMER, DIR. OF C&S/SOVRAN CORP. (TICKER: CVN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,960.

-30- 303
#90319c0442 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CARL H MURRAY, DIR. OF CXR CORP. (TICKER: CXR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,800.

-30- 290
#90319c0443 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD. (TICKER: CXY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 355
#90319c0444 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD. (TICKER: CXY), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 388
#90319c0445 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, GEORGE E KLINE, DIR. OF CYBEROPTICS CORP. (TICKER: CYBE), SOLD 3,700 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90319c0446 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, GEORGE E KLINE, DIR. OF CYBEROPTICS CORP. (TICKER: CYBE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90319c0447 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, KENNETH J BARR, CHAIRMAN OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90319c0449 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOHN TARABA, VP OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90319c0450 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1989, RAYBURN S DEZEMBER, DIR. OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $29.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 297
#90319c0451 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1989, RAYBURN S DEZEMBER, DIR. OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,900.

-30- 297
#90319c0452 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, STEVEN B SCHICKLER, OFFICER OF DREYER'S GRAND ICE CREAM INC. (TICKER: DRYR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90319c0453 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, STEVEN B SCHICKLER, OFFICER OF DREYER'S GRAND ICE CREAM INC. (TICKER: DRYR), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,900.

-30- 348
#90319c0454 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, STEVEN POSNER, DIR. OF DWG CORP. (TICKER: DWG), SOLD 38,584 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,557.

-30- 289

#90319c0455 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JAMES L MAROVITZ, DIR. OF DYNASCAN CORP. (TICKER: DYNA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,470.

-30- 304
#90319c0457 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN F RENO, OFFICER OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,525.

-30- 301
#90319c0458 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOHN B MOWELL, DIR. OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90319c0459 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOHN B MOWELL, DIR. OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90319c0460 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOHN B MOWELL, DIR. OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,200.

-30- 334
#90319c0461 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOHN B MOWELL, DIR. OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90319c0462 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JOHN B MOWELL, DIR. OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 365 SHARES AT $5.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,764.

-30- 331
#90319c0463 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 76,300 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90319c0465 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90319c0466 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90319c0467 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90319c0468 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90319c0469 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 13,600 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90319c0470 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90319c0471 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90319c0473 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90319c0474 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, RUDOLPH MALACRIDA, VP OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,823.

-30- 306
#90319c0475 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, SHAMROCK HOLDINGS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ENTERRA CORP. (TICKER: EN), SOLD 432,180 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,788,420.

-30- 331
#90319c0476 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, WALTER H BARANDIARAN, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,362.

-30- 356
#90319c0477 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, WALTER H BARANDIARAN, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 357
#90319c0478 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JAMES EVERT LUHRS, DIR. OF EQUITABLE OF IOWA COS. (TICKER: EQIC), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,840.

-30- 324
#90319c0479 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, INSTITUTIONAL VENTURE PART III, BEN. OWNER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90319c0481 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN L FRYE, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP.(NC) (TICKER: FBNC), SOLD 13,875 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 325
#90319c0482 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN L FRYE, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP.(NC) (TICKER: FBNC), BOUGHT 13,875 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,119.

-30- 327
#90319c0483 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, J EVANS ATTWELL, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90319c0484 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, J EVANS ATTWELL, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 23,400 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90319c0485 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, J EVANS ATTWELL, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90319c0486 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, J EVANS ATTWELL, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,470.

-30- 347
#90319c0487 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, RALPH S OCONNOR, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90319c0489 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1990, ROBERT J SIERRA, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90319c0490 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 05, 1990, ROBERT J SIERRA, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90319c0491 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, ROBERT J SIERRA, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90319c0492 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT J SIERRA, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90319c0493 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROBERT J SIERRA, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90319c0494 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, ROBERT J SIERRA, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90319c0495 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ROBERT J SIERRA, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,500.

-30- 340
#90319c0497 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JEFFREY J SQUIRES, OFFICER OF FIRST INTER-BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FIBI), BOUGHT 4,950 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,430.

-30- 337
#90319c0498 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, GEORGE P BUCKEY, DIR. OF FINANCIAL TRUST CORP. (TICKER: FITC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 315
#90319c0499 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WEBB S HERSPERGER, DIR. OF FINANCIAL TRUST CORP. (TICKER: FITC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,481.

-30- 320
#90319c0500 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, EDWIN H SHUTT, DIR. OF FIRST OF LONG ISLAND CORP. (TICKER: FLIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,576.

-30- 321
#90319c0501 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, JOHN R FLUOR II, OFFICER OF FLUOR CORP. (TICKER: FLR), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,430.

-30- 300
#90319c0502 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, DAVID J LOOMIS, OFFICER OF F & M FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP.(WI) (TICKER: FMFS), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90319c0503 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, ALLEN M VOELZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF F & M FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP.(WI) (TICKER: FMFS), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,819.

-30- 354
#90319c0505 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, STEVEN D SINGLETON, VP OF FIRST SECURITY CORP.(KY) (TICKER: FSKY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,581.

-30- 322
#90319c0506 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, RICHARD SAKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FOODARAMA SUPERMARKETS INC. (TICKER: FSM), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,569.

-30- 346
#90319c0507 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, MICHAEL J CHASANOFF, DIR. OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,100.

-30- 345
#90319c0508 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, THOMAS J DIETZ, VP OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,233.

-30- 329
#90319c0509 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, PAUL THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN OF GENERAL AUTOMATION INC. (TICKER: GA), BOUGHT 28,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,550,388.

-30- 335
#90319c0510 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, RONALD L GLASS, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,178,625.

-30- 338
#90319c0511 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JAMES H RIESENBERG, OFFICER OF GUEST SUPPLY INC. (TICKER: GEST), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.26 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 324
#90319c0513 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, CAROLYN P BROWER, VP OF GNW FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GNWF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,691.

-30- 313
#90319c0514 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, RICHARD J BURGESS, SHAREHOLDER OF GNW FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GNWF), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,359.

-30- 327
#90319c0515 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, FRANCES I HANSEN, VP OF GNW FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GNWF), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,260.

-30- 308
#90319c0516 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, RAYMOND L SOULE, CHAIRMAN OF GNW FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GNWF), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,340.

-30- 318
#90319c0517 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, RALPH T MCELVENNY JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GOLDEN OIL CO. (DEL) (TICKER: GOCO), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90319c0518 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, RALPH T MCELVENNY JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GOLDEN OIL CO. (DEL) (TICKER: GOCO), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 967,683.

-30- 376
#90319c0519 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, LEO LIEBOWITZ, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GETTY PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: GTY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,118,063.

-30- 369
#90319c0521 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, GEORGE L WILLIAMS, DIR. OF CLUB-THEATRE NETWORK INC. (TICKER: HDTV), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $2.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 91,622.

-30- 330
#90319c0522 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, GEORGE L WILLIAMS, DIR. OF CLUB-THEATRE NETWORK INC. (TICKER: HDTV), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,222.

-30- 330
#90319c0523 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ROBERT J PITEL, SHAREHOLDER OF HEI INC. (TICKER: HEII), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,600.

-30- 306
#90319c0524 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90319c0525 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90319c0526 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90319c0527 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90319c0529 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90319c0530 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90319c0531 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $14.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90319c0532 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90319c0533 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,914,800.

-30- 346
#90319c0534 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0535 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90319c0537 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0538 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0539 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0540 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90319c0541 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $14.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90319c0542 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0543 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,914,800.

-30- 359
#90319c0545 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GERALD J LEWIS, DIR. OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HENP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90319c0546 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, GERALD J LEWIS, DIR. OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HENP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282

#90319c0547 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GERALD J LEWIS, DIR. OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HENP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90319c0548 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GERALD J LEWIS, DIR. OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HENP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,900.

-30- 320
#90319c0549 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM A SMELAS, VP OF HORSEHEAD RESOURCE DEV CO. (TICKER: HHRD), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90319c0550 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, WILLIAM A SMELAS, VP OF HORSEHEAD RESOURCE DEV CO. (TICKER: HHRD), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 321
#90319c0551 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DAVID L WHELAN, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90319c0553 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, ROBERT D CARL III, PRES. OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 612,250.

-30- 317
#90319c0554 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, MARC I RAPHAELSON, DIR. OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,500.

-30- 319
#90319c0555 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MICHAEL R SCOTT, VP OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 301
#90319c0556 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROY C TURNER III, DIR. OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,300.

-30- 314
#90319c0557 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROY C TURNER III, DIR. OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90319c0558 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROY C TURNER III, DIR. OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 312
#90319c0559 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WILLIAM E WHITESELL, DIR. OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90319c0561 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WILLIAM E WHITESELL, DIR. OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 320
#90319c0562 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, KEVIN DOW, OFFICER OF HEALTH-MOR INC. (TICKER: HMI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 295
#90319c0563 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DONALD J SLEEZER, DIR. OF HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HOMG), SOLD 142,644 SHARES AT $6.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90319c0564 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DONALD J SLEEZER, DIR. OF HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HOMG), SOLD 124,258 SHARES AT $6.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90319c0565 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MICHAEL V ROBERTS, DIR. OF HOME SHOPPING NETWORK INC. (TICKER: HSN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90319c0566 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MICHAEL V ROBERTS, DIR. OF HOME SHOPPING NETWORK INC. (TICKER: HSN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90319c0567 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, MICHAEL V ROBERTS, DIR. OF HOME SHOPPING NETWORK INC. (TICKER: HSN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,800.

-30- 331
#90319c0569 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, JAMES P LEHR, VP OF HERITAGE MEDIA CORP. (TICKER: HTG), BOUGHT 1,725 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,725.

-30- 304
#90319c0570 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOHN B SLAUGHTER, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP. (TICKER: IBM), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $106.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 340
#90319c0571 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, HERBERT L LUCAS JR, DIR. OF ARCTIC ALASKA FISHERIES CORP. (TICKER: ICE), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 331
#90319c0572 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MARTIN H RUBY, VP OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 40,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 314,490.

-30- 293
#90319c0573 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MARTIN H RUBY, VP OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,100.

-30- 292
#90319c0574 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MARTIN H RUBY, VP OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90319c0575 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, RICHARD E HEATH, DIR. OF IDEX CORP. (TICKER: IEX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 291
#90319c0577 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, RAMON L HUMKE, DIR. OF INB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INBF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 312
#90319c0578 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, RAYMOND F KENNEDY, DIR. OF INB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INBF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 320
#90319c0579 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, RICHARD J ELKUS JR, CHAIRMAN OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC.

(TICKER: INTS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90319c0580 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, RICHARD J ELKUS JR, CHAIRMAN OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90319c0581 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, RICHARD J ELKUS JR, CHAIRMAN OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTS), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $8.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90319c0582 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RICHARD J ELKUS JR, CHAIRMAN OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90319c0583 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RICHARD J ELKUS JR, CHAIRMAN OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTS), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $7.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 360,000.

-30- 334
#90319c0585 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0586 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0587 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,310 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90319c0588 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90319c0589 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $1.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0590 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90319c0591 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 475 SHARES AT $1.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0593 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90319c0594 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90319c0595 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90319c0596 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90319c0597 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90319c0598 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,419,792.

-30- 363
#90319c0599 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90319c0601 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90319c0602 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,310 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0603 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0604 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $1.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90319c0605 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0606 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 475 SHARES AT $1.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90319c0607 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,890 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0609 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90319c0610 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319c0611 11/15/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90319d0030 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WINDHOEK (NOV 15) - The U.S. Embassy here has sent an urgent message to Washington advising that sanctions should no longer be applied against Namibia, now a free and independent country, the U.S. information service said in a news release published here Thursday.

The message was prompted Namibian Prime Minister Hage Geingob's appeal earlier in the day for the United States to lift remaining sanctions against the country which, he said, remained in force nearly eight months after independence from South Africa.

Mr. Geingob told a news conference Namibia had made representations to the United States stating that the country was free "and should not anymore suffer under sanctions imposed against South Africa".

Before Namibia won its independence from South Africa last March, it was subject to some of the provisions in the 1986 Comprehensive Anti-Apartheid Act adopted by the United States.

The U.S. information service said the embassy was concerned that certain state governments in the United States still applied various anti-apartheid sanctions against Namibia.

It said sanctions ran counter to U.S. government policy and that U.S. President George Bush on Namibian Independence Day, March 21, formally lifted all sanctions against Namibia.

The message to Washington asked that certain jurisdictions again be advised that Namibia was a free and independent country in which apartheid practices ended on March 21 "and that U.S. government policy is to encourage, not restrict, trade between the U.S. and Namiba".

-30- 1753

#90319d0050 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (NOV. 15) - At least six climbers died in the Himalayas during Nepal's post-monsoon climbing season which ended on Thursday, the Nepalese Tourism Ministry said.

Three Soviet climbers were killed while descending Mount Manaslu and a South Korean climber died in a fall on the world's tallest peak, 8,848-metre (29,028-foot) Mount Everest. Two Nepalese mountain guides have also died, it said without elaborating.

About 90 expeditions from 18 countries attempted to scale 35 peaks this season with only one third of the attempts successful.

-30- 748

#90319d0090 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (NOV 15) - The first meeting of the Namibia-Botswana joint commission on defence and security was held here Thursday, the South African news agency SAPA said.

The commission follows a "protocol of understanding on defence and security" signed by Namibian president Sam Nujoma and Botswana President Quett Masire in July in the Namibian capital.

During the meeting, the parties agreed to give special attention to the problem of poaching and to work out a joint mechanism to eradicate the problem along the two countries' common border.

It was also agreed to ensure free and justifiable access to common rivers, to avoid, at all costs, cross-border shooting incidents through swift exchange of information on criminals, to intensify efforts to promote and protect the fragile environment, and to urge nationals to use designated border crossing points between the neighbouring states.

-30- 1107

#90319d0150 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 15) - London Metal Exchange (LME) prices moved little here Thursday.

Copper was quoted in after-hours kerb trading at 1,328 pounds per tonne, down from the close of afternoon trading at 1,334 pounds per tonne, but up from 1,324 at Wednesday's close.

Three-month nickel was quoted in after-hours kerb trading at 8,475 dollars per tonne against 8,525 per tonne at the close of the afternoon ring, and close to the closing level Wednesday of 8,450 dollars.

Cash nickel continued to be quoted at a premium over three-month metal. At the close, cash nickel was quoted at 8,850 dollars per tonne, a premium on the three-month price of 325 dollars, against 8,875 dollars Wednesday.

Lead was quoted in after-hours kerb trading at 372 pounds per tonne, the same figure it closed at on Wednesday and two pounds up from the close of the afternoon session.

-30- 1057

#90319d0180 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NIAMEY (NOV. 15) - Niger President Ali Saibou accepted the institution of a multi-party political system on Thursday, the Niger Press Agency reported.

General Saibou, speaking to the National Assembly, also backed holding a national conference after political parties had been created, according to the agency.

-30- 480

#90319d0210 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV 15) - The British RSPCA has launched a publicity campaign featuring a photograph of a slaughtered horse hanging from a hook in an abattoir in a bid to curb alleged abuses of animals shipped from Britain to the

European continent to be used for food.

In a graphic advertisement appearing this week in British national newspapers, the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (RSPCA), appealing to anti-European sentiment among some Britons, stated: "The continentals love freshly butchered horsemeat."

The text of the ad, running alongside the photograph of the hanging horse, stated that with introduction of new EEC-wide regulations governing transport of animals, Britain would again begin sending live horses for consumption in other European countries.

The European Economic Community (EEC) regulations would supersede Britain's Minimum Values Order, which effectively banned transport of live horses to the European continent some 30 years ago, the RSPCA asserted.

"The images are hard-hitting and we make no apology for that," stated Gavin Grant, the RSPCA's campaigns director.

"By showing people the horrors, we hope they will be motivated to take action and campaign for tougher legislation," he added.

An RSPCA statement said the campaign was aimed at persuading the EEC's Council of Agricultural Ministers to adopt measures to protect animals transported across Europe.

Among the steps called for by the RSPCA were limiting the time during which animals can be transported for slaughter to eight hours and maintaining the British law which bars shipment of live horses from Britain.

-30- 1855

#90319d0260 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV 15) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,339.00 (1,323.00) 1,333.00 (1,323.50)
Lead 366.00 (369.00) 370.25 (371.75)
Zinc Hg 1,297.50 (1,272.50) 1,271.00 (1,251.00)
Tin 6,150.00 (6,165.00) 6,157.50 (6,165.00)
Aluminium 1,643.00 (1,626.00) 1,667.50 (1,655.50)
Nickel 8,825.00 (8,850.00) 8,512.50 (8,440.00)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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~HL:NEW INVESTMENT BANK FOR LATIN AMERICA IN URUGUAY
MONTEVIDEO (NOV. 15) UPI - A powerful international finance group filed for permission from Uruguayan authorities to open an investment bank for Latin American development projects, one of the financers said Thursday.

The investment bank will begin operation following approval by the Central Bank, with operations aimed at promoting the influx of capital to Latin American countries, Auturo Martinez Olascoaga said.

Martinez, a Uruguayan financier and president of the European Corporation, which is based in Madrid, said the Investment Bank will be financially backed by the ''Pallas Group,'' a powerful international economic organization.

The Pallas Group is made up of 27 major private banks and investment companies including the French bank Credit Lyonnais, the Union of Swiss Banks and Nippon Life Insurance, one of the world's largest insurers, Martinez said.

The investment bank was authorized Sept. 12 as a way of consolidating Uruguay's position as the financial capital of the region, one of the goals announced by the government of President Luis Alberto Lacalle.

Unlike a traditional commercial bank, the investment bank will be limited to financing development projects, along with the help of the Inter-American Development Bank, Martinez said.

-30- 2099
#90319d0290 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAGUA (NOV. 15) - Former contra rebels hurled grenades at police trying to break up a demonstration, killing four police and wounding 17 as anti-government unrest spread to northern Nicaragua, authorities said Thursday.

News of the violence in the northern town of Sebaco followed warnings by Vice President Virgilio Godoy that civil war could erupt if the government used force to crush the swelling protest movement.

The Interior Ministry said the latest incident occurred Wednesday after about 300 people in Sebaco seized a bridge on a highway linking the northern cities of Jinotega and Matgalpa with Managua.

When police used tear gas to disperse the crowd, former rebels hurled several fragmentation grenades at the police, killing four and wounding 17, the ministry said.

The clash raised to nine the number of people killed in the two weeks since the protests first broke out in southeastern Nicaragua over the government's failure to give former rebels promised land and financial aid.

Contra supporters, backed by nearly a score of local mayors and by Mr. Godoy, have built barricades severing the only highway between the Pacific and Atlantic coasts. Others have occupied schools and government buildings.

The contras, formed and financed by the United States, battled throughout the 1980's to topple the leftist Sandinista government, which was finally ousted through elections early this year.

The ex-rebels' uprising poses a clear challenge to the government of President Violeta Chamorro, who assumed office in April at the head of a fractious coalition that included supporters of the contra rebels.

Negotiations were under way Thursday between the government and the former contras in the southeastern town of Muelle de Bueyes but the former contras have added political demands to their initial grievances.

Accusing the government of making too many concessions to the opposition Sandinistas, who remain in control of the army and security forces, the former rebels have demanded the resignations of the armed forces chief, General Humberto Ortega, a Sandinista, Interior Minister Carlos Hurtado and presidential chief of staff Antonio Lacayo.

-30- 2406

#90319d0390 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 15) - President Hosni Mubarak returned here from Damascus late Thursday after two days of talks with Syrian counterpart Hafez al-Assad on the Gulf crisis, correspondents said.

Asked by reporters at the airport about differences emerging within the anti-Iraqi coalition formed after Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2, Mr. Mubarak replied: "Nothing has changed in the situation, the anti-Iraqi coalition hasn't changed at all."

He said a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis was difficult, since Iraq's conditions (for a comprehensive Middle East peace settlement and complete withdrawal of international forces from the region) were rejected by the whole world.

"Nobody wants war, but the Iraqis have rejected all possible solutions," he said."

Earlier, the official Egyptian news agency MENA said Mr. Mubarak and Mr. Assad had implicitly rejected the idea of an emergency Arab summit proposed by Morocco's King Hassan II.

A joint communique, issued in Cairo and Damascus at the end of talks between

the two leaders in the Syrian capital, blamed Iraq, saying Baghdad's position made all political settlement of the Gulf crisis impossible.

MENA, quoting the communique, said Mr. Mubarak and Mr. Assad carefully reviewed King Hassan's proposal for a summit.

Mr. Mubarak, who had also visited Libya to discuss the Gulf crisis, held talks Wednesday with Mr. Assad on ways of averting war in the region, authoritative Syrian sources said.

Egypt and Syria have both strongly denounced the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and outraged Baghdad by sending troops to Saudi Arabia to defend the kingdom against any Iraqi attack.

-30- 1859

#90319d0670 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV 15) - Ethiopia has welcomed U.S. efforts to end the civil war in the northern Ethiopian province of Eritrea amid growing signs that relations are warming between the two countries.

Ethiopia has launched a diplomatic campaign to win Western support since it turned its back on orthodox Marxist policies earlier this year and announced reforms to liberalise its economy.

U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs Herman Cohen, winding up a two-day visit to Addis Ababa on Wednesday, welcomed the new cordiality in bilateral relations and pledged to work towards their further improvement, according to an Ethiopian government statement.

Ethiopian President Mengistu Haile Mariam described a meeting last month in Washington between Ethiopian government officials and representatives of the rebel Eritrean People's Liberation Front as a "positive step" which should be continued.

Mr. Cohen said Ethiopia was fully committed to peace and hoped that peace negotiations to end nearly three decades of civil war would soon resume.

Ethiopia recently lifted restrictions on emigration of Ethiopia's 20,000 Jews to Israel in a move that will certainly help improve relations with the United States, which had asked Addis Ababa to allow free Jewish emigration.

But Ethiopia has reportedly demanded military aid from Israel in exchange for the Jews -- a development that would be less welcome to Washington, which has opposed previous Israeli arms sales to Ethiopia on the grounds that military assistance would prolong the civil war.

-30- 1754
#90319d0720 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ACCRA (NOV 15) - Liberia's interim president, Amos Sawyer, Thursday called on the five-nationl peacekeeping force in his country to impose a ceasefire to ''freeze military action'' and allow diplomatic initiatives a chance to work, Radio Ghana reported.

Sawyer, who returned to Accra from Lagos Thursday, was quoted as also calling on the main rebel force, the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (Npfl) led by Charles Taylor, to agree to a ceasefire.

Radio Ghana said Sawyer told a news conference after meeting with Ghana's head of state Jerry Rawlings behind closed doors that further ''aggravation on the military front would complicate matters.''

He said his interim government believed that the real solution to the 11-month-old civil war lies in a political initiative.

Sawyer's call to the peacekeepers came as the 9,000-strong force Wednesday bombed the port of Buchanan, killing a number of people and damaging a ship belonging to a U.S. company which was offloading relief supplies.

An Economic Community of West African States (Ecowas) official confirmed the British Broadcasting Corporation (Bbc) report saying that the peacekeepers had been forced to take the action in Buchanan because they had had several reports of arms shipments reaching taylor through that port.

-30- 1503
#90319d0850 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV 15) - With just four days to go before the signing of the first treaty to reduce conventional arms in Europe, the United States Thursday expressed concern over the prior withdrawal of Soviet tanks to the east of the Urals.

U.S. experts must verify Soviet assurances that the tanks withdrawn from Eastern Europe during the past month and redeployed outside of the area covered by the treaty are being destroyed, said a U.S. official speaking on condition of anomymity.

The CFE treaty, which covers Europe from the Atlantic to the Urals, establishes no method of verifying the destruction of tanks redeployed before the treaty is signed, said the official, who nevertheless hailed the treaty as "a tremendous success."

U.S. officials have played down the importance of the issue, saying it is secondary compared to the "incredible accomplishment" of the CFE treaty.

The official, who briefed reporters prior to the signing Monday of the CFE treaty at the opening in Paris of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE), stressed that the issue of the tanks would "certainly not" threaten the treaty, which will be initialed Sunday in Vienna, where it was negotiated over the past 20 months.

He added, however, "Obviously, we are concerned about movements to the East of the Urals."

The official declined to give the number of tanks believed involved. According to The New York Times Thursday, several thousand were withdrawn.

The CFE treaty limits the number of Soviet tanks to 13,150. The Soviet Union had 40,000 tanks in Europe before the CFE negotiations and would have had to destroy 27,000 if no tanks had been withdrawn ahead of time.

According to the Times, the Soviet Union has let Washington know that it now has only 25,000 tanks in Europe, which would leave 12,000 tanks to be destroyed under the terms of the treaty.

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#90319d0900 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 15) - The Soviet Union has signed a contract for buying French soft wheat and barley, informed sources said here on Thursday.

They said the contract, for 900,000 tonnes of soft wheat and 500,000 tonnes of barley, was concluded after European Economic Community authorities decided on Thursday to grant certificates needed for the transaction together with "restitutions" (export subsidies) for the amounts involved.

The wheat restitution for the deal is 115.5 European Currency Units (ECU) per tonne, with a limit of 900,000 tonnes. The barley restitution is 103.80 ECU per tonne, with a 500,000-tonne limit.

The Soviet Union will be able to pay for the grain thanks to a credit line of 1.5 billion francs (300 million dollars) granted by France during a visit to Paris at the end of October by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

The two-year credits, the details of which have not yet been settled, will be guaranteed by the French export credit insurance company, COFACE.

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#90319d1100 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 15) - The Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) Thursday approved 300 million dollars in loans to Venezuela, part of a 650 million dollar financing package destined to help that country restructure its

state-run businesses.

In addition, the IDB will provide Venezuela up to five million dollars in technical assistance to prepare for a privatization program.

The World Bank already has approved parallel financing of 350 million dollars for this same public enterprise streamlining program.

The IDBWorld Bank package seeks to give Venezuela's government the necessary financial leeway to readjust management policies in to maximize efficiency, to eliminate market barriers and to slash public enterprise subsidies which top one billion dollars annually, officials said.

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#90319d1620 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 15) - The United States is readying contingency plans to send emergency food and medicine to the Soviet Union if food shortages develop in that economically troubled country this winter, U.S. officials said Thursday.

The officials said a key reason for the U.S. willingness to help was fear that internal unrest could destabilize the Soviet Union.

(According to a poll in the latest edition of the News of Moscow, 62 per cent of Soviet citizens fear that famine will hit in the coming months. The poll followed reports in the Soviet press in recent months of some isolated cases of famine, particularly in Soviet Central Asia.)

The U.S. officials said measures being contemplated to help the Soviets included using U.S. emergency disaster programs, airlifting food and medicine and sending technicians to help cope with transportation problems.

At the State Department, spokesman Richard Boucher would only say: "We are aware of the concern that the Soviet Union may experience difficulties in food availability this winter. It's still unclear whether severe shortages will actually develop.

"We will of course consider such assistance if we were asked."

President George Bush is expected to discuss the issue with his Soviet counterpart Mikhail Gorbachev when the two meet next week in Paris for the summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

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#90319d1720 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV 16) - The Bank of England on Thursday predicted that Britain will next year slide into a "steeper and more prolonged" recession than it

previously expected.

"Economic indicators have been suggesting more consistently and clearly that the slowdown in the real economy has been continuing, with signs now that output and demand may have fallen in the third quarter," the Bank said in its Quarterly Bulletin.

The slowdown could be more pronounced because there had been stronger growth than expected in the first six months of 1990.

A fragile world economy would also harm trade and reduce British export markets, which are already suffering because of the firmness of the pound, the Bank added.

The Bank's outlooks appears more pessimistic than that of the government, which has predicted a moderate short-term recession, which would allow growth of 0.54 percent next year.

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#90319d1820 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (NOV 15) - The Brazilian government tried to build an atomic weapon while under military rule, but has since "completely abandoned" the project, a government official said Thursday.

Science and Technology Secretary Jose Goldemberg confirmed the reports in testimony to a parliamentary commission charged with looking into nuclear research done by the country's former military government, which left office in 1985 after 21 years in power.

Mr. Goldemberg and Paulo Leone, the secretary of strategic affairs, declined to identify government officials who participated in the project.

"The government has broken with the past and we don't want to know about what is past," Mr. Goldemberg said.

Mr. Ramos said only that the officials were "a group close to the president."

He said the technology center developed a method of enriching uranium to build a bomb that would have been tested in a cave in the Sierra do Cachimbo in the state of Amazonia, symbolically closed two months ago by current President Fernando Collor de Mello.

Mr. Ramos also declined to detail the program or say when or how the research was done, despite repeated questioning by legislators, some of whom offered to call a closed door session.

He also indicated that he did not know if the military officers involved with

the program were still in the armed forces.

The only evidence given the legislative committee was a secret document signed by General Danilo Venturini, the former head of the country's National Security Council during the presidency of General Joao Baptista Figueiredo (1979-1985.)

Legislators said the document, which was not released, shed little new light on the atomic program.

They decided to call Mr. Figueiredo, who has already declined to testify several times by saying that his health was too poor to permit a trip to Brasilia.

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#90319d1850 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 15) - President George Bush reiterated Thursday that he had not yet decided whether to use force in the Gulf but said he was "deadly serious" about getting Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

"I am not going to compromise one single iota," Mr. Bush said in an interview with Cable News Network. "No, there isn't going to be a compromise with this kind of naked aggression."

The U.S. president said he would never put American soldiers in a military situation "that we do not win. Ever. And there is not going to be any long, drawn out agony of Vietnam."

He reiterated that he had not ruled out a military option, "but I am absolutely convinced that having the forces in place, should a military option be required, is prudent policy."

Asked about the reinforcements -- reportedly numbering 150,000 -- that he dispatched last week, Mr. Bush said, "I am sending a signal, a clear clarion signal to (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein: 'We are deadly serious about seeing you get out of Kuwait and about those hostages... Make no mistake about it'."

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#90319d1970 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein told an American television audience Thursday evening that his country wants peace but will not capitulate.

Interviewed by Abc-News, Saddam called on President George Bush to engage in dialogue with Iraq without ''capitulation as a precondition.''

He said all foreigners would be free to leave Iraq as soon as Bush gives an ''open pledge'' not to start war.

Saddam said any such dialogue would include ''all issues.'' Asked whether that meant the occupation of Kuwait is ''negotiable,'' Saddam replied, ''When I say something, I mean it.''

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#90319d2010 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (NOV 15) - President George Bush Saturday will start an eight-day tour of Europe and the Middle East to consolidate the multinational anti-Iraqi alliance and seek consensus on the possible use of force to free occupied Kuwait.

The highlight of the tour will come November 22, when Mr. Bush will visit the U.S. troops stationed in Saudi Arabia, not far from the Iraqi front lines in Kuwait, in a strong signal of defiance Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The other key event during the tour will be Mr. Bush's participation in the summit meeting of the 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) in Paris November 19-21. The summit is due to include signing an historic treaty reducing conventional forces in Europe (CFE).

A senior government official said the CSCE summit would symbolize the "Europe whole and free" which has been a key foreign policy goal of Mr. Bush since taking office nearly two years ago.

But despite this historic occasion, Mr. Bush's attention will stay focused on the Gulf crisis, amid mounting concerns that his policy is losing public support back home where Congress has given him only conditional backing.

Another senior government official said Mr. Bush would probably use two informal CSCE meetings to discuss the Middle East situation.

On the sidelines of the CSCE summit, Mr. Bush will meet French President Francois Mitterrand and at least four other foreign leaders, including Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

Mr. Bush intends to pursue efforts undertaken by Secretary of State James Baker during his recent trip to Europe and the Middle East to fortify the anti-Iraqi coalition amid disagreements over when and if to use military force to dislodge Iraq from Kuwait.

Mr. Baker Wednesday stressed the importance of establishing a sound political and military basis for using force in the Gulf, since it could not be be discarded as an option.

Mr. Baker left Washington early Thursday for meetings in in Geneva and Paris with members of the U.N. Security Council to explore the possibility of drawing up a new U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force in the Gulf if deemed necessary.

Mr. Baker will meet up with Mr. Bush Sunday for the CSCE summit.

Before his departure, Mr. Baker said that following his and Mr. Bush's discussions with foreign leaders over the next 10 days, Washington would be better situated to made decisions on the possible use of military force.

A senior official, however, said "hope" was too strong a word at present to describe the possibility the allies might reach a consensus on this issue by the end of Mr. Bush's trip.

Mr. Bush will have plenty or opportunities to state his intentions when he meets Saudi King Fahd and the exiled Kuwaiti Emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, in Jeddah next Wednesday.

Thursday, the president will travel to the eastern Saudi region around Dhahran where, 250 kilometers (160 miles) from the Kuwaiti border, he and First Lady Barbara Bush will have the traditional U.S. Thanksgiving Day dinner with U.S. troops before visiting a U.S. warship in the Gulf.

It will be first time since Richard Nixon went to Vietnam that an American president has visited a region considered a zone of conflict.

Some 240,000 U.S. troops are currently deployed in the Gulf, but that number may swell to more than 400,000 by January of next year following Mr. Bush's announcement a week ago that he wanted to give the anti-Iraqi forces an offensive capability.

Before he returns to Washington November 23, Mr. Bush is due to stop in Cairo to confer with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

During his stay in Paris, Mr. Bush will join 33 other heads of state and government in the CSCE summit where three historic agreements reducing U.S. and Soviet conventional forces in Europe (CFE), pledging non-aggression and vowing closer ties between former adversaries are to be signed.

The summit, according to Mr. Baker, will formally "bury the Cold War hatchet."

Saturday, Mr. Bush is to visit Prague for celebratations marking the first anniversary of Czechoslovakia's "velvet revolution." He is expected to give a major speech on democracy.

The following day, Mr. Bush is due to visit German Chancellor Helmut Kohl at his weekend retreat in Oggersheim for talks on the Gulf situation, before

heading to the CSCE meeting in Paris.

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#90319d2070 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (NOV 15) - The U.S. and South Korean defense ministers wound up three days of talks here Thursday, with Washington's assurances that planned cutbacks in U.S. troop strength on the Korean peninsula did not signal any change in the close security ties between the two countries.

In a joint communique, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and his South Korean counterpart Lee Jong Koo reaffirmed that "any future reduction or readjustment of U.S. forces in the Republic of Korea should be made gradually and in a phased manner after a careful evaluation of the security environment in and around the Korean peninsula."

Mr. Cheney assured his guest that plans to cut the 40,000-strong U.S. military contingent on the Korean peninsula by 5,000 ground and 2,000 Air Force personnel reflected changes in the overall situation, including South Korea's enhanced defense capabilities.

"Both sides agreed that North Korea poses a serious threat to South Korea by continuing to deploy its forces offensively and that the capability of the North to initiate a surprise attack against the Republic of Korea with little ort no warning remains high.

"They also discussed North Korea's potential chemical weapons threat and deployment of weapons such as SCUD-type missiles which runs counter to the internationmal trend toward reducction of tension," the communique said.

Both sides expressed concern about Pyongyang's refusal to place its nuclear program under International Atomic Energy Agency safeguards.

Mr. Cheney again pledged that Washington would give prompt and effective help to repel any external armed attack against South Korea in line with the two countries' 1954 mutual defense treaty.

"The U.S. nuclear umbrella will continue to provide additional security" to the South, he added.

Both sides also reiterated that joint military exercises such as the annual Team Spirit were important to maintain deterrence and represented no threat to any third party.

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#90319d2230 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) - Embarrassed World Bank officials said Thursday that

the United States and Japan had effectively blocked a 450-million-dollar loan package for Brazil.

The officials, who asked not to be identified, said Washington and Tokyo had insisted that Brazil pay at least some of the eight billion dollars it owed in interest to commercial banks before the World Bank resumed assistance.

Earlier Thursday the bank erroneously announced approval of the 450 million dollar loan package to inject funds for credit into Brazil's private sector and finance scientific and technological research.

Later officials had to ask new organizations to kill the story because it was not true.

Subsequent interviews of officials, who declined to be identified, said the loan was blocked at the last minute when Japan raised objections. The United States, said the officials, supported Japan's objection.

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#90319d6450 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 15) - October sales of 26 department stores, a major barometer of Japanese consumer spending, rose 7.1 percent from a year earlier to 249 billion yen (1.9 billion dollars), the Japan Department Stores Association said Thursday.

Association officials attributed the sluggish October increase to poor sales of autumn clothes due to the warm weather.

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#90319d6930 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 15) - Japan's Mazda Motor Corp. said Thursday its net profit rose 6.9 percent from a year earlier to 10.8 billion yen (78 million dollars) in the six months to September, mainly due to booming domestic sales.

The major carmaker, affiliated with Ford Motor Co. of the United States, said sales advanced 10.3 percent to 1,111 billion yen (8.1 billion dollars).

Domestic sales jumped 15.1 percent to 474 billion yen (3.4 billion dollars) while exports grew seven percent to 637 billion yen (4.6 billion dollars.

By volume, sales grew 11.6 percent to 730,587 vehicles with domestic sales jumping 19.2 percent to 311,510 and exports rising 6.6 percent to 419,077 units.

The company attributed the growth in domestic sales to increased demand, the introduction of new models and active marketing efforts during the period which

saw the number of Mazda sales networks boosted from three to five.

Mazda said slower export growth partly reflected increased local production abroad. The performance in the North American market was particularly poor, with sales volume falling by almost 12 percent. European sales jumped by almost 30 percent and sales in Southeast Asia were also active, it said.

Overall sales of passenger cars jumped 12.5 percent to 563,343 units while sales of commercial vehicles climbed 8.7 percent to 167,244 units.

By value, car sales jumped 17.1 percent to 626 billion yen (4.5 billion dollars) while sales of commercial vehicles rose 13.7 percent to 145 billion yen (1.1 billion dollars), the company said.

Sales of parts for overseas production fell 4.4 percent to 97 billion yen (703 million dollars) but sales of other parts climbed 29.6 percent to 149 billion yen (1.1 billion dollars). Sales of other products plunged 26.9 percent to 94 billion yen (681 million dollars).

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#90319d6940 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 15) - French consumer prices rose 0.5 percent in October, keeping annual inflation at 3.8 percent, according to provisional figures released Thursday.

Prices have risen 3.6 percent since the start of the year.

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#90319d7010 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bonn (NOV. 15) - The economy of western Germany, rising at a four percent rate this year, will remain robust in 1991, with the gross national product growing by three percent, a panel of leading economists told Bonn on Thursday.

The five-member economic advisory panel, in its autumn report to Chancellor Helmut Kohl, did not venture a prediction about the overall German economic performance combining western Germany and the former East Germany.

It only predicted that the economy in eastern Germany will keep sliding until bottoming-out in mid-1991. After that, a gradual economic rise will set in, the 500-page report said.

The panel of economists - dubbed the ''Five Wise Men'' -forecast a 3.5 per cent inflation rate for western Germany. The rate will be somewhat higher in the former East Germany.

In the labour market, unemployment in western Germany will remain steady at

around 1.9 million. In eastern Germany, joblessness will rise to some two million unemployed and 1.1 million people on reduced work shifts in the second half of 1991.

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#90319d7090 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 15) - Japan's Nissan Motor Co. Ltd. forecast Thursday that its imports would surge 45 percent from last year to 763 million dollars this year surpassing an import target two years ahead of schedule.

The company, Japan's second-biggest carmaker, said its "international cooperation program" announced a year ago initially planned to double imports over a four-year period to 740 million dollars by the end of March in 1993.

"However, through the stepped-up efforts to expand imports of parts, materials and finished vehicles, it is now certain that the amount of the company's imports will exceed this figure in the current fiscal year.

"Imports from the United States showed a great increase," Nissan said, adding that it hoped to double overall imports again by the late 1990's.

The company said its main imports were catalytic converters, wheels, tyres, audio speakers and safety devices in addition to Passats made by German carmaker Volkswagen for sale in Japan.

The program announced last year seeks to reduce exports and expand production overseas as well as boost imports.

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#90319d7130 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 15) - Five Japanese banks have extended a 400 million dollar loan to Vnesheconombank of the Soviet Union to meet overdue import bills and to finance new purchases of steel pipes to boost oil output, news reports said Thursday.

The unidentified banks extended the five-year loan after seeking repayment guarantees from Japanese trading companies, the reports said. Further details were not available except that repayments will be made over 10 installments.

The Nihon Kezai Shimbun said the loan enabled Soviet interests to order 105,000 tonnes of seamless steel pipes and 80,000 tonnes of large-diameter steel pipes for delivery between January and June.

Soviet importers fell sharply behind in meeting bills to Japanese trading companies earlier this year. The backlog peaked at 500 million dollars at one stage, industry sources said, prompting Japanese firms to sound tough warnings.

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#90319d7140 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR (NOV. 15) - Malaysia's total palm oil stocks fell 3.93 per cent to 900,934 tons in October from September, the palm Oil Registration and Licensing Authority (PORLA) said Thursday.

PORLA said crude palm oil stocks fell 5.56 per cent to 561,394 tons while processed palm oil stocks were 1.11 per cent lower at 339,540 tons.

Malaysia produced 572,726 tons of crude palm oil in October, down 9.76 per cent from 634,662 tons in September.

Palm oil exports rose 5.19 per cent to 535,269 tons in October from 508,848 tons in September.

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#90319d7150 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
STUTTGART (NOV. 15) - Daimler-Benz, Germany's largest corporation, said here Thursday its net earnings in the first nine months of 1990 reached 1.32 billion marks (897 million dollars), up slightly on 1.27 billion marks in the same period last year.

The company said increased automobile sales helped to counterbalance problems in other areas.

Daimler-Benz said its nine-month turnover reached nearly 60.8 billion marks, up six percent on the 57.5 billion marks in the corresponding 1989 period.

The automotive division Mercedes-Benz accounted for 70 percent of the turnover with 14 percent contributed by the electronics division Aeg, 12 percent by the aerospace unit Deutsche Aerospace, and 4 percent by the new services company, Debis.

The company said the weak dollar and yen had clearly hurt its earnings, and warned that any further decline in the dollar would influence the competitive position of German-made products.

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#90319d7160 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (NOV. 15) - The Philippines plans to import rice for the third straight year in 1991 but hopes to become self-sufficient again in 1992, the agriculture department said Thursday.

"There's no shortage actually, only a tight supply brought about by calamities

" department spokesman Noel Reyes said.

He said the Philippines was negotiating to import up to 300,000 tons from the United States but some could be bought from nearby countries if Washington refused to provide it all free.

"It would be cheaper to buy from Thailand and Vietnam," he added.

Mr. Reyes said Philippine production would be sufficient to meet requirements but a considerable sum is lost yearly because of drought, floods and other problems.

He said the country's paddy production totalled 9.46 million tons in 1989 and "we hope to reach 9.7 or 9.8 (million tons) in 1990."

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#90319d7180 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (NOV. 15) - The Australian airline Qantas announced Thursday net profits of 12.1 million dollars (9.3 million U.S.) for the year to June 30, down sharply from 176.8 million dollars (136 million U.S.) the previous year.

Qantas chairman Bill Dix said the most significant factor behind the slump was last year's strike by domestic airline pilots, which deterred visitors from Japan, Germany and the United States.

He also blamed a 27 percent increase in fuel prices during the 12 months and forecast profits would be even worse hit this year because of the Gulf crisis, which has pushed fuel costs up by 60 percent since July 1.

State-owned Qantas' revenue for the year came to 3.6 billion dollars (2.8 billion U.S.), Mr. Dix said.

Company directors recommended no payment to the government, compared with last year's pay out of 31.5 million dollars (24 million U.S.).

Domestic carriers Australian Airlines and Ansett were crippled when some 1,500 pilots resigned in August in an attempt to break the country's central wage-fixing system.

Qantas's net profit included abnormal items of 107.3 million dollars (82.5 million U.S.), primarily related to amortisation of profits on aircraft sale-leaseback transactions, Mr. Dix said.

In the coming 18 months, Qantas planned to sell five old Boeing 747s, bringing to nine the number of aircraft on sale, he added.

The company planned to axe 500 jobs in the coming months and possibly reduce

staff levels even further, Mr. Dix said.

Qantas had withdrawn services to Amsterdam, Athens, Bahrain and Bombay and a further reduction was to be achieved through flight rationalisation but details were not yet available.

Mr. Dix said Qantas welcomed the government's decision - approved by a special conference on the ruling Labor Party in September - to sell 49 per- cent of the airline to the private sector.

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#90319d7240 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (NOV. 15) - Rupert Murdoch's News Corp., which is pleading for a rescheduling of its debts, reported Thursday a 31.3 percent dive in net profit to 25.9 million dollars (20 million U.S.) for the first quarter.

The after-tax result exceeded the most pessimistic market forecasts of 40 million dollars to 50 million dollars and compared with a 37.6 million dollar (29 million U.S.) profit for the previous three months to September 30.

However, abnormal gains of 29 million dollars (22.2 million U.S.) through foreign exchange trading lifted the bottom line to a 54.7 million dollar (42 million U.S.) profit -- 45.4 percent higher than the corresponding period in 1989-90.

Mr. Murdoch's media giant wants bankers to roll much of its estimated 10 billion dollar (7.7 billion U.S.) debt.

He was scheduled to meet Friday with representatives of Midland and other European lenders in London.

The company aims to reduce its debt levels through increased cash flow from better trading performances and sell non-core assets.

A sharp climb in interest costs in the latest quarter to 304.7 million dollars (234 million U.S.) from 236 million dollars (182 million U.S.) a year earlier emphasised the urgency of the talks.

Sky Television's steep expenses plunged British operations into a 20.9 million dollar (16 million U.S.) loss for the period, but News Corp. said it expected to return the division to profitability for the rest of the current year following the agreed merger with British Satellite Broadcasting.

Under the deal, the two satellite broadcasting rivals will join forces under the banner of a new joint venture company British Sky Broadcasting, to be owned equally by News Corp. and the former BSB major shareholders.

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#90319d7290 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 15) - The United States is blocking the sale to Vietnam of two Airbus airliners, well-informed sources said Thursday.

COCOM, the organization charged with monitoring the sale of sensitive technologies to Eastern bloc and other countries, has agreed to the sale of the two Airbus planes before next summer.

But the sources said Washington has invoked its embargo against Vietnam to block the sale because the European-built planes have American components in their engines. The embargo contains clauses pertaining to the re-exportation of U.S.-made material.

The national Vietnamese airlines, Hang Khong Vietnam, had ordered at the start of this year two Airbus planes as well as two French-Italian ATR-72 craft. The last two planes have already been delivered.

The Airbus are equipped either with motors that are built half by the French firm SNECMA and the U.S. firm General Electric, or built half by the British firm Rolls Royce and the U.S. firm Pratt and Whitney.

When high-technology material exported to Vietnam contains 10 per cent of U.S.-built components, Washington demands the right to investigate the deal. One expert said U.S. officials "put pressure on the firms".

According to the sources, the embargo is tied to Vietnam's occupation of Cambodia and a settlement to the Cambodian conflict.

Similar embargos that go beyond COCOM restrictions are also in effect against Cuba, North Korea and Cambodia.

The COCOM regulations are starting to ease now following the reforms that swept through Eastern Europe last year. The Soviet Union, for example, has been able to purchase five Airbus airliners without U.S. opposition.

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#90319d7300 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (NOV. 15) - Oil producers want crude prices to settle at about 21 dollars a barrel once the Gulf crisis is settled, Indonesian Mines and Energy Minister Ginandjar Kartasasmita said here Thursday.

Mr. Kartasasmita, attending a regional energy conference, said: "I do not agree with the predictions that prices will fall very low once the crisis is over because we are determined to maintain stability."

He said the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), of which Indonesia is the only Asian member, "is not for a too low price, and it is not also for too high prices.

"We are determined to maintain a stable and reasonable level ... around 21 dollars a barrel, that is acceptable to us, to everybody."

Prices were below 20 dollars a barrel before Iraq seized Kuwait on August 2 and now range between 30 and 35 dollars a barrel after fluctuating wildly in the aftermath of the invasion.

Mr. Kartasasmita said industrial nations were partly to blame for rising oil prices because of stockpiles beyond the normal 90 days of consumption.

"They go to the market and they beef up their stocks. By doing so, they are competing with the developing countries and drive prices up," he said. "They are holding more than 90 days ... they could release their stocks safely."

On regional issues, Mr. Kartasasmita said the Philippines and Thailand would have priority in buying excess Indonesian production under the petroleum security agreement of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), under which ASEAN oil producers would aid other members in a crunch.

ASEAN groups Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand. The first three are oil producers while Singapore is a major oil refiner.

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#90319d7400 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bangkok (NOV. 15) - Cambodia officially inaugurated its first satellite link with the western world, Radio Phnom Penh said Thursday.

''The posts and telecommunications department on 14 November organized a ceremony to inaugurate the Vista earth satellite station, built with the cooperation of the Australian government's Otc international,'' the radio said in a broadcast monitored here.

Australia's Overseas Telecommunications Corp International (Otci), a government enterprise, has pioneered telecommunications in Vietnam, Laos and now war-torn Cambodia.

Otci sources claim they have taken a long-term approach to these cash-poor countries, setting up joint ventures and operating their systems on a turn-key basis.

Industry sources note that telecommunications has been one of the first sectors to take off in Indochina, partly because foreign exchange can be earned

abroad, especially on long-distance calls from western countries.

''This is only the first stage of the agreement,'' the report said. ''The next phase is the construction of a network of 5,000 telephone and telgraphic lines.''

The Vista satellite will allow overseas telephone calls via Australia, the first such link with the western world.

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#90319d7410 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Lusaka (NOV. 15) - Zambia Consolidated Copper Mines (Zccm) lost 564 tons of copper output worth 1.7 million dollars due to strikes at its Nchanga division in Chingola, it was reported here.

The Daily Mail cited a Zccm spokesman Thursday as saying that the value was based ''on last week's ruling copper prices on the London Metal Exchange.

''Of this, 240 tons was finished copper production and 324 tons were copper concentrates,'' the spokesman said.

Mines in various parts of Zambia's copperbelt have been hit by strikes during the past two weeks, involving some 3,600 miners.

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#90319d7420 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 15) - The very different and tougher European car market will be much harder than the U.S. market for Japanese manufacturers to conquer, according to the managing director of Toyota Motor Corp.

"I don't think the same thing will happen as you are seeing in the U.S. because the background is completely different ... the European market is not easy for us," explained Junji Numata, who also heads the company's European concerns.

In the United States the Japanese were competing in different car categories, he said in an interview here. "Americans are only making big cars, but historically they don't have the background to do small cars."

"Fortunately and because of energy problems" U.S. customers began to turn towards smaller cars to the advantage of the Japanese, who now control 30 per cent of the market, almost one third of which belongs to Toyota.

"But in Europe you have the main producers of the small cars," explained Mr. Numata, which will mean the Japanese will have to compete in the same markets.

From its current 2.5 percent share of the West European market, Toyota, the world's third largest car manufacturer, expects to expand to only three per cent by the end of the 1990s, he said.

The vast potential in Europe makes it the next target for Toyota which projects annual sales figures of 20 million cars in the whole of Europe by the end of the decade.

But with challenges like safety, energy consumption and enviromental concerns, "car manufacturers and parts suppliers can not just sleep," he added.

But European manufacturers have several weak points in contrast to their Japanese counterparts including "product development, a really long real time of producing new models, no sound management, labour relations," Mr. Numata said.

While they were "working very hard" to improve production efficiency and were becoming competitive there was still room for improvement, he said.

But "big European carmakers are now strengthening their capibilities both in product developement and in production and many are updating their production facilities," he said, adding that every day the gap between them and Japanese producers was narrowing.

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#90319d7490 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (NOV. 15) - Westpac Banking Corp., Australia's largest bank, announced Thursday a 39.3 net profit slump to 486 million Australian dollars (374 million U.S.) due to a more than doubling of bad loans.

The bank said that after an abnormal gain of 198 million dollars (152 million U.S.) from the staff pension fund, net profit for the year to September 30 came to 684 million dollars (526 million U.S.), for a fall of 14.6 percent.

Chairman Sir Eric Neal blamed the profit slide, from 801 million dollars (616 million U.S.), on Canberra's tight monetary policy and Australia's economic slump.

High interest rates had helped trigger corporate failures, boosting bad and doubtful debts 105 percent to 1.2 billion dollars (890 million U.S.), he said, adding that the bank's liberal lending policies had added to the problem.

Managing Director Stuart Fowler said profit for the first half was hurt by large corporate failures and narrow interest rate margins.

In the second half, business activity fell and unemployment rose, he said. "Bad debts increased as medium-sized commercial customers and small businesses

failed. The level of bankruptcies is now running at record levels."

The profit "was achieved in a year that has placed great pressure on all financial institutions in Australia and indeed a number of banks -- old and new -- have recorded operating losses, some of great magnitude," he said.

Many new foreign banks here lost million of dollars last year while Australia's other major banks have all increased bad and doubtful debt provisions at the expense of profits.

"Clearly we are expecting a better profit next year. (But) the agriculture sector will undoubtedly be a concern for farmers and us," Mr. Fowler said, citing wool and wheat growers as vulnerable clients.

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#90319d7680 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN (NOV. 15) - The manufacturing and mining sector in western Germany, reflecting the economic boom, achieved a turnover volume of 1.3 trillion marks (884 billion dollars) in the first nine months of 1990, up 6.6 percent on the same period last year.

The Federal Office of Statistics in its report here Thursday said the robust performance had also spurred employment in western Germany. In the first nine months, there was an increase of 197,000 jobs, up 2.7 percent, in manufacturing and mining.

Leading the field were the food and luxury items sector, where there was a 4.3 percent increase in jobs, followed by the investment goods industry, where employment rose 3.4 percent.

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#90319d7700 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAS VEGAS, Nevada (NOV. 15) - Four Greenpeace activists, three of them British women, were arrested after they disrupted testing of a British nuclear bomb in the Nevada desert minutes before it was to have exploded, The Washington Post reported Thursday.

Department of Energy spokeswoman Janet Fogg said the four were arrested and would be charged with trespassing, according to the Post.

A Greenpeace spokeswoman identified the four as Juley Howard, 23, Jane Gregory 27, and Lorna Richardson, 25, all of London, and Michael Perry, 27, an American with the Rocky Mountain Peace Center.

The underground test at the desert site, 170 kilometers (105 miles) northwest of Las Vegas, was delayed nearly two hours Wednesday after the small group was

spotted by video cameras trained on the ground surface directly above the weapon, seven minutes before the bomb was set to go off.

Technical difficulties had already delayed detonation of the bomb several times.

After the protesters were removed, the weapon was set off. It released no radioactivity, according to the energy department spokeswoman.

The weapon was buried 600 meters (1,900 feet) underground in a shaft filled by concrete. Experts said the upward force of the blast was strong enough to break the legs of anyone standing on the ground directly above it.

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#90319d7770 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 15) - Australia is urgently probing a Japanese discovery that beef imported from the country contained traces of antibiotics banned by Kanegawa prefecture near Tokyo, the Australian embassy said Thursday.

"Authorities are urgently undertaking an investigation of the feedlot in question to ascertain the cause of the residues," Australian embassy agricultural counsellor Bruce Gosper said in a statement.

"Additional procedures to the existing monitoring program have now been put in place to ensure that all beef from this feedlot is tested for antibiotic residue before it is exported," Mr. Gosper said.

"Any beef containing any antibiotic residue will be rejected for export."

The announcement follows claims by Kanegewa authorities that they had found traces of the antibiotic dihydrostreptomycin as well as a penicillin compound in beef from Australia and the northern Japanese island of Hokkaido.

The first antibiotic can impair hearing while the penicillin compound is used as an anaesthetic. Traces of a third antibiotic were also found in chicken meat imported from China, Kanegawa officials said.

Mr. Gosper said programs to test for antibiotics had been in place in Australia for several years.

"These programs, together with the measures put in place to deal with this incident and concerns in Japan, have been explained to the ministry of health and welfare," he said.

The statement said the use of antibiotics to treat livestock in Australia was subject to strict laws and extensive monitoring.

"Our monitoring program shows that the misuse of antibiotics in Australia is extremely low and compares favourably with those in other beef-producing countries," it said.

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#90319d7880 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manama (NOV. 15) - A conference of Arab interior ministers, scheduled to be held in Bahrain on December 1-3, has been postponed because of the Gulf crisis it was reported here Thursday.

The Bahrain daily Al Ayam said no new date has been set yet for the conference which was supposed to discuss ways of combating terrorism and achieving peace and stability in the Arab world and draw up a plan to confront the problem of drugs.

The reason for the postponement of the meeting was ''the current situation in the Arab arena arising from the treacherous Iraqi invasion of the state of Kuwait'', it said.

In the meantime, Saudi Arabia's Interior Minister, Prince Nayef bin Abdul Aziz has said the Iraqi aggression against Kuwait cannot continue and underlined the need for the oil emirate to return as ''a free and independent state'' led by exiled Emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah.

Addressing members of the Mecca Cultural Club in Mecca Wednesday night, Nayef said his country was capable of defending itself against any external threat.

He expressed regret over the failure of all peace efforts to solve the Gulf crisis and blamed what he called Iraq's ''stubbornness'' for this.

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#90319d7950 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 15) - Japan's crude steel production rose 4.1 percent from a year earlier to 9.817 million tonnes in October, the Japan Iron and Steel Federation said Thursday.

It represented the third straight monthly increase on a year-on-year basis, the federation said.

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#90319d7990 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 15) - Britain's unemployment rate rose to six percent of the work force last month from 5.9 percent the previous month, totalling 1.7027 million, the Labour Ministry announced Thursday.

An additional 32,000 people became unemployed in October, according to the ministry, 9,000 more than analysts had expected.

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#90319d8010 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 15) - The Chinese Foreign Ministry on Thursday would not confirm reports that it would veto a United Nations Security Council resolution backing the use of force to dislodge Iraq from Kuwait.

Following Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen's meeting with Iraqi leaders earlier this week, the international media had quoted diplomatic sources as saying China would veto such a measure.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Li Jinhua said Thursday, ''As far as I know, Foreign Minister Qian didn't talk about this matter during his visit to Iraq.''

The U.S., whose troops form the largest contingent in the international force arrayed against Baghdad, has been seeking support for a resolution approving the use of force.

China, one of the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, has supported all of the U.N. resolutions on the Gulf crisis but has spoke out against a military solution.

In talks here with Argentine President Carlos Menem Thursday, China's head of state Yang Shangkun reiterated China's position that the Gulf crisis should be ''resolved politically and peacefully''.

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#90319d8050 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 15) - A joint working group set up by the South African government and the African National Congress on the ANC's decision to suspend its guerilla war has completed its report, the press said here Thursday.

ANC spokesman Joel Netshitenzhe told the Business Day newspaper the report had been finished after "months of delays" and was being considered by the leadership of the two sides.

The working group (JWG) was appointed under a historic accord reached between the government and the ANC on August 6 -- known as the Pretoria Minute -- aimed at thrashing out details of the ANC's decision to suspend its 29-year guerilla war against the government.

Business Day said although the report may still be modified by either side and possibly referred back to the JWG, the fact that it had been prepared

indicated that significant progress had been made in resolving difficult issues such as ANC arms caches.

Other matters where progress had been made, the newspaper said, were recruitment inside South Africa by the ANC's military wing, Umkhonto We Sizwe (MK), and the enforcing of the suspension of the guerilla war.

Under the Pretoria Minute, the JWG was to report some two months ago but was delayed by the government's refusal to renew the indemnity from prosecution of Chris Hani, the leader of the ANC delegation on the JWG.

Mr. Hani, chief-of-staff of MK, was later granted indemnity by the government.

Meanwhile, a row has erupted over remarks made by Foreign Minister Pik Botha in London, where he reportedly said the ANC had agreed on August 6 to point out arms caches or to suspend mass action.

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#90319d8080 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 15) - Seven bus passengers were among 25 people killed in the violence-prone north Indian state of Punjab, the United News of India news agency reported Thursday.

It said suspected Sikh terrorists stopped an inter-district bus Wednesday, pulled out seven people and shot them dead. The bus was on its way to Ferozpur from Dharamkot area.

Uni said the militants later set fire to the vehicle before fleeing from the scene. The agency did not say how many more passengers were in the ill-fated bus.

The other deaths occurred in encounters between the security forces and the militants in other parts of the Indian border state that faces Pakistan.

According to Indian newspapers, there has been stepped-up militant activity during the past two months in the state with an average of more than 20 people being killed each day.

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#90319d8150 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 15) - The prestigious Jawaharlal Nehru Award for international understanding is to be given to President Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe, it was announced Thursday.

An official announcement said the award for the year 1989 had been conferred on Mugabe for his commitment to the cause of freedom. Officials did not

indicate when the award would be presented.

Previous winners of the award include South African anti-apartheid leader Nelson Mandela, U.N. Secretary-General Perez de Cueller, Plo leader Yassir Arafat and late Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme.

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#90319d8180 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 15) - Chinese Prime Minister Li Peng and Indonesian President Suharto called here Thursday for the setting up of a supreme Cambodian national council ''under the chairmanship of Prince Sihanouk''.

The formation of the council should be given ''top priority'', the two leaders agreed at their nearly three-hour meeting, according to the Chinese news agency Xinhua.

Thai Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhaven, who is also in Beijing, supported the call. China and Thailand would ''work together towards this objective'', Chatichai was quoted as saying.

During a two-day visit here parallel to Suharto's, the Thai premier has conferred with Chinese head of state Yang Shangkun Yang and Li Peng and the Cambodian prince who is currently staying at his Beijing residence.

Suharto and Li Peng agreed that other issues, such as the vice-chairmanship of the council and the enlarging of its membership should be ''discussed and decided'' by the council itself under Sihanouk.

The rival Cambodian parties have agreed on the creation of a national council as a transitional government, but its exact composition is the key obstacle to progress in Cambodian peace talks.

The Cambodian issue is one of the main topics of Suharto's talks here. He will also be meeting with Sihanouk. From Beijing the Indonesian president is to due to travel to Vietnam.

Cambodia was at the centre, too, of talks here Thursday between Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas and his Chinese counterpart, Qian Qichen.

Li Peng told Suharto that the recent normalisation of relations between China and Indonesia and the establishment of diplomatic relations between Beijing and Singapore would have a ''very positive impact on solving regional conflicts, the maintenance of peace and stability, and a political solution to the Cambodia problem in particular'', Xinhua said.

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#90319d8250 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (NOV. 15) - Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Belonogov arrived here Thursday from Yemen and was to meet senior Egyptian officials on the situation in the Gulf, official sources reported.

Before leaving Sanaa, Mr. Belonogov stressed that Moscow continued to hold that "Arab action can lead to a peaceful solution in the Gulf and secure regional stability."

Another Soviet deputy foreign minister, Vladimir Petrovsky, said in Rabat earlier Thursday that the Soviet Union supported a recent call for an emergency Arab summit on the Gulf by King Hassan II.

Mr. Belonogov is to travel on to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates after a 24-hour visit here.

The Soviet Union strongly criticized the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2 and has supported international sanctions against Baghdad.

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#90319d8320 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 15) - Japan's Mitsui Real Estate Development Co. Ltd. said Thursday its net profit rose 8.7 percent from a year earlier to 15 billion yen (110 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, the country's biggest real-estate firm, said revenue grew 8.7 percent to 293 billion yen (2.1 billion dollars) in the same period. The increase reflected improved sales of houses and residential lots and higher revenue from leasing office buildings, the company said.

For the year to March, the company forecast a net profit of 32 billion yen (232 million dollars) on sales of 710 billion yen (5.2 billion dollars).

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#90319d8360 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMSTERDAM (NOV. 15) - A group of 26 Irish nationals and a Dutchman working at an Irish hospital in Baghdad are to be allowed out of Iraq, the father of the Dutch hostage said here Thursday.

Douwe Wouters, a clergyman who chairs a committee set up by relatives of Dutch hostages, said his son Siego telephoned him from Iraq and said the group would travel to Jordan later in the day and on to the German city of Frankfurt on Friday.

A total of 155 Dutch nationals remain in Iraq and Kuwait. About 100 of them are employees of two dredging companies working in southern Iraq.

Former West German chancellor Willy Brandt brought back 10 Dutch nationals along with Germans and other Western nationals last week following a visit to Baghdad, while one Dutch hostage returned home of his own accord after obtaining an exit visa from Iraqi authorities.

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#90319d8660 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 15) - The German government and opposition Thursday urged in parliament here every effort to find a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

They also insisted on priority being given to the unconditional release of hostages held in Iraq.

In a 90-minute debate on the Gulf, Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher and elder statesman of the opposition Social Democrats (Spd), Willy Brandt, agreed that firmness in the crisis should be no excuse for political and humanitarian inactivity.

Genscher stressed that the release of foreigners and withdrawal from Kuwait were an Iraqi ''duty''. The world had to use every means for securing a peaceful solution, but it should pay no premium for Baghdad's aggression.

Only after withdrawal from Kuwait would the time come to think about new stable structures in the Middle East, whereby oil-producing countries could wisely invest their wealth.

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#90319d8910 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 15) - The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics will become the Union of Sovereign Republics (USR) and be headed by a president and vice-president elected by universal suffrage, according to a draft project of the new union treaty obtained by AFP.

The 24-article treaty affirms the sovereignty of the republics on their territory, adding that these "sovereign-states" will have a "constitutional tribunal" to arbitrate in disputes between them or between them and the centre.

Provisions will be made for the republics -- the number of which is not specified -- to secede from the union or be excluded if they "systematically break the treaty's provisions".

Lithuania -- one of the 15 Soviet republics -- which has already declared independence, has made clear it will not sign the draft treaty.

The draft text, expected to be submitted to the federal Supreme Soviet next

week, concentrates on defining the rights and duties of the federal state, whose official language will remain Russian.

The federal state will be responsible for any changes to the federal constitution and will guarantee the rights and freedoms of citizens, by mutual agreement with the republics, the draft says.

But the federal state alone will be responsible for "defence of the borders, state security, national defence involving the use of armed forces, border troops, and special Interior Ministry troops".

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#90319d9000 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 15) - Drought-affected South African farmers have begun praying for rain while some have made preparations to leave the land following massive crop failures, agricultural authorities said Thursday.

Economists, meanwhile, estimate that predicted wheat and maize imports to make up for the expected shortfall may cost the country about 500 million rands (195 million dollars).

The worst-affected areas are the maize and wheat belts of Orange Free State (OFS) and Transvaal provinces where the usual spring rains have failed to materialise, leaving farmers unable to plough or to plant.

A crisis meeting to discuss the drought on Wednesday, called in the OFS town of Kroonstad, heard farmers tell how increasing production costs, low profit margins and the drought was forcing them off the land.

Searing temperatures and freak windstorms which had damaged crops were for many the last straw.

According to press reports here, the meeting was opened by a minister who prayed: "Lord, we have our backs to the wall and are down and out. Let it rain."

The government has become increasingly unwilling to bail out unproductive white farmers and a drought-aid package of 60 million rands (23.5 million dollars) to distressed farmers announced this week was described at the meeting as a "drop in the ocean".

This year's wheat crop is expected to total two million tons, which means that to meet local demand at least another 300,000 tons will have to be imported at a cost of about 150 million rands (58.5 million dollars).

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#90319d9060 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (NOV. 15) - Pakistani Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif said Thursday that Iraq should withdraw from Kuwait to end the Gulf crisis.

"It is imperative for Iraq to withdraw," Mr. Sharif said during a meeting with the Kuwaiti ambassador, Qasim Omer Al-Yaqub, according to an official statement.

The ambassador thanked Pakistan for it's support to the people and government of Kuwait following Iraq's August 2 invasion, the statement said.

Pakistan has contributed a contingent of troops to the multi-national forces assembled in Saudi Arabia.

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#90319d9200 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 15) - A group of 170 Bulgarians, including nine who had lived in Kuwait, left here for Sofia on Thursday aboard an Iraqi Airways Boeing 707, airport sources said.

With their departure, some 500 of their countrymen remain in Iraq and are to be repatriated in the next few days, a spokesman for the Bulgarian embassy said here.

He said contacts were underway with Iraqi authorities for the return of other Bulgarians.

The release of all Bulgarian nationals trapped in Iraq was approved November 3 by President Saddam Hussein.

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#90319d9260 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FRANKFURT, Germany (NOV. 15) - Lufthansa, the German national carrier, said Thursday it was to start operating flights between Frankfurt and Windhoek in a joint venture with the Nambian airline Namib Air.

Flights on Boeing 747s will be available Wednesday and Friday, Lufthansa said.

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#90319d9270 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Brussels (NOV. 15) - The European Community, under fire for its farm subsidy cut proposal in the ''Uruguay Round'' of world trade talks, stressed Thursday it hopes for a successful conclusion of the talks in Brussels next month.

In a statement issued by the E.C. Council of Ministers, the Community said the

General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) negotiations opposed a cancellation or postponement of the final conference when a new trade treaty is to be signed.

''The date for early December must be maintained so that the Uruguay Round can be brought to a successful conclusion,'' the E.C. said about the planned December 3-7 Gatt ministerial meeting at which the trade accord is to be finalised.

The statement follows on severe criticism from the United States and others among the some 100 Gatt participants of the E.C.'s proposal for only a 30 per cent cut in farm subsidies.

The U.S. and other food exporters are demanding a cut of 75 percent and more in order to remove what they see as competitive distortions caused by farm subsidies.

The issue is certain to be a major topic of discussion in Brussels on Friday when U.S. Secretary of State James Baker meets with the E.C. Commission, Brussels diplomatic sources said.

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#90319d9570 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (NOV. 15) - Several tens of thousands of people, shouting slogans against the government and communism, demonstrated here Thursday in response to a call from the opposition Civic Alliance.

Similar demonstrations were held in cities across Romania.

The protests were called to commemorate a 1987 workers' revolt in the city of Brasov, considered the first public protest against the former Ceausescu regime, but developed into anti-government protests.

In the capital, demonstrators met at Palace Square, where the late dictator Nicolae Ceausescu was shouted down by a crowd on December 21, 1989, before his downfall and subsequent execution.

Some demonstrators carrying Romanian flags shouted "Down with communism" and "Down with Iliescu," a reference to President Ion Iliescu.

The crowd included youths, students, workers and elderly people.

In Brasov, the November 15 Movement, which includes the Civic Alliance and veterans of the 1987 revolt, announced that it would "recreate the day of November 15, 1987".

In a radio and television address, Mr. Iliescu said economic reform underway

would improve living standards. "The ideals of the Brasov protestors in 1987 are becoming reality", he said.

The Brasov revolt began as a demonstration by more than 20,000 workers against the austerity policies of the Ceausescu regime and turned into a riot which resulted in the burning of the mayor's office and the local Communist Party headquarters.

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#90319d9630 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (NOV. 15) - Sweden had a trade deficit of 1.1 billion kronor (about 200 million dollars) in October on the basis of provisional data, the Central Statistics Office said here on Thursday.

That reduces the cumulative trade surplus since the start of the year to 12 billion kronor (2.16 billion dollars), the announcement said.

The October shortfall marks a sharp deterioration from the 100-million-kronor figure of the same month last year.

The Office noted that the increase in oil prices since the start of the Gulf crisis had depressed Swedish trade. If oil and maritime traffic were excluded from the accounts, it said, the trade balance actually showed a surplus of 1.3 billion kronor in October, the same as for October last year on the same basis.

October exports amounted to 32 billion kronor, and imports to 33.1 billion. For the first 10 months of the year, exports were up by three per cent and imports by four per cent, bringing the cumulative trade surplus down to 12 billion kronor against 15.6 billion for the same period last year.

The report on the trade deficit came a day after a report of a substantial balance-of-payments deficit for September, 4.4 billion kronor, making a total shortfall of 20.9 billion since the start of the year. That is almost double the total of 11 billion kronor for the first nine months of 1989.

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#90319d9720 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (NOV. 15) - The Swedish auto manufacturer Volvo suffered a loss of 193 million kronor (34.7 million dollars) in the nine months up to September after a profit of 6.1 billion kronor (1.1 billion dollars) in the same period last year, the company said Thursday.

Volvo's turnover dropped five per cent to 62.436 billion kronor (11.2 billion dollars), while profit before interest cost stood at 2.257 billion kronor (406 million dollars).

However, with commissions for restructuring costs totalling 2.450 billion kronor, the company's loss was reported at 193 million kronor.

Volvo decided to slow down its car output and axe 5,000 jobs by late 1991 due to tougher competition and slackening demand from July-September, executive director Christer Zetterberg said.

The company sold 284,000 cars during the nine months to September, 8.6 percent less than the same period last year, with losses heaviest in North America (down six percent), Britain (down 12) and the Scandinavian countries (down 13 percent, while sales to Japan rose substantially.

The auto branch reported a turnover of 30.088 billion kronor (5.48 billion dollars), down three percent, and trucks of 17.233 billion kronor (3.1 billion kronor, down four per cent.

Turnover for busses was 2.741 billion kronor (267 million dollars, up seven percent, for ship and industrial engines 2.169 billion kronor (391 million kronor, up two percent, and for aviation 1.480 billion kronor (267 million dollars), down eight percent.

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#90319d9810 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV 15) - East Germany's polluted environment should catch up with western German standards by the year 2000, Environment Minister Klaus Topfer said Thursday, as he unveiled a 10-year cleanup program that will require major investment.

Mr. Toepfer said the government had allocated 1.65 million Deutsche marks (1.12 billion dollars) this year to help clean the environment in the former German Democratic Republic, which he described as being in "a partially catastrophic state."

He did not detail proposed outlays for the rest of the programme.

The help had already reduced emissions of sulphur dioxide in east German territory this year by 10.5 percent, or 550,000 tonnes, compared with the 1989 figures, and output of dust by 300,000 tonnes, a fall of 13.5 percent, he said.

Mercury waste, dumped in the River Elbe, had been reduced by a tonne (four percent), and dumping of salts in the River Werra had been slashed by 750,000 tonnes (12 percent), he said.

Pointing to the size of the task facing the government, he said that, of the 16.6 million inhabitants of the five east German states, 9.6 million were drinking poor-quality water and six million breathing air whose sulphur dioxide concentrations were above the maximum allowed in former West Germany.

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#90319d9870 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 15) - A group of U.S. citizens and other Westerners authorized by Iraqi authorities to leave occupied Kuwait will be evacuated by charter flight to the United States via Baghdad on Sunday, diplomatic sources said here Thursday.

The flight, first of its kind to leave Kuwait since October 10, will be restricted to women, children under 18, and people of Arab origin.

Most of the evacuees will be U.S. citizens, but British, Canadian and other nationals will also be eligible within the limits of available capacity, the sources said.

After leaving Baghdad, the Iraqi Airways Boeing 707, which has a capacity of 160, is to stop over in London before continuing on to an unspecified destination in the United States, the sources said.

The new evacuees are mainly people authorized by Iraqi authorities to leave Kuwait in late August, but who preferred at the time to remain.

One diplomat said their change of mind indicated conditions for foreigners in Kuwait were deteriorating.

Baghdad continues to hold hostage some 3,000 Westerners, most of them American and British, as a deterrent against a military offensive.

A total of 2,300 U.S. citizens were evacuated from Kuwait aboard 10 flights over the past three months.

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#90319d9880 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Brussels (NOV. 15) - The European Community commission said here Thursday the situation of refugees from Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, who are scattered in several Middle Eastern camps, was under control.

About 710,000 refugees had passed through the camps, mainly in Jordan, since the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Some 5,000 remained in Jordanian refugee camps.

The commisssion said E.C. has financed the repatriation of 130,000 refugees, mainly Egyptians and Asians.

The volume of the community's humanitarian aid for Gulf refugees was about 100 million Ecu (136 million dollars), or 30 per cent of the international aid

package, it said. The aid programme would continue till the end of November.

About 8,000 Vietnamese refugees would leave camps in Turkey and be flown home during the coming days, the commission said.

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#90319d9890 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV 15) - European Economic Community (EEC) ministers, striking a conciliatory tone, said here Thursday that they were ready for serious trade negotiations.

Their statement followed a series of recent warnings from all sides in the Uruguay Round of trade talks that the negotiations were in trouble because of a refusal to compromise.

Italian Trade Minister Renato Ruggiero told journalists after a meeting of EEC trade ministers that they were ready for "serious and concrete" negotiations on trade liberalisation, particularly for agriculture.

In a statement, the ministers agreed on the need to respect the deadline for the four-year Uruguay Round, which is due to end at a week-long General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) conference here starting December 3.

Mr. Ruggiero said the EEC's controversial offer on cutting subsidies for farmers, made earlier this month, was not a "take it or leave it" proposal. But he added: "That does not mean that we have a big margin of manoeuvre."

The ministers said that while considerable difficulties were blocking "indispensable compromises", they had the political will for tough negotiations and counted on the same "constructive spirit" among others.

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#90319d9920 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 14) - Belgium's parliament Thursday decided to send a delegation to Iraq in order to secure the freedom of 32 Belgians held there since the outbreak of the Gulf crisis.

Party leaders in the coalition government agreed the delegation should include members of the senat and the parliament. Their mission would be only a humanitarian one.

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#90319d9980 11/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABOARD USS O'BRIEN (NOV. 15) - The flotilla of international warships enforcing U.N.-imposed economic sanctions against Baghdad have effectively

shut down all of Iraq's seaborne trade, the U.S. Navy's chief of naval operations said Thursday.

Admiral Frank Kelso II, speaking to reporters during a tour of the U.S. destroyer USS O'Brien, said the U.S.-dominated armada patrolling the waters around the Arabian peninsula had been "very effective in stopping seaborne traffic." "It appears to me that all seaborne traffic (to and from Iraq) has been stopped," he said.

Answering questions from sailors on the deck of the destroyer, Adm. Kelso added: "Whether (the embargo) works or not to the extent that everybody would like...that hasn't been seen yet."

The admiral, whose stop on the O'Brien was part of a tour U.S. warships and naval installations in the Gulf, said President George Bush's decision to send three additional aircraft carriers to the Gulf "adds considerably to naval capability to project power."

"We have fundamentally doubled the capabilities we had," he said. "You have doubled your firepower." With the arrival of three more aircraft carriers, the United States will have a total of six in the Gulf region.

Adm. Kelso refused to answer questions concerning a joint U.S.-Saudi exercise which began Thursday and is to include an amphibious landing on Saudi beaches south of Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. Iraq has said the exercise, dubbed "Imminent Thunder," is a "flagrant provocation."

Adm. Kelso told U.S. sailors and Coast Guard personnel on the forward deck of the O'Brien that "the American people appreciate what you are doing." "We are not going to put up with people taking other people's homes and land for their own gain," he said.

Asked by a sailor whether U.S. warships would return to their home ports after six months, the usual practice, Adm. Kelso said there "are going to be some pertubations in the schedule."

"You've got to look at this crisis as what it is - a crisis," he said. Officers said the O'Brien has made about 370 challenges to merchant ships since it arrived in the Gulf on September 1.

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#90319e0015 11/15/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

TUNIS (NOV 15) EFE - Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat said Thursday the Iraeli-Palestinian conflict was at the root of the current Gulf crisis.

Arafat made the statement in a speech, reported by the Palestinian news agency

WAFA, marking the second anniversary of his proclamation of an independent Palestinian state.

"Palestine and its cause are at the center of the international crisis in the Gulf ... everyone has begun to recognise that it is the base of all crises" in the region, he said.

Arafat, who has established a Palestinian government-in-exile in Tunisia, said the PLO's aim was "to end all conflicts in the zone and to press the international community to take the road to a just and global peace to avoid destructive war."

Since the Gulf crisis broke, Iraq's President Saddam Hussein has hinted a solution could be reached by linking Iraq's occupation of Kuwait with Israel's control of the Occupied Territories.

The PLO is one of the four members of the Arab League who voted against a resolution condemning Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Arafat on Thursday criticized the build up of the U.S.-led multinational forces in the Gulf which are considering a possible military strike against Iraq if it refuses to leave Kuwait.

"Those intending to attack Iraq, its power and its technological development have not limited themselves to that. They are starving the Iraqi people and its children to control its oil resources, oil prices and reserves," he said.

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#90319e0020 11/15/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Vienna (NOV. 15) EFE - The Romanian government security forces throughout the country to prepare for civil unrest Thursday in commemoration of a 1987 worker's revolt, Romanian news agency Rompress reported.

Trade unions have organized demonstrations against the National Salvation Front (NSF) government in at least a dozen Romanian cities in commemoration of a 1987 anti-communist workers' revolt in the city of Brasov.

The Interior Ministry has warned that protesters are preparing acts of provocation, Rompress said.

In November 1987, the workers of Brasov, 225 km north of Bucharest, launched a demonstration against harsh social conditions imposed by the communist regime of former dictator Nicolae Ceausescu.

Dozens were killed, hundreds arrested, and Brasov town hall was torched.

In Bucharest Thursday several hundred supporters of the opposition Free

Democrat party took to the streets to call for the removal President Ion Iliescu and his NSF government, which opposers have called a quasi-communist regime.

The government's forecast of civil disturbances comes a day after thousands of protesters in the city of Bacau, 250 km north of the capital, demonstrated against price rises and poverty.

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#90319e0033 11/15/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (NOV. 15) - Bank of Spain governor Mariano Rubio said Thursday that interest rates will not be lowered until "the current inflationary tensions clearly change".

Rubio said the central bank will make no decision on a possible expansion of credit until the end of this year, and that a restrictive monetary policy would continue to be necessary in 1991.

Despite the Bank of Spain's tight money policy, consumer prices rose 6.4 percent in the first ten months of this year, more than the government's January 1990 prediction of inflation for the whole year.

The interbank interest rate is over 14.6 percent.

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#90319e0034 11/15/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (NOV 15) EFE - Argentine Vice President Eduardo Duhalde predicted failure for a nationwide protest called for Thursday by the anti-government faction of the powerful Peronist trade union federation.

"People want to help the government to escape from the crisis, which is why the protest will not have the hoped-for participation," Duhalde said.

The Azopardo faction of the General Confederation of Labor (CGT) has called the protest to show opposition to the government's economic policies, especially the widespread privatization of state enterprises.

The event is to consist of rallies in several cities, including a demonstration planned for the Plaza de Mayo in front of the presidential palace in the capital at 3 p.m. (1700 GMT).

"I say that nowadays the Azopardo-CGT does not represent the people. We will see who is right," Duhalde said.

The CGT split in 1989 into the Azopardo faction, led by former CGT head Saul Ubaldini, and the CGT-San Martin, which supports President Carlos Menem.

The CGT has traditionally been tied to the Justicialist (Peronist) Party now led by Menem.

Ubaldini's CGT faction, which includes most state employee unions, has planned the rallies with the backing of the Communist Party, dissident Peronist legislators and center-left deputies.

Duhalde said Argentines backed the 13 general strikes carried out by the CGT during the 1983-1989 presidency of Raul Alfonsin, but would not support a protest now.

Protest organizers have scheduled the rallies for late afternoon to enable state workers to attend the demonstrations after work.

Menem has decreed tough limits on the right of public employees to strike.

On Tuesday, the 250,000-strong Metalworkers Union pulled out of the CGT-Azopardo group, arguing that workers should negotiate with the government instead of going ahead with the protest.

The privatization program, begun by Menem's 16-month-old government to reign in rampant inflation, is expected to put some 200,000 state workers out of work.

Unemployment is already at 17.9 per cent of the 12-million workforce.

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#90319e0058 11/15/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

DOLORES, ARGENTINA (NOV. 15) EFE - Thirty-seven Argentine prisoners and 16 prison officers were injured during a riot at a jail south of Buenos Aires, officials said Thursday.

The prison riot in the town of Dolores, 200 km from the capital, was sparked late Wednesday by the removal of three inmates to a solitary confinement block Buenos Aires prison service inspector Juan Carlos Gallol said.

About 50 inmates began shouting and banging their cell doors in protest, but the unrest appeared to have been headed off when prison governor Mario Echeverria promised to review the cases of the three inmates who had been confined for disciplinary reasons.

But Gallol said that as soon as the governor departed inmates took over the block, began breaking down cell doors and setting fire to their beds.

Echeverria ordered prison officers to quell the riot with rubber bullets and tear gas grenades, but inmates responded with a hail of metal objects.

The riot did not end until Thursday morning when inmates voluntarily returned to their cells.

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#90319f0403 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks	-	151,370,000 shares
1990 to date	-	35,125,841,300
Warrants	-	962,700
1990 to date	-	227,989,000

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#90319h0008 11/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LHASA (NOV. 14) XINHUA - CHINA'S FOURTH CENSUS REVEALED THAT THE TIBETAN POPULATION IN THE TIBET AUTONOMOUS REGION HAS INCREASED BY OVER 300,000 COMPARED TO THE FIGURE OF THE LAST CENSUS IN 1982.

THE CURRENT TIBETAN POPULATION OF OVER 2 MILLION (2,096,346) PEOPLE ACCOUNTS FOR 95.46 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL POPULATION IN THE AUTONOMOUS REGION, (WHICH IS 2,196,010). OF THE REMAINING 4.54 PERCENT, 3.70 PERCENT, 81,217 PEOPLE, ARE HANS WHILE VARIOUS ETHNIC MINORITY GROUPS COMPRISE THE OTHER 0.84 PERCENT, 18,447 PEOPLE.

ACCORDING TO STATISTICS, TIBETANS NOW ENJOY AN AVERAGE LIFE SPAN OF 65 YEARS, 30 YEARS LONGER THAN THAT BEFORE 1951. OF THE 101,496 ELDERLY PEOPLE HERE, THE OLDEST IS 118 YEARS OLD.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ECONOMY AND MEDICAL SERVICES HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE GROWTH OF THE TIBETAN POPULATION. HOWEVER, THE POPULATION GROWTH ALSO OWES A LOT TO CHINESE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT'S LOOSE POPULATION POLICY IN THIS REGION.

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#90319h0010 11/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HOHHOT (NOV. 15) XINHUA - SCIENTISTS FROM NANJING FORESTRY UNIVERSITY HAVE SUCCEEDED IN DEVELOPING HIGH-GRADE PULP MADE OF LARCH, ACCORDING TO AN APPRAISAL MEETING ORGANIZED BY THE CHINA PAPER-MAKING SOCIETY.

EXPERTS SAID THAT THE LARCH PULP IS AS STRONG AS THE AMERICAN PULP, AND CAN SERVE TO REDUCE THE DEMAND FOR IMPORTED PULP.

CHINA'S PAPER-MAKING INDUSTRY HAS LONG BEEN AFFECTED BY RAW MATERIAL SUPPLY SHORTAGES. THE PRODUCTION OF NEWSPRINT, PACKAGE PAPER AND HIGH-GRADE PAPER HAS ALWAYS BEEN DEPENDENT ON IMPORTED PULP.

THE INNER MONGOLIA AUTONOMOUS REGION PLANS TO BUILD A PLANT IN YAKEHI TO PRODUCE LARCH PULP.

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#90319h0015 11/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV. 15) XINHUA - THE PAKISTAN GOVERNMENT HAS RAISED THE PRICES OF OIL AND OIL PRODUCTS FOR DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION BY 41.5 PERCENT.

PAKISTAN HAS BEEN BADLY AFFECTED BY THE GULF CRISIS. IN AN ANNOUNCEMENT LAST NIGHT THE GOVERNMENT SAID THE DECISION OF INCREASING THE OIL PRICES HAS BEEN MADE BECAUSE OF THE SHARP ESCALATION OF 90 PERCENT IN PETROLEUM PRICES IN THE LAST THREE MONTHS IN THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET.

THE OIL PRICE SPIRAL RANGES FROM 29.7 PERCENT TO 50 PERCENT. BUT THE OVERALL INCREASE IS IN THE VICINITY OF 40 PERCENT.

THE OIL PRICES WERE REVISED UPWARD IN MARCH THIS YEAR BY ABOUT 16 PERCENT.

THE NEW PRICES TAKE EFFECT AS FROM TODAY. BUT IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE GOVERNMENT'S ANNOUNCEMENT, THE OPERATOR OF THE PETROL PUMPS TOLD THE VEHICLE OWNERS THAT THEY HAD NO OIL TO SELL.

IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (A MAJOR SOURCE OF FOREIGN AID TO PAKISTAN HAD ASKED PAKISTAN TWO MONTHS BEFORE TO INCREASE THE OIL PRICES BY 40 PERCENT AS A CONDITION FOR FURTHER LOANS. BUT THE INCREASE HAD BEEN DELAYED BY THE THEN CARETAKER GOVERNMENT INDULGING IN PREPARING THE OCTOBER GENERAL ELECTIMNS.

ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL ESTIMATES, THE COUNTRY IS TO LOSE TWO BILLION U.S. DOLLARS THIS YEAR AS A RESULT OF THE INCREASE OF OIL PRICES, THE SHARP DECREASE OF REMITTANCES FROM PAKISTANIS IN THE GULF AND REDUCTION OF TRADE WITH GULF COUNTRIES.

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#90319h0053 11/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

COLOMBO (NOV. 15) XINHUA - THE SRI LANKAN GOVERNMENT IS TO SET UP A TOURISM TRAINING INSTITUTE ON INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS WITH A VIEW TO PROVIDING MORE JOB OPPORTUNITIES TO THE COUNTRY'S YOUTH, PRESS REPORTS SAID HERE TODAY.

THIS INSTITUTE WILL BE IN ADDITION TO THE STRENGTHENING OF FUNCTIONS AND THE IMPROVEMENT OF FACILITIES AVAILABLE AT THE CEYLON HOTEL SCHOOL RUN BY THE CEYLON TOURIST BOARD.

THE SRI LANKAN TOURISM AND RURAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY IS TO HANDLE THE SETTING UP OF THIS INSTITUTE, POSSIBLY WITH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM ABROAD.

A COMPREHENSIVE COURSE ON TOURISM, IN KEEPING WITH INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS, WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THOSE WHO ENROL WITH THE INSTITUTE. THIS WILL SERVE BOTH LOCAL AS WELL AS INTERNATIONAL NEEDS.

TRAVEL TRADE SOURCES SAID THAT THE SETTING UP OF THE INSTITUTE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE A BIG BOOST TO THE TRAVEL TRADE AS WELL AS THE TOURIST INDUSTRY ON THE WHOLE.

THEY SAID THAT THE SRI LANKAN TOURIST INDUSTRY IS ON THE UPWARD TREND WITH THE NUMBER OF TOURISTS VISITING THE COUNTRY INCREASING EVERY MONTH.

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#90319h0066 11/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 15) XINHUA - THE KENYAN GOVERNMENT HAS URGED THE WORLD BANK AND OTHER DONORS TO ASSIST DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN OVERCOMING ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES CAUSED BY THE CURRENT GULF CRISIS.

MEETING VISITING VICE-PRESIDENT FOR AFRICA OF THE WORLD BANK EDWARD JAYCOX HERE ON WEDNESDAY, KENYAN FINANCE MINISTER GEORGE SAITOTI SAID THAT HIGH OIL PRICES, GROWING INTERNATIONAL INFLATION, HIGHER INTERNATIONAL INTEREST RATES AND FUTURE UNCER- TAINTY "GIVE RISE TO A DIFFICULT SCENARIO FOR A SMALL OPEN ECONOMY SUCH AS KENYA'S".

SAITOTI SAID THAT THE KENYAN GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO CONTROL ITS EXPENDITURE AND MOVED AGGRESSIVELY TO RAISE REVENUE TO REDUCE THE PRESSURE ON BALANCE OF PAYMENTS CAUSED BY THE GULF CRISIS.

HE NOTED THAT THE WORLD ECONOMIC SITUATION HAS NOT IMPROVED SIGNIFICANTLY SINCE THE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE WORLD BANK EARLY THIS YEAR, BUT HAS BEEN AGGRAVATED BY THE GULF CRISIS.

THEREFORE, HE CALLED UPON THE WORLD BANK, WHICH HAS PLEDGED 7.5 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS TO 21 POOR AFRICAN COUNTRIES THROUGH A SPECIAL PROGRAM OF ASSISTANCE, TO MOBILIZE MORE FUNDS TO HELP DEVELOPING COUNTRIES BRIDGE OVER THE CURRENT ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES.

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#90319h0071 11/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 15) XINHUA - EXPORTS OF INDONESIA'S FORESTRY PRODUCTS ARE PROJECTED TO REACH ABOUT 4 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS THIS YEAR AND TO CONTINUE INCREASING TO REACH 10 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS ANNUALLY IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS, ACCORDING TO THE JAKARTA POST TODAY.

GENERAL CHAIRMAN OF THE INDONESIAN FORESTRY COMMUNITY, MUHAMMAD (BOB) HASAN, SAID AT A MEETING WITH SOME HEADS OF FOREIGN MISSIONS IN JAKARTA ON TUESDAY

THAT THIS PROJECTION WAS BASED ON THE RAPIDLY EXPANDING WOOD AND RATTAN PROCESSING INDUSTRY FOLLOWING THE GOVERNMENT'S DECISION TO DRASTICALLY RAISE EXPORT TAXES ON VARIOUS TYPES OF SAWN TIMBER AND TO BAN EXPORTS OF RAW AND SEMI-PROCESSED RATTAN.

HASAN SAID THAT INDONESIA'S EXPORTS OF FORESTRY PRODUCTS REACHED 3.8 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS LAST YEAR, UP FROM 3.1 BILLION IN 1988. PLYWOOD AND SAWN TIMBER EXPORTS INCREASED FROM 9.55 MILLION CUBIC METERS VALUED AT 3 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN 1988 TO 10.9 MILLION CUBIC METERS WORTH 3.6 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS LAST YEAR, HE SAID.

ACCORDING TO THE ASSOCIATION OF INDONESIAN PAPER PRODUCERS, THE GOVERNMENT HAS APPROVED 20 NEW COMPANIES TO INVEST IN PULP AND PAPER PLANTS WITH COMBINED INVESTMENTS OF MORE THAN 8.49 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS, IN ADDITION TO THE 41 SIMILAR FACTORIES ALREADY IN OPERATION WITH A TOTAL INSTALLED CAPACITY OF 1.48 MILLION TONS OF PAPER PER ANNUM.

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#90319h0095 11/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 15) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINES HAS OVERSHOT THE CEILING ON RESERVE MONEY, WHICH THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF) HAS SET AS A PRECONDITION FOR THE RELEASE OF THE 900 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS STAND-BY CREDIT TO THE COUNTRY THE LATEST OFFICIAL CENTRAL BANK DATA SHOWED.

THE CENTRAL BANK DATA SHOWED THE RESERVE MONEY HAS REACHED 102.6 BILLION PESOS (ABOUT 3.66 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) BY END-OCTOBER, OR 15.1 BILLION PESOS (ABOUT 539.29 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) HIGHER THAN THE 87.5 BILLION PESOS (3.13 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) CEILING SET BY THE IMF.

THE OVERSHOOTING COULD LEAD TO THE FREEZING OF THE 180 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS TRANCHE WHICH THE IMF IS SUPPOSED TO PROVIDE BY THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1990.

THE PHILIPPINES, IN ITS LETTER OF INTENT IT HAS SUBMITTED TO THE IMF, HAS COMMITTED TO MEET THE MACRO-ECONOMIC TARGETS, WHICH THE IMF HAS SET IN EXCHANGE FOR THE STAND-BY CREDIT.

THE RELEASE OF THE LOAN, GIVEN IN SEVERAL TRANCHES OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS, DEPENDS ON THE NATION'S ABILITY TO MEET THE PERFORMANCE CRITERIA WHICH THE IMF HAS SET.

THE IMF SENDS PERIODICAL MONITORING TEAMS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE COUNTRY MEETS THE TARGET SET BY IT.

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#90319h0098 11/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 15) XINHUA - CHILEAN FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTER ENRIQUE SILVA

CIMMA ARRIVED HERE TODAY FOR A THREE-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE PHILIPPINES.

THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SAID HERE THAT FOREIGN SECRETARY RAUL MANGLAPUS AND SILVA CIMMA ARE EXPECTED TO DISCUSS VARIOUS MATTERS OF COMMON INTEREST TO THE PHILIPPINES AND CHILE, AS WELL AS THE GLOBAL SITUATION AS IT AFFECTS BOTH COUNTRIES.

THE TWO FOREIGN MINISTERS WILL ALSO SIGN AN AGREEMENT ON FRIDAY ON THE ELIMINATION OF VISAS BETWEEN THE PHILIPPINES AND CHILE FOR HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC AND OFFICIAL PASSPORTS.

DURING HIS STAY HERE, SILVA CIMMA WILL CALL ON PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO AT THE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE AND HOLD TALKS WITH SENATE PRESIDENT JOVITO SALONGA AND SOME OTHER LEGISLATORS.

THE CHILEAN MINISTER WILL DEPART ON SATURDAY FOR PARIS ON HIS WAY BACK HOME.

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#90319h0099 11/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HELSINKI (NOV. 15) XINHUA- FINLAND'S UNEMPLOYMENT REACHED A TOTAL 100,900 BY THE END OF OCTOBER, A 17 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS ISSUED TODAY BY FINLAND'S LABOR MINISTRY.

THESE UNEMPLOYMENT FIGURES MAKE UP 4.3 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL LABOR FORCE IN FINLAND. LAPPI AREA IN NORTHERN FINLAND PRESENTS THE HIGHEST UNEMPLOYMENT RATE THAT OF 8.1 PERCENT OF THE WORKFORCE.

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#90319h0112 11/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BRASILIA (NOV. 15) XINHUA - BRAZIL AND BOLIVIA SET UP HAVE MECHANISMS FOR THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON DRUG TRAFFICKING, ACCORDING TO A MEETING ENDED HERE TODAY.

THE TWO-DAY MEETING, NAMELY THE FIRST SESSION OF THE BRAZIL-BOLIVIA BILATERAL SUBCOMMITTEE ON DRUGS, WAS HELD IN THE BRAZILIAN JUSTICE MINISTRY.

ACCORDING TO JUSTICE MINISTRY FEDERAL DRUG COUNCIL (CONFEE) PRESIDENT ESTER KOSOVSKI, THE BOLIVIAN DELEGATION STRESSED HIS GOVERNMENT'S CONCERN OVER THE URGENT NEED OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN COCA PLANTATION SUBSTITUTION.

PARTICIPANTS TO THE MEETING ALSO DISCUSSED DRUG PRODUCTION, CONSUMING, TRAFFICKING, AND THE PREVENTION OF DRUG ABUSE AS WELL AS THE TREATMENT OF DRUG ADDICTS.

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#90319h0113 11/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
SANTIAGO (NOV. 15) XINHUA - CHILE AND BRAZIL SIGNED HERE WEDNESDAY A BILATERAL COOPERATION ACCORD ON THE CLEANING UP OF SANTIAGO'S ENVIRONMENT AND THE EXCHANGE OF FOREST PRODUCTS FOR EXPORTS.

POSSIBLE TECHNICAL COOPERATION AREAS HAD BEEN SELECTED STRESSING THE PRIVATE SECTOR, SAID RODRIGO EGANA, DIRECTOR OF THE CHILEAN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGENCY.

THE EXCHANGES WILL COVER METALLURGY, CHEMISTRY, ELECTRONICS, METAL MECHANICS, PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS, MEDICAL EQUIPMENTS, FOODSTUFFS AND WOOD SECTORS, EGANA SAID.

THESE COOPERATIONS WILL TAKE PLACE WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF A REGIONAL COOPERATION ACCORD REACHED DURING PRESIDENT AYLWWIN'S VISIT TO BRAZIL LAST JULY, HE SAID.

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#90319h0120 11/15/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BRIDGETOWN, BARBADOS (NOV. 14) XINHUA - A NURSES' STRIKE OVER PAY AT THE GEORGETOWN PUBLIC HOSPITAL IS NOW IN ITS SECOND WEEK, WITH NO SIGNS OF A RESOLUTION, REPORTS REACHING HERE SAID.

AN ORGANIZER OF THE STRIKE SAID THE NURSES ARE IN FOR A "LONG HAUL" AND WILL NOT BE RETURNING TO WORK UNTIL THE GOVERNMENT, AS A MINIMUM CONDITION, AGREES TO PAY THEM A BIGGER MONTHLY MEAL ALLOWANCE.

HOWEVER, GUYANESE PRIME MINISTER HAMILTON GREEN SAID HIS GOVERNMENT DOES NOT DISCUSS ISSUES WITH THOSE ON STRIKE AND SO LONG AS THE NURSES REMAIN OFF THE JOB, THERE WILL BE NO MONEY TALKS.

THE NURSES AT THE GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL HAVE BEEN JOINED BY NURSES AT SEVERAL OTHER GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS, THE CARIBBEAN NEWS AGENCY SAID.

THEY ARE DEMANDING THAT THEIR MONTHLY MEAL ALLOWANCE BE INCREASED FROM 200 DOLLARS TO 750 DOLLARS STARTING JANUARY 1 AND TO 1,500 DOLLARS STARTING NOVEMBER 1 THIS YEAR.

THEY SAID THAT THE 400-DOLLAR (8.8 U.S. DOLLARS) INCREASE THE GOVERNMENT OFFERED IS INADEQUATE.

THE STRIKE HAS SEVERELY DISRUPTED OPERATIONS AT SOME HOSPITALS.

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#90319k0013 11/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 15) KYODO - JAPAN'S INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IN SEPTEMBER ROSE 5.3

PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER, REVISING THE PRELIMINARY FIGURE SLIGHTLY DOWNWARD THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY REPORTED THURSDAY.

MITI SAID PRODUCTION AT FACTORIES AND MINES IN JAPAN POSTED A 5.4 PERCENT YEAR-ON-YEAR UPSWING IN SEPTEMBER IN A PRELIMINARY REPORT RELEASED LAST MONTH.

THE SEPTEMBER RUN-UP FOLLOWED A 5.5 PERCENT RISE IN AUGUST AND A 7.0 PERCENT CLIMB IN JULY.

THE PRODUCTION INDEX STOOD AT A SEASONALLY ADJUSTED 126.1 AND AT AN UNADJUSTED 129.4.

SHIPMENTS IN SEPTEMBER GAINED 5.4 PERCENT FROM THE YEAR-EARLIER LEVEL, AN UPWARD REVISION OF THE PREVIOUS FIGURE OF A 5.3 PERCENT RISE.

THE INDEX FOR SHIPMENTS WAS SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TO 127.2, AND 132.7 IF SEASONAL FACTORS ARE NOT TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.

INVENTORIES EDGED UP 0.5 PERCENT IN LINE WITH A MITI FORECAST IN THE PREVIOUS REPORT.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND UNADJUSTED INVENTORY INDEXES WERE 108.4 AND 106.4, RESPECTIVELY.

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#90319k0020 11/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 15) KYODO - JAPAN'S CRUDE STEEL OUTPUT ROSE TO A 10-YEAR-AND-FIVE-MONTH HIGH IN OCTOBER, INCREASING 4.1 PERCENT FROM THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR TO 9,817,000 TONS, AN INDUSTRY ORGANIZATION SAID THURSDAY.

THE LEVEL IS THE HIGHEST SINCE THE MAY 1980 OUTPUT OF 9,969,000 TONS, THE JAPAN IRON AND STEEL FEDERATION SAID.

OUTPUT OF CONVERTER STEEL ROSE 3.1 PERCENT FROM OCTOBER 1989 TO 6,719,000 TONS THE HIGHEST LEVEL SINCE JANUARY 1982.

PRODUCTION OF ELECTRIC FURNACE STEELS HIT A RECORD MONTHLY HIGH, INCREASING 6.1 PERCENT TO 3,098,000 TONS.

COMMON STEELS ROSE 4.1 PERCENT TO 8,097,000 TONS, THE HIGHEST LEVEL SINCE JUNE 1980.

SPECIAL STEELS ROSE 3.8 PERCENT TO 1,720,000 TONS, THE HIGHEST OUTPUT SINCE JULY 1985.

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#90319k0067 11/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
HANOI (NOV. 15) KYODO - FOUR JAPANESE COMPANIES ARE CONDUCTING PREFEASIBILITY STUDIES ON A LARGE PETROCHEMICAL PROJECT IN VIETNAM, WHICH WOULD MARK THE FIRST MAJOR JAPANESE INVESTMENT IN 16 YEARS, VIETNAM'S HEAVY INDUSTRY MINISTER TRAN LUM SAID THURSDAY.

LUM SAID THE PROJECT WOULD COST BETWEEN 600-800 MILLION DOLLARS AND PROPOSES TO BUILD A PETROCHEMICAL COMPLEX NEAR HO CHI MINH CITY FOR OIL REFINERY AND PRODUCTION OF CHEMICA FERTILIZER.

OF THE UR JAPANESE COMPANIES, NISO IWAI CORP. HAS ALREADY ESENTED A DRAFT PLAN FOR THE PROJECT, HE SAID. THE THREE OTHER FIRMS ARE C. ITOH AND CO., MEIWA TRADING CO. AND TOYO ENGINEERING CORP.

ACCORDING TO A DOCUMENT FROM THE HEAVY INDUSTRY MINISTRY, FOUR EUROPEAN COMPANS, INCLUDING TOTAL CFP OFANCE, BRITISH PETROLEUM CM AND ROYAL DUTCH SHELL GRP, ARE COMPETING FOR A CONCT ON THE PROJECT.

UM SAID THE VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO CHOOSE A PROJET ORGANIZER FROM AMONG THESECOMPANIES AS EARLY AS THE FIRT HALF OF 1991, TO START CSTRUCTION IN LATE 1991 FOCOMPLETION BY 1995.

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#90319k0068 11/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 15) KYODO - JAPAN'S MAJOR PLANT ENGINEERING COMPANY, JGC CORP., ANNOUNCED THURSDAY THAT IT HAS RECEIVED A 225 MILLION DOLLAR ETHYLENE PLANT ORDER FROM MALAYSIA.

A KUALA LUMPUR COMPANY, TITAN PETROCHEMICAL (M) S. BHD., MADE THE ORDER THE ENERGY-SAVING PLANTWITH A CAPACITY TO PRODUCEWEPNPPP TONS OF ETHYLENE A AR.

THE PLANT WILL CAPABLE OF USING BOTH NAPHTH AND LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS AS RAW MATERIALS, DEPENDING ON THEIR MARKET PRICES.

JGC PLANS TO HAND OVER THE PLANT TO TITAN IN JUNE 1993. ;;YODO NNNN R134 R CA15 R :STOCKS-KOREA: SEOUL SHARE PRICES EXTEND LOSSES ON UNCERTAINTY OF GULF CRISIS"

SEOUL, NOV. 15 KYODO - PRICES ON THE KOREA STOCK EXCHANGE DECLINED IN DULL TRADING THURSDAY AS GROWING NUMBER OF INVESTORS TURNED TO THE WAIT-AND-SEE ATTITUDE FONCERTAINTY OF THE GULF CRIS, REPORTS YONHAP.

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#90319k0074 11/15/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 15) KYODO - CONSUMER ELECTRONICS PRODUCED BY FOREIGN INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES ARE SELLING LIKE HOTCAKES IN THE EMERGING ECONOMIES

OF EASTERN EUROPE, ACCORDING TO A REPORT PUBLISHED BY AN INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION THURSDAY.

THE REPORT, COMPILED BY THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION OF JAPAN, SAID THE DEMAND FOR FOREIGN-MADE CONSUMER ELECTRONICS IS SO STRONG THAT THEY ARE OFTEN SOLD OUT IN MANY EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES DESPITE THEIR ABNORMALLY HIGH PRICES THERE.

IN POLAND AND HUNGARY, FOR INSTANCE, SALES OF JAPANESE COLOR TELEVISION SETS, PRICED AT SIX TIMES THE AVERAGE MONTHLY SALARY IN THE COUNTRIES, ARE BOOMING AMID BURGEONING CONSMPTION THERE, IT SAID. THE REPORT, BASED ONURVEY CONDUCTED IN SEPTEMBERN FIVE EASTERN EUROPEAN COUTRIES, ESTIMATED THE ELECTRNICS MARKET IN THE REGION TOALS ABOUT 10 BILLION DOLLA, A MERE 7 PERCENT OF F WESTERN EUROPE.

EMAND FOR SEMICONDUCTORS AMOTED TO AN ESTIMATED 710 MILION DOLLARS LAST YEAR, AOUNTING FOR 1.4 PERCENT OHE WORLD'S TOTAL, AN ISTRATION OF THE INDUSTRIAL BAKWARDNESS OF THE REGION, ISAID.

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TOKYO (NOV. 15) KYODO - JAPAN'S LONG-TERM CREDIT BANKS ARE LIKELY TO HOLD LONG-TERM PRIME LENDING RATES AT 8.3 PERCENT IN DECEMBER FOLLOWING A RECENT SEESAW MOVEMENT IN THE LONG-TERM INTEREST RATES, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID THURSDAY.

THE SOURCES SAID THE PREDICTION CAME IN RESPONSE TO THE VIEW THAT YIELDS ON FIVE-YEAR BANK DEBENTURES,A YARDSTICK BY WHICH THE G-TERM PRIME RATE IS SETWILL NOT DEVIATE FAR FROM UPON RATE SET FOR THE DEBENRE'S NOVEMBER ISSUE IN CO WEEKS.

THE 7.4 PERCENT COUPON NOVEMBER BANK DEBENTURE ISSUE HAS BEEN CURRENTLY YIELDING AT THE 7.3 PERCENT LEVEL.

THE LONG-TERM PRIME RATE IS USUALLY SET AT 0.9 PERCENTAGE POINT ABOVE THE COUPON ON THE INTEREST-BEARING BANK DEBENTURES OFFERED MONTHLY, WHICH AREIXED EVERY MONTH IN TUNE WIT SECONDARY-MARKET YIELDSSUCH DEBENTURES. THE LONGATERM CREDIT BANKS ARE AMOTHE MAJOR ISSUERS OF DEBENTES.

AMID STALLED BONDMARKET ACTIVITY, THE BENCRK NO. 119 ISSUE ON SPOTDING ENDED THURSDAY AT A YIELD OF 7.820 PERCENT, MUCTHE SAME AS IN LATE OCTOBERHEN IT HAD HOVERED AROUND 7 PERCENT.

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BONN (NOV. 15) KYODO - FORMER WEST GERMANY'S GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP)

WILL GROW BY 3 PERCENT IN 1991, ACCORDING TO AN ANNUAL REPORT BY THE "FIVE WISEMEN," A GROUP OF ECONOMIC PROFESSORS WORKING OUT ANALYSES FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

THE 500-PAGE REPORT WHICH WAS PRESENTED ON THURSDAY IN BONN DOES NOT GIVE DETAILED FIGURES FOR FORMER EAST GERMANY AND ALL OF GERMANY, AS THE STATISTICAL DATA ARE NOT SUFFICIENT FOR A SAFE PROGNOSIS.

A SPLIT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WILL BE CHARACTERISTIC FOR THE ALL-GERMAN ECONOMY IN 1991, THE REPORT SAID. THE CONTINUING GNP RISE IN THE WESTERN PART OF GERMANY WILL BE CAUSED MAINLY BY INVESTMENT TO MODERNIZE AND EXTEND PRODUCTION PLANTS TO SATISFY INCREASED DOMESTIC DEMAND, BUT EXPORTS WILL NOT PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN 1991.

FORMER EAST GERMANY'S ECONOMY WILL DECLINE FURTHER AND REACH ROCK BOTTOM IN THE MIDDLE OF 1991, AND FROM LATE SUMMER THE EXPERTS PREDICT GROWING DEMAND AND PRODUCTION LED BY THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY.

ACCORDING TO THE GROUP, CONSUMER PRICES WILL INCREASE BY 3.5 PERCENT FOR THE WESTERN PART, AND THERE WILL BE A RISE IN THE EASTERN PART. THE REPORT PREDICTS GROWING UNEMPLOYMENT, WITH UP TO 2 MILLION UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE AND 1.9 MILLION SHORT-TIME WORKERS FOR THE SECOND HALF OF 1991 IN EAST GERMANY, BUT WEST GERMAN UNEMPLOYMENT WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED AT 1.9 MILLION PEOPLE.

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TOKYO (NOV. 15) KYODO - A COMPUTER INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION THURSDAY CALLED FOR CONVICTED COMPUTER HACKERS TO BE SENTENCED TO UP TO ONE YEAR OF HARD LABOR OR FINED.

THE JAPAN INFORMATION PROCESSING DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION PROPOSED A REVISION OF THE CRIMINAL LAW OR AN ENACTMENT OF NEW LEGISLATION TO PUNISH HACKERS WHO HAVE WILFULLY DESTROYED OR STOLEN DATA BY BREAKING INTO FORBIDDEN AREAS OF A COMPUTER SYSTEM.

THE ASSOCIATION SAID THE PRESENT CRIMINAL LAW IS UNSUITABLE FOR NEW SOCIAL NEEDS, AND IT IS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN SOCIAL FAITH IN THE COMPUTER INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM.

IT ALSO PROPOSED THAT IN ADDITION TO INTERFERENCE IN THE EXECUTION OF ONE'S DUTY AND ALTERATION OR DESTRUCTION OF DATA, WHICH ARE PUNISHABLE UNDER THE PRESENT CRIMINAL LAW, AN UNLAWFUL ACQUISITION OF DATA, AN UNLAWFUL USE OF COMPUTERS, AND THE DESTRUCTION OF DATA BY MEANS OF COMPUTER VIRUSES SHOULD BE MADE PUNISHABLE AS CRIMINAL OFFENSES UNDER A REVISED CRIMINAL LAW OR A NEW LAW.

THE PROPOSAL WAS MADE BY THE ASSOCIATION ON THE BASIS OF THE RESULTS OF STUDIES CONDUCTED SINCE 1985 BY A COMMITTEE MADE UP OF CRIMINAL CODE SCHOLARS,

COMPUTER MAKER EXPERTS, AND BANKS' SYSTEMS DEVELOPERS.

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#90319m0001 11/15/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys
FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 15) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei drops 450 points. ... In London, stocks are higher - the FTSE up 15.5 points in early afternoon trading. ... U.S. stocks in London are down slightly with the EXMI off 55 cents. ... The dollar is mixed, higher against the mark and the sterling. ... The long bond is yielding 8.52% in overnight trading. ... North Sea crude is up 50 cents at $32.00. ... DONALD TRUMP asks to meet with bondholders in a bid to avoid a Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing for his TAJ MAHAL CASINO. and TIME WARNER sign a two-year marketing accord giving the auto maker access to the media company's various outlets for an estimated $30 million to $40 million. ... Sales of domestically built cars and light trucks rose by 3.2% in early November.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT releases business inventories today at 10 a.m. EST. Analysts are anticipating a rise of 0.5%. ... The judge in the case says MICHAEL MILKEN will be sentenced next week, but she set no specific date. ... CARL ICHAN plans to renew his proxy challenge against USX unless the company restructures.

FROM THE BULLS:

Look for a 40% market gain over the next year. That's the forecast of the econometric model used by NORMAN FOSSBACK of the "Mutual Fund Forecaster." He says mutual fund cash reserves are at their highest level in eight years and recent buying by corporate insiders outweighs selling by nine-to-one. Fossback says there is more good news to come as the Fed moves to avert recession: "The biggest risk in [this] market is missing the big rally when it comes." (CNBC "World Business", 11/15)

GENE SEAGLE at GRUNTAL AND CO. is sticking by his prediction that the Dow will reach 2650 or 2700 by the end of November. "For one thing, I feel we formed a major bottom," he says. "We had a climatic drop on Aug. 23 ... in that we had over 700 new lows, we had one new high, we've had less and less of that as we've gone along, so the downside momentum has lessened. ... Markets do not turn up from tops in the economy, the market comes up out of recessionary types of economies." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/14)

"Every bull market starts with an uptick," says MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER. "Maybe this is the real thing." (NYT, 11/15)

FROM THE BEARS:

Brief and sharp rallies are characteristics of a bear market, says BOB NUROCK, who thinks sentiment indicators do not yet indicate the aggressive pessimism of a market bottom. "We continue to suggest a cautious and defensive approach. ... Both financial and economic risks remain high," he writes in "Bob Nurock's Advisory." Nurock believes the technical picture is deteriorating again and much of the good news, such as lower interest rates, has already been discounted by the market. "We suggest modest net long exposure, holding about 75% in cash reserves." (CNBC "World Business", 11/15)

"We recognize the market was due for a technical bounce," says WILLIAM KUFTA, manager of about $1.2 billion of investments at PITCAIRN FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT. "But we still think the fundamentals haven't changed dramatically. We think the recession has further and deeper to go, and this is just a trading rally." Mr. Kufta is content to have 40% of his portfolio in cash for now. (WSJ, 11/15)

STOCK MARKET:

"The rally looks increasingly real - it wasn't just programs that did it, although there was some index arbitrage during the afternoon [yesterday]," says chief institutional trader DAVID MACK at COWEN AND CO. "Gains were fairly across-the-board. It seems people are increasingly afraid of being under-invested." ("The Washington Post", 11/15)

"The background momentum, the background sentiment, even the trading cycles are still a good and positive influence on the market, so I would be inclined to look for further follow through to this rally," says technical analyst WALTER MURPHY at MERRILL LYNCH. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/14)

"People are coming to the realization about oil, and with a slowing economy giving the Federal Reserve some breathing room, that's producing a strong reflex bounce in stocks," says A.C. MOORE, director of research at ARGUS RESEARCH. While there is room for even further gains in coming weeks, there are some important constraints on how long the rally can last. "Stock prices are a function of interest rates and earnings, and while the interest rate part of the equation is working favorably, the earning part of the equation isn't good," says Moore. He predicts that stock prices will fall after the New Year as investors focus on disappointing fourth-quarter profits and further evidence of a recession. (WSJ, 11/15)

"If [a fall in] oil prices did encourage the market, and certainly it did ... certainly the market was not disappointed by the lack of evidence of a Fed ease," says BRIAN FABBRI of MIDLAND MONTAGU. Thursday, "oil prices could

easily dominate, especially if the market can't detect Fed ease." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/14)

The current market rally is "partially an interest-rate play - people still expect the Fed to lower interest rates sometime this week, even though the Fed didn't act [yesterday]," says KENNETH DUCEY, chief trader at S.G. WARBURG. "There have been some buy programs, but there's been a solid underpinning of cash buying all along." ("The Washington Post", 11/15)

"My instinct of 30 years in the market tells me the market has made a bottom," says ALFRED GOLDMAN of A.G. EDWARDS. He says stocks have been buffeted by waves of bad news, but "has discounted most of it." Goldman says investors should not "chase" stocks, but rather buy on "pullbacks." ("Investor's Daily" 11/15)

"Actually, [Wednesday] was a weak day," according to LAZSLO BIRINYI, president of BIRINYI ASSOCIATES. "We had nowhere near the quality of buying we had earlier in the week." (NYT, 11/15)

STOCK TIPS:

Drug stocks tend to undergo a metamorphosis during a recession, turning from market leaders to laggards, says MARY ELLEN McCARTHY of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "They're sold to raise cash at the start of recessions. And in anticipation of the economy rebounding, they're sold as investors switch to cyclicals, hoping for bigger gains." McCarthy's advice to investors: Use market downturns to buy

BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB and PFIZER, and sell MERCK and LILLY on rallies. ("USA Today", 11/15)

"I still like the food stocks, I still like the health stocks, I like the big Blue Chip stocks that have good international connections and I like some of the secondary high-tech stocks," says GENE SEAGLE at GRUNTAL AND CO. "I'm talking about IBM in particular because I think IBM is turning into a leader for this market. ... Technically, IBM breaking through 110 to me [means] it is headed for at least 120." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/14)

OPPENHEIMER & CO. recommends buying stock in SHONEY'S INC., a restaurant operator with 924 franchises in 32 states. The company's earnings are expected to grow 26% in 1992 as the company adds new products to its menu and expands by opening 105 franchised units in fiscal 1991 and 140 in fiscal 1992. ("USA Today", 11/15)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 15) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED

BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"The basic tone is bearish for the dollar," says EARL JOHNSON of HARRIS TRUST & SAVINGS. He blames "adverse interest rates and the U.S. economy" for that weakness. He says the greenback has been hurt by the strength of the mark, which has benefitted from reunification. ("Investor's Daily", 11/15)

"Everyone is favoring the mark," says BERND BECKER, vice president and chief dealer at OESTERREICHISCHE LAENDERBANK in New York. But the market apparently sees "no reason to buy the dollar except to take profit." (WSJ, 11/15)

"It's up to the Fed right now to avoid a more serious downturn in the economy " says STEPHEN GALLAGHER of KIDDER, PEABODY. "In order to avert a problem, the Fed has got to be a little bit more accommodative," says Gallagher. He says the Fed will continue to lower short-term rates. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/14)

"I think the Fed will ease," says ALFRED GOLDMAN of A.G. EDWARDS. "They have no other choice." He thinks the rise in the fed funds rate yesterday was merely due to the volatility of settlement day. ("Investor's Daily", 11/15)

"I think they [the FEDERAL OPEN MARKET COMMITTEE] probably eased monetary policy, but they put a time delay on it, because they did not do something very obvious ... which was to provide a signal they had eased," says CHARLES LIEBERMAN at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER SECURITIES. "I suspect they are probably going to do it [today] or Friday. ... I think there will be another easing before year-end." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/14)

"A potential time frame for a further policy easing" might be established by tomorrow's October consumer prices report, according to ELLIOTT PLATT of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE. If the report does not show signs of increasing inflation, "the Fed would ease by reducing the funds rate" by a quarter point. ("Investor's Daily", 11/15)

Remaining is cash "is not that big of a sacrifice," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN, director of money-market research at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS INC. Although many market forecasters believe interest rates will fall further, "we're nowhere near the level where people feel they're sacrificing too much." (WSJ, 11/15)

If the Federal Reserve eases interest rates further, as many expect, short-term rates could drop sharply in the weeks ahead, says CHARLES CLOUGH, chief investment strategist at MERRILL LYNCH & CO. Investors who remain in money funds will see their returns drop accordingly. Thus, he says, people should be shifting to longer-term investments. (WSJ, 11/15)

What do bondholders get if they push the TRUMP TAJ MAHAL into bankruptcy? "At the end of the day, the bondholders are going to get most of the equity in the company - they are going to own the casino," says ANDREW HERENSTEIN, senior analyst with the DELAWARE BAY COMPANY. In the current economic climate, the casino is worth $300-

400 million dollars says Herenstein, but bondholders are owed $700 million. (CNN "Business Day", 11/15)

THE ECONOMY:

"The U.S. entered a recession sometime in the middle of September," according to STEPHEN GALLAGHER of KIDDER, PEABODY. He looks for three quarters of negative growth, with the worst being this fourth quarter, where he looks for a negative two percent growth. He says small companies are having "problems raising funds to conduct their businesses," and he says that credit crunch could make a mild recession more severe. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/14)

"This is the first recession we have predicted since 1982," says RICHARD RAHN, chief economist for THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. He blames the Fed and the "horrible budget bill" for causing the recession. He says by the first quarter of next year, growth will be around -1 1/2% and unemployment may reach as high as 7%. (CNN "Moneyline", 11/14)

"It will be a very bleak Christmas," predicts ALLEN SINAI, chief economist at BOSTON CO. "Unfortunately, the worst of the downturn [in the economy] is occurring close to the Christmas season." ROSALIND WELLS, chief economist of the NATIONAL RETAIL FEDERATION, disagrees. She says, "A lot of analysts are going over on the gloomy side about Christmas. I don't think it will be a very good Christmas, but I'm not looking for a disaster either ... Barring some disaster, people will get out there to buy their Christmas gifts." (WSJ, 11/15)

Retail sales grew just 0.1% due to gasoline prices. "It stinks, pure and simple, and proves that the public is in a mood to conserve money rather than spend," says KURT BARNARD, publisher of "Barnard's Retail Marketing Report." "But it's no surprise coming after last week's results from major retailers." ("The Washington Post", 11/15)

Retail revenue accounts for half of all consumer spending, so Wednesday's report "is one more nail in the coffin of the economy's eight-year expansion," says IRWIN KELLNER, chief economist at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER TRUST. KIM RUPPERT, economist at consultants MMS INTERNATIONAL, explains, "As people cut back on spending, businesses will have no reason to up their production schedules because demand won't be there for their goods." ("USA Today", 11/15)

"Holiday sales are going to be pretty lousy," says BRUCE STEINBERG of MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MARKETS. "Compared to Christmases past, it's just not going to look very good." (NYT, 11/15)

"Retail sales [are] fairly sluggish, showing that consumers are not making many purchases," says CHRISTOPHER RUPKEY of MITSUBISHI BANK. "Consumer sentiment is down to the lowest level since the 1981-82 recession." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/14)

The retail sales number "does suggest that consumers are being quite cautious " says ROBERT GAY of MORGAN STANLEY. "They aren't freewheeling in their spending." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/14)

PRESIDENT BUSH's assurances to Congress that war was not imminent brought about a nearly two dollar decline in the price of oil. "It was like a switch was thrown," says B&C TRADING's JOHN GERAGHTY. "The market tumbled, and the move down accelerated as the wave of selling grew." ("Investor's Daily", 11/15)

Japan's trade surplus with the world continues to trend downward as the government encourages the consumption of imported, lower priced goods. "The Japanese economy has grown quite a bit through domestic investment," says PETER DAVIES, v-p for international equities at NOMURA SECURITIES. "Now they would like to increase their consumption as a fuel to economic growth." (CNBC "World Business", 11/15)

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#90319p7132 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPOKANE, WASH. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Inland Gold and Silver Corp. (NASDAQ: INGS) today reported a net loss of $1,093,531, or 8 cents per share, from sales of $795,655 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30. The company had net income of $381,216, or 3 cents per share, from sales of $4,922,200 during the same period in 1989.

The net loss is primarily attributable to the inclusion of approximately $974,000 of additional deferred costs associated with ore being leached included in cost of sales and other direct production costs. These additional costs resulted from a revision of the estimated number of recoverable ounces of gold contained on the leach pad at Sept. 30.

General and administrative expenses for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 totaled $230,901 as compared to $129,614 in 1989. This increase is directly attributed to a buildup of administrative and technical personnel.

The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30 was $338,294, or 3 cents per share, as compared to net income of $321,292, or 2 cents per share, for the same period last year.

Gold production of approximately 11,600 ounces is expected to be realized during 1990. Gold bullion being held in inventory as of Sept. 30 was

approximately 9,800 ounces of which 5,000 and 2,000 ounces are committed for delivery on Feb. 1 and April 1, 1991, at $405.75 per ounce and $423.25 per ounce, respectively. These forward sales will generate gross cash proceeds of $2,028,750 and $846,500 respectively.

Mining operations continued at the company's Toiyabe property, now enlarged to approximately 34,000 acres, during the third quarter of 1990, and ceased on Sept. 14, 1990. Leaching and processing, however, continued throughout the third quarter, and are expected to continue through the fourth quarter of 1990 and most of 1991.

Inland's chief executive officer, James F. Etter, stated, "Even with gold prices at disappointing levels, and the accumulation of increasing costs from the amortization of developmental assets in our gold inventories, sales of production from our Toiyabe Mine will continue to provide a strong cash base for which to evaluate and acquire other production opportunities. In addition we are currently negotiating with certain major mining companies to fund an aggressive exploration campaign on our Toiyabe property."

The company's 34,000 acre Toiyabe property, located in Nevada, has yielded approximately 73,500 ounces of gold to date with production ongoing. In addition, Inland owns a 50 percent interest in the Big Blackfoot property near Lincoln, Mont. Big Blackfoot contains approximately 100,000 ounces of mineable gold reserves. In addition, the company is engaged in a joint venture exploration project near Republic, Wash., and has acquired an exclusive lease agreement on a 2,160 acre property located 4-1/2 miles from FMC Gold Co.'s Paradise Peak Mine.

INLAND GOLD AND SILVER CORP.
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months		Nine Months	
Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$ 795,655	$ 4,925,861	$ 5,003,655	$ 4,931,877
Gross profit (loss)	$ (928,761)	$ 1,321,005	$ 378,562	$ 1,276,334
Net (loss) income	$(1,093,531)	$ 381,216	$ (338,294)	$ 321,292
Earnings (loss) per share	$ (0.08)	$ 0.03	$ (0.03)	$ 0.02
Shares outstanding (weighted)	13,392,633	13,392,633	13,392,633	13,392,633

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#90319p7148 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLASTONBURY, CONN. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - DataImage, Inc. (NASDAQ: DATA) of Glastonbury announced today financial results for the three-month and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, DataImage had total revenues of $1,118,922 compared to $585,965 for the same period a year ago, an increase of 91 percent. Despite this revenue increase, DataImage reported a small loss for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $4,652 (or a net loss of 0 cents per share) which compares to net income of $13,171 (or net income per share of 1 cent) for the similar period in 1989.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, DataImage had total revenues of $2,452,886 compared to $2,328,535 for the same period a year ago, an increase of 5 percent. The net loss for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $292,733 (or a net loss of 17 cents per share) which compares to net income of $133,028 (or net income per share of 9 cents) for the similar period in 1989.

Backlog as of Nov. 14, 1990 was approximately $749,000. The increase in total revenues for the third quarter of 1990 compared to the third quarter of 1989 was due to a 69 percent increase in system sales and a 691 percent increase in service revenues. The gross profit for the third quarter 1990 was $357,288, an increase 52 percent compared to the third quarter of 1989. The 5 percent increase in total revenues for the first nine months of 1990 compared to the same period in 1989 was due principally to an increase in service revenues. The gross profit for the first nine months of 1990 was $759,651, a decrease of 6 percent from the gross profit for the comparable period of 1989.

An operating loss from continuing operations of $15,689 for the third quarter 1990 was a slight improvement compared to an operating loss from continuing operations of $53,424 for the comparable period in 1989. Despite an increase in total revenues of 91 percent for third quarter of 1990, the operating loss is primarly attributable to the 29 percent increase in selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses in the third quarter of 1990 over the comparable quarter in 1989 and to a decrease in the gross profit margin. The improvement in the SG&A expenses as a percentage of total revenues from 43 percent for the third quarter of 1989 to 29 percent for the third quarter of 1990 is attributable largely to the increase in total revenues in the third quarter 1990 and the cost containment measures adopted by the company on June 30, 1990. An operating loss from continuing operations of $361,327 for the first nine months of 1990 is attributable principally to the increase of $440,941 in SG&A expenses over the comparable quarter in 1989 coupled with the decline in the gross profit margin.

As a systems integrator of hardware and software components, DataImage, Inc. designs, assembles, installs and maintains image-processing systems. The company's image-processing system electronically captures, indexes, manages,

files, retrieves, and re-files text, data and images (non-computerized information). Since July 1987, DataImage has sold more than 35 systems to corporate customers including Fortune 500 companies, financial institutions, insurance companies and a regional brokerage house.

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#90319p7151 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CONN. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Magellan Petroleum Corporation (NASDAQ: MPET) today reported a consolidated net profit of $50,000 on total revenues of $3.3 million in its fiscal first quarter ended Sept. 30.

In last year's first quarter, gross revenues of $2.8 million produced a $40,000 net profit, the company said.

Benjamin W. Heath, president, said the company's 51-percent-owned Australian subsidiary, MPAL, has drilled the Dingo. No. 3 appraisal well to a depth of 9,721 feet, and presently is running seven-inch casing prior to drilling into the Arumbera reservoir formation.

Heath also noted that the Navajo Venture (MPAL: 12 percent) has resumed drilling on its 54,000-acre concession area in Utah, Arizona, and New Mexico, where 50 to 60 wells are to be drilled over the next 15 months. The first of these, now being completed, is a stepout from the Runway discovery well, which currently is producing 800 to 900 barrels of oil per day.

MAGELLAN PETROLEUM CORPORATION
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(Unaudited -- expressed in U.S. dollars)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues:		
Oil sales	$1,435,341	$ 945,020
Gas sales	1,761,393	1,679,630
Interest and other income	136,005	172,898
Total	3,332,739	2,797,548
Costs and expenses:		
Production costs	752,029	753,784
Interest	147,066	161,281
Depletion, depreciation, and amortization	836,088	526,517
Administrative	618,122	522,842
Other	349,935	138,793
Total	2,703,240	2,103,217
Income before minority interests and taxes	629,499	694,331
Minority interests in MPAL	397,355	435,533

Pre-tax income	232,144	258,798
Income tax provision (deferred)	182,611	218,941
Net income	$ 49,533	$ 39,857
Average number of shares outstanding	24,381,890	24,381,890
Net income per share	--	--

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MT. VERNON, NY (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael Anthony Jewelers, Inc. (AMEX: MAJ), today reported that its net sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, rose 21 percent to $25,031,000 from $20,638,000 in the comparable quarter last year. The increase in sales is attributable to the company's acquisition of the Jardinay manufacturing operations.

Net earnings for the quarter increased 15 percent to $595,000 as compared to $516,000 a year ago, although earnings per share remained unchanged at $.10 per share due to an increase in the weighted average number of shares.

Michael Paolercio, president and chief executive officer of Michael Anthony Jewelers, Inc., commented that the increase in earnings from continuing operations not only reflects the company's improved gross margins (19 percent in this quarter, as compared to 16 percent in the comparable fiscal quarter), but also the integration of the Jardinay manufacturing operations which were purchased from Berisford International PLC in July 1990.

Paolercio also commented that the company's financial position continues to strengthen with the addition of $3,480,000 to stockholders' equity resulting from the purchase of 870,000 shares by Isaac Nussen and George Weisz, two executives of Jardinay. Stated Paolercio, "We have now positioned Michael Anthony Jewelers as one of the leaders in jewelry manufacturing in the United States."

Michael Anthony Jewelers, Inc., designs, manufactures and sells an extensive line of handcrafted and designer 14 karat gold jewelry. The company (including Jardinay) has over 600 customers with over 10,000 locations nationwide, including jewelry distributors, retail stores, jewelry chain stores, catalog showrooms, department stores, mass merchandisers and home video shopping clubs.

MICHAEL ANTHONY JEWELERS, INC., AND SUBSIDIARIES
(Consolidated, Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$25,031	$20,638

Net income	$ 595	$ 516
Earnings (loss) per share	$0.10	$0.10
Weighted average number of shares	5,775	4,988

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BLOOMINGDALE, ILL., (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Florida-based Claire's Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CLE), the nation's premier retailer specializing in popular-priced quality fashion accessories and specialty merchandise, today announced the grand opening of its newest Topkapi store, located in Stratford Square, Bloomingdale, Ill. The store opening celebration begins at 9:15 a.m. with a ribbon cutting ceremony to be followed by a brief reception for invited guests. This new addition represents a significant milestone in Claire's corporate history as it symbolizes the 1,000th store milestone.

"Opening our 1,000th store is a remarkable feat as over the past five years we have more than tripled the number of stores that we own and operate," stated Rowland Schaefer, Claire's Stores chairman and president. "This has enabled us to gain important market share," he continued.

"We look forward to continuing our profitable growth by further penetration of the more than 3,000 malls across America," Schaefer concluded.

Charlotte G. Fischer, president and chief executive officer of Claire's Boutiques, Inc. stated, "We believe that Suburban Chicago will continue to be one of the country's most dynamic marketplaces during the 1990s. This store strengthens our competitive positioning with a new total of 56 stores in this key market and 89 stores throughout the state of Illinois," she concluded.

Claire's Stores recently reported net sales for the month of October, increased 48 percent to a record $17,900,000 from $12,110,000 a year earlier, with same-store sales advancing 7 percent. Sales for the nine months ended Nov. 3, increased 47 percent to $166,780,000 from $113,130,000 in the same period last year, with same-store sales increasing 12 percent.

Recognized today as one of the most profitable specialty growth retailers in America, Claire's Stores and subsidiaries comprise over 1,000 stores in 48 states carrying the names Claire's Boutiques, Dara Michelle, Topkapi, Arcadia, The Art Works and The Picture Show.

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STERLING, VA. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Star Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: STRR) today announced revenue of $7.9 million for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $8.9 million for the same prior-year period. The company reported a net loss of $256,000, or a loss of 4 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $1.4 million, or a loss of 9 cents per share, for the second quarter last year.

For the six months, revenue totaled $16.6 million, compared with $19 million reported for the first half a year ago. The company reported a net loss of $225,000 for the first six months, or a loss of 5 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $1.2 million, or a loss of 8 cents per share, for the same prior-year period.

The company said that revenue for the second quarter of last year was higher than the current year as a result of a $1.1 million product shipment under a classified defense contract. Despite lower revenue levels this year, the company achieved near break-even results for the quarter, a dramatic improvement over the second quarter of the previous year. This improvement resulted from major capital restructuring which reduced interest expense and cost reduction actions taken during last year.

In May 1990, the company announced a $15 million recapitalization program. The proceeds of this private equity placement were used by the company to retire debt and for working capital to support the market introduction of two innovative product families. As a result of the recapitalization, interest expense during the quarter declined 72 percent compared with the same period last year.

The quarter's earnings were also positively impacted by operating expense reductions implemented during the previous year, including a 24 percent decrease in research and development expenditures, as the company nears the completion of the development cycle for these new products. In addition, increased manufacturing efficiencies and an improved product mix contributed to higher gross margins, up from 47 to 56 percent, despite the decline in revenue.

Star Technologies, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of high- performance computing products, including network compute servers, array processors and real-time image generators. Star is the market share and performance leader in array processors for compute-intensive applications in image and signal processing. Star is headquartered at 515 Shaw Road, Sterling, Va., 22170.

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LA JOLLA, CA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - LIDAK Pharmaceuticals (NASDAQ: LDAKU) announced that a registration statement relating to the sale of 625,000 Class C Warrants of the company by private investors has been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Each Class C Warrant is exercisable to purchase one share of the company's Class A common stock for $1.00 through May 26, 1995. The Class C Warrants are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol LDAKZ.

LIDAK Pharmaceuticals is a biotechnology company organized to develop and commercialize innovative pharmaceutical products. The first is a patented, topical therapeutic product which has produced positive results in volunteer human patients suffering from oral and genital herpes infections and certain inflammatory skin diseases.

LIDAK also has engaged in a strategic alliance with Medical Biology Institute (MBI) which includes a 20-year license agreement giving LIDAK exclusive rights to all MBI technology. The first of such technologies is one in which the human immune system has been engineered to function in mice with a genetic defect known as Severe Combined ImmunoDeficiency (SCID) which is being initially commercialized for drug development against AIDS.

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DAVIS, CALIF. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Calgene Inc. (NASDAQ: CGNE) today announced a net loss of $3,642,000 (34 cents per share) on revenues of $4,902,000 for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with a net loss of $2,944,000 (33 cents per share) on revenues of $6,870,000 during the like period last year.

Research and development expenditures for the quarter were $2,542,000, a decrease of 16 percent from the prior year's $3,034,000. Product sales for the company's operating businesses were $3,191,000 compared to $3,732,000 during the like period of the previous year. Product development revenues were $1,120,000 compared to last year's $2,486,000.

"The reduced product development revenues reflect the completion of the research phase of certain of our genetic engineering programs and a one-time sale of technology to a corporate partner for non-core crop applications which occurred in the prior fiscal period," said Roger Salquist, chairman and chief executive officer of Calgene. "In anticipation of this, we took steps last June to reduce our non-core programs which resulted in lower year-to-year R &

D expense. Even with these reductions, we continue to invest in our research and development programs at an annualized rate in excess of $12 million.

"The product development phase of the first of our genetically engineered products, FLAVR SAVR(TM) tomatoes and herbicide-safened cotton reached new milestones with the successful harvest of field trials this fall. Our five-year investment in oils biochemistry research has resulted over the last six months in the completed cloning of three important genes and initiation of the final cloning stages for yet another gene, all of which are essential to the synthesis of specific plant oils," said Salquist.

Canola Subsidy Payments Under 1990 Farm Bill "We experienced a doubling of sales this year at Ameri-Can, our canola seed subsidiary, reflecting the substantial momentum canola is generating as an alternative to winter wheat for U.S. acreage," noted Salquist. "This occurred prior to the finalization of the 1990 farm bill which in future seasons will eliminate the economic penalty growers producing canola have experienced up to now."

Under the existing farm program established by the 1985 Farm Bill, growers are entitled to receive subsidy payments only on acres planted with program crops, including winter wheat, but not acres planted with canola and other "non-program" crops. Under the 1990 Farm Bill now awaiting presidential signature, growers planting canola on acreage eligible for wheat subsidies would receive 92 percent of the payments they would otherwise receive producing winter wheat.

Calgene Inc., is an agribusiness biotechnology company that is developing improved plant varieties and plant products for the seed, food and specialty chemical industries. The company has five operating subsidiaries -- Ameri-Can Pedigreed Seed Co., Calgene Chemical, NobleBear Inc., Plant Genetics Inc. and Stoneville Pedigreed Seed Co.

CALGENE INC.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues:		
Product sales, net	$ 3,191	$ 3,732
Product development revenues	1,120	2,486
Interest income	529	595
Other income, net	62	57
Total revenues	$ 4,902	$ 6,870
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of goods sold	$ 2,763	$ 3,617
Research and development	2,542	3,034

Selling, general and administrative	2,758	2,788
Equity in net loss of affiliates	229	305
Interest expense	251	132
Total costs and expenses	$ 8,543	$ 9,876
Loss before income taxes	(3,641)	(3,006)
Provision for income taxes	1	(62)
Net loss	$(3,642)	$(2,944)
Preferred stock dividends(i)	$ 0	$ 466
Net loss applicable to common shareholders	$(3,642)	$(3,410)
Net loss per share	$ (.34)	$ (.33)
Shares used in the calculation of net loss per share	10,734,230	10,369,813

(i) The dividend payable to shareholders of record as of Sept. 28, 1990, was declared and recorded in the prior quarter.

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GAITHERSBURG, MD (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Genex Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: GNEX) reported that for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, it had total revenues of $.8 million and for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, its total revenues were $3.2 million, compared to total revenues of $1.1 million and $3.5 million for the corresponding periods in 1989.

The net losses for the 1990 three and nine month periods were $1.1 million, or 6 cents per share, and $4.1 million, or 21 cents per share, respectively, compared to $1.6 million, or 8 cents per share and $5.3 million, or 28 cents per share for the corresponding periods of 1989. The 1990 loss per share amounts are affected by a larger number of common shares currently outstanding.

Genex Corporation utilizes its proprietary expertise in protein engineering to design and produce specialized pharmaceuticals and surgical bioadhesives.

GENEX CORPORATION

Consolidated Statement of Operations

(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30(A)		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30(A)	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues				
Product sales and licenses	$ 374	$ 462	$ 1,660	$ 1,349
Technology services	443	669	1,497	2,111
Total	817	1,131	3,157	3,460
Costs of sales				

Product sales and licenses	399	323	1,263	909
Technology services	389	634	1,382	1,569
Total	788	957	2,645	2,478
Gross profit	29	174	512	982
Expenses				
Proprietary research and development	394	616	1,514	2,335
Selling, general and administrative	868	1,409	3,532	4,351
Total	1,262	2,025	5,046	6,686
Operating loss	(1,233)	(1,851)	(4,534)	(5,704)
Nonoperating income (expense)	137	256	422	389
Net loss	(1,096)	(1,595)	(4,112)	(5,315)
Net loss per common share	(0.06)	(0.08)	(0.21)	(0.28)
Weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding	20,059,673	19,517,569	19,920,099	19,086,265

Consolidated Balance Sheets

	Sept. 30, 1990(A)	Dec. 31, 1989
Current Assets	$ 4,118	$ 6,757
Property, plant & equipment	1,108	1,353
Goodwill	1,623	1,694
Other assets	1,635	1,353
Total Assets	8,484	11,157
Current Liabilities	3,308	1,922
Noncurrent portion of capital lease	87	--
Deferred gain on sale/leaseback	690	879
Stockholders' equity	4,399	8,356
Total Liabilities and stockholders' equity	8,484	11,157

(A) unaudited

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Deb Shops Inc. (NASDAQ: DEBS), a women's apparel specialty chain store operation, today reported sales, net income and earnings per share for the third quarter and nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Deb reported comparative results for the three-month and nine-month periods

ended Oct. 31, 1990, and 1989 as follows:

Three months ended Oct. 31	1990	1989
Net sales	$53,159,355	$49,008,024
Net income	1,914,035	1,899,805
Earnings per share	$.12	$.12
Nine months ended Oct. 31	1990	1989
Net sales	$143,790,825	$137,669,662
Net income	6,286,657	7,777,441
Earnings per share	$.40	$.50

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OCALA, FLA. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Mid-State Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: MSSB) is implementing a staff reduction program that is expected to reduce salary and benefit expense by approximately $925,000 per year. Mid-State Federal will incur approximately $200,000 in severance costs during the current quarter as a result of the program.

Charles E. Harris, chairman of the board of Mid-State Federal, said that the staff reductions involved 18 executive and staff positions which were scheduled to be phased out upon completion of the pending acquisition of Mid-State Federal by First Florida Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: FFBK). Harris said that the staff reductions were not dependent upon the acquisition, and would be completed even if the acquisition were delayed or terminated.

"The streamlined management and reduced expenses that will result from these staff reductions make sound business sense in the current economic enivronment regardless of the acquisition," Harris said. "If the acquisition occurs as proposed, these positions would be eliminated by First Florida. If the acquisition is delayed or terminated for some reason, we would still plan to eliminate the positions in order to improve management and profitability," Harris added.

Harris said that the proposed acquisition of Mid-State Federal by First Florida remains pending. He indicated that the transaction has been approved by the stockholders of Mid-State Federal and by the Office of Thrift Supervision but it is still subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, including the receipt of approvals from the office of the Comptroller of the Currency and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Harris said that, while he continues to hope that all approvals will be received and conditions satisfied in time for the transaction to be consummated by year-end 1990, he is increasingly concerned that delays could occur in the receipt of the remaining approvals and the consummation of the acquisition. He added that no assurances could be given that all necessary approvals or conditions

will be received or satisfied.

Mid-State Federal is a publicly held, federally insured and federally chartered stock savings bank with its common stock traded over-the-counter and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "MSSB". With its home office in Ocala, Fla., the thrift has assets of just under $1 billion and operates 26 branch offices within a five county area in west Central Florida.

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DENVER (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Coral Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: COCI) announced today the successful independent third party review of Profile 90 on the Unisys 6080. The work by Promark Inc., a specialist in third party review, showed that Profile 90 will simultaneously handle 200 interactive terminals with an order throughput of 2,500 completed orders per hour on a fully configured Unisys 6080.

Paul Lionti, president and CEO of Coral Cos. said, "The successful benchmark of Profile 90 is significant. Coral was in a position of attempting to put our software on a hardware vendor's machine that did not perform according to specification. This situation hurt Coral's financial position. Now that the software has been independently exonerated, Coral can proceed with its original corporate plan."

"For example," Lionti said, "the results of the benchmark has allowed Coral and the Inmac Corp. (NASDAQ: INMC) the world's largest independent direct marketers of computer supplies, accessories and data communication equipment, to get back on schedule." Software completion will occur on Jan. 31, 1991. The Santa Clara office of Inmac will be the first to go live with Profile 90, with the next installation occurring in Bracknell, England. Thereafter, the remaining six Inmac countries, France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Japan and Holland will go live until all are connected to the system. Coral renegoatiated the sales contract with Inmac which will generate, by Jan. 31, 1991, additional consulting revenue of approximately $830,000 above the original contractual amount. Coral has recognized approximately one-half of these revenues to date.

The initial agreement with Inmac calls for the purchase of an approximately $2 million computer system for installation in the U.S. and the United Kingdom. Subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, INMAC plans to purchase up to an additional $3.2 million of systems from Coral for installation abroad.

Coral Cos., based in Denver, specializes in the global marketing of hardware and software business solutions to companies involved in distribution, direct

marketing and telephone sales, including catalog and fulfillment companies. Currently, it offers two principal products, Profile 90 and Profile 2000, as turnkey packages consisting of software, hardware and related consulting and support services.

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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - General Communication Inc. (GCI) (NASDAQ: GNCMA) today reported a consolidated net income for the third quarter of 1990 totaling $175,000, or 1 cent per share. This compares with third quarter 1989 net income of $590,000, or 4 cents per share. Net income for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30 totaled $749,000, or 5 cents per share, compared with $1,062,000 during the same period of 1989, or 6 cents per share.

Year-to-date revenues through September 1990 totaled $47,138,000, a 24 percent increase over 1989 revenues of $38,100,000. Revenues for the third quarter of 1990 totaled $15,965,000, a 19 percent increase over third quarter 1989 revenues of $13,438,000.

Operating income through September 1990 totaled $2,949,000 as compared to 1989 operating income of $4,559,000. Operating income for the third quarter of 1990 totaled $894,000 as compared to third quarter 1989 operating income of $1,541,000.

Jack Hughes, GCI's senior vice president for marketing and sales, attributed the substantial improvement in revenues to increases in minutes of traffic carried and growth in private line operations, additional revenues associated with operating agreements with other common carriers, and additional revenues associated with the equipment sales and service operations of the company's wholly owned subsidiary, Transalaska Network Systems Inc.

Operating income and net income decreased in 1990 as compared to 1989 as a result of increases in operating costs attributed to network expansion efforts and transmission revenue growth, and additional legal and regulatory costs associated with the company's effort to gain authority to provide intrastate services. In general, the company has added personnel and capacity in order to position itself to take advantage of future growth opportunities.

GCI, an Alaska-owned and operated long distance telephone carrier, has more than 80,000 customers throughout Alaska.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - American Plastics and Chemicals Inc. (NASDAQ: APAC) today announced that it has signed an agreement to acquire the Acme Power Plant located in Sheridan, Wyoming. The purchase, which is being made for an undisclosed amount, will be accomplished through notes and a profits interest participation.

The Acme facility is a twelve megawatt coal-fired steam plant and formerly a base-loaded plant for Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. It has been inactive since 1977 when it was taken off-line in anticipation of new nuclear generating capacity in the service area. APAC has formed Acme Power Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary, which will bring the Acme Plant up to current environmental standards with appropriate emission controls prior to putting it back on-line. The plant will initially operate in a conventional mode, using local purchased coal.

"In addition to providing a steady revenue stream for APAC through electric power sales, the modest capacity of the plant and its modular design will make it an ideal vehicle for a long term commercial demonstration of the desulphurizing coal gasification process which APAC has optioned from California Carbide of Costa Mesa, California," said William Morris, President of APAC.

"This demonstration program in a commercial electric utility environment will take the desulphurizing gasification technology out of its pilot stage and make it ready for the retrofit of other coal- fired facilities. There are currently over 900 U.S. coal-fired facilities which are facing modifications or shutdown in order to comply with the new standards under the federal Clean Air Act of 1990," Morris stated.

According to Morris, APAC's consulting engineers estimate that it will take approximately one year to bring the plant on-line after power sale contracts, environmental permits, and project financing have been set in place.

"Although we have our plate fairly full negotiating contracts to develop several chemical plants in the Far East, we felt we could not pass up this unique opportunity to commercialize this important technology in its electric utility context. It fits into our long- term business strategy of demonstrating the environmentally acceptable uses of coal," Morris added.

American Plastics and Chemicals Inc. is a development-stage company engaged in demonstrating the commercial viability, licensing and utilization of certain proprietary technology in the cost effective co-production of calcium carbide and fuel gases from raw coal and limestone.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The statutory waiting period for federal government antitrust review of the sale of Itel Corporation's (NYSE: ITL) container leasing and services assets to General Electric Capital Corporation has expired.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - ASM International N.V. (NASDAQ: ASMIF), today announced weakened results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. The poor performance reflected diverse business conditions prevalent in various international markets and segments of the company's semiconductor equipment business which more than offset gains in selected areas. The extremely negative market situation for fabrication equipment in both Eastern and Western Europe was the major factor behind the decline. The weak U.S. and Hong Kong dollars against the Dutch guilder also impacted results.

Third quarter net sales slid nearly 20 percent from the 1989 period and nine months net sales dropped 14 percent. For the three months, the company reported a net loss of Dfls (12.6) million vs. a profit of Dfls 1.0 million for the comparable quarter a year ago. The nine months net loss of Dfls (17.6) million represented a substantial swing from earnings of Dfls 8.8 million for the similar period in 1989.

"The worst of the year is behind us," commented Arthur H. del Prado, president and chief executive officer. "Certainly the pendulum is turning toward sharply increased sales for the fourth quarter." Backlog, at Sept. 30, 1990, stood at Dfls 286.8 million, 10.6 percent higher than the Dfls 259.3 million reported at the end of June. The company indicated that U.S. operations represent an increasing part of this backlog.

During the third quarter, the company said its European wafer processing operations continued to struggle through depressed times for the integrated circuit industry. The turbulent environment was exacerbated by intense competition from U.S. dollar based manufacturers who are benefiting from a dollar marked at an all-time low to the Dutch guilder. Major cost cutting programs were introduced at ASM Europe to cope with the contracted market. With no clear indication of the timing of an industry recovery, the 1991 outlook for ASM Europe is uncertain.

"On the other hand, our other major European based operation, ASM Fico, should enjoy a healthy fourth quarter and its best year ever, after a slightly disappointing third quarter hampered by lower gross margins and seasonal influences," remarked del Prado. "Furthermore, ASM Fico is looking at substantial volume increases next year.

"Like Europe, our U.S. operations showed mixed results. While ASM America is still operating at a loss, ASM Epitaxy recorded its fourth consecutive profitable quarter, and we foresee no disruptions in this trend for the coming year.

"Our Far Eastern operations, ASM Pacific Technology, headquartered in Hong Kong, felt the effects of start-up costs on new facilities in China and Singapore as well as technical production problems associated with the newest bonder product. The lower volumes plus higher expenses accounted for the temporarily lower levels of profitability. A progressive recovery can be expected as soon as these facilities come fully on stream."

According to del Prado, ASM Japan returned to profitability in the third quarter after a second quarter loss reflecting reduced volumes and a lower margined product mix. A substantial volume improvement is anticipated for the fourth quarter, and in line with industry projections for increased capital expenditures for 4-megabit production lines and 16-megabit pilot lines, significant increases are expected in 1991. However, current expenses for additional capacity to meet the expected upturn may keep the bottom line under pressure for the short term.

ASM International N.V., headquartered in Bilthoven, the Netherlands, dedicates its resources to the research, development, manufacturing, marketing and servicing of equipment and materials used to produce semiconductor devices. The company provides production solutions for the main areas of semiconductor production: wafer processing, assembly and encapsulation. The company's principal facilities in the Netherlands, the United States, Hong Kong and Japan enable it to meet local specifications and to sell and service its products in the world's major semiconductor markets of Europe, the United States and Asia.

NOTE: At Sept. 30, 1990, 1.766 Dutch guilders equaled one U.S. dollar.

ASM INTERNATIONAL N.V.
(Consolidated, Unaudited)
(In Netherlands guilders, thousands except per share)

Periods ended		Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30		1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	Dfls	72,075	89,903	260,414	301,217
Cost and expenses:					
Cost of sales		49,331	52,171	162,956	177,316

Selling, general and admin.	22,857	20,919	72,388	72,340
Research and development	9,016	9,210	28,514	26,584
Interest, net	3,450	3,137	10,164	8,210
Foreign currency transaction (gains) losses	65	412	393	(697)
Total	84,719	85,849	274,415	283,753
Earnings (loss) before income taxes and minority interest in net earnings of subsidiary (ASM Pacific Technology)	(12,644)	4,054	(14,001)	17,464
Income taxes (credit)	(409)	1,175	848	4,083
Earnings (loss) before minority interest in net earnings of subsidiary	(12,235)	2,879	(14,849)	13,381
Minority interest in net earnings of subsidiary	382	1,853	2,735	4,542
Net earnings (loss)	Dfls (12,617)	1,026	(17,584)	8,839
Earns. (loss) per share: Bef. minority interest in net earns. of subsidiary	Dfls (1.65)	0.39	(2.00)	1.88
Minority interest in net earnings of subsidiary	0.05	0.25	0.37	0.64
Net earnings (loss)	Dfls (1.70)	0.14	(2.37)	1.24
Average number of common shares outstanding	7,404	7,404	7,404	7,111

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RALEIGH, N.C. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Firstcorp, Inc. (AMEX: FCR) reported that the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) has rejected the capital plan filed by the company's principal subsidiary, First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Raleigh (FFR), and requested that FFR enter into a consent agreement governing its operations.

At the same time, the OTS has agreed to consider FFR for inclusion in the Accelerated Resolution Program (ARP), whereby the institution could be quickly sold to another financial institution seeking to build market share in the FFR service area.

"Several financial institutions have expressed interest in acquiring First Federal of Raleigh," said Willard G. Ross, President of First Federal of Raleigh. "Acquisition of First Federal of Raleigh would provide an acquiror with a significant share in this market and would clearly be in the best interests of all concerned."

The Accelerated Resolution Program is administered jointly by the OTS and

Resolution Trust Corporation to assist in placing troubled institutions with other institutions seeking to acquire or increase market share in that institution's market area. Only institutions with good management, stable operations and recognizable franchise value are considered as candidates for the ARP. "With its significant market share, First Federal is a prime candidate for the ARP program," Ross stated.

FFR's capital plan primarily involved the bulk sale of Real Estate Owned and nonperforming assets to a nonaffiliated liquidating entity. According to Ross, FFR's capital plan was not approved because a combination of three factors -- the escalating uncertainty of the financial markets, continued deterioration of national and local real estate markets, and the increased restrictions imposed on FFR's operations by the federal regulators -- significantly reduced the likelihood that the bulk sale could be successfully consummated.

Firstcorp is the parent company of 1st Federal of Raleigh, 1st Federal of Durham and 1st Security of Pinehurst. Firstcorp's subsidiaries operate twenty-two full service offices in four counties in North Carolina which include the Research Triangle and Sandhillls areas. Deposits in the savings institution subsidiaries continue to be insured to applicable limits by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

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#90319p7199 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Leading energy project developer O'Brien Energy Systems (AMEX: OBS), today announced results for the fiscal 1991 first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenue for the period was $7,350,000 compared to $12,599,000 for the same quarter last year. The company reported a loss for the quarter of $689,000 or 5 cents per share, versus net income of $560,912 or 5 cents per share in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

"As expected, we experienced a decrease in sales for the current year's quarter as the result of a non-recurring $5 million equipment sale made in last year's first quarter. Otherwise, operating results were comparable for the two quarters, typical of periods when large projects are under construction," said Chief Financial Officer Joel Cooperman said.

"The first of our large wholly owned plants, the 52 MW Newark Project, operating under a 25-year agreement with Newark Group Industries, was accepted and put on-line last week. As a result, we anticipate significantly greater performance for the remainder of the year," Cooperman said.

O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS
(Unaudited)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989(A)
Revenues	$7,350,000	$12,599,000
Net income (loss)	(689,000)	560,912
Earnings (loss) per share	($.05)	$.05
Avg. number of shares outstanding	12,732,000	12,258,000

(A) -- Results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989 have been restated to reflect the acquisition of Mobile Power Rental Company. Such acquisition was treated in a manner similar to a pooling of interests.

CONTACT: Hal LeVay of Porter, LeVay & Rose, 212-564-4700, for O'Brien Energy Systems

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#90319p7200 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, N.J. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Dataram Corp. (AMEX: DTM), a developer, manufacturer and marketer of innovative computer memory and peripheral products, today reported revenues and earnings for the second quarter and six months of fiscal 1991.

Revenues for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $6.9 million compared to the $4.2 million reported in the year earlier period. Net earnings were $265,000 or $.21 per share vs. $489,000 or $.25 per share in the prior year second quarter.

For the six months of fiscal 1991, revenues were $13.7 million compared to the $8 million reported in fiscal 1990. Net earnings totalled $642,000 or $.51 per share vs. $904,000 or $.47 per share reported for the comparable period last year.

Despite the second quarter shortfall in net earnings and earnings per share, President and Chief Executive Officer Robert V. Tarantino said he was pleased with the company's sustained rapid and profitable penetration of the expanding computer workstation market.

"Our ability to identify specialized needs in this dynamic market -- which is growing at a 35 percent compounded annual rate -- has enabled us to considerably improve revenues, broaden our product line and enter the markets of additional original equipment manufacturers," he said. "We have the premier product development, sales and marketing infrastructure in place to capitalize on future opportunities in the workstation marketplace."

Tarantino also noted steady improvement in the company's international operations, where Dataram's add-on memory boards cost- efficiently serve

minicomputer and workstation users in Canada and Europe. "We have 40 authorized distributors throughout Europe and are well positioned to maximize opportunities when the Western European Economic Community unites in 1992," he stated.

Tarantino said continuing market softness for WIDE WORD, a high-end memory product used primarily by the U.S. government for specialized high-speed computer applications, was largely responsible for the decline in net earnings. He added that federal budgetary cutbacks have hurt demand for WIDE WORD and could not predict when government sales would rebound.

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#90319p7202 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CORAL GABLES, FLA. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - William F. Donnelly, marketing and research specialist at Minneapolis' Fallon McElligott Advertising for the past eight years, has joined Crispin & Porter Advertising, Coral Gables, Fla. He will become a partner in the agency with the title of vice president-client services.

"Overnight, this makes us a very different agency," said Charles Crispin. "Bill Donnelly has helped create breakthrough marketing success stories for people like The Wall Street Journal, Porsche, Lee Jeans and US West. With him aboard, we can offer the kind of smart, focused strategy development that can compete with any agency, anywhere."

Donnelly spent 12 years in research and media at BBDO, first in New York, later as head of that agency's Minneapolis office. He directed research and planning on accounts such as Campbell Soup, Scott Paper, Gillette and 3M. In 1982, he left BBDO as a vice president to become the director of marketing for a new Minneapolis agency called Fallon McElligott. Over the next eight years -- in perhaps the most stunning advertising success story of the '80s -- Fallon's billing soared from $4 million to over $140 million. At the same time the agency built one of the strongest creative reputations in the industry.

The Donnelly partnership completes a transition at Crispin & Porter that began nearly three years ago. At that time, Charles Crispin became the managing director and Chuck Porter joined the shop as creative director. Since then, the agency has doubled in size, winning accounts from some nationally known agencies. Del Monte Tropical Fruit came from McKinney-Silver, Palm Beach came from The Martin Agency. Most recently, Crispin & Porter won the national network television account of Personnel Pool of America. The agency also won more golds at the last Miami addy awards than any other shop.

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#90319p7204 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard Churchill, president of Consolidated American Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: COAM) announced today Consolidated has entered into an agreement for the acquisition of all the issued and outstanding stock of American Liberty Mining Corporation, a Nevada Corp. American Liberty is the holder of unpatented mining claims in Stevens County, State of Washington, known locally as the Schumaker Mine.

George D. Hennessay, consulting geologist of Liberty Lake, Wash. has advised Consolidated the Schumaker Mine contains minable reserves of 160,000 tons with an average grade of 8 percent zinc. The reserves consist of the following estimated amounts:

Proven Reserves	34,000 tons	11.03 percent zinc
Probable Reserves	15,000 tons	9.55 percent zinc
Possible Reserves	111,000 tons	8.40 percent zinc

According to Hennessay the Schumaker Mine has undergone intermittent mining since 1946. Extensive underground workings have developed the property to a point where it is possible to set up and produce 100 tons per day within approximately a 90 day period.

CONTACT: D. J. Calvin of Consolidated American Industries, Inc., 614-228-8120

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#90319p7206 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Toy industry analysts and national retailers have identified Mattel's new Magic Nursery doll as one of the best-selling new toys for 1990. Mattel (NYSE: MAT) expects to generate more than $60 million in worldwide revenue with Magic Nursery alone this holiday season and retailers have been reporting shortages since the product was introduced in September. Magic Nursery dolls feature a unique transformation process which allows children to experience the magical discovery of the distinctive features of their own special baby -- just like in real life. When a child receives a Magic Nursery baby, she doesn't know whether the doll is a boy or a girl until the doll's outer homecoming robe is removed and immersed in water. The garment magically disappears, revealing a waterproof packet which says, "It's A Boy" or "It's a Girl," as well as a new, permanent outfit and matching ID bracelets for the doll and new "Mommy."

The large doll category is experiencing renewed growth, and Mattel has become known for its innovation in competitive product features. Last year, Mattel had the three top large dolls in the marketplace. Li'l Miss Make-Up, Li'l Miss Dress Up and P.J. Sparkles -- each selling over 1 million units -- helped to generate $110 million in worldwide revenue for Mattel's large doll category.

Mattel expects to approach $200 million in worldwide large doll revenue in 1990 due to the success of Magic Nursery, and continued strong demand for Li'l Miss and P.J. Sparkles dolls.

"We feel that one of the reasons for the instant popularity of Magic Nursery is that it takes the world of nurturing play one step closer to real life, and the child experiences the pride of having an individual, one-of-a-kind baby, just like a real Mom," said Jocelyn Carter-Miller, vice president of marketing at Mattel.

One of the many special features of Magic Nursery is that one in every 36 dolls in a twin, entitling the child to receive a second doll from Mattel, at no additional cost, when the serialized card is redeemed (a).

There are over 800 variations of the doll, including differences in style and color of hair, garment, eye color, and evey belly button (innie or outie).

Additional features include a magical heart on the doll's cheek that turns into a star each time the child kisses it, and a Magic Nursery Book which provides space for a family tree, the baby's first picture, a lock of the baby's hair and a footprint. The book also includes baby shower invitations, a list of suggested names, plus lists for the child to fill out chronicling baby's exciting "firsts" and "favorites." There is also a line of Magic Nursery accessories, ranging from fashions to "Bye-Bye Diapers," which when immersed in water, dissolve to reveal training pants for the doll.

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#90319p7208 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAIFA, ISRAEL (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Elron Electronic Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: ELRNF) today announced its unaudited consolidated financial results for the third fiscal quarter and the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Consolidated revenues for the three and nine month periods were $91.3 million and $265.0 million, respectively, as compared with $42.2 million and $117.5 million in the same periods last year. Consolidated revenues represent primarily revenues of Elbit Computers Ltd. (NASDAQ: ELBTF), the company's 55.4 percent subsidiary.

Commencing in 1990, Elbit began consolidating the financial results of Elscint Ltd. (NYSE: ELT). Out of the $265 million in nine-month consolidated revenues, $114 million derived from Elscint. Elron's consolidated revenues do not include sales of affiliates whose results are only shown on an equity basis.

Aggregate revenues of all Elron subsidiaries and affiliates for the three and nine month periods were approximately $122 million and $372 million,

respectively, as compared with $108 million and $310 million for the same periods last year.

Net income for the quarter under review was $1.82 million, or $0.11 per share, as compared with a net loss of $97 thousand, or a loss of $0.01 per share, in the parallel quarter of 1989. For the nine month period, net income was $5.0 million, or $0.34 per share, as compared with a net loss of $594 thousand, or a loss of $0.05 per share in the same period last year.

The contribution of the publicly-traded subsidiaries and affiliates to the company's profitability during the nine months under review amounted to $10.1 million, as compared with $6.63 million in the same period last year. Elbit (55.4 percent owned) contributed $8.9 million, Optrotech Ltd. (38.4 percent owned) contributed $428 thousand, and Fibronics International Inc. (30 percent owned) contributed $778 thousand.

Elron's unconsolidated expenses, which amounted to $5.0 million, include research and development expenses of the company's in-house "projects-in-incubation", current losses in new ventures, general and administrative and finance expenses.

In accordance with Elbit's dividend policy, its board of directors declared a cash dividend of six cents per ordinary share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, to be paid on January 7, 1990. Elron's share of the Elbit dividend for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to $1,503,426.

Elron Electronic Industries Ltd., a diversified high technology company based in Israel, operates through subsidiaries and affiliates, each one focused in well-defined market segments. Elron also develops state-of-the-art technologies with nuclei of engineers and scientists with the purpose of creating new entrepreneurial high-tech companies.

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#90319p7209 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - North Canadian Oils Ltd. (AMEX: NCD; Toronto, Montreal: NCO) announced the appointment of Grant Billing as executive vice-president of the company. The appointment is effective immediately and Grant will continue to report to Norm Gish, president and chief executive officer.

In addition to his responsibilities for the Marketing and Power groups, Grant will now have the Operations group report to him through Jack Gunn, senior vice-president, operations. The appointment of an executive vice-president at NCO recognizes the substantial growth which is occurring in the company.

North Canadian Oils Ltd. is a financially and technically strong, Canadian oil and gas exploration, production and marketing company. The company's common shares are traded on the Toronto and Montreal Stock Exchanges in Canada and the American Stock Exchange in the United States.

CONTACT: Norman R. Gish, president and CEO, North Canadian Oils Ltd., 403-261-3210

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#90319p7211 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, NJ (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Graphic Scanning Corp. (NASDAQ: GSCC) announced today that Switchco, Inc., Graphic Scanning's 79 percent owned subsidiary, received a written offer from a third party to purchase 100 percent of the capital stock of Switchco's wholly-owned subsidiary, Spectrum Communications & Electronics Corp., for $6.5 million. This offer is currently being considered by Switchco's board of directors. Graphic Scanning supports such sale and intends to give its approval if given the opportunity.

Graphic Scanning Corp. is a leading provider of telecommunications services in the United States and a growing provider of telecommunications services in the United Kingdom. Graphic Scanning operates one of the nation's largest radio paging businesses, is a major holder in two cellular radio telephone partnerships, and serves the corporate syndicate communications needs of the country's investment banking community. In addition, the company participates through joint ventures in wireless cable and FM broadcast operations.

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#90319p7212 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - NeoRx Corp. (NASDAQ: NERX) has announced the issuance of U.S. Patent No. 4,965,392, entitled "Chelating Compounds for Metal-Radionuclide Labeled Proteins," expected to be the first of several U.S. patents covering NeoRx's N3S chelating compounds.

The chelating compounds are used to produce imaging products based on Tc-99M and therapeutic products based on Re-186/188. Scientists at NeoRx use the chelates to bind radionuclides to antiobodies, and the resulting radiolabled antibody can then be used to diagnose and treat cancer.

One of the N3S chelating compounds produces the only chelate ever shown to stably bind a therapy radionuclide to an antibody in patients. The stable binding results in five times greater delivery of radiation to the tumor target, compared to the unstable yttrium chelates used by NeoRx's competitors. NeoRx plans to include the chelate formed by the patented chelating compounds in the next generation of its OncoTrac(R) small cell lung cancer imaging kit.

The N3S patent augments NeoRx's series of U.S. and foreign patents and pending applications on related N2S2 chelating technology, used in NeoRx's first two products.

NeoRx Corporation is developing monoclonal antibody-based pharmaceutical products for in vivo detection and treatment of certain types of cancer. The company has four cancer clinical trials in progress and has filed for marketing approval with the FDA for two OncoTrac(R) imaging products to detect metastatic melanoma and small cell lung cancer.

CONTACT: Robert M. Littauer, vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer of NeoRx Corp., (206) 286-2519; or Anthony J. Russo, Ph.D. or Susan A. Noonan of Noonan/Russo Communications, (212) 979-9180, for NeoRx Corp.

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#90319p7215 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

AVON, MASS. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Kiddie Products, Inc. (OTC) reported sales for the first nine months of 1990 were $25,826,326 as compared to $23,619,143 for the similar period last year. Net income was $1,128,004 as compared to $1,025,874 for first nine months of 1989. Earnings per share, based on the average number of shares outstanding in each period (374,710 in 1990 and 1989), were $3.01 for first nine months of 1990 and $2.74 for the similar period last year.

Net sales for the third quarter declined by $144,000 from the third quarter of 1989. The company believes that uncertainties about the economy and the Mideast adversely affected the buying decisions of the retail industry and caused the decline in sales. Any effect of these uncertainties on future sales cannot presently be determined. Accordingly, the decline in net sales for the third quarter may not be indicative of net sales to be expected for the fourth quarter of 1990.

The company introduced 41 new products at this fall's Juvenile Products Manufacturers Trade Show, including several new play and health & safety items. First shipments to retailers are expected in the first quarter of 1991. The First Years product line continues to be supported by aggressive public relations and communications efforts toward the consumer, trade, and childcare professionals. The company continues its emphasis on new product development as a corporate priority.

KIDDIE PRODUCTS, INC.
Interim Operating Report

	Three months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 8,101,581	$ 8,245,599

Income before taxes on income	521,510	646,449
Provision for taxes on income	208,900	225,100
Net income	$ 312,610	$ 421,349
Earnings per share of common stock	83 cents	$1.12
Average number of shares outstanding	374,710	374,710

	Nine months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$25,826,326	$23,619,143
Income before taxes on income	1,880,004	1,621,274
Provision for taxes on income	752,000	595,400
Net income	$1,128,004	$1,025,874
Earnings per share of common stock	$3.01	$2.74
Average number of shares outstanding	374,710	374,710

Note: Unaudited and subject to year-end adjustment.

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#90319p7217 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MORRIS TOWNSHIP, N.J. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied-Apical Company has begun operation of a new plant in Pasadena, Texas to produce polyimide film. Allied-Apical is a joint venture of Allied-Signal Inc., Kanegafuchi Chemical Industry Company, Ltd. and Nichimen America Inc.

The facility, with annual production capacity of more than 300,000 pounds, will produce APICAL polyimide film for use in the electronics, military and aerospace markets in applications such as flexible circuit boards, wire and cable insulation, gaskets and drive belts.

"This Allied-Apical Company facility is a prime example of international cooperation in the quest for manufacturing excellence and products of uncompromising quality," said Frederic M. Poses, president, Allied-Signal Engineered Materials. "This efficient, new facility gives polyimide film users not only an alternative domestic source of supply, but also a source for a superior performing polyimide film. The plant incorporates more advanced production and quality control technology than that previously available in the United States."

Allied-Signal is an advanced technology company with businesses in aerospace, automotive products and engineered materials.

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#90319p7218 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Atek Metals Center, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: ATKM) announced today its audited results for fiscal 1990. For the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, Atek reported net earnings of $1,223,000 ($0.30 per share) compared to a loss of $438,000 (($0.15) per share) in fiscal 1989. Revenues increased 6.8 percent to $54,793,000 from $51,283,000 for the previous year. Average shares outstanding numbered 3,730,231 in 1990 and 3,732,231 in 1989.

For the fourth quarter of 1990, the company showed net earnings of $498,000 ($0.13 per share) compared to a net loss of $477,000 (($0.14) per share) for the same period in 1989. Revenues increased 12.7 percent to $14,405,000 from $12,777,000 in 1989.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

(Dollars in thousands except per share data)

	Fourth Quarter Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$14,405	$12,777
Gross Profit	3,590	1,791
Operating Profit (Loss)	1,408	(202)
Net Earnings (Loss)	498	(477)
Earnings (Loss) Per Share	0.13	(0.14)
Average Shares Outstanding	3,730,231	3,732,231
	Year Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$54,793	$51,283
Gross Profit	11,902	9,854
Operating Profit (Loss)	3,336	803
Net Earnings (Loss)	1,223	(438)
Earnings (Loss) Per Share	0.30	(0.15)
Average Shares Outstanding	3,730,231	3,732,231

Atek Metals Center, Inc. provides high performance materials and manufacturing services worldwide through four related divisions:

- Distribution
- Polymet Corp. -- Specialty Wire Manufacturing and Processing
- CTS, Inc. -- Specialty Coating Manufacturing Services
- XYTORR Corp. -- Research and Development of Vacuum Coating

Technology Atek's primary markets include the aircraft engine segment of the the aerospace industry and the petrochemical segment of the chemical process industry.

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#90319p7220 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
NORWALK, CONN. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Leon C. Hirsch, chairman of United States Surgical Corporation (NYSE: USS), announced today that, "The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved the company's petition for reclassification of silk sutures. The FDA also granted USSC permission to market silk sutures under the 510(k) process."

USSC has now completed all regulatory requirements necessary to enter the $1.3 billion suture segment of the wound closure market. The company plans to introduce its suture line during the first quarter of 1991.

"The addition of a full line of technologically advanced sutures will increase the productivity of the company's sales force, provide potential for significant growth in an area where currently we have no market presence, and offer our customers better service with a full range of wound closure products " Hirsch added.

United States Surgical Corporation is the world's largest manufacturer and marketer of surgical staplers and a leader in the growing field of minimally invasive surgery.

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#90319p7221 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
JACKSONVILLE, FLA. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - In its first use of powers granted last year by the Federal Reserve Board, Barnett Brokerage Services, Inc. today completed the underwriting of a $5.17 million Port St. Lucie municipal revenue bond issue.

"This new underwriting power is a natural extension of Barnett's ability to offer full-service financing to our municipal clients," said James W.C. Daniel chairman and chief executive officer of Barnett Brokerage Service, an affiliate of Barnett Bank, Inc. (NYSE: BBI). "The bonds were well received by our clients."

The underwriting was done by Barnett Capital Markets Group, a division of Barnett Brokerage Service. The Capital Markets Group provides financial advisory and underwriting services to issuers of tax exempt debt.

"This issue will provide Barnett an opportunity to offer its customers an attractive investment incorporating a favorable taxable-equivalent yield compared to treasury securities," Daniel said.

The City of Port St. Lucie Certificates of Participation will finance a new

three-story building to house police headquarters and other city offices. The bonds were offered at tax-free yields ranging from 5.90 percent for bonds maturing in 1991 to 6.70 percent for bonds maturing in 1999. The bonds, which are insured by Financial Guaranty Insurance Co., are rated Aaa and AAA by Moody's and Standard & Poors respectively.

With $31.4 billion in assets and 590 offices in Florida and Georgia, Barnett is the leading financial institution in Florida and the 20th largest in the country. The company's stock (BBI) is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Bob Stickler, 904-791-5437 (office) or 904-396-9284 (home); or Russ Hoadley, 904-791-5013 (office) or 904-260-4658 (home), both of Barnett Banks, Inc.

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#90319p7223 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Burton Group plc today reported the following preliminary results for the financial year ended Sept. 1.

THE BURTON GROUP PLC
1990 ANNUAL RESULTS

-- Retail sales increase 5.5 percent to 1.736 M pounds sterling
-- Profit before tax 133.1 M pounds (1989 - 216.8 M pounds)
-- Market share increased to 12.5 percent (1989 - 12.2 percent)
-- Earnings per share 17.3p (1989 - 26.1p)
-- Full year dividend 6.0p per share (1989 - 9.2p)
-- Sale of financial services division yields 182.7 M pounds cash
-- Supplementary interest of 7.4 M pounds provided on convertible bonds in 1990 (prior year comparatives restated)
-- Extraordinary writedown of property development 119.5 M pounds net of tax -- Capital expenditure 139 M pounds
-- Debt 313 M pounds (1989 - 346 M pounds)
-- Shareholders' funds 738 M pounds (1989 - 727 M pounds)
-- Gearing 42 percent (1989 - 48 percent)

Millions pounds	1990	1989(a)	Pct. chg.
Group turnover			
Retailing	1,736.2	1,645.8	5.5
Financial services	--	--	--
Property	65.1	172.7	(62.3)
Total	1,801.3	1,818.5	(0.9)
Profit before taxation and extraordinary items	133.1	216.8	(38.6)
Earnings per share	17.3p	26.1p	(33.7)
Dividend per share	6.0p	9.2p	(34.8)

(a) Restated to include supplementary interest on 4.75 percent Convertible

Bonds

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#90319p7224 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBOROUGH, MASS. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - GTE Government Systems Corp. today announced receipt of a $14.2 million contract from the U.S. Air Force to provide modernized electronic equipment that will power guidance systems for the nation's land-based, intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBMs).

The award, made by the Air Force Air Logistics Command, Hill Air Force Base, Ogden, Utah, calls for GTE's Strategic Systems Division to design, develop, test and deliver power-supply units for the nation's ICBM launch facilities (unmanned silo sites) and launch-control facilities (manned sites). Under the agreement, GTE will deliver 1,163 power-supply units beginning in May 1992 and continuing through April 1996.

The GTE-designed 28-volt, 36-ampere power supply will replace a linear regulator with a switch-mode regulator that will protect the missile-guidance systems from excess voltage.

The initial contract of $6.8 million has six options estimated at $7.4 million bringing the total value to $14.2 million.

A GTE subcontractor on the program, Lambda Novatronics of Pompano Beach, Fla., will manufacture the power-supply equipment.

GTE's Strategic Systems Division, part of the corporation's Command Control and Communications System Sector, is a leader in command, control and communications and information-processing systems for strategic deterrence and defense programs.

GTE subsidiaries operate in 46 states and 41 countries, with combined revenues and sales of $17.4 billion and net income of $1.4 billion in 1989.

GTE is a leader in its three core businesses -- telecommunications, lighting and precision materials -- providing products and services worldwide.

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#90319p7226 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

OTTAWA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - SHL Systemhouse Inc. (NASDAQ: SHKIF; Toronto, Montreal: ME) of Ottawa today announced the results for its fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

In a separate release today, the company commented on the process announced in May of this year of finding a buyer for all its outstanding shares.

Revenues for the 12 months were $689.2 million compared with $630.8 million for the period one year earlier.

Net loss for the year ended Aug. 31 was $40.6 million or $1.10 per share compared with net income of $15.3 million or 58 cents per share for the period one year earlier. The weighted average number of shares for fiscal year 1990 was 36.8 million. For 1989, it was 26.4 million.

Net loss for the year included $35.6 million or 97 cents per share in non-recurring items comprising principally the write-off of goodwill in operations acquired in prior years, and the write-offs of amounts owing from companies related to Kinburn Corporation announced in the second quarter. Excluding these non-recurring items, net loss for the year was $5.1 million or 13 cents per share.

Fourth quarter revenues were $161.4 million compared with $142.7 million in the fourth quarter last year. Net loss was $12.1 million or 32 cents per share compared with a net income of $3.4 million or 13 cents per share in 1989. The loss for the fourth quarter included $2.8 million in provisions against a receivable and $900,000 in expenses associated with the process of seeking a buyer for all the company's outstanding shares.

On Aug. 31, 1990, shareholders' equity stood at $247.7 million or $6.65 per share vs. $287.1 million or $7.71 per share, one year ago. Tangible net book value stood at $3.96 vs. $4.35 at year end last year.

In commenting on the figures released today Systemhouse Chairman Rod Bryden said, "Fourth quarter results were better than our forecasts in ComputerLand Canada. Profits increased, with increased sales and product margins compared with the third quarter. In ComputerGroup (UK), the fourth quarter reported a small loss rather than a small profit which had been forecast. Increased expenses, partly reflecting building service capacity, accounted for the shortfall in ComputerGroup. Revenues and margins were on plan.

"The major shortfall was in Systemhouse operations, which recorded a loss, resulting from revenue shortfall in both Canada and the United States. This reflected a significant drop in new orders during the second half of the year which impacted revenues in the fourth quarter. Operating expenses were slightly below plan in both Canadian and U.S. operations.

"New orders dropped sharply in the second half, rebounding late in the year and now are at all-time-high levels. New orders in Systemhouse operations were $118 million in the first half of fiscal year 1990, but less than $40 million in the second half. In the first two months of the new fiscal year contracts signed exceeded $70 million.

"The principal event which accounts for this swing is the confusion among customers surrounding the Kinburn financial difficulties announced early in quarter three. These difficulties of the company's majority shareholder were initially interpreted as affecting the financial strength and stability of the company. By the end of August, the financial strength of Systemhouse was again understood, evidenced by the value of contracts signed in September and October.

"Organizational changes announced in the fourth quarter and early in September are also producing good results. On Sept. 1, new management compensation plans and hiring policies were introduced to reduce expenses and improve operating margins.

"Up to the end of October, Systemhouse operations are performing to business plan which calls for profits for the quarter.

"The operations of ComputerLand Canada continue to perform well in the context of a tight market, with continued profitability expected. The U.K. market has reflected the same trends as Canada with ComputerGroup expected to contribute to overall net income.

"In total, SHL Systemhouse Inc. is performing well through the first two months of our first quarter and we expect to see solid profits both in the quarter and throughout the year," concluded Bryden.

(All figures expressed in Canadian dollars.)

SHL SYSTEMHOUSE INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(In thousands of Canadian dollars, except per share amounts)

	Year ended Aug. 31		
	1990	1989	1988
Revenues	$689,240	$630,827	$230,145
Less cost of hardware and licensed software sold	441,821	398,547	107,189
Operating revenue	247,419	232,280	122,956
Operating expenses:			
Operating & administration	228,228	186,478	115,327
Depreciation & amortization	14,530	11,012	6,039
Total	242,758	197,490	121,366
Operating income before unusual items	4,661	34,790	1,590

Unusual items	(35,583)	--	--
Interest income	9,190	9,898	10,598
Interest expense:			
Long term debt	(4,811)	(17,529)	(4,601)
Other debt	(11,103)	(7,998)	(268)
Income (loss) before the following	(37,646)	19,161	7,319
Provision for income tax	2,939	6,856	3,578
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	(40,585)	12,305	3,741
Extraordinary item	--	3,034	2,072
Net income (loss)	(40,585)	15,339	5,813
Basic earnings per common share:			
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	(1.10)	0.47	0.14
Net income (loss)	(1.10)	0.58	0.22
Weighted average number of shares outstanding (000's)	36,838	26,431	26,602

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands of Canadian dollars)

	8/31/90	8/31/89
ASSETS		
Current:		
Cash and short term investments	$ 71,544	$ 82,499
Accounts receivable	126,627	117,603
Inventory	62,017	59,538
Work in process	25,458	40,953
Prepaid expenses	12,743	10,653
Total	298,389	311,246
Other short term investments	4,500	30,057
Fixed assets	49,929	46,966
Goodwill	100,394	125,400
Other	4,658	1,683
Total	457,870	515,352
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY Current:		
Bank indebtedness	$ 69,882	$ 88,570
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	84,871	72,501
Accrued employee costs	8,105	9,648
Current portion of long term debt	9,822	5,379
Deferred revenue	19,665	13,840
Total	192,345	169,938
Long term debt	11,776	52,634
Deferred office lease inducements	6,046	5,662
Commitments and contingencies Shareholders' equity		
Common shares		
Issued - 37,538,895 (1989 - 32,184,301)	264,740	202,660
To be issued - nil (1989 - 5,350,971)	--	58,861
Retained earnings (deficit)	(526)	43,312
Translation account	(9,500)	(10,683)

Total	254,714	294,150
Less 316,431 common shares in treasury, at cost (Aug. 31, 1989 - 317,395)	(7,011)	(7,032)
Total	247,703	287,118
Total	$457,870	$515,352

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#90319p7227 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, CALIF. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Vector Aeromotive Corp. (NASDAQ: VCAR) announced today that the company had successfully completed its offering of 400,000 units through a syndicate headed by Paulson Investment Co. of Portland, Ore. The Vector units each consist of one share of the company's common stock, and one common stock purchase warrant. The Vector warrant expires in 1995 and is immediately exercisable and tradable.

"Having recently endured extraordinary market conditions, we are grateful for the support provided by everyone associated with the completion of this offering," said Gerald Wiegert, Vector's chairman and president.

The proceeds will be used to continue funding Vector's expansion programs for production and marketing, facilitating the ability to meet recently announced delivery schedules on the growing order backlog for the Vector W8 TwinTurbo supercar. "With our recent successful completion of D.O.T. crash and safety certification, and our projected completion of EPA/CARB emissions certifications by year-end, Vector looks forward to achieving its 1991 corporate objectives," commented Don Johnson, vice president of finance.

The all-American-made aerospace engineered Vector W8 TwinTurbo supercar competes in the same price category with the Ferrari F40 and the Chrysler Lamborghini Diablo. The powerplant is a Vector designed six-liter V8 TwinTurbo engine. Base price of the Vector W8 is $283,750, and the backlog continues to build with production sold out through the first quarter of 1991.

Vector Aeromotive Corp. is based in Wilmington, near the port of Los Angeles.

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#90319p7228 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

OTTAWA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - SHL Systemhouse Inc. (NASDAQ: SHKIF) of Ottawa today issued an information update on the process initiated by the board on May 3, 1990 to seek a buyer for all the shares of the company.

Considerable interest has been shown by a number of potential bidders, and that interest continues. One potential bidder submitted a written proposal to the independent committee of the board, indicating willingness to bid subject to certain conditions, including the ability to acquire at least 90 percent of all outstanding shares. The proposal was for cash for all shares. Discussion between the potential bidder and shareholders representing more than 10 percent of the shares indicated that the price proposed would not result in the tender of 90 percent of the shares and the bid did not proceed.

Other interest continues and the independent committee will be available to respond to interested parties.

During the process of encouraging interest by potential bidders, the independent committee signed with several interested parties agreements pursuant to which confidential information and access to company management has been provided.

Participation in the information and due diligence process has been a material distraction to the management and staff of the company. Action to cease further activity in this regard reflects the board's decision that the company and shareholders will be best served by devotion of the business to build upon its strong balance sheet and established market position.

The board believes that full information has been provided to interested parties and has therefore ceased to provide any further access to information or company staff except as may be generally available to all shareholders.

Agreements in place with all parties having access to confidential information require that the board consent to any bid, or that the bid by for all shares of the company. It is the intention of the board to ensure that any bid to which it consents is equally available to all shareholders. Parties that have not signed agreements with the board, and have not had access to information through this process, are, of course, able to bid without consent of the board.

CONTACT: Roderick M. Bryden, chairman and CEO of Systemhouse, 613-238-6648

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#90319p7230 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NESS-ZIONA, ISRAEL (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - InterPharm Laboratories reported today sales of $16.4 million for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $10.3 million for the same period last year, an increase of 59 percent. Net income for the nine-month period increased by 367 percent to $1.4 million or 22 cents per share, compared with net income of $0.3 million or 4 cents per share in 1989.

Net sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, rose 180 percent to $7 million compared with $2.5 million during the same period in 1989. Net income

for the third quarter of 1990 was $1.4 million or 23 cents per share. This compares with $21,000 for the third quarter of 1989.

The main reason for the increased sales and profitability was the year-to-date beta native interferon (FRONE)(R) sales which increased by 100 percent to $12.6 million from $6.3 million during the same period last year.

Two major factors influenced the increase in sales of FRONE in Italy, InterPharm's major market: the approval of FRONE for a new indication in the oncology field -- for adjuvant therapy in breast and uterine cancers and the usage of a 3 MIU injection in addition to the 1MIU dosage currently used.

Income for the third quarter also reflects the ongoing improvement in productivity resulting from decreased cost of sales for beta native interferon.

Gross research and development expenditures rose 38 percent to $1.1 million, compared with $0.8 million spent during the corresponding quarter of 1989.

"The company is continuing to pursue its research and development targets, including the validation of recombinant beta interferon production methods, as well as developing new genetic engineering technologies for the cloning and production of cytokines" said Dr. Yoram Karmon, president and chief executive officer.

The company recently announced that the Licensing Authorities in the United Kingdom approved commencement of clinical trials of Recombinant Beta Interferon (RBIF). This is an important milestone for the company, since this is the first such approval granted to it for RBIF. The clinical trials are expected to continue for two years establishing the safety and efficacy of RBIF for the treatment of Hairy-Cell Leukemia.

InterPharm Laboratories Limited is a research-based developer, manufacturer and marketer of biological pharmaceuticals.

INTERPHARM LABORATORIES FINANCIAL RESULTS
(all amounts in U.S. dollars)
(unaudited)

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$6,970,304	$2,521,688	$16,414,529	$10,334,446
Operating profit	$1,421,804	$24,604	$1,599,487	$161,872
Financial income (expense) net	$(114,378)	$(4,033)	$(277,930)	$94,654
Net income (loss)	$1,448,426	$20,571	$1,352,557	$256,526
Earnings per share	23 cents	---	22 cents	4 cents
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	6,237,385	6,237,385	6,237,385	6,237,385

CONTACT: Jack Barlow, president of Ares-Serono, Inc., 617-723-1300

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#90319p7231 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Earle Palmer Brown, one of the nation's largest independent marketing communications agencies, has announced the further expansion of its presence in Florida with the establishment of Tucker Communications, a new division of Earle Palmer Brown Public Relations.

Jeffrey W. Tucker, former deputy publisher of Florida Trend, the statewide business magazine, will be president of the new Tampa-based division, adding public affairs, strategic business planning, and economic analysis capabilities to the public relations services already offered by the agency. Steve Holub, who had been serving as general manager of the public relations division, will serve in the same capacity with Tucker Communications.

"Jeff's many years with Florida Trend have given him a very unique perspective on business in the state...a perspective which could benefit many businesses," said Jeb Brown, chief executive officer of Earle Palmer Brown. "Establishing this separate division under the leadership of Jeff is a natural extension of the services we already offer and puts us in an even better position to respond to the growing needs of the client of the 1990s."

Tucker, 44, is an award-winning Florida business journalist. While he was managing editor, Florida Trend received more than 50 state, regional and national awards for journalistic excellence, including being named best regional business magazine in America three years in a row by the Association of Area Business Publications.

Since 1987, Tucker has been director of Florida Trend Affiliated Operations, developing new business and overseeing the marketing of Florida Trend books and newsletters, customized conferences and syndicated statewide radio broadcasts both in Florida and Georgia.

One of the first recipients of the Herbert J. Davenport Fellowship for Economics Reporting given by the Univerisity of Missouri School of Journalism, Tucker is also a well-known speaker on business topics facing Florida and the South. In fact, from 1979-1981, he served as vice-chairman of former Gov. Bob Graham's Economic Advisory Committee.

He began his career at the Sarasota Herald-Tribune, was a business writer with the Atlanta Journal-Constitution and was a financial columnist with the Journal of Commerce, a division of Knight-Ridder newspapers based in New York, prior to joining Florida Trend.

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#90319p7234 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Terrence D. Straub has been named vice president-public affairs for USX Corp. (NYSE: X) effective Feb. 1, 1991, it was announced today by W. Bruce Thomas, vice chairman-administration and chief financial officer for USX.

Straub, 44, succeeds Earl W. Mallick, who is retiring from USX after more than 41 years of service to the corporation.

Operating from the corporation's Washington office, Straub will be responsible for governmental affairs activities on the federal and state level as well as the public affairs activities of USX nationwide.

A native of Indianapolis, Straub holds a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Indiana University and earned a master of international public policy in economics from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Study.

He joined USX in 1981 as manager-government affairs in Washington, advanced to director-government affairs in 1986 and was named general manager-government affairs, Steel and Diversified Businesses in 1987. He was named to his most recent post, general manager-government affairs, Energy, in 1989.

Mallick is a native of Pittsburgh. He earned an electrical engineering degree from Northwestern University in 1946 and a law degree from Harvard Law School in 1949. He joined USX that year as a law clerk. He transferred to Birmingham Ala., in 1955 and was named vice president-South in 1964. He was named vice president- environmental control at Pittsburgh headquarters in 1972. He became vice president-public affairs in 1977.

Mallick is a member of the American Iron and Steel Institute, a member of the Bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and a board member of the U.S. Business and Industrial Council.

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#90319p7235 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
PARSIPPANY, NJ (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - General Public Utilities Corp. (NYSE: GPU) announced that net income for the month of October 1990 was $13.9 million or 26 cents per share, compared with net income of $13.3 million, or 24 cents per share, in October 1989.

Net income for the 10-month period ending Oct. 31, 1990, was $245.7 million,

or $4.44 per share, compared with net income of $245.2 million, or $4.33 per share, for the comparable 1989 period.

Net income for the 12-month period ending Oct. 31, 1990, was $283.0 million, or $5.12 per share, compared with net income of $268.9 million, or $4.75 per share, for the comparable 12-month period ending in 1989.

GPU is a registered electric utility holding company with three operating subsidiaries: Jersey Central Power & Light, Pennsylvania Electric and Metropolitan Edison. The GPU System provides about 39 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity to approximately 1.9 million customers in a service territory encompassing about half the land area of Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

GENERAL PUBLIC UTILITIES CORP.
FINANCIAL SUMMARIES

One Month Ended Oct. 31 (Unaudited)	1990	1989
Sales of electricity (gigawatt-hours)	3,093	2,969
Total revenues (000)	$ 233,730	$ 224,183
Revenues other than those related to energy costs (000)	$ 170,523	$ 169,009
Energy cost revenues (000)	$ 63,207	$ 55,174
Net income (000) (Note 1)	$ 13,938	$ 13,305
Earnings per average share (Note 1)	$ .26	$ .24
Average common shares outstanding (000)	55,387	55,373
10 Months Ended Oct. 31 (Unaudited)	**1990**	**1989**
Sales of electricity (gigawatt-hours)	32,292	32,022
Total revenues (000)	$2,502,479	$2,429,121
Revenues other than those related to energy costs (000)	$1,860,621	$1,831,561
Energy cost revenues (000)	$ 641,858	$ 597,560
Net income (000) (Note 1)	$ 245,673	$ 245,171
Earnings per average share (Note 1)	$ 4.44	$ 4.33
Average common shares outstanding (000)	55,380	56,584
12 Months Ended Oct. 31 (Unaudited)	**1990**	**1989**
Sales of electricity (gigawatt-hours)	38,747	38,350
Total revenues (000)	$2,984,553	$2,888,108
Revenues other than those related to energy costs (000)	$2,223,015	$2,175,878
Energy cost revenues (000)	$ 761,538	$ 712,230
Net income (000) (Note 1)	$ 282,966	$ 268,941
Earnings per average share (Note 1)	$ 5.12	$ 4.75
Average common shares outstanding (000)	55,379	56,849

Note 1: 1989 amounts reflect restatement for the effects of a change in accounting principle concerning incremental nuclear outage maintenance costs.

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#90319p7238 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
SPRINGFIELD, MASS. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Monarch Capital Corporation (NYSE: MON) today announced that Roger Servison, president of the corporation, assumed the additional title of chief executive officer. Gordon N. Oakes Jr. formerly chief executive officer, will continue as chairman of Monarch.

Servison became president of Monarch in September. Formerly, he was senior vice president and managing director of Fidelity Investments.

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#90319p7239 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW CASTLE, PA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Galaxy Cheese Co. (NASDAQ: GALX) -- manufacturer of FORMAGG(R), the no-cholesterol, premier cheese alternative -- today announced financial results for the company's second quarter and first six months of fiscal year 1991. For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net sales of $5,586,126, an increase of 10 percent over sales of $5,057,874 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. The company reported a net loss of $40,612 or $0.01 per share vs. net income of $141,060 or $0.03 per share in the comparable period of 1989.

In June 1990, the company experienced a work stoppage by approximately one-half of its hourly production work force that lasted until mid-August. By mid-August 1990, all hourly positions had been filled through the hiring of replacements and the return of most of the workers who had walked out. "While the work stoppage and related activities did not have a substantial effect on sales volume for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, the company incurred in excess of $155,000 in related costs and expenses for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, due to the temporary work stoppage and related activities," stated Peter J. Perfetti, vice president and chief financial officer. Since mid-August, when the work stoppage ended, production efficiencies have improved, and security, consulting and legal costs have been significantly reduced. The company continues to incur some legal expenses associated with the related legal proceedings.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, revenues were $10,824,061, compared to $9,332,013 in the six-month period a year ago. The company recorded a net loss of $30,498 or $0.01 per share, vs. net income of $53,276 or $0.01 per share in the first half of the prior fiscal year.

Galaxy Cheese Co. manufactures FORMAGG(R), the premier line of cheese alternatives, in over 30 varieties, made from pure skim milk protein, and canola and soybean oil. FORMAGG(R), developed in response to the public's

increasing demand for more health-conscious products, contains no cholesterol, lactose or butterfat. These products are lower in calories, saturated fat, and higher in vitamins, calcium and other minerals than conventional cheese. Galaxy Cheese Co. also produces and sells two all-natural, soy-based cheese alternatives under the brandnames SOYCO(TM) and SOYMAGE(TM).

GALAXY CHEESE CO.
Comparative Analysis (Unaudited)

Period	Three Months		Six Months	
Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$5,586,126	$5,057,874	$10,824,061	$9,332,013
Net inc. (loss)	(40,612)	141,060	(30,498)	53,276
Earnings (loss) per common share	$(.01)	$.03	$(.01)	$.01
Weighted average common shares outstanding	4,070,483	4,143,061	4,065,548	4,121,917

CONTACT: Peter J. Perfetti, chief financial officer of Galaxy Cheese Co., 412-656-1102.

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#90319p7247 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Theragenics Corp., (NASDAQ: THRX), an Atlanta-based cancer therapy company, announced today that, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased to $267,000, a 48 percent gain on the $180,000 in revenues recorded for the same quarter last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company recorded revenues of $882,000, a 140 percent improvement on the $367,000 collected during the same period in 1989.

The company had a net loss in the current year's third quarter of $173,000, or $(.02) per share, compared to a loss of $378,000, or $(.05) per share, for the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990 the company had a net loss of $423,000, or $(.04) a share, compared to a loss of $1,354,000, or $(.17) a share, for the comparable period last year.

President and CEO John V. Herndon attributed Theragenics' accelerated revenue growth to enhanced sales of the company's Theraseed implant treatment for prostate cancer. Theraseed, a nonsurgical, outpatient procedure which employs Palladium 103 seeds to selectively eradicate cancerous tissue, has emerged as an alternative to surgery and external radiation regimens and is now also being used to treat other cancers, including head, neck, pancreas and lung.

Herndon said, "The third quarter results reflect our continuing strong sales

growth during 1990. The results also confirm that Theragenics is indeed adding major clinics and hospitals to our client list at a more rapid rate than ever before in our history. I am very confident both of these trends will continue."

CONTACT: Bruce Smith of Theragenics, 404-381-8338; or James Burness of Burness Consulting Group, 203-869-5297, or Rick Eisenberg of Eisenberg Communications, 212-496-6828, both for Theragenics

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#90319p7249 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BILLERICA, MASS. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Gerald S. Eilberg, chief financial officer of National Datacomputer, Inc. (NDI) announced today the results of its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Eilberg reported that revenues for the quarter were $615,360 as compared with revenues of $1,020,422 for the same period in 1989. The net loss for the quarter before adjustments was $256,640 vs. $574,782 for the third quarter of 1989. Non-recurring adjustments totalling $170,000 brought the net loss in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 to $426,640. These adjustments comprised overhead absorption rates to take a conservative accounting approach to inventory valuation.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $2,129,174 with a net loss of $1,006,641 before adjustments and $1,410,216 after adjustments. This compares to revenues of $3,843,256 and a net loss of $1,120,112 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Eilberg also reported that the cost reduction program discussed in the second quarter release was continuing as shown by selling and general and administrative costs in the third quarter decreasing 24 percent from the second quarter. This comes after a second quarter where these same expenses decreased 36 percent from the first quarter.

Norman Mackinnon, president of NDI stated that "the company's cash position continued to be a problem in third quarter but we are hopeful that our disciplined "hands-on" management and prioritizing of our funds will begin to produce greater sales in the fourth quarter and beyond. These efforts have already resulted in better bottom line results when you consider that in the 13 quarters since the company went public in June 1987, this quarter, although lower in sales, was the third best from a profit and loss standpoint."

National Datacomputer, Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and services rugged programmable handheld computers, data collection devices, peripherals and software, and communication options designed for people who need the power of a PC in the field rather than at their desk. The company's shares are traded over-the-counter.

CONTACT: Gerald S. Eilberg, chief financial officer of National Datacomputer,

Inc., 508-663-7677

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#90319p7251 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Ampal-American Israel Corporation (AMEX: AIS.A) today reported net income of $847,000, equal to 3 cents per Class A share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $2,662,000, equal to 11 cents per Class A share. Earnings for the entire year of 1989 were $1,509,000.

Earnings in the third quarter of 1990 were adversely affected by the situation in the Middle East, the continued effects of the reform in the energy field in Israel and changes in the world prices of citrus and tomato concentrates.

The declines in the company's total assets and liabilities result from the sale of its development banks' portfolios effected on Aug. 14, 1990. This transaction significantly improved the company's debt to equity ratio.

Ampal-American Israel Corporation and its subsidiaries are engaged in industrial, agricultural, real estate, hotel and tourist enterprises in Israel.

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#90319p7253 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Going-out-of-business sales are officially under way at 85 remaining Salkin & Linoff junior department stores and specialty shops in the upper Midwest.

The stores being liquidated trade under the names Bostwicks, S&L, Nina B. Stevensons, Hurrah!, Morrey A and Wrangler Wroost, and are located in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota and South Dakota. In addition to merchandise inventories, store fixtures and equipment, liquidator Buxbaum Ginsberg & Associates, Encino, Calif., is offering leases on the 85 units as well as 18 locations that were previously closed.

Ninety additional units stretching from Maine to California were recently sold to Retail Holdings, a newly formed Minneapolis-based company backed by Chicago Holdings. Retail Holdings, which will operate the units under the Hurrah! name, acquired the inventory, fixtures and leases of the stores in a deal negotiated through the efforts of Baxbaum Ginsberg executive VP Paul Buxbaum and Salkin & Linoff trustee Molly Shields.

Salkin & Linoff has been operating under Chapter XI bankruptcy protection since last February. Stores operating under the Peck & Peck name were sold to

Pranges earlier this year.

The liquidation sale marks the end of a 69-year era for Salkin & Linoff, which was established in 1921 in Elkton, S.D. with a one-room store that served the town's 1,800 farmers, cowboys and other residents. Some 42 mini department stores under the S&L were added in the years to come.

In 1945, the company purchased the Bostwick department store in Janesville, Wisc., followed by acquisitions of the Stevensons and Peck & Peck women's apparel chains in 1956 and 1976, respectively. Apart from expanding its acquired operations, the company also launched the Nina B juniors concept in 1965, Morrey A and Wrangler Wroost in 1969, and Hurrah! in 1971. At its peak, the Minneapolis-based company operated some 250 stores under its various nameplates, with over 1,800 employees.

According to Buxbaum, the liquidation sale should be concluded by the end of this year.

For information regarding store leases, contact Paul Buxbaum, Buxbaum, Ginsberg & Associates, 4834 Densmore Avenue, Encino, Calif., 91436, (818) 990-6820.

CONTACT: Paul Buxbaum of Buxbaum, Ginsberg & Associates, 818-990-6820 or 612-938-3551, or Bill Parness of Parness & Associates, 908-290-0121, both for Salkin & Linoff

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#90319p7254 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Midial, the parent company of Gorant Candies, Inc., located in Boardman, Ohio, announced today that it intends to sell the local candy manufacturer and retailer, according to Robert Portman, president of Midial's U.S. operations.

In making the announcement, Midial also halts its plans to gradually phase out and move the Boardman manufacturing facility to Norwalk, Ohio, where Fanny Farmer Candy, another Midial subsidiary, is located. The phase-out of the local plant had been scheduled to be completed by June 1991, according to the plan that was announced on May 7 of this year.

Gorant currently employs 100 full-time employees and 30 seasonal employees at its office and factory. The company's chocolates are sold through 44 retail stores, including the Yum Yum Tree(R), Gorant Candies(R), and Gorant Chocolates(R) stores located in seven Midwest and Eastern states.

Portman said that Midial is seeking a buyer for Gorant, but its preference is to arrange a sale involving a group of current Gorant executives.

Gorant is profitable and has sales of approximately $20 million and produces approximately one million pounds of chocolate confections annually, including more than 200 varieties of candies.

Midial acquired Gorant in 1989 from Rowntree PLC of Great Britain. The British company had purchased Gorant in 1986 from Charles Gorant, who along with his brother Sam had founded the company in 1949.

The Paris-based Midial Group is a major food and confectionery manufacturer with interests in the U.S. and several European countries. The Midial U.S. operations are headquartered in Cleveland at 5885 Grant Ave. In addition to Gorant and Fanny Farmer Candy Shops, Inc., Midial owns Hot Sam Companies and The Original Cookie Company.

CONTACT: R.J. "Buz" Buzogany of Wyse Landau Public Relations, 216-736-4422, for Midial

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FAIRMONT, MN (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Brian H. Kent, chairman of the board of directors of Weigh-Tronix, Inc. (NASDAQ: WGHT) today announced the appointment of Salvatore Vinciguerra as president and chief executive officer of Weigh-Tronix. This appointment is effective immediately and he will be based in Fairmont, Minn.

Vinciguerra joins Weigh-Tronix after 22 years with Instron Corporation in Canton, Mass. He had served as president, chief operating officer and member of the board of directors of Instron since 1985. He had previously served as president, Instron Japan, and as vice president and general manager, Instron Western Hemisphere.

Vinciguerra holds a BS in engineering from Princeton University and an MBA from Harvard Business School.

Weigh-Tronix, Inc. is a manufacturer of industrial, agricultural, retail and postal electronic scales; force measurement equipment; printers; and stationary feed mixing equipment. Corporate offices are in Fairmont, Minn. Manufacturing facilities are located in Minnesota, California and Ontario, Canada.

CONTACT: JeanAnn Fenrich of Weigh-Tronix, 507-238-4461

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#90319p7258 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOKLYN, NY (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Construction is under way for Saturn's first retail facility in Brooklyn as the auto company continues to expand its

retail base. Saturn Retail Partner Heinz M. Popp said construction of Saturn of Bay Ridge, located at 716 65th St., is expected to be completed by early spring.

"Heinz Popp typifies our Saturn retail partners," said Max Hurst, Saturn field executive for the eastern area of the United States. "They are highly successful retail automotive experts with organizations committed to providing superior customer satisfaction and an exceptional sales and service experience."

The stand-alone, uniform Saturn facilities "feature new concepts in merchandising and servicing cars including side-by-side sales and service entrances to enhance customer convenience and satisfaction," Hurst said.

"We're focusing on providing a pleasant experience for each customer who walks through the front door of this facility," Popp said. "This key element of Saturn's philosophy will distinguish us in the market place."

Saturn plans to have more than 130 retail facilities operational by mid-1991 as it continues its product rollout regionally. Currently, 51 retail facilities are selling and delivering cars to customers on the West Coast and in markets in the southern, southeastern and the central United States.

Paying tribute to the automaker's Spring Hill, Tenn., home and the environment an area at the Bay Ridge site was designated for a special Tulip Popular tree to be planted at the retail facility following construction.

"The Tulip Poplar, native to Tennessee, symbolizes Spring Hill, the team spirit, and the hard work that will go into every car we will build," Hurst said.

Saturn Corporation, an independent subsidiary of General Motors, is based in Spring Hill, Tenn., and Troy, Mich. The company's mission is to develop, manufacture and market a family of high-quality, affordable cars to compete in the subcompact and compact segments of the market. Saturn products are built at a 4-million-square-foot manufacturing and assembly complex in Spring Hill.

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VALLEY FORGE, PA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Alco Standard Corp. (NYSE: ASN) board of directors today increased the regular quarterly cash dividend to $.22 from $.21 per common share.

This dividend is payable Dec. 10, 1990, to holders of record Nov. 26. This is the 26th consecutive year in which Alco has raised its dividend. For calendar

year 1990, the company's total dividend will increase to $.85 per share, $.07 per share or 9 percent more than the $.78 per share paid in calendar year 1989.

Regular dividends to holders of serial preferred stock of record on Dec. 17, 1990, will be paid on Jan. 1, 1991.

Alco Standard Corp., headquartered in Valley Forge, is a publicly held distribution and services company. For its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $4.3 billion.

CONTACT: David B. Kirkland of Alco Standard, 215-296-8000, or at home, 215-542-9025

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#90319p7262 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. confirmed that its insurance company subsidiaries entered into an agreement yesterday under which they will acquire the variable life insurance business written by Monarch Life Insurance Company and previously purchased by Merrill Lynch clients. The transaction will be accomplished through a reinsurance agreement and is subject to regulatory approvals.

"Insurance is an important component in the range of financial products we offer to our clients. This agreement with Monarch is consistent with our business strategy and will afford the 63,000 clients who purchased these variable life policies through us with the financial strength and stability of Merrill Lynch," said Thomas H. Patrick, executive vice president, Insurance.

Over 95 percent of the funds invested by policyholders in these policies are already managed by Merrill Lynch and are held at independent custodial banks.

In light of today's announcement, sales of new Monarch policies have been suspended temporarily pending the closing of the transaction. Upon receipt of regulatory approvals, future variable life policies will be written by Merrill Lynch insurance subsidiaries.

CONTACT: James Wiggins, 212-449-7280, or Fred Yager, 212-449-7355, both of Merrill Lynch & Co.

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#90319p7263 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELBOURNE, FLA. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Opto Mechanik, Inc. (NASDAQ: OPTO), the Melbourne, Fla. based designer and manufacturer of optical and electro-optical fire control systems utilized in aircraft, tanks and other weapon systems announced today their results of operations for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $6,843,651 resulting in a net loss of $810,074 or $.37 loss per common share on a weighted average of 2,189,102 shares outstanding. This compares to revenues of $7,667,615 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989 which generated net income of $325,444 or $.15 earnings per share on a weighted average of 2,184,602 shares outstanding. Management primarily attributes the loss to the cut back in military spending.

CONTACT: Ottmar Dippold, president of Opto Mechanik, Inc., 407-254-1212

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#90319p7265 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Penril Corp. (AMEX: PNL) today announced revenues of $12,446,000 for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, compared to revenues of $10,349,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Net income for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was $1,182,000, or 24 cents per share, compared to $803,000, or 17 cents per share, for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989.

Henry Epstein, the company's chairman, stated: "First quarter revenues and profits benefited from initial sales of VLAN -- our new terminal server and gateway. With many other new products near completion, we believe 1991 should be another good year.

Penril Corp. manufactures data communications equipment and measurement instruments.

PENRIL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Condensed Consolidated Earnings
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	10/31/90	10/31/89
Net revenues	$12,446,000	$10,349,000
Income before income taxes	1,289,000	819,000
Provision for income taxes	(107,000)	(41,000)
Net income from operations	1,182,000	778,000
Non-operating items, net of taxes	--	25,000
Net income	$1,182,000	$803,000
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares	5,283,000	5,226,000
Earnings per share		
Operations	$0.24	$0.17
Non-operating items	--	--
Total	$0.24	$0.17

Selected Balance Sheet Items

	10/31/90	7/31/90

	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Cash	$7,165,000	$5,897,000
Current assets	24,136,000	23,773,000
Total assets	29,741,000	28,824,000
Current liabilities	8,045,000	8,246,000
Principal amount of long-term debt	5,744,000	5,769,000
Stockholders' equity	$15,090,000	$13,791,000
Common shares outstanding	3,528,000	3,502,000

CONTACT: Harry O. Christenson, executive vice president, of Penril Corp., 301-417-0552

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#90319p7270 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Franklin Holding Corporation (Delaware) today released its operating results for the six months and second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990:

FRANKLIN HOLDING CORPORATION
OPERATING RESULTS

	Six months		Second quarter	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$ 739,600	$ 887,796	$ 350,107	$ 429,008
Net investment (loss) before (provision) benefit for income taxes	(499,124)	(143,452)	(430,698)	(109,387)
(Provision) benefit for income taxes	0	(100)	6,900	0
Net investment (loss)	(499,124)	(143,552)	(423,798)	(109,387)
Net realized (loss) gain on investments	(61,274)	783,680	(70,625)	(126,817)
Increase (decrease) in unrealized appreciation of investments	153,229	(481,712)	145,729	297,121
Net (loss) income	(407,169)	158,416	(348,694)	60,917
(Loss) earnings per share	(0.41)	0.16	(0.35)	0.06
Total assets	13,250,618	18,368,659	13,250,618	18,368,659
Total assets per share	13.20	18.30	13.20	18.30
Net asset value per share	13.09	14.66	13.09	14.66
Average number of shares				

outstanding	1,003,776	1,003,776	1,003,776	1,003,776

CONTACT: Ellen Patterson of Franklin Holding, 212-486-2323

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#90319p7272 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FL (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Robi Kelley Roberts, owner and president of RKT Constructors, Inc., has been elected to the administrative board of directors for SunBank, N.A. in North Brevard County.

Roberts is owner and president of RKT Constructors, Inc., a state-certified general contracting firm. Also, half owner and vice president of Roy F. Roberts & Son Land Developers, Inc., a state-registered underground utility company. She is a member of the Titusville Area Chamber of Commerce, Florida Chamber of Commerce and board member of Spacecoast Development Commission.

SunBank, N.A. is the largest bank in Central Florida with 64 offices in Orange Seminole, Brevard, Lake and Osceola counties. It currently has assets over $4.2 billion and deposits of more than $3.4 billion.

CONTACT: John J. McGuire, executive vice president of SunBank, N.A., 407-237-5109

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#90319p7273 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMDEN, N.J. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Campbell Soup Co. (NYSE: CPB) today reported the best quarter in the company's history.

First quarter earnings per share of 82 cents represent a 28 percent increase over 64 cents last year.

Net earnings climbed to $105.1 million from $83 million. First quarter sales increased 5 percent to $1.59 billion from $1.52 billion last year. All three divisions showed sales and earnings gains.

"We are pleased with the progress we have made during this first quarter and remain confident about the rest of the year. The refocus of the company has unleashed brand power within a revitalized Campbell Soup Company. We are determined to deliver business results that prove this management team is the best driver of Campbell's great assets," said David W. Johnson, Campbell chief executive officer.

CAMPBELL NORTH AMERICA

Campbell North America, the company's largest division, reported a 30 percent increase in operating earnings to $177.7 million, up from $137.2 million. Sales for the division were $1.10 billion vs. $1.09 billion last year.

Excluding divested companies and discontinued product lines, net sales increased 4 percent.

Strong volume gains were turned in by soups, including "Campbell's" condensed, "Home Cookin'" and ramen noodle. Two new "Campbell's" condensed soups, Cream of Broccoli and Teddy Bear soups, enjoyed strong consumer demand. Gains were also achieved by "Swanson" frozen dinners, the new "LeMenu LightStyle" entrees "Prego" spaghetti sauces, "Vlasic" pickles and Casera Hispanic products.

BISCUIT AND BAKERY
Campbell recently reorganized its worldwide biscuit and bakery operations into one organization. The new division includes Pepperidge Farm in the United States, Delacre in Europe and an equity interest in Arnotts Limited in Australia.

Operating earnings in this division were up 16 percent to $25.7 million vs. $22.1 million last year. Sales increased 9 percent to $212 million from $195 million last year. Pepperidge Farm's operating earnings rose 26 percent. The new wholesome choice breads, "Hearty Slices" and "Light Style" fat-free, and Country Style dinner rolls continue to experience good consumer acceptance. Delacre, the European premium biscuit unit, had a 13 percent volume increase and strong earnings growth. The increase in overall division operating earnings was reduced by a one-time gain of $2.8 million in Arnotts Limited last year.

CONTACT: C. Scott Rombach, 609-342-6422, or Leonard F. Griehs, 609-342-6428, both of Campbell Soup

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#90319p7275 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHARLOTTE, N.C. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Royal Insurance reported a pre-tax statutory loss of $58.6 million for the first nine months of 1990, compared to a loss of $76.9 million for the same period in 1989. After federal income taxes, a net loss of $50.9 million was shown compared to a $72.9 million loss for the first nine months of 1989. Written premiums declined to $1.55 billion from $1.69 billion. The underwriting loss rose to $382.1 million from 1989's nine months loss of $363.0 million, and the combined ratio before dividend worsened to 124.6 from 121.1. Pre-tax investment income, excluding capital gains and losses, increased 11.2 percent to $259.2 million.

William E. Buckley, Royal's chairman and chief executive officer, said results were affected by the continuing industry down cycle and by adjustments the company has made in its geographic distribution and product mix. "While financial results remain disappointing, we are encouraged by the progress we've made in achieving our strategic objectives, especially our ability to obtain adequate prices in some lines and to increase our average premium per policy," Buckley said.

At the same time, in London, England, the parent company, Royal Insurance Holdings plc, announced its worldwide results for the first nine months of 1990. Total written premiums increased by $390 million to $6.27 billion. The worldwide underwriting loss was $861.5 million, compared to $422.5 million for the first nine months of 1898, while investment income increased by $48.7 million to $669.5 million. A pre-tax loss of $157.1 million compared to a nine months 1989 profit of $207.7 million, and the net after-tax loss totaled $148.8 million versus a $151.9 million profit for the previous period.

CONTACT: Kevin M. McCarthy of Royal Insurance, 704-522-2061

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#90319p7276 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

OMAHA, NEB. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - America First PREP Fund 2 Limited Partnership (AMEX: PF) reported earnings of $388,748 or $.2267 per Beneficial Unit Certificate (BUC) for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, and $1,127,344 or $.6581 per BUC for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. The partnership's earnings were $315,985 or $.1835 per BUC for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, and $1,026,893 or $.5983 per BUC for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Book value of the Partnerhsip was $16.04 per BUC at Sept. 30, 1990.

The Partnership's income consisted primarily of earnings from mortgage-backed securities. The Partnership is making monthly cash distributions to Beneficial Unit Certificate Holders at an annualized rate of $1.68 per BUC.

CONTACT: Maurice Cox of America First PREP Fund 2 Limited Partnership, 402-444-1630

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#90319p7278 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMDEN, NJ (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Campbell Soup Co. (NYSE: CPB) announced that its board of directors today increased its quarterly dividend by 16 percent from 25 to 29 cents per share.

The new dividend rate will be payable Jan. 31, 1991, to shareowners of record at the close of business on Jan. 9.

"This dividend increase shows confidence in our future and determination to propel Campbell to the top of the food industry," Campbell President and Chief Executive Officer David W. Johnson told a meeting of the company's shareowners today.

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#90319p7279 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PURCHASE, NY (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of PepsiCo, Inc. (NYSE: PEP) today declared a quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share. The dividend is payable Jan. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990. PepsiCo's dividend is at an annual rate of 40 cents per share.

CONTACT: Ken Ross of PepsiCo, 914-253-2725

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#90319p7281 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLIFTON, N.J. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Vertex Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: VETX) today announced results for fiscal 1990, ended July 31.

"While revenues remained essentially flat, the company was able to reduce its net loss by more than 20 percent through a reduction in cost of sales and research and development. In addition, lower interest rates and the absence of a loss due to the divestiture of Dicom in fiscal '89 had a favorable effect. We expect improvements in our financial performance as our Bar Code products and software gain wider acceptance, our Debit Card Systems enter new marketing areas and both these segments of our business experience increases in sales," James Q. Maloy, chairman and president, said.

Revenues for fiscal 1990 ended July 31 were $3,508,471, compared to $3,539,970 for the previous year. The company's net loss for fiscal 1990 was reduced by more than 20 percent to $269,449, or 15 cents per share, from $339,368, or 20 cents per share, reported last year.

Vertex Security Access/Attendance Systems are installed in 14 New York City high schools and one junior high school. Further orders are pending, waiting for the city to resolve its budget problems. Discussions are being held with several other school systems regarding purchase and installation of the product.

In addition, Vertex has furnished 500 Debit Card Systems to a major supplier of baggage cart services at domestic airports, and will supply an additional 500 systems to this customer in the current fiscal year.

Also, CTSI, a Vertex subsidiary, has sold 75 of its Bar Code Labeling Systems (Model 2400) to The Mayo Clinic. This is in addition to the 100 furnished to Abbott Laboratories.

VERTEX INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

Year ended July 31	1990	1989
Revenues	$3,508,471	$3,539,970

Net income/(loss)	(269,449)	(339,368)
Net income/(loss) per share	$(.15)	$(.20)
Wtd. avg. no. of shrs. outstanding	1,781,585	1,664,397

CONTACT: James Q. Maloy, chairman and president of Vertex Industries, 201-777-3500

-30- 2435

#90319p7283 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - On Nov. 18, 1987, the Perry Nuclear Power Plant was declared in commercial operation and available to provide electricity to some seven million people in northern Ohio and western Pennsylvania. Three years later, the Perry Plant has established a record of being a safe, reliable, and environmentally compatible electric generating facility.

During three years of commercial operation the Perry Plant has:
-- generated 21,699,456,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity, enough electricity to power almost two million homes;
-- been available to generate electricity 71.4 percent of the time;
-- generated tens of millions of dollars in personal property tax dollars with the majority of funds going to local schools;
-- produced 67.8 percent of the electricity theoretically possible if the plant were operating at 100 percent of capacity every day of the year;
-- received consistent good marks for plant performance in the NRC Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) report;
-- produced as much electricity as approximately 30 million barrels of foreign oil.

"Looking back at three years of operation I think our records speak for themselves," says Michael Lyster, vice president -- Perry Nuclear.

"Bottom line, they indicate solid performance in the majority of areas, and consistently improving performance in others."

The Perry Plant currently is in its second scheduled refueling/ maintenance outage and is expected to return to service in December.

CONTACT: Linda K. Routzahn of The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, 216-259-3737, ext. 5519 or 216-623-1060 after hours

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#90319p7288 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Cosmetics, fragrance and skin care firm Max Factor & Co. is providing a form of protection for the American armed

forces of Operation Desert Shield by donating more than $800,000 worth of one of the soldier's most-requested items: sunscreen. Today, a shipment of 67,000 bottles of Max Factor's Pure SPF Invisible Face Protector will leave for the Persian Gulf to be distributed free-of-charge through the Army and Air Force Exchange Service.

A special two-ounce unbreakable plastic bottle of Pure SPF Invisible Face Protector has been manufactured by Max Factor specifically to meet the needs of the U.S troops in the Middle East. Available to the general public in a unisex glass bottle with pump, this non-greasy alcohol-free fluid provides all-day protection (SPF 12) against harmful ultraviolet rays.

With daytime temperatures in the Saudi Arabian desert as high as 130 degrees, cooling in the evenings to only about 85 degrees, the use of sunscreen by our military personnel is a necessity, not a luxury, according to Max Factor President Allan Kurtzman.

Kurtzman points out that there's a growing body of evidence to support the fact that severe sunburns and even skin cancer are real possibilities when you're exposed to the sun. "With the protection of a product like Pure SPF, our servicemen and women can be exposed to the sun 12 times longer than they ordinarily could, without burning," Kurtzman says.

Independent health expert Mary-Ellen Siegel, author of "Safe in the Sun" and "The Cancer Patient's Handbook" agrees, "Under the intense desert conditions our troops are now facing, the risk of developing skin cancers including malignant melanoma (a form of skin cancer that can spread throughout the body) is extremely high," Siegel says. "Yet many people don't realize that it isn't only desert sun that is dangerous -- all of us are at risk as we walk down the street in our home towns even during the fall and winter months. This is because incidental, not just intentional, exposure to sunlight without protection can cause premature aging of the skin and, potentially, skin cancer. Hopefully, efforts like Max Factor's will make our whole generation more aware of the need to use suncreen on a daily basis."

CONTACT: Phyllis Klein or Kim Rahilly of Max Factor, 213-442-2040

-30- 2548

#90319p7293 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHANTILLY, VA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Banner Industries Inc. (NYSE: BNR) announced that its shareholders, voting at the annual meeting held today, approved a proposal to change the company's name to The Fairchild Corporation. Shareholders also elected 12 directors, two of whom are new board members.

Reflecting the name change, the stock of The Fairchild Corporation will begin trading under the symbol "FA" on the New York Stock Exchange as of Nov. 19, 1990. The company also announced the relocation of its corporate headquarters

to Chantilly, Va., currently the operations center of its Fairchild Industries subsidiary.

Of the 12 directors elected at the annual meeting, Mortimer M. Caplin and E. Garrett Bewkes, Jr. had not previously served on the Banner Industries Board. They were elected to one-year terms, succeeding Carl C. Icahn and John P. Calhoun.

The Fairchild Corporation, with $703 million in sales in fiscal 1990, is a worldwide leader in diversified aerospace businesses. Its Fairchild Fastener Group is a leading manufacturer of aerospace fasteners, D-M-E Company is a provider of tooling and electronic control systems for plastics molding, and Fairchild Communications Services Company is a provider of deregulated telecommunications services in commercial office buildings. The Fairchild Corporation also has significant equity interests in Rexnord Corporation, a manufacturer of mechanical power transmission components, and Banner Aerospace Inc., a leading distributor of aviation parts.

CONTACT: Deborah Tucker of The Fairchild Corporation, 703-478-5856; or Terry Rooney or Paul Steidler of Morgen-Walke Associates, 212-986-5900, for Fairchild

-30- 1877

#90319p7295 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALO ALTO, CA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Lincoln N.C. Realty Fund Inc. (AMEX: LRF) ("LNCRF") today reported a net loss of $727,948 or $0.36 per share, on revenues of $1,060,611 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $9,819 or $0.005 per share, on revenues of $2,895,386 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, LNCRF reported a net loss of $183,850, or $0.09 per share, on revenues of $404,326, as compared with a net loss of $1,269,120 or $0.64 per share, on revenues of $853,822 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

LNCRF has set Jan. 14, 1991, as the date for a Special Meeting of Shareholders to vote on, among other things, its previously announced sale of its Lincoln Rancho Bernardo investment. Notice of the Special Meeting will be mailed to shareholders of record as of Dec. 5, 1990.

Lincoln N.C. Realty Fund Inc. is a real estate investment trust. Its securities are listed on the American and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

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#90319p7296 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOTEBORG, SWEDEN (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Volvo Group today issued the following interim report for the nine months ended Sept. 30.

Operating income for the first three quarters of 1990 was SEK 1,192 M (4,809). Income in the year-earlier period included profits amounting to SEK 863 M from companies that have now been divested. The decrease in earnings was attributable primarily to the reduced demand in Volvo's three most important markets -- the United States, Sweden and Great Britain -- to depressed margins and to lower utilization of capacity. Foreign exchange rate movements that were unfavorable to Volvo, as well as continuing higher development costs for Volvo's products of the nineties, were also contributing factors.

Income was charged a total of SEK 2,450 M for restructuring costs. These provisions represent a charge of approximately SEK 1,700 against operations in Sweden. Of the provisions, approximately SEK 1,500 M pertains to the car operating sector, and approximately SEK 400 M to trucks and buses. The remaining SEK 550 M is related primarily to the writedown of certain general group assets. Volvo's holdings in shares in associated companies contributed SEK 844 M (712) to earnings. In calculating Volvo's share of Procordia's income for the third quarter of 1990, merger and restructuring costs in Procordia which are considered as directly attributable to the merger with Pharmacia's and Provendor's operations have been offset against Volvo's portion of shareholders' equity in Procordia and accordingly are not included in Volvo's share of income in Procordia.

Net interest income amounted to SEK 135 M (564) but was lower than a year earlier due to an increase in interest-bearing liabilities. Changes in foreign exchange rates resulted in a gain of SEK 56 M on long-term loans in foreign currencies, compared with a loss of SEK 73 M in the 1989 period.

Volvo's consolidated loss for the first three quarters of 1990, after financial income and expense, amounted to SEK 193 M (income of SEK 6,170 M), based on unaudited figures.

During the first three quarters of 1989 sales of real estate produced extraordinary income amounting to SEK 385 M.

Volvo Group sales during the first three quarters of 1990 amounted to SEK 62,436 M (65,790). Excluding the Provendor Group, the decrease in sales was 2 percent. Sales in markets outside Sweden amounted to SEK 51,096 M (52,800), equal to 82 (80) percent of total sales.

Volvo's sales in the Nordic countries decreased to 43,000 (57,000) cars despite an increase in Norway. In Western Europe outside the Nordic area deliveries declined to 135,000 (143,000) units. Deliveries increased in Italy and Spain while sales in Great Britain decreased to 56,000 (67,000) cars. Volvo sold 78,000 cars in the weaker North American market, 10 percent fewer

than in the corresponding period last year. Volvo's share of the market was slightly smaller in the Nordic countries and Great Britain, as well as in North America. The trend of sales in Japan and Southeast Asia continued to be very favorable.

Volvo delivered 284,000 (311,000) cars to customers during the first three quarters of the year. Of these, 127,000 (146,000) were in the 700 series, 56,000 (67,000) in the 200 series, 96,000 (98,000) were Volvo 300/400s, and 5,000 were the recently introduced Volvo 940/960s.

As a result of the lower volume of sales, coupled with cutbacks in production and higher product development costs, the cars operating sector showed a small loss for the first nine months of 1990.

Demand for heavy trucks in Europe during the first three quarters was on the same level as last year. The total markets in Germany, Switzerland and Austria increased appreciably, while demand in Great Britain and Sweden, large Volvo markets, declined significantly. Price competition continued to be severe throughout Europe and the industry's profit margins were further reduced. The total market in North America continued to shrink and price levels were low. Demand in Brazil, as well as in most of the markets in Asia, was firm.

Volvo's deliveries of trucks totaled 39,300 vehicles, approximately 10 percent fewer than in the corresponding period a year earlier. The decrease was attributable to the market in North America and in some countries in Europe, while deliveries to other market areas rose considerably, more than doubling in Latin America, the Middle East and Eastern Europe. Volvo's share of the market for heavy trucks was higher in North America and Brazil but decreased slightly in Europe.

Up to and including the third quarter, order bookings were unchanged in Europe but declined in North America. Orders received from other areas increased sharply, with especially large increases in orders from Iran, Southeast Asia and Brazil. Overall, order bookings were slightly higher than during the corresponding period in 1989. The order backlog at the end of the third quarter was marginally higher than a year earlier.

Income for the first three quarters was distinctly lower than during the 1989 period, partly due to losses incurred on North American operations and substantially higher product development costs.

The number of Volvo and Leyland buses and Bus chassis delivered was lower in the first three quarters of 1990, compared with 1989 deliveries. Order bookings were lower, notably in Volvo's domestic markets in the Nordic countries as well as in Great Britain. The decrease was offset to some extent by a favorable trend of orders in South America. Volvo Buses' share of the number of heavy buses registered in Western Europe was unchanged.

Volvo Buses reported substantially lower earnings than in the first three quarters last year, due partly to losses on operations in Great Britain.

Sales of marine engines were higher, despite continued weakness in the North American market. The decline in sales in the U.S. was partially offset by higher sales in Western Europe -- notably in Great Britain and Spain -- and in Japan.

During the latter part of the third quarter, Volvo partially made up for the lag in deliveries of industrial engines that had taken place during the first half of the year. Order bookings for both marine and industrial engines were higher than in the year-earlier period. Earnings were lower.

Orders for commercial aircraft engines continued to be substantial, while maintenance operations for the military increased. Income was considerably lower than during the first nine months of 1989, primarily as a consequence of postponed deliveries by partners to manufacturers of commercial aircraft, and of the lower exchange rate for the U.S. dollar.

The Provendor Group -- the former food operating sector -- was transferred to the Procordia Group on July 1, 1990. Provendor's sales and earnings are included in Volvo's consolidated accounts for the first six months of 1990.

Gross capital expenditures for property, plant and equipment during the first three quarters of 1990 amounted to SEK 3,658 M (1989: SEK 3,699 M, excluding Provendor). At Sept. 30, 1990, total value of Volvo's holdings of listed shares amounted to SEK 26,300 M, representing a reserve of approximately SEK 9,800 M relative to book value. This reserve was SEK 7,100 M in the middle of November.

Volvo's report on 1990 operations will be released March 5, 1991. This report has not been reviewed by AB Volvo's auditors.

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#90319p7297 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard P. Randazzo has been named vice president, human resources at Asea Brown Boveri Inc. (ABB), the company reported today.

Randazzo, 46, formerly an executive with Xerox, also will serve as a member of ABB's Operating & Policy Committee, reporting to Gerhard Schulmeyer, president and chief executive officer. He replaces Dale E. Smith, who is starting his own consulting business.

At ABB, Randazzo will have responsibility for providing human resources consulting to senior management, providing human resources functional leadership and direction of the company's human resources and information organizations.

Randazzo has more than 20 years experience at Xerox, where he served most recently as vice president, personnel for the company's U.S. marketing group. Prior to that he held a number of staff and line human resources positions, introducing programs to increase P&L accountability. He also encouraged total quality management throughout the company and was instrumental in directing Xerox's efforts toward winning the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award in 1989.

Randazzo is a graduate of Rochester Institute of Technology and received an M.B.A. from Indiana University.

Asea Brown Boveri Inc. has annual sales of approximately $6 billion and 30,000 employees. The company and its subsidiaries, part of the ABB Group (Zurich), provide products and services for the power, process, industrial, automation, environmental control, transportation and other markets.

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#90319p7302 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Don R. Baker, manager of Ford Motor Company's Kansas City (Mo.) Assembly Plant will retire effective March 1, 1991. He is a 34-year veteran of the Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) and has been manager of the Kansas City Assembly Plant since March 1987. Effective Dec. 1, he will become manager of a quality improvement task force for the F-Series light truck until his retirement.

Baker will be succeeded by Richard Gilligan, who is currently manager of the company's Norfolk (Va.) Assembly Plant.

Gilligan's successor at the Norfolk Assembly Plant will be William W. Strickland, who is presently manager of the St. Louis Assembly Plant.

Joseph E. Bobnar will become the new manager of the St. Louis Assembly Plant. He holds the same position at Ford's Chicago Assembly Plant.

Reginald J. Anson, who is presently the assistant plant manager at Chicago, will be promoted to manager replacing Bobnar.

All plant manager changes are effective Dec. 1.

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#90319p7306 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Burton Group announces that, by mutual agreement, Sir Ralph Halpern has retired as chairman and chief executive, and has resigned as a director, with immediate effect.

Sir John Hoskyns, a non-executive director, has been appointed chairman and Laurence Cooklin, currently joint managing director, has been appointed chief executive. There are no other board changes.

The board and Sir Ralph have agreed that these changes are in the best interests of the company. In view of the recent press speculation, Sir Ralph has also agreed that the principal terms of the agreement which has been reached with him should be announced now.

Sir Ralph's service contract had three years to run and the board has agreed he will be paid 600,000 pounds sterling less tax, being the equivalent of 18 months' salary, as compensation.

Sir Ralph's pension entitlement, which has accrued under the company's pension scheme over almost 30 years of service with the group and which will not require any change in the funding of the scheme, is 456,000 pounds per annum. Sir Ralph's contractual entitlement under the group's executive management board incentive bonus scheme to deferred bonuses in respect of the years 1986 to 1989 inclusive will be calculated and paid over the years 1990 to 1993 inclusive. These are expected to amount in aggregate to approximately 1.4 million pounds and have already been provided for in the group's accounts in the relevant years.

Sir John Hoskyns, the new chairman, said, "Sir Ralph has committed himself to the Burton Group over a long period. Under his leadership, Burton has played a major role in changing fashion retailing in the United Kingdom. As a result the Burton Group is today a major force in that industry. In Laurence Cooklin and his team, we have the management to build on this position."

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#90319p7309 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Hadson Energy Resources Corporation (NASDAQ: HERC) and Baruch-Foster Corporation (AMEX: BFO) today jointly announced the execution of a definitive merger agreement pursuant to which Baruch-Foster Corporation (BFO), a Dallas-based oil and gas concern, would

merge with BFC Acquisition, Inc., an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Hadson Energy. The terms of the agreement provide for cash consideration of $6.24 per share or approximately $16.9 million to be paid to BFO's stockholders at the effective date of the merger. The agreement is subject to approval by the stockholders of BFO and certain other conditions and additionally provides for a closing date of no later than Jan. 31, 1991. Pursuant to the agreement, BFO has placed an oil price swap at $25.35 per barrel for calendar year 1991 with a financial institution which effectively provides BFO a degree of price protection in the event crude oil prices fall below current levels.

Baruch-Foster President, Malcolm E. Wilson, stated, "During the past year, a great deal of effort has gone into this process. The board of directors and I are confident that we have been able to realize a fair value for the company on behalf of our stockholders through this agreement. We are pleased with the outcome of our negotiations."

William C. Rankin, chief financial officer for Hadson Energy stated, "We are pleased to make this announcement to our shareholders. This acquisition represents a significant boost to our domestic operations. We anticipate favorable increases in operating cash flows and earnings as a result. Additionally, the oil price swap has reduced our risk in the near term to oil price volatility. Based on initial estimates, this acquisition will increase our reserve base by approximately 2.3 million barrels of oil and 9.5 billion cubic feet of gas."

Hadson Energy is an independent energy company engaged internationally in crude oil and natural gas exploration, development and production.

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#90319p7311 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH TONAWANDA, N.Y. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Paul H. Taylor, president of Taylor Devices, Inc. (NASDAQ: TAYD), today said audited results show the company made a near-record net profit of $231,856, or 8 cents per share, on sales of $4,900,766 for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990. This compares with a loss of $7,989, or 1 cent per share, on sales of $5,250,057 for the previous fiscal year.

"Last year's large earnings, in face of lower sales, resulted from higher profit margins on our basic line of shock absorbers...increased engineering research fees...and increased sales in a new market for heavy-duty commercial applications," Taylor commented.

"The first quarter of the new fiscal year, ended Aug. 31, 1990, showed a loss

of $10,746, after charge-off of a commissioned in-depth study of management by outside university business administration experts. Last year a profit of $81,623 on slightly lower sales volume realized from commercial deliveries," Taylor said.

"The outlook for the year, however," he continued, "is for an upturn in earnings based on increased demand for our latest defense aerospace products specified on new systems on which we have established higher profit margins; a potential large increase in sales for our Pnushok (Airshock) products through our affiliate, Tayco Technologies, on computer and photocopying equipment. Initial production orders on substantial volume requirements are already in production," Taylor concluded.

TAYLOR DEVICES, INC.

Three months ended Aug. 31:	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,089,946	$1,123,027
Net profit (loss) after tax	(21,746)	81,623
Earnings loss per share	$(.004)	$.033
Shares outstanding	2,500,262	2,488,491
Twelve months ended May 31:	1990	1989
Net sales	$4,900,766	$5,250,057
Net profit after income taxes (before equity in net losses of affiliates)	258,998	42,418
Equity in net losses of affiliates	(27,142)	(50,407)
Net income profit (loss)	231,856	(7,989)
Net income/loss per share	$0.08	$(0.01)
Shares outstanding	2,736,387	2,597,205

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#90319p7312 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Cineplex Odeon Corporation (NYSE: CPX) today announced its financial results for both the third- quarter and the nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990. All currency amounts are in U.S. dollars.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the net loss was $7,591,000 on revenues of $164,799,000. In the corresponding 1989 period, the corporation reported a net loss of $7,192,000 on revenues of $174,319,000. The net loss for the third quarter of 1990 includes net income of $9,989,000 in other income (expenses) due primarily to the sale of the corporation's interest in Universal City Cinemas to MCA Inc.

Earnings/(loss) per share on both the basic and fully diluted basis was $(0.16) for the third quarter of 1990 as compared to $(0.15) for the

corresponding period in 1989.

The corporation reported a net loss of $57,987,000 on revenues of $455,044,000 for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net loss for the corresponding period in 1989 was $35,219,000 on revenues of $439,861,000. The nine-month 1990 loss includes a net expense of $12,004,000 in other income (expenses) reflecting the costs associated with the corporation's restructuring program, while the year-earlier period reflected a net income of $34,735,000 in other income (expenses).

Earnings/(loss) per share on both the basic and fully diluted basis for the current nine-month period was $(1.22) as compared to $(0.74) per share in the corresponding period in 1989.

Subsequent to Sept. 30, 1990, the corporation's two major shareholders, MCA Inc. and the Claridge Group, advanced subordinated loans to the corporation of an aggregate amount of approximately $40 million which were applied to reduce long-term debt from the lending syndicates. Under the terms of the corporation's long-term bank lending agreements, these funds were required to be advanced as the corporation fell short of the cumulative net proceeds from asset sales covenant goal of $160 million.

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#90319p7319 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Florida Progress Corporation (NYSE: FPC) today declared a quarterly dividend of 68.5 cents per share on the outstanding common stock, payable Dec. 20, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business Dec. 5, 1990. The board increased the quarterly dividend by 2.5 cents per share making the annual dividend $2.74 per share. This increases the dividend growth rate to 3.8 percent.

"The increase in the dividend growth rate reflects the confidence of management and the board in the future of Florida Progress," said Richard Korpan, executive vice president and chief financial officer. Florida Progress has a long standing record for dividend increases. Dividends paid per share will have increased for 38 consecutive years, one of the best records of companies listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

Florida Progress Corporation (FPC), headquartered in St. Petersburg, Fla., is a holding company that combines its primary electric utility business with diversified operations in energy and transportation, development and financial services.

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#90319p7328 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPRINGFIELD, MA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Monarch Capital Corporation (NYSE: MON) today announced a special charge of $103 million pre-tax against third quarter earnings for anticipated losses on the disposal of its real estate assets.

Monarch Capital Corp. (MCC) on Feb. 12, 1990, had reported a charge for then-expected losses of $59 million pre-tax on the sale of its real estate portfolio. MCC said the additional writedown reflected a substantial further decrease in market value of its real estate based on the significant decline in real estate values, particularly in the Northeast.

Net Loss of $67.8 Million; Income from Continuing Operations Up The real estate writedown, amounting to $68.7 million after-tax, brought results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 to a net loss of $67.8 million, or $10.23 per share, compared with net income of $1 million or $.05 per share for the 1989 third quarter. Income from continuing operations was $0.9 million or $.03 per share, up from $0.4 million or a loss of $.05 per share in the 1989 third period.

MCC said it has suspended the dividend on its preferred stock. MCC noted that if on the record date for a stockholders meeting six or more quarterly preferred dividends remain unpaid, preferred stockholders will be entitled to elect two of MCC's directors.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, MCC reported a net loss of $64.2 million, or $9.92 per share, compared to net income of $11 million or $1.33 per share for the same period in 1989. (The 1989 nine months' results included $6.7 million of income from Monarch-Narragansett and the company's real estate operations, which are now presented as discontinued operations. Income from those discontinued operations for the 1989 third quarter was $0.6 million.)

Net assets of discontinued operations, reflecting the special charge for anticipated real estate losses, were $40.4 million, compared with $137.7 million at Dec. 31, 1989. The 1989 results have been reclassified to reflect the results of discontinued operations.

Income from continuing operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30 was $4.4 million or $.35 per share, compared with $4.3 million or $.33 per share for the 1989 nine months.

Pre-tax earnings for MCC's disability income insurance operation for the third quarter of 1990 were $2 million, compared with a loss of $1.7 million for the 1989 third quarter. Disability pre-tax earnings for the first nine months of

1990 were $5.4 million, compared with $6.2 million for the 1989 period. Profits were improved due to lower operating expenses and claims experience, offset by a $3.1 million increase in reinsurance costs.

Disability income sales were $23.1 million for the 1990 nine months, against $27.9 million for the 1989 nine months.

Pre-tax earnings from other operations, including MCC's supplemental insurance business, were $2 million for the third quarter, up from $1.8 million in the 1989 third quarter. For the first nine months of 1990, pre-tax earnings from other insurance operations were $4.6 million, against $4.1 million for the 1989 nine months.

Monarch Capital Corporation is a financial services company that designs disability income insurance and variable life insurance and annuity products. Its products are distributed through a network of other financial service firms in regional and national markets.

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#90319p7329 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) today announced that The First Boston Corporation will serve as book-running manager for the Department's Fiscal Year 1991 Vendee Loan sales and in addition, at VA's option, for sales in Fiscal Years 1992 and 1993. The first transaction under this new appointment is scheduled for January 1991 and is expected to be approximately $400 million.

The selection marks the second consecutive year that VA has designated First Boston its sole book-running manager. VA's selection of First Boston reflects the department's excellent experience with the firm which has been a lead manager on all seven of VA's American Housing Trust transactions.

The department directs a nationwide guaranty loan program for veterans, Vendee Loans are purchase money mortgages provided by VA in connection with the sale of properties it has acquired as a result of the termination of residential mortgage loans made to veteran borrowers under the GI loan guaranty program. VA has sold a total of $2.2 billion of Vendee Loan collateral through seven transactions: the $204 million American Housing Trust I (AHT) in June 1988, the $142 million AHT II in September 1988, the $184 million AHT III in February 1989, the $248 million AHT IV in August 1989, the $304 million AHT V in January 1990, the $348 million AHT VI in May 1990 and the $293 million AHT VII in August 1990. In the two most recent sales, AHT VI and AHT VII, the loans were backed by a full faith and credit guaranty of the federal government.

In addition to First Boston, VA has selected Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. to serve as co-lead underwriter and Doley Securities, Inc., M.R. Beal & Company, Pryor, McClendon, Counts & Co., Inc and WR Lazard, Laidlaw & Mead as co-managers in the underwriting group. Kidder, Peabody & Co. will continue to act as financial advisor to VA, a position it has held since the inception of VA's loan securitization program.

The First Boston Corporation is a full-service international investment bank with headquarters in New York. First Boston is an operating unit of CS First Boston Inc.

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#90319p7334 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwest Airlines' (NYSE: LUV) board of directors, at its meeting held November 14, declared a quarterly dividend of 2.5 cents per share on all shares currently issued and outstanding.

This 57th consecutive quarterly dividend will be paid on Dec. 20, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 5, 1990.

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#90319p7341 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (Nov. 15) PR Newswire - The world's first all-aluminum production car the Acura NSX, is the recipient of Playboy's first-ever "Car of the Year" award, as announced in the magazine's January 1991 issue (on sale Tuesday, Nov. 27).

"The Acura NSX is the best handling sports car I've ever driven," says Ken Gross, Playboy automotive editor, "and that includes all those badges from Italy with names ending in I."

Members of the Acura NSX design team and other Acura executives will accept the Playboy "Car of the Year" award today at a luncheon at Playboy Mansion West in Holmby Hills, Calif. The presentation of the award -- a stylish, solid bronze cylinder fashioned after a steering wheel -- will be made by Michael Perlis, president of Playboy Enterprises Inc.'s publishing group, and Gross.

Marketed by the Acura Automobile Division of American Honda Motor Co. Inc.,

the Acura NSX (it stands for "New Sports car, eXperimental) was designed to stretch the existing boundaries of te? exotic sports car category. Engineers at the Honda Research and Development Center in Japan set out to create a new category of sports car incorporating the most desirable characteristics of limited-production exotics (Ferrari, Lamborghini) and lightweight (Toyota MR2, Mazda MX-5 Miata) and middleweight (Nissan 300ZX, Chevrolet Corvette) mass production vehicles.

Playboy's "Car of the Year" award is part of the magazine's continuing effort to provide readers with accurate, useful information about the automotive industry. "Playboy's Automotive Report," a quarterly series, will focus not only on the industry' most exciting new vehicles, but also on emerging trends, key issues and interesting personalities.

The January 1991 issue also features "Call of the Open Road," Playboy's annual review by a panel of six auto experts, including Gross; Len Frank, host of the nationally syndicated radio program, "The Car Show;" John Lamm, editor at large for Road & Track; Lynn St. James, North America's most successful woman race-car driver and ESPN commentator; Brock Yates, editor at large for Car and Driver; and David Stevens, a senior editor at Playboy.

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#90319p7342 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINCHESTER, VA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of F & M National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: FMNT) declared a fourth quarter cash dividend of 12-1/2 cents per share and a special cash dividend of 1-1/2 cents per share at its meeting Nov. 14.

The dividend is payable Dec. 28 to shareholders of record Nov. 28. F & M National's banking affiliates are: Farmers and Merchants National Bank, Winchester, Va.; F & M Bank - Central Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.; F & M Bank - Massanutten, Harrisonburg, Va.; F & M Bank, Richmond, Va.; The First National Bank of Broadway, Broadway, Va.; Blakeley Bank and Trust Company, Ranson, W.Va.; and F & M Bank, Martinsburg, W.Va.

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#90319p7345 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Allis-Chalmers Corporation today reported a net loss of $19,000 in the third quarter of 1990 compared with net income of $74,000 in the same period of 1989.

The 1990 loss was primarily attributable to costs incurred by the company in its program to identify and evaluate candidates for acquisition. The necessity to assure liquidity emphasizes the company's need to continue to pursue, in a prudent manner, its acquisition strategy and increase its operating base.

The company's operations are B.R.B. Industries (BRB), a Hoboken, N.J. manufacturer of molded fabric products, and Houston Dynamic Service, Inc. (HDS), a machine repair subsidiary in Houston. BRB, which serves the apparel and lingerie markets and the home sewing and notions industries, was acquired on Dec. 20, 1989, and its results are included in 1990 only.

Third quarter sales were $3.4 million in 1990, up from $962,000 in 1989, mainly because of the acquisition of BRB.

Third quarter gross margin as a percentage of sales increased to 34.5 percent in 1990 from 29.8 percent in 1989 as a consequence of the generally higher margins in the molded fabric products business. Compared with the second quarter of 1990, gross margin improved, mainly due to slightly higher sales and reduced costs at BRB and a more favorable mix of higher margin business at HDS.

For the first nine months of 1990, Allis-Chalmers reported a net loss of $54,000 compared with net income of $74,000 in the corresponding period of 1989. Sales were $9.8 million in 1990 and $2.8 million in 1989. The results for the 1990 period reflect the factors which affected the third quarter results as well as increased administrative expenses compared with 1989.

ALLIS-CHALMERS CORPORATION
(In thousands, except per share)

Period ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$ 3,341	$ 962	$ 9,781	$ 2,824
Net income (loss)	(19)	74	(54)	74
Average common shares	15,272	15,272	15,272	12,218
Income (loss) per share	--	--	--	--

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#90319p7347 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Oncor, Inc. (NASDAQ: ONCR) "is experiencing record 1990 gains in revenues as new DNA product introductions achieve quick market acceptance," Stephen Turner, chairman, said today.

"And as a result we have decided to write-off in the third quarter ended Sept. 30, earlier-stage inventory related to our new clinical products which include

the B/T Gene Rearrangement Test System, the In- Situ Chromosome Analysis Test System and the Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Test System, thus creating the foundation for a profitable 1991. The ramp-up of sales continues in the fourth quarter with October sales of $320,000 being the largest one month recorded in the history of the company," Turner added.

Turner said that "coupled with these third-quarter write-downs, increases in R&D expenses related to the company's new In-Situ Chromosome Analysis Test System, and costs associated with the initiation of a development program for DNA-based solid tumor diagnostics, resulted in a deficit for the quarter.

"Oncor is the first company to develop and market DNA probes that allow for the specific identification of all 24 human chromosomes for use in detecting genetic abnormalities. We are also developing DNA-based solid tumor diagnostic systems of which the first products will be for the detection of breast, colon bladder and prostate tumors," he added.

"The actions taken in the third quarter combined with increased sales from new products now in the marketplace, will result in improved gross profit margins in 1991," said Turner.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Oncor had sales of $696,192 compared with sales of $650,883 for the same three-month period in 1989. A 63 percent increase in research and development expenses in the third quarter and a $250,000 one-time write-down of earlier-stage inventory associated with the development and start-up of the company's new clinical products, resulted in a net loss for the quarter of $982,798, or 14 cents per share. This compares to a net loss of $439,691, or 8 cents per share in the 1989 third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Oncor had a 14.3 percent increase in sales to $2,124,794 from $1,858,933 for the same nine-month period in 1989. The net loss for the 1990 nine-month period was $1,758,126, or 24 cents per share, on a weighted average of 7,276,000 common shares outstanding, compared with a net loss of $1,294,197, or 25 cents per share, on a weighted average of 5,191,000 common shares outstanding in 1989.

Oncor, Inc. was the first company to manufacture and market DNA probes for tumor analysis. The company today develops, manufactures and markets nucleic acid (DNA/RNA) probes, reagents and instrument systems for the early detection and characterization of molecular diseases, including cancer and genetic disorders.

ONCOR, INC.
Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$696,192	$650,883	$2,124,794	$1,858,933

Net loss	(982,798)	(439,691)	(1,758,126)	(1,294,197)
Net loss per share	$(0.14)	$(0.08)	$(0.24)	$(0.25)
Weighted average shares outstdg.	7,276,000	5,191,000	7,276,000	5,191,000

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#90319p7349 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

TEL AVIV, ISRAEL (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Laser Industries Ltd., (AMEX: LAS) today reported financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $7,851,000 compared with $6,622,000 for the same quarter a year ago. The company had net income for the quarter of $16,000 or no cents per share compared with a net loss of $8,051,000 or $1.72 per share for the parallel quarter of the prior year. Net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, includes an extraordinary income of $991,000 resulting from an exchange offer whereby $4,036,000 face amount of the company's 8 percent subordinated convertible debentures were exchanged for 463,901 ordinary shares.

For the nine-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, the company had net sales of $24,104,000 compared with $22,007,000 for the similar 1989 period. Year-to-date net loss amounted to $1,064,000 or $.22 per share as compared with a net loss of $11,101,000 or $2.37 per share for the same period in 1989.

Laser Industries Ltd. is a leader in the design, development, manufacture and marketing of medical laser systems, accessories and disposables sold under the trade name, "Sharplan."

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Laser Industries

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PEAPACK, N.J. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Fedders Corporation (NYSE: FJQ) today announced it is ending assembly of room air conditioners at its Orangeville, Ontario, facility while continuing to use the site as a distribution center. Fedders, Inc., the Canadian subsidiary, continues to operate its sales office in Mississauga, Ontario, and will supply customers with products from Fedders' two other room air conditioner manufacturing facilities.

Sales of the Orangeville plant represented less than 10 percent of the total sales of Fedders Corporation in 1989. Costs associated with the elimination of assembly operations at Orangeville will be reported with the fourth-quarter

financial results.

The company attributed the assembly shutdown to a protracted strike. Approximately 136 employees are affected, most of whom have been on strike since May 7, 1990. At that time, members of the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers of Canada rejected the company's proposed contract to replace the agreement that expired on March 31, 1990. Negotiations regarding the contract had begun in February.

CONTACT: Barbara Van Blarcum or Joel Cohen of Fedders, 201-234-2100

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida today reported a net gain of $4.6 million for the third quarter of 1990, increasing earnings for the first nine months of the year to $49.8 million. This represents a $18.3 million improvement over the first nine months of 1989.

Total revenues increased to $1.1 billion for the first nine months of 1990 compared to $964.6 million for the same period a year earlier. Corporate assets rose to $647.7 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $490.7 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida policyholders' equity increased to $177.8 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $129.1 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Policyholders' equity is a measure of the company's ability to meet its obligations during times of economic instability or when claims expenses are higher than anticipated. As a business grows, the equity level needs to increase to meet more claims expense.

Contributing to the company's positive third quarter performance was a $2.1 million net gain by its health maintenance organization (HMO) operations that include Health Options, Inc., and Capital Health Plan. For the first nine months, HMO operations recorded earnings of $8 million, compared to $400,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF FLORIDA
THIRD QUARTER 1990 CONSOLIDATED CORPORATE FINANCIAL SUMMARY
(includes HMO)
(Jan. 1 through Sept. 30)
(dollars in millions)

	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$1,127.4	$964.6
Claims Expenses	871.0	767.4
Total Expenses	1,102.7	953.3
Investment Income	26.1	20.8

Provision for Income Tax	1.0	0.6
Net gain	49.8	31.5
Total Corporate Assets	647.7	490.7
Policyholders' Equity	177.8	129.1

CONTACT: Marianne Elden, 904-791-8075, or Marjorie Phillips, 904-791-6123, both of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida

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#90319p7360 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENSBORO, N.C. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Oakwood Homes Corporation (NYSE: OH) today announced it has received a commitment from Prudential Capital Corporation to provide financing for up to $85 million of its manufactured home loans during calendar 1991. This new facility, when closed, will represent the second consecutive year Prudential Capital, through its Atlanta office, has agreed to provide up to $85 million in financing.

The funds will be provided pursuant to notes sold by a special purpose corporation and be secured by installment sale contracts written by Oakwood. The closing of the facility, which is subject to the completion of necessary documentation, is scheduled for mid-December.

In commenting on the commitment, Nicholas J. St. George, Oakwood's president and chief financial officer, said: "Our overall objective is to attain diversity in our sources of capital in order to have the capability of financing home sales during any type of economic environment. This financing arrangement will provide a major access to the secondary markets. It is particularly gratifying to receive this commitment in light of the current economic climate and in doing so demonstrates further confirmation of Oakwood's strengths, our capabilities and potential in this area."

Oakwood Homes Corporation and its subsidiaries are engaged primarily in the production and sale of manufactured housing in North and South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Tennessee, Georgia, Delaware, Kentucky and Ohio.

CONTACT: C. Michael Kilbourne of Oakwood Homes, 919-855-2400

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Varitronic Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ:VRSY) reported today that net sales for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $10,013,000, which represented an increase of 2 percent over net sales of $9,815,000 in the first quarter of last year. Net income for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, was $800,000, compared with net income of $2,000 in the comparable period of the prior year. Earnings per share were 22 cents for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, with 3,638,000 weighted average shares

outstanding during the quarter. In the comparable period last year, there were 5,388,000 weighted average shares outstanding, and earnings were less than one cent per share.

For the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, machine sales were up 11.8 percent and sales of consumable supplies increased 4.9 percent over the same period last year. The combined increase in machine revenue and consumable supply revenue of $625,000 was partially offset by a $427,000 decrease in sales of accessory products.

Sales of accessory products have declined due to the Company's decision to offer certain of these products, such as font cards and font modules, free of charge with the purchase of a lettering machine or Typestyler(TM). Including complementary accessories at no charge with a machine purchase has had the impact of increasing machine sales while providing greater value to the customer.

"We are pleased with the increase in machine sales in the first quarter," said Scott Drill, chairman and CEO. "It clearly illustrates the effectiveness of our current marketing programs and promotions. The majority of the first quarter sales growth came from our PosterPrinter(TM) product line which has been the key to our successful combination selling program. Through this program, we provide incentives to our dealers who sell two or more of our products to a single end-user. A professional looking chart, sign or banner can easily be produced when the PosterPrinter is used to enlarge an orginal document created with one of our lettering systems or the Typestyler.

"Our balance sheet at Oct. 31, 1990, is very strong with cash of $3.8 million, no debt and stockholders' equity of $20.2 million, which represents a book value of $5.54 per common share."

Varitronics is a Minnesota-based developer, manufacturer and marketer of graphics products that enhance the quality, professionalism and effectiveness of a wide range of communications.

VARITRONIC SYSTEMS, INC.
Results of Operations
(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

	Three Months Ended	
	10/31/90	10/31/89
Net Sales	$10,013	$9,815
Income before income taxes	1,275	2
Provision for income taxes	475	--
Net income	800	2
Weighted average common shares outstanding	3,638	5,388
Earnings per share	$.22	--

CONTACT: Jack Falker of Swenson/Falker Associates Inc., 612-371-0000 for Varitronic Systems; or Debbie Moore of Varitronic Systems, 612-542-1500

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#90319p7370 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - American Real Estate Partners, L.P. (NYSE: ACP) today reported third-quarter and nine-month financial results.

In announcing the company's financial results, Chairman of the Board Benjamin D. Fein stated that earnings before property transactions and the amount of cash flow generated from day-to-day operations increased for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, from the comparable periods of 1989. However, Fein noted that, while net earnings increased for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, from the comparable period in 1989, net earnings decreased for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, from the comparable period of 1989 since losses were recorded for financial statement purposes as a result of the sale, during the quarter ended June 30, 1990, of certain real estate tenanted by the Western Union Corporation for less than the book value of such properties for financial reporting purposes. Fein also noted that while losses were recorded on the Western Union sales, these properties and all other properties sold during the 1990 periods were sold for net proceeds in excess of the appraised value of the properties at the time of the exchange in 1987.

American Real Estate Partners is a master limited partnership engaged in acquiring and managing real estate with a primary focus on office, retail and industrial properties.

AMERICAN REAL ESTATE PARTNERS, L.P.
Consolidated Results of Earnings
(Unaudited)

Third quarter ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$14,688,678	$14,971,219
Earnings before property transactions	5,914,913	5,273,686
Gain on property transactions	72,850	307,977
Net earnings	5,987,763	5,581,663
Net earnings per unit of limited partnership interest	$.42	$.38

Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$44,552,601	$44,051,162
Earnings before property transactions	18,488,378	17,595,862
(Loss) gain on property transactions	(2,098,566)	1,633,958
Net earnings	16,389,812	19,229,820
Net earnings per unit of limited partnership interest	$1.11	$1.29

CONTACT: Thomas M. Finn, senior vice president and chief financial officer, 212-353-7775, or Patricia S. Bennett, 212-353-6207, both of American Real Estate Partners

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#90319p7372 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that Cambrex Corporation of East Rutherford, N.J., began trading 4,530,047 common shares today. Cambrex is a diverse specialty chemical company that previously traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CBAM.

Trading under ticker symbol CBM, the common stock opened on 100 shares at 5.

Cambrex manufactures and markets a line of specialty and fine chemicals, commodity chemical intermediates and performance enhancing additives, and chemicals to customer specification. The company's manufacturing facilities are located in Bayonne and Carlstadt, N.J.; Harriman, N.Y.; Delaware Water Gap Pa.,; and North Haven, Conn.

Cambrex uses castor oil, pyridine, organometallics, succinic anhydrides, organobromines and ammonia reaction chemistry to produce compounds in five product categories: urethane systems and additives, coatings, health and cosmetic products, agricultural chemical intermediates, and specialty and fine chemicals.

Cambrex reported unaudited net income of $3,526,400, or $.71 per share, on revenues of $71,414,000 for the six months ended June 30, 1990, compared with net income of $3,767,000, or $.67 per share, on revenues of $65,776,300 for the comparable period in 1989.

CONTACT: Lisa Kravitz of the American Stock Exchange, 212-306-1632

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#90319p7375 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Until recently, when a mother, school nurse or coach watched a child fall down and knock their teeth out, all they could do was wipe the tears and prepare for the large dental bills it would take to fill the gaps.

Since teeth die within 15 minutes of an accident, it was almost impossible to get to a dentist fast enough.

Dental bills ($10,000 or more), as well as associated bridgework, pain and lawsuits, can be avoided by using a new first aid product, the Emergency Tooth Preserving System. The system, based on 25 years of dental trauma research, can, for 12-24 hours, store, preserve and help save most of the millions of

teeth knocked out each year.

Dr. Henry J. Rankow, president of the Pennsylvania Association of Endodontics, said, "The Emergency TPS is FDA-approved and has been evaluated and recommended for use by Clinical Research Associates and the Emergency Research Council Institute, leading independent dental and medical product testing laboratories."

It is being used by all U.S. Olympic Teams and most professional sports teams including the Philadelphia Eagles and New York Yankees. It was used to save three athletes' knocked-out teeth at this year's Goodwill Games.

The Emergency TPS's patented design facilitates lay use and its special preserving fluid and engineered net create the optimum environment in which to store, replenish and protect knocked-out teeth until a dentist can replant them.

Research has shown that one out of every 200 school-aged children and athletes both amateur and professional, have teeth knocked out each year.

Dr. Paul Krasner of Philadelphia, a specialist in tooth injury and the product's inventor, said, "Many institutions and businesses experience lawsuits related to knocked-out teeth; the Emergency TPS provides the best protection against them."

"Since the Emergency TPS is the only product designed to store knocked-out teeth, it best complies with the recommendations of the American Dental Association for the storage of knocked-out teeth," Krasner said.

Since teeth can be knocked out anywhere, the Emergency TPS is recommended to be available at all schools, hospitals, dentists' offices, ambulances, sports teams' training bags, first aid kits and day-care centers. Since 30 percent of all teeth are knocked out while children are at home, the system should also be located there.

For additional information, call Biological Rescue Products, 800-882-0505.

CONTACT: Dr. Paul Krasner of Biological Rescue Products, 800-882-0505

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#90319p7376 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Society Corporation (NASDAQ: SOCI) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $0.44 per common share payable Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 27.

Society Corporation is one of the largest bank holding companies in the

Midwest with assets of $15.6 billion at Sept. 30. The holding company has 370 offices in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Florida. Through its affiliates, Society engages in commercial banking, consumer banking, mortgage banking and leasing, and provides trust and investment banking services.

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#90319p7380 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, Pa. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Air Products and Chemicals Inc. (NYSE: APD) today declared a quarterly dividend on the company's common stock of 36 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on Feb. 11, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 4.

The quarterly dividend was increased from 33 cents per share to 36 cents by board action in June 1990.

CONTACT: Frank Santana of Air Products and Chemicals, 215-481-4520

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#90319p7381 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Tambrands Inc. (NYSE: TMB) announced today that it has completed the sale of its Lake Success, Long Island headquarters facility to Astoria Federal Savings of Jackson Heights, Queens. As previously announced, Tambrands will continue to occupy the facility under lease from Astoria Federal until Tambrands moves to a new headquarters in Westchester County in 1991. Financial terms of the transaction are not being disclosed.

The headquarters sale is part of Tambrands' restructuring program announced in December 1989. Tambrands' planned move to a smaller facility in Westchester will reduce Tambrands' operating expenses and increase its cash resources. The relocation also will improve access to the company's technical center in Palmer, Mass. and the company's existing manufacturing plants in New England and upstate New York. The company has not yet finalized its choice of a site in Westchester County.

Tambrands is a multinational manufacturer and marketer of personal care products, including Tampax tampons and Maxithins sanitary pads.

CONTACT: Paul E. Konney, senior vice president of Tambrands, 516-358-8774

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#90319p7382 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS, (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Digi International Inc. (NASDAQ: DGII) today announced record sales of $6.98 million and record earnings of $1.5 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales increased 14 percent over the third quarter of 1990 and 70 percent over the fourth quarter of 1989. Earnings increased 19 percent over the previous quarter and 110 percent over the same period for 1989.

Earnings per share ended the quarter at $.38, a 58 percent increase over the same period in 1989, despite the dilution created by the sale of 1,051,795 shares of common stock in the company's initial public offering completed during 1990.

Digi International Inc. also posted record sales and earnings for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $23.2 million and $5.0 million, respectively. This represents a 58 percent increase in sales and a 78 percent increase in earnings over the same period in 1989. Earnings per share for the same period rose 32 percent to $1.23.

"We view these results as a strong indication of the continued growth in the 'multiuser market' and acceptance of our products which serve as vital components in multiuser systems," said John Schinas, Digi International president and chief executive officer.

Digi International Inc. is a leading producer of data communications hardware and software connectivity products that permit microcomputers to function as multiuser systems.

CONTACT: Jerry Wall of Digi International, 612-922-8055

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#90319p7390 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - T Cell Sciences, Inc. (NASDAQ: TCEL) announced today that its proprietary technology position has been strengthened by the issuance of an eighth T cell antigen receptor patent. T Cell Sciences is the exclusive licensee of U.S. Patent No. 4,970,296 issued to M.I.T. and Stanford University. This patent covers the combined alpha and beta subunit proteins and is important in establishing a proprietary market position for the company's therapeutic products, which are being developed to treat autoimmune diseases. The inventors include Herman Eisen and Susumu Tonegawa of M.I.T., and Mark Davis of Stanford.

The T Cell antigen receptor is expressed on T cells, a type of white blood cell, and is critical in the initiation of the human immune response. Each T cell antigen receptor consists of two of four possible subunits, the alpha and

beta or gamma and delta subunits. T Cell Sciences is the owner or exclusive licensee of patents and patent submissions which cover the genes that encode these subunits, the proteins of and monoclonal antibodies to these subunits, as well as the diagnostic and therapeutic uses of the subunits. T Cell Sciences believes these patents will be the foundation of current product development efforts using T cell antigen receptors as vaccines to treat autoimmune diseases and cancer.

Utilizing proprietary T cell receptor and soluble receptor technology, T Cell Sciences, Inc. is developing pharmaceutical products to treat heart disease and autoimmune diseases as well as products for diagnosing and monitoring immune system disorders and cancer. Located in Cambridge, the company currently markets products to the medical research community and an FDA-approved test kit to the diagnostic market.

CONTACT: James D. Grant, chairman and CEO, or Susan Primrose, 617-621-1400, of T Cell Sciences; or Fredric Spar of Kekst & Company, 212-593-2655, for T Cell Sciences

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#90319p7392 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - On Nov. 15, 1990, SmartCard International Inc. (NASDAQ: SMRT) received a loan of $400,000 from Poly Ventures L.P., a venture capital firm, and the company's largest investor, SmartCard announced today.

The loan is payable in full in one year and the rate is set at prime plus 1 percent. The loan can be extended beyond one year subject to Poly Ventures and the company's mutual agreement. In addition, Poly Ventures was granted a warrant to purchase, at the price of $.125 per share, 640,000 shares, par value $.001 per share of the common stock of the company for a period of five years from the date of the loan agreement.

SmartCard International is a development stage company which designs, manufacturers and markets "smart card" systems. Smart cards are plastic cards having the approximate dimensions of a standard credit card, which are embedded with microchips, giving the card both logic and memory.

CONTACT: Steven P. Vizoukis vice president-finance of SmartCard International, 212-594-9500

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#90319p7393 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Garuda Indonesia has announced orders for nine 747-400 and 16 737-300 airliners, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group said today. The announcement carries the 737-300 model over the 1,000-order mark

and makes the 747-400 the most-ordered type of 747.

The Jakarta-based carrier today signed contracts for three of the 747-400s and eight 737-300s, with a total value of $700 million. In addition, the airline made public a 1989 order for six 747-400s and eight 737-300 twinjets. Taken together, the orders are valued at around $1.8 billion.

Garuda currently operates six 747-200 aircraft and six leased 737-300s, with two more leased -300s to come.

The new 747-400s will serve routes to the major cities of Europe, the Middle East, North America and Japan, while the 737s will serve major domestic trunk routes among the 17,500 Indonesian islands.

The 737-300s will be powered by CFM56-3 engines from CFM International, and the 747-400s by CF6-80C2 engines from General Electric.

Boeing has now received orders for 394 of the 747-400s, one more than the total for all types of 747-200s. The world's largest, most modern and longest-range jetliner, the 747-400 incorporates technical advances in aerodynamics, structural materials, avionics and engines. In addition, a redesigned interior presents a roomier look and has larger stowage bins for carry-on items. Orders for the 747 family now have reached 1,118.

The Boeing 737-300 is the best-selling model of the new-generation 737 twinjet series, becoming one of the few airliner variants to exceed 1000 orders. Orders for the 737-300 now total 1,001. Altogether, 737 family orders are now 2,880.

For 1990, Boeing has announced 483 orders for all types of jetliners with an approximate value of $42.85 billion.

CONTACT: Tom Cole of Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, 206-237-5445

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#90319p7397 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAMILTON, BERMUDA, (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Sea Containers Ltd. (NYSE: SCR), lessor of marine cargo containers and ferries and ports operator, announced today that net earnings for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $24.3 million on revenue of $121.5 million. Earnings per common share were $4.42 For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net earnings were $339.5 million ($45.95 per common share), however, these amounts include a capital gain of $290 million arising form the sale of some of the company's container, ferry and port assets earlier in the year. Excluding this gain, net income for the nine months was $49.5 million and after deducting $8.2 million of preferred share dividends, earnings on common shares were $41.3 million. The company forecast earlier in the year that it would earn $47.4 million on common shares

for the full year 1990 and James P. Sherwood, president, said that it now looked likely net income on common shares would be within 10 percent of this target. The fourth quarter is not a strong earnings period for ferries, ports and hotels and currently very high fuel costs will cause hovercraft operations to underperform. Sherwood said that the company was unable to reassess as yet is earnings per common share forecast for 1991 because the budgeting process was not complete, but he said it was likely the company would earn more than the $47.4 million on common shares originally forecast for 1990, assuming there is no adverse change in business conditions form those currently prevailing. Comparison of 1990 earnings with 1989 are not meaningful because of the asset sales.

Sherwood pointed out that in 1990, the average number of common shares outstanding for purposes of calculating earnings per common share should be 6.65 million. Assuming no new common shares are issued in 1991, the average number of common shares outstanding in 1991 for purposes of calculating per share income will be 4.9 million, so if the company were top earn $47.4 million on common shares in 1991, its net income per common share would be $9.67. The reduction in average shares arises from purchases of common shares by the company and its subsidiaries earlier this year. Shares so purchased by subsidiaries remain outstanding and voting but are not counted in computation of earnings per common share.

Sherwood said the company's marine container leading business was performing well, with utilization and rates firm. Operation "Desert Shield" is stimulating container demand as earlier predicted. Refrigerated container utilization has been edging upwards. Container repair depot income was down somewhat in the quarter, reflecting less containers currently available for repair or refurbishment but this is an indicator of a strong underlying lease market. The company's two new standard dry cargo container factories are now producing units in volume and leases have been concluded for all production until well into 1991. The company is still bearing a higher overhead cost in its Container division that would be normal, but as new containers flow into service no additional overhead is being created so incremental profitability of new containers is exceptionally high. The company sold its standard dry cargo container fleet, having an average age of 8 years, earlier this year and is replacing it with a brand new fleet which will have substantially lower repair costs. The company decided to keep its worldwide network of offices and agents in place during the new container build-up period, thus the higher than normal overhead expense. The company expects to purchase more than $100 million of new containers in 1991.

Ferries and ports have performed well this year, although higher than expected fuel costs and the impact of high interest rates on U.K. tourist travel have somewhat dampened earnings. Higher fuel costs should be recovered through higher fares for 1991. The company's revolutionary car-carrying catamaran, "Hoverspeed Great Britain," continued to set records when it made the crossing from mainland Britain to the Isle of Man in 1 hour and 30 minutes on Nov. 6.

The Hales Trophy for the Blue Riband of the Atlantic will be presented to the company in a ceremony aboard the ship at Tower Bridge in London on Nov. 19. All the start up costs of the operation of this first vessel have been charged to provisions. The second vessel will enter service on the mainland Australia-Tasmania route in mid-December and bookings are excellent. The third and fourth vessels will commence operation on the Dover, England to Calais and Boulogne, France routes in time for the peak season of 1991, replacing two of the company's aging hovercraft which will be retired. Sherwood said that valuable experience had been gained through trial operation of the first ship of the Portsmouth, England to Cherbourg, France route this year and as a result a number of improvements have been made to the units following in the series.

Sherwood said that the asset sales earlier in the year had greatly increased the company's financial strength and that a number of interesting investment opportunities in or relating to the container leasing and ferries businesses were under active investigation.

CONTACT: Julianne Schindler of Sea Containers America, 212-302-5066, or Victor Beaudet of Manning, Selvage & Lee, 212-213-7076, for Sea Containers

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#90319p7401 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Time Warner Inc. (NYSE: TWX) today declared the following dividends for three classes of Time Warner securities:

A regular quarterly cash dividend of $.25 per common share payable on Dec. 10, 1990 to shareholders of record on Nov. 26, 1990.

A regular quarterly dividend of $1.09375 per share of Series C 8-3/4 percent convertible exchangeable preferred stock payable on Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 17, 1990.

A regular quarterly dividend of .0275 of a share of Series D 11 percent convertible exchangeable preferred stock per share of Series D preferred payable on Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 17, 1990.

CONTACT: Edward Adler of Time Warner, 212-484-6630

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#90319p7403 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, ARIZ (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Keebee Corp. (OTC "Pink Sheets"/Bulletin Board: KEBE) today announced the following arrangements.

First, Keebee has agreed to acquire for $5 million to be paid over a five-year

period, 250,000 tons of separated ore concentrates. Keebee intends to purchase and process the material. Keebee believes that this material contains precious metals which Keebee will be able to recover and sell profitably. The new improved technology for the extraction and recovery of these metals will be used on an environmental clean-up project which will produce, as a by-product, iron hydroxide which can be used by the agricultural community to enhance depleted soils. However, it is too early to project the value of the precious metals or the cost of separating them from the ore.

Second, Keebee has cancelled the agreement announced in June 1990 wherein Keebee issued 33,750,000 shares of its common stock in exchange for two debentures with face amounts of $50 million each. The reason for the cancellation was the failure of the two companies issuing the debentures to provide financial statements indicating that such issuers had sufficient net worth to be able to pay the principal and interest due on the debentures. The 33,750,000 shares have been returned to Keebee.

Keebee's principal office is now located at 2828 North Central Ave., 13th Floor, Phoenix, AZ 85004. For further information, contact Ivan M. Kerzner, chief executive officer, at 602-234-0244.

CONTACT: Ivan M. Kerzner, CEO of The Keebee Corp., 602-234-0244

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#90319p7404 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, ARIZ. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Keebee Corp. (OTC "Pink Sheets"/Bulletin Board: KEBE) today announced the following arrangements.

First, Keebee has agreed to acquire for $5 million to be paid over a five-year period, 250,000 tons of separated ore concentrates. Keebee intends to purchase and process the material. Keebee believes that this material contains precious metals which Keebee will be able to recover and sell profitably. The new improved technology for the extraction and recovery of these metals will be used on an environmental clean-up project which will produce, as a by-product, iron hydroxide which can be used by the agricultural community to enhance depleted soils. However, it is too early to project the value of the precious metals or the cost of separating them from the ore.

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CONTACT: Ivan M. Kerzner, CEO of The Keebee Corp., 602-234-0244

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Sterling Bancorp (NYSE: STL), parent company of Sterling National Bank & Trust Company of New York, the company's principal subsidiary, today declared a quarterly dividend of 5 cents per common share, payable Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 15.

This dividend is the 180th consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid by the company and its predecessors since it became a public corporation in 1946.

CONTACT: Ezra J. Denerstein, president, or Theodore H. Silbert, chairman of Sterling Bancorp, 212-826-8000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - RADA Electronics Industries Limited (NASDAQ-NMS: RADFD) has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to the proposed sale of 1,500,000 ordinary shares. All of the ordinary shares are being sold by the company. First Equity Corporation of Florida is acting as sole manager for the offering.

RADA and its subsidiaries operate in two business segments: the development, manufacture and sale of defense-related electronic equipment and the distribution of sophisticated electronic components. The company's industry sector manufactures automated test equipment, avionic and airborne equipment, and ruggedized computers for the aerospace and military markets. RADA's commerce and trade sector acts as a distributor and manufacturers' representative for U.S. and Far East manufacturers of electronic components and IBM compatible computer products and peripheral equipment.

On Nov. 14, 1990, the last reported sales price of the company's ordinary shares on the National Market System was $5-1/8 per share.

The registration statement relating to these securities has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

CONTACT: Neil Pace of RADA Electronics Industries, 212-734-8340

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TAMPA, FL. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Assix, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ASIX), which markets AccuBalance(TM), a proprietary wheel balancing program to large volume tire retailers, today announced record earnings for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

First quarter revenues were $2,208,742, up 85 percent from $1,193,310 in the 1989 first quarter. Net income rose 21 percent, to $259,733, or $.06 per share, as compared with $214,312, or $.05 per share in 1989. The number of weighted average shares used to calculate earnings per share using the modified treasury stock method was 4,840,377 on a fully diluted basis, approximately 21 percent higher than in the prior year.

R. Park Newton III, president and chief executive officer, noted that the earnings increase resulted from continued expansion of the company's programs, principally in Sears stores across the country. The total installed base at the end of the first quarter consisted of 1,944 systems, an increase of 77 percent over the 1,099 of last year's first quarter.

As previously announced, the company has completed its major program with Sears, installing approximately 1,360 systems in 893 Sears outlets. The company anticipates that it will continue to expand its installed base by fine-tuning its program with current customers and by introducing its new AccuBalance(TM) five-step quality assurance program. A test program with Montgomery Ward was recently expanded from 17 systems to 40; additional discussions with large tire retailers in both the U.S. and abroad are progressing well, according to Newton.

Assix, Inc. comprises three strategic business units: Assix Automotive N.A., Inc., Assix Automotive-Europe GmbH and Bestec Inc. Assix markets AccuBalance(TM), a five-step quality assurance tire/wheel service to large retail and automotive chains around the world. Assix's services are supported by its Bestec subsidiary, which has created sophisticated management and marketing support systems that ensure the success and profitability of Assix's retail partners.

ASSIX, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,208,742	$1,193,310
Net income	259,733	214,312
Earnings per common and common equivalent share:		
Primary	$.06(A)	$.05(B)
Fully diluted	$.06(A)	$.05(B)
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding:	4,610,377	3,989,283

Primary		
Fully diluted	4,840,377	3,989,283

(A) Computed using the modified treasury stock method. Under this method, common stock warrants and options are assumed to have been exercised at the beginning of the period, with the proceeds being used to purchase a maximum of 20 percent of the outstanding number of common shares. The excess of the number of shares issued over the number of shares that could have been purchased is added to the weighted average number of shares outstanding for the period.

The calculation of fully diluted earnings per share assumes conversion of convertible senior subordinated notes.

(B) Computed based upon the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Common stock warrants and options were not considered because they were antidilutive in the aggregate.

CONTACT: S. Lee Puckett, vice president of Assix, 813-224-0228; or Cindy Knoebel, 212-661-8030, or Linda Eitel, 312-266-7800, of The Financial Relations Board

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#90319p7414 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of PNC Financial Corp (NYSE: PNC) has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 53 cents per share on the common stock.

The dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record as of the close of business Dec. 7, 1990.

The board declared a quarterly cash dividend of 40 cents per share on preferred stock, Series C; 45 cents per share on preferred stock, Series D; and 65 cents per share on preferred stock, Series E, all payable Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record as of the close of business Dec. 7, 1990.

The board also declared a quarterly cash dividend of 45 cents per share on preferred stock, Series A and B, payable March 10, 1991, to stockholders of record as of the close of business Feb. 15, 1991.

PNC Financial Corp, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is the nation's 15th-largest bank holding company with assets of $45.7 billion. PNC was formed in 1983 with the consolidation of Pittsburgh National Corp., Pittsburgh, and Provident National Corp., Philadelphia. Its principal banking affiliates include: Bank of Delaware Corp., Wilmington, Del.; The Central Bancorporation Inc., Cincinnati (includes banks in Ohio and Kentucky); Citizens Fidelity Corp., Louisville, Ky. (includes banks in Kentucky and Indiana); The First Bank and

Trust Co., Mechanicsburg, Pa.; The Hershey Bank, Hershey, Pa.; Marine Bank, Erie, Pa.; Northeastern Bank of Pennsylvania, Scranton, Pa.; Pittsburgh National Bank, Pittsburgh; Provident National Bank, Philadelphia; PNC National Bank, Wilmington, Del.; and PNC National Bank of New Jersey, Cherry Hill, N.J. PNC currently operates 535 community banking offices in Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, Delaware and New Jersey. It also conducts business through additional offices in 15 states.

CONTACT: Earl J. Bohn, media, 412-762-2477, or home at 412-734-4185; or Sheila S. Fischl, investors, 412-762-8257, both of PNC

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#90319p7417 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEDFORD, Ma (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Millipore Corporation (NYSE: MIL) announced a quarterly dividend of 11 cents per share payable on Jan. 25, 1991 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: John S. Glass of Millipore, 617-275-9200

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#90319p7418 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - OKC Ltd. Partnership (OKCPZ) (NASDAQ: OKC), has settled its pending litigation with Texas Eastern Transmission Corp. concerning OKC's sales of natural gas to Texas Eastern. The settlement involves prompt payment by Texas Eastern to OKC for the settlement of claims related to the litigation.

Under the terms of the Settlement Agreement, details of the settlement are to be kept confidential. However, Cloyce K. Box, one of the general partners of OKC, stated, "Reaching this settlement is a great step forward for OKC. We believe this significantly strengthens the Partnership and we now look forward to continued development activity in the South Pass Area."

CONTACT: Cloyce K. Box of OKC Ltd. Partnership, 214-233-7100

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#90319p7419 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEPTUNE, N.J. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - USLIFE Corporation (NYSE: USH) today hosted a meeting at its operations center in Neptune, N.J. for more than 50 securities analysts, portfolio managers and other members of the financial community who closely follow this major life- insurance holding company. The purpose of this second annual meeting was to provide the attendees with a current status report on the Corporation's positive financial position and investment strategy in light of frequent media reporting on solvency problems

being experienced by some insurers within the life insurance industry.

In his opening remarks, Gordon E. Crosby, Jr., chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of USLIFE, stated: "One of our principal objectives today is to put our own operations in perspective and, thereby, distinguish and separate USLIFE from our more troubled peers. While we do have our share of challenging opportunities, our overall financial and management strengths are formidable and give us very valid reasons to demonstrate why we are different."

Complementing Crosby's remarks, other members of the company's senior management discussed the high quality of the bond and real estate portfolios, the adequacy of reserves, and the stock repurchase program initiated in 1981.

Specifically, USLIFE invested assets totaled $3.6 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990. Fixed income investments account for 97 percent, or $3.5 billion, of invested assets, including $2.7 billion in bonds and redeemable preferred stocks, $444 million in mortgages and $289 million in policy loans. The remaining 3 percent is for investments in real estate ($50 million), joint ventures and other long-term investments ($28 million), and equity securities ($25 million). Of total invested assets, only 1.1 percent are either defaulted bonds or delinquent mortgages. USLIFE substantially increased its investment grade bonds to 93 percent of its total bond portfolio as of Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to 83 percent on Dec. 31, 1989. USLIFE invested assets as of Sept. 30, 1990 included approximately $184 million book value of less than investment grade securities with a market value of approximately $124 million. Approximately $40 million in book value of these securities, or about 1 percent of invested assets, were classified as "problem securities." Of that group, only $21 million with a market value of $9 million were in default or bankruptcy as of Sept. 30, 1990.

In the real estate market, USLIFE's exposure is comparatively modest with real estate investments amounting to approximately $50 million and a mortgage portfolio totaling $444 million which, collectively, represent approximately 14 percent of total invested assets and considerably below the industry average of 30 percent. Foreclosed real estate in these portfolios amounted to $32.5 million of book value, or less than 1 percent of invested assets, as of Sept. 30, 1990. Mortgages delinquent 60 days or more or in foreclosure amounted to $17.9 million, or 4 percent of the mortgage portfolio.

USLIFE has limited new mortgage investments to fully occupied general-purpose properties and, therefore, has little or no exposure to construction loans, land acquisitions, speculative developments or management-intensive specialty businesses such as hospitality or health care.

With new mortgage lending activity sharply curtailed for some time, USLIFE's existing portfolio is well-seasoned and geographically diversified on a national scale with no undue concentration by region or metropolitan area.

The USLIFE stock repurchase program was extended by the board of directors on Nov. 13, 1990 for a one-year period through October 1991. Through Nov. 9, 1990 USLIFE repurchased an additional 1,350,100 shares of its common stock at a total cost of $48.4 million. Treasury stock purchases commenced in 1981 and since that time USLIFE has acquired 10.4 million shares of its common stock to date for a total cost of $329.8 million with an average cost per share of $31.67 as compared to book value per share of $58.81 as of Sept. 30, 1990. Cumulative purchases represent more than 46 percent of the 22.2 million common shares outstanding when the program commenced in 1981.

Other presentations at this meeting included status reports on USLIFE's life insurance subsidiaries plus current marketing strategy, marketing results, new product introductions, as well as a discussion of life insurance industry sales trends.

CONTACT: Richard P. Keating, vice president-corporate communications of USLIFE, 212-709-6227

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#90319p7420 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Lancer Corporation (AMEX: LAN), a San Antonio based leading manufacturer of fountain soft drink and other beverage dispensing systems sold worldwide, founded 23 years ago with a current employment of 566 employees announces results of operations for the third quarter and nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $31,494,011 compared with $25,248,766 for the previous year's nine month total. Revenues for this year's third quarter amounted to $10,303,722 compared to $9,018,947 generated during last year's third quarter. These increases reflect continued growth in foreign markets complemented with a stable domestic market.

Net earnings for the nine-months and quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $911,915 and $203,699, respectively, as compared to the prior year's totals of $737,549 and $282,069.

The net earnings per share for the nine months and third quarter ended September 30, 1990 were $.39 and $.09, respectively, compared to $.32 and $.12 for the comparable periods in 1989.

During the past nine months, cash flows from operations increased because of higher earnings, a Federal income tax refund and a leveling of inventory resulting from improved purchasing and scheduling. The increased cash flow allowed the company to finance all its capital expenditures and reduce debt by $2 million.

LANCER CORPORATION
(In thousands except for earnings per share)

Periods ended:	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$10,304	$ 9,019	$31,494	$25,249
Operating income	753	817	2,814	2,053
Net earnings	204	282	912	738
Net earnings per common share	$ 0.09	$ 0.12	$ 0.39	$ 0.32
Shares outstanding	2,327	2,327	2,327	2,327

CONTACT: George F. Schroeder, president of Lancer Corporation, 512-344-3071

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#90319p7422 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTFIELD, NJ (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - E'town Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: EWAT), announced today that the company's board of directors increased its quarterly cash dividend from $.74 to $.75 per common share and declared a 3-for-2 stock split of E'town common stock.

The fourth quarter cash dividend $.75 per common share will be paid Dec. 21, 1990, to holders of record on Dec. 7, 1990. The 3-for-2 stock split will be effective Jan. 18, 1991, to holders of record on Jan. 4, 1991.

The increase in the indicated annual dividend rate from $2.96 to $3.00 reflects the company's expectation that there will be continued improvement in results from its water utility operations during 1991.

In October, the company reported earnings per share of $3.08 for the twelve-month period, ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $2.12 for the comparable 1989 period. Both years were impacted by unfavorable weather conditions and the lag in realizing a return on new capital investments.

In May 1990, the Elizabethtown Water Company, E'town's principal operating subsidiary, filed for a $13.8 million rate increase with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities. A decision is expected by the second quarter of 1991.

E'town Corporation is the parent company of Elizabethtown Water Company and E'town Properties, Inc. Elizabethtown Water Company and its subsidiary, The Mount Holly Water Company, provide water service to 54 municipalities in eight New Jersey counties.

CONTACT: Andrew M. Chapman, chief financial officer of E'town, 201-654-1234.

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#90319p7424 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN MANUEL, ARIZ (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Magma Copper Co. (AMEX: MCU) announced today that the indexed interest rate on its Copper Interest-Indexed Senior Subordinated Notes due 1998 (AMEX: MCU.c), for the quarterly period ending Feb. 15, 1991, is 16.7 percent per annum.

Magma Copper Co. is one of the largest producers of refined copper in the United States.

CONTACT: Richard P. Johnson, corporate treasurer, 602-385-3460, of Magma Copper Co.

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#90319p7426 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Halliburton Co.'s (NYSE: HAL) board of directors declared a fourth quarter dividend of 25 cents per share. The dividend is payable on Dec. 19, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 28, 1990.

The directors also approved a capital budget for property, plant and equipment of $442 million for 1991, a 12 percent increase over the $395 million 1990 capital budget.

Thomas H. Cruikshank, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Halliburton Co., said, "The 1991 capital budget reflects our expectations for continued improvement in the demand for the company's services and products. More than 80 percent of the 1991 capital budget is allocated to the company's oil field services business in support of the group's plans for future growth."

Halliburton Co. is one of the world's largest diversified oil field services, engineering and construction companies. Founded in 1919, Halliburton provides oil field services and products, industrial and marine engineering and construction services, and property and casualty insurance services.

CONTACT: Guy T. Marcus of Halliburton Co., 214-978-2691

-30- 1348

#90319p7434 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANVILLE, VA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Dibrell Brothers Incorporated (NASDAQ-NMS: DRBL) (Dibrell), a wholesale supplier of tobacco leaf for the cigarette industry, said today that the final purchase price of the Brazilian tobacco operations it acquired from R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company (RJRTC) was in dispute, and that RJRTC had filed suit to enjoin the release of an independent audit confirming a final and fair valuation of the assets purchased.

According to Dibrell Chairman, Mr. Claude B. Owen, Jr., Dibrell purchased the

Brazilian leaf and cigarette manufacturing operations from RJRTC in early April, 1990 and simultaneously sold the cigarette business to Philip Morris. The purchase agreement was for Dibrell to pay $9 million, plus up to $41 million for the tangible net worth of the company as determined by Ernst & Young in a final audit of the closing balance sheet. On receipt of Ernst & Young's determination, the agreement stipulated that RJRTC would reimburse Dibrell within five business days for any difference between RJRTC's valuation and that made by Ernst & Young.

"All parties anticipated that RJRTC would reimburse some of the money to Dibrell," said Mr. Owen. "Apparently, due to large losses in RJRTC's Brazilian cigarette operations, resulting in part from certain Brazilian Government economic initiatives, Ernst & Young has determined that the tangible net worth is substantially less than was represented on RJRTC's closing balance sheet." He added, "According to RJRTC's complaint, the tangible net worth is some $35 million less."

The complaint filed by RJRTC in Superior Court, Forsyth County, North Carolina alleges that the valuation of the assets does not use the valuation accounting method required by the purchase agreement, and that it would result in a financial windfall for Dibrell. It also charges that Ernst & Young acted improperly and unfairly in valuing the property, encouraged by Dibrell. "We believe that RJRTC's case is totally without merit and we intend to pursue this litigation vigorously," said Mr. Owen.

"We have successfully done business with RJRTC for many years on the basis of mutual confidence and a handshake. It is incredible that they have now taken this exraordinary legal action against Ernst & Young in order to delay repayment to Dibrell of the amount due us under the contract."

CONTACT: John Hunnicutt of Dibrell Brothers Incorporated, 804-791-0151

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#90319p7435 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Frederick's of Hollywood Inc. (AMEX: FHO) today reported the second consecutive year of record high earnings and sales.

Net earnings for the year ended Sept. 1, 1990, advanced 39 percent to $4,242,000, equal to $.75 per share, from $3,043,000, or $.54 per share, for the prior fiscal year. Sales for fiscal 1990 rose 23 percent to $98,573,000 from $80,073,000 a year ago.

For the fourth quarter ended Sept. 1, 1990, net earnings increased 37 percent to $1,066,000, equal to $.19 per share, from $777,000, or $.14 per share, for the corresponding prior year period. Sales for the three month period rose to $24,067,000 from $19,266,000 for the prior year's fourth fiscal quarter.

Earnings per share amounts for both prior year periods have been adjusted to reflect a 3-for-2 stock split, effected in the form of a stock dividend effective May 15, 1990.

George W. Townson, chairman and chief executive officer, said both the Frederick's of Hollywood retail store network and mail order subsidiary showed strong gains for the year. The Frederick's stores posted a 41 percent increase in operating profits for the year, on a 21 percent sales increase. Comparable store sales rose 12 percent. During the year, 25 new Frederick's stores were opened, and six were closed.

Townson stated that the mail order subsidiary for fiscal 1990 recorded a 38 percent increase in operating profits on a 30 percent sales improvement. More than 25 million catalogs were distributed throughout the year.

"Proceeding into the first quarter of the new fiscal year, we are experiencing a slower rate of sales growth, due largely to general uneasiness in the consumer sector," said Townson. "We are closely monitoring inventories and expenses to keep pace with current business conditions. Today's economic environment notwithstanding, we are confident of achieving another successful year," Townson added.

At fiscal year end, the company operated 178 specialty boutique stores in 37 states and a mail-order division serving customers in all 50 states.

CONTACT: George W. Townson or John B. Hatfield of Frederick's of Hollywood Inc., 213-466-5151; or Roger S. Pondel of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Frederick's

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#90319p7437 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Life USA Holding, Inc. today reported results for the third quarter of 1990 and for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990. Life USA consolidated net income for the third quarter was $810,553, compared with $1,367,898 for the same quarter last year. Total nine-month consolidated net income was $4,557,630, compared to $1,811,956, for the same period last year.

Total consolidated revenues of the company increased by 49 percent to $22,064,013 for the third quarter of 1990, compared with total consolidated revenues of $14,765,016 for the third quarter of 1989. Total nine-month consolidated revenues were $60,897,295, compared with $48,319,372 of revenues for all of 1989.

The company's total consolidated assets were $135,527,129 at the end of the third quarter of 1990, compared with total consolidated assets of $23,072,089 at the end of 1989. In the third quarter, capital surplus increased from

$15,193,374 to $19,690,434.

During the third quarter, the company's subsidiary, LifeUSA Insurance Company (LifeUSA) and Transamerica agreed to end their current exclusive reinsurance arrangement, effective Jan. 1, 1992, or sooner, at the option of LifeUSA. The company anticipates announcing agreement soon with a number of major national and international reinsurers, to form a "pool" of reinsurance to support the growth of LifeUSA in the future.

Chairman Robert W. MacDonald said, "We believe the new reinsurance arrangements will be very beneficial to LifeUSA's long-term growth. Currently, LifeUSA is well positioned for a continuation of sales growth in the fourth quarter. The Universal Annuity Life policy, which has already doubled life production, promises to show even stronger growth. Due to a shift in marketing emphasis to life insurance, which takes a longer period of time to generate income, the company anticipates a loss in the fourth quarter of 1990. However accelerated recruiting and sales efforts during the final quarter should favorably impact sales results now and into 1991."

LifeUSA's third quarter collected life and annuity premiums were $149,490,039 compared to $88,794,496 for the third quarter of 1989. Total life and annuity premiums for the first nine months of 1990 were $426,099,041, compared with $283,181,634 for all of 1989.

The number of agents representing LifeUSA is currently more than 17,000 agents nationwide.

The company's stock is not publicly traded. The company currently has more than $1.3 billion of life insurance in force.

CONTACT: Robert W. MacDonald of Life USA Holding, 612-591-5201

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#90319p7440 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The New York Times Company (AMEX: NYT.A) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 14 cents per share on its Class A and Class B common stock. The dividend is payable on Dec. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 6.

This is the 88th consecutive quarterly dividend paid on the company's common stock since its Class A shares were admitted to trading on the American Stock Exchange in 1969.

A regular quarterly dividend $1.375 per share on the 5-1/2 percent cumulative prior preference stock was also declared, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 6, 1990.

The New York Times Company is a $1.8 billion communications company with four lines of business -- newspapers, magazines, broadcasting/information services and forest products. In addition to The New York Times, the company publishes 35 regional newspapers; owns a one-third interest in the International Herald Tribune; publishes 17 magazines, including McCall's, Family Circle and Golf Digest; operates five television stations, two radio stations, a news service and other information services; and has interests in three newsprint mills and one supercalendered paper mill.

CONTACT: Nancy Nielsen of The New York Times Company, 212-556-7078

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#90319p7453 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALABASAS, CA. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Lockheed Corp. (NYSE: LK) released the following statement today:

"We have just learned of the verdict of the jury in the wrongful termination case involving Messrs Thomas Benecke, Terrence Schielke and Clyde Jones," said Joseph G. Twomey, Lockheed Corp. vice president and general counsel. "The amount of punitive damages awarded is grossly disproportionate to the actual damages found by the jury and is insupportable factually and legally. The company will vigorously pursue its options both before the trial court and the appellate courts to secure an overruling or major reduction of the damages. The company is confident that the verdict will not stand."

CONTACT: Bob Slayman, 818-712-2468, or Scott Hallman, 818-712-2477, both of Lockheed Corp.

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#90319p7454 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKEWOOD, COLO. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Plains Petroleum Co. (NYSE: PLP) announced today that its board of directors has declared its regular semiannual dividend of 8 cents per share. The dividend will be payable on Dec. 31 to shareholders of record on Dec. 14.

CONTACT: Darrel Reed of Plains Petroleum Co., 303-969-9325; or Jim Fingeroth or Tracey Stearns of Kekst and Co., 212-593-2655, for Plains Petroleum Co.

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#90319p7456 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHINO, CALIF. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - American Confectionery Corp. (NASDAQ: CNDY), headquartered here, today reported a loss of $1,087,839, or $.19 per share, on total net sales of $3,190,244 for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with a loss of $1,118,406, or $.22 per share, on total net sales of $3,644,193 in the like year-ago quarter.

According to ACC President Steve Kircher, liquidity problems "slowed the company's growth in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 and the first quarter of the current fiscal year. However, liquidity has improved significantly as a result of the recent completion of its sale and divestiture of all company-owned retail stores and franchise operations."

In addition to the previously announced sale of retail units to CNY Inc., ACC said it recently sold the remainder of its retail and franchise operations, including the Van Duyn Chocolate Shops.

Kircher added that since the divestiture, management has implemented a program to acquire national retail chain accounts and to improve manufacturing efficiencies. "We are confident that, as a result of this program, ACC revenue growth and performance will improve through the remainder of fiscal 1991 and beyond."

American Confectionery is a manufacturer and distributor of more than 250 varieties of gourmet treats, including nuts, candies and chocolates, and sugarfree candies and chocolates.

CONTACT: Steve Kircher, president of American Confectionery Corp., 916-635-3131; Jimmy Caplan of Market Makers, 805-569-6919, or Rick Eisenberg of Eisenberg Communications, 212-496-6828, both for American Confectionery

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#90319p7463 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Lexington Precision Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: LEXP) reported a net loss of $1,251,000, or 32 cents per common share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to a net loss of $605,000, or 16 cents per common share, for the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1989. Net sales for the quarter were $16,911,000 as compared to $16,935,000 in the previous year.

Results for the quarters ended Sept. 30, 1990 and Aug. 31, 1989, include write-ups of marketable securities totaling $98,000 and $483,000, respectively. In the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company's tax benefit arising from a utilization of loss carryforwards was reduced by $226,000. During the quarters ended Sept. 30, 1990, and Aug. 31, 1989, the company recorded direct charges to stockholders' equity totaling $51,000 and $517,000, respectively, to reduce the carrying value of common stock held for long-term investment purposes to the lower of cost or market value.

On Sept. 28, 1990, the company sold certain assets of its discontinued operation, the Adanlock Office Environments division, for cash proceeds of $640,000. The year-to-date operating losses of the discontinued operation and the loss sustained on the disposal of these assets exceeded the amount estimated by the company at Dec. 31, 1989, by $78,000, net of applicable

income taxes.

The company reported net earnings of $196,000, which equates to no earnings per common share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to a net loss of $1,455,000, or 39 cents per common share, for the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1989. Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $54,033,000 as compared to $50,291,000 in the previous year.

Results of operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and Aug. 31, 1989, include pretax net gains from the sales of marketable securities of $1,519,000 and $753,000, respectively; write-downs of marketable securities totaling $84,000 and $1,659,000, respectively; and extraordinary credits of $40,000 and $110,000 as a result of income tax benefits arising from the utilization of operating loss carryforwards, respectively. In addition, during the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company realized an extraordinary gain, net of applicable income taxes, of $1,294,000 from the repurchase, at a discount, of $5.8 million principal amount of its 12-3/4 percent subordinated notes. During the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and Aug. 31, 1989, the company recorded direct charges to stockholders' equity of $1,034,000 and $2,347,000, respectively, to reduce the carrying value of common stock held for long-term investment purposes to the lower of cost or market value.

Effective Dec. 31, 1989, the company changed its fiscal year-end from May 31 to Dec. 31. Accordingly, the company's statements of operations compare the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, with the three and nine months ended Aug. 31, 1989.

Lexington Precision Corporation manufactures metal and rubber components which are used by some of America's leading manufacturers of office equipment, computers, televisions, medical devices, industrial equipment, and automobiles. Principal manufacturing facilities are located in Casa Grande, Ariz.; Blue Ridge and Jasper, Ga.; Lakewood, Manchester, Rochester, and Silver Springs, N.Y.; Warren, Ohio; and Rock Hill, S.C.

CONTACT: Warren Delano Jr., president of Lexington Precision, 212-557-6683.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Coca-Cola Company (NYSE: KO) today announced it has reached agreements with the CBS and NBC television networks for advertising rights to the 1992 Winter and Summer Olympic Games, for a combined network buy of more than $60 million.

As the exclusive soft drink sponsor of the Olympic telecasts, the Company will receive an advertising package that includes sponsorship of special network programming designed to promote the respective Games, in addition to

commercial time during the actual Olympic broadcasts.

"Countdown to Albertville" will begin airing on CBS in December 1991 and feature winter sports events with world class athletes expected to compete in the XVI Winter Olympics in France. Beginning in September 1991, CBS will air a series of "Olympic Profile" vignettes focused on Olympic hopefuls.

Beginning one year prior to the 1992 Summer Games in Barcelona, NBC will begin regular broadcast of 60-second "Olympic Moment" vignettes, highlighting great moments in the careers of Olympic athletes.

"The Coca-Cola Company has long been a sponsor of the broadcasts of the most spectacular sports event in the world," said Ira C. Herbert, executive vice president, The Coca-Cola Company. "For these Games in 1992, we are particularly pleased to have expanded our involvement by sponsoring programming that should create viewer excitement and add to the impact of the Olympic Games broadcasts."

"We are delighted to welcome The Coca-Cola Company to the Winter Olympics on CBS and we will be working closely with them to maximize the value of their investment in this exciting event," said Peter Lund, Executive Vice President of the CBS/Broadcast Group and President, CBS Marketing.

"NBC is particularly pleased to have one of the foremost, longtime supporters of the Olympic Games as a key 1992 Barcelona Olympics sponsor, as we partner to showcase America's best athletes in this greatest of athletic contests," said Pierson Mapes, President, NBC Television Network.

As the official soft drink of the 1992 Winter and Summer Games, The Coca-Cola Company continues a tradition of support of the Olympic movement that dates back to 1928. Since that time, the Company has supported national and international Olympic organizing committees and has provided significant support to organizers at the Games themselves.

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ANN ARBOR, MI. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Charles Gelman, chairman and chief executive officer of Gelman Sciences Inc. (AMEX: GSC) has named James J. Fahrner as vice president and chief financial officer of the corporation, effective Nov. 19, 1990. Fahrner replaces Jon. G. Ehrmann, who resigned earlier this year for personal reasons.

Prior to joining Gelman Sciences, Fahrner had been employed by Ann Arbor-based J.P. Industries, Inc., most recently as vice president and treasurer. Fahrner

is a Certified Public Accountant and a graduate of Eastern Michigan University.

Gelman Sciences is a worldwide leader in the research, development, and manufacture of microfiltration products used in research and clinical laboratories, health care facilities, and industrial separation processes. Headquartered in Ann Arbor, the company has subsidiaries in Australia, Canada, England, France, Ireland, Israel, Japan and West Germany.

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#90319p7467 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Republic Waste Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: RWIN) today reported net income for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $900,000, or 8 cents per share, on revenues of $15,997,000. Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $29,717,000 resulting in net income of $2,076,000, or 29 cents per share.

Republic entered the solid waste business in February 1990 and had acquired nine businesses through Sept. 30, 1990. Republic also has definitive agreements to acquire three additional businesses upon completion of a pending common stock offering. On a pro forma basis, which assumes all 12 companies were included for the full nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues for the nine months were $65,463,000 with income from continuing operations of $5,408,000, or 47 cents per share.

Republic Waste Industries is an integrated solid waste company providing collection, disposal and other support services.

CONTACT: David M.K. Ruth of Republic Waste Industries Inc., 713-956-1110

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MADISON, NJ (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Schering Corporation, a subsidiary of Schering-Plough Corporation (NYSE: SGP), and Enzon, Inc. (NASDAQ: ENZN), announced today that they have signed an agreement to develop a longer-acting form of Schering-Plough's "Intron A" alpha interferon, using Enzon's proprietary protein-based drug delivery technology "Pegnology".

Under the agreement with Enzon, Schering-Plough will be responsible for conducting and funding the clinical studies and obtaining regulatory approval, and will have exclusive worldwide marketing rights to the product.

"Intron A" is a genetically engineered anticancer and antiviral agent, approved in 57 countries and marketed in 43 countries for 16 disease indications. In the United States, "Intron A" is approved for use in hairy

cell leukemia, AIDS-related Kaposi's sarcoma and condylomata acuminata (venereal warts). An advisory panel to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in July 1990 recommended approval of "Intron A" for the treatment of chronic non-A, non-B hepatitis.

The agreement provides that Enzon will receive sequential payments, totaling about $6 million, tied to achievement milestones in the product's development program. Enzon will retain exclusive worldwide rights to manufacture the bulk product and receive royalties on worldwide sales. Enzon is currently in the process of scale-up manufacturing of PEG-alpha interferon. Preclinical testing, prior to filing an Investigational New Drug Application with the FDA, is being conducted by Schering-Plough.

Enzon's drug delivery technology involves chemically attaching polyethylene glycol (PEG) to enzymes, proteins and certain other biopharmaceuticals, thereby improving certain therapeutic effects of these compounds. This process has been applied to a wide variety of polypeptides, including enzymes, interleukins, growth hormones, monoclonal antibodies and interferons.

Enzon, located in South Plainfield, N.J., is a leading biopharmaceutical company developing improved therapies for life-threatening diseases through the application of "Pegnology" to enhance the delivery of protein-based drugs.

Schering-Plough Corporation is a research-based company engaged primarily in the discovery, development, manufacturing and marketing of pharmaceutical and health care products worldwide.

CONTACT: Ronald J. Asinari of Schering-Plough, 201-822-7402, or Donna Chappina of Enzon, 201-668-1800

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#90319p7470 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Loewen Group Inc., (NASDAQ: LWNGF Toronto: LWN) the largest funeral service corporation in Canada and the second largest in North America, announced today that during the nine months which ended Sept. 30, 1990 revenue and earnings showed continued growth compared with the same period in 1989.

Revenue increased 68.4 percent to $86.61 million and earnings increased 82.9 percent to $8.67 million. Earnings per share rose 28.6 percent to $0.72 per share, while fully diluted earnings per share for the nine month period increased 39.2 percent to $0.71 per share after allowing for the exercise of outstanding employee stock options.

During the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, in comparison to the same period in 1989, revenue increased 73.1 percent to $32.41 million while earnings climbed 111.5 percent to $3.01 million. Earnings per share increased 46.7

percent to $0.22 per share. Fully diluted earnings per share for the third quarter rose 46.7 percent to $0.22 per share.

During the third quarter, the company expended a total of $43.76 million on the purchase of 30 funeral homes and eight cemeteries. Of those acquisitions, two are associated with the purchase of Paragon Family Services Inc. and all are located throughout the United States.

Since the end of the third quarter, the company has expended $96.57 million on the purchase of nine funeral homes, one cemetery and one crematorium throughout the United States and 51 funeral homes associated with the purchase of Paragon Family Services, Inc., which operates throughout the south-central United States.

The expected revenue and earnings contribution to The Loewen Group from the acquisition of Paragon Family Services Inc., relative to its acquisition cost, should not be materially different from previous acquisitions. Because of the significant size of this acquisition, it is expected to add materially to The Loewen Group's revenues and earnings.

The company has also committed $11.44 million to the purchase of five funeral homes in the United States, one funeral home in Canada, and three funeral homes associated with the purchase of Paragon Family Services Inc. These are expected to close by the end of January, 1991.

The Loewen Group Inc. is a public company, with shares trading on both the Toronto Stock Exchange and NASDAQ. The company employs about 2,000 people at 264 funeral homes, 21 cemeteries, 12 crematoria, three insurance companies, and three ambulance services.

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#90319p7473 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The boards of directors of Atico Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ATFC) and Intercontinental Bank, Atico Financial's 97 percent owned commercial banking subsidiary, today announced their approvals for the merger of Atico Financial into Intercontinental Bank.

Shareholders of Atico Financial will exchange their shares for shares of Intercontinental Bank. Application will be made to the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. for listing of Intercontinental Bank's stock on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation-National Market System (NASDAQ-NMS). The merger is subject to the approval of the shareholders of both companies as well as various regulatory agencies.

"This merger will increase the bank's capital by approximately $25 million and

will permit the continued ownership of certain of the company's assets which might not be appropriate under its current structure," said William H. Allen Jr., chairman of the board of both companies. "It is anticipated that this transaction will be effective by the end of the first quarter in 1991."

CONTACT: Thomas E. Beier, executive vice president of Atico Financial Corporation, 305-377-6902.

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#90319p7475 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHINGTON, CT (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Ralph G. Mann, president and chief executive officer of Southington Savings Bank (NASDAQ: SSBB), announced today that the board of directors has declared a 16 cents per share regular dividend for the fourth quarter of 1990, to be paid on Dec. 18, 1990. Holders of record of issued and outstanding shares of the bank's common stock as of Nov. 30, 1990 will receive the dividend.

Southington Savings Bank's assets totaled $261,958,000 on Sept. 30, 1990 and shareholders' equity totaled $30,927,000, representing a book value of 16.92 per share. Total loans outstanding as of Sept. 30, 1990 were $216,236,000 and deposits were $222,668,000. Total outstanding shares as of Sept. 30, 1990 were 1,827,992.

CONTACT: Elizabeth F. McKeon, senior vice president of Southington Savings Bank, 203-628-0351

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#90319p7476 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - AIM Capital Management Corp. announced today several proposals involving four American Insured Mortgage Investors (AIM) Limited partnerships it manages, including one to reduce their current asset management fees.

The disclosure was made in a letter being sent to unitholders of the partnerships, which also contains other proposals on which they will be asked to vote at a special meeting. No data for the special meeting has been set.

Included in a proposed amendment to the partnership agreements aimed at protecting the AIM partnerships from "reorganization transactions," including roll-ups. This amendment will prohibit such transactions unless approved by a super-majority of 80 percent of the unitholders.

Other amendments would limit for five years, except for cause, the removal of the managing general partner and the termination of the advisory agreement with the advisor to the AIM Partnerships. However, the limitation for Integrated Resources, Inc., the parent of AIM Capital, the current managing

general partner of the AIM Partnerships, would be for only 12 months in order to allow Integrated to seek a qualified purchaser.

Under its proposal, AIM Capital would cut the current annual asset management fee for each partnership to 0.95 percent. Fees currently in effect are 1.75 percent of invested assets for American Insured Mortgage Investors; 1.50 percent for AIM 85; 1.25 percent for AIM 86; and 1.25 percent for AIM 88.

"The fee reduction will help increase the return of unitholders on their partnership interest," said Stephen D. Weinroth, chairman.

The proposals are designed to allow AIM unitholders to retain the benefit and value of their current partnership investments in the face of a hostile exchange offer by affiliates of CRI, Inc., to roll-up the partnerships, and to help facilitate the orderly sale to a qualified purchaser of the managing general partner and the advisor of the AIM Partnerships.

In the letter, Weinroth also reconfirmed that Integrated continues to seek a qualified buyer for the managing general partner and advisor of the AIM Partnerships. He stated that Integrated, currently in Chapter 11, was engaged in discussions concerning the sale of those units.

CONTACT: Steven S. Anreder, 212-353-6409 or 212-439-0730, or Joan Rappoport, 212-353-6408, for AIM Capital

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CAMBRIDGE, MA. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Biogen, Inc. (NASDAQ: BGEN) announced today that it has granted Organon Teknika BV of The Netherlands a non-exclusive, royalty-bearing license under Biogen's recombinant hepatitis B patents. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

The license covers the manufacture, use and sale of diagnostic kits utilizing recombinant hepatitis B core antigen, a technology based on pioneering work done by Biogen scientists in the 1970's. Today, recombinant antigen-based kits play an important role in public health by screening blood and plasma for hepatitis B, a serious infectious disease of the liver.

Organon Teknika is one of the top three manufacturers of recombinant hepatitis B diagnostic tests worldwide and specializes in the research, development, manufacturing and marketing of high technology products and systems for hospitals, blood banks and clinical laboratories. The firm is a subsidiary of the international pharma division of Akzo.

"The agreement with Organon once again demonstrates the strength of Biogen's hepatitis B patents and licensing program," commented Jim Vincent, Biogen chairman and chief executive officer. "With more than a dozen licensees for

our vaccines and diagnostics worldwide, we expect to see our hepatitis licensing agreements generate well over $20 million in revenue in 1990."

Biogen is a leading biotechnology company principally engaged in developing genetically engineered pharmaceuticals. As a result of its early research, Biogen now derives revenues from five products being sold by its licensees in various countries. Biogen currently directs its research in areas where the company has particular strength -- AIDS, cardiovascular, inflammation and selected cancers.

CONTACT: John Catterall of Biogen, Inc., 617-864-8900

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ATLANTA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Academy Insurance Group Inc. (NASDAQ: ACIG) today reported results for the first nine months of 1990.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $3,398,000 compared to $2,592,000 for the same 1989 period. Net income per share was $.05 for the first nine months of 1990 compared to $.04 for the same period a year ago.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, net income (loss) was ($142,000) ($.00 per share) compared to $721,000 ($.01 per share) for the same period in 1989.

The third quarter results were adversely affected by a charge to operations of $1.7 million ($.02 per share) resulting from a write-down of the carrying value of the company's investment in real estate in Valley Forge, Pa.

The third quarter results also included a charge to operations of about $350,000 representing the start-up expenses associated with a joint venture formed to market and service personal lines property and casualty products to the company's military market. The joint venture is now operational in eight states and expects to be in 20 states by year-end.

Without these charges, net income would have been about $1.9 million, a slight increase over the second quarter.

Sales of new annualized premium for the first nine months of 1990 are off about 10 percent from the same period a year ago.

Academy Insurance Group Inc. is an insurance and financial services company that provides life, health and property/casualty products to specialty or "niche" markets. The company's primary market is noncommissioned and petty officers and their families. Academy's products are endorsed by the Non Commissioned Officers Association (NCOA).

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#90319p7486 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEXINGTON, MA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Raytheon Company (NYSE: RTN) announced today that its United Engineers & Constructors subsidiary has won a major clean air retrofit assignment from Monongahela Power Company, The Potomac Edison Company and West Penn Power Company, the operating electric utilities that make up the Allegheny Power System, for the possible installation of flue gas desulfurization systems on three 640-MW coal-fired units at the Harrison Generating Station in Shinnston, W.Va.

Industry analysts have estimated that more than 100 existing U.S. power plants will have to be retrofitted to meet the 1990 Clean Air Act signed today by President Bush.

United Engineers & Constructors (UE&C), of Philadelphia, is providing feasibility studies, engineering and design services and -- if scrubbers are the compliance method of choice -- UE&C will provide procurement support, construction management and start-up services for the Harrison project. Flue gas desulfurization system installation at all three Harrison units would result in the total estimated cost of the project approaching $1 billion.

"Having this award, as well as one from the Tennessee Valley Authority for the largest clean air power plant retrofit in U.S. history, calls attention to our success with this technology and indicates that clean air initiatives will force strong growth in power plant retrofits over the next decade," said UE&C President and CEO Charles Q. Miller.

UE&C has carried out many of the major U.S. acid rain compliance studies and has provided engineering and construction services for about 20 percent of the operating U.S. flue gas desulfurization systems, which are on a total of 34 electric generating units.

United Engineers & Constructors International provides engineering, construction and maintenance services through its subsidiaries to a wide range of industries across the U.S. and abroad. Units of the company employ about 6,000 professional and support people worldwide.

Raytheon Company, headquartered in Lexington, Mass., is active in electronics, aviation, appliances, industry and environmental services, publishing and construction. It had 1989 sales of $8.8 billion and employs 77,000 worldwide.

CONTACT: Ed Bassett of Raytheon Co., 617-860-2431

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#90319p7492 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, TEXAS (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Technology Development Corp. (NASDAQ: TDCX) announced plans to form "ComputerLand Texas" with the signing of a non-binding Letter of Intention to acquire Techtron Corp., dba, ComputerLand Houston, and its wholly owned subsidiary, BradyTech Corp., dba, ComputerLand San Antonio. TDC acquired Kaizen Corporation, dba, ComputerLand Metroplex, in July, 1990, and if the acquisition of Techtron is successfully completed, TDC will be the exclusive ComputerLand franchisee in Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston and San Antonio.

ComputerLand Corp., headquartered in Pleasanton, California, with its network of over 450 independently franchised business throughout the United States, is the world's largest reseller of microcomputer systems, equipment, and services. TDC's objective in consolidating the major ComputerLand companies in Texas is to offer its clients improved network and systems technology, a more comprehensive distribution capability, and economies of scale.

Techtron Corp., a privately held Texas corporation, including its subsidiary BradyTech, recorded sales of approximately $22 million in 1989 with after-tax profits of $342,000; including ComputerLand Corp. assisted sales, total orders fulfilled in 1989 were about $36 million. The company, which employs approximately 90 professionals in three offices in Houston and San Antonio, sells microcomputer systems and services to major corporations throughout Texas. The business began as a ComputerLand franchise in Houston in 1981, with its present management acquiring ownership in 1984, including the San Antonio franchise in 1988.

The acquisition as presently structured in the Letter of Intention is valued at approximately $4 million, and will include cash, TDC Common stock, and a newly issued Preferred stock, with a closing date of Dec. 21, 1990. The Agreement is contingent upon TDC's obtaining the financing necessary to close the transaction, and upon the approval of the board of directors of all of the companies involved.

Technology Development Corp., located in Arlington, is the Nation's largest independent developer of test software and related products and services for use by commercial, aerospace, and federal government organizations. Through its subsidiary, ComputerLand Metroplex, the company sells microcomputer systems and services to industries and businesses in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex.

CONTACT: T.M. Cracraft of Technology Development Corp., 817-649-4423

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#90319p7497 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Teletrak Advanced Technology Systems, Inc. (OTC) today reported results for the nine months and third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter were $331,771 compared with $347,646 for the third quarter of 1989. The company reported a loss for the quarter of $144,603 compared with a loss of $199,817 for the third quarter of 1989.

Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 totaled $1,455,660 compared with nine months net sales for 1989 of $1,171,685, Net loss for the nine month period was $226,975 or 1 cent per share compared with a net loss of $447,458 or 2 cents per share in 1989.

There were 19,727,000 average shares outstanding for the nine month period as compared with 19,663,000 shares in the similar period of 1989.

Teletrak Advanced Technology Systems, Inc. has developed and is marketing an optical data storage and retrieval system for use in the legal, financial services, banking and accounting fields.

TELETRAK ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS, INC.

Periods ended:	Nine months		Three months	
Sept. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,455,660	$1,171,685	$331,771	$347,646
Net loss	(226,975)	(447,458)	(144,603)	(199,817)
Net loss per share	($.01)	($.02)	($.01)	($.02)
Avg. shares outstdg.	19,727,000	19,663,000	19,744,000	19,664,000

CONTACT: Joseph Farley or David S. Lawi of Teletrak Advanced Systems, 203-629-1400

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#90319p7503 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Winston Resources, Inc. (AMEX: WRS) today reported revenues and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter were $4,952,000 as compared to $5,470,000 for the third quarter of 1989. The current quarter reflects a continued decrease in permanent placements prevalent in the sluggish Northeast market partially offset by temporary help revenues of approximately the same as the third quarter of 1989.

Net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $674,849 or $.23 per common share as compared to a net loss of $9,480 or $.003 per common share for the comparable quarter in 1989.

"The loss for the current three month period was primarily due to several factors including the substantial decrease in permanent placement revenues, the write-off of costs related to the reorganization of certain operations

which is expected to improve operating results in future periods, and costs related to new and expanded operations including Fisher Todd, Winston Advertising and Winston New Jersey," according to Sy Kaye, Winston's president and chief executive officer.

Kaye further advised that "proceeds received to date of approximately $328,000 from the sale on June 21, 1990 of certain assets relating to the company's physician search business is expected to be recognized in and benefit future periods."

The company continued to maintain a liquid cash position at Sept. 30, 1990 with approximately 13 percent of its assets in cash and cash equivalents. The company's current ratio, which stood at 3.4 to 1 at June 30, 1990 was 2.6 to 1 at Sept. 30, 1990.

Winston Resources, Inc. founded in 1967, provides a wide range of personnel recruiting, placement and temporary help services through company-owned offices and franchises to business, institutions and government agencies.

CONTACT: Reuben Abrams, treasurer of Winston Resources, 212-557-5000

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#90319p7505 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

RENO, NEV. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwest Airlines inaugurated service today from Reno Cannon International Airport with six roundtrips daily to both Oakland, Calif., and Las Vegas, launching a new schedule of convenient flights for travelers.

Southwest will offer six daily nonstop roundtrip flights to both Las Vegas and Oakland on the newest pure jet fleet in the industry. Southwest will also offer one-stop service to Albuquerque, Burbank, El Paso, Ontario, Calif., Phoenix, San Antonio and San Diego.

Flights from Reno to Las Vegas will leave at 7:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m., noon, 3:15 p.m., 4:45 p.m. and 8:10 p.m. weekdays.

Flights from Reno to Oakland will leave at 8:25 a.m., 10 a.m., 1:10 p.m., 2:40 p.m., 5:55 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. weekdays.

Southwest Airlines offers the lowest fares in the Reno market. Regular unrestricted coach fares are $49 to Oakland and $59 to Las Vegas; these are the highest fares. Southwest also offers advance- purchase "Fun Fares" on a restricted basis starting as low as $29 for a 21-day advance purchase fare to Oakland and $39 to Las Vegas. A "$20 Take Along Fare," good for travel through Dec. 19, 1990, allows a regular fare customer to take along a companion for $20 to any Southwest Airlines destination when both tickets are purchased with an American Express Card. Some restrictions apply.

For reservations or information in the Reno/Tahoe area, call 702-853-1717.

CONTACT: Melanie Jones of Southwest Airlines, 214-904-4413

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#90319p7506 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Helm Resources, Inc. (AMEX: H), today announced that one of its wholly owned subsidiaries has acquired a majority of the outstanding stock of Scat Hovercraft, Inc. (OTC), which emerged yesterday from proceedings under Chapter 11 of the bankruptcy laws. Helm's acquisition was pursuant to a Plan of Reorganization for Scat which was approved in September, 1990.

In connection with the acquisition, a new board of directors was appointed for Scat consisting of three officers of Helm Resources, Herbert Pearlman, David Lawi and Walter Craig; the top two executive officers of Seitel, Inc., an AMEX listed company, Paul Frame, president of Seitel and Horace Calvert, executive vice president of Seitel; and Stanley Halper, former national director of auditing and electronic data processing at Coopers and Lybrand.

As part of its initial actions, the board of directors removed all former officers and, among other appointments of officers, elected Harvey Seslowsky president and a director. Seslowsky was formerly president and principal owner of National Video Clearing House, Inc., publishers of data base communications information and magazines. This company also had the marketing contract to market and promote the music, television and video festivals at Cannes to clients in the United States, Latin America and Canada. Seslowsky sold this company to International Thompson in 1988.

SCAT Hovercraft is engaged in the design, development, marketing and sale of hovercraft vehicles. Hovercrafts are able to be used across all terrains as they are propelled on a cushion of air. They reportedly sell more "personal" hovercrafts for recreational use than any company in the world. SCAT Hovercraft is located in Miami.

Helm Resources, Inc., is a diversified company with various business interests including the worldwide marketing and distribution of thermoplastic resins; the acquisition and marketing of seismic data to oil and gas companies; the development and marketing of optical disk software; the manufacture and marketing of industrial quality control products and agricultural products. Its affiliate, Cliff-Engle, Ltd., is engaged in the design, manufacture and distribution of sweaters that are officially licensed by the major sports leagues and the National Collegiate Athletic Association, while its subsidiary National Sports Marketing, Inc., is the exclusive U.S. distributor and licensee of Rossignol racquets and racquet sports apparel.

CONTACT: David S. Lawi of Helm Resources, 203-629-1400.

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#90319p7507 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Grace Energy Corporation (NYSE: GEG) today announced that its subsidiary, Grace Drilling Company, has named L. Michael (Mike) Cure vice president, drilling technology. Cure will be responsible for evaluating and adopting new technologies for Grace Drilling's operations. Included in his responsibilities will be assisting in the Grace Drilling/FlowDril project to commercialize a new drilling system.

Before joining Grace Drilling, Cure, 45, was employed as regional production superintendent in Oklahoma City for Cabot Petroleum Corp. Prior to that, he spent 11 years with Bass Enterprises Production Corp. in Midland, Texas, as division drilling and production superintendent. He was also employed by Exxon in the U.S. and the Far East in its drilling operations.

Cure is a registered professional engineer, having earned his B.S. degree in mechanical engineering from Texas A&M in 1966 and his M.S. in the same discipline from Oklahoma State University in 1968. He and his wife Betty will be relocating to the Dallas area with their three children.

Grace Drilling Company, headquartered in Dallas, is the largest onshore drilling contractor in the nation, with 191 rigs.

Grace Energy Corporation, also headquartered in Dallas, is a diversified energy company whose subsidiaries are engaged in supplying services and equipment to the petroleum industry; in the exploration for and development and production of oil and natural gas; and in coal mining.

CONTACT: Jim Swords of Grace, 212-819-6000.

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#90319p7508 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNT LAUREL, NJ (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Marlton Technologies, Inc. (AMEX: MTY) today reported net income of $1,141,676, or $.34 per share, for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $270,908, or $.08 per share for the same period of 1989. For the nine months, net income was $1,095,481, or $.33 per share in 1990, as compared with a net loss of $866,509, or $.26 per share in 1989.

The company pointed out that for the periods ended Sept. 30, 1990, non-operating income increased by approximately $1,636,000, primarily due to the sale of its Audio Information Sciences, Inc. (AIS) common stock, and a gain on the redemption of its AIS Class B preferred stock. It also pointed out that 1990 financial results included the performance of Sparks Exhibits Corp.,

its 100 percent owned subsidiary, for the two month period (August and September) after its acquisition. For those two months Sparks had sales of $1,206,617, and net income of $130,744.

The company also stated that it intends to pursue the acquisition of companies in lines of business similar to or complementary to Sparks trade show and exhibit business, and to continue to explore other business opportunities. The company reported that its strong cash position and the availability of its large federal tax loss carryforward should facilitate the implementation of a carefully planned acquisition program.

MARLTON TECHNOLOGIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Nine Months		Three Months	
Sept. 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,574,072	$10,201	$1,346,333	$6,683
Operating profit (loss)	(871,797)	(1,301,823)	(458,769)	(435,973)
Other income	1,991,074	435,314	1,624,241	165,065
Pre-tax income (loss)	1,119,277	(866,509)	1,165,472	(270,908)
Net income (loss)	1,095,481	(866,509)	1,141,676	(270,908)
Income (loss) per share	$0.33	$(0.26)	$0.34	$(0.08)
Weighted avg. no. of common shares outstanding	3,338,263	3,338,263	3,338,263	3,338,263

CONTACT: Seymour Hernes, executive vice president of Marlton Technologies, 609-727-1199.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - CCAIR, Inc., doing business as USAir Express (NASDAQ: CCAR), today announced a net loss for its first fiscal quarter ended September 30, 1990 of approximately $1,286,000 or $(.22) per share. For the comparable period in 1989, the Company reported a net loss of approximately $1,799,000 or $(.32) per share. Total operating revenues increased approximately $1,199,000 or 8.1 percent in the three month period ended September 30, 1990 over the three month period ended September 30, 1989 and total operating expenses increased approximately $41,500 or .2 percent in the three months ended September 30, 1990 as compared to the three month period ended September 30, 1989.

The Company's increased revenues are primarily attributable to its increased share of joint fare revenue received as a result of the settlement with USAir

regarding the division of joint fare revenues under the Service Agreement. The Company's bankruptcy proceeding necessitated a decrease in scheduled flights during the first quarter. As a result of the schedule reduction, the Company's aircraft were underutilized, but still generated fixed expenses, which contributed to the Company's first quarter loss. The Company's first quarter results were also impacted by substantial increases in fuel costs and the lack of growth in the airline industry as a whole.

Kenneth W. Gann, newly appointed President and CEO, expects significant improvements in the operation of the airline with the November 1, 1990 implementation of a reduced flight schedule, which, he believes, matches the current market potential. The new schedule is operating at a 46.1 percent load factor with a 99.5 percent completion and 92.1 percent on-time record for the first 14 days of November.

The Company is in the process of developing a plan of reorganization and the Bankruptcy Court has granted an extension to file the reorganization plan by December 11, 1990.

	First Quarter	
	1990	1989
Operating Revenues	$15,935,582	$14,736,682
Operating Expenses	17,055,454	17,013,901
Operating Loss	(1,119,872)	(2,277,219)
Net Loss	(1,286,442)	(2,443,231)
Loss Per Share	$ (.22)	$ (.32)

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NORTHBROOK, IL (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Woodhead Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: WDHD) today reported net income for the fiscal year ended Sept. 29, 1990 of $5,020,000, a 17 percent increase from $4,300,000 in the previous year. Excluding an after-tax charge of $297,000 for the settlement of a lawsuit, net income was 23.7 percent higher than in fiscal 1989.

Earnings per share rose 15 percent to a record-high $1.56 from $1.36 in the previous year. Sales for the 1990 fiscal year reached a record $72,168,000, up from $71,443,000 in the 1989 fiscal year.

Alan Reed, chairman and chief executive officer, said the increased earnings were primarily due to improved margins and the company's continued focus on higher-profit, value-added products.

Reed noted that the 1990 sales gains were achieved despite the fact that in recent years, Woodhead divested or discontinued the sale of less profitable or

commodity-type products that formerly contributed more than $12 million in annual sales.

"These sales have been replaced by sales of more profitable products with considerable future growth potential," Reed said.

For the fiscal fourth quarter, Woodhead had net income of $1,319,000 for a record $.42 per share compared with $1,125,000 or $.35 per share in the year-ago period. Sales for the 1990 fiscal fourth quarter were $17,130,000 compared with $17,030,000 in the 1989 fiscal fourth quarter. Net income as a percentage of sales increased to 7 percent, up from 6 percent last year.

For the fifth consecutive year, Woodhead is reporting increases in return on assets: 12.6 percent compared with 10.3 percent in 1989, and return on equity: 18.4 percent compared with 17.7 percent in 1989. The company's total debt has been reduced from $15.9 million in fiscal 1988 to $153,000 at the end of fiscal 1990.

Reed noted that with the aggressive marketing of new products in domestic and global markets Woodhead is looking forward to another year of growth and profitability.

On another matter, the company also announced today the consummation of the acquisition of Advanced Interconnect Inc., a privately held manufacturer of premium-quality custom cable assemblies located in Uxbridge, Mass. With annualized sales of approximately $5 million, Advanced Interconnect's focus on narrow segments of growth in the high- tech electronics markets has earned it a reputation for quality, service and innovation that adds a significant new dimension to Woodhead Industries' potential for the coming year.

Woodhead Industries Inc., headquartered in Northbrook, Ill., develops, manufactures and markets premium quality, Safety Yellow(R) specialty electrical devices and mechanical motion control products for industrial applications.

WOODHEAD INDUSTRIES INC.
INCOME STATEMENT
(Amounts in thousands except per-share data)

	Thirteen Weeks		Pct.	Fifty-Two Weeks		Pct.
Periods ended	9-29-90	9-30-89	Change	9-29-90	9-30-89	Change
Net sales	$17,130	$17,030	0.6	$72,168	$71,443	1.0
Cost of sales	9,857	9,836	0.2	41,034	42,070	(2.5)
Gross profit	$ 7,273	$ 7,194	1.1	$31,134	$29,373	6.0
Pct of net sales	42.5 Pct	42.2 Pct		43.1 Pct	41.1 Pct	
Operating expenses	5,320	5,194	2.4	22,491	21,654	3.9
Pct of net sales	31.1 Pct	30.5 Pct		31.2 Pct	30.3 Pct	
Income from						

operations	$ 1,953	$ 2,000	(2.4)	$ 8,643	$ 7,719	12.0
Pct of net sales	11.4 Pct	11.7 Pct		12.0 Pct	10.8 Pct	
Other expenses, net	(231)	70	(430.0)	217	541	(59.9)
Income before income taxes	$ 2,184	$ 1,930	13.2	$ 8,426	$ 7,178	17.4
Pct of net sales	12.7 Pct	11.3 Pct		11.7 Pct	10.0 Pct	
Provision for income taxes	865	805	7.5	3,406	2,878	18.3
Net income	$ 1,319	$ 1,125	17.2	$ 5,020	$ 4,300	16.7
Pct of net sales	7.7 Pct	6.6 Pct		7.0 Pct	6.0 Pct	
Net income per avg. common share	$ 0.42	$ 0.35	20.0	$ 1.56	$ 1.36	14.7
Weighted average no. of common shares outstanding	3,190	3,215	(0.8)	3,224	3,164	1.9
Dividends per share	$ 0.17	$ 0.15	13.3	$ 0.62	$ 0.60	3.3

WOODHEAD INDUSTRIES INC.

BALANCE SHEET (Amounts in thousands)

ASSETS	9-29-90	9-30-89
Current Assets		
Cash and short-term securities	$ 3,911	$ 2,499
Accounts receivable	9,255	8,893
Inventories	10,307	9,715
Prepaid expenses	2,638	2,533
Total current assets	$26,111	$23,640
Other assets	$ 733	$ 670
Property, plant & equipment, at cost	37,331	34,707
Less - accumulated depreciation	(22,959)	(20,483)
Net property, plant & equipment	$14,372	$14,224
Total assets	$41,216	$38,534
Liabilities & Stockholders' Investment		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	$ 4,357	$ 3,938
Accrued expenses	5,053	4,666
Income taxes	1,006	1,554
Portion of long-term debt payable within one year	153	237
Total current liabilities	10,569	10,395
Deferred income taxes	$ 2,069	$ 1,982
Long-term debt, less portion payable within one year	$ --	$ 153
Stockholders' Investment:		
Preferred stock	$ --	$ --
Common stock	3,735	3,735
Additional paid-in capital	5,579	5,818
Cumulative translation adjustment	440	(14)

Retained earnings	27,655	24,636
Less: treasury stock at cost	(8,831)	(8,171)
Total stockholders investment	$28,578	$26,004
Total liabilities and stockholders investment	$41,216	$38,534

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Biogen, Inc. (NASDAQ: BGEN) announced today that its board of directors has declared its regular quarterly dividend of $0.53125 per share on the $2.125 convertible exchangeable preferred stock (BGENP) that was issued in June 1989. The dividend is payable on Dec. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Nov. 15, 1990.

Biogen is a leading biotechnology company principally engaged in developing genetically engineered pharmaceuticals. As a results of its early research, Biogen derives revenues from five products being sold by its licensees in various countries. Biogen currently directs its research into areas where the company has particular strength -- AIDS, inflammation, cardiovascular and selected cancers.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - PLM Equipment Growth Fund (AMEX: GFX), a California limited partnership that owns and leases a diversified portfolio of transportation equipment, today announced earnings for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Total revenue for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $9.1 million, compared to $8.6 million for the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the third quarter was $1.8 million, compared to $1.1 million in 1989. Cash flow from operations was $4.6 million for the quarter compared to $5 million for the like quarter in 1989. Cash distribution payable per depositary unit for the third quarter was 58 cents and cash flow per depositary unit was 76 cents, compared to 55 cents and 83 cents a year ago.

Total revenue for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $26.9 million, compared to $22.5 million for the like period in 1989. Net income for the nine months was $3.8 million, compared to $2.5 million in 1989. Cash flow from operations was $14.6 million for the nine-month period, compared to $12.4 million in 1989. Cash distribution payable per depositary unit for the nine

months was $1.70 and cash flow per depositary unit was $2.42, compared to $1.63 and $2.05 a year ago.

The following table sets forth a summary of certain operating statistics for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990:

PLM Equipment Growth Fund is a $120 million income-oriented limited partnership formed in May, 1986, to acquire, manage and lease a diversified portfolio of used transportation equipment. The Fund began trading on the American Stock Exchange June 1, 1989. PLM Financial Services Inc., a subsidiary of PLM International, is the General Partner for PLM Equipment Growth Fund.

San Francisco-based PLM International is an equipment leasing company engaged in the leasing and management of transportation equipment and in operating leases domestically and internationally, as well as the syndication of capital equipment leasing investments. The company operates and manages over $1.3 billion of transportation equipment and related assets for its account and various investment partnerships and third party accounts.

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#90319p7516 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CYPRESS, CALIF. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America today announced it will enter the American luxury car market with the upcoming introduction of the Diamante, an all-new international luxury sedan. Filling an increasingly competitive category within the automotive market, the Diamante will enter U.S. dealer showrooms in the spring of 1991 as an early 1992 model.

Named after the Spanish word for diamond, the Diamante will be an American version of the Mitsubishi Motors top-line luxury model Diamante currently available in Japan.

The Diamante will be offered available in two models, both with V-6 powerplants. The standard model will be equipped with a single- overhead cam V-6 and the higher-performance Diamante LS will be equipped with a dual-overhead cam V-6.

Maintaining Mitsubishi Motors' tradition of providing combining high-technology and value, the luxurious Diamante will offer a combination of available safety and performance features including Mitsubishi Motors' exclusive Traction Control System (TCS), 4-wheel anti-lock brakes (ABS), Electronically-Controlled Suspension (ECS II), and a driver's side supplemental restraint air bag.

"The Diamante will become Mitsubishi's flagship vehicle, creating a desirable and affordable choice among luxury sedans for the upscale buyer," said Richard D. Recchia, executive vice president and chief operating officer. "New and exciting products like the Diamante will continue to position Mitsubishi Motors as an emerging leader in the increasingly competitive automotive marketplace."

Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc., Cypress, Calif., was established in 1982 by Mitsubishi Motors Corp., Tokyo, and markets a full line of subcompacts compacts, sport coupes, light trucks and sport utility vehicles.

CONTACT: Steve Ford of Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc., 800-233-MMSA, or (in California) 800-828-MMSA

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#90319p7518 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - GTE Corp. (NYSE: GTE) and Contel Corp. (NYSE: CTC) announced today that they have selected Atlanta as the headquarters location for the companies' combined mobile-cellular business, following completion of the proposed merger.

Also, GTE will establish a support staff in Atlanta for the GTE Telecommunications Products and Services (TP&S) organization, which was formed earlier this year with Terry S. Parker as president.

Representatives from both companies examined the current GTE and Contel Cellular (NASDAQ: CCXLA) headquarters cities of Houston and Atlanta, respectively, for about six weeks. The study team concluded that Atlanta offered more advantages, in terms of office space and lease commitments, based on projected growth and needs.

GTE will continue to maintain a presence in Houston through its GTE Mobilnet Texas region operation.

As previously announced, the combined cellular operations of GTE and Contel will become part of TP&S. TP&S consists of GTE Government Systems, GTE Information Services, GTE Mobile Communications and GTE Spacenet. GTE Airfone, also part of the group, will report to Parker.

"It is too early to say how many and which GTE or Contel employees will be part of the cellular-headquarters staff in Atlanta," Parker said. "Much work remains in finalizing our staffing and other transition recommendations, and then implementing them once the merger is complete, which could be as late as the second quarter of 1991. We do not expect any employee relocations before then."

Cellular Business to Serve 51 Million POPs

Upon completion of the proposed merger, which requires stockholder approval and regulatory review, the combined cellular business would rank as the second largest U.S. cellular-telephone operation, serving about 51 million "POPs" (the population of a market area multiplied by a company's percentage ownership in the cellular system serving that market).

GTE Mobile Communications provides mobile-cellular telecommunications services and products in 46 metropolitan-service areas and nine rural-service areas in 13 states. It has approximately 700 employees in Houston; 350 of them are in the mobile-cellular headquarters operation and 200 work in GTE Mobilnet's Texas region.

Contel Cellular, which provides mobile and portable-telephone services in 36 metropolitan markets in the U.S., has approximately 350 employees in its Atlanta headquarters.

GTE subsidiaries operate in 46 states and 41 countries, with combined revenues and sales of $17.4 billion and net income of $1.4 billion.

Contel, a company with $3 billion in annual revenues and sales, provides a broad range of telecommunications products and services.

CONTACT: Brian Farley of Contel, 404-391-8217, or after 5 p.m.: 404-872-3321, or Jeff Keller, 713-586-1439, or after 5 p.m.: 713-288-9058, or in Washington: Julia Spicer, 202-463-5206, or after 5 p.m. 202-797-0715, both of GTE

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TOKYO, JAPAN (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Honda Motor Co. Ltd. (NYSE: HMC) today announced its unaudited consolidated financial results for the fiscal second quarter and half-year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Honda's consolidated net income for the fiscal second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 totaled Y21.9 billion ($159 million), increasing by 25.6 percent over the corresponding three-month period last year. Net income per Common Share for the quarter under review amounted to Y22.22 (16 cents) compared to Y17.76 for the same period a year ago. Net income per American Share, each representing two Common Shares, was Y44.44 (32 cents) compared to Y35.52 for the corresponding three months last year.

Second quarter earnings rose because of increased automobile revenue and a reduction in non-operating expenses due to elimination of foreign exchange losses.

Consolidated net sales for the quarter amounted to Y1,019.3 billion ($7,387 million), a 14.5 percent rise over a year ago thanks mainly to increased

automobile revenue and the weaker yen.

However, consolidated operating income fell due to higher depreciation costs and increased selling, general and administrative expenses resulting from intensified competition in major automobile markets, totaling Y47.2 billion ($343 million), a 14.0 percent decline from last year's second quarter.

Reviewing the second quarter by product sector, motorcycle revenue totaled Y96.8 billion ($702 million), increasing by 29.2 percent mainly due to favorable overseas sales. Automobile revenue advanced by 11.2 percent, to 725.4 billion (5,257 million), owing to favorable sales in Japan and North America, improved model mix and the weaker yen.

Power product revenue rose by 2.9 percent, amounting to Y23.5 billion ($171 million), thanks to increased revenue from European and North American sales. Parts and other revenues totaled Y173.5 billion ($1,257 million), up 24.0 percent due to increased sales of parts worldwide.

For the first half-year ended Sept. 30, 1990, consolidated net income totaled Y45.4 billion (330 million), a 39.3 percent increase over the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Higher revenue from automobile sales and lower non-operating expenses as a result of eliminated foreign exchange losses were the major factors for the rise in earnings.

Net income per Common Share amounted to Y46.11 (33 cents) compared to Y33.32 for the corresponding six months a year ago. Net income per American Share, each representing two shares of Honda Common Stock, totaled Y92.22 (67 cents) compared to Y66.64 for the same period ended September last year.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - RADA Electronic Industries Limited (NASDAQ-NMS: RADFD) announced today the following results for the three and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990:

RADA ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES LIMITED
Summary Income Statement Data
(in thousands, except per share data)

Period ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues				
Industrial sector	4,122	3,911	10,923	9,862
Commercial sector	2,035	1,939	6,779	6,432
Total	6,157	5,850	17,702	16,300
Operating income	962	674	2,555	2,203

Net income	482	370	1,190	1,050
Earnings per share	0.15	0.12	0.37	0.33

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MIAMI (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Scat Hovercraft, Inc. announced that it emerged Nov. 14 from proceedings under Chapter 11 of the bankruptcy laws pursuant to a plan of reorganization, which was approved in September 1990. Pursuant to the plan, a wholly owned subsidiary of Helm Resources, Inc. (AMEX: H) acquired a majority of the outstanding stock of Scat.

In connection with the acquisition, a new board of directors was appointed for Scat consisting of three officers of Helm Resources, Herbert Pearlman, David Lawi and Walter Craig; the top two executive officers or Seitel, Inc., (AMEX: SEI), Paul Frame, president of Seitel, and Horace Calvert, executive vice-president of Seitel; and Stanley Halper, former national director of auditing and electronic data processing at Coopers and Lybrand.

As part of its initial actions, the board of directors removed all former officers and, among other appointments of officers, elected Harvey Seslowsky president and a director. Seslowsky was formerly president and principal owner of National Video Clearing House, Inc., publishers of data base communications information and magazines. This company also had the marketing contract to market and promote the music, television and video festivals at Cannes to clients in the United States, Latin America and Canada. Seslowsky sold this company to International Thompson in 1988.

SCAT Hovercraft designs, manufactures and distributes personal size hovercrafts for the recreational and commercial marketplace.

CONTACT: Harvey Seslowsky, president, or Jordan R. Finn, chief financial officer, 305-691-5100, of Scat Hovercraft

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MIAMI (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Royce Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ: RLAB), a manufacturer of prescription and over the counter generic pharmaceuticals, today announced unaudited results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

ROYCE LABORATORIES, INC.

Three Months Ended	Nine Months Ended
Sept. 30,	Sept. 30,

	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$414,115	$254,975	$1,174,238	$873,263
Cost of products sold	176,623	111,653	540,821	422,113
Gross profit	237,492	143,322	633,417	451,150
Research and development	--	--	2,500	567,441
Selling, general and administrative expenses	274,409	379,844	838,082	1,350,492
Operating loss	(36,917)	(236,522)	(207,165)	(1,466,783)
Other income (expense):				
Interest income (expense), net	(25,985)	(25,109)	(67,788)	(53,863)
Debt issuance costs	(17,500)	--	(17,500)	--
Miscellaneous income (expense)	--	9,195	179	20,239
	(43,485)	(15,914)	(85,109)	(33,624)
Net loss before extraordinary gain	(80,402)	(252,436)	(292,274)	(1,500,407)
Extraordinary gain:				
Settlement of indebtedness	7,683	--	93,168	--
Net loss	(72,719)	(252,436)	(199,106)	(1,500,407)
Less: Dividends on redeemable preferred stock	7,500	--	13,333	--
Net loss applicable to common stockholders	$(80,219)	$(252,436)	$(212,439)	($1,500,407)
Weighted Average number of shares outstanding	7,423,816	6,261,196	7,341,448	6,337,205
Loss per share of common stock	$(.01)	$(.04)	$(.03)	$(.24)

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#90319p7536 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

BASKING RIDGE, N.J. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - NYCOR, Inc. (NASDAQ: NYCO) said today that it has made required notifications under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act so that NYCOR may acquire additional shares of the common stock of Zenith Electronics Corporation (NYSE: ZE) in sufficient number that NYCOR's total investment may exceed $15 million, when combined with the shares already held by NYCOR. NYCOR said the exact number of shares to be acquired will depend on market conditions.

In its filing, NYCOR requested early termination of the waiting period normally required before shares in excess of $15 million may be purchased.

NYCOR on October 31 announced that it had filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a Schedule 13D reporting beneficial ownership of 2.2 million shares of Zenith Electronics, or approximately 8.2 percent of the total shares outstanding. The shares were acquired for approximately $10,886,700.

At the time, NYCOR said it acquired the shares as an investment and intends to review the business affairs and financial position of Zenith. NYCOR will take future action regarding its ownership position as is deemed appropriate in light of its evaluations and prevailing economic, industry and securities markets conditions.

NYCOR's future actions may include offering to make a direct capital investment in Zenith or seeking to nominate and elect directors to the board of directors of the company or to acquire control of the company through a tender offer, exchange offer, merger proposal, proxy or consent solicitation or such other actions as NYCOR may deem appropriate, and also may include the purchase of additional shares in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. Alternatively, such actions may involve the sale of all or a portion of NYCOR's holdings of shares in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions to one or more purchasers.

NYCOR currently has no operating businesses and is principally engaged in a search for businesses to acquire and operate. NYCOR's objective is to purchase underperforming manufacturing assets that fit well with management's experience in manufacturing and marketing.

CONTACT: Mark Greenberg or Vince Duffy of Adams & Rinehart, 212-557-0100, for NYCOR

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#90319p7540 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCOTTSDALE, AZ (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Giant Industries Inc. (NYSE: GI) announced today that it has increased its estimate of proved coal seam gas reserves located in the San Juan Basin to 32.4 BCF, an increase of 104 percent over last year's reserve estimate of 15.9 BCF. Based on current prices and available Federal Income Tax Credits, the present value of future net revenue from these reserves is estimated to be approximately $50 million. This figure includes approximately $29 million in benefits from Federal Income Tax Credits. The company retained Miller and Lents Ltd., an independent consulting firm, to assist in preparing the coal seam gas reserve estimates and valuation.

With recently enacted legislation, Federal Tax Credits on coal seam gas were extended two years for both drilling qualified coal seam gas wells and for using the tax credit. Coal seam gas wells spudded before Dec. 31, 1992 will

generate Federal Tax Credits through Dec. 31, 2002.

In light of the Federal Tax Credit extension, Giant is re-evaluating the timing of its coal seam gas drilling program with increased emphasis on capturing this opportunity. The company's current plans for 1991 include drilling 30 new coal seam gas wells, 40 new oil wells and reworking 40 existing oil wells. Giant continues to seek undeveloped acreage and is actively acquiring existing production where it believes enhanced value can be created through future development.

Giant has pioneered the development of shallow coal seam gas wells in the southwest portion of the San Juan Basin. Until Giant's development of coal seam gas wells in the area, the southwest portion of the San Juan Basin was not considered to have commercial coal seam gas reserves.

Giant Industries Inc. is primarily a refiner and marketer of petroleum products, supported by natural gas and crude oil exploration and production. It is the largest, most sophisticated refiner and one of the leading independent crude oil producers in the Four Corners area of the southwestern United States.

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#90319p7542 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today reported its seven U.S. car and truck assembly plants are scheduled to operate the week of Nov. 19.

The company's Newark (Del.) Assembly Plant is scheduled to operate two nine-hour daily shifts next week.

The Belvidere (Ill.), Sterling Heights (Mich.), Dodge City/Warren (Mich.) Truck, St. Louis II (Fenton, Mo.), and Toledo (Ohio) assembly plants are all scheduled to operate two regular eight-hour daily shifts next week.

The St. Louis I (Fenton) Assembly Plant will continue to operate its single eight-hour daily shift next week.

Chrysler Corporation's U.S. offices and plants will be closed Thursday, Nov. 22, and Friday, Nov. 23, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

CONTACT: Doug Nicoll or Scott Fosgard of Chrysler, 313-956-2894

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TROY, MI (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Energy Conversion Devices Inc. ("ECD") (OTC: ENER) today reported its operating results for the three months ended Sept. 30 1990.

The company reported new business agreements which result in the expansion of marketing and production capabilities through joint ventures and licensing agreements to further commercialize ECD's technologies.

Ovshinsky, president and chief executive officer, summarized the company's recent commercial activities by noting that Ovonic Battery Company, Inc. ("OBC") entered into an important royalty-bearing license agreement with Gates Energy Products, Inc. ("Gates") in batteries, and ECD has expanded its Soviet joint venture to include the manufacture of batteries. Gates and Sovlux have joined Hitachi-Maxell Ltd. of Japan and Varta Batterie AG of Germany as OBC licencees.

Ovshinsky further noted that ECD has now received a total of approximately $10 million from its Soviet joint venture partner in connection with the photovoltaic and battery agreements.

Under the license agreement with Gates, ECD/OBC have granted Gates a nonexclusive, royalty-bearing license to make, use and sell small portable batteries for consumer and OEM applications worldwide. The agreement provides for certain lump sum payments as well as running royalties. Gates is the largest portable rechargeable battery company in North America.

Under the recently expanded agreement with its Soviet joint venture partner, OBC granted the joint venture, Sovlux, an exclusive, 3 percent royalty-bearing manufacturing license for the U.S.S.R. and non-exclusive sales rights worldwide under ECD's proprietary Ovonic metal hydride batteries. The Soviet partner is contributing its existing battery manufacturing facilities and know-how to Sovlux and will fund Sovlux's new battery manufacturing operation. In October 1990, ECD received $1,150,000 for battery equipment for the Sovlux joint venture.

OBC is also supplying negative electrodes to a battery manufacturer in Hong Kong for manufacture into batteries and is negotiating additional licenses. OBC is also in active negotiations with automotive companies in the United States, Japan and Europe to scale-up its proprietary batteries for use in electric cars.

Ovshinsky also noted that he was extremely pleased that the company's Soviet partner has now paid in full $8.7 million for the two megawatt proprietary photovoltaic production equipment ECD is constructing for the 50-50 Sovlux joint venture. He noted that the parties are now discussing plans to construct a large-volume (100-150 megawatt), fully automated photovoltaic plant to achieve economies of scale thereby reducing the cost of solar energy so that it can become competitive with conventional fuels such as coal, gas and

oil, as well as uranium.

During the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, ECD and its consolidated subsidiaries, which exclude ECD's subsidiaries, OIS Optical Imaging Systems, Inc. ("OIS") and United Solar Systems Corp. ("USSC"), ECD's joint venture with Canon, Inc. of Japan had total revenues of approximately $3,168,000. ECD's business agreements to license and develop new products and production technology generated revenues of approximately $1,729,000. Product sales, including machine-building contracts, were approximately $941,000, and other income was approximately $498,000.

The decrease in the consolidated loss for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, to $1,179,000 compared to the $1,302,000 loss for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, is a result of additional revenues from business agreements, increased product sales and reduced expenses, due principally to funding of photovoltaic expenses in 1990 by USSC, partially offset by the gain on the sale of OIS common stock in 1989 and an additional expense for 1990 related to certain obligations.

Contributing to the improved operating results are revenues from Inland Steel in the area of magnets and superconductivity. Under the superconductivity program, ECD, using its proprietary fluoroxide ceramic materials technology, is developing and further optimizing high- performance, high-temperature superconducting materials. ECD and Inland Steel are currently in discussions to expand both the superconductivity and magnet programs.

ECD's operating results for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 are as follows:

ENERGY CONVERSION DEVICES INC.

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, (Unaudited) (In Thousands)	
	1990	1989
REVENUES		
Revenues from business agreements	$ 1,729	$ 667
Product Sales including machine building contracts	941	802
Other	498	223
Gain on sale of OIS Common Stock and Option		2,268
TOTAL REVENUES	$ 3,168	$ 3,960
OPERATING EXPENSES	$ 4,347	$ 5,262
NET (LOSS)	$(1,179)	$(1,302)
NET (LOSS) PER SHARE	$ (.19)	$ (.21)

The increase in revenues from business agreements from $667,000 in the three

months ended Sept. 30, 1989, to $1,729,000 in the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was primarily due to agreements in 1990 with Gates in batteries and with Inland Steel in the areas of magnets and superconductivity. Included in the first-quarter results is approximately $1,000,000 of license fees from the Gates agreement with the balance of the amounts due to be recognized over the next several years.

Product sales increased from $802,000 in the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989 to $941,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, due to machine-building contract in 1990 with ECD's joint venture partner in the U.S.S.R. and increases in sales in 1990 of X-ray mirrors, partially offset by the fact that 1989 included ECD's photovoltaic operations and product sales. USSC, whose financial statements are not consolidated, assumed these photovoltaic operations effective July 6, 1990.

ECD, based in Troy, is the pioneer in amorphous and synthetic materials technology. The company and its subsidiaries form joint ventures, license technology and manufacture and sell products in the fields of energy, information and synthetic materials based upon technology ECD and its subsidiaries have developed. ECD's photovoltaic and battery products are environmentally safe and address such environmental problems as atmospheric pollution, protecting the ozone layer, reducing hazardous waste and the greenhouse effect.

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ST. PAUL, MN (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines today said it will offer low fares to people traveling in pairs, with $25 companion fares for passengers purchasing certain discount tickets.

The fares match offers recently made by other airlines and will be available in most Northwest markets in the contiguous United States. Tickets will be available for purchase from Nov. 16 through Nov. 30 for travel through Feb. 28. Minimum stay requirements apply, as do blackout periods around Thanksgiving, Christmas and the New Year.

Northwest is America's fourth largest airline, serving 135 cities in 40 states Europe, Asia, Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean.

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DETROIT (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors (NYSE: GM) has announced plans to sell North American-produced GM passenger cars and commercial vehicles in Yugoslavia beginning early in 1991. This will represent the first official effort by any U.S.-based manufacturer to export vehicles to Yugoslavia.

In a formal ceremony scheduled for 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 16, Sead Dizdarevic, president of Sarajevo, Yugoslavia-based YK, will meet with GM International Export Sales (IES) Executive-in-Charge Dale R. Hermiller to officially sign the paperwork, and to place an initial order for 450 new 1991 North American-produced GM vehicles.

Beginning in January 1991, Dizdarevic will sell and service Chevrolet Corsica, Pontiac Grand Prix and Bonneville, and Cadillac Sedan DeVille models.

"Our target is to sell 1,000 vehicles next year from the Sarajevo dealership," said Dizdarevic. He added that the Sarajevo dealership will employ sales and service personnel dedicated to the GM North American vehicle business.

"The Yugoslavian market is just opening and we're proud to be the first North American car company to establish a presence," said Tom Olmsted, IES' director of European Marketing Operations.

Near future plans for YK include opening additional sales and service outlets beginning next spring specifically for GM North American vehicles. The service outlets will be located in the Yugoslavian cities of Split, Zagreb and Belgrad.

Dizdarevic emphasized his interest in providing quality service outlets to support his new Yugoslavian customers. In addition to the four YK sales and service locations, he intends to establish a network of 17 service outlets within a year.

"We're very pleased to be able to officially move into the Yugoslavian market with our North American products," stated Hermiller. "This is a very positive indication of the changes taking place in Eastern Europe which are opening up new business opportunities."

Last year, about 300,000 new cars were sold in Yugoslavia. YK estimates approximately 25 percent of those vehicles were imported.

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#90319p7556 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, Mass. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Hologic, Inc. (NASDAQ: HOLX) today announced that net income for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990,

increased 96 percent to $820,989 or 20 cents per share (on a fully diluted basis), compared with net income of $419,608, or 14 cents per share, for the fourth quarter of 1989. Fourth quarter revenues increased 57 percent to $5,461,610 from $3,485,756 for the same period a year ago.

For the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, Hologic reported net income of $2,628,043 or 74 cents per share (on a fully diluted basis), an 87 percent increase from $1,402,890 or 48 cents per share, for fiscal 1989. Total revenues grew 77 percent to $20,438,582 for 1990, up from $11,519,388 in 1989.

The provision for income taxes for fiscal 1990 increased to an effective tax rate of 30 percent, compared with an effective tax rate of 17.3 percent for fiscal 1989, due primarily to the reduction of the availability of net operating loss carryforwards.

"We look forward to an exciting year in 1991 during which initial shipments of two new products are planned," said S. David Ellenbogen, chief executive officer and president. "Shipments of our new QDR-2000 system with lateral scanning capability are scheduled to begin in the second quarter of the fiscal year and the release of pre-production Computed Equalization Radiography (CER) systems are targeted for mid-year with production systems scheduled later in the year. The QDR-2000 is our flagship product in bone densitometry which offers significant new diagnostic capabilities. The CER system is a new product designed to obtain chest X-rays films of higher image quality than conventional methods.

"While we expect first quarter bone densitometry revenues will be equal to or lower than the first quarter of fiscal 1990, we expect the full year to be improved over 1990 due to the introduction of the QDR-2000 which has a higher unit price than our other bone densitometry systems. The uncertainty in the first quarter is due to a continued slowing of orders from Europe after a very strong sales year in Europe in 1990 and some delays in orders from customers awaiting the availability of the QDR-2000. However, our major distributors have provided us with indications that orders over the full year will be satisfactory.

"Orders received from U.S. customers have increased during the last several months and we expect this trend to continue through the year. Per unit revenues on U.S. direct sales are higher than those on sales through distributors. Increased sales are forecasted in Asia due to the opening of a second distribution channel, Yokogawa Medical Systems, in Japan. In addition, we expect expanded and strengthened distribution in other foreign markets through both General Electric and Siemens."

Hologic, Inc. develops, manufactures and markets proprietary X-ray systems. The company's QDR-1000 X-ray bone densitometers are used for the precise measurement of bone density to assist in the diagnosis and monitoring of osteoporosis and other metabolic bone diseases. Osteoporosis, a condition

characterized by decreased bone density and increased risk of fractures, occurs primarily in older women.

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#90319p7559 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

OMAHA, NE (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Wedding Information Network, Inc., and subsidiary (NASDAQ: WINN, WINNU, and WINNA), announced revenues and results of operations for three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues increased $416,790 or 92.5 percent for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to the same period of the prior year.

The company reported a net loss of $148,184 or $(.04) per common and common equivalent share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to net earnings of $4,369 or $.00 per common and common equivalent share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Commenting on the revenues and operational results for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and the year-to-date, Sanford L. Friedman, president of Wedding Information Network, Inc., said the increased sales were primarily from the addition of K/R & Associates, a printing company which was acquired during the quarter. It contributed $388,322 in sales, however, operated at a loss for the quarter. Wedding Information Network, Inc., operated at a loss for the quarter, however, only 12 percent of the books expected to publish for the year published this quarter.

Wedding Information Network, Inc., is a franchisor and publisher of "The Wedding Pages," a comprehensive guide used to plan a wedding. Wedding Information Network, Inc., currently operates in 72 geographic markets through a network of 40 franchisees, two company markets, and one joint venture. Through this network, "The Wedding Pages" offers a sophisticated marketing program used by businesses who provide products and services to the bridal industry. K/R Associates, Inc., provides commercial art, typesetting, camera and printing services for a diverse base of Omaha, Neb., business clients.

WEDDING INFORMATION NETWORK, INC.
SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA FOR THE YEAR AND QUARTER ENDED SEPT. 30, 1990
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$867,546	$450,756
Selling, marketing production costs	605,791	230,668
Total costs and expenses	1,056,693	501,707
Loss from operations	(189,147)	(50,951)

Interest income (expense) net	40,963	55,320
Income (loss) before income tax	(148,184)	4,369
Income taxes (net)	--	--
Net income (loss)	$(148,184)	$4,369
Net income (loss) per common and Class A common share	$(.04)	--
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,376,950	3,367,450

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CHULA VISTA, CA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Rohr Industries (NYSE: RHR) reported earnings per share of 26 cents on record sales of $320.7 million for fiscal year 1991's first quarter, which ended Oct. 28. It was Rohr's third consecutive profitable quarter since suffering an unexpected loss in the first quarter of last year.

Sales increased 37 percent over fiscal 1990 first quarter's $234.5 million. Fourth quarter 1990 sales were $318.8 million.

The company's operating margin was 5.9 percent of sales for the second consecutive quarter. Operating income was $19.0 million for the first quarter and $18.8 million for fourth quarter 1990.

The industry is scheduled to deliver nearly 800 commercial aircraft this year. Rohr believes the industry will average 500 deliveries per year in the 1990s about 25 percent more than the 1980s' average.

Contributing to increased commercial sales were deliveries for the Pratt & Whitney PW4000, General Electric CF6-80C, and CFM International CFM56-5 nacelle and the McDonnell Douglas MD-11 pylon programs. The Federal Aviation Administration certified the MD-11 Nov. 8 enabling McDonnell Douglas to begin customer deliveries.

Pricing changes led to improved operating results in supplying Grumman F-14 fighter inlets and nacelles. The company expects improved pricing for Boeing 757 struts (pylons) beginning in January 1991 and Boeing KC-135 nacelles a year later. Negotiations are underway for a May 1991 follow-on contract for the McDonnell Douglas MD-80 airliner.

Two new facilities were opened during the first quarter. Rohr Europe, a subsidiary, opened a facility that more than doubles the unit's building space in Toulouse. Separately, a new subsidiary, Rohr HTA Inc., opened a facility in Texas to fabricate components from advanced metals for aerospace applications. HTA stands for high-temperature aerostructures.

Rohr designs, integrates, manufactures and supports aircraft engine nacelle systems and components for commercial, military and business aircraft. Rohr, headquartered in Chula Vista, Calif., has facilities in the United States and Europe.

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#90319p7563 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANDALUYONG, Metro Manila (NOV. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Dennis R. Belmonte, president and chief executive officer of Benguet Corporation, reported that consolidated net income for the third quarter amounted to P20,800,000 (US$800,000), or P0.18 (US$0.007) per share, a decline of 3 percent compared to the earnings of P32,800,000 in the second quarter of this year, and by 64 percent compared to the earnings of P57,700,000 in the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the nine-month period amounted to P176,800,000 (US$6,800,000) or P1.56 (US$0.41) per share, 37 percent lower than the P259,900,000 earnings for the same period last year.

Although consolidated net earnings for the quarter are lower, operating income actually improved from the operating loss reported for the second quarter of the year. This year's to date earnings came principally from the Dizon mine and from the sale of the company's investments in shares of stock, partly offset by losses from Benguet and Paracale gold operations.

The Dizon Mine contributed P98,500,000 (US$3,800,000), an increase of 136 percent from the earnings of P41,700,000 for the same period in 1989. For the nine-month period, earnings were P238,300,000, compared to the earnings of P192,100,000 last year. Lower production output due to the hard-to-grind ore currently being mined will soon be resolved with the construction of the crushing and screening plan scheduled for completion by December of this year.

Despite the damage caused by the earthquake of July 16 this year, the loss from mining operations at the Benguet Gold Operations was reduced by 62 percent to P22,200,000 (US$880,000) during this third quarter, compared to the loss of P59,300,000 for the same quarter in 1989 partly because of the higher price of gold and of lower operating costs and expenses. For the nine-month period, losses were lower by 14 to P73,800,000 (US$2,900,000) this year from P85,900,000 for the same period in 1989.

The Masinloc Chromite Operation generated earnings of P2,100,000 (US$80,000) this quarter representing a 316 percent increase from last year's income of P500,000 despite an 18 percent decline in shipments. For the nine-month period earnings likewise increased to P10,400,000 (US$410,000) from P600,000 in 1989, as the average cost of chromite shipped per tonne decreased to US$68 from US$75 in 1989.

The Paracale Gold Operation generated net earnings for this quarter of P3,300,000 (US$126,000) compared to the loss of P14,000,000 in the same period in 1989 brought about by the increase in gold prices, as well as a non-recurring adjustment in the prior quarters' depletion rate booked in the accounts this quarter. However, for the nine-month period, losses amounted to P34,800,000 (US$1,400,000), slightly better compared to the losses of P36,600,000 for the same period in 1989.

Losses from metal (gold and copper) trading amounted to P14,800,000 (US$580,000) this quarter compared with earnings of P36,900,000 mostly for gold traded in the same quarter last year. This quarter's losses were from the termination of copper hedging contracts for 3,306,900 pounds of copper. For the nine-month period, losses from metal trading amounted to P22,700,000 (US$880,000) compared to the earnings of P96,000,000 in 1989 for the same period.

Benguet Management Corporation (BMC), a 100 percent-owned subsidiary, and its subsidiaries reported a consolidated loss of P15,000,000 (US$500,000) for the third quarter, and P28,000,000 (US$1,100,000) for the nine-month period compared to earnings of P4,100,000 and P47,500,000 for the same respective periods in 1989. Losses were mostly from Philippine Cocoa Estates Corporation, a 59.5 percent owned subsidiary of BMC.

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MONTCLAIR, N.J. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Bernard J. Martin, chairman and chief executive officer of Montclair Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MSBI), today announced that the board of directors at its Nov. 13 meeting declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.15 per share. The dividend will be paid on Jan. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record as of Dec. 1, 1990.

Montclair Bancorp, Inc. is the parent holding company of Montclair Savings Bank, Montclair.

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#90319p7567 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank South (NASDAQ: BKSO) announced today the termination of a previously announced merger agreement with The Commercial Bank of Douglasville.

"The merger agreement between Bank South and The Commercial Bank has expired in accordance with its terms, and we have chosen not to extend it," said Robert P. Guyton, chairman and chief executive officer of Bank South. "We do not believe that the timing is right for this merger and the distractions it will inevitably cause during the transition period.

"At this time we are devoting full attention to managing our organization through a recessionary period," Guyton continued. "This requires us to focus on prudent management of credits, expenses and business development -- so that our company can move successfully through the economic downturn."

Bank South Corp. is a $5.5 billion, multi-bank holding company with 140 offices throughout Georgia and the Florida panhandle. Bank South stock is traded on the NASDAQ market under the symbol BKSO.

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#90319p7568 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors (NYSE: GM) has filed a shelf registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering $2 billion in debt securities to be sold from time to time either directly or through agents, dealers or underwriters. This shelf registration essentially replaces GM's last such filing in 1986, covering up to $1.5 billion, of which a small portion is still unused. Net proceeds from the sale of these securities will be used for general corporate purposes, including worldwide refinancings which will be in excess of $2 billion over the next two years.

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#90319p7573 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - American Medical Holdings Inc. (AMEX: AMI) today reported that the company has signed a definitive agreement to sell its Denver-area hospital assets to PSL Healthcare System. The closing is scheduled for the end of February 1991.

AMI operates three hospitals which are included in the agreement. Those hospitals are Presbyterian Denver (438 beds) and St. Luke's (465 beds) in Denver, and Presbyterian Aurora (134 beds) in Aurora, a suburb of Denver. PSL Healthcare System has indicated that the purchase, as well as the completion of the Presbyterian Denver construction project, will be financed through the issuance of in excess of $200 million of tax-exempt bonds.

Harry J. Gray, chairman and chief executive officer of AMI said, "We are confident that PSL Healthcare will continue to provide the excellent quality

health care service that is the hallmark of AMI's facilities. We are pleased that the group intends to complete the project to consolidate the downtown facilities and maintain the preeminence of these hospitals in the area."

AMI, the founder of the investor-owned industry, operates acute care hospitals in the United States.

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#90319p7578 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DUBLIN, OH (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - PSH Master L.P. I (NASDAQ: PSHPZ) confirmed today that as previously announced, it has insufficient cash to pay a quarterly distribution on Nov. 15, 1990. The partnership announced today that the partnership is continuing its discussions with the general partner (and its general partners) concerning the fulfillment of the general partners' contractual obligations to assure the payment of a distribution of $1.10 per unit for the fiscal year ending Dec. 27, 1990.

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#90319p7581 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (NOV. 15) PRWIRE - Hawkins Energy Corp. (NASDAQ: HECI) today reported revenues of $1,560,000 for the third quarter of 1990; this is a 14 percent increase over the pro forma results during the third quarter of 1989. The increase in revenue for the three month period primarily resulted from a 456 percent increase in compressor sales and rentals that offset a 30 percent decrease in oil and gas sales. Net income of $19,000 (1 cent per share) was reported for the third quarter of 1990 compared with a pro forma net loss of $229,000 (7 cents per share) for the third quarter of 1989. For the first nine months of 1990, revenues were 12 percent higher than the same period of 1989.

Thomas F. Ostrye, the company's president, said that he was pleased with the increased revenue coming from the company's gas compression operations. "The company is postured for significant growth in all of its business sectors," Ostrye said.

Hawkins Energy Corp. was formed in December, 1989, after limited partners in ten oil and gas drilling partnerships approved the exchange of partnership units for common stock. The pro forma results reported for 1989 reflect the financial consolidation of separate business entities, each with its own restrictions and objectives.

Hawkins Energy Corp. is a Tulsa-based, publicly held energy company engaged in

oil and gas production and the remanufacturing, sales and leasing of gas compressors through its wholly owned subsidiary, Equity Compressors Inc. Hawkins Energy's common shares are listed on NASDAQ under the symbol HECI. The company currently has 3,282,864 outstanding shares of common stock.

HAWKINS ENERGY CORP.
(In thousands except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 1,560	$ 1,369	$ 4,597	$ 4,088
Net Inc. (Loss)	$ 19	$ (229)	$ (457)	$ (692)
Net Inc. (Loss) Per Share	$ .01	$ (.07)	$ (.14)	$ (.21)
Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding	3,283	3,286	3,285	3,286

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#90319p7583 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Two international public relations/public affairs counseling firms today jointly announced a unique arrangement with a major law firm which provides assurances for legal resources for their clients in issues management work.

Hill and Knowlton, Inc., the world's leading public relations firm and a sister organization, Carl Byoir & Associates, a strategic communications counselling firm, received the assurances from Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice a firm of 200 lawyers with a national practice and established professional relationships with law firms worldwide.

The announcement was made by the presidents of both firms, Robert L. Dilenschneider, president and chief executive officer of Hill and Knowlton, and Douglas G. Hearle, president and chief executive officer of Carl Byoir. Both companies are owned by WPP Group plc, one of the leading advertising and marketing services groups in the world.

The announcement noted that the assurance arose from recognition of the need on many issue management matters for law firms with a depth and quality of lawyers experienced in understanding and managing the legal aspects of legislative, regulatory and litigation issues.

The announcement stressed that Womble Carlyle will provide the appropriate legal resources only on those matters for which they are requested to do so by the client of the public relations firms and are able to do so consistent with all legal and ethical standards.

Neither Hill and Knowlton nor Carl Byoir is obligated to recommend Womble Carlyle to any client or on any matter. When Womble Carlyle is retained by a client who desires their services, Womble Carlyle will have the normal direct relationship with that client. Nor is any client required to select Womble Carlyle to provide legal resources in order to retain Hill and Knowlton or Carl Byoir. There is no forwarding fee or other compensation involved.

Murray C. Greason Jr., chairman of Womble Carlyle's executive committee, said that his firm is delighted that Hill and Knowlton and Carl Byoir have expressed such confidence in his firm.

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#90319p7589 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEMPHIS, TN (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Express Corporation (NYSE: FDX) announced today that average daily volume of express packages and documents for October 1990 increased 9 percent over October 1989.

FEDERAL EXPRESS CORPORATION

	October		Fiscal Year to Date (Five Months)	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total volume (000)	30,139	26,429	139,835	125,568
Operating weekdays	23	22	107	107
Daily volume	1,310,391	1,201,318	1,306,869	1,173,532
Percent change		9.1		11.4

The company also announced that heavyweight shipments for the month totaled 74.4 million pounds.

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#90319p7598 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) today announced a realignment to better address the competitive marketplace and to posture the company for future growth in the 1990s.

The restructuring creates a new Consumer Markets unit; consolidates the present seven domestic divisions into four larger business divisions within a new Business Markets unit; and forms a new Network Services organization to meet future network operations and service requirements related to both markets. MCI's International Division will continue to guide the company's aggressive marketing of global voice, data and messaging services.

"MCI has successfully restructured its organization several times before to capitalize on opportunities in the telecommunications industry. Today's announcement reflects an organizational flexibility that allows us to achieve operating efficiencies to meet challenges we see ahead," Bert C. Roberts Jr., president and chief operating officer, said today.

"These shifts are driven by our recognition of the changing economic conditions that most businesses are experiencing and the competitive marketplace which demands a new market driven organization structure in order to grow marketshare," he said. "Change has been a hallmark of MCI and we are once again proving our willingness to change the way we do business to win new marketshare."

At the same time, he said, "although MCI anticipates that its future growth will exceed that of the overall market, the downturn in economic conditions, the overall cost of restructuring, intense competition in the market and the costs of assimilating Telcom-USA, are negative constraints on the company's financial performance for the next several quarters."

Roberts added that the restructuring of the organization could result in a displacement of approximately 1,500 people over the next six months.

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#90319p7603 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Sage Software, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SGSI) today reported operating results for the second fiscal quarter which ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Revenues for the second quarter were $7.5 million, a 24 percent increase over the same period last year. Net income increased 35 percent to $896,000 (14 cents per share) compared to $665,000 (11 cents per share) for Q2 of last year.

For the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, revenues increased 27 percent to $13.9 million from $10.9 million for the same period last year. Net income for the six months rose 35 percent to $1.1 million (17 cents per share) compared to $815,000 (13 cents per share) for the first half of last year.

Kevin J. Burns, Sage's president/CEO said, "The increase in revenues and profitability during Q2 were driven by strong demand in North America where revenues grew 36 percent."

Sage specializes in CASE tools for users of IBM computers. Sage's products allow customers to build systems faster while reducing costs and risk. Sage's worldwide headquarters is located at 3200 Tower Oaks Blvd., Rockville, Md.

20852.

CONTACT: Kevin Burns, president, CEO, 301-230-3201, or Melody Ranelli, vice president, CFO, 301-230-3210, both of Sage Software, Inc.

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TULSA, OKLA. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - BancOklahoma Corp. (NASDAQ: BOKC) announced today that it has begun discussions with George Kaiser concerning his acquisition of the interest in Bank of Oklahoma, N.A., to be retained by the company after Kaiser purchases the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.'s interest in the bank.

Kaiser previously has announced his agreement with the FDIC to purchase the Bank of Oklahoma preferred stock owned by the FDIC which is convertible into 99.99 percent of the common stock of Bank of Oklahoma. Current discussions between Kaiser and BancOklahoma concern his acquisition of the 0.01 percent interest in Bank of Oklahoma that BancOklahoma would hold after the conversion of the Bank of Oklahoma preferred stock.

No terms or conditions for the acquisition of BancOklahoma's interest have been established, and any agreement must be approved by banking regulators and by BancOklahoma's shareholders.

The FDIC acquired its equity interest in Bank of Oklahoma in 1986 when it injected $130 million of capital into Bank of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, which was merged into Bank of Oklahoma as part of that transaction. Last year, the FDIC announced its desire to sell its interest. In August of this year, it accepted bids, and Kaiser's bid was selected out of this process. The FDIC has agreed that a bank holding company formed by Kaiser may make available a limited amount of its common stock for the purpose of acquiring BancOklahoma's interest in Bank of Oklahoma.

Bank of Oklahoma is the largest bank in Oklahoma, with assets of $1.8 billion and 14 locations in the Tulsa and Oklahoma City metropolitan areas.

CONTACT: William B. Fader, 918-588-6348; or Coy Hobbs, 918-588-6035, both of BancOklahoma

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ATLANTA (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Banker's Note Inc. (NASDAQ: BKNT), an Atlanta-based chain of 75 specialty women's apparel stores, and Heirlooms Inc. the company's Philadelphia-based majority owned manufacturing subsidiary of women's apparel, expects to report a consolidated loss for the third quarter ended Nov. 3.

Last year, the company reported consolidated third quarter net earnings of $23,000 or $.01 per share.

Management did not disclose the amount of the anticipated loss, but expects to report a year-to-date loss for the nine months ended Nov. 3.

For the six months ended Aug. 4, the company reported consolidated earnings of $296,000 or $.09 per share.

Operating results were on plan through August 1990. The company experienced a sharp decline in planned sales revenues during the months of September and October attributable to the decline in general economic conditions brought on by the Mid-East crisis as evidenced by rising oil prices and reduced consumer spending.

Management is taking the necessary action during this period of uncertainty to reduce expenses and control inventories, for both the fourth quarter and fiscal year 1991 in anticipation of flat or declining sales revenues.

CONTACT: Thomas J. Thirkell, chief financial officer of The Banker's Note, 404-432-0636

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ELKIN, NC (NOV. 15) PR NEWSIWRE - Brendle's Inc., (NASDAQ-NMS: BRDL), an upscale discount department store headquartered in Elkin, N.C., announces today the Grand Opening, Friday, November 16, 1990 of its newest store, located in Chesapeake, Va.

The new 40,000 square foot Chesapeake store is located in the Crossways Shopping Center at 1412 Greenbrier Parkway, and will feature the new raceway design for ease of shopping.

This new location will be the sixteenth new store opening for Brendle's during its aggressive 1990 campaign, bringing their total to 59 stores throughout North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee and Georgia.

Ms. Holly Barnes will manage this new Brendle's store. Ms. Barnes formerly was the manager of Brendle's in Newport News, Va., located at 451 Oriana Road. In addition to these two stores, Brendle's has another store in the Tidewater area located in Virginia Beach, Va., at 1944 Laskin Road.

Brendle's is a public held company traded over the counter under the symbol BRDL.

CONTACT: David Brendle of Brendle's, Inc., 919-526-5600.

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#90319p7616 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPRINGFIELD, IL (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Horace Mann Educators Corporation (HMEC), an insurance holding company, reported earnings before interest, taxes and amortization (EBITA) of $17.5 million for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 1990, an increase of $3.8 million over the third quarter 1989.

EBITA for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, is ahead of the prior year for all businesses, but primarily for property/casualty and life. Year-to-date EBITA of $54.2 million increased $20.3 million from the prior period. Reductions to indebtedness under HMEC's bank credit agreement continue ahead of schedule.

Paul J. Kardos, president and chief executive officer, stated: "We are pleased with the results which continue to be strong despite the numerous difficulties facing the insurance industry today."

Results from HMEC's agent recruiting efforts began to be realized during the third quarter. The Horace Mann agency force experienced growth in each month of the quarter.

Property and casualty results continue improvement over the prior year. The prior year includes higher than usual losses as a result of Hurricane Hugo. More normal weather-related losses were experienced during the current quarter. As a result, the combined loss and expense ratio to premium (statutory basis) improved from 108.7 percent for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, to 103.9 percent for the current quarter.

The year-to-date property and casualty combined ratio is 102.6 percent. The Horace Mann property and casualty combined ratio is significantly better than the industry average. Through the six months ending June 1990, the industry average combined ratio was 109.6 percent, which compares to 102.0 percent for Horace Mann.

The 5 percent growth in life insurance in force over the prior year and improved retention of annuity business has resulted in the consistent earnings in these businesses.

For the third quarter 1990, interest expense on long-term debt was $13.6 million, of which $9.8 million was cash interest expense, and the amortization of intangible assets related to the leveraged buyout was $4.9 million.

HMEC is an insurance holding company primarily engaged through its subsidiaries in providing personal lines of property/casualty and life insurance, annuities and group life and health insurance products. HMEC's business originated in Springfield, Ill., in 1945. HMEC markets its products through its agency force, primarily to teachers and other employees of public

schools. HMEC was acquired in August 1989 from CIGNA Corporation by HME Holdings, Inc., a corporation formed at the direction of Gibbons, Green, van Amerongen, L.P., an investment banking firm specializing in management-led acquisitions.

CONTACT: George Zock, treasurer of Horace Mann Educators Corporation, 217-788-5133.

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#90319p7617 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALABASAS, Calif. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The case in which a jury today returned a verdict against Lockheed Corp. (NYSE: LK) involved only the issue of wrongful termination of three former employees, Joseph G. Twomey, Lockheed vice president and general counsel, said.

"Statements to the contrary and attributed in some press reports to the plaintiffs' attorney are totally wrong and completely irresponsible," he said.

"This is not a fraud case," Twomey declared. "It's not a whistleblower case. It's not a false claims case. The single issue is the alleged wrongful termination. We remain confident that the verdict will not stand."

CONTACT: Bob Slayman, 818-712-2468, or Scott Hallman, 818-712-2477, both of Lockheed Corp.

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#90319p7620 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDLAND PARK, N.J. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The GMI Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: GMED) today announced results of operations for the nine months and third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

THE GMI GROUP, INC.
Comparative Analysis (Unaudited)

Periods Ended	Nine Months		Third Quarter	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$6,590,000	$7,496,000	$2,209,000	$2,201,000
Loss from cont. opers.	(1,480,000)	(2,030,000)	(566,000)	(602,000)
Loss from discont. operations	(3,951,000)	(8,319,000)	(3,982,000)	(6,268,000)
Net loss	(5,431,000)	(10,349,000)	(4,548,000)	(6,870,000)
Net loss per common share	(2.03)	(3.90)	(1.68)	(2.58)
Average shares outstanding	2,673,130	2,665,399	2,680,492	2,665,492

CONTACT: Philip A. Newman, chairman of the GMI Group, 201-444-2335

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#90319p7621 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - National Heritage Inc. (NYSE: NHR) today reported that it has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a notification indicating that it will file its Form 10-Q for its fiscal first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, on or before Nov. 19, 1990.

Based on preliminary estimates, the company anticipates that it will report a loss of $52,000 for the fiscal first quarter as compared to a net loss of $336,000 for the same period in the prior year.

National Heritage Inc. is one of the nation's leading managers of long-term care facilities for the elderly.

CONTACT: Julie Sledge of National Heritage Inc., 214-233-3900.

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#90319p7623 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - First of Michigan Capital Corporation, whose principal subsidiary is First of Michigan Corporation, reported that consolidated net income for the fiscal year ended Sept. 28, 1990, was $3,872,089, or $1.54 per share, compared to $1,668,655, or 68 cents per share for the 1989 fiscal year. Revenues were $44,428,454 compared to $37,641,524 in the prior year.

For the three months ended Sept. 28, 1990, First of Michigan Capital Corporation earned $126,230, or 4 cents per share on revenues of $9,980,605. Fourth-quarter net income for fiscal 1989 was $465,139, or 19 cents per share on revenues of $10,025,297.

John G. Martin, president and chief executive officer, reported that the increase in revenues for the 12-month period includes a gain of $5,062,352 related to the sale of a security held in the company's investment account. In addition, he said that increases in interest income and revenues from stock commission business and mutual fund sales also contributed to the increase in 12-month revenues. Partially offsetting these increases were declines in revenues from the sales of new issue stocks, limited partnership interests and municipal and corporate trading activities. Martin said that revenues decreased for the quarter because of lower revenues from principal activities which again were partially offset by increases in interest and agency commission revenues.

Martin also reported that net income for the 12-month period includes an unusual gain of $2.4 million (97 cents per share), after taxes and other

expenses related to the sale of a security held in the investment account. He also said that net income for the 12-month and three-month periods was increased by $470,000 (19 cents per share) and $208,000 (9 cents per share), respectively, due to the utilization of a net operating loss carryforward caused by the discontinuance of a wholly owned subsidiary.

Martin also indicated that, because of industry conditions, the results for the 12-month and three-month periods are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the upcoming fiscal year.

Martin reported that First of Michigan Corporation continues to be the strongest of any Michigan-based broker-dealer, with total capital at an all-time high of more than $27.5 million.

Martin also reported that the consolidated earnings for the three months ended Sept. 28, 1990, includes Smith, Hague & Co., Incorporated, which was merged with First of Michigan Corporation effective March 30, 1990.

CONTACT: John G. Martin of First of Michigan Capital Corporation, 313-259-2600

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#90319p7625 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Canadian Pacific Hotels Corporation today announced the acquisition of MetHotels Inc. of Phoenix, Ariz., from Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. The new chain will become one of the largest in North America, with 87 hotels.

The transaction is expected to close on or about Nov. 30. Under the terms of the agreement, the New York-based insurance company will retain a 20 percent interest in the new chain. "We are very pleased to have completed our negotiations with Metropolitan Life, and we look forward to a long and rewarding relationship," said Robert DeMone, the chairman, president and CEO of Canadian Pacific Hotels & Resorts. "We are very excited about this acquisition, and the marketing and development opportunities it presents."

In 1988, Canadian Pacific Hotels & Resorts greatly expanded its Canadian network with the acquisition of CN Hotels. "Through this new agreement," DeMone added, "we have taken the next strategic step and created a chain with the presence and quality to make a distinctive and lasting mark in North American hospitality."

MetHotels operates 63 hotels in 21 U.S. states, primarily in the Southwest. Through its Doubletree division, MetHotels manages and operates 37 full-service hotels. Compri, founded in 1985, embodies a boutique hotel concept, featuring a club-type atmosphere; it is both a franchising and management company with 26 hotels. MetHotels also has a number of hotels

under development, including a property in Osaka, Japan.

Canadian Pacific Hotels & Resorts is the largest hotel company in Canada, with 24 properties located in prime city centre and resort locations from coast to coast. CPH&R also has two hotels under development for 1991 openings--the Waterfront Centre Hotel in Vancouver, B.C. and the historic Hotel Macdonald in Edmonton, Alberta.

CONTACT: Ann Checkley of Canadian Pacific Hotels & Resorts, 416-367-7101, Catherine Kowanetz of Hill and Knowlton, 416-483-7323, for Canadian Pacific Hotels & Resorts, or Sheila O'Connor of Metropolitan Life, 212-578-6503

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#90319p7630 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boeing Co. (NYSE: BA) announced today lump sum payments to be made to employees next month will total approximately $253 million.

The bulk of the payments will be made in five major Boeing locations, with approximately $186 million in the Puget Sound area; $39 million in Wichita, Kan.; $13 million in Philadelphia; $5 million in Huntsville, Ala.; and $3 million in Portland, Ore.

The lump sum payments will be distributed Dec. 14. In general, the payments are an additional 5 percent over employees' annual wages.

Lump sum payments for union-represented and general office employees were announced previously. Those payments, also to be made Dec. 14, are included in the $253 million total.

Recently, a decision was made to include other categories of employees, such as professional & administrative and management, in the lump sum distribution. That decision, according to Boeing Chairman Frank Shrontz, was made because of the company's positive operating performance during 1990.

CONTACT: Paul Binder of The Boeing Co., 206-655-6123

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#90319p7635 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVING, TEXAS (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Michaels Stores Inc. (AMEX: MKE) reported today that its net income for the third quarter ended Oct. 28, 1990, totalled $578,000, or 6 cents per share, a 77 percent increase over its $326,000, or 3 cents per share, net income for fiscal 1989's comparable period. The specialty retailer's sales for the latest quarter increased 19 percent to $85.4 million, from $72 million a year earlier.

For the nine months, Michaels' net income amounted to $1,039,000, or 10 cents per share, on sales of $228.6 million. This compares with earnings of $946,000, or 9 cents per share, in the comparable 1989 period, when sales were $185.7 million.

Noting that it continues experiencing healthy sales levels, the company nevertheless attributed its third quarter profits principally to pricing, purchasing and inventory management controls implemented earlier in the quarter.

According to President Donald G. Thomson, "Michaels plans to continue improving its balance sheet while aggressively managing costs and simultaneously increasing sales." Thomas explained, "Given current market conditions, in addition to the better operational controls, we're placing our sales emphasis on current stores rather than on opening new stores."

During the recent quarter Michaels opened six stores, bringing new stores opened during 1990 to 17. Third quarter sales at the 109 stores in operation during 1989 and 1990 increased from $68 million to $72 million, or 6 percent. For the first nine months, same store sales increased 8 percent.

Michaels Stores Inc. is one of the nation's leading specialty retailers, offering competitively priced home decor and arts and crafts items at 137 company owned and operated stores in 19 states in the southern half and Midwestern sections of the United States.

CONTACT: J. Eugene Stubbs of Michaels Stores Inc., 214-580-8242

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#90319p7638 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

DODGEVILLE, WI (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Lands' End, Inc. (LE), today reported earnings of $238,000, or 2 cents per share, in its third quarter ended Nov. 2, compared with net earnings of $5.6 million, equal to 28 cents per share, for the third quarter last year.

Net sales in the quarter just ended totaled $145.4 million, up 10 percent from sales of $131.6 million in the same quarter last year.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1991, net sales increased 9 percent to $374.6 million from $343.9 million for the first nine months of fiscal 1990. The first nine months of the current fiscal year resulted in a net loss of $259,000 or 1 cent per share, compared with earnings of $12.5 million or 62 cents per share in the same period last year.

In commenting on the results, Richard C. Anderson, president and chief executive officer of the direct merchant clothing firm, said that at the

beginning of August, the company experienced a fall-off in demand similar to that which others have reported. "However, this was followed by a strong response to our children's catalog, the September issue and the new merchandise offered throughout the quarter. Although this substantial rise in demand was encouraging, we were not able to translate it into sales because of inventory shortages," said Anderson.

"The added costs associated with the large increase in lost sales and making shipments at our expense to fill the higher than normal level of backorders, as well as lower gross profit, contributed to the third quarter's earnings drop as it did in the previous quarter," said Anderson.

The decrease in gross margin in the third quarter, 40.1 percent of net sales compared with 42.9 percent in the same period last year, was due to lower initial markups on regular catalog merchandise and higher markdowns on liquidations of excess inventories. Liquidations as a percentage of sales were relatively the same in the quarter just ended as in the similar period last year.

Selling, general and administrative expenses rose 23 percent in the third quarter because of an increase in the number of catalogs mailed, higher shipping and handling costs associated with relatively higher lost sales and backorders, and a $2.0 million, or 6 cents per share, one-time charge for the cost of relocating the company's Chicago office to Dodgeville. As a percentage of sales, SG&A was 39.7 percent in fiscal 1991, compared with 35.7 percent in fiscal 1990.

Third quarter ending inventory was $101.7 million, down from $120.4 million at the same time last year.

CONTACT: Charlotte LaComb of Land's End, 608-935-4835.

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#90319p7640 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEXICO, MO (NOV. 15 PR NEWSWIRE - A.P. Green Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: APGI) announced today that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990. This is the ninth consecutive quarterly dividend.

A.P. Green Industries Inc. headquartered in Mexico, Mo., is a leading manufacturer and distributor of refractory products in both the United States and international markets. The company also manufactures industrial lime products used in the production of steel, aluminum and paper, and for road stabilization and water purification.

CONTACT: Gary L. Roberts of A.P. Green, 314-473-3626

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#90319p7642 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - SciMed Life Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: SMLS) announced today that it has acquired a non-exclusive, worldwide license for a patent and pending patent application held by C.R. Bard, Inc. The patents license by SciMed encompass technology for "fixed-wire" balloon angioplasty catheters. The agreement also provides for the settlement of current patent litigation between Bard and SciMed.

The license agreement calls for SciMed to make a one-time, paid-up license fee to Bard of $8.5 million. SciMed will amortize this fee over the 17-year life of the licensed patent, which will reduce SciMed's fiscal 1991 earnings per share by approximately $0.02. As of Aug. 31, 1990, SciMed's cash and equivalents totaled $46 million, versus a balance of $38 million at the Feb. 28 fiscal 1990 year-end.

CONTACT: Craig R. Dvorak of SciMed Life Systems, 612-420-0832

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#90319p7651 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
GREENWICH, CONN (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Gabelli Equity Trust Inc. (NYSE: GAB), at a meeting held on Nov. 14, authorized declaration of a 43 cents per share distribution payable on Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 17. This brings to $1.18 per share the 1990 payout pursuant to the fund's 10 percent annual distribution policy.

The Gabelli Equity Trust is a closed-end, non-diversified management investment company whose primary objective is a long-term growth of capital.

CONTACT: Annemarie Gilly of Gabelli Equity Trust, 203-625-0665

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#90319p7654 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed Action Savings Bank, S.L.A., Somers Point, N.J., in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, Action Federal Savings Bank, will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift, and will operate in conservatorship under the management of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The receivership did not result in any interruption of Action Savings's day-to-day operations. The institution will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the takeover, which was approved by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the

thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

OTS initiated the receivership because Action Savings was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition in that it had insufficient capital, with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

Action Savings's condition is due primarily to an overwhelming level of non-performing assets resulting from poor underwriting and a depressed local real estate market.

More than 50 percent of the thrift's portfolio is composed of high-risk assets including land, construction and commercial real estate loans, many of which are no longer generating earnings.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, Action Savings had troubled assets of $87.5 million, or 33.4 percent of total assets, and delinquent loans of $57.87 million, or 22.1 percent of assets. As of the same date, the institution had an operating loss of $22.37 million and a net loss of $18.55 million. The institution is insolvent in that it has negative tangible capital.

Action Savings Bank, S.L.A., was a state-chartered stock association. Shareholders will retain no interest in the new institution.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, Action Savings Bank, S.L.A., reported assets of $261.97 million, liabilities of $261.14 million and tangible capital of negative $210,000 for a tangible capital-to-assets ratio of negative 0.08 percent.

CONTACT: Angelo Vigna, 201-413-7301, or Marc Adams, 202-906-6677, both of the Office of Thrift Supervision.

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#90319p7665 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - NL Industries, Inc. (NYSE: NL) today announced that its board of directors has declared its regular dividend of 15 cents per share on its common stock, payable Dec. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

NL Industries is a worldwide supplier of titanium dioxide pigments and specialty chemicals.

CONTACT: Robert P. Wallace of NL Industries, 713-987-5186.

-30- 575

#90319p7672 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation announced today the public offering of $200 million of 10-3/8 percent notes

due Nov. 15, 2000, priced at 100 percent. The First Boston Corporation and Kidder, Peabody & Co. Incorporated are co- managers of the underwriting syndicate offering the notes.

The notes are not redeemable prior to maturity. The company intends to use the net proceeds from the sale of the notes for general corporate purposes.

The company (an indirect subsidiary of Panhandle Eastern Corporation /NYSE: PEL/) is engaged primarily in the transportation and sale of natural gas in interstate commerce. Together with three other Panhandle Eastern Corporation subsidiaries, the company is involved in owning and operating one of the largest interstate natural gas pipeline systems in the United States. This interconnected 27,500-mile system can accept natural gas from all major producing regions of North America for delivery to markets throughout the Midwest and the Northeast.

CONTACT: Joseph D. Fashano of First Boston, 212-909-2107

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#90319p7674 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDEN, COLO. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Adolph Coors Co. (NASDAQ: ACCOB) today declared a quarterly dividend of 12-1/2 cents per share, payable Dec. 17, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Dave Dunnewald or Joe Fuentes of Adolph Coors Co., 303-277-2555, 800-332-3725 (Colorado only) or 800-525-3786

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#90319p7679 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - BEI Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ: BEII), a San Francisco-based diversified technology company, achieved record sales for fiscal 1990 ended Sept. 29, Peter G. Paraskos, president and chief executive officer, announced today.

Sales were $93,438,000, up 28 percent from the $73,039,000 reported for fiscal 1989. Net income was $6,773,000 compared to $6,920,000 posted in the prior fiscal year. Earnings per share for fiscal 1990 were $1.00 compared to $1.30 recorded one year ago primarily due to the increased number of shares outstanding after the July 1989 initial public offering.

For BEI's fourth fiscal quarter sales were $34,289,000, up 46 percent from the $23,488,000 reported in the prior year. Net income was $1,898,000 compared to $2,355,000 posted in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Earnings per share for the fourth quarter were 28 cents compared to 35 cents in the same period of fiscal 1989.

The results of the fourth quarter and fiscal 1990 include three months of sales from the four recently acquired divisions of the Systron Donner Co. and six months of sales from the encoder business which was acquired from Litton Industries earlier this year.

"The slight decline in net income for fiscal 1990 reflects the shipment delays experienced by BEI Defense Systems Co. and the costs associated with the reorganization, consolidation and interest expense connected with the assimilation of two major acquisitions," he said. "BEI Defense Systems Co. has experienced shipment delays on its HYDRA-70 rocket motors due to technical and financial problems of suppliers the company is required to use the Government " Paraskos said. "The Defense Systems Co.," he added, "is diligently working to correct these supplier problems."

"BEI's Fiscal 1990 results were also adversely impacted by the establishment of a reserve to cover the anticipated settlement of claims stemming from a government investigation of BEI Defense Systems Co. that originated with a present and a former employee of Defense Systems." Paraskos further stated that, "the company believes the reserve established is sufficient to achieve a settlement of those claims."

"BEI ended fiscal year 1990 with a record backlog of over $131 million," Paraskos noted, "and should have a good base for solid performance during fiscal 1991."

"Looking to the future, the two acquisitions which were completed during fiscal year 1990 provide BEI with promising new technologies for growth and business diversification opportunities, including commercial and industrial applications, and the ability to achieve product and marketing synergies and increased productivity through economies of scale," Paraskos said.

BEI Electronics designs, manufactures and markets electronics, ordnance, motion control systems and components, precision accelerometers, rate sensors and inertial measurement systems, pressure transducers and fluid handling products for use in military, commercial, industrial and aerospace applications. The company has major operations in California, Arkansas, Texas and Massachusetts.

BEI ELECTRONICS, INC.

	Quarter Ended Sept. 29	
	1990	1989
Net Sales	$34,289,000	$23,488,000
Income before income taxes	3,031,000	3,787,000
Net Income	1,898,000	2,355,000
Earnings per share	$0.28	$0.35
No. of shares used in computation	6,663,000	6,660,000

	Fiscal Year Ended Sept. 29	
	1990	1989
Net Sales	$93,438,000	$73,039,000
Income before income taxes	10,861,000	11,122,000
Net income	6,773,000	6,920,000
Earnings per share	$1.00	$1.30
No. of shares used in computation	6,801,000	5,332,000

CONTACT: Lawrence W. Parrish of BEI Electronics, 415-956-4477

-30- 4424

#90319p7687 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - United States Banknote Corporation (AMEX: UBK) today reported net income for the third quarter (ended Sept. 30) of $239,000, compared to a loss of $190,000 for the third quarter of 1989. When adjusted for preferred stock dividends, the company ended with a net loss of 3 cents per share versus a net loss of 4 cents per share for the 1989 quarter. Revenues for the third quarter were $33.5 million compared to $13.3 million for 1989s comparable period.

Results for 1990 reflect the merger of International Banknote Company, Inc., with U.S. Banknote Company L.P. Results for 1989, which are operating results for U.S. Banknote Company L.P., have not been adjusted. The combined company is the largest private printer of stamps, banknotes, travelers checks, food stamps and stock certificates in the United States. Revenues for the year ended Dec. 31 are expected to be in excess of $125 million.

Net income for the first nine months of this year was $4.2 million compared to a net loss of $162,000 for the equivalent 1989 period. On a per-share basis, the company reported a nine-month net profit -- again, reflecting preferred-stock dividend adjustments -- of 62 cents for 1990, versus a net loss of 3 cents for the 1989 period.

United States Banknote specializes in a type of printing called "security" printing. Security printers use a type of engraving called intaglio, which is used in the production of stock certificates, currency, travelers checks and other documents of value. The company is also the world leader in holography, producing all of the 3-dimensional holograms used in the Visa, MasterCard and Euro-Card credit cards.

During the third quarter, the company realized $6.5 million from the auction of a portion of proofs of postage stamps as well as banknotes dating back to 1810. The proceeds were used to prepay bank debt of $2 million maturing on Dec. 31, 1990, and $4.5 million maturing on Dec. 31, 1991. "One of the primary elements of our business plan is to reduce our merger debt as rapidly

as possible," said Weissman. An auction of banknote proofs is scheduled at Christie's for Nov. 28, 1990, with others planned in 1991 and 1992.

CONTACT: Morris Weissman of U.S. Banknote, 212-741-8500, or Gregory Miller, 212-484-7712, for U.S. Banknote

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#90319p7689 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURG, TEXAS (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Pilgrim's Pride Corp. (NYSE: CHX), an East-Texas based chicken firm, today reported record net sales of $720.6 million for the fiscal year ended Sept. 29, 1990, an increase of 9.0 percent over net sales of $661.1 million for the previous year. Net income for the year totaled $15.6 million, or 69 cents per share, compared with net income of $20.3 million or 90 cents per share for fiscal 1989.

For the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, the company reported net sales of $191.3 million, an increase of 8.1 percent over net sales of $177.0 million for the comparable period in 1989. Net income for the quarter totaled $3.6 million, or 16 cents per share, compared with net income of $4.2 million, or 19 cents per share for the same period last year. Net income for the quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 29, 1990 includes a benefit of $2.1 million resulting from the company's reversal of deferred income taxes previously provided on undistributed earnings of the company's Mexican subsidiaries.

According to Lonnie A. "Bo" Pilgrim, chairman and chief executive officer, "The company's historic growth and improved performance in the prepared foods-further processing operation generated the record production volumes and revenues this year. Lower earnings were caused by lower poultry prices offset by improved earnings from the company's prepared foods-further processing operation. Our emphasis for the next two years will be fine-tuning our operations to maximize profits."

Pilgrim's Pride Corporation is the fifth largest producer of poultry products and the 18th largest egg producer in the United States, producing more than 1 billion pounds of dressed poultry and 41 million dozen table eggs annually. Pilgrim's Pride employs more than 10,000 persons internationally and operates processing plants, distribution centers, hatcheries and feed mills in Texas, Arkansas, Arizona, Oklahoma, and Mexico.

Products are sold under the "Pilgrim's Pride" label to supermarkets, fast food chains and food service customers. The company's primary distribution is through retailers and fast food outlets in Central, Southwestern and Western United States and through the food service industry nationally.

CONTACT: Cliff Butler of Pilgrim's Pride Corp., 903-856-7901

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#90319p7692 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - National Asset Bank (a bank in liquidation) (NASDAQ: NABK) today announced its results of operations for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the bank recorded net decreases in net assets of approximately $906,000 and $5 million, respectively compared to net decreases in net assets of approximately $10 million and $26.8 million for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, respectively. The decrease in net assets in the nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 included liquidating distributions of approximately $6.2 million and $12.4 million, respectively. As of Sept. 30, 1990, the net assets of the bank totaled approximately $58 million, or $1.40 per share of common stock, compared to approximately $63 million, or $1.52 per share, as of Dec. 31, 1989.

Net expense from the liquidation of assets of the bank for the three month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, were approximately $595,000 and $3.8 million, respectively. The liquidation of assets for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, resulted in net income of approximately $2 million compared to a net expense of approximately $14.1 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Included in income for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, was a net unrealized gain of approximately $3.3 million that was due to a one-time nonrecurring increase in the fair value of the bank's assets from the elimination of the 12-1/2 percent management and servicing fee previously payable to First Interstate Bank of Texas N.A. (FI) under a management and servicing agreement (the "management agreement") with such entity that was terminated in April 1990.

The termination of the management agreement has reduced the overall administrative costs of collections of the bank as a percentage of total collections. Although there can be no assurances with respect to such matters the bank currently anticipates that the additional costs that are expected to be incurred by it in the management and servicing of its own assets should be less than the 12-1/2 percent management fee that was previously payable to FI under the management agreement.

For the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the bank had cash receipts of approximately $1.2 million and $12.7 million, respectively, compared to cash receipts of approximately $6.3 million and $18.5 million for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, respectively.

CONTACT: Michael A. Hrebenar, or Richard A. Durham, both of National Asset Bank, 713-952-6800

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#90319p7702 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - PLM Equipment Growth Fund II, a California limited partnership, today announced plans to begin trading on the American Stock Exchange. PLM Equipment Growth Fund II is a $150 million income-oriented limited partnership formed in March, 1987 to acquire, manage and lease a diversified portfolio of used transportation equipment including aircraft, railcars, marine vessels, containers and trailers.

The Fund is expected to begin trading on the American Stock Exchange on Nov. 20, 1990, under the trade symbol GFY. The Fund has 7,499,555 outstanding depositary units. PLM Financial Services Inc., a subsidiary of PLM International, is the General Partner for PLM Equipment Growth Fund II.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the Fund reported revenues of $11 million compared to $9.8 million for the like quarter in 1989. Cash flow per depositary unit was 73 cents for the third quarter and cash distribution payable per depositary unit was 55 cents. Cash flow from operations, based on the original equity invested, was approximately $3.13 per unit for the past four quarters, or 16 percent, of which $2.13 per unit, or 10.7 percent was distributed to limited partners.

San Francisco-based PLM International is an equipment leasing company engaged in the leasing and management of transportation equipment and in operating leases domestically and internationally, as well as the syndication of capital equipment leasing investments. The company operates and manages over $1.3 billion of transportation equipment and related assets for its account and various investment partnerships and third party accounts.

CONTACT: Valerie Carattini-Cooke of PLM International, 415-544-8227

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#90319p7704 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Roman Corporation Limited today announced a restated loss of $48,930,000 or $4.94 per share, for the six months ended June 30, 1990, to reflect the restated results of Standard Trustco Limited.

Roman Corporation's originally stated first-half results showed a loss of $24,437,000 or $2.47 per share, which was due primarily to a write-down by Denison Mines Limited of its Italian oil and gas properties.

As at June 30, 1990, Roman Corporation owned 44.6 percent of the outstanding shares in Standard Trustco, which restated its results following a mid-term audit.

Helen Roman-Barber, Roman Corporation's chairman and chief executive officer,

said that "with this process behind us, we plan to rebuild Standard Trustco on its solid foundation of retail branches across Canada."

She said that "Standard will continue to provide depositors with the high quality of service that has made it one of the country's leading trust companies."

CONTACT: Ed Shiller of Roman Corporation, 416-496-2243 or 416-865-1991

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#90319p7705 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDEN, Colo. (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Coors Brewing Co. is bringing holiday cheer to the U.S. military troops in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf by donating 500 Coors frisbees, 200 Coors footballs and thousands of items contributed by employees.

The items are being sent as part of the "Coors Holiday Care Package," which will be sent overseas Nov. 19 for distribution to servicemen and women who haven't been getting mail from the United States.

Items were collected Nov. 5 through Nov. 15 at locations throughout the company's Golden facilities. Sunglasses, hats, books, magazines, cards, puzzles and board games are among the items employees have donated.

Coors contributions will be identified by red "Happy Holidays, Coors Holiday Care Package," stickers.

NOTE: A wrapping party will be held at noon on Friday, Nov. 16 at Coors. Media are invited to attend. Contact Todd Appleman for directions at 303-277-5313.

CONTACT: Todd Appleman or Sheryl Barto, both of Adolph Coors Co., 303-277-5313

-30- 1195

#90319p7713 11/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Pacific Corp. (NYSE: SPC) announced today that its acquisition of Valencia-based Santa Clarita National Bank is complete.

SPC issued 1.75 million shares of common stock at an exhange ratio of 3.309 for each share of SCNB stock.

Security Pacific announced its intention to acquire Santa Clarita National Bank in March 1990 as part of its plan to expand its presence in the Santa Clarita and San Fernando Valley areas of Los Angeles County.

Security Pacific Corp. is the fifth largest bank holding company in the United States, with over $88 billion in assets. Its principal subsidiary, Security Pacific National Bank, is California's second largest bank with more than 650 banking offices and 1,200 automated teller machines.

CONTACT: Adrian Rodriguez, 213-345-5117, or Debbie Lewis, 213-345-5504

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#90319u0007 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - Saudi and U.S. forces began a joint military exercise Thursday deemed non-provacative but dubbed "Imminent Thunder," maneuvers in the Persian Gulf region that will be a major test for land, air, and sea units.

Scheduled to end the day President Bush arrives in the Red Sea town of Jeddah for a Thanksgiving Day visit with U.S. forces, the exercise will include a mock amphibious assualt about 100 miles south of Kuwait and a link up of Marines and Saudi troops about 25 miles from the border.

The exercise will include Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps units along with Saudi Air Force, navy and marine units. Nearly all Air Force units in the region will have some role in the exercise.

The Pentagon did not specify the size of the U.S. military force involved and left it to Saudi Arabian officials to disclose their own participation levels. But officials said 1,000 Marines and 1,100 U.S. aircraft will participate as will 16 Navy ships.

Defense sources said the most foward unit was a small Marine combat group equipped with tanks. It will work a little more than 25 miles south of the Kuwati border with a Saudi unit to make sure that allied forces successfully linkup and operate together.

Described by Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams as the "most comprehensive, most ambitious" exercise so far in Saudi Arabia, the operation will feature an amphibious landing roughly near the town of Jubail, a port and industrial facility on the gulf coast.

Pentagon officials would not discuss intelligence aspects of the operation, but it is believed that electronic eavesdroppers would watch for the Iraqi reaction to the exercise. U.S. and Saudi units will also work to test their command, control and communication abilities. Iraqis in Kuwait were expected to be straining to learn what they could of the operation.

The amphibious exercise was the third to be conducted by Marines in the region. Two previous operations have taken place on beaches outside the gulf in Oman.

Williams said the operation "is not necessarily to bring all of this stuff to one place. For example, the Army's participation in this exercise will be largely a command post exercise. There will be no Army troops involved. One of the reasons you do this is to test your command and control and communications systems."

He said air support would not all fly in one area at one time but "will all be trying to communicate in a vary coordinated way so it will test in a very strict way their ability to command, control and coordinate all of these various air assets. ... The whole network will be connected up."

While the exercise was billed as a way to improve amphibious warfare skills and to train in joint and combined operations, it appeared to carry a warning to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Asked if the intent was to deliver a message to Saddam, whose troops overran Kuwait Aug. 2 and so far has ignored ten United Nations resolutions to withdraw, Williams said, "I will let people in the region draw their own conclusions from it."

The Marine unit taking part in the amphibious assaulat is part of the 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade, and the land-based unit that will link up with a Saudi force is part of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade. Air Force F-15s form the 1st Tactical Fighter Wing, stealth fighters form the 37th TFW, A-10 tank-killer jets from the 23rd and 354th TFWs, AWACs radar command and control planes from the 552nd wing and tankers will also participate.

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#90319u0045 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 15) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in light trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Lower in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Dollar - Slightly higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Slightly higher.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed down 3/4 to 2 3/4, soybeans up 1/2 to 4 1/4, wheat down 4 to 7 3/4 and oats up 1 3/4 to 2 3/4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90319u0050 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - The Republican National Committee laid off about 25 percent of its workforce Thursday in a post-election "restructuring."

In a brief statement, the committee said the roughly 75 cutbacks were part of "organizational changes to gear down from a midterm election and gear up for the 1992 cycle." It said the reduction was the same as one the committee had in 1987, following the last midterm election.

The RNC has about 300 full-time employees. In addition, an unspecified number of part-time employees reportedly were being cut. Mary Matalin, chief of staff for the RNC, said the laid-off employees would be paid through the end of the year. Party officials denied that the cutbacks were related to the GOP's performance in last week's election.

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#90319u0051 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 15) UPI - The shuttle Atlantis turned night into day as it lifted off from Cape Canaveral tonight. Atlantis and its five-man military crew took off from the Kennedy Space Center under a cloak of secrecy and four months behind schedule.

C-N-N says the F-B-I confiscated what it calls ''confidential information'' gathered as part of a network story on Manuel Noriega . The documents involved government taping of conversations by Panama's deposed ruler in a Miami jail.

A federal judge in Washington, D-C, today sentenced a Cuban-American man to 12 years in prison for plotting to assassinate former Chilean diplomat Orlando Letelier. The diplomat was killed by a car bomb in 1976.

United Airlines will get most of Pan American World Airways' U-S- London routes in a 400-MILLION-dollar deal outlined by Pan Am today. The pact

formalizes an agreement in principle reached between the carriers last month.

Columbia Savings and Loan Association says it has filed suit against Drexel Burnham Lambert, which sold the junk bonds that led to the S-and- L's insolvency. The S-and-L filed suit against the investment firm yesterday in New York.

Donald Trump and holders of bonds for his Taj Mahal casino are talking into the night in New York... with a default deadline less than an hour away and bankruptcy looming. It is considered unlikely that Trump will be able to make a 47-Million-dollar interest payment due at midnight.

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#90319u0053 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 15) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $52 to $64 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.90 cent to 2.30 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.10 to 2.80 cents a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.16 cent higher to 0.14 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.40 to $1.50 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $1.30 to $1.80 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 3.30 cents to 5.00 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 5.8 to 7.1 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.010 to 0.014 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90319u0057 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.80

60 to 89 days 7.90

90 to 119 days 7.71

120 to 149 days 7.63

150 to 179 days 7.56

180 to 270 days 7.47

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.83 - 7.67

Issuers 30 days 7.62

Issuers 90 days 7.76

Issuers 270 days 7.43

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.83

60 to 89 days 8.03

90 to 119 days 7.94

120 to 149 days 7.87

150 to 179 days 7.87

180 days 7.85

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

1 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

3 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

6 month 7.875 - 8.00

Year 7.875 - 8.00

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.10 - 7.08

6 months 7.05 - 7.03

Year 6.87 - 6.85

Federal Funds: High 8 1/8, Low 7 7/8, Close 8 1/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7.687 off 0.172.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90319u0073 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - President Bush, fulfilling a campaign pledge to clear America's polluted skies, signed a historic clean air bill Thursday that will require deep and costly cuts in urban smog, acid rain, toxic hazards and ozone depletion.

As he placed his signature on the legislation, a difficult compromise between economic and environmental interests that will touch virtually every major industry, Bush called it "truly a red letter day for all Americans" concerned about cleaner air.

"This bill means ... a cleaner America," he declared before an array of administration, congressional and industry and environmental officials who helped make the signing possible.

"Virtually every person in every city and every town will enjoy its benefits," Bush said. "It is simply the most significant air pollution legislation in our nation's history and it restores America's place as the global leader in environmental protection."

The bill largely follows the outlines of the clean air plan Bush sent to Capitol Hill last June - an initiative cited as the key factor in breaking the 13-year stalemate in Congress over strengthening and updating the 1977 Clean Air Act.

Approved 89-10 by the Senate and 401-25 by the House last month, the new law will tighten pollution controls over the next two decades at a vast array of industrial and commercial facilities, ranging from steel mills to power plants to the corner dry cleaner and gasoline station.

It also forces car makers to build less-polluting automobiles and the oil industry to make cleaner-burning "reformulated" gasoline, a double whammy expected to raise the cost of driving.

In signing the bill despite warnings that it will cost thousands of jobs and accelerate the nation's economic downturn, Bush pointed to the thickening air pollution that is exacting an even more fearsome toll in disease and premature death for an estimated 50,000 Americans a year.

"We all had tough choices to make," he said. "Some said we went too far and others said we didn't go far enough. But despite our differences, we all

agreed on the goal: clean air for all Americans. And we agreed on the means: a new Clean Air Act."

Environmental organizations and businesses continued to debate the merits of the bill as Bush signed it into law.

"While business supports the act's clean air objectives, its costs to American consumers and workers cannot be sugar coated," said William Fay, administrator of the Clean Air Working Group, a coalition of 2,000 businesses.

But Jay Hair, president of the National Wildlife Federation, said: "We greet this long overdue initiative with a sense of pride in the environmental community and in the people of this country who have declared their inalienable right to clean air."

Bush's support for tougher clean air laws was a major break with President Ronald Reagan, who steadfastly opposed such legislation. The final bill emerged from 15 months of tortuous congressional deliberations marked by intense regional conflicts - especially over acid rain - and a titanic lobbying war between industry and environmental groups over how far and fast the nation should go in reducing pollution.

The legislation, which is slightly tougher and more expensive than Bush had proposed, seeks by the turn of the century to:

-Halve sulfur dioxide emissions from 111 coal-burning power plants in the Midwest, Southeast and Appalachia that have been identified as the major cause of acid rain damaging lakes, streams, forests and buildings in the Northeast and Canada. It is the first U.S. effort to combat acid rain.

-Achieve a 75 percent cut in 189 toxic or cancer-causing chemicals now routinely emitted by 250 different industrial sectors, including garbage, hospital and toxic waste incinerators. The bill gives new teeth to the previously ineffectual federal program to cut the 2.4 billion pounds of deadly air pollutants discharged by industry each year.

-Eliminate chlorofluorocarbons and three other widely used industrial substances that erode Earth's protective ozone layer. The phaseout schedule is slightly more aggressive than that required under an international treaty to protect Earth's ozone layer.

-Clean up most of the 96 cities where smog now exceeds federal health limits. The dirtiest nine of the 96 would have slightly longer to come into compliance with Los Angeles, the nation's smoggiest city, having until 2010. The bill tightens emission limits on big factories and extends controls to smaller facilities such as gasoline stations and print shops in the most polluted areas. It also counts on reduced smog- forming and carbon monoxide emissions from cars.

Administration officials say that when fully implemented in 2005 the bill is expected to cost $25 billion a year. Industry officials put the cost at $51 billion annually. Currently Americans spend $32 billion a year on clean air.

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#90319u0081 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (NOV. 15) UPI - Toys modeled after the sewer-dwelling Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles and incorrigible cartoon character Bart Simpson may top your child's holiday wish list, but they could also lead to serious injury, a consumer advocate warned Thursday.

Attorney Edward Swartz released his 19th annual list of "ten worst toys," cautioning parents that some of the most popular toys on Christmas and Hanukkah lists "have the potential to kill or injure" children, who already suffer an estimated 600,000 toy-related injuries each year. The ten "worst" toys are:

- "Batman Batmobile" by Toy Biz Inc., comes equipped with hidden rocket launchers that fire two concealed plastic play rockets. A child could be injured falling on the Batmobile's plastic fins, Swartz said.

- "Assorted Small Wooden Toys" by L'Arbre A Jouer, distributed in the United States by FAO Schwartz, contains several small parts that children could choke on, he said.

- "Kaboom the Balloon Busting Game" by Just Toys Inc., contains contradictory instructions which increase the risk of a serious eye injury or choking.

- "The Real Ghostbusters' Ecto-Goggles" and "Ecto-Popper" by Kenner uses air pressure to discharge four soft foam pops, but could be used to fire other objects, Swartz said. The toy is particularly inappropriate because eyes should not be the focus for playthings, he said.

- "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Pizza Thrower," by Playmates Toys Inc. rotates 180 degrees and adjusts for high or low trajectory blasts, but the temptation to shoot the pizza discs at people or animals may prove too tempting for children, Swartz said.

- "Crazy Hammer" and "Crazy Axe" distributed by Fine World International Trading Corp. are both heavy and hard enough to cause serious injury, he said.

- "Bart Simpson's Hang Arounds" by Spectra Star, a 13-inch lightweight nylon doll is recommended for hanging from bicycle handlebars, where it could easily become entangled in the bike parts and cause an accident, Swartz said.

- "Voice Changer Megaphone" by Boxer and distributed by Fine World

International Trading Corp., a battery-operated play megaphone amplifier, could lead to serious hearing impairment if played too close a child's ears, Swartz said.

- "Honey Pot Bear Stuffed Animal," a Nisbet bear made in England by Tide-Ridder Inc. comes with what Swartz condemned as an unnecessarily heavy crockery pot strung on a removable loop around the bear's neck. Children could also easily remove the bear's bow tie and its tight, sturdy elastic band.

- (tie) "MP5K Crossbow Target Game Set," Chap Mei item No. 7837, is propelled by a rubber band that could snap and cause an eye injury, and its darts have removable plastic tips.

- (tie) "Motorized Attack Force Weapon Set" by Esquire/Nichols, which Swartz described as a "little international terrorist kit" includes a knife, replica pistol and machine cap gun, which could cause hearing loss, eye injury or other accidents, and be mistaken for the real thing.

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#90319u0086 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 15) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.55 1/2	2.56 1/4	2.47	2.47 1/2	2.55 1/4
Mar	2.71	2.71 1/4	2.64 1/2	2.65	2.70 1/2
May	2.78	2.79	2.73	2.73	2.78 1/4
Jly	2.83 1/2	2.83 3/4	2.78 1/2	2.79	2.83 1/4
Sep	2.87 1/2	2.87 3/4	2.85	2.85	2.90
Dec	3.00 1/2	3.00 1/2	2.96 1/2	2.97	3.01 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.24 3/4	2.25	2.21 3/4	2.22	2.24
Mar	2.34	2.34 1/4	2.31 1/2	2.32	2.34 1/2
May	2.41	2.41 1/2	2.38 1/4	2.38 1/2	2.41 1/4
Jly	2.47 1/4	2.47 1/4	2.44 1/4	2.44 1/2	2.46 3/4
Sep	2.46	2.46 1/2	2.45	2.45	2.45 3/4
Dec	2.47	2.47 1/4	2.45 1/4	2.45 1/2	2.47 1/4
Mar	2.52 1/2	2.52 1/2	2.52	2.52	2.53 1/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.07 3/4	1.10 1/4	1.07 1/2	1.09 3/4	1.07 3/4
Mar	1.19 1/4	1.21 1/2	1.18 1/2	1.21 1/4	1.18 1/2
May	1.26	1.28	1.25 1/4	1.27 3/4	1.25 1/2
Jly	1.31 3/4	1.33 1/2	1.31	1.33 1/4	1.31 1/4

Sep	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.37 1/4
Dec	1.46 1/2	1.46 1/2	1.46 1/2	1.46 1/2	1.44 1/4

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Nov	5.55 1/2	5.60 1/4	5.55	5.58 1/2	5.54 1/4
Jan	5.67 1/2	5.72	5.66 1/4	5.70 1/4	5.66 1/2
Mar	5.81 1/2	5.86	5.80	5.84 1/4	5.80 1/2
May	5.94 1/2	5.99 1/2	5.94 1/4	5.97 3/4	5.94
Jly	6.07	6.11 1/4	6.05 3/4	6.09 1/4	6.05 3/4
Aug	6.11 1/2	6.13 1/2	6.09 3/4	6.12 3/4	6.08 3/4
Sep	6.04	6.06 1/2	6.03 1/2	6.03 1/2	6.01 1/2
Nov	6.06 1/2	6.09 1/2	6.05 3/4	6.06	6.05 1/2
Jan	....	....	....	6.16 1/2	6.16

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	20.17	20.45	20.15	20.41	20.09
Jan	20.45	20.73	20.45	20.69	20.35
Mar	20.89	21.15	20.82	21.11	20.77
May	21.30	21.52	21.18	21.50	21.19
Jul	21.55	21.77	21.45	21.77	21.46
Aug	21.55	21.80	21.45	21.72	21.30
Sep	21.50	21.75	21.45	21.72	21.30
Oct	21.45	21.75	21.45	21.75	21.32
Dec	21.55	21.75	21.55	21.75	21.30
Jan	....	....	....	21.65	21.31

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	169.80	171.30	169.40	170.40	169.80
Jan	173.00	174.00	172.00	172.60	172.70
Mar	177.20	178.30	176.20	176.40	176.80
May	179.50	180.80	179.00	179.00	179.60
Jul	183.20	183.60	181.80	181.90	182.90
Aug	185.00	185.00	182.50	182.70	183.50
Sep	184.00	184.60	182.50	182.50	183.00
Oct	184.00	184.10	181.20	181.20	182.50
Dec	184.00	184.50	182.50	182.70	184.00
Jan	184.00	184.00	184.00	184.00	184.50

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CHICAGO (NOV. 15) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.27 1/2-2.37 1/2 off 7 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.56 1/4- 5.61 1/2 up 4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.14-2.23 off 2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.25-2.29 1/2 off 2 to 1.

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#90319u0110 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	65 7-8	up 1-4
AT&T Company	33 1-8	off 5-8
BCE Inc	34	unch
Bell Atlantic	52 1-4	off 1
BellSouth Corp	52 1-2	off 5-8
Exxon Corp	49 7-8	off 3-8
Ford Motor Co	28 1-4	off 1 1-4
Genl Electric	55	off 1-4
General Motors	39 1-4	off 5-8
GTE Corp	28 3-4	off 1-8
IBM Corp	112 1-2	off 1
Mobil Oil Corp	57 3-8	off 1-4
Nynex Corp	71 1-8	off 1-4
Pac Gas & Elec	23 3-4	off 3-8
Pacific Telesis	45 1-4	off 1
Phila Electric	16 1-4	off 1-4
Sears Roebuck	26	off 1-2
Southern Co	26	unch
Sthwestern Bell	53 1-8	up 1-8
US West Inc	36 1-4	off 5-8

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#90319u0114 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - David Hampton, whose arrest after posing as actor Sydney Poitier's son inspired the Broadway hit "Six Degrees of Separation," was arrested again on charges he used a toy gun to beat a taxi fare, court papers revealed Thursday.

The 26-year-old man was arrested Oct. 10 on the Upper East Side, the same neighborhood where he stole money from wealthy Manhattanites by convincing them he was Poitier's son, had become a college chum of their children and needed to borrow a few dollars.

Hampton, who told police he lives at the exclusive address of 820 Fifth Ave., served 21 months for second-degree attempted burglary in the 1983 case. The incident inspired playwright John Guare to write the current hit play "Six

Degrees of Separation," showing at the Vivian Beaumont Theater at Lincoln Centre.

In a police complaint filed in the most recent case, Hampton is accused of exiting a taxi at 92nd Street and Lexington Avenue after refusing to pay the fare.

He then pulled out "what appeared to be a small black handgun, pointed it directly at the cabbie through the open driver's window and said, 'Don't move "' said a Manhattan Criminal Court complaint. A witness quickly called 911 and reported seeing a man with a gun.

Police officers nearby responded to the call and apprehended a fleeing Hampton at 86th Street and Lexington Avenue. He was arrested on misdemeanor charges of menacing, theft of services and criminal possession of a weapon in the fourth degree.

Ever since the Broadway play inspired by his masquerade opened, Hampton has haunted its creators, demanding "some sort of acknowledgement." Several months ago, he crashed a Tavern on the Green party celebrating the production's success and demanded to speak with Guare and producer Bernard Gersten. He was asked to leave and he did so. Poitier has six daughters but no sons.

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#90319u0128 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1027.6
Wednesday	1032.7
Week ago	1034.2
Month ago	1054.0
Year ago	1096.4
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1025.5

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#90319u0145 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Thursday	2545.05	off	14.60	867.97	off	9.62	207.43	off	1.32
Wednesday	2559.65	up	24.25	877.59	up	9.80	208.75	off	0.32
Week ago	2443.81	up	2.97	827.66	up	5.18	209.13	up	0.06
Month ago	2452.72	up	64.85	856.88	up	34.95	208.31	up	0.82

Year ago	2635.66	up	3.08	1197.72	off	7.47	222.40	up 0.82
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23	
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96	
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98	
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84	

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#90319u0151 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (NOV. 15) UPI - Leaders of its Eastern Airlines' unions said Thursday that the carrier's reprieve in bankruptcy court has bought it a little more flying time but they doubt it will be enough to keep the airline alive. "I think it's just prolonging the agony. It's like a death watch going on," said Charles Bryan, president of the International Association of Machinists.

The airline won a reprieve from liquidation late Wednesday when federal bankuptcy Judge Burton Lifland said it could withdraw $15 million from an escrow fund to meet operating expenses. The judge said another $15 million could be withdrawn Dec. 3 if the airline meets operating projections.

E.J. Breen, a spokesman for Eastern's division of the Air Line Pilots Association, said the first $15 million was already spoken for to pay travel agents' commissions on tickets and to meet the Nov. 15 payroll. "That money is all gone," Breen said. "I think they're going to get two weeks out of it and then probably shut it down.

"They've lost $1.6 billion since March 4, 1989, and they were in bad shape before that. They need a major financial infusion and there's nobody out there who's going to give it to them.

"My feeling is that the body is still twitching but the plug has been pulled and Judge Lifland was not in the mood to sign a death certificate last night."

Unsecured creditors wanted Eastern liquidated immediately because it has failed to meet financial projections since court-appointed trustee Martin Shugrue took over in April. Shugrue argued that the carrier had a "reasonable prospect" of reaching self-sufficiency by February or March.

Lifland said he had heard no credible argument for liquidation and that there was a major public interest in preserving Eastern's 18,000 jobs and maintaining competition in the airline industry.

But the judge agreed that under bankruptcy proceedings, Eastern's assets belonged to the creditors. Eastern has been operating under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection since March 9, 1989.

Shugrue, in a statement distributed to employees Thursday, said he was confident the airline would survive. He called the action of the creditors'

committee "reckless and shameful" and said it could discourage passengers from booking Eastern.

"They have set back our efforts. Ironically, their actions could cause Eastern Airlines to spend more funds from escrow accounts than would otherwise have been needed," he said.

Shugrue said in court that the airline expected losses of $134 million between October and March 1991. The losses could mount to $163 million under a worst-case scenerio, he said. He added that if the airline was liquidated today, the unsecured creditors could expect only about $40 million, or two cents on the dollar.

"It's a shame he (the judge) is allowing more money to be poured down into this thing and lost," Bryan said. Bryan said Lifland appears to be looking after the interest of holiday passengers. "That's not what his job is. His job is to decide what's best for the estate. The unsecured creditors are the owners of Eastern. We (the employees) are one of the biggest unsecured creditors. It will further reduce our claim."

The airline owes employees for unused vacation time, deferred holiday pay and for claims that are legally unresolved, Bryan said. He predicted the airline would lose much more than Shugrue expected.

"It was a million dollars a day last summer when load factors were 60, 70 percent," he said. "Fuel costs have gone up. Load factors have gone down. They've got to be losing $2 million or $3 million a day." Eastern said its load factor for October was 55.02 percent.

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#90319u0152 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (NOV. 15) UPI - The shuttle Atlantis's crew strapped aboard for a sky-lighting nighttime takeoff Thursday to carry a Pentagon spy satellite into orbit in the seventh and last top-secret shuttle mission.

Ending an era of clandestine shuttle operations, Atlantis and its five-man crew were scheduled to thunder away from the Kennedy Space Center shortly before 7 p.m. EST, sources said, four months behind schedule because of an elusive hydrogen fuel leak that grounded the ship in July.

With the shuttle fueled and ready for takeoff, the only question mark was the weather, with forcasters calling for a 60 percent chance of high winds or rain that could force a delay. Earlier, engineers fixed a balky shuttle cooling system at the launch pad to keep the ship on track for liftoff.

Commander Richard Covey, 44, an Air Force colonel, and Navy Cmdr. Frank Culbertson, 41, the co-pilot, Army Maj. Charles Gemar, 35, Air Force Lt. Col.

Carl Meade, 39, and Marine Corps Col. Robert Springer, 48, began strapping in aboard Atlantis shortly after 4 p.m.

The flight marks the seventh and last fully classified Department of Defense shuttle mission currently planned by NASA and the Defense Department. Two more Air Force shuttle missions are planned next year, but the payloads of both have been declassified, a move that will eliminate the need for elaborate security procedures at NASA and save the Air Force $80 million a year, according to a Pentagon source who asked not to be named.

The goal of Atlantis's flight is still classified, but the shuttle was thought to be carrying a spy satellite that may be used to support Desert Shield operations in the Persian Gulf region after the spacecraft is checked out, a procedure that typically takes a month or more.

Reporters and outside space experts, drawing on a variety of sources, speculated before launch that Atlantis's payload was either a photo-reconnaissance satellite or an electronic eavesdropping spy station capable of intercepting military communications.

While details about the satellite could not be immediately confirmed, NASA Administrator Richard Truly said last month Atlantis was scheduled "to fly a crucial, particularly these days crucial, national security mission," strongly hinting the payload will be used in the Iraqi crisis in some fashion.

Atlantis's landing date will not be revealed until 24 hours before touchdown at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. But sources who requested anonymity said the mission is scheduled to last three days, 23 hours and 55 minutes.

Symbolically, the end of classified shuttle operations reflects a Pentagon shift away from NASA's manned spaceplane in favor of unmanned rockets like a $173 million Titan 4 launched Monday that successfully boosted a military satellite into orbit.

By relying on fleets of Titan 4s, Delta 2s and Atlas 2 rockets, the Air Force will be relatively immune to the long launch delays that would be associated with the loss of another shuttle because of active production lines supplying a steady stream of launchers for Defense Department use.

Col. Frank Stirling, Titan program manager, said the United States' ability to launch high-priority payloads, crippled by the Challenger disaster, has been restored and that the Defense Department now has independent access to space.

"We have made a phenomenal recovery over the past several years with not only the Titan 4 program but also the medium launch vehicles, the Delta and Atlas programs, which have contributed considerably to our nation's restoration of space access," he said after the Titan launch Monday.

"There is not the same concern about putting all of our eggs in one basket. The concern the DOD had with the space shuttle program is that we had a four-orbiter fleet with no follow-on production or industrial base capability to provide any additional orbiters should we lose one or damage one.

With the Titan 4 program, however, "we have a continuing production line," Stirling said. "In that sense, a loss of one vehicle, as was the case with the shuttle, would not be the same situation with the Titan," he said. "Should we ever have a problem with a vehicle, we would still be able to recover and continue operations."

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#90319u0160 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Thursday - $37,060,000

1990 to date - $9,718,773,000

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(NOV. 15) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock Split				
E'town Corp - 3-for-2				
Distribution				
Columbian Energy LP	..	.05	12-31	11-30
Increased				
Alco Standard	Q	.22	12-10	11-26
Campbell Soup Co	Q	.29	1-31	1-9
Dresser Industries	Q	.15	12-20	12-3
E'town Corp	Q	.75	12-21	12-7
Florida Progress Corp	Q	.68 1/2	12-20	12-5
Natl Commerce Bncrp	Q	.23	1-3	12-7
Special				
F&M Natl Corp	..	.01 1/2	12-28	11-28
Usual				
Air Products & Chem	Q	.36	2-11	1-4
Auto Data Processing	Q	.17 1/2	1-1	12-17
Beneficial Corp	Q	.60	12-31	12-3
Champion Intl Corp	Q	.27 1/2	1-8	12-17
Continental Corp	Q	.65	12-15	12-3

F&M Natl Corp	Q	.12 1/2	12-28	11-28
Fund American Co	Q	.17	12-19	11-28
Greyhound Dial Corp	Q	.35	1-2	11-30
Greyhound Lines Cda	Q	c-.30	12-28	12-7
Halliburton Co	Q	.25	12-19	11-28
McDermott Intl	Q	.25	1-1	12-14
Millipore Corp	Q	.11	1-25	12-31
MOCON Inc	Q	.04	2-15	2-1
New York Times cl-A	Q	.14	12-28	12-6
New York Times cl-B	Q	.14	12-28	12-6
Ogden Corp	Q	.31 1/4	1-4	12-14
Ohio Casualty Corp	Q	.58	12-10	12-1
PepsiCo Inc	Q	.10	1-1	12-14
Plains Petroleum	S	.08	12-31	12-14
PNC Financial Corp	Q	.53	1-2	12-7
Society Corp	Q	.44	12-14	11-27
Southwest Airlines	Q	.03 1/2	12-20	12-5
Sterling Bancorp	Q	.05	12-31	12-15
Tiffany & Co	Q	.07	1-10	12-20
Time Warner Inc	Q	.25	12-10	11-26

c-Canadian rate a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	74.15	74.55	74.02	74.15	73.99
Mar	73.70	73.95	73.35	73.44	73.58
May	74.00	74.10	73.70	73.70	73.80
Jly	74.20	74.40	73.95	73.95	74.02
Oct	67.76	68.00	67.76	67.81	67.76
Dec	65.57	65.75	65.51	65.51	65.51
Mar	66.20	....	....	66.28	66.30

Estimated sales: 5,500 contracts
Open interest: 55,870 off 104
The World spot average: 69.64

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#90319u0172 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 298.07, low 296.50, close 296.69, off 1.18.

There was a loss of 4 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,340,000 shares, compared with 11, 040,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	9
New Lows	28
Advances	239
Declines	306
Unchanged	222
Total Issues	767

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#90319u0173 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

SAN DIEGO (NOV. 15) UPI - A federal judge rejected a plea Thursday to free a Cuban counterintelligence agent who is attempting to defect to the United States but faces deportation on allegations he is a national security risk.

Juan Manual Rodriguez Camejo, who claims he is no longer working for the Cuban government, was hoping to be released on bail while he pursues political asylum.

But U.S. District Judge Judith Keep deferred ruling on Rodriguez's bid to be released until after the Board of Immigration Appeals rules on the matter. Both parties in the case will now submit briefs to the administrative board by Nov. 20 in Arlington, Va., court officials said. No hearing before the board has yet been set. The asylum appeal, meanwhile, could take more than a year to decide.

Rodriguez, 40, was jailed at the Metropolitan Correctional Center after he and his wife, Mimna Montes de Oca Aldavert, 30, and daughter, Paola, 6, were arrested while trying to cross the U.S.-Mexican border illegally with a group of Mexican Oct. 29.

His wife and child were released on $2,000 bail each and are now living with Rodriguez's father-in-law in Beverly Hills while they too fight deportation.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service refused to grant bail to Rodriguez on allegations he is still a Cuban agent and poses a threat to national security.

Rodriguez has admitted he was a counterintelligence officer in Cuba and helped break up a CIA spy ring in 1987 by working as a double agent. However, he insists he is disillusioned with the Castro regime and is a genuine defector.

He had previously attempted to defect by contacting American diplomats in West Germany and authorities at the San Ysidro Port of Entry near San Diego. Rodriguez's lawyers have said he should be granted asylum because he is

considered a traitor in Cuba.

Last week, an immigration judge agreed to set bail for Rodriuguez at $7,500, but the INS won a stay of the bail order from the Board of Immigration Appeals on Friday.

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#90319u0176 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks - 10,340,000 shares
1990 to date - 2,989,691,680
Bonds - $3,880,000
1990 to date - $652,968,000

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#90319u0180 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 15) UPI - The United States could boost its total deployment in the Persian Gulf to more than half a Million, if all reservists under a new order by the Pentagon are sent to the region. Defense Secretary Cheney Wednesday authorized the activation of up to 72-thousand-500 more reservists to support Operation Desert Shield.

An Oregon State University administrator reportedly has escaped from Kuwait, where he had been in hiding since Iraq invaded more than three months ago. Oregon State announced in a statement Wednesday that Ernest Briskey made his way to Jordan earlier this week and contacted U-S officials. He plans to fly home Friday.

Eastern Airlines has been saved from liquidation. A federal bankruptcy judge in Washington late Wednesday evening allowed the beleaguered carrier to take 30-Million dollars from an escrow fund to meet its operating expenses... despite arguments from Eastern's UNsecured creditors that the airline should be liquidated.

Government researchers are denying charges they deliberately withheld life-saving information from AIDS patients. The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases says it reported in June that adding steroids to standard drug treatment can cut in half the number of pneumonia deaths among AIDS patients.

The son of Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan Junior was jailed Wednesday in Alexandria, Virginia, on rape charges. Broadcast reports say Robert Lujan allegedly raped a woman early Sunday after she woke up and allegedly caught him burglarizing her suburban Washington, D-C, home. Police tracked him down by handing out composite sketches.

A jury in Livingston County, Missouri, has recommended the death penalty for a 69-year-old woman in the murders of four transient farm workers. The jury recommended life without parole on a fifth count. Faye Copeland was convicted on Saturday of five counts of first-degree murder. The victims' bodies were found last year buried in shallow graves or dumped in wells on farms in northwestern Missouri.

A Los Angeles man was sentenced to 25 years to life in prison Wednesday for poisoning his nine-year-old son with insecticides as part of a murder-suicide plan. 38-year-old Ronald Rennie pleaded guilty last month to first-degree murder. His son, Christopher, died during a 1988 Father's Day weekend visit to his father's townhouse.

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#90319u0182 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Eastern Airlines won a reprieve from liquidation Wednesday evening when a federal bankuptcy court allowed the beleaguered carrier to take more money from an escrow fund to meet its operating expenses.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Burton R. Lifland ruled that a total of $30 million could be withdrawn from the account in two increments of $15 million.

The first $15 million will be available immediately.

In his summation Lifland said the case was delicately balanced.

Lifland, who is overseeing Eastern Airlines' bankruptcy proceedings, heard arguments from unsecured creditors that Eastern should be liquidated immediately. But the company's court-appointed trustee said the carrier could be self-sufficient by early next year.

The judge issued his ruling at about 11:25 p.m. EST, after a marathon 8 1/2-hoursession in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in lower Manhattan.

''It is clear that there is a reasonable basis to come to the business judgment with respect to not liquidating the airline,'' Lifland said.

He added that he had heard no credible argument by the unsecured creditors committee that Eastern's assets should not be preserved on an ongoing business basis.

He said there was a major public interest at stake when considering liquidation. He cited Eastern's 18,000 jobs, the communities it serves and the ''danger of concentration'' that could occur if competition was lessened in the airline industry.

But he agreed with the creditors committee argument that, under bankruptcy

proceedings, Eastern's assets belonged to the creditors.

''Nevertheless, I am not at all certain that the creditors committee has exercised better business judgment than the trustee,'' he said, referring to the court-appointed bankruptcy trustee Martin R. Shugrue.

Shugrue appeared as a witness at the hearing on a motion by Eastern's unsecured creditors committee that the airline should be liquidated.

The motion, which was filed Tuesday, said Eastern had failed to meet financial projections since Shugrue took over in April.

The creditors said losses for June through October totaled $370.8 million, whereas Shugrue had projected red ink of $197.1 million.

The judge said the $30 million was ''not necessarily the harbinger of huge losses.''

Shugrue last week asked for another $30 million this month and $40 million in mid-December from the escrow fund, which was set up from Eastern's asset sales including Latin American routes and the Northeast-corridor shuttle. He said Miami-based Eastern was making gains in winning back business travelers but that the airline needed more money to keep operating.

Some $257 million for unsecured creditors remains in the escrow fund.

Eastern has been operating under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection since March 9, 1989.

Laymers for the creditors committee argued that fuel prices are unstable and could easily shoot up further if war broke out in the Middle East, invalidating Shugrue's projections.

''The trustees's plan is based on the premise of oil prices dropping and the competition twiddling its thumbs,'' said Joel Zweibel, lead attorney for the creditors.

Zweibel said liquidation now would leave at least some money to fund a shutdown.

If liquidation were delayed, Zweibel said, there is ''a very serious risk there will not be enough cash to fund a shutdown in an orderly fashion.'' He said an orderly shutdown would be possible now.

Zweibel also pointed out that the travel industry currently is in recession, with many carriers reporting significant declines in traffic.

Attorneys for Eastern countered that the airline now is meeting revenue

projections.

Shugrue said while projections had not been met in September or October, the airline was poised to exceed projections in November and December.

Responding to questions from trustee's attorney Derek Palmer, Shugrue said a total of $80 million would be needed from the escrow fund between now and January. In addition to the $30 million granted, he said Eastern would need $40 million Dec. 26 and another $10 million in ''very early January.''

He added the airline is replenishing the escrow account by selling additional assets, which would result in a balance of $317.8 million in the account at the end of February.

Shugrue said the airline was projecting a jet fuel price of 91 cents a gallon in 1991.

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#90319u0193 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 15) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Thursday	-	8,551,000
1990 to date	-	2,194,079,000

The market closed lower.

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#90319u0217 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	296.69	off 1.18
High Technology	303.78	off 1.17
Capital Goods	307.68	off 0.11
Consumer Goods	371.56	off 2.88
Service	676.90	off 3.22
Retail	942.84	off 14.12
Financial	349.85	up 3.13
Natural Resources	218.63	off 1.10
Housing-Const-Land	217.86	off 2.16

There was a loss of 4 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	391.06	off 2.61
Mid Atlantic	396.21	off 2.27
No Central	386.62	off 3.43
So Atlantic	838.34	up 4.93
So Central	297.47	off 2.65
Mountain	106.18	up 1.96

Pacific	333.34 off 1.50
Foreign	215.94 off 0.25

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#90319u0221 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 13) UPI - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, a staunch supporter of the U.S.-led multinational force in the Persian Gulf, said Thursday he had asked President Bush to postpone any military action against Iraq for three months.

Mubarak, speaking to reporters after returning from Damascus where he talked to Syrian President Hafez Assad, said he requested the delay in any strike to give Iraqi President Saddam Hussein time to change his mind and withdraw from Kuwait.

Mubarak's statement sent U.S. crude oil prices surging by about $1 a barrel in the last 15 minutes of trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Traders said they felt that Mubarek made the comment to keep from looking like a hawk in the event hostilities should break out and that it signaled that war was even more imminent.

Mubarak made his peace call as a joint U.S.-Saudi amphibious operation began in Eastern Saudi Arabia, near the border of Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

The exercise, dubbed ''Imminent Thunder,'' was to run through Nov. 21 and was to involve 16 ships, about 1,000 Marines and 1,100 aircraft.

Earlier in Damascus, Mubarak and Assad issued a joint communique that hopes of an early Arab summit on the gulf crisis and accused Iraqi leaders of foiling a peaceful attempt to solve the standoff by setting conditions for any peace meeting.

But Mubarak and Assad left the door open for a peaceful solution when they said in a joint communique issued after Mubarak's two-day visit that they would continue consultations with other Arab leaders ''to preserve the interests and unity of the Arab nation.''

''To give a further chance to the Iraqi president to reconsider his position, and in order to avert a destructive war, I have asked President Bush and his secretary of state to postpone the military option for three months,'' Mubarak told reporters in Cairo.

The Egyptian leader said Bush was in any case working to persuade the U.N. Security Council to endorse any military option, so that if a strike became necessary, it would be carried out under "the umbrella of the United Nations."

''The two leaders gave due attention to King Hassan's call for an Arab summit '' said the communique, issued after Mubarak and Assad held three rounds of

talks. ''But because of what has been issued directly from Baghdad, setting preconditions, it makes it difficult if not impossible to hold such a summit.''

The statement said Iraq's refusal to withdraw from Kuwait made any compromise impossible.

''The two leaders expressed their regret at Iraq's foiling of any peaceful settlement aimed at the restoration of the situation before Aug. 2,'' the communique said.

The toughly worded statement came as Soviet envoys continued their shuttle diplomacy while Bush tried to mollify members of Congress angered over the U.S. troop buildup in the gulf.

A majority of Arab states voted in Cairo to support U.N. sanctions on Iraq and resolutions calling on Baghdad to withdraw its occupation troops from the emirate. The meeting also sanctioned the dispatch of Egyptian, Syrian and Moroccan troops to the Gulf to deter further Iraqi aggression.

Baghdad Radio reiterated Thursday Iraq's position that the country's leadership would be willing to attend any new Arab summit, ''provided the resolutions passed at the Cairo summit are declared null and void.''

Both the Soviet Union and China, permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, have backed Hassan's call for an Arab summit. Of the 21 members of the Arab League, only Jordan, the Palestine Liberation Organization and Mauritania gave immediate backing to the summit call.

But Arab radio stations monitored in Cairo said Yemen and Sudan had also agreed to an Arab summit, and there were signs that Libya, Tunisia and Algeria would join those in favor.

Saudi Arabia dampened hopes the summit would take place when its foreign minister, Prince Saud al Faisal, told reporters in the United Arab Emirates Wednesday that Iraq should first accept U.N. resolutions calling for its withdrawal from Kuwait before any summit could be held.

Saud echoed the sentiments of the pro-Kuwaiti Arab camp when he said that if Iraq failed to agree to a troop withdrawal, then any Arab gathering would be a ''waste of time.''

Mubarak himself last month rejected a Soviet proposal for an Arab summit, saying that any gathering without a specific agenda would evolve into a shouting match between pro-Kuwaiti and pro-Iraqi delegates. Iraqi delegates were reported to have thrown plates at Kuwaiti delegates at an Arab gathering after the invasion of Kuwait.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - Cable News Network asked the Supreme Court Thursday to immediately lift a restraining order barring the network from broadcasting tapes of telephone conversations between former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega and lawyers defending him against drug trafficking charges.

The network, in an emergency appeal addressed to Justice Anthony Kennedy, asked the high court to decide whether a federal judge's temporary injunction last Friday barring CNN from broadcasting the tapes for ten days and ordering that they first be reviewed by a federal magistrate violate its First Amendment right to freedom of the press.

Kennedy then gave Noriega's lawyers and the Justice Department until noon Saturday to file responses to the appeal. A decision by the high court would come sometime after that. The injunction was upheld last Saturday by the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

CNN attorney Terry Bienstock said at a hearing last week that the network has at least seven tapes of Noriega's telephone conversations from the Metropolitan Correctional Center in Miami.

Noriega's lawyers, who contend the tapes were illegally made by the government without their knowledge, claim Noriega's Sixth Amendment right to a fair trial and the sanctity of attorney-client communication should take precedence over the free press issue.

"Gagging CNN will neither cure nor avoid any breach by the prosecution," the network wrote the high court. "It will serve only to punish a news medium, which has faithfully executed its constitutional role by reporting on criminal proceedings and allegations of unlawful governmental action."

CNN is requesting that the restraining order barring it from airing the tapes be lifted and that the high court then formally review the decision of the 11th Circuit Court.

Despite the temporary order from U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler, CNN aired a portion of the tapes last Friday, putting itself in possible contempt of court.

The network claims that at least one tape includes conversations between Noriega and his lawyers, although what has aired to date was a discussion between Noriega and a secretary for one of his attorneys.

In an agreement reached Monday, CNN said it would stop airing the tapes until the high court could rule on the issue. In return, Hoeveler issued a stay on the contempt proceedings and on his order that the network turn over the tapes

for review by a federal magistrate.

A three-member panel of the 11th Circuit wrote that CNN had "shackled the district court by refusing the court's reasonable request to review the audio tapes."

"While appealing to our nation's judicial system for relief, CNN is at the same time defiant of that system's reasonable directions," wrote the 11th Circuit, seated in Atlanta, where CNN and its parent company, Turner Broadcasting System Inc., is based.

CNN claims that even were a magistrate to determine that the tapes would not harm Noriega's chance for a fair trial and allow them to be aired, requiring that they first be reviewed is unconstitutional prior restraint against the media.

The case marks the first time in 14 years that a federal appeals court has upheld a prior restraint keeping a media group from publishing or broadcasting information.

One of the last major battles involved the 1971 Pentagon Papers, when the high court ruled that the right to publish documents involving the Vietnam War outweighed national security concerns.

A brief filed with the court Thursday by publishers of The New York Times, Miami Herald, Washington Post and other major newspapers asked the court to side with CNN.

"Not once in its history has this court affirmed the issuance of a prior restraint on the publication or broadcast of news," the group argued. It said the 11th Circuit's decision was "clearly wrong; more importantly, however, unless reviewed by this court, it threatens to make the prior restraint once again an acceptable judicial tool."

Noriega signed a waiver allowing the federal prison to monitor some of his telephone conversations, but his lawyers contend the waiver does not extend to their discussions with the former Panamanian strongman.

The battle between the First and Sixth Amendments is being waged in the backdrop of what the dispute ultimately will do to the government's vaunted prosection of Noriega, who was forcibly taken from his homeland after the U.S. invasion of Panama last December.

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#90319u0230 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Fruit of Loom	650,100	6 3/8	off 1/8
Rhone Poulenc	482,300	10 3/4	up 1/2
BAT Industries	352,600	11	up 3-16
Contl Air Hldgs	259,900	3 1/4	off 1/8
Amdahl Corp	246,000	13 3/8	unch
Western Digital	227,200	5 1/4	unch
Baldwin Tech Co	217,600	3 7/8	off 1/2
Dow Chemical rt	216,900	6 7/8	off 1/8
Pall Corp	213,400	31 1/8	off 1/8
Salomon wt93Jan	213,400	18 3/8	up 1 1/8

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(NOV. 15) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	230.40	230.80	228.20	229.50	230.90
Mar	....	....	....	231.65	233.05
Jun	....	....	....	234.05	235.45

Previous day volume: 99 contracts.

Open interest: 1,262 off 10.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	320.50	321.10	317.00	318.05	321.70
Mar	322.85	323.70	319.60	320.65	324.35
Jun	325.35	326.30	323.30	323.65	327.35
Sep	328.75	329.50	326.25	326.30	330.25

Today's estimated volume: 44,076 contracts.

Open interest: 159,000 off 1,009.

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	174.70	175.00	172.75	173.50	175.30
Mar	175.95	176.10	174.25	174.75	176.60
Jun	177.40	177.40	177.40	176.05	177.90

Open interest: 4,673 off 80.

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	534.00	537.20	531.50	532.95	537.85

Dec 537.50 539.25 533.75 535.60 540.20
Jan 539.20 541.25 536.00 537.50 542.05
Estimated volume 4,032 contracts.
Open interest: 8,047 off 339.

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(NOV. 16) - SPORTS DIGEST

BASEBALL

Sandy Alderson, the architect of the Oakland Athletics, was named UPI's American League Executive of the Year. The A's have won the AL West three straight years. ... R.J. Reynolds, the Pittsburgh Pirates' fourth outfielder last season, signed a two-year contract worth almost $3 million with the Teiyo Whales of Japan. Reynolds, 30, hit .288 with no home runs and 19 RBI. ''I'm not a spring chicken,'' he said. ''When this contract expires, I'll be 32 or 33. What will my market value be then? It will be less. This is my one shot, and I thought it was the right thing to do.''

BOXING

Italian veteran Patrizio Oliva won the European welterweight title Wednesday night by decisioning Kirkland Laing of Britain in Campione D'Italia, Italy.

COLLEGE

The Metro Conference is looking for a few good teams. The latest casualties are charter members Cincinnati and Memphis State, who are headed for the new Great Midwest Conference. Florida State and South Carolina withdrew earlier this fall. The four schools left are Louisville, Southern Mississippi, Tulane and Virginia Tech.

GOLF

David Ishii used strong putting to shoot a 7-under-par 65 for a two- stroke lead after one round of the $1.54 million Dunlop Phoenix in Miyazaki, Japan, the country's richest golf tournament. Jeff Sluman shared second with Naomichi Ozaki and Tsukasa Watanabe.

HOCKEY

Los Angeles Kings left wing Luc Robitaille was suspended four games for attempting to injure Edmonton's Craig Simpson in last Saturday's game. Robitaille was retaliating for an earlier check. The suspension will take effect next Thursday unless the Kings notify the league by Friday they waive the right to appeal. In that case, the suspension takes place immediately. ...

Defenseman Kevin Hatcher signed a four-year contract with the Washington Capitals. ... The Pittsburgh Penguins recalled center Brad Aitken and defenseman Gord Dineen from Muskegon of the International Hockey League.

RUNNING

South Africa's top middle-distance runners will compete in the world's first underground mile Saturday, helmeted and running through a coal mine more than 100 yards below the surface. Ten men and eight women, breathing oxygen piped into the lamp-lit tunnel, will compete in separate races at the Middelbult colliery at Secunda, 75 miles east of Johannesburg.

SKIING

The World Cup circuit, hurt by a lack of snow the past few winters, suggests a number of changes for the 1992-93 season. The Austrian news agency APA says Marc Hodler, president of the International Ski Federation, recommends fewer races and men's and women's competitions held at the same resort. He would like November and December races awarded to resorts with snow-making facilities.

SOCCER

In an effort to contain growing soccer violence in Germany, Chancellor Helmut Kohl met in Bonn with soccer officials and federal state representatives. An aide to Kohl promised better support for police in eastern Germany, site of many of the disturbances. ... Two MISL players, Kansas City's Ted Eck and St. Louis' Fernando Clavijo, will join the U.S. national team for two games next week in Trinidad and Tobago. The Americans will play Trinidad and Tobago Nov. 18 and the Soviet Union Nov. 21. ... Europe's governing soccer body is meeting this week in Sofia, Bulgaria, with former East bloc countries. UEFA is advising the East Europeans on the best way to run their clubs now that government funding is no longer available.

TABLE TENNIS

World champion Jan-Ove Waldner of Sweden edged defending champion Ma Wenge of China 3-2 to win the World Cup Table Tennis Championship in Tokyo.

TELEVISION

Hall of Fame broadcaster Vin Scully will provide play-by-play coverage for TBS during the Jan. 17-20 Hawaiian Open. The longtime voice of the Los Angeles Dodgers has called golf for CBS and NBC.

TENNIS

Ivan Lendl beat Andres Gomez 6-4, 6-1 to advance to the semifinals in the $2

million ATP Finals at Frankfurt, Germany. Also qualifying for the semis was Boris Becker, who downed Thomas Muster 7-5, 6-4.

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(NOV. 15) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6175	off 100
Captl Cities	381 1/2	off 12 1/2
Woolworth pfA	160	up 10
Pitney pf	150	up 8
McKesson pf	95	up 7
PioneerFn pf	13 3/4	off 5 3/4
Tambrands Inc	82	off 5 1/8
NoStPw pfD	41	off 4
Pioneer Fncl	5 3/8	off 3 7/8
Motorola Inc	52 1/4	off 3 3/4
DPL pfE	83	up 3 1/4

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - The government, in a reflection of changing U.S. tastes, is proposing a change in the milk support price formula that would give less value to butterfat and more to skim milk, officials said Thursday.

The proposed change coincides with a major re-evaluation of the milk marketing order system, established in 1933. Marketing orders set the minimum price for milk in a region.

In recent years, butter has constituted the major surplus product purchased by the government to prop up milk prices. The government bought the equivalent of 8 billion pounds of milk during the 1989-1990 marketing year under the dairy support program.

Dairy herds produced 147.2 billion pounds of milk during the same period.

''Paying farmers less for butterfat in the milk they sell to processors will recognize the lowered value of butterfat in today's marketplace caused by consumers' changing preferences,'' said Daniel Haley, head of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

The change in the formula is contingent upon producer approval, which will be gauged through referendums and polls of marketing cooperatives. Major sectors of the dairy industry approved the shift in value when comments were gathered

at a hearing last summer.

Milk marketing orders cover the major population centers in the continental United States, except for California.

At present, milk is given a value based on its butterfat content. Milk with more than 3.5 percent fat is given a higher price. Milk with a lower percentage is given a lower price. The differentials are adjusted for each one-tenth of a point change in fat content.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - The joy found under the Christmas tree this year could turn to tragedy for thousands of children because their parents are unaware of hazards associated with many toys, government and consumer experts warn.

From January 1989 through September 1990, 33 toy-related deaths were reported to the Consumer Product Safety Commission and, says spokeswoman Anne Pavlich, "we get our figures only from certain sources. It's never a total."

In addition, according to 1989 data from the National Electronic Injury Surveillance System, 148,000 people were treated in U.S. hospitals for toy-related injuries, 83 percent of those age 14 or younger.

Many of those deaths and injuries could have been avoided, the experts say, if parents had chosen the toys more carefully, heeded age recommendation labels or monitored the use and condition of the toys as children play with them.

Swallowing or choking on small parts, falls on or against toys, lacerations or punctures from sharp edges, playing with more sophisticated toys meant for older siblings and playing with broken toys are common causes of injuries.

Pavlich said infants and very small children are most at risk for toy related deaths and most often by choking or suffocating on small toys or parts. Of the 33 child deaths recorded by the CPSC, nine choked on balloons, four on small balls amd two on marbles. Accidents involving tricycles or riding toys resulted in five deaths, three of those involving motor vehicles.

Toy chests caused five of the deaths when children using them had their necks pinned by the lids or became trapped inside. Demonstrating further that toys can result tragedy even when used as intended, Pavlich noted one infant suffocated when his bib became entangled in a cribmobile, and two older children were strangled or hanged by the straps on other toys, a toy guitar and a laser gun.

While parental awareness remains the front line of preventing such tragedies,

the government and consumer groups are pushing for higher product safety standards for toy manufacturers, importers and retailers.

But lack of government muscle and funding has largely left the American toy industry to set and police its own standards while foreign firms, who manufacture a large portion of toys sold here, remain unaware of even those federal regulations that exist.

In fiscal 1989, the CPSC recalled 198 toys for dangers ranging from choking hazards to excessive lead in paints to sharp edges or points. "But recalls never work that well," says , says Lucinda Sikes staff attorney for the U.S. Public Interest Research Group, a consumer organization that will be releasing its annual update on toy safety next week.

The CPSC agrees that its recalls have little effect because parents rarely hear about them, and even though recalled toys may be removed from store shelves, those already sold usually remain in use.

The government agency's regulations prohibit small parts (choking size) on toys for children under age three, sharp edges or points on toys intended for children age eight and younger, and set safety specifications for several toys and childrens products such as pacifiers, lawn darts, toy caps and kites.

Other standards and much of the safety labeling are voluntarily set by the toy industry and Sikes says her consumer group is particularly concerned with labeling as an effective warning for parents.

"It seems as though toys are better labeled this year," Sikes said, especially those with small parts that are labeled for youngsters over age three. "The problem is that they don't say why."

Parents who think of their offspring as intellectually ready for "older toys" may not realize an age label is intended to warn of choking or other hazards.Or, says Sikes, "they may be buying it for an older child and they won't know to keep it away from the younger child."

Sikes adds that "labeling isn't enough" and applauds the law recently approved by Congress that mandates civil penalties against toy manufacturers, importers or retailers who make or sell toys violating the CPSC regulations.

"Before, you could keep them on the shelves until you were found out," she said, and then only face mandatory removal of the offending toys. "... I think these things are going to make incentives for the toy companies to abide by the law."

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(NOV. 15) UPI - The Pentagon says about one-thousand U-S Marines, 16 warships and about 11-hundred aircraft are taking part in ''Imminent Thunder,'' a joint exercise with units of the Saudi Arabian air force, navy and marines. The week-long exercise includes a practice beach-head landing.

Chairman Les Aspin of the House Armed Services Committee says the European allies should contribute more troops to Operation Desert Shield and Saudi Arabia should pick up more of the bill for the multi-national force.

Egypt and Syria today said it is difficult if NOT impossible to set up an Arab summit on the Persian Gulf crisis because Iraq has attached pre-conditions to such a conference.

The five-man military crew strapped in aboard the shuttle Atlantis this afternoon for a scheduled night-time launch that faces a 60 percent threat that weather will force a postponement.

A Superior Court jury in Los Angeles today awarded three former Lockheed employees more than 45-Million dollars in punitive and other damages. The jury had deliberated the penalty since November 5th, which it agreed that the three men were fired unjustly for reporting problems with CB airplanes.

Leaders of unions at Eastern Airlines say they doubt that the reprieve the carrier got in bankruptcy court yesterday will keep the airline alive for more than just a little time.

The Soviet news agency Tass says Russian federation leader Boris Yeltsin will speak in the Soviet parliament tomorrow in a face-to-face confrontation with President Gorbachev on the nation's economic crisis.

Nobel laureate Mother Teresa received the 1990 Soviet Land Nehru award for her contributions to what the magazine termed the ''cause of humanity.'' The Soviet Land is a publication of the Soviet Embassy in New Delhi that is put out in all major Indian languages.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	146,749,408	30	off 1 7/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	55,256,120	67 7/8	off 1 5/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	48,847,792	36	off 1
Intel Corp	(INTL)	39,810,464	36 3/4	off 1 1/8
Liz Claiborne	(LIZC)	23,594,494	26 1/2	unch
Adobe Systems	(ADBE)	23,474,480	29 5/8	up 3/8

Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	22,574,562	52 1/4 off 1/2
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	22,515,082	28 3/4 off 1 1/4
Autodesk	(ACAD)	17,957,060	44 1/2 off 1 1/4
LIN Broadcstng	(LINB)	16,476,938	56 1/2 off 2 1/2

Composite Index 155.96 off 1.08

NMS volume 94,535,904 shares.

Advances	703
Declines	763
Unchanged	1,322
Total	2,788

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OAKLAND, Calif. (NOV. 15) UPI - Sandy Alderson, the architect of the Oakland Athletics, Thursday was named UPI's American League Executive of the Year in voting by a nationwide panel of baseball writers.

Alderson, the A's vice president of baseball operations, received 14 votes to capture the award for a record third straight year. Larry Himes of the Chicago White Sox collected 5 votes, while Hank Peters of Cleveland and Lou Gorman of Boston each had 1.

Oakland has rolled to three American League titles in as many seasons and averaged 102 wins a season.

''The real difficulty (in baseball's current economic environment) is developing any consistency,'' Alderson said. ''With the volatility in the marketplace, it's hard to sustain anything over a long period of time. It's hard to keep a team together.''

The A's have managed to keep their club together, but it hasn't come without a large price tag. Alderson signed slugger Jose Canseco to baseball's largest contract - $23.5 million over five years - and the club's overall payroll (reportedly $22.2 million) is among the highest in the major leagues.

''Next year, I suspect, we'll have the highest payroll in baseball and that's not including everyone who was on this year's team,'' Alderson said. ''Once you get to that level, it really pushes the limits of your capacity to compete.''

It also makes a team's farm system all the more important. A team needs a source of inexpensive, young talent.

''When the Haas family bought this team, the farm system was a shambles,'' Alderson said. ''The organization takes a great deal of pride in how we

rebuilt that system. You have to have currency to trade with other teams. If you don't have a good farm system, the only other way you can replenish your team is through free agency and that's been proven to be an ineffective way to build a team.''

Trading is something Alderson knows a thing or two about. Over the last three years, he's been one of baseball's craftiest dealers bringing the A's Dave Parker, Bob Welch and Rickey Henderson. Alderson says he takes the greatest pride in the deal for Welch, who this week won the Cy Young Award.

''I look at that trade as a watershed for us,'' he said. ''It led to appearances in the 1988, '89 and '90 World Series and caught the imagination of our players and fans. It gave us a sense that we could accomplish something.''

This year, Alderson dealt for National League batting champ Willie McGee and left-handed slugger Harold Baines during the stretch drive.

''What tends to happen is that as the season goes along you observe where the team is heading,'' Alderson said. ''You look for an opportunity (to improve your team) and hope one develops.''

And while some in the baseball community believe Alderson generally gets the best of his deals, the A's executive says he trades ''value for value.''

''There are only 25 other teams to deal with,'' Alderson said. ''So you can't ruin your trade market by making deals that don't help both teams.''

Alderson also traded away some talent over the last two years to accumulate a large number of choices in this June's draft.

''That was by design,'' he said. ''We went into that draft looking to stock our system with good, young pitching talent. And that's what we did.''

Among those drafted and signed was Texas high school pitching sensation Todd Van Poppel, who appeared headed for a collegiate career at the University of Texas.

While Alderson has enjoyed enormous success, he also has experienced some disappointments. The A's were swept in this year's World Series and lost the 1988 Fall Classic by a 4-1 margin to the Los Angeles Dodgers.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.

20 Bonds	89.76	off 0.13
10 Public Utils	91.78	up 0.04
10 Industrials	87.75	off 0.30

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2550.25	2567.33	2528.71	2545.05	off 14.60
20 Trans	871.49	877.40	859.10	867.97	off 9.62
15 Utils	208.19	209.26	206.05	207.43	off 1.32
65 Stock	892.78	898.53	883.62	890.25	off 6.43

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	15,854,000	18,662,900
Trans	3,908,200	3,879,000
Utils	2,373,800	3,058,900
65 Stock	22,136,000	25,600,800

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
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Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 125.50 off 0.42.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	354.46	off	2.41	336.37	455.28
Industrial	377.85	off	2.51	359.39	443.12
Finance	351.74	off	0.21	332.49	528.60
Insurance	418.14	off	1.84	404.24	544.50
Utility	490.09	off	11.23	452.99	723.29
Bank	252.40	up	1.15	240.88	425.52
Transport	385.57	up	0.90	375.98	482.41

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 155.94 off 1.10
Industrial Index 150.12 off 1.04
NASDAQ-100 Index 379.10 off 5.80

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Thursday 379.10 off 5.80.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	375.22	227.56	141.53	22.53	320.40
Opening	373.32	225.16	140.74	22.22	318.54
11 a.m.	373.02	224.97	140.48	22.22	318.25
Noon	373.44	225.23	140.58	22.27	318.62
1 p.m.	373.37	225.53	140.74	22.30	318.66
2 p.m.	372.64	224.72	140.56	22.26	318.06
3 p.m.	373.58	225.74	141.04	22.41	319.00
Close	371.23	224.67	140.33	22.23	317.02
Change	off 3.99	off 2.89	off 1.20	off 0.30	off 3.38

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#90319u0280 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 15) UPI - The cause of the crash of an Italian airlines D-C-9 in Zurich Switzerland, Wednesday is still NOT known. Authorities continue to sift through the wreckage of the Alitalia jetliner, which crashed in rainy weather just before landing at Zurich. Police say they fear all 40 passengers and six crew members were killed. So far, rescuers have recovered the bodies of 10 of the victims.

Pan Am Corporation and U-A-L Corporation have agreed to terms for the sale of Pan American World Airways' highly coveted U-S-London routes. The deal also includes the sale of other Pan Am assets to United Airlines. Lawyers for Pan Am and U-A-L met late into the night Wednesday to beat a midnight deadline for drafting final documentation for the proposed 400-Million-dollar deal.

In New Zealand, the death toll rose to 14 in the country's worst mass slaying.

Police say they found the bodies of two 11-year-old girls in a house set ablaze by a gunman who killed 11 other people and wounded two more Wednesday in the retirement village of Aramoana. Authorities are trying to piece together a profile of the killer, identified as 33-year- old David Gray, who hours later was shot and killed by police.

Officials in Indonesia report a strong earthquake has jolted the island of Sumatra. But they say there are NO immediate reports of casualties or damage. The quake registered six-point-two on the Richter scale and was centered inthe sea of West Sumatra island. An earthquake measuring six or above is capable of causing widespread, severe damage.

Secretary of State Baker plans to travel to Colombia where a reign of terror by drug traffickers has brought the country to a standstill. State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler says Baker will fly to Colombia at the end of President Bush's European summit trip next Wednesday. Baker is expected to meet with Colombian President Cesar Gaviria. Drug cartels are trying to break the government's policy of extraditing suspected drug leaders to the United States.

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#90319u0281 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - The dollar posted moderate gains across the board Thursday in range-locked New York trading, but currency dealers said that was mostly on the back of German mark gains against most other units.

''It's been the mark against everything,'' said Francoise Soares- Kemp, a vice president for treasury operations with Credit Suisse. She said the market was focused on so-called cross trading between non- dollar currencies.

A lot of that action was in response to expectations that the German central bank, the Deutsche Bundesbank, was shortly to raise its key interest rates in a move intended to quash unification-fueled inflation.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.4750 German marks, up from 1.4715 marks Wednesday, and at 129.60 Japanese yen, up from 129.

Soares-Kemp said the dollar was, however, getting some support from economic and political disarray in the Soviet Union, where food shortages, nationalist agitation and government paralysis were worsening.

That threat to the government of President Mikhail Gorbachev has brought some purchases of the U.S. dollar as a safe-haven, or shelter currency, as has the continuing crisis in the Persian Gulf.

''On the other hand,'' Soares-Kemp said, ''we're expecting the Federal Reserve to announce a discount (interest rate) cut.'' Market expectations of an easing

move by the U.S. central bank undermines the dollar.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2508 Swiss francs, up from 1.2465; 4.9830 French francs, ahead from 4.9675; and 1,113 Italian lire, up from 1,110.26.

The British pound retreated to $1.9575 from $1.9604.

In Europe, the dollar closed higher in lackluster trading but dealers said the gains were small and likely to be short-lived. The mark is expected to gain sharply if the Bundesbank raises its central interest rates.

''Basically, the dollar sentiment is very negative still,'' said Laudy Bahl, corporate dealing chief for the Bank of Tokyo Ltd. in London, but said traders were wary of getting short on dollars close to the weekend.

In Frankfurt, the dollar closed higher at 1.4785 German marks against 1.4735 at the close Wednesday. It also was higher in Zurich, at 1.2522 Swiss francs compared with 1.2475 at Wednesday's close.

Elsewhere, the dollar also recovered from its early weakness, closing higher in Paris, Brussels and Milan at 4.9765 French francs from 4.9740; 30.4450 Belgian francs vs. 30.44, and 1,112.35 Italian lire from 1, 112.50.

Bank of America dealer Andy Baxter said dollar gains on Continental exchanges stemmed from the weakness of the French, Belgian and Italian currencies vs. the Deutsche mark rather than on its own strength.

In London, the pound eased to $1.9605 vs. $1.9620, mostly as a result of the surge by the German mark.

Players tuned out continuing turmoil in the ruling Conservative Party, opting to await Tuesday's vote in Parliament by Conservative members as to whether Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher should be replaced.

In Tokyo, the dollar drifted higher against the Japanese yen amid jitters over the Gulf crisis and U.S. interest rates. The dollar finished at 129.30 yen, ahead from Wednesday's 129.05 yen.

In Zurich, gold closed lower at $378.50 an ounce vs. $384.50 Wednesday, and in London declined to $379.25 an ounce vs. $384.25. Traders cited lower oil prices, the dollar's recovery and reported heavy gold sales.

Silver closed lower in Zurich at $4.15 an ounce vs. $4.20 and also was lower in London at $4.18 per ounce vs. $4.22 at Wednesday's close.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $379.25 an ounce, up from $377.50 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $379.10 an ounce, ahead from $377.60.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.125 an ounce, up from $4.18. Comex silver ended at $4.117 an ounce, down from $4.175.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	13	6	2	28	83	52
Philadelphia	11	8	1	23	72	66
Pittsburgh	10	7	2	22	85	70
New Jersey	10	8	1	21	71	63
Washington	10	10	0	20	64	65
NY Islanders	7	10	0	14	51	68

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	10	6	3	23	57	61
Montreal	10	8	2	22	64	63
Buffalo	7	7	4	18	60	54
Hartford	6	9	3	15	44	57
Quebec	3	14	3	9	51	82

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	13	6	2	28	69	47
St. Louis	13	4	1	27	66	45
Detroit	7	9	3	17	65	77
Minnesota	4	11	4	12	48	69
Toronto	4	16	1	9	59	99

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	13	4	1	27	82	53
Calgary	12	7	1	25	86	62
Vancouver	9	10	0	18	57	66
Winnipeg	7	11	2	16	64	69
Edmonton	3	11	2	8	44	54

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Stocks closed lower in moderate trading Thursday,

done in by traders and investors taking profits after the rally of the last few sessions and by weakness in the bond market.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 24.25 Wednesday, lost 14.60 to close at 2545.05.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index lost 1.56 to 173.12. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 3.38 to 317.02. The price of an average share lost 27 cents.

Declines led advances, 898-594, among the 1,972 issues crossing the Big Board tape. Volume totaled 151,370,000 shares, down from the 179, 310,000 traded Wednesday.

Opened lower, stocks drifted with modest losses for most of the day on profit taking. The NYSE's blue chips scored a net gain of 116 points Friday, Monday and Wednesday, backing off just a few points Tuesday.

Computerized sell program took prices down sharply in the last half- hour before the market recovered about 10 points of the loss.

''We had some programs come in on light volume towards the end of the day,'' said Jim Andrews, first vice president in charge of institutional trading at Janney Montgomery Scott Inc. in Philadelphia. ''People had been bottom-fishing (bargain-hunting), seeing what they could add to their portfolios, but then profit taking came in and the programs knocked us down.''

The market's rally was fueled by expectations the Federal Reserve would move to lower interest rates in the next few days to try and bolster the sagging economy.

As the central bank did Wednesday, the Fed added funds to the banking system. While this did not provide conclusive proof that the Fed has lowered rates, market-watchers said it was a step in the right direction.

Short-term rates were again unusually high, as they were Wednesday. So the Fed may have simply been seeking to bring these rates back into line rather than signaling a rate drop, analysts pointed out.

''Bonds pressured stocks, too,'' Andrews said. ''They're getting a little nervous there (that) we haven't seen more of an easing yet. We need a meaningful easing here.''

After the bond market had staged a healthy rally in recent sessions, December Treasury bond futures were down 10/32 in late trading Thursday, pushing yields higher.

Andrews said the stock market's selloff caught him unawares, adding that he

expected prices to hold at somewhat higher levels. ''I'm surprised to see us do what we did here. I thought we would consolidate in the 2550-2560 range (on the Dow industrials), then have a nice move to 2600 and (to) 2700 before year-end,'' said Andrews.

''It doesn't mean it can't still happen, but it's just a question of looking at the next few days and seeing what happens.''

On the trading floor, Schering-Plough was the most active issue, unchanged at 43 3/4.

Motorola followed, plunging 3 3/4 to 52 1/4, reportedly because of a downgrading of the stock by a Merrill Lynch electronics analyst. The analyst was also said to cut earnings estimates for the company, citing increased price competition in the cellular telephone market.

BankAmerica was third, down 1/8 to 23 3/4. The southeastern regional bank NCNB was also active, tumbling 1 1/8 to 23 1/4.

Among the blue chips, IBM lost 7/8 to 112 5/8, AT&T eased 5/8 to 33 1/8, American Express lost 5/8 to 21 5/8, Woolworth fell 5/8 to 29 and General Motors lost 5/8 to 39 1/4.

Elsewhere, Tambrands plunged 5 1/8 to 82. Analysts reportedly cut earnings estimates after a meeting with company officials late Wednesday.

The grocery chain A&P sank 2 7/8 to 38 3/4 after hitting a new 52-week low, also after a disappointing analysts' meeting with the company.

And Borden tumbled 2 to 27 3/4, saying earnings growth in the fourth quarter would be ''uncertain.''

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 182,174,410 shares, compared with 214,698,420 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index lost 1.18 to close at 296.69. Declines led advances, 300 to 244, among the 770 issues traded. The price of an average share fell 4 cents. Composite volume totaled 12,277,000 shares vs. 13,511,600 traded Wednesday.

Fruit of the Loom led the Amex issues, off 1/8 to 6 3/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 2.41 to 354.46.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - A variety of events were planned around the country for the American Cancer Society's 14th annual celebrity-studded Great American Smokeout to encourage smokers to abstain for at least 24 hours.

The smokeout officially began at midnight.

On Wednesday in New York Rapper L.L. Cool J playfully punched out a mock six-foot pack of cigarettes, and wrestler Tito Santana helped strangle a similar pack in a ''tug of war.''

Even New York Mayor David Dinkins, a reformed heavy smoker, got into the act, describing how he quit 28 years ago after reading about a link between butts and bronchitis.

''I have not, I am pleased to report, smoked since,'' he bragged, after being presented a certificate of appreciation for the city's anti- smoking efforts, namely banning cigarette ads on city owned billboards and subways and taxis.

Cancer Society spokesman David Lehman said a Gallup organization survey showed 17.9 million smokers participated last year, and about 5.2 million stayed off the entire day.

Actress Carol Channing said she was smoking three packs a day when she quit eight years ago.

''I couldn't get in the bathtub without a cigarette and an ashtray,'' she said. ''I remember how people who smoke smelled when I kissed them. Like an old sewer.''

She pooh-poohed weight gain after quitting, even though she put on 12 pounds.

''It came right off,'' she said. ''My emotions came alive,'' she added, describing nicotine as ''a suppressant for everything.''

Joyce Randolph, Trixie Norton of the old ''Honeymooners'' show, said she brought greetings from Art Carney and Audrey Meadows.

''Art stopped smoking years ago and Audrey is trying to,'' she said. ''Of course you know we lost Jackie (Gleason) to cancer.''

Rocky Aoki, owner of the Benihana chain of restaurants and a speedboat racer who ''started smoking as a kid in Japan,'' said he quit and encourages his 2,000 employees to follow suit, because, he tells them, they will ''have more energy and less absenteeism.''

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(NOV. 15) UPI - President Bush tried to mollify members of Congress angered over the troop buildup in the Persian Gulf, but some members planned to try to block any offensive moves, while the latest round of shuttle diplomacy went no where.

Bush assured congressionial leaders Wednesday the U.S. military position in Saudi Arabia was defensive and most heeded his call, ruling out an in immediate special session of Congress.

But liberal members were not convinced and in what is believed to be an unprecedented step, 33 Democratic members of the House of Representatives, led by Rep. Ronald Dellums, D-Calif., say they will seek a federal court order to prevent Bush from taking offensive military action without consulting Congress first.

After a briefing by Secretary of State James Baker, Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., emerged to say he was ''increasingly concerned that President Bush is preparing to take this country unilaterally into war in the Persian Gulf, without the approval of Congress and without the support of the American people.''

Kennedy, when asked if a declaration of war would pass in Congress, replied: ''Not after the hearings and not after a week's debate. There's not the slightest question in my mind. It would not, and I don't believe it's justified under the circumstances.''

The lawsuit, set to be filed Tuesday, challenges the president on constitutional, not political grounds. The plaintiffs contend that only Congress, not the president, can declare war.

Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell said ''extensive discussion'' of additional moves through the United Nations, where the United States may seek a resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq.

In the Middle East, Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak and Iraqi and Soviet envoys shuttled around Arab capitals Wednesday to discuss a call for an Arab summit on the Persian Gulf crisis.

Pro-Kuwaiti states such as Saudi Arabia said a new summit as proposed by Morroco's King Hassan II could only succeed if Iraq recognized resolutions passed at an Arab gathering in Cairo on Aug. 10, eight days after Iraq invaded Kuwait.

The Cairo summit sanctioned the dispatch of Arab troops from Egypt, Syria and Morocco to the gulf to deter further Iraqi aggression.

Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al Faisal told reporters in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, that Iraq should accept resolutions calling on it to withdraw from Kuwait and restore exiled Kuwaiti Emir Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah to power before a new summit could be considered.

''Only if Iraq accepts the resolutions of the Cairo summit can the summit called by King Hassan of Morrocco be fruitful and positive,'' Saud was quoted as saying.

Despite recent indications Iraq is willing to sacrifice for the sake of peace, Baghdad said it will only attend a summit if it can have a say in the agenda and that the order sanctioning the dispatch of Arab troops to the gulf is rescinded.

Mubarak last month rejected a Soviet call for a new summit, arguing that if there was no specific agenda it might evolve into a shouting match between pro-Iraqi and pro-Kuwaiti delegates.

Egypt has not officially responded to Hassan's summit call and only three members of the Arab League - the Palestine Liberation Organization, Jordan and Mauritania - have accepted.

Mubarak arrived in the Syrian capital Damascus after talks in Sirte with Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi, Cairo Radio said, and later met Syrian President Hafez Assad in Damascus.

Iraqi First Deputy Premier Tahar Yassin Radamadan said Wednesday after talks in Rabat with Hassan that Baghdad wants a summit to cancel the resolutions approved in Cairo that approved the sending of Arab troops to Saudi Arabia, Baghdad Radio said.

Two Soviet envoys arrived in the Middle East, Cairo Radio reported, on missions to achieve a peaceful settlement of the standoff.

On the first leg of his tour, Alexander Belonogov, a former Soviet ambassador to Egypt and now a deputy foreign minister, was in the Yemeni capital Sanaa. Vladimir Petrovsky, another Soviet deputy foreign minister, was in in Rabat for talks with Hassan. Petrovsky was also to visit Libya, Algeria and Tunisia.

On the hostage front, the Voice of America broadcast a message to U.S. nationals still held in Iraq and Kuwait that a special plane will leave Kuwait and Baghdad on Sunday.

The message asked U.S. nationals, including those of Arab origin, to get in touch with U.S. missions in Baghdad and Kuwait for further details.

Meanwhile, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney authorized the activation of up to

72,500 more National Guard and Reserves troops Wednesday to support operations in the Persian Gulf theater.

The authorization is not a call-up, but enables the military to dip further into reserve forces if necessary.

If all reservists were activated and deployed to the Gulf region it could push the total U.S. deployment in the region - currently more than 230,000 troops - to perhaps 500,000 soldiers.

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NEWS YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	15	21	15
New lows	37	50	93

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	568	33,505,200
Declines	908	95,097,200
Unchanged	492	22,767,600
Total	1,968	151,370,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	356.86	353.60	354.46	off 2.41
Industrial	379.94	376.53	377.85	off 2.51
Finance	352.52	350.01	351.74	off 0.21
Insurance	421.49	417.93	418.14	off 1.84
Utility	498.82	487.14	490.09	off 11.23
Bank	252.40	249.08	252.40	up 1.15
Transport	387.82	383.42	385.57	up 0.90

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	155.94	off 1.10
Industrial Index	150.12	off 1.04
NASDAQ-100 Index	379.10	off 5.80

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share	8.05 off 0.05
Volume	94,535,904 shares
Advances	703
Declines	763
Unchanged	1,322
Total	2,788

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(NOV. 15) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	9
New lows	38

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	239	3,720,800
Declines	306	4,486,400
Unchanged	222	2,132,800
Total	767	10,340,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	174.05	173.12	173.12	off 1.56
Industrial	214.97	213.73	213.73	off 2.04
Transport	136.39	135.76	135.76	off 1.40
Utility	89.67	89.37	89.37	off 0.59
Finance	117.02	116.35	116.41	off 0.99

Equivalent to a loss of 27 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 151,370,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	117,971,200
Advances	859
Declines	915

Unchanged	2,441
Total	4,215

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Assets of the nation's 523 money-market mutual funds fell by $1.23 billion to $417.1 billion in the latest reporting week, the Investment Company Institute said Thursday.

In the week ended Wednesday, the Washington-based institute said, broker-dealer fund assets fell by $356.7 million to $164.97 billion, assets of general purpose funds declined by $153.2 million to $148.63 billion and institutional fund assets decreased by $724.4 million to $103.49 billion.

''Yields offered by money-market funds kept drifting down, leading to some narrowing of the yield differentials favoring money-market funds over competing investment vehicles,'' explained Jacob Dreyer, the organization's vice president and chief economist.

''However, this narrowing was not nearly significant enough to prompt large repositioning of assets,'' he said. ''On the other hand, a much better tone of the stock and bond markets last week has probably caused some flow of assets from short-term into long-term funds.''

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money-market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.34 percent, down from 7.38 percent the previous week, and 30-day simple yields were 7.40 percent, down from 7.42 percent.

The average maturity of fund portfolios was unchanged at 49 days.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.85 percent, down from 5.86 percent the previous week; Super-Now accounts, 4.96 percent, up from 4.95; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.39 percent, down from 7.41; 1-year CDs, 7.47 percent, down from 7.50 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.57 percent, down from 7.60; and five-year CDs, 7.78 percent, down from 7.79.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.08 percent, down from 8.16 percent the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.61 percent from 9.65 percent. The average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage eased to 9.94 percent from 9.96 percent.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan rose to 12.23 percent from 12.22 percent last week.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - Lawyers for Pan Am and U-A-L beat a midnight deadline and came to terms on the sale of Pan American World Airways' U-S to London routes and other Pan Am assets to United Airlines. The deal is worth 400 Million dollars.

A U-S bankruptcy judge in New York Wednesday night saved Eastern Airlines from liquidation when he allowed the carrier to take more money from an escrow fund to meet its operating expenses. The money will be withdrawn in two increments of 15 Million dollars.

The foreign secretary of the Philippines says his government favors a five-to-seven-year phase down of the U-S-run Subic Bay Naval Base beginning next year when its lease expires. But he said NO agreement has been reached with the United States.

Police in Switzerland say that all 40 passengers and six crew members were killed when an Italian airlines D-C-9 from Milan crashed just before landing at Zurich's international airport. The plane exploded on a wooded hill.

The son of Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan Junior is expected to be arraigned Thursday morning on charges of rape. Police say the rape allegedly occurred early Sunday when the UNidentified victim awoke to find an intruder in her apartment in suburban Washington, D-C.

Police in New Zeland found the bodies of two youngsters today in a house set on fire by a gunman who killed 11 other people and wounded two more. Police still are trying to piece together a profile of the killer, who was shot to death by police.

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JAKARTA, Indonesia (NOV. 15) UPI - A strong earthquake rocked the Indonesian island of Sumatra Thursday with tremors reaching Malaysia, prompting thousands of office workers to rush out of buildings into the streets.

Although the quake caused tremors in Malaysia's capital of Kuala Lumpur 235 miles north, officials said there were no immediate reports of casualties or major damage in either of the Southeast Asian countries.

Frightened residents of the North Sumatran provincial capital of Medan rushed

out of shaking homes and buildings, police said.

The tremors jolting Kuala Lumpur lasted for about 30 seconds and were felt in several other cities, said a spokesman at Malaysia's Meteorological Services Department.

''Thousands of office workers scurried out of high rise buildings,'' he said.

Steve Duthie, a reporter for The Asian Wall Street Journal working in a 20-story building, said, ''I was wobbling and felt dizzy while the blinds at the windows were swinging.''

Agus Trisutanto, a scientist at the Meteorogical Institute of Jakarta, said the quake registered 6.2 on the Richter Scale and struck Sumatra at 9:34 a.m. The epicenter was 37 miles southwest of Medan.

Japan's Methrological Agency reported the quake had a magnitude of 7.2. The U.S. Geological Survey in Colorado said it measured 6.9 and was located 945 miles northwest of Jakarta, the capital.

''We have not received any reports of casualty or damage so far,'' said Trisutanto.

It was the second time in less than four years that tremors in Malaysia followed an earthquake in Sumatra. The same phenomenon occurred April 25, 1987 after a quake measuring 6.6 in the same Indonesian island.

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#90319u0343 11/15/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 15) UPI - Six straight road appearances might scare some hockey teams, but the Chicago Blackhawks stand fearlessly in first place.

''We play a smarter game on the road,'' defenseman Chris Chelios said Wednesday night after the Blackhawks opened the six-game trip with a 3-2 victory over the Detroit Red Wings.

The victory enabled the Blackhawks, 13-6-2 and 28 points, to move past idle St. Louis, 13-4-1 and 27 points, into first place in the Norris Division.

''At home, we come out like we have something to prove and we're more free-wheeling, but on the road we're more consistent in what we do on the ice.''

Chicago is unbeaten in its last five games (3-0-2), has a 3-0-1 record in its last four road contests and has allowed only four goals in its last three games away from home.

Detroit's Shawn Burr, who missed a chance to tie the game at 2 when he hit the crossbar in the third period, said Chicago's tight checking frustrates the opposition.

''It seems like they could get a holding penalty on every play, but they don't and it's tough to break free and get something started,'' Burr said.

Detroit missed an excellent opportunity to get an early jump on the Blackhawks when Jocelyn Lemieux was given a major penalty and a game misconduct for high-sticking Brent Fedyk at 2:07 of the first period.

The Red Wings got a two-man advantage at 3:16 when goalie Ed Belfour was penalized for delay of game when he shot the puck into the stands, but Detroit managed only one shot on goal during the five-minute power play.

''We played the puck outside at the point, but we don't have a take- charge guy,'' said Detroit Coach Bryan Murray of the Red Wings' power- play woes. ''Everyone's waiting for the other guy to do something.'' Detroit was unsuccessful in five power-play opportunities.

Chicago opened the scoring at 10:11 of the first period when Michel Goulet deflected Steve Larmer's shot past goalie Tim Cheveldae from the edge of the crease during a power play.

Rookie defenseman Frantisek Kucera gave the Blackhawks a 2-0 advantage with a power-play goal at 4:43 of the third period. It was the first NHL goal for Kucera, who assisted on Chicago's other two goals.

Detroit defenseman Yves Racine, playing his first game since being recalled from Adirondack on Sunday, converted a pass from Steve Yzerman on a 3-on-1 break at 6:31 of the third period.

Jeremy Roenick scored an empty-net goal with 1:16 left to give the Blackhawks a 3-1 lead, but Detroit's Bob Probert scored from a goalmouth scramble at 19:05 to cut the margin back to one.

''I was pleased with our overall defensive play,'' said Chicago Coach Mike Keenan. ''We were being patient and we didn't give up too many opportunities until the last minute.''

Belfour stopped 20 shots as he increased his league-leading victory total to 12.

''He's making the critical saves,'' Chelios said. ''That's what the great goalies do.''

Elsewhere, Hartford downed Boston 3-1, Toronto topped Washington 5-3, Pittsburgh defeated Winnipeg 6-4, Edmonton nipped Vancouver 5-3, and Los

Angeles dropped Buffalo 4-2.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Whalers 3, Bruins 1

At Hartford, Conn., Yvon Corriveau, Ron Francis and Dean Evason scored goals within 1:48 of the third period for all of the Whalers scoring. After managing just three shots in the second period, the Whalers' splurge came on three of their first four attempts in the third period. The Bruins had their four-game unbeaten streak end but remain atop the Adams Division on the strength of a 6-2-2 run since Oct. 25.

Maples Leafs 5, Capitals 3

At Toronto, Dave Reid scored twice, including his fifth short-handed goal in four games, to lead the Maple Leafs past the Washington Capitals. Reid opened the scoring at 8:37 of the first period with Washington on the man-advantage. His second score came at 12:57 of the third and gave the Leafs a 5-3 lead.

Penguins 6, Jets 4

At Winnipeg, Manitoba, Kevin Stevens and Bob Errey scored goals in the opening 1:48 and goaltender Tom Barrasso stopped 42 shots, including 19 in the third period, to lead Pittsburgh past Winnipeg. Pittsburgh scored on two of its first three shots, and four of its first seven.

Oilers 5, Canucks 3

At Edmonton, Alberta, Mark Messier set up two goals and scored into an open net to help the Oilers snap a nine-game losing streak. Messier was playing his first game since injuring his left knee on Oct. 16. The Oilers managed only one victory without Messier.

Kings 4, Sabres 2

At Inglewood, Calif., Wayne Gretzky scored one goal and assisted on another to trigger a three-goal outburst in the second period that carried the Kings to a club-record eighth straight victory at home. Dale Hawerchuk and Donald Audette scored third-period goals for the Sabres to make it close.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Pittsburgh	3-2-1-6
Winnipeg	1-1-2-4

First period-1, Pittsburgh, Stevens 12 (Cullen, Recchi), 0:55. 2, Pittsburgh, Errey 6 (Brown, Mullen) 1:48. 3, Pittsburgh, Bourque 2 (Coffey, Tanti) 5:46. 4 Winnipeg, Elynuik 7 (Housley, Olczyk), pp, 8:06.

Penalties-Errey, Pit, 7:54; Housley, Wpg, 17:22.

Second period-5, Winnipeg, Cole 2 (Olczyk, Olausson), 7:35. 6, Pittsburgh, Jager 7 (Coffey, Zalapski), pp, 14:35. 7, Pittsburgh, Recchi 10 (Cullen), 19:33.

Penalties-Stevens, Pit, 0:21; Daniels, Pit, 12:09; Cronin, Wpg, 14:18; Barrasso, Pit, (served by Brown), 16:40.

Third Period-8, Winnipeg, Elynuik 8 (Steen, Housley), pp, 13:51. 9, Pittsburgh Bourque 3 (unassisted), 15:10. 10, Winnipeg, Housley 6 (Olausson, Steen), pp, 19:37.

Penalties-Tanti, Pit, major (fight), 2:28; Sykes, Wpg, major (fight), 2:28; Zalapski, Pit, 13:37; Dahlquist, Pit, 18:24; Gilhen, Pit, 19:15; Olczyk, major (spear) game misconduct, 19:15.

Shots on goal-Pittsburgh 10-7-3-20; Winnipeg 8-17-21-46.

Power-play conversions-Pittsburgh 3-1. Winnipeg 6-3.

Goaltenders-Pittsburgh, Barrasso; Essensa, Winnipeg. A-10,786.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

Boston	1	0	0-1
Hartford	0	0	3-3

First Period-1, Boston, Bourque 3 (Janney, Wiemer), pp, 17:25.

Penalties-Samuelsson, Har, :28; Carpenter, Bos, 1:06; Byers, Bos, major (fighting), 7:58; Kastelic, Har, major (fighting), 7:58; Bourque, Bos, 9:13; Evason, Har, 16:32; Ruzicka, Bos, 18:31.

Second Period-No scoring.

Penalties-Bourque, Bos, 3:57; Nilan, Bos, 5:33; Dineen, Har, 7:01; Nilan, Bos, 15:18; Verbeek, Har, 15:39; Shaw, Har, 18:39.

Third Period-2, Hartford, Corriveau 1 (Yake, Kastelic), 1:42. 3, Hartford, Francis 5 (Shaw), 2:37. 4, Hartford, Evason 1 (Dineen, Crossman), 3:30.

Penalties-Krygier, Har, 4:58; Byers, Bos, 12:22.

Shots on goal-Boston 9-11-6-26. Hartford 9- 3-8-20.

Power-play conversions-Boston 6-1. Hartford 7-0.

Goaltenders-Boston, Moog. Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. A-14,064.

Referee-Rob Shick.

Chicago	1	0	2-3
Detroit	0	0	2-2

First period-1, Chicago, Goulet 3 (Larmer, Kucera), pp, 10:11.

Penalties-Lemieux, Chi, major (fighting), game misconduct, 2:07; Belfour, Chi (served by Graham), 3:16; Belfour, Chi (served by Brown), 6:32; Burr, Det, 6:32; Garpenlov, Det, 8:19; Murray, Chi, 14:33; Kocur, Det, 17:35.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Creighton, Chi, 9:38; Probert, Det, 12:21.

Third period-2, Chicago, Kucera 1 (Larmer, Chelios), pp, 4:43. 3, Detroit, Racine 1 (Yzerman), 6:31. 4, Chicago, Roenick 9 (Kucera), en, 18:44. 5, Detroit, Probert, 6 (Norwood, Yzerman), 19:05.

Penalties-Kocur, Det, 4:01; Brown, Chi, 11:03; Konroyd, Chi, 11:03; Kocur, Det, 11:03; Yzerman, Det, 12:05; Murray, Chi, 16:28; Gallant, Det, 16:28; Larmer, Chi, 18:58; Gallant, Det, minor-misconduct, 18:58.

Shots on goal-Chicago 9-10-7-26. Detroit 9- 9-4-22.

Power-play conversions-Chicago 5-2. Detroit 5-0.

Goaltenders-Chicago, Belfour. Detroit, Cheveldae. A-19,757.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

Washington	0	1	2-3
Toronto	2	2	1-5

First Period-1, Toronto, Reid 8 (unassisted), sh, 8:37. 2, Toronto, Marois 7 (Ellett), pp, 17:19.

Penalties-Ellett, Tor, 7:11; Kypreos, Wash, 16:09.

Second Period-3, Washington, Bondra 5 (Leach, Hatcher), 12:42. 4, Toronto, Fenton 5 (Richardson), 18:29. 5, Toronto, Damphousse 9 (Ramage, Hannan), 18:54.

Penalties-Ramage, Tor, 0:33; Murray, Wash, 4:35; Kypreos, Wash, 11:11; Iafrate, Tor, 11:11; Richardson, Tor, 11:11; Tatarinov, Wash, 13:40; Clark, Tor, 13:40; Bergland, Wash, 16:00; Pearson, Tor, 16:00; Hunter, Wash, 18:47; Iafrate, Tor, 19:10; Hunter, Wash, major (fighting), 19:21; Hannan, Tor, major (fighting), 19:21.

Third Period-6, Washington, Pivonka, 5 (Murray, Hatcher), pp, 1:17. 7, Washington, Tatarinov 1 (Hatcher), pp, 6:35. 8, Toronto, Reid 9 (Damphousse, Iafrate), 12:57.

Penalties-Clark, Tor, 6:23; Hunter, Wash, 6:35; Hannan, Tor, 6:35; Hunter, Wash, 10:18; Richardson, Tor, 14:43; Hunter, Wash, 15:26; Ramage, Tor, 15:26; Rouse, Wash (major, fighting), 18:14; Clark, Tor, major (fighting), 18:14; Tatarinov, Wash, 19:30.

Shots on goal-Washington 14-12-9-35. Toronto 11-5-11-27.

Power-play conversions-Washington 5-3. Toronto 5-1.

Goaltenders-Washington, Hrivnak, Liut (20:00 third period). Toronto, Reese. A-16, 382.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Vancouver	1	2	0-3
Edmonton	1	2	2-5

First period-1, Vancouver, Linden 10 (Quinn), 1:31. 2, Edmonton, Tikkanen 4 (Messier, Huddy), 19:05.

Penalties-Lamb, Edm, 1:31; Lowe, Edm, 5:52; S. Smith, Edm, 8:44; Graves, Edm, 10:30; Butcher, Van, 19:38.

Second period-3, Vancouver, Linden 11 (Quinn, Capuano), pp, 14:10. 4, Edmonton Simpson 7 (Joseph), 15:38. 5, Edmonton, S. Smith 4 (Messier, Anderson), 17:54. 6, Vancouver, Kron 3 (Nordmark, Guy), 18:39.

Penalties-Lumme, Van, 6:34; Buchberger, Edm, 13:56; Van, bench minor (served by Capuano), 17:07; Skriko, Van, 17:27.

Third period-7, Edmonton, Gelinas 3 (Graves, Buchberger), 11:00. 8, Edmonton, Messier 1 (Tikkanen, Huddy), 19:28.

Penalties-Nordmark, Van, 2:23; Bradley, Van, 6:35; Muni, Edm, 6:35; Nordmark, Van, 8:36; Lumme, Van, 12:45; Guy, Van, 14:43; Messier, Edm, 14:43; Klima, Edm 15:12;

Shots on goal-Vancouver 11-11-6-28. Edmonton 6-12-8-26.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 7-1. Edmonton 6-0.

Goalies-Vancouver, Gamble. Edmonton, Ranford. A-15,832.

Referee-Andy Van Hollemond.

Buffalo	0	0	2-2
Los Angeles	0	3	1-4

First period-No scoring.

Penalties-Audette, Buf, 4:13; Granato, LA, 5:06; Buf bench (served by Andreychuk), 7:19; Hogue, Buf, 9:37; McSorley, LA, 19:44.

Second period-1, Los Angeles, Gretzky 13 (Breault), 12:53. 2, Los Angeles, Kudelski 8 (Kasper, Robinson), 15:00. 3, Los Angeles, Granato 11 (Gretzky, McSorley), pp, 18:52.

Penalties-Hogue, Buf, 0:46; Ray, Buf, minor, major (fighting), 4:23; Buskas, LA, minor, major (fighting), 4:23; B. Miller, Buf, major (fighting), 5:15; Taylor, LA, major (fighting), 5:15; Benning, LA, 9:50; Hawerchuk, Buf, 16:55; Ray, Buf, 19:26; Blake, LA, 19:26; J. Miller, LA, 19:58; Buf bench (served by Andreychuk), 20:00.

Third period-4, Buffalo, Hawerchuk 3 (Hogue, Bodger), pp, 2:22. 5, Buffalo, Audette 4 (Turgeon), 10:25. 6, Los Angeles, Benning 2 (Robitaille), 14:33.

Penalties-Buskas, LA, 1:44; Kennedy, Buf, 5:40; Buf bench (served by Andreychuk), 18:56.

Shots on goal-Buffalo 4-3-7-14. Los Angeles 16-15-12-43.

Power-play conversions-Buffalo 5-1. Los Angeles 8-1.

Goaltenders-Buffalo, Malarchuk, Puppa (0:00 3rd per). Los Angeles, Berthiaume. A- 16,005.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

ATLANTA (104) Wilkins 9-20 3-4 25, Willis 11-20 5-6 28, Malone 8-14 1-2 17, Battle 5-11 4-5 15, Robinson 3-9 1-3 7, Koncak 2-4 0-1 4, Webb 0-5 0-0 0,

McCormick 1-3 0-0 2, Moncrief 2-5 2-2 6, Ferrell 0-4 0-0 0, Wilson 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 41-98 16-23 104.

PHILADELPHIA (112) Barkley 12-20 9-12 34, Mahorn 5-10 2-4 12, Gminski 5-11 6-7 16, Green 4-9 4-4 12, Hawkins 6-14 5-5 18, Anderson 3-11 0-0 6, Bol 0-1 0-0 0, Payne 3-11 0-0 6, Oliver 4-7 0-0 8. Totals 42-94 26-32 112.

Atlanta	32	19	30	23-104
Philadelphia	31	20	32	29-112

Three-point goals-Wilkins 4, Willis, Battle, Barkley, Hawkins. Fouled out-Willis, Koncak, Mahorn. Total fouls-Atlanta 27, Philadelphia 20. Rebounds-Atlanta 64 (Malone 13), Philadelphia 58 (Barkley 13). Assists-Atlanta 21 (Battle 5), Philadelphia 17 (Green 6). Technicals-Willis, Wilkins, Battle, Mahorn. A-13,613.

MILWAUKEE (95)

Roberts 2-7 2-2 6, Brickowski 2-6 5-5 9, Sikma 4-8 2-2 11, Robertson 1-11 1-2 3, Humphries 5-16 5-7 16, Pierce 6-21 11-12 23, Lohaus 4-8 0-0 8, Grayer 2-7 3-5 7, Schayes 5-8 2-2 12, Kornet 0-1 0-0 0, Anderson 0-0 0-0 0, Henson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 31-93 31-37 95.

NEW JERSEY (112)

Morris 7-21 4-6 18, Coleman 7-14 6-7 20, Bowie 6-16 1-2 13, Blaylock 7-16 4-4 18, Conner 0-2 4-4 4, Dudley 5-6 2-3 12, Gervin 5-8 2-4 12, Haley 2-3 2-2 6, Lee 1-2 2-2 4, Buechler 2-4 1-2 5, George 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-92 28-36 112.

Milwaukee	18	33	22	22- 95
New Jersey	21	34	23	34-112

Three-point goals-Sikma, Humphries. Fouled out-Robertson. Total fouls-Milwaukee 31, New Jersey 29. Rebounds-Milwaukee 51 (Sikma 9), New Jersey 53 (Bowie 14). Assists-Milwaukee 8 (Pierce 4), New Jersey 19 (Blaylock 10). A-6,424.

INDIANA (95)

Thompson 2-8 0-0 4, Person 8-15 3-4 20, Smits 6-13 2-3 14, Miller 5-13 3-3 13, M.Williams 3-8 1-2 7, Schrempf 6-11 4-5 16, Sanders 0-1 0-0 0, McCloud 1-1 0-0 2, Fleming 4-10 7-10 15, K.Williams 1-7 2-2 4, Wittman 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 36-87 22-29 95.

CLEVELAND (113)

Nance 6-13 2-2 14, Brown 4-10 2-2 10, Daugherty 7-10 1-5 15, Paddio 5-13 0-0 10, Price 8-12 7-7 25, J.Williams 9-13 1-2 19, Ehlo 3-7 3-4 11, Kerr 1-1 0-0 2

Ferry 2-2 3-4 7. Totals 45-81 19-26 113.

Indiana	18	20	29	28- 95
Cleveland	23	33	25	32-113

Three-point goals-Person, Price 2, Ehlo 2. Fouled out-Thompson. Total fouls-Indiana 25, Cleveland 23. Rebounds-Indiana 38 (Person, Schrempf 10), Cleveland 45 (J.Williams 12). Assists-Indiana 22 (Person 6), Cleveland 32 (Price 13). Technicals-Cleveland (illegal defense). A-11,799.

DALLAS (93)

English 2-9 2-2 6, Williams 3-8 1-2 7, Donaldson 3-6 0-0 6, Blackman 8-20 2-3 18, Harper 12-27 4-7 30, McCray 4-7 1-2 9, Davis 2-5 1-2 5, Shasky 0-2 0-0 0, White 5-9 2-2 12. Totals 39-93 13-21 93.

MIAMI (105)

Kessler 2-5 2-2 6, Rice 1-6 0-0 2, Seikaly 9-17 12-26 30, Douglas 2-7 2-2 6, Edwards 9-21 1-1 19, Davis 2-8 1-2 5, Coles 5-8 3-3 13, Burton 11-20 2-3 24, Long 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 41-93 23-39 105.

Dallas	15	33	26	19- 93
Miami	23	25	24	33-105

Three-point goals-Harper 2. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Dallas 27, Miami 20. Rebounds-Dallas 45 (Williams, McCray 8), Miami 66 (Seikaly 21). Assists-Dallas 23 (Harper 8), Miami 29 (Coles 9). Technicals- none. A-15,008.

CHARLOTTE (126)

Newman 4-10 5-6 14, Gilliam 10-24 4-4 24, Reid 11-15 4-5 26, Bogues 4-9 1-1 9, Chapman 10-15 5-5 26, Tripucka 1-6 0-0 2, Curry 3-4 1-1 7, Gattison 2-4 4-4 8, Gill 4-6 2-2 10, Keys 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 49-93 26-28 126.

BOSTON (135)

Bird 18-28 9-9 45, Gamble 10-14 6-8 26, Parish 2-6 2-4 6, Shaw 1-5 6-6 8, Lewis 9-14 3-3 21, McHale 8-11 5-5 21, Kleine 3-3 0-0 6, Brown 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 52-82 31-35 135.

Charlotte	32	35	24	35-126
Boston	37	32	35	31-135

Three-point goals-Newman 1, Chapman 1. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Charlotte 28, Boston 20. Rebounds-Charlotte 34 (Gilliam, Reid 8), Boston 40 (McHale 10). Assists-Charlotte 23 (Bogues 9), Boston 35 (Shaw, Gamble 9). Technicals-Boston illegal defense 3. A-14,890.

PHOENIX (102)

Chambers 9-24 6-8 24, Rambis 3-5 2-2 8, West 2-6 4-6 8, K. Johnson 3-10 8-9 14 Hornacek 5-11 3-3 13, Majerle 1-9 2-2 5, Nealy 0-0 0-0 0, E. Johnson 6-13 0-1 13, Perry 1-5 0-0 2, Ceballos 3-5 2-2 8, Battle 2-6 3-4 7. Totals 35-94 30-37 102.

LA CLIPPERS (108)

Norman 11-17 0-0 22, Smith 12-28 3-3 27, Benjamin 9-18 1-3 19, Grant 4-9 0-0 8 Kimble 4-7 2-2 10, Garland 1-5 2-3 4, Vaught 2-5 2-2 6, Ball 0-1 0-0 0, Garrick 6-11 0-0 12, Martin 0-2 0-0 0, Bannister 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 49-103 10-13 108.

Phoenix	26	28	23	25-102
LA Clippers	31	25	31	21-108

Three-point goals-Majerle, E. Johnson. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Phoenix 17, LA Clippers 27. Rebounds-Phoenix 46 (West 11), LA Clippers 54 (Benjamin 16). Assists-Phoenix 22 (K. Johnson 13), LA Clippers 31 (Grant 10). Technical-LA Clippers (illegal defense). A-11,812.

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(NOV 15) - U.S. crude oil surged nearly $1 a barrel in the final minutes of trading Thursday as a jumpy market interpreted a statement by Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak as indicating a war in the Middle East was near.

The benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for December delivery ended the day down 4 cents from Wednesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange at $31.12 a barrel, after having traded as high as $31.85. Volume Thursday was a heavy 110,020 contracts.

''There was a tremendous amount of trading at the close,'' said Stephanie Rzasa, a trader at Dean Witter Reynolds International Energy Futures Group in New York.

Rzasa said prices zoomed from about $30.15 to $31.50 a barrel in the last 15 minutes before settling back. About 75 cents of the rise was compressed into two minutes of trading, she said.

Shortly before the market closed, stories hit the trading floor of Mubarak saying he had asked President Bush to postpone for three months military action to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

Mubarak told reporters after returning from talks in Damascus with Syrian

leader Hafez Assad that he requested the delay in any strike to give Iraqi President Saddam Hussein time to change his mind and withdraw from Kuwait.

But ''the market interpreted the statement as Mubarak as possibly covering himself from looking like a hawk in case there is an attack. It interpreted the statement to mean war is more imminent than thought,'' said Thomas Blakeslee of Pegasus Econometrics Group in Hoboken, N.J.

This triggered, he said, a wave of profit taking on ''short'' positions, which traders had staked out earlier in anticipation of lower prices.

Even though the market was spooked by the Mubarak story, traders said they expected WTI prices to again test the $30-a-barrel support level on Friday or on Monday, when trading of the December delivery contract expires.

If the $30 level is breached, they said the December contract could fall as low as $27 a barrel before it expires.

Until midday, Merc crude prices were supported by the start of a huge joint U.S.-Saudi amphibious operation in eastern Saudi Arabia, near the border of Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, and by a statement by Mubarak accusing Iraq of foiling hopes of working out a peaceful settlement at an early Arab summit.

But downward pressure exerted by the weight of ample world supplies began to be felt as afternoon trading progressed, with the Merc hitting new lows on the day of $30.10 a barrel. ''There was a steady erosion'' until near the end, said Rzasa.

Products ended the day narrowly mixed on the Merc. December heating oil was up 0.03 cent to 86.67 cents a gallon, while unleaded gasoline fell 0.23 cent to 80.16 cents a gallon.

Blakeslee saw significance in gasoline moving up for a time through the $4 barrier in the ''crack spread'' between the wholesale price of gasoline and the price of crude from which is it is made. He said this should encourage refiners to increase production.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent gained 13 cents to $31.60 a barrel.

United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - climbed 25 cents to $27.30 a barrel.

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HELSINKI, Finland (NOV. 15) UPI - A Soviet hijacker gave himself up to Finnish police Thursday after forcing a civilian domestic Soviet airliner with

72 people on board to land at Helsinki's Vantaa airport, police said.

Police said the 31-year-old man had threatened to blow up the Tupolev aircraft during a flight from Moscow to Leningrad early Thursday unless the captain diverted the aircraft to Sweden.

Police who searched the aircraft at Helsinki, where the plane landed instead, said they found no explosives.

All 66 passengers and six crew aboard the aircraft, which included two American citizens, a Canadian and a Briton, were reported safe and were expected to continue their disrupted journey to Leningrad later in the day.

Neither the names of the passengers and crew, nor the hijacker were released.

Police said the hijacker had given himself up to police immediately upon landing in Helsinki and had asked for asylum. The reason for Thursday's hijacking remained unclear.

Thursday's hijacking was the fourth to Helsinki of a Soviet domestic airliner this year. Two of the hijackers have been returned to the Soviet Union to face trial, while a third awaits the decision of the Finnish courts on a Soviet extradition request.

Two other hijackings have taken place to Sweden this year. One of those who hijacked a plane to Sweden has been returned to the Soviet Union, the other was deemed unfit to serve a sentence in a Soviet jail and is serving a sentence in Sweden.

He will be extradited to the Soviet Union after serving that sentence.

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MANILA, Philippines (NOV. 15) UPI - Super typhoon Mike dealt severely damaged Cebu city, the country's second most important commercial center, and a senator Thursday likened the damage to the blast of an atomic bomb.

The military office said 103 people were killed, 84 missing and presumed dead, and 107 injured when Mike slammed into the central Philippines Tuesday with peak winds of 150 mph.

News reports put the death toll at more than 250 and included a report by radio station DYHP of 116 deaths in Cebu island. However, DYHP said only seven bodies had been recovered among the fatalities, mostly victims of landslides.

Officials said they expected the toll of lives to go up once damaged communications to isolated communities were restored.

''It was like we were hit by an atomic bomb,'' said Senator John Osmena, who returned to Manila Thursday after a tour of Cebu, where he once served as mayor.

''There is no electric post standing, no tree stands, no light, no water, no telephone, no gasoline,'' Osmena said.

He said he had been trying to get in touch with officials in Manila to order the suspension of school classes in Cebu to enable some 100,000 students from all over the region to go to their respective homes and allow officials to undertake rehabilitation measures swiftly.

Cebu is the heart of communications, commercial and transport operations in central and southern Philippines. Airlines from Japan and Singapore fly directly to Cebu, famous for its golden beaches and one of the few thriving urban centers in the nation hard hit by the Gulf crisis and political and economic uncertainties.

Mike, the strongest typhoon to hit the country in nine years, was the latest in a string of calamities to hound President Corazon Aquino this year. The country earlier was hit by drought, monsoon floods and a devastating earthquake that killed 1,600 people.

Aquino has declared an emergency in 31 of the country's 73 provinces ravaged by the typhoon.

Officials said Mike walloped the string of central islands producing rice, coconut and sugar before leaving the country Wednesday and heading toward Vietnam with vastly weakened center winds.

The Social Welfare department said more than 1 million people were evacuated to town halls, schools and churces at the height of the storm. More than half a million of these people lost their homes. Hundreds of government buildings also were destroyed.

The Philippine Navy said 57 vessels seeking shelter in the region's ports sank and 28 others ran aground, including the research vessel Calypso operated by French Oceanographer Jacques Costeau who was not in the country. The Calypso's crew were unharmed, the Navy said.

The Navy said 46 of the ill-fated vessels sank in the Cebu port. A Korean vessel rammed the base of the 60-meter bridge linking Mactan International Airport to Cebu city, damaging the span.

The damage prevented authorities from transporting gasoline from Mactan depots to Cebu, paralyzing transport in the city.

In Negros island, officials said they expected sugar production would be reduced by 10 percent.

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MANILA, Philippines (NOV. 15) UPI - Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus said Thursday the Philippines favors phasing out U.S. control of the Subic Bay Naval Base over a period of five to seven years starting in 1991 when its lease expires.

Manglapus also told a news conference the Philippines planned to take ''sovereign control'' of Clark Air Base and four smaller facilities upon the termination of the 1947 treaty covering the strategic installations on Sept. 16, 1991.

However, Manglapus stressed no agreement has been reached with the United States.

A second round of bases talks closed last week and discussions were expected to resume next month. Both U.S. and Philippine negotiators were hopeful an agreement would be hammered out by January.

Chief U.S. Negotiator Richard Armitage has proposed a 10-to-12-year phase out of its facilites to run at the end of the current leases and a limited presence after the transition period.

''The 10 to 12 years would fall within our consideration, but our preference is five to seven years,'' Manglapus said.

''We are taking control of all facilities except Subic,'' said Manglapus. He referred to ''sovereign control'' and said ''American personnel will continue to operate some facilities which are so sensitive.''

Clark, home of the 13th Air Force, and Subic, a repair and logistics center for the Seventh Fleet, are the oldest and largest U.S. overseas bases.

Manglapus said during the transition period he expected the United States to begin training Filipino personnel who would eventually take over commercial operation of the facilities that would continue to be made available to the United States.

Manglapus indicated that in the case of Subic, the Americans will be allowed to use the facilities from five to seven years after September 1991 and the Filipinos will take over after that period.

U.S. embassy spokesman Stanley Schrager said he considered Manglapus's statement a Philippine counter-offer. ''That is what negotiations are all

about,'' he said.

A Philippine statement at the close of the second round of talks saying Manila would yield operational control of the facilities to the Americans while taking sovereign control was regarded by diplomatic observers as a good sign the two panels may be close to an accommodation.

Manglapus indicated during his news conference that only the Camp John Hay rest and recreation facility in the mountain resort of Baguio would revert to the Philippines in September 1991.

He said the Philippines had been assured by the United States it would no longer insist on ''unhampered'' use of the facilities, a provision he said was inserted in the bases pact in 1983.

Any arrangement between the two countries however requires approval by the Philippine Senate, where majority of the members regard the bases as a remnant of American colonial rule and a diminution of national sovereignty.

Washington provides the Philippines $481 million in aid annually for use of the facilities, manned by some 40,000 troops, defense department employees and dependents.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 15) UPI - A Leningrad pipe fitter accused of firing shots at a Red Square parade last week has told investigators that he intended to assassinate President Mikhail Gorbachev, the KGB said Thursday.

The KGB also disclosed that Alexander Shmonov, who is being held in custody of the security police, stood only 150 feet away from Gorbachev and other Soviet leaders when he allegedly fired two shots during the Revolution Day celebrations. Earlier reports said 650 feet separated the gunman from the president.

Police Sgt. Andrei Mylnikov, who claims to have helped disarm the gunman at the annual Nov. 7 parade, said that Shmonov stated during a preliminary interrogration: ''I wanted to kill Gorbachev.''

KGB Col. Pyotr Sokolov said that Shmonov had written a note describing his intentions, which was found in his pocket after the incident in which two shots were fired at Red Square in the heart of Moscow.

''The note was prepared in advance in case of his death during the assassination attempt,'' the official Tass news agency said. ''In the note Shmonov explictly set out his criminal intentions as regards the Soviet president.''

Shmonov, desribed over the weekend as an anti-Communist active in radical political causes, had prepared for the alleged assassination attempt for two years and practiced rapid-fire target shooting, Tass said.

Gorbachev, Russian Federation leader Boris Yeltsin and other dignitaries had just led a civilian march across Red Square and returned to their viewing stand atop the mausoleum of Soviet state founder Vladimir Lenin when two shots rang out.

Shmonov, 38, has been charged with trying to commit a terrorist act under a criminal code that specifies assassination of ''a state or social figure or representative of authority.''

''The KGB investigator (Sokolov) believes that the terrorist act could have had very serious consequences,'' Tass said. ''At the time of the shooting, Shmonov was only 46 meters away from the mausoleum, and his rifle was loaded with .16-caliber bullets.''

The assertion contradicted earlier published claims that the weapon lacked the capacity to reach Gorbachev because the gunman stood too far from the president.

Soviet newspapers have thrown themselves into a frenzied competition to produce details of the sensational incident on the anniverary of the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution, publishing a number of conflicting reports in the past week.

The weapon fired at Red Square was initially described as a sawed-off shotgun, but more recent accounts called it a double-barreled hunting rifle.

Some reports have said that police grabbed the weapon and jerked it upward just as two shots were fired, but others said the shots were fired just before the gun was seized. No one was reported hurt in the incident.

The Sovetskaya Rossiya newspaper said Saturday that Shmonov had distributed ''anti-Communist leaflets'' in Kolpino, the city near Leningrad where he worked at a giant factory.

Tass, however, said that since spring he circulated ''leaflets and letters threatening Soviet state leaders,'' raising the question of why authorities allowed such activity to continue for six months.

Sergei Ovchinnikov, another Moscow policeman who claims to have helped disarm Shmonov, described him earlier this week as ''dark- complexioned, unshaven and nervous'' at the time of the shooting.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 15) UPI - A sacred Zuni Indian artifact has been returned to its rightful owners by a Philadelphia anthropology museum, museum officials said Wednesday.

The Zuni war god, a two-and-a-half foot tall carved wooden image of a man's face, was hand-carried to a reservation in New Mexico by tribal officials this week, said Pam Kosty of the University Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology.

The artifact is the 41st war god to be returned to the Zunis since 1978, when the tribe began an organized effort to recover the totems from museums and collections across the country.

Museum associate director Gregory Possehl said the museum has had the 100-year-old artifact, used in annual Zuni religious rites, since 1902. After the rite, the war gods are left in shrines to deteriorate, said Possehl, and Zunis believe their removal could cause earthquakes, fires and other calamities.

"We have seen photographs were there were tens of these war gods in various repositories on Zuni lands," said Possehl. "They looked like they were free for the picking, so people took them home and they made their way into museums.

"In the Zuni way that is a sacrilege," Possehl said. "They (the tribe) present a very strong case that these items should be returned to their shrines."

The war god was repatriated to the Zuni reservation by Zuni Bow Priest Perry Tsadiasi, who performed a special ceremony Monday at the museum before taking the artifact back to its home.

Possehl said this is the first time the museum has returned an artifact to a native group, and may not be the last under a new federal law. The law will require museums across the country to inventory their holdings and inform Native American tribes of their inventory. The tribes will then be able to request the return of remains and other items.

"It would be my presumption that since we're a very old institution and have a rich holding of Native American materials, we will be approached for repatriation," Possehl said. Museums have five years to complete their inventories.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I brings you the latest news.

Authorities in Zurich, Switzerland, confirm that all 46 people aboard an Italian airlines D-C-9 were killed yesterday when the jetliner crashed just before landing at Zurich's international airport. A police spokesman says the plane exploded on the side of a wooded hill about five miles north of the airport.

Defense Secretary Cheney is authorizing the activation of up to 72-thousand-500 more members of the National Guard and Reserve. The latest move, which was NOT expected, will enable the military to dip further into reserve forces if necessary to support operations in and around Saudi Arabia.

Former Wall Street speculator John Mulheren Junior remains free on bail after he was sentenced yesterday to one year and a day in prison for conspiring to illegally manipulate stock prices. Mulheren was also fined more than one-point-six Million dollars. His lawyer says he'll appeal Mulheren's conviction.

NASA engineers this morning will begin fueling the shuttle Atlantis in preparation for this evening's hush-hush mission to launch a spy satellite. Officials expect NONE of the crippling hydrogen fuel leaks that grounded Atlantis's flight in July. If all goes well, sources say the five-man crew plans to take off at 6:46 p-m, eastern time.

A New York attorney says the possibility of bankruptcy remains strong for Donald Trump's Taj Mahal casino. A midnight deadline looms for payment of 47 Million-dollars in interest on bonds for the casino. If Trump fails, as is expected, it could go into default. Bondholder legal adviser Robert Miller says he's peessimistic about the possibility of an 11th-hour deal.

The 28-year-old son of Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan Junior is behind bars this morning on charges of raping a woman whose home he allegedly broke into in suburban Washington. Robert Jeffrey Lujan is being held at Alexandria City Jail in Virginia. He's scheduled for arraignment today. Police say the woman's apartment is located in the same high-rise luxury condominium where Lujan lives with his parents.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - Sunny skies and record warm temperatures spread across the Great Plains, Midwest and eastern United States Thursday as fog socked in New Orleans and the Pacific Northwest remained soggy and cool.

Indian summer was expected to send temperatures soaring into the 70s as far north as Chicago and throughout the South and Middle Atlantic states as clear skies prevailed throughout the huge area.

Temperatures rose quickly through the morning in Indiana and were expected to

hit record highs, while forecasters predicted temperatures in the 70s and windy weather for Missouri.

Showers continued in the already sopping Pacific Northwest with southerly winds reaching 20 mph, while to the south, partly cloudy skies and local fog covered Southern California.

The thermometer dipped down into the mid 30s during the night in Denver where clear skies prevailed, and morning clouds covered south Texas, where highs were expected to touch 80.

Small craft advisories were in effect along the western coast of Florida from Cape Sable to Tarpon springs and off the coast of New England from the Merrimack River in Massachusetts to Watch Hill, R.I., due to high winds and rough seas.

Dense fog blanketed the New Orleans metropolitian area south of Lake Pontchartrain with visibility in the city's airport reported near zero.

Along the East coast, warm weather extended from the South through New England with temperatures expected to reach 70 in Baltimore and in Boston, where the day's record of 71 degrees has stood since 1956.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak says he has asked the United States to refrain from any military action against Iraq for three months. Mubarak talked with reporters when he returned from Cairo after two days of talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad in Damascus. Mubarak says he made the request to give Iraqi President Saddam Hussein time to change his mind and withdraw from Kuwait.

In the Persian Gulf region, about one-thousand Marines are taking part in joint exercises with the Saudi Arabia air force, navy and marines. The exercise including a Marine beach landing. The Pentagon says the most forward unit in the operation- dubbed ''Imminent Thunder''- will be a small Marine unit with tanks that will be about 25 miles south of the Saudi border with Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Cable News Network asked the U-S Supreme Court to overturn a lower- court order that bars it from airing taped telephone conversations between deposed dictator Manuel Noriega and his defense attorneys. The network filed an emergency appeal with Justice Arthur Kennedy, who gave the Justice Department and Noriega's attorneys until noon Saturday to respond to the cable network's arguments.

The federal Centers for Disease Control says the number of Americans with the

most common form of diabetes rose 17 percent between 1980 and 1987, the latest year for which figures are available. The center's report today says blacks and white males showed the most dramatic increase in the incidence of Typeinsulin dependent, diabetes. The number of people with the disease climbed from an estimated five- point-eight-Million to six-point-eight-Million. The report says diabetes among men jumped 33 percent during the seven-year period, while the number of cases involving black men jumped 16 percent.

President Bush signed a historic clean-air bill into law today, fulfilling a campaign pledge and calling it ''a red-letter day for all Americans'' concerned abou the environment. The measure will affect virtually every major American industry in a 25-year program to cut pollutants that contribute to acid rain, ozone depletion and toxic waste.

A consumer advocate is warning that toys modeled after the sewer- dwelling Teen-Age Mutant Ninja Turtles and the incorrigible Bart Simpson could lead to serious injuries. Attorney Edward Swartz is out with his 19th annual list of the ''10 worst toys'' for Christmas. He says the temptation to use a ''Teen-age Mutuant Ninja Turtles Pizza Thrower'' on people and animals may be too great for children. And he says ''Bart Simpson's Hang Arounds'' is a 13-inch lightweight nylon doll that is recommended for hanging from bike handlebars, where it could get tangled in bike parts and cause an accident.

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BATON ROUGE, LA (NOV. 15) UPI - Louisiana State football coach Mike Archer said Thursday he will resign after the final game of the season Nov. 24 against Tulane, ending speculation he would be fired.

Archer, whose team is 4-5 in the current season, said he made the decision about 3 a.m. Thursday morning and was not pressured to quit.

''I must emphasize I was under no political pressure to resign,'' Archer told a news conference. ''This is a decision that has been reached today between myself, my family, the chancellor and the athletic director.''

The announcement came a day after two Baton Rouge television stations reported they had learned Archer would be fired after the Tulane game.

Chancellor William Davis and Athletic Director Joe Dean denied a decision had been made and said the reports forced the issue.

''The reporting of rumors as absolute fact by some news media has created a series of circumstances in which Coach Archer feels he can no longer be effective as head coach and perform his duties as leader of the LSU football program,'' Davis said.

Both he and Dean issued statements saying they regretted the fact Archer was leaving, and reiterated previous statements they had made no decision to fire him. They said their evaluations of Archer and the football program would not have been made until the end of the season.

Archer, in his fourth season after succeeding Bill Arnsparger, sounded resigned to his fate on a radio talk show Wednesday night. During the show he related how LSU Sports Information Director Herb Vincent told him during practice a television station was going to report he would be fired.

The report said the decision to fire Archer was made after LSU's 24-3 loss to Alabama.

Archer said he was not contacted about the report by Dean, who had steadfastly denied a decision already had been made to fire him.

''It doesn't make you feel very good. It doesn't make you feel like you're appreciated, but I guess that's the way we do things around here, '' Archer said on the air. ''I told our football theam that their big thing is that if I'm the coach, fine, if not, they've got to go on and play Mississippi State and Tulane and win for themselves and for LSU. It doesn't make it any easier, but sometimes those things happen in sports.''

Archer, 38, has compiled a 26-17-1 record at LSU. He was the youngest head coach in NCAA Division I-A play when he took over the team from Arnsparger.

LSU football has steadily declined under Archer, dropping from the Southeastern Conference championship and a 9-3 record in Arnsparger's last season in 1986 to a 4-7 mark last year. The Tigers currently are 4- 5.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - A $6.8 billion U.S. court claim against the bankrupt Wall Street firm Drexel Burnham Lambert, copies of which were released Thursday, detailed an alleged conspiracy to ''capture'' savings and loan institutions and foist worthless ''junk'' bonds on them for huge illicit profits.

The sweeping accusations were contained in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court claim filed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and the Resolution Trust Corp., which the U.S. agencies announced late Wednesday after the court's close.

While directed at Drexel, the 239-page document focuses closely on dealings involving Michael Milken, the former junk-bond magnate who faces up to 28 years in prison at his sentencing next week for insider trading, and S&L operators like Charles Keating Jr., set for trial on racketeering charges.

In brief, the government claim alleges Drexel and others ''sought to create an illusion of value in junk bonds'' - high-risk corporate bonds used to finance leveraged buyouts and takeovers. Their risk was supposed to be offset by high interest rates - but some bonds later proved worthless.

Drexel spokesman Stephen Anreder said Wednesday, when the government announced its claim, that the troubled firm was ''a convenient scapegoat for the S&L crisis.'' Drexel would focus on what he said were the federal government's regulatory lapses in its defense, according to Anreder.

''I have a feeling what they've done is taken a lot of old allegations, formed them up and called it a grand conspiracy and multiplied it by three,'' saidattorney Richard Davis of Weil Gotshal & Manges, Drexel's law firm in its bankruptcy proceedings.

In February, Drexel Burnham Lambert Group Inc. filed for Chapter 11 federal bankruptcy protection after it was unable to raise enough fresh capital to recover from junk-bond losses and legal penalties. Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. the firm's main securities subsidiary, filed bankruptcy papers in May.

''I think it's a long way from just putting something down on a piece of paper to be able to prove something in court,'' Davis said, adding: ''There are a lot of reasons why that market went south, not the least of which were government policies and regulators.''

The government alleges Drexel persuaded, coerced or bribed thrift operators to take on large investments in junk bonds. Also, the firm financed and aided in the acquisition, expansion and looting of thrifts by allies like Keating, former head of California's Lincoln Savings and Loan Association, and David Paul, who headed Miami's failed CenTrust Savings Bank.

In one instance involving Lincoln and another thrift, ''Drexel helped Keating with his own fraudulent scheme, which involved siphoning money out of Lincoln into its parent company and eventually into his own pocket'' by creating false profits for Lincoln, the government claim said.

The claim, filed on behalf of 41 institutions, charges Drexel is to blame for $330 million in losses sustained by these failed thrifts, which ''continue to hold junk bonds with an original cost of over $2.5 billion on which they will certainly lose additional hundreds of millions of dollars,'' according to the government.

Failed S&Ls concerned in the case also include: Columbia Savings, Englewood, Colo.; Gibraltar Savings, Beverly Hills, Calif.; Imperial Savings Association, San Diego; and MeraBank of Phoenix.

The claim is to be pursued by lawyers from the FDIC and the RTC working with the New York law firms of Cravath, Swaine & Moore and Thacher, Proffitt & Wood.

The U.S. claim alleges that ''Drexel and its co-conspirators targeted the S&Ls because federal deposit insurance enabled the S&Ls to amass an enormous pool of capital.'' It also hits corrupt thrift operators, whose ''overarching goal '' the government said, was to ''share in the plunder of their own institutions.''

The claim hinted other targets could emerge, saying: ''At this early stage ... it is not possible to separate the co-conspirators from the victims with certainty.''

Capital provided by Drexel at high interest rates ''forced the burdened S&Ls to invest in highly speculative investments, including but not limited to junk bonds,'' the claim says.

This was ''the foreseeable result of Drexel's financial tactics'' and led to further S&L losses, the government asserted.

Pointing to Drexel's April 1989 guilty plea to felony charges of securities violations and to Milken's April 1990 guilty plea on conspiracy, fraud and other charges, the agencies charged ''Drexel and its co-conspirators were involved in a broad pattern of market manipulation and securities fraud.''

The most serious allegations concern Drexel, Keating and Lincoln Savings. The government took over the thrift in 1989 at a cost to taxpayers of about $2 billion - the biggest single disaster so far in the unfolding S&L catastrophe.

''Drexel enabled Keating to obtain control of Lincoln, provided Keating with kickbacks and assisted Keating with his illegal schemes, in exchange for which Keating caused Lincoln to invest heavily in junk bonds underwritten by Drexel and participate in a variety of other (Drexel) schemes,'' the claim said.

Among other alleged violations, the government said, ''Drexel assisted Keating in orchestrating a complicated fraud involving CenTrust, Lincoln and others,'' in which Lincoln-held stock was transferred to American Continental Corp., Lincoln's Phoenix-based parent, at an artifically low price, giving American Continental a $22.67 million profit.

The federal agencies said Lincoln, as of the court filing, had sustained losses on junk bonds of at least $32 million and still held Drexel junk bonds that it had purchased for just over $300 million.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 438.72, off 0.88 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - The Justice Department Thursday announced it had returned a record 134 indictments in fiscal 1990 against individuals and corporations accused of violating environmental laws.

Attorney General Dick Thornburgh said the department surpassed by 33 percent its indictment rate in 1989. The department prosecuted 95 percent of those cases and settled out of court the remainder.

''During (1990) 78 percent of our indictments were against corporations and their top officers,'' Thornburgh said. ''More than half of the individuals convicted for environmental crimes this year were given prison sentences and 84 percent of these are actually serving real jail time,'' he said in a statement.

Over the last eight years, the department has obtained 517 plea agreements and convictions and secured more than $56 million in criminal fines for environmental crimes, the department said.

Thornburgh planned the joint announcement with Environmental Protection Agency Administrator William Reilly to coincide with President Bush's signature Thursday of a sweeping clean air law.

''I am particularly pleased that the president's proposal for felony provisions under the Clean Air Act was approved by the 101st Congress, because criminal provisions put the teeth into environmental enforcement,'' he said.

''Criminal sanctions are among the most effective deterrents against those who would violate our nation's environmental laws,'' Reilly said.

The Justice Department's Environment and Natural Resources Division employs 25 attorneys - a record number - who work exclusively on criminal environmental cases.

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ROCKVILLE, MD. (NOV. 15) UPI - Makers of electric blankets and computer terminals should be encouraged to reduce the devices' electromagnetic fields due to safety questions, a Food and Drug Administration advisory panel said Thursday.

However, the panel concluded there was not enough evidence to support a recent

call by 18 members of Congress to attach labels to all electric blankets warning that their use may be hazardous to pregnant women and children.

''It is too soon to regulate, but I also think it is too soon to walk away,'' said panel member Mary Moore, a radiology expert from Camden, N.J. Moore was referring to the debate over whether low-level electromagnetic fields created by household appliances, video display terminals and electric power lines may boost the risk of cancer, miscarriages and other health problems.

The 10-member committee said it agreed with the FDA's current tactic of persuading manufacturers of electric blankets and VDTs to voluntarily reduce the strength of the electric and magnetic fields generated by the devices.

Alan Andersen of the FDA's Center for Devices and Radiological Health told the committee that the three U.S. firms that produce electric blankets have all agreed to lower the device's magnetic fields. Technically, it will be harder to lower the blanket's electric fields, he added.

About 4 1/2 to 5 million electric blankets are sold in the United States each year, David McGoldrick of Sunbeam-Northern, which makes such blankets, told the committee.

''We took the action because we are aware of the controversy not because we thought the blankets were unsafe,'' McGoldrick said. ''They provide millions of American's with warmth and a good night's sleep.''

About half of VDT manufacturers have agreed to work on lowering the electrical and magnetic fields of those devices, which are used by workers in everything from banking to word processing, Andersen said.

Although all electrical appliances from shavers to washing machines generate electrical and magnetic fields, Andersen his office is particularly concerned about electric blankets and VDTs because of the power of the fields they generate, how close users are to those fields and how long users are typically exposed.

A motion that would have stated there is no scientific evidence of public health risk from low-level electromagnetic fields did not clear the committee, failing on a 5-5 vote.

That motion was proposed by panel member Edgar Dally, vice president of a CTI Cyclotron Systems, a Berkeley, Calif., firm that makes medical devices that generate intense electromagnetic fields.

Calling the studies that have suggested a link between electromagnetic fields and health woes ''flaky'' and unscientific, Dally said: ''This whole thing is getting out of control. The potential for mass hysteria is there.''

Julia Worden, a panel member and vice president of Continental X-Ray Corp., in Chicago, agreed.

''I'm convinced there is no reason to believe there is any harmful effect from low-level electromagnetic fields,'' Worden said. ''People are worrying about something they don't need to worry about.''

Two scientists who serve on the Electric Utility Health Sciences Committee said their reviews of scientific studies found no link between low-level electromagnetic radiation and health problems, and also turned up no mechanism on how such radiation could inflict damage on living creatures.

But Andersen said the scientific data that has accumulated in the past several years suggesting electromagnetic fields may be a health hazard ''is past the point of being able to discount that information.''

Until more research is conducted, Andersen said he would neither encourage nor discourage consumers from using electric blankets or VDTs. ''It's your call,'' he said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Donald J. Trump and holders of bonds for his Taj Mahal casino, with a default deadline hours away and bankruptcy looming, made a last stab Thursday at negotiating an agreement on restructuring the debt.

There was little likelihood Trump, burdened with debt and strapped for cash, would be able to make a $47 million interest payment due at midnight on the $675 million casino bond issue, sources in the negotiations said.

But the self-professed master of the ''art of the deal'' pursued talks with a steering committee of owners of the bonds on a restructuring pact that, despite a default, could mean Trump would swap an equity stake in the underperforming Atlantic City casino for debt relief.

Late Thursday, negotiations continued between Trump and a steering committee representing many bondholders, according to a source at Rothschild Inc., the New York investment bank advising Taj Mahal bondholders.

Trump Organization spokeswoman Norma Foerderer declined to make any comment.

Trump confidently presided over the April 2 opening of the Taj Mahal - built at a cost of $1 billion - and said then it would resist any economic downturn. But gambling revenues have failed to meet financing and other expenses since then.

If a technical default occurs, it will be the second such event for Trump in

five months. In June, he missed a scheduled interest and principal payment on bonds for his Trump's Castle casino, which faces its own troubles as a result of declining revenues.

A $65 million loan from his banks enabled Trump to make good on that payment of $42 million - but, given his present indebtedness of over $3 billion and tight credit conditions, a second such rescue seemed unlikely.

Sources said earlier it seemed probable the Taj Mahal would go into bankruptcy either voluntarily, for protection from creditors under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, or involuntarily, through a creditor court filing.

But if Trump could find common ground with his bondholders, represented by a New York investment bank and a law firm, talks might be able to continue under the auspices of federal bankruptcy court. The casino could emerge from that ''consensual'' bankruptcy relatively quickly, sources said.

''He's going to default because he doesn't have the money, but the question is can we reach an agreement which would be a consensual one,'' said Robert M. Miller, an attorney of the law firm of Berlack, Israels & Liberman, which is representing Trump's mainly institutional bondholders.

Miller, reached while the talks were in progress at Trump Organization offices in midtown Manhattan, said he was ''cautiously optimistic.''

But if Trump and his investors didn't cut a deal, Millere said, ''the casino would likely fall into a much longer, contentious bankruptcy.''

While both sides would stand to lose in hostile bankruptcy proceedings, most analysts say Trump risks more. In a similar case, entertainer Merv Griffin lost control of his Resorts International casino in Atlantic City to bondholders - although he later bought back in for a significant minority stake.

Trump initially offered bondholders a 19.9 percent stake in the Taj Mahal if they would accept more bonds in place of the interest payment, bring down the interest rate on the bonds to 9 percent from 14 percent and extend the bonds' repayment date to the year 2000 from 1998.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - President Bush said Thursday the U.S. stand against Iraq has harmed an already struggling American economy and that he is worried a protracted showdown in the Persian Gulf could hurt it further.

In an interview with Cable News Network, Bush also said that though he is concerned about the deteriorating economic situation, he is hopeful that if a

recession does occur it will be over in ''six months at most'' - unless the shock to oil prices brought on by the crisis continues.

Bush maintained in his remarks to the network that the nation had yet to technically enter a recession, but he came the closest yet to acknowledging such an economic downturn is in the offing, if not already arrived.

''I think is some regions you can make the case that technicalities or not there's some recession,'' Bush told CNN. ''In some areas it's doing quite well. I am concerned about it.''

His comments came at the close of a second day of meetings with bank regulators, administration economic officials and other industry analysts who were summoned to the White House to discuss the nation's worsening economic plight, especially in light of the tremendous U.S. military buildup underway in the gulf since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

Pointing specifically to spiraling oil costs he said were the result of speculation rather than actual shortages, Bush stressed his concern about the weakening economy and the effect a protracted U.S. presence in the gulf might have on it.

''I do think that the Iraq situation, with this speculative effect on the price of oil, has complicated and worsened our own economy,'' he said. ''I think they are related, and I think, I am worried about the economic slowdown and I'm worried about a continuation in the gulf of this kind of a standoff right now, you might say, adversely affecting our economy further.''

Noting his own discussions earlier in the day, however, he held out optimism and said he wanted to offer some reassurance to Americans.

''I'm not an economist,'' he said. ''But most seem to feel that if we have a recession that meets these technical terms (two consecutive quarters of negative growth), that it will not be deep and that we'll come out of it relatively soon - six months at most.''

''I'd like to think that is true,'' he said, but the Iraqi situation could complicate the picture.

''The oil question that comes from (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein's taking over of Kuwait is a big question mark here,'' he said. ''That is the major question mark in terms of the depth of the slowdown or recession.''

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - The rapid deployment of U.S. military personnel to the Persian Gulf area, and the announcement that the number could double by

early next year, dwarfs the buildup of U.S. military involvement in Vietnam between 1960 and 1973.

Some 230,000 Americans are engaged in Operation Desert Shield, the U.S. show of force in and around Saudi Arabia in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. President Bush announced last week that as many as 200,000 more U.S. troops would be sent to the Middle East.

When President John Kennedy took office in 1961, there were 685 American military personnel in South Vietnam. In 1962, the number of U.S. advisers in South Vietnam increased to 12,000 and by 1963 to 15, 000. By the time Kennedy was assassinated in 1963 there were 16,000 involved in what he had called a ''very important struggle.''

It was under President Lyndon Johnson that the first American combat troops splashed ashore at Da Nang in 1965. Two Marine battalions totaling 3,500 men landed to defend the airfield at Da Nang after the Vietcong attacked U.S. installations. By year's end, U.S. troop strength had reached 200,000.

That number more than doubled in two years to 500,000 in 1967 and rose to 540,000 in 1968 following the Tet offensive when North Vietnamese and Vietcong launched a massive attack on South Vietnam. Approximately 5,000 Americans, 10,000 communists and 40,000 civilians died as a result of the offensive.

Mounting opposition in the United States to a war on the other side of the world eventually forced Johnson out of office - but not before the conflict became an American war with 550,000 U.S. troops in South Vietnam.

Under President Richard Nixon, the process of American withdrawal and ''Vietnamization'' began.

Nixon withdrew 60,000 American troops in 1969. By 1971, U.S. troop strength in Vietnam was down to 140,000.

The last American troops left March 29, 1973 - and some 590 American prisoners of war were released by April 1, though many remained unaccounted for.

U.S. battle deaths numbered 47,752, total war-related deaths 58,022. Another 303,704 were wounded.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak says the United States should postpone military action against Iraq for three months to give Saddam Hussein time to change his mind and withdraw from Kuwait. Mubarak talked to reporters in Cairo after his two-day visit to Damascus, Syria, and on the day U-S and Saudi Arabian forces began a week-long exercise dubbed ''Imminent

Thunder.''

About one-thousand U-S Marines, 16 warships and 11-hundred aircraft were joined by Saudi air force, navy and marine servicemen today in an exercise that included a practice beach landing. Pentagon sources say the most-forward unit in the operation will be a small Marine combat unit equipped with tanks about 25 miles south of the Saudi border with Kuwait.

The Senate ethics committee opened its hearings on the so-called ''Keating Five'' today, and Chairman Howell Heflin of Alabama told the senators that Americans believe the lawmakers traded their ''honor'' and ''good names'' for cash. The five are accused of using their influence in behalf of Charles Keating Junior, operator of a California savings- and-loan that failed to the tune of about two-BILLION dollars. The senators involved are Democrats Alan Cranston of California... Dennis DeConcini of Arizona... John Glenn of Ohio... and Donald Riegle of Michigan and Republican John McCain of Arizona.

Millions of Americans are trying to stay away from that old devil nicotine today... the 14th annual ''Great American Smoke-out'' sponsored by the American Cancer Society. In Willmar, Minnesota, a bank was giving out free cold turkey sandwiches to anyone who turned in their cigarettes. In New York City, cowboy Mark Allen showed smokers a novel way of giving up the weed. He removed cigarettes from his mouth with a bullwhip.

The Republican National Committee laid off about 25 percent of its work force today in what officials termed a ''re-structuring'' after the mid-term elections. The committee said in a statement that about 75 jobs were cut in gearing down from the mid-term balloting and gearing up for the 1992 presidential election cycle. The committee has about 300 full- time employees.

The owner of the nation's largest farm-animal sanctuary is promoting an Adopt-A-Turkey program for people who are interested in saving the animals who have little to be thankful on Thanksgiving Day. Laurie Boston of the Farm Sanctuary in Watkins Glen, New York, says candidates will have to pass an adoption application and only vegetarians need apply.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (NOV. 15) UPI - Turning night into day, the shuttle Atlantis thundered into orbit atop a sky-lighting pillar of flame Thursday to launch a Pentagon spy satellite in the seventh and last top- secret shuttle flight.

Ending an era of clandestine shuttle operations, Atlantis and its five-man crew took off from the Kennedy Space Center at 6:48 p.m. EST under a cloak of secrecy, four months behind schedule because of an elusive hydrogen fuel leak that blocked a launch in July.

The $2 billion space shuttle climbed through a clear night sky atop a 600-foot jet of flame from its solid-fuel boosters, generating enough light to read the small print in a newspaper 3 1/2 miles away. Launch came two minutes later than originally expected.

''Roll program, Houston!'' commander Richard Covey radioed mission control as the shuttle wheeled about to line up on the proper trajectory.

Joining Air Force Col. Covey, 44, for the mission were Navy Cmdr. Frank Culbertson, 41, the co-pilot, Army Maj. Charles Gemar, 35, Air Force Lt. Col. Carl Meade, 39, and Marine Corps Col. Robert Springer, 48.

Eight and a half minutes after liftoff, Atlantis slipped into its planned preliminary orbit after a flawless ride to space.

''Spectacular!'' radioed Covey to mission control.

''Main engines have cut off as planned. Atlantis now 768 nautical miles downrange,'' said NASA commentator Jeffrey Carr. ''The powered phase of flight was picture perfect.''

While radio traffic between Atlantis and mission control was blacked out, reporters were able to monitor a backup UHF radio channel from the orbiter to listen in on the crew during ascent.

The flight marks the seventh and last fully classified Department of Defense shuttle mission currently planned by NASA and the Defense Department.

Two more Air Force shuttle missions are planned next year, but the payloads of both have been declassified, a move that will eliminate the need for elaborate security procedures at NASA and save the Air Force $80 million a year, according to a Pentagon source who asked not to be named.

The goal of Atlantis's flight is still classified, but the shuttle was thought to be carrying a spy satellite that may be used to support Desert Shield operations in the Persian Gulf region after the spacecraft is checked out, a procedure that typically takes a month or more.

Reporters and outside space experts, drawing on a variety of sources, speculated before launch that Atlantis's payload was either a photo-reconnaissance satellite or an electronic eavesdropping spy station capable of intercepting military communications.

While details about the satellite could not be immediately confirmed, NASA Administrator Richard Truly said last month Atlantis was scheduled ''to fly a crucial, particularly these days crucial, national security mission,'' strongly hinting the payload will be used in the Iraqi crisis in some fashion.

Atlantis's landing date will not be revealed until 24 hours before touchdown at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. But sources who requested anonymity said the mission is scheduled to last three days, 23 hours and 55 minutes.

Symbolically, the end of classified shuttle operations reflects a Pentagon shift away from NASA's manned spaceplane in favor of unmanned rockets like a $173 million Titan 4 launched Monday that successfully boosted a military satellite into orbit.

By relying on fleets of Titan 4s, Delta 2s and Atlas 2 rockets, the Air Force will be relatively immune to the long launch delays that would be associated with the loss of another shuttle because of active production lines supplying a steady stream of launchers for Defense Department use.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange fell sharply in thin trading Thursday on selling by individual investors.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which eased 36.23 points Wednesday, lost 449.96 points to 23,487.48.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all listed major shares, which dipped 2.72 points Wednesday, dropped 24.43 points to 1,745.87.

An estimated 300 million shares changed hands, compared with 340 million shares Wednsday.

Declines outpaced advances 756 to 244, while 125 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices fell in lackluster trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as dealers took profits after strong gains posted earlier in the week.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index dropped 16.35 points to 2,990.47. The fall followed broke a three-day, 74-point rally.

Among the narrower indexes, financials were off 13.93 points, utilities shed 12.32, industrials dropped 9.68 and properties plunged 44.83 points.

Volume was thin as an estimated 886 million shares changed hands, down sharply from 1 billion shares on Wednesday.

In Singapore, stocks closed mixed in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange following the drop in Tokyo.

The Straits Times Industrial Index rose 1.59 points to 1,116.41. The broader-based All Singapore Index slipped 0.58 point to 310.77.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 27.5 million shares.

Analysts said the market was still very cautious amid the tense situation in the Middle East.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stock prices closed slightly higherin thin trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index gained 3.71 points to 655.84.

Trading remained light as an estimated 1.3 billion Thai shares changed hands.

Advances edged out declines 70 to 50.

In Australia, stocks closed steady in light trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index added 0.1 point to 1,345.3 - after trading within a narrow nine-point range.

The All Industrials Index rose 2.8 points to 2,009.4, while the All Resources Index fell 1.7 point to 828.7.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 84.5 million shares.

Declines edged out advances 117 to 113, while 188 stocks remained unchanged.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled a seasonally adjusted 448,000 for the week ending Nov. 3, an increase of 5,000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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GDANSK, POLAND (NOV. 15) UPI - Lech Walesa, the Solidarity founder who is running for president, said Thursday if elected he would fire some advisers of Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki as ''inexperienced boy scouts'' but would continue his rival's basic economic austerity plan.

In an interview with United Press International, Walesa sought to dispel concerns of both the Polish and foreign business communities that he might try to unravel the economic stabilization plan of Finance Minister Leszek Balcerowicz.

The program, begun Jan. 1, tamed hyperinflation by cutting government spending and imposing stiff penalty taxes on wage increases, but at the cost of a 40 percent drop in Poles' standard of living.

Inflation, which had dropped to about 2 percent a month this year, has begun creeping up again recently, reaching 5.7 percent in October, government figures show. Wages have jumped 20 percent since August.

Unemployment has risen sharply as industries try to become self- sufficient after the loss of state subsidies, and, after a year of relative labor peace, protest strikes for higher pay are growing.

''There are strikes in Krakow and other places and nobody can put them under control,'' Walesa said, referring to a public transport walkout in its third day that has crippled the southern Polish city.

Walesa accused Maziwiecki's chief advisers of coping badly with the worsening situation. ''They are inexperienced boy scouts, not politicians,'' he said. ''They see only one move ahead of them, but they should see three or four. ... They only believe in themselves and that's all.''

Walesa's critics suggest that his support of pay raises and his promise to find jobs for the unemployed endanger the government economic plan, which has the support of the International Monetary Fund, and even threaten to destabilize the country.

But the founder of the Solidarity trade union movement, seeking to assure Western governments and investors, said he supports the bulk of the Balcerowicz plan and may even want him to stay on as finance minister.

''Balcerowicz is trying to close various plants and to fire the workers, and I agree with it. He is right,'' Walesa said. ''But we should not only close the plants but open new ones, and those operating ineffectively will close by themselves.''

In other words, Walesa said, free-market rules should be applied to the plants rather than a flat government order to shut down.

''The main direction Balcerowicz has taken I approve. There is no other way out,'' he said, but he noted that Balcerowicz's plan counted on help from other Western countries to help Poland out of its economic difficulties.

But the help has not been as great as expected because of a variety of factors including the recession and increased aid to the Soviet Union. ''We have to correct Balcerowicz's plan,'' Walesa said.

Mazowiecki and Walesa are the chief contenders among six candidates for

president in the Nov. 25 election. If no candidate receives 50 percent of the vote, a run-off would be held Dec. 9.

Walesa was stoical about a possible low voter turnout, saying he would have no choice but to accept it. ''But privately I must say I would not like to be a 50 percent president.''

And if he loses?

''With a bow of my head I will receive a win or a defeat,'' Walesa said. ''But I will do everything to win.''

The latest betting odds show Mazowiecki's chances have improved slightly with a 50-50 chance of winning, but Walesa still leads with an 80 percent chance.

If Walesa does win, he said he does not expect to make everybody happy. ''There will be a lot of trouble'' because of the economic situation, he said. ''People will curse me and it will be a hard time.''

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#90319u0614 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday that the basic U.S. money supply, known as M1, rose $2.4 billion in the latest reporting week. The broader monetary aggregate M2 dropped $0.1 billion, and the broadest measure of all, M3, fell by $0.9 billion.

M1, including cash, checking accounts and NOW accounts - money available for immediate spending - increased to a seasonally adjusted average of $822.6 billion in the week ended Nov. 5, from a revised $820.2 billion the week before.

Over the past 13 weeks, M1 averaged $819.9 billion, up 0.8 billion from the 13-week average in the previous period, the central banks said.

The more broadly defined M2 averaged an estimated $3,315.7 billion in the latest week, off from a revised $3,315.8 billion. M2 includes M1 plus passbook savings, small time deposits such as money market deposit accounts, consumer money market mutual funds and other short-term assets.

M3, defined as M2 plus large time deposits, securities repurchase agreements longer than one day at banks and thrifts, and institutional money market funds averaged $4,084.2 billion in the latest week, down from a revised $4,085.1 billion, the Fed said.

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#90319u0628 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 15) UPI - Japan's eight major oil wholesalers reported mixed earnings results for the half year ended Sept. 30 amid rising domestic interest rates.

Five of the eight firms reported a fall in pre-tax profits mainly because of increased borrowings but the remaining three posted increased profits.

Combined sales by the eight firms gained 13.2 percent over a year ago due to brisk demand for oil products against the backdrop of the booming domestic economy.

Aggregated sales increased 7.0 percent to 704 million barrels, according to the companies.

Their foreign exchange gains resulting from the yen's surge against the dollar amounted to about $77 million.

Nippon Oil Co. posted pre-tax profit of $02 million, up 46.5 percent, on sales $7.34 billion, up 13.2 percent.

Mitsubishi Oil's pre-tax profit gained 3.8 percent to $46.2 million on sales of $3.68 billion), up 37.0 percent.

Idemitsu Kosan, Japan's top oil distributor, said its pre-tax income plunged 35.1 percent to $21.5 million on sales of $6.94 billion, up 15.0 percent.

Cosmo Oil's income fell 9.1 percent to $23.8 million on sales of $5.65 billion up 7.0 percent.

Kyodo Oil posted pre-tax profit of $19.2 million, down 22.5 percent, on sales of $5.04 billion, up 7.8 percent.

General Sekiyu reported a 36.8 percent gain in income to $28.5 million on sales of $1.89 billion, up 9.0 percent.

Kyushu Oil had sales of $1.1 billion), up 5.8 percent, with income of $3.85 million, down 38.8 percent.

Cygnus Sekiyu posted pre-tax income of $769,000, down 5.7 percent, on sales of $967.7 million, up 10.3 percent.

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#90319u0636 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 15) UPI - Arab and Soviet envoys pressed their shuttle diplomacy Thursday to sound out prospects of an Arab summit on the Persian Gulf crisis, and Moscow reiterated its demand that Iraq get out of Kuwait to avoid all-out war.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak held a second round of talks in Damascus with his Syrian counterpart, Hafez Assad, Damascus Radio said. One Egyptian government official said Mubarak is trying to avert a military conflict while at the same time ensuring an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Although Egypt and Syria have not said so openly, both have privately rejected an Iraqi suggestion that they attend the emergency Arab summit proposed by Morocco's King Hassan, and Baghdad Radio Thursday repeated Iraq's willingness to attend, provided the anti-Iraq resolutions passed at the last summit in Cairo on Aug. 10 ''are declared null and void.''

A majority of Arab states voted at the Cairo summit to support United Nations sanctions against Iraq and to back resolutions demanding that Baghdad end its occupation of Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2 and later annexed. The meeting also sanctioned the dispatch of Egyptian, Syrian and Moroccan troops to the gulf region to discourage further Iraqi aggression.

Both the Soviet Union and China, permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, have backed Hassan's call for an Arab summit. Only three of the 21 members of the Arab League - Jordan, the Palestine Liberation Organization and Mauritania - gave immediate backing to the summit call.

But Arab radio stations monitored in Cairo said Yemen and Sudan also agreed and there were signs Libya, Tunisia and Algeria would follow suit.

A Soviet envoy, Deputy Foreign Minister Vladimir Petrovsky, meeting in Rabat, Morocco, with Hassan, issued another blunt warning to Iraq that it must pull its troops out of Kuwait to prevent war, state-owned Rabat Radio reported Thursday.

''The Soviet Union warned Iraq that war would erupt in the gulf unless it withdrew its troops from Kuwait immediately,'' the radio report said. ''(Petrovsky) said the situation in the gulf was approaching the danger point and said the military solution cannot be avoided except through the Iraqi unconditional and immediate troop withdrawal from Kuwait, and the restoration of the legitimate Kuwaiti government.''

Petrovsky, who was later scheduled to visit Libya, Tunisia and Algeria, said Hassan's call for an emergency summit had Soviet support and that Arab nations themselves have the best chance to persuade Iraq to pull out peacefully, according to the Rabat Radio report.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's special Middle East envoy, Yevgeny Primakov, was reported to have issued a similar warning to Iraq after talks last month in Baghdad with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, the state-owned radio said.

A second Soviet envoy, Alexander Belonogov, arrived Thursday in Cairo from the Yemeni capital Sanaa for talks with Egyptian leaders, Cairo Radio reported.

Saudi Arabia dampened hopes for a summit when its foreign minister, Prince Saud al Faisal, said Wednesday in the United Arab Emirates that Iraq should first accept U.N. resolutions calling for its withdrawal from Kuwait before any summit could be held.

Saud echoed the sentiments of the pro-Kuwaiti Arab camp that if Iraq failed to agree to a troop withdrawal, then any Arab gathering would be a ''waste of time.''

Mubarak himself last month rejected a Soviet proposal for an Arab summit, saying that without a specific agenda the meeting would degenerate into a shouting match between pro-Kuwaiti and pro-Iraqi delegates. Iraqi delegates were reported to have thrown plates at Kuwaiti delegates at an Arab summit after the invasion of Kuwait.

Egyptian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali arrived Thursday in Beijing for a three-day official visit. Egyptian officials said he would remind Chinese leaders that only a complete Iraqi withdrawal can achieve peace in the volatile region.

Meanwhile, Amman radio Thursday quoted German Chancellor Helmut Kohl as saying the danger of war would lessen if Iraq freed all remaining hostages, and Denmark said it was assured by Iraq that 16 of its 38 nationals in Iraqi custody would be freed soon.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Nov. 14: Purchases of 475,019 shares and sales of 519,357 shares including 29,323 shares sold short.

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#90319u0663 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Two men hired by the New York Daily News as replacement drivers during the bitter strike say they quit their jobs because they were being used as ''bait'' for attacks by striking workers, The New York Times reported Thursday.

The men said some workers carried video cameras with orders to get any evidence of violence to use in court against strikers.

''We were bait,'' Jim McCully of Clarksville, Tenn., told the Times. ''The

bottom line was that we were supposed to be cheese for the rats.''

The development came as Daily News management said it invited the city's other major metropolitan dailies and news magazines to join a public campaign condemning violence by striking members of unions employed at the paper.

A representative of the striking unions said they would hold the publications ''legally responsible for disseminating a false charge.''

The 21-day-old strike has been punctuated by attacks on delivery trucks and skirmishes between strikers, replacement drivers and security guards as the Daily News continues to publish.

The Times said the replacement workers were hired through Securex, a Kentucky security company, to drive delivery trucks and collect money from news dealers.

McCully and another unidentified worker that the Times described as a 21-year-old Army veteran from the Lexington, Ky., area, were interviewed by the paper in separate phone interviews.

''I felt that we were being used as meat so I got out of there. I think they did us dirty,'' the second man said.

Asked to comment on the charges, Daily News spokeswoman Lisa Robinson said, ''I really won't speak to specifics of our security. We have security because of violence.

''We have hired vendors from around the country. ... We told them to avoid confrontation, not to carry weapons.''

McCully said the pay was to be about $700 a week for a 12-hour day, 84-hour week. The job was to last 120 days, with a $1,500 bonus for anyone completing the full tour.

McCully said that at their orientation session on Nov. 3, Bill Mills, the operations director for Securex, said: ''Your job is to get documentation on film of union members breaking your necks. We need the evidence so we can go to court and freeze the assets of the union.''

He said during the orientation, ''They didn't use the word 'scab' until the third day. I didn't relish getting out there for $700 to have my head cracked by a gang of irate - understandably irate - strikers.

The two men said they managed to scrape together enough money to quit and make it home but added that other recruits did not have enough money to leave.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - The son of Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan is in jail in Alexandria, Virginia, charged with raping a woman who awoke after he allegedly broke into her home Sunday. Robert Jeffrey Lujan is scheduled for arraignment today. Police arrested Lujan after handing out composite sketches in the neighborhood and went to the family apartment last night.

A federal bankruptcy judge said there was a major public interest at stake when considering liquidation of Eastern Airlines. Judge Burton Lifland last night agreed to let Eastern withdraw 30 Million dollars from an escrow account sparing the airline from liquidation. The money will be withdrawn in two increments to meet operating expenses. .

Lawyers for Pan Am and U-A-L Corporation worked late last night to beat a midnight deadline and agreed to terms for the sale of Pan American World Airways U-S-London routes and other Pan Am assets to United Airlines.

The Voice of America yesterday broadcast a message to U-S nationals still held in Iraq and Kuwait, telling them that a special plane will leave Kuwait and Baghdad on Sunday. The message asked U-S nationals, including those of Arab origin, to get in touch with U-S missions in Baghdad and Kuwait for further details.

Rhode Island's Catholic leader blasted a local T-V station for its recent news series called ''Love in the Rectory.'' Bishop Louis Gelineau announced that he has canceled telecasts of Thanksgiving and Christmas masses on the station. ''Love in the Rectory'' began by stating that, since 1984, several Rhode Island priests had been accused of sexual assault. It went into detail on two cases in particular.

A strong earthquake rocked the Indonesian island of Sumatra today. Tremors reached Malaysia, and prompted thousands of office workers to rush out of buildings into the streets. Although the quake caused tremors in Malaysia's capital of Kuala Lumpur 235 miles north, officials said there were no immediate reports of casualties or major damage in either of the Southeast Asian countries. .

An earthquake measuring five-point-two on the Richter scale struck Manila and nearby provinces today, but caused NO damage or injuries. The quake was centered 90 miles northeast of the Philippine capital.

Today is the day when the American Cancer Society wants smokers NOT to light up. Events are planned around the country to observe the 14th annual Great American Smokeout, which began at midnight. Cancer Society spokesman David Lehman said a Gallup organization survey showed that 17- point-nine Million smokers participated last year, and about five-point- two Million stayed off the entire day.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - New season, same old story.

''The story of the game was our defense,'' Duke Coach Mike Krzyzewski said.

The Blue Devils, runner-up to Nevada-Las Vegas in last year's NCAA Tournament, opened the 1990-91 season with an 87-74 victory over Marquette Wednesday night in the first round of the Big Apple National Invitation Tournament.

Duke advanced to the second round against Boston College Friday night. The tournament concludes in New York Nov. 23.

Defense, long a Duke trademark, was in full force in Durham, N.C. The No. 6 Blue Devils forced 30 turnovers in dismantling the Warriors.

Marquette twice made a big push for the lead, but Duke's defense rose to the moment. In particular, reserve guard Bill McCaffrey, who finished with 19 points and 2 steals.

''I thought McCaffrey was outstanding,'' Marquette Coach Kevin O'Neill said. ''He was the difference in us not being able to get ahead.''

Duke also received excellent play from point guard Bobby Hurley, who had 12 points, 4 assists and 4 steals.

''I thought he played a great second half,'' Duke Coach Mike Krzyzewski said. ''He had three fouls (in the first half) and played the whole second half without any fouls.''

Duke forward Christian Laettner scored 24 points and grabbed 12 rebounds. He struck at the start of the second half, scoring 8 points to give Duke a 57-40 lead with 14:22 left. The Wariors pulled to 57-50 before Laettner and Hurly tightened the noose in the last seven minutes.

Marquette was led by forward Ron Curry, who scored 24 points, 21 in the second half.

''Curry was just great,'' Krzyzewski said. ''He had a terrific game.''

In other Big Apple NIT games, No. 2 Arizona routed Austin Peay 122- 80, No. 3 Arkansas bounced Vanderbilt 107-70, No. 12 Oklahoma dropped New Orleans 95-65, Boston College beat Memphis State 82-78 and East Tennessee State edged Brigham Young 83-80.

On Thursday night, it's Fordham at No. 25 Notre Dame and No. 24 Temple at Iowa.

At Tucson, Ariz., Chris Mills scored 17 points and Deron Johnson added 16 to give Arizona to its 48th straight home victory, the longest such streak in Division I. The Wildcats shot 71 percent from the floor in bolting to a 59-31 lead at the half. Tommy Brown led Austin Peay with 27 points. Arizona plays East Tennessee State Friday night.

At Fayetteville, Ark., Lee Mayberry hit for 20 points and Oliver Miller added 19, sending Arkansas into the second round Friday night against Oklahoma. The Razorbacks scored 10 straight points to lead 47-32 at halftime. For Vanderbilt which shot 23 percent in the first half, Bruce Elder scored 19 points.

At Norman, Okla., the Sooners rattled New Orleans with punishing defense and ran off 16 striaght points in the first half to put the game out of reach. Terrence Mullins scored 16 points for Oklahoma, one of six Sooners in double figures. The Privateers committed 32 turnovers.

At Chestnut Hill, Mass., Boston College rallied behind two freshmen and recovered from a 16-point halftime deficit. Center Billy Curley finished with 16 points, 8 rebounds and 6 assists and Howard Eisley scored 18 points. Boston College finished in the Big East cellar last season with a 1-15 record. Elliot Perry led Memphis State with 19 points and Russell Young added 16.

At Provo, Utah, Keith Jennings hit for 26 points, including a pair of foul shots with 13 seconds to play, to carry East Tennessee State. Shawn Bradley, BYU's 7-foot-6 freshman center, scored 23 points.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - The shuttle Atlantis is flying in its planned preliminary orbit after a flawless ride into space from Cape Canaveral, Florida. The shuttle and its five-man crew thundered into space earlier this evening on a mission to launch a Pentagon spy satellite. Radio traffic between Atlantis and mission control was blacked out. However, reporters were able to monitor a backup U-H-F radio channel to listen in on the crew during ascent.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak says he has asked President Bush to delay any military action against Iraq for three months. Mubarak says he requested the delay to give Iraqi President Saddam Hussein time to change his mind and withdraw from Kuwait. Mubarak's words send U-S crude oil prices surging by about one dollar a barrel in the last 15 minutes of trade on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

President Bush says in an interview today the U-S stand against Iraq has hurt an already struggling American economy. But Bush says he is hopeful that if a recession does occur, it will be over in ''six months at most''- unless the shock to oil prices brought on by the Persian Gulf crisis continues. Bush insists the nation has yet to technically enter a recession.

Three former Lockheed Corporation workers won a 45-point-four- MILLION-dollar judgment today following a six-week trial in Los Angeles. A jury deliberated for seven days before deciding the aerospace giant had fired the three employees for reporting alleged structural flaws in the CB military cargo plane. The jury award is believed to be the largest ever assessed a defense contractor in a civil case.

Researchers say in a report published today that plants apparently produce an aspirin-like substance to help ward off diseases. Scientists from Rutgers University in Piscataway, New Jersey, say the finding may help them harness the natural defenses of plants and avoid the use of pesticides and fungicides. They would NOT, however, speculate on whether the findings had any implications for the practice of putting aspirin in water to extend the life of cut flowers.

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TOKYO (NOV. 15) UPI - Pioneer Electronic Corp. said Thursday its profits and sales rose in the six months ended Sept. 30, supported by export expansion.

The electronics giant said unconsolidated net income grew 9.2 percent over a year ago to $85.725 million on sales of $1.462 billion, up 14.4 percent.

Net share income, however, declined to 48 cents from 52 cents, the company said.

The company said the sales growth was attributable mainly to favorable exports to North America, Europe and Asia.

The company said exports totaled $807.5 million, accounting for 55.2 percent of the total sales, up from 51.9 percent a year ago.

Sales of video products surged 33.4 percent to $448.1 million while those of car electronics products jumped 22.1 percent to $496.6 million, the company said.

The company said sales of audio products fell 5.0 percent to $478.6 million.

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#90319u0689 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 15) UPI - Stock of MCA Inc. jumped for the second day in a row Thursday on continued investor belief that a buyout deal by Japanese Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. is close to be being completed.

MCA closed up $2.625 to $68.25 a share Thursday on the New York Stock

Exchange. The stock had risen $3 a share on Wednesday following reports that the buyout, which could carry an $8 billion price tag, will close within a week.

Analysts expect that the deal will be in the $75 to $80 a share range.

''MCA stock seems to have gotten a life of its own,'' said Paul March, entertainment industry analyst for the Los Angeles brokerage Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards. ''I would expect some of the increase was due to people buying in case the deal closes this weekend.''

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#90319u0706 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

FORT LEE, VA (NOV. 15) UPI - An Army reservist whose lawsuit alleges President Bush is conducting an illegal military buildup in the Persian Gulf stayed behind for medical reasons this week as his colleagues in the 1450th Transportation Company shipped out to the Middle East.

But despite a widely publicized lawsuit against Bush, Michael Ange may have to follow his fellow Army National Guardsmen once medical tests are completed on an ulcer he believes should prevent him from being deployed.

Ange is hospitalized at the Kenner Army Community Hospital while the tests are being completed. Officials said the examination is being stepped up because of his unit's deployment.

On Tuesday, Ange failed to persuade a U.S. District Court judge in Washington to issue a temporary restraining order preventing his deployment. A date to hear the lawsuit was set for Dec. 10.

Ange, of Greenville, N.C., has worked during the past year to obtain a medical discharge from the reserves, claiming his ulcer and a bad knee hamper his ability to fight.

But he said earlier this week his lawsuit is not a back-door attempt to receive a discharge. Reception among his peers has been mixed. "The man's a coward," said Lt. Mark Greene, 27, from Mooresville, N.C. "That's plain and simple what it boils down to... I could line guys up and down that sidewalk and you'd hear the same thing."

But Bartt Winebarger of Todd, N.C., said Ange is simply acting on his convictions. "I think he's just speaking up for what he believes," Winebarger said. "That's what he's supposed to do."

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#90319u0712 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (NOV. 15) UPI - Federal Prime Minister Ante Markovic denounced the three main Yugoslav republics Thursday for violating federal laws and resisting reforms, charging their actions could lead to the ''disintegration of the country or the imposition of a dictatorship.''

Markovic, 65, leveled his strongest criticism to date of the leaders of Serbia Croatia and Slovenia in a 100-minute address to a joint session of the federal Parliament in which he appealed for support for his program to convert Yugoslavia to a Western-style democracy.

The year-old program has lost considerable steam, mostly due to moves by the nationalist regimes in Croatia and Slovenia and Serbia's communist government to cripple Markovic politically. The republics fear a loss of power and the creation of a strong central administration if his reforms succeed.

The Parliament's Federal Chamber, the term of which expires Dec. 31, approved Markovic's call for an extension so it can consider additional elements of his program and to prepare for multi-party parliamentary elections, expected in January.

Markovic devoted the first half of his address to enumerating acts by the three republics that subverted federal authority and undermined reforms, noting that his government has filed charges against them in the Constitutional Court.

He cited Slovenia's bid to assume control of military units on its territory, Croatia's imposition of a moratorium on privatization and Serbian protectionist measures ''endangering the unified Yugoslav market, cutting it into pieces, and ... endangering the standard of living of consumers.''

The actions of the republics, he said, ''threaten the suspension of the (political) system, leading to a complete blockade of the reform process, and in the end, to the collapse of the system itself.''

''The desires to bring the system to suspension obviously lead to its erosion, to collapse, or the alterative - disintegration of the country or the imposition of dictatorship,'' Markovic warned.

''It is high time that we face the fact that abroad today they see us as one of Europe's major crisis points and ... there are assessments that Yugoslavia is on the verge of disintegration and civil war,'' he said.

The republics' resistance, which has impeded economic restructuring and helped push inflation since January to 108 percent, sharpened after Markovic in July formed his Alliance of Reformist Forces to fight elections for republic assemblies and the federal Parliament.

The opposition is especially intense in Serbia, whose ruling communists have

been waging a smear campaign against Markovic, apparently worried about their prospects on Dec. 9 when the republic holds its first multi-party elections since the communist takeover of Yugoslavia in 1945.

Communist-controlled Serbian television and radio blacked out Markovic's speech, saying it was ''not of interest'' to the 10 million people of the largest Yugoslav republic. The address was carried live by the networks of the other five republics.

Markovic also used his address to review his 1991 economic plans, which he called crucial to Yugoslavia's future.

He said he will maintain the convertible dinar at 7:1 to the German mark and a tight money supply to keep inflation at 1.5 percent monthly.

The federal government also plans to accelerate privatization of state firms, create securities and money markets, and conduct a massive overhaul of the politically manipulated, loss-plagued banking system, Markovic said.

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#90319u0714 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 15) UPI - A federal appeals court Thursday temporarily lifted an embargo placed on importation of tuna from Mexico because it uses a netting system that kills dolphins.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals stay order would allow Mexico to resume shipping tuna to the United States.

''We are very disappointed in the panel ruling,'' said Josh Fluom, attorney for the Earth Island Institute. ''It will allow Mexico to avoid entirely the consequences of the kill requirement.''

On Oct. 19, the Earth Island Institute won an embargo on yellowfin tuna importation caught in nets set over dolphins.

The Justice Department challenged the ruling stating it has disrupted international relations between the U.S. and Mexico, affecting drug interdiction efforts, oil sales and other bilateral agreements.

Floum said Congress knew the potential for an embargo to anger Mexico when it passed the law limiting the dolphin kill.

Dolphins, which are air-breathing, generally swim above schools of tuna. That allows fishing fleets to capture tuna by netting above dolphins. The dolphins, once entangled in the nets, often drown.

The institute sought and won a court order to force the Commerce Department to

enforce requirements of the 18-year-old Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972.

Earth Island contended fleets from Mexico, Panama, Venezuela, Ecuador, Costa Rica and Vanuatu, a Pacific Islands nation formerly called New Hebrides, had to reduce their dolphin kill rate to not more than twice the U.S. rate by the end of 1989.

Panama has not met the kill requirements and continues to be embargoed, Fluom said. Ecuador stopped setting nets on dolphins and the U.S. found Venuzuela met the kill levels.

Costa Rica and Vanuatu were not embargoed.

Dolphins killed by foreign fleets in 1987 was over 100,000, according to the lawsuit.

The appeal court agreed to hear the appeal on an emergency basis with oral arguments set for the week of Feb. 11 in San Francisco.

Signing the order were Judges Thomas Tang, Jerome Farris and Alex Kozinski.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $378.10, silver base of $4.15 and platinum price of $413.40:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$393.70	399.70
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	202.00	205.10
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	103.70	105.30
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.90	43.50
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	399.70	399.70
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	205.10	205.10
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	104.20	105.80
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.50	43.50
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	400.00	406.10
China Panda .50 troy oz.	206.00	209.30
China Panda .25 troy oz.	107.00	108.50
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.20	46.90
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.60	28.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	394.20	399.80
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	201.40	204.30
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	101.80	103.20
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.80	44.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	392.70	398.80
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	203.30	206.20

Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	104.40	105.80
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.40	45.00
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	392.50	398.20
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	201.80	204.70
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.60	87.80
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.80	45.50
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.90	24.20
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.57	$5.62
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,220	$3,260
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	429.00	431.00
Isle of Man Noble	426.00	429.00
Canada Maple Leaf	437.00	439.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90319u0733 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

STUTTGART, Germany (NOV. 15) UPI - Daimler-Benz AG, Germany's largest corporation, Thursday reported an improvement in group net earnings but said that a continued decline of the U.S. dollar would hurt the company's domestic production.

The company said its nine-month group earnings were $880 million compared with $846 million in the 1989 period last year.

Group sales climbed 6 percent to $41 billion) during the same period, an interim report stated.

The board of directors of Daimler-Benz said in the report that the sinking dollar could have a negative impact on the competitiveness of goods produced at the company's domestic production sites.

Reduced sales of Daimler products made in Germany could lead to local layoffs, the report said.

Daimler's automobile subsidiary, Mercedes-Benz AG, accounted for 70 percent of sales, the report said.

The company's electronics subsidiary, AEG AG, contributed claimed 14 percent of sales, the Munich-based aviation firm Deutsche Aerospace AG 12 percent and the services company Daimler-Benz Interservices 4 percent, the report said.

The boost in the group's profits was largely attributed to increased sales of Mercedes vehicles. Mercedes-Benz registered a 6 percent increase in sales to $29 billion compared with the first nine months of 1989.

Auto sales in Japan climbed 25 percent to 28,000 automobiles, while domestic sales rose slightly to 186,000 units this year from 183,350 cars sold in 1989.

Total automobile sales are expected to reach 570,000, compared with 542,200 in 1989, the report said.

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#90319u0744 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

MEXICO CITY (NOV. 15) UPI - The government submitted its 1991 budget to the congress Thursday, proposing to increase public spending to $70 billion, 5 percent more than last year.

A Planning and Budget Ministry spokesman said the federal budget for 1991 would be set at 204 trillion pesos ($70 billion), with spending increases focused on education, food subsidies and health services.

About 4.5 percent of the budget will be spent on agriculture and ranching activities.

A Finance Ministry spokesman said the budget includes a 35 percent to 36 percent income tax reduction for people earning less than $400 a month, or four times the minimum wage.

The spokesman said the government would aim to increase its income from taxes by clamping down on tax evasion and increasing levies on imported cars and annual car tax.

The 15 percent value-added tax and 2 percent manufacturers tax will remain in place.

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#90319u0756 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 15) UPI - Advanced Micro Devices Inc. and Applied Materials Inc. announced holiday-season layoffs Thursday in the midst of slow growth and falling prices in the semiconductor industry.

Advanced Micro Devices, a major chip manufacturer based in Sunnyvale, Calif.,

said it would lay off 200 workers Dec. 30 and make further job cuts in the first quarter to reduce costs.

Applied Materials, of Santa Clara, Calif., which makes equipment for manufacturing semiconductors, said it would lay off 250 to 300 workers Nov. 29 slash executives' salaries 10 percent and impose a worldwide hiring freeze to cut costs.

The two companies said the layoffs were needed to adjust to sluggish growth in the computer chip business heading into next year.

''We clearly are looking at a period of less-than-robust growth for the semiconductor industry,'' said AMD spokesman John Greenagel. ''We are determined that we have to get more done with fewer people.''

Applied Materials said chip makers have cut back on capital expenditures because of fears about the direction of the economy.

''Clearly, we are impacted by a growing hesitation on the part of many of our customers to commit to large new equipment purchases,'' said Jim Bagley, president and chief operating officer of Applied Materials.

The semiconductor business has cooled down from its days of double- digit growth in the 1980s. Many analysts expect worldwide semiconductor sales to remain relatively flat this year at about $49.5 billion and to show only single-digit growth in 1991.

Business has been particularly soft in the last two months, said Erik Jansen, an analyst with Robertson Stephens & Co. ''The business trends, the orders, are just not there like they should be at this time of year.''

Advanced Micro Devices has suffered from falling prices for so-called commodity computer chips, everyday chips used and manufactured by a number of different companies. The company posted a loss of $17.8 million on declining sales of $254.2 million in the third quarter.

Applied Materials said last month it would post lower-than-expected earnings for the quarter ended Oct. 28 because of delays in large shipments to two customers.

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#90319u0764 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV 15) - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, a staunch supporter of the U.S.-led multinational force in the Persian Gulf, said Thursday he had asked President Bush to postpone any military action against Iraq for three months.

Mubarak, speaking to reporters after returning from Damascus where he talked

to Syrian President Hafez Assad, said he requested the delay in any strike to give Iraqi President Saddam Hussein time to change his mind and withdraw from Kuwait.

Mubarak's statement sent U.S. crude oil prices surging by about $1 a barrel in the last 15 minutes of trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Traders said they felt that Mubarek made the comment to keep from looking like a hawk in the event hostilities should break out and that it signaled that war was even more imminent.

Mubarak made his peace call as a joint U.S.-Saudi amphibious operation began in Eastern Saudi Arabia, near the border of Iraqi- occupied Kuwait.

The exercise, dubbed ''Imminent Thunder,'' was to run through Nov. 21 and was to involve 16 ships, about 1,000 Marines and 1,100 aircraft.

Earlier in Damascus, Mubarak and Assad issued a joint communique that hopes of an early Arab summit on the gulf crisis and accused Iraqi leaders of foiling a peaceful attempt to solve the standoff by setting conditions for any peace meeting.

But Mubarak and Assad left the door open for a peaceful solution when they said in a joint communique issued after Mubarak's two-day visit that they would continue consultations with other Arab leaders ''to preserve the interests and unity of the Arab nation.''

''To give a further chance to the Iraqi president to reconsider his position, and in order to avert a destructive war, I have asked President Bush and his secretary of state to postpone the military option for three months,'' Mubarak told reporters in Cairo.

The Egyptian leader said Bush was in any case working to persuade the U.N. Security Council to endorse any military option, so that if a strike became necessary, it would be carried out under ''the umbrella of the United Nations.''

''The two leaders gave due attention to King Hassan's call for an Arab summit '' said the communique, issued after Mubarak and Assad held three rounds of talks. ''But because of what has been issued directly from Baghdad, setting preconditions, it makes it difficult if not impossible to hold such a summit.''

The statement said Iraq's refusal to withdraw from Kuwait made any compromise impossible.

''The two leaders expressed their regret at Iraq's foiling of any peaceful settlement aimed at the restoration of the situation before Aug. 2,'' the communique said.

The toughly worded statement came as Soviet envoys continued their shuttle diplomacy while Bush tried to mollify members of Congress angered over the U.S. troop buildup in the gulf.

A majority of Arab states voted in Cairo to support U.N. sanctions on Iraq and resolutions calling on Baghdad to withdraw its occupation troops from the emirate. The meeting also sanctioned the dispatch of Egyptian, Syrian and Moroccan troops to the Gulf to deter further Iraqi aggression.

Baghdad Radio reiterated Thursday Iraq's position that the country's leadership would be willing to attend any new Arab summit, ''provided the resolutions passed at the Cairo summit are declared null and void.''

Both the Soviet Union and China, permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, have backed Hassan's call for an Arab summit. Of the 21 members of the Arab League, only Jordan, the Palestine Liberation Organization and Mauritania gave immediate backing to the summit call.

But Arab radio stations monitored in Cairo said Yemen and Sudan had also agreed to an Arab summit, and there were signs that Libya, Tunisia and Algeria would join those in favor.

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#90319u0766 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 15) UPI - Super typhoon Mike severely damaged Cebu city, the Philippines' second most important commercial center. The military office said 103 people were killed, 84 are missing and presumed dead, and 107 were injured when Mike slammed into the central Philippines Tuesday with peak winds of 150 miles an hour. News reports put the total death toll at more than 250.

Police in Switzerland have confirmed that there were NO survivors aboard an Italian airlines D-C-9 from Milan that crashed just before landing at Zurich's international airport. 40 passengers and six crew members were killed.

Shuttle diplomancy continues in the Persian Gulf crisis. Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak and Iraqi and Soviet envoys traveled around Arab capitals yesterday to discuss a call for an Arab summit to end the standoff.

The Chinese government denies reports that China's foreign minister told Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that Beijing would NOT veto any United Nations Security Council resolution authorizing military force to free Kuwait.

Gunmen with A-K-47 rifles fired on a sleeping family in a squatter camp in eastern South Africa today, killing four adults and injuring two young children in the area's latest surge of factional black violence.

The United States and the Philippines have NOT agreed yet on the future of U-S

military bases on the islands, but a government spokesman says the Philippines favors phasing out the Subic Bay Naval Base over a period of five to seven.

Police in Finland say a Soviet hijacker gave himself up to Finnish police today after forcing a civilian domestic Soviet airliner with 72 people on board to land at Helsinki's airport. The flight was headed from Moscow to Leningrad.

A federal judge in New York yesterday sentenced former Wall Street speculator John Mulheren Junior to serve one year and a day in prison for conspiring with fellow wheeler-dealer Ivan Boesky to illegally manipulate stock prices.

In a speech at the National Press Club, yesterday, Gregory Anrig, president of Educational Testing Service, said America's educational system has room for improvement. But he said more tests are NOT the solution to ensure better student performance. He said constantly testing student achievement and performance is like ''pulling up a carrot to see how it's growing.''

A new study shows that having a hostile personality as a young adult appears to boost the risk of developing high cholesterol levels later in life. Dr. Redford Williams, who led the research, said hostility may lead to high cholesterol by increasing the chances of overeating or smoking.

A pen and ink drawing by famed Dutch artist Vincent Van Gogh sold at Christie's auction gallery for eight-point-36 Million dollars yesterday, a new record price. ''Garden of Flowers'' was painted in July 1888.

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#90319u0769 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 15) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	69	37	....
Anchorage cy	25	10	....
Asheville sy	70	36	....
Atlanta sy	70	49	....
Baltimore sy	68	40	....
Billings sn	46	30	....
Birmingham sy	76	44	....
Bismarck pc	50	22	....
Boston sy	68	47	....
Brownsville pc	82	67	....
Buffalo sy	63	47	....
Burlington Vt. sy	52	44	....
Charleston S.C. sy	71	50	....
Charlotte sy	72	43	....
Chicago sy	74	49	....

Cincinnati sy	72	45	....
Cleveland sy	71	45	....
Columbus Ohio sy	71	41	....
Dallas pc	76	58	....
Denver sy	76	34	....
Des Moines sy	70	41	....
Detroit sy	71	40	....
Duluth cy	48	30	....
El Paso sy	75	42	....
Evansville sy	77	42	....
Fargo pc	48	25	....
Hartford sy	70	40	....
Honolulu pc	85	72	....
Houston pc	78	61	....
Indianapolis sy	74	47	....
Jackson Miss. sy	79	49	....
Jacksonville pc	74	56	....
Kansas City pc	72	44	....
Las Vegas pc	76	48	....
Little Rock sy	77	50	....
Los Angeles pc	73	55	....
Louisville sy	73	48	....
Memphis sy	78	50	....
Miami Beach pc	82	72	....
Milwaukee sy	70	46	....
Minneapolis sy	63	32	....
Nashville sy	76	46	....
New Orleans sy	81	60	....
New York sy	69	52	....
Oklahoma City f	74	50	....
Omaha sy	70	36	....
Orlando pc	79	64	....
Philadelphia sy	68	42	....
Phoenix f	88	62	....
Pittsburgh sy	68	40	....
Portland Me. sy	64	37	....
Portland Ore. mc	55	38	.04
Providence sy	69	43	....
Richmond sy	70	39	....
St. Louis sy	76	51	....
Salt Lake City mc	57	33	....
San Antonio pc	76	62	....
San Diego pc	71	58	....
San Francisco sy	66	48	....
San Juan sy	87	74	....
Seattle cy	52	43	.12
Spokane cy	44	31	....
Tampa pc	82	63	....

Washington sy	67	46	....
Wichita sy	72	40	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90319u0773 11/15/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 15) UPI - Egypt and Syria dashed hopes Thursday for an early Arab summit on the Persian Gulf crisis, accusing Iraq of foiling a peaceful settlement crisis by setting conditions for any meeting.

But Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and his Syrian counterpart, Hafez Assad, left the door open for a peaceful solution, and Arab and Soviet envoys pressed their shuttle diplomacy to sound out prospects of a summit.

Mubarak and Assad said in a joint communique in after two days of talks in Damascus, Syria, that they too would continue consultations with other Arab leaders ''to preserve the interests and unity of the Arab nation.''

But they emphasized that ''because of what has been issued directly from Baghdad, setting preconditions, it makes it difficult if not impossible to hold such a summit.''

Iraq has said it would attend an emergency Arab summit, urged by Morocco's King Hassan, only if the anti-Iraq resolutions passed at the last summit in Cairo on Aug. 10 ''are declared null and void.''

A majority of Arab states voted at the Cairo summit to support United Nations sanctions against Iraq and to back resolutions demanding that Baghdad end its occupation of Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2 and later annexed. The meeting also sanctioned the dispatch of Egyptian, Syrian and Moroccan troops to the gulf region to discourage further Iraqi aggression.

The Mubarak-Assad statement also said Iraq's refusal to withdraw from Kuwait made any compromise impossible. ''Statements given later by Iraqi officials, in which they stress the insistence of the Iraqi leadership to refuse any withdrawal from Kuwait, and the continued annexation of Kuwait are not constructive,'' it said.

Only three of the 21 members of the Arab League - Jordan, the Palestine Liberation Organization and Mauritania - gave immediate backing to the summit call. But Arab radio stations monitored in Cairo said Yemen and Sudan also agreed and there were signs Libya, Tunisia and Algeria would follow suit.

A Soviet envoy, Deputy Foreign Minister Vladimir Petrovsky, meeting Thursday in Rabat, Morocco, with Hassan, issued another blunt warning to Iraq that it must pull its troops out of Kuwait to prevent war, state- owned Rabat Radio reported Thursday.

''The Soviet Union warned Iraq that war would erupt in the gulf unless it withdrew its troops from Kuwait immediately,'' the radio report said. ''(Petrovsky) said the situation in the gulf was approaching the danger point and said the military solution cannot be avoided except through the Iraqi unconditional and immediate troop withdrawal from Kuwait, and the restoration of the legitimate Kuwaiti government.''

Petrovsky, who was later scheduled to visit Libya, Tunisia and Algeria, said Hassan's call for an emergency summit had Soviet support and that Arab nations themselves have the best chance to persuade Iraq to pull out peacefully, according to the Rabat Radio report.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's special Middle East envoy, Yevgeny Primakov, was reported to have issued a similar warning to Iraq after talks last month in Baghdad with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, the state-owned radio said.

A second Soviet envoy, Alexander Belonogov, arrived Thursday in Cairo from the Yemeni capital Sanaa for talks with Egyptian leaders, Cairo Radio reported.

Saudi Arabia dampened hopes for a summit when its foreign minister, Prince Saud al Faisal, said Wednesday in the United Arab Emirates that Iraq should first accept U.N. resolutions calling for its withdrawal from Kuwait before any summit could be held.

Saud echoed the sentiments of the pro-Kuwaiti Arab camp that if Iraq failed to agree to a troop withdrawal, then any Arab gathering would be a ''waste of time.''

Mubarak himself last month rejected a Soviet proposal for an Arab summit, saying that without a specific agenda the meeting would degenerate into a

shouting match between pro-Kuwaiti and pro-Iraqi delegates. Iraqi delegates were reported to have thrown plates at Kuwaiti delegates at an Arab summit after the invasion of Kuwait.

Egyptian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali arrived Thursday in Beijing for a three-day official visit. Egyptian officials said he would remind Chinese leaders that only a complete Iraqi withdrawal can achieve peace in the volatile region.

Meanwhile, Amman radio Thursday quoted German Chancellor Helmut Kohl as saying the danger of war would lessen if Iraq freed all remaining hostages, and Denmark said it was assured by Iraq that 16 of its 38 nationals in Iraqi custody would be freed soon.

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#90319u0779 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 15) UPI - A former aerospace research company executive was indicted Thursday on charges he allegedly exported restricted information on the ''Star Wars'' weapons system to Japan.

The seven-count indictment charges Ronald Hoffman, 51, of Los Angeles, with illegally exporting technical data relating to arms, ammunition and implements of war and lying on export control documents.

Hoffman also was charged with violating the Anti-Apartheid Act for attempting to sell computer software technology to an undercover U.S. Customs Service agent posing as a South African businessman last June.

The Anti-Apartheid Act prohibits the export of certain weapons to South Africa and is aimed at ''helping to bring an end to apartheid,'' Assistant U.S. Attorney William Fahey said.

If convicted, Hoffman faces a maximum of 10 years in prison and a $1 million fine on each count.

Hoffman, a former general manager at Science Application International Corp. of Los Angeles, was arrested June 14 after he attempted to export software information on the Strategic Defense Initiative to the undercover agent.

Hoffman, who is free on $500,000 bail, is the first person ever accused of illegally exporting information pertaining to the Star Wars program and is only the second to be charged with violations of the Anti-Apartheid Act, Fahey said.

The indictment alleges that, from 1986 to 1990, Hoffman was paid hundreds of thousands of dollars to export computer technology relating to the SDI program to Nissan Motor Co., Mitsubishi Corp. and the Toshiba Corp., all Japanese

concerns.

Fahey said that some of the data could be used in satellite development for commercial purposes, but that a portion of the information passed on by Hoffman is applicable solely to the weapons system program.

Fahey said that the data could be used to identify a missile by its exhaust and has applications in the design, engineering and development of ''spacecrafts, launch vehicles, guided missiles and rockets.''

Hoffman worked for SAIC from 1978 to January 1990, and was partially reponsible for developing and upgrading the data in question. He also owned a firm called Plume Technology Inc. through which he allegedly exported the data to Japan and other countries.

An affidavit released in June said that authorities had seized information from Hoffman indicating he had ''proposed sales to companies in Israel, West Germany and Italy.'' Fahey, however, refused to comment Thurdsay on that part of the investigation.

Hoffman's attorney, Mark Beck, said his client intends to contest the charges.

''The items in question did not require a license (to be exported) and ... Mr. Hoffman did not intend to violate the law,'' Beck said.

Beck described the data as ''cutting edge technology which could be considered commonplace and easily accessible (in the scientific world).''

Although the material is not considered ''classified,'' Fahey said it is ''shared with substantial restrictions within the military branches (of the government).''

The indictment alleges that Hoffman, in exporting the data to Nissan in 1986, received a $56,000. He allegedly collected $150,000 for two more sales to Toshiba in 1986 and 1987.

In 1989, Hoffman also allegedly exported additional software to Mitsubishi, receiving more than $335,000 for the sale, the indictment said.

Charges were not brought against any of the companies.

During the sting operation, Hoffman allegedly exported the software to Bonn, Germany, in exchange for a $150,000 payment from undercover agents. He was told by federal agents that the information would be passed to a South African aerospace firm by middlemen in Bonn.

#90319u0780 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (NOV. 15) UPI - Nobel laureate Mother Teresa received the 1990 Soviet Land Nehru award Thursday for her contribution to the ''cause of humanity''.

Vice President Shankar Dayal Sharma presented the award to the 80- year-old Roman Catholic nun for her charitable work among the poor.

Mother Teresa called on the people to serve those who live and die in poverty and hunger.

''Love always began from the home and the family. Pray that we may be asked to love each other irrespective of nationality, color or religion, '' she told the gathering.

The Soviet consulate in the eastern West Bengal state capital of Calcutta last month announced the Soviet Land Nehru award for her contribution to the ''cause of humanity''.

The Soviet Land is a magazine published in all major Indian languages by the Soviet Embassy in New Delhi.

All previous recipients were either communists or closely associated with various Soviet-sponsored organizations.

The award carries a cash prize of $5,550 and a two-week visit to the Soviet Union.

Mother Teresa, who received the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize for her charity work, has had coronary problems for several years. Surgeons in late 1989 implanted a pacemaker in her chest.

Last April, citing poor health and advanced age, Mother Teresa announced her intention to step down as head of the Missionaries of Charity, an order she founded. However, she was re-elected five months later to another six-year term as head of the charity.

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#90319u0781 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - Here are compliance schedules set by the clean air bill for the 96 cities now violating federal health standards for ozone smog. This is the anticipated classification of cities as determined by the Environmental Protection Agency, starting with the most polluted areas:

EXTREME - DEADLINE FOR COMPLIANCE 2010
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, Calif.

SEVERE 2 - DEADLINE 2007
Baltimore
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, Texas
New York City-New Jersey-Long Island

SEVERE 1 - DEADLINE 2005
Chicago-Gary, Ind.
Lake County, Wis.
Milwaukee-Racine, Wis.;
Muskegon, Mich.
Philadelphia-Wilmington, Del.-Trenton, N.J.
San Diego

SERIOUS - DEADLINE 1999
Atlanta
Bakersfield, Calif.
Baton Rouge, La.
Beaumont-Port Arthur, Texas
Boston-Lawrence, Mass.-Salem, N.H.
El Paso, Texas
Fresno, Calif.
Hartford-New Britain-Middletown, Conn.
Huntington, W.Va.-Ashland, Ky., and Ohio suburbs
Parkersburg, W.Va.,-Marietta, Ohio
Portsmouth, Maine,-Dover-Rochester, N.H.
Providence-Pawtucket-Fall River, R.I.
Sacramento, Calif.
Sheboygan, Wis.
Springfield, Mass.
Washington, D.C., Va., Md.

MODERATE - DEADLINE 1996
Atlantic City, N.J.
Charleston, W.Va.
Charlotte-Gastonia, N.C.-Rock Hill, S.C.
Cincinnati
Cleveland
Dallas
Dayton-Springfield, Ohio
Detroit
Edmonson County, Ky.
Grand Rapids, Mich.
Greensboro-Winston-Salem-High Point, N.C.
Jefferson County, N.Y.
Kewaunee County, Wis.
Knox County, Maine
Louisville, Ky.
Ind.

Memphis, Tenn., and Arkansas and Mississippi suburbs
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
Modesto, Calif.
Nashville, Tenn.
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, Pa.
Portland, Maine
Raleigh-Durham, N.C.
Reading, Pa.
Richmond-Petersburg, Va.
Salt Lake City-Ogden, Utah.
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, Calif.
Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc, Calif.
Smyth County, Va.
St. Louis
Toledo, Ohio
Visalia-Tulare-Porterville, Calif.
Worcester, Mass.

MARGINAL - DEADLINE 1993
Albany-Schenectady-Troy, N.Y.
Allentown-Bethlehem, Pa.
Altoona, Pa.
Birmingham, Ala.
Buffalo-Niagara Falls, N.Y.
Canton, Ohio
Columbus, Ohio
Erie, Pa.
Essex County, N.Y.
Evansville, Ind., and Kentucky suburbs
Fayetteville, N.C.
Greenbriar County, W.Va.
Greenville-Spartanburg, S.C.
Hancock County, Maine
Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, Pa.
Indianapolis, Ind.
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol, Tenn.
Johnstown, Pa.
Kansas City, Mo., Kan.
Knoxville, Tenn.
Lake Charles, La.
Lancaster, Pa.
Lewiston-Auburn, Maine
Lexington-Fayette, Ky.
Lincoln County, Maine
Livingston County, Ky.
Manchester, N.H.
Montgomery, Ala.
Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News, Va.

Owensboro, Ky.
Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Scranton-Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
South Bend-Mishawaka, Ind.
Stockton, Calif.
Sussex County, Del.
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Fla.
Waldo County, Maine,
York, Pa.
Youngstown-Warren, Ohio.

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#90319u0807 11/15/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV 15) - Sunny skies and record-warm temperatures spread across the Great Plains and Midwest Thursday as fog socked in New Orleans and rain soaked Hawaii.

Temperatures were unseasonably warm over the nation's midsection, ranging mostly in the 60s and 70s, and high-temperature records for Nov. 15 were broken or tied across much of Michigan and Wisconsin, the National Weather Service said.

Gusty winds blew across Wyoming during the morning hours but diminished by early afternoon. Afternoon wind advisories were posted for northern Texas, the eastern half of Kansas, northern Missouri and northern Indiana.

Winds gusted to near 50 mph at Emporia, Kan., the NWS said.

Locally heavy rain caused minor flooding on the islands of Hawaii, and more than 8 inches of rain fell during the past 24 hours at Mountainview and other locations near Hilo.

Rain was scattered over southwestern North Dakota and dampened the northern coast of Washington state. Snow whitened the Montana rockies.

Temperatures around the nation at 3 p.m. EST ranged from 29 at Yellowstone, Wyo., to 86 at Harlingen, Texas.

The mercury dipped into the mid-30s overnight in Denver, where clear skies prevailed, and morning clouds covered south Texas.

Small craft advisories were posted along the western coast of Florida from Cape Sable to Tarpon Springs and off the coast of New England from the Merrimack River in Massachusetts to Watch Hill, R.I., due to high winds and rough seas.

Dense morning fog blanketed the New Orleans metropolitian area south of Lake

Pontchartrain, and the city's airport reported near-zero visibility.

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#90319u0813 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

LINDSAY, OK (NOV. 15) UPI - A minor earthquake measuring 3.6 on the Richter scale jolted an area about 30 miles south of Oklahoma City Thursday, the National Earthquake Information Center said.

The quake was felt at about 5:45 a.m. around Lindsay and Rush Springs, said Waverly Persons, a geophysicist at the center in Boulder, Colo. "A few things were shaken off the shelves and that's about it," he said. "It was not large enough to cause any major damage or injury."

The area has a history of earthquakes, the last in 1981 measured 3.5 on the Richter scale, he said. Persons said it was unlikely there would be any after shocks with such a minor disturbance. "These are usually isolated events," he said. Persons said there are no major faults in the area.

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#90319u0817 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

SOFIA (NOV. 15) UPI - Bulgaria's ruling Socialists expressed ''deep alarm'' Thursday at plans by opposition groups for three days of anti-government rallies, warning the protests could lead to chaos and violence.

''For us there is no doubt that the street protests ... are aimed at further aggravating the political atmosphere in this country, undermining civil peace and paralyzing the work of Parliament,'' the ruling council of the renamed Communist Party said in an appeal published in the party newspaper Douma.

It accused the main opposition coalition, the Union of Democratic Forces, of trying to overthrow Bulgaria's democratically elected government by ''plunging us into a state of disorder and chaos.''

''The (BSP) is appealing to you in order to voice its deep alarm at the current situation in the country, at the attempts by certain circles to use out-of-Parliament pressure as the principle means in the struggle for power,'' the statement said.

The appeal came as opposition leaders made final preparations for rallies scheduled to begin throughout the country Friday and culminate with a mass demonstration Sunday in the capital.

Opposition leaders said the rallies will press demands for the resignation of the all-Socialist government, which they blame for Bulgaria's worsening economy.

In another development, the Interior Ministry said unknown assailants tried to set fire late Wednesday to the front entrance of the building where Socialist Prime Minister Andre Loukanov lives, the official news agency BTA said. There were no reports of injuries or serious damage.

''This act is yet another indication of the rising extremist forces interested in destabilizing the country and breaking civil peace,'' the ministry said in a prepared statement.

UDF President Peter Beron, in an interview published Thursday in the opposition newspaper Democratsia, said four parties within the coalition are prepared to form a new government immediately if the Socialist Cabinet resigns.

''Such a government will start from scratch, from a point of a complete mess '' Beron said. He said radical Socialists and leaders of other democratic parties would be asked to serve in a UDF-led government.

Democratsia also carried appeals by other opposition leaders for broad participation in the weekend rallies to protest the Socialist government's paralysis and ''economic sabotage.''

Bulgaria's communists, by purging their ranks of hard-liners and making an early commitment to reform, avoided the fate of their counterparts in other Eastern Europe countries and won a decisive victory in historic parliamentary elections in June.

But despite their early victories, these reborn Socialists have come under increasing pressure in recent weeks as social and economic conditions worsened. The lines at grocery stores and gasoline stations are longer than in the darkest days of authoritarian rule, and even electricity is being rationed at two-hour intervals.

Last week, the Socialists' slim majority in Parliament was erased when 16 Socialist legislators declared they would vote according to their consciences, rather than by party line.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - Italy has sent teams of aviation experts and police to Switzerland to help Swiss authorities find out what caused an Alitalia D-C-9 to crash near Zurich, killing all 40 passengers and six crew members aboard. The airline says six of the passengers were Americans. The jet crashed and burned on a thickly wooded hill five miles north of Zurich's airport last night.

News reports from the Philippines say more than 250 people were killed this week when Typhoon Mike blasted the central islands with 150 mile an hour

winds. A senator said the damage was like the blast of an atomic bomb. More than one-half Million homes were destroyed, as were hundreds of government buildings.

The Soivet K-G-B says a man accused of firing shots at a Red Square parade last week has told investigators that he intended to assassinate President Gorbachev. The K-G-B said the man was only 150 feet away from Gorbachev and other Soviet leaders when he allegedly fired two shots during the Revolution Day celebrations.

Eastern Airlines received a new lease on life late last night. A federal bankruptcy judge ruled that Eastern can make two 15 Million dollar withdrawals from an escrow account to meet its operating expenses. The decision saves Eastern from liquidation. The ruling came in New York after an eight-and-one-half hour session.

Pan Am Corporation says it will release details later today of its 400 Million dollar deal to sell its U-S-to-London routes and some other assets to United Airlines. The deal was reached last night in New York, shortly before a midnight deadlline set by boths sides last month.

The defense attorney representing a Cuban immigrant accused of setting the Happy Land Social Club fire that killed 87 people in New York in April is due to announce today whether he will use an insanity defense. Judge Burton Roberts had set a deadline of today for all medical experts to complete their evaluations of Julio Gonzalez.

Police in Alexandria, Virginia, last night arrested the son of Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan. Robert Jeffrey Lujan was charged with the rape of a woman who said she awoke Sunday to find a man in her apartment. Lujan is scheduled for arraignment today.

The Chinese Foreign Ministry has announced a new restriction on news reporting that bars coverage of state banquets for visiting foreign dignitaries. A spokeswoman called the move a ''reform.'' The policy apparently means that if an American president visits China, the White House press would NOT be allowed to cover the state banquet.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 73.80-76.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 121.00-128.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 40.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $205.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $414.50-$425.00; dealer- approx., $418.50-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 294.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 15) UPI - Gunmen fired AK-47 rifles on a sleeping family near the troubled eastern Zonkwezizwe squatter camp Thursday, killing four adults and wounding two others and two children in the latest surge of factional black violence in the area, police said.

A patrol arrested five men with two loaded AK-47s and a pistol shortly before finding the victims of the attack, which took place soon after midnight, a police spokesman said.

The attackers surrounded the people's sleeping quarters, a mini-bus and a tent before opening fire and raising the death toll in the area to 16 since Monday the spokesman said.

Three women and a man died instantly and the wounded included two women, an 8-month-old shot in the head and a 4-year-old shot in the right leg, the spokesman said.

''This is part of the ongoing violence here,'' he said.

Battles in the squatter camp and the adjoining Katlehong township began Monday when Zulus and Xhosas clashed with firearms and machetes. At least five people died in one clash and seven in another early Tuesday.

The fighting evidently was sparked by a politically motivated rent boycott in which Zulus refused to participate, police said.

Officers said the internecine strife is the worst in Katlehong since Xhosa supporters of the African National Congress and Zulus of the Inkatha Freedom Party clashed in townships surrounding Johannesburg for six weeks in late summer.

Some 800 people died in the earlier clashes, the worst urban violence in the country's history. The bloodshed ended after authorities imposed tough emergency measures.

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#90319u0888 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

ALEXANDRIA, VA (NOV. 15) UPI - A judge Thursday revoked bail for the son of Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan Jr. and ordered him held in jail after a woman said he broke into her apartment during the weekend, threatened her with a shotgun and raped her.

Robert Jeffrey Lujan, 28, was held in the Alexandria City Jail after his arraignment. A judge revoked his $2,000 bail after a prosecutor said Lujan was a danger to the community. A preliminary hearing was scheduled for Friday.

The younger Lujan, who was arrested Wednesday, was convicted on a cocaine charge in 1983 and has been treated for an alcohol problem. "My son has had a drinking problem for some time," the interior secretary said. "Whatever happened grew out of that problem. My son said both he and the woman had been drinking."

The incident that led to the arrest occurred early Sunday when the unidentified victim said she awoke to find an intruder in her apartment, which is in the same high-rise luxury condominium where Lujan lives with his parents.

"Jeff indicated to Secretary Lujan and his wife (Jean) that whatever did occur was consensual," Steven Goldstein, the secretary's spokesman, said. "They feel the anguish any parent would under similar circumstances." Manuel Lujan told

The Washington Post: "He met her after they were both drinking and he visited her at her apartment. She invited him over."

Goldstein said the woman told police that Jeff Lujan threatened her with a shotgun. The younger Lujan told his father that was not true, said Goldstein, who described the alleged victim as an "older woman."

Police tracked down Jeff Lujan, who works as an independent house painter, by distributing composite sketches in the neighborhood. Officers went to the family's apartment at about 6 p.m. Wednesday. He was arrested a short time later.

In 1983, the younger Lujan was arrested in New Mexico, and was convicted and served a brief sentence at a federal facility in Pennsylvania for selling a small amount of cocaine, Goldstein said.

Manuel Lujan was elected to represent New Mexico's 1st congressional district in 1968 and held that seat through January 1989. The Republican's district included Albuquerque, the state's largest city.

The Lujans have three other grown children: a son in Albuquerque, a daughter in Ohio and a daughter in a Virginia suburb of Washington. The arrest occurred five days before the Lujans' 42nd wedding anniversary.

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#90319u0914 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (NOV. 15) UPI - Two European executives of the recently privatized Argentine telephone system pledged Thursday to crack down on the black market in phone line installations that sell for thousands of dollars apiece.

In interviews with United Press International, the new executives also ruled out an immediate role for Bell Atlantic in the phone system.

Bell Atlantic, based in Philadelphia, won a bid to run the northern half of Argentina's phone system. The company lost a chance to sign the contract when it failed to make a verbal commitment before an Oct. 4 deadline to come up with the $2.3 billion in debt paper it originally said it could offer.

Bell Atlantic executives have threatened to sue Argentina to regain a role in the telephone system, which previously was a state entity.

President Carlos Menem privatized the system Nov. 8, selling the northern half to a consortium led by Stet of Italy and France Telecom, and the southern half to Telefonica of Spain and allied investors.

Stet-France Telecom replaced the Bell Atlantic group.

The European groups have pledged to pay $600 million in cash and $5 billion in debt paper for 60 percent interest in the company and operating control. They also committed themselves to invest $4.7 billion in the new system over a period of seven years.

Dominique Saint Jean, president of the northern half of Argentina's phone system that was bought by a French-Italian consortium, said Bell Atlantic had not approached the Europeans about entering into any joint venture.

''We respect Bell, but have no contact with them at this time,'' Saint Jean said.

''We don't need them. We are a consortium that has already been defined. We have our partners. We have our financing. We have our managers, and we have experience,'' he said.

Saint Jean, 42, was an executive of France Telecom based in Paris before taking up his assignment to run the northern half of Argentina's phone system, now known as Telecom Argentina.

Libertador Calogiuri, a former Rome-based executive of Stet who is now vice president of Telecom Argentina, said the new managers will crack down on the illegal selling of phone lines by employees, a common practice in Argentina for decades.

Argentines now pay between $2,500 and $4,000 on the black market to get a phone line installation in the absence of normal channels.

''What was done in the past (selling lines on the black market) will not take place now, because we will be very severe,'' Calogiuri said.

He said Stet and France Telecom, as part of their offer, agreed to guarantee jobs for the 21,000 employees in the northern sector, although he estimated that only half that number was needed to service the 1.5 million telephones in the region.

As the number of new phone lines grow dramatically over a period of years as expected, the excess employees will be utilized in new operations, he said.

Calogiuri said the first priority of Telecom Argentina will be to complete the installation of 60,000 lines that Argentines bought on an old installment plan but never received.

The second priority, he said, will be to repair an estimated 200,000 to 300,000 lines that now are either damaged or out of service.

Saint Jean said about 40 executives and technicians from France and Italy were

investigating the Telecom sector and drafting an investment plan that will need three months to prepare.

Once the plan is adopted, he said, it will take 1 1/2 to two years for investments in new facilities to be completed.

Eventually, the number of foreign experts in the Telecom Argentina firm will be ''around 15,'' he said.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - Arab and Soviet envoys continued their shuttle diplomacy today to sound out prospects of an Arab summit on the Gulf crisis. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak held a second round of talks in Damascus with his Syrian counterpart Hafez Assad. One Egyptian government official said Mubarak is trying to avert a military conflict in the Gulf, while at the same time ensuring an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait. .

Cairo Radio reports that two Soviet envoys arrived in the Cairo to talk with Egyptian leaders about a peaceful settlement of the standoff.

A spokesman for Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan says the secretary will NOT use his position to interfere with the prosecution of his son on rape charges. Robert Jeffrey Lujan was arrested last night in Alexandria, Virginia, and charged with breaking into a woman's home and raping her Sunday. Spokesman Steven Goldstein said the woman told police that the 28-year-old Lujan threatened her with a shotgun. Goldstein said Lujan told his father that the allegation was false.

The Senate ethics committee opens hearings today on the conduct of five senators accused of improperly exerting pressure on federal bank regulators to go easy on S-and-L operator Charles Keating Junior. Keating faces civil racketeering charges in California under a criminal fraud indictment resulting from the collapse of his Lincoln Savings and Loan.

The Italian airline Alitalia says six Americans were among 46 people killed last night when one of its D-C-9's crashed near Zurich, Switzerland. Police in Zurich said witness reported that there appeared to be an explosion aboard the D-C-9 before it crashed into a hill. Zurich airport officials said the pilot was clearly flying too low as he approached the airport from the north after circling it.

Testimony in the Central Park jogger rape case is expected to resume this afternoon. Jurors yesterday watched a videotaped statement of one of two teen-agers on trial for gang raping a woman jogger as he described how youths beat her and left her near death in the woods. In a tape expected to be played today, 18-year-old Kharey Wise admits participating in the attack and holding

down the jogger's legs while others raped her.

Fueling of the space shuttle Atlantis takes place this morning . The shuttle is scheduled for a spectacular night-time lift-off tonight on a secret mission to launch a spy satellite. If all goes well, the five-man all-military crew plans to take off on the 37th shuttle flight. Sources say the lift-off time is 6:46 tonight, eastern time.

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JERUSALEM (NOV. 15) UPI - Despite heavy security and widespread curfews, Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip celebrated Thursday the two-year anniversary of the declaration of a Palestinian state.

No serious incidents were reported as Palestinians handed out balloons, set off fireworks and raised outlawed Palestinian flags to mark the occasion.

In East Jerusalem, police fired tear gas and rubber bullets to disperse crowds of people celebrating the day on Salah ed Din Street, the main commercial area. One policeman was slightly hurt by a stone.

The army increased patrols in the territories and put more than 550, 000 Palestinians under curfew to prevent violence and demonstrations. The entire Gaza Strip was declared a closed military zone and curfews imposed on at least 13 refugee camps, towns and villages, including Gaza City.

Troops confiscated identification cards of people breaking the curfew and fined them $250. However, few people ventured from their homes.

In the West Bank, Nablus, the largest city, was put under curfew as well as three other cities and nine refugee camps. Bethlehem and other three other towns were declared closed military zones.

In addition, Palestinians from the territories were barred from entering Jerusalem.

The precautions were taken to prevent violence of the annivesary of the symbolic Nov. 15, 1988, declaration of an independent Palestinian state.

However, the mood in the territories was festive, resembling national days in many countries. In Jerusalem's walled Old City, balloons and streamers adorned buildings and fireworks exploded in the narrow streets. On a dome of the Holy Sepulchre, an outlawed Palestinian flag fluttered throughout the day.

Shops in the territories, which usually close at 1 p.m. in observance of a partial commercial strike, were open the whole day for the anniversary.

Most Palestinians stayed home from their jobs in Israel and schools were closed.

In the Bureij refugee camp in Gaza, the army destroyed three houses belonging to the families of three men suspected of killing an Israeli soldier in Septemeber.

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(NOV. 16) - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

California - Named Joe Maddon coordinator of minor league instruction, Chuck Hernandez roving pitching instructor, Eddie Rodriguez roving defensive instructor; named Greg Ruby pitching coach at Edmonton of Pacific Coast League (AAA), Don Long manager and Kernan Ronan pitching coach at Midland of Texas League (AA), Mitch Seoane manager at Quad City of Midwest League (A) and Derek Winchell trainer At Palm Springs of California League (A).

Taiyo Whales (Japanese League) - Signed outfielder R.J. Reynolds.

Texas - Sent pitchers Gary Mielke and Joe Bitker and catcher Mike Stanley to Oklahoma City of the American Association (AAA); promoted pitchers Barry Manuel, Cedric Shaw and Roger Pavlik, infielders Monty Fariss, Jose Hernandez and Rob Maurer and outfielder Tony Scruggs to the 40-man major league roster.

Basketball

Orlando - Claimed forward Howard Wright off waivers; waived center Mark McNamara.

Seattle - Activated center Dave Corzine.

College

Louisiana State - Football coach Mike Archer resigned, effective at the end of the season.

Football

Cleveland - Placed defensive end Al Baker on injured list.

Hockey

Detroit - Assigned center Keith Primeau to Adirondack of American Hockey League for 2-week conditioning period.

Montreal - Recalled left wing Mario Roberge from Fredericton of American Hockey League.

NHL - Supsended Los Angeles left wing Luc Robitaille 4 games as a result of match penalty in Nov. 10 game against Edmonton.

Pittsburgh - Recalled center Brad Aitken and defenseman Gord Dineen from Muskegon of the International Hockey League.

St. Louis - Recalled goaltender Guy Hebert from Peoria of the International Hockey League; signed conditioning consultant Mackie Shilstone to 3-year contract.

Washington - Signed defenseman Kevin Hatcher to 4-year contract.

Horse Racing

Hollywood Park - Suspended jockey Patrick Valenzuela from all California race tracks indefinitely.

New York Racing Association - Named Gerald Lawrence executive vice president.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking:

1. Notre Dame (51) (8-1)	807	1
2. Colorado (3) (9-1-1)	737	3
3. Miami (6-2)	664	4
4. Brigham Young (8-1)	571	6
5. Georgia Tech (8-0-1)	532	7
6. Texas (1) (7-1)	500	12
7. Virginia (8-1)	462	9
8. Washington (8-2)	428	2
9. Nebraska (9-1)	427	10
10. Florida State (7-2)	403	11
11. Mississippi (8-1)	249	14
12. Iowa (7-2)	237	5
13. Tennessee (5-2-2)	190	8
14. Penn State (7-2)	119	19
15. Clemson (8-2)	97	16
16. Michigan (6-3)	67	17
17. Louisville (9-1-1)	32	20

18. Ohio State (6-2-1)	27	24
19. Southern Cal (7-2-1)	15	NR
20. Texas A&M (6-2-1)	7	22
21. (tie) Auburn (6-2-1)	6	13
21. (tie) Michigan St. (5-3-1)	6	NR
23. Fresno State (8-1-1)	5	23
24. Illinois (6-3)	4	15
25. (tie) S. Mississippi (8-3)	2	NR
25. (tie) California (6-3-1)	2	NR

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: Baylor, Oregon, San Jose State, Wyoming.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - The shuttle Atlantis is flying what NASA Administrator Richard Truly has described as a ''crucial, national security mission.'' The shuttle lifted off earlier this evening from Cape Canaveral, Florida, on the seventh and what sources say will be the last top-secret shuttle flight. A Pentagon source says two more Air Force shuttle missions are planned next year but the payloads of both have been declassified. The source says the move would eliminate the need for elaborate security measures and save 80-Million dollars a year.

The State Department says it is somewhat dissatisfied with the investigation into the killing of six Jesuit priests and two women in El Salvador one year ago. Department spokesman Richard Boucher says the outcome of the investigation will effect relations with El Salvador, which now receives 375-MILLION dollars a year in U-S aid. Witnesses say the priests, their housekeeper and her daughter were slain by men dressed in military uniforms.

Typhoon Mike has hit northern Vietnam, where it is Friday already. The Manila Weather Bureau says Mike hit Vietnam with diminished center winds of 87 miles an hour after a devastating sweep across the central Philippines. Officials in Manila say at least 176 people were killed and more than half-a-Million left homeless during the typhoon's rampage. However, news reports put the death toll at 250.

A spokeswoman for Sotheby's in New York says the third and final lot of art and furniture from Greta Garbo's estate fetched two-and-a-half- Million dollars. The auction house yesterday put on the auction block French furniture and porcelain objects used by the late film actress to decorate her East Side apartment. But sales on Tuesday and Wednesday of two other lots from Garbo's estate proved disappointing, with some items failing to find buyers.

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(NOV. 15) UPI -

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Reduced				
Bank New Hampshire	Q	.05	1-2	12-12
Usual				
Bowater Inc	Q	.30	1-1	12-10
Bowne & Co	Q	.06 1/4	1-16	1-4
Current Inco Shrs	Q	.27 1/2	12-14	11-30
Eastern Co	Q	.14	12-15	11-30 IBP
Q	.15	1-15	12-	
Fst Merchants Corp	Q	.28	12-20	12-6
Frozen Food Express	Q	.05	12-6	11-29
Kelloggs Co	Q	.48	12-14	12-3
Laclede Steel Co	Q	.10	12-17	12-3
Manitowoc Co	Q	.25	12-10	12-1
Moore Corp Ltd	Q	.23 1/2	1-2	11-30
Penney (JC) Co	Q	.66	2-1	1-10
Pennsylvania Entrp	Q	.55	12-15	12-1
Roadway Services	Q	.27 1/2	2-1	1-15
Service Corp Intl	Q	.14	1-31	1-16
Valley Forge Corp	Q	.07 1/2	12-18	12-7
Wiser Oil Co	Q	.10	12-10	11-30

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - International spot crude oil prices as provided by Telerate Systems Inc. at midday Thursday:

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	27.50-27.60	27.05-27.10
North Sea Brent	32.05-32.10	31.47-31.52
West Texas Intermed	31.65-31.70	31.15-31.20

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - Business inventories increased 0.5 percent in September while sales fell 0.5 percent, the Commerce Department said Thursday, as America's recessionary economy limped along.

The data were in line with economists' forecasts.

''The report was generally another signal of recession,'' said Norman Robertson, chief economist at Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh. ''I think a recession has started.''

The drop in September sales was the largest since a 1 percent decline in April and the first since a 0.4 percent slide during July, a government spokesman said.

''It's not surprising to find weakness in sales and not surprising to find some unintended buildup of inventories,'' Robertson said. ''Businesses will move quickly to avoid any imbalance and avoid the huge buildup of stock that has been associated with severe economic downturns.''

But he added: ''I don't think the numbers indicated a sign of major deterioration in the inventory situation.''

In August, the nation's stockpile of unsold goods edged up a revised 0.7 percent and sales gained 2.1 percent, according to the data compiled by the department's Census Bureau.

The government said sales totaled $548.74 billion in September, adjusted for seasonal factors, and business inventories totaled nearly $811.5 billion during the month.

''It does confirm that growth is slow,'' but not in recession, countered economist Jean Sundrla at Evans Economics in Washington. She believes the downturn will begin in the first three months of 1991.

''This has been one of the most highly publicized recessions in history,'' Sundrla said. ''If anyone gets caught with high inventories that's their fault at this point.''

''This recession has the potential to be a mild recession - but a very long

one,'' she added.

Compared with September 1989, inventories climbed 2.8 percent while sales were up nearly 4 percent.

By category, manufacturers' inventories increased 0.6 percent in September after inching up 0.3 percent in August, while retailers' inventories gained 0.4 percent in September after climbing 1.6 percent in August.

Wholesalers' inventories increased 0.4 percent in September after dipping 0.3 percent in August.

On the sales side, manufacturers' sales fell 0.7 percent in September after jumping 3.3 percent in August. Retailers' sales advanced 1.3 percent in September after being unchanged in August.

Wholesale sales dropped 1.8 percent in September after increasing 2.1 percent in August.

The government also said that the inventory to sales ratio, which tracks goods delivery time, hit 1.48 in September after scoring 1.46 in August, also adjusted for seasonal factors.

But Robertson said the ratio was ''well below levels normally or usually associated with recessions.''

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MONROVIA, IN (NOV. 15) UPI - The principal can pack a pistol at Monrovia Elementary School if he wishes, the school board decided.

The board had told Principal Michael R. "Rob" Finchum a month ago to stop carrying a gun to school but the Wednesday decision effectively allows him to resume doing so. The board voted 3-1 to reject a proposal to ban firearms on school property without the board's permission.

Finchum started carrying the gun on school grounds in February with secret permission of the board and the district superintendent after he said he had been threatened by a disgruntled parent.

The arrangement was disclosed last month by a new school board member, Kenneth W. Brown, who argued that any gun in school is dangerous. Brown was not at Wednesday's meeting. The son and daughter of the parent who Finchum said had threatened him no longer are in Monrovia schools.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - The Food and Drug Administration should be given more power to punish generic drug firms that are sloppy or dishonest to prevent the kind of wrongdoing that has occurred in the past, a panel said Thursday.

The Blue Ribbon Committee on Generic Medicines, an independent panel set up by the Generic Pharmaceutical Industry Association in February, issued a report outlining changes aimed at averting further problems in the industry.

For nearly two years, the FDA's generic drug division has been embroiled in a scandal stemming from bribery convictions of FDA employees and company officials, as well as revelations of other serious wrongdoing among manufacturers.

Generic drugs are supposed to be chemically equivalent to brand-name drugs with expired patents. Generic medications, which are generally cheaper than brand-name products, account for as much as one-third of the U.S. prescription drug market.

About 250 products made by 27 generic firms were recalled and more than 100 drug approvals have been or are in the process of being withdrawn, the FDA said. Among the offenses uncovered were instances of companies trying to pass off brand-name drugs as their own generic formulas to win FDA approval.

"We believe the FDA is now on top of the problem," said Lewis Engman, a Washington lawyer who headed the panel and former chairman of the Federal Trade Commission. In its 107-page report, the expert panel made more than 30 recommendations to prevent another scandal.

Specifically, the seven-member committee recommended Congress grant FDA additional power to: bar generic drug officials who commit certain offenses from further business ventures with products regulated by FDA, impose civil fines, seize profits resulting from criminal misconduct and require firms whose employees have engaged in misconduct related to drug approval to prove all their products are safe and effective.

Also, the committee recommended that the FDA make changes in its generic drug review and approval process, which currently gives an advantage to the first company to submit an application regardless of its initial scientific merits.

One way to create "a more level playing field" would be for the FDA to hold an informational meeting with generic drug manufacturers before a patent on a brand-name drug expires, and to review all qualified applications simultaneously, Engman said.

Finally, the panel told the generic pharmaceutical industry that it should set up a model code of conduct for its members, and also encourage reporting of

adverse drug reactions to the FDA by such methods as a telephone "hotline" for consumers.

"The committee believes generic medicines make a major contribution to consumers. The committee recognizes that its recommendations may increase some companies' costs, but nonetheless believes that the increased benefit to the public associated with a reliable supply of generic medicines justifies the additional expense," the report said.

Bill Grigg, a spokesman for the FDA, said the agency is reviewing the panel's recommendations, but said they appear to be "a reasonable attempt to reveal the problems of the industry and seek some solutions."

On Wednesday, the FDA announced it was immediately requiring all laboratories that test generic drugs to ensure they are equivalent to brand-name drugs to keep samples of all drugs they test for five years so the FDA can check the tests.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Acton Corp (3rd Q 9-30)	
$51,813,000	$42,612,000
d-$6,231,000	$959,000 (.21)
Amer Integrity (3rd Q 9-30)	
$24,413,000	$18,397,000
d-$1,574,000	a-$1,828,000 (.27)

a-Includes net realized investment gains of $454,000, or 6 cents a share.
d-Deficit.

Campbell Soup (1st Q 10-28)	
$1,594,300,000	$1,523,500,000
$105,100,000 (.82)	$83,000,000 (.64)
Cineplex Odeon (3d Q 9-30)	
$164,799,000	$174,319,000
d-$7,591,000	d-$7,192,000

d-Deficit.

Gap Inc (3rd Q 11-3)	
$501,690,000	$405,501,000
$47,726,000 (.67)	$34,232,000 (.49)

Leisure Tech (2nd Q 9-30)
$28,092,000 $40,581,000
d-$8,047,000 $676,000 (.03)
d-Deficit. Reflects $5 million writedown on the estimated current net realizable value of the company's real estate inventory.

M C M Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$35,769,000 $39,640,000
d-$663,000 d-$1,524,000

Rose's Stores (3rd Q 10-27)
$346,143,000 $345,321,000
d-$2,699,000 d-$248,000
d-Deficit.

Sea Containers (3rd Q 9-30)
$121,457,000 $355,955,000
$24,259,000 (4.42) $70,942,000 (6.27)

Sotheby's Hldgs (3rd Q 9-30)
$24,300,000 $32,400,000
d-$3,265,000 d-$5,125,000
d-Deficit.

Southwest Gas (9-30)
$168,850,000 $168,341,000
d-$6,322,000 d-$2,299,000
d-Deficit.

Western Union (3rd Q 9-30)
$145,295,000 a-$157,317,000
d-$26,628,000 d-$13,074,000
a-Includes $4,335,000 in revenues form services formerly provided, which are not included in 1990 revenues.
d-Deficit.

West Point Pepperell (3rd Q 9-30)
$309,617,000 $345,214,000
$2,898,000 (.10) $17,156,000 (.58)

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#90319u1016 11/15/1990 ~United Press International
OMAHA (NOV. 15) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 25; slaughter 25; feeders none; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 2,100; butchers 50 lower, some over 250 lb 1.00 off, No 1-3 220-260 lb 51.00-51.50, No 2-3 260-290 lb 49.00-50.50, 290-325 lb 46.00-48.00; sows 30 percent, 50 lower, No 1-3 350-500 lb 43.00-45.00, many 43.00-43.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 50.00, some around 600 lb 50.50.

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(NOV. 15) UPI - American Marines launched a practice beach invasion Thursday along the Saudi Arabian coast, apparently near the Kuwaiti border, as Egypt and Syria accused Iraq of foiling a peaceful settlement of the Persian Gulf crisis by setting conditions for an Arab summit.

The Pentagon said the beach drill, dubbed ''Imminent Thunder,'' involved 16 ships, about 1,000 Marines and 1,100 aircraft and is to continue through Nov. 21.

They declined to say where in the Persian Gulf it was taking place but it was believed to near Iraq-occupied Kuwait.

The Pentagon also said U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines would exercise with Saudi air, naval and marine units to ''conduct Desert Shield training in joint and combined operations for participating forces and to enhance amphibious warfare skills.''

The remarks directed at Iraq by Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and his Syrian counterpart, Hafez Assad appeared to dim the chances for an Arab summit to deal with the Persian Gulf crisis, but other Arab and Soviet envoys pressed their shuttle diplomacy to sound out prospects of a summit.

Mubarak and Assad said in a joint communique after two days of talks in Damascus, Syria, that they too would continue consultations with other Arab leaders ''to preserve the interests and unity of the Arab nation.''

But they emphasized that ''because of what has been issued directly from Baghdad, setting preconditions, it makes it difficult if not impossible to hold such a summit.''

Iraq has said it would attend an emergency Arab summit, urged by Morocco's King Hassan, only if the anti-Iraq resolutions passed at the last summit in Cairo on Aug. 10 ''are declared null and void.''

A majority of Arab states voted at the Cairo summit to support United Nations sanctions against Iraq and to back resolutions demanding that Baghdad end its occupation of Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2 and later annexed. The meeting also sanctioned the dispatch of Egyptian, Syrian and Moroccan troops to the gulf region to discourage further Iraqi aggression.

The Mubarak-Assad statement also said Iraq's refusal to withdraw from Kuwait made any compromise impossible. ''Statements given later by Iraqi officials, in which they stress the insistence of the Iraqi leadership to refuse any withdrawal from Kuwait, and the continued annexation of Kuwait are not constructive,'' it said.

Only three of the 21 members of the Arab League - Jordan, the Palestine Liberation Organization and Mauritania - gave immediate backing to the summit call. But Arab radio stations monitored in Cairo said Yemen and Sudan also agreed and there were signs Libya, Tunisia and Algeria would follow suit.

A Soviet envoy, Deputy Foreign Minister Vladimir Petrovsky, meeting Thursday in Rabat, Morocco, with Hassan, issued another blunt warning to Iraq that it must pull its troops out of Kuwait to prevent war, state-owned Rabat Radio reported Thursday.

''The Soviet Union warned Iraq that war would erupt in the gulf unless it withdrew its troops from Kuwait immediately,'' the radio report said. ''(Petrovsky) said the situation in the gulf was approaching the danger point and said the military solution cannot be avoided except through the Iraqi unconditional and immediate troop withdrawal from Kuwait, and the restoration of the legitimate Kuwaiti government.''

Petrovsky, who was later scheduled to visit Libya, Tunisia and Algeria, said Hassan's call for an emergency summit had Soviet support and that Arab nations themselves have the best chance to persuade Iraq to pull out peacefully, according to the Rabat Radio report.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's special Middle East envoy, Yevgeny Primakov, was reported to have issued a similar warning to Iraq after talks last month in Baghdad with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, the state-owned radio said.

A second Soviet envoy, Alexander Belonogov, arrived Thursday in Cairo from the Yemeni capital Sanaa for talks with Egyptian leaders, Cairo Radio reported.

Saudi Arabia dampened hopes for a summit when its foreign minister, Prince Saud al Faisal, said Wednesday in the United Arab Emirates that Iraq should first accept U.N. resolutions calling for its withdrawal from Kuwait before any summit could be held.

Saud echoed the sentiments of the pro-Kuwaiti Arab camp that if Iraq failed to agree to a troop withdrawal, then any Arab gathering would be a "waste of time.''

Mubarak himself last month rejected a Soviet proposal for an Arab summit, saying that without a specific agenda the meeting would degenerate into a

shouting match between pro-Kuwaiti and pro-Iraqi delegates. Iraqi delegates were reported to have thrown plates at Kuwaiti delegates at an Arab summit after the invasion of Kuwait.

Egyptian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali arrived Thursday in Beijing for a three-day official visit. Egyptian officials said he would remind Chinese leaders that only a complete Iraqi withdrawal can achieve peace in the volatile region.

Meanwhile, Amman radio Thursday quoted German Chancellor Helmut Kohl as saying the danger of war would lessen if Iraq freed all remaining hostages, and Denmark said it was assured by Iraq that 16 of its 38 nationals in Iraqi custody would be freed Friday.

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#90319u1026 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 15) UPI - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher went on the defensive Thursday in her battle to retain control of the ruling Conservative Party, saying she was considering changes in Britain's widely unpopular poll tax.

Former Defense Secretary Michael Heseltine is trying to unseat Thatcher in a party vote next Tuesday by appealing to Conservatives' concerns about their re-election prospects in polls that must be called by mid-1991.

Heseltine has hit hard on Thatcher's resistance to plans by the other 11 nations of the European Community to unify markets and nations, and her government's poll tax, a levy denounced as inequitable because it is a flat fee on the people unrelated to income.

Thatcher sought to outflank him, saying in Parliament in her first public comment on the challenge that she may adjust some aspects of the poll tax. Heseltine has said the poll tax bite could be halved if funding for schools were switched from local government to the central government. Thatcher told Parliament that this idea would only push up the income tax.

Heseltine was not present in the chamber, but Paddy Ashdown, leader of the Liberal Democrats, asked the prime minister about the challenge, demanding to know why she was still in office when she had said five years ago that she planned to step down in five years.

''I confess that this is not the foremost thought in my mind,'' Thatcher replied in a determined voice. ''After three general election victories, leading the only party with policies clearly carried out, I intend to continue.''

Heseltine's name was officially forwarded Thursday to the Conservative Party by two colleagues - Neil MacFarlane and Peter Tapsell - to meet a noon

deadline for challenges.

Backers of Thatcher and Heseltine are now trying to attract the 372 conservative members of Parliament who are eligible to vote and political analysts say it will be difficult to assess the closed-door debate before the secret ballot.

But several members have publicly backed Heseltine and one opinion poll said most people favored him for leader.

''I wish the prime minister would take a note of what many people are saying and retire gracefully,'' said MacFarlane, a former sports minister.

In announcing his challenge Wednesday, Heseltine said as prime mininster he would review the poll tax, Many polls have found most undecided voters favoring Neil Kinnock, leader of the main opposition Labor Party, because of the tax.

Peter Emery, a Conservative member of Parliament who favors Heseltine, said, ''There are a vast number of people - every member of Parliament's postbag has shown this - people who say that we will never vote conservative again as long as Mrs. Thatcher is leader.''

The Conservative division is the deepest since Thatcher's 1975 ouster of Edward Heath for party leadership. Geoffrey Howe, who resigned as deputy prime minister Nov. 8, angrily told Parliament Tuesday that Thatcher's approach to the EC could isolate Britain economically and politically from the European mainstream.

Meanwhile, the government announced Thursday that unemployment had reached 6 percent, the highest level in 13 months. One economist called the figure ''highly embarrassing'' for the Thatcher government, but another noted that the figure reflected a way of holding down inflation.

Bookmakers have Thatcher the 2-1 favorite and Heseltine at 7-4, but the former defense minister could undermine her 11 years in Downing Street if there are enough protest votes against her.

Thatcher needs 214 Conservative votes, or 15 percent more than the majority, to win. Heseltine says he has the support of more than 100 members and if there are abstentions to bring the anti-Thatcher camp to more than 158, then the vote goes to a second round Nov. 27.

At this point, another contender could enter the fray as a compromise candidate agreeable to both sides, as well as to those firmly committed against Heseltine. The speculation is that Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd is the stalking horse candidate, despite his tepid denials.

The Independent newspaper printed a survey Thursday showing Labor's 14 percentage point public approval rating nationwide would fall to 5 points if Heseltine became leader.

A string of conservative by-election defeats has shown that repugnance for Thatcher's perceived imperious leadership style is an issue. The survey revealed that 57 percent of 1,084 people polled by The Independent said they believe Thatcher is devious and 64 percent found her uncaring.

Heseltine scored 34 and 21 percent on those categories, respectively, but Thatcher was viewed as stronger and cooler than her challenger.

The Independent poll found 60 percent think a leadership challenge would clear the air and be positive and only 25 percent shared the view of Thatcher loyalists that the dispute should be avoided while Britain is facing severe problems, such as the Persian Gulf crisis.

The Independent said the poll was only a ''snapshot of public opinion,'' but indicated ''the public mood can offer little comfort'' to Thatcher.

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#90319u1036 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 15) UPI - Stock prices closed slightly higher in moderate trading Thursday on the London International Stock Exchange as opinion polls indicatedPrime Minister Margaret Thatcher's chances of fending off a challenge to her leadership had improved.

Stocks also finished higher in Frankfurt. Trading was light.

In London, the blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 10.0 points Wednesday, rebounded 14.0 points to 2,060.0. The narrower top 30 industrial average gained 16.4 points to 1,599.6.

Volume amounted to around 434 million shares, higher than the 345 million that changed hands Wednesday.

Analysts said the market was boosted by a poll that suggested Thatcher has a good chance of surviving as leader of the ruling Conservative Party.

Michael Heseltine, a former defense secretary under Thatcher, announced Wednesday that he planned to challenge her for the leadership of the Conservatives in the House of Commons.

The challenge, analysts said, brings to a head growing disenchantment with Thatcher among Conservative members in Parliament.

Analysts said stocks also gained following two Department of Employment

reports showing unemployment and average earnings were in line with market expectations.

Unemployment in Britain reached 6 percent of the total working population in October, surging to its highest level in 13 months, according to provisional estimates by the Department of Employment. The September rate was 5.9 percent.

The number of unemployed last month rose by 32,000, the largest monthly increase in more than four years. Total unemployment was 1.7 million people - a level analysts said confirms Britain is in a recession.

''The unemployment figures were actually quite encouraging, in a perverse way '' said Chris Dillow, a Nomura Research economist.

He said he believed the figures show companies were cutting costs by shedding jobs rather than by holding wages down.

The practice will help combat Britain's inflation rate, which at more than 10 percent is one of the highest in Europe, analysts explained.

Meanwhile, the government reported the underlying annual rate of increase in average earnings in Britain rose to 10.25 percent in September from a revised 10 percent in August.

Average earnings as a whjole rose a seasonally adjusted 0.7 percent in September from August and were up 9.6 percent from September 1989.

Productivity in manufacturing fell 0.7 percent in September and was down 0.8 percent from a year ago.

Action on the London exchange Thursday focused on the insurance sector, whose issues recovered from recent setbacks. Commercial Union added 10 cents to $8.74 and General Accident gained 26 cents to $8.28 amid hopes for increased premiums.

Among other widely traded shares, Burton jumped 23 cents to $1.50, spurred by market speculation that a takeover bid would be made for the struggling retail group and by news of the departure of its chairman, Sir Ralph Halpern.

Boots, the pharmacy group, added 16 cents to $6.15 following analysts' favorable comment on its earnings.

But Wellcome, the pharmaceutical giant, plummeted $1.12 to $7.25 after reporting pretax profits rose 11 percent, below market expecations.

In Germany, prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed higher on light volume.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 3.32 points Wednesday, tacked on another 14.96 points to 1,421.19.

Analysts said stocks reacted favorably to earnings results released over the past several days by leading companies such as Siemens, Daimler-Benz and byseveral key construction companies.

On the local economic front, economic advisers to the German government cautioned that a large budget deficit caused by the growing cost of German unity might force the authorities to raise taxes.

The board of four experts warned extensive government borrowing will burden the federal budget with high interest payments, which can only be covered by an increase in government revenue.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl's conservative-led government has repeatedly said it would not raise taxes to pay for the mounting bill of rebuilding the crumbling eastern German economy.

The experts said in their annual assessment of economic trends that the western German economy will continue to boom, while the situation in eastern Germany will worsen until the middle of next year. At that point, productivity and consumption will pick up again, they predicted.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 15) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

Major potato markets: FOB shipping points, per hundredweight unless otherwise stated:

Round reds (100 lb sacks) Colorado 8.50-9.00. Minnesota-North Dakota 9.00-9.50.

Norkotahs and Burbanks (100 lb sacks, non- size A) Colorado 6.00-6.50, Idaho 6.50-7.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) Wisconsin 12.00- 14.00, Washington 15.00, Colorado 12.00-15.00, Idaho 14.00-16.00, Oregon 14.00-16.00; (50 lb cartons, 100 count) Wisconsin 8.00-8.50, Washington 11.00-12.00, Colorado

10.00-12.00, Idaho 9.50-11.00, Oregon 10.00-12.00.

Round whites (100 lb sacks) Wisconsin 5.75- 6.00.

Colorado centennials (100 lb sacks, non-size A) 5.50-6.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) 9.00- 12.00, (100 count) 7.50-9.00.

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#90319u1078 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 15) UPI - Chances for an early Arab summit on the Persian Gulf crisis are fading rapidly as the leaders of Egypt and Syria accuse Iraq of trying to sabotage the meeting even before it begins. Egypt's Hosni Mubarak and Hafez Assad of Syria charge that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is stonewalling any peace initiative by setting pre-conditions for peace talks. The joint communique was issued at the end of a two-day visit by Mubarak to Syria.

The rapid deployment of U-S troops to the Persian Gulf region dwarfs the movement ot American forces to Vietnam. About 230-thousand Americans are in the Gulf region now, with that number expected to nearly double by early next year. In 1961, there were 685 military personnel in South Vietnam. It was NOT until 1965 that the total number went to 200- thousand, and it did NOT reach 500-thousand until two years later.

The American Cancer Society's 14th annual ''Great American Smoke-out'' is under way... a 24-hour period in which smokers are asked to give up their habits as a prelude to permanently quitting. A Cancer Society spokesman says a Gallup survey last year showed that 17-point-nine- Million smokers took part and about five-point-two-Million people stayed off cigarettes for the entire day.

A sweeping clean-air bill is law today, ending a 13-year battle in Congress over how to change the 1977 Clean Air Act. President Bush fulfilled a campaign pledge today as he signed the update into law. It tightens pollution controls over the next 20 years, and Congress passed it despite warnings from industry that it will costs thousands of Americans their jobs. But the president and others say the bill will help control disease and premature death for an estimated 50-thousand Americans a year.

Super typhoon Mike did severe damage in Cebu city, the second-most-important commercial center in the Philippines. A Filipino senator compared the damage to the aftermath of an atomic bomb blast. The Philippines military office says the storm killed 103 people, left 84 others missing and presumed dead and 107 injured. Typhoon Mike slammed into the central Philippines on Tuesday with winds of up to 150 miles an hour.

This may be the middle of November but it is hard to tell that from what some people in the Midwest are wearing today. Record highs of several degress above

the old benchmarks are expected to be set by the time the sun goes down. The Indian summer weather is expected to produce readings of 70 degrees or better as far north as Chicago.

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#90319u1132 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (NOV. 15) UPI - Secret police never considered manipulating anti-communist dissidents to overthrow the country's aging Communist Party leadership, it was reported Thursday.

The report by two Prague newspapers contradicts generally accepted theories that last November's Velvet Revolution, which overthrew 42 years of Communist rule, was actually an attempted Communist putsch that turned sour.

Thursday's report quotes the general military prosecutor, Miroslav Krizenecky, who says that as late as Nov. 23 Lorenc wanted to use force against the protestors. The next day Lorenc and Defense Minister Miroslav Vacek tried to persuade the politburo to use the army against the protestors.

Lorenc was arrested two weeks ago and taken to Prague for questioning.

Saturday marks one year since Czechoslovak riot police and anti- terrorist commandoes attacked 10,000 peaceful student demonstrators in downtown Prague, sparking a week of mass protests that brought down Communist rule in Czechoslovakia.

As with any momentuous occurrence, there is no shortage of theories as to what really happened.

A parliamentary commission turned in a half-finished report on the revolution and a second commission of the federal Parliament is conducting its own investigation of the events leading up to the revolution.

A special presidential commission investigating the army's role in the revolution reported last month that Vacek and his chief of staff, Gen. Antonin Slimak, had prepared a plan and tried, with Lorenc, to persuade the politburo to let them use troops and tanks on the demonstrators.

Havel has since fired Vacek but Slimak has remained in office.

The students were marching on Nov. 17, as they had for many years, to commemorate the 1939 killing by Nazi invaders of student Jan Opletal, an officially sanctioned hero for communists and dissidents.

Arriving at Opletal's gravesite in the Vysehrad cemetary, the students decided to continue marching on to Wencelaus Square in downtown Prague.

Some say it was a spontaneous decision, others that it was a clever ruse by secret police ''agents provocateurs.'' Whatever the case, the students continued their march along the Vlatava River until they were confronted by several thousand police in riot gear, including anti- terrorist ''red beret'' troops.

The subsequent beatings injured 54 seriously and sent 561 people to hospital. The following evening Vaclav Havel and other dissidents and signers of the Charter 77 human rights document met in Havel's Prague apartment to form Civic Forum.

Within three weeks, Civic Forum had lead the country to overthrow the communist government and last Dec. 10 the Communists finally yielded power.

The most radical conspiracy theory yet published is by Miroslav Dolejsi, a former political prisoner who spent 18 years in prison, six of them in uranium mines.

Dolesji, in a 3-part article in a Prague tabloid last month, said there was no revolution, merely a long and carefully orchestrated campiagn set in motion by a conspiracy involving the Soviet KGB, the CIA, Israel's Mossad intelligence service, Masonic lodges, Zionists and ''Jewish trade unions'' in Sweden and the United States, masterminded by President Reagan and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in 1987.

He said Eastern Europe's dissident groups were composed entirely of Communist sleeper agents.

''All the dissident groups in all these countries were established and controlled by the Communist Party, who expelled from the Party, persecuted or imprisoned them with only one aim - to make these people popular and known.''

Theories abound, but it is uncertain that anyone will ever find the whole truth.

''If we don't learn anything in the first two or three months after the event, we can not learn anything,'' said prosecutor Krizenecky.

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#90319u1149 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - The alcohol and tobacco industries should be required to pay for advertising discouraging teen drinking and smoking, and if their ads continue to try to lure youth by 1992, all product advertising should be banned, a national panel recommended Thursday.

"What we found should not come as any great surprise - that alcohol and tobacco are the drugs of choice by far and that they are gateway drugs to

other substances," said Rep. Mike DeWine, R-Ohio, a member of the National Commission on Drug-Free Schools co-chaired by Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos and outgoing National Drug Control Policy Director William Bennett.

The commission's recommendations come as surveys find drug use by young people is declining and federal anti-drug spending is increasing. "Now is precisely the wrong moment to be complacent about any success. National resolve must not slacken," the report said.

"The commission supports all efforts to reduce the illegal use of alcohol and tobacco and to counteract the adverse effects of alcohol and tobacco promotion and advertising on youth," it said.

The commission said Congress should require the alcohol and tobacco industries to turn over a portion of their advertising and promotion budget to an independent agency to develop "counteradvertising" aimed at curbing drinking and smoking by underage youth.

Also, by 1992, if an independent agency has determined the alcohol and tobacco industries are still targeting youth and glamorizing use of their products, "Congress should consider enacting a ban on advertising and promotion of either or both of these products," the report said.

The commission also recommended higher excise taxes on alcohol and tobacco products to fund alcohol and tobacco prevention, treatment and health programs. The new budget package did hike those taxes, but the intended use is federal deficit reduction. The industries, predictably, raised Cain over the recommendations.

"Overall, the premise they're taking on advertising is flawed because they're making the statement that alcohol targets youth and that is obviously incorrect," said Jeff Becker, vice president of The Beer Institute.

Janet Flynn of the Distilled Spirits Council of the United States said the report "falls into the anti-alcohol rhetoric that leads to misdirected and inefficient policy recommendations. The report is nothing but a recitation of all of the fallacious anti-alcohol messages given by those who oppose the responsible use of alcohol."

And The Tobacco Institute said the commission "would be hard-pressed" to prove cigarette advertising is aimed at teens. And it rejected the idea of paying for counteradvertising.

"Before they reach into the private sector pocketbook to create a propaganda campaign ... I think they ought to take a second look at what they're proposing," said Thomas Lauria, a spokesman for The Tobacco Institute.

But DeWine said the industry spokespersons are flat wrong. "We found, as a

matter of fact, that the alcohol and tobacco industries are targeting youth," DeWine said.

"The only dispute within the commission was that some members wanted to go all the way and say that advertising ought to be banned. Other members took the position that, yes, it's a problem, but we don't want to get into that recommendation. Basically, we took the middle ground," he said. Other commission recommendations included:

- States should raise taxes on cigarettes and alcohol beverages, "especially beer," ban cigarette vending machines and prohibit alcohol and tobacco advertising and promotion at all state colleges and universities, including at sporting events.
- Schools should concentrate prevention efforts in the elementary grades.
- Communities should keep school buildings open beyond regular school hours.
- Parents should make it clear to family members and friends that underage youth may not use alcohol or tobacco in the home.

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#90319u1160 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - The cutting torches have already begun to destroy Soviet armored vehicles, in anticipation of what a senior administration official described Thursday as the "most ambitious arms control treaty in history."

The Conventional Forces in Europe treaty between the 16 NATO nations and the six Warsaw Pact countries is to be signed at the summit of 34 countries belonging to the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe this weekend in Paris.

It will limit the most lethal kinds of weapons in the area "from the Atlantic to the Urals," roughly in the area bordered by the English Channel in the west the Alps in the south, the Baltics in the north and the foothills of the Ural Mountains in the East. That area has been, in the last 40 years, the most heavily armed 2.5 million square miles on Earth.

A senior administration official described the completed CFE treaty as "the most ambitious arms control treaty in history, a tremendous accomplishment." Some arms will remain, but at levels that are lower than present and which put the NATO countries and the Warsaw Pact at numerical equality. The new levels, which will have to be reached in about 3 1/2 years, are:

- Battle tanks, 20,000 for each side.
- Artillery, 20,000 for each side.
- Armored combat vehicles, such as armored personnel carriers, 30,000 for each side.
- Combat aircraft, 6,800 for each side.

- Attack helicopters, 2,000 for each side.

A senior administration official, briefing reporters at the White House, said that the Soviets, who have had an overwhelming numerical superiority in most of these weapons, have already begun cutting up their older tanks.

But, in a move that may bring questions in the ratification process in the U.S. Senate, they have begun to move some of their tanks east of the Urals where they would not be counted in the totals. The Soviets have told the U.S. negotiators that this is where their most pressing defense needs would arise, a presumed reference to nationality conflicts and a potential threat from China.

A State Department official said, "Our main aim was to remove weapons from the center of Europe, where there always is a potential danger of confrontation. We would also like to see them destroyed, but the Soviets have been very frank about telling us where the tanks are going and what will be done with them. Some of them will be converted to civilian purposes, such as tractors, and others will be destroyed."

The official said that the United States has similar rights under the treaty and could move some of its equipment back to the United States, or sell tanks or give them away to allies outside of Europe. This process has already begun with the delivery to Egypt, at yard-sale prices, of outmoded M-60 tanks that had been based with U.S. forces in Europe.

U.S. Armored vehicles temporarily transferred from Europe to Saudi Arabia in the gulf crisis will count against the total allowed NATO in Europe, since it is assumed they will return when the crisis is over.

The conspicuous omission in the treaty is a limit on the number of troops for each side, a matter that consumed years of painstaking negotiations in Vienna. An agreement had been reached earlier this year on mutual limits of 195,000 troops for each side. But events, including the unification of Germany, outpaced the abilities of the U.S. and Soviet negotiators to write the treaty.

So the manpower issue was put aside and will be dealt with in the subsequent negotiations, to be known as CFE 2. Those talks will begin almost immediately after the signing, in the coming week, of the CFE treaty in Paris.

The negotiators spent months working out the precise details of verifying the treaty by outside inspection teams, and calculating how the Warsaw Pact can split up its allotment of tanks and other weapons. For example, Bulgaria will be allowed 235 combat aircraft, while the Soviet Union will be permitted 5,150.

U.S. officials said that some of the bitterest negotiations involved arguments between the Soviets and their former allies about how the total number of permitted weapons would be split up between them.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 15) UPI - Three former Lockheed Corp. employees who claimed they were fired for reporting problems with the giant C-5B military cargo plane were awarded more than $45 million in punitive and other damages Thursday.

A Superior Court jury that had deliberated since Nov. 5 following a six-week trial agreed the men were wrongfully terminated by Lockheed in October 1985.

Clyde Jones Jr., Terrence Schielke and Thomas Benecke, were awarded a combined $45 million in punitive damages, $230,000 in lost earnings and $136,500 for emotional distress.

The men said they uncovered problems in the manufacturing of the main airframe of the C-5B, and took their concerns to top Lockheed management during 1984 and 1985.

Lockheed executives said the three men were fired because they had not followed proper procedures for reporting program irregularities, delayed making their reports and accused management of a cover-up.

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#90319u1164 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - Yields for 52-week T-bills fell to 6.81 percent at Thursday's monthly auction, the lowest since 6.74 percent May 5, 1988, the Treasury Department said.

The government said it sold $11.88 billion worth of the bills, and that the average investment rate was 7.28 percent at an average price of $9,313.30. At the last auction Oct. 26, the bills yielded 7.01 percent.

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#90319u1170 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Los Angeles Kings left wing Luc Robitaille Thursday was suspended by the NHL for four games as a result of his match penalty for attempting to injure Edmonton's Craig Simpson in a game last Saturday.

Under NHL rules, the suspension will take effect next Thursday unless the Kings notify the league by Friday they waive the right to appeal. In that case the suspension takes place immediately.

NHL executive vice president Brian O'Neill said Robitaille tried to retaliate for an earlier check by Simpson.

''In considering this incident it is clear that Robitaille acted out of retaliation for a previous check and it is also clear he struck the Edmonton player with considerable force even though no injury resulted,'' O'Neill said. ''In addition, the act was deliberate and therefore the match penalty was the appropriate penalty.''

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LEXINGTON, KY (NOV. 15) UPI - Alydar, forever linked with Affirmed in thoroughbred racing's greatest rivalry, was put to death Thursday after fracturing his leg while recovering from surgery.

The 15-year-old stallion was destroyed by lethal injection at 8 a.m. EST at Calumet Farm and buried later in the morning on the sprawling grounds where he was born and became one of racing's finest sires.

Calumet Farm announced the death in a one-sentence statement, saying the runner-up to to Affirmed in each of the 1978 Triple Crown races broke his right femur.

Two days earlier, Alydar fractured the cannon bone in his right hind leg when he kicked his stall door and went into shock. Drs. William Baker and Larry Bramlage operated Wednesday and placed the horse in a fiberglass cast. His condition at the time was pronounced guarded. However, after sustaining another injury to the same leg Thursday there was no hope.

"Everything went so well (Wednesday) that we were optimistic we could get him through," Bramlage said. "He began resenting the sling last night and was tranquilized.

"Today, it was either maintain him in a tranquilized state - and he was starting to show signs of colic - or wean him out of the sling. Fifteen minutes after (the sling) was off, he slipped and fell, breaking his right femur." A Calumet spokeswoman said Alydar was buried near two Triple Crown winners - Whirlaway and Citation.

The death marked yet another sorry chapter to horse racing in 1990, a year blackened by the death of Go For Wand and two other horses at the Breeders' Cup, the end of the Sunday Silence-Easy Goer rivalry, widespread injuries, and protracted debate over the drug Lasix.

Alydar, a son of Raise a Native-Sweet Tooth, was foaled on March 23, 1975. He was trained by John Veitch and ridden by Jorge Velasquez. He captured 11 stakes before retiring to stud at Calumet in 1979. Alydar won 14 of 26 starts, earned $957,195 in purses and was elected to racing's Hall of Fame in 1989. In all, he won 14 of 26 starts, finishing out of the money only twice.

While Affirmed got the better of him on the track - beating him seven of ten times - Alydar proved the superior horse in the breeding shed, siring such stakes winners as Alysheba, Easy Goer, Turkoman and Criminal Type.

Affirmed won the Triple Crown a year Seattle Slew and five years after Secretariat. His triumph was all the more momentous because of Alydar, who lost the Kentucky Derby, Preakness and Belmont Stakes by a total of less than two lengths.

"It was heartbreaking because the horse kept trying so hard and kept coming back and kept getting beat," Velasquez recalled recently. "But we always thought he was the best, and at least he proved it as a stud." Alydar was the only horse ever to finish second in all three Triple Crown races.

The Belmont was a classic, with Affirmed and Alydar dueling neck and neck down the stretch. At one point, Alydar inched past Affirmed for the first time in the Triple Crown, but Affirmed jockey Steve Cauthen went to his whip and regained the lead. They hit the wire with Affirmed winning by a head.

The ten races between Alydar and Affirmed covered a total of 10 5-16 miles. Affirmed finished ahead of Alydar by a total of 4 1/2 lengths. In 1986, Affirmed was moved from Spendthrift Farm to Calumet, where he was placed in the paddock adjoining that of his old rival.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 15) UPI - The National Safety Council Thursday said traffic accidents during the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday might claim 380 to 480 lives.

The holiday period begins at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 21, and ends at 11:59 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 25.

The NSC said an additional 17,000 to 22,000 people might suffer disabling injuries during the holiday period.

Last year, 406 people died and some 18,400 suffered disabling injuries during the Thanksgiving period.

The council advised motorists to have vehicles inspected before long trips; wear seat belts which they say could save 12,000 lives a year; designate a driver who will refrain from drinking alcohol, and allow extra travel time and slow the travel pace in poor weather.

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LONDON (NOV. 15) UPI - A ''golden curtain'' may divide the Warsaw Pact nations and Western Europe and become a source of instability unless the West provides money and expertise to bolster the economies of emerging democracies in the East, a research group said Thursday.

The Saferworld Foundation, an independent British-based thinktank, also accused Western European nations of failing to plan for new security threats, and called for East-West integration to be overseen by the Conference for Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE).

''The CSCE should provide the overall structure of pan-European decision-making on security issues,'' it said. ''It should be the structure which specifically addresses the risk of war, co-ordination of arms control regimes, mediation, peacekeeping, and collective security.''

The 139-page report, titled ''European Security: The New Agenda,'' recommended that the West increase its economic aid to the emerging democracies and write off some debts.

''Realistically, foreign debts at present levels can never be fully repaid,'' Saferworld Research director Paul Eavis concluded. ''The most rational solution for both debtor and creditors in extreme cases, therefore, would be some write-off of debt.''

The group warned of an emerging East-West poverty-wealth divide.

''A golden curtain could replace the Iron Curtain,'' said Saferworld, a group established in April 1989 to promote safer and cheaper defense policies and greater cooperation among governments over new threats to security.

It also identified pollution and environmental degredation as a source of political unrest in Eastern Europe.

''Protests against environmentally damaging projects and industries, combined with wider disatisfaction at the suffering caused by environmental degradation was and is a significant element in the political reform movements in Eastern Europe,'' the report said.

''Without active measures, environmental problems are likely to be a significant factor behind social unrest, and hence political instability,'' it explained.

The report called for developed countries to help clean up the East, where it said money spent would be up to 12 times more effective than in the cleaner West.

It recommended that European military forces should be focused towards

defensive fighting, with NATO confined to countering any residual threat from the Soviet Union, but harboring no intentions of bringing now-friendly nations of Eastern Europe into the alliance.

''NATO should not extend security guarantees to Eastern Europe as this would clearly threaten the Soviet Union and increase the possibility that any conflict in Eastern Europe could escalate to wider European war,'' the study said.

''Military forces in Europe should be restructured, providing for ground and air defence but minimizing the ability for offensive operations,'' it said, recommending a move away from mobile ground forces and strike aircraft.

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LONDON (NOV. 15) UPI - Archbishop of Canterbury Robert Runcie said Thursday the multinational force arrayed against Iraq should wait one year for economic sanctions to have an effect, but that armed force would be justified in the ''final resort'' if peaceful means failed to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis.

Elsewhere in Britain, a group of five Britons, a Belgian, an Indian and a Ghanaiain prepared to fly Friday to Jordan and then to the Kuwaiti desert to set up a peace camp between Iraqi troops and the U.S.-led multinational force massed in the Saudi Arabian desert.

Also, British and U.S. officials said an American chartered flight is scheduled to leave Kuwait Sunday with an unspecified number of Western women and children.

The Voice of America and the British Broadcasting Corporation's World Service broadcast messages advising nationals to contact the American and British embassies in Kuwait City.

''At the end of the day, its their decision,'' a Foreign Office spokesman said about the 600 Britons remaining in the occupied emirate. ''Our advice to them is to come out.''

Runcie, speaking at a General Synod as the outgoing leader of the Anglican Church, said the public must discard romantic ideas that the bloodshed would be confined to soldiers in ''surgical strikes'' and ''clean'' operations.

''Let us be in no doubt whatever, that if it comes to war ... non- combatants will most certainly be killed and maimed and bereaved,'' he said. ''We must face the bleak, horrible fact that a war could not be confined to the professional soldiers, airmen and sailors.

''A year of sanctions would be far cheaper in every way than even a very short

war,'' he said.

''Of one thing I am quite sure: whilst we must use every means short of war to enforce the U.N. (economic) policy, it would be foolish to rule out the use of force in the last resort,'' Runcie said.

An official for the Gulf Peace Camp said the group leaving Friday is an advance party and that about 100 other people had signed up to go when the camp is established.

He said the group was non-political and self-funded and that the venture had been cleared with Iraqi authorities and Kuwaiti officials of the government-in-exile. They were awaiting a response from Saudi King Fahd to a request that a second camp be created inside the adjacent kingdom, he said.

''The main aim is to remind the world leaders that there should be peace and no war,'' he said. ''It can help to stop the war, but of course it depends on the leaders.''

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ATLANTA (NOV. 15) UPI - The number of Americans with the most common form of diabetes rose 17 percent between 1980 and 1987, with blacks and white men showing the most dramatic increases, government researchers reported Thursday.

The number of Americans with Type 2 or non-insulin dependent diabetes climbed from an estimated 5.8 million people in 1980 to 6.8 million in 1987, the latest year for which figures were available, the federal Centers for Disease Control said.

Type 2 diabetes is caused by an inability of the body to properly control the amount of sugar in the blood. Although the condition often can be controlled by changing the diet, it can produce serious side effects such as blindness and organ damage.

Figures were not included in the study on the incidence of another form of the disease called Type 1 or insulin-dependent diabetes, which is caused by the inability of the pancrease to produce the sugar-controlling hormone insulin.

The nation's aging population is responsible for about eight percent of the increase in non-insulin dependent diabetes, the CDC said. The other nine percent is attributable to increasing obesity and lack of exercise - the two main causes of the non-insulin dependent diabetes, the CDC said.

Diabetes in men jumped 33 percent during the seven-year period - from 2.1 million to 2.8 million cases, the CDC said. The number of cases for women remained about the same at 2.7 million, the agency said. During the period,

the number of cases among black men rose 16 percent, according to the CDC. Cases among black women climbed 24 percent.

The best way to prevent the disease is avoiding a high-carbohydrate and fatty diet and maintaining a regular exercise regimen, said Dr. Jeff Newman, a CDC epidemiologist. People with a family history of diabetes are more susceptible to the disease, he said.

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WATKINS GLEN, NY (NOV. 15) UPI - The owner of the nation's largest farm-animal sanctuary is promoting an Adopt-a-Turkey program for people interested in saving critters who have little to be thankful for on Thanksgiving.

Laurie Boston of the Farm Sanctuary in Watkins Glen said Thursday her Adopt-A-Turkey program provides "food for thought." She said most people are unaware that turkeys and other birds are not covered under the Humane Slaughter Act and can suffer horribly in slaughter houses.

The Farm Sanctuary, located in the Finger Lakes region, was created by Boston as a home for abused and neglected farm animals. Boston said people who qualify can adopt turkeys and keep them in their homes.

She said candidates have to pass an adoption application; only vegetarians need apply. Persons who do not want to house a turkey, however, can still sponsor one. Sponsors get a picture of their gobbler and may come to the farm and visit. "We want people to stuff squash instead of turkeys this year," she said.

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DUESSELDORF, GERMANY (NOV. 15) UPI - A former West German diplomat who admitted that he was for almost 30 years one of the most important spies for communist East Germany was sentenced to 30 years in prison.

Hagen Blau, a career diplomat in West Germany's Foreign Ministry, pleaded guilty to one charge of high treason and a second count of accepting bribes.

Blau, codenamed ''Detlev,'' told the court earlier that he met with his East German controls on at least 77 occasions, providing them with photographs of thousands of pages of top secret documents.

From 1968 to 1971, Blau worked in the Foreign Ministry in Bonn and had access to secret documents concerning then Social Democratic Chancellor Willy Brandt's ''Ostpolitik'' of detente with the East. He also worked in German

embassies in London, Tokyo, Vienna and Colombo, Sri Lanka.

''Detlev'' kept a miniature camera in a wooden candlestick at home, transmitted messages in invisible ink and was so valued by his East German employers that he had been personally thanked by former East Germany's masterspy Markus Wol.

Blau was arrested April 17 after the fall of the communist leadership when many former agents surrendered to the Bonn government. Between 3,000 and 5,000 East German moles had reportedly worked their way into all branches of the West German government in the past.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - Consumer activists said Thursday if a proposal passes to streamline the nation's meat inspection system, they may urge Congress to move inspection duties from the Agriculture Department to another agency more committed to public health.

During a meeting called by the National Academy of Sciences, a coalition of consumer groups urged the Agriculture Department to drop the idea of proceeding with a streamlined inspection system for cattle. The system has been under consideration since 1984.

A panel of experts assembled by the academy gave a qualified endorsement to the new system in a report last Sept. 17. They suggested modifications to the system, including specific steps to control hazards, and said it should be used only in plants with a demonstrated record of quality control. In addition they urged fundamental changes in the meat inspection system so it would detect microbial or chemical contamination in meat.

The consumer advocates accused the Food Safety Inspection Service of being too willing to quickly implement the streamlined system, rather than doing the research to develop a trusthworthy system. They called for withdrawal of proposed rules to implement the streamlined system.

"Unless the department withdraws (the proposal) and demonstrates it has now begun a serious effort to meet the recommendations of (three Academy of Sciences reports), our Safe Food Coalition may feel compelled to call on Congress to remove meat and poultry inspection from the (department) and place it in an agency that has the commitment and the staff to run a public health-based program," said Carol Tucker Foreman.

Foreman, an assistant agriculture secretary during the Carter administration, spoke on behalf of a coalition of consumer groups, public interest groups and labor unions.

Tom Devine of the Government Accountability Project, another foe of streamlined inspection, also called for withdrawal of the regulations. Along with meat inspector Steven Cockerham, Devine said flaws in the system are going uncorrected.

Under streamlined inspection, which would be used only in large beef packing plants, the government would operate two inspection stations on slaughter lines, compared to the three now in place. Plant employees would have more responsibility for removing dressing defects. The inspection service says the changes would allow inspectors to devote more time to looking for "disease conditions with public health significance."

Lester Crawford, head of the inspection service, said at the meeting his agency intends "to take steps toward implementation" of streamlined inspection. "Frankly, we have not yet decided how big those steps should be," Crawford said.

In prepared comments, Crawford indicated the agency had focused too much on practical questions - how to implement its programs - and had slighted the necessity of documenting the worth of its programs.

"The best system in the world - in practice - isn't the best system if it can't be explained and supported in the premier public health journals in the nation and the world," Crawford said. "I think it can be and it will be." Congress created the federal meat inspection program in 1906 in response to public revulsion to revelations of unsanitary conditions in packing plants.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - A forensic anthropologist assisting the exhumation of a possible saint in a lower Manhattan graveyard said Thursday he was ''encouraged but cautious'' that the remains the former slave have been unearthed.

For two weeks, workers have been digging up the grave believed to be the burial site of Pierre Toussaint, a native of what is now Haiti who died in 1853 after a life dedicated to caring for the sick and poor, including his former owners.

The exhumation, which began Nov. 1, on All Saints Day, in the graveyard adjacent to Old St. Patrick's Church in Little Italy, was described by church officials as a step towards the possible canonization of Toussaint.

If canonized, Toussaint would be the first black American saint.

James Taylor, director of the Metropolitan Forensics Anthropology team at Lehman College in the Bronx, said the remains of an elderly black man were

discovered and removed Tuesday, and a day later, the skull believed to be that of an elderly black woman was found underneath the male's remains.

''We've found a black male who was tall for that period of time who appears to be elderly, so we're encouraged but cautious,'' Taylor said. ''We feel we might have found Pierre Toussaint but we'll continue to test to find out.''

The female skull found was believed to have been that of Toussaint's wife, who reportedly was buried with him and the couple's adopted daughter.

Joseph Zwilling, spokesman for the New York Archdiocese, which initiated the exhumation, said the fact that such a discovery was made where Toussaint was believed to have been buried was an ''encouraging sign.''

''They have no reason to believe it is not Pierre Toussaint,'' Zwilling said. ''The body was found in the proper place, in one of two grave sites that we believe might have contained his body.''

Taylor said he and several other forensic experts were asked by Westchester County Medical Examiner Millard Hyland to supervise testing of skeletal remains found during the exhumation process.

''We're mostly called in at the start of homicide investigations when there are skeletal remains of unknown persons,'' Taylor said, adding that his team tests for age, cause of death, race, sex, body height and weight, and other individual traits, such as a history of disease or injury.

''We're doing the same thing here,'' he said.

Taylor said he and a forensic dentist were set to examine this week's findings on Friday to determine the ages of the male and female when they died.

A complete report on the exhumation's findings was to be delivered to the Archdiocese, probably sometime next week, Taylor said, to assist church officials in deciding whether to recommend that Toussaint be canonized.

Archdiocese officials have stressed that the digging up of the remains does not guarantee that Toussaint will be become a saint.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange Thursday said a seat was sold on the exchange for $265,000, down $30,000 from the last sale Oct. 18.

The exchange said the current bid for an exchange seat is $240,000, while the offering price is $295,000.

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The senators have argued that their actions on behalf of Keating were merely service to a constituent. "Charles Keating was not the only constituent in this case," Bennett countered. "People who lost their life savings because of ... the looting of Lincoln were also constituents of at least some of these men. And the taxpayers who will have to pay for Lincoln's failure are also the senators' constitutents."

The hearings are being held to determine whether any of the senators should be formally accused of violating Senate rules governing conflict of interest and making contacts with regulators outside regular channels, which could lead to disciplinary action as severe as expulsion. None are accused of law-breaking.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 15) UPI - The head of the nation's Roman Catholic bishops wrote President Bush Thursday the United States could not morally go to war against Iraq now and expressed concern with the U.S. military buildup in the

Middle East.

Archbishop Daniel Pilarczyk of Cincinnati, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, said in a hand-delivered letter to the White House, that moving from a defensive to an offensive military posture "could well violate these criteria (for a moral war), especially the principles of proportionality and last resort."

Catholic and most Protestant teaching on war follows what is known as the "just war" tradition that allows war to be waged only under certain circumstances. For example, the use of force cannot be out of proportion to the harm caused, the war must discriminate between combatants and civilians and it must be waged as a last resort.

"The use of weapons of war cannot be a substitute for the difficult, often time-consuming and frustrating work of searching for political solutions to the deep-seated problems in the Middle East which have contributed to this current crisis," Pilarczyk wrote.

The letter to Bush was requested by the more than 300 Catholic bishops gathered in Washington for their annual four-day meeting. While the letter was a "president-to-president" letter, Pilarczyk said he was expressing the growing concern of his brother bishops, raised during a closed session of the prelates Wednesday afternoon.

The communication raises Catholic concern about the present U.S. military policy another notch from that expressed by Los Angeles Archbishop Roger Mahony just before the latest escalation began. But it does not put the bishops' conference into full-fledged opposition to the Bush gulf policy as a number of bishops had urged.

Mahony, who chairs the bishops' international policy committee, underscored Pilarczyk's concern, answering "no" to a question of whether the current U.S. build-up met the "just war" criteria and that he did not see any reason at this time to move toward an offensive policy.

The bishops' concern echoes that of a growing number of religious leaders. Most recently the Board for World Ministries of the United Church of Christ called on Bush to stop the escalation. "Cooling off the military presence will give diplomacy a chance to work," said the Rev. James Fletcher, of Portland, Maine, a trustee of the board.

Across the country, meanwhile, the Rev. Gabriel Habib, head of the Middle East Council of Churches, told the governing board of the U.S. National Council of Churches in Portland, Ore., that Bush should "talk to all the parties involved " including Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

"War can be avoided," he told the leaders of the council's 32 Protestant and

Orthodox church bodies. "Humanity is God's gift and should not be sacrificed by conflict between rulers."

Pilarczyk's letter strongly repeated earlier condemnations of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and for continued "worldwide peaceful pressure and action to deter Iraq's aggression and secure the peaceful liberation of Kuwait." But he noted that "clear moral criteria must be met" to justify the use of military force.

At the same time, Pilaraczyk also called for a national dialogue on the ethical dimensions of the Bush policy but, in answer to questions, said he did not have anything as specific as a special session of Congress in mind as a forum for that debate.

Mahony said the international policy committee will continue to monitor changes in the U.S. policy on a daily basis and continue to press its moral criteria on Bush and other policy makers.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 15) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	79.18	79.22	78.68	78.97	79.13
Feb	76.30	76.40	75.70	75.97	76.22
Apr	75.85	76.10	75.70	75.88	75.90
Jun	73.60	73.82	73.50	73.65	73.60
Aug	72.10	72.30	71.95	72.00	72.00
Oct	72.25	72.35	72.07	72.15	72.07

Est. sales 11,007 contracts; Wednesday 19,142; Open interest: 70,128 up 2,241

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Nov	88.70	88.75	88.65	88.68	88.55
Jan	87.55	87.65	87.35	87.57	87.47
Mar	85.15	85.15	84.80	....	84.95
Apr	83.90	84.00	83.70	....	83.85
May	83.10	83.25	83.00	83.18	83.15
Aug	82.10	82.30	82.10	82.15	82.20
Sep	81.47	81.55	81.45	....	81.50

Est. sales 990 contracts; Wednesday 2,590; Open interest: 9,545 up 84

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	54.00	54.70	53.15	53.35	53.90
Feb	52.00	53.00	51.30	51.63	51.75
Apr	48.90	49.45	48.33	48.47	48.75
Jun	52.50	53.00	52.00	52.72	52.50
Jul	52.55	53.00	52.45	52.78	52.70
Aug	50.67	51.00	50.50	50.72	50.85

Est. sales 10,945 contracts; Wednesday 9,045; Open interest: 27,179 off 50.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	72.30	73.30	70.05	70.12	72.05
Mar	71.65	72.60	69.38	69.45	71.38
May	71.30	72.00	69.05	69.12	71.05
Jul	70.75	71.35	68.80	68.80	70.80
Aug	68.25	68.90	66.10	66.05	67.97

Est. sales 216 contracts; Wednesday 5,410; Open interest: 12,359 up 333

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 127.94 down 4 cents, 700-850 lbs. 127.87 up 10 cents; select 1-3 550- 700 lbs. 119.32 down 1 cent, 700-850 lbs. 118.79 up 17 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow to moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins firm; Boston butts were not established; skinned and seedless bellies mostly steady; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 104.50-105.00; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 81.50; hams 17-20 lbs. 95.00- 98.00, 20-26 lbs. 80.00-86.00; bellies 12-14 lbs.62.50, 14-16 lbs. 62.50.

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#90319u1295 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV 15) - Millions of Americans tried to stay away from old devil nicotine for 24 hours Thursday in the Great American Smokeout.

They turned their smokes in for free food, talked to buddies on the phone, chewed carrots and celery, went walking, running or swimming and tried to think positive thoughts as the hours ticked away and their lungs wondered where all that fresh air was coming from.

Sponsored by the American Cancer Society, the 14th annual smokeout was aimed at those diehards who keep on puffing in an era of increasing hostility, medical evidence and legal barriers.

In Willmar, Minn., Becky Tompt was trying to get through the day.

''When I sat down yesterday, I could only come up with one reason to keep smoking. The rest were bad,'' she said. ''The one reason to keep smoking was I like to smoke and that was it.''

Tompt was also lucky that she works in a bank that was giving out free cold turkey sandwiches to anyone who turned in their cigarettes.

Cancer Society spokeswoman Joanne Schellenbach said a Gallup survey showed 17.9 million smokers participated in the Smokeout last year, and about 5.2 million stayed off the entire day.

''The smokers are the stars today,'' she said. ''We try to encourage them to test their smoking habit. To see how far they can go without lighting up.''

In New York City, cowboy Mark Allen showed smokers a novel way of giving up the weed by removing cigarettes from his mouth with a bullwhip.

In Woburn, Mass., officials at a Commings Properties, a real estate company, used the day to hand out $500 bonus checks to 80 employees who had successfully completed the company's Smoke Enders program.

Since the program began seven years ago, the company has handed out about $200,000 in bonuses.

Operations Manager Gerry McSweeney said he was smoking two packs of cigarettes a day until he enrolled in the program in 1983.

''Having a smoke-free work environment definitely made it easier for me to quit,'' McSweeney said. ''Knowing that everyone in the office is working towards the same goal really helps.''

In Philadelphia, the Pep Boys auto part chain featuring a picture logo of its famous founders Manny, Moe and Jack, painted out Manny's cigar Thursday - after 50 years.

The Los Angeles Unified School District used the occasion to inaugurate its ban on campus smoking, except in designated areas. A full ban in the nation's second-largest school district takes effect in July.

In Texas, officials said the Smokeout was being aided by the state's cigarette tax of 41 cents a pack - the highest in the nation. And that doesn't count the 16-cent federal tax.

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#90319u1309 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Gold futures closed Thursday 140 to 150 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	378.30	379.10	378.30	379.10	377.60
Dec	379.30	381.10	378.50	380.00	378.50
Feb	382.80	384.80	382.40	383.60	382.10
Apr	386.20	387.60	385.50	387.10	385.60
Jun	390.50	390.90	390.20	390.90	389.40
Aug	393.50	394.30	393.70	394.30	392.90
Oct	396.60	....	....	398.00	396.60
Dec	405.00	....	....	401.80	400.40
Feb	406.00	....	....	406.00	404.60
Apr	410.00	....	....	410.00	408.60
Jun	414.30	....	....	414.30	412.90
Aug	418.90	....	....	418.90	417.50

Open interest: 112,710 off 507.

Estimated sales: 35,000 contracts.

-30- 970

#90319u1319 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

STERLING, VA (NOV. 15) UPI - Iran-Contra figure Oliver North said Thursday he is sending 100,000 Christmas care packages to U.S. troops serving in Operation Desert Shield.

North, a retired Marine lieutenant colonel convicted of three criminal charges in the Iran-Contra scandal, is president of the Freedom Alliance, which initiated project "Operation Homefront" to show support for Americans serving in the Persian Gulf region. The group said it is paying for the gift packages through individual and corporate contributions.

"Over 250,000 Americans are now deployed in the Persian Gulf. It is very important for the American people to demonstrate their support and appreciation for these brave men and women," North said.

"They need to know that we care and appreciate their willingness to put their lives on the line for us. That is why we began contacting Americans throughout the country, asking them to show their support for these brave men and women," he said.

Each gift package contains items such as lip balm, tooth brushes, tooth paste, deodorant, shampoo, bootlaces, skin lotion, playing cards, disposable razors, sun screen, eye drops, letter writing materials, and magazines.

It also has a Christmas card that reads "Dear American Hero: America is thinking of each and every one of you who are sacrificing so much to guard our freedoms. I hope this gift package helps make a tough mission a little easier for you. You are in my thoughts and prayers for all that you mean to us back home in America. God bless you."

North, whose organization is based in Sterling, served as a Marine during the Vietnam War. A former National Security Council staff member, North was convicted May 4, 1989, of three criminal charges stemming from his involvement in the Iran-Contra scandal. He was acquitted on nine other counts. However, two of the convictions were suspended and one overturned July 20, 1990, by a 2-1 vote of the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Washington.

North was convicted of one count each of aiding and abetting the obstruction of Congress, destroying government documents and receiving an illegal gratuity in the form of a security system for his home.

But the appeals panel questioned whether North received a fair trial and suspended the convictions for obstructing Congress and accepting the gratuity pending a lower court decision on if North's televised testimony in 1987 before Congress hurt his chances for a fair trial. On Sept. 4, 1990, special Iran-Contra prosecutor Lawrence Walsh asked the appeals panel to reconsider its decision.

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#90319u1322 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	384.25	up 1.00
Morning fixing	378.50	off 5.75
Afternoon fixing	378.00	off 6.25
Close	379.25	off 5.00
Paris	380.62	off 4.57
Zurich	378.50	off 6.00
Hong Kong	378.95	off 4.60
New York		
Comex spot close	379.10	up 1.50
Republic cash	379.25	up 1.75
Handy and Harman	378.00	off 5.90

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 379.29 off 5.91 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 398.25 off 6.21 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.117	off 0.058
Republic cash	4.125	off 0.055

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.165 per fine ounce off 0.045

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.175 off 0.035 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.467 off 0.038

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 414.00 off 4.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 514.00 off 4.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 92.00 off 2.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 105.00 off 2.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90319u1327 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 15) UPI - Soybeans rallied on short-covering in the wake of sharp losses earlier this week but grain futures were mostly lower Thursday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

The soybean complex rebounded from Wednesday's contract lows. Most of the

buying was based on hope that President Bush will announce a food aid package to the Soviet Union when on his European trip next week.

Gains in soybeans were limited by commercial selling and the weakness in grain futures.

Soybean oil was moderately higher in fairly active trading, but soybean meal sold off late in the day and was mostly lower at the close.

Wheat futures made contract lows at the final bell, pressured by ample supplies around the world. News the European Commission had offered the Soviet Union 900,000 tons of subsidized wheat and 500,000 tons of barley also weighed on Chicago wheat prices.

Corn futures were at or near session lows on the lack of export business and forecasts for good harvest weather in the Midwest. The late collapse in the wheat market also pressured corn.

Country movement was light to moderate.

At the close, corn was down 3/4 to 2 3/4, soybeans up 1/2 to 4 1/4, wheat down 4 to 7 3/4 and oats up 1 3/4 to 2 3/4.

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#90319u1332 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 10 to 14 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	10.23	10.25	9.99	10.06	10.20
May	10.17	10.18	9.97	10.03	10.15
Jly	10.11	10.14	9.97	10.03	10.14
Oct	10.14	10.14	10.00	10.04	10.14
Mar	10.05	....	....	9.98	10.08

Estimated sales: 14,788 contracts

Open interest: 109,785 up 249

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.16

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday 2 points higher to 1 point lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.18	23.20	23.18	23.19	23.17
Mar	23.13	23.14	23.13	23.15	23.13
May	23.23	23.23	23.22	23.22	23.23

Jly	23.22	23.22	23.22	23.22	23.22
Sep	23.22	....	....	23.19	23.18
Nov	23.05	23.05	23.02	23.05	23.05
Jan	....	....	....	23.01	23.01

Estimated sales: 123 contracts
Open interest: 11,8805 up 132

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#90319u1334 11/15/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 15) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	375.22	227.56	141.53	22.53	320.40
Opening	373.32	225.16	140.74	22.22	318.54
11 a.m.	373.02	224.97	140.48	22.22	318.25
Noon	373.44	225.23	140.58	22.27	318.62
1 p.m.	373.37	225.53	140.74	22.30	318.66
2 p.m.	372.64	224.72	140.56	22.26	318.06
3 p.m.	373.58	225.74	141.04	22.41	319.00

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#90319u1338 11/15/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 15) UPI - Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip are celebrating the two-year anniversary of the declaration of an independent Palestinian state. NO serious disturbances were reported in the occupied territories or Jerusalem. Palestinians handed out balloons, set off fireworks and flew the outlawed Palestinian flag to mark the anniversary of the symbolic November 15th, 1988, declaration of independence. The Israeli army increased patrols and imposed curfews in towns and refugee camps.

Egypt and Syria say it is ''difficult if NOT impossible'' to hold an Arab summit on the Persian Gulf crisis because of Iraqi pre-conditions. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Syrian President Hafez Assad issued a joint statement after two days of talks in Damascus, Syria. They say they will continue their consultations with other Arab nations, even without a summit. Iraq says it will attend such a gathering only if previous anti-Iraq resolutions are declared null and void.

Solidarity founder Lech Walesa says that if he wins the Polish presidential election, he will fire some advisers to Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki. Walesa said in an exclusive interview with United Press International that some of the government's top aides are what he called ''inexperienced boy scouts.'' But Walesa also said he will continue the government's economic

austerity plan. He says that even if he wins, he does NOT expect to make everyone happy. He says there will be ''a lot of trouble'' because the Polish economy is in bad shape.

Five days of intense political campaigning has begun in Great Britain that could turn Margaret Thatcher out as leader of the nation's Conservative Party, and possibly as prime minister. Former Defense Secretary Michael Heseltine is running against his boss for the top party job. He is appealing to party members about chances for their winning elections that must be called by the middle of next year. Haseltine broke with Thatcher over her resistance to moves designed to unify the 11 other nations of the European Community.

Any so-called ''veil of secrecy'' about tonight's launch of the shuttle Atlantis is a fairly tattered piece of cloth by now. About the only thing NOT known is whether the 60 percent chance of high winds and rain will delay everything. Technicians are fueling the external tanks that will eventually put the spaceplane into orbit, carrying what is supposed to be a military satellite that analysts say will be positioned over the Persian Gulf. The one real secret is the exact moment of launch. It is now set for some time between 6:30 and 10:30 p-m, E-S-T, tonight.

The Senate Ethics Committee has opened trial-like hearings into activities of the so-called ''Keating Five.'' The five senators are NOT charged with breaking any laws but of bending Senate rules. Specifically, they are accused of improperly pressuring federal bank regulators looking into activities of financier Charles Keating and his failed Lincoln Savings and Loan. Its collapse produced a two-BILLION- dollar loss that taxpayers will eventually cover.

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#90319u1549 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 15) UPI - American Marines launched a practice beach invasion today, apparently near the Saudi Arabian border with Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. The Pentagon says the beach drill involves 16 ships, about one-thousand Marines and 11-hundred aircraft. The operation is dubbed ''Imminent Thunder'' and is to run through November 21st. The Pentagon also said U-S Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine troops will exercise with Saudi Arabian air, naval and marine units.

Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip handed out balloons, set off fireworks and flew the banned Palestinian flag today. But despite heavy security and widespread curfews, the celebration of the second anniversary of the symbolic Palestinian declaration of independence. NO serious violence was reported, though police fired tear gas and rubber bullets to disperse celebrating crowds in a major commercial area.

The top U-S negotiator at a Paris meeting on European security says Washington would like to add the three Baltic Republic areas of the Soviet Union as

members. But Ambassador John Maresca also says he doubts that the Kremlin will let the Republics of Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania join. The talks going on are to end with a joint declaration against use of force, one that is to be signed at the European summit in Paris next week.

A preliminary hearing is set for tomorrow in the case of the 28-year- old son of Interior Secretary Lujan. The younger Lujan is jailed in Alexandria, Virginia. A two-thousand-dollar bail for Robert Lujan was revoked after prosecutors said he was a danger to the community. The younger Lujan was arrested yesterday on charges stemming from an attack last Sunday on a woman who lives in the same building where Lujan's parents maintain a home.

British unemployment is at its highest in 13 months. The government figures showing unemployment of six percent are considered ''highly embarrassing'' for Prime Minister Thatcher. Their release comes as she campaigns against her former defense secretary, Michael Heseltine, for chairmanship of the Conservative Party. It also comes as British inflation reaches more than 10 percent to become one of the highest inflation rates in Europe.

Chemical giant Du Pont is taking over sponsorship and the name of the country's top cycling race from embattled New York developer Donald Trump. The world-class Tour de Trump will now be the Tour Du Pont with a 250-thousand-dollar cash purse. 50-thousand of that goes to the first- place winner.

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#90319u1739 11/15/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 15) UPI - American Marines stormed ashore in a practice amphibious landing in Saudi Arabia today. The Pentagon did NOT disclose where the exercise is taking place, but it is believed some where near the Saudi border with Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. The Pentagon says the exercises- some being held jointly with Saudi Arabian forces- will run through November 21st.

The president of the nation's Roman Catholic bishops told President Bush in a hand-delivered letter today that the United States canNOT morally go to war in the Persian Gulf at this time. Archbishop Daniel Pilarczyk of Cincinnati said there should be a national discussion of the ethical dimensions of what he termed ''this difficult situation.''

Cable News Network asked the U-S Supreme Court today to lift immediately a restraining order barring it from airing taped telephone conversations between General Manuel Noriega and his lawyers. An injunction against airing the tapes was upheld by the 11th U-S Circuit Court of Appeals last Saturday.

The leak-free shuttle Atlantis is being fueled on its launch pad at Cape Canaveral, ready for the seventh and final top-secret military mission of the shuttle program. Sources said the ship is to blast off shortly before 7 p-m,

E-S-T... but weather forecasts call for a 60 percent chance of high winds and rain that could force another delay in the flight.

The National Earthquake Information Center says a minor temblor measured at three-point-six on the Richter Scale rattled residents of an area about 30 miles south of Oklahoma City. There were NO reports of major damage or injuries in the tremor.

A suspect in the slayings of students at the University of Florida in Gainesville today was sentenced to 22 months in prison, with a recommendation that he serve his time at a state mental institution. 19- year-old Edward Humphrey was sentenced on his conviction of simple battery for hitting his 79-year-old grandmother.

Police in Johannesburg report another outburst of black-on-black violence in an eastern squatter camp. They say gunmen fired A-K-47 rifles on a sleeping family near the camp, killing four adults and wounded two others and two children. A spokesman says a police patrol arrested five men armed with two loaded A-K-47's and a pistol shortly before victims of the attack were found.

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#90319x0556 11/15/1990 ~Comtex

BEVERLY HILLS, CA (NOV. 15) UPI - About 300 employees, representing nearly a third of the work force, at newly formed MGM-Pathe Communications have been fired by the company's new ownership in the past week, a spokesman said Thursday.

''The layoffs are very unforturnate, but they were made in order to avoid duplication of administrative functions,'' said spokesman Craig Parsons.

Pink slips were issued two weeks after Italian financier Giancarlo Parretti completed his $1.36 billion buyout of the legendary MGM-UA studio. The deal was financed partly by selling off home video and TV rights to its film library.

Analysts have been concerned Parretti had taken on so much debt and sold off such significant parts of the rights to clinch the deal that he might not have enough money to operate the studio at a competitive level.

The first round of layoffs came late last week, when 110 employees in the home video unit were dismissed. Much of that unit's work has been taken on by Time Warner Inc., since the communications giant put up $125 million toward the buyout in exchange for home video rights to the library and MGM-Pathe films.

MGM-Pathe began a second round this week that resulted in nearly 190 staffersgetting dismissals in a number of areas, including production, domestic television, accounting and syndication.

Parsons said no more layoffs are planned. ''This should be all the reductions for now,'' he said.

Parsons pointed out that the company's employment rolls had swollen to about 1,000 when Pathe's 200 staffers came aboard earlier this month. He said that some of layoffs included former Pathe employees.

''Rocky V,'' the studio's major film this year, is going into wide release Friday, but movie production at the studio had dwindled while the company was on the block for the past two years.

However, TV programming has remained stable and was reportedly unharmed by the layoffs. The unit currently produces four network series _ ''In the Heat of the Night,'' ''thirtysomething,'' ''The Young Riders'' and ''Against the Law.''

Paul March, entertainment industry analyst for the Los Angeles brokerage Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards, said some layoffs were to be expected because of the merging of duplicative functions.

But he also said he could not comment on the outlook for MGM-Pathe because Securities and Exchange Commission filings detailing the financing for the buyout have not yet become public.

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#90320b0003 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire

DODGE CITY, KAN. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - W-W Capital Corp. is pleased to announce the acquisition of undeveloped real property in Johnson County, Texas from Apex Realty Investments Inc., in exchange for preferred stock.

W-W Capital is forming a division which will be a real estate development division, and the property in Johnson County is the second acquisition for this division.

The increase in revenues for year end June 30, 1990, of 40 percent to $4,595,465 and its first favorable net earnings, $265,980 since becoming a public corporation in August 1988, are record level achievements.

With the acquiring of the real property from Western Fire and Marine Insurance Co. on Oct. 11, 1990, and the undeveloped real property assets from Apex Realty Investments Inc., the stockholders' equity of $284,345 (as of June 30, 1990) increases to $1,484,345.

W-W Capital Corp. is publicly owned and traded in the over-the-counter market.

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#90320b0006 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire
EVERETT, WASH. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - At the regularly scheduled meeting Thursday, Nov. 15, 1990, the board of directors of John Fluke Mfg. Co. Inc. (ASE: FKM) has authorized the company to repurchase up to 750,000 shares of its common stock from time to time during the 1991 fiscal year which ends on Sept. 27, 1991, through privately negotiated or open market purchases.

The company has approximately 6.5 million shares of common stock outstanding. Kidder, Peabody & Co. Inc. would act as agent for the company on any such repurchases of stock.

''At current levels, the market is providing the company with excellent investment opportunities through stock repurchases,'' said Dr. David S. Potter chairman of the board of directors, ''and we wanted to position the company's management to be able to take advantage of those possibilities.''

In the same meeting, the board of directors declared the company's ninth consecutive quarterly cash dividend. The dividend has been increased 25 percent from 8 cents to 10 cents per share to stockholders of record as of Dec. 28, 1990, to be paid on or before Jan. 18, 1991.

John Fluke Mfg. Co. Inc. is a leading manufacturer of electronic instrumentation and services that improve the productivity of technical users engaged in research, service, design, manufacturing and calibration. Fluke serves customers who are manufacturers and users of electronic and electrical equipment in defense and aerospace, government agencies, computers and peripherals, electronic instrumentation, communications, utilities, automotive and consumer electronics.

Founded in 1948 and headquartered in Everett, Fluke employs over 2,100 people worldwide, producing sales of $233.8 million in its most recent fiscal year, ended Sept. 28, 1990.

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#90320b0013 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire
EVERETT, WASH. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - In a regularly scheduled meeting Thursday, Nov. 15, 1990, the board of directors of John Fluke Mfg. Co. Inc. (ASE:FKM) unanimously elected David Katri to the officer position of vice president.

Katri's new title is vice president, general manager, Manufacturing/R&D Group.

Katri's elevation closely follows the introduction of his group's Hydra Series of data acquisition instruments and the board's endorsement of the company's strategy to expand its offerings for manufacturing test applications. Part of this strategy includes the recent acquisition of key products and technologies from Computest Inc., a privately held maker of manufacturing test equipment based in Florida.

Katri joined Fluke in 1975 and held a number of fiscal management positions, including corporate budget director and accounting operations manager. In 1983, he became manager of the service products business unit and, in 1986, marketing director for the Service Equipment Group. In 1988, he was named group manager of the Manufacturing/R&D Group. He holds a BA from the University of California, Davis, and an MBA from UCLA. In addition, he is a CPA.

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#90320b0018 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire

LINCOLN, NEB. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Isco Inc. (NASDAQ:ISKO) has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per common share payable on Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

This amount is unchanged from the previous quarter.

Isco manufactures water pollution monitoring equipment, including flow measuring devices, and is the leading manufacturer of wastewater samplers. Isco also manufactures chemical separation instruments for use in biochemistry and biotechnology research.

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#90320b0033 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire
SUNNYVALE, CALIF (NPOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Lockheed Missiles & Space Co. Inc., (LMSC) announced Friday that it is consolidating the operations of its Astronautics Division with it Missile Systems and Space Systems Division.

''We want Lockheed in the best position possible to successfully address the dynamic challenges and opportunities our industry faces,'' LMSC president John McMahon said.

''Leaner defense and civilian space budgets and more intense competition for fewer programs are a fact of life in our business,'' McMahon said. ''While decisions such as this are difficult, we must take every possible measure now to ensure that our company is healthy and economically viable in the future.

''This realignment will strengthen our competitive posture, enhance service to our customers, and provide greater stability for our employees.''

The plan calls for Strategic Defense Initiative, NASA Space Flight and several other programs to join the Space Systems Division. Among the programs moving to the Missile Systems Division are Tactical Support Systems and Defensive Missile Systems.

While the realignment in reporting structure is slated to take place by year end, administrative changes and personnel relocations will be implemented after thorough analysis over the next several months.

''The Astronautics Division has contributed significantly to posturing our future in new business opportunities with its many government customers,'' McMahon said.

''The fact is, all of our divisions have been impacted by the constrained budget environment and program slowdowns. We studied a number of options and chose the one we believe to have the least short-term disruptions and the most long-term benefits for our customers and employees.''

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#90320b0043 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Imatron (NASDAQ:IMAT) announced that it has signed a five year extension to its distribution agreement with

Mitsui & Co. Ltd. and PASCO Corp. for the distribution of a minimum of 24 Ultrafast Scanners in Japan over the next five years.

The agreement provides for the immediate purchase of calendar year 1991 shipments with a total value of $7.2 million. According to the terms, Mitsui will place orders annually in advance for scanner units scheduled for delivery in the following year.

As a result of the Mitsui purchase, Imatron's firm backlog of scanner orders increased to 9 units vs. 5 units at June 30. Imatron has recently reported shipment of six scanner units during the first 9 months of 1990 with revenues of $7,840,000. Imatron also distributes its scanners through Picker International in North America, Polly Force in the Pacific Rim, and Vymac in Europe.

Imatron Inc. designs, manufactures and markets CT products for medical diagnostic imaging, industrial applications and baggage screening. Imatron products include the electron-beam Ultrafast CT scanner, which captures high speed images of the heart as well as radiological chest and body scans free of motion-induced artifacts.

The company also produces compact CT products that provide high throughput and continuous scanning capability in medical imaging and airport security explosives detection.

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#90320b0067 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - National Sanitary Supply Co. (NASDAQ:NSSX) Friday announced the promotion of Harvey S. Glanzrock to the position of president of Houston-based Century Papers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of National.

Glanzrock succeeds Herschel G. Maltz who will be leaving Century ater 40 years of service, including 22 years in the capacity of president. Maltz will also be resigning his positions as an officer and director of National.

Glanzrock, 45, has been with Century since 1985, most recently as executive vice president and chief operating officer. In addition he is a vice president and director of National.

National Sanitary Supply Co., headquartered in Cincinnati, is the largest distributor of sanitary maintenance supplies in the United States. Through nearly 650 sales representatives in 57 branch sales and distribution facilities located in 14 western, southwestern and midwestern states, National

distributes chemical cleaning compounds, paper and packaging products and other maintenance supplies and equipment to a wide variety of customers.

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JERSEY CITY, NJ (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Bel Fuse Inc. (NASDAQ:BELF) announced Friday that net earnings for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990, were $25,000, or 1 cent per share, compared with a net loss of $1,085,000, or 22 cents per share, for last year's third quarter as net sales rose to $9,731,000 from $7,179,000.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, net earnings amounted to $165,000, or 3 cents per share, on net sales of $28,274,000. This compares with a net loss of $1,209,000, or 25 cents per share, on net sales of $21,452,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

President Elliot Bernstein attributed the improvement in net sales for the third quarter and nine months primarily to strong demand for new magnetic products introduced during the past eighteen months. These products are used in television and computer networking applications.

Bernstein said that gross profit benefitted from higher production volumes and resulting efficiencies in the Company's Far East factories. He said that higher volumes also led to reduced losses at the gross profit level at Bel's domestic hybrid circuit operation. Pre-tax profits were negatively affected by these losses. Separation costs announced in May at the domestic hybrid facility and start-up expenses at the Company's new facilities in Ireland and France also reduced pre-tax margins.

Bernstein said that additional cost cutting steps are being taken at the domestic hybrid operation. ''We are committed to reducing losses at the domestic hybrid operation as soon as possible and continuing to improve the Company's overall financial performance,'' he said.

Company-wide backlog, which has fluctuated in the range of $10 to $12 million during the past year, currently stands at about $11 million, Bernstein said. As of the end of the third quarter, Bel Fuse reported working capital of $10.5 million, a current ratio of about 3-to-1, long-term debt under $300,000, and stockholders' equity of $27,975,000, or $5.78 per share. Bel Fuse and its subsidiaries are primarily engaged in the design, manufacture and sale of electronic components.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxwell Laboratories Inc. (OTC:MXWL) announced operating results for the first quarter ended Oct. 31.

Sales for the first quarter were $16,944,000, compared with $21,497,000 in last year's first quarter. Net income of $317,000, or 13 cents per share, compares with $927,000, or 38 cents per share, a year earlier.

As previously announced by the company, federal budget uncertainties during the quarter caused industrywide delays in defense funding that significantly impacted Maxwell's first-quarter sales and earnings. This resulted in a decrease in sales in the technology programs and services segment of the business.

The company does not expect these delays to have as great an impact on its earnings for the rest of the year. Sales and profits in the commercial, industrial and scientific products business segment increased slightly over the first quarter of last year.

The company's backlog at Oct. 31 remains strong at $111.2 million, of which $49 million is fully funded. This compares with backlog at Oct. 31, 1989, of $113.4 million, of which $54.2 million was fully funded.

Maxwell, located in San Diego, designs, develops and manufactures pulse power equipment and performs research and computer-based analysis for defense, energy, industrial and environmental markets.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Intek Diversified Corp. and subsidiaries reported the following financial results:

Intek Diversified Corp. and Subsidiaries
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income and Loss
(Unaudited)
For each of the three-month periods ended Sep 30,

	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,929,218	$2,636,486
Net (loss) income	$ (50,775)	$ 140,648
(Loss) earnings per share	(2 cents)	5 cents

Net sales decreased 26.8 percent, or $707,268, as a result of a sales decline

at IMCS Corp. and Olympic Plastics. Backlog at Sept. 30, 1990, decreased by 46 percent when compared with the backlog at Dec. 31, 1989.

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CALABASAS, CALIF. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - National Technical Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:NTSC) through a subsidiary, has acquired Wise & Associates Inc., San Antonio, Texas, and its operating subsidiary, S & W Technical Services Inc. (S & W) a growing provider of technical support services primarily for the nuclear power industry.

NTS acquired all of the outstanding capital stock of Wise & Associates Inc. for $1.75 million plus other consideration.

S & W with offices in Texas, Louisiana, South Carolina, Arizona and California provides staff augmentation and outage support technical personnel and performs special projects for nuclear utilities throughout the United States. The company also is involved in supporting technical requirements, including nuclear contamination cleanup, at government facilities.

For the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990, Wise & Associates Inc. had consolidated revenues of $12.1 million.

NTS provides nuclear services for clients in the areas of quality assurance, engineering and test support and also furnishes nuclear qualified replacement equipment for safety and operating systems. For the fiscal year ended Jan. 31 1990, NTS had consolidated revenues of $30 million.

Jack Lin, president of NTS, said, ''The acquisition of S & W, an industry leader, significantly broadens our capabilities in the nuclear area by enabling us to provide a wide range of other contract technical support services to our clients. We anticipate that the expansion and interrelationship of services brought about by this acquisition will enhance the abilities of both organizations and enable them to increase their respective business bases.''

National Technical Systems, with operations in California, Virginia, Massachusetts and Michigan, is one of the largest independent testing and technical support organizations in the United States. The company provides testing and technical services to a wide range of industries, principally defense aerospace, nuclear power generation and automotive.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Alaska Airlines announced Friday the election of Patrick L. Glenn as executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Seattle-based air carrier.

Formerly vice president/flight operations for the airline, he will be responsible for the overall management of the company's maintenance, customer service, planning, flight operations, marketing and sales functions.

Glenn, 52, succeeds Raymond J. Vecci, the carrier's former chief operating officer who became president and chief executive officer in September. Glenn, whose replacement was not named, will report to Vecci.

Twenty-four years ago Glenn began his career at Alaska as a flight navigator. Other key positions since have included assignments as aircraft scheduler, director of crew scheduling, director of flight control, director of flight operations training and staff vice president/flight operations. His most recent duty has been the management of 850 employees and the responsibility for all flight crews, pilot training, flight control, fuel administration and flight operations.

Upon the board's announcement, Vecci praised Glenn on his distinguished career with Alaska Airlines. ''In addition to his long experience and intimiate knowledge of airline operations, Pat Glenn is recognized throughout the company for his leadership skills and team approach,'' Vecci said.

Among a list of personal achievements, Glenn led the committee which designed the air operations for the trans-Alaska pipeline system; served as flight navigator on Alaska's first trip to the Soviet Union in 1970; helped organize Alaska Airlines' participation in the airlift to provide emergency relief supplies to Biafra; and helped spearhead the airline's effort to equip its Boeing 727-200s with the HGS-1000 ''fog busting'' technology.

He currently serves as chairman of the Air Transport Association's operations committee.

Glenn holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Washington and a master's in business from Seattle City University.

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PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Oregon Natural Gas Development Corp. has purchased 11 gas and oil properties in Alberta, Canada, Dwayne L. Foley, president of the subsidiary of Northwest Natural Gas Co., announced Friday.

Foley said the acquisition from Gulf Canada Resources Ltd. of the properties located throughout southern Alberta is the largest purchase of gas and oil producing properties ever completed by Oregon Natural Gas. It includes mineral rights on 127,800 developed acres and 72,440 undeveloped acres. Reserves estimated at more than 30 billion cubic feet of gas are involved in the purchase.

Most of the newly acquired gas will be sold under long-term purchase contracts.

These properties represent Oregon Natural Gas' entry into gas production operations in Canada. The company has established a Canadian subsidiary, Canor Energy Ltd., with an office in Calgary to manage the production as well as future exploration activity on the properties.

Canor's officers are, in addition to Foley as chief executive officer, Charles E. Stinson, president; C. J. Rue, secretary; J. Jay Park and Jerry Fish, assistant secretaries; Russell Zaharko, executive vice president, and Jeff Gudman, assistant treasurer. The vacant treasurer's position will be filled later.

Park is an attorney with MacLeod Dixon, a Canadian law firm with offices in Calgary and Moscow, the Soviet Union. Zaharko is a veteran of the Canadian oil and gas industry. Fish is an attorney with Stoel Rives Boley Jones and Grey in Portland. Stinson is vice president, operations, for Oregon Natural Gas, and Gudman is treasurer of Oregon Natural Gas.

The acquisition includes 10 producing natural gas properties and one oil property.

Oregon Natural Gas also owns oil and gas producing property in Columbia County Oregon; Sweetwater County, Wyoming; northwestern Colorado; and Los Angeles County and in the Sacramento Valley, California. The subsidiary, established in 1979 with headquarters at 221 N.W. 2nd Avenue, Portland, employs 21 persons.

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PALO ALTO, CALIF. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Varian Associates Inc., has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of six and

one-half cents (6-1/2 cents) per share, payable on Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record on Monday, Jan. 21, 1991. Varian Associates Inc., is a diversified international, high technology company with sales in excess of $1 billion annually. Headquartered in Palo Alto, Calif., it produces components for medical, communications, scientific, industrial and defense markets worldwide.

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PALO ALTO, CA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Varian Associates Inc., Friday announced that it has signed a letter of intent to sell several of its non-core operations to DKP Electronics Inc., a privately held concern.

Completion of the transaction is subject to a number of conditions and is contingent upon the execution of a definitive agreement.

The potential buyer's investors include Kaiser Aerospace and Electronics Corp.; the venture capital partnership of Dougery, Wilder & Howard; and Norman H. Pond, who served as Varian's president from 1987 until last January when he left the company to pursue other interests.

The operations involved in the proposed purchase are Varian's Electro Optical Sensors business unit in Palo Alto, which manufactures night vision equipment, and three product lines sited in Santa Clara, Calif.

The product lines are cryopumps, used to create a vacuum environment; molecular beam epitaxy systems, which grow ultra-thin layers of high-purity materials on semiconductor wafers; and a vacuum systems operation, which produces equipment to coat magnetic disks for the computer industry.

The activities involved in the DKP transaction have combined annual sales in excess of $80 million, and employ approximately 500 persons. All are included in a group of non-core businesses and product lines which Varian indicated it would divest under a restructuring program announced in May.

Separately, Varian said it is proceeding with the negotiation of a final contract for the sale of another of its non-core units, RF (Radio Frequency) Subsystems, to Signal Technology Corp. of Weymouth, Mass.

Price and terms were not disclosed; however, the company noted that it expects to reach a satisfactory agreement and close the sale in the near future.

RF Subsystems, located in Beverly, Mass., produces RF signal processing components for various defense applications. It employs approximately 100

workers and has some $8 million in annual sales.

Another substantially larger Varian business unit located in Beverly, Crossed Field & Receiver Protector Products, is not involved in the transaction and will not be affected by the anticipated sale.

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HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Touchstone Software Corp. (OTC) Friday reported revenues of $741,951 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 85 percent over the comparable prior period revenues of $400,494.

Net income increased to $56,652 for the quarter, or $.0145 per share compared, with net income of $3,335, or $.0009 per share, for the prior year's third quarter. Shares used to calculate net income per share were 3,783,000 in 1989 and 3,907,000 in 1990 reflecting a reverse split of the company's common stock effected in April 1990.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues accelerated 123 percent to $2,457,734 compared with revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, of $1,102,377. Net income increased to $121,214, or $.0316 per share, compared with net income of $42,986 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, or $.0113 per share.

Shannon Jenkins, president and chief executive officer noted that, ''Contributing to these quarterly results were the release and accelerated sales rate of version 3.0 of the company's best-selling CheckIt PC diagnosis software, and the international sales effort, which in the third quarter of this year began paying dividends.

''We are especially encouraged by these results in light of typically weak industry-wide summer sales.''

Touchstone Software designs, develops and markets a line of computer software programs used for trouble-shooting hardware and software problems on IBM-compatible PC's. The company also markets a series of programs which facilitate communication and compatibility between different types of computers.

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EUGENE, OR (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Bohemia Inc. (OTC:BOHM) Friday reported a net loss of $1,482,000, or 29 cents per share, for the second fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

In the same quarter of the corresponding prior year, the company had net income of $6,272,000, or $1.19 per share. Sales for the second quarter declined to $81,748,000 from $94,194,000 in the prior year period.

For the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, Bohemia reported a net loss of $1,958,000, or 38 cents per share. In the comparable period of the preceding year, Bohemia had net income of $13,770,000, or $2.63 per share. Sales for the six month period decreased to $159,862,000 from $187,462,000 in the prior year period. Per share data for prior year periods have been adjusted for a three percent stock dividend distributed on Jan. 3, 1990.

In announcing the results, Richard D. Tinney, president and chief executive officer, said, ''In this year's second quarter, we have been adversely affected by the deterioration of selling prices resulting from a continuing nationwide decline in housing starts. Industrial sales were also down due to increasing evidence of a significant general economic downturn.''

Tinney also noted that during the second quarter the company increased its holdings of fee timber and timber under contract by 76 million feet. These additions were made at prices lower than those paid during the last half of the prior fiscal year.

Bohemia, established in 1916, operates forest products manufacturing facilities in Oregon and California.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - International CMOS Technology Inc. (''ICT'')(Common stock and Warrants listed by the National Daily Quotation Service) announced Friday that the company achieved record shipments and

revenues for the fiscal year ended Sept. 28.

For the fourth quarter ended Sept. 28, the company's product revenues were $2,410,000 compared with $2,603,000 for the comparable quarter of the previous year. Product revenues for the year were $13,809,000 (excluding development and technology licensing revenues) compared to $8,153,000 for the previous year.

The company did not report development and technology licensing revenues for the year ended Sept. 28, but in the previous fiscal year reported $825,000 under terms of development and licensing agreements. Total revenues for the year ended Sept. 28, were $13,809,000 compared with $8,978,000 for the previous fiscal year.

Net losses for the fourth quarter and the year ended Sept. 28, were $1,842,000 and $4,280,000 respectively, versus $1,276,000 and $2,471,000 for the previous comparable periods. Loss per share for the fourth quarter and the year ended Sept. 28, were 33 cents and 79 cents respectively versus 24 cents and 59 cents for the previous comparable periods.

Drew Allen Osterman, chairman and chief executive officer stated, ''Fiscal 1990 continued to show a strong demand for the company's products as reflected by record shipments and revenues.

Osterman added, ''The company's product line currently includes more than 15 different devices which include variations in speeds, packages and temperature grades. Sixteen other equally diverse devices and variations are currently under development or in final pre-production stages. ''We are highly confident that the new products added during the fiscal year which include our 1-megabit EPROM (erasable programmable read-only memory), our 7024 and 7040 PEEL (programmable electrically-erasable logic) Array devices, and ICT's unique Advanced Development Software, will together provide strong inpetus to our sales and success in 1991 and beyond.''

International CMOS Technology Inc. designs, develops and markets user-programmable logic and memory devices. The company's CMOS process technology offers the advantages of high speed, low power consumption and re-programmability. These features allow the customer to reduce size, power supply and cooling requirements, and allow the producer to test each unit for defects before release.

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BROOKLYN, NY (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Brooklyn Union Gas Co. filed an

application with the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC) to increase rates effective Oct. 1991, for its fiscal year 1992.

As previously reported in October, the PSC granted Brooklyn Union its first increase in base rates since September 1985. From the period 1985 to 1990, the company decreased base rates by $7.5 billion, principally as a result of stringent cost-control measures, corporate tax-rate reductions and decreases in cost of capital.

The purchased cost of gas to customers was also substantially reduced over that period resulting in significant reductions in total costs to its customers. The amount of the October rate increase was approximately $32 million.

Base rates were increased approximately 2 percent, and $12 million of credits, largely related to tax reductions, will be included in 1991 revenues. The allowed rate of return on utility common equity was set at 11.9 percent.

The November filing is for $102.5 million, or a 9.9 percent increase in revenues, and reflects a 13.4 percent return on utility common equity. However, the company proposes to offset this amount, in part, by utilizing $24 million in deferred credits resulting primarily from the company's efforts to reduce property and federal income taxes.

Brooklyn Union's rate application was required to recover higher labor and medical insurance costs, higher taxes, depreciation expenses, and costs associated with relocating the corporate offices.

Also, inflationary cost increases affecting other operating and maintenance expenses, and capital costs associated with expenditures necessary to upgrade the company's distribution system are included in the company's request.

The proposed increase will be subject to extensive study and public hearings by the PSC. Also, the company remains open to negotiations with the staff of the PSC to reach a rate-settlement agreement.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Worldwide agricultural research goes high tech as SAZTEC International Inc. announces the signing of an agreement with Knowledge Access International for the conversion of one of the world's largest agricultural research document collections.

The document collection of the Consultative Group for International

Agricultural Research (CGIAR), whose Secretariat is located at the World Bank, will be converted to electronic format by SAZTEC and published on compact disc read only memory (CD-ROM) by Knowledge Access International utilizing the KAware Disk Publisher(TM) and KAware(TM) Retrieval Software System.

The resulting library will be one of the world's largest agricultural document collections available on CD-ROM.

According to Gary N. Abernathy, vice chairman for SAZTEC, this project exemplifies the company's information management and conversion capabilities. ''This contract is another example of SAZTEC's ability to integrate both graphics and text into a data base for use on CD-ROM.

The results of this landmark conversion will be the largest CD-ROM library in the world dedicated to agricultural research,'' Abernathy said.

The research library will consist of approximately 25 CD-ROM discs containing the text and images from more than 5,000 documents representing close to a half million pages of information. The CD-ROM discs will be accessed in three different languages -- English, French and Spanish -- to help support its distribution to agricultural researchers worldwide.

The conversion process, according to Abernathy, will be completed in two phases, with the first phase completed by June 1991.

CGIAR is an informal association of 40 donor agencies established in 1971 to support agricultural research around the world.

Knowledge Access International is a leading producer of indexing and retrieval software for business, education and professional use. SAZTEC International, a world leader in information management, provides services for data base construction and information conversion utilizing computer processing, electronic imaging, optical character recognition, data entry and other technologies.

SAZTEC International Inc. is traded in the over-the-counter market and is quoted on the NASDAQ under the symbol SAZZ.

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HAYDEN LAKE, ID (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Transtector Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:TTOR) Friday reported net income of $19,840, or less than 1 cent per share, on net sales of $2,332,210 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares to net income of $5,261, or less than 1 cent per share, on net sales of $2,266,035 posted for the same period last year.

For the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, Transtector Systems posted net income of $143,904, or 4 cents per share, on net sales of $7,030,930, compared to net income of $80,433, or 2 cents per share, on net sales of $6,700,013 for the same period in 1989.

''Bottom line results reflect costs incurred in the expansion and development of marketing programs to replace the volume associated with one former major customer,'' according to Bruce Braskich, president and chief operating officer. ''Our overall results continue to be positive as these programs mature.''

Transtector Systems Inc., since 1967 a leading authority in power disturbance protection, has completed over 400,000 product applications worldwide. The company's products and services include transient suppression systems for individual units to entire facilities, a line of uninterruptible power supply (UPS) systems, and college accredited continuing education programs.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - A fourth quarter, 1990 dividend of $.505 was voted Friday by the Pacific Telesis Group Board of Directors.

The dividend is payable Feb. 1, 1991 to shareowners of record as of Dec. 31, 1990.

Pacific Telesis Group is a diversified telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco. The corporation is listed on the New York, Pacific and Midwest stock exchanges as PAC and on the London and Swiss exchanges as Pacific Telesis.

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#90320b0185 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire

PALO ALTO, CA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Co.'s board of directors Friday elected two officers within its computer organizations and declared a regular quarterly dividend of 10-1/2 cents per share on the company's common stock.

Richard A. Hackborn, head of the newly formed Computer Products Organization, was promoted to an executive vice president. Robert J. Frankenberg, general manager of the Information Networks Group, was elected a vice president.

The dividend, the first of the company's 1991 fiscal year, is payable Jan. 16 to shareholders of record Dec. 26. As of Oct. 31, the end of HP's 1990 fiscal year, HP had approximately 244 million shares of common stock outstanding.

Hackborn, 53, has been a vice president of the company since 1983. For the past decade he has been responsible for HP's peripherals business, which includes printers, plotters, scanners and disk drives. Since October 1990, he also has had responsibility for personal computers. He is located in Boise, Idaho.

He joined HP in 1960 as a member of the technical staff in the central research laboratories in Palo Alto and then held management positions in marketing and engineering. In 1976, he was named general manager of the former Disk Memory Division in Boise and became group general manager for peripherals in 1979.

Hackborn holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Minnesota and a master's degree in business administration from Santa Clara University.

Frankenberg, 43, is responsible for the overall direction and market acceptance of networking and office-systems product lines within the Computer Systems Organization. He joined HP in 1969 as a manufacturing technician in Cupertino, where he held a series of management positions in research and development.

In 1983, he transferred to Roseville to develop an operation for office systems. In 1987, when the expansion of that activity resulted in the creation of the former Information Systems Group, Frankenberg was named its general manager. He assumed additional responsibility for information networks in 1989.

Frankenberg holds a bachelor's degree in computer engineering from San Jose State University.

The elections bring the total number of HP executive vice presidents to six and vice presidents to 16. The company also has three senior vice presidents.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support.

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SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - McFarland Energy Inc. (NASDAQ:MCFE) announced unaudited financial results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, and the nine-month period ended the same date.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $4,990,000, compared with $3,752,000 in the same period in 1989. Revenues for the nine-month period in 1990 were $13,901,000 vs. $11,551,000 for the nine-month period in 1989. Net income for the third quarter in 1990 was $599,000, equal to 11 cents per share, vs. $377,000, equal to 7 cents per share, in 1989.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $1,375,000, equal to 26 cents per share, compared with $1,227,000, equal to 24 cents per share, in 1989.

Cash flow from operations for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $6,123,000, compared with $4,884,000 in the same period in 1989. The increase in cash flow in 1990 was largely attributable to higher oil prices in the third quarter of 1990 as well as additional cash flow generated by the acquisition of Louisiana oil and gas properties in the first quarter of 1990.

McFarland Energy is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with headquarters in Santa Fe Springs.

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DALLAS (NOV 16) BUSINESS WIRE - ZFAX Image Corp. (NASDAQ: ZFAXF) Friday announced financial results for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

	For the Three Months Ended		For the Six Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989	Sept. 30, 1989	Sept. 30, 1989
Revenues	$ 61,168	$ 14,964	$ 128,021	$ 65,365
Net (Loss)	(285,093)	(97,795)	(496,926)	(210,777)
Net (Loss) Per Share	(.10)	(.05)	(.17)	(.12)
Average Number of Shares Outstanding			2,887,250	1,787,523

The increase in the average number of shares outstanding in the quarter ended

Sept. 30, 1990, was the result of the company's initial public offering of 1,150,000 shares of common stock in September 1989.

Higher sales in the company's facsimile equipment and supply operations resulted in increased revenues in the current quarter. The net loss in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased due to higher selling, general, and administrative expenses incurred in expanding the retail operation and continued research and development costs associated with the company's portable facsimile machine, PF4003.

ZFAX Image Corp. has developed a lightweight, portable facsimile machine, the PF4003. The company also operates retail stores in Dallas; Seattle, and shortly, in Everett, Wash., for the sales of facsimiles and complementary products.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Teradata Corp. (NASDAQ:TDAT) Friday reported that following the announcement of its first-quarter results on Oct. 31, a further technical review of the reporting of the extraordinary item, which relates to tax loss carryforwards and general business credits, was performed.

As a result of that review, it has been determined that the effect of these items should not be included as part of the financial results in a loss period. The net loss before extraordinary item and loss per share before extraordinary item are not affected by this treatment; however, the reported net loss is $7,611,000, and the net loss per share is 50 cents, not the $8,891,000 and 59 cents, respectively, which were previously reported. Revised tables follow.

TERADATA CORP.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except per-share data)
-- Unaudited --

	Three Months Ended Sep 30,	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 47,433	$ 42,979
Cost of revenues	19,879	16,385
Gross profit	27,554	26,594
Operating expenses:		
Research and development	11,594	6,755
Sales and marketing	17,774	11,830
General and administrative	4,898	3,616
Restructuring costs	2,115	--

Total operating expenses	36,381	22,201
Operating income (loss)	(8,827)	4,393
Interest and other expense	2,088	1,243
Income (loss) before taxes and extraordinary items	(10,915)	3,150
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(3,304)	1,197
Income (loss) before extraordinary items	(7,611)	1,953
Extraordinary items	--	466
Net income (loss)	$ (7,611)	$ 2,419
Earnings per share: Income (loss) before extraordinary items	(50 cents)	14 cents
Extraordinary items	--	3 cents
Net income (loss)	(50 cents)	17 cents
Shares used in computing per-share results	15,193	14,226

TERADATA CORP.

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(In thousands)

	Sep 30, 1990	Jun 30, 1990
(unaudited) ASSETS	Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 18,939	$ 23,618
Accounts receivable, net	73,168	88,078
Current portion of notes receivable	3,056	2,861
Inventory	30,001	22,147
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	8,350	9,748
Total current assets	133,514	146,452
Property, plant and equipment, net	55,066	52,382
Notes receivable	10,051	9,669
Capitalized software costs, net	36,211	33,024
Other intangible assets	6,172	6,733
Other non-current assets	2,965	2,997
Total assets	$243,979	$251,257
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	$ 36,754	$ 38,221
Current portion of notes payable and capital lease obligations	5,019	4,241
Deferred income	7,363	7,958
Income taxes payable	2,284	3,742
Total current liabilities	51,420	54,162
Notes payable and capital lease obligations, net of current portion	26,424	20,124

Deferred income taxes	--	2,858
Other long-term liabilities	12,373	12,262
Total liabilities	90,217	89,406
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock	152	152
Paid-in capital	146,704	146,355
Retained earnings	8,716	16,327
Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments	(1,088)	(643)
Notes receivable related to stock sales	(722)	(340)
Total stockholders' equity	153,762	161,851
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$243,979	$251,257
Shares outstanding at end of period	15,215	15,166

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Cipher Data Products Inc., a subsidiary of Archive Corp., Friday announced details of a new product distribution program targeted at large value-added resellers.

Termed ''Master VARs'' within the industry, this fast-growing distribution channel resells medium- and large-scale systems into specific vertical markets. Master VARs also serve these markets by reselling through smaller value-added resellers.

In announcing the details of the new program, Cipher President Craig V. Turner explained: ''We will be dealing with Master VARs who specialize in the IBM AS/400 and RS/6000 platforms, which are ideally suited for Cipher's full line of half-inch open reel and 3480-compatible cartridge tape drives.''

Turner pointed out that three products provided through the Master VARs channel will feature the latest technological advances. Cipher's F880ES drive is a refinement of the industry's best-selling Phase-Encoded tape drive, the Microstreamer. It offers storage capacity up to 92 megabytes.

Ideal for most interdepartmental or corporate data interchange requirements, it is powerful enough to burst data as fast as 4 megabytes per second, depending on the operating system or file server.

The M995 Group Coded Recording (GCR) drive has a storage capacity of up to 270 megabytes and offers a choice of ANSI/IBM 1600/6250 recording densities in a compact 8-3/4-inch-high size. With an embedded SCSI interface and a 270-MB capacity, the drive achieves fast backup with a minimum of reel changes.

Both the F880ES and M995 drives were designed for VARs, who will add further integration for the IBM AS/400 and RS/6000 computer aftermarkets. The Cipher drives offer full IBM 9347 and 9348 compatibility.

Cipher's newest product, the revolutionary TapeXpress drive, will also be available through the Master VAR program. The TapeXpress drive is the lowest-cost IBM 3480-compatible cartridge tape drive available. It offers 18 tracks of read/write electronics as well as a fully integrated SCSI interface.

It is the first desktop 3480 tape drive and the fastest drive ever developed for a broad range of computer systems from microcomputers to mainframes. Using the standard 200- and 220-megabyte 3480-type cartridges, capacity can be increased up to 2.2 gigabytes without any operator intervention through the use of Cipher's Automatic Cartridge Loader.

The TapeXpress' performance is almost twice the speed of current reel-to-reel drives and six times faster than the 8mm helical scan devices on the market today. Pricing of the TapeXpress drive makes it particularly suitable for the value-added reseller market.

According to Ken Cruden, Cipher's vice president of marketing, seven Master VARs, strategically located throughout the United States, will be included in the program. Through this distribution channel, Cipher tape drives will be available to an additional 2,000 vertically oriented value-added resellers.

''While we are still engaged in discussions with several Master VARs,'' Cruden said, ''we have already signed agreements with such industry leaders as Dickens Data Systems, Datalink and General Business Technology (GBT).''

Dickens Data Systems, located in Norcross, Ga., is a leading reseller of the RISC System/6000 machine. Dickens' software developers have written UNIX drivers for use with Cipher tape drives to enhance data interchange and backup on RISC System/6000.

Datalink, with headquarters in Minneapolis, is the most successful regional high-technology distributor of computer peripherals in the Upper Midwest. Concentrating on OEMs and VARs serving the IBM RS/6000, Sun SPARC and DEC workstation markets, Datalink offers a full line of products and services to enhance the performance of these workstations.

GBT, based in Irvine, is a major supplier of state-of-the-art peripherals for the IBM AS/400 and System 3/X computers. For over a decade, GBT has provided IBM industry remarketers with innovative technology, permitting them to improve competitive positioning in their respective markets.

Cipher Data Products Inc. is a leading innovator and supplier of removable information storage solutions. Founded in 1968, the company designs,

manufactures and markets a broad range of half-inch magnetic tape open reel and cartridge drive systems providing interchange, data backup and storage for a wide variety of computers.

Cipher is the choice of the world's leading computer companies and the largest supplier of phase-encoded tape drives to major computer systems companies. The company has headquarters in San Diego and is a subsidiary of Archive Corp. based in Costa Mesa.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Falling mortgage interest rates on fixed-rate home loans may help convince hesitant buyers to finally jump into the Southern California housing market, a leading mortgage broker said Friday.

Gloria Shulman, president and founder of Crestview Financial in Beverly Hills, added that interest rates on fixed-rate loans have dropped to 10.25 percent, lowest rate in two years.

''For all those homebuyers who thought they were priced out of the market, this may signal their chance to grab a piece of Southern California real estate,'' said Shulman. ''With the combination of falling prices and lower fixed-rate interest, many buyers will find qualifying easier.''

She added that lending institutions, which have been hurt by the slump in residential home sales, are eager to lend money. In addition, noted Shulman, variable rate mortgages also have dropped to the 7 percent range on many introductory packages.

''Although many prospective homebuyers have been waiting in the wings to see how far the market will drop, this low interest rate may be a sign that we are at or near the bottom,'' said Shulman. ''Locking in a loan at this rate can reap big dividends for home purchasers.''

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BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Hilton Hotels Corp.'s board of directors has elected Eva Walley vice president of marketing systems for the company, according to Carl T. Mottek, president of Hilton Hotels Division.

Walley was previously vice president of front office operations and systems.

Walley reports directly to Michael A. Ribero, senior vice president - marketing. In her new capacity, Walley is responsible for CONFIRM, a centralized reservation system being jointly developed by Hilton, Marriott, AMR Corp. and Budget Rent a Car; Hilton property management and the existing reservations system; and the yield management systems and future development of marketing information systems.

''With technology changing so rapidly and our critical need for information, we created a position that will ensure Hilton remains in the forefront of development,'' said Mottek. ''Walley's background and experience will be a valuable asset in this endeavor.''

An 18-year veteran at Hilton, Walley has assumed increasing levels of responsibility, holding positions that include supervisor, director, assistant vice president and vice president of front office systems for Hilton Inns Inc. the company's franchise division, as well as director of marketing systems for the corporation.

Walley attended the University of Utah and resides in Los Angeles.

Hilton Hotels, a publicly owned international lodging company, owns, manages and franchises more than 260 hotels and resorts in major cities, suburban areas, airports and resort and gaming destinations worldwide. Current developments include the newly opened 2,000-room Flamingo Hilton Laughlin in Nevada and Hilton Suites - Phoenix Plaza, which opened on Sept. 6.

The company has also broken ground on the $80 million World Trade Center Hilton in Long Beach, scheduled to open in late 1992. Other cities slated for development include Minneapolis; Brooklyn, N.Y.; Detroit; Harrisburg, Pa.; and Valencia, Calif.

The company's growing overseas subsidiary, Conrad Hotels, currently operates six properties, including the recently opened 513-room Hotel Conrad Hong Kong. Additional properties in Cancun, Brussels and Istanbul will open by 1992.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America NT&SA announced Friday that it has agreed to acquire the deposits and certain assets of Southwest Federal Savings Association from the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC).

Headquartered in Los Angeles, Southwest Federal Savings Association has a

total of 25 branches in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties.

Services to Southwest Federal's customers will continue without interruption when its branches open as part of Bank of America on Monday, Nov. 19.

''This acquisition allows us to further expand our customer base in the all-important Southern California market,'' said Thomas E. Peterson, vice chairman and head of Bank of America's Consumer Banking Group. ''We welcome Southwest Federal's customers to Bank of America and look forward to introducing them to our broad array of products and services.''

Under the terms of the transaction, Bank of America will acquire approximately $616 million in deposits and about $350 million in residential mortgage and consumer loans. It has the option to return a substantial portion of the loans to the RTC within a certain timeframe.

The Resolution Trust Corp. accepted a bid from Bank of America of a $7.3 million premium.

Bank of America NT&SA is California's largest bank and is the principal subsidiary of BankAmerica Corporation, the nation's second largest bank holding company. BankAmerica's subsidiary banks operate more than 1,250 branches and more than 2,100 ATMs in seven western states.

As of the end of the third quarter of 1990, BankAmerica had the highest common equity capital ratio of the 10 largest U.S. banking companies and had assets of $109.8 billion, deposits of $88 billion, and loans of $82.4 billion.

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COACH SIGNS INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT WITH JAPAN'S MITSUKOSHI

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Coach Leatherware, one of the few American manufacturers to succeed in the Japanese market, is embarking upon an expanded business venture with the Mitsukoshi Group, which is one of the oldest amd most renowned department stores in Japan.

The new agreement will recognize Mitsukoshi as the exclusive distributor of Coach in Japan effective Jan. 1, according to Coach President, Lew Frankfort. This strengthened alliance will enable Coach, a division of Sara Lee Corp., to accelerate its growth in the Japanese market, and will give Mitsukoshi the

sole right to distribute the Coach collection to other department stores in Japan.

''We have developed a strong bond with Mitsukoshi. Our mutual dedication to the finest quality products and honest communication with our consumers makes Mitsukoshi our perfect partner for further expansion within the Japanese market.

''We have found the Japanese share a desire with discerning consumers worldwide for the best products. Our handcrafted attention to detail, quality materials and contemporary classic styles apppeal to both the men and women of Japan. The agreement we are signing today should establish Coach as the leading marketer of leathergoods in Japan,'' explained Frankfort.

At present there are 19 Coach shops in Mitsukoshi stores worldwide. Two additional locations are scheduled to open within the next six months.

International sales represent 10 percent of total volume at Coach today. Sara Lee Chairman and Chief Executive Officer John Bryan commented, ''The new agreement between Coach and Mitsukoshi is well founded on steady growth and strategic brand positioning. We foresee the Pacific Basin as a key market for global expansion.''

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MONROVIA, CALIF. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Vision Sciences Inc. (NASDAQ:LENCZ) announced Friday that it will commence its rights offering to common stockholders and Class A and Class B warrantholders (''warrantholders'') and the temporary reduction in the excercise price of its Class A and Class B warrants (''warrants'') as described below.

The company's common stockholders and warrantholders of record as of Oct. 29, 1990, will be eligible to purchase through the exercise of rights, an aggregate of 30,194,222 shares of common stock, on a pro rata basis of 3.6 shares for each share beneficially owned (the ''rights offering'').

The rights will be exercisable at 10 cents per share for a 31-day period beginning on Nov. 16, 1990, and ending at 5 p.m. (EST) on Dec. 17, 1990 (the ''initial subscription period'').

Common stockholders and warrantholders may over-subscribe for additional shares of common stock not otherwise subscribed for during the initial subscription period. Unsubscribed shares will then be offered to preferred stockholders and other qualified investors, at 10 cents per share, for an

additional 15-day period commencing on Dec. 24, 1990 and ending on Jan. 8, 1991.

Rights are non-transferrable and may not be sold or assigned.

Following the record holder's receipt of rights certificates and subscription documents, execute documents and fees should be sent directly to the company's transfer agent, American Stock Transfer & Trust Co., 40 Wall St., 46th Floor, New York, N.Y., 10005; Attn: Shareholder Relations Department.

The company will also temporarily reduce the exercise prices of its outstanding warrants to 10 cents per share (the ''warrant reduction offer''), commencing on Nov. 16, 1990, and ending on Dec. 17, 1990 (the ''special exercise period'').

At the conclusion of the special exercise period and if the proposed debenture financing is completed, through Dec. 23, 1991: (a) each Class A warrant will be exercisable at $3.25 for approximately 7.6 shares of common stock and a Class B warrant, or approximately 43 cents per share if no rights are exercised, and 4.6 shares, or approximately 70 cents per share, if all rights are exercised, and (b) each Class B warrant will be exercisable at $5 for approximately 9.1 shares of common stock, or approximately 55 cents per share, if no rights are exercised, and 5.5 shares, or approximately 91 cents per share, if all rights are exercised.

The Class A warrants are presently exercisable at $3.25 for 2.4 shares and a Class B warrant, or approximately $1.35 per share and the Class B warants are presently exercisable at $5 for 2.7 shares or approximately $1.87 per share.

Payment of the warrant exercise price may be made, at the holder's option, in the form of cash or certified check or official bank check made payable to Vision Sciences.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Chalone Inc. (NASDAQ:CHLN) Friday reported the highest revenues in the company's history of $9.9 million for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, up from $8.8 million for the like period in 1989.

This 13 percent gain resulted from an increase in sales from two of the wineries, Chalone Vineyard and Carmenet, and sales of wines imported from Domaines Barons de Rothschild (Lafite) and the wines of Los Vascos from Chile. Revenues for the third quarter in 1990 were $3.6 million compared with $3.3

million for the like period in 1989.

Net earnings sharply rose by 200 percent in the first nine months of 1990 to $219,000 from $73,000 in the previous year. For the quarter just ended, net earnings climbed 12 percent to $136,000 from $121,000 in the third quarter last year. This increase in profits can be attributed to higher sales at the four wineries and lower interest rates.

''Despite adverse weather conditions, we believe 1990 to be one of our best vintages,'' commented William Hamilton, executive vice president and chief financial officer. ''We expect a particularly strong fourth quarter because of wines released in September and October and heavy holiday sales.

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Chalone Inc.
Financial Results
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Wine sales	$ 3,561	$ 3,290	$ 9,931	$ 8,796
Operating income	761	757	2,033	1,819
Net earnings	136	121	218	73
Net earnings per common share	4 cents	4 cents	6 cents	2 cents
Total assets	$ n/a	n/a	$46,940	$37,644

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Chalone Inc. is a San Francisco-based company that produces and markets premium white and red varietal table wines. The company owns and operates Chalone Vineyard in Monterey County, Acacia Winery in the Carneros District of Napa County, Carmenet Vineyard in Sonoma County, and in conjunction with its joint-venture partner, Paragon Vineyard Co., Edna Valley Vineyard in San Luis Obispo County.

Announced in May 1990 was a 50 percent interest in Canoe Ridge Vineyard in Washington state. Concluded in April 1989 was a cross-investment with Domaines Barons de Rothschild, owners of the Bordeaux estates of Chateau Duhard-Milon, Chateau Rieussec, Chateau L'Evangile and general manager of Chateau Lafite-Rothschild.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Cellular Information Systems Inc. Friday announced its financial results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

The losses reported for the quarter are in line with normal start-up costs for cellular companies.

Revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, increased to $3,938,706 from $2,053,261 in the same quarter of 1989. The net loss for the third quarter of 1990 was $7,076,890, or 57 cents per share, as compared to a loss of $3,952,042, or 40 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, revenues increased to $10,974,964 from $4,881,527 in the prior year. The net loss for the nine months was $20,907,274, or $1.69 per share, compared to a loss of $11,097,126, or $1.09 per share in 1989. Weighted average shares outstanding were 12,339,589 and 10,140,706 for the corresponding periods.

Cellular Information Systems is a cellular telecommunications company that owns controlling interests in and operates cellular telephone systems. The company owns controlling interests in cellular systems serving or licensed to serve 20 markets, has under contract the right to acquire three more and an option to acquire an additional system. The company's cellular interests represent approximately 2.5 million effective pops. -0- T

Cellular Information Systems Inc.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$ 3,938,706	$ 2,053,261	$ 10,974,964	$ 4,881,527
Net income (Loss)	$ (7,076,890)	$ (3,952,042)	$(20,907,274)	$(11,097,126)
Earnings per share (Loss)	$ (0.57)	$ (0.40)	$ (1.69)	$ (1.09)
Weighted Average shares outstanding	12,339,589	9,839,565	12,339,589	10,140,706

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MESA, ARIZ. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - First American Health Concepts Inc. (NASDAQ:FAHC), which markets and administers third party discount vision care plans, Friday announced its first quarter earnings and the acquisition of several new sponsors.

J. Kent Massey, chairman and chief executive officer of FAHC, announced first quarter earnings of $30,000, or 1 cent per common share, for the three month period ended Oct. 31. This compares to $219,000, or 8 cents per share, for the like period a year ago. Gross revenues were $351,000 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, compared to $612,000 a year earlier.

Massey said the decline in revenue is primarily due to the loss of two significant sponsoring organizations in the company's Eye Care Plan of America during fiscal 1990. He noted the decline should be a short-term trend as he announced the signing of five large employer groups as sponsoring organizations in ECPA.

Massey announced Marriott Corp., the Coca-Cola Co., Ramada International Hotels and Resorts, Johnson-Yokogawa Corp., and Peter Kiewit Sons' Inc., have all recently become sponsors in ECPA, with

membership to begin early next year.

Marriott Corp., the largest of the new employee groups, will enroll its more than 200,000 employees into the ECPA benefit in

January 1991, Massey said.

FAHC's vision care plan members are enrolled by insurance companies, employers and other organizations which sponsor group insurance programs and offer the plan as a supplementary benefit. Sponsors of the plan also include financial institutions and associations which offer ECPA as an enhancement or incentive program.

Including other household members, approximately 16 million people have access to FAHC's nationwide network of licensed independent opticians, optometrists and ophthalmologists. Members may use their vision care plan cards to purchase eyewear at savings from 20 percent to 60 percent off retail prices.

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BREMERTON, WASH. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - GNW Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:GNWF), the holding company for Great Northwest Federal Savings and Loan Association, announced Friday that the board of directors has declared a 15 percent common stock dividend.

The stock dividend will be paid Dec. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 26, 1990. Each shareholder will receive 15 shares of common stock for every 100 shares presently owned. A cash payment will be made in lieu of fractional shares.

''We believe this stock dividend will improve trading liquidity and broaden the shareholder distribution of GNW Financial's common stock,'' said Raymond Soule, chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Great Northwest Federal Savings and Loan Association was established in Bremerton in 1916 and operates 17 branches in the Puget Sound and Spokane areas.

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DALLAS/ELMSFORD, NY (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - CompuCom Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:BYTE), a national microcomputer dealer based in Dallas, and The Computer Factory Inc. (NYSE:CFA) jointly announce that CompuCom has agreed to acquire The Computer Factory in a cash merger for $4.50 per share, subject to adjustment in certain circumstances.

The total value of the transaction is approximately $39 million.

CompuCom entered the microcomputer business in 1987 and today focuses on sales to major-account business through 31 branches nationwide. With reported revenue for the first nine months of 1990 of $235 million and income of $2.1 million, CompuCom is one of the fastest growing microcomputer dealers in the United States.

The Computer Factory is a microcomputer dealer chain with 63 retail outlets. Approximately 50 percent of the company's revenues for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 ($298 million) derived from retail sales, with the balance from outbound sales to business customers. The company reported a loss for the first three quarters of fiscal 1990 (ended June 30, 1990) of $10.4 million.

According to Jay Gottlieb, chairman, president and CEO of The Computer Factory ''We are very pleased about this deal. We believe the CompuCom merger is the

most likely to optimize value for our shareholders, customers, employees and vendors.''

''The current microcomputer market is ripe with opportunities,'' said Avery More, president and co-CEO of CompuCom. ''Our deal creates value for Computer Factory's and CompuCom's shareholders. Computer Factory has substantial assets and a strong market franchise,'' further commented James W. Dixon, CompuCom's chairman and co-CEO.

Warren V. Musser, chairman of Safeguard Scientifics Inc. (Wayne, Pa.), CompuCom's largest shareholder, commented, ''CompuCom's management has demonstrated that it can manage a large microcomputer dealer operation under very demanding market conditions. We are very excited about the potential of this business combination.''

This acquisition is subject to the approval of The Computer Factory shareholders at a meeting expected to be held in early 1991. The acquisition is also subject to financing and certain other conditions.

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MENLO PARK, CALIF. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Informix Software Inc. (NASDAQ:IFMX) Friday announced that, effective at the end of this year, Mark Callegari, vice president and site general manager of the company facility in Lenexa, Kan., has resigned as a director and an officer of Informix Corp. and Informix Software Inc.

Callegari was a co-founder of Innovative Software, the company Informix merged with two years ago for its desktop technology.

''It has been exciting to help grow the company I co-founded 11-1/2 years ago into a $170 million enterprise,'' said Callegari.

''Informix is strategically and operationally poised to take advantage of exciting new opportunities. I have been immersed in the company for so long that I am looking forward to having some time off before pursuing new ventures.''

''Mark has made significant contributions to the company's growth and current position in the industry,'' said Phil White, chief executive officer of Informix. ''We will miss him, and we wish him the best in his future endeavors.''

Wynne Jennings, currently Informix's vice president of operations, will assume the additional role of Lenexa site general manager after Callegari's departure.

Informix Software Inc. is a leading supplier of information management software providing solutions from the database through the desktop.

Informix products include powerful distributed database management systems, robust application development tools, and graphical- and character-based productivity software for delivering information to every significant desktop platform.

Informix is headquartered in Menlo Park with European headquarters in London, and Asia/Pacific headquarters in Singapore.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Goldriver Limited Partnership, owner of Sam's Town Gold River Hotel & Gambling Hall in Laughlin, Nevada, today reported results for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 1990.

For the three months ended September 30, 1990, the Company reported a loss from operations of $1,651,000, on revenues of $15,154,000 as compared with a loss from operations of $1,188,000 on revenues of $8,566,000 for the corresponding period ending September 30, 1989. The net loss for the three months ended September 30, 1990 was $5,295,000, as compared to a net loss of $2,302,000 in the same quarter of the prior year.

Although revenues increased $6,588,000 or 77% for the three months ended September 30, 1990 when compared to the same quarter of 1989, operating costs and expenses increased $7,051,000 or 72%, thereby increasing the operating loss by $463,000 or 39%.

Notwithstanding the increase in revenues generated by the opening of a 25-story hotel tower and related casino, dining and parking facilities, the Company was unable to achieve an increase in operating income necessary to service the interest on the 13 7/8% First Mortgage Bonds due May 1, 1997. Interest expense was $3,975,000 (net of $200,000 in capitalized interest) during the quarter ended September 30, 1990 as compared to $2,941,000 (net of capitalized interest of $1,244,000) for the same period in 1989. In addition,

interest income decreased $1,496,000, or 82% due to the decrease in cash.

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PALO ALTO, CA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Co. (NYSE:HWP) Friday reported a 10 percent growth in orders, a 6 percent increase in net revenue and an 18 percent decline in net earnings for the fourth quarter of its 1990 fiscal year, which ended Oct. 31.

Fourth-quarter net earnings totaled $202 million, or 83 cents per share, on approximately 244 million shares of common stock outstanding. This compares with net earnings of $246 million reported in the fourth quarter of 1989, or $1.04 per share, on approximately 238 million shares.

Net revenue for the fourth quarter totaled $3.6 billion, compared with $3.4 billion in the corresponding 1989 quarter. U.S. net revenue rose 1 percent, while net revenue outside the United States increased by 10 percent.

Orders for the fourth quarter totaled $3.5 billion, up 10 percent from $3.1 billion in the like period of 1989. U.S. orders totaled $1.6 billion, an increase of 3 percent. Orders from outside the United States totaled $1.9 billion, a growth rate of 16 percent.

The company's largest publicly reported product grouping -- measurement, design, information and manufacturing equipment and systems (MDIM) -- achieved record order levels. Orders for MDIM were 7 percent higher than those in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989, and 11 percent above those for the third quarter of fiscal 1990.

Within MDIM, orders for minicomputers -- the HP 9000 Series 800 minicomputers and the HP 3000 -- posted strong increases compared to both fourth-quarter 1989 and third quarter of 1990. Orders for HP Apollo 9000 Series 400 workstations, introduced in June, also grew at attractive rates.

HP's analytical, components, and service-and-support businesses all reported order growth rates in excess of 20 percent compared with the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Orders for medical products were up 4 percent compared with the like period of 1989 and 22 percent compared with third quarter 1990.

HP's cost of goods sold increased by 0.9 percentage points over the third quarter of fiscal 1990 and represented 53.6 percent of net revenue. The

growth was due to the growing portion of HP sales, such as those to dealers and other volume purchasers, for which higher discounts are granted.

Discounts reduce HP's revenue and thus increase cost of goods sold when expressed as a percentage of net revenue.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - A Los Angeles Federal jury has awarded nearly $1.6 million in damages to Astro-Med Inc. (OTC:ALOT) of West Warwick, R.I. in an action against Western Graphtec Inc. of Irvine, Calif.

The jury of four women and two men rendered their decision at the close of the trial, which began on Nov. 1.

The action brought by Astro-Med, a leading manufacturer of specialty recorders and printers, alleged violation of the Federal Lanham Act and California Law, which prohibits fraudulent business practices. In rendering their decision before Federal Judge Ronald S.W. Lew, the jury made specific findings that Western Graphtec acted ''fraudently'' and engaged in ''despicable conduct'' in bidding to the U.S. Navy. The verdict also included a determination that the government was deceived by false representation concerning the source of Western Graphtec products.

In commenting on behalf of Astro-Med, Albert W. Ondis, CEO, stated, ''We are delighted with the outcome. We undertook the protracted and costly venture to restore fairness to the government bidding process.''

Astro-Med is a leading manufacturer of high performance specialty printers employed in the aerospace, industrial, medical, scientific, and educational fields.

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A.W. Ondis, 401/828-4000

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SANTA ANA, CALIF. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Micro General Corp. (NASDAQ:MGEN) Friday reported a third-quarter loss of $436,113 on sales of $773,552, resulting in a net loss of $576,673 on revenues of $3,352,580 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company earned $336,978 on revenues of $5,083,373 for the first nine months of 1989. Third-quarter earnings in 1989 were $18,079 on revenues of $1,667,037.

With headquarters in Santa Ana, Micro General's installed base of electronic parcel shipping systems is the largest in the industry. In addition, the company markets mailroom automation systems to corporate and government institutions and low-cost electronic postal scales to small businesses and professional offices.

Micro General Corp.
Financial Highlights
-- Unaudited --

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 24, 1989	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 24, 1989
Revenues	$ 773,552	$1,667,037	$3,352,580	$5,083,373
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(436,113)	19,145	(543,758)	338,994
Provision for income taxes	--	1,066	800	2,016
Net earnings (loss)	$ (436,113)	18,079	$ (576,673)	$ 336,978
Net earnings (loss) per share	(4 cents)	--	(6 cents)	4 cents
Weighted average shares outstanding	9,411,202	9,410,668	9,411,202	9,415,480

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NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - American Pacesetter (PSE:AEC) reported net income of $263,000, or 17 cents per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $372,000, or 24 cents per share, for the same period in 1989, John W. Klug, president and chairman of the board, announced.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net income of $233,000, or 15 cents per share, compared with net income of $634,000, or 41 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

American has one subsidiary: San Clemente Savings Bank.

American Pacesetter engages in the savings and loan business through its

wholly owned subsidiary, San Clemente Savings Bank, a $249 million federally insured association, which operates six branches in Orange County.

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Vanessa Priestley-Teen, 714/833-2211

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - American Healthcare Management Inc. (ASE:AHI) Friday announced earnings of $686,000, or 5 cents per share for nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compared with a net loss in the same period last year of $6.1 million, or 51 cents per share. Prior-year results included a write down of assets and other charges that totaled $15.3 million, but did not reflect interest expense on a significant portion of AHM's indebtedness prior to July 1989.

Total revenues for the nine-month period increased 1.8 percent to $366.6 million from $356.0 million in the year-earlier period. Reported revenues included the operations of two hospital that have been sold. Excluding the contribution of these facilities, AHM's total revenues from continuing operations increased 14.6 percent in the first nine months of 1990 compared with the same period last year.

Revenue deductions for the nine-month periods of 1990 and 1989 totaled 43.1 percent and 40.3 percent of total revenues, respectively. The higher rate for the 1990 period reflected an increasing gap between the rate of increase in hospital charges and the amounts reimbursed by Medicare and Medicaid programs and changes in the company's methodology in recording discounts and bad debt reserves.

Total revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 5.7 percent to $118.5 million from $112.1 million in the same quarter a year ago. The net loss for the third quarter of 1990 was $255,000 or 2 cents per share. This included approximately $500,000 in relocation expenses during the third quarter in connection with the move of the company's headquarters to King of Prussia, along with severance payments related to eliminated positions.

The net loss for the third quarter of 1989 was $14.5 million, or $1.22 per share a year ago, which included the aforementioned write down of assets and other charges recorded.

American Healthcare Management Inc., headquartered in King of Prussia, owns or leases seventeen hospitals in ten states with approximately 2,203 licensed beds. AHM's common stock is listed on the American Stock Exchange under the

symbol AHI.

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Richard McDonald, 215/768-5900

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WINCHESTER, VA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - American Woodmark Corp. (NASDAQ:AMWD) Friday announced that sales for the second quarter ended Oct. 31 1990 increased slightly from the prior year period to $40,828,000.

The company experienced a net loss for the quarter of $338,000, or 5 cents per share compared to net income of $534,000, or 8 cents per share in the prior year.

The decline in income is principally attributable to higher manufacturing costs incurred in producing the company's expanded product line, to higher benefit costs and to increased distribution expenses, principally caused by higher freight and fuel costs.

Sales of the company's new semi-custom products and European styled frameless cabinets continued to grow during the second quarter. The company also continues to increase penetration of the important distributor category, as it obtained a number of new distributor accounts for both its American Woodmark and Timberlake products lines.

While these sales and developments are encouraging, the company expects overall cabinet industry market conditions to remain difficult until the general economy improves.

American Woodmark Corp. manufactures and distributes modular kitchen cabinets and vanities, serving both the remodeling and new housing construction market.

Its products are sold on a nationwide basis through a network of independent distributors and directly to home centers and builders. The company presently operates seven manufacturing facilities and nine distribution centers.9

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE)--On May 11 1990, ECC Group (NASDAQ: ECLAY)

announced to its shareholders that it had entered into a conditional agreement with Asea Brown Boveri (ABB) to acquire Georgia Kaolin.

That agreement became terminable by either ECC or ABB Friday as a result of the fact that US antitrust approval of the transaction has not yet been obtained. Neither party has exercised its right of termination and discussions among ECC, ABB and the US Department of Justice are continuing. ECC and ABB will each continue to review the options available to it in light of these discussions.

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SOMERVILLE, N.J. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Beatrice D'Agostino, president and chief executive officer of Bancorp New Jersey Inc. (OTC, NASDAQ:BCNJ), announced Friday the approval by the board of directors of the regular quarterly dividend.

Shareholders of record as of Dec. 1, 1990 will receive a cash dividend of 12 cents per share payable on Dec. 14, 1990.

''The company's earnings performance, strong capital position and stock repurchase program have permitted us to declare the quarterly dividend, which is the ninth consecutive quarterly dividend since the company was formed in June, 1988,'' commented D'Agostino. ''The current dividend yield will be 5.49 percent.''

Bancorp New Jersey, located in Somerville, is the parent company of the 119-year old New Jersey Savings Bank, a wholly-owned subsidiary with six banking offices in Somerset, Hunterdon and Mercer counties. New Jersey Savings Bank is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC).

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Friday announced a four-cent increase in the domestic spot selling price of electrolytic copper.

Its new price, effective immediately, is $1.24 per pound for cathodes on a delivered basis.

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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Gerard F. Corbett, 212/510-1810

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MICH. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Cross & Trecker Corp. Friday reported a net loss of $3.1 million, or 37 cents per common share, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 ended Sept. 30.

This compares with a net loss of $1 million, or 8 cents per common share, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. The net loss per common share in the 1990 quarter was increased by 12 cents with the effect of dividends on preferred stock issued by Cross & Trecker in November 1989. A foreign translation gain equal to $3.6 million, or 29 cents per common share, reduced the net loss in the fiscal 1989 fourth quarter.

Operating revenues in the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter were $104.5 million, compared with $105.6 million the previous year.

For the 1990 fiscal year, Cross & Trecker had a net loss of $7.7 million, or $1.02 per common share, on operating revenues of $430.9 million. This compares with a net loss in fiscal 1989 of $46.5 million, or $3.76 per common share, on operating revenues of $456.7 million.

The net loss per common share in fiscal 1990 was increased by 40 cents with the effect of preferred stock dividends. The net loss in fiscal 1989 included non-recurring charges of $25 million, or $2.02 per common share, related essentially to a major restructuring program. Results in fiscal 1990 do not include operations of three companies that have been sold as part of the restructuring program. These units contributed $63.5 million to revenues in the 1989 year and had an operating loss of $3.1 million.

Orders in the 1990 fourth quarter were $117 million. The total compares with a record $133 million a year ago and is the third highest level in Cross & Trecker history. For the fiscal 1990 year, orders were $437 million, compared with $454 million in 1989. The backlog on Sept. 30 was $277 million, up from $266 million the previous year.

Cross & Trecker also announced that the board of directors declared a dividend of 62.5 cents per share on its depositary convertible, exchangeable preferred stock, payable Dec. 15 to shareholders of record Dec. 1.

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HARTFORD, CONN. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Loctite Corp. has Friday declared a quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share of common stock, payable on Jan. 2, 1991 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 7, 1990.

Loctite Corp., a worldwide market-driven specialty chemical company, ranks among the leading suppliers of proprietary high-performance adhesives, sealants, coatings, specialized brand-name chemicals and electroluminescent lamps and lighting systems. Principal markets include industrial, electronics specialized medical, professional automotive and consumer.

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MILWAUKEE (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Badger Meter Inc. (AMEX:BMI) Friday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 15.125 cents per share to shareholders of common stock of record Nov. 30, payable Dec. 14.

The directors also voted a dividend of 13.75 cents per share to shareholders of Class B common stock of record Nov. 30, payable Dec. 14. Class B common stock is not publicly traded.

These are the same amounts voted in the previous quarter.

Badger Meter is a leading marketer and manufacturer of products using flow measurement and control technology serving the industrial and utility markets worldwide.

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APPLETON, WI (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Air Wis Services Inc. (NASDAQ:ARWS) reports combined results of its Air Wisconsin and Aspen Airways units, both operating as United Express.

Prior year Aspen results are not included. Revenue passenger miles (one

passenger flown one mile) for October were 42.7 million, up 11.4 percent.

Available seat miles for October were 92.1 million, an increase of 9.1 percent from the same month in 1989. The passenger load factor (the percentage of seats occupied) for the month was 46.4 percent compared to 45.5 percent for October 1989. Passenger boardings of 211,793 were 10.2 percent above last October.

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DALLAS (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Sterling Software Inc. (NYSE:SSW) said that its exchange offer of $7.20 exchangeable preferred stock and cash for up to 1.5 million shares of its common stock was completed on Nov. 15.

Based on preliminary results, 358,279 shares of common stock were tendered for exchange, which would result in the issuance of 44,785 shares of $7.20 exchangeable preferred stock and the payment of approximately $720,000 in cash to tendering shareholders.

Sterling would therefore have 5,993,096 shares of common stock and 450,800 shares of $7.20 exchangeable preferred stock issued and outstanding upon completion of the exchange offer.

Sterling L. Williams, chief executive officer, stated, ''We are pleased with the outcome of the exchange offer. Shareholders who wanted to take advantage of the benefits of the preferred had the opportunity to do so. For the vast majority who elected to remain with the common, we interpret their decision as a vote of confidence in the future of Sterling Software.''

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MOUNT LAUREL, NJ (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - For the nine months ending Sept. 30, Jefferson Bank New Jersey (JBNJ) reported third-quarter total earnings for 1990 were $110,036, as compared to a loss of $113,775 for the comparable period, announced Betsy Z. Cohen, chairman of the board of Jefferson Bank New Jersey.

Earnings per share were 22 cents in 1990, as compared with a loss of 23 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

Total assets increased to $38,908,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, 34 percent greater than $29,022,000 at the same period in 1989. Deposits increased 44 percent from $22,764,000 in 1989, to $32,716,000 in 1990.

Jefferson Bank New Jersey is a $38 million total asset commercial bank located at 1317 Route 73 in Mount Laurel, N.J.

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MONTVALE, N.J. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. Friday announced that Gerald Good has been elected corporate vice president and chief administrative officer, a new position.

He is responsible for corporate staff functions including budgets, planning, human resources, field coordination and reporting.

Good rejoins A&P from his most recent position as president of the Blue Cross/Blue Shield organization of Virginia. Previously, he had served in several executive positions with A&P beginning in 1978, most recently as president of the company's Super Fresh subsidiary from 1982 through 1984.

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AUSTIN, TEXAS (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Tracor Aerospace Inc., has been awarded a $400,000, 18-month contract by the U.S. Air Force Systems Command/Aeronautical Systems Division, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, for the research and development of a low-cost, laser-warning receiver system for aircraft.

Under the program, Tracor employees in Austin, Texas, will design, build and deliver a Prototype system that will alert tactical aircrews to the presence of laser signals, such as those originating from fire-control range finders or target designators.

''The significance of this award,'' said George R. Melton, Tracor Aerospace vice president and general manager, ''is that it enables us to apply our expertise in fiber optics and detection techniques to a new, low-cost laser-threat-warning system, meeting future needs of the U.S. Air Force. At the same time, it signifies Tracor's continuing success in the growing business area of electro-optics.''

Since 1989, $1.5 million in contracts has been awarded to Tracor for research, development, or production of laser-warning systems. Two research programs currently underway at Tracor are the Collective Opto-Electronic Detection and Analysis project from Wright Research and Development Center and the U.S. Navy Fiber Optic Coupled Laser Warning Receiver effort managed by the Naval Air Development Center.

In addition, Tracor continues to provide the portable Short Light Pulse Alerting Receiver and the Laser Alert Device for the Individual Soldier under other programs.

Since the company first identified opportunities in the electro-optics market, Tracor has made a significant investment in pursuit of laser warning and electro-optics business. This investment includes establishing a fully equipped Electro-optics Laboratory and assembling a team of experienced scientists, engineers, and managers.

Tracor Aerospace is a subsidiary of Tracor, an international technological products and services company with headquarters in Austin.

In addition to developing laser-warning receivers, the company is a leader in the development and production of electronic countermeasures systems and other advanced defense electronics; a significant research and engineering services contractor in sonar, communications, and aviation; and a major manufacturer of automotive and electrical components.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Air France announced Friday that it will increase flight frequencies to expand seating capacity on its subsonic North Atlantic routes by 7.5 percent.

In addition, Air France will add a second Concorde flight between New York and Paris four times a week during peak periods for business travel.

This expansion in the U.S. market, part of a company-wide strategy to shift capacity to routes with greater passenger volume and profitability, is intended to enhance the company's ability to compete with other international airlines.

While this has been the company's long-term strategy for the advent of the European Single Market by 1993, many changes have been accelerated due to the dramatic rise in jet fuel costs.

The expanded service for the United States market includes:

- daily service year-round between Newark and Paris (Orly airport), starting Jan. 1, 1991,

- daily service year-round between Washington and Paris, starting in June 1991 (5 nonstop, 2 via Boston), and

- a second Concorde flight between New York and Paris four times a week for peak business travel periods (April through June and Sept. 15 through Dec. 15). This Concorde flight will supplement the year-round daily departures from New York and Paris with a second flight that departs New York on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday and departs Paris on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday.

In addition, flights will be increased during peak travel periods, including:

- an increase from 6 flights a week to daily service between Los Angeles and Paris, starting April 28, 1991,

- an increase from 5 to 6 flights a week between Houston and Paris, starting June 23, 1991, and

- an increase from 4 to 5 flights a week between Miami and Paris, starting June 30, 1991.

While expanding service on high traffic routes, Air France will reduce service between New York and French provincial cities on Dec. 1, eliminating flights to Bordeaux, Lille, Marseille, Montpellier, Mulhouse, Nantes, Strasbourg and Toulouse. Air France's puchase of the French domestic carrier, Air Inter, earlier this year has facilitated easy connections through Paris to those cities.

Air France will continue service between New York and two provincial centers, Lyon and Nice: during the peak summer period, three flights a week to Nice and three to Lyon; off-peak, three flights a week (one to Nice, one to Lyon and one to both Nice and Lyon).

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MIAMI (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - American Bankers Insurance Group Inc. (NASDAQ:ABIG) announced that its board of directors has approved the repurchase of up to 1 million shares of the company's common stock.

In approving the stock repurchase plan, the board of directors determined that the authorization of a stock repurchase plan was in the best interest of the company at this time. The common stock repurchases are to occur from time to time in the open market at prices not to exceed those set by the company's board of directors.

At the company's November board meeting, the board of directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 12 1/2 cents per share payable Dec. 21 to common shareholders of record on Dec. 7.

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Jason J. Israel, 305/252-7024

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Peter J. Guest, president of Galactic Resources Ltd. (AMEX/TSE/VSE/ME:GLC) announced 1990 nine months net income of US $3.68 million (US 9 cents per share), an increase of US $1.85 million over 1989 nine months net income of US $ 1.83 million (US 5 cents per share).

1990 nine month earnings include a gain of US $7.4 million, after tax, from the sale of 75 percent of the company's interest in the Far Southeast Project in the Philippines. A loss of US $3.20 million (US 7 cents per share loss), incurred in the 1990 third quarter, arose principally from operating losses including mine contract termination costs at Summitville.

1989 third quarter net income was US $1.38 million (US 4 cents per share). Cash flow from operations at producing mines was US $8.68 million for the nine months of 1990 and US $1.3 million for the 1990 third quarter vs. US $14.08 million and US $5.68 million, respectively, for the same periods in 1989.

1990 nine months operating income of US $9.53 million from the Ridgeway Gold Mine near Columbia, S.C., a partnership between Galactic Resources Ltd. (48 percent) and The RTZ Corp. PLC (52 percent), more than offset an operating loss at the 100 percent-owned Summitville Mine in Colorado.

Galactic Resources Ltd.'s share of Ridgeway's 1990 nine months gold production was 63,550 ounces versus 61,408 ounces for the same period in 1989. Ridgeway's operations continued to generally exceed planned performance. Galactic Resources Ltd.'s share of Ridgeway's gold sales was 63,066 ounces at an average price of US $417/oz. for the 1990 nine months compared to 60,583 ounces sold at US $387/oz. in the comparative period of 1989. Ridgeway's cash

production cost for the nine month period was US $166/oz. vs. US $140/oz. for the 1989 nine months.

The Summitville Mine incurred a 1990 nine months operating loss of US $6.52 million vs. a loss of US $0.60 million for the 1989 nine months. Gold production declined to 17,964 ounces in the 1990 nine months vs. 26,904 ounces in the 1989 period. This was caused primarily by placement of only 310,000 tons of fresh ore early in the 1989 season and delayed placement of approximately 1,245,000 tons of ore, containing 48,000 ounces of gold, late in the 1990 mining season.

Summitville sold 17,073 ounces of gold in the 1990 nine months at an average price of US $376/oz. compared with 28,615 ounces in the same period of 1989 at an average price of US $411/oz.

Galactic Resources Ltd. produces gold at the Ridgeway Gold Mine in South Carolina with partner Kennecott Ridgeway Mining Co. (an indirect subsidiary of The RTZ Corp. PLC), at the Ivanhoe Gold Mine in Nevada held with joint venture partner Cornucopia Resources Ltd. as well as its wholly-owned Summitville Mine in Colorado.

Galactic Resources Ltd. also has precious metal development projects in California, Canada, and the Philippines. Galactic Resources Ltd. trades on the American, Toronto, and Montreal Stock Exchanges.

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Peter J. Guest, 604/687-7169

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MIAMI (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Viral Research Corp. (''AVR'') announced Friday that it has extended the expiration date of its outstanding B Warrants to April 30, 1991.

The C Warrants are exercisable from Dec. 4, 1990 to Dec. 4, 1991.

AVR also announced Friday that its rescission offer to shareholders who exercised B Warrants between May 1, 1987 and July 1, 1988 has expired. AVR will pay an aggregate of $2,330 to shareholders who exercised their rescission rights. Thus, AVR now has additional $335,998 available for working capital. These funds were previously reserved for the rescission offer.

For further informatin about AVR, contact William Bregman, secretary-treasurer at Advanced Viral Research Corp., DuPont Plaza Center, Suite 724, 300 Biscayne Boulevard Way, Miami, Fla. 33131; telephone number 305/374-4847.

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MANCHESTER, NH (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - EnergyNorth Inc. (NASDAQ:ENNI), the parent holding company of EnergyNorth Natural Gas Inc. and EnergyNorth Propane Inc., Friday announced higher earnings for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

On a consolidated basis, earnings applicable to common stock were $3,995,000 for fiscal 1990 as compared to $3,622,000 for fiscal 1989, an increase of more than 10 percent. Earnings per share rose to $1.50 from $1.43, based on 2,657,000 and 2,539,000 weighted average shares outstanding in 1990 and 1989, respectively.

The primary reasons for the increase in earnings are customer expansion and weather that was colder than the previous fiscal year which resulted in higher volumes of natural and propane gas sold.

Natural gas volumes increased by almost two percent and retail propane volumes rose by more than 19 percent. At Sept. 30, 1990, EnergyNorth Natural Gas Inc. had 59,074 gas utility customers, an increase of 1.4 percent from last year. Retail propane customers increased by more than 12 percent from one year ago.

Although the weather in December 1989 produced record cold temperatures and resulting record sales for the company, temperatures in January, normally the peak month of the winter heating season in New England, were unseasonably warm. Overall, heating degree days for fiscal 1990 were 2.1 percent warmer than normal.

Total operating revenues for fiscal 1990 were $79,486,000 compared to $72,955,000 last year. Non-utility revenues from the sale of propane gas, gas heating equipment, and appliances increased to 11.8 percent of total revenues.

EnergyNorth Inc. is a public utility holding company headquartered in Manchester, N.H. The company distributes natural and propane gas to approximately 66,000 customers in southern and central New Hampshire. Through its subsidiaries, EnergyNorth also sells, rents, and repairs gas heating equipment and appliances.

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TULSA, OK (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Questa Oil & Gas Co. (NASDAQ:QUES) Friday

reported net earnings of $538,000, or 48 cents per share, for the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

That compares to earnings of $61,000, or 5 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989.

The results were boosted by a net, after-tax profit of $513,000 on the sale of the company's working interests in 45 producing oil and gas wells. The sale, announced in October, was retroactive to Sept. 1, 1990. The $1.6 million cash proceeds were reduced by leasehold and exploration expenses that had been incurred on those properties, plus an estimated $264,000 in taxes.

The sale of the producing properties also dramatically increased the results for the first nine months of the year. Net income was $671,000, or 60 cents per share, compared to earnings of $155,000, or 13 cents per share, for the like period a year ago. Discounting the reserves sale, earnings have remained stable for the year.

Questa's operational results showed a 26 percent decrease in oil and gas sales for the third quarter, which is also attributable to the reserves transaction. Oil and gas sales totaled $394,000 for the third quarter of 1989, compared to $290,000 this year. However, revenues from management fees and administrative charges increased from $60,000 last year to $99,000 in the most recent quarter.

Questa has been actively exploring for oil and gas during 1990. In the first nine months of this year, it successfully completed all 10 wells it drilled, eight of them for natural gas and two for oil. It is the operator on eight of the 10 wells, in which it owns working interests ranging from 7.5 to 41.25 percent. In addition, in the third quarter the company acquired working interests of 18.75 to 25 percent in 10 oil wells and has begun drilling 18 offsets to those wells.

Based in Tulsa, Questa Oil & Gas Co. explores and develops oil and gas properties in the United States. It is presently in its tenth year of operations. The company is publicly held and its stock is traded on NASDAQ in the over-the-counter market.

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ABITA SPRINGS, LA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Akorn (NASDAQ:AKRN) announced Friday that it has repurchased 1 million shares of its outstanding common stock from Norbrook Holdings, B.V., its largest shareholder.

The acquisition price was $1.50 per share. Such shares had been issued in September, 1989 in the acquisition of Walnut Pharmaceuticals Inc. (formerly, Norbrook America Inc.). Norbrook Holdings now has no equity position in Akorn and has agreed to relinquish a seat on Akorn's board of directors.

The 1 million shares acquired will be retired.

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Doyle S. Gaw, 615/373-4979
Barry D. LeBlanc, 504/893-9300

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WILMINGTON, MA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - UniFirst Corp. (NYSE:UNF) Friday announced a regular quarterly dividend of 3 cents per share payable Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 13, 1990.

UniFirst also announced that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 200,000 shares of its common stock in open market or private transactions.

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John Bartlett, 508/658-8888

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NEWPORT BEACH, CA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacesetter Business Properties (PSE:PBP) reported a net loss of $581,000, or 38 cents per share, on revenues of $2,598,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $658,000, or 43 cents per share, on revenues of $2,094,000 for the same period in 1989, Steven R. Strauss, president, Friday announced.

The 1990 results included the sale of one improved commercial lot and the resale of two small improved lots which had been repossessed between 1988 and 1990, while the 1989 results included no sales of real estate property.

The major reason for other changes in activity from 1989 to 1990 is the addition of interest and property tax expenses in 1990 related to the Corona improved industrial land now held for development and/or sale.

The pre-tax losses for Pacesetter Business Properties, which primarily develops commercial and industrial properties for long-term investment, include depreciation expense of $633,000 and $623,000 for the quarters ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively, on rental properties held by the company for investment.

In accordance with its strategy to generate additional cash to meet its cash requirements, on Aug. 31, 1990, the company sold certain of its notes receivable secured by real estate in a transaction which yielded net proceeds of approximately $965,000, of which $769,000 was utilized to pay off the outstanding amount of indebtedness and interest under the company's line of credit which was then terminated.

The company does not presently anticipate obtaining a replacement line of credit due to the substantial reduction in the balance in the company's notes receivables secured by real estate, which constitute the company's primary unencumbered assets.

Management fees have provided one source of cash to the company. However the company's management contract with Ahmanson Commercial Development Co., which had resulted in monthly management and other fees of $12,000 to $15,000, was terminated in September 1990. As a consequence of the contract termination, the company will no longer be receiving such management fees.

In October 1990 the company executed a 10-year lease for the 82,000-square-foot building which had previously been the remaining unleased space in a two-building office/research and development property located in Yorba Linda. The tenant improvements required by the lease will be funded by an increase in the construction loan secured by the property.

As a result of the construction period required to build out the tenant improvements and rent abatement provisions in the lease for several months subsequent to the tenant's occupancy, the company anticipates that actual rent receipts will commence in 1992.

As previously reported, Pacesetter Business Properties was spun off to its shareholders in a tax-free stock distribution by its former parent company, American Pacesetter, on June 30, 1988. Pacesetter Business Properties commenced operations on that date as a separate publicly held company.

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Diana Waller, 714/852-1184

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INGLEWOOD, CALIF. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Hollywood Park Operating Co. announced Friday that it and Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises Inc. are in discussions with a possible purchaser of approximately 25 acres of excess land adjacent to the Hollywood Park racetrack.

The Operating Co. currently holds a long-term lease on the land.

In addition, the board of directors of the Operating Co. announced the election of Stan Seiden to the board. Seiden is president of the American Corp. of the Arts as well as president of the James M. Nederlander Companies. He formerly served on the board of directors of the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce.

CONTACT: Sawyer/Miller Group, New York
Charles Perkins, 212/755-1700

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NEWTON, MASS. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Wedgestone Financial (NYSE:WDG) Friday reported a net loss for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30 1990.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the trust reported a net loss of $5,665,000 (which includes $4,740,000 in additions to the allowance for losses), compared to a net loss of $951,000 (which included no such additions) during the same period in 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the trust reported a net loss of $7,904,000 (which includes $4,952,000 in additions to the allowance for losses), compared to a net loss of $2,826,000 (which included $1,500,000 in additions to the allowance for losses) during the same period in 1989.

The primary reasons for the three-month and nine-month losses were the additions to the allowance for losses and the continued high level of underperforming assets. The additions to the allowance for losses were necessitated by the deterioration in the estimated value of both properties securing loans and foreclosed properties. Underperforming assets represented 81 percent of the trust's total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to 77 percent at Dec. 31, 1989, and 59 percent at Sept. 30, 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the trust continued to be in default of certain previously modified covenants in its debt agreements and had made only $12,250,000 of the $18,000,000 in principal prepayments required by June 30, 1990. The aforesaid $12,250,000 included $2,000,000 paid during the first nine months of 1990. The trust is seeking waivers or further modifications of these provisions.

Wedgestone Financial is a publicly owned real estate investment trust specializing in short-term and intermediate-term mortgage loans, mainly to developers.

Selected financial data for the nine months and three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, are presented below.

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PONCE, PUERTO RICO (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B. (NASDAQ:PFBS) Friday announced results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the bank had a net loss of $4,536,663, or 88 cents per share, compared to year ago net income of $1,323,054, or 26 cents per share. For the 1990 nine month period, Ponce Federal reported a net loss of $3,923,684, or 76 cents per share.

The third quarter and nine month losses were primarily the result of a provision for loan losses in the third quarter of $4.1 million vs. $862,000 provided in the like 1989 quarter. The 1990 third quarter also reflects a mark-to-market adjustment of $651,772 charged against loans held for sale.

In the year ago nine month period, the bank had a net loss of $5,954,021, or $1.08 per share. (1989 per share figures have been adjusted to reflect the effect of a 5 percent stock dividend declared in December 1989.)

The loan loss provision in the 1990 third quarter reflects the bank's actual loan experience in the period and also takes into account the current economic conditions in Puerto Rico.

The third quarter provision brings the total provision for loan losses in the first nine months of 1990 to $9,281,953, compared to $11,416,882 provided in the comparable 1989 period.

Miguel D. Lausell, Esq., chairman of Ponce's board of directors, stated, ''The board of directors and the bank have been working diligently to assess the credit quality of its loan portfolio and to develop an operating strategy for 1991.

Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B., with assets of $1.3 billion, is the second largest thrift institution in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. The bank is a federally chartered, full-service financial institution headquartered in the southern coastal city of Ponce. The bank maintains an Island-wide network of 26 branches as well as executive offices in both Ponce and Hato Rey, the financial center of metropolitan San Juan.

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by
Kehoe, White, Savage & Co. Inc., New York

John P. Kehoe or David C. Collins, 212/888-1616

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IRVINE, CALIF. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - National Health Care Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:NHCS) reported revenues of $3.6 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 52 percent increase over last year's comparable quarter, and $10 million in revenue for the nine-month period, a 49 percent increase over last year at the nine-month period.

Increases in revenue are largely due to increased enrollment in the company's pre-paid dental plans operated by DentiCare, a wholly owned subsidiary. National Health Care has expanded its in-house sales force and stepped up its marketing efforts in order to increase enrollments from a high of 184,000 in September of 1989 to the current enrollment of 245,000, a 33 percent increase.

NHCS reported a loss of $372,000, or 9 cents per share, for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a profit of $51,000, or 1 cent per share, for the same period last year. For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, NHCS reported a loss of $58,000, or 1 cent per share, vs. a profit of $229,000, or 5 cents per share, for the prior comparable period.

The company previously reported two unrelated events which were primarily responsible for the losses for the period. First, DentiCare was required by California regulators to terminate its indemnity product lines due to disputed legal interpretations. Second, the company increased its cash reserve related to specialty referral claims by $207,000.

This was a result of a rapid increase in sales of specialty referral products during 1990.

National Health Care concurrently announced that they have secured additional borrowings of $583,000 under a promisory note from a financial lender, increasing their obligation to the lender to $1 million. The note is payable over a five-year period and bears an interest rate of 1 percent above the lender's prime lending rate. The funds will be used to capitalize future growth.

National Health Care Systems owns DentiCare, a capitated pre-paid dental plan operating throughout California. The company offers its pre-paid dental benefit packages to employer groups as well as to individuals and small groups as an alternative to indemnity insurance. DentiCare currently has over 2,000 contracting dentists and over 245,000 subscribers in their plans.

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Carl Bozzo or Robert Mathuny, 714/553-1577

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NEWPORT, KY (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - NS Group Inc. (NYSE:NSS) announced that on Thursday, Nov. 15, 1990, its board of directors authorized a quarterly dividend payment in the amount of 3 cents per share for common shareholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990, payable on Dec. 28, 1990.

This is the company's seventh consecutive quarterly dividend since adopting a dividend paying policy in May of 1989. The company recently announced fiscal year 1990 earnings of $13 million, or 97 cents per share on record sales of $249.7 million.

NS Group Inc. is a holding company that owns five operating subsidiaries: Newport Steel Corp., a tubular steel producer; Kentucky Electric Steel Corp., a producer of steel bars: Erlangar Tubular Corp., a processor of tubular products; Koppel Steel Corp., a manufacturer of seamless tubular steel, hot-rolled bar and semi-finished steel products; and Imperial Adhesives Inc., an adhesives manufacturer.

CONTACT: NS Group Inc., Newport
Clifford R. Borland, 606/292-6809

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#90320b0776 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire
NORWALK, CT (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Heritage Media Corp. Friday announced it has completed the acquisition of POP Radio and will incorporate the largest in-store radio network into its wholly owned subsidiary ActMedia, the leading in-store marketing company.

''Essentially, POP Radio is becoming a product line of ActMedia,'' explained Wayne W. LoCurto, ActMedia CEO and president. ''ActMedia has always had the dominant visual in-store media. Now POP Radio gives us the unique ability to combine sight and sound for maximum in-store impact.''

Founded in 1983, POP Radio is the largest in-store radio network, now in more than 13,000 food, drug and mass merchandising outlets, as well as home centers and toy stores. POP Radio grew from $1.5 million of revenue in fiscal 1987 to $24 million in fiscal 1990 due to the effectiveness of its product and the growth of the in-store marketing industry.

ActMedia established the in-store marketing industry, introducing its program of shopping cart advertising in 1973. Since then it has built a $155 million business. More than 20,000 food stores and 6,000 drug stores make up the ActMedia retail network.

According to LoCurto, ActMedia and POP Radio already share many large advertising claims. ActMedia will offer POP radio as part of an in-store package, as well as selling it as a separate product line. ''Clients who are looking to dominate the in-store environment will be able to one stop shop with ActMedia.''

In addition to ActMedia, Dallas-based Heritage Media Corp. owns six TV and 11 radio stations. Heritage Media is a publicly held company that trades on the American Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Horton Berman Communications, New York
Bob Horton/Cliff Berman, 212/228-7100

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NEWBERRY, MICH. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Newberry Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:NEWBA) (the ''Company'') announced its unaudited results from operations for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30 (in $ thousands except per share and share amounts):

Newberry Bancorp Inc.
Financial Results (In thousands, except per share and share amounts)

	For the Three Month Periods Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Net interest income	$367	$296
Provision for loan losses	25	23
Total other income	63	35
Total other expense	296	244
Loss on deposit	100	0
Income before income tax	9	64
Income tax	5	31
Net income	4	33
Per share	$0.000	$0.003
Average shares outstanding	11,672,140	10,999,293

The company's net interest income rose from the year ago period because of an improved net interest margin and an increase in earning assets and deposits. Other income advanced as a result of both increases from operations at the bank subsidiary and an increase in securities gains to $39. Net loan charge-offs were $40 in the 1990 period vs. $3 in the 1989 period.

The sharp increase in other expense was mainly due to higher holding company expense including $15 in expense related to the proposed Equitec Savings Bank

acquisition. The company reserved $100 against the deposit held by Equitec Financial Group in conjunction with the Equitec Savings Bank acquisition due to the filing of that company for Chapter 11 reorganization in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of California.

The company owns 100 percent of the Newberry State Bank, a Michigan FDIC-insured community bank located in the eastern upper peninsula of Michigan (in the city of Newberry). At June 30, 1990, the company had unaudited consolidated assets of $43,019,014.

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Stephen Lange Ranzini, 906/293-5164

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DALLAS (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Texas Instruments Inc. Friday declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of 18 cents per share of common stock, payable Jan. 28, 1991, to stockholders of record Dec. 31.

TI develops, manufactures and markets semiconductors, defense electronic systems, computer software productivity tools, computer systems, industrial automation and control systems, electrical controls, metallurgical materials and consumer electronic products.

CONTACT: Texas Instruments, Dallas
Stan Victor

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OSHKOSH, Wi. (NOV 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Oshkosh Truck Corp. (NASDAQ: OTRKB) reported Friday a net loss of $2.8 million, or 31 cents per share for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1990 on shipments of $453.1 million.

The compares to the prior year net income of $12.8 million, or $1.43 per share on shipments of $427.2 million.

According to R. Eugene Goodson, chairman & chief executive officer, the loss was partially accounted for by previously reported inventory chargeoffs taken in the third quarter. Further inventory chargeoffs and actions in the fourth quarter resulted in an additional pre-tax charge of $2 million to profits.

A severe downturn in motorhome chassis sales following the August mid-east crisis was also a factor in the fourth quarter loss.

Oshkosh Truck has begun a major focus on its total cost structure and is implementing systems and processes to improve quality and productivity,

Goodson indicated.

The company's Oshkosh, facility released over 200 hourly and salaried employees, resulting in a one-time charge exceeding $1 million in the fourth quarter. A temporary layoff of 40 hourly people has taken place at the company's chassis assembly plant in South Carolina. Total employment is currently 1,746 people.

''The company's balance sheet remains in excellent shape,'' stated Goodson. ''We have concluded the purchase agreement with Miller Trailers Inc. and expect to finalize the acquisition next month,'' Goodson added. Trailer sales are expected to add approximately $50 million to the company's annual shipments.

The company reported a funded backlog of $350 million as of Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to $375 million a year ago. In addition, the company has existing U.S. government contracts exceeding $1 billion of shipments during the next five years. These contracts contain options that could add another $1 billion of shipments.

Net loss for the fourth quarter fiscal 1990 was $3.2 million, or 36 cents per share on shipments of $100.5 million. This compares to net income of $1.2 million, or 14 cents per share on shipments of $111.7 million in the fourth quarter.

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-30- 2418

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CHARLESTON, W.VA. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - On Nov. 13, 1990, a proposed affiliation was agreed to by the Guaranty National Bank of Huntington, W.Va. and Lavalette State Bank, Lavalette, W.Va.

This cash transaction will give the shareholders of Lavalette State Bank $24.25 per share for each of the 114,000 issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of the bank.

The Lavalette State Bank is located in Wayne County, W.Va., and will operate as an affiliate of Guaranty National Bank. This affiliation will raise the total assets of Guaranty National Bank to over $170 million.

Marc A. Sprouse, president and chief executive officer of Guaranty National Bank and Timothy R. Kinsey, president of Lavalette State Bank are pleased to announce this affiliation.

The transaction is subject to approval of regulatory authorities and

shareholders of Lavalette State Bank and the finalizing of all terms of the transaction. The Lavalette State Bank has a long history of providing quality banking services to the Wayne County marketplace.

''The affiliation with Guaranty Natonal Bank will assure continued and expanded financial services that will benefit the customers, employees, and shareholders,'' Sprouse stated.

Timothy R. Kinsey said: ''The opportunity to join with the Guaranty National Bank will be beneficial to our customers allowing us to offer trust services and expanded retail banking products and services.'' He added: ''This affiliation will enable us to continue our aggressive loan growth and better compete in today's financial services marketplace.''

The Guaranty National Bank of Huntington is an affiliate of the National Banc of of Commerce Co., Charleston.

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LAFAYETTE, LA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Exploration Company of Louisiana Inc. (NASDAQ:XCOL) (the ''company'') Friday announces results for the three and nine months periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Gross revenues were $2,543,000 and $10,655,000, as compared to $2,319,000 and $6,563,000, respectively, for the corresponding periods a year ago.

Although revenues from oil and gas for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased to $2,141,000 and $5,504,000, in 1990 from $1,562,000 and $3,643,000, respectively, in 1989, the oil and gas revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, do not reflect the full benefit of the acquisition of the additional interests in the existing wells in the Berry R. Cox Field because of their poor producing condition at the date of acquisition (Aug. 1, 1990).

However, expenses for the field do reflect the additional operating costs associated with the interests acquired. The previous operator had allowed gross production of the field to decline to only 8 MMCF per day as a result of shut-in wells, lack of required remedial work on several producing wells and failure to repair certain production equipment.

The company, as the new operator, immediately implemented a rehabilitation program and has increased production to 20,000 MCF per day (the limit of existing treatment facilities) and anticipates increasing gross production to approximately 30,000 MCF per day by year end and 45,000 MCF per day by the

first quarter of 1991.

Third quarter 1990 oil and gas revenues also do not include revenues from the production of the new wells drilled in the Kenedy Field, which began producing on Oct. 15, 1990, after completion of new field gathering and pipeline facilities.

During the third quarter of 1990, the company entered into a new banking agreement which increased its borrowing facility from $25 million to $50 million and superseded the December 1988 loan agreement. As a result of this early debt extinguishment, the $183,000 of remaining, unamortized financing fees incurred in 1988 were expensed as an extraordinary loss.

The impact of the above was a net (loss) for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of ($103,000) and net income for the nine months of $1,192,000, as compared to $317,000 and $1,065,000 for the same periods last year.

The Exploration Company of Louisiana Inc. is an oil and gas exploration and production company with offices in Lafayette. The company's common shares are traded on NASDAQ (Trading symbol:XCOL) and the International Stock Exchange, London. The company's convertible preferred shares and warrants to purchase common shares are traded on the International Stock Exchange, London.

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JACKSON, MI (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Trustmark Corp. (NASDAQ:TRMK) at the Nov. 13, 1990, board of directors meeting voted to increase the quarterly dividend from 25 cents per share to 25.75 cents per share, payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

This action raises the annual rate to $1.03 per share. Outstanding shares at Nov. 30, 1990 were 9,825,461.

CONTACT: Trustmark Corp., Jackson
Joe Gibbs, 601/354-5943

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#90320b0802 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire

ENGLEWOOD, NJ (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - ATS Money Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ATSM) Friday announced the operating results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30,

1990.

According to Gerard F. Murphy, president and chief executive officer, ''The continuing softness in the retail industry has caused its prospective customers to proceed slower than anticipated.

''In addition, additional layers of approval are now required for major capital expeditures. In spite of this, the near term outlook is very favorable, with pilot installations under way in a number of major retail chains.''

ATS Money Systems Inc. is engaged in the development, sales and service of coin and currency handling equipment and systems. The company's major products are PC-based systems for currency management in the banking and retail industries. It also sells a variety of stand-alone products for cash handling.

ATS Money Systems Inc.
Financial Hightlights

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 527,823	$ 1,288,928	$ 2,054,699	$ 3,335,210
Income (loss) before extra-ordinary credit	(437,196)	158,890	(767,595)	442,103
Extraordinary credit	0	70,000	0	181,000
Net income (loss)	$(437,196)	$ 228,890	$ (767,595)	$ 623,103
Earnings (loss) per common and common equivalent share:	$ (.08)	$ .04	$ (.14)	$ .12
Weighted number of shares outstanding	5,665,970	5,665,896	5,665,970	5,083,167

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Gerard F. Murphy, 201/894-1700
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L.G. Zangani Inc., Flemington, N.J.
Leonardo G. Zangani, 201/788-9660

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#90320b0808 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire
OAKLAND, CA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The Clorox Co. announced Friday it has selected Perryman, Harford County, Md., for the site of its new production and

distribution center, valued at approximately $75 million.

The facility will utilize some of the most advanced production and distribution technology available.

When construction is complete in early 1993, the center initially will produce and distribute Clorox liquid bleach to the northeast United States. The facility is expected to be fully operational by 1995.

The Perryman center is expected to provide up to 100 jobs with an annual payroll and benefits of up to $4 million.

The Perryman facility will take over production capacity from two older East Coast plants in Frederick, Md. and Jersey City, N.J. Employees at those locations were informed Friday of company plans to transfer production and distribution activity over the next three to five years and close those plants.

According to company studies, the 26-year-old Frederick facility, which employs 35 people, is located too far from the company's primary customer base along north-south transporation routes. The Perryman site will allow the company to make round-trip customer deliveries within one day, something which is impossible to do from the Frederick location.

In addition, the new center could not fit on the present Frederick plant site.

The Jersey City operation, which has been at its present location since the mid-60s, also does not have the space needed to accommodate current and future expansion, including the modernization of production methods. Some 160 people now are employed at the Jersey City facility.

Established in 1913, the Clorox Co. operates 40 facilities throughout the United States and abroad. The company employs more than 5,500 people and is the world's largest producer of household bleach. The company also produces other household and cleaning products, specialty food products, charcoal briquets, bottled water, restaurant equipment and products for the food service industry.

Annual revenue exceeds $1.5 billion.

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Fred Reicker, 201/333-0474 or
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NEWTON, MASS (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Wedgestone Financial (NYSE:WDG) announced Friday that it has entered into a confidentiality agreement with a party with which it has resumed negotiations regarding a possible business combination.

On Oct. 25, 1990, Wedgestone announced that negotiations with such party had been terminated.

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#90320b0810 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - B+H Maritime Carriers Ltd. (ASE: BHM) announced Friday that it intends to refinance its secured term loan. Under the terms of the proposed new $24.3 million financing, B+H Maritime would pay interest only for the initial 24 months of the six year loan.

Drawdown of the new loan is anticipated before year-end. The new loan, which will be secured by a first priority fleet mortgage on the Company's vessels, will replace a similar arrangement which was originally drawn down during 1989 following the Company's initial public offering and which was used to complete the Company's vessel acquisition program.

The deferment of loan repayments for 24 months is expected to increase Available Cash Flow and should permit some increase in the level of distributions to shareholders.

The company operates five handy-size dry bulkcarriers and four product tankers.

CONTACT: The Foristall Co. Inc., N.Y.
T.F. Curtin, 212/797-4646

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#90320b0814 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire
NORTH CANTON, OH (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Belden & Blake Energy Co. (AMEX:BBE) announced Friday that it has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a Supplement to the Belden & Blake Energy Co. Prospectus dated May 14.

The Supplement, dated Nov. 15, relates to an offering of up to 575,000 units to be issued in exchange for producing oil and gas properties and proven reserves.

The exchange offer will be made to Belden & Blake working interest owners and certain drilling programs formed by DeRand Corp. The general partners of the

DeRand partnerships may elect to exchange the assets of up to 16 partnerships for Belden & Blake Energy Co. units. The offer will close on Dec. 21, or sooner if tenders of interest in excess of the available units are received by the company.

Henry S. Belden IV, co-general partner of the company stated, ''The oil and gas industry is highly cyclical. The current Middle East crisis has initiated a positive trend in the business cycle for the industry. This positive trend can be noted in BBEC's recently announced 1990 third quarter earnings of approximately $1.3 million in net income. With oil prices at their current high levels, we believe that the timing is ideal to consolidate small, fragmented oil and gas interests into an active, operating oil and gas company.''

Belden & Blake Energy Co. is engaged in exploration, development, production and marketing of oil and natural gas in the Appalachian Basin.

CONTACT: Belden & Blake Energy Co., North Canton
Patricia A. Cathey, 216/499-1660

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#90320b0820 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (NOV 16) BUSINESS WIRE - AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC) Friday announced its third quarter results which include a special charge relating to the previously announced sale of its insurance operations.

Pursuant to generally accepted accounting principles, the consolidated insurance operations are now reported as discontinued operations of AmBase.

As a result, a charge of $599 million, related to the estimated loss on the proposed sale of the company's insurance operations, was made against the 1990 third quarter results. This charge reflects an adjustment to the carrying value of the company's investment in its insurance operations from the previously stated book value of approximately $1.3 billion to the currently estimated valuation of $744 million.

AmBase reported a loss from continuing operations for the 1990 third quarter of $55 million, or $1.62 per share compared with a $10 million loss, or 31 cents per share in last year's period.

Insurance operations and investment services, now reported as discontinued operations, recorded a net loss from operations of $40 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared with net income of $30 million for the 1989 third quarter. The insurance underwriting loss was $53 million in the 1990 third quarter compared with $59 million in last year's quarter. The statutory combined ratio of 111.6 for the 1990 third quarter was slightly better than the 1989 third quarter.

Banking operations reported a pre-tax loss of $18 million in this year's third quarter. The provision for loan losses was $35 million in the 1990 third quarter reflecting a continuing decline in the overall economy particularly in commercial real estate.

Including the special charge for the estimated loss on the sale of the company's insurance operations and the operating results of such discontinued operations, AmBase reported a net loss of $694 million for the third quarter of 1990 and a net loss of $842 million for the first nine months of 1990.

Total consolidated assets, including $744 million of net assets of discontinued operations, were $6,783 million and total stockholders' equity was $244 million.

AmBase Corp.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)(a)
(in millions, except per share data)

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Loss from continuing operations	$ (55)	$ (10)	$ (133)	$ (32)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations:				
Income (loss) from operations	(40)	30	(110)	108
Estimated loss on disposition(b)	(599)	---	(599)	---
	(639)	30	(709)	108
Net income (loss)	$ (694)	$ 20	$ (842)	$ 76
Per share data:				
Loss from continuing operations	$(1.62)	$ (.31)	$(3.93)	$ (.94)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	(18.77)	.88	(20.80)	3.16
Net income (loss)	$(20.39)	$ .57	$(24.73)	$ 2.22
Dividends	$ ---	$ .05	$ .05	$ .15
Average shares outstanding	34.0	34.1	34.1	34.1

(a) Pursuant to generally accepted accounting principles, the consolidated operations of The Home Insurance Co. are reported as discontinued operations of AmBase Corp.

(b) The 1990 third quarter and nine month results reflect the estimated loss attributable to the proposed sale of The Home Insurance Co. to TVH Acquisition Corp., which was previously announced on Oct. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: AmBase Corp., New York Paul J. Robitaille, 212/530-7383

-30- 4292
#90320b0828 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (NOV 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Grey Advertising (OTC) has declared a quarterly dividend of $.725 per share of common stock and per share of Limited Duration of Class B Common Stock, payable Dec. 17, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 3.

This represents an increase of $.025 per share.

CONTACT: Grey Advertising Inc., New York Dorothy Marcus, 212/546-2422

-30- 559
#90320b0829 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire
NATICK, MA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Prime Computer Inc. announced that the United States Court of Appels for the 6th Circuit has issued an emergency stay of an injunction ordered yesterday by the United States District Court in Detroit until the 6th Circuit can hold a hearing on Prime's appeal of the injunction.

The injunction arose out of a lawsuit commenced in 1989 by Virtual Maintenance Inc. against Prime, alleging that certain of Prime's maintenance policies violated federal antitrust laws.

Prime believes that the injunction and the jury verdict in the case were wrong and Prime will file a motion in the trial court to reverse the jury verdict in the case and will also appeal the verdict if the effort in the trial court is unsuccessful.

The District Court's injunction affects Prime's maintenance policies for a limited number of 50 Series minicomputer customers using the Product Design Graphic system (PDGS), a software product developed by Ford Motor Co. that Prime has been licensed to market and support. The affected customers, who are Ford suppliers, provide design services to Ford Motor Co., and use the most current revisions of PDGS to be compatible with Ford's internal systems.

The injunction would prohibit Prime from using or enforcing contractual language in its software service contracts with those customers that require the purchase of hardware maintenance. The District Court's injunction would affect Prime's policies with respect to PDGS revisions for those customers. The effect of the 6th Circuit's emergency stay is to suspend the District Court's injunction until Prime can appeal the injunction to the 6th Circuit Court.

In addition, Prime intends to ask the District Court to reverse the judge's treble-damage verdict in the amount of $25 million, and if the District Court

denies that request, Prime will appeal the verdict to the 6th Circuit Court.

Prime continues to believe that all of its policies and practices are legal and not in violation of antitrust laws, and will vigorously defend those policies. They have served customers well and allow Prime to provide the highest quality of service.

Prime Computer Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of CAD/CAM (computer-aided design/computer-aided manufacturing) solutions, having leadership positions in the automotive, industrial equipment and aerospace markets. In addition, the company, is a supplier of UNIX-based open systems and proprietary general-purpose system solutions incorporating state-of-the-art technology and providing competitive price/performance.

CONTACT: Prime Computer Inc., Natick
Joe Gavaghan, 508/655-8000, ext. 7727

-30- 2880

#90320b0830 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire

ATLANTA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - The state of Georgia's Department of Labor, Job Training Division, recognized IBM Corp. (NYSE:IBM) as an ''Outstanding Corporate Partner'' during the fifth annual Job Training Partnership Conference dinner Thursday at the Atlanta Airport Hyatt Hotel.

During the awards banquet, which was attended by Gov. Joe Frank Harris and State Labor Commissioner Joe Tanner, IBM was cited for its leadership in implementing the Summer Youth Mentor Program, operated by the Private Industry Council of Atlanta Inc.

For the past three years, IBM has annually provided some 25 mentors and summer jobs, plus support staff to the PIC office, and has designed and implemented an annual training program for mentors and proteges.

Jim Fox, IBM area assistant general manager who served as the PIC chairman of the program and was largely responsible for its success, received the award from Gov. Joe Frank Harris.

The company was cited for providing summer employment, on-the-job training and specialized skills training for individuals in the job training program, and both training and employment opportunities for persons with disabilities.

IBM was involved, for example, with the Job Training Partnership, the Georgia Department of Education and Goodwill Industries to make computers and systems specialists available for the Georgia Computer Campus Program at Georgia Tech. The program trains severely handicapped persons for career opportunities in business.

The ''Outstanding Corporate Partner'' tribute is a part of the annual awards presented by Gov. Harris in recognition of exemplary corporate support of the Georgia Job Training Partnership Program.

CONTACT: IBM Corp., Atlanta
Pam Evans, 404/877-6165
or
Georgia Department of Labor, Atlanta
Ginger Blackstone, 404/656-3032

-30- 2049
#90320b0831 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Westvaco Corp. reported Friday that Price Waterhouse has completed its audit and has confirmed the unaudited sales and earnings report for the fourth quarter and year-end of fiscal 1990 which the company released Thursday.

CONTACT: Westvaco Corp., New York
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Laura N. Miller (for Media)
212/688-5000 or
212/688-5017

-30- 551
#90320b0837 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire

BOSTON (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Clinical Data (NASDAQ:CLDA) announced Friday that it has acquired an additional 30,000 shares in Vital Scientific NV, its Dutch subsidiary.

This purchase increases the company's equity ownership to 94 percent of the Netherlands based company. In this transaction, the company purchased 6 percent of the outstanding common shares from two Dutch venture capital companies for a cash consideration of approximately DFl 228,000 ($130,000).

Israel M. Stein, M.D., president of Clinical Data Inc., commented, ''We continue to feel confident about Vital's performance and expect that our increasing role in the company will provide a growth opportunity for our shareholders.''

Clinical Data Inc. is a multinational medical company offering micro-computer based services and products used in pharmaceutical research and clinical laboratories. The company's Dutch subsidiary, Vital Scientific NV, designs and manufactures blood chemistry instrumentation which is marketed worldwide by E. Merck. The company through its Drug Research Services Division has developed ambulatory monitoring technology used in cardiovascular pharmaceutical research.

CONTACT: Clinical Data Inc., Boston
Israel M. Stein, M.D.
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-30- 1484

#90320b0845 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Genzyme Corp. (NASDAQ:GENZ) Friday announced that it has filed suit in the Federal District Court in Boston, against Boehringer Mannheim GmbH (BMG) and Boehringer Mannheim Corp. (BMC), the U.S. subsidiary of BMG.

The suit requests that the court enter a declaratory judgement that Genzyme's new silyl blocked amylase substrate is free of infringement of BMG's patents as agreed to in a prior settlement agreement between the parties. The suit allegations are based on BMG's and BMC's activities in the marketplace and sets forth claims based on breach of contract, unfair competition, antitrust, Estoppel, Tortious Interference with contract and trade libel. Permanent injunctive relief and treble damages are also being sought.

Henri A. Termeer, chairman and CEO of Genzyme said, ''We are taking an agressive posture to protect our customers who consistently state their preference for Genzyme's patented ''two-enzyme'' technology. We have filed a preliminary injunction requesting the court to enjoin BMG and BMC from threatening our customers with infringement of BMG's patents.'' He continued, ''We are determined to definitively resolve these issues through this action.''

Genzyme Corp. is a diversified health care products company based on the development of novel therapeutic proteins and biomaterials. The company is currently engaged in the operation of growing diagnostic products, pharmaceuticals and fine chemicals businesses. The company is headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., with production and research facilities in located in Cambridge and Framingham, Mass., and Maidstone and Haverhill, England, and an international sales and marketing office located in Tokyo.

CONTACT: Genzyme Corp., Cambridge
Jennifer Pierce, 617/252-7582

-30- 1999

#90320b0849 11/16/1990 ~Business Wire

PISCATAWAY, N.J. (NOV. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - Unitronix Corp. (NSADAQ: UTRX) Friday announced financial results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30.

Revenues were $3.1 million, an increase of 171 percent over revenues of $1.1 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The company reported a net loss from operations of $143,000 compared to a loss of $715,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The net loss for the period was $185,000, or 9 cents per share, compared to a loss of $616,000, or 29 cents per share, for the same quarter last year.

David Lilly, president and chief executive officer, said, ''The sales increse over the same period a year ago was primarily the result of a large order with a significant hardware component, resulting in a lower than normal gross profit contribution in the quarter. The overall market demand for PRAXA products is on target. However, our expenses continue to cause losses for the company. We are attempting to make additional cost reductions, and improve our revenues and gross margin to return our company to profitability.''

Unitronix is a provider of turnkey systems utilizing PRAXA, a proprietary manufacturing planning and control system (MRPII) that runs exclusively on Digital Equipment Corp.'s line of VAX/VMS computers.

CONTACT: Unitronix Corp., Piscataway
David A. Lilly, 201/981-1600
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-30- 1650

#90320c0007 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Home Federal Corp.(TICKER: HFMD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(97,651)	$513,837
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$0.38

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$316,635,078	$309,024,423
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$21,620,474	$21,410,718

-30- 804

#90320c0008 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by D.W.I. Corp.(TICKER: DWIC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$343,305	$579,552
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$1,324
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(38,152)	$8,826
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	19,972,156	19,521,476

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,118,869	$1,156,518
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(241,864)	$(195,801)

The company reports that revenues declined in the third quarter of 1990 due to a smaller number of clients served and less work from two major clients.

The company's executive address is 23351 Madero Street, Mission Viejo, California 92691, and its telephone number is (714) 859-3533.

-30- 1363

#90320c0009 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Tround International Inc.(TICKER: TROU).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(24,953)	$(137,181)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	23,011,593	23,011,593

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,605,055	$1,361,157
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$617,545	$418,530

The company reports it is in the development stage.

Its executive address is Alpha Industrial Park, Alpha, New Jersey 08865, and its telephone number is (201) 859-6295.

-30- 1258

#90320c0010 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Apco Argentina Inc.(TICKER: APAG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,290,789	4,275,553
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(100,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,257,922	$2,821,799
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.44	$0.37
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,360,000	$7,448,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$20,083,504	$16,021,761
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,358,350	$14,278,159

-30- 1094

#90320c0011 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Newnan Savings Bank FSB.(TICKER: NFSL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,233	$350,835
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.27
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,290,550	1,289,428

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$140,746,704	$152,481,335
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,015,251	$13,969,743

-30- 890
#90320c0012 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mid-Coast Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: MCBN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$40,333	$35,315
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.20	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$39,251,770	$38,966,789
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,289,549	$3,210,470

-30- 793
#90320c0013 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Griffith Consumers Co.(TICKER: FUEL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$25,100,828	$21,572,767
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,447,973)	$(981,237)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.61)	$(0.39)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,355,000	2,490,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$39,388,448	$38,397,499
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,217,812	$4,665,785

-30- 1075

#90320c0015 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cattleguard Inc.(TICKER: CGXX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,013,459	$1,287,986
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(283,621)	$(497,128)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,250,000	6,250,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,556,414	$3,394,880
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$262,937	$1,579,451

-30- 1078

#90320c0016 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Science Dynamics Corp.(TICKER: SIDY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$645,056	$1,174,672
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(383,359)	$(40,645)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.13)	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,291,383	$5,267,247
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,120,898	$4,890,218

-30- 1023

#90320c0017 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by TVX Broadcast Group Inc.(TICKER: TVXG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$42,101,956	$36,407,530
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$618,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,058,438	$(4,544,681)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$(0.62)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	34,013,557	7,311,176

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$237,454,702	$227,715,014
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(109,910,477)	$(142,331,472)

-30- 1091

#90320c0018 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Vicom Inc.(TICKER: VICM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,136,953	$1,487,511
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(72,621)	$(185,957)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.09)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,101,534	2,096,491

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,142,873	$7,135,740
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,531,352	$1,965,819

-30- 1058

#90320c0019 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Central Holding Co.(TICKER: CHOL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$502,794	$(275,230)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.14	$(0.08)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$526,779,701	$548,009,749
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,965,609	$18,452,315

-30- 804
#90320c0020 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Del Paint Corp.(TICKER: DELA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$931,361	$1,015,092
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$40,360	$58,292
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,724,402	1,724,402

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,408,504	$2,155,820
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$390,411	$281,460

-30- 1048
#90320c0091 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JOHN J KELLEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF AFFILIATED BANC CORP. (TICKER: ABCV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 338
#90320c0093 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, RICHARD L DREES, DIR. OF ACC CORP. (TICKER: ACCC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,615.

-30- 292
#90320c0094 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, GEORGE R JENSEN JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0095 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, GEORGE R JENSEN JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90320c0096 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, GEORGE R JENSEN JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 651,000.

-30- 351
#90320c0097 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, GEORGE R JENSEN JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 432,500.

-30- 355
#90320c0098 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JEROME A MATTINGLY, PRES. OF AMERICAN BIONETICS INC. (TICKER: AMBI), BOUGHT 1,793 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,793.

-30- 346
#90320c0099 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, PRES. OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c0101 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, PRES. OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c0102 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, PRES. OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c0103 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, PRES. OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c0104 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, PRES. OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,495.

-30- 347
#90320c0105 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0106 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c0107 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c0109 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c0110 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0111 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0112 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0113 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0114 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0115 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0117 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,393,040.

-30- 330
#90320c0118 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0119 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90320c0120 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90320c0121 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0122 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90320c0123 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0125 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0126 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0127 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0128 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0129 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0130 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,393,040.

-30- 325
#90320c0131 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOSEPH CATTIVERA, PRES. OF ANGELES CORP. (TICKER: ANG), SOLD 7,480 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,400.

-30- 303
#90320c0133 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, J DARCY CHISHOLM, TTEE OF ANGELES PARTICIPATING MTG TRUST (TICKER: APT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 340
#90320c0134 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, DONALD L PARKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF QMS INC. (TICKER: AQM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,017.

-30- 314
#90320c0135 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, PETER MCCAUSLAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90320c0136 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 21, 1990, PETER MCCAUSLAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 327
#90320c0137 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN J HARVEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 119,819.

-30- 328
#90320c0138 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0139 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314

#90320c0141 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0142 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0143 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0144 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0145 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0146 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 318

#90320c0147 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0149 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0150 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0151 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0152 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0153 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 314

#90320c0154 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0155 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0157 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0158 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0159 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0160 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 318

#90320c0161 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0162 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0163 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0165 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0166 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 86,829.

-30- 354
#90320c0167 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ARCHIBALD SPENCER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ATHEY PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: ATPC), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90320c0168 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ARCHIBALD SPENCER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ATHEY PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: ATPC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,448.

-30- 330
#90320c0169 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JONES A LAURENCE, VP OF AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC. (TICKER: AUD), SOLD 750 SHARES AT $50.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,750.

-30- 333
#90320c0170 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, MARCEL P JOSEPH, PRES. OF AUGAT INC. (TICKER: AUG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,997.

-30- 297
#90320c0171 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, BRUCE L HICKS, OFFICER OF AVONDALE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AVDL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,070.

-30- 317
#90320c0173 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JAMES H MAYNARD, DIR. OF BB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BBTF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,100.

-30- 324
#90320c0174 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, HAYS T WATKINS, DIR. OF THE BLACK & DECKER CORP. (TICKER: BDK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,993.

-30- 320
#90320c0175 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DAVID CLANCY, OFFICER OF BIOPOOL INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BIPL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 325
#90320c0176 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, BAKER MICHAEL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF BAKER (MICHAEL) CORP. (TICKER: BKR), BOUGHT 14,941 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90320c0177 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c0178 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c0179 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c0181 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c0182 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c0183 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c0184 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c0185 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 18,750 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90320c0186 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c0187 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 140,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,646,725.

-30- 343
#90320c0189 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, DONALD R GORDON, DIR. OF BIOSEARCH MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: BMPI), BOUGHT 200,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c0190 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, DONALD R GORDON, DIR. OF BIOSEARCH MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: BMPI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 274,600.

-30- 333
#90320c0191 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, LAWRENCE M UBERTINI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BAMBERGER POLYMERS INC. (TICKER: BPI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,187.

-30- 353
#90320c0192 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ELLEN G BRESLAUER, OFFICER OF BRE PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BRE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90320c0193 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, EDWARD R DOWNE JR, DIR. OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC), BOUGHT 175 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,272.

-30- 327
#90320c0194 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JUDITH A ROGALA, DIR. OF BUTLER MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BTLR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 320
#90320c0195 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WAYMAN F SMITH III, VP OF ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. (TICKER: BUD), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $35.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,118.

-30- 307
#90320c0197 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JEFFREY J SHEARER, VP OF BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: BV), SOLD 10,200 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c0198 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JEFFREY J SHEARER, VP OF BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: BV), SOLD 18,700 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c0199 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JEFFREY J SHEARER, VP OF BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: BV), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c0200 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JEFFREY J SHEARER, VP OF BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP.

(TICKER: BV), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 169,664.

-30- 336
#90320c0201 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, DENNIS F WILLSON, VP OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.93 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c0202 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, DENNIS F WILLSON, VP OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 331
#90320c0203 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ANDREW A DELGREGO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,568.

-30- 388
#90320c0205 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, GEORGE R HERBERT, DIR. OF CCB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CCBF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 313
#90320c0206 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ALAN PARSOW, SHAREHOLDER OF CAMPBELL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CCH), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 489,536.

-30- 337
#90320c0207 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, HENRY D EPSTEIN, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: CCMM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90320c0208 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HENRY D EPSTEIN, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: CCMM), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90320c0209 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HENRY D EPSTEIN, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: CCMM), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90320c0210 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, HENRY D EPSTEIN, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: CCMM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 205,000.

-30- 365
#90320c0211 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JAY GOTTLIEB, PRES. OF COMPUTER FACTORY INC. (TICKER: CFA), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 214,913.

-30- 321
#90320c0213 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JAMES W GORMAN JR, DIR. OF CULLEN/FROST BANKERS INC. (TICKER: CFBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90320c0214 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JAMES W GORMAN JR, DIR. OF CULLEN/FROST BANKERS INC. (TICKER: CFBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90320c0215 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JAMES W GORMAN JR, DIR. OF CULLEN/FROST BANKERS INC. (TICKER: CFBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 325
#90320c0216 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, GERALD W MONTIEL, PRES. OF CHARTER GOLF INC. (TICKER: CGOL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c0217 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, GERALD W MONTIEL, PRES. OF CHARTER GOLF INC. (TICKER: CGOL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c0218 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, GERALD W MONTIEL, PRES. OF CHARTER GOLF INC. (TICKER: CGOL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c0219 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GERALD W MONTIEL, PRES. OF CHARTER GOLF INC. (TICKER:

CGOL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c0221 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ROBERT M BEALL, DIR. OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c0222 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, KENNETH C LICHTENDAHL, DIR. OF CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CINF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $66.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 334
#90320c0223 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, LARRY WEBB, DIR. OF CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CINF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $66.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,450.

-30- 316
#90320c0224 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, MICHAEL W PATRICK, PRES. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,597.

-30- 323
#90320c0225 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WILLIAM B DOCKSER, CHAIRMAN OF CRI INSURED MTG ASSN INC. (TICKER: CMM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 122,650.

-30- 337

#90320c0226 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WILLIAM B DOCKSER, CHAIRMAN OF CRI INSURED MTG ASSN INC. (TICKER: CMM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 182,515.

-30- 340
#90320c0227 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, EWING OIL INC, BEN. OWNER OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE), SOLD 49,921 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,755.

-30- 347
#90320c0229 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, HERBERT C PELL III, DIR. OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,737.

-30- 324
#90320c0230 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, GOLDEN OIL CO, BEN. OWNER OF COBB RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: COBB), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c0231 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90320c0232 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $2.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90320c0233 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 23,000 SHARES AT $2.61 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90320c0234 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90320c0235 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, COOKER RESTAURANT CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF COOKER RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: COKR), BOUGHT 16,500 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90320c0237 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 13,200 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90320c0238 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c0239 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c0240 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 11,400 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90320c0241 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90320c0242 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90320c0243 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c0245 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c0246 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, GARY A SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 233,403.

-30- 324
#90320c0247 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 13,200 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90320c0248 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c0249 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90320c0250 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 11,400 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90320c0251 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90320c0253 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER

COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c0254 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c0255 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c0256 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, STEVEN G SINGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,291,403.

-30- 352
#90320c0257 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, FRANK J DISANTO JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COPYTELE INC. (TICKER: COPY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 236,475.

-30- 332
#90320c0258 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, WAYNE C CASEBOLT, OFFICER OF CORDIS CORP. (TICKER: CORD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 932.

-30- 305
#90320c0259 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 151,043.

-30- 305
#90320c0261 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90320c0262 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90320c0263 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90320c0264 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,612,354.

-30- 310
#90320c0265 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,113.

-30- 303
#90320c0266 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90320c0267 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90320c0269 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, DEAN C NISWANDER, VP OF CHEMI-TROL CHEMICAL CO. (TICKER: CTRL), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,658.

-30- 321
#90320c0270 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM W BERRY, DIR. OF C&S/SOVRAN CORP. (TICKER: CVN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,317.

-30- 304
#90320c0271 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JOHN D COMER, DIR. OF C&S/SOVRAN CORP. (TICKER: CVN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,960.

-30- 303
#90320c0272 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CARL H MURRAY, DIR. OF CXR CORP. (TICKER: CXR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,800.

-30- 290

#90320c0273 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD. (TICKER: CXY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 355
#90320c0274 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD. (TICKER: CXY), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 388
#90320c0275 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, GEORGE E KLINE, DIR. OF CYBEROPTICS CORP. (TICKER: CYBE), SOLD 3,700 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90320c0277 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, KENNETH J BARR, CHAIRMAN OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c0278 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, KENNETH J BARR, CHAIRMAN OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c0279 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOHN TARABA, VP OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90320c0280 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1989, RAYBURN S DEZEMBER, DIR. OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $29.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 297
#90320c0281 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1989, RAYBURN S DEZEMBER, DIR. OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,900.

-30- 297
#90320c0282 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, STEVEN B SCHICKLER, OFFICER OF DREYER'S GRAND ICE CREAM INC. (TICKER: DRYR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90320c0283 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, STEVEN B SCHICKLER, OFFICER OF DREYER'S GRAND ICE CREAM INC. (TICKER: DRYR), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,900.

-30- 348
#90320c0285 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JAMES L MAROVITZ, DIR. OF DYNASCAN CORP. (TICKER: DYNA), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,470.

-30- 304
#90320c0286 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOHN F RENO, OFFICER OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 303
#90320c0287 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN F RENO, OFFICER OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,525.

-30- 301
#90320c0288 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOHN B MOWELL, DIR. OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c0289 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOHN B MOWELL, DIR. OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c0290 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOHN B MOWELL, DIR. OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,200.

-30- 334
#90320c0291 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOHN B MOWELL, DIR. OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0293 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER:

EME), BOUGHT 76,300 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c0294 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 5,300 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90320c0295 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90320c0296 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c0297 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c0298 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90320c0299 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER:

EME), BOUGHT 13,600 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c0301 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90320c0302 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90320c0303 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, GEOFFREY P JURICK, DIR. OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90320c0304 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, RUDOLPH MALACRIDA, VP OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,823.

-30- 306
#90320c0305 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, SHAMROCK HOLDINGS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ENTERRA CORP. (TICKER: EN), SOLD 432,180 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,788,420.

-30- 331
#90320c0306 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, WALTER H BARANDIARAN, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,362.

-30- 356
#90320c0307 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, WALTER H BARANDIARAN, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 357
#90320c0309 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, INSTITUTIONAL VENTURE PART III, BEN. OWNER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90320c0310 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, INSTITUTIONAL VENTURE PART III, BEN. OWNER OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,000.

-30- 354
#90320c0311 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN L FRYE, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP.(NC) (TICKER: FBNC), SOLD 13,875 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 325
#90320c0312 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN L FRYE, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP.(NC) (TICKER: FBNC), BOUGHT 13,875 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,119.

-30- 327
#90320c0313 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, J EVANS ATTWELL, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c0314 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, J EVANS ATTWELL, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 23,400 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c0315 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, J EVANS ATTWELL, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90320c0317 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, RALPH S OCONNOR, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c0318 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, RALPH S OCONNOR, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 190,019.

-30- 348
#90320c0319 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1990, ROBERT J SIERRA, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90320c0320 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 05, 1990, ROBERT J SIERRA, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90320c0321 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, ROBERT J SIERRA, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90320c0322 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT J SIERRA, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90320c0323 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROBERT J SIERRA, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90320c0325 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ROBERT J SIERRA, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,500.

-30- 340
#90320c0326 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, ALAN K CHALMERS, OFFICER OF FIRST FINANCIAL MGMT CORP.

(TICKER: FFM), BOUGHT 117 SHARES AT $15.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 283.

-30- 330
#90320c0327 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JEFFREY J SQUIRES, OFFICER OF FIRST INTER-BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FIBI), BOUGHT 4,950 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,430.

-30- 337
#90320c0328 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, GEORGE P BUCKEY, DIR. OF FINANCIAL TRUST CORP. (TICKER: FITC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 315
#90320c0329 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WEBB S HERSPERGER, DIR. OF FINANCIAL TRUST CORP. (TICKER: FITC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,481.

-30- 320
#90320c0330 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, EDWIN H SHUTT, DIR. OF FIRST OF LONG ISLAND CORP. (TICKER: FLIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,576.

-30- 321
#90320c0331 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, JOHN R FLUOR II, OFFICER OF FLUOR CORP. (TICKER: FLR), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,430.

-30- 300
#90320c0333 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, ALLEN M VOELZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF F & M FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP.(WI) (TICKER: FMFS), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,819.

-30- 354
#90320c0334 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, WILLIS H NEWTON JR, VP OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 325
#90320c0335 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, STEVEN D SINGLETON, VP OF FIRST SECURITY CORP.(KY) (TICKER: FSKY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,581.

-30- 322
#90320c0336 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, RICHARD SAKER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FOODARAMA SUPERMARKETS INC. (TICKER: FSM), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,569.

-30- 346
#90320c0337 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, MICHAEL J CHASANOFF, DIR. OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,100.

-30- 345
#90320c0338 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, THOMAS J DIETZ, VP OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,233.

-30- 329
#90320c0339 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, PAUL THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN OF GENERAL AUTOMATION INC. (TICKER: GA), BOUGHT 28,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,550,388.

-30- 335
#90320c0341 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JAMES H RIESENBERG, OFFICER OF GUEST SUPPLY INC. (TICKER: GEST), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.26 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 324
#90320c0342 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, DONALD B DIXON, DIR. OF GUILFORD MILLS INC. (TICKER: GFD), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 306
#90320c0343 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, CAROLYN P BROWER, VP OF GNW FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GNWF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,691.

-30- 313
#90320c0344 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, RICHARD J BURGESS, SHAREHOLDER OF GNW FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GNWF), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,359.

-30- 327
#90320c0345 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, FRANCES I HANSEN, VP OF GNW FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GNWF), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,260.

-30- 308
#90320c0346 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, RAYMOND L SOULE, CHAIRMAN OF GNW FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GNWF), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,340.

-30- 318
#90320c0347 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, RALPH T MCELVENNY JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GOLDEN OIL CO. (DEL) (TICKER: GOCO), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 339
#90320c0349 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, LEO LIEBOWITZ, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GETTY PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: GTY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,118,063.

-30- 369
#90320c0350 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JAMES V NAPIER, DIR. OF HBO & CO. (TICKER: HBOC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,572.

-30- 292
#90320c0351 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, GEORGE L WILLIAMS, DIR. OF CLUB-THEATRE NETWORK INC. (TICKER: HDTV), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $2.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 91,622.

-30- 330
#90320c0352 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, GEORGE L WILLIAMS, DIR. OF CLUB-THEATRE NETWORK INC. (TICKER: HDTV), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,222.

-30- 330
#90320c0353 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ROBERT J PITEL, SHAREHOLDER OF HEI INC. (TICKER: HEII), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,600.

-30- 306
#90320c0354 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90320c0355 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90320c0357 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303

#90320c0358 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90320c0359 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90320c0360 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90320c0361 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $14.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90320c0362 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90320c0363 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,914,800.

-30- 346
#90320c0365 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90320c0366 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0367 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0368 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0369 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0370 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90320c0371 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $14.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90320c0373 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, LIBRA INVEST & TRADE LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,914,800.

-30- 359
#90320c0374 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, GERALD J LEWIS, DIR. OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HENP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0375 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GERALD J LEWIS, DIR. OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HENP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0376 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, GERALD J LEWIS, DIR. OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HENP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0377 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GERALD J LEWIS, DIR. OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HENP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0378 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GERALD J LEWIS, DIR. OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HENP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,900.

-30- 320
#90320c0379 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM A SMELAS, VP OF HORSEHEAD RESOURCE DEV CO. (TICKER: HHRD), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c0381 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DAVID L WHELAN, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c0382 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DAVID L WHELAN, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,281,405.

-30- 340
#90320c0383 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, ROBERT D CARL III, PRES. OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 612,250.

-30- 317
#90320c0384 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, MARC I RAPHAELSON, DIR. OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,500.

-30- 319
#90320c0385 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MICHAEL R SCOTT, VP OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 301
#90320c0386 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROY C TURNER III, DIR. OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,300.

-30- 314
#90320c0387 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ROY C TURNER III, DIR. OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90320c0389 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WILLIAM E WHITESELL, DIR. OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0390 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WILLIAM E WHITESELL, DIR. OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0391 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WILLIAM E WHITESELL, DIR. OF HEALTH IMAGES INC. (TICKER: HIMG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 320
#90320c0392 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, KEVIN DOW, OFFICER OF HEALTH-MOR INC. (TICKER: HMI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 295
#90320c0393 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DONALD J SLEEZER, DIR. OF HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HOMG), SOLD 142,644 SHARES AT $6.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90320c0394 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DONALD J SLEEZER, DIR. OF HOMEOWNERS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HOMG), SOLD 124,258 SHARES AT $6.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90320c0395 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MICHAEL V ROBERTS, DIR. OF HOME SHOPPING NETWORK INC. (TICKER: HSN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c0397 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, MICHAEL V ROBERTS, DIR. OF HOME SHOPPING NETWORK INC. (TICKER: HSN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,800.

-30- 331
#90320c0398 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, MICHAEL V ROBERTS, DIR. OF HOME SHOPPING NETWORK INC. (TICKER: HSN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 334
#90320c0399 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, JAMES P LEHR, VP OF HERITAGE MEDIA CORP. (TICKER: HTG), BOUGHT 1,725 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,725.

-30- 304
#90320c0400 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOHN B SLAUGHTER, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP. (TICKER: IBM), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $106.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 340
#90320c0401 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, HERBERT L LUCAS JR, DIR. OF ARCTIC ALASKA FISHERIES CORP. (TICKER: ICE), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 331
#90320c0402 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MARTIN H RUBY, VP OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 40,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 314,490.

-30- 293
#90320c0403 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MARTIN H RUBY, VP OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT

2,800 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,100.

-30- 292
#90320c0405 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, RICHARD E HEATH, DIR. OF IDEX CORP. (TICKER: IEX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 291
#90320c0406 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, DONALD A LESCH, DIR. OF INDIANA FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: IFSL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,300.

-30- 316
#90320c0407 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, RAMON L HUMKE, DIR. OF INB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INBF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 312
#90320c0408 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, RAYMOND F KENNEDY, DIR. OF INB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INBF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 320
#90320c0409 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, RICHARD J ELKUS JR, CHAIRMAN OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90320c0410 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, RICHARD J ELKUS JR, CHAIRMAN OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90320c0411 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, RICHARD J ELKUS JR, CHAIRMAN OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTS), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $8.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c0413 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RICHARD J ELKUS JR, CHAIRMAN OF INTEGRATED SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: INTS), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $7.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 360,000.

-30- 334
#90320c0414 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0415 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0416 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 318

#90320c0417 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,310 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90320c0418 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90320c0419 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $1.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0421 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 475 SHARES AT $1.53 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0422 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,890 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90320c0423 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 322

#90320c0424 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0425 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90320c0426 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90320c0427 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90320c0429 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90320c0430 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 310

#90320c0431 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90320c0432 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,310 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0433 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0434 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $1.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90320c0435 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0437 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,890 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 314

#90320c0438 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0439 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90320c0440 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0441 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0442 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0443 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,476,317.

-30- 357
#90320c0445 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CLIFFORD V BROKAW III, CHAIRMAN OF IRT CORP. (TICKER: IX), BOUGHT 10,300 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90320c0446 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CLIFFORD V BROKAW III, CHAIRMAN OF IRT CORP. (TICKER: IX), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90320c0447 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, CLIFFORD V BROKAW III, CHAIRMAN OF IRT CORP. (TICKER: IX), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90320c0448 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, CLIFFORD V BROKAW III, CHAIRMAN OF IRT CORP. (TICKER: IX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,600.

-30- 323
#90320c0449 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 5,896 SHARES AT $19.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90320c0450 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 15,800 SHARES AT $19.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c0451 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 47,888 SHARES AT $19.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c0453 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 50,059 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c0454 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, BENNETT E BIDWELL, DIR. OF KERR-MCGEE CORP. (TICKER: KMG), BOUGHT 129 SHARES AT $46.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,263.

-30- 309
#90320c0455 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, RICHARD K LAIRD, PRES. OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90320c0456 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, RICHARD K LAIRD, PRES. OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90320c0457 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, RICHARD K LAIRD, PRES. OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90320c0458 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, RICHARD K LAIRD, PRES. OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90320c0459 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, RICHARD K LAIRD, PRES. OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90320c0461 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, WILLIAM G COMBS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90320c0462 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, WILLIAM G COMBS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90320c0463 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, WILLIAM G COMBS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90320c0464 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM G COMBS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 340
#90320c0465 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, DAVID J FONG, VP OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90320c0466 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LONGS DRUG STORES PROFIT SHS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90320c0467 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PAUL O SCHIRMEYER, DIR. OF LINCOLN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LFIN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,796.

-30- 324
#90320c0469 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LEONARD BOXER, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90320c0470 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, LEONARD BOXER, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90320c0471 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, LEONARD BOXER, DIR. OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,548,912.

-30- 314
#90320c0472 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c0473 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c0474 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0475 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0477 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0478 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0479 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c0480 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0481 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0482 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0483 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0485 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 329
#90320c0486 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c0487 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c0488 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90320c0489 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90320c0490 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90320c0491 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90320c0493 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c0494 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90320c0495 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90320c0496 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90320c0497 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90320c0498 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $24.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90320c0499 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 335
#90320c0501 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, STEPHEN G ROMAN, DIR. OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), SOLD 500,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,009,845.

-30- 332
#90320c0502 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, SAMUEL E BARSHOP, CHAIRMAN OF LA QUINTA MOTOR INNS INC. (TICKER: LQM), SOLD 80,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,807,312.

-30- 341
#90320c0503 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, SHARON S PETERSON, OFFICER OF LAKE SHORE BANCORP INC (TICKER: LSNB), BOUGHT 175 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175.

-30- 329
#90320c0504 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, GARY W GARSON, VP OF LOEWS CORP. (TICKER: LTR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $78.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 284
#90320c0505 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, HERBERT A HOFMAN, VP OF LOEWS CORP. (TICKER: LTR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $81.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 287
#90320c0506 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, RUDOLPH NISI, CHAIRMAN OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90320c0507 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, RUDOLPH NISI, CHAIRMAN OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 22,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c0509 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, RUDOLPH NISI, CHAIRMAN OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 3,398 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90320c0510 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, RUDOLPH NISI, CHAIRMAN OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR), SOLD 65,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,000.

-30- 318
#90320c0511 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JAMES R DUNCAN, CHAIRMAN OF MILASTAR CORP. (TICKER:

MILA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 575,815.

-30- 309
#90320c0512 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 02, 1990, JOHN C CAVALIER, DIR. OF MASS MICROSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MMIC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 157,000.

-30- 325
#90320c0513 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, MICHAEL R NAKONECHNY, DIR. OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c0514 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, MICHAEL R NAKONECHNY, DIR. OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c0515 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, MICHAEL R NAKONECHNY, DIR. OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90320c0517 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, MICHAEL R NAKONECHNY, DIR. OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR), SOLD 8,500 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c0518 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MICHAEL R NAKONECHNY, DIR. OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0519 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, MICHAEL R NAKONECHNY, DIR. OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,900.

-30- 318
#90320c0520 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, R S BULLMORE, OFFICER OF MODINE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: MODI), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,327.

-30- 328
#90320c0521 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, JOHN H KREHBIEL SR, CHAIRMAN OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), BOUGHT 124 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90320c0522 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, JOHN H KREHBIEL SR, CHAIRMAN OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,494,238.

-30- 311
#90320c0523 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JOHN H KREHBIEL SR, CHAIRMAN OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), BOUGHT 131 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90320c0525 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ROBERT W BUHNER, DIR. OF MOORE PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: MORP), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,849.

-30- 299
#90320c0526 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, RICHARD ARONS, DIR. OF MORGAN'S FOODS INC. (TICKER: MR), BOUGHT 308,547 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500,000.

-30- 315
#90320c0527 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, LAWRENCE S DOLIN, DIR. OF MORGAN'S FOODS INC. (TICKER: MR), BOUGHT 250,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 397,500.

-30- 321
#90320c0528 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, BERNARD LERNER, DIR. OF MORGAN'S FOODS INC. (TICKER: MR), BOUGHT 150,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,000.

-30- 316
#90320c0529 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, LEONARD R STEINSAPIR, CHAIRMAN OF MORGAN'S FOODS INC. (TICKER: MR), BOUGHT 205,399 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600,000.

-30- 338
#90320c0530 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, PHILIP FREY JR, CHAIRMAN OF MICROSEMI CORP. (TICKER: MSCC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,375.

-30- 311
#90320c0531 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PHILIP FREY JR, CHAIRMAN OF MICROSEMI CORP. (TICKER: MSCC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 681,722.

-30- 311
#90320c0533 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DAVID V RADLINSKI, VP OF MEDSTONE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MSHK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c0534 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DAVID V RADLINSKI, VP OF MEDSTONE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: MSHK), BOUGHT 820 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,770.

-30- 320
#90320c0535 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, GARY HILLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,339,960.

-30- 331
#90320c0536 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 153,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c0537 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0538 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0539 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0541 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 9,800 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0542 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 215,800 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c0543 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0544 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0545 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 16,700 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0546 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0547 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0549 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0550 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 43,200 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0551 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0552 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,369,600.

-30- 333
#90320c0553 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 153,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c0554 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90320c0555 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90320c0557 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90320c0558 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 9,800 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90320c0559 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 215,800 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c0560 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90320c0561 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90320c0562 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 16,700 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90320c0563 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90320c0565 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 150,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c0566 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90320c0567 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 43,200 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90320c0568 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90320c0569 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,369,600.

-30- 302
#90320c0570 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JAMES R GLYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,617.

-30- 321
#90320c0571 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WARREN F BRECHT, VP OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90320c0573 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, BILL M KNIGHT, VP OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c0574 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BILL M KNIGHT, VP OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0575 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BILL M KNIGHT, VP OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,037.

-30- 328
#90320c0576 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ROBERT F MURPHY, OFFICER OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,680.

-30- 341
#90320c0577 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOHN R MASTANDREA, PRES. OF NDE ENVIRONMENTAL CORP. (TICKER: NDEC), SOLD 14,768 SHARES AT $5.48 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,211,284.

-30- 334
#90320c0578 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90320c0579 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ISAAC ARNOLD JR, DIR. OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,500.

-30- 302
#90320c0581 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOHN A DOHERTY, VP OF NUCOR CORP. (TICKER: NUE), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $63.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 103,357.

-30- 289
#90320c0582 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, LEO J CHAMBERLAIN, DIR. OF OCTEL COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: OCTL), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 335
#90320c0583 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, MICHAEL H LAM, VP OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC. (TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 316

#90320c0584 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, G THURMAN LAURET, VP OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC. (TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 321
#90320c0585 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, FRANKLIN C WADE, CHAIRMAN OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC. (TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90320c0586 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, FRANKLIN C WADE, CHAIRMAN OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC. (TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 75,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90320c0587 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, FRANKLIN C WADE, CHAIRMAN OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC. (TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,409,071.

-30- 334
#90320c0589 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, STONERIDGE RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF ORANGE-CO. (TICKER: OJ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,355,160.

-30- 333
#90320c0590 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, GEORGE R MEILING, OFFICER OF BANC ONE CORP. (TICKER: ONE), SOLD 499 SHARES AT $22.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO

28,875.

-30- 310
#90320c0591 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, RICHARD HOULIHAN, DIR. OF OTRA SECURITIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: OSGI), BOUGHT 4,518 SHARES AT $2.66 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,518.

-30- 333
#90320c0592 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JACOB B LILLESTOL, OFFICER OF OTTER TAIL POWER CO. (TICKER: OTTR), SOLD 150 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90320c0593 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ALBERT GORE, DIR. OF OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: OXY), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,611.

-30- 320
#90320c0594 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ROY H PARK, CHAIRMAN OF PARK COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: PARC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90320c0595 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ROY H PARK, CHAIRMAN OF PARK COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: PARC), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0597 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ROY H PARK, CHAIRMAN OF PARK COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: PARC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90320c0598 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ROY H PARK, CHAIRMAN OF PARK COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: PARC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,400.

-30- 325
#90320c0599 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, DAVID D LUNG, PRES. OF PATRICK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PATK), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c0600 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, DAVID D LUNG, PRES. OF PATRICK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PATK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 302
#90320c0601 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MERVIN D LUNG, CHAIRMAN OF PATRICK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PATK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90320c0602 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MERVIN D LUNG, CHAIRMAN OF PATRICK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PATK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 404,649.

-30- 318

#90320c0603 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, NORMAN J LOUDEN, DIR. OF PROVIDENT BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: PBKS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,050.

-30- 328
#90320c0605 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, REX CROSLAND, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 342
#90320c0606 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, REX CROSLAND, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90320c0607 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, REX CROSLAND, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 340
#90320c0608 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, REX CROSLAND, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PINNACLE ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: PENV), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 743,703.

-30- 379
#90320c0609 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, RICHARD J PRENTISS JR, DIR. OF PRIMEENERGY CORP. (TICKER: PNRG), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c0610 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, RICHARD J PRENTISS JR, DIR. OF PRIMEENERGY CORP. (TICKER: PNRG), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $2.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90320c0611 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, RICHARD J PRENTISS JR, DIR. OF PRIMEENERGY CORP. (TICKER: PNRG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c0613 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, ROBERT K GRAY, CHAIRMAN OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 82,051.

-30- 313
#90320c0614 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, ROBERT F HUSSEY, PRES. OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,215.

-30- 310
#90320c0615 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c0616 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER:

POR), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c0617 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c0618 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c0619 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 6,500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c0621 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c0622 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c0623 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER:

POR), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c0624 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ALBERT FRIED & CO, BEN. OWNER OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 340,781.

-30- 316
#90320c0625 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, POWELL THOMAS W TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 344,860.

-30- 339
#90320c0626 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, POWELL THOMAS W TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL), SOLD 3,850 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,010.

-30- 339
#90320c0627 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ELBERT D STEWART JR, DIR. OF POWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: POWL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 311
#90320c0629 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JACK D FINLEY, DIR. OF QUIPP INC. (TICKER: QUIP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,500.

-30- 293

#90320c0630 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CONRAD J HOIGAARD, DIR. OF RAVEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RAV), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,158.

-30- 314
#90320c0631 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, KARISSIM CORP, BEN. OWNER OF RESEARCH INDUSTRIES CORP. (TICKER: REIC), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 655,000.

-30- 326
#90320c0632 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, DIAN P TAMZIL, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RESEARCH INDUSTRIES CORP. (TICKER: REIC), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 655,000.

-30- 349
#90320c0633 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, KENNETH G ANDERSON, DIR. OF RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: RESR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 98,834.

-30- 305
#90320c0634 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ROBERT L KILIAN, OFFICER OF REYNOLDS & REYNOLDS CO. (TICKER: REY), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90320c0635 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ROBERT L KILIAN, OFFICER OF REYNOLDS & REYNOLDS CO.

(TICKER: REY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 324
#90320c0637 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, THOMAS H POTTS, OFFICER OF RYLAND GROUP INC. (TICKER: RYL), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90320c0638 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, THOMAS H POTTS, OFFICER OF RYLAND GROUP INC. (TICKER: RYL), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90320c0639 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, THOMAS H POTTS, OFFICER OF RYLAND GROUP INC. (TICKER: RYL), SOLD 2,140 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,356.

-30- 311
#90320c0640 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, CHARLES H STRUB II, DIR. OF SANTA ANITA REALTY ENTERPRISES INC. OPERATING CO. (TICKER: SAR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,662.

-30- 364
#90320c0641 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, HAROLD L KESTENBAUM, DIR. OF SBARRO INC. (TICKER: SBA), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90320c0642 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, NORWOOD H DAVIS JR, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 2,040 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c0643 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, NORWOOD H DAVIS JR, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,474.

-30- 316
#90320c0645 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, WILLIAM L CARPENTER, DIR. OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,700.

-30- 337
#90320c0646 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 16, 1990, WILLIAM L CARPENTER, DIR. OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,700.

-30- 341
#90320c0647 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90320c0648 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90320c0649 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 210,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 341
#90320c0650 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90320c0651 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90320c0653 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $16.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90320c0654 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 338

#90320c0655 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90320c0656 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90320c0657 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90320c0658 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 336
#90320c0659 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $16.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90320c0661 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DANIEL S BAGLEY III, DIR. OF SEAHAWK DEEP OCEAN TECHN INC. (TICKER: SDOT), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,695,000.

-30- 344
#90320c0662 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, MICHAEL S SPOLANE, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SEC), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $1.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 280,050.

-30- 340
#90320c0663 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c0664 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c0665 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90320c0666 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c0667 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90320c0669 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c0670 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ROBERT M COCHRAN, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 168,426.

-30- 331
#90320c0671 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c0672 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c0673 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290

#90320c0674 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c0675 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, DEWAYNE R VONFELDT, CHAIRMAN OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), SOLD 27,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 166,898.

-30- 334
#90320c0677 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, FELDMAN LAWRENCE TTEE, TTEE OF SHARPER IMAGE CORP. (TICKER: SHRP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 332
#90320c0678 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, M CARR GIBSON, SHAREHOLDER OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90320c0679 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, M CARR GIBSON, SHAREHOLDER OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,302.

-30- 341
#90320c0680 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, MILTON MALTZ, DIR. OF SOCIETY CORP. (TICKER: SOCI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $26.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90320c0681 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MILTON MALTZ, DIR. OF SOCIETY CORP. (TICKER: SOCI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,597.

-30- 291
#90320c0682 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, STEVEN A MINTER, DIR. OF SOCIETY CORP. (TICKER: SOCI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 450.

-30- 295
#90320c0683 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, KENNETH JAMES, DIR. OF ST. PAUL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SPBC), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,622.

-30- 317
#90320c0685 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, FRANK P PEKNY, VP OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 305
#90320c0686 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, HENRY T SEGERSTROM, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,288.

-30- 330
#90320c0687 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOSEPH ANDRULES, VP OF SPEC'S MUSIC INC. (TICKER: SPEK), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 304
#90320c0688 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PETER BLEI, VP OF SPEC'S MUSIC INC. (TICKER: SPEK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,124.

-30- 296
#90320c0689 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, VICKI CARMICHAEL, VP OF SPEC'S MUSIC INC. (TICKER: SPEK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,300.

-30- 310
#90320c0690 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JURIS VIKMANIS, VP OF SQUARE D CO. (TICKER: SQD), SOLD 240 SHARES AT $44.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,125.

-30- 290
#90320c0691 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JEFFREY P JORISSEN, OFFICER OF STONERIDGE RESOURCE INC. (TICKER: SRE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,875.

-30- 331
#90320c0693 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, SUMMIT RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF STONERIDGE RESOURCE INC. (TICKER: SRE), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,214,731.

-30- 346

#90320c0694 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, GEORGE F VALASSIS, DIR. OF STONERIDGE RESOURCE INC. (TICKER: SRE), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,311,023.

-30- 329
#90320c0695 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, MICHAEL T KELLY, DIV. OFFICER OF ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: STJM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 328
#90320c0696 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, LAWRENCE A LEHMKUHL, PRES. OF ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: STJM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c0697 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, LAWRENCE A LEHMKUHL, PRES. OF ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: STJM), SOLD 4,308 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 97,420.

-30- 327
#90320c0698 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, AVERY J STONE, DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 516,474.

-30- 317
#90320c0699 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MARK C MASUR, SHAREHOLDER OF STOR FURNISHINGS INTL INC.

(TICKER: STOR), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $2.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 453,552.

-30- 343
#90320c0701 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, INTERVEN II LP, BEN. OWNER OF SUNWARD TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SUNT), BOUGHT 99,500 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90320c0702 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, INTERVEN II LP, BEN. OWNER OF SUNWARD TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SUNT), BOUGHT 740,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,336,519.

-30- 349
#90320c0703 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JAY S SIDHU, PRES. OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,475.

-30- 320
#90320c0704 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, HERSCHEL C WINN, VP OF TANDY CORP. (TICKER: TAN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90320c0705 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, EDWARD B MARKS, DIR. OF T/SF COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: TCM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90320c0706 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, EDWARD B MARKS, DIR. OF T/SF COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: TCM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90320c0707 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, EDWARD B MARKS, DIR. OF T/SF COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: TCM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,400.

-30- 326
#90320c0709 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:00 that trade in Pennsylvania Enterprises Inc.(NASDAQ: PENT) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 39. The company is located in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

-30- 372
#90320c0710 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90320c0711 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90320c0712 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90320c0713 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90320c0714 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90320c0715 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90320c0717 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90320c0718 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90320c0719 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90320c0720 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90320c0721 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 10,900 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90320c0722 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90320c0723 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,314,522.

-30- 364
#90320c0725 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 14, 1988, HARRIS R FENDER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90320c0726 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1988, HARRIS R FENDER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313

#90320c0727 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1988, HARRIS R FENDER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90320c0728 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 20, 1988, HARRIS R FENDER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90320c0729 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 21, 1988, HARRIS R FENDER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,855,845.

-30- 360
#90320c0730 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1988, HARRIS R FENDER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90320c0731 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 13, 1988, HARRIS R FENDER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90320c0733 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 17, 1988, HARRIS R FENDER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,682,881.

-30- 356
#90320c0734 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, HERBERT J HURWITZ, DIR. OF THE IMAGE BANK INC. (TICKER: TIBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c0735 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, HERBERT J HURWITZ, DIR. OF THE IMAGE BANK INC. (TICKER: TIBI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c0736 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, HERBERT J HURWITZ, DIR. OF THE IMAGE BANK INC. (TICKER: TIBI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c0737 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, HERBERT J HURWITZ, DIR. OF THE IMAGE BANK INC. (TICKER: TIBI), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90320c0738 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, HERBERT J HURWITZ, DIR. OF THE IMAGE BANK INC. (TICKER: TIBI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c0739 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, HERBERT J HURWITZ, DIR. OF THE IMAGE BANK INC. (TICKER: TIBI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c0741 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, DAVID H FINE, VP OF THERMEDICS INC. (TICKER: TMD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90320c0742 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DAVID H FINE, VP OF THERMEDICS INC. (TICKER: TMD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90320c0743 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ROY P HIBYAN, OFFICER OF THE ONE BANCORP. (TICKER: TONE), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,880.

-30- 306
#90320c0744 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, WILLIAM B LITTLE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE TOPPS COMPANY INC. (TICKER: TOPP), BOUGHT 22,779 SHARES AT $10.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90320c0745 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WILLIAM B LITTLE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE TOPPS COMPANY INC. (TICKER: TOPP), BOUGHT 11,389 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90320c0746 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WILLIAM B LITTLE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE TOPPS COMPANY INC. (TICKER: TOPP), BOUGHT 20,182 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90320c0747 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, WILLIAM B LITTLE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE TOPPS COMPANY INC. (TICKER: TOPP), BOUGHT 18,223 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,348,081.

-30- 349
#90320c0749 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOHN A SPRAGUE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE TOPPS COMPANY INC. (TICKER: TOPP), BOUGHT 6,834 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90320c0750 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JOHN A SPRAGUE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE TOPPS COMPANY INC. (TICKER: TOPP), BOUGHT 12,109 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90320c0751 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JOHN A SPRAGUE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE TOPPS COMPANY INC. (TICKER: TOPP), BOUGHT 10,934 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,348,081.

-30- 348
#90320c0752 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, HOWARD W MOORE, DIR. OF TOYS 'R' US INC. (TICKER: TOY), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90320c0753 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, HOWARD W MOORE, DIR. OF TOYS 'R' US INC. (TICKER: TOY),

SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90320c0754 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, HOWARD W MOORE, DIR. OF TOYS 'R' US INC. (TICKER: TOY), SOLD 21,100 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90320c0755 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, DAVID C WALENTAS, CHAIRMAN OF BUILDERS TRANSPORT INC. (TICKER: TRUK), BOUGHT 14,500 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 652,600.

-30- 338
#90320c0757 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOHN M FRANCK, PRES. OF TULTEX CORP. (TICKER: TTX), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,532.

-30- 300
#90320c0758 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, SPECTRUM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: TXCO), SOLD 227,273 SHARES AT $0.11 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,020,778.

-30- 342
#90320c0759 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, FRED A VIERRA, PRES. OF UNITED ARTISTS ENTERTAINMENT CO. (TICKER: UAEC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90320c0760 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, FRED A VIERRA, PRES. OF UNITED ARTISTS ENTERTAINMENT CO. (TICKER: UAEC), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90320c0761 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, FRED A VIERRA, PRES. OF UNITED ARTISTS ENTERTAINMENT CO. (TICKER: UAEC), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 136,174.

-30- 342
#90320c0762 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, LUCILE C LANTZ, PRES. OF UNIONFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UFF), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 326
#90320c0763 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ROBERT E DILTON, DIR. OF UNUM CORP. (TICKER: UNM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $42.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90320c0765 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, LARRY L LINDSAY, DIR. OF UNSL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UNSL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c0766 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, LARRY L LINDSAY, DIR. OF UNSL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UNSL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,200.

-30- 318
#90320c0767 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ROBERT L RIDGLEY, DIR. OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 314
#90320c0768 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, LOUIS LOMBARDI JR, OFFICER OF USLIFE CORP. (TICKER: USH), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $29.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90320c0769 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, LOUIS LOMBARDI JR, OFFICER OF USLIFE CORP. (TICKER: USH), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90320c0770 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, BANNUS B HUDSON, PRES. OF THE U.S. SHOE CORP. (TICKER: USR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,858.

-30- 312
#90320c0771 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ZANVYL KRIEGER, DIR. OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 363,652.

-30- 317
#90320c0773 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOSEPH C SCHERPF, VP OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER:

USS), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $52.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90320c0774 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOSEPH C SCHERPF, VP OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 3,100 SHARES AT $53.57 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90320c0775 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOSEPH C SCHERPF, VP OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $53.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90320c0776 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOSEPH C SCHERPF, VP OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $54.07 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90320c0777 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOSEPH C SCHERPF, VP OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 13,800 SHARES AT $51.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90320c0778 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOSEPH C SCHERPF, VP OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $52.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90320c0779 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOSEPH C SCHERPF, VP OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER:

USS), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $52.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,030.

-30- 305
#90320c0781 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, RICHARD L BARRETT, DIR. OF GO VIDEO INC. (TICKER: VCR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,000.

-30- 303
#90320c0782 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JAMES G BAKER JR, VP OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 312
#90320c0783 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, MICHAEL T DUKE, VP OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 304
#90320c0784 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, MICHAEL T DUKE, VP OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150.

-30- 300
#90320c0785 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JAMES L HOWARD, VP OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 300
#90320c0786 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, DAVID C LAPEE, VP OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 305
#90320c0787 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JAMES R MILLER, VP OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,600.

-30- 306
#90320c0789 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JEFFREY A ROSENBLUM, VP OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c0790 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JEFFREY A ROSENBLUM, VP OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c0791 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JEFFREY A ROSENBLUM, VP OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c0792 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JEFFREY A ROSENBLUM, VP OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,200.

-30- 320
#90320c0793 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, H EDWIN TRUSHEIM, DIR. OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90320c0794 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, H EDWIN TRUSHEIM, DIR. OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 309
#90320c0795 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, KEITH B GEESLIN, DIR. OF VERIFONE INC. (TICKER: VFIC), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 302
#90320c0797 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, CHUGAI BOYEKI (AMERICA) CORP, BEN. OWNER OF VICON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: VII), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90320c0798 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, CHUGAI BOYEKI (AMERICA) CORP, BEN. OWNER OF VICON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: VII), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90320c0799 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, CHUGAI BOYEKI (AMERICA) CORP, BEN. OWNER OF VICON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: VII), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90320c0800 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CHUGAI BOYEKI (AMERICA) CORP, BEN. OWNER OF VICON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: VII), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 329,815.

-30- 345
#90320c0801 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, MICHAEL J YOST, OFFICER OF VITALINK COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: VITA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c0802 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MICHAEL J YOST, OFFICER OF VITALINK COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: VITA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c0803 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, MICHAEL J YOST, OFFICER OF VITALINK COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: VITA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,048.

-30- 337
#90320c0805 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, WILLIAM J GRAYSON JR, OFFICER OF VULCAN MATERIALS CO. (TICKER: VMC), BOUGHT 9,800 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,620.

-30- 333
#90320c0806 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ACADIA PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 43,100 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,111,662.

-30- 343
#90320c0807 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, DAVID BONDERMAN, DIR. OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 43,100 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,887,144.

-30- 324
#90320c0808 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, PETER T JOSEPH, DIR. OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 43,100 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,111,662.

-30- 322
#90320c0809 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, GORDON W MORAN, DIR. OF WATTS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WATT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 299
#90320c0810 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, GARY J FERNANDES, DIR. OF WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: WCTV), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c0811 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GARY J FERNANDES, DIR. OF WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: WCTV), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,000.

-30- 338
#90320c0813 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, GERALD H TIMMERMAN, DIR. OF WERNER ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: WERN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 325
#90320c0814 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, KENNETH J WHALEN, DIR. OF WHIRLPOOL CORP. (TICKER: WHR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,900.

-30- 300
#90320c0815 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, RAYMOND F OBRIEN, DIR. OF WATKINS-JOHNSON CO. (TICKER: WJ), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 310
#90320c0816 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF WOLF FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: WOFG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 432,243.

-30- 340
#90320c0817 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, A DAN PHILLIPS, DIR. OF WORTHEN BANKING CORP. (TICKER: WOR), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c0818 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, A DAN PHILLIPS, DIR. OF WORTHEN BANKING CORP. (TICKER: WOR), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 317

#90320c0819 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CHARLES V CUSIMANO, DIR. OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90320c0821 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, CHARLES V CUSIMANO, DIR. OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,000.

-30- 330
#90320c0822 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, STRATON C PODARAS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90320c0823 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, STRATON C PODARAS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90320c0824 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, STRATON C PODARAS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WICHITA RIVER OIL CORP. (TICKER: WRO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 263,123.

-30- 349
#90320c0825 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, ALDEN WESTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EXCEL BANCORP INC. QUINCY (MA) (TICKER: XCEL), BOUGHT 285 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 348
#90320c0826 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, CHAIRMAN OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90320c0827 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, CHAIRMAN OF XTRA CORP. (TICKER: XTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90320c0829 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - In Focus Systems Inc. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 1.6 million shares of its common stock with an additional 514,400 shares being offered by selling shareholders of the company.

The initial public offering price is expected to range between $7.50 and $8.50 per share.

Bear Stearns & Co. (TICKER: BSC) and Hambrecht & Quist are managing the offering.

In Focus develops, manufactures and markets products using proprietary flat panel liquid crystal display technology to present output from personal computers.

The company's executive office is located at 7770 S.W. Mohawk Street, Tualatin Oregon 97062 and its telephone number is (503) 692-4968.

-30- 910
#90320c0830 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - Citation Insurance Group filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 1.75 million shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is expected to range between $9.50 and $11.50 per share.

Kidder Peabody and Bateman Eichler Hill Richards are managing the offering.

Citation Insurance is a holding company principally engaged in writing workers' compensation insurance in the State of California through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Citation Insurance Co.

The company's executive office is located at 3031 Tisch Way, San Jose, California 95128 and its telephone number is (408) 984-0222.

-30- 834

#90320c0831 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - Eclipse International Inc. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer up to 40,000 units. Each unit consists of one share of common stock and two warrants.

Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $20.00 per share during the two year period commencing on the date of this prospectus.

The initial public offering price is $10.00 per unit.

Venture Trading Inc. is underwriting the offering.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 350 Ward Ave., Suite 106-315, Honolulu, Hawaii 96814 and its telephone number is (808) 533-7778.

-30- 946

#90320c0832 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - First Cash Inc. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 850,000 units. Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one common stock purchase warrant.

The initial public offering price is expected to be $5.00 per unit.

First Cash opreates pawnshops which make small, short-term consumer loans secured by tangible personal property.

The company's executive office is located at 2300 N. Main, Fort Worth, Texas 76106 and its telephone number is (817) 625-2274.

-30- 696

#90320c0833 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - Kingston Capital Corp. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 595,000 units with an additional 30,000 units being offered by certain shareholders of the company.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one callable Class A purchase warrant. The Class A warrants will be detachable from the units and may be traded separately in the over-the-counter market immediately upon issuance.

The initial public offering price is $1.00 per unit.

Richfield Securities Inc. is underwriting the offering.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

Kingston's executive office is located at 8301 E. Prentice Ave., No. 303, Englewood, Colorado 80111 and its telephone number is (303) 796-7333.

-30- 1024

#90320c0834 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - Southwest Florida Banks Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer up to 700,000 shares of its common stock at a price of $10.00 per share.

Southwest Florida Banks Inc. is a proposed bank holding company for Southwest Florida Bank, N.A. (in organization).

Southwest Florida's executive office is located at 1601 West Marion Ave., Suite 203, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950 and its telephone number is (813) 639-8800.

-30- 646

#90320c0837 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Raytech Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$26,758,000	$24,804,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(528,000)	$623,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$0.09

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$77,105,000	$75,892,000
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$(16,180,000)	$(22,571,000)

-30- 964

#90320c0839 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Intercontinental Life Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$43,335,000	$45,221,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,205,000	$4,036,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.47	$0.76
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,104,000	4,440,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,347,878,000	$1,382,482,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$37,225,000	$29,314,000

-30- 1060

#90320c0840 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Financial Industries Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$595,413	$27,884
EQUITY IN NET EARNINGS OF		

UNCONSOLIDATED AFFILIATE	$1,228,583	$1,671,544
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,655,826	$1,368,384
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.53	$1.26
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,085,593	1,085,593

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$20,661,497	$16,312,397
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,882,855	$14,374,750

-30- 1025

#90320c0841 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Charlie O Company Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$91,777	$52,742
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(123,164)	$(198,920)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,629,615	$3,706,344
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,071,640	$1,420,976

The company's executive office is located at 606-2525 N.W. Expressway, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112.

-30- 1078

#90320c0842 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by SBT Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,095,728)	$105,503
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.14)	$0.11
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	961,682	974,854

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$94,052,734	$103,863,022
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,349,966	$8,170,326

-30- 827

#90320c0843 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Graphic Scanning Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$26,531,000	$21,554,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,528,000	$(5,260,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$(0.16)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	32,382,000	$32,324,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$144,910,000	$142,534,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$546,000	$(1,096,000)

-30- 1056

#90320c0844 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Original Italian Pasta Products Co. Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

1990 1989

REVENUES $1,334,000 $1,118,000 EXTRAORDINARY
GAIN (LOSS) $0.00 $0.00 DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS
$0.00 $0.00 NET INCOME (LOSS) $(221,000)
$(248,000) NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE $(0.15) $(0.17)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING 1,446,000 1,446,000

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990 June 30, 1990 TOTAL ASSETS
$2,335,000 $2,680,000 TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY $(997,000)
$(776,000)

-30- 957
#90320c0845 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Vestro Foods Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,786,000	$4,114,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(116,000)	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$24,000	$(7,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$22,130,000	$23,211,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,691,000	$14,184,000

-30- 960
#90320c0847 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Alta Energy Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989

REVENUES	$2,135,334	$1,135,178
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$108,854	$(415,001)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.08)

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$20,473,098	$19,124,789
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,909,325	$4,800,471

-30- 928

#90320c0848 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - Clinical Homes - Wts (CLHCW) was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 15 due to insufficient No. of active market makers.

Cheshire Financial Corp. (CFNH) was deleted from NASDAQ effective Nov. 14. It is now listed on AMEX.

-30- 382

#90320c0849 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Met Capital Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,198,930	$448,781
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$65,136	$(554,792)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,821,598	$9,328,070
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$745,401	$401,557

-30- 962
#90320c0850 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 15:

American Bionetics Inc. (AMBI) to (AMBIQ)
Schield Management Co. (SMCCC) to (SMCC)

-30- 312
#90320c0851 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Calton Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CN. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

-30- 333
#90320c0852 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Washington Trust Bancorp Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$709,128	$1,442,446
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.39	$0.79

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$437,530,252	$409,027,782
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$34,991,163	$33,727,766

-30- 795
#90320c0853 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Kimco Energy Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989

REVENUES	$67,917	$123,219
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(117,567)	$(323,552)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.16)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,058,612	2,058,894

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,410,189	$1,537,350
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$627,963	$745,531

-30- 1023

#90320c0855 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Restaurant Hotline Systems Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,500	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(120,010)	$(93,437)

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,526,546	$1,309,406
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$454,863	$882,867

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise incorporated in January, 1986 for the purpose of operating a computerized telephone restaurant hotline business. It has not generated any material revenues to date. Its executive address is 575 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10022, and its telephone number is (212) 838-8764.

-30- 1220

#90320c0856 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Lasermaster Technologies Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$11,238,377	$3,083,633
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(477,137)	$(273,035)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,793,148	7,998,932

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$22,668,312	$19,029,826
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,950,119	$8,427,256

-30- 1053

#90320c0857 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by ICC Technologies Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$702,565	$143,321
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(642,431)	$(798,734)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.14)	$(0.53)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,756,764	1,519,128

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,621,470	$2,486,679
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(412,062)	$(93,935)

-30- 1038

#90320c0858 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Dynatec International Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,435,462	$1,306,938
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$35,804	$133,848
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.08

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,725,510	$2,201,569
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,044,210	$596,050

-30- 981

#90320c0859 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Dominguez Services Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,805,803	$5,664,026
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$448,147	$516,599
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.45	$0.51
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	998,370	998,370

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$38,342,281	$36,512,830
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$744,957	$848,167

-30- 1041

#90320c0860 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Telequest Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,402,000	$1,437,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(479,000)	$(354,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	23,293,000	4,293,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,286,000	$4,285,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(809,000)	$494,000

-30- 1020
#90320c0861 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Empire State Life Insurance Co.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$262,157	$652,908
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(427,916)	$(332,634)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.26)	$(0.20)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,663,421	1,663,421

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$21,684,636	$22,439,599
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,796,509	$3,487,645

-30- 1061
#90320c0863 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Tigera Group Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(137,000)	$(38,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	21,086,000	20,974,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,433,000	$21,023,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,813,000	$18,369,000

The company reports it continues to seek candidates for acquisition and is engaged in the identification and evaluation of a number of opportunities. The company's goal is to acquire one or more companies during 1990. In March, 1989 it purchased a 35% minority interest in Cinexus Capital Corp. Cinexus' consolidated revenues for the year ended March 31, 1990 and the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were significantly below original projections. Tigera's executive address is 20 West 55th Street, New York, NY 10019, and its telephone number is (212) 246-3620.

-30- 1604
#90320c0864 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:05 that trade in Pennsylvania Enterprises Inc.(NASDAQ: PENT) has been resumed. The first sale was 39; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 364
#90320c0865 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Xsirius Superconductivity Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$80,000	$155,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(615,000)	$(268,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,707,779	7,703,579

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,274,000	$5,172,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,044,000	$4,979,000

-30- 1061

#90320c0866 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by National Capital Management Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$396,572	$334,894
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$31,318	$(34,353)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$22,989,222	$23,051,833
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,559,347	$15,494,754

-30- 979

#90320c0867 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Franklin Capital Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$13,752	$33,535
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$155,688	$(351,589)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$93,355	$(396,134)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$(0.36)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,159,179	1,159,443

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,271,362	$3,150,615
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(875,608)	$(720,827)

-30- 1042

#90320c0868 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Dawn Capital Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$945,797	$1,029,167
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(71,087)	$(38,194)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,045,000	7,045,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,180,335	$3,192,019
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,204,589	$1,095,384

-30- 1036

#90320c0869 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Datronic Rental Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,627,147	$6,710,243
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$160,624	$125,651
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.13	$0.10
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,249,012	1,249,012

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$14,467,885	$22,182,951
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,285,740	$4,670,501

-30- 1039

#90320c0871 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Brookfield Bancshares Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$324,216	$477,331
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.67	$0.99
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	483,521	481,478

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$271,428,463	$279,768,628
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,791,158	$15,908,521

-30- 820

#90320c0872 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cornucopia Resources Ltd.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$99,460	$56,225
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(468,572)	$(60,005)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	19,370,540	$18,188,040

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$14,682,670	$8,806,969
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,930,839	$8,741,785

-30- 1003

#90320c0873 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sigma-Aldrich Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$133,265,000	$115,888,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$17,977,000	$16,383,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.72	$0.66
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	24,814,000	24,748,000

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$525,429,000	$472,424,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$352,453,000	$298,851,000

-30- 990

#90320c0874 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Retailing Corp. of America.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$24,121,000	$26,839,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(4,775,000)	$(10,146,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.53)	$(3.25)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,124,975	3,124,975

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$39,068,000	$44,273,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(4,169,000)	$(10,000)

-30- 1077

#90320c0875 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Schield Management Co.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,006,000	$522,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$13,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(301,000)	$48,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.28)	$0.05
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,092,000	965,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,384,000	$4,650,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$175,000	$323,000

-30- 1116

#90320c0876 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pinnacle Financial Services Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,008,000	$871,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.05	$1.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	955,476,000	814,366

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$316,883,000	$231,058,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$24,744,000	$23,161,000

-30- 943

#90320c0877 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pool Energy Services Co.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$56,564,000	$48,421,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$99,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,647,000	$(472,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	$0.14
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	13,500,610	13,500,610

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$206,040,000	$216,975,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$132,163,000	$130,568,000

-30- 1067

#90320c0879 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Fafco Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,635,000	$1,899,500
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(65,700)	$83,700
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,042,919	2,915,311

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,939,700	$2,572,600
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$573,100	$206,500

-30- 936

#90320c0880 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:30 that trade in Jack Carl 312 Futures Inc.(NASDAQ: FUTR) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 3/32, 1/8. The company is located in Chicago, Illinois.

-30- 369

#90320c0881 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:35 that trade in Jack Carl 312 Futures Inc.(NASDAQ: FUTR) has been resumed. The first bid was 3/32; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 358

#90320c0895 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Columbia Hospital Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

1990 1989

REVENUES	$73,552,000	$35,268,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,944,000	$1,973,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$0.04

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$305,324,000	$137,789,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$39,732,000	$6,295,000

-30- 872

#90320c0896 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Dime Financial Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

1990	1989	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,382,000	$1,828,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.27	$0.34
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,199,150	5,366,141

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$810,413,000	$780,426,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$87,768,000	$88,926,000

-30- 748

#90320c0897 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mercantile Bancorporation Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

1990	1989	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$15,036,000	$(26,367,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.93	$(1.63)

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	16,242,379	16,151,355

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,272,630,000	$6,736,604,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$429,263,000	$401,832,000

-30- 781

#90320c0913 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 16) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:19 that trade in Petroleum Development Corp.(NASDAQ: PETD) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 21/32. The company is located in Bridgeport, West Virginia.

-30- 370

#90320c0938 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - CHRIS A GRAFFT OF 1730 FOX DRIVE, SAN JOSE, CA 95131, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 408 441-2200)

-30- 445

#90320c0939 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - BURTON C JENSEN OF 1265 DRUMMERS LN STE 108, WAYNE, PA 19087, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 688-1322)

-30- 452

#90320c0940 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - JAN A PRAISNER OF 1730 FOX DRIVE, SAN JOSE, CA 95131, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 408 441-2200)

-30- 447
#90320c0941 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAINEWEBBER INTL BANK LTD OF 5200 GREAT AMERICA PKWY, P O BOX 58017, SANTA CLARA, CA 95052, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF MASSTOR SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: MSCO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(MASSTOR SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 408 988-1008)

-30- 466
#90320c0942 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL K GOLDMAN OF 9 FARM HAVEN COURT, ROCKVILLE, MD 20852, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. TEL: 703 934-3000)

-30- 442
#90320c0943 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL G HAWKEN OF 25 CORTE MADERA, 0, MILL VALLEY, CA 94941, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF CHALONE INC. (TICKER: CHLN) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(CHALONE INC. TEL: 415 546-7755)

-30- 399
#90320c0944 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL R NAKONECHNY OF P O BOX 477, VALLEY FORGE, PA 19481, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(MENTOR CORP. (MN) TEL: 805 967-3451)

-30- 415
#90320c0946 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT W BOGART OF 3052 ORCHARD DR, SAN JOSE, CA 95134, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(LASERSCOPE TEL: 408 943-0636)

-30- 396
#90320c0947 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAY T PARFET JR OF 5228 SHEFFIELD ROAD, HICKORY CORNERS, MI 49060, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF THE UPJOHN CO. (TICKER: UPJ) THROUGH WILLIAM RONEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(THE UPJOHN CO. TEL: 616 323-4000)

-30- 408
#90320c0948 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARSHALL BANETT INC MP PLAN OF 1601 EAST CHESTNUT AVE, P O BOX 22008, SANTA ANA, CA 92701, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF BE AVIONICS INC. (TICKER: BEAV) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(BE AVIONICS INC. TEL: 714 835-6575)

-30- 454
#90320c0949 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - UZI ZUCKER OF 245 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10167, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. TEL: 212 272-2000)

-30- 428
#90320c0950 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHYLLIS C B INDA OF 1700 EAST BRADLEY, SHAWNEE, OK 74801, HAS FILED TO

SELL 265,031 SHARES OF BARTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BART) THROUGH WILLIAM K WOODRUFF. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(BARTON INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 405 273-7660)

-30- 417
#90320c0951 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SYMONDS TRUST CO LTD OF 2040 NORTH LOOP WEST #200, HOUSTON, TX 77018, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,800 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

-30- 444
#90320c0952 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 455
#90320c0954 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL B ROSENBERG OF 95 WARREN RD, FRAMINGHAM, MA 01701, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF TECH/OPS LANDAUER INC. (TICKER: TO) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(TECH/OPS LANDAUER INC. TEL: 617 523-2030)

-30- 428
#90320c0955 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALDEN VENTURE OF 750 BATTERY ST, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,630 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 395
#90320c0956 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT W BURNETT OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 406
#90320c0957 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MIKE A MYERS OF 6310 LEMMON AVE, SUITE 200, DALLAS, TX 75209, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,000 SHARES OF CRSS INC. (TICKER: CRX) THROUGH MABON NUGENT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(CRSS INC. TEL: 713 552-2353)

-30- 389
#90320c0958 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FINIS CONNER OF P O BOX S-3115, CARMEL, CA 93921, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 433-3340)

-30- 425
#90320c0959 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD L STONER OF 6014 EAST MERCER WAY, MERCER ISLAND, WA 98040, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. TEL: 206 881-7544)

-30- 441

#90320c0960 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RODGER B DOWDELL OF 180 LEGEND ROCK RD, WAKEFIELD, RI 02879, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. TEL: 401 789-5735)

-30- 454
#90320c0962 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOEL B ALVORD OF 86 CHESTNUT HILL ROAD, GLASTONBURY, CT 06033, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF HARTFORD STEAM BOILER INSPECT & (TICKER: HSB) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(HARTFORD STEAM BOILER INSPECT & TEL: 203 722-1866)

-30- 460
#90320c0963 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOEL B ALVORD OF 86 CHESTNUT HILL RD, GLASTONBURY, CT 06033, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,629 SHARES OF SHAWMUT NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SNC) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(SHAWMUT NATIONAL CORP. TEL: 203 728-2000)

-30- 425
#90320c0964 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD J GARDNER OF 191 A MAIN ST, NEW CANAAN, CT 06840, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. (TICKER: FBO) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. TEL: 212 563-2222)

-30- 433
#90320c0965 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS MANIATIS OF 87 CAMBRIDGE PK DR, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02140, HAS FILED TO

SELL 10,000 SHARES OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. TEL: 617 876-1170)

-30- 432
#90320c0966 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL E TENNENBAUM OF 1800 CENTURY PARK EAST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90067, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF TOSCO CORP. (TICKER: TOS) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(TOSCO CORP. TEL: 213 207-6000)

-30- 409
#90320c0967 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JUAN A RODRIGUEZ OF 4517 NAVAJO PLACE, BOULDER, CO 80303, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(EXABYTE CORP. TEL: 303 442-4333)

-30- 404
#90320c0968 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUCE L BUSBY OF 2700 COLORADO AVE, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: NME) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC TEL: 213 315-8000)

-30- 443
#90320c0970 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - & YOUNG ERNST OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,600 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 407
#90320c0971 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - & YOUNG ERNST OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 41,400 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 409
#90320c0972 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LORNE R WAXLAX OF FISHER HILL ESTATES, 543 BOYLSTON ST, BOSTON, MA 02146 HAS FILED TO SELL 12,400 SHARES OF THE GILLETTE CO. (TICKER: GS) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(THE GILLETTE CO. TEL: 617 421-7000)

-30- 421
#90320c0973 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERWEST PARTNERS II OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG #3, SUITE 255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 42,200 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

-30- 466
#90320c0974 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERWEST PARTNERS I OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG #3, SUITE 255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,100 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

-30- 464
#90320c0975 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRY A MERLO OF 111 SW 5TH AVE, PORTLAND, OR 97204, HAS FILED TO SELL 96,627 SHARES OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. TEL: 503 681-0118)

-30- 435
#90320c0976 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD J EGAN OF 171 SOUTH ST, 0, HOPKINTON, MA 01748, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF EMC CORP. (MA) (TICKER: EMC) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(EMC CORP. (MA) TEL: 508 435-1000)

-30- 391
#90320c0978 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD J EGAN OF 171 SOUTH ST, 0, HOPKINTON, MA 01748, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF EMC CORP. (MA) (TICKER: EMC) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(EMC CORP. (MA) TEL: 508 435-1000)

-30- 391
#90320c0979 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S WEST MASTER TRUST OF 9785 MAROON CIRCLE, 0, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,487 SHARES OF STAPLES INC. (TICKER: SPLS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(STAPLES INC. TEL: 617 969-3901)

-30- 415
#90320c0980 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAATSCHAPPIJ VOOR IND PROJECTEN OF 244 GREAT VALLEY PKWY, MALVERN, PA 19355, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF CENTOCOR INC. (TICKER: CNTO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(CENTOCOR INC. TEL: 215 296-4488)

-30- 438
#90320c1040 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JAMES E REYNOLDS, OFFICER OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90320c1041 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JAMES E REYNOLDS, OFFICER OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,900.

-30- 311
#90320c1042 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN C KANE, VP OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES (TICKER: ABT), SOLD 9,200 SHARES AT $40.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,888.

-30- 307
#90320c1043 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, DAVID B PRATT, DIV. OFFICER OF ADOBE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ADBE), SOLD 2,567 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,732.

-30- 326
#90320c1045 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, FORETAGEN A B FFV, BEN. OWNER OF AERO SYSTEMS ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: AERS), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,041,782.

-30- 352
#90320c1046 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, J DOUGLAS BROOKS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADVANCED ENVIRONMENTAL RECYCLING TECH INC. (TICKER: AERT), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 413
#90320c1047 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90320c1048 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90320c1049 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90320c1050 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90320c1051 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

272,973.

-30- 310
#90320c1053 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 223,940.

-30- 312
#90320c1054 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, DANA C DITMORE, VP OF APPLIED MATERIALS INC. (TICKER: AMAT), SOLD 8,667 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 649.

-30- 313
#90320c1055 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, IAN L PYKETT, DIR. OF ADVANCED NMR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ANMR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c1056 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, IAN L PYKETT, DIR. OF ADVANCED NMR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ANMR), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90320c1057 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, IAN L PYKETT, DIR. OF ADVANCED NMR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ANMR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90320c1058 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, IAN L PYKETT, DIR. OF ADVANCED NMR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ANMR), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 923,834.

-30- 326
#90320c1059 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, VICTOR M ROSENZWEIG, DIR. OF AMERICAN PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: APFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 328
#90320c1061 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOHN A CHMURA, VP OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,473.

-30- 292
#90320c1062 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90320c1063 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90320c1064 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90320c1065 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, KENNETH C MEINKEN JR, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 308
#90320c1066 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, CLIFFORD H TUTTLE JR, CHAIRMAN OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,148.

-30- 315
#90320c1067 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ROBERT A COHAN, OFFICER OF ASPEN EXPLORATION CORP. (TICKER: ASPN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 327
#90320c1069 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JERRY D JORGENSEN, VP OF BUILDERS EXPRESS INC. (TICKER: BLDX), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 320
#90320c1070 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, JOSEPH F BARLETTA, DIR. OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.39 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90320c1071 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, JOSEPH F BARLETTA, DIR. OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 403,328.

-30- 346
#90320c1072 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOHN J MOORES, CHAIRMAN OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,722,784.

-30- 323
#90320c1073 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOHN J MOORES, CHAIRMAN OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c1074 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN J MOORES, CHAIRMAN OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS), SOLD 145,000 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90320c1075 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOHN J MOORES, CHAIRMAN OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c1077 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MARION B MORSE, OFFICER OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90320c1078 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MARION B MORSE, OFFICER OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 316
#90320c1079 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, WILLIAM B KUHLKE JR, DIR. OF BANKERS FIRST CORP. (TICKER: BNKF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,936.

-30- 319
#90320c1080 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DONALD R STROBEN, DIR. OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,150.

-30- 305
#90320c1081 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, PAUL C BARKLEY, DIR. OF BURNHAM PACIFIC PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,648.

-30- 339
#90320c1082 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, DOUGLAS D BRENDLE, CHAIRMAN OF BRENDLE'S INC. (TICKER: BRDL), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,101.

-30- 317
#90320c1083 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JAMES J EVERSOLE, OFFICER OF BRENDLE'S INC. (TICKER: BRDL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 314
#90320c1085 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, THOMAS C THEOBALD, CHAIRMAN OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c1086 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, THOMAS C THEOBALD, CHAIRMAN OF CONTINENTAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: CBK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,000.

-30- 331
#90320c1087 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, TRANUM FITZPATRICK, DIR. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 143 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90320c1088 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, PAUL L BRUNSWICK, VP OF COMPUCHEM CORP. (TICKER: CCEM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 307
#90320c1089 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN F SLEVIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COMDISCO INC. (TICKER: CDO), BOUGHT 9,500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90320c1090 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN F SLEVIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COMDISCO INC. (TICKER: CDO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90320c1091 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN F SLEVIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COMDISCO INC. (TICKER: CDO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90320c1093 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, VINCENT J HARRISON JR, VP OF COGNITRONICS CORP. (TICKER: CGN), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90320c1094 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, VINCENT J HARRISON JR, VP OF COGNITRONICS CORP. (TICKER: CGN), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,695.

-30- 311
#90320c1095 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, LAWRENCE R PANARO, VP OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90320c1096 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, DAVID A SCHATZ, OFFICER OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $26.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,500.

-30- 304
#90320c1097 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, STEVEN R BUTLER, OFFICER OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 328
#90320c1098 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MANUEL J MOROUN, DIR. OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90320c1099 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, MANUEL J MOROUN, DIR. OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,675,125.

-30- 327
#90320c1101 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, BENJAMIN T WALKINGSTICK JR, PRES. OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 98,185.

-30- 344
#90320c1102 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, PABLO D VALENZUELA, VP OF CHIRON CORP. (TICKER: CHIR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 166,991.

-30- 303
#90320c1103 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $77.02 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c1104 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $77.83 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1105 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $77.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c1106 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $75.98 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c1107 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $75.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c1109 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $73.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c1110 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $73.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c1111 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 5,217 SHARES AT $70.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c1112 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $73.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c1113 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 638 SHARES AT $73.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c1114 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $74.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c1115 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $73.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c1117 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $73.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c1118 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 12,659 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c1119 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $73.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1120 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $71.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1121 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 2,295 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c1122 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 10,500 SHARES AT $70.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1123 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $70.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1125 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $69.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1126 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 7,182 SHARES AT $69.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,712,619.

-30- 323
#90320c1127 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), SOLD 5,217 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90320c1128 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ELWOOD A RICKLESS, DIR. OF CITIZENS UTILITIES CO. (TICKER: CITU), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,028.

-30- 325
#90320c1129 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ELWOOD A RICKLESS, DIR. OF CITIZENS UTILITIES CO. (TICKER: CITU), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,019.

-30- 325
#90320c1130 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90320c1131 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90320c1133 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 190,802.

-30- 306
#90320c1134 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, CLAUDE B HUTCHISON JR, CHAIRMAN OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,250.

-30- 327
#90320c1135 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, GEORGE E DUDLEY, DIR. OF CUMBERLAND FEDERAL BANCORPORATION INC. (TICKER: CMBK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 361
#90320c1136 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOHN C EVERETT, DIR. OF CUMBERLAND FEDERAL BANCORPORATION INC. (TICKER: CMBK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 347
#90320c1137 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOHN S GREENBAUM, DIR. OF CUMBERLAND FEDERAL

BANCORPORATION INC. (TICKER: CMBK), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,000.

-30- 351
#90320c1138 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, EUGENE V PETRIK, DIR. OF CUMBERLAND FEDERAL BANCORPORATION INC. (TICKER: CMBK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,015.

-30- 346
#90320c1139 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MICHAEL A RINGSWALD, VP OF CUMBERLAND FEDERAL BANCORPORATION INC. (TICKER: CMBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,505.

-30- 348
#90320c1141 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CHARLES M LEIGHTON, CHAIRMAN OF CML GROUP INC. (TICKER: CML), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c1142 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CHARLES M LEIGHTON, CHAIRMAN OF CML GROUP INC. (TICKER: CML), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c1143 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, CHARLES M LEIGHTON, CHAIRMAN OF CML GROUP INC. (TICKER: CML), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 297,155.

-30- 316

#90320c1144 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 2,337 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90320c1145 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 5,909 SHARES AT $14.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90320c1146 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 871 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90320c1147 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), SOLD 4,207 SHARES AT $12.59 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90320c1149 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, VINCENT A CALARCO, CHAIRMAN OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90320c1150 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, VINCENT A CALARCO, CHAIRMAN OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297

#90320c1151 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, VINCENT A CALARCO, CHAIRMAN OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90320c1152 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, VINCENT A CALARCO, CHAIRMAN OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90320c1153 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, VINCENT A CALARCO, CHAIRMAN OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90320c1154 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, VINCENT A CALARCO, CHAIRMAN OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90320c1155 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, VINCENT A CALARCO, CHAIRMAN OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 103,104.

-30- 336
#90320c1157 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, CHARLES J MARSDEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90320c1158 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, CHARLES J MARSDEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 74,904.

-30- 351
#90320c1159 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HOWARD B WENTZ JR, DIR. OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90320c1160 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HOWARD B WENTZ JR, DIR. OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 325
#90320c1161 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90320c1162 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90320c1163 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90320c1165 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DAVID L WEINBERG, VP OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 185,600.

-30- 328
#90320c1166 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MORTON SALKIND, DIR. OF CODENOLL TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: CODN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c1167 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MORTON SALKIND, DIR. OF CODENOLL TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: CODN), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c1168 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MORTON SALKIND, DIR. OF CODENOLL TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: CODN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c1169 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, MORTON SALKIND, DIR. OF CODENOLL TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: CODN), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c1170 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, MORTON SALKIND, DIR. OF CODENOLL TECHNOLOGY CORP.

(TICKER: CODN), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 224,050.

-30- 326
#90320c1171 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, HAROLD P ROSENFIELD JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: CPRK), SOLD 3,600 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,136,400.

-30- 385
#90320c1173 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ANDREW J SORDONI III, CHAIRMAN OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 132,748.

-30- 317
#90320c1174 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, STEPHEN SORDONI, BEN. OWNER OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 128,198.

-30- 314
#90320c1175 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, WILLIAM B SORDONI, DIR. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 128,992.

-30- 303
#90320c1176 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, CHARLES J ROTKIN, DIR. OF CU BANCORP. (TICKER: CUBN), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267

#90320c1177 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, CHARLES J ROTKIN, DIR. OF CU BANCORP. (TICKER: CUBN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,809.

-30- 302
#90320c1178 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, PHILLIP DASH, DIR. OF DASH INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DASH), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90320c1179 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PHILLIP DASH, DIR. OF DASH INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DASH), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175,000.

-30- 305
#90320c1181 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, EDWARD B DUPONT, DIR. OF DUPONT (E.I.) DE NEMOURS & CO. (TICKER: DD), SOLD 250 SHARES AT $33.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1182 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, EDWARD B DUPONT, DIR. OF DUPONT (E.I.) DE NEMOURS & CO. (TICKER: DD), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $31.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,875,625.

-30- 341
#90320c1183 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, PETER Y WOON, OFFICER OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP. (TICKER: DGSD), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90320c1184 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, PETER Y WOON, OFFICER OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP. (TICKER: DGSD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c1185 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, PETER Y WOON, OFFICER OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP. (TICKER: DGSD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c1186 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, PETER Y WOON, OFFICER OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP. (TICKER: DGSD), SOLD 15,459 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90320c1187 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JIM A WATSON, DIR. OF DSC COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: DIGI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 321
#90320c1189 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 1,504 SHARES AT $19.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c1190 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 1,504 SHARES AT $19.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c1191 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 1,504 SHARES AT $19.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c1192 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 1,504 SHARES AT $19.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c1193 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 1,504 SHARES AT $19.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c1194 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 1,504 SHARES AT $19.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c1195 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 1,504 SHARES AT $19.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c1197 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, HUGH BANCROFT JR TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 1,463 SHARES AT $20.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 6,787,111.

-30- 340
#90320c1198 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JANE C MACELREE, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 2,004 SHARES AT $18.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1199 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JANE C MACELREE, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 2,004 SHARES AT $19.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1200 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JANE C MACELREE, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 2,004 SHARES AT $19.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1201 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JANE C MACELREE, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 2,004 SHARES AT $19.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1202 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JANE C MACELREE, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 2,004 SHARES AT $19.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1203 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JANE C MACELREE, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER:

DJ), SOLD 2,004 SHARES AT $19.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1205 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JANE C MACELREE, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 2,004 SHARES AT $19.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1206 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JANE C MACELREE, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 2,004 SHARES AT $20.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1207 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JANE C MACELREE, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 1,961 SHARES AT $20.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,757,103.

-30- 326
#90320c1208 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, WILLIAM H LESTER, DIR. OF DYNASTY CLASSICS CORP. (TICKER: DNST), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 321
#90320c1209 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, EDWARD W ROSE III, CHAIRMAN OF DREW INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DREW), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c1210 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, EDWARD W ROSE III, CHAIRMAN OF DREW INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DREW), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 607,082.

-30- 318
#90320c1211 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, MICHAEL D WHITE, CHAIRMAN OF TRANSCO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: E), SOLD 2,331 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c1213 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, SCHNEUR Z GENACK, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90320c1214 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, SCHNEUR Z GENACK, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c1215 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, SCHNEUR Z GENACK, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,550.

-30- 347
#90320c1216 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 12, 1990, SCHNEUR Z GENACK, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.97 PER SHARE.

-30- 309

#90320c1217 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 16, 1990, SCHNEUR Z GENACK, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,550.

-30- 347
#90320c1218 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, DOUGLAS W BRANDRUP, DIR. OF EQUITY OIL CO. (TICKER: EQTY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,000.

-30- 312
#90320c1219 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, DONALD J GARDNER, VP OF FEDERAL PAPER BOARD INC. (TICKER: FBO), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,300.

-30- 322
#90320c1221 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, RICHARD A CHENOWETH, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP. OF OHIO (TICKER: FBOH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,199.

-30- 336
#90320c1222 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ROBERT N MURRAY, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 345
#90320c1223 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, EDWARD R NAUMES, VP OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 339
#90320c1224 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JOHN J CRAWFORD, PRES. OF FIRST CONSTITUTION FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCON), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 351
#90320c1225 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, JOHN J CRAWFORD, PRES. OF FIRST CONSTITUTION FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90320c1226 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, JOHN J CRAWFORD, PRES. OF FIRST CONSTITUTION FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 349
#90320c1227 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, MILTON H WARD, CHAIRMAN OF FREEPORT-MCMORAN COPPER CO. (TICKER: FCX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 336
#90320c1229 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, OLIVER H HAGEN, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST INTERSTATE OF IOWA INC. (TICKER: FIIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90320c1230 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, OLIVER H HAGEN, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST INTERSTATE OF IOWA INC. (TICKER: FIIA), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,352.

-30- 344
#90320c1231 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, HOWARD R HARRIS II, VP OF FIRST INTERSTATE OF IOWA INC. (TICKER: FIIA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 328
#90320c1232 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, HOWARD R HARRIS II, VP OF FIRST INTERSTATE OF IOWA INC. (TICKER: FIIA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,998.

-30- 350
#90320c1233 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JEROME J BUSHMAN, DIR. OF F & M FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP.(WI) (TICKER: FMFS), BOUGHT 4,300 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,058.

-30- 341
#90320c1234 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JOHN T OXLEY, BEN. OWNER OF FORTUNE FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FORF), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90320c1235 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOHN T OXLEY, BEN. OWNER OF FORTUNE FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FORF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 514,800.

-30- 342
#90320c1237 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, KENNETH J WAGNON, DIR. OF FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FRTH), BOUGHT 8,750 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,432.

-30- 323
#90320c1238 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, DAN L GOLDWASSER, DIR. OF FOREST LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: FRX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $42.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,750.

-30- 330
#90320c1239 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JAMES O ASH, DIR. OF FIRST FEDERAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: FTFC), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $5.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 324
#90320c1240 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JAMES O ASH, DIR. OF FIRST FEDERAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: FTFC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90320c1241 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JAMES O ASH, DIR. OF FIRST FEDERAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: FTFC), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $5.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,500.

-30- 326
#90320c1242 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, PHILLIP J QUILLIN, DIR. OF FIRST FEDERAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: FTFC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $5.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,174.

-30- 335
#90320c1243 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ROBERT H ZALOKAR, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST VIRGINIA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FVB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,673.

-30- 338
#90320c1245 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, EQUITY HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,178,625.

-30- 361
#90320c1246 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, NORMAN M FIELD, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,178,625.

-30- 338
#90320c1247 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ARTHUR A GREENBERG, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,179,625.

-30- 345
#90320c1248 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, WILLIAM K HALL, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,178,625.

-30- 341
#90320c1249 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JODELL A KEPPLER, OFFICER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,178,625.

-30- 351
#90320c1250 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, B ANN LURIE, BEN. OWNER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,178,625.

-30- 350
#90320c1251 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, PATRICIA MEGAHAN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,178,625.

-30- 340
#90320c1253 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, SHELI Z ROSENBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,179,625.

-30- 373
#90320c1254 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, GERALD A SPECTOR, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC.

(TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,178,625.

-30- 342
#90320c1255 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, SAMUEL ZELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,625.

-30- 360
#90320c1256 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 18, 1989, FRANCIS J MORAVEC, DIV. OFFICER OF GRUBB & ELLIS CO. (TICKER: GBE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 332
#90320c1257 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 18, 1990, JOHN G MANCINO, BEN. OWNER OF GENERATION 5 TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GFIV), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c1258 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, JOHN G MANCINO, BEN. OWNER OF GENERATION 5 TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GFIV), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c1259 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, JOHN G MANCINO, BEN. OWNER OF GENERATION 5 TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GFIV), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.72 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c1261 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90320c1262 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90320c1263 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90320c1264 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90320c1265 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, PRES. OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,588.

-30- 335
#90320c1266 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, CHARLES GELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF GELMAN SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GSC), BOUGHT 128,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 523,641.

-30- 327
#90320c1267 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ROBERT J HIGGINS, DIR. OF GANTOS INC. (TICKER: GTOS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90320c1269 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, SIDNEY R UNOBSKEY, DIR. OF GANTOS INC. (TICKER: GTOS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 301
#90320c1270 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CHARLES R ENNIS, VP OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90320c1271 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CHARLES R ENNIS, VP OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,506.

-30- 291
#90320c1272 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CHARLES R ENNIS, VP OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,017.

-30- 293
#90320c1273 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 83,476 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90320c1274 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 1,596 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90320c1275 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 26,844 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90320c1277 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90320c1278 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 23,591 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90320c1279 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 3,075 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90320c1280 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90320c1281 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 8,965 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,981,685.

-30- 315
#90320c1282 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM L BRICKER JR, DIR. OF HARRIER INC. (TICKER: HARE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 307
#90320c1283 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, WILLIAM E KREGER, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANKCORP INC. (TICKER: HEBC), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,200.

-30- 324
#90320c1285 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, RICHARD B COVELL, CHAIRMAN OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 339
#90320c1286 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, RICHARD B COVELL, CHAIRMAN OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,600.

-30- 337
#90320c1287 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, RONALD FEINSTEIN, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), SOLD 4,305 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105.

-30- 326
#90320c1288 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, GARY F GOODHEART, DIR. OF HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: HRDG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,470.

-30- 326
#90320c1289 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, KENNETH H STEPHENS, VP OF HUGHES SUPPLY INC. (TICKER: HUG), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,007.

-30- 310
#90320c1290 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, T DANIEL CARUSO JR, OFFICER OF HYCOR BIOMEDICAL INC. (TICKER: HYBD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90320c1291 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, T DANIEL CARUSO JR, OFFICER OF HYCOR BIOMEDICAL INC. (TICKER: HYBD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,070.

-30- 329
#90320c1293 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, R DOUGLAS GILMOUR, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANKGROUP INC. (TICKER: IBGI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.65 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c1294 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, R DOUGLAS GILMOUR, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANKGROUP INC. (TICKER: IBGI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.52 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c1295 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, R DOUGLAS GILMOUR, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANKGROUP INC. (TICKER: IBGI), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1296 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, R DOUGLAS GILMOUR, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANKGROUP INC. (TICKER: IBGI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,492.

-30- 332
#90320c1297 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ROBERT L PETERSON, CHAIRMAN OF IBP INC. (TICKER: IBP), BOUGHT 14,200 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90320c1298 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ROBERT L PETERSON, CHAIRMAN OF IBP INC. (TICKER: IBP), BOUGHT 3,800 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c1299 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ROBERT L PETERSON, CHAIRMAN OF IBP INC. (TICKER: IBP), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,100.

-30- 304
#90320c1301 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JOHN A FRANCO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1302 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOHN A FRANCO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1303 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JOHN A FRANCO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 485,000.

-30- 322
#90320c1304 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JOHN A FRANCO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90320c1305 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JOHN A FRANCO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1306 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOHN A FRANCO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1307 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOHN A FRANCO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90320c1309 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, BARBARA A YOUNG, DIR. OF INDIANA FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: IFSL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 317
#90320c1310 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 759,833.

-30- 319
#90320c1311 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c1312 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c1313 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c1314 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c1315 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c1317 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90320c1318 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, BERNARD SCHREIER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 759,833.

-30- 310
#90320c1319 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, BERNARD SCHREIER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90320c1320 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, BERNARD SCHREIER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90320c1321 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, BERNARD SCHREIER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90320c1322 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, BERNARD SCHREIER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90320c1323 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, BERNARD SCHREIER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90320c1325 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, BERNARD SCHREIER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90320c1326 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, GIDEON SCHREIER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 759,833.

-30- 309
#90320c1327 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, GIDEON SCHREIER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c1328 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, GIDEON SCHREIER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c1329 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, GIDEON SCHREIER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c1330 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, GIDEON SCHREIER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c1331 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GIDEON SCHREIER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c1333 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, GIDEON SCHREIER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c1334 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, MICHAEL M WRESCHNER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 759,833.

-30- 316
#90320c1335 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MICHAEL M WRESCHNER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90320c1336 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MICHAEL M WRESCHNER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90320c1337 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, MICHAEL M WRESCHNER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90320c1338 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, MICHAEL M WRESCHNER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90320c1339 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, MICHAEL M WRESCHNER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275

#90320c1341 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MICHAEL M WRESCHNER, DIR. OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IICR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90320c1342 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JOHN E WOLTZ, DIR. OF INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: III), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $6.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 120,601.

-30- 311
#90320c1343 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, WILLIAM G ALVIS, VP OF INTELLIGENT ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: INEL), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c1344 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, WILLIAM G ALVIS, VP OF INTELLIGENT ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: INEL), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 330
#90320c1345 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, JOSEPH D OKEEFE, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: IRDV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,600.

-30- 355
#90320c1346 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 30, 1990, JOSEPH D OKEEFE, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: IRDV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90320c1347 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1988, ARNOLD VANZANTEN, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: IRDV), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90320c1349 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 03, 1989, ARNOLD VANZANTEN, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: IRDV), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,000.

-30- 353
#90320c1350 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, GEORGE H DIXON, DIR. OF INCSTAR CORP. (TICKER: ISR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90320c1351 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, GEORGE H DIXON, DIR. OF INCSTAR CORP. (TICKER: ISR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 298
#90320c1352 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, ROBERT A PAUL, DIR. OF INTEGRA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: ITGR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $17.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,389.

-30- 320
#90320c1353 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, PHARMATEC INC, BEN. OWNER OF INNOVET INC. (TICKER: IVET), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90320c1354 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, PHARMATEC INC, BEN. OWNER OF INNOVET INC. (TICKER: IVET), SOLD 16,500 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,700.

-30- 311
#90320c1355 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, WILLIAM P MOYLES, DIR. OF IRT CORP. (TICKER: IX), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 251
#90320c1357 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, J C SVGS & PROF SH RETIREMENT PENNE, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 26,637 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c1358 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, J C SVGS & PROF SH RETIREMENT PENNE, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 27,514 SHARES AT $43.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c1359 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, J C SVGS & PROF SH RETIREMENT PENNE, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 26,367 SHARES AT $38.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c1360 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, J C SVGS & PROF SH RETIREMENT PENNE, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 37,453 SHARES AT $39.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c1361 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, J C SVGS & PROF SH RETIREMENT PENNE, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 12,187 SHARES AT $41.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c1362 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, J C SVGS & PROF SH RETIREMENT PENNE, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 29,750 SHARES AT $40.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,440,705.

-30- 360
#90320c1363 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 13,595 SHARES AT $42.91 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90320c1365 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 19,500 SHARES AT $41.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90320c1366 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 23,000 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90320c1367 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 14,189 SHARES AT $41.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90320c1368 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CLARENCE J KJORLIEN, DIR. OF JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JII), BOUGHT 1,964 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,964.

-30- 318
#90320c1369 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, AUSTIN LIST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JII), BOUGHT 1,964 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,214.

-30- 329
#90320c1370 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, GEORGE R CURRY, DIR. OF JACK HENRY & ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: JKHY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c1371 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GEORGE R CURRY, DIR. OF JACK HENRY & ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: JKHY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 334
#90320c1373 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, ABBEY J BUTLER, BEN. OWNER OF KITCHEN BAZAAR INC. (TICKER: KBAZ), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 625,797.

-30- 330
#90320c1374 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, G CORSON ELLIS JR, CHAIRMAN OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90320c1375 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, G CORSON ELLIS JR, CHAIRMAN OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90320c1376 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, G CORSON ELLIS JR, CHAIRMAN OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 810,600.

-30- 309
#90320c1377 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, MARK SCAGLIUSO, OFFICER OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c1378 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MARK SCAGLIUSO, OFFICER OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90320c1379 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MARK SCAGLIUSO, OFFICER OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL),

BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90320c1381 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, MARK SCAGLIUSO, OFFICER OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c1382 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MARK SCAGLIUSO, OFFICER OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90320c1383 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, PINA SCHNEIDER, OFFICER OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c1384 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, PINA SCHNEIDER, OFFICER OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90320c1385 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, PINA SCHNEIDER, OFFICER OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90320c1386 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, PINA SCHNEIDER, OFFICER OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL),

BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 195,400.

-30- 301
#90320c1387 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, PINA SCHNEIDER, OFFICER OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90320c1389 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ALFRED T ZIRKLE, CHAIRMAN OF KEY TRONIC CORP. (TICKER: KTCC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90320c1390 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MARC S HERMELIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF K-V PHARMACEUTICAL CO. (TICKER: KV), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,060.

-30- 349
#90320c1391 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GEORGE R KEMPTON, CHAIRMAN OF KYSOR INDUSTRIAL CORP. (TICKER: KZ), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,490.

-30- 330
#90320c1392 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, RALPH D HULIT, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,798.

-30- 299
#90320c1393 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, STEVEN V RUBIN, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90320c1394 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, STEVEN V RUBIN, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90320c1395 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, STEVEN V RUBIN, VP OF GEAR (L.A.) INC. (TICKER: LA), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90320c1397 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, RUTH E STUZIN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 713,208.

-30- 382
#90320c1398 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LONGS DRUG STORES PROFIT SHS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LONGS DRUG STORES CORP. (TICKER: LDG), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,261,979.

-30- 379
#90320c1399 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ALEXANDER M LEVINE, DIR. OF LEGGETT & PLATT INC. (TICKER: LEG), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278

#90320c1400 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ALEXANDER M LEVINE, DIR. OF LEGGETT & PLATT INC. (TICKER: LEG), SOLD 4,100 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,992.

-30- 322
#90320c1401 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c1402 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c1403 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ARTHUR ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c1405 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90320c1406 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ELISABETH C ORTENBERG, SHAREHOLDER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90320c1407 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WALTER A HILL SR, DIR. OF LSB BANCSHARES INC. (NC) (TICKER: LXBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,312.

-30- 324
#90320c1408 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JULIUS S YOUNG JR, DIR. OF LSB BANCSHARES INC. (NC) (TICKER: LXBK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90320c1409 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JULIUS S YOUNG JR, DIR. OF LSB BANCSHARES INC. (NC) (TICKER: LXBK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90320c1410 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JULIUS S YOUNG JR, DIR. OF LSB BANCSHARES INC. (NC) (TICKER: LXBK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,982.

-30- 327
#90320c1411 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ROBERT W SCHER, VP OF THE LUBRIZOL CORP. (TICKER: LZ), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,243.

-30- 298
#90320c1413 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, HAROLD J LITTLE, DIR. OF MAF BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MAFB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO

101,800.

-30- 313
#90320c1414 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF MALLARD COACH CO. (TICKER: MALC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,000.

-30- 302
#90320c1415 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF MALLARD COACH CO. (TICKER: MALC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90320c1416 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ELIZABETH C MAYER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MEM COMPANY INC (TICKER: MEM), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $14.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1417 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ELIZABETH C MAYER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MEM COMPANY INC (TICKER: MEM), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $14.26 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,549,973.

-30- 339
#90320c1418 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, GAY A MAYER, PRES. OF MEM COMPANY INC (TICKER: MEM), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $14.26 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90320c1419 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, GAY A MAYER, PRES. OF MEM COMPANY INC (TICKER: MEM), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $14.26 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,457,110.

-30- 305
#90320c1421 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, LELCO INC, BEN. OWNER OF MULTNOMAH KENNEL CLUB (TICKER: MKNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,377.

-30- 324
#90320c1422 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, KIM LUNDGREN, SHAREHOLDER OF MULTNOMAH KENNEL CLUB (TICKER: MKNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,377.

-30- 335
#90320c1423 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, LEONARD LUNDGREN, SHAREHOLDER OF MULTNOMAH KENNEL CLUB (TICKER: MKNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,377.

-30- 339
#90320c1424 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, LAWRENCE L GLADCHUN, VP OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90320c1425 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, LAWRENCE L GLADCHUN, VP OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,045.

-30- 322
#90320c1426 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, MICHIGAN NATL CORP DEF COMP PL, BEN. OWNER OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 2,815 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90320c1427 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MICHIGAN NATL CORP DEF COMP PL, BEN. OWNER OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 10,640 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90320c1429 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, MICHIGAN NATL CORP DEF COMP PL, BEN. OWNER OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 1,126 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90320c1430 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MICHIGAN NATL CORP DEF COMP PL, BEN. OWNER OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 1,066 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,449,191.

-30- 365
#90320c1431 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, MICHIGAN NATL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 8,979 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c1432 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, MICHIGAN NATL CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 21,333 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 1,421,848.

-30- 351
#90320c1433 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN H KREHBIEL SR, CHAIRMAN OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), BOUGHT 121 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90320c1434 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN H KREHBIEL SR, CHAIRMAN OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), BOUGHT 125 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,497,657.

-30- 311
#90320c1435 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ALLEN W ZERN, OFFICER OF MORGAN STANLEY GROUP INC. (TICKER: MS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $48.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 222,918.

-30- 328
#90320c1437 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ROBERT B WAGONER, VP OF MATRIX SERVICE CO. (TICKER: MTRX), SOLD 14,146 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 214,604.

-30- 307
#90320c1438 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, WAYNE W BENNETT, DIR. OF MISSION VALLEY BANCORP.(CA) (TICKER: MVBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,570.

-30- 338

#90320c1439 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, FREDERICK H KOPKO JR, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 6,400 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c1440 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, FREDERICK H KOPKO JR, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 6,400 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c1441 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, FREDERICK H KOPKO JR, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 6,400 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c1442 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, FREDERICK H KOPKO JR, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 6,100 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c1443 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, FREDERICK H KOPKO JR, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $0.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c1445 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, FREDERICK H KOPKO JR, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $0.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 300

#90320c1446 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, FREDERICK H KOPKO JR, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 6,900 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c1447 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, FREDERICK H KOPKO JR, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $0.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 320,601.

-30- 341
#90320c1448 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, HUGH G MCBREEN, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 6,400 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c1449 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, HUGH G MCBREEN, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 6,400 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c1450 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, HUGH G MCBREEN, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 6,400 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c1451 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, HUGH G MCBREEN, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 6,100 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c1453 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, HUGH G MCBREEN, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $0.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c1454 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, HUGH G MCBREEN, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES AT $0.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c1455 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HUGH G MCBREEN, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 6,900 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90320c1456 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, HUGH G MCBREEN, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $0.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 320,601.

-30- 337
#90320c1457 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOHN C SAWHILL, DIR. OF NACCO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 307
#90320c1458 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, FREDERICK M GRAFTON, DIR. OF NELLCOR INC. (TICKER: NELL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

5,000.

-30- 306
#90320c1459 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, RICHARD L BREADY, PRES. OF NORTEK INC. (TICKER: NTK), BOUGHT 144,974 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 144,974.

-30- 309
#90320c1461 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, RALPH R PAPITTO, SHAREHOLDER OF NORTEK INC. (TICKER: NTK), SOLD 70,516 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c1462 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, RALPH R PAPITTO, SHAREHOLDER OF NORTEK INC. (TICKER: NTK), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90320c1463 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, RALPH R PAPITTO, SHAREHOLDER OF NORTEK INC. (TICKER: NTK), SOLD 28,692 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 89,515.

-30- 317
#90320c1464 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, RALPH R PAPITTO, SHAREHOLDER OF NORTEK INC. (TICKER: NTK), SOLD 132,164 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90320c1465 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, RALPH R PAPITTO, SHAREHOLDER OF NORTEK INC. (TICKER: NTK), SOLD 18,770 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c1466 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, RALPH R PAPITTO, SHAREHOLDER OF NORTEK INC. (TICKER: NTK), SOLD 433 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90320c1467 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, RALPH R PAPITTO, SHAREHOLDER OF NORTEK INC. (TICKER: NTK), SOLD 9,564 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,138.

-30- 314
#90320c1469 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, E DON TERRY, VP OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC. (TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,111.

-30- 314
#90320c1470 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, S GRAY STEIFEL JR, DIR. OF OAKWOOD HOMES CORP. (TICKER: OH), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90320c1471 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, S GRAY STEIFEL JR, DIR. OF OAKWOOD HOMES CORP. (TICKER: OH), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277

#90320c1472 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, OLIN CORP CONTRIBUTING EOP, BEN. OWNER OF OLIN CORP. (TICKER: OLN), BOUGHT 27,178 SHARES AT $33.11 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c1473 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, OLIN CORP CONTRIBUTING EOP, BEN. OWNER OF OLIN CORP. (TICKER: OLN), BOUGHT 8,300 SHARES AT $33.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c1474 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, OLIN CORP CONTRIBUTING EOP, BEN. OWNER OF OLIN CORP. (TICKER: OLN), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $33.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c1475 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, OLIN CORP CONTRIBUTING EOP, BEN. OWNER OF OLIN CORP. (TICKER: OLN), BOUGHT 1,487 SHARES AT $33.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c1477 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, OLIN CORP CONTRIBUTING EOP, BEN. OWNER OF OLIN CORP. (TICKER: OLN), BOUGHT 9,055 SHARES AT $33.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c1478 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, OLIN CORP CONTRIBUTING EOP, BEN. OWNER OF OLIN CORP. (TICKER: OLN), BOUGHT 14,898 SHARES AT $33.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 294

#90320c1479 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, OLIN CORP CONTRIBUTING EOP, BEN. OWNER OF OLIN CORP. (TICKER: OLN), BOUGHT 31,800 SHARES AT $33.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c1480 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, OLIN CORP CONTRIBUTING EOP, BEN. OWNER OF OLIN CORP. (TICKER: OLN), BOUGHT 1,251 SHARES AT $33.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c1481 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM S GREEN, DIR. OF ON-LINE SOFTWARE INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: OSI), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c1482 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM S GREEN, DIR. OF ON-LINE SOFTWARE INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: OSI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c1483 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, WILLIAM S GREEN, DIR. OF ON-LINE SOFTWARE INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: OSI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,550.

-30- 331
#90320c1485 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1486 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $25.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1487 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1488 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1489 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $26.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1490 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $26.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1491 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1493 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1494 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1495 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1496 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $25.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1497 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1498 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1499 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1501 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1502 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $25.82 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1503 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1504 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1505 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90320c1506 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,716,303.

-30- 361
#90320c1507 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90320c1509 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,010 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90320c1510 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,010 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90320c1511 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,750 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90320c1512 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,750 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90320c1513 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 2,750 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,381,626.

-30- 380
#90320c1514 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, LESLIE B DISHAROON, DIR. OF PRIMERICA CORP. (TICKER: PA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 312
#90320c1515 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, HARRY S PATTEN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PATTEN CORP. (TICKER: PAT), BOUGHT 10,800 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90320c1517 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, HARRY S PATTEN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PATTEN CORP. (TICKER: PAT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,182,889.

-30- 346
#90320c1518 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, WILLIAM J RYAN, PRES. OF PEOPLES HERITAGE FINL GROUP INC. (TICKER: PHBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 340
#90320c1519 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, PETER J VERRILL, VP OF PEOPLES HERITAGE FINL GROUP INC. (TICKER: PHBK), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $2.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90320c1520 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, PETER J VERRILL, VP OF PEOPLES HERITAGE FINL GROUP INC. (TICKER: PHBK), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $2.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,979.

-30- 336
#90320c1521 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 23,600 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90320c1522 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 75,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90320c1523 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA CORP, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90320c1525 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA SVCS INC, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c1526 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA SVCS INC, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90320c1527 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA SVCS INC, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c1528 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA SVCS INC, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), SOLD 351,586 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90320c1529 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA SVCS INC, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), SOLD 145,955 SHARES AT $18.51 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90320c1530 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA SVCS INC, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90320c1531 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA SVCS INC, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), SOLD 34,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c1533 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HERITAGE MEDIA SVCS INC, BEN. OWNER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,158,650.

-30- 340
#90320c1534 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 23,600 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90320c1535 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 75,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90320c1536 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c1537 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JAMES M HOAK JR, OFFICER OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90320c1538 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $42.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 284

#90320c1539 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90320c1541 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $43.66 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90320c1542 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $43.65 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90320c1543 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), BOUGHT 13,129 SHARES AT $44.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90320c1544 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), BOUGHT 5,072 SHARES AT $39.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,158,381.

-30- 326
#90320c1545 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF PUBCO CORP. (TICKER: PUBO), BOUGHT 8,300 SHARES AT $6.82 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 146,187.

-30- 307
#90320c1546 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ELLIS E MEREDITH, DIR. OF PHILLIPS-VAN HEUSEN CORP. (TICKER: PVH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,005.

-30- 329
#90320c1547 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, EDWARD A KARR, OFFICER OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 311
#90320c1549 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, CAMPBELL ELLEN G LANGAS, OFFICER OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,250.

-30- 321
#90320c1550 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, GEORGE D NICE, OFFICER OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 304
#90320c1551 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GARY R OZAROFF, OFFICER OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 315
#90320c1552 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, HOLLACE A RUTKOWSKI, OFFICER OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 316
#90320c1553 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CAROLE E BLANK, OFFICER OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c1554 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, CAROLE E BLANK, OFFICER OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90320c1555 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, CAROLE E BLANK, OFFICER OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c1557 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, CAROLE E BLANK, OFFICER OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90320c1558 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, CAROLE E BLANK, OFFICER OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,935.

-30- 328
#90320c1559 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JANE R PERSONENI, VP OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $23.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,435.

-30- 324
#90320c1560 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, SHERMAN T MAYNE, PRES. OF RADIATION DISPOSAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RDIS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 310,648.

-30- 341
#90320c1561 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, EDWARD E STRICKLAND, DIR. OF REUTER INC. (TICKER: REUT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,500.

-30- 305
#90320c1562 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, JAMES H STOLLENWERK, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF REXWORKS INC. (TICKER: REXW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 89,410.

-30- 361
#90320c1563 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, RICHARD A VANDEUREN, DIR. OF REXWORKS INC. (TICKER: REXW), BOUGHT 5,112 SHARES AT $3.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,112.

-30- 312
#90320c1565 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, EDWIN WACHTEL, DIR. OF ROSPATCH CORP. (TICKER: RPCH), SOLD 1,035 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90320c1566 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, KURT B KARMIN, CHAIRMAN OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c1567 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, KURT B KARMIN, CHAIRMAN OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c1568 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, KURT B KARMIN, CHAIRMAN OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 239,700.

-30- 351
#90320c1569 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, MINAT & CO, BEN. OWNER OF SCHULTZ SAV-O STORES INC. (TICKER: SAVO), SOLD 7,677 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 601,524.

-30- 334
#90320c1570 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CITY NATL BANK TTEE LESOP, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90320c1571 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CITY NATL BANK TTEE LESOP, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), SOLD 219 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90320c1573 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, CITY NATL BANK TTEE LESOP, BEN. OWNER OF STANDARD BRANDS PAINT CO. (TICKER: SBP), SOLD 417 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,104,724.

-30- 375
#90320c1574 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ROBERT OLEARY, VP OF SCANFORMS INC. (TICKER: SCFM), BOUGHT 70,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 102,500.

-30- 299
#90320c1575 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ROBERT A SAMANS, CHAIRMAN OF SCANFORMS INC. (TICKER: SCFM), BOUGHT 70,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 811,268.

-30- 317
#90320c1576 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, WILLIAM L CARPENTER, DIR. OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,800.

-30- 337
#90320c1577 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, FRANCIS P LUCIER, DIR. OF SMITH CORONA CORP. (TICKER: SCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 314
#90320c1578 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, STEPHEN R MILEY, VP OF SOUTHDOWN INC. (TICKER: SDW), BOUGHT 815 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 815.

-30- 292
#90320c1579 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, CHARLES W SCHWEIZER, VP OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,926.

-30- 323
#90320c1581 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DOCTOR R CRANTS, DIR. OF SAHARA RESORTS (TICKER: SHRE), SOLD 250 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

-30- 305
#90320c1582 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DOCTOR R CRANTS, DIR. OF SAHARA RESORTS (TICKER: SHRE), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90320c1583 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DOCTOR R CRANTS, DIR. OF SAHARA RESORTS (TICKER: SHRE), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,500.

-30- 304
#90320c1584 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO SPSP, BEN. OWNER OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $33.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c1585 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO SPSP, BEN. OWNER OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $33.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c1586 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO SPSP, BEN. OWNER OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $33.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c1587 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO SPSP, BEN. OWNER OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $33.97 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c1589 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO SPSP, BEN. OWNER OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $33.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c1590 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JACK D KNOX, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SIXX HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: SIXX), BOUGHT 61,237 SHARES AT $0.52 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 650,500.

-30- 358
#90320c1591 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DONALD DUBERSTEIN, DIR. OF SELVAC CORP. (TICKER: SLVC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90320c1592 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, DONALD DUBERSTEIN, DIR. OF SELVAC CORP. (TICKER: SLVC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90320c1593 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, DONALD DUBERSTEIN, DIR. OF SELVAC CORP. (TICKER: SLVC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.34 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90320c1594 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, DONALD DUBERSTEIN, DIR. OF SELVAC CORP. (TICKER: SLVC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.41 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90320c1595 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, DONALD DUBERSTEIN, DIR. OF SELVAC CORP. (TICKER: SLVC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 328,766.

-30- 306
#90320c1597 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, RICHARD T DOERMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c1598 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, RICHARD T DOERMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90320c1599 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, RICHARD T DOERMER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,398.

-30- 327
#90320c1600 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JAMES H BLANCHARD, CHAIRMAN OF SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SNV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90320c1601 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JAMES H BLANCHARD, CHAIRMAN OF SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SNV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 311,227.

-30- 337
#90320c1602 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, THOMAS J RINELLA, VP OF ST. PAUL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SPBC), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,302.

-30- 315
#90320c1603 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JAMES B WOOD, DIR. OF ST. PAUL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SPBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,751.

-30- 314
#90320c1605 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WELDON B JOLLEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: SPI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,680.

-30- 350
#90320c1606 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WILLIAM H TILLEY, DIR. OF SUNSHINE MINING CO. (TICKER: SSC), SOLD 1,881 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90320c1607 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, WILLIAM H TILLEY, DIR. OF SUNSHINE MINING CO. (TICKER: SSC), SOLD 107 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90320c1608 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c1609 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 51,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c1610 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 50,900 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290

#90320c1611 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 34,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c1613 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 34,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c1614 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 66,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c1615 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 23,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c1616 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c1617 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 89,266 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290

#90320c1618 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 44,634 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c1619 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 33,332 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c1621 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90320c1622 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 33,332 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c1623 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 16,668 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 988,884.

-30- 331
#90320c1624 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1625 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1626 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1627 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1629 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 7,400 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c1630 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1631 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1632 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1633 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1634 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1635 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1637 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1638 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1639 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90320c1640 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 420,798.

-30- 334
#90320c1641 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90320c1642 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JONATHAN E FUNK, DIR. OF SUNWARD TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SUNT), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c1643 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JONATHAN E FUNK, DIR. OF SUNWARD TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SUNT), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90320c1645 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DONALD T PASCAL, OFFICER OF SYLVAN FOODS HLDGS INC. (TICKER: SYLN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 329
#90320c1646 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOHN F MOYNAHAN, OFFICER OF SYM-TEK SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SYMK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 323
#90320c1647 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ALLEN CHARLUPSKI, DIR. OF THORN APPLE VALLEY INC. (TICKER: TAVI), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $8.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 223,146.

-30- 327
#90320c1648 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ALLEN CHARLUPSKI, DIR. OF THORN APPLE VALLEY INC. (TICKER: TAVI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $8.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 348,173.

-30- 329
#90320c1649 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 17, 1990, J GARY MOURTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF T/SF COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: TCM), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 349
#90320c1650 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1987, HARRIS R FENDER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,118.

-30- 357

#90320c1651 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DAVID J OTTENSMEYER, VP OF THE TRAVELERS CORP. (TICKER: TIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 315
#90320c1653 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, HELMUT F STERN, DIR. OF TRIMAS CORP. (TICKER: TMAS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,000.

-30- 301
#90320c1654 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, MARCUS J STAVINOHA, OFFICER OF TEAM INC. (TICKER: TMI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,386.

-30- 304
#90320c1655 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ROBERT M SCHAEBERLE, DIR. OF TRINOVA CORP. (TICKER: TNV), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90320c1656 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ROBERT M SCHAEBERLE, DIR. OF TRINOVA CORP. (TICKER: TNV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,690.

-30- 303
#90320c1657 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c1658 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c1659 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c1661 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c1662 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c1663 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,768,510.

-30- 356
#90320c1664 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ARTHUR C BAXTER, DIR. OF BUILDERS TRANSPORT INC. (TICKER: TRUK), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $5.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 323
#90320c1665 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, KENNETH E EVANS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TOTAL SYSTEM SERVICES INC. (TICKER: TSS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,300.

-30- 342
#90320c1666 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, PHILIP W TOMLINSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TOTAL SYSTEM SERVICES INC. (TICKER: TSS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,100.

-30- 349
#90320c1667 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, RICHARD W USSERY, PRES. OF TOTAL SYSTEM SERVICES INC. (TICKER: TSS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,981.

-30- 322
#90320c1669 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PAUL D COOMBS, OFFICER OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,558.

-30- 329
#90320c1670 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), SOLD 175,000 SHARES AT $69.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,031.

-30- 318

#90320c1671 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, STEVEN J ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 175,000 SHARES AT $69.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175,000.

-30- 319
#90320c1672 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, HAROLD C TAMBURRO, OFFICER OF TEXSCAN CORP. (TICKER: TXCN), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 314
#90320c1673 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, THOMAS J BENDER, VP OF UNIVERSAL HEALTH SERVICES INC. (TICKER: UHSI), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90320c1674 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, THOMAS J BENDER, VP OF UNIVERSAL HEALTH SERVICES INC. (TICKER: UHSI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,000.

-30- 325
#90320c1675 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, LOUIS H HERWALDT, DIR. OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,214.

-30- 329
#90320c1677 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, EDWARD M KASHIAN, SHAREHOLDER OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC.

(TICKER: VALI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c1678 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, EDWARD M KASHIAN, SHAREHOLDER OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c1679 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, EDWARD M KASHIAN, SHAREHOLDER OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c1680 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, EDWARD M KASHIAN, SHAREHOLDER OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), SOLD 2,800 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c1681 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, EDWARD M KASHIAN, SHAREHOLDER OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c1682 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, EDWARD M KASHIAN, SHAREHOLDER OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), SOLD 7,300 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c1683 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, EDWARD M KASHIAN, SHAREHOLDER OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC.

(TICKER: VALI), SOLD 4,563 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,034.

-30- 338
#90320c1685 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, DONALD J PERACCHI, DIR. OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90320c1686 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, DONALD J PERACCHI, DIR. OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,057.

-30- 330
#90320c1687 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, LARRY A SHEHADEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

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#90320c1688 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, LARRY A SHEHADEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), BOUGHT 7,300 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 333,632.

-30- 360
#90320c1689 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, LEONARD J BRUCE, CHAIRMAN OF VALLEN CORP. (TICKER: VALN), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,695,416.

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#90320c1690 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, LAWRENCE C JONES, CHAIRMAN OF VAN DORN CO. (TICKER: VDC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.19 PER SHARE.

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#90320c1691 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ANTHONY V CAROLLO JR, DIR. OF VMX INC. (TICKER: VMXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 297
#90320c1693 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, FRITZ L DUDA, DIR. OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90320c1694 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, FRITZ L DUDA, DIR. OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

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#90320c1695 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, FRITZ L DUDA, DIR. OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE.

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#90320c1696 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, FRITZ L DUDA, DIR. OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,035,506.

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#90320c1697 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WILSON C RILES, SHAREHOLDER OF WELLS FARGO & CO. (TICKER: WFC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $51.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 318
#90320c1698 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, T WAYNE DAVIS JR, DIR. OF WINN-DIXIE STORES INC. (TICKER: WIN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

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#90320c1699 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, T WAYNE DAVIS JR, DIR. OF WINN-DIXIE STORES INC. (TICKER: WIN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $59.88 PER SHARE.

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#90320c1701 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JERRY E DEMPSEY, VP OF WASTE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: WMX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,199.

-30- 318
#90320c1702 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, STEPHEN W R TTEE, BEN. OWNER OF WORTHEN BANKING CORP. (TICKER: WOR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90320c1703 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, STEPHEN W R TTEE, BEN. OWNER OF WORTHEN BANKING CORP. (TICKER: WOR), BOUGHT 272,712 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90320c1704 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, STEPHEN W R TTEE, BEN. OWNER OF WORTHEN BANKING CORP. (TICKER: WOR), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,660,576.

-30- 342
#90320c1705 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RICHARD G CRAFT, OFFICER OF WSMP INC. (TICKER: WSMP), BOUGHT 558 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,557.

-30- 294
#90320c1706 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GREGORY A EDGELL, BEN. OWNER OF WSMP INC. (TICKER: WSMP), BOUGHT 1,449 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 751,396.

-30- 312
#90320c1707 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, CECIL R HASH, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF WSMP INC. (TICKER: WSMP), BOUGHT 1,449 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 734,651.

-30- 342
#90320c1709 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, GLEN A HUNSUCKER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF WSMP INC. (TICKER: WSMP), SOLD 3,170 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

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#90320c1710 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GLEN A HUNSUCKER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF WSMP INC. (TICKER: WSMP), BOUGHT 1,449 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 734,651.

-30- 333
#90320c1711 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WALKER LYERLY III, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF WSMP INC. (TICKER: WSMP), BOUGHT 1,449 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 734,651.

-30- 329
#90320c1712 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JAMES C RICHARDSON JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF WSMP INC. (TICKER: WSMP), BOUGHT 1,449 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 734,651.

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#90320c1714 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, G FRED HEIMBURGER, DIR. OF WETTERAU PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: WTPR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,370.

-30- 333
#90320c1715 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, CONRAD A PLIMPTON, CHAIRMAN OF EXIDE ELECTRONICS GRP INC. (TICKER: XUPS), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

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#90320d2340 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (NOV. 16) - Vietnam's communist leader has predicted that the communist parties of Eastern Europe will regain their strength and socialism will ''certainly win'' in the long run, the Vietnam News Agency (Vna) reported Friday.

In a speech to a national conference of senior government officials last week in Hanoi, party General Secretary Nguyen Van Linh made it clear that socialism is still the prevailing ideology in Vietnam, regardless of Perestroika-like reforms.

''Socialism is facing hard times. However, we should not be pessimistic nor should we waver,'' said Linh in a speech picked up by Vna and monitored here.

Linh, who became the communist party chief in December 1986, is closely associated with the economic reforms Vietnam has been implementing since 1987.

Like China, Vietnam appears to be taking a path of Perestroika without Glasnost, or economic reforms without accompanying political reforms.

Vietnam's all-powerful Communist Party clearly has been shaken by the downfall of socialist regimes in Eastern Europe, a development which Hanoi has blamed on the poor leadership of European communist parties.

''The communists in the Eastern Europe countries will draw the necessary lessons from reality, creatively develop Marxism-Leninism and correctly apply it to the concrete situation of their countries, find out the correct solutions, enlist the support of the people and regain their strength,'' predicted Linh.

He added, ''The way to socialism remains a zigzag and complicated one but socialism will certainly win.''

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#90320d2440 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 16) - Japan's overall wholesale prices in October rose 1.5 percent from a year earlier, but remained unchanged from September, the Bank of Japan said Friday.

The central bank said the year-on-year rise was the largest since May when it reached 1.7 percent.

Domestic wholesale prices increased 1.8 percent from a year before and 0.3 percent from the previous month, as higher crude oil costs boosted prices of petroleum, coal, chemical and plastic products.

Import wholesale prices jumped 9.7 percent from a year before and two per cent from September, while export prices fell four percent from a year before and 2.8 percent from September.

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#90320d2450 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (NOV. 16) - The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) should make concerted efforts to boost textile exports and fight the challenges of fiercer competition or growing protectionism, officials said Friday.

The establishment of voluntary trade blocs in Europe and North America could threaten the growth of ASEAN textile exports, officials attending the council meeting of the ASEAN Federation of Textile Producers (AFTEX) here said.

"ASEAN must make corresponding adjustments," AFTEX Chairman Cheng Wai Keung said.

AFTEX should make concerted efforts in overseas marketing, while at home it should help their government efforts to boost intra-ASEAN trade, he said.

ASEAN's total exports of textiles and apparel grew six-fold between 1979 and 1989 to nine billion dollars, and now represents about five per cent of the global export market.

ASEAN groups Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

Indonesian Junior Industry Minister Tungky Ariwibowo said in his keynote remarks that AFTEX members should invest in selective technology that enhanced their main competitive advantage in the textile sector: the low labour costs.

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#90320d2550 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 16) - Chinese and Indonesian firms have signed a memorandum of understanding in Beijing to co-operate in edible oil ventures in each others' country, the New China News Agency reported Friday.

Under the pact, signed during Indonesian President Suharto's visit here, the China National Vegetable Oil Corp., the Indonesian Mindo Vegetable Oil Co. and the Tunas Group are to establish palm oil-based industries in China, including a refinery and fractionating plant.

They will also set up a 25,000 hectare (61,750 acre) oil palm plantation in Indonesia that would include two crude oil milling plants.

Both ventures would be overseen by a special committee of the three companies, NCNA said.

Diplomats had predicted an increase in Sino-Indonesian trade and investment after the two countries resumed full diplomatic relations in August following a 23-year break.

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#90320d2560 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 16) - Prices of Indonesian crude oil will drop by an average 1.7 dollars per barrel for November shipment to Japan, reflecting an easing trend in world crude spot trading in November, oil industry sources here said Friday.

Prices for Sumatra light will be cut by 1.72 dollars per barrel from the previous month to 33.57 dollars while Cinta crude will go down by 1.70 dollars to 33.15 dollars, they said.

-30- 581
#90320d2570 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (NOV. 16) - North Korea supports a plan to lay a pipeline across its territory to bring Soviet natural gas to South Korea, the head of the Hyundai Group has said.

Hyundai founder and honorary chairman Chung Ju-Yung said upon return from the Soviet Union that North Korea had told the Soviet Union through its ambassador in Moscow that it had "no objections" to the plan, a spokesman said.

"This is not a short-term project, however, and there's nothing concrete," the spokesman said.

He could not say when the pipeline would be constructed.

The 1,000-kilometer (620-mile) pipeline would bring natural gas from Vladivostok on the Soviet Pacific coast to South Korea.

The Soviet Union recently established diplomatic relations with the capitalist South, a move that was called "treachery" in the communist North.

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#90320d2600 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 16) - Japan will provide one million dollars in emergency aid to drought-hit Ethiopia, Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama said Friday in a cabinet meeting.

The aid will be used for the purchase of relief food by the United Nations World Food Program (WFP), Foreign Ministry officials quoted Mr. Nakayama as saying.

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#90320d2660 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 16) - Japanese electronics makers should offer greater cooperation to their counterparts in East European countries to encourage

entrepreneurs in the region, the Electronics Industries Assocation of Japan (EIAJ) said Friday.

The association, in a lengthy report, said East European countries are currently not attractive enough as separate nations but the combined market will serve as a stepping stone to a greater European market including the Soviet Union.

It urged its some 600 member companies to depart from their negative attitude and offer technological assistance, make more investments and help management.

The report analyzed the trends of demand, technological levels and the investment environment in the electronics, data communications and semiconductor industries in Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Yugoslavia and eastern Germany (former East Germany).

The electronics industry of the region lags far behind that of the West in cost competitiveness and technological achievements, while development expertise for consumer electronics is especially weak, the report said.

But the EIAJ saw growth potential in the telecommuniations equipment market in these countries as they scramble to catch up the West.

The semiconductor market in the region will slacken temporarily as production of electronics equipment slows, but imports from Western nations will increase following relaxation of rules by the watchdog Coordinating Committee for Export Control (COCOM), the report said.

The Paris-based COCOM, which monitors the sale of sensitive equipment to communist or former communist countries, is calling for the loosening of restrictions on exports of computers and electronic and telecommunications equipment.

-30- 1983

#90320d2700 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 16) - Bread prices have risen by an average of 33 percent in Kenya, where bread consumption has increased in recent years to rival maize meal as a staple food, it was announced here.

The increases, which will hit Kenyan households hard, were announced in a special issue of the Kenya Gazette on Thursday. Wheat flour prices were also raised by more than 23 percent in some areas.

Kenya imports about half of its wheat, 70 percent of which is used to make bread.

Petrol prices have risen by nearly 50 percent at the pump since Iraq's

invasion of Kuwait in August, and the once strong Kenya shilling is sliding against major currencies, making imports more expensive.

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#90320d2790 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 16) - A total of 45,574 bags of Kenyan coffee were offered for sale to markets at Nairobi's weekly auction and 45,373 bags were sold for an average price of 1,836.88 Kenyan pounds (1,597.28 U.S. dollars) per ton.

The market was overall a shade firmer, but unchanged with continuous buying by Rosters and large stocks of coffee in Europe, preventing any upswing.

To date, 1,298,467 bags of 198990 pool have been sold to all markets, with an overall gross average price of 2,230 Kenyan pounds (1,939.13 dollars) per ton.

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#90320d2950 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 16) - Japanese trading giant Mitsubishi Corp. said its net profit soared 38.9 percent from a year earlier to 26.6 billion yen (193 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, the country's biggest trader of oil and other energy products, said sales rose 12.6 percent to 8,710 billion yen (63 billion dollars).

Sales of machinery and information equipment jumped by almost a third while turnover in other products -- ranging from fuels, metals and foodstuffs to chemicals, industrial materials and textiles -- grew by less than 10 percent.

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#90320d2960 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 16) - Japan's Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. said Friday its net consolidated profit grew by 16 percent from a year earlier to 127 billion yen (920 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, the world's biggest manufacturer of consumer electronics including the National and Panasonics brand names, said group sales climbed 12 percent to 3,247 billion yen (24 billion dollars) in the same period.

Exports grew more than twice as fast as domestic sales, the company said. Sales abroad jumped 19 percent to 1,501 billion yen (11 billion dollars) while sales at home rose eight percent to 1,746 billion yen (13 billion dollars).

Sales of video equipment rose eight percent to 83.5 billion yen (605 million dollars) while sales of audio equipment climbed 15 percent to 29.1 billion yen (211 million dollars). Sales of consumer electronics grew 13 per cent to 46.6

billion yen (338 million dollars), the company said.

Information equipment advanced 18 percent to 76.2 billion yen (552 million dollars) and sales of electronic parts rose eight percent to 41.7 billion yen (302 million dollars). Sales of batteries and kitchen equipment increased 14 percent to 16.8 billion yen (122 million dollars) and sales of other products grew 16 percent to 30.7 billion yen (223 million dollars).

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#90320d2970 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 16) - Nippon Light Metal Co. Ltd. said Friday its net profit inched up 0.9 percent from a year before to four billion yen (30 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Japan's largest aluminum producer said sales rose 3.1 percent to 142 billion yen (one billion dollars), reflecting brisk demand for drinking cans and transportation-related goods.

Sales surpassed year-before levels for rolled aluminum products as well as aluminum products and building materials, but declined for metal and chemical products.

For the year to March, the company forecast net profit of 7.5 billion yen (54 million dollars), up six percent from the previous year, on sales of 290 billion yen (2.1 billion dollars), up 7.4 percent.

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#90320d3000 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 16) - Arrangements were ready Friday for 14 international banks to fully underwrite an 800 million U.S. dollar loan for a China highway project, Beijing's first major borrowing since the country's turmoil last year.

The banks included Japanese, British, French, Chinese and Hong Kong interests, said Gordon Wu, managing director of Hopewell Holdings Ltd., which is the Hong Kong partner in the 1.54 billion U.S. dollar joint-venture super-highway plan in southern China.

U.S. banks were however notably absent from the 12-year financing package, seen by many as a litmus test for foreign banks' confidence on China after the June 4 Beijing massacre of pro-democracy activists last year, observers said.

The number of participating banks also fell short of an earlier estimate of 20 from the Chinese authorities.

Underwriters which have vowed to take part included Beijing's Bank of China, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corp. in the British colony, and French

concern Banque Nationale de Paris (BNP). Most of them were however understood to be Japanese banks.

Bank of China, the Hongkong Bank and a third participant have agreed to underwrite 100 million U.S. dollars each, while the rest would take up an average 50 million dollars each, according to Mr. Wu's estimate.

He said official underwriting agreements would be signed in the short term.

Work started in mid-1987 on the super-highway -- linking Guangzhou, Shenzhen and Zhuhai in neighbouring Guangdong province -- and has since been known to suffer financing problems.

Guangdong officials have said the project was vital to the province's development and would be completed for full operation by 1994 "with or without foreign loans."

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#90320d3040 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 16) - Japan's Sumitomo Corp. said Friday its net profit advanced 14.2 percent from a year earlier to 18.6 billion dollars (135 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, a leading trading house with strong activities in steel and chemicals, said sales grew 18.4 percent to 9,389 billion yen (68 billion dollars) in the same period.

Metal sales leapt by almost a third although sales of chemicals, fuels, machinery, foodstuffs and general products grew more modestly. Textiles sales were virtually unchanged.

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#90320d3210 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (NOV. 16) - Seven people died in the Yugoslav town of Ruma after brawling guests knocked over an oil-fired stove and set light to the premises, newspapers reported here Friday.

Eight people were injured, some critically, when the fight started between several youths who had been drinking heavily. Ruma is some 70 kilometres east of capital.

The victims were unable to escape after flames from the upturned stove quickly enveloped the freshly-painted ''Pam-Pam'' bar, said the reports.

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#90320d3310 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WOLFSBURG (NOV. 16) - Volkswagen reported here Friday that its net earnings in the first nine months of 1990 gained 2 percent to 621 million marks (421 million dollars).

VW said the parent company accounted for 477 million marks of the net profit, also up 2 percent from the same period last year.

The company's world group turnover reached 50.35 billion marks, up 4.3 percent, with the parent firm accounting for 37.77 billion marks, a 6.7 percent gain.

VW said it delivered a total of 2.28 million vehicles in the first nine months of 1990, up 2.9 percent, with production reaching 2.27 million vehicles, a 4.1 percent rise.

The company noted that domestic business remained robust, but there were signs of weakening in West European markets and the United States. The Gulf crisis was adding considerably to the uncertainty, VW said.

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#90320d3460 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (NOV. 16) - Taiwan intends to renew a bid to purchase F-16 fighters from the United States if the Soviet Union supplies China with Sukhoi Su-27 planes, the island's deputy chief of the general staff for logistics said here Friday.

"If military facilities of the opposite side of the (Taiwan) Strait are markedly upgraded, we have more than adequate reason to purchase advanced weapons from the U.S.," General Lin Ke-cheng told reporters.

"We would want to buy U.S.-made F-16 fighters to maintain the balance of air combat capability between the two sides of the Strait if China acquires Su-27 fighters from the Soviet Union," Gen. Lin said.

In October, a Soviet aviation expert attending a biannual Chinese aeronautical trade show in Beijing said negotiations on supplying the Chinese with the state-of-the-art Su-27 were now at a "preliminary stage."

The Su-27 - codenamed "Flanker" by NATO forces - is one of the Soviet Union's most advanced supersonic fighters.

If a deal goes through - marking the first time that China has turned to the Soviet Union for warplanes since the 1950s - military analysts said it would represent a quantum leap in the firepower of China's antiquated air force, as well as a shift in the balance of military power in Asia.

In the past, Taiwan had tried without success to purchase F-16 fighters from

the U.S., which after switching diplomatic recognition to China in 1979 agreed to quantitatively and qualitatively reduce arms sales to this island.

The Nationalists fled to Taiwan from China in 1949 after losing a civil war to the communists, with whom are they are still technically at war.

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#90320d3570 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (NOV. 16) - The Namibian government signed four agreements here Friday under which the European Economic Community (EEC) will provide 34 million rands (13.3 million dollars) in aid to Namibia, the EEC cordinator here, Tim Sheehy, said.

At the same time the EEC announced it would provide a further 12 million rands (4.7 million dollars) for various programmes, bringing to 78 million rands (30.5 million dollars) the total amount of aid committed to Namibia by the EEC so far this year.

Friday's agreements were signed by Mr. Sheehy and the Director-General of Namibia's National Planning Commission, Zedikia Ngavirue.

"The commitments the EC has made are clearly the beginning of a long-term relationship between Namibia and the European Community," Mr. Sheehy said.

The grants, which were given over and above the funds pledged by individual EEC member states, were "a clear sign of confidence by the EC in an independent Namibia," he added.

Namibia achieved its independence from South Africa on March 21 this year.

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#90320d3590 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 16) - Argentina and China have signed several accords to step up their economic cooperation, an Argentinian diplomat said Friday as Argentine President Carlos Menem left after a three-day visit here.

The two countries signed several agreements on Thursday including one on joint business ventures, expanding on an earlier one, an Argentine Embassy spokesman said.

Chinese President Yang Shangkun was present for the signing ceremony.

Argentina has been involved in several joint ventures in fishing, metallurgy and agriculture in China, the spokesman said, adding that China would participate in an irrigation project in Argentina.

China agreed to increase the amount of wheat it buys from Argentina, and to award export credits worth 20 million dollars, while Buenos Aires pledged 300 million dollars in export credits to China, the spokesman said.

Trade between the two countries amounted to 576 million dollars last year, with the balance heavily in Argentina's favor.

The two sides also signed a counsular treaty and an agreement easing visa requirements.

Mr. Yang, who accompanied Mr. Menem to the airport Friday, said the visit "brought Sino-Argentine relations to a new stage," the official New China News Agency reported.

He visited Buenos Aires in May as part of a Latin American tour.

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#90320d3600 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

UITENHAGE, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 16) - Volkswagen South Africa (VWSA)'s plant in this eastern Cape motortown remained shut down for the second successive day following a walk-out by union members, the company said here Friday.

Some 6,000 workers were affected by the closure of the plant and VWSA management told workers Friday the company will not resume production until agreement was reached with the National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa (NUMSA) guaranteeing "uninterrupted production".

In a statement released here, VWSA said the plant was closed after 600 workers walked off their jobs Thursday to attend a court case involving a foreman and a shop steward.

The company warned off retrenchments following the action of the workers, all members of NUMSA, and said the plant will only be reopened if the union agreed to a "commitment to the viability of VWSA and industrial peace and stability".

South Africa's motor industry has been plagued with industrial relations problems this year.

Daimler-Benz's South African subsidiary, Mercedes-Benz South Africa (MBSA)'s plant in East London, 250 kilometres (156 miles) northeast of here, resumed production on October 9 after being shut down for eight weeks due to a strike.

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#90320d3610 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 16) - China's currency, the yuan, will be devalued 9.57 percent Saturday, the News China News Agency (NCNA) announced.

The official agency said the decision was made by the government body in charge of the money supply, the State Administration of Exchange Control.

The yuan was quoted Friday at 471.03 per 100 U.S. dollars.

The decision was "part of the effort to deepen the country's economic and monetary reform and accelerate economic development," NCNA said, quoting the government agency.

The last devaluation of the yuan was on December 16 last year.

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#90320d3740 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NOUMEA (NOV. 16) - Club Med will build a tourist resort village in Hienghene, on the east coast of New Caledonia's main island, a spokesman said Friday.

The resort, to open in 1992, will afford vacationers at Club Med, which already operates a hotel in Noumea, greater variety when they come to New Caledonia, the spokesman said.

A luxury sail-powered cruise liner, the Club Med II, will be complete by 1992, and it will operate from the village and cruise throughout New Caledonia's three provinces for at least five years, he said.

The resort village is expected to stimulate domestic air traffic in the archipelago, with plans for a daily link between Noumea and the east coast.

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#90320d3760 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 16) - An international consortium Friday announced it has dropped its plan to build a near-900 million U.S. dollar cable TV network in the British colony for commercial reasons.

The statement was made by Hong Kong Cable Communications Ltd., which was handpicked by the government more than a year ago to launch the colony's first cable project in 1991.

Cable Communications is a consortium led by local tycoon Sir Yue-kong Pao's Wharf Group. Other partners are two other local companies plus American telecommunications operator U.S. West Inc. and Belgian cable concern Coditel S.A.

The consortium had threatened to back down from the project for fear of competition from a satellite TV plan announced by a subsidiary of local businessman Li Ka-shing.

The government gave the Li firm, HutchVision, the go-ahead on October 31 to use Hong Kong as the base for its 400 million U.S. dollar pan-Asia satellite TV service scheduled to start at year-end.

The colony's Secretary for Recreation and Culture, Augustine Chui, called Cable's pull-out "a setback in some ways" although the consortium faced no penalty for breaking its commitment.

Mr. Chui said the government would look for other options to develop cable TV. He would not elaborate.

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#90320d3780 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (NOV. 16) - Malaysia's national oil company Petronas Friday signed a letter of intent for part of its second refinery project with the U.S. oil firm Caltex, South Korea's Samsung Co. Ltd. and Taiwan's China Petroleum Corp.

Petronas' wholly-owned subsidiary Petronas Penapisan (Melaka) Sdn. Bhd. will have a 45-per cent share in the approximately 3.3-billion-dollar (1.22 billion U.S.) project to refine crudes with high sulphur content.

Caltex has a 25-per cent share while Samsung and China Petroleum Corp. each taking 15 per cent of the equity.

The shareholders are entitled to at least their equity share in the refined products, Petronas President Azizan Zainal Abidin told reporters after signing the agreement.

"We are confident it is going to be a viable project particularly with the partners we have," Mr. Azizan.

Products from the so-called sour crude train project, which comes on stream in the middle of 1995, are aimed for export.

The train, one of two in the refinery in southern Malacca state, has a capacity to refine between 100,000 to 130,000 barrels per day and the flexibility to accept the whole spectrum of crudes.

Petronas wholly owns the other train which will refine local crudes, which have low sulphur content. Petronas has another refinery in Kertih on the east coast.

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BANGKOK (NOV. 16) - As Asia's urban population grows in the next two decades, as much as 96 per cent of new jobs created will have to be in the cities, according to United Nations figures released here Friday.

By the year 2000 one-third of the Asia-Pacific population will inhabit urban areas and by 2010 the figure will reach 40 per cent, according to a U.N. Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) study.

An inter-governmental meeting on population and social development of ESCAP member countries is to consider the study here Monday, an ESCAP statement said.

"Growth in labor force, changes in occupation and the kind of economic activities which accompany development, as well as increasing participation of women in the labor market, have important policy implications," the statement said.

"The rapidly growing sectors of manufacturing, trade and services rely heavily on female employees. Educational and training opportunities must be adequate to prepare females for modern sector employment," the statement added.

Another study prepared for the meeting urges that governments in the region formulate a "package of policies related to taxation, capital markets, savings and credit" to meet the needs of the growing urban work force.

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#90320d3920 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Hong Kong (NOV. 16) - In a terse statement Friday, the Hong Kong Cable Communications (Hkcc) consortium said it was cancelling plans to build a 5.5 billion Hongkong dollar (705 million U.S. dollar) cable television network.

Hkcc did not elaborate on the reasons for the cancellation. But it was understood that the consortium's collapse was precipitated by the withdrawal of the American cable operators U.S. West Inc.

Other partners in the project quickly signalled their intention to follow suit. There has been very little progress on the cable project and its commercial viability has increasingly been questioned.

Hkcc won the license to operate the network 15 months ago after a fiercely fought contest. The majority shareholder in the consortium was Wharf Holdings, belonging to shipping magnate Sir Y.K. Pao, joined by local and overseas companies.

The main loser then was the Cablevision consortium led by tycoon Li Ka-Shing's Hutchison Whampoa group. Li has since gone ahead with an ambitious satellite television project.

The collapse of the scheme is also highly embarrassing for the government, which appointed Hkcc and was keen to see the development of cable Tv as a precursor to the introduction of a second telecommunications network to compete with the monopoly held by a subsidiary of Britain's Cable and Wireless.

''This is a commercial decision made by businessmen. It is not our policy to interfere in such matters,'' a government spokesman said when asked about the Hkcc announcement.

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#90320d4010 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 16) - Japan's nine biggest trading houses announced Friday increased profits for the six months to September, citing strong domestic demand in addition to increased earnings from fuel trading activities.

Most companies reported increased sales, particularly for industrial equipment and machinery. Overall figures were distorted, however, as sales from gold trading accounts were excluded.

Mitsubishi Corp., the leading trading house and Japan's biggest trader of energy products, said its net profit soared 38.9 percent from a year earlier to 26.6 billion yen dollars (193 million dollars) in the six months.

Sales rose 12.6 percent to 8,710 billion yen (63 billion dollars). Sales of machinery and information equipment jumped by almost a third while turnover in other products - ranging from fuels, metals and foodstuffs to chemicals, industrial materials and textiles - grew by less than 10 per cent.

Mitsui and Co. Ltd., ranking second and the biggest Japanese trader of chemicals, steel and foodstuffs, said its net earnings increased 12.5 percent to 15 billion yen (109 million dollars).

But sales fell 4.5 percent to 8,955 billion yen (65 billion dollars). Sales of non-ferrous metals were slashed by more than a third while sales of textiles also fell. But machinery sales rose sharply and sales of petroleum and gas, steel, chemicals and foodstuffs also posted gains.

Sumitomo Corp, highly dependent on steel and chemical activities, said its profit advanced 14.2 percent to 18.6 billion yen (135 million dollars).

Sales grew 18.4 percent to 9,389 billion yen (68 billion dollars). Metal sales leapt by almost a third although sales of chemicals, fuels, machinery, foodstuffs and general products grew more modestly. Textiles sales were virtually unchanged.

Marubeni Corp., a former textile specialist affiliated with Fuji Bank Ltd., said its profit surged 20.2 percent to 10.6 billion yen (77 million dollars).

Sales jumped 13.5 percent to 9,048 billion yen (66 billion dollars). Turnover was higher in all sectors, led by metals and machinery followed by energy and chemical products.

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#90320d4040 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 16) - British retail prices rose 0.8 percent last month over September's, boosting the inflation rate to 10.9 percent for the twelve months the Central Statistics Office (CSO) announced here Friday.

The figures were in line with experts' forecasts.

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#90320d4090 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 16) - Japan's Ricoh Co. Ltd. said Friday its net profit edged up 5.5 percent from a year earlier to 9.2 billion yen (67 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, a leading manufacturer of office equipment, said sales climbed 6.8 percent to 344 billion yen (2.5 billion dollars). Domestic sales advanced eight percent to 234 billion yen (1.7 billion dollars) while exports grew at a slower pace of five percent, reaching 110 billion yen (797 million dollars).

Photocopier sales rose, both at home and abroad, but sales of information equipment fell, depressed by a steep drop in exports. Sales of consumer goods were higher in Japan and overseas while sales of optical equipment also posted overall gains despite lower domestic sales.

Ricoh forecast a net profit of 16.2 billion yen (117 million dollars) on sales of 694 billion yen (five billion dollars).

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#90320d4100 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (NOV. 16) - Malaysia and Mali Friday signed a trade agreement that would pave the way for greater cooperation between the two countries, Bernama news agency said.

Malaysian Foreign Minister Abu Hassan Omar and his Mali counterpart N'golo Traore, who arrived here Wednesday for a three-day visit, signed the agreement.

Mr. Abu Hassan said at the signing ceremony that Malaysia gave high priority to developing and strengthening trade with non-traditional trade partners, particularly the developing countries in Africa and Latin America.

Mr. Traore invited Malaysian entrepreneurs to venture into gold, bauxite and iron mining in Mali.

He added that Mali was interested in joint-venture projects in the textile industry for export to European countries.

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#90320d4180 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 16) - China increased steel production by 8.6 percent to 54.67 million tons during the first 10 months of the year compared to the same period a year ago, the New China News Agency reported Friday.

China this year plans to produce 65 million tons, according to figures released by the Chinese Ministry of Metallurgical Industry, NCNA said.

Iron production, meanwhile, increased by 7.5 percent to 51.01 million tons during the first 10 months of the year, NCNA said.

The state has given priority to the metallurgy sector, considered strategic for the nation's economic development, and has made efforts to improve electricity and coal provision to manufacturers.

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#90320d4200 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Jerusalem (NOV. 16) - Israel's government will ban the breeding and sale of all pig products, and introduce other controversial religious legislation under a coalition agreement signed Friday with the ultra-orthodox Agudat Yisrael four-man parliamentary faction.

The agreements represent a significant success for the rightwing government headed by Premier Itzhak Shamir's Likud party. Instead of the slim 62-member support in enjoyed in the 120-seat Knesset parliament, it can now count on the support of 66 members.

It will thus have the means to resist threats from wavering coalition partners like the religious Shas party and the rightwing Tsomet faction, both of which have recently threatened to bring down the government.

But the secular right-wing Likud party was forced to pay a heavy price for the increased security, undertaking in the coalition agreement signed Friday to pass four controvesial religious laws.

This will mean the banning of the sale and breeding of all pig products except in strictly defined Christian communities, the tightening of abortion laws which will allow rabbis to decide when such an operation is permissible,

the banning of all public transport on the Jewish Sabbath and the outlawing of any display of what the agreement termed ''lewd advertising''.

Agudat Yisrael's four parliamentarians were also rewarded in the agreement. Three of them will be appointed deputy ministers, and the fourth will chair the influential finance committee of the Knesset.

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#90320d4280 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOMBAY, India (NOV. 16) - Dhirubhai Ambani, the ageing warhorse of India's corporate battlefront, looked unusually relaxed as he addressed the shareholders of his flagship, Reliance Industries.

Reliance is India's third largest private sector company and 5,000 of its 3.6 million shareholders gathered Tuesday to hear the chairman at Bombay's giant Wankhede Stadium.

He announced that Reliance had achieved sales of 10 billion rupees (555 million dollars) during the six months to September - a 28-percent increase over the corresponding period last year.

At 810 million rupees (45 million dollars), net profits were up 22 percent.

But shareholders had more than just the results to celebrate.

They know their company is back in favour with the government, thanks to Mr. Ambani's close friendship with the new prime minister, Chandra Shekhar. Being in favour with the government means a lot for India's heavily government-controlled industrial sector - faster clearance of applications for expansion, diversification and help in raising finance from government-controlled banks and financial institutions.

Mr. Ambani, considered to be in the dog house during the 11 months in power of Vishwanath Pratap Singh, is now seen as one of the industrialists likely to gain the most from the new government.

In addition to his friendship with Mr. Shekhar, he is also perceived to be close to Congress (I) - the party propping up the new prime minister in office.

"We are a company, not a political party," Mr. Ambani said after shareholders asked him how the company would benefit from the new government. "Whatever the government at the centre, we are supposed to obey orders."

But Bombay's corporate grapevine believes Reliance Industries is in for good times once again.

Last week, amid an all-round fall in the price of equities on the Bombay Stock

Exchange (BSE), Reliance held firm and rose in value.

The BSE's sensitivity index lost 40 points during the week, but Reliance's share price increased 26 rupees.

Observers in Bombay, India's business capital, believe Mr. Ambani has a real chance of regaining control over Larsen and Toubro, the country's eighth largest private sector company.

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#90320d4300 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 16) - The French opposition introduced a no-confidence motion in parliament on Friday which could topple the government of Socialist Prime Minister Michel Rocard.

The announcement by the three main conservative opposition groups came after Mr. Rocard told parliament early Friday that he would force through a bill on a controversial welfare tax without a vote.

The vote on the censure motion is scheduled for Monday, when Paris is hosting a summit of the 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

The opposition needs to rally a total 289 votes in order to topple the government. It is certain of mustering 286 votes thanks to the 26 communist deputies who for the first time are voting for a censure motion against the Socialists.

The votes of 20 independnet deputies will consequently be crucial.

Former prime minister Laurent Fabius, a potential rival to Mr. Rocard as a future Socialist presidential candidate, noted on Friday that the communist decision to align themselves with the conservatives brought a "new fact" into the voting.

"The atmosphere is not good," he added.

The vote comes at a difficult time for the government, shaken by student protests and with new Justice Minister Henri Nallet accused of financial irregularities when he was treasurer of President Francois Mitterrand's re-election campaign in 1988.

The no-confidence motion is the ninth to be introduced against Mr. Rocard's government.

Mr. Rocard held talks with Mr. Mitterrand Friday, but no details were released.

The opposition has accused the Socialist president of undermining his own

government by receiving a student delegation during a rally here by 200,000 high-school pupils Monday and saying that the government could perhaps find "a few billion" to meet their demands for greater security, improved premises and more teachers.

Mr. Rocard, who was in Japan during the student protests, promptly announced 4.5 billion francs (900 million dollars) in extra credits to renovate schools.

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#90320d4320 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 16) - Britain has ratified the "Two plus Four" treaty that paved the way to the October 3 unification of Germany, the foreign ministry said here Friday.

The British ambassador in Bonn, Christopher Mallaby, on Friday handed a ratified copy of the treaty to Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the ministry said.

The treaty, gathering the major World War allies -- Britain, the United States France and the Soviet Union -- and East and West Germany, was signed in Moscow on September 12.

It agreed the external aspects of German unification, chiefly Germany's membership of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation and the departure of 380,000 Soviet troops from East Germany over four years.

The accord was automatically ratified Thursday, as Britain's House of Commons and House of Lords did not file an objection to it during a 21-day waiting period.

The United States and unified Germany ratified the treaty in October. The Soviet and French parliaments have yet to follow suit.

Pending the implementation of the treaty, the four wartime allies signed a separate agreement to suspend their residual rights over postwar Germany from October 3.

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#90320d4390 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manila (NOV. 16) - Senior officials of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (Asean) Friday agreed to expand cooperation in nine energy fields amid fears of a shooting war in the Gulf.

Officials from Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand, which comprises Asean, also agreed here to activate an oil-sharing scheme if war breaks out in the Middle East.

At the end of their two-day meeting, Asean economic ministers on energy cooperation further agreed to expedite implementation of an intra-regional power grid project linking the six countries.

A program of action was approved to enhance cooperation in energy sectors such as coal, electricity, petroleum and natural gas and geothermal resources, among others. Of the six Asean members, only three - Brunei, Indonesia and Malaysia - produce petroleum.

As envisioned in the Asean petroleum security arrangement (Apsa), oil-producing members contribute 10 per cent of their total production to an ''oil pool'' as contingency supplies to be equally distributed to non-producing members.

Under the Apsa accord, member countries can gain about 80 percent of their requirements from the oil-producing members, according to Philippine Energy Affairs director Wenceslao de la Paz.

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#90320d4500 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABALE, UGANDA (NOV. 16) - Uganda will hit back if Rwandan troops continued to violate its air space and territory in pursuit of rebels who invaded Rwanda from Uganda on October 1, a Ugandan army commander warned here Thursday.

The National Resistance Army (NRA) area commander, Captain Sam Bishuba, said hundreds of Ugandans living along the border had fled their homes after fighting between forces of the rebel Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) and Rwandan government troops spilled over the border into Ugandan territory.

Captain Bishuba said students of a school near the border were forced to flee after Rwandan government forces crossed into Uganda and engaged in a gun battle with the rebels.

On Wednesday, a Rwandese reconnaisance plane entered three kilometres (two miles) into Ugandan airspace, the commander claimed.

"We are not going to sit back while Ugandans are being subjected to unwarranted suffering. Rwanda's wars are her problems", Captain Bishuba warned.

He said Uganda had the capacity to shoot back and vowed that it would do so if acts of provocations from Rwanda did not stop.

But Rwanda has denied the accusations, saying that the violations were the work of rebels who wanted to cause misunderstanding between the two countries.

Denying the accusations, Lieutenant-Colonel Francois Munyengango, leader of a

15-man Rwandan military team which is monitoring the Ugandan side of the border, told Agence France-Presse here Thursday that his troops were under strict instructions not to violate Ugandan territory.

"If any violation took place, then it is the work of the rebels who want to create misunderstanding between the two countries", Lt.-Col. Munyengango said.

Lt.-Col. Munyengango disclosed that his government was due to request Ugandan outhorities to help fight the rebels by joining Rwandan government forces in their military operations along the common border.

He said his monitoring team had requested access to points along the border they suspect to be conduits for supply of ammunition and food to the rebels from Uganda.

Captain Grace Agaba, the Ugandan military officer in charge of coordinating the team's activities, confirmed that the Rwandan military team would be stationed at five major points along the border -- Merama Hill, Rubare, Ntungamo, Kamuganguzi and Kabale.

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#90320d4590 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 16) - Iraq warned Friday that joint U.S.-Saudi military maneuvers could plunge the region into an "abyss".

The ruling party newspaper Ath-Thawra warned that Saudi King Fahd ibn Abdel Aziz would be held responsible for any threat to regional security as a result of the exercises.

U.S. and Saudi Arabian troops, aircraft and warships launched their largest ever combined exercise on Thursday, involving 1,100 aircraft and an amphibious landing on Saudi beaches south of Kuwait.

"The Saudi regime will be held responsible for this American provocation and the ensuing threats to the region's security and stability," the official newspaper said.

"American provocation constitutes a new attempt to put pressure on Iraq," it said, describing the maneuvers as an "escalation that could plunge the region into an abyss."

A U.S. Navy spokesman, Commander J.D. Van Sickle, said Thursday in Dhahran that the exercise -- dubbed "Exercise Imminent Thunder" -- was not provocation but part of ongoing training.

He said the amphibious landing would take place in Saudi Arabia's Eastern Province, which borders Kuwait, but declined to say how far from the emirate

it would be held.

U.S. newspaper reports said the beach landing may be as close as 10 miles (16 kilometers) from the Saudi border with Kuwait.

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#90320d4610 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIF (NOV. 16) - Kuwait's exiled Emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, has declared that practices by Iraqi troops in Iraqi-annexed Kuwait have outpaced repressive measures taken by the Israelis against Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

He said the Iraqi invasion of his country on August 2 has overshadowed the Palestine question and cast a thick cloak on Israel's repressive practices against the Arab and Moslem population in the occupied territories.

Jaber made his remarks in a message Thursday night replying to Abbas Madani, leader of the Algerian fundamentalist Islamic Front, who had sent a letter to the ousted Emir in October, the Bahrain-based Gulf News Agency said.

Jaber said since August 2, more than one million people, including Kuwaiti nationals and foreign residents, have been rendered homeless after Iraqi occupation forces seized their properties and money, and launched a wave of ''killings and organised looting of all state utilities in Kuwait''.

''The practices of the Iraqi occupation army in Kuwait greatly outpaced what had happened and is happening to the Palestinians in the occupied Arab territories,'' Jaber said.

He added that the Iraqi government was trying to convince the Arab and Moslem worlds that Palestine could not be liberated before all Arab states in the Gulf were liberated first.

Jaber again urged Iraq to accept Arab, Islamic and United Nations resolutions which called for an unconditional Iraqi pullout from Kuwait and the reinstatement of the legitimate government there.

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#90320d4620 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Tel Aviv (NOV. 16) - A lebanese man was shot and killed by the Israeli-backed South Lebanon Army in the self-proclaimed security zone running inside the Lebanese border, Israeli army radio reported Friday.

The report stated that the clash took place late Thurday night after the man, whose identity was not revealed, was discovered in the zone and tried to flee northwards away from Sla positions.

The radio said that the victim had a record of ''security offences'' against Israel and had been imprisoned for a time in Israel's El-Khayam prison.

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#90320d4660 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 16) - The European Economic Community (EEC) warned manufacturers of farm machinery Friday to end selective distribution that stops any dealer buying from any another.

The European Commission said that agreements restricting a dealer's right to sell such farm vehicles as tractors and combined harvesters anywhere within the EEC were prohibited unless specific exemptions were granted.

It said in a statement that farm vehicles were not subject to the same selective distribution rights as road vehicles, where a dealer might not be allowed to sell to another re-seller who is not authorised by the manufacturer.

The commission reported complaints from dealers who had tried unsuccessfully to buy tractors in EEC countries where prices were lower, adding that it would give offenders until January 1 next year to change their contracts.

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#90320d4680 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (NOV. 16) - Rania and Jean Abu-Hamad, two Lebanese architects working in the United States, during a recent visit to Beirut examined 15 new construction sites of highrise marble-coated towers.

In Boston, where they work, only three new buildings are being erected, one of them by Lebanese expatriates, they say.

The Lebanese economy is picking up after six years of recession. Investment and expenditures are rising as militias withdraw from the capital and the government moves ahead with plans to restore peace.

Economists noted that during the past two weeks, after the announcement of a government ultimatum to pull out all militiamen from Beirut by November 19, investors, fleeing the instabilitiy of the Gulf, have started to invest money in projects here.

Serge Nader, owner of the once-famous Saint George Hotel on Beirut's Mediterranian bay, said he has started consultations with construction firms to rebuild his hotel which was devastated by sectarian strife in 1976.

The Salha family, owner of the equally-famous, but likewise destroyed Phonecia Hotel, has reportedly sold the estate in Beirut's once-bustling downtown

district to an investment company which intends to restore it by 1992.

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#90320d4720 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (NOV. 16) - An air raid by Nigerian planes in a West African expeditionary force in Liberia has destroyed a boat loaded with arms and equipment for Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor, sources close to the government said here Friday.

They said intelligence agents learned about the shipment and the air attack was then launched Wednesday afternoon by five Nigerian planes at the Liberian port of Buchanan, which lies south of the capital and, unlike Monrovia, is held by Mr. Taylor's rebel troops.

The planes were part of the five-nation ECOMOG force that has intervened in the Liberian civil war. The rebel offensive was launched by Mr. Taylor's rebel National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) last December again President Samuel Doe.

Mr. Doe was killed by a breakaway rebel faction led by Prince Johnson in September.

The information by the sources here Friday followed a statement by Nigeria's ambassador in Freetown saying there had been a Nigerian air raid on the port of Buchanan.

The NPFL had said the attack destroyed a U.S. ship carrying relief aid.

Sources close to the government here also said Friday that the ECOMOG force could act as Liberia's national army during a transition period.

They said the possibility was discussed in talks here this week between Liberia's interim president, Amos Sawyer, and Nigerian President Ibrahim Babangida and Vice President Augustus Aikhomu.

Nigerian and Ghanaian troops form the bulk of the 7,000-strong ECOMOG force sent into Liberia in August by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS).

It started off as a peacekeeping force to establish a ceasefire throughout the country and has since driven the NPFL out of Monrovia. Mr. Johnson's dissident rebel force has rallied to the side of ECOMOG, making the NPFL the last warring faction to hold out against the force.

Nigeria has contributed the most number of troops, sending three battallions. Aside from Ghana, the other nations with troops involved are Sierra Leone, Guinea and Gambia.

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#90320d4780 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABU DHABI (NOV. 16) - Kuwaiti refugees in Gulf states have been urged to speak less about their tribulation to avoid provoking any retaliatory attack by Iraq at home.

"The Iraqi regime and its executioners are looking for any excuse to kill Kuwaitis," Sheikh Ahmed Fahd al-Sabah told Kuwaitis in Sharjah in the United Arab Emirates Thursday night.

"So, any random comments could pose a threat to our people under occupation in Kuwait," he said.

More than half Kuwait's native population of 700,000 have fled to neighbouring Gulf states since Iraqi forces overran their oil-rich emirate on August 2.

Several Kuwaiti officials and citizens who fled the country have spoken to the media about what they said were Iraqi atrocities in Kuwait.

"Holding our tongues in these circumstances is a kind of resistance," said Sheikh Ahmed, a member of the Kuwaiti ruling family and son of the emir of Kuwait's brother, Sheikh Fahd al-Ahmed as-Sabah.

Sheikh Fahd, who had headed the Asian Olympic Committee and Kuwait's football association, was killed as he tried to defend his brother's palace against Iraqi invaders in August.

Sheikh Ahmed said the Iraqis were digging trenches and staging military exercises in Kuwait's residential areas. He did not elaborate.

He urged Kuwaitis to join the resistance but warned they should expect big changes after liberation.

"The current crisis is not a dream which ends when we wake up," he said. "The Kuwait which we will see when we return will be quite different."

Sheikh Ahmed said Kuwaitis would get new passports within two months, saying Iraqi troops have seized most Kuwaitis' identity papers.

The move has prompted accusations by the Kuwaiti government that Iraq is seeking to change the demographic character of the emirate after annexing it a week after the invasion.

Iraq has given Kuwaitis until November 25 to change their identity papers for Iraqi papers, and officials fear this could trigger more departures.

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#90320d4790 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 16) - Japan's ambassador to Iraq, Kunio Katakura, is raising poultry and growing vegetables at his official Baghdad residence in case of a food shortage in a prolonged Gulf crisis, a newspaper reported here Friday.

"This is a preparation for any event that would confine me to the residence," Mr. Katakura told the Asahi Evening News, which published a photo of the diplomat crouching amidst his 14 chickens.

He is also raising 13 quails and four guinea hens, the paper said.

The mini farm, whose garden is planted with seeds from Japan, is in the courtyard of Mr. Katakura's residence, it said.

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#90320d4810 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (NOV. 16) - Visiting Canadian Defence Minister William McKnight met Friday with Bahrain's Crown Prince, Sheikh Hamad bin Isa al-Khalifa, to discuss the Gulf crisis and ways of boosting bilateral relations in all fields it was reported here.

Sheikh Hamad and the Canadian defence minister reviewed ''the current conditions in the (Gulf) region and international efforts exerted to secure the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwaiti territory,'' the Bahrain-based Gulf News Agency said.

Bahrain's Emir, Sheikh Isa bin Sulman al-Khalifa, is currently on a private visit to Britain.

McKnight arrived here Thursday night from Qatar on the last leg of a Gulf tour which has also taken him to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates (Uae).

The Canadian minister, whose country has sent 1,700 troops and a squadron of 18 fighter aircraft in support of the U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the Gulf following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, has not ruled out a further commitment to end the Iraqi occupation.

In a statement in Riyadh Thursday after discussing the Gulf crisis with Saudi Arabia's King Fahd and other Saudi ministers, McKnight said Canada had demonstrated solidarity with the international community against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein despite its own budgetary problems.

''We believe that the world must condemn this (Iraqi) aggression and do everything it can to deter it,'' he said.

Although he felt that the United Nations sanctions against Iraq were working, McKnight said if the need arose for the use of military force against Baghdad, it should be under a United Nations umbrella.

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#90320d4820 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (NOV. 16) - A public transportation strike that began on Tuesday in Cracow spread on Friday to the northern cities of Gdansk and Olsztyn, where bus and tramway drivers walked off the job early in the morning, the Polish news agency PAP reported.

The strikers are calling for salary increases of up to 350,000 zlotys (37 dollars -- the average monthly salary in Poland is around 1.1 million zlotys (116 dollars) -- and state subsidies for their money-losing companies, some of which are unable to pay their employees for lack of funds.

In Cracow, public transportation had been provided by trucks belonging to large compnies, but strikers have begun blocking their routes.

The city has said that it intends to call upon the army to provide transportation.

Sporadic strikes have plagued the public transportation system across Poland in spite of calls from unions, including Solidarity, for workers not to walk off the job during the campaign leading up to the November 25 presidential elections.

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#90320d4830 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (NOV. 16) - Turkey has offered to sell 40 F-16 combat jets to Egypt, it was disclosed here Friday.

The disclosure was made by Vahit Erdem, director of the state-run Defence Industry Development and Support Fund on his return from a visit to Cairo.

Erdem said Egypt had already taken 120 of the 160 planes it is to get from the U.S. and Turkey could easily supply the remaining 40 by increasing monthly production from two to four planes, he added.

If it accepts the offer, Egypt will pay less for planes of the same quality, he said.

Turkey is building the body and assembling other components including engines for 160 F-16s under a 4.2-billion-dollar deal signed in 1983 with the U.S. firm General Dynamics.

During a visit to Washington in September, Turkish President Turgut Ozal voiced interest in another 160-plane package.

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#90320d4880 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 16) - The European Economic Community (EEC) announced here Friday the grant of emergency medical and other aid worth about 845,000 dollars for victims of Liberia's civil war.

The European Commission, the EEC's executive, said the aid of 650,000 European Currency Units would be used to help people who had fled Liberia for the neighbouring states of Guinea, Sierra Leone, Ivory Coast and Ghana.

Some 600,000 Liberians have sought refuge in neighboring countries since rebels of Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) launched their bid to topple the government of the late pesident Samuel Doe last December.

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KABUL (NOV. 16) - Afghan troops Friday launched heavy artillery attacks on a guerrilla stronghold near the capital as part of an operation to prevent rocketing of the city during winter, official sources said.

Security forces kept up a heavy barrage of rocket fire at suspected rebel bases in Sakardara, nearly 40 kilometers (25 miles) north of here, the sources said.

They said mujahedeen guerrillas had been using Sakardara as a launching pad for rocket attacks on Kabul, and Friday's government offensive was aimed at driving the guerrillas out of the region.

"This operation is a preemptive one. If they (guerrillas) are dislodged now, by winter it would be difficult for them to regroup and transport rockets to mountain peaks to fire on Kabul," an official source said.

Residents here heard continual artillery fire throughout Friday morning, and motorists were told by soldiers that the highway to Sakardara was shut due to fighting in the area.

It was not immediately clear whether there were any casualties in the government offensive. The authorities have been carrying out similar mopping-up operations in several areas near Kabul in recent weeks.

Mujahedeen guerrillas fire rockets on the capital and other key cities in Afghanistan to put pressure on the Soviet-backed Kabul regime to step down.

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#90320d5050 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KATHMANDU (NOV. 16) - There has been a mushrooming of political parties in Nepal since the ban of political parties was lifted on April 9 following pro-multi-party system protests, it was reported Friday.

The Nepali-language weekly Nepali Patra said the number of political parties in the Himalayan kingdom today stands at 53.

Of these, three parties were in existence even during the 30 years of the Panchayat system when political parties though banned were tolerated.

In the seven and half months since the ban on political parties was lifted, 30 new parties have come into being. But none of the 53 political parties have so far issued any kind of manifesto.

Meanwhile, with the enforcement of a multi-party democracy constitution on November 9, political parties have launched their campaigns for the forthcoming general election.

The general election is scheduled to be held in April or May next year.

Some violence have been reported from outside the Kathmandu valley with clashes taking place between the Communists and the Nepali Congress party.

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MBABANE (NOV. 16) - Two Swazi political activists were on Friday still holed up in the U.S. embassy here where they sought refuge to escape arrest by police, an embassy spokesman said.

The two men, Ray Russon and Sabelo Dlamini, fled to the embassy on Thursday morning after they learned that police were about to arrest them under Swaziland's 60-day detention without trial act.

The spokesman said the embassy was still awaiting instructions from the U.S. State Department concerning applications for political asylum made by the two activists.

Meanwhile, police arrested a former lecturer at Swaziland University here and two student teachers at the William Pitcher Teachers' Training College in Manzini in central Swaziland.

Students at both institutions have been boycotting classes since Monday and the government on Thursday ordered the immediate closure of the training

college after students refused a final order to resume classes.

The university has been closed since Wednesday after students rioted.

In another development, police said on Friday that more than 80 students were injured on Wednesday when paramilitary police stormed a building at the university's satellite campus at Kwaluseni, 30 kilometres (19 miles) southeast of here.

One of the injured students is a daughter of Swaziland's Prime Minister Obed Dlamini.

-30- 1551

#90320d5220 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 16) - Georgia and the three Baltic republics Friday made clear they would refuse to sign a new union treaty and would opt out of the Soviet Union, journalists at the federal parliament reported.

Armenia also expressed unwillingness to ratify the proposed treaty before it had recovered its full sovereignty during an emergency debate at the Supreme Soviet on the state of the union.

The decisions were announced by representatives of the transcaucasian republics of Armenia and Georgia and those from the Baltic republics of Estonia and Latvia. Lithuania, by its absence from parliament, made clear it stuck by its unilateral declaration of independence, voted last March.

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#90320d5350 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (NOV. 16) - Distant hopes that an Arab summit could unlock a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis looked to have faded like a desert mirage on Friday as Iraq and Arab rivals dug their heels into irreconcilable ground, diplomats said.

The call by Morocco's King Hassan II on Sunday for a last-ditch Arab summit to examine Iraq's three-month-old occupation of Kuwait has generated intensive diplomatic moves, including visits this week by President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt to Libya and Syria.

On the one hand Baghdad consistently repeated that any Arab gathering must examine in addition to the Gulf crisis all the problems facing the region, with the Palestinian issue high on its agenda.

Iraq also reiterated that it will not make any concessions over Kuwait, which it annexed less than a week after occupying the emirate.

The anti-Iraq block led by Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Syria have underlined their own intransigent conditions, with only Sudan, Libya and the Palestine Liberation Organisation upholding the call for a summit.

Mr. Mubarak, who this week met Libyan leader Colonel Moamer Kadhafi, has repeatedly called for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait saying no Arab summit could take place before this condition was met.

He and Syrian President Hafez al-Assad issued a similar appeal and furthermore blamed Iraq for "aborting" all political settlement to the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Mubarak was also quoted Friday by the semi-official Cairo daily Al-Ahram as saying he had urged U.S. President George Bush to "delay by two to three months" any plans for a military option to give peace a chance.

He also chastised Baghdad for wanting to link a Gulf solution to an overall settlement of the Middle East issue.

Syrian and Saudi officials have echoed Mr. Mubarak's stance.

The deadlock was "perfectly predicatable" a diplomat in the Gulf said on Friday, adding that the Moroccan call for a summit only served to "sweep away once and for all any myth that an Arab solution could be found to the crisis."

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#90320d5400 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Wolfsburg (NOV. 16) - Volkswagen's supervisory board agreed here Friday to extend by two years the contract of chairman Carl H. Hahn to the end of 1993.

The board approved a proposal made a few weeks ago that Hahn's contract, which expires December 31, 1991, be extended by two years despite his already having reached the normal retirement age of 65.

Vw is in the midst of a restructuring programme which largely bears Hahn's stamp, and the supervisory board apparently felt it prudent to let him carry through with the plans than to hand the company's reins over to a successor, car industry analysts said.

Among other projects, Vw is setting up a production facility in the former East Germany and is also vying to gain a majority share in the Czechoslovak carmaker, Skoda. It is also reorganising its Vw, Audi, and the Spanish Seat divisions.

Earlier, Vw reported a 2 percent rise in net earnings, to 621 million marks (421 million dollars) in the first nine months of 1990, on a total group turnover of 50.35 billion marks, up 4.3 percent. Vw said it sold 2.28 million vehicles in the period, up 2.9 percent, while output rose 4.1 per cent to 2.27

million vehicles.

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#90320d5410 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) - Share prices opened higher on Wall Street Friday with the Dow Jones index of leading industrials gaining 11.63 points to 2,556.68 in the first five minutes of trading.

Thursday the bluechip index closed 14.60 points lower at 2,545.05.

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#90320d5510 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (NOV. 16) - The Kenyan parliament is to debate a bill making drug trafficking an offence punishable by death, a weekly bulletin of the African Church Informations Services (APS) reported here Friday.

The move comes in the wake of revelations that Kenya has become a major route for international drug smugglers and that drug abuse among Kenyan youths is on the rise.

APS quoted a United Nations report that Kenya had a big stake in the estimated 11.5 trillion shilling (500 billion dollar) worth of global illicit drug traffic.

Kenya was singled out as an important route for drugs by the U.N. International Narcotics Control Board, which said heroin, cocaine, mandrax and bhang (cannabis sativa) were the main drugs transitting through the country, APS said.

The head of Kenya's Anti-Narcotics Unit, Peter Kimanthi, said in a recent interview with a local daily that international drug traffickers were entering Kenya disguised as tourists.

In the last three years, Kenyan police seized 4.51 kilogrammes (9.02 pounds) of heroin, 304 grammes (0.66 pounds) of cocaine and over 216 kilogrammes (475.2 pounds) of Mandrax tablets.

The British government, alarmed by the amount of drugs entering Britain from Kenya, have recently sponsored courses, seminars and workshops for Kenya's security personnel and customs officials to help seize the traffickers.

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#90320d5530 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OSAKA, Japan (NOV. 16) - Sumitomo Bank Ltd., a major Japanese commercial bank said Friday it would embark on the reconstruction of the financially ailing

Itoman and Co., a medium-sized trading house here.

Sumitomo Bank President Soto Tatsumi told a news conference that his bank would shortly dispatch five experts, including a director, to Itoman, which has reportedly suffered a huge loss in speculative dealings of real estate.

Itoman was said to be plagued by debts of some 1.3 trillion yen (10 billion dollars).

Sumitomo is the trading firm's main bank.

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#90320d5540 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SARAJEVO, YUGOSLAVIA (NOV. 16) - Bosnia-Herzegovina, whose ethnic tensions are a miniature version of Yugoslavia's, is holding its first postwar elections Sunday, whose outcome is widely viewed as an omen for the future of this increasingly polarized nation.

The elections are the fourth in one of Yugoslavia's six republics and the first in which Moslems will field candidates.

The Moslems, who are Slavic and make up 39 per cent of the population, have formed two parties, and the Orthodox Serbs (32 per cent) and Catholic Croats (18 per cent) each have their own.

Each party is campaigning as the champion of the unity and sovereignty of this republic of four million people.

"Moslems may save Yugoslavia," said Alia Izetbegovic of the Democratic Action Party, one of the two Moslem parties.

He is a proponent of loosening the reins with which the central government in Belgrade controls the six republics and two autonomous provinces.

The Serbs, in whose province Belgrade is located and who have the biggest population, with six million, favour keeping the central government strong.

The Croats side with the Moslems on this issue -- they too want a loose confederation of sovereign states.

Many analysts say the resurgence of ethnic tensions are the result of 45 years of a Communist regime, founded by Marshal Josip Tito, that drew its power from its skill in setting these groups against each other.

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#90320d5590 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 16) - Cambodian resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk told President Suharto of Indonesia on Friday that he saw peace on the horizon for his war-torn nation, despite a row stalling a United nations peace plan.

"We are very near a final solution," the prince said, giving credit to international efforts to end Cambodia's 12-year conflict.

Indonesia holds co-chairmanship with France of Cambodian peace talks.

President Suharto arrived Wednesday on a six-day state visit to China .

Prince Sihanouk also discussed the Cambodian crisis here Thursday with Thailand's Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan.

A United Nations peace plan for Cambodia has been held up by a row over the chairmanship of a Supreme National Council, which would represent Cambodian sovereignty pending free elections.

The tripartite Cambodian resistance, which includes the Khmer Rouge, wants Prince Sihanouk to be named chairman, but rejects a demand by the Phnom Penh government that its Premier Hun Sen be named vice chairman.

(In Bangkok, Thai Foreign Minister Subin Pinkayan said Prince Sihanouk told Mr. Chatichai that if a quick end to the chairmanship feud can be found, he would attend a meeting of all Cambodian factions in the Thai capital Saturday and Sunday.)

Mr. Suharto, the first Indonesian president to come to China in more than two decades, spent part of his Friday visiting the Great Wall, before meeting separately with Prince Sihanouk and Communist Party chief Jiang Zemin. He flies Saturday to the ancient Chinese capital of Xian.

His six-day tour follows the re-establishment of Sino-Indonesian relations in August, ending a 23-year rift that began with Jakarta accusing Beijing of complicity in an abortive 1965 coup attempt.

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#90320d5630 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BY ERSKINE MCCULLOUGH

BANGKOK (NOV. 16) - When the ragged remains of Burma's National League for Democracy (NLD) agreed last week to go along with the ruling junta's vision of the future, the last recognisable sign of opposition was brought under military control.

In only six months the hopes of the country returning to democracy, boosted when the NLD surprised everyone, including themselves, by sweeping the May

elections, have been dashed and locked away like most of the pro-democracy leaders who had dared to challenge for power.

Even the monks, traditionally the driving force for democracy in the country, have been silenced by a series of military sweeps on the more militant monasteries in Mandalay.

Last month scores of monks were arrested and mass defrockings are expected to be carried out. Several monkhoods have been declared illegal and a boycott by monks of the military, which in effect was an excommunication of the soldiers and their families, has ended.

The crackdown has removed any lingering hopes by Rangoon based diplomats and other Burmese observers that the generals who snatched power in a bloody 1988 coup would surrender their grip anytime soon.

While the bloody excesses of the regime recieve widespread condemnation, the military's coffers continue to be filled by international business, which recognises the economic wealth and potential in the country.

European, American, Japanese and South Korean oil companies have all signed contracts with the junta for rights to look for, and then pump out, the high quality oil they are convinced is there.

"Quite simply the oil companies look at Burma as a high risk-high profit investment," explained a Western oil expert based in Bangkok.

"Burmese oil is top quality and the companies are damned sure there is enough of it to make a sizeable profit," he said.

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#90320d5670 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, Germany (NOV. 16) - Industrial production prices in west Germany rose 2 percent last month over the same month last year, the federal statistics office announced Friday.

The increase was mainly due to higher prices for oil products but a drop in prices for some commodities - iron was down 5.8 percent, lead and copper down 12 percent - buffered the overall rise.

Farming commodities slipped between 2.1 and 4.4 percent.

No figures were published for former East Germany.

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#90320d5730 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 16) - The European Economic Community and the United States would continue to seek a compromise on the controversial issue of farm subsidies which threaten to disrupt international GATT trade talks, spokesmen for both sides said Friday.

But U.S. Agricultural Secretary Clayton Yeutter said he was "still very pessimistic" that the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) conference here next month would succeed in lowering barriers to free trade.

Mr. Yeutter said the EEC had not made meaningful concessions on cutting export subsidies for farmers or on throwing open its domestic market to foreign farmers.

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#90320d5760 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 16) - Several thousand French students Friday staged a sit-in on the lawns beside the Eiffel tower in central Paris, amid a massive police presence, witnesses said.

The sit-in, called by the two main student organizing committees, began peacefully under the gaze of security forces stationed under the Eiffel tower, beside Iena bridge spanning the river Seine and around Trocadero located across the river.

Large groups of pupils carrying banners were also marching towards the Champs de Mars where the sit-in was taking place, an AFP reporter said.

Several thousand police were mobilized in Paris and surrounding regions in a bid to prevent the sit-ins degenerating into violence, as happened on Monday during a mass demonstration here by 200,000 pupils.

A group of 600 students meanwhile blocked the cross-Channel ferry by staging an hour-long sit-in at the Calais docks for an hour on Friday, police there said.

In the southern port city of Toulon, about 400 pupils blocked roads and improvised a classroom on the roadway where they held a dictation.

In eastern Montchanin, students delayed the departure of five high-speed trains from the station after blocking the railway line.

Education Minister Lionel Jospin Friday held a second day of talks with student representatives from the coordinating committees, after Prime Minister Michel Rocard agreed to an additional 4.5 billion francs (900 million dollars) in extra credits to meet the students' demands.

The education minister said on Friday that he had agreed to overhaul the

functioning of the French educational system.

The pupils have staged a month-long campaign to ease overcrowding in schools and to demand better security and improved facilities, and ordered Friday's action despite the government's promise of more money for schools.

The student crisis has exacerbated Mr. Rocard's political difficulties. The Socialist prime minister faces a no-confidence vote in parliament on Monday over his plans to push through a controversial welfare tax.

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#90320d5810 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 16) - North Sea Brent crude slipped under the 30-dollar-a-barrel mark on the London market on Friday for the first time in three weeks, as analysts argued that current supplies were adequate and a Gulf war was not imminent.

"The feeling is that there is very little chance of a war in the next few weeks and that supplies will be fine over the winter", Geoff Pyne of UBS Phillips and Drew brokers said.

Brent stood at 29.10 dollars a barrel for shipment in January in early afternoon trading, down 1.3 dollars on Thursday's close.

Saudi Arabia said it could boost production from eight million barrels a day in November to 8.2 million barrels next month.

Even if the figures should be "slightly exaggerated", their influence on the market was accentuated by slack consumer demand in the United States due to high oil prices and unseasonably mild weather, Mr. Pyne added.

U.S. consumption of oil products was 16.37 million barrels a day in the four weeks to November 9, down 5.4 percent from the same period last year, according to recent statistics.

Mr. Pyne expects stable prices for the next two weeks, as long as the United Nations does not vote a resolution authorizing use of force in the Gulf crisis.

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#90320d5830 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 16) - A sino-Canadian team has uncovered dinosaur fossils dating back to the late Cretaceous Period (about 70 million years ago) in northern China's Inner Mongolia autonomous region, Xinhua news agency reported Friday.

Quoting the overseas edition of the ''People's Daily'', the report said that

the fossils included a litter of baby ankylosauruses and two baby ankylosaurus skull fossils, the first ever discovered.

The baby ankylosauruses were about one metre long, one sixth the length of the adult ones.

The investigators had also found ten proteceratops of various ages and three litters of complete protoceratops egg fossils.

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#90320d5840 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LEEDS, ENGLAND (NOV. 16) - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said here Friday he would not challenge Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher for the Tory party leadership but left open the possibility that he would stand if she fails to win in a secret ballot on Tuesday.

Responding to a question on whether he would not under any circumstances compete for the leadership of the Conservative Party and by extension for the office of prime minister, Mr. Hurd, referring to Mrs. Thatcher, answered only that he would not run "against her."

Mr. Hurd, whose name has been mentioned with growing frequency in recent days as a possible successor to Mrs. Thatcher, herself locked in a struggle for the party leadership with former defence secretary Michael Heseltine, pointedly steered clear of ruling himself completely out of any future race.

But he told a news conference here: "I support Mrs. Thatcher. I hope and think on what I have heard, that she will win on the first ballot" between Mrs. Thatcher and Mr. Heseltine, which takes place in the House of Commons Tuesday.

Failure by either contender to win the contest outright would force a second round of voting open to new candidates, possibly including Mr. Hurd, but it remained unclear what Mrs. Thatcher's standing would be after Tuesday's vote.

Mr. Hurd, who has maintained a cautious distance from the political fray since Wednesday when Mr. Heseltine declared his intention to challenge Mrs. Thatcher for the party leadership, said he could not see a way to support the prime minister this week and stop supporting her next week.

In remarks at a luncheon near here later Friday, Mr. Hurd described the party leadership contest as "superfluous and misleading" and said he believed that between 80 per cent and 90 per cent of Conservative MP's supported the government's policy on Europe.

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#90320d5880 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV. 16) - Unified Germany is to continue East Germany's aid program for developing countries, but will remove Cuba from the list, Cooperation Minister Juergen Warnke said Friday.

The Bonn government intends to end agreements with countries that violate human rights and whose governments follow "wrong economic directions," he told the press.

East Germany agreed to give Cuba, a fellow member of the Council for Mutual Economic Assistance (Comecon), 800 million Ostmarks per year in aid, by buying Cuban sugar at way above world prices, he said. form The assistance is equivalent to 533 million dollars at the former official exchange rate of one Ostmark for one Deutsche mark.

The aid will be terminated at the end of the year, Mr. Warnke said.

Analysts said the decision would be a body-blow for the Cuban economy, which is already reeling from low world prices for sugar, its main export, and from declining deliveries of cheap Soviet oil.

The German government will continue assistance and cooperation contracts with other developing countries that help in the fight against poverty, ignorance and ill-health, Mr. Warnke said.

East Germany's development program shrank after the October 1989 revolution. Before the fall of the country's Communist government, 1,170 East German experts were working on projects in 40 Third World countries.

The figure fell to 235 persons, working in 15 countries, when East Germany was absorbed by the Federal Republic of Germany on October 3.

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#90320d5890 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH, GERMANY (NOV. 16) - U.S. troops in Germany on Friday were faced with the threat of a sex strike, more than a military strike, as they prepared for duty in the Gulf.

Three leading women members of Germany's Greens Party urged wives and girlfriends to refuse all sexual contact with their men in order to encourage disaffection with Washington's "murderous" escalation of the crisis.

The three included Jutta Ditfurth, former federal leader of the Greens party, local press reports said.

They are members of the Greens' Bavarian section, which earlier this week called on U.S. troops in Germany to desert rather than serve in the Gulf.

The Greens' headquarters in Bonn also printed handbills calling on German troops to fling down their arms rather than have any involvement in the crisis. Police raided the building.

Mrs. Ditfurth recalled the ancient Greek legend of Lysistrata, who successfully encouraged fellow women to deny conjugal rights to their husbands in order to put an end to a war.

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#90320d5980 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAPE TOWN (NOV. 16) - For the second time in a week, former South African president Pieter Willem Botha has broken his silence to criticise the direction in which the country is going under his successor, Frederik de Klerk.

Addressing a primary school function in Bellville, near here, Mr. Botha said the Afrikaner nation was in a "mangle".

In a clear broadside against Mr. De Klerk, the 74-year-old former leader added: "A true leader does not turn against his own people or seek popularity, but walks out in front."

Known as the "Great Crocodile" for his fiery temperament, Mr. Botha resigned his post in August last year after an acrimonious exchange with Mr. De Klerk, who was then leader of the ruling National Party (NP) and the party's caucus.

He maintained his silence until May, when he announced he was quitting the NP after Mr. De Klerk had led a government team in historic talks with the African National Congress (ANC).

Mr. De Klerk legalised the black nationalist organization in February after a 30-year ban.

In an interview published at the time, Mr. Botha said President De Klerk was taking the country "down the road of gradual abdication".

After that outburst, Mr. Botha retreated once more into silence at his retirement home at Wilderness on the Cape province coast, refusing all media requests for interviews.

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#90320d6020 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (NOV. 16) - South African Foreign Minister Pik Botha arrived Friday in Romania for an unofficial visit, the Romanian news agency Rompres reported.

The aim of Mr. Botha's visits was to "open talks with Romanian authorities to establish direct relations" between the two countries, the agency said.

The Romanian foreign ministry said Mr. Botha would meet Foreign Minister Adrian Nastase.

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#90320d6060 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

THE HAGUE (NOV. 16) - The Netherlands has granted 15 million guilder (nine million dollars) in food aid to famine-stricken Sudan, the Development Cooperation Ministry announced here Friday.

Twelve million guilder (seven million dollars) will serve to buy cereals within the World Food Program and three million guilder (two million dollars) have been earmarked for the air-lifting of food from Nairobi to Juba, in southern Sudan, until the end of the year, a ministry statement said.

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#90320d6080 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 16) - The United States has not yet decided to use force or to ask U.N. Security Council approval for the possible use of force to end the Gulf crisis, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said here Friday.

Addressing a press conference after a ministerial meeting between the United States and the European Economic Community (EEC), Baker said: "No decision to use force has been taken."

He added that Washington was still discussing with its allies whether to ask the United Nations for a resolution authorising force.

Baker said he was pessimistic that a peaceful and political outcome to the Gulf crisis was possible unless Iraqi President Saddam Hussein came to understand clearly that force did remain a credible option.

Therefore the foundation for the use of force needed to be laid. "That is what we would be doing at the U.N. if a resolution sanctioning force was sought, "Baker said in answer to a question whether a rapid attack on Iraq would quickly follow the passing of such a resolution.

The secretary of state said the United States and the EEC agreed on the political importance of maintaining political unity against Iraqi aggression, and on the need to accept nothing less than Iraq's full compliance with U.N. resolutions.

He added that the United States and the Soviet Union were continuing to have "good discussions" on the Gulf.

He said they shared the view that Iraq must not be allowed to extract any

"reward" from its aggression in the Gulf, that there could be no partial solution to the Gulf crisis and that it could not be linked to other issues.

Baker said visits to Baghdad by prominent people aiming to secure the release of hostages "tends to weaken the unity of the extraordinary coalition" ranged against Iraq.

He warned them against allowing themselves to be used by the Iraqi president "to send confusing and mixed messages" into the world.

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#90320d6110 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 16) - Indian Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar on Friday won parliament's mandate for his minority government, nine days after his predecessor was voted out of office.

After a stormy eight-hour debate, parliament adoped a one-sentence resolution 269 to 204 that "this house expresses confidence in the council of ministers."

Mr. Shekhar, who heads the breakaway Janata Dal-Socialist party, was expected to win the confidence vote with the backing of former premier Rajiv Gandhi's Congress (I) party.

Mr. Shekhar made a fervent appeal to Hindus and Moslems to reach a negotiated settlement in their dispute over a holy site in northern India, which has left some 250 people dead in the past month.

Security forces have twice thwarted plans by fundamentalist Hindus to construct a temple on the site of an ancient mosque they tried to demolish in Ayodhya in the northern state of Uttar Pradesh.

Earlier, Mr. Shekhar, a career politician holding his first public office, defended his alliance with the Congress, (I) labelled by critics as opportunistic and "unholy."

Amid shouts of "shame, shame" from his leftist opponents, the former socialist also hit out at his predecessor Vishwanath Pratap Singh, who on November 7 became India's first premier to be voted out of office by parliament.

"I do not have any regret in seeking the Congress (I)'s support," said Mr. Shekhar, who broke away from Mr. V.P. Singh's centrist Janata Dal (People's Party) to create the Janata Dal-Socialist.

Lal Krishan Advani, president of the fundamentalist Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), charged that Mr. Shekhar had neither a popular mandate nor political legitimacy.

The BJP toppled V.P. Singh by withdrawing its support of his government over the temple-mosque dispute.

Mr. Advani said it was the first time that India had a government which neither had an ideology nor a programme.

Somnath Chatterjee of the Communist Party of India-Marxist, bitterly opposed to the BJP, said the Shekhar government was a symbol of "constitutional mockery and debasement of parliamentary democracy."

Friday's was the third emergency session of parliament staged in less than a year to enable a prime minister to test his majority.

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#90320d6250 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 16) - Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak has urged U.S. President George Bush to delay any military option against Iraqi forces in Kuwait for three months to allow Iraqi President Saddam Hussein time to rethink his position.

Mubarak said on his return late Thursday from Damascus and talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad that he had passed the request on to U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, the Egyptian news agency Mena reported.

Once Iraq had withdrawn from Kuwait, a solution to the satisfaction of all parties should be negotiated, he added. A new security structure for the Gulf should be created by Arab states without foreign intervention.

Earlier in Damascus, Mubarak and Assad had issued a joint statement saying an Arab summit on the Gulf crisis was unlikely because of conditions set by Iraq. But they stressed their determination to continue consultations with other Arab leaders.

In Washington, Bush late Thursday demanded once more that Iraq withdraw its forces from Kuwait, release all hostages and lift its restrictions on the U.S. embassy in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

In a Cnn television interview, Bush warned the Iraqi president to heed what he called a ''clear clarion signal''.

''We are deadly serious about seeing you (Saddam) get out of Kuwait and about those hostages, American and others, being free and about the sanctity of our embassy being respected and about the stability of the world economic system '' he warned.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein told an American television audience that his country wants peace but will not capitulate.

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#90320d6330 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (NOV. 16) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, coming under increasing public pressure, indicated Friday that a government reshuffling was in the offing.

Addressing parliamentarians during an emergency debate on the state of the nation, Gorbachev said the Soviet Union was in the grip of a ''power struggle'' with ''destructive forces'' aiming to exploit the crisis.

In a speech following Gorbachev's, Russian President Boris Yeltsin called on deputies to stage a vote of confidence to bring down the government of Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzkhov.

He said an ''extraordinary anti-crisis committee'' comprising representatives of the constituent republics could then take over from the old central government.

On the whole, Gorbachev defended the central government. But he said that some personnel changes were necessary, adding, ''We have reputable experts in mind so that a broad-based government can be established.''

Proposals for remoulding a government dogged by longstanding structural defects would be put forward within the next 10 days, the Soviet president said.

Describing his talks with Yeltsin last weekend, Gorbachev said that despite some differences they had agreed on the need to consolidate forces supporting perestroika reforms. ''Every hour is precious'' in this respect, said Gorbachev.

Yeltsin told the Soviet Interfax news agency Friday that Gorbachev had suggested the formation of a coalition government, adding, ''The president named no mechanism for this although I put a proposal to him.''

During Friday's debate, called after Soviet parliamentarians on Wednesday refused to pass any more bills, Gorbachev called the situation ''very grave'' and cited ''forms of confrontation'' using ''anti-constitutional means''.

He brushed aside repeated criticism that the Kremlin had no recipe for ending the present crisis, declaring: ''We have a programme''.

He said it comprised the phased introduction of a free-market economy, the regulation of relations between the Soviet republics and the overcoming of nationalist conflicts.

''We must now go on the offensive,'' said Gorbachev, attacking Soviet media for predicting food shortages in the coming winter. ''Food supplies are about as large as they were last year.''

Gorbachev also slammed ''the lack of discipline in the republics which has reached a critical stage''. The republics had largely failed to comply with their delivery obligations, he added.

He urged the squabbling Soviet republics to pull together and support a new union of Soviet sovereign republics. The existing union set up in 1922 anchors major power in the Kremlin.

In an apparent reference to some republics that have ignored legislation passed by Kremlin lawmakers, the Soviet president urged a moratorium on decisions flouting Moscow's policy.

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#90320d6380 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV 16) - Israel's army chief of staff, General Dan Shomron, on Friday "reprimanded" the commander of the central Israeli military zone for an Arab infiltration operation Tuesday in which an Israeli soldier was killed, military sources said.

Gen. Shomron also blamed the general commanding the unit charged with security in the area, while the officer directly responsible for the company is to appear before a military court in the next few days, they said.

On Tuesday, an armed infiltrator from Jordan shot and killed an Israeli soldier before being captured by troops near the Adam Bridge that spans the Jordan River on the cease-fire line betwen the two countries.

The 17-year-old Arab was identified as a member of the Moslem fundamentalist group Islamic Jihad (Holy War).

A report made public Friday was handed to Gen. Shomron and Defense Minister Moshe Arens, noting that inexperience and insufficient training of Israeli soldiers posted in that border region contributed to the infiltration.

"Except for the victim, all (soldiers) lacked combat experience and some didn't even know how to use their weapons," the report said. "Moreover, many of them were old reservists."

Israeli militlary authorities on Friday decided to undertake unspecified measures to beef up security along the Israeli-Jordanian frontier, military sources said.

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#90320d6410 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (NOV. 16) - More than a third of new Soviet immigrants in Israel are not Jews and stricter criteria should be introduced, Israel's Minister of Immigration and Absorption said in an interview published Friday.

Yitzhak Peretz, who is visiting Moscow, told the daily Yediot Aharonot that the current law allowing Jews to settle in Israel and become citizens was "too permissive."

He proposed that Israel no longer issue immigration visas to people whose claim to Jewishness was through their paternal grandfather, since according to Jewish law, Jewishness is transferred only through the mother.

Mr. Peretz, who is ultra-orthodox, cautioned against "the real risk of mixed marriages in Israel," adding that the arrival of a third of non-Jewish Soviet immigrants was "a catastrophe for future generations."

The minister's position has angered Uri Gordon, the chief of the immigration department at the Jewish (immigration) Agency, who said the statements endangered immigration from the Soviet Union.

Left-wing parties in Israel have called for Mr. Peretz' resignation, while a newly arrived immigrant said bitterly: "In Russia, we were treated as Yids (Jews), but here we're not considered to be Jewish."

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#90320d6440 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN (NOV. 16) - Iran's Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati on Friday denied reports that his country's policy regarding the United States had been altered, adding that it will remain unchanged so long as Washington maintains its hostile attitude towards Iran.

Mr. Velayati told the official IRNA news agency that reports published in the U.S. and Turkish media saying President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani had asked his Turkish counterpart last weekend to intercede between Teheran and Washington were false.

Mr. Rafsanjani and Turkish leader Turgut Ozal met here at length on November 10 to discuss the Gulf crisis sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Velayati said suggestions of a Turkish mediation effort were not even broached.

On Tuesday, U.S. President George Bush extended a "national emergency" with Iran that was first declared on November 14, 1979, after the hostage taking at the U.S. embassy here.

The emergency measure, which has been extended each year since the hostages were seized, grants the president the authority to take whatever steps he deems necessary to secure Iran's adherence to the agreements reached in January 1981, at the end of that hostage crisis.

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#90320d6450 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV 16) - Differences between the United States and the European Economic Community (EEC) were still overshadowing international trade talks, spokesmen for the two sides said here Friday.

But, speaking at a press conference after a twice-yearly EEC-U.S. ministerial meeting, they said they were continuing their search for a compromise on the controversial issue of farm subsidies.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, leading the U.S. delegation to the talks, said many problems remained to be settled before the scheduled start of a General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) conference here December 3.

The conference, which aims at lowering barriers to trade, is threatened by the issue of high EEC farm subsidies. The United States and other countries accuse the EEC of proposing grossly insufficient cuts in such subsidies.

Mr. Baker said both sides were committed to "intensive high-level discussions" before the start of the week-long GATT conference on December 3.

But U.S. Agricultural Secretary Clayton Yeutter said he was "still very pessimistic" because the EEC had not made concessions on cutting farm export subsidies or on throwing open its domestic market to foreign farmers.

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#90320d6460 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (NOV. 16) - Nigeria's former petroleum resources minister, Professor Tam David-West, was Friday sentenced to 10 years imprisonment by a special military tribunal for ''contributing to Nigeria's economic adversity.''

The former minister, who has been standing trial since September 12 for acts bordering on economic sabotage, was sentenced to a total of 20 years, 10 years on each of the two charges. But he will spend only 10 years in jail since the sentences are to run concurrently.

Professor David-West, a virologist, was charged with contributing to the country's economic adversity while a minister by ''curruptly enriching Stinnes Interoil Inc., a U.S-based oil company, to the tune of 57,117,443 U.S. dollars, being money owed to the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (Nnpc) for

lifting Nigerian crude oil.''

In his judgement, the tribunal chairman said the former minister was guilty of abuse of office by single-handedly conceding 57 million dollars to Stinnes Interoil Inc. without any mandate or written approval from the president.

The chairman said the tribunal took judicial notice of the economic situation in the country between January 1984 and January 1986, when the offence was committed, adding that the tribunal had no doubt that by his act, the former minister contributed to the economic adversity of the country.

The tribunal had agreed with the prosecution that the ex-minister curruptly enriched Stinnes by receiving bribes from the company's representatives ''in the form of friendship, having received a wrist watch, a dinner and some cups of coffee.''

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#90320d6600 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 16) - Several dozen people skirmished with police on Friday following a sit-in by thousands of students on the lawns beside the Eiffel tower in Paris.

Rioters used slings and catapults to fire projectiles at security forces guarding the demonstrations, then fled when the police answered with tear-gas grenades and a charge.

The incidents occurred after student organizers had called for the sit-in to break up peacefully.

The sit-in, called by the two main student organising committees, began peacefully under the gaze of security forces stationed under the Eiffel tower, beside the Iena bridge spanning the river Seine and around the Trocadero Palace on the other side of the river.

Several thousand police were mobilised in Paris and surrounding regions for the demonstration.

Police officials had refused to authorize a march, allowing only a static demonstration in a bid to prevent the protests from degenerating into violence, as happened on Monday when a march here by 200,000 students ended with youth gangs looting stores, burning cars and injuring 234 police.

Earlier Friday, a group of 600 students blocked the cross-Channel ferry by staging an hour-long sit-in at the Calais docks, police there said.

In the southern port city of Toulon, about 400 pupils blocked roads and improvised a classroom on the roadway where they held a dictation.

In eastern Montchanin, students delayed the departure of five high-speed trains from the station by blocking the rail line.

Meanwhile, Education Minister Lionel Jospin held a second day of talks with student representatives from the coordinating committees, after Prime Minister Michel Rocard agreed to grant an additional 4.5 billion francs (900 million dollars) in extra credits to meet the students' demands.

The education minister said on Friday that he had agreed to overhaul the functioning of the French educational system.

The pupils have staged a month-long campaign to ease overcrowding in schools and to demand better security and improved facilities, and ordered Friday's action despite the government's promise to provide more money.

The student crisis has exacerbated Mr. Rocard's political difficulties. The Socialist prime minister faces a no-confidence vote in parliament on Monday over his plans to push through a controversial welfare tax.

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#90320d6620 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV 16) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

	cash		forward	
Copper	1,334.00	(1,339.00)	1,322.50	(1,333.00)
Lead	367.00	(366.00)	369.75	(370.25)
Zinc Hg	1,292.50	(1,297.50)	1,274.00	(1,271.00)
Tin	6,200.00	(6,150.00)	6,197.50	(6,157.50)
Aluminium	1,585.50	(1,643.00)	1,618.00	(1,667.50)
Nickel	8,837.50	(8,825.00)	8,512.50	(8,512.50)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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OTTAWA (NOV. 16) - Canada's trade surplus continued to grow in September, reaching 1.48 billion dollars (1.27 billion U.S.), up from 679 million dollars (584 million U.S.) in August, while inflation rose in October to a 4.8 percent annual rate, Statistics Canada announced Friday.

Positive trade figures were linked to a drop to 10.76 billion dollars (9.25 billion U.S.) in imports in September compared to 11.14 billion dollars (9.58 billion U.S.) in August, due largely to a decline in car imports.

Exports rose to 12.24 billion dollars in September (10.53 billion U.S.) up from August's 11.8 billion (10.15 billion U.S.), as Canada's oil and natural gas exports increased to compensate for production loss caused by the crisis in the Gulf.

The increase in Canada's trade surplus with the United States, its principal business partner, rose to 708.2 million dollars (609 million U.S.) in September.

Inflation increased at a 4.8 percent annualized rate in October, its highest level since April.

With figures adjusted for seasonal variations, retail prices for October were up 0.7 percent against a 0.4 percent rise in September, the federal statistics bureau said.

The greatest price increases were registered in the transportation sector, due to fuel costs inflated by the Gulf crisis, and in the hotel industry in the wake of annual land tax increases.

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#90320d6780 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORTLAND, OREGON (NOV. 16) - The National Council of Churches, representing some 42 million U.S. Christians, has called for the United States to pull its troops from the Gulf region and work towards a negotiated settlement to the dispute with Iraq.

The council passed a resolution saying that only troops dispatched by the United Nations should remain in the region. The resolution sharply criticized what it called the U.S. Government's "reckless rhetoric," "imprudent behavior" and excessive deployment of military forces to the Gulf.

In calling for direct negotiations with Iraq, the council said Thursday: "All around us seemingly impregnable walls are being broken down and deep historical enmities are being healed. And yet, ironically, at such a moment our own nation seems to be poised at the brink of war in the Middle East."

The council speaks on behalf of some 42 million U.S. Christians including most of the nation's mainstream Christian denominations.

On Friday the president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, Archbishop Daniel Pilarczyk, presented President George Bush with a letter suggesting that the Gulf crisis might well fall short of the traditional Catholic concept of "just war."

But the bishops stopped short of demanding U.S. troop withdrawal from the Gulf

region.

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#90320d6810 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV 16) - President George Bush leaves here Friday to take part in the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe's (CSCE) summit in Paris, looking to bid a final farewell to the Cold War and celebrate the triumph of Western ideas in "a Europe whole and free."

The U.S. president intends to argue at the 34-nation summit for a continued vital role for his country in Europe and for a reinvigorated CSCE to remain pragmatic, non-bureaucratic and separate from a strong North Atlantic Treaty Alliance (NATO).

During his Sunday to Wednesday stay in Paris, Mr. Bush will experience first-hand the positive effects of the new post-Cold War era: every European country (even Albania attending as an observer) plus the United States and Canada united in their determination to definitively push beyond 45 years of East-West divisions.

The summit will provide an upbeat prelude to Mr. Bush's visit to the Gulf region next Wednesday through Friday, when he will review U.S. troops deployed against Iraq.

On this second leg of his trip, the U.S. president will get a personal view of the first post-Cold War conflict and its dangers.

A year and a half ago, Mr. Bush traveled through Europe praising the coming of a "a Europe whole and free." According to a senior U.S. official, the summit represents the "fulfillment" of this idea, in three acts.

Mr. Bush will start out by signing the first treaty reducing conventional forces in Europe (CFE). This accord, which will slash the enormous conventional advantage once held by the Warsaw Pact, is viewed as "the essential foundation on which greater European cooperation is going to have to rest," U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said.

So vital is the accord in U.S. eyes that Mr. Bush had set its signature during the CSCE summit as a precondition for his attendance.

The U.S. president will then sign a non-agression declaration between members of the Warsaw Pact and NATO which, in Mr. Baker's words, will "bury the Cold War hatchet."

Lastly, Mr. Bush will put his signature on the final document produced by the CSCE summit, which Mr. Baker said this week would open "new doors to a future of democracy and cooperation."

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#90320d6860 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMSTERDAM (NOV 16) - Energie Beheer Nederland B.V. (EBN B.V.), a state-owned Dutch corporation with holdings in the energy sector, began issuing one billion guilders (595 million dollars) in commercial paper on Friday, according to ABN-AMRO Holding, which is handling the operation.

EBN was created in 1973 under the name of DSM Aardgas BV. After privatization of the DSM chemical company in 1989, all of the shares of DSM Aardgas BV were handed over to the state, which continued to operate the company under the name of EBN B.V.

EBN B.V. participates on behalf of the state in production consortiums and in the treatment and sale of oil and natural gas. The firm holds 40 per cent of the natural gas distribution company Nederlandse Gasunie.

Income from the commercial paper program will be used for general financing, ABN-AMRO said.

The program is the first on this scale to be carried out jointly by the banks ABN and AMRO since they merged in August.

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#90320d6870 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRETORIA (NOV. 14) - South African Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok lifted the declared "state of unrest" on Friday in a number of black townships near Johannesburg with immediate effect.

Mr. Vlok said in a statement this meant that the only areas in which there were states of unrest were Wynberg in Cape Town and in Pretoria's Atteridgeville and Sauseville townships, the country's recent flashpoint.

Declarations, such as the one just lifted by Mr. Vlok, vastly expand the powers of the security forces and enable the minister to impose curfews on areas where he deems it necessary.

The state of unrest and curfews no longer applied in the country's largest black township near Johannesburg, Soweto, Meadowlands, Diepkloof, Dobsonville, Alexandra, Sharpville, Sebokeng, Evaton, Bophelong, Mohlakeng, Bekkersdal, Kagiso and Munsieville, Mr. Vlok said in a statement.

Mr. Vlok expressed his appreciation to the residents who had co-operated with the police during the period of unrest.

He said, however, he would not hesitate to re-impose the state of unrest

wherever there was danger or threat to the maintenance of law and order.

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#90320d7000 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LIMA (NOV 16) - About 140 passengers narrowly escaped tragedy when a powerful bomb exploded in the train car they were preparing to board in Peru's southeastern Andes mountains, police said Friday.

At least a dozen people were injured by the force of the blast late Thursday in the town of Juliaca, near Lake Titicaca. The railway car was demolished by the explosion, police said.

The passenger train was travelling from Cuzco in the eastern Andes to the southern city of Arequipa when it arrived in Juliaca and was emptied of passengers for routine servicing before continuing on to Arequipa.

The bomb exploded as passengers awaited a call to re-board the train, police said.

Police did not speculate officially on who may have been responsible for the bombing.

But authorities announced the arrest in Arequipa of six members of the leftist Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement, which has been blamed for carrying out 15 dynamite attacks in the southern Andean region. It was not immediately clear if the arrests were linked to the Juliaca attack.

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#90320d7010 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV 16) - NATO is to seek more assurances from the Soviet Union that it is not trying to evade disarmament obligations by moving massive amounts of arms east of the Ural Mountains, a NATO source said here Friday.

He said that the movements of armaments, including latest-generation T-72 tanks, east of the Urals meant they would be excluded from being counted under the Conventional Forces in Europe (CFE) treaty to be signed in Paris on Monday.

The source, a senior official of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, said that although NATO had already been given "certain guarantees" that Moscow was not trying to bypass the treaty by moving the weapons, it wanted more.

The CFE treaty, to be signed by countries of NATO and the Warsaw Pact, covers Europe from the Atlantic Ocean to the Ural Mountains.

The NATO official said it was "perfectly legitimate" for Moscow to move weapons beyond the Urals before the signing of the treaty, so they would not

have to be destroyed.

But he said the Soviet Union had assured NATO that it would not use these armaments to circumvent the treaty or set up a staging area for new strategic reserves.

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#90320d7190 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 16) - The United States has entered a period of "very slow growth" but is not headed for a recession, senior officials of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) said Friday.

The latest OECD projections, as quoted by the officials, indicate that the sharp rise in oil prices due to the Gulf crisis will result in a moderate temporary slowdown in the 24 OECD countries as a group next year.

The OECD expects average growth of 2.75 percent in the OECD countries this year, falling off to 2.0 percent in 1991 and recovering to 2.5 percent in 1992.

Before the Gulf crisis, the organization foresaw growth of about 2.9 per cent this year and next year, down from the 1989 rate of 3.6 percent.

The new projections, presented to a meeting of the organization's high-level Economic Policy Committee (EPC) on Thursday and Friday, forecast a moderate one percentage point rise in consumer price inflation to 5.7 percent next year before an easing in 1992.

The committee saw continued buoyancy in Western European economies and Japan but sluggish growth in North America and Britain, the EPC's German deputy chairman Bernhardt Molitor told reporters.

He said disparities between the two groups of countries that had been evident in the spring, before the Gulf crisis, had become "more pronounced."

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#90320d7250 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) - President George Bush's approval rating, on the decline since a record-high 76 percent soon after the Gulf crisis began August 2, has dropped below 50 percent for the first time, a new poll said Friday.

The survey by the Times-Mirror Center for People and The Press showed the lowest approval rating since Mr. Bush took office in January of last year.

His approval rate had slipped to 68 percent in September and to 55 percent last month.

The latest survey, conducted among 1,208 adults earlier this month, indicated that 30 per cent disapproved of Mr. Bush's handling of government while 21 percent had no opinion.

The opinion poll also shows that following the November 6 mid-term elections, Mr. Bush leads New York Governor Mario Cuomo -- a possible Democratic contender for the 1992 presidential elections -- 50 to 37 percent.

After the 1986 mid-term elections, Democratic presidential hopeful Gary Hart led then vice president Bush by 51 to 38 percent. Four years earlier, former Democratic vice president Walter Mondale was ahead of then president Ronald Reagan by 52 to 40 percent.

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#90320d7260 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV 16) - China and the Marshall Islands agreed on Friday to set up diplomatic relations, the official New China News Agency (NCNA) said.

Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen and his Marshall Islands counterpart Tom Kijiner signed a joint statement establishing ties at the ambassadorial level beginning on Friday "in conformity with the interests and common desire of the two peoples," according to NCNA.

Ruled by Germany from 1885 to 1914, Japan until 1944 and the United States from 1947, the tiny Pacific archipelago became independent in 1986.

Since June 1989, Beijing has broken relations with six countries that set up ties with its nationalist rival Taiwan: Grenada, Belize, Liberia, Lesotho, Guinea-Bissau and Nicaragua.

It has established ties recently with Saudi Arabia and Singapore, and resumed relations with Indonesia after a 23-year break.

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#90320d7320 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 16) - Former Israeli prime minister and current opposition leader Shimon Peres said Friday that the Gulf crisis should be solved before the Palestinian issue.

Speaking to reporters after a 45-meeting with French President Francois Mitterrand, Mr. Peres said he thought it was wrong to try and link the two issues.

He described himself as "pessimistic" regarding prospects for a peaceful solution in the Gulf, adding that Iraqi President "Saddam Hussein thinks everybody is like him."

Mr. Peres said the question of an international conference on the Middle East was not discussed in his talks with Mr. Mitterrand.

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#90320d7500 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (NOV 16) - Canada's United Nations ambassador Yves Fortier Friday acknowledged that a special Security Council session was being considered to review the authorization of use of force against Iraq.

No decision has yet been made on meeting plans, Mr. Fortier said.

The meeting could adopt a resolution on the use of force to drive Iraq from Kuwait, and Mr. Fortier stressed that this was being demanded by the United States.

While the United States exercises the rotating Security Council presidency in November, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker should be able to boost U.S. leverage and convince the council's member states to agree to such a meeting in conversations this weekend in Europe.

The issue of use of force against Iraq should figure prominently in this week's discussions in Paris between U.S. President George Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on the sidelines of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe summit will be held.

In an interview in Friday's New York Times, special Soviet envoy Yevgeny Primakov expressed concerns about the rapid use of force.

Mr. Primakov said that "if there is to be a Security Council resolution on military force, then you should act immediately. If you adopt it without action, you send the wrong signal."

China, which like the Soviet Union, the United States, France and Britain enjoys Security Council veto power, has made known its reservations about authorizing use of force to solve differences between nations.

Chinese Foreign Affairs Minister Qian Qichen, back from a tour of several Mid-Eastern states, in Iraq stressed China's policy repeatedly, in spite of the fact that the U.N. charter permits the use of force in certain cases.

These remarks have been interpreted by U.N. diplomats as a likely abstention on China's part should a vote be held to authorize the use of force against Iraq.

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#90320d7990 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 16) - Ambassadors from Islamic and other Third World countries urged the U.N. Security Council Friday to force Israel to obey the Geneva Conventions in its treatment of Palestinians.

Colombia, Cuba, Malaysia and Yemen proposed a resolution calling a meeting of the 164 signatories of the 1949 Geneva Convention to discuss the situation of Arabs living on land taken by Israel in 1967, and deploying U.N. troops to the occupied territories.

Tunisia's Representative, Ahmed Ghezal, said it was the responsibility of the Security Council to convince Israel to follow the 1949 Geneva Convention concerning treatment of civilians in wartime.

Testimony began October 5.

And Mr. Ghezal backed the suggestion of Malaysia's ambassador, Musa Hitam, who called for U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to convene a meeting of all of the accord's signatories.

Israel had rejected a similar plan, when it was first suggested after the October 8 killing of at least 18 Palestinians in Jerusalem.

Libya's ambassador, Ali Treiki, and Syria's Dia Allah El-Fattal said they backed the plan.

The 15-member Security Council will consider the proposal early next week, diplomatic sources said.

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#90320d8080 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) - President George Bush left Friday on a one-week trip that is to include a European summit and a visit with U.S. forces in the Gulf.

Mr. Bush made no comment to reporters as he left the White House for the short helicopter ride to Andrews Air Force Base outside the city and the start of his transatlantic journey. He had spent the day conferring with advisers on the meetings that await him abroad, and managed to squeeze in some jogging.

The U.S. deployment in the Gulf and the strengthening of the international coalition forged to compel an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait top the agenda of Mr. Bush, who is to meet with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in Paris.

Mr. Bush's first stop is Prague, where he arrives Saturday to celebrate the first anniversary of the so-called Velvet Revolution that led to the installation of democracy in Czechoslovakia.

After a stopover in Germany, Mr. Bush will participate in a Paris summit of the 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe and sign an East-West accord slashing conventional force levels in Europe.

On the sidelines of the Paris gathering Mr. Bush is due to meet with heads of state or government to discuss boosting pressure against Iraq and the possibility of a United Nations resolution specifically authorizing the use of force against Baghdad.

From Paris the U.S. president will move on to Saudi Arabia, where he will meet with government officials and celebrate Thankgiving Day Thursday with U.S. troops in the Gulf. He is to return to Washington Saturday after a brief stopover in Cairo.

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#90320d8140 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 16) - A Belgian trawler with six crew on board was reported missing in the North Sea late Friday, coastguards at Yarmouth, eastern England, said.

A combined search by British and Dutch military planes failed to find any trace of the missing ship. The search was called off at dusk and was to resume Saturday.

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#90320d8200 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (NOV 17) - Lebanon's principal Christian militia group is to delay its pullout from Beirut, threatening to hold up a complete deployment of the Lebanese army throughout the city by Monday.

A Christian leader linked to the militia, Mounir Hajje, said late Friday that conditions for the withdrawal of the Lebanese Forces militia had not yet been satisfied.

Lebanese Defense Minister Albert Mansour last Tuesday gave all militia groups until Saturday to remove their forces from the greater Beirut area to prepare the way for Lebanese army deployment by Monday.

Mr. Hajje, vice-president of the Kataeb Party, speaking after a meeting with Lebanese President Elias Hrawi, said the Lebanese Forces had decided to delay their pullout "for a while."

He did not say when they would be prepared to leave.

Lebanon's Shiite Moslem and Druze militia have complied with the government's order to remove their arsenals from the capital and its outskirts.

Mr. Hajje said that there been continued attacks against Christian residents in the Metn area outside Beirut, which had been held by troops loyal to General Michel Aoun before his ouster last month by Syrian troops.

Pro-Syrian militia entered Metn area in the wake of Gen. Aoun's expulsion, but a security committee named to oversee the disarmament of the Metn region said the militia had been evacuated by Friday.

In another development, the Syrian military command here on Friday announced that two rival Shiite militia groups had agreed to allow the deployment of the Lebanese army near the southern port of Sidon.

Leaders of the pro-Syrian Amal militia and the pro-Iranian Hezbollah group gave their "complete and unconditional" approval to the plan to move government troops into the mountainous area which they have disputed for more than two years, the Syrian command said.

Early Friday, some 800 Lebanese soldiers arrived in Sidon to act as a backup force to troops which will be deployed in the Iqlim at-Touffah region southeast of Sidon.

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#90320e0015 11/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

TOKYO (NOV 16) EFE - Vice President of the Cuban Council of State Carlos Rafael Rodriguez has said his country is suffering the worst economic crisis since the 1959 revolution that brought the communists to power.

In statements published Friday in Japanese newspapers, Rodriguez, who was in Tokyo for the enthronement of Emperor Akihito, blamed lower sugar production and the falling value of the U.S. dollar -- leading to less revenue from exports -- for the crisis.

He said the situation had been aggravated by upheavals in the Soviet Union and in eastern Europe, Cuba's main trading partners and providers of aid., he said they could only be improved if Washington lifts the economic blockade it has imposed on Cuba and gives back the military base it holds at Guantanamo on the eastern tip of the island.

In talks with Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu on Thursday, Rodriguez discussed repayment of Cuba's dlrs 385 million debt to Japan, the increase of Japanese tourists to Cuba and bilateral relations.

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#90320e0016 11/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SANTIAGO (NOV 16) EFE - Detectives Friday shot dead a young convicted

police-killer sprung from prison two days ago by members of his leftist guerrilla group, police said.

Two detectives were also wounded in the night shoot-out after police tracked ultra-Marxist Lautaro Youth Front rebel Marco Ariel Antonioletti, 21, to his hiding place in the poor western Santiago suburb of Guacolda.

Antonioletti, the group's second-in-command, was sprung from captivity Wednesday when Lautaro Youth Front rebels opened fire on a van in which he was traveling.

Three prison officers and a paramilitary policeman who were guarding him were killed. A fourth prison guard and a female rebel were seriously injured in the attack.

The woman, abandoned by the rebels as they fled, was later named as 37-year-old Marcela Rodriguez Valdivieso, dubbed the "machine-gun woman" by Chilean media due to her alleged involvement in armed attacks over the last two years.

The Lautaro group surfaced in the late 1980s during the military dictatorship of Gen. Augusto Pinochet and has continued its activities since democratically-elected President Patricio Aylwin took office in March.

Lautaro guerrillas frequently attack businesses and banks and have broken into pharmacies to steal contraceptives which they have then distributed in working-class neighborhoods.

In the last year, the group has killed at least 11 military policemen in urban ambushes. It has not claimed responsibility for Wednesday's attack.

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#90320e0017 11/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MANAGUA (NOV 16) EFE - The Nicaraguan leftist opposition Sandinistas have decided to back their former Contra enemies in a battle to persuade the government to fulfill promises made when the rightist guerrillas demobilized earlier this year, a Sandinista leader said.

The Contras have been demanding the conservative government of President Violeta Chamorro provide jobs, land, and food, promised in exchange for disarmament.

National Sandinista Liberation Front (FSLN) leader Luis Carrion said the group supported these "legitimate demands."

But Carrion slammed Contra leader Aristides Sanchez, who was arrested Thursday for maintaining contact with officials in the United States embassy.

The U.S.-backed Contra guerrillas fought a bloody 10-year civil war against the ruling FSLN until the leftist party was voted out of office in elections last February.

Twenty-four people have died in recent months and dozens have been wounded in Contra protests to press the Chamorro regime to fulfill its pledge to help the 21,500 former rebels reintegrate themselves into civilian life.

The Contras completed demobilization at the end of June but have not received the social concessions promised them by Chamorro.

The conflict has escalated since the beginning of November with the Contras and their supporters blocking a major highway and occupying public buildings to pressure the govenment into fulfilling the accords.

The death toll from the protests reached 24 on Tuesday when four people died in a battle with the police in Sebaco, 100 km north of Managua.

Their protest has been backed by some 20 mayors in central Nicaragua who say the Contra demands are just, although the government has dismissed the mayors' involvement as politically motivated.

The United States, which organized and financed the Contras, has granted dlrs 16.5 million to the demobilization program, of the dlrs 30 million approved by Congress, International Commission of Support and Verification (CIAV) coordinator Santiago Murray said.

The cash was was being used to pay for food, clothing, building materials and transport for 1,700 refugees, Murray said.

A government aide recently described another dlrs 30 million handed out by the Organization of American States for the rehabilitation program as "hardly adequate."

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#90320e0038 11/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

VATICAN CITY (NOV. 15) EFE - Pope John Paul II is to meet Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in the Vatican this weekend, a Papal spokesman said Friday.

"The Soviet President has asked the Holy Father to grant him an audience" during Gorbachev's one-day visit to Rome on Sunday, spokesman Joaquin Navarro Valls said.

Gorbachev is also due to sign a Friendship and Cooperation Treaty with Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti.

The Vatican meeting is the second to be held between the Soviet leader and the Pope.

Following their historic first meeting last December, Gorbachev announced the reestablishment of relations between the Vatican and the Soviet Union.

Although the Vatican has not said what the meeting will involve, the Gulf Crisis and the rapid changes in Eastern Europe were thought to be high on the agenda.

The Milan daily Corriere della Sera newspaper said the Pope and Gorbachev would also discuss the future of Catholic churches in the Soviet republics of Ukraine, Lithuania, Latvia and Byelorussia, and a possible papal visit to the Soviet Union.

After the Vatican meeting, Gorbachev and Andreotti are due to sign the Friendship and Cooperation Treaty which will involve Italian investments in the Soviet Union of some dlrs 3.1 billion.

The two leaders are also to sign eight bilateral protocol agreements, one environment agreement and two Italian credits with a global value of some dlrs 1.1 billion.

Interior Ministry sources said the two leaders would deliver a joint declaration after signing the accords.

Before leaving Rome, Gorbachev is to receive the Premio Fiuggi of dlrs 416,000 from the Fiuggi foundation for his "exceptional activity in favour of Human Rights".

The Soviet leader will then go to Paris for Monday's 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

-30- 2033

#90320e0046 11/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LONDON (NOV. 16) EFE - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd, tipped as a possible candidate in a bitter contest for the leadership of the ruling Conservative Party, on Friday refused to rule himself out of the race.

While Hurd has not registered for the contest, his supporters have said he might mount a challenge if next Tuesday's first round results humiliate Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and force her resignation as party leader.

Speaking Friday in the northern city of Leeds, Hurd said he would be prepared to join a leadership race in the future but at the same time expressed his support for Thatcher.

Hurd said Thatcher was the best person to lead the party and that he was sure she would beat her dissident challenger, former defense minister Michael Heseltine, in the first round of voting by the 372 Conservative deputies Tuesday.

But he did not rule out the possibility of joining the contest if Tuesday's result was inconclusive and damaging enough to Thatcher to push her into resigning before a second round vote, thus opening the way for Hurd's candidacy.

Thatcher loyalists have stressed she will fight the contest to the end.

Cabinet members have backed her leadership but some, including Hurd, have refused to say no other cabinet minister will join the race at any stage.

For first round victory under the complex voting rules to decide the Conservative leadership, either Heseltine or Thatcher will have to win at least half of the votes of the 372 deputies and at least 56 votes more than their rival.

Heseltine is thought unlikely to win outright but if the vote brings a large number of abstentions and Thatcher stands down, observers said Hurd would be seen as a good candidate to re-unite the party after the current damaging split.

-30- 2000

#90320e0050 11/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (NOV 16) EFE - Former Argentine president Raul Alfonsin Friday announced his party was pulling out of talks with the government on constitutional reform.

Alfonsin, who heads the leading opposition Radical Civic Union party (UCR), said the changes being proposed by the government of President Carlos Menem would damage the rule of law in Argentina.

Alfonsin said his party opposed Menem's economic policies and the +high-handed way the president implemented them by decree+.

Menem has called for reducing the presidential period of office from six to four years, as well as allowing two consecutive terms in power, neither of which have been well received by the various opposition parties taking part in talks on changing the 1853 constitution.

Alfonsin's UCR wants to set up a prime ministerial post, which in turn has been flatly rejected by Menem.

-30- 1057
#90320e0052 11/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV 16) - The International Monetary Fund Friday said nations severely affected by the Persian Gulf crisis would now have access to emergency funds.

The Board of Executive Directors Thursday unanimously approved a financial aid program for front-line countries such as Jordan, Egypt and Turkey, and other nations affected by the crisis.

Stand-by loans and other emergency aid would be available to those nations starting Friday, the IMF said.

The 22-member Board of Executive Directors representing 155 member nations said the effects of the crisis had +increased the vulnerability of the world economy and intensified the difficulties facing several Fund member nations+.

Morocco, Pakistan, Sudan, Bangladesh, India, the Philippines and Sri Lanka, whose citizens have had to leave the Middle East following Iraq's August invasion of Kuwait, will all benefit from the program.

Aid will also go to the Dominican Republic and other Latin American countries which do not have sufficient funds to weather the drastic effects of soaring oil prices triggered by the crisis.

-30- 1284
#90320f1876 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
OMAHA (NOV. 16) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 25; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 1,700; barrows and gilts 1.00 lower. U.S. 1-3 220-260 lbs. 50.00-50.50. Sows not established.

-30- 345
#90320f1878 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

-30- 404
#90320f1882 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 73.80-76.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 121.00-128.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 40.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $205.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $414.50-$425.00; dealer- approx., $418.50-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 293.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

-30- 1547
#90320f1907 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $380.40, silver base of $4.16 and platinum price of

$422.90:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$396.10	393.70
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	203.20	202.00
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	104.40	103.70
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.10	42.90
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	396.10	399.70
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	203.20	205.10
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	104.90	104.20
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.10	43.50
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	402.50	400.00
China Panda .50 troy oz.	207.40	206.00
China Panda .25 troy oz.	107.50	107.00
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.40	46.20
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.70	27.60
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	396.20	394.20
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	202.50	201.40
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	102.30	101.80
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.10	43.80
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	394.70	392.70
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	204.30	203.30
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	104.90	104.40
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.60	44.40
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	394.50	392.50
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	202.50	201.80
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.10	86.60
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.10	44.80
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.00	23.90

N.A. - No Quote.

Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.56	$5.57
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,190	$3,220
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	439.00	429.00
Isle of Man Noble	436.00	426.00
Canada Maple Leaf	447.00	437.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

-30- 2478
#90320h0128 11/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
HAVANA (NOV. 16) XINHUA - CUBA IS PLANNING TO ESTABLISH A RESEARCH AND DOCUMENTATION CENTER TO BOOST TOURISM IN LATIN AMERICA, AN INTERNATIONAL TOURISM OFFICIAL ANNOUNCED THURSDAY.

AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE THURSDAY, THE PRESIDENT OF THE WORLD ASSOCIATION FOR THE FORMATION OF TOURISM PERSONNEL (AMFORT), GIUSSEPPE LOY-PUDDU, SAID THE REGION WAS CURRENTLY ONE OF THE GREATEST TOURIST ATTRACTIONS IN THE WORLD, AND NEEDED AN INSTITUTION TO MAP OUT THE FUTURE OF THE INDUSTRY.

THE FACT THAT THE CREATION OF A TOURISM RESEARCH CENTER AND THE CELEBRATION OF THE NINETH AMFORT CONGRESS HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED TO COINCIDE HERE IN CUBA IS DUE TO THE NEED FOR THE FIRST-HAND UNDERSTANDING OF THE REALITIES OF LATIN AMERICA LOY-PUDDU SAID.

TOURISM, HE ADDED, WAS NOT JUST AN ECONOMIC STIMULATOR BUT AN ESSENTIAL TOOL FOR REGIONAL INTEGRATION.

AMFORT, AN ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN 1969 TO STANDARDIZE THE TECHNIQUES OF PERSONNEL TRAINING IN THE TOURISM SECTOR, CONSISTS OF SOME 25 COUNTRIES AND 400 INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS.

SO FAR, SOME 340 REPRESENTATIVES FROM 23 COUNTRIES HAVE COMMITTED THEMSELVES TO ATTENDING THE CONGRESS SCHEDULED HERE ON NOV. 19-24.

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#90320h0130 11/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NAIROBI (NOV. 16) XINHUA - KENYA AND INDONESIA ARE DETERMINED TO WORK CLOSELY TO PROMOTE BILATERAL TRADE, THE "DAILY NATION" REPORTED TODAY.

THE NEWSPAPER TODAY QUOTED CHAIRMAN OF THE KENYA NATIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, FRANCIS MACHARIA, WHO JUST HELD TALKS WITH INDONESIAN AMBASSADOR TO KENYA, DALINDRA MAMAN, AS SAYING THAT THEY AGREED THAT THERE SHOULD BE A REGULAR EXCHANGE OF TRADE MISSIONS AND PARTICIPATION IN EACH OTHER'S CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES.

THE CHAMBER'S CHAIRMAN SAID THEY BELIEVED THAT THE POTENTIAL FOR KENYA AND INDONESIA TO DEVELOP A MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL TRADE RELATIONSHIP IS GREAT.

MACHARIA SAID THAT IT IS TIME FOR THE THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES TO PROMOTE A GREATER SOUTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE SO THAT THEY COULD SPEAK WITH ONE EFFECTIVE VOICE ON ECONOMIC MATTERS AFFECTING THEM.

KENYAN EXPORTS TO INDONESIA EARNED THE COUNTRY 36.7 MILLION KENYAN SHILLINGS

(ABOUT 1.5 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) AND IT IMPORTED GOODS WORTH 38.4 MILLION KENYAN SHILLINGS FROM INDONESIA IN 1989.

THE GOODS KENYA EXPORTS TO INDONESIA INCLUDE NATURAL SODIUM CARBONATE, WATTLE EXTRACT, BASKETS AND OTHER HANDICRAFTS WHILE INDONESIA'S EXPORTS TO KENYA INCLUDE NATURAL RUBBER, RUBBER PRODUCTS, NATURAL RESIN ACIDS, YARN, RIBBON, PALM OIL AND FERTILIZER.

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#90320h0134 11/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 16) XINHUA - KENYA HAS PLANNED TO PRODUCE 600,000 TONS OF TEA AND 800,000 TONS OF SUGAR BY THE YEAR 2000, THE KENYAN NEWSPAPER "THE STANDARD" REPORTED TODAY.

THE NEWSPAPER QUOTED MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE, ELIJAH MWANGALE, AS SAYING THAT THE KENYAN GOVERNMENT HAS MAPPED OUT A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM TO MAKE THE COUNTRY SELF-SUFFICIENT IN FOOD AND INCREASE ITS FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNING.

THE MINISTER SAID THAT ADEQUATE RESTRUCTURING OF THE TEA INDUSTRY HAS BEEN UNDERTAKEN AND PLANS TO BUILD EIGHT NEW FACTORIES FOR THE BOOST OF THE TEA PRODUCTION ARE UNDERWAY.

TWO MORE SUGAR FACTORIES WILL BE PUT UP SOON TO INCREASE THE COUNTRY'S SUGAR PRODUCTION, HE SAID.

MWANGALE SAID THAT THE PROGRAM HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE WORLD BANK FOR FUNDING.

TEA IS THE SECOND LARGEST, ONLY AFTER TOURISM, FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNER IN THIS COUNTRY. IT EARNED THE COUNTRY 4 BILLION KENYAN SHILLINGS (ABOUT 180 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN 1989.

LAST YEAR, THE COUNTRY EXPORTED 163,000 TONS OF TEA OF ITS OUTPUT OF 400,000 TONS.

-30- 1192

#90320k0021 11/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 16) KYODO - THE HYUNDAI BUSINESS GROUP WILL DEVELOP OIL FIELDS IN KALMYK, AN AUTONOMOUS REPUBLIC OF THE SOVIET UNION, THE GROUP'S HONORARY PRESIDENT SAID FRIDAY.

CHUNG JU YUNG SAID HYUNDAI WILL SEND A FACT-FINDING GROUP TO KALMYK, LOCATED NEAR THE CASPIAN SEA, IN DECEMBER TO CHECK SUCH ASPECTS AS THE AMOUNT OF OIL RESERVES.

THE PROSPECTS FOR SENDING NATURAL GAS THROUGH PIPELINES CROSSING NORTH KOREA

HAVE BECOME BRIGHTER BECAUSE OF SOVIET PLANS TO EXTEND PIPELINES SUCH AS THE ONE IN YAKUTSK AS FAR AS VLADIVOSTOK BY THE END OF NEXT YEAR, CHUNG SAID.

IN ADDITION, CHUNG SAID, THE NORTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR IN THE SOVIET UNION, HAD BEEN QUOTED AS SAYING THAT THERE IS NO REASON TO OPPOSE THE PIPELINE PROJECT, IN TALKS WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE SOVIET GAS COMPANY.

-30- 952

#90320k0026 11/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 16) KYODO - JAPANESE BUSINESS EXECUTIVES EARNED AN AVERAGE ANNUAL INCOME OF 17.58 MILLION YEN DURING ONE YEAR FROM JULY 1989 TO JUNE 1990, UP ABOUT 3.9 PERCENT FROM A YEAR BEFORE, ACCORDING TO A SURVEY RELEASED BY A PRIVATE LABOR RESEARCH INSTITUTE FRIDAY.

OF THE FIGURE, ANNUAL SALARY PER EXECUTIVE AVERAGED 13.90 MILLION YEN AND TWICE-A-YEAR BONUSES ACCOUNTED FOR 3.68 MILLION YEN, THE SURVEY BY THE INSTITUTE OF LABOR ADMINISTRATION SAID.

IN THE SURVEY, CONDUCTED FROM SEPTEMBER TO OCTOBER, QUESTIONNAIRES WERE SENT TO 2,840 LARGE COMPANIES, OF WHICH 102 RESPONDED.

COMPANY PRESIDENTS REPORTED AN AVERAGE INCOME OF 32.50 MILLION YEN ANNUALLY, VICE PRESIDENTS 26.50 MILLION YEN, MANAGING DIRECTORS 22.50 MILLION YEN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS 17.50 MILLION YEN, AND DIRECTORS 12.80 MILLION YEN, THE SURVEY SAID.

RETIREMENT ALLOWANCES FOR EXECUTIVES AVERAGED 34.58 MILLION YEN, ACCORDING TO THE REPORT.

PRESIDENTS AND VICE PRESIDENTS OF COMPANIES RECEIVED AN AVERAGE 92 MILLION YEN IN RETIREMENT ALLOWANCES, MANAGING DIRECTORS 52.36 MILLION YEN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS 31.88 MILLION YEN, DIRECTORS 27.33 MILLION YEN, AND AUDITORS 14.01 MILLION YEN, THE REPORT SAID.

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#90320k0060 11/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 16) KYODO - NEC CORP. SAID FRIDAY IT WILL START A JAPANESE-ENGLISH MACHINE TRANSLATION SERVICE OVER ITS PERSONAL COMPUTER NETWORK ON DECEMBER 21.

ANYBODY WHO IS A MEMBER OF NEC'S PC-VAN PERSONAL COMPUTER NETWORK OR BUSINESS PC-VAN CORPORATE USERS' NETWORK CAN SEND MATERIAL TO A TOKYO-BASED TRANSLATION FIRM, IBS CO., THROUGH THOSE NETWORKS, ACCORDING TO NEC OFFICIALS.

THE TRANSLATION FIRM WILL TRANSLATE JAPANESE TO ENGLISH OR VICE VERSA USING MACHINE TRANSLATION SOFTWARE WITH AN 800,000 WORD DICTIONARY -- CLAIMED TO BE

THE LARGEST OF ITS KIND FOR A COMMERCIAL MACHINE TRANSLATION SYSTEM.

IBS MACHINE TRANSLATION SERVICES WILL COVER 28 FIELDS RANGING FROM INFORMATION PROCESSING TO MEDICINE.

CHARGE FOR UP TO TWO PAGES IN EITHER JAPANESE TO ENGLISH OR ENGLISH TO JAPANESE TRANSLATION IS 3,000 YEN. FOR THREE PAGES OR MORE, JAPANESE TO ENGLISH TRANSLATION WILL COST 1,500 YEN PER PAGE, AND ENGLISH TO JAPANESE 1,200 YEN. ONE PAGE OF JAPANESE-ENGLISH COUNTS AS 180 TRANSLATED ENGLISH WORDS, WHILE A PAGE OF ENGLISH-JAPANESE COUNTS AS 360 JAPANESE WORDS.

TRANSLATION WILL BE DONE WITHIN 24 HOURS, EXCEPT FOR SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS, THE COMPANY SAID, ADDING THAT IT WILL BE TWICE AS FAST AND HALF AS EXPENSIVE AS WORK DONE BY A HUMAN TRANSLATOR.

ABOUT 182,000 PRIVATE USERS AND ABOUT 60 CORPORATE USERS WITH 7,000 EMPLOYEES BELONG TO THE TWO COMPUTER NETWORKS, AND NEC EXPECTS SOME 2,000 OF THEM TO USE THE NEW SERVICE.

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#90320k0063 11/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 16) KYODO - AVON PRODUCTS, INC., A MAJOR U.S. COSMETICS MANUFACTURER, WILL LAUNCH DOOR-TO-DOOR SALES IN CHINA'S GUANGDONG PROVINCE, THE HONG KONG ECONOMIC JOURNAL REPORTED FRIDAY.

IT IS THE FIRST TIME THAT A COSMETICS COMPANY HAS BEEN PERMITTED TO DO DOOR-TO-DOOR SALES IN CHINA.

AVON PRESIDENT JAMES E. PRESTON ANNOUNCED PLANS TO EMPLOY 4,000 SALESWOMEN TO SELL 80 KINDS OF LOW-PRICED COSMETIC PRODUCTS IN GUANGDONG, THE NEWSPAPER SAID.

IF SALES SUCCEED, THE COMPANY WILL ADVANCE INTO THE REST OF CHINA, EVENTUALLY INCREASING THE NUMBER OF SALESWOMEN TO TWO MILLION, THE PRESIDENT WAS QUOTED AS SAYING.

THIS WEEK, AVON PRODUCTS WILL BEGIN OPERATIONS OF A COSMETIC FACTORY IN GUANGZHOU, THE CAPITAL OF GUANGDONG, IN A 1 MILLION DOLLAR JOINT VENTURE WITH CHINA.

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#90320k0068 11/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 16) KYODO - DESPITE EARLIER WORRIES CONCERNING THE SUPPLY OF KEROSENE THIS WINTER, JAPANESE INDUSTRY OFFICIALS SAY THEY MAY BE FACING AN OVERSUPPLY OF THE FUEL.

THE OFFICIALS SAY THE EXTENDED FALL IS THE BIGGEST REASON, IN ADDITION TO AN

INCREASE OF KEROSENE PRODUCTION FOR FEAR OF SHORTAGES DUE TO THE GULF CRISIS.

THE OIL INDUSTRY IS CARRYING A LARGE AMOUNT OF KEROSENE STOCK, WHILE PRICES ARE IN DECLINE.

JAPAN RELIED ON KUWAIT FOR 873,000 KILOLITERS OF ITS KEROSENE SUPPLY IN FISCAL 1989, OR 12 PERCENT OF ITS TOTAL KEROSENE OILIMPORTS, BUT IMPORTS FROM KUWAIT CAME TO A HALT AFTER IRAQ INVADED THE COUNTRY ON AUGUST 2.

THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) HAD ADVISED THE OIL INDUSTRY TO INCREASE PRODUCTION BY 11 PERCENT IN THE LATTER HALF OF LAST FISCAL YEAR, TO COPE WITH POSSIBLE KEROSENE SHORTAGES THIS WINTER.

JAPAN'S KEROSENE CONSUMPTION USUSALLY BEGINS TO RISE IN NOVEMBER AS THE COUNTRY ENTERS THE WINTER SEASON.

THIS YEAR, HOWEVER, THE RELATIVELY WARM WEATHER HAS KEPT A LID ON CONSUMPTION, WHILE STOCKS WITHIN THE INDUSTRY AND THE MARKET HAVEKEPT ON RISING.

THE OIL INDUSTRY NOW HAS 6.2 MILLION KILOLITERS OF KEROSENE IN STOCK AND THERE IS A MILLION MORE IN THE MARKET. THE FIGURE IS ABOUT 900,000 KILOLITERS MORE THAN AT THE SAME TIME LAST YEAR, THE INDUSTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

WITH WEAKENED DEMAND, PRICES BEGAN TO FALL. IN SINGAPORE, THE MID-OCTOBER SPOT PRICE FOR KEROSENE WAS AROUND 70 DOLLARS PER BARREL, BUT THE PRICE WAS DOWN TO THE 47 DOLLAR LEVEL ON TURSDAY.

THE DOMESTIC PRICE OF KEROSENE FELL TO THE 45 YEN LEVEL PER LITER FROM 56 YEN IN MID-OCTOBER.

''IF THE TEMPERATURE IS UP 1 DEGREE CENTIGRADE DURING THE WINTER, CONSUMPTION OF KEROSENE DROPS BY 7 PERCENT,'' SAID AN OFFICIAL WITH NIPPON OIL CO.

THE INDUSTRY OFFICIALS SAY THEY ARE NOW WORRIED THAT THEY MAY BE LEFT WITH A HUGE AMOUNT OF SURPLUS KEROSENE NEXT SPRING.

-30- 2089

#90320k0083 11/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 16) KYODO - CARGILL NORTH ASIA CO., A TOKYO SUBSIDIARY OF THE U.S. GRAIN TRADING FIRM CARGILL, SAID FRIDAY THAT IT IS ENTERING THE MEAT PROCESSING FIELD IN JAPAN IN A JOINT VENTURE WITH SHOWA SANGYO CO.

THE JOINT VENTURE, CARGILL FOODS JAPAN, WILL BE SET UP THIS MONTH TO PRODUCE HAMBURGER AND STEAKS FOR SUPPLY TO FAMILY RESTAURANTS AND FAST-FOOD OUTLETS, AHEAD OF JAPAN'S LIBERALIZATION OF BEEF IMPORTS NEXT APRIL.

THE NEW FIRM WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 50 MILLION YEN, OF WHICH 66.7 PERCENT WILL

BE PROVIDED BY CARGILL NORTH ASIA AND THE REMAINING 33.3 PERCENT BY SHOWA SANGYO.

THE JOINT FIRM WILL BUILD A MEAT PROCESSING PLANT NEXT TO A REFRIGERATED WAREHOUSE INSIDE THE COMPOUND OF SHOWA SANGYO'S FUNABASHI PLANT IN CHIBA PREFECTURE, EAST OF TOKYO.

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#90320k0088 11/16/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (NOV. 16) KYODO - SUMITOMO BANK SAID FRIDAY THE BANK HAS DECIDED TO EMBARK ON THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE FINANCIALLY AILING ITOMAN AND CO. BY SECONDING FIVE SUMITOMO OFFICIALS, INCLUDING ONE FROM DIRECTOR LEVEL, TO THE TROUBLED OSAKA-BASED TRADING HOUSE.

THE RESCUE PLAN FOR THE MEDIUM-SIZED TRADER BY SUMITOMO BANK, ITOMAN'S MAIN BANK, WAS UNVEILED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE BY SUMITOMO BANK PRESIDENT SOTOO TATSUMI.

ANALYSTS SAID THE MOVE WOULD MEAN THAT SUMITOMO BANK WILL TAKE A DECISIVE ROLE IN IMPROVING ITOMAN'S POOR FINANCIAL SITUATION, WHICH RESULTED FROM RECENT EXTENSIVE EXPOSURE TO SPECULATIVE REAL ESTATE DEALINGS.

ITOMAN, CURRENTLY AT THE CENTER OF A FINANCIAL SCANDAL, IS REPORTED TO BE BEING PLAGUED BY DEBTS OF UP TO 1.3 TRILLION YEN.

AMONG THE FIVE SUMITOMO OFFICIALS TO BE SENT TO HELP REBUILD THE TROUBLED TRADING FIRM ARE YASUYOSHI SOGO, NOW THE BANK'S MANAGING DIRECTOR AND THE MANAGER OF THE NAGOYA BRANCH, TATSUMI TOLD REPORTERS.

THE OTHER FOUR WORKING-CLASS PERSONNEL WILL TAKE CHARGE OF FINANCIAL PLANNING AND OTHER KEY SECTIONS OF THE TRADING COMPANY.

SOGO WILL BE ASSIGNED A POSITION AS ADVISER TO ITOMAN, WHICH TATSUMI DESCRIBED AS "NEARLY EQUAL TO VICE PRESIDENT" OF THE COMPANY.

SOGO WILL ASSIST ITOMAN'S PRESIDENT, YOSHIHIKO KAWAMURA, IN STREAMLINING THE COMPANY'S EXCESSIVE REAL ESTATE-LINKED FINANCING AND INVESTMENT, WHICH FORM THE CORE OF THE COMPANY'S HEAVY FINANCIAL BURDENS, SUMITOMO OFFICIALS SAID.

ALL FIVE PERSONNEL WILL BEGIN WORK TO BAIL OUT THE DEBT-STRAPPED ITOMAN FROM NEXT MONDAY.

TATSUMI ALSO SAID THE OVERALL RESCUE PLAN FOR ITOMAN HAS ALREADY BEEN EXPLAINED TO OFFICIALS OF THE BANK OF JAPAN AND THE FINANCE MINISTRY.

ASKED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF SOGO BEING APPOINTED AS ITOMAN'S PRESIDENT IN THE FUTURE, TATSUMI SAID SUCH A DECISION HAS YET TO BE MADE.

KAWAMURA, SPEAKING AT A SEPARATE NEWS CONFERENCE IN OSAKA, TOLD REPORTERS THAT SOGO WILL REMAIN AN ADVISER TO ITOMAN AT LEAST UNTIL MARCH 1991.

KAWAMURA ALSO SAID THAT HE IS NOT CONSIDERING RESIGNING FROM ITOMAN. THE FIRM IS STILL IN A GOOD FINANCIAL SITUATION, HE SAID.

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TOKYO (NOV. 16) KYODO - AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE PREMIUMS WILL BE LOWERED NEXT APRIL IN THE FIRST CUT SINCE THE INSURANCE BEGAN IN 1956, AS A GOVERNMENT ADVISORY PANEL FRIDAY REACHED A TENTATIVE AGREEMENT ON A REDUCTION.

THE COMPULSORY AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE COUNCIL ALSO AGREED ON AN INCREASE IN THE UPPER LIMIT OF THE INSURED AMOUNT PAYABLE IN CASE OF DEATH CAUSED BY AN AUTO ACCIDENT, CURRENTLY SET AT 25 MILLION YEN.

A MAJORITY OF THE ADVISORY PANEL TO FINANCE MINISTER RYUTARO HASHIMOTO WAS IN FAVOR OF A CUT OF ABOUT 5 PERCENT IN PREMIUMS, AND AN INCREASE IN THE UPPER LIMIT OF THE INSURED AMOUNT TO 30 MILLION YEN.

THE COUNCIL, AT ITS NEXT MEETING ON NOVEMBER 29, WILL REACH A FORMAL AGREEMENT AND RECOMMEND THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE MINISTER, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE OFFICIALS SAID SINCE PREMIUMS HAVE BEEN RAISED THERE HAS BEEN NO DECREASE IN THE RATE OF ACCIDENTS. HOWEVER, THE INSURANCE ACCOUNT, WHICH TURNED INTO THE BLACK IN FISCAL 1985, IS PROJECTED TO POST A CUMULATIVE SURPLUS OF ABOUT 500 BILLION YEN AT THE END OF FISCAL 1990 OR MARCH 31 NEXT YEAR, AS A RESULT OF A MARKED INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF VEHICLES IN RECENT YEARS.

THE PRESENT PREMIUM ON A PRIVATELY OWNED CAR IS 41,850 YEN UNDER A TWO-YEAR CONTRACT.

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TOKYO (NOV. 16) KYODO - SUMITOMO MARINE AND FIRE INSURANCE CO. ON FRIDAY ANNOUNCED THE CREATION OF A JOINT INSURANCE FIRM IN JAKARTA WITH N.V. POOL ASURANSI INDONESIA.

SUMITOMO OFFICIALS SAID IT HAS SET UP THE JOINT FIRM, SINCE IT IS CERTAIN THAT A LARGE NUMBER OF JAPANESE ENTERPRISES WILL START OPERATIONS IN INDONESIA IN THE YEARS AHEAD.

THE OFFICIALS SAID SUMITOMO'S REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN THE INDONESIAN CAPITAL HAS SO FAR OFFERED INSURANCE SERVICES TO CLIENTS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH POOL.

THE JOINT FIRM, P.T. ASURANSI SUMITOMO MARINE AND POOL, IS CAPITALIZED AT 15 BILLION RUPIAH, OF WHICH 80 PERCENT IS PROVIDED BY SUMITOMO AND THE BALANCE BY POOL.

MASAMI OISHI, HEAD OF SUMITOMO'S REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN JAKARTA, IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE NEW FIRM, WHICH WILL START BUSINESS NEXT JANUARY.

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TOKYO (NOV. 16) KYODO - JAPANESE AUTHORITIES AGREED FRIDAY WITH THREE SCANDINAVIAN STATES THAT THE NUMBER OF FLIGHTS BETWEEN TOKYO AND COPENHAGEN VIA SIBERIA BY SCANDINAVIAN AIRLINES SYSTEM (SAS) BE INCREASED BY ONE TO THREE PER WEEK FROM NEXT FEBRUARY.

MEANWHILE, THE FREQUENCY OF SAS FLIGHTS BETWEEN TOKYO AND COPENHAGEN THROUGH ANCHORAGE WILL BE REDUCED FROM THREE TO TWO FLIGHTS FROM FEBRUARY.

SAS IS THE JOINT FLAG CARRIER FOR SWEDEN, DENMARK, AND NORWAY.

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TOKYO (NOV. 16) KYODO - JAPAN DECIDED FRIDAY TO EXTEND SOME 29 BILLION YEN (ABOUT 224 MILLION DOLLARS) IN EMERGENCY COMMODITY CREDIT TO TURKEY AS PART OF ITS CONTRIBUTION TO INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS TO RESTORE PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, THE GOVERNMENT SAID.

THE JAPANESE AND TURKISH GOVERNMENTS EXCHANGED LETTERS THE SAME DAY FORMALIZING THE CREDIT.

TERMS CALL FOR AN INTEREST OF 1 PERCENT PER ANNUM, AND A REPAYMENT PERIOD OF 30 YEARS, INCLUDING A GRACE PERIOD OF 10 YEARS.

THE CREDIT IS OF THE GENERAL, UNTIED TYPE. OFFICIALS SAID THE INTEREST ON SUCH A CREDIT IS USUALLY 2.9 PERCENT, BUT THAT THE INTEREST HAS BEEN SET AT A VERY LOW 1 PERCENT FOR POLITICAL REASONS.

THE CREDIT IS BEING GRANTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A PROMISE MADE BY PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU EARLY IN OCTOBER WHEN HE VISITED TURKEY DURING HIS MIDEAST TOUR. AT THE TIME KAIFU PLEDGED TO EXTEND 200 MILLION DOLLARS IN COMMODITY CREDIT TO THAT COUNTRY, SUFFERING ADVERSE ECONOMIC EFFECTS FROM IRAQ'S INVASION AND ANNEXATION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

THE GOVERNMENT WILL OFFER SIMILAR CREDITS SOON TO EGYPT AND JORDAN, ALSO SUFFERING FROM THE GULF CRISIS, OFFICIALS SAID.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 16) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

PRICE INDEX for October rose 0.6%, or 0.3% if food and energy were excluded. The consensus estimate of economists polled by "Dow Jones Capital Markets Report" was for a 0.7% increase, or a 0.4% increase minus food and energy. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that the merchandise trade deficit declined to $9.41 billion in September, from a revised $9.73 billion in August. ... COMMERCE reported yesterday that inventories of manufacturers, retailers and wholesalers rose 0.5% in September, while revenue fell 0.5%.

The Nikkei is down 316 points. ... The FTSE is little changed in early afternoon trading. ... U.S. stocks in London are down 1/8-1/4 point, led lower by MCI and other telephone issues. ... The dollar is higher and bonds are unchanged with the long yield around 8.53%. ... North Sea crude is down 80 cents to $29.50. ... DONALD TRUMP misses a $47.3 million interest payment on TAJ MAHAL bonds. ... UAL completes a $400 million agreement to acquire PAN AM's core London routes. ... A jury has awarded $45.3 million in damages to three former LOCKHEED employees who claimed they were wrongfully fired for questioning the reliability of the C-5B cargo plane. ... CAMPBELL SOUP CO. reports record per-share earnings of 82 cents for the quarter ending Oct. 31, up 28%.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

MCI COMMUNICATIONS says it will eliminate about 1,500 jobs nationwide over the next six months.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I think we're headed to Dow 2800, maybe even new highs," says MARK LEIBOWITZ, editor of the "Volume Reversal Survey." "I think what we've experienced since July is a correction in a bull market, not the beginning of a bear market as many of my colleagues would say." Since the series of declines began, internal market indicators such as the advance-decline statistics have been rising. "This pattern mirrors the 1982 pattern - this is bull market phenomenon." His work tells him "smart money is buying and has been buying all summer." (CNN "Business Day", 11/16

"I'm of the opinion that the market bottomed on Oct. 11," says ED YARDENI, chief economist at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. "For the purposes of the stock market, the recession is over when the Federal Reserve starts pushing interest rates down." (WSJ, 11/16)

"I think we could have a modest correction at these levels, but I'm bullish

because the tone of the market has been particularly good and a number of the uncertainties of a month or two months ago are somewhat resolved," says MICHAEL CARTY at VALUELINE INC. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/15)

"As far as we can see it, the bear has just about run its course," says IDS ADVISORY of Minneapolis. "Enough was enough already," says DAN DONOVAN, who manages about $700 million of IDS's $3 billion in assets. He looks for a mild brief recession, oil prices falling to the low $20-a-barrel range, low inflation and falling interest rates. ("USA Today", 11/16)

FROM THE BEARS:

"We're still in a bear market and you've got to be out of your mind to run after any stock," says STAN WEINSTEIN, publisher of the "Professional Tape Reader" newsletter. "We may be in a financial crisis," says MARC HOWARD of JRO ASSOCIATES. "Besides, business is terrible, the consumer isn't buying and real estate prices are going down. The latest rally is more of a one-night stand than a love affair. It's just about over." ("USA Today", 11/16)

STOCK MARKET:

"We think the damage to the market, which was mostly manifested by the Mideast crisis, has more than discounted this recession and we are now taking a somewhat more aggressive mode to the securities market," says GEORGE ZIMMERMAN director of research at GRUNTAL & CO. "We think we have had a rolling recession since the second or third quarter of 1989 ... and will probably come out of it by the end of the second quarter." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/15)

"The answer to the question facing the market - has the Fed eased? - - is an unequivocal 'maybe,'" says HUGH JOHNSON at FIRST ALBANY CORP. "Unfortunately, we're going to have to wait another day to get a definitive answer." Either way, he says sock and bond prices are likely to fall in the near-term. "It's a classic case of 'buy the rumor, sell the news,'" he says. (WSJ, 11/16)

Sentiment readings are still positive for stocks, says MICHAEL BURKE of "Investors Intelligence." While the Dow could see more lows, downside is limited, says Burke who is encouraged by the Dow transportation average's failure to confirm the last low in the DJIA. "The bulls now have the ball, but [the] big problem we see is weakness in the U.S. dollar," says Burke. Nonetheless, he has moved to a 75% invested position. (CNBC "World Business", 11/16)

"We are still getting help from the interest rate front," says CHARLES CLOUGH JR. at MERRILL LYNCH. "We need more help from that or some clarification of what is going on in the economy." He says the Fed "probably" will ease, but does not predict when that will happen. (NYT, 11/16)

"There are a lot of bears, a lot of shorts, out there who want to see the

market go lower, but it just won't," says ROB KING, co-manager of over-the-counter trading at ROBINSON-HUMPHREY. (WSJ, 11/16)

Stocks will trace a relatively neutral trading range in the weeks ahead, according to technical analysis by SMITH BARNEY's ALAN SHAW. He believes a base building process is underway: "Recent rally [failures] actually may be strengthening the technical underpinnings." However, Shaw thinks the underlying trend is still "vulnerable." (CNBC "World Business", 11/16)

STOCK TIPS:

"We're gradually working back into the market," says MARSHALL ACUFF, portfolio strategist at SMITH BARNEY where the equity allocation this week was raised from 45% to 50%. "We're not getting super bullish at this point, but we're saying to our clients, let's go look at some individual, quality stocks." Among cyclical issues, he likes DOW and GM. In the technology area, he suggests INTEL and IBM, which he calls his current favorite stock. He says Big Blue's product positioning is the best in ten years, the benefits of cost cutting are being realized, and the company is very strong financially. (CNBC "World Business" 11/16)

"We would be aggressive buyers of some of the cyclical issues," says GEORGE ZIMMERMAN at GRUNTAL & CO. "I don't want to name them right now, but conceivably that's the place to go. Many brokerage houses in late 1989 suggested that the cyclicals be bought and the consumer stocks be dumped. That was a mistake. Now we think the converse is true." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/15)

"EASTERN will be around well into 1991 - and if my judgment is right, we'll be around after that," says EASTERN AIR LINES trustee MARTIN SHUGRUE JR. ("The Washington Post", 11/16)

The "Heard on the Street" column in "The Wall Street Journal" examines whether copper stocks are a good buy in a recessionary environment. WILLIAM HARNISH, president of FORSTMANN-LEFF ASSOCIATES, says people focus on the United States when looking at copper companies even though "80% of the demand is outside the U.S. Japan, Europe and Third World countries are all sources of demand. Even Russia for that matter." His company owns more than a million shares of MAGMA. DREYFUS FUND has purchased at least 300,000 shares of PHELPS DODGE this year. "We see heavy demand for copper," explains WOLODYMYR WRONSKYJ, the fund's portfolio manager. "The Pacific rim is rapidly industrializing. Phelps Dodge is the best vehicle, because it is all cooper and it is the lowest cost producer. LISA ARNOLD, metals analyst for INDEPENDENCE INVESTMENT ASSOCIATES in Boston, says: "Earnings will not tank the way they did before, with the currency where it is. As long as the dollar keeps crunching down, it helps keep [copper] companies profitable." On the bearish side, RONALD SHORR at BEAR STEARNS says long-term growth in world demand for copper is only 1.5% a year and that he would not be surprised to see copper prices fall to 50

cents a pound from the current $1.20. (WSJ, 11/16)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

HUGH JOHNSON at FIRST ALBANY CORP. notes there are those "who feel the Fed may have decided not to change policy but to hold the line and preserve its credibility as an inflation fighter." (NYT, 11/16)

"I think the Fed is easing," says PHILIP BRAVERMAN, chief economist at DKB SECURITIES. (WSJ, 11/16)

"I don't think the Fed eased," says ROBERT CHANDROSS, chief economist at LLOYD'S BANK. "If they had wanted to signal an easing, they would have done it unambiguously. The fact that [Fed] funds traded firmly all day suggests that they didn't ease." (NYT, 11/16)

THE ECONOMY:

"I'd like to be a little reassuring on this economy," PRESIDENT BUSH says in a "CNN" interview. "I am concerned about a slowdown. ... But I am not a gloom and doom person on where the American economy will be before long. And yet I don't want to mislead you, because I am concerned that we're in a downturn here." (CNN, 11/15)

What should the president do about the economy? "My advice would be 'When you ride a roller coaster, you just sit down and hang on,'" says ROBERT BRUSCA at NIKKO SECURITIES. "I don't think the recession is that deep," says JON DOUGLAS of JON DOUGLAS CO., a Los Angeles real estate company. "I'd tell him to loosen credit," says WILLIAM DEAN SINGLETON, co-owner of "The Houston Post" and "The Denver Post." ("USA Today", 11/16)

EVELINA TAINER, economist at the FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO, says the 0.5% increase in business inventories in September is "consistent with the idea that the economy is sliding into a recession and growth will be negative in the fourth quarter." ("The Washington Post", 11/16)

"This isn't a classic recession whereby the cyclical manufacturing sector takes a big dive and springs back," says GARY CIMINERO, economist at FLEET/NORSTAR FINANCIAL GROUP. "It will take a longer time to work out of this" because of overvalued real estate, overleveraging by corporations and over-lending by banks. (WSJ, 11/16)

"I think the recession has begun this quarter and its going to last a lot longer than people think," says DAVID JONES, chief economist for AUBREY G. LANSTON. "A normal recession is one year - this one may still last two years." While protracted, the recession is not expected to be deep, says Jones. With recessionary psychology setting in ahead of the actual recession, Jones says consumers have cut back spending plans and businesses have already pared inventories: "That gives us a little bit of downside protection." Jones looks for a one quarter point cut in the fed funds rate before the end of the month. (CNN "Business Morning", 11/16)

FRANCIS SCHOTT, chief economist for EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY, looks for a relatively mild recession "because there are some elements of strength that we can count on. First, one assumes the Gulf situation will be settled and, assuming it is to our reasonable satisfaction, then consumer confidence would bounce back. The plunge in consumer confidence is really what has caused this recession. Secondly, I think our exports are strong and will get stronger yet because of the depreciating dollar. And I think agriculture has gotten over its slump and is doing quite well - as is manufacturing. The weakness you see in construction, particularly residential housing and commercial construction, should not be the final say in what happens to the economy. It will be slow to get out of the recession, but I think it will be over in late 1991." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/15)

"We're just bouncing around in a range [on oil prices] and there's no real news or headlines to give us direction," says BRIAN TAGLER of LEHMAN BROTHERS. (NYT, 11/16)

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RICHMOND, VA. (NOVEMBER 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Reynolds Metals Company (NYSE: RLM) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 45 cents a share on the company's common stock, payable December 28 to stockholders of record November 30.

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ZURICH, SWITZERLAND (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The ABB Asea Brown Boveri Group (ABB) reported today that orders received for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to $21.3 billion, an increase of 34 percent compared to last year (nine months 1989: $15.9 billion). Excluding acquisitions, divestitures and exchange rate fluctuations, growth was approximately 7 percent. Substantial increases in orders received were reported by the power plants, industry,

transportation, and environmental control business segments.

During the third quarter, several large orders were booked: in the environmental control segment a $205 million order was received for a paint finishing facility in Canada, and the power plant segment booked three orders for gas-fired combined cycle power plants, two from Korea and one from the United Kingdom.

Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $18.8 billion, which was 34 percent above last year (nine months 1989: $14.1 billion). Excluding acquisitions, divestitures and exchange rate fluctuations, revenues increased by 3 percent. The order backlog on Sept. 30, 1990, was $24.9 billion.

ABB Group operating earnings after depreciation for the first nine months of 1990 totaled $1.2 billion, an increase of 42 percent compared to last year (nine months 1989: $844 million). Earnings after financial items amounted to $749 million, an increase of 23 percent, compared to $610 million for the first nine months of 1989. In the third quarter, earnings after financial items amounted to $260 million, 21 percent higher than in the third quarter last year (third quarter 1989: $214 million).

Strong earnings growth was reported by the power transmission, power distribution, environmental control, and financial services business segments whereas the transportation segment reported lower earnings. The Combustion Engineering operations, which have been consolidated since Jan. 1, 1990, continue to develop according to plan and restructuring is well under way. Including acquisition costs, Combustion Engineering made a negative contribution to earnings after financial items.

Income before taxes amounted to $746 million. A temporary increase in the group's tax rate for 1990 is expected.

So far, developments in the Middle East have had a limited direct impact on ABB. However, a slowdown of the economy is evident in several countries, and demand has weakened both for standard products and capital goods. ABB is preparing for this reduced demand. At the same time, infrastructure investments in certain types of power plants, in transportation, and in environmental control are growing.

Compared with 1989, earnings after financial items for the full year are expected to increase roughly in line with the growth achieved in the first nine months of 1990.

The ABB Group provides products and services for the power, process, industrial automation, environmental control, transit and other markets worldwide. It is the world's leading electrical engineering company with total annual sales of about $25 billion and 217,000 employees in 140 countries.

ABB ASEA BROWN BOVERI GROUP
Consolidated Income Statement
(Dollars in millions)

	9 months 1990	9 months 1989	1989
Revenues	$ 18,843	$ 14,113	$ 20,560
Manufacturing, selling and administration costs	(17,069)	(12,869)	(18,754)
Depreciation of fixed assets	(576)	(400)	(549)
Operating earnings after depreciation	1,198	844	1,257
Earnings from associated companies (A)	51	--	21
Dividend income	12	7	8
Interest income	681	412	641
Interest on advances	(229)	(228)	(300)
Interest expense	(971)	(463)	(731)
Exchange differences	7	38	26
Earnings after financial items	749	610	922
Nonrecurring items	(3)	(9)	(11)
Income before taxes	746	601	911

(A) -- No corresponding figure available for nine months 1989. The equity accounting method was introduced for the full year 1989.

NOTE: Exchange rates used in the above income statement are average for the respective period. The average exchange rates for the Swiss franc and the Swedish krona are stated below:

	9 months 1990	9 months 1989	1989
1.00 U.S.$ equals SFr.:	1.42	1.63	1.62
1.00 U.S.$ equals SKr.:	6.02	6.43	6.41

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#90320p7749 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

FREMONT, CALIF. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Lam Research Corp. (NASDAQ: LRCX) announced today that it received an order for Phase I plasma etch systems slated for Motorola's (NYSE: MOT) new MOS 11 facility in Austin, Texas.

"This order illustrates our confidence, both in Lam as a supplier and in the Rainbow etch systems, which deliver sophisticated etch technology for our demanding applications," stated Bill Walker, Motorola's vice president and

director of MOS 11. "The combination of 0.5 micron etch and 200mm wafer handling capabilities, coupled with cost of ownership and process advantages of Lam's single wafer systems, were all key selection criteria."

According to Bill Dunnigan, Motorola's photo/etch manager of MOS 11, the Rainbow etchers will be used for the production of Motorola's most sophisticated devices on the eight-inch production line. The $5 million system order encompasses Lam's Advanced Capabilitiy Rainbow poly, nitride and oxide systems, introduced earlier this year specifically for etch processes demanding performance in the 0.5 micron range. The metal etch portion of MOS 11 will be determined by a head to head evaluation of competitive systems, one of which Lam has been invited to supply. Deliveries for the order are scheduled to begin in January of 1991, and will continue throughout the year.

Several of Lam's Advanced Capability Rainbow etchers were chosen for Phase I following an extensive, 18-month engineering evaluation period. Due to the positive results of that study, Motorola and Lam have initiated a joint development project in which engineers from both companies will work together in Fremont and Austin to optimize MOS 11 etch processes on eight-inch wafers.

About Lam Research: Lam is a leading supplier of wafer processing equipment for the worldwide semiconductor industry and the leading supplier of single wafer etchers. The company's broad product offerings are focused on etch and deposition, two of the most vital areas in the fabrication of current and future integrated circuits. Serving as the foundation for this focus, Lam has developed core technologies encompassing etch and CVD disciplines. Headquartered in Fremont, Lam maintains customer support centers throughout the United States, Europe and the Pacific Rim to support its global customer base. Founded in 1980, Lam Research is publicly held and listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol LRCX.

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CONCORD, CALIF. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Fibreboard Corp. (AMEX: FBD) announced today that two orders were entered on Nov. 12, 1990 in the Cimino class action in Texas. The orders address a number of pending matters, including calculation of prejudgment interest and punitive damages, allocation of bankrupt defendants' shares and extrapolation of awards in the 160 sample trials to the remaining claims within the class.

The court determined that Fibreboard and the other non-settling defendant would each be responsible for 50 percent of the compensatory damage awards against The Celotex Corp., which recently filed for bankruptcy protection. In

the event Fibreboard is unsuccessful in overturning the Cimino action on appeal, Fibreboard and Celotex have each stipulated to a ten percent share of liability. thus, under these orders, Fibreboard will be responsible for 15 percent of the actual compensatory damage awards.

The court also determined that prejudgment interest would be added to each compensatory damage award at the Texas statutory for a period beginning six months after each claimant's last exposure to asbestos fibers to the date of judgment. The last exposure of each claimant will be determined on a case by case basis.

The court also ruled that Fibreboard's punitive damage liability would be calculated at 1.5 times actual damages, such actual damages to include Fibreboard's individual share of compensatory damage awards plus the portion of the Celotex share for which Fibreboard is held responsible.

With regard to extrapolation, the court determined that the compensatory damage awards in the 160 sample trials already concluded would be averaged by disease category. Each remaining class member (estimated to consist of approximately 2,100) will be categorized by disease and will receive the average compensatory award given for such diseases in the 160 sample trials.

In the event Fibreboard is unsuccessful in overturning the Cimino action on appeal, Fibreboard's total compensatory and punitive damage liability calculated pursuant to the orders will approximate $500 million plus prejudgment interest.

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BANGOR, MAINE (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Nyle International Corp. ("Nyle"), a pink sheet, over-the-counter company, announced unaudited, consolidated financial results for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $128,340 (2 cents per share) vs. a net loss of $(229,137) (3.6 cents per share) for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989 (a 156 percent increase).

Operating income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $172,628 vs. a loss in operating income of $(177,584) for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989 (a 197 percent increase).

Net sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $2,096,704 vs. $1,800,163 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989 (a 16.5 percent increase).

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Nyle incurred a loss of $(75,865)

(1.2 cents per share) vs. a loss of $(503,963) (7.9 cents per share) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 (an 85 percent improvement).

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, operating income was $44,051, vs. a net loss in operations of $(361,224) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 (a 112 percent increase).

Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $5,536,608, vs. $5,451,516 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 (a slight 1.5 percent decrease).

Nyle, through its subsidiaries, is engaged in the manufacture of patented dehumidification dry kilns primarily for commercial and industrial applications (Nyle Corporation), and home and wood working shops (Nyle Standard Dryers, Inc.), distributes medical and surgical supplies and equipment (ADCO Surgical Supply, Inc.), provides pulmonary home health services (Advanced Technology Home Care -- one-third owned), and has recently initiated a chain of retail full service and mini home health service supply centers as a concessionaire in McCrory Stores (Nyle Home Health Supplies, Inc.).

Nyle's common stock is traded over-the-counter, Bulletin Board symbol: 3 Nyle.

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HARRINGTON PARK, N.J. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - United Water Resources (NYSE: UWR) announced today that the board of directors has determined not to proceed with its pending acquisition of the water operations and related assets of Pennsylvania Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ: PENT).

United Water indicated that its financial advisor has informed the board that it will be unable to render an opinion that the proposed transaction is fair to United Water. Receipt of such an opinion is a condition to United Water's obligation to proceed with the transaction.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Charles Srebnik, chairman and CEO of Genetic Engineering, Inc., currently trading on OTC Bulletin Board, (symbol GEENE), stated today that the company settled its litigation with the remaining

defendant in its RICO lawsuit. As a result, $2,576,380 of Genetic Engineering's outstanding debt has been forgiven and the company's legal fees paid.

In February of 1990, Genetic Engineering obtained a default judgment of $3,300,000 against one of the defendants in the lawsuit. In July 1990, a settlement was reached with three other defendants in the lawsuit and the company's outstanding debt reduced by $1,160,000 through debt forgiveness and payment of legal fees.

The company stated that it would file its financials for fiscal years 1989 and 1990 as quickly as possible.

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OMAHA, NEB. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - ValCom, Inc. (NASDAQ: VLCM) has signed an agreement with SynOptics Communications, Inc. to distribute and support SynOptics' local area networking products. The agreement allows ValCom to deliver all of the pieces -- hardware, software and hubs -- essential for systems integration and advanced network management, according to Bill L. Fairfield, ValCom president and chief executive officer.

"This strategic alliance with SynOptics enhances our product offering and reinforces ValCom's position as a solution-oriented, systems-oriented provider of office automation technology," says Fairfield.

SynOptics' LattisNet(R) product family provides network connectivity, network management and internetworking capabilities in an integrated system through its Network Utility Architecture strategy. This LAN systems strategy seeks to integrate many of the attributes found in reliable utilities -- maximum up-time, preventive maintenance capabilities, rapid recovery from failures, compatibility with industry standards, and flexibility to accommodate growth and changes.

"The authorization to market SynOptics' LattisNet products typifies ValCom's ongoing focus on selling and supporting high-end applications," says Dale Schuster, vice president of ValCom's Advanced Systems Division. In addition to marketing advanced products like the Compaq SystemPro, ValCom was one of the first suppliers authorized to sell IBM advanced connectivity products.

Michael M. Clair, senior vice president of worldwide sales and customer support for SynOptics Communications, Inc., said ValCom's reputation makes it a logical choice for suppliers of advanced products. "ValCom, with its Advanced Systems Division, is a market leader in delivering value-added

support services that are necessary to properly market high-end products," says Clair.

These services include the Business Technology Group -- a ValCom subsidiary of systems integration consultants; a manufacturer- independent communication research center that tests connectivity solutions in multiple environments; and Advanced Product Support, which through an 800 hotline gives the ValCom channel immediate access to technical support experts.

ValCom serves business customers through a nationwide network of nearly 300 locations in 46 states. That network includes franchised and company-owned computer centers, as well as other specialized providers of computer systems and support. Major computer lines include IBM, Compaq, NEC, and Epson, along with related products from Hewlett- Packard, Oracle, Novell, Banyan, and others.

For more information, contact ValCom, Inc., 10810 Farnam, Omaha, Neb., 68154.

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FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CALIF. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Newport Corp. (NASDAQ: NEWP), manufacturer of equipment for laser-related systems and research, has declared a cash dividend of 4 cents per share on the company's common stock.

The cash dividend is payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990. There are now 7,041,779 shares outstanding.

Newport Corp. designs, manufactures, and markets a comprehensive line of instruments, components and accessories for the laser and electro-optical market which includes industrial, government and laboratory customers.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeles Corp. (AMEX: ANG) today reported a net loss of $716,000, or $.25 per share, in its fiscal year 1991 first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenue was $11.5 million, in the fiscal 1990 first quarter, Angeles had a net loss of $2.1 million, on revenue of $8 million.

Angeles President Joseph Cattivera said changes implemented during the first

quarter, including consolidation or elimination of certain functions, are expected to result in annual savings of approximately $1 million, and further cost reductions are anticipated to be implemented in the second quarter. Cattivera also said that cost-savings measures implemented in fiscal year 1990 are currently taking effect, reducing quarterly expenditures by approximately $600,000.

Subsequent to the end of the quarter, Angeles concluded an offer to exchange the Angeles unit (AMEX: ANG.E) for 3.1 shares of Angeles common stock. Approximately 176,00 units, roughly 10 percent, were tendered, resulting in the retiring of $3.7 million face amount of long-term debt and annual debt service savings in excess of $480,000. The offering is expected to create a pre-tax gain of approximately $1.3 million in the second quarter.

Angeles Corp. is a diversified investment management company whose subsidiaries currently manage in excess of $4 billion of securities, real estate, mutual fund and leased equipment assets for corporations, institutions and 127,000 individual investors.

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TOKYO (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Addressing international concerns about the possibility of global warming, a GM engineer today presented a study on the automobile's role in the greenhouse effect and alternate methods to reduce greenhouse gases.

Giving a U.S. perspective at a conference on "Automobiles and Coping with Global Environmental Problems," Charles A. Amann of the GM Research Laboratories indicated the extent to which combustion of fossil fuels in automobiles produces carbon dioxide, the principal greenhouse gas.

"We estimate that U.S. autos account for about 3 percent of the worldwide global warming potential," Amann said. "To reduce or stabilize carbon dioxide production from vehicles will require technical breakthroughs, changes in consumer behavior, and of course, considerable expense."

Amann said that if global warming concerns materialize to require restrictions on vehicles using fossil fuels, the leading alternatives are:

-- Electric vehicles - powered from nuclear sources, requiring fail- safe reactors and public acceptance of nuclear plants.

-- Alcohol-fueled vehicles - using methanol or ethanol from biomass production (trees and plants as the source of fuel), requiring significant land use.

-- Hydrogen-powered vehicles - using hydrogen gas made from water, requiring greater land use and an advance in either nuclear electricity or solar-cell technology.

Citing progress made, Amann said that tailpipe carbon dioxide from the average new U.S. car has already been halved over the last 15 years due to improvements in fuel economy. "Based on today's fuel-economy standards, carbon dioxide emissions will decrease about 20 percent per car over the next decade just due to fleet turnover," he said.

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#90320p7784 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CORNING NY (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Corning Incorporated (NYSE: GLW) today announced a major reorganization that Board Chairman James R. Houghton said will "better focus top-management attention on our opportunities for the 1990s."

In the principal moves subject to the approval of Corning Incorporated's board of directors.

-- Roger G. Ackerman, 52, will be president and chief operating officer of the corporation. Corning has operated since 1983 with three group presidents, rather than a single president. Ackerman, with Corning 28 years, has directed the company's specialty-materials businesses since 1985 as a group president.

-- The company's laboratory-services businesses will be established as a new free-standing, wholly owned subsidiary, to be called Corning Laboratory Services Inc., headed by E. Martin Gibson, 52, as chairman and chief executive officer. He has been with Corning 28 years and a group president since 1983. He remains on the Corning Incorporated board of directors. The new company consists of four existing Corning subsidiaries -- MetPath Inc. (Teterboro, N.J.), Hazelton Corporation (Herndon, Va.), Enesco Incorporated (Somerset, N.J.), and G. H. Besselaar Associates (Princeton, N.J.) A headquarters location has yet to be chosen.

-- Richard Dulude, 57, a group president since 1983, will be a vice chairman and will take over responsibility for Corning's consumer- products sector. Dulude has driven the dramatic growth in the company's optical-fiber business over the last decade.

-- The company's industrial glass and ceramics businesses will organized into three new groups, each headed by new executive vice president: Jan H. Suwinski 49, will direct the Opto-Electronics Group, John W. Loose, 48, the Information Display Group, and Norman E. Garrity, 49, the Specialty Materials Group. All three are long-time Corning executives.

Houghton said the reorganization does not change he focus of the approximately $3 billion (sales) company on four major segments: specialty materials, communications, laboratory services, and consumer products.

Proposed as vice presidents were Dr. Charles W. Deneka, who was named director of development in the Technology Group; Peter F. Campanella, who was named general manager of the Science Products Division; James A. Krueger, named as director of Materials Management; and David W. Swindells, responsible for International Development.

Newly appointed as division vice presidents are Larry Aiello Jr., Robert E. Baldani, James S. Casolo, Gerald J. McQuaid, Dr. William R. Prindle, G. Tim Welles III, and Peter H. Wranik.

Current officers named to new positions were Robert C. Forrest, senior vice president and general manager of the Telecommunications Products Division; Kenneth W. Freeman, president of Corning Asahi Video Products Company, a subsidiary; and James M. Ramich, vice president- Advanced Display Products.

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MAUMEE, OHIO (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company's Maumee Stamping Plant has received the company's Preventive Maintenance Excellence Award (PMEA) during a ceremony at the plant.

The award is given to Ford plants which achieve maximum equipment running capacity, and is considered second in importance only to the Q1 Award among Ford plants. Maumee was the first Ford stamping plant to receive the Q1 Award in November 1988.

The PMEA was presented to Plant Manager Marv Sara and UAW Local 1892 President Gary Smotherman by William E. Scollard, Ford vice president and senior advisor for North American Automotive Operations.

In his remarks, Scollard told the plant's employees that their performance in the areas of quality, machine up-time, cost and quick die changes had led the company's other stamping plants for several years, and would do so again in 1990.

Maumee produces stamped metal and plastic parts for a wide range of vehicles.

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FAIRFAX, VA. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Hadron, Inc. (NASDAQ: HDRN) today announced revenues of $7.7 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $6.8 million for the same period last year. Hadron had a net loss of $59,058, or $.0041 per share, for the current quarter, compared to net income of $128,759, or $.0090 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Hadron President and CEO James Arnold, stated: "Hadron is continuing to progress with its turnaround plans. Although we cannot now state a timetable for returning to profitability, we remain optimistic about Hadron's future."

HADRON INC.
Selected Financial Data
(unaudited)
Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
Total Revenues	$ 7,683,394	$ 6,831,004
Net Income (loss)	(59,058)	128,759 Net Income (loss)
per share	$ (0.0041)	$ 0.0090
Weighted Average Number of shares	14,401,191	14,292,115

Hadron, Inc. is an integrated high technology company providing technical products and services in the fields of engineering, computer science, litigation support, and data communications.

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#90320p7794 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

WARREN, MI (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - A team of Hughes Aircraft Company (Hughes) engineers today described a series of projects to transfer advanced technology as well as systems engineering and program management methodologies from Hughes to General Motors (NYSE: GM). The occasion was a news media briefing at the General Motors Technical Center.

The technology transfer projects will affect various GM products, product design and manufacturing processes, communications systems, security systems and work with intelligent vehicle/highway systems.

Gerald K. Slocum, Hughes vice president for GM Programs, stated, These projects are aimed at supporting the GM objectives of providing customer satisfaction through high-quality products and systems at the lowest possible cost, and getting them into the customers' hands quickly."

Product projects were reviewed by J. William Weber, manager of Display Programs and Systems for the Processor Division of Hughes Radar Systems Group.

HEADS UP DISPLAY -- An Automotive Head-Up Display (HUD), developed jointly by Hughes and Delco Electronics, projects such information as speed, low fuel warnings and turn signals into the driver's forward field of vision. The visual symbols appear to float in space above the front bumper of the car. With the HUD, drivers don't have to look down to the instrument panel to check their speed, and they don't have to refocus their eyes when looking between the displayed information and the road. The Delco Electronics-produced HUD system is available as an option on all 1991 Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme International coupe and sedan models and on Pontiac Grand Prix STE, GT and GTP coupe and SE models.

HOLOGRAPHIC CENTER HIGH MOUNTED STOP LIGHT (CHMSL) -- The holographic CHMSL projects red light beams through a clear circular hologram on a car's rear window, generating a red stop light when the brakes are applied. This new lighting system, being developed by Hughes and GM's Inland Fisher Guide Division, will eliminate the current lamp fixture mounted on the rear package shelf. Even when the light is on, it is invisible to the driver and therefore doesn't obstruct rear vision.

In all, Hughes is working on some 150 projects to transfer aerospace technologies and expertise to General Motors. Hughes -- the world leader in defense electronics and commercial communications satellites -- is a subsidiary of GM Hughes Electronics Corporation (GMHE). GMHE has one other subsidiary: Delco Electronics Corporation -- the world leader in automotive electronics. GMHE is a wholly owned subsidiary of General Motors.

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CONCORD, MASS. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Nuclear Metals, Inc., (NASDAQ: NUCM) the Concord, Mass.-based manufacturer of specialized metal products, today announced its financial results for the fourth quarter and full year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the fourth quarter was $57,000 or 3 cents per share on sales of $13,534,000 as compared to $605,000 or 23 cents per share on sales of $13,635,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Net income for the fiscal year 1990 was $733,000 or 30 cents per share on average shares outstanding of 2,466,532 as compared to $2,247,000 or 86 cents on average shares outstanding of 2,622,094 for the prior year.

Sales for the 12 month period were $47,662,000 as compared to $49,760,000 for

the same period a year ago.

Backlog at the end of the fiscal year was at $14,758,000 as compared to $19,352,000 a year ago.

NUCLEAR METALS, INC.
Financial Summary

	Fourth Quarter Ended Sept. 30,		12 Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$13,534,000	$13,635,000	$47,662,000	$49,760,000
Net income (loss)	57,000	605,000	733,000	2,247,000
Earnings (loss) per share	3 cents	23 cents	30 cents	86 cents
Net average number of shares	2,390,114	2,610,492	2,466,532	2,622,094
Backlog	---	---	$14,758,000	$19,352,000

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ROCKWOOD, PA (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Rockwood Holding Co. today reported operating results for the three-month and nine-month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

As reported in its Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a consolidated net loss of $1,364,000, or $0.34 per share, vs. a net loss of $12,224,000, or $3.03 per share, for the corresponding period last year. For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported consolidated net income of $58,000, or $0.01 per share, compared with a net loss of $5,022,000, or $1.24 per share for the third quarter of 1989.

As previously announced, Rockwood Insurance Company and Constance Foster, insurance commissioner of Pennsylvania, jointly submitted to the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania a Petition and Plan for the Rehabilitation of Rockwood Insurance Co. (RIC) on July 20, 1990. On July 27, 1990, the court issued an order for the rehabilitation of RIC, and set a hearing on the plan for Nov. 19 1990.

As a result of the Order of Rehabilitation for RIC, the holding company has recorded losses from RIC through June 30, 1990, under "discontinued insurance operations in rehabilitation" in its consolidated financial statement.

Further, as a result of the Order of Rehabilitation, the holding company lost

control of RIC and its insurance subsidiary, Rockwood Insurance Company of Indiana (RIND). Therefore, the holding company will not be recognizing the results of RIC and its subsidiaries in the holding company's consolidated financial statements after June 30, 1990.

The company's financial statements for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, recognized a loss from discontinued insurance operations in rehabilitation through June 30, 1990, of $1,398,000, or $0.35 per share, compared with a loss of $12,177,000 for the corresponding period last year. As discussed above, the results for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, include no equity interest results from discontinued insurance operations in rehabilitation, compared with equity in a loss of $5,003,000 for the corresponding 1989 three-month period.

The company reported income from continuing operations of $34,000 for the first nine months of 1990, compared with a loss from continuing operations of $268,000 for the first nine months of 1989. The 1990 third quarter produced income from continuing operations of $58,000 vs. a loss from continuing operations of $22,000 for the 1989 third quarter.

Revenues from continuing operations for the first nine months of 1990 were $182,000 compared to revenues from continuing operations of $158,000 for the corresponding period in 1989.

RIND recently reported in statutory financial statements for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, filed with the Indiana and Pennsylvania Insurance departments, statutory net income before federal income taxes of $4,837,467, vs. statutory net income before federal income taxes of $2,538,569 for the corresponding period last year. RIND is a party to a tax-sharing agreement with RIC and Rockwood Holding Co., effective Jan. 1, 1990, under which members of the group will reimburse RIC for federal income tax net operating loss carryforwards used by each company, and previously generated by RIC. RIND has recorded a federal tax expense of $1,598,855 in its statutory financial statements for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, which is payable to RIC under the tax-sharing agreement. There was no federal income tax expense recorded by RIND for the corresponding period of 1989.

RIND's statutory net income after taxes for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $3,238,612, vs. statutory net income after taxes of $2,538,569 for the corresponding period last year.

RIND'S statutory surplus as regards policyholders was $14,062,568 at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $10,594,829 at Dec. 31, 1989.

ROCKWOOD HOLDING CO.
Condensed Financial Information

Period	Three Months		Six Months	
Ended Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989

Revenues	$83,000	$57,000	$182,000	$58,000
Income (loss) from continuing operations	58,000	(22,000)	34,000	(268,000)
Loss from discont. insurance operations in rehabilitation	--	(5,003,000)	(1,398,000)	(12,177,000)
Income from other discontinued operations	--	3,000	--	221,000
Net income (loss)	58,000	(5,022,000)	(1,364,000)	(12,224,000)
Net loss per share	$0.01	$(1.24)	$(0.34)	$(3.03)
Average number of shares outstanding	3,999,032	4,044,032	3,999,032	4,031,000

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#90320p7806 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARUBA, DUTCH CARIBBEAN (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Divi Hotels N.V. (AMEX: DVH) announced today that the company does not plan to make the payment of interest due Nov. 15 on its $60,000,000 of 14-1/2 percent senior debentures due 1998.

Management had announced on April 27, 1990, that the company was entering into a bond exchange process with the holders of the senior debentures and the holders of its outstanding subordinated notes.

The exchange offer has been periodically extended and will expire Dec. 7, 1990 unless further extended.

Only a nominal amount of the debt securities have been validly tendered to date. Divi continues to negotiate with a committee of the holders of the two series of debt securities to determine if more acceptable offer terms can be made available.

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#90320p7808 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CALIF. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Carl Karcher Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ: CARLS) today unveiled plans to franchise 57 company- owned Carl's Jr. restaurants in Northern California over the next two years.

The move is part of an overall corporate strategy to increase the proportion of franchised restaurants. Currently, 23 percent of Carl's Jr. restaurants are franchised; the company aims to increase that ratio to 40 percent in the next four to five years.

According to the plan, all Carl's Jr. restaurants in a geographic region ranging from Ukiah to Lompoc will be sold to franchises. Prospective franchisees will be asked to open additional Carl's Jr. restaurants in their respective communities, which should result in approximately 80 new Carl's Jr. restaurants in Northern California over the next five to 10 years.

"Our franchise strategy will greatly enhance the company's long- term growth, spread the challenge of developing properties and raising capital, and cushion the volatility of economic cycles," said president and chief operating officer Donald F. Karcher.

"Because the franchisees generally have closer ties to their communities than our corporate real estate department, they will be better able to identify and seize good opportunities for building new restaurants," Karcher added.

The company is currently seeking potential franchisors. The 57 restaurants will be grouped and sold over the next two years in 17 packages according to location.

Some sales are already in progress. Restaurants in Santa Rosa (three locations), Healdsburg, Rohnert Park and Ukiah have already been sold as a six-restaurant franchise to Robert W. Wisely, a former company executive. Restaurants in a central coast district in Arroyo Grande, Atascadero, Lompoc, Paso Robles, San Luis Obispo and Santa Maria (three) are expected to be sold as an eight-restaurant franchise pending the successful completion of the franchising documents.

Carl Karcher Enterprises Inc. operates Carl's Jr. restaurants, a regional quick-service chain known for its varied menu and healthful, premium quality products. Founded in 1941, the company, its franchisees and licensees operate 561 restaurants in California, Nevada, Oregon, Arizona and Japan.

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#90320p7814 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Trans-National Leasing, Inc. (NASDAQ: TNLS) today announced increased revenues and pre-tax profits for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, but the company reported a net loss attributed primarily

to tax effects.

For the quarter, Trans-National reported revenues of $1.8 million, up 13 percent from $1.6 million for the same quarter last year. The net loss was $56,600, or 4 cents per share, compared to a loss of $126,700, or 10 cents per share, a year ago.

John Maher, president, noted that pre-tax profits were $70,300 in the most recent quarter, but that net income was again affected negatively by Alternate Minimum Tax (AMT) calculations. He said the high tax rate results from timing differences between the depreciation allowed by tax law and actual depreciation expense -- differences that are reversed out when vehicles are sold. Maher said that it is difficult in the fleet leasing business to anticipate the timing of vehicle dispositions, making tax projections subject to constant reevaluation. He added that the AMT problem is likely persist through the current year.

Maher said that revenues and profits continue to improve and that Trans-National's fleet size recently surpassed the company's high prior to the slump in the Southwestern economy.

Three months ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,830,481	$1,613,846
Net loss	(56,647)	(126,664)
Per share	(.04)	(.10)
Weighted average shares outstanding	1,302,613	1,302,613

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#90320p7816 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVILLE, N.J. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Encore! Productions & Entertainment has begun filling the extra space it gained during its recent relocation with the addition of four new staff members.

Ellen Walker-Fish of Rockaway joins the business media firm in a management role as a producer.

Walker-Fish's background includes more than 10 years in art direction and experience in audiovisual and print studio management at both the corporate and advertising agency levels.

"Ellen will oversee all areas of production, and her art direction credentials will permit Encore! Productions & Entertainment to offer in- house print production services to its clients," said company co-owner Alexis Montalto in announcing the new staff appointments.

Production Coordinator Danna Lopez of New York City also brings a corporate background to the firm and specializes in coordination for video productions and sales meetings.

Account Executive Regina Greene of Morris Plains is a 1985 public relations/journalism graduate from the University of Florida, and formerly worked in the fields of association and hotel/motel management.

Jodi-Ann Indiveri of Bedminster, a former local cable television news anchor, will lead the office support staff as administrative assistant.

"The increasing demand for our services and our own commitment to provide our clients with quality productions and events necessitates this staff expansion " said Montalto.

Established in 1986 by Montalto and partner Rick Monte, Encore! Productions & Entertainment specializes in the creation of audio-visual, video and multi-media presentations for corporate meetings as well as the design, production and execution of training programs and corporate image events.

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#90320p7826 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Tampa Electric Company today submitted to the Sebring Utilities Commission a proposal for purchasing two of the commission's generating plants along with plant sites, permits and relevant assets, as well as a contract to provide Sebring's complete electricity needs for a 20-year period.

Under the terms of the proposal, Tampa Electric would supply the electric power needs of the commission's electric system with the same high-quality level of service currently offered to Tampa Electric's retail customers. In addition, a full requirements rate schedule would be filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

The entire transaction would be subject to approvals by FERC, the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC), and the governing boards of Sebring Utilities Commission, TECO Energy, Inc. (NYSE: TE) and Tampa Electric Company.

Tampa Electric President Girard F. Anderson said, "The main benefit of this transaction is rate stability on behalf of the customers of Sebring, derived from access to Tampa Electric's coal-fired baseload capacity." Anderson also pointed out that Tampa Electric customers will benefit from lower fuel costs.

Anderson said coal prices have been far less subject to annual fluctuations

than either oil or gas. Also, Tampa Electric is not expected to add additional high-cost baseload capacity until after the turn of the century. If the proposal is accepted and approved, Sebring's costs of electricity would be reduced immediately, and future costs are expected to be stable and not responsive to inflationary pressures.

Other benefits to the commission and Highlands County include: Additional resources to promote new industrial development to the area; assistance in developing energy conservation programs; and the benefits of Tampa Electric's nationally acclaimed training programs, which already have dramatically improved worker safety, while lowering the costs of maintaining transmission and distribution systems.

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#90320p7830 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, S.C. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - SCANA Corporation (NYSE: SCG) announced today that it has entered into a formal agreement with Tri-C Resources, Inc., a Houston-based oil and gas company, to purchase natural gas producing properties in the state of Texas.

Lawrence M. Gressette, Jr., chairman and chief executive office of SCANA, called the $29 million acquisition a "first step by our Company into direct ownership of natural gas reserves."

"The properties currently are producing 12 million cubic feet of natural gas and about 120 barrels of oil per day. This purchase will provide us with a base of production ownership that we intend to expand by development and by future acquisition."

Gressette said SCANA is reviewing other gas producing properties and pipeline projects that could broaden its entry into the upstream side of the natural gas industry.

"We believe," he said, "that with our experience marketing natural gas, these production activities will provide us with new opportunities in the rapidly changing natural gas business."

William B. Timmerman, SCANA's senior vice president and chief financial officer, said the funding for the purchase will come from proceeds of the Company's recent sale of its earlier investment, in Telecom-USA. He said the investment of those funds in natural gas reserves "reflect the continuing commitment to diversify SCANA as well as an effort to narrow the focus of our unregulated businesses."

SCANA Corporation, headquartered in Columbia, S.C., is a diversified holding company with approximately 4,400 employees and annual operating revenues of more than $1.1 billion. The Company is engaged, through subsidiaries, in regulated electric and natural gas utility businesses and other non-regulated businesses.

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#90320p7835 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORFOLK, VA. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Fourth Annual American Railroad Conference on November 7 presented one of its two 1990 Productivity Awards to Norfolk Southern Corporation (NYSE: NSC) for its Thoroughbred Short Line Program. The award is given each year to recognize creative programs that improve productivity.

The Thoroughbred Short Line Program is a new approach to financing the conversion of previously sub-marginal, light-density lines into successful short lines that retain the maximum traffic and revenues for the NS system. The program has created more than 20 successful new short-line businesses from lines that, under conventional performance standards, had only half the traffic that start-up short lines generally require. The program provides these new short lines with both a negotiated allowance of NS line haul revenues and lease credits for traffic above a threshold level. More than 1,300 miles have been converted into short lines under this program.

Federal Railroad Administrator Gilbert E. Carmichael presented the award to James W. McClellan, director of Corprate Development, Norfolk, who accepted the award for Norfolk Southern. NS also received the award last year for its Triple Crown RoadRailer(R) service.

Union Pacific received the other 1990 award for restructuring its management forces and for the productivity gains as a result of that action.

CONTACT: R.C. Fort, Assistant Vice President, 804-629-2714, or R.M. Auman, Senior Special Representative, 703-981-5426, both of the Public Relations Department, Norfolk Southern Corporation

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#90320p7836 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Wolters Kluwer N.V., one of Holland's largest publishing companies, today announced that it has appointed Dr. Alan M. Edelson as president and chief executive officer of its J.B. Lippincott subsidiary, one of the oldest and largest medical publishing companies in the country. Lippincott also announced that Albert E. Meier had been appointed as publisher of Medical and Looseleaf Publications. Philadelphia-based J.B.

Lippincott, acquired by Wolters Kluwer in June of 1990 is the newest member of the growing Wolters Kluwer group of publishing companies in the U.S.

Edelson founded New York-based Raven Press, a leading publisher in medicine and the biological sciences, 25 years ago. Raven Press joined Wolters Kluwer in 1985.

Peter van Wel, president of New York-based Wolters Kluwer U.S. Corporation, said, "Dr. Edelson's broad experience in the medical publishing industry and strong academic credentials make him ideally suited for this position. The U.S. market figures prominently in Wolters Kluwer's strategy to become a leader in medical publishing and to market its information products globally. Lippincott represents an important step in achieving our goals. Proven, dynamic leadership by people like Dr. Edelson will enable us to continue to make important strides in reaching our objectives."

Edelson said, "Having spent 25 years building a major medical publishing house from the ground up, I look forward to the challenge of working with other members of Wolters Kluwer to unlock the full potential of J.B. Lippincott, already an industry leader in this market."

Edelson holds a doctorate in neurophysiology from Columbia University's College of Physicians and Surgeons. He currently resides in New York with his wife, but plans to move to Philadelphia.

Lippincott, which was founded in 1792, is a publisher of information for the medical profession: physicians, nurses, pharmacists, other scientists and medical students. In addition to book publishing (e.g. the widely used Lippincott Manual of Nursing Practice), Lippincott also publishes journals and loose-leaf medical information.

Wolters Kluwer is a multinational publisher with operations spanning Europe and North America. Sales for 1989 were $1 billion, of which 10 percent was derived from U.S. operations. The Lippincott acquisition raised U.S. generated sales to approximately 17 percent on an annual basis. Wolters Kluwer shares are available in the U.S. through a pink-sheet ADR program sponsored by The Morgan Guaranty Trust Company.

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#90320p7837 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

JERICHO, N.Y. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Metro Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: MTBS), holding company for Bayside Federal Savings Bank, today announced that its board of directors has declared an increase in its regular quarterly dividend

from 10 cents to 12 cents per common share. The dividend is payable Dec. 7, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 26, 1990.

Metro Bancshares Inc. is the holding company for Bayside Federal Savings Bank, which operated 10 branches in Queens County, Nassau County and Manhattan. The company converted to public ownership on Nov. 10, 1988, and has 2,361,428 shares of common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Terry Walsh of Bayside Federal, 516-933-8000

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#90320p7838 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMDEN, N.J. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Campbell Soup Co. (NYSE: CPB) announced today the acquisition of B.E. Verduijn B.V., of Breda, the Netherlands, for an undisclosed amount of cash.

Verduijn is the leading independent importer and distributor of confectionery items in the Netherlands, with several international brands, as well as its own brand called "Candyman."

"This acquisition reinforces very tangibly the position of the Confectionery Division of Campbell Europe Food & Confectionery in the Netherlands and consequently its presence throughout the European market," said R. Edward Glover, president-Campbell Europe.

In 1989 Verduijn had sales of $25.1 million. The company has four Dutch subsidiaries and employs 53 people. It has offices, a warehouse and a newly constructed plant near Raamsdonkveer in the Netherlands. The company was founded in 1947 and sells toffees, fruit bonbons and soft chewing candy, as well as chewing gum.

Campbell Europe Food & Confectionery, headquartered in Belgium, operates the company's canned food, condiments, sauces, juices, specialty and gourmet food businesses as well as a substantial portion of the company's confectionery business in Western Europe. It is part of Campbell International, which has operations in 14 countries in Europe, Latin America and the Far East.

CONTACT: David C. Hackney of Campbell Soup, 609-342-6429

-30- 1582

#90320p7839 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Pfizer Inc. (NYSE: PFE) said today that it has read the press reports regarding Congressman John Dingell's letter to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regarding the Shiley heart valve. Since the company has not yet seen this letter it obviously cannot comment.

However, as the company has repeatedly stated, it has cooperated fully for almost two years with Congressman Dingell's committee and the FDA in their inquiries with regard to the Shiley convexo-concave heart valve.

All information sought by the committee and the agency was provided; most of it has been made public with the reports of the inquiry this past spring. Pfizer is not aware of any new information. There is no basis for any criminal investigation.

CONTACT: A.A. Biesada, 212-573-2055, or Rick Honey, 212-573-2051, both of Pfizer

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#90320p7846 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MICH. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Great Lakes Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: GLBC) announced that it will acquire First Federal of Michigan's two Ann Arbor branch offices.

"This presents a great opportunity for Great Lakes to strengthen its service capabilities in Ann Arbor," said Dennis E. Pearsall, executive vice president of banking services. "The Ann Arbor area has steadily been growing around us. The addition of these two branches will allow us to better serve those areas, and help us to continue building our leading position in the market."

The two First Federal branches are located at 1000 E. Stadium at South Industrial and 4755 Washtenaw near Golfside. Great Lakes currently has 10 branches serving Washtenaw County.

Great Lakes will acquire approximately $16 million of deposits. The acquisition, expected to be completed by March 31, 1991, is subject to regulatory approval.

Great Lakes Bancorp has 52 branches in Michigan and operates Dollar Federal Savings Bank, a subsidiary with five branches in the north- Cincinnati area. Great Lakes also operates Great Lakes Mortgage Co., a mortgage banking subsidiary. Great Lakes Bancorp is Michigan's second largest savings bank.

CONTACT: James S. Patterson of Great Lakes Bancorp, 313-769-8300, Ext. 4116

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#90320p7848 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Bellwether Exploration Company (NASDAQ: BELW) has reported net earnings of $186,876 ($0.01 per share) for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net earnings of $155,644 ($0.01 per share) for the same quarter last fiscal year. Revenues were $809,040 for the

quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, down from $840,838 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

A 32 percent increase in the company's average oil sales price (up to $24.63 per barrel) was offset by a 34 percent decrease in natural gas volumes sold, primarily due to the company's share of gas production from a significant well in Arkansas not being sold in order to make up for previously overproduced volumes. The company will resume selling its share of this well's gas production on Dec. 1, 1990.

Bellwether Exploration Company is engaged in oil and gas exploration and development, and the acquisition of producing properties in the United States.

CONTACT: J. Darby Sere', president of Bellwether Exploration Company, 713-650-1025

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#90320p7851 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - USR Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ) today reported operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

USR INDUSTRIES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(UNAUDITED)

Period ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$338,494	$300,160	$1,011,350	$850,926
Net earnings (loss)	(32,140)	(226,982)	(137,552)	(450,738)
Per share results:				
Net earnings (loss)	(.03)	(.23)	(.14)	(.45)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	994,655	994,655	994,655	994,655

CONTACT: Stephen C. Miller, 713-622-9171, or Clement J. Wyle, 212-838-6716, both of USR Industries

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#90320p7852 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Centurion Gold Ltd., (NASDAQ: CEUMF) today announced that its second tier subsidiary, Nevada King Company, has sold a 62.5 percent individual interest in the 8 percent net smelter return royalty on two of its claims in the Carlin Gold Trend in Nevada for US$1 million to Euro-Nevada Mining Corp., Ltd of Toronto.

Euro-Nevada's interest in the royalty sold increases to 87.5 percent until a

pay-out of US$1.5 million. Newmont Gold is the operator of the two royalty properties (Good Hope and Copper King), which cover approximately 150 acres and, in part, the Tusc and Gold Quarry mines.

Centurion also announced that Nevada King has acquired the Grey Eagle Mine in exchange for 5,400,000 shares of Nevada King Company stock from another subsidiary in an intercompany transaction. Based upon a recently completed independent valuation, the Nevada King Company board of directors has valued the mine at US$2.7 million.

The Grey Eagle Mine is a copper mine located in the Klamath Mountains approximately four miles north of Happy Camp, Siskiyou County, in Northern California. The mine has estimated mineable reserves of 1,131,000 tons grading 2.59 percent copper and 0.021 ounces per ton gold. At a planned production rate of 1,000 tons per day, or 350,000 tons per year, the mine life would be approximately 3.2 years. The proposed mine will require additional capital expenditures to put it into production.

Centurion Gold Ltd. is primarily engaged in the exploration and development of gold properties in the western United States.

CONTACT: Timothy A. Callaway, 916-238-3597, or James C. Graham, 800-472-7374, both of Centurion Gold

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#90320p7857 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Software, Inc. (NYSE: SSW) said that its exchange offer of $7.20 exchangeable preferred stock and cash for up to 1,500,000 shares of its common stock was completed on Nov. 15, 1990.

Based on preliminary results, 358,279 shares of common stock were tendered for exchange, which would result in the issuance of 44,785 shares of $7.20 exchangeable preferred stock and the payment of approximately $720,000 in cash to tendering shareholders. Sterling would therefore have 5,993,096 shares of common stock and 450,800 shares of $7.20 exchangeable preferred stock issued and outstanding upon completion of the exchange offer.

Sterling L. Williams, chief executive officer, stated, "We are pleased with the outcome of the exchange offer. Shareholders who wanted to take advantage of the benefits of the preferred had the opportunity to do so. For the vast majority who elected to remain with the common, we interpret their decision as a vote of confidence in the future of Sterling Software."

CONTACT: Betty Feezor of Sterling Software, Inc., 214-891-8600

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#90320p7859 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHARLESTON, W.VA. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Representatives of the United Steelworkers of America (USW) rejected a modified contract offer from the Ravenswood Aluminum Corp. at a meeting with a federal mediator in Pittsburgh Thursday, Nov. 15, it was announced today.

The company offer was made earlier this week.

The union said it would make a counter-proposal when the two sides meet with the mediator again on Nov. 28.

USW staff representative Joe Chapman said the two sides met jointly and separately with mediator Carmen Newall to explain the unresolved issues in the dispute, which began Nov. 1 when, according to the union, the company locked out the 1,800 members of USW Local 5668 employed at the facility in Ravenswood W.Va.

CONTACT: USW Communications Department, Pittsburgh, 412-562-2442, or Joe Chapman of USW, 304-768-7395

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#90320p7864 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
FAIRFIELD, CONN. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - GE's board of directors today increased the company's quarterly dividend by nine percent to 51 cents per share. This increase raises the annualized dividend rate to $2.04 a share from $1.88 and marks the 15th consecutive year of dividend increases for GE.

The dividend declared today is payable Jan. 25, 1991 to share owners of record at the close of business Dec. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: Bruce Bunch of General Electric, 203-373-2039, or home, 203-263-5595

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#90320p7867 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued an administrative complaint against Schenectady Chemicals, Inc., of Schenectady, N.Y. for failure to immediately notify the appropriate federal, state and local agencies following an Oct. 23, 1989 release of 10,000 pounds of acetone, a hazardous substance, into the Mohawk River. The complaint, which seeks $55,000 in penalties, is the result of an EPA investigation of the release, and was initiated by information provided by the New York State Attorney General's office.

"EPA has reason to believe that Schenectady Chemicals delayed apprising the appropriate authorities for a 9-hour period," said Constantine Sidamon-Eristoff, EPA's regional administrator. "Prompt notification of

spills like this is essential so that government agencies can take steps to protect public health and the environment. Our regional enforcement effort is focusing in on those companies that fail to make the requisite local, state and federal notifications," Eristoff continued.

Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), also known as Superfund, a company is required to immediately inform the National Response Center (NRC) following an accidental release of listed hazardous substance. Furthermore, under Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), companies that release extremely hazardous substances must also notify the state and local response authorities.

This is the fourth complaint issued this year in EPA Region 2 for violations of Superfund and EPCRA notification requirements.

CONTACT: Melissa Margetts Jaeger of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 212-264-2515

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#90320p7870 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Canadian Occidental Petroleum Ltd., through its subsidiary, CanadianOxy (Papua New Guinea) Ltd. has entered into an agreement with a subsidiary of Louisiana Land and Exploration, LL&E PNG PTY. Limited, to acquire a 25 percent working interest in Petroleum Prospecting Licence 69 in Papua New Guinea.

PPL-69 is a 4.5 million acre onshore block containing a single test well drilled in 1956. It is situated in the lowlands of western Papua New Guinea.

A major seismic program has been completed and drilling of the commitment well is expected to commence in the first quarter of 1991. CanadianOxy has the right to increase its working interest in the block through subsequent drilling activity.

CONTACT: J.S. McKay, director of Corporate Affairs, Canadian Occidental Petroleum Ltd., 403-234-6700

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#90320p7871 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Donaldson Company, Inc. (NYSE: DCI) today reported first-quarter sales and earnings for the period ended Oct. 31, 1990. Sales of $112.9 million were up 9 percent from the prior year's sales of $103.3 million. The current quarter was the highest sales quarter in the company's history. Net earnings of $7.2 million, or 73 cents per share, were up 52 percent over last year's earnings of $4.7 million, or 49 cents per share.

"Sales increases were reported across all markets," said William A. Hodder, chairman, president and chief executive officer. "On a relative basis, the most significant sales increases were reported for disk drive filters, air filters for military vehicles and increased aftermarket sales.

"Gross margins at 29.1 percent were 2.2 percentage points higher than last year and were consistent with the gross margins reported in the second half of Fiscal 1990. Operating expenses at 17.8 percent of sales were also consistent with the expense levels reported in the same period of the prior year.

"Both sales and earnings were positively impacted by the lower U.S. dollar. Profitability was also favorably impacted by reduced other expense and a reduction in the company's effective income tax rate -- trends which should continue throughout the year.

"Total backlogs of $122.7 million were up more than 26 percent from the same period last year and 6 percent from the prior year-end. Significant increases in total backlogs for defense, gas turbine filtration and high purity products offset some weakness in our traditional domestic diesel engine markets."

Donaldson Company, Inc. is a worldwide manufacturer of air cleaners, liquid filters and exhaust products and accessories for heavy-duty mobile equipment; in-plant air cleaning systems; air intake systems and exhaust products for industrial gas turbines; and specialized filters for computer disk drives, copiers and clean room components. Products are produced at plants in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Wisconsin and nine other locations around the world. The company's shares are traded on the New York Stock exchange under the symbol DCI.

CONTACT: John R. Schweers of Donaldson Company, 612-887-3014; or
John Mackay of Padilla Speer Beardsley, 612-871-8877 or 212-752-8338
(New York), for Donaldson

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#90320p7872 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Donaldson Company, Inc. (NYSE: DCI) have declared a regular cash dividend of 11.0 cents per share payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 29. As of Nov. 4, there were approximately 9,623,000 shares outstanding.

The current declaration is the 141st consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid by the Company.

Donaldson Company, Inc. is a worldwide manufacturer of air cleaners, liquid filters and exhaust products and accessories for heavy-duty mobile equipment; in plant air cleaning systems; air intake systems and exhaust products for

industrial gas turbines; and specialized filters for computer disk drives, copiers and clean room components. Products are produced at plants in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Missouri, Wisconsin and nine other locations around the world. The Company's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol DCI.

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#90320p7873 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW HYDE PARK, N.Y. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Designatronics Inc. (AMEX: DSG) today announced that in the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990 Designatronics enjoyed the largest shipments in the company's history. Volume in the current quarter and fiscal year was $7,099,000 and $31,974,000 respectively, resulting in a decrease of 2.3 percent for the quarter, and an increase of 23 percent for the current year, compared to the same period in fiscal 1989. Net income for the current quarter and fiscal year 1990 was $59,000 and $794,000 respectively, equal to $.02 per share for the quarter and $.27 per share for the fiscal year 1990, compared to net loss for the quarter of $318,000 or $.11 per share and a net loss of $134,000 for the fiscal year 1989 equal to a loss of $.05 per share. The company's working capital position increased to $10,900,000 at Aug. 31, 1990, compared to $10,400,000 at Aug. 31, 1989. The company also enjoyed a positive cash flow at Aug. 31, 1990 which effectively reduced its bank loan position by $685,000.

Designatronics Inc. designs, manufactures and markets a wide array of mechanical, electromechanical and electronic components and sub- assemblies. Its products are distributed worldwide for use in factory automation, robotics computers, computer peripherals and telecommunications equipment.

CONTACT: Sol Schwartz, president, or Martin Hoffman, senior vice president of Designatronics, 516-328-3300; or Arum Advertising Associates, 516-328-3330, for Designatronics

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#90320p7876 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITMAN, N.J. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - K-Tron International Inc. (NASDAQ: KTII) today announced the election of Marcel O. Rohr, 39, as president and chief operating officer, K-Tron International Inc., a position that has been vacant since an executive restructuring last spring.

In addition to Rohr's continuing responsibility for K-Tron's worldwide feeder and blender operations, he will also oversee the activities of the newly acquired European heavy duty feeder company, Hasler Freres International SA,

as well as the company's electronics division.

The board also elected Ronald G. Larson, 41, to the position of senior vice president and chief financial officer. Larson will continue to perform the duties of the treasurer. In addition, he will oversee the activities of the controller, director of human resources, director of information systems, and the training division. Both Rohr and Larson will report to Leo C. Beebe, chairman and chief executive officer.

John C. Tucker, vice chairman, will work directly with the office of the chairman in a consulting capacity on special projects.

Related company operations were also realigned. Kenneth W. Bullivant, 48, senior vice president and chief technical officer, will be responsible for the activities of the security systems division. Kevin Bowen, 39, president of K-Tron Corp., will assume responsibility for the activities of K-Tron Electronics. Ron Van Ostenbridge, 43, will continue as the general manager of the division, reporting to Bowen.

K-Tron also announced the appointment of Kurt Gloor, 39, to managing director -- K-Tron Soder, its European feeder manufacturing subsidiary located in Niederlenz, Switzerland. Gloor joined K-Tron Soder in 1986 as manager of engineering and fabrication following several years at Asea Brown Boveri in Baden, Switzerland.

In addition, the company also announced the election of Martin Schuler, 40, to vice president/controller-operations. Schuler previously was controller of the worldwide feeder and blender group. Both Gloor and Schuler will report to Rohr.

Announcing the changes, Beebe said, "The recent acquisition of a major European feeder company and expanding global demands on our business require continuing development of our management team. The continued development of our human, as well as product and process, technologies will be a leading factor in the achievement of our worldwide strategies."

K-Tron International Inc., through its subsidiaries, is a major producer of gravimetric feeders, blenders and security systems with facilities and customers throughout the world.

CONTACT: Ronald G. Larson, senior vp, CFO and treasurer of K-Tron International, 609-589-0500

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#90320p7880 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - J. Allen Fine, President and Chairman of Investors Title Company (NASDAQ-NMS: ITIC) announced today that

Glenda H. Oxendine has been elected as a member of the Board of Directors of Investors Title Insurance Company. Ms. Oxendine is the first woman to be elected to the Company's Board of Directors. "We are extrememely pleased that Ms. Oxendine was elected. She has been a real key player for us in the past and will be a valuable member of the Board," Fine said.

Ms. Oxendine joined Investors Title Insurance Company in 1980 as an Administrative Secretary and has advanced steadily to her current position as Vice President of Operations.

Investors Title Company is a publicly held Company whose stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System (Symbol ITIC). The Company's two title insurance subsidiaries actively write title insurance in the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Illinois, New York, Florida, Pennsylvania, Indiana and Tennessee.

Another subsidiary, Investors Title Exchange Corporation provides assistance to attorneys and certified public accountants in structuring delayed tax-free exchanges for their clients.

CONTACT: J. Allen Fine, President, Investors Title Company, 919-968-2200

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#90320p7883 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BASKING RIDGE, NJ (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) has opened direct-dial service to 10 countries and areas, including Syria, Albania and The Congo. Before now calls to the 10 areas required operator assistance.

The new direct-dial countries and areas are the African nations of The Congo (Country Code 242), Mauritania (222) and Mozambique (258); Albania (355); Bhutan (975) in Asia; Mayotte (269) in the Indian Ocean; Syria (963); and the Pacific island nations of Cook Islands (682), Nauru (674), and Solomon Islands (677).

By dialing a call directly rather than using an operator, callers are connected more quickly and easily, and at a lower cost. As an example, a five-minute, direct-dialed call from the U.S. to Syria during the least expensive time of day will cost $8.95. The least expensive operator-assisted rate for a five-minute call to Syria is $12.21.

AT&T completes more than one billion international calls each year to more than 270 countries and areas. Americans can now direct-dial 177 countries and areas with the addition of the 10 announced today. International calling service to Albania had not been available even through operators before April 1990, due to restrictions the Albanian government had placed on international calling for more than 40 years.

All calls to Syria have required operator assistance since 1934. Direct-dial service is less expensive than operator-assisted calling, so the new service will benefit the estimated 110,000 people of Syrian descent living in the U.S.

Direct dialing was introduced domestically by AT&T in 1951. Overseas direct dialing began in 1970 to the United Kingdom, and by 1980 the capability rose to 70 countries.

CONTACT: Dave Bikle, 201-953-7614, or home at 201-871-0047, or Rick Wallerstein, 201-953-7911, or home at 201-771-9570, of AT&T

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#90320p7884 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Bell Atlantic International and U S West International Holdings, Inc. today signed agreements with the Post and Telecommunications Administrations of the Czech and Slovak Republic that will create joint venture companies to build and operate cellular mobile and packet data networks in Czechoslovakia.

Under terms of the agreements, one joint venture company will operate in the Czech Republic, the other in the Slovak Republic. The Post and Telecommunications Administrations will own 51 percent of each company, with Bell Atlantic and U S West jointly owning the remaining 49 percent.

In addition, Bell Atlantic and U S West will provide equipment and services to modernize and expand Czechoslovakia's existing telecommunications infrastructure.

Bell Atlantic and U S West signed letters of intent last June to participate in these projects.

"Bell Atlantic is proud of be part of this effort to share in the growth of Czechoslovakia as it moves toward a free market economy," said Raymond W. Smith, chairman and CEO of Bell Atlantic Corporation (NYSE: BEL).

U S West President and Chief Executive Officer Richard D. McCormick attended today's signing ceremonies and said: "We applaud the leadership that Czechoslovakia has taken in opening the telecommunications sector to investment in new technology. These actions will make it possible to build a strong communications infrastructure that will open up new opportunities for the people and government of Czechoslovakia.

Bell Atlantic Corporation is the Philadelphia-based parent of telephone companies serving more than 17 million customers in the mid-Atlantic region of the United States and companies that provide cellular communications, computer maintenance, and financial and leasing services in U.S. and international markets. Bell Atlantic also owns Telecom Corporation of New Zealand in

partnership with Ameritech. Bell Atlantic has assets of nearly $28 billion.

U S West, Inc. (NYSE: USW) is a $27 billion diversified company headquartered in Englewood, Colo., a suburb of Denver. Its major subsidiary, U S West Communications, serves the communications needs of 12 million customers in 14 states of the western United States.

CONTACT: Michael Houghton of Bell Atlantic, 703-974-1677; Nancy Stern Ware of Bell Atlantic Europe, 011-322-774-1511; or Rebecca Herbst of U S West, 303-649-4658

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#90320p7885 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Golden Oil Company (NASDAQ) today reported operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

GOLDEN OIL COMPANY
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$599,320	$292,299	$1,621,365	$617,133
Net earnings (loss)	(84,032)	(234,092)	(381,103)	(565,440)
Per share results:				
Net earnings (loss)	$(.01)	$(.07)	$(.05)	$(.21)
Wtd. avg. no. of com. shrs. outstdg.	7,187,596	3,273,978	7,159,508	2,696,042

CONTACT: Stephen C. Miller of Golden Oil, 713-622-8492, or Clement J. Wyle, 212-838-6716, for Golden Oil

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#90320p7887 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOHEMIA, N.Y. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle Interco, Inc. (formerly Eagle Pharmaceuticals Inc.) has been sued as part of a stockholder derivative suit filed by an individual stockholder which also names the present and former directors of Eagle Interco, Inc. The board of directors of Eagle Interco, Inc. has determined that the company will defend this action.

CONTACT: Jonathan D. Klein, president of Eagle Interco, 516-567-0440

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#90320p7890 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Whitman Corp. (NYSE: WH) announced today that the board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend on its common

stock of 26.5 cents a share. The dividend is payable Jan. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

Whitman Corp.'s major operating companies are Pet Incorporated, Pepsi-Cola General Bottlers, Hussmann Corp. and Midas International.

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MIAMI (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - In a filing with the Office of Thrift Supervision ("OTS") earlier this week, American Savings and Loan Association of Florida (NASDAQ: ASLA) ("ASLA") announced that continued compliance with regulatory capital requirements may prove impossible if a reserve is required relating to outstanding indebtedness from The Enstar Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: ENST) ("Enstar") and its affiliates to ASLA, or if capital requirements are made more stringent by OTS. Enstar owns 50 percent of ASLA's common stock. The indebtedness is the subject of supervisory directives and a proposed cease and desist order issued by OTS, described in that filing with OTS.

Under the terms of a capital maintenance agreement, executed in connection with Enstar's acquisition of ASLA, Enstar is required to provide additional capital to ASLA in order to maintain ASLA's regulatory capital at required levels. Enstar announced yesterday that if ASLA does not meet its regulatory capital requirements at Dec. 31, 1990, then, in light of Enstar's liquidity position, Enstar might not be able to infuse sufficient additional capital to bring ASLA into compliance with its capital requirements as of Dec. 31, 1990.

ASLA's management currently believes that it will be required to provide loss reserves against the indebtedness from Enstar and its affiliates to ASLA that will cause ASLA's regulatory capital to fall below required levels.

If ASLA does not meet its minimum regulatory capital standards, it will be required to submit a capital plan to the OTS. The plan would have to address ASLA's need for increased capital, describe the manner in which ASLA would increase its capital so as to achieve compliance with regulatory capital requirements, specify the type and level of activities in which ASLA would engage, and would require any increase in assets to be accompanied by (i) an increase in tangible capital not less in percentage amount than the leverage limit then applicable, and (ii) an increase in capital not less in percentage amount than required under the risk-based capital standard then applicable. The plan must be acceptable to the OTS.

American Savings currently operates a network of 5 mortgage offices and 55 retail banking offices in Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, Pinellas, Hernando and Pasco counties. American Savings is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank System and its deposits are Federally insured. American Savings' common

shares are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ASLA.

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PALO ALTO, CALIF. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Varian Associates Inc. (NYSE: VAR) today said that it is proceeding with the negotiation of a final contract for the sale of its RF Subsystems business unit to Signal Technology Corp. of Weymouth, Mass.

Price and terms of the transaction were not disclosed; however, the company noted that it expects to reach a satisfactory agreement and close the sale in the near future.

The RF (Radio Frequency) Subsystems unit, located in Beverly, Mass., is one of several non-core operations and product lines which Varian plans to dispose of under a restructuring announced in May. The unit being purchased by Signal produces RF signal processing components for various defense applications. It employs approximately 100 workers and has some $8 million in annual sales.

Another substantially larger Varian business unit, Crossed-Field & Receiver Protector Products, also located in Beverly, is not involved in the transaction and will not be affected by the anticipated sale.

Varian Associates Inc. is a diversified, international, high technology company with sales in excess of $1 billion annually. Headquartered in Palo Alto, Calif., it produces components for medical, communications, scientific, industrial, and defense markets worldwide.

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NORRISTOWN, Pa. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Provident American Corporation, an insurance holding company, announced today that for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, it had a loss from operations of $1,725,000, or $.30 per share on gross revenue of $37,115,000. The results compare with a gain from operations of $56,000, or $.02 per share, on gross revenue of $275,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Provident had an operating loss of $1,460,000, or $.25 per share, on gross revenue of $12,345,000 compared with a gain of $34,000, or $.01 per share, on gross revenue of $175,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

In October 1989, Provident acquired Maine National Life Insurance Company in an exchange of common stock and this acquisition has been treated as a reverse purchase for accounting purposes. Accordingly, the financial results for the nine and three month periods of 1989, represent only Maine National's operations.

Operating results for 1990 are severely impacted by adverse claim experience on one block of group accident and health business, which had been administered by an unrelated third party administrator until November 1989. At Sept. 30, 1990, an additional claim reserve of $1,500,000 for the prior year claim experience was established with respect to this block of business. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, this block has incurred a loss of $2,600,000, including the addition to reserves of $2,200,000 for prior year claim experience. The company believes that the reserves on this business are now adequate and does not anticipate any unusual additions to these reserves in the future.

The company continues in its endeavor to increase the production of ordinary life insurance through pre-need sales and is in the process of building a national sales team that will be dedicated to this market.

Provident also announced that, effective Oct. 15, 1990, it sold 823,500 newly issued common shares in a private placement to a small number of individual investors raising approximately $2,800,000 of additional capital. This capital has been used to increase the surplus of Provident's life insurance subsidiary.

CONTACT: Anthony R. Verdi, chief financial officer of Provident American Corporation, 215-279-2500

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HIGHLAND PARK, Mich. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler announced today its decision to discontinue development and production plans for the new mini-sport utility vehicle, code-named JJ.

The company said that, while attractive as a joint venture, the JJ project as a stand-alone program required too great a commitment of resources that are needed for higher priority product programs.

The company reaffirmed its intention to maintain its dominant position in the sport utility market and indicated it was studying several alternatives to enhance the value of the Jeep franchise.

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#90320p7898 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
TULSA, OKLA (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Williams Companies, Inc. (NYSE: WMB) board of directors has declared a fourth-quarter dividend on the company's common stock of 35 cents per share.

The board also declared a fourth-quarter dividend of 96.875 cents per share on the company's $3.875 convertible exchangeable preferred stock.

The common stock dividend is payable on Dec. 24 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 30. The preferred stock dividend is payable on Dec. 31 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 14.

The Williams Companies, Inc. operates a nationwide digital telecommunications network and more than 25,000 miles of pipelines, which transport natural gas and petroleum products.

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#90320p7899 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
BUFFALO, NY (NOVEMBER 16) - Computer Task Group (CTG) (NYSE: TSK) has announced the promotion of Stephen A. Hoffman to Senior Vice President of Marketing and Sales.

In this role, Hoffman will be responsible for optimizing CTG's field marketing staff; managing strategic operations with CTG's business alliances -- including IBM, A.T. Kearney, and Software Applications Products (SAP) of Germany; and directing the firm's large-scale project and outsourcing opportunities.

Hoffman, a 13-year International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) veteran, joined CTG in April 1990 as manager, Major Accounts Marketing. He was promoted to vice president, Major Accounts Marketing in July 1990.

From 1988 to 1990, Hoffman worked as IBM's Buffalo Branch Manager. Prior to this experience he worked for IBM as the firm's Area Software Manager in Boston, Mass.; Marketing Manager in Syracuse, NY; Sales Instructor in Poughkeepsie, NY; and Marketing Representative in Rochester, NY. A graduate of the University of Rochester, Hoffman holds a B.A. and a M.B.A. degree in Finance.

"The naming of Steve Hoffman to the position of Senior Vice President of Marketing and Sales adds a valuable knowledge base to our corporate-wide marketing efforts," said John P. Courtney, President and Chief Operating Officer of Computer Task Group. "Hoffman's experience with IBM, coupled with

his acute understanding of our industry in general, are important assets to our clients and to CTG. I am confident that Steve's efforts and his experience will bring us closer to reaching our strategic goals."

Hoffman lives in Orchard Park, NY, with his wife, Sarah, and his three boys. Steve and Sarah Hoffman are natives of Lewiston, NY.

CTG is an international consulting, systems integration and professional services firm. Founded in 1966, CTG is listed on the NYSE under the symbol, TSK. CTG serves 85 of the Fortune 100 with a staff of more than 4,000, and through a network of 65 business units in the U.S., Canada, United Kingdom, Belgium, the Netherlands, Denmark and Germany.

CONTACT: Joanne Starr of Computer Task Group, 716-887-7276

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Park-Ohio Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: PKOH), a diversified manufacturing company, have declared a regular quarterly dividend of 19 cents per share on the Company's preferred stock. It is payable Dec. 15, 1990 to shareholders of record Dec. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: James B. Kirkhoff of Park-Ohio Industries, Inc.
216-991-9700, or Stanley L. Ulchaker of Edward Howard & Co.,
216-781-2400, for Park-Ohio Industries, Inc.

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#90320p7907 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
KANSAS CITY, MO. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Worldwide agricultural research goes high tech as SAZTEC International Inc. (NASDAQ: SAZZ), announces the signing of an agreement with Knowledge Access International for the conversion of one of the world's largest agricultural research document collections. The document collection of the Consultative Group for International Agricultural Research (CGIAR), whose Secretariat is located at the World Bank, will be converted to electronic format by SAZTEC and published on compact disc read only memory (CD-ROM) by Knowledge Access International utilizing the KAware Disk Publisher(TM) and KAware(TM) Retrieval Software System. The resulting library will be one of the world's largest agricultural document collections available on CD-ROM.

According to Gary N. Abernathy, vice chairman for SAZTEC, this project exemplifies the company's information management and conversion capabilities. "This contract is another example of SAZTEC's ability to integrate both graphics and text into a data base for use on CD-ROM. The result of this landmark conversion will be the largest CD-ROM library in the world dedicated to agricultural research," Abernathy said.

The research library will consist of approximately 25 CD-ROM discs containing the text and images from more than 5,000 documents representing close to a half-million pages of information. The CD-ROM discs will be accessed in three different languages -- English, French and Spanish -- to help support its distribution to agricultural researchers worldwide.

The conversion process, according to Abernathy, will be completed in two phases, with the first phase completed by June 1991.

CGIAR is an informal association of 40 donor agencies established in 1971 to support agricultural research around the world. Knowledge Access International is a leading producer of indexing and retrieval software for business, education and professional use. SAZTEC International, a world leader in information management, provides services for data base construction and information conversion utilizing computer processing, electronic imaging, optical character recognition, data entry and other technologies.

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GREENFIELD, MASS. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - West Mass Bankshares, Inc. ("West Mass") and the Bank of Western Massachusetts ("BWM") today announced the execution of a revised Non-Binding Letter of Intent, pursuant to which BWM, through the formation of a new holding company ("BWM Holding Company"), would acquire all the issued and outstanding shares of West Mass.

As stated in the revised Non-Binding Letter of Intent, each shareholder of West Mass would receive a combination of cash and shares of BWM Holding Company stock at a price equal to 100 percent of the adjusted book value of West Mass at Dec. 31, 1990. The combination is intended to result in the acquisition being treated as a tax-free reorganization with respect to the shares of BWM Holding Company stock to be received by West Mass shareholders. For the purpose of the exchange, the value of BWM Holding Company stock to be received by West Mass shareholders is to be agreed upon.

The revised non-Binding Letter of Intent will expire upon the earlier of the execution of a Definitive Agreement or Jan. 31, 1991, unless otherwise extended by mutual consent. Any Definitive Agreement will be subject to, among other things, regulatory and shareholder approval, as well as to the completion of certain financing by BWM.

CONTACT: Jim Neill of West Mass Bankshares, Inc., 413-774-3713

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#90320p7919 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Commercial Composites division of Advanced Materials, a subsidiary of BP Chemicals Inc., today announced that its Filon manufacturing plant in Hawthorne, Calif., will be closed, effective on or about Apr. 1, 1991.

The Filon plant, which manufactures plastic panels used for RV bodies, greenhouses, signs and building products, will be consolidated with the company's two other Filon plants in Ft. Wright, Ky. and Jonesboro, Ark.

In addition, the division's headquarters group will relocate from Hawthorne to the greater Cincinnati area. The move will begin during the first quarter, 1991, and should be completed by Sept. 1, 1991. The Hawthorne office will remain open during the transition period.

The company's Silmar plant in Hawthorne, adjacent to the Filon facility, will remain in operation. Silmar produces high quality polyester resins for materials in cultured marble and moldings for car and boat parts.

The closing of the Filon plant will result in the permanent layoff of approximately 41 hourly and 6 supervisory employees. The headquarters relocation will result in the permanent layoff of 47 salaried employees. About 20 employees will be transferred to the new headquarters.

All employees involved in the layoffs will be offered job search assistance and personal counseling.

"The market for Filon products continues to grow, but at a slower pace than anticipated," said Larry Wentz, vice president and general manager, commercial composites. "The Hawthorne facility is being closed because it has the least favorable economics of our existing plants.

The Jonesboro and Ft. Wright plants are closer to our customer base, and will enable us to continue to grow with demand."

The Jonesboro plant is currently under construction. When completed in early 1991, the plant will offer the advantages of up-to-date technology and improved operating efficiencies over similar plants, according to Wentz.

The Hawthorne plant began operations in 1955, and was purchased in 1966 by Standard Oil (now BP America).

CONTACT: Tony Kozlowski of BP America, 216-586-5577, or Phil Vancil of Commercial Composites, 213-241-5615

-30- 2399

#90320p7930 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Acme-Cleveland Corporation (NYSE: AMT) today reported net earnings for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $5.1 million, or $.77 a common share, compared to net earnings for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1989 of $7.0 million, or $1.07 a common share. For the fourth quarter, the corporation's reported net earnings were $.4 million, or $.06 a common share, compared to net earnings of $2.1 million, or $.32 a common share during the comparable period in fiscal 1989.

Reported earnings included nonrecurring other income of $.8 million, or $.12 a common share, in fiscal 1990 and $1.0 million, or $.16 a common share, in fiscal 1989, and nonrecurring other expense in 1990 of $3.4 million for the fiscal year and $1.8 million for the fourth quarter, or $.54 and $.28 a common share, respectively.

The nonrecurring other income resulted mainly from sales of land and minority equity investments. The nonrecurring other expense for both fiscal 1990 periods resulted from charges to write down the corporation's minority equity investment in International Twist Drill (Holdings) Limited (ITD).

Sales in 1990 were $199.5 million for the fiscal year and $47.9 million for the fourth quarter compared to $191.0 million and $48.9 million for the corresponding periods in 1989. Consolidated orders booked for fiscal 1990 were $197.1 million compared to $201.4 million in fiscal 1989. Fourth quarter consolidated orders booked were $47.1 million versus $50.9 million for the previous quarter and $44.8 million for the fourth quarter in fiscal 1989. The order backlog was $30.0 million at Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $35.7 million at Sept. 30, 1989.

In commenting on results, David L. Swift, president and chief executive officer, said "Fiscal 1990 was a successful year in terms of operating performance but a disappointing year because of the decline in net earnings. Operating earnings before nonrecurring items improved about 25 percent on a rather modest sales increase; and orders booked, in the aggregate, were essentially equal to the prior year despite weakening industrial activity in several key U.S. markets. Orders booked in FY 1989 also included two unusually large contracts that did not repeat in FY 1990. The write-down of the corporations's minority equity investment in ITD which was the primary cause of the decrease in net earnings became necessary because of substantial losses incurred by an ITD subsidiary in discontinuing their manufacturing operations. The write-down is behind us. The underlying reason for our initial investment in ITD, to secure better access to the European cutting tool market remains valid.

"The year-to-year decrease in fourth quarter sales reflected a mix shift to lower-priced type multiple spindle machines and the absence of a large telecommunications contract. These two factors offset gains elsewhere. The year-over-year increase in customer orders for the quarter included gains in both of the corporation's product business segments, metalworking products and

telecommunications and electronics products, and in all operating units but one. The decreases from third quarter levels for both sales and orders booked reflected seasonal patterns and timing of customer demand."

Acme-Cleveland Corporation manufactures and sells telecommunications products, sensor devices and controls, cutting tools, multi-spindle machine tools, quality assurance products and systems, and related parts and services.

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Acme-Cleveland Corporation, 216-292-2100

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#90320p7932 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobson Stores Inc. (OTC: JCBS) today reported sales for the third quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990, of $88,305,000, down 3 percent from $91,316,000 last year. Net earnings for the quarter were $277,000, or 5 cents per share compared to net earnings of $2,648,000, or 46 cents per share in the prior year.

Sales for the 39 weeks ended Oct. 27 increased from $263,589,000 to $266,532,000, up 1 percent. Net loss for the nine months was $1,448,000, or 25 cents per share compared to net earnings of $4,093,000, or 71 cents per share for the same period last year.

"Results thus far this year have been disappointing. While we planned for the new store start-up and tenancy costs which we have absorbed this year, we did not anticipate a weakening economic environment to the extent we have seen, with its impact on operating margins. However, the most important part of the year is still ahead and we are going into the holiday season with our inventories and expenses well-controlled," said J.R. Fowler, chairman and CEO.

Jacobson's operates specialty department stores in 24 cities in Michigan, Ohio Indiana and Florida.

JACOBSON STORES INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS
(unaudited)
(in thousands except per-share data)

	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	Oct. 27, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989	Oct. 27, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
Net sales	$ 88,305	$ 91,316	$266,532	$263,589
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	414	4,012	(2,161)	6,201
Provision (credit) for income taxes	137	1,364	(713)	2,108
Net earnings (loss)	277	2,648	(1,448)	4,093

Per common share:				
Primary	.05	.46	(.25)	.71
Fully diluted	.05	.44	(.25)	.71
Average shares outstanding				
Primary	5,779	5,792	5,779	5,785
Fully diluted	6,835	6,848	6,835	6,845

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DENVER (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Capital Investment Corp. (NASDAQ: WECA) has been informed that its largest stockholder intends to dispose of all its stock holdings in Western Capital. The company indicated that, at present it has no knowledge of the time period over which this stock will be sold.

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#90320p7934 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBANY, OR (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Synthetech Inc. (NASDAQ: NZYM) today at its annual shareholders meeting announced a profit for the fiscal 1991 second quarter ended Sept. 30 of $3,184 on revenues of $390,684, all of which were product sales. Last year's second quarter showed a profit of $76,000 on revenues of $401,000 with $362,000 from product sales and $39,000 from contract services and licensing.

Paul C. Ahrens, president and chief executive officer of the company, stated, "This quarter marks our third consecutive quarter of increased product sales. It is also our best product sales quarter to date and we expect the third and fourth quarters to continue to set records. Based on sales to date and current backlog, we expect the second half fiscal year's sales to exceed $1 million, compared to the first half sales of $665,000."

Ahrens also stated, "The company's customer base and product line continued to expand for the ninth consecutive quarter." He cautioned, however, that, although the company is seeing larger orders more frequently, the company has not yet established an ongoing base load of demand for its products and future quarter-to-quarter fluctuations in results are possible.

Synthetech is a bulk producer and marketer of Peptide Building Blocks for use by pharmaceutical companies in manufacturing peptide- based pharmaceuticals. The range of potential uses for peptide-based pharmaceuticals includes AIDS, cancer, hypertension, endometriosis, osteoporosis, cardiovascular disorders, appetite control, emphysema, dementia, immune disorders, CNS injury, analgesic birth control and vaccines.

CONTACT: Paul C. Ahrens or Charlie B. Williams of Synthetech Inc., 503-967-6575

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WATERBURY, CONN. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Webster Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: WBST) today announced it has completed its second stock repurchase program. Since May of 1990, the corporation has repurchased 351,700 shares of Webster common stock, or 10 percent of shares which were outstanding prior to the second repurchase program. To date, the corporation has repurchased 548,500 shares of Webster stock, or 15 percent of the 3,722,359 shares issued in conjunction with the corporation's initial public stock offering in December 1986.

Webster Financial Corporation reported assets of $701.5 million and shareholders' equity of $62.9 million as of Sept. 30, 1990. Shareholders' equity amounted to 8.97 percent of assets, substantially in excess of all fully phased-in regulatory capital requirements. Webster is the holding company for First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Waterbury, which has 11 offices serving the Greater Waterbury area.

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-30- 1201

#90320p7949 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Minneapolis-based Vaughn Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: VGHN) reports it has entered into an agreement to purchase a Portland, Ore.-competitor, Teknifilm, Inc., Oregon's largest film-video-audio laboratory.

David Willette, president of Vaughn Communications, Inc., said that the acquisition of Teknifilm, which reported annual sales of $1,900,000 last year, will increase the company's Vaughn Duplication Services division market position in the Pacific Northwest and fits the previously announced plan to expand its duplication business nationally. Vaughn currently has duplicating facilities in Minneapolis, Tampa, Phoenix and Milwaukee, and sales offices in New York, St. Louis, and Portland.

Vaughn Communications, Inc. consists of three separate operating divisions: Vaughn Duplication Services provides high-speed videotape duplication to business, industry, and educators; Vaughn Display Group manufactures and distributes leather gift items for resale, and display and promotional products; Vaughn Broadcast Rental serves the broadcast industry with high-tech video and audio equipment rental.

The sale is expected to be finalized on or about Nov. 30, 1990.

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CHERRY HILL, N.J. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Rocking Horse Child Care Centers of America, Inc. (NASDAQ: RHCC), the nation's fastest growing publicly traded child care company, "achieved record revenue and operating profit in the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, spurred by the company's acquisition of 28 centers in California and seven centers in North Carolina in late 1989," John Quaintance, president, reported today. "Interest charges associated with debt incurred to fund this acquisition strategy created a loss for the current period. With 100 centers now in operation, up from six when new management took over in 1986, Rocking Horse now is of the size where it will be emphasizing new center development rather than this aggressive acquisition strategy, and therefore our growth strategy for the next 24 months will be to concentrate on shortening the cycle between start-up and profitability of new centers, while reducing debt."

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Rocking Horse had revenues of $8,286,268, a 46 percent increase over the $5,673,572 reported for the same three-month period a year ago. Operating income for the quarter declined 8 percent to $973,852 from $1,059,761 for the comparable 1989 quarter. Net loss for the quarter was ($569,572), or ($0.05) per share, versus net profit of $49,381, or $0.00 per share in the 1989 quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Rocking Horse had a 61 percent increase in revenues to $26,795,213 from revenues of $16,646,034 in the year ago nine-month period. Operating income for the nine months increased by 33 percent to $4,528,414 compared with $3,397,788 in 1989. Net loss for the nine months was ($491,704), or ($0.05) per share, compared with net income of $528,540, or $0.05 per share in the first nine months of 1989.

The Rocking Horse Child Care Centers of America, Inc., has been cited by INC. Magazine as the nation's fastest growing publicly traded child care company over the last five years. Since 1985, the company has grown from an operator of six child care centers, to an operator of 100 centers delivering high quality child care in 11 states.

THE ROCKING HORSE CHILD CARE CENTERS OF AMERICA, INC.
Consolidated, Unaudited Statement of Operations

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 8,286,268	$ 5,673,572
Center operating profit	973,852	1,059,761
Net income	(569,572)	49,381
Earnings per share	(0.05)	0.00

Wtd. avg. no. of shares outstanding	11,173,058	11,346,192
Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$26,795,213	$16,646,034
Center operating profit	4,528,414	3,397,788
Net income	(491,704)	528,540
Earnings per share	(0.05)	0.05
Wtd. avg. no. of shares outstanding	10,887,995	11,320,767

CONTACT: Edwin J. Thomas, chief financial officer of Rocking Horse Child Care, 609-482-9100

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MIDDLETOWN, PA. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Homestead Holding Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: HMSD) today reported that net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $40,289 or $.03 per share, compared to $.47 per share in third quarter 1989.

Gary L. Holman, president and chief executive officer, attributed the lower earnings to an increase in loan loss reserves of approximately $175,000 and a more restrictive regulatory environment. The $175,000 represents approximately $.15 earnings per share.

Homestead Holding Corp. is a unitary savings and loan holding company incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Homestead Holding Corp. conducts operations through its wholly owned subsidiary, Homestead Savings Association. Homestead Holding Corp. trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "HMSD."

CONTACT: David A. Doyle of Homestead Holding, 717-944-1301

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NEW CUMBERLAND, PA. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of CCNB Corp. (NASDAQ: CCNC) today declared a fourth quarter cash dividend of $.20 per share of common.

This is equal to the dividend paid for the third quarter of this year. The record date is Nov. 30, 1990, and the payment date is Dec. 15.

The 1990 fourth quarter $.20 dividend compares to $.19 paid for the fourth quarter of 1989.

The return on average assets at the end of the third quarter was 1.04 percent. Total assets had increased 8.31 percent from Sept. 30, 1989, to

$1,256,236,000.

CCNB is a multi-bank and thrift holding company based in New Cumberland, and is the parent company of CCNB Bank, The Gettysburg National Bank and Parent Federal Savings Bank, which collectively operate 41 financial service locations in six central Pennsylvania counties.

CONTACT: John E. Hakes, executive vice president of CCNB Corp., 717-774-7000

-30- 1115

#90320p7968 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRISTOL, CT (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Barnes Group Inc. (NYSE: B) today declared a regular cash dividend of 35 cents per share on its common stock for the fourth quarter of 1990, payable Dec. 7 to shareholders of record Nov. 29, 1990. The company had 6,089,476 shares outstanding as of the date of declaration.

Barnes Group, a diversified international company based in Bristol, is a leading direct-to-user distributor of consumable replacement parts and supplies for the maintenance and repair market, and a leader in manufacturing precision springs and components for aerospace, automotive and other durable goods industries.

	Quarterly Dividends				
Paid	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
1990	$.35	$.35	$.35	$.35	$1.40
1989	.35	.35	.35	.35	1.40

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-30- 1063

#90320p7971 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Manufacturers National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MNTL) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.58 per share, payable Dec. 21, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

Manufacturers National Corporation is a bank holding company headquartered in Detroit. It operates banks in Michigan and Illinois, and other financial subsidiaries in Delaware, Florida, Michigan and Illinois. The corporation reported assets of $11.5 billion on Sept. 30, 1990.

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MADISON, WIS. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Madison Gas and Electric Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: MDSN) today declared the regular quarterly dividend of $0.65 per share on the outstanding shares of the company's common stock, payable Dec. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Dec. 1, 1990.

MGE is a public utility engaged in generation and transmission of electric energy and in its distribution over 250 square miles in Madison and surrounding areas. The company also distributes natural gas through 962 square miles in and around Madison.

CONTACT: G. H. Phipps, senior vice president of Madison Gas and Electric, 608-252-7022; or Hal Bergen or Sharon Peters of Ruder/Finn, 312-644-8600, for Madison Gas and Electric

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#90320p7974 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEWARK, NJ (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Visual Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: VISC), today announced revenues and earnings for the second quarter ended.

VISUAL INDUSTRIES, INC.

Periods ended	Three Months		Six months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$6,258,218	$6,503,080	$12,853,393	$13,614,940
Net loss before taxes	(317,651)	(340,021)	(375,422)	(405,530)
Provision for (refundable) taxes	--	--	--	(10,000)
Net loss	(317,651)	(340,021)	(345,422)	(415,530)
Net loss per share	(.09)	(.10)	(.11)	(.12)
Avg. no. of shares outstanding	3,484,687	3,484,687	3,484,687	3,484,687

Visual Industries, Inc. and its subsidiaries manufacture specialized equipment and furniture for the professional engineering, drafting and art fields, as well as the leisure art field; steel office furniture; and high density storage and retrieval systems for the industrial, institutional, financial, governmental, hospital, pharmaceutical and health-care fields.

CONTACT: John A. Freeland or Jules Brenin of Visual Industries, 201-242-6600

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#90320p7976 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW BRIGHTON, MN (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Dotronix, Inc. (NASDAQ: DOTX) today

announced results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the quarter were $5,462,828 compared to $5,700,005 for the same quarter last year. First quarter earnings were a loss of $(273,297) or $(.09) per share, from $(401,632) or $(.12) per share, a year earlier. The decrease versus last year's comparable quarter reflects continued strong competition. However, revenue and units shipped increased 17 percent and 12 percent, respectively, over the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990.

President William S. Sadler said that this improvement over last quarter shows the increasing acceptance of the company's new products. He also said that the effectiveness of cost cutting efforts is shown by the very significant reduction in the quarterly loss from last year on slightly less revenue.

Dotronix, Inc. designs and manufactures DOT-X displays for a variety of electronic imaging applications including desktop publishing, airline flight information, medical imaging/diagnostics, test and measurement instruments, CAD/CAM CAE and graphics, industrial process control, bank/brokerage terminals broadcast television and video production, as well as closed-circuit television security systems. Dotronix has facilities in Minnesota, Colorado, Wisconsin, and Taiwan.

DOTRONIX, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS DATA

	Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$5,462,828	$5,700,005
Loss before income taxes	(308,297)	(567,632)
Income tax credit	(35,000)	(166,000)
Net loss	$(273,297)	$(401,632)
Loss per share	$(.09)	$(.12)
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,166,696	3,242,296

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DATA
(Dollars in Thousands)

	9/30/90	6/30/90
Cash and equivalents	$956	$2,045
Current assets	13,399	15,411
Total assets	18,201	20,373
Current liabilities	5,564	10,320
Long-term obligations	3,258	401
Stockholders' equity	9,379	9,652

CONTACT: Warren White of Dotronix, 612-633-1742

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#90320p7977 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOWLING GREEN, OHIO (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - The Mid Am, Inc. (NASDAQ: MIAM) board of directors has declared a cash dividend of $.24 per share payable to shareholders of record on Dec. 10, 1990, announced Edward J. Reiter, chairman and chief executive officer of the holding company.

This dividend on 5,892,480 shares outstanding will be distributed to more than 4,300 shareholders on Dec. 20, 1990, and will total approximately $1,414,195. After adjustment for this past September's stock dividend, this cash dividend represents an increase of 5.6 percent from 1989's fourth quarter cash dividend. Total dividends declared in 1990, on a per share basis, amount to $.95 which represents a 13 percent increase over the prior year. The company's cash dividends per share have increased since 1985 at an average compounded annual rate of 15 percent.

Mid Am, Inc. has four financial service subsidiaries which include Mid American National Bank and Trust Company, Bowling Green; First National Bank Northwest Ohio, Bryan; The Farmers Banking Company, N.A., Lakeview; and The Citizens Loan and Building Company, Lima. An affiliation is pending with Citizens Federal Savings and Loan Association, Bellefontaine. Upon completion, Mid Am, Inc. will have assets in excess of $1.2 billion with 55 banking centers operating in 12 counties throughout northwest and west central Ohio.

CONTACT: David R. Francisco, president and chief operating officer of Mid Am, Inc., 419-352-5271

-30- 1661
#90320p7979 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

JERICHO, N.Y. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Getty Petroleum Corp. (NYSE: GTY) said today that it will appeal the conviction of its subsidiary, Getty Terminals Corp., for both conspiring to evade, and for the evasion of, federal gasoline excise taxes in 1985.

CONTACT: Stephen Salzman of Getty Petroleum, 516-338-1212

-30- 463
#90320p7980 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, WV (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Petroleum Development Corp. (NASDAQ: PETD) today announced that it has signed commitment letters with Pittsburgh National Bank and Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co.

Under the terms of these commitment letters, Manufacturers Hanover will provide an immediate credit facility of $4.75 million, with proceeds from the loan to be used to liquidate all outstanding indebtedness at Pittsburgh National. The current balance of the loan at Pittsburgh National is $11.5 million. The reduction will result in a gain of approximately $4 million. As a

part of the transaction, Manufacturers Hanover will also receive five-year warrants to acquire 2,750,000 PDC common stock at the market value as of the time of commitment. At the time of commitment the market price of the stock was $.50 per share. Full terms of the final agreements will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commissions when the transaction is completed.

As a part of the transaction, Petroleum Development Corp. will be granted rights to repurchase common stock currently held by Pittsburgh National under various terms. Closing is scheduled promptly and is subject to several conditions as outlined in the commitment letters.

James N. Ryan, chairman, stated, "This transaction is a major step forward for Petroleum Development Corp. It will allow PDC to use much more of its cash flow to build the value of the company instead of paying interest. The move greatly increases the company's growth prospects, and immediately increases the value of the company to its shareholders. We look forward to our new association with Manufacturers Hanover, and their participation in our growth plans during the 1990s."

B.A. Lingard & Company Inc. assisted the company in negotiating this transaction and obtaining the financing.

Petroleum Development Corp., a leading Appalachian independent oil and gas company, is headquartered in Bridgeport, W.Va., and is engaged in the business of exploring for, developing and producing oil and natural gas. Petroleum Development's common stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market with the symbol PETD.

CONTACT: Dale G. Rettinger of Petroleum Development Corp., 304-842-3597

-30- 2418
#90320p7981 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

YORK, PA. (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert W. Pullo, president of York Financial Corp., York (NASDAQ: YFED), announced today that York Financial has postponed the acquisition of American Federal Savings, Franklin, Pa., as a result of conditions in the economy and particularly the stock prices of financial institutions.

York Financial previously announced the acquisition of American Federal by York Financial through a conversion/acquisition whereby American Federal would convert to stock form and be simultaneously acquired by York Financial. As part of the transaction, York Financial would have offered additional shares of its common stock to depositors and other members of American Federal and stockholders of York Financial in an amount equal to the appraised value of American Federal. Any remaining shares would have been offered to the general public in a broker-assisted community offering.

Pullo stated, "American Federal is a fine organization and we are disappointed that we are unable to proceed with the acquisition at this time." Pullo noted that the motivating factor for entering into the transaction was to build shareholder value through an immediate increase in book value and earnings per share for York Financial shareholders. The concern about the capital market's weak support of additional equity issues and depressed stock market prices make an additional equity offering virtually impossible at this time and would not achieve York Financial objectives.

York Financial Corp. is the parent holding company of York Federal Savings and Loan Association, a federally chartered savings and loan association. York Federal currently operates 19 full-service office facilities in Pennsylvania and Maryland.

CONTACT: Robert W. Pullo, president of York Financial, 717-846-8777, or Gregory C. LaRocca, president of American Federal Savings, 814-432-2195

-30- 2081

#90320p7984 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Granada Foods Corp. (AMEX: GNF) today reported gains in both sales and earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to the comparable 1989 period.

According to David G. Eller, chairman and chief executive officer, the stronger earnings performance thus far in 1990 primarily reflects increased sales from the red meat division.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $148,000, or 4 cents per share, compared with net income of $15,000, or one cent per share, in the 1989 period. Revenues were $101,783,000, an 8 percent increase from $94,147,000 in the year-earlier period. The 1990 per share data was based on 3,379,000 average outstanding common shares compared to 2,200,000 for the 1989 period.

Eller said that revenues for the period increased primarily due to a gain in its TMP subsidiary meat product sales in the Houston and San Antonio markets. He said turkey sales were about equal to last year and there was a decline in export sales due to continuing competition and oversupply in a key market.

For the third quarter of 1990, net income was $18,000 or one cent per share, compared with $41,000, or 2 cents per share, for the third quarter of 1989. The decrease in net income is attributable to the decline in export sales and to lower feedyard sales. Revenues were $32,297,000 down slightly from $33,133,000 in the prior year.

The third quarter 1990 per share amount was based on 3,477,000 average outstanding common shares, while the 1989 per share amount was computed on the basis of 2,200,000 average outstanding common shares.

On Sept. 30, 1990, Granada Foods had working capital of $19.3 million. Shareholders' equity was $24.5 million.

Granada Foods Corp. is the largest meat purveyor in Texas and the largest smoker of whole body turkeys in the nation. The company is a producer, marketer and distributor of value-added food, specializing in certain red meat and poultry products. The company's Texas-based processing and distribution facilities service various metropolitan areas in the continental United States and certain international markets.

CONTACT: Nancy Hudgins of Granada Corp., 713-977-7000

-30- 2422

#90320p7985 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Crest Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: CRII) today reported unaudited net sales and net loss for its second quarter, which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $7.3 million, down 8 percent from $7.9 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The company reported a net loss for the quarter of approximately $334,000, or ($0.10) per share for the quarter, as compared to pro forma net income of $30,000, or $0.01 per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The overall decrease in net sales resulted from offsetting factors in several product categories. Sales of lighting products, which includes track and recessed, increased approximately $900,000, up 81 percent from 1989. This is a result of the company's focus on supporting and expanding these product lines. Crest Building Products, Inc., an 80 percent owned subsidiary, reported net sales of approximately $300,000. The subsidiary did not exist in 1989.

Offsetting these increases were decreases in fans and air conditioners totaling approximately $1 million, down 20 percent from 1989. Management attributes this decrease to mild weather and increasing uncertainties in the marketplace, which caused cancellation and delays in placing orders at the end of the selling season. Management's decision to discontinue locks and brass products resulted in no sales in the hardware category which represents a decrease of approximately $840,000 from 1989.

Pro forma provisions for income taxes and net income amounts for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, assume that Crest was subject to income taxes. It revoked its subchapter S election effective Jan. 1, 1990. The company

completed its initial public offering in July 1990 and currently has 3,380,000 shares outstanding.

Crest Industries, Inc. is primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of home improvement products, including ceiling fans, room air conditioners, track and recessed lighting products and plumbing fixtures. The company designs ceiling fans, track lighting products and plumbing fixtures and contracts for their manufacture by independent suppliers located in the Far East. Crest room air conditioners are produced domestically and its recessed lighting products are assembled by the company at its facility in Cleveland, Ohio.

CREST INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
For the three months ended
Sept. 30,

	1989	1990
	(Unaudited)	
NET SALES	$7,922,364	$7,317,326
COST OF GOODS SOLD	6,618,779	5,901,121
Gross profit	1,303,585	1,416,205
OPERATING EXPENSES	1,306,336	2,002,564
OTHER EXPENSE	51,035	16,485
Income (Loss) before income taxes	48,284	(569,901)
INCOME TAX PROVISION (Benefit)	535	(235,914)
NET INCOME (Loss)	47,749	$ (333,987)
NET INCOME (Loss) PER SHARE	--	$ (0.10)
PRO FORMA AMOUNTS:		
Provision for income taxes	17,786	
Pro forma net income	$ 29,963	
Pro forma net income per share	$ .01	
Weighted average number of outstanding shares of common stock and common stock equivalents	2,492,678	3,329,430

CONTACT: Gary Rodney, vice president of finance of Crest Industries, Inc., 305-592-5699

-30- 3807

#90320p7991 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI BEACH, FL (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Beverly J. Davis has been elected vice president/human resources of Jefferson Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: JBNC), and of its subsidiary banks including Jefferson National Bank, Jefferson National Bank at Sunny Isles and Jefferson Bank.

Davis' election was announced by Arthur H. Courshon, chairman of the boards of Jefferson Bancorp, Inc. and the three subsidiary banks. As the director of Human Resources, Davis' responsibilities will include employment, compensation and benefits, payroll and career counseling. The human resources department is located in the Jefferson National Bank building, 301 Arthur Godfrey Road, Miami Beach, Fla.

Prior to joining Jefferson, Davis was with City National Bank for three years as personnel officer and has held similar positions in Eagle National Bank, Coca Cola Bottling and Pan American Bank.

Davis serves on the boards of directors of the Personnel Association of Greater Miami and the Advisory Board of the Dade County Schools Teller Training Program, which recently won "Commmittee of the Year." She is a member of the South Florida Compensation and Benefits Association and is a volunteer for the Pembroke Lakes Elementary P.T.A. Davis attended Miami-Dade Community College and resides in Pembroke Pines, Fla.

Jefferson Bancorp, Inc., is a publicly held bank holding company with assets totaling $360 million. It owns and operates three banks with 12 offices in Dade, Broward and Palm Beach counties. Jefferson Bancorp, Inc., has served South Florida since 1964 and has been named in The Miami Herald's list of Florida's top 100 companies two consecutive years (1989 and 1990).

CONTACT: Jacqueline Chiodo of Jefferson Bancorp, Inc., 305-538-4942

-30- 1940

#90320p8008 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOVELAND, CO (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Hach Co. (NASDAQ: HACH) today announced its unaudited financial results for the second quarter and six months ended Oct. 27, 1990.

Net sales for the second quarter were $17,708,000, a 16 percent increase over net sales of $15,290,000 for the second quarter of the prior fiscal year. Net income of $1,547,000 for the second quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990 was 16 percent greater than net income of $1,335,000 for the comparable period in 1989. Net income per share was 32 cents for the second quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990 versus 28 cents for the second quarter of the prior fiscal year.

Net sales for the six months ended Oct. 27, 1990 were $34,408,000, 16 percent greater than net sales of $29,759,000 for the six months of the prior fiscal year. Net income of $2,803,000 for the first six months was 17 percent higher than the prior year's six month net income of $2,400,000. On a per-share basis, net income was 58 cents for the current fiscal year versus 50 cents for the prior fiscal year.

The company also announced that its international business, aided by the weaker U.S. dollar, continued to grow more rapidly than its domestic business.

HACH CO. EARNINGS DIGEST

	QUARTER ENDED		SIX MONTHS ENDED	
	10-27-90	10-28-89	10-27-90	10-28-89
Net sales	$17,708,000	$15,290,000	$24,408,000	$29,759,000
Net income	1,547,000	1,335,000	2,803,000	2,400,000
Net income per share	.32	.28	.58	.50

CONTACT: Frank Zupan of Hach, 303-669-3050 ext. 2251

-30- 1812

#90320p8010 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Munsingwear, Inc. (NYSE: MUN) today reported net sales of $9,442,000 for the quarter ended Oct. 6, 1990 and a loss from continuing operations of $1,206,000, or $.25 per share. For the same period last year, the company reported net sales of $11,649,000 and a loss of $2,353,000, or $.48 per share, from continuing operations.

In addition, the company reported a loss from discontinued operations of $3,077,000, or $.63 per share, primarily due to an additional provision toward the expected loss on the sales of the LeRoi Princeton division and Canadian subsidiary. For the same period last year, losses from discontinued operations were $1,525,000, or $.31 per share.

For the nine months ended Oct. 6, 1990, net sales from continuing operations totaled $31,649,000, compared to $34,381,000 last year, and a loss from continuing operations was $4,827,000, or $.99 per share, compared to a loss of $5,164,000, or $1.06 per share, last year. In addition, during the nine months, losses from discontinued operations were $22,496,000, or $4.60 per share, compared to a loss of $2,141,000, or $.44 per share, last year.

Munsingwear, Inc., a Minneapolis-based company, designs, manufactures and markets branded men's apparel and furnishings.

MUNSINGWEAR, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Amounts unaudited and in thousands, except per-share data)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	10/6/90	10/7/89(A)	10/6/90	10/7/89(A)
Net sales	$9,442	$11,649	$31,649	$34,381
Cost of sales	7,401	9,260	24,179	24,755
Gross profit	2,041	2,389	7,470	9,626
Operating expenses, including advertising, distribution, general and administrative	2,934	3,703	10,719	11,611
Operating loss	(893)	(1,314)	(3,249)	(1,985)

Other income (expense):				
Royalty income	65	60	215	189
Interest expense, net	(869)	(1,209)	(2,433)	(3,422)
Other, net	533	51	766	57
Total	(271)	(1,098)	(1,452)	(3,176)
Loss from continuing operations before income taxes	(1,164)	(2,412)	(4,701)	(5,161)
Income taxes	42	(59)	126	3
Loss from continuing operations	(1,206)	(2,353)	(4,827)	(5,164)
Discontinued operations:				
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	--	(1,525)	349	(2,141)
Loss on sale	(3,077)	--	(22,845)	--
Loss from discontinued operations	(3,077)	(1,525)	(22,496)	(2,141)
Net loss	$(4,283)	$(3,878)	$(27,323)	$(7,305)
Earnings (loss) per common share:				
Loss from continuing operations	$(0.25)	$(0.48)	$(0.99)	$(1.06)
Discontinued operations:				
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	--	(0.31)	0.07	(0.44)
Loss on sale	(0.63)	--	(4.67)	--
Loss from discontinued operations	(0.63)	(0.31)	$(4.60)	(0.44)
Net loss	$(0.88)	$(0.79)	$(5.59)	$(1.50)
Weighted average number of shares of common stock	4,889	4,884	4,889	4,882

(A) Results of the three months and nine months ended Oct. 7, 1989 have been reclassified to present discontinued operations.

CONTACT: Charles J. Campbell of Munsingwear, 612-340-4965

-30- 3824

#90320p8011 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Chiquita Brands International, Inc. ("Chiquita") (NYSE: CQB) announced today that it has filed a registration statement for a public offering by Chiquita of 2.6 million newly issued shares of its common stock.

Of these shares, it is anticipated that 1.43 million will be offered in the United States and 1.17 million will be offered outside the United States. Additionally, Chiquita has granted to the underwriters an option to purchase up to an additional 390,000 shares to cover over-allotments.

The net proceeds to be received by Chiquita will be available for general corporate purposes, including acquisitions of and investments in food-related businesses and capital expenditures.

American Financial Corporation ("AFC") beneficially owns, either directly or through its subsidiaries, approximately 61 perent of Chiquita's shares. If all shares from the offering are sold to the public (without giving effect to the over-allotment option), AFC's beneficial ownership would be approximately 57 percent of Chiquita's shares.

Lehman Brothers, Merrill Lynch & Co., Prudential-Bache Capital Funding and S.G. Warburg Securities are acting as co-managers for the domestic offering. S.G. Warburg Securities is the lead manager for the international offering.

Chiquita is a leading international marketer, processor and producer of quality fresh and prepared food products. Revenues in 1989 were $3.8 billion. In recent years, Chiquita has capitalized on its Chiquita(R) and other premium brand names by building on its worldwide leadership position in the marketing, distribution and sourcing of bananas; by expanding its quality fresh fruit and vegetable operations; and by further developing its business in value-added prepared foods.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of thses securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state. Copies of the prospectus for the offering may be obtained from any of the representatives of the underwriters named above.

CONTACT: Sandra W. Heimann of Chiquita Brands International, Inc., 513-784-8011

-30- 2786

#90320p8014 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - TransCanada PipeLines (NYSE, Toronto Montreal, Vancouver, Alberta: TRP) announced today that it has filed a shelf registration statement with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission to offer to the public up to US $1 billion of debt securities during the coming two years.

Net proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes, including financing of the company's Canadian natural gas pipeline construction program. This filing gives TransCanada access to further sources of capital for the upcoming

major facilities expansion program.

CONTACT: Bob Hodgins, VP-finance and treasurer of TransCanada PipeLines, 403-267-8545

-30- 856

#90320p8015 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - TransCanada PipeLines Ltd. (NYSE, Toronto, Montreal, Alberta, Vancouver: TRP) today announced that it plans to issue $150 million of 10 year debentures at 11.65 percent per annum and $100 million of 30 year debentures at 11.80 percent per annum. The issue of the 10 year debentures is priced at par for delivery on or about Dec. 6, 1990. The issue of the 30 year debentures is priced at 97.75 for delivery on or about Dec. 6, 1990. The holders of the 10 year debentures may convert their debentures without charge into an equivalent principal amount of 30 year debentures effective Nov. 20, 1995. The 10 year debentures will mature on Nov. 20, 2000, and the 30 year debentures will mature on Nov. 20, 2020.

Proceeds from the issue will be used to finance a portion of the company's 1990 and 1991 utility construction programs.

The underwriting group consists of Nesbitt Thomson Deacon Inc., RBC Dominion Securities Inc., ScotiaMcLeod Inc., Wood Gundy Inc. and Burns Fry Ltd.

TransCanada will be filing a short form prospectus with securities commissions across Canada in connection with this issue of debentures.

CONTACT: Bob Hodgins of TransCanada PipeLines Ltd., 403-267-8545

-30- 1388

#90320p8019 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Granada BioSciences Inc. today reported a continuing reduction of its losses for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to the first nine months of 1989.

"The improvement in the company's results is primarily attributable to continued emphasis in 1990 on increased sales of higher margin genetic products, a key element of the company's business focus," David G. Eller, chairman and chief executive, said.

The third quarter net loss was $2,230,000, or 33 cents per share, a 36 percent improvement over the net loss of $3,466,000, or 65 cents per share for the comparable 1989 quarter. Revenues for the 1990 quarter were $3,422,000, up from revenues of $3,264,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

The 1989 quarterly per share amount was based on 5,300,000 average outstanding

common shares. The 1990 quarterly per share amount was based on an increased 6,833,000 average outstanding common shares, due to a corporate restructuring last January.

For the nine-month period, the company had a net loss of $7,395,000, or $1.10 per share, down substantially from the net loss of $11,199,000, or $2.11 per share, in the 1989 nine month period. Revenues for the first three quarters of 1990 were $12,089,000, a nine percent increase over revenues of $11,079,000 in the similar 1989 period.

Granada BioSciences had working capital of $6,387,000 at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $5,701,000, at Dec. 31, 1989. The company's shareholders' equity was $32,176,000, compared to $30,818,000 at Dec. 31, 1989.

Granada BioSciences is a biotechnology and genetic engineering company which focuses its technologies on improving the quality of food products. It is a leading supplier of genetic products and reproductive technical services, including embryo cloning and transfer and sire services to both domestic and international customers in the food animal industry.

CONTACT: Nancy Hudgins of Granada Corp., 713-977-7000

-30- 2171

#90320p8024 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Dallas based Publishers Equipment Corp. today announced revenues of $12,457,000 for the third quarter of 1990, with a net loss of $4,610,000. These results compare to net income of $46,000 on revenues of $12,472,000 for the third quarter of 1989. Net loss of $7,763,000 for the first nine months of 1990 compares to net income of $1,012,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

The company has restated its 1990 financial results to reflect the recapitalization of Motter Corp. effective Oct. 1, 1990, that resulted in a reduction in the company's ownership of this subsidiary from 50.1 percent to 30.0 percent.

PUBLISHERS EQUIPMENT CORP.

	Three Months Ending September 30,		Nine Months Ending September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$12,457	$12,472	$47,109	$40,162
Net Income (Loss)	(4,610)	46	(7,763)	1,012
Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share	$ (0.95)	$ 0.01	$ (1.62)	$ 0.23
Avg. Shares Outstanding	4,847,502	4,390,850	4,793,736	4,385,756

In announcing the third quarter results, Evans Kostas, chairman and chief executive officer, cited the continued industry wide slow-down in the printing equipment markets served by the company. He noted that the company is taking appropriate steps to reduce operating expenses, and expects to see some performance improvement in the fourth quarter.

Publishers Equipment Corp., a Dallas-based public company, specializes in the design, manufacture, and marketing of web-fed presses and associated auxiliary equipment through its subsidiaries King Press Corp., Solna Web AB and Solna Web Inc.

CONTACT: Roger R. Baier of Publishers Equipment Corp., 214-931-2312

-30- 2065
#90320p8028 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - ZFAX Image Corp. (NASDAQ: ZFAXF) today announced financial results for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

	For the Three Months Ended		For the Six Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989	Sept. 30, 1989	Sept. 30, 1989
Revenues	$ 61,168	$ 14,964	$ 128,021	$ 65,365
Net (Loss)	(285,093)	(97,795)	(496,926)	(210,777)
Net (Loss) Per Share	(.10)	(.05)	(.17)	(.12)
Average Number of Shares Outstanding			2,887,250	1,787,523

The increase in the average number of shares outstanding in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was the result of the company's initial public offering of 1,150,000 shares of common stock in September 1989.

Higher sales in the company's facsimile equipment and supply operations resulted in increased revenues in the current quarter. The net loss in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased due to higher selling, general, and administrative expenses incurred in expanding the retail operation and continued research and development costs associated with the company's portable facsimile machine, PF4003.

ZFAX Image Corp. has developed a lightweight, portable facsimile machine, the PF4003. The company also operates a retail store in Dallas; Seattle, Wash. and shortly, in Everett, Wash., for the sales of facsimiles and complementary products.

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#90320p8032 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIDLAND, TX (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker & Parsley Development Partners L.P. (AMEX: PDP) announced today third quarter earnings of $4.4 million, or 84 cents per unit, on total revenues of $15.4 million. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the partnership recorded net income of $7.7 million, or $1.44 per unit, on total revenues of $45.8 million and net cash flow provided by operations of $7.2 million. Net income from operations has increased significantly from the loss of $.6 million, or 10 cents per unit (excluding $12.4 million of extraordinary gains associated with gain on sale of assets and settlement of gas contracts), reported for the comparative nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Compared to the third quarter of 1989, oil and gas revenues remained constant despite an increase in oil sales of 10 percent and a decrease in gas sales of 37 percent. The decrease in gas sales is primarily due to the sale of gas properties which occurred in 1989.

As previously announced, the acquisition through consolidation and conversion to corporate form of eight limited partnerships affiliated with Damson Oil Corp. by Parker & Parsley Petroleum Co. is proceeding. It is anticipated that the transaction will be completed in the first quarter of 1991.

CONTACT: Lon Kile or Herbert C. Williamson III of Parker & Parsley Development Partners L.P., 915-683-4768 or 800-831-3332

-30- 1582
#90320p8034 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire
TORONTO (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Roman Corporation Limited announced today that it has been granted an option to purchase 500,000 Class B shares of Lawson Mardon Group Limited for an undisclosed price.

The company said that the option is from a shareholder to whom Roman Corporation sold the shares on Oct. 18, 1990.

Helen Roman-Barber, Roman Corporation's chairman and chief executive officer, said that "The shares are an attractive investment, especially in view of our plans to sell our full interest in Lawson Mardon as part of a reorganization of Roman Corporation's business."

Exercising the option would give Roman Corporation approximately 7,500,000 Class B shares, or 26 percent of the total number of outstanding Class A and Class B shares. Because of the additional votes given to the Class B shares, this translates into a 47.6 percent voting interest in Lawson Mardon.

Roman-Barber said that "Roman Corporation does not currently intend to further

increase its equity in Lawson Mardon."

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#90320p8035 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - SFFed Corp. (NASDAQ: SFFD) today released the following financial highlights:

SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
AS OF OCT. 31, 1990
(Unaudited)
(000s omitted)

	RATE (Percent)	TOTAL
INTEREST EARNING ASSETS:		
Investments	6.45	$143,825
Real estate loans receivable	10.50	2,747,489
Mortgage-backed securities	9.28	242,532
Consumer and other loans	12.07	161,165
Total	10.31	$3,295,011
INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES:		
Customer deposits:		
Regular passbooks	5.28	41,376
Money market passbooks	6.76	188,978
Demand deposits	5.94	397,042
Jumbo C.D.'s	8.30	366,862
Other C.D.'s	8.20	1,403,437
Wall Street C.D.'s	9.71	99,686
Total Deposits	7.76	2,497,381
Other	8.99	716,904
Impact of hedging activities	0	0
Total	8.02	$3,214,285
Interest bearing liabilities over (under) interest earning assets		($80,726)

	Maturity/Rate Sensitivity			
	0-6 Months	7-12 Months	1-3 Years	Over 3 Years
INTEREST EARNING ASSETS:				
Investments	143,820	5	0	0
Real estate loans receivable	2,245,878	141,469	96,591	263,551
Mortgage-backed				

securities	225,407	779	2,840	13,506
Consumer and other loans	98,499	2,899	8,805	50,962
Total	2,713,604	145,152	108,236	328,019
INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES:				
Customer deposits:				
Regular passbooks	2,069	1,965	7,095	30,247
Money market passbooks	9,449	8,976	32,405	138,148
Demand deposits	397,042	0	0	0
Jumbo C.D.'s	225,351	119,908	14,361	7,242
Other C.D.'s	825,475	471,211	84,414	22,337
Wall Street C.D.'s	80,899	18,787	0	0
Total deposits	1,540,285	620,847	138,275	197,974
Other	351,145	159,887	72,626	133,246
Impact of hedging activities	100,000	0	0	(100,000)
Total	1,991,430	780,734	210,901	231,220
Interest bearing liabilities over (under) interest earning assets	(722,174)	635,582	102,665	(96,799)
Cumulative difference (gap)	(722,174)	(86,592)	16,073	(80,726)
Cumulative gap as a percentage of interest earning assets	(21.92)	(2.63)	0.49	(2.45)

	RATE (Percent)
Earning asset yield less interest bearing liability rate	2.29
Interest rate margin on earning assets	2.49
Interest rate margin on total assets	2.38

	Over 3 years
OTHER SELECTED DATA:	
Total assets	$3,450,206
Ratio of classified assets to total assets (percent)	1.71
Ratio of nonperforming assets to total assets (percent)	1.40

	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE
Loans originated	$ 80,104	782,942
Loans purchased	26	390
Loans sold	14,819	289,253
Mortgage-backed securities purchased	0	64
Mortgage-backed securities sold	0	19,089
Customer deposits, net increase (decrease)	20,127	(106,594)

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-30- 4661

#90320p8037 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - GW Utilities Limited (AMEX: GWT) today announced earnings of $4 million, or $0.10 per common share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a loss of $12 million, or $0.31 per common share, for the same period a year earlier.

The prior period included a loss from discontinued operations of $13 million. In view of the proposed sale of The Consumers' Gas Company Ltd., the consolidated financial statements of GW Utilities reflect Consumers as a discontinued operation to March 2, 1990. Prior year figures were restated to conform with this presentation instead of the consolidated basis used previously. In addition, increased equity earnings of Interhome Energy Inc. contributed to the improved earnings.

Revenues from continuing operations for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $32 million, compared with $25 million a year ago.

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#90320p8038 11/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOGOTA, NJ (NOV. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - Del-Val Financial Corporation (NYSE: DVL) announced that Ben S. Read, Jr., one of its directors, has agreed to assume the roles of chief executive officer and president of the company on a full-time basis and will be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the company.

Frederick E. Smithline, another director, has been appointed chairman of the board of the company and will consult with Read on broad policy issues. The board accepted the resignations of Roger D. Stern and Martin Wright as officers of the company. In addition, the board agreed that Kenbee Management Inc. will no longer serve as the company's manager.

The board has also engaged Coopers & Lybrand as financial adviser to assist in evaluating Del-Val's assets and negotiating a restructuring plan with the company's creditors.

Del-Val also announced that it, together with all of its directors and certain of its officers, have been named as defendants in a number of class action lawsuits alleging, among other things, that certain public disclosures made by the company violated the federal securities laws. The company has retained counsel and is reviewing the allegations. In addition, the company has been informed that the Securities and Exchange Commission and the New York Stock

Exchange are conducting informal inquiries into the circumstances surrounding the company's recent decision not to pay previously declared dividends.

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-30- 1691

#90320u0068 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (NOV. 15) UPI - Los Angeles Lakers All-Star forward and leading scorer James Worthy was arrested Thursday on charges of solicitation of prostitution, Houston police said.

Worthy, in Houston with the Lakers to play the Rockets, allegedly called an escort service at about 3:45 p.m. Thursday from his hotel room. The escort service, however, was linked to the Houston Police Department.

Worthy posted bond and was released, but did not arrive at The Summit in time to start against the Rockets. Sam Perkins started in place of Worthy at forward.

Worthy arrived at The Summit early in the second quarter under police escort. A Rockets spokeman ordered police to remove all media from the area.

Worthy changed into his uniform and was greeted by loud cheers when he entered the arena. He then entered the game with 9:41 left in the first half and again was greeted by cheers.

Worthy did not leave the game after that and finished with 24 points. He was instrumental in Los Angeles pulling out a 108-103 overtime win over the Rockets.

''This is a tough night,'' Worthy said after the game. ''I didn't want to run away from the situation. Other than the death of a close friend, this is the toughest situation I've had to play in. I tried to do the best I could. I knew I had to focus.''

Worthy would not talk about his arrest.

Los Angeles Coach Mike Dunleavy said Worthy came to the bench and said, ''I'm ready to play, Coach.''

''I figured he was better off on the floor than on the bench,'' Dunleavy said. ''He wanted to (play) and I think that says a lot about him.''

Worthy allegedly called the escort service requested two women, and two female undercover officers went to the hotel where Worthy allegedly asked them to participate in sexual acts, said police spokesman Dan Turner.

''He has shown a lot of remorse,'' Turner said after Worthy had been arrested.

Worthy was charged with solicitation of prostitution, a Class B misdemeanor. If convicted, Worthy would face fines up to $1,000 and/or six months in jail.

''James Worthy has been a model citizen with the Los Angeles Lakers throughout his career and until I talk to him I cannot make much of a comment,'' Dunleavy said before the game. ''Until then James Worthy has been a class act and we will stand behind him. My main concern for is for James Worthy and his mental state.''

At halftime, Lakers spokesman John Black said, ''We support James Worthy 100 percent. He has represented the Lakers organization well. I know I speak for all Lakers management.''

Worthy, who had started all five previous Lakers games this season, was leading the team in scoring, averaging 26.6 points a game.

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#90320u0098 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Monica Seles won a wearying war of nerves from Arantxa Sanchez Vicario Thursday night, outlasting her smaller rival over nearly 3 hours to reach the semifinals of the Virginia Slims Championships.

In a hard-hitting duel between the last two French Open champions, Seles prevailed, 5-7, 7-6 (8-6), 6-4, on the strength of a service break in the ninth game of the final set.

The two women never let up during their 2 hour and 55 minute marathon, and rarely was there an easy point. Sanchez squandered six set points before she captured the opening set, and Seles needed 12 set points to win the second.

With the verdict seemingly headed for a decisive tie-break, Seles gained the key break at 30 in the ninth game when Sanchez sliced a backhand wide.

Sanchez, only 5-foot-6, still was fighting to the end, gaining her 11th break point of the night in the 10th game before finally losing when she netted a backhand service return.

''It was very close, and every point was unbelievable shots and very good points,'' Sanchez said. ''It was a very good match and, you know, one of us has to win and the person was Seles.''

Seles had 28 break points for the match, converting seven.

''I had so many chances, and I was just very lucky to get through,'' Seles said. ''I had a lot of chances in the first set, and in the second and third

sets I just couldn't convert them.''

In sharp contrast to this dramatic contest, fourth seed Mary Joe Fernandez enjoyed a routine 6-2, 6-4 victory over No. 8 Manuela Maleeva- Fragniere.

Seles will play Fernandez in the semifinals of this $3 million season-ending championship, and a victory would enable her to overtake Martina Navratilova for the world No. 2 ranking.

Deservedly, the two teenagers were delighted with their performances in the opening match, and they agreed that luck played a big part in deciding the winner.

''She was playing unbelievably and wasn't missing,'' said Seles, a 16-year-old Yugoslavian who lives in Sarasota, Fla. ''She was pumped up and really going for it. I had so many chances. I'm just happy I got out of the match.''

Referring to all her missed opportunities in the second set, Seles said, ''I don't know what happened to me. I basically got scared. I just didn't go for my shots when I should have.''

Sanchez felt she could have used just a little more luck on some close line calls, but otherwise was pleased.

''I'm really happy the way I played,'' the 18-year-old Spaniard said. ''I had it in my hands. I think I play great, it was a great match, and one has to win. She was more lucky than me.''

The opening set required 67 minutes before Sanchez converted her seventh set point opportunity, attacking the net to put away a backhand volley.

After Seles held serve to open the match behind a pair of aces, Sanchez ran off five consecutive games for a 5-1 lead. But Seles fought back to draw even at 5-5.

Sanchez had six set points in an eighth game which contained 30 points and stretched for 16 minutes. There were 12 deuces before Seles gained her seventh break point on a backhand crosscourt service return and Sanchez was long with a lob.

With Seles seemingly ready to take control, Sanchez broke in the 11th game and withstood a break point by Seles in the 12th to end the marathon set.

The second set took only one minute less to play and was just as exciting as Sanchez frustrated Seles on 11 set point opportunities before finally yielding.

Despite being broken in the opening game, Seles jumped to a 4-1 lead. But she failed on two set points while serving at 5-3, had two more set points in the

10th game and five in the 12th.

A lucky backhand net cord gave Seles two more set points at 6-4 in the tie-break, but she lost them both before cashing in on her 12th set point when Sanchez was out with a forehand.

For the match, Seles won only 12 of 32 points on her second serve.

The only other time the two women met in an official tournament, last year in Dallas, Seles was an easy 6-4, 6-2 winner.

The semifinal bracket will be completed Friday night when defending champion Steffi Graf plays sixth seed Katerina Maleeva and No. 3 Gabriela Sabatini faces unseeded Conchita Martinez.

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#90320u0115 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
PATRICK DIVISION						
NY Rangers	14	6	2	30	87	54
Philadelphia	12	8	1	25	76	67
Pittsburgh	10	7	2	22	85	70
New Jersey	10	8	1	21	73	67
Washington	10	10	0	20	64	65
NY Islanders	8	10	0	16	55	71
ADAMS DIVISION						
Boston	11	6	3	25	63	61
Montreal	10	8	2	22	65	67
Buffalo	7	7	4	18	60	54
Hartford	7	9	3	17	48	59
Quebec	3	15	3	9	51	88

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NORRIS DIVISION						
Chicago	13	6	2	28	69	47
St. Louis	13	4	1	27	66	45
Detroit	7	9	3	17	65	77
Minnesota	4	11	4	12	50	73
Toronto	4	16	1	9	59	99
SMYTHE DIVISION						
Los Angeles	13	4	1	27	82	53

Calgary	12	7	1	25	89	66
Vancouver	9	10	0	18	57	66
Winnipeg	7	11	2	16	64	69
Edmonton	3	11	2	8	44	54

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#90320u0117 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (NOV. 16) UPI - The FBI confiscated ''confidential information'' gathered as part of a CNN story on government taping of private phone conversations between jailed Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega and his lawyer, the network said.

Cable News Network said Thursday that FBI agents, ignoring protests from network lawyers, confiscated a box of documents taken from the room of a CNN reporter at the Omni International Hotel in Atlanta.

''A CNN lawyer on the scene objected to the action by the agents, who refused to answer questions and would not produce a search warrant,'' said a statement released by the network.

The network aired videotape Thursday showing a man, presumably one of the FBI agents, walking with a white box under his arm.

Donnita Clark, an FBI spokeswoman in Washington, said of the incident, ''It's under investigation.''

''We did not go search the room,'' she said, but declined to comment further on the matter. ''We are checking if any violations have occurred.''

The incident occurred as lawyers for CNN asked the Supreme Court Thursday to immediately lift a restraining order barring the network from broadcasting tapes of the telephone conversations between Noriega, who is being held at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in Miami, and lawyers defending him against drug trafficking charges.

The Justice Department ordered an FBI investigation into the taping of Noriega's phone calls and how the audio tapes got into the hands of reporters. Steve Haworth, a spokesman for CNN, said he did not know whether the audio tapes were part of the material confiscated by the FBI.

In its statement, the network said, ''Some confidential material accumulated by CNN in its investigation of possible government taping of telephone conversations of Gen. Manuel Noriega tonight remains in the custody of the FBI in Atlanta.''

The network said two FBI agents appeared at the Omni and took the box of documents, which had been removed from the room of CNN investigative reporter

Marlene Fernandez.

The hotel claimed the room had been vacated and turned over the box of material to hotel security, which in turn notified CNN security. Haworth said CNN security somehow informed FBI agents about the box, although he could not provide details on how that happened.

The network said FBI agents confiscated the box, saying they were looking for ''some stolen government property.''

''CNN attorneys said the material was not stolen government property and are now demanding its release by the FBI,'' the network said.

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#90320u0125 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) UPI - President Bush embarks Friday on a four-country, eight-day trip touted by the White House as a historic journey from the ''salons of Europe to the sands of Saudi Arabia.''

Highlights of the 16,000-mile trip include the Nov. 19-21 Paris summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation, where Bush and other leaders will salute the end of the Cold War.

The president plans a Middle East tour that will conclude with a Thanksgiving Day visit with U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia. He also will make stops in Czechoslovakia and Egypt.

''Some of the stops will highlight how far our European friends and allies have come in their efforts to achieve a Europe whole and free, while others will show how determined all of us are to assist our friends in the gulf in regaining their peace and security,'' Bush said in a statement Thursday.

''This wide-ranging trip will take us from the salons of Europe to the sands of Saudi Arabia,'' he added.

The European summit will bring Bush together for the fourth time with key world leaders Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev who has allied himself in the struggle against Saddam.

Although the president will be a co-signer in Paris of several documents signifying the ''new order'' in Europe - including an historic conventional arms reduction treaty - the Persian Gulf crisis will likely to take center stage.

On the eve of his departure, Bush said in an interview with Cable News Network that his decision last week to give forces aligned against Iraq an offensive capability by beefing up U.S. troop levels to roughly 400,000 soldiers was

designed to send a ''clear, clarion signal'' to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that ''we are deadly serious.''

In the interview, the president stood firm on his demand that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait.

''I'm not going to compromise one single iota with the principles I have outlined,'' he said, adding later that: ''I know in my heart of hearts that what we are doing is right. I know that what the United Nations has done is correct. I know we have to stand up against aggression, an aggression that goes rewarded today means instability and horror tomorrow.''

While in the Middle East, Bush will confer with Saudi King Fahd; Sheikh Jabir Al Sabah, the exiled Emir of Kuwait, and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Fahd and the Kuwaiti leader are pessimistic that United Nations economic sanctions against Iraq will work and are pushing for a quick military solution while Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak said that he has asked Bush to postpone hostilities for three months to give Saddam time to change his mind.

But Bush, restated on CNN that he is in favor of a peaceful solution but that no options are ruled out. He also said that he has made no determination to use military force. ''But I am absolutely convinced that having the forces in place, should a military option be required, is prudent policy.''

On Thanksgiving, the president and Mrs. Bush will spend seven hours in the hot Saudi desert, visiting American and British troops at three sites, including a location near the Kuwaiti border.

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#90320u0130 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - The man who produced the Grammy Award winning album for the dancing duo named Milli Vanilli has admitted the pair did not sing on their 1989 album, prompting industry officials to consider withdrawing the award.

The president of the National Academy of Recording Arts & Services said Thursday he may strip the duo of their Grammy if it can be proven the pair did not sing on the record.

Frank Farian, the German arranger who produced ''Girl You Know It's True,'' - winner of the 1989 Grammy for Best New Artist - Thursday admitted he hired other singers to perform on the record.

Farian also confessed that the duo, Rob Pilatus and Fab Morvan, ''lip-synced'' their way throughout live and video performances.

Farian said he kept the information from Arista Records, which put out the debut album. The record's credits list Pilatus and Morvan as singing on all songs.

The album, including the hits ''Girl You Know It's True,'' and ''Blame It on the Rain,'' sold 7 million copies.

''I feel like a mosquito being squeezed,'' Pilatus told the Los Angeles Times. ''The last two years of our lives have been a total nightmare. We've had to lie to everybody. We are true singers but that maniac Frank Farian would never allow us to express ourselves.''

Farian, who fired the pair Wednesday at a press conference in Munich, Germany, owns the name Milli Vanilli.

''We were afraid for two years that this day would come,'' Pilatus said. ''We've cried about it sometimes, that the secret might come out. But deep inside, we wanted it to happen. I'm happy now that I can talk to our fans about it. We won't let them down. I swear we will soon have an album out with our own voices on it which will prove our talent.''

Michael Greene, president of the National Academy of Arts & Sciences said Thursday his organization had not realized that Pilatus and Morvan had not performed on the record.

The academy relies on recording credits presented by record companies, Greene said

Challenges to the legitimacy of Grammys are not made until ''a body of evidence is presented that compels the Academy to review their legitimacy,'' according to Greene.

He said if it is established that the Milli Vanilli album credits were falsified, ''we will then take this matter to the National Awards and Nominations Committee for their consideration as to the disposition of the award in question.''

Farian said he was forced to go public when the young dreadlocked singers asked to sing on their second album.

The producer declined to name the performers who actually sang on the album, but said he was planning to produce a record with them soon and would credit them accurately on the album.

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#90320u0137 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

JAKARTA, Indonesia (NOV. 16) UPI - Aftershocks from a strong earthquake

rocked the Indonesian island of Sumatra, where homes, mosques and office buildings were destroyed and at least five people were injured, authorities said Friday.

The powerful earthquake Thursday, measured at 6.2 on the Richter scale by the Meteorological Institute of Jakarta, caused panic during the morning rush-hour in the north Sumatra capital of Medan.

Tremors were felt as far away as Malaysia and Thailand, officials said.

A second quake registering 4.7 jolted communities in west Sumatra, and aftershocks shook the island Thursday night.

While reports of damage were not complete, some houses, mosques and office buildings were destroyed in Medan, and landslides triggered by the quake cut off communication.

At least five people in the village of Blangkejeren suffered broken legs when they dashed out of shaking houses. An electrical power station collapsed, cutting off electricity in the area, officials said.

The quake triggered tremors in Malaysia's capital of Kuala Lumpur, 235 miles to the north. Officials said there were no reports of deaths in any of the Southeast Asian countries.

Hundreds of office workers scurried out of high-rise buildings in Kuala Lumpur but returned after officials confirmed the structures were sound. The Meteorological Department in Thailand also said tremors were felt in Bangkok and the resort of Phuket.

Japan's Meteorological Agency reported the quake had a magnitude of 7.2. The U.S. Geological Survey in Colorado said it measured 6.9 and was located 950 miles northwest of Jakarta, the capital.

It was the second time in less than four years that an earthquake in Sumatra spawned tremors in Malaysia. The same phenomenon occurred April 25, 1987 after a quake measuring 6.6 in the same Indonesian island.

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#90320u0152 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	5	2	.714	-

New York	5	3	.625	1/2
Philadelphia	4	3	.571	1
Miami	3	3	.500	1 1/2
Washington	2	4	.333	2 1/2
New Jersey	2	5	.286	3

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	5	2	.714	-
Detroit	4	2	.667	1/2
Cleveland	5	3	.625	1/2
Atlanta	4	3	.571	1
Chicago	4	4	.500	1 1/2
Indiana	3	4	.429	2
Charlotte	3	5	.375	2 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	4	2	.667	-
Dallas	4	3	.571	1/2
Houston	4	4	.500	1
Minnesota	3	5	.375	2
Utah	2	4	.333	2
Orlando	2	6	.250	3
Denver	1	7	.125	4

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	7	0	1.000	-
Golden State	6	2	.750	1 1/2
Phoenix	4	2	.667	2 1/2
Seattle	3	2	.600	3
LA Clippers	3	4	.429	4
LA Lakers	2	4	.333	4 1/2
Sacramento	0	6	.000	6 1/2

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#90320u0185 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) UPI - President Bush Friday embarks on a four-country, eight-day trip being touted by the White House as a journey from the- ''salons of Europe to the sands of Saudi Arabia.'' Bush will salute the end of the Cold War with other leaders at a Paris summit before heading to the Middle East, where he'll visit U-S troops in Saudi Arabia Thanksgiving Day. Bush will also make stops in Czechoslovakia and Egypt.

The news agency Tass says Boris Yeltsin will speak to the Soviet Parliament Friday in a confrontation with Mikhail Gorbachev on the nation's economic and

political crisis. The Russian Federation leader will address Soviet lawmakers on the same day that the Soviet president is expected to speak on the state of the union. Deputies met behind closed doors Thursday to prepare for the showdown.

The five astronauts aboard the shuttle Atlantis are looking at a clandestine day in space Friday. There is NO word on when the five-man crew may release a reported top-secret spy satellite into orbit. Atlantis rocketed away from Cape Canaveral Thursday night, kicking off a four-day mission. Atlantis is thought to be carrying a satellite to aid U-S troops in the Persian Gulf region.

A special counsel Friday will complete the process of outlining the cases against the so-called ''Keating Five'' senators. The Senate Ethics Committee Thursday launched several weeks of hearings into allegations that five lawmakers improperly exerted pressure on federal bank regulators. The claims are related to indicted Savings and Loan operator Charles Keating.

Government and consumer experts are warning parents NOT to let the joy found under the Christmas tree this year turn to tragedy. The Consumer Product Safety Commission says 33 toy-related deaths were reported from January 1989 through September 1990. But- in the words of spokesman Anne Pavlich- ''we get our figures only from certain sources. It's never a total.''

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(NOV. 16) UPI - The Soviet Union has joined with Arab leaders in seeking to postpone any military action against Iraq, at least for the moment, while President Bush says he knows the actions that have been taken against Baghdad are correct.

The latest round of shuttle diplomacy made no progress in the Middle East and the proposed Arab summit came no closer to reality Thursday, but several nations reportedly joined those favoring such a meeting.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, a staunch supporter of the U.S.-led multinational force in the Persian Gulf, said Thursday he had asked President Bush to postpone any military action against Iraq for three months.

Mubarak, speaking to reporters after returning from Damascus where he talked to Syrian President Hafez Assad, said he requested the delay in any strike to give Iraqi President Saddam Hussein time to change his mind and withdraw from Kuwait.

In New York, the Soviet Union's chief Middle East negotiator told The New York Times a U.N. Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq should be delayed to give Iraqi President Saddam Hussein a ''face saving'' reason to leave Kuwait peacefully.

In an interview published Friday, Yevgeny M. Primakov said if Saddam fails to react, not only should the resolution authorizing force be approved, but military action should be taken immediately.

Mubarak made his peace call as a joint U.S.-Saudi amphibious operation began in Eastern Saudi Arabia, near the border of Iraqi- occupied Kuwait.

The exercise, dubbed ''Imminent Thunder,'' was to run through Nov. 21 and was to involve 16 ships, about 1,000 Marines and 1,100 aircraft.

Earlier in Damascus, Mubarak and Assad issued a joint communique that accused Iraqi leaders of foiling a peaceful attempt to solve the standoff by setting conditions for any peace meeting.

But Mubarak and Assad left the door open for a peaceful solution when they said in a joint communique issued after Mubarak's two-day visit that they would continue consultations with other Arab leaders ''to preserve the interests and unity of the Arab nation.''

''To give a further chance to the Iraqi president to reconsider his position, and in order to avert a destructive war, I have asked President Bush and his secretary of state to postpone the military option for three months,'' Mubarak told reporters in Cairo.

The Egyptian leader said Bush was in any case working to persuade the U.N. Security Council to endorse any military option, so that if a strike became necessary, it would be carried out under ''the umbrella of the United Nations.''

''The two leaders gave due attention to (Moroccan) King Hassan's call for an Arab summit,'' said the communique, issued after Mubarak and Assad held three rounds of talks. ''But because of what has been issued directly from Baghdad, setting preconditions, it makes it difficult if not impossible to hold such a summit.''

Baghdad Radio reiterated Thursday Iraq's position that the country's leadership would be willing to attend any new Arab summit, ''provided the resolutions passed at the Cairo summit are declared null and void.''

Both the Soviet Union and China, permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, have backed Hassan's call for an Arab summit. Of the 21 members of the Arab League, only Jordan, the Palestine Liberation Organization and Mauritania gave immediate backing to the summit call.

But Arab radio stations monitored in Cairo said Yemen and Sudan had also agreed to an Arab summit, and there were signs that Libya, Tunisia and Algeria would join those in favor.

Mubarak himself last month rejected a Soviet proposal for an Arab summit, saying that any gathering without a specific agenda would evolve into a shouting match between pro-Kuwaiti and pro-Iraqi delegates. Iraqi delegates were reported to have thrown plates at Kuwaiti delegates at an Arab gathering after the invasion of Kuwait.

In an interview with Cable News Network, President Bush reiterated his anger at Saddam and defended his own actions in the crisis.

''I know in my heart of hearts that what we are doing is right,'' Bush said. ''I know that what the United Nations has done is correct. I know we have to stand up against aggression, an aggression that goes rewarded today means instability and horror tomorrow.''

On the diplomatic front, Cairo Radio said Soviet envoy Alexander Belonogov arrived in Cairo Thursday from the Yemeni capital Sanaa for talks with the Egyptian leadership.

Vladimir Petrovsky, another Soviet envoy and deputy foreign minister, was reported Thursday to have issued another blunt warning to Iraq to pull its troops out of Kuwait, Rabat Radio said.

''The Soviet Union warned Iraq that war would erupt in the gulf unless it withdrew its troops from Kuwait immediately,'' the state-owned radio said after Petrovsky held talks with King Hassan.

Petrovsky, who was later scheduled to visit Libya, Tunisia and Algeria, said Hassan's call for an emergency summit had Soviet support and that Arab nations themselves had the best chance to persuade Iraq to pull out peacefully.

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (NOV. 16) UPI - Slave-traders are luring hundreds of young refugees from Mozambique's civil war onto farms and into black townships of South Africa to serve as laborers and concubines or be ritually slaughtered, two newspapers reported Friday.

The purchase price of a slave is $78 per head in rural settlements and $137 in urban areas, the liberal Weekly Mail said, after a reporter posed as a buyer and ''acquired'' two boys.

''They are among hundreds of young Mozambicans - rendered desperate by that country's civil war - who are being brought into the country with the promise that they will be given a job,'' the Weekly Mail said.

The daily Sowetan reported black South African and Mozambican slavers find

victims by prowling the eastern border area, offering to show refugees routes through the electrified fence erected by South Africa to stop a flood of people fleeing Mozambique's 15-year war.

The newspapers, after weeks of investigations, said police and welfare authorities were acting against the slavers but were hampered from decisive steps by the large scale of the trade.

The Sowetan claimed to uncover ''a warren of clearing and safe houses, holes in the border fence called highways, handlers and a carefully planned transport network for bringing teenage boys and girls'' into South Africa.

The Weekly Mail said most of the slaves were girls aged from 14 to 17, enticed by offers of work or shelter but sold to men in townships in eastern Transvaal province and around Johannesburg.

The newspaper cited the case of 17-year-old Jabulile Masuku, first ''repeatedly raped'' by her slaver and then ''sold as a concubine to a man old enough to be her father.''

It said boys were most often sold to peasant farmers, made to work long hours and given no remuneration.

The Sowetan quoted an unnamed welfare worker in South Africa's eastern nominally self-governing black tribal territory of Kangwane, home to many refugees, as saying ''many of the refugees... are killed for muti'' - a form of ritual sacrifice.

But the Weekly Mail said investigations showed that despite their hardships, most of the former slaves and people still in bondage they had interviewed would choose to remain in South Africa rather than return to strife-torn Mozambique.

Right-wing rebels of the Renamo movement have fought the socialist government and ravaged the countryside since shortly after independence from Portugal in 1975, pillaging farm supplies, burning villages, and killing civilians.

Welfare organizations estimate more than 100,000 Mozambicans have crossed into South Africa. Although they are illegal aliens and liable for deportation if found, authorities have allowed most to stay in Red Cross-funded settlements and on smallholdings in Kangwane.

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#90320u0218 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) UPI - American and Saudi forces Thursday began Persian Gulf military exercises that will reach as close as 25 miles to the Kuwaiti border. The operation will include a mock amphibious assualt about 100 miles south of

Kuwait and a link up of Marines and Saudi troops.

President Bush takes off Friday on an eight-day trip that will take him to four countries. Bush will be in Paris for a multi-nation summit, and will also visit Czechoslovakia, Egypt and Saudi Arabia.

The space shuttle Atlantis took off Thursday night on a secret, military mission. Atlantis is thought to be carrying a spy satellite that might be used to support Desert Shield operations in the Persian Gulf region.

The Senate ethics committee Thursday began several weeks of hearings into allegations that five senators improperly exerted pressure on federal bank regulators for the benefit of S-and-L operator Charles Keating Junior.

Aftershocks from a strong earthquake rocked the Indonesian island of Sumatra Thursday night. The main quake destroyed homes, mosques and office buildings, and at least five people were injured.

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#90320u0226 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - A man threw a flammable liquid on his wife in their home and set her on fire, causing second- and third-degree burns that left her near death, officials said.

Sandra Douglas was set afire in the home she shared with her husband, Wayne, in Brooklyn at 4 a.m. Thursday and was rushed to New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center, said Lt. Jim Powell, a fire department spokesman.

''He covered his wife with a flammable liquid and set fire to her,'' Powell said. Officials said the torching left the woman near death.

''She named her husband as her assailant in a written document,'' he said. Fire marshals proceeded with his arrest, Powell said.

Fire marshal Edward Wysocki, who was notified by the hospital, arrested her husband at 8 p.m. after questioning, Powell said.

The husband also was in New York Hospital for treatment of burns on another floor of the hospital, Powell said, adding that he was being kept under fire marshal guard.

Douglas is charged with second-degree attempted murder for the attack on his wife, he said.

There was no information on what incidents prestaged the attack, he said.

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#90320u0247 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 16) UPI - Against any other team, the New York Knicks might have picked up a victory Thursday night.

But the Knicks more than met their match against the Portland Trail Blazers, who may be playing the best basketball in the NBA.

The Knicks shot a very respectible 55 percent from the floor and scored 125 points in Portland Thursday. But the Trail Blazers went one better, shooting 60 percent and ripping New York's defense for 141 points.

''I feel our guys now have a quiet confidence, a feeling they can beat anybody at any time,'' said Portland Coach Rick Adelman.

''We though we had a good chance to win this game,'' said New York Coach Stu Jackson. ''But they outplayed us from the first quarter on.

''I don't think we're this bad but clearly Portland is the best team we've seen so far. They're playing like you'd expect a Western Conference champion to play.''

And Portland's Clyde Drexler played like you'd expect an all-star to play. He led all scorers with 31 points as the Blazers took control early and never looked back.

The Blazers pushed their record to 7-0 to remain the only unbeaten team in the NBA. New York, meanwhile, dropped to 5-3 on the season.

The Blazers have been overpowering in their last four games, a stretch that also includes wins over Detroit, Denver and the Los Angeles Clippers. Each time they took control early and then coasted. Portland's average margin of victory in those four games was 21 points.

Against the Knicks, the Blazers set the tone early, racing to a 16-4 lead. Portland's running game accounted for the final four baskets in that string, including the last two by Drexler.

''We wanted to get out and set our tempo,'' Terry Porter said. ''I hit a couple of threes and got us going and then when the bench came in they kept it going. This was the first game of the year where we played 48 minutes of basketball.''

Portland scored at will from almost everywhere on the court. They wound up with 35 points off their fast break and made made six of seven three-pointers.

Patrick Ewing led the way for New York with 27 points and nine rebounds.

''We just didn't execute,'' Ewing said. ''We have to stay focused, especially against a great team. They are one of the elite teams in the league and we didn't rise to this occasion.''

Magic 102, Jazz 99, OT

At Orlando, Fla., Sam Vincent scored 4 points in overtime, including a layup with 18.5 seconds to play that gave the Magic a 100-96 lead. Vincent finished with 21 points to go with 23 by Nick Anderson and 22 by Jerry Reynolds. Utah's Karl Malone was the game-high scorer and rebounder with 34 and 13.

Lakers 108, Rockets 103, (ot)

At Houston, Sam Perkins scored 5 of his 29 points in overtime and James Worthy arrested earlier in the day on charges of soliciting prostitution, added 24 to lift the Lakers. Los Angeles, 2-4, avoided the worst start in club history. Larry Smith led Houston with 24 points.

Nuggets 121, Timberwolves 108

At Denver, Orlando Woolridge pumped in 25 points, leading the Nuggets to their first win of the season. It was the first time this season Denver held an opponent under 50 percent shooting from the floor. Tony Campbell and Tyrone Corbin each scored 24 points for the Timberwolves, who have yet to win on the road this season.

Warriors 103, Bulls 93

At Oakland, Calif., Chris Mullin scored 30 points, including three baskets in the last two minutes of the game, leading Golden State to its fourth straight victory. Michael Jordan was held to 14 points, 15 below his season average.

Spurs 122, Kings 93

At Sacramento, Calif., David Robinson scored 8 of his 16 points in the fourth quarter to help the Spurs hand the Kings their sixth straight defeat. Terry Cummings led San Antonio with 22 points and Sean Elliott added 19, as seven Spurs scored in double figures.

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(NOV. 16) - FRIDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR:

Basketball

Utah at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.

Washington at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
LA Lakers at Dallas, 8 p.m.
LA Clippers at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.

Golf

Miyazaki, Japan - $1.54 Dunlop Phoenix
Thousand Oaks, Calif. - PGA RMCC Invitational

Hockey

Quebec at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Montreal at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Hartford at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.
NY Rangers at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.
NY Islanders at Calgary, 9:35 p.m.

Tennis

Frankfurt, Germany - $2 million ATP final
New York - $3 million Virginia Slims Championships
The Hague, Netherlands - $100,000 Dutch Open

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(NOV. 16) UPI - Around the world, around the clock, the latest news from U-P-I...

President Bush is today leaving Washington on a journey that will take him to four nations in the Middle East and Europe. The 16-thousand- mile trip will include a Paris summit in which Bush and other leaders will hail the end of the Cold War. Bush will spent Thanksgiving with U-S troops in Saudi Arabia.

Britain's Margaret Thatcher may be rowing upstream as she tries to regain control of the ruling Conservative Party. One Conservative member of Britain's Parliament says there are many who have said they woN'T vote conservative again as long as Thatcher is prime minister. Former Defense Secretary Michael Heseltine will attempt to unseat Thatcher in a party vote next Tuesday.

The Senate ethics committee spends a second day today looking into the activities of the so-called Keating Five. The panel is trying to determine if the five improperly exerted pressure on federal bank regulators for the benefit of failed Savings and Loan operator Charles Keating.

The director of the Kennedy Space Center calls it ''something to be thankful for.'' The shuttle Atlantis took off from Cape Canaveral last night on a classified mission. Sources say the shuttle and its five-man crew will release into orbit a satellite... possibly to keep an eye on the Persian Gulf crisis.

President Bush has signed legislation that he says will mean a ''cleaner America.'' The clean air bill inked by Bush Thursday breaks a 13-year stalemate in Congress over strengthening and updating the 1977 Clean Air Act. Former President Reagan fought such legislation during his time in office.

Swiss investigators say an Alitalia D-Cthousand feet lower than it should have been when it crashed into a mountainside Wednesday, killing all 46 people on board. The airliner was flying from Milan to Zurich when it crashed and burned five miles from a Zurich airport.

The president of the International Association of Machinists says Eastern's reprieve in bankruptcy court is- in his words- ''just prolonging the agony.'' The airline avoided liquidation late Wednesday when a federal bankruptcy judge said the Miami-based carrier could withdraw 30-Million dollars from an escrow fund to meet operating expenses.

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#90320u0260 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (NOV. 16) UPI - Radical workers demanding pay raises exploded bombs and clashed with police Friday, leaving two people dead and three others injured, police said.

Police, backed by fire trucks and SWAT jeeps, broke up in two places marches by workers to President Corazon Aquino's palace, but allowed 7, 000 protesters to mass at two public squares in central Manila.

Police Col. Ricardo Reyes said he had orders not to allow a demonstration by the leftist May 1st Movement, or KMU, near the palace.

Marching protesters pelted police with tiny homemade bombs, wounding a deputy police chief and two of his men. Some 80 protesters were arrested and the demonstrators dispersed at nightfall, said Reyes.

The military detained hundreds of KMU supporters from nearby provinces being driven to Manila in buses and jeeps.

Hours earlier, two men believed to be KMU members were killed in a predawn bombing incident at the suburban Quezon City hall. Seized from the slain men were homemade bombs, blasting caps, a grenade and a KMU banner, police said.

Police said lawmen in a patrol car heard a blast at the city hall garden and

saw three men running away. One of the men was shot and killed when he allegedly tried to toss a grenade at the policemen. The two others escaped.

Another man was found dead at the site of the explosion. Police said he apparently was killed when a bomb he was planting at the garden accidentally exploded.

KMU denied involvement in the incident.

The union is demanding a 89 cent increase in the minimum daily wage of $3.17.

Aquino has urged KMU to negotiate the pay increase with the regional wage board. The KMU rally was timed to coincide with Aquinos scheduled meeting with moderate trade unions, which was called off at the last minute.

KMU was not included in the meeting after it staged a general strike Oct. 24 for higher wages that was marked by the killing of two moderate trade union leaders and the burning of several dozen passenger buses.

Guerrillas of the 19,000-strong communist New Peoples Army have been blamed for the violence. The NPA has been battling the Manila government for 21 years.

After the October strike was roundly denounced, the NPA announced Wednesday a ''hands-off'' police in the latest KMU mass actions, but warned it would retaliate if the military took repressive actions against the KMU.

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#90320u0264 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) UPI - Unseasonably warm weather continued in the eastern United States Friday with clear skies, while thick fog blanketed the Gulf Coast and showers dampened the Midwest.

A cold front extended through Kentucky and into Ohio, and showers were expected during the afternoon, ending a stretch of pleasant weather.

Dense fog stretched along the western Gulf coast from Galveston, Texas, to southwestern Louisiana, cutting visibility to near zero and prompting warnings to boaters who were told to use radar, especially at low tide.

The fog was expected to thicken through the morning, especially in low lying areas and near lakes and streams.

To the west, cooler weather moved into Denver during the night pushing temperatures into the mid 30s under partly cloudy skies, while the thermometer dropped to the mid 20s in Cheyenne, Wyo.

Patchy fog formed along the Washington coast as temperatures in Seattle were

in the upper 30s with light winds and rain expected late in the day, while to the south, Los Angeles had lows in the 50s with haze and high clouds.

High pressure was centered over South Carolina, keeping fair weather over the South, and unseasonably warm weather extended into New York, where temperatures were expected to reach the 70s.

Lows dipped into the 40s in New Jersey, Connecticut and Massachusetts under mostly clear skies.

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#90320u0265 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

COLUMBUS, GA (NOV. 16) UPI - Jack E. Swift, vice president and executive editor of the Columbus Ledger-Enquirer, died Thursday of an apparently self-inflicted gunshot wound in his home. He was 46.

The publisher and two other staff members of the newspaper summoned police to Swift's home shortly before 2 p.m., and an officer found the dead man sitting in a chair in the den with a small-caliber handgun bullet wound in the forehead. The revolver was in the editor's hand in his lap.

Police are running tests to determine whether there are fingerprints other than Swift's on the revolver, but officers do not suspect foul play.

Investigators said Swift left behind a suicide note with written instructions, but they refused to disclose its contents.

''All of us who knew and loved Jack as a friend and as a fellow newspaperman are heartbroken at his tragic death,'' said Ledger-Enquirer publisher Billy Watson. ''We have suffered a loss from which we will never fully recover. I have never known another editor who cared more deeply and sincerely about his employees or who tried harder to exert a positive influence in his community.''

Swift was named executive editor of the Columbus newspapers in 1987 and was a forming managing editor and assistant executive editor, daily columnist and reporter.

Prior to coming to Columbus, he worked for the St. Petersburg Evening Independent and the Tampa Times. He also taught mass communications and journalism at several colleges and served as press secretary for Lt. Gov. Zell Miller, currently Georgia's governor-elect, in 1977-79.

A former martial arts instructor who held a fourth-degree black belt in karate Swift served in the Air Force from 1965 to 1969, rising to staff sergeant and receiving the Bronze Star and the Vietnam Armed Forces Medal of Honor.

Swift also was a former chairman of the Governor's Mental Health/Mental

Retardation Council and the Mayor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped in Columbus, as well as a founding member of the Columbus Alliance for Battered Women.

Funeral arrangements were pending.

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#90320u0273 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (NOV. 16) UPI - China published a bluntly sarcastic attack on American views of liberty Friday, saying massive police protection of a recent Ku Klux Klan march proved that democracy in capitalist countries is an elitist ''sham.''

The state-run Workers' Daily said the Oct. 28 KKK march in Washington showed the superiority of socialist democracy and should serve as a warning to ''ignorant youths'' who ''blindly spoke highly of American liberties'' during last year's democracy movement.

Chinese troops crushed the democracy movement on June 4, 1989, calling it a counterrevolutionary rebellion.

The signed article, by writer Ma Yanling, said he was prompted to write by reports about the October rally staged by the white-supremacist Ku Klux Klan in the U.S. capital, whose population is predominanty black.

Ma observed that rather than banning the march by the ''fascist'' KKK, authorities in the U.S. capital responded by sending out 5,000 military police to protect the marchers' ''democratic freedoms.''

''The KKK members were allowed to march in the light of day, but the American authorities who claim to be the No. 1 advocates of democratic freedoms did not ban them,'' the article said.

''Or to put it as some of the masses in Washington said, 'The KKK has the freedom to demonstrate while we don't even have the freedom to walk, ''' it said.

''The incident again shows that the democratic freedoms of the United States and the capitalist class is a sham,'' Ma wrote.

By contrast, the newspaper said China's superior socialist-style democracy aims to guarantee democratic freedoms to all people - as long as they accept unchallenged Communist Party rule.

''The democracy of our country ... is the democracy of the proletariat, or the people's democracy,'' it said.

''We publicly declare the class character of socialist democracy, which gives democratic freedoms to the vast masses instead of giving it to anti-socialist and counterrevolutionary elements.

''At the same time, all those who enjoy democratic freedoms will obey the constitution and laws and be restrained by discipline.''

The editorial also acknowledged that Chinese aspirations for full democracy cannot be realized until China's economic base is strengthened.

The writer said China should carefully collect further examples that reveal the true nature of capitalist-style liberties.

''There are many lively teaching materials like the KKK,'' Ma wrote.

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#90320u0441 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEWPORT, R.I. (NOV. 16) UPI - Three witnesses say a Rhode Island nightclub bouncer accused of assaulting New England Patriot wide receiver Hart Lee Dykes last month never hit him.

Two patrons of the nightclub and the manager testified in District Court Thursday at a probation violation hearing for the bouncer, William K. Earley, 35, of Tiverton.

One of the patrons, Jessica O'Brien, 17, said Dykes was yelling at Earley outside Club Shalimar in Providence when someone else knocked Dykes to the ground. Her boyfriend, Glen Upchurch, said Dykes was punched twice and kicked, but added that Earley did not participate in the attack.

The manager, Edward Imondi, said Dykes and his teammate, receiver Irving Fryar yelled obscenities at Earley and ''would not leave without a fight.''

Dykes testified last week that he and Fryar were not looking for trouble and it was Earley who harassed them. Judge Richard Israel continued the hearing until Nov. 29.

The 6-foot-7-inch, 300-pound Earley is accused of assaulting Dykes on the night of Oct. 10. Earley, who was on crutches the night of the incident and is still on crutches, is on probation for a robbery conviction in 1982.

Fryar was arrested the night of the incident and charged the next day with illegally carrying a pistol. He is scheduled to be in court Dec. 12.

Dykes suffered a serious eye injury in the fight and has not played a down for the Patriots since the altercation.

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PARIS (NOV. 16) UPI - France increased its military presence near the Chad-Sudan border Friday because of increased fighting between Chadian army troops and Libyan-backed rebels, officials announced.

A Defense Ministry statement said 150 soldiers normally stationed in the Chadian capital of N'Djamena were sent to Abeche in the eastern Chad near the border with Sudan.

The ministry said the decision to send additional troops was made because of the situation in eastern Chad, but did not elaborate further.

According to sources in Paris, the rebels control an area delineated by the towns of Bahay, Iriba, Tine and Guereda. The Chadian government of President Hissen Habre claims the rebels, led by former Chadian armed forces commander Idriss Deby, are supported by Lybian leader Moammar Gadhafi.

France, which first deployed troops to the west African country in 1986 in response to a Lybian offensive in northern Chad, maintains a permanent contingent of 1,000 troops around N'Djamena to discourage Gadhafi from backing further attacks.

Paris reduced its contingent by 300 men late last year following an Algerian-backed peace agreement to resolve a dispute between N'Djamena and Tripoli over the mineral-rich Aouzou Strip.

Chadian Foreign Minister Acheikh Ibn Dumar said in April the reduction in French troops and anti-aircraft installations in the eastern city of Abeche ''encouraged Libya'' to sponsor incursions from the rebel bases in Sudan.

The Chadian Ambassador to France, Allam-Mi Ahmad, said Friday his country has not asked for additional French troops but may do so ''given the state of war'' in the country.

''Violent combats are taking place in the Chadian region of Tine along the Tine-Iriba axis, but the Chadian Armed Forces control the situation,'' Ahmad said.

The Chadian Embassy denied reports N'Djamena has asked Zaire for military help to ward off the rebels.

''Because this is a war of movement, the evacuation or control of a small locality is without importance,'' Ahmad said. ''The essential thing is to destroy the offensive potential of the assailants.''

The latest fighting began about a week ago when about 2,000 rebels entered

Chadian territory but were pushed back to their bases in the Sudan, according to the Chadian military command.

The Chadian government acknowledges that the fighting is continuing in the Tine region, suggesting to some observers that the Chadian army fell into a trap set by the rebels, allowing them to pursue their offensive.

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#90320u0469 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange continued to fall Friday for the third straight session in light trading.

The benchmark Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which dipped 449.96 points Thursday, lost another 315.85 points to 23,171.63.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all listed major shares fell 25.75 points to 1,720.12. TOPIX lost 24.43 points Thursday.

Declines outpaced advances 789 to 193, while 115 issues remained unchanged.

Trading was thin as an estimated 300 million shares changed hands, compared with 309 million Thursday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices drifted up through the 3,000-point level on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, pulled higher by continued buying of defensive blue chips.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index added 18.19 points to 3,008.66. The rise followed a loss of 16.35 points Thursday and gave the market a gain of 75.75 points for the week.

Among the narrower indexes, financials shed 5.10, utilities jumped 44.12, industrials gained 24.82 and properties added 8.92 points.

An estimated 916 million shares chnaged hands, up from 886 million shares Thursday.

In Singapore, stock prices closed mixed in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange following drops in Tokyo and on Wall Street.

The Straits Times Industrial Index rose 1.94 points to 1,118.35 while the broader-based All Singapore Index slipped 0.54 to 310.23.

Turnover amounted to around 36.5 million shares.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stocks closed higher in moderate trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index added 1.07 points to 656.91.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 1.6 billion Thai shares, compared with 1.3 billion shares changing hands Thursday.

In Australia, stock prices closed lower in moderate trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index fell 5.3 points to 1,339.9. The All Resources Index fell 9.1 points to 819.6, while the All Industrials Index rose 0.9 to 2,010.3.

Declines edged out advances 122 to 104, while 206 stocks remained unchanged.

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#90320u0509 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) UPI - Inflation at the consumer level eased slightly in October, rising 0.6 percent after gaining 0.8 percent in each of the two previous months, the Labor Department said Friday.

The increase, in line with economists' expectations, was fueled again by rising prices in petroleum-based energy products, which accounted for about half of the overall increase.

The government's index for fuel oil rose 12.8 percent last month while the index for motor fuels gained 7.7 percent. Both gains were slightly less than those of August and September when oil prices skyrocketed in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent U.S.-led military response.

Declining apparel prices, coupled with slight gains in entertainment and shelter costs, helped offset larger gains in prices for other goods and services and mediacal care.

During the first 10 months of the year, prices rose at an annualized rate of 6.7 percent, up from 4.7 percent during the same period the year before. The department said prices jumped 8.9 percent during the past three months, the steepest advance for any three-month period since 1982.

If the consumer inflation rate remains at 6.7 percent for the year, it would be the highest rate in the past nine years, the department said.

Transportation costs rose 2.1 percent last month, with nearly all of the gain attributed to rising oil prices. The government's index for gasoline, which gained 7.7 percent in October, has skyrocketed 26.9 percent in the past three months and 36.9 percent since the beginning of the year.

The index for gasoline prices stood 4.3 percent above its previous peak level

of March 1981.

Rising automobile purchase prices also contributed to the increase in the transportation index. New car prices rose 0.5 percent, the second monthly increase in the past nine months. Automobile finance charges also gained during the month.

Buyers found some relief in the market for used cars, where prices continued to decline.

Prices for food and beverages gained 0.3 percent last month, the same as September's increase. Larger increases in grocery prices and foods bought away from home were offset by smaller gains in prices for alcoholic beverages.

Fruit and vegetable prices decreased in October while prices for meats, poultry, fish and eggs rose.

Overall housing prices gained 0.3 percent after rising 0.4 percent in September. Shelter costs rose 0.1 percent.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) UPI - Inflation at the consumer level eased slightly in October, rising 0.6 percent after gaining 0.8 percent in each of the two previous months, the Labor Department said Friday.

The increase, in line with economists' expectations, was fueled again by rising prices in petroleum-based energy products, which accounted for about half of the overall increase.

The government's index for fuel oil rose 12.8 percent last month while the index for motor fuels gained 7.7 percent. Both gains were slightly less than those of August and September when oil prices skyrocketed in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent U.S.-led military response.

Declining apparel prices, coupled with slight gains in entertainment and shelter costs, helped offset larger gains in prices for other goods and

services and medical care.

During the first 10 months of the year, prices rose at an annualized rate of 6.7 percent, up from 4.7 percent during the same period the year before. The department attributed an 8.9 percent price hike during the past three months, the steepest advance for any three month period since the 1982.

If the consumer inflation rate remains at 6.7 percent for the year, it would be the highest rate in the past nine years, the department said.

Transportation costs rose 2.1 percent last month, with nearly all of the gain attributed to rising oil prices. The government's index for gasoline, which gained 7.7 percent in October, has skyrocketed 26.9 percent in the past three months and 36.9 percent since the beginning of the year.

The index for gasoline prices stood 4.3 percent above its previous peak level of March 1981.

Rising automobile purchase prices also contributed to the increase in the transportation index. New car prices rose 0.5 percent, the second monthly increase in the past nine months. Automobile finance charges also gained during the month.

Buyers found some relief in the market for used cars, where prices continued to decline.

Prices for food and beverages gained 0.3 percent last month, the same as September's increase. Larger increases in grocery prices and foods bought away from home were offset by smaller gains in prices for alcoholic beverages.

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LONDON (NOV. 16) UPI - An opinion poll published Friday bolstered Michael Heseltine's bid to oust Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher by showing the Conservative Party would have a 10-point lead over the Labor Party if it was led by the former defense secretary.

Elsewhere, Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd moved to quash speculation that he would may run for party leader in second round voting, if Thatcher fails in the first round next Tuesday.

''When I wrote my name on the proposal form and nominated her for leader of the Conservative Party, that wasn't just for this week. That wasn't something that stood for Tuesday but not for Wednesday,'' he said. ''I support her. Full stop.''

Hurd said the speculation - strengthened by a story in The Independent newspaper that senior Cabinet members had approached the foreign secretary - was misplaced because he expects Thatcher to win the first round.

Heseltine issued his challenge Wednesday as a schizm developd within the party from Thatcher's resistance to joining the other 11 nations of the European Community in the efforts to unite politically and economically. She contends the moves would yield too many sovereign powers.

Heseltine made his pitch for leadership with a pro-European stance, that Britain must not be excluded from the unified market, and with a vow to review the poll, or head, tax, an unpopular levy that is expected to cost the party votes in the next elections.

The prime minister Friday made a surprise one-day visit to Northern Ireland and reiterated her determination to win the leadership challenge, in which she needs the backing of at least 214 of the 372 eligible voters.

''I believe we will win and I hope we will win well,'' the BBC quoted her as saying.

Bookmakers believe Thatcher will prevail and the Press Association in a poll released Thursday concluded that 19.2 percent of Conservative legislators would support Heseltine and 53.3 percent would vote for Thatcher.

But a poll by the authoritative Mori research organization for The Times newspaper revealed that the view in the electorate was the virtual opposite, and that the political survival of Conservative members would be better served with Heseltine at the helm in elections that must be held by mid-1991.

Mori showed that the Conservatives under Heseltine would take 49 percent of the vote and Labor 39 percent, which would be its first lead over the main opposition party in 18 months.

The organization also showed through questioning 1,088 people that with Thatcher remained leader, Labor's lead would only be 5 points, also a significant decline in the popularity of the party led by Neil Kinnock.

''What the Mori poll shows is that there is overwhelming support in the country for Mr. Michael Heseltine,'' said Peter Tapsell, a Heseltine campaigner.

''That message will not be lost on my colleagues in their constituencies this weekend, particularly those with relatively small majorities.''

Thatcher loyalists denounced the poll as inaccurate.

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(NOV. 16) UPI - .

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev spoke to the Supreme Soviet for 90 minutes today and defended his policies, while calling for a new union of Soviet sovereign republics and consolidation. The Soviet president's speech preceded an expected debate with political rival Boris Yeltsin. Gorbachev said to his audience that included Yeltsin, ''There is a plan, it just has to be carried out.''

In an interview published today, the Soviet Union's chief Middle East negotiator said if Saddam Hussein fails to pull out of Kuwait, military action should be taken immediately. But the Soviet official also called for a delay in the use of force to give Saddam time to remove his troops from Kuwait. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak says he has asked President Bush for a three-month delay in using force against Iraq.

In an interview last night, President Bush said once again that he is in favor of a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis, but he said that NO options are ruled out. Bush leaves today on a trip to Paris, Egypt, Czechoslovakia, and Saudi Arabia. The president's travels will end with a Thanksgiving Day visit with U-S troops in Saudi Arabia.

Donald Trump has won a little more time in his efforts to avoid bankruptcy. Negotiators for Trump and holders of bonds for his Taj Mahal ended their talks last night and agreed to meet again today. Trump was supposed to have made a 47 Million dollar interest payment at midnight, but his creditors agreed to continue talks today on restucturing the debt.

A Brooklyn woman is reported near death and her husband has been arrested and charged with setting her on fire. Police say Wayne Douglas threw a flammable liquid on his wife in their home and set her on fire yesterday. The woman

suffered second- and third-degree burns. Douglas is charged with second-degree attempted murder. He also is hospitalized for treatment of burns.

Two people were killed and three injured today in Manila when radical workers demanding pay raises exploded bombs and clashed with police. In one of the demonstrations, protesters threw small homemade bombs, wounding a deputy police chief and two of his men. About 20 protesters were arrested. Hours earlier, two men were killed in a bombing incident at a suburban city hall.

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#90320u0550 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) UPI - The U.S. trade deficit edged down 3.3 percent to $9.41 billion in September even though the cost of oil imports hit a nearly 9-year high in the aftermath of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, the Commerce Department said Friday.

Private analysts expected a shortfall of $8.9 billion for the month. The September figure follows deficits of $9.73 billion in August and $9.12 billion in July, adjusted for seasonal factors.

September imports totaled $41.25 billion vs. $42.28 billion in August, while September exports totaled $31.84 billion vs. $31.55 billion in August, according to the data compiled by the department's Census Bureau.

The cost of oil imports in September, not adjusted for seasonal factors, totaled $6.18 billion a huge increase over $4.81 billion in August - the highest level since about $6.3 billion in October 1981, a Commerce Department spokesman said.

Prices have skyrocketed since Iraq's Aug. 2 takeover of oil-rich Kuwait.

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The deficit with oil kingdom Saudi Arabia alone nearly doubled to $874 billion during the month.

Excluding oil, imports totaled $35 billion in September, the government reported.

Many economists believe exports are going to be the one bright spot for the nation's economy during the lean times ahead as Europe, Japan and Canada purchase aircraft, chemicals and scientific equipment, among other things.

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million in September vs. $374 million in August.

''The August to September change in exports reflected decreases in automotive vehicles, parts and engines, foods, feeds and beverages, and industrial supplies and materials, and an increase in capital goods,'' the Commerce Department said.

The change in imports ''reflected decreases in automotive vehicles, parts and engines, consumer goods and capital goods, and increases in industrial supplies and materials, and other merchandise,'' the department said.

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#90320u0632 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) UPI - A record number of journalists and diplomats jammed the press balcony in the Kremlin today to watch a debate between Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and his chief rival, Boris Yeltsin. Gorbachev first made a 90-minute speech. .

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Yeltsin called for a vote of NO confidence in the Soviet government, saying the reform process had practically stopped. Yeltsin asked for the establishment of an ''extraordinary anti-crisis'' commission made up of representatives of all 15 republics.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak says President Bush is working to persuade the U-N Security Council to endorse any military option against Iraq, so that if a strike became necessary, it would be carried out under ''the umbrella of the United Nations.'' .

Mubarek returned from talks with Syrian leaders in Damascus. He told reporters that he has asked President Bush to hold off on any military action for three months to give Saddam Hussein time to pull out of Kuwait.

The five-man crew of the shuttle Atlantis will work in secret today on the first full day of what's believed to be a four-day mission. The secret military flight began last night. Sources say the shuttle will send a spy satellite into orbit.

President Bush carried out a campaign pleged yesterday whe he signed a clean air bill that will require deep and costly cuts in urban smog, acid rain, toxic hazards and ozone depletion. Bush said ''This bill means ... a cleaner America.''

The 300 members of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops yesterday adopted a set of guidelines and principles that will lead to fewer male-oriented references in the Bible. But God will still be generally referred to with a masculine pronoun.

In Los Angeles, a former aerospace research company executive was indicted on charges tha he allegedly exported restricted information on the ''Star Wars'' weapons system to Japan. Ronald Hoffman faces a maximum of 10 years in prison.

Hundreds of thousands of people skipped meals and snacks yesterday as Oxfam America held its annual nationwide fast to dramatize the plight of the hungry. The Boston-based NONprofit organization also sponsored ''hunger banquets'' in five cities.

Music fans are buzzing about a revelation last night that singers Milli Vanilli did NOT sing at all on their Grammy Award winning album. Frank Farian, who produced ''Girl You Know It's True,'' admitted that he hired other singers to perform on the record.

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#90320u0644 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Nov. 15: Purchases of 337,905 shares and sales of 508,234 shares including 24,769 shares sold short.

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#90320u0702 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) UPI - In a speech to the Supreme Soviet today, Russian President Boris Yeltsin called on Soviet legislators to issue a vote of NO confidence in the government of Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov, blaming it for sabotaging a 500-day plan for a market economy. Yeltsin also proposed the establishment of what he called an ''extraordinary anti-crisis commitee'' that would transfer power from Moscow to the republics. He also said the Soviet Union should ask for help with its food shortage. He said ''We should give up our pride and appeal to the developed countries from the West to help us with food.'' .

Earlier, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev addressed the Supreme Soviet and said there would be a shakeup of the military's top ranks and a better deal for the army. In his 90- minute speech, Gorbachev repeated his call for a new union of Soviet sovereign republics. Gorbachev told the legislators ''The president cannot do everything by himself, and you cannot do everything without the participation of the country.''

U-S and Saudi forces have begun Persian Gulf military exercises that will reach close to the Kuwaiti border. The maneuvers are being called NON-provocative, but are named ''Imminent Thunder.'' The exercise will include a mock amphibious assualt about 100 miles south of Kuwait and a link up of Marines and Saudi troops about 25 miles from the border.

President Bush leaves Washington today on a tour of four countries that will end Thanksgiving Day with a visit to U-S troops in Saudi Arabia. While in Paris, Bush will be one of the world leaders who signs several documents signifying the ''new order'' in Europe. The documents include an historic conventional arms reduction treaty. Bush also will visit Egypt and Czechoslovakia.

China today published an attack on American views of liberty, saying that massive police protection of a recent Ku Klux Klan march proved that democracy in capitalist countries is an elitist ''sham.'' The state-run Workers' Daily said the October 28th K-K-K march in Washington should serve as a warning to what it called ''ignorant youths'' who ''blindly spoke highly of American liberties'' during last year's democracy movement.

Today will be the second day of hearings by the Senate ethics committee into the dealings of five senators accused of exerted pressure on federal bank regulators for the benefit of S-and-L operator Charles Keating Junior. Special counsel Robert Bennett is scheduled to complete the process of outlining the cases against the senators. The five will have a chance to make opening statements in their defense.

Israeli troops and their militiamen clashed with Lebanese resistance fighters today at the edge of Israel's security zone in south Lebanon. Security sources said one resistance fighter was killed. The sources said the two sides exchanged machinegun fire and rocket propelled grenades.

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#90320u0706 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 16) UPI - The National Council of Churches, condemning the Bush administration's Persian Gulf policy as one of ''reckless rhetoric and imprudent behavior,'' called for the immediate withdrawal of all U.S. forces except those explicitly recommended by the United Nations.

''We stand at a unique moment in human history, when all around us seemingly impregnable walls are being broken down and deep historical enmities are being healed,'' the council said in a message unanimously approved at its annual general board meeting Thursday night.

''And yet, ironically, at such a moment, our own nation seems to be poised at the brink of war in the Middle East.''

While condemning Iraq's invasion and occupation of Kuwait, the council's message was also critical of President Bush's response to the crisis, questioning ''the apparent open-ended nature of U.S. military involvement in the Middle East and the failure on the part of the administration clearly to state its goals.''

''President Bush and administration officials have done little to clarify either of these points,'' the council message said. ''Indeed the rationales offered for the steady expansion of U.S. presence have often been misleading and sometimes even contradictory.''

Of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, the council said, ''We are appalled by the past and present behavior of the regime in Iraq, one which has previously enjoyed U.S. support.''

But the response of the Bush administration, the council said, amounts to ''reckless rhetoric and imprudent behavior.''

''As Christians in the United States, we must witness against weak resignation to the illogical logic of militarism and war,'' the council's message said.

The delegates adopted a resolution urging Iraq ''to release immediately all those citizens of other nations being held against their will in Kuwait or Iraq and to withdraw immediately its troops and occupation forces from Kuwait.''

The resolution also calls ''for an immediate halt to the buildup and the withdrawal of U.S. troops from the gulf region except those which might be required and explicitly recommended by the Security Council of the United Nations in accordance with the relevant provisions of the U.N. Charter.''

While calling for the continued ''rigorous application'' of sanctions against Iraq authorized by the U.N. Security Council, the council of churches reiterated its opposition to the withholding of food and medicine as a weapon against civilian populations.

The National Council of Churches represents some 42 million American Christians in 32 member denominations such as the United Methodist Church, the Episcopal Church, the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), the United Church of Christ, the National Baptist Convention of America and the Orthodox Church in America.

The council's resolution called on its congregations, local and regional ecumenical agencies and individuals ''to make peace in the Middle East a paramount and urgent priority for prayer, study and action.''

It also called on Bush and Congress ''to pursue every means for a negotiated

political solution to the crisis in the gulf, including direct negotiations with Iraq.''

The resolution also addressed the Israel-Palestinian issue.

''The U.S. government's condemnation of the massacre on the Harem al-Sharif Temple Mount ... and its endorsement of a U.N. mission to the occupied territories was a welcome departure from past policies,'' the council said.

''The failure of the U.S. government to take any substantive measures to oppose the Israeli occupation, however, weakens the effect of its appropriate outrage over Iraqi aggression against Kuwait. The region cries out for a U.S. policy that seeks to redress all cases of injustice, including those of Israel and Palestine, Lebanon and Cyprus.''

The resolution also was critical of U.S. arms sales to Saudi Arabia and forgiveness of debts to Egypt and Israel.

''The presence of U.S. troops in the Middle East has led to an expansion of the military capacity of an already grossly over- militarized region,'' the resolution said.

''The prposed billions of dollars of arms sales to Saudi Arabia, the forgiveness of military debts to Egypt and Israel, and the supplying of both with new and more sophisticated weaponry, combined with a seeming lack of initiative to resolve the region's unsettled disputes, can only be seen as morally irresponsible.''

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) UPI - America's merchandise trade deficits and surpluses, in millions of dollars not adjusted for seasonal factors, by selected countries and country groups, as reported Friday by the Commerce Department:

Country	Sept.	Aug.
Canada	-1,249.0	-509.9
W. Europe	882.1	-374.0
European Community	1,034.4	-235.6
Britain	17.0	162.2
West Germany	-636.7	-1,143.6
France	285.3	146.9
Japan	-3,054.7	-3,780.2
Aust., NZ., S.Afr.	202.6	374.3
Mexico	-219.9	-38.0
Brazil	-104.9	-178.1
Hong Kong	-230.9	-396.9
Taiwan	-1,031.8	-1,211.2

South Korea	-405.5	-518.4
OPEC	-2,837.4	-2,157.3
Venezuela	-637.7	-466.4
Saudi Arabia	-874.0	-456.5
Nigeria	-483.6	-357.2
Eastern Europe	-44.0	N/A
USSR	-11.9	-37.6
China	-1,070.2	-1,143.9

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#90320u0788 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) UPI - Soviet President Gorbachev and rival Boris Yeltsin drew a record audience when they each spoke to the Supreme Soviet today. Yeltsin's speech was much shorter than Gorbachev's, but it did NOT lack in content. The president of the Russian republic called for a vote of NO confidence in the Soviet government, the setting up of an ''extraordinary anti-crisis committee'' and food help from the West. .

Gorbchev called for rapid conclusion of a new Union Treaty with the republics to bring the country out of crisis and a moratorium of all republican decisions that could affect the conclusion of a treaty. Gorbachev told parliament that he would make changes in the highest ranks of the Soviet military. He called on the media to stop defaming the army.

Indiana Republican Senator Richard Lugar has terminated the Republican Majority Fund, a once mighty political fund-raising tool which was formed 10 years ago to help elect Republicans to the Senate. At its peak, the group had raised nearly four-and-one-half Million dollars for candidates in the 1983-84 elections. From Janurary 1st, 1989, to October 17th, 1990, the PAC raised just 614-thousand dollars.

Donald Trump has managed to keep his Taj Mahal casino out of bankruptcy, at least temporarily. Trump faced a midnight deadline for making a 47 Million dollar interest payment, but his negotiators convinced creditors last night to continue talking today about re- structuring the debt. In June, Trump missed a scheduled interest and principal payment on bonds for his Trump's Castle casino.

The shuttle Atlantis is in space today, but NOT much will be told about the activities of the five-man crew. The mission is classified, reportedly to launch a militlary satellite into orbit. This is the seventh and last fully classified shuttle flight planned by NASA. Sources say the shuttle is due to return to Edwards Air Force Base in California on Monday.

The emir of Bahrain reportedly is at the Cleveland Clinic for medical care. Newspaper and radio reports in Cleveland say he arrived at the clinic Wednesday. Cleveland Clinic officials say they canNOT confirm the emir's

visit. An unidentified State Department official reportedly said that the leader of the small Persian Gulf nation suffered a heart attack on October 14th.

A senior Chinese official told a leading Soviet newspaper that China's economic reform success has hinged on remaining true to communism and that freeing the political system would lead to ''social turmoil.'' The official spokesman for the State Council, China's cabinet, said China would improve, but not change its political system and will never shift to the multi-party or parliamentary system.

Former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop says it will take the co- operation of the nation's doctors, insurance companies and hospitals to cure the ills plaguing the nation's health care system. Koop said at Indiana State University ''Only the United States and South Africa do not provide health care to all people.'' He said he is ''ashamed that we don't provide access to all.''

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#90320u1010 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, Poland (NOV. 16) UPI - A public transportation strike over demanded wage increases that started four days earlier in the southern city of Krakow spread to other towns in Poland Friday.

Buses and street trams were idle in Gdansk and Krakow. In the central Polish city of Lodz, tram drivers showed up for work two hours late. Bus drivers in northern Olsztyn did the same.

The drivers are demanding that wages increase from an equivalent of about $126 a month to $210 a month.

The strikers say their buying power has suffered despite periodic fare increases.

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#90320u1040 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

GREEN BAY, Wis. (WNS) - Fort Howard Corp., which lost $76.5 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, is going to offer $250 million in common stock to existing shareholders, the firm said.

In documents filed Thursday with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission the firm announced the sale of new stock. It said it will use the proceeds to reduce its $3.3 billion long-term debt, finance capital expenditures and fund other expenses.

Fort Howard has assets of $3.9 billion, but a year ago became a private

company and built up most of its current debt.

The paper and forest products concern reported the $76.5 million loss for the first nine months of 1990 on sales of $858.9 million. In the same period in 1989, Fort Howard lost $204.5 million on sales of $784.1 million and a spokesman said despite the loss this year, the firm's cash flow is improving as losses fall.

Institutional investors reportedly intend to buy $150 million of the new stock issue and security analysts expect Fort Howard to use most of the money to reduce its debt burden from going private.

Michael Ross, a Chicago analyst for Blunt Ellis & Lowei, a division of Kemper Securities Group Inc., said the move was a good one for Fort Howard.

''This is a big plus for the company - in the right direction,'' he said.

Financial statements show the stock sale would boost shareholder equity by more than six times to about $290 million.

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#90320u1044 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) UPI - Economists have a little to smile about this morning. The September trade deficit figures are out and they are down three-point-three percent, to nine-point-four-BILLION dollars. And that comes even with oil prices up to nearly nine-year highs.

The Labor Department is also out with a favorable report on the economy, given the recent jump for energy prices. October consumer inflation was up six-tenths of one percent. But that's actually an easing of the figure from what had been eight-tenths of one percent jumps in August and September.

A freight train collided with a school bus in Miltona, Minnesota, this morning killing two people and sending 23 others to a nearby hospital. Authorities say six of the injured are in serious condition, while the remainder suffered only minor injuries.

A Soviet envoy met with Egyptian officials in Cairo today and told reporters afterward that the Kremlin would like to see a unified Arab stand and response to the Iraqi aggression in Kuwait. The Soviet diplomat is attempting to build a united Arab League position against the invasion, and he says Soviet officials believe that is the best way to get a peaceful solution to the crisis.

Russian Republic President Boris Yeltsin and Soviet President Gorbachev agreed on one thing today in speeches to the Soviet parliament... the crisis in the nation is caused by a breakdown in relations between the 15 republics and the

central government.

Yeltsin upstaged Gorbachev before the Soviet parliament today with a short, dramatic address in which he called for a vote of NO-confidence in the Soviet government. He also called for formation of an anti-crisis committee and food help from the West.

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The fate of Donald Trump's BILLION-dollar Taj Mahal casino in Atlantic City may come more into focus today. Trump appears in technical default on 47-Million dollars in interest to bondholders. And they have set a New York news conference to possibly discuss the matter.

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#90320u1122 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

MILTONA, Minn. (NOV. 16) UPI - A freight train slammed into a school bus at a downtown crossing Friday, killing the busdriver and a 9-year-old boy and injuring 23 other children.

The Alexandria school district bus driver was identified as Fred Beman, 72, and the dead student was Kristian Ringdahl, 9.

Seven of the 23 injured students were hospitalized, with at least six reported in serious condition at an Alexandria hospital. The rest were treated and released.

No one on the Soo Line train was injured.

''My first thought was, 'Thank God, none of my kids were on it,'' said Bruce Kelly, one of the first people on the accident scene. ''They ride another bus. They were lucky.''

Douglas County Sheriff Terry Eilers said the crash occurred at about 7:30 a.m. about two blocks from a Miltona school where the driver had picked up some students to bring them to classes in Alexandria. Most of the students were reported to be high school age.

Witnesses said the train's whistle was blowing prior to the crash. Eilers said the train hit the front end of the bus, ripping most of it away. He said there were about 60 children aboard and about a half-dozen were ejected from the vehicle.

A school district official described Beman as an experienced driver with a

good driving record. The sheriff said he could not verify whether the bus driver had fallen ill just before the accident.

''I can't confirm that until an autopsy is done and I believe the hospital will possbily be doing one,'' Eilers said. ''From the witnesses at the scene, it looks as though everything was in fine working order with the bus and driver prior to the accident.''

The crossing was the site of at least two other accidents, including a Dec. 5, 1988, car-train collision that claimed the lives of a woman and her parents.

''The crossing is just a stop-sign crossing,'' Eilers said. ''It's a rectangular red stop sign. There are no arm guards that come down or no flashing lights at this time. It has been a problem. We've had a car and a pickup hit there also. It involved the detrailment of one of the trains, so we've had some problems with that intersection.''

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 16) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Friday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

Major potato markets: FOB shipping points, per hundredweight unless otherwise stated:

Round reds (100 lb sacks) Colorado 8.50-9.00. Minnesota-North Dakota 9.00-9.50.

Norkotahs and Burbanks (100 lb sacks, non- size A) Colorado 6.00-6.50, Idaho 6.50-7.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) Wisconsin 12.00- 14.00, Washington 15.00, Colorado 12.00-15.00, Idaho 14.00-16.00, Oregon 14.00-16.00; (50 lb cartons, 100 count) Wisconsin 8.00-8.50, Washington 11.00-12.00, Colorado 10.00-12.00, Idaho 9.50-11.00, Oregon 10.00-12.00.

Round whites (100 lb sacks) Wisconsin 5.75- 6.00.

Colorado centennials (100 lb sacks, non-size A) 5.50-6.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) 9.00- 12.00, (100 count) 7.50-9.00.

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TORONTO (NOV. 16) UPI - Northern Dancer, the 1964 Kentucky Derby winner who became the first Canadian-bred horse to win the Run for the Roses, was put to death Friday at age 29 after a severe bout of colic.

The feisty champion, whose small but muscular frame became an industry prototype, was also a top breeder, siring a record 143 stakes winners.

Charles Taylor, president of Windfields Farms, headquartered in Oshawa, Ontario, said the horse developed colic Thursday night. Northern Dancer appeared to rally at times, but the decision was made to end his suffering.

Northern Dancer was put to death at 6:15 a.m. EST at the Windfields operation in Chesapeake City, Md., where he was retired and bred until 1987. Taylor said the horse will be buried in Oshawa in the next few days at a private ceremony.

His death comes one day after that of Alydar, the great sire who waged legendary duels with Triple Crown winner Affirmed in 1978.

''He put Canadian racing and breeding on the map,'' Taylor said of Northern Dancer. ''He had a lot of spirit, heart and pride. He knew he was still No. 1 and got annoyed if we looked at stallions in nearby stalls. He knew he was No. 1 and he couldn't see why we'd want to look at anyone else.''

Northern Dancer was born May 27, 1961 to Nearctic and Natalma at Winfields Farms in Oshawa. He was initially unpopular with track grooms, who had difficulty breaking him.

In 1964, Northern Dancer won the first two legs of the Triple Crown, the Derby and Preakness, but failed to capture the thoroughbred racing's final jewel when he finished third in the Belmont Stakes.

His Derby time of two minutes flat stood as a record until Secretariat shattered the mark in 1973.

Northern Dancer had an equally impressive record in Canada, winning the Queen's Plate in 1964, before a bowed tendon forced retirement.

Northern Dancer won often in Canada as a 2-year-old. His first big triumph in the United States came in the Remsen Stakes at Belmont Park in 1963. He won the Flamingo and Flordia derbies and a big test at Churchill Downs before scoring in the Kentucky Derby.

Northern Dancer sired European champion Nijinsky II and several English Derby winners, including The Minstrel and Sadler's Wells, a leading European sire.

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(NOV. 16) UPI - President Bush signed a handful of environment-related bills into law today in a ceremony on the South Lawn of the White House. Bush said the eight bills would protect what he termed ''some of the most precious expanses of America.'' The measures cover parts of the Mojave Desert in Nevada the Great Lakes and the Florida Keys. Bush signed the bills before leaving Washington, D-C, on an eight-day trip to Europe and the Persian Gulf.

Highlights of the 16-thousand-mile journey include the November 19th through 21st Paris summit of the Conference on Security and Co- operation, where Bush and other leaders will salute the end of the Cold War. Bush also will visit Egypt and will become the first U-S president ever to visit Czechoslovakia. The journey will climax with a Thanksgiving Day visit with American troops in Saudi Arabia.

The White House announced today that four top congressional leaders have been invited to spend Thanksgiving Day with Bush and the U-S troops in Saudi Arabia. House Speaker Tom Foley, Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, House Republican leader Bob Michel of Illinois and Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole will be sitting on sandbags with Bush and his wife, eating turkey with the troops.

Soviet diplomats are trying to build Arab unity in the Persian Gulf crisis, but the top Russian Mideast envoy urged immediate action if the U-N Security Council authorizes force to remove Iraqi troops from Kuwait. Soviet envoy Alexander Belonogov met with Egyptian officials in Cairo. He told reporters that the Kremlin still feels that an unified Arab response to the Kuwait invasion is the best way to avoid bloodshed in the region.

At the White House, news secretary Marlin Fitzwater responded- sort of- to the call by Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak for a three-month moratorium on military action against Iraq. In Fitzwater's words- ''While we don't want to give a timetable, we want to give the sanctions maximum time to work. That's our policy.''

The attorney for California Democratic Senator Alan Cranston has lost one round before the Senate ethics committee as it looks at Cranston and other members of the so-called ''Keating Five.'' Cranston's lawyer wanted the committee to keep North Carolina Republican Senator Jesse Helms from taking part in the discusions because of comments he made earlier about Cranston. Helms reportedly called Cranston- quoting now- ''the leading water carrier in Congress'' for disgraced financier Charles Keating. But committee members decided their charter does NOT give them the power to disqualify any member.

Increased exports of U-S goods in September helped cut the nation's trade deficit by three-point-three percent. The drop to nine-point-four- BILLION

dollars comes despite the higher costs of imported oil following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. And that means that if oil prices had NOT jumped sharply higher during the month, then the overall deficit could have been even lower.

An out-of-court settlement has been reached in a dispute between a Chicago car dealer and the village board of a northwest Chicago suburb. And that leaves residents of Buffalo Grove breathing a little easier. In this case, REALLY breathing easier. When the village denied a request by the car dealer to re-zone some nearby property, he leased the land to a pig farmer- and his pigs. That brought the nuisance abatement suit that has now been settled by a decision that the pigs will soon leave Buffalo Grove alone.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - The International Boxing Federation Thursday sanctioned Evander Holyfield's heavyweight title defense against George Foreman, leaving only the World Boxing Council to withhold approval of the April bout.

IBF President Bob Lee said his group's 12-member executive committee voted unanimously on the matter.

The decision came two days after the World Boxing Association sanctioned Holyfield's voluntary defense April 19 at Atlantic City, N.J.

Of the three major boxing organizations, only the WBC is threatening to strip Holyfield for not first making his mandatory defense against Mike Tyson, the top-ranked challenger.

The IBF granted approval with the condition the winner must fight Tyson by Oct. 25, with negotiations commencing by May 1 and ending by June 1. The WBA sanction stipulated the Tyson defense must be made by June 11, a less realistic deadline 53 days after Holyfield-Foreman, meaning a purse bid may be held.

Tyson had requested an exception to the rule giving a new champion a year to make his mandatory defense and the organizations originally reduced the deadline to 120 days. When Holyfield beat James ''Buster'' Douglas Oct. 25, he already had signed to fight Foreman and asked the three organizations to reconsider.

''I'm very much opposed to stripping the title of a champion who hasn't held it for 30 days,'' Lee said. ''I think any incoming champion ought to have the right to function under the rules of heavyweight boxing.

''Evander Holyfield is asking for the courtesy given every other fighter and it is our obligation to extend it.''

Tyson and adviser Don King contend the controversy surrounding Tyson's title defeat in February should merit special consideration. They have convinced the WBC that because Douglas received a long count two rounds before he decked Tyson, Tyson should get the first defense, denying Holyfield a right to a voluntary defense.

When Tyson was champion he twice put Holyfield on hold, even though he was the No. 1 contender, to make voluntary defenses.

Tyson's camp asked the IBF to delay sanction of Holyfield-Foreman until after Tyson fights Alex Stewart Dec. 8.

''We told them, that we felt the Tyson-Stewart fight would have no bearing on the Holyfield-Foreman meeting,'' Lee said.

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(NOV. 16) UPI - A couple of Soviet diplomats are pushing the Kremlin view that Arab unity is the way to a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. One Russian diplomat met with Egyptian officials in Cairo. The other said in an interview that the multi-national force in Saudi Arabia should delay the use of force to give Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein more time to withdraw from Kuwait. But he added that if the U-N Security Council authorizes the use of force, it should be used immediately.

President Bush signed a handful of environment bills today, as he prepared for his eight-day trip to Europe and the Persian Gulf. At the same time, the White House announced that the bi-partisan congressional leadership is joining Bush and his wife Barbara for Thanksgiving dinner with U-S troops in Saudi Arabia. Bush signed the environmental measures the day after he put his signature on the historic clean-air bill that is aimed at battling acid rain, ozone depletion and toxic wastes.

Two key players in a growing crisis within the Soviet Union agree on one thing there is a crisis. They disagree on just about everything else, including who is responsible and what should be done. Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and political rival Boris Yeltsin went after each other in speeches before the Supreme Soviet today. Yeltsin heads the Russian Republic, the largest political unit of the Soviet Union, and he blames the central government for the breakdown between it and the 15 republics. But Gorbachev blames the republics for sabotaging moderate economic reforms within the Soviet Union.

Researchers working on an unusual form of inherited paralysis believe they have found the defect on a gene at what is known as chromosome 17. The work covers a condition called H-P-P that causes temporary but debilitating episodes of paralysis. The malfunctioning gene apparently allows potassium to

build up outside the cell wall, upsetting the usual balance and paralyzing the muscle. The reserach was done at Harvard Medical School, the Massachusetts General Hospital and the University of Pittsburgh.

Some of the nation's schools are being turned into combat zones, where students learn about reading, writing, arithmatic- and how to shot each other. The Washington-based Center to Prevent Handgun Violence says it can document 71 gunshot slayings in the nation's schools over the past four academic years. The deaths include 65 students and six school employees. And the figures show that 201 students were wounded and 242 people were held hostage at gunpoint in American schools at one time or another since September of 1986.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 16) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	78.97	79.15	78.72	79.05	78.97
Feb	76.03	76.28	75.88	76.22	75.97
Apr	75.85	76.32	75.82	76.28	75.88
Jun	73.65	73.85	73.63	73.82	73.65
Aug	72.00	72.43	72.00	72.20	72.00
Oct	72.18	72.45	72.15	72.32	72.15
Dec	....	....	....	73.00	73.00

Est. sales 8,438 contracts; Thursday 11,727; Open interest: 69,551 off 577.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Nov	....	....	....	....	88.68
Jan	87.55	87.75	87.38	87.70	87.57
Mar	85.00	85.18	84.90	85.10	84.97
Apr	83.95	84.10	83.88	84.10	83.97
May	83.00	83.25	83.00	83.25	83.18
Aug	82.20	82.30	82.10	82.25	82.15
Sep	81.47	81.60	81.47	81.55	81.45
Oct	81.05	81.10	81.05	81.20	81.05

Est. sales 688 contracts; Thursday 1,282; Open interest: 8,085 off 1,462.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	53.40	53.80	53.05	53.70	53.35
Feb	51.65	52.65	51.60	52.42	51.63
Apr	48.55	49.47	48.53	49.40	48.47
Jun	52.70	53.63	52.70	53.35	52.72
Jul	52.70	53.40	52.70	53.40	52.78
Aug	50.60	51.60	50.60	51.63	50.72
Oct	45.60	45.95	45.60	45.95	45.75
Dec	....	....	....	45.55	45.55

Est. sales 10,653 contracts; Thursday 11,252; Open interest: 28,245 up 1,066.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	69.70	72.13	69.10	72.13	70.13
Mar	69.00	71.45	68.70	71.45	69.45
May	68.50	71.13	68.50	71.13	69.13
Jul	68.20	70.80	68.10	70.80	68.80
Aug	65.65	68.05	65.65	68.05	66.05

Est. sales 6,470 contracts; Thursday 7,089; Open interest: 12,496 up 137.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 128.17 down 1 cent, 700- 850 lbs. 128.37 up 21 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.47 up 15 cents, 700-850 lbs. 118.99 up 14 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow to moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins firm to 3.00 higher; Boston butts were not tested; skinned hams steady; seedless bellies were not established; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 102.00-108.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 95.00- 101.00, 20-26 lbs. 81.00-85.00, 26-32 lbs. 77.50-78.00; bellies 12-14 lbs. 60.00, 14-16 lbs. 60.00, 16-18 lbs. 57.00.

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(NOV. 16) UPI - The chief Soviet Mideast trouble-shooter says in a interview that if the U-N Security Council approves the use of force in the Persian Gulf crisis, then the multi-national force in Saudi Arabia should move immediately. Another Soviet diplomat said in Cairo that Arab unity is needed for their to be a peaceful solution of the crisis.

In Saudi Arabia, American and Saudi forces moved into the second day of a major exercise dubbed ''Imminent Thunder.'' The exercises involving American and Saudi air, ground and sea forces are to last through November 21st.

A Soo Line freight train slammed into a school bus at a crossing in downtown Miltona, Minnesota, this morning, killing the 72-year-old bus driver and a nine-year-old boy. 23 other children were injured, six of them seriously. NO one on the train was injured.

There is virtually NO word on the operations of the top-secret military flight of the shuttle Atlantis, which is expected to launch a spy satellite over the Persian Gulf during its four-day mission. Under its agreement with the Pentagon, NASA could NOT even discuss when the astronauts had planned for today's 40th birthday of crewman Carl Meade.

The state-run radio in South Africa says battles between taxi operators and youths over fares killed six people and left several houses destroyed in

troubled Natal province. The report today said the violence erupted in the black Folweni township when the taxi operators refused to lower their fares in line with a cut in gasoline prices on Wednesday.

Union-covered employees of United Press International voted by a 62- 38 percent margin to accept a 35 percent pay cut for the next 90 days. U-P-I management had said that if the staff rejected the pay cuts, it would immediately file a Chapter Seven bankruptcy.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 16) UPI - Boris Yeltsin upstaged Mikhail Gorbachev in a showdown Friday, demanding that the Soviet Parliament pass a vote of no confidence in the central government and create an ''anti-crisis committee'' controlled by the country's 15 republics.

Yeltsin, leader of the dominant Russian Federation, virtually called for a bloodless revolution in a concise, hard-hitting 15-minute speech to deputies that overshadowed an earlier, nearly 85-minute address by Gorbachev.

Gorbachev promised a personnel shakeup at the top of the Soviet military but otherwise failed to match Yeltsin's startling proposals.

The demand by a politician of Yeltsin's stature raised the prospect of the first-ever vote of no confidence in the country that knew only single-party rule until Gorbachev's reforms.

With the first heavy snow of the Russian winter falling outside the Kremlin's Parliament Hall, Yeltsin even stole a page from Gorbachev's playbook and issued his own urgent appeal for aid from the West to bolster the crumbling Soviet economy.

''The economic and political crisis in the country has come to a head,'' Yeltsin told lawmakers. ''The people's patience is ending and an explosion could occur at any time.''

The faceoff between the country's two most powerful figures drew a record crowd of journalists and diplomats to the Supreme Soviet, where the balconies swelled to overflowing on a day in which the very fate of the nation seemed to hang in the balance.

Yeltsin directly challenged Gorbachev to ''stop making mistakes and clinging to the old system propped up by the federal government.''

Gorbachev, whose appearance before the legislature was demanded Wednesday by deputies angered over the growing paralysis of power, made a vague reference to ''changing power structures'' but offered no details and assailed the

republics for trying to wrest control from Moscow.

In his first address to the Soviet Parliament since the new Russian legislature made him the giant republic's effective president in late May, Yeltsin spelled out a plan for radical change.

Yeltsin urged a vote of no confidence in the central Soviet government headed by Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov, whom he again accused of sabotaging all attempts at true economic reform including his 500-day program for moving the country to a market economy.

Yeltsin, a burly, white-haired Siberian, has called repeatedly for Ryzhkov's resignation in recent months, but his ultimatum Friday marked the first time he has done so before the Soviet Parliament.

The Inter-Regional Deputies' Group, a bloc of radical lawmakers co- founded by Yeltsin, made a bid several months ago for a legislative vote of no confidence in the government, but the motion died without formal action.

Some members of the radical deputies' bloc suggested Friday that Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze replace Ryzhkov at the head of the Soviet government, but Yeltsin declined comment, saying only that ''in no way should Nikolai Ryzhkov be allowed to head it.''

''The center (central government) maintains its former guise and has manifestly become a destabilizing, even obstructionist factor,'' Yeltsin said. ''The center as a matter of fact is creeping toward permanent confrontation with many republics ... especially in its relations with Russia.''

Yeltsin went beyond criticizing the government, calling for a major shift of power from the central Council of Ministers to an ''extraordinary anti-crisis committee'' dominated by the republics.

''The anti-crisis committee must be charged with the difficult task of coordinating republican programs for the creation of a market economy and transferring federal property to the republics,'' Yeltsin said.

''It must implement an anti-crisis policy and gradually form a new structure of economic power with due account for the functions that the republics will delegate to the union,'' he said.

Gorbachev angrily rejected increasingly frequent claims that the Soviet government does not have a plan for taking the country out of crisis.

''There is a specific program, and it shoud be implemented,'' he said.

Gorbachev assailed ''pressure by disruptive forces that hinder the consolidation of society,'' coming down especially hard on the burgeoning

economic warfare among republics intent on keeping more of their products at home for local consumption.

''We cannot reconcile ourselves to separatists' attempts to turn the union into a flabby entity devoid of common will and even to dismember it,'' Gorbachev said.

In the midst of their showdown, Gorbachev and Yeltsin managed a moment of almost affectionate banter with each other in a repartee reflecting a topsy-turvy relationship that has swung back and forth from bitter rivalry to amiable partnership.

When, an hour into his address, deputies interrupted Gorbachev with applause for the first time, the 1990 Nobel Peace laureate looked directly at Yeltsin seated near the front of the hall and said with a mischievous grin: ''They don't applaud like that in the Russian Parliament.''

Yeltsin's deadpan response: ''Very rarely.''

A number of deputies expressed disappointment with Gorbachev's speech, saying he had done a good job of describing the current crisis but offered few specific ideas for resolving it.

''The economic and political crisis besetting the Soviet Union is explained by the federal leadership's inconsistent and sometimes illogical policies,'' said Vitold Fokin, the new premier of the giant Ukraine republic.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (NOV. 16) UPI - The Atlantis astronauts celebrated a crewman's birthday Friday and reportedly launched a mysterious spy satellite to accomplish the primary goal of the last fully classified shuttle mission.

With radio communications between Atlantis and mission control in Houston blacked out, it was not immediately possible to determine the status of the shuttle's cargo, which analysts have speculated is either a photo-reconnaissance satellite or an electronic eavesdropping spy station.

But NBC News reported Friday afternoon the satellite had been successfully launched. Given Atlantis's 6:48 p.m. EST launch time Thursday, the astronauts presumably deployed the spacecraft sometime overnight, but that could not be immediately confirmed.

Under the Pentagon-imposed news blackout, NASA officials would not even say how Atlantis astronaut Carl Meade celebrated his 40th birthday Friday.

''Agreements between NASA and the (Defense Department) preclude us from any

announcements or commentary beyond established statements that acknowledge that the spacecraft is in orbit'' and when the shuttle will land, said a NASA spokesman at the Johnson Space Center in Houston.

The only announcement expected from NASA Friday was a brief statement announcing the day Atlantis will glide to a landing at Edwards Air Force Base in California's Mojave Desert.

Sources said before launch, however, that Atlantis's mission was scheduled to last three days, 23 hours and 55 minutes, which would result in a landing Monday at 3:43 p.m. PST.

On board are commander Richard Covey, 44, an Air Force colonel, Navy Cmdr. Frank Culbertson, 41, the co-pilot, Army Maj. Charles Gemar, 35, Marine Corps Col. Robert Springer, 48, and Air Force Lt. Col. Meade, who turned 40 Friday in orbit.

Atlantis blasted off Thursday after a near-flawless countdown to launch a satellite that might be used to spy on Iraq in support of operation Desert Shield once the spacecraft is checked out in orbit, a procedure that typically takes a month or more.

But such satellites take years to build and the one launched aboard Atlantis clearly was ordered well before the Iraqi crisis began. In addition, Atlantis was launched into an orbit that will carry it only 28.5 degrees to either side of the equator, well south of Iraq.

For that reason, John Pike, a space policy analyst with the Federation of American Scientists in Washington, speculated the satellite was an electronic signals intelligence - ''sigint'' - satellite bound for an orbit 22,300 miles above the equator where it can intercept radio communications.

But a usually reliable source told United Press International the satellite was not equipped with an ''inertial upper stage'' booster, which is required to push such heavy-weight ''Magnum-class'' satellites to their final orbits.

Aviation Week & Space Technology magazine, on the other hand, reported last month that Atlantis's payload was bound for a 460-mile- high 28.5-degree orbit and that it was equipped with a variety of high- tech sensors, including digital cameras that could be used to spy on the Persian Gulf region.

But a photo-reconnaissance satellite would work best if it passed directly over its target, raising questions about why Atlantis - and its payload - were launched into an orbit tilted 28.5 degrees to the equator. If the satellite carried aloft by Atlantis remains in that orbit, it will never fly farther north than Kuwait's southern border.

Given the conflicting information, it was not possible to determine with any

accuracy exactly what Atlantis carried into orbit or whether it will, in fact, be used to spy on Iraq.

As for Atlantis, NASA released a brief statement about 90 minutes after launch Thursday saying the shuttle and its crew were in good condition. Sources said Friday that Atlantis was operating flawlessly with no significant ''in-flight anomalies.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Gold futures closed Friday 20 to 120 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	....	....	....	378.90	379.10
Dec	380.60	381.40	376.00	379.80	380.00
Feb	384.10	385.10	379.00	383.20	383.60
Apr	388.00	388.30	383.00	386.60	387.10
Jun	387.40	387.40	387.40	390.30	390.90
Aug	391.00	391.00	391.00	393.70	394.30
Oct	....	....	....	397.30	398.00
Dec	403.00	403.00	403.00	401.00	401.80
Feb	....	....	....	405.10	406.00
Apr	....	....	....	409.00	410.00
Jun	411.00	411.00	411.00	413.20	414.30
Aug	....	....	....	417.77	418.90

Open interest: 111,194 off 1.516.

Estimated sales: 32,000 contracts.

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SOFIA (NOV. 16) UPI - More than 100,000 people, many of them carrying empty pots and pans to symbolize food shortages, massed in the capital late Friday to protest the government's economic policies.

The rally, believed to be the biggest since last June's historic democratic elections, kicked off three days of anti-government protests expected to be staged in cities across Bulgaria through the weekend.

The series of demonstrations is being organized by opposition groups pressing for the resignation of the Socialist government elected in June. Opposition leaders blamed the government for worsening economic conditions, including shortages of food and other staples.

Many of the 100,000 protesters carried empty pots and pans to symbolize the

growing ranks of the poor and hungry. Some carried banners that read, ''We don't want communism.''

The Socialist Party, which won a parliamentary majority in the June elections, is a reincarnation of the Bulgarian Communist Party that ruled Bulgaria for more than four decades.

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(NOV. 16) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $54 to $69 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.25 cent lower to 0.45 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.20 to 0.95 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.25 cent higher to 0.03 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $20.00 to $120.00 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $570.00 to $600.00 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 2.15 cents higher to 2.90 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 330.00 to 350.00 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.04 cents a pound higher to 0.02 cents a pound lower for a 12,000-pound contract.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Donald Trump, who defaulted on a $47 million interest payment on bonds for his Taj Mahal casino, and a group of his bondholders Friday reached a restructuring agreement which lawyers in the deal said would involve a brief period in bankruptcy for the gaming palace.

Trump, flanked by lawyers and financial advisers in a news conference at his Plaza Hotel on Central Park South, resisted conceding the Taj Mahal would enter bankruptcy and insisted the restructuring could be achieved out of court.

The missed bond payment was due at midnight Thursday.

However the restructuring is accomplished, Trump will retain 50 percent of the equity in the Atlantic City, N.J., casino while investors in the $675 million junk-bond issue will initially receive the other 50 percent of stock in the Taj Mahal.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	379.25 off 5.00
Morning fixing	380.30 up 1.05
Afternoon fixing	376.30 off 2.95
Close	376.50 off 2.75
Paris	385.55 up 4.93
Zurich	377.50 off 1.00
Hong Kong	379.75 up 0.80
New York	
Comex spot close	380.60 up 1.50
Republic cash	379.50 up 0.25
Handy and Harman	376.30 off 1.70

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 377.59 off 1.70 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 396.47 off 1.78 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.12 up 0.05
Republic cash	4.16 up 0.35

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.11 per fine ounce off 0.055

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.12 off 0.055 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.408 off 0.059

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 422.00 up 8.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 522.00 up 8.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 93.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 108.00 up 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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CHICAGO (NOV. 16) UPI - Steady buying throughout the day supported grain and soybean futures Friday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Closing prices were higher across the floor, although light profit- taking trimmed the gains.

The rally in soybeans was attributed to the weekly export sales report and the weekly soybean crush figure. Both were considered friendly to futures prices.

Active trading of soybean meal at higher prices in Rotterdam contributed to the strength in soybean complex futures.

Grain prices were moderately higher in quiet trading. Commercials were on both sides of the market but primarily were buyers.

There was underlying support from news of overnight sales of corn to Spain, South Korea and Taiwan and wheat to South Korea.

Country movement was light and basis levels were mixed.

At the close, corn was up 3 to 4 1/2, soybeans up 5 1/4 to 9 1/2, wheat up 1 to 3 and oats up 1 1/2 to 2.

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#90320u1480 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.69

60 to 89 days 7.87

90 to 119 days 7.67

120 to 149 days 7.56

150 to 179 days 7.48

180 to 270 days 7.38

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.82 - 7.68

Issuers 30 days 7.61

Issuers 90 days 7.73

Issuers 270 days 7.43

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.80

60 to 89 days 8.05

90 to 119 days 7.94

120 to 149 days 7.85

150 to 179 days 7.85

180 days 7.82

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.75 - 7.875

1 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

3 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

6 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

Year 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.09 - 7.07

6 months 7.03 - 7.01

Year 6.81 - 6.79

Federal Funds: High 8, Low 7 5/8, Close 7 5/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.667 off 0.020.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

-30- 1315
#90320u1483 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 25 points higher to 7 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	74.87	75.05	73.90	74.25	74.15
Mar	74.30	74.43	73.40	73.63	73.44
May	74.70	74.75	73.75	74.03	73.70
Jly	74.45	74.74	74.10	74.20	73.95
Oct	68.00	68.20	67.81	67.79	67.81
Dec	65.60	65.95	65.51	65.58	65.51
Mar	66.00	....	....	66.25	66.28

Estimated sales: 9,000 contracts
Open interest: 44,999 up 129.
The World spot average: 69.41

-30- 732
#90320u1492 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	66 3-4	up 1 1-8
AT&T Company	32	off 1 1-8
BCE Inc	33 7-8	off 1-8
Bell Atlantic	53	up 1-2
BellSouth Corp	53 1-2	up 1 1-8
Exxon Corp	50 1-2	up 1-2
Ford Motor Co	27 7-8	off 3-8
Genl Electric	55 3-8	up 3-8
General Motors	38 1-2	off 3-4

GTE Corp	x27	3-4	off 1-2
IBM Corp	113	5-8	up 1
Mobil Oil Corp	57	7-8	up 1-2
Nynex Corp	71	3-8	up 1-4
Pac Gas & Elec	23	3-4	up 1-8
Pacific Telesis	45	1-8	up 1-8
Phila Electric	16	1-4	off 1-8
Sears Roebuck	26		up 1-8
Southern Co	26	1-4	up 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	52	7-8	off 1-8
US West Inc	37		up 3-4

x-ex-dividend

-30- 1100

#90320u1507 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 297.52, low 296.14, close 297.52, up 0.83.

There was a gain of 2 cents in the average share price.

Volume 9,170,000 shares, compared with 10, 340,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	7
New Lows	35
Advances	256
Declines	265
Unchanged	251
Total Issues	772

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#90320u1532 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1025.9
Thursday	1027.6
Week ago	1027.6
Month ago	1059.7
Year ago	1091.9
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1025.5

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#90320u1549 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV 16) UPI - Scientists Friday unveiled stunning new images of Venus taken by the Magellan radar mapping probe, including a breathtaking computer movie simulating a low-altitude flight around the tortured slopes of a towering 38,000-foot mountain.

Magellan project manager Anthony Spear said the solar-powered probe has mapped 18 percent of Venus's hidden surface so far, despite a subtle glitch that has knocked the craft out of contact with Earth three times since it slipped into orbit around the cloudy planet Aug. 10.

The most recent incident occurred Thursday when Magellan lost contact for 40 minutes. Subsequent work to re-align Magellan's dish antenna with Earth resulted in the loss of three orbits of mapping data, but Spear said engineers were pleased with how fast they were able to get the craft back into action.

''We've had our share of problems, but they've all been minor problems,'' Spear said at a news conference at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif. ''I think ... our ability to work around these problems is a major testimony to the resiliency and robustness of this spacecraft's design.''

Magellan, built by Martin Marietta Astronautics Group of Denver, dropped into orbit around Venus 15 months after launch from the space shuttle Atlantis on May 4, 1989.

The 2 1/2-ton solar-powered satellite was designed to ''see'' through the clouds that perpetually blanket Venus by bouncing radar beams off the planet's surface.

Extensive computer processing on Earth can convert such radar data into photo-like images showing surface features as small as a football field, some 10 times better than the best previous effort.

Magellan began mapping the surface of Venus on Aug. 16. But after one and a half orbits, the spacecraft suddenly went into a computer-induced state of hibernation and aimed its main antenna away from Earth.

Contact was restored the next day, but it was lost again the following week. Emergency commands radioed to Magellan ''in the blind'' caused to spacecraft to search for Earth and communications ultimately were restored.

Magellan's electronic brain was subsequently reprogrammed to make it easier to restore contact whenever the glitch might occur in the future by preventing it from going into such computer-induced hibernation.

''This was a good demonstration of our ability now to handle this signal loss problem,'' Spear said of the most recent incident. But he added: ''We've got to expect it's going to happen again periodically.''

Magellan was built to map at least 70 percent of the surface of Venus during a 243-day mission. But the spacecraft is expected to continue working well beyond that point, allowing scientists to fill in the blanks caused by the signal drop outs and to increase coverage to more than 90 percent of the planet. The ''extended mission'' starts in May.

At the news conference Friday, scientists released a variety of spectacular, high-resolution radar images of the planet's tortured surface, including unprecedented shots of Ishtar Terra, an elevated plateau about the size of Australia that rises nearly 10,000 feet above the surrounding countryside.

On the eastern side of the plateau is a giant mountain called Maxwell Montes that rises some 38,000 feet above the average surface of the planet - more than a mile taller than Mt. Everest.

Magellan project officials released a stunning computer-generated movie based on data from Magellan and previous spacecraft that simulated a low-altitude flight over Ishtar Terra and around Maxwell Montes that provided a breathtaking view of the region.

Based on Magellan temperature measurements of the surface, the flanks of the mountain appear to be covered with a ''mystery'' material, possibly pyrite, or ''fool's gold.''

Other images included stunning shots of lava flows and impact craters that appear to be associated with giant horseshoe-shaped markings stretching thousands of miles that may have been formed in part by the atmospheric shock waves produced by incoming meteorites.

-30- 4320

#90320u1560 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (NOV. 16) UPI - Deposed Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega begged a federal judge Friday to let him keep his present defense attorneys, saying the U.S. government perpetuated ''a sham'' by freezing his assets and preventing him from paying the lawyers.

Noriega's lawyers have asked U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler to let them withdraw from the case because Noriega cannot pay them. They said it would be impossible for them to present an adequate defense in the complex case at the court-appointed rate of $75 per hour.

''I find myself at the mercy of an unjust system which chooses my accusers and now also is going to choose my defenders,'' Noriega said during an 18-minute address to the judge.

It was his first public statement since he was brought to the United States to stand trial on charges of protecting U.S.-bound drug shipments.

Noriega wore his khaki general's uniform and spoke in a strong, emphatic voice using a Spanish interpreter. He called the government's failed effort to persuade foreign nations to unfreeze his overseas assets a ''tragic comic action, a sham.''

He said the government was trying to prevent him from obtaining an adequate defense because it was afraid he would implicate U.S. government officials.

''You would have to be a child not to realize this case implicates the highest level of the U.S. government, including the White House,'' Noriega said.

He said that while he was in charge in Panama, the U.S. government had asked him to take illegal actions, including violating Panama's bank secrecy law in order to provide them with information on drug dealers.

Noriega referred to his lawyers as his ''army'' of unpaid soldiers.

''It is as if it was an army armed only with hand weapons,'' while prosecutors have nuclear weapons, Noriega said.

Hoeveler did not indicate when he would rule except that it would be ''quickly.''

The judge sought to calm Noriega's fears by telling the general that even if his current lawyers withdraw, a number of prominent attorneys had volunteered to represent him for $75 an hour, the maximum allowed by law for court-appointed attorneys.

''He is not being cast adrift by the court,'' Hoeveler said.

Earlier, Hoeveler rejected a plan to pay the defense attorneys with money from Noriega accounts frozen by the government.

But in June, Hoeveler issued a 13-page ruling, siding with the defense attorneys by finding that the government's action jeopardized Noriega's constitutional right to select the defense attorneys of his choice.

Hoeveler said about $20 million has been frozen in banks around the world by the U.S. government and $5.8 million in property has been handed over to the new Panamanian government without a hearing for Noriega.

The judge said at the time that the U.S. government has not demonstrated that the seized assets are the profits of illegal drug activities and maintained that it is up to the court to determine if the money is tainted by drug activities.

Defense attorneys said Noriega has received $11 million from U.S. intelligence

agencies and the Drug Enforcement Administration that could be used to pay for his defense.

In addition, they said he also has received $7 million from foreign sources. Prosecutors insist those figures are inflated.

Indictments returned against Noriega in Miami and Tampa in 1988 charge him with marijuana smuggling and providing a drug-trafficking and money laundering sanctuary for South American drug smugglers. If convicted in the Miami indictment, the 52-year-old Noriega would face a maximum penalty of 145 years in prison and a $1.1 million fine.

-30- 3880

#90320u1569 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	297.52	up	0.83
High Technology	308.01	up	4.23
Capital Goods	308.90	up	1.22
Consumer Goods	371.44	off	0.12
Service	680.89	up	3.99
Retail	943.34	up	0.60
Financial	350.40	up	0.50
Natural Resources	218.55	off	0.08
Housing-Const-Land	217.53	off	0.33

There was a gain of 2 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS			
New England	391.81	up	0.75
Mid Atlantic	395.68	off	0.53
No Central	388.81	up	2.19
So Atlantic	837.84	off	0.50
So Central	297.79	up	0.32
Mountain	107.07	up	0.89
Pacific	339.54	up	6.20
Foreign	216.01	up	0.07

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#90320u1585 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.95	up 0.19
10 Public Utils	92.05	up 0.27
10 Industrials	87.85	up 0.10

-30- 349
#90320u1592 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Friday 369.92 off 9.18.

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#90320u1600 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Friday - $39,950,000
1990 to date - $9,758,723,000

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#90320u1607 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	371.23	224.67	140.33	22.23	317.02
Opening	372.61	224.98	140.81	22.33	318.19
11 a.m.	371.34	223.87	140.53	22.26	317.17
Noon	369.45	222.35	140.27	22.10	315.63
1 p.m.	369.75	222.79	140.39	22.11	315.88
2 p.m.	370.14	222.72	140.44	22.13	316.18
3 p.m.	371.05	223.10	140.67	22.18	316.91
Close	371.23	223.44	140.78	22.23	317.12
Change	unch	off 0.23	up 0.43	unch	up 0.10

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#90320u1608 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Friday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	476,579,488	22 5/8	off 7 3/8
Microsoft	(MSFT)	54,969,388	68	up 1/8
Apple Comp	(AAPL)	48,775,344	35 1/8	off 3/4
Adobe Sys	(ADBE)	44,860,868	26	off 3 5/8
Intel Corp	(INTL)	25,270,590	37	up 1/4
Cisco Sys	(CSCO)	21,918,878	36 1/2	unch
Novell	(NOVL)	17,761,880	28 1/2	off 1/4
Conner Per	(CNNR)	15,850,520	24 1/4	unch

Wetterau Inc	(WETT)	15,416,502	30 1/8	up 1/4
Telecredit	(TCRD)	13,687,691	40	up 3/8

Composite Index 154.31 off 1.63

NMS volume 107,160,200 shares.

Advances	717
Declines	785
Unchanged	1,278
Total	2,780

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#90320u1611 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks	-	165,440,000 shares
1990 to date	-	35,291,281,300
Warrants	-	838,900
1990 to date	-	228,827,900

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#90320u1613 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Dexter Manley of the Washington Redskins, who received a lifetime ban from the NFL a year ago, Friday made his case for reinstatement but must wait until Monday for Commissioner Paul Tagliabue's decision.

Tagliabue met for an hour and 45 minutes with the defensive end and his attorney, Bob Woolf. Woolf said they briefed Tagliabue on Manley's treatment, aftercare and community service.

The commissioner said he will review records and a report from NFL drug adviser Dr. Lawrence Brown before ruling.

''I think they're really convinced Dexter put in a good year,'' Woolf said. ''They're really concerned it happens in the future.''

Manley was suspended last Nov. 18 after testing positive for cocaine, his third violation of the league's substance-abuse policy. Banned players are eligible to appeal for reinstatement after a year.

''It's been very tough but at the same time, there's been a lot of growth,'' Manley said of his year out of football.

Asked his response if reinstatement were denied, Manley said: ''I've been disappointed before. Again dealing with rejections, I'd have to go ahead and process those things.''

He added: ''What's most important is my recovery, my sobriety. That's what I'm most concerned with. There's good sobriety and quality sobriety. This time I have quality sobriety.''

Still, Manley conceded that to get through the wait, ''I've adopted Mr. Woolf as my father for the weekend.''

Manley has undergone urinalysis three times a week for almost a year and has come up clean each time. If reinstated, he prefers to stay with the Redskins although they are expected to waive him.

Woolf said he has had only one inconclusive conversation with Washington General Manager Charles Casserly.

Teams expected to have interest are Phoenix, which is coached by former Washington assistant Joe Bugel, and the Raiders, who reportedly are interested in his pass rushing.

''The most important thing is getting my integrity back and I think I will do that as long as I stay clean,'' Manley said.

Manley said if reinstatement is denied he will possibly pursue wrestling, boxing or promoting.

-30- 2390

#90320u1616 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) UPI - Fourteen years ago, Chief Justice Warren Burger led a unanimous Supreme Court in steamrolling a lower court order that barred news reports of the pre-trial statements of an accused murderer for fear they would sway potential jurors.

Burger called such ''prior restraints'' on free speech and the press ''the most serious and the least tolerable infringement on First Amendment rights.'' He noted, however, that the balancing act between freedom of the press and the right to a fair trial is ''almost as old as the Republic.''

For the first time since that 1976 case, the issues are again squarely before the Supreme Court.

This time, the dispute is between Cable News Network and deposed Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega over the network's right to broadcast audio tapes it obtained of talks between Noriega and his defense team.

Lucas Powe, a University of Texas law professor who just completed a book on freedom of the press, said while he does not expect it to happen, if the high court were to uphold the prior restraint against CNN, it would be a ''major

blow'' to the American media and could open the doors to an increased use of the device by trial judges.

''Historically, this has been the bedrock protection of freedom of the press '' Powe said of the ban against prior restraint, which has been common law throughout much of the nation's history and was enunciated by the Supreme Court as far back as 1931. ''If you can't win on the turf you're safest on, it puts in (question) where you can win.''

CNN asked the Supreme Court Thursday to overturn decisions by a Florida trial court and the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ordering the network to halt airing of the audio tapes so they could be reviewed to determine possible damage to Noriega's defense at his drug trafficking trial.

CNN contends the government made the tapes of telephone conversations from federal prison in Miami where Noriega is awaiting trial, and that it obtained them through legal means and good reporting.

Noriega's lawyers claim the tapes violate attorney-client privilege and could be grounds for throwing out the drug charges.

The government has said any tapes it made were of legally monitored conversations.

''The standard boilerplate rule'' of press freedom is that news outlets ''can say whatever they want, there's no prior restraint, but they may be punished after the fact by doing so,'' said American University law professor Ira Robbins. ''This (Noriega) case broke new ground by saying you can't publish at all.''

While the 1976 case stemmed from a decision of the Nebraska Supreme Court, this marks the first time since the 1971 Pentagon Papers case that a federal appeals court has upheld a prior restraint against publishing or broadcasting news.

The high court ruled in that case that the absolute right to publish documents involving the Vietnam War outweighed national security concerns.

Powe said since the high court did not permit prior restraint in that case - which he called the ''most massive security brief in the history of the world'' - he does not expect it to do so here.

The Nebraska case showed that a defendant has the burden of proving there is no alternative to a gag order when there is a dispute between press freedom and trial rights, something that has not even been attempted in this case, said Jane Kirtley, an attorney for The Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press.

''In my view, anyway, CNN has no legal duty to preserve the attorney- client privilege'' unless the network actually made the tapes, which no one has alleged, said Kirtley. Five of the justices involved in the 1976 case remain on the nine-member court, and Kirtley predicted CNN would prevail.

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#90320u1619 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
AT&T	3,938,100	32	off 1 1/8
UtTelcm	2,833,500	22 1/2	off 2 7/8
Varity	2,608,300	2	off 1/8
IBM Corp	2,473,700	113 5/8	up 1
Gen Motor	2,328,200	38 3/8	off 7/8
Toys R Us	2,237,400	22 3/8	off 7/8
Ford Motor	2,195,200	27 7/8	off 3/8
Exxon Corp	2,120,000	50 3/8	up 3/8
Gen Electric	2,096,800	55 3/8	up 3/8
Philip Morris	1,608,000	48 1/8	off 3/8
Wal Mart Stores	1,555,200	29 1/4	up 5/8
GTE Corp	1,522,100	27 5/8	off 5/8
MCA Inc	1,515,300	64 7/8	off 3
EastKodak	1,506,800	42	up 1/2
PepsiCo	1,446,900	25 1/2	up 1/8

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#90320u1621 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2550.25	up	5.20	864.46	off	3.51	208.25	up	0.82
Thursday	2545.05	off	14.60	867.97	off	9.62	207.43	off	1.32
Week ago	2488.61	up	44.80	833.39	up	5.73	210.32	up	1.19
Month ago	2520.79	up	68.07	868.16	up	11.28	209.88	up	1.57
Year ago	2652.66	up	17.00	1191.15	off	6.57	221.08	off	1.32
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90320u1622 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Fruit of Loom	724,300	6 3/4	up 3/8
BAT Industries	363,000	11	unch
A t2 sc	320,300	6 3/8	off 1/4
Amdahl Corp	237,600	13 5/8	up 1/4
Salomon wt93Jan	235,800	18 1/4	off 1/8
Contl Air Hldgs	220,100	3 3/4	up 1/2
Energy Service	214,200	2 1/4	unch
Rhone Poulenc	202,800	10 1/2	off 1/4
Echo Bay Mines	177,700	10 3/8	off 1/4
Giant Food A	154,400	25 3/8	up 1/8

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#90320u1623 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	173.30	up	0.18
ASE Market Value Index	297.52	up	0.83
Dow-Jones Industrial	2550.25	up	5.20

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#90320u1648 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	26.00-26.10	27.30-27.35
North Sea Brent	30.20-30.25	31.60-31.65
West Texas Intermed	29.75-29.85	31.10-31.15
Light Louisiana Sweet	30.80-30.95	32.05-32.15
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	80.40-80.65	82.65-83.15
No. 2 Heating oil	83.52-83.90	85.85-86.10
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	75.90-76.10	78.15-78.35
No. 2 Heating oil	82.00-82.20	84.05-84.20

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#90320u1658 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended November 16, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
IBM Corp	11,657,100	114 1/8	110 3/4	113 5/8	up 3 3/8
Limited Inc	11,256,300	15 5/8	14 3/8	14 3/4	up 1/8
Alcan Alum	10,498,800	18	17 1/4	17 1/2	up 1/4
Philip Morris	9,930,500	49 3/4	48 1/8	48 1/8	off 5/8
Fed Nat Mtge	9,347,900	32 7/8	31	32 1/4	up 1 3/4
Amer Express	9,168,000	22 3/4	19 7/8	21 5/8	up 2
Citicorp	8,777,500	14 3/8	12 3/8	13 7/8	up 1 5/8
General Elec	8,293,700	56 1/4	54 1/4	55 3/8	up 1 5/8
AT&T Co	7,961,900	33 7/8	31 1/8	32	off 1
PepsiCo	7,829,800	26	24 1/4	25 1/2	up 1 1/8
BankAmerica	x7,174,800	24 1/2	22 1/4	23 1/4	up 1
Wal Mart Stores	6,808,600	29 5/8	28 3/8	29 1/4	up 1 1/8
Toys R Us	6,793,000	24	21 3/8	22 3/8	up 1
Gen Motor	6,610,500	40 1/8	37 5/8	38 3/8	up 3/4
Exxon Corp	6,154,900	50 3/4	49 3/4	50 3/8	unch
Schering Plough	5,935,000	46 1/4	43 1/8	43 1/4	off 1 1/2
Fed Nat Mtge wt	5,912,500	18 1/4	16 1/8	17 3/4	up 1 7/8
Eastman Kodak	5,879,800	42 1/2	40 3/8	42	up 1 1/4
Texas Util	5,804,600	37 7/8	36 3/4	37 1/4	unch
Ford Motor	5,566,200	29 1/2	27 1/4	27 7/8	up 1/2

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#90320u1659 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	230.00	231.00	228.00	230.05	229.50
Mar	231.20	232.20	231.20	232.20	231.65
Jun	....	....	....	234.60	234.05

Estimated volume: 80 contracts.

Open interest: 1,263 up 1.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	319.80	320.80	315.80	319.30	318.05
Mar	322.40	323.50	318.55	321.90	320.65
Jun	....	326.30	321.50	324.75	323.65
Sep	326.10	329.00	324.00	327.65	326.30

Estimated volume: 53,236 contracts.
Open interest: 155,986 off 3,014.
Today's estimated volume: 44,076 contracts.
Open interest: 159,000 off 1,009.

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	174.40	174.90	172.15	174.05	173.50
Mar	175.70	175.95	173.50	175.30	174.75
Jun	177.00	177.00	177.00	176.60	176.05

Open interest: 4,658 off 15.
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	536.00	537.40	529.70	534.80	532.95
Dec	537.50	539.70	532.00	537.75	535.60
Jan	536.30	539.75	536.00	539.75	537.50

Estimated volume: 6,084 contracts.
Open interest: 8,294 up 247.

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#90320u1664 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2550.25	up	5.20
20 Trans	864.46	off	3.51
15 Utils	208.25	up	0.82
65 Stocks	890.98	up	0.73

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#90320u1667 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) UPI - President Bush prepared to travel Friday to Europe and the Middle East where he will help put to rest a conflict of ideology and personally assess a conflict of wills that threatens to escalate into war.

''Some of the stops will highlight how far our European friends and allies have come in their efforts to achieve a Europe whole and free, while others will show how determined all of us are to assist our friends in the gulf in regaining their peace and security,'' Bush said in a preparatory statement to reporters.

Bush's eight-day, 16,000-mile trip will take him to Czechoslovakia, Germany, France, Saudi Arabia and Egypt. Mrs. Bush will accompany the president, who will spend Thanksgiving Day visiting with U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia.

He will rack up a presidential first when he arrives in Prague, Czechoslovakia

for a ceremonial welcome Saturday morning.

Bush's visit to Prague was timed to the celebration of the first anniversary of the Velvet Revolution that resulted in the overthrow of communism and the installation of playright-politician Vaclav Havel as the president.

While the threat of war in the Persian Gulf will overshadow his other activities during the trip, Bush will participate in several historic events during his three-day stay in Paris, where he travels on Sunday after a quick visit to German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's hometown of Ludwigshafen, Germany.

Once in Paris, Bush will join Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and other world leaders, including Kohhl, in signing documents that will effectively end the Cold War.

The leaders will sign the Conventional Forces in Europe Treaty, which authorizes drastic cuts in NATO and Warsaw Pact arsenals and will sign the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) documents, confirming the end of East-West separation of the continent and demise of communist rule.

Bush also plans to confer with Gorbachev, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and with his host, French President Francois Mitterrand, on issues, including the crisis prompted by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

While Thatcher has taken a hard line for a military solution, Gorbachev and Mitterrand have urged caution and a longer timetable to see if the U.N.-sponsored economic sanctions against Iraq are effective.

In an interview with Cable News Network aired Thursday night, Bush restated his desire for a peaceful end to the crisis, but said the United States and other forces aligned against Iraq are keeping the option open for a military effort to drive Iraq from Kuwait.

Although ordering a virtual doubling of U.S. troop strength in the gulf to 400,000 soldiers, Bush said he had not made any determination about taking military action with forces that will soon have offensive capabilities.

''I'm not going to compromise one single iota with the principles I have outlined,'' he said, adding later that: ''I know in my heart of hearts that what we are doing is right. I know that what the United Nations has done is correct. I know we have to stand up against aggression, an aggression that goes rewarded today means instability and horror tomorrow.''

Security for the Bush entourage will be tight throughout the trip with extra precautions being taken when Bush stops in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, where he will meet with Saudi King Fahd and Sheikh Jabir Al Sabah, the exiled Emir of Kuwait and when they travel to the troop encampments in the desert.

The White House also announced Friday that Bush will have some additional company when visits the U.S. troops, with Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell, Senate Republican leader Robert Dole, House speaker Tom Foley and House Republican leader Robert Michel accepting his invitation to join him in the gulf.

But Bush will not be the first president to visit an international hotspot when he breaks bread with the troops in the Saudi desert. Both Lyndon Johnson and Richard Nixon visited U.S. troops in South Vietnam.

''The highlight of this trip for me, I know, will be the chance to spend Thanksgiving Day with the men and women of our Armed Forces who are participating in Operation Desert Shield,'' said the president.

Politically scarred by the ferocious budget battle with Congress and Republican defeats in last week's elections, Bush leaves behind a sluggish economy.

He maintained in his CNN remarks that the nation had yet to technically enter a recession, but he came the closest yet to acknowledging such an economic downturn is in the offing, if not already arrived.

Bush spent some of Friday meeting with leaders of blue chip corporations, many of whom felt that the United States already has slipped into a recession.

Laying some blame for economic troubles on the gulf crisis, Bush said he is hopeful that if a recession does occur it will be over in ''six months at most'' - unless the shock to oil prices brought on by the crisis continues.

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#90320u1669 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6125	off 50
Capital Cities	397	up 15 1/2
Atl Richfld pfC	307 1/8	off 6 1/8
Utd Telecom pfA	55 1/4	off 6
No State Pwr pfD	46	up 5
PSE&G pfI	84 1/8	up 3 1/4
MCA Inc	64 7/8	off 3
PSE&G pfL	88	up 3
Utd Telecom	22 1/2	off 2 7/8
Washington Post	176	off 2 1/2
Detroit Edisn pf	158 1/2	off 2 1/2

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#90320u1675 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) UPI - Largest net changes among AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended November 16, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
A ibm ut	112 5/8	up 5 7/8
Howell	22	up 5 1/4
APetrof	79 1/2	up 4 3/4
SPI Pharm	11 5/8	up 4 3/8
A arc sc	24	off 4 3/8
A mrk ut	81 1/2	up 4 1/4
Viatech	23 3/8	up 4 1/8
A ibm pr	111 1/4	up 3 3/8
BHC Com	44 3/4	up 3 3/8
AIsreal	32	up 3 1/4

-30- 730

#90320u1687 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	354.46	349.03	350.85	off 3.61
Industrial	377.82	374.19	376.59	off 1.26
Finance	351.01	348.03	349.89	off 1.85
Insurance	419.56	416.97	417.32	off 0.82
Utility	487.58	455.96	459.23	off 30.86
Bank	253.75	250.99	252.24	off 0.16
Transport	388.67	384.33	385.37	off 0.20

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	154.30 off 1.64
Industrial Index	149.60 off 0.52
NASDAQ-100 Index	369.92 off 9.18
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	7.98 off 0.00
Volume	107,160,200 shares
Advances	717
Declines	785
Unchanged	1,278
Total	2,780

-30- 1244
#90320u1693 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter
--day as supplied by NASD.

Volume	131,970,900
Advances	850
Declines	942
Unchanged	2,421
Total	4,213

-30- 375
#90320u1698 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2550.00	2570.70	2523.20	2550.25	up 5.20
20 Trans	867.79	876.11	852.63	864.46	off 3.51
15 Utils	208.31	209.76	206.74	208.25	up 0.82
65 Stock	891.86	889.26	881.19	890.98	up 0.73

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	21,843,700	15,854,000
Trans	3,406,700	3,908,000
Utils	3,000,500	2,373,800
65 Stock	33,898,900	22,136,000

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	89.95	up 0.19
10 Public Utils	92.05	up 0.27
10 Industrials	87.85	up 0.10

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at
125.81 up 0.31.

-30- 918
#90320u1703 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (NOV. 16) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Friday -	8,397,000
1990 to date -	2,202,476,000

The market closed higher.

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#90320u1707 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 16) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.02	8.12	8.45
91-day Treasury bills	7.30	7.27	7.68
182-day Treasury bills	7.37	7.37	7.45
1-year Treasury bills	7.28	7.32	7.17
3-year Treasury notes	7.69	7.70	7.75
7-year Treasury notes	8.19	8.24	7.86
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.45	8.52	7.93
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.98	8.92	8.66
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.65	9.70	9.21
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.83	8.90	8.88
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.00	9.14	8.85
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.30	9.36	9.10
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.29	9.34	9.08

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

-30- 1371

#90320u1716 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) UPI - President Bush signed legislation Friday to tighten airline security, calling the measure a ''living memorial'' to the 270 people killed in the Dec. 21, 1988, terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103.

The measure is the result of a series of recommendations by Congress and a presidential commission as well as the survivors of those killed when the jet exploded over Lockerbie, Scotland.

''The relatives and friends of the Pan Am victims deserve great credit for their persistence,'' Bush said in a statement.

Many relatives angrily demanded action after the bombing. They charged the plane's cargo had not been subjected to adequate scrutiny and accused the government of failing to warn the public about a possible attack.

Since the bombing, which remains an unsolved mass murder, the United States has imposed tougher screening requirements on both cargo and passengers.

The Aviation Security and Improvement Act signed by Bush codifies into law many steps taken the past year by the administration, including:

-Creating a director of the Office of Intelligence and Security at the Transportation Department.

-Establishing an assistant administrator for civil aviation security at the Federal Aviation Administration.

-Creating federal security managers at overseas airports.

Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., chief sponsor of the measure, said, ''Today the president has signed legislation that will make it safer for Americans to fly throughout the world.''

Lautenberg said, ''The terrorists aren't giving up and neither can we.''

Bush called the legislation ''a living memorial to those whose lives were so cruelly cut short by the terrorists responsible for bombing Pan Am 103.''

''This act reflects the workings of the American democracy - an effort by private citizens, the Congress and the executive branch to join in the common cause against international terrorism.''

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#90320u1729 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	11	15	14
New lows	43	37	69

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	764	57,382,000
Declines	716	69,853,000
Unchanged	506	38,205,000
Total	1,986	165,440,000

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#90320u1730 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended November 16:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2498.51	2581.19	2490.10	2550.25	up 61.64
20 Trans	836.91	855.54	835.61	864.46	up 31.07

15 Utils 210.70 212.97 206.05 208.25 off 2.07
65 Stocks 875.44 904.18 873.10 890.98 up 18.71
20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

89.59 89.89 89.59 89.95 up 0.65
Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

127.16 127.18 125.50 125.81 off 1.53

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#90320u1733 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 16) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 7
New lows 35

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	256	3,678,700
Declines	265	3,075,900
Unchanged	251	2,415,400
Total	772	9,170,000

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#90320u1754 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 16) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Wk Ago	Change
Federal funds rate	8.02	N/A	N/A
91-day Treasury bills	7.30	7.28	up 0.24
182-day Treasury bills	7.37	7.04	up 0.24
1-year Treasury bills	7.28	6.85	up 0.43
3-year Treasury notes	7.69	7.74	off 0.05
7-year Treasury notes (new)	8.19	8.34	off 0.15
30-year Treasury bond (new)	8.45	8.63	off 0.18
10-year Bell Telephone bond	8.98	9.15	off 0.17
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.65	9.21	off 0.15
GNMA 11 1/2 15-year mortgage	8.83	9.01	off 0.18
GNMA 12 1/2 30-year mortgage	9.00	9.11	off 0.11
F12 1/2 30-year mortgage	9.30	9.47	off 0.17
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.29	9.45	off 0.16

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

-30- 1454

#90320u1757 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	173.83	172.57	173.30	up 0.18
Industrial	214.67	213.14	213.98	up 0.25
Transport	136.03	134.77	135.57	off 0.19
Utility	89.58	89.15	89.41	up 0.04
Finance	116.94	116.15	116.54	up 0.13

Equivalent to a gain of 3 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 165,440,000 shares.

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#90320u1758 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) UPI - John Doar vividly recalls the time Attorney General Robert Kennedy summoned him to his august Washington office to report on the Justice Department's strategy for dealing with voting rights abuses.

Doar, a government prosecutor in the department's fledgling civil rights division, spread out a map of the South before Kennedy and explained how he planned to bring lawsuits in the seven judicial districts in three states.

''Too slow,'' Kennedy snapped. ''Won't do. We've got to do more.''

''He took a look at the number of counties,'' Doar remembered, ''and he wanted pins in the map, suits filed in almost every one of those counties.''

And, much to Doar's chagrin, Kennedy wanted it all done ''the day before yesterday.''

It was a monumental task for the tiny civil rights division, but diligent federal prosecutors soon were making grueling 16-day trips through the South on rickety DC-3s to investigate abuses and monitor elections.

''And what did they find as they crisscrossed the South? They found a rigid caste system implemented ... through discrimination in voting,'' Doar said.

''It was really amazing.''

To mark the 25th anniversary of the historic Voting Rights Act, the Justice Department assembled a panel of experts Friday to reflect on events that led to its passage and to assess how the act stands up in the 1990s.

Julian Bond, famed civil rights activist and former Georgia state legislator, praised the Civil Rights Act as ''the most effective civil rights legislation that ever passed.''

''No American can afford to have that right destroyed or its protection relaxed,'' Bond said, ''because of the shallow protestations of present day apologists for yesterday's status quo.''

Gushed Assistant Attorney General John Dunne, head of the Justice Department's civil rights division: ''Over a 25 year period, a mere tick of sociological time ... grevious, unconstitutional injustices were addressed squarely and fundamentally.''

President Lyndon Johnson signed the Voting Rights Act into law Aug. 6, 1965. It's impact became clear the following day as several lawsuits were filed challenging local poll tax laws in the South.

The act suspended literacy tests and other prerequisites to voter registration which were often used to deny Southern blacks access to the voting booth. In addition, it called for federal observers to monitor elections, and prohibited certain local jurisdictions from enacting any voting system without seeking approval from Washington.

Since then, ''the basic structure of American political life has changed permanently and profoundly,'' Dunne said. ''We should all take enormous pride in this essentially peaceful revolution.''

But the act isn't without its detractors. One of the panelists, Abigail Thernstrom, author of a 1987 study on minority voting rights, said the Voting Rights Act may have outlived its purpose.

''Voting Rights have become another immensely complicated affirmative action issue distinctive only in not being acknowledged as such,'' said Thernstrom, a Brandeis University professor.

She said the act was an essential tool for correcting political imbalances tilted against minorities in the 1960s, but in recent years it has helped to create a new form of segregation.

Current federal policy, Thernstrom said, is based on the ''dubious, and in my view, dangerous'' premise that ''only blacks can represent blacks, only Hispanics can represent Hispanics, and ... only whites can represent whites.''

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#90320u1762 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 437.94, off 0.08 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90320u1766 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Thu	Fri	Thu
Argntn austral	.000193	.000191	5179.00	5223.00
Australia dlr	.7640	.7715	1.3089	1.2962
Austria schill	.0967	.0962	10.34	10.39
Belgium franc-c	.0329	.0329	30.35	30.44
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0088	.0088	113.49	114.49
Britain pound	1.9660	1.9598	.5086	.5103
Britain 1-mo	1.9561	1.9491	.5112	.5131
Britain 3-mo	1.9392	1.9329	.5157	.5174
Britain 6-mo	1.9183	1.9120	.5213	.5230
Canada dollar	.8586	.8587	1.1647	1.1645
Canada 1-mo	.8555	.8556	1.1689	1.1688
Canada 3-mo	.8503	.8500	1.1761	1.1765
Canada 6-mo	.8432	.8432	1.1860	1.1859
Chile peso-f	.003269	.003273	305.90	305.53
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001863	.001865	536.78	536.22
Denmark krne	.1766	.1761	5.6640	5.6800
Ecudr sucre-z	.001179	.001186	848.25	843.00
Egypt pound	.3614	.3614	2.7670	2.7670
Finlnd mrkka	.2819	.2815	3.5470	3.5520
France franc	.2013	.2010	4.9665	4.9750
France 1-mo	.2010	.2007	4.9740	4.9827
France 3-mo	.2004	.2000	4.9908	5.0000
France 6-mo	.1992	.1988	5.0200	5.0292
Greece drach	.006634	.006645	150.73	150.49
Hollnd guildr	.6030	.6011	1.6585	1.6635
HongKong dlr	.1283	.1284	7.7928	7.7910

India rupee	.0557	.0557	17.94	17.94
Indo'sa rupia	.000538	.000538	1859.00	1858.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.8220	1.8165	0.5488	0.5505
Israel shekel	.5110	.5097	1.9570	1.9620
Italy lira	.000902	.000899	1109.25	1112.50
Japan yen	.007719	.007752	129.55	129.00
Japan 1-mo	.007731	.007764	129.35	128.80
Japan 3-mo	.007755	.007813	128.95	128.00
Japan 6-mo	.007826	.007826	127.78	127.78
Jordan dinar	1.5555	1.5555	.6429	.6429
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000343	.000344	2912.00	2907.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6085	.6107	1.6434	1.6375
Norway krne	.1738	.1729	5.7525	5.7850
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	428,475	424,535
P'pnes peso-z	.0366	.0366	27.31	27.31
Portugl escud	.007752	.007711	129.00	129.68
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5855	.5839	1.7080	1.7125
S.Africa rand	.3967	.3973	2.5206	2.5172
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010667	.010616	93.75	94.20
Sweden krona	.1807	.1802	5.5340	5.5500
Switzrl franc	.8040	.7993	1.2438	1.2511
Switzrl 1-mo	.8038	.7990	1.2441	1.2515
Swirzrl 3-mo	.8025	.7980	1.2461	1.2532
Switzrl 6-mo	.8011	.7967	1.2483	1.2552
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0375	26.74	26.66
Turkey lira	.000365	.000366	2737.00	2734.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0203	.0203	49.30	49.30
Germany mark	.6801	.6775	1.4703	1.4760
Germany 1-mo	.6799	.6772	1.4708	1.4766
Germany 3-mo	.6785	.6759	1.4739	1.4796
Germany 6-mo	.6783	.6734	1.4742	1.4849
Yugosl dinar	.0986	.0987	10.14	10.13

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90320u1767 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended November 16:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	175.09	172.24	173.30	up 2.13
Industrial	216.32	212.71	213.98	up 2.63
Transportation	137.78	131.95	135.57	up 5.11
Utilities	91.00	89.15	89.41	off 0.77
Finance	117.75	113.19	116.54	up 4.63

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#90320u1769 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended November 16:

High	Low	Last	Net change
297.52	296.14	297.52	up 6.49

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#90320u1782 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended November 16.

	30 Indus			20 Transp			15 Utils		
Monday	2540.35	up	51.74	866.68	up	33.29	212.09	up	1.77
Tuesday	2535.40	off	4.95	867.79	up	1.11	209.07	off	3.02
Wednesday	2559.65	up	24.25	877.59	up	9.80	208.75	off	0.32
Thursday	2545.05	off	14.60	867.97	off	9.62	207.43	off	1.32
Friday	2550.25	up	5.20	864.46	off	3.51	208.25	up	0.82
Net Change		up	61.64		up	31.07		off	2.07

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#90320u1794 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Stock exchange sales for the week ended November 16.

New York Stock Exchange: Stocks - 996, 109,470 shares, compared with 915,361,058 a week earlier and with 884,810,840 the year before. Warrants - 7,015,800 compared with 6,909,100 a week earlier and with 3,437,600 the year before. Bonds - $190,448,000 compared with $194,834,000 a week earlier and with $207,593,000 the year before.

American Stock Exchange: Stocks - 50,647, 295 shares, compared with 49,209,665 a week earlier and with 59,807,200 the year before. Bonds - $18,287,000 compared with $18,485, 000 a week earlier and with $16,072,000 the year before.

Midwest Stock Exchange: Stocks - 45,628, 000 shares, compared with 40,730,000 a week earlier and with 52,653,000 the year before.

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#90320u1799 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - The dollar plunged across the board in New York trading as a dollar-bearish currency market reacted to a Federal Reserve easing of interest rates, a larger-than-expected trade deficit and other economic news.

The Fed added funds to the U.S. reserve system by purchasing securities from the open market, lowering the key federal funds rate set on banks' overnight loans of reserve funds to 7.5 percent from 7.75 percent.

The recession-fighting move, which was widely anticipated, sent investors'funds into currencies of countries with higher-yielding rates.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.4678 German marks, down from 1.4750 - a new record low closing price for the deutsche mark in the New York market - and at 129.37 Japanese yen, down from 129.60.

Analysts said the effect of lowered interest rates was amplified by the news that the rate of consumer inflation eased in October, when prices rose by just 0.6 percent, compared to 0.8 percent in the two previous months.

They said that evidence that rising oil prices have not sent inflation out of control gave the Fed more leeway in easing credit.

Another negative for the greenback was news of a $9.41 billion September trade deficit. While lower than August's, the gap was wider than what economists had expected.

Taken together, the Fed's move and the economic data spelled more trouble for the feeble dollar. ''I've got a feeling we're going lower,'' said Earl Johnson a Harris Bank vice president and corporate currency adviser.

There is very little in sight to help the dollar, said Johnson, adding: ''The only thing I can think of is if the (Bush) administration comes out and starts saying strongly they don't want it to go any lower.''

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2450 Swiss francs, down from Thursday's 1.2508;

4.9635 French francs, down from 4.9830; and 1,108.50 Italian lire, down from 1,113.

The British pound moved up to $1.9675 from $1.9575.

In Europe, the dollar closed mostly lower, prodded by the size of the U.S. trade deficit.

Scattered dollar gains were described as insignificant by a Salomon Brothers dealer, who said investors were just covering ''short,'' or selling, positions ahead of the weekend in case war broke out in the Persian Gulf.

The dollar moved up in Frankfurt, to 1.4790 German marks from 1.4785, and strengthened in Paris and Milan, where respective closing prices were 4.9935 French francs vs. 4.9765 and 1,115.10 lira vs. 1,112.35.

But the U.S. unit fell in both Zurich, closing at 1.2430 Swiss francs vs. 1.2522 Thursday, and Brussels, to 30.40 Belgian francs vs. 30.4450.

In London, the pound moved up to $1.9665 from 1.9605, but turmoil in the ruling Conservative Party drove sterling down against European units.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar gained on the yen in quiet trading as participants adjusted positions ahead of the weekend. The dollar finished at 129.73 yen vs. Thursday's close of 129.30 yen.

NBD Bank currency manager Tomishige Kobayaski said investors singled out the yen as the most unattractive currency in the present market, focusing on the interest rate-bolstered German mark and the dollar.

Gold closed lower in Zurich, at $377.50 an ounce vs. $378.50, and in London, at $376.50 an ounce vs. $379.25.

Silver was unchanged in Zurich at $4.15 an ounce but declined in London to $4.12 an ounce from Thursday's $4.18.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $379.50 an ounce, up from $379.25 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $380.60 an ounce, up from $379.10.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.16 an ounce, up from $4.125. Comex silver ended at $4.122 an ounce, up from $4.117.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended November 16 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	161,397,880	147,506,360	2,114,700	1, 833,500
Tuesday	160,181,790	141,131,718	1,612,000	1, 433,400
Wednesday	179,314,990	149,138,240	1,487,500	916,700
Thursday	151,383,580	155,570,400	962,000	1,237, 100
Friday	165,410,690	145,162,870	838,900	1,488, 400
Total	817,688,930	738,509,588	7,015,800	6,909, 100

Bonds

	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 30,510,000	$ 41,135,000
Tuesday	$ 39,233,000	$ 37,242,000
Wednesday	$ 43,708,000	$ 37,715,000
Thursday	$ 37,056,000	$ 44,668,000
Friday	$ 39,941,000	$ 34,074,000
Total	$190,448,000	$194,834,000

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(NOV 16) UPI - Amid signs that diplomatic efforts to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis were still alive, oil prices tumbled more than a $1.50 Friday through the important $30-a-barrel level.

On the week, U.S. crude fell more than $4 a barrel, unleaded gasoline plunged nearly 11 cents and heating oil dropped almost 6 cents a gallon, as the market focused on rising supplies in the absence of any war news from the Persian Gulf.

The U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for December delivery ended Friday down $1.34 from Thursday at $29.78 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, $4.11 lower than a week earlier.

The $30 price is ''a psychologically important level that we've broken here today,'' said Peter Beutel of Pegasus Econometrics Group in Hoboken, N.J.

Jeffrey Welch, vice president of Shearson Lehman Hutton's International Energy Desk in New York, attributed some of the downward pressure to a New York Times interview with the Soviet Union's chief Middle East negotiator, Yevgeny Primakov.

The Soviet envoy called for a delay in a U.N. Security Council vote to authorize the use of force to expel Iraq from Kuwait and allow more time for negotiations that might give Iraqi President Saddam Hussein a face-saving

reason for leaving peacefully.

In addition, Soviet envoy Alexander Belonogov told reporters after talks in Cairo with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid that the Kremlin would like to see a ''unified'' Arab response to Saddam's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

A former Soviet ambassador to Egypt, Belonogov criticized Iraq for imposing conditions before agreeing to attend an emergency Arab summit proposed by Morocco's King Hassan.

WTI prices have been under downward pressure since President Bush's Nov. 8 news conference, when he announced the dispatch of an additional 150,000 troops to Saudi Arabia.

Traders interpreted the move as meaning there would not be any U.S. offensive until the troops had arrived and settled in sometime after the end of the year.

The result was the market focused on supply-demand fundamentals at a time when Saudia Arabia said it was increasing output and U.S. crude supplies rose for a second straight week after seven weeks of declines, said Nauman Barakat, vice president of Merrill Lynch Futures Inc., New York.

The December WTI contract expires Monday. With supplies of world crude more than ample, traders have been anticipating that once the $30 level was breached, the contract might fall to $27 a barrel or lower before the end of trading Monday, Barakat said.

On the Merc, December heating oil was down 2.25 cents on the day and 5.82 cents on the week at 84.42 cents a gallon.

Unleaded gasoline fell 2.53 cents to 77.63 cents a gallon, 10.6 cents less than the previous Friday.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent lost $1.35 on the day and $4.35 on the week, closing at $30.20 a barrel.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - declined $1.30 to $26.15 a barrel, a drop of $3.30 on the week.

Three refiners - Conoco Inc., the Houston subsidiary of Du Pont; Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp.; and Sun Co., of Radnor, Pa. - reduced the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead. Conoco and Marathon cut their prices by $1.50 to $28.50 a barrel for WTI, while Sun lowered the price by $1.40 to $28.65 a barrel.

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(NOV. 16) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week
By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Nov 16, 1990	59	242	1300	628	238	2166
Nov 9, 1990	63	361	1181	756	231	2168
Nov 17, 1989	161	153	1014	819	283	2116
Nov 18, 1988	38	133	560	1295	303	2158

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(correcting net changes)

NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending November 16:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	375.22	371.23	371.23	up 4.12
20 Trans	227.56	223.47	223.44	up 7.09
40 Utils	143.93	140.33	140.78	off 1.94
40 Fncl	22.53	22.21	22.23	up 1.04
500 Stock	320.40	317.02	317.12	up 3.38

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.67	9.30
Anchor Fund Inv	13.79	14.63
Delaware Mutual	16.73	17.94
Fidelity Fund	16.11	16.11
Investor Mutual	10.89	11.46
Investor Stocks	17.95	18.89
Investor Select	8.41	8.85
IDS Equity Plus	8.66	9.11
MFS Growth Stk	8.19	8.83
Nicholas Income	3.06	3.06
Utd Accumulated	6.06	6.62
United Income	16.45	17.98
Vang Wellington	16.14	16.14

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(NOV. 16) UPI - Largest net changes amoung NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended November 16, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6125	up 100
GEICO	147 7/8	up 14 1/8
Pitney Bowes pf	150	up 13
Woolworth pfA	160	up 10
Enron Corp pf	203 3/8	off 8 1/2
Capital Cities	397	up 7 1/4
Pioneer Fin pf	13 3/4	off 7 1/4
McKessson pf	95	up 7
Wells Fargo	55 5/8	up 6 1/4
Atl Rich pfC	307 1/8	off 6 1/8
Benificial pfC	188 1/2	up 6
Utd Tele pfA	55 1/4	off 6
Conseco Inc	25 1/2	up 5 7/8
Alleghany Corp	82	up 5 1/2
Loews Corp	92 5/8	up 5 1/8
Great Atl Pac	38 1/4	off 5
Time Warner	79 7/8	up 4 7/8
Schlumberger	54	off 4 3/4
Pioneer Fin	5 7/8	off 4 3/4
Racal Telecom	55	up 4 3/4

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#90320u1875 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 16) UPI - The five senators accused of trading their political influence for campaign contributions from an S-and-L chief went on the offensive today with often impassioned proclamations of their innocence. The Senate ethics Committee's hearings on the so-called ''Keating Five'' heard special counsel Robert Bennett indicate today that Republican John McCain of Arizona and Democrat John Glenn of Ohio be exonerated.

In what is likely to be his only appearance before the panel, cancer- stricken Democrat Alan Cranston of California said the entire Senate- quoting now- ''had better run for cover'' if the charges stand. Cranston said he did NOT engage in unethical conduct, ''broke NO law,'' ''broke NO Senate rule'' and never sought special favors for any of his constituents. The committee counsel charged that Cranston solicited campaign contributions in exchange for elaborate efforts to help Charles Keating Junior, who headed the S-and-L involved in the biggest failure yet... a two-BILLION-dollar loss.

A special Soviet envoy today joined the growing chorus of calls for patience

in the Persian Gulf to give Iraq time to withdraw from Kuwait without bloodshed. But special envoy Yevgeny Primakov said in an interview that if the U-N Security Council authorizes the use of force, the multi-national force should move immediately.

The International Monetary Fund announced today that it is going to provide emergency financial relief to its member states most seriously hurt by the Persian Gulf crisis. The I-M-F says the relief will be designed to help member states overcome what are termed ''unexpected shocks.''

A woman testified in an Alexandria, Virginia, courtroom that she was ''scared to death'' when the gun-toting son of Interior Secretary Lujan picked her apartment lock with a bobby pin and raped her. The 48-year-old woman said she had been drinking with 28-year-old Robert Jeff Lujan but never agreed to have sex with him. After today's hearing, Alexandria City Judge Robert Colby denied a defense request to release the younger Lujan from jail. He has been held since another judge revoked his bond yesterday.

The official Hungarian news agency reports that Hungary will dismantle its surface-to-surface missiles by next spring in a unilateral move. A Hungarian defense ministry spokesman is quoted as saying the action will save the nation about 690-Million dollars and will help reduce the threat of war in the region.

The manager of the pop duo Milli Vanilli says the two will be at a news conference early next week in Los Angeles to reveal the names of the singers whose voices made them world famous. Milli Vanilli's manager says Charles Shaw was one of the unknown vocalists who were used on the debut album ''Girl You Know It's True.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Stocks gained this week as the market finally got the interest rate cut it had hoped for to aid the faltering economy.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 5.20 Friday to end the week at 2550.25. It added 61.64 for the week, or 2.47 percent.

Among broader market indexes, Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 3.38 to end the week at 317.12 and the New York Stock Exchange composite index added 2.13 to end the week at 173.30.

Advances led declines 1,300-628 among the 2,166 NYSE issues traded this week. Weekly Big Board volume totaled 996,109,470 shares, compared with 915,361,058 a week earlier and 884,810,840 shares a year ago.

The Federal Reserve, at its regular Tuesday meeting, decided to add another quarter-point to the quarter-point cut it made in short-term interest rates

two weeks ago after the enactment of the budget package, which sent stocks higher this week.

But technical factors kept the rate artificially high at times during the week so the Fed was unable to signal its intentions to the markets until Friday. As a result, the market seesawed over five sessions.

When short-term rates came down and the central bank was able to communicate its easier credit policy to investors Friday, the bond market rallied but stocks greeted the news with a yawn.

''I think we spent the better part of the last two weeks pricing the event into the market,'' said Hugh Johnson, chief economist at First Albany Corp. in Albany, N.Y. ''I don't know when I've seen as widely anticipated an event.''

Johnson attributed the two down days during the week to fears that the Fed might not cut rates, when the technical factors clouded the picture.

''There were on occasion jitters because the signals were ambiguous and the view that the Fed might not ease started to gain acceptance,'' said Johnson.

He also said he expected the market to get fuel for gains next week from Friday's news that inflation rose at a slightly lower rate in October than in the preceding months.

''It was better than expected whether you exclude or include oil and if you exclude it inflation was up only 0.3 percent,'' said Johnson. ''This has made some feel that concerns about inflation may have been overstated. Some are even beginning to expect the next easing, maybe by the end of December or early January.''

The easing of inflation makes it possible for the Fed to cut rates and shore up the economy while retaining its image as an inflation fighter, Johnson argued.

If the Fed can rescue the economy with lower rates, analysts say, the market may be primed for a rally fueled by all the cash that has accumulated on the sidelines during the decline this fall.

''Money managers have built up substantial cash reserves and, given any good news, maybe we're going to come out of this in good shape, money is going to come into the market,'' said Jeff Kaminsky, head of institutional sales trading at Mabon, Nugent & Co.

''So in financial stocks (which have taken a beating because of fears of a recession) and cyclical issues (those that rise and fall with the fortunes of the economy), you're seeing bargain-hunting,'' he said. ''The stocks seeing interest are those that have been oversold.''

On the trading floor this week, IBM was the most active issue, up 3 3/8 to 113 5/8. It unveiled a portable version of its PS-2 personal computer.

The Limited followed, up 1/8 to 14 3/4. Alcan Aluminum was third, up 1/4 to 17 1/2 in dividend-related trading.

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LIMA, Peru (NOV. 16) UPI - President Alberto Fujimori said Friday his government will form an autonomous, high-level civilian organization to combat illegal drug trafficking in the Upper Huallaga Valley, the world's highest-yielding area for the coca leaves used to make cocaine.

Fujimori said in a news conference at the government palace that the proposed anti-drug group would include members of non-governmental organizations, journalists, investigators and others specializing in the subject of narcotics trafficking.

He said the plan will also count on strong input from police and military, and stands to ''restore the law and order in the cocaine zones.''

Peru produces 60 percent of the world's coca leaves, the raw ingredient in cocaine.

The Peruvian president said the anti-drug effort would be in place before the end of the year, and would be aimed at combatting ''in the most drastic form possible'' the corruption that arises from narcotics trafficking.

Fujimori also said he hoped to create ''a great front of (cocaine) producing and consuming countries to consolidate, once and for all, the fight against narcotics trafficking.

''Peru, even if it is not responsible for the wave of narcotics trafficking, is going to assume a key responsibility before the international community in the fight against this pestilence,'' Fujimori said.

The president said he was concerned that his new policy ''be well understood abroad and that it eliminates the frequent misunderstandings that have arisen between producing and consuming countries of cocaine.''

Many South American leaders, including former Peruvian President Alan Garcia, have in the past resisted U.S. government efforts to use military forces to combat drug traffickers on their own turf.

Those leaders and others in the region frequently argue the illegal drug trade arose to meet market demands in the United States, and that consumers are as

much to blame for the international problem.

Fujimori said Ann Wroblesky, former undersecretary of narcotics affairs for the State Department, would work as an adviser to his government in the country's fight against drug trafficking.

The president said there was no reason to refuse the desires of peasant farmers who grow coca leaves. The farmers have consistently demanded monetary compensation and aid programs in exchange for switching crops.

He reiterated a campaign promise to combat poverty as a way of attacking the nation's problems of drug trafficking and guerrilla warfare.

''As long as there is not a solution to poverty in this country, the problem of narco-trafficking, of subversion or of delinquency will continue, and it may get worse,'' Fujimori said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - In a dramatic close to the prosecution's case, the jury Friday viewed a second videotaped confession made by one of two youths in the Central Park rape trial in which he claims the gang considered killing the woman jogger.

''Steve said, 'We're going to kill her so she can't identify us,''' recalled Kharey Wise, 18, who is on trial with Kevin Richardson, 16, on charges of attempted murder and rape.

The comments were part of his second videotaped statement made April 21, 1989, just days after the Central Park ''wilding'' attack.

Wise said the 30-year-old investment banker was lying naked and bleeding after being attacked by the gang, which included Richardson, Steven Lopez, 16, Yusef Salaam, 16, and others.

He said Lopez was punching the unconscious woman in the face.

''Me and Yusef tellin' Steve, 'Yo Steve, let her go man! We don't want no dead body on our hands... Let her live,'' Wise said on the videotape.

Wise admitted ''playing'' with the woman's legs while she was being gang raped and holding down her legs ''for 5 seconds'' as Lopez had intercourse with her.

Although he also described Richardson raping her, punching her and ''going wild'' on her, the jury heard none of the statements about the co-defendant. At each mention of Richardson, the name was bleeped out and a black dot placed over Wise's mouth to prevent lip reading.

A videotaped confession by Richardson was similarly censored in accordance with state law preventing co-defendants on trial together from implicating one another.

In the first trial stemming from the April 19, 1989, attack, Salaam, Antron McCray and Raymond Santana, all 16, were convicted of raping and beating the woman. Each is serving a 5-to-10-year sentence in a juvenile jail.

Lopez will be tried alone next year.

After the startling videotape was played, Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer rested the prosecution's case.

Richardson's lawyer, Howard Diller, opened his case by calling one of his two character witnesses.

Fernley Murray, 54, one of Richardson's teachers, testified that the defendant was a ''caring'' person who was not prone to violence.

Diller is expected to call the second witness, a neighbor, Claudette Mitchell, when the trial resumes on Monday.

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(NOV. 16) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock				
Anthony Industries Inc	..	5PC	12-28	12-3
GNW Financial Corp	..	15PC	12-28	11-26
Increased				
First Hawaiian Inc	Q	.23	12-14	11-30
Fluke (John) Mfg	Q	.10	1-18	12-28
General Electric Co	Q	.51	1-25	12-7
Metro Bancshares Inc	Q	.12	12-7	11-26
Student Loan Mktg	Q	.20	12-21	12-7
Trustmark Corp	Q	.25 3/4	12-14	11-30
Usual				
Barnes Group Inc	Q	.35	12-7	11-29
Broad National Bancorp	S	.29	12-14	11-30
Hewlett-Packard Co	Q	.10 1/2	1-16	12-26
Home Depot Inc	Q	.03	12-14	11-30
Intl Multifoods Corp	Q	.29 1/2	1-15	12-28
Limited Inc	Q	.06	12-18	12-7

Loctite Corp	Q	.30	1-2	12-7
Madison Gas & Electric	Q	.65	12-15	12-1
Manufacturers Natl Cp	Q	.58	12-21	11-30
Newport Corp	Q	.04	12-14	11-30
NS Group Inc	Q	.03	12-28	11-30
Pacific Telesis Group	Q	.50 1/2	2-1	12-31
Reynolds Metals Co	Q	.45	12-28	11-30
South Jersey Indus	Q	.36	1-2	12-10
Southwest Airlines	Q	x-.02 1/2	12-20	12-5
Texas Instruments Inc	Q	.18	1-28	12-31
Transamerica Incm Shrs	M	.18	12-15	11-30
Varian Associates	Q	.06 1/2	2-1	1-21
Weirton Steel Corp	Q	.16	12-15	12-1
Whitman Corp	Q	.26 1/2	1-1	12-7
Williams Cos	Q	.35	12-24	11-30

x-Company corrected amount a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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(NOV. 16) UPI - President and Mrs. Bush are on their way to Czechoslovakia to open an eight-day, 16-thousand-mile trip to Europe and the Persian Gulf, where they will be have Thanksgiving dinner with American troops in Saudi Arabia. Bush left Washington, D-C, this evening... headed for a welcome tomorrow morning in Prague, Czechoslovakia. Bush will be the first U-S president ever to visit the former East Bloc nation.

The Senate ethics committee ended its second day of hearings on the so-called ''Keating Five'' case... a day of often impassioned defenses by the five senators who allegedly sold their influence for campaign funds. Ethics committee special counsel Robert Bennett closed his opening statements, suggesting that Democrat John Glenn of Ohio and Republican John McCain of Arizona be exonerated. He said Democrats Alan Cranston of California, Dennis DeConcini of Arizona and Donald Riegle of Michigan actively sought contributions from Charles Keating Junior... the head of the S-and-L involved in the biggest failure of the thrift crisis.

NASA was allowed to lift a little of the black-out curtain off the shuttle Atlantis mission today... enough to announce that the ship will return to Earth on Monday at Edwards Air Force Base. One report says the four-men military crew of the shuttle already has accomplished the main goal of the flight... the launch of a spy satellite over the Persian Gulf.

Economists report that the Federal Reserve is moving to lower interest rates by cutting its federal funds rate on inter-bank loans. That word today came on the heels of a Labor Department report that consumer inflation eased somewhat in October. Retail prices climbed six- tenths of one percent after two

consecutive months of eight-tenths of one percent hikes.

Deposed Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega made his first public statement today since he was brought to the United States to stand trial on drug charges. Noriega pleaded with a federal judge in Miami to allow him to keep his defense attorneys, who have asked to withdraw from the case because Noriega canNOT pay them. Noriega charged during an 18-minute speech that the U-S government is perpetuated a ''sham'' by freezing his assets, thereby preventing him from paying his lawyers.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Donald J. Trump's lavish Taj Mahal casino is to make a brief passage through bankruptcy court so a $675 million casino bond issue can be restructured, financial advisers to the casino's bondholders said Friday.

The restructuring was announced following the developer's default on a $47.25million interest payment.

Trump endorsed the deal, reached in marathon overnight negotiations with lawyers and advisers to the bond investors.

But at a news conference in his Plaza Hotel, Trump was reluctant to associate himself closely with the bankruptcy of part of his $3 billion empire.

''It was a long, hard negotiation, and I think it's going to be really very beneficial for everybody,'' Trump said.

''The Taj Mahal is caught in a huge recession - maybe the word is depression '' he said. ''When we come out of the recession, I think the (casino revenue) numbers are going to be just absolutely huge.''

Despite his current woes, Trump concluded, ''I think that things are going well for me. I think they're going better than for most.''

Trump, burdened with heavy debts and inadequate cash flow from his casino and real estate properties, failed to make the million interest payment on the first mortgage bonds due at midnight Thursday. As the deadline fell, Trump and his bondholders haggled over what price he should pay.

In the end, Trump gave up 50 percent of the equity in the Atlantic City, N.J., casino to investors holding the $675 million junk-bond issue - but was able to hold onto the other 50 percent and to maintain control of the Taj Mahal.

In return, said financier Wilbur Ross of the Rothschild Inc. investment bank, a key player in the negotiations, the interest rate on the bonds would be

lowered to 12 percent from the current 14 percent. Of that 12 percent, 10 percent must be paid in cash and 2 percent in bonds.

The agreement also extended the bonds' maturity to the year 2000 from 1998. The interest payment missed by Trump would be added to the $675 million principal, Ross said. Trump, as casino operator, will be paid at least $500,000 a year, more if profits are high.

Ross said the bondholders' wanted Trump to continue to be associated with the casino despite his failure to make the payment.

''We believe that part of the assets of the casino, albeit one that we don't have a mortgage on, is Donald Trump. We think that's an important part of the picture. We don't think that he's trying to hurt the bondholders any more than he tried to hurt himself.''

''What we have reached here is a framework for a transaction,'' said attorney Robert Miller of the law firm Berlack, Israels & Lieberman, which represented Taj Mahal bondholders. He said a more formal agreement in principle would be signed soon, with bankruptcy filed in the days to come.

Miller said what would take place is a by dissenting bondholders, who he said might try to force the issue of the default by filing for involuntary bankruptcy.

Incentives were built into the arrangement so that if the Taj Mahal performs well and the bondholders receive the full amount of interest originally due to them, Trump could end up with an 80 percent casino stake.

Trump remains chairman of the casino board of directors and will appoint a majority of the board.

But Miller said bondholders will have a ''very large say'' in the operation of the casino. Trump must meet a number of provisions as to the management of the casino, mainly in holding down operating costs.

Questioned by reporters, Trump declined to describe the transaction as a bankrupcty. ''We've come to an agreement where we'll all just come together,'' he said, adding later: ''I'm just very happy that it worked out.''

Miller was more explicit. ''We do envision that this will go through a bankruptcy, but, as we've emphasized previously, what we're hoping for is that we could do it in a consensual, controlled proceeding, something that we think can be done fairly quickly and handily,'' he said.

Miller did not set a date for the Chapter 11 filing but said that, once that step has been taken, he believed the Taj Mahal would be able to emerge from bankruptcy by early 1991.

Asked how long the bankruptcy proceeding would last, Trump seemed at pains to avoid using the offending word. ''We envision maybe three or four weeks if the process (of bankruptcy) is used - and I don't think that has been finally determined. Three or four weeks, maybe eight weeks,'' he said.

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(NOV. 16) UPI - President Bush is off on a historic trip... eight days and 16- thousand miles. During the journey, Bush will become the first American president to visit to Czechoslovakia and will be signing a treaty that officially ends the Cold War.

On Thanksgiving Day, Bush will have dinner with American troops in Saudi Arabia... accompanied by his wife Barbara and the bi-partisan leaders of Congress... House Speaker Tom Foley and Minority Leader Robert Michel... and Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell and G-O-P chief Robert Dole.

Deposed Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega pleaded with a federal judge in Miami today to allow him to retain his defense lawyers, who have asked to withdraw from the case because they haven't been paid. Noriega wants the government to unfreeze his bank accounts.

The five senators known as the ''Keating Five'' launched often impassioned defenses of themselves in the second day of hearings by the Senate ethics committee. The committee is looking into allegations that the senators sold their influence to a failed S-and-L chief.

As Bush left the White House, officials announced that he vetoed an unacceptable a bill aimed at combatting the proliferation of chemical and biological weapons. At the same time, Bush issued an executive order imposing his own controls on potentially dangerous U-S chemicals.

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Financial advisers to the bond-holders of Donald Trump's Taj Mahal resort in Atlantic City say the casino will make a brief visit to bankruptcy court to allow for the re-structing of a 675-Million-dollar bond issue. Trump defaulted on a 47-Millin-dollar interest payment last night.

The government says consumer inflation eased slightly in October. The Labor Department says retail prices climbed six-tenths of one percent in the month... down from the eight-tenths of one percent rises in September and August.

The nation's trade deficit improved in September. The Commerce Department says the trade red ink declined three-point-three percent, despite oil prices that soared because of the Persian Gulf crisis.

The four-man crew of the shuttle Atlantis celebrated the 40th birthday of astronaut Carl Meade and reportedly accomplished their main goal on the secret mlitary flight... the launch of a spy satellite over the Persian Gulf.

President Boris Yeltsin of the Russian Republic upstaged Soviet President Gorbachev, calling for a vote of NO- confidence in the central government in Moscow.

The Social Democratic mayor of West Berlin says he will stay in office until a December 2nd election, despite the collapse of his coalition with a branch of the left-leaning Greens party. The coalition collapsed in a disagreement over police action during riots earlier this week.

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#90320u2272 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

SAN DIEGO (NOV. 16) UPI - Marine Corps Commandant Alfred M. Gray told a military gathering Friday he plans to double the Marine presence in the Persian Gulf region.

The nation's highest-ranking Marine also said reports of low U.S. troop morale in the Middle East are ''hogwash'' and added that his soldiers are in good spirits because ''we issued a memorandum to that effect.''

Gray, who has recently been spoofed in the comic strip ''Doonesbury,'' bellowed in a luncheon speech, ''There ain't no damn problem with morale...That's just an effort by some to blow this whole thing out of proportion.''

The four-star general told a gathering of the U.S. Navy League that 90 percent of the country's 196,000 Marines will be sent to bases around the globe over the next few weeks.

Most, if not all, of the additional troops are expected to join forces already in Saudi Arabia, Gray said. At present, more than 45,000 Marines are reportedly in the gulf area.

Meanwhile, the Pentagon announced Friday an additional 15,000 Marine and Army Reserve and National Guard troops are being activated, increasing to more than 50,000 the number of guard and reserve units called to full-time duty.

The new activations include roughly 14,000 Army National Guard and reserve troops and 1,000 Marine reservists. The call up includes tank units and medical corps personnel.

Last month, while visiting troops in Saudi Arabia, Gray went on a blistering counter-offensive against reports that many Marines were frustrated by the ongoing desert standoff.

''My Marines will not be bored,'' Gray told the troops. ''There will be no morale problems in the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force because I say there will be (high) morale.''

Those remarks spawned a number of stateside jokes. In the past two weeks, ''Doonesbury'' cartoonist Gary Trudeau has lampooned a Gray-like commander who tells haggard soldiers, ''Any talk about morale problems is pure poppycock!''

At Friday's luncheon, Gray admitted that some soldiers may have complained about inactivity but he said the media was to blame for blowing those complaints out of proportion.

''Who the hell ever heard of being bored when you're a reservist in a combat situation?'' he told the luncheon crowd of 600 military personnel and their families.

''There is no morale problem, and there won't be,'' he added, drawing a round of applause from the crowd. ''We issued a memorandum to that effect.''

Asked after the speech if he was distressed by the ''Doonesbury'' portrayal, Gray smiled and said, ''There are two things I've learned in Washington. Number one, never lose your sense of humor. And number two, never let anybody steal it.''

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#90320u2284 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) UPI - President Bush Friday vetoed as unacceptable a bill to combat the proliferation of chemical and biological weapons - and then promptly imposed his own controls.

Bush said while he supports the goals of the legislation passed by Congress, the measure, as written, would interfere with his ability to conduct foreign policy and might damage the multinational build-up against Saddam Hussein.

Therefore, Bush said he declared a national emergency and issued an executive order to control the flow of potential dangerous U.S. chemicals in what he said would be a more effective fashion.

He ordered Secretary of States James Baker and Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher to use existing powers to ban exports that they determine would assist foreign nations to produce chemical or biological weapons.

The president also directed the imposition of sanctions against foreign countries that produce, stockpile or use biological or chemical weapons in violation of international law.

Bush said the ''major flaw'' in the measure passed by Congress is not the sanctions it would level against violators, but the ''rigid way in which they are imposed.''

''The mandatory imposition of unilateral sanctions as provided in this bill would harm U.S. economic interests and provoke friendly countries who are essential to our efforts to resist Iraqi aggression,'' Bush said.

''If there is one lesson we have learned in Operation Desert Shield, it is that multilateral support enhances the effectiveness of sanctions, '' he said.

The White House announced the veto and executive order just minutes after Bush departed Washington for an eight-day visit to Europe and the Persian Gulf, where he was to consult with allies about their showdown against Iraq.

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#90320u2305 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 16) UPI - Warm breezes brought another day of Indian summer to the East Friday, while a cold front cutting across the nation's midsection whipped up blustery winds, scattered showers and chilly temperatures.

Southerly winds pushed temperatures into the 60s and 70s along the East Coast, breaking records in 12 cities, the National Weather Service said. It also was a warm day in the Southwest and along the gulf coast, with readings in the 70s and 80s.

Strong northerly winds behind the Pacific cold front ushered more seasonable temperatures into much of the central United States.

Light showers developing along the cold front extended from Lake Ontario through Kentucky to southern Arkansas.

Blustery northwest winds behind the cold front prevailed from the southern High Plains to the upper Great Lakes region. Gale warnings were in effect for Lake Huron and Lake Erie.

Temperatures were in the 50s and 60s in the Midwest, and the 40s in the Plains Rockies and Northwest.

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#90320u2319 11/16/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 17) UPI - A possible strike against the three largest

newspapers in the San Francisco Bay Area was averted when unions ''stopped the clock'' Friday, reporting significant progress in negotiations.

Representatives meeting with managers of the San Francisco Chronicle, San Francisco Examiner and San Jose Mercury News said they postponed the planned 5 p.m. deadline because both sides appeared to be negotiating in good faith.

''This means it will be 6 p.m. until we have a settlement or a strike,'' said Larry Hatfield, an Examiner reporter and a Newspaper Guild International vice president, who said contract talks would continue, possibly round-the-clock, as long as progress is being made.

Some 4,500 employees represented by 10 labor unions are affected by contract talks with the Chronicle, San Francisco Examiner and San Jose Mercury News, said Doug Cuthbertson, executive officer of the San Francisco-Oakland Newspaper Guild.

The Guild represents more than 1,000 editors, writers and columnists at the newspapers, as well as truck drivers, advertising and production personnel, he said.

But economic issues remained on the table, including wage hikes and health insurance payments.

The initial offer by management called for no increases in salary, while the guild demanded a 20 percent wage hike in the first year of a multi-year pact.

Top scale journalists at the paper earn $41,200 annually.

On Friday, many reporters and columnists withheld bylines to protest the slow movement of negotiations.

Dawn Garcia, a union spokeswoman and reporter at the San Francisco Chronicle, said it was the first time in Chronicle history that bylines had been withheld in a show of protest by reporters.

Workers have been without a contract for about nine months, the longest they have gone without one in 20 years.

Jesse Knight, vice president of marketing for the San Francisco Newspaper Agency, which was negotiating with the Chronicle, Examiner and Agency employees, said almost all of the non-economic issues have been settled.

Cuthbertson confirmed that most non-economic issues with members of the Teamsters Union at the newspapers were settled. Negotiations had finally turned to wages, but they were just beginning.

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#90320u2338 11/16/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 16) UPI - Within hours, President Bush will mark a historic occasion and become the first American chief executive to visit Czechoslovakia. Bush will visit Prague on the first stop of his eight-day, 16-thousand- mile trip to Europe and the Persian Gulf region. Along the way, Bush will sign a treaty that officially ends the Cold War and another to reduce conventional forces in Europe.

Before leaving Washington, Bush vetoed a bill aimed at blocking the spread of chemical and biological weapons and promptly imposed his own controls on the flow of potentially dangerous U-S chemicals. Bush said the measure passed by Congress, as written, would hamper his ability to conduct foreign policy and might damage the multi-national build-up in the Persian Gulf.

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Amateur sky-watchers apparently have spotted the secret spy satellite carried into space on the top-secret Atlantis mission. The five-men military crew on the shuttle reportedly launched the satellite during the night. One sky-watcher says an associate spotted the Atlantis and the satellite this evening. NASA announced that the shuttle will return to Earth on Monday at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

An ultra-Orthodox religious party joined the ruling right-wing coalition government headed by Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir in Israel. Shamir thus picked up four more votes and now controls 64 members of the 120-seat Israeli parliament. In exchange for joining the coalition, the party get support for religious legislation that includes a ban on pork sales and suggestive advertising.

American officials asked two prominent activists holed up in the U-S Embassy in Swaziland to leave the mission. Officials say facilities are inadequate to host the squatters. The pledged to monitor the human rights situation in the tiny mountainous kingdom that borders South Africa. The two took refuge in a reception room at the embassy over fears they would be detained by authorities at the same time U-S Ambassador Stephen Rogers was presenting his credentials to the Swaziland monarch.

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#90320x1193 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
SANTA MONICA, CA (NOV. 16) UPI - A mistrial has been declared in the drunken

driving trial of former ''Taxi'' cast member Jeff Conaway, who seriously injured a bicyclist while allegedly driving under the influence, court officials said Friday.

Superior Court Judge Sara K. Radin declared the mistrial Thursday afternoon after the jury, which had deliberated 1 1/2-days, said it was hopelessly deadlocked 8-4 for acquittal.

The District Attorney's Office will announce in several weeks whether it will seek to re-try Conaway on the charges.

Conaway, 40, who lives in the Hollywood Hills, was arrested Feb. 23 by Beverly Hills police after his car allegedly struck a bicyclist.

The bicyclist, Farid Farhan, 31, suffered a broken leg and required 15 stitches for a cut on the back of his head.

Prosecutors said Conaway's blood-alcohol content was .15, nearly twice the legal limit of .08. Prosecutors said the actor told police that a ''phantom hit-and-run motorist'' had struck the bicyclist.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Wire Service Guild members at United Press International voted by a majority of 62 percent to take a 35 percent wage cut for a period of 90 days to keep the news wire service viable while management attempts to sell all or part of the company, it was announced Friday.

The vote was announced by Kevin Keane, president of the union at its Manhattan headquarters. WSG represents UPI's editorial staff, photo technicians and some office personnel. The weekly salary of top scale newspersons will be reduced from $690 to $448 beginning Saturday.

''Through the vote our members demonstrated a willingness to make another huge sacrifice to keep UPI alive,'' Keane said.

Pieter VanBennekom, UPI vice president for editorial operations, hailed the employes' action.

''Given the extremely tough circumstances in which we are working, this is a courageous and responsible act by journalists who want to support each other and who hope to see UPI restored.

''The officers of the Wire Service Guild have our thanks for having conducted this important referendum so quickly and even-handedly. This gives us the time to fine a new home for UPI.''

A management statement issued immediately after the vote was announced said that more than 12 organizations have expressed preliminary interest in purchasing all or part of UPI, double the number announced at the beginning of the month. The potential buyers were not identified.

Management said earlier this month that it would file for Chapter 7 bankruptcy and liquidate the company if the union did not submit the wage cut proposal to UPI workers, or if employes rejected the pay cut.

The WSG Executive Committee agreed to the vote but said it recommended against acceptance. The union is part of the Washington- based Newspaper Guild, an affiliate of the AFL-CIO.

Union officials said they feared any new buyer would insist that the 35 percent pay cut continue beyond the 90-day period as part of a purchase agreement.

Ballots on the proposed wage cut were mailed Nov. 6, returnable by Nov. 16. UPI wanted the pay cut to be retroactive to Nov. 4, but union officials refused to accept any wage cut until after the vote.

UPI reduced the salaries of all non-union employes by 35 percent for 90 days Nov. 4 and announced it had rescinded its policy granting severance and notice pay to these employes.

It immediately announced that it was asking Guild members to accept the same pay cut. Severance and notice pay provisions will continue for WSG-covered employes.

''All these drastic measures are necessary to bring UPI immediately to cash flow self-sufficiency and to stabilize the company during the next few months to be able to effect a sale of UPI in the shortest possible order,'' VanBennekom said at the time.

''To bring the process to a successful conclusion, we need the breathing space these measures will provide,'' VanBennekom added.

Keane said it was now up to management to find buyers who understand how to channel employes' journalistic talent and energy into a profitable news agency.

''Our members are angry about the reckless way in which a series of management teams have tainted UPI's proud name,'' Keane said. ''Employes want new owners who will show a commitment to UPI's jouirnalistic traditions and a commmitment to the employes who have given so much of themselves in the name of UPI.''

UPI is 99 percent owned by Infotechnology Inc. of New York. Infotech and Financial News Network Inc., of which Infotech has a 47 percent stake, said in late October that they were considering sale of ''some or all'' of their

businesses because they were unable to meet operating expenses or cover payments on $70.2 million in bank debt.

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Chapter 11 filing permits reorganization. Liquidation of UPI could be achieved by filing for Chapter 7, which provides for conversion of assets into cash or a closing of a business by collecting assets and settling all debts.

UPI was founded as United Press in 1907 by E.W. Scripps, a newspaper chain owner, as a challenge to Associated Press' policy of selling to only one newspaper in cities with more than one paper.

As a Scripps-Howard property, UP rapidly established bureaus worldwide and at one time was the leading news wire service globally, pioneering coverage in South America and the Far East.

It merged with Hearst's International News Service in 1958, becoming United Press International.

Scripps-Howard sold UPI in 1982 to Douglas Ruhe and William Geissler. Control was given by the bankruptcy court to Vazquez Rana who sold it to Infotech in early 1989.

What could have been UPI's last Friday was also compounded by a widespread service outage. A construction crew cut a major cable serving a satellite ground station in Alexandria, Va., interrupting much of UPI's service for almost six hours. The problem delayed transmission of news of the vote.

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CORNING, N.Y. (NOV. 16) UPI - Corning Inc. Friday announced a corporate reorganization that includes the replacement of three group presidents with a single chief operating offieder, and the conversion of the company's laboratory services businesses into a separate entity.

The world's leading specialty glass manufacturer said Roger G. Ackerman, 52, will be president and chief operating officer, replacing three group presidents who have been in place since 1983.

Ackerman, who has been with the company 28 years, has directed its specialty materials businesses since 1985 as a group president.

The laboratory services businesses will be established as a new free- standing wholly owned subisidiary, to be called Corning Laboratory Services Inc. Its chairman and chief executive officer will be E. Martin Gibson, 52.

Gibson has also been with Corning 28 years and has been a group president since 1983. He remains on the Corning board of directors.

The new company consists of four existing Corning subsidiaries: MetPath Inc. of Teterboro, N.J.; Hazelton Corp. of Herndon, Va.; Enseco Inc. of Somerset, N.J., and Besselaar Associates of Princeton, N.J. A headquarters location has yet to be chosen.

The company's industrial glass and ceramics businesses will be organized into three new groups, each headed by a new executive vice president.

Board chairman James Houghton said the moves do not change the activities of the company in its four major segments: specialty materials, communications, laboratory services, and consumer products.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) _ Exporters have completed the sale of 111,760 metric tons of corn to Japan, the No. 1 market for U.S. farm exports, the Agriculture Department reported Friday.

The sale was worth about $9.9 million, based on Chicago prices.

There are 39.4 bushels of corn in a metric ton of 2,204.6 pounds, so the sale called for delivery of 4.4 million bushels of corn in the coming months.

Japan was forecast to buy a record $8.3 billion in U.S. agricultural products during fiscal 1990.

With the latest sale, Japan has purchased 3.73 million tons of U.S. corn since the corn marketing year opened last Sept. 1., or 26 percent of the 14.2 million tons that have been sold.

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#90320x4210 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) UPI - President Bush signed Friday a handful of environmental-related bills he said would protect ''some of the most precious expanses of America,'' including parts of Nevada's Mojave Desert, the Great Lakes and the Florida Keys.

A day after signing historic clean air legislation, the president held a second White House ceremony on the South Lawn to sign into law the more modest pieces of legislation, some to protect regional natural resources and others to promote research and education.

''Several bills that I'm signing this morning will protect some of the most precious expanses of America,'' Bush said. ''Our agenda for the environment is broad and ambitious - one that encompasses not just the air we breath but also verdant forests and grassy meadows, majestic rivers and lakes and pristine coastal shorelines.

''Clearly all of us must work together to preserve America's natural beauty,'' he declared.

Preparing to depart for an eight-day trip to Europe and the Middle East, Bush was flanked by congressmen and administration officials as he placed his signature on the bills, one of which received a bonus presidential thumb print when a pen spouted ink all over his fingers.

The bills that were signed:

_The Antarctic Protection Act of 1990, which protects Antarctica from

unrestrained commercial activity, placing an indefinite ban on U.S. mineral activities there.

_The Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary and Protection Act, which designates 2,600 square nautical miles of coastal waters off the Florida Keys as the United States' ninth national marine sanctuary.

_The Omnibus Natural Resources and Wildlife Program, which among other things establishes two new National Wildlife Refuges - at the 18,000 acre Bayou Cocodrie in Louisiana and the 7,500-acre Walkill River refuge in New Jersey.

_The Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area Establishment Act of 1990, which designates 83,100 acres in southern Nevada's Mojave Desert as a conservation area.

_The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990, which almost triples the size of the existing coastal barrier resource system, adding 818,000 acres and encompassing 1,211 miles of shoreline along the Atlantic, Gulf of Mexico and Great Lakes coasts.

_The National Environmental Education Act, which is designed to enhance learning opportunities for students on the environment through a series of educational programs.

_The Global Change Research Act of 1990, which the administration - under fire for dragging its feet on combatting global warming - hopes will ''help the nation reduce the significant scientific uncertainty'' associated with addressing the problem.

_The Great Lakes Critical Programs Act of 1990, which will provide planning and cleanup activities to clear the Great Lakes in cooperation with Canada, focusing on Lake Champlain.

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(NOV. 16) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Adage Inc (3rd Q 9-30)	
$18,282,000	$20,694,000
$321,000 (.02)	$274,000 (.03)
Babbage's Inc (3rd Q 11-3)	
$25,023,000	$17,070,000
d-$627,000	d-$779,000

d-Deficit.

Brady W H Co (1st Q 10-31)
$49,721,000 $44,979,000
$3,755,000 (.54) $3,842,000 (.55)

Budd Canada (4th Q 9-30)
$50,900,000 $71,600,000
$4,700,000 (1.25) $7,900,000 (2.10)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Circle Express Inc (3rd Q 9-30)
$47,400,000 $52,400,000
d-$2,300,000 d-$2,800,000
d-Deficit.

Conn Natural Gas (3rd Q 9-30)
$29,153,000 $26,747,000
d-$2,726,000 $2,110,000
d-Deficit.

Cross & Trecker (4th Q 9-30)
$104,544,000 $105,584,000
d-$3,138,000 d-$1,027,000
d-Deficit.

Damson Energy (3rd Q 9-30)
$23,151,000 $16,547,000
$316,000 (.01) d-$27,000 (.01)
d-Deficit.

DEB Shops Inc (3rd Q 10-31)
$53,159,355 $49,008,024
$1,914,035 (.12) $1,899,805 (.12)

Dekalb Energy (3rd Q 9-30)
$24,226,000 $19,819,000
$62,000 (.01) $764,000 (.07)

Elsinore Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$16,635,000 $17,609,000
$530,000 (.01) a-$307,000 (.01)
a-Includes $429,000 provision for investment losses.

Frederick's of Hollywood (4th Q 9-1)
$24,067,000 $19,266,000
$1,066,000 (.19) $777,000 (.14)

General Communications (3rd Q 9-30)
$15,965,000 $13,438,000
$175,000 (.01) $590,000 (.04)

Hewlett-Packard (4th Q 9-30)
$3,580,000,000 $3,377,000,000
$202,000,000 (.83) $246,000,000 (1.04)

Hondo Oil & Gas Co (4th Q 9-30)
$94,252,000 $90,659,000
$10,378,000 (.81) $8,851,000 (.69)

Johnson Worldwide Assoc (4th Q 9-28)
$52,281,000 $38,451,000
$340,000 (.04) $646,000 (.08)

Kirschner Medical (3rd Q 9-30)
$15,106,000 $12,814,000
$193,000 (.08) d-$448,000
d-Deficit.

Laclede Gas Co (4th Q 9-30)
$47,707,000 $54,986,000
d-$1,818,000 d-$4,988,000
d-Deficit.

Lexington Precision Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$16,911,000 $16,935,000
d-$1,251,000 d-$605,000
d-Deficit.

Michaels Stores Inc (3rd Q 10-28)
$85,400,000 $72,000,000
$578,000 (.66) $326,000 (.03)

Morgan Keegan Inc (1st Q 10-31)
$21,829,566 $23,129,764
$31,946 (.01) $628,999 (.13)

Pansophic Systems (2nd Q 10-31)
$51,189,000 $48,381,000
$2,931,000 (.16) $4,727,000 (.25)

Republic Waste (3rd Q 9-30)
$15,997,000 $3,467,000
$900,000 (.08) $2,921,000 (.81)

Slater Industries (3rd Q 9-30)

$92,837,000	$87,566,000
d-$1,200,000	$932,000 (.11)

d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Sparton Corp (1st Q 9-30)

$51,949,314	$32,123,548
d-$463,514	d-$3,117,404

d-Deficit.

Unitrode Corp (3rd Q 10-27)

$31,075,297	$37,297,070
$411,977 (.03)	$243,994 (.02)

Woodhead Industries (4th Q 9-29)

$17,130,000	$17,030,000
$1,319,000 (.42)	$1,125,000 (.35)

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) UPI - The Federal Reserve acted to lower interest rates Friday by taking steps to slash its federal funds rate on interbank loans to about 7.5 percent from 7.75 percent, economists said Friday.

Lower rates on consumer and business loans and mortgages are expected to follow the Fed's latest move, the third such modest cut since mid- July.

Sam Kahan, chief economist at Fuji Securities in Chicago, described the Fed action as an attempt to give a boost to ''the weak economy,'' and also said there are indications that the core rate of inflation, excluding surging oil prices, may be easing.

''There may be good times ahead on the inflation front,'' Kahan said, noting housing and service sector costs appear to be heading downward as the economy falters.

But Robert Dieli, an economist at Northern Trust in Chicago, said the Fed's action appeared to be very subtle.

''They're being real coy about it,'' he said. ''They want to do it in a way that's going to get them the most bang for the buck. I don't think they feel the time is right for the big push right now.''

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LONDON (NOV. 16) UPI - Stock prices closed slightly higher in sluggish

trading Friday on the London International Stock Exchange.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 14.0 points Thursday, added another 8.0 points to 2,068.0. The narrower top 30 industrial average gained 15.2 points to 1,614.8.

Volume amounted to around 345 million shares, down from 415 million shares Thursday.

A breakdown of the Seaq system, which supplies quotes and volumes, caused widespread confusion late in the trading session, market watchers noted. The system was restored just before the closing bell.

Analysts said stocks were buoyed by a public opinion poll that showed the ruling Conservative Party doing better than previously expected whatever the outcome of Tuesday's leadership contest between Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Michael Heseltine, a former defense minister.

On the economic front, the Central Statistical Office reported Britain's retail price index rose 0.9 percent in October and was up 10.9 percent on the year.

Analysts said the report failed to dampen investors' enthusiasm, but the Bank of England's warning of a prolonged recession undermined sentiment.

Economists said inflation should peak with the October report. It was the second consecutive month that inflation stood at 10.9 percent on an annual basis, the highest level in more than eight years.

Last month's cut in interest rates and lower gas prices are expected to take the annual rate to below 10 percent in November, analysts said.

However, the underlying inflation rate, which excludes items such as interest rates and the poll tax _ a new method of local taxation introduced in England and Wales this year _ grew last month.

Despite this, Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major said higher oil prices accounted for the jump and predicted underlying inflation, which many economists believe is a better economic indicator, will soon drop.

''I think it will fall reasonably speedily,'' Major said.

Major said he was ''quite confident'' that the 10.9 percent inflation rate recorded in October represented a peak.

Inflation has been one of the most persistent economic ills in Britain and a political liability to the Conservative government.

To check inflationary pressures, Thatcher's government has adopted the highest interest rates of the Group of Seven leading industrial countries and warned businesses and unions against negotiating high wage settlements.

Among London's widely traded stocks, drug issues took a battering following disappointing results and subsequent downgradings. Wellcome fell 30 cents to $6.99 and Glaxo dropped 20 cents to $14.97.

Major oil companies' share drifted lower on significant decreases in crude future prices. Shell lost 8 cents to $8.25.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices closed slightly higher in quiet trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 14.96 points Thursday, tacked on 4.49 points to 1,425.68.

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VIENNA (NOV. 16) UPI - Negotiators from 32 European nations, the United States and Canada agree in principle on a package of measures designed to enhance confidence and reduce the threat of war, a U.S. official said Friday.

The accord is the product of a months-long process known as the conference on Confidence and Security Building Measures and is expected to be ratified at Monday's European summit in Paris.

''We're very close to coming to closure (on an agreement) that will mandate a new set of confidence and security-building measures,'' John Maresca, the U.S. ambassador to the talks, told a news conference.

''There are some details, secondary issues, that are still open'' but likely to be settled before the summit begins Monday, he said.

The agreements primarily involve the institutionalization of information exchanges on troop movements and other activity that could affect the security of neighboring states.

But negotiators stressed the accord would take the form of a political agreement and would not be legally binding.

The CSBM talks fall under the framework of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, which includes the United States, Canada, the Soviet Union and all European states except Albania.

Maresca said the heart of the accord is an agreement on detailed exchanges of information between military forces on new troop deployments, major new

weapons systems and military budgets. The information will be made available by the participating countries once a year.

Another key provison is a mechanism for alerting neighboring states to unusual military activity and to potentially hazardous incidents. One example cited by negotiators was the crash last summer of a disabled Soviet MiG jet fighter that flew into Belgian airspace after its pilot bailed out over East Germany.

A third section provides for expanded contacts among military organizations in Europe, including visits among military officiers to air bases in other countries.

Stressing that the CSBM talks were a continuing process, Maresca said the negotiations would resume in Vienna within a week after the Paris summit was concluded.

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(NOV. 16) UPI -

Dow Jones Averages - 1 p.m.
30 Indus 2537.62 off 7.43
20 Trans 860.76 off 7.21
15 Utils 207.81 up 0.38
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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

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Noon	369.45	222.35	140.27	22.10	315.63
1 p.m.	369.75	222.79	140.39	22.11	315.88

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:
Gold
London
Previous close fix 379.25 off 5.00

Morning fixing	380.30	up	1.05
Afternoon fixing	376.30	off	2.95
Paris	385.55	up	4.93
Zurich	376.50	off	2.00
Hong Kong	379.75	up	0.80
New York			
Comex spot gold midday	377.10	off	2.00
Handy and Harman	376.30	off	1.70

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 377.59 off 1.70 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 396.47 off 1.78 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot midday silver 4.115 off 0.002

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.11 per fine ounce off 0.055

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.12 off 0.055 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.408 off 0.059

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 422.00 up 8.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 522.00 up 8.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 93.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 108.00 up 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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INDIANAPOLIS (NOV. 16) UPI - Surgeons Friday made the first Midwest implantation of an insulin pump, a Methodist Hospital spokesman said.

The recipient was Geoff Crowe of Zionsville, 29, an insulin-dependent man who has been diabetic since age 4, said spokesman Jon White.

White said Methodist is one of only 10 hospitals nationwide that are implanting the pumps beneath patients' abdominal skin on a trial basis. The pumps deliver insulin by remote control so patients no longer need give themselves periodic shots.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - A magazine report on the ''Forbes Nonprofit 500'' lists several Indiana entities among the top 500 nonprofit institutions in the nation in terms of fiscal 1989 revenues.

The list includes the University of Notre Dame at $279.7 million in revenue, $73.1 million ''excess'' over expenditures and $830.4 million in assets.

In health care, the Indiana institutions listed are:

_ Sisters of St. Francis Health Services with $635 million in revenue, $15.1 million in excess after spending and $439.9 million in assets.

_ Methodist Hospital of Indiana at $400.8 million revenue, $1.1 million exess and $415.3 million in assets.

In funding and administrative agencies, Forbes listed Purdue Research Foundation, but with 1988 figures: $82.5 million in revenue, $4.7 million excess and $68 million in assets.

The article explained that many large nonprofit institutions are missing from its lists because religous groups are not required to report to the Internal Revenue Service. Forbes said many large decentralized organizations with autonomous locals, like the Indianapolis-based American Legion ''do not happen to have large enough headquarters organizations to put them on our list.''

The article said the number of nonprofit institutions in the country rose almost 15 percent during the decade ending in 1987, to 1.3 million. It said many American businesses question why some large competitors enjoy nonprofit tax exemptions.

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MBABANE, SWAZILAND (NOV. 16) UPI - American officials asked two prominent activists holed up at the U.S. Embassy to leave the mission Friday, citing inadequate facilities to host them any longer but pledging to monitor Swaziland's human rights situation.

The two activists sought refuge in the main reception room of the embassy on Thursday over fears they would be detained at nearly the same time as the new U.S. ambasssador, Stephen Rogers, presented his credentials to Swazi King Mswati.

U.S. Embassy spokeswoman Helen Picard said the men were holed up in the 7th floor reception room of the mission, and had stayed overnight.

Police accused the activists of stirring unrest at the University of Swaziland earlier in the week and were reported to have secured 60-day detention without trial orders against them after serious clashes on the campus Wednesday.

''They were never truly welcome guests because we knew this was not a practical option,'' Picard said. ''We don't have a shower, or bath. We don't even have a Coca-Cola machine. ... There's no Marine guard so somebody had to stay all night.''

Sociology lecturer Ray Russon and former university law student Sabelo Dlamini were among 12 activists who stood trial on charges of high treason and membership in the illegal People's United Democratic Movement.

All 12 were acquitted on the treason charges. Russon and Dlamini were among nine found guilty of participating in a political meeting in the tiny mountainous kingdom bordering South Africa. Political parties are banned in the country of 700,000.

Dlamini was freed after the court ruled he already had served his six-month sentence. Russon, sentenced to a year imprisonment, has been freed on bail pending an appeal.

In the wake of the trial, Dlamini was refused readmission to the University of Swaziland and another trialist, Mpandlana Shongwe, was denied the opportunity to resume his position at the Mbabane Teachers Training College.

On Monday, the Student Representatives Council at the university called a boycott of classes over several demands, including the poor quality of food, fees, and the refusal to readmit Dlamini.

Students ignored ultimatums to return to classes and clashed Wednesday with riot police and army troops who entered the campus to enforce a closure order. Several students were reported injured in the clashes, and the university has remained closed.

A U.S. Embassy statement announcing the pair had been asked to leave said officials continued to ''monitor closely a number of human rights concerns in Swaziland,'' including the appeal process of those involved in the treason trial and the university unrest.

''We have assured them that the embassy would continue to follow their case closely, reiterating to the government of Swaziland our concerns over the important human rights issue at stake and making every effort to ensure that those involved receive the full benefit of internationally accepted due process rights,'' it said.

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COMPTON, CA (NOV. 17) UPI - A gang member was sentenced to death Friday for shooting to death a man and a woman during separate robberies in 1987.

Paul Madison Brown, 23, was convicted Sept. 12 of two counts of murder with special circumstance allegations: murder during a robbery and multiple murders.

The conviction qualified him for only two punishments _ life in state prison without the possibility of parole or death in the California gas chamber.

Jurors at the penalty phase of Brown's Superior Court trial rejected a defense plea to spare his life and on Oct. 17 recommended the death sentence.

Superior Court Judge Janice Claire Croft formally imposed that sentence Friday.

Deputy District Attorney Joe Markus said that Brown and another gang member robbed and killed a man who was ordering fast-food through a restaurant take-out window on May 30, 1987.

Two days later, they robbed and killed a woman who they had chased through the streets of Los Angeles, Markus said. The other gang member faces a pending trial for the murders.

Markus said the Brown case marks the first death penalty sentence in the Compton area in several years.

''This sentence will hopefully send a message to gang members to stop committing these types of crimes,'' the prosecutor said.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) UPI - The International Monetary Fund said Friday it has agreed to provide emergency financial relief to member countries that have been most seriously hurt by the Persian Gulf crisis.

''Recent developments in the developments in the Middle East have increased the vulnerability of the world economy and exacerbated the difficulties facing many of the fund's members,'' the international lending agency said.

The agency's executive directors said the relief will be made to help members overcome ''unexpected shocks.''

''Notwithstanding the difficulties and uncertainties, (the) executive directors consider that the overall situation is manageable through the use and adaptation of the existing instruments available to the IMF,'' the agency said in a statement.

The economies of several nations have been thrown into disarray since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait by Iraq and the subsequent U.S.-led military response and economic embargo ordered by the United Nations.

The IMF said its relief efforts will be concentrated in a number of financial instruments, including its structural adjustment facility, enhanced structural adjustment facility and the compensatory and contingency financing facility.

The agency's executive board agreed to modify the amount of financing available to member nations to take into account the effects of Middle East developments.

The board also agreed to suspend until the end of next year the lower annual, three-year and cumulative borrowing limits and to allow the IMF to increase the total of its enhance structural adjustment facility for members during a mid-year review period.

The enchanced structural adjustment facility is the IMF's instrument for helping its poorest members undertake economic and structural programs to strengthen their economies.

Until now, the IMF has not been able to compensate for economic shocks caused by sudden rises in oil prices. To help settle jittery global economies, the IMF will now include costs of oil imports in its compensatory and contingency financing facility through the end of next year.

IMF compensatory financing will be expanded to include not only workers' remittances and travel receipts but also losses resulting from shortfalls in receipts from pipelines, canals, shipping, transportation, construction and insurance.

The IMF board also stressed the position that while temporary forms of relief are important, ''the impact of the Middle East crisis, and the broader economic changes sweeping the world, call for bold and comprehensive growth-oriented structural adjustment programs that would reinforce the member countries' capacity to react to such unexpected shocks,'' the IMF statement said.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 16) UPI - Battles between taxi operators and youths over fares killed six people and left several houses razed in troubled Natal province's black Folweni township, state-run radio said Friday.

Violence flared Wednesday when youths began stoning taxis after drivers refused to lower their fares in line with a decrease in the gasoline price,

the radio quoted police as saying.

Full-scale fighting erupted late Thursday and continued through the night and opposing groups torched a number of houses, police spokesman Capt. Kwazi Nene said. Patrols found the six bodies after the battles ended, and Nene described Folweni as tense.

Police made no link between the violence and the Indian Ocean province's ongoing strife between supporters of the African National Congress and Inkatha which has killed up to 4,000 people since 1987.

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ANNAPOLIS, MD (UPI) - Gov. William Donald Schaefer is asking for letters of resignation from his entire Cabinet and other high-level appointed officials of his administration, a newspaper reported Friday.

Several state officials who asked not to be identified told The (Baltimore) Evening Sun that Schaefer's order affects between 50 and 100 officials.

''It's all gloom and doom around here,'' said one top-level Schaefer aide.

Transportation Secretary Richard Trainor announced his retirement Thursday.

Sources told the newspaper that Schaefer's broad order seeking letters of resignation did not mean he is making a clean sweep to begin his new term in office.

But the sources said the governor plans to review every Cabinet officer, their top aides, all small departments, and his own Executive Office appointees, including his legislative and press officers.

Sources told The Evening Sun that after the initial shock of the move, most of Schaefer's appointees are expected to be retained, or their letters of resignation rejected.

But Schaefer's command has created an air of uncertainty and uneasiness in the top levels of state government.

One state official said no one can predict the tempermental governor's mood.

''I look at it as a way to shake everyone up,'' the official said. ''He wants everyone on their toes.''

Schaefer said Thursday that more changes in his Cabinet would be forthcoming.

Trainor, 61, said he had been considering retirement for about a year, make up

his mine last week and discussed it with Schaefer Wednesday.

''I just figured it was time,'' Trainor said. ''There comes a time when the enjoyment stops. It's a tough job. It's satisfying, but it's time-consuming.''

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(NOV. 16) UPI - Dow Jones Averages - 2 P.M.

30 Indus	2540.35	off	4.70
20 Trans	861.50	off	6.47
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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

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Noon	369.45	222.35	140.27	22.10	315.63
1 p.m.	369.75	222.79	140.39	22.11	315.88
2 p.m.	370.14	222.72	140.44	22.13	316.18

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NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Cotton futures ranged from 0.50 cents a pound higher to 0.10 cents a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract at 2 p.m. Friday on the New York Cotton Exchange.

Midafternoon prices included:

Dec 74.05 off 0.10; Mar 73.48 up 0.04; May 73.90 up 0.20; Jul 74.45 up 0.50; Oct 67.90 up 0.09 Dec 65.51 unchanged; and Mar 66.75 up 0.47.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 16) UPI - As the ''Keating Five'' influence-peddling hearing moved into a second day, the Senate Ethics Committee's special counsel said Friday huge contributions made to Sen. Alan Cranston by S&L operator Charles Keating Jr. led to elaborate efforts by Cranston to help Keating with bank regulators.

In addition, the panel's three Democrats and three Republicans refused a request by Cranston, a California Democrat, to have committee member Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., barred from participating in the proceedings because of negative comments Helms made about Cranston during his recent re-election campaign.

The committee, holding an unprecedented public hearing, is examining allegations Cranston and four other senators - Dennis DeConcini, D- Ariz.; John Glenn, D-Ohio; John McCain, R-Ariz.; and Donald Riegle, D- Mich. - improperly exerted pressure on federal bank regulators for the benefit of Keating.

On Thursday, special counsel Robert Bennett presented opening statements suggesting that Glenn and McCain be exonerated and that DeConcini and Riegle were deeply involved with Keating. On Friday, Bennett turned his attention to Cranston, who he said actively ''solicited contributions and sought contributions'' from Keating.

The five senators are accused of holding two April 1987 meetings with Edwin Gray, then chairman of the Home Loan Bank Board, to blunt a long- running investigation of Keating's Lincoln Savings and Loan Association and seek the scuttling of a rule limiting speculative and risky investments by thrifts.

Keating faces civil racketeering charges in California under a criminal fraud indictment stemming from the Lincoln collapse.

''There is substantial evidence that Sen. Cranston solicited or accepted large contributions from Mr. Keating on four occasions from 1987-89 connected in time and circumstance to Mr. Keating's requests for his help with the bank board,'' Bennett charged.

Challenged by Sen. Howell Heflin, D-Ala., the committee chairman, on whether active solicitation of contributions differed from the action of the other four senators, Bennett replied he knew of ''no evidence'' that Deconcini, Riegle, Glenn or McCain ''affirmatively asked'' for money from Keating.

Bennett waded through letters, memos, Cranston's calendar and written depositions to present his case against the senator.

Cranston, No. 2 Democrat in the Senate Democratic leadership, announced last week he would not seek re-election in 1992 because he is suffering from prostate cancer. He was absent from the proceedings Friday morning.

In advance of a Sept. 24, 1987, meeting, Joy Jacobson, Cranston's fundraiser, suggested the senator ask Keating for $250,000 for two voter projects.

Asked in a deposition how she chose the figure $250,000, Jacobson, according

to Bennett, said Cranston wanted to ask for $500,000, an amount she thought was too much. Keating later contributed the $250,000.

All five senators profess innocence of any wrongdoing, claiming they were merely assisting a constituent.

But Bennett said not all the actions could be explained as constituent service noting the six members of the ethics panel must decide whether $1.3 million in donations from Keating to the senators' re-election campaigns or other favorite causes may have influenced their actions.

William Taylor, Cranston's lawyer, asked the six-member panel to bar Helms from participating in the case as a result of a statement made by Helms, quoted in a Raleigh, N.C., newspaper on Nov. 4, that Cranston was ''the leading water carrier in Congress for the S&L kingpin Charles Keating.''

After a brief private meeting, Heflin said the committee would not act against Helms, accepting a statement from the Senate legal counsel that ''the committee has not been empowered under its charter to disqualify any member.''

Helms, vowing to base his decision on the facts, said he would not step aside. He said his remark was ''a fair comment in a political confrontation which Sen. Cranston helped finance using a political action committee to which Mr. Keating had made an enormous contribution.''

Cranston ''had deliberately injected himself into that campaign and I was entitled to try to eject him,'' Helms said.

Cranston donated some $5,000 to Helms' Democratic foe in the Nov. 6 election, former Charlotte Mayor Harvey Gantt. Taylor said the remarks showed Helms was not impartial and had already made up his mind on the matter.

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BROWNSVILLE, TX (NOV. 16) UPI - U.S. retailers and farmers along the U.S.-Mexico border will initially be stung by any free trade agreement between the United States and Mexico, a leading free trade specialist said.

Tim Bennett, who was the federal government's chief negotiator for U.S. trade and investment policy with Mexico from 1985 until 1988, said a free trade agreement would increase the flow of goods between the two countries.

More U.S. products could be sold in Mexico's stores, and more liberal rules would allow the movement of more Mexican imports, including agricultural produce, he told the Brownsville Chamber of Commerce Thursday night.

Bennett said Mexican shoppers would not have to cross the border to buy

articles available now only in the United States. and American consumers likely would favor the lower-priced Mexican produce over fruits and vegetables grown along the border on the U.S. side.

Mexico's ability to farm at lower costs, as well as increased sales of U.S. products in Mexico, would put U.S. retailers and farmers along the border in the unfavorable position at first, Bennett said.

''That will not mean the end of retail and agriculture,'' Bennett said, adding that American retailers simply will be forced to ''be creative,'' while farmers must find alternative crops.

In the long run, Bennett said, both sides should benefit from such an agreement.

Bennett, who also participated in multi-lateral trade negotiations with Japan in 1977 until 1979, now is vice president of SJS Advanced Strategies, an international trade and consulting firm based in Washington, D.C.

Bennett said rapid, unexpected changes throughout the world's economies, as well as the coalescing of the European economic community, have prompted the United States and Mexico to accelerate trade talks.

While a final version of the proposed free trade agreement is at least five years away, Bennett said, ''it would not be surprising if it came sooner than expected.''

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KINGSTON, NY (NOV. 16) UPI - Police swooped down early Friday and arrested 27 persons they charged were part of a drug ring that has flooded Kingston streets with cocaine and crack.

Authorities said they hoped arrest of members of the ring they dubbed ''The Thruway Connection'' would put a serious dent in the flow of crack from New York City to Kingston.

''Operation Street Sweep'' employed 40 Kingston police officers and an undercover officer from another jurisdiction obtained through a ''Swap-a-Cop'' exchange program that minimizes the risk of discovery. The suspects were arraigned before Kingston City Judge Michael Bruhn Friday morning in a courtroom sealed from the press and public for what were cited as ''security reasons'' and remanded to the Ulster County Jail.

''This is going to make a significant impact on street level crack and cocaine dealing,'' said Police Chief James Riggins. He said that although most of those arrested had Kingston addresses, many are actually from the New York

City area, where cocaine is obtained in quantity and transported to Kingston on buses and in rental cars.

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PEORIA, IL (NOV. 16) UPI - The jet-setting lifestyle of Anthony DeFelippis came to a crashing halt when he was sentenced to 37 months in federal prison for bank larceny and making false statements to a bank.

DeFelippis dropped out of Bradley University in Peoria two years ago and proceeded to bounce a check to pay for a posh penthouse in Peoria, ran up $100,000 on his credit card and bought a $23,000 car.

However, DeFelippis never had a job to pay for his lavish lifestyle and bought the luxury items with bounced checks, overdrawn credit card limits and tolerant parents who covered his debt.

U.S. District Judge Michael Mihm sentenced him Thursday to 37 months because of his unrepentant attitude even though DeFilippis qualified for a 30-month sentence.

''Two years ago, I would have told you people are cattle,'' DeFelippis told the judge. ''You buy them. You sell them. You use them as you have to, then you discard them. People are a lot more complex than that.''

DeFelippis has held only one job since he left Bradley in May 1988, working part time in New Jersey and earning $4,000 over six months.

He said he was convinced that he was on the road to success and he began buying all the trappings.

While still in college, DeFelippis interviewed with a brokerage firm in Chicago for a job and, assuming that he had received a job, wrote out a check for a down-payment for an apartment at Peoria's posh Twin Towers but the check bounced.

During that time, he also bought a $23,000 car, a debt his parents covered. He said he often rented limousines and once rented a helicopter in Chicago and tried to charge it to the brokerage firm where he hoped to work.

He also tried to lease an apartment on Chicago's Lake Shore Drive but again, his check bounced.

DeFelippis, who described himself in court as ''out of control,'' once had a $100,000 bill on his American Express credit card and had major debts on other credit cards at department stores.

He was finally arrested in March 1989 when he applied for a $250,000 loan at the former Commercial National Bank, claiming to have a $2 million annual income.

He pleaded guilty to the charges last April.

When he gets out of jail, DeFelippis said he wants to move in with his parents in Florida and earn a university degree in finance.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 16) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	78.97	79.15	78.72	79.05	78.97
Feb	76.03	76.28	75.88	76.22	75.97
Apr	75.85	76.32	75.82	76.28	75.88
Jun	73.65	73.85	73.63	73.82	73.65
Aug	72.00	72.43	72.00	72.20	72.00
Oct	72.18	72.45	72.15	72.32	72.15
Dec	....	....	....	73.00	73.00

Est. sales 8,438 contracts; Thursday 11,727; Open interest: 69,551 off 577.

Feeder Cattle _ 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Nov	....	....	....	....	88.68
Jan	87.55	87.75	87.38	87.70	87.57
Mar	85.00	85.18	84.90	85.10	84.97
Apr	83.95	84.10	83.88	84.10	83.97
May	83.00	83.25	83.00	83.25	83.18
Aug	82.20	82.30	82.10	82.25	82.15
Sep	81.47	81.60	81.47	81.55	81.45
Oct	81.05	81.10	81.05	81.20	81.05

Est. sales 688 contracts; Thursday 1,282; Open interest: 8,085 off 1,462.

Live Hogs _ 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	53.40	53.80	53.05	53.70	53.35
Feb	51.65	52.65	51.60	52.42	51.63
Apr	48.55	49.47	48.53	49.40	48.47
Jun	52.70	53.63	52.70	53.35	52.72
Jul	52.70	53.40	52.70	53.40	52.78
Aug	50.60	51.60	50.60	51.63	50.72
Oct	45.60	45.95	45.60	45.95	45.75
Dec	....	....	....	45.55	45.55

Est. sales 10,653 contracts; Thursday 11,252; Open interest: 28,245 up 1,066.

Frozen Pork Bellies _ 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	69.70	72.13	69.10	72.13	70.13

Mar 69.00 71.45 68.70 71.45 69.45
May 68.50 71.13 68.50 71.13 69.13
Jul 68.20 70.80 68.10 70.80 68.80
Aug 65.65 68.05 65.65 68.05 66.05 Est. sales 6,470 contracts; Thursday 7,089; Open interest: 12,496 up 137.

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CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) _ Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 128.17 down 1 cent, 700- 850 lbs. 128.37 up 21 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.47 up 15 cents, 700-850 lbs. 118.99 up 14 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow to moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins firm to 3.00 higher; Boston butts were not tested; skinned hams steady; seedless bellies were not established; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 102.00-108.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 95.00- 101.00, 20-26 lbs. 81.00-85.00, 26-32 lbs. 77.50-78.00; bellies 12-14 lbs. 60.00, 14-16 lbs. 60.00, 16-18 lbs. 57.00.

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(NOV. 16) - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES:
At close November 16, 1990

Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	438.72	off 9.69	up 3.60
Growth & Income	688.16	off 9.27	up 3.03
Balanced	452.32	off 8.77	up 2.37

Average Fund Performances:

Capital Appreciation (142)	off 12.24	up 3.10
Growth (262)	off 9.92	up 3.33
Small Co. Growth (83)	off 16.74	up 3.92
Growth & Income (202)	off 8.50	up 2.96
Equity Income (68)	off 9.30	up 2.38
Average 757 Equity	off 10.69	up 3.17
Health/Biotech (9)	up 9.95	up 3.67
Natural Resources (19)	off 8.39	off 0.50
Environmental (5)	off 14.31	up 2.54
Science & Technology (23)	off 9.18	up 5.08
Specialty/Misc (31)	off 16.45	up 2.62

Utility (15)		off	3.90	up 0.53
Financial Services (9)		off	21.41	up 4.87
Real Estate (6)		off	18.15	up 2.45
Option Income (10)		off	7.39	up 3.04
Global (45)		off	9.91	up 1.84
International (60)		off	10.13	up 1.13
European Region (17)		off	2.36	up 0.78
Pacific Region (17)		off	15.40	up 1.38
Gold Oriented (36)		off	26.94	off 3.38
Average All Equity (1054)		off	11.04	up 2.64
Flexible Portfolio (47)		off	4.76	up 2.09
Global Flexible Port (11)		off	4.44	up 1.00
Balanced (62)		off	3.65	up 2.10
Convertible Security (31)		off	10.78	up 1.92
Mixed Income (13)		off	2.25	up 1.41
Income (4)		off	11.03	up 1.10
World Income (46)		up	12.89	up 0.34
Fixed Income (541)		up	2.08	up 0.81
Average 1814 Funds		off	5.96	up 1.97
Median 1814 Funds		off	6.20	up 1.70
Unmanaged Market Indicators:				
DJ Industrial	2,545.05	off	7.56	up 4.14
S&P 500	317.02	off	10.29	up 3.06
S&P 400	371.23	off	8.00	up 3.20
NYSE Composite	173.12	off	11.24	up 2.96
Amex	296.69	off	21.51	up 2.64

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)

Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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#90320x4914 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 16) UPI - An American named Charles Shaw is one of several unknown singers whose voices won the pop duo Milli Vanilli world fame and a 1989 Grammy Award for their debut album, ''Girl You Know It's True,'' their manager said Friday.

The manager, Carsten Heyn, confirmed that the dreadlocked duo, known for their good looks, funky dancing and lip-synching performances, did not sing a note on the record that brought them international stardom.

Heyn said the identities of the other singers would be revealed at a news conference with the pop stars that was scheduled to be held early next week in Los Angeles, where the duo is currently staying.

The National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences has said it was considering stripping the two of their Grammy, a measure that has never been taken before in the 33-year history of the award.

Heyn said Shaw and between two to six other unknown singers were the real voices on ''Girl You Know It's True,'' the album that won Rob Pilatus and Fabrice Morvan a Grammy Award as Best New Artist last year.

The album, which includes the title hit and another popular song, ''Blame It on the Rain,'' sold 7 million copies.

Word that two performers were fakes came after their German producer, Frank Farian, fired the pair earlier this week because they insisted on actually singing on a planned follow-up record.

Farian has said he never told the secret to Arista Records, which was responsible for the American distribution of the album. The record's credits list Pilatus and Morvan as singing on all songs.

Asked why the duo kept the sham secret for so long, Heyn said, ''He made them not say anthing to anybody.

''We have insisted since 1989 that we be allowed to sing on all Milli Vanilli records. We have been ready, willing and able to record our own vocals and have been prevented by Frank Farian from doing so.''

''They are good singers,'' he said, adding that the exotic pop stars - Pilatus was born in Guadaloupe, while Morvan was raised in Germany - speak English with a ''little accent.''

Heyn said the duo was now considering new deals for what would in fact be their real debut album. But he said the pop stars would perform under a different name, since Farian owns the rights to Milli Vanilli - which Heyn claimed came from a Turkish phrase for ''positive energy.''

Michael Greene, president of the academy that awards the Grammys, said he was dismayed to learn of the fraud.

''The Grammy is awarded for artistic integrity,'' Greene said. ''We get about 10,000 entries a year and we rely on the lable copy and the credits. When it's fradulent or falsified in any way it's difficult for us to feel that the way our members went about voting was informed.''

If the duo is stripped of the award, Green said the academy may decide to

belatedly honor one of the four other 1989 nominees for Best New Artist - Neneh Cherry, Indigo Girls, Soul II Soul and Tone Loc - or just not dole out an award in that category for last year.

Farian earlier this week announced plans to release a record with the singers who actually performed on the Milli Vanilli record.

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(NOV. 16) UPI - Dow Jones Averages - 2:30 p.m.

30 Indus	2543.56	off	1.49
20 Trans	862.06	off	5.91
15 Utils	207.68	up	0.25
65 Stock	888.59	off	1.66

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WASHINGTON (UPI) - Preliminary tests on marine mammals have uncovered surprisingly high levels of pollutants in some sea lions, government researchers reported Friday.

The National Marine Fisheries Service said the testing effort was spurred by concerns about the possible effects of toxic contaminants like DDT, other pesticides and polychlorinated biphenyls, called PCBs.

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''It definitely raises some concerns ... but right now we don't know about what kind of health effect it might have,'' said Usha Varanasi, who conducted the tests at the fisheries services' environmental conservation division. Contaminants like PCBs are thought to cause immune suppression that could leave animals vulnerable to infection, she noted.

Another disturbing discovery of the early testing was the finding that pregnant pilot whales appear to transfer chemical contaminants to their developing fetuses, the fisheries service said.

However, tests on gray whales recently stranded in the Puget Sound showed they had levels of pollutant exposure too low to cause health problems. Levels in fur seals and Alaskan harbor seals were even lower than those for gray whales, Varanasi said.

The government hopes to test about 100 marine mammals in its two-year pilot study, and establish a bank to store tissue samples so scientists can learn more about the patterns of contaminant exposure.

''We are going to try to analyze all different types of animals under all different conditions,'' Varanasi said in a telephone interview.

Researchers plan to get their test animals from those that are stranded, die of disease, are caught in fishermen's nets or are killed under special permits.

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#90320x5008 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

CHICAGO (NOV. 16) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Friday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.48	2.51 1/2	2.47 3/4	2.50 1/4	2.47 1/2
Mar	2.64	2.67 1/2	2.63 1/2	2.66 1/4	2.65
May	2.72	2.75 1/2	2.72	2.75	2.73
Jly	2.78	2.82	2.77 1/2	2.82	2.79
Sep	2.86	2.87	2.84 1/2	2.86 3/4	2.85
Dec	2.96	2.98 1/2	2.96	2.98 1/2	2.97 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.22 1/2	2.25 3/4	2.21 1/4	2.25	2.22
Mar	2.31 1/4	2.35 1/2	2.31	2.32	2.35
May	2.38 1/2	2.43 1/4	2.38	2.38 1/2	2.42 1/2
Jly	2.44	2.49	2.44	2.48 3/4	2.45
Sep	2.45 1/2	2.49	2.45 1/2	2.48 3/4	2.45
Dec	2.45 1/2	2.50	2.45 1/2	2.49 3/4	2.45 1/2
Mar	2.53	2.56 1/2	2.52 3/4	2.56 1/2	2.52
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.09 1/4	1.12	1.10 1/4	1.11 3/4	1.09 3/4
Mar	1.21 3/4	1.23 1/2	1.21 1/2	1.23	1.21 1/4
May	1.28 1/4	1.29 1/2	1.28	1.29 1/4	1.27 3/4
Jly	1.34	1.35 1/4	1.33 1/2	1.35 1/4	1.33 1/4
Sep	1.41	1.41	1.41	1.41	1.39
Dec	1.48 1/2	1.48 1/2	1.48 1/2	1.48 1/2	1.46 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Nov	5.61 1/2	5.70 1/2	5.61	5.66 3/4	5.58 1/2
Jan	5.72	5.82	5.72	5.78 1/4	5.70 1/4
Mar	5.87 1/2	5.95 3/4	5.86 1/4	5.92 1/4	5.84 1/4
May	5.99 1/2	6.09 3/4	5.99 1/2	6.06	5.97 3/4
Jly	6.11 1/2	6.21	6.11 1/4	6.17 3/4	6.09 1/4
Aug	6.14 1/2	6.22 1/2	6.14 1/2	6.20 3/4	6.12 3/4
Sep	6.08 1/2	6.14	6.08 1/2	6.13	6.03 1/2
Nov	6.07	6.13	6.06 1/2	6.11 1/4	6.06

Jan	6.22	6.22	6.22	6.22	6.16 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	20.41	20.52	20.29	20.44	20.41
Jan	20.70	20.80	20.59	20.74	20.69
Mar	21.10	21.22	21.01	21.16	21.11
May	21.50	21.60	21.42	21.55	21.50
Jul	21.77	21.86	21.70	21.85	21.77
Aug	21.80	21.90	21.70	21.85	21.72
Sep	21.80	21.90	21.68	21.90	21.72
Oct	21.80	21.90	21.68	21.85	21.75
Dec	21.80	21.90	21.65	21.85	21.75
Jan	21.70	21.90	21.70	21.77	21.65

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	170.80	174.80	170.70	173.70	170.40
Jan	173.50	177.00	173.20	175.90	172.60
Mar	177.00	180.80	177.00	179.90	176.40
May	179.70	183.20	179.70	182.40	179.00
Jul	183.00	186.30	183.00	185.40	181.90
Aug	184.80	187.00	184.80	186.50	182.70
Sep	184.00	186.50	184.00	186.00	182.50
Oct	182.00	185.00	182.00	183.70	181.20
Dec	184.80	185.50	184.50	185.50	182.70
Jan	184.50	185.50	....	185.00	184.00

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PHILADELPHIA (UPI) _ Hundreds of banner-waving citizens are expected to rally Saturday to urge Philadelphia Wilson Goode and state leaders to act now to prevent any cuts in basic services in the city, officials said.

The rally will be organized by a new group called Campaign for Philadelphia, a spokeswoman said, and it will be held near the University of Pennsylvania campus.

Spokeswoman Jane Shull said the group will call on state and city leaders to agree on a financial rescue plan because further cuts in services will hurt _ NOT help _ the city.

Skull said the group will also launch a campaign to lobby the state government to pay its fair share to the city.

She said the federal government has cut its spending in Philadelphia by nearly 40 percent and the state has failed to provide adequate funding for urban programs.

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#90320x5030 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
(NOV. 16) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Indexes - 3 p.m.

Composite	173.22	up	0.10
Industrial	213.94	up	0.21
Transport	135.12	off	0.64
Utility	89.36	off	0.01
Finance	116.34	off	0.07

Equivalent to a gain of 1 cent in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 124,520,000 shares.

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#90320x5043 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Wire Service Guild members at United Press International voted by a majority of 62 percent to take a 35 percent wage cut for a period of 90 days to keep the news wire service viable while management attempts to sell all or part of the company, it was announced Friday.

The vote was announced by Kevin Keane, president of the union at its Manhattan headquarters. WSG represents UPI's editorial staff, photo technicians and some office personnel. The weekly salary of top scale newspersons will be reduced from $690 to $448 beginning Saturday.

''Through the vote our members demonstrated a willingness to make another huge sacrifice to keep UPI alive,'' Keane said.

Pieter VanBennekom, UPI vice president for editorial operations, hailed the employes' action.

''Given the extremely tough circumstances in which we are working, this is a courageous and responsible act by journalsts who want to support each other and who hope to see UPI restored.

''The officers of the Wire Service Guild have our thanks for having conducted this important referendum so quickly and even-handedly. This gives us the time to fine a new home for UPI.''

A management statement issued immediately after the vote was announced said that more than 12 organizations have expressed preliminary interest in purchasing all or part of UPI, double the number announced at the beginning of the month. The potential buyers were not identified.

Management said earlier this month that it would file for Chapter 7 bankruptcy and liquidate the company if the union did not submit the wage cut proposal to

UPI workers, or if employes rejected the pay cut.

The WSG Executive Committee agreed to the vote but said it recommended against acceptance. The union is part of the Washington- based Newspaper Guild, an affiliate of the AFL-CIO.

Union officials said they feared any new buyer would insist that the 35 percent pay cut continue beyond the 90-day period as part of a purchase agreement.

Ballots on the proposed wage cut were mailed Nov. 6, returnable by Nov. 16. UPI wanted the pay cut to be retroactive to Nov. 4, but union officials refused to accept any wage cut until after the vote.

UPI reduced the salaries of all non-union employes by 35 percent for 90 days Nov. 4 and announced it had rescinded its policy granting severance and notice pay to these employes.

It immediately announced that it was asking Guild members to accept the same pay cut. Severance and notice pay provisions will continue for WSG-covered employes.

''All these drastic measures are necessary to bring UPI immediately to cash flow self-sufficiency and to stabilize the company during the next few months to be able to effect a sale of UPI in the shortest possible order,'' VanBennekom said at the time.

''To bring the process to a successful conclusion, we need the breathing space these measures will provide,'' VanBennekom added.

Keane said it was now up to management to find buyers who understand how to channel employes' journalistic talent and energy into a profitable news agency.

''Our members are angry about the reckless way in which a series of management teams have tainted UPI's proud name,'' Keane said. ''Employes want new owners who will show a commitment to UPI's jouirnalistic traditions and a commmitment to the employes who have given so much of themselves in the name of UPI.''

UPI is 99 percent owned by Infotechnology Inc. of New York. Infotech and Financial News Network Inc., of which Infotech has a 47 percent stake, said in late October that they were considering sale of ''some or all'' of their businesses because they were unable to meet operating expenses or cover payments on $70.2 million in bank debt.

A new management team has replaced Dr. Earl Brian, who had been chief executive officer of both Infotech and FNN.

UPI changed owners three times in the past decade and filed for Chapter 11

banruptcy protection in 1985. It emerged from bankruptcy the following year when Mexican newspaper publisher Mario Vazquez Rana acquired control of the company.

Chapter 11 filing permits reorganization. Liquidation of UPI could be achieved by filing for Chapter 7, which provides for conversion of assets into cash or a closing of a business by collecting assets and settling all debts.

UPI was founded as United Press in 1907 by E.W. Scripps, a newspaper chain owner, as a challenge to Associated Press' policy of selling to only one newspaper in cities with more than one paper.

As a Scripps-Howard property, UP rapidly established bureaus worldwide and at one time was the leading news wire service globally, pioneering coverage in South America and the Far East.

It merged with Hearst's International News Service in 1958, becoming United Press International.

Scripps-Howard sold UPI in 1982 to Douglas Ruhe and William Geissler. Control was given by the bankruptcy court to Vazquez Rana who sold it to Infotech in early 1989.

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#90320x5056 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
(NOV. 16) UPI - Dow Jones Averages - 3 P.M.

30 Indus	2548.02	up	2.97
20 Trans	862.80	off	5.17
15 Utils	207.81	up	0.38
65 Stock	889.76	off	0.49

-30- 279
#90320x5066 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	371.23	224.67	140.33	22.23	317.02
Opening	372.61	224.98	140.81	22.33	318.19
11 a.m.	371.34	223.87	140.53	22.26	317.17
Noon	369.45	222.35	140.27	22.10	315.63
1 p.m.	369.75	222.79	140.39	22.11	315.88
2 p.m.	370.14	222.72	140.44	22.13	316.18
3 p.m.	371.05	223.10	140.67	22.18	316.91

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#90320x5069 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
BATON ROUGE, La. (UPI) _ Although Louisiana State officials denied any advance decision to fire football coach Mike Archer before the end of the season, Athletic Director Joe Dean hired a sports management firm at least six weeks ago to compile a list of possible successors.

Archer announced his resignation Thursday, to take effect after the last game of the season on Nov. 24. The coach said he was not under political pressure to quit but the issue was forced by television reports a day earlier that he was to be fired after the Tulane game.

As speculation grew that Archer would be fired, Dean repeatedly insisted no decision had been made and would not occur before the end of the season. However, Dean acknowledged he hired Raycom Inc., a Charlotte, N.C., sports management group, to compile a list of replacement candidates.

''What happens to me if we decide to make a change? Where am I? What do I do? I can't wait until February,'' Dean said. ''I'd do it again. It's good business.''

Archer, however, criticized the hiring of Raycom and said the actions of Dean helped him decide to resign.

The original candidate list supplied by Raycom contained about 40 names. Dean said he has shortened the list to 15 but had not yet contacted any of the coaches.

Dean refused to name the coaches on the candidate list but confirmed names when specifically asked.

Among the coaches Dean confirmed were under consideration were North Carolina Coach Mack Brown, a former offensive coordinator at LSU who was head coach at Tulane before going to UNC, North Carolina State Coach Dick Sheridan, Southern Mississippi Coach Curley Hallman and Mike Shanahan, quarterback coach and offensive coordinator for the Denver Broncos.

Others on the list included: Houston Coach John Jenkins, Georgia Tech Coach Bobby Ross; Illinois Coach and Athletic Director John Mackovic; Oregon Coach Rich Brooks; Ohio State Coach John Cooper; William and Mary Coach Jimmy Laycock and Tampa Bay Buccaneers assistant Richard Williamson.

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#90320x5155 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - The stock market was slightly higher late Friday in light trading, recovering from slight midday weakness brought on by bargain-hunting and by buying tied to the monthly expirations of stock futures

and options.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which lost 14.60 Thursday, was up 2.97 to 2548.02 at 3 p.m. EST.

Advances led declines 751-695 among the 1,969 issues crossing the New York Stock Exchange tape. Volume at 3 p.m. amounted to about 124,520,000 shares, compared with 122,030,000 in the same period Thursday.

Prices were mixed in light trading of American Stock Exchange issues.

Analysts said the market moved back into the plus column on bargain- hunting and computerized program buying tied to expirations _ known as ''double-witching hour'' _ of stock options and futures on the Major Market Index.

A midday bout of institutional selling wiped out the market's early gains, which were tied to good economic news, sharply lower oil prices and strength in the bond market.

The stock market opened higher after the government issued reports that inflation rose slightly less than expected last month and that the trade deficit eased in September.

Inflation at the consumer level eased slightly in October as retail prices rose 0.6 percent after gaining 0.8 percent in each of the two previous months, the Labor Department said.

Separately, the nation's merchandise trade deficit _ the gap between imports and exports _ edged down 3.3 percent to $9.41 billion in September, even though the cost of oil imports hit a nearly nine-year high in the aftermath of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, the Commerce Department said.

''There was some cheery news,'' said Hugh Johnson, chief investment officer at First Albany Corp. in Albany, N.Y.

''A substantial percentage of the (trade) deficit was a result of higher oil prices _ a meaningful chunk,'' Johnson said. ''If oil purchases come down, as they have since then, we should see a lower deficit in the coming months.''

The market also got support from a sharp drop in oil prices that put the price of U.S. crude back below the key $30-a-barrel level. In afternoon trading, oil was down $1.62 to $29.50 as fears of imminent war in the Mideast seemed to fade.

The drop in oil fueled gains in the bond market, which also bolstered the stock market. Long-term Treasuries were 3/4 point in afternoon trading.

On the trading floor as of 3 p.m. EST, AT&T was the most active issue, tumbling. United Telecommunications followed, sinking. Both stocks came under pressure from concerns about their prospects after MCI, the other major U.S. long-distance phone company whose stock trades in the over-the-counter market, said Thursday it would restructure and perhaps lay off 1,500 workers over the next six months.

Varity was third, down sharply.

Among the other blue chips, IBM was up sharply, Woolworth and General Motors were both down and Merck was higher.

Fruit of the Loom led the Amex issues, up sharply. FL Management said it has filed with the federal government for permission to acquire less than 15 percent of the stock.

The group said the purchase would be for investment reasons but reserved the right in the future to decide whether it would be desirable to try and influence management.

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#90320x5179 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

(NOV. 16) UPI - The pressure of coaching the nation's No. 1 team is getting to Notre Dame's Lou Holtz.

''I am tired,'' Holtz said. ''The pressure mounts every game, every year. There's pressure because there isn't any letup. It's not from the administration. I don't talk to anybody on the phone or read the mail. I just can feel it. Nobody cares how rocky the sea is. Just bring the ship in.''

With a national title two years ago and another possible this season, Holtz has rivaled such Irish coaching greats as Ara Parseghian and Frank Leahy, who each coached 11 Irish teams.

''I wouldn't make 11 years,'' Holtz said. ''Leahy went to war (as a Navy officer in World War II). ... That would be a welcome relief.''

Holtz vows he will remain at Notre Dame if the school wants him after his contract expires this season.

The Irish, 8-1, are home against No. 14 Penn State and visit No. 19 Southern Cal next week. Victories in both games should make an expected Orange Bowl showdown with No. 2 Colorado a battle for the national title.

Penn State, 7-2 and headed for the Blockbuster Bowl, has the nation's No. 2 defense and a seven-game win streak, its longest since an undefeated 1986 national championship season.

''I don't know if we're physically capable of matching up with the Irish,'' Penn State Coach Joe Paterno said. ''Notre Dame is by far the fastest team we play. They have a great team. They could take the ball and move up and down the field on us. I hope they don't but it's a distinct possibility.

''They don't fumble the ball and they have the best return guy maybe who ever played (Raghib Ismail). We have to play as well as we can and hope we keep Ismail to reasonable numbers. We have to play everything well, maybe play better than we're capable of playing.''

The Orange Bowl will invite Colorado regardless of how the Buffaloes, 9-1-1, end their season Saturday against Kansas State. The Wildcats, 5- 5, have more victories this year than in their past four seasons combined.

Two Southeastern Conference games Saturday will play a major role in deciding who faces No. 3 Miami in the Sugar Bowl. No. 11 Mississippi, 8- 1, plays No. 13 Tennessee, 5-2-2, while No. 21 Auburn is home against Georgia. Ole Miss leads the race for New Orleans with a 4-1 league mark, a half-game ahead of Auburn, and the Rebels have only SEC doormat Mississippi State on their schedule after the Volunteers. SEC runners-up are set for Fiesta, Gator and Peach bowl bids as consolation prizes.

No. 5 Georgia Tech, the nation's only unbeaten team at 8-0-1, can clinch the Atlantic Coast Conference crown and a Citrus Bowl bid with a victory at Wake Forest. A loss, combined with a victory by No. 7 Virginia over Maryland, would give the Cavaliers the ACC title. No. 9 Nebraska, 9-1 and bound for the Citrus Bowl, ends its season against arch-rival Oklahoma.

No. 4 Brigham Young, 8-1, the Western Athletic Conference leader, visits Utah and No. 6 Texas, 6-1, can remain atop the Cotton Bowl chase with a Southwest Conference triumph at Texas Christian. No. 3 Miami plays Boston College and No. 10 Florida State, set to meet Penn State in the Blockbuster Bowl, plays Memphis State.

No. 8 Washington, already assured the Pacific-10 title and a Rose Bowl bid, travels to Washington State while No. 12 Iowa tries to remain ahead in the Big Ten race with a victory over Purdue. No. 18 Ohio State, a half-game behind the Hawkeyes, plays league doormat Wiscosnin.

No. 16 Michigan, No. 21 Michigan State and No. 23 Illinois and Minnesota have slim Rose Bowl hopes, but other postseason action is more likely. The Wolverines are home against Minnesota, Michigan State is at Northwestern and the Illini visit Indiana. The Hoosiers need to win one of their last two games to reach the Peach Bowl.

Other games involving ranked teams find bowl longshot South Carolina, 5-4, at No. 15 Clemson, which is set to face Illinois in the Hall of Fame Bowl; UCLA

at No. 19 Southern Cal, Michigan State's scheduled foe in the Hancock Bowl; Stanford at No. 25 California, which will meet Wyoming in the Copper Bowl; Arkansas at No. 20 Texas A&M and San Jose State at No. 23 Fresno State, with the winner taking the Big West title and a Raisin Bowl berth against Central Michigan.

Other games with bowl implications find Air Force, 5-5, trying to win a Liberty Bowl bid at Texas-El Paso; Syracuse, 5-3-2, needing to beat West Virginia to secure a spot in the Aloha Bowl; and Louisiana State, 4-5, trying to impress Independence Bowl scouts by beating Mississippi State.

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#90320x5234 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
NEW YORK (NOV. 16) UPI - New York Stock Exchange composite index at 3:30 p.m. 173.08 off 0.04, equivalent to a loss of 1 cent in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume approximately 138,684,000 shares.

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FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, R.F. BERN, VP OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

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#90320c0024 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, R.F. BERN, VP OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,500.

-30- 323
#90320c0025 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, J.A. COLE, DIR. OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

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#90320c0026 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, J.A. COLE, DIR. OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90320c0027 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, J.A. COLE, DIR. OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,500.

-30- 327
#90320c0028 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, S.W. COLE, PRES. OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90320c0029 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, S.W. COLE, PRES. OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 17,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90320c0031 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $21.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90320c0032 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90320c0033 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 4, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90320c0034 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 8, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90320c0035 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 11, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $21.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90320c0036 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90320c0037 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 15, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90320c0039 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $19.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90320c0040 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.43 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90320c0041 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90320c0042 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 4,800 SHARES AT $19.80 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90320c0043 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90320c0044 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN

FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90320c0045 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $19.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90320c0047 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 5, 1990, HAPOALIM B M BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 4,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90320c0048 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 11, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 2,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90320c0049 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 15,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90320c0050 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 100 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90320c0051 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 15, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90320c0052 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 3,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90320c0053 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 17, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 45,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90320c0055 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 1,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90320c0056 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90320c0057 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 6,400 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90320c0058 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 100 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,533,658.

-30- 343
#90320c0059 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, E.H. OBRIEN, DIR. OF CHESHIRE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFNH), BOUGHT 3,250 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,000.

-30- 321
#90320c0060 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, J.A. GERACHE, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL FINL CORP. (MS) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,591.

-30- 305
#90320c0061 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, R.E. AGAN, PRES. OF HARDINGE BROTHERS INC. (TICKER: HDNG) BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,787.

-30- 317
#90320c0063 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, SCIENCE APP PENSION P/S PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 88,752 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,035,635.

-30- 380
#90320c0064 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 15, 1990, WATSON ROBERT INC, SHAREHOLDER OF TEXAS VANGUARD OIL CO.(TICKER: TVOC) BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 685,529.

-30- 336
#90320c0065 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, P.N. BARKER, DIR. OF WESTERN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WSTF) (KS) BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90320c0066 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, P.N. BARKER, DIR. OF WESTERN FINANCIAL CORP. (KS) (TICKER: WSTF) BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 146,656.

-30- 326
#90320c0067 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, J. BARTL, VP OF GANDALF TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: GAND), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $2.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 310
#90320c0068 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, M.E. DESWERT, PRES. OF DYNATEM INC.(TICKER: DYTM) BOUGHT 110,182 SHARES AT $0.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 632,441.

-30- 303
#90320c0069 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 9, 1990, J.C. GALE, DIR. OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: LAT) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90320c0071 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, F.T. HARRISON, DIR. OF ORANGE BANCORP. BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,000.

-30- 293
#90320c0072 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, D.W. HOFFMAN, PRES. OF ORANGE BANCORP. BOUGHT 3,191 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,191.

-30- 292
#90320c0073 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, P.J. ROCCO, DIR. OF ORANGE BANCORP. BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,670.

-30- 287
#90320c0074 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, F.T. TORKI, DIR. OF ORANGE BANCORP. BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 74,622.

-30- 286
#90320c0075 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, B.R. TUKEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF HQ OFFICE SUPPLIES WAREHOUSE INC. (TICKER: HQOS), SOLD 201,667 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90320c0076 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, B.R. TUKEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF HQ OFFICE SUPPLIES WAREHOUSE INC. (TICKER: HQOS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90320c0077 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, B.R. TUKEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF HQ OFFICE SUPPLIES WAREHOUSE INC. (TICKER: HQOS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 448,333.

-30- 353
#90320c0079 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, J.P. VALLES, DIR. OF MACK TRUCKS INC. (TICKER: MACK), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90320c0080 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, C.M. ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ROYCE VALUE TRUST INC. (TICKER: RVT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90320c0081 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 22, 1990, C.M. ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ROYCE VALUE TRUST INC. (TICKER: RVT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,549.

-30- 340
#90320c0082 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, V. POSNER, CHAIRMAN OF SOUTHEASTERN PUBLIC SERVICE CO. (TICKER: SSPS), BOUGHT 540,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 540,000.

-30- 337
#90320c0083 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 9, 1990, J.H. CARD, VP OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC.(TICKER: URIX) SOLD 250 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264

#90320c0084 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 11, 1990, L.G. MUNIN, DIR. OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX) BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90320c0085 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 15, 1990, L.G. MUNIN, DIR. OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX) BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90320c0087 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, G.F. HOGAN, SHAREHOLDER OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS), SOLD 40,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,239.

-30- 354
#90320c0088 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, J.H. RUBINSTEIN, CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL CABLECASTING TECHNOLOGIE (TICKER: ICCT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,442,594.

-30- 365
#90320c0089 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, H.M. GARDNER, DIR. OF TGC INDUSTRIES INC BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,540.

-30- 284
#90320c0090 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 1, 1990, A.P. LINTON, VP OF FCNB CORP SOLD 100 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,406.

-30- 265
#90320c0882 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Kahler Corp.(TICKER: KHLR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Sept. 30, 1990	Oct. 1, 1989
REVENUES	$22,612,000	$19,571,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$102,000	$161,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$494,000	$(30,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.25	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$102,832,000	$101,211,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,934,000	$17,946,000

-30- 1014
#90320c0883 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mail Boxes Coast to Coast Inc.(TICKER: MBCC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$214,677	$215,291
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$17,767	$(92,177)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,700,000	6,700,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$845,440	$782,967
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$503,491	$422,291

-30- 1092

#90320c0884 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cimflex Teknowledge Corp.(TICKER: CMTK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,669,000	$12,065,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(450,000)	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(4,967,000)	$188,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.22)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	22,615,571	23,296,344

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$30,657,000	$50,065,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,873,000	$26,146,000

-30- 1095

#90320c0886 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by People's Savings Financial Corp.(TICKER: PBNB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$234,000	$699,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	$0.28
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,032,824	2,444,324

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$265,206,000	$264,206,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$36,481,000	$38,213,000

-30- 879

#90320c0887 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by FNB Rochester Corp.(TICKER: FNBR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$592,000	$632,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.30	$0.32
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,977,447	1,977,447

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$303,692,000	$292,233,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$17,634,000	$16,305,000

-30- 844

#90320c0888 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Northern Savings Bank, N.A.(TICKER: FNGB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$564,308	$485,076
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.46	$0.38

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$300,462,059	$286,138,207
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$28,203,521	$27,053,261

-30- 827

#90320c0889 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Trans-Atlantic Video Inc.(TICKER: TAVD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$791,346	$2,589,693
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(445,799)	$57,241
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	17,870,824	7,508,696

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,613,281	$4,088,144
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,477,928	$1,975,761

-30- 1074

#90320c0890 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Rocking Horse Child Care Centers of America Inc. (TICKER: RHCC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,286,268	$5,673,572
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$3,070
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(569,572)	$49,381

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,173,058	11,346,192

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$37,628,461	$37,685,889
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,831,424	$5,676,333

-30- 1136

#90320c0891 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Spire Corp.(TICKER: SPIR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,570,836	$5,423,241
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$14,793	$55,243
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,487,248	3,521,921

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$16,307,700	$17,965,423
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,093,546	$10,911,210

-30- 1065

#90320c0892 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Creative Technologies Corp.(TICKER: CRTV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$919,000	$1,690,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$17,000	$35,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(9,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$53,000	$102,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.02

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,744,000	$2,418,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$492,000	$(279,000)

-30- 1052

#90320c0894 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Acquisition Capability Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$596,070	$320,802
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$11,282	$(2,777)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,432,515	$2,479,537
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,132,290	$1,121,008

The company's executive office is located at 7 Penn Plaza, Suite 422, New York New York 10001 and its telephone number is (212) 563-1036.

-30- 1120

#90320c0898 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Projectavision Inc.(TICKER: PJTV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(613,730)	$(274,592)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.20)	$(0.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,033,333	2,233,333

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,331,472	$694,126
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$1,852,312	$(264,595)

The company is a development stage firm engaged in the development of a unique proprietary solid state projection television and related video display technology.

-30- 1242
#90320c0899 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Shared Technologies Inc.(TICKER: STCH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,770,990	$4,475,278
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,653,029)	$(1,640,413)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$(0.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	14,743,427	11,786,727

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$16,419,461	$16,429,295
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$545,899	$(2,398,298)

-30- 1118

#90320c0900 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Baker Communications Inc.(TICKER: BAKR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,101,850	$2,157,207
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(143,353)	$(302,684)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.15)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,777,837	$7,347,907
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$527,321	$450,974

-30- 1015

#90320c0901 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Star States Corp.(TICKER: STSS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$(394,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(17,576,000)	$(9,026,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(3.69)	$(1.92)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,760,228	4,703,867

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,608,281,000	$1,434,327,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$41,772,000	$89,847,000

-30- 950

#90320c0902 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Suncoast S&L Assn.(TICKER: SCSL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$246,404	$487,024
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.13	$0.26
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,851,681	1,887,442

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$271,521,004	$265,503,491
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,880,475	$10,628,592

-30- 865

#90320c0903 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Time Energy Systems Inc.(TICKER: TESI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,144,221	$229,968
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(82,444)	$(52,916)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,689,833	6,682,633

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,391,021	$4,636,069
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,778,075	$4,027,738

-30- 1090

#90320c0905 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Trans-Western Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$695,076	$503,727
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$18,561	$(37,370)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,923,454	$5,058,692
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$84,108	$46,725

-30- 986

#90320c0906 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Virginia Beach Federal Savings Bank. (TICKER: VABF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$581,000	$5,279,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.11	$1.06

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$725,698,000	$780,550,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$39,089,000	$37,049,000

-30- 831

#90320c0907 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q r eport filed at the NASD by Colonial Bancgroup Inc.(TICKER: CLBG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$396,000	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,384,000	$778,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.37	$0.12

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,506,026,000	$1,482,796,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$76,477,000	$72,869,000

-30- 864

#90320c0908 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Healthwatch Inc.(TICKER: HEAL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$995,271	$608,368
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(465,915)	$7,732
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.19)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,408,300	2,343,087

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,527,017	$9,284,040
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,754,890	$5,219,805

-30- 1063
#90320c0909 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY J.M. DAVIS OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 3,962,987 SHARES (21.90%) OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC.(TICKER: IPIC) OF LEXINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 9 to Nov. 8, 1990, J.M. Davis et al. purchased 18,085 shares for $1.38 to $1.81 per share, 3,500 class A warrants for $.44 to $.56 per share, and 21,255 units for $5.63 to $7.13 per share.

-30- 602
#90320c0910 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY L. JESSELSON OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 296,732 SHARES (32.90%) OF CAROLYN BEAN PUBLISHING LTD. (TICKER: CBEN) OF HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As of Nov. 14, 1990, Carolyn Bean Publishing LTD. accepted M. Jesselson's subscription for an additional 88,000 shares pursuant to the company's announced private placement for $1.60 per share.

-30- 581
#90320c0911 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

NYCOR INC. OWNS 2,200,000 SHARES (8.23%) OF ZENITH ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER:

ZE) OF GLENVIEW, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 15, 1990 NYCOR Inc. filed with the FTC and the Antitrust Division of the Dept. of Justice a notification and report form under the HSR Antitrust Improvements Act for the purpose of obtaining clearance to purchase more than $15 million in value and up to 15 percent of Zenith Electronics Corp. common shares.

-30- 644

#90320c0915 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Major Realty Corp.(TICKER: MAJR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$705,000	$3,244,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,304,000)	$(141,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.19)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,893,000	7,335,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$61,476,000	$33,684,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,013,000	$9,162,000

-30- 1076

#90320c0916 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by International Leisure Enterprises Inc. (TICKER: ILEX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$626,996	$2,614,426
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(482,829)	$(62,776)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,194,675	3,416,166

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$33,246,141	$36,269,768
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$882,290	$2,698,464

-30- 1111

#90320c0917 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Palm Springs Savings Bank.(TICKER: PSSB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$134,000	$85,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.19	$0.12

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$136,624,000	$139,784,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,029,000	$4,623,000

-30- 822

#90320c0918 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by National Bancorp of Alaska Inc.(TICKER: NBAK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$7,399,000	$6,513,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.93	$0.82
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,968,800	7,968,800

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,101,884,000	$2,139,923,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$214,012,000	$196,103,000

-30- 899

#90320c0919 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by TJ Systems Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,856,471	$1,899,919
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$230,072	$26,866
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$0.01

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,686,456	$15,118,477
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,737,127	$893,561

-30- 985

#90320c0920 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cupertino National Bancorp.(TICKER: CUNB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$412,000	$278,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.41	$0.49

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$120,039,000	$103,795,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,073,000	$10,047,000

-30- 818

#90320c0921 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Home Savings Bank S.L.A.(TICKER: FSPG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$94,720	$371,957
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	$0.48
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	772,353	772,353

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$156,383,440	$143,161,354
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,427,155	$13,917,735

-30- 884

#90320c0923 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Crown Brands Inc.(TICKER: CRON).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,212,054	$5,830,107
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(194,215)	$(383,164)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,150,000	3,150,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$17,899,605	$17,732,248
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,874,101	$1,667,637

-30- 1072

#90320c0924 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Scorpion Technologies Inc.(TICKER: SCPN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$770,923	$812,729
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(9,077)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(129,661)	$(72,615)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,727,811	5,715,862

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,922,298	$3,011,786
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$607,838	$462,335

-30- 1096

#90320c0925 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Elmira Savings Bank FSB.(TICKER: ESBK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$236,569	$225,841
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.40	$0.38
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	596,412	596,412

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$196,398,864	$188,898,461
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$12,178,583	$12,007,507

-30- 881

#90320c0926 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Landmark/Community Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: LCBI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(19,010,000)	$(4,724,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(3.66)	$(0.90)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$334,187,000	$377,435,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(1,555,000)	$18,428,000

-30- 834

#90320c0927 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Giant Pacific Petroleum Inc. (TICKER: GPPX) Figures are reported in Canadian dollars.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$482,081	$517,756
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(284,010)	$(124,287)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,962,065	$2,203,160
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,836,272	$2,120,282

-30- 1052

#90320c0928 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 16, 1990, Corporate Management Group Inc.(TICKER: KORP) (the "Company"), JW Charles Financial Services Inc. ("JWC Financial") and JW Charles Group Inc. ("JWC Group") entered an agreement providing for JWC Financial to be merged with and into the Company.

The Company's shareholders approved the merger proposal on Oct. 30, 1990.

They voted to authorize 5.0 million shares of special stock and to designate 2.0 million of such shares as Series A Special Distribution Stock to be issued in the merger to JWC Group.

The merger became effective Nov. 1, 1990.

As a result of the merger, the Company acquired all the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of JWC Financial's wholly-owned operating subsidiaries that are members of NASD - JW Charles Securities Inc., Broker Dealer Services Inc. and JW Charles Capital Inc.

In other news, the Company on Nov. 1, 1990, entered an employment agreement with Marshall T. Leeds, to serve as president and chief executive officer through Dec. 31, 1993.

-30- 1263

#90320c0929 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 1 1990, FirstBank Shinnston was merged into First Fidelity Bancorp Inc., (TICKER: FFWV) pursuant to a plan of merger between the companies dated Sept. 29, 1989.

Under the terms of the merger, each share of FirstBank Shinnston stock

outstanding was either converted, at the option of the holder, into common stock, preferred stock, or cash on a pro rata basis.

Cash in the amount of $1.51 million was paid to former FirstBank Shinnston shareholders, along with the issuance of 10,000 shares of First Fidelity preferred stock and 352,646 shares of First Fidelity common stock.

The transaction was accounted for as a purchase.

Terms of the agreement were that no more than 25% of FirstBank Shinnston could be exchanged for preferred stock and no more than 20% could be exchanged for cash.

-30- 1036

#90320c0931 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bethel Bancorp.(TICKER: BTHL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$256,693	$313,190
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.48	$0.59
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	536,200	529,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$141,333,928	$139,774,526
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,737,863	$10,533,490

-30- 870

#90320c0932 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sage Broadcasting Corp.(TICKER: SAGB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$1,066,390	$2,142,857
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,328,038	$(1,156,990)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.33	$(0.29)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,001,168	4,001,168

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$20,091,504	$28,615,344
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,497,716	$364,061

-30- 1086
#90320c0933 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.J. ORLANDO OF 140 ADAMS AVE, SUITE A-5, HAUPPAUGE, NEW YORK 11788, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF TJ SYSTEMS CORP. THROUGH GK SCOTT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 8, 1990.

(TJ SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 516 273-9130)

-30- 397
#90320c0934 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L. FOX OF 2600 SOUTH GESSNER, SUITE 412, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77063, HAS FILED TO SELL 110,000 SHARES OF SPARTA SURGICAL CORP. THROUGH MH MEYERSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 13, 1990.

(SPARTA SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 415 887-7717)

-30- 407
#90320c0935 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K.J. KOOCK OF 2 ROBIN HILL RD, N. CALDWELL, NEW JERSEY 07006, HAS FILED TO SELL 110,000 SHARES OF SPARTA SURGICAL CORP. THROUGH MH MEYERSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 13, 1990.

(SPARTA SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 415 887-7717)

-30- 412
#90320c0936 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K.H. COX OF 2024 NAUDAIN ST, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19146, HAS FILED TO SELL 38,000 SHARES OF ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC.(TICKER: ICGN) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 13, 1990.

(ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 625-0700)

-30- 428
#90320c0937 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CADWALADER ASSOCIATES OF 2655 PHILMONT AVE, HUNTINGTON VALLEY, PENNSYLVANIA 19006, HAS FILED TO SELL 55,000 SHARES OF ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: ICGN) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 14, 1990.

(ICC TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 625-0700)

-30- 465
#90320c0982 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, M.D. NELSON, DIR. OF BLOUNT INC. (TICKER: BLT), BOUGHT 1,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 299
#90320c0983 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, T.L. WHALEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTSHARES OF TEXAS INC. BOUGHT 7,880 SHARES AT $8.57 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,197.

-30- 337
#90320c0984 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, T.L. WHALEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTSHARES OF TEXAS INC. BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $8.57 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 265,804.

-30- 341
#90320c0985 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, P.H. BOWER, DIR. OF PENNS WOODS BANCORP BOUGHT 555 SHARES AT $51.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 293
#90320c0986 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, L.S. BOWES, DIR. OF PENNS WOODS BANCORP BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $51.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,611.

-30- 293
#90320c0987 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, R.W. PETERSON, DIR. OF TRICO BANCSHARES BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,192.

-30- 294
#90320c0988 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, R.J. STERN, DIR. OF TRICO BANCSHARES BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,196.

-30- 290
#90320c0990 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 11, 1990, J.D. FLOWERS, DIR. OF ANCHOR FINANCIAL CORP. SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,572.

-30- 302
#90320c0991 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, PAWNEE PETROLEUM CO, BEN. OWNER OF TIDE WEST OIL CO. (TICKER: TIDE) BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,079,500.

-30- 339
#90320c0992 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, PAWNEE PETROLEUM CO, BEN. OWNER OF TIDE WEST OIL CO. (TICKER: TIDE) BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 336
#90320c0993 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 15, 1990, S.D. BLAIR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNITED ARTISTS ENTERTAINMENT INC.(TICKER: UAEC) SOLD 4,300 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90320c0994 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 15, 1990, S.D. BLAIR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNITED ARTISTS ENTERTAINMENT INC.(TICKER: UAEC) SOLD 4,300 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90320c0995 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 11, 1990, J.D. BIDLACK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MOOG INC. (TICKER: MOG), BOUGHT 1,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,481.

-30- 323
#90320c0996 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 22, 1990, MOOG INC. ESSOP, BEN. OWNER OF MOOG INC. (TICKER: MOG) BOUGHT 3,879 CLASS A SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 263,953.

-30- 314
#90320c0998 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 11, 1990, J.F. DYER, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90320c0999 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, J.F. DYER, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 306
#90320c1000 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, L.G. GOLDBERG, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,953.

-30- 313
#90320c1001 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, W.A. HODDER, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWN), BOUGHT 119 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,322.

-30- 303
#90320c1002 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, R.L. KNOWLTON, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWN), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $13.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,200.

-30- 313
#90320c1003 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 15, 1990, D.A. KOCH, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,743.

-30- 305

#90320c1004 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 11, 1990, R.M. KOVACEVICH, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,500.

-30- 318
#90320c1006 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, J.E. PEARSON, CHAIRMAN OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,554.

-30- 320
#90320c1007 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, C.A. WURTELE, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWN) BOUGHT 119 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,244.

-30- 305
#90320c1008 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, A.A. RIEDEL, CHAIRMAN OF RIEDEL ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: REI), SOLD 2,031,668 SHARES AT $6.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90320c1009 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, A.A. RIEDEL, CHAIRMAN OF RIEDEL ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: REI), BOUGHT 2,031,668 SHARES AT $6.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,047,448.

-30- 370
#90320c1010 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, W.S. GHEGAN, VP OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS), SOLD 9,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90320c1011 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 22, 1990, R.W. ROSS, DIV. OFFICER OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS), SOLD 4,100 CLASS A SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90320c1012 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, R.W. ROSS, DIV. OFFICER OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC.(TICKER: TBS), SOLD 1,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90320c1014 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, R.W. ROSS, DIV. OFFICER OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC.(TICKER: TBS), SOLD 8,900 CLASS A SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90320c1015 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, R.W. ROSS, DIV. OFFICER OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC.(TICKER: TBS), SOLD 1,500 CLASS A SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90320c1016 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, R.W. ROSS, DIV. OFFICER OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS), SOLD 500 CLASS A SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90320c1017 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, R.W. ROSS, DIV. OFFICER OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC.(TICKER: TBS), SOLD 2,100 CLASS A SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90320c1018 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, R.W. ROSS, DIV. OFFICER OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC.(TICKER: TBS), SOLD 1,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90320c1019 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, R.W. ROSS, DIV. OFFICER OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS), SOLD 1,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 450.

-30- 349
#90320c1020 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, J.M. TEMPLETON, DIR. OF TEMPLETON GLOBAL INCOME FUND INC. (TICKER: GIM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,600.

-30- 346
#90320c1022 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, R.C. GILBERT, DIR. OF WHEELABRATOR TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: WTI), SOLD 6,242 SHARES AT $37.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,180.

-30- 335
#90320c1023 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, T.J. ANDERSON, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: HEBC) BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,072.

-30- 311
#90320c1024 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, F.M. TABOR, VP OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(TICKER: HEBC) BOUGHT 783 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 302
#90320c1025 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, W.E. SCHREIBER, DIR. OF WINTER SPORTS INC. BOUGHT 2,071 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,159.

-30- 297
#90320c1026 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY TEXAS ART SUPPLY CO. OF NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 503,934 SHARES (9.89%) OF AEROVOX INC (TICKER: ARVX) OF NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Company has a loan agreement with First City National Bank of Houston which is secured and presently sufficiently collateralized to permit the Company to borrow all of the $1,788,646 it required to purchase the 475,300 shares of common stock which were acquired by the Company.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Texas Art Supply Co. purchased 69,500 shares from Aug. 10 to Nov. 15, 1990 for $2.63 to $4.26 per share.

-30- 802
#90320c1027 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

D.A. ROCKER OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 156,900 SHARES (3.50%) OF BEEBAS CREATIONS INC (TICKER: BEBA).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 23 through Nov. 6, 1990, D.A. Rocker sold 86,400 shares at a price of $3.63 to $3.94 per share.

-30- 435
#90320c1028 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY SANTA ROSA FUND OWNS 115,000 SHARES (6.90%) OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCAST SYSTEMS LTD (TICKER: IBSL) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 13 through Nov. 14, 1990, Santa Rosa Fund, Et Al. acquired 30,000 class A common shares at a price of $1.31 to $1.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

-30- 540
#90320c1030 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

WMS INDUSTRIES INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 453,859 SHARES (7.90%) OF DIVI HOTELS NV (TICKER: DVH).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Palmer Companies are also deemed to be the beneficial owner of the beneficial shares by virtue of their right to acquire the shares within sixty days of Nov. 9, 1990 and their right to direct the vote.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 7 through Nov. 9, 1990, WMS Industries Inc. sold 98,500 shares at a price of $0.50 to $0.63 per share.

PURPOSE:

Disposition of securities.

-30- 705
#90320c1031 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY S.N. PHELPS OWNS 133,965 SHARES (6.80%) OF FIRST LIBERTY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FLFC) OF MACON, GEORGIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

There are 1,971,218 shares of the common stock and S.N. Phelps, et al. own 149,965 shares, representing 7.6 percent of the outstanding shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 19, 1990 through Nov. 9, 1990, S.N. Phelps, et al. purchased 33,500 shares at a price of $4.75 to $5.50 per share.

-30- 655
#90320c1032 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY TIGER OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 776,100 SHARES (35.68%) OF DELPHI FINANCIAL GROUP INC.(TICKER: DLFI) OF WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 6 through Nov. 8, 1990, Tiger, et al. purchased 25,000 shares at a price of $8.87 to $9 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 514
#90320c1033 11/16/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 207,780 SHARES (5.10%) OF DESOTO INC.(TICKER: DSO) OF DES PLAINES, ILLINOIS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 2 to Nov. 14, 1990, Gamco Investors, et al. purchased 198,100 shares and sold 19,020 shares for $37.48 to $42.78 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 535
#90320c1034 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 2,224,000 SHARES (70.66%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO. INC. (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 23 to Nov. 7, 1990, Walsh Greenwood & Co., et al. purchased 7,300 class A shares for $8.38 to $8.88 per share and 1,800 preferred shares for $32 per share.

-30- 557
#90320c1035 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 45,950 SHARES (29.05%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO. INC. (TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 23 to Nov. 7, 1990, Walsh Greenwood & Co., et al. purchased 7,300 class A shares for $8.38 to $8.88 per share and 1,800 preferred shares for $32 per share.

-30- 555
#90320c1036 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

GROUP LED BY WALSH GREENWOOD & CO. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 588,900 SHARES (76.39%) OF SIGNAL APPAREL CO. INC.(TICKER: SIA) OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 23 to Nov. 7, 1990, Walsh Greenwood & Co., et al. purchased 7,300 class A shares for $8.38 to $8.88 per share and 1,800 preferred shares for $32 per share.

-30- 555
#90320c1038 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 912,600 SHARES (5.00%) OF UNION PLANTERS CORP.(TICKER: UPC).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 378
#90320c1039 11/16/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 1,764,300 SHARES (9.90%) OF HARLEY DAVIDSON INC.(TICKER: HDI) OF MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 404
#90320d8510 11/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAKARTA (NOV. 17) - The Indonesian government will not tolerate a new rival trade union movement and will only recognise the All Indonesian Workers Union (SPSI), the leading Kompas daily said Saturday.

"The government will not accept the new trade union when it registers with the Home Affairs Ministry. Its existence cannot be tolerated," Kompas quoted Coordinating Minister for Political and Security Affairs Sudomo as saying.

A number of human rights campaigners led by Johannes Princen announced on Thursday the creation of the Setia Kawan (Solidarity) Free Trade Union saying

that the SPSI had failed to defend workers' interests.

Mr. Princen, making the announcement, said the movement was designed to free from the influence of employers and the government and it has already recruited 5,000 workers from Jakarta and surrounding districts.

Mr. Sudomo said the government would only recognise one organisation for every profession and the SPSI is the sole recognised grouping for workers.

The SPSI was set up in 1973 through a government-sponsored merger of various non-communist unions and adopted its present name in 1985 from the Federation of All Indonesian Workers (FBSI).

Workers' organisations previously linked to the Communist Party of Indonesia (PKI) were disbanded after the party itself was outlawed in 1966, a year after an abortive coup attempt which the army blamed on the communists.

-30- 1607

#90322d7070 11/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (NOV. 19) - Plans to privatise the two state-owned airlines are likely to be postponed because of the depressed state of the aviation industry, the Australian Government said Monday.

The government had hoped to raise 800 million dollars (609 million U.S.) through the 49 percent sale of the international airline Qantas and one billion dollars (760 million U.S.) from the privatisation of the domestic carrier Australian Airlines.

But Finance Minister Ralph Willis confirmed Monday the sales may not now go ahead until 1992.

Like most international airlines, Qantas has been badly hit by rising fuel prices caused by the Gulf crisis.

But it also suffered heavy losses because of a long domestic airline strike last year and last week reported an operating loss of 125 million dollars (95 million U.S.) for the year to June 30.

It has also announced plans to slash its workforce by 500 as a survival measure.

Qantas Chairman Bill Dix said Sunday the airline was not for the time being an attractive investment and it could be as late as 1992 before the sales went ahead.

Mr. Dix said he doubted the profitability of Australian Airlines "would be satisfactory to the marketplace in terms of privatisation at this point in

time, either."

Mr. Willis agreed that times were not right and that the sales might not go ahead until 1992.

"We're looking at, in the case of both airlines, a sale which probably would not be finalised until next financial year at least."

-30- 1704

#90322d7120 11/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (NOV. 19) - Malaysia has decided to buy 28 Hawk fighter-bombers for two billion dollars (740 million U.S.) from Britain, press reports said.

The reports Sunday cited Defence Ministry secretary-general Nasruddin Bahari as saying that the first aircraft, which will complement and later replace Malaysia's ageing Skyhawks, could be delivered in 1993.

He said that the government will buy 10 single-seater Hawk 100 and 18 twin-seater Hawk 200, which would be used for training.

Mr. Nasruddin said the defence ministry expected to conclude the deal this month with the aircraft manufacturers, British Aerospace.

The Hawk deal is part of a 4.5 billion dollars (1.6 billion U.S.) arms deal with Britain under an outline agreement signed in 1988.

-30- 939

#90322d7140 11/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 19) - Just two weeks before the pan-German elections, Chancellor Helmut Kohl has finally admitted that new taxes may be needed to help pay the soaring cost of German unity.

His government also said it was contemplating selling capital in Telekom, the giant telephone monopoly, in another move that would help its depleted coffers.

After having denied for nearly a year that unification would add to the fiscal burden, Mr. Kohl made the admission after a week in which he was accused of building a mountain of debt for future taxpayers.

Speaking in a media interview and election rallies this weekend, Mr. Kohl indicated that he would impose new, specialised taxes, such as a charge on pollutant gas emissions.

"We can't escape it," he said. "Citizens will have to pay more one way or another during the next parliament."

"I say that there will not be an increase in income tax in connection with the problems of German unity," he said in the interview. "I did not say there would no increase in income taxes or indirect taxation."

The chancellor acknowledged, however, that for the average citizen, "the difference between income tax and indirect taxation is irrelevant, as it all has to come out of the same wallet."

Finance Minister Theo Waigel, in an interview in Monday's edition of Der Spiegel magazine, evoked the idea of introducing a Swiss-style toll for motorways, free at present in Germany.

He also envisaged imposing an unemployment levy on civil servants, who in reality face little risk of the dole queue, equal to one per cent of their income.

But his ministry denied a report in Bild am Sonntag that he planned to increase standard value-added tax (VAT) from 14 to 16 percent, to garner around 30 billion Deutsche marks (20 billion dollars) a year.

Meanwhile, Telecommunications Minister Christian Schwarz-Schilling said Sunday the government was studying the possibility of injections of private capital in Telekom.

He did not say how much private money would be permitted, but denied a report, also in Monday's Spiegel, that Telekom would be completely sold off.

The agency's state-owned status is enshrined in Germany's Constitution, which can only be modified by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the parliaments. To privatise it would require the support of the opposition Social Democratic Party (SPD).

The shift of the centre-right government came in the final phase of campaigning for the December 2 elections, the first free democratic poll in all of Germany since the rise of Adolf Hitler.

Mr. Kohl, who is well ahead in the opinion polls, is accused by the SPD of having under-estimated the cost of his dash for unity, and hiding the huge bill from the German public.

That criticism widened and amplified last week, when the cabinet agreed on a 1991 draft budget that sees public-sector borrowing ballooning to 140 billion marks (95.2 billion dollars), or five percent of gross national product.

The figure this year is likely to be 100 billion marks. Last year it was only 25 billion marks. The draft foresees no increase in taxation, although Mr. Waigel said he was interested in selling state assets.

Mr. Kohl's admission on taxation delighted the SPD's candidate for the chancellorship, Oskar Lafontaine, who said "the structure of lies surrounding the financing of German unity has collapsed."

But it dismayed Otto Lambsdorff, head of the Free Democratic Party (FDP), the junior coalition member.

"I am astonished, it is a mistake," he said. Such statements "perturb economic circles," he said, adding that the FDP would not accept tax hikes.

-30- 3899

#90322u1166 11/18/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 19) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	9	1	0	.900	288	150	5-1	W-8
Miami	8	1	0	.889	192	96	6-0	W-6
Indianapolis	4	6	0	.400	142	210	2-3	W-2
New York Jets	4	7	0	.364	192	233	1-5	L-2
New England	1	9	0	.100	130	271	1-6	L-8
CENTRAL								
Cincinnati	6	4	0	.600	239	228	2-1	W-1
Houston	5	5	0	.500	229	192	2-1	W-1
Pittsburgh	5	5	0	.500	174	174	1-2	L-1
Cleveland	2	8	0	.200	151	270	1-2	L-5
WEST								
LA Raiders	6	3	0	.667	170	137	4-1	L-2
Kansas City	6	4	0	.600	219	148	2-3	W-1
San Diego	5	6	0	.455	224	190	2-2	L-1
Seattle	4	6	0	.400	196	206	2-4	L-1
Denver	3	6	0	.333	197	224	2-2	L-2

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	10	0	0	1.000	246	110	6-0	W-10
Philadelphia	6	4	0	.600	251	209	2-3	W-4
Washington	6	4	0	.600	230	186	4-3	W-1
Dallas	4	7	0	.364	149	225	0-5	W-1
Phoenix	2	8	0	.200	138	264	2-3	L-5

CENTRAL								
Chicago	9	1	0	.900	245	139	4-0	W-6
Green Bay	5	5	0	.500	200	217	2-3	W-2
Minnesota	4	6	0	.400	218	209	1-4	W-3
Tampa Bay	4	7	0	.364	177	274	4-1	L-5
Detroit	3	7	0	.300	213	257	1-4	L-3
WEST								
San Francisco	10	0	0	1.000	253	151	3-0	W-10
New Orleans	4	6	0	.400	188	195	0-2	L-1
Atlanta	3	7	0	.300	255	275	1-3	L-3
Los Angeles Rams	3	7	0	.300	219	282	1-0	L-2

-30- 2163

#90323b0017 11/19/1990 ~Business Wire

DENVER (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Cellular Inc. (NASDAQ: CELS) announced the election of two new members to its board of directors, John E. Hayes Jr. and Mark W. Dreher.

Hayes is chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of the Kansas Power and Light Co., the fifth largest combined gas and electric utility in the nation with customers in Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma.

Previously Hayes served as chairman, president and chief executive officer of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. and was chairman of the board of Triad Capital Partners, a St. Louis venture capital firm.

Hayes joined Southwestern Bell in 1959. He worked extensively in the areas of customer service, operations and finance before moving to Topeka as vice president-Kansas. He was responsible for all Southwestern Bell operations in the state from 1978 through 1982.

An active leader in community and professional organizations, he serves as a board member of Boatmen's Bancshares Inc., St. Louis; the Automobile Club of Missouri; American Gas Association; the Topeka Community Foundation; Boys Hope; and the American Royal Association.

He is chairman of the Kansas City Region March of Dimes Walk America and the 1990 Fund Chairman for Topeka's Ronald McDonald House. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Menninger Foundation, Midwest Research Institute, and Rockhurst College.

Hayes is also a member of the Edison Electric Institute, the Civic Council of Kansas City, the Kansas Association of Commerce and Industry, the Kansas Cavalry, the Nelson-Atkins Gallery in Kansas City, Mo., and Jayhawk Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Mark W. Dreher is vice president, market operations, Cellular Inc. In his five years with the company, he has succeeded to various responsibilities, including treasurer and controller. He is credited with playing a major role in reaching the company's RSA penetration expectations.

Dreher is responsible for establishing and achieving customer hookup goals in each of the company's markets, as well as for back-office support in the areas of customer billing and revenue management. He also has responsibility for hiring and training salespeople and customer service representatives. Prior to joining Cellular Inc., Dreher worked for Motorola C & E Inc., in various marketing and sales functions.

In a separate and unrelated action, Arnold C. Pohs, president and chief executive officer of Cellular Inc., announced the resignation of Monroe M. Rifkin from his position as a member of the board of directors.

Cellular Inc., founded in 1983, is engaged in the business of managing, financing and operating its cellular telephone interests located in 17 states. Currently, the company has interests in a total of 85 metropolitan statistical area (MSA) and rural service area (RSA) markets and affiliations with more than 150 independent telephone companies.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Micro Devices (AMD), Amdahl Corp. and Signetics Co. have established a unique relationship in their attempt to improve employee benefits and response to child care needs.

The three companies have signed an agreement with the Northwest YCMA to establish a licensed preschool at the San Miguel School in Sunnyvale.

Under the agreement, the corporations provide site improvement capital and the YMCA will operate a licensed preschool site with an advisory committee of parents, community and YMCA representatives.

Each corporation has allotted spaces in the preschool. One allotment equals space for seven full-time children. AMD and Signetics each have one allotment while Amdahl has two. The preschool will open with 30 spaces available and can expand to 60 spaces.

The corporations will be responsible for filling their allotted spaces. Registration will take place at the Northwest YMCA.

Parents with enrolled children will be responsible for paying the tuition at a weekly rate of $90. A second child discount of 10 percent will be given.

The preschool will be open from 6:30 a.m. until 6 p.m., five days a week beginning Dec. 3, 1990.

The Northwest YMCA will host an Open House at the preschool for employees of the corporations Nov. 28 from 3 until 6 p.m. and on Dec. 19 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

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WATSONVILLE, CALIF. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - West Marine Products is pleased to announce the promotion of Richard Everett, 37, to senior vice president of store operations.

Everett started at West Marine Products in 1980 as a salesperson in their Sausalito store. He was later promoted to manager in charge of opening a new store in Santa Cruz.

In the fall of 1983, Everett moved to Southern California as regional manager to oversee the conversion of a chain of six stores, Newport Supply to West Marine Products stores.

In 1985 he returned to Northern California as vice president of store operations and assumed the leadership of 11 of West Marine Products' stores.

West Marine Products, with sales of $62 million, is one of the most successful retailer/cataloger/wholesalers of pleasure boat supplies in the United States. The company operates 15 retail outlets from Seattle to San Diego. The company also operates wholesale and mail order catalog divisions nationwide. West Marine Products has headquarters in Watsonville.

For additional information, contact Susan Altmann at West Marine Products.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Bainbridge Laboratories Inc., Bainbridge Island, Wash., and Amersham Corp., Arlington Heights, Ill., announced Monday that they have signed a marketing agreement for TuMark-LASA, a new cancer test.

The new test detects Lipid Associated Sialic Acid (LASA), which is often found in elevated levels in individuals with cancer. TuMark-LASA was developed by Bainbridge Laboratories and is the first commercial test kit available to measure LASA levels.

Under the terms of the agreement, Amersham will obtain exclusive rights to market TuMark-LASA in the United States and Canada as a research product. Bainbridge Laboratories will manufacture the product and provide technical support. Amersham plans to begin marketing the product immediately. The companies will also work together to develop new cancer tests for the research market.

''There is significant clinical interest in testing for LASA,'' said Max Lyon, Bainbridge's chief executive officer. ''With the introduction of this test kit, commercial laboratories will be able to test for LASA without having to make their own chemical reagents.'' Elevated levels of LASA have been reported in breast, liver, lung, colorectal, gastroenteric and ovarian cancers as well as leukemia, lymphomas and melanomas. Clinical reference laboratories offer LASA testing as means of monitoring cancer activity, especially when used in conjunction with other tumor marker tests.

Bainbridge Laboratories is a biotechnology company that develops and manufactures diagnostic tests for cancer, infectious disease and other disease states. The company has also developed TuMark-BTA, a test for the diagnosis and monitoring of bladder cancer, and G-Mark, a culture confirmation test for gonorrhea.

Amersham Corp. is an international corporation that develops, manufactures and markets clinical diagnostic tests, radiopharmaceuticals, environmental assays and measurement and detection systems for the life sciences and industrial markets. Amersham currently markets numerous cancer diagnostic products including exclusive marketing of Centocor's CA-125, CA19-9, and CA15-3 products in the United States. Amersham's 1990 revenues were approximately $400 million.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Supermail International Inc. (NASDAQ: SPML) Monday reported nine-month and third-quarter revenue gains of more than 50 percent over prior-year levels.

Nine-month revenues rose to $2,879,635, from $1,886,080, according to Christine A. Umbertino, president and chief executive officer. The net loss for the period amounted to $459,359 (five cents per share) versus $588,563 (six cents per share) for the same period last year.

Third-quarter revenues rose to $952,422, from $626,828 a year ago. Net loss for the quarter was $305,298 (three cents per share) as compared to $154,644 (two cents per share) for the same quarter last year.

Nine-month and third-quarter operations continued to yield losses. This was due largely to the company's continuing aggressive acquisition program. Because of the company's low stock price and tight cash position, the company is having to finance the acquisitions with debt and with the future earnings of the acquired entities.

Moreover, the company expenses the cost of intangible assets acquired - such as covenants not to compete - against current and next year's earnings. This has the beneficial effect of reducing income tax liabilities but has no impact on cash flow generated, Umbertino explained.

The company is of the opinion that acquisitions so far have been on exceedingly favorable terms for Supermail, allowing the company to recapture its investment in two years or less. The company acquires a proven location with a known volume of business and profitablity and can then immediately expand operations by adding other services offered by Supermail.

During the nine months, the company made three such acquisitions which together generate $950,000 in annualized revenues and generate $450,000 in cash-flow income.

Umbertino stated that while an acquisition program of this magnitude for a company of Supermail's size and scope, delays the company's profitability, it also offers other, more than offsetting advantages.

Among the more important of these advantages are the eventual economies of size and the improved terms the company can negotiate with its money transfer providers as it has more locations. It is these advantages that allow the company to cash more than $100 million worth of checks a year with a capital investment of only a few hundred thousand dollars.

Supermail International operates 20 check cashing and retail money centers in California and Nevada. These locations offer a variety of financial services to consumer and small businesses, including money transfer, check cashing,

Peso exchange, utility payments, lottery and lotto tickets, food stamps, facsimile and data transmission as well as packaging, shipping, and other postal services. Supermail is also the largest, independent Western Union agent in the West.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The Coastal Corp. announced a management reorganization in response to the company's expanding refining, marketing, supply, and transportation activities.

According to Dennis F. Juren, executive vice president, refining, marketing, supply, and transportation, the changes will be phased in gradually to assure operational continuity.

Dan J. Hill is senior vice president, marketing, and will be responsible for all refined product marketing, excluding retail operations. Jack C. Pester is senior vice president, retail marketing, and will be responsible for the Coastal Mart convenience stores, Coastal's branded dealer program and Coastal Unilube Inc.

Hill's responsibilities include three geographic regions which will market petroleum products for all subsidiaries within these areas, except for petrochemical, commercial aviation jet fuel and LPG, which remain centralized.

The northeast region is headed up by Frederick W. Taubert who continues as president of Coastal Oil New York Inc. and Coastal Oil New England Inc.

The southeast region will be managed by Alberto N. Espino, who has been elected executive vice president of Coastal Fuels Marketing and president of Coastal Tug and Barge Inc. The Mid-Continent region will be directed by Stephen C. Boyd, who has been elected senior vice president, Coastal Refining and Marketing Inc.

M. Clay Chambers has been elected senior vice president, refined product supply and distribution, for Coastal Refining and Marketing Inc. This function is responsible for domestic and Caribbean/ Latin America refined product supply and distribution and trading activities. Chambers has been vice president, refining.

Jack J. Lipinski has been elected vice president, refining, for Coastal's refining subsidiaries. He has responsibility for all domestic refineries and the company's Aruba refinery, and will direct the refining economics and planning group. Lipinski had been vice president and general manager of

Coastal Eagle Point Oil Co.

The Coastal Corp. is a Houston-based energy holding company. It has consolidated assets of $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal and chemicals and independent power production.

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WALNUT CREEK, CALIF. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of the West Monday introduced Prime Rate Equity Line which provides home equity lines to individuals and families at the same interest rate enjoyed by many big corporate borrowers.

Because the interest rate for Bank of the West's Prime Rate Equity Line is equal to the prime rate quoted in The Wall Street Journal which is presently 10 percent, borrowers do not pay the expensive interest spreads normally charged by other banks and savings and loans.

The interest spreads on other banks' and savings and loans' equity lines may be as high as 1.5 to two percent. Because Prime Rate Equity Line eliminates this spread, Bank of the West borrowers can save thousands of dollars in interest.

''Since home owners are finding money more expensive to borrow from banks and savings and loans, we want to help them by employing our resources to provide them with more affordable loans. We are a Northern California bank and understand our market. We have confidence in the future of Northern Californian residential real estate,'' said Richard T. McGoldrick, executive vice president of Bank of the West.

''Since the inception of Bank of the West's equity lines, we have had excellent credit experience. We feel confident in sharing this positive experience with our customers by reducing the interest rate to prime.

''The Prime Rate Equity Line is another example of the numerous retail products Bank of the West has innovated during our 116 year history to provide better banking services for our customers,'' explained McGoldrick.

Prime Rate Equity Line's interest rate is lower than the rate charged by any of the five largest banks in Northern California.

Prime Rate Equity Line is available to both present and new customers of Bank

of the West.

With $2.6 billion in assets, Bank of the West is one of California's largest community banks. The bank has served Northern California for 116 years. Bank of the West is a member of the Banque Nationale de Paris Group (BNP), one of the world's largest banks. BNP's 2,700 offices in 80 countries enable Bank of the West to provide its customers with a wide range of global banking services.

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SAN MATEO, CALIF. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Properties Inc., the real estate investment subsidiary of Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN), Monday announced the introduction of a new $60-million, equity real estate investment trust offering (REIT) called the Franklin Advantage Real Estate Income Fund.

According to David Goss, president of Franklin Properties Inc., the new fund will acquire, improve, operate and hold for investment equity, interests in existing income-producing retail, commercial and multi-residential properties in California. All the fund's properties will be initially purchased on an all-cash basis.

The fund is expected to pay shareholders quarterly cash dividends in addition to offering capital appreciation potential. Approximately two years after the close of the initial offering, the Fund expects to apply for listing on NASDAQ which should provide market liquidity for Fund shareholders.

During its initial offering, the Franklin Advantage Real Estate Income Fund will offer 6 million shares at $10 per share for a period of up to 18 months. The minimum investment in the Fund is $1000 (or 100 shares), with subsequent investments of $100 or more.

Fund shares will be available nationwide to investors through many of the same investment representatives who currently sell shares of the Franklin Group of Funds.

''We believe California's vibrant economy, with its favorable long-term outlook for growth will continue to offer investors outstanding real estate investment opportunities,'' says Goss.

Franklin Properties Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources Inc., which through its subsidiaries manages the $43-billion, 56-member Franklin Group of Funds.

Franklin Properties Inc., is located at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, Calif.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Rasna Corp., developers of the Mechanica family of design optimization software tools, Monday announced the company has established country-based U.K. operations.

The Rasna U.K. will be headed up by Alan Austin, Ph.D., and Paul Wheeler, Ph.D., formerly with finite element analysis supplier PAFEC Ltd. The company will officially open Jan. 1, 1991.

Applied Structure and Applied Motion are the first tools in the Mechanica family. Applied Structure is a structural analysis and design optimization tool. It provides linear static and modal analyses along with fully automated design sensitivity and design optimization features. Applied Structure is available on both Unix and DOS platforms.

Applied Motion is a full 3D mechanism analysis and design optimization tool. It performs static, assembly, kinematic, dynamic and inverse dynamic functionality. It also provides a fully automated design sensitivity feature to empower design engineers with the ability to quickly find the best design. Currently, Applied Motion is available on Sun MicroSystems Unix workstations.

All Mechanica tools are developed specifically for use by mechanical design engineers. They provide a CAD-like interface, and they are easy to learn and use. These tools have been tested thoroughly. Part of Rasna's development and testing process has included NAFEMS benchmarks.

Austin, who is a member of the Working Group on Education in NAFEMS will work to develop even a tighter relationship between Rasna and NAFEMS.

The development of Mechanica tools is directed by Michael J. Wheeler, vice president of engineering. Wheeler was formerly director of software development for Ansys at Swanson Analysis Systems.

Since the launch of Applied Structure in April 1990, the tool has been purchased by such major U.S. corporations as Ford, Chrysler, NASA, Boeing, Monasco Aerospace and United Technologies among others.

Founded in 1987, Rasna Corp. is an innovator in MCAE software technology. The company develops and markets user-intuitive, design optimization software

tools for mechanical design engineers. Applied Structure and Applied Motion are the first tools in the Mechanica family. Rasna's products are sold worldwide through resellers, strategic partners and OEM relationships.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - In September, Intergraph expanded its MCAE product line with the new I/FEM-p analysis product, a superset of I/FEM. I/FEM-p is based on Rasna's adaptive p-technology as it is implemented in Applied Structure. I/FEM-p provides p-adaptive modeling and analysis.

I/FEM-p uses Geometric Element Modeling (GEM) and Geometric Element Analysis (GEA). Geometric Elements are robust and highly efficient, producing more accurate results and significantly reducing modeling time. GEA provides a user-specified level of accuracy in one pass. This analysis method is adaptive providing efficient use of computer resources.

Next year, Intergraph plans to introduce I/GEM, a superset of I/FEM-p, which will provide Rasna's design sensitivity and design optimization features to Intergraph users.

The I/FEM, I/FEM-p and I/GEM family are all tightly integrated with Intergraph's I/EMS program. With a common database, any I/EMS model changes are automatically updated for analysis. With tight integration, the need for translation is eliminated; therefore a model's integrity and accuracy is not compromised.

I/FEM-p is sold worldwide by Intergraph's direct sales force. Existing I/FEM customers can upgrade to I/FEM-p at a special 20 percent discount price. The discount is available until March 31, 1991.

Intergraph Corp.'s products include a broad range of complementary workstations and network servers, as well as complete application-specific systems for computer-aided design, engineering, manufacturing, and publishing, plus numerous earth science applications.

A "Fortune 500" corporation, Intergraph is the world's largest company dedicated to developing and manufacturing interactive computer graphics systems.

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Intergraph is a registered trademark of Intergraph Corp. Rasna, the Rasna logo Mechanica, Applied Structure and Applied Motion are registered in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office by Rasna Corp. Other brand and product names are trademarks of their respective owners.

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DUBLIN, CALIF. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Hexcel Corp. (NYSE/PSE:HXL) announced that its board of directors Monday amended its Shareholder Rights Plan to include an ''Adverse Person'' flip-in event.

Under the amendment, if the independent directors of the company determine that holdings by a specified person or group in excess of 10 percent of the company's stock are adverse to the company's interest, the rights in the hands of all other shareholders will become exercisable for discount stock.

Details of the amendment will be contained in a company filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Robert L. Witt, president and chairman of Hexcel, stated ''the Adverse Person flip-in was added to the Rights Plan in recognition of the fact that accumulation of substantial amounts of stock by certain persons can be detrimental to the company and its shareholders. It is desirable to give the board of directors greater flexibility to respond to adverse shareholders.''

On Nov. 9, 1990, a group of investors, including Gary N. Siegler and Siegler, Collery & Co., filed a Schedule 13D disclosing that members of the group had purchased, in the aggregate, approximately 5.8 percent of the common stock of Hexcel. On Nov. 15, the Siegler Group disclosed additional purchases, raising its stake to approximately 6.7 percent of Hexcel's common stock.

Hexcel is an international developer and manufacturer of honeycomb, advanced composites, reinforcement fabrics, resins and fine chemicals used in the commercial aerospace, space and defense and other general industrial markets.

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FORT SMITH, AK (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Beverly Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:BEV) has received Administrative Law Judge Linsky's decision recommending that the full NLRB find that Beverly has violated the law, and ordered that Beverly be subject to a nationwide order.

The company views Judge Linsky's recommendation as overly broad and without factual substance or legal authority.

Judge Linsky recommends the NLRB find that 18 terminations out of 100,000 plus employees at 35 affected facilities out of over 1,200 homes are significant enough to warrant a remedy affecting all the company's nursing homes, union and non-union. The company intends to appeal the recommendation to the full NLRB and is confident that his recommendation will not be followed.

Beverly Enterprises is a long-term health care company operating nursing facilities, institutional pharmacies, retirement living centers and home health centers. Its mission is to be the provider of choice in the communities where it operates, by delivering high-quality health care services that meet the unique needs of each of those communities.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Vical Inc. has announced the appointment of Dannie H. King, Ph.D., as executive vice president and chief technical officer and the completion of a $3 million round of financing.

King will be directing Vical's research and development efforts for its lipid-modified drug compounds, utilizing the company's proprietary Prosome technology, and its gene therapy research, according to Wick Goodspeed, president.

''Dr. King brings to Vical nearly 20 years of innovative pharmaceutical research experience,'' said Goodspeed. ''In directing antiviral drug projects for Burroughs Wellcome and Oclassen Pharmaceuticals, his career has been marked by an impressive record of success.''

From 1973 to 1987, King worked for Burroughs Wellcome Co., where he ultimately headed the Department of Infectious Diseases at the company's research facilities in Raleigh, N.C. During that time, King directed antiviral drug projects, resulting in the approval of zidovudine (Retrovir, AZT), acyclovir (Zovirax) and trifluridine (Viroptic), among others.

He has served as the primary scientist in over 20 active INDs and 11 NDAs in the fields of antivirals and other anti-infectives.

From 1987 til joining Vical, King was vice president of research and development for Oclassen Pharmaceuticals Inc. in San Rafael, a biopharmaceutical company focusing on dermatology and sexually transmitted diseases.

Vical also announced it has obtained an additional $3 million in venture capital funding.

Vical Inc. is a biopharmaceutical company with headquarters in San Diego. The company is focusing on the development of novel lipid- modified drug compounds to provide improved pharmacokinetics and the development of a novel approach to gene therapy to deliver therapeutic proteins and vaccines.

In August 1989, Vical signed a multiyear research and development agreement with Burroughs Wellcome Co. to develop lipid-modified AZT compounds, utilizing Vical's proprietary Prosome technology.

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TORONTO, Ontario (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - PROMIS Systems Corp. (PSC), a worldwide leader in advanced shop floor management systems and factory automation, Monday announced the appointment of Elliott Wassarman to the position of president and chief executive officer.

Wassarman has over 20 years of experience in technology companies, directing the marketing, sales, support and development of computer systems, peripherals and software worldwide.

He has served as vice president - marketing and sales at Qume Corp.; North Star Computer Inc.; Televideo Systems; Iomega Inc. and most recently, was president and chief executive officer of Copam USA Inc., a subsidiary of a multi-national Taiwanese computer manufacturer.

Doug Scott, founder and current president of PROMIS, said: ''Given our market position, our technology, our customer base and our growth potential, we knew we could attract a world class leader. With his exceptional track record of performance, I am certain that Elliott will provide the dynamic leadership we need as the company continues to expand beyond its entrepreneurial beginnings.''

Elliott Wassarman remarked: ''Shop floor management systems hold a pivotal

position in assisting manufacturing companies evolve from today's islands of automation to the CIM systems of the future - and PROMIS is well positioned to exploit the growing demand for systems to improve manufacturing competitiveness.

''The expertise of PSC in shop floor management is well proven, and second to none, and their customer base reads like a Who's Who of large and successful multinationals.''

Headquartered in Toronto, Ontario, PROMIS Systems has installed its products in manufacturing facilities throughout North America, Europe and South East Asia. The system operates today in eight different languages, and is installed in 17 countries.

PROMIS is used in a wide variety of industries, including semiconductor wafer fabrication, electronics assembly and the manufacture of pharmaceutical, aerospace parts and medical devices.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - On Nov. 8, the corporation declared a distribution to the holders of common stock for payment to holders of record on Nov. 19.

Based on the number of shares outstanding on Nov. 8, the preliminary distribution was estimated to be 53 cents per share representing the undistributed net investment income for the year 1990 and $1.22 per share representing undistributed net capital gain realized during the year 1990 ($1.16 long term and 6 cents short term).

Since there have been no conversions of preferred stock to common stock between Nov. 8 and the record date, the final amounts are unchanged; 53 cents per share representing the balance of the undistributed net investment income and $1.22 per share representing undistributed net capital gain realized during the year 1990.

Both the capital gain and income dividend are payable Dec. 27, in stock or cash at the option of each common stockholder.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - MOSEL announced Monday that it is sampling 20 nano second 4K by 9 and 2K by 9 FIFOs, the MS7204 and MS7203 in addition to its current speed offerings from 35 to 80 nano second.

The MS7204 is available in 600 mil plastic DIP package and the MS7203 in 300 mil plastic DIP and PLCC packages. These new FIFOs are targeted at high performance applications.

''MOSEL is a complete supplier of FIFO products. We offer a wide range of FIFO products in different package types and speed grades,'' said Jeff Hall, director of Marketing. ''In addition to the current offerings, MOSEL will introduce other FIFO families in the near future including parallel-to-serial FIFOs, pipelined and bidirectional FIFOs.''

FIFOs are used to buffer system processors that operate at different frequencies or as storage elements for A/D converter output and data communications data capture. The typical types of system applications are workstations, video displays, laser printers, data multiplexers and local area networks.

The MS7204 (4K by 9) and MS7203 (2K by 9) are dual-port static RAM based CMOS First-in/First-out (FIFO) memories organized in nine-bit wide words. The devices are configured so that data is read out in the same sequential order that it was written in. The by 9 architecture provides an additional bit which may be used as a parity or control bit.

The dual-port RAM array is internally sequenced by independent read and write pointers with no external addressing needed. Read and write operations are fully asynchronous and may occur simultaneously, even with the device operating at full speed.

The devices also have three status flags, Empty, Full and Half-full, to eliminate data underflow and overflow. Also, on-chip expansion logic is provided to allow for unlimited expansion of both word size and depth.

The MS7204 and MS7203 are available immediately. The 20 nano second MS7204 is $40 each in quantities of 1,000. The 20 nano second MS7203 is $32 in quantities of 1,000.

MOSEL is a manufacturer of state-of-the-art specialty memory products including Latch RAMs, FIFOs, Cache Data RAMs, Dual Port SRAMs, Voice ROMs, Video Color Palette devices in addition to high speed bytewide SRAMs and industrial temperature SRAMs.

With product sales up 75 percent in 1989, the company is one on the fastest growing in the semiconductor industry. MOSEL is located at 914 West Maude Ave., Sunnyvale, CA.

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MILPITAS, CA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - ADAC Laboratories (NASDAQ:ADAC), a leading producer of medical imaging and information products, Monday announced results of operations for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company expects to report revenues of $19.4 million, compared with $27.2 million for the like period a year ago. The company expects to report net income of $264,000, or 1 cent per share, compared with net income of $4.9 million, or 11 cents per share reported in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

For the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company expects to report revenues of $75.7 million compared with $98.1 million for the like period a year ago. The company expects to report net income of $3.3 million, or 8 cents per share was achieved compared with $17.1 million, or 39 cents per share reported for the like period a year ago.

Michael O. Preletz, chairman and chief executive officer, in making the announcement said, ''our current assessment is that throughout fiscal 1990, the company's revenues and earnings were impacted primarily by our customers' restrictive capital equipment budgets and increased competition in significant portions of our product markets. We do not know if these factors will persist in coming quarters.''

The company also announced that just prior to the end of the fiscal year, it commenced shipments of the initial production version of its Pegasys nuclear medicine workstation.

Utilizing a 32-bit architecture on a SUN platform, the Pegasys nuclear medicine workstation provides outstanding graphic displays and when fully configured, will offer nuclear medicine departments the ability to add department management and reporting functions.

ADAC Laboratories, with headquarters in Milpitas, designs, manufactures, markets and services medical imaging and information products worldwide.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - City Resources (Canada) Ltd. (NASDAQ:CIZCF; TSE/VSE:CIZ) announced that it has now received the full proceeds from the sale of part of its interest in mining properties in Papua, New Guinea.

The total amount realized was approximately $3.8 million (Canadian). This amount is higher than anticipated due to interest income earned and favorable exchange rates. The funds are being used to pay creditors and to provide ongoing working capital.

The company also announced that agreement has been reached with ANZ Bank Canada through Barrack Mines Cinola Inc., an affiliated company, to extend repayment of the credit facility from Oct. 31, 1990, to Oct. 31, 1991. In return, the company has prepaid six month's interest and has paid $250,000 against the principal to reduce the amount owing to $1,625,000.

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LOS ANGELES NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - H.F. Ahmanson & Co. (NYSE:AHM), parent company of Home Savings of America and The Bowery Savings Bank, announced Monday that it has completed the acquisition of The Home Savings Bank in a stock transfer valued at approximately $250 million.

Each shareholder of The Home Savings Bank received 1.3889 shares of Ahmanson common stock for each share of The Home Savings Bank common stock held at the close of the transaction.

The Company also announced that prior to the closing, The Home Savings Bank increased its reserve for possible loan losses by $27.5 million pre-tax. In addition, The Home Savings Bank accrued additional expenses of $15.5 million for various costs associated with the acquisition. The net after-tax effect of these actions is approximately $29.4 million.

Richard H. Deihl, chairman and chief executive officer of Ahmanson, said: ''This addition to the reserve for possible loan losses will place The Home Savings Bank on the same method for providing for potential loan losses presently in use at Ahmanson. At the time we entered into the agreement with The Home Savings Bank last April, we anticipated additions to the loan loss reserve due to the differences in the methods used by the two institutions.

''These relate to differing plans for resolving potential problem loans and a differing method for estimating the inherent risks in the loan portfolio. There has been no significant adverse change in the asset quality at The Home Savings Bank that was not contemplated from our initial due diligence review in March and subsequent reviews.

''We continue to believe in the long-term economic strength of New York and its ongoing role as a major financial center,'' he added.

A definitive agreement for the acquisition was signed on April 1, 1990, and regulatory approvals from the New York State Banking Department, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and the Office of Thrift Supervision were received last month.

At Sept. 30, 1990, The Home Savings Bank's total assets were $1.51 billion, deposits totaled $1.14 billion and it had equity capital of $242.3 million. It operates 13 full-service banking offices in the New York metropolitan area.

With the completion of The Home Savings Bank acquisition, Home Savings of America has assets of more than $50 billion and deposits of over $38 billion. It operates 373 savings branches in nine states and 97 mortgage lending offices in 13 states.

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Mary Trigg, 818/814-7922

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Residential customers and businesses would not benefit from the proposed merger of Southern California Edison and San Diego Gas and Electric Co. (SDG&E), said California leaders of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) in announcing the group's opposition to the merger.

''The proposed utility merger is simply not in the best interest of consumers and therefore does not merit AARP's support,'' said Dr. James Black of Del Mar a member of the all volunteer AARP California State Legislative Committee.

''Since households headed by older people spend a larger portion of their income on residential energy than others do, AARP is vitally interested in policies that change the way energy is provided and regulated.''

The average low-income older family spends 17.5 percent of its income on residential energy, according to AARP's Public Policy Institute.

The AARP volunteer added, ''Even those who do not struggle with utility bills

would see few savings from the merger.'' Each residential customer would save no more than $60 through the year 2000, according to testimony presented by an economist to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission earlier this year.

Black expressed concern that the mega-utility could continue to buy electricity from Edison's unregulated affiliate, Mission Energy, at a higher price than energy provided by other independent power producers.

If Southern California Edison took over SDG&E, it would form the largest investor-owned electric utility in the United States.

The California Attorney General, the staff of the state's Public Utility Commission, and the city and county of San Diego oppose the proposed merger of the two utility companies.

With 3 million members in California, AARP is the nation's leading organization of older Americans. It serves their needs and interests through legislative advocacy, research, informative programs and community services provided by a national network of local chapters and experienced volunteers.

The association also offers members a wide range of special benefits, including Modern Maturity magazine and the monthly Bulletin.

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MESA, Ariz. (NOV 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Eagle Entertainment Inc. (NASDAQ:EEGL) Monday reported that total revenues for both the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $2 million.

Net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $208,000, or 14 cents per share (a), compared with a loss of $114,000, or 8 cents per share, for the comparable period last year. For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $83,291, or 6 cents per share, compared with income of $6,285, or $.004 per share, for the same quarter of the prior year.

The above figures reflect the acquisition of Tyndall Motor Co. and Family Finance Co. by Eagle Entertainment on Sept. 14, 1990. On that date Eagle divested itself of Performance Guarantees, its sole operating division. The foregoing numbers, therefore, reflect the operating results of Tyndall Motor and Family Finance for the reporting period of 1990 and only such bottom line numbers as were applicable to Eagle one year ago.

Eagle Entertainment Inc.
Summary of Operations (a)

(unaudited)
For the periods ended Sept. 30
(000 omitted except per share and shares outstanding)

	Three Months		Nine Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total sales	$1,984	$ --	$1,984	$ --
Net income (loss)	83	6	208	(114)
Net income (loss) per share	6 cents	--	14 cents	(8 cents)
Weighted average shares outstanding	1,500	3,456	1,500	3,456

(a) Pro forma income, on a per share basis, reflects the number of shares outstanding (1,500,000) as of the date of this report. T

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JAKARTA, INDONESIA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Garuda Indonesia has signed a purchase agreement with Boeing Commercial Airplanes for three Boeing 747-400s and eight Boeing 737-300s worth $700 million.

The agreement was signed on Nov. 15, 1990 by Garuda Indonesia Commercial Director Soenarjo and R.W. Green of Boeing Commerical Airplanes. Garuda Indonesia said that the new orders were in addition to six Boeing 757-400s and eight Boeing 737-300s ordered in November last year.

This latest agreement brings the total order of Boeing aircraft by Garuda Indonesia to nine Boeing 747-400s, scheduled for delivery between 1994 and 1999, and 16 Boeing 737-300s for delivery between 1994 and 1997, with a total value of $1.8 billion.

Garuda Indonesia will use the 747-400s for services to Europe, the Middle East North America and Japan, while the 737-300s will serve major domestic trunk routes.

The 737-300 aircraft will be powered by CFM 56-3 engines and the 747-400 by CF6-80C2 engines from General Electric.

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NORTHRIDGE, CALIF (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The Grove, a newly rehabilitated, 9.4-acre community shopping center in Northridge that has been revitalized with the arrival of Marshall's, Pier I Imports and The Good Guys stores, has been sold to a Beverly Hills shopping center developer for approximately $26 million, announced Wells Fargo Realty Finance of Los Angeles, the seller's representative.

Chris Lewis, vice president of Wells Fargo Realty Finance, reported that Golden West Properties acquired the property at the strategic southeast corner of Tampa Avenue and Nordhoff Street from Walnut Grove Associates Ltd. of Farmington, Conn.

Earlier, Wells Fargo Realty Finance arranged $16.5 million in construction and rehabilitation financing to make the project possible.

Lewis and George Eckard of Wells Fargo Realty Finance represented the sellers in the real estate sale transaction. Art Ross of A.J. Ross & Associates of Northridge, leasing agent for the project, represented Golden West Properties in their acquisition.

In business for over 10 years, Golden West Properties specializes in shopping center rehabilitations, listing among its area credits the Arcadia Hub Shopping Center and Whittier Quad.

The rehabilitation of The Grove (formerly Walnut Grove) is virtually complete and the center is now over 96 percent leased. The center was 50 percent leased prior to the rehab.

''The success of the rehab program is underscored by the recent (Oct. 9) opening of Marshall's which registered the highest opening day sales volume for any of its stores in Southern California,'' said Ross. The Good Guys opened in early November.

The Grove is a promotional shopping center with 137,996 square feet of rentable space. Approximately 6,000 square feet remains available.

Marshall's anchors the center with a 26,860 square foot store. The Good Guys, a marketer of premium consumer electronic products, has a 16,425 square foot store, while Pier I has a 9,975 square foot facility fronting Tampa.

Designed by McClellan Cruz Gaylord of Pasadena, Calif., the rehab of The Grove features fresh new identity via contemporary signage towers and greatly enhanced street visibility, building facades accenting inviting pastel tones and distinctive gable roof configurations.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Xytronyx Inc. (ASE:XYX), a San Diego-based biotechnology company, Monday announced operating results for the second quarter of fiscal year 1991, ended Sept. 30.

Xytronyx Inc. is engaged in the development and commercialization of products based on biotechnological research primarily in the areas of medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine.

XYTRONYX INC. and SUBSIDIARY
A Development Stage Company
Incorporated Sept. 23, 1983
Consolidated Financial Data
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Six Months Ended Sept. 30,		
	1990	1989	1990	1989	Revenues:
Products	$ --	$ 1,032	$ 27,300	$ 12,392	
Option income	--	--	--	--	
Interest and other	38,366	12,562	76,028	21,570	
	38,366	13,594	103,328	33,962	Expenses:
Cost of products	64,048	23,690	136,424	49,426	
Product development costs	193,940	142,131	371,904	287,129	
General and administrative expenses	269,239	244,175	451,844	417,270	
Interest expense	7,615	6,459	14,366	12,951	
	534,842	416,455	974,538	766,776	
Net (loss)	$(496,476)	$(402,861)	$(871,210)	$(732,814)	
Net (loss) per share	(17 cents)	(25 cents)	(36 cents)	(46 cents)	
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,958,058	1,594,699	2,402,876	1,594,699	

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SANTA ANA, Calif. (NOV 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Alpha Microsystems (NASDAQ:ALMI) and Aril Group Inc. (NASDAQ:ARIL) announced Monday an agreement in principle on a merger between the two companies, subject to, among other things, Aril's due diligence, the obtaining of necessary financing, the negotiation of a satisfactory definitive agreement and approval of the shareholders and boards of directors of both companies.

The agreement in principle provides for a cash price of $3.75 per share to the shareholders of Alpha Microsystems to be paid at the closing, which is anticipated to occur prior to the end of the first calendar quarter of 1991.

Aril has provided assurances to Alpha Micro that it will obtain the approximately $11 million financing for the transaction and has retained Ventana International Ltd. as its financial advisor to arrange such financing.

The agreement in principle does not preclude Alpha Microsystems from negotiating with other possible buyers for the company, and the company has retained the Los Angeles-based investment banking firm of Houlihan Lokey Howard & Zukin for this purpose and to assist in matters of valuation.

Alfred Schoenberg, president of Aril, stated that ''he was pleased with the agreement in principle and looking forward to long-term success for the future of the Alpha Micro family, including its employees, dealers and customers.''

Clarke Reynolds, president of Alpha Microsystems, added that ''Aril and Ventana have indicated that Alpha Micro will be a major player in the electronics group that is being formed. We view this as an opportunity to strengthen our ability to support our dealers with new products and services.''

With headquarters in Santa Ana, Alpha Microsystems designs, manufactures, markets and services multiuser, multitasking hardware and software products.

Operating software environments are provided for Alpha Microsystems' AMOS and RECAP proprietary, multiuser business-oriented operating systems, as well as industry-standard software including XENIX, Pick Open Architecture, Thoroughbred Basic and MS/DOS.

Distributed worldwide, the company's family of high-performance systems provides cost-effective, multiuser computer solutions for businesses of all kinds.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Synbiotics Corp. (NASDAQ:SBIO) Monday announced that growing sales of its animal health products and strong initial sales from its new mammalian cell culture subsidiary increased revenues and decreased consolidated losses for the quarter and six months ended Sept. 30.

The company reported that revenues increased by 66 percent in the recent six-month period and 131 percent in the quarter, compared with revenues for the same periods a year ago.

''Although product sales and technical services revenues have not yet overcome our research and other operating costs, the gap was narrowed in the current quarter and for the first six months,'' said Synbiotics' President and Chief Executive Officer Dr. Edward T. Maggio.

Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased by 131 percent to $2,833,000 from $1,225,000 a year earlier, and quarterly losses decreased by 49 percent to $736,000 from $1,518,000 in the same period a year ago.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues increased 66 percent to $4,777,000 from $2,863,000 in the first half of fiscal 1990, and six-month losses declined by 40 percent to $1,717,000 from $2,842,000 in the year earlier period.

According to Maggio, most of Synbiotics' present sales come from animal health products, such as diagnostics for canine heartworm and feline leukemia and VacSyn/FeLV, the company's widely used vaccine against feline leukemia. New animal health products, such as a new cancer treatment for canine lymphoma, are scheduled for introduction soon.

Maggio said that the canine lymphoma product, which the company expects to introduce in early 1991, should be the only cancer treatment of its kind on the market.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - BHP Petroleum (Canada) Inc., (BHPP(C)) was the high bidder on a parcel off the western coast of Newfoundland.

The Canada-Newfoundland Offshore Petroleum board announced that six companies, including BHPP(C), submitting high bids on a total of eight parcels. The board offered nine tracts offshore western Newfoundland in its Call for Bids, which closed Nov. 13. Of the available parcels, seven received bids. The board is opening new areas of exploration in its role as manager of offshore resources for Newfoundland and Canada.

BHPP(C), as operator (100 percent), was high bidder on Parcel No. 7, totaling 257,885 hectares (637,234 acres), with a work commitment bid of $1,514,588 (U.S. $1,287,400). The block will be operated on behalf of BHPP(C) by BHP Petroleum New Ventures Americas, headquartered in Houston.

The board will issue exploration licenses for the parcels in January, subject to ministerial approval. The term of the license for BHPP(C)'s tract will be

nine years, with a five year initial period.

BHP Petroleum (Canada), based in Calgary, explores and operates in Alberta and British Columbia. Both BHP Petroleum (Canada) and BHP Petroleum New Ventures are wholly owned subsidiaries of Australia's largest company, The Broken Hill Proprietary Co. Ltd.

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GREENWICH, CONN (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The Fund American Cos. Inc. (NYSE/PSE:FFC) announced Monday that it has begun mailing to its shareholders proxy materials for a special meeting relating to the previously announced sale of its Fireman's Fund Insurance Co. subsidiary to Allianz of America Inc. a subsidiary of Munich-based Allianz AG Holding, and related transactions.

Fund American further announced that its special shareholders' meeting has been rescheduled to take place on Dec. 18, at 9 a.m. (Pacific Standard Time) at the Stanford Court Hotel in San Francisco. The meeting had previously been set for Dec. 11 at the same location.

Fund American also announced that on Nov. 16, the California Department of Insurance approved the application of Allianz of America for permission to acquire control of Fireman's Fund.

In addition to California, the departments of insurance of six other states have approved Allianz of America's application to acquire control of Fireman's Fund; similar applications are pending before the insurance departments of another six states.

The special shareholders' meeting will be held to consider a proposal to approve the acquisition by Fund American of certain assets of Fireman's Fund followed by the purchase by Allianz of America Inc. of 100 percent of the stock of Fireman's Fund, all as previously announced; the repurchase by Fireman's Fund of all 300,000 shares of convertible preferred stock of Fund American currently owned by TRIFIN B.V., also as previously announced; and a plan of complete liquidation for Fund American, which is expected to require a period of approximately three to five years to complete.

The liquidation plan to be considered at the special shareholders' meeting calls for the complete liquidation of Fund American through the sale of Fireman's Fund to Allianz of America, the sale, exchange or other disposition of Fund American's remaining assets and the eventual distribution to shareholders of all Fund American's assets, including proceeds of sales, after making provision for liabilities.

The exact timing and amount of the distribution will be determined shortly after the closing of the sale of Fireman's Fund to Allianz of America. The closing of the sale is currently scheduled to occur on Jan. 2, 1991, subject to the receipt of the necessary regulatory approvals and other conditions.

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SAN FERNANDO, CALIF (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Following is the body of a letter from Christopher J. Ebert, chief financial officer, Trio-Tech International, to shareholders of Trio-Tech:

The results of the first quarter reflect improved performance when compared to the same period last year even though there was a decline in revenues. First quarter losses were sustained due to lower than expected shipments and higher than expected costs in the Sunnyvale test operation. Overall, revenues of U.S. operations are below anticipated levels. Singapore and Malaysia operations continue to demonstrate improved performance. The revenues and profits from these divisions are expected to exceed last year's levels. Orders for Ireland are improving. In October, Trio-Tech Ireland acquired the assets of the Artic Corporation, a manufacturer of thermal shock devices, through liquidation proceedings.

The Company is continuing to work with the Bank to satisfy loan repayments and extension of the revolving credit facility. To assist the Company, the Bank has agreed to extend the revolving facility and principal payments on the debt until January 1991.

Trio-Tech is pleased to announce the acquisition of Express Test Corporation on October 31, 1990, via a forward triangular merger. Express Test provides a complementary line of equipment and testing services for the integrated circuit business. Mr. Frank Gavin, who was the President of Express Test, has been named Executive Vice President for Trio-Tech.

Trio-Tech International
Summary of Earnings
(Unaudited) (In thousands of dollars except per-share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 28,	
	1990	1989
Net revenues	$3,733	$4,424
Net loss	$(81)	$(211)
Earnings per share:		
Net earnings (loss)	(3 cents)	(8 cents)

Weighted average number of shares outstanding	$2,728,350	$2,728,350

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SANTA MONICA, Calif. (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Oppenheimer Industries Inc. (ASE:OPP) (''the company'') announced on Monday it filed two petitions on behalf of the company and the company's wholly owned subsidiary, The Armendaris Corp. (''Armendaris''), seeking reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court of the Central District of California.

The directors and officers of the company will continue to operate the business of the company and Armendaris as debtor in possession subject to the supervision of the Bankruptcy Court, unless the court otherwise orders.

Oppenheimer Industries is an American Stock Exchange company with real estate holdings in Missouri, California and New Mexico.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Improved net earnings by IBM and Unisys Corp. boosted U.S. data processing vendors net earnings to 40.6 percent in third quarter 1990 over third quarter '89, the largest year-to-year increase since first quarter '88, according to Yardstick Quickflash, a publication of Gartner Group Inc., the research firm specializing in information industry trends.

Without IBM and Unisys, the data processing sector's net earnings grew 2.3 percent in third quarter '90 over third quarter '89.

IBM reported data processing net earnings of $1.1 billion in third quarter '90 which was a 26.8 percent increase over third quarter '89. During the same period, Unisys recorded a $357 million net loss in third quarter '90 vs. a $648 milion net loss in third quarter '89.

Randall Brophy, senior research analyst at Gartner Group, compiled this data from 183 publicly held companies in the information industry, i.e., data processing (computers, software and peripherals), telecommunications and electronic components.

''The five percent drop in the U.S. dollar against other currencies during the third quarter, along with ongoing corporate cost-cutting efforts, contributed to the surprising upswing in profitability,'' said Brophy.

''In addition, many information technology purchasers are still operating from 1990 budgets drawn a year ago. As the new year commences, budget tightening will likely reduce profitability for many data processing firms,'' Brophy added.

As a whole, the growth rate for the information industry increased to 6.7 percent in third quarter '90 over third quarter '89, up from 5.9 percent in second quarter '90 over second quarter '89. Data Processing

Yardstick Quickflash also revealed that within data processing firms, low-end disk drive manufacturers grew the fastest. Conner Peripherals Inc., Quantum Corp. and Maxtor Corp. topped the list with reported increases of 106.3 percent, 69.4 percent and 104.6 percent, respectively. These manufacturers are profiting from a wave of demand for 3.5 inch format drives required by the newest generation of microcomputers.

Gartner Group serves more than 6,000 individual clients representing 1,500 companies including 49 of the top 50 in the Fortune 500. Annual revenue has been increasing at a rapid rate, and is projected to reach about $80 million in 1990.

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SANTA ANA, CALIF. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of On-Site Toxic Control Inc., a Colorado corporation (''On-Site''), has announced that On-Site has extended the expiration date of the Class A Unit Warrants to April 30, 1991.

The Class A Unit Warrants were previously due to expire on Nov. 30, 1990. The Class A Unit Warrants were issued along with common stock in an initial public offering completed in December 1987 and are exercisable to purchase one share of common stock and one Class B Warrant at $2.50 per Class A Unit.

The Class B Warrants, which are exercisable to purchase one share of common stock at $6.25 per share, are due to expire on Oct. 31, 1991. The Class B Warrants were previously due to expire on Dec. 31, 1990. The Warrants are not currently exercisable.

On-Site, through its subsidiary Ultrox International, is in the business of the on-site destruction by oxidation of toxic substances found in groundwater and industrial wastewater. The toxic compounds are destroyed within the water so that the legal liabilities associated with transportation, burning and burial can be avoided.

The Ultrox process photochemically eliminates organic contaminants present in streams of liquid by converting them into harmless substances through a patented oxidation process using ultraviolet light, ozone and hydrogen peroxide. Principal customers are major industrial corporations, water utilities and operators of Superfund Site cleanup programs.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Jostens Learning Corp. of San Diego, the largest provider of interactive, educational software to school systems in the United States, was named winner of the 1990 National Portfolio Company of the Year award by the National Association of Small Business Investment Companies (NASBIC).

The Portfolio Company of the Year award is part of the National Entrepreneur of the Year program, which is sponsored by Ernst & Young, Merrill Lynch and Inc. magazine.

Jostens Learning was chosen from among many highly successful businesses that were nominated from the investment portfolios of the 400 Small Business Investment Companies (SBICs) nationwide.

The role of SBIC financing is only one criterion considered in naming the Portfolio Company of the Year, said NASBIC Chairman Walter H. Wilkinson Jr. ''Jostens Learning's effect on its community, its economic impact, uniqueness of product, and overall management and growth were pivotal considerations for making this award,'' he said.

Jostens Learning is the largest provider of K-12 educational software in the United States. The company's product line includes reading, writing, mathematics and other basic curricula as well as science and the award-winning Compton's MultiMedia Encyclopedia. Josten Learning's objective is to help students learn by making the learning process fun.

Its educational software, delivered on a compact disc, can be accessed on most industry-standard microcomputers, including Tandys, Apples and IBMs.

Small business investment companies including BancBoston Ventures of Boston

and Chemical Venture Partners of New York were among the first venture capital firms to make initial investments in Jostens Learning, then called Education Systems Corp. (ESC).

The first four rounds of financing by the SBICs and other venture firms, totaling $22 million, allowed the company to develop the software for the education programs.

ESC experienced second-year revenue growth of 2,900 percent and, over a three-year period, sales increased an average of 250 percent. The company became profitable in 1988. By 1989, several large suppliers of school textbooks were interested in acquiring ESC.

In May of that year, Jostens Inc., a Minneapolis-based company that has been in the school-related market for almost 100 years, acquired ESC and merged it with Prescription Learning Corp. to form Jostens Learning Corp. Jostens Learning Corp. today is a $121 million company with more than 1,000 employees.

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AMHERST, N.Y. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Mark IV Industries Inc. (NYSE:IV) Monday announced that it has completed the acquisition of Anchor Swan, a division of Harvard Industries, for $51.9 million.

With sales of $140 million, Anchor Swan is one of the largest manufacturers and distributors of hose products to the automotive OEM and aftermarket, garden and industrial markets.

Anchor Swan's largest business segment manufactures and sells high pressure hose products for applications in fuel systems, coolant systems, power steering assemblies, and miscellaneous components, including brake tubing and air handling components.

The company also has a leading market position in rubber and plastic garden hose, which it sells to distributors and retailers. Anchor Swan's industrial segment manufactures and distributes general purpose air, water, agricultural spray, air compressor and other hose products.

Sal H. Alfiero, chairman and chief executive officer of Mark IV said, ''The purchase of Anchor Swan is another step in Mark IV's expressed policy of building our core businesses through strategic acquisitions that strengthen existing operations.

''Anchor Swan's leadership position in hose products complements the technological and marketing strengths of the company's Dayco Products subsidiary. As a part of Dayco, the combined company will use state-of-the-art manufacturing techniques and international distribution systems to anticipate the needs of the marketplace and secure Mark IV's position as the world's largest producer of flexible hose.''

Anchor Swan, headquartered in Worthington, Ohio, has approximately 1,500 employees and four facilities in Bucyrus, Ohio; Lexington, Tenn.; Walnut, Calif.; and Easley, S.C. Dayco Products, Inc., a subsidiary of Mark IV, manufactures industrial belts, industrial, hydraulic and appliance hose and hose fittings, and OEM and aftermarket belts and hoses. Dayco, headquartered in Dayton, Ohio, with manufacturing facilities in the U.S., Canada and Italy, has approximately 5,000 employees.

Mark IV Industries, Inc., headquartered in the Buffalo suburb of Amherst, is a diversified manufacturer of products in three business segments: Technical Products and Systems; Engineered Products and Systems; and Transportation Products and Systems.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Motorola Inc.'s Radio-Telephone Systems Group and QUALCOMM Inc. Monday announced they have signed an agreement to jointly explore and develop products using the Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) technology.

CDMA, one of several technologies under investigation in the United States for use in cellular networks, may provide capacity, transmission quality and efficiency advantages.

The development program has, as a major element, the evaluation of CDMA's potential to enhance capacity, which could provide the answer to expansion problems currently facing cellular operators in major U.S. cities.

Motorola and QUALCOMM plan to produce cell site and mobile cellular telephone equipment in sufficient quantity to validate CDMA's capabilities.

Capacity improvement is a critical factor for the continued growth of the cellular industry. As of June 30, 1990, industry sources reported more than 4.3 million cellular system subscribers in the United States and an estimated monthly average of 140,000 new service sign-ups for 1990.

The planned CDMA tests, installations and system development to be done in the 1991-92 time frame are designed to provide a thorough and objective evaluation of the equipment's performance, the Common Air Interface specifications and the system design parameters.

Motorola is the world's leading designer, manufacturer and supplier of cellular systems, infrastructure equipment and subscriber products.

It is also a leading provider of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets, including two-way radios, pagers, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronic equipment, computers, data communications, and information processing and handling equipment.

Motorola was a winner of the first annual Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award in 1988, in recognition of its superior company-wide management of quality processes.

QUALCOMM Inc. was founded in 1985 by Jacobs and Dr. Andrew Viterbi -- both recognized internationally for their contributions to workable solutions in digital communications. QUALCOMM attributes its success to the innovative design and manufacture of advanced communications systems and the provision of point-to-point communications services.

QUALCOMM's telecommunications and teleprocessing research and development has broken ground in several key areas, including mobile satellite communications and interference-controlled signal processing for the cellular telephone industry using CDMA technology. It is also involved in the development of compression and signal processing technology for HDTV.

The results of its expertise have provided for the development and manufacture of a wide range of communications components, equipment, services and systems for the U.S. government and commercial users worldwide.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Hilton Hotels Corporation's board of directors has elected Chris Wichers vice president of front office

operations for the company, according to Carl T. Mottek, president of Hilton Hotels Division.

Wichers most recently served as regional director of marketing for Hilton's Western Region.

Wichers reports directly to Robert Moore, Hilton's senior vice president of sales. He is responsible for all front office operations within the company with the goal of enhancing customer service, as well as for training, development and the succession planning of front office personnel.

''Combining front office operations with corporate sales will nurture the very close relationship and support between the two functions,'' said Mottek. ''Front office operations are the heartbeat of the hotel operation, where we control pricing, inventory and most importantly, the bookends of a guest's stay at Hilton.''

Wichers began his Hilton career in 1978 in the company's Professional Development Program (HPDP) at the Los Angeles Hilton and Towers before becoming sales manager at the San Diego Hilton Beach and Tennis Resort one year later.

Hilton Hotels, a publicly owned international lodging company, owns manages and franchises more than 260 hotels and resorts in major cities, suburban areas, airports, and resort and gaming destinations worldwide. Current developments include the newly opened 2,000-room Flamingo Hilton Laughlin in Nevada and Hilton Suites -- Phoenix Plaza, which opened on Sept. 6.

The company has also broken ground on the $80 million World Trade Center Hilton in Long Beach, Calif., scheduled to open in late 1992. Other cities slated for development include Minneapolis; Brooklyn, N.Y.; Detroit; Harrisburg, Pa.; and Valencia, Calif.

The company's growing overseas subsidiary, Conrad Hotels, currently operates six properties, including the recently opened 513-room Hotel Conrad Hong Kong. Additional properties in Cancun, Brussels and Istanbul will open by 1992.

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BURLINGAME, CALIF. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Mozart Systems Corp. Monday announced that it has been selected as an IBM Authorized Application Specialist to assist in the marketing and installation of the AS/400 host computer under IBM's Authorized Application Specialist Program.

IBM compensates IBM Authorized Application Specialists for assistance in marketing IBM products to meet the expanding needs of customers. In addition to providing marketing assistance relating to IBM products, Mozart Systems Corp. also markets a number of applications in the cooperative processing industry. Their flagship product, MOZART, is a multi-host, multi-platform, cooperative processing application development system.

Mozart Systems Corp., an independent software vendor, is located at 1350 Bayshore Highway, Suite 630, Burlingame 94010. Mozart Systems will work with the IBM branch offices throughout the United States.

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MILPITAS, CA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Octel Communications Corp. (NASDAQ:OCTL) and American Business Communications announced Monday that the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has signed a five-year, $4.5 million agreement with American Business Communications to purchase Octel voice processing systems to link EPA offices in a nationwide, 32-city voice mail network.

American Business Communications, based in Kansas City, Mo., is a nationwide distributor of Octel voice processing systems and other telecommunications equipment.

EPA officials said they expect the network to increase productivity and enhance communication with the public and among EPA employees nationwide.

''The voice processing network will help agency employees communicate and work more efficiently,'' said the EPA's Bob Brooks. ''Voice mail will let our people send and reply to detailed messages from co-workers 24 hours a a day, seven days a week, regardless of time zone differences, coast to coast.

''We will also be able to improve our handling of incoming calls, including calls from the public. With voice processing, callers never get a busy signal or have to wait on hold.''

''The Octel network will allow the EPA to benefit not only from voice mail and telephone answering, but also from automated attendant, call routing menus, voice bulletin boards and voice-prompted forms applications -- the full range of voice processing applications,'' said William Black, president of American Business Communications.

''Octel's AspenNet voice processing network allows messages to be sent between systems nationwide. Specialized personnel in widespread locations can share

information using voice mail, eliminating the delays of mailing written memos and missing conference calls.''

American Business Communications engineers installs and maintains telecommunications systems nationwide.

Octel Communications Corp., with headquarters in Milpitas, designs, manufactures and markets a full line of high-performance voice processing systems. Octel's Sierra multiple-application voice processing platform is a very large capacity system designed to meet the special needs of telephone companies and other voice information service providers.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Saks Fifth Avenue will usher in the holiday season tomorrow at 5:30 p.m. when it unveils its Christmas Windows honoring Carnegie Hall's Centennial Season.

Carnegie Hall Conductor Robert Shaw will be the evening's guest of honor.

Saks Fifth Avenue is located on Fifth Avenue between 49th and 50th Streets in New York City. The media will be directed from the store's Fifth Avenue entrance near 50th Street.

The windows along Fifth Avenue will consist of different scenes as they might occur during a Carengie Hall Christmas Concert. The interior and exterior of Carnegie Hall has been expertly reproduced to scale and will be animated by 32 figures whose movements are activated by air pressure.

The musicians play classical music on miniature representations of actual wind string and percussion instruments. Outfitted at Saks Fifth Avenue, mannequins will be costumed in authentic contemporary dress, made of luxurious fabrics and jeweled accessories.

The displays will remain on view until New Year's day.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Rent-A-Wreck of America Inc. reported its second consecutive profitable quarter.

The company reported net income of $50,012 for the quarter ended Sept. 30 compared with last year's second-fiscal-quarter loss of $46,455. For the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $63,155 compared with a six-month loss of $152,607 for the previous year.

A preferred dividend was declared on Sept. 30, 1990, for the second quarter, providing an overall gain of 1 cent per common share for the quarter as compared with a loss of 5 cents per share for the like period in 1989.

Total revenues for the quarter were $1,266,713 compared with $1,172,911 during the like period a year ago. The company's continuing licensee fees increased 23 percent from $269,671 to $331,944. Total revnues for the six-month period were $2,450,985 compared with $2,250,265 for the like period in 1989.

J. Richard Haigh, president and chief executive officer of Rent-A-Wreck, noted that the record pace of new franchise sales continued in the quarter. This is expected to result in further royalty revenue increases in the future.

''Additionally, we have completed our program of the disposal of unprofitable operations and have continued to search for opportunities to reduce costs,'' Haigh concluded.

Rent-A-Wreck is the country's foremost provider of used rental and lease vehicles. With over 360 franchises worldwide, Rent-A-Wreck provides convenient, cost-saving neighborhood transportation. The company is a recipient of Entrepreneur Magazine's prestigious Franchise 500 award.

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MEMPHIS, TENN. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - TBC Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:TBCC) Monday announced that its board of directors has approved the repurchase of an additional 1 million shares of the company's common stock.

The authorization includes both open market purchases as well as private transactions from time to time. TBC currently has 13.6 million shares of common stock outstanding.

Marvin E. Bruce, president, said that the board's action was done in consideration of the fact that TBC is close to completing the repurchase authorization approved last year which also covered 1 million shares.

He remarked, ''We have repurchased 930,000 shares under that authorization. This new approval provides us with additional flexibility to take advantage of the low price levels at which TBC's shares are currently trading. The company's sound financial position supports the decision to extend our repurchase program which we are confident will yield an attractive return for our stockholders.''

TBC Corp. is one of the nation's largest marketers and distributors of products for the automotive replacement market.

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DOUGLASTON, NY (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - New York Bancorp Inc., the holding company for Home Federal Savings Bank, Monday announced that its board of directors, at on October meeting, approved the repurchase of up to 10 percent, or approximately 300,000 shares, of its outstanding common stock.

The company has applied to the Office of Thrift Supervision for approval to repurchase up to 5 percent, or 153,416 shares, of its common stock over a six month period, pursuant to regulations. New York Bancorp has purchased 11.2 percent, or 348,200 shares, of its current outstanding common stock since the company's repurchase program commenced in April 1989.

New York Bancorp, with over one billion dollars in assets, operates six branches and five loan centers in the New York Metropolitan area through its sole subsidiary Home Federal Savings Bank.

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NASHVILLE, TN (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Allied Clinical Laboratories (NASDAQ:ACLB) Monday announced that it had signed a letter of intent to acquire certain assets, primarily customer lists, of Texas Clinical Laboratories.

Texas Clinical provides clinical testing services to nursing homes in Dallas,

Houston and Denver.

The acquisition of Texas Clinical is expected to add at least $5 million - $6 million in annual revenues to Allied. The final purchase price is contingent upon the level of business retained from the acquired customer lists. The parties have agreed to expeditiously negotiate and enter into a definitive agreement. The transaction is expected to close within 30 days, subject to customary closing conditions.

Allied Clinical Laboratories Inc. owns and operates regionally based clinical testing laboratories. The company provides testing services to physicians, hospitals, clinics and other health care providers through a national network of seven regional laboratories (one of which serves as a reference laboratory) and 50 other service sites.

The company also currently contracts with 15 hospitals to manage their on-site laboratories. Allied Clinical Laboratories completed its initial public offering of common stock on July 31, 1990, and began trading on NASDAQ at the time.

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LOUISVILLE, CO (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Storage Technology Corp., Louisville Colo., and Siemens Nixdorf Information Systems Inc., Burlington, Mass. announced Monday that they have signed an agreement to merge their U.S. high performance, nonimpact printer operations in a joint venture that would become operational in January 1991.

Upon closing, Siemens Nixdorf will own 51 percent of the venture and StorageTek will own 49 percent. The venture will combine the nonimpact printer businesses of StorageTek and the Peripheral Systems Division of Siemens Information Systems. The firms will contribute their nonimpact printer bases to the venture.

The joint venture will begin with some 500 employees, over 1,000 customers, and annual revenues in excess of $100 million.

StorageTek said that it anticipates more than 100 of its U.S. employees -- principally in customer services, marketing and nonimpact printer support -- will transfer into the new entity.

StorageTek will continue operating its facility in Palm Bay, Fla. for manufacturing and service of its model 5000 impact printer product line which

will remain as a StorageTek sold and supported product.

Total employment at the Palm Bay facility -- currently 500 -- will decline over the next few months during a transition period.

Some of these StorageTek employees may join the joint venture. Others will remain with StorageTek impact printer operations or be offered transfers to other jobs within StorageTek. Depending on the total employment required by the joint venture and the remaining StorageTek operations, others will be given severance packages based on years of service and offered outplacement assistance.

StorageTek said that it does not anticipate that the combination will have a material impact on its 1990 financial statements. The company does, however, expect that the venture will have a positive impact on the company's performance and cash position over the next several years.

Storage Technology manufactures, markets and services, worldwide, information storage and retrieval subsystems for high-performance computers.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Shiva Corp., a leading vendor of network communications products, Monday announced the appointment of Frederick G. Sawin as vice president of sales.

Sawin comes to Shiva from Digital Equipment Corp., where he established and directed a full-scale support organization for DEC's $2 billion international business.

''Fred Sawin's experience covers the spectrum from turning startups into high-growth, international companies to leading domestic and international sales at blue chip companies,'' said Dan Schwinn, Shiva president and chief executive officer. ''His breadth of perspective and proven abilities make Fred the perfect candidate for building Shiva's global presence.''

Sawin was international sales manager at Digital Equipment Corp. from 1986 to 1990. Before joining DEC, Sawin was senior vice president, sales and

marketing at General Computer Corp., where he built a sales channel and marketing organization. Within two years, GCC's revenues grew from $0 to $30 million. Prior to joining General Computer Corp., Sawin established the sales and marketing organization at Avatar Technologies. While he was vice president of sales at Avatar, revenues rose from $300,000 to $3 million within a two year period.

Sawin first became involved with the international market in 1980, as the New England branch manager for Germany-based Nixdorf Computer Corp. At Nixdorf, revenues for the company's Distributor Program rose from $250,000 to $6 million in a year and a half. From 1967 to 1980, Sawin held various positions in sales and marketing with IBM.

Shiva Corp., based in Cambridge, Mass., develops and markets network communications products for LAN-to-LAN and LAN-to-WAN connectivity, plus connections for individual computers to existing networks. Shiva products have won critical acclaim for their ease of use and innovative solutions to peripheral sharing, remote network access and local and wide area network routing. Products include the Shiva FastPath, the Shiva NetModem V.32 and the Shiva EtherGate.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Oki Semiconductor has announced the availability of its ''nX'' family of microcontrollers.

This broad line of CMOS 8-bit and 16-bit microcontrollers feature a high degree of vertical integration and speeds as fast as 200 ns. The nX family has been configured from Oki's newly introduced core concept which provides the user with various speeds and a broad selection of additional functional elements that can be selected to ideally suit the application and maximize the price/performance of the system.

The Oki MSM65xxx Series 8-bit microcontrollers have been enhanced by on-chip peripherals including pulse-width modulators, A/D converters, a wide variety of extra I/O ports, counters, timers and up to 16K bytes of ROM and 384 bytes of RAM in addition to addressing 64K bytes of external memory.

The minimum instruction execution cycle of 400 ns at 10MHz provides enhanced performance of up to 40 percent over current 80C51-based devices and its extra math functions eliminate cpu overhead.

Although not pin-for-pin compatible with 80C51-based devices, Oki's MSM65xxx series can function as an enhanced price/performance replacement with a minor degree of hardware and software changes.

The availability of up to 56 bi-directional I/O lines for the MSM65513 provides the user with increased flexibility in peripheral management and eliminates additional cost and space requirements associated with I/O expanders.

Also available in this series are a variety of OTP (One-Time-Programmable) devices which replace the on-chip program memory thus providing quick turnaround and minimized time to market.

Prime applications for the Oki MSM65xxx Series include: disk drive, modem and keyboard control, printer buffers, sensor interfacing for supervisory control and data acquisition in the process, heating/ventilation/air conditioning, automatic machine tool control and alarm control in the home security sector.

Oki Semiconductor was founded in 1977 and manufactures a broad line of VLSI devices and board level products for use in computers, telecom systems, automotive and consumer products. In addition to its customer specific IC's, including CMOS gate arrays and standard cells, the company is a leader in CMOS microprocessor, memory and speech synthesis semiconductor devices.

Headquartered in Sunnyvale, Oki Semiconductor provides system level solutions by combining sophisticated packaging technologies with semiconductor and board level integration. Manufacturing facilities are also located in Portland, Ore. and Puerto Rico.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Oki Semiconductor has introduced a broad line of analog and digital GaAs (gallium arsenide) MMICs (microwave monolithic integrated circuits) that are suited to a broad range of communication applications.

The UHF analog MMIC product line consists of dual-gate buffer amplifiers, dual-gate mixer amplifier, feedback wide-band amplifier, dual-gate head amplifier, single-gate driver amplifier, medium power amplifiers and a single-gate power amplifier.

The digital device is a 2-modulus prescaler. The KGF series of UHF amplifiers which have been created from Oki's 0.5 micron MMIC technology, exhibit low power dissipation and provide for longer battery life in portable telecommunications applications.

The broad selection of devices available provide system designers with the opportunity to optimize the price/performance ratio of their designs.

The KGF-1145 Dual Gate Buffer Amplifier exhibits a noise figure of less than 3dB, a power output greater than 2dBm and a drain current less than 4 mA at 850 MHz. The device is available in a mini-mold 4-pin package. Unit price is $1.32 in quantities of 10,000 pieces. Sample quantities are deliverable from stock.

The KGF-1146 Two Stage Buffer Amplifier exhibits a power output of +4.2dBm and gain of 2.0dB at 850 MHz while operating on a low current of 2.5 mA. The device is available in a mini-mold 4-pin package. Unit price is $1.40 in quantities of 10,000 pieces. Sample quantities are deliverable from stock.

The KGF-1155 Dual Gate Mixer Amplifier exhibits a noise figure of less than 3dB, a gain greater than 12dB, and a drain current less than 2.5 mA at 850 MHz. The device is available in a mini-mold 4-pin package. Unit price is $1.32 in quantities of 10,000 pieces. Sample quantities are deliverable from stock.

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Headquartered in Sunnyvale, OKI Semiconductor provides system level solutions by combining sophisticated packaging technologies with semiconductor and board level integration. Manufacturing facilities are also located in Portland, Ore., and Puerto Rico.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - NexGen Microsystems Monday announced it has received $8 million in equity financing from current NexGen

investors, bringing the company's total financing to more than $35 million.

No other details of the financing were disclosed.

''The financial commitment of our investors reflects the vast market potential they foresee for the NexGen technology,'' said Thampy Thomas, president and chief executive officer of NexGen.

NexGen is developing microprocessor and system technologies for the personal computer and workstation markets. NexGen's products utilize the company's advanced superscalar microprocessor technology and are designed to offer industry leading performance while maintaining complete compatability with the industry standard operating environments (DOS with Windows, OS/2 with Presentation Manager and SCO Unix with Motif) and bus standards (EISA and Micro Channel).

The company also announced that Kazuhiko Nishi was elected to its board of directors. He is the founder and president of ASCII Corp., Japan's largest personal computer software firm.

NexGen's shareholders include: ASCII, Compaq, Chips and Technologies, Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers, Mitsui, Olivetti and Yamaha.

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WALTHAM, MASS. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - IPL Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:IPLSA) has signed Western European distribution agreements with aggregate minimum purchase commitments of nearly $45 million, Robert W. Norton, president and chief executive officer, announced Monday.

The agreements, for various periods of up to three years beginning after Jan. 1, 1990, cover distribution of IPL's tape and disk storage and add-in memory products for IBM's midrange computer series.

''We began exporting our storage products to Europe in 1988, doing $3 million in business that year. In 1989, sales approached $6 million in Europe, and this fiscal year we expect to exceed $12 million,'' Norton said. ''Since IBM currently ships about 60 percent of its AS/400 computers to Europe, it has proven a good place for us to do business.''

A substantial portion of the minimum purchase requirements in the new agreements are for IPL's 7636 Disk Array, a 1.8 GB storage product that was

backordered within days of its unveiling and availability in mid-September. Information Week magazine described the 7636 as the ''cutting edge'' of the technology.

As previously reported, components for the 7636 have been temporarily unavailable, but IPL expects to begin volume delivery of the product in the first quarter of 1991.

IPL's revenue through the third quarter of 1990 was $18.3 million, a 97 percent increase over the $9.3 million reported through the third quarter of 1989. Founded in 1973 as a successful manufacturer of IBM-compatible mainframe computers, in the 1980's IPL changed its focus to the IBM peripheral market, where it has flourished. Revenue has steadily increased each year since 1986, from $2.6 million in that year to $14.7 million in 1989. The company has no debt.

IPL Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:IPLSA) designs, manufactures, markets and services a broad range of storage products for IBM midrange computers, including DASD and tape subsystems, plus memory upgrades.

IBM and AS/400 are trademarks of International Business Machines.

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ROCHESTER, NH (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Cabletron Systems Inc. (NYSE:CS), a leading supplier of networking connectivity hardware and software products, Monday added further depth to its cornerstone Multi Media Access Center (MMAC) product line with the introduction of the MMAC-5FNB -- an intelligent modular network hub engineered to integrate up to five Ethernet, Token Ring and FDDI Media Interface Modules (MIMs) and one management/repeater module into a mid-sized chassis.

Utilizing Cabletron's Flexible Network Bus (FNB) backplane design, the MMAC-5FNB can be configured with a single power supply module (MMAC-5PSM) or can be set up for redundancy through the addition of a second power supply unit. Other modular characteristics of the MMAC-5FNB include the ability to incorporate Cabletron's high-density MIMs into the unit, providing up to 120 ports per chassis, and a removeable (slide out) fan tray for easy maintenance.

''With the introduction of the MMAC-5FNB, Cabletron has broadened its highly successful MMAC line to accommodate networking needs of all types and sizes.

Our approach is to make the MMAC a universal solution to the various FDDI, Token Ring and Ethernet needs faced by our customers,'' said Michael Welts, Cabletron's marketing manager.

As with all MMAC units, the MMAC-5FNB offers network administrators the ability to select a broad array of cabling options, including twisted pair, shielded twisted pair, thin or thick coaxial cable, fiber optic and AUI cabling.

Other integral features of the MMAC line include powerful network management capabilities which provide users full monitoring and control capabilities locally through an RS-232 port, or remotely utilizing Cabletron's network management software packages Remote LANVIEW and SPECTRUM. Using Cabletron's software packages, the MMAC can be managed from any network connection or remotely through a modem.

The MMAC-5FNB is available immediately from Cabeltron, with a per port cost between $150 and $600, depending on the type of media configuration. The MMAC-5FNB chassis is priced at $1,550, while the redundant power supply module for the unit (MMAC-5PSM-R) is priced at $1,380.

Cabletron Systems Inc., headquartered in Rochester, N.H., develops and manufactures networking products based on its Integrated Network Architecture, a strategy which provides standards-based products and services necessary to build and manage a global, distributed platform of interconnected local area networks. The company currently has a worldwide installed base exceeding 1.8 million nodes.

Cabletron's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CS. The company reported record revenue of $104.7 million and earnings of $22.3 million for the fiscal year 1990.

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NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FL (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Intensive Care, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: HICI), a leading provider of high-tech home health care products and services, Monday reported that The Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 ("OBRA 1990") contains several important provisions which may have a material and potentially favorable impact on the company. The Act was passed by Congress on October 26, 1990 and signed into law by the President on November 5, 1990.

OBRA's 1990 Conference Report language reiterated that Congress clearly intended that OBRA 1989 reduced Method II home dialysis rates to take effect

on February 1, 1990. Home Intensive Care will be filing the Conference Report language with the United States District Court in support of its Motion for Summary Judgment in its pending case against the Health Care Finance Administration ("HCFA").

The U.S. Attorney on behalf of HCFA has asserted that the rate was reduced by HCFA at an earlier date. The company believes that this language will clear up the issue.

OBRA 1990 directs HCFA to establish a demonstration project for the purpose of evaluating staff-assisted home dialysis ("SAHD"). The demonstration project will involve up to 800 patients and be conducted over a three year period. Home Intensive Care has advocated the development of such a demonstration project for the past several years and would like to participate.

Under the demonstration project, SAHD services will be reimbursed as an add-on payment to the current composite rate, which the company estimates could be up to an additional $75 per treatment. Until February, 1990 Home Intensive Care was the nation's largest supplier of SAHD.

Reductions in the Method II Reimbursement rate caused the company to relinquish approximately 1,200 of its home dialysis patients to dialysis clinics. Home Intensive Care continues to provide SAHD services to a large number of patients through its Infusion Therapy Division and believes that it is still the largest supplier of these services.

Home Intensive Care intends to apply under this demonstration project and, based upon its management experience, personnel, nationwide presence and possession of the 800 dialysis machines required to undertake this project, is confident that these factors will cause HCFA to favorably review the application. Of course, there is no assurance that the company will receive the award of the demonstration project.

OBRA 1990 provides that the composite (clinic) rate for dialysis clinics will be increased by $1.00 per treatment for services furnished on or after January 1, 1991, and authorizes additional reimbursement of the dialysis drug Erythropoietin for home dialysis patients.

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MILFORD, MA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Ceramics Process Systems Corp. (OTC: CPSX) Monday announced it was issued its thirteenth patent from the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The patent relates to a novel composition and process technology to fabricate whisker-reinforced ceramics without pressure assisted densification. Whisker reinforced ceramics have been shown to exhibit superior mechanical properties where high durability and wear resistance are important parameters.

"This patented process enhances our position as a technology leader in specialized ceramic products and enables us to cost-effectively and safely manufacture structural ceramic components for the automotive and aerospace industries," said Peter R. Loconto, president and chief executive officer.

CPS develops, manufactures, and markets advanced ceramic products for the microelectronics, automotive, and defense industries and specializes in ceramic packaging and interconnecting of high-density, high-performance electronic devices using proprietary Micro-engineering processes.

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ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Resorts International Inc. Monday announced net earnings of $259,678,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to a net loss of $34,948,000 for the 1989 third quarter.

The first three quarters of 1990 resulted in net earnings of $257,373,000 as compared to a net loss of $81,527,000 for the first nine months of 1989.

Resorts stated that the large increase in net earnings was the result of accounting changes effective as of Aug. 31, 1990, principally involving a large decrease in the company's debt, following its emergence from bankruptcy proceedings.

The company did not accrue interest on its public debt during 1990. However, the effect of this on earnings was more than offset by the net effect of adjustments recorded in the third quarter of 1990 resulting from the application of ''fresh start'' accounting as of Aug. 31, 1990 in connection with the reorganization of the company.

These adjustments included an extraordinary credit of $429,809,000 (including tax effects) from the exchange of debt pursuant to the company's reorganization plan, and a $153,219,000 charge from the restatement of the company's other assets and liabilities to their estimated fair values.

For the first three quarters of 1990, Resorts posted earnings from operations of $12,420,000 based on revenues of $325,629,000 and expenses of $313,209,000. This compares with 1989 nine months earnings of $5,672,000 based on revenues

of $347,941,000 and expenses of $342,269,000.

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WEST BEND, WIS. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Gehl Co., a leading manufacturer of agricultural and light industrial/construction equipment distributed worldwide has signed a second historic technical licensing agreement with the People's Republic of China.

The agreement will result in production of the first rough-terrain telescoping-boom forklift in that nation.

Under the terms of the agreement, Gehl Co. wil license its rough-terrain forklift technology to the Xu Zhou Loading Machinery Co. and the China National Machinery and Equipment Import and Export Corp. Jiangsu Ltd. It is believed to be the first agreement for this type of equipment between the People's Republic of China and a U.S. based company.

Gehl Co. completed a similar agreement with the People's Republic of China in 1988 for its skid steer loader technology. The versatility of both types of equipment makes them useful in a wide range of applications in the People's Republic of China as its economy expands to support improvements and repairs.

''The expansion of our relationship in China after last year's uncertainty there demonstrates our continuing commitment to make Gehl Co. a force in international trade,'' said Bernard L. Nielsen, president and chief executive officer. ''This agreement, combined with our existing one on skid loaders, gives Gehl Co. a strong position in the China and Pacific Rim markets well into the future.''

As part of the agreement, Gehl Co. will provide technical information and assistance to allow the Chinese to manufacture, sell and export the equipment. Chinese representatives are expected to visit Gehl operations in West Bend, and Yankton, S.D., for technical training in the spring of 1991. A team of Gehl experts will also travel to China as part of the training process.

Gehl Co. has been a leader in rough-terrain telescoping-boom forklifts since its 1988 acquisition of TCI Power Products of Yankton.

Gehl Co. (NASDAQ:GEHL) produces a broad line of niche capital goods equipment used worldwide in the agricultural and light industrial/construction

industries. Founded in 1859, the company is headquartered in West Bend, with manufacturing facilities in West Bend; Yankton and Madison, S.D.; and Myerstown, Pa.

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FARMINGDALE, N.Y. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - P&F Industries Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:PFINP) Monday announced that it has acquired assets and business of Berkley Tool Corp. of Dallas, for cash and future payments totalling approximately $3 million.

Berkley distributes a line of cutting and threading tools and related items used in connection with the cutting and threading of steel pipe.

''Berkley's sales were approximately $2.4 million last year,'' said Richard Horowitz, president of P&F.

''However, we are confident that, with our existing multiple channels of distribution, we will be able to greatly exceed that volume, with a very favorable impact on P&F's earnings. Florida Pneumatic, our air tool manufacturer, will market Berkley's products to its tool and industrial supply wholesaler customers. In addition, Berkley's products will be marketed to plumbing wholesalers too whom our Embassy subsidiary currently sells its heating equipment.''

Berkley's operations will be merged with Florida Pneumatic in its 72,000 sq. ft. plant in Jupiter, Fla.

P&F Industries Inc. through its three wholly-owned subsidiaries, manufactures and imports air-powered tools, manufactures baseboard heating equipment, manufactures and imports various hardware items, and fabricates and installs sheet metal ductwork.

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Leon D. Feldman, 516/694-1800

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FORT WORTH, TX (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE: PIR), announced Monday the successful completion on Friday, Nov. 16, 1990 of the tender offer by its wholly owned subsidiary, Sun Acquisition Inc., to acquire the outstanding shares of Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. (AMEX: SBN) at $12 in cash per share.

Pier 1 Imports stated that according to a preliminary count by its depository, Ameritrust Texas, N.A., 1,725,401 shares of Sunbelt common stock were tendered or guaranteed delivery into the tender offer and accepted for payment. As a result, Sun Acquisition now owns shares representing approximately 96 percent of the outstanding shares of Sunbelt common stock.

Pier 1 Imports also stated that as soon as practicable it intends to merge Sun Acquisition into Sunbelt. The merger will not require the vote of any other Sunbelt shareholders. Holders of shares of Sunbelt common stock who did not tender their shares into the tender offer will be entitled to receive $12 in cash per share. Following the merger, Sunbelt will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Pier 1 Imports.

Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc. is a chain of 96 lawn and garden centers with major market positions in the southwest United States.

Pier 1 Imports Inc. is North America's largest and fastest growing specialty retailer of decorative home furnishings and related items with 541 stores in 44 states and Canada. For the fiscal year ended March 3, 1990, Pier 1 Imports had sales of $517 million and income of $25.5 million.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - In a development that will help local and interexchange telephone companies immediately cut costs, while positioning them to offer advanced services in the future, Northern Telecom (NYSE:NT) Monday announced the first installation of its Enhanced Network (ENET).

ENET represents a cornerstone of the company's FiberWorld vision.

The first ENET recently went in service at Southern Bell's Powers Ferry central office, just outside Atlanta. The Powers Ferry central office serves both business and residential customers. Initially, the Northern Telecom DMS-100 switching system equipped with ENET will support about 5,000 lines.

In the near future, the remaining lines will be transferred from an existing analog switching system to the Northern Telecom DMS-100 digital switching system.

Interexchange telephone companies are also in the process of introducing ENET on Northern Telecom's DMS-250 switching system, with initial installations occurring before year end. ENET is expected to be installed in more than 100 locations nationwide by the end of 1991.

The Enhanced Network is an integral part of the signaling and connectivity layer of Northern Telecom's S/DMS SuperNode switching system architecture. As the switching fabric for both copper and fiber-optic terminations, ENET establishes the physical pathway for digital signals moving through the central office switch.

Using a technique called single-stage timeswitch, ENET combines high capacity with new digital signal routing technologies to guarantee a dedicated path for every telephone call. In most conventional switchings fabrics, calls pass through multiple stages, contending for connection paths which may not be found.

Before ENET, switching fabrics provided pathways only for low-bandwidth voice signals. This high capacity, non-blocking technology will enable ENET, in conjunction with future high-speed communications peripherals, to switch advanced services as easily as it switches voice signals.

When fully configured, the switching matrix of ENET allows more than 128,000 simultaneous 64 kilobits-per-second (kbit/s) connections. For bandwidths greater than 64 kbits, the technology sets up multiple parallel connections to create a singlepath through the switching system.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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CANTON, MA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Corporate Software Monday announced that Edward Wright has been appointed vice president of support and services.

Wright was previously vice president of the Custom Systems Group at Prime Computer, a leading supplier of computer-aided design, manufacturing and engineering products.

As vice president of support and services, Wright is responsible for developing support services and managing the support department which provides comprehensive pre- and post-sale support for more than 1200 software and

hardware products.

''Superior support services are the backbone of Corporate Software's success '' said Mort Rosenthal, chairman, president and chief executive officer. ''Ed brings just the right mix of technical support, customer service, management and business planning experience to a position that requires a heavy dose of all four.''

Wright came to Corporate Software after 11 years at Prime Computer and Computervision Corp. From 1988 to 1990, he was vice president of Prime's Custom Systems Group, a start-up strategic venture for which he was responsible for building consulting, application support and system integration organizations.

While at Computervision, Wright held several positions, including vice president of business planning, vice president of software support services for North America, director of customer support, and director of national account service.

Prior to joining Computervision, Wright was with Digital Equipment Corp., Westinghouse, Xerox Data Systems, and IBM.

Corporate Software sells and supports more than 1,200 software and hardware add-in products for IBM, IBM compatibles and Apple Macintosh microcomputers. The company provides specialized support services designed to help large organizations be more effective and efficient in the acquisition, evaluation, support, management, and maintenance of microcomputing resources. Founded in 1983, the company has operations in the U.S., Canada, the United Kingdom, Germany, and France.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Equifax Inc. (NYSE:EFX) and Telecredit Inc. (NASDAQ:TCRD) jointly announced Monday that the board of directors of Equifax and the board of directors of Telecredit have unanimously approved an amendment to the merger agreement, which provides for the acquisition of Telecredit by Equifax.

Pursuant to the amendment, which has been executed by all of the parties, each share of Telecredit will be converted into the right to receive 2.8625 shares of Equifax common stock. The exchange ratio is fixed at 2.8625 and will not vary with the trading price of either Equifax or Telecredit stock.

The merger agreement, as amended, is subject to approval by the shareholders

of Equifax and Telecredit. Equifax and Telecredit will distribute revised proxy materials to their respective shareholders and convene the meetings to approve the merger agreement, as amended, as soon as practicable.

Telecredit provides check authorization, credit card processing and other payment services to retail merchants, financial institutions and others.

Equifax is the leading provider of information services and systems for consumer financial transactions throughout the United States and Canada.

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or
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HAYWARD, CALIF. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Mervyn's, one of the nation's top ranked department store chains, has reached an agreement with The May Department Stores Co. to purchase five Lord & Taylor stores in Southeast Florida.

Subject to a final closing agreement, Mervyn's is scheduled to acquire the stores Jan. 22, 1991. Remodeling of the stores will begin after Jan. 22, with a scheduled reopening in July 1991.

The locations are:

Treasure Coast Square	Coral Square Shopping Center
Jensen Beach, Fla.	Coral Springs, Fla.
Boynton Beach Mall	Miami International Mall
Boynton Beach, Fla.	West Dade County, Fla.
Cutler Ridge Shopping Center	South Dade County, Fla.

Mervyn's is a department store company specializing in national brand and top-quality private label casual apparel and home fashions. National brands include Levi's, Reebok, Cherokee and Osh Kosh. The chain has 227 stores in 15 states, with one store in Florida.

''Florida is an important market for Mervyn's and a natural extension from our base of stores in Georgia and in Lakeland,'' explains Walter Rossi, Mervyn's chairman and chief executive officer.

''We believe we are well positioned to serve the needs of many new Florida customers.''

In addition to the Lord & Taylor acquisition, Mervyn's expects to announce

seven more sites in Florida, bringing the total 1991 Florida openings to 12. Mervyn's new Florida stores will eventually hire approximately 2,000 new employees.

Founded in 1949, Mervyn's is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Dayton Hudson Corp., one of the nation's largest general merchandise retailers. ''We are very pleased with Mervyn's strong performance, and the fact that we are able to invest in this significant expansion in important Floirda markets,'' said Kenneth A. Macke, Dayton Hudson Corp.'s chairman and chief executive officer.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. and Samna Corp. Monday announced that the waiting period applicable to the acquisition of Samna by Lotus under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 expired at 11:59 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 17.

A wholly-owned subsidiary of Lotus commenced a tender offer on Nov. 7, 1990, for all of the outstanding shares of Samna Corp. common stock at $18.84 per share in cash under terms of a previously announced definitive merger agreement between the two companies.

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Pam Alexander, 404/851-0007, ext. 217.

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KNOXVILLE, TN (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Proffitt's Inc. (NASDAQ:PRFT) Monday announced revenues and earnings for the three and nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter ended Nov. 3, 1990 were $23,249,296, up 8.6 percent over $21,401,610 last year. Net income for the quarter was $183,224, or 5 cents per share, compared to $78,669, or 2 cents per share, in the prior year. This represents an increase in net earnings of 133 percent over last year.

On a comparative stores basis, sales increased by 7.5 percent for the third quarter this year over the same period last year.

Sales for the nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990 totaled $66,063,676, a 10 percent increase over $60,074,419 last year. Net income was $724,963, or 19 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $206,493, or 5 cents per share, for the same prior year period. Average common shares outstanding totaled 3,789,017 compared to 3,787,408 last year.

Proffitt's operates 11 speciality department stores in Tennessee, Georgia and North Carolina.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - A potential oil well, in which Frontend International Technologies Inc. (VSE:FEI) recently purchased an interest, has begun production, while still awaiting the decision whether or not to declare the horizontal leg of the well completed.

Independent industry analysts have estimated the present capacity of the well to be in the range of a low of 4,800 bbls. per day to a high of 9,600 bbls. per day. Frontend has a 1 1/2 percent working interest.

After a no-limit flush period, the production of the well will be limited to approximately 1,200 bbls. per day.

The company plans to purchase a similar working interest in the two optioned proposed horizontal wells to be drilled in the Pearsell Field by the same company.

Our president is in south Texas negotiating a further participation in that field while at the same time, aggressively pursuing other investment opportunities in the area.

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CARLSBAD, CA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Decom Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:DSII) has received $1,700,000 in contracts, including a $700,000 award from NASA Dryden and contract options exceeding $1 million for satellite tracking and telemetry relay equipment for the U. S. Air Force's Advanced Remote Tracking System II

(ARTS II) program.

The $1 million of ARTS II contract options, awarded by Loral Space and Range Systems (formerly Ford Aerospace Corporation) and Stanford Telecommunications Corp., will be used in automated tracking and data processing systems for the Air Force's Satellite Control network.

George Tremain, DSI's vice president, marketing, said,''This award follows $4,600,000 of contracts in our successful completion of the first two phases of the ARTS II program. Deliveries will begin this December.''

NASA Dryden's $700,000 order of several Quad 7 telemetry systems will be used for its experimental aircraft testing facility at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., for the acquisition, processing and display of telemetry data to research advanced aerospace technology and design.

''NASA Dryden selected the Quad 7 for its technical superiority in critical data acquisition for the evaluation of experimental aircraft. This contract may result in the award of additional Quad 7 systems in the current fiscal year,'' said Jack Robinson, Decom's chief executive officer.

Robinson noted that earlier this year, SAI corporation also selected DSI's Quad 7 for a prototype data acquisition, processing and display system focused at upgrading the facilities at Edwards Air Force Base.

Robinson observed that the receipt of these two contracts brings Decom's backlog to over $4,100,000, compared to backlog of $3,200,000 at this time last year.

Decom Systems Inc. designs, manufactures and integrates aerospace telecommunications equipment and systems for military and commercial users.

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MIAMI (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - After 10 years of non-scheduled services between Luxembourg and the United States, the Department of Transportation has authorized Cargolux Airlines International S.A., a Luxembourg flag carrier to provide in daily scheduled air transportation to five designated U.S. cities.

In its permit issued Nov. 15 the D.O.T. licensed Cargolux to carry property and mail between the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg in Europe, and Miami; Houston;

New York; San Francisco; and Seattle.

The permit specifies Cargolux may fly seven scheduled round trip flights each week between the five U.S. cities and Luxembourg in addition to unlimited charter flights flown by the carrier.

D.O.T. cited the support for Cargolux's service filed by the Port of Seattle which stated that the Seattle-Tacoma region was in need of improved cargo service to Europe and that none of the all-cargo service presently available was scheduled service.

Furthermore over 60 percent of the sea-air cargo arriving by ship in the Seattle area must be trucked to other airports where superior air service to Europe was available.

''Cargolux has greatly contributed to the local community and has enhanced the stature of the Pacific Northwest as an international transportation center,'' stated the Port of Seattle.

Commenting on the new permit, Cargolux' Director - The Americas, Sigmar Sigurdsson said he was extremely pleased by the decision of D.O.T. and very grateful for the support of the Port of Seattle.

''The new license will give us the opportunity, when we get our new aircraft, to expand our U.S. operations by providing a regular scheduled, daily service from Europe. We shall also be able to improve our support for the sea-air business substantially through the Seattle gateway,'' said Sigurdsson.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. announced Monday that almost 90 percent of the owners of the former Baldwin-United annuity contracts who became customers of MetLife in the 1987 bailout of the insolvent insurance companies of the Baldwin-United Corp. have chosen to renew with MetLife.

There are currently more than 53,000 former Baldwin-United customers holding MetLife single payment deferred annuities. Of the 39,000 who opted for three-year interest guarantee periods in November 1987, which were recently up for renewal, 88.6 percent have decided to stay with MetLife.

Sixteen percent of those renewing have opted for five-year interest guarantee periods.

The current guaranteed interest rate for a three-year period is 7.8 percent, with an anticipated rate of 8.25 percent. During the last three-year interest rate period, in which 7.8 percent was guaranteed and an 8.0 percent rate was anticipated, MetLife exceeded both the guaranteed and the anticipated rates. Actual rates credited to policyholders were 8.09 percent in 1988, and 8.11 percent in 1989 and 1990.

MetLife's original bailout began after the financial collapse of Baldwin-United Corp. in 1983. Individuals who owned annuities issued by certain Baldwin-United insurance subsidiaries stood to lose hundreds of million of dollars. MetLife became the lead insurer in the complicated and far-reaching rescue operation at the request of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners. Over 60 life insurance companies participated in the effort and voluntarily contributed funds to benefit the policyholders.

In 1987, following various court appovals of the plan, MetLife assumed the assets of the insolvent Baldwin-United insurance subsidiaries and guaranteed annuity benefits to policyholders. This provided policyholders with full access to their policy values for the first time in more than four years. These customers are served by MetLife's regional Pension and Savings office in Little Rock, Ark.

MetLife, one of the nation's largest insurance and financial services companies, provides or administers insurance coverage for more than 45 million people in the United States, Canada and other countries.

The company and its affiliates manage more than $128 billion in assets. MetLife has more than $62 billion of pension assets under management, including $14.2 billion in individual annuity contracts.

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RESTON, VA. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Fastcomm Communications (NASDAQ: FSCX) Monday announced that it is participating with TIL Systems in a $10 million dollar contract for Emucom Out-dial X.25 products.

Fastcomm is a major supplier to TIL Systems Inc. of Lowell, Mass., the U.S. subsidiary of TIL Systems Ltd. of Toronto, Canada.

TIL's Emucom products will replace manual dial modems for a major U.S. Government user. The Emucom product line provides a low cost method to transparently use dial-up telephone lines for data transmission across X.25 wide area networks. It presents a ''leased line'' appearance to the X.25

devices.

Fastcomm Communications of Reston, contributed the modem technology incorporated in the Out-dial product. The Out-dial technology is fully compliant with both CCITT X.32 and V.32 recommendations.

''By complying to standards and creating a product that fulfills the large user demand, Fastcomm working closely with TIL successfully met the challenge of providing the benefits of X.25 coupled with the simplicity and cost effectiveness of dial communications,'' said Bob Dennis, president of Fastcomm ''further, this represents the largest X.32 procurement in the world.''

Fastcomm Communications was the first to introduce an asynchronous 9600 bps, dial-up modem to the market over five years ago. The FDX modem series, introduced in 1988, was founded on Fastcomm's proven modem technology. This innovative company designs, manufactures and markets high quality modems for PC, mini, and mainframe environments.

For more information, contact Fastcomm Communications, 12347-E Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Va. 22091, 703/620-3900 or toll free 800/521-2496.

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NAPLES, FLA. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Flea Fair USA Inc. (The Company) announced Monday operating results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

Total revenues for the three months of $196,501 increased fourfold from $49,122 in the prior year period primarily as a result of inclusion of a second upscale flea market opened in Charlotte, N.C. in May, 1990. Overall revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $407,828 compared to revenues of $50,718 for the period from inception in March, 1989.

The company's net loss for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $172,913 vs. $133,680 for the year earlier period. Excluding non-recurring pre-opening expenses, the net loss for the quarter was reduced by 33 percent to $89,503.

The overall net loss of $325,042 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to a net loss of $215,637 for the period from inception in March, 1989.

Commenting on the operating results William M. McLaughlin company presdient said, ''Comparisons to prior year periods are not particularly meaningful in view of the Company's expansion in the number of Flea Fair USA locations and

the developmental nature of the business.

Flea Fair USA currently operates upscale indoor flea markets in Rockingham and Charlotte, N.C. and Portsmouth, Va.

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DAYTON, OH (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - New Jersey Savings Bank in Somerville, N.J.; Washington Savings Bank in Hoboken, and Union County Savings Bank in Elizabeth have awarded a $1.2 million contract to NCR Corp.'s Data Services Division (DSD) to process their information systems through the NCR Data Center in Cranbury, N.J.

Representatives of the banks, longtime users of NCR systems, said they selected DSD over a number of competitors to perform their data processing function.

Beatrice D'Agostino, president of Jersey Data Network (JDN) and president and chief executive officer of Bancorp New Jersey Inc., the holding company for New Jersey Savings Bank, said, "We selected NCR because its stability and commitment are unsurpassed in the industry in developing, manufacturing, and supporting business information processing systems for worldwide markets."

For example, she said, thanks to NCR's account-processing software, her bank's customer service representatives can now instantly call up account balances, transfer funds, counsel customers on CD rates, or provide information on checking, mortgage or loan options - all from the same workstation.

The bank's processing will be performed at the NCR Data Center on a new NCR 9800 mainframe that is part of a new generation of hardware and software systems to be installed in all of NCR's Data Processing Centers nationwide.

Executives at New Jersey Savings Bank hailed NCR's new integrated information system, which is now on-line to their main office in Somerville, as well as other offices in Somerville, Basking Ridge, Branchburg, Princeton, and Whitehouse.

In addition to improved customer service, New Jersey Savings Bank will derive a number of internal benefits from the account-processing software package, which consolidates account-processing and management-information functions in a single, easy-access database. As a result, the bank can now instantly select current information for custom management reports.

Three major criteria led to the selection of NCR's Data Services Division to

manage the bank's information systems: technological leadership in the banking industry, unparalleled reliability, and NCR's commitment to other JDN member banks.

Executives at the bank were most impressed with NCR's disaster backup service, which was most dramatically field tested after the San Fransisco earthquake last year. No data was lost, and the San Fransisco banks were kept in operation throughout the disaster.

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - IDC/Avante Technology Inc. Monday announced the first conference expressly designed for prospective image system users.

Image Management Technology: Beyond the Obvious will be held on January 16-18 1991 in Phoenix.

The Beyond the Obvious conference will include major product announcements by:

Action Technologies Inc.
Digital Equipment Corp.
FileNet Corp.
Metafile Information Systems Inc.
Wang Laboratories Inc.

In addition to the product announcements, conference highlights include presentations by several large scale image system users, as well as a program designed to allow attendees a forum to experience many of the same issues they will have to confront if they elect to employ this technology.

According to Scott McCready, director of Image Management Technology for IDC/Avante ''All too often, end users have to live and die by acronyms alone -- this must change! Users require more than marketing literature that has 'open and standard' on every single page. Bringing users and vendors together to share the same platform is the first step in going beyond the obvious.''

About IDC/Avante Technology
IDC/Avante Technology is a joint venture that was specifically designed to provide education, research, consulting and knowledge concerning image technology for the user community. As consultants to the Fortune 1000 companies, the office system vendor community, and image specific companies we have a track record in going beyond the obvious.

International Data Corp. (IDC) is a major subsidiary of International Data Group (IDG), $500 million company, and is the world's largest supplier of information technology market research, analysis and custom consulting.

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VAN NUYS, CA (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Haben Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:HABN) announced Monday that effective Dec. 28, 1990, the issued and outstanding shares of common voting stock of Haben Industries will be reverse split on a basis of 1-for-10 shares.

As a result, following the reverse split, each stockholder shall receive one post-split share for every 10 pre-split shares. Further information concerning this reverse split and the procedure for submitting shares for exchange shall be contained within an Information Statement, which will be forwarded to each stockholder on or before Nov. 28, 1990.

The board of directors also announced that the annual meeting of stockholders, which was previously set to be held in June of 1990, has been postponed until early 1991.

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LONDON (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Telecom (NYSE:NT) has announced that its United Kingdom affiliate company, STC PLC, has won new contracts worth over 22 million pounds to supply Mercury Communications Limited with additional Northern Telecom DMS switches.

The order from Mercury, one of the United Kingdom's public telecommunications service operators, includes a new DMS-300 SuperNode international gateway to complement an existing DMS-300 that already serves Mercury's international network.

In addition, Northern Telecom will also supply through STC's Digital Swithing division a new DMS-100/250 switch in London and extensions of four existing DMS installations around the United Kingdom.

Their combined capacity will add approximately 75,000 lines and 18,000 trunks to Mercury's national network. The switches have been designed to be extremely flexible with the capacity to work as a ''universal switch,'' able to handle trunk, centrex or POTS (Plain Old Telephony) services as desired. They can therefore be configured to best suit customer requirements with minimal effort or expense.

Mercury has awarded the contract in direct response to growing market demand for its services. In the last 12 months the company reports its customer base had doubled, and now includes more than 30,000 business customers. Demand for its international services has experienced similar growth.

On Nov. 8, 1990, Northern Telecom Limited and STC PLC agreed to terms under which Northern Telecom will acquire all outstanding shares of STC for approximately $2.6 billion. The offer is subject to approval by STC shareholders. Northern Telecom currently owns 27.1 percent of STC ordinary shares.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs over 49,000 people around the world.

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#90323b0772 11/19/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Borden Inc. (NYSE:BN), through its Catelli subsidiary in Canada, has completed the acquisition of the assets of Lancia-Bravo Foods, a producer of pasta and pasta sauces, from General Mills Canada Inc.

Terms of the cash transaction were not disclosed.

''We're pleased to add this excellent business to our growing family of operations in Canada,'' said R.J. Ventres, Borden chairman and chief executive officer, in making the announcement.

''Borden has become one of the largest companies in Canada, with annual sales of approximatelty $400 million ($500 million Canadian).

''We have major positions across a broad spectrum of businesses: pasta, snacks sauces and other grocery products, consumer adhesives, wallcoverings, packaging film and industrial products.''

Lanica-Bravo Foods, which employs approximately 200 people and has its sole manufacturing facility at Toronto, is expected to post annual sales of $47 million ($54 million Canadian) in 1990. Dry pasta accounts for about 70 percent of the total, sold at retail under the Lancia brand and also to the food service and industrial markets. Retail canned pasta sauces and specialty vegetables under the Bravo brand account for the remaining sales. The products are marketed primarily in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

Borden will continue to operate the Toronto facility and intends to offer employment to all current Lancia-Bravo Foods employees. The acquisition also does not affect a major capacity expansion about to enter the construction phase at the Montreal plant of Borden's Catelli unit.

Borden Inc., is a worldwide producer of foods non-food consumer products, and packaging and industrial products, with worldwide sales of $7.7 billion (U.S.) in 1989. The company ranks number one in the world in pasta, wallcoverings, forest products adhesives and vinyl foodwrap films; number one in U.S. dairy; number two in salty snacks in North America; and number one or two, nationally or regionally, with 40 brands in 26 U.S. niche grocery product categories.

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#90323b0777 11/19/1990 ~Business Wire

BELLEVILLE, IL (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The Magna Group Inc. board of directors Monday announced the declaration of a five percent stock dividend payable Jan. 10, 1991 to shareholders of record Dec. 15, 1990.

Magna currently has 12,840,038 shares outstanding.

The conversion ratio of stock and cash to be received for each share of Landmark Common Stock upon consummation of the merger will be revised to reflect the stock dividend from .855 of a share of Magna Common Stock and 50 cents in cash to .898 of a Magna share and 50 cents in cash.

The change in the conversion ratio is required under the agreement between Magna and Landmark and is intended to assure that the proportionate interest received by each Landmark shareholder in the merger will not be changed by the issuance of the additional shares in the current stock dividend.

Since each Magna shareholder is receiving five percent more Magna shares in the present stock dividend, each Landmark shareholder, when the Magna shares are issued upon consummation of the merger, will also receive five percent

more Magna shares than under the initial ratio.

Magna Group Inc., a multi-bank holding company headquartered in Belleville, owns eight banks with 50 locations in central and southern Illinois, a trust company and a data processing company. On Oct. 23, Magna announced its intention to merge with Landmark Bancshares, a $2 billion multi-bank holding company headquartered in St. Louis. The combined organization will have $4.4 billion in assets, 100 offices and will be the third largest bank holding company serving the metropolitan St. Louis market area.

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Gary D. Hemmer, 618/236-9339

-30- 1885
#90323b0781 11/19/1990 ~Business Wire
WILMINGTON, DEL. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - HIMONT U.S.A. Inc. Monday announced a price increase of eight cents per pound for its ultrahigh molecular weight (UHMW) and very high molecular weight (VHMW) polymers and five cents per pound for its A-Fax amorphous polypropylene.

These increases will be effective Dec. 1, 1990.

The oil crisis in the Middle East was cited as a major contributing factor in today's announcement.

Himont, a Montedison/Ferruzzi company, is the world's leading producer and marketer of polypropylene resins and a major producer of a broad range of specialty composites, alloys and advanced materials. Himont is the leading licensor of technology related to the production of polypropylene and also develops and markets catalysts used in its manufacture.

The Ferruzzi Group is a leading international industrial system which operates through Montedison, in the chemical, pharmaceutical and energy sectors, as well as in the agro-industrial sector, with an aggregate turnover of approximately 40 billion U.S. dollars.

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-30- 1285
#90323b0792 11/19/1990 ~Business Wire
DE PERE, WI (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Richard C. Smits, president of De Pere Federal Savings, has announced that the board of directors has approved a plan whereby the Association will convert to a Federal Savings Bank subject to approval by its shareholders at the Jan. 16, 1991, annual meeting and subsequent approval by the Office of Thrift Supervision.

The Association intends to change its name to Prime Federal Bank FSB. The new name not only better describes the Association's services and products as De Pere Federal has become a full service financial institution but also provides a more accurate description of their commitment to serving a wider geographical area.

''The Association is currently serving the entire metropolitan area from two offices in De Pere and two in Green Bay,'' said Smits. ''De Pere is still where our roots are but we look forward to our new name and charter as a Federal Savings Bank which will better position us for future growth and expansion as Prime Federal Bank FSB. Our name may change, but we haven't. We continue to be locally owned, locally managed and continue to concentrate on offering superior customer service to the area.''

As of Sept. 30, De Pere Federal had assets of $105.7 million and shareholders' equity of 9.41 percent, more than three times the capital required by the Office of Thrift Supervision. De Pere Federal is a publicly held financial institution and its stock is traded on the NASDAQ market under the symbol ''DPFS.''

CONTACT: De Pere Federal Savings, De Pere
Diane L. Roundy, 414/337-2400.

-30- 1762
#90323b0796 11/19/1990 ~Business Wire

BOCA RATON, FL (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Great Oaks Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:GOFC) announced net earnings before preferred stock dividends for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30 of $796,000 on revenues of $12,432,000.

Net earnings applicable to common stock, which is adjusted for preferred stock dividends of $405,000, is 10 cents per share.

Additionally, subsequent to Sept. 30, Flagship Insurance Underwriters Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary, negotiated the right to sell the following programs from the London insurance markets: (a) vendor single interest insurance; (b) GAAP insurance; (c) lawyer's liability insurance; and (d) fast-food restaurant liability insurance.

All of these various programs should generate additional revenues.

CONTACT: Great Oaks Financial Corp., Boca Raton
David Mayer, 407/395-0666.

-30- 1001
#90323b0807 11/19/1990 ~Business Wire

BALTIMORE (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Choices Entertainment Corp. (NASDAQ symbol:CECS) Monday reported results for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Choices Entertainment Corp. is engaged in the establishment of video and music superstores, which rent and sell video cassettes, audio cassettes, compact discs and other audio/visual media.

Global America Inc. is the investment banking firm for Choices Entertainment Corp. Global specializes in identifying and supporting emerging growth companies and is headquartered in New York's financial district at 110 Wall Street.

Choices Entertainment Corp.
Financial Highlights
(Abridged and unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Six Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,485,876	$ 4,947	$3,078,222	$ 39,231
Cost & expenses	2,547,011	542,155	5,523,697	1,112,398
Net loss	($1,061,135)	($537,208)	($2,445,475)	($1,073,167)
Net loss per share of common stock	($0.11)	($0.11)	($0.31)	($0.27)

CONTACT: Choices Entertainment Corp., Baltimore
Richard C. Smith, 301/633-3100

-30- 1540
#90323b0837 11/19/1990 ~Business Wire

LOUISVILLE, KY (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - In response to published reports, ICH Corp. (ASE:ICH) (ICH) said that it was not a party to any recent proposal made to First Executive Corp. (FEC).

FEC asked Consolidated National Corp. (CNC), a stockholder of ICH, to make a proposal in connection with the possible formation of a new insurance subsidiary of FEC. General terms of CNC's response to that invitation were disclosed in a Schedule 13D filing.

Discussions between CNC and FEC have apparently terminated. ICH is not a member of a group with CNC in respect to investments in FEC. ICH and CNC and other related parties have filed a joint Schedule 13D as a matter of convenience.

CONTACT: ICH Corp., Louisville
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#90323b0840 11/19/1990 ~Business Wire

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - REN Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:RENL) Monday reported in its third quarter 10-Q Report filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission that certain expenses related to its proposed public offering and certain pre-acquisition development costs may be written off in the fourth quarter.

The company also reported that it was in technical default of certain covenants set forth in its bank credit agreement.

Commenting on the announcement, Dr. Jerome S. Tannenbaum, president of REN, stated: ''The fundamental business of REN remains very sound. Our dialysis centers have positive cash flow and are doing very well. The principal impact of these developments will be to significantly reduce our acquisition and development of new dialysis centers over the near term.

''It will in now way affect the quality and profitability of our center's operations. REN's dialysis operations benefit from recurring revenues and the majority of our receivables are of government quality.

''The lull in adding new centers will give us the opportunity to re-double our quality programs to assure that our dialysis centers continue to be the best in the industry. Furthermore, we will benefit from cost reductions related to the slow down in our development program, including the elimination of our aviation department and sale of the company's jet. We remain extremely optimistic about the future for REN,'' concluded Tannenbaum.

The company reported that it had incurred approximately $700,000 in costs relating to its proposed public offering filed in September. Due to the deterioration in the stock market since that time, REN has been unable to complete its offering and the company has been exploring with its investment bankers alternative means of raising additional capital.

Because of the uncertainty of these endeavors, all or a portion of the costs incurred in connection with the proposed stock offering may be charged to fourth quarter earnings.

As a result of the uncertainty related to the raising of additional funds for the company's aggressive acquisition and development program, REN may also charge all or a portion of deferred pre-acquisition development costs to fourth quarter's earnings.

Approximately $700,000 in deferred charges, currently carried on the balance sheet, are related to approximately 40 potential new dialysis centers and other potential business operations, the completion of which remains uncertain for the near term.

The technical defaults on the company's bank credit agreement include failing to maintain the ratio of average indebtness to annualized cash flow required under the agreement, lending activities without bank prior approval and exceeding the aggregate capital expenditures permitted under the agreement.

Although the lending bank has the right to require acceleration of the company's repayment of its loan as a result of the violations, the company has requested waivers and/or amendements to the credit agreement to cure the defaults and believes it highly unlikely that the lending bank will require acceleration.

REN Corp. - USA is engaged primarily in providing renal dialysis services to patients suffering from chronic kidney failure. Dialysis services are provided principally at the company's 27 freestanding outpatient REN Centers located in 10 states.

The company also provides outpatient dialysis services to patients in their homes and inpatient dialysis services through contracts with 20 hospitals. In addition, the company performs blood, tissue and urine testing services for its REN Centers, as well as for independent physicians and industry, at its three clinical laboratories.

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-30- 3988

#90323b0846 11/19/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - American Vision Centers, Inc. Monday reported results for the third quarter and nine months ending Sept. 30.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, the company reported systemwide sales of $8,513,000 vs. $9,377,000 for the comparable period last year. Systemwide sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, were $27,201,000 vs. $26,781,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, the company reported a net loss of $1,383,000 or $(.17) per share on revenues of $4,642,000. For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989, the net loss was $524,000 or $(.08) per share, on revenues of $4,717,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, the company reported a net loss of $3,232,000, or $(.39) per share, on revenues of $14,476,000 compared with a net loss of $1,441,000 or $(.21) per share, on revenues of $13,514,000 reported for the prior period.

American Visions Centers Inc. operates and franchises retail optical stores specializing in the sale of eyeglasses, contact lenses and related ophthalmic

accessories under the names ''American Vision Centers'', ''Joliet Optical'', ''Illinois Optical'', ''Eyeworld'' and ''Optica''.

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-30- 1595

#90323c0002 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effectiv Nov. 15:

Northrim Bank (NRIM)
Vector Aeromotive Corp. - Units 11/14/95 (VCARU), Wts 11/14/95 (VCARW)
Willard Pease Oil & Gas Co. - Units 3/12/92 (WPOGU)

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#90323c0003 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 15:

CIMM Inc. (CMODE); Not current in required filings
Cantel Industries Inc. - Cl B (CATBC); Capital & Surplus below minimum
ODECO Inc. (ODEC); Issue postponed, security never quoted
Retailing Corporation of America (RCOAC); Capital & Surplus below minimum

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#90323c0004 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Peoples Telephone Co. Inc.(TICKER: PTEL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,989,714	$4,703,353
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$160,192	$245,039
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$0.06

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$31,932,926	$17,469,455
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,740,911	$9,206,258

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#90323c0006 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Fairmount Chemical Co. Inc.(TICKER: FMTC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,759,800	$1,945,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(674,400)	$(659,300)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$(0.15)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,672,500	$8,487,300
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$76,400	$(200,900)

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#90323c0007 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Isramco Inc.(TICKER: ISRL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$390,566	$336,837
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$134,101	$28,794

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,637,123	9,640,766

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,791,153	$5,523,674
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,441,324	$5,296,484

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#90323c0008 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Richard Barrie Fragrances Inc.(TICKER: RBFI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,065,702	$599,399
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(361,777)	$(411,126)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.11)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,481,020	3,900,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,012,141	$1,473,227
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$566,282	$928,059

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#90323c0009 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Immunomedics Inc.(TICKER: IMMU).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$367,500	$453,864
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,372,509)	$(892,197)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	23,074,119	$23,074,119

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,550,738	$9,093,795
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,015,251	$7,387,760

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#90323c0010 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Northern Jersey Financial Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
INTEREST INCOME	$415	$160
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(132,939)	$(46,410)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(4.42)	$(4.51)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	30,100	10,300

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,181,980	$165,120
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$381,612	$147,483

The company is a developmental stage firm and to date, the bank has engaged only in organizational activities and has no operating history.

The company's executive office is located at 500 Route 10, Roxbury Township, New Jersey 07846 and its telephone number is (201) 927-6900.

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#90323c0011 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Arctco Inc.(TICKER: ACAT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$69,272,000	$57,355,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$9,326,000	$6,777,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.73	$0.62
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,784,000	11,008,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$90,586,000	$56,150,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$62,579,000	$34,463,000

Arctco engineers, manufactures and markets a full line of snowmobiles and related parts, garments and accessories under the Arctic Cat and Arcticwear brand names.

The company's executive office is located at 600 Brooks Ave. South, Thief River Falls, Minnesota 56701 and its telephone number is (218) 681-8558.

-30- 1401
#90323c0012 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sierra Real Estate Equity Trust '84 Co. (TICKER: SREE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$2,010,868	$2,033,232
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(891,920)	$(501,922)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.18)	$(0.10)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$63,925,186	$66,456,353
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$23,619,313	$26,100,809

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#90323c0014 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by SGI International.(TICKER: SGII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$347,603
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,114,884)	$(30,195)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	27,518,303	24,794,592

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,128,473	$5,272,080
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$534,268	$118,180

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#90323c0015 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First of America Bank Corp.(TICKER: FOA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$33,450,000	$31,216,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.85	$0.75

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,611,270	$12,792,682
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$956,450	$947,936

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#90323c0016 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Florida Partners Corp.(TICKER: FPCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,695	$11,254
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(31,566)	$(885,747)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.76)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$756,572	$1,383,992
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$613,164	$1,057,524

The company's executive address is 1320 South Dixie Hwy., Coral Gables, Florida 33146, and its telephone number is (305) 665-8100.

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#90323c0017 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Viragen Inc.(TICKER: VRGN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$73,918	$94,305
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(416,213)	$(463,284)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.05)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,833,669	9,226,247

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,671,458	$3,478,368
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,013,017	$1,035,405

The company reports it continues to incur losses from operations and has not been able to produce cash flows from its operations sufficient to support its operating and research activities.

Its executive address is 2343 West 76th Street, Hialeah, Florida 33016, and its telephone number is (305) 557-6000.

-30- 1375
#90323c0018 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sierra Real Estate Equity Trust '82. (TICKER: SREE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$266,480	$234,770
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(49,652)	$(171,168)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.11)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,304,932	$7,813,692
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,366,283	$4,757,008

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#90323c0019 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Home Shield Corp.(TICKER: AHSC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$18,341,000	$17,589,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,944,000	$3,953,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$82,626,000	$83,436,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$24,493,000	$25,846,000

-30- 954

#90323c0020 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Rally Ventures Ltd.(TICKER: RALL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$16,673	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(588,752)	$(20,935)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.20)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,954,439	2,954,439

-30- 845

#90323c0022 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Noble Roman's Inc.(TICKER: NROM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,303,769	$1,350,830
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$168,751	$37,491
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.09	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,951,489	1,712,600

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,957,742	$7,772,965
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,920,061	$2,004,135

-30- 1051

#90323c0023 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Regional Federal Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: RFBI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$215,372	$198,505
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.28	$0.26

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$149,255,735	$151,919,316
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$17,066,112	$16,926,858

-30- 821

#90323c0024 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Diversified Human Resources Group Inc. (TICKER: HIRE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,354,423	$7,872,898
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(122,139)	$47,695
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(338,973)	$92,548
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.18)	$0.05
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,881,161	1,881,161

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,409,289	$6,475,899
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,153,507	$2,069,392

-30- 1111

#90323c0025 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Thermal Exploration Co.(TICKER: TECC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$86,467	$97,847
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(72,713)	$(65,821)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,136,461	10,963,681

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,374,785	$3,460,979
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,012,437	$1,085,150

-30- 1085

#90323c0026 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cedar Income Fund Ltd.(TICKER: CEDR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$504,889	$529,041
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$112,887	$124,893
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$0.06
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,328,528	2,328,717

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$19,156,885	$19,577,403
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$17,448,030	$17,962,581

-30- 1079

#90323c0027 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Westernworld Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,656,170	$3,000,520
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(513,686)	$(583,693)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$(0.13)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,649,000	4,649,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,045,328,	$9,452,164
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$(9,405,145)	$(11,336,150)

-30- 1061

#90323c0028 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by TW Services Inc.(TICKER: TW).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended July 21

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$973,504,000	$653,740
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,310,000)	$(34,467,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(1.17)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	110,000,000	29,396,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,530,938,000	$3,632,180,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$144,929,000	$207,041,000

-30- 1045

#90323c0030 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Commercial Programming Unlimited Inc. (TICKER: CPUI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$494,390	$592,389
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(219,482)	$(330,359)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,812,980	2,812,980

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,638,071	$12,156,175
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,311,673	$9,344,866

-30- 1104

#90323c0031 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Wisconsin REIT.(TICKER: WRES).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$52,016,000	$43,858,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,295,000)	$442,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(2.18)	$0.28
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,513,571	1,553,051

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$288,045,000	$276,452,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(8,166,000)	$11,023,000

-30- 1086
#90323c0032 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Levy Bancorp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,040,00	$1,574,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.71	$0.55
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,884,920	2,849,788

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$621,266,000	$609,373,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$47,467,000	$41,666,000

-30- 858
#90323c0033 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Citizens Bancorp.(TICKER: CIBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$7,500,000	$8,204,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.53	$0.57

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,585,521	$2,844,628
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$255,060	$248,027

-30- 808
#90323c0034 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Georgia Bonded Fibers Inc.(TICKER: GBFH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,634,000	$8,530,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(295,000)	$(17,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.19)	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$22,552,000	$4,480,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,156,000	$9,254,000

-30- 982
#90323c0035 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by BT Energy Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$760,000	$523,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$22,000	$13,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	20,215,000	19,938,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,367,000	$3,708,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,191,000	$1,026,000

The company's executive office is located at 5755 Granger Road, Suite 910, Independence, Ohio 44131 and its telephone number is (216) 749-6191.

-30- 1173

#90323c0036 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by International Basic Resources Inc. (TICKER: IBRM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$23,001	$11,101
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(79,550)	$(35,411)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,882,556	$3,975,281
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,208,564	$1,288,114

-30- 1026

#90323c0038 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 6 1990, Home Shopping Club Inc. filed a complaint against Marketing Systems of America Inc.

In the complaint, Home Shopping asserted that it purchased from Marketing Systems cosmetic products and that due to a clerical error, it overpaid Marketing Systems by $1,424,305.

During Marketing Systems' fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989, sales to Home Shopping accounted for $2.67 million of Marketing Systems revenues of $4.86 million.

Marketing Systems believes that the complaint is without merit and intends to defend the action vigorously.

-30- 797
#90323c0039 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - Monolite Industries Inc. filed a Form 10-Q with the NASD stating on Aug. 28, 1990 it changed its name from Innovative Medical Technology Inc. to Monolite Industries Inc.

The company's new symbol is MOLI and it is engaged in the production of monolithic composite panels used in the production of truck trailers, residential and commercial building panels, shipping containers and rail cars.

At present, the company is in the development stage and it reports zero assets as of Sept. 30, 1990.

On July 17, 1990, Ronald W. Huegli was elected to serve out the term of office created by the resignation of Mr. Steve Lopez.

Mr. Huegli was elected to the position of president and chairman of the board of the company.

On July 17, 190, Mr. Brian Burgoyne was elected a board member and vice president of the company.

Due to the resignation of Suzy Frost as secretary/treasurer and a director effective Sept. 7, 1990, Mr. Burgoyne was elected to serve out her term as secretary/treasurer of the company on Sept. 10, 1990.

The Portland, Oregon office of Deloitte & Touche was chosen on Sept. 10, 1990 to serve as Monolite's new accounting firm.

Monolite's executive office is located c/o Brian Burgoyne, 315 Grand Blvd., Vancouver, Washington 98661 and its telephone number is (206) 693-7855.

-30- 1503
#90323c0040 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:36 that trade in Pioneer Financial Corp.(NASDAQ: PION) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 5 1/2. The company is located in Chester, Virginia.

-30- 355
#90323c0041 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:39 that trade in Softkey Software Products Inc.(NASDAQ: SKEYF) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 5/16.

-30- 326

#90323c0042 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in Montedison Spa has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE ticker symbol MNT.

-30- 306

#90323c0043 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Tpex Exploration Inc.(TICKER: TPEX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$179,961	$164,462
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(5,540)	$(25,330)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,964,759	12,952,159

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,046,871	$1,078,104
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$462,327	$467,867

-30- 1060

#90323c0044 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Carmel Energy Inc.(TICKER: CRML).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$155,980	$169,610
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$21,688	$21,486
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$550,438	$587,418
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$143,524	$129,933

-30- 973

#90323c0046 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mobile National Corp.(TICKER: MBNC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,066,000	$2,098,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$21,000	$(1,313,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(1.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,175,000	1,175,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$96,670,000	$94,966,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,701,000	$7,685,000

-30- 1058

#90323c0047 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by New Horizons Savings and Loan Association. (TICKER: NHSL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(7,040)	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$617,600	$527,162
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.30	$0.26

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$224,161,961	$220,463,657
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,794,004	$12,561,008

-30- 890

#90323c0048 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ronson Corp.(TICKER: RONC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,633,000	$7,797,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(114,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(266,000)	$(153,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.19)	$(0.12)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$16,129,000	$17,340,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(47,000)	$783,000

-30- 1000

#90323c0049 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Optimumcare Corp.(TICKER: OPMC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$323,408	$301,443

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(148,446)	$(157,673)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.03)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$783,222	$1,080,085
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$575,585	$1,005,758

-30- 1016

#90323c0050 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Magic Circle Energy 1982 Drilling Program. (TICKER: MCEN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$26,000	$58,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(5,000)	$26,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$261,000	$291,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$241,000	$289,000

-30- 968

#90323c0052 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Magic Circle Energy 1981-B Drilling Program. (TICKER: MCEN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$45,000	$74,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(4,000)	$37,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$257,000	$299,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$235,000	$278,000

-30- 971

#90323c0053 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Discovery Technologies Inc.(TICKER: DSCV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$323,642	$237,619
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(591,215)	$(145,908)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	15,950,000	8,500,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,367,036	$5,117,825
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,992,768	$4,583,983

-30- 1070

#90323c0055 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:47 that trade in CBS Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol CBS.

-30- 293
#90323c0056 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:50 that trade in Transtech Industries Inc.(NASDAQ: TRTI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 5/8. The company is located in Piscataway, New Jersey.

-30- 361
#90323c0057 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:13 that trade in Spec's Music Inc.(NASDAQ: SPEK) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 3 1/2.

-30- 323
#90323c0058 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in CBS Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CBS. Trading was resumed at 10:50.

-30- 330
#90323c0059 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Freymiller Trucking Inc.(TICKER: FRML).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$20,369,000	$16,459,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$546,000	$504,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.22	$0.21
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,450,000	2,450,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$71,593,000	$64,358,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$17,224,000	$15,710,000

-30- 1073

#90323c0060 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Diversco Inc.(TICKER: DVRS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,212,962	$10,978,144
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(19,578)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$294,792	$274,356
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.13	$0.12
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,236,036	2,378,945

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,530,054	$13,409,729
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,417,713	$7,821,449

-30- 1059

#90323c0061 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Financial Trust Corp.(TICKER: FITC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,995,000	$2,577,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.99	$0.86
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,023,081	3,007,728

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$744,684,000	$626,366,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$75,068,000	$69,488,000

-30- 865
#90323c0063 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Haywood Savings and Loan Association Inc. (TICKER: HWNC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$275,446	$193,168
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.44	$0.31
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	631,036	631,036

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$125,405,143	$125,920,760
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,536,493	$14,908,855

-30- 911
#90323c0064 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by MacMillan Bloedel Limited.(TICKER: MMBL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$719,400,000	$818,000,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$6,200,000	$65,400,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.60
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	102,650,000	102,650,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$3,038,300,000	$2,869,100,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,761,300,000	$1,782,600,000

-30- 1099

#90323c0065 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Summit Financial Corp.(TICKER: SUMM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(287,112)	$(145,535)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.28)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,043,000	

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$27,525,454	$13,766
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,361,204	$(285,666)

-30- 855

#90323c0066 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Progressive Bank Inc.(TICKER: PSBK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(383,000)	$1,544,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.13)	$0.52
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,917,000	2,950,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$635,800,000	$647,856,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$59,677,000	$64,819,000

-30- 886
#90323c0067 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Security Corp. of Kentucky.(TICKER: FSCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,033,000	$4,705,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.33	$0.51
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,084,000	9,159,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,681,300,000	$1,780,263,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$119,811,000	$119,754,000

-30- 909
#90323c0068 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Siebels Bruce Group Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$56,613,293	$51,292,097
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$329,006	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,627,944	$(5,673,300)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.21	$(0.77)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,444,046	7,364,860

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$325,414,335	$376,828,193

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$70,629,022	$57,507,658

-30- 1057
#90323c0069 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Artech Recovery Systems Inc.(TICKER: ARTK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,829	$23,722
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(224,751)	$(188,520)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,544,154	6,744,154

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,802,969	$3,138,489
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,377,270	$2,712,598

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise.

Its executive offices are located at 16700 N.E. 79th Street, Suite 201, Redmond, Washington 98052, and its telephone number is (206) 885-6929.

-30- 1277
#90323c0071 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Aceto Corp.(TICKER: ACET).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$26,390,000	$25,640,000

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$538,000	$674,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.13	$0.16
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$65,658,000	$68,244,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$46,375,000	$46,092,000

-30- 993

#90323c0072 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Universal Guaranty Investment Co.(TICKER: UGCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,924,925	$4,334,485
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(469,011)	$175,820
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,859,087	11,849,432

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$227,835,241	$233,591,619
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$25,951,271	$27,039,026

-30- 1110

#90323c0073 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Investors Trust Inc.(TICKER: ITIN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,343,777	$4,840,601
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(166,730)	$21,442
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,580,837	10,124,629

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$241,298,955	$248,702,635
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,490,174	$19,113,103

-30- 1091

#90323c0074 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:31 that trade in E&B Marine Inc.(NASDAQ: EBMI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 15/16. The company is located in Edison, New Jersey.

-30- 339

#90323c0075 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:37 that trade in Pioneer Financial Corp.(NASDAQ: PION) has been resumed. The first sale was 5 1/4; down 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 359

#90323c0076 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:45 that trade in Softkey Software Products Inc.(NASDAQ: SKEYF) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/4; up 1/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 373

#90323c0077 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:24 that trade in Gradco Systems Inc.(NASDAQ: GRCO) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 1/8. The company is located in Irvine, California.

-30- 349
#90323c0079 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Main St. & Main Inc.(TICKER: MAIN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Feb. 23, 1990

	Oct. 1, 1990	Through Oct. 1, 1990
REVENUES	$2,646,545	$4,151,370
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(251,362)	$493,187)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.10)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,567,227	4,974,982

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 1, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,181,514
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,389,979

The company reports it effectively began operations on May 15, 1990, when Cornerstone Productions Inc. commenced operating four restaurants located in Arizona and Nevada under the name "T.G.I. Friday's."

Consequently, no figures are reported for the corresponding period in 1989, before operations began.

The company's executive address is 8700 East Via De Ventura, Suite 305, Scottsdale, Arizona 85258, and its telephone number is (602) 951-3200.

-30- 1508
#90323c0080 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by New Generation Foods Inc.(TICKER: NGEN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,044,559	$858,688
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(348,292)	$(363,763)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,266,060	10,870,042

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,694,755	$4,225,995
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,459,417	$2,809,467

-30- 1089

#90323c0081 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Victoria Creations Inc.(TICKER: VITC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,944,000	$16,077,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,517,000)	$(148,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.20)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,500,000	7,500,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$59,600,000	$57,970,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$30,556,000	$32,073,000

-30- 1093

#90323c0082 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Gold King Consolidated Inc.(TICKER: GKCI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,595,263	$69,783
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(11,132)	$(25,374)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	36,603,943	28,503,943

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,612,130	$6,815,549
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,710,255	$5,908,578

-30- 1108

#90323c0083 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Rock Financial Corp.(TICKER: RFIN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$495,000	$510,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.65	$0.67

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$145,840,000	$151,862,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,853,000	$16,296,000

-30- 797

#90323c0084 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Louisville Gas and Electric Co.(TICKER: LGAS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$184,256,000	$171,682,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$34,229,000	$32,758,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,945,952,000	$1,905,306,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$397,924,000	$356,073,000

-30- 984

#90323c0085 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Farm & Home Financial Corp.(TICKER: FAHS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,676,000)	$(28,410,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.70)	$(6.81)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,298,091,000	$3,085,162,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$178,607,000	$180,546,000

-30- 832

#90323c0087 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Danielson Federal Savings and Loan Association. (TICKER: DNFD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$21,423	$42,459
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$58,447	$121,691
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.15	$0.30
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$136,860,000	$137,869,515
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,197,386	$4,966,633

-30- 935

#90323c0088 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Amarillo Bancorporation Inc.(TICKER: FAMA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$369,741	$183,500
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$997,262	$582,802
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.21	$0.20
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,699,755	2,868,101

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$669,888,736	$760,238,784
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$31,290,117	$23,294,938

-30- 982

#90323c0089 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:58 that trade in E&B Marine Inc.(NASDAQ: EBMI) has been resumed. The first sale was 1; up 1/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 337
#90323c0090 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:40 that trade in Westwood One Inc. (NASDAQ: WONE) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3-1/2.

-30- 298
#90323c0091 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pennsylvania Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: PENT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$22,147,000	$20,995,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,995,000)	$(1,779,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.10)	$(0.66)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,719,906	2,707,982

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$509,697,000	$495,275,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$354,281,000	$350,751,000

-30- 1076
#90323c0092 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Allcity Insurance Co.(TICKER: ALCI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$17,015,000	$15,194,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$980,000	$1,742,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.11	$0.22
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,020,000	7,020,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$168,704,000	$156,636,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$34,823,000	$31,747,000

-30- 1073

#90323c0093 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Scottish Heritable Corp.(TICKER: SHER).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,922,000	$9,875,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(108,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(131,000)	$(10,875,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(2.82)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$37,402,000	$34,985,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,513,000	$6,284,000

-30- 1042

#90323c0095 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Barringer Resources Inc.(TICKER: BARR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$2,698,000	$2,396,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(17,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(705,000)	$70,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,977,432	3,688,465

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,001,000	$7,865,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$983,000	$2,311,000

-30- 1103

#90323c0096 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Enzon Inc.(TICKER: ENZN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$2,129,123
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,380,098)	$1,343,234
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.19)	$0.11
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,761,22	12,351,583

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$26,241,284	$29,079,496
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$22,957,142	$25,097,892

-30- 1055

#90323c0097 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Krisch American Inns Inc.(TICKER: INNS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,168,801	$1,889,620
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(348,381)	$(105,459)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$21,928,904	$22,759,720
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,581,514	$4,990,652

-30- 1061

#90323c0098 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Citizens Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: FCNC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$8,108,000	$7,128,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.87	$0.75

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,409,933,000	$3,693,898,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$252,089,000	$233,264,000

-30- 832

#90323c0099 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cadema Corp.(TICKER: CDMA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$295,243	$346,343
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(155,693)	$(307,092)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.05)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,321,401	8,147,055

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,033,729	$2,259,603
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,659,531	$2,101,761

-30- 1066

#90323c0100 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Digimetrics Inc.(TICKER: DIGM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,539,973	$1,373,631
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$54,353	$41,026
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,242,592	3,248,192

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,302,128	$3,936,747
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,934,206	$1,879,853

-30- 1054

#90323c0101 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M. SALKIND OF SECAUCUS, NEW JERSEY OWNS 242,050 SHARES (5.30%) OF CODENOLL TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: CODN) OF YONKERS, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 11 to Nov. 14, 1990, Salkind bought 36,600 shares at $3.00 to $3.88.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares for investment.

-30- 491
#90323c0103 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a Nov. 17, 1990 press release, the chairman of CRI commented negatively on the plan announced by AIM (TICKER: AIMA) managers to lower management fees.

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#90323c0105 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.L. CALLANDER OWNS 105,599 SHARES (6.90%) OF KENTUCKY MEDICAL INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: KYMD) OF LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 31, 1990, Kentucky Medical Insurance Co. agreed to merger with United Leaseshares Inc., of which R.L. Callander is the sole stockholder. As a result R.L. Callander exchanged his 53,580 shares in United for 105,599 shares in Kentucky Medical Insurance Co. and the right to receive up to 158,399 class A shares within ten days of the release of Kentucky Medical Insurance Co.'s 1992 financial statements as long as the market price of the shares is less than $10 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 872
#90323c0106 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY C.C. GREER OWNS 509,245 SHARES (12.69%) OF HERITAGE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.(TICKER: HERS) OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

C.C. Greer, et al. acquired the shares on Dec. 31, 1985 pursuant to the voluntary dissolution of Martin Oil Service Inc.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 513
#90323c0107 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

J.F. KROPPER OWNS 436,000 SHARES (4.20%) OF HADCO CORP. (TICKER: HDCO) OF SALEM, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On May 1, 1990, an option to purchase 400,000 shares held by J.F. Kropper was amended to decrease the number of shares to 270,000. On Oct. 31, 1990, 22,000 shares became vested under a 1987 option agreement.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 551
#90323c0108 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

NETWORTH PARTNERS LP OWNS 455,310 SHARES (5.84%) OF VENTURA ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LTD. (TICKER: VEGG) OF NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The limited partners of Networth Partners LP hold an additional 298,250 shares representing 3.82 percent.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Networth Partners LP purchased 161,000 shares from Oct. 4-19, 1990 for $7.63 to $9.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 625
#90323c0109 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 243,651 SHARES (6.10%) OF PERINI CORP. (TICKER: PCR) OF FRAMINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. sold 63,200 shares from Nov. 5-6, 1990 for $7.62 to $8.17 per share and converted preferred shares into 3,510 shares on the same dates at $20.11 to $20.45 per share.

-30- 510
#90323c0110 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Health Advancement Services Inc.(TICKER: HASI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$84,233	$135,055
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(243,126)	$(120,297)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,510,000	5,500,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,527,382	$1,794,581
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$446,562	$689,688

-30- 1089

#90323c0112 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Amoskeag Co.(TICKER: AMOS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$322,170,000	$352,202,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,032,000)	$988,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.89)	$0.29

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,002,793,000	$939,002,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$135,513,000	$144,136,000

-30- 994

#90323c0113 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Isomet Corp.(TICKER: IOMT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$1,452,000	$1,685,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(232,000)	$(188,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$(0.09)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,031,110	2,023,862

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,017,000	$8,586,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,233,000	$4,803,000

-30- 1088

#90323c0114 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Indiana Financial Investors Inc.(TICKER: IFII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$150,444	$319,787
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$94,632	$48,700
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$52,502	$169,982
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$0.18

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,231,841	$13,296,230
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$12,655,155	$12,761,654

-30- 1032

#90323c0115 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Micronetics Inc.(TICKER: NOIZ).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$597,511	$875,362
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$3,107	$15,585
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$10,358	$58,767
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,109,199	2,035,573

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,695,571	$2,879,485
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,137,380	$1,090,330

-30- 1057

#90323c0116 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Tocor Inc.(TICKER: TOCR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Period From

	Sept. 30, 1990	July 11 to Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$352,785	$438,056
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(4,289,935)	$(4,374,887)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.49)	$(1.61)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,875,000	2,720,125

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$17,242,879	$24,853,660
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,292,226	$24,618,610

Tocor commenced operations on July 11, 1989 for the purposes of initiating development of therapeutic products for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis and systemic lupus erythematosus.

-30- 1305

#90323c0117 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Iowa National Bankshares Corp.(TICKER: INBS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,987,000	$2,249,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.04	$0.98
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,884,362	2,229,256

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$865,191,000	$676,955,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$92,055,000	$61,528,000

-30- 880

#90323c0118 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Chantal Pharmaceutical Corp.(TICKER: CHTL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,667	$2,018,601
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(668,794)	$1,023,172
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.06
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	17,520,000	17,322,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,761,703	$2,487,254

-30- 1020

#90323c0120 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Arista Investors Corp.(TICKER: ARIN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,444,321	$3,001,400
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(517,855)	$75,298
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.24)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,179,057	2,179,057

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$11,136,881	$12,223,462
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,620,012	$5,086,183

-30- 1074

#90323c0121 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by USBANCORP Inc.(TICKER: USBP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,788,000	$1,706,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.59	$0.56
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,547,535	2,540,239

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$772,920,000	$751,228,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$63,751,000	$58,827,000

-30- 870

#90323c0123 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Las Vegas Discount Golf & Tennis Inc. (TICKER: LVDG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$921,000	$1,096,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(29,000)	$191,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(214,000)	$262,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.05

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,186,000	$3,053,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,014,000	$2,362,000

-30- 1034

#90323c0124 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pneumo Abex.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$204,800,000	$202,600,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(22,200,000)	$(12,700,000)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,212,700,000	$1,146,000,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(20,500,000)	$(59,600,000)

-30- 1007

#90323c0125 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Progressive Savings Bank.(TICKER: PRSL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$19,777	$51,385
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.01

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$376,810,542	$399,704,123
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,332,989	$8,941,470

-30- 809

#90323c0126 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Interactive Media Technologies Inc.(TICKER: IMTX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,478	$5,312
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(939,468)	$(500,816)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.05)

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	15,487,141	10,449,554

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,229,558	$2,976,887
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,357	$2,145,678

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise and that during the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, it ws primarily engaged in the research and development of its proprietary hardware product IMTX 8000 (TM) units, delivered to applications development sites during July and August, 1990.

Interactive's corporate address is 7320 E. Butherus Drive, Suite 200, Scottsdale, Arizona 85260, and its telephone number is (602) 443-3093.

-30- 1566

#90323c0127 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Paulson Capital Corp.(TICKER: PLCC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,798,997	$1,177,150
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(11,033)	$(78,833)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,280,992	$2,907,127
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,484,232	$1,297,071

-30- 1003

#90323c0129 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by New Retail Concepts Inc.(TICKER: NRCX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,773,303	$4,275,030
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$319,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(759,550)	$738,480
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.14)	$0.13
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,303,087	5,708,031

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,554,057	$6,375,123
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,267,990	$2,975,546

-30- 1078
#90323c0130 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Centrum Industries Inc.(TICKER: CIII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Six Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,419,352	$2,582,630
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(9,131)	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(71,195)	$1,581
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,898,102	1,898,102

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,463,991	$1,527,431
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$996,929	$1,004,500

-30- 1070
#90323c0131 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by HealthInfusion Inc.(TICKER: HINF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,780,792	$1,624,078
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$629,396	$460,033
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.15	$0.14
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,120,000	3,382,235

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,865,172	$2,582,041
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,446,817	$(119,632)

The company's executive address is 5200 Blue Lagoon Drive, Suite 200, Miami, Florida 33126, and its telephone number is (305) 267-1177.

-30- 1230
#90323c0132 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Suburban Federal Savings Bank.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$145,000	$409,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.26	$0.73

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$103,284,000	$99,756,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,152,000	$9,873,000

-30- 808

#90323c0133 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Neuromedical Technologies Inc.(TICKER: NMTI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(446,506)	$(566,714)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.22)	$(0.38)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,024,335	1,243,978

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,333,262	$8,195,871
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,197,320	$7,703,309

-30- 1093

#90323c0134 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:47 that trade in Gradco Systems Inc.(NASDAQ: GRCO) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 5/8; down 1/2 point from the halt, and down 3/8 point from the previous close.

-30- 367

#90323c0135 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:08 that trade in Westwood One (NASDAQ: WONE) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/2; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 334

#90323c0137 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH H BOYCHUK OF HONEY HOLLOW RD, BOX #214, POUND RIDGE, NY 10576, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF LEADVILLE MINING & MILLING CORP. (TICKER: LDMM) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(LEADVILLE MINING & MILLING CORP. TEL: 212 344-2828)

-30- 475
#90323c0138 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HALEEN F ZWEIFEL OF P O BOX 951, MANHATTAN BEACH, CA 90266, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF FARAH INC. (TICKER: FRA) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 06, 1990.

(FARAH INC. TEL: 915 593-4444)

-30- 387
#90323c0139 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HALTER VENTURE CORP OF 7441 MARVIN D LOVE FRWY #2000, DALLAS, TX 75237, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CONSOLIDATED AMERICAN INDS INC. (TICKER: COAM) THROUGH HILL THOMPSON MAGID. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(CONSOLIDATED AMERICAN INDS INC. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 472
#90323c0140 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK F EMERSON OF 4040 POSTE LANE RD, COLUMBUS, OH 43221, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF MAX & ERMA'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: MAXE) THROUGH LADENBURG THALMAN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(MAX & ERMA'S RESTAURANTS INC. TEL: 614 431-5800)

-30- 450
#90323c0141 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GAIL P CUST COLLINS OF 3 NORTH STREET, OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AURA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AURA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(AURA SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 213 643-5300)

-30- 413
#90323c0142 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM A THOMAS OF 2312 ARLENE DR, SANTA CLARA, CA 95050, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,435 SHARES OF INTERSPEC INC. (TICKER: ISPC) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(INTERSPEC INC. TEL: 214 540-9190)

-30- 405
#90323c0143 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TONY RODRIGUEZ OF 1500 W 24TH STREET, SUNSET ISLAND #3, MIAMI BEACH, FL 33140, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF DEFAULT PROOF CREDIT CARD SYSTEM (TICKER: DPRS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(DEFAULT PROOF CREDIT CARD SYSTEM TEL: 305 446-8361)

-30- 487
#90323c0145 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CIRO B SOSA OF 112 CIBAO CT, CORAL GABLES, FL 33134, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF DEFAULT PROOF CREDIT CARD SYSTEM (TICKER: DPRS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(DEFAULT PROOF CREDIT CARD SYSTEM TEL: 305 446-8361)

-30- 457
#90323c0146 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PEDRO P LLAGUNO OF 2528 SW 24TH AVE, CORAL CABLES, FL 33133, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF DEFAULT PROOF CREDIT CARD SYSTEM (TICKER: DPRS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13,

1990.

(DEFAULT PROOF CREDIT CARD SYSTEM TEL: 305 446-8361)

-30- 469
#90323c0147 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STANLEY M FRIDSTEIN OF 3801 CHARTHOUSE CIRCLE, 0, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91361, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 484
#90323c0148 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LENNY M TARGON OF 4058 MARINER CIRCLE, 0, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91361, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 473
#90323c0149 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERART FINANCIAL SERVICES OF 145 JORDAN ROAD, RENSSELAR PARK, TROY, NY 12180, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CIMM INC. (TICKER: CMOD) THROUGH KOONCE SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(CIMM INC. TEL: 518 283-7600)

-30- 409
#90323c0150 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL L HACKWORTH OF 1463 CENTRE POINTE DR, MILPITAS, CA 95035, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(CIRRUS LOGIC INC. TEL: 408 945-8300)

-30- 418
#90323c0151 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M GRANT SHARP OF 16827 NE 122 ST, REDMOND, WA 98052, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. TEL: 206 881-7544)

-30- 425
#90323c0153 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID GOODMAN OF 9333 OSO AVENUE, CHATSWORTH, CA 91311, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH F N WOLF & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 424
#90323c0154 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JENNIE M JOHNSON OF P O BOX 789, GREENVILLE, SC 29602, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC) THROUGH DILLON READ & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(THE LIBERTY CORP. TEL: 803 268-8111)

-30- 399
#90323c0155 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - US GROWTH FUND PARTNERS CV OF 101 CALIFORNIA STREET, SUITE #3150 C/O PARIB SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,058 SHARES OF VERIFONE INC. (TICKER: VFIC) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(VERIFONE INC. TEL: 415 591-6500)

-30- 458
#90323c0156 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID L RABENHORST OF 833 GOVERNMENT STREET, BATON ROUGE, LA 70802, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: AIPN) THROUGH DORSEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP. TEL: 212 719-1590)

-30- 457
#90323c0157 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES S BECK OF 7 WAINWRIGHT ROAD #35, WINCHESTER, MA 01890, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 426
#90323c0158 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WARD QUINTEN E TRUST OF 1355 W THORNBERRY CT SE, GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49546, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF X-RITE INC. (TICKER: XRIT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(X-RITE INC. TEL: 616 534-7663)

-30- 410
#90323c0159 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT J FANELLA OF 238 REGENT ST, GLEN ELLYN, IL 60137, HAS FILED TO SELL 431,053 SHARES OF MICROENERGY INC. (TICKER: MCRE) THROUGH EDWARD D JONES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(MICROENERGY INC. TEL: 312 653-5900)

-30- 411
#90323c0161 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT G GATZA OF 22W309 ELMWOOD DR, GLEN ELLYN, IL 60137, HAS FILED TO SELL 213,625 SHARES OF MICROENERGY INC. (TICKER: MCRE) THROUGH EDWARD D JONES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(MICROENERGY INC. TEL: 312 653-5900)

-30- 411
#90323c0162 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DENNIS S GROGAN OF 2261 HUDSON, DENVER, CO 80207, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF IMEX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IMEX) THROUGH CAPSTONE ASSET. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(IMEX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 303 431-9400)

-30- 423
#90323c0163 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, R.H. DAESENER, DIR. OF CENTRAL JERSEY BANCORP. (TICKER: CJER), BOUGHT 244 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90323c0164 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 1, 1990, H. LEE, DIR. OF DIXIE NATIONAL CORP.(TICKER: DNLC) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,600.

-30- 295
#90323c0165 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 4, 1990, B.D. HALTE, DIR. OF DATATRONIX FINANCIAL SERVICES BOUGHT 554 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,233.

-30- 309
#90323c0166 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT.16, 1990, E.A. ISAKSON, DIR. OF SOUTHERN BANK GROUP INC. SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,750.

-30- 304
#90323c0177 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 22, 1990, D.E. MCRAE, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL CABLECASTING TECHNOLOGIE INC.(TICKER: ICCT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.65 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90323c0179 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, R.M. PATTEN, OFFICER OF WHEELABRATOR TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: WTI), SOLD 325 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,530.

-30- 334
#90323c0180 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90323c0181 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90323c0182 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 4, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90323c0183 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 8, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO. (TICKER:

FALL) BOUGHT 305 SHARES AT $39.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90323c0184 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 10, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO.
(TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $39.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90323c0185 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO.
(TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 399 SHARES AT $39.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90323c0187 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO.
(TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 1,560 SHARES AT $39.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90323c0188 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO.
(TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $39.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90323c0189 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO.
(TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $39.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT
HOLDINGS TO 121,314.

-30- 324
#90323c0190 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, M.J. MCGRATH, CHAIRMAN OF WEST JERSEY BANKSHARES INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,200.

-30- 316
#90323c0191 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, M.J. MCGRATH, CHAIRMAN OF WEST JERSEY BANKSHARES INC. BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90323c0192 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 8, 1990, M.J. MCGRATH, CHAIRMAN OF WEST JERSEY BANKSHARES INC. BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,667.

-30- 315
#90323c0193 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, L.A. MULDOWN, DIR. OF WINTER SPORTS INC. BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 608.

-30- 287
#90323c0195 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

LINDNER MANAGEMENT CORP. OWNS 1,261,400 SHARES (3.70%) OF AMBASE CORP. (TICKER: ABC) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Lidner Management Corp. is a member of a group that holds a total of 3,756,296 shares and 11.1 percent. The group was formed to vote their shares together and influence management. Members of the group have met with the president and CEO of Ambase Corp. to discuss the business of Ambase Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Lidner Management Corp. purchased 625,000 shares from Oct. 19-30, 1990 for $.81 to $.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 787
#90323c0196 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CARIBE INVESTMENTS CORP. OWNS 1,388,500 SHARES (4.10%) OF AMBASE CORP. (TICKER: ABC) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Caribe Investments Corp. is a member of a group that holds a total of 3,756,296 shares and 11.1 percent. The group was formed to vote their shares together and influence management. Members of the group have met with the president and CEO of Ambase Corp. to discuss the business of Ambase Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

The Caribe Investments Corp. purchased 880,000 shares on Nov. 12, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 762
#90323c0197 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY MIJEN LP 1 OWNS 225,650 SHARES (5.83%) OF PERINI INVESTMENT PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: PNV) OF FRAMINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Mijen LP 1 purchased all 225,650 shares in the past sixty days for $4.50 to $7 per share with an average price of $5.03 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 532
#90323c0198 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY DATATECH SERVICES INC. OF CINCINNATI, OHIO OWNS 30,000 SHARES (4.80%) OF FIRST FRANKLIN CORP. (TICKER: FFHS) OF CINCINNATI, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares included options granted to Mr. Nolting to purchase 808 shares pursuant to the First Franklin Corp. Stock Option and Incentive Plan. Datatech Services Inc. no longer own in excess of 5 percent of the voting securities of Franklin.

PURPOSE:

To reflect a decrease in share ownership by First Franklin Corp..

-30- 715
#90323c0199 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

H. VAL OWNS 2,475,000 SHARES (34.00%) OF INTERNATIONAL BANKCARD SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: IBSC) OF WOODBURY, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Val acquired the securities as consideration under an acquisition agreement dated Aug. 31, 1990 between IBSC, Valex International Inc., and the shareholders of Valex pursuant for which IBSC acquired all of the shares of Valex for shares of IBSC. Mr. Val was a 90 percent shareholder of Valex. Mr. Val has delivered a proxy to Robert Feuerzeig for a two-year term ending Oct. 31, 1992 relating to power to vote or to direct the vote and sold power to dispose of or to direct the disposition of all of these shares, subject to an escrow pursuant to which 1,800,000 shares are being held to be delivered to Mr. Val only in the event that he is instrumental during the two year period ending Oct. 31, 1992 in delivering additional net assets through Valex to IBSC.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1146
#90323c0200 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GROUP LED BY R.T. SHAW OF LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY OWNS 19,543,916 SHARES (22.50%) OF FIRST EXECUTIVE CORP (TICKER: FEXC) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a letter dated Oct. 3, 1990, Robert T. Shaw, Consolidated National Corp., responded to a recommendation by Edward N. Robinson, The First Boston Corp., with a written restructuring proposal for First Executive Corp. Also, in a letter dated Nov. 12, 1990, Robert T. Shaw stated that CNC is not pleased with the performance of FEC or FEC common stock and will continue to monitor closely the situation at FEC. He also stated that because of the tone of the communications and the reaction of First Boston and FEC to the recent CNC proposal, CNC is not in a position to further advance the discussions absent a changed reaction from FEC and First Boston.

PURPOSE:

Amendment.

-30- 1069
#90323c0201 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY STEEL PARTNERS LP OWNS 293,650 SHARES (8.30%) OF KINARK CORP. (TICKER: KIN) OF TULSA, OKLAHOMA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 15, 1990, Steel Partners LP, Et al. modified its offer to acquire Kinark Corp. for $6 per share for all outstanding shares.

-30- 467
#90323c0203 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

D. KRAMER OWNS 4,000 SHARES (.10%) OF AMBASE CORP. (TICKER: ABC) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

D. Kramer sold 321,000 shares on Oct. 3-4, 1990 for $1.88 to $2 per share and purchased 4,000 shares on Nov. 12, 1990.

-30- 422
#90323c0204 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

AUGUSTINE ASSET MANAGEMENT INC. OWNS 1,048,996 SHARES (3.10%) OF AMBASE CORP. (TICKER: ABC) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Augustine Asset Management Inc. is a member of a group that holds a total of 3,756,296 shares and 11.1 percent. The group was formed to vote their shares together and influence management. Members of the group have met with the president and CEO of Ambase Corp. to discuss the business of Ambase Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Augustine Asset Management Inc. purchased 181,100 shares on Oct. 12-13, 1990 for $.94 to $1 per share.

-30- 784
#90323c0205 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

G. RATNER OWNS 3,647,120 SHARES (5.50%) OF FIRST CHICAGO CORP. (TICKER: FNB) OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

G. Ratner purchased 1,384,875 shares from Oct. 1 to Nov. 9, 1990 for $13.25 to $17 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 451
#90323c0206 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

WR GRACE & CO. OWNS 2,515,720 SHARES (44.10%) OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: CANO) OF PORTER, INDIANA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

WR Grace & Co. purchased 95,500 shares for $9.25 to $9.38 per share.

-30- 421
#90323c0207 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.W. CHECOTA OWNS 701,845 SHARES (9.40%) OF UNIPAC CORP. (TICKER: UNIP) OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.W. Checota's shares were acquired on Nov. 8, 1990 upon the merger of Continental Ventures Inc. with a subsidiary of Unipac Corp. J.W. Checota received the shares in exchange for his holdings in CVI.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 547
#90323c0208 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY ALLEN & CO. INC. OWNS 822,857 SHARES (15.50%) OF SPECTRAN CORP. (TICKER: SPTR) OF STURBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an agreement dated Nov. 8, 1990, Allen & Co., Et Al. agreed to convert its $600,000 unsecured note into 342,857 common shares and modified its existing warrant to purchase 250,000 shares for $4.74 per share by August 14, 1993 to increase the number of shares to 350,000, decrease the price per share to $2 and extend the life to August 14, 1999.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 745
#90323c0212 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, BENJAMIN H GRISWOLD IV, CHAIRMAN OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90323c0214 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, BENJAMIN H GRISWOLD IV, CHAIRMAN OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90323c0215 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BENJAMIN H GRISWOLD IV, CHAIRMAN OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,901.

-30- 330
#90323c0216 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, BENJAMIN H GRISWOLD IV, CHAIRMAN OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 232,320.

-30- 332
#90323c0217 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, DONALD B HEBB JR, PRES. OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,714.

-30- 311
#90323c0218 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ALVIN B KRONGARD, DIR. OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), BOUGHT 4,145 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 317
#90323c0219 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, W GAR RICHLIN, OFFICER OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,590.

-30- 309
#90323c0220 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ROBERT T BROWN, OFFICER OF AUTOCLAVE ENGINEERS INC. (TICKER: ACLV), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,518.

-30- 330
#90323c0222 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, DONALD B WALKER, DIR. OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 204,045.

-30- 327
#90323c0223 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ROBERT FEUCHTER, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 171,901.

-30- 363
#90323c0224 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, CHARLES R BURKE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90323c0225 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, CHARLES R BURKE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90323c0226 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, CHARLES R BURKE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 259
#90323c0227 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, CHARLES R BURKE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 280,000.

-30- 296
#90323c0228 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90323c0230 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90323c0231 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90323c0232 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90323c0233 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90323c0234 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90323c0235 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 93,645.

-30- 294
#90323c0236 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, BRITTON H MURDOCH, OFFICER OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 301
#90323c0238 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LOWELL T SWENSON, DIR. OF AIRTRAN CORP. (TICKER: ATCC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90323c0239 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LOWELL T SWENSON, DIR. OF AIRTRAN CORP. (TICKER: ATCC), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90323c0240 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LOWELL T SWENSON, DIR. OF AIRTRAN CORP. (TICKER: ATCC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90323c0241 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LOWELL T SWENSON, DIR. OF AIRTRAN CORP. (TICKER: ATCC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90323c0242 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LOWELL T SWENSON, DIR. OF AIRTRAN CORP. (TICKER: ATCC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 172,924.

-30- 304
#90323c0243 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, TOBY G WARSON, PRES. OF ALLIANT TECHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ATK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 100.

-30- 319
#90323c0244 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, BARNEY DREYFUSS, DIR. OF ARIZONA LAND INCOME CORP. (TICKER: AZL), BOUGHT 281 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,886.

-30- 320
#90323c0246 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, DANA L PERRY, SHAREHOLDER OF AZTEC MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: AZTC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90323c0247 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, DANA L PERRY, SHAREHOLDER OF AZTEC MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: AZTC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,213.

-30- 335
#90323c0248 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, SIDNEY A STAUNTON, CHAIRMAN OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 401,228.

-30- 315
#90323c0249 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, MURRAY L SIMPSON, DIR. OF FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: BEN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90323c0250 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MURRAY L SIMPSON, DIR. OF FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: BEN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 319
#90323c0251 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 06, 1990, PETER M ELRICK, DIR. OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 333
#90323c0252 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, GENE W MILNER, DIR. OF BANK SOUTH CORP. (TICKER: BKSO), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90323c0254 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GERALD A NATHE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BALDWIN TECHNOLOGY CO. (TICKER: BLD), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 343
#90323c0255 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DOUGLAS G GREENE, OFFICER OF BMR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: BMRG), BOUGHT 925 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,145.

-30- 328
#90323c0256 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JAMES L GREENE, OFFICER OF BMR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: BMRG), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90323c0257 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JAMES L GREENE, OFFICER OF BMR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: BMRG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90323c0258 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JAMES L GREENE, OFFICER OF BMR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: BMRG), BOUGHT 6,100 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 418,900.

-30- 332
#90323c0259 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, W M BEARD, CHAIRMAN OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,197,451.

-30- 302
#90323c0260 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 09, 1990, ALVIN W TRIVELPIECE, DIR. OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $68.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 313
#90323c0262 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOHN H GARDINER, OFFICER OF BONNEVILLE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: BPCO), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 326
#90323c0263 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, HENRY P KILROY, DIR. OF THE QUICK & REILLY GROUP INC. (TICKER: BQR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 328
#90323c0264 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, J OGIER MATHEWES, VP OF BRENDLE'S INC. (TICKER: BRDL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 296
#90323c0265 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JEFFREY D MICK, OFFICER OF BRENDLE'S INC. (TICKER: BRDL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 300
#90323c0266 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, MARTIN L BEARER, DIR. OF BT FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BTFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90323c0267 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MARTIN L BEARER, DIR. OF BT FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BTFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90323c0268 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, MARTIN L BEARER, DIR. OF BT FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BTFC), BOUGHT 886 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,021.

-30- 310
#90323c0270 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, WILLIAM R TIMMONS JR, DIR. OF CAROLINA FIRST CORP. (TICKER: CAFC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90323c0271 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, WILLIAM R TIMMONS JR, DIR. OF CAROLINA FIRST CORP. (TICKER: CAFC), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $11.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,435.

-30- 324
#90323c0272 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 04, 1990, ESTHER D LIECHHARDT, DIR. OF CAPITOL TRANSAMERICA CORP. (TICKER: CATA), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,556.

-30- 336
#90323c0273 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, HARRY B BROCK JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90323c0274 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, HARRY B BROCK JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90323c0275 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, HARRY B BROCK JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 571,818.

-30- 367
#90323c0276 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, CHARLES W DANIEL, DIR. OF CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 131 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90323c0278 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, KENNETH T DERR, DIR. OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 292
#90323c0279 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,200.

-30- 313
#90323c0280 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, EQUITY HOLDINGS, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FIBRES INC. (TICKER: CFIB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,334,592.

-30- 341
#90323c0281 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, B ANN LURIE, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FIBRES INC. (TICKER: CFIB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,334,592.

-30- 334
#90323c0282 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, SHELI Z ROSENBERG, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED FIBRES INC.

(TICKER: CFIB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,334,592.

-30- 332
#90323c0283 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ANTHONY J MEDAGLIA JR, SHAREHOLDER OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 324
#90323c0284 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, EDWARD L HUTTON, PRES. OF CHEMED CORP. (TICKER: CHE), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90323c0286 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WILLIAM J REILLY, OFFICER OF CHECKPOINT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHEK), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,926.

-30- 326
#90323c0287 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JERRY R BLEVINS, VP OF CUMBERLAND FEDERAL BANCORPORATION INC. (TICKER: CMBK), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,607.

-30- 337
#90323c0288 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ROBERT C PEARSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CUMBERLAND FEDERAL BANCORPORATION INC. (TICKER: CMBK), BOUGHT 180 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 329

#90323c0289 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ROBERT C PEARSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CUMBERLAND FEDERAL BANCORPORATION INC. (TICKER: CMBK), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,947.

-30- 368
#90323c0290 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, P NORRIS SHOCKLEY JR, VP OF CUMBERLAND FEDERAL BANCORPORATION INC. (TICKER: CMBK), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,399.

-30- 345
#90323c0291 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, CATHY S ZION, VP OF CUMBERLAND FEDERAL BANCORPORATION INC. (TICKER: CMBK), BOUGHT 325 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,391.

-30- 332
#90323c0292 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, GEORGE R TOD, PRES. OF CML GROUP INC. (TICKER: CML), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,600.

-30- 297
#90323c0294 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JAMES H CRIVITS, CHAIRMAN OF CONSUL RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: CNSL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 89,200.

-30- 332
#90323c0295 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, VERNON F TAYLOR III, DIR. OF COCA MINES INC. (TICKER:

COCA), BOUGHT 6,200 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90323c0296 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, VERNON F TAYLOR III, DIR. OF COCA MINES INC. (TICKER: COCA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 132,984.

-30- 315
#90323c0297 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 23, 1989, JOHN M BELK, DIR. OF CHAPARRAL STEEL CO. (TICKER: CSM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 307
#90323c0298 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, CHARLES F DOLAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CABLEVISION SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: CVC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90323c0299 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, CHARLES F DOLAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CABLEVISION SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: CVC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90323c0300 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, CHARLES F DOLAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CABLEVISION SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: CVC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 344
#90323c0302 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JOSEPH A BOYD, DIR. OF DBA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DBAS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 319
#90323c0303 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PAUL S BACHOW, DIR. OF DEB SHOPS INC. (TICKER: DEBS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 301
#90323c0304 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, J DAVID HANN, DIR. OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP. (TICKER: DGSD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 309
#90323c0305 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 352 SHARES AT $18.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90323c0306 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 352 SHARES AT $19.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90323c0307 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 352 SHARES AT $19.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 270

#90323c0308 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 352 SHARES AT $19.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90323c0310 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 352 SHARES AT $19.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90323c0311 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 352 SHARES AT $19.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90323c0312 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 352 SHARES AT $19.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90323c0313 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 352 SHARES AT $20.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90323c0314 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JANE B COOK, BEN. OWNER OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 365 SHARES AT $20.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,804,352.

-30- 312

#90323c0315 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 137 SHARES AT $18.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90323c0316 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 137 SHARES AT $19.29 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90323c0318 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 137 SHARES AT $19.22 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90323c0319 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 137 SHARES AT $19.04 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90323c0320 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 137 SHARES AT $19.12 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90323c0321 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 137 SHARES AT $19.32 PER SHARE.

-30- 263

#90323c0322 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 137 SHARES AT $19.90 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90323c0323 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 137 SHARES AT $20.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90323c0324 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MARTHA S ROBES, DIR. OF DOW JONES & CO. (TICKER: DJ), SOLD 128 SHARES AT $20.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,809,260.

-30- 304
#90323c0326 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 03, 1990, HOWELL W PARDUE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DAWSON GEOPHYSICAL CO. (TICKER: DWSN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,000.

-30- 346
#90323c0327 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, CHARLES S GREER, PRES. OF ECHLIN INC. (TICKER: ECH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 292
#90323c0328 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, TRAVIS G HICKMAN, VP OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: ELMG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,510.

-30- 333
#90323c0329 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, LOUIS J CONTI, DIR. OF EMERSON ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: EMR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $34.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 308
#90323c0330 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, LOUIS J CONTI, DIR. OF ESCO ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: ESE), BOUGHT 975 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 310
#90323c0331 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ROBERT S KENNEDY, VP OF ESSEX CORP. (TICKER: ESEX), BOUGHT 399 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,134.

-30- 290
#90323c0332 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOSEPH R KURRY JR, VP OF ESSEX CORP. (TICKER: ESEX), BOUGHT 199 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,227.

-30- 289
#90323c0334 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, LEONARD E MOODISPAW, VP OF ESSEX CORP. (TICKER: ESEX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,424.

-30- 295
#90323c0335 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CLIFTON R WHARTON JR, DIR. OF FORD MOTOR CO. (DEL) (TICKER: F), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 316
#90323c0336 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ELIZABETH A DALTON, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP. OF OHIO (TICKER: FBOH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 948.

-30- 336
#90323c0337 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, GARY J ELEK, VP OF FIRST BANCORP. OF OHIO (TICKER: FBOH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,241.

-30- 312
#90323c0338 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, STEPHEN E MYERS, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP. OF OHIO (TICKER: FBOH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,655.

-30- 320
#90323c0339 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, TERRY E PATTON, VP OF FIRST BANCORP. OF OHIO (TICKER: FBOH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,053.

-30- 317
#90323c0340 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, PAUL D SHANAFELT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP. OF OHIO (TICKER: FBOH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90323c0342 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90323c0343 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90323c0344 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90323c0345 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90323c0346 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 129,675.

-30- 331
#90323c0347 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WILLIAM P FULLER, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCE CORP. (TICKER: FCOM), SOLD 320 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,253.

-30- 315
#90323c0348 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GONYER GEORGE H BROOKS, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST CONSTITUTION FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCON), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 364
#90323c0350 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, LAWTON G SARGENT JR, DIR. OF FIRST CONSTITUTION FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCON), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,145.

-30- 345
#90323c0351 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ROBERT G HARRIS, OFFICER OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 332
#90323c0352 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WILLIAM R BROWN, VP OF FIRST FEDERAL FINL CORP.(KY) (TICKER: FFKY), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90323c0353 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WILLIAM R BROWN, VP OF FIRST FEDERAL FINL CORP.(KY) (TICKER: FFKY), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90323c0354 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, WILLIAM R BROWN, VP OF FIRST FEDERAL FINL CORP.(KY)

(TICKER: FFKY), SOLD 2,600 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90323c0355 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, STANLEY M CHERNAU, SHAREHOLDER OF FIDELITY BANCSHARES INC. (TN) (TICKER: FFTN), SOLD 3,850 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90323c0356 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, STANLEY M CHERNAU, SHAREHOLDER OF FIDELITY BANCSHARES INC. (TN) (TICKER: FFTN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180.

-30- 349
#90323c0358 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PATRICK C MCNERNEY, VP OF FIRST INTERSTATE OF IOWA INC. (TICKER: FIIA), BOUGHT 624 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,964.

-30- 332
#90323c0359 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ROBERT B DALE, VP OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,459.

-30- 306
#90323c0360 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ROBERT B DALE, VP OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,200.

-30- 314
#90323c0361 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ROBERT E DELLINGER, VP OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,631.

-30- 318
#90323c0362 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM C CLARK, BEN. OWNER OF FLAGLER BANK CORP. (TICKER: FLGL), SOLD 7,719 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,493.

-30- 323
#90323c0363 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM C CLARK, BEN. OWNER OF FLAGLER BANK CORP. (TICKER: FLGL), SOLD 163 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90323c0364 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM C CLARK, BEN. OWNER OF FLAGLER BANK CORP. (TICKER: FLGL), SOLD 1,918 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,610.

-30- 324
#90323c0366 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM C CLARK, BEN. OWNER OF FLAGLER BANK CORP. (TICKER: FLGL), SOLD 403 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90323c0367 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM C CLARK, BEN. OWNER OF FLAGLER BANK CORP. (TICKER: FLGL), SOLD 1,967 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90323c0368 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM C CLARK, BEN. OWNER OF FLAGLER BANK CORP. (TICKER: FLGL), SOLD 1,352 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,054.

-30- 324
#90323c0369 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, STEPHEN A STREAM, VP OF FIRST MICHIGAN BANK CORP. (TICKER: FMBC), BOUGHT 523 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90323c0370 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, R BENJAMIN WILEY, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 978.

-30- 334
#90323c0371 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, HERSHEL M RICH, DIR. OF FRIEDMAN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FRD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,500.

-30- 310
#90323c0372 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, PATRIC R GREER, OFFICER OF FRONTIER ADJUSTERS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FRON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,470.

-30- 350
#90323c0374 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, GARNET ROCKE, BEN. OWNER OF FRONTIER ADJUSTERS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FRON), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90323c0375 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, WILLIAM J ROCKE, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FRONTIER ADJUSTERS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FRON), BOUGHT 567 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 353,414.

-30- 393
#90323c0376 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, LIONEL D ALFORD, DIR. OF FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FRTH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90323c0377 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, LIONEL D ALFORD, DIR. OF FOURTH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FRTH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,426.

-30- 317
#90323c0378 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $23.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90323c0379 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291

#90323c0380 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $23.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90323c0382 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90323c0383 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90323c0384 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $24.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90323c0385 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90323c0386 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,153,982.

-30- 328
#90323c0387 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, J ROBERT HESS, DIR. OF FULTON FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FULT), BOUGHT 114 SHARES AT $13.99 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,098.

-30- 313
#90323c0388 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, CLYDE W HORST, DIR. OF FULTON FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FULT), BOUGHT 705 SHARES AT $13.99 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,055.

-30- 315
#90323c0390 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLIAM C STUMPHAUZER, DIR. OF FLEXWATT CORP. (TICKER: FWAT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90323c0391 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, WILLIAM C STUMPHAUZER, DIR. OF FLEXWATT CORP. (TICKER: FWAT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $2.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90323c0392 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WILLIAM C STUMPHAUZER, DIR. OF FLEXWATT CORP. (TICKER: FWAT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,550.

-30- 315
#90323c0393 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MARY MONNET, OFFICER OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC.

(TICKER: GDC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90323c0394 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,600.

-30- 306
#90323c0395 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, THOMAS L EASLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90323c0396 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, THOMAS L EASLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,700.

-30- 333
#90323c0398 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JAMES C GORMAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE GORMAN-RUPP CO. (TICKER: GRC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 459,218.

-30- 322
#90323c0399 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, STEVEN G MITCHEM, CHAIRMAN OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 341
#90323c0400 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, ROBERT M KENNEDY, OFFICER OF HALLIBURTON CO. (TICKER: HAL), SOLD 697 SHARES AT $53.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90323c0401 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOHN R MALONE, VP OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250.

-30- 319
#90323c0402 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, NORWOOD H DAVIS JR, DIR. OF HOME NUTRITIONAL SVCS INC. (TICKER: HNSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 332
#90323c0403 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, KELLY PATRICIA A DEE, OFFICER OF HOME NUTRITIONAL SVCS INC. (TICKER: HNSI), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 339
#90323c0404 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, JERRO M OTSUKI, OFFICER OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 327
#90323c0406 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, CARL R BEIDLEMAN, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: INBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 21,569.

-30- 341
#90323c0407 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOHN D HARDING, PRES. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP INC. (PA) (TICKER: INBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,505.

-30- 334
#90323c0408 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ULYSSES G AUGER, DIR. OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), BOUGHT 510 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 842,649.

-30- 313
#90323c0409 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, DAVID W ZALAZNICK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,480.

-30- 366
#90323c0410 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, EUGENE D BRODY, DIR. OF QUEST FOR VALUE DUAL PURPOSE FUND INC. (TICKER: KFV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,500.

-30- 354
#90323c0411 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, TRACY SCOTT, OFFICER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), SOLD 834 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 255

#90323c0412 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ALLAN E PERRY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KNAPE & VOGT MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: KNAP), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 868.

-30- 367
#90323c0414 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1989, PAUL I DETWILER JR, DIR. OF KEYSTONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: KSTN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90323c0415 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ROGER R HEMMINGHAUS, DIR. OF LUBY'S CAFETERIAS INC. (TICKER: LUB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90323c0416 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ROGER R HEMMINGHAUS, DIR. OF LUBY'S CAFETERIAS INC. (TICKER: LUB), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 326
#90323c0417 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HAROLD W KIEKE, OFFICER OF LUBY'S CAFETERIAS INC. (TICKER: LUB), BOUGHT 470 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,761.

-30- 323
#90323c0418 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, A MALCOLM MCKAY, OFFICER OF LUBY'S CAFETERIAS INC. (TICKER: LUB), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

39,857.

-30- 321
#90323c0419 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, BOHUMIL R RAKOSNIK, DIR. OF MAF BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MAFB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90323c0420 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JACK M GREENBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90323c0422 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, JONATHAN R BOND, VP OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. (TICKER: MEDC), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $35.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90323c0423 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JONATHAN R BOND, VP OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. (TICKER: MEDC), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $37.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,669.

-30- 315
#90323c0424 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, GARY W DIETZ, VP OF METROPOLITAN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: MFC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90323c0425 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ANNA M NICKNADAVICH, VP OF MARYLAND FEDERAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MFSL), SOLD 194 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 352.

-30- 332
#90323c0426 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ALFRED E CLEVELAND, DIR. OF MID-SOUTH INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: MIDS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589.

-30- 324
#90323c0427 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, FRED A ERB, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90323c0428 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, FRED A ERB, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,175.

-30- 313
#90323c0430 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 04, 1990, ROBERT J MERCIER, DIR. OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90323c0431 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, ROBERT J MERCIER, DIR. OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275

#90323c0432 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, ROBERT J MERCIER, DIR. OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,500.

-30- 313
#90323c0433 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOSEPH H JONES, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,648.

-30- 316
#90323c0434 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, DAVID E SPARKS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 339
#90323c0435 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90323c0436 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90323c0438 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ARTHUR B KRAMER, DIR. OF NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NBR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 298,792.

-30- 303
#90323c0439 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, KATHARINE L AUCHINCLOSS, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 348
#90323c0440 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, HENRY P BECTON, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 139 SHARES AT $12.77 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,367.

-30- 327
#90323c0441 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, EMIL SOLIMINE, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 832 SHARES AT $12.77 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 312,609.

-30- 328
#90323c0442 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JOEL VUYLSTEKE, AFFILIATED PERSON OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CMNTY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NCCB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,200.

-30- 381
#90323c0443 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, DONALD A STILES, OFFICER OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 312
#90323c0444 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JAMES D PARRISH, OFFICER OF QUANEX CORP. (TICKER: NX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,726.

-30- 304
#90323c0446 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, RICHARD E LEONARD, CHAIRMAN OF NEW MEXICO & ARIZONA LAND CO. (TICKER: NZ), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 340
#90323c0447 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, PAUL E PRICE, VP OF THE QUAKER OATS CO. (TICKER: OAT), SOLD 5,254 SHARES AT $47.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90323c0448 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, PAUL E PRICE, VP OF THE QUAKER OATS CO. (TICKER: OAT), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $48.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,610.

-30- 301
#90323c0449 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 11, 1990, FRED HOLLINGSWORTH IV, OFFICER OF OMNI FILMS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OFII), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,000.

-30- 344
#90323c0450 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 16, 1990, FRED HOLLINGSWORTH IV, OFFICER OF OMNI FILMS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OFII), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,000.

-30- 344
#90323c0451 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, WILLIAM B MASTERS, OFFICER OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC. (TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90323c0452 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM B MASTERS, OFFICER OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC. (TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90323c0454 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, FRANKLIN C WADE, CHAIRMAN OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC. (TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,292,571.

-30- 329
#90323c0455 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90323c0456 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,400.

-30- 325
#90323c0457 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, JACK P CHAMBERS, PRES. OF PREMIER BANKSHARES CORP.

(TICKER: PBKC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,845.

-30- 330
#90323c0458 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, JOHN W GILLESPIE, DIR. OF PREMIER BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: PBKC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90323c0459 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, STANLEY A RATZLAFF, VP OF PACIFIC ENTERPRISES (TICKER: PET), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 307
#90323c0460 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, CHARLES F WEISS, VP OF PACIFIC ENTERPRISES (TICKER: PET), SOLD 522 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 301
#90323c0462 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, RICHARD D SEGAL, DIR. OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90323c0463 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, RICHARD D SEGAL, DIR. OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 314
#90323c0464 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, RICHARD D SEGAL, DIR. OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90323c0465 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, RICHARD D SEGAL, DIR. OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,300.

-30- 316
#90323c0466 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ANTHONY G TEGNELIA, VP OF RYDER SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: R), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,649.

-30- 307
#90323c0467 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1987, WILLIAM O BOURKE, CHAIRMAN OF REYNOLDS METALS CO. (TICKER: RLM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $52.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 321
#90323c0468 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 01, 1988, WILLIAM O BOURKE, CHAIRMAN OF REYNOLDS METALS CO. (TICKER: RLM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 321
#90323c0470 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LAWRENCE J SCHORR, PRES. OF RESOURCE RECYCLING TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: RRT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90323c0471 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, LAWRENCE J SCHORR, PRES. OF RESOURCE RECYCLING TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: RRT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90323c0472 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, LAWRENCE J SCHORR, PRES. OF RESOURCE RECYCLING TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: RRT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90323c0473 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, LAWRENCE J SCHORR, PRES. OF RESOURCE RECYCLING TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: RRT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,984.

-30- 347
#90323c0474 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, PHIL K LIVINGSTON, DIR. OF SANDERSON FARMS INC. (TICKER: SAFM), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90323c0475 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PHIL K LIVINGSTON, DIR. OF SANDERSON FARMS INC. (TICKER: SAFM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 315
#90323c0476 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 06, 1990, CHARLES R SCOTT, DIR. OF SUNBELT NURSERY GROUP INC. (TICKER: SBN), BOUGHT 736 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90323c0478 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WENDELL EARL PHILLIPS II, OFFICER OF SOUTHDOWN INC. (TICKER: SDW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 318
#90323c0479 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GREGORY F TAYLOR, OFFICER OF STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,485.

-30- 321
#90323c0480 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, BARRY J LAUFMAN, VP OF SPEAR FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SFNS), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $3.01 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90323c0481 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, BARRY J LAUFMAN, VP OF SPEAR FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SFNS), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,571.

-30- 319
#90323c0482 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CHARLES M SPEAR, CHAIRMAN OF SPEAR FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SFNS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 583,200.

-30- 335
#90323c0483 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, GEORGE M SULLIVAN, DIR. OF SEAGULL ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: SGO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $29.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 311
#90323c0484 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, PAUL W LOWDEN, CHAIRMAN OF SAHARA RESORTS (TICKER: SHRE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90323c0486 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, PAUL W LOWDEN, CHAIRMAN OF SAHARA RESORTS (TICKER: SHRE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $19.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90323c0487 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PAUL W LOWDEN, CHAIRMAN OF SAHARA RESORTS (TICKER: SHRE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,505,400.

-30- 316
#90323c0488 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ROBERT B VENICK, DIV. OFFICER OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $33.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600.

-30- 331
#90323c0489 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, BENNIE M LAUGHTER, OFFICER OF SHAW INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SHX), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 650.

-30- 310
#90323c0490 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, FS SIGNAL ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90323c0491 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, FS SIGNAL ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 7,800 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90323c0492 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, FS SIGNAL ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90323c0494 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, FS SIGNAL ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90323c0495 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, FS SIGNAL ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90323c0496 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, FS SIGNAL ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90323c0497 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, FS SIGNAL ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90323c0498 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, FS SIGNAL ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90323c0499 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, FS SIGNAL ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 38,400 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 429,300.

-30- 344
#90323c0500 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 06, 1990, ROBERT K MARIANI, PRES. OF SELFIX INC. (TICKER: SLFX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 301
#90323c0502 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 06, 1990, JEFFREY C RUBENSTEIN, DIR. OF SELFIX INC. (TICKER: SLFX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,980.

-30- 310
#90323c0503 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ROBERT B BANK, DIR. OF STATE-O-MAINE INC. (TICKER:

SOME), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 309
#90323c0504 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, WILLIAM C HULSEY, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,843.

-30- 311
#90323c0505 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, CHARLES W DENNY III, VP OF SQUARE D CO. (TICKER: SQD), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $44.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,748.

-30- 295
#90323c0506 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JOSEPH A DEERKOSKI, DIR. OF SUFFOLK BANCORP. (TICKER: SUBK), BOUGHT 424 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90323c0507 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, THOMAS J KLITGAARD, VP OF TANDEM COMPUTERS INC. (TICKER: TDM), SOLD 750 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,016.

-30- 313
#90323c0508 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ROBERT F TOMCZAK, AFFILIATED PERSON OF TECO ENERGY INC. (TICKER: TE), SOLD 1,450 SHARES AT $29.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,877.

-30- 335
#90323c0510 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, PATRICIA H ELLISON, CHAIRMAN OF TIS MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: TIS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,500.

-30- 344
#90323c0511 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MICHAEL E TENNENBAUM, DIR. OF TOSCO CORP. (TICKER: TOS), SOLD 1,900 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90323c0512 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MICHAEL E TENNENBAUM, DIR. OF TOSCO CORP. (TICKER: TOS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90323c0513 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MICHAEL E TENNENBAUM, DIR. OF TOSCO CORP. (TICKER: TOS), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90323c0514 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MICHAEL E TENNENBAUM, DIR. OF TOSCO CORP. (TICKER: TOS), SOLD 2,400 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90323c0515 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MICHAEL E TENNENBAUM, DIR. OF TOSCO CORP. (TICKER: TOS), SOLD 3,600 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 268

#90323c0516 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MICHAEL E TENNENBAUM, DIR. OF TOSCO CORP. (TICKER: TOS), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90323c0518 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MICHAEL E TENNENBAUM, DIR. OF TOSCO CORP. (TICKER: TOS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 401,549.

-30- 305
#90323c0519 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, ANTHONY S BROWN, DIR. OF TRENWICK GROUP INC. (TICKER: TREN), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 311
#90323c0520 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, FREDERICK M FINK, OFFICER OF TRUSTCO BANK CORP. (TICKER: TRST), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,335.

-30- 317
#90323c0521 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, H LYNN PAGE, DIR. OF TOTAL SYSTEM SERVICES INC. (TICKER: TSS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $34.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,700.

-30- 307
#90323c0522 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WILLIAM W GEORGE, DIR. OF THE TORO CO. (TICKER: TTC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,208.

-30- 297
#90323c0523 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WILLIAM SCOTT HEDRICK, DIR. OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA), SOLD 8,517 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,929.

-30- 330
#90323c0524 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, BARBARA J SCHEFFLER, OFFICER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 330
#90323c0526 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, BARRY KNEPPER, OFFICER OF UNITEL VIDEO INC. (TICKER: UNV), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,900.

-30- 311
#90323c0527 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 06, 1988, LEONARD J BRUCE, CHAIRMAN OF VALLEN CORP. (TICKER: VALN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 902,472.

-30- 309
#90323c0528 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, WILLIAM P MADAR, DIR. OF VAN DORN CO. (TICKER: VDC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 292
#90323c0529 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, MAXINE K CLARK, VP OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 299
#90323c0530 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, STEPHAN A MORSE, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,207.

-30- 326
#90323c0531 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, STEPHAN A MORSE, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 905.

-30- 326
#90323c0532 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MARK W RICHARDS, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,735.

-30- 334
#90323c0534 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WALTER SOBON, VP OF VWR CORP. (TICKER: VWRX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 243
#90323c0535 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WALTER SOBON, VP OF VWR CORP. (TICKER: VWRX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 276
#90323c0536 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JEROME B KARLIN, VP OF WALGREEN CO. (TICKER: WAG), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $43.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,881.

-30- 292
#90323c0537 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, NOAH T HERNDON, DIR. OF WATTS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WATT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $29.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 305
#90323c0538 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, B REGNAR PAULSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF WELLS FARGO & CO. (TICKER: WFC), BOUGHT 425 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,600.

-30- 325
#90323c0539 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOE E GRAVES, DIV. OFFICER OF WITCO CORP. (TICKER: WIT), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 648.

-30- 302
#90323c0540 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90323c0542 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90323c0543 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $43.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90323c0544 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90323c0545 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $42.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90323c0546 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,666 SHARES AT $41.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90323c0547 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $41.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90323c0548 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90323c0550 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90323c0551 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $39.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90323c0552 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 3,516 SHARES AT $38.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90323c0553 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GEORGE W WILSON, DIR. OF THE WASHINGTON POST CO. (TICKER: WPO), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $169.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 314
#90323c0554 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, BERNARD V VONDERCSHMITT, PRES. OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

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#90323c0555 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, BERNARD V VONDERCSHMITT, PRES. OF XILINX INC. (TICKER:

XLNX), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

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#90323c0556 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, BERNARD V VONDERCSHMITT, PRES. OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX), SOLD 2,565 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 692,000.

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#90323c0558 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

SEIDMAN JACKSON FISHER & CO. OWNS 1,307,999 SHARES (26.90%) OF ZENTEC CORP. (TICKER: ZENT) OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 9, 1990, SJF acquired beneficial ownership of 21,960 shares of series B preferred stock of Zentec and 18,000 shares of series C preferred stock of Zentec pursuant to the preferred stock purchase and exchange agreement, dated as of Sept. 10, 1990, among Zentec and certain investors thereunder. Pursuant to the purchase agreement, on Nov. 9, 1990, Seidman Jackson Fisher & Co. purchased 3,960 shares of series B preferred stock at a cost per share of $.50. Also, pursuant to the purchase agreement, SJF exchanged 36,000 shares of series A preferred stock which had been purchased on Dec. 17, 1986 at a cost per share of underlying common stock of $4.50, for 18,000 shares of series C preferred stock, which are convertible into shares of common stock based on a conversion price of $2.25 per share of underlying common stock. On June 29, 1988, Seidman acquired beneficial ownership of the warrant pursuant to the 1987 Zentec Director Warrant Plan. To date, the warrant may be exercised to purchase 10,000 shares of common stock at a price per share of $.10.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90323c0559 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.J. GREENE & CO. OWNS 2,358,700 SHARES (10.50%) OF SHARED MEDICAL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: SMED) OF MALVERN, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Because Greene believes that the shares are significantly undervalued in the current market, it has decided to explore actively various alternatives that might enhance the value of the share. Greene believes that the most appropriate means to enhance the value of the shares is for the Corporation to engage in a merger or a sale of assets, or to be acquired through a tender offer. Accordingly, Greene intends to discuss with investment bankers and others the possibility of their development of a proposal for such a transaction.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 17 through Nov. 6, 1990, D.J. Greene & Co. purchased 28,600 shares at a price of $14 to $16.25 per share and sold 5 shares at a price of $15.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90323c0560 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY TIGER OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 783,000 SHARES (6.12%) OF ADVO SYSTEM INC (TICKER: ADVO) OF WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 26 through Nov. 9, 1990, Tiger purchased 138,000 shares at a price of $8.75 to $10.25 per share; also, Tiger acquired 32,900 shares pursuant to a distribution to the common fund in connection with their withdrawal from Tiger and sold such shares on Oct. 1, 1990 at a price of $9.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90323c0561 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY BAUPOST LP 1983 A-1 OF CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 98,513 SHARES (9.70%) OF TRANS LUX CORP (TICKER: TLX) OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 6 through Nov. 7, 1990, Baupost LP 1983 A-1, Et Al. acquired 18,406 shares at a price of $4.25 to $4.30 per share.

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#90323c0562 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 65

GROUP LED BY NAV CORP. OWNS 2,010,684 SHARES (31.40%) OF CYPRESS FUND INC. (TICKER: WJR).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 17, 1990 through Nov. 16, 1990, Nav Corp., Et Al. sold 64,200 shares at a price of $5.38 to $8.75 per share.

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#90323c0563 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY SANDLER ASSOCIATES OWNS 117,000 SHARES (1.44%) OF JONES INTERCABLE INC. (TICKER: JOIN) OF ENGLEWOOD, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The number of shares outstanding has increased by 1 million.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From May 7, 1986 through Jan. 27, 1990, purchased 117,000 shares at a price of $10.76 to $15.48 per share, and on Nov. 14, 1990 Sandler Associates, Et Al. sold 150,000 for an undisclosed amount of proceeds.

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#90323c0564 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

A.I. MENDOLIA OWNS 301,600 SHARES (6.66%) OF CAMBREX CORP (TICKER: CBAM) OF BAYONNE, NEW JERSEY.

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#90323c0566 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 20

GROUP LED BY J. KATZ OWNS 180,455 SHARES (7.80%) OF MEDALIST INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MDIN) OF MEQUON, WISCONSIN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J. Katz, Et Al. sold 61,284 shares from Jan. 17 to Nov. 12, 1990 for $8.91 to $10.25 per share.

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#90323c0567 11/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

DAIDO STEEL CO. LTD. OF NAGOYA, JAPAN OWNS 8,677,961 SHARES (38.20%) OF CSC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CPSL) OF WARREN, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 7, 1990, Daido and CSC executed a subscription agreement providing for the purchase of 5,840,000 shares by Daido for $7.3 million at some date before March 31, 1991.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90323c0569 11/19/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY G.B. LIDDY OWNS 141,000 SHARES (6.60%) OF MILLER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MLND) OF MIAMI, FLORIDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

G.B Liddy, Et Al. purchased 118,000 shares from Oct. 10 to Nov. 6, 1990 for $.40 to $.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90323d0010 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 19) - The European Economic Community (EEC) on Monday called on the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) to set up a mechanism to defuse outbursts of ethnic violence on the continent.

Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, speaking on behalf of the 12-nation EEC, said in his address to the CSCE summit that the problem of ethnic minorities continued to be a "genuine factor for instability" in Europe.

The next CSCE meeting in Malta on January 15 next year which will be devoted to "the peaceful resolution of conflicts, should provide a suitable context in which to study the minorities problem, Mr. Andreotti said.

The Italian premier said the EEC backed a French proposal for setting up a panel of experts and well-known personalities to act as arbitrators in the case of conflicts stemming from the minorities problem.

He also said it was necessary to develop within the context of the CSCE "close inter-European relations" notably with the countries of east and central Europe.

Italy currently holds the six-month rotating chairmanship of the EEC and thus acts as its spokesman on occasions such as the CSCE summit.

-30- 1334

#90323d0020 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Warsaw (NOV. 19) - Poland, in the midst of efforts to convert from a socialist to a market economy, expects 1991 to be another difficult year, Deputy Finance Minister Wlodzimierz Misiag said here Monday.

He said complications above all stemmed from the effects of the Gulf crisis, the restructuring of trade based on market prices in the Comecon region, as well as debt repayment obligations.

Following this year's drastic decline in industrial production, output next year should rise by about 4 percent, Misiag said.

The annual inflation rate in December 1991 will be 30 percent, a major improvement from the 240 percent rate expected at the end of this year, he said.

Misiag said that Warsaw next year would again relax restrictions on investments which had been put into effect this year as part of the effort to stabilise the economy.

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#90323d0110 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUXEMBOURG (NOV. 19) - Unemployment in the European Economic Community (EEC) was unchanged at 8.3 percent in September for the sixth consecutive month, Eurostat, the EEC's statistical service, said here Monday.

This seasonally-corrected rate continues the falling trend of unemployment since 1985, when the average rate for the year reached a seven-year high of 10.8 percent. Last year, it was 8.9 percent.

By contrast, Eurofed said, unemployment in the United States had risen from 5.2 percent in June to 5.7 percent in September.

Over the last three months, unemployment dropped by 0.2 percent in West Germany, Portugal and Spain, but rose by a similar amount in Belgium, Denmark and Britain.

The percentage unemployment for EEC states in September, with the average for 1989 in brackets, were: Belgium 8.2 (8.5), Denmark 8.3 (7.7), West Germany 5.0 (5.5), Spain 15.5 (17.0), France 9.0 (9.4), Ireland 16.5 (17.0), Italy 9.9 (10.7), Luxembourg 1.5 (1.8), Portugal 4.9 (5.0), Britain 6.4 (7.0).

The average for the EEC in September (excluding Greece and the Netherlands where figures were not available) was 8.3 (8.9).

-30- 1319

#90323d0120 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (NOV. l9) - The Mozambican government and the rebel movement RENAMO have agreed on a timetable for the rest of their peace talks, the Italian foreign ministry said on Monday.

It reported ''progress'' in discussions on various aspects of security, and said the parley was continuing ''in a constructive spirit and in a joint search for positive solutions to obtain peace rapidly''.

Both sides asked Italy to mediate when the talks resumed here on November 10. It had previously been an observer. Other mediators are the Sant' Egidio community, which is active in the third world and took the initiative in getting the belligerents to meet directly for the first time in July, and the Catholic archbishop of Beira, Mozambique second city.

The ministry said the next full session was set for this Thursday.

RENAMO (Mozambique National Resistance) began fighting the then Marxist government in Maputo 15 years ago.

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#90323d0170 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EINDHOVEN, Netherlands (NOV. 19) - The Philips electronics giant announced Monday that it expected losses of four billion guilders (2.35 billion dollars) in 1990.

The company said in a statement released at its headquarters here that it was adding 1.8 billion guilders to 2.7 billion guilders already set aside for an ambitious restructuration plan.

It said the new amount would come from the 1990 results.

Philips announced its plan in July. Company president Jan Timmer said this would lead to the loss of between 35,000 and 45,000 jobs around the world - around 15 percent of the company's total staff.

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#90323d0290 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENNA (NOV 19) - The Hungarian parliament on Sunday found a solution to the problem of ownership of farmland which was nationalized or put into cooperatives under the country's former Communist regime, the Hungarian news agency monitored in Austria reported Monday.

The agreement, adopted by five political parties and rejected by the opposition Young Democrats, would allow former land-owners or their legitimate heirs to get "compensation bonds" for their lost land.

The bonds would allow them to acquire shares in privatised industries or to buy land which belongs to state-owned agri-industries or cooperatives. But only 50 percent of cooperative land could be sold under the scheme.

Compensation would be based on land-ownership in 1945 when the Communists took power.

The agreement should solve a crisis in the government conservative coalition. The small land-owners' party wanted land to be returned to former owners or their heirs irrespective of their current place of residence or their intention to work the land themselves.

Other parties were opposed to the idea on grounds that there was no guarantee the land would be worked.

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#90323d0430 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (NOV. 19) - The Greek government on Monday refused to give political asylum to some 2,000 Christian Bulgarians, a government spokesman said.

Byron Polydoras said "it is not possible for Bulgarians to ask for politcal asylum. Bulgaria is a country under a liberal regime so there can be no pretext for asking for asylum and we cannot allow Bulgarians to enter Greece illegally."

On Sunday, the Greek government stepped up border surveillance to stop a large influx of Christian Bulgarians into Greece.

On Saturday the Bulgarians demonstrated in Kirtzali, south-east Bulgaria, to protest a recently adopted law giving privileges to Bulgaria's Moslem minority of Turkish ethnic origin. They then gathered near the Greek border to seek refuge in Greece.

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#90323d0500 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANGATTE, FRANCE (NOV. 19) - About 20 men were hurt on Monday when a train collided with another pulling trucks on the French side of the Channel Tunnel, police said.

Six of the injured were taken to hospital in a serious condition in the nearby Channel port of Calais and the rest were treated on the spot.

The reason for the accident a few hundred meters (yards) from the Sangatte entrance to the French end of the tunnel was not immediately known.

Eight workers were injured, two seriously, on October 30 when a train derailed in a service gallery on the French side, about 11 kilometers (6.8 miles) from the entrance.

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#90323d0580 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Nairobi (NOV. 19) - Fighting between government troops and rebels in eastern Chad along the Sudanese border has left 1,700 soldiers dead during the last few days, the rebels said according to radio reports Monday.

Rebels of the Patriotic Salvation Front, headed by former Chadian army commander-in-chief Idriss Deby, said they had captured 1,000 soldiers and either destroyed or seized 350 armoured vehicles and artillery pieces.

A chadian military communique said the town of Adre near the Sudanese border, 800 kilometres east of the capital N'Djamena, was attacked Monday by rebels and fierce fighting ensued. It did not say whether casualtiues occured.

Fighting began after the Chad rebels clashed with regular troops in Tina, north of Adre, on November 10. Clashes spread to other villages and into neighbouring Sudan.

This prompted France, which has been backing Chadian President Hissene Habre, to last week send 150 more soldiers to join its 500-man garrison in the town of Abeche, 180 kilometres west of Adre. Paris has said its troops would not interfere in the fighting.

-30- 1266
#90323d0600 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ACCRA (NOV. 19) - Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu, a prominent member of South Africa's anti-apartheid movement, is to arrive here on a four-day working visit Wednesday, an official statement said here Monday.

Archbishop Tutu, a Nobel laureate, is expected to meet government leaders and address a public meeting during his visit.

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#90323d0620 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAHORE, Pakistan (NOV. 19) - At least 14 people were injured, two of them seriously, when a bomb exploded in a tea shop near the city bus terminal here Monday, police said.

The explosion was caused by a plastic device concealed in an unattended bag, police said, calling it an act of sabotage.

Several of the wounded were passengers who came to the stall for a cup of tea. One of them, Siraj Din, said there was a "big bang" and he was hit by splinters of bottles blown off by the blast.

The owner of the shop and his eight-year-old daughter were in critical condition at a local hospital, police said.

-30- 771

#90323d0640 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV. 19) - Germany will decide "in the next few days" to send nearly half a billion dollars' worth of food to the Soviet Union, comprising the huge stockpiles designed to foil a new Soviet blockade of West Berlin, officials said Monday.

"The plan now has the support of the ministries of finance and foreign affairs " a West Berlin government official, Juergen Dittberner, told Agence France-Presse. "What remains to be done is discussing delivery details with the Soviet authorities."

A finance ministry spokesman in Bonn agreed that a "positive decision" was in the pipeline. If the green light is given, the aid "will be free, and the transport of the food to the Soviet Union will be paid by the German government," he said.

West Berlin mayor Walter Momper, a Social Democrat, suggested the idea on November 9, on the day when Berlin celebrated the fall of the Wall and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev arrived in Bonn to sign a non-aggression treaty.

The stocks were initiated after the U.S. Air Force and the Royal Air Force launched the 10-month 1948-1949 Berlin airlift to feed West Berlin, after the Soviet Union severed all land routes to the sector.

Regularly replenished, the stocks are now no longer needed. They comprise 123,000 tons of cereal, 33,000 tons of canned vegetables, 30,000 tons of sugar 2,415 sacks of dried peas, 12,000 tons of powdered milk, 10,000 tons of butter, 4,400 tons of frozen meat, 5,000 tons of potatoes, 11 million tins of sardines and nine million tins of tuna.

They are valued by city officials at around 700 million Deutsche marks (466 million dollars). The West German government used to pay the cost of maintaining and updating the reserve, of around 100 million marks (66 million dollars) per year.

Food shortages are already critical in the Soviet Union. Many fear there could be a famine this winter because of the collapse of the command economy, the breakup of the delivery system and the erection of internal trade barriers by food-producing Soviet republics.

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#90323d0650 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (NOV 19) - Hungarian efforts to organize a summit with Romania have failed, a Hungarian government official said Monday.

President Arpad Goncz's special envoy, Imre Szokay, said in an interview published by the Hungarian daily Nepszabadsag that the mid-December summit date proposed by Hungary "was not acceptable" to Romanian President Ion Iliescu who had "not proposed any other date".

Mr. Iliescu also rejected other Hungarian proposals, notably the creation of a committee to solve the question of the Hungarian ethnic minority in Romania and the opening of a Hungarian consulate in Cluj, north-west Romania, Mr. Szokay said.

Mr. Szokay said he thought Mr. Iliescu's attitude was dictated by his nation's domestic problems.

The two million Hungarians in Romania, who claim their rights are being violated, have long been a subject of acrimony between the two Central European nations.

-30- 1107

#90323d0810 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV 19) - North Sea Brent oil for January delivery recovered earlier falls Monday on news that Iraq was mobilising another 250,000 troops.

In early dealings Brent had fallen to 28.10 dollars a barrel from its Friday close of 29.05 dollars.

But the news from Baghdad sent the price back up to 28.75, although still below Friday's close. Paul Spedding, an analyst with brokers Kleinwort Benson, said war fears were behind the change of sentiment.

Earlier analysts saw Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's offer to begin freeing remaining hostages starting at Christmas as a hopeful sign and one said "we have now entered a stalemate rather than a situation of imminent war."

Richard Jones of County Natwest brokers said that the price had also been driven down by reports that Saudi Arabia could produce up to 8.6 million barrels of crude a day by the end of November compared with the 7.8 million barrels a day estimated in October.

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#90323d0980 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (NOV 19) - Liberia's bloody 11-month civil war has escalated with air raids by Nigerian planes of a West African intervention force against the rebel-held port of Buchanan and shelling Sunday by rebels of the Monrovia port.

According to the British Broadcasting Corporation, it was the first time in a month that the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) shelled the Monrovia port where the five-nation intervention force, known as ECOMOG, is based.

A journalist for the BBC in Monrovia said the rebels had used ground-to-air missiles fired from a truck. Two children were killed and three adult civilians wounded in the attack, the correspondent said.

Observers here said Monday that it appeared to have been the first time that the rebels led by former government official Charles Taylor have used missiles since launching their bid to overthrow the government of the late president Samuel Doe last December 24 in northeast Liberia.

Last month ECOMOG forced Mr. Taylor's NPFL guerillas out of Monrovia and created a 20-kilometer (12-mile) buffer zone around the capital separating the rebels and government troops and keeping the rebels out of artillery range.

The rebel attack follows air raids Wednesday and Friday by Nigerian Alpha jets against the iron ore port of Buchanan some 144 kilometers (90 miles) east of Monrovia which is in undesputed control by the NPFL.

About 40,000 Liberians are taking refuge at the port which is also being used to bring in international relief aid for thousands of people displaced behind rebel lines.

Western diplomats in neighboring Sierra Leone said Monday that last week's air raids resulted in a heavy civilian death toll comprising mainly women and children and "massive destruction" near the port.

ECOMOG military officials at the weekend insisted that the NPFL was using the port to bring in arms, notably from Libya, and declared Buchanan a "war zone."

Informed sources said here that two ships that were in the port during the attack left immediately for neighboring Ivory Coast. One of the ships, which was carrying rice and other unspecified supplies, was strafed in the attack, the sources said.

-30- 2407

#90323d1120 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV 19) - Several thousand workers at the former East German opticals firm, Jenoptik Carl Zeiss Jena GmbH, went on strike Monday to demand job guarantees, ADN news agency reported.

Responding to a call by the IG Metall trade union, the protestors marched through the streets of Jena to demonstrate against a management decision last month to axe two-thirds of the 30,000-person payroll, it said.

The threatened job cuts are among the first in an expected series of major factory closures in the former German Democratic Republic.

Jenoptik Carl Zeiss Jena was heavily subsidised by the government to provide consumer goods such as camera lenses and binoculars, and carry out military research in such areas as lasers.

-30- 923

#90323d1140 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV 19) - The number and gravity of human rights' violations in Iran require continued monitoring of the situation there by the United Nations, a U.N. observer said in a report published here Monday.

The human rights commission this week is to debate the report by its special observer, Reynaldo Galindo Pohl of El Salvador.

Galindo Pohl, who was in Iran from October 9 to 15, reported numerous cases of arbitrary and cruel executions, torture and other violations of regular legal proceedings.

One case cited was that a 23-year-old man, in the town of Hamadan, who was reported sentenced on various charges to 124 strokes of a whip, amputation of one hand and finally death by hanging.

-30- 894

#90323d1220 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (NOV 19) - Finland was ready to consider a U.N. Security Council resolution which would authorize the use of force to make Iraq withdraw from occupied Kuwait, the foreign ministry said Monday.

But the statement said that Finland stressed the need to reach a peaceful settlement to the Gulf crisis.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker asked Finnish Foreign Minister Pertti Paasio at a meeting in Paris on Sunday for Finnish support for a United Nations' resolution to use military force against Iraq if it did not withdraw from Kuwait.

After the meeting Mr. Paasio said he had told Mr. Baker that Finland would give its answer later.

He said Finland wanted the Security Council to send a clear message to Iraq that the only way to settle the crisis peacefully was for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait and restore the emirate's sovereignty.

"With this in mind, Finland is ready to consider a resolution in the Security Council which would authorize the use of every means necessary to achieve the goals set by the Security Council", the statement said.

Meanwhile, an unofficial Finnish delegation, which would include former foreign minister Paavo Vaeyrynen, was planning a trip to Iraq to negotiate the release of the remaining nine Finnish hostages.

The Finnish goverment earlier turned down all requests to send an official delegation to Iraq on grounds it would be against Finland's international obligations.

Five Finnish hostages were released last month after a trip by an unofficial delegation made up of members of parliament and the Arab Peoples' Friendship Society in Finland.

Finland, currently a member of the U.N. Security Council, has strongly condemed the Iraqi invasion to Kuwait, and Finnish President Mauno Koivisto has declared that Finland could not give in to blackmail.

-30- 2047

#90323d1310 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANTO DOMINGO (NOV 19) - The Dominican Republic came to a standstill Monday as thousands of workers began a five-day general strike to press demands for an end to economic austerity and the resignation of President Joaquin Balaguer.

Hundreds of people were arrested late Sunday and early Monday as troops took positions on street corners, bridges, supermarkets, banks and gasoline stations to prevent disturbances during the strike.

The Red Cross set up special emergency units around the city to deal with any unrest, as two previous general strikes in this country ended in street clashes that left 20 people dead and scores more injured.

An umbrella group of grassroots organizations urged workers to stay off the job from Monday through Friday to press for the resignation of Mr. Balaguer, a blind, ailing 84-year-old who began his sixth presidential term in August.

Other groups have called for a shorter, three-day strike to press for changes in the government's stringent economic policies.

Labor Minister Washington de Pena Sunday said officially recognized unions that took part in the strike would lose their legal status.

Mr. Balaguer's government has launched an economic austerity program in an effort to reduce the country's four-billion-dollar foreign debt. Violent protests erupted when the plan was implemented earlier this year.

In an effort to ease popular discontent, Mr. Balaguer Thursday proposed cutting his four-year term to two years and holding snap elections May 16, 1992.

Opposition parties said they were studying the proposal, but the group sponsoring the five-day strike rejected it outright.

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#90323d1430 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DOHA (NOV 19) - Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Belonogov Monday urged Iraq to withdraw its troops from Kuwait without conditions as he started an official visit here that will focus on the Gulf crisis.

"Iraq is called upon to comply with the resolutions of the United Nations Security Council demanding the unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops and the re-establishment of the legitimate authorities," Mr. Belonogov said.

He made the remark on his arrival here from Damascus at the end of a 48-hour unscheduled visit during which he had talks with Syrian President Hafez al-Assad for talks on the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Belonogov was expected to discuss with the Qatari officials ways of securing a peaceful end to Iraq's three-month-old occupation of Kuwait.

He undertook similar talks with officials in Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Yemen and was also expected to visit the United Arab Emirates as part of his regional tour.

Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria lead the anti-Iraq coalition of Arab states that have called for an unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Another Soviet deputy foreign minister, Vladimir Petrovski, has been touring North Africa to monitor the latest Arab position on the Gulf, following a call from Moroccan King Hassan II for an emergency Arab summit.

-30- 1511

#90323d1450 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (NOV. 19) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,329.50 (1,334.00) 1,322.50 (1,322.50)
Lead 351.50 (367.00) 357.50 (369.75)
Zinc Sh 1,289.00 (1,292.50) 1,273.50 (1,274.00)

Tin 6,200.00 (6,200.00) 6,202.50 (6,197.50)
Aluminium 1,572.50 (1,585.50) 1,609.00 (1,618.00)
Nickel 8,500.00 (8,837.50) 8,262.50 (8,512.50)

(the last three in dollars per ton)

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#90323d1510 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) - The State Department expressed concern Monday over Iraq's announcement that it was sending more than 250,000 troops to Kuwait.

Department spokesman Richard Boucher said the build-up did not jibe with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's earlier protestations that he was intent on preserving peace.

''Exactly what its military implications might be, or what the eventual troop levels might be, is not clear,'' Boucher said. ''(But) this is not the moves of a guy who claims to be interested in peace, Of someone that claims that he's preparing to talk.

The Iraqi announcement, issued through the official news agency Ina, came shortly after Baghdad disclosed a plan to begin a phased release of all foreign hostages on Christmas day as long as nothing occurred to mar the climate of peace.

The United States also announced Monday that it was calling up 22,000 reservists, 12,000 from the Army National Guard and 10,000 from the Marine Corps, for duty in the Gulf.

-30- 1201

#90323d1540 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 19) - Six miners were killed in two separate rockfalls caused by seismic tremors at two South African gold mines since Saturday, mine spokesmen said here Monday.

At the world's deepest gold mine, Western Deep Levels near Carletonville south west of here, three miners died on Monday in a rockfall some 3,500 meters (yards) underground, mine owners Anglo American said in a statement here.

The tremor measured 1.67 on the open-ended Richter scale and late Monday night the search for six missing miners were continuing, Anglo said.

On Saturday three miners died at the Buffelsfontein gold mine near Klerksdorp, 160 kilometers (100 miles) southwest of here, after a earth tremor which registered 3.2 on the Richter scale triggered a rockfall, mine owners Genmin said Monday.

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#90323d1610 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MEXICO CITY (NOV 19) - Demonstrators charging election fraud took over six city halls, set fire to another and blocked several roads in the states of Mexico and Hidalgo in a weekend of protests over local elections, authorities said.

Seven people were injured and dozens of others were arrested early Monday when military police intervenened to disperse about 200 protesters surrounding the electoral office in Tepeji del Rio in Mexico state, authorities said.

Other protesters blocked several roads, isolating some 30 towns in the two states, authorities said.

The authorities said the activists set fire to the Tizayuca City Hall, northeast of here, and seized six other city halls.

Opposition parties are planning street demonstrations in Mexico City Tuesday to press demands that the results of November 11 elections be annulled because of alleged fraud by the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI).

Official results announced early Monday had the PRI, which has ruled Mexico for more than 60 years, winning 33 of 57 seats in the Mexico state assembly in the elections.

According to the returns, the ruling party also won 116 of the 121 mayoralties in the country's richest and most populous state of Mexico, which surrounds Mexico City.

Ten people were injured -- five from gunfire -- in the town of Chiconcuac, north of Mexico City, in a clash Thursday between supporters of the leftist opposition Democratic Revolution Party (PRD) and PRI officials.

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#90323d1660 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV 19) - South African police Monday discovered the bodies of 19 men killed in communal fighting in the black township of Zonkwezizwe near Johannesburg.

In the township of Zwide, near the eastern coastal city of Port Elizabeth, two white policemen and an unidentified black man were gunned down earlier in the day.

The latest deaths brought to well over 3,000 the number of people killed in political violence since the start of this year.

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#90323d1790 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
STRASBOURG, France (NOV 19) - South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu said Monday he regretted that the international community had not protested against South Africa in the way it has done against Iraq.

"Would sanctions have been applied against South Africa with the same enthusiasm than against Iraq, the monstrosity that is apartheid would have been dismantled much, much earlier and with far fewer casualties," he told reporters.

Msgr. Tutu said British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher "has discovered that sanctions work" against Iraq although she has always claimed they were counter-productive in South Africa.

The archbishop and 1984 Nobel Peace Prize winner was speaking after asking members of the European Parliament to ensure that the European Community maintain its sanctions against South Africa until the "irreversible" dismantlement of apartheid.

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#90323d1820 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV 19) - Iraqi occupation forces in Kuwait have captured two more Americans, bringing to 102 the number of Americans in the custody of Iraqi authorities, the State Department said Monday.

The two men, who were captured by soldiers late Friday, are awaiting transport to the Mansour Melia hotel in Baghdad, said spokesman Richard Boucher.

Iraqi authorities have refused comment on the report and still will not release some 60 Americans suffering ill health, Mr. Boucher said.

He said international law obligated Iraq to allow the International Red Cross to inspect the health of foreigners held in Iraq and Kuwait, but Baghdad has refused.

Mr. Boucher said 88 of the 130 foreigners evacuated from Kuwait and Baghdad Sunday had left London Monday and arrived in Washington aboard a U.S.-chartered Boeing 747. Some 2,250 Americans have been evacuated since the crisis erupted August 2 when Iraq invaded Kuwait.

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#90323d1830 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GENEVA (NOV 19) - The United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR)

said Monday it was seeking an agreement with the Thai government on Burmese students who have sought refuge in Thailand.

A UNHCR spokesman, Raymond Hall, said some 1,500 Burmese students and Buddhist priests had arrived in the Thai capital Bangkok since 1988. The UNHCR said between 800 to 1,000 of them were political refugees.

But Mr. Hill said Thailand had not signed the 1951 U.N. convention on refugees and had classified the Burmese as illegal immigrants.

He said that talks began in August on a Thai proposal to group the Burmese outside Bangkok in a security zone where they would receive aid but would be virtual prisoners. The UNHCR wants access to the security zone to ensure the Burmese are properly treated and protected.

A Thai paper, The Nation, recently reported that the government had threatened to expel eight UNHCR delegates on suspicion that they were helping Burmese students perpetrate political action against the military regime in Burma.

Mr. Hall, who refused to comment on the report, said the Thai government had "legitimate" reasons to maintain good economic and political relations with neighbouring Burma.

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#90323d1850 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELEM, Brazil (NOV 19) - Brazil's government should discourage continued growth in the population of the ecologically-endangered Amazon region, a World Bank official said Monday.

Robert Goodland, an official with the World Bank's environment department, told reporters here that the Amazon region already was overpopulated and its ecosystem could not support a large population in the long run.

Mr. Goodland, who formerly headed the bank's environmental office for Latin America and the Caribbean, criticized some of the projects that the World Bank had financed in Brazil and said agrarian reform was "indispensable" for Brazil.

Drastic measures are necessary to prevent severe environmental abuses, Mr. Goodland said. He recommended heavy taxes on mercury to force gold prospectors to respect the need for clean water and land.

At present, gold hunters use mercury to separate gold dust from sand taken from streams and rivers of the Amazon basin.

Mr. Goodland said five tons of toxic mercury already had accumulated at the bottom of the Xingu, Tapajos and Madeira rivers in the Amazon.

The World Bank official also urged Brazil to adopt a more aggressive environmental foreign policy and to demand reciprocity from developed countries.

He suggested that Brazil link a reduction in the area of forest burned to clear land in its territory to decreases in carbon emissions of industrialized countries. He also proposed that Brazil should trade part of its foreign debt for ecological protection schemes, known as debt-for-nature swaps.

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#90323d1940 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (NOV 19) - Peace talks between the two conflicting parties in Angola had made some progress amid difficulties, the Portuguese mediator in the dispute said Monday.

Durao Barroso, Portugal's secretary of state for foreign affairs and main architect of the direct talks between the Angolan government and the UNITA rebels gave no other details.

However, Jonas Savimbi, UNITA leader, said Monday he intended to make the talks a success and thought a ceasefire could be introduced by January.

Most of the problems centre on the ruling MPLA's insistence on forming a national Angolan army. "How can we talk about forming a single army without first ending the war?" said UNITA spokesman Norberto de Castro in Lisbon.

Mr. de Castro added that UNITA "had confidence in Portuguese mediation to resolve the difficultires created by the MPLA."

Meanwhile, the Angolan news agency ANGOP repoted that the Angolan army last Saturday killed four UNITA rebels.

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#90323d2000 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 19) - A man set himself on fire Monday outside the U.S. Capitol and died as bystanders watched, officials said.

Police officier Dan Nichols said the man's motives were not immediately known.

"He stood for quite a while," said a tourist who witnessed the incident. "A lot of people were watching. ... He laid down and was reaching out of the fire," said the woman, who declined to be identified.

The man, who Mr. Nichols said used "some kind of accelerant" to feed the flames, was pronounced dead at the scene, a fire department spokesman said.

There was little activity around the building because Congress is not in session.

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#90323d2020 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (NOV 19) - Exiled Kuwaiti ruler Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah on Monday urged world leaders meeting at the Paris Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe to seek an end Iraq's occupation of his country.

"I call on you to examine during your debates the means for undertaking action to end the occupation and the aggression of Iraq against Kuwait and the Kuwaiti people," said Sheikh Jaber in a message.

He also exhorted the international community to "halt immediately and firmly" Iraq's actions which he said "undermine peace and security in the world," the official Saudi Press Agency SPA reported.

Sheikh Jaber, who has been in exile in the kingdom since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, said Baghdad was "defying international will and rejecting U.N. Security Council resolutions" calling for an end to the emirate's occupation.

The Gulf crisis has dominated talks in Paris, where leaders of 34 nations from Europe and North America have been meeting since Monday.

The U.S., which spearheads a multinational troop deployment in the Gulf region and Saudi Arabia since August, has been canvassing support for a U.N. resolution authorising the use of force to drive the Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

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#90323d2090 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 19) - The government of French Premier Michel Rocard narrowly survived a vote of no confidence here late Monday, unofficial sources said.

The censure motion mustered only 284 votes, short of the absolute majority of 289 required to topple him, the sources said.

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#90323d2160 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 19) - The United States and the Soviet Union agree that military force cannot be ruled out to get Iraq out of Kuwait but the U.S. government has not yet decided to seek a U.N. resolution to back such a move, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said.

"We have not reached a point of decision," Fitzwater said following a meeting

between U.S. President George Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev here late Monday.

"Neither side has made a decision to seek a resolution," he said. "We have a conceptual agreement that force cannot be ruled out."

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#90323d2510 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RABAT (NOV. 20) - Morocco's King Hassan has repeated his call for an Arab summit but said it need not initially involve all 21 states. Those who suffered from the conflict most directly should meet as a first stage, he suggested.

In a speech to a Libyan congress delegation Monday, broadcast on Moroccan television, King Hassan said this was a time which was ''one of the darkest in the history of the Arab nation''.

He said Arab nations faced two scandals: ''The first is the seizure of a thing by force and conquest ... the second which is much more bitter and terrible is that at every moment we are at the gate of indescribable events and ... a situation in which the Moslem and Arab dies by the bullets of Arab and Moslem.''

Hassan said for the first time in history, Arabs and the whole world were united on a single issue. There was no difference between resolutions passed by the Arab League and those of the United Nations.

''If this is so then why do the Arabs not meet? If they do not want to take as a basis for their meeting the Cairo resolutions, why do they not take the resolutions of the U.N.?'' he said.

He said an Arab summit was ''imperative'' but it was not necessary for all 21 states to meet at once.

''Perhaps if the number is great in the first instance, or the participation, matters may become more complex.'' he said.

''But let the opponents and those who suffered from the conflict who are nearest geographically and materially meet as a first stage, and see if God brought forth something good.

''Then we expand on it, and then we meet as an Arab League and as an Arab nation and as an Arab summit.''

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#90323d2630 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RABAT (NOV 20) - Morocco's King Hassan II on Monday called for a limited Arab

summit on the Gulf crisis, involving only the "adversaries" and those directly affected by the conflict.

The king, whose appeal was carried by the Moroccan news agency MAP, said it was not necessary for all 21 nations of the Arab League to convene to discuss the crisis.

Hassan II last week called for an emergency Arab summit as a "last chance" to avert war in the Gulf. But his appeal foundered on Saudi and Iraqi resistance.

The Moroccan sovereign did not name the countries he hoped could attend a limited Arab summit, appealing only to "the adversaries and those affected by the conflict" who were both "materially and geographically close to the Gulf" to consider such a meeting.

He said that if the parties directly implicated in the conflict succeeded in reaching preliminary agreement, "it will then be possible for us to convene a summit of the Arab League ...to seal the act of peace."

Only Yemen, Sudan and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) responded favorably to the king's November 11 call for an emergency Arab summit.

Saudi Arabia dismissed the idea as a waste of time unless Baghdad agreed in advance to comply with resolutions of the United Nations Security Council and the Arab League calling for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

Iraq indicated last week that it would refuse to attend an Arab summit unless Arab leaders cancelled resolutions which they had adopted at a summit in Cairo on August 10. The Cairo summit condemned the Iraqi invasion, demanded Iraq's withdrawal and voted to send a pan-Arab force to defend Saudi Arabia from the threat of Iraqi aggression.

King Hassan II's second call for an Arab summit came on the same day Iraq announced it was reinforcing Kuwait and southern Iraq with another 250,000 troops.

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#90323d2680 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEGUCIGALPA, (NOV. 19) - Nearly 20,000 former Nicaragian rebels and their families have refused to leave Honduras to return to their homeland because of protests there, the National Commission for Refugees said Monday.

The head of the commission, retired colonel Abraham Garcia, said that just 50 percent of the former rebels, known as contras, had returned to Nicaragua, but the rest did not want to go.

Former contras have blocked roads in Nicargua over the past two weeks,

demanding the government deliver on promises of land and agricultural inputs promised when they disarmed earlier this year.

The last road block was taken down Saturday night, but the upheaval was seriously embarrassing to Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro.

Former rebels here said that hundreds of the fighters had returned to Honduras to escape what they said was harassment from the opposition Sandinista party in Nicaragua.

Formally known as the Nicaraguan Resistance, the contras fought the Sandinista government in Nicaragua through much of the 1980's. The war ended only after Mrs. Chamorro became president.

The panel said it had documented 37,119 former contras and their families who had been repatriated since July 5 under a program supervised by a United Nations commission.

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#90323d2710 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN JOSE (NOV. 19) - Costa Rican authorities nabbed seven fishermen who said they had found 700 kilos (1,540 pounds) of cocaine on the high seas and took part of it to sell.

The fishermen had salvaged just 107 kilos (235 pounds) of cocaine worth 2.5 million dollars from the stash when they were caught in the port of Puntarenas, 130 kilometers (80 miles) west of the capital, the officials said.

Authorities said they did not know who abandoned the drugs.

Costa Rica has become an important transshipment point for cocaine, most of which originates in South America and ends up in the United States.

In Bogota, Colombian authorities announced they had stopped two shipments of cocaine totalling 142 kilos (312 pounds) that were headed out of the country on Monday.

The Bello Mar was stopped at the port of Bunaventura with 60 kilos (132 pounds) and La Sagrada Familia was stopped on the high seas with 82 kilos (180 pounds) of the illegal stimulant, officials said.

Six crew members from each ship were arrested, they said.

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#90323d2930 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (NOV. 20) - Japan will give a 1.5 million dollar subsidy to a rice

development programme in Nigeria, the Japanese embassy said Monday.

The Japanese government has given a total 750 million yen (about 4.5 million dollars) to the programme over the past four years, the embassy said.

The Nigerian Ministry of Agriculture's programme aims to make the nation self-sufficient in rice. Japanese aid has been used largely to acquire farm equipment, fertiliser and vehicles.

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#90323d7420 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (NOV. 19) - Air New Zealand Monday lifted its offer for the shares it does not already hold in the domestic carrier Mount Cook Airlines, earning the approval of the board.

Mount Cook chairman Norman Geary said in a statement that ANZ had lifted its initial October 26 bid from three New Zealand dollars (1.83 dollars U.S) to 3.25 dollars (1.98 dollars) per share.

Mount Cook directors had posted a "don't sell" notice against the initial offer but Mr. Geary said Monday they were now recommending shareholders accept the revised offer, which amounts to 2.2 million dollars (1.3 million U.S.).

It said that in reaching a recommendation it had considered the fact that Air New Zealand already owned 80 percent of the company, the high risks in the New Zealand aviation industry, the need eventually to invest significant capital in the airline fleet and current uncertainties in accurately valuing assets.

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#90323d7450 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 19) - Japan's Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. is to hold top level talks with MCA Inc. in New York Monday to discuss its proposed takeover of the U.S. entertainment conglomerate, a Matsushita spokesman said.

The spokesman said that Matsushita would be represented at the talks by vice president Masahiko Hitara and senior managing director Keiya Toyonaga, who is in charge of international operations and legal issues.

Matsushita, the world's biggest consumer electronics firm, said the talks would focus on the pricing of the proposed takeover. Rumours that the Japanese company planned to offer 85 dollars a share, valuing MCA at 7.8 billion dollars, drove the American firm's stock up sharply last week.

The Japanese company, whose brand names include National and Panasonics, confirmed in late September that it was discussing a possible tie up with MCA. But a statement issued in October stressed that there could be "no assurance

that these contacts will lead to any merger or other business combination."

Matsushita's talks with MCA, whose cinema, television and music activities include Hollywood film studio Universal Pictures, follows last year's move by arch rival Sony Corp. to buy Columbia Pictures Entertainment Inc. The 3.6 billion dollar purchase was the biggest by a Japanese firm in the United States.

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#90323d7500 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 19) - Japan's Nissan Motor Co. Ltd. said Monday it had reached an agreement with General Motors Corp. under which the U.S. carmaker will supply it with around 10,000 engine blocks a month from April 1992.

The blocks will be produced by General Motors' central foundry division in Ohio and shipped to a Nissan plant in Yokohama for three-litre six-cylinder engines mainly used in pick-up trucks, the company said.

Nissan managing director for purchasing Teiji Suzuki said that General Motors had "fully satisfied" the Japanese company's quality standards and had offered "highly competitive and flexible" pricing and delivery arrangements.

Further details of the agreement were not disclosed.

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#90323d7530 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 19) - President Roh Tae-Woo said Monday that rising oil prices and surging foreign imports would hold down South Korea's economic growth and increase the current account deficit next year.

In his 1991 budget speech to the National Assembly, Mr. Roh said that the Gross National Product (GNP) growth rate would be around seven per cent next year, down from this year's projected rate of eight to nine per cent.

"We cannot say that next year's prospect for our economy is brighter than this year's," Mr. Roh said, pointing to the Gulf crisis and rising oil prices plus mounting foreign demands for market opening.

The 1991 current account deficit will be about the same as this year's or some two billion dollars, if exports sustained the recent upward trend next year, he said.

He called for moderation by wage earners in demanding wage hikes and frugality in life style to help keep inflation rate below 10 percent next year.

He also said the government would seek to secure the "longest possible" grace

period before opening the agricultural market under proposals being discussed in the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), and would help the domestic agriculture industry improve its competitiveness.

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#90323d7680 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 19) - Famine threatens some 64,000 people in western Tanzania, while cholera has killed 102 people in the south of the country in the past five months, Radio Tanzania reported Monday.

Mealy bugs have ravaged cassava crops in three districts near the western town of Mwanza, on the shores of Lake Victoria. Regional Director of Development Michael Mapunda said floods had destroyed other crops.

The government has promised to deliver 4,000 tonnes of grain to the area. But Mr. Mapunda warned that far more would be needed to avert a disaster in Ukerewe, Kwimba and Magu districts.

The radio said 102 people had died of cholera since June in the south-western region of Rukwa. "Isolated cases of cholera are still occurring," the official radio said.

Rukwa Regional Commissioner Christopher Mbogo warned people not to drink unboiled water and local beer brewed from maize. He urged people to go to government hospitals instead of consulting traditional medicine men.

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#90323d7780 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 19) - The French bank Indosuez said Monday it had increased the size of a new investment fund focussed on China in view of its success.

A spokesman said the Shanghai Fund, launched through the bank's Hong Kong subsidiary, had been increased from 20 million to 25 million U.S. dollars a week after its inception at the beginning of November.

The fund is being raised on several markets, including Hong Kong, Paris and London, with the aim of investing in "greater China," meaning the People's Republic, Taiwan and Hong Kong, the spokesman said.

Half the Shanghai Fund is to be invested in futures in China, when the opening of markets in Shanghai and Shenzhen allow it. The Shanghai bourse is to open officially on December 19.

Indosuez is one of several banks seeking to open branches in the eastern metropolis, which recently launched an ambitious project for a new technological and financial development centre known as Pudong.

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#90323d7860 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 19) - Japanese electronics firm Teac Corp. said Monday its net profit soared 86.8 percent from a year earlier to 1.9 billion yen (14 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, a leading manufacturer of audio-visual equipment and floppy-disc drives, said sales climbed 21.3 percent to 56.6 billion yen (410 million dollars) in the same period.

Sales of information equipment grew 34.4 percent to 41.8 billion yen (303 million dollars) but audio-visual sales fell five percent to 14.8 billion yen (107 million dollars), depressed by sharply lower sales of home-use equipment.

Net profit is forecast to reach 2.3 billion yen (17 million dollars) in the year to March on sales of 115 billion yen (833 million dollars).

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#90323d7880 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CANBERRA (NOV. 19) - Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke warned Monday that failure to rescue world farm trade negotiations would see the start of a slide into the economic and political dangers of renewed protectionism.

He said that if the Europeans did not shift their position on agriculture, the whole four-year Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), due to be completed in Brussels from December 3-7, would fail.

If this happened, opportunities would be lost to increase world growth, break the developing countries debt cycle, increase global food production and underpin the economic and political renewal in eastern Europe.

Failure would also see the start of a slide into the economic and political dangers of renewed protectionism.

Mr. Hawke said he had written to European leaders including German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, French Prime Minister Michel Rocard and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher urging them to use their political muscle to end the deadlock in the negotiations.

France and Germany are considered the hard-line opponents in the European Economic Community to the major cuts in agricultural protection which the United States and the Australian-led Cairns Group are demanding.

His latest move follows his phone call to United States President George Bush on the issue last week.

Mr. Hawke said that in his letters, he had expressed deep concern over the future of the negotiations because of the totally unsatisfactory European offer to cut agricultural subsidies by 30 percent.

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#90323d7910 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 19) - The number of companies suspended from deals with banks in Japan rose 18 percent from a year earlier to 551 in October, the Federation of Bankers Associations of Japan said Monday.

It was the first time in two years and four months that the number had shown a year-on-year increase, the federation said.

Debts of the 551 firms barred from bank deals due to financial reasons increased 48.6 percent from the year-before level to 95.3 billion yen (733 million dollars), the federation said.

Each company was capitalized at one million yen (7,700 dollars) or more.

Construction firms accounted for 21.1 percent of the total number in October, followed by 19.6 percent in retail business, 18.7 percent in the wholesale industry and 18.1 percent in manufacturing, the federation said.

The federation said that 22.6 percent of the total were suspended from bank transactions due to poor sales.

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#90323d7960 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Jeddah (NOV. 19) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev was reported Monday to be pondering the possibility of embarking on a Middle East tour at the end of December or in early January.

The Saudi newspaper Asharq al-Awsat said the aim of Gorbachev's trip would be to underline Moscow's concern with the region's problems, particularly the Gulf crisis following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

If the Soviet leader decided to make the tour, it would be his first to the Middle East since taking the helm at the Kremlin.

Quoting what it called ''informed sources'' for its report, the paper said Gorbachev would discuss with Middle East leaders the prospects of reaching a political solution to the Gulf crisis in accordance with the Arab League and United Nations Security Council resolutions which have been backed by the Soviet Union.

These resolutions, which Iraq has rejected, call for a complete and unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the restoration of the legitimate government there.

According to Asharq al-Awsat's report, Gorbachev had dispatched two envoys to Arab states to explain Moscow's stance on current initiatives, including a Moroccan call for an emergency Arab summit, to resolve the Gulf crisis.

While opposing the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait, the Soviet Union preferred that the United Nations economic blockade against Baghdad be given another chance, the paper said.

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#90323d8000 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Ludwigshafen (NOV. 19) - The Basf chemical company said Monday its world group pre-tax earnings for the first nine months of the year plunged to 2.34 billion marks (1.59 billion dollars), down 28 percent from 3.23 billion marks in the same period of 1989.

Basf cited the dollar's decline, coupled with sharply rising raw materials costs, for the downturn in earnings.

The parent company accounted for 1.66 billion marks of the pre-tax earnings, down almost 30 percent from 2.36 billion marks in the first three quarters of last year.

World group turnover came to 34.68 billion marks, down 3.8 percent from 35.85 billion marks in last year's corresponding period. The parent company accounted for 16.1 billion marks of the turnover, down 4.9 percent from 16.93 billion marks.

Basf said that despite the overall business downturn, there had been a ''pleasing'' rise in demand, led by Western Europe and above all in Germany itself. But business in the United States was suffering from the economic doldrums there.

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#90323d8140 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (NOV. 19) - CEP-Enterprise Oil, a Franco-British consortium, has found oil off the Mekong River delta in southern Vietnam, press reports said here Monday.

The borehole is 130 kilometers (80 miles) south of Vung Tau at a depth of 40 meters (132 feet) and is the first drilled by the company, the Nhan Dan daily reported.

CEP was formed by the French group Interagra and Britain's Enterprise Oil, which together signed a 25-year exploration and exploitation contract in April last year with Petrovietnam.

Officials of the state firm said the oil found by CEP was similar to that extracted from a deposit at Bach Ho a few kilometers (miles) away.

The Bach Ho deposit is tapped by a Soviet-Vietnamese joint venture and has begun yielding between 8,000 and 10,000 tonnes of crude a day.

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#90323d8160 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 19) - Despite an official embargo against South Africa, the country in October achieved record exports of 6.3 billion rand (2.5 billion dollars) on booming weapons sales to the Gulf, it was reported here Monday.

The economic daily Business Day said that ''booming arms sales in the wake of the Gulf crisis'' were responsible for the export growth. October's exports were 1.4 billion rand higher than in September.

The paper named Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates as the chief weapons buyers. It cited a spokesman of the state-owned Armscor weaponry firm as saying the demand for weapons from the Gulf had increased considerably since the crisis broke out.

Besides weapons sales, the South African export growth was attributed to gold and diamond sales. The Star newspaper said that in October the country had exported an unusually high volume of diamonds.

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#90323d8190 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 19) - Moscow city council intends to stage a 10-day opera festival in Red Square next June with guests appearances by the leading tenors Placido Domingo and Luciano Pavarotti, Tass news agency reported Monday.

The festival, to be organized by the Moscow council and the new Soviet Interteatr society, will also include four performances of Mussorgsky's Boris Godunov by the Leningrad opera and ballet and four performances of Mussorgsky's Khovanshchina by the Estonian opera and ballet.

The festival, which will take place on specially-built stages in the capital's Red Square under the Kremlin walls, will be directed by Soviet film producer Andrei Konchalovsky.

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#90323d8260 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 19) - U.S. President George Bush said here on Monday that he did not intend to make any statement on the British leadership challenge, but described his relationship with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher as "superb".

"I'm not going to say anything that would look like I'm trying to intervene into the proceedings over there," Mr. Bush said after breakfast meeting with Mrs. Thatcher.

"I will stay out of all of this, but we have a superb relationship with Mrs Thatcher. It is indeed a special relationship," he added.

Mrs. Thatcher is faced with the strongest challenge to her 15-year leadership of the Conservative Party in the shape of her former defense secretary Michael Heseltine.

A first round of voting among Conservative MPs takes place in London on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Thatcher said after the Bush meeting that she was confident of seeing off the challenge from Mr. Heseltine.

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#90323d8320 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 19) - French indstrial output fell a seasonally adjusted 1.1 percent in September compared with the previous month, the national statistical office INSEE said Monday.

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#90323d8420 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 19) - Elf Aquitaine has made a major oil discovery off the south-east coast of Nigeria, informed sources said here Monday.

An exploratory well yielded about 3,000 barrels a day, the sources said. Elf Aquitaine operates in Nigeria in association with the Nigerian NNPC company.

Officials at Elf's headquarters here refused to comment on the reported oil find.

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#90323d8510 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
London (NOV. 19) - Some of the 129 Western hostages released from Iraqi-occupied Kuwait told Monday of fears that they would starve while in captivity.

On board the Iraqi airliner chartered by the United States when it touched down in London in the early hours were 75 Americans, a dozen Britons together with several Germans, Danes, Irish, Polish, Australian, New Zealand, South African and Canadian citizens.

British soccer trainer Douglas Moore, who worked with the Kuwait national squad, said he survived in hiding for two months on a minimum of food. An American couple said they almost starved to death because people were too frightened to give them food.

The London Foreign Office described as a ''cynical ploy'' Iraq's offer to carry out a phased release of Western hostages starting Christmas Day, December 25. Baghdad said the release would go ahead provided that the ''atmosphere of peace'' was not disturbed.

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#90323d8540 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 19) - Total Oil Marine (TOM), British subsidiary of the French group Total, is to raise 450 million pounds in long term revolving credit to finance investments in Britain's North Sea oil sector, Total announced here Monday.

The operation will be handled by Banque Paribas, National Westminster Bank, Royal Bank of Canada and the Union de Banques Suisses.

The money will finance extensions and development of the oil and gas fields of Alwyn Nord, Caister gas field and Bruce oil field, and to installations at the Miller gas terminal in St. Fergus, Scotland.

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#90323d8550 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 19) - Britain's gross domestic product fell one percent in the third quarter of this year over the previous three months, the Central Statistical Office announced here Monday.

Analysts had been expecting a fall of around one percent after a rise of 0.5 percent recorded in the second quarter.

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#90323d8560 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Frankfurt (NOV. 19) - The German Futures Market (Dtb) will enter the field of financial futures transactions on November 23, the eventual goal being to compete equally with London in forward financing contracts, Dtb chairman Rolf Breuer said Monday.

''Eventually, London and Frankfurt will divide up the business 50-50,'' Breuer predicted.

He said the Dtb would offer financial futures contracts for both the German share index Dax, to be called ''Dax-Future'', and the interest rate index, to be called ''Bund-Future''.

Both instruments will be based on the Dax index and long-term federal bonds bearing interest rates of 8.5 to 10 per cent.

Institutional investors, especially savings banks and credit unions, were expected to be the main customers in the financial futures market, Breuer said.

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#90323d8590 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 19) - Troubled Japanese trading company Itoman and Co. Ltd. said Monday its net profit plunged 52.6 per cent from a year earlier to 1.5 billion yen (11 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, a diversified Osaka-based textile trader closely affiliated with Sumitomo Bank Ltd., said the sharper-than-expected earnings decline reflected increased provisions for bad debts and higher operating costs.

Earnings in the first half amounted to less than a third of Itoman's original forecast of 4.8 billion (35 million dollars). The company subsequently slashed its profit forecast for the full year from nine billion yen (65 million dollars) to 4.7 billion yen (34 million dollars).

The results came only days after Sumitomo chairman Sotoo Tatsumi announced that the bank, the world's third biggest, would appoint five officials including a director to Itoman to help restructure the heavily-indebted firm.

Itoman has reportedly suffered huge losses on speculative real estate transactions and is believed to have debts exceeding 1,300 billion yen (9.4 billion dollars).

During the six months, Itoman said more than doubled its provision for bad debts from 2.2 billion yen (16 million dollars) in the same period last year to 5.5 billion yen (40 million dollars).

Sales rose 17 per cent to 363 billion yen (2.6 billion dollars) during the period but failed to reach a target of 410 billion yen (three billion dollars).

Reduced revenue from textile trading activities was offset by sharp increases in revenue from machinery and metals, food and business development projects including sales of golf club memberships, the company said.

Itoman said sales for the full year were expected to reach only 700 billion yen (5.1 billion dollars), down from an earlier forecast of 800 billion yen (5.8 billion dollars).

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#90323d8600 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 19) - Ricoh Co., a major Japanese office automation equipment maker, said Monday it has agreed with Philips Co. of the Netherlands jointly to produce facsimile machines in Austria.

Joint production will start at a Philips plant in Austria in January at a monthly rate of 8,000 units, which will be sold in European countries, Ricoh officials said.

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#90323d8630 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 19) - Prudential Corporation, Britain's biggest life insurance company, has decided to sell off its loss making chain of 560 estate agencies which it set up three years ago when the housing boom was at its height.

Mick Newmarch, the company's chief executive, said "estate agency is not now seen by Prudential as a key activity in the longer term."

Last year Prudential Property Services lost 48.9 million pounds and Prudential said earlier this year it was closing its least profitable agencies.

The company's decision took the city by surprise. "They accumulated at the top of the market and are selling at the bottom," said David Hudson, an analyst with Barclays de Zoete Wedd (BZW).

Another analysts said "they might want to get 250,000 pounds a branch, which would put a value of 140 million pounds on the business, but whether they get it or not is another matter."

On the stock exchange Prudential shares added one penny to 207 pence in a market on the rise.

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#90323d8660 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 19) - Freight rates firmed over the past week on the dry cargo market supported by strong activity on the important U.S. Gulf to Japan grain route and by the reported sale of 1.4 million tonnes of French cereals to the USSR, brokers said.

The Baltic International Freight Futures Exchange (BIFFEX)'s Baltic Freight

Index finished the week up 18 points at 1,298.

Prospects were also improved by speculation that United States might grant new credits to the Soviet Union for further grain purchases.

On the physical market 52,000 ton vessels obtained 23 dollars per ton against 22.75 dollars the previous week for grain trips on the U.S. Gulf to Japan route.

This improvement provoked a lifting of nominal rates on the route to 23.642 dollars per ton against 22.625 dollars per ton at the end of the previous week.

Brokers also lifted rates to 12.133 dollars against 11.908 dollars per ton on the U.S. North Pacific to Japan grain route, after the fixture of a 52,000 ton vessel on the physical market, at 12.5 dollars per ton against 12.25 dollars.

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#90323d8690 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 20) - President Corazon Aquino said here Monday that she would not seek a moratorium on foreign debt servicing and would instead look for other ways to alleviate the Philippines' debt burden.

Asked at a press conference if she would now call for repudiation of part of the country's 27 billion dollar foreign debt, Mrs. Aquino said that the government had previously sought a suspension of interest payments in negotiations earlier this year.

"It was impressed upon us that this request could not be granted," Mrs. Aquino said, adding that Manila "would seek other means whereby we could be helped by the financial institutions."

She noted that an International Monetary Fund (IMF) team was in the country reviewing a proposed economic stabilization program, adding that she hoped the talks would "lead to an agreement so that we can have access to new loans and also to assistance from both the multilaterals and bilateral institutions."

A three-year program between the Philippines and the IMF was scrapped last month after the country failed to meet crucial economic targets, particularly on fiscal deficits.

The Philippine government, which is presently suffering from a foreign exchange shortage, has crafted a new program aimed at lowering the deficit by restructuring the domestic debt and offering government bonds to small savers.

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#90323d8830 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV. 19) - As Europe Monday sealed the end of its postwar division, a group of North and South Koreans met here to press for the reunification of their country, also cruelly split by the Cold War.

The two-day meeting marked the first time that citizens from North and South met with Korean residents abroad - but it immediately drew fire as an exercise in propaganda for the government in Pyongyang.

"We want to put pressure on the (Seoul) government," said Dr. Rim Min Sik, 49, secretary-general of an expatriates' association, as he sat down to the meeting.

"They are very afraid of the reunification issue. But it is not only the government's issue, it is the people's issue."

Unauthorised contacts between North and South are proscribed by the government in Seoul. A spokesman for the three-member South Korean delegation said the government had forbidden the meeting and threatened the three with immediate arrest on their return home.

Meeting in West Berlin's city hall, itself a symbol of German reunification, the three delegations formally shook hands and posed for photographs under a large white banner before getting down to business.

By the end of the talks, they hope to set up an organisation known as the Pan-National Alliance for the Reunification of Korea that, it says, will lobby for reunification and be independent of either Seoul or Pyongyang.

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#90323d8980 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (NOV. 19) - Air raids last week by Nigerian jets on the rebel-held Liberian iron ore port of Buchanan resulted in a large civilian death toll, mainly women and children, Western diplomats said here Monday.

The diplomats said the Nigerian pilots in a West African intervention force were "indiscriminate in their targets" and unleashed bombs which caused "massive destruction" near the port 90 miles (145 kilometres) east of the capital Monrovia.

Air raids were carried out Wednesday and Friday against the port which is a stronghold of Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) rebels who launched their bid to overthrow the government of the late president Samuel Doe last December in northeast Liberia.

Military officials of the five-nation intervention force, known as ECOMOG, said the targets under attack were military installations and ships carrying arms to the rebel forces.

Informed sources in Abidjan said two ships in the port during the attack left immediately for neighboring Ivory Coast. One of the ships, which was carrying rice and unidentified supplies, was reportedly strafed in the attack.

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#90323d9110 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 19) - The Japanese government Monday welcomed the treaty on conventional weapons signed in Paris by North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and Warsaw Pact members.

Japan "heartily welcomes" the Treaty on Conventional Arms Forces in Europe (CFE) signed at the summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE)," Foreign Ministry spokesman Taizo Watanabe said in a statement.

"Japan, as a member of the West, has been consistently supporting the efforts of the countries of NATO aimed at redressing the imbalance in conventional armed forces in Europe and stabilizing such forces at a lower level," he said.

"It is truly gratifying that these efforts have proved to be successful and the treaty has been signed," the statement said.

Mr. Watanabe added that the Japanese government hoped the treaty would be smoothly complied with and implemented, with a positive effect on the situation in Europe.

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#90323d9150 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Cairo (NOV. 19) - Egypt strongly rejected Monday a statement by Israeli Premier Itzhak Shamir that his government is still aiming for a ''Greater Israel'' extending from the Mediterranean to the River Jordan.

A statement issued by the spokesman of the Egyptian Foreign Ministry said the statement with its ''expansionist orientations'' did not contribute to a political solution of the Palestinian question.

Egypt called on Israel to abide strictly by the Geneva convention on the protection of civilians in occupied territories. It said the United Nations, particularly the Security Council, should take adequate measures to protect the Palestinian people.

On instructions from Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid, the foreign ministry summoned the Israeli Ambassador to Cairo, Ephraim Dowek, to give an explanation about Shamir's statements.

Shamir had told representatives of his right-wing conservative Likud Block

party Sunday that to achieve the territorial integrity of Israel within its biblical boundaries was a security measure ''vital to the country's existence and future.

He said ''Greater Israel'' included the West Bank and Gaza strip where Palestinians want to establish their own state. Israeli troops have occupied the territories since 1967.

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#90323d9190 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Baghdad (NOV. 19) - Iraq and Iran will resume exchanging prisoners of war on Wednesday in line with an agreement reached between the two countries during last week's visit to Baghdad by Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akhbar Velayati, the Iraqi News Agency (Ina) reported Monday.

Ina quoted an official spokesman at the Iraqi Foreign Ministry as saying that Iraq will release Wednesday 239 Iranian prisoners convicted of crimes during their captivity. They will be repatriated to Teheran by air, he said.

Ina said the pardon decision was taken by the Iraqi Revolutionary Command Council, the country's highest policy-making authority.

Under the agreement, Iran is expected to release 79 Iraqi prisoners who had been referred to courts or convicted of crimes.

The Iranian side has also promised to free 200 Iraqi prisoners every day starting Thursday, November 22, Ina quoted the spokesman as saying.

Velayati paid a two-day official visit to Baghdad last week during which he held talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

He said on his return to Teheran that the two sides had agreed to resume the Pow swap suspended in September, about a month after it began.

Iran and Iraq, who had fought a ferocious eight-year war that ended in August 1988, restored diplomatic ties last month following Saddam's acceptance of all Iranian conditions for a lasting peace.

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#90323d9250 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEL AVIV (NOV. 19) - Iraq will be able to build a nuclear bomb in three to five years, according to a report distributed Monday by Israel's Dayan Centre for Strategic Studies.

The report, compiled by noted researcher Danny Leshem, based the assessment on Iraq's having 12 kilograms of enriched uranian supplied by France.

Leshem estimates that though Iraq will be able to produce a nuclear device within three to five years, it will probably take them until the end of the decade to make a nuclear warhead.

The New York Times, citing Western intelligence sources, had said Sunday that Iraq would be able to produce its own nuclear arms arsenal within the next 10 years.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz called the allegation baseless, the Iraqi News Agency said Monday.

The Israeli report said Iraq was also well advanced in the development of deadly cluster-bomb warheads and the destructive air-petrol warhead that produces a nuclear-type blast.

According to Leshem, Iraq currently has between 10 and 30 chemical warheads for its Al Hussein and Al Abbas missiles modified from Soviet Scud missiles.

But though Iraq has deployed some 85 missile launchers since the start of the Gulf crisis, the limited size of the warheads its missiles can carry has accelerated development of far more lethal biological weapons.

Iraqi fears of an enemy strike on its missile sites would prompt the firing of the missiles in the initial stages of a conflict, Leshem predicted.

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#90323d9270 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Colombo (NOV. 19) - The Sri Lankan government clamped an indefinite curfew on three northern province districts with effect from midnight Monday as a prelude to an offensive against Tamil rebels in the area.

People were told to stay home in Kilinochchi, the coastal district of Mullaitivu and Jaffna, which is 400 kilometres from Colombo, according to a government statement.

Meanwhile, members of the separatist Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (Ltte) attacked an army bunker in the Kankesanthurai area of the Jaffna peninsula killing two soldiers and injuring four. In a counterattack, three Ltte men were killed.

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#90323d9310 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 19) - France has given its agreement in principle for a United Nations resolution authorising the use of force to get Iraq out of Kuwait, informed French sources said here Monday.

The French government, however, has said the wording of such a resolution needs careful consideration and should reflect the points of view of both sides.

The sources said that France was opposed to the idea of fixing an ultimatum or deadline for the use of force in any U.N. resolution.

The United States is currently canvassing support for a resolution authorising the use of force against Iraq to be put to the United Nations Security Council before December 1.

That is when Yemen, which has maintained close ties with Iraq, takes over the chairmanship of the 15-member Security Council, making it more difficult to pass a strong-worded resolution.

The United States has already been assured of British support for such a resolution and was confident of France falling in line, sources close to the U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said.

Mr. Baker is with the U.S. delegation here attending the summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

That would leave them needing to convince the other two permanent members of the Security Council -- China and the Soviet Union -- not to use their right of veto to scupper a resolution clearing the way for the use of force.

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#90323d9450 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Ismailia, Egypt (NOV. 19) - Fees for ships passing through the Suez Canal are to be raised six percent next year, the Suez Canal Authority (Sca) announced Monday.

Sca general manager Esat Adel said the rise from midnight on December 31 matched the expected rate of worldwide inflation. The authority expected income to increase only 5.5 percent because of a falloff in traffic caused by the Gulf Crisis.

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#90323d9650 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (NOV. 19) - The powerful Lebanese Christian militia was embroiled in last-minute negotiations here Monday over the pro-Syrian government's plan to end militia rule in the so-called Greater Beirut region.

The Lebanese Forces (LF) has accepted the plan, like all the other militias, but laid down conditions for its implementation, under which the regular

Lebanese Army was due to be deployed over the entire region by midnight.

The region covers an area of 350 square kilometres (140 square miles) in and around the capital, and the plan aims to reunite Beirut under government control after 15 years of bitter division into Christian and Moslem sectors.

Correspondents said the LF still maintained a military presence in the region early Monday, despite the plan's call for all militias to withdraw their arsenals and armed fighters.

The militia has called for guarantees over the army brigades to be deployed in the Ashrafiyeh sector of Christian east Beirut, a traditional LF stronghold, according to a source close to the militia.

The LF has voiced suspicions over certain brigades, which it claimed were hostile to the Christian militia and could take advantage of the evacuation of Ashrafiyeh to allow the infiltration of pro-Syrian groups.

It also said abuses had taken place in the Christian region of Metn, southeast of the capital, where a Syrian-led assault ousted Christian rebel General Michel Aoun on October 13, allowing the Beirut plan to take shape.

The source close to the LF said it was seeking assurances against similar abuses in Ashrafiyeh.

"If an accord is reached, we are ready to pull out within hours," an LF official said, declining to be named. "The difficulties, which are now only technical, are in the process of being ironed out."

The Moslem and Druze militias as well as other pro-Syrian groups have already said they had withdrawn their fighters.

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#90323d9680 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV. 19) - Washington has rejected Pakistan's latest assurances on its nuclear intentions, as even possessing the components of a device disqualifies Islamabad from receiving U.S. aid, Ambassador Robert Oakley said.

In a signed letter to the editor of Lahore's independent daily The Nation on Monday, Mr. Oakley said the prohibition of aid to Pakistan, which came into effect on October 1, could be revoked only by a congressional vote.

Washington suspended disbursement of some 600 million dollars in economic and military assistance for this fiscal year on the suspicion that Islamabad was developing atomic weapons.

Many Western experts believe that Pakistan has the capability to do so.

Top Pakistani officials have denied such reports, claiming that Islamabad's nuclear programme was geared to peaceful purposes aimed mainly at augmenting its massive energy shortfalls in industry.

President George Bush refused to accept such assurances and did not issue a certificate exempting Pakistan from the ban under U.S. legislation.

Pakistan has been capable of producing enriched uranium since as far back as 1983, but it routinely won the presidential waiver after Moscow intervened in Afghanistan in December 1979, despite a previous longstanding ban for similar reasons.

As a front-line state in the Afghan conflict and supporter of the U.S.-backed mujahedeen rebels, Islamabad enjoyed heightened friendship with Washington.

Mr. Oakley said in his letter to the Nation's editor, Arif Nizami, that the waiver during the years of the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan served the interest of the "truth behind this issue." He did not elaborate.

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#90323d9710 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIBREVILLE (NOV. 19) - Gabon's Prime Minister Casimir Oye Mba and his transitional government formed in April as the authorities began restoring multi-party politics after nearly 25 years of one-party rule resigned on Monday.

The new parliament elected amid accusations of fraud in September and October is to hold its first session on Tuesday, and President Omar Bongo, whose Democratic Party has 64 of the 120 seats, is expected to name a premier very soon to head a promised government of national union.

The remaining 56 seats are held by seven other parties. Three have jointly ruled out joining the new-style government, which Mr. Bongo said before the polls would be open to all political persuasions which agreed to take part.

The largest opposition group, with 19 seats, is a splinter movement of the Movement for National Renewal called MORENA-Bucheron, and its leader, Catholic cleric Paul Mba Abessole, has also urged staying out of the new government. But other party officials have in the past few days publicly called for participation by MORENA-Bucheron.

Political analysts said Mr. Bongo might well ask Mr. Oye Mba to be prime minister again.

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#90323d9730 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (NOV. 19) - Dissidents within the Romanian army called Monday for Defense Minister Victor Stanculescu to stand trial on charges of ordering troops to fire on demonstrators in the city of Timisoara last December.

The so-called Timisoara massacre marked the beginning of a popular uprising that toppled Nicolae Ceausescu's hardline regime.

In a statement published in the independent daily Romania Libera, the Action Committee for Democratisation of the Army called for ex-interior minister Mihai Chitac and disgraced army chief-of-staff Stefan Guse to be tried by the Timisoara military court along with General Stanculescu.

The National Salvation Front Council, which took power after Ceausescu's execution, sacked Gen. Guse on December 30.

Gen. Chitac was dismissed after bloody clashes between anti-government demonstrators and security forces between June 13 and 15, followed by brutal intervention by pro-government miners, left six people dead and 502 wounded.

The authorities officially disbanded the Democratisation Committee on June 14.

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#90323d9780 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 19) - The South African Government is studying a plan which aims to put half a million extra black farmers on about 25 percent of the country's arable farmland, a move which a leading rightwing farmer warned on Monday would lead to major conflict.

The plan, devised by the Southern African Development Bank (SADB), could to see the transfer of nearly eight-million hectares of farmland to blacks and also the take-over of about 1,000 white farms that are hopelessly indebted to the government for use by black small-scale farmers, according to local reports.

The country's apartheid policies have seen some 87 percent of the land owned by the country's white minority, while only 13 percent of the land has been distributed to blacks, under the control of the country's 10 tribal homelands, four of which are nominally-independent.

Agriculture Minister Jacob de Villiers said in a statement to Agence France-Presse he did not want "to comment prematurely" on reports that government was expected to react favourably to some aspects of the SADB plan.

Referring to land issues as "emotive", he said there was a wide-range of views on the land issue, all of which had to be discussed.

But Robert Van Tonder, leader of the ultra-rightwing Boere State Party (BP) warned, in an interview with AFP, that if blacks accepted any white farms, white farmers would simply "take them back".

He urged the government to write-off farmers' debts, estimated between one and two billion rand (3.8 and 7.6-million dollars) and for blacks to continue to be farm labourers, claiming their lack of farming expertise would "turn the country into a desert".

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#90323d9930 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (NOV. 19) - Nigeria's drug squad has started to screen the visa applications of Nigerians wishing to travel to India, it was announced here Monday.

The screening, which began two weeks ago, followed the Indian government's consent to a Nigerian request to look into the case of every Nigerian applying for an Indian visa, a National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) source said. The NDLEA was established this year to fight hard drug trafficking and abuse.

Most countries from the ''golden triangle'' opium-producing area - Burma, Thailand and Laos - and other Asian and Latin American countries are cooperating with Nigeria to fight the drug menace, the source said, without giving more details.

Hundreds of Nigerians have been arrested or imprisoned in foreign countries over the past few years for drug trafficking.

Under an anti-drug law promulgated by the military government this year, importation or exportation of hard drugss carries life imprisonment while any Nigerian jailed outside the country would be liable for a five-year jail term on return to Nigeria.

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#90323d9960 11/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Paris (NOV. 19) - German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, at the opening of the first working session of the European security summit conference here Monday, urged that Europe become a centre of peace in the world.

Kohl, who chaired the session, said Europe ''must set an example in being good'', especially with regard to the conflicts in other parts of the world.

He said the conference had the ambitious aim to build a ''Europe of peace envisioned by the great European Immanuel Kant 195 years ago''. The German philosopher and university teacher lived from 1724 until 1804.

Instead of putting Kant's vision into reality, Kohl said, Germany and Europe had too long been at the centre of worldwide catastrophes.

The chancellor said some of the precepts on which the Csce was based were the human rights declaration of the French revolution in the year 1789, Britain's Magna Charta (1215) and the American Bill of Rights (1791).

Kohl will deliver his address as representative of Germany Tuesday. Other speakers Tuesday are U.S. President George Bush, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and British Premier Margaret Thatcher.

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#90323e0017 11/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PAMPLONA (NOV 19) EFE - Police arrested Monday 10 suspected members of the armed separatist group ETA in raids in northeastern Spain, officials said.

Three people, including a leader of the Basque region's radical Herri Batasuna (HB) party -- widely regared as ETA's political wing -- were detained in the town of Aoiz, 360 km northeast of Madrid.

Police nabbed seven more suspected ETA members in two separate overnight raids in the northeastern cities of Pamplona and Vitoria.

The arrests came two days after French police captured four alleged ETA members in southwestern France, including Carmen Guisasola Salazabal, considered one of ETA's leading members and hunted by Spanish police for 10 years.

Two policemen were killed and two others were seriously wounded Sunday in a bomb attack by suspected ETA separatists in Spain's troubled Basque region.

The group frequently attacks police as part of its 22-year-old campaign for the right to independence of the Basque region.

ETA has killed more than 600 people since it took up arms in 1968.

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#90323e0018 11/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BEIRUT (NOV. 19) EFE - The Christian Lebanese Forces (FL) militia has set down new conditions for its withdrawal from Beirut that threaten to delay a government order calling for all militias in the capital to leave by midnight Monday, the Lebanese daily Al Safir reported.

According to the daily, the FL has demanded that Lebanese troops due to take over its positions in East Beirut be comprised of Christians.

"Not one Moslem official must enter our neighborhoods," FL sources were quoted as saying.

The FL, which controls residential districts in East Beirut, fought a bloody four-month war with rebel Christian leader Gen. Michel Aoun for control of the Christian enclave earlier this year.

The defeat of Aoun by Syrian and government forces raised hopes of a peaceful solution to Lebanon's 15-year-old civil war, during which tens of thoudands of people have been killed.

The government of Lebanese President Elias Hrawi has accused the FL of trying to divide the Army, undermining efforts to unite Christian forces following the defeat of Aoun.

The government has given FL leader Samir Geagea a few hours Monday to formulate his final answer to the withdrawal order, while the Lebanese cabinet plans to meet to debate what measures it would adopt if the FL refuses to leave.

Government sources said Monday that Prime Minister Salim al Hoss was ready to impose the peace plan "even if it is by force".

The FL has said it fears that if it withdraws without government guarantees, rival Christian forces would occupy its positions as Aoun's militia did.

All of Lebanon's 11 militias, including the FL, have said they would obey Hrawi's order two weeks ago to leave Greater Beirut, which includes a 26-km area around the city, by midnight Monday.

Amal and Druze leaders have recently said their forces had already left the region, while the Hezbollah militia is in the process and the FL's final decision is expected later Monday.

The withdrawal of militias is the first step of the Taif peace accord signed by the Lebanese parliament in October last year, which also called for power-sharing between the country's Moslem majority and Christian minority.

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#90323e0034 11/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

CULIACAN, MEXICO (NOV. 19) EFE - A federal anti-narcotics police officer was killed and two other agents were seriously wounded in a confrontation with municipal police in northwestern Mexico, authorities said Monday.

A spokesman said the three federal police officers were shot Sunday night when they refused to pay a bar bill in the northwestern town of Culiacan and tried to kidnap the headwaiter who demanded they pay up.

Large numbers of municipal police were later mobilized in the fear that federal agents might attempt to revenge the killing, officials said.

The incident was the second in the last few months between the two groups.

In the previous incident, the head of the municipal police was killed by federal agents during a drugs bust.SW-KM

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#90323e0043 11/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
TIZAYUCA, MEXICO (NOV 19) EFE - Political opponents of Mexico's ruling party burned a city hall building, kidnapped municipal officials, and closed roads in the state of Hildago to protest local elections held last week, officials said Monday.

A police spokesman said militant members of the Democratic Revolution Party (PRD) burned the building Sunday in Tizayuca, 50 km northeast of Mexico City, to protest what they considered electoral fraud by the Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI).

PRI has ruled Mexico's national government since 1929.

The militant supporters of PRD warned they would continue to commit similar acts until the alleged fraud committed by PRI in elections on November 11 was cleared up.

The state electoral commission in Hidalgo has certified PRI won 77 of the 84 elections in that state. But opposition parties have claimed victories over the PRI in several of the other mayoral elections.

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#90323e0045 11/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
ASUNCION (NOV. 19) EFE - Thousands of landless Paraguayan peasants marched to the parliament building Monday to press demands for agrarian reform and better social services in rural areas.

Some 2,000 peasants, who had descended on the capital from around the country, sang hymns outside the legislative building in Asuncion while their leaders outlined to congressional leaders their demands for land and better health,

education and housing.

Leaders of farmers from the southeastern department of Misiones met with the president of the senate to highlight their demands for large farms in the south to be expropiated and divided up among some 6,000 landless peasant families.

Some 450 farmers had walked some 230 km from Misones to Asuncion to lead Monday's march.

The peasants have rejected the government's offer to move them on to land in areas outside their home regions.

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SHENYANG (NOV. 19) XINHUA - CHINA'S THREE MEDIUM-SIZED UNDERWATER ROBOTS PASSED A STATE-LEVEL APPRAISAL TODAY, RAISING THE COUNTRY TO THE FOREFRONT OF UNDERWATER HIGH-TECHNOLOGY.

THE THREE ROBOTS HAVE ALREADY ACCOMPLISHED DOZENS OF UNDERWATER TASKS, INCLUDING PROBING, FILMING AND TECHNICAL SERVICES ON DAMS, OFF-SHORE OIL DRILLING PLATFORMS AND SHIP-SALVAGING PROJECTS.

THE SECOND OF THE ROBOTS WAS SOLD TO A CUSTOMER IN THE UNITED STATES, MARKING CHINA'S FIRST ATTEMPT TO OPEN UP TO THE WORLD MARKET IN THIS HIGH-TECH BUSINESS.

CHINA BEGAN TO TEST AND BUILD ITS MEDIUM-SIZED UNDERWATER ROBOTS IN 1986.

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#90323h0003 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

JINAN (NOV. 19) XINHUA - A COMPLETE NEW EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN PUT INTO OPERATION IN THE NORTH SHANDONG CHEMICAL PLANT IN JINAN CITY, CAPITAL OF EAST CHINA'S SHANDONG PROVINCE, MAKING THE PLANT POLLUTION FREE.

THE EQUIPMENT CAN PRODUCE PHOSPHAMIDON, AN EFFECTIVE COMPOUND CHEMICAL FERTILIZER USED TO INCREASE CROP OUTPUT, SULFURIC ACID AND CEMENT SUCCESSIVELY. THE ANNUAL OUTPUT IS EXPECTED TO REACH 30,000, 40,000 AND 60,000 TONS, RESPECTIVELY.

DURING THE PRODUCTION PROCESS, THE WASTE RESIDUE, WASTE GAS AND WASTE WATER ARE ALL RECYCLED.

THE DIRECTOR OF THE PLANT, FENG YISHENG, AND HIS FELLOW TECHNICIANS DEVELOPED THE EQUIPMENT, WHICH IS THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN CHINA, AFTER YEARS OF RESEARCH AND EXPERIMENT.

A LARGE PHOSPHAMIDON ENTERPRISE IN THE SOVIET UNION HELD TALKS WITH THE PLANT TO INTRODUCE THE PROCESSING TECHNIQUE.

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#90323h0010 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV. 19) XINHUA - SCHOOLS AND HOSPITALS NATIONWIDE IN THAILAND ARE EXPECTED TO BE DECLARED SMOKE-FREE ZONES STARTING DECEMBER 1 THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO A LATEST OFFICIAL NEWS BULLETIN.

THE BULLETIN SAID THAT FOUR GUIDELINES WERE DRAWN UP FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE POLICY AT THE RECENT MEETING OF NATIONAL CIGARETTE CONSUMPTION CONTROL COMMITTEE.

THESE GUIDELINES INCLUDE: ARRANGING SPECIFIC SMOKE-FREE ZONES IN SCHOOLS AND HOSPITALS, PROHIBITING DOCTORS AND RELATED PERSONNEL FROM SMOKING BEFORE PATIENTS AND RELATIVES, BANNING OF CIGARETTE SALE IN HOSPITALS AND DISTRIBUTING POSTERS AND BROCHURES TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ON SMOKING HAZARDS.

BESIDES, OFFICIALS CONCERNED ARE PLANNING TO ISSUE A LAW PROTECTING NON-SMOKERS' RIGHTS THROUGH SMOKING BAN IN PUBLIC PLACES AND OFFICES. IN THIS EFFORT, PRIVATE FIRMS WILL BE URGED TO SPECIFY SMOKING AREAS FOR THEIR EMPLOYEES.

THE MEASURE WILL BE PROPOSED TO THE CABINET FOR CONSIDERATION, THE BULLETIN SAID.

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#90323h0015 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV. 19) XINHUA - U.S. AMBASSADOR TO PAKISTAN ROBERT OAKLEY HAS REAFFIRMED THAT THE UNITED STATES INSISTS THAT EVEN POSSESSION OF COMPONENTS OF A NUCLEAR DEVICE CONTRAVENES THE U.S. LAW AND PAKISTAN IS NOT QUALIFIED FROM RECEIVING U.S. ECONOMIC AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE.

ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL SOURCES HERE THIS MORNING, THE U.S. AMBASSADOR STATED THIS IN A LETTER TO THE EDITOR OF THE PAKISTAN NEWSPAPER "NATION" IN RESPONSE TO ITS ARTICLE ABOUT "RELATIONS WITH U.S." ON NOVEMBER 11.

THE RECENT U.S. DECISION TO CUT OFF MILITARY AID TO PAKISTAN WAS MADE DUE TO ITS ALLEGED DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND POSSESSION OF NUCLEAR DEVICES.

PAKISTAN HAS DENIED ITS DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND URGED THE UNITED STATES TO IMMEDIATELY RELEASE ITS MILITARY AID TO PAKISTAN, PARTICULARLY WHEN THE COUNTRY'S FRONTIERS WITH AFGHANISTAN AND INDIA ARE THREATENED WITH UNTOWARD INCIDENTS.

UNDER A FIVE-YEAR AGREEMENT REACHED BETWEEN PAKISTAN AND THE UNITED STATES IN 1989, THE UNITED STATES OFFERS PAKISTAN MORE THAN 500 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS OF MILITARY AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE EVERY YEAR.

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#90323h0017 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 19) XINHUA - THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NATIONAL DAY OF THE SULTANATE OF OMAN WAS MARKED AT A RECEPTION HOSTED HERE TODAY BY AMBASSADOR OF THE SULTANATE OF OMAN AND MRS. MUSHTAQ BIN ABDULLAH BIN JAFFER AL-SALEH.

CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER QIAN QICHEN AND DIPLOMATIC ENVOYS FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES ATTENDED THE RECEPTION.

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#90323h0023 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 19) XINHUA - THE CHINESE MINISTRY OF POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS WILL SOON ISSUE A SET OF TWO STAMPED POSTCARDS, A MINIATURE STAMP AND ANOTHER MEMORIAL POSTCARD.

THE TWO STAMPED POSTCARDS COMMEMORATE THE YEAR OF THE SHEEP (1991) AND ARE THE 11TH SET OF NEW YEAR POSTCARDS ISSUED BY THE MINISTRY.

THE DESIGN ON EACH CONSISTS OF A SHEEP FORMED BY THREE CHINESE CHARACTERS MEANING SHEEP AND ONE MEANING GRAND, IMPLYING LUCK AND AUSPICIOUSNESS.

THEIR FACE VALUE IS 15 FEN EACH. ANOTHER POSTCARD, TO BE ISSUED NOVEMBER 21, COMMEMORATES THE CENTENARY OF THE INTRODUCTION OF THE EUCALYPTUS TO CHINA.

EUCALYPTUSES ORIGINALLY CAME FROM AUSTRALIA, BUT NOW CHINA IS THE SECOND-LARGEST EUCALYPTUS PRODUCER IN THE WORLD.

THE FACE VALUE OF THIS POSTCARD IS ALSO 15 FEN. AN INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC CONFERENCE TO COMMEMORATE THE CENTENARY WILL ALSO BE HELD HERE THIS MONTH.

THE MINIATURE STAMP, TO MARK THE THIRD MEETING OF THE ALL-CHINA PHILATELISTS FEDERATION, WILL BE ISSUED NOVEMBER 28, THE DAY THE MEETING OPENS.

THE MAIN DESIGN OF THIS STAMP IS AN ANCIENT CHINESE "GUSU POST" (WHERE FORMERLY COURIERS CHANGED HORSES AND RESTED), SURROUNDING BY AN ANCIENT EPIGRAPH IN THE FORM OF A FISH.

THE FACE VALUE OF THIS STAMP IS TWO YUAN. THE DESIGNERS OF THESE POSTCARDS AND STAMP ARE LU SHENGZHONG, OF THE CENTRAL ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS, AND REN YU AND LIU SHUOREN, BOTH OF THE CHINA STAMP COMPANY.

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#90323h0024 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 19) XINHUA - THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT AND THE NATIONAL HYDROELECTRIC POWER CORPORATION (NHPC) OF INDIA HAVE SIGNED A SUBSIDIARY LOAN AGREEMENT ON THE 430 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR LOAN APPROVED BY THE WORLD BANK FOR THE NORTHERN REGION TRANSMISSION PROJECT, LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY.

THE GOVERNMENT WILL NOW MAKE AVAILABLE TO NHPC FUNDS IN INDIAN CURRENCY EQUIVALENT TO THE PROCEEDS OF THE WORLD BANK LOAN IN A PHASED SCHEDULED TO ENABLE THE CORPORATION TO EXECUTE THE AMBITIOUS TRANSMISSION NETWORK, THE REPORT SAID.

THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT AND THE WORLD BANK HAD ENTERED INTO A LOAN AGREEMENT LAST MONTH FOR 485 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS. OF THIS, 55 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS ARE TO BE USED BY THE CENTRAL ELECTRICITY AUTHORITY (CEA) FOR THE LOAN DESPATCH CENTER IN THE NORTH.

THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT WILL HAVE TO BE REPAID BY NHPC TO THE GOVERNMENT WITHIN 15 YEARS AT THE NORMAL RATE OF INTEREST APPLICABLE TO SUCH GOVERNMENT LOANS, THE REPORT SAID.

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#90323h0043 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA (NOV. 19) XINHUA - THE GOVERNMENTS OF FINLAND, NORWAY AND SWEDEN HAVE RECENTLY SIGNED A NEW INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON JUTE AND JUTE PRODUCTS, A PRESS RELEASE SAID HERE TODAY.

AMONG THE IMPORTING COUNTRIES, JAPAN AND SWITZERLAND HAVE ALREADY SIGNED THE AGREEMENT. TOGETHER WITH FINLAND, NORWAY AND SWEDEN, THESE FIVE IMPORTING COUNTRIES ACCOUNT FOR 7.07 PERCENT OF NET WORLD IMPORTS.

A NUMBER OF OTHER IMPORTING COUNTRIES HAVE ALSO EXPRESSED THEIR COMMITMENT TO THE INTERNATIONAL JUTE ORGANIZATION AND ARE EXPECTED TO ACCEDE TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT PENDING THEIR PROCEDURAL AND LEGAL FORMALITIES.

27 IMPORTING COUNTRIES WERE MEMBERS OF THE CURRENT AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD COMPLETE ITS EXTENDED PERIOD ON DECEMBER 31, 1990.

ONE OF THE NECESSARY CONDITIONS FOR THE NEW AGREEMENT TO ENTER INTO FORCE REQUIRES SIGNATURE AND RATIFICATION BY A MINIMUM OF TWENTY IMPORTING COUNTRIES ACCOUNTING FOR AT LEAST 65 PERCENT OF NET WORLD IMPORTS.

THE OTHER CONDITION FOR THE AGREEMENT'S ENTRY INTO FORCE REQUIRES THAT THREE COUNTRIES ACCOUNTING FOR AT LEAST 85 PERCENT OF THE NET WORLD EXPORTS OF JUTE HAVE TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT. THIS CONDITION HAD BEEN FULFILLED WITH SIGNING OF THE AGREEMENT BY BANGLADESH, INDIA AND CHINA EARLIER.

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#90323h0049 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NEW DELHI (NOV. 19) XINHUA - THE INDIAN NAVY HAS ACQUIRED EIGHT MORE SOVIET TYPE 877 SUBMARINES, ACCORDING TO CHIEF OF THE NAVAL STAFF ADMIRAL J.G. NADKARNI.

THIS ACQUISITION WILL STRENGTHEN INDIAN NAVY'S EXISTING FLEET WHICH HAS 15 SUBMARINES NOW.

ADDRESSING A NEWS CONFERENCE HERE TODAY, ADMIRAL NADKARNI, WHO RETIRES ON NOVEMBER 30 AFTER 41 YEARS SERVICE IN THE NAVY, SAID INDIA IS ALSO ACQUIRING FOUR HIGHLY SENSITIVE ANTI-SUBMARINE WARFARE VESSELS, TWO OF WHICH HAD ALREADY BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE SOVIET UNION.

THE NAVAL CHIEF SAID THERE WAS NO PROGRAM AT PRESENT TO ACQUIRE ANOTHER NUCLEAR-POWERED SUBMARINES. "WE WANTED TO EXPERIMENT AND TRAIN OURSELVES ON NUCLEAR PROPULSION AND IT WAS FOR THIS WE HAD ACQUIRED THE 'INS CHAKRA' FROM THE SOVIET UNION ON LEASE", HE SAID.

THE LEASE OF NUCLEAR-POWERED "INS CHAKRA", WHICH WAS RECEIVED BY INDIAN NAVY IN FEBRUARY 1988, EXPIRES EARLY NEXT YEAR.

THE NAVAL CHIEF WAS TIGHTLIPPED ABOUT WHETHER THE LEASE WILL BE EXTENDED OR NOT. "WE HAVE TO KEEP OUR OPTIONS OPEN AS WORLD FOSSIL FUEL RESERVES ARE FAST DRYING UP AND BY THE TURN OF THE CENTURY, NUCLEAR PROPULSION COULD BE THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE", HE SAID.

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#90323h0052 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (NOV. 19) XINHUA -- GENERAL WANG HAI, COMMANDER OF THE AIR FORCE OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY, MET WITH AND HOSTED A DINNER FOR A DELEGATION OF THE ZAMBIAN AIR FORCE LED BY ITS COMMANDER H.R.C. SIMUTOWE HERE THIS EVENING.

BOTH SIDES HAD A FRIENDLY CONVERSATION ON FURTHER PROMOTING THE FRIENDLY RELATIONS OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND TWO AIR FORCES.

EARLIER TODAY, WANG PRESIDED OVER A CEREMONY TO WELCOME THE ZAMBIAN VISITORS.

SIMUTOWE ARRIVED YESTERDAY AS WANG'S GUEST.

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#90323h0054 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
TIANJIN (NOV. 19) XINHUA - MORE THAN 55 MILLION PEOPLE IN 250 CITIES IN CHINA ARE NOW ABLE TO USE COOKING GAS, THANKS TO THE GOVERNMENT'S EFFORTS TO BOOST

THE INDUSTRY OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS.

ACCORDING TO THE CHINA URBAN GAS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CENTER, MANY CITIES HAVE BUILT GAS-GENERATING FACILITIES AND SUPPLY URBAN HOUSEHOLDS WITH SURPLUS GAS GENERATED BY INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES, COAL GAS AND NATURAL GAS.

ACCORDING TO STATISTICS, MORE THAN 30 CITIES EACH WITH AT LEAST 100,000 HOUSEHOLDS ARE ABLE TO SUPPLY GAS TO THEIR RESIDENTS.

THE USE OF COOKING GAS HAS MADE LIFE MORE CONVENIENT FOR URBAN RESIDENTS AND REDUCED AIR POLLUTION.

ACCORDING TO A SURVEY CARRIED OUT IN TIANJIN, URBAN RESIDENTS SAVE AN AVERAGE OF TWO HOURS OF HOUSEWORK PER DAY BY USING COOKING GAS AND THE DENSITY OF CARBON DIOXIDE IN THE AIR HAS DROPPED BY 90 PERCENT.

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#90323h0080 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 19) XINHUA - CHINA MADE RAPID PROGRESS IN THE IMPROVEMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS DURING THE COUNTRY'S SEVENTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN PERIOD (1986-1990).

THE STATE STATISTICAL BUREAU REPORTED THAT BY THE END OF 1989, 53,187 KILOMETERS OF RAILWAYS WERE IN SERVICE. CHINA CONSTRUCTED OVER 2,539 KILOMETERS OF DOUBLE-TRACK RAILWAYS IN THE FIRST FOUR YEARS OF THE PERIOD TO BRING THE TOTAL MILEAGE OF DOUBLE-TRACK RAILWAYS TO 12,528 KILOMETERS BY THE END OF 1989.

EXPERTS SAY THAT THE INCREASE OF DOUBLE-TRACK RAILWAYS HAS HELPED TO EASE CHINA'S SHORTAGE OF TRANSPORTATION CAPACITY.

IN ADDITION, CHINA HAD 6,372 KILOMETERS OF ELECTRIC RAILWAYS BY THE END OF 1989 -- AN INCREASE OF 3,073 KILOMETERS COMPARED WITH 1985. ANOTHER 852 KILOMETERS OF SUCH RAILWAYS ARE EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN THE BY THE END OF THIS YEAR.

MEANWHILE, THE COUNTRY ALSO GREATLY IMPROVED THE QUALITY OF HIGHWAYS AND WATERWAYS FACILITIES.

THE TOTAL VALUE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE REACHED 6.48 BILLION YUAN LAST YEAR, AN INCREASE OF 118.9 PERCENT OVER 1985. AT THE SAME TIME INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE SERVICE WAS INCREASED BY 400 PERCENT, WHILE THE CAPACITY OF CITY TELEPHONES WAS DOUBLED OVER A FOUR YEAR PERIOD.

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#90323h0087 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV. 19) XINHUA - THAI FOREIGN MINISTER SUBIN PINKHAYAN SAID HERE THIS EVENING THAT THAILAND AND LAOS HAD AGREED TO INCREASE TRADE COOPERATIONS AND INVESTMENTS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

UPON HIS ARRIVAL FROM HIS TWO-DAY TRIP TO LAOS, SUBIN SAID THAT DURING THE VISIT HE HAD MET WITH HIS LAO COUNTERPART, PHOUNE SIPASEUTH, TO DISCUSS BILATERAL TRADE AND ECONOMIC COOPERATIONS.

THE LAO SIDE RECEIVED A SUGGESTION OF THAILAND TO DEVELOP HYDRO-ELECTRICITY IN MEKONG RIVER, SUBIN ADDED.

SUBIN EARLIER PROPOSED TO LAO LEADERS THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES COOPERATE IN BUILDING AN ELECTRICITY-GENERATING DAM INSIDE LAOS, AND LAOS COULD SELL THE HYDRO-ELECTRICITY TO THAILAND AND EARN MUCH NEEDED FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

BEFORE THE VISIT, SUBIN ALSO MADE A ONE-DAY TRIP TO THREE NORTHEASTERN PROVINCES OF THAILAND LAST FRIDAY TO MAKE AN ASSESSMENT OF CROSS-BORDER COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

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#90323h0089 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 19) XINHUA - THE TROPICAL FORESTS OF THE WORLD MUST BE PUT UNDER SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT BY 1995 TO SAVE THEM FROM DEVASTATION BY UNCONTROLLED COMMERCIAL LOGGING, THE WORLD WILDLIFE FUND FOR NATURE (WWF) SAID IN A STATEMENT RELEASED HERE TODAY.

THE STATEMENT SAID THE WWF HAS SUBMITTED THE PROPOSAL TO THE INTERNATIONAL TROPICAL TIMBER ORGANIZATION (ITTO) WHICH IS HOLDING A COUNCIL MEETING IN YOKOHAMA, ABOUT 35 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF TOKYO.

THE SWITZERLAND-BASED WWF SAID IT HAS ASKED THE ITTO TO MOVE UP ITS TARGET DATE OF THE YEAR 2,000 FOR SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT, URGING HALF THE FORESTS TO BE BROUGHT UNDER CONTROL BY 1993.

THE PLAN WOULD BRING UNDER SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT AT LEAST 40 MILLION HECTARES OF LOGGED TROPICAL FORESTS BY 1993 AS COMPARED WITH ONE MILION AT PRESENT, THE STATEMENT ADDED.

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#90323h0091 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA (NOV. 19) XINHUA - BANGLADESH PRESIDENT H.M. ERSHAD LEAVES HERE TOMORROW FOR MALE, CAPITAL OF THE MALDIVES IN THE INDIAN OCEAN, TO ATTEND THE FIFTH SUMMIT OF THE SEVEN-NATION SOUTH ASIAN ASSOCIATION FOR REGIONAL COOPERATION, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY BSS.

THE PRESIDENT WILL LEAD A NINE-MEMBER BANGLADESH DELEGATION TO THE THREE-DAY

SUMMIT BEGINNING NOVEMBER 21. FOREIGN MINISTER A.I. MAHMUD IS ALREADY IN MALE ATTENDING THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND FOREIGN SECRETARY A. AHSAN REACHED THERE EVEN EARLIER TO TAKE PART IN THE MEETING OF THE FOREIGN SECRETARIES.

THE AGENDA OF THE SUMMIT INCLUDES FOOD SECURITY SERVICE, SUPPRESSION OF TERRORISM, PREVENTION OF DRUG ABUSE, RIGHTS OF THE DISADVANTAGED SEGMENT OF SOCIETY WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

BESIDES, THE CONFERENCE WILL EXPLORE NEW AREAS OF COOPERATION TO ENHANCE THE MUTUAL COOPERATION AMONG MEMBER COUNTRIES IN VARIOUS FIELDS.

THE ASSOCIATION GROUPS BANGLADESH, BHUTAN, INDIA, THE MALDIVES, NEPAL, PAKISTAN AND SRI LANKA.

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#90323h0092 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISMAILIA (NOV. 19) XINHUA - SHIPS PASSING THROUGH THE SUEZ CANAL WILL BE CHARGED 6 PERCENT MORE TRANSIT TOLLS STARTING JANUARY 1 NEXT YEAR TO MATCH EXPECTED GLOBAL INFLATION, THE SUEZ CANAL AUTHORITY ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE AUTHORITY, MOHAMED BZZAT ADEL, TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE THAT THE 6 PERCENT INCREASE IN TRANSIT TOLLS WILL BE FOR ALL SHIPS EXCEPT DRY BULK CARRIERS. THE INCREASE FOR THOSE VESSELS WILL BE 4 PERCENT.

HE MADE THE ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE OCCASION OF THE PASSAGE OF THE 500,000TH SHIP THROUGH THE CANAL SINCE THE CANAL'S NATIONALIZATION IN 1956.

TALKING ABOUT THE ADVERSE EFFECT OF THE GULF CRISIS ON THE CANAL INCOME ADEL SAID THE CANAL REVENUE IS EXPECTED TO DECREASE BY ABOUT 10-12 PERCENT AND THE LOSS WOULD BE DOUBLED IF WAR BREAKS OUT IN THE AREA.

THE REVENUE FOR 1989 WAS 1.4 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS. THE OFFICIAL SAID AS AN IMPORTANT SOURCE OF FOREIGN CURRENCY, THE CANAL IS NOW PROTECTED BY ARMED FORCES, POLICE AND INTELLIGENCE.

HE ALSO SAID THE SECOND STAGE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT WILL CONTINUE. UNDER THE PLAN, THE CANAL WILL BE WIDENED AND DEEPENED TO ACCOMMODATE 270,000-TON LOADED TANKERS.

THE NEW PROJECT WILL ALSO INCLUDE BETTER COMMUNICATIONS AND ANTI-POLLUTION MEASURES. FIFTEEN PERCENT OF THE CANAL REVENUE OF 1989 WILL GO TO THE NEW PROJECT, HE ADDED.

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#90323h0127 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
PANAMA CITY (NOV. 19) XINHUA - THE PANAMANIAN GOVERNMENT IS GOING TO RATIFY ITS DECISION TO PROCLAIM A GENERAL STRIKE CALLED FOR DEC. 5 AS "ILLEGAL" AND "UNJUSTIFIED", LOCAL PRESS REPORED TODAY.

ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL SOURCE, THE GOVERNMENT OF PRESIDENT GUILLERMO ENDARA COULD TAKE SEVERAL STEPS AGAINST THE STRIKE, WHICH INCLUDE MEASURES OF "A POLICE NATURE" TO GUARANTEE THE FREE TRAFFIC ON ITS BORDERS, AS WELL AS NORMAL PUBLIC SERVICES.

THE COUNTRY'S SECOND VICE PRESIDENT AND MINISTER OF PLANNING, GUILLERMO FORD, DESCRIBE THE STRIKE CALLED BY THE LABOR ORGANIZATIONS AS "UNJUSTIFIED."

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS HAVE CALLED FOR A GENERAL STRIKE ON DEC. 5 TO PROTEST GOVERNMENT FAILURE TO RESPOND TO THE LABOR'S GRIEVANCES PRESENTED DURING THEIR PARAD A MONTH AGO.

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#90323h0130 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 19) XINHUA - WEST EUROPEAN NEW CAR SALES FELL BY 1.7 PERCENT IN OCTOBER TO AN ESTIMATED 1.112 MILLION, WITH A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON PRODUCTION AND PROFIT LEVELS, SAID A REPORT RECEIVED HERE TODAY.

ACCORDING TO THE REPORT, DEMAND FOR NEW CARS FELL IN ITALY, FRANCE, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND SPAIN, WHICH ARE THE FOUR OF THE FIVE LEADING VOLUME MARKETS.

NEW CAR REGISTRATIONS IN GERMANY ROSE BY AROUND 16.4 PERCENT IN OCTOBER, WHILE IN SHARP CONTRAST SALES FELL BY 3.1 PERCENT IN TALY, BY 2.5 PERCENT IN FRANCE, BY 14.0 PERCENT IN THE UK AND BY 20.6 PERCENT IN SPAIN.

IN THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF THE YEAR, WEST EUROPEAN NEW CAR SALES AT 11.5 MILLION WERE 1.1 PERCENT LOWER THAN A YEAR AGO, BUT IN THE LAST THREE MONTHS, FROM AUGUST TO OCTOBER, SALES HAVE FALLEN BY 3.4 PERCENT.

THE REPORT NOTED TH E BIGGEST FALLS THIS YEAR HAD COME IN SWEDEN, FINLAND, THE UK AND SPAIN, AND IN OCTOBER ALONE NEW CAR REGISTRATIONS IN SWEDEN WERE AN ESTIMATED 33.5 PERCENT LOWER THAN A YEAR AGO.

WHILE OVERALL WESTERN EUROPEAN NEW CAR REGISTRATIONS WERE FALLING JAPANESE CAR MAKERS WERE GAINING GROUND WITH A JUMP IN MARKET SHARE TO 11.7 PERCENT IN THE FIRST 10 MONTHS FROM 11.0 PERCENT A YEAR AGO, BOOSTED BY A 5.2 PERCENT RISE IN SALES VOLUMD TO 1.34 MILLION.

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#90323h0133 11/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
ISTANBUL (NOV. 19) XINHUA - TURKEY ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THE PERIOD OF

COMPULSORY EDUCATION IN THE COUNTRY WOULD BE EXTENDED TO EIGHT YEARS INSTEAD OF THE PRESENT FIVE-YEAR PERIOD IN THE NEXT THREE YEARS.

SPEAKING AT A MEETING HELD IN ANKARA, TURKISH EDUCATION MINISTER AVNI AKYOL SAID THAT "THE TURKISH (EDUCATION POLICY) CANNOT REMAIN INDIFFERENT TO PROGRESS ALL OVER THE WORLD." TURKEY WAS ONE OF THE 12 COUNTRIES WHERE EDUCATION WAS ONLY COMPULSORY FOR FIVE YEARS, ADDED THE MINISTER.

HE ALSO SAID THAT THE EDUCATION MINISTRY WAS PREPARING FOR A SYSTEM AND ADMINISTRATIVE MEASURES THAT WOULD MEET THE UPCOMING NEEDS OF THE 21ST CENTURY.

"OUR MINISTRY HAS STARTED THE GROUND WORK FOR A FUNCTIONAL AND GENERAL-LEVEL RESEARCH ON THE EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF THE TURKISH SOCIETY," HE SAID.

LAST MONDAY, AKYO SAID THAT 42 PERCENT OF TURKISH STUDENTS WHO COMPLETED THEIR FIVE-YEAR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DID NOT CONTINUE ONTO SECONDARY EDUCATION.

"72.6 PERCENT OF SECONDARY SCHOOL GRADUATES CANNOT ENTER HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS," AKYOL SAID.

OFFICIALS FROM THE EDUCATION MINISTRY SAID THAT TURKEY, WITH ITS POPULATION OF 57 MILLION, HAS 7 MILLION ILLITERATE PERSONS ABOVE THE AGE OF 14.

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#90323k0006 11/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 19) KYODO - A U.S. AIR CARGO COMPANY, UNITED PARCEL SERVICE (UPS) HAS DELAYED ITS RESPONSE TO JAPAN'S OFFER TO ALLOW IT TO FLY INTO NARITA AIRPORT FIVE TIMES A WEEK, INSTEAD OF TWICE A WEEK IN AN ORIGINAL PROPOSAL, GOVERNMENT SOURCES SAID MONDAY.

TOM PANTAZIS, HEAD OF UPS' JAPANESE BRANCH, VISITED THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY MONDAY MORNING TO CONVEY THE COMPANY'S STANCE, ADDING THAT HE WILL EXPLAIN THE PROPOSAL TO THE HEAD OFFICE, WHICH HE SAID WILL MAKE AN OFFICIAL ANSWER BY THE END OF THE MONTH.

UPS HAD PLANNED TO START DAILY FLIGHTS AT THE END OF OCTOBER BETWEEN ALASKA AND NARITA.

BUT THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT TURNED DOWN THE REQUEST IN REACTION TO A U.S. DECISION TO REFUSE JAPAN AIRLINES AND NIPPON CARGO AIRLINES CO. FLIGHTS TO CHICAGO.

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#90323k0048 11/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 19) KYODO - THE BANK OF JAPAN NOTIFIED THE MARKET MONDAY THAT IT WILL SELL 1.3 TRILLION YEN IN FINANCING BILLS TUESDAY FOR REPURCHASE ON

DECEMBER 4.

THE RATE WILL BE 8.1012 PERCENT. MARKET ANALYSTS SAID THE CENTRAL BANK'S OPERATION WILL NEARLY MATCH THE AMOUNT OF SURPLUS EXPECTED IN THE MARKET TUESDAY.

"THE BOJ'S MOVE IS WITHIN OUR EXPECTATIONS. THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANY MAJOR CHANGE IN THE BANK'S POLICY," A MARKET ANALYST AT A MAJOR COMMERCIAL BANK SAID.

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#90323k0059 11/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 19) KYODO - JAPAN'S TOP FIVE CHEMICAL COMPANIES ON MONDAY REPORTED THAT UNCONSOLIDATED PRETAX PROFITS DROPPED BY 4 PERCENT TO 44 PERCENT IN THE FIRST HALF OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30 DUE MAINLY TO SHARP RISES IN IMPORTED NAPHTHA PRICES STEMMING FROM THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS.

ALL THE FIRMS, HOWEVER, REPORTED INCREASES IN SALES. SALES WERE PARTICULARLY BRISK IN SYNTHETIC RESINS FOR USE IN VEHICLES AND HOME ELECTRIC APPLIANCES, OFFICIALS OF THE COMPANIES SAID.

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS, PRICES FOR IMPORTED NAPHTHA, A RAW MATERIAL FOR PETROCHEMICAL PRODUCTS, WERE ABOUT 20,000 YEN PER KILOLITER UNTIL JULY. THE PRICES THEN JUMPED AFTER THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT IN AUGUST TO REACH THE 40,000 YEN LEVEL AT ONE POINT IN SEPTEMBER, THEY SAID, ADDING SUCH RISES CUT PROFITS.

THE COMPANIES RAISED PRICES FOR SOME PETROCHEMICAL PRODUCTS SUCH AS ETHYLENE IN OCTOBER, BUT IT WAS TOO LATE TO KEEP EARNINGS FROM FALLING, THEY SAID.

IMPORTED NAPHTHA PRICES ARE NOW FLUCTUATING NERVOUSLY AT THE 30,000 YEN LEVEL.

WITH SUCH HIGH NAPHTHA PRICES, THE COMPANIES WILL LIKELY ALSO REPORT INCREASES IN SALES BUT DROPS IN EARNINGS FOR THE ENTIRE FISCAL 1990 ENDING MARCH 31, THE OFFICIALS PREDICTED.

FOLLOWING ARE COMPANY RESULTS FOR THE FISCAL FIRST HALF IN BILLIONS OF YEN WITH YEAR-ON-YEAR COMPARISONS IN PARENTHESES:

	SALES	PRETAX PROFIT	NET INCOME
MITSUBISHI KASEI	376.1 ("3.4)	19.7 (-4.2)	12.6 ("39.3)
UBE INDUSTRIES	220.6 ("12.2)	5.2 (-44.2)	2.8 (-22.8)
MITSUI TOATSU	206.5 ("2.5)	12.2 (-14.7)	4.2 (-39.1)
MITSUBISHI PETROCHEMICAL	200.2 ("5.5)	25.1 (-12.1)	12.9 (-4.6)
MITSUI PETROCHEMICAL	154.1 ("3.5)	12.2 (-30.5)	7.1 (-29.2)

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HANOI (NOV. 19) KYODO - INDONESIAN PRESIDENT SUHARTO ARRIVED HERE MONDAY FOR AN OFFICIAL VISIT ON HIS WAY HOME FROM CHINA.

IT WAS THE FIRST VISIT TO VIETNAM BY A LEADER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN).

IT ALSO WAS THE FIRST VISIT BY AN INDONESIAN PRESIDENT IN 31 YEARS SINCE PRESIDENT SUKARNO VISITED THE COUNTRY IN 1959.

SUHARTO IS SCHEDULED TO MEET WITH VIETNAMESE COMMUNIST PARTY LEADER NGUYEN VAN LINH, PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF STATE VO CHI CONG AND PREMIER DO MUOI ON TUESDAY.

INDONESIAN FOREIGN MINISTER ALI ALATAS, WHO IS ACCOMPANYING SUHARTO ON THE VISIT, WILL MEET SEPARATELY WITH HIS VIETNAMENSE COUNTERPART NGUYEN CO THACH AND VICE PREMIER TRAN DUC LUONG.

THE LEADERS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES ARE EXPECTED TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON BILATERAL RELATIONS, VIETNAM-ASEAN RELATIONS, AND THE CAMBODIAN ISSUE.

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TOKYO (NOV. 19) KYODO - SAITAMA BANK ON TUESDAY WILL OPEN ITS NINTH OVERSEAS BRANCH IN AGANA, THE CAPITAL OF THE U.S. TERRITORY OF GUAM, BANK OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

THE NEW OFFICE, THE FIRST GUAM BRANCH OF A JAPANESE BANK, AIMS AT PROVIDING FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO JAPANESE FIRMS INTERESTED IN DEVELOPING RESORTS IN GUAM, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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GENEVA (NOV. 19) KYODO - TRADE NEGOTIATORS FROM MAJOR INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES HAVE AGREED TO ELIMINATE TARIFFS ON A LARGE NUMBER OF PHARMACEUTICALS, SOURCES CLOSE TO THE URUGUAY ROUND OF MULTILATERAL TRADE TALKS SAID MONDAY.

THE AGREEMENT AMONG JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, CANADA, THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES MEANS THE EVENTUAL ELIMINATION OF TARIFFS ON SEVERAL HUNDRED DRUGS AT THE ONGOING TRADE REFORM TALKS UNDER THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE, THE SOURCES SAID.

JAPAN HAS ALREADY PROPOSED THE ABOLITION OF TARIFFS ON 3,210 ITEMS, INCLUDING MEDICAL PRODUCTS.

THE U.S. HAS OFFERED TO ELIMINATE TARIFFS ON 750 ITEMS, WHILE CANADA HAS EXPRESSED READINESS TO DO AWAY WITH LEVIES FOR ABOUT 1,000 PRODUCTS.

THE EC, WHICH HAD BEEN RELUCTANT TO GO ALONG WITH THE PROPOSAL, HAS APPARENTLY CHANGED ITS STANCE CONCERNING MEDICAL PRODUCTS.

THE EC'S SHIFT HAS ALSO ENTICED SUCH NEUTRAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES AS SWITZERLAND AND AUSTRIA TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL, THE SOURCES SAID.

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KUMAMOTO (NOV. 19) KYODO - A CIVIC GROUP, WHICH SUPPORTS PERUVIAN PRESIDENT ALBERTO FUJIMORI, HAS COLLECTED 140 MILLION YEN IN DONATIONS FOR IMPOVERISHED PERUVIAN CHILDREN, OFFICIALS OF THE GROUP SAID MONDAY.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE DONATIONS CAME FROM COMPANIES, PREFECTURAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS IN THE PREFECTURE. THE AMOUNT IS 40 MILLION YEN ABOVE THE ORIGINAL TARGET.

THE GROUP, HEADED BY KUMAMOTO PREFECTURAL GOV. MORIHIRO HOSOKAWA, WAS SET UP LAST JULY WHEN FUJIMORI, THE SON OF JAPANESE IMMIGRANTS, VISITED HIS PARENTS' HOMETOWN IN KUMAMOTO PREFECTURE.

GROUP REPRESENTATIVES WILL VISIT PERU AS EARLY AS THE END OF THIS YEAR TO PRESENT THE MONEY TO FUJIMORI, WHO WAS SWORN IN AS PRESIDENT OF PERU ON JULY 28.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 19) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

perceived easing of Mideast tensions. ... The Nikkei is up 347 points. ... The FTSE jumps 32 in early afternoon. ... U.S. stocks in London are generally up 1/8. ... The long-bond yield is down to 8.42% and the dollar is weaker. ... North Sea crude is off 85 cents to $28.15. ... AMERICAN AIRLINES says it is linking its Sabre reservations system with Europe's largest network, Amadeus, to give it a leg up on UNITED AIRLINES and its European partner, Galileo. ... CHRYSLER has decided it will not build a new junior-sized Jeep after failing to enlist RENAULT, or another partner, in the undertaking.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

MICHAEL BOSKIN, chairman of the COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS, speaks at a NATIONAL PRESS CLUB luncheon today. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports on

October building permits tomorrow. ... On Wednesday, the LABOR DEPARTMENT issues the import and export price indexes for October.

FROM THE BULLS:

"Bull markets emerge at times like this when it seems an absolute impossibility," says GLENN CUTLER at "Market Mania." While there is still a worst case possibility down to 2250, the odds are diminished. "All the weak sisters are out," says Cutler, who believes the market is in the final stage of an intermediate bottom with the Dow on the way back to 2650. "Secondaries should see their best move since 1983," he predicts. (CNBC "World Business", 11/19)

"In the year 2010, the Dow Jones industrial average will be 10,000," says CARTER RANDALL on a special anniversary show of "Wall Street Week" in which often-featured guests were asked to look back 20 years and ahead 20 years. ("Wall Street Week", 11/16)

"I feel the stock market has made a low and will embark on a new advance that will carry it significantly higher and the Dow Jones industrial average over 3000 in 12 months," says STEPHEN LEEB, editor of "Personal Finance" advisory letter. "Important lows are always accompanied by maximum bearishness and gloom." SHERMAN McCLELLAN, developer of the "McClellan Oscillator" and the "McClellan Summation" says he realizes his bullish attitude "is contrary to what most people are thinking, especially since we may be headed into a slowing economy. But the stock market is a lead indicator, not a coincident one, when compared with the economy." Another market optimist is ANDREW ADDISON, editor of the "Addison Report." "I think we are having a rally within a transition phase from a bear market to a bull market. ... I don't expect a bull market to start overnight - I think we are at the beginning stage." Addison looks for a move to 2700 on the Dow by the end of January. ("Investor's Daily", 11/19)

"In all of my 50 years of investment counsel I cannot recall a month in which there was such almost universal pessimism as there was in October," says JOHN TEMPLETON, founder of THE TEMPLETON FUNDS. "That doesn't prove that we can't still get more pessimistic, but if you're already the most pessimistic in 50 years, you must be somewhere near the bottom." ("Wall Street Week", 11/16)

STOCK MARKET:

"We don't see a major turnaround for the market for a while," says WILLIAM RAFTERY, vice president of technical research at SMITH BARNEY, HARRIS, UPHAM & CO. However, he notes that Smith Barney recommended to clients last week that they increase their stock exposure slightly. ("The Washington Post", 11/18)

JOHN TEMPLETON of THE TEMPLETON FUNDS, doesn't have much patience with academics who would suggest the stock market is always fairly priced and that it does no good to try to pick and choose among stocks. "That's just

resigning from the game," he says. "If you take the game of tennis, there are exactly as many losers as winners, but that's no reason to give up playing tennis." ("Wall Street Week", 11/16)

"Although the economy doesn't look good, we still expect the Dow to rally and get to 2850 by the middle of January," says DAVID EDWARDS, chief investment officer at UNITED SERVICES ADVISORS INC. in San Antonio, Tex. "However, I am not sure if the bear market is over yet. We're positive looking ahead a few months because of what we perceive will be a lack of negative news." ("Investor's Daily", 11/19)

"I honestly think the January effect may be here," says JACK LaPORTE at T. ROWE PRICE ASSOCIATES' NEW HORIZONS FUND. (WSJ, 11/19)

STOCK TIPS:

U.S. HEALTHCARE INC. is featured in "Investor's Daily" today as an example of one of the nation's best health maintenance organizations. Earnings growth has ranged from 107% to 280% in the past four quarters and the stock is up 468% since the summer of 1988. "They're doing pioneering work," says KENNETH ABRAMOWITZ, an analyst with SANFORD C. BERNSTEIN & CO. He says the company is driven by "a burning desire to succeed" and a strong sense of responsibility to its HMO members. "U.S. Healthcare is an extraordinarily well-managed company " says PRUDENTIAL-BACHE analyst SETH SHAW. "There's none better in the business. But it's still not invulnerable to some industry pressures." ("Investor's Daily", 11/19)

WILLIAM HARNISCH, chief stockpicker at FORSTMANN LEFF ASSOCIATES, says a slow recovery from a down economy will "produce a great stockpicking environment for the first time in at least four years. His favorites are BAKER HUGHES, BIOGEN, BURLINGTON RESOURCES, DIAMOND SHAMROCK, IMMUNEX, McDERMOTT INTERNATIONAL, PRICE CO. and WABAN. ("Barron's", 11/19)

That fact that earnings have not deteriorated bodes very well for stock prices according to the "Blue Chip Correlator." The newsletter is particularly impressed with earnings at RALSTON PURINA and LOEWS. Other buys: ANHEUSER at 36 3/4, DISNEY at 96 3/4 and SUPER VALU STORES at 24 3/8.) (CNBC "World Business", 11/19)

WILLIAM HOPKE, who runs the $600 million DOMINION CAPITAL investment arm of DOMINION RESOURCES utility holding company in Richmond, Va., has honed in on four stocks he thinks are prime takeover candidates at prices well above where the stocks stand now. They are NASHUA CORP., GROW GROUP, GOULD PUMPS and DURIRON CO. ("USA Today", 11/19)

"Godfather III" will be the biggest movie of the year but PARAMOUNT won't make money because of high production costs, says industry analyst DENNIS MCALPINE of MCALPINE ASSOCIATES. A small speculative play he likes is NELSON HOLDINGS.

Their film "Misery" is a new Stephen King story which McApline hears has been testing very well: "This is a movie that could do real big and nobody is expecting it." (CNN "Business Day", 11/19)

"In the energy group, I still go with my No. 1 choice: TEXACO," says ANTHONY LUDOVICI, senior vice president at TUCKER, ANTHONY. He also likes EXXON. "If you're looking for broad-based stocks outside the energy area, look at IT&T." He also recommends GENERAL ELECTRIC and WESTINGHOUSE. "I think the fear of the financial sectors of Westinghouse and GE have been overplayed and I think they are outstanding values at current levels - major integrated companies with proven records of accomplishment over the years." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up" 11/16)

FLEER CORP., the baseball-card company that went public last June, is launching what "Barron's" calls a "two-week road show to promote a 2.1-million-share secondary offering." The article says the company "is in high cotton" for the moment. "But while the prospectus offers a bright view of Fleer's future, a closer look discloses clouds on the horizon," the article says. ("Barron's", 11/19)

"Barron's" purports to have "the real scoop behind the bad news at FNN and troubled INFOTECH" in this week's edition. Quoting two former inside employees who are now cooperating with federal investigators, the article says the employees concluded that the FINANCIAL NEWS NETWORK "was, in effect, cooking its own books" as early as last summer and was losing money instead of turning a profit. "In sum, just how much FNN might fetch from one of the bidders reportedly interested in acquiring it is a question," the article concludes. "But what is certain is that the startling revelations about the network and its parent, and the prospect of more to come, mean that it's worth a lot less than it was just a few scant months ago." ("Barron's", 11/19)

"There is definitely a window of opportunity on the upside because interest rates are coming down and there probably won't be a war until January at the earliest," says VICTOR SPERANDEO, head of RAND MANAGEMENT. "Stick with consumer-oriented blue chip stocks. That's where people who have to get invested in a hurry put their money and that's where the programs are." He recommends JOHNSON & JOHNSON, PROCTER & GAMBLE and PHILIP MORRIS. MORRIS MARKOVITZ, head of MERCURY MANAGEMENT, suggests that conservative investors buy the DREYFUS PEOPLE'S INDEX FUND or TRICONTINENTAL, another fund. ("Barron's", 11/19)

MARTIN WHITMAN, who has run the EQUITY STRATEGIES fund since 1984 and recently formed the THIRD AVENUE FUND, likes KENTUCKY CENTRAL LIFE INSURANCE, a stock trading at one-third its 1989 peak. "There's no problem with the company, there's a problem with the stock," he says. SUPER VALU STORES and A. SCHULMAN INC., are featured stocks in the "investment news & views" section of "Barron's" this week. ("Barron's", 11/19)

"The main thing people need to learn is that selecting assets is totally different from almost every other activity," says JOHN 3 TEMPLETON of THE TEMPLETON FUNDS. "If you go to 10 doctors and they tell you the same medicine that's the thing to take. If you go to 10 engineers to build a bridge, they tell you the same thing, that's the way to go. But you go 10 investment advisers and they pick out the same asset, you'd better stay away from it. ("Wall Street Week", 11/16)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

DELOS SMITH, economist for THE CONFERENCE BOARD, says Friday's 0.6% rise in the consumer price index, coupled with an earlier 0.3% increase in the producer price index, "allows the Federal Reserve, if they want to, to lower interest rates, and I do think they want to." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/16)

STUART HOFFMAN, chief economist at PNC FINANCIAL CORP. in Pittsburgh, says lower interest rates are something like time-release cold capsules: "You've got to take them now because of the delays involved. They slowly work their way through the economy before they finally ease your pains or, in this case, the recession." ("USA Today", 11/19)

A GARY SHILLING of A. GARY SHILLING & CO. says he has "owned two-year notes for some time - because the Fed is easing, they're being forced to - but now we're moving into the long end because it is becoming a global recession and that's what we figured it would take to get bond yields coming down because we are so dependent on the rest of the world our rates can't come down without theirs [coming down]." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/16)

"More [bond] gains would appear to be in order given the state of the economy, but the nagging Middle East situation, the threat of a weaker dollar and high real interest rates abroad could combine to limit further declines in bond yields," says THOMAS SOWANICK at MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MARKETS. ("Investor's Daily", 11/19)

"We have come a long way pretty quickly, but I would be surprised if the [bond] market continued to rally over the next couple of weeks," says STEVEN SLIFER at SHEARSON LEHMAN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES. (NYT, 11/19)

"The corporate bond market has had very light issuance since Aug. 2 [when Iraq invaded Kuwait] so there is pent-up demand," says CONAGRA treasurer JAMES O'DONNELL. The company sold $100 million in 15-year bonds last week at a

yield of 9.875%. Underwriters said that was a lower interest rate than some companies with higher credit ratings have had to pay recently. (WSJ, 11/19)

THE ECONOMY:

BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC" found the 2.1% decrease in hourly earnings to be the most important economic statistic reported Friday. Noting that the plunge would translate to a annual compounded rate of 30%, he said the figure "adds to the notion that the economy was very, very weak in October." Wolman says that "BusinessWeek" calculations suggest GNP probably plunged 3% or 4% in the fourth quarter. "That assumes the October level stays the same throughout the whole quarter relative to the third quarter. If that happens, we have a very, very severe recession on our hands." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/16)

JIM WILLIAMS, who sells his "Williams Inference Service" to some major stock funds, says: "Recession is here. Whether it gets out of control, I can't tell you yet. We have the flu. I'm worried we might get pneumonia. But I'm not a doomsayer at this point." ("USA Today", 11/19)

"The economy looks like it is increasingly caving in," says ALLEN SINAI, economist at BOSTON CO. ECONOMIC ADVISORS. He terms inflation "horrendously high." STEVE WOOD, an economist at BANKAMERICA, notes that "there has been little spillover of high energy prices into other costs" but cautions that "you know it's coming." ("Investor's Daily", 11/19)

"We keep hearing about inflation and the Fed's concern over inflation and I keep saying 'What inflation?" says ANTHONY LUDOVICI, senior vice president at TUCKER, ANTHONY. "At long last now, we see oil prices coming down because of the supply and demand characteristics of oil. ... [That] clearly suggests to me that we've seen the highs in oil prices." He looks for the price to settle at $24 a barrel, or perhaps a dollar or two lower. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/16)

"I expected it [the CPI] to be worse, so from my standpoint this is quite a good number," says LACY HUNT, chief U.S. economist for HONG KONG BANK GROUP. "I think it's quite encouraging that the higher oil prices are not spreading to the rest of the economy. That's a very good sign. The bad sign is that inflation is considerably outstripping wage gains and as a consequence we had a very sharp decline in real income, which means the family budget is being wrecked." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/16)

"The silver lining [in the CPI report] is that the shock of energy prices does not seem to be feeding through to other prices," says RICHARD GORDON, economist for the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS. ("Investor's Daily", 11/19)

WILLIAM ARCHEY, international vice president of the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,

says the 2.4% decrease in imports and a drop in the volume of oil brought into the United States "are a fairly strong demonstration of the downturn of the economy." ("The Washington Post", 11/17)

"Obviously, the drop-off here [in demand for oil] is much less than in the past, but still something significant," says PAUL MLOTOK, an oil industry analyst at MORGAN STANLEY. "My best sense of it is that we're looking at something like zero growth next year." Adjusting for inflation, oil would have to sell for $80 a barrel now to match the highs of 1979-80. "This price increase hasn't been anywhere as nearly pronounced," notes WILLIAM RANDOL, an oil analyst at FIRST BOSTON. "This is child's play compared to that." ("The Washington Post", 11/18)

"Whether you agree that we're in a recession or not, the economy is slowing down," says JOHN TREAT at BOOZE ALLEN & HAMILTON. "I would think prices would account for 80% of the drop [in oil demand] and the slowdown of the economy most of the other 20%." ("USA Today", 11/19)

"Frankly, I was surprised that exports declined as much as they have," says SUNG WON SOHN, chief economist for NORWEST CORP. "The dollar weakness that we've had for some time ... that really has not done us much good so far." He says Fed moves to cut interest rates and White House acknowledgment that the economy is sagging means "we can start talking about a recovery in the second half of '91." ("Investor's Daily" and "USA Today", 11/19)

"I think the most amazing thing is that people will look back at the fourth quarter of 1990 and say things weren't that bad [in real estate]," says DAVID WEBB, head of real estate financing at MERRILL LYNCH. "We haven't hit bottom yet, partly because there are innumerable projects where the lenders have not yet taken title to properties that are now in default," says ARTHUR SONNENBLICK, vice chairman of the SONNENBLICK-GOLDMAN CORP., one of the nation's largest commercial brokers. "When that starts to happen you're going to see things hit the bottom." (NYT, 11/19)

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ATLANTA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Production go-ahead of the AGM-130 Standoff Weapon System has been received by Rockwell International Corporation's Tactical Systems Division in the form of initial contract funding of $32 million from the U.S. Air Force's Aeronautical Systems Division, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., the company announced today.

The funding covers Lot 1 procurement of 28 weapons, test equipment, and flight testing and training support.

The first AGM-130 unit delivery is planned for the last quarter of calendar 1992 or 24 months from contract start.

The new contract has a total value of $103.3 million and includes variable quantity options for Lot 2 of 55 additional weapons for $31.3 million, and Lot 3 for 120 additional weapons at $40 million. These options include the procurement of test equipment and production rate tooling as well as other provisions. The U.S. Air Force will exercise these options based on the completion of key program milestones.

The firm fixed price contract also calls for 15 production weapon verification flight tests starting in early 1993. The test launches will be conducted from an F-111 and F-15 aircraft.

Current U.S. Air Force plans call for an inventory of approximately 4,000 AGM-130 weapons.

Paul Smith, vice president and general manager of the division, said, "The start of the AGM-130 production is a significant step in supplying U.S. Air Force tactical aircraft and crews with an unmatched combination of standoff range, precision accuracy, effective payload, mission profile flexibility, and affordability.

"More importantly, it increases aircraft and crew survivability because AGM-130 flies to the target so the aircraft doesn't have to. Other benefits of the AGM-130 are its low cost and established logistics, training and operational base because of its commonality with its predecessor weapon, the GBU-15 guided weapon system," Smith explained.

Manufacture of the AGM-130 will be performed at Rockwell's northeast Atlanta facilities and will be supported by more than 100 subcontractors and suppliers nationwide.

In January of this year, the AGM-130 completed operational flight testing with a series of nine flights conducted by U.S. Air Force operational crews. Five flights were conducted from an F-4E aircraft at Eglin Air Force Base Range, Fla., and four launches were performed by F-111F aircraft at China Lake Naval Weapons Test Range, and Point Mugu, Calif. The test flights were performed over flat and mountainous terrain and over water at simulated targets such as bridges, tunnels, ships, radar vans, and buildings.

After a production readiness review of Rockwell's facilities, the U.S. Air Force approved AGM-130 for production in July.

Tactical Systems Division, a unit of Rockwell's Defense Electronics, specializes in applying advanced technology to the development and manufacture of tactical standoff and battlefield weapons systems as well as sensors and acquisition systems.

Rockwell International Corporation (NYSE: ROK) is a $12 billion multi-industry

company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive, and graphics businesses.

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#90323p8117 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANAMA, Bahrain (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - AlphaGraphics Printshops Of The Future has opened its first Persian Gulf quick printing center in Manama.

The company, based in Tucson, Ariz., signed agreements earlier this year to open several franchised printshops in the Gulf Cooperative Council Countries with the first two to operate in Bahrain and Saudi Arabia. The openings were delayed by the invasion of Kuwait.

Cyndi Herbert, AlphaGraphics' manager of international support, is presently in Manama helping set up the operation. She says that, initially, the company projected the customer base would consist mainly of the business community in the island capital, which caters to the banking and oil industries in neighboring countries and general commercial interests.

Herbert said that while many westerners have left Bahrain, eroding the original customer base, the presence of the military and intensified activities in various government embassies have created additional sales opportunities that AlphaGraphics is well-equipped to serve.

The Bahrain facility provides the same full line of quick printing services offered by AlphaGraphics' 300 franchises worldwide including: high speed duplicating, printing, copying, binding, facsimile (FAX) services, desktop publishing and electronic mail communications. The store also offers English and Arabic translation services.

All stores are linked together by AlphaLink a unique satellite communications system. The network makes it possible for a customer to drop off a document or brochure at any AlphaGraphics store one day and have it imprinted in any other AlphaGraphics store the next, saving the customer shipping costs and days of delay.

The network has proved particularly valuable in linking AlphaGraphics' shops in Moscow and Britain with several of the U.S. locations. In international traffic, there is no need to pass through customs, so the savings are even greater.

Franchise rights for the Middle East are owned by a group of investors based in Bahrain.

In the past few years, AlphaGraphics has expanded from a U.S. franchisor into

a company with more than 50 international franchises. AlphaGraphics is located in twelve countries including: Australia, Canada, England, Honk Kong, Mexico, Scotland, the Soviet Union, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, the United States and now Bahrain.

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#90323p8120 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

OYSTER BAY, N.Y. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - With a "ho, ho, ho" and a "razz," "beep," "ping!," worldwide home entertainment company Acclaim Entertainment, Inc. (NASDAQ: AKLM) is playing "SuperPlay Secret Santa" to American service men and women stationed in the Persian Gulf by donating 10,000 of its SuperPlay(TM) hand-held video games as gifts to the troops. Via the Boeing Helicopters "Christmas in Saudi Arabia" volunteer program, U.S. troops stationed abroad will receive 2,000 copies each of Acclaim's Wizards & Warriors(TM), IronSword(TM), BigFoot(R), Knight Rider(TM), and 1943(TM) hand-held video games for their recreational pleasure -- the largest product donation the program has received.

"We understand that electronic games are among the items most- requested by soldiers stationed in the Persian Gulf," said Gregory Fischbach, chairman of Acclaim. "We feel the least we can do as a small token of our appreciation is provide gifts of our hand-held games to brighten their holiday season away from home."

As part of the program, Acclaim's SuperPlay hand-helds will be marked with a gift tag, and in the event the troops return home prior to the holidays, the donation will be distributed among charitable organizations.

Acclaim Entertainment, Inc. is a leading publisher, marketer and distributor of home entertainment products. These include Nintendo Entertainment System software, Nintendo Game Boy compact video system software, wireless remote controllers and hand-held electronic video games.

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#90323p8130 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Applebee's International, Inc., (NASDAQ: APPB) today announced that its board of directors has approved the payment of the company's first annual dividend on its common stock.

The dividend will be 4 cents per common share, payable Jan. 15, 1991, to

shareholders of record as of Dec. 4, 1990.

Abe J. Gustin, Jr., Applebee's president said that the combination of strong earnings and operating cash flow in the first nine months of 1990 have made this first dividend possible. "Finding ways for our shareholders to participate in the financial success of our franchisees and our company has been an important priority for us as a franchising company, ever since our public offering in September 1989. This dividend represents a first and significant step toward that goal. We hope to be able to continue paying an annual dividend for years to come."

Applebee's recently reported earnings of 10 cents per share for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with 6 cents per share for last year's third quarter. Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were 36 cents per share, compared with a loss of 17 cents per share for the first nine months of 1989.

Applebee's International, Inc., headquartered in Kansas City, Mo., develops, franchises and operates a rapidly expanding national chain of restaurants under the trademark Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pacific Stock Exchange (PSE) announced that it has begun trading extended-term equity options on nine companies today. Extended-term options have expiration dates of up to two years and feature American-style exercise, which permits the options to be exercised at any time up to the expiration date. There are two strike prices for each option: one up to 25 percent above the stock price and the other up to 20 percent below the stock price.

Extended-term options provide investors the opportunity to take long-term positions in the market without having to purchase stock. They also allow investors the means to hedge equity portfolios from long-term market risk. Although other hedging products exist, the PSE's purpose in trading extended-term options is to serve investor interest by providing an additional choice.

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TROY, MI (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) reported increased third-quarter sales and earnings, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Joseph E. Antonini announced today.

Net income for the 13 weeks ended Oct. 31, 1990, increased 1.7 percent to $105.9 million from $104.1 million for the 13 weeks ended Oct. 25, 1989. Earnings per share were 53 cents, compared with 1989's 52 cents. Third-quarter sales rose 11.7 percent to $7.49 billion from 1989's $6.71 billion for the same period.

Net income for the first 39 weeks of 1990 increased 3.1 percent to $354.0 million from 1989's $343.2 million. Earnings per share were $1.77, compared with $1.71 in the year-ago period. Sales rose 12.8 percent to $22.32 billion from $19.78 billion for the same 39-week period of 1989.

The gross margin for the quarter was lower than a year ago, at 25.7 percent of sales versus 26.5 percent, reflecting the inclusion of the lower-margined PACE Membership Warehouse operation in the third quarter of 1990. The pretax LIFO charge for the 1990 period was $32.5 million, compared with $35.0 million in the prior year. For the 39-week periods, the pretax LIFO charge amounted to $97.5 million in 1990 and $105.0 million in 1989.

The selling, general and administrative (SGA) expense ratio was 0.7 percent lower at 23.1 percent of sales in the third quarter of 1990, versus 23.8 percent of sales for the comparable 1989 period, as a result of the effectiveness of cost-control programs and the inclusion of PACE.

Net interest expense on debt was $62.8 million, up 23.4 percent from $50.9 million in the 1989 third quarter. The increase was primarily due to greater short-term borrowings resulting from the acquisitions of PACE and The Sports Authority.

Looking to the balance of 1990, Antonini concluded, "While the outlook for consumer spending is clouded by a possible weakening of the U.S. economy, we are confident that our continuing emphasis on everyday low prices, our strengthened life-style merchandising programs, and increased utilization of retail automation systems will be of significant benefit to Kmart in a possibly more difficult retailing environment in the 1990 fourth quarter. In addition, positive results in our specialty retailing businesses will add to our profitability."

Kmart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,336 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse Clubs and The Sports Authority.

Kmart Corporation's stock is listed on the New York, Pacific, Midwest and Toyko stock exchanges. Its trading symbol is KM.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Forstmann & Company, Inc. today announced that it has extended until 12:00 noon, New York City time, on Monday, Nov. 19, 1990 the expiration date of its consent solicitation of holders of its 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999.

The company is preparing to commence a lawsuit against certain holders of notes who the company believes were members of the committee of noteholders who participated in the negotiation of, and agreed to, the terms of the consent solicitation and those noteholders working in concert with such noteholders. The complaint will allege that such persons fraudulently induced the company to commence the consent solicitation in violation of the federal securities laws and that, despite their participation in the negotiation process, such holders have conspired to withhold consents to the detriment of the company and the consenting noteholders. The complaint will seek damages and to hold such persons liable if their actions force the company into a bankruptcy filing.

As of Nov. 16, 1990, holders of approximately $92,735,000 of the $100,000,000 outstanding principal amount of 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes have furnished consents to the proposed amendments to the notes which have not been withdrawn.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Two separate actions announced today will result in additional financing for the Manville Personal Injury Settlement Trust and restructure the settlement and payment by the Trust of all health claims arising from exposure to asbestos formerly produced by Manville.

-- Manville Corporation (NYSE: MVL) and the Trust signed formal agreements intended to enhance significantly the Trust's liquidity;

-- Papers filed today in a U.S. District Court in New York ask the court to approve a proposed class action settlement reached between the Trust and representatives of its beneficiaries which will restructure the settlement and payment of claims by the Trust.

Manville Corporation and the Trust signed the agreements which will provide up to $650 million in dividends paid on a pro rata basis to all common shareholders over a seven-year period. The Manville bonds now held by the Trust will be exchanged for a new bond intended to be more marketable. Eighty percent of the dividends will be paid to the Trust following the conversion of the Trust's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, according to its terms, into Manville common stock. By converting its preferred stock, the Trust would be entitled to receive up to $520 million of the special dividend payments during the seven-year period. Since emerging from Chapter 11, Manville has reported earnings per common share on the assumption that the Trust had converted its preferred stock.

The refinancing plan is contingent on the receipt of final court orders approving the resolution of the class action lawsuit which was initiated today in a U.S. District Court in New York. Earlier a special master appointed by the court concluded that the Trust is a limited fund which is a prerequisite to proceeding with a limited fund class action.

Manville said that its obligations under the agreements also are contingent upon the court reaffirming the injunction that prohibits asbestos-related lawsuits against the company. The company intends to file a motion for reaffirmation of the injunction within the next two weeks.

"These steps -- a new claims processing system implemented through the class action and the refinancing agreement -- will more effectively, efficiently and equitably compensate those injured by asbestos exposure," said Tom Stephens, Manville chairman, president and CEO. "We are pleased that Manville could aid the settlement process by enhancing the Trust's liquidity, while benefiting all of the company's shareholders.

"These actions should clear up any misperceptions about Manville's financial obligations to the Trust," Stephens added. "The agreement, following court action, will free the company from many of the operational and financial restrictions imposed in the plan of reorganization. It further ensures a strong, well-financed and competitive operating company."

Under the plan of reorganization, Manville is not involved in settling or paying health claims, all of which must be directed to the Trust which operates as an independent organization. An injunction prohibits any asbestos-related lawsuits or claims from being filed against the company.

An agreement in principle was announced in September between the company and the Trust. The formal agreements detail the refinancing plan which includes:

-- payment by Manville of $125 million in dividends on a pro rata basis to all common shareholders, payable 90 days after Sept. 30, 1991, or after orders to implement the class action and reaffirm the injunction become final,

whichever is later;

-- $125 million in dividends payable one year after the first dividend; -- $50 million in dividends payable in the second year after the first dividend;

-- $50 million in dividends payable in the third year after the first dividend;

-- cumulative dividends, up to a cap of $300 million, in the fourth through the seventh years based on the company's annual performance. All but the first dividend payment are subject to appropriate financing by the company

-- the Trust will exchange its current $1.8 billion bonds for a new bond with identical payment obligations. The Trust may then exchange all or portions of the new bond for marketable debentures of equal value but with more standard payment terms, which it may then sell. Manville's obligation to make annual bond payments will begin in 1991.

The new financing plan leaves in place payment of 20 percent of Manville's annual net profits to the Trust beginning in 1992 for as long as needed.

Manville Corporation emerged from bankruptcy in November 1988. The company is an international manufacturing and natural resources company headquartered in Denver, Colo. The company's primary businesses include building and engineered products, fiber glass and industrial insulation products, paper and wood products, packaging, roofing systems, and filtration and mineral products. Founded in 1858, Manville has more than 18,000 employees at more than 50 plants and seven mining interests worldwide.

For more information: Refinancing Agreement, Manville: Don Ferguson, 303-978-3255; Refinancing Agreement, Manville Trust: Catherine Carroll-Fischer 202-467-2814; Report of Special Advisor: Leon Silverman, 212-820-8080.

MANVILLE PERSONAL INJURY SETTLEMENT TRUST

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) - John C. Sawhill, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Manville Personal Injury Settlement Trust, today issued the following statement on behalf of the trustees:

"The Trustees are pleased to announce that final agreements with Manville Corporation providing enhanced liquidity to the Trust have been signed and plans for restructuring payment of claims have been agreed upon by representatives of the Trust's beneficiaries and submitted for approval to Judge Weinstein."

"These agreements will enable the Trust to proceed in establishing a more equitable distribution of the Trust's funds among its beneficiaries, both those who have already filed claims and those who will file claims in the

future, through the proposed class action proceedings."

"The negotiations over the past several months have been intense. The Trustees and the staff appreciate the hard work and good faith efforts of all participants who have contributed to the success of these negotiations. We are hopeful that the cooperation and dedication of all participants will continue as we work together to realize the goals set forth in these agreements."

Contact Catherine Carroll-Fischer, Manville Personal Injury Settlement Trust, 202-467-2814.

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Network World Inc. today named Steve Moore managing director and William A. Perry director of marketing and sales for Global Networks(tm), a publication for global network managers building information networks spanning countries and continents.

Global Networks will provide in-depth information about the technical, managerial and political aspects of running international voice, data and video networks. Included will be coverage of products and services, and analyses of PTT policies on customer premise equipment and private lines. Its premiere issue is scheduled for early spring with a target circulation of 35 percent in the United States, 33 percent in the Pacific Rim, 28 percent in Europe, and 4 percent throughout the rest of the world.

Moore comes to Global Networks from Network World, where he was features editor, focusing on issues relating to international and global markets. He has nine years of experience in the computer and communications industry and received a master's degree in journalism from the University of Colorado.

Perry also worked at Network World, where he was district manager for the southeastern region. Previously he was in sales and sales management positions for eight years at Fairchild Publications in New York.

Perry received a master's degree in business administration and a bachelor's degree in English from the University of Kentucky.

Global Networks, a quarterly publication for senior network managers responsible for building networks spanning countries and continents, is part of Network World Inc., a subsidiary of the International Data Group (IDG).

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ANAHEIM, CA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Odetics (AMEX: OA and OB) today reported second-quarter results that show a significant increase in sales and earnings.

Odetics reported contract revenues of $35,599,000 for the sixth- month period ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with $26,349,000 for the same period in 1989. Contract revenues and net sales for the second quarter of fiscal year 1991 were $19,685,000 compared with $12,988,000 in fiscal year 1990. Net income for the first six months of fiscal year 1991 is $608,000 compared with $155,000 for the same period last year, a 292 percent increase. Net income for the second quarter of fiscal year 1991 is $402,000 compared with $119,000 for the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

Earnings per share increased to $0.14 for the first half of fiscal year 1991, compared with $.04 in fiscal year 1990. Second- quarter earnings were up at $0.09 compared with $.03 for the same period last year.

Odetics, headquartered in Anaheim, is a leading manufacturer of intelligent machines, including information systems for collecting digital and analog data as well as robotic and artificial intelligence systems.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Hachette Magazines, Inc., has reached an agreement with Distribution Services, Inc. (DSI), a unit of the GP Group, to handle check-out counter distribution, sales and marketing of Woman's Day and Woman's Day Specials. The Curtis Circulation Company, an affiliate of Hachette Magazines, will complement the distribution and marketing efforts of DSI. The arrangement begins with the February issues of the magazines.

The move is intended to increase the magazines' retail exposure and their point of sale positioning in supermarkets, drug stores and mass merchandisers. DSI, which distributes the GP Group's own National Enquirer and The Star, is particularly strong in the "front end" market, Hachette points out, with a distribution staff of over 600 across the country and strong relationships with 180,000 outlets in the United States and Canada.

The addition of the Hachette titles will make DSI the country's largest distributor of check-out counter titles. Magazines represented by the company

which also handles several Hearst magazines, now account for 33 percent of the retail volume of the top 100 check-out magazines.

In addition to handling physical distribution and representing the publications to the headquarters of the major retail chains across all the various store categories, DSI will design and service front-end fixtures for the publications.

The agreement has particularly strong implications for Woman's Day, said Hachette. The popular 53-year-old magazine derives 88 percent of its circulation from single copy sales, far more than its six major competitors. With average newsstand sales of over 4 million copies, Woman's Day is the largest single copy women's magazine, and is second only to TV Guide both in the average number of single copies sold and in the profits it brings to retailers who carry it.

Hachette executives add that the new arrangement is one in a series of actions it plans to implement to support Woman's Day. Filipacchi points out that a major advertising campaign targeted to media buyers and potential advertisers is already underway in publications like the Wall Street Journal, Advertising Age and AdWeek.

Hachette Magazines, Inc., is a subsidiary of Hachette Publications, Inc. In addition to the magazines involved in the agreement with DSI, titles published by Hachette Magazines include American Photo, Audio, Boat, Boating, Car and Driver, Car Stereo Review, Cycle, Cycle World, ELLE, ELLE Decor, Flying, Popular Photography, Road & Track, Showboats International, Sound & Image, and Stereo Review. Hachette Magazines also publishes some 50 newsstand specials and more than 100 crossword puzzle, word game and astrology issues annually.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (NYSE: JEC), of Pasadena, Calif., and Project Development Group Inc., of nearby Monroeville Penn., today announced the formation of Integrated Remediation Inc., a new company which is to provide remediation contracting services to the hazardous waste industry.

Headquartered in Monroeville, Integrated Remediation will offer a complete range of remedial contracting services including: construction of waste containment systems, stabilization and solidification of wastes, excavation of contaminated soil and waste material, and decommissioning and demolition of industrial facilities. The new company also will provide underground storage tank management, including leak testing, monitoring and replacement; and

construction of groundwater treatment and control systems.

Announcement of the company's formation was made jointly by Roger L. Williams, Jacobs' senior vice president, environmental, and David J. D'Appolonia, vice chairman and executive vice president, Project Development Group.

Jacobs, the 10th largest contractor in the United States, according to Engineering News-Record's 1989 listing, has more than 12,000 personnel nationwide, 22 offices, $800 million in revenue and a total backlog of more than $1.1 billion. Jacobs provides single- source environmental and hazardous waste management, consulting engineering, design, architectural, construction, construction management, contract maintenance, and operations services to government and industrial clients around the world.

Project Development Group provides remedial services to the asbestos abatement industry and has completed more than 500 asbestos abatement projects in occupied commercial, industrial and government facilities.

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#90323p8158 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Sybron Acquisition Company today announced financial results for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, including net sales total of $328.2 million, a 96 percent gain over the prior year.

Kenneth F. Yontz, chairman, president and CEO of Sybron, said that operating cash flow, defined as earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, was $83.0 million, compared to $76.2 million the previous year, an increase of 8.9 percent.

Yontz reported that net income for the year totaled $3.1 million, compared to a net loss of $1.1 million for the previous year. This was the first year since the acquisition of the company's subsidiaries in September, 1987, that the company reported net income despite charges due to non-cash amortization of goodwill and financing costs related to the acquisition. The results were within the company's expectations.

Yontz stated that income resulted from improved gross and operating margins during the current period when compared with the previous year. Gross margins increased to 48.6 percent from 47.6 percent and operating margins increased to 17.7 percent from 16.9 percent in the previous year.

The company also provided this information on fiscal 1990 and 1989 operations, in millions of dollars, with 1990 figures first: net sales $318.2, $299.4; gross profits, $159.4, $142.6; income before income taxes, $8.4, $2.9; net income (loss) $3.1, ($1.1).

Sybron conducts its businesses through five principal operating subsidiaries, which design, manufacture and market laboratory and dental supplies worldwide. Subsidiaries are Kerr Manufacturing Co., Nalge Co., Erie Scientific Co., Barnstead Thermolyne Corp. and Ormco Corp.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - BLOCKBUSTER Entertainment Corporation (NYSE: BV) has reached an agreement in principle to acquire Erol's Inc. Erol's owns and operates 208 videocassette rental and sales stores in the Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, Baltimore, Cleveland, Chicago, Richmond and Norfolk/Tidewater metropolitan areas.

After the acquisition, BLOCKBUSTER intends to transfer certain acquired operations in franchised areas to its franchise owners in such areas.

BLOCKBUSTER will acquire Erol's operations in exchange for cash, a note, BLOCKBUSTER common stock and debt assumption, having an approximate total value of $40 million. The closing of the acquisition by BLOCKBUSTER is subject to certain customary conditions including the execution of a definitive acquisition agreement and the obtaining of certain lenders' agreements.

Erol's founder and principal stockholder, Erol Onaran, said that he "believes that the proposed acquisition is in the best interests of Erol's, its employees and customers particularly in view of BLOCKBUSTER's significant financial resources."

H. Wayne Huizenga, chairman and chief executive officer of BLOCKBUSTER, said that "the agreement in principle provides an outstanding opportunity for BLOCKBUSTER and its franchise owners to broaden the base of our stores."

BLOCKBUSTER today announced the opening of its 1,500th store, which is located in Vancouver, British Columbia. Of the total, 762 are company-owned and 738 are franchise-owned. BLOCKBUSTER has stores in 142 major markets in 44 states the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico and Canada and three major markets in the United Kingdom.

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#90323p8167 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - WPP Group plc (NASDAQ: WPPGY), the multi-national marketing services company, today announced it now believes that its pre-tax profits for the year to Dec. 31, 1990 will be somewhat lower than the general level of brokers' published estimates of around 110 million pounds sterling. This has only become apparent this month. While results for the final two months of the year normally contribute significantly to profits, the Group feels it prudent to lower its expectations for this period and therefore for the full year because of the general economic downturn.

The Group noted continuing trends of significant client net new business gains and despite the lowering of previous expectations, the Group continues to trade successfully at significant levels of profitability.

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#90323p8170 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
SANTA BARBARA, CA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Inamed Corp. (NASDAQ: IMDC), a medical and surgical device company that develops and markets silicone-based products to specialty medical markets, headquartered here, today reported record sales of $8,778,799 for the third quarter and $26,621,837 for the nine months both ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to revenues of $7,088,338 and $19,938,789 for the same reporting periods in 1989.

Profits for the third quarter 1990 were $320,504, or $0.04 per share, compared to $220,148, or $0.03 per share, in 1989. Profits for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $976,540, or $.12 per share, compared to $1,148,321, or $0.15 per share, for the same period in 1989.

"With sales of over $26.5 milion for the current nine-month period, a 34 percent increase on the first nine months of 1989, Inamed is continuing to move closer to its long-term goal of being one of the largest and fastest growing companies in the medical device industry," said Donald K. McGhan, Inamed chairman and chief executive officer. "The company's steady growth is directly related to the expansion of both its domestic and European production facilities as well as an increase in its marketing efforts."

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#90323p8172 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Witco Corporation (NYSE: WIT) today

announced it will increase production capacity by more than 50 percent for methyltin stabilizers at the Taft, La., facility operated by its Argus division.

Currently a leading supplier of these plastic additives, Witco will add a series of reactors and additional storage capacity adjacent to present operations at the Taft plant. This will increase production capacity of methyltin stabilizers as well as the tin intermediates used to produce these stabilizers. Expected completion of the expansion is by the fourth quarter of 1991.

Witco is a fully integrated producer of tin stabilizers, with the thiochemical plant at Taft providing the raw materials for methyltin stabilizer production. The major application for these products is in processing rigid polyvinyl chloride (PVC) used primarily in construction for siding, door and window frames and pipe.

Witco's Argus division is a manufacturer of heat and light stabilizers, antioxidants, specialty plasticizers, organic peroxides and other polymer additives supplied to the plastics industry. In addition, thiochemicals, oil additives and aluminum chloride are made for many chemical applications. Witco manufactures specialty chemical and petroleum products and engineered materials with annual sales of approximately $1.6 billion.

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#90323p8173 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MICH. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Forecasting record oil and gas reserves for 1990, an end to depressed oil prices and 1990 net income of $10 million, CMS Energy's NOMECO Oil & Gas Co. unit today announced it will expand its capital budget next year by 10 percent to $90 million.

NOMECO, which began 1990 with 37 million net equivalent barrels, will finish the year with 47 million, up 27 percent, the company said. The projected increase for 1990 means the company will have more than doubled its reserves in three years. Reserves were 21.2 million net equivalent barrels at the end of 1987.

"Our growth in reserves for 1990 makes it likely that we will move up in the industry's rankings again next year," Burgess said.

Among U.S. companies, NOMECO now ranks 52nd on the basis of its 1989 worldwide oil reserves, according to recent standings for 400 exploration and production (E&P) companies published in October by Oil & Gas Journal. NOMECO also placed No. 76 worldwide on the basis of its natural gas reserves, the magazine

reported. Just six years ago, the company's worldwide oil and gas reserves ranked No. 94 and No. 129, respectively.

"The company's $5.7 million increase in net income expected for 1990 over $4.3 million in 1989 does not result solely from oil price increases due to the Kuwait crisis," Burgess said.

CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS) is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services. CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth-largest combination utility.

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#90323p8174 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAMPTON, NH (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Henley Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: HENG) and Libra Invest & Trade Ltd., holder of approximately 24.9 percent of Henley common stock, have agreed that Libra will not increase its beneficial ownership of Henley to more than 30 percent through Dec. 31, 1992, subject to certain exceptions.

The agreement provides that Libra will not engage, directly or indirectly, in any solicitation of proxies of Henley stockholders regarding the election of directors of Henley or an extraordinary transaction, seek to control or influence the management, board of directors or policies of Henley, or transfer shares of Henley common stock or other voting securities, except under certain circumstances.

In the agreement, Libra said it had acquired its present ownership position "based, in part, upon its belief in the abilities of the existing management of Henley." The restrictions in the agreement would cease to be in effect if "a person, entity or group unaffiliated with Libra" acquired 15 percent of the outstanding voting stock of Henley or if Michael D. Dingman, Paul M. Montrone "or another person acceptable to Libra shall no longer be the chief executive officer of Henley."

Dingman is chairman and chief executive officer of Henley, and Montrone is president. The agreement does not prohibit an all-cash tender offer by Libra for all of Henley's shares.

The agreement was entered into in part to address Henley's concern that the availability of certain net operating loss carryovers of Henley's Pneumo Abex subsidiary could be significantly reduced by additional changes in ownership of Henley common stock.

Changes in ownership, including changes resulting from additional purchases by Libra or purchases by any new or existing 5 percent shareholder, could significantly reduce Henley's ability to utilize such net operating loss carryovers.

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#90323p8176 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Harken Energy Corporation (NYSE: HEC) of Dallas today reported a net loss of $5.7 million, or $.20 per common share (after accrued preferred stock dividends) for the third quarter ended September 30, 1990. For the third quarter of 1989, Harken reported net income of $2.2 million, or $.04 per common share (after accrued preferred stock dividends).

Harken's third quarter results bring the nine-month consolidated net loss during 1990 to $31.1 million, or $1.06 per common share (after accrued preferred stock dividends). In the prior year's nine-month period, Harken reported net income of $4.6 million, or $.06 per common share (after accrued preferred stock dividends).

In comparison to the prior year's third quarter, the third quarter of 1990 was impacted by the following major factors:

-- Lower gasoline gross profits at Harken Marketing Company (HMC), Harken's refined products marketing subsidiary;

-- Higher gross profits from the natural gas gathering and transmission division of Tejas Power Corporation (TPC), Harken's natural gas gathering and marketing subsidiary;

-- Lower development fee income at TPC. In the third quarter of 1989, TPC earned development fees related to the Moss Bluff Gas Storage Facility;

-- Higher interest expense associated with increased project financing and term debt at TPC as well as increased borrowings from certain major Harken stockholders pursuant to a credit agreement announced by Harken on May 22, 1990.

When compared to the third quarter of 1989, HMC's third quarter, 1990 retail gasoline revenues increased due to sales price increases resulting from the current Middle East crisis. Retail gasoline gross profits, however, declined due to competitive factors which did not permit HMC to fully recover its substantially increased product cost. HMC attempted to maintain sales prices at levels that would result in acceptable per gallon margins which, due to

competitive forces, caused volumes to decline compared to the third quarter a year ago.

Harken Energy Corporation manages and develops energy assets. HEC retails, wholesales and distributes gasoline through its subsidiary, Harken Marketing Company. Through its subsidiary, Tejas Power Corporation, HEC constructs, owns and operates natural gas gathering, storage and transmission facilities in Texas and Louisiana and markets third party gas to a variety of end-users. HEC explores for, develops and produces oil and gas reserves domestically through its subsidiary Harken Exploration Company and internationally through its subsidiary Harken Bahrain Oil Company. HEC provides contract drilling and workover/well services through its subsidiary, Harken Resource Management Corporation.

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MIAMI (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The landmark Woolworth store in downtown Miami, severely damaged by fire in May, is set to reopen Nov. 20, 1990, following a grand reopening ceremony to be attended by Mayor Xavier Suarez of the City of Miami.

Joining Mayor Suarez at the 9:00 a.m. ceremony on Nov. 20 will be Robert G. Lynn, president and chief executive officer of F.W. Woolworth Co., the New York-based Woolworth Corporation (NYSE: Z) subsidiary that operates the Miami store, and Ileana Ros Lehtinen, the U.S. Congresswoman for the Miami area. Also in attendance will be William R. Wonnacott, F.W. Woolworth Co.'s vice president for the southeastern region of the United States; Fernando Campos, Woolworth district manager for southern Florida; and Robert Gali, manager of the downtown Miami store. In addition, various representatives from Miami's fire fighters and city government are expected to attend.

Located at 44 East Flagler Street, the Woolworth store, with approximately 12,600 square feet of selling space, has been totally renovated since the fire and will feature, among other things, state-of- the-art laser-scanning checkout lines to speed customers through the store, and highly sophisticated electronic inventory management systems.

The East Flagler Street store was first opened 69 years ago, in June 1921, as the Woolworth company's first store in the Miami area. On May 29 of this year, the store was damaged by a fire which started in a third-floor storeroom. The fire was brought under control after about four hours by a contingent of 70 fire fighters from the cities of Miami and Coral Gables.

To show its appreciation of the efforts of the fire fighters who contained the

blaze, on June 12 Fernando Campos, representing F.W. Woolworth Co. president Robert Lynn, presented a check for $10,000 to the Miami Fire Fighters Benevolent Association.

CONTACT: W. Barry Thomson for Woolworth Corporation, 212-553-2394

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AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - 'Cottontails,' a new generation of cotton diaper made for baby and the environment, is now being marketed to environmentally-sensitive parents.

The washable Cottontails diaper, which uses tabs instead of pins and is form-fitting, is the reusable answer to the disposable diaper. It looks and works like a disposable diaper, but is softer, more comfortable and can be washed, dried and reused over and over.

Cottontails cost only 1/3 that of disposable diapers, based on two dozen reusable Cottontails at $200/year (including energy cost to launder) compared to 2,555 disposable diapers at $600/year.

Cottontails will hit the shelves of selected department stores in 19 states from coast to coast this month. It is also available in 13 foreign countries, including Germany, England, Italy, France, Greece, Spain, Turkey, Korea, the Philippines and Mexico.

The Cottontails diaper can be reused at least 100 times, making it much less expensive than disposables while greatly reducing the amount of waste going into landfills, according to Sebastian, who developed the Cottontails concept. "If every American baby used Cottontails instead of disposable diapers, it could save four million tons of trash each year from entering our already bulging landfills. It could also save millions of trees from being destroyed for disposable diapers."

Sebastian first invented the Cottontails diaper in 1982 when her own baby developed a diaper rash and could not use disposable diapers. So she went to a fabric store, rounded up the materials and fashioned her own form-fitting cloth diaper, which used Velcro instead of pins.

So, with the help of private investors, the Sebastians decided to market their Cottontails operations on a large scale. They leased facilities last summer along the Texas Border and started making their diapers.

The diapers are available with or without a built-in waterproof pant in pink, blue and white. They come in three sizes, just like disposable diapers, and are available as singles, three to a package, or by the dozen, sold in a free reusable canvas tote bag. All packaging for Cottontails is 100 percent

recycled.

Color transparencies, slides and additional black & white photos available upon request.

CONTACT: Renee Peterson or Sherry Matthews, 512-478-4397 or Karen or Michael Sebastian of Cottontails, 1-800-USE-COTN

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald T. Marshall, chief executive officer of Sun Distributors L.P. (NYSE: SDP) announced today that a cash distribution of $.091666 has been declared for each Class A limited partnership interest to holders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

The distribution will be payable Dec. 31.

CONTACT: Louis J. Cissone of Sun Distributors, 215-665-3650

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MIAMI (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Spec's Music, Inc. (NASDAQ: SPEK) today announced that the board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to 300,000 shares of its common stock in the open market, from time-to-time, depending on market conditions. The company believes that its common stock is undervalued and that a limited repurchase program by the company is in the stockholders' best interest.

Spec's Music, Inc. is a publicly held company founded in 1948 by Martin W. Spector. The company is the largest specialty retailer in Florida of pre-recorded music and video products. The company currently operates 57 stores within the state of Florida, which sell compact discs, cassettes, video movies and a variety of audio and video related accessories. In October, 1990 the company opened a 20,000-square foot store in the Sawgrass Mills Mall, which is the largest music and video store in Florida. Forty of the company's stores also rent video movies.

CONTACT: Martin W. Spector, 305-661-3451, or Peter Blei, 305-592-7288, both of Spec's Music, Inc.

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KIRKLAND, WA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Geosafe Corp., a Pacific Northwest-headquartered hazardous waste remediation company, today announced it has received a large-scale remediation contract from Bechtel Environmental

Inc., the prime contractor responsible for treating a polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) Superfund site near Spokane, Wash. Geosafe's crew and equipment are scheduled to begin remediation work there in January.

The cost of treating approximately 2,600 tons will be in excess of $1.0 million. Geosafe's "in situ vitrification" (ISV) technology is able to melt 100 tons or more of PCB-contaminated soil per day. The site will require five settings with approximately 500 tons remediated at a setting, however, single melts of up to 1,000 tons are possible.

Of dual importance to Geosafe, is that this particular contract is being conducted in conjunction with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as a demonstration of the applicability of Geosafe's ISV technology to treat PCB-contaminated sites falling under the cognizance of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA).

At the successful conclusion of the Spokane remediation, which will take from six to eight weeks, Geosafe expects to receive its TSCA permit allowing the company to apply its technology to PCB-contaminated sites on a nationwide basis.

ISV's development costs included $14 million in Department of Energy funding over an eight-year period at Battelle's Pacific Northwest Laboratories at Hanford, Wash., for potential use on radioactively contaminated soils. Since Geosafe was formed by Battelle in 1988 to commercialize the technology, the company's initial efforts have been focused on chemical and hazardous waste-contaminated sites.

In situ vitrification is a process that melts contaminated soils by means of electricity. Four carbon and molybdenum electrodes are placed into an area of approximately 300-400 square feet where initially 4,000 volts are applied at 400 amps which will generate temperatures up to 3,600 degrees F.

Organic contaminants are destroyed through pyrolysis and the inorganics are incorporated into the molten mass that, when cooled, resembles natural obsidian that one would find in volcanic regions. Off gases from the melt are captured under a hood and are treated to conform with air quality standards.

ISV is a permanent in-place process for treating contaminated soils and will destroy, remove, or permanently immobilize hazardous substances. ISV reduces both the toxicity and volume of contaminated soil, and eliminates the need to transport wastes. Geosafe is a private company that is majority owned by Battelle Memorial Institute.

CONTACT: Bill Endicott of Geosafe Corp., (206) 822-4000.

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#90323p8191 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Bureau Inc. (SBI), a wholly owned subsidiary of Chambers Development Company Inc. (AMEX: CDVB) of Pittsburgh, announced today that it has acquired AmGUARD Security Corp., a security services firm headquartered in Oakland, Calif., with offices in San Francisco and San Jose.

The acquisition is expected to generate annual revenue of $8.7 million for SBI.

"This acquisition is excellent for SBI because AmGUARD has established an outstanding record of quality service to its customers in the Oakland, San Francisco and San Jose areas," said Gordon M. Ellis, SBI's president and chief operation officer.

"In the rapidly expanding security business, SBI is making well-planned acquisitions which complement the company. We are proceeding within the strategy and business plan developed by Chambers toward an optimum mix of the security and solid waste businesses.

"Also, AmGUARD will continue to enhance our position as a leader in security programs across the country and help differentiate SBI services to meet the ever increasing client demands for high quality security programs," Ellis said.

The AmGUARD acquisition complements existing SBI offices in Oakland and Pleasanton, Calif. Additionally, SBI has California offices in Orange, Anaheim, San Diego, Indio, Sacramento and San Rafael.

SBI, also headquartered in Pittsburgh, is the 12th largest security services firm in the United States. The company provides uniformed guard services, crisis management, security surveys, loss prevention and investigative services.

Chambers Development Company Inc. is a leading environnmental firm offering services in recycling, collection, hauling, disposal and landfill development.

CONTACT: Jim Leonard of Chambers Development Company Inc., 412-244-7560

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PEMBROKE PINES, FLA. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Claire's Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CLE) today reported net income during the third quarter ended Nov. 3, 1990, reached a record $3.6 million, or $.18 per share from $3.4 million, or $.17 per share a year ago. Net sales increased 47 percent to a record $58.1 million from $39.5 million in the previous year, with same-store sales increasing 8 percent.

Net income for the nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990 was a record $10.2 million,

or $.50 per share from $7.7 million, or $.39 per share in the comparable period a year ago. Net sales for the nine months increased 49 percent to $166.9 million from $111.9 million, with same-store sales increasing 12 percent.

"We are pleased to report our eighth consecutive quarter of record sales and earnings," stated Rowland Schaefer, Claire's chairman and president. "These results are especially impressive in view of the impact of recent political events upon consumer confidence and the costs associated with 84 new store openings during the quarter," he said.

"We recently celebrated our 1,000th store opening and strongly believe that our philosophy of providing fun accessories at fabulous prices will enable us to continue to gain market share in virtually any environment," Schaefer continued.

"Despite economic uncertainty, we look forward to achieving record fourth quarter sales and earnings," Schaefer continued. "We enter the Christmas selling season both confident that our merchandise offerings will meet with strong customer acceptance and well-positioned to quickly adjust to changes in market conditions," he concluded.

Recognized today as one of the most profitable specialty growth retailers in America, Claire's Stores and subsidiaries comprise over 1,000 stores in 48 states carrying the names Claire's Boutiques, Dara Michelle, Topkapi, Arcadia, The Art Works and The Picture Show.

CONTACT: David Buchsbaum, director of financial relations of Claire's Stores, Inc., 305-443-3900

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#90323p8195 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Reading & Bates Corporation (NYSE: RB) announced today that all of the company's lease lenders and the holders of more than two-thirds of its bank debt issued in the company's 1989 restructuring have executed a commitment letter relating to the proposed recapitalization of the company.

The recapitalization plan will result in the elimination of $280.2 million of senior debt and lease obligations and cancellation of a contingent obligation of $50 million in exchange for approximately 191.9 million shares of Reading & Bates common equity. The $280.2 million of senior debt and lease obligations being exchanged is higher than the amount previously announced because certain creditors elected to take equity rather than new senior secured notes offered to them in the recapitalization plan originally proposed by the company.

D. Keith McIntosh, chairman and CEO of Reading & Bates indicated that company

was pleased it had received the support of a substantial majority of the senior creditor group, thus permitting the company to proceed with the necessary actions to complete the recapitalization plan.

Completion of the plan is subject to several conditions, including approval of the proposed recapitalization at a special meeting of stockholders currently scheduled to be held on Dec. 28, 1990.

McIntosh further indicated that if the remaining holders of bank debt do not agree to the plan, the company intends to seek to implement the plan as a "prepackaged" Chapter 11 plan of reorganization in bankruptcy court, as provided in the commitment letter. Such a "prepackaged" plan would provide that the company's creditors, other than the senior creditors involved in the 1989 debt restructuring, would remain unimpaired.

Reading & Bates Corporation, a New York Stock Exchange listed company, engages in offshore drilling throughout the world and provides engineering services and equipment for water and hazardous waste treatment systems.

CONTACT: M.H. McMahon, treasurer of Reading & Bates, 713-496-5000

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#90323p8198 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - AmeriHealth Inc. (AMEX: AHH), the Richmond-based hospital management company, today reported a net loss of $228,000 on operating revenues of $16,680,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, compared to a net loss of $1,838,000 on operating revenues of $14,970,000 for the comparable quarter in 1989.

On a per share basis, after deducting the accrual of dividend and accretion requirements for holders of the company's Series B Preferred Stock, the company reported a net loss of $.13 per common share for the third quarter of 1990 compared to a net loss of $.54 per common share for the third quarter of 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, the company reported a net loss of $36,000 on operating revenues of $48,048,000 compared to a net loss of $2,466,000 on operating revenues of $45,203,000 for the comparable period in 1989. On a per share basis, after deducting the accrual of dividend and accretion requirements for holders of the company's Series B Preferred Stock, the company reported a net loss of $.21 per common share for the first nine months of 1990 compared to a net loss of $.83 per common share for the first nine months of 1989.

Operating results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, included a $1,231,000 loss on closing of a 44-bed acute care facility, closed due to continued financial problems at the facility resulting from low

utilization associated with the general decline in the area's economy. Operating results for the first nine months of 1989 also included a charge against earnings of $904,000 ($.24 per common share), relating to the cumulative effect on years prior to 1989 of a change in accounting for physician recruitment expenditures.

William G. White, president and CEO of AmeriHealth, commenting on the third quarter financial results, said: "While we are pleased with the company's continued improvement in operating results and increased revenues in the third quarter of 1990, such results continue to be at levels less than expected. Stronger initiatives will continue to be exerted to improve operations further in the fourth quarter."

Founded in 1983, AmeriHealth Inc. now owns and/or manages six hospitals and other health care facilities in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

CONTACT: Morris S. Strickland of AmeriHealth, 804-643-1422

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Citicorp announced it intends to redeem on Jan. 8, 1991 its $75 million of series 5E auction preferred stock scheduled for auction today.

Citicorp previously announced redemption of $275 million of auction preferred stock on Nov. 7.

Citicorp will keep its options open concerning future auctions and whether it may call further amounts of its auction or remarketed preferred.

CONTACT: Amy Dates of Citicorp, 212-559-7608

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#90323p8203 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, NY (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Barrister Information Systems Corporation (AMEX: BIS) announced that it has received a contract from Sinkler & Boyd, P.A. of Columbia, S.C. for an upgrade to the firm's present computer system. The firm has 55 attorneys and 71 timekeepers located in offices in Columbia and Charleston, S.C.

The contract, valued at approximately $230,000, will upgrade the firm's existing IBM(A) System 34, Legal Eagle I system to an IBM AS/400(TM), running Barrister Eagle(TM) Level III software. The Level III package is an enhancement of the Eagle accounting package which is designed to take full advantage of the AS/400's system architecture by running in native mode. The

enhanced software capabilities will also allow the firm to effectively communicate between its two offices. The contract includes upgrading the present terminals on the firm's system to personal computers in a distributed, stand-alone environment.

The firm sent out a detailed and extensive request for proposal (RFP) and chose the Barrister/Eagle computer system from among four vendors, after a thorough two-month evaluation process. According to Anastasia Hiotis, the director of administration for Sinkler & Boyd, "The time had come to enhance our system. The Barrister/Eagle Level III system is a step in the right direction for our firm. The user- friendly communication software capabilities, as well as the relational data base technology, convinced us that Barrister was the right choice for our automation needs."

(A) IBM is a registered trademark and AS/400 is a trademark of International Business Machines. Barrister/Eagle is a trademark of Barrister Information Systems Corporation.

CONTACT: Stephen Wagner of Barrister Information Systems Corporation, 716-845-5010

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ST. PAUL, MINN. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - 3M and the 3M Foundation today announced $2.7 million in grants to educational, cultural and community organizations.

The grants include: -- $1,026,000 to the St. Paul Area United Way;
-- $700,000 to Junior Achievement for a national pilot economic education program aimed at helping at-risk elementary school students (students likely to drop out of school in a few years with few work skills);

-- $200,000 to the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra;
-- $160,000 to Twin Cities Public Television;
-- $125,000 in direct and matching grants to St. John's University, Collegeville, Minn.;

-- $125,000 in direct and matching grants to the College of St. Benedict, St. Joseph, Minn.;

-- $100,000 to Michigan State University;
-- $80,000 to the Chemical Specialties Manufacturers Association for production and distribution of a video on inhalant substance abuse;

-- $80,000 to the University of North Dakota for the establishment of a patent depository library;

-- $50,000 to the Minnesota Orchestra for performances in Japan.
Additional grants totaled $45,000 in smaller grants.

CONTACT: John Schroeder of 3M, 612-733-1834

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#90323p8206 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Sealright Co., Inc. (NASDAQ: SRCO), said today it has agreed to acquire certain assets of Jaite Packaging, an Akron, Ohio, supplier of flexible packaging for the food and beverage industry. Jaite produces labeling for soft-drink bottles and prints and converts flexible packaging for such products as condiments, cheese, meat, candy, snack foods, household goods, and medical equipment.

Privately held Jaite Packaging had sales of $40 million in 1989. Sealright, North America's preeminent supplier of packaging and packaging systems for ice cream and other frozen dairy desserts, had sales of $193 million in 1989.

Sealright Chairman Marvin W. Ozley said the acquisition of Jaite Packaging will expand the company's participation in the grocery-packaging market and will complement Sealright's position in flexible packaging.

"Jaite is an excellent fit with our existing California-based flexible-film operation, Packaging Industries, Inc. The Jaite acquisition enhances Sealright's national capability as a flexible- packaging supplier," Ozley said.

The acquisition also moves Sealright closer to its long-term diversification goal, Ozley said. The company has stated that it eventually looks for half its revenues to come from frozen dessert packaging and half from other food-packaging categories. About 60 percent of Sealright sales have come from frozen dairy dessert packaging in recent years.

Terms of the acquisition agreement were not disclosed.

CONTACT: David Burket for Sealright, 816-474-9407

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#90323p8210 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Lancaster Colony Corporation (NASDAQ: LANC) voted today to increase the quarterly cash dividend by declaring a dividend of 20 cents per share payable Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 10, 1990. The company had been paying a quarterly dividend of 19 cents per share.

John B. Gerlach, president of Lancaster Colony, noted that this will be the

110th consecutive quarterly cash dividend the company has paid starting in September 1963. He said that Lancaster Colony has increased the dividend each year for 27 years.

Gerlach also pointed out that the board action increasing the dividend to 20 cents brings the indicated annual payout to 79 cents per share for the current fiscal year, up from 75 cents per share in the previous fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

Shareholders voting at the annual meeting today reelected three incumbent directors to serve three-year terms and amended the company's 1981 Incentive Stock Option Plan to increase the aggregate number of shares that can be issued under the plan. Common shares outstanding and entitled to vote at the meeting were 11,586,842.

CONTACT: John B. Gerlach, president of Lancaster Colony Corp., 614-224-7147; or Investor Relations Consultants, 813-796-1452, for Lancaster Colony Corporation.

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#90323p8211 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHANTILLY, VA. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Fairchild Corporation announced that its stock has begun trading on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "FA," effective today.

The company had been known as Banner Industries, Inc., and its stock was formerly traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "BNR." The name "The Fairchild Corporation" was adopted by a vote of the company's shareholders at the annual meeting held Nov. 15.

The Fairchild Corporation is a leading supplier of aerospace and industrial products and communications services.

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NORCROSS, GA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Murex(R) Corporation, a subsidiary of Murex Clinical Technologies Corporation (V.MCI), today announced the signing of a major cross-licensing agreement with Novo Nordisk Diagnostics Ltd. of Cambridge, England, a subsidiary of Novo Nordisk A/S, a Denmark-based, major manufacturer of therapeutic agents for the diabetes market. The agreement

provides Novo with a non- exclusive license to employ Murex's patented SUDS(R) (Single Use Diagnostic System) technology. In exchange, Murex receives the rights to manufacture and market the diagnostic products which Novo will develop in the SUDS Systems and limited use of Novo's patented, enzyme amplification technology. As each new test is completed, both Murex and Novo will be able to market the newly-developed product globally.

Murex currently manufactures and markets a series of patented, rapid diagnostic tests in the SUDS System. All these tests can be performed on site in less than ten minutes and do not require skilled laboratory personnel. To date, three SUDS tests for Toxoplasmosis Gondii (a parasite), Rubella and strep have received FDA approval and are being commercially marketed.

Murex has developed and successfully completed clinical trials of a new ten-minute SUDS AIDS HIV-1 Antibody test and relevant FDA license applications were filed in January, 1990. Meanwhile, in August, Murex's sister company, Dominion Biologicals, began manufacturing and selling the SUDS AIDS test from its base in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia to meet current demand in non-FDA jurisdictions.

Murex intends to continue to pursue selective cross-licensing arrangements with other companies in order to utilize and capitalize upon the biotechnology and test development resources of companies that require a versatile, rapid diagnostic delivery system.

Used in a wide-range of applications, Murex's SUDS cartridge is a patented, disposal, hand-held unit in which a patient's sample and reagents are mixed. A highly visible color change on the bottom of the cartridge indicates a positive test.

Murex Clinical Technologies is the parent company of Murex Corporation headquartered in Norcross, Georgia and Dominion Biologicals Limited of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. Murex Corporation is an emerging, international immunodiagnostics system company focused on the development, manufacture and marketing of novel, rapid in vitro testing systems, known as the SUDS System, and products to diagnose and monitor human diseases, including AIDS. Dominion Biologicals Limited is Canada's leading developer and producer of diagnostic products utilized in blood transfusion practices. Dominion's advanced biotechnology manufacturing and research facility is dedicated to the development and production of innovative immunodiagnostic reagents and test system.

Nurex and SUDS are registered trademarks of Murex Corporation, Norcross, Ga.

CONTACT: Catherine M. Bardwick, 800-688-1332, or Sam Brushett, 404-662-0660, both of Murex Clinical Technologies Corporation

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#90323p8214 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
ANN ARBOR, MI (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - MEDSTAT Systems (NASDAQ: MDST) announced multi-year service agreements with new clients covering more than 300,000 employees and their families:

-- Michigan Consolidated Gas Company, headquartered in Detroit; -- Pacific Bell, headquartered in San Francisco; -- Warner-Lambert Company, headquartered in Morris Plains, N.J.; -- and a group of Wisconsin employers including S.C. Johnson and Sons, Western Publishing, Modine Manufacturing, the Racine County government, and the Racine School Board.

MEDSTAT Systems also announced a contract with Harvard University to provide data from the company's MarketScan national database to study the effects of cost management programs on the healthcare costs and utilization of corporate employees and their families.

"Our contract with Harvard points to the emerging value of our growing national database to support important policy research," said Ernest G. Ludy, MEDSTAT chairman and chief executive. "And, our new corporate clients confirm the ongoing need for information-based systems to manage healthcare costs, which typically accelerate during a period of economic downturn and increased inflation."

MEDSTAT Systems is a healthcare information company serving corporations, insurance, healthcare and consulting organizations with specialized databases, software and consulting services for controlling medical costs and measuring healthcare markets.

CONTACT: Jennifer S. Ponski of MEDSTAT Systems, Inc., 313-996-1180; or Dixie Watterson, 708-564-5610, Bruce Marcus, 212-599-2820, Largent Parks, 214-387-4520, Earle Brown, 813-796-1452, or Tim King, 213-541-4415, all of The Investor Relations Company, for MEDSTAT Systems.

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#90323p8218 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Cellular Communications, Inc. (CCI) (NASDAQ: COMM) announced today that its was changing its record date from Nov. 5, 1990, to Nov. 21, 1990, for its special meeting of stockholders that is tentatively scheduled for Friday, Dec. 28, 1990.

As previously announced, at such meeting stockholders will be asked to consider and act upon the amended and restated agreement and plan of merger and joint venture organization, dated as of Oct. 5, 1990, between CCI and Pacific Telesis Group ("PacTel") (NYSE: PAC). CCI said proxy materials would be distributed shortly.

CONTACT: J. Barclay Knapp, executive vice president and chief operating officer, or Richard J. Lubasch, vice president and general counsel, 212-319-7014, of Cellular Communications.

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#90323p8221 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Department of Environmental Resources (DER) today announced that Neville Chemical Co. has agreed to pay $60,000 for failing to comply with conditions of its wastewater discharge permit and to take steps to stop discharging contaminated water into the Ohio River from its Neville Island facility in Allegheny County.

"An important aspect of our agreement with Neville Chemical is that the company will stop using contaminated groundwater in the part of its cooling process that does not come in contact with chemical products," DER Regional Director Charles Duritsa said. "Previously, it was pumping contaminated groundwater, using it in the cooling process and then discharging the untreated contaminated water to the river."

The pollution was caused by past disposal practices, spills and leaks at the facility. The groundwater on the island is now contaminated with such substances as benzene, toluene, xylene, carbon tetrachloride, ethylbenzene, napthalene and styrene.

Duritsa said the agreement with Neville also requires the company to continue a comprehensive investigation to determine the most effective method of cleaning up the contaminated groundwater, as stipulated in a January 1989 DER consent order.

The groundwater treatment will include the use of an air stripping unit that forces air into the contaminated groundwater and, in turn, forces out the contaminants. The clean water will then be discharged to the river. The company must obtain an air quality permit from DER and the Allegheny County Health Department to install and operate the air stripper.

The company also must install a new biological treatment plant as required by federal guidelines for the chemical industry.

Neville Chemical is a major chemical manufacturing facility that synthesizes resins by a polymerization process. The company also operates a resin recycling process and industrial solvent distribution center.

CONTACT: Betsy Mallison of Pennsylvania DER, 412-645-7138

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Wolverine Holding Company and Genstar Capital Corporation have agreed to terminate their merger agreement entered into on Oct. 23, 1990.

Wolverine Holding, through its Wolverine Tube subsidiaries in the United States and Canada, is a leading manufacturer of copper, copper alloy, and aluminum tube and of copper rod, bar, and strip. The company operates eight plants in North American and has annual sales in excess of U.S. $50 million.

Wolverine will make no further attempts to sell the company at this time. John Quarles, president and chief executive of Wolverine, said, "We will now focus on the marketing and manufacturing changes we began a few weeks ago that, over time, will enhance our competitive position on a global basis."

CONTACT: Peggy Kauffman of Wolverine Holding, (205) 353-1310, or Mary Stirling of Genstar Capital, (416) 360-4262.

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#90323p8224 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CT (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc. (UCC&P) today announced completion of the purchase of the Triton(R) Surfactant and Alkylphenol Business Unit from Rohm and Haas Company (NYSE: ROH).

The business unit markets surfactants (surface active agents) and surfactant intermediates for a wide variety of applications including industrial and institutional products, emulsion polymerization, personal care products, household detergents, water treatment, oil field chemicals, textiles and pulp and paper. Product families include nonylphenol ethoxylates, octylphenol ethoxylates, low-foam surfactants, sulfates, sulfonates, phosphate esters, alkyl glycosides, amine ethoxylates and alkylphenols.

The acquisition includes inventories, associated technology and trademarks. No manufacturing facilities are included in the transaction.

Under a multi-year agreement with UCC&P, Rohm and Haas will continue to manufacture the entire product line at its Houston and Philadelphia facilities until the products can be phased into UCC&P manufacturing facilities in an orderly fashion. Products marketed in Europe will continue to be manufactured in Europe.

Rohm and Haas will continue to conduct business as usual with Triton surfactant customers and distributors until the transition is completed.

CONTACT: L. A. Agnello, 203-794-3386, or E. M. Lasowski, 203-794-2510, of Union Carbide

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Henkel Corp. announced today a new process to manufacture Fibrabon(R) 35 Wet-Strength Resin which significantly improves the environmental compatibility over the existing product.

Fibrabon resins are used to improve the drainage, drying, dry strength and formation of paper and assist in the retention of fibers, fillers and synthetic sizing agents during the paper making process. Fibrabon resins are particularly useful in the production of corrugated medium, liner board, bleached board, kraft bags, wrapping papers, tissues and toweling.

The new process to produce Fibrabon(R) 35 eliminates the use of methanol as a diluent in the polymerization process. This eliminates the emission of methanol to the environment in the paper production process as well as in Henkel's manufacturing plant.

The new process was developed at the Henkel Corp. Research Center at Ambler, Pa., as part of a program to find new environmentally sound production methods in the chemical process industry. "We at Henkel believe that our products and processes must be compatible with the strictest environmental safety considerations," said Dr. H. Steve Koenig, vice-president of Paper Chemicals.

Because of the great interest, Henkel Corp.'s Paper Chemicals Division, based in Charlotte, is helping customers adapt their operations to accept the new Fibrabon(R) 35.

Henkel provides the most extensive line of products for pulp, paper and paper coating operations. Bringing together the original Henkel and Nopco lines, Henkel Paper Chemicals represents about 250 chemical process aids for the industry.

Henkel Corp., the specialist in applied chemistry, provides the right chemicals and services to manufacturers in almost every industrial sector, to help them improve their products and ultimately serve customers better. Based in Gulph Mills, Pa., Henkel Corp. is the U.S. operating company of the Henkel Group, headquartered in Duesseldorf, Germany, and benefits from the parent company's worldwide resources in research, product and process development, and customer service. Worldwide, the Henkel Group has sales of about $7 billion.

CONTACT: Lee Linka of Henkel, 513-530-7333

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - CBS (NYSE: CBS) expects to report a loss

from continuing operations in the fourth quarter of 1990, compared to earnings of $60.1 million, or $2.33 per share, in the fourth quarter of 1989, the company will announce today at a meeting of the CBS Affiliate Advisory Board. CBS also will announce that full year earnings for 1991 are currently expected to decline in relation to 1990.

For the fourth quarter of 1990, CBS's predicted loss is attributable to losses incurred at the CBS Television Network due both to its broadcasts of Major League Baseball and to a slowdown in the growth of national television advertising. Losses on the network's coverage of Major League Baseball were higher than anticipated as the result of short, four-game contests in the American League Championship Series and the World Series, in conjunction with soft demand in the sports sales marketplace. Even without baseball, the soft advertising marketplace alone would have resulted in a loss for the network in the fourth quarter. The downturn in the national economy has dampened demand in the fourth quarter of 1990 for network, local television and radio advertising in relation to the first nine months of 1990. Network unit prices for advertising have been particularly soft for primetime and NFL broadcasts.

For 1991, CBS's earnings from continuing operations are currently expected to decline in comparison to the prior year, as the consequence of both the worsening economic climate for advertising and rising costs for entertainment programming and sports rights fees for continuing contracts. Moreover, the first six months of 1990 included the profitable coverage of the NFL Super Bowl and NBA playoffs and championship. CBS will not present these sporting events in 1991, resulting in unfavorable earnings comparisons to 1990. As a result, the CBS Television Network is currently expected to show an operating loss in 1991.

Laurence A. Tisch, CBS president and chief executive officer, commented on the company's financial outlook: "While pleased with our improved ranking in primetime ratings, the combination of slow national economic growth and the changing competitive environment is expected to affect adversely the financial results of the CBS/Broadcast Group in the coming year. But, these are not just short-term problems. It is now apparent that increased competition for both viewers and advertising dollars, combined with rapidly escalating programming costs, are changing the fundamental economics of network television."

CONTACT: Keith Fawcett of CBS, 212-975-6824

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#90323p8232 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLAND PARK, ILL. (NOV. 19) - Andrew Corp. (NASDAQ: ANDW) today reported that its sales for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, reached a record $366 million, a 21.2 percent increase over the previous year's sales of $301.9 million.

Net income for fiscal 1990 was the second highest in the company's history, reaching $18.2 million compared with $16.2 million last year, a 12.4 percent increase. Earnings per share for the year were $1.80 compared with $1.62, an 11.1 percent gain.

Orders for the year were $361.1 million compared with $322.8 last year, an 11.9 percent gain. Backlog to be shipped in the next 12 months was $111 million, up 1.9 percent from one year ago. Total backlog at Sept. 30, 1990, was $120.3 million, up 4.4 percent from last year.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, sales increased 16 percent to $103.5 million from $89.2 million. Net income improved 1.4 percent to $7.3 million from $7.2 million and earnings per common share were up 2.8 percent to $.73 from $.71.

Orders in the fourth quarter increased 35.4 percent to $100.7 million compared with $74.4 million.

Dr. Floyd L. English, president and chief executive officer, said, "We were pleased with the progress we made during fiscal 1990 especially in terms of sales. Continued strong sales of cellular products, the excellent acceptance of our networking products and the rapid development of our distributed communications systems for tunnels and metro-transportation markets were highlights of the year.

ANDREW CORP.
Income Statement
(Amounts in thousands, except per share)

Periods ended	Quarter		Year	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$103,489	$89,236	$365,990	$301,859
Income before taxes	11,923	11,627	29,611	26,186
Net income	7,251	7,158	18,161	16,235
Net income per share	$.73	$.71	$1.80	$1.62
Average shares outstanding	9,963	10,059	10,079	10,022

CONTACT: Charles R. Nicholas, vice president-finance of Andrew Corp., 708-349-3300

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#90323p8237 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - USX Corp. (NYSE: X) today announced preliminary results of the offer by its Marathon Oil Co. subsidiary to exchange new 9-3/4 percent guaranteed notes due 1990 for outstanding 9-1/2 percent guaranteed notes due 1994.

The company said that as of the close of business on Friday, Nov. 16, 1990, the expiration date of the offer, the approximate amount of 9-1/2 percent notes that had been tendered for exchange was $150 million.

This amount is subject to adjustment pending receipt of additional notes under broker guaranteed delivery procedures, verification of documentation and calculations, and other similar matters. The company indicated that the exchange offer would not be extended.

CONTACT: Don H. Herring of USX Corp., (412) 433-6870.

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#90323p8245 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Following release today of government data showing more than a two percent increase in the average housing sales price, the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) will raise the limit on the size of conventional mortgages it buys or securitizes to reflect the increase. As of Jan. 1, 1991, Fannie Mae's new limit on single-family mortgages will be $191,250. The current limit is $187,450.

The limits are adjusted annually according to a formula established by Congress in 1980. Changes are based on the national average sales price of homes on which mortgage loans closed during October from year-to-year. The data, which was released today, is collected in the Federal Housing Finance Board's monthly national survey of prices on homes financed with conventional mortgages.

Fannie Mae's multi-unit loan limits will increase to the following: two-family homes: $244,650; three-family homes: $295,650; and four-family residences: $367,500. The maximum loan amounts for Alaska and Hawaii are 50 percent higher than the new limits. The new loan limit for second mortgages is $95,625. In Alaska and Hawaii, second mortgage loans will be limited to $143,400.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company, and is the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

CONTACT: Tom Marder of Fannie Mae, (202) 752-7608.

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#90323p8248 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - PHP Healthcare Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: PHPH) announced today that it has been awarded a five year contract for $7,501,734.

The contract is for the providing of inpatient psychiatric services at

Fitzsimmons Army Medical Center in Denver.

PHP Healthcare is a diversified managed care company that specializes in building cost effective health delivery partnerships with govern-eut at the local, state and federal levels.

CONTACT: Charles H. Robbins, president and chairman, or Michael D. Starr, executive vice president, both of PHP Healthcare, Inc., 703-998-7808.

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#90323p8253 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP) today announced a management reorganization in response to the company's expanding refining, marketing, supply and transportation activities.

According to Dennis F. Juren, executive vice president, refining, marketing, supply and transportation, the changes will be phased in gradually to assure operational continuity.

Marketing Dan J. Hill is senior vice president, marketing, and will be responsible for all refined product marketing, excluding retail operations.

Jack C. Pester is senior vice president, retail marketing, and will be responsible for the Coastal Mart convenience stores, Coastal's branded dealer program and Coastal Unilube, Inc.

Hill's responsibilities include three geographic regions which will market petroleum products for all subsidiaries within these areas, except for petrochemical, commercial aviation jet fuel and LPG, which remain centralized.

The Northeast region is headed up by Frederick W. Taubert, who continues as president of Coastal Oil New York, Inc. and Coastal Oil New England, Inc. The Southeast region will be managed by Alberto N. Espino, who has been elected executive vice president of Coastal Fuels Marketing and president of Coastal Tug and Barge, Inc. The Mid- Continent region will be directed by Stephen C. Boyd, who has been elected senior vice president, Coastal Refining and Marketing, Inc.

M. Clay Chambers has been elected senior vice president, refined product supply and distribution, for Coastal Refining and Marketing, Inc. This function is responsible for domestic and Caribbean/Latin America refined product supply and distribution and trading activities. Chambers had been vice president, refining.

Refining Jack J. Lipinski had been elected vice president, refining, for Coastal's refining subsidiaries. He has responsibility for all domestic refineries and the company's Aruba refinery, and will direct the refining

economics and planning group. Lipinski had been vice president and general manager of Coastal Eagle Point Oil Company.

The Coastal Corporation is a Houston-based energy holding company. It has consolidated assets of $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal and chemicals and independent power production.

CONTACT: Barbara Johnson of Coastal, 713-877-3293

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#90323p8257 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - C. Stephen Thomas, 50, has been named vice president and general manager, Can Division, Reynolds Metals Company (NYSE: RLM), effective December 1, Jeremiah J. Sheehan, executive vice president, Consumer and Packaging Products, announced.

Mr. Thomas most recently served as vice president, operations, Can Division. He also served as vice president and general manager, Extrusion Division, and has had broad experience in information systems, purchasing, and materials management since joining Reynolds in 1963.

A graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute with a B.S. degree in mechanical engineering, Mr. Thomas succeeds Mr. Sheehan in the position.

Reynolds, which commercialized the all-aluminum can 27 years ago, is the only aluminum company to be integrated from the production and sale of can sheet, cans, and ends, through can- making equipment.

CONTACT: R. Terry Olbrysh of Reynolds Metals Company, 804-281-2965, or at home at 804-282-8764

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#90323p8261 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - SoftKey Software Products Inc. (NASDAQ: SKEYF; TSE: SSK) and New Jersey-based Management Dynamics, Inc. announced today that they have agreed to the terms of a merger to be effective Jan. 1, 1991. The merger will create a new systems integration division combining the operations of Insight Business Consultants and Management Dynamics, Inc. James Preuninger, Management Dynamics' president, will become C.E.O. of this new division.

The proposed merger is subject to regulatory approval and to the execution of a mutually acceptable merger agreement after a due diligence examination by the boards of SoftKey and Management Dynamics.

James Preuninger indicated that as a result of this merger, he has a mandate to create one of the largest and most profitable installation and support organizations for IBM's best selling mid-range computer, the AS/400. "We start with a base of $16,000,000 generated mainly in Canada and New Jersey. It is my intention to aggressively expand our business to all parts of North America. Our revenue target in 1993 is $75,000,000."

Management Dynamics and Insight are among the largest IBM agents in the North Eastern United States and Canada, respectively. The two companies are also the largest Pansophic software support organizations in North America.

Management Dynamics expect sales of close to $7,000,000 for the year ending Dec. 31, 1990. Pre-tax profit margins are estimated to be 37 percent. The agreement reached with SoftKey provides for Management Dynamics' shareholders to receive 6 times their pre-tax earnings in common shares of SoftKey valued at $4.10 Cdn.

Under the new structure, John Preuninger of Management Dynamics will assume day-to-day responsibility for New Jersey operations. Peter Hamilton of SoftKey will become responsible for the operations of Insight in Canada. Norman Lofts of SoftKey will work with James Preuninger on the company's expansion plans in the United States. Gary Huggins will assume new overall corporate duties in his capacity as vice-chairman of SoftKey.

When the merger becomes effective, the two shareholders of Management Dynamics will become directors of SoftKey. Shares issued to Management Dynamics' shareholders will become subject to a 3-year pooling agreement similar to an existing agreement presently in place at SoftKey.

CONTACT: Michael Perik, chairman of SoftKey, 416-360-4581.

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#90323p8265 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

KILLINGTON, VT (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of S-K-I Ltd. (NASDAQ: SKII) has declared a $.08 per share dividend for the fiscal year 1990 for stockholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990, payable Jan. 9, 1991. The dividend for fiscal 1989 was $.072 adjusted to reflect the five-for-four stock split accomplished in January 1990.

Preston Leete Smith, president and chief executive officer of S-K-I, said, "Although net income declined somewhat this year, we achieved the second-best cash flow in the company's history. The company continues to reinvest its cash in capital improvements and, consequently, our dividend remains relatively modest. Therefore, we consider it appropriate to make this increase."

Smith also noted that early indicators are quite strong for the upcoming ski

season. "Killington and Mount Snow in Vermont and Bear Mountain in California are all open for skiing and we are very pleased with business so far," Smith added.

Elected directors at the annual meeting of the company on Nov. 16 were Mary T. Sargent, Preston Leete Smith, Thomas C. Webb, and Martel D. Wilson Jr. Sargent, Smith and Wilson were re-elected, while Webb is new to the board. The new member of the board is currently president and chief executive officer of the Central Vermont Public Service Company in Rutland, Vt., and also serves as chairman of Vermont Nuclear Power Company. He is a director of Maine Yankee, Connecticut Yankee and Yankee Atomic.

Smith continued, "We are very pleased to welcome Tom to our board. He brings an extensive knowledge of finance and energy to our board, along with a long history of successful leadership with publicly held companies."

CONTACT: Larry Jensen of S-K-I Ltd., 802-422-3333, or Robert P. Jones of Morgen-Walke Associates, 212-986-5900, for S-K-I Ltd.

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#90323p8272 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Kenneth R. Leibler, president of Liberty Financial Companies, a leading financial services company with more than $22 billion in assets, today announced the formation of a new company dedicated to the distribution of securities and insurance products through the nation's largest banking institutions.

The new entity, to be called Liberty Distributors, Inc., with sales approaching $1 billion, will be created through the combination of two existing Liberty Financial-owned companies, PAMCO Group of Encino, Calif., and Liberty Securities Corporation of Boston. PAMCO, a major marketer of annuities and mutual funds through banks, was acquired by Liberty Financial in 1988.

Leibler pointed to the growing national role of banks in distributing financial products to their customer base.

Currently, Liberty Securities Corporation services more than 22 banking institutions in the Northeast, while PAMCO supports 30 banking clients throughout the rest of the nation. The client list of two companies includes Michigan National Bank, Great American Bank, San Francisco Federal, Bank Western, M&T Bank, and Anchor Savings Bank.

Liberty Distributors will be headed by two managing directors -- Ralph Nixon, president of Liberty Securities, and Allen Merritt, chief operating officer of PAMCO Group. Alan H. Blank, founder of PAMCO, will continue to focus his efforts in developing and maintaining client relationships and strategic

planning. The managing directors will report to John V. Murphy, senior vice president of Liberty Financial.

Liberty Financial Companies serves more than 340,000 individual and institutional investors worldwide. In addition to Liberty Distributors, other investment management and financial organizations within the Liberty Financial companies include Stein Roe & Farnham, Keystone Provident Life, Liberty Asset Management, and Liberty Investment Services. Liberty Financial is a wholly owned subsidiary of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, a major provider of insurance services to businesses and individuals.

CONTACT: Elliot Sloane of Ruder-Finn, 212-715-1541, for Liberty Financial Companies

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LONDON (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of Huntingdon International Holdings plc ("HIH" or "the company") is pleased to announce the acquisition of the whole of the issued share capital of Whiteley Holdings Ltd. ("Whiteley") for a consideration of pounds sterling 4.15 million.

Terms of the Acquisition The consideration will be satisfied at the closing by the issue of pds 3,972,169 of unsecured HIH loan notes, the issue of 40,000 new ordinary shares in HIH at a price of pds 2.40 per share and the payment of pds 81,831 in cash. The unsecured HIH loan notes will bear interest at the rate of 13 per cent per annum and will be repaid at par together with accrued interest on July 31, 1991. The new ordinary shares will rank pari passu in all respects with the existing ordinary shares of the company. Application has been made to the London Stock Exchange for the new ordinary shares to be admitted to the official list. It is expected that dealings in the new ordinary shares will commence on Nov. 20, 1990. In addition, the vendors are entitled to retain an interim dividend previously declared by Whiteley.

Information on Whiteley Whiteley is an engineering and design consultancy group supplying technical services to industry and the public sector with six U.K. offices in Humberside, Lincolnshire and East Anglia. In recent years it has developed specialist expertise in the environmental field related to water supply, effluent treatment and marine development.

In the year ended March 31, 1990, Whiteley achieved pre-tax profit of pds 0.42 million on a turnover of pds 2.46 million. The shareholders equity amounted to pds 1.05 million at March 31, 1990.

Reasons and Benefits of the Acquisition HIH has been planning to expand its engineering activities into Europe for some time. The recent increasing awareness of environmental issues in the United Kingdom and the improved regulatory framework established by the 1990 Environmental Protection Act have

provided the stimulus for this acquisition.

Whiteley is currently rated as the third fastest growing engineering consultancy in the U.K. according to New Civil Engineer, and HIH believes that its extensive experience in the environmental market, coupled with Whiteley's reputation, will position the company well for future expansion.

CONTACT: Jamie Carnwath of Huntingdon International Holdings plc, UK +44 480 433466; or Bennie C. Wooley of HIH USA Inc., 716-735-7056

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#90323p8278 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Continental Bank Corp. (NYSE: CBK) board of directors has declared a dividend of 25 cents per share on the corporation's common stock. The amount of this quarterly dividend has been the same since December 1989. The fourth-quarter dividend is payable on Dec. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 10. There are 49,687,323 shares of Continental common stock currently outstanding.

The board also declared a dividend of $1.0438 per share on the 1,788,000 outstanding shares of the corporation's adjustable rate preferred stock, Series 1. The $1,866,314.40 dividend for the fourth quarter is payable on Dec. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 10.

A dividend of $2.6124 per share was declared on the 3 million outstanding shares of the corporation's adjustable rate cumulative preferred stock, Series 2, equalling 65.31 cents for each depositary share. The $7,837,200 dividend is payable on Dec. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 10.

The board also declared a dividend of 31.25 cents per share on the corporation's junior perpetual convertible preference stock which is held solely by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC). The FDIC currently owns 3,263,810 shares of the preference stock, which convert to 4,079,762 shares of common stock upon transfer.

Continental Bank Corp. is a market-driven bank holding company devoted to serving corporations, institutional investors and individuals with complex financial requirements. Through its subsidiaries, the corporation arranges financing, makes markets, manages financial risk and processes cash and securities on behalf of its customers in key capital markets worldwide.

CONTACT: Edgar McDougal, 312-923-5200, or Ellen Barry, 312-923-5122, both of Continental Bank

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#90323p8282 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
GREENWICH, CT (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Lep Group plc (NASDAQ-NMS: LEPGY) announced that John Leach has resigned his position as managing director to pursue other interests.

Lep's ordinary shares trade in the form of ADRs on the NASDAQ National Market System.

CONTACT: William R. Berkley, 203-629-2880, or Peter W.S. Percival (in Epsom, England) 011-44-3727-29595, both for Lep Group.

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#90323p8285 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
WAKEFIELD, MA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Terry Vince today announced his retirement from DAKA International, Inc. (NASDAQ: DKAI) where he served as chairman and chief executive officer since orchestrating the formation of the company in 1988 through the merger of Fuddruckers, Inc., an international restaurant chain, and daka, Inc., one of the nation's largest contract food service companies. Vince founded daka, Inc. in 1973 and served as its president and chief executive officer prior to the merger with Fuddruckers.

Vince said he was pleased with the progress the company has made after the Fuddruckers/daka merger and, after working on the front lines of various food services organizations for the past 46 years, felt the time was right to retire from day-to-day management.

Vince will continue to sit on the company's board of directors, which unanimously named him chairman emeritus. He will also continue to assist the company in the areas of industry, client, and franchise relations.

Earlier this year, Vince was recognized for his contributions to the industry when he received the IFMA's Silver Plate Award as the 1990 Food Service Operator of the Year.

William H. Baumhauer, the company's president, was elected to succeed Vince as chairman and chief executive officer. Allen R. Maxwell, the company's executive vice president, was elected president and chief operating officer.

CONTACT: William H. Baumhauer, chairman and CEO, or Allen R. Maxwell, president and COO of DAKA International, (617) 246-2525.

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#90323p8290 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
HIGH POINT, NC (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Preferred Savings Bank, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PSLA), headquartered in High Point, North Carolina, today announced a loss of $281,244 or $0.15 per share for the quarter ended

September 30, 1990. This compares to loss of $869,000 or $.47 per share for the same period a year ago. Assets at September 30, 1990, were at $221.7 million with deposits at $170.1 million.

Preferred Savings Bank has full service branches in High Point, Greensboro, Burlington, Hickory, Charlotte and Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

CONTACT: Charles L. Huff, Jr., Preferred Savings Bank, Inc., 919-889-3132.

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#90323p8291 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - FFP Partners, L.P., (AMEX: FFP), announced a net loss of $566,000 ($0.15 per Class A and Class B Unit) for its third fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues for the quarter were $73,383,000.

Comparative data for the third quarter and year-to-date 1990 and 1989 are presented below:

FFP PARTNERS, L.P.
(In thousands, except per unit data
and number of units)

	Third Quarter		Nine Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total revenues(A)	$73,383	$51,387	$194,339	$153,419
Operating income(A)	209	1,219	1,228	2,786
Operating cash flow (net income plus depreciation and amortization)	692	1,468	3,287	4,196
Income/(Loss):				
From cont. operations(A)	(566)	636	(826)	1,064
From discontinued operations	--	(396)	360	(528)
Net income/(loss)	(566)	240	(466)	536
Income/(Loss) Per Class A and Class B Unit:				
From cont. operations(A)	$(0.15)	$0.17	$(0.22)	$0.29
From discont. operations	--	(0.10)	0.10	(0.14)
Net income/(loss)(A)	(0.15)	0.07	(0.12)	0.15
Weighted average number of Class A and Class B Units outstanding	3,585,222	3,650,000	3,610,317	3,650,000

(A) -- Nine-month amounts for 1989 include a $331,000 ($0.09 per unit) nonrecurring credit attributable to a redetermination of unemployment tax rates for prior years.

FFP Partners is a publicly-traded limited partnership which owns and operates

approximately 300 convenience stores, truck stops and self- service gasoline outlets in twelve central, southern and southwestern states. The company also engages in the sale of motor fuel on a wholesale basis to other motor fuel retailers and to commercial users of motor fuels. Its Class A Units are listed on the American Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Stephen B. Hawkins, vice president, finance & administration of FFP Partners, 817-831-0761

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#90323p8296 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON DE (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Wilmington Trust Co. (NASDAQ: WILM) has announced that it has received regulatory approval for its proposed acquisition of The Peoples Bank of Harrington, and that the transaction should be consummated by year-end.

A definitive agreement for Wilmington Trust's purchase of Peoples Bank of Harrington in a stock transaction was announced in April 1990, subject to approval by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC).

Peoples Bank is a state-chartered bank with assets of $45 million. Founded in 1905, the bank provides retail and commercial banking services primarily to customers in Kent County.

Wilmington Trust President Leonard W. Quill said the company was pleased to be in a position to conclude the Peoples Bank acquisition, which is part of the bank's plan for expanding services in southern Delaware.

Barry A. Breeding, President of Peoples Bank, said the acquisition will significantly enhance the scope of corporate as well as consumer services provided to customers in southern Delaware. In particular, he noted, Peoples customers will have access to Wilmington Trust's premier trust and investment management services.

In granting its approval, the FDIC considered a community group protest made under the Community Reinvestment Act and found Wilmington Trust to be in satisfactory compliance with the law.

CONTACT: Charles W. King of Wilmington Trust, 302-651-8069.

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#90323p8298 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The First Australia Prime Income Fund, Inc. (AMEX: FAX), a closed-end bond fund, today declared a regular monthly dividend of $0.09 per share, payable on Dec. 14, 1990 to all shareholders of record on Dec. 3, 1990.

This dividend is consistent with the policy adopted by the fund's board of directors on Oct. 24, 1988 of declaring a regular monthly dividend of $0.09 per share, which commenced in February 1989. Qualifying U.S. taxpayers are additionally entitled to a foreign withholding tax credit on this dividend, and will be informed as to the amount at a later date.

At the time of its offering in April 1986, The First Australia Prime Income Fund was the largest-ever initial public offering on the American Stock Exchange. The fund has net assets in excess of $1 billion. The fund's policy is to invest at least 65 percent of its portfolio in Australian issuers or debt securities rated AA or better.

The First Australia Prime Income Fund trades on the American Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange. The fund is advised by EquitiLink Australia Limited, the largest independent mutual fund manager in Australia. Devoting itself only to the business of fund management, the EquitiLink Group manages over $2.2 billion on behalf of over 240,000 investors worldwide.

CONTACT: Brian Sherman of The First Australia Prime Income Fund, 011-612-258-8222, or Marissa Moretti or George Arvantides of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for The First Australia Prime Income Fund.

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#90323p8302 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - In the spirit of the season, First Security Bank of Utah has joined the "Most Thoughtful Gift" program of American Express Gift Cheques to assist the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve in its 1990 "Toys for Tots" holiday campaign.

Toys for Tots gives new toys to needy children nationwide at holiday time. This year marks the 43rd year in which the program has brightened the lives of underprivileged youngsters. Children throughout the United States will receive up to 70,000 toys this year as a result of the program.

Everyone can participate in this worthwhile program by purchasing American Express Gift Cheques at First Security Bank of Utah between Nov. 23 and Dec. 31. For each purchase of Gift Cheques, American Express will donate a cuddly plush toy to the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program. American Express Gift Cheques come in $25, $50 and $100 denominations.

"We look forward to being a small part of Toys for Tots this holiday season," said Scott Nelson, chairman and chief executive officer of First Security Bank of Utah. "This is the time of year eagerly anticipated across the nation by little children, many of whom would face a bleak holiday season were it not for Toys for Tots."

CONTACT: Phil Hudson of First Security Bank of Utah, 801-350-5258.

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FORT WORTH, TX (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB Texas, Fort Worth, Texas, as trustee of the Permian Basin Royalty Trust, today declared a cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of $.070112 per unit, payable Dec. 14, 1990, to unit holders of record on Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Joe B. Grissom, vice president and trust officer of NCNB Texas, (817) 390-6905.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Crane Co. (NYSE: CR) today announced its regular fourth quarter dividend of 18-3/4 cents ($.1875) per share on common stock of the company, payable Dec. 14, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 4, 1990.

CONTACT: Public Relations Department of Crane Co., 212-415-7237, or 212-415-7239

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#90323p8311 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDISON, NJ (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - E&B Marine Inc. (NASDAQ: EBMI) today reported sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, of $21,208,000, a 4.9 percent decline, compared with the $22,299,000 recorded in the third quarter ended Oct. 1, 1989. The lower sales reflect an industry wide slowdown in new boat sales, and an increasingly competitive environment.

Net loss in the 1990 third quarter was $1,724,000 compared with net income of $58,000 in the third quarter of 1989. On a primary per-share basis, net loss for the quarter was $.14 per share compared with a net income of $.01 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990, were $74,691,000, a 3.5 percent decline, compared with the prior year's nine months sales of $77,405,000. Loss before taxes and extraordinary items for the nine months was $1,123,000 compared with a profit of $2,250,000 in the first nine months of 1989. The loss before extraordinary items was $1,123,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990, compared with income of $1,350,000 for the comparable 1989 period. The net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $1,123,000 compared with net income of $6,239,000 in 1989. Included in 1989 net income are extraordinary items of $4,765,000 for gain on restructuring of debt and $125,000 for a reduction in income taxes arising from the utilization

of net operating loss carryforwards.

On a per-share basis, the net loss before extraordinary items was $.09 per share compared with net income before extraordinary items of $.15 per share in 1989. Net loss per share after extraordinary items was $.09 compared with a net income of $.59 in 1989.

In addition, Ken Lever announced his resignation today as president and chief executive officer of E&B Marine Inc. Lever, 55, has served as E&B's chief executive officer since the company's financial restructuring in 1989.

The board announced the following new executive appointments, effective immediately.

Kenneth Peskin has become the chairman of the board and chief executive officer. Peskin, 51, was formerly the chairman and chief executive officer of Supermarkets General Corporation, where he was employed for 24 years in a variety of executive positions. He began his retail career as a buyer for Bloomingdales. He is a graduate of the Harvard Business School. It is anticipated that Peskin will become an investor in E&B.

Ronald E. Grove has become the president and chief operating officer. Grove formerly served a senior vice president of distribution and merchandising at Osco Drug, where he was employed since 1964. Grove is a graduate of Northwestern University.

As previously announced, Frank S. Fuino, Jr. has recently become senior vice president and chief financial officer for E&B, after having served in the same capacity in several retailers.

Richard Kroon, managing partner of the Sprout Group and president of DLJ Capital Corp., will become chairman of the board's executive committee.

E&B Marine Inc. is the nation's largest direct-mail merchandiser and specialty retailer of marine supplies and accessories with 50 retail outlets.

E&B MARINE INC.
Summary of Earnings

Three Months Ended	Sept. 29, 1990	Oct. 1, 1989
Net sales	$21,208,000	$22,299,000
Net Income (Loss):		
Before extraordinary items	$(1,564,000)(D)	$ 58,000(A)
After extraordinary items	$(1,724,000)(E)	$ 58,000(A)
Net Income (Loss) Per Common Share:		
Before extraordinary items	$(0.13)(D)	$0.01(A)
After extraordinary items	$(0.14)(E)	$0.01(A)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	11,921,000	13,643,000

Nine Months Ended	Sept. 29, 1990	Oct. 1, 1989
Net sales	$74,691,000	$77,405,000
Net Income (Loss):		
Before extraordinary items	$(1,123,000)	$ 1,350,000(B)
After extraordinary items	$(1,123,000)	$ 6,239,000(C)
Net Income (Loss) Per Common Share:		
Before extraordinary items	$(0.09)	$0.15(B)
After extraordinary items	$(0.09)	$0.59(C)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	11,908,000	11,026,000

(A) -- Net of taxes of $25,000. (B) -- Net of taxes of $900,000.
(C) -- Reflects $4,765,000 gain on restructuring of debt and $125,000 in the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards. (D) -- Net of tax benefits of $160,000.
(E) -- Reflects $160,000 reversal of net operating loss carryforwards.

CONTACT: Frank S. Fuino, Jr. of E&B Marine, 908-819-7400.

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#90323p8313 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Mattel Inc. (NYSE: MAT) has promoted John F. Thelen to vice president, compensation and benefits.

Formerly senior director-compensation and benefits, Thelen joined Mattel in 1986. He had previously served as director-compensation and employee benefits for Twentieth Century Fox Film Corp. Thelen's prior experience also includes senior human resources positions with both Continental and Western Airlines.

Thelen, 42, received a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Notre Dame in 1970, and a juris doctor degree from the University of Denver College of Law in 1973. He reports to Jack Sage, senior vice president-administration.

Mattel Inc., which reported revenues of $1.2 billion in 1989, is a worldwide leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of children's toys. With headquarters in Hawthorne, Calif., Mattel has offices and facilities in more than 20 foreign countries and sells its products in more than 100 nations throughout the world.

CONTACT: Ann-Marie Hennessey of Mattel Toys, 213-978-6386

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#90323p8322 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BASKING RIDGE, N.J. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) will provide U.S. military personnel stationed in Saudi Arabia free calls back to the states from November 20 to 27 to allow them to share Thanksgiving with friends and family.

Each service person in Saudi Arabia will be given the opportunity to make one three-minute AT&T USADirect (R) Service call during the seven- day period.

By dialing 1-800-100 from virtually any phone in Saudi Arabia or by using one of the special telephones AT&T has installed there, U.S. service people will be connected directly to an AT&T operator in the United States who can complete calls anywhere in the U.S., including Puerto Rico.

"Thanksgiving is a time for families to come together," said Frank Ianna, vice president international marketing. "A phone call is an important link to home. Providing free phone calls is AT&T's holiday gift to the service personnel in Saudi Arabia."

During a free call offer from AT&T in early October, military personnel placed 135,000 calls through USADirect Service to the United States. To accommodate the expected increase in volume, AT&T last week dramatically increased the number of circuits available for USADirect Service from Saudi Arabia.

Military personnel and travelers have found USADirect Service to be the best way to keep in touch with family and friends in the states. It is economical because calls are billed at AT&T rates and hotel surcharges are avoided and is convenient because calls are completed by AT&T operators in the United States. USADirect Service is available in more than 80 countries.

The free Thanksgiving USADirect Service is one part of AT&T's commitment to Americans stationed abroad. The company added $500,000 in August to its annual commitment of $1 million to support USO activities in the gulf such as recreational centers and tours, including one by Jay Leno this week. Since September, AT&T has transmitted more than 250,000 free facsimiles from friends and family to U.S. service personnel in the Middle East through its Desert Fax program.

Numbers to reach USADirect Service vary by country. In some countries, the service is available from specially designated telephones. For further information about USADirect Service, call 1-800-874-4000.

CONTACT: Rick Wallerstein, 201-953-7911, or at home: 201-771-9570,
or Dave Bikle, 201-953-7614, or at home: 201-871-0047, both of AT&T

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#90323p8324 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Broad Inc. (NYSE: BRO), a leading financial services company, today reported audited net income of $33.4 million or $1.02 per share for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, up from $26.1 million or $.80 per share for the 10 months of fiscal 1989.

Reflecting continued operating progress, the company reported fiscal 1990 net operating income (before net realized losses) of $52.8 million or $1.60 per share, up significantly from $33.1 million or $1.01 per share in fiscal 1989.

For its fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, net income rose to $9.5 million or $.29 per share from $8.3 million or $.25 per share the prior year.

Broad Inc. Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Eli Broad said that the company expects to report increases in both net operating results and net income for its 1991 fiscal year. Broad, who has purchased more than 550,000 shares of the company's stock this year and is its largest shareholder, says he is surprised by the recent weakness in the company's common stock, even give the general weakness in the securities of most companies in the financial services sector.

He noted that, at a time when the ratings agencies are downgrading others with great regularity, "investment grade" ratings have recently been reaffirmed for Broad Inc., SunAmerica and Sun Life Insurance Company of America.

Further, sales of SunAmerica products have been brisk. In 1990, the SunAmerica life companies produced a record $1.9 billion of premiums from the sale of popular fixed and variable annuities and guaranteed investment contracts (GICs), up sharply from the $853 million of premiums reported for the 1989 10-month year. They now rank among the top 10 issuers of individual annuities in the United States.

Broad Inc. used the marketing name "SunAmerica" to encompass its annuity, GIC, mutual fund, investment counseling, retirement trust and broker-dealer operations. The company finished its fiscal year with $11.3 billion of assets owned or under management, up from $7.0 billion at Sept. 30, 1989. At year-end, its book value was $9.98 per common share.

CONTACT: Jana Waring Greer of Broad Inc., 213-445-6532

-30- 2386

#90323p8326 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Freda Corp. (OTC), a manufacturer of an extensive variety of delicatessen luncheon meats, marketed throughout the continental United States, today reported gross revenues and net income for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 1, 1990.

Net income for the 14 weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990, was $575,166 or 32 cents per

share as compared with $64,807 or 4 cents per share for the 13 weeks ended Aug. 26, 1989, on 1,807,800 average shares outstanding in both periods. Fourth quarter gross revenues amounted to $18,938,981, an increase from $15,643,752 in the year-earlier period.

For the 53 weeks ended Sept. 1, 1990, net income was $763,148 or 42 cents per share as compared with $193,030 or 11 cents per share in the comparable 52-week period ended Aug. 26, 1989, on 1,807,800 average shares outstanding in both periods. Gross revenues amounted to $64,641,351, an increase from $59,121,730 in the year-earlier period.

The company's stock is traded over-the-counter.

CONTACT: A. Robert Mitchell of Freda, 215-336-6300

-30- 1245

#90323p8331 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - In a communique to all employees, Domtar (NYSE: DTC) President and Chief Executive Officer Pierre Desjardins announced today that the restructuring program initiated in the fall of 1989 would be continued further in order to improve effectiveness and financial performance.

"This difficult but necessary decision will result in the elimination, over the next few months, of some 300 positions across Domtar -- both in Canada and the United States," Desjardins said.

The special severance and early retirement programs developed last year will be continued and relocation assistance will be provided to terminated employees.

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-30- 854

#90323p8334 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Iroquois Brands, Ltd. (AMEX: IBL) (Iroquois) reported a net loss of $2.6 million or $1.17 per share for its second quarter ended June 30, 1990, on net sales of $4.3 million. These results compare with a net loss of $1.8 million or 95 cents per share for the second quarter of 1989.

For the six months ended June 30, 1990, Iroquois reported a net loss of $5.2 million or $2.34 per share, compared to a loss of $2.0 million or $1.20 per share for the first six months of 1989.

According to David C. Whipple, executive vice president, "the profits generated by Iroquois' operating businesses during the second quarter of 1990

continue to be insufficient to offset corporate financial responsibilities." During the quarter, Iroquois incurred interest and debt amortization expense related to its outstanding subordinated debentures of approximately $1.0 million. In addition to ongoing corporate expenses, the company also incurred significant legal, auditing and investment banking charges as part of its acquisition of Benzole (UK) Limited which was completed on May 11, 1990.

On Sept. 17, 1990, Iroquois announced that it was unable to meet its sinking fund requirement pursuant to the terms of its subordinated debentures. Iroquois also failed to meet its semiannual interest payment on the debentures due on Sept. 15, 1990. Iroquois' external auditors noted in their report on Iroquois' 1989 financial statements that the requirements to make these payments, combined with certain other obligations of the company, raised doubt about Iroquois' ability to continue as a going concern without restructuring of the company debt. Iroquois management continues to explore all avenues to resolve matters associated with the subordinated debenture in the best interest of all concerned parties.

CONTACT: David C. Whipple, executive vice president of Iroquois Brands, 713-320-8593

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#90323p8335 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The B.F.Goodrich Company (NYSE: GR) and Norsk Hydro a.s today announced that they have agreed to negotiate the formation of a joint venture to provide specialized compounds to the European market.

The joint venture, proposed to be called Hydro Goodrich, will market specialized vinyl-based injection molding compounds for use in markets serviced by flame retarded engineering thermoplastics, targeting such applications as business equipment components, appliance parts and telecommunications equipment. The joint venture will have complete capabilities for customer and technical service and for applications development.

The new venture represents the pairing of two strong and complementary organizations, giving both BFGoodrich and Norsk Hydro the ability to improve responsiveness to customer needs and to provide advanced technology to a broader base of plastics processors. The venture will market BFGoodrich's Geon(R) CIM vinyl compounds and Hydro Polymers' Vinakon(R) product range. Hydro Polymers, a subsidiary of Norsk Hydro a.s located in Newton-Aycliffe in northeast England, will provide the joint venture with manufacturing facilities and services and a technical center for formulation and applications development.

The formation of the joint venture is subject to the negotiation of definitive

contracts between the two companies and approval by their respective boards of directors.

BFGoodrich, based in Akron, Ohio, U.S.A., is a major North American manufacturer of vinyl resins and compounds. The company also produces specialty chemical products and provides components and services to the aerospace industry. Total sales for 1989 were $2.4 billion.

Norsk Hydro a.s is a multinational industrial group, headquartered in Norway. It produces fertilizers and other agricultural products, specialty metals, industrial chemicals, oil and gas and plastics. Sales were NOK 66.3 billion (U.S. $11.48 billion) in 1989.

CONTACT: Liz Smith of The B.F.Goodrich Company, Geon Vinyl Division, 216-447-6524

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#90323p8345 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Gradco Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: GRCO) announced today the results of operations for the three month and six month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990. Gradco, which has had a change in management as a result of a change in control of the board of directors occurring at its annual meeting held on Oct. 12, 1990, reported a net loss of $23,610,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and of $8,092,000 for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Included in the results for the six month period was the gain of $18,823,000 from the sale of an interest in Gradco's Japanese subsidiary previously reported in the first quarter of the year.

The loss for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, included writeoffs of $20,763,000, consisting of writeoffs of goodwill in the amount of $10,007,000, inventory of $7,000,000, tooling and software design costs of $2,573,000 and other costs of $1,183,000. Operating losses exclusive of non-recurring charges for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, after taxes were approximately $2,500,000. The loss per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $3.11 and for the six month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $1.07.

Since Sept. 30, 1990, the company has succeeded in reducing expenses of operations including costs of research and development, selling, general and administrative expenses, and manufacturing costs. The writeoffs of assets has increased the company's retained earning deficit and leaves the company with a net worth of approximately $13,000,000. New management is continuing its efforts to decrease the company's costs and is concentrating its sales activities in profitable areas in an effort to restore profitability to its operations. The company's Japanese subsidiary, which is engaged in the copier business, continues to operate its business successfully.

GRADCO SYSTEMS INC.
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended Sept. 30		Six months ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues:				
Net sales	$18,455	$24,278	$37,821	$47,548
Research & development	939	944	1,765	1,990
Licenses & royalties	197	200	297	475
Total	$19,591	$25,422	$39,883	$50,013
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of sales	14,101	17,183	28,843	34,303
Research & development	1,853	1,786	3,908	3,437
Selling, general & administrative	5,943	4,209	10,466	8,328
Interest expense	420	906	1,166	1,757
Interest income	(225)	(119)	(342)	(258)
Gain on sale of subsidiary stock	---	---	(18,823)	---
Non-recurring charges	20,763	1,000	20,763	1,000
Total	$42,855	$24,965	$45,981	$48,567
Earnings before income taxes and minority interest	(23,264)	457	(6,098)	1,446
Income tax expense	230	545	1,745	1,282
Minority interest	116	18	249	47
Net earnings (loss)	($23,610)	($106)	($8,092)	$117
Earnings per common share:				
Net earnings (loss)	($3.11)	($0.01)	($1.07)	$0.02
Weighted average shares outstanding (000s)	7,599	6,529	7,588	6,510

CONTACT: David J. Harshman, general counsel of Gradco Systems Inc., 714-770-1223

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Rochester Telephone Corp. (NYSE: RTC) announced today that its Telecommunications Group has signed a definitive agreement to purchase the assets of the Burlington Telephone Company of Burlington, Vt., which provides long distance services in New England and

Canada.

Doing business as Long Distance North, Burlington Tel serves primarily business customers in Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine and western Massachusetts.

A Canadian affiliate, ETI Econo Telecom International, Inc., doing business as LDN Communications, serves the Montreal metropolitan area.

The Telecommunications Group also plans to acquire Long Distance North of New Hampshire, Inc., another affiliate of Burlington Tel, as part of the transaction.

Rochester Tel's Telecommunications Group (RTTG) operates RCI Long Distance, a regional interexchange carrier with customers throughout the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Region. Its newtork stretches from Boston to Cleveland, and south to Washington, D.C. Through the National Telecommunications Network, a joint venture of regional carriers, RCI also has access to more than 175 major cities across the country.

Under the agreement, Long Distance North will be operated as a subsidiary of RTTG. Current plans are to merge the Canadian operation of LDN with RCI Long Distance Canada Ltd.

Long Distance North has switching centers in Burlington and Machester, N.H., and its revenues in 1989 exceeded $13 million.

Rochester Tel's Telecommunications Group operates RCI, Rotelcom Network Systems, which provides competitive telecommunications equipment and services, and Rochester Tel Cellular Holding Corp., which manages its cellular operations.

Rochester Telephone Corp., the parent company, is based in Rochester, N.Y. Its Telephone Group serves more than 500,000 customers in 13 states.

CONTACT: James G. Dole, 716-777-8490, or Lawrence Howe, 716-777-7072, both of Rochester Telephone

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#90323p8351 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWALK, CT (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Evaluation Associates Investment Management Company (EAIMC) announced the recent introduction of an innovative Short Government Income Fund designed to produce high income while preserving capital. A blend of complementary mortgage-backed securities, the fund produced a 9.50 percent annualized yield in October, and a 2.64 percent total return since changing the fund's advisor in early September. To date, 11 banks and a number of registered investment advisors are utilizing the fund.

"In response to equity market uncertainty and growing concern over the quality of GIC and money market instruments, EAIMC has created a fund combining the safety of U.S. Treasury and agency securities with the relative price stability of a Treasury bill -- a combination previously unavailable to investors," said Robert Watson, president of EAIMC. "Originally projected to produce a yield of between 125 to 200 basis points above comparable maturity Treasuries and money markets, the fund so far has outperformed our projections."

Hyperion Capital Management, mortgage specialists, is advisor to the fund, and assisted in its creation. Hyperion chairman, Lew Ranieri, formerly vice chairman of Salomon Brothers, Inc., is generally credited as being the "father " of the secondary mortgage market.

"Although the mortgage segment represents 28 percent of the fixed income market and is second only to the U.S. Treasury market in size and liquidity, it has remained relatively untapped thus far," Watson said. "Our Short Government Income Fund sets a new standard for short- term investments."

Tom Welch, president of Minneapolis-based Resource Bank, which is offering the fund to its clients, said, "This fund allows us to take the cash in our portfolio and invest it for our clients in a vehicle which offers more safety and less volatility than longer term investments do right now. Like other EAIMC funds, the fund gives our clients access to specialized management combining a level of expertise, data access and analytical support usually available to only the largest, most sophisticated institutional investors. The fund has added value to the portfolios of our current clients and creates a competitive advantage for our business development staff."

Established in 1983, EAIMC is an investment management company which provides a series of mutual funds utilizing multiple managers selected and monitored with the assistance of its consultants, Evaluation Associates. The funds are all no-load and are available only through professional intermediaries, such as registered investment advisors and bank trust departments, on an advisory fee basis. EAIMC's funds, and its affiliated funds, are valued at approximately $1.4 billion.

CONTACT: Christina Pagano of Christina Pagano Public Relations, 212-724-0974, for Evaluation Associates Investment Management Co.

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#90323p8361 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAYNE, NJ (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - GND Holdings Corporation, the indirect parent of The Grand Union Company, one of the nation's largest retail food chains, today announced a 19.5 percent increase in operating cash flow (EBDIAT-earnings before LIFO provision, depreciation and amortization, unusual items, interest and income taxes) for its 12-week second quarter ended Oct. 13

1990. For the first 28 weeks of fiscal 1990, operating cash flow rose to $104.5 million from $89.6 million in fiscal 1989, a 16.6 percent increase.

EBDIAT totaled $47.8 million for the quarter, a 19.5 percent increase over EBDIAT of $40 million for the same period of the prior year. EBDIAT as a percentage of sales was 6.85 percent in the second quarter, compared to 5.94 percent for the same period last year. Earnings before interest, taxes and unusual items (EBIT) totaled $27 million for the quarter, a 28 percent increase over EBIT of $21.1 million in the same period last year. The company's continuing improvement in EBDIAT and EBIT resulted in part from efficiencies as the result of the opening of a new 59,000-square-foot frozen food distribution center in Chester, N.Y., improved buying and merchandising programs and rigid control of all expenses.

Sales for the second quarter were $698 million, a 3.6 percent increase over sales of $674 million in the prior year. Sales for the first 28 weeks of fiscal 1990 were $1.62 billion, a 2.5 percent increase over sales of $1.58 billion during the first 28 weeks of fiscal 1989. Sales in stores which were operated during the same periods in both years increased 1.8 percent.

On July 31, McCaig noted, Grand Union entered into an agreement to lease 13 former P&C Food Markets in Vermont and New Hampshire. The company is now operating those stores as Grand Union stores. At the same time, a total of five Grand Union stores were sold to satisfy certain conditions imposed by state and federal anti-trust authorities related to last year's acquisition of the company.

Grand Union currently operates 307 food stores under the Grand Union and Big Star trade names in eight Eastern states. GND Holdings is owned jointly by affiliates of Miller Tabak Hirsch + Co., including The Penn Traffic Company; Salomon Brothers Holding Company and members of Grand Union management.

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#90323p8364 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - John N. Blackman Jr., chairman of NYMAGIC, Inc. (NASDAQ: NYMG), today announced a change in the makeup of the four insurance pools in which NYMAGIC's insurance subsidiaries participate.

Effective Jan. 1, 1991, NYMAGIC's subsidiary, New York Marine and General Insurance Company will take a 69.70 percent interest in all ocean marine, inland marine and aviation business written by the pools. New York Marine will take a 89.70 percent interest in all casualty and reinsurance business written by the pools.

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#90323p8366 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Financial Services, Inc., announced today that its instant Money Transfer Service will be available for money transfers between the United States and the Republic of Ireland, starting Dec. 1. Funds transferred to Ireland from any Western Union location in the United States can be paid out within ten minutes.

"With Western Union's Instant Money Transfer service, sending money to Ireland is now easier, faster and more efficient than any other method, including bank-to-bank transfers or by using international money orders, which take longer and can be much more costly," said Marcus Cudina, vice president -- Worldwide Development, Western Union Financial Services, Inc.

"Western Union is the safest and most convenient way of sending money to family and loved ones, or for business activities in Ireland," he added.

"Our service is ideal for sending cash to anyone travelling in Ireland on vacation or for business, or for foreign nationals who work in the United States and need to send money abroad," Cudina said. "More than 40 million Americans claim Irish heritage," he added.

Western Union's instant Money Transfer service to the Republic of Ireland is conducted through the Foreign Exchange Company of Ireland, Ltd.

"Initially, our service is being provided through 30 agent locations in the Republic of Ireland. The service will be extended during 1991 to approximately 350 agent locations in all 26 counties of the Irish Republic," said Cudina.

"By extending the list of countries to which Western Union provides its international instant Money Transfer service, and avoiding third- party surcharges, we can offer our overseas service at the same price as domestic U.S. transfers," he added.

Western Union has more than 16,000 Money Transfer agent locations in the United States. Overseas, Western Union provides instant service in Canada, the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, France, Haiti, the Dominican Republic, Jamaica and the Philippines. In addition, under third-party arrangements, funds may be transferred via Western Union to 57 countries within one to three days.

Western Union Financial Services, Inc., a separate, wholly owned subsidiary of Western Union Corporation (NYSE: WU), provides a broad range of financial and messaging services to consumers and businesses. Its principal offerings are Western Union Money Transfer service, Western Union Quick Cash (TM), Western

Union Quick Collect(R), and Easy Pay(TM) bill payment services, and Western Union Mailgram(R), Telegram and Cablegram message services for individual consumers.

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#90323p8369 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUGUSTA, GA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Merry Land & Investment Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: MERY) has declared a cash dividend in the amount of $.10 per share to be paid Dec. 31 to shareholders of record of Dec. 14.

Merry Land is a real estate investment trust headquartered in Augusta, Ga.

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#90323p8370 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Nov. 16, 1990.

All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields (30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago
Conventional			
15-Year FRM	9.42	9.65	9.28
30-Year FRM	9.79	10.03	9.56
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	10.04	10.28	9.81
10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.			
Second Mortgages	9.420	9.550	9.460

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term) Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	8.60	8.70	9.05	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	8.85	8.95	9.30	2.000 pct.
1 pct. 6 mos(A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	7.55	7.65	8.00	2.250 pct.
(COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	7.65	7.75	8.05	2.125 pct.

(A) Rate reduction. (B) 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM. Lower yields

are available for 15-year term ARMs. LIBOR Index Series Release Date
1-month 3-Month 6-Month 12-Month October 30, 1990 7.938 8.063
8.063 8.063 September 27, 1990 8.297 8.375 8.422 8.500

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 11/16/90	Year to Date(C)	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(D)	573.8	20,543.9	20,287.9
Purchases	628.3	20,596.3	18,297.0
MBS Issued	1,901.0	85,446.2	55,733.3

(C) Adjusted for October Actuals. (D) Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

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#90323p8375 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLAINE, MN (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - APA Optics, Inc. (NASDAQ: APAT) today released its financial results for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Operating revenues for the second quarter increased 11 percent over the same period of the prior year, and increased 23 percent over the first quarter of this fiscal year. Second quarter operating results show a profit of $4,593 as compared to a profit of $13,876 from the same quarter last year.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, APA is reporting a loss of $(65,846) after interest and taxes, as compared to a six month loss of $(4,732) for the first half of fiscal 1990. The increased losses are mainly due to the increase in depreciation expense incurred from the purchase of equipment and the recent facilities expansion. Contributing to the loss is an interest expense of $29,457. Administrative costs are level from last year.

The company has increased its equipment and facilities by almost $2 million from the same period last year, to help support the manufacturing of optoelectronic products. This acquisition is part of the company's long-range expansion initiated in 1988.

APA continued research work on seven Phase I SBIR contracts, 5 Phase II SBIR contracts during the second quarter. The company also negotiated a $744,500 competitive contract with the Air Force entitled "AlGaN Quantum Well Based Solid State Photomultiplier for Infrared Detection" during the second quarter. This research will provide further experience for APA in the development of AlGaN-based products.

APA Optics is a high technology company engaged in the design and fabrication of precision quality optical systems, holographic optics and innovative

optoelectronic devices.

CONTACT: James M. Garrison of APA Optics, 612-784-4995

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#90323p8376 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD, IL (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Baxter's (NYSE: BAX) board of directors today declared regular quarterly dividend No. 222 of 16 cents per share on the company's common stock. The dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 12, 1990.

The board also declared regular quarterly dividend No. 21 of 94.375 cents per share on the company's adjustable rate preferred stock (NYSE: BAXPRA). The dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 12, 1990.

The board also voted to promote five Baxter executives to corporate vice presidents and officers of the corporation. They are Ronald H. Abrahams, quality assurance/regulatory affairs; Gary L. Cooper, Hospital Supply Division; Robert G. Funari, Pharmaseal Division; Donald W. Joseph, Renal Division, and Lester B. Knight, I.V. Systems Division. In addition, corporate officer and treasurer Barbara Young Morris was given the additional title of corporate vice president.

The board voted to promote five corporate vice presidents to group vice presidents. They are Manuel A. Baez, Latin America/Spain/Italy; Charles H. Blanchard, Caremark; James G. Connelly, hospital sales and distribution; Michael S. Estes, medical specialty devices, and Tony L. White, diagnostics.

Baxter International Inc. is the leading manufacturer and marketer of health-care products, systems and services. It offers 120,000 products to health-care providers in more than 100 countries. The company had 1989 revenues of $7.4 billion.

CONTACT: Les Jacobson of Baxter, (708) 948-4555.

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#90323p8377 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

EXTON, PA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Chemical Leaman Corp. (NASDAQ: CLEA), whose subsidiaries include Chemical Leaman Tank Lines Inc. and NuBulk Services Inc., reported today net income of $112,110 or 13 cents per share, compared with a loss of $175,721 or 20 cents per share in the prior year's quarter.

Revenue declined, however, from $58,517,379 to $57,216,621. For the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were down slightly to $175,834,846 from $176,258,264. Net earnings declined to $362,924 or 41 cents per share, from $889,381 or 94 cents per share in the nine months of 1989.

Chemical Leaman President David R. Hamilton reported that these results reflect a continued softness in demand for transportation services in the chemical process industries, causing some pressure on freight rate levels. The company, however, has been able to recover higher fuel costs through the assessment of fuel surcharges.

Chemical Leaman Corp. is a Fortune 500 service company and the nation's largest bulk commodity distribution company that provides transportation of liquid, dry and gaseous bulk commodities; tank container hauling and maintenance; cleaning services for industrial transportation equipment and technical assistance in handling commodities in bulk. Its services are available in 49 states, Canada and Mexico.

CHEMICAL LEAMAN CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Three months ended	Sept. 30, 1990	Oct. 1, 1989
Operating revenue	$57,216,621	$58,517,379
Net earnings (loss)	112,110	(175,721)
Net earnings (loss) per share	$.13	($.20)
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	895,665	899,165

Nine months ended	Sept. 30, 1990	Oct. 1, 1989
Operating revenue	$175,834,846	$176,258,264
Net earnings	362,924	889,381
Net earnings per share	$.41	$.94
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	895,778	941,920

CONTACT: Charles E. Fernald Jr., senior vp-finance of Chemical Leaman, 215-363-4215.

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#90323p8378 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MAUMEE, OH (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Trinova Corporation (NYSE: TNV) announced today that its Vickers, Incorporated subsidiary has sold the businesses of its Statesville, N.C., and Hof, Germany, facilities to subsidiaries of Garphyttan Industrier AB, Norsborg, Sweden. Statesville was sold to John S. Barnes Corporation, Rockford, Ill., and Hof was sold to John S. Barnes GmbH, Dusseldorf, Germany.

The facilities produce hydraulic gear pumps, gerotor pumps, gear motors, and related products for the off-highway, mobile equipment and industrial markets.

Darryl F. Allen, Trinova president and chief executive officer, said, "The

sale of these businesses is the result of Vickers' increased emphasis on expanding its core product lines. The divestiture is in line with the direction mapped out by Vickers' strategic architecture in power and motion control.

"Statesville and Hof are fine operations with dedicated work forces. However, we believe their full potential can best be realized through an owner whose long-term focus is more in line with their product offerings. John S. Barnes is such a company, and the strong strategic fit should be positive for the operations' customers." The Statesville and Hof operations employ approximately 350 people.

"Through Vickers and Aeroquip Corporation, Trinova supplies an extensive line of power and motion control products including fluid connectors, piston and vane pumps, hydraulic and electric motors, electric drives, and hydraulic and electronic controls," Allen said. "We continue to focus on the manufacture and distribution of engineered components and systems for worldwide industrial, transportation and aerospace/defense markets."

Trinova's power and motion control business, represented by Vickers and Aeroquip, reported 1989 sales of $1.58 billion. Trinova reported 1989 sales of $1.94 billion.

Trinova - through Aeroquip Corporation and Vickers, Incorporated - supplies power and motion control systems and components and custom-engineered plastic products to the industrial, transportation and aerospace/defense markets.

CONTACT: Warren N. Bimblick of Trinova, (419) 867-2290.

-30- 2366

#90323p8384 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILPITAS, CALIF. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - For the first time ever, consumers can now rent and buy Tengen video games for the Nintendo Entertainment System (NES), Sega Genesis System and NEC TurboGrafx at neighborhood video rental stores.

In the past, consumers have been able to rent but not purchase video games at video rental stores. Now consumers can sample all Tengen games through rental and not have to go to another retail outlet to purchase the game. In addition, all Tengen video games, such as the popular "Ms. Pac-Man," "R.B.I. Baseball 2," "Skull & Crossbones" and "Klax," are subject to a $5 consumer rebate through Jan. 31.

"We see ourselves as an integral part of the video entertainment industry," said Ted Hoff, senior vice president of sales and marketing for Tengen. "It makes sense to offer consumers any type of video product they want at a video rental store: movies, music, or games. And, just like other videos, once

consumers have sampled our products, they can buy them at the video rental stores and feel they have made an educated purchasing decision."

Hoff also feels the $5 consumer rebate program is an attractive holiday gift consideration for today's cost-conscious consumers. "Many video games today can cost from $40-60 without consumers having the benefit of knowing whether they like the games," continued Hoff. "Because all Tengen games are home versions of popular arcade games, consumers know they're of the highest quality. The $5 rebate makes a Tengen video game a smart purchase."

Tengen Inc. publishes more than 20 titles for all home video game systems. Tengen products are sold through quality retail chains, specialty stores, and more than 40,000 video rental stores nationwide.

Tengen Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Atari Games Corp. and is headquartered at 1623 Buckeye Dr., Milpitas, Calif., 95035; 408-473-9400. Atari Games is a privately held company, is not affiliated with Atari Corp., and should be referred to as Atari Games.

CONTACT: Sherri Snelling or David Ellis of Rogers & Associates, 213-552-6922, for Tengen Inc.

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#90323p8387 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE SUCCESS, NY (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Care Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: CARE), which through its subsidiaries provides specialized home health care services primarily to patients with AIDS, today reported record level revenues for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

On a consolidated basis, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, operating revenues were $9,015,668, a 31.5 percent increase over $6,851,609 for the same period in 1989. Operating revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $2,971,707, a 31.5 percent increase over $2,258,742 for the same period in 1989.

Net income for the nine months and three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $427,516 (14 cents per share) and $118,018 (4 cents per share), based upon 3,198,009 and 3,236,708 weighted average number of shares outstanding, respectively. Net income for the same period in 1989 was $537,563 (29 cents per share) and $133,184 (5 cents per share) based upon 1,964,377 and 2,533,696 shares outstanding.

Ann Mittasch, president, indicated that the strong growth in revenues was caused by increased patient workload. The decline in net income was caused by the continued expansion of new offices in Long Island, N.Y., and Fort Lauderdale, Fla., to meet the needs of AIDS patients in these regions. Also general and administrative expenses have increased in order to support the

additional offices as well as the increase patient volume throughout the company.

THE CARE GROUP, INC.

Periods ended	Quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,971,707	$2,258,742	$9,015,668	$6,851,609
Net income	118,018	133,184	427,516	573,563
Earnings per share	$.04	$.05	$.14	$.29
Weighted average number of common shares	3,236,708	2,533,696	3,198,009	1,964,377

CONTACT: Gilda Schechter of The Care Group, 516-869-8383.

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#90323p8388 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (OCT. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Varity Corporation (NYSE: VAT) hopes an estimated 18,000 investors who hold less than 100 common shares as of Nov. 16, 1990 will accept the company's offer to pay brokerage fees if they participate in a small shareholder selling program announced today.

Varity said the program is commencing today (Monday, Nov. 19) and will continue to Jan. 31, 1991, although the company could extend it.

The company described the program as an attempt to economize on the costs of shareholder service. Holders of odd lots (less than 100 shares) constitute approximately 20 percent of its common shareholder constituency while owning less than 0.5 percent of total common shares outstanding. All shareholders receive the company's annual and quarterly reports and other corporate proxy solicitation material.

Brochures describing the program are being mailed to shareholders this week and the contact for the program is the company secretary, who may be reached by telephone at 416-593-3776. Under the program, which has been approved by The Toronto Stock Exchange, holders of odd lots will submit their shares to the company's agent which will subsequently sell the shares in board lots (100 shares and over). Sellers will receive the market price for their shares, and the company will absorb brokerage charges.

CONTACT: J. R. Nowling of Varity, 416-593-3773

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#90323p8394 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEVERLY HILLS, CA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Pathe Communications Corp. (NYSE: PCC) today reported substantially improved results for the third quarter and nine months of 1990.

The company had a net loss of $2.9 million, or $.05 per share, for the 39-week period ended Sept. 29, 1990, compared with a net loss of $54.6 million, or $2.97 per share, in the prior year period. The loss before extraordinary items was $21.4 million, or $.36 per share, compared with a loss before extraordinary items of $80.9 million, or $4.40 per share, a year earlier. Nine month revenues were $214.8 million versus $276.1 million in the same period last year. Year-to-year revenue comparisons paralleled the reductions in operating costs and expenses.

Results for the 1990 period included extraordinary gains of $11.8 million due to the utilization of certain foreign tax loss carryforwards and $6.6 million from the company's early extinguishment of subordinated debt. In the prior year period, an extraordinary gain of $26.3 million was recognized on early extinguishment of debt.

For the 13 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990, the company incurred a net loss of $22.5 million, or $.38 per share, compared with a net loss of $37.7 million, or $1.45 per share, in the prior year period. Revenues for the third quarter were $73.9 million vs. $105.5 million in the same period last year.

The decline in revenues for the 1990 periods was attributable primarily to fewer motion pictures in release by the company. This was due to the timing of a series of films for release that only began in the third quarter.

As previously announced, Pathe completed the $1.36 billion merger of MGM/UA Communications subsequent to the end of the quarter on Nov. 1, 1990.

The previously announced sale and leaseback of certain European theater and office building assets that were negotiated in 1989 resulted in a gain of $54.1 million recognized in the first nine months of 1990.

Net interest expense declined for the nine months of 1990 from a year earlier due to increase capitalized interest on more film production and significantly lower subordinated debt balances. The prior year periods also reflected $13.3 million in non-operating settlement expenses with a former officer.

Pathe and MGM/UA are one of the world's largest producers, distributors, and exhibitors of motion pictures. The company also distributes motion pictures for commercial television and home video markets.

CONTACT: Craig A. Parsons of Rifkind, Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Pathe Communications Corp.

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#90323p8395 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW HYDE PARK, NY (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Bamberger Polymers, Inc. (AMEX:

BPI) today announced that its sales and net income achieved record levels for the month of October due to major growth in its European and International divisions.

The company announced that in the month of October it made up the losses it had suffered earlier in the year, and net income for the 10 months is now profitable.

Fred Garcia, president of Bamberger stated that: "European sales have been running more than 100 percent ahead for September and October, and are anticipated to be sharply ahead for the balance of the year."

The company is optimistic that the balance of the year will reflect further gain in earnings.

Bamberger Polymers is an international plastics merchant involved in compounding, distribution and sales of thermoplastic resins, the raw materials for a broad range of plastic products.

CONTACT: David S. Lawi of Bamberger Polymers, 203-629-1400

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#90323p8398 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - George M. Steinbrenner, chairman of the board of directors, announced today that Alan B. Nierenberg, 36, will join The American Ship Building Company (NYSE: ABG) as its president, chief operating officer and as a member of the board of directors. Steinbrenner has been performing the duties of the president since November 1988, when the former president resigned.

Nierenberg comes to American Ship from Avondale Industries, Inc., New Orleans, where he had served in numerous executive positions for the last 15 years including his most recent assignment as vice president and manager of Avondale's Shipyards Division. During his career, he has been heavily involved in multiple facets of shipyard management, vessel design and U.S. Navy commercial ship construction.

Steinbrenner stated: "We are extremely pleased to have a young man with Mr. Nierenberg's talent join our company. In this business you don't often find someone with such a broad range of experience and responsibility. He is going to be a tremendous asset and will furnish the company with outstanding leadership in the years to come."

Nierenberg, a native of New York, holds a master of engineering degree from Tulane University in New Orleans and a bachelor of engineering degree from the State University of New York Maritime College at Fort Schuyler. He is married to the former Jean Ann Choppin of Baton Rouge, La. and they have two children,

Natalie Elizabeth, 11, and David Wilson, 8. The family will be relocating to the Tampa area from New Orleans.

The American Ship Building Company is a major independent ship construction, conversion and repair business. It has the largest ship repair and construction facilites in Florida and is one of the major barge builders on the inland waterways.

CONTACT: Philip A. McNiff of The American Ship Building Company, 813-281-0330

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#90323p8399 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, NJ (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - UJB Financial Corp. (NYSE: UJB) has announced that beginning January 1991, it will be offering to individual customers of United Jersey banks, electronic tax filing. The service will be provided through an independent vendor, Electronic Filing Centers (EFC) of Farmingdale, N.Y.

UJB Financial is the first financial institution in New Jersey to provide, statewide, electronic tax filing of federal returns. This service has several advantages over traditional mail-in filing. First, customers, due refunds, can receive their tax refunds within an average of two to three weeks (manual processing takes a minimum of six to eight weeks). Secondly, the refund will be automatically deposited to the customer's United Jersey bank account, eliminating lost or stolen refund checks. Finally, EFC checks the return for eligibility, completeness and mathematical errors.

Branch offices will collect customer returns, which will be sent to EFC on a daily basis. EFC will file the returns electronically with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The fee for the service is $35.

The IRS estimates about nine million tax returns will be filed electronically this year and by 1994, that number will reach over 35 million," said Charles Maraziti, senior vice president, product development for UJB Financial. "In response to this consumer demand, we have joined with EFC to provide this valuable service through the convenience of the United Jerseys branch network."

United Jersey banks are member banks of UJB Financial Corp., the $13.6 billion financial services organization with over 270 offices in New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania.

CONTACT: Luann McCarty of UJB Financial, 609-987-3332

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#90323p8400 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) today announced

that it has filed an application with the U.S. Department of Transportation for authority to begin service between Atlanta and Copenhagen on May 2, 1991.

In its application, Delta proposes daily flights from the Atlanta gateway to Copenhagen, Denmark, with a stop at London's Gatwick Airport. The airline's application states that while the initial proposal is for Atlanta-Copenhagen service via London, Delta is also seeking authority to provide nonstop Atlanta-Copenhagen service as future market conditions permit. The airline will operate the flights using 237-seat L1011-500 international range wide-body aircraft. The Delta L-1011 features three classes of service, with sleeper seats in first class.

Delta, with more than 2,400 flights a day, serves 177 cities in thirteen countries. Early next year Delta will inaugurate service to Hong Kong and to Nagoya, Japan, as it continues its international growth. Delta also has applications pending for other international points including Moscow, Rome, Madrid and Barcelona.

CONTACT: Delta public relations, 404-765-2534

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#90323p8401 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Lord & Taylor has announced that it has reached an agreement with Mervyn's to sell five of Lord & Taylor's southeast Florida stores. Stores to be sold are located at Cutler Ridge Mall and International Mall in Miami, Boynton Beach Mall in Boynton Beach, Coral Square Shopping Center in Coral Springs, and Treasure Coast Square in Jensen Beach. Lord & Taylor will continue to operate six other stores in Florida.

Lord & Taylor expects the sale to be completed by Jan. 22, 1991. In making the announcement, Marshall Hilsberg, chairman of Lord & Taylor, said, "The five stores are being sold to better position Lord & Taylor in the south Florida market. At our other south Florida stores, we look forward to serving our customers better through increased merchandise assortments. The geographic proximity of the stores that will continue to operate will enable us to retain a substantial number of our valued south Florida customers."

Lord & Taylor will continue to operate stores at Aventura Mall and Dadeland in Miami, Palm Beach Mall in West Palm Beach, Boca Town Center in Boca Raton, The Fashion Mall in Plantation and Galleria in Fort Lauderdale. Hilsberg said the size of the Galleria store will be reduced to better serve its customers.

Headquartered in New York, Lord & Taylor is the country's oldest specialty store, operating 51 stores in 15 states.

CONTACT: Jann Walker, 212-382-7668, or Colette Beaudry,
212-391-3639, of Lord & Taylor

-30- 1674
#90323p8403 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
ALEXANDRIA, VA. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Technology Applications, Inc. (TAI), a professional and technical services firm headquartered in Alexandria, has appointed Stanley Paul as vice president of the newly formed Technology Services Division.

The Technology Services Division is a consolidation of the firm's Engineering and Technical Support Division and its Information Technology Division.

Paul comes to TAI from Cullinet Software, Inc., which was recently acquired by Computer Associates. At Cullinet, Paul served as vice president of the Government Systems Division. Previous positions include regional manager, Mid-Atlantic, Southeast, and Federal Government, for Comshare, Inc.; vice president and general manager at Stern Inc.; and various positions, including national account executive, for Xerox Corporation. Paul received his bachelor of science degree in finance from San Diego State University.

TAI provides information systems, high performance computing, C3I, ILS, aerospace systems engineering and integration, and mission support services primarily to agencies of the Department of Defense, NASA, and the EPA. TAI employs nearly 800 people at 39 locations around the United States and overseas. Principal offices are in the Washington area; in Tidewater, Va.; in Camarillo, Calif.; and in Dayton, Ohio. For its last fiscal year, TAI posted revenue of $58 million.

CONTACT: Jayne Rohrich of Technology Applications, Inc., 703-461-2135

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#90323p8407 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
CINCINNATI (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Kroger Co. (NYSE: KR) said today that it will proceed with its tender offer to oddlot holders of its 15-1/2 percent junior subordinated discount debentures regardless of whether a required minimum amount of debentures are offered for exchange in Kroger's plan to exchange a portion of its junior subordinated bonds for a new debt issue.

On Nov. 5, Kroger announced a plan to exchange between $575 and $660 principal amount of a new 13-1/2 percent junior subordinated debenture, due 2003, for each $1,000 face value of its 15-1/2 percent junior subordinated discount debentures. The Company said it would exchange up to $350 million of the 15-1/2 percent junior bonds, of which $1.4 billion will be outstanding when fully accreted.

As part of the offer, Kroger said it would pay cash to holders of oddlot junior subordinated bonds; i.e., those with a face value of less than $1,000.

As originally proposed, this transaction would only proceed if a minimum of $150 million of the 15-1/2 percent junior bonds were offered in exchange for the new bonds.

Now, because many oddlot holders of the junior bonds have expressed a desire to accept the oddlot exchange, Kroger said it will proceed with the oddlot tender even if the minimum amount of debentures are not exchanged.

Holders of oddlot debentures have until December 5 to exchange their bonds for cash.

CONTACT: Paul Bernish of The Kroger Company, 513-762-1304

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#90323p8411 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Technology Applications, Inc. (TAI), a professional and technical services firm headquartered in Alexandria, has promoted Lee Cooper to vice president, Applied Sciences Division.

Cooper joined TAI in February 1990 as general manager for the Applied Sciences Division. He is responsible for TAI's supercomputer operations and aerospace systems engineering and logistics support programs. The supercomputer operations include providing systems integration, systems administration, operations and user support services for the Naval Underwater Systems Center's Advanced Scientific and Engineering Computer Center. The aerospace programs include the Air Force's B-1B, F-16, C-17, A-10, AMRAAM, and propulsion systems and the Navy's Air Anti-Submarine Warfare, helicopter, and conventional munitions systems.

Cooper also heads the company's Software Process Assessment services contract, which was recently awarded by the Software Engineering Institute of Carnegie Mellon University. TAI is currently one of only four companies authorized by the SEI to perform software process assessments commercially for government and industry. TAI teams help client firms assess their software development processes, identify positive and negative aspects of their processes, and implement a program of improvements.

Cooper received his master of science degree in systems management from the Air Force Institute of Technology in 1979. He is also a 1982 graduate of the Defense Systems Management College. He is a nationally recognized lecturer on software engineering and management. As the industry co-chair of the Air Force Software Quality Assessment/Measurements Team, Cooper represents the Council of Defense and Space Industry Association (CODSIA) in supporting the Air Force Software Management Initiative.

TAI provides information systems, high performance computing, C3I, ILS, aerospace systems engineering and integration, and mission support services

primarily to the DOD, NASA and the EPA. TAI employs nearly 800 people at 39 locations around the United States and overseas. Principal offices are in the Washington area; in Tidewater, Va.; in Camarillo, Calif.; and in Dayton, Ohio.

CONTACT: Jayne Rohrich of Technology Applications, Inc., 703-461-2135

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#90323p8414 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW CASTLE, PA. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First Western Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: FWBI) today announced it had elected Thomas J. O'Shane, currently president and chief operating officer of First Western and president and chief executive officer of First National Bank of Western Pennsylvania, as president and chief executive officer of First Western, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

John W. Sant, chairman and chief executive officer of First Western, announced to the board his retirement as chief executive officer as of Dec. 31, 1990. Sant will continue to serve First Western as chairman of the board and the Executive Committee and as director of the subsidiary banks. O'Shane will also continue to serve as president and chief executive officer of subsidiary First National Bank, also based in New Castle.

Sant stated, "Tom has proven leadership capability and banking expertise and will bring a strong, aggressive managerial style to First Western Bancorp. The acquisition of First Federal of Western Pennsylvania will be completed by the end of November. We have assembled a young, experienced management team under Tom to run First National, Beaver Trust, First Federal and the First Western Trust Services Co. First Western's enlarged banking activities and changes in the banking industry expected in the 1990s indicated the need for First Western to have a chief executive officer with extensive bank operating experience. We plan now to closely direct our banking operations, consolidate back office and internal administrative functions, to direct systemwide lending, investment, and asset/liability functions and to develop customer-oriented products for the First Western system to be delivered by the individual banks to the markets that they serve. We believe Tom is the ideal executive for this position."

First Western Bancorp Inc. is a $583 million bank holding company headquartered in New Castle, Pa.

CONTACT: Robert H. Young, vice president-finance, secretary and treasurer of First Western Bancorp, 412-652-8550/

-30- 2252

#90323p8415 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BINGHAMTON, N.Y. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - New York State Electric & Gas Corporation (NYSE: NGE) has elected to redeem on Dec. 24, 1990, all of its outstanding First Mortgage Bonds, 12-1/8 percent series due 2015. The redemption price will be 109.40 percent of the principal amount together with accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. There is currently $75,000,000 of this series outstanding.

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#90323p8418 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANDOVER, MD (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - John W. Hechinger Jr., president and chief executive officer of Hechinger Company (NASDAQ-NMS: HECHA, HECHB), announced today the election of Allan J. Bloostein, Ann D. Jordan, and Alan J. Zakon as outside directors to the company's board.

The election increases the number of outside directors on the Hechinger board to five. "We are pleased to announce the addition of three outside directors to our board," Hechinger said. "Their qualifications are numerous, and we expect that their contributions to the company will be significant and immediate."

With over 35 years of experience in the retailing industry, Bloostein is currently a consultant in both retail and consumer goods marketing. He also serves on the boards of Melville Corporation, R.G. Barry Corporation, and Crystal Brands, Inc.

Previously, Bloostein has served as president of Stern Brothers, as president and chief executive officer of the Hecht Company, and as vice chairman of The May Department Stores Company. Bloostein also served as a member of the board of directors of The May Company from 1980 until his retirement in 1987.

Jordan currently serves on the boards of Johnson & Johnson Corporation, Capital Cities - ABC, Inc., and Primerica, Inc. Previously, Jordan has served as a field work associate professor at the University of Chicago's School of Social Service Administration, as director of social services at Chicago Lying In Hospital and as director of the University of Chicago Medical Center's Department of Social Services.

Zakon is currently a managing director and chairman of the Strategic Policy Committee at Bankers Trust Corporation. In addition, he serves on the boards of Augat Corporation, Boyle Leasing Technologies, Inc., Earle M. Jorgenson Company, and Laurentian Capital Corporation.

Prior to joining Bankers Trust, Zakon served as president of Boston Consulting Group and later was named its chairman of the board. He has also served as an associate professor of finance and marketing at Boston University.

Bloostein, Jordan, and Zakon join Herbert J. Broner and David O. Maxwell as outside directors of the Hechinger Company's board. Broner and Maxwell have served as outside directors since 1988.

CONTACT: Lennie Zallar, vice president and treasurer, Hechinger Company, (301) 925-3170.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Bureau Inc. (SBI), a wholly owned subsidiary of Chambers Development Company Inc. (AMEX: CDVB) of Pittsburgh, announced today that it has acquired AmGUARD Security Corp., a security services firm headquartered in Oakland, Calif., with offices in San Francisco and San Jose.

The acquisition is expected to generate annual revenue of $8.7 million for SBI.

"This acquisition is excellent for SBI because AmGUARD has established an outstanding record of quality service to its customers in the Oakland, San Francisco and San Jose areas," said Gordon M. Ellis, SBI's president and chief operation officer.

"In the rapidly expanding security business, SBI is making well-planned acquisitions which complement the company. We are proceeding within the strategy and business plan developed by Chambers toward an optimum mix of the security and solid waste businesses.

"Also, AmGUARD will continue to enhance our position as a leader in security programs across the country and help differentiate SBI services to meet the ever increasing client demands for high quality security programs," Ellis said.

The AmGUARD acquisition complements existing SBI offices in Oakland and Pleasanton, Calif. Additionally, SBI has California offices in Orange, Anaheim, San Diego, Indio, Sacramento and San Rafael.

SBI, also headquartered in Pittsburgh, is the 12th largest security services firm in the United States. The company provides uniformed guard services, crisis management, security surveys, loss prevention and investigative services.

Chambers Development Company Inc. is a leading environnmental firm offering services in recycling, collection, hauling, disposal and landfill development.

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GREENWICH, Conn. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Helm Resources, Inc. (AMEX: H) today announced results for the third quarter and first nine months ended Sept. 30 1990.

Revenues for the nine months totalled $156,273,000 versus $152,435,000 for the same period last year. Net income was $2,587,000 or $.09 per share, as compared to $653,000 or $.03 per share in 1989. Net income for the 1990 period included an extraordinary item of $970,000, or $.03 per share.

For the third quarter, revenues were $58,163,000 as compared to $44,565,000 in 1989. Net income experienced a loss of $417,000 as compared to a profit of $1,210,000 in 1989, which included a gain on the repurchase of debentures. Third quarter results were adversely effected by a previously reported loss in the plastics division due to the simultaneous departure of eleven of its sales personnel. This business resumed profitability in September 1990, due to strong growth in the European and International marketplace.

The favorable results of the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 reflects increased gain from the sale of securities, and an increase in shareholders' equity to $11,754,000 from $9,424,000 at Dec. 31, 1989.

There were 29,171,000 and 28,884,000 shares outstanding for the third quarter and first nine months, respectively, as compared to 24,306,000 and 24,423,000 for the same respective periods in 1989.

Helm Resources, Inc. is a diversified company with various business interests, including the worldwide marketing and distribution of thermoplastic resins; the acquisition and marketing of seismic data to oil and gas companies; the development and marketing of optical disk software to the legal and financial services industries; the manufacture and marketing of industrial quality control products and agricultural products. Its affiliate Cliff Engle is engaged in the design, manufacture and distribution of sweaters that are officially licensed by the major sports leagues and the National Collegiate Athletic Association, and affiliate Rossignol Tennis is the exclusive U.S. distribution and licensee of Rossignol racquets and racquet sports apparel and accessories.

HELM RESOURCES, INC. Third quarter

ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$58,163,000	$44,565,000
Earning (loss) from cont. opers.	(273,000)	383,000
Discontinued operations	(54,000)	--
Earnings (loss) before extraord. item	(327,000)	383,000
Extraordinary item (A)	(90,000)	827,000
Net earnings	(417,000)	1,210,000
Per share:		

Earnings (loss) before extraord. item	(.01)	.02
Extraordinary item	--	.03
Net earnings	(.01)	.05
Average common shares outstanding	29,171,000	24,306,000

Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$156,273,000	$152,435,000
Earning (loss) from cont. opers.	1,671,000	(532,000)
Discontinued operations	(54,000)	--
Earnings (loss) before extraord. item	1,617,000	(532,000)
Extraordinary item (A)	970,000	1,185,000
Net earnings	2,587,000	653,000
Per share:		
Earnings (loss) before extraord. item	.06	(.02)
Extraordinary item	.03	.05
Net earnings	.09	.03
Average common shares outstanding	28,884,000	24,423,000

(A) The extraordinary item in 1990 represents the utilization of carry forward losses for tax purposes and 1989 is a gain on repurchase of 11 percent subordinated debentures.

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HAIFA, Israel (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - I.I.S. Intelligent Information Systems, Ltd. (NASDAQ: IISLF) today reported results for its third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net income increased 61 percent to $1,574,000, or $.39 per share, up from $976,000, or $.24 per share, last year. Revenue for the quarter grew 117 percent to $9,607,000 versus $4,435,000 last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income increased 37 percent to $4,089,000, or $1.01 per share, compared with $2,983,000, or $.74 per share, in the year-ago period. Revenue increased 82 percent to 23,049,000 from $12,608,000 last year.

The company reports results in U.S. dollars since most of its revenue and earnings are generated in the United States.

"We are very pleased with the strong third quarter results," said Jacob Herbst I.I.S.'s chairman and chief executive officer.

"They reflect the continued worldwide demand for the company's peripheral and communication products for IBM and IBM-compatible mid-range and mainframe computers."

"The U.S.-based Lee Data division, acquired by I.I.S. in April 1990, made a strong contribution to third quarter sales and earnings," said Herbst. "These additional sales are to existing Lee Data and I.I.S. customers as well as new 'Fortune 500' customers."

Although most of the third quarter business is for existing products, I.I.S.'s new IBM 3471 and 3472 compatible products are attracting many orders, which the company expects to deliver during the fourth quarter. In addition, during the fourth quarter the company expects to introduce new products for the mid-range computers, such as IBM 3476 and 3477 compatible units.

"With the reestablishment of the Lee Data division as a profitable, growing business, I.I.S. is well positioned for continued sales and earnings growth," Herbst said.

I.I.S. Intelligent Information Systems Limited designs, develops, manufactures markets and services peripheral and communication products for use with mid-range and large IBM and IBM-compatible mainframe computer systems and other computer system environments such as DEC, NCR and Data General. The company serves an international customer base.

I.I.S. INTELLIGENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS, LTD.
Summary Financial Information

Third Quarter ended	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Revenue	$ 9,607,000	$ 4,435,000
Net income	$ 1,574,000	$ 976,000
Earnings per share	$ .39	$ .24
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,067,000	4,031,000

Nine Months ended	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Revenue	$ 23,049,000	$ 12,608,000
Net income	$ 4,089,000	$ 2,983,000
Earnings per share	$ 1.01	$ .74
Weighted average number of share outstanding	4,067,000	4,031,000

CONTACT: George McGrath or Linda Kwong of Hill and Knowlton, Inc., 212-697-5600, for I.I.S. Intelligent Information Systems.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Geotek Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: GOTK) announced today operating results for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

For the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, net revenues rose 56 percent to $6,061,000 from $3,877,000 in the same quarter of 1989. For the nine months

ending Sept. 30, 1990, net revenues rose 69 percent to $17,914,000 from $10,630,000 a year ago.

The net loss from continuing operations for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, rose to $580,000 or $.20 per share, from $475,000 or $.26 per share, in the third quarter of 1989. The net loss from continuing operations for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,497,000 or $.53 per share, compared to $1,085,000 or $.64 per share, in the first nine months of 1989.

Yaron Eitan, president and chief executive officer of Geotek, stated, "The substantial increase in revenues reflects the continued growth of Jerico Precision Mfg. Corp., the Defense Electronic Group's New York-based manufacturing operation. The company's net loss is primarily due to the Power Electronic Group. Management has taken the necessary step to ensure improved performance for the Power Group in 1991. The strategic alliance with Aryt Optronics completed in October 1990 significantly increased the company's working capital and provides Geotek with the necessary financial resources to continue its growth."

Geotek manufactures a variety of products for the computer and telecommunication industries including high-quality transformers and power supplies. The company also manufactures sophisticated electronic fuses for munitions and other mechanical defense articles.

CONTACT: Yaron Eitan, president and CEO, or Yoram Bibring, CFO, or Jerrold Levy, treasurer, of Geotek, 215-563-0310, or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Geotek

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Long Lake Energy Corporation (NASDAQ: LLEC) announced today a loss of $2,187,528 or $.21 per share on revenues of $509,724 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the comparative quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, the company reported net income of $6,154,022 or $.60 per share on revenues of $1,113,648. The 1989 net income included an operating loss of $3,379,827 or $.33 per share and a gain on transfer of one of the company's subsidiaries of $9,533,849 or $.93 per share.

The reduction in operating loss between the third quarter of this year and the third quarter of 1989 is attributable to the following major factors. First, the 1989 results included $1,173,553 of expense resulting from the company's decision not to pursue the Alice Falls project. Second, in August 1989, the company transferred to Harza Engineering Company two of its hydroelectric facilities which produced a combined loss for the third quarter of 1989 of $614,815. These reductions in operating loss were partially offset by an increase in general and administrative expenses in the third quarter of 1990 resulting primarily from an increase in professional fees incurred with

respect to the antitrust suits which the company has brought against two utilities and by a reduction in management fees earned by the company in the third quarter of 1990.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the loss was $4,153,457 or $.41 per share on revenues of $2,913,858, compared to a gain of $6,412,560 or $.63 per share on revenues of $7,786,830 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The 1989 net income included an operating loss of $3,121,289 or $.30 per share and a gain on transfer of one of the company's subsidiaries of $9,533,849 or $.93 per share. The increase in operating loss for the nine-month period is attributable to the $1,949,357 in operating fees that the company earned in 1989 for the signing of certain power sales contracts. No development fees were earned in 1990.

The company has signed a letter of intent with Potomac Electric Power Company (PEPCO) of Washington to construct and operate a 315- megawatt, gas-fired generating facility in Loudoun County, Va. Electricity produced by the facility will be sold under contract to PEPCO. Siemens will jointly develop the facility with the company and the facility will use three Siemens V84.2 gas turbines.

Long Lake Energy Corporation is an independent power producer that builds and operates electric and steam power plants.

CONTACT: Frank M. Dickerson, chief financial officer of Long Lake, 212-986-0440

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NORTHVILLE, MICH. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Guardian Industries Corp. (Guardian) announced the grand opening of its affiliated float glass manufacturing plant (C.V.G. Vidrios Monagas S.A. "Vimosa") located in Maturin, Venezuela. In addition to Guardian's 49-percent ownership of the project, its partners include Coporacion Venezolana De Guayana, ("CVG"), with a 30-percent shareholding and Inversiones Detroit 21, C.A. a private Venezuelan company, which owns the remaining 21 percent. The plant employs state-of-the-art technology to produce high-quality float glass for use in residential, commercial and automotive flat glass markets.

Venezuela President Carlos Andres Perez presided over the formal inauguration of the plant on Nov. 9 in Maturin. Others in attendance at the inauguration included William Davidson, president of Guardian; Leopoldo Sucre Figarella, president of CVG; Roberto Pocaterra Silva, Minister of Finance; Guillermo Call governor of the State of Monagas; George Landau, former U.S. Ambassador to Venezuela; Dezider Weisz, president of Century C.A. of Venezuela, and other various national and State of Monagas authorities. Vimosa commenced production of glass on Aug. 21, 1990, after approximately 18 months of

construction. The plant has a manufacturing capacity of 450 metric tons per day which will be sold in Venezuela and in various export markets, including nearby countries in Latin America, the United States, Europe and Asia. The added production capacity will enhance Guardian's efforts to supply its existing world markets and to penetrate potential markets.

President Perez praised the partners for their efforts and spoke of the important boost the plant will give to Monagas State and the overall economy of Venezuela. In particular, President Perez cited that the plant not only creates direct employment for about 250 people, but also creates substantial employment indirectly because of local industrial development needed to support the glass plant.

Davidson publicly thanked President Perez and his administration for their strong support during the construction phase of the project. Davidson pointed out that continued strong government support is needed to provide access for Vimosa glass to nearby countries' glass markets on a fair basis. He assured the audience that Vimosa's production is already equal in quality and price to any of its competitors. "With fair access to Andean and other surrounding markets," Davidson stated, "Vimosa will be a major export concern for Venezuela. This is another significant step toward Guardian's objectives to be a major participant in the flat glass industry in every major international market."

The president of Guardian's Glass Division, Russ Ebeid, stated that, "Vimosa has a state-of-the-art manufacturing system that will enable it to rapidly serve customers in Venezuela and other markets. Vimosa's workers have been carefully trained in our other facilities and are performing very enthusiastically."

Guardian, a diversified manufacturer of flat glass, has been expanding aggressively throughout the world in recent years. Since 1988, Guardian has opened new float glass plants in South Carolina, Luxembourg and, in addition to the Venezuelan plant, expects to inaugurate its Hungarian plant in the first quarter of 1991. Furthermore, Guardian has developed a variety of products in the automotive glass fabrication area that has led to recent additional investments in the U.S. to support the company's growing presence as a glass supplier to the U.S. automotive industry.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Brooke Group Ltd. (BGL) (NYSE: BGL) announced today that it has completed a restructuring which has resulted in BGL becoming the parent company of its former parent, Brooke Partners, L.P. Through a series of transactions, BGL has acquired substantial assets

including 70 percent of the common stock of MAI Systems Corporation and certain debt and equity interests in Western Union Corporation. BGL has also assumed the subordinated indebtedness (approximately $300,000,000) of Brooke Partners, L.P. which, prior to the restructuring, indirectly owned 84 percent of BGL's common stock.

As part of the transaction, BGL will distribute to its public shareholders of record as of December 14, 1990 one Contingent Value Right for each share of common stock. The Contingent Value Rights (CVRs) will be senior secured obligations of BGL and will be freely tradeable. The CVRs entitle holders to receive on November 15, 1993 a cash payment equal to the amount (if any) by which BGL's common stock price at that time (calculated as provided for in the Contingent Value Rights Agreement) is less than $18.25 (as reduced in accordance with the Contingent Value Rights Agreement for dividends paid since November 14, 1990). The CVRs have been designed to protect public shareholders against any decline in the price of BGL's common stock, and also guarantee public shareholders a 15 percent compound annual appreciation on their investment above the current price of $12.00 per share. After May 15, 1991, the CVRs may be redeemed in whole or in part at a price equal to the adjusted target price ($12.00 per share increased at a 15 percent compound annual rate as adjusted for dividends paid) minus the then market price of the common stock.

Bennett S. LeBow, Chairman of BGL, said, "This transaction is a confirmation of our previously announced diversification strategy for BGL." He added, "The CVRs were designed to protect the investment of public shareholders in BGL."

The former partners of Brooke Partners, L.P. will initially receive preferred stock which may be converted into BGL common stock at the earlier to occur of March 19, 1991 or the filing of a registration statement in respect of the underlying common stock. The preferred stock is convertible into the same number of shares of BGL common stock as were held by Brooke Partners, L.P. prior to the restructuring. Mr. LeBow stated that the transaction was unanimously approved by the BGL Board of Directors after it was recommended by the Independent Committee of the Board. The Independent Committee was advised by Oppenheimer & Co., Inc. that the transaction is fair from a financial point of view to the public shareholders of BGL.

CONTACT: Alan Hilburg, Brooke Group, Ltd., 214-869-4920

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron Corp. today announced a partial settlement of a four-year-old, class-action lawsuit which alleges that Chevron did not properly administer the Gulf pension plan and severance plans after acquiring Gulf in 1984. Plaintiffs seek about $600 million in the case.

Attorneys for Chevron and the plaintiffs, who represent more than 30,000 class members, have settled issues involving severance payments, vesting, early retirement, and post-retirement benefits such as medical and life insurance.

Chevron agreed to pay about $8.3 million in severance benefits to former Gulf employees who left Chevron as part of certain assets divested between 1984 and 1986, and to increase obligations to the Chevron Pension Plan by about $16 million for vesting and early retirement of certain other divested Gulf employees. Chevron also agreed to pay reasonable attorney fees and expenses.

Unsettled and remaining to be litigated are complex issues such as the plaintiff's theory that class members are entitled to some or all of an alleged overfunding in the Gulf plan, that a partial termination of the Gulf plan occurred between 1984 and 1986, and that Chevron should not have paid certain retirement supplements from the pension plan. Trial resumed today on these issues in U.S. District Court in Houston.

The settled issues are: Severance -- Claims will be paid to all former Gulf employees who went to Champion Energy and Thermex, and to most former Gulf employees who went to Cumberland Farms when Chevron sold Gulf assets.

Early retirement -- Chevron will grant 50 percent of the early retirement benefit to former Gulf employees who went to Cumberland Farms and Sohio/BP, and will grant 100 percent to former Gulf employees of Champion if the employees in these companies were eligible for early retirement on the asset sale date.

Post-retirement welfare benefits -- Former Gulf employees transferred to Sohio/BP, Cumberland and Champion will have a one-time option to join Chevron's post-retirement benefits plan if they were eligible for early retirement on the asset sale date.

Vesting -- Chevron will grant vesting in its pension plan to all former Gulf employees who were not vested and who left Chevron (or purchasers of Chevron assets) between early 1984 and mid-1986. Plaintiffs agreed to drop claims that a partial termination of the Gulf pension plan occurred between 1982 and 1984.

Chevron plans to promptly review application of the settlement terms concerning severance, early retirement, and post-retirement welfare benefits for former Chevron employees involved in these divestitures.

CONTACT: Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440; or Bonnie Chaikind, 415-894-1200; both of Chevron Corp.

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GREENWICH, CONN. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Edward H. DeHority Jr., has been named to the board of directors of UST. The announcement was made at UST's board of directors meeting held today.

As a member of UST's board of directors, DeHority will serve on the Audit, Compensation and Management Succession and Stock Option Committees.

A retired accountant and lawyer, DeHority was UST's engagement partner from 1978 to 1984. He also served as managing partner of Ernst & Whinney, now known as Ernst & Young, in Stamford, Conn., from 1978 to 1987. He retired in 1988.

A 30-year veteran of the firm, DeHority began his career in 1958 as a tax accountant in Cleveland. In 1963 he transferred to the Atlanta office where he served in various capacities, culminating with the position of regional partner in charge of the tax area. From 1972 to 1978, DeHority returned to Cleveland to serve as the firm's national client relations partner.

From 1979 to 1988, DeHority was a member of the Republican Roundtable in Greenwich, Conn. He also served with the United Way of Greenwich as past campaign chairman and president and on the advisory board of the Fairfield County Counsel Boy Scouts of America.

DeHority received his bachelor of science degree from Indiana University in 1952 and his law degree from Georgetown University in 1956.

Through its subsidiaries, UST is a leading producer and marketer of moist smokeless tobacco products including Copenhagen, Skoal, Skoal Long Cut and Skoal Bandits. Other consumer products marketed by its subsidiaries include premium wines sold nationally under the Chateau Ste. Michelle, Columbia Crest, Conn Creek and Villa Mt. Eden labels. UST subsidiaries also manufacture or market quality pipes and imported pipe tobacco, imported cigars, and other tobacco-related products.

CONTACT: Alan Kaiser of UST, 203-622-3549

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First Interstate Bancorp (NYSE: I) today declared quarterly cash dividends on the company's common stock, Series A Preferred Stock and Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series B.

A quarterly cash dividend of $0.75 per share on the company's common stock is payable Dec. 28, 1990 to stockholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990. This is the 130th consecutive quarterly dividend paid by the Los Angeles-based multistate banking and financial services company since it began operations in 1958.

The December dividend payment, totaling $ 46.2 million, will be paid to the approximately 40,000 shareholders of record who hold First Interstate's 61.5 million common shares outstanding. On an annual basis, the common dividend equals $3.00 a share.

A quarterly cash dividend of $0.59-3/8 a share on First Interstate's Series A Preferred Stock is payable Dec. 28, 1990 to stockholders of record on Dec. 17, 1990. On an annual basis, the preferred dividend equals $2.37-1/2 a share, or 9.5 percent of the stated value of $25 a share.

A dividend of $0.94 will be paid on Jan. 15, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 30, 1990 who hold the corporation's Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series B. The stock was issued in conjunction with the purchase of Allied Bancshares Inc. of Texas in 1988.

First Interstate is a banking company which utilizes more than 1,100 domestic offices and 33 international offices in 17 countries to serve consumers and business customers. It serves more than 5 million households in some 650 communities in the western United States.

CONTACT: Ken Preston of First Interstate Bancorp, 213-614-3656.

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#90323p8467 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Interpak Holdings, Inc. (OTC) today reported results for the nine months and third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter were $2,883,403 compared with $3,399,584 for the third quarter of 1989. The company reported net income for the quarter of $35,195 compared with net income of $173,119 for the third quarter of 1989.

Net sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $8,857,175, compared with nine months net sales for 1989 of $9,930,329.

Net income for the nine month period was $84,235 or $.03 per share compared with net income of $9,930,329 or $.18 per share in 1989. The results of operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 include approximately $125,000 of before tax expenses incurred in the distribution of shares of Interpak Holdings, Inc. in May 1990.

There were 3,046,000 average shares outstanding for the nine month period as compared with 3,182,000 shares in the similar period of 1989.

Interpak Holdings, Inc. is engaged in the business of custom packaging, warehousing and arranging for the delivery of thermoplastic resins for the account of others.

INTERPAK HOLDINGS, INC.

Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net revenues	$8,857,175	$9,930,329
Net income	84,235	561,695
Net income per share	.03	.18
Average shares outstanding	3,046,088	3,182,000
Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net revenues	$2,883,403	$3,399,584
Net income	35,195	173,119
Net income per share	.01	.06
Average shares outstanding	3,046,088	3,005,000

CONTACT: Stephen J. Barcik, 713-675-9000, or David S. Lawi, 203-629-1400, both of Interpak.

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MIAMI (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Royal Crown Cola Co. announced today that Al Burke had resigned as chief operating officer to pursue personal business interests.

RCC said that Burke has agreed to continue as a consultant for an indeterminate period and would aid in the search for a successor chief operating officer and assist in ensuring an orderly transition.

CONTACT: Jan Lewin or Veronica Jones of Manning, Selvage & Lee, 404-875-1444; or Phil Dudek of Royal Crown Cola, 305-866-3281

-30- 657

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DETROIT (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Manufacturers National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MNTL) today announced its ManuWay automatic teller machines (ATMs) are now available for use by Plus System and Cirrus Network cardholders.

Manufacturers operates nearly 100 ManuWay machines throughout the state of Michigan, primarily near metropolitan Detroit, Lansing, Ann Arbor and Grand Rapids.

Plus and Cirrus cardholders can obtain cash withdrawals from checking and savings accounts, obtain cash advances from credit card accounts, transfer money between savings and checking accounts, and make balance inquiries by using their ATM card and personal identification number (PIN) in ManuWay ATMs identified with the Plus and Cirrus marks.

Manufacturers National Corporation is a regional bank holding company

headquartered in Detroit. Its lead banking subsidiary is Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit. The corporation also operates banks and other financial subsidiaries in Illinois, Delaware and Florida.

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HARRISBURG, PA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - As a result of an examination of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Harrisburg, the sole subsidiary of First Harrisburg Bancor (NASDAQ-NMS: FFHP), conducted by the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) earlier this year, the association received by letter dated Oct. 31, 1990, from the OTS a proposed cease and desist order.

The proposed order requires the association to adopt, revise or expand various policies and plans and to take various other actions. The provisions of the proposed order are designed to resolve various supervisory concerns raised in the recently received examination report from the OTS, particularly concerns regarding the association's non- performing loans and real estate owned in the southwestern United States, oversight of the association's mortgage banking subsidiary and the need for additional or more extensive policies.

The association is currently reviewing the provisions of the proposed order and said it intends to seek amendment, clarification, or deletion of several of the provisions. The association said it believes that several of the actions required by the proposed order have already been taken and that certain of the items merely require better written documentation of actions regularly taken by the association. Although the association said it intends to seek amendment, clarification or deletion of several of the provisions, the association said it also intends to cooperate with the OTS to ensure that all supervisory concerns are addressed to the fullest extent possible.

Because the Proposed Order does not restrict the association's lending or investment activities, or its deposits or borrowings, the association said it believes that the provisions of the proposed order will not have a materially adverse effect on the association's financial condition or results of operations. At Sept. 30, 1990, the association continued to meet each of its current capital requirements, and the association was profitable during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

First Harrisburg Bancor is a Pennsylvania-chartered stock company trading on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FFHP.

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MCCONNELLSBURG, PA. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - JLG Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: JLGI) today reported sales for its first fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, of $25.6 million compared to sales of $32.9 million in the prior year period.

Net income for the quarter was $357,000, or $.10 per share, compared to net income of $1,872,000, or $.53 per share, in the fiscal 1990 first quarter.

Commenting on the first quarter results, John L. Grove, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, "We were disappointed by the decrease in sales and net income in our first fiscal quarter, but these results were consistent with the depressed ecomonic conditions that currently persist in our marketplace. As reported in early August, and again with the release of our fiscal 1990 results, we began during the summer to experience a decline in new orders."

Continuing, Grove said, "When it became apparent that the fall-off in new orders was not a short-term trend, we rapidly took steps to scale back operations and cut expenses. We began by downsizing our work force, bringing manufacturing subcontract work in-house and repaying debt. It took time to implement these cost-cutting measures, and therefore, net income for the quarter declined by a greater percentage than the drop in sales. The positive effects of these cost reduction measures should become more apparent beginning in the second quarter."

JLG Industries Inc. is an international manufacturer and marketer of specialized hydraulic machinery, including mobile aerial work platforms and materials-handling products. Sales are made principally to independent distributors which provide sales and service support as well as rent the company's products to a broad customer base, including users in the construction and industrial markets.

The company is headquartered in McConnellsburg, Pa., with additional manufacturing facilities in Fort Littleton, Bedford and York, Pa.; Cumbernauld Scotland; and Port Macquarie, Australia.

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FORT WORTH (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Team Bank, as Trustee of the San Juan Basin Royalty Trust (NYSE: SJT), today declared there would be no cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of record on Nov. 30, 1990.

Royalty income from the properties from which the Royalty was carved was

approximately $1,276,800 for the month of November. However, prior months' production expenses exceeded revenues by approximately $1,497,000 before applying the trust's share of November's income. In accordance with the Royalty Conveyance, the excess of expenses over income must be recovered from subsequent months' royalty income. Additionally, in order for the trust to pay administrative expenses for September, October and November, the trustee borrowed funds totaling $53,443. The deferred charge created by this borrowing must also be repaid before further distributions can be made to unit holders. Therefore, the total to be recovered from future income is approximately $593,200.

Capital costs for the month were lower primarily due to accrual revisions. Production for the properties from which the Royalty was carved totaled approximately 1,210,000 Mcf. The average gas price was $1.59 per Mcf.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Santa Fe Pacific Corporation (SFP) (NYSE: SFP) announced that it will split into three separate and independent entities effective Dec. 4, 1990. SFP's board of directors has approved a special dividend to its common stockholders consisting of the company's interest in its real estate and petroleum subsidiaries. In April 1990, the board had approved management's development of a plan which contemplated the spin-offs.

Holders of record of SFP common stock as of Nov. 29, 1990, will receive one share of common stock of Santa Fe Energy Resources for every approximately 3.3 shares of SFP common stock held, and one share of Catellus Development Corporation (formerly Santa Fe Pacific Realty) for every 4.0 shares of SFP common stock held. Stockholders entitled to receive fractional shares will receive cash from the sale on their behalf of such fractional shares. Santa Fe Pacific Corporation will continue to own The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway, Santa Fe Pacific Minerals Corp., and its interest in Santa Fe Pacific Pipelines.

Robert D. Krebs, chairman, president and chief executive officer of SFP, said the company has received a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service that the distribution will be tax free to SFP stockholders and the company.

"In our view, the values of our significant and diversified assets, especially our real estate and petroleum properties, have not been reflected fully in SFP's stock price," Krebs stated. "Our stockholders should benefit from this separation, because it will place a spotlight on the values inherent in those companies. In addition, the directors, management and employees of all three companies will now be able to focus their energies on better utilizing and

developing their assets," he said.

Santa Fe Pacific Corporation (SFX) and Santa Fe Energy Resources (SFR) are listed on the New York Stock Exchange. The common stock of Catellus has been approved for listing on the New York Stock Exchange (CDX), and "when issued" trading is expected to being Nov. 23, 1990.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Fidelity Savings Bank, PaSA (NASDAQ-NMS: FSVA) today announced results for the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for the period was $1,032,000 or $1.06 per share vs. net income of $1,326,000, or $1.36 per share for the comparable period last year.

Net interest income for fiscal 1990 rose 11 percent to $5,048,000, compared to $4,551,000 in the previous year. At Sept. 30, 1990, Fidelity Savings had total assets of $168,269,000 and stockholders' equity of $14,395,000 or $14.72 per share.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income was $228,000 or $.23 per share compared with net income of $234,000 or $.24 per share in the same quarter last year. Net interest income for the period was $1,232,000 vs. $1,142,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Fidelity Savings Bank, PaSA is a Pennsylvania-chartered, FDIC-insured savings institution conducting business through six offices in Allegheny and Butler counties.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Dimensional Medicine, Inc. (DMI) (NASDAQ: DMED), a Minneapolis-based developer and marketer of radiology-related systems today reported operating revenues for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $1,053,995 compared with $985,703 for the second quarter last year. The net loss of $430,259, or $.07 per share, for 1990 compared with a net loss of $198,475, or $.03 per share, in 1989.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, DMI reported operating revenues of $2,698,821 and a net loss of $724,433, or $.12 per share. This compares with operating revenues of $2,065,576 and a net loss of $366,762, or $.06 per share

for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

David H. Littlefield, president and CEO, commented, "Our fiscal year order activity for information systems should be well ahead of last year. Unfortunately, contract commitments were behind plan in the first two quarters resulting in a lower margin business mix. While the next two quarters should be significantly improved, fully reversing the year-to-date results may not be possible with customer-driven implementation schedules.

Dimensional Medicine, Inc. designs, develops and markets computerized peripheral equipment and systems to the radiology medical market. The company is headquartered in Minneapolis.

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BOCA RATON, FLA. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - SK Technologies Corporation (NASDAQ: SKTC) announced today the company's second-quarter results for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990, which reflect a 32.5 percent increase in revenues vs. the same period a year ago.

SK reported total revenues of $219,708 in the current period compared with revenues of $165,804 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. The company reported a net loss for the period ended Sept. 30 of $410,939, or 3 cents per share, vs. a loss of $106,444, or 1 cent per share, for the comparative quarter a year ago.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, SK has reported revenues of $587,875, an increase of 85 percent vs. the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989, when the company reported revenues of $317,372. SK reported a loss of $603,907, or 5 cents per share, for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, vs. a loss of $196,714, or 2 cents per share, for the same period a year ago.

Management attributes the losses primarily to the costs associated with field (beta) testing the retail product line in various locations throughout the country. SG&A expenses also increased due to the company's expansion into the retail marketplace in addition to the existing food service market. During this fiscal year, SK established an in-house sales and marketing infra-structure and developed several external business partner relationships, including value-added distribution channels and public relations. Additionally, SK made substantial investments to establish customer references and acceptance of its products either through discounts or through volume purchase agreements.

Randy Selman, president of SK, stated: "Based on our decision to focus our efforts on the development of a retail version of StoreKare, as we anticipated

our short-term revenues have been negatively affected, however, we believe that the retail system has been well- accepted by some of the major retailers and credit card processor companies as well as by major hardware manufacturers. We feel extremely confident that we have created an excellent opportunity to increase our overall revenue base in the near future."

SK Technologies Corporation is a developer and marketer of point-of- sale and data communications software specifically designed for use by fast food and retail operations as well as other franchise business.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Brooke Group Ltd. (NYSE: BGL) today reported its results for the second quarter and first half (not reflecting the previously announced restructuring) and certain pro-forma financial information which reflects the announced transaction.

BROOKE GROUP LTD.
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(Uuaudited)
(In thousands except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Six Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Sales	$175,422	$128,106	$320,487	$259,078
Income Before Income Taxes	$ 16,847	$ 5,418	$ 32,213	$ 14,682
Net Income	$ 10,203	$ 3,513	$ 19,424	$ 8,823
Net Income Per Share	$ 0.43	$ 0.15	$ 0.81	$ 0.37
Weighted average common shares outstanding	33,900	24,000	23,950	24,000

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MILWAUKEE (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Value Merchants, Inc., (NASDAQ: VLMR) Milwaukee based operator of 100 Toy Liquidators toy retail outlets and more than 100 Everything's A $1 retail stores nationwide and a major national toy wholesaler, announced today the appointment of Alan Chaikin as president and chief operating officer of its Wisconsin Toy Company.

In making the announcement, Value Merchants President, Steven J. Appel, said that Chaikin would work closely with both Dick Wilson, president of Value

Merchant's toy retailing operations and Jay Cohen, president of the firm's toy wholesale division in the strategic evolution of the company's retail and wholesale toy businesses.

Chaikin served as chief operating officer of the 330 store chain Circus World Toy Stores. Prior to that he had served as president of Wisconsin Toy from 1980 to 1987 and was instrumental in expanding the wholesale company's business as well as developing the concept of the firm's Toy Liquidators retail outlets.

"Our toy operations will benefit greatly from Al Chaikin's superb knowledge of the toy industry as well as his high energy level, strong interpersonal skills and disciplined management style," said Appel in making the announcement.

Chaikin is a graduate of Adelphi College in Garden City, N.Y., is married, and has five children ranging in age from 20 to 29.

Chaikin will be headquartered in the firm's New York offices in the Toy Center.

Value Merchants, Inc. is a publicly-owned company, whose stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol, VLMR.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The LVI Group Inc. (NYSE: LVI) today reported a net loss applicable to common stock for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $19,178,000, as compared to losses of $7,118,000 for the similar period in 1989. The losses may be attributed principally to the discontinuance of the company's energy recovery business segment, interest expense, and loss on valuation of marketable securities previously held as long-term investments, according to Salvatore J. Zizza, the company's president and chief operating officer.

The company incurred a third-quarter operating loss of $3,085,000, an improvement as compared to an operating loss of $3,645,000 for the same period in 1989. Performance of the company's interior construction segment was responsible for the loss, as all other continuing business segments achieved an operating profit for the period. Zizza said that the poor performance of the interior construction segment was due to a substantially reduced volume, which he attributed to the general downward trend in the construction industry and adverse publicity regarding the company's financial position.

The loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, translated to 89 cents per share applicable to common stock on a weighted average of 21,463,000 common

shares outstanding, as compared to a loss of 35 cents per share applicable to common stock, on a weighted average of 20,203,000 common shares outstanding for the third quarter of 1989. Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $93,491,000 as compared to $118,791,000 for the same quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the first nine months of 1990, the net loss applicable to common stock was $23,931,000 on revenues of $273,571,000, as compared to a net loss applicable to common stock of $13,385,000 on revenues of $352,801,000 for the same period in 1989. The loss for the nine months of 1990 translated to $1.12 per share applicable to common stock on a weighted average of 21,409,000 common shares outstanding, compared to a loss of 66 cents per share applicable to common stock on a weighted average of 20,142,000 common shares outstanding for the comparable period in 1989.

The LVI Group Inc. is a New York Stock Exchange-listed firm with diversified operations in interior construction, asbestos abatement, energy recovery, electrical supplies distribution, and industrial and electrical products manufacturing.

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ARLINGTON, TEXAS (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - BizMart Inc. (NASDAQ: BZMT), one of the nations's fastest-growing office products superstore retailers, today reported a positive swing in profitability on a 114 percent gain in sales for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 that ended Oct. 27, 1990.

Net profit was $317,000 or $.03 per share on sales of $62.6 million for the second quarter, compared with a net loss of $271,000 or 3 cents per share on sales of $29.2 million for the second quarter of last year.

For the six months of fiscal 1991, sales were up 127 percent to $110.9 million from $48.9 million a year ago. The net loss of $798,000 for the first half of this year was significantly reduced from last year's $2.1 million loss.

"As we noted at the end of October, 21 of our 45 Office Products Supercenters were in operation during the second quarters of both years. These comparable stores produced a very solid 23-percent gain in same-store sales in this year's second quarter," said Ron Stegall, president and chief executive officer. "We are pleased with the return to profitability in the second quarter following our first profitable quarters in the last half of fiscal 1990."

Stegall noted that four stores were opened during the second quarter,

including the first store in the Pacific Northwest in the Portland, Ore., market. During the second half of the fiscal year, BizMart plans to open a second store in Portland and three in northern California, a new market for the company.

"Our decision to almost fully develop the Houston market in just five months has impacted our current quarter and year-to-date results," said Stegall. "This impact is most noticeable in the company's sales and in the gross margin percentage, which includes occupancy expenses on the lower sales of these new stores. All of these units are still ramping up during this initial period of operation in the Houston market.

"While sales in Houston, which includes nine of the 13 stores we've opened this year, have been somewhat slower than originally anticipated, we believe that trends indicate that this major Southwestern market will provide excellent longer-term results," added Stegall.

"Once again we were very effective during the second quarter in controlling expenses at all levels of the company," said Stegall. "Store expenses as a percent of sales were lower than a year ago, and corporate overhead continued at 3.3 percent of sales, versus 4.0 percent a year ago.

"With the fiscal year half completed, BizMart remains in very strong financial condition, with no debt and more than $24 million in cash," Stegall pointed out. "Between this available cash and the stores' growing cash flow, we are in excellent position to continue our rapid store expansion program."

BizMart currently operates 45 high-volume Office Products Supercenters in 15 markets in Texas, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Oregon.

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AUSTIN, TEXAS (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Con-Way Southwest Express today won Texas Railroad Commission approval to purchase an existing certificate for intrastate transportation of goods between dozens of Texas communities.

"The Texas Railroad Commission today acted in the public's interest by allowing the transfer of this intrastate certificate," said John Hickerson, president of Con-Way Southwest. "The decision will translate into substantial benefits for Texas, including many new jobs for Texans and overall improved efficiency in intrastate transportation."

Con-Way Southwest opened its headquarters in the Dallas/Fort Worth area in November 1989 and began operations as an interstate common carrier handling

commercial and industrial freight shipments to and from about 4,000 communities in Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Mississippi, western Tennessee and south Alabama. Approximately 220 of Con-Way Southwest's employees reside in Texas.

"This is an important milestone for our company. We're looking forward to bringing our 99.7 percent on-time service to shippers and receivers in all of our intrastate Texas markets," Hickerson said.

Today's vote by the Texas Railroad Commission culminates a careful review of this important transaction and clears the way for Con-Way Southwest to begin intrastate operations in Texas.

"Con-Way Southwest provides customers with quality transportation services, which results in numerous benefits to the shipping public," Hickerson said. "The Texas Railroad Commission obviously considered these benefits in approving our certificate purchase."

Primary markets to be served under the intrastate certificate include Houston, Dallas, San Antonio, Austin, Beaumont, Fort Worth, Corpus Christi, Waco, Temple, Laredo, Brownsville, McAllen and Harlingen.

Con-Way Southwest is one of four next-day motor carriers operated by Con-Way Transportation Services, a regional trucking and intermodal freight services company.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Forstmann & Company, Inc. today announced that it has successfully completed its consent solicitation of holders of its 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes due April 15, 1999. Holders of $94,735,000 of the $100,000,000 of the outstanding principal amount of the 14-3/4 percent senior subordinated notes have furnished consents to the proposed amendments of the notes. Such proposed amendments to the notes were completed and are effective as of today.

In connection with the consent solicitation and its recapitalization, the company also extended its existing credit facility with Citibank, N.A. and other lenders until Nov. 2, 1992, exchanged its outstanding senior adjustable rate exchangeable preferred stock for common stock and new 5 percent senior (pay-in-kind) preferred stock of the company and received $4 million in cash from Odyssey Partners, L.P. for 55 percent of the common stock of the company.

Christopher L. Schaller, president and chief executive officer of Forstmann stated, "We are very pleased with the successful completion of our recapitalization and to have reached an accommodation with our senior lenders and noteholders. We are also grateful to our customers and vendors who have been very supportive during the past several months. Our new financial structure, along with our well-defined business and operating plan, will allow us to continue to provide the finest quality products and services and to compete more effectively in the industry."

Forstmann & Company, Inc. is the largest domestic manufacturer of woolen and woolen-blend fabrics, and the second largest domestic manufacturer of worsted and worsted-blend fabrics.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - R. D. Hubbard today announced that he has reached an agreement with Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises Inc. under which the company has confirmed that the Hollywood Park Realty poison pill does not apply to public proxy contests or consent solicitations. Hollywood Park Realty trades over-the-counter as a paired security with Hollywood Park Operating Company (NASDAQ: HTRFZ).

Under the agreement, Hubbard is dismissing the lawsuit filed by him in the Chancery Court of Delaware as it pertains to Hollywood Park Realty and its board of directors. He said that he intends to offer the board of directors of Hollywood Park Operating Company an opportunity to settle his lawsuit against it on the same basis.

Hubbard also announced that he has been elected to the Hollywood Park Realty Board of Directors, effective immediately. Accordingly, Hubbard said that he does not intend to proceed with his previously announced plans to conduct a proxy contest for the Realty board at its forthcoming annual meeting. However, Hubbard said that unless a satisfactory settlement is reached with the Hollywood Park Operating Company Board of Directors, he intends to proceed with the previously announced proxy contest and consent solicitation relating to the Operating Company.

In announcing the settlement, Hubbard said "I am delighted that the entire matter of a proxy contest for the Realty company and the Delaware litigation has been amicably settled with Realty's Board of Directors. These independent directors concurred in my view that a proxy contest relative to ResLvy was an unnecessary expense and that working together would best serve the interests of Realty stockholders.

"I have similarly advised the Board of Directors of Hollywood Park Operating Company that it has consistently been my desire to avoid a costly and unproductive proxy contest or consent solicitation. I regret that, to date, the independent directors of the Operating Company have not seen fit to take the actions, including replacing Ms. Marjorie Everett as chief executive officer, which could alleviate the necessity for a proxy contest or consent solicitation. It is my hope, however, that they will conclude that this course of action is in the best interest of all of Hollywood Park's stockholders and that ultimately a proxy contest or consent solicitation for the Operating Company will not be necessary."

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Unitog Co. (NASDAQ: UTOG) announced today that its revenues for the third quarter of fiscal 1991, which ended Oct. 28, 1990, were $35,061,000, an increase of $2,311,000 or 7.1 percent over the third quarter of fiscal 1990.

On Oct. 22, 1990, the company announced that based on new information received during the third quarter from its workers' compensation insurance carrier, it would revise its estimates of workers' compensation expense. This revision has resulted in a pre-tax charge of approximately $1.6 million in the third quarter of fiscal 1991. The charge represents the amount by which current estimates of workers' compensation expenses for injuries sustained in fiscal 1989 and 1990 and the first two quarters of fiscal 1991 exceed the amounts expensed for such periods. Of the total charge, approximately $300,000 relates to fiscal 1989 injuries, $625,000 relates to fiscal 1990 injuries and $675,000 relates to injuries sustained in the first two quarters of the current fiscal year. The company also experienced reduced margins which were caused in large part by the recent softness in the economy and associated cost increases, increased delivery costs and additional workers' compensation accruals for the third quarter. The pre-tax charge and reductions in margins lowered operating income to $907,000 for the third quarter, a decrease of $2,508,000 as compared to the third quarter of fiscal 1990.

For the third quarter of fiscal 1991, the company incurred a net loss of $197,000, or 4 cents per share, compared to net income of $1,425,000, or 28 cents per share, for the third quarter of fiscal 1990.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1991, revenues were $101,824,000, an increase of $7,495,000 or 7.9 percent over the comparable period last year. Operating income was $6,237,000, a decrease of $1,831,000, or 22.7 percent compared to the first nine months of fiscal 1990. Net earnings of $1,594,000 represents a decrease of $720,000 or 31.1 percent compared to the first nine

months of fiscal 1990. Net earnings per share were 32 cents per share for the first nine months of fiscal 1991 as compared to 51 cents for the like period last year. The weighted average shares outstanding for the first nine months of fiscal 1991 reflect a 10.8 percent increase over the comparable period of fiscal 1990.

The fiscal 1991 results reflect previously announced rental acquisitions in the Scranton, Penn.; Denver; South Bend, Ind. and Huntsville, Ala. market areas.

Unitog, based in Kansas City, provides uniforms and other rental services to a variety of industries and sells custom-designed uniforms. The company manufactures substantially all the uniforms it rents or sells.

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EDEN PRAIRIE, MN (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation announced today that it has reduced its workforce by a total of 16 employees in a combination of lay-offs and voluntary terminations. The employees affected are primarily in production and operations. A. Dube, president and chief executive officer, said that the reductions are to redirect the company's resources to sales activities and that the company expects to add additional sales personnel.

The company now has a total of 164 employees worldwide.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - BJ Services Co. (NYSE: BJS), announced that earnings per share for the fiscal year and fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $1.42 and .53 cents per share, respectively. These earnings were achieved on revenues of $350 million for the fiscal year and $97 million for the quarter. Earnings for the fiscal year and quarter improved by 76 percent and 23 percent, respectively, over the comparable periods of the prior year. These improvements were achieved despite $500,000 of additional expenses directly associated with becoming a public entity in July 1990. In addition, the prior year's quarter included $2 million of non-recurring income from the sale of property and the reduction of insurance reserves due to favorable claims experience.

President and Chief Executive Officer J.W. Stewart commented, "It is impressive that we were able to achieve this significant earnings improvement, while at the same time increase our research and development, marketing and

capital expenditures in anticipation of an upturn in the oil service industry. Near the end of the quarter, we saw the first signs of remedial activity increases resulting in increased stimulation revenues. As the U.S. rig count nears 1,200, we should begin to see capacity constraints in the pumping services segment which, in turn, could lead to significantly better pricing for our services. In the long term, however, we believe that the increased spending by the major oil companies will occur overseas, where we are well positioned in most of the key markets."

	Three Months Ended		Fiscal Year Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
	(In thousands, except per share data)			
Revenues	$96,950	$83,547	$350,217	$316,989
Income before income taxes	9,804	8,703	27,670	18,378
Income taxes	2,908	3,152	7,187	7,670
Net income	6,896	5,551	18,483	10,708
Earnings per share(i)	.53	.43	1.42	.82

(i) Assumes 13 million performa shares outstanding for each period presented.

BJ Services is a leading provider of pressure pumping services to the petroleum industry.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Networked Picture Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: NPSI), a supplier of electronic design and prepress systems to the professional color printing industry, today announced that revenues for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $48,837 and $994,272, respectively. These amounts represent 90 percent and 1 percent decreases from the corresponding periods in 1989, during which sales were $469,852 and $1,002,139, respectively.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, NPS posted a new loss of $1,421,088, representing a 19 percent increase over the loss of $1,192,189 for the like period in 1989. The net loss of $342,178 for the three months ended Sept. 30 1990, represents a 17 percent improvement from the loss of $410,452 for the corresponding period in 1989. The company indicated that the improvement for the third fiscal quarter of 1990 is due in part to gains related to debt restructuring with certain unsecured creditors, and is not indicative of results to be expected for future periods.

Frank S. Greene, Jr., president of NPS, commented that, "Much of the decrease in sales is due to delays with customer acceptance for third quarter orders. These delays resulted from start-up performance problems in our systems and

some of the third party peripherals. Our reduction in revenues is also due to difficulties in securing new orders from current and prospective customers. We started promoting our products with new third-party sales reps and distributors this quarter, so we're expecting to see a recovery in sales over the next several quarters."

NPS' proprietary software is at the core of its line of high performance IBM-compatible color electronic prepress systems. The Page Express(R) system performs a significant portion of the prepress functions currently performed on relatively expensive electronic publishing workstations. NPS' new Design Express(TM) system is used for electronic photo retouch and graphic design tasks, and the new Express Tinter(TM) was recently introduced as a system for colorizing black-and-white images and PostScript-generated linework.

NPS markets its systems principally to color separation trade shops, photographers, graphic designers, printers, and their clients that demand cost effective, high quality color printing. NPS systems are compatible with the leading commercial scanners and film plotters such as those supplied by Scitex Hell, Crossfield, and Dai Nippon Screen, as well as the new film plotter supplied by Optronics. In addition, the page description data from PostScript language files created with popular desktop publishing programs such as Aldus PageMaker, QuarkXpress, and Ventura Publisher are used by NPS with its image processing capabilities to generate printed pages consisting of electronically typeset linework combined with continuous tone full color images.

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ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Jones Intercable Investors L.P. (AMEX: JTV), a publicly-traded master limited partnership for which Jones Intercable Inc. (NASDAQ: JOIN) serves as general partner, today announced financial results for its third quarter of 1990, which ended Sept. 30, as well as its cash distribution for the fourth quarter of 15 cents per unit and its latest system appraisal value.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30 increased 13 percent from approximately $7.9 million in 1989 to approximately $9 million in 1990. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, revenues increased approximately 13 percent from approximately $23.3 million in 1989 to approximately $26.4 million for the like period in 1990. These increases are attributed to gains in subscribers and basic service rate adjustments implemented in both cable television systems owned by the partnership in February and March 1990. Equivalent basic subscribers in the two systems increased approximately 12,612 or 11 percent, from approximately 117,903 at Sept. 30, 1989 to approximately 130,515 at Sept. 30, 1990. This increase is due in part to the construction

of 66 miles of cable plant, which passes approximately 3,300 homes since Sept. 30, 1989.

Operating, general and administrative expenses increased approximately $885,000 or approximately 24 percent, and approximately $1.8 million, or 16 percent, for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, due to increased programming costs, marketing expenses and personnel costs. In addition, during the third quarter of 1989, operating, general and administrative expenses were reduced by approximately $525,000, representing capitalized overhead related to 1989 construction projects. In the like period in 1990, only approximately $185,000 of such costs were capitalized.

Operating income before depreciation and amortization for the three-month period was approximately $3.34 million, an increase of 1 percent from approximately $3.30 million reported for the like period in 1989. Adjusting for the effect of the capitalized overhead discussed above, third quarter 1990 operating income before depreciation and amortization would have increased 13 percent over the prior year. For the nine-month period, operating income before depreciation and amortization increased approximately 11 percent, from approximately $8.9 million in 1989 to approximately $9.9 million in 1990.

Jones Intercable is one of the largest cable television operators in the United States. It is also the world's largest television management company with cable operations in 20 states.

For more detailed financial information, contact the Corporate Communications department of Jones Intercable at 303-792-3111 or write 9697 E. Mineral Ave., Englewood, CO 80112.

JONES INTERCABLE INVESTORS L.P.
(A Limited Partnership)
Financial Highlights

	For The Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Percent Increase
	1990	1989	(Decrease)
Revenues	$8,978,090	$7,948,843	13
Operating income before depreciation and amortization	3,347,335	3,308,356	1(a)
Depreciation and amortization	4,137,318	4,904,468	(16)
Net loss	$2,322,821	$2,798,195	(17)
Allocation of net loss:			
General partner	$(23,228)	$(27,982)	(17)
Class A and Class B unitholders	$(2,299,593)	$(2,770,213)	(17)
Weighted average number of Class A and Class B			

units outstanding	8,322,632	8,322,632	---
Net loss per unit:			
Net loss per Class A and Class B units	$(.28)	$(.33)	(15)

(a) During third quarter 1989, operating, general and administrative expenses were reduced by approximately $525,000, representing capitalized overhead related to 1989 construction projects. In the like period in 1990, approximately $185,000 of such costs were capitalized.

CONTACT: Jim Carlson or Nancy Reed Long of Jones Intercable Investors L.P., 303-792-3111

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CHULA VISTA, CALIF. (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - First International Bank (OTC "Pink Sheets") today announced the appointment of Suzanne Baril as vice president and manager of the Bankcard Department. Her role will be to oversee and develop the bank's newly expanded Merchant and Consumer Bankcard programs, while also initiating an effective computer terminal management system. Offering both VISA and MasterCard at a current interest rate of 17.8 percent, First International Bank plans a major expansion in this department.

Baril was formerly an assistant vice president of The Bank of San Diego where she managed the business bankcard department. She has vast experience and expertise in bankcard sales and management.

A graduate of Polyvalente de Victoriaville, Quebec, Baril has been an active participant in major credit card seminars and conferences throughout California. Her former employers also include First Interstate Bank and San Diego Trust & Savings Bank.

"We're delighted to have Ms. Baril join our team of banking professionals as First International Bank continues to expand its ability to provide the highest quality services to its valued customers," said President Norman E. Richins.

CONTACT: Beverly Miller of Beverly Miller Consulting, 619-280-5805, for First International Bank, or Jim Markham of First International Bank, 619-425-5000, ext. 247

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ: HTRFZ) announced today that R.D. Hubbard had been elected to its board of directors which was expanded to nine members.

Warren B. Williamson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises Inc., said "We are delighted that R.D. Hubbard has joined us as a member of the board. Mr. Hubbard is an exceedingly successful businessman, is a horse racing enthusiast and brings to the company his considerable experience operating other race tracks."

Realty also announced that it had entered into an agreement with Hubbard whereby he agreed to dismiss Realty and each of its directors from a Delaware lawsuit he filed regarding the company's poison pill. Under the agreement, Realty agreed that the poison pill does not apply to public proxy contests or public consent solicitations not made in conjunction with tender or exchange offers.

Hubbard also agreed to drop his proxy contest against Hollywood Park Realty, assuming he is put on Hollywood Park Realty's slate for director nominees.

CONTACT: Brian Leck of Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises Inc., 213-622-5555

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#90323p8562 11/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
OLYMPIA, WASH (NOV. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Teams assessing flood damage to homes in Snohomish County found more than $1.5 million in damage during surveys completed Monday, according to the Washington State Department of Community Development.

This increases the total estimated damage to residential properties in Whatcom Skagit and Snohomish counties to more than $14.3 million.

These preliminary figures include only estimates of damage to homes, mobile homes and rental properties used as a primary residence, and do not include damage to personal property inside the affected structures, motor vehicles, agricultural lands and production, nor damage to public facilities.

CONTACT: Mark Stewart of the Washington State Department of Community Development, 206-438-7737 (office), or 206-848-5382 (home), or 206-791-1283 (cellular)

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#90323u0007 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 19) UPI - NFL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Detroit	0	0	0	0-- 0
NY Giants	7	13	0	0--20

FIRST QUARTER

NYG-Baker 33 pass from Simms (Bahr kick), 6:26

SECOND QUARTER

NYG-FG Bahr 24, 3:42
NYG-Ingram 57 pass from Simms (Bahr kick), 13:28
NYG-FG Bahr 49, 15:00

THIRD QUARTER

No scoring.

FOURTH QUARTER

No scoring.

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	Det	NYG
First downs	15	15
Rushes-yards	16--75	38--144
Passing yards	133	170
Sacked-yards lost	4--27	0--0
3rd down eff.	2--10--20	7--13--54
4th down eff.	1--3--33	0--0--0
Passes	32--20--1	19--13--0
Punts	5--29.8	4--40.5
Punt returns-yds	0--0	0--0
KO returns-yds	3--60	1--21
Fumbles-lost	2--1	1--0
Penalties-yards	3--21	5--34
Time of possession	25:41	34:19

Houston	7	7	0	21--35
Cleveland	6	7	3	7--23

FIRST QUARTER

Cle-Newsome 13 pass from Kosar (kick failed), 1:37
Hou-White 3 pass from Moon (Garcia kick), 8:10

SECOND QUARTER
Cle-Gainer 1 run (Kauric kick), 11:03
Hou-Jeffires 46 pass from Moon (Garcia kick), 14:40

THIRD QUARTER
Cle-FG Kauric 22, 9:26

FOURTH QUARTER
Hou-Duncan 37 pass from Moon (Garcia kick), 3:19
Hou-T.Jones 23 pass from Moon (Garcia kick), 7:25
Hou-Givins 7 pass from Moon (Garcia kick), 9:44
Cle-Langhorne 4 pass from Kosar (Kauric kick), 12:59

A-76,726

	Hou	Cle
First downs	21	21
Rushes-yards	19--94	22--98
Passing yards	284	263
Sacked-yards lost	5--38	3--16
3rd down eff.	6--9--67	5--10--50
4th down eff.	0--0--0	1--2--50
Passes	24--32--0	25--35--2
Punts	3--48.7	2--39
Punt returns-yds	2--34	1-(-4)
KO returns-yds	4--65	6--97
Fumbles-lost	4--2	3--2
Penalties-yards	9--43	7--40
Time of possession	30:23	29:37

New England	0	0	0	0- 0
Buffalo	7	0	0	7-14

FIRST QUARTER
Buf-Thomas 5 run (Norwood kick), 8:24

SECOND QUARTER
No Scoring

THIRD QUARTER
No Scoring

FOURTH QUARTER
Buf-Thomas 80 run (Norwood kick), 13:22

A-74,720.

	NE	Buf
First downs	18	14
Rushes-yards	32--90	30--209
Passing yards	196	67
Sacked-yards lost	4--38	2--12
3rd down eff.	8--17--47.0	2--9--22.0
4th down eff.	0--2--00.0	0--0--00.0

Passes	33--21--2	15--5--0
Punts	7--36.6	6--38.7
Punt returns-yds	4--33	2--18
KO returns-yds	2--47	1--19
Fumbles-lost	1--0	0--0
Penalties-yards	7--71	4--30
Time of posession	34:30	25:30

New Orleans	7	3	0	7--17
Washington	3	14	7	0--31

FIRST QUARTER
NO-Perriman 16 pass from Walsh (Andersen kick), 4:36
Was-FG Lohmiller 39, 11:42

SECOND QUARTER
Was-Clark 8 pass from Rypien (Lohmiller kick), 1:18
NO-FG Andersen 38, 10:48
Was-Monk 7 pass from Rypien (Lohmiller kick), 14:53

THIRD QUARTER
Was-Clark 19 pass from Rypien (Lohmiller kick), 5:33

FOURTH QUARTER
Was-Bryant 3 pass from Rypien (Lohmiller kick), 0:45
NO-Turner 8 pass from Walsh (Andersen kick), 9:07

A-52,573

	NO	Was
First downs	24	24
Rushes-yards	24--93	29--112
Passing yards	274	311
Sacked-yards lost	0--0	0--0
3rd down eff.	8--12--67.0	11--15-73.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	1--2--50.0
Passes	23--39--3	26--39--0
Punts	1--41.0	1--24.0
Punt returns-yds	0--0	1--8
KO returns-yds	4--56	4--53
Fumbles-lost	1--1	1--1
Penalties-yards	4--31	4--27
Time of possessn	29:28	30:32

Philadelphia	0	7	0	17-24
Atlanta	0	10	3	10-23

FIRST QUARTER

No scoring

SECOND QUARTER
Atl-Johnson 1 run (Davis kick), 4:17
Phil-K.Jackson 1 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick), 13:14
Atl-FG Davis 53, 14:52

THIRD QUARTER
Atl-FG Davis 46, 11:38

FOURTH QUARTER
Atl-FG Davis 28, 1:31
Phil-K.Jackson 17 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick), 4:19
Phil-Williams 30 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick), 5:17
Atl-Rison 23 pass from Miller (Davis kick), 6:30
Phil-FG Ruzek 46, 13:15

A-53,755

	Phil	Atl
First downs	16	16
Rushes-yards	22--88	26--59
Passing yards	191	256
Sacked-yards lost	3--23	2--12
3rd down eff.	1--9--11.0	7--18--39.0
4th down eff.	0--0--0.0	0--0--0.0
Passes	16--27--0	19--41--0
Punts	6--44.5	5--40.4
Punt return-yards	2--3	3--12
KO return-yds	3--97	4--68
Fumbles-lost	2--2	2--1
Penalties-yards	7--42	8--41
Time of possessin	24:09	35:51

San Diego	3	0	7	0--10
Kansas City	10	7	3	7--27

FIRST QUARTER
KC-Birden 90 pass from DeBerg (Lowery kick), 1:49
KC-FG Lowery 36, 4:07
SD-FG Carney 42, 11:22

SECOND QUARTER
KC-B.Jones 2 pass from DeBerg, 7:16

THIRD QUARTER
SD-Walker 2 pass from Tolliver (Carney kick), 6:17
KC-FG Lowery 37, 12:49

FOURTH QUARTER
KC-B.Jones 6 pass from DeBerg (Lowery kick), 4:32

A-63,717

	SD	KC
First downs	21	16
Rushes-yards	24--99	36--132
Passing yards	187	165
Sacked-yards lost	2--16	1--6
3rd down eff.	5--12--41.7	7--16--43.8
4th down eff.	0--1--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	21--41--3	11--24--0
Punts	5--40.0	6--38.7
Punt returns-yds	4--10	4--15
KO returns-yds	6--122	3--34
Fumbles-lost	2--2	1--0
Penalties-yards	11--96	4--54
Time of possessin	27:57	32:03

NY Jets	3	5	6	0-14
Indianapolis	0	0	7	10-17

FIRST QUARTER
NYJ-FG Leahy 32, 9:52

SECOND QUARTER
NYJ-Safety, George tackled in end zone, 6:58
NYJ-FG Leahy 21, 11:49

THIRD QUARTER
NYJ-FG Leahy 29, 4:30
NYJ-FG Leahy 40, 9:33
Ind-Hester 43 pass from George (Biasucci kick), 12:17

FOURTH QUARTER
Ind-Morgan 3 pass from George (Biasucci kick), 7:38
Ind-FG Biasucci 38, 13:14

A-47,283

	NYJ	Ind
First downs	22	13
Rushes-yards	29--121	24--88
Passing yards	321	249
Sacked-yards lost	2--17	4--24
3rd down eff.	5--13--38.0	4--10--40.0

4th down eff.	0--1--0.0	1--1--100.0
Passes	27--42--0	14--22--1
Punts	3--34.3	3--40.3
Punt returns-yds	1--0	1--33
KO returns-yds	2--26	5--92
Fumbles-lost	2--1	0--0
Penalties-yards	8--75	4--30
Time of possessin	36:17	23:43

Green Bay	7	3	0	14	--24
Phoenix	0	7	7	7	--21

FIRST QUARTER
GB-Sharpe 36 pass from Majkowski (Jacke kick), 2:52

SECOND QUARTER
GB-FG Jacke 21, 7:41
Phx-Jones 22 pass from Rosenbach (Del Greco kick), 12:52

THIRD QUARTER
Phx-Green 27 pass from Rosenbach (Del Greco kick), 5:34

FOURTH QUARTER
Phx-Jones 25 pass from Rosenbach (Del Greco kick), 1:46
GB-Weathers 15 pass from Dilweg (Jacke kick), 8:40
GB-West 1 pass from Dilweg (Jacke kick), 14:44

A-46,878

	GB	Phx
First downs	22	21
Rushes-yards	25--125	27--161
Passing yards	250	280
Sacked-yards lost	3--17	1--5
3rd down eff.	5--11--45.0	6--10-60.0
4th down eff.	2--2--100.0	0--1--0.0
Passes	20--34--2	17--30--1
Punts	2--43.0	2--48.0
Punt returns-yards	1--14	2--4
KO returns-yards	3--42	2--30
Fumbles-lost	1--0	1--1
Penalties-yards	5--31	3--20
Time of possessin	31:35	28:25

Chicago	0	3	10	0	3	--16
Denver	3	3	0	7	0	--13

FIRST QUARTER

Den-FG Treadwell 27, 1:42.

SECOND QUARTER
Chi-FG Butler 37, 8:58
Den-FG Treadwell 24, 2:54

THIRD QUARTER
Chi-FG Butler 32, 5:04
Chi-Muster 10 run (Butler kick), 0:14

FOURTH QUARTER
Den-Elway 9 run (Treadwell kick), 1:14

OVERTIME
Chi-FG Butler, 1:46

A-75,013

	Chi	Den
First downs	21	21
Rushes-yards	45--204	27--108
Passing yards	139	222
Sacked-yards lost	2--8	6--40
3rd down eff.	3-14-21.0	5--14--36
4th down eff.	0--0-00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	13--29--0	24--41--0
Punts	8--44.8	7--41.1
Punt returns-yds	4--47	4--37
KO returns-ydsq	4--66	4--88
Fumbles-lost	1--0	3--1
Penalties-yards	6--33	6-35
Time of possession	40:02	33:12

Dallas	7	14	0	3	24
LA Rams	7	7	7	0	21

FIRST QUARTER
Rams-Gary 16 run (Lansford kick), 4:02
Dall-Irvin 10 pass from Aikman (Willis kick), 14:44

SECOND QUARTER
Rams-Gary 4 run (Lansford kick), 9:33
Dall-Agee 6 pass from Aikman (Willis kick), 12:31
Dall-Irvin 61 pass from Aikman (Willis kick), 13:53

THIRD QUARTER
Rams-Gary 1 run (Lansford kick), 4:24

FOURTH QUARTER
Dall-FG Willis 23, 10:36

A-58,589

	Dal	Rams
First downs	18	18
Rushes-yards	28--64	31--168
Passing yards	295	124
Sacked-yards lost	1--8	2--15
3rd down eff.	7--15--46.7	5--12--41.7
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	17--32--1	14--25--0
Punts	5--42.4	7--42.3
Punt returns-yds	6--57	4--33
KO returns-yds	3--61	5--81
Fumbles-lost	2--0	4--1
Penalties-yards	8--62	10--78
Time of possessin	30:23	29:37 (refiling with tab)

Pittsburgh	0	0	0	3	-	3
Cincinnati	7	3	14	3	-	27

FIRST QUARTER

Cin-Woods 5 run (Breech kick), 12:59

SECOND QUARTER
Cin-FG Breech 21, 11:36

THIRD QUARTER
Cin-Baylor 1 run (Breech kick), 3:51
Cin-Bussey 70 fumble return (Breech kick), 14:28

FOURTH QUARTER

Pit-FG Anderson 31, 3:47
Cin-FG Breech 23, 11:10

A-60,064

	Pit	Cin
First downs	11	20
Rushes-yards	18--94	40--178
Passing yards	112	134
Sacked-yards lost	0--00	0--00
3rd down eff.	3--10--30	8--13--61
4th down eff.	0--0--00	0--1--00

Passes	14--27--0	10--16--1
Punts	5-33.6	1-33.0
Punt returns-yards	1--0	0--0
KO returns-yards	6--171	2--73

Minnesota	7	7	0	10-24
Seattle	7	7	0	7-21

FIRST QUARTER
Sea-Blades 9 pass from Krieg (Johnson kick, 9:03
Minn-Jones 8 pass from Gannon (Reveiz kick), 14:06

SECOND QUARTER
Minn-A. Carter 11 pass from Gannon (Reveiz kick), 7:13
Sea-Blades 5 pass from Krieg (Johnson kick), 1:22

THIRD QUARTER
No scoring

FOURTH QUARTER
Sea-Fenner 1 run (Johnson kick), 7:58
Minn-Walker 58 run (Reveiz kick), 12:32
Minn-FG Feveiz 24, 15:00

A-64,588

	Minn	Sea
First downs	14	17
Rushes-yards	24--141	32--101
Passing yards	161	132
Sacked-yards lost	3--16	1--6
3rd down eff.	6--15--40.0	4--13--30.8
4th down eff.	0--0	0--0
Passes	19--33--0	13--28--1
Punts	8--48.9	7--37.9
Punt returns-yds	2--4	3--60
KO returns-yds	4--64	4--93
Fumbles-lost	2--1	0--0
Penalties-yards	5--31	2--20
Time of posessin	28:19	31:41

Tampa Bay	0	0	7	0-	7
San Francisco	7	10	7	7-	31

FIRST QUARTER
SF-Jones 11 pass from Montana (Cofer kick) 5:58

SECOND QUARTER

SF-FG Cofer 24 4:48
SF-Jones 4 pass from Montana (Cofer kick) 13:04

THIRD QUARTER
TB-Haddix 65 interception return (Christie kick) 2:51
SF-Craig 10 run (Cofer kick) 10:25

FOURTH QUARTER
SF-Sydney 1 run (Cofer kick) 14:56

A-62,221

	TB	SF
First downs	13	22
Rushes-yards	22--102	29--152
Passing yards	78	241
Sacked-yards lost	7--47	1--3
3rd down eff.	8--16--50	9--15--60
4th down eff.	1--3--33.0	1--1-100.0
Passes	13--29--1	24--36--1
Punts	4--41.0	36.7
Punt returns-yds	1--7	2--7
KO returns-yds	5--102	2--41
Fumbles-lost	1--0	0--0
Penalties-yards	2--15	2--20
Time of possession	26:50	33:10

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#90323u0021 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 19) UPI - Leaders of 22 NATO and Warsaw nations signed a massive conventional arms treaty today in Paris. The accord ends four decades of Cold War tension by eliminating the risk of a surprise attack in Europe.

President Bush and Soviet President Gorbachev are among the leaders attending a 34-nation summit in the French capital. Bush and Gorbachev talked about the Persian Gulf crisis during dinner at the U-S Embassy tonight.

In the Persian Gulf, Iraq today announced that it will send an additional 250-thousand troops to Kuwait. American officials estimate there are already about 400-thousand Iraqi troops in Kuwait, which Iraq invaded August 2nd.

A building in the early stages of construction collapsed tonight in Washington. Authorities are working to secure the site to search for possible victims in the heap of steel and concrete four blocks from the White House.

Witnesses say saw flames and smoke that looked to be electrically- generated at the site, but fire officials could NOT confirm the source. Witnesses and

some officials say they heard an explosion-like roar before the collapse.

Frank Lorenzo says unless the federal government acts soon to lower jet fuel prices, four or five U-S airlines may go out of business. The former Texas Air Corporation chairman did NOT name specific carriers he believes are in danger.

California Governor George Deukmejian banned all hiring of new employees in the executive branch of state government today. The move is an effort to save one-BILLION dollars to cope with a feared revenue shortfall.

Hospital officials say a second infant who underwent a living-donor liver transplant at University of Chicago Hospitals has died in Memphis. Doctors say 17-month-old Carrie Ring died of an infection unrelated to the transplant.

Police officers and horrified tourists looked on as a man set fire to himself and burned to death on the steps of the U-S Capitol. Police found NO note and there was NO evidence that the man's action was meant as a protest.

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#90323u0027 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 19) UPI - President Bush told the leaders of 33 other nations today at a European summit in Paris that their success on the continent could be undermined if Iraqi aggression in Kuwait continues. He accused Iraq of ''shameless'' disregard for the rule of law. Soviet President Gorbachev , however, counseled patience in seeking a peaceful solution to the crisis, though he said the U-N Security Council resolution demanding an Iraqi withdrawal must be implemented.

Bush and Gorbachev and the leaders of 32 other nations are gathered in Paris for a three-day summit of the Conference on Security and Co- operation in Europe. The summit opened with the leaders of the Warsaw Pact and NATO nations signing a historic treaty for major reductions in conventional weapons in Europe. French President Francois Mitterrand welcomed the leaders this morning telling them they were present for the dawning of a new age.

The official Iraq News Agency grabbed some headlines away from the European summit today with word that Saddam Hussein is ordering another quarter-Million troops to Kuwait. The report says Saddam ordered the new troop movements because of the possibility of an attack by the U-S-led multi-national force.

In the region itself, heavy seas forced U-S military officials to cancel an amphibious assault exercise involving American and Saudi troops. The weather had forced postponement of the exercise yesterday, but the windy and wavy conditions continued today, forcing officials to scrub it entirely.

Senator Dennis DeConcini delivered an angry defense today in front of the Senate Ethics Committee in Washington. The Arizona Democrat is the last of the

so-called Keating Five senators to address the panel in a bid to be cleared of influence-peddling accusations. During an impassioned, two-hour personal defense, DeConcini said his actions relating to indicted savings and loan owner Charles Keating Junior were legitimate constituent service involving an important home-state businessman. Special counsel Robert Bennett later said DeConcini was trying to shift attention away from the conduct that led to the hearings. As Bennett put it- ''When you don't like the message here on Capitol Hill, you burn the messenger.''

A group of doctors and medical researchers went to Capitol Hill today to urge the government lift its ban on the French abortion pill. They say promising medical research into diseases ranging from breast cancer to AIDs is suffering... because of the ban on the abortion pill. Congressman Ron Wyden, an Oregon Democrat, joined in urging the Food and Drug Administration to end the ban.

The doctor who heads the government's AIDS research effort says The National Institutes of Health should devote NO more than 10 percent of its overall budget to the deadly disease. Dr. Anthony Fauci says that's about the level now being spent and to increase it would mean encroaching on research to find cures for other diseases including cancer. In fiscal 1988, the government spent one-BILLION 300-Million dollars on aids research, treatment and prevention.

Twentieth Century Fox says its comedy ''Home Alone'' set a fall- season box-office record during the weekend... taking in more than 17- Million dollars. The three-day figure tops the previous high for a movie released in the same period. That was just last year with Columbia's ''Look Who's Talking.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	353.35	350.85	352.73	up	1.88
Industrial	380.29	376.59	380.28	up	3.69
Finance	350.69	347.42	348.16	off	1.68
Insurance	420.56	417.00	418.73	up	1.41
Utility	465.51	455.72	458.67	off	0.56
Bank	253.68	252.07	252.60	up	2.30
Transport	388.05	383.83	386.47	up	1.10

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985

equals 250)

Composite Index	155.19 up 0.89
Industrial Index	151.17 up 1.57
NASDAQ-100 Index	374.08 up 4.16
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.02 up 0.04
Volume	85,303,500 shares
Advances	841
Declines	677
Unchanged	1,228
Total	2,746

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter --day as supplied by NASD.

Volume	108,265,400
Advances	973
Declines	832
Unchanged	2,407
Total	4,212

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 440.34, up 0.55 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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(NOV. 19) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

New Jersey	2	1	1-4
Philadelphia	0	1	0-1

First period-1, New Jersey, Crowder 5 (Boschman), 0:38. 2, New Jersey, Muller 7 (Stastny, MacLean), pp, 16:45.

Penalties-O'Connor, NJ, 11:23; Sutter, Phi, 11:23; Crowder, NJ, 12:52; Horacek Phi, 12:52; Samuelsson, Phi, 15:59; Crowder, NJ, major (fighting), 16:51; Berube, Phi, major (fighting), 16:51; Stewart, NJ, major (fighting), 17:15; Horacek, Phi, major (fighting), 17:15.

Second period-3, Philadelphia, Murphy 6 (Eklund), pp, 4:04. 4, New Jersey, Shanahan 6 (Brown, Kasatonov), 12:59.

Penalties-Chychrun, Phi, 0:56; Weinrich, NJ, 3:10; O'Connor, NJ, 5:23; Maley, NJ, 8:19; Baron, Phi, 16:31; MacLean, NJ, double-minor, 17:33; Carkner, Phi, double-minor, 17:33; Stastny, NJ, 17:35.

Third period-5, New Jersey, MacLean 11 (unassisted), 19:53.

Penalties-Stewart, NJ, 4:38; Samuelsson, Phi, 4:38; O'Connor, NJ, 8:30; Driver NJ, 11:25; Sutter, Phi, double-minor, 11:25; Tocchet, Phi, 12:32; Lemieux, NJ 17:50.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 8-11-5-24. Philadelphia 7-6-2-15.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 5-1. Philadelphia 6-1.

Goaltenders-New Jersey, Terreri. Philadelphia, Peeters. A-17,342.

Referee-Denis Morel.

St. Louis	2	0	1-3
Winnipeg	1	0	3-4

First period-1, St. Louis, Hull 20 (Stevens, Brown), pp, 1:22. 2. Winnipeg, Barber 1 (Cole, Evans), 6:07. 3, St. Louis, Hull 21 (G. Cavallini, Brind'Amour), 9:37.

Penalties-Steen, Wpg, 1:09; Steen, Wpg, 1:22; G. Cavallini, Stl, 13:56; Marois Stl, 16:57.

Second period-None.

Penalties-P. Cavallini, Stl, 8:13; Donnelly, Wpg, 11:51; Donnelly, Wpg, 15:42; P. Cavallini, Stl, 18:09.

Third period-4, St. Louis, Momesso 4 (MacLean, Wilson), 8:12. 5, Winnipeg, Ashton 2 (Paslawski, Housley), 10:29. 6, Winnipeg, Cole 3 (Arniel, Housley), sh, 13:13. 7, Winnipeg, Olczyk 6 (Housley, Olausson), pp, 16:25.

Penalties-Snepsts,Stl, 11:54; Osborne, Wpg, 11:54; Mantha, Wpg, 12:18; Featherstone, Stl, minor (misconduct), 15:29; MacLean, Stl, 18:58; Osborne, Wpg, 18:58.

Shots on goal-St. Louis 15-13-8-36. Winnipeg 8-11-8-27.

Power-play conversions-St. Louis 1-4. Winnipeg 1-5.

Goaltenders-St. Louis, Joseph. Winnipeg, Essensa. A-12,834.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

NY Islanders	0	0	1-1
Edmonton	2	0	1-3

First period-1, Edmonton, Klima 8 (Joseph, Messier), 8:08. 2, Edmonton, Simpson 8 (Huddy, Lamb), 13:45.

Penalties-Joseph, Edm, 5:32; King, NYI, 19:03.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Lowe, Edm, 3:12; Berg, NYI, 6:32; Messier, Edm, 6:59; Nylund, NYI, 7:52; Flatley, NYI, 13:09; Joseph, Edm, 17:45.

Third period-3, Edmonton, Middendorf 1 (Joseph), 5:47. 4, NY Islanders, Pilon 1 (Ferraro, Dalgarno), 7:03.

Penalties-Messier, Edm, 8:26; S. Smith, Edm, 11:01; Flatley, NYI, 11:31; Huddy Edm, 13:00; Pilon, NYI, 16:19; Nylund, NYI, 16:48; Edmonton bench (served by Simpson), 19:22.

Shots on goal-NY Islanders 12-8-12-32. Edmonton 11-9-8-28.

Power plays-NY Islanders 7-0, Edmonton 7-0.

Goaltenders-NY Islanders, Hackett. Edmonton, Ranford. A-16,721.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

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DALLAS (NOV. 19) UPI - Greyhound Lines Inc. filed a reorganization plan Monday designed to limit the bankrupt carrier's liability in a pending unfair labor practices case to $40 million - far less than what its potential liability could be.

Terms of the plan would give creditors 95 percent of the equity in a new company and $165 million in new notes, reduce the company's bus fleet by 26 percent and cut about 730 jobs.

Under the plan filed with U.S. Bankruptcy Court Judge Richard Schmidt in Corpus Christi, Texas, the company would concentrate mostly on passenger and package business, which together currently account for 90 percent of the carrier's total revenues.

If confirmed, the plan would reduce the company's total debt from about $631 million to about $460 million, of which about $150 million would be in secured bank debt.

The nation's largest bus transportation company filed for Chapter 11 federal bankruptcy protection from creditors June 4, three months after a sometimes violent strike by some 6,300 drivers. The drivers called the strike after negotiations broke down over a new contract, and Greyhound hired replacement workers.

The bus line was taken private in a $350 million leveraged buyout engineered in 1987 by an investor group led by Fred Currey, Greyhound's chairman.

''Our promise to creditors is to create a solid business without negative financial or legal contingencies,'' said George Hanthorn, the company's general counsel, in a statement.

''The five-year business plan, coupled with our carefully constructed legal plan to limit any potential claims from the National Labor Relations Board for liability, will fulfill that promise.''

The NLRB has filed unfair labor practice charges against Greyhound. If it loses the case, the company could be forced to rehire the striking workers and pay them millions of dollars in back pay. The back-pay figure could reach hundreds of millions of dollars, according to some estimates.

J. Michael Doyle, Greyhound's chief financial officer, said key conditions for confirmation of the reorganization plan are that the NLRB claim be classified as unsecured and that it not exceed $40 million.

Previously, the company has said the strikers have forefeited their right to have back-pay claims treated equally with those of other creditors because of the union's campaign of violence.

''The company believes the facts and the law in the labor dispute will sustain its position that there will be no NLRB back-pay liability, '' Hanthorn said.

Doyle said the reorganization plan calls for retaining Currey and the rest of senior management. Assuming the plan is confirmed, a new board would be formed with two directors and three outside directors.

Under the plan, the company said the $165 million of new 10-year notes paying interest of 10 percent would be the maximum debt it ''believes prudent.'' Equity held by present owners would be cancelled.

Money owed on secured bank debt, real estate mortages and bus leases would be paid in full.

On the equity side, the company would issue 10 million new common shares, 9.5 million of which would go to unsecured creditors. The other 500,000 would be contributed to an employee stock ownership plan.

The bankruptcy filing came after the company had missed some $16 million of interest, lease and principal payments. The company had listed assets of about $507 million and liabilities of $540 million.

The company also plans to reduce its bus fleet from about 3,700 to about 2,850.

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(NOV. 19) UPI - The Bush administration is dismissing as propaganda Iraq's announcement Sunday that it will begin releasing all foreign hostages by Christmas unless ''the atmosphere of peace'' is upset. Secretary of State Baker describes the latest move by Baghdad as ''cynical manipulation of innocent people's lives.''

The Persian Gulf crisis is expected to be a major topic of conversation when President Bush and other world leaders begin a three- day summit Monday in Paris. Bush... speaking in Germany before traveling to the French capital Sunday... warned against rewarding what he termed ''naked agression.''

The standoff that has hundreds of thousands of U-S troops stationed in the gulf is also on the minds of the five astronauts aboard the shuttle Atlantis. The crew broke radio silence Sunday to send send their wishes for a speedy trip home to Americans deployed in Saudia Arabia. Atlantis ends its mission Monday at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

Soviet President Gorbachev met with Pope John Paul for the second time within a year, telling reporters in Vatican City they agreed the pope should visit Moscow. Gorbachev declared after the private audience- quoting here- ''We will see each other on Soviet territory... We will talk about timing later.''

Massachusetts Democrat Barney Frank is recovering at a Boston hospital after suffering a mild heart attack after exercising Saturday night. Doctors say Frank went to the hospital for an exam after suffering chest pains. The 50-year-old liberal Democrat was elected to a sixth term earlier this month.

Republican party sources say former anti-drug enforcer William Bennett will likely replace Lee Atwater as the head of the Republican National Committee. The sources say Atwater would remain active in strategy and planning, while Bennett takes over day-to-day duties. Atwater is battling a brain tumor.

The world's oldest person celebrated her 116th birthday Sunday in Palatka, Florida. Carrie Joyner White's guardian says White has NOT told her the secret

of her longevity. But Marjorie Allen has her own theory. In her words- ''living in Florida would add years to anyone's life.

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(NOV. 19) UPI - The elite of the NFL, either through good timing or relentless efficiency, found the way to do what they were supposed to do Sunday - win.

The San Francisco 49ers trounced, the Chicago Bears escaped with an overtime field goal; in two shutouts, the Buffalo Bills didn't seal the victory until 98 seconds remained and the New York Giants were never threatened.

As a result, the NFL still has two 10-0 teams and two 9-1 clubs entering the Monday night game featuring the 8-1 Miami Dolphins.

''One really positive thing is we are moving forward,'' San Francisco linebacker Matt Millen said after the unbeaten 49ers trampled 4-7 Tampa Bay 31-7. ''We are not going back and this is the time of the year to do it.''

With the hurdle ahead in their mission of an undefeated season, the Giants took advantage of a lesser challenge in a 20-0 defeat of the Detroit Lions, 3-7. Now, the teams get tougher and motivation becomes easier.

''I told them I'm not worried about getting ready to play anymore,'' Parcells said. ''Because the level of competition will take care of itself.''

New York plays at Philadelphia next week, then visits San Francisco in a game that has received a two-month buildup, since the Giants and 49ers became the only remaining undefeated teams on Oct. 7.

The 49ers became the third team in NFL history to win 18 straight games spanning two seasons. Joe Montana became the first player to throw for 3,000 yards in seven straight seasons and Roger Craig rushed for his 50th career touchdown but the 49ers focused on this year's quest.

''We're playing better every week,'' tight end Brent Jones said. ''I think in the next couple weeks, we're going to have to take it up to the great level.''

The Giants play Buffalo at home Dec. 15 in a game that could offer close to the same level of competition as New York-San Francisco, if not the same hype.

The Bills, who blanked New England 14-0, have not lost since the second week of the season at Miami. Buffalo needed a goal-line stand, two interceptions and four sacks along with Thurman Thomas's two touchdowns against the 1-9 Patriots.

''We're just pleased we came away with a win, whether it was 14-0, 3- 0 or 7-6

'' Buffalo Coach Marv Levy said after his team won its eighth straight game.

Chicago Coach Mike Ditka would say ''Amen'' after a 16-13 overtime victory. The Bears, 9-1, beat the Broncos, 3-7, on Kevin Butler's 44- yard field goal with 1:46 remaining after he missed a 41-yard kick as regulation expired. Chicago has won five games since its only setback, against the Raiders.

''They never turned it over; they never made a mistake,'' Denver Coach Dan Reeves said. ''That's the kind of team they are. They're playing well, forcing you to beat them, and they're not helping you.''

In other games, Washington bombed New Orleans 31-17, Houston beat Cleveland 35-23, Philadelphia edged Atlanta 24-23, Kansas City downed San Diego 27-10, Indianapolis nipped the New York Jets 17-14, Green Bay got by Phoenix 24-21, Minnesota defeated Seattle 24-21, Dallas upended the Los Angeles Rams 24-21 and Cincinnati pounded Pittsburgh 27-3.

-- AROUND THE NFL --

Redskins 31, Saints 17

At Washington, Mark Rypien returned from an early-season knee injury to throw for four touchdowns against New Orleans. The victory keeps the Redskins, 6-4, in a superior position for an NFC wild-card playoff berth. The 4-6 Saints, who have lost their last six games to the Redskins, decreased their chances of making the playoffs. Washington's Gary Clark caught two TD passes among eight receptions for 151 yards.

Oilers 35, Browns 23

At Cleveland, Warren Moon celebrated his 34th birthday by throwing for 322 yards and five touchdowns, helping Houston spoil the debut of Jim Shofner as Browns head coach. Moon, who exceeded 300 yards passing for the third straight game and seventh time this year, completed 24 of 32 passes and was not intercepted, helping the Oilers reach 5-5. Cleveland, 2-8, lost its fifth straight game. Shofner took over Nov. 5, replacing Bud Carson.

Eagles 24, Falcons 23

At Atlanta, Roger Ruzek kicked a 46-yard field goal with 1:45 to play and Randall Cunningham threw three touchdown passes to rally Philadelphia, 6-4. The Falcons, 3-7, took a 23-21 lead with 8:30 left.

Chiefs 27, Chargers 10

At Kansas City, Mo., Steve DeBerg hit J.J. Birden for a 90-yard scoring play for the Chiefs' first offensive touchdown in 10 quarters and threw two touchdown passes to Bill Jones, ending San Diego's three- game winning streak.

The Kansas City offense had not scored a touchdown since just before halftime of its Oct. 21 game at Seattle. Kansas City, 6-4, snapped a five-game losing streak to the Chargers, who fell to 5-6.

Colts 17, Jets 14

At Indianapolis, Jeff George threw two second-half touchdown passes and Dean Biasucci kicked the winning field goal with 1:46 to play and the 4-6 Colts extended to eight quarters the Jets' streak without a touchdown. New York backup quarterback Tony Eason tried to lead a rally after starter Ken O'Brien was sidelined with a concussion. Pat Leahy kicked four field goals, extending his streak to 16 in a row, for the 4- 7 Jets.

Packers 24, Cardinals 21

At Tempe, Ariz., Anthony Dilweg stepped in for injured Don Majkowski and threw a 1-yard touchdown pass to Ed West with 16 seconds remaining to carry Green Bay. Phoenix suffered its fifth straight loss and dropped to 2-8 while Green Bay reached 5-5. Dilweg completed 11 of 21 for 134 yards after Majkowski was sidelined in the second quarter with a strained right shoulder. Majkowski completed 9 of 13 passes for 143 yards.

Vikings 24, Seahawks 21

At Seattle, Faud Reveiz kicked a 24-yard field goal on the last play of the game, leading Minnesota. The Vikings, 4-6, scored 10 points in the final 2:28 to win their third consecutive game. Herschel Walker ran 58 yards for a touchdown with 2:28 left to bring the Vikings into a 21- 21 tie. Seattle fell to 4-6.

Cowboys 24, Rams 21

At Anaheim, Calif., Troy Aikman threw for 303 yards and three touchdowns and Ken Willis broke a tie with a 23-yard field goal with 4:24 left, lifting Dallas. The 4-7 Cowboys won after moving from their 5 to the Los Angeles 6 in an 11-play drive that lasted nearly six minutes. Dallas rookie Emmitt Smith finished with four catches for 117 yards - the most receiving yards by a Cowboys' back since Herschel Walker's 170 yards in 1986. Los Angeles, 3-7, got TD runs of 16, 4 and 1 yards from Cleveland Gary. Gary gained 103 yards on 24 carries.

Bengals 27, Steelers 3

At Cincinnati, Barney Bussey grabbed a fumble and raced 70 yards for a touchdown and James Brooks rushed 105 yards on 20 carries against Pittsburgh to give the Bengals sole possession of first place in the AFC Central Division. Cincinnati, 6-4, and Pittsburgh, 5-5, came into the game tied for first. The loss dropped the Steelers into a second-place tie with Houston.

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NEW YORK (NOV 19) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	67	up 1-4
AT&T Company	31 7-8	off 1-8
BCE Inc	33 3-4	off 1-8
Bell Atlantic	53 3-8	up 3-8
BellSouth Corp	53 5-8	up 1-8
Exxon Corp	50 5-8	up 1-4
Ford Motor Co	27 5-8	off 1-4
Genl Electric	55 3-8	unch
General Motors	38 3-4	up 3-8
GTE Corp	28	up 3-8
IBM Corp	114 3-4	up 1 1-8
Mobil Oil Corp	57 3-4	off 1-8
Nynex Corp	71 1-2	up 1-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24 1-8	up 1-4
Pacific Telesis	45	off 1-8
Phila Electric	16 3-8	up 1-8
Sears Roebuck	26 1-2	up 5-8
Southern Co	26 1-2	up 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	52 1-2	off 3-8
US West Inc	37 3-4	up 7-8

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(NOV. 19) UPI - Leaders of 34 nations will formally end a four-decade era of Cold War tension at a European summit that begins Monday in Paris. The three-day meeting will be highlighted by the signing of a massive conventional arms treaty that removes the risk of surprise attack in Europe. The 160- page pace was penned Sunday in Vienna... where negotiators have met since March 1989.

Four Democrats and one Republican will once again face scrutiny as the Senate Ethics Committee resumes its hearings Monday into the so- called Keating Five. The panel is looking into links between the lawmakers and indicted savings and loan kingpin Charles Keating. Some of the lawmakers involved in the case say it highlights the need for campaign finance reform legislation.

U-S military officials say they'll try an amphibious landing involving U-S and Saudi marines again Monday. High winds and rough seas forced the partial scrubbing Sunday of the highly touted mock landing on a beach near the border with Iraqi-occuped Kuwait. As one military official explained- ''there's NO

sense endangering people unnecessarily for a training exercise.''

The U-S Supreme Court has refused to lift a restraining order barring Cable News Network from broadcasting taped conversations of Manuel Noreiga. The tapes involve telephone talks by the deposed Panamanian ruler from a Miami jail. Sunday's 7-2 ruling runs counter to the high court's historical refusal to allow prior straint on the publication or broadcast of news.

15 tons of cigarettes went up in smoke Sunday when a Soviet jet carrying the American-made haul crash-landed in northern Czechoslovakia. The plane radioed a Prague airport for an emergency landing... but did NOT make it the facility, crashing in northern Bohemia. All six crew members escaped with minor injuries... but the cigarettes went up in flames.

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(NOV. 19) UPI - President Bush and Soviet President Gorbachev conferred privately late today at the U-S Embassy in Paris, where both leaders are attending a 34-nation summit. Bush earlier told the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe that the world canNOT allow the law to be- in his words- ''shamelessly disregarded.'' Gorbachev spoke after Bush, calling for ''patience'' in allowing U-N sanctions to take effect against Iraq.

The crew aboard the shuttle Atlantis was told to stay in space today, leaving the astronauts- in the words of commander Richard Covey- ''all dressed up with NO place to go.'' Dangerous crosswinds at the Mojave Desert runway prompted NASA officials to delay today's scheduled landing at Edwards Air Force Base in California. But the forecast tomorrow calls for more high winds... raising the prospect of yet another postponement.

A tense day ahead for Margaret Thatcher. Britain's prime minister tomorrow faces her first serious threat to her hold on government. 372 Conservative members of Britain's parliament will participate in a secret vote that will decide whether Thatcher or Michael Heseltine leads the party. Thatcher today accused Heseltine, her former defense minister, of favoring opposition Labor Party policies.

Some economists and Americans feel differently... but the White House is sticking to its position that the nation has yet to enter a recession. The chairman of President Bush's Council of Economic Advisers described the economy as in a ''lull'' in an address today to the National Press Club in Washington. Last week, Bush conceded he is concerned about the economy.

Prosecutors in Los Angeles today amended the 42-count grand jury indictment against failed savings and loan executive Charles Keating Junior. Prosecutors added four counts to the list of criminal fraud accusations and re-worded the indictment to make it more specific. The former owner of Lincoln Savings goes

on trial next month. The price tag for Lincoln's failure is expected to total more than two-BILLION dollars, the most expensive thrift bailout on record.

The Illinois youth whose father tried to force a bone-marrow transplant from the child's half-siblings died today. A family attorney says 13-year-old Jean-Pierre Bosze died at home with his parents at his side. Jean-Pierre's father lost a court battle to force the mother of twins he fathered to have them tested to see if they'd be suitable bone marrow donors for his son.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Phibro Energy Inc. Monday said it had received Soviet approval along with a Swiss company to drill for oil in three Siberian oil fields.

The new joint venture with the U.S. division of Anglo-Suisse L.P. located in Houston ''will be the first of its kind to explore for and develop oil fields in the Soviet Union,'' said Phibro, a Greenwich, Conn., unit of New York-based Salomon Inc.

''We are very pleased to be the first foreign firm to receive permission to begin work in exploration and production,'' said Phibro President Andrews Hall.

The so-called ''White Knights'' venture is a 50-50 cooperative effort with the Varyegannefstegaz of the Soviet Union. It will drill about 550 new horizontal wells in the project area and will attempt to complete 100 ''shut-in'' wells.

Preliminary work has begun and plans are for the initial field work to start in January 1991, the Phibro statement said.

Phibro and Anglo-Suisse will be allowed to export their shares of the output under the terms of the agreement, which was approved by the Soviet Ministry of Oil and Gas Industry Oct. 31 and the Ministry of Finance Nov. 15, it said.

Texaco Inc., Chevron Corp. and ELF Aquitaine of Paris also have been studying the feasibility of joint oil ventures with the Soviet Union.

In September, a Chevron spokesman said the company hoped to have a deal ''by the end of the year.''

Salomon oil analyst Bernard Picchi said the Phibro deal is the first one for the actual ''exploitation'' of Soviet fields known to contain oil as opposed to exploration looking for oil.

Based on the number of wells being drilled, Picchi estimated the deal was worth in the ''hundreds of millions of dollars.''

Joint ventures with American and other western oil companies could prove important to the Soviet Union, which has not had the technology needed to fully exploit the potential of its oil fields.

The Soviet Union still is the world's largest producer of crude oil, even though its output has slipped in recent years to a little more than 11 million barrels a day.

Cheap Soviet oil was the glue that held together the former Soviet bloc of East European nations, which Moscow has said will have to start paying world prices for petroleum come January.

As a result, these East European nations are expected to start competing with the West for Middle East oil.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.70	9.33
Anchor Fund Inv	13.87	14.72
Delaware Mutual	16.75	17.96
Fidelity Fund	16.18	16.18
Investor Mutual	10.91	11.48
Investor Stocks	18.04	18.99
Investor Select	8.38	8.82
IDS Equity Plus	8.68	9.14
MFS Growth Stk	8.30	8.95
Nicholas Income	3.06	3.06
Utd Accumulated	6.08	6.64
United Income	16.55	18.09
Vang Wellington	16.18	16.18

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Barry Bonds completed Pittsburgh's sweep of major postseason awards Monday by easily beating out Pirate teammate Bobby Bonilla for National League Most Valuable Player honors.

Bonds received 23 of 24 first-place votes from a committee of the Baseball Writers Association of America. Bonds totalled 331 points and Bonilla, who collected the other first-place vote, had 212. Bonilla received 18 second-place votes.

Darryl Strawberry, who signed with the Dodgers after his contract with the Mets expired, finished third. Chicago second baseman Ryne Sandberg was fourth and Los Angeles first baseman Eddie Murray fifth.

Two writers from each National League city were asked to name 10 players on their ballots. The point system was 14 for first, 9 for second, 8 for third, etc.

The American League MVP will be announced Tuesday. Rickey Henderson of the Oakland Athletics is the leading candidate.

Bonds, son of former major leaguer Bobby Bonds, claimed the MVP in his fifth major league season. His father never won an MVP in 14 years.

Pirates Manager Jim Leyland was named NL Manager of the Year and Pittsburgh pitcher Doug Drabek won the NL Cy Young in voting by the BBWAA. Like Bonds, Drabek also received 23 first-place votes and a second in his election.

The three, along with Bonilla, guided the Pirates to the team's first division title since 1979. Pittsburgh beat out Strawberry's Mets by four games in the NL East, but lost to Cincinnati in the playoffs in six games. MVP ballots are cast before the playoffs begin.

Bonds, 26, batted .301 with 33 homers, 114 RBI and 52 stolen bases. The left-handed hitting outfielder also led the league with a .565 slugging percentage.

Bonilla, a switch hitter who batted in front of Bonds, hit .280 with 32 home runs and 120 RBI. Strawberry, who two weeks ago signed a five- year contract worth $20.5 million with the Dodgers, belted 37 home runs with 108 RBI, while batting .277.

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PARIS (NOV. 19) UPI - President Bush, following talks with a go-slow Mikhail Gorbachev, deferred a decision Monday on whether to seek a U.N. resolution that would authorize a possible military attack against Saddam Hussein.

''There are still people we need to talk to (that) they want to talk to - so we simply have not reached the point of decision yet,'' White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said after a dinner meeting between two leaders.

Fitzwater said Bush did not specifically ask the Soviet president, who urged ''patience'' earlier in the day, whether he would support a U.N. war resolution. Instead, he said, they discussed under what circumstances one might be sought.

Initially, Bush and Gorbachev were to hold a news conference. But amid mounting signs of disagreement on the issue of force, Fitzwater and his Soviet counterpart briefed reporters instead.

''I would say that we have a conceptual agreement that force cannot be ruled out,'' said Fitzwater. ''We must be ... very firm in knowing what course we want to take before taking any further action.''

The press secretary denounced as a ''treacherous course'' Iraq's announcement earlier in the day that it was sending another 250,000 troops into Kuwait, which would raise the figure to about 650,000.

''Saddam Hussein's announcement ... only demonstrates his disinterest in a peaceful response.... He is thumbing his nose at the U.N.,'' the press secretary said. ''We must keep the pressure on.'' In recent weeks, Secretary of State James Baker has traveled the world, seeking to drum up support for possible military force against Saddam, who has thus far refused to bend under a 3-month-old U.N.-mandated economic embargo.

But Baker has been met by resistance, particularly by the Soviet Union, which is holding out hope for a negotiated settlement to Iraq's Aug. 3 takeover of Kuwait.

Bush is on an eight-day trip to Europe and the Middle East that will take him to the Persian Gulf on Thanksgiving Day for a holiday celebration with the troops.

Earlier Monday, Bush and Gorbachev joined other leaders from East and West in signing an arms-reduction pact that formally signified the end of the Cold War and a new era of cooperation.

Bush used the historic occasion to call upon members of the 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe to build upon their triumph for peace by seeing to it that Kuwait is freed of Saddam.

He also warned, ''Our success here can neither be profound nor enduring if the rule of law is shamelessly disregarded elsewhere.''

Gorbachev, prior to his 2 1/2 hour talk with Bush at the U.S. Embassy in Paris told reporters at a picture-taking session: ''We are working together, and it leads me to believe that a solution will be found.''

The Soviet leader declined to answer when asked if he would back a U.N. war resolution. But he said, ''I think you know we are not going to change our position.'' He refused to elaborate.

Bush observed: ''Nowadays, we must carry on such balanced policies that bring about one common position, even on the Iraq issue.''

Afterward, Fitzwater sought to play down differences between the two. He said Bush and Gorbachev ''reaffirmed their unity and commitment in striving to

implement'' U.N. resolutions against Iraq.

''Both the United States and the Soviet Union seek a peaceful solution,'' he said. ''We will continue to work within the U.N. Security Council framework.''

The three-day summit of the CSCE was called to sign treaties to dramatically cut weapon levels across a suddenly unified Europe and to celebrate a new spirit of cooperation between East and West.

But the Perian Gulf crisis cast a pall over the proceedings.

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(NOV 19) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust				
Reverse Stock Split				
Haben Industries Inc - 1-for-10				
Stock				
Magna Group Inc	..	5PC	1-10	12-15
Increased				
Lancaster Colony Corp	Q	.20	1-3	12-10
Initial				
Applebee's Intl Inc	A	.04	1-15	12-4
Distribution				
Freeport-McMoran O&G	M	.06073	1-10	11-30
Permian Basin Rylty Tr	..	.07011	12-14	11-30
Sun Distributors cl-A	..	.09166	12-31	11-30
Usual				
Baxter Intl Inc	Q	.16	1-2	12-12
Continental Bank Corp	Q	.25	12-31	12-10
Crane Co	Q	.18 3/4	12-14	12-4
Fansteel Inc	Q	.15	12-14	12-3
Fst Australia Prm Incm	M	.09	12-14	12-3
First Commerce Corp	Q	.30	1-2	12-14
First Interstate Bncp	Q	.75	12-28	12-7
Merry Land & Investmnt	..	.10	12-31	12-14
SKI Ltd	..	.08	1-9	12-14

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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(NOV. 19) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	7	2	.778	-
New York	6	3	.667	1
Philadelphia	5	4	.555	2
Miami	3	5	.375	3 1/2
Washington	2	6	.250	4 1/2
New Jersey	2	7	.222	5

CENTRAL DIVISION

Detroit	6	2	.750	-
Milwaukee	6	3	.667	1/2
Cleveland	6	4	.600	1
Chicago	5	5	.500	2
Charlotte	5	5	.500	2
Atlanta	4	5	.444	2 1/2
Indiana	4	5	.444	2 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	5	2	.714	-
Dallas	5	3	.625	1/2
Houston	5	4	.555	1
Utah	3	5	.375	2 1/2
Minnesota	3	6	.333	3
Orlando	3	6	.333	3
Denver	1	8	.111	5

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	9	0	1.000	-
Golden State	7	3	.700	2 1/2
Phoenix	5	3	.625	3 1/2
LA Clippers	4	5	.444	5
Seattle	3	4	.429	5
LA Lakers	3	5	.375	5 1/2
Sacramento	0	7	.000	8

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(NOV. 19) UPI - President Bush denies he and German Chancellor Helmut Kohl disagree on policy in the Persian Gulf. Kohl is warning against military action in the gulf. But Bush says both leaders want a peaceful solution.

The shuttle Atlantis astronauts have broken radio silence to send greetings to U-S troops in the Persian Gulf. They said their prayers were with the troops. The shuttle lands Monday to end its secret military mission.

The Supreme Court has refused to lift a restraining order that bars Cable News Network from airing tapes of Manuel Noriega's telephone conversations. C-N-N said the order violates its freedom of speech.

Republican officials say Florida Governor Bob Martinez is the leading candidate to lead to war against drugs. Martinez was defeated for re- election.

Representative Barney Frank, a Massachusetts Democrat, suffered a heart attack during the weekend. He is recovering in a Boston hospital. Frank was re-elected after a House investigation of his relationship with a male prostitute.

Singer-songwriter David Crosby is hospitalized in Los Angeles with three broken bones. Crosby was injured Saturday when he lost control of his motorcycle.

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#90323u0218 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
BANGKOK, Thailand (NOV. 19) UPI - A large male elephant went berserk after a performance for foreign tourists and plunged into a crowded market, destroying property and injuring at least 10 people, a police official said Monday.

A police officer in Surin Province, 250 miles northeast of Bangkok, said the elephant was one of 100 elephants that had just finished performing in the province's annual ''Elephant Roundup,''

''It went berserk in front of the market, rammed two cars and got into a noodle shop'' before being calmed by a trainer, said the officer, who asked not to be identified.

More than 10 people, including two children, were injured by the elephant and by the panicky rush to escape the enraged pachyderm, he said.

A 43-year-old man trampled by the elephant was in serious condition at a local hospital, the officer said.

All of those injured were believed to be Thais, he said.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) UPI - A Chicago food processer is voluntarily recalling 10,000 pounds of beef frankfurters and 1,400 pounds of deli beef franks because they may contain a illness-causing bacteria, the government said Monday.

The recall by David Berg & Co. applies to 10,000 pounds of bulk-packed ''David Berg Beef Frankfurters'' and 1,400 pounds of ''David Berg Deli Beef Franks. The bulk-packed frankfurters were distributed in California, Illinois, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Texas. The franks were distributed to grocery stores and supermarkets in the Chicago area.

The Food Safety Inspection Service said the product may contain the bacteria that can cause listeriosis, a rare but potentially serious disease. The problem was discovered during routine testing.

No illnesses have been reported but the inspection service urged consumers, hotdog vendors and food service establishments to return any of the suspect items to the seller.

The bulk-packed products covered by the recall were sold in 10-pound boxes and carry the words ''Est. 1'' inside the Agriculture Department seal on the label as well has carrying the code 60250 on the bottom of the box.

The retail packages under recall are 12-ounce packages with ''Est. 1'' inside the Agriculture Department inspection seal and the legend ''Sell by Dec. 10'' stamped on the the side of the package.

No other products are involved in the recall.

People with questions about the recall can call the toll-free Meat and Poultry Hotline at 1-800-535-4555 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. EST Monday through Friday.

At other times, the caller will be connected with a tape recording with information about the recall.

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NEW YORK (NOV 19) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.

USF&G	2,578,700	7 3/4	off 2 3/8
Philip Morris	2,164,800	49	up 7/8
IBM Corp	1,860,800	114 3/4	up 1 1/8
General Elec	1,573,900	55 3/8	unch
AT&T Co	1,417,600	31 7/8	off 1/8
Texas Uti;	1,284,100	37 1/8	off 1/8
PepsiCo	1,267,900	26	up 1/2
Fed Nat Mtge	1,266,600	32 5/8	up 3/8
Exxon Corp	1,133,300	50 5/8	up 1/4
Pfizer Inc	1,126,100	77 1/2	off 3/8
Ford Motor	1,123,600	27 5/8	off 1/4
Eastman Kodak	1,118,400	43	up 1
Coca Cola	1,080,400	46 5/8	up 7/8
MCA Inc	1,079,600	67 1/4	up 2 3/8
Wal Mart	1,063,800	29 3/4	up 1/2

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(NOV. 19) UPI - The New Jersey Devils took both ends of a weekend home-and-home series, but you wonder how often they can win while publicizing their game plan.

Relying on goalie Chris Terreri's knack for keeping the puck away from attackers, the Devils beat the Philadelphia Flyers 4-1 Sunday. Terreri had helped New Jersey to a 3-2 triumph on Saturday afternoon. The goalie explained how his style works against the Flyers.

''They like to dump the puck (in the zone) a lot and I handle the puck very well,'' said Terreri, who is 3-1 lifetime against Philadelphia. ''That keeps me active and when it happens, I can stay focused on the game.''

Terreri only faced 15 shots in the contest but, according to Devils Coach John Cunniff, that was due largely to the way Terreri uses his stick to control the puck and keep Philadelphia from setting up.

''I decided to use Chris (Terreri) again because he handles the puck so well and I knew the Flyers would try to get control by dumping the puck in and sending the forwards after it,'' Cunniff said. ''They (the Devils) were prepared for this game because we knew how the Flyers like to play.''

''They (New Jersey) did a good job of shutting us down tonight,'' Philadelphia Coach Paul Holmgren said. ''We had an empty gas tank all night because we've played a lot of games in a short amount of time.''

''It is so important to win games in this division because no one seems to lose so this was big for us,'' said Terreri, who surrendered just three goals in the two games.

The second-year netminder has won six of his last eight games, allowing just 15 goals in that stretch.

''The defense is playing well in front of me and I'm seeing the puck real well '' Terreri added.

First-period goals by Troy Crowder and Kirk Muller put the Devils in control of the game.

Elsewhere in the NHL Sunday night, Winnipeg edged St. Louis 4-3 and Edmonton greased the New York Islanders 3-1.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Jets 4, Blues 3

At Winnipeg, Manitoba, Phil Housley set up third-period goals by Brent Ashton, Danton Cole and Ed Olczyk, rallying the Jets and snapping the Blues' six-game winning streak. Brett Hull of St. Louis became the first player in the NHL to surpass the 20-goal plateau this season, scoring his 20th and 21st off a couple of rocket-like shots as the Blues grabbed a 2-1 first-period lead.

Oilers 3, Islanders 1

At Edmonton, Alberta, Bill Ranford blocked 31 shots, backstopping the Oilers to their third consecutive victory after a team-record nine straight losses. The Oilers took a 2-0 lead in the first period on goals by Petr Klima and Craig Simpson. Islanders defenseman Rich Pilon snapped in his first career goal in 95 NHL games on a feed from Ray Ferraro.

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(NOV. 19) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... news from United Press International:

The City of Light is playing host to the leaders of 34 nations. Officials hope to launch a new age of East-West cooperation at the three-day summit that begins in Paris today with the signing of an arms pact. President Bush yesterday declared ''Europe stands at the threshold of a new era.''

President Bush will discuss the Persian Gulf crisis at breakfast tomorrow with Soviet President Gorbachev, who flew to Paris from Rome yesterday. Bush acknowledged that the summit- in his words- ''seems to have been overshadowed by what's happening in the gulf.''

U-S authorities in Saudi Arabia say a U-S soldier died in a traffic accident

Saturday, bringing to 45 the number of Americans killed in Operation Desert Shield. About 230-thousand Americans are now deployed in the gulf and about 200-thousand more are scheduled to be sent in after the first of the year.

NASA officials say the shuttle Atlantis will end its four-day secret military mission today at. Sources say the spaceship will touch down at Edwards Air Force Base in California about two hours earlier than originally planned due to concern about high winds.

The Senate Ethics Committee will resume its hearings today into the so-called Keating Five senators. All five say they did NOthing beyond normal constituent service on behalf of Charles Keating, who faces racketeering charges in California. The failed savings and loan executive donated substantial sums to the re-election campaigns or pet causes of the lawmakers.

Nelson Mandela says his African National Congress is planning a national peace conference of anti-apartheid movements. The South African black leader says the A-N-C wants to determine the causes of factional black violence in an attempt to reconcile enemies. Mandela also accuses the white minority government of having a double agenda in talks with the A-N-C.

Some Israeli cabinet ministers are worried about what they perceive to be increasing Islamic fundamentalism in Jordan. The health minister of Israel's right-wing government told the Cabinet he is concerned Jordan's King Hussein is losing power. But Foreign Minister David Levy later told reporters he does NOT believe the situation in Jordan is deteriorating.

A police official in Thailand says at least 10 people were injured when a large elephant went ''berserk'' after a performance. The animal rammed two cars and headed into a noodle shop before being calmed by a trainer. More than 10 people were injured in the melee northeast of Bangkok.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 19) UPI - Unless the federal government acts soon to lower jet fuel prices, four or five U.S. airlines could go out of business, some within six months, former Texas Air Corp. chairman Frank Lorenzo said Monday.

While not naming the specific carriers he thought in danger, Lorenzo said the airline industry was in a ''competitive crisis'' caused by a combination of higher fuel costs, ''flawed'' deregulation and a lack of access to foreign capital.

''If the current environment continues without any government response, four or five U.S. airlines will disappear, some perhaps failing within six months '' Lorenzo told the Commonwealth Club of California in a speech broadcast over

more than 200 public radio stations. ''That means American travelers could be left with just three or four major carriers in three years.''

To alleviate the effect of higher fuel prices, which have more than doubled since last July, President Bush should release a portion of the nation's Strategic Petroleum Reserve to airlines at below-market prices, Lorenzo said.

He also recommended Congress eliminate the law that prohibits foreign ownership of more than 25 percent of a U.S. airline, which he said deprived weaker airlines of a critical source of funding.

''If the Dutch can own one of our principal oil companies, Shell, why can't they own the Trump Shuttle?'' Lorenzo asked. ''It makes no sense.''

Lorenzo's speech was a rare public appearance by the controversial airline executive, who resigned as chief executive officer of Continental Airlines Holdings Inc., the successor to Texas Air, this summer and sold his interest in the company, which owns both Continental and Eastern airlines, to Scandinavian Airlines.

Lorenzo became a scourge of organized labor in 1983, when he took Continental into bankruptcy as a means of bringing the carrier's labor costs down.

By going into Chapter 11 bankruptcy, he was able to void binding union contracts. Continental emerged from bankruptcy in 1986 as a lower- cost, non-union carrier.

Similarly, Eastern filed for Chapter 11 protection from creditors a week after being cripped by a March 1989 strike. The Miami-based carrier remains in bankruptcy proceedings and sidestepped creditors' request that it be liquidated last week.

In response to often pointed questions from the audience, Lorenzo defended his handling of labor negotiations at Continental and Eastern.

He lashed out at the federal National Mediation Board, which mediates labor disputes involving airlines and railroads, as an ''anachronism'' staffed by ''old airline labor leaders and railroad labor leaders who couldn't get jobs.''

Government deregulation of the airline industry has been a failure in many ways, Lorenzo said. The disparity between large ''mega-carriers,'' such as United and American, and smaller, weaker rivals has only widened, he said.

United and American have an unfair advantage because they own computer reservation systems used by 70 percent of travel agents, yet federal regulators have not addressed the issue, he said.

In addition, Congress has ordered all airlines to gradually replace their

older jets with newer, quieter models to reduce noise pollution, a move that Lorenzo said would hurt those airlines not able to easily afford new planes.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (NOV. 19) UPI - With 1 1/2 minutes to spare, the Atlantis astronauts aborted re-entry Monday, delaying touchdown at least 24 hours and raising the possiblity of a Florida landing because of dangerous winds at the shuttle's California runway.

Chief flight director Randy Stone would not rule out the possibility of a landing at the Kennedy Space Center if the outlook remained unfavorable for a touchdown Tuesday or Wednesday at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. But in the meantime, Edwards remained the primary landing site.

''We could choose to go to KSC (Tuesday), but those decisions are far from having been made,'' he said from the Johnson Space Center in Houston. ''We have alerted the KSC landing and recovery forces to the possibility.''

As Atlantis was sailing out of contact with mission control just minutes before a planned rocket firing to drop the ship out of orbit, flight director Lee Briscoe ordered the crew to abort the procedure after winds at Edwards suddenly changed direction, kicking up a stiff crosswind.

''Understand we're a wave-off,'' shuttle commander Richard Covey radioed to astronaut Kenneth Bowersox in Houston.

The astronauts then reopened Atlantis's payload bay doors for a bonus day in space with three California landing opportunities available Tuesday depending on the weather: 4:34 p.m. EST, 6:11 p.m. and 7:45 p.m.

But the forecast for Edwards called for high winds gusting to nearly 35 mph out of the west with three decks of scattered and broken clouds, raising the prospect of yet another landing delay. The outlook for Wednesday called for lighter winds but more cloudiness.

Like all space shuttles, however, Atlantis was launched with enough food, water, air and rocket fuel for at least two extra days in space and possibly more. Stone said the shuttle would have to land somewhere by Thursday, but ''we're not going to be faced with that.''

The primary goal of the 37th shuttle mission - the seventh and last flight to be conducted in total secrecy - was accomplished Friday when the astronauts are believed to have deployed a classified Pentagon satellite that may be used to spy on Iraq in some fashion.

Atlantis had been schedduled to touch down at 6:21 p.m. EST Monday - one orbit

late because of the worsening weather - but it was not to be. The decision to abort the rocket firing came 1 1/2 minutes before Atlantis would have sailed out of contact with a NASA communications satellite.

Covey, 44, co-pilot Frank Culbertson, 41, and crewmates Charles Gemar, 35, Robert Springer, 48, and Carl Meade, 40, blasted off Thursday to launch a top-secret military satellite that may be used to support U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Whatever the satellite is, Atlantis's crew began training to launch it in May 1989 and any duty the spacecraft might ultimately see over the Persian Gulf would appear to be coincidental. Even so, Atlantis's crew broke radio silence Sunday to send greetings to U.S. troops in the region.

''To the men and women of Desert Shield,'' Covey said. ''Whenever we've passed close to Saudi Arabia, we could not help but think of our soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines deployed there for Desert Shield.

''As the holiday season approaches, the multi-service crew of Atlantis wishes those brave warriors peace and a speedy return home. Our prayers are for them and their families.''

Engineers at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, meanwhile, are readying the shuttle Columbia for blastoff around Dec. 2 on a long- delayed 10-day astronomy mission just 17 days after Atlantis's ground- shaking launch last Thursday - a shuttle record.

Columbia and its seven-man crew originally were scheduled for takeoff May 30, but the spaceship was grounded the night before launch by a potentially dangerous hydrogen fuel leak.

Another leak later was blamed for grounding the ship twice in September but the shuttle passed a critical fueling test last month to finally clear the way for the ship's fifth launch try in six months.

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MANILA, Philippines (NOV. 19) UPI - Four powerful explosions rocked the house of President Corazon Aquino's justice secretary Monday, causing considerable damage but no injuries, police said.

No one immediately claimed responsibility for the blasts, which occurred within seconds of each other about 4 a.m. at the home of Justice Secretary Franklin Drilon in an affluent area of San Juan, a Manila suburb.

''Immediately after the first explosion, I gathered my wife and children and told them to duck. Then there were three more explosions. Thank God none of us

was hurt,'' Drilon told reporters.

The blasts tore the gates off Drillon's two-story house, demolished the perimeter wall and Drilon's room and shattered glass windows of five nearby houses and two cars parked outside.

''These (bombs) were the real thing,'' said chief National Police investigator Brig. Gen. Pantaleon Dumlao. ''The explosions were meant to kill.''

Investigators could not say whether the explosives were planted or thrown at the house, although witnesses said they saw a white car without plates speed away after the explosions.

Drilon said his office was prosecuting leftist and rightist extremists, and he did not know who was responsible for the attack.

Armed Forces chief Gen. Renato de Villa said the bombing appeared to be an ''individualized case of harassment'' and dismissed news reports of an upcoming coup attempt to mark the Dec. 1-9 rebellion last year in which about 100 people were killed.

Meanwhile, the military said unidentified armed men ambushed and killed Andres Quibuyen, a secretary of the mayor of Cabanatuan, and three aides as the four were driving to their City Hall 70 miles north of Manila.

More than 50 bombing incidents, which injured several dozen people, have rocked metropolitan Manila and nearby areas since August.

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#90323u0311 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) UPI - House Narcotics Chairman Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., criticized the NFL Monday for letting Dexter Manley return to football one year after he was suspended for drug abuse, saying it tells America's youth ''doing drugs is fine if you can get away with it.''

''Professional football can no longer claim to be tough on drugs. This decision makes a mockery of the league's drug policy and trivalizes the drug problem in this country,'' Rangel said in a written statement.

Manley, 32, was suspended from the NFL on Nov. 18, 1989, after he tested positive for cocaine use. It was the defensive end's third violation of the league's substance abuse policy.

Manley, who was waived by the Washington Redskins immediately after the NFL's ruling, has been enrolled in a recovery program in Houston, and he says he has been drug-free for more than a year.

Rangel said the decision by NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue ''reinforces the attitude so many young people have that doing drugs is fine if you can get away with it.''

''It also reinforces the notion that drug use is excused if you happen to be someone who is well-known and admired by the public. Our youth see that a public figure is treated to a different standard than an ordinary citizen,'' Rangel said.

Tagliabue met with Manley Friday in New York to discuss Manley's rehabilitation from cocaine and alcohol addiction. The NFL's statement Monday said Tagliabue's decision is conditioned on several factors, including Manley's avoidance of drugs and the player's participation in a structured support program.

But Rangel thought Manley's punishment was too light.

''I always thought the word lifetime meant lifetime - forever. Players who have a substance abuse problem should get all the treatment and rehabilitation they need, but they do not deserve the privilege of returning to play at the professional level,'' Rangel said.

Rep. Lawrence Coughlin, R-Pa., the committee's ranking Republican, agreed with Rangel: ''By selling their policy as a 'lifetime ban' policy when it is a one-year ban, the NFL has told young people that our culture's anti-drug message is just for show.''

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(NOV. 19) UPI - Given a chance to match up with Michael Jordan, Clyde Drexler proved what Portland fans have believed all along, that ''The Glide'' knows a little something about ''Air'' himself.

Drexler scored 30 points, grabbed seven rebounds and dished out nine assists Sunday night, leading the Portland Trail Blazers to a 125-112 victory over the Chicago Bulls.

Jordan led Chicago with 29 points, five rebounds and seven assists. Last season he suggested Drexler was an MVP candidate before most of the rest of the league was taking notice.

''Drexler is a very good open court player, a strong offensive rebounder and you have to watch him a lot closer than some people you play,'' Jordan said Sunday night.

Drexler speaks modestly about his early-season success.

''We just go out and try to win the game,'' he said.

On Sunday, the Blazers hit 62 percent of their shots as they scored a 125-112 victory over the Chicago Bulls. It was the fourth straight time the Blazers have hit at least 60 percent of their shots. They now lead the league in shooting, hitting at a 53 percent clip.

So, it's not surprising that the Blazers have jumped out to a 9-0 start this season and are the only undefeated team in the NBA.

''You have to like the way Portland is playing,'' Jordan said.

Drexler led the way Sunday, hitting 12 of 19 shots. Kevin Duckworth had one of the best shooting games of his career as he knocked down 10 of 13 shots for 25 points.

Portland's top two shooters, Buck Williams and Danny Ainge, also had big games. Williams made six of seven shots for 13 points and Ainge scored 12 points, hitting all four of his attempts from the field, including two 3-pointers. Williams came into the game shooting 64 percent and Ainge was at 61 percent.

''Our focus is good,'' said Portland Coach Rick Adelman. ''We're finding one another, hitting the open man, it's unbelievable. At the start of the year if somebody said we'd go 9-0 I wouldn't have believed it.''

Elsewhere in the NBA Sunday night, the Los Angeles Lakers pounded Golden State 115-93, the Los Angeles Clippers stfled Seattle 78-65 and Utah held off Minnesota 103-94.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Lakers 115, Warriors 93

At Inglewood, Calif., Sam Perkins scored 22 points and James Worthy added 21 to lead the Lakers. The Lakers used a 9-0 run to open up a 30- 15 lead with :26 to play in the first quarter and they never looked back. Chris Mullin paced the Warriors with 17 points.

Clippers 78, SuperSonics 65

At Los Angeles, Ken Norman scored a game-high 22 points and Benoit Benjamin added 16 and grabbed 12 rebounds, leading the Clippers, who held the Sonics to their lowest point total ever. The combined total of 143 points was the fourth lowest in league history.

Jazz 103, Timberwolves 94

At Minneapolis, Minn., Karl Malone did not miss a field goal or a free throw in the first half and scored 24 points, helping the Jazz break a four-game losing streak. The Timberwolves lost their third in row.

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(NOV. 19) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

UTAH (103)

K. Malone 8-13 8-9 24, Edwards 3-7 0-0 6, Eaton 3-4 1-1 7, J. Malone 5-10 4-5 14, Stockton 8-12 6-7 22, Rudd 3-4 0-0 6, Bailey 6-10 6-7 18, Griffith 0-5 2-2 2, Brown 1-2 2-2 4. Totals 37-67 29-33 103.

MINNESOTA (94)

Corbin 11-19 2-2 24, Breuer 1-7 1-2 3, Thornton 0-0 2-2 2, Campbell 9-16 6-8 24, Richardson 10-16 2-4 23, Mitchell 5-15 4-7 14, Spencer 2-4 0-1 4, Brooks 0-1 0-0 0, Coffey 0-1 0-0 0, Glass 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 38-80 17-26 94.

Utah	26	25	28	24-103
Minnesota	23	14	27	30- 94

Three-point goals-Richardson. Fouled out-Corbin. Total fouls-Utah 22, Minnesota 26. Rebounds-Utah 48 (K. Malone 9), Minnesota 37 (Mitchell, Corbin 6). Assists-Utah 23 (Stockton 10), Minnesota 26 (Richardson 12). Technical fouls-Utah 2 (illegal defenses), Minnesota 3 (2 illegal defense, Coach Musselman). A-19,006.

SEATTLE (65)

McDaniel 3-14 1-2 7, McKey 3-8 4-5 10, Cage 3-7 1-2 7, Threatt 4-11 1-2 9, Payton 5-15 0-0 10 Polynice 2-6 0-0 4, Kemp 4-10 3-6 11, Dailey 0-3 0-2 0, McMillan 0-3 0-0 0, Barros 3-4 0-0 6, Corzine 0-0 1-2 1, Meents 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 27-84 11-21 65.

LA CLIPPERS (78)

Smith 6-18 2-3 14, Norman 7-25 8-10 22, Benjamin 4-10 8-10 16, Garland 7-10 0-0 14, Grant 0-4 1-2 1, Vaught 2-3 1-2 5, Garrick 1-1 0-0 2, Martin 1-1 0-0 2 Bannister 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 29-73 20-27 78.

Seattle	12	21	16	16-65
LA Clippers	25	11	25	17-78

Three-point goals-None. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Seattle 20, Clipers 21. Rebounds-Seattle 44 (Cage 10), Clippers 54 (Smith, Benjamin 12).

Assists-Seattle 12 (Payton 5), Clippers 17 (Norman, Garrick 4).
Technicals-None. A-10,980.

CHICAGO (112)

Pippen 4-13 8-9 16, Grant 3-6 0-0 6, Cartwright 5-10 3-4 13, Paxson 7-12 0-0 15, Jordan 12-25 5-6 29, Levingston 2-2 0-0 4, Hopson 2-4 0-0 4, Perdue 2-4 2-2 6, King 1-5 2-2 4, Armstrong 5-11 5-6 15. Totals 43-92 25-29 112.

PORTLAND (125)

Kersey 6-13 2-4 14, Williams 6-7 1-3 13, Duckworth 10-13 5-5 25, Drexler 12-19 6-6 30, Porter 5-10 7-10 18, Ainge 4-4 2-2 12, Robinson 3-7 1-2 7, Cooper 2-4 0-0 4, Bryant 0-0 2-2 2, Young 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 48-77 26-34 125.

Chicago	27	24	33	28-112
Portland	31	36	20	38-125

Three-point goals-Paxson, Porter, Ainge 2. Fouled out-none. Team fouls-Chicago 26, Portland 27. Rebounds-Chicago 34 (Cartwright 8), Portland 38 (Kersey 8). Assists-Chicago 27 (Jordan 7), Portland 30 (Porter 10). A-12,884.

GOLDEN STATE (93)

Higgins 5-6 2-2 13, Tolbert 3-6 1-4 7, Lister 3-8 0-0 6, Hardaway 3-11 2-4 8, Mullin 7-18 3-3 17, S.Johnson 0-1 1-2 1, Pritchard 3-11 0-0 6, Marciulionis 6-15 3-4 15, Hill 6-9 3-4 15, Peterson 0-3 0-0 0, Jepsen 1-1 3-5 5, Kofoed 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-89 18-28 93.

LA LAKERS (115)

Perkins 7-12 8-11 22, Worthy 6-14 9-9 21, Divac 6-8 0-0 12, M.Johnson 6-13 4-4 17, Scott 4-18 3-4 11, Thompson 1-4 0-0 2, Green 4-5 0-0 8, Drew 4-6 2-2 10, Teagle 4-8 0-0 8, Campbell 0-2 1-2 1, Brown 1-1 0-0 3, Smith 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 43-91 27-32 115.

Golden State	19	25	23	26- 93
LA Lakers	32	32	25	26-115

Three-point goals-Higgins, Brown, M.Johnson. Fouled out-Teagle. Total fouls-Golden State 24, LA Lakers 24. Rebounds-Golden State 39 (Lister, Hill 7) LA Lakers 50 (Perkins, Thompson 9). Assists-Golden State 25 (Hardaway 9), LA Lakers 28 (Johnson 10). Technicals-Mullins, Golden State Coach Nelson.
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(NOV. 19) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Charlotte at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
LA Lakers at Denver, 9:30 p.m.

FOOTBALL

LA Raiders at Miami, 9 p.m.

HOCKEY

Boston at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Montreal at Quebec, 7:35 p.m.
Minnesota at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Vancouver, 10:35 p.m.

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(NOV. 19) UPI - A spokesman says President Bush did NOT specifically ask Soviet President Gorbachev if he'd support a U-N war resolution against Iraq. The two leaders talked over dinner tonight in Paris, the site of a 34-nation summit.

The shuttle Atlantis and its five-man crew is looking at another night- and possibly more- in space. The spaceship's scheduled landing today was delayed due to strong winds at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

A construction site just blocks from the White House collapsed tonight in Washington. There was NO immediate word on causaulties in the collapse next door to the world headquarters of U-P-I, causing the building to be evacuated.

A pact to end a five-day student sit-in at Occidental College in Los Angeles crumbled today. The students say they'll continue the protest now that the university's president rejected their guidelines to talk about their demands.

A New York shipping firm and its top executive face federal fraud charges for allegedly substituting a food product destined for hungry children in Africa. Investigators say the milk product was ''unfit for human consumption.

A Chicago company is voluntarily recalling 10-thousand pounds of beef frankfurters and 14-hundred pounds of deli beef franks. The government says the David Berg products may contain an illness-causing bacteria.

The bulk-packed frankfurters were distributed in California, Illinois, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Texas. People with questions can call a toll-free hotline from 10 a-m, to four p-m, e-s-t.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 19) UPI - At least 19 people were either shot, hacked or burned to death overnight in a troubled squatter camp east of Johannesburg, extending a wave of violence that the South African Institute of Race Relations described Monday as the ''grimmest ever.''

The respected independent institute said 3,038 people have died in political violence this year, or an average of 10 every day, more than three times the average of last year.

Witnesses said police drove along a gravel road bordering a railway line alongside the Zonkwezizwe squatter camp Monday morning, stopping to pick up the bodies of victims of the latest fighting between supporters of the Zulu movement Inkatha and the African National Congress.

Police put the official toll at 19, raising to 35 the number killed in the camp in a week in an apparent extension of the factional clashes that exploded in townships surrounding Johannesburg in August in which about 800 people died in six weeks.

Witnesses identified the dead as mainly ANC supporters and said they were killed by Inkatha followers in revenge attacks. The dispute is believed to have been sparked by Inkatha's objections to ANC calls for a boycott of rent payments in the area.

''Police found the first body at half past six this morning,'' police spokeswoman Capt. Ida van Zweel said. ''They were all over. There were bodies in front of houses, in the field at the squatters camp and one at the taxi rank.''

Van Zweel said she expected the death toll to rise. Many of the victims, all black men, had either bullet or hack wounds. Witnesses reported seeing two bodies that had been set on fire.

Elsewhere in the country over the weekend, police reported 17 deaths, including two young white policemen and a black man whose bullet-riddled bodies were found near a beer hall in the black township of Zwide near the city of Port Elizabeth.

The Race Relations Institute said in the report released Monday ''the 1990 death toll was by far the grimmest ever. The 3,038 deaths in the first 10 months of the year made an average daily rate of 10 deaths, against a figure

of 3.25 for the same period last year.''

The killings this year raised to 8,577 the number of deaths since September 1984 when widespread rioting erupted in black townships over the continued exclusion of the black majority from political power. But the study noted, nearly a third of those lives were lost in the first 10 months of 1990.

When the violence first erupted, it said, most of the victims were killed by security forces.

''Security forces now accounted for a relatively small proportion of the deaths in political violence,'' it said.

''Conflict within the black community continues to be the main source of casualties,'' it said.

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COLUMBUS, GA (NOV. 19) UPI - Former Iraqi hostage Miles Hoffman returned home to Columbus Sunday, urging Americans to pray for the release of hundreds of other Westerners held captive by Saddam Hussein.

With his English fiance, Nikki Murgatroyd, at his side, Hoffman arrived at the Columbus airport about 5:45 p.m., and was welcomed home by a cheering crowd of 100 relatives and friends, including his mother and a group of students from Brookstone High School, his alma mater.

The 33-year-old Hoffman, wearing a black sweatshirt with the inscription ''Free Kuwait,'' was moved to tears by the emotional welcome.

''I'm very happy,'' said Hoffman, wearing bandages and splints to protect a wound suffered when he was shot in the arm by Iraqi soldiers.

''All these people have done so much to help me out,'' he said. ''I'm happy, but I'm sad for the people I left behind. They are my family, too, and they are sitting around wondering if they are going to make it out.''

Hoffman, a financial analyst for the Kuwaiti government, was one of 174 hostages freed by Iraq last week.

Hussein is still holding hundreds of other Western hostages as ''human shields '' and Hoffman asked everyone to ''please pray for the people who are still there and pray for the Kuwaiti people who are going through a hell of lot more than the hostages.''

He characterized Hussein as ''a mini-Stalin'' who is running a ''republic of fear.''

Hoffman's mother, Ann, greeted her son and his fiance with a bear hug before taking him home to a specially prepared meal of potato salad, quiche and baked ham, a favorite of his.

''He looks fine,'' Mrs. Hoffman said. ''But I'm tired of all this, and I can't wait to get him home.''

On Sept. 4, Hoffman was shot in the arm by a group of Iraqi soldiers as he holed up in his apartment with two other Americans. He said the arm ''feels fine.''

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#90323u0406 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 19) UPI - Leaders of 22 NATO and Warsaw Pact nations signed a treaty today in Paris that ends Cold War tensions by eliminating the risk of surprise attack in Europe. The treaty puts strict limits on conventional arms. Related documents were signed, including one saying the Warsaw Pact and NATO are NO longer adversaries.

The shuttle Atlantic astronauts have radioed greetings to the American troops in Operation Desert Shield. They broke radio silence during a secret military mission. The astronauts land today.

Oil industry analyst Trilby Lundberg reports a slight easing in retail gasoline prices. They fell nearly one cent a gallon over the past two weeks. Lundberg says prices may fall more if crude oil prices continue their decline.

Members of the Israeli cabinet are disturbed by gunmen infiltrating across the Jordan River. They report signs of rising Islamic fundamentalism in Jordan.

Four explosions caused heavy damage today at the home of the Philippines justice minister. Windows in nearby buildings were shattered. NObody was injured.

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#90323u0408 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (NOV. 19) UPI - Despite the easing of tensions in Europe marked by this week's 34-nation summit in Paris, NATO's secretary-general says the Western military coalition is still needed for European security.

In an interview published Monday in the French daily Le Figaro, Secretary-General Manfred Woerner said the new alliance being formed by the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe ''cannot replace NATO, which has functioned for 40 years on the basis of common values and interests.''

Woerner said the CSCE structure offers the advantage of bringing the Soviet Union and Warsaw Pact nations into a new alliance. But he said the basis of common interests has not yet been fully established for all the nations.

The principal goal of NATO had been to contain Soviet expansionism, which Woerner said is no longer a threat. But he said that does not diminish the need to retain a balance of power.

''The disarmament accord with the Soviet Union is one thing, but the Soviet Union remains the principal military power in Europe,'' Woerner said.

''We must, therefore, be prepared for the risk of instability in the Soviet Union itself. Not to mention the uncertainties in the Balkans, the Maghreb or in the Middle East.''

''With fewer troops and less equipment, we have to maintain a coherent defense effort,'' Woerner said. ''That's all the more reason not to sacrifice the security that NATO provides. Moreover, Czechoslovakia, Poland and Hungary are requesting it. They are saying say 'We need NATO even though we're not members' because it represents a measure of security.''

Woerner said that NATO is being forced to redefine its goals and strategies, and that the United States would be diminishing its forces in Europe under recents agreements.

But he added that the United States ''will not entirely leave. It's in their political and military interests to remain in Europe, and also in the interest of Europeans.''

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#90323u0421 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 19) UPI - Gusty winds blew through coastal New England early Monday as morning fog blanketed much of the West Coast and partly cloudy skies covered the Midwest.

A low-pressure system south of Cape Cod brought stormy weather and winds gusting over 25 mph to New England. A gale warning was posted for Narragansett Bay in Providence, R.I., with north winds moving at about 30 mph and average waves reaching 2 feet to 4 feet, the National Weather Service said.

Winds reaching 30 mph blew over the Boston area early Monday as temperatures dropped into the 30s. Snow and sleet coated northern Maine during the early morning, making roadways slippery for rush-hour traffic.

Skies were clear in New York City, where the mercury dropped into the low 30s overnight.

Partly cloudy skies covered much of the Midwest Monday, but fog was reported overnight in New Orleans and Oklahoma City, the NWS said.

Morning fog also draped much of the West Coast from Seattle to Los Angeles, the NWS said. Temperatures fell into the 30s in the Pacific Northwest and hovered in the 50s and 60s overnight in Southern California.

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#90323u0439 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 19) UPI - President Bush pushed U-S policy in the Persian Gulf at a 34-nation summit today in Paris. Bush told the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe that the world must ensure that Iraqi troops withdraw from Kuwait. Soviet President Gorbachev urged patience in dealing with Baghdad, telling reporters he believes- ''a solution will be found.''

Atlantis is NOT just up in the air- when and where the shuttle will land is also. Officials worried about dangerous winds at the shuttle's California runway told astronauts to abort their re-entry today... with just a minute and a half to spare. Chief flight director Randy Stone is NOT ruling out a shuttle landing at Cape Canaveral if conditions remain unfavorable in California.

Kuwait's ambassador to the United Nations has his doubts about U-N sanctions imposed against Iraq after it invaded his homeland. The diplomat says he doubts the sanctions will ''bite in the foreseeable future,'' since Iraq has, he says, stockpiled an ample supply of military parts and food. But the Kuwaiti did NOT explicity call for an invasion of Iraq by U-S-led troops in the region.

An explosion hit a construction site blocks from the White House tonight, forcing the evacuation of workers in nearby buildings, including U-P-I's headquarters. There was NO immediate word on injuries, but a search is underway for a worker believed to have been on the site at the time of the accident. The blast also prompted the closing of a subway station.

The head of striking unions at the New York Daily News is calling for a probe of police conduct toward strikers. The American Civil Liberties Union accused police of siding with the News and preventing workers from exercising their rights to free speech and assembly. The A-C-L-U says some officers view the strikers as ''anti-establishment'' and therefore ''anti-police.''

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#90323u0448 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

SYRACUSE, NY (NOV. 19) UPI - Billy Owens and LeRon Ellis each scored 23 points Monday night to lift Syracuse to a 94-84 exhibition victory over the Soviet Union's National Team.

Ellis also grabbed 15 rebounds and Owens had 13 as the Orangemen outrebounded the taller Soviet team, 55-36. Sergei Bazarevich scored 27 points and had seven assists to lead the Soviets, who dropped to 2-6 on their tour of American colleges.

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#90323u0469 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (NOV. 19) UPI - U.S. and Chinese officials Monday were probing the mysterious death of an ailing American teacher who lost consciousness during a flight from the remote Silk Road city of Kashgar.

Questions about the illness of Thomas Raff of Dunkirk, Md.; his fitness for the difficult flight; and delays and miscues once his dire condition was discovered have left friends and kin scrambling for answers.

''There seems to have been no reason in the world for this guy to die,'' said a longtime friend in Beijing. ''This was a completely needless death.''

Raff, an accomplished linguist in his late 40s, recently began teaching English at a college in Kashgar, an ancient Silk Road stop near the Soviet border that is China's westernmost metropolis.

His friend in Beijing said Raff was healthy during a visit to the Chinese capital in September and was eager to return to the remote western province of Xinjiang.

Raff already had taught English for three years at a medical college in the Xinjiang province of Urumqi.

But colleagues in Urumqi said Raff fell ill soon after arriving in Kashgar in late September and recently had been hospitalized for what local Chinese doctors diagnosed as pneumonia.

Raff finally was found unconscious in the airplane's cabin, accompanied not by a doctor but by an official of the Chinese Foreign Ministry's local foreign affairs office in Kashgar.

''I don't know why Tom was on an airplane in that condition,'' a colleague said. ''But we just don't know anything about what happened before he got on the plane in Kashgar.''

Raff's arrival in Urumqi Saturday night was met by confusion. Chinese officials were unable to summon an ambulance or doctor and needed 10 minutes to authorize a waiting taxi to drive out to Raff's plane.

''He had arranged to have a car waiting, but no one expected an invalid,'' the Urumqi colleague said. ''It took a lot of time to get the car out to the plane.

''By the time we got him to the hospital it was too late.''

The colleague said he was reluctant to fault the Urumqi officials' response in light of the primitive conditions that prevail in China's western hinterland.

U.S. Embassy officials said the matter was under investigation and that a consul would fly to Urumqi and Kashgar on the next available flight to retrieve Raff's remains.

Raff's colleagues and friends described him as a devoted humanist and scholar who earned a doctorate at the University of Bonn and had mastered many languages, including Chinese, Arabic, Turkish, Mongolian, Russian and German.

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#90323u0501 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 19) UPI - Leaders of the Warsaw Pact and NATO nations signed a treaty in Paris today easing their Cold War tensions after four decades. The treaty eliminates the risk of either side launching a surprise attack in Europe. Strict ceilings are placed on the number of conventional weapons each nation can possess. The leaders signed a companion document saying the Warsaw Pact and NATO are NO longer adversaries.

Iraq says it will free thousands of foreign hostages it is using as human shields. The releases will start Christmas day and last three months. The hostages have been held around strategic installations to prevent attacks by the U-S-led forces in the Persian Gulf. Secretary of State James Baker called the announcement ''cynical manipulation.'' He said Iraq never should have taken the hostages in the first place.

The shuttle Atlantis' five astronauts return from their four-day secret flight today. They will land at Edwards Air Force Base in California. It is believed they put a secret military satellite into orbit. Yesterday the astronauts broke radio silence to send greetings to U-S military personnel in Operation Desert Shield.

In 1957, New York State Police Captain Edgar Croswell was keeping tabs on alleged racketeer Joseph Barbara and discovered he ordered 200 pounds of steaks. Croswell and other officers raided his estate at Apalachin, New York, and nabbed 60 gangsters he was hosting at a crime conference. The raid established the existence of the Mafia. Croswell died in Albany, New York, Saturday at age 77. He had retired in 1979.

Newsweek magazine reports cartoonist Garry Trudeau has been bumped from comedian Jay Leno's Thanksgiving trip to troops in Saudi Arabia. U- S headquarters in Saudi Arabia said there is NOT enough room for Trudeau. But the magazine says he may have angered some government officials because his

cartoon, ''Doonesbury,'' has been poking fun at U- S policy in the Persian Gulf.

Gasoline prices have been coming down- but not by very much. Trilby Lundberg, director of the Lundberg Survey, says retail prices have fallen nearly one cent a gallon in the past two weeks. The average price is not about one dollar 46 cents. Lundberg says if crude oil continues falling, retailers may either stop increasing prices or cut prices. Lundberg says the runup in prices has resulted in a drop in gasoline consumption.

The woman called the world's oldest person turned 116 yesterday. Carrier Joyner White celebrated at a nursing home in Palatka, Florida. Former President Ronald Reagan sent a tape-recorded message saying he would pray for her. The Guinness Book of Records calls White the oldest living person. Her guardian says she sees and hears well.

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#90323u0508 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (NOV. 19) UPI - One by one, the dark gray Peugeot limousines, their flags flapping in the chill autumn air, rounded the gravel roadway and pulled up to the veranda overlooking the Elysee Palace park.

And one by one, the leaders of the new Europe, the United States and Canada climbed up the steps to greet French President Francois Mitterrand, who was obviously enjoying his role as host of one of the largest gatherings of world leaders in modern history.

There was British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, resplendent in a black suit, pearl necklace and brooch, smiling broadly and seemingly unperturbed by her political problems at home.

There was the austere Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Agostino Casaroli, who slowly removed his black raincoat to reveal an equally black suit before climbing the steps to greet Mitterrand.

And there was the president of the United States, who bounced up the steps to greet his host with a broad smile, perhaps his way of thanking Mitterrand for France's vow to support a U.N. Security Council resolution allowing the use of force against Iraq.

Like President Bush, Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev arrived in his own car, accompanied by Defense Minister Dimitri Yazov, who sternly saluted Mitterrand.

The French leader waited for each guest on the red-carpeted veranda, posing individually with each for the benefit of history and photographers before accompanying them to the entrance hall. At one point the dignitaries were arriving so rapidly that some had to wait for a few seconds for Mitterrand to

emerge from his palace.

Once inside, the leaders gathered under the glittering chandeliers of the Elysee ballroom, sitting on red velvet chairs.

Flanking Mitterrand on his right was Prime Minister Michel Rocard, looking uneasy hours before facing a crucial confidence vote in the National Assembly.

To Mitterrand's left sat a dour Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, with Gorbachev to Shevardnadze's immediate left.

Like all good hosts, Mitterrand appeared concerned that all go smoothly, at one point asking an aide if everyone had arrived. Then he welcomed the leaders in the name of France.

''This treaty is laying down the basis for a new era of security for Europe and for its North American partners,'' he said referring to the agreement on Conventional Forces in Europe, the largest arms reduction pact in history that the presidents and prime ministers had gathered to sign.

''It will put an end to the disbalance between armed forces and the disbalance between security measures,'' he added. ''We're putting an end to the previous age.''

The French president then pulled out his pen and signed the documents contained in three red leather folders, including a non-aggression agreement between the former Cold War adversaries.

''This is a very good thing,'' Mitterrand said as he finished signing. ''It will be quite long (for everyone to sign). But that proves we're all here.''

The red folders made their way around the tables so the six members of the Warsaw Pact and the 16 North Atlantic Treaty Organization countries - who had eyed each other suspiciously for more than four decades while spending billions of dollars on weapons - could formally end the Cold War.

When everyone had signed Mitterrand presented the documents to Dutch Foreign Minister Hans Van Den Broek to wide applause. The Netherlands is the official guardian of the conventional arms reduction treaty and its accompanying agreements.

As the leaders filed out at the end of the 20-minute ceremony the widest smile was sported by West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl. After all, the Cold War had just ended, and a united Germany had finally joined the European community of nations as a full, respected and powerful member.

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STARKE, FL (NOV. 19) UPI - Robert Raymond Clark was executed in Florida's electric chair Monday for the 1977 kidnapping and murder of a businessman.

Clark was granted a temporary stay Saturday by the U.S. 11th District Court of Appeals in Atlanta to allow the Supreme Court time to hear the case. But the Supreme Court denied his appeal Sunday by an 8-1 vote.

The stay expired at 7 a.m. EDT Monday and Clark was executed at 7:08 a.m. at the Florida State Prison in Starke.

He made no last statement. Witnesses said the only visible signs of the execution was smoke rising from Clark's right leg, which jerked when the current was applied.

Clark was condemened for the 1977 kidnapping and murder of Pinellas County businessman David Drake and was on his fifth death warrant.

He was the fourth person to die in Florida's electric chair this year and the 25th person since the death penalty was reinstated.

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#90323u0589 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (NOV. 19) UPI - A Japanese news agency reported Monday that U.S. companies, which are barred from investing in Vietnam, have recently signed contracts for projects in that country worth $1.94 million.

The Kyodo News Agency, in a dispatch from Ho Chi Minh City, said it has obtained a Vietnamese government report on foreign investment that lists the United States as the 19th largest investor among 29 countries.

The Vietnamese State Commission for Cooperation and Investment report and unidentified sources quoted by Kyodo said the U.S. companies have entered Vietnam through partnerships with other Western nations.

The American companies have bought oil exploration rights in Vietnam, the news agency said. The news agency did not identify the U.S. companies or say how many companies were involved.

The news agency said these investments were taking place despite a U.S. government ban on trade with Vietnam.

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#90323u0645 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 19) UPI - Leaders of two former adversaries, NATO and the Warsaw Pact, signed a treaty today ending the tensions of the four-decade Cold War. The

treaty signed in Paris limits their conventional weapons in an attempt to prevent a surprise attack in Europe. It was signed at the opening of a European summit meeting.

U-S officials have brushed off an Iraqi promise to free thousands of foreign hostages starting on Christmas. President Bush called the offer a ''cynical ploy.'' Bush said there is ''no room for compromise'' with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. It is NOT clear whether Iraq plans to free all the hostages in Iraq and Kuwait.

The five astronauts on the shuttle Atlantis land in the California desert today. Their flight has been top secret. They launched a mysterious satellite that may be used to spy on the Persian Gulf area. Yesterday the astronauts broke radio silence to greet soldiers in the gulf area.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev met with Pope John Paul at the Vatican yesterday. Gorbachev says the pope agreed to visit the Soviet Union. But Vatican sources said it is unlikely the pope can go to Moscow before 1992.

News reports in the Philippines say rebels plan new attacks to be followed by an attempt to overthrow the government. The attacks are to take place both north and south of Manila. The report quoted a high intelligence official. He said the rebels will take advantage of protests by workers demanding higher pay.

Stormy weather hit New England today Winds gusted over 25 miles an hour because of a low-pressure system south of Cape Cod. A gale warning was posted for Narragansett Bay in Providence, Rhode Island. The mercury fell into the low 30s this morning in New York City. 30s also were common in the Pacific Northwest.

The Supreme Court has ruled against Cable News Network in its attempt to overturn a court ruling preventing it from airing tapes of Manuel Noriega's telphone conversations from jail. The court in a 7N-N can broadcast the tapes only if a magistrate approves them.

A Michigan researcher says it is good for a woman to blow her top. Mara Julius of the University of Michigan School of Public Health said women who suppress their anger have a much higher death rate than those who express it. However hiding anger for men may be dangerous only if they also have high blood pressure.

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#90323u0649 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 19) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange rebounded Monday on small- lot, futures-linked buying in moderate trading, ending a four-session losing streak.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which fell 315.85 points Friday, recovered 346.53 points to 23,518.16.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all listed major shares gained 19.94 points to 1,740.06.

Advances outnumbered declines 610 to 328, while 152 issues remained unchanged.

Trading was moderate as an estimated 300 million shares changed hands, compared with 314 million shares Friday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices jumped more than 1 percent in moderate trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, with China's recent announcement it would devalue its currency sparking a bullish rise across the board.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which gained 18.19 points Friday, added another 33.92 points - or 1.13 percent - to 3,042.58.

Among the narrower indexes, financials gained 32.71, utilities jumped 19.74, industrials rose 46.24 and properties added 30.22 points.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 823 million shares, compared with 916 million shares Friday.

In Singapore, some bargain hunting and the rebound in Tokyo helped to push stock prices higher in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which added 1.94 points Friday, rose 4.40 points to 1,122.75. The broader-based All Singapore Index, which slipped 0.54 point Friday, rose 2.13 points to 312.36.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 36 million shares, compared with 36.5 million shares Friday.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stock prices edged higher in slow trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which gained 1.07 points Friday, added 1.34 points to 658.25.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 82 million Thai shares, compared with 1.6 billion shares changing hands Friday.

In Australia, stocks closed higher on the Sydney Sharemarket boosted by a speculation that the government may again have to lower interest rates.

The All Ordinaries Index, which fell 5.3 points Friday, gained 8.3 points to

1,348.2. The All Industrials Index rose 15.4 points to 2,025.7 and the All Resources Index gained 5.2 points to 824.9.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 64.7 million shares, compared with 61 million shares Friday.

Advances outpaced declines 128 to 107, while 209 stocks remained unchanged.

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#90323u0682 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (NOV. 19) UPI - Leaders of 22 NATO and Warsaw Pact nations signed a massive conventional arms treaty Monday to end a four-decade era of Cold War tension by eliminating all risk of surprise attack in Europe.

The treaty-signing opened a 34-nation summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, a three-day extravaganza ushering in a fresh epoch of East-West harmony.

The Charter of Paris for a New Europe, declaring ''a new era of democracy, peace and unity,'' will be signed on Wednesday as the summit's formal conclusions.

''We're putting an end to the previous age,'' French President Francois Mitterrand said moments before the Conventional Forces in Europe pact was signed by 22 heads of state in a chandeliered conference room at the Elysee Palace.

''This treaty is laying down the basis of a new era for Europe and Europe's North American partners,'' he said. ''The states of Europe will become more important than the old alliances.''

The treaty sets strict ceilings on tanks, artillery, combat vehicles and aircraft, and establishes detailed rules on verification and troop monitoring - meaning there would be ample warning of troop buildup and movements.

The leaders also signed three other documents relating to the CFE treaty, including a declaration that NATO and the Warsaw Pact are no longer adversaries.

The historic CSCE summit is being compared to the legendary Congress of Vienna in 1815, where storied names like Metternich, Wellington and Talleyrand redrew the map of Europe following Napoleon's defeat.

Mitterrand said the 1990 summit is in many ways even more majestic.

''This is the first time in history that we experience a change in the European landscape without a war or bloody revolution,'' he said in the

summit's opening address. "We are not sitting here as victors or vanquished."

The Persian Gulf crisis was not on the summit's formal agenda, but figured prominently in the ''margins,'' including a hastily arranged Monday night dinner between U.S. President George Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

Bush denounced Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's offer to release Western hostages from Iraq and Kuwait on Christmas Day, dismissing it as a ''cynical ploy.''

Several casts of thousands are on hand for the summit - 10,000 police assembled because of fears of Middle East-sponsored terrorism; 1,000 delegates; and 7,000 journalists.

A triangular area around the sumptuous Kleber Conference Center, site of summit sessions, is closed to both automobiles and pedestrians, and the local subway station is also sealed off for security. Steel barriers are everywhere and a police helicopter hovers overhead. One Paris newspaper termed the area near the Arc de Triomphe ''the infernal triangle.''

Curiously, most Parisians seem unaware that a historical gem is even taking place, in sharp contrast to the intense publicity surrounding last year's bicentennial celebration of the French Revolution.

The CSCE, which held its last summit in Helsinki in 1975, includes all of Europe except Albania, plus the United States and Canada. Even tiny Malta and San Marino are members.

The summit's centerpiece, the CFE pact, limits NATO and the Warsaw Pact each to 20,000 tanks, 20,000 artillery pieces, 30,000 armored combat vehicles, 6,800 aircraft and 2,000 helicopters in four zones from the Atlantic Ocean to the Ural Mountains.

The treaty, which was initialed on Sunday in Vienna after 20 months of negotiations, takes effect 10 days after ratification by all 22 nations.

About 55,000 pieces of heavy armament must be destroyed. Counting equipment already moved east of the Urals by the Soviet Union, 100,000 pieces will be destroyed or moved from Europe, 90 percent of it by the crumbling Warsaw Pact.

A second round of talks, focusing on manpower levels, begins next week in Vienna. The united Germany is already committed to a ceiling of 370,000 troops within four years.

The summit will institutionalize the now-homeless CSCE as a new pan-European security structure linking East and West in a partnership of trust and consultation.

The CSCE will have a small secretariat in Prague, a conflict-prevention center in Vienna and an election-monitoring agency in Warsaw. Creation of a CSCE parliamentary body in Strasbourg, France, will also be urged.

CSCE leaders will hold summits every two years, beginning in Helsinki in 1992, while foreign ministers will meet yearly.

The summit's social agenda includes a gala reception Monday night at the Palace of Chaillot, the sprawling white stone landmark facing the Eiffel Tower across the River Seine, and a Tuesday night ball in the majestic Hall of Mirrors at the Palace of Versailles.

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#90323u0700 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (NOV. 19) UPI - President Bush and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, in Paris for a three-day summit designed to close the books on the Cold War, met Monday morning at the U.S. Embassy and joined in denouncing Iraq's offer to begin releasing its Western hostages on Christmas Day.

Bush and Thatcher held an hour-long breakfast meeting Monday and wasted no time in focusing their attention on a new post-Cold War goal: the removal of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein from Kuwait.

Bush told reporters that Saddam's offer to release the Western hostages held in Iraq and occupied Kuwait beginning on Christmas Day was ''more of the same - more of the cruel parceling out of human life. I see nothing new in it.''

Thatcher, facing a Conservative Party challenge Tuesday by former Defense Minister Michael Heseltine, denounced Saddam's offer and vowed that if he does not remove his invasion forces from Kuwait, ''he has to be removed by force.''

''Evil has to be stopped,'' Thatcher declared. ''Either he withdraws or the military option has to be used.''

Even though Bush was in Paris for the signing of the historic Conventional Forces in Europe treaty, Persian Gulf tensions dominated his schedule of talks with foreign leaders from the East and West.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters that Bush's schedule had been revised so he could hold a dinner meeting Monday with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to discuss the gulf crisis. The two leaders were expected to hold a news conference afterward.

Bush and Secretary of State James Baker also were trying to line up votes from members of the U.N. Security Council for a resolution authorizing the use of military force if necessary in the gulf region.

Baker and his Soviet counterpart, Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, huddled Sunday evening, and Baker later told reporters that Saddam's offer to release the foreign hostages was a ''cynical'' propaganda ploy.

Bush and other world leaders opened a three-day summit in Paris Monday that features the signing of arms-reduction treaties and the beginning of a new era of global cooperation that targets Saddam as public enemy No. 1.

Following talks Sunday with German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, Bush expressed hope that economic sanctions will lead to Saddam peacefully withdrawing from Kuwait. But he reiterated that he has not ruled out possible military force.

''It is very important to send a solid signal to Saddam Hussein that his aggression (against Kuwait) will not be rewarded,'' the president railed.

Bush plans to celebrate Thanksgiving Day with some of the more than 230,000 U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf. Earlier this month, he ordered in about 150,000 reinforcements for a possible military offensive.

Bush is on an eight-day tour of Europe and the Middle East to drum up support for the global condemnation of Saddam, and to attend the summit in Paris of the 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Joined by Gorbachev and other NATO and Warsaw Pact nations, Bush was to sign a treaty Monday cutting weapons in Europe - the Cold War's death certificate.

Bush had dinner in Paris Sunday with French President Francois Mitterrand, shortly after arriving from a six-hour visit to Germany. He began the trip Saturday with a visit to Czechoslovakia.

Bush, who polls show is losing support at home for his handling of the crisis, wrote an article in the current issue of Newsweek that reiterated his reasons for sending in troops.

''Iraq's occupation of Kuwait has been a nightmare,'' the president said, citing atrocities against men, women and children, as well as Saddam's takeover of much of the world's oil supply.

''Many, understandably, counsel prolonged patience,'' Bush said. ''Yet, it is grim reality that with each passing day the consequences of Saddam's aggression grow.''

''Our national security is at stake,'' he said.

Bush, during his visit Sunday to Germany, urged a greater world role for the recently unified nation, but maintained that he and Kohl were not at odds over policy in the gulf - where Germany has deployed no troops.

''He made it very clear that he would like to see a peaceful resolution of this question - and so would I,'' Bush, flanked by Kohl, told reporters after the two held talks in the town of Oggersheim.

''I think we are in very close accord,'' the president said, Kohl, in an interview broadcast Sunday on German radio, warned against a military assault and said a negotiated settlement was still possible with Saddam.

''Anyone who believes that this can be solved militarily must think of the end not the beginning, of the enterprise,'' Kohl said. ''What will be the consequences? How many victims will there be? And won't a political solution still have to be found afterward anyway?''

Germany has contributed no troops to the multinational force in the gulf. But it has provided military equipment and about $2.2 billion in economic assistance. The United States would like to see the aid increased.

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SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 19) UPI - Herbert B. Maw, who claimed no desire to be a career politician but served Utah as a state senator during the Depression and two-term governor during the 1940s, has died, his family said Monday. He was 97.

Maw died Saturday night at a nursing home of problems related to old age, his family said.

Following 10 years in the Utah Senate, Maw, a Democrat, served as governor from 1941 through 1948 and was instrumental in bringing an important small-arms manufacturing plant to Salt Lake City during World War II.

In a close race against a former Utah Congressman Don B. Colton, Maw was elected governor of Utah in 1940. He won his second term in 1944 by beating Republican J. Bracken Lee by 1,065 votes.

But, in 1948, Lee turned the tables, defeating Maw with 55 percent of the vote as the Republicans staged an upset sweep of the state.

Maw, a native of Ogden, Utah, returned to his law practice in 1949. Until he was in his 90s he worked up to 50 hours a week counseling longtime clients and those who could not afford legal services.

Born March 11, 1893, attended the University of Utah. In 1927, he received a law degree from Northwestern University.

His education was interrupted by World War I when he joined the 102nd Aviation

Corps for pilot training. But he saw service in France as a chaplain in front line trenches rather than as an aviator.

Maw married Florence Buehler in 1921. She died in 1984. He is survived by two sons and two daughters. Funeral services will be Wednesday in the Garden Park Ward Mormon chapel.

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(NOV. 19) UPI - A historic European summit meeting opened in Paris today to usher in an era of East-West harmony. Leaders of 22 Warsaw Pact and NATO nations signed a treaty ending Cold War tensions by eliminating the risk of a surprise military attack. French President Francois Mitterrand said- ''This is the first time in history that we experience a change in the European landscape without a war or bloody revolution.''

President Bush and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher met today to discuss the Persian Gulf situation. They repeated demands that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein immediately and unconditionally withdraw his invasion forces from Kuwait. Thatcher told reporters- ''Either he withdraws or the military option has to be used.'' Bush has dismissed an offer by Iraq to free thousands of hostages starting Christmas. He called it a ''cynical ploy.''

A man condemned for kidnapping and murdering a businessman was executed this morning in Florida. Robert Raymond Clark was put to death in the electric chair in Starke, Florida. He was condemned for the 1977 kidnapping and killing of David Drake. An appeals court granted him a temporary stay Saturday so the Supreme Court could consider his case. The court denied his appeal yesterday.

White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater says Florida Governor Bob Martinez is the leading candidate to head the administration's war against drugs. Martinez lost his re-election attempt this month. William Bennett resigned recently as anti-drug chief. Republican sources say he has agreed to become chairman of the Republican National Committee.

Representative Barney Frank is recovering in a Boston hospital from a mild heart attack. He is described as ''resting comfortably.'' Frank left a health club after exercising Saturday when he was stricken. The Massachusetts Democrat was investigated by the House Ethics Committee because of his relationship with a male prostitute. He was reprimanded, but won re-election this month.

Senator Alan Cranston begins radiation therapy today for prostate cancer. He is one of five senators being investigated by the Ethics Committee for accepting campaign money from Charles Keating. Keating is a figure in the S-and-L scandal who is charged with racketeering. The committee's hearings resume today. Cranston argued last week that he did NOthing improper for

Keating.

Singer David Crosby is in fair condition in a Los Angeles hospital with three broken bones. Crosby is the Crosby of Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young. He was injured in a motorcycle accident Saturday. He broke his left leg and ankle and left shoulder. Police say he lost control of his cycle on a curve and the machine fell on him.

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(NOV. 19) UPI - President Bush, meeting with world leaders Monday in Paris during a historic treaty summit, said there is ''no room for compromise'' with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and dismissed his offer to free thousands of foreign hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait beginning Christmas day.

Bush, in Paris to officially end the Cold War with the signing of the Conventional Forces in Europe Treaty, called the surprise Iraqi announcement a ''cynical ploy'' and joined British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher in demanding the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraq's invasion forces from Kuwait.

The U.S. dominates a multi-national force of nearly a half-million troops in the Persian Gulf area to discourage Iraq from expanding its Aug. 2 invasion and annexation of Kuwait to other nations, especially the Saudi Arabian oil fields.

Thatcher said after a breakfast meeting with Bush at the U.S. Embassy that Saddam's ''evil has to be be stopped'' and vowed ''either he withdraws or the military option has to be used.''

Iraq's information minister condemned the two leaders for the statements, counter-charging the U.S.-dominatd military buildup in the Persian Gulf is a Western ploy to dominate oil resources in the region.

Meanwhile, a chartered Iraqi airliner with 76 Americans, 12 Britons and 22 other former hostages arrived in London early Monday from Kuwait on a flight delayed by an emergency stop in Athens for repairs, Cairo radio said.

The Americans were to continue on to the United States and arrive at Washington's Dulles International Airport at 7:30 p.m. EST.

In another development, Iran accepted a new ambassador from Kuwait in Tehran in an apparent acknowledgement that Iraq now controls the occupied emirate.

The official Iranian news agency IRNA said in a brief dispatch that President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani accepted the credentials of Ambassador Fawzi al-Jasim.

Other countries have refused to recognize Kuwaiti diplomats appointed by the Iraqi authorities.

''The president expressed concern over the incidents in Kuwait and hoped that the country's problems would be solved soon so that the Kuwaiti people will be able to live in complete security and peace in their homeland,'' IRNA said.

Iran, which fought a bitter Persian Gulf War with Iraq from 1980- 1988, has condemned the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait but has been receptive to Baghdad's overtures in recent months.

Iraq has returned hundreds of Iranian prisoners of war since the crisis began and has agreed to recognize disputed borders between the countries.

A brief dispatch by the official Iraqi news agency INA Sunday said Saddam would release all hostages in phases beginning Christmas day and ending about March 25.

About 3,000 foreigners, most of them men, are trapped in Iraq and Kuwait, either as hostages held against their will at key sites to discourage attack by the multi-national force, or because they are hiding from the authorities.

Observers said Iraq may be trying to buy more time by announcing the release of the hostages over a protracted period.

But Bush reiterated that there is ''no room for compromise'' with Saddam.

''We are racheting up the pressure: I hope he understands,'' he said.

INA quoted Information Minister Latif Nassayif Jassim as ''sternly condemning the statement of American and British officials on Iraq's decision to allow foreign nationals to travel as from Christmas.''

INA also quoted Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz as reiterating Saddam's willingness to negotiate a settlement to the crisis as long as the Palestinian question is also on the agenda.

Saddam has repeatedly tried to link his invasion of Kuwait with the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza strip, but Bush and other leaders have rejected the connection.

Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency reported Monday that the United States had begun transfering troops from Germany to the gulf.

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(NOV. 19) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque f	68	38	....
Anchorage sn	28	21	....
Asheville sy	64	34	....
Atlanta sn	66	44	....
Baltimore sy	53	31	....
Billings pc	55	35	....
Birmingham sy	69	41	....
Bismarck pc	52	30	....
Boston r	42	34	....
Brownsville pc	85	70	....
Buffalo pc	47	32	....
Burlington Vt. mc	35	22	....
Charleston S.C. sy	68	45	....
Charlotte sy	62	39	....
Chicago cy	54	44	....
Cincinnati cy	53	39	....
Cleveland cy	47	36	....
Columbus Ohio cy	50	37	....
Dallas pc	76	61	....
Denver pc	65	36	....
Des Moines pc	57	42	....
Detroit mc	46	34	....
Duluth pc	45	32	....
El Paso sy	79	47	....
Evansville mc	59	43	....
Fargo pc	49	33	....
Hartford pc	47	28	....
Honolulu pc	81	72	.12
Houston pc	80	65	....
Indianapolis mc	53	38	....
Jackson Miss. pc	73	49	....
Jacksonville sy	73	43	....
Kansas City cy	60	45	....
Las Vegas pc	70	47	....
Little Rock cy	67	52	....
Los Angeles cy	67	55	....
Louisville cy	59	43	....
Miami Beach pc	81	63	....
Milwaukee pc	53	36	....
Minneapolis pc	52	37	....
Nashville pc	65	45	....
New Orleans pc	75	57	....
New York sy	51	36	....
Oklahoma City mc	69	56	....
Omaha pc	59	38	....
Orlando sy	78	51	....

Philadelphia sy	51	32	....
Phoenix pc	81	55	....
Pittsburgh pc	49	34	....
Portland Me. r	39	31	.03
Portland Ore. r	48	36	....
Providence r	45	32	....
Richmond sy	56	32	....
St. Louis cy	60	46	.03
Salt Lake City mc	54	40	....
San Antonio pc	80	64	....
San Diego cy	67	55	....
San Francisco cy	59	50	....
San Juan pc	89	73	....
Seattle r	46	39	....
Spokane cy	38	31	....
Tampa sy	77	53	....
Washington sy	53	36	....
Wichita pc	60	50	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90323u0912 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 19) UPI - The three-day Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe has opened with leaders of 22 NATO and Warsaw Pact nations signing a conventional arms treaty that ends 40 years of Cold War rivalry. The treaty places ceilings on everything from tanks to artillery, combat vehicles to aircraft. It helps eliminate the risk of suprise military attacks in a Europe once divided along political barriers that are now crumbling.

President Boris Yeltsin of the Russian Federation is calling for a referendum in the largest of the Soviet republics on the performance of President

Gorbachev. Yeltsin called for the referendum in a speech to the Ukrainian parliament. He is in Kiev to sign a treaty with the Ukraine. He said the referendum also would ask voters if they have confidence in the central government in Moscow.

Iraq's offer to free human shield hostages over a three-month period beginning at Christmas is being dismissed as a ''cynical ploy'' by President Bush. Those were his words today in Paris as he attends a historic summit with other world leaders. Bush met with Britain's Margaret Thatcher for breakfast and Thatcher later told reporters that ''evil has to be stopped.'' She said that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein has two real options, to get out of Kuwait or be forced out.

Florida has executed its fourth convict this year. Robert Clark was convicted in the 1977 kidnap-murder of Tampa-area businessman David Drake. He died in the Florida electric chair this morning. Prison officials call the death ''routine.'' The 49-year-old Clark made NO last statement before he was executed. He was visited overnight by his three attorneys and by a Lutheran minister.

U-S and Chinese officials are investigating the mysterious death of an ailing American teacher who lost consciousness during a flight from the remote Silk Road city of Kashgar. Friends and family and officials are scrambling for information on the death of Thomas Raff of Dunkirk, Maryland, who recently began teaching English at a college in Kashgar, the westernmost metropolis in China, near the Soviet border. He reportedly fell ill in September and had been hospitalized with what local doctors said was pneumonia.

The Rhode Island office of the federal Drug Enforcement Agency has the look of an art gallery these days. The office is watching over 200 paintings that allegedly were purchased with drug money and seized from a climate-controlled storage locker in Boston. The works include silk- screen prints of famous performers, including Ingrid Bergman, Jane Fonda and John Wayne. They are signed by the late Andy Warhol and reportedly are worth about 170-thousand dollars.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (NOV. 19) UPI - A senior Arab diplomat said Monday that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's plan to start releasing foreign hostages Christmas day is a bid for time, while exiled Kuwaiti officials called it a ploy to distract world attention from the emirate Saddam invaded Aug. 2.

In a surprise move, Iraq announced Sunday it would release the 3,000 foreigners held in Iraq and Kuwait in batches from Dec. 25 to March 25. World leaders, including President Bush, condemned the move as a ''cynical ploy.''

The Cairo-based Arab diplomat said by offering to release the hostages, Saddam may also be sending a signal to the West that he is looking for a compromise to the crisis touched off by his invasion and annexation of the oil-rich emirate.

''What we heard from their official statements and from Saddam himself indicate the Iraqis are now ready to negotiate with the United States and Saudi Arabia over the crisis without any preconditions,'' he said.

''Time is important for both sides,'' the high-ranking diplomat, who asked not to be identified, told United Press International.

He said Iraq would beneift if the U.S.-dominated multinational force delayed a military strike until after the hostages are released because the weather will grow hot again, making any offensive action difficult.

U.S. opinion is also changing with the seasons. Polls show fewer and fewer Americans are supporting Bush's Persian Gulf policy as the months drag on.

In Taif, Saudi Arabia, the headquarters of the exiled Kuwaiti government, a senior Kuwaiti minister said Saddam's decision to release hostages was intended to distract the world from what Kuwaitis see as the main issue - the occupation of Kuwait.

''The Iraqi regime is using the hostages card every time it feels the impact of the international economic sanctions,'' acting information minister Jassim Yacoub told the official Kuwait News Agency in a statement.

''By using the hostages, Iraq is seeking to distract the world public opinion from the major goal - the implementation of the U.N. Security Council resolutions calling for the withdrawal of the Iraqi trooops and the restoration of the legitimacy to Kuwait,'' the minister said.

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ANN ARBOR, MICH. (NOV. 19) UPI - A war to liberate Kuwait from Iraqi occupation would kill tens of thousands of Americans and hundreds of thousands of Arabs, says a former U.S. ambassador to Saudi Arabia.

James Akins, speaking to about 700 people during a four-hour teach-in on the Persian Gulf crisis Sunday at the University of Michigan, said the United States should give anti-Iraq sanctions as much as a year to work.

In public statements, Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein has said he is willing to negotiate his claim to Kuwait with the United States and Saudi Arabia, but the Bush administration seems determined to fight a war, Akins said.

A war in the Middle East would not be as easy to fight as U.S. battles in Grenada and Panama because the Iraqis would fight to defend their country from military attack, he said.

The result of such a war, he said, would be death for ''tens of thousands of American troops and hundreds of thousands of Arabs.''

The United States can head off a war by allowing Saddam to leave Kuwait with his honor intact, Akins said.

Akins said the United States can give Saddam an honorable exit without rewarding him any territory by letting Kuwaitis elect their government, agreeing to hold an international conference on the Arab- Israeli conflict and committing Iraq to eliminating chemical, biological and nuclear weapons from the Middle East.

Akins was U.S. ambassador to Saudi Arabia from 1973 to 1975, when he was fired after disagreements with then-Secretary of State Henry Kissinger.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $377.50, silver base of $4.13 and platinum price of $417.90:

	Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$393.10	396.10
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	201.70	203.20
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	103.60	104.40
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.80	43.10
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	393.10	396.10
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	201.70	203.20
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	104.10	104.90
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.80	43.10
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	399.40	402.50
China Panda .50 troy oz.	205.80	207.40
China Panda .25 troy oz.	106.70	107.50
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.10	46.40
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.50	27.70
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	393.20	396.20
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	200.90	202.50
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	101.50	102.30
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.70	44.10
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	391.70	394.70
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	202.80	204.30

Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	104.10	104.90
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.30	44.60
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	391.50	394.50
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	201.30	202.50
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.40	87.10
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.70	45.10
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.80	24.00
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.54	$5.56
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,170	$3,190
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,325	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	433.00	439.00
Isle of Man Noble	430.00	436.00
Canada Maple Leaf	441.00	447.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for November 16: Purchases of 469,630 shares and sales of 510,892 shares including 30,733 shares sold short.

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VATICAN CITY (NOV. 19) UPI - Pope John Paul II appealed to Filipino families Monday in the predominantly Roman Catholic nation to follow the dictates of the church regarding artificial birth control.

The pontiff's message was issued as the Philippines tries dealing with a growing population and severe poverty. The government recently started a controversial birth control policy that includes the use of contraceptives.

Speaking to a conference of Filipino bishops at the Vatican, the Polish pope praised the ''strong tradition of the family'' in the Asian nation, and urged the bishops to ''publicly defend the teachings of the church on the principal role of married couples.''

''Today the church is called upon to defend its precious heredity, especially in light of the difficult circumstances which afflict many families,'' John Paul said.

Emphasizing repeatedly the church's total opposition to any form of artificial birth control, John Paul told the bishops: ''You are aware of the important responsibility to defend and promote the moral law which regards the regulation of births.''

John Paul called the topic ''a delicate area,'' and told the prelates to instruct their parishioners on church beliefs about the sanctity of unborn children.

''Catholics should not hesitate to defend the teachings of the church on the principal role of married couples'' the pope said. ''Parents should decide to generously accept the arrival of children.''

President Corazon Aquino's government, under pressure to ease grinding poverty in the islands of 60.5 million people, has begun a five-year, $200 million program to bring down the country's annual population growth rate.

The program involves a massive information campaign on family planning and various government services open to couples, including use of contraceptives.

The program was roundly condemned by the 89-member Catholic Bishops Conference in Asia's only Christian country, which in a pastoral letter issued Oct. 11 reiterated a 17-year-old policy frowning on any measure of birth control other than the church-prescribed rhythm method.

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PARIS (NOV. 19) UPI - Text of the non-aggression declaration signed by the 16 NATO nations and six Warsaw Pact countries, which accompanied the Conventional Forces in Europe treaty.

Joint Declaration of 22 States

The heads of state or government of Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Turkey, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom and the United States of America:

-Greatly welcoming the historic changes in Europe,

-Gratified by the growing implementation throughout Europe of a common

commitment to pluralist democracy, the rule of law and human rights, which are essential to lasting security on the continent,

-Affirming the end of the era of division and confrontation which has lasted for more than four decades, the improvement in relations among their countries and the contribution this makes to the security of all,

-Confident that the signature of the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe represents a major contribution to the common objective of increased security and stability in Europe, and

-Convinced that these developments must form part of a continuing process of cooperation in building the structures of a more united continent,

Issue the following declaration:

1. The signatories solemnly declare that, in the new era of European relations which is beginning, they are no longer adversaries, will build new partnerships and extend to each other the hand of friendship.

2. They recall their obligations under the Charter of the United Nations and reaffirm all of their commitments under the Helsinki Final Act. They stress that all of the 10 Helsinki Principles are of primary significance and that, accordingly, they will be equally and unreservedly applied, each of them being interpreted taking into account the others. In that context, they affirm their obligation and commitment to refrain from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or the political independence of any state, from seeking to change existing borders by threat or use of force, and from acting in any other manner inconsistent with the principles and purposes of those documents. None of their weapons will ever be used except in self- defense or otherwise in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations.

3. They recognize that security is indivisible and that the security of each of their countries is inextricably linked to the security of all the states participating in the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

4. They undertake to maintain only such military capabilities as are necessary to prevent war and provide for effective defense. They will bear in mind the relationship between military capabilities and doctrines.

5. They reaffirm that every state has the right to be or not to be a party to a treaty of alliance.

6. They note with approval the intensification of political and military contacts among them to promote mutual understanding and confidence. They welcome in this context the positive responses made to recent proposals for new regular diplomatic liaison.

7. They declare their determination to contribute actively to conventional, nuclear and chemical arms control and disarmament agreements which enhance security and stability for all. In particular, they call for the early entry into force of the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe and commit themselves to continue the process of strengthening peace in Europe through conventional arms control within the framework of the CSCE. They welcome the prospect of new negotiations between the United States and the Soviet Union on the reduction of their short-range nuclear forces.

8. They welcome the contribution that confidence- and security- building measures have made to lessening tensions and fully support the further development of such measures. They reaffirm the importance of the ''Open Skies'' initiative and their determination to bring the negotiations to a successful conclusion as soon as possible.

9. They pledge to work together with the other CSCE participating states to strengthen the CSCE process so that it can make an even greater contribution to security and stability in Europe. They recognize in particular the need to enhance political consultations among CSCE participants and to develop other CSCE mechanisms. They are convinced that the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe and agreement on a substantial new set of confidence and security building measures, together with new patterns of cooperation in the framework of the CSCE, will lead to increased security and thus to enduring peace and stability in Europe.

They believe that the preceding points reflect the deep longing of their peoples for close cooperation and mutual understanding and declare that they will work steadily for the further development of their relations in accordance with the present declaration as well as with the principles set forth in the Helsinki Final Act.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 19) UPI - A gas leak caused an explosion and fire Monday at a synthetic rubber plant in western Siberia, killing four workers and leaving five injured.

The blast occurred as workers tried to stem a leak of divinylbenzene, a gas used to make synthetic rubber, in a shop at a plant in Krasnoyarsk, a major industrial city on the Trans-Siberian railroad, the official Tass news agency said.

''A large fire was localized within two hours,'' Tass said.

The official afternoon newspaper Izvestia reported that four workers were killed and five injured in the 11 a.m. explosion.

Krasnoyarsk, a city of 885,000 people, is a rail center and important port on the Yenisei River. Founded in the 17th century as a Cossack outpost, it is now home to one of the world's largest hydroelectric plants.

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#90323u1065 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 19) UPI - President Bush told the 34-nation summit marking the end of the Cold War that East and West now should- his words here- ''build on this success'' to see to it that Iraq withdraws from Kuwait. Bush spoke at the opening of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe, saying the success in Europe canNOT last if Iraq is allowed to ignore the rule of law.

Bush added his signature to those of other world leaders on the Conventional Forces in Europe Treaty. It effectively ends the Cold War and contains promises from both NATO and Warsaw Pact members never to wage war on each other again.

But the topic of war remained on everyone's lips at the summit. Specifically, the chances for war over Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Britain's Margaret Thatcher says the military option remains open as long as Iraq does NOT get out of Kuwait.

Iraq has offered to release all foreign hostages over a three-month period beginning at Christmas. But Bush and other leaders dismiss the offer as propaganda. One planeload of former hostages arrived in London early today. Their chartered jet is to arrive in Washington tonight .

President Boris Yeltsin of the Russian Federation- the biggest Soviet republic- is calling for a referendum on the performance of President Gorbachev. Yeltsin told the Ukrainian parliament in Kiev that the referendum also would ask Russians whether they have faith in the central government in Moscow.

British Prime Minister Thatcher today shrugged off the most dangerous challenge yet to her leadership of the ruling Conservative Party, saying- quoting now- ''it is NOT time to write memoirs yet.'' The Conservatives vote tomorrow on the party leader's post, with Michael Heseltine challenging Thatcher.

Florida State Prison officials in Starke describe as ''routine'' the electrocution this morning of Robert Raymond Clark, who died for the 1977 kidnapping and murder of a businessman. The 49-year-old Clark made NO last statement.

A researcher at the University of California-San Francisco has discovered an immune system abnormality in people suffering from chronic fatigue syndrome. And Dr. Jay Levy says that could lead to a blood test to help better diagnose

the mysterious ailment that may last for years.

A self-described ''Beatles freak'' paid 18-thosuand dollars for Paul McCartney's birth certificate at a weekend auction in Houston. Brian Taylor, a 26-year-old senior at Virginia Commonwealth University, says he will give McCartney the certificate if he shows up in person to claim it.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 73.80-76.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 121.00-128.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 39.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $205.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $414.50-$425.00; dealer- approx., $418.50-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 294.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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ERIE, PA (NOV. 19) UPI - A soldier facing shipment to Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield has filed suit in federal court to stop his transfer.

Pvt. Sandy Todd Mysnyk, 22, of Fairview claims the Army is not living up to promises made to him when he enlisted in September 1988.

Mysnyk says recruiters promised him that because he is an only son, he would not be sent to an overseas post. The suit claims that in March 1989, after training at Fort McClellan, Ala., Mysnyk was scheduled for service in Germany.

That schedule was changed after Mysnyk told his superiors about the enlistment promises regarding overseas duty. But now Mysnyk is temporarily assigned to Fort McClellan for reconnaissance vehicle training in preparation for shipment to Saudi Arabia, the suit said.

Mike Abrams, an Army spokesman at Fort McClellan, said Army officials have reported no problems with Mysnyk, despite his unhappiness with a potential overseas assignment.

''The soldier is still in training, the last I heard, and he has not been a difficult soldier here,'' Abrams said. ''He's apparently a good soldier.''

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PARIS (NOV. 19) UPI - President Bush, speaking at a 34-nation summit formally marking the end of the Cold War, declared Monday that East and West ''must build on this success'' to see to it that Saddam Hussein withdraws from Kuwait.

''Our success here can be neither profound nor enduring if the rule of law is shamelessly disregarded elsewhere,'' Bush told the opening day of the meeting by the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Earlier Monday, Bush and his 33 counterparts, including Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, signed an arms-reduction treaty - the Cold War's death certificate.

Bush promptly sought to use the new era of East-West cooperation to further escalate world pressure on Saddam to withdraw from Kuwait, which the Iraqi leader seized on Aug. 2.

Bush, on the third day of his week-long trip to Europe and the Middle East, is

seeking to build support for the possibility of using military force against Iraq. He says, however, he is still willing to give U.N.-mandated economic sanctions more time to produce a peaceful settlement. Earlier Monday, Bush and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher jointly denouced as a propaganda ploy Iraq's offer to begin releasing all hostages on Christmas Day - provided it is not attacked.

Bush, following a breakfast meeting with Thatcher, called the offer ''more of the same - more of the cruel parceling out of human life. I see nothing new in it.''

Thatcher angrily denounced Saddam's offer and vowed that if he does not remove his invasion forces from Kuwait, ''he has to be removed by force.''

''Evil has to be stopped,'' Thatcher said. ''Either he withdraws or the military option has to be used.''

The Persian Gulf crisis clearly dominated the CSCE conference, called to formally sign pacts to dramatically cut weapons across a suddenly more unified Europe.

Bush said the principles that have guided the CSCE include the beliefs that individuals must be able to ''enjoy the fruits of their labors'' and that nations ''must live by a rule of law as a prerequisite for human progress.''

''As we consecrate those principles here today, those same principles are grossly violated in the Persian Gulf,'' where Saddam has dismantled Kuwait, Bush said.

The president said the CSCE has come a long way in building a new level of East-West cooperation.

''Now we must build on this success here, and we should stand on it squarely, everywhere,'' the president said.

Bush, who drew prolonged applause from fellow CSCE members, read from the joint statement he and Gorbachev issued last fall after holding an emergency summit in Helsinki on the gulf crisis.

''Nothing short of complete implementation of the U.N. Security Council resolutions,'' which seek complete and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait, ''are aceptable,'' the president said, reading from 3-by-5 cards.

Then, looking up, the president said, "Can there be room for any other view?"

Bush planned to hold a dinner meeting Monday with Gorbachev and then hold a news conference, possibly joined by the Soviet leader.

The president is trying to line up votes from members of the U.N. Security Council for a resolution authorizing the use of military force if necessary in the gulf region.

Bush plans to celebrate Thanksgiving Day with some of the more than 230,000 U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf. Earlier this month, he ordered in about 150,000 reinforcements for a possible military offensive.

The president, who polls show is losing support at home for his handling of the crisis, wrote an article in the current issue of Newsweek that reiterated his reasons for sending in troops.

''Iraq's occupation of Kuwait has been a nightmare,'' the president said, citing atrocities against men, women and children, as well as Saddam's takeover of much of the world's oil supply.

''Many, understandably, counsel prolonged patience,'' Bush said. ''Yet, it is grim reality that with each passing day the consequences of Saddam's aggression grow.''

''Our national security is at stake,'' he said.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) UPI - Deteriorating economic conditions have led banks to increasingly tighten their credit standards, especially for commercial real estate loans, a Federal Reserve survey showed Monday.

The survey of senior loan officers, conducted in October, found that agencies and branches of foreign banks reported more restraint in their lending activities than did domestic banks. The pullback was least evident in consumer and home mortgage lending and was clearest in commercial real estate lending, the survey said.

"In sum, the results of this lending practices survey suggest that a deterioration in the general economic outlook since summer has prompted a sizable share of domestic (banks) to tighten credit standards more ..." the Fed said.

The survey appeared to lend credence to anecdotal evidence from borrowers who believe a "credit crunch" has been squeezing their pocketbooks in recent months.

The Fed said almost half of the domestic banks participating in the survey said they have tightened their terms and lending standards during the past three months for commercial real estate loans. Nearly two-thirds of the

domestic bankers said they have tightened credit standards for construction and land development loans.

Home mortgage lending remained a favorite vehicle among banks, although an increasing number of domestic banks reported a tightening of credit standards for residential mortgages during this quarter.

Virtually all of the banks indicated a "deterioration in the economic outlook" as a reason for the tightening, the Fed said. About two-fifths of the banks cited problems specific to the industries of their borrowers.

About one quarter of the participants cited a deterioration in the quality of their loan portfolio, pressures on capital positions and regulatory pressure as factors in their decisions to tighten.

Many bankers also told the Fed they have increased their fees for lines of credit and charged greater spreads of loan rates over base rates during the quarter. Nearly half of the bankers said they have reduced the sizes of credit lines to mid-sized and large borrowers.

A number of bankers also said customers denied credit at their banks were able to obtain loans at other institutions. Fewer numbers of bankers said their customers simply reduced their borrowing plans. Larger banks customers turned to public debt markets for alternative sources of funding while smaller customers favored finance companies.

As for household loans, about one quarter of the bankers said they have tightened credit standards for residential mortgages. Most of these bankers, located primarily in the Northeast, also noted higher downpayments and stricter household income requirements for loan approvals. Bankers were about split evenly on their willingness to make consumer installment loans.

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MIAMI (NOV. 19) UPI - A Panamanian official said he heard a tape recording of Gen. Manuel Noriega's telephone calls from jail more than four months ago during an official visit to the United States, The Miami Herald reported Monday.

The official's account indicates tapes of Noriega's phone conversations were being shared with others long before the Cable News Network broadcast portions last week.

CNN's airing of the tapes touched off a court battle over whether a news organization can be prohibited from broadcasting information in its possession.

The Supreme Court declined Sunday to review an order by U.S. District Judge

William Hoeveler barring CNN from broadcasting the tapes. Hoeveler issued the order after Noriega attorney Frank Rubino said airing the tapes would reveal the contents of confidential conversations between Noreiga and his attorneys and damage his right to a fair trial.

CNN said it would abide by an order to turn over the tapes to a magistrate for review but had not yet done so Monday.

The Herald quoted the unidentified Panamanian official as saying that a person with access to the recordings played one tape for him more than four months ago in order to prove to him that Noriega was conspiring to topple the government of Panamanian President Guillermo Endara.

''They allowed me to hear one tape to show me that Noriega was conspiring,'' The Herald quoted the Panamanian official as saying. ''Noriega talked with about eight people and would deliver coded messages in the midst of seemingly innocuous conversations.''

The Herald said the Panamanian official asked the newspaper not to disclose the position of the person who allowed him to hear the tape or the city where it was played.

He said he heard tapes containing conversations Noriega had with, among other people, Luis Gomez, a former legislator for Noriega's Revolutionary Democratic party who has taken refuge at the Cuban Embassy in Panama, and with media consultant Norma Amado, who is the mother of one of the general's friends.

Parts of the conversations heard by the Panamanian official coincided with those released by CNN in recent days, the official said. But the tapes aired by CNN offered little evidence that Noriega is waging a campaign to topple the Endara government.

The most enigmatic passges are those in which Noriega seems to order money transfers.

In his conversation with Gomez, Noriega ordered a transfer of either $5,000 or $5 million for a book Gomez is writing. Another transfer of $3,000 that is alluded to in a conversation with Amado was meant for Noriega's attorneys, he claimed.

Mario Rognoni, a former Noriega commerce secretary who receives frequent phone calls from Noriega, said reports that Noriega was ordering money transfers to promote a military rebellion ''are nonsense.''

''It's not in Noriega's interest to topple this government,'' Rognoni said. ''This government is sinking so fast and the U.S. intervention is turning into such a disappointment for the people, that the best thing for Noriega to clear his name is not to do anything,'' Rognoni siad.

Noriega has been jailed in Miami since shortly after the December invasion of Panama. He is awaiting tiral on charges of marijuana smuggling and providing a drug-trafficking and money laundering sanctuary for South American drug smugglers.

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DETROIT (NOV. 19) UPI - Chrysler Corp. employees have given overwhelming approval to their new three-year labor contract reached with the United Auto Workers Oct. 31, the union said Monday.

Workers gave the pact an 89 percent approval rate, surpassing approval rates last month for similar "pattern" agreements by workers at General Motors Corp. and Ford Motor Co. Those were 80 percent and 82 percent, respectively. The new Chrysler/UAW contract covers about 60,000 hourly and 6,000 salaried workers, union spokesman Bob Barbee said.

All three pacts follow the same basic patterns of wages, benefits and pension gains, as well as extensive income security measures that the union established in negotiations with GM this summer.

All three pacts call for a three percent wage increase in the first year and three percent lump sum payments in the second and third years, as well as three annual Christmas bonuses of $600 each.

Layoffs are limited to 36 weeks over the life of the agreements, while pensions have been raised from about $1,500 to $1,800 a month. Penalties against excessive use of overtime instead of additional new jobs hirings also were stiffened. The Chrysler pact is backed by a $705 million commitment to maintain workers' income, even if sales slump and plants close.

While that is seen as expensive for the No. 3 automaker, Chrysler was able to obtain a three-shift system at its St. Louis No. 2 minivan plant in Fenton, Mo., which allows it to increase production and profits on those popular vehicles.

That provision calls for three shifts of workers at the Fenton plant, with workers assigned a 35-hour week but getting paid for 40 hours. In two of every three weeks, each crew could be required to work a nine-hour shift on Saturdays.

Fenton workers had voted against this plan last November, in part because it would have reduced their overtime income. But under the new plan, overtime would be paid for the ninth and tenth hours of a scheduled ten-hour shift.

The UAW was able to retain a provision that allows Chrysler workers to retire

after 30 years of service before they reach age 60. Chrysler, which has the highest ratio of active to retired workers of any U.S. automaker, had sought to scrap that provision.

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(NOV. 19) UPI - Iraq said Monday it would send more than 250,000 additional troops to Kuwait in anticipation of a possible attack from the U.S.-led multinational force in the Persian Gulf.

The official Iraqi news agency INA reported the decision was made during a meeting of the general command of the Iraqi armed forces presided over by President Saddam Hussein.

''During the meeting it was decided to mass immediately an additional seven divisions (of about 20,000 men each) and call in more than 150,000 reserves,'' INA quoted an official statement as saying. ''Therefore we are adding to our strength in Kuwait more than quarter of a million fighters to keep our superiority, which is unquestionable.''

According to American estimates, there are about 400,000 Iraqi troops already in the emirate Iraq invaded Aug. 2 and later annexed. Iraq is estimated to have 1 million troops in its regular army and another 500, 000 in reserve.

The United States has deployed over 230,000 troops to Saudi Arabia and plans to deploy another 100,000 in the coming weeks.

President Bush, meeting world leaders during a historic treaty summit in Paris said there is ''no room for compromise'' with Saddam and dismissed an Iraqi offer to free thousands of foreign hostages in Iraq and occupied Kuwait beginning on Christmas Day.

Bush, in Paris to officially end the Cold War with the signing of the Conventional Forces in Europe Treaty, called the surprise Iraqi announcement a ''cynical ploy'' and joined British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher in demanding the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraq's invasion forces from Kuwait.

The U.S. dominates a multi-national force of nearly a half-million troops in the Persian Gulf area to discourage Iraq from expanding its Aug. 2 invasion and annexation of Kuwait to other nations, especially the Saudi Arabian oil fields.

Thatcher said after a breakfast meeting with Bush at the U.S. Embassy that Saddam's ''evil has to be be stopped'' and vowed ''either he withdraws or the military option has to be used.''

Iraq's information minister condemned the two leaders for the statements, counter-charging the U.S.-dominatd military buildup in the Persian Gulf is a Western ploy to dominate oil resources in the region.

Meanwhile, a chartered Iraqi airliner with 76 Americans, 12 Britons and 22 other former hostages arrived in London early Monday from Kuwait on a flight delayed by an emergency stop in Athens for repairs, Cairo radio said.

The Americans were to continue on to the United States and arrive at Washington's Dulles International Airport at 7:30 p.m. EST.

In another development, Iran accepted a new ambassador from Kuwait in Tehran in an apparent acknowledgement that Iraq now controls the occupied emirate.

The official Iranian news agency IRNA said in a brief dispatch that President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani accepted the credentials of Ambassador Fawzi al-Jasim.

Other countries have refused to recognize Kuwaiti diplomats appointed by the Iraqi authorities.

''The president expressed concern over the incidents in Kuwait and hoped that the country's problems would be solved soon so that the Kuwaiti people will be able to live in complete security and peace in their homeland,'' IRNA said.

Iran, which fought a bitter Persian Gulf War with Iraq from 1980- 1988, has condemned the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait but has been receptive to Baghdad's overtures in recent months.

Iraq has returned hundreds of Iranian prisoners of war since the crisis began and has agreed to recognize disputed borders between the countries.

A brief dispatch by the official Iraqi news agency INA Sunday said Saddam would release all hostages in phases beginning Christmas day through March 25.

About 3,000 foreigners, most of them men, are trapped in Iraq and Kuwait, either as hostages at key sites to discourage attack by the multi-national force, or because they are hiding from the authorities.

Observers said Iraq may be trying to buy more time by announcing the release of the hostages over a protracted period.

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TROY, MI (NOV. 19) UPI - Volkswagen of America Inc. announced Monday company president and chief executive officer Hans-Jorg Hungerland has been named to the newly created board of management of the Volkswagen brand in Wolfsburg, West Germany.

Hungerland, 49, will be succeeded at VWoA by William J. Young, currently vice president in charge of Volkswagen United States. Young, 47, will maintain day-to-day management responsibility for Volkswagen United States.

As the member of the Volkswagen board in charge of sales, Hungerland will be responsible for VW and Audi sales worldwide. His appointment is effective during the first quarter of 1991.

The appointments result from actions approved Friday by the Supervisory Board of Management of Volkswagen AG, which extended Chairman Dr. Carl Hahn's contract until Dec. 31, 1993, and created a new organizational structure that makes a distinction between management of the VW Group and the Volkswagen, Audi and SEAT brands.

Assigning day-to-day management of the VW brand to a separate board is intended to allow the VW Group Board, headed by Hahn, to devote more time to managing the VW Group's global activities.

Hahn, 64, had been scheduled to retire on Dec. 31, 1991, but was asked by the board to continue as chairman for two additional years to continue to lead the company's expansion drive in Eastern Europe, Asia and the Americas.

The VW Group is the world's fourth-largest carmaker. VWoA has been marketing VW models in the United States since 1949 and Audis since 1969. It employs 1,900 people nationwide, including about 900 in southeastern Michigan.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 19) UPI - Laventhol & Horwath confirmed Monday its partners met over the weekend to discuss proposals to save the nation's seventh-largest accounting firm.

Chief Executive Officer Robert Levine declined to detail the business proposals discussed by some 350 partners at a meeting in Houston, but a report in the New York Times said the partners were considering possibly disbanding the firm or cutting the number of offices by almost half to about 25.

''At this time we cannot comment on any of the business plans discussed at the meeting,'' Levine said in a press statement.

The firm, which recently cut its employees' pay by 10 percent, has been under financial strain because of several lawsuits that allege poor work on a number of audits and consulting projects.

Among its troubles: Laventhol is defending itself in a multimillion- dollar lawsuit over its audit of the PTL ministry of Jim Bakker.

In recent weeks, partners have of the firm, which built its reputation as a lodging industry specialist, have been leaving in droves.

Several offices around the country, including San Francisco and Kansas City, Mo., are said to have explored separating from the national firm, the New York Times said.

The paper reported two of Laventhol's lenders have proposed paring Laventhol's offices from 50 to about 25 to 30.

Laventhol's client roster includes such companies as Trans World Airlines Inc. and Hyatt Corp.

The next few weeks will be crucial, since they represent the last chance for Laventhol's clients to defect before year-end audits begin.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Amer Bankers Insur	Q	.12 1/2	12-21	12-7
Anthony Indus	Q	.11	1-2	12-28
Badger Meter Inc	Q	.15 1/8	12-14	11-30
Bancorp NJ	Q	.12	12-14	12-1
Brady (WH) Co cl-A	Q	.12	1-31	1-11
CCNB Corp	Q	.20	12-15	11-30
Citizens Bancorp m	Q	.27	12-31	12-7
Coors (Adolph) cl-B	Q	.12 1/2	12-17	11-30
Dekalb Genetic cl-B	Q	.20	12-14	11-30
Donaldson Co	Q	.11	12-10	11-29
Edwards (AG) Inc	Q	.17	1-2	12-7
Eldorado Bancorp	Q	.08	1-7	12-7
Firstbank of IL	Q	.20	1-1	12-14
Hewlett-Packard	Q	.10 1/2	1-16	12-26
Hilton Hotels	Q	.30	12-28	12-14
Isco Inc	Q	.05	1-2	12-14
Maui Land & Pineapple	Q	.25	12-31	12-3
Newport Corp	Q	.04	12-14	11-30
Ohio Art Co	Q	.06	2-4	1-7
Unifirst Corp	Q	.03	1-3	12-13

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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(NOV. 19) UPI - Reports Iraq was sending more troops to Kuwait caused a turnabout in oil markets, sending crude prices higher in morning trading Monday after they had dropped over $1 a barrel.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate for December delivery was selling at $30.60 a barrel in late morning trading Monday, 82 cents higher than Friday's $29.78 a barrel close, after trading as low as $28.50 a barrel.

''There's a story out that (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein is ordering about 200,000 more troops to Kuwait,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading at United Energy Inc. in New York.

''Crude came in bearish, but the story turned a lot of people around and created an uneasy feeling in the market,'' the trader said.

Monday is the final day of trading the WTI December delivery contract and many traders had expected it would fall as low as $27 a barrel in the absence of any war news from the Persian Gulf as the market focused on ample supplies of crude worldwide.

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According to U.S. estimates, there are about 400,000 Iraqi troops already in the occupied emirate, which Iraq invaded Aug. 2. Iraq is estimated to have 1 million troops in its regular army and another 500, 000 men in the reserves.

On the Merc, unleaded gasoline for December delivery was up 2.57 cents to 80.20 cents a gallon, while December home heating oil had gained 1.18 cents to 85.60 cents a gallon.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash,

Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was up 33 cents to $30.53 a barrel.

United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light for January delivery - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - had gained 50 cents to $25.80 a barrel.

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#90323u1221 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 19) UPI - Earth tremors at two gold mines have killed six workers and left six missing thousands of feet underground, mine officials said Monday.

A tremor measuring 1.67 on the Richter scale caved in a shaft at the Western Deep Levels mine early Monday, killing three men and leaving six others missing, parent company Anglo American Corp. said.

Rescuers were searching for the six, an Anglo spokesman said.

The accident at the mine west of Johannesburg took place some 11,500 feet below the surface, the spokesman said.

Three men died 6,900 feet underground at the Buffelsfontein mine in the central town of Klerksdorp Saturday after a tremor measuring 3.2 shook loose tons of earth, mine onwer Genmin said.

South Africa's worst mining disaster this year killed 19 miners and injured 22 at the Vaal Reefs mine, southwest of Johannesburg, in September.

The black National Union of Mineworkers estimates more than 68,000 miners have died and 1 million been disabled in mine accidents since 1900 in South Africa, the world's biggest gold producer.

In 1989, the NUM says, 735 workers died, a total it expects to be eclipsed this year. The union has calculated a miner who works underground for 20 years risks one chance in 30 of being killed and has a 50 percent chance of being disabled.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Pitcher Tim Leary Monday signed a guaranteed three-year contract with the New York Yankees, with the club holding options for the 1994 and 1995 seasons.

Leary, who had been a free agent, was 9-19 with a 4.11 ERA for the Yankees last season. The Yankees acquired him from Cincinnati before last season in the trade that sent first baseman Hal Morris to the Reds.

Leary, 31, pitched 208 innings to lead the Yankees in 1989. It was his fourth straight season with more than 200 innings pitched. He was victimized by poor support, receiving a total of 38 runs in his 19 losses.

In six-plus major league seasons, Leary is 54-75 with a 3.79 ERA. His best season was 1988, when he went 17-11 with a 2.91 ERA for the World Series champion Los Angeles Dodgers. He also pitched for the New York Mets and Milwaukee Brewers.

''We showed Tim at the end of the season that we were interested in bringing him back to pitch in 1991 for the New York Yankees,'' Yankees General Manager Gene Michael said. ''This is a very nice contract. Tim pitched well last year but I think he will have a better record in 1991.''

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 19) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4- 1.03 1/4. .

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (NOV. 19) UPI - Hungarians who lost property when the communists seized power in 1948 may be able to buy back their land using so-called ''damage bonds'' under a proposed agreement among officials of five leading political parties.

The proposal, which must be approved by parliament, attempts to answer one of the thorniest questions posed by the breakup of communism in Eastern Europe - how to fairly redistribute land and businesses that were collectivized four decades ago.

The Smallholders Party, a junior partner in the ruling coalition, ran its election campaign on a promise to fully restore all property to the owners of record in 1948, or to their descendants.

But others contend such a move would be disruptive to the economy and in many cases virtually impossible to administer. Opponents also claim that peasants who worked collective farms over the last four decades should not be merely pushed aside but should be entitled to some equity for their labor.

Under the proposed agreement late Sunday by financial experts of five of the six parliamentary parties, Hungarians who owned property before 1948 would be given ''damage bonds'' which they could use repurchase their property. If their former lands are now part of a collective farm, they could use the bonds to purchase shares in the farm.

In addition, members of agricultural cooperatives would receive ''property bonds'' enabling them to purchase shares, party officials said.

Hungary's major political parties have acknowledged that land owners were wrongfully deprived of their property by the communists, and that the government must somehow rectify this injustice.

Geza Zsiros, a legislator for the Small Holders' party, described the proposed compromise as the ''most important step since the land reform of 1945, which would affect millions of people.''

The 1945 land reform act broke up the vast estates formerly owned by the nobility and the church, distributing most of the land among peasants.

But three years later, following the forced nationalization of industry and commerce by the communists, many landowners were forced to surrender their holdings to state-run cooperatives.

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OMAHA (NOV. 19) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 2,200; slaughter steers and heifers 1.00-1.50 higher than last Wednesday to a very good demand; slaughter cows and bulls near steady with last Wednesday; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-4 1100-1350 lb 81.50-82.50, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 80.00-81.50, select 77.50-80.00; holsteins select and choice No 2-3 1200-1450 lb 70.00- 71.00; heifers choice No 2-4 975-1200 lb 81.00- 82.50, select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 79.50-81.50, select 77.00-79.50; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 breaking few 48.00-52.00, boning few 46.00-52.00, low to average cutter 40.00-47.00.

Hogs 2,500; butchers weak to 50 lower, No 1-3 220-260 lb 49.50-50.00, No 2-3 250-290 lb 47.50- 49.00, 290-310 lb 45.50-46.50; sows 30 percent, 1.00-2.00 lower, No 1-3 350-500 lb 42.00-42.50, 40 head around 475 lb 43.50, No 2-3 500 650 lb 48.00-48.50.

Sheep 200; slaughter lambs 1.00 lower, ewes steady; shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 110-130 lb No 1-2 pelts 46.00-47.00, weights outside these ranges discounted; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb 44.00-45.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 19) UPI - The radical anti-apartheid Pan Africanist Congress accused the government Monday of insincerity in refusing to grant 14 senior exiles of the movement temporary immunity so they could return home for major policy discussions.

The Justice Ministry rejected the criticism in a statement issued later in the day, saying the 14 refused to comply with even the minimum requirements put by the government, namely to subscribe to the principles of peaceful solutions and development in South Africa.

President Frederik de Klerk invited the exclusively black PAC to join preliminary power-sharing talks in much the same way the larger African National Congress had held negotiations with the minority white government.

Unlike the ANC, the PAC has not declared a formal suspension of armed struggle against white rule. In August, at its second round of formal talks with the government, the ANC declared an indefinite suspension of its 29-year guerrilla war in exchange for further racial reforms.

But PAC General Secretary Benny Alexander told a news conference the refusal by the Justice Ministry raised doubts over the government's sincerity and

''exposed the lie that political organizations are totally unbanned and free to conduct their affairs normally.''

Legal representatives applied for temporary indemnity under recently enacted legislation for 14 exiles to return for a three-day national conference starting Dec. 7.

The PAC originally sought permission for the exiles to return for the funeral earlier this month of PAC President Zeph Mothopeng but the government said not all ''bureaucratic procedures had been met,'' Alexander told reporters.

The exiles included PAC Administrative Secretary Joe Mkhwanazi, Secretary for Foreign Affairs Ahmen Gora Ibrahim and the chief representative in Australia, Neville Legg.

The PAC in September deferred a decision on whether to join preliminary talks with Pretoria on ending apartheid, pending the national conference. The PAC was formed in 1959 in an ideological split with the ANC. Both movements, outlawed in 1960, were legalized Feb. 2 by de Klerk in the opening moves of his racial reform campaign.

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(NOV. 19) UPI - The Cold War officially ended in a historic ceremony in Paris today in which leaders of the Warsaw Pact and NATO nations signed a conventional weapons reduction treaty. The ceremony opened a three-day summit of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe... a meeting of 34 nations. In opening remarks, French President Francois Mitterrand told the nations that they were ''putting an end to the previous age.''

Within hours, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev called for further arms talks to reduce short-range nuclear weapons and naval-based armaments. Gorbachev also said the world-wide reaction to the August 2nd Iraqi invasion of Kuwait shows what he termed the ''radical shift in our mind-set'' because an armed attack united the nations, rather than divided them. Gorbachev said the world is ready to show patience in the quest for a political solution to the crisis but also is determined to enforce U-N resolutions on the situation.

Iraq is ordering another seven divisions... plus 150-thousand reservists... into the front lines opposite the U-S-led multi-national force in the Persian Gulf. The addition of another 250-thousand Iraqi troops to the front is expected to push their total numbers to 650- thousand.

The troop movements come as world leaders dismiss an Iraqi offer to free all foreign hostages over a three-month period- if it is NOT attacked. One planeload of hostages made it as far as London today aboard a chartered Iraqi jetliner. The plane is to land in Washington later today.

Britain's Margaret Thatcher is attacking the only candidate opposing her for leadership of the ruling Conservative Party. Thatcher says the policies of Michael Heseltine, once part of her Cabinet, are more like those of the opposition Labor Party. The Conservative Party election is set for tomorrow.

An attorney says 13-year-old Jean-Pierre Bosze died today in a suburban Chicago hospital. The boy was the leukemia victim whose father tried to force a bone marrow transplant from the teen's half-siblings. The father lost a court battle in which he tried to force the children he fathered with another woman to undergo tests to determine whether they could be suitable bone-marrow donors.

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BEIRUT (NOV. 19) UPI - The Christian Lebanese Forces militia Monday halted its withdrawal from east Beirut, defying a government warning to evacuate the capital by midnight, a militia official said.

LF Command member Alfred Madi said his militia stopped the pullout from the Christian neighborhood of Ashrafiyeh and the nearby seaside headquarters in Karantina ''until a number of issues are settled.''

''We are not ready to hand Ashrafiyeh over after the government (of Syrian-backed President Elias Hrawi) failed to maintain security in the Metn areas,'' Madi told United Press International.

He was referring to the presence of rival Syrian-backed militia groups that occupied buildings in the Metn areas east of Beirut following the ouster of Christian Gen. Michel Aoun by a Syrian-Lebanese thrust Oct. 13.

Madi's remarks came on the last day of an ultimatum set by Hrawi's government for all militias to evacuate the capital as create a militia- free, unified Beirut. The ultimatum was to expire at midnight.

All other militias present in Beirut, including the Shiite Amal movement, the Druze-dominant Progressive Socialist Party and the pro- Iranian Hezbollah, pulled out last week.

Christian militia chief Samir Geagea told the government he would not pull his forces from east Beirut as long as gunmen of the breakaway LF militia of Elie Hobeika and the Syrian Social National Party remained active in the region.

Hobeika was toppled by Geagea in 1986 after he signed a Syrian- sponsored peace treaty to end the civil war with Moslem militia groups. Hobeika then rallied supporters in Syrian-patrolled Lebanese areas and formed the ''Waad'' Party.

The spillover of pro-Syrian militiamen into the Christian heartland provoked outrage by traditional leading Christian figures, namely Geagea, the Maronite Patriarch Nasrallah Sfair and George Saadeh, chairman of the Phalange Party.

The LF measure was taken despite a government announcement that all Hobeika and SSNP offices in the newly captured Christian region were shut down and controlled by the army of Gen. Emile Lahoud.

''The government has so far failed to maintain security in these areas. We are not ready to accept that Ashrafiyeh becomes a place for kidnapping and chaos '' Madi said.

He charged Hobeika's gunmen with kidnapping a number of LF supporters and the government with failing to contain such violations.

Madi said the Lebanese Forces supported government efforts to eliminate all armed militias in and around Beirut but ''more time was needed until the government regains full control of these areas.''

Presidential sources described the LF move as ''a last-minute maneuver'' and expressed its belief that the militia will pull out before the day ends.

The sources said the ultimatum may be extended 48 hours to break the stalemate.

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#90323u1292 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

MILAN, ITALY (NOV. 19) UPI - Three World War II-era machine guns and more than 1,000 rounds of ammunition were discovered in a ceiling Monday by workers renovating Milan's municipal accounting office, police said.

The weapons, wrapped in brown paper and in good working order, were labeled with a ''Do Not Touch'' warning, investigators said. Police also found a packet of vintage cigarettes from the wartime era in the fourth- floor office.

Investigators said they believe that the well-protected guns, of German, British and Italian manufacture, were hidden half a century ago to be used in resistance fighting against invading German troops.

The city office is across the street from the famed La Scala opera house.

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#90323u1298 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA (NOV. 19) UPI - The first U.S. citizen charged under Malaysia's harsh drug trafficking law testified Monday in a trial that could send him to the gallows, telling a judge he bought $19 of marijuana to ease

his pain.

Kerry Lane Wiley, 38, told Justice Shaik Daud Ismail he smoked marijuana daily because of pain in his joints, saying he had given up on other medicines because they were ineffective.

''I have a medical problems which have no standard cure and a missing cartilage in both my knees,'' said Wiley, of Sacramento. ''I have a symptom of arthritis in my both hands and also periostitis in my left arm, wrist and ankle.''

Wiley, who works as a computer technician, said his illness was the result of an accident at age 12 when he fell off a 60-foot cliff in Hemet, Calif., where he broke an arm and foot and suffered several head lacerations.

Wiley is the first U.S. citizen to be charged under a Malaysian statute mandating the death sentence for anyone caught with half an ounce or more of heroin or morphine, 2 pounds of opium, or 6.4 ounces of marijuana.

He was charged with trafficking in 9.4 ounces of marijuana, worth about $19.

Malaysia first introduced the death penalty for drug offenses in 1975 as an option for judges sentencing convicted traffickers. The government of Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad amended the law in 1983 to make it mandatory that all convicted traffickers be hanged.

Since 1975, more than 100 people have been executed under Malaysia's tough anti-drug laws, including 27 foreigners.

Questioned by defense attorney Shafee Abdullah, Wiley said his problems seemed to start during a trip between Thailand and Malaysia when he had an argument with customs officer who asked for money to grant him an extended visa. He said he told them he would report the matter to the Malaysian government and the American Embassy.

The judge interrupted, correcting Wiley that it is not customs who issues visa but immigration officers.

Wiley said customs officers later raided a house in the suburb of Kuala Lumpur where he had been a guest. In a storeroom, they retrieved a bag they said belonged to him, which contained several items of clothing and six tin cans of marijuana.

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#90323u1309 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

BUCHAREST, Romania (NOV. 19) UPI - About 300 people demonstrated in the capital Monday to protest the founding of a new left-wing political party that

includes remnants of the discredited Romanian Communist Party.

''They're back again,'' said one protester, Dr. Dorin Scafes, 60, a retired physician who literally shook with rage when asked about the newly formed Socialist Workers Party.

''These are the original communists, the worst kind,'' he said.

The party was established over the weekend with the merger of the Democratic Workers Party and the Socialist Party, the reincarnation of the Communist Party that ruled Romania for four decades.

The leader of the new party, Nicolae Balasoiu, has hinted that Romania's government should resurrect some of the hard-line tactics of the past, saying, ''Discipline and hard work are what's lacking now.''

Some of the 300 protesters who gathered outside the communists' old Central Committee building said they would oppose any attempt to return Romania to authoritarian rule.

''We're afraid that this party will either fuse with the Front or will distract people from the Front,'' said Constantin Buzea, a car salesman. The National Salvation Front, which won a landslide victory in the historic parliamentary elections in May, has been criticized by the opposition for its alleged authoritarian tendencies and because many of its members are former communist officials.

''The biggest fear is that communism will come out in the open again. It's already here with the human face of the Front,'' Scafes said.

At the time of the overthrow of dictator Nicolae Ceausescu, the Romanian Communist Party had 3.8 million members, more per capita than in any communist group in Eastern Europe.

The party was outlawed shortly after Ceausescu's execution Dec. 25 but the ban was lifted three days later.

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PARIS (NOV. 19) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev called Monday for negotiations on reducing tactical nuclear weapons in Europe and renewed an earlier proposal to include naval forces in future arms talks.

The Soviet leader, addressing a session of the Conference on European Security and Cooperation, said Moscow would be patient in seeking a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis but insisted on implemention of the U.N. Security Council resolutions demanding an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Gorbachev told the 34 heads of state and government in Paris that no one has fully grasped the implications of the changes taking place in Europe.

''It can be said with full certainty that 1990 will be remembered as the decisive year of an age we are leaving behind us marked by two world wars and almost half a century of nuclear antagonism between two social systems,'' he said.

He said the political changes brought the issue of tactical nuclear weapons in Europe to the forefront and urged that the agenda of the upcoming Vienna negotiations on troop levels be broadened to include the short-range weapons.

''We would be prepared to start negotiations on that subject within another month or two,'' he said.

''Our proposal to jointly give some thought to the concept of what exactly we mean by nuclear deterrence and where to draw the line beyond which nuclear retaliatory capability may develop into an offensive capability, is indicative of our willingness to proceed gradually towards the elimination of that capability,'' Gorbachev said.

The second phase of the Vienna negotiations scheduled to begin next week will deal with the reduction of troops within the Warsaw Pact and NATO.

Tactical or short-range nuclear weapons are not on the agenda of the Vienna negotiations. The first phase in the talks led to a wide-ranging agreement on the reduction of conventional forces in Europe that was signed Monday by the leaders of the Warsaw Pact and NATO.

Gorbachev also called for the continuation of talks on the ''open skies'' negotiations that would allow each side to fly over the other's territory to verify comliance with disarmament treaties.

The Soviet leader hinted he would not use Moscow's veto power to block a U.N. Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq.

He said the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait had become a ''grave test as we begin our movement toward a new, peaceful period in history.''

''Our unity in condemning it and our shared concern over the outcome of the crisis are also indicative of a radical shift in our mindset and the perception of the goals and means available in world politics,'' he said.

''Any armed attack, wherever it may occur, now unites us rather than scatter us on the different sides of the baricades,'' Gorbachev continued.

''Urging the aggressor's withdrawal from Kuwait, we are defending the hopes

that millions of people have begun to pin on the ability of the international community to cope with even the most critical conflicts. If we disappoint these hopes much of what we have accomplished in the last few years will be in jeopardy.''

''We are prepared to show patience in the quest for a political solution, but we will remain firm and determined in implementing the will of the United Nations,'' he said.

Recognizing the internal problems fragmenting his country, Gorbachev said the Soviet Union ''will remain a great world and European factor, playing an innovative and stabilizing role in line with its huge potential.''

Gorbachev said he hoped the NATO alliance would follow the Warsaw Pact and begin to transform itself in order to take ''stock of the profound and apparently irreversible changes taking place in Europe.''

The Soviet leader recalled that Monday marked the first anniversary of his first summit with President Reagan in Geneva.

''Whereas five years ago we discussed ways of reversing the slide towards nuclear catastrophe, today the Soviet Union and the United States are no longer adversaries, but partners.''

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#90323u1352 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - The head of striking unions at the Daily News put pressure on Police Commissioner Lee Brown Monday to follow up on a charge that policemen are being used as a private security force for the newspaper.

George McDonald, president of the Allied Printing Trades Council, arranged a meeting with Brown to discuss the charge made Sunday by the American Civil Liberties Union, according to council spokesman Mike Cunningham.

''The role of the police in the 26-day strike is what McDonald is interested in,'' Cunningham said. ''The ACLU charge only backs up what we've been saying all along. It calls for an investigation and Mr. McDonald is going to find out if there will be one.''

Norman Siegel, executive director of the ACLU's New York chapter, accused the Police Department of siding with the News and preventing workers from exercising their rights to fee speech and assembly. He said there was growing hostility on the part of police officers against striking News workers.

''The police have to be neutral in this strike and all others, and they are not,'' Siegel said. ''There's a complete non-recognition of the strikers' First Amendment rights. The NYPD has turned into a private security force for

the Daily News.''

The Police Department had no immediate comment, according to Sgt. Grace Ridley a police spokeswoman, but a 3 p.m. meeting between Brown and McDonald was hastily arranged at McDonald's request.

Lisa Robinson, a Daily News spokeswoman, said the newspaper would have no comment on Siegel's charge.

Siegel said the attitude of some policemen, whom he described as young and poorly trained, was that supporters of the strike were ''anti- establishment, anti-status quo'' and therefore ''anti-police.''

He noted the case of Ed Borges, a striking News reporters who was arrested Friday after he tried to write down police badge numbers at a striker demonstration. Borges claimed at a press conference an on television that he was beaten and verbally abused and displayed wrists swollen by handcuffs to prove it.

Police said Borges, who attended the demonstration as a reporter for the union-sponsored strike paper, had been issued a desk appearance ticket on charges of resisting arrest, harassment and interfering with the arrest of another striker accused of pushing a police officer. If convicted, he could be sentenced to a year in prison and fined $1,000.

Siegel said Borges' arrest violated a 1977 federal court decree tht gives citizens the right to ask for police badge numbers. He asked police to drop charges against Borges or he would file a police brutality report or a civil rights suit.

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LONDON (NOV. 19) UPI - Stock prices closed broadly higher in moderate trading Monday on the London International Stock Exchange, boosted by the U.S. Federal Reserve's moves to ease monetary policy and brokers's predictions the traditional year-end rally had begun.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 8.0 points Friday, climbed 27.9 points to 2,095.0. The narrower top 30 industrial average surged 33.2 points to 1,648.0.

Volume amounted to around 401 million shares.

The Financial Times 100 index ended at its best level since Oct. 25, but late news Iraq was sending another 200,000 troops to Kuwait dampened the euphoria as oil prices, which had slipped to $27 per barrel, bounced back to around the $30 a barrle level, analysts said.

Analysts said Friday's move by the Federal Reserve easing credit boosted local enthusiam.

Market watchers said stocks were also boosted by Iraq's offer to free thousands of foreign hostages held in Iraq and occupied Kuwait beginning on Christmas Day.

A brief dispatch Sunday by the official Iraqi News Agency in Baghdad said the announcement to release hostages beginning on Christmas Day came after Saddam Husseim met with government officials.

''It has been decided that foreign guests would be allowed to travel in batches ... from Dec. 25 and within a period of three months, the last batch of which would leave the Iraqi territories on March 25 unless something would take place that (would) mar the atmosphere of peace,'' INA said.

Observers said Iraq may be trying to buy more time by announcing the release of the hostages over a protracted period.

Meanwhile on the local economic front, the Central Statistical Office reported Britain's gross domestic product fell 1 percent in the third quarter, for its first drop in output in more than 5 years.

On the trading floor, among some of the day's highlights, WPP Group tumbled $2.41 to $5.30 after the company issued a profits warning. Analysts said they are now expecting the company to report profits of $176 million, $215 million lower than expected.

Grand Metropolitan added 20 cents to 11.20 and Bass gained 42 cents to $19.65as speculators awaited a ruling on a pubs swap deal.

Elsewhere, Thorn EMI gained 38 cents to $12.12.

Meanwhile, in Frankfurt, stock prices closed broadly higher in active trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 4.49 points Friday, climbed 41.79 points to 1,467.47.

Traders said local enthusiam was boosted by Iraq's offer to free ''foreign guests.''

Elsewhere stocks ended broadly higher in Paris. The Paris General Index gained 4.23 points to 354.32.

Meanwhile, a strike by floor traders pressing for government legislation to reform the market in Milan closed the Milan Stock Exchange for the second

consecutive session. The strike was expected to continue Tuesday.

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(NOV. 19) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Amerihealth (3rd Q 9-30)	
$16,680,000	$14,970,000
d-$77,000	d-$111,000
d-Deficit.	
Andrew Corp (4th Q 9-30)	
$103,489,000	$89,236,000
$7,251,000 (.73)	$7,158,000 (.71)
Claire's Stores Inc (3rd Q 11-3)	
$58,115,000	$39,549,000
$3,581,000 (.18)	$3,434,000 (.17)
Harken Energy (3rd Q 9-30)	
$145,500,000	$326,200,000
d-$5,745,000	$2,216,000 (.04)
d-Deficit.	
McFarland Energy (3rd Q 9-30)	
$4,990,000	$3,752,000
$599,000 (.11)	$377,000 (.07)
Wholesale Club (3rd Q 11-3)	
$176,079,000	$134,937,000
$432,000 (.05)	$347,000 (.05)

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 19) UPI - Van Camp Seafoods said Monday it would place a new label on its Chicken of the Sea tuna cans so that shoppers will have an easier time finding dolphin-safe tuna in grocery stores.

The red-on-white logo featuring a larger mermaid will begin appearing on supermarket shelves nationwide later this month, the company said in a statement.

''We selected this new logo so consumers can quickly recognize they are

selecting the right (tuna),'' said marketing director Don George.

''Our research shows consumers strongly prefer our new design, and that it enhances the product's image.''

Van Camp said in April it would stop buying tuna caught in the Eastern Tropical Pacific unless it was verified that it was not caught with fishing techniques that endanger dolphins that usually swim with tuna in that area.

A bill requiring all tuna canned in the United States to be labeled as either dolphin-safe or unsafe is expected to be signed by President Bush later this month, Van Camp said.

American tuna fishermen, most of whom fear they will be driven out of business by the new purchasing practice, currently use giant purse sein nets that trap dolphins along with the fish. Fishermen have argued that they go to great lengths to shoo the dolphins out of the nets before drawing them in.

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#90323u1392 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (NOV. 19) UPI - Political observers predicted that Prime Minister Michel Rocard will narrowly survive a no-confidence vote Monday in the National Assembly with a handful of independents determining his fate.

Debate began Monday afternoon and the votes were expected to be counted by 6 p.m. EST.

A no-confidence vote would require President Francois Mitterrand to appoint a new prime minister and to organize a new government, which would be a major embarrassment for France amid the 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe that opened Monday in Paris.

The prominent center-left afternoon daily Le Monde predicted that Rocard's opponents had 286 or 287 votes, must short of the 289 needed to topple the government. The left-wing daily Liberation reported that the motion of no-confidence had 285 votes, four short of a majority in the 577-member assembly.

While putting Rocard to his stiffest challenge in morel than two years in office, the vote could have positive results for him by affirming his ability to push through his policy despite political pressure. Le Monde said Rocard hoped to use the ballot as a vote of confidence.

If voted down, Rocard would be the first prime minister since Georges Pompidou in 1962 to be toppled by a no-confidence vote. Pompidou at that point was reappointed by President Charles de Gaulle to form another government.

Rocard's Socialist governmnent, which has on occasion drawn help from communist, centrist and independent deputies, survived eight previous no-confidence votes. But in each of the previous attempts, the communist deputies did not join the conservative opposition.

At issue in Monday's vote was a proposed new social security tax. The Rocard plan would create a 1.1 percent payroll tax to bail out the French social security system, which includes family allocations, health care and retirement funds.

The measure would raise about $7.5 billion for social security, but labor organizations, which largely support the Communist Party, have vociferously opposed the plan on grounds it would create a new category of tax without resolving the problems of social security.

Raymond Barre, a conservative former prime minister who is influential with the independents, said during the debate he decided to vote against the government.

Referring to the new tax plan, Barre said, ''I cannot to my great regret support a measure that I approve of in principle,'' adding that Rocard did not provide ''clarifications and details that partisans of this measure expected.''

Barre said he did not see how the government would ''keep a lid on health care expenses and put order in the retirement system.''

Moreover, Barre said recent events ''raised doubts about the capacity of the government to resist pressures to increase spending.''

Barre's statement alluded to last week's demonstrations by more than 100,000 high school students in the French capital, after which the government announced a plan to allocate $900 million more for education.

Rocard said the government would ''pursue the work it has undertaken, and pursue it with stubbornness.''

Bernard Pons, a deputy from the Gaullist Rally for the Republic party, called the proposed tax ''unjust, improper and unpopular, in the image of the government.''

Pons said the government is ''running out of breath, with its socialism tangled in its contradictions and methods of government.''

Sociality Party General Secretary Pierre Mauroy, addressing the communist deputies, said they would be opening themselves up to an ''immense misunderstanding'' by voting with the right wing.

Mauroy said the communists were ''running to the help of the proponents of

rampant liberalism against which he have battled together for so many years.''

Mauroy also cautioned that the fall of the government could send the wrong message at a time when French troops are deployed in the Middle East.

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BROMONT, QUEBEC (NOV. 19) UPI - Hyundai Motor Co.'s Canadian division Monday officially opened a $102 million press shop at its Bromont manufacturing plant.

The press shop will allow Hyundai Auto Canada Inc. to make various body panels and metal components including fuel tanks, door panels, floor and roof pieces, for assembly on Sonata sedans.

The Korean automaker said the new operation is expected to bring in orders worth about $12 million a year for about 16,500 tons of sheet metal from suppliers in Canada and the United States.

Y.I. Lee, president of Hyundai Canada, said the auto maker "has experienced a success in North America, and around the world, that has compelled us to expand our manufacturing facilities."

The press shop completes a five-year construction plan costing more than $380 million, at Bromont. The plant is about 50 miles southeast of Montreal, north of the Quebec-Vermont border. Sheet metal will come from four suppliers, Dofasco Inc. and Stelco Inc. in Canada and Armco and U.S. Steel in the United States.

The Bromont plant is a fully integrated facility incorporating a body shop, a paint shop, final trim and assembly shop and a test track. At full capacity the plant is projected to produce 100,000 Sonata cars a year. Hyundai Canada said it expects to produce 29,000 units in 1990, 51,000 in 1991 and 70,000 in 1992.

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GENEVA (NOV. 19) UPI - Despite an inability to establish an overall agreement, the Uruguay Round of world trade liberalization talks will formally end as scheduled at a meeting of ministers Dec. 3-7, GATT Director General Arthur Dunkel said Monday. As the world's only trading framework, the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade has headed the negotiations which began in 1986.

Dunkel said the originally scheduled Dec. 3-7 concluding meeting in Brussels of trade ministers from the 105 participating nations would proceed as planned although a complete package agreement has proved elusive. He said ministers should make the political decisions required to "tie up the loose ends" as

quickly as possible after their session.

Called the Uruguay Round because they were formally launched in the Uruguayan resort of Punta del Este, the negotiations were aimed at an average 33 percent cut in 15 areas of world trade - currently worth $3 trillion a year. For the first time in GATT talks, the negotiations covered the sectors of agriculture and services such as banking and insurance.

Dunkel said a "final protocol" to the ministers from the negotiators in Geneva would comprise three categories - sectors on which there was an agreed text, sectors on which there was text but with brackets indicating discussion was forthcoming, and sectors "on which there is no basis for negotiation."

He refused details but the United States and other major farm exporting countries have rejected an overall package unless the European Community agrees to sharply cut its system of farm export subsidies.

Other nations have criticized the United States for initially demanding the inclusion of services industries in the Uruguay Round, and then demanding the exclusion - after domestic pressures - of opening the U.S. market to foreign banking, insurance, transport, and communications competition.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) UPI - Yields rose on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Monday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $10.00 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 7.08 percent, up from 7.05 percent last week and the highest since Oct. 29, when the auction yielded 7.12 percent.

The Treasury also sold $10.04 billion of 26-week bills at an average of 7.05 percent, up from 7.02 percent last week and the highest since Oct. 29, when the yield stood at 7.13 percent.

The investment rate was 7.31 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,823.00 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26-week bill was 7.41 percent at $9,645.50.

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EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 19) UPI - U.S. Marines carried out a successful simulated armored attack against mock Iraqi forces in the Saudi desert Monday but rough seas forced the cancellation of an important sea leg of the Imminent Thunder exercise.

For the second day, military officials canceled the launching of speedy hovercraft vessels, Landing Craft Air Cushions, that are used to quickly ferry supplies ashore to attacking Marines.

The hovercraft are an important compenent of any amphibious assault during an ''over-the-horizon'' attack, a tactic military officials say allows the launching of a speedy attack out of sight from shore.

Officials Sunday postponed the hovercraft landings and cited safety Monday in scrapping that portion of the exercise.

''You know, if it's real world or an operation you execute it,'' said Marine Maj. Patrick Sivigny, explaining why the Landing Craft Air Cushion vessels were held back a second day and would sit out the rest of the operation.

''But, when it's an exercise - whether it's here, back home in the states, if it's out on sea, shore or land - safety is always a primary consideration and that's what dictates whether or not you postpone any part of an exercise.''

While the hovercraft portion of the exercise was scrubbed, Marine commanders from the 3rd Light Armored Infantry were sending eight- wheeled armored reconnaissance vehicles known as LAV-25s into the barren desert to serve as mock Iraqi tanks.

Each of the reconnaissance vehicles represented 10 Iraqi tanks and the purpose was to detect invading scout cars and muster a credible defense against them.

Officials said one of the reconnaissance vehicles did succeed in briefly getting past the range of fire of the mock defenses by accelerating quickly after first traveling at a leisurely pace for several miles.

Despite the one slip, Marine officers were satisfied that had the invading scout cars actually been Iraqi tanks they would have been spotted and destroyed.

The exercise also gave officers a chance to see how the scout vehicles, some with colorful names like ''Little Miss Dangerous'' and ''Bad Company,'' performed in the desert environment.

In a war scenario, the LAV-25s would be used primarily for probing enemy positions for strengths and weaknesses before speeding back and reporting to higher headquarters.

While combined U.S. and Saudi forces continued their mock battles Monday, medical personnel also trained in simulated exercise.

A mass casualty drill involved stretcher-bearers carrying mock casualties to two CH-46 Sea Knight helicopters, which lifted them to a Surgical Support

field hospitals.

At least 80 casualties were simulated at five field hospital. However, in a war situation, operating rooms would be filled within 15 minutes and medical personnel would have less than 30 seconds to decide where to send the injured.

''We're going to be overwhelmed,'' Lt. Cmdr. Chris Kain, an orthopedic surgeon said of the burdens real battle would place on doctors and nurses.

''We're talking about massive injuries. None of us has ever encountered this tremendous volume.''

Nonetheless, the Bremerton, Wash., surgeon remained philosophical about the grim realities brought home in the mock casualty drill.

''Are we scared? Absolutely. Can we handle it? Yes,'' Kain said.

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FORT WORTH, TX (NOV. 19) UPI - Union workers at General Dynamics Corp.'s local plant have approved a new, three-year contract that boosts pay 5.5 percent this year.

Members of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers District 776 approved the agreement 5,834 to 1,013 on Sunday. The pact is virtually the same one rejected a week ago.

Pat Lane, union district president, changed his stance and recommended that the members representing 10,000 workers at the aircraft plant approve the proposal. "I recommended it because I felt it was the best contract we could get at this time," he said.

The new pact gives workers a 5.5 percent pay increase this year, followed by three percent raises each of the next two years. The company did increase its offer for a one-time bonus by $100 to $1,100. The average worker at General Dynamics makes about $27,747 annually.

Lane said he supported the contract to avoid a protracted strike with the giant St. Louis-based defense contractor. "I think our membership realizes the company did everything it's going to do without a long dispute," he said.

General Dynamics has watched orders for its F-16 Fighting Falcon decline. The company has already laid off more tha 1,200 hourly workers at the plant and has announced plans to cut as many as 1,000 salaried employees in January.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 19) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	79.15	79.40	79.07	79.32	79.05
Feb	76.25	76.50	76.15	76.30	76.22
Apr	76.30	76.75	76.25	76.57	76.27
Jun	73.75	74.30	73.75	74.17	73.82
Aug	72.25	72.85	72.25	72.52	72.20
Oct	72.47	72.85	72.47	72.70	72.32
Dec	73.00	73.20	73.00	73.10	73.00

Est. sales 12,015 contracts; Friday 7,778; open interest 70,378 up 827.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	87.60	87.95	87.60	87.80	87.70
Mar	85.10	85.65	85.10	85.50	85.10
Apr	84.02	84.50	84.02	84.45	84.10
May	83.25	83.52	83.20	83.47	83.25
Aug	82.40	82.65	82.40	82.50	82.25
Sep	81.80	81.85	81.75	81.85	81.55
Oct	....	81.40	81.40	81.40	81.20

Est. sales 1,029 contracts; Friday 784; open interest 9,606 up 11.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	53.60	53.82	53.20	53.60	53.70
Feb	52.50	52.85	52.00	52.37	52.42
Apr	49.47	49.90	49.30	49.40	49.40
Jun	53.40	53.75	53.20	53.35	53.35
Jly	53.50	53.65	53.50	53.62	53.40
Aug	51.50	51.65	51.45	51.50	51.62
Oct	46.00	46.60	46.00	46.35	45.95
Dec	45.70	45.70	45.60	45.60	45.55

Est. sales 9,357 contracts; Friday 9,663; open interest 29,653 up 1,408.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	72.55	73.75	72.50	72.20	72.12
Mar	72.00	73.45	71.30	72.00	71.45
May	71.60	73.12	71.15	72.55	71.12
Jly	71.00	72.80	70.70	71.70	70.80
Aug	68.90	70.05	68.00	68.90	68.05

Est. sales 7,730 contracts; Friday 6,170; open interest 12,569 up 73.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Monday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 128.90 up 21 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 128.95 down 13 cents; select 1-3 550- 700 lbs. 119.53 down 30 cents, 700-850 lbs. 119.36 down

22 cents.

Pork carlot trading moderate; demand moderate; fresh pork loins mostly 3.00-3.25 lower; Boston butts .50 higher; skinned hams partly lower; seedless bellies firm to 1.00 higher; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 96.75-105.00; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 82.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 91.00-100.00, 20-26 lbs. 78.00-82.00, 32 lbs.and up 74.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 59.50, 12-14 lbs. 62.00-63.00, 16-18 lbs.60.25-60.75, 20-25 lbs. 50.50.

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#90323u1504 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

BEVERLY HILLS, CA (NOV. 19) UPI - Insolvent Columbia Savings and Loan Association, dragged down by huge declines in the value of its junk-bond portfolio, has conceded it will probably be seized by regulators, a Securities and Exchange Commission filing disclosed Monday.

Many analysts believe regulators would have taken over Columbia some time ago but such a move has been delayed as the thrift tries to sell the junk bonds, with as many as eight possible buyers having made bids.

Columbia has seen the value of its junk bonds plummet from $4 billion to $2.5 billion over the past year. It had a negative net worth, or shareholders' deficit, of $709 million as of Sept. 30, off sharply from $352 million as of June 30.

"Because of the present magnitude of the Association's stockholders' deficit, it is extremely likely that the Association will be placed in a conservatorship or receivership by the Office of Thrift Supervision," Columbia said in the filing.

"Whether the high-yield portfolio is sold in a single transaction or retained and liquidated by the Association, it is highly unlikely that the Association will be able to return to a solvent financial condition or achieve compliance with any applicable capital standard for the foreseeable future because of the present magnitude of the Association's stockholders' deficit," the thrift also said.

Analysts have estimated that the cost of bailing out Columbia will probably run between $500 million and $1.5 billion. It lost $591.1 million last year and has lost $781.8 million in the first nine months of this year.

Columbia amassed the portfolio largely through purchases from ex-junk bond king Michael Milken of now-bankrupt Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. The thrift made a $4.5 billion claim last week against Drexel's assets, seeking triple damages for its $1.5 billion loss on the value of the junk bonds.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. made a $6.8 billion claim against Drexel

last week, alleging that it had looted more than 40 thrifts in various deals, with Columbia sustaining the biggest losses.

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#90323u1507 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) UPI - Dennis DeConcini, the last of the so-called Keating Five senators to address the Senate ethics committee, demanded Monday to be cleared of influence-peddling accusations he said were supported by ''lies and allegations and hearsay.''

In an impassioned, two-hour personal defense, DeConcini, D-Ariz., said his actions relating to indicted savings and loan owner Charles Keating Jr. were legitimate constituent service involving an important home state businessman.

The six-member committee is examining whether DeConcini and four other senators - Alan Cranston, D-Calif., John Glenn, D-Ohio, John McCain, R-Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich. - improperly pressured bank regulators on behalf of Keating, who donated $1.3 million to the senators' re-election campaigns and other favorite causes.

Special counsel Robert Bennett last week described DeConcini and Cranston as ''by far the most active on Mr. Keating's behalf'' of the five accused senators, hinting that political contributions bought their influence.

But DeConcini, saying his personal reputation is ''in a freefall,'' lashed out at Bennett for concocting ''some sinister plot'' using ''disgraceful'' and ''unconscionable'' tactics that are ''enough to make me gag.''

He objected to ''the lies and allegations and hearsay without any foundation that Mr. Bennett goes out and gets people to give.'' DeConcini also charged that Bennett had overstepped his authority as an impartial fact-finding lawyer working on behalf of a committee, and had become a criminal prosecutor.

DeConcini, addressing the six members of the committee that has not leveled charges against the senators, forcefully demanded exoneration.

''You'll be criticized for an in-house deal, the good-old-boys club,'' he told the panel. '' I understand how difficult it is. But to do other than to dismiss the charges against me is unjust.

''I broke no law,'' he said, ''I broke no rule. I broke no standard. I committed no improper conduct.''

Pointing at Bennett and raising his voice, DeConcini added, ''I resent that man ... tying this senator to bribery, to a 'crook,' to the bond holders and the elderly who lost money when Keating's Lincoln Savings and Loan failed in 1989.''

DeConcini painted Keating and his Arizona-based American Continental Corp., the parent company of Lincoln, as important to his home state. He said American Continental had 2,000 employees in Arizona, a $49 million payroll, $1 billion invested in the state and was the state's leading home-builder through much of the 1980s.

Lincoln's collapse, pegged to cost taxpayers $2 billion, was the largest in the nation's savings and loan scandal.

DeConcini, who received $81,000 in contributions from Keating, said Keating was not always reviled as an S&L kingpin, pointing out that Keating was known for his contributions to charitable causes. DeConcini noted a conversation he said he had with Nobel Peace Prize recipient Mother Teresa.

''In 1986 in this city, when I was introduced to (Mother Teresa) and told her what state I came from, the first thing she said was, 'How is my friend Charles Keating?''' DeConcini told the committee.

DeConcini also blasted federal bank regulators whose statements have contributed to Bennett's case against the Keating Five. DeConcini said the regulators were seeking a scapegoat at the same time ''the savings and loan crisis was coming down on their heads.''

During a point-by-point rebuttal of Bennett's claims, DeConcini also openly disputed statements made by McCain, the other Arizona senator. DeConcini hinted that Bennett may be giving McCain, the lone GOP senator in the Keating Five, preferential treatment.

Keating faces civil racketeering charges in California under a criminal fraud indictment stemming from the Lincoln collapse.

The ethics committee is empowered to recommend disciplinary action against the senators as severe as explusion.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 19) UPI - Soybeans, corn and wheat closed higher Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade but oats were mainly lower.

Soybeans made gains on speculation of the potential of exports to the USSR. Traders said President Bush's European visit could result in a USSR food-aid package. Professional selling trimmed gains as did losses in soyoil.

Corn trading generally was quiet with short covering adding support and some followthrough buying. But strong cash fundamentals and producer selling brought a round of gains at the close.

Trading in wheat also was generally quiet with commission house demand and short-covering helping prices.

Forecasters said wetter weather is expected in central growing areas about midweek.

At the Gulf, corn bids were firm while beans were steady to weak.

At the close, corn was up 1 3/4 to up 2 3/4, wheat was up 1 1/2 to 2 1/2, soybeans were off 1/2 to up 2 1/4 and oats were off 3/4 to up 1/2.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 19 to 22 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.98	10.00	9.75	9.85	10.07
May	9.95	9.96	9.79	9.83	10.02
Jly	9.94	9.95	9.75	9.84	10.03
Oct	9.94	9.95	9.75	9.83	10.02
Mar	9.85	....	....	9.86	10.02

Estimated sales: 16,547 contracts
Open interest: 108,987 up 111
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.86

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 7 points higher to 5 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.19	23.19	23.18	23.18	23.19
Mar	23.16	23.16	23.15	23.15	23.18
May	23.21	23.21	23.21	23.21	23.22
Jly	23.21	23.22	23.21	23.21	23.22
Sep	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.20
Nov	23.05	23.05	23.01	23.03	22.96
Jan	....	....	....	23.01	23.05

Estimated sales: 322 contracts
Open interest: 11,764 off 102

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) UPI - Michael Boskin, chairman of President Bush's

Council of Economic Advisers, Monday maintained the administration's position that the U.S. economy has yet to enter a recession.

Boskin, in remarks after a speech to the National Press Club, repeated his description of the economy as being in a "lull" rather than an outright recession. A recession is generally defined as two consecutive quarters of negative economic growth.

"The economy certainly has slowed. It's been growing sluggishly for seven quarters and we now have the oil shock on top of that," Boskin said. He said the U.S. gross national product "is going to take a hit" in the fourth quarter because of rising oil prices and the tension in the Middle East.

"I think it is too early to tell if the United States will have a negative fourth quarter," he said. "I am not prepared to say the economy did or did not go into a recession in the fourth quarter."

Last week, Bush conceded he is concerned that the economy is in a downturn following a series of meetings with advisers and business leaders. Bush, in an interview with Cable News Network, said that should the economy slip into a recession, "it will not be deep and we will come out of it relatively soon - six months at most."

Several private economists have already declared the economy is in a recession a conclusion that seems to fluctuate with each release of a major government economic report.

"Regardless of what you call it, we are in a lull," Boskin said. He said the economy faces a "substantial risk" of further weakening unless oil prices come down.

"I think the basic analysis is that when you have a $10 per barrel increase for a couple of quarters that would destabilize GNP," Boskin said. "We have a great deal of uncertainty about where oil prices will be and when they will come down. "As an economic forecast, I do expect oil prices to come down considerably next year."

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#90323u1525 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (NOV. 19) UPI - Representatives of three Baltic republics seeking independence from the Soviet Union were refused admission Monday to the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, and one accused the French hosts of bowing to pressure from Moscow.

Foreign ministers from Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia, all republics of the Soviet Union, had previously received assurances from French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas that they could attend the conference as observers.

But a statement from the Free Latvian Federation said the three ministers were notified that Dumas ''withdrew the invitation that he had addressed to them as honored guests of France'' because the Soviet Union would be representing their nations.

The statement described the action as an ''expulsion'' from the conference.

A French government official said all decisions on representation must be decided by consensus among the members and that the Soviet Union objected to their participation.

On Sunday, Endel Lippmaa, an aide to Estonian Foreign Minister Lennart Meri, said the Baltic states would take part in the conference as France's ''guests '' saying that Paris had created a ''separate status'' for them.

A senior U.S. negotiator had said that the Bush administration would like to see the three Baltic republics become full members of the CSCE.

The three Baltic foreign ministers met Sunday with Secretary of State James Baker in Paris, and Baker reaffirmed at the start of their talks that ''the United States has been one of the first countries to support the Baltic request to have observer status at the CSCE.''

Meri said the status of the troubled Baltic Republics ''remains the only European problem that has not been resolved.''

In an effort to force Soviet troops out of Latvia, the republic's Parliament decided last week to cut power and heat to Moscow's troops there. Lt. Gen. Oleg Zinchenko, head of the political command of the Baltic Military District, warned Sunday that the army would seize power and heating stations if the threat were carried out, according to the Moscow daily Komsomolskaya Pravda.

And in neighboring Lithuania, soldiers in Vilnius, the capital, used water cannons Saturday and fired warning shots to disperse demonstrators near the Lithuanian capital's military garrison, the official Tass news agency said.

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#90323u1526 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Gold futures closed Monday 90 to 250 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	381.40	....	....	381.40	378.90
Dec	378.20	384.00	377.30	382.30	379.80
Jan	381.70	....	....	384.20	381.70

Feb	382.00	387.30	380.70	385.60	383.20
Apr	384.00	390.50	383.80	388.90	386.60
Jun	387.50	392.50	387.50	392.50	390.30
Aug	397.00	397.00	395.80	395.80	393.70
Oct	399.20	....	....	399.20	397.30
Dec	398.50	402.70	398.50	402.70	401.00
Feb	406.60	....	....	406.60	405.10
Apr	410.30	....	....	410.30	409.00
Jun	414.30	....	....	414.30	413.20
Aug	418.60	....	....	418.60	417.70

Open interest: 110,970 off 224.
Estimated sales: 18,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	376.50	off 2.75
Morning fixing	377.60	up 1.10
Afternoon fixing	377.80	up 1.30
Close	379.75	up 3.25
Paris was unavailable		
Zurich	379.00	up 1.50
Hong Kong	377.05	off 2.70
New York		
Comex spot close	381.40	up 2.50
Republic cash	381.75	up 2.25
Handy and Harman	377.80	up 1.50

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 379.09 up 1.50 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 398.04 up 1.57 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.14	off 0.01
Republic cash	4.145	off 0.015

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.16 per fine ounce up 0.05

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.175 up 0.055 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.467 up 0.059

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 420.00 off 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 520.00 off 2.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 94.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 109.00 up 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) UPI - The Corcoran Gallery of Art, rocked by controversy over homoerotic art and censorship, Monday named art historian David C. Levy as its president and director effective Jan. 1.

Levy, 52, succeeds Christina Orr-Cahall, who resigned earlier this year after an uproar involving a Robert Mapplethorpe exhibit of photographs, which was canceled following pressure from members of Congress and conservative activists.

At the same time, trying to put the Mapplethorpe controversy behind it, the Corcoran issued a statement affirming artistic freedom.

The statement said Corcoran ''is committed to the preservation and enhancement of freedom of speech, thought, inquiry and artistic expression through its exhibition and educational activities as well as its programs of outreach into the local, national and world communities.''

''An institution whose mission is the enrichment of cultural and intellectual life is compromised without unhindered exchanges of ideas, however unpopular, and without the assurance that both presentation and confrontation of ideas takes place freely,'' the Corcoran said.

''This does not limit, and in fact assumes, the right of those with differing points of view to be heard and represented in a manner appropriate to the time-honored traditions of intellectual, artistic and academic freedom,'' it said.

Levy, an expert on medieval and renaissance painters, is also a photographer and jazz saxophone player in painter Larry Rivers's band. He comes to the Corcoran from the New School of Social Research in New York, where he is chancellor for the arts.

Levy, a native New Yorker, joined Parsons School of Design in 1961. In 1970, he initiated the merger between Parsons and the New School and, for 19 years, he guided the institution as Parson's chief administrative officer.

Upon his appointment, Levy said he is confident that ''as partners we can and will strengthen the Corcoran's distinguished tradition as both a symbol and example of the vitality of our national artistic heritage.''

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#90323u1596 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (NOV. 19) UPI - A group of American veterans of the Vietnam War is building a clinic in a village pounded by American warplanes in the ''Christmas bombings'' of 1972, the official Vietnam News Agency said.

''American Vietnam veterans are helping the Vietnamese people heal war wounds by building clinics for them,'' said the news agency in a dispatch dated Sunday.

The agency said nine American veterans were working with Vietnamese villagers to build the 10-room clinic at Yen Vien, 6 miles east of Hanoi.

It said the village ''was razed by U.S. carpet bombing in late December 1972'' when then president Richard Nixon ordered expanded bombing in an effort to force North Vietnam to sign a peace agreement.

The construction costs of more than $30,000 are being provided by the Veterans Vietnam Restoration Project and medical facilities and medicines will be provided by the North Country Clinic of Arcata, Calif., the agency said.

It said the Yen Vien Clinic is the third clinic built in Vietnam by the veterans' group.

John Burns, 43, from Hawaii, said he came back to Vietnam where he served from 1967-1969 for two reasons.

''One was to find some peace of mind. The other was to have an opportunity to come back to learn the truth about Vietnam,'' the agency quoted him as saying.

''We learned nothing about Vietnam before, except what our government told us '' he said. ''It didn't take long to figure out, to feel that something was very wrong with what was going on.''

The agency quoted other members of the group as calling on the U.S. government to end its economic embargo against Vietnam and establish formal diplomatic relations with the Communist government.

''The government would like us to think that there's an enemy somewhere out here. But it's not true,'' said Art James, a 40-year-old former infantryman from Maryland.

''Your forgiveness is what touches my heart,'' he was quoted as saying.

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#90323u1614 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Lower- and middle-income consumers are losing money at big commercial banks that are charging higher fees and paying lower interest rates to make up for failed investments, according to a survey released Monday.

"Ranking Banking: The 1990 Consumer Bank Scorecard," released jointly by city Consumer Affairs Commissioner Mark Green and State Sen. Franz Leichter, D-Manhattan, computed the "consumer quotient" of 49 city banks.

The quotient was figured by examining bank fees and interest earnings for checking, savings, NOW, Super-NOW and money market accounts and for basic services such as money orders and stop payments.

At a news conference outside Amalgamated Bank - one of the three top-rated institutions - on 54th Street and Broadway, Green and Leichter urged New Yorkers to shop around and find higher-rated banks to handle their accounts. Said Green, "If consumers use our scorecard to find the right bank for them, they could save a couple of hundred bucks a year."

Ridgewood Savings and Greater New York Savings also finished in the top three, while the three most expensive banks were found to be Bank Leumi, Dime Savings and Citibank. "For wealthy customers, big may be better," Green said. "But for average consumers, we found that smaller is beautiful."

Leichter blamed bad real estate loans made by bigger commercial banks for pushing up consumer fees faster than the rate of inflation. "The big banks are trying to profiteer from consumer banking to make up for their billion dollar losses from unwise foreign loans and real estate speculation," Leichter said.

The survey found that savings banks generally had lower interest fees and higher interest rates on demand-deposit accounts than big "money center" commercial banks, all of which ranked in the lower third of the survey.

Leichter, who has issued bank scorecards for seven consecutive years, said, "I am sure many consumers have over the years saved hundreds of dollars because of the scorecard."

Green added that during the research for the survey, his investigators came across numerous bank advertisements that violated the spirit - if not the letter - of the city's Consumer Protection Law. The Consumer Affairs department will issue a report on those findings next month, Green said.

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MIAMI (NOV. 19) UPI - Mervyn's department store chain said Monday it plans to open 12 stores in Florida in 1991, including five that will replace existing

Lord & Taylor stores to be bought from May Department Stores Co.

Mervyn's of Hayward, Calif., a subsidiary of Dayton Hudson Corp. of Minneapolis specializing in moderately priced fashions and home goods, said it expects to hire about 2,000 people as part of the expansion. Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

Mervyn's said it agreed to buy Lord & Taylor stores in Dade County, Coral Springs, Boynton Beach and Jensen Beach. The company said it expects to close the stores in January and re-open them as Mervyn's locations in July. Mervyn's bought and converted two Lord & Taylor stores in Houston in 1989.

Lord & Taylor operates six other stores in south Florida - two each in Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach counties. Those stores are not for sale, spokeswoman Jann Walker said.

Walker could not say how many people Lord & Taylor employs at the five stores it plans to sell. However, a spokeswoman for Mervyn's said the company is under no obligation to rehire the Lord & Taylor employees.

Mervyn's spokeswoman Sandra Salyer said the company plans to open seven other stores next year in Florida. To accomplish that, Mervyn's plans to build some stores and buy others, she said.

Salyer declined to say whether the company plans to buy other Lord & Taylor stores in Florida. Locations will be announced later, she said.

Mervyn's operates 227 stores in 15 states, but only one store in Florida, in Lakeland. The company sells casual apparel and home fashions at prices that are generally lower than other department stores, Salyer said.

"We have been looking at real estate in Florida for a number of years, and have just had difficulty in coming up with the right real estate locations," she said. "We've wanted to be in Florida for a long time."

The company also operates stores in Georgia and Louisiana.

Salyer said the expansion makes sense for Mervyn's despite the current economic downturn and falling consumer confidence because of the company's niche as a discount retailer, and because of the size of the expansion.

"It is clearly going to be much more cost efficient and we are going to be much better able to serve our customers both from a distribution and advertising standpoint with a greater number of stores," she said.

Also Monday, Lord & Taylor's announced plans to reduce the size of its store at the Galleria in Fort Lauderdale.

Other stores to be retained by Lord & Taylor's are located at the Aventura and Dadeland malls in Dade County, the Palm Beach Mall in West Palm Beach, Boca Town Center in Boca Raton, and the Fashion Mall in Plantation.

Stores to be sold are located at the Cutler Ridge and International malls in Dade County, Boynton Beach Mall, Coral Springs Shopping Center, and Treasure Coast Square in Jensen Beach.

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#90323u1628 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 19) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $11 to $24 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 2.40 cents to 3.10 cents a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.20 cent higher to 1.55 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.09 cent higher to 0.08 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.90 to $2.50 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $4.10 an ounce lower across the board for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.90 cent to 1.20 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 0.9 to 1.1 cent an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.016 to 0.022 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90323u1631 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 19) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in light trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Higher in thin trading.

London Stocks - Closed broadly higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Mixed.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1 3/4 to up 2 3/4, wheat was up 1 1/2 to 2 1/2, soybeans were off 1/2 to up 2 1/4 and oats were off 3/4 to up 1/2.

Cattle Trade - $1.00 to $1.50 higher; top $81.50.

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#90323u1632 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (NOV. 19) UPI - An appeals court panel Monday ordered the head of the Vichy government's police in occupied France to stand trial for ''crimes against humanity,'' including roundup and deporting Jews during World War II.

Rene Bousquet, 81, who headed the police from April 18, 1942, to Dec. 31, 1943 would be tried under the same procedure used for Gestapo chief Klaus Barbie, who was sentenced to life imprisonment in Lyon in 1987.

The panel in Paris headed by Judge Albert Moatty rejected a recommendation from the state prosecutor's office that the case be heard by a special post-war tribunal on crimes during the Occupation, known as the Haute Cour, or high court.

Civil plaintiffs in the case, headed by famed Nazi hunter Serge Klarsfeld, argued that the Haute Cour, which included high-ranking parliamentarians from the period, would be difficult to reconsitute and would make a trial unlikely because of Bousquet's age and poor health.

In 1949, the Haute Cour sentenced Bousquet to five years of ''national indignity'' that deprived him of the right to vote or be elected to public office.

Klarsfeld and organizations of former deportees argue that new evidence indicates Bousquet's close involvement in raids and deportation of Jews during the Nazi Occupation in France. They blamed Bouquet for the deportation of at least 8,000 Jewish children under 13, even though the deportation of young children was not requested by the Germans.

Bousquet is the first high-ranking official of the Vichy government to be

formally accused of war crimes since the immediate post-war period.

Klarsfeld and others have accused France's successive governments of trying to protect high-ranking officials as part of an effort to heal the rift in French society and to allow former ''collaborators'' to resume their role in politics and government.

The trial is expected to begin early next year.

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#90323u1649 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 19) UPI - Monday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.32 3/4-2.42 3/4 up 2 1/2.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.66 3/4- 5.72 3/4 up 2 1/2-1 1/2.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.15 1/2-2.28 1/2 up 2 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.33 1/2-2.36 1/2 up 2 1/2-3.

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#90323u1673 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 19) UPI - A prominent banker was kidnapped at gunpoint Friday morning but escaped about two hours later unharmed.

John Grundhofer, chief executive officer of First Bank System Inc., was abducted by an unidentifed man about 8:30 a.m. as he pulled his Mercedes into a downtown Minneapolis parking ramp.

About one-half hour after the abduction, Grundhofer, with the kidnapper allegedly holding a gun to his head, called in a ransom demand on the telephone in his car.

The FBI would not say how much the kidnapper demanded.

''He was taken directly over to Wisconsin,'' said FBI agent Jeff Jamar. ''There, he was left by the abductor in a position where he could escape. He was able to escape and went to a nearby farmhouse.''

Grundhofer called authorities from the farmhouse.

Authorities were vague about the details of the kidnap, but they said the kidnapper, who also was armed with a knife, threatened to harm the banker if

he tried to escape. He then drove away in Grundhofer's car.

Grundhofer, 51, appeared with Jamar at a noon news conference at First Bank headquarters.

''First of all, I'm OK,'' he said. ''I have no idea why this took place this morning. Right now, I've got a bank to run. That's what I intend to do.

''I'm not going to comment further on details except to say thank you for all the concern expressed to me and my family.''

Jamar said authorities were looking for Grunhofer's dark gray, four- door 1990 Mercedes.

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#90323u1677 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 19) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

Wheat - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	2.52	2.53 1/2	2.51 1/4	2.52 3/4	2.50 1/4
Mar	2.67 1/2	2.68 3/4	2.67	2.68	2.66 1/4
May	2.77 1/2	2.77 1/2	2.75 3/4	2.77	2.75
Jul	2.83 1/2	2.84	2.82	2.83 1/2	2.82
Sep	2.89	2.89	2.88 1/4	2.88 1/2	2.86 3/4
Dec	2.99 1/2	3.00	2.98 1/2	3.00	2.98 1/2

Friday sales 53,050 bushels; Friday Open interest: 74,144 off 75,694

Corn - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	2.25 1/2	2.28	2.25 1/2	2.27 1/2	2.25
Mar	2.35	2.38	2.35	2.37 3/4	2.35
May	2.42 3/4	2.45 1/2	2.42 3/4	2.45	2.42 1/2
Jul	2.49	2.51 3/4	2.48 3/4	2.51 1/4	2.48 1/2
Sep	2.49 1/2	2.51 1/2	2.49 1/2	2.50 1/2	2.48 3/4
Dec	2.49 3/4	2.52 1/4	2.49 3/4	2.51 3/4	2.49 3/4
Mar	2.56 1/2	2.58 3/4	2.56 1/2	2.58 3/4	2.56 1/2

Friday sales 237,190 bushels; Friday Open interest: 55,414 off 147,586

Oats - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	1.11 3/4	1.13	1.10 1/4	1.11 1/2	1.11 3/4
Mar	1.23	1.24 1/4	1.21 1/2	1.22 3/4	1.23
May	1.29 1/4	1.30 1/4	1.28	1.28 3/4	1.29 1/4
Jul	1.35	1.35	1.34 1/4	1.34 1/2	1.35 1/4
Sep	1.40 1/2	1.40 1/2	1.40 1/2	1.40 1/2	1.41

Dec	1.49	1.49	1.49	1.49	1.48 1/2

Friday sales 3,610 bushels; Friday Open interest: 32,790 off 44,525

Soybeans - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	5.70	5.70 1/2	5.65 1/2	5.69	5.66 3/4
Jan	5.81	5.82	5.76 1/4	5.79 3/4	5.78 1/4
Mar	5.94 1/2	5.96	5.90 1/2	5.94	5.92 1/4
May	6.08 1/2	6.10	6.04 1/2	6.07 1/2	6.06
Jul	6.20	6.21 1/2	6.16 1/4	6.19 3/4	6.17 3/4
Aug	6.22 3/4	6.23 1/2	6.19	6.22 1/2	6.20 3/4
Sep	6.12 1/2	6.13 1/2	6.11	6.12 1/2	6.13
Nov	6.12 1/2	6.12 1/2	6.09 1/2	6.10 3/4	6.11 1/4
Jan	6.22	6.22	6.22	6.22	6.22

Friday sales 61,380 bushels; Friday Open interest: 61,208 off 106,115

Soybean Oil - 60,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	20.50	20.50	20.13	20.14	20.44
Jan	20.79	20.79	20.39	20.41	20.74
Mar	21.18	21.22	20.83	20.84	21.16
May	21.58	21.60	21.25	21.26	21.55
Jul	21.75	21.77	21.56	21.56	21.85
Aug	21.70	21.80	21.70	21.55	21.85
Sep	21.70	21.80	21.60	21.65	21.90
Oct	21.70	21.70	21.60	21.65	21.85
Dec	21.70	21.75	21.60	21.60	21.85
Jan	21.60	21.61	....	21.60	21.77

Friday sales 6,524 contracts; Friday Open interest: 34,496 off 53,512

Soybean Meal - 100 tons; $ per ton

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	174.80	176.00	173.30	174.90	173.70
Jan	177.00	178.20	175.70	177.40	175.90
Mar	181.00	182.10	179.80	181.30	179.90
May	183.30	184.40	182.10	183.80	182.40
Jul	186.00	187.20	185.30	186.60	185.40
Aug	187.00	187.30	186.50	188.00	186.50
Sep	186.50	186.50	185.50	186.00	186.00
Oct	184.00	184.00	184.00	184.00	183.70
Dec	185.50	185.50	185.50	186.00	185.50
Jan	184.00	185.00	....	184.50	185.00

Friday sales 15,115 contracts; Friday Open interest: 49,373 off 26,327

Open interest is reported by the CBOT in thousands of bushels.

#90323u1682 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
HOLLYWOOD (NOV. 19) UPI - Twentieth Century Fox's vacation-comedy "Home Alone" set a box-office record over the weekend for a fall season movie with an impressive $17.1 million take at the box office, the studio said Monday.

"The movie just exploded in terms of its popularity," said Thomas Sherak, Fox's executive vice president. "Our surveys showed 51 percent of the people leaving the theaters rated the movie 'excellent' and 74 percent said they would recommend it."

The film average $14,211 per screen and was shown at 1,202 theaters. Fox will add more screens this Wednesday, but Sherak could not say how many, then add about 400 screens on Dec. 14.

The three-day domestic gross surpassed the previous high for a movie released in the period between the end of summer and Thanksgiving weekend, set in October 1989 when Columbia's "Look Who's Talking" grossed $12.1 million.

The success of "Home Alone" is the latest for producer-writer John Hughes, whose credits include "Christmas Vacation," "Planes, Trains and Automobiles," "Uncle Buck," "Sixteen Candles" and "Pretty in Pink."

MGM-UA's "Rocky V" also debuted strongly, with a $14.1 million opening at 2,053 screens.

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#90323u1688 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (NOV. 19) UPI - Tainted Canadian track star Ben Johnson said Monday he is happy he got caught using steroids during the 1988 Seoul Olympics and expressed confidence that he can stay with longtime rival Carl Lewis in a race sometime next year.

''A lot of people are saying I can't make it back,'' Johnson said at a news conference called to promote his appearance in the Jan. 18 Sunkist Invitational indoor track meet. ''I'm in the greatest condition of my life. In practice I've been running very well. I don't even want to tell you how fast I've been going.''

Johnson ran 100 meters in 9.79 seconds in Seoul, but he was stripped of his gold medal after testing positive for steroids. He was later suspended for two years by the International Amateur Athletic Federation, but he was reinstated in September.

''I am rather glad I got caught,'' Johnson said. ''I'd rather have been caught to eliminate the possible long-term damage the drug could do to me. If I were to keep up the steroid use I could have damaged my liver. But I didn't.

''I never considered quitting. I just plan to come back. I have the support of my family and my friends. I'm glad everything is back to normal. I've always believed in myself and I train very hard.''

Johnson will return in a Jan. 12 meet in Toronto. It has been rumored he will meet Lewis in a match race for large dollars. Lewis was given the world record in the 100 at 9.92 seconds for his run in Seoul.

''I can't wait to run against Carl,'' Johnson said. ''I've been dreaming about it all the time I've been away. I've got no fear of Carl Lewis. I admire him and respect him but I don't fear him.''

The Canadian sprinter said the last two years have been draining.

''Its been tough,'' Johnson said. ''I lost a lot of my friends. Most of the friends left that I practiced with. The friends I lost weren't really my friends.

''Yes, I've paid my dues. It was unfair. I've known all along that I wasn't the only one using steroids. But I have to get back on the right track. I got caught. I was the big name, a great athlete and I came across as the bad guy. As time goes by, things will be back in my favor.''

Johnson said the steroids in his system in Seoul gave him very little advantage.

''Maybe one-half meter,'' he said. ''Not much, really. As it turns out I didn't need steroids. As time went on I realized that they were wrong.''

Johnson has looked slimmer during workouts, but he claimed he has not lost pounds since giving up steroids.

''My weight is right at 174,'' he said. ''The same weight I had when I set the world record.''

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#90323u1691 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) UPI - Promising medical research into diseases ranging from breast cancer to AIDS is suffering because of a goverment ban on the French abortion pill in the United States, doctors and a congressman charged Monday.

Medical researchers and Rep. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., sharply criticized the Food and Drug Administration during a contentious three-hour hearing on the status of the controversial drug RU 486.

''In the name of taking some kind of symbolic action ... critical medical

research is being derailed,'' Wyden said. ''Americans are going to suffer needlessly due to this position. I think it's very irresponsible.''

FDA officials defended their decision to issue an alert that RU 486 cannot be brought into the country for personal use because it can cause serious side effects like bleeding and may be used without a doctor's supervision.

''The import alert was to try to protect individual citizens in this country '' said Ronald Chesemore, the FDA's associate commissioner for regulatory affairs. The alert, similar to that previously issued for nearly 60 other drugs, placed no limitations on importing the drug for research, he said.

RU 486 has been shown to be safe and effective for inducing abortions early in a pregnancy, allowing women to avoid surgical procedures. The drug has been made available for that use in France and other countries.

But the drug has not been approved in the United States. The drug's manufacturer, Roussel-Uclaf of Paris, has no plans to seek approval, in part because of strong opposition from anti-abortionists.

The FDA does, however, make exceptions in rare cases for individuals to bring small quantities of unapproved drugs into the country for their own use. But in June the agency issued an ''import alert'' announcing RU 486 would not be permitted in that way because of concerns over ''safety of the user.''

Wyden charged that the move was spurred by pressure from anti- abortionists and ''sent a message around the world'' that could discourage Roussel-Uclaf from making the drug available, even for testing for non-abortion uses.

Before FDA officials addressed Wyden's Subcommittee on Regulation, Business Opportunities and Energy, researchers testified the drug has shown promise for a wide range of diseases, including breast cancer, Cushing's disease, controlling obesity and even possibly treating AIDS and limiting aging.

If RU 486 was not also effective for inducing abortions, it would be considered ''a major medical breakthrough,'' said Dr. William Regelson, a professor of medicine at the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond.

But despite the strong promise, research into RU 486's medicinal value has been severely limited in the United States because of a lack of availability of the drug, which works by blocking the action of the hormone progesterone, the researchers said.

''I believe enforcement of the import alert means that thousands of men and women are denied access to a safe and critically important drug to treat not only cancers but to correct many other hormonal problems,'' said Kathryn Horwitz of the University of Colorado in Denver.

Several patients who had been helped by the drug described their experience, and representatives from the American Medical Association, American Public Health Association and patients' groups called for more research.

''The issue here is not abortion, the issue is the life or death of women with breast cancer,'' said Helen Byrne of the Cancer Patients Action Alliance in New York, who described herself as a devout Catholic who is opposed to abortion.

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#90323u1707 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.71

60 to 89 days 7.85

90 to 119 days 7.72

120 to 149 days 7.61

150 to 179 days 7.55

180 to 270 days 7.43

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.82 - 7.65

Issuers 30 days 7.52

Issuers 90 days 7.68

Issuers 270 days 7.39

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.90

60 to 89 days 8.05

90 to 119 days 7.94

120 to 149 days 7.95

150 to 179 days 7.90

180 days 7.90

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 11-16 - 7 13-16

1 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

3 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

6 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

Year 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.11 - 7.09

6 months 7.09 - 7.07

Year 6.86 - 6.84

Federal Funds: High 7 5/8, Low 7 9-16, Close 7 9-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 7.655 off 0.012.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90323u1715 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2565.35	up	15.10	867.79	up	3.33	208.69	up	0.44
Friday	2550.25	up	5.20	864.46	off	3.51	208.25	up	0.82
Week ago	2540.35	up	51.74	866.68	up	33.29	212.09	up	1.77
Month ago	2516.09	off	4.70	883.69	up	15.53	210.89	up	1.01
Year ago	2632.04	off	20.62	1163.23	off	27.92	220.01	off	1.07
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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(NOV. 19) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	174.34	up	1.04
ASE Market Value Index	296.47	off	1.05
Dow-Jones Industrial	2565.35	up	15.10

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#90323u1721 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 19) - Winter bore down on the American Northwest with storm warnings and watches in several mountain states while snow fell on northern Maine and the sun shone in the south and the desert Southwest, the National Weather Service reported Monday.

A winter storm warning was in effect through Monday night for the Cascade and Olympic mountains of Washington and a watch was posted for other high elevations in the state. More than a foot of snow was likely above 3,000 feet in the Olympics and Cascades.

Strong winds accompanied the wet weather in the Pacific Northwest. Winds at Bellingham, Wash., gusted to 52 mph in late morning and gale warnings flew through the day along the coast.

Snow advisories were issued in Oregon for the Cascades and other high elevations. Up to 10 inches was possible before the snow eased off.

A winter storm watch was posted for most of Idaho, parts of Montana west of the Continental Divide, the western mountains of Wyoming and the high country of Utah.

The weather service in Salt Lake City said the system should produce abundant snow for the northern Utah mountains in time for Thanksgiving weekend travel.

''A winter storm watch has now been posted for all the Utah mountains Tuesday, as a winter-like storm will feast on Utah,'' said Bill Alder, the weather service's chief Utah meteorologist

Tropical moisture moving inland from California and cold Canadian air from British Columbia ''will join together over the Great Basin and produce a significant snow event, especially for the Utah mountains,'' he said.

A weak storm system dumped light rain over eastern New England but snow, sleet and freezing rain blanketed northern Maine as a winter weather advisory was posted for up to 6 inches of snow. Gale warnings flew along the coast of Maine New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

It was dry and bright over most of the nation and the sun burned off dense fog in the Central Plains and the middle Mississippi Valley, south to southern Texas.

Sunny skies prevailed over much of the Southeast and the Southwest.

Afternoon temperatures ranged from the the 20s and 30s in eastern New York and New England, the 40s in the Great Lakes region, the 60s and 70s across the South and the 80s in south Texas.

Sunshine and brisk southerly winds sent temperatures into the 50s in the northern central states and the 60s and 70s in the deserts and valleys and coastal Southwest.

Elkins, W.Va., was the cold spot in the nation for the second day, at 14 degrees. Record lows were set or tied in Asheville, N.C. (26), Elkins, (14, tied), and Tallahassee, Fla., (29, tied)

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#90323u1722 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks - 8,840,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,007,701,680
Bonds - $3,930,000
1990 to date - $661,228,000

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#90323u1727 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Monday - $36,170,000
1990 to date - $9,794,893,000

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#90323u1734 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) UPI - Washington Redskins defensive end Dexter Manley was approved Monday for reinstatement to the NFL one year after he was suspended for a third violation of the league's substance abuse policy.

The Redskins immediately announced they have placed Manley on waivers, meaning he is eligible to sign with any team, and added in a statement: ''We wish him well.''

The reinstatement takes effect Tuesday, the league said in a statement from its New York offices, but he will not be eligible to play again until Dec. 9.

Manley, 32, was suspended Nov. 18, 1989, after testing positive for cocaine use. He was suspended for life but he was eligible to apply for reinstatement after one year.

''I would like to thank Commissioner (Paul) Tagliabue for approving my petition for reinstatement,'' Manley said in a statement released through his attorney, Bob Woolf. ''I am most grateful to the commissioner for the faith, trust and confidence he has placed in me.

''I will make every effort never to violate that trust.''

Manley has been enrolled in a substance abuse program in Houston and says he has been drug-free for more than a year.

Woolf, in a telephone interview, said he believed the delay in Manley's potential return to regular-season play in the NFL was to give his client and the league time ''to work out an after-care program that we can all agree on.''

''He's so very happy to be back in football,'' said Woolf, who spoke with Manley soon after the ruling was issued.

Woolf said Manley was at his home in Northern Virginia and ''wants to wait to see if he's picked up on waivers before making any further comment.''

The NFL statement said Tagliabue's decision is conditioned on several factors, including Manley's continued avoidance of further drug involvement and the player's participation in a structured support program.

''Manley must be enrolled in such a program before he may play in an NFL game on the weekend of Dec. 9,'' the statement said.

Teams expressing interest in Manley include the Phoenix Cardinals - caoched by former Redskins assistant Joe Bugel - the Miami Dolphins and the Los Angeles Raiders. NFC teams will get the chance to sign the Redskins' all-time sack leader before AFC teams and the order is determined by fewest victories.

The Redskins said in their statement they do not have room for Manley on their roster, citing a ''full complement of seven defensive linemen and another one on injured reserve.''

The Redskins this year traded for defensive linemen Eric Williams and Tim Johnson and signed Jumpy Geathers as a Plan-B free agent.

''We are pleased that the commissioner has reinstated Dexter Manley,'' the Redskins statement concluded, ''thus giving Dexter a second chance to prove himself to his football fans. We wish him well.''

Some fans attending the game Sunday at RFK Stadium in Washington made their feelings known, hanging banners in support of Manley, whose onfield enthusiasm made him a favorite among the faithful.

''Hey, Jack! We need more sacks. Bring Dexter back,'' said one directed at Redskins owner Jack Kent Cooke. ''Please keep 72. R.S.V.P. the fans'' and ''Dexter come home'' read two others.

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#90323u1743 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 297.88, low 295.94, close 296.47, off 1.05.

There was a loss of 4 cents in the average share price.

Volume 8,840,000 shares, compared with 9, 170,000 Friday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	7
New Lows	38
Advances	253
Declines	289
Unchanged	243
Total Issues	785

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#90323u1753 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks	-	140,950,000 shares
1990 to date	-	35,432,231,300
Warrants	-	833,300
1990 to date	-	229,661,200

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#90323u1767 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday nine points higher to eight points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	74.20	74.80	73.75	74.34	74.25
Mar	73.50	74.00	73.30	73.65	73.63
May	74.05	74.15	73.70	73.95	74.03
Jly	74.30	74.50	74.10	74.20	74.20
Oct	67.80	68.00	67.80	67.78	67.79
Dec	65.61	65.65	65.51	65.53	65.58
Mar	66.20	66.20	66.20	66.28	66.25

Estimated sales: 5,500 contracts
Open interest: 44,975 off 24
The World spot average: 69.57

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#90323u1770 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.15	up 0.20
10 Public Utils	92.19	up 0.14
10 Industrials	88.11	up 0.26

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#90323u1772 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2563.61	2580.69	2543.07	2565.35	up 15.10
20 Trans	869.45	879.07	857.99	867.79	up 3.33
15 Utils	209.19	210.14	207.43	208.69	up 0.44
65 Stock	895.65	902.28	887.23	895.17	up 4.19

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	17,039,200	24,850,700
Trans	2,680,600	3,486,700
Utils	2,152,200	3,008,500
65 Stock	21,872,000	31,345,900

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.15	up 0.20
10 Public Utils	92.19	up 0.14
10 Industrials	88.11	up 0.26

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 125.81 unchanged.

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#90323u1783 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	25.95-26.00	25.20-25.30
North Sea Brent	30.83-30.93	30.20-30.25
West Texas Intermed	31.50-31.60	29.75-29.85
Light Louisiana Sweet	32.60-32.80	30.80-30.95
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	82.35-82.85	80.40-80.65
No. 2 Heating oil	86.10-86.30	83.52-83.90
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	78.45-78.60	75.90-76.10
No. 2 Heating oil	84.15-84.35	82.00-82.20

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#90323u1810 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 19) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	231.00	232.80	230.40	230.05	232.80
Mar	233.10	234.80	232.60	232.20	234.80
Jun	....	....	....	237.00	234.60

Estimated volume: 64 contracts.

Open interest: 1,257 off 6.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.

Dec 320.50 321.45 318.95 321.15 319.30
Mar 323.20 324.40 321.65 323.80 321.90
Jun 326.25 327.00 324.50 326.65 324.75
Sep .... 329.80 327.60 329.35 327.65 Estimated volume: 43,497 contracts.
Open interest: 158,427 up 2,441.

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs
Open High Low Settle Prev.
Dec 174.80 175.40 174.00 174.05 175.20
Mar 176.20 176.45 175.25 175.30 176.45
Jun 177.50 177.50 177.50 176.60 177.75 Open interest: 4,841 up 183.
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs
Open High Low Settle Prev.
Dec 539.00 541.70 537.90 541.40 537.75
Jan 541.00 543.30 540.40 543.30 539.75 Estimated volume: 8,215 contracts.
Open interest: 8,781 up 487.

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#90323u1817 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	352.73	up	1.88	351.46	455.71
Industrial	380.28	up	3.69	374.67	443.39
Finance	348.16	off	1.68	344.30	526.02
Insurance	418.73	off	1.41	420.43	546.29
Utility	458.67	off	0.56	489.46	732.29
Bank	252.60	up	2.30	247.96	424.04
Transport	386.47	up	1.10	389.36	481.11

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 155.19 up 0.89
Industrial Index 151.17 up 1.57
NASDAQ-100 Index 374.08 up 4.16

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#90323u1818 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	371.23	223.44	140.78	22.23	317.12

Opening	373.87	224.77	141.51	22.39	319.29
11 a.m.	372.66	224.55	141.12	22.28	318.26
Noon	372.88	223.81	141.09	22.23	318.33
1 p.m.	374.20	223.85	141.27	22.32	319.35
2 p.m.	372.76	223.05	140.91	22.20	318.15
3 p.m.	373.42	223.24	141.10	22.23	318.67
Close	374.31	223.73	141.18	22.27	319.34
Change	up 3.08	up 0.29	up 0.40	up 0.04	up 2.22

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#90323u1828 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Kuwait's ambassador to the United Nations said Monday it is doubtful that the U.N. embargo will force Iraq, with its ample supplies of military spare parts and food, to leave Kuwait in the foreseeable future.

"I doubt that sanctions will bite in the foreseeable future," said Mohammed Abdulla Abulhasan in reply to a question at a luncheon of businessmen at the World Trade Center.

He said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has stockpiled "a tremendous reserve" of food, some of it taken from Kuwait, and has little regard for suffering of Iraqis, other than those in the army.

"With the reserves he has and the (disregard) he has for his people, the sanctions will not be as effective as we hoped in the beginning," Abulhasan said. "He has enough spare parts to carry him for quite a long time."

The ambassador stopped short of explicitly calling for an invasion by the multinational force to eject Iraqi forces, despite widespread reports that Kuwaiti officials favor that option. But he said, "The language of force is the only language he (Saddam) knows. He does not know the language of diplomacy, the language of sense."

Abulhasan said he knew "fractures" were starting to appear in the American people's support of the buildup of American forces in Saudi Arabia. "I know some are asking why American lives should be risked for a cheaper gallon of oil ... And I will tell you quite frankly: I am worried because Saddam Hussein has waited, and waited patiently, for just these fault lines to appear."

Abulhasan warned, "Oil is power. Whosoever controls the lion's share of it has much to say about the direction the developed world takes; about the health of the world's economy, and the stability of its markets. I don't think this is a privilege we want to cede to Saddam Hussein."

He called Saddam's offer to start releasing western hostages at Christmas "an idea to delay an American and multinational response." Saddam "is under

pressure and he is starting to realize the multinational force ... means business," he said.

Asked later by reporters how much damage Iraq has inflicted on Kuwaiti oil fields, he said, "We don't have any exact report of damages. But we know there are now some mines that have been put there and we know that there are intentions of inflicting damage if any assault takes place."

He said Kuwait currently has 7,000 to 9,000 troops under arms in Saudi Arabia and more are arriving every day. "We hope by the time a military option (would) be needed, we should be able to have (sufficient forces there to be) a real part of that troop to liberate Kuwait."

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#90323u1830 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 19) UPI - Iraq says it is moved another 250-thousand troops into Kuwait because of the threat of an attack by the U-S-led multi-national force. The official Iraq News Agency says President Saddam Hussein gave the order today.

The new Iraqi troop movement comes the day after the nation said it would free all its foreign hostages in ''batches'' beginning on Christmas Day and running for three months after... if the multi- national force does NOT attack.

The leaders of 34 nations are gathered in Paris for a Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe. The three-day summit opened with the signing of a treaty that formally ended the Cold War.

In remarks to the conference, President Bush praised the success in negotiating conventional arms cuts in Europe and creating an atmosphere of peace. But he said that success must be matched by the world blocking any Iraqi profit from its aggression in Kuwait.

Soviet President Gorbachev told the Paris summit that his nation is patient in seeking a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. But he also indicated that the Soviet Union would NOT cast its veto against a U-N Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq.

The return to Earth of the shuttle Atlantis and its five crew members is being delayed one orbit because of strong winds at the Edwards Air Force Base landing strip in California.

Democratic Senator Dennis DeConcini demanded that the Senate ethics committee clear him of allegations of influence- peddling. He charged that the special committee counsel based his accusations on the senator called ''lies'' and ''hearsay.''

Convicted kidnap-killer Robert Raymond Clark was put to death in the electric

chair at the Florida State Prison in Starke this morning... eight minutes after his last stay-of-execution expired.

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#90323u1861 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

(For Monday)

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Monday	1027.2
Friday	1025.9
Week ago	1027.7
Month ago	1055.9
Year ago	1091.7
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1025.5

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#90323u1873 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 19) UPI - Farmers may cut their wheat acreage by ten percent next year in the face of a record world harvest this year and stronger prices for competing crops, the government said Monday.

"U.S. wheat prospects for 1991 point to decidedly lower production than the near-record 1990 crop," Agriculture Department economists said in a quarterly "outlook" report.

Growers harvested 2.74 billion bushels of wheat this year, up 35 percent from 1989 and the third-largest wheat crop ever. Yields averaged a record 39.6 bushels an acre. The spring wheat crop, at 586 million bushels, was a record.

As a result of a bumper crop worldwide, wheat prices are forecast to run at least $1 a bushel below the $3.72 a bushel paid for the 1989 crop. The government said the prospect for more attractive prices in other crops and a larger land setaside requirement to qualify for the farm program "will assure sharply reduced wheat seedings."

"Assuming the minimum (setaside) of 15 percent for 1991, a participation rate similar to this year likely would lead to four to five times more wheat area idled ... in 1991 than the approximately two million acres in 1990," the report said. The minimum decrease suggested in the report, 8 million acres, would equal slightly more than ten percent of the land sown for this year's crop.

The report said the new five-year farm policy bill, which would make some land ineligible for crop subsidies and in other instances would allow farmers to

experiment with other crops without jeopardizing future eligibility for subsidies, would mean that even if farmers enroll in the farm program, some of their wheat land could be planted to other crops. "For 1991, the major impact of these provisions on participants is expected to be on spring wheat plantings," the report said.

U.S. wheat exports are projected to drop by 200 million bushels during the current marketing year, to 1.08 billion bushels. The U.S. stockpile of wheat could almost double by June 1, reaching an estimated 945 million bushels, compared to the 536 million bushels on hand when this year's harvest began.

The report said this year's large world crop probably would discourage wheat production in other countries as well, although some nations, including China and the Soviet Union, "are not very responsive to world price movements."

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#90323u1877 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Stocks gained Monday in light holiday week trading as optimism about the outlook for interest rates allowed the market to shake off a sharp rise in oil prices.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 5.20 Friday, gained 15.10 to close at 2565.35.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index added 1.04 to 174.34 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index gained 2.22 to 319.34. The price of an average share rose 18 cents.

Advances led declines 894-614 among the 1,987 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to 140,950,000 shares, down from 165,410,690 traded Friday.

Analysts said Wall Street's optimism about a further decline in interest rates allowed stocks to overcome a sharp rise in oil prices brought on by hawkish news from the Mideast.

Iraq said it would send more than 250,000 additional troops to Kuwait in anticipation of a possible attack by the U.S.-led multinational force in the Persian Gulf. December crude oil futures closed up $1.72 at $31.50 a barrel.

Don Hays, director of investment strategy at Wheat, First Securities Inc. in Richmond, Va., said that, in his view, the oil market's reaction to the news was muted. So it was not surprising that stocks did not tumble on the news, he said.

"The price of oil was up $1.70 with the news that Saddam Hussein is sending 250,000 troops to the region. That's a modest reaction to headline news," Hays said. "A month or two ago, oil would have hit $50 on that."

As for why stocks closed higher, Hays said the market's optimism about interest rates stemmed from the Federal Reserve's move Monday to add more reserves to the banking system, sending the key rate that banks use to make overnight loans to each other down to 7 1/2 percent or 7 5/8 percent.

"That almost dictates a prime rate cut in the next day or two," Hays argued. "The prime rate is pegged off that rate. It's usually no more than 2 percent above it. With the overnight rate at 7 1/2 percent, under any kind of normal conditions that dictates a 9 1/2 percent prime rate, which is now at ten percent." The central bank had similarly intervened last Friday.

Hays also said there are "tremendous seasonal tendencies" coming up in the market over the next five weeks, as money managers seek to put money to work before the end of the year. "That should be very positive," he said.

On the trading floor, USF&G was the most active issue, plunging 2 3/8 to 7 3/4 amid fears the insurance company may have to cut its dividend even more to control costs. Philip Morris followed, up 3/4 to 49. IBM was third, up 1 1/8 to 114 7/8.

Among other blue chips, Eastman Kodak gained 1 1/8 to 43 1/8, Coca-Cola rose 1 1/8 to 46 7/8, Union Carbide added 3/8 to 16 1/4, and Sears was up 1/2 to 26 1/2. AT&T was unchanged at 32.

Elsewhere, MCA surged 2 3/8 to 67 1/4. Paul Marsh, an entertainment analyst with Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards in Los Angeles, said the gain stemmed from a published report that MCA has hired several leading Washington lobbyists to smooth out political opposition to the company's proposed acquisition by Japan's Matsushita Electric.

"That solidifies the feeling in investors' minds that there will be a deal," Marsh said. "Those kind of efforts show that MCA is really interested in doing a deal."

CBS fell four to 159 3/4 after saying that losses from baseball coverage were more than expected and that it expects a loss from continuing operations in the fourth quarter.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 171,845,890 shares, compared with 198,446,600 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in light trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index lost 1.05 to 296.47. Declines led advances 289-253 among the 785 issues traded. The price of an average share fell four cents. Composite volume totaled 10,554,400 shares vs. 11,029,080 traded Friday. B.A.T. Industries led the Amex issues, unchanged at 11.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 1.88 to 352.73.

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#90323u1882 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	8	9	23
New lows	44	37	45

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	894	75,136,900
Declines	614	44,723,000
Unchanged	479	21,090,100
Total	1,987	140,950,000

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(NOV. 19) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.75	7.85	8.47
91-day Treasury bills	7.34	7.30	7.68
182-day Treasury bills	7.44	7.37	7.46
1-year Treasury bills	7.32	7.28	7.17
3-year Treasury notes	7.74	7.69	7.73
7-year Treasury notes	8.24	8.19	7.84
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.52	8.45	7.92
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.98	8.98	8.66
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.75	9.65	9.21
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.87	8.83	8.90
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.15	9.00	8.86
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.36	9.30	9.11
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.34	9.29	9.09

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90323u1890 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	174.35	173.69	174.34	up 1.04
Industrial	215.59	214.75	215.59	up 1.61
Transport	136.44	135.56	136.19	up 0.62
Utility	89.76	89.41	89.56	up 0.15
Finance	117.19	116.61	116.75	up 0.21

Equivalent to a gain of 18 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 140,950,000 shares.

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#90323u1901 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 19) UPI - President Bush joined 21 other national leaders in Paris to sign a treaty to end the Cold War, but then he warned that their success will be diluted unless Kuwait is freed from the occupation by Iraq. NATO and Warsaw Pact nations signed the treaty that reduces conventional weapons in Europe as the opening of a three-day summit of 34 nations at the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is ordering another quarter-Million troops into Kuwait. The official Iraq News Agency reported the decision today, saying Saddam acted after a meeting with his general command. The report says the order was issued because of the possibility of an attack by the U-S-led multi-national force gathered in the Persian Gulf region.

Earlier, President Bush ripped as a ''cynical ploy'' the Iraqi offer to free all its foreign hostages over a three-month period beginning on Christmas Day... if it is NOT attacked. Bush said the hostages should be freed immediately.

Soviet President Gorbachev also is in Paris for the European conference... even as a new challenge to his leadership emerged in the Soviet Union. Russian Federation President Boris Yeltsin told the parliament in Ukrainia today that his republic- the largest in the Soviet Union- is ready to conduct a referendum on the Gorbachev presidency. He said the referendum also would check on voter confidence in the central Soviet government in Moscow.

NASA delayed the return of the shuttle Atlantis and its five-man crew by at

least one 90-minute orbit today because of unacceptable wind conditions at the Edwards Air Force Base landing strip in California. The wind conditions threatened to delay the return still further, because forecasters say it is likely to remain windy through tomorrow.

Milli Vanilli will NOT get the chance to turn back their Grammy Award. It already has been taken from them... on paper at least. The National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences voted today to revoke the 1989 Best New Artist Grammy because the pair did NOT sing as advertised on the top-selling album ''Girl You Know It's True.'' Academy President Michael Greene in Los Angeles said the ruling to rescind the Grammy was taken ''regretfully.'' The academy says that since Rob Pilatus and Fabrice Morvan did NOT sing, the album credit was incorrect and thus ineligible to compete for best new artist. Milli Vanilli plans a news conference in Los Angeles tomorrow.

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#90323u1905 11/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austral	.000194	.000193	5145.00	5179.00
Australia dlr	.7645	.7640	1.3080	1.3089
Austria schill	.0978	.0967	10.23	10.34
Belgium franc-c	.0329	.0329	30.41	30.35
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0088	.0088	113.49	113.49
Britain pound	1.9702	1.9660	.5076	.5086
Britain 1-mo	1.9600	1.9561	.5102	.5112
Britain 3-mo	1.9429	1.9392	.5147	.5157
Britain 6-mo	1.9230	1.9183	.5200	.5213
Canada dollar	.8602	.8586	1.1625	1.1647
Canada 1-mo	.8571	.8555	1.1667	1.1689
Canada 3-mo	.8517	.8503	1.1741	1.1761
Canada 6-mo	.8448	.8432	1.1837	1.1860
Chile peso-f	.003268	.003269	306.02	305.90
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001862	.001863	537.08	536.78
Denmark krne	.1775	.1766	5.6338	5.6640
Ecudr sucre-z	.001179	.001179	848.25	848.25
Egypt pound	.3614	.3614	2.7670	2.7670
Finlnd mrkka	.2834	.2819	3.5280	3.5470
France franc	.2012	.2013	4.9695	4.9665
France 1-mo	.2009	.2010	4.9770	4.9740

France 3-mo	.2002	.2004	4.9943	4.9908
France 6-mo	.1991	.1992	5.0230	5.0200
Greece drach	.006684	.006634	149.62	150.73
Hollnd guildr	.6022	.6030	1.6605	1.6585
HongKong dlr	.1283	.1283	7.7920	7.7928
India rupee	.0558	.0557	17.93	17.94
Indo'sa rupia	.000538	.000538	1858.00	1859.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.8175	1.8220	0.5502	0.5488
Israel shekel	.5110	.5110	1.9570	1.9570
Italy lira	.000903	.000902	1108.00	1109.25
Japan yen	.007752	.007719	129.00	129.55
Japan 1-mo	.007758	.007731	128.90	129.35
Japan 3-mo	.007816	.007755	127.95	128.95
Japan 6-mo	.007924	.007826	126.20	127.78
Jordan dinar	1.5555	1.5555	.6429	.6429
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000343	.000343	2913.00	2912.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6095	.6085	1.6407	1.6434
Norway krne	.1741	.1738	5.7450	5.7525
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	428,475	428,475
P'pnes peso-z	.0370	.0366	27.05	27.31
Portugl escud	.007761	.007752	128.85	129.00
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5855	.5855	1.7080	1.7080
S.Africa rand	.3977	.3967	2.5142	2.5206
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010701	.010667	93.45	93.75
Sweden krona	.1810	.1807	5.5260	5.5340
Switzrl franc	.8032	.8040	1.2450	1.2438
Switzrl 1-mo	.8030	.8038	1.2454	1.2441
Swirzrl 3-mo	.8020	.8025	1.2469	1.2461
Switzrl 6-mo	.8009	.8011	1.2486	1.2483
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0374	26.75	26.74
Turkey lira	.000365	.000365	2737.00	2737.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0203	.0203	49.27	49.30
Germany mark	.6789	.6801	1.4730	1.4703
Germany 1-mo	.6787	.6799	1.4735	1.4708
Germany 3-mo	.6774	.6785	1.4763	1.4739
Germany 6-mo	.6751	.6783	1.4812	1.4742
Yugosl dinar	.0993	.0986	10.07	10.14

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90323u1912 11/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 19) UPI - The dollar mostly advanced Monday in light trading on news reports saying Iraq is to send another quarter-million soldiers to Kuwait and on market talk of dollar-buying by the Federal Reserve.

Currency traders said the New York foreign exchange market was in a "pre-holiday mode" in anticipation of the long Thanksgiving weekend.

But Iraq's decision to add 250,000 troops to its Kuwait occupation force to fend off any U.S. offensive to liberate the Persian Gulf emirate seized Aug. 2 spurred dollar purchases fueled by renewed war anxieties.

Dealers also reported hearing the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the central bank's agent in currency markets, had been buying dollars. But it was not clear such purchases, if made, had been interventionary. "Apparently, they bought," one New York trader said, "But it was not clear-cut enough for the market to say it was intervention."

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.4730 German marks, up from 1.4678 marks Friday, and at 128.75 Japanese yen, down from 129.37.

First Interstate Bank currency vice president Charles Spence said the market was "overly short of dollars" under the 1.47-mark level and "extremely nervous about things such as (Fed) intervention or a flareup in the Mideast." "That's why we got such an exaggerated move," Spence said.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2465 Swiss francs, up from 1.2450; 4.9765 French francs, up from 4.9635; and 1,109.25 Italian lire, up from 1,108.50. The British pound advanced to $1.9735 from $1.9675.

Sterling gained as players covered "short," or selling, positions ahead of Britain's ruling Conservative Party vote Tuesday deciding whether Margaret Thatcher, the prime minister, should continue to head the party.

In Europe, the dollar closed lower under the influence of the lastest easing by the Fed. Dealers reported quiet trading ahead of holidays this week in the United States, Japan and Germany.

The Fed eased its key Fed funds rate to 7.5 percent from 7.75 percent Friday as moderating inflation and a narrowing trade deficit pointed to U.S. economic weakness. Lower interest rates send investors into other units.

The dollar fell in both Frankfurt, closing at 1.4668 German marks vs. 1.4790, and Zurich, at 1.2425 Swiss francs vs. 1.2430.

In London, the pound closed higher, at $1.9715 vs. $1.9665, despite uncertainty over the Conservatives' leadership vote. Britain, a net oil exporter, also saw sterling gain on higher oil prices.

The dollar fell in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively: 4.9610 French francs vs. 4.9935; 30.32 Belgian francs vs. 30.40; and 1, 107.55 lira from 1,115.10.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar lost ground to the yen, closing at 128.95 yen, down from Friday's 129.73.

The dollar fell at the start of Monday's trading in reaction to an Iraqi announcement that Baghdad would conditionally free thousand of foreign hostages starting Christmas Day. But the impact seemed to wear off as the session continue.

Gold closed higher in Zurich, at $379 an ounce vs. $377.50 Friday, and in London, at $379.75 an ounce vs. $376.50.

Silver closed unchanged in Zurich at $4.15 an ounce but rose in London to $4.16 an ounce from $4.12 late last week.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $381.75 an ounce, up from $379.50 Friday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $381.40 an ounce, up from $378.90.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.145 an ounce, down from $4.16. Comex silver ended at $4.14 an ounce, down from $4.15.

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LOS ANGELES (UPI) - The pop-singing duo Milli Vanilli was stripped Monday of its 1989 Best New Artist Grammy because the pair did not sing on the top-selling album ''Girl You Know It's True'' although it carried the group's name.

The award was revoked by the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences' national board of trustees following a vote Monday, marking the first such occurrence in the 33-year history of the Grammys.

Academy President Michael Greene said the ruling to rescind Milli Vanilli's award had been taken ''regretfully.''

''The decision comes as a result of admissions and revelations ... that the

label credit on their album 'Girl You Know It's True' was incorrect and the group was thus not eligible to compete in the Best New Artist category,'' Greene said.

A spokesman for Rob Pilatus and Fab Morvan - the pair promoted as the group Milli Vanilli who announced over the weekend they would willlingly return their Grammy - said they would withhold comment until Tuesday, when the performers scheduled a news conference to discuss the controversy in depth.

''We know that we were involved in something that was wrong,'' Pilatus told the Los Angeles Times Saturday.

The academy waited several days before deciding how to handle the embarrassing incident that came to light last week when group's German- based producer, Frank Farian, fired Pilatus and Morvan and announced the two did not sing on their debut album, which was distributed by Arista Records and sold 7 million copies.

Pilatus and Morvan also confirmed that they did not sing on the album and admitted they lip-synched in music videos and during live concerts, including their performance on the televised Grammy Award show in March.

The Grammy is considered a symbol of recording artistic excellence and winners are selected by approximately 6,000 voting members of the academy, which is made up of a broad spectrum of singers, musicians, producers, engineers, songwriters, conductors and other creative figures in the recording industry.

Greene attempted to downplay the academy's oversight that led to the selection of Milli Vanilli, saying the music organization receives up to 9,000 entries annually in the Grammy Award process and relies on the accuracy and credibility of label credits supplied by the record companies.

''In this specific instance, critical portions of this label credit are incorrect and misleading to the recording academy's voting membership,'' Greene said. ''This is deemed totally unacceptable.''

He added that the academy planned to review whether to award the 1989 Best New Artist Grammy to another musician and would make an announcement on the matter ''in the near future.''

Members of the academy base their voting decision on the album credits provided by record companies. Morvan and Pilatus allege that top officials at Arista Records and the German conglomerate Bertelsmann Music Group (BMG) were aware fo the false album credits prior to their Grammy nomination.

NARAS has often been criticized for recognizing stylish, successful musicians over artists who may be more talented, but have a harder time racking up record sales.

Meanwhile, in Oakland, Calif., a woman sued the group, claiming her 14-year-old son and other Milli Vanilli fans were defrauded by the musicians and their managers.

''The entire Milli Vanilli success story is a fake foisted upon unsuspecting consumers by the defendants in this action who bilked untold numbers of consumers, many of them children, out of tens of millions of dollars,'' contended the lawsuit filed by Sheila Stalder in Alameda County Superior Court.

Stalder is asking for unspecified punitive damages from the duo and also demanded Pilatus and Morvan, their agents, and Arista records, to refund the purchase price of the album, compact disc, tapes and videotapes to consumers.

The lawsuit contends Milli Vanilli and the producers and marketers of the Grammy-winning album engaged in a ''pernicous, elaborate and fradulent scheme'' because the singers failed to perform.

''We don't have an accurate accounting yet but they sold seven million of the one that won the Grammy,'' said Alan M. Caplan, Stalder's attorney. ''It could run into the tens of millions of dollars.''

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ISSAQUAH, WA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Personal computer software reseller Egghead Discount Software (NASDAQ: EGGS) today reported second quarter fiscal 1991 earnings of $1.5 million, or $.09 per share, representing the company's fourth consecutive profitable quarter and an increase of $5.9 million over its second quarter fiscal 1990 loss of $4.3 million, or $.27 per share.

Egghead's second quarter results included a $1.7 million accrual for costs expected to be incurred in the $2.9 million settlement of a class action shareholders' lawsuit. Egghead's sales for the twelve-week quarter ended Oct. 13, 1990, increased 17 percent to $114.8 million compared to sales of $98.5 million in the like period a year ago.

Earnings in the first half of Egghead's fiscal 1991 were $3.7 million, or $.22 per share, up $13.2 million from a loss of $9.5 million, or $.59 per share, in the first half a year ago. Sales increased 18 percent to $259.5 million in the first half fiscal 1991, from $220.8 million in the first half a year ago.

The company attributed the second quarter earnings improvement to an increase in its gross margin rate and to a significant decrease in selling, general, and administrative expense (SG&A) as a percentage of sales. Egghead's gross margin grew from 16.7 percent of sales in second quarter fiscal 1990 to 17.5 percent in second quarter fiscal 1991, even though direct sales -- which typically have lower margins than retail sales -- increased as a percentage of

total sales. Additionally, the company reduced SG&A expenses from 18.5 percent of sales in second quarter fiscal 1990 to 15.0 percent in second quarter fiscal 1991.

Egghead Discount Software sells personal computer software, peripherals, and accessories to individuals, businesses and government accounts through its company-operated retail stores and through its direct sales force in the U.S. and Canada. Egghead currently operates 188 retail stores and employs a direct sales force of approximately 330.

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FREMONT, CALIF. (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - DSP Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:DSPT) announced Tuesday that net income for the third quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Oct. 31, 1990, rose 74 percent to $176,000, or 9 cents per share, from $101,000, or 5 cents per share, for last year's third quarter as net sales increased 8 percent to $1.6 million from $1,478,000.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1991, net income increased 13 percent to $370,000, or 18 cents per share, compared with $327,000, or 16 cents per share reported a year ago. Net sales for the first nine months of this year were $4,248,000 compared with $4,736,000 for the same period in fiscal 1990.

Noting that net income for the first nine months approximates net income for all of last year, president F. Gil Troutman said, ''We feel that the trend shown in this year's third quarter will continue through the end of the fiscal year on the strength of the good order rates which we have experienced in the past several months.''

Troutman attributed the gain in third quarter net income to improved gross margins and higher net sales. He added that orders received during the third quarter exceeded expectations.

These orders included an initial order from a West German car manufacturer for the company's combustion analysis system, a contract from Martin Marietta for a system to be used for monitoring acceleration and pressure data during Titan IV lift- off and an order from Wichita State University, Kansas, for equipment to test the safety of airplane seats. Troutman added, ''The two latter orders represent new applications in the aerospace industry for the company's products.''

Finally, Troutman observed that the common stock purchase warrants attached to DSP's Units will expire on December 31, 1990. Subsequent to that date, all

Units will trade as common shares under the NASDAQ symbol DSPT.

DSP Technology Inc,. designs, manufactures and markets electronic instrumentation and data acquisition systems to automobile manufacturers, major research and development laboratories and government-funded national and university research laboratories. Its products enable research and product development engineers to capture data from occurrences lasting millionths of a second or spanning several days.

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CRETEIL, FRANCE (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Oce Graphics France S.A. has signed a distribution agreement with Raster Graphics Inc. (RGI), giving Oce Graphics exclusive marketing and distribution rights of RGI's current and future products throughout Europe, and non-exclusive rights in other geographic markets.

Oce Graphics currently holds over one-third of the pen and direct imaging plotter market, worldwide. Jean-Paul Villot, chief executive officer of Oce Graphics, predicts immediate success with the commercialization of RGI's first product offering, a 24-inch color raster plotter, set to begin early next year.

''We are confident that we will rapidly capture one-third of the wide format color raster market in Europe,'' he said. ''Raster Graphics' innovative and technically advanced products combined with Oce Graphics' expanding sales and service network, will intensely challenge the European plotter market,'' Villot further explained.

''We believe that Europe is an ideal marketplace for our advanced technology products,'' commented Andreas Bibl, chief executive officer of Raster Graphics. ''We are excited that Oce Graphics will be our partner in pursuing this market and we are looking forward to a very successful relationship.''

Raster Graphics, founded in 1987, manufactures and markets a family of large format, laser quality color printers. The ColorStation D was originally introduced to the U.S. market in August of 1989. In April of 1990, the ColorStation was introduced in Japan through an exclusive distribution arrangement with NKK.

According to Bibl, ''The agreement with Oce is a major milestone for Raster Graphics, giving us a strong partner in the dynamic European marketplace.''

Founded as Benson in 1955, Oce Graphics produces and markets a wide range of graphics peripherals used in engineering, drafting and graphic design applications. The firm is the largest seller of pen plotters in Europe, and third largest worldwide.

Headquarters in Creteil, France, house corporate administration, marketing and executive staff, as well as a research and development center. The graphics division has 950 employees in offices throughout Europe, Asia and North America, and projects 1990 revenues of $155 million with an operating profit of $13 million.

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GLENDALE, CALIF. (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - A stunning $225 million in total lease transactions have been finalized by Lincoln Property Company N.C. Inc. at its new Carnation Building in Glendale, resulting in full occupancy of the 21-story high-rise on the day it officially opened, company officials reported Tuesday.

One of the few bright spots in an otherwise spotty Southern California office market, the 502,000-square-foot structure will be occupied by a host of professional service firms in addition to housing two of the nation's more recognizable names -- Carnation and Walt Disney.

Although Carnation Co., in its first-ever joint-venture office development, occupied 55 percent of the building, the other 225,000 square feet posed a particular marketing challenge to Lincoln's in-house marketing team led by John R. Miller, senior vice president and operating partner.

Miller and Allen Palmer, director of marketing, led a skeleton staff of just six Lincoln employees to one of the fastest and most valuable leasing cycles for any building in the Los Angeles area over the past five years.

They marketed the building's features, which included Carnation as the lead tenant, architecture by Scott Johnson of the firm Johnson Fain and Pereira Associates, and a premier location on Brand Boulevard, as major attractions to the structure.

''One of the major challenges developers face in a market like this is the competition for tenants, especially when your potential lead tenant is a major

national corporation looking for 275,000 square feet,'' said Miller. ''After we made our joint-venture deal with Carnation, we could breathe a little easier but we still had to fill up about half the building.''

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AKRON, OH (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Ohio Edison Co. Tuesday declared an unchanged quarterly dividend of 37.5 cents per share of outstanding common stock.

The dividend will be payable Dec. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record Dec. 7, 1990.

The directors also declared the following quarterly dividends on the company's preferred stock.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - University of California Extension, Santa Cruz and Sony Microsystems Co., San Jose, announced the opening of a UNIX workstation teaching laboratory and advanced education and presentation center at Techmart, Santa Clara.

UC Extension, with offices and classrooms at Techmart, has integrated the new Sony Advanced Presentation Center into its facility and its curriculum.

The center, which will be run jointly as a training partnership by Sony Microsystems and UCSC Extension, will offer intensive two- to four-day courses on the use of Sony NEWS workstations, and on such products as Framemaker, Motif and Eiffel used on NEWS workstations. UC Extension will also use the laboratory to teach ongoing general UNIX operating system courses.

Many of the courses can be taken to lead to the UCSC Certificate in UNIX Systems Administration and Management.

According to John Palacio, manager of Sony Microsystems Education Services, the lab has been equipped with 10 NEWS workstations capable of being connected with VCRs, optical disks or live video cameras.

Classes at the new lab will begin in January 1991. Scheduled for the winter

quarter are such courses as: Introduction to UNIX, Introduction to C, X-Windows, Eiffel Object Oriented Programming, Introduction to the Sony NEWS Workstation, Introduction to NEWS Local Area Networks, Mathematica, Framemaker UNIX Security, and others.

For more information on these courses at the Sony Advanced Presentation Center call University Extension at 408/562-5711.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. (NYSE:AMD) announced Tuesday its regular dividend payment of $0.75 per share on its depositary convertible exchangeable preferred stock. The dividend is payable Dec. 15 to shareholders of record on Dec. 1, 1990.

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HILLIARD, OH (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Medex Inc. Tuesday announced it has signed an agreement to acquire Ivion Corp., a privately held Delaware corporation with its principle place of business in Englewood, Colo., through a merger transaction, which provides that Ivion will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Medex.

The acquisition builds Medex's presence in the high-technology, precision fluid and drug administration niche of the medical products marketplace.

The approximately $6.5 million acquisition will be paid by Medex through cash assets and borrowings.

For the first three quarters of 1990, Ivion posted sales of approximately $13.5 million and a net loss of $1.5 million, due in part to write-offs associated with a restructuring program. For the fourth quarter ending Dec. 31, Ivion anticipates sales of $4.6 million and a net loss of $250,000.

Ivion manufactures precision fluid infusion pumps and related disposable sets serving adult and pediatric hospitals and the ambulatory and home health care markets. During the year it introduced the KIDS pump for pediatric hospitals and the EZ-1 pump for general adult hospitals. Ivion's market niche complements that of MedFusion, the Georgia-based Medex subsidiary that manufactures syringe pumps and ambulatory pumps used in pediatric and home

health care settings.

''The addition of the Ivion product line enables Medex to supply products meeting virtually every drug infusion procedure practiced in hospitals and home health care,'' said Craig Waldbillig, chairman and chief executive officer. ''Medex will leverage significant opportunities to build market penetration and internal efficiencies by exploring joint efforts of Ivion and MedFusion.''

Medex designs, manufactures and distributes a wide range of disposable medical products for critical and acute care. Life-support products include disposable sets for intravenous fluid and drug administration and invasive pressure monitoring, as well as products for anesthesia, intensive care, cardiac catheterization, oncology and pain management.

Operating subsidiaries of Medex include Medex Medical Inc., Rossendale, England; Cardionova, GmbH, Dusseldorf, West Germany; and MedFusion Inc., Duluth, Ga. Medex stock is traded over-the-counter on the NASDAQ National Market System under the MDEX symbol.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of United Telecommunications Inc. has declared regular fourth quarter dividends.

Dividends of 25 cents per common share and 37-1/2 cents per share on both the first and second series convertible preferred stock was declared.

All dividends will be paid Dec. 28 to stockholders of record as of Dec. 7.

The fourth quarter dividend on the common stock of United Telecom will be the 183rd consecutive dividend paid by the company since 1939.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Litton's Guidance & Control Systems division, Woodland Hills, Calif., has received a $12.3 million addition to a previously awarded U.S. Air Force contract to produce laser gyro inertial navigation systems for F-15 and F-16 tactical aircraft.

The funding provides for 127 more Litton LN-93 and LN-94 systems, as well as spares and data. The systems will replace units currently in use on existing aircraft and are also slated for installation aboard new aircraft. The number of systems ordered under this contract now totals 1,377. Work on the program will continue at Litton facilities in Salt Lake City and Grants Pass, Ore., as well as Woodland Hills.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Daniel Industries Inc. (NYSE:DAN) Tuesday announced that earnings increased 32 percent and backlog 95 percent for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income for 1990, totaled $8,112,000, or 78 cents per share, up 32 percent compared to $6,164,000, or 60 cents per share, in 1989. Revenues for 1990 were $170,558,000, virtually unchanged from the $170,154,000 in revenues reported for 1989.

For the fourth quarter of 1990, net income was $2,419,000, or 23 cents per share, up 23 percent from $1,961,000, or 19 cents per share, earned in the fourth quarter of 1989. Revenues totaled $46,478,000 compared to $46,476,000 in 1989.

Daniel's backlog at Sept. 30, 1990, was $68,347,000, up 95 percent from $35,054,000 at Sept. 30, 1989.

Daniel Industries Inc. is a major international supplier of fluid measurement products and systems principally for oil and natural gas producers, transporters and refiners. The company also manufactures and sells alloy stud bolts and gaskets, pipeline valves, gas lift equipment, flanges and steam generation packages.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Del Monte Foods has announced that

Irvin R. Holmes Jr. will join the company as vice president of marketing responsible for Del Monte's dried fruit, Fruit Snacks, processed pineapple products and juices, and Fruit Blends juice products.

This is a new assignment at Del Monte Foods.

Holmes, age 38, joins Del Monte Foods from Dole Food Company where he held the title of vice president, marketing and sales. While at Dole Food Company, Holmes successfully launched the new Dole line of raisins, dates, almonds and pistachios. He is a member of the Marketing Committee of both the Raisin Advisory Board and the California Prune Board.

Prior to joining Dole, Holmes served as Director of Regional Marketing for James River/Crown Zellerbach in San Francisco. He was Group Product Manager for the AMF Ben Hogan Company in Fort Worth, Texas from 1979 through 1983. He began his career in marketing with Brown & Williamson Tobacco Co.

Irv Holmes received his B.A. from Virginia Polytechnic Institute, graduating with honors in 1975. He received his M.B.A. from Duke University in 1977. He is a native of Tampa, Fla. He is married and resides in San Francisco. Irv participates as a volunteer in the Big Brother program and enjoys golf.

Del Monte Foods is an independent, privately held San Francisco based company marketing and manufacturing products under the Del Monte brand name.

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PHOENIX, AZ (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Three-Five Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:TFSY) has named James F. Bowser as senior vice president of sales and marketing and Frank A. Polimene as vice president of operations at the company's corporate headquarters in Phoenix, Ariz.

Boswer recently concluded his employment with National Computer Systems in Atlanta, Ga., where he held a variety of posts, most recently as vice president and general manager of a Financial Systems Business Unit.

In his new role at Three-Five, Bowser will be responsible for all domestic sales and marketing functions for the international manufacturer of user interface modules and optoelectronic display systems. His immediate efforts will focus on the development of a direct sales organization and further advancement of the company's customer service and support functions.

Bowser has a total of 26 years of management and technical experience in the computer and electronics industry. Previous experience includes serving as

vice president operations and vice president field operations for National Computer Systems.

He also served as manager of technical services for Apollo Computer, and vice president sales and operations for CAMAX Systems, a Minneapolis-based supplier of software to the CAD/CAM market. Bowser completed his BSEE degree at the University of Central Florida and his MBA at the College of St. Thomas.

Frank A. Polimene joins the firm as vice president of operations directly from Fawn Industries in Baltimore, Md., a custom manufacturer of electronic sub-assemblies. His 12 years at Fawn included serving as general manager and most recently as executive vice president of the electronics group for seven years. He also served previously as a design engineer for Xerox Corp.

As vice president of operations for Three-Five, Polimene will oversee the company's worldwide manufacturing and engineering functions. Polimene received his BSEE degree at Pennsylvania State in 1966. He also studied at the Rochester Institute of Technology and the University of Rochester.

The announcements closely follow Three-Five's acquisition of Electronic Research Associates, a Connecticut-based keyboard manufacturer, in May of this year. Company president and chief executive officer David R. Buchanan stated: ''The acquisition earned the company new international manufacturing operations as well as an expanded product line.

''The technical and managerial experience that Bowser and Polimene provide will guide us into the future and allow Three-Five to expand its position in the niche-market of user-interface modules.''

Three-Five Systems Inc. is an international manufacturer of custom integrated LCD and LED displays and keyboards as well as discrete optoelectronic components. The company maintains corporate headquarters in Phoenix; an Engineering Design Center in Winsted, Conn.; European headquarters in Swindon, England; and manufacturing facilities in Manila, the Philippines.

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DENVER (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Aspen Wind Inc. Tuesday reported an unaudited net profit of $44,580 on total revenues of $237,004 for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

For the six-month period ended Sept. 30, unaudited net profit was $114,799 on total revenues of $630,283.

Aspen Wind Inc. acquires, maintains and sells houseboats and undivided interests in houseboats destined for the nation's recreation and resort areas. The company also acquires, owns and operates existing marina properties, and intends to own and operate houseboat rental fleets at these marinas.

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DENVER (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Mountain Medical Equipment Inc. (AMEX:MTN) Tuesday reported a net loss of $421,000, or 13 cents per share, on revenues of $6,080,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares to net income of $423,000, or 13 cents per share, on revenues of $9,816,000 for the same period last year. For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $597,000, or 18 cents per share, on revenues of $12,697,000 compared to net income of $744,000, or 23 cents per share, on revenues of $18,414,000 for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

While revenues from the sale of concentrators declined by 50 percent for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to the same period the previous year sales of the company's nebulizers, including the ultrasonic medication nebulizer, MicroStat, continue to be strong, showing a 14 percent growth in revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, vs. the same period last year. Revenues from sales of the Avatar Personal Bowel Care System were insignificant during the quarter, however, in October the company introduced a model of Avatar designed for high-volume use by institutions.

Milton G. Adair, president and chief executive officer, noted: ''that at the end of the first quarter, while the market for oxygen concentrators continued to be extremely depressed, we were cautiously optimistic regarding the company's ability to show improved operating results throughout fiscal 1991, particularly as a result of increased market acceptance of MicroStat and Avatar. ''While market acceptance of these products has been encouraging, the market for oxygen continues to be extremely depressed and we believe it is unlikely we will see any significant growth in this product line in fiscal 1991.''

Adair further commented that: ''based on the operating results to date, it is unlikely we will be profitable for the year ending March 31, 1991...However, we are continuing our efforts to reduce costs and believe we soon will reach an agreement with our banks, which will include a plan to raise $3 million of additional capital, which should enable us to increase our focus on competitively meeting the needs of our marketplace.''

Mountain Medical is a leading supplier of oxygen concentrators and other

respiratory therapy equipment for the home health care market. Through its wholly owned subsidiary, Aegis Medical Inc., the company markets the Avatar Personal Bowel Care System, an innovative method of bowel management for institutional or home use.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Brooke Group Ltd. (NYSE:BGL) announced Tuesday the election of new officers, effective immediately.

The new officers, elected Nov. 17, 1990, are: Bennett S. LeBow was chairman, president and chief operating officer; Richard S. Ressler, vice chairman; Michael Rosenbaum, executive vice president; Jean E. Sharpe, executive vice president; John A. Sarto, vice president and chief financial officer.

Josiah Murray, was elected secretary effective Nov. 26, 1990.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - UtiliCorp United (NYSE:UCU) announced Tuesday that the Missouri Public Service division has filed a request with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to increase its wholesale electric rates by approximately $830,000 annually, or an average of 12.75 percent.

Under the request, the new rates would be effective on Jan. 15, 1991.

The increase is needed primarily to offset the costs of an ongoing project to rebuild the division's Sibley Generating Station. Increasing costs of purchased power capacity, required to meet greater customer demand, also have contributed to the need for more revenues.

The last wholesale rate increase occured in 1984. Rates were decreased by 3 percent in 1987 to offset beneficial impacts of the 1986 Tax Reform Act.

The rate action affects the Missouri communities of Odessa, Rich Hill, El Dorado Springs, Liberal, Pleasant Hill, Harrisonville, Gilman City and Galt. Those communities buy electricity wholesale from Missouri Public Service and distribute it over municipal systems. The FERC has jurisdiction over wholesale rate matters.

Missouri Public Service provides service to about 160,000 electric customers and 40,000 natural gas customers located in north-central and west-central Missouri. The service area includes much of the eastern and northern portions of the Greater Kansas City area.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides gas and electric service to 820,000 customers in eight states and the province of British Columbia. Its divisions are Missouri Public Service, Peoples Natural Gas, Michigan Gas Utilities, West Virginia Power, Northern Minnesota Utilities and Kansas Public Service. West Kootenay Power is a Canadian subsidiary. PSI and UtilCo Group are non-regulated subsidiaries specializing in energy and utility related enterprises.

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or
Missouri Public Service, Kansas City
Judy Ness, 816/737-9346.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Communications and Entertainment Corp. (NASDAQ:CECO/CECOA, ''ComEnt''), which merged Odyssey Entertainment Ltd. and Double Helix Films Inc. into wholly owned subsidiaries of the company, effective Sept. 7, 1990, Tuesday reported revenue of $716,390 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared with revenue of $1,682,208 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net loss for the 1990 three months was $412,543 vs. net income of $142,644 for the 1989 three months.

ComEnt, based in Los Angeles, is engaged primarily in licensing the distribution rights to high-quality American and foreign feature films in foreign markets through its Odyssey subsidiary. The Double Helix division is engaged primarily in licensing the distribution of low- and medium-budget films overseas.

CONTACT: Odyssey Entertainment Ltd., Los Angeles
Joan Adler, 213/655-9335

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CHICAGO (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - United Airlines announced today it has taken delivery of its first Boeing 737-500 aircraft.

The 737-500 is a slightly shortened version of the Boeing 737-300 and seats eight passengers in first class and 100 in coach. United will deploy this aircraft and three others to be delivered later this year on routes into and out of its hub airports at Denver and San Francisco.

''We are pleased to introduce the quiet, environmentally compatible 737-500 to our growing fleet of state-of-the-art aircraft,'' said Stephen M. Wolf, chairman and president. ''The 737-500 also features highly fuel-efficient engines that consume 20 percent less jet fuel than older generation Boeing 737-200s on comparable routings.''

By year's end, United's total operating fleet will reach an all-time high of 462 aircraft. The average age of United jets will be 12.20 years, down from 13.24 a year ago. The airline has a total of 556 new aircraft on firm order and option including a $22 billion order for Boeing 747-400s and Boeing 777s announced last month.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - BRE Properties Inc. (NYSE:BRE) reported net income of $3,218,000 (41 cents per share) for the company's first fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, compared with net income of $17,692,000 ($2.24 per share) in the like period a year ago.

In last year's first fiscal quarter, net income included a net gain on sales of investments totaling $10,434,000 ($1.32 per share) and the benefit of a litigation settlement amounting to $3,424,000 (43 cents per share).

Also, BRE Properties Tuesday declared a quarterly dividend of 60 cents per share, payable Dec. 20, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 3, 1990.

Funds from operations, the company's benchmark measure of performance, totaled $4,467,000 in the quarter, down from $4,900,000 in the first quarter last year.

Funds from operations in the most recent quarter were reduced by special expenses amounting to $621,000, primarily for the re-roofing and renovation of common areas at two apartment properties.

Total revenue for the first fiscal quarter was $10,075,000, compared with $13,448,000 (including a $3,424,000 litigation settlement) in the like quarter last year.

BRE's President and Chief Executive Officer, Arthur G. Von Thaden said: ''The

economy of California and its overall real estate picture remain fundamentally strong. Although the state is not immune from the effects of a national recession, it should continue to progress at a rate ahead of the nation.''

Von Thaden said: ''In any case, BRE is well-fortified to withstand a slowdown in the economy. The company has substantial liquidity and shareholders' equity in more than two times total liabilities. BRE is not highly leveraged and the majority of its properties have strong occupancy levels.''

He added that BRE was focusing sharply on selected vacancies. In the first quarter BRE wrote off the unamortized portion of tenant improvements at the vacant 54,000 square-foot Peppertree Warehouse facility in Hayward, Calif., adding $134,000 to depreciation.

BRE Properties is a real estate investment trust which invests primarily in apartments, shopping centers, light industrial, office and warehouse buildings in the Western United States.

Apartment properties represent more than one-half of the portfolio and shopping centers nearly one-quarter. About 70 percent of the company's properties are located in California and 26 percent are in the state of Washington.

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or
Healy & Company, San Francisco
Maury Healy, 415/546-6166

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ORANGE, CA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Linda D. Howell of Irvine has been elected vice president of corporate services for Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Services Inc. (J.A.M.S.), a leading private alternative dispute-resolution firm with headquarters in Orange.

Howell will assume responsibility for all MIS, training and development and administrative functions for J.A.M.S., effective immediately.

She most recently served as director of management information systems for J.A.M.S, in which position she inaugurated the organizational development function for the firm.

Her responsibilities have included designing, programming and documenting custom software to be used companywide for case setting, calendaring judges' time, invoicing, payment applications, collections, accounting and commission and management reporting.

J.A.M.S. offices are located throughout California and the Northwest, and Howell's functions have included coordinating the computer education, training and support for all the offices.

Prior to joining J.A.M.S., Howell was a consultant in the Management Information Consulting Division of Arthur Anderson & Company in Orange County and an associate instructor in the Department of Information and Computer Science, University of California, Irvine.

Howell earned a bachelor of science degree in information and computer science from UC Irvine, cum laude, and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

As the leader in private dispute resolution in the nation, J.A.M.S. has over 140 retired judges and justices on its panels in 13 offices throughout California, Oregon and Washington.

CONTACT: Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Services Inc., Orange
Ann Luke, 714/937-8204

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint will offer an unprecedented free calling program to thousands of military personnel in Saudi Arabia beginning over the Thanksgiving holiday.

For many of the troops in the forward lines, it will be the first opportunity to call home to family and friends. US Sprint expects to carry several thousand calls placed by military personnel directly back to the United States and into Sprint's all-digital fiber-optic network during the holiday period. US Sprint also is offering the free calls to Navy and Air Force personnel in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf.

''If our troops can't be home for Thanksgiving, at least many of them will be able to talk to their families and loved ones,'' said Ron LeMay, president of US Sprint. ''This is the most comprehensive, and rewarding, of all the special free holiday calling plans we've offered for the military over the past seven years.''

This program is an extension of US Sprint's ongoing calling effort with the Military Affiliates Radio System (MARS), which has offered free emergency and medical calling since the crisis began. This expansion to include free calling for front-line troops will extend through the end of the year.

The MARS program uses radio frequencies from ships and foreign countries back to amateur radio operators in the United States, who patch the calls onto the Sprint network. US Sprint has been offering free holiday calling over the

MARS system for seven years.

US Sprint's additional free communication programs supporting Desert Shield include Persian Gulf hourly news updates via facsimile to more than 30,000 callers, and several long distance and conference calling services for hostages returning to the United States, and their families.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

CONTACT: US Sprint, Kansas City
Janis Langley, 202/828-7427; after 7 p.m. 703/533-3322
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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Marathon Bancorp (OTC) Tuesday declared a 5 percent stock dividend payable on Dec. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 15, 1990.

The dividend marks the fifth consecutive year that the bank has paid a dividend. Total shares outstanding will increase on Dec. 28 to 1,189,559 shares from 1,132,913 shares.

''Providing a solid return to shareholders is an important goal at Marathon,'' explained president and chief executive officer J.F. ''Chip'' Morrow. ''A great many of our shareholders have held our stock since the bank was founded in 1983. The stock dividend is one way we can repay them and our newer shareholders for their continuing confidence.''

For the first nine months of 1990, the bank reported record earnings of $1,218,500, or $1 per share, a 56 percent improvement compared with the $773,200, or 64 cents per share, in the first nine months of 1989.

Assets increased to $148,398,900, by Sept. 30, 1990, from $123,439,200, on Sept. 30 a year earlier. Shareholders' equity rose to $11,554,400, or $10.20 per share, in the first nine months of 1990 compared with $9,737,500, or $8.60 per share, on Sept. 30, 1989.

Morrow also noted that Marathon National Bank, the wholly owned subsidiary of Marathon Bancorp, located on the Los Angeles Westside, is one of the small number of independent California banks receiving the highest quality rating from bank analysts such as the Findley Report and Veribanc.

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or
Financial Relations Board, Sherman Oaks
William F. Coffin, 818/783-2400

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CHICAGO (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - From Dec. 16, 1990, through Jan. 4, 1991, Hyatt will offer weekend rates for weekday stays at nearly 100 Hyatt hotels when booked in conjunction with a Friday or Sunday night.

Ninety-two Hyatt hotels in the United States and Canada will offer the special rates, which start as low as $59. Hyatt resorts are not participating in the offer.

The special rates do not require advance booking, but the rates will be offered on a space available basis. The offer will not be available on New Year's Eve.

There are 163 Hyatt hotels and resorts around the world. Hyatt Hotels Corp. operates 92 hotels and 17 resorts in the United States, Canada and the Caribbean. Hyatt International, a separate company, and its subsidiaries operate 35 hotels and 19 resorts in 28 countries. For individuals and groups, Hyatt Worldwide Reservations can be reached at 800/233-1234.

CONTACT: Hyatt Hotels Corp., Chicago
Carrie Reckert or Susan Stoga, 312/750-8108/8069

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#90324b0187 11/20/1990 ~Business Wire

RANCHO MIRAGE, CA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - American Toxxic Control Inc. and Global Environmental Corp. Tuesday announced that they have entered into an agreement in principle whereby American Toxxic Control Inc. would acquire all the outstanding shares of Global Environmental Corp. in an exchange of stock.

According to the agreement in principle, American Toxxic Control will issue 14 shares of its common stock for each share of Global Environmental Corp. common stock. The agreement in principle is subject to due diligence by both parties the execution of an definitive acquisition agreement and the receipt of the necessary board of directors and shareholder consents.

American Toxxic Control Inc. stock is traded on the NASDAQ system in the over-the-counter market with the symbol ATCX.

Global Environmental Corp. stock is traded on the NASDAQ system in the over-the-counter market with the symbol GLEN.

CONTACT: American Toxxic Control Inc., Rancho Mirage
Richard J. Heckmann, 619/340-0098

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HOUSTON (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Mesa Offshore Trust (NYSE:MOS) announced the trust income distribution for the month of November 1990.

Unitholders of record on Nov. 30 will receive a distribution amounting to $485,281.43, or $.006742 per unit, payable on Jan. 31.

CONTACT: Texas Commerce Bank, Houston
Nancy Pugsley, 713/236-6369

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HOUSTON (NOV. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Mesa Royalty Trust (NYSE:MTR) announced the trust income distribution for the month of November 1990.

Unitholders of record on Nov. 30 will receive a distribution amounting to $342,159.49, or $.183602 per unit, payable on Jan. 31.

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Nancy Pugsley, 713/236-6369

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DALLAS (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Oryx Energy Co. (NYSE:ORX) announced Tuesday that it was advised by The Glenmede Trust Co. that due to the current price for Oryx common stock Glenmede has decided not to proceed at this time with its secondary offering of 7,259,394 shares of Oryx held in charitable fiduciary accounts.

Dallas-based Oryx Energy is the largest independent oil and gas producer in the world, with assets in excess of $5 billion and proved oil and gas reserves of more than 1 billion equivalent barrels. Oryx Energy trades on the New York Stock Exchange with the symbol ORX.

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John O'Keefe, 214/890-6565

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EAST HANOVER, NJ (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The Ultimate Corp. (NYSE:ULT) said Tuesday that its board of directors has amended the company's Shareholder Rights Plan, adopted April 11, 1990, and amended previously on Oct. 25, 1990.

The board's amendment, made at the request of a large shareholder, will allow the accumulation of up to 25 percent of the company's common shares by a beneficial owner before the rights under the Plan become exercisable.

The board's action does not affect any other provision of the Plan, which continues to specify that a tender or exchange offer for 20 percent or more of the company's shares will trigger the exercisability of the rights.

In commenting, Ultimate Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Michael J. O'Donnell said: ''The Plan is intended to protect shareholders by encouraging a potential acquiror to negotiate with the company's board. It has never been intended to discourage investors.

''The board believes that, under today's market conditions, this Plan, as modified, adequately protects shareholders' equity investment from unfair or coercive bidding tactics.''

Ultimate provides total business solutions, system maintenance services and a variety of consulting services to companies across a range of vertical markets. The company's principal product lines include system-level software and applications software integrated on hardware platforms from premier computer vendors such as IBM, Hewlett-Packard, Bull HN and Sequoia Systems.

In addition to its North American operations, Ultimate has subsidiaries in France, the United Kingdom and Australia.

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or
South Coast Group, Tustin, Calif.
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HOUSTON (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Tenneco Inc. Tuesday announced that its Kern River Gas Transmission Co. has awarded contracts to six construction companies to build its 904-mile pipeline from southwestern Wyoming to near Bakersfield, Calif.

Construction will begin in December in southern Utah on spreads five and six of the eight-spread project. Associated Pipeline Contractors of Houston, and the H.B. Zachry Co. of San Antonio won these contracts.

Other contractors awarded work were the Hood Corp. of Whittier, Calif.; Gregory & Cook of Houston; ARB Inc. of Bakersfield, Calif.; and Sheehan Pipeline Construction Co. of Tulsa, Okla.

Earlier this month, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) approved Kern River's contracts with shippers.

The company has received final re-confirmation of shipper volumes in excess of 600 million cubic feet per day (MMcfd). Contractual commitments with shippers on the remaining firm volumes of the 700 MMcfd initial capacity of the system are expected to be completed shortly.

Kern River has directed steel mills to begin making plate and rolling pipe, with on-site deliveries slated for December to coincide with the start of construction. Gas is expected to flow on Jan. 1, 1992.

Kern River is a joint venture between units of Tenneco Inc. and The Williams Companies Inc.

Tenneco Inc. (NYSE symbol: TGT) is a Houston-based diversified company with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, shipbuilding, automotive parts, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

The Williams Companies Inc. (NYSE symbol: WMB) is a Tulsa-based corporation that operates a nationwide digital communications network and more than 25,000 miles of pipelines, which transport natural gas and petroleum products.

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Neil Nixon, 713/757-3325

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Pacific Tuesday announced a reorganization of its California Retail Bank. The realignment will affect over 650 retail branches and several support units throughout the state.

According to Liam McGee, Executive Vice President heading the Retail Bank, ''Our branches have been segmented using natural geographic boundaries and the key element of market potential. We've also added a new level of focus on high-growth market areas. And we've positioned strong, experienced managers throughout the state to provide hands-on, on-site management in each key market.''

The Retail Bank Branch System has been realigned into the following four divisions:

Greater Los Angeles Division is managed by Executive Vice President Darell Choate, who oversees six LA-Metro regions, as well as the Los Padres Market (San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Ventura counties), headed by Senior Vice President Angela Veale.

Southcoast-Inland Division is managed by Executive Vice President Richard Davis, who oversees seven regions in Orange County and the Inland Empire, as well as the new Central Valley Market, headed by Jim Cimino, today named Senior Vice President.

Northern California Division is managed by Ole Larsen, who today was named Executive Vice President. Ole oversees five Northern California regions, as well as Sacramento's Capitol Market, headed by Linda Pera, who was today named Senior Vice President.

San Diego Division's two regions are managed by Senior Vice President Doug Sawyer, who joins Security Pacific today from San Diego-based Great American Bank, where he was Retail Banking Division Manager for that company's California branch system.

To provide maximum support for the restructured branch system, the Retail Bank staff support functions have also been realigned.

Barbara Fallon-Walsh today was named Executive Vice President in charge of Sales & Branch Support, which includes deposit products, advertising, marketing and other sales and customer service activities in support of the Retail Bank.

A newly-aligned Consumer Credit Group is headed by Executive Vice President Scott McAfee, and includes the California Residential Real Estate and Consumer Loan divisions.

Security Pacific National Bank is the principal subsidiary of Security Pacific Corp., the fifth-largest bank holding company in the United States, with $88 billion in assets.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - BMA Corporation (BMAC), announced Tuesday that both BMAC and Home Office Reference Laboratory, Inc. (HORL), a laboratory testing subsidiary, each purchased 440,800 shares of HORL common stock from a single seller in a private transaction.

The total of 881,600 shares represents 6.6 percent of the shares outstanding.

As the result of the purchases, BMAC now owns 75 percent of the outstanding shares of HORL common stock.

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Alex Matthews, 816/753-5422

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LENEXA, KAN (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Office Reference Laboratory Inc. (HORL) announced Tuesday that both it and BMA Corp. (BMAC), its parent corporation, each purchased 440,800 shares of HORL common stock from a single seller in a private transaction.

The total of 881,600 shares represents 6.6 percent of the shares outstanding. As the result of the purchases, BMAC now owns 75 percent of the outstanding shares of HORL common stock.

CONTACT: Home Office Reference Laboratory Inc., Lenexa, Gregg Sadler, 913/888-8397

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Ralphs Grocery Co. Tuesday announced third-quarter results.

Net sales for the third quarter (12 weeks ended Oct. 7, 1990) were $623.5 million, and for the first three quarters of 1990 were $1,867.1 million representing increases in sales of 7.9 percent and 7.4 percent respectively, from the same periods last year. Total comparable store sales increased 3.7 percent for the third quarter and 3.3 percent in the first three quarters of the year.

Operating cash flow for the third quarter was $44.4 million, a rate of 7.1 percent of sales and $142.7 million, a rate of 7.6 percent of sales for the year-to-date. Operating cash flow is defined as earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, equity appreciation rights and adjustments for the last-in first-out inventory valuation.

Byron Allumbaugh, Ralphs chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''Our performance continues to be outstanding. We look forward to Ralphs' 117th holiday season with high expectations for strong sales and cash flow.''

Ralphs Grocery operates 147 supermarkets in Southern California.

Further financial information is provided in the table of Summary of Financial Results and the company's form 10-Q filed Tuesday with the Securities and

Exchange Commission.

CONTACT: Ralphs Grocery Co., Los Angeles, Jan Charles Gray, 213/637-7791 (media) or Alan J. Reed, 213/605-4516 (investor)

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DFW AIRPORT, TEXAS (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - American Airlines Tuesday announced it will create a new West Coast gateway to Japan on March 2, 1991, when it inaugurates non-stop service between its San Jose hub and Tokyo.

American will serve the route with the first of its new long-range McDonnell Douglas MD-11 aircraft.

Also on March 2, American will begin non-stop service between San Jose and Boston. The same MD-11 airplanes that fly the new Tokyo route also will operate to and from Boston, thus providing a one-stop, same-airplane service between Boston and Japan.

The new flights will mark the first time in American's history that it has recorded a triple inaugural -- a new international route, a new domestic route and a new aircraft in international service -- all on the same day.

''We are delighted to be creating this new West Coast gateway to the Pacific '' said Jospeh J. D'Ambrosio, American's western division vice president. ''Japan is one of the largest and most important aviation markets in the world and the new flights to Tokyo will be a major step forward in making San Jose an important West Coast gateway for travel and shipping in the Pacific.''

The Tokyo service also underscores the strong development of the San Jose hub and its ability to support long-haul, international flights, D'Ambrosio said.

The new 245-seat MD-11s American will use on the route will be delivered to American in January and will be outfitted promptly for service in the Pacific. American has ordered a total 15 MD-11s, with options for 35 more. Five of the airplanes will be delivered to American in 1991.

The MD-11 will fly in a three-cabin configuration that includes 16 sleeper seats in first class, 66 seats in business class, and 163 seats in economy class.

American's in-flight services between San Jose and Tokyo will feature the airline's new International Flagship Service, which includes newly designed in first class and business class, an elaborate meal and beverage service, and new in-flight entertainment systems.

CONTACT: American Airlines, Al Becker, 817/967-1577

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FOSTER CITY, CALIF (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Blyth Holdings Inc. (the ''company'') announced that it had a net loss of $128,154 as compared to a net profit of $155,683 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $964,969 as compared to $970,294 for the like quarter in fiscal 1990. The results for the quarter were negatively impacted by significantly higher expenses relating to the consulting and training costs for the company's systems integration business.

In addition, the company incurred higher marketing, sales, advertising and tradeshow expenditures in an effort to increase sales of software, consulting and training. The financial results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 included insurance proceeds from the death of the company's founder during the second quarter of fiscal 1991.

Without giving effect to such insurance proceeds, the company's net loss would have been $673,804.

A. Brean Murray, president and chief executive officer of the company commented: ''During the first two quarters of fiscal 1991, the company has stepped up its efforts to make the corporate 1000 marketplace aware of the capabilities of the Omnis family of products and to provide this marketplace with the services necessary to assist in implementing these capabilities.

''The additional working capital received during the second quarter, including the infusion of $1,890,000 from the company's private equity financing, will allow the company to continue its aggressive marketing efforts and to provide the necessary professional services to its corporate customers.

''The company believes that these efforts will begin to have a positive impact on the company's revenues in the future.''

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MILPITAS, CALIF. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - System Industries Inc. (AMEX:SYI) Tuesday announced revenues of $23,883,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Oct. 20, 1990, an increase of $25,000 from the $23,858,000 reported in the comparable quarter of fiscal 1990.

For the first quarter, the company posted a net loss of $253,000 (5 cents per

share primary and fully diluted) vs. a net loss of $705,000, for the comparable period in fiscal 1990 (13 cents per share primary and fully diluted).

''The company anticipated strong competitive pricing pressures to continue in our North American sales, but the industry-wide slowdown in shipments further adversely affected the company's operating results,'' said Andrew D. Wahl, vice president of finance and chief financial officer.

He added, ''However, we believe that the company's results indicate substantial improvement in the company's ability to maintain margins and control expenses in a difficult marketplace. In the next quarter, new product introductions, cost improvements, and continuing focus on expense controls should result in increased revenues. First quarter results were favorably affected by the reversal of approximately $650,000 of restructuring revenues which were no longer considered necessary.''

The first quarter was highlighted by the introduction of the Rx Series Relational Accelerator. This strategically significant product continues System Industries focus on highly differentiated products that address specific customer problems and that require solution selling and field maintenance.

An outgrowth of a strategic partnership with Charles River Data Systems of Framingham, Mass., the Rx Series offers very effective cost and performance advantages for processing of the ORACLE relational database management system. It is essentially a peripheral system that plugs into Digital Equipment Corp. VAX computers and takes over a portion of the ORACLE processing load. This increases performance, enables customers to add more online users, and frees the host VAX computer for other tasks. The ORACLE RDBMS is the leading database system in the VAX market with about 42 percent of the installed RDBMS base.

Founded in 1968, System Industries provides innovative data storage subsystems integrated with comprehensive supporting services for the DEC operating environment. System Industries' corporate headquarters are located at 1855 Barber Lane, Milpitas, Calif. 95035.

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MILPITAS, CA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Plus Development, a wholly owned subsidiary of Quantum Corp. (OTC:QNTM), Tuesday announced the acquisition of La Cie Ltd., a leading direct marketer of external hard disk drives for Apple Macintosh computers.

Plus acquired the Tualatin, Ore.-based company for $3.8 million in cash.

La Cie's current products include the Zero Foot Print, Cirrus and Tsunami hard disk drives as well as the award-winning Silverlining disk utility software program.

These products are marketed exclusively to end-users through direct response advertising and an 800 telephone line. La Cie will continue to operate as an independent entity and will remain in Tualatin.

Plus Development is a leading supplier of a wide range of personal computer mass storage solutions for the retail and value-added reseller (VAR) markets. The company pioneered the hard-disk-on-a-card technology with its original Hardcard product line which now includes the 8-bit Hardcard 20 and 40 and the 16-bit Hardcard II and Hardcard II XL families.

In addition, Plus offers the Plus Impulse AT Series and SCSI Series of fixed disk drives for high-performance applications, and the Plus Passport line of removable hard disk drives. The company's products are sold through a worldwide network of leading computer retailing outlets, value-added resellers and systems integrators.

Based in Milpitas, Plus Development is a wholly owned subsidiary of Quantum Corp., a leading manufacturer of hard disk drives for personal computers and workstations for the original equipment manufacturer market.

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Copithorne & Bellows, Mountain View
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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - ECC Group plc (NASDAQ:ECLAY), announced Tuesday profit before exceptional items for the twelve months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were 118.4 million pounds ($221.8 million) compared to 153.0 million pounds ($286.6 million) in the twelve month period ending Sept. 30, 1989.

Sales were 1,002.0 million pounds ($1,877.2 million) compared to 982.2 million pounds ($1,840.2 million) in the prior year. The financial information contained herein is presented in accordance with U.K. GAAP.

Pre-tax earnings for the twelve months ended Sept. 30, 1990, after an exceptional expense of 32.0 million pounds ($59.9 million) related to employment reductions and rationalization costs, were 86.4 million pounds

($161.9 million) compared to 150.6 million pounds ($282.1 million) in the prior year.

Net income was 44.9 million pounds ($84.1 million) compared to 96.5 million pounds ($180.8 million) in fiscal year 1989. Earnings per American Depositary Share (one ADS equals three ordinary shares) were 60.21 pence ($1.13) compared to 134.73 pence ($2.52) in fiscal 1989.

The board of directors declared a second gross interim dividend of 17.33 pence (51.99 pence per American Depositary Share) in September. This brings a total of 26.13 pence (78.39 pence per American Depositary Share) paid out in two interim dividend payments, which is equal to the total gross dividend payment of last year. The second interim dividend will be paid in December, 1990, some four months earlier than last year's final dividend.

As previously reported, the company is in the process of changing its year end from Sept. 30 to Dec. 31. Final results for the fifteen months to Dec. 31, 1990, will be announced in March 1991. The board expects to declare a final gross dividend of 6.53 pence for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1990, which is the annualized rate of 26.13 pence already declared for the year ending Sept. 30, 1990, for payment in June 1991. (a) Major Restructuring Program

The company is taking a number of steps to improve profitability of its industrial minerals business without sacrificing long-term growth. As part of this process, U.K. employment levels will be reduced by some 1,250 jobs, which is about 10 percent of the total company workforce.

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SANTA BARBARA, CA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Computer Communications and Ungermann-Bass (Santa Clara) Tuesday announced they have signed marketing and technology agreements.

The agreements mark a commitment to provide Ungermann-Bass customers with an internetworking solution that complements its existing product line.

The two companies will work together to integrate ACC's multiprotocol bridge/router technology with Ungermann-Bass' Access/One intelligent wiring hub. The accord also establishes a multimillion-dollar purchasing agreement for new and existing ACC bridge/router products.

Since its incorporation in 1975, ACC has been developing and manufacturing data communications hardware and software products that focus on customer needs. Its internetworking products were introduced in 1988. Since that time

ACC has become a market leader in the remote bridge/router and network management arena.

Worldwide, ACC products are connecting local and wide-area networks in government and commercial industries.

Founded in 1979, Ungermann-Bass pioneered enterprise networking -- the sharing of data resources among dissimilar computer systems throughout an organization. Ungermann-Bass is a leading international designer and manufacturer of networking hardware and software data communications systems.

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LOWELL, MA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - TIL Systems Tuesday announced that it has been awarded a multi-million dollar contract by EDS (Electronic Data Systems Corp.) for their Out-dial products.

The total contract worth approximately $10 million was granted to EDS by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). ''Through our continuing research into advanced data communications technology, we have been able to develop and refine an extremely cost-effective alternative to dedicated leased lines.

''This highly focused technical drive has been instrumental in securing this major government contract and is indicative of the growing demand for error-free, inexpensive data communications solutions,'' said Paul Hyde, TIL's senior vice president of marketing and sales.

TIL's Emucom products will replace USDA's manual dial modems. The Emucom product line provides a low cost method to transparently use dial-up telephone lines for data transmission across X.25 wide area networks. It presents a ''leased line'' appearance to the X.25 devices.

FastComm Inc. of Reston, Va., a major supplier to TIL, contributed the V.32 modem technology incorporated in the Out-dial product. Further this Out-dial technology is fully complian twith CCITT V.32 and X.32 recommendation.

''This represents the largest X.32 procurement in the world. TIL working closely with EDS and FastComm successfully met the challenge of providing the benefits of X.25 coupled with the simplicity and cost effectiveness of dial communications,'' said Mark Ustik, TIL's general manager of U.S. operations.

TIL, with U.S. headquarters in Lowell, Mass., a subsidiary of TIL Systems Limited of Toronto, Canada, is a significant supplier of X.25 network access hardware and software for high-performance, low-cost data communications. The company's products are installed in over 220 cities in 14 countries.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Charles Magowan, president and chief executive officer of Aquatech Systems Inc. (VcSE:AQU), announced Tuesday that the Lower Elwha Klallam Indian Tribe located on Puget Sound in Washington has passed a series of resolutions whereby the Tribe will engage Aquatech to supervise the design, construction and operation of a 500-metric-ton capacity land-based fish farm on their reservation.

The total cost of the Atlantic Salmon rearing facility is expected to be approximately $3.8 million (US DLRS).

A series of contracts will be signed which will involve royalty payments to Aquatech for the transfer of its technology for this specific project, in addition to compensation for management, training, and marketing assistance. It is contemplated that the salmon will be sold under Aquatech's Nordic Light trademark.

Fresh and smoked salmon are currently sold in the United States and Europe under this brand name.

Construction of the facility is expected to begin in the summer of 1991 with completion early in 1992. Stocking is anticipated to begin shortly thereafter with fish available for delivery in 15 to 20 months. Payments for the project will commence in the first quarter of 1991.

Magowan noted that this agreement culminates months of evaluating 22 separate opportunities for development of land-based fish farms on Indian reservations. ''Although this is the first in North America, we fully expect to be retained by other U.S. tribes for similar facilities,'' he said.

Aquatech Systems is a vertically integrated aquaculture company organized to design, construct and manage computerized, high-density fish farms and hatcheries. Aquatech processes and sells its own fish under the brand name Nordic Light. Aquatech Systems expects to be listed on NASDAQ early in 1991.

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DENVER (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Mark E. Jones III, chairman and chief executive officer of Crown Resources Corp., Tuesday announced the appointment of Christopher E. Herald as president of Crown.

Herald joined Crown in 1987 as vice president of exploration and was promoted to executive vice president in February of 1990. During his three and a half years with Crown he has assembled a highly successful exploration team which has identified and acquired an outstanding portfolio of high-potential gold exploration properties in major mining districts throughout western North America.

Crown's gold reserves during this period have increased 1,200 percent to over 1.2 million ounces primarily due to the acquisition and discovery of the Crown Jewel orebody in northeastern Washington.

A graduate of the University of Notre Dame, Herald also has an M.Sc. in geologic engineering from the Colorado School of Mines. Before joining Crown he was a senior exploration geologist with two major mining companies.

Jones, in congratulating Chris, remarked that his appointment ''reflects the contribution Chris has made to Crown's success to date and emphasizes our commitment to continued growth through exploration. Chris will continue to direct Crown's aggressive exploration program.''

Crown Resources Corp. is a rapidly growing domestic gold exploration company with 1990 gold production estimated at over 25,000 ounces. Crown is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the trading symbol CRRS and on the Vancouver Stock Exchange under the symbol CRO.

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SPARTA, NJ (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Laser Recording Systems, Inc. (''LRS'') (NASDAQ:LRSI (common stock), LRSIW (warrants) LRSIU (units); Boston Stock Exchange:LRSU) Tuesday announced that it has been awarded the largest single contract award in its history from Schering-Plough Corporation's Research Division.

Under the terms of the contract, LRS will provide Schering-Plough with a turnkey document management system designed to convert to digital form and index the massive documentation stemming from multi-year clinical human trials. Before a pharmaceutical company makes a new drug application (NDA) to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, it must conduct human clinical trials on thousands of subjects, across the globe, over many years. The data accumulated is not only voluminous, but in many different formats, from handwritten ledgers to text-base systems initiated on a wide variety of non-compatible computer systems. The LRS system, which will run on Schering-Plough's existing Digital Equipment Corporation DECnet local area network, will incorporate VAX-based optical disk jukeboxes, DOS-based image workstations and customized software.

Carver Washburn, President of Laser Recording Systems, commented, ''Beyond its dollar value, this contract is of particular significance to us. For one, it is our first contract for a turnkey system designed to support the clinical trial stage of new drug development. Moreover, we beat out several important competitors. We believe that our reputation within the pharmaceutical industry, due primarily to our ONDA system which allows FDA reviewers and pharmaceutical company personnel to easily navigate through the entire NDA on a desktop size system, played an important role in getting this major project. This contract award has also helped to strengthen our relationship with DEC. Finally, we are naturally pleased by the increase in our backlog that this contract produced and the new revenues it will generate.''

Laser Recording Systems, Inc. offers an integrated optical disk-based systems solution to the pharmaceutical industry and other market niches through the application of proprietary software, data base management, local area networking and optical disk technologies.

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BLUE BELL, PA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - GAMXX Energy Inc., the owner of the Theodore, Ala. refinery formerly owned by Marion Corp., announced that its plan of reorganization was confirmed by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania on Nov. 13.

The reorganization of GAMXX was funded by Castle Energy Corp. which has an interest in the refinery. Castle (NASDAQ: CECX) is an independent energy

company heaquartered in Blue Bell, Pa., with exploration and production offices in Pittsburgh and Tulsa, Okla. and a refinery in Lawrenceville, Ill.

GAMXX plans to restart the 26,500-barrel per day refinery in the first quarter of 1991. It will operate primarily as a supplier of military jet fuel and diesel fuel and will also make gasoline which will be available to the local market.

Feedstock for the refinery will initially consist of primarily foreign crudes, supplemented by as much Alabama and other domestic crudes as the company can reasonably acquire.

Ernest B. Hardy, CEO and majority shareholder, noted that, as part of its reorganization, the name of the company would be changed to AAI Refining and Marketing Co. Inc.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Xsirius Inc. (NASDAQ:XSIR) Tuesday announced an increase of over 159 percent in research contract revenues for fiscal 1991 by virtue of a contract extension from the National Institutes of Health and the awarding of two contracts from NASA, totalling $1,436,000.

These contracts are multiyear in nature and bring the total Xsirius research contract revenue base to approximately $3 million for the terms of the contracts.

The National Institutes of Health contract extension involves continued development of mercuric iodide array detectors that will greatly enhance scientists' ability to obtain direct information on the structural composition of proteins and enzymes, and the mechanisms by which they perform at the molecular level.

The company is collaborating on this project with the Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Laboratories.

The NASA contracts will develop instruments that will perform chemical analysis of samples from planetary missions and detectors for the measurement of solar-excited radiation from planetary bodies without gaseous atmospheres.

The technologies being developed pursuant to these research projects have been targeted by Xsirius as having significant potential for commercial applications in medical and industrial instrumentation.

Xsirius Inc., based in Los Angeles, is dedicated to identifying and developing advanced core technologies with significant commercial applicability in fields as diverse as medicine, communications and space exploration.

These technologies are brought to market by separate Xsirius subsidiaries, such as Xsirius Photonics and Xsirius Superconductivity. Xsirius has achieved financial self-sufficiency through its many outside research contracts with industry and agencies of the U.S. government.

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IRVINE, CA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Logic Research Inc. (NASDAQ:AALR) Tuesday announced record revenue of $172.0 million for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 and $50.2 million for the fourth quarter.

This compares to revenue of $73.1 million for fiscal year 1989 and $26.0 million for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Net income was $11.5 million ($1.38 per share) for fiscal 1990, compared to $2.8 million ($.41 per share) for the same period last year. Net income for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 was $2.7 million ($.27 per share), compared to $625,000 ($.09 per share) for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

ALR's revenue increased 135 percent in fiscal 1990 over fiscal 1989. Revenue from international sales of the company's products increased over 250 percent in fiscal 1990 from the prior year, accounting for 33 percent of total revenue in fiscal 1990.

ALR has developed key new fileserver products with the launch of ALR's POWERPRO, the first server on the market that is compatible with the Compaq SYSTEMPRO. ALR POWERPRO features dual 33Mhz i486 along with disk array technology.

Founded in 1984, Advanced Logic Research Inc. is a leader in personal computer technology. The company's products cover a broad range of performance and functionality, incorporating all three of the industry bus standards -- EISA, ISA and MCA -- as well as supporting the three industry operating systems -- MS-DOS, UNIX and OS/2.

The company markets its products through a worldwide network of distributors and resellers.

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SCHENECTADY, NY (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - GE Power Generation announced Tuesday that it has signed a $34.5 million contract with the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) for a two-year program to inspect and repair 44 of the utility's GE Frame 5 and Frame 7 gas turbines, capable of supplying more than 2,000 megawatts to TVA's system to meet peak power demands.

GE will also replace Mark I controls on the gas turbines with new Simplex control panels.

The contract calls for GE to inspect the gas turbines and make reliability and availability improvements by installing new hot gas and combustion parts, controls and other components as needed. The program includes 16 GE MS5001Ns, each rated at 21 megawatts, and 28 GE MS7001Bs each rated at 60 megawatts, located at TVA's new Johnsonville, Colbert and Allen power stations.

Utility industry reports indicate that within the next five years 25 percent of the U.S. power plants now operating will be nearing the end of their expected useful lives. As a result, many of those power plants have undergone or will undergo some type of life extension through upgrades, refurbishments or repowering.

Based on average U.S. usage, 2,000 megawatts is enough power to meet the needs of approximately 1.4 million people, roughly the size of the Milwaukee metropolitan area.

Some of the units included in the program have been in service as long as 20 years. TVA wants to complete the renovation program in time for its 1992 summer peak season.

GE is the world's leading manufacturer and supplier of power generation systems and services, including steam turbines, gas turbines, generators, controls, STAG combined-cycle systems, cogeneration power equipment and a variety of uprate, upgrade and power plant maintenance programs. Through a subsidiary component, GE Environmental Systems, GE provides flue gas desulfurization and other air purification systems.

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RIVERSIDE, CA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Rastra Building Systems Inc., Riverside, (NASDAQ:RAST), has completed two southwest stores for McDonald's Corp. and is in discussions with managers of other regions who are looking to use the patented RASTRA material and process for other McDonald's facilities.

The Rastra material, developed in Austria in 1968 and currently being manufactured in eight countries around the world, grinds recycled polystyrene into small beads, coats the beads with a cementious ''skin'' and then forms the coated beads into a long cinder-block-like construction element.

The result is an exceptionally strong, fire-resistant wall or ceiling material that also provides high insulation value and excellent soundproofing.

In addition to the McDonald's contracts, RASTRA announced this week the approval of the RASTRA product for use in the construction of an 82-room motel in Bentonville, Ark. Start date is Dec. 1, 1990.

Mitsubishi Cement Co. also ordered the RASTRA material for the construction of an addition to their office building at Bear Valley and they have asked that the RASTRA product be considered in bids for two completely new office buildings at other locations. The Bear Valley project began on Nov. 12 and is expected to be completed in early January 1991.

Near Scottsdale, Ariz., the Pima Maricopa Indian Community has begun construction of their new 60,000 square foot, three-story court house using the RASTRA product and has placed orders for additional product for use in the construction of shops, storage and other facilities.

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COLUMBUS, OH (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Goal Systems International Inc. (NASDAQ:GOAL) Tuesday announced unaudited results for its quarter and nine months ended Oct. 31.

Revenue for the quarter was $28.0 million, a 42 percent increase over $19.7 million for the like quarter last year. Net income for the quarter was $2.4 million, a 21 percent increase over $2.0 million for the like quarter last year. Earnings per share were 12 cents, compared to 10 cents in the prior year's quarter.

For the nine months, revenue increased by 39 percent to $77.2 million from $55.5 million a year ago. One-time merger and acquisition-related expenses of $5.2 million (or 20 cents per share) in the first quarter adversely affected net income for the period of $2.3 million, or 12 cents per share, vs. $4.7

million, or 26 cents per share, a year ago. Without the one-time expenses, net income for the nine months would have been $6.0 million, or 31 cents per share.

All prior year numbers have been restated to reflect poolings of interest from two acquisitions completed in the first quarter of this year.

Revenue growth was led by the domestic Data Center Management (DCM) Division and international operations which both experienced a more than 50 percent increase over the like quarter a year ago. Information Technology Division (ITD) revenue increased only 6 percent over the like quarter last year due in part to a lengthening of the sales cycle.

''Our impressive overall results were fueled by significant increases in revenue from recently acquired products, as well as continuing strength in our core DCM business,'' said Goal Systems President and CEO David C. Wetmore. ''We are very pleased to see such strong market acceptance of our entire DCM product line.''

Goal Systems designs, develops and markets software products grouped into two business units. The Data Center Management Division consists of a broad range of systems software products for IBM and compatible mainframe computers which allow users to manage, automate, monitor and analyze the use, cost and performance of their data processing resources. The Information Technology Division product line consists of performance support systems including computer-based training and computer-based reference systems, along with associated courseware and professional services.

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MARKHAM, Ontario (NOV. 20) BIZ WIRE - Stephen J. Sadler, president and chief executive officer of Geac Computer Corp. Ltd., announced that the acquisition of the New Zealand-based Fact International Ltd. as announced on Sept. 10, has been completed.

Geac Computer Corp. Ltd. acquired all of the issued and outstanding shares of Fact International Ltd. The aggregate consideration payable by Geac for the shares of Fact International Ltd. was approximately US$1.0 million payable partly in cash and partly by the issue of Geac shares.

The acquisition of Fact is integral to Geac's strategy of becoming a major player in the world manufacturing systems market. Said Sadler, ''The great hope we saw in Fact was it has products Geac could work on through its global infrastructure.''

Joining Geac from New Zealand are: A. J. Blackham, formerly Managing Director of Fact International and now senior vice president of the new Fact Division; and Greg E. Cross, as director of Corporation Marketing for the Fact Division.

Founded in 1978, Fact International Ltd. is a major international supplier of integrated management control systems for manufacturing, distribution and financial accounting applications. Fact has over 350 accounts worldwide with the majority in the Australasia region and with revenues of approximately Cdn$10.0 million.

Geac Computer Corp. Ltd. is a world leader in the design, integration and manufacture of computer solutions, serving several vertical markets worldwide with revenues of over $80 million.

Founded in 1971, Geac has development centres in Canada, the United States, the UK and France. Its world headquarters are in Markham, Ontario, Canada. Geac is a publicly traded company listed on The Toronto Stock Exchange (Symbol:GAC).

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PURCHASE, NY and MEMPHIS, TN (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM and Check Consultants, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of First Tennessee National Corporation, Tuesday announced an agreement, pending bank regulatory approval, to form a general partnership to provide integrated check processing solutions to customers in the financial services industry.

The partnership will be called Check Solutions Company, and will develop and market check and check image application software and services for use by banks and other financial institutions.

The partnership initially will have customer offerings in four major lines of business: -- Application Software: developing new, and enhancing existing, check and check imaging software based on IBM's Check Processing Control System (CPCS) for IBM's 389X/XP family of reader sorters; -- Implementation Services: helping customers upgrade their existing check applications to the latest system release and assisting in the implementation of check imaging; -- Software Maintenance: supporting ongoing releases of new and existing check processing applications; -- Education: technical end-user education offerings

in check and check imaging applications.

''Check Solutions represents a significant foundation on which two premier companies are combining their strengths to deliver unmatched check processing products and services to the marketplace,'' said John C. Kelley, Jr., executive vice president of First Tennessee.

Ownership of Check Solutions will be shared by IBM and First Tennessee. Further details of the partnership agreement were not disclosed.

The partnership will establish its headquarters in Memphis, Tennessee, with a facility to be opened in Charlotte, North Carolina. Check Solutions will begin operations on January 1, 1991.

Check Consultants, Inc., with expertise and proven offerings in check processing and software, will form the foundation of Check Solutions.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Dayton Hudson Corporation today reported higher operating profit and lower earnings in the third quarter ended November 3, 1990. The corporation also announced a $1 billion capital spending plan for 1991.

Operating profit rose slightly from the record 1989 third quarter, while nine-month 1990 operating profit was 12 percent ahead of last year.

Net earnings for the third quarter declined to $58 million compared with $64 million last year due to the impact of the ESOP and the acquisition of Marshall Field's.

Fully diluted earnings per share in the third quarter were 70 cents, compared with 83 cents in the 1989 period.

The third-quarter results are flat with 1989 when the impact of 8 cents for the ESOP program and approximately 5 cents net dilution from Marshall Field's are excluded.

Revenues from our three operating divisions in the 1990 third quarter were $3.62 billion, an increase of 16 percent from the same period a year ago. Comparable-store revenues rose 3 percent.

Target's contribution to operating profit was up in the third quarter due to

continued sales growth and improved gross margin. Mervyn's sales rose. However, its savings from tight expense controls were more than offset by lower gross margin, primarily from a higher LIFO charge. Operating profit at the Department Stores rose due to the Field's LIFO credit.

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FREEHOLD, N.J. (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Talcon L.P. (NASDAQ:TLCNZ) announced Tuesday that Calcap-G.B. Associates, a joint venture in which Talcon holds a 50 percent interest, has reached an agreement to terminate a contract to purchase certain real property located in Holmdel, N.J.

The contract, which was entered into in 1986, was the subject of litigation between Calcap-G.B. Associates and the owner of the property, each of whom alleged that the other failed to comply with the terms of the contract. The agreement to terminate the contract requires Calcap-G.B. Associates to forfeit a $200,000 deposit but relieves the joint venture from any obligations it might have had under the purchase contract.

It is anticipated that Calcap-G.B. Associates will be dissolved and that the dissolution will result in a write-off of approximately $800,000 by Talcon in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Molecular Biosystems Inc. (NYSE:MB) Tuesday announced that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has notified the company that its Albunex PMA submission is administratively complete and may be filed subject to certain clarifications.

The Albunex PMA application, which was formerly submitted to the FDA in September 1990, seeks approval for its use as a contrast agent in two-dimensional echocardiography procedures, that is, conventional ultrasound examinations of the heart. Currently, there are no commercially available ultrasound contrast agents.

''We are very pleased with the timeliness of this notice from the FDA,'' said Kenneth J. Widder, M.D., chairman and chief executive officer of MBI. ''Our objectives for bringing Albunex to market continue to be met. We look forward

to working with the FDA and the appropriate advisory panel during the upcoming review period.''

Molecular Bisystems Inc., located in San Diego, is a leading biomedical firm developing proprietary medical products that diagnose human disease, including Albunex, an injectable contrast agent for use in ultrasound imaging. In addition, it is a leading developer of direct, non-radioactively labeled genetic probe products.

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LONG BEACH, CA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Jack J. Schoustra, chairman and chief executive officer of The Earth Technology Corp. (USA) (NASDAQ:ETCO), Tuesday announced a significant improvement in operating results for the fiscal-year and fourth-quarter period ended Aug. 31.

Net income for fiscal 1990 more than doubled to $1,297,000, or 42 cents per share, compared with $518,000, or 18 cents per share, in fiscal 1989. Gross revenues for the 12-month period rose 43 percent to $54,234,000 compared with $37,810,000 in the prior year.

Fiscal 1990 fourth-quarter net income increased to $293,000, or 9 cents per share, compared with $61,000, or 1 cent per share, in the like period a year ago. Gross revenues for the quarter rose 27 percent to $13,915,000 compared with $10,915,000 last year.

In reviewing operations, Schoustra said: ''In addition to the significant improvement in financial performance during fiscal 1990, the company met several important objectives. These include reaching management's long-term goal of achieving a good balance between revenues from federal government agencies and the private sector, each of which represented about 50 percent of gross revenues during the fiscal year.

''The company introduced a sophisticated Management Information System that meets its objective of having decentralized management supported by strong centralized control.

''In addition, during the year the company's operations were split into two divisions, for federal government projects and commercial sector activities, which should allow it to serve clients in both sectors efficiently and maximize profits while retaining the ability to cross-utilize personnel.''

Schoustra said Earth Technology is entering fiscal 1991 with a strong backlog totaling $128,106,000. This represents an increase of 165 percent, or

$79,806,000, compared with the like period last year. However, the company is currently experiencing a significant decline in its asbestos business in the eastern United States, which is expected to depress short-term earnings.

The Earth Technology Corp. (USA) is a 20-year-old technical services consulting organization specializing in the analysis of complex environmental and engineering problems for government and private industry.

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NORWALK, CONN. (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Bolt Technology Corp. (OTC:BOLT) announced Tuesday that the company has entered into a restructured loan agreement with its bank which eliminates the company's default position.

The company also reported the results of operations for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

The restructured loan agreement provides, among other things, that the $7,002,000 of principal and interest owed to the bank as of June 30, 1990 is replaced by (a) a $1,000,000 prime rate three-year term note with interest only payable monthly from July 1, 1990 through June 30, 1991 and interest and equal principal payments payable monthly from July, 1991 through June, 1993, (b) a $1,050,000 term note which provides for no interest accruable or payable until July, 1993 at which time interest at the prime rate and equal payments of principal become payable monthly through June, 1996 and (c) a 10-year warrant to the bank to purchase 1,659,000 common shares of the company at 10 cents per share.

The company reported that revenues and net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 amounted to $1,167,000 and $4,402,000, respectively, as compared to revenues of $1,437,000 and net loss of $965,000 in last year's first quarter. The net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 includes an extraordinary gain of $4,555,000 as a result of the restructuring of the company's bank debt.

Bolt Technology Corp.
Financial Summary

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Revenues	$1,167,000	$1,437,000
Net income (loss)	4,402,000-(a)	(965,000)

Per share income (loss)	0.77	(0.34)
Average shares outstanding	5,688,000	4,695,000

(a)-After an extraordinary gain of $4,555,000 ($0.80 per share) from the restructuring of the company's bank debt.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The directors of Central Bancshares of the South Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CBSS) voted Monday, Nov. 19, 1990, to pay a fourth quarter dividend of 20 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record of the corporations $2 par value common stock at the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990.

Central Bancshares of the South Inc. is a bank holding company with assets of $4.9 billion.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC) announced Tuesday that an amended Schedule 13D has been filed with the securities and Exchange Commission by an investor group that has increased its holdings to 3,752,496 shares or 11.1 percent of the common stock of AmBase.

On Nov. 13, 1990, this same investor group filed a 13D reporting ownership of 3,646,396 shares or 10.8 percent of the common stock of AmBase.

The filing indicated that the Group had acquired the shares for the purpose of voting on the previously announced sale of The Home Insurance Co. to TVH Acquisition Corp., but that no decision had been reached as to how the Group will vote.

The Group also proposed four representatives for election to the AmBase Board.

A spokesman for Ambase stated that it had no comment on the filing or proposal.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Imatron Inc. (NASDAQ:IMAT) announces that it has accepted an investment from its distribution partner in Japan, PASCO Corp., of $2 million for the purchase of 4 million new shares of Imatron common stock.

As a result of this transaction the stake of Pasco and its affiliate Mitsui & Co., Ltd., has increased from 5.1 percent to 13.0 percent. Imatron recently announced agreement on a new five year distribution agreement with PASCO and Mitsui for a minimum of 24 scanner shipments.

In a related development, Imatron secured a $2 million credit line from San Paolo bank. This loan is secured by an Imatron investor FI.M.A.I. Holding, S.A. who are also affilitated with Imatron's European distributor, Vymac Corp.

Imatron Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets CT products for medical diagnostic imaging, industrial applications, and baggage screening. Imatron products include the electron-beam Ultrafast CT scanner, which captures high speed images of the heart as well as radiological chest and body scans free of motion-induced artifacts.

The company also produces compact CT products that provide high throughput and continuous scanning capability in medical imaging and airport security explosives detection.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Hitachi Data Systems (HDS) Tuesday added six new intermediate level models to the HDS EX Series of mainframe computer systems.

The new models include the EX 11, EX 22, EX 27, EX 31, EX 38 and EX 42. The new models add increased flexibility to customers by giving them more performance options in the EX Series product family. In addition to the new models, HDS also announced that Multiple Logical Processor Feature (MLPF), the company's proprietary partitioning capability, will become a no charge feature on all new EX Series mainframes effective immediately.

HDS also announced storage and channel enhancements to the intermediate level EX Series models 11 through 44. The maximum storage on the uniprocessor

models (EX 11 through 33) has been increased to 512 megabytes matching the maximum storage capacity previously only available on dyadic models (EX 35 through 44). All models can now support up to a maximum of eight fiber optic channels, the previous maximum was four. Optical channels for the EX Series have been available since 1988.

''These new models bring to 24 the number of performance platforms available to customers of the EX Series,'' said Chris Worrall, director of systems marketing. ''The recent wave of competitive announcements has focused renewed attention on this market segment and these new models, when combined with memory and channel enhancements, provide very attractive solutions for customers' requirements.'' Last month HDS announced its intent to provide System/390 support on all EX Series models.

The new intermediate mainframes are all air cooled and are based on 2,000 and 5,000 gate ECL (Emitter Coupled Logic) gate arrays. Additionally, the EX Series systems feature four level storage design including industry-leading Dynamic Working Storage (DWS) which uses high-speed Bi-CMOS memory components.

All new models of the EX Series are available in January of 1991. Upgrades from installed systems to the new models will be available in the second quarter of 1991. Prices range from $315,160 for an EX 11 with 32 megabytes of storage and 8 channels to $2,609,760 for an EX 44 with 512 megabytes of storage and 32 channels.

Hitachi Data Systems is a joint venture company owned by Hitachi Ltd. and Electronic Data Systems (EDS). HDS markets a broad range of mainframes, peripheral products and services. With products installed in more than 30 countries worldwide, HDS has more than 2500 employees.

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Gainsco, Inc. (AMEX:GNA), announced that the Board of Directors Tuesday declared a 5 percent stock dividend payable on December 27, 1990, to shareholders of record on December 11, 1990.

Cash will be paid for fractional shares based upon the closing price on December 11, 1990. The Company's transfer agent, Ameritrust Company N.A., will accept instructions until December 18, 1990 for disposition of nominee stock with regard to fractional shares.

Gainsco, Inc. is a vertically integrated property and casualty insurance company specializing in underwriting and marketing excess and surplus lines.

The Company's subsidiaries include General Agents Insurance Company of America Inc., an Oklahoma corporation, General Agents Premium Finance Company, which offers premium financing programs for general agents in connection with their marketing activities; Agents Processing Systems, Inc., which markets a computer software policy management system to general agents; and Risk Retention Administrators, Inc., which assists managing general agents in forming and operating risk retention groups.

In addition, General Agents Insurance Company of America, Inc. operates a wholly-owned subsidiary, MGA Insurance Company, Inc., which is the sole owner of MGA Agency, Inc., the Company's marketing arm.

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BURLINGTON, MA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - M/A-COM Inc. (NYSE:MAI) announced Tuesday the appointment of Dr. John M. Herman III to M/A-COM's executive management as vice president and general manager of the company's Semiconductor Division.

Since 1986, Dr. Herman has been general manager of General Electric's Microelectronics Center, providing leading-edge integrated circuit technology to GE/RCA. He also had been division vice president for RCA Corporation responsible for the RCA Microelectronics Center. In addition to his several senior management positions with RCA Corporation, Dr. Herman has held technical management positions with Texas Instruments Inc.

Dr. Herman holds a Ph.D., Electrical Engineering/Solid State Physics from the University of Illinois, as well as an M.S.E.E. and B.S.E.E. from Southern Methodist University.

M/A-COM Inc. is a leading producer of radio frequency, microwave and millimeter wave semiconductor, components and subsystems for applications in telecommunications, radar, navigation and defense systems including missile guidance and electronic warfare. M/A-COM also supplies equipment used in electronic surveillance. The company's products are used primarily in defense electronics systems, but also have numerous commercial applications.

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Verbatim Corp. Tuesday introduces its 3.5'' OD-ROM optical disks to complement its full line of optical products including 5.25'' rewritable optical disks and 3.5'' rewritable optical disks.

''Today we are announcing to the world that Verbatim is the computer information storage technology company. Recently, we have announced the availability of 3.5'' rewritable optical products for drives that don't yet exist, 5.25'' ISO standard rewritable optical disks, any type of magnetic media you could want, and now we add OD-ROM optical disks to our catalog,'' says Nicky Hartery, president of Verbatim Corp.

''In the past six months we have gone from a company considered to be a single industry, single product (floppy disks) manufacturer to the world's leading provider of information storage media. No other company in the industry can match the breadth of our product line.''

Verbatim's optical disks will operate in all ISO standard 3.5'' optical drives.

OD-ROM optical disks are considered a publisher's vehicle because they cannot be revised. Verbatim will market this product to publishers of reference works, including encyclopedias, databases, and image banks.

Verbatim Corp., headquartered in Charlotte, is a world leader in computer information storage products, including optical disks, floppy diskettes, reel tape and data cassettes and cartridges.

For more information about optical disk technology, write or call Verbatim Corp., 1200 W.T. Harris Blvd., Charlotte, N.C. 28262; 800/538-8589.

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WESTFORD, MASS. (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation and Simpact Associates, Inc. today announced the availability of a range of Simpact's connectivity products on Concurrent's 5000 and 6000 Series Real-Time UNIX, VMEbus computer systems. The Simpact products will be sold by the Simpact sales organizations.

The Simpact products ported to Concurrent's systems are VCI 300, VCI 2000 X.25

VCI 3000 HDLC, VCI 4000 ADCCP NRM, VCI 4200/ADCCP ABM, VCI 8000/DDCMP, VCI 151001/MarketFeed 2000 Receiver, and VCI 15300/MarketFeed Receiver. Simpact's 68020-based Intelligent Communications Processors (ICPs), are the basic building blocks of these products. The multiport, high-performance ICPs are programmable, front-end processors that offload communications processing from the host CPU, freeing it to perform more time-critical applications.

''The availability of Simpact's Intelligent Communications Processors and wide variety of protocols enhances Concurrent's position as a leader in real-time computing for the financial marketplace. Users now have the ability to gather data from multiple exchanges and news wires making it possible to integrate that data and distribute it to their customers. We look forward to a long-lasting and mutually beneficial relationship with Simpact Associates,'' said Steve Parker, third party marketing manager at Concurrent.

Founded in 1972, Simpact Associates, Inc. is an information systems company that provides complete hardware and software solutions for complex problems involving data communications and information security for manufacturing, military and financial applications. The company is headquartered in San Diego, California.

Concurrent Computer Corporation, headquartered in Tinton Falls, New Jersey, is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through the Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems Groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The world's most expensive car, the only 1907 silver-plated Rolls-Royce Silver Ghost ever built, was recently shipped to the United States by P&O Containers.

The car, valued at $20 million, arrived at Rolls-Royce's U.S. operation in Lyndhurst, N.J. - on schedule and without a scratch.

''We are delighted to have been selected by Rolls Royce to handle the shipment of the Silver Ghost,'' said William Murphy, assistant vice president of Commercial Services, P&O Containers' North American Trade Division.

''P&O Containers is the only container line that specializes in shipping

antique and exotic cars. We have developed a special securing process to ensure that each auto arrives in pristine condition. We even provide the owner with a set of photographs of the secured car for his files.''

P&O Containers is the largest deep-sea carrier of Rolls-Royce Cars to multiple destinations worldwide.

The Silver Ghost will embark on a three month trip across the U.S. promoting Rolls-Royce Motor Cars before being returned by P&O Containers to its home in Cheshire, England.

P&O Containers operates 26 offices in the United States, including its new East Rutherford headquarters. One of Europe's leading container lines, P&O Containers provides an extensive network in intermodel services that link North America and the Caribbean with Northern Europe, the Mediterranean, the Middle East, Africa and Asia.

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WATERBURY, CT (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of MacDermid Inc., Waterbury, at a meeting held Nov. 19, voted to pay on Jan 2, 1991 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990, a dividend of 15 cents each share of common stock.

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Gerald F. Renner, 203/575-5700

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ORLANDO, FLA. (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Laser Photonics Inc. (NASDAQ:LAZR) Tuesday announced results for the periods ended Sept. 30.

Sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 declined to $2,666,000, as compared to last year's sales for the comparable period of $3,577,000. A net loss of $460,000 or (12 cents) per share was reported for the third quarter, as compared to net income of $25,000 or 1 cent per share for the third quarter last year.

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, declined to $7,250,000, as compared to last year's sales for the like period of $10,664,000. A net loss

of ($2,251,000) or (61 cents) per share was reported for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to net income of $510,000 or 12 cents per share for the comparable period in 1989.

Commenting on the results, Mark T. Fukuhara, president and chief executive officer stated that, ''although our financial results for the nine months and three months were disappointing and declined compared to last year, the company made substantial progress in this quarter in its efforts to return of profitability.

''We are pleased that we achieved a substantial increase in sales in the third quarter compared to the second quarter of 1990 as the result of a substantial increase in sales of medical surgical systems. We expect that new orders for these products will continue to accelerate through the fourth quarter and next year.''

Laser Photonics Inc., designs, manufactures, and markets solid-state and gas laser systems and other peripheral equipment for applications in medical and scientific markets.

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NASHVILLE, TN (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Dollar General Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DOLR) Tuesday reported flat earnings for the third quarter.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Cal Turner Jr. reported sales for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 totaled $164.6 million compared with $145.6 million in 1989, an increase of 13.0 percent. Net income for the quarter was $2.76 million, or 15 cents per share equal to the $2.76 million, or 15 cents per share in 1989. Same store sales for the period increased 8.8 percent.

For the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, sales were $451.3 million, an increase of 6.7 percent over sales of $423.1 million in 1989. Net income for the nine months was $5.70 million or 31 cents per share compared with $5.09 million or 28 cents per share in 1989, an increase of 11.9 percent. Same store sales for the nine months increased 1.9 percent.

Dollar General is a chain of 1,432 neighborhood stores operating in 23 states with distribution centers in Georgia and Kentucky. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The Mischer Corp. (NASDAQ:MSHR) Tuesday reported a loss of $626,000, or 20 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, compared to a loss of $3 million, or 92 cents per share, for the same period in 1989.

The company reported net income of $985,000, or 31 cents per share, and a net loss of $7.9 million, or $2.85 per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, and 1989, respectively. Revenues from continuing operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $4.3 million as compared to $10.1 million for the same period in 1989.

The decrease in revenues is a result of a reduction in the number of lots and acres sold in the first three quarters of 1990 plus revenues for 1989 include the sale of a warehouse in Harahan, La.

Net losses from continuing operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 were $41.8 million, or $13.11 per share, and $7.5 million, or $2.75 per share, respectively. The loss from continuing operations for the first nine months of 1990 included a $37,022,000, or $11.62 per share, writedown during the first quarter on assets conveyed to its major bank creditors.

In addition, The Mischer Corp. recognized a $41.6 million, or $13.05 per share extraordinary gain on debt settlements, net of federal income taxes in the first nine months of 1990.

The company is engaged in real estate development and management primarily in the Houston area.

The Mischer Corp.

Consolidated Summary Of Income (Loss)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 916,000	$ 3,608,000	$ 4,261,000	$10,117,000
Loss from continuing operations	(1,340,000)	(3,039,000)	(41,792,000)	(7,513,000)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations net of federal income taxes (benefit)	--	62,000	--	(101,000)
Income (loss) on disposal of discontinued operations	29,000	--	1,193,000	(300,000)
Extraordinary gain on debt settlement, net of federal income taxes	685,000	--	41,584,000	--
Net income (loss)	$ (626,000)	$(2,977,000)	$ 985,000	$(7,914,000)
Income (loss) per common share: Continuing operations				

Primary	(42 cents)	(94 cents)	($13.11)	($2.75)
Fully diluted	(42 cents)	(94 cents)	($13.11)	($2.75)
Net income (loss)				
Primary	(20 cents)	(92 cents)	31 cents	($2.85)
Fully diluted	(20 cents)	(92 cents)	31 cents	($2.85)

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Thomas L. Poe, 713/869-7800.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Marsh & McLennan Companies Inc., Tuesday declared a quarterly dividend of 65 cents per share on outstanding common stock payable on Feb. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 11, 1991, it was announced by Frank J. Tasco, chairman.

Marsh & McLennan Companies Inc., is a professional services firm with insurance and reinsurance broking, consulting and investment management businesses. Over 24,000 employees in 80 countries provide analysis, advice and transactional capabilities to clients worldwide.

Marsh & McLennan companies' stock is listed on the New York, Midwest, Pacific and London stock exchanges. Its NYSE ticker symbol is MMC.

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STAMFORD, CT. (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Citizens Utilities' board of directors Tuesday declared a 2.4 percent fourth-quarter stock dividend on the company's outstanding Series A and Series B common stock, payable on Dec. 31 to shareholders of record on Dec. 3.

Stock dividends of 1.33 percent were voted in each of the first three quarters.

Leonard Tow, chairman, noted that the cash equivalent of the 2.4 percent stock dvidend for the fourth quarter, when added to the cash equivalent of the stock dividends for the first three quarters, as computed during each of their respective quarters, brings the total cash equivalent for 1990 stock dividends to $1.76.

This represents a 14 percent increase over the $1.54 cash equivalent dividend

paid in 1989. Dividends on Series A shares, which constitute 83 percent of the company's outstanding shares, have been paid in stock since 1956, while stock dividends on Series B shares were initiated in 1990.

Citizens Utilities (NASDAQ) is a diversified operating public utility providing telecommunications, electric, gas, water and wastewater services to more than 500,000 consumer connections in 12 states: Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Nevada, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Utah and Vermont.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Concord Fabrics Inc. (AMEX: CIS and CISB) Tuesday announced its sales and operating results for the fiscal year ended Sept. 2, 1990.

Net earnings were $4,302,375 or $1.21 per share on sales of $194,965,032. In fiscal 1989 Concord earned $3,602,490 or $1.01 per share on sales of $174,355,808.

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	Fifty-two weeks ended Sept. 2, 1990	Fifty-three weeks ended Sept. 3, 1989
Net sales	$194,965,032	$174,355,808
Earnings before income taxes	7,097,375	5,497,490
Income tax provision	2,795,000	1,895,000
Net earnings	$ 4,302,375	$ 3,602,490
Net earnings per share	$ 1.21	$ 1.01
Number of shares used in computing earnings per share	3,565,062	3,565,062

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Bunker Hill Mining Co. Inc. announced Tuesday the appointment of company president Jack W. Kendrick as chairman of the board, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Kendrick concurrently announced the appointment of Alan H. Richardson as

president and a director of the company, effective the same date. Richardson is currently employed as chairman and chief executive officer of Butte Mining PLC, a post he will leave at year end. His prior employment history includes progressively responsible positions with Inco Ltd., Centennial Minerals Ltd. and Pegasus Gold Corp.

Commenting on Richardson's appointment, Kendrick stated, ''During the past 30 years, Alan Richardson has accumulated a wealth of experience in the mining industry. His diverse background in mining and metallurgical operations, investor relations, international finance, and executive management ensure that he will make an invaluable contribution to the future growth of the company.

''We are extremely pleased that he has decided to share his considerable talents with us.''

The company also announced that Robert L. Magnuson has resigned as a director of the company, effective Jan. 1, 1991. Magnuson resigned in order to satisfy the Canadian securities regulation requiring Canadian residents to comprise a majority of the board.

Kendrick stated, ''Bob Magnuson's valuable counsel will be missed but we deeply appreciate his service during the company's formative years.''

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LANGHORNE, PA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Ecogen Inc. (NASDAQ:EECN) Monday announced the election of Jack D. Early, Ph.D. to its board of directors.

The company stated that Dr. Early's election increases the board to eight directors.

Dr. Early's professional career has included more than 30 years of experience in the agricultural industry. He has served in a number of executive positions with Monsanto Co., including Research Entomologist and manager, Government Relations for Monsanto's Agricultural Division.

Dr. Early was elected president and CEO of the National Agricultural Chemicals Association in 1976 and, in 1989, was named president ex officio of the Association. He has also served in the National Defense Executive Reserve of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The holder of 15 patents, Dr. Early received his B.S. and M.S. degrees in Entomology from Clemson University and his Ph.D. in Entomology from North

Carolina State University.

Commenting on Dr. Early's election to the company's board of directors, John E. Davies, Ecogen chairman and chief executive officer, stated, ''We are most fortunate to have an executive with Dr. Early's distinguished professional careeer and experience in our industry join our board. We are confident that he will make an invaluable contribution to the future of Ecogen and its growth and progress.''

Married and the father of three children, Dr. Early resides with his wife in Potomac, Maryland.

Ecogen Inc. is an agricultural biotechnology company, specializing in biological pest control. Ecogen's products include Cutlass (a) vegetable bioinsecticide, Foil (a) potato bioinsecticide, Condor (a) forestry and soybean bioinsecticide, Dagger (a) G cotton biofungicide and Collego (a) rice bioherbicide. The company is also developing products for cotton, corn and home garden use.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Millicom Inc. (NASDAQ: MILL) Tuesday reported results for the third quarter and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues from sales and services in the 1990 nine month period were $122,233,000 compared to $76,652,000 in the same period last year, an increase of 60 percent. For the first three quarters of 1990, the company reported a net loss of $46,937,000 compared to a net loss of $23,471,000 in the prior year.

For the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported revenues from sales and services of $45,867,000 vs. $35,354,000 in the same period a year ago, which represents an increase of 30 percent. For the third quarter, Millicom reported a net loss of $23,462,000 compared to a net loss of $18,233,000 in the prior year.

The increases in revenues relate principally to growth of the company's cellular telephone operations in the United Kingdom and the worldwide

alphanumeric paging operations of approximately $14,800,000 and $19,500,000, respectively, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Profit contribution before marketing, general and administrative expenses in the third quarter rose to $3,761,000 from $1,716,000 in the same period last year and for the nine months rose to $8,810,000 from a loss of $2,003,000 in the prior year.

Commenting on the results, J. Shelby Bryan, the company's chairman and chief executive officer, stated: "Millicom's U.S. paging operations and U.K. cellular service provider have recently completed a dramatic growth phase which has required considerable investment in marketing costs.

"These businesses have now attained a sufficient revenue base to cover their operating costs. Future growth in these businesses will be held down to a more deliberate pace thereby significantly reducing our marketing expenses."

Millicom also announced that it had reached agreements with Industriforvaltnings A.B. Kinnevik ("Kinnevik") concerning the previously announced intention to form a new company in Luxembourg called Millicom International Cellular, SA ("MIC").

MIC will be formed this week and Millicom and Kinnevik shortly thereafter will transfer their international cellular properties to MIC in exchange for equity interests and promissory notes each in a principal amount of approximately $100 million.

Upon completion of either investments from strategic third parties or other financing sources, Millicom will then reflect the appropriate financial statement effects of this transaction.

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HACKENSACK, NJ (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - ALFA INTERNATIONAL CORP. (NASDAQ Symbol: ALFE) Tuesday announced the results of operations for the nine months ended September 30, 1990.

On July 27, 1990 the Company changed its fiscal year end to December 31 from July 31.

For the nine months ended September 30, 1990, revenues were $1,428,052 as compared to $2,900,856 for the nine months ended October 31, 1989. The Company reported a net loss of $450,037, or $0.08 per share, for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 as compared to a net loss of $27,029, or $0.00

per share, for the nine months ended October 31, 1989.

Commenting on the results, Frank Drohan, President and Chief Operating Officer of ALFA INTERNATIONAL CORP., stated, ''The Company's decline in revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 was primarily attributable to reduced sales volume from our videocassette business, which we discontinued in June 1990. SG&A expenses increased approximately $132,000 due to marketing expenses of our TY-BREAKERSR apparel. As a result of these expanded marketing efforts, net sales of our TYVEKR apparel increased by approximately $332,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 1990. The Company's net loss was affected by a decrease in sales and increased marketing, general and administrative costs.''

Mr. Drohan continued, ''ALFA's corporate strategy remains focussed on our TYVEKR division. Market acceptance has been quite favorable and we anticipate generating increased volume as well as improved earnings. We are actively reviewing acquisition possibilities to enhance the visibility and profitability of this core business.''

ALFA INTERNATIONAL CORP., is engaged in the production and marketing of promotional apparel made of TYVEKR, a synthetic material produced by DuPont, which is exceptionally strong, water resistant, wind proof and printable.

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JOHNSON CITY, TN (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Vance W. Cheek, chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Home Financial Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:HFET), Tuesday announced that the company's board of directors has declared a special year-end dividend of 54 cents per share to be paid in addition to the company's regular quarterly payout.

Cheek noted that the special dividend has been increased 35 percent from the 40 cents per share special payout at the end of 1989.

Home Financial's regular quarterly dividend remains unchanged at 12 cents per share. It will be paid on Dec. 14, 1990, while the special 54 cents per share dividend will be paid on Dec. 21, 1990. Both payments will be made to stockholders of record as of Nov. 30, 1990, and will bring total dividend payments in 1990 to $1 per share, up 25 percent from 1989.

In making the announcement, Cheek noted that Home Financial has posted strong earnings in its first three quarters of 1990. Excluding the effects of investment sales in the previous year, Home Financial reported 8 percent higher pre-tax income for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, versus

the same period last year. Net interest income for the period rose 7 percent.

''We are very pleased with the company's operations in 1990 and expect the fourth quarter to reflect a continuation of the trends we have witnessed this year,'' said Cheek.

''In making this dividend declaration, the board of directors have not only considered the strength of the company's earnings, but also the results of a recent examination of our subsidiary, Home Federal, by the Office of Thrift Supervision.

''This examination ended with minimal impact on our reserves for loan losses, which we believe affirms the sound lending practices to which we have adhered.

''We are glad to have the opportunity to increase our stockholders' direct participation in the company's earnings through this higher special year-end dividend,'' he concluded.

''We believe our efforts to enhance stockholder value through higher dividends contrast greatly with the current performance of many other financial institutions that have found it necessary to reduce or eliminate dividends in the wake of significant lending problems.''

Home Financial Corp. is the holding company for Home Federal Savings and Loan Association of Upper East Tennessee, which is the leading financial institution headquartered in the region. Federally chartered in 1934, the Association offers a broad line of lending and financial services through eighteen offices strategically located across the Upper East Tennessee area.

CONTACT: Home Financial Corp., Johnson City
    Cameron E. Perry, 615/282-6311

-30- 2908
     #90324b0803 11/20/1990 ~Business Wire

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Providence Energy Corp. (AMEX:PVY) reported fiscal 1990 net income from ongoing operations of $5 million or $1.17 per share.

This compares to $3.2 million or 77 cents per share from ongoing operations for the fiscal period last year. Operating margin rose to $65 million this year, a 9.9 percent increase over last year. The main contributors to the increase in earnings were the rate increase that was implemented by Providence Gas Co. (Providence Energy's largest subsidiary) in June 1989 and the growth in natural gas customers.

The total number of customers at year end rose 5.3 percent, totaling over 155,000 customers. This can be attributed to 3,500 additional customers from

the South County aquisition in June of last year, an increase in coversions for the year and continued growth in the residential and commercial areas. Total gas sold and transported for the year was 27.7 billion cubic feet (Bcf), up 12 percent from the previous year.

Robert W. Owens, vice president and treasurer, stated that, ''We are pleased with the improved earnings results. Our renewed focus on the natural gas distribution business has proved timely as demand for conversion from other fuels has been strong. A pending Providence Gas Company natural gas rate increase filing and aggressive marketing in both core and non-core markets will provide the margin growth in the future.''

Providence Energy serves as the holding company and parent of Rhode Island's largest gas distribution company, the Providence Gas Co. Providence Energy utility subsidiaries provide natural gas service to over 155,000 accounts in Providence, Newport and 24 other cities and towns in Rhode Island and nearby Massachusetts.

CONTACT: Providence Energy Corp., Providence
Harry J. Bishop, 401/831-2371

-30- 2020

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PUNXSUTAWNEY, PA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Groundhog Graphics, manufacturer of graphics boards, announced Tuesday that it will begin distribution of radiation shields for computer monitors.

Doug Sandlin, president of Groundhog, stated, ''Our primary customers are graphics oriented professionals that spend a great deal of time at their systems. There is an increasing amount of concern about the radiation, glare and static electricity that are emitted from monitors, especially among people who use their computers a great deal.''

He continued, ''After carefully reviewing scientific documentation, compiled by such respected sources as Johns Hopkins University and the Kaiser Permanente Medical Group and also conducting extensive market research, we have determined that radiation shields can be of great benefit to our customers.''

Groundhog Graphics will distribute the NoRad brand of radiation shields, citing price/performance ratio as the reason for that selection.

Mark Carlson, director of sales and marketing for Groundhog, commented, ''The NoRad shields offer the best protection against electromagnetic radiation available, literally 99.99 percent, while extending pricing that is extremely aggressive.''

Sandlin added, ''We expect to do very well with this product, but at the same time, we are offering it to our customers because we believe sincerely that education concerning monitor radiation is critical, as is offering an appropriate solution.''

The NoRad shields carry a suggested list price of $139, with quantity pricing available for both end users and resellers.

For further information, please contact Groundhog Graphics at 800/GRAPH99, or 814/938-8943.

CONTACT: Groundhog Graphics, Punxsutawney
Marcy Lingenfelter, 800/GRAPH99

-30- 1983
#90324b0818 11/20/1990 ~Business Wire

ATLANTA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Pursuant to its previously announced quarterly dividend policy, the board of directors of American Software Inc. (NASDAQ:AMSWA) Tuesday declared a dividend of 6 cents per share to Class A and Class B shareholders of record on Dec. 5, payable on or about Dec. 19.

American Software, headquartered in Atlanta, develops, markets and supports business applications software for a wide range of end-users, including manufacturing companies, public utilities, financial institutions, healthcare facilities and distribution concerns.

CONTACT: American Software Inc., Atlanta
Neal L. Miller, 404/261-4381

-30- 805
#90324b0820 11/20/1990 ~Business Wire

RAHWAY, NJ (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Electro-Catheter Corp. announced its financial results for the twelve months ended Aug. 31, 1990.

The company's common stock is traded in the NASDAQ System under the symbol ECTH.

Electro-Catheter Corp.
Financial Highlights
12 Months Ended

	August 1990	August 1989
Net sales	$ 8,006,789	$ 8,184,992
Net earnings (loss)	(36,385)	(409,809)
Earnings (loss) per common share	(.01)	(.12)
Weighted average shares		

outstanding	3,787,400	3,546,000

CONTACT: Electro-Catheter Corp., Rahway
Robert I. Bernstein, Arlene Bell, 201/382-5600.

-30- 1018
#90324b0821 11/20/1990 ~Business Wire

CHESTNUT HILL, MA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Designs Inc. (NASDAQ:DESI), operator of specialty retail stores that sell exclusively Levi Strauss & Co. clothing and accessories, announced Tuesday that its board authorized the engagement of Kidder, Peabody & Co. Inc. to explore alternatives to maximize shareholder value, including, but not limited to a refinancing, restructuring, recapitilization or sale of all or part of the company.

The company said that no assurance can be given that the engagement will result in any transaction.

Designs Inc.'s 70 traditional stores and 32 outlet stores sell exclusively Levi Strauss & Co. clothing and accesories under the ''Designs exclusively Levi Strauss & Co.'' and ''Specials exclusively Levi Strauss & Co.'' names. The stores are located in enclosed regional shopping malls and outlet parks in 26 states throughout the eastern half of the country.

CONTACT: Designs Inc., Chestnut Hill
Geoffrey M. Holczer, 617/739-6722

-30- 1162
#90324b0825 11/20/1990 ~Business Wire

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. announced Tuesday the public offering of $150 million of 9-3/4 percent first mortgage bonds due Nov. 1, 2005.

The bonds are priced at 100 percent, plus accrued interest from Nov. 1, 1990, to yield 9.845 percent. The bonds are offered pursuant to a shelf registration statement currently in effect with the Securities and Exchange Commission and are not redeemable prior to maturity.

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Inc., Goldman Sachs & Co., and Salomon Brothers Inc. acted as underwriters of the offering.

Net proceeds from the sale of these bonds will be used to finance the utility's construction program, to reduce short-term debt and for other corporate purposes.

Niagara Mohawk is an investor-owned utility encompassing the largest customer service area in New York State. Electric service is provided to

approximately 1.5 million electric customers across 24,000 square miles, and natural gas service reaches 466,000 customers in areas totaling 4,500 square miles in central, northern and eastern New York.

(This news release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of any offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state. Copies of the prospectus may be obtained from Leon T. Mazur, manager-Investor Relations, Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., 300 Erie Boulevard West, Syracuse, N.Y. 13202, telephone number: 315- 428-5876.)

CONTACT: Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., Syracuse
Leon T. Mazur, 315-428-5876
or 315-428-3151, (After Hours/Emergency)

-30- 1939
#90324b0827 11/20/1990 ~Business Wire

BOCA RATON, FL (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Great Oaks Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: GOFC) announced a 96 percent increase in net earnings to $796,000, before preferred stock dividends, for the nine month period ended Sept. 30 on revenues of $12,432,000; up 14 percent from $10,900,000 for the corresponding period in 1989.

However, net earnings applicable to common stock, after adjustment for $405,000 in preferred stock dividends, is $391,000, or 10 cents per share on 4.11 million shares (up 184 percent from 1.44 million shares in 1989) compared to $224,000, after adjustment for $157,000 in preferred dividends, or 16 cents per share on 65 percent fewer shares.

Third quarter results of operations reflect commutation agreements with reinsurers, effective July 30 and Sept. 4, retroactive to Apr. 30.

Results of operations for the third quarter were $90,000 in net earnings less $135,000 preferred dividend requirement which resulted in a $45,000 loss applicable to common stock or one cent per share on a 7 percent increase in revenue to $3,615,000 from $3,387,000 in the 1989 third quarter.

Additionally, subsequent to Sept. 30, Flagship Insurance Underwriters Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary, negotiated the right to sell the following programs from the London insurance markets: (a) vendor single interest insurance; (b) GAAP insurance; (c) lawyer's liability insurance; and (d) fast-food restaurant liability insurance.

All of these various programs should generate additional revenues.

CONTACT: Great Oaks Financial Corp., Boca Raton

David Mayer, 407/395-0666

-30- 1764
#90324b0834 11/20/1990 ~Business Wire

SHREVEPORT, LA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Arkla Inc. (NYSE:ALG) and Diversified Energies, Inc. (DEI), said Tuesday that they are pleased with today's decision by the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to approve the proposed merger of Minnegasco - the natural gas distribution company of DEI - into Arkla.

At a meeting held to further consider the matter, the PUC approved the merger subject to certain agreed upon administrative procedures. Minnegasco's rates will continue to be regulated by the PUC.

In July, the Boards of Directors of DEI and Arkla approved the merger agreement. PUC approval was the last of the regulatory actions needed for the merger to proceed.

Arkla and DEI shareholders will vote on the merger at special meetings of shareholders to be held November 28 in Shreveport, and Minneapolis. Arkla and DEI officials said they expect that closing of the merger will occur shortly thereafter.

Arkla and DEI are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbols ALG and DEI respectively.

CONTACT: Arkla Inc., Shreveport, James G. Ivey, 318/429-3972

-30- 1265
#90324c0003 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pace Medical Inc.(TICKER: PMED).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$509,436	$407,707
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$46,920	$(58,533)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,768,589	2,575,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,598,231	$1,308,665
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$946,833	$421,966

-30- 1047

#90324c0004 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by HPSC Inc.(TICKER: HPSC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,593,000	$6,754,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$934,000	$1,152,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.19	$0.23
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,927,597	4,951,425

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$195,357,000	$202,366,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$39,315,000	$35,887,000

-30- 1051

#90324c0005 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Clayton Silver Mines Inc.(TICKER: CLSM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$21,798	$20,926
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$11,018	$(43,954)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,792,414	3,792,414

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,016,558	$952,218
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$460,017	$551,405

-30- 1070

#90324c0006 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Lunn Industries Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,782,737	$669,508
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$84,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$221,600	$(277,294)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.13	$(0.16)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,741,999	1,741,999

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,208,613	$2,311,125
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$(1426,248)	$(1,508,344)

-30- 1064

#90324c0007 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Evro Financial Corp.(TICKER: EVRO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$203,000	$21,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$91,000	$10,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,541,575	3,421,696

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,404,000	$976,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$765,000	$402,000

-30- 1057

#90324c0008 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Zions Bancorporation.(TICKER: ZION).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$1,170,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$6,823,000	$5,382,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.14	$0.91
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,993,000	5,945,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,002,842,000	$2,835,646,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$171,138,000	$156,702,000

-30- 971

#90324c0009 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Southern National Corp.(TICKER: SNAT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$5,157,000	$6,208,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.23	$0.27
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	22,700,857	22,621,828

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,378,973,000	$3,129,819,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$213,705,000	$202,178,000

-30- 905

#90324c0011 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Whiting Petroleum Corp.(TICKER: WPCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,994,145	$1,284,503
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$164,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$646,569	$480,493
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$0.06

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,265,721	$11,972,705
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,262,4458	$8,159,672

-30- 1002

#90324c0012 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Providence and Worcester Railroad Co. (TICKER: PWRR)

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,217,000	$3,854,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(98,000)	$(305,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.15)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$55,319,000	$54,500,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$28,920,000	$28,936,000

-30- 1039

#90324c0013 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Exovir Inc.(TICKER: XOVR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$64,931	$4,572
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(155,160)	$(90,131)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,888,349	3,485,955

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$761,295	$856,458
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(223,485)	$111,706

-30- 1042

#90324c0014 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Coastal Caribbean Oils & Minerals Ltd. (TICKER:

CCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(220,888)	$(209,113)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	33,363,632	29,064,666

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,765,274	$4,941,785
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,649,920	$4,801,423

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise, and that losses incurred for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased primarily because of reduced interest income.

Additionally, the company states that interest income was approximately 70 percent lower in 1990 because of a reduction in funds invested and lower rates of return.

The company's address is Clarendon House, Church Street, Hamilton, Bermuda, and its telephone number is (809) 295-1422.

-30- 1599
#90324c0015 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Southern Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: SOBK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$757,000	$707,000

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.26	$1.18

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$307,661,000	$303,382,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$26,278,000	$24,519,000

-30- 812

#90324c0016 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Advanced Tobacco Products Inc.(TICKER: ATPI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$67,833	$109,796
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(24,413)	$(20,603)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,872,770	7,895,770

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$821,277	$860,268
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$802,892	$827,305

-30- 1092

#90324c0017 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Federal Savings Bank of Georgia. (TICKER: FSBG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(431,902)	$(57,869)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.45)	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	966,738	965,748

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$145,880,330	$154,783,517
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,131,684	$6,943,994

-30- 907

#90324c0019 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cel Communications Inc.(TICKER: CELC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$454,000	$699,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(330,000)	$(709,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$(0.57)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,104,000	1,299,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,309,000	$6,950,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,203,000	$(6,114,000)

-30- 1087

#90324c0020 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Apogee Technology Inc.(TICKER: APGG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$878,300	$398,198
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(19,424)	$(228,734)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.15)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,533,989	1,515,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,127,129	$2,501,042
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,897,227	$2,098,069

-30- 1079

#90324c0021 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Shepaug Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$15,903,200	$15,073,500
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$1,300	$4,100
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$839,100	$3,193,100

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$99,707,700	$100,248,400
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,406,600	$7,074,800

-30- 907

#90324c0022 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Unimax Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,690,800	$5,785,200
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$1,900	$4,100
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(424,700)	$(617,700)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$23,852,100	$25,262,800
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,839,200	$2,409,600

-30- 907

#90324c0023 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Trilos Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,658,441	$8,455,104
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(12,531)	$185,733
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(10,429,977)	$(5,559,289)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.70)	$(0.20)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,548,000	2,550,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$44,192,371	$28,421,139
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(11,012,792)	$(8,406,971)

-30- 1065

#90324c0024 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Riggs National Corp.(TICKER: RIGS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$343,000	$10,678,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.78

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,624,351,000	$7,337,187,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$337,443,000	$342,332,000

-30- 819

#90324c0025 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by BTR Realty Inc.(TICKER: BTRI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,893,718	$5,964,244
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,771,357)	$(65,982)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.32)	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$168,383,000	$163,050,004
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,250,052	$13,582,494

-30- 995

#90324c0027 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Canada Southern Petroleum Ltd.(TICKER: CSW) Figures are expressed in Canadian dollars.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$496,416	$528,691
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(209,242)	$(174,032)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,272,266	11,989,954

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,220,635	$15,580,704
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,805,387	$15,014,629

-30- 1143

#90324c0028 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Capitol Street Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,387,000	$7,437,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$44,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,956,000	$3,283,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.22	$2.02

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$222,686,000	$199,046,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$155,622,000	$153,567,000

-30- 997

#90324c0029 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by GVC Venture Corp.(TICKER: GPAX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$41,000	$85,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(101,000)	$(91,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,239,390	2,229,390

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,045,000	$2,160,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,894,000	$1,990,000

-30- 1064
#90324c0030 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mining Services International Corp.(TICKER: MSIX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,981,000	$3,974,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$20,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$64,000	$120,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.03

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$21,099,000	$13,890,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,254,000	$3,368,000

-30- 1033
#90324c0031 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 16:

Ramtek Corp. (RMTK)

-30- 242
#90324c0032 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 20:

Home Savings Bank Brooklyn (HMSB); Acquired by H.F. Ahmanson & Co.

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 19:

Cambrex Corp. (CBAM); Insufficient number of active market makers - listed on AMEX

OSHAP Technologies Ltd. - Uts. 11/26/90 (OSHUF), Cl. A Wts. 11/26/90 (OSHWF); Warrants expire 11/26/90

Pop Radio Corp. (POPX); Acquired by NCNB Texas National Bank

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 16:

First South Bancorp Inc. (FSBN); Issue postponed - security never quoted

Phoenix American Inc. (PHXA); Acquired by Phoenix Affiliates International Inc.

-30- 870
#90324c0033 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sage Analytics International Inc.(TICKER: SAII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$777,148	$659,089
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(298,148)	$(643,498)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.11)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,904,188	$3,776,552
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,889,157	$2,907,363

-30- 1039

#90324c0035 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bank Maryland Corp.(TICKER: BKMD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(4,012,958)	$(103,904)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.99)	$(0.06)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$223,839,951	$237,626,970
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$19,758,951	$31,072,164

-30- 817

#90324c0036 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Underwriters Group Inc.(TICKER: AUND).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$39,000	$45,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(30,000)	$(39,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.07)

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	599,990	599,990

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,069,000	$2,053,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,237,000	$1,393,000

-30- 1096

#90324c0037 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Plastigone Technologies Inc.(TICKER: GONE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$346,185	$626,388
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(400,396)	$(96,526)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,435,989	4,337,489

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,205,795	$3,846,457
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,211,449	$2,267,942

-30- 1094

#90324c0038 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:20 that trade in Liposome Co. Inc.(NASDAQ: LIPO) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 1/4. The company is located in Princeton, New Jersey.

-30- 347

#90324c0039 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by CBLX Holdings Inc. (formerly Cable Exchange Inc.)

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$999,966	$1,114,749
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(53,576)	$16,659
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,012,000	3,012,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,690,333	$4,048,205
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,528,757	$2,507,839

-30- 1077

#90324c0040 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - Yuba Westgold Inc. filed a Form 8 with the NASD stating it lost $546,000, or $0.03 per share, on revenues of $6.25 million for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $1.63 million, or $0.08 per share, on revenues of $7.31 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 470

#90324c0041 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Meicor Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended April 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,765	$58,281
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(388,072)	$(1,812,130)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.35)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,216,649	5,216,649

BALANCE SHEET

	April 30, 1990	April 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$74,156	$234,422
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$(740,088)	$(418,266)

Meicor is a development stage company which owns patents to technology relating to the development of air-cooled metal ceramic x-ray tubes which eliminate the necessity for the use of oil as a coolant.

The company's executive office is located at 14155 58th Street North, Clearwater, Florida 34620 and its telephone number is (813) 535-7095.

-30- 1394

#90324c0043 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by World-Wide Technology Inc.(TICKER: WOTK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,050,000	$11,559,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(353,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,665,000)	$266,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.30)	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$23,167,000	$27,449,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,676,000	$6,844,000

-30- 1029

#90324c0044 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Disease Detection International Inc. (TICKER: DDII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$150,969	$177,536
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(508,302)	$(465,142)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$(0.10)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,533,323	$2,695,700
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$857,126	$2,323,568

-30- 1039

#90324c0045 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Drillstar Corp.(TICKER: DRIL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$372,398	$299,502
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(98,303)	$113,183
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,500,000	4,500,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,372,891	$2,267,236
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,036,375	$1,283,604

-30- 1058

#90324c0046 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Harleysville National Corp.(TICKER: HNBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,416,470	$1,185,749
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.71	$0.59
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,997,846	1,997,846

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$395,581,623	$357,508,995
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$31,647,315	$28,444,891

-30- 874

#90324c0047 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by RTI Corp.(TICKER: RTII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$846,332	$871,514
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$140,564	$(83,378)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,559,519	6,559,519

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,819,747	$7,854,034
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,552,902	$3,174,005

-30- 1059
#90324c0048 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Jefferson Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: JBNK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,893,000	$4,050,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.57	$0.58
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,869,000	6,942,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,526,928,000	$1,498,507,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$139,703,000	$132,593,000

-30- 876
#90324c0049 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:26 that trade in Eastchester Financial Corp.(NASDAQ: ECFC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 11 3/4. The company is located in White Plains, New York .

-30- 370
#90324c0051 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
By WALTER ANDREWS

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Have oil companies been able to use a peculiar accounting system to quietly hide billions of dollars in profits accrued from soaring crude oil prices during the Persian Gulf crisis as has been charged?

The answer is ''yes'' with a qualification.

The Last In First Out system of accounting, which ties the cost of goods sold to the cost of the most recent purchases, is accepted for use by businesses based on commodities such as oil, whose price sometimes changes rapidly.

''LIFO can be used by any company with inventory. It's allowable for federal income tax purposes. If you use it for federal income tax purposes, you have to use it for financial reporting,'' said Paul Rosenfield, director of accounting standards for the American Institute of Certified Public

Accountants in New York.

The other main generally accepted industry accounting method is FIFO - the First In First Out principle, Rosenfield said.

In contrast to FIFO, LIFO produces a higher cost of goods sold and a lower gross prifit and taxable income.

Under FIFO, profits and losses as a result of rising and falling commodity prices are more readily shown. They are balanced out, however, to a greater extent under LIFO, he said.

The mentality behind LIFO apparently led the oil companies to raise gasoline pump prices within days of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait based on higher crude prices they were starting to pay rather than the much lower prices they had paid for the crude already in their storage tanks.

The public outcry led President Bush to ask the oil companies to show restraint.

The LIFO method helps oil companies during periods of rising prices, but the sword is double-edged, Rosenfield said.

''It does reduce the profits that you show in periods of rising prices (but) ''it will hurt you in periods of falling prices,'' he said.

''The LIFO method is not something you turn off and on. Although it helps a firm during periods of rising prices, it will come back and bite you in periods of falling prices. What goes around, comes around,'' said D. Larry Crumbley, professor of taxation at Texas A&M University and editor of the Oil and Gas Tax Quarterly.

''If we believe the function of accounting is to replicate as closely as possible economic gain or loss, the LIFO method is preferable,'' said Joseph Tovey, a New York consultant to the oil industry.

To the extent individual oil companies were oriented to refining and marketing they reported a reduction in third-quarter profits from a year ago as a result of the higher prices they had to pay for crude.

Mobil Corp., the nation's second-largest oil company, and Shell Oil Co., the sixth largest, reported third-quarter earnings fell 29 percent and 33.l2 percent respectively.

Exxon Corp., the world's largest, reported earnings level with last year. Atlantic Richfield Co., Los Angeles, reported third-quarter earnings rose 21.9 percent from a year ago.

But Edwin Rothschild of the Citizen Action Energy Coalition in Washington charges that LIFO has allowed the oil industry to net $14 billion in unreported profits since the Iraqi invasion.

Crude oil is currently selling around $35 a barrel and has risen as high as $40 a barrel, bringing oil companies a windfall on oil in storage they had paid as little as $16 a barrel for earlier in the year.

The potential windfall is formidible. Oil companies had in their commercial storage tanks at the time of the invasion 55 million barrels more of crude then they did in August 1989. This ''surplus'' is now gone.

''Unfortunately, none of these inventory gains are showing up in oil company third quarter profit reports. This is because the companies employ the Last In First Out method of accounting,'' Rothschild said. ''The point is the companies have the cash,'' he said.

''If oil goes back down to $16 a barrel, it will balance out,'' he acknowledged. But he doubted that oil prices would return to that level.

Rothschild said the oil companies went to LIFO accounting in the 1970s when profits ''really ballooned'' after a Middle East oil shock. There was a public hue and cry then and congressional calls for regulation of the industry.

''The companies didn't want that to happen again,'' he said.

Charles DiBona, president of the American Petroleum Institute, labeled Rothschild's charges as ''absolute nonsense.''

He compared the benefits oil companies received from rising crude prices to those of a homeowner in a rising real estate market.

The homeowner may get $100,000 more than he or she paid for house. But the money would have to be paid out if the seller went into the market for a dwelling of similar size and location, DiBona said.

''The purpose is to gauge profitability on the basis of on-going business, not the price of a shutdown,'' he said.

DiBona added, ''If an oil companay decided to go out of business, then the oil in its pipelines ... could be sold and there would be some kind of inventory profit if the price of oil had risen from the time it had been bought.''

-30- 5342

#90324c0052 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:21 that trade in Duramed Pharmaceutical Inc.(NASDAQ: DRMD) has been halted pending news. The

last sale was 1 1/4. The company is located in Cincinnati, Ohio.

-30- 363
#90324c0053 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:25 that trade in Liposome Co. Inc.(NASDAQ: LIPO) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 1/2; up 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 345
#90324c0054 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cardiac Control Systems Inc.(TICKER: CCSC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$674,784	$750,299
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$209,828	$(492,384)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,491,101	6,491,101

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,965,845	$4,249,730
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$514,169	$618,369

-30- 1093
#90324c0055 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Memry Corp.(TICKER: MRMT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,594,000	$83,000

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(740,000)	$(387,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.06)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,678,000	$7,678,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,429,000	$3,169,000

-30- 982

#90324c0056 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Questech Inc.(TICKER: QTEC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$11,172,700	$14,784,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(133,600)	$(57,200)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$86,900	$(42,200)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,576,415	1,578,003

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$19,531,800	$28,878,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,211,700	$3,989,600

-30- 1049

#90324c0057 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Spinnaker Software Corp.(TICKER: SPKR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,250,382	$3,279,938
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(498,960)	$90,390
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,298,320	9,754,282

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,332,523	$9,614,377
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,340,706	$2,828,012

-30- 1041

#90324c0059 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Palfed Inc.(TICKER: PALM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$716,000	$790,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.53	$0.58

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$716,903,000	$632,002,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$37,150,000	$37,775,000

-30- 786

#90324c0060 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Bank of Nashville.(TICKER: TBON).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended	Nine Months Ended

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$313,000	$152,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.14	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,170,336	2,167,925

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$115,033,000	$44,299,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$21,105,000	$20,866,000

-30- 936

#90324c0061 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by William H. Sadlier Inc.(TICKER: SADL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,394,554	$11,682,302
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,634,357	$4,290,859
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$2.93	$4.77
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	899,296	899,296

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$17,856,441	$12,289,446
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,145,401	$9,839,850

-30- 1088

#90324c0062 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by LSI Industries Inc.(TICKER: LYTS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$19,983,000	$20,255,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(700,000)	$1,120,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.15)	$0.22
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,686,000	4,865,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$49,312,000	$49,514,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$23,583,000	$24,402,000

-30- 1095

#90324c0063 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:30 that trade in Eastchester Financial Corp.(NASDAQ: ECFC) has been resumed. The first sale was 12; up 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 362

#90324c0064 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mid Am Inc.(TICKER: MIAM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$17,000	$173,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,594,000	$2,564,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.44	$0.55

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$1,139,800,000	$891,327,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$72,411,000	$50,197,000

-30- 859

#90324c0065 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Metatec Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,943,925	$1,138,037
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(18,007)	$30,513
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,287,054	3,281,882

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$16,902,765	$10,847,328
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,180,694	$8,742,441

-30- 1051

#90324c0067 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by SAI Group Inc.(TICKER: SAIG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$972,000	$823,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(629,000)	$(649,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.04)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,011,000	$6,216,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(822,000)	$(8,000)

-30- 992

#90324c0068 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Eastco Industrial Safety Corp.(TICKER: ESTO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,201,167	$13,743,971
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(63,990)	$151,511
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,840,522	3,965,178

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$17,301,717	$18,794,301
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,310,192	$2,374,182

-30- 1102

#90324c0069 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 29, 1990, Genetic Engineering Inc.(TICKER: GEEN) entered a settlement agreement with the remaining defendant, U.S. Resource Corp., in its litigation in the U.S. District Court for the southern district of New York.

As part of the settlement agreement, the defendant, Le Brussels Gourmet, a Belgian limited liability company, released Genetic Engineering from all its obligations under a note totaling $2.0 million, and accrued interest of $476,643.

Genetic also was released from all its obligations under a second loan totaling $99,739, made to Genetic from its bank.

A release of the deed of trust on Genetic's Colorado real estate was executed, with the loan and deed of trust being purchased from the bank by Ecofinance USA, a partner of U.S. Resource.

U.S. Resource paid Genetic's legal fees incurred as a direct result of the lawsuit.

The case was dismissed with prejudice and without costs.

-30- 1161

#90324c0070 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sigma-Aldrich Corp.(TICKER: SIAL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$133,265,000	$115,888,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$17,977,000	$16,383,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.72	$0.66
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	24,814,000	24,748,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$525,429,000	$472,424,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$352,453,000	$298,851,000

-30- 1095

#90324c0071 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Burke Mills Inc.(TICKER: BMLS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Sept. 29 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$4,702,670	$5,092,447
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$(42,800)
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(135,912)	$(209,845)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,741,168	2,833,641

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 29, 1990	Dec. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,791,540	$13,687,236
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,251,613	$8,684,180

-30- 1079

#90324c0072 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Terramar Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$83,209	$49,769
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(21,390)	$(9,677)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,877,976	9,877,976

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	Dec. 31,1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$98,676	$119,910
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(524,978)	$(479,694)

-30- 1058

#90324c0073 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by OKC Limited Partnership.(TICKER: OKCP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,993,000	$5,860,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,084,000)	$(923,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER UNIT	$(0.05)	$(0.05)
TOTAL UNITS OUTSTANDING	20,391,170	20,391,170

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$35,408,000	$35,386,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,565,000	$13,625,000

-30- 1104

#90324c0075 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by International Leisure Hosts Ltd.(TICKER: ILHL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,335,978	$1,283,688
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$329,432	$255,956
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.46	$0.36

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,471,860	$2,119,116
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,973,406	$1,687,280

-30- 1031

#90324c0076 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by MicroENERGY Inc.(TICKER: MCRE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,289,596,000	$1,878,947,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$50,924,000	$23,005,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	113,836,980	113,836,980

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,159,995	$4,405,091
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$651,214	$585,373

-30- 1071

#90324c0077 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ramapo Financial Corp.(TICKER: RMPO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$433,000	$670,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.35	$0.51
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,364,926	1,364,014

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$356,832,000	$350,003,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,299,000	$18,492,000

-30- 874
#90324c0078 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corp.(TICKER: TGP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$284,025,000	$181,449,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$8,548,000	$(19,247,000)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,335,304,000	$2,402,170,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$523,213,000	$551,425,000

-30- 984
#90324c0079 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:27 that trade in BGS Systems Inc.(NASDAQ: BGSS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 20 3/4. The company is located in Waltham, Massachusetts.

-30- 346
#90324c0080 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:50 that trade in Duramed Pharmaceuticals Inc.(NASDAQ: DRMD) has been resumed. The first sale was 1; down 1/4 point from the halt, and unchanged from the previous close.

-30- 376
#90324c0081 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 20) COMTEX - Vancouver, Wash.-based VanFed Bancorp. (TICKER: VANF) has agreed to acquire Seattle-based Washington Mutual for $19 a share or $23.3 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 16, 1990.

-30- 456
#90324c0083 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 20) COMTEX - Westboro, Mass.-based ASA International Ltd. (TICKER: ASAA) has acquired Computers Northwest Inc. of Redmond, Wash., for $495,000, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 16, 1990.

-30- 455
#90324c0084 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 20) COMTEX - New York-based New Line Cinema Corp. (TICKER: NLN) has acquired a controlling 52 percent interest in RHI Entertainment Inc., a television producer, for $48.7 million.

RHI has acquired the worldwide television rights owned by Quintex Entertainment Inc., including Hal Roach and Robert Halim titles, according to a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 16, 1990.

-30- 643
#90324c0085 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 20) COMTEX - Westport, Conn.-based Chartwell Group Ltd. (TICKER: CTWL) has completed the sale of its International Contract Furnishings Inc. subsidiary to ICFUV Corp. for $2.75 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 16, 1990.

-30- 514
#90324c0086 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 20) COMTEX - New York-based Astro Drilling Co. Inc. (TICKER: ASRL) has acquired 94.5 percent of Unilux Inc., a Hackensack, N.J., maker of strobe lighting used to create special effects for television commercials, for $1.6 million.

Unilux was controlled by Astro Drilling's major shareholders, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 16, 1990.

-30- 626
#90324c0087 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

AGIA INC. OWNS 236,075 SHARES (5.80%) OF DESOTO INC. (TICKER: DSO) OF DES PLAINES, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a Nov. 13, 1990, agreement with the other Sutton stockholders, Agia has agreed to cease being a stockholder in Sutton, to cause Agia's nominees to resign from the board of Desoto Inc. and Sutton, and to permit other Sutton stockholders to pursue consummate a possible transaction with the company.

-30- 615
#90324c0088 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY TIGER OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 690,400 SHARES (5.24%) OF NOVELLUS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NVLS) OF SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Tiger, et al. purchased 187,700 shares from Sept. 10 to Nov. 9, 1990 for $10.95 to 13.77 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 499
#90324c0089 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

TRIAN EQUITIES LTD OWNS 695,000 SHARES (5.51%) OF QUADRA LOGIC TECHNOLOGIES INC.(TICKER: QLTIF).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 378
#90324c0091 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY MEZZANINE LENDING ASSOCIATES I LP OWNS 2,352,280 SHARES (9.90%) OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL CORP.(TICKER: ICRR) OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Mezzanine Lending Associates I LP, et al. purchased 200,000 shares on Oct. 2, 1990 for $9 per share and MLAI purchased 81,235 shares from VEA I on Nov. 14, 1990 for $11.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 602
#90324c0092 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY MEZZANINE LENDING ASSOCIATES I LP OWNS 277,283 SHARES (7.10%) OF FORSCHNER GROUP INC.(TICKER: FSNR) OF SHELTON, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

MLA I purchased 12,108 shares from VEA I on Nov. 14, 1990 for $6.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 491
#90324c0093 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY MEZZANINE LENDING ASSOCIATES I LP OWNS 765,701 SHARES (14.90%) OF SYLVAN FOODS HOLDINGS INC.(TICKER: SYLN) OF WORTHINGTON, PENNSYLVANIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

MLA I purchased 14,659 shares from VEA I on Nov. 14, 1990 for $6 per share and Mezzanine Lending Associates I LP, et al. purchased 25,000 shares from Oct. 5-24, 1990 for $5.25 to $5.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 623
#90324c0094 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

M.D. MILLER OWNS 4,743,278 SHARES (69.00%) OF ENERCON DATA CORP. (TICKER: ENDC) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 26, 1990, M.D. Miller agreed to convert $250,000 of a convertible demand note held by the company to common stock at $.25 a share in consideration of the company's agreement to extend the security interest already held by M.D. Miller in all the company's assets to cover all the company's indebtedness to M.D. Miller for borrowings. On Nov. 2, M.D. Miller paid the remaining $215,000 of the company's bank note and received an assignment of the bank's entire interest in the company's promissory note and security agreement. M.D. Miller is continuously evaluating his investment in the company and is considering proposing or attempting to cause a sale of all or part of the company's assets, a recapitalization of the company or a liquidation of the company. Such proposals could involve, among other things, a change in the company's board of directors, material changes in the business or corporate structure, or cessation of the operations.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1328
#90324c0095 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

T.L. WHALEY OWNS 303,001 SHARES (28.48%) OF FIRSTSHARES OF TEXAS INC. OF MARSHALL, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 11 through Oct. 31, 1990, T.L. Whaley purchased 14,980 shares at a price of $8 to $8.57 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment and to facilitate family financial planning.

-30- 504
#90324c0096 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 538,700 SHARES (6.10%) OF MSA REALTY CORP. (TICKER: SSS) OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 6 through Nov. 7, 1990, Goldman Sachs & Co., et al. have purchased 475,000 shares at a price of $2.63 to $3 per share, and sold 325,000 shares at a price of $2.63 to $2.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 606
#90324c0097 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY SHELTER HOLDINGS INC. OWNS 3,174,847 SHARES (33.30%) OF US SHELTER CORP. OF GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Shelter Holdings Inc., et al.s have been informed that the US Shelter

Corp. is in default on all of the indebtedness of US Shelter Corp. and its subsidiaries to Lambert Brussels. On Nov.7, 1990, Lambert Brussels, Shelter Holding, the Partnership, the General Partner and Metropolitan Asset Group Ltd. executed a commitment letter, dated Nov. 6, 1990, pursuant to which and subject to the satisfaction or waiver of numerous conditions, Lambert Brussels agreed in principle to: forgive certain of the Lambert Debt; reduce and restructure the remaining Lambert debt to an amount currently estimated to be $3,700,000; and permit Shelter Holding and one of its subsidiaries to assume the restructured debt, in each case upon consummation of transactions contemplated by the asset purchase option agreement. On Nov. 7, 1990, Lambert Brussels, MAG, the Partnership, the General Partner, Shelter Holding, and Farkas executed a standstill agreement, dated Nov. 6, 1990, pursuant to which each party has agreed that, from and after Nov.6, 1990 until the earlier of: the closing, and Nov.6, 1992, it will not, and will not permit its affiliates to, directly or indirectly take any action to acquire, support any plan to acquire, or arrange for financing for the acquisition of, any of Shelter's capital stock, securities, debt obligations, or assets in a transaction which, in the judgment of Lambert Brussels acting in good faith, does not meet certain criteria relating to Lambert Brussels' economic benefits, collateral security, and legal rights and remedies.

PURPOSE:

Indebtedness default and commitment letter.

-30- 1994
#90324c0099 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

J. FALKENSTEIN OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY OWNS 163,500 SHARES (11.60%) OF GENERAL MICROWAVE CORP (TICKER: GMW) OF AMITYVILLE, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J. Falkenstein plans on increasing his holdings to approximately 23 percent.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J. Falkenstein purchased 19,600 shares for an undisclosed amount.

-30- 528
#90324c0100 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 25, 1990, the board of Securitas Holding Corp. authorized a subsidiary to purchase up to an additional 300,000 shares, none of which have been purchased yet. The additional shares would give Securitas Holding Corp. 566,750 shares and 18.5 percent.

-30- 485
#90324c0101 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 51

GROUP LED BY HERITAGE MEDIA CORP. OF DALLAS, TEXAS OWNS 5,000,000 SHARES (100.00%) OF POP RADIO CORP. (TICKER: POPX) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On nov. 16, 1990, the merger of merger sub with and into the company was consummated in accordance with the terms of the merger agreement. Pursuant to the agreement, each outstanding share was converted into the right to receive $21.20 in cash and each of the 100 outstanding shares of merger sub were converted into 50,000 common shares of the surviving corporation.

-30- 743
#90324c0102 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Tenet Information Services Inc.(TICKER: TISI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$177,573	$404,382
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(187,719)	$(22,664)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,538,539	1,847,659

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,767,247	$3,773,427
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,145,206	$1,889,532

-30- 1107

#90324c0103 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Comdata Holdings Corp./Comdata Network Inc. (TICKER: CMDT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$48,920,000	$48,705,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$688,000	$(1,875,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	42,351,000	33,856,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$521,620,000	$567,544,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$35,228,000	$33,201,000

-30- 1123

#90324c0104 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Golden Corral Realty Corp.(TICKER: GCRA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$491,653	$471,861
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$372,867	$344,445

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.25	$0.23

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,533,313	$12,673,720
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$12,508,606	$12,576,544

-30- 1016

#90324c0105 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Niagara Exchange Corp.(TICKER: NIEX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,635,000	$11,030,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$258,000	$(3,855,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	$(2.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,800,000	1,800,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$77,160,000	$77,325,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$21,618,000	$15,391,000

-30- 1106

#90324c0107 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Consumer Products Inc.(TICKER: ACPI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$24,832,000	$23,371,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$245,000	$566,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$0.22

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 29, 1990	Dec. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$55,780,000	$48,033,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,103,000	$15,639,000

-30- 1060

#90324c0108 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Chandler Insurance Co. Ltd.(TICKER: CHAN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$40,489,000	$28,020,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,554,000	$2,801,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.47	$0.52
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,590,000	5,425,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$229,635,000	$160,506,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$77,548,000	$48,720,000

-30- 1104

#90324c0109 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 1 1990, Coda Energy Inc.(TICKER: CODA) acquired working interests in 16 gas wells in central and western Oklahoma from Mobil Oil Corp. for an aggregate

price of $9.61 million in cash.

This purchase does not include two wells originally purchased as to which a joint interest owner exercised its preferential right to purchase shortly after closing.

According to estimates prepared by Coda, the wells have remaining proved producing reserves equivalent to 11.4 billion cubic feet of natural gas.

The company financed $8.71 million of the price through its credit agreement with NCNB Texas National Bank; the balance was funded from working capital.

-30- 912

#90324c0110 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Associated Communications Corp.(TICKER: ACCM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,234,000	$6,689,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,798,000	$(1,379,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	18,653,433,000	18,625,933,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$66,393,000	$53,837,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$36,892,000	$17,861,000

-30- 1129

#90324c0111 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mobile America Corp.(TICKER: MAME).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,885,724	$6,637,643
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,170,912	$1,212,493
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.75	$0.77
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,573,276	1,574,329

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$59,407,447	$51,317,325
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,983,059	$9,383,385

-30- 1083

#90324c0112 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Rockwood National Corp.(TICKER: RNTL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,435,000	$429,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(125,000)	$(896,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.09)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,829,389	9,872,506

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$28,107,000	$31,945,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,269,000	$16,219,000

-30- 1092

#90324c0113 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Monoclonal Antibodies Inc.(TICKER: MABS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,374,849	$2,335,144
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$191,064	$14,466
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,401,070	3,715,093

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,430,500	$5,956,231
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,547	$(357,386)

-30- 1091
#90324c0115 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Digital Transmission Inc.(TICKER: DTIN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,033,798	$5,874,502
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$	
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$334,371	$(1,945,266)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	13,510,435	13,510,435

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,973,586	$7,090,424
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,277,915	$2,943,544

-30- 1062
#90324c0116 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cherne Medical Inc.(TICKER: CHNE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,720	$7,900
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$979,836
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(627,615)	$363,358
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	17,596,616	17,596,137

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,903,745	$7,298,156
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,696,470	$4,682,809

The company's executive address is 5710 Lincoln Drive, Edina, Minnesota 55436, and its telephone number is (612) 933-2838.

-30- 1204
#90324c0117 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Unigene Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: UGNE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,025	$200,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(705,650)	$(397,380)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.03)

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	13,394,292	13,301,582

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,275,292	$9,230,305
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,555,338	$8,406,075

The company reports its revenues periodically fluctuate reflecting the recognition of revenue pursuant to the execution of new research or licensing agreements, or from contractual payments in connection with the achievement of defined benchmarks as stipulated in the research agreements.

Unigene states it is primarily dependent on fixed-contract revenues, and may not, in periods of high inflation, be able to fully recoup increases in research, administrative and mortgage interest expense.

Unigene's executive address is 110 Little Falls Road, Fairfield, New Jersey 07004, and its telephone number is (201) 882-0860.

-30- 1731

#90324c0118 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by MICROFRAME INC.(TICKER: MIFI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$551,056	$304,530
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$20,959	$(71,271)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,850,714	8,850,714

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,052,647	$829,354
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(159,444)	$(269,806)

-30- 1065
#90324c0119 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ONE TEXAS BANK OF 910 TRAVIS, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF DATA MEDICAL CLINICAL SUPPORT SE THROUGH HERMAN J. HOCHMAN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 9, 1990.

(DATA MEDICAL CLINICAL SUPPORT SE TEL: 612 378-3053)

-30- 439
#90324c0120 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. MARGOLIES OF 561 BROMAINY 10B, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10012, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED VIRAL RESEARCH CORP.(TICKER: ADVR) THROUGH WESTMINSTER SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 14, 1990.

(ADVANCED VIRAL RESEARCH CORP. TEL: 305 374-4847)

-30- 452
#90324c0121 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A.E. SMITH JR OF 16 PRINCE CHARMING RD, NESCONSET, NEW YORK 11767, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,500 SHARES OF AMERICAN LEISURE ENTERTAINMENT THROUGH HASAN GROWNEY INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 15, 1990.

-30- 394
#90324c0123 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.G. MOORE OF 28355 CONTESSA AVE, SAUGUS, CALIFORNIA 91350, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,450 SHARES OF SEMCO INSTRUMENTS INC.(TICKER: SMCO) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 9, 1990.

(SEMCO INSTRUMENTS INC. TEL: 805 257-2000)

-30- 425
#90324c0124 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.J. MOORE OF 19621 CEDARCREEK STREET, CANYON COUNTRY, CALIFORNIA 91351, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,450 SHARES OF SEMCO INSTRUMENTS INC.(TICKER: SMCO) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 9, 1990.

(SEMCO INSTRUMENTS INC. TEL: 805 257-2000)

-30- 439
#90324c0125 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.A. INGRAM OF 7811 WALNUT SW, TACOMA, WASHINGTON 98498, HAS FILED TO SELL 125,000 SHARES OF WASTE CONVERSION SYSTEMS INC. THROUGH NATIONAL SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 9, 1990.

(WASTE CONVERSION SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 303 790-8300)

-30- 434
#90324c0126 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.E. THORNHILL OF PO BOX #1368, BROOKHAVEN, MS 39601, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF LDDS COMMUNICATIONS INC.(TICKER: LDDS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 9, 1990.

(LDDS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 601 987-4900)

-30- 424
#90324c0127 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.C.R.H. ST OF ONE ST. JUDE PLACE BLDG, PO BOX #3704, MEMPHIS, TENNESSE 38173, HAS FILED TO SELL 689,000 SHARES OF HEAVENLY HOT DOGS INC. THROUGH ROBINSON HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 9, 1990.

(HEAVENLY HOT DOGS INC. TEL: 813 945-2300)

-30- 437
#90324c0128 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.B. BERSBACH OF 4868 SAN JOAQUIN DR, STE 302, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 92109, HAS FILED TO SELL 125,000 SHARES OF EXTEN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: EXVT) THROUGH BURNETT GREY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 9, 1990.

(EXTEN VENTURES INC. TEL: 619 294-8001)

-30- 439
#90324c0129 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - UROSHEVICH MIROSLAV EST OF 2505 FLEETWOOD AVENUE, CINCINNATI, OH 45211, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF ALPHA SOLARCO INC. (TICKER: ASCO) THROUGH MABON NUGENT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(ALPHA SOLARCO INC. TEL: 513 771-1690)

-30- 441
#90324c0131 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL C SMITH OF 4808 BYWOOD, EDINA, MN 55436, HAS FILED TO SELL 175,000 SHARES OF NORTH STAR UNIVERSAL INC. (TICKER: NSRU) THROUGH WESSELS ARNOLD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(NORTH STAR UNIVERSAL INC. TEL: 612 546-7500)

-30- 420
#90324c0132 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTHA G PARFET OF 5228 SHEFFIELD RD, HICKORY CORNERS, MI 49060, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF THE UPJOHN CO. (TICKER: UPJ) THROUGH WILLIAM RONEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(THE UPJOHN CO. TEL: 616 323-4000)

-30- 406
#90324c0133 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALD P SCRUSHY OF 2125 MALLAND SQUARE, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35216, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,500 SHARES OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. TEL: 205 967-7116)

-30- 459

#90324c0134 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILSON D FARGO OF 16631 TORRINGTON CT, SPRING, TX 77379, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,000 SHARES OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 713 370-0670)

-30- 414
#90324c0135 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL J RIVIERE OF 2925 MACALPINE CIRCLE, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35243, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,350 SHARES OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. TEL: 205 967-7116)

-30- 459
#90324c0136 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LUTHER T PRINCE OF 3521 WEST 24TH ST, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AULT INC. (TICKER: AULT) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(AULT INC. TEL: 612 560-9300)

-30- 390
#90324c0137 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER A LUND OF 100 WARWICK ROAD, BRONXVILLE, NY 10708, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF MULTIMEDIA INC. (TICKER: MMED) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(MULTIMEDIA INC. TEL: 803 298-4373)

-30- 401
#90324c0139 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACQUES SABBAH OF 479A COMMANCHE LANE, STRATFORD, CT 06497, HAS FILED TO

SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(MARCAM CORP. TEL: 617 965-0220)

-30- 396
#90324c0140 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL H MASLAK OF 1220 CHARLESTON ROAD, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

-30- 403
#90324c0141 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PATRICK MORGAN OF 760 VALLEY RD, NEW CANAAN, CT 06840, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,001 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 381
#90324c0142 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DUNCAN E WINE OF 3522 KENNONVIEW, HOUSTON, TX 77068, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,333 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH D E WINE INVESTMENTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0555)

-30- 421
#90324c0143 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RODGERS SHANNON P TRUST 1 OF 276 KAREN COURT, LOS GATOS, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(QUANTUM CORP. TEL: 408 432-1100)

-30- 420
#90324c0144 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RODGERS JOSEPH T III TRUST 1 OF 276 KAREN COURT, LOS GATOS, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(QUANTUM CORP. TEL: 408 432-1100)

-30- 426
#90324c0145 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL J MORITZ OF 37 CLIPPER STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94114, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,433 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 420
#90324c0147 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN PEMBROKE OF 9627 ROCKY BRANCH, DALLAS, TX 75243, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF AFN INC. (TICKER: AMFN) THROUGH KAMCO SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(AFN INC. TEL: 214 233-6800)

-30- 374
#90324c0148 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOXER OF 122 CLIPPER LANE, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 402
#90324c0149 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - WHITNEY J H & CO OF 630 FIFTH AVE, ROOM 3200, NEW YORK, NY 10111, HAS FILED TO SELL 41,426 SHARES OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI) THROUGH J P MORGAN SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. TEL: 617 876-1170)

-30- 443
#90324c0150 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS SCHLECK OF 10 LOMBARD DR, WEST CALDWELL, NJ 07006, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS) THROUGH ERNST & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 201 731-9252)

-30- 423
#90324c0151 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS CLAUDE EDWARDS OF 1426 GLEN EAGLES WAY, 0, ROCKLEDGE, FL 32955, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ROVAC CORP (TICKER: RVAC) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(ROVAC CORP TEL: 508 892-4841)

-30- 407
#90324c0152 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBINSON FOUNDATION OF P O BOX #105250, ATLANTA, GA 30348, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF HARLAND (JOHN H.) CO. (TICKER: JH) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(HARLAND (JOHN H.) CO. TEL: 404 981-9460)

-30- 425
#90324c0153 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BESSEMER VENTURES INC OF 630 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10111, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH

WESSELS ARNOLD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 449
#90324c0155 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN F SHELLING OF 2639 ENTERPRISE RD, CLEARWATER, FL 34620, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,721 SHARES OF TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: TRCI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH CORP. TEL: 813 535-0572)

-30- 432
#90324c0156 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHRISTOPHER GRANT JR OF 5915 STONESHIRE, DALLAS, TX 75252, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,586 SHARES OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. (TICKER: MEDC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. TEL: 214 851-2600)

-30- 417
#90324c0157 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK D CARLSON OF 13511 BUTTERFLY LANE, HOUSTON, TX 77079, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,011 SHARES OF SYSCO CORP. (TICKER: SYY) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(SYSCO CORP. TEL: 713 584-1390)

-30- 388
#90324c0158 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERNEST D HAVERON OF 7340 N 2ND DR, PHOENIX, AZ 85021, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF GO VIDEO INC. (TICKER: VCR) THROUGH BILTMORE EQUITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(GO VIDEO INC. TEL: 602 998-3400)

-30- 392
#90324c0159 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M RAY HARROFF OF 2511 WEST WILDWOOD TRAIL, 0, WARSAW, IN 46580, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET) THROUGH RAFFENSPERGER HUGHES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(BIOMET INC. TEL: 219 267-6639)

-30- 400
#90324c0160 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROCCO CASAGRANDE OF 62 E MALL DR, MELVILLE, NY 11747, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,750 SHARES OF WASTE TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: WTEK) THROUGH INVESTORS ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(WASTE TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 212 319-4044)

-30- 420
#90324c0161 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROCCO P VELOCCI OF 3 CANDLEWOOD PARK N, DIX HILLS, NY 11746, HAS FILED TO SELL 52,250 SHARES OF WASTE TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: WTEK) THROUGH INVESTORS ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(WASTE TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 212 319-4044)

-30- 426
#90324c0163 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WELDON B JOLLEY OF 3300 HYLAND AVE, COSTA MESA, CA 92626, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: SPI) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 714 545-0100)

-30- 432
#90324c0164 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK SCANLON JR OF 916 47TH ST, SACRAMENTO, CA 95819, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF HEALTHCARE COMPARE CORP. (TICKER: HCCC) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(HEALTHCARE COMPARE CORP. TEL: 312 719-9000)

-30- 428
#90324c0165 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LINDA K SAVAGE OF 210 S ALPINE DR, ALPINE, UT 84004, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF LARSON-DAVIS INC. (TICKER: LDII) THROUGH WILSON DAVIS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(LARSON-DAVIS INC. TEL: 801 375-0177)

-30- 406
#90324c0166 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARY A GOODEARLE OF 10815 PINE BAYOU, HOUSTON, TX 77024, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,666 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH TEXAS FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 394
#90324c0167 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARY A GOODEARLE OF 10815 PINE BAYOU, HOUSTON, TX 77024, HAS FILED TO SELL 42,499 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH TEXAS FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 397
#90324c0168 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARY A GOODEARLE OF 10815 PINE BAYOU, HOUSTON, TX 77024, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,168 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH TEXAS FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 397
#90324c0169 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHRIS A EYRE OF 480 BECADO PLACE, FREMONT, CA 94539, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,023 SHARES OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(KOMAG INC. TEL: 408 946-2300)

-30- 381
#90324c0171 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINEWEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 454
#90324c0172 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L MAROCCO OF 2933 BUNKER HILL LANE, SUITE 101, SANTA CLARA, CA 95054, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS) THROUGH PAINEWEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 434-0600)

-30- 454
#90324c0173 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUCE A LAWIN OF 1614 23RD AVENUE, NEW BRIGHTON, MN 55113, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF BIOPLASTY INC. (TICKER: BIOP) THROUGH PENNSYLVANIA GROUP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(BIOPLASTY INC. TEL: 612 636-4112)

-30- 402
#90324c0174 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AREA RESIDENTIAL AID PASADENA OF P O BOX #984, PASADENA, CA 91101, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,361 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 425
#90324c0175 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SEAMAN CHARLES ESTATE OF 241 ADAMS ROAD, HEWLETT HARBOR, NY 11557, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,971 SHARES OF CORPORATE INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: CICO) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(CORPORATE INVESTMENT CO. TEL: 215 436-0844)

-30- 456
#90324c0176 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL T KOLLAR OF 12526 SW EDGECLIFF ROAD, PORTLAND, OR 97219, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. TEL: 503 681-0118)

-30- 436
#90324c0177 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL H STEPAN OF 218 NORTH JEFFERSON ST, CHICAGO, IL 60606, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,310 SHARES OF STEPAN CO. (TICKER: SCL) THROUGH MESIROW INVSTMNT SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(STEPAN CO. TEL: 708 446-7500)

-30- 394
#90324c0179 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ENTREPRENEURS INTERWEST OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, BLDG #3 SUITE #255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH PAINEWEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

-30- 459
#90324c0180 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LINDA CUST CRONIN OF 2333 CAROL SUE DRIVE, GRETNA, LA 70053, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA IN (TICKER: ENSA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA IN TEL: 201 589-3850)

-30- 456
#90324c0181 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G FELDA HARDYMON OF 22 NEW TON ST, WESTON, MA 02193, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,253 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 439
#90324c0182 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GUNTER 1987 GRANDS TRUST OF P O BOX 789, WADE HAMPTON BLVD, GREENVILLE, SC 29602, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC) THROUGH J C BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(THE LIBERTY CORP. TEL: 803 268-8111)

-30- 439
#90324c0183 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GUNTER 1987 CHILDRENS TRUST OF P O BOX 789, WADE HAMPTON BLVD,

GREENVILLE, SC 29602, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC) THROUGH J C BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(THE LIBERTY CORP. TEL: 803 268-8111)

-30- 447
#90324c0184 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VALENTINE FAMILY TRUST OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,650 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 438
#90324c0185 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALAN D SAVER OF 5819 PLANTERS COURT, FREDERICK, MD 21702, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF AVEMCO CORP. (TICKER: AVE) THROUGH AVEMCO CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(AVEMCO CORP. TEL: 301 694-5700)

-30- 384
#90324c0187 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM H CAMPBELL OF 4360 MAIN STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19127, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF NATIONAL MEDIA CORP. (TICKER: NM) THROUGH BUTCHER & SINGER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(NATIONAL MEDIA CORP. TEL: 215 482-9800)

-30- 418
#90324c0188 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GREGORY S UM OF 23006 CARLOW RD, TORRANCE, CA 90505, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AURA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AURA) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(AURA SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 213 643-5300)

-30- 404
#90324c0189 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ABDULLATIF M HEFNI OF 1850 BEACON ST #105, BROOKLINE, MA 02146, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 424
#90324c0190 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHAPIRO MOSES ESTATE OF ONE LIBERTY PLAZA, C/O CLEARY GOTTIEB STEEN, NEW YORK, NY 10006, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,600 SHARES OF ALCIDE CORP. (TICKER: ALCD) THROUGH BHC SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(ALCIDE CORP. TEL: 203 847-2555)

-30- 429
#90324c0191 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID CALCATERRA OF 6650 GRAYSTONE LANE, SAN JOSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,377 SHARES OF VOICEMAIL INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: VOIC) THROUGH QUICK & REILLY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(VOICEMAIL INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 408 980-4000)

-30- 435
#90324c0192 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID CALCATERRA OF 6650 GRAYSTONE LANE, SAN JOSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,262 SHARES OF VOICEMAIL INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: VOIC) THROUGH QUICK & REILLY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(VOICEMAIL INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 408 980-4000)

-30- 437

#90324c0193 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

S.C. BAVO OWNS 476,734 SHARES (16.50%) OF LEVY BANCORP OF VENTURA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Sept. 30, 1990, the trust was terminated and the shares held thereunder were distributed to the respective beneficial owners. Simultaneously, the partnership distributed the shares it held to the partners thereof.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 547

#90324c0195 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

S.C. BAVO OWNS 204,212 SHARES (17.70%) OF LEVY BANCORP OF VENTURA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Sept. 30, 1990, the trust was terminated and the shares held thereunder were distributed to the respective beneficial owners. Simultaneously, the partnership distributed the shares it held to the partners thereof.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 547

#90324c0196 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.H. JONES OWNS 192,977 SHARES (6.70%) OF LEVY BANCORP OF VENTURA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Sept. 30, 1990, the trust was terminated and the shares held thereunder were distributed to the respective beneficial owners. Simultaneously, the partnership distributed the shares it held to the partners thereof.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 547
#90324c0197 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 26,479,183 SHARES (11.00%) OF FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION (TICKER: FNM) OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 7, 1990 through Nov. 5, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 1,268,600 shares at a price of $25.38 to $30.45 per share and sold 5,503,970 shares at a price of $25.03 to $30.29 per share.

-30- 557
#90324c0198 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 203,450 SHARES (2.11%) OF US WEST NEWVECTOR GROUP (TICKER: USWN) OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 10, 1990 through Nov. 5, 1990, FMR Corp. have purchased 36,600 shares at a price of $27.57 to $29.50 per share and sold 500 shares at a price of $25 per share.

-30- 521
#90324c0199 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 635,200 SHARES (9.62%) OF FIRST EMPIRE STATE CORP. (TICKER: FES) OF BUFFALO, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 17, 1990 through Nov. 11, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 65,000 shares at a price of $48 to $53.75 per share and sold 7,200 shares at a price of $53.75 per share.

-30- 519
#90324c0200 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 3,475,000 SHARES (7.72%) OF US SHOE CORP. (TICKER: USR) OF CINCINNATI, OHIO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 1 through Nov. 7, 1990, FMR Corp. have sold 475,400 shares at a price of $8.13 to $8.50 per share.

-30- 448
#90324c0201 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY V. PETTINARO OWNS 373,300 SHARES (7.80%) OF STAR STATES CORP. (TICKER: STSS) OF WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 24, 1990 through Nov. 14, 1990, V. Pettinaro, et al. have purchased 141,000 shares at a price of $2.13 to $2.35 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 512
#90324c0203 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

E. GEDULD OWNS 80,000 SHARES (2.50%) OF LEGAL SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS INC. (TICKER: LSFT) OF JERICHO, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 381
#90324c0204 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 6, 1990, E.P. WEAVER, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN COLLOID CO. (TICKER: ACOL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90324c0205 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 8, 1990, E.P. WEAVER, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN COLLOID CO. (TICKER: ACOL), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,345.

-30- 326
#90324c0206 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 200 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90324c0207 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 2,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90324c0208 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 1,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90324c0209 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 47,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90324c0211 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 12,700 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90324c0212 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 12,700 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90324c0213 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 10,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90324c0214 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, CP HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,068,250.

-30- 349
#90324c0215 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, B. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 200 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90324c0216 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, B. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 2,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90324c0217 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, B. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 1,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90324c0219 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 17, 1990, B. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 5,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90324c0220 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, B. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 12,700 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90324c0221 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, B. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 12,700 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90324c0222 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, B. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 10,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90324c0223 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, B. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,068,250.

-30- 334
#90324c0224 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, G. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 200 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90324c0225 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, G. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 2,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90324c0227 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, G. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 47,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90324c0228 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 17, 1990, G. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 5,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90324c0229 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, G. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 12,700 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90324c0230 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, G. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 12,700 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90324c0231 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, G. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 10,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90324c0232 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, G. SCHREIER, DIR. OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 500 CLASS A SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,068,250.

-30- 334
#90324c0233 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, E.J. NAMES, PRES. OF ALFA RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: ALFX), BOUGHT 5,400,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,458,000.

-30- 335
#90324c0235 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, M.H. PRYOR JR, CHAIRMAN OF CORCAP INC. (TICKER: CCP), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,611.

-30- 304
#90324c0236 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MARCH 29, 1990, F.S. SCARPA, CHAIRMAN OF CELUTEL INC. (TICKER: CLU), BOUGHT 70,000 SHARES AT $0.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,781,377.

-30- 312
#90324c0237 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 25, 1990, F.S. SCARPA, CHAIRMAN OF CELUTEL INC. (TICKER: CLU), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 944,668.

-30- 300
#90324c0238 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, D.L. KAHN, OFFICER AND BEN. OWNER OF BELLATRIX CORP. (TICKER: BLLX) BOUGHT 215,000 SHARES AT $0.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,979,123.

-30- 348
#90324c0239 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, T.L. HESTER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COLONY BANKCORP. BOUGHT 160 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,313.

-30- 312
#90324c0240 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 2, 1990, T.J. HANFORD, DIR. OF FIRST COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,133.

-30- 324
#90324c0241 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, H.H. HEILMAN JR, DIR. OF FIRST COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL

CORP. BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO
10,000.

-30- 322
#90324c0243 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, F.J. WOODWARD II, PRES. OF LAS VEGAS RESORTS CORP.
SOLD 400,000 SHARES AT $0.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90324c0244 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, F.J. WOODWARD II, PRES. OF LAS VEGAS RESORTS CORP.
SOLD 333,333 SHARES AT $0.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90324c0245 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, F.J. WOODWARD II, PRES. OF LAS VEGAS RESORTS CORP.
SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0246 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, D.P. BATISTA, DIR. OF LNB BANCORP.(TICKER: LNBB)
BOUGHT 422 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,021.

-30- 300
#90324c0247 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, G.D. FRIEDMAN, OFFICER OF LNB BANCORP.(TICKER: LNBB)
SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,021.

-30- 308
#90324c0248 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 17, 1990, E.M. SOFRANKO, DIR. OF LNB BANCORP.(TICKER: LNBB) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,234.

-30- 315
#90324c0249 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, E.M. SOFRANKO, DIR. OF LNB BANCORP.(TICKER: LNBB) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,734.

-30- 301
#90324c0251 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, R.H. HUNT, DIR. OF S.Y. BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,330.

-30- 283
#90324c0252 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 10, 1990, J.R. HESS, DIR. OF STERLING FINANCIAL CORP. SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90324c0253 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 10, 1990, J.R. HESS, DIR. OF STERLING FINANCIAL CORP. SOLD 1,146 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,728.

-30- 298
#90324c0254 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, R.E. ROHRER, DIR. OF STERLING FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 281 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,418.

-30- 298
#90324c0255 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 17, 1990, E.E. HOTT, DIR. OF SOUTH BRANCH VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP INC.(WV) SOLD 697 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90324c0256 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 17, 1990, E.E. HOTT, DIR. OF SOUTH BRANCH VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP INC.(WV) BOUGHT 297 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 377.

-30- 346
#90324c0257 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 19, 1990, R.P. YOUNKIN, DIR. OF DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DYCO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90324c0259 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 27, 1990, R.P. YOUNKIN, DIR. OF DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DYCO), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90324c0260 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, R.P. YOUNKIN, DIR. OF DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DYCO), SOLD 2,800 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 166,797.

-30- 307
#90324c0261 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, R.P. YOUNKIN, DIR. OF DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DYCO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 267

#90324c0262 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 3, 1990, R.P. YOUNKIN, DIR. OF DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DYCO), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 161,597.

-30- 301
#90324c0263 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, H.I. BOREEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AM COMMUNICATIONS INC. BOUGHT 150,000 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 470,510.

-30- 331
#90324c0264 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 8, 1990, A.P. OSTERLOH III, DIR. OF BEVERLY HILLS BANCORP. (TICKER: BHBA) BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90324c0265 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, A.P. OSTERLOH III, DIR. OF BEVERLY HILLS BANCORP. (TICKER: BHBA) BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,000.

-30- 330
#90324c0267 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, R.R. MAULDIN, CHAIRMAN OF PEOPLES BANCORP. (TICKER: PPLB) BOUGHT 135 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,890.

-30- 314
#90324c0268 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, R.R. MAULDIN, CHAIRMAN OF PEOPLES BANCORP. (TICKER:

PPLB) BOUGHT 126 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,726.

-30- 315
#90324c0269 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 5, 1990, R.B. PERRY III, DIR. OF READING CO.(TICKER: RDGC) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,000.

-30- 294
#90324c0270 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 9, 1990, S. TELSEY, PRES. OF TRIUMPH CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: TRPH) BOUGHT 75,000 SHARES AT $0.02 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90324c0271 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, S. TELSEY, PRES. OF TRIUMPH CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: TRPH) BOUGHT 86,704 SHARES AT $0.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 499,204.

-30- 312
#90324c0272 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, J.D. MACK, DIR. OF VALLEY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: VCCN) BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90324c0273 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, J.D. MACK, DIR. OF VALLEY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: VCCN) BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90324c0275 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, J.D. MACK, DIR. OF VALLEY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: VCCN) BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90324c0276 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, J.D. MACK, DIR. OF VALLEY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: VCCN) BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,981,845.

-30- 312
#90324c0277 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 11, 1990, MORGAN GUARANTY TR SPL EQUITIES, BEN. OWNER OF WALKER TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP.(TICKER: WTEL) SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 351
#90324c0278 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, MORGAN GUARANTY TR SPL EQUITIES, BEN. OWNER OF WALKER TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP.(TICKER: WTEL) SOLD 556,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 352
#90324c0279 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, RIEDEL RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF RIEDEL ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGIE INC. (TICKER: REI), SOLD 2,031,668 SHARES AT $6.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90324c0280 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, R.H. WRIGHT, VP OF SEQUA CORP. (TICKER: SQA), SOLD 150 CLASS A SHARES AT $56.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90324c0281 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, R.H. WRIGHT, VP OF SEQUA CORP. (TICKER: SQA), SOLD 900 CLASS A SHARES AT $54.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90324c0283 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, R.H. WRIGHT, VP OF SEQUA CORP. (TICKER: SQA), SOLD 300 CLASS A SHARES AT $67.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90324c0284 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, R.H. WRIGHT, VP OF SEQUA CORP. (TICKER: SQA), SOLD 150 CLASS A SHARES AT $67.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90324c0285 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, R.H. WRIGHT, VP OF SEQUA CORP. (TICKER: SQA), SOLD 300 CLASS A SHARES AT $66.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90324c0286 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, R.H. WRIGHT, VP OF SEQUA CORP. (TICKER: SQA), SOLD 500 CLASS A SHARES AT $66.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90324c0287 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 1, 1990, R.H. WRIGHT, VP OF SEQUA CORP. (TICKER: SQA), SOLD 200 CLASS A SHARES AT $66.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90324c0288 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 2, 1990, R.H. WRIGHT, VP OF SEQUA CORP. (TICKER: SQA), SOLD 300 CLASS A SHARES AT $66.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 254
#90324c0289 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 19, 1990, W.J. BARRETT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TGC INDUSTRIES INC. BOUGHT 3,384 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,713.

-30- 308
#90324c0291 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, RAY STATA, PRES. OF ANALOG DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ADI), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90324c0292 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, RAY STATA, PRES. OF ANALOG DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ADI), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90324c0293 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, RAY STATA, PRES. OF ANALOG DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ADI), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90324c0294 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RAY STATA, PRES. OF ANALOG DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ADI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90324c0295 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, RAY STATA, PRES. OF ANALOG DEVICES INC. (TICKER: ADI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,509,640.

-30- 308
#90324c0296 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CHARLES F BAIRD, DIR. OF AETNA LIFE & CASUALTY CO. (TICKER: AET), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $31.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,471.

-30- 327
#90324c0297 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, GREGORY E FISCHBACH, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM), SOLD 105,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,142,066.

-30- 405
#90324c0299 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90324c0300 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90324c0301 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND

INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90324c0302 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90324c0303 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, SHAREHOLDER OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,400.

-30- 345
#90324c0304 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 05, 1990, JOHN P MCNIFF, OFFICER OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90324c0305 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 06, 1990, JOHN P MCNIFF, OFFICER OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90324c0307 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, JOHN P MCNIFF, OFFICER OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90324c0308 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JOHN P MCNIFF, OFFICER OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90324c0309 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOHN P MCNIFF, OFFICER OF AIRGAS INC. (TICKER: ARG), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,300.

-30- 302
#90324c0310 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOHN R MASON, OFFICER OF AIR WISCONSIN SERVICES INC. (TICKER: ARWS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 324
#90324c0311 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOHN B MENN, DIR. OF AIR WISCONSIN SERVICES INC. (TICKER: ARWS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,577.

-30- 317
#90324c0312 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, BRUCE P PURDY, DIR. OF AIR WISCONSIN SERVICES INC. (TICKER: ARWS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,680.

-30- 322
#90324c0313 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, WATSON WHITESIDE, OFFICER OF AIR WISCONSIN SERVICES INC. (TICKER: ARWS), SOLD 279 SHARES AT $6.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,887.

-30- 323
#90324c0315 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, GARRY TRAMIEL, VP OF ATARI CORP. (TICKER: ATC), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90324c0316 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, GARRY TRAMIEL, VP OF ATARI CORP. (TICKER: ATC), SOLD 8,800 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,319,094.

-30- 291
#90324c0317 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90324c0318 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90324c0319 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 5,200 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90324c0320 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90324c0321 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 1,057 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90324c0323 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 347
#90324c0324 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, WILLIAM C MILLER, BEN. OWNER OF AURORA ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: AURE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 806,470.

-30- 341
#90324c0325 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, PETER B BEDFORD, BEN. OWNER OF AMREP CORP. (TICKER: AXR), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90324c0326 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, PETER B BEDFORD, BEN. OWNER OF AMREP CORP. (TICKER: AXR), BOUGHT 5,800 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,105,820.

-30- 314
#90324c0327 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90324c0328 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90324c0329 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90324c0331 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $25.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90324c0332 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $25.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90324c0333 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 541,368.

-30- 322
#90324c0334 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 30, 1990, THOMAS MORROW, DIR. OF BIOJECT MEDICAL SYSTEMS LTD.

(TICKER: BJCT), SOLD 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90324c0335 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DELBERT C STALEY, DIR. OF THE BANK OF NEW YORK CO. (TICKER: BK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,890.

-30- 321
#90324c0336 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JERRY L FERGUSON, DIR. OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 19,507 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90324c0337 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JERRY L FERGUSON, DIR. OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 30,493 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90324c0339 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JERRY L FERGUSON, DIR. OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 592,030.

-30- 302
#90324c0340 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, M RAY HARROFF, DIR. OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 166,144.

-30- 313
#90324c0341 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, M RAY HARROFF, DIR. OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90324c0342 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, M RAY HARROFF, DIR. OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 171,144.

-30- 313
#90324c0343 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, GEORGE H INMAN, DIR. OF BANKERS FIRST CORP. (TICKER: BNKF), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,094.

-30- 315
#90324c0344 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, WILLIAM B KUHLKE JR, DIR. OF BANKERS FIRST CORP. (TICKER: BNKF), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,443.

-30- 323
#90324c0345 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, LONNIE J WHITAKER, DIV. OFFICER OF BRENDLE'S INC. (TICKER: BRDL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 319
#90324c0347 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WAYNE M HOFFMAN, DIR. OF BROAD INC. (TICKER: BRO), BOUGHT 7,200 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90324c0348 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WAYNE M HOFFMAN, DIR. OF BROAD INC. (TICKER: BRO), BOUGHT 12,800 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90324c0349 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WAYNE M HOFFMAN, DIR. OF BROAD INC. (TICKER: BRO), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,125.

-30- 298
#90324c0350 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, WILLIAM E BUSH, DIR. OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 330,200.

-30- 313
#90324c0351 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, BARRY BOOKMAN, OFFICER OF SCORE BOARD INC. (TICKER: BSBL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 312
#90324c0352 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, PAUL GOLDIN, CHAIRMAN OF SCORE BOARD INC. (TICKER: BSBL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90324c0353 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, PAUL GOLDIN, CHAIRMAN OF SCORE BOARD INC. (TICKER:

BSBL), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 586,000.

-30- 309
#90324c0355 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, FREDERICK G WASSERMAN, OFFICER OF SCORE BOARD INC. (TICKER: BSBL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 324
#90324c0356 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, J E BASSETT III, VP OF BASSETT FURNITURE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BSET), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0357 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, ALAN M HALLENE, DIR. OF BUTLER MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BTLR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 327
#90324c0358 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, RONALD E BOYER, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: CBKI), BOUGHT 543 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,882.

-30- 314
#90324c0359 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, PETER DESOTO, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: CBKI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,998.

-30- 327
#90324c0360 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, LEON E KOCHER, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: CBKI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,749.

-30- 312
#90324c0361 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ROBERT W RISSINGER, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: CBKI), BOUGHT 543 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,467.

-30- 323
#90324c0363 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, CHRISTOPHER H BUCKLEY, DIR. OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,952.

-30- 365
#90324c0364 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, DONALD P CALCAGNINI, PRES. OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0365 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, DONALD P CALCAGNINI, PRES. OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,014.

-30- 368
#90324c0366 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, JOSEPH A CAMILLERI, PRES. OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,584.

-30- 366
#90324c0367 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 20, 1990, ENZO R MONTESSI, SHAREHOLDER OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 337
#90324c0368 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ENZO R MONTESSI, SHAREHOLDER OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,532.

-30- 375
#90324c0369 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ENZO R MONTESSI, SHAREHOLDER OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,277.

-30- 377
#90324c0371 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 22, 1990, LOUIS F TAGLIATELA, DIR. OF CONSTITUTION BANCORP OF NEW ENGLAND INC. (TICKER: CBNE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90324c0372 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, SETH A RESNICOFF, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: CBNH), BOUGHT 3,300 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,889.

-30- 333
#90324c0373 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RICHARD A HASTINGS, VP OF CAREERCOM CORP. (TICKER: CCM), BOUGHT 625 SHARES AT $2.96 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,225.

-30- 299
#90324c0374 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.84 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90324c0375 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.87 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90324c0376 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $0.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90324c0377 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90324c0379 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.76 PER SHARE.

-30- 292
#90324c0380 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.79 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90324c0381 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, G ROLAND KERSTEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,764,869.

-30- 332
#90324c0382 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JOHN B JOSEPH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE CENTENNIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: CEQ), BOUGHT 24,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90324c0383 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN B JOSEPH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE CENTENNIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: CEQ), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90324c0384 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOHN B JOSEPH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE CENTENNIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: CEQ), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90324c0385 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOHN B JOSEPH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE CENTENNIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: CEQ), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90324c0387 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOHN B JOSEPH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE CENTENNIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: CEQ), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90324c0388 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JOHN B JOSEPH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE CENTENNIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: CEQ), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90324c0389 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOHN B JOSEPH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE CENTENNIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: CEQ), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90324c0390 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOHN B JOSEPH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE CENTENNIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: CEQ), BOUGHT 3,700 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,407,306.

-30- 350
#90324c0391 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 05, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $38.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,815,690.

-30- 378
#90324c0392 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DANIEL AMSTER, DIR. OF CITIZENS FIRST BANCORP INC. (NJ)

(TICKER: CFB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,877.

-30- 338
#90324c0393 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, DAVID L GOODMAN, OFFICER OF THE CLOROX CO. (TICKER: CLX), SOLD 550 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,673.

-30- 303
#90324c0395 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PAUL M COOK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. (TICKER: CMFB), SOLD 33,000 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 779,876.

-30- 348
#90324c0396 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, BRENDAN J CASSIN, DIR. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 37,000 SHARES AT $18.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90324c0397 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, BRENDAN J CASSIN, DIR. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 32,962 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 332
#90324c0398 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, JEFFREY C RICE, PRES. OF COMTREX SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: COMX), BOUGHT 80,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90324c0399 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JEFFREY C RICE, PRES. OF COMTREX SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: COMX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.27 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 225,000.

-30- 321
#90324c0400 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, E W KELLEY, CHAIRMAN OF CONSOLIDATED PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: COPI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 208,982.

-30- 327
#90324c0401 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, RALPH HARRINGTON, DIR. OF CENTRAL & SOUTHERN HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CSBC), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,000.

-30- 343
#90324c0403 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, STEPHEN P MUNN, PRES. OF CARLISLE COS. (TICKER: CSL), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $28.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90324c0404 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, STEPHEN P MUNN, PRES. OF CARLISLE COS. (TICKER: CSL), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,600.

-30- 296
#90324c0405 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JAMES S SPEIRS, VP OF COM SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CTM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 266
#90324c0406 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JAMES S SPEIRS, VP OF COM SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CTM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,070.

-30- 302
#90324c0407 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90324c0408 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90324c0409 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, MICHAEL P DEANGELO, DIR. OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90324c0411 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, STEVE GORLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CYTRX CORP. (TICKER: CYTR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,526,696.

-30- 302
#90324c0412 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WILLIAM F DONOVAN, CHAIRMAN OF DOCTORS REHABILITATION CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: DRRC), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,543,083.

-30- 366
#90324c0413 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, WILLIAM F DONOVAN, CHAIRMAN OF DOCTORS REHABILITATION CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: DRRC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90324c0414 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ROBERT J HOVLAND, DIR. OF DEV-TECH CORP. (TICKER: DVTC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $0.83 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90324c0415 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, CHARLES P DRIVER, VP OF DIXIE YARNS INC. (TICKER: DXYN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,822.

-30- 304
#90324c0416 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, EDWIN T COHEN, DIR. OF ENSCOR INC. (TICKER: ENCR), SOLD 104,000 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90324c0417 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, BRIAN HOYES, DIR. OF ENSCOR INC. (TICKER: ENCR), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,000.

-30- 291
#90324c0419 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, WALTER H BARANDIARAN, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $1.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90324c0420 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, WALTER H BARANDIARAN, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90324c0421 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, WALTER H BARANDIARAN, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90324c0422 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, WALTER H BARANDIARAN, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,362.

-30- 356
#90324c0423 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, WALTER H BARANDIARAN, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 358
#90324c0424 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, DUANE W BELL, VP OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 3,598 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,322.

-30- 303
#90324c0425 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, NEIL K COOPERRIDER, VP OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 11,533 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,787.

-30- 320
#90324c0427 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT A KADLEC, DIR. OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 180,880.

-30- 317
#90324c0428 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, SUBBAIAH V MALLADI, DIR. OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 114,664 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 318,016.

-30- 323
#90324c0429 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, MCCARTHY FAMILY TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 398,597 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,508,383.

-30- 349
#90324c0430 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, MCCARTHY FAMILY TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 73,043 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,435,340.

-30- 347
#90324c0431 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROGER L MCCARTHY, CHAIRMAN OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 398,597 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,508,383.

-30- 334
#90324c0432 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, ROGER L MCCARTHY, CHAIRMAN OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 73,043 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,435,340.

-30- 332
#90324c0433 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, PIOTR D MONCARZ, CHAIRMAN OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 13,532 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,508.

-30- 324
#90324c0435 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CHARLES A RAU JR, CHAIRMAN OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 135,393 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 455,327.

-30- 325
#90324c0436 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, BERNARD ROSS, CHAIRMAN OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 131,056 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 412,324.

-30- 320
#90324c0437 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, RICHARD L TAVROW, DIR. OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 3,657 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,303.

-30- 315

#90324c0438 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JERRELL M THOMAS, DIR. OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 80,000 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 229,620.

-30- 318
#90324c0439 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, CLIFFORD H WELLS, DIR. OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 20,055 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,485.

-30- 316
#90324c0440 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, FOOTE CONE & BELDING ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF FOOTE CONE & BELDING COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: FCB), BOUGHT 45,053 SHARES AT $22.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,526,519.

-30- 400
#90324c0441 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JAMES P GORTER, DIR. OF FOREMOST CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: FCOA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 318
#90324c0443 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, JAMES A PERKINS, VP OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: FDX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $33.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90324c0444 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JAMES A PERKINS, VP OF FEDERAL EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER:

FDX), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $33.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,272.

-30- 315
#90324c0445 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, LANDON V ALEXANDER, VP OF USF&G CORP. (TICKER: FG), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,606.

-30- 293
#90324c0446 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, DENNIS R ASCHER, VP OF THE FOOTHILL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FGI), SOLD 5,309 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90324c0447 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, STEPHEN C DIAMOND, VP OF FIRST CHICAGO CORP. (TICKER: FNB), SOLD 1,440 SHARES AT $14.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,116.

-30- 313
#90324c0448 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, BARRY F SULLIVAN, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST CHICAGO CORP. (TICKER: FNB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,800.

-30- 324
#90324c0449 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, CHRISTINE B LANG, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 927 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,411.

-30- 334

#90324c0451 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90324c0452 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90324c0453 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 65,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 638,292.

-30- 351
#90324c0454 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, TRIUMPH LOR INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90324c0455 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, TRIUMPH LOR INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90324c0456 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, TRIUMPH LOR INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE FORSCHNER GROUP INC. (TICKER: FSNR), BOUGHT 65,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 634,000.

-30- 337
#90324c0457 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, FREDRIC G BADER, OFFICER OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI), SOLD 849 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90324c0459 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOSEPH J JACOBS, DIR. OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $37.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90324c0460 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOSEPH J JACOBS, DIR. OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 346,544.

-30- 329
#90324c0461 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, DAVID B LUTHER, VP OF CORNING INC. (TICKER: GLW), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90324c0462 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, DAVID B LUTHER, VP OF CORNING INC. (TICKER: GLW), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $40.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90324c0463 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, DAVID B LUTHER, VP OF CORNING INC. (TICKER: GLW), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $40.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 258
#90324c0464 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, DAVID B LUTHER, VP OF CORNING INC. (TICKER: GLW), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $39.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,713.

-30- 294
#90324c0465 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM L BENNETT, DIR. OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90324c0467 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WILLIAM L BENNETT, DIR. OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 26,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90324c0468 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WILLIAM L BENNETT, DIR. OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90324c0469 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, WILLIAM L BENNETT, DIR. OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 15,200 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90324c0470 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM L BENNETT, DIR. OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 7,800 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90324c0471 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WILLIAM L BENNETT, DIR. OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90324c0472 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WILLIAM L BENNETT, DIR. OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90324c0473 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, WILLIAM L BENNETT, DIR. OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,237,700.

-30- 344
#90324c0475 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90324c0476 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 26,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90324c0477 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL

RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90324c0478 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 15,200 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90324c0479 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 7,800 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90324c0480 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90324c0481 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 323
#90324c0483 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, STEVEN D BENCH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 280,000.

-30- 340
#90324c0484 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, H FREDERICK CHRISTIE, DIR. OF GREAT WESTERN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GWF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 342
#90324c0485 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, THOMAS J NOLAN, VP OF HAKO MINUTEMAN INC. (TICKER: HAKO), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90324c0486 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, THOMAS J NOLAN, VP OF HAKO MINUTEMAN INC. (TICKER: HAKO), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 302
#90324c0487 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, BERNARD A GIROD, VP OF HARMAN INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HAR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,700.

-30- 324
#90324c0488 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, DON M CASTO III, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 280 SHARES AT $10.77 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,947.

-30- 328
#90324c0489 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 31, 1990, RAYMOND H BRINKMAN, VP OF HILLS DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: HDS), SOLD 27,554 SHARES AT $3.08 PER SHARE.

-30- 297

#90324c0491 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, CHARLES B JURGENSMEYER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HUDSON FOODS INC. (TICKER: HFI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,300.

-30- 348
#90324c0492 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, BARRY NOAH HEIMLICH, CHAIRMAN OF HIMEDICS INC. (TICKER: HMED), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 107,000.

-30- 323
#90324c0493 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, BARRY NOAH HEIMLICH, CHAIRMAN OF HIMEDICS INC. (TICKER: HMED), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90324c0494 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, BARRY NOAH HEIMLICH, CHAIRMAN OF HIMEDICS INC. (TICKER: HMED), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90324c0495 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, ELLEN K HEIMLICH, OFFICER OF HIMEDICS INC. (TICKER: HMED), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90324c0496 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, ELLEN K HEIMLICH, OFFICER OF HIMEDICS INC. (TICKER: HMED), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90324c0497 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ELLEN K HEIMLICH, OFFICER OF HIMEDICS INC. (TICKER: HMED), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 199,500.

-30- 318
#90324c0499 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, VERNON D HERBST, CHAIRMAN OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90324c0500 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, GEORGE T BAKER, VP OF INTERNATIONAL GAME TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: IGAM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 326
#90324c0501 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, INTERVEN II LP, BEN. OWNER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), BOUGHT 72,000 SHARES AT $1.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90324c0502 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, INTERVEN II LP, BEN. OWNER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), BOUGHT 4,563 SHARES AT $1.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90324c0503 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, INTERVEN II LP, BEN. OWNER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER:

IKOS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90324c0504 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, INTERVEN II LP, BEN. OWNER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90324c0505 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, INTERVEN II LP, BEN. OWNER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), BOUGHT 32,275 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90324c0507 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, INTERVEN II LP, BEN. OWNER OF IKOS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IKOS), BOUGHT 99,500 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,204,453.

-30- 330
#90324c0508 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, E L HAWK, OFFICER OF INTELLICORP INC. (TICKER: INAI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90324c0509 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, E L HAWK, OFFICER OF INTELLICORP INC. (TICKER: INAI), SOLD 55,000 SHARES AT $1.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,504.

-30- 306
#90324c0510 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, LAURENCE R HOOTNICK, VP OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $33.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90324c0511 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, LAURENCE R HOOTNICK, VP OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $34.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90324c0512 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, LAURENCE R HOOTNICK, VP OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC), SOLD 3,313 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5.

-30- 294
#90324c0513 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, MAURICE H ESPERSETH, DIR. OF INTER-TEL INC. (TICKER: INTL), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,404.

-30- 314
#90324c0515 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JOHN MALEC, AFFILIATED PERSON OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90324c0516 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOHN MALEC, AFFILIATED PERSON OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $9.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,438,909.

-30- 352
#90324c0517 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, BYRON C HAMILTON, DIR. OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0518 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, BYRON C HAMILTON, DIR. OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90324c0519 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, BYRON C HAMILTON, DIR. OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,533.

-30- 331
#90324c0520 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, MORGAN GUARANTY COMMINGLED PENSION TR, BEN. OWNER OF KAYDON CORP. (TICKER: KDON), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90324c0521 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, MORGAN GUARANTY COMMINGLED PENSION TR, BEN. OWNER OF KAYDON CORP. (TICKER: KDON), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90324c0523 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MORGAN GUARANTY COMMINGLED PENSION TR, BEN. OWNER OF KAYDON CORP. (TICKER: KDON), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $30.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 325

#90324c0524 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, MORGAN GUARANTY COMMINGLED PENSION TR, BEN. OWNER OF KAYDON CORP. (TICKER: KDON), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90324c0525 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MORGAN GUARANTY COMMINGLED PENSION TR, BEN. OWNER OF KAYDON CORP. (TICKER: KDON), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90324c0526 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MORGAN GUARANTY COMMINGLED PENSION TR, BEN. OWNER OF KAYDON CORP. (TICKER: KDON), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90324c0527 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, MORGAN GUARANTY COMMINGLED PENSION TR, BEN. OWNER OF KAYDON CORP. (TICKER: KDON), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 795,000.

-30- 364
#90324c0528 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, DALE J GONZALEZ, VP OF KIT MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: KIT), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 311
#90324c0529 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1989, DIRK KERKHOFF, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KERKHOFF INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: KIX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101,464.

-30- 351
#90324c0531 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1989, PETER KERKHOFF, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KERKHOFF INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: KIX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101,464.

-30- 352
#90324c0532 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 31, 1989, WILLEM KERKHOFF, CHAIRMAN OF KERKHOFF INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: KIX), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101,464.

-30- 337
#90324c0533 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, RICHARD G CAPEN JR, DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $37.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,235.

-30- 311
#90324c0534 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, WILLIAM S LEE, DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $39.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 299
#90324c0535 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, DANIEL DROR, PRES. OF KLEER-VU INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: KVU), SOLD 22,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90324c0536 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, DANIEL DROR, PRES. OF KLEER-VU INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER:

KVU), SOLD 14,100 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 309
#90324c0537 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RONALD T LARIZZA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF LARIZZA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: LII), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,868,406.

-30- 365
#90324c0539 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 10, 1990, CARL H GALLOWAY, VP OF LAWSON MARDON GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LMG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,050.

-30- 315
#90324c0540 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, HUGH BENNETT, DIV. OFFICER OF LORAL CORP. (TICKER: LOR), SOLD 3,906 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,650.

-30- 306
#90324c0541 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, MARK F EMERSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MAX & ERMA'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: MAXE), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $3.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 144,251.

-30- 359
#90324c0542 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, GEORGE M SENSOR, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 3,038 SHARES AT $25.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,912.

-30- 314

#90324c0543 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM C GRIFFITH JR, DIR. OF MERCHANTS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MCHN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90324c0544 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WILLIAM C GRIFFITH JR, DIR. OF MERCHANTS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MCHN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90324c0545 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WILLIAM C GRIFFITH JR, DIR. OF MERCHANTS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MCHN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90324c0547 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, WILLIAM C GRIFFITH JR, DIR. OF MERCHANTS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MCHN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 387,375.

-30- 334
#90324c0548 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 23,525 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0549 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0550 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 19,700 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0551 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 19,400 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0552 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 20,300 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0553 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 20,400 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0555 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 20,800 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0556 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 14,500 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0557 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0558 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 18,500 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0559 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 18,700 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0560 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 18,600 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0561 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 19,000 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0563 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 19,300 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0564 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 18,700 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0565 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 17,100 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0566 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 18,200 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90324c0567 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 7,700 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90324c0568 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90324c0569 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 7,700 SHARES AT $48.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 324
#90324c0571 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, MAX A COON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MEDAR INC. (TICKER: MDXR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90324c0572 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MAX A COON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MEDAR INC. (TICKER: MDXR), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,500.

-30- 317
#90324c0573 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, LAURETTE M BEACH, DIR. OF MEM COMPANY INC (TICKER: MEM), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90324c0574 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, LAURETTE M BEACH, DIR. OF MEM COMPANY INC (TICKER: MEM), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,230,491.

-30- 320
#90324c0575 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, RICHARD D WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF MALARTIC HYGRADE GOLD MINES (CANADA) LTD. (TICKER: MHG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,400.

-30- 370
#90324c0576 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOHNSTON PETER O LAWSON, DIR. OF MCGRAW-HILL INC.

(TICKER: MHP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $54.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 318
#90324c0577 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, FRED P LAMPROPOULOS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MERIT MEDICAL SYS INC. (TICKER: MMSI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90324c0579 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, FRED P LAMPROPOULOS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MERIT MEDICAL SYS INC. (TICKER: MMSI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.24 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 823,318.

-30- 353
#90324c0580 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, MORRIS D THOMPSON JR, DIR. OF MITCHELL ENERGY & DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: MND), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90324c0581 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, MORRIS D THOMPSON JR, DIR. OF MITCHELL ENERGY & DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: MND), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $22.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,792.

-30- 353
#90324c0582 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JOHN A PUELICHER, CHAIRMAN OF MARSHALL & ILSLEY CORP. (TICKER: MRIS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,000.

-30- 338

#90324c0583 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 24, 1990, NICHOLAS M BERARDI, OFFICER OF MEMRY CORP. (TICKER: MRMT), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $2.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 304
#90324c0584 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOHN M DAVIS, PRES. OF MILLER BUILDING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MTIK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 325
#90324c0585 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RUSSELL N MAMMEL, PRES. OF NASH FINCH CO. (TICKER: NAFC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,650.

-30- 308
#90324c0587 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, CHARLES W COKER JR, DIR. OF NCNB CORP. (TICKER: NCB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,500.

-30- 299
#90324c0588 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, WILLIAM J BOWERMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NKE), SOLD 2,151 SHARES AT $84.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90324c0589 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JOHN KEAN, PRES. OF NUI CORP. (TICKER: NUI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,806.

-30- 285
#90324c0590 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOE D SPHAR, OFFICER OF NEW MEXICO & ARIZONA LAND CO. (TICKER: NZ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90324c0591 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JOE D SPHAR, OFFICER OF NEW MEXICO & ARIZONA LAND CO. (TICKER: NZ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90324c0592 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOE D SPHAR, OFFICER OF NEW MEXICO & ARIZONA LAND CO. (TICKER: NZ), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,405.

-30- 330
#90324c0593 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, LITTLETON E WALKER, VP OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC. (TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90324c0595 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, LITTLETON E WALKER, VP OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC. (TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,500.

-30- 321
#90324c0596 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN W WESTMAN, OFFICER OF BANC ONE CORP. (TICKER: ONE),

BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,297.

-30- 307
#90324c0597 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ROLAND SEIDLER JR, DIR. OF OPTICAL RADIATION CORP. (TICKER: ORCO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $22.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,050.

-30- 327
#90324c0598 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 28, 1990, HOWEL H HOPSON, DIR. OF PHOENIX ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: PATI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90324c0599 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ARNOLD L ZIMMERMAN, DIR. OF PHOENIX ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: PATI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,580.

-30- 348
#90324c0600 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, ROBERT E MILLER, OFFICER OF PENWEST LTD. (TICKER: PENW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,880.

-30- 305
#90324c0601 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, THOMAS A MOORE, VP OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 2,310 SHARES AT $79.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,764.

-30- 307
#90324c0603 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOHN V GOODGER, VP OF PIONEER-STANDARD ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: PIOS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 333
#90324c0604 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, GLENN L GOLDBERG, VP OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90324c0605 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, GLENN L GOLDBERG, VP OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90324c0606 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GLENN L GOLDBERG, VP OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,200.

-30- 310
#90324c0607 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOHN M KRIAK, VP OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90324c0608 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JOHN M KRIAK, VP OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 265

#90324c0609 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOHN M KRIAK, VP OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 298
#90324c0611 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, DENNIS R ALEXANDER, CHAIRMAN OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 18,750 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0612 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, DENNIS R ALEXANDER, CHAIRMAN OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 9,550 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,362,647.

-30- 330
#90324c0613 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, FRED J CONFORTI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PITTWAY CORP. (DEL) (TICKER: PRY), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,810.

-30- 339
#90324c0614 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF PAR TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PTC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 304
#90324c0615 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, DRURY J GALLAGHER, DIR. OF POWER SPECTRA INC. (TICKER: PWSP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 222,444.

-30- 319
#90324c0616 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, DRURY J GALLAGHER, DIR. OF POWER SPECTRA INC. (TICKER: PWSP), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 224,444.

-30- 319
#90324c0617 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, FRANK CASTELLANA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90324c0619 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, FRANK CASTELLANA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90324c0620 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, FRANK CASTELLANA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90324c0621 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, FRANK CASTELLANA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90324c0622 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, FRANK CASTELLANA, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX

INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 367,810.

-30- 358
#90324c0623 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HARVEY P MALLEMENT, DIR. OF SYMBOL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 41,900 SHARES AT $7.54 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90324c0624 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, HARVEY P MALLEMENT, DIR. OF SYMBOL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $7.68 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90324c0625 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, HARVEY P MALLEMENT, DIR. OF SYMBOL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 5,300 SHARES AT $8.02 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90324c0627 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, PETER NISSELSON, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SPEED-O-PRINT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP. (TICKER: SBM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 364
#90324c0628 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PETER NISSELSON, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SPEED-O-PRINT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP. (TICKER: SBM), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 521,052.

-30- 396
#90324c0629 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM R BARKSDALE III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: SCOT), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,765.

-30- 382
#90324c0630 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DAVID E GOFORTH, VP OF STERLING ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SEC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,800.

-30- 323
#90324c0631 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90324c0632 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90324c0633 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 1,370 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90324c0635 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90324c0636 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.47 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90324c0637 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90324c0638 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, STEPHEN R NAGEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 15,330 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,250,080.

-30- 363
#90324c0639 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JR B EUGENE BROWN, SHAREHOLDER OF SEAGULL ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: SGO), SOLD 2,800 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90324c0640 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JR B EUGENE BROWN, SHAREHOLDER OF SEAGULL ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: SGO), SOLD 3,288 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90324c0641 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90324c0643 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90324c0644 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90324c0645 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90324c0646 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 120,000.

-30- 325
#90324c0647 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,800 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0648 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 7,700 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0649 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90324c0651 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0652 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90324c0653 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90324c0654 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0655 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90324c0656 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 38,400 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90324c0657 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 8,200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0659 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0660 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0661 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90324c0662 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90324c0663 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0664 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 8,800 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0665 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90324c0667 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0668 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 458,800.

-30- 326
#90324c0669 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, D RONALD DUREN, BEN. OWNER OF SILICON GENERAL INC.

(TICKER: SILN), BOUGHT 5,200 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,200.

-30- 327
#90324c0670 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, D RONALD DUREN, BEN. OWNER OF SILICON GENERAL INC. (TICKER: SILN), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 323
#90324c0671 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CHUCK C THOMPSON, DIV. OFFICER OF SILICON GENERAL INC. (TICKER: SILN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 337
#90324c0672 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, DANIEL J KELLEHER, DIR. OF SILICON VALLEY BANCSHARES (TICKER: SIVB), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,986.

-30- 338
#90324c0673 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, WELDON B JOLLEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: SPI), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90324c0675 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, WELDON B JOLLEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: SPI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 312

#90324c0676 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, WELDON B JOLLEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: SPI), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90324c0677 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, WELDON B JOLLEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: SPI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90324c0678 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, WELDON B JOLLEY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: SPI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,680.

-30- 350
#90324c0679 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 29, 1989, FRANKLIN C GOLDEN, DIR. OF SOUTHEASTERN SAVINGS INSTNS FUND INC. (TICKER: SSIF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 346
#90324c0680 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 30, 1990, ROGER W STONE, CHAIRMAN OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), BOUGHT 15,400 SHARES AT $13.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 627,037.

-30- 329
#90324c0681 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, DAVID J NOBLE, CHAIRMAN OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0683 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, DAVID J NOBLE, CHAIRMAN OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0684 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, DAVID J NOBLE, CHAIRMAN OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 74,910.

-30- 329
#90324c0685 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JAMES H SAMMONS, DIR. OF SUBURBAN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SUBB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,100.

-30- 321
#90324c0686 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM A COOPER, CHAIRMAN OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90324c0687 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM A COOPER, CHAIRMAN OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90324c0688 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WILLIAM A COOPER, CHAIRMAN OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90324c0689 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM A COOPER, CHAIRMAN OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90324c0691 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WILLIAM A COOPER, CHAIRMAN OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,710.

-30- 322
#90324c0692 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ROBERT E EVANS, CHAIRMAN OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 2,800 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,839.

-30- 319
#90324c0693 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, DANIEL F MAY, CHAIRMAN OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90324c0694 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, DANIEL F MAY, CHAIRMAN OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90324c0695 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, DANIEL F MAY, CHAIRMAN OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,717.

-30- 314
#90324c0696 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, THOMAS J MCGOUGH, DIR. OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 1,574 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 318
#90324c0697 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, GREGORY J PULLES, OFFICER OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 355 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,789.

-30- 318
#90324c0699 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, THOMAS J PERKINS, CHAIRMAN OF TANDEM COMPUTERS INC. (TICKER: TDM), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90324c0700 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, THOMAS J PERKINS, CHAIRMAN OF TANDEM COMPUTERS INC. (TICKER: TDM), BOUGHT 75,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,098,936.

-30- 336
#90324c0701 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DONALD C CLARK, DIR. OF HYDROGEN ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: THEC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90324c0702 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, DONALD C CLARK, DIR. OF HYDROGEN ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: THEC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90324c0703 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, DONALD C CLARK, DIR. OF HYDROGEN ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: THEC), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90324c0704 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, DONALD C CLARK, DIR. OF HYDROGEN ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: THEC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90324c0705 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, DONALD C CLARK, DIR. OF HYDROGEN ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: THEC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 371,899.

-30- 317
#90324c0707 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 14, 1988, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0708 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1988, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC.

(TICKER: THR), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90324c0709 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1988, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC.
(TICKER: THR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0710 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 20, 1988, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC.
(TICKER: THR), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0711 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 21, 1988, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC.
(TICKER: THR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS
TO 4,855,845.

-30- 333
#90324c0712 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1988, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC.
(TICKER: THR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0713 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 13, 1988, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC.
(TICKER: THR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90324c0715 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 17, 1988, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,682,881.

-30- 330
#90324c0716 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 14, 1988, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90324c0717 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 14, 1988, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90324c0718 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1988, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90324c0719 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 18, 1988, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90324c0720 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 20, 1988, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90324c0721 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 21, 1988, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,815,145.

-30- 357
#90324c0723 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, ROY E HOCK, CHAIRMAN OF TECHNITROL INC. (TICKER: TNL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90324c0724 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, ROY E HOCK, CHAIRMAN OF TECHNITROL INC. (TICKER: TNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90324c0725 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ROY E HOCK, CHAIRMAN OF TECHNITROL INC. (TICKER: TNL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,025.

-30- 307
#90324c0726 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, PURDY CRAWFORD, DIR. OF TRINOVA CORP. (TICKER: TNV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,010.

-30- 299
#90324c0727 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, THOMAS J MCGRATH, VP OF TRAK AUTO CORP. (TICKER: TRKA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 296
#90324c0728 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 27, 1986, SPECTRUM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: TXCO), SOLD 900,000 SHARES AT $0.33 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90324c0729 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 03, 1986, SPECTRUM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: TXCO), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90324c0731 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, PETER F CARLETON, DIR. OF TEXAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TXI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90324c0732 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, PETER F CARLETON, DIR. OF TEXAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TXI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 916.

-30- 303
#90324c0733 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, TEXTRON INC ESSP, BEN. OWNER OF TEXTRON INC. (TICKER: TXT), BOUGHT 297,017 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90324c0734 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 06, 1988, LEONARD J BRUCE, CHAIRMAN OF VALLEN CORP. (TICKER: VALN), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,000.

-30- 312

#90324c0735 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, R W BRIGGS JR, DIR. OF VICTORIA BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: VICT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,000.

-30- 326
#90324c0736 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 02, 1990, ROGER G KENNEDY, DIR. OF VESTAR INC. (TICKER: VSTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.28 PER SHARE.

-30- 263
#90324c0737 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ROGER G KENNEDY, DIR. OF VESTAR INC. (TICKER: VSTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 301
#90324c0739 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOHN C SHEALY, OFFICER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,150 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90324c0740 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOHN C SHEALY, OFFICER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,150.

-30- 323
#90324c0741 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, WILLIAM M SHIELDS, VP OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,084.

-30- 313
#90324c0742 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, ROBERT M SMELICK, DIR. OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 321
#90324c0743 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY INTERSOUTH PARTNERS II OWNS 1,500,000 SHARES (31.90%) OF MICROWAVE LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: MWAV) OF RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Intersouth acquired 1 million shares according to the terms of a purchase agreement that gives it the right to nominate two directors to the board. Intersouth will nominate Dougherty and Rodwell.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Intersouth Partners II, et al. bought 500,000 shares from Sept. 7 to Oct. 26, 1990 at $.30 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 732
#90324c0744 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

T.A. TURNER OWNS 1,530,170 SHARES (11.40%) OF RESURGENS COMMUNICATIONS GROUP INC. (TICKER: RCG) OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In consideration for terminating a previous option agreement, Turner entered

into a promissory note, dated Nov. 1, 1990, agreeing to pay $1,569,189 to a certain lender on Sept. 15, 1991, with 12 percent interest. The note is secured by 635,593 shares. Turner granted the lender an option to purchase 63,556 shares. According to a Nov. 6 option agreement, Turner granted an option to Hopson to buy the shares purchased under the pledge agreement with the lender. On the same date, Turner entered into a letter agreement with John D. Feltman that gives him a 50 percent interest in 317,779 shares pledged under the pledge agreement. Feltman will also endorse the Nov. 1 promissory note.

PURPOSE:

Grant of options.

-30- 1088
#90324c0747 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.F. Shea Co. bought 186,000 shares for $128,135 and Edmund H. Shea sold 186,000 shares for $127,614.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 344
#90324c0749 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY A. NASH OWNS 57,600 SHARES (6.10%) OF ELK ASSOC FUNDING CORP. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 6, 1990, A. Nash, et al. bought 13,000 shares at $4.50 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 429
#90324c0750 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

RD HUBBARD OWNS 391,882 SHARES (9.90%) OF HOLLYWOOD PARK ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: HTRF) OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 19, Hubbard and the company announced that they had reached an agreement to dismiss Hubbard's suit and to confirm that HP Realty's poison pill does not apply to public proxy contests or consent solicitations. On the same date, Hubbard was elected to Realty's board. He stated that unless a satisfactory settlement with HP Operating Co., he is prepared to proceed with his proxy contest and consent solicitation.

-30- 769
#90324c0751 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 15, 1990, ENSERCH (TICKER: ENS) distributed 2 million shares to its shareholders.

PURPOSE:

Distribution of shares.

-30- 338
#90324c0752 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD. OWNS 203,450 SHARES (2.11%) OF US WEST NEWVECTOR GROUP (TICKER: USWN) OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 394
#90324c0753 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

C. SEAMAN OF ROSLYN, NEW YORK OWNS 4,134,067 SHARES (25.40%) OF CENTURION GOLD LTD. (TICKER: CEUM) OF AUBURN, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

C. Seaman acquired 1,036,335 shares on Nov. 16, 1990 for $497,440 through conversion of debt held in the issuer. Seaman also waived all $287,463 in accrued interest.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 540
#90324c0754 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC. OWNS 11,828,904 SHARES (30.10%) OF ORS CORP. (TICKER: ORSC) OF CALGARY, ALBERTA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Maguire Foundation Inc. intends to sell 50,000 shares from Nov. 19 to Dec. 10 in the open market.

-30- 420
#90324c0755 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

SHEET METAL WORKERS NATIONAL PENSION FUND OWNS 27,347,109 SHARES (68.03%) OF CHRONAR CORP. (TICKER: CRNR) OF LAWRENCEVILLE, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Chronar Corp., Energetics Jungere Corp., and Advanced Photovoltaic Systems Inc. have continued their discussions regarding the reallocation of responsibilities for the development of Chronar's Eureka project and related research activities, and the scaling back of Chronar's operations, which discussions resulted in an agreement between the parties, dated Nov. 15, 1990. Pursuant to the on-going conversations, Chronar has announced that,unless these discussions yield acceptable arrangements by which Chronar receives additional cash by the end of November, that it will be forced at that time to terminate its operations. There can be no assurance that the parties will reach agreement or that Chronar's severe liquidity constraints will be relieved.

PURPOSE:

Agreement dated Nov. 15, 1990.

-30- 1183
#90324c0757 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

BROWN INVESTMENT CO. OWNS 1,166,346 SHARES (8.00%) OF ROBERTSON-CECO CORP. (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Brown Investment Co. acquired its company shares through the merger of H.H. Robertson Co. with Ceco Industries Inc. on Nov. 8, 1990. After the merger, Frontera SA, Mulligan Partnership (Frontera's designee), and certain affiliates bought 4 million common shares according to a stock purchase agreement between Robertson, Ceco and Frontera. Certain of the Frontera parties also acquired 540,300 shares in exchange for Robertson common stock purchase before the merger. According to a stockholders' agreement, the First City Financial Corp. parties, the Ceco stockholders (including Brown Investment Co.) and Frontera, agreed to vote their shares to elect seven directors nominated by them.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares through merger.

-30- 1110
#90324c0758 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

E.E. SCHULZE OWNS 248,359 SHARES (1.70%) OF ROBERTSON-CECO CORP.(TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

E.E. Schulze acquired its company shares through the merger of H.H. Robertson Co. with Ceco Industries Inc. on Nov. 8, 1990. After the merger, Frontera SA, Mulligan Partnership (Frontera's designee), and certain affiliates bought 4 million common shares according to a stock purchase agreement between Robertson, Ceco and Frontera. Certain of the Frontera parties also acquired 540,300 shares in exchange for Robertson common stock purchase before the merger. According to a stockholders' agreement, the First City Financial Corp. parties, the Ceco stockholders and Frontera, agreed to vote their shares to elect seven directors nominated by them. E.E. Schulze may be deemed to own 5 percent of the company's stock as a result of entering into the stockholders' agreement.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares through merger.

-30- 1177
#90324c0759 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

G.L. FAULSTICH JR OWNS 170,427 SHARES (1.20%) OF ROBERTSON-CECO CORP. (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

G.L. Faulstich, et al. acquired its company shares through the merger of H.H. Robertson Co. with Ceco Industries Inc. on Nov. 8, 1990. After the merger, Frontera SA, Mulligan Partnership (Frontera's designee), and certain affiliates bought 4 million common shares according to a stock purchase agreement between Robertson, Ceco and Frontera. Certain of the Frontera parties also acquired 540,300 shares in exchange for Robertson common stock purchase before the merger. According to a stockholders' agreement, the First City Financial Corp. parties, the Ceco stockholders and Frontera, agreed to vote their shares to elect seven directors nominated by them. G.L. Faulstich, et al. may be deemed to own 5 percent of the company's stock as a result of entering into the stockholders' agreement.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares through merger.

-30- 1202
#90324c0760 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY L.M. BROWN OWNS 2,044,197 SHARES (14.00%) OF ROBERTSON-CECO CORP. (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

L.M. Brown, et al. acquired his company shares through the merger of H.H. Robertson Co.with Ceco Industries Inc. on Nov. 8, 1990. After the merger, Frontera SA, Mulligan Partnership (Frontera's designee), and certain affiliates bought 4 million common shares according to a stock purchase agreement between Robertson, Ceco and Frontera. Certain of the Frontera parties also acquired 540,300 shares in exchange for Robertson common stock purchase before the merger. According to a stockholders' agreement, the First City Financial Corp. parties, the Ceco stockholders and Frontera, agreed to vote their shares to elect seven directors nominated by them.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares through merger.

-30- 1075
#90324c0761 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY C.F. BROWN III TRUSTEE OWNS 2,179,092 SHARES (14.90%) OF H.H. ROBERTSON CORP. (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

C.F. Brown III Trustee, et al. acquired his company shares through the merger of H.H. Robertson Co. with Ceco Industries Inc. on Nov. 8, 1990. After the merger, Frontera SA, Mulligan Partnership (Frontera's designee), and certain affiliates bought 4 million common shares according to a stock purchase agreement between Robertson, Ceco and Frontera. Certain of the Frontera parties also acquired 540,300 shares in exchange for Robertson common stock purchase before the merger. According to a stockholders' agreement, the First

City Financial Corp. parties, the Ceco stockholders and Frontera, agreed to vote their shares to elect seven directors nominated by them.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares through merger.

-30- 1098
#90324c0762 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L.R. PLAUCHE OWNS 163,131 SHARES (1.10%) OF H.H. ROBERTSON CORP. (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

L.R. Plauche acquired his company shares through the merger of H.H. Robertson Co. with Ceco Industries Inc. on Nov. 8, 1990. After the merger, Frontera SA, Mulligan Partnership (Frontera's designee), and certain affiliates bought 4 million common shares according to a stock purchase agreement between Robertson, Ceco and Frontera. Certain of the Frontera parties also acquired 540,300 shares in exchange for Robertson common stock purchase before the merger. According to a stockholders' agreement, the First City Financial Corp. parties, the Ceco stockholders and Frontera, agreed to vote their shares to elect seven directors nominated by them. L.R. Plauche may be deemed to own 5 percent of the company's stock as a result of entering into the stockholders' agreement.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares through merger.

-30- 1177
#90324c0763 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY M.H. JONES OWNS 1,338,166 SHARES (9.20%) OF H.H. ROBERTSON CORP. (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M.H. Jones, et al. acquired her company shares through the merger of H.H.

Robertson Co. with Ceco Industries Inc. on Nov. 8, 1990. After the merger, Frontera SA, Mulligan Partnership (Frontera's designee), and certain affiliates bought 4 million common shares according to a stock purchase agreement between Robertson, Ceco and Frontera. Certain of the Frontera parties also acquired 540,300 shares in exchange for Robertson common stock purchase before the merger. According to a stockholders' agreement, the First City Financial Corp. parties, the Ceco stockholders and Frontera, agreed to vote their shares to elect seven directors nominated by them.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares through merger.

-30- 1074
#90324c0765 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

F.W. SOWA OWNS 146,601 SHARES (1.00%) OF H.H. ROBERTSON CORP. (TICKER: RHH) OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

F.W. Sowa acquired his company shares through the merger of H.H. Robertson Co. with Ceco Industries Inc. on Nov. 8, 1990. After the merger, Frontera SA, Mulligan Partnership (Frontera's designee), and certain affiliates bought 4 million common shares according to a stock purchase agreement between Robertson, Ceco and Frontera. Certain of the Frontera parties also acquired 540,300 shares in exchange for Robertson common stock purchase before the merger. According to a stockholders' agreement, the First City Financial Corp. parties, the Ceco stockholders (including F.W. Sowa) and Frontera, agreed to vote their shares to elect seven directors nominated by them.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares through merger.

-30- 1063
#90324c0766 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY TWEEDY BROWN CO. LP OWNS 439,680 SHARES (5.40%) OF DCNY CORP. (TICKER: DCY) OF WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Tweedy Brown Co. LP, et al. sold 62,200 shares from Sept. 12 to Nov. 9, 1990 for $7.50 to $8.38 per share and 20,400 shares were transferred from TBC accounts.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 541
#90324c0767 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W. RAQUET OWNS 200,000 SHARES (6.20%) OF LEGAL SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS INC. (TICKER: LSFT) OF JERICHO, NEW YORK.

-30- 314
#90324c0768 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

A.H. WILMS OWNS 4,934,104 SHARES (54.00%) OF UNITED GAMING INC.(TICKER: UGAM).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to include the exhibits.

-30- 342
#90324c0769 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

J.T. AUGUST OF BALTIMORE, MARYLAND OWNS 992,340 SHARES (19.50%) OF DIAGNON CORP. (TICKER: DIGN) OF ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Diagnon Corp. repurchased 4,504,208 of its shares on July 20, 1990, thereby increasing J.T. August stake.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.T. August purchased 10,000 shares on Aug. 1, 1990 for an undisclosed amount.

-30- 547
#90324c0770 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

J.C. LANDON OF POTOMAC, MARYLAND OWNS 933,322 SHARES (18.30%) OF DIAGNON CORP. (TICKER: DIGN) OF ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Diagnon Corp. repurchased 4,504,208 of its shares on July 20, 1990, thereby increasing J.C. Landon stake from 9.7 to 18.3 percent.

-30- 463
#90324c0771 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 1,540,000 SHARES (14.55%) OF VISTA CHEMICAL CO. (TICKER: VC) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 8 and Nov. 9, 1990, Harris Associates LP, et al. purchased 175,700 shares and sold 251,600 shares for $17.08 to $22.01 per share and 1,050 shares were transferred from Harris accounts.

-30- 562
#90324c0774 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

H.J. MILLER OWNS 399,650 SHARES (6.60%) OF ATHLONE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ATH) OF PARSIPPANY, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

H.J. Miller exercised a previously disclosed option on Nov. 6, 1990 for 140,000 shares for $14,000.

-30- 430
#90324c0775 11/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 27

B.B. BAIRD TRUSTEE OWNS 6,000 SHARES (1.89%) OF CITIZENS GROWTH PROPERTIES (TICKER: CITG) OF JACKSON, MICHIGAN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

B.B. Baird Trustee is a member of a group that holds 164,400 shares and 51.86 percent of the common stock of Citizens Growth Properties.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

B.B. Baird Trustee sold 3,000 shares from Sept. 17 to Nov. 8, 1990 for $9 per share.

-30- 599
#90324d3070 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 20) - Japan's broad measure of money supply grew at an annual rate of 11.8 percent in October, but was down from 12.0 percent in September, the Bank of Japan said.

The central bank said financial factors like payments of pensions pushed up money supply but a shift to non-monetary financial assets helped to push it down.

The money supply comprises cash in circulation, bank deposits and certificates of deposit.

-30- 597
#90324d3130 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Tokyo (NOV. 20) - Japan's economy grew for the 48th consecutive month in November, the Economic Planning Agency said in a report released here Tuesday.

Japan has only nine months to go in order to match the longest uninterrupted boom period in the country's history (November 1965 to July 1970), the agency said.

The growth was buoyed by strong domestic demand together with growth in

corporate investment and consumer spending, said the report. Japan's current account surplus has also shrunk in the past few months, it added.

''High interest rates are beginning to show an effect in the construction industry but in the short term, we do not expect any change in the continued growth.'', said an agency spokesman. Prices were up 3.1 percent over last year according to the consumer index.

-30- 978

#90324d3220 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manila (NOV. 20) - The official death toll from typhoon ''Mike'' which ripped across the Philippines last week has risen to 326, authorities said here Tuesday.

According to preliminary estimates, the storm caused six billion pesos (around 222 million dollars) in damage.

A total of 491,350 families or almost 2.95 million people were left homeless, the country's National Disaster Coordinating Council said.

Unofficial reports said the number of typhoon victims could be as high as 440 persons.

-30- 674

#90324d3230 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (NOV. 20) - In an effort to sell more of its stockpiled wool, Australia is to offer the Soviet Union 500 million dollars (381 million U.S.) of credit for commodity purchases.

The offer is subject to Moscow repaying an 84 million dollar (64 million U.S.) debt owing to Australian wool exporters for wool bought before March.

A spokesman for Primary Industries Minister John Kerin said the offer included 400 million dollars (305 million U.S.) for wool and meat sales on credit and 100 million (76 million U.S.) for wheat.

The minister is on his way to Moscow to try to persuade the Soviet Union, previously one of Australia's biggest wool customers, back to the depressed wool market.

Mr. Kerin, who will also visit Europe, China and Japan, arrives in Moscow on Thursday with his delegation, which includes senior officials of the Australian Wool Corporation.

The spokesman said the Soviet Union would have 240 days to repay the 400 million dollar facility which would be provided on a renewable basis, and two

years to repay the 100 million.

-30- 1256
#90324d3240 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 20) - The Japanese government Tuesday decided to allow foreign securities companies having no offices in Japan to engage in direct transactions with individual Japanese investors starting next Monday.

Tuesday's decision approved at a Cabinet meeting is part of the ongoing liberalization of the Japanese financial markets, Finance Ministry officials said.

Under the current regulations, foreign securities companies are allowed to deal with individual Japanese investors only after obtaining a license from the Finance Ministry and opening an branch office here.

Those firms with no offices have been allowed to trade with Japanese financial companies.

But trading in futures and options is not included in the changes this time, the officials said.

-30- 975
#90324d3260 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 20) - Japanese construction giant Kaijima Corp. said Tuesday its net profit advnaced 26.8 percent from a year earlier to 13.5 billion yen (98 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, one of Japan's biggest contractors, said sales grew 18.5 per cent to 715 billion yen (5.2 billion dollars) in the same period.

Revenue from building activities leapt 25.4 percent to 569 billion yen (4.1 billion dollars) but revenue from civil engineering projects fell 5.4 percent to 125 billion yen (906 million dollars). Revenue from urban development projects rose 17.1 percent to 21 billion yen (152 million dollars).

Kajima forecast a net profit of 44 billion yen (319 million dollars) in the full year on sales of 1,720 billion yen (12.5 billion dollars).

-30- 947
#90324d3270 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 20) - Japan's two biggest carmakers, Toyota Motor Corp. and Nissan Motor Co. Ltd., announced Tuesday record production and sales figures for the month of October accompanied by sharp rebounds in exports.

Toyota said its output of motor vehicles grew 14.5 per cent from a year earlier to a record 406,320 units. Car production leapt 16.4 per cent to 323,425 while its output of trucks and buses rose 7.6 per cent to 82,895 units.

Domestic sales also hit all-time highs for the month, climbing 4.2 per cent to 227,890 vehicles. Sales of cars edged up 1.8 per cent to 170,198 units, while sales of trucks and buses jumped 12.2 per cent to 57,692 units.

Nissan said its production advanced 11.8 per cent to 217,355 vehicles. Car output grew 12.9 per cent to 183,438 units while its production of commercial vehicles climbed 6.5 per cent to 33,917 units.

Domestic sales rose 3.7 per cent to an October record of 106,339 vehicles. Car sales increased 3.1 per cent to 80,066 units, while sales of commercial vehicles grew 5.7 per cent to 26,273 units.

Exports by the two companies also rebounded from October last year following recent declines from year earlier levels.

Toyota's exports jumped 20.6 per cent to 148,799 vehicles, reversing two consecutive months of falling sales abroad. Car exports soared 26.7 per cent to 108,394, while exports of trucks and buses rose 6.7 per cent to 40,405 units.

Nissan's sales overseas climbed 7.8 per cent to 76,946 vehicles, the first increase in 14 months. Car exports grew 6.2 per cent to 63,454 units, while exports of commercial vehicles jumped 16.4 per cent to 13,492 units.

-30- 1845

#90324d3360 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (NOV. 20) - A leading Greek businessman and shipbuilder, Vardis Vardinoyannis, escaped unhurt early Tuesday when a booby trapped car blew up as he passed by in his own car on his way into Athens, police said.

Mr. Vardinoyannis' vehicle was damaged in the attack, which occurred in a residential suburb north of the capital.

Police said the bomb was planted in a car with stolen license plates. It went off the moment the car carrying Mr. Vardinoyannis, who had left home and was heading into the city center, drove by.

The businessman heads a large group of refineries, a fleet with several merchant ships and oil tankers, hotels, and a newspaper.

-30- 834

#90324d3490 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 20) - Nippon Meat Packers Inc., one of Japan's three biggest meat

processors, said Tuesday its net profit grew nine percent from a year earlier to 5.1 billion yen (37 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, which is currently expanding its processing activities in Australia and the United States ahead of the opening of the Japanese beef market, said sales grew 3.9 percent to 252 billion yen (1.8 billion dollars).

Fresh meat sales grew four percent to 157 billion yen (1.1 billion dolllars) but ham and sausage sales were virtually unchanged at around 57 billion yen (413 million dollars). Sales of processed foods meanwhile climbed eight percent to 38 billion yen (275 million dollars), the company said.

Net profit for the full year is forecast at 10.5 billion yen (76 million dollars) on sales of 520 billion yen (3.8 billion dollars).

-30- 1072

#90324d3680 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 20) - A high-ranking Moscow official proposed here Tuesday that South Korea commercialize Soviet scientific knowledge and high technology for sale in world markets.

Vadim Medvedev, a member of the Soviet Presidential Council, said at a seminar that the Soviet Union and South Korea should join hands to develop commodities by combining their industrial and scientific advantages.

"We believe it would be most promising to combine Soviet scientific and technological development with the industrialization and marketing capability of South Korean firms," Mr. Medvedev said.

Stepping up bilateral cooperation in the science and technology sector is a top aim of his delegation's visit here, he said.

Mr. Medvedev, the highest-ranking Soviet official ever to visit South Korea, arrived here Friday for a week at the head of a 14-member high-powered delegation to facilitate economic cooperation between the two countries, which set up ties in September.

Mr. Medvedev asked for South Korean investment in the Soviet Union to produce consumer goods such as laundry machines, vacuum cleaners and disposable syringes.

Fishing and the processing and sales of fisheries products were also promising fields, he said.

Kim Chong-In, the top economic aide to President Roh Tae-Woo, said in a keynote speech at the same seminar that the prospects for economic cooperation between Moscow and Seoul were bright despite various problems.

Mr. Kim pointed to geographic proximity, the mutually complementary nature of the two countries' industries, and the possibility of commercializing Soviet scientific achievements by South Korean firms.

He predicted that bilateral trade would increase 10 times to 10 billion dollars by 1995.

-30- 1955

#90324d3690 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 20) - Japan's Toyo Sash Co. Ltd. said Tuesday its net profit fell 10.5 percent from a year earlier to 10.4 billion yen (75 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The company, Japan's leading producer of alumimum housing materials with operations in Hong Kong and Thailand, also cut its earnings forecast for the full year by 15 percent to 21 billion yen (152 million dollars).

Toyo Sash said it was particularly concerned about the Gulf crisis, rising interest rates and a stronger yen, adding that it planned to make the company "leaner" by streamlining operations and diversifying its range of products.

In the six months, sales grew 15.2 percent to 223 billion yen (1.6 billion dollars). Sales of window frames for houses rose 14.5 percent to 159 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars) while sales of frames for commercial buildings jumped 25.8 per cent to 51 billion yen (370 million dolars). Other sales also rose.

The company said its sales projection for the full year was unchanged at 435 billion yen (3.2 billion dolars) despite the lower profit forecast.

-30- 1283

#90324d3700 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 20) - South Korea's trade deficit on a customs clearance basis has soared to almost six billion dollars, ensuring red ink for 1990, the trade ministry said Tuesday.

The expected annual deficit will be the first in four years.

The high cost of oil because of the Gulf crisis and imports of automation machinery pushed up the imports, a ministry spokesman said.

November imports as of Saturday were 4.54 billion dollars, a rise of 46.3 per cent over the same period last year.

The annual imports to that date were 60.37 billion dollars against exports of 54.46 billion, for a customs clearance deficit of 5.91 billion, the ministry

said.

Import approvals, an indicator of import trends, also rose 45.4 per cent over the same period last year to 3.2 billion dollars.

All figures were on customs clearance basis, which include insurance and freight costs and exaggerate imports.

Current account figures were not available, but the annual current account deficit for the first nine months of 1990 was 4.57 million dollars against 3.019 billion on a customs clearance basis.

-30- 1287
#90324d3770 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRAGUE (NOV. 20) - The Soviet Union on Tuesday called off a planned meeting between Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel but gave no reasons, the CTK news agency said.

The two leaders were to have met, at Mr. Havel's request, on Tuesday on the sidelines of the summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE).

The cancellation of the meeting by the Soviets follows a call by Mr. Havel, a former dissident playwright who was the main inspiration behind the "velvet revolution" which ousted the Communist Party from power in Czechoslovakia, for the Baltic states to be given observer status at the summit.

"It all the same took us by surprise," presidential spokesman Michael Zantovsky said of the Soviet decision.

Foreign ministers of the three Baltic states were prevented from joining the 34-nation CSCE summit on Monday following a protest by the Soviet Union, the Latvian delegation here has said.

Lennart Meri of Estonia, Algirdas Saudargas of Lithuania and Latvian Janis Jurkans, who said they had been invited to attend as the "guests" of France, said they were turned away from the government centre here as they arrived for the opening session.

All three Baltic states have declared independence from the Soviet Union, a status which Moscow refuses to recognise. The West meanwhile has never acknowledged Stalin's 1940 annexation of Estonia, Lithuania and Latvia under secret protocols in a Nazi-Soviet pact.

-30- 1709
#90324d3810 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOVER, Germany (NOV. 20) - Continental, the leading German tyre manufacturer, warned shareholders Tuesday that its performance continued to deterioriate in the second half of the current financial year and dividends would be hit.

Continental did not say what the dividend would be and does not publish nine-month pre-tax profits figures.

In an earlier letter to shareholders in September, Continental said its first six-months pre-tax profits had fallen by 39 percent to 100.5 million Deutsche marks.

The management said in a new letter to shareholders Tuesday that turnover had only improved by about 1.2 percent in the subsequent three months compared with the same period last year and blamed the weakness of the dollar and the "price war" between tyre manufacturers.

Continental revised its annual turnover predictions down from an optimistic six percent, made only two months ago, to around 2.4 percent.

Continental employs 50,281 people worldwide.

In its letter, the management referred to its recent rejection of an offer from Pirelli to merge the two companies' activities.

It said it was prepared to continue negotiations with Pirelli so long as the Italian company renounced any takeover attempt.

Pirelli has so far refused to give this undertaking.

-30- 1483

#90324d3830 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Boeblingen (NOV. 20) - Hewlett-Packard (Hp) of Germany, the subisidiary of the U.S. computer concern, said Tuesday the dollar's decline was responsible for a nearly 29 percent drop in earnings in its just-concluded business year.

Hp said its turnover volume in the 198990 year ending October 31 increased 7.2 percent to 4.06 billion marks (2.76 billion dollars). But net profits fell 28.6 percent to 59.2 million marks.

The parent Hewlett-Packard Co. of Palo Alto, California saw its net earnings fall to 739 million dollars in the 198990 year, down 11 percent from 829 million dollars the year before, despite an 11 percent increase in turnover to 13.2 billion dollars.

-30- 870

#90324d3890 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LE HAVRE, France (NOV. 20) - Some 1,600 Irish sheep have been stuck in the port of Le Havre since Thursday because of a row between French and Irish veterinary authorities, and some of them may die, authorities here said Tuesday.

Philippe David, head of the port veterinary services in this northwestern city said his officials were refusing to let the sheep into France because the animals arrived without individual tags authorizing they were in good health.

Meanwhile Irish authorities, he said, would not allow the livestock to be sent back to Ireland, fearing "they could have contracted illnesses" in France.

Dr. David alleged Irish authorities considered that Ireland's status as an island "protected the animals from epidemics".

He accused them of engaging in a "trial of strength" with the French authorities and said the only way out now was for Irish officials to come to Le Havre and draw up individual health certificates for the sheep, which were imported for fattening and slaughter in France.

Some of them might die if the row is not sorted out quickly, he said.

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SINGAPORE (NOV. 20) - Singapore's economy will grow by 8.3 percent this year but probably slow to between percent three and six percent growth in 1991 or even less if a major Gulf conflict erupts, the government said Tuesday.

"The outlook for 1991 is uncertain, and we expect three to six percent growth barring any major catastrophe in the Gulf. That is the best estimate we can make," said Mah Bow Tan, minister of state for trade and industry.

He told a news conference that if war broke out in the Gulf, there would be major disruptions to oil supplies leading to sharp rises in prices with adverse consequences for the entire world economy.

He said Singapore was already seeing signs of a slowdown in the economies of the United States and Britain and also in the leading indicators in Singapore.

Mr. Mah said that the economy grew by 8.1 percent in the third quarter, higher than the revised 7.8 percent in the second quarter. But most of the effects from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait were not yet fully felt, he added.

"The momentum generated in the first and second quarters helped the economy in the third quarter, but we are already seeing signs of slowdown and we do not expect to do so well," he said. "The last quarter will see effects of the Gulf

crisis."

He said the financial and business services sector grew by 17 percent, compared with 14 percent in the previous three-month period, and has been the fastest growing sector for seven consecutive quarters.

The offical attributed the latest rise to the uncertainty in the Gulf region, which boosted activities such as foreign exchange trading and insurance.

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#90324d4070 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MALE (NOV. 20) - Leaders of seven South Asian nations will seek to boost regional cooperation when they gather here for a summit beginning Wednesday amid rising economic problems at home.

But given the slow and torturous progress of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) since it was formed in 1985, no major breakthroughs were expected at the fifth summit, officials and diplomats said.

Yet the latest gathering of the leaders of Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, the Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka promises not to be dull either, they said.

Officials here noted that since the last summit in Islamabad in 1988, four new governments have assumed office - in Sri Lanka, India, Pakistan and Nepal.

The changes in government might have slowed the implementation of certain programmes adopted at the last summit, and this meeting will have a full agenda, officials said.

"The SAARC leaders know it is time they put their act together - and fast," said one diplomat. "The economic and political issues in the region are so grave that they (the leaders) can no longer trot out an excuse that SAARC is still growing."

Founded on the vision of late Bangladeshi President Zia ur-Rahman, who wanted a regional body to foster friendship and eliminate an atmosphere of mistrust, SAARC is far from achieving its goals for the future of South Asia.

More than 50 percent of the world's poorest live in South Asia, which is also home to more than a billion people or one-fifth of the world's population.

A close aide to Maldivian President Maumoon Abdul Gayoom said prospects for progress, through pooling member states' economic resources, remain bright as long as SAARC exists.

"Even the fifth summit may not have anything spectacular, but the fact that

the leaders are meeting after an absence of almost two years is in itself a boost for regional cooperation," he said.

The summit was originally to have been held in Colombo last year but Sri Lankan President Ranasinghe Premadasa opposed the meeting while Indian troops sent under a July 1987 bilateral accord remained in the island.

Indian troops pulled out from Sri Lanka in March this year. Mr. Premadasa has opted to skip this year's summit, and Sri Lanka will be represented instead by Prime Minister D.B. Wijetune.

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#90324d4140 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Lagos (NOV. 20) - Nigeria recorded a balance of payment surplus of 1.143 billion dollars in the first seven months of this year, the central bank reported Tuesday.

The report said 6.265 billion dollars in foreign exchange receipts were recorded against an outflow of 5.122 billion dollars.

The foreign exchange receipt during the period was a 46.5 percent increase over the corresponding period last year.

The most significant factor in the increase was oil earnings, which accounted for 4.508 billion dollars, or 72 percent of the total. The oil earnings rise reflected both greater exports and higher prices.

Foreign exchange outpayment during the period was 53.1 percent higher than the figure for the corresponding period last year, the greatest factors being visible imports and debt service payments.

Payments for merchandise imports increased 44.4 percent to 2.287 billion dollars while external debt service payments increased by 85.8 percent to reach 2.099 billion dollars.

The higher rate of debt servicing was said to be due to increased payments to the Paris Club of creditors, the World Bank and other creditors.

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#90324d4310 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 20) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Tuesday ordered the release of all German hostages in Iraq in appreciation of Arab-German ties and German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's stand on the Gulf crisis, Baghdad Radio reported.

The decision was taken during a meeting of the Iraqi Revolutionary Command

Council, chaired by Saddam, the radio said. The Council is Iraq's highest policy-making authority.

According to the radio broadcast, the gesture was taken to confirm the links existing between Iraq and the Arab nation on the one hand, and Germany on the other.

The Council discussed the Arab and international political situation and blessed the Iraqi President's idea to allow "German nationals and guests in Iraq" to leave or stay in the country, the radio said.

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#90324d4340 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bremen (NOV. 20) - Despite a slightly larger cotton harvest, the Soviet Union is exporting less cotton this year, reflecting the internal political changes in the country, importers said here Tuesday.

The Bremen Cotton Exchange said Soviet cotton exports were expected to reach 2.7 million bales this year, down from the 1989 level of 3.0 million bales. The cotton crop was expected to reach 12.4 million bales, up from 12.2 million bales in 1989.

The exchange said in its weekly report that the political changes in relations between the central Soviet government and the constituent republics were affecting the transportation sector, in turn curbing cotton exports.

It also noted that starting next January 1, the Soviet Union intends to sell its cotton abroad only for hard currency.

In the past, the chief customers for Soviet cotton were the other East Bloc countries, along with Cuba and North Korea. Soviet cotton exports also go to Western Europe, Japan, Bangladesh and Indonesia.

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#90324d4400 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Baghdad (NOV. 20) - Iran has executed six political prisoners who had been held in jails for years and subjected to savage torture, exiled Iranian oppositionists said here Tuesday.

The Office of the People's Mujahedin of Iran said that according to its sources, four of the prisoners were executed in the southwestern town of Gachsaran.

Two other political prisoners were arrested, tortured and later executed solely for contributing money to the Mujahedin organisation, the ofice added.

Iranian newspapers have reported 18 executions over the past week in the cities of Torbat-Heydarieh, Torbat-Jaam, Ahwaz, Kerman, Rasht and Yassouj, said the office.

This brings to 116 the number of executions officially announced over the past month. Many of those executed on political grounds were convicted of crimes, such as drug-trafficking, the Mujahedin sources said.

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#90324d4410 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 20) - Ten South Africans die daily in political violence, the South African Institute of Race Relations said here Tuesday.

Despite President Frederik de Klerk's sweeping reforms in 1990, more than in any other year since the ruling-National Party (NP) came to power 50 years ago, this year's death toll is "by far the grimmest ever", the institute said.

Releasing its latest political fatality statistics, the institute said 3,038 people had died in political violence in the first 10 months of this year. This was an average daily rate of 10, against a figure of 3.25 for the comparative period last year.

"In other words," the institute said, "people are dying this year in political violence at more than three times the rate at which people lost their lives in this way last year."

Between September 1984, when the present cycle of violence first erupted, and the end of last month, the total number of fatalities was 8,577.

"1990 alone already accounts for more than a third of all the people killed in political violence over this six-year period," the institute added.

Whereas security forces accounted for most of the political fatalities when the violence first erupted, the position had soon changed, the institute said. Security forces now accounted for a relatively small proportion of the deaths in political violence.

"Conflict within the black community continues to be the main source of casualties."

In the last three months, conflict between the broad camp involving the socialist black nationalist African National Congress (ANC), its affiliate the United Democratic Front, and the million-strong Congress of South African Trade Unions on the one side and Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Party and KwaZulu tribal homeland on the other, had been "the largest single source of fatalities", the institute said.

Political fatalities outside war-torn Natal - where a virtual Zulu civil war has raged over the past four years between these groups and resulted in some 4,000 deaths - accounted for only 10 percent of the total in the first 10 months of last year. It now accounted for 46 percent of the total fatalities.

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#90324d4430 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 20) - Money in circulation in Britain rose by only 0.1 per- cent in October over September, slowing the annual growth rate of the monetary mass to four per cent against 4.6 percent only a month earlier, the Bank of England announced Tuesday.

This annual rate of MO - coins and notes in circulation - is the lowest since August 1986. The government has said it wants this trend to continue as part of its battle against inflation before it lowers interest rates .

The Treasury said Tuesday that there would be no cuts in interest rates until it was prudent to make them.

Analysts were not surprised by the slow down, which brings the annual money supply increase into the one to five percent target range set by the government.

In the broader based M4, the monetary mass remained unchanged in October and is now running at an annual rate of 14.2 percent. Analysts had expected an increase of 0.5 percent.

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#90324d4480 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 20) - French business leaders remain pessimistic about the industrial outlook in France over the next few months and report a further decline in orders, particularly from overseas.

The INSEE monthly survey said businessmen expected the slowdown in economic activity to continue in early 1991 and thought prices would rise.

French economic indicators issued Monday showed a 1.1 percent drop in industrial output in September.

Business leaders also reported stocks of finished goods higher than normal.

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#90324d4510 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (NOV. 20) - The Sri Lankan government will recruit 2000 youths from all three communities in the country as a ''guard battalion'' para-military

force to be deployed in the northwestern Mannar district, a senior military official said Tuesday.

The northern military commander, Major-General Denzil Kobbekaduwa, talking to reporters in the Mannar Islands 240 kilometres north of Colombo, said, ''the main objective of the guard battalion is to activate civil administration in the northwestern district''.

Youths from the majority Sinhala community, along with minority Tamils and Moslems will be detailed to this force, he added.

Mannar Island, which had been in the hands of the separatist Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (Ltte) since June 11 following an Ltte offensive, was secured by government troops last week.

The Tamil rebels also chased away over 50,000 Moslems living on the island, which they intended to use as a major trans-shipment base for fuel and weapons coming from India, General Kobbekaduwa said.

The general stressed that ''Mannar Island is safe now and those Moslems who fled the area can come back.'' Several non-governmental organisation including foreign agencies are distributing food and dry rations in the area.

Meanwhile, government troops in the same district shot dead 15 suspected members of the Ltte, which is fighting for a separate Tamil homeland in northeastern Sri Lanka.

Over the past week ending late Monday, 67 Tamil rebels and 14 soldiers had been killed in continuing operations in the northeast, sources said.

Elsewhere, government troops apprehended 19 suspected members of the militant Marxist People's Liberation Front (Jvp) in the southern part of the country.

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#90324d4670 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 20) - Cypriot President George Vassiliou made an impassioned appeal for an end to the partition of his country when he addressed the summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSEC) here Tuesday.

Mr. Vassiliou, addressing the 33 other heads of state or government gathered for the East-West summit, called on CSCE member states to persuade Turkey to abide by the Helsinki Final Act.

"Cyprus must not remain an anachronism, the only country in Europe which has a foreign army occupying its territory, and whose citizens are deprived of basic human rights," Mr. Vassiliou said.

He said that if the 10 principles laid down in the Helsinki Final Act and the United Nations Charter were respected, "it would transform the problem of Cyprus into one of the past."

Mr. Vassiliou said that the problem of Cyprus was "a European problem" and that to resolve the issue would provide "a lasting contribution to the consolidation of peace and security in Europe."

In his speech Greek Premier Constantin Mitsotakis said it was up to all CSCE members to "contribute toward ensuring that international justice is respected in respect of the last remaining European drama -- one which has dragged on for 16 years."

Without referring specifically to Turkey, also a CSCE member, Mr. Mitsotakis said Greece condemned "the brutality of the invasion, the violation of national rights, manoeuverings against integrity and independence, wherever they surface, wherever they persist."

United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar in his address to the opening session of the summit on Monday called the situation in Cyprus "an aberration".

Turkey's President Turgut Ozal, however, made no reference to the Cyprus problem in his speech on Monday.

Turkish troops invaded northern Cyprus in summer 1974 after a short-lived coup in Nicosia, backed by the right-wing junta then ruling Greece, against the late president Archbishop Makarios.

The island has since been rigidly divided into Turkish and Greek-speaking sectors, following an exchange of populations. The north declared itself an independent state in 1983, but is recognized only by Ankara.

Turkey has an estimated 30,000 troops deployed in the "Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus."

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#90324d4680 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

THE HAGUE (NOV. 20) - Iraqi authorities have agreed "in principle" to release 105 Dutch nationals, 14 Belgians and three Britons working on dredging projects in southern Iraq, their employer Volker Stevin said Tuesday.

The Dutch hostages would return to the Netherlands in two groups, one to leave within a week to 10 days, and the other "in mid-December", according to a statement from the Dutch dredging company.

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#90324d4710 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 20) - The British government Tuesday gave the green light to a share swap agreement between Grand Metropolitan and Elders IXL under which the British company will cede its brewery interests to Elders and jointly operate some of its public houses with the Australian group.

The transaction was approved after a pledge from both groups to respect certain restrictions in what beers will be available in the jointly run public houses, Inntrepreneur Estates, the ministry of trade and industry said.

The British subsidiary of Elders, Courage, must end its exclusive ties with pubs in the Inntrepreneur group after seven years instead of 10. A similar restriction applies to pubs wholly owned by Grand Metropolitan after four years.

These limitations were demanded last month by the Monopolies Commission which had temporarily blocked the deal.

The initial agreement announced in March by Grand Met and Elders, in addition to the share swaps, called for a 366 million pound payment to Grand Met.

Analysts said that the decision to shorten Courage's exclusive supply ties with the pubs means this payment will probably be cut to 260 million pounds.

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#90324d4790 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KATOWICE, Poland (NOV. 20) - Workers at almost half the coal mines in Silesia went on strike Tuesday seeking higher wages and an end to price controls on coal, a Solidarity trade union official said in this southern city.

Thirty-four of the southern region's 71 mines fell idle for periods varying from two to 24 hours after negotiations between the government and Solidarity's National Commission of Mines, headquartered here, broke down in Warsaw late on Monday, Commission official Andrzej Kozak told Agence France-Presse.

Some 350,000 miners - or half of all miners in Poland - are employed in the region.

Solidarity's national leadership had opposed the stoppages, which came five days before Poland holds a first round of presidential elections. Solidarity head Lech Walesa and Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki are the leading candidates in the race.

In a related development, seven miners went an open-ended hunger strike at the Kazimierz-Juliusz mine.

Trade union officials were to meet Tuesday in Katowice "to study the follow-up" to the strike movement, expected to be suspended until the elections, Mr. Kozak said.

The miners want their lowest salaries increased. On an average they earn 1.6 million zlotys (160 dollars) a month, one-third more than the national average.

Strikers also want coal prices decontrolled, which, according to Solidarity, would then rise by 80 percent. The goal would be to make coal mines more profitable.

The mines are heavily indebted and about 20 face bankruptcy by the end of the year, despite state subsidies which this year reached 9,600 billion zlotys (960 million dollars), Mr. Kozak said.

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#90324d4900 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Brussels (NOV. 20) - The ''Uruguay Round'' of world trade talks, derailed by the European Community (E.C.) proposal on farm subsidy cuts, will resume in Geneva on Thursday, the E.C. said Tuesday.

An E.C. Commission spokesman said the talks by the some 100 participating General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) negotiators would tackle the farm subsidy issue.

The talks had been broken off amid sharp criticism of the E.C. subsidy cut proposal, submitted several weeks behind schedule, calling for a 30 per cent reduction in farm subsidies.

The United States and other major food exporting countries, backing a subsidy cut of at least 75 percent, had rejected the E.C. position as inadequate.

The Uruguay Round of negotiations to liberalise world trade began in Punte del Este in 1986. They are supposed to be concluded at Gatt ministerial conference in Brussels in early December.

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BRUSSELS (NOV. 20) - European Economic Community (EEC) finance ministers approved a 12 percent increase in the second reading of the EEC's budget for 1991, an EEC spokesman said here Tuesday.

The budget, which totals 52.5 billion European Currency Units (ECU's - 68.25 billion dollars) and passed its second reading late Monday, must still be approved by the European Parliament next month in Strasbourg.

The 12 per cent increase proposed in the budget is the largest in 10 years. About 39 billion dollars (57 percent of the total amount) is set aside for subsidies to farmers - 13.5 percent more than was budgeted in 1990.

The United States and other exporting countries consider EEC farm subsidies the biggest threat to world trade negotiations currently being held under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

The EEC ministers proposed that spending ceilings in 1991 be raised to allow a reserve of 1.4 billion ECU's (1.8 billion dollars) to support German reunification and countries hurt by the Gulf crisis.

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#90324d4980 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 20) - A senior European Community official said here Tuesday that the 12-nation organisation had still not set a firm policy on when Japanese cars should be given free access to its market.

Frans Andriessen, vice-president of the EEC Commission held talks in Paris on the topic with French Prime Minister Michel Rocard.

France has its own large auto industry. It is leading demands that the transitional phase for the ending of restrictions on Japanese cars once the EC's internal customs barriers are lifted in 1993, should be as long as possible.

On a visit to Japan this month, Mr. Rocard said the timetable should be around 10 years.

But Martin Bangemann, another Commission vice-president, said in Tokyo on November 6 that the Commission favoured a five year transition period after the creation of the single European market during which controls on Japanese car imports would be kept up.

Mr. Andriessen said "the European Commission does not have a definitive position yet." He explained that a five year period had been discussed by the commission "but nothing decided."

"We have tried to clear the situation" with Mr. Rocard, he added, and when asked whether the time could be more than five years replied: "Why not?"

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#90324d5400 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRID (NOV. 20) - Amper, one of Spain's main telecommunication groups, has started talks on forming an alliance with American Telephone and Telegraph and Ericsson, a company official said here on Tuesday.

Amper has been hit by lower commands from its main client, Spain's semi-public telecommunications company Telefonica, after the deregulation of the country's telephone system.

It also has problems with its defence unit Amper Programas, because of fewer orders from the Defence Ministry, the official said. Amper Programas was only set up last year at the suggestion of the government.

Since its fusion with Fiat subsidiary Telettra, the French-American conglomerate Alcatel has cornered more than half the Spanish market for telecommunications equipment, according to the official.

He said Amper needed to form links with other firms, but wants to keep control over decision making in Spain.

The official did not say at what stage the talks were at with the American and Swedish concerns nor what kind of alliance was envisaged.

But the official denied reports in Spanish business newspapers that contacts had been made with Siemens of Germany and Alcatel.

Amper already has close links with AT and T through its 49 per cent share in a Spanish subsidiary of the American multinational which makes telephone switchboards. The official said this had helped contacts.

Amper has 4,300 employees and last year had a turnover of 40 billion pesetas (400 million dollars).

Amper recorded 1989 pre tax profits of 772 million pesetas, but said the concern had been in loss for the first nine months of the this year though no figures have been given.

Fifteen percent of Amper's capital is held by Telefonica, 10 percent by a subsidiary of the INI state holding company, five per cent by Banco Bilbao-Vizcaya and five per cent by several other banks.

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#90324d5560 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 20) - A tunnel boring machine on the English side of the Channel Tunnel broke through Tuesday north of the Folkestone terminal, one month ahead of schedule, Eurotunnel said in London.

The breakthrough at Holywell was on the last of the three UK landward tunnels between the Shakespeare Cliff construction site in Dover and the Folkestone terminal of the Channel Tunnel.

Chief Executive Alastair Morton said, "All underland tunnelling in Britain is now complete and is planned to be completed in France within a month."

The Channel tunnel is due to open in 1993.

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#90324d5640 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 20) - Japan's Nissho Iwai Corp. said Tuesday it will set up a joint venture this year with Brazilian firms for paper and pulp production and afforestation in the lower reaches of the Amazon River.

It said the new firm, Celmar Industria de Celulose, will be capitalized at 480 million dollars, owned 85 percent by the Brazilian firms and the remaining 15 per cent by Nissho Iwai and a few Japanese paper and pulp companies.

The state-run Brazilian mining company Companhia Vale do Rio Doce-CVRD is one of the partners, Nissho Iwai officials said.

The new firm will buy 250,000 hectares (620,000 acres) of land in Maranhao to plant eucalyptus trees beginning in 1991. It will begin production of pulp in 1999 at an annual rate of 420,000 tons, the officials said.

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#90324d5850 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 20) - The Gulf crisis and general Middle East tension have made the cold but calm oilfields of the Soviet Union look like a new El Dorado for Western oil companies, according to market analysts.

Not even the difficulties being experienced as the Soviet Union falteringly becomes a market economy have put off Western oil firms as they prospect for Soviet black gold.

"The Soviet Union is the great hope of the oil world because no-one knows what its limits are," said Peter Bogin of the U.S. consultants Cambridge Energy Research Associates.

Michel Pecqueur, former president of the French state owned oil company Elf Aquitaine, described the Soviet Union as "a promising opening" to escape reliance on the Middle East.

"We have the money, the men and the technology to make the most of this considerable potential," he said.

Western companies are tempted even more by the fact that so much of the Soviet Union, notably in Siberia and off the Siberian coast, remains to be explored.

The Soviet Union, the world's largest oil producer, in turn urgently needs foreign technology.

The state of its equipment and the haphazard way in which oilfields are managed has threatened internal supplies and exports, which are the country's main source of foreign currency.

Soviet economists have said production could continue to fall this year to 585 million tonnes, from 610 million tonnes in 1989 which was already 15 million tonnes lower than the previous year.

Vladimir Arutunian, president of Sojuznefteexport, admitted at the Oil and Money conference in London in October that the extraction rate had fallen below 12 million barrels a day to about 11.5-11.6 million tonnes.

He said it was imperative that production did not decline further lower.

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#90324d5960 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (NOV 20) - Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak believes his Iraqi counterpart Saddam Hussein misjudged the consequences of Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, and also miscalculated during the Iran-Iraq war (1980-88), it was reported here Tuesday.

The Egyptian news agency Mena quoted Mubarak as saying Saddam had believed the world would accept the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and would only protest.

He said in an interview to be published Wednesday by the Kuwaiti daily as-Seyassa, which is currently based in London, that the Iraqi leader would not succeed in driving wedges among the multinational coalition against him.

Mubarak also charged that forces outside Iraq were involved in the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. These forces ''needed money and believed the booty would be split''. More details would be released during the coming days, he said.

Meanwhile, a Kuwaiti envoy handed Mubarak a message from the exiled Kuwaiti ruler, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, Mena reported.

Kuwaiti State Minister for Cabinet Affairs Abdel-Rahman al-Awadi said the message he had delivered dealt with the Gulf crisis and other Arab issues.

It was up to the Iraqi president to decide whether a military confrontation would be avoided in the Gulf, but all signs indicated that Saddam could not accept an unconditional pullout from Kuwait, al-Awadi said. Mubarak had told him he hoped Kuwait's sovereignity would be restored quickly.

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#90324d6080 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (NOV. 20) - A round-table will be held here on December 12 by the Somali government, opposition nationalist movements, Itay and Egypt to try and end the confict in Somalia, an Italian parliamentarian said Tuesday.

Mario Rafaelli, a member of Italy's parliamentary foreign affairs committee, made the statement after meeting Boutros Boutros Ghali, Egypt's minister of state for foreign affairs.

The Somali government was "seriously seeking reconciliation with the opposition in the interests of the Somali people," the Somali ambassador to Egypt said in an interview published by the Egyptian daily al-Ahram.

The Somali government has accepted Egytian, Italian and Kuwaiti mediation in the affair, the ambassador, Abdallah Hassan Mahmoud said.

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#90324d6140 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TUNIS (NOV. 20) - PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat Tuesday said a statement by the Israeli Prime Minister that his country would hold on to Arab occupied territories for Jewish immigrants was a "declaration of war".

"This is a declaration of war against the Arab nation," said Mr. Arafat.

Yitzhak Shamir's remarks "prove that the Israeli leaders have a plan aimed at definitively annexing the occupied territories to consider them part of Greater Israel," said the Palestine Liberation Organisation leader.

Mr. Arafat accused the United States of "complicity" with Israel in its quest to "refuse the Palestinian people their national and historic rights and to attempt to waste the wealth of the Arab nation and to shed its blood."

Mr. Shamir Sunday told veterans from his right-wing Likud bloc that Israel was "committed to holding onto Greater Israel from the Mediterranean Sea to the Jordan for the sake of the future generations and a massive immigration."

For Mr. Shamir, Greater Israel is a term that encompass the occupied territories -- the West Bank of the Jordan River and the Gaza Strip which Israel occupied during the 1967 Arab-Israeli war.

Jerusalem was also occupied during the June war and subsequently annexed by Israel, which considers it part of its united capital.

Mr. Arafat said massive Jewish immigration to Israel was a serious threat to the Christian and Moslem holy sites in Jerusalem and to the "security and future of the Middle East."

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#90324d6160 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV 20) - The French government has revised upwards the deficit in its spending programme for 1991 to 80.6 billion French francs (16.1 billion dollars) from 80.2 billion francs.

The new estimate was given in an amendment to the government's draft finance bill discussed in the National Assembly in the early hours of Tuesday.

The increase is to take account of new spending on education agreed after French students held mass rallies to demand extra financing.

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#90324d6170 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FLENSBOURG, Germany (NOV. 20) - Registrations of new cars rose by 33 percent in October over the previous month to 320,062, the Federal Traffic Office said on Tuesday.

Germany is one of the few countries in Europe where car sales are still increasing.

The figure was 20.8 percent higher than for October 1989. Private cars accounted for 296,507 registrations, 20.6 percent more than in 1989 and 36.8 percent higher than September.

There were 14,761 new truck registrations, 26.2 percent up on October 1989 and 12.8 percent more than September.

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#90324d6180 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LA PAZ (NOV. 20) - The agriculture ministers of Bolivia, Colombia and Peru warned Tuesday that insufficient economic resources were preventing their governments from waging an effective war on drugs because they cannot afford to replace coca plants with legitimate crops.

The ministers - meeting here this week with Ecuadoran and Venezuelan agricultural officials on the region's food situation - called on the United States to use peaceful and "educated" means to fight the drug war by providing greater aid for economic and social development.

U.S. anti-drug aid to the region has in the past focussed primarily on crop eradication programs and other law enforcement efforts to stem drug trafficking.

"As long as we don't offer a real alternative to coca-growing farmers, crop subsitution efforts will yield insufficient results," said Colombian Minister Rosario Cintes de Restrepo.

Bolivian Minister Mauro Bertero, speaking to reporters on the sidelines of the meeting, said nevertheless that his government had enjoyed limited success with its crop substitution efforts.

While some 100,000 hectares (250,000 acres) of coca still flourishes in the country, authorities managed to erradicate 6,200 hectares (15,500 acres) by September and hope to reduce the crop by 11,000 hectares (27,500 acres) by the end of the year, he said.

Peruvian Minister Enrique Roselink said coca farming was expanding daily in his country due to the lack of profitable domestic and foreign markets for alternative crops.

Investigative organizations in Peru claim that some 300,000 hectares (750,000 acres) of coca are growing mainly in the Andean Upper Huallaga valley and they are spreading to other areas.

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#90324d6200 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 20) - About 200 Belgian farmers disrupted truck traffic crossing into Belgium from Germany Tuesday to protest cheap imports of allegedly diseased livestock from Eastern Europe, police said.

At one point, the protest caused traffic jams stretching 15 kilometres (10 miles) from the border crossing of Lichtenbusch-Eynatten back to the German town of Aix-la-Chapelle.

The protest was organised by the Belgian farm youth alliance JAP to protest what it called imports of diseased animals into Belgium and other European Economic Community (EEC) countries through slack border controls.

JAP members told Agence France-Presse that livestock from eastern Europe was threatening the livelihood of Walloon (French-speaking) farmers. Sheep were selling for one-tenth the local price and pigs for a half, they said.

The protesters, who stopped only westward-bound cattle trucks, took blood samples from some of the animals for laboratory tests.

They claimed that border sanitary checks were a sham. One banner bore the slogan: "Mangez de la viande de l'Est et vous aurez la peste (Eat meat from the east and you'll catch the plague)".

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#90324d6210 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MUNICH (NOV. 20) - South African Foreign Minister Roelof F. Botha Tuesday said here the colour of skin would be unimportant in a politically reformed South Africa.

He said that the Pretoria government wanted to introduce a multiparty democracy with regular elections, the right to vote for everyone, the protection of minorities, an independent justice system and freedom of religion, opinion and the press.

Botha called on the international community to accept the new political developments in the country and scrap the United Nations-sanctioned economic boycott of South Africa.

Sanctions only led to poverty, which ignited explosive consequences for the whole of southern Africa, he told a conference, the Franz Josef Strauss Symposium.

A spokesman for the black nationalist African National Council (Anc), Waledi Tsiki, said at the symposium that equal voting rights and the right to self-determination should be implemented first.

The Anc has repeatedly said international sanctions against South Africa should stop only after reforms were introduced.

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#90324d6270 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV 20) - A group of 45 Democratic members of Congress filed a lawsuit Tuesday to prevent President George Bush from declaring war on Iraq without congressional approval.

The lawsuit focuses on a war authorization clause in the Constitution giving Congress the power to "declare war, grant letters of marque and reprisal, and make rules concerning captures on land and water."

The clause did not stop U.S. presidents in the past from ordering military attacks abroad without a formal declaration of war and since the Vietnam War legislators and the White House have repeatedly debated the issue.

The 45 members of the House of Representatives lawmakers are seeking an injunction barring Mr. Bush "from launching or initiating an offensive military attack by United States forces against Iraq without obtaining a declaration of war or other explicit authorization from the Congress."

"This case poses a question of supreme importance to this nation ... whether a major war, not partaking of the element of surprise and leaving ample room for

deliberation, may be initiated by the president without the consent of Congress," the Democrats said in their court papers.

"The framers of our Constitution thought not; most members of today's Congress think not," they said.

The legislators are represented in their lawsuit by the Center for Constitutional Rights, which also represents Army National Guard reservist Sargeant Michael Ange, 26, who is challenging Mr. Bush's authority to send him to Saudi Arabia.

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#90324d6310 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 20) - Iraqi authorities Tuesday started an airlift for Vietnamese workers to fly home to Hanoi on Iraqi Airways planes, the director general of the national carrier said.

Nureddin Safi Hammadi told Agence France-Presse that three Boeing 707 planes would repatriate 7,000 of the estimated 14,000 Vietnamese stranded in Iraq, at a rate of 600 people per day.

The other 7,000 will be sent home once their work contracts have expired, he said. A first flight took off Tuesday from Saddam International Airport here with 175 Vietnamese on board.

Iraqi Airways started Saturday to repatriate Sri Lankans trapped in Iraq and Kuwait, organizing two or three flights per week.

More than 85,000 Sri Lankans lived in the two countries when Iraq invaded the emirate on August 2. A Sri Lankan official said last month that 43,000 had already returned home while 11,000 were still in transit camps in Jordan.

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#90324d6360 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (NOV. 20) - A new United Arab Emirates (UAE) government was formed here Tuesday with the notable absence of veteran oil minister Mana Saeed Al-Oteiba from the list, officials said.

Mr. Oteiba, who ran the oil ministry since 1971, was replaced by Yussef ben Omeir ben Yussef, a newcomer to the government.

Mr. Oteiba was a leading figure in the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEP), where he represented his country.

With an estimated production of 1.5 million barrels of oil per day, the UAE are among the first producers of crude in the world.

The formation of the new UAE government, which was announced by the official WAM news agency, had been forthcoming since the death last month of Sheikh Rashid Ben Saeed Al-Maktoum.

His son, Sheikh Maktoum Bin Rashid Al-Maktoum, succeeded him as prime minister and as ruler of Dubai one of the seven emirates making up the 19-year-old federation.

Cabinet ministers are drawn proportionally from the seven emirates, which also include Sharjah, Ras al-Khaimeh, Ajman, Fujeirah, Abu Dhabi and Umm Al-Quwain.

The new government consists of 24 ministries, including the prime minister's portfolio, and a vice-premiership, with 10 newcomers on the list.

Besides Mr. Oteiba, the interior minister in the former government, Sheikh Mubarak Ben Mohamad al-Nahayan has also been replaced by Hamouda Ben Ali.

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#90324d6390 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN SALVADOR (NOV 20) - Leftist guerrillas launched a nationwide offensive early Tuesday, attacking an air force base on the edge of the capital and at least six provincial capitals in northern and eastern El Salvador.

Rebels severed the main highway linking the capital to the country's northern provinces in fighting just 12 kilometers (7 miles) north of San Salvador, AFP reporters on the scene said.

Army helicopters criss-crossed the capital and troops fanned out through the city amid fears of a replay of a nationwide offensive a year ago that turned the capital into a battleground for the first time in the decade-old war and caused thousands of casualties.

Thundering explosions could be heard in the capital as Air Force planes bombed the slopes of the Guazapa volcano, a rebel bastion 24 kilometers (15 miles) north of here.

At least 44 rebels and government troops were killed or wounded in the fighting, according to initial reports by the armed forces press office. The government said three soldiers were killed and 30 others were wounded while the guerrillas suffered at least 11 guerrilla dead.

The offensive -- the largest since last year's all-out battle for the capital -- came amid year-old peace talks that have deadlocked over rebel demands that the military be dismantled and officers tried for human rights abuses.

In a communique sent to news agencies, the Farabundo Marti National Liberation

Front (FMLN) said the current offensive would be "nationwide but limited in scope," but threatened a large-scale offensive if peace talks were not pursued earnestly.

"In the spirit of accelerating the negotiating process, we have decided to respond militarily to the impunity, repression and military operations of the armed forces and to the intransigence of the government in rejecting the total demilitarization of society," the statement said.

"If the government and the military continue resisting international pressures the demands of the entire nation, our military pressure and keep opposing a peaceful solution we claim the right to launch a large scale military offensive in the short or medium term," it added.

The FMLN dubbed the offensive "Punishment for the anti-democratic armed forces."

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#90324d6430 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 20) - Israeli troops shot and wounded 12 Palestinians in violence that flared Tuesday in the occupied Gaza Strip as a general strike gripped the territory, the occupied West Bank and east Jerusalem, Arab sources said.

The strike answered a call by underground leaders of the anti-Israeli uprising to protest the killings of 18 Palestinians last month near Islamic holy sites in east Jerusalem.

At least one of the Palestinians was in critical condition after being hit by a bullet, Arab sources said.

They said there was shooting in the Palestinian refugee camps of Shati, Maghazi, Bureij and Khan Yunis as well as in Gaza City.

On Tuesday Israeli authorities began distributing 2,400 green-colored identity cards to residents of the West Bank as part of a campaign to keep undesirable Palestinians out of Israel, military sources said.

Some 3,400 Palestinians from the West Bank and around 5,000 others from Gaza have already been issued with such cards for "security reasons", the sources said.

Israeli authorities decided earlier this month to tighten security after a series of knife, hammer and axe attacks by Arabs against Jews that left three dead and some 20 wounded.

Only Palestinians with orange-colored cards are allowed to enter Israel, while

Palestinian residents of east Jerusalem have blue identity cards.

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#90324d6470 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 20) - Barbara Bush, the wife of the U.S. president, took the opportunity of the CSCE summit here on Tuesday to visit the Pablo Picasso exhibition in the Grand Palais near the Place de la Concorde.

Mrs. Bush was accompanied by Michele Rocard, wife of the French prime minister and the wives of the Cypriot prime minister and Swiss president.

She then lunched with Mrs. Rocard at the Hotel Matignon along with 27 other wives of leaders attending the summit here including Raisa Gorbachev.

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#90324d6490 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
STRASBOURG, France (NOV 20) - The European Community parliament on Tuesday expressed its opposition to Fujitsu's takeover of Britain's last big computer producer ICL.

EC deputies voted a motion saying the purchase "endangered" the aim of a "strong and independent European electronics industry."

The motion was proposed by British Labour Party members of the parliament.

It called on EC countries to adopt a "clear strategy" for American and Japanese countries wishing to tap into European research programmes by buying EC companies.

The parliament asked the European Commission to make sure that Fujitsu keeps promises to preserve ICL's activities and the employment prospects of the company's British staff.

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#90324d6510 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABIDJAN (NOV. 20) - Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor will attend a summit of West African heads of state scheduled for November 27 in the Malian capital of Bamako to discuss the country's 11-month civil war, the guerilla chief said Tuesday.

"I will personally be in Bamako. I would like to look into the faces of all the other people who are going to be there. I will be there personally, I promise," Mr. Taylor said in an interview with the British Broadcasting Corporation monitored here.

He said he was going to the Malian capital "over the next several days to begin the peace process" at the meeting of leaders from the 16-nation Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), which sent in an intervention force in August to impose a ceasefire between rebels and government troops.

Mr. Taylor, a former government official under the late president Samuel Doe, has opposed the sending in of the force, known as ECOMOG and comprising troops from Nigeria, Ghana, Sierra Leone, Guinea and the Gambia.

"The point is to stop this war, sit down, begin talking," he said.

Asked about shelling of the Monrovia port by his National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPLF) forces Sunday and Monday, Mr. Taylor said his men "have capabilities of hitting Monrovia from almost any point."

He denied reports that his forces missed their targets and killed civilians, including some children.

"We cannot permit any boats coming into that port when these people are trying to prevent relief supplies coming into other ports," he said, in reference to the rebel-held port of Buchanan to the east which was attacked by Nigerian fighters last Wednesday and Friday.

"We have confirmed intelligence reports that there was a stockpile of arms in the Freeport of Monrovia and are being used by the enemy (ECOMOG)," he added.

"This is just a decapitating exercise to reduce the capabilities of the enemy " he concluded.

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#90324d6550 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

IRAQI NAT'L ASSEMBLY APPROVES HUSSEIN PROPOSAL TO ALLOW 124 GERMANS TO LEAVE

BAGHDAD (NOV 20) - The Iraqi National Assembly Monday approved President Saddam Hussein's proposal to allow 124 German nationals to leave the country.

The German Foreign Ministry has said there are 180 Germans detained in Iraq.

Earlier President Hussein had called on parliament to approva the release of all Germans.

But Speaker Saadi Mehdi Saleh confirmed to reporters that the decision affected only 124 German nationals.

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#90324d6580 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BELGRADE (NOV. 20) - Nationalist parties were clearly leading reformist movements and the former Communist Party in Bosnia-Hercegovina's first free elections since World War II, according to early results Tuesday.

The nationalist lead was most pronounced in elections to the Yugoslav republic's seven-member collegial presidency, where two seats are reserved for Serbians, two for Croations, two for Moslems and one for other ethnic groups.

The three nationalist parties, the Party for Democratic Action (PDA, Moslem) the Serbian Democratic Party (SDP) and the Croatian Democratic Community (CDC) seemed set to win all seven seats.

The nationalist parties were also leading in elections to the Chamber of Citizens, or parliament.

The nationalist parties' regional results closely mirrored their ethnic ties with the PDS gaining 44.91 per cent in predominantly Serbian Banja Luka, the PDA holding 51.88 per cent in the primarily Moslem area of Bihac and the CDC winning 60.14 in heavily Croation Mostar.

Electoral participation was estimated at 77 per cent.

Bosnia-Hercegovina is the fourth of Yugoslavia's six constituent republics to hold elections.

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#90324d6630 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 20) - An accord by Western Europe, Japan, the United States and the Soviet Union to develop a revolutionary new energy source will probably be renewed soon despite British misgivings, sources said here Monday.

European Economic Community (EEC) energy ministers agreed here Tuesday that the community should next month negotiate phase two of the joint project to develop an international thermo-nuclear experimental reactor (ITER).

The project's goal is to build a thermo-nuclear reactor which, using controlled fusion, will provide virtually pollution-free, inexhaustible and safe energy sometime in the next century.

Of the 12 EEC countries, only Britain expressed misgivings, and abstained from

voting. One source said the British were worried about current large cost overruns, unsolved radiation problems and excessive scientific optimism.

According to initial estimates of the fusion method, one million kilowatthours of electricity could be produced using only 35 grams of lithium and 10 grams of deuterium (heavy water), both elements plentifully available.

By contrast, a conventional power station would need 240 tons of oil or 360 tons of coal to generate a similar amount of power.

Phase two of the Iter project will comprise the "engineering design phase" following a feasibility study which started in 1988 and ends on December 31.

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#90324d6920 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 20) - New Zealand businessman Sir Ron Brierly has reduced his stake in French department store chain Societe des Nouvelles Galeries to 1.97 percent, the French bourse authorities said on Tuesday.

Sir Ron's stake, held through his Hong Kong based company Industrial Equity (Pacific) stood at 6.35 percent in late October.

According to the bourse authorities, Industrial Equity now only holds 162,340 voting shares in the French concern whose stores include the Bazar de l'Hotel de Ville chain.

Industrial Equity, a subsidiary of Brierly Investments Limited, had 522,340 shares on October 22. It informed the Paris Bourse on October 23 that its share had fallen below five percent.

It was announced later that Swedish firm Proventus had bought shares in Nouvelles Galeries from Industrial Equity.

The Swedish investment group now has a 19.1 percent stake in Nouvelles Galeries.

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#90324d6930 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 20) - The communist-led General Workers' Confederation (CGT) on Tuesday called a one day strike at all of France's main air companies - Air France, Air Inter and UTA - on November 30.

The strike is to protest at plans by Air France to close some regional lines as part of a restructuration. The CGT said the plan was "only the first step in a programme of concessions" by the French Government to the European Community.

Air France employees at Nice airport went into the sixth day of a strike on Tuesday to protest against the company reorganisation.

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#90324d7030 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV 20) - The pound fell sharply Tuesday in London on news of the Conservative Party leadership election result in which Margaret Thatcher failed to win outright.

Sterling was 2.9105 Deutsche marks at the official close but later fell to 2.8971 in limited trading following the poll result.

The pound also fell against the dollar from 1.9705 to 1.9635.

Trevor Cass, a foreign exchange dealer with Barclays Bank, said "we've got uncertainty and that's not particularly good for markets."

Despite its sharp fall sterling still remains above its floor level within the European Monetary System of 2.8480 against the Deutsche mark.

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#90324d7190 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV 20) - Indian Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar will announce his long-delayed cabinet lineup early on Wednesday, sources here said after his party retained control of India's biggest state of Uttar Pradesh.

A spokesman for the presidential palace said the cabinet would be sworn in by President Ramaswamy Venkataraman shortly before Mr. Shekhar left for the Maldives to attend a South Asian summit.

The 63-year-old prime minister delayed his departure for the Maldives capital of Male by three hours for the swearing-in ceremony, which the Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency said would be televised live.

A senior official at the television station told PTI that the swearing-in was scheduled for 9 a.m. local time (0330 GMT).

The press agency, quoting unnamed sources from Mr. Shekhar's party, said 20 ministers were expected to take the oaths of office and secrecy.

Mr. Shekhar will expand the cabinet after he returns from the seven-nation South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) summit, PTI said.

The premier has held his cards close to his chest, giving no clue as to who will get what portfolio.

Bureaucrat-turned-politician Yeshwant Sinha, former Harvard economist Subramaniam Swamy and former premier Rajiv Gandhi's estranged sister-in-law Maneka Gandhi are three of those tipped for cabinet posts.

No definite candidates have surfaced for the four crucial posts of external affairs, defence, finance and home affairs.

The way for Mr. Shekhar's cabinet-making exercise was cleared Tuesday with his party retaining control of the electorally crucial northern state of Uttar Pradesh, ending two weeks of uncertainty over its fate.

State chief minister Mulayam Singh Yadav, a close Shekhar ally, won a vote of confidence in the Uttar Pradesh legislature to continue governing the state with the 11th-hour support of former premier Rajiv Gandhi's Congress (I) party.

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#90324d7230 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 20) - Chinese President Yang Shangkun told former U.S. defense secretary Frank Carlucci on Tuesday that the two countries should normalize relations as soon as possible, the official news agency said.

"China and the United States should adopt a positive attitude and make joint efforts to restore their hard-won normal, friendly relations," the New China News Agency (NCNA) quoted Mr. Yang as saying.

Mr. Carlucci agreed with Mr. Yang, the report said.

The former U.S. official urged the two countries to "enhance mutual understanding and strengthen cooperation, for that is important for world peace and stability," NCNA said.

The agency did not give the length of Mr. Carlucci's visit.

Later Tuesday, he was the guest at a banquet given by Liu Huaqing, vice-chairman of the Central Military Commission of the Chinese Communist Party, the report said.

Mr. Carlucci last visited China in September 1988, while he still held the top position at the Pentagon.

His visit this year follows that of former U.S. secretary of state Henry Kissinger in September.

Assistant Secretary of State Richard Solomon visited Beijing in August after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait to ask China to halt its arms sales to Baghdad.

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#90324d7440 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 20) - A declaration to officialize the European Community's existing bilateral relationship with the United States could be initialled Wednesday, French presidential spokesman Hubert Vedrine said Tuesday.

The substance of the declaration was agreed on the sidelines of the CSCE summit.

The so-called trans-Atlantic declaration could be initialled by U.S. President George Bush and Italian Prime Minister Gulio Andreotti. Italy currently holds the EC's revolving presidency.

The EC will sign a similar declaration in the next few days with Canada, Mr. Vedrine said.

The two declarations would officialise the "deep" bilateral links which exist between the 12-nation trade bloc and its two North American partners.

Negotiations over their contents had been underway for several months.

Although the EC has signed trade and cooperation agreements with almost all East European nations since their move to democracy and a market economy last year, it has no such formal ties with either the United States or Canada, observers noted.

A spokesman for the Spanish delegation here said a final sticking point appeared to be U.S. and Candian insistence that a reference be made in the declarations to the General Agreement on Tarriffs and Trade, which had met with European opposition.

Other European sources said that paragraphs to which France and Italy objected which in their view would make the United States effectively the 13th EC member, were omitted from the final document.

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#90324d7490 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GENEVA (NOV 20) - Negotiators have made considerable progress in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) Uruguay Round of negotiations on protection of intellectual property, and are hoping to draw up a draft accord before the end of the week, GATT sources said Tuesday.

Agreement was reached on protection of trademarks, on guaranteed vintages and on the establishment of regulations to fight intellectual piracy and counterfeiting, an industry valued at between 90 to 150 billion dollars a year, or between three and five percent of world trade, GATT said.

Delegates made progress on the question of patents, but some decisions will probably be left to the trade ministers who will take part in the final meeting of the Uruguay Round from December 3 to 7 in Belgium.

Disagreement between the U.S. and Europe over attribution of patents -- the U.S. recognizes the inventor, while most other countries favor the first person to obtain a patent -- may be glossed over by an as-yet undetermined legal formula, the sources said.

Negotiators have also reached agreement on the thorny question of textiles and clothing, a sector which represents close to 10 percent of world trade and is of particular concern to leaders of developing countries.

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#90324d7520 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA (NOV 20) - The former Bulgarian leader Todor Zhivkov has officially been accused of embezzlement and abuse of power, Bulgarian television said Tuesday citing the prosecutor general.

The trial date will be fixed "in the next few days," television reported.

Mr. Zhivkov, who has been under house-arrest since last January, is accused of embezzling 26 million leva (about nine million dollars) and of abusing his position by distributing housing and luxury cars to friends and relatives, the television said.

Reformers in the Communist Party forced Mr. Zhivkov to resign on November 10, 1989 after he had ruled Bulgaria with an iron fist for 35 years.

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#90324d7540 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 20) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev hinted here Tuesday that Moscow may not veto a possible United Nations Security Council motion on the use of military force against Iraq.

''We will not allow (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein to gain the upper hand over the world community,'' he told French television viewers. ''That would be unacceptable.''

Gorbachev, in Paris for the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, said the U.N. Security Council would convene to examine the situation in the Gulf and then pass ''a well-considered resolution''.

The ''brutal annexation'' of one country by another must not be left ''unpunished'', he said.

The Soviet leader accused the world media of attempting to divide politicians into supporters and opponents of a military solution.

He said his meetings with the leaders of the United States, Britain, France, Germany and Italy had shown that there were no differences in their analysis of the situation.

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#90324d7620 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV 20) - Car manufacturer Volkswagen signed the largest Chinese joint venture agreement in the industry Tuesday, agreeing to produce 150,000 vehicles a year.

The projected annual production wuld be five times the current annual total of all foreign car manufacturers in China.

The 800 million U.S. dollar joint venture will begin operations in Changchun in northwestern Jilin province in 1994 and reach capacity by 1996, the official New China News Agency said.

The agreement was signed at the Great Hall of the People by Volkswagen's Board of Directors chairman, Carl-Horst Hahn, and the head of China's First Automobile Works (FAW).

The FAW-Volkswagen Automotive Co. Ltd. was the result of China's open-door policy, officials at the signing ceremony said.

"The aim is to stop the importation and meet the demands of the market," FAW President Geng Zhaojie told reporters.

The first cars off the assembly line -- the Golf and Jetta -- will be slightly larger than similarly named models produced elsewhere in the world. Volkswagen is already jointly producing Audi 100s with FAW.

"Until the end of this year ... nearly 10,000 Audi 100s will run on Chinese roads," Volkswagen chief representative Heinz Bauer said.

The new joint venture also plans to produce 270,000 engines, 100,000 of them destined for foreign Volkswagen plants, Mr. Bauer said.

Despite "certain economic difficulties" facing China, Mr. Hahn said he was "very optimistic" about Volkswagen's development in China and the plant at Changchun.

Mr. Hahn said Chinese-made Golf cars would be cheaper than the Santana, which currently sells in China for the prohibitive equivalent of 27,000 U.S. dollars.

Hard hit by the government's austerity program imposed two years ago and by particularly heavy taxes on luxury goods, Volkswagen and two other major car manufacturers -- AMC and Peugeot -- cut back or completely stopped production in China last year.

French automaker Citroen announced in November that it had nearly finished construction of a plant producing 150,000 newly designed cars per year in central Wuhan.

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#90324d7630 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV 20) - Saint Irene apparently doesn't want war to break out in the Gulf and thousands of believers are flocking to a small Greek Orthodox Church here to see a statue of her likeness which they believe sheds tears for endangered world peace.

The purported miracle first took place October 17 in Chicago where the statue of Saint Irene Chrysovalantou had been transported for a special mass for peace, said Bishop Vinkentios of Avlon.

Later, back in New York, the small statue painted by a Greek monk on Mount Athos in 1919 became the object of a genuine cult following.

"We had more than 100,000 people -- Catholic, Orthodox, Jewish and even Moslem " said the bishop, his white beard standing out against the traditional long black robe of Greek Orthodox clerics.

Faced with the crowds, the little church in the New York borough of Queens has had to remain open until the middle of the night some Sundays to accommodate the faithful.

If it were not for the police barriers out front, the black and grey marble facade of the church, set beside a railroad bridge and thousands of ordinary middle-class houses, would scarcely attract attention.

Inside, the twilight barely illuminates the saints painted on the church's walls in neo-Byzantine style.

At the back of the church, to the right of the altar, a small elderly woman dressed in black stands watch by a gold canopy. There the statue is protected behind a pane of glass surrounded by precious stones, set against a dark background, her head crowned by a golden halo.

Saint Irene was born to a noble Byzantine family of Cappadocia in the eighth century and preferred the religious life to that of a queen.

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#90324d7650 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (NOV. 20) - British and French television programs were awarded all six international Emmy awards at a ceremony here dedicated to foreign television products, organizers of the event announced.

The prizes are awarded by the U.S. television industry to the foreign programs judged best each year.

The international Emmy for best program for Children and Young People went to "Living with dinosaurs," aired by Britain's Channel Four and produced by TVS film in association with Jim Henson Productions.

The prize for documentary was awarded to "I'm twelve and I'm at war", produced by France's Capa, Canal Plus and FR-3.

The Performance Art Emmy went to the Mahabharata, produced by France's Productions du Troiseme Etage in association with the U.S.'s Brooklyn Academy of Music and Britain's Channel Four.

The international Emmy for best drama went to "First and Last", produced by Britain's BBC, which also carried off the arts documentary award for its "Book mark: from Moscow to Pietushki."

Lastly, the Popular Arts International Emmy was given to Britain's Channel Four for "Norbert Smith: a life", produced by Hat Trick in honor of the British actor.

The awards ceremony was held Monday night in New York, and will be broadcast in December for the first time on U.S. and foreign television networks.

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#90324d7750 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 20) - The United States and the Soviet Union have agreed to call a meeting of the U.N. Security Council to review all that has been done so far to try and solve the Gulf crisis, foreign ministers of both nations said Tuesday.

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#90324d7810 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 20) - Britain's Chancellor of the Exchequer, John Major, said Tuesday he would not be a candidate in the second round of voting in the ruling Conservative party's leadership contest.

Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd also assured Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of his complete support immediately after results of Tuesday's first round were

announced. These did not give Mrs. Thatcher the number of votes she needed to avoid a second ballot.

For the time being the only two candidates in the second round are Michael Heseltine and Mrs. Thatcher. Potential candidates have until Thursday midday to enter the contest.

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#90324d7970 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 20) - The Iraqi National Assembly (parliament) Tuesday decided to submit to President Saddam Hussein a draft bill urging the death sentence against speculators, an Iraqi official said.

Parliament's initiative is aimed at "putting an end to attempts by those who exploit the current situation in Iraq to make illegal benefits at the expense of the people," the official said.

He said he expected President Hussein to approve the draft within weeks.

In response to a U.N. trade embargo intended to force it out of Kuwait, Baghdad started at the end of August to ration 10 basic food supplies, including rice, flour and tea.

And in a further bid to end speculation and ensure a just distribution of food supplies -- which are banned under the U.N. trade embargo -- Iraqi authorities have also taken over the distribution and marketing of rice and wheat.

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PARIS (NOV. 20) - Moscow and Washington are agreed that ''if necessary'' the United Nations Security Council should ''pass new resolutions'' to roll back Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said here Tuesday.

Shevardnadze, speaking to reporters after two rounds of talks with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, said Moscow and Washington maintained that the Security Council should examine the effect that previous Gulf motions had had and if necessaary pass new ones.

The Security Council has passed several motions, demanding the unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait, the return of the legitimate Kuwaiti government and the release of all hostages being held in Kuwait and Iraq.

Baker said he and Shevardnadze had not discussed any new draft motion on Iraq.

Baker and Shevardnadze both underlined that Moscow and Washington were agreed

right from the beginning of the Gulf crisis in their views on the issue.

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#90324d8090 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 20) - British MP's will debate a motion of no-confidence in the government of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher on Thursday, John MacGregor, leader of the House of Commons, announced here Tuesday.

The motion was put forward earlier Tuesday by Neil Kinnock, the leader of the opposition Labour Party, just minutes before the announcement that Mrs. Thatcher had failed to win an outright victory in a vote among Tory MP's for the party leadership.

Mr. Kinnock said the governing Conservative Party was now plagued by "disarray and division" and called for holding immediate general elections.

The contest for the leadership of the Tory party goes to a second round of voting next Tuesday and both Mrs. Thatcher and challenger Michael Heseltine have stated they will remain in the running.

Thursday is also the deadline for newcomers to the Tory party leadership race to declare their candidacy.

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#90324d8220 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KOURU, French Guiana (NOV 20) - An unmanned Ariane rocket blasted off Tuesday from a jungle launch pad here on a mission to deploy two U.S. telecommunications satellites.

It was the 40th mission for the European space program.

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#90324d8250 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BOGOTA (NOV 20) - Anonymous judges will preside over carefully guarded trials in virtual bunkers next year for individuals charged with drug trafficking, terrorism and subversion, the Justice Ministry announced Tuesday.

Justice Minister Jaime Geraldo announced the decree that is aimed at providing a significant measure of security to jurists handling the country's most difficult and, often deadly, drug trafficking cases.

Beginning January 16, 83 judges will be assigned to preside over cases involving drug trafficking, terrorism and subversion, Mr. Geraldo said.

The identities of judges, prosecuting attorneys, witnesses and paid informants

-- those who were most often the targets of assassinations -- will be withheld from the public.

The assassinations and threats have had a chilling effect on the legal system of this South American country of 28 million people, and because of the the intimidation factor many cases have not been resolved.

Security will be stepped up sharply at heavily guarded sites where the cases are to be heard in the country's five principal cities: Bogota, Medellin, Cali, Barranquilla and Cucuta.

Those involved with the case will not be able to leave the sites until the legal proceedings are completed, Mr. Geraldo said.

The media will also be prohibited from releasing the names of those involved in the cases and any government employee who provides information to the media will be dismissed, Mr. Geraldo said.

Under the new decree, police msut first obtain search warrants before conducting raids, unless time or distance precludes it.

Even if a raid is conducted without a warrant, the police must bring suspects before a judge within 48 hours.

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#90324d8430 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) - United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar is considering agreeing to an Israeli suggestion to send a senior aide to Israel and the occupied territories to review problems facing Palestinians living there, a statement said Tuesday.

''The secretary-general continues to be deeply concerned about the situation in the occupied territories and, accordingly, feels that a visit by his envoy might be useful,'' he said in a statement ready by spokeswoman Nadia Younes.

She said Jean-Claude Aime, a department head at U.N. headquarters, would probably leave for Israel after the U.N. Security Council has finished its current debate on the situation in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The U.N. chief has just returned from a 10-day trip to Japan and France. In Paris he discussed the Aime visit with a number of politicians including the Israeli foreign minister, David Levy.

Israeli has already made it clear that the envoy's visit should not be linked to a Security Council resolution last month calling for a U.N. mission to investigate the deaths of at least 17 Palestinians on the Temple Mount in

Jerusalem on October 8.

The 15-nation Security Council criticised Israel over the killings which occurred when Israeli security forces opened fire on rock-throwing Palestinian demonstrators. The council also condemned Israel for rejecting the U.N. inquiry.

As a compromise, Israel suggested Aime would be welcome to continue talks he began in June during an investigation into the deaths of seven Palestinians shot dead by a deranged Israeli gunman.

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#90324d8450 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 21) - Most pundits agree that Social Democrat (Spd) challenger Oskar Lafontaine, 47, has already lost the first all-German polls on December 2.

The compact politician has been called ''the wrong man'', ''the outsider'' and ''a candidate without a chance'', but Lafontaine is determined to keep up the fight despite a dismal showing in the opinion polls.

He wants the Spd to at least gain so much support in the election that the Christian Democrats (Cdu) of Chancellor Helmut Kohl, 60, will not be able to form a majority in the Bundestag parliament.

Lafontaine stands in the overpowering shadow of Kohl who has presented himself to the country's almost 60 million voters as ''Unity Chancellor''.

Faced with Kohl's success in domestic German politics, the Spd challenger can only warn that after the elections many Germans will experience a ''bitter awakening'', namely massive state debts, a growing army of unemployed and higher taxes.

Lafontaine is paying the price for the Spd's months of wrangling over the ''right path'' toward German unity and the lack of a stirring concept to counter Kohl's decisive handling of the issue.

The Spd standard-bearer still maintains that reunification came too swiftly and that the cost of the treaty was too high in terms of social hardship. ''The priority now is to prevent the worse and ensure more social justice,'' said Lafontaine.

For a long time, Lafontaine was a controversial figure within his own party. Assured of his power, the Spd politician frequently took an aggressive stance which contradicted party policy.

He advocated Sunday working, claiming that the machine age made such practices

indispensable and urged restrictions on Germany's political asylum legislation in view of the immigrant influx.

Amid the heady days of reunification, Lafontaine warned that patriotic feelings could easily turn to nationalism or chauvinism.

Lafontaine managed to have incorporated into the Spd's election programme a clause stipulating that if the Social Democrats won the election, Germans in the higher income bracket would have pay a tax supplement to finance unity.

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#90324d8470 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (NOV. 21) - The Israeli parliament on Tuesday adopted on first reading two laws proposed by a tiny ultra-orthodox party, banning public transportation on the Jewish Sabbath and "lewd" advertising in public places.

The two laws are to go before a parliamentary committee for a second and third reading before being voted upon by the full Knesset, or parliament.

Israel's ruling Likud bloc last Friday agreed to support the legislation in exchange for backing in parliament by a tiny ultra-orthodox party, Agudat Israel.

With the party's support, the conservative government of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has secured a firm parliamentary majority for the first time since taking office last June.

Agudat Israel is also seeking a ban on the sale of pork throughout Israel.

The proposed legislation on public transportation requires Israel's two main public transportation companies, Dan and Egged, to halt services from nightfall Friday until Saturday evening.

The law on "lewd" advertising would mean the removal from public places of any advertising posters of a "pornographic" nature that might offend religious feelings.

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#90324d8510 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PANAMA CITY, (NOV 20) - General George Joulwan Tuesday assumed the post as the chief of the U.S. Southern Command, taking over from General Maxwell Thurman who retired shortly after the U.S. invasion of Panama.

Gen. Joulwan, 51, is a graduate of the West Point military academy and has a master's degree in political science from Loyola University in Chicago, Illinois, said a Southern Command spokesman.

Gen. Joulwan will be responsible for carrying out U.S. national security policies in Latin America, the spokesman said. The United States protects the canal and shares the administration of the waterway with Panama.

The United States maintains about 13,000 troops in Panama. Under the 1977 Panama Canal Treaty, those troops will leave Panama in the year 2000 when Panama assumes total control over the canal.

Southern Command troops participated in the December 1989 U.S. invasion of Panama that ousted de facto Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega, who surrendered to U.S. authorities and is awaiting trial in Miami, Florida on drug charges.

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#90324d8550 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (NOV 20) - Mired in financial and morale problems, the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) Tuesday received 141 million dollars towards its fiscal 1991 budget -- less than half its planned total expenditre, officials said.

Sergio Viera de Mello, director of the agency's foreign relations department, said the UNHCR's total 1991 budget was 345.5 million dollars for its regular programs and 214.9 million for special programs.

Western sources say the agency, responsible for 15 million refugees worldwide, is currently running a 64-million-dollar deficit.

Tuesday's announcement of the budget disbursement comes amid controversy over U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar's efforts to appoint a new commissioner to replace Norway's Thorvald Stoltenberg, who has stepped down to become his country's foreign minister and deputy premier.

Mr. Stoltenberg, whose surprise resignation came several days ago, had succeeded Jean Pierre Hocke, who quit amid allegations of misuse of UNHCR funds.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar nominated his own chief of staff, Virandra Dayal of India to take over for Mr. Stoltenberg. But Mr. Dayal withdrew his candidacy after the New York Times quoted unnamed U.S. adminstration officials as suggesting the secretary general had engaged in cronyism by picking his own aid for the job.

In a blistering response, Mr. Dayal criticized unnamed officials in "certain capitals" for what he saw as racism by considering him unqualified to raise funds for the agency.

Six countries have put forward candidates for the job, and Mr. Perez de

Cuellar is expected to make another nomination soon.

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#90324d8580 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PANAMA CITY, (NOV 20) - The Comptroller's Office Tuesday ordered assets held by former Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega to be frozen and began a probe into 800,000 dollars in state funds spent to finance his legal defense.

The Panamanian Government also froze assets belonging to Mr. Noriega's attorneys including Ramon Arosemena, Raymond Takiff, Joaquin Fernandez, Frank Rubino and Steve Collins.

The Panamanian Government informed the banks that the money that they disbursed belonged to the state and not to Mr. Noriega, who is awaiting trial in Miami, Florida on drug charges.

Mr. Noriega surrendered to U.S. authorities in January after the December 1989 U.S. invasion of Panama.

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#90324d8870 11/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 21) - The Japanese Finance Ministry is to sell five million Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp. (NTT) shares held by the government in the seven years from fiscal 1991, a leading financial newspaper said Wednesday.

The Nihon Keizai Shimbun, quoting government sources, said the plan is aimed at dispelling uncertainty in the stock market, aiding NTT's issuance of convertible bonds and increasing its capitalization.

The government will keep its NTT stock at a fixed level of 5.2 million shares, down from its current level of one-third of all outstanding issues, the newspaper said. The ministry currently holds 10.2 million shares of NTT stock.

Asked to confirm the report, Finance Ministry officials said the ministry is studying plans to sell off some government-held NTT shares over several years, but they said no definite plan has been worked out.

In fiscal 1989 and 1990, the governent planned to liquidate no more than 1.95 million NTT shares, but depressed stock prices forced it to abandon the plan.

The new plan, according to the Nihon Keizai Shimbun, calls for the government to release 500,000 to 800,000 shares annually for sale at regular intervals regardless of lower stock prices, with liquidation to be completed in fiscal 1997.

The government is currently obliged to hold one-third of all outstanding

shares of NTT stocks, making it difficult for NTT to procure capital by increasing the number of outstanding shares.

Converting the government's holding from a proportion of all stocks to a fixed number of shares should make it easier for NTT to raise capital, market analysts said.

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#90324e0016 11/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PARIS (NOV. 20) EFE - German Chancellor Helmut Kohl took the floor Tuesday in Paris at the 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe to pledge that his recently unified country would be a pillar of peace and unity in post-Cold War Europe.

Kohl pointed to the recent accord recognizing Germany's border with Poland, as it was drawn up by the victors in World War II, as an example of his country's willingness to accept the moral and political responsibilities deriving from its past history.

With the formal end of the post-war occupation, Germany has totally recovered its sovereignty but was willing to cede much of this for the sake of European unity, Kohl said.

He noted that his country has also set a good example for the disarmamant process by reducing its military strength to half of the combined forces of the former East and West Germany, and renouncing the use of chemical, biological and nuclear arms.

The German leader cautioned that the rise of ethnic and nationalist tensions and the contrast in development and prosperity between Western and Eastern Europe should serve as reminders that there was still a considerable distance to be travelled on the road to European unity.

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#90324e0018 11/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 20) EFE - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu Tuesday condemned the latest build-up of Iraqi troops in Kuwait and urged Baghdad to respect a United Nations resolution calling for Iraq to withdraw from the emirate.

Kaifu told senior members of his ruling Liberal Democratic Party that Iraq was trying to cement its occupation of Kuwait by sending a further 250,000 troops, bringing its military presence there to 450,000 soldiers.

Kaifu also said he opposed Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's efforts to link the Gulf crisis to the Palestinian question over Israel's occupation of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

The prime minister's party, along with the Komeito (Clean Government) Party and the Democratic Socialists, were preparing a constitutional ammendment which would allow a non-military peace-keeping force to be sent to the Gulf.

Japan's constitution forbids sending troops abroad, although Kaifu's government has pledged dlrs four billion to help finance multinational forces in the Gulf region and to aid countries hardest hit by the economic embargo on Iraq.

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#90324e0023 11/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Buenos Aires (NOV. 20) EFE - Beleaguered Argentine union boss Saul Ubaldini suffered another setback Tuesday when state health workers pulled out of his union confederation that opposes President Carlos Menem's economic policies.

The health workers are the third union to pull out of Ubaldini's Azopardo faction of the General Confederation of Labor (CGT) in recent weeks, while another three unions are also considering withdrawing.

Ubaldini split the CGT in 1989 over the economic policies of President Carlos Menem, taking with him some one million mostly state workers.

Last week the CGT-Azopardo called a day of protest highlighted by a rally in the capital's central square, the Plaza de Mayo, attended by an estimated 25,000 people.

The powerful oil workers union separated from the CGT-Azopardo in October, followed earlier this month by the huge steelworkers union.

CGT-Azopardo officials have said they feared that the postal employees will now leave, as well as granary workers and Automobile Club staff, which would leave the association with only 400,000 members.

Many unions oppose what they see as Ubaldini's unwieldly approach in countering the massive state-sector cutbacks which Menem has ordered as part of a program to reduce government spending.

Some 200,000 state employees are faced with layoffs.

Metalworkers' leader Lorenzo Miguel called last week's day of protest "inopportune", as talks with the government were still possible.

Following the day of protest, Ubaldini said he was prepared to negotiate with the government, but added that if talks failed he would have no option but to implement a "combat plan".

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#90324e0026 11/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Paris (NOV. 20) EFE - Eastern European leaders warned Tuesday at the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) summit in Paris of a rich-poor division in Europe which could bring political destabalization.

In their inaugural speeches, the leaders of Hungary and Poland echoed warnings that underdevelopment and nationalist discontent in Eastern Europe could easily undermine the integration process being sought by the CSCE.

Addressing delegates at the 34-nation summit, Hungarian Prime Minister Joszef Antall recommended that the CSCE focus on economic development in the emerging democracies of the east to prevent +a wall between rich and poor+

Polish Premier Tadeusz Mazowiecki continued in similar vein, charging that, +Our common future runs the risk of being overshadowed if the old problems of rich and poor are not overcome.+

Mazowiecki said he would be seeking closer economic and political relations between Poland and the European Community.

In a sideline meeting, Czechoslovakian Prime Minister Vaclev Havel met Antall and Mazowiecki, agreeing to meet next year in Hungary and then in Poland to set up a specific cooperation policy between their respective countries.

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#90324e0028 11/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
SANTIAGO (NOV. 20) EFE - A delegation of Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) officials cut short their visit to Chile after denying all involvement in a weekend terror attack which killed a Canadian businessman, Palestinian sources said Tuesday.

They said Saturday's bombing was the work of the Israeli secret service Mossad and was intended to torpedo the visit aimed at persuading Chile to recognize the independent Palestinian state proclaimed two years ago by PLO leader Yassir Arafat.

Following the attack in which a Canadian businessmen was killed and five other people were wounded when a bomb concealed in a baseball bat went off, phone callers claiming to speak in the name of the PLO said they were responsible

for the blast.

But a spokesman for the Palestinian community in Chile, Cristian Zaror, said the alleged Israeli plot had failed to achieve its aim and that Chile would "very shortly" recognize Palestinian independence.

The Israeli ambassador in Santiago, Daniel Mokady, denied his government was in any way involved in the bombing which he said was characterized by the sophisticated expertise shown in the past by the PLO.

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#90324e0030 11/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

TEHRAN (NOV. 20) EFE - Iran and Iraq will exchange all war prisoners who have been convicted of crimes, the Iranian news agency IRNA quoted Foreign Minister Morteza Sarmadi as saying Tuesday.

The 79 Iraqi convicts held by Iran and the 239 Iranian convicts in Iraqi prisons will be freed and repatriated Wednesday, Sarmadi said.

It is to be the first exchange of war prisoners between the two countries since September 16.

Between August 17 and September 16, Baghdad and Tehran exchanged some 75,000 war prisoners captured during the 1980-1988 Gulf War.

Sarmadi said that in addition to the prisoners to be released Wednesday, Iraq was holding more Iranians and should release them.

After a two-day visit to Baghdad last week, Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati announced that the two countries would resume prisoner exchange this week.

Iran recently said it would free 100 Iraqi prisoners a day to "encourage Baghdad to release more Iranian prisoners".

Neither country has said how many of the other's nationals are in its prisons.

The exchange of convicted prisoners, under which they are being formally pardoned, was arranged with the help of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

The prisoner exchange followed the decision by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on August 15 to accept the internationally recognized border between the two countries and to pull Iraqi troops out of Iranian territory occupied during the war.

Observers said Saddam's concessions were aimed at obtaining Iran's help in

breaking the U.N. embargo imposed on Baghdad following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

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#90324e0036 11/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NEW YORK (NOV 20) EFE - Brazil has offered to pay dlrs one billion of its more than dlrs eight billion in arrears to private banks this year, but European bank sources Tuesday described the offer as unacceptable.

Brazilian negotiator Jorio Dauster presented the offer Monday in New York, as a counter-proposal to a demand by a committee of bank representatives for a larger payment.

The committee was meeting Tuesday to decide on a response to the Brazilian offer, which some European committee delegation members described as unacceptable.

The banks had proposed that Brazil pay dlrs 2.5 billion of its arrears this year and refinance the remainder at one point above LIBOR, with an amortization period of five years.

When the talks began last month, Brazil ruled out any payment of its arrears until the negotiators reached an accord on its approximately dlrs 60 billion in medium and long-term loans.

Last week it hinted that it would show more flexibility in the talks on arrears.

The European bank sources, who charged that Brazil was not negotiating seriously, also acknowledged that the committee is divided on how much to demand.

They said U.S. banks wanted Brazil to make some payment as soon as possible, however small, because they fear U.S. banking authorities will oblige them to increase their reserves because of the risk of default by Brazil.

The European bankers said they hoped their U.S. colleagues would realize that the latest Brazilian proposal is unrealistic.

Brazil says the governments of the creditor nations are trying to block new loans by multilateral institutions until Brazil pays part of its arrears to private banks.

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#90324e0047 11/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

TEGUCIGALPA (NOV. 20) EFE - The Honduran government Tuesday officially closed

the Yamales camp which formerly served as the headquarters of Nicaragua's Contra rebels.

Yamales, just across the border from Nicaragua, was the main base from which some 12,000 guerrillas financed by Washington waged an eight-year war to oust Nicaragua's former leftist Sandinista government.

The camp was also home to some 30,000 of the rebels' dependents.

Following conservative Violeta Chamorro's victory over the Sandinistas in February elections, the guerrillas poured back into Nicaragua under a planned demobilization accord.

Some 18,000 Contras of the 37,119 registered in 1990 are still in Honduras, said Col. Abraham Garcia Turcios, president of the National Commission of Refugees.

Honduran civilians and soldiers, United Nations Observers for Central America and the U.N. High Comissioner for Refugees all attended the shutdown of the Yamales camp.

Also attending the ceremony were representatives from the International Support and Verification Commission (CIAV) who have provided the former rebels with food assistance and implemented a voluntary repatriation programme due to end Saturday.

Several dozen ex-Contras have recently mounted protests in Nicaragua demanding that Chamorro give them land, credits and food, which she promised in exchange for their demobilization when she took office in April.

Two dozen people have died in violence related to the protests.

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#90324e0059 11/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (NOV. 20) EFE - The Colombian government Tuesday unveiled a new judicial plan that names 82 new judges to hear cases of drug trafficking and terrorism, but keeps their identities secret to protect their lives.

Under the new law, known as the Statute for the Defense of Justice, judges will be able to try cases without revealing their identities.

Approximately 80 judges have been murdered in Colombia in the last 12 years, many by the counry's powerful cocaine-smuggling gangs.

The new law contains 102 articles that spell out new procedures for the security of judges, lawyers and witnesses.

Witnesses in drug-trafficking, terrorism and subversion cases will use only fingerprints to identify themselves and will not know the name of the judge hearing the case.

Judges involved in dangerous cases will also be given increased police protection and will not be required to investigate cases on their own as in the past.

The new law also offers rewards of up to dlrs 100,000 for information that leads to the resolution of a drug-trafficking case, and more than dlrs 100,000 for cases involving bloodshed.

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#90324e0064 11/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PARIS (OCT. 20) EFE - French Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement Tuesday said events in the Gulf had to speed up over the next few weeks as the current situation could not last another four or five months.

"We are walking on the edge of the precipice," Chevenement said in an interview to be published Wednesday in London and Paris by Arab daily newspaper Al Hayat.

He said United Nations trade sanctions against Baghdad were having some effect but were not sufficient to oust Iraq from Kuwait following its August invasion.

France wanted Iraq to leave Kuwait but not "the preventive destruction of Iraqi potential", Chevenement said.

"We must reach an agreement to control arms in the region" and to strengthen the non-proliferation treaty on nuclear weapons particularly in those countries which could soon acquire them, the defense minister said.

He added that the 6,000 French troops sent to Saudi Arabia would, in the event of war, pass into Saudi operational control if President Francois Mitterrand so decided.

Earlier Tuesday, at the 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) in Paris, France backed calls for a special Security Council session to draw up a resolution which would allow for the possible use of military force to resolve the Gulf crisis.

Presidential spokesman Hubert Vedrine said Mitterrand had agreed to the proposals following talks with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

France -- one of the five permanent members of the Security Council -- has previously expressed its reluctance on agreeing to the use of force and has insisted that diplomatic efforts be given more time.

France and the four other permanent members -- the Soviet Union, Britain, the United States and China -- all have the right to veto a resolution.

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#90324e0065 11/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (NOV. 20) EFE - Five people were killed Tuesday when heavy floods and gail-force winds lashed the Argentine capital and surrounding areas in the worst storm in 10 years to hit the city.

In the Belgrano neighborhood of Buenos Aires, more than one meter of rain fell and winds up to 100 kph blew out shop windows and ripped doors off houses.

Hundreds of streets were flooded and several lines of the underground and overground rail network were put out of action.

The National Meterological Service declined to give exact figures, but estimated the cost of clearing roads and restoring electicity supplies at about dlrs 20 million.

Of the five victims two drowned, two were electrocuted and a fifth was run over by a bus.

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#90324f0545 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Prices were sharply lower at the close of the New York Stock Exchange Tuesday in moderate trading, succumbing to profit taking after last week's gains and to program selling.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 15.10 Monday, lost 35.14 to 2530.20, according to an unofficial tally.

Declines pounded advances 1,026-505 among the 1,995 issues crossing the NYSE tape at 4 p.m. EDT. Volume amounted to about 162,000,000 shares, up from 140,950,000 traded Monday.

Prices were lower in moderate trading of American Stock Exchange issues.

Analysts said the market was depressed by profit taking before the holiday weekend, after last week's gains. Prices extended their losses on some program selling, but analysts said they would not assign any particular significance to this week's action with many players away for Thanksgiving.

''It should be quiet for the balance of the week,'' said Peter VandenBerg, vice president of equity trading at Lehman Bros. ''That doesn't mean it might not be volatile, with some ups and downs, but it should be quiet.''

VandenBerg blamed most of the modest loss in the Dow early Tuesday on the slide in Boeing, which suffered from being removed from some analysts' lists of recommended stocks. Some cited the effect of the development of the 777 aircraft on earnings.

''The loss in Boeing accounts for seven points in the Dow,'' he said.

Elsewhere in the market, VandenBerg mentioned weakness in some oil stocks since oil prices were sharply lower. January crude oil was down $1.32 at $29.40 in late trading.

He also pointed out weakness in some paper stocks and computer stocks such as NCR, which was down sharply. The stock had climbed on talk of a takeover, but tumbled Tuesday when analysts reportedly downgraded the stock and cut earnings estimates for the company.

On the trading floor as of 3 p.m. EST, Boeing was the most active issue, plunging.

Varity followed, down sharply. IBM was third, also sharply lower.

Eli Lilly was also active, tumbling. The company's market share for its anti-depressant drug Prozac reportedly fell during October.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T was up but General Electric and American Express were down sharply.

Fruit of the Loom led the Amex issues, sharply higher.

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#90324f0781 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	24.30-24.40	25.95-26.00
North Sea Brent	29.10-29.15	30.83-30.93
West Texas Intermed	29.20-29.30	31.50-31.60
Light Louisiana Sweet	30.30-30.55	32.60-32.80
New York Harbor spot products		

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	80.00-80.50	82.35-82.85
No. 2 Heating oil	83.95-84.20	86.10-86.30

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products

(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	75.40-75.65	78.45-78.60
No. 2 Heating oil	82.25-82.45	84.15-84.35

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CHICAGO (NOV. 20) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Tuesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	79.15	79.52	78.82	79.12	79.32
Feb	76.25	76.37	75.50	75.85	76.30
Apr	76.35	76.42	75.80	75.85	76.57
Jun	74.10	74.12	73.75	73.80	74.17
Aug	72.40	72.45	72.10	72.17	72.52
Oct	72.60	72.60	72.22	72.22	72.70
Dec	73.10	73.10	73.05	73.05	73.10

Est. sales 14,541 contracts; Monday 13,477; open interest 70,533 up 155.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	87.85	87.95	87.35	87.60	87.80
Mar	85.37	85.45	84.90	85.22	85.50
Apr	84.40	84.40	83.95	84.15	84.45
May	83.45	83.45	83.00	83.30	83.47
Aug	82.50	82.50	82.15	82.37	82.50
Sep	81.75	81.75	81.75	81.75	81.85
Oct	81.40	81.45	81.35	81.45	81.40

Est. sales 900 contracts; Monday 1,083; open interest 8,226 off 1,380.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	53.40	53.42	52.55	53.10	53.60
Feb	52.30	52.30	50.92	51.22	52.37
Apr	49.30	49.30	48.17	48.50	49.40
Jun	53.25	53.25	52.15	52.47	53.35
Jly	52.80	53.00	52.40	52.75	53.62
Aug	50.65	51.10	50.65	50.87	51.50
Oct	46.10	46.10	45.80	45.80	46.35
Dec	....	45.90	45.80	45.80	45.60

Est. sales 8,574 contracts; Monday 9,889; open interest 29,528 off 125.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	71.50	71.70	70.20	70.20	72.20
Mar	71.30	71.40	70.00	70.00	72.00

May 71.67 71.70 70.55 70.55 72.55
Jly 71.15 71.15 69.70 69.70 71.70
Aug 68.05 68.05 66.90 66.90 68.90 Est. sales 1,951 contracts; Monday 7,188; open interest 12,624 up 55.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade for Tuesday was not available due to computer difficulties.

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#90324f0784 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.75

60 to 89 days 7.95

90 to 119 days 7.82

120 to 149 days 7.67

150 to 179 days 7.60

180 to 270 days 7.53

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.78 - 7.64

Issuers 30 days 7.60

Issuers 90 days 7.69

Issuers 270 days 7.39

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.86

60 to 89 days 8.13

90 to 119 days 8.04

120 to 149 days 7.93

150 to 179 days 7.91

180 days 7.91

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.625 - 7.75

1 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

3 month 8.00 - 8.125

6 month 7.875 - 8.00

Year 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.10 - 7.08

6 months 7.07 - 7.05

Year 6.87 - 6.85

Federal Funds: High 7 9-16, Low 7 9-16, Close 7 9-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.670 off 0.015.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90324f0785 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV 20) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 172.48 off 1.86
ASE Market Value Index 296.01 off 0.46

Dow-Jones Industrial 2530.20 off 35.15

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#90324f0786 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.
30 Indus 2530.20 off 35.15
20 Trans 853.00 off 14.79
15 Utils 207.05 off 1.64
65 Stocks 883.09 off 12.08

-30- 328
#90324h0150 11/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
MAPUTO (NOV. 20) XINHUA - ABOUT 170 WORKERS OF MOZAMBIQUE'S MASS COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE (ICS) WENT ON STRIKE IN MAPUTO TODAY, DEMANDING BACK PAY FOR THE YEARS 1987 AND 1988 AND RECLASSIFICATION AND THE REGULARISATION OF THEIR CONTRACTS.

THE ICS IS THE SOLE NEWS ORGANIZATION IN MOZAMBIQUE THAT IS DIRECTED MAINLY TOWARDS RURAL JOURNALISM. IT PRODUCES A TELEVISION PROGRAM "CHANNEL ZERO", BASICALLY DEALING WITH DEVELOPMENT ISSUES OF THE COUNTRY, A RADIO PROGRAM "COMMUNAL VILLAGE" AND A MONTHLY PAPER "O CAMPO" (THE COUNTRYSIDE).

TODAY'S STRIKE WAS STAGED AFTER THE ICS MANAGEMENT REJECTED THE KEY POINTS IN A LIST OF DEMANDS PRESENTED ON MONDAY BY THE WORKERS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE STRIKERS SAID TODAY THAT THE MANAGEMENT HAD ONLY AGREED TO WHAT THE WORKERS CONSIDERED LESS IMPORTANT DEMANDS, INCLUDING PAYMENT OF MEDICAL EXPENSES, OVERTIME PAY, AND A GUARANTEE THAT PRODUCTS DONATED BY THE UNICEF (UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND) WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE WORKERS.

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#90324j0001 11/20/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)
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Nightline (ABC) November 14, 1990 (Transcript #2473)

Troop Morale in the Persian Gulf: How are the U.S. troops of Operation Desert Shield handling their stay in the desert? Is morale suffering from uncertainty

and tedium? Would it be improved by troop rotation, with fixed stays at the front?

Crossfire (CNN) November 14, 1990 (Transcript #182)

Congress on the Offensive: Former Senator George McGovern, Sen. John Warner and Rep. Wayne Owens discuss Congressional demands for a special session on the Persian Gulf crisis and whether the President should ask Congress for a declaration of war.

Larry King Live (CNN) November 14, 1990 (Transcript #170)

Victims of the Savings and Loan Crisis: Discussion of the causes of and fallout from the S&L crisis with victims of failed banks, a bank owner, a financial consultant and a former OMB director in the Reagan Administration.

South Africa Now (PBS) November 14, 1990 (Transcript #36)

''Unity Summit'' (religious leaders agree Apartheid has no theological standing); ''Unrest Continues'' (labor groups hammering out a Workers' Charter guaranteeing workers' rights); ''Frontline Focus -- Angola'' (American professor Mark Kesselman urges U.S. to stop financing Angolan war); ''Mahlathini and the Mahotella Queens'' (combine traditional African music and a bit of Western rock to produce a sound that's brought them international success after 30 years of hard work in Africa's music scene).

Good Morning America (ABC) November 14, 1990 (Transcript #1153)

Hostage family holiday dilemma; commuter airline safety; John Cleese interview; scouting food for the homeless; Barbara Walters interview; Mapmaker Mapmaker (Part 3 -- learning geography with maps); Romania's abandoned children; detecting breast cancer; Dances With Wolves review; Macaulay Culkin interview. Korea -- The Unknown War (WGBH) November 14, 1990 (Transcript #105)

The Battle for Minds: Truce talks are ongoing but progressing at a painfully slow pace. The conflict has become a battle for hearts and minds rather than for territory. This program explores the fate of POWs on both sides including Chinese brainwashing of POWs and charges of American germ warfare.

Korea -- The Unknown War (WGBH) November 14, 1990 (Transcript #106)

Armed Truce: The final episode covers the last months of the fighting, from the beginning of the Eisenhower Presidency to the armistice reached in July 1953. The war ends roughly where it began. U.N. forces have contained Communism but not rolled it back. This show also contains a look at the two Koreas of today -- the totalitarian North, isolated from much of the world; and the authoritarian South, prosperous and still struggling toward democracy. The two countries live in an armed truce across the 38th Parallel.

48 Hours (CBS) November 14, 1990 (Transcript #131)

Panic, Fears and Phobias: Report profiling people who suffer from phobias like agoraphobia (fear of open spaces), hypochondri asis (fear of disease), obsessive-compulsive disorder and various methods of treatment and medication.

Donahue November 14, 1990 (Transcript #3077)

Condoms for Kids -- in Easton, Maryland: Parents, school officials and students debate a proposal to distribute condoms in high schools.

Oprah Winfrey Show November 14, 1990 (Transcript #1088)

Male Makeovers: Image consultant Pual Glick, with the help of hair stylists and specialists, makes over husbands at the request of wives who are tired of their husbands' lack of fashion sense.

Sally Jessy Raphael November 14, 1990 (Transcript #573)

A Chippendale/Penthouse Lingerie Party: From Hollywood, a fashion show of lingerie and leather, worn by Penthouse Pets and Chippendale's dancers. Also, a fashion consultant gives makeovers to married couples from the audience.

Geraldo November 14, 1990 (Transcript #825)

Hollywood's Legendary Leading Ladies: Jane Russell, Gloria DeHaven and Esther Williams -- three leading ladies of Hollywood's golden era -- discuss their personal lives as well as their careers.

Thursday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Are Texas' Economic Problems a Preview for America? Sally Jessy Raphael: Public Apologies Geraldo: Twins Oprah Winfrey: I Married a Sports Freak

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Nightline (ABC) November 15, 1990 (Transcript #2474)

Saddam, the U.N., the Persian Gulf Crisis: As Saddam Hussein vows his willingness to negotiate with the U.S. and Bush demands unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait, under pain of war, what will the U.N. do?

Primetime Live (ABC) November 15, 1990 (Transcript #167)

''Saddam Hussein'' (Peter Jennings interviews the Iraqi President); ''Open Your Eyes'' (cover-up of the rape and pregnancy of a profoundly retarded patient in a Texas state school); ''Military Code Names'' (operations ''Imminent Thunder'', ''Desert Shield'', and ''Just Cause'' -- where do these names come from, anyway?).

Crossfire (CNN) November 15, 1990 (Transcript #183)

Behind the Closed Doors -- The Keating Five: Michael Waldman of Public Citizen's Congress Watch and Abbe Lowell, attorney for a Keating co-defendant, discuss the so-called Keating Five and the ethics hearings which began today.

Larry King Live (CNN) November 15, 1990 (Transcript #171)

''Arizona, the King Holiday and the Super Bowl'' (debate over whether Arizona should lose its chance to host the Super Bowl in 1993 because voters refuse to recognize the national Martin Luther King holiday); ''George Steinbrenner'' (the principal owner of the New York Yankees talks about his troubles with the courts and the baseball commissioner).

Good Morning America (ABC) November 15, 1990 (Transcript #1154)

Challenge to Thatcher (Michael Heseltine); Louis Rukeyser interview; the new zoo; video picks; Steve Guttenberg interview; baboon reserve; Great American-Soviet Smoke Out; animal conservation; fee-based life insurance; Peter Ustinov interview.

Geraldo November 15, 1990 (Transcript #826)

Double Trouble: Twins discuss situations peculiar to their lives, such as a man being married to twins, twin brothers who perform as women and twins who marry other twins.

Donahue November 15, 1990 (Transcript #3078)

Texas' Economic Problems: Texas is the state that's been hit hardest by the savings and loan scandal, and Dallas residents vent their feelings on the subject. How did it happen? How much will it cost? How can it be fixed?

Sally Jessy Raphael November 15, 1990 (Transcript #574)

Public Apologies: A woman apologizes to her friend for burglarizing her apartment, which she intended to be a practical joke and for which her friend had her arrested. A man apologizes to his wife for having committed adultery, and another woman apologizes to her best friend for giving her disastrous advice. They are all forgiven.

Oprah Winfrey Show November 15, 1990 (Transcript #1089)

I Married a Sports Freak: Women whose husbands are addicted to sports share their frustrations; the husbands defend their interests. Sportscaster Lesley Vissar tries to mediate.

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#90324k0106 11/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) KYODO - A GROUP OF FIVE WOMEN LAUNCHED A CAMPAIGN ON TUESDAY CRITICIZING U.S. PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH'S POLICY ON THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS AND DEMANDING A WITHDRAWAL OF U.S. FORCES FROM THE GULF.

THE WOMEN, WHO CALL THEIR GROUP AMERICAN MOTHERS AGAINST MIDDLE EAST WAR, ISSUED A STATEMENT SHARPLY CRITICIZING BUSH'S FAILURE TO EXPLAIN THE OBJECTIVES OF THE U.S. MILITARY PRESENCE IN THE GULF.

URGING AMERICAN WOMEN WITH DRAFT-AGE CHILDREN OR GRANDCHILDREN TO JOIN THEM, THEY CALLED BUSH'S DECISION TO DEPLOY AN ADDITIONAL 200,000 TROOPS TO THE

MIDDLE EAST ''A COMPLETE DEPARTURE FROM ALLEGEDLY DEFENSIVE PURPOSES'' THAT ''ALL BUT GUARANTEES THE OUTBREAK OF WAR.''

BUSH HAS SAID HE HAS A LIMITED ''WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY'' TO USE OFFENSIVE FORCES IN THE GULF BEFORE U.S. POPULAR SUPPORT DWINDLES AND AMERICANS QUESTION U.S. OBJECTIVES IN THE REGION.

''BUSH IS ACTING LIKE A MACHO, LIKE A RAMBO,'' SAID ONE OF THE WOMEN, PAT CORTEZ, WHOSE SON WAS RECENTLY ASSIGNED TO THE GULF.

THE STATEMENT ALSO CALLED ON THE PRESIDENT TO SUBSTITUTE THE PRESENT TROOP DEPLOYMENT WITH THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO IRRIGATE THE MIDDLE EAST DESERTS.

THE FIVE MOTHERS, ALL FROM PENNSYLVANIA, SAID THEY FORMED THE GROUP AFTER FINDING MANY OTHER MOTHERS IN THE STATE SYMPATHETIC TO THEIR VIEWS.

''WE FELT ONCE WE MADE THE ANNOUNCEMENT, WE WOULD BE OVERWHELMED (BY MOTHERS WANTING TO JOIN),'' SAID BETTY CLIFF, WHO HAS TWO DRAFT-AGE CHILDREN.

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#90324m0002 11/20/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 20) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

DAVID GILMORE, currency analyst at McCARTHY CRISANTI & MAFFEI, says there are differences within the administration on the strength of the dollar. He says TREASURY SECRETARY NICHOLAS BRADY is probably looking for a weak dollar helping our export growth and offsetting some economic weakness domestically. "On the other hand there are probably some senior people at the Treasury who are a bit concerned," he says. "They don't want to see an absolute free fall in the dollar or a massacre and will do all they can to avoid that. Nevertheless, there is no real urgent pressure for them to come in right now, step to the plate and buy some dollars." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/19)

"There is a slight amount of disarray at the Fed, but the economy and the economic numbers are going to be so bad - are so bad - that they're going to ease some more," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/19)

"I have to believe that any drop in rates in the U.S. is leading the drops in rates around the world," says EDWARD YARDENI, chief economist at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. "We're leading by several months," he says, estimating it will be "sometime early next year" before Germany or Japan

eases. ("Investor's Daily", 11/20)

"The pressure on the Fed to ease more aggressively is building," asserts BRIAN FABBRI, chief U.S. economist at MIDLAND BANK. "Timid reductions of 0.25 percentage point [in the fed funds rate] may not be sufficient to offset the mounting economic and financial problems. As the evidence of recession mounts, particularly in the critical holiday shopping season, the Fed [might] become more aggressive. The next time it eases policy, it probably will reduce the discount rate as well as the federal funds rate." ("Investor's Daily", 11/20)

An immediate prime-rate cut "just isn't in the cards these days," says ROBERT DEDERICK, executive vice president at NORTHERN TRUST CO. in Chicago. "I don't know why it is that banks are presumed to be the only business in the country that bases its prices on only one particular cost factor." However, Mr. Dederick does expect a cut in the prime rate by year end. (WSJ, 11/20)

"For the time being all of the good news is out," says one trader in government bonds. "The Fed has eased and there are no economic reports for a while. To me that's a formula that says the [bond] market stays kind of soft through this week. But it's a thin, holiday market, and you can't put too much emphasis on what's going on." STEPHEN GALLAGHER, a money market economist at KIDDER, PEABODY & CO. agrees, "As the week progresses, more and more people will be out on vacation. The fact that we will have these early market closes, a full day off and no new data gives us very little incentive to trade." (NYT, 11/20)

"Until the Iraqi oil crisis is settled and inflation can be seen to be headed lower," there's little chance interest rates will come down any further, says ALLEN SINAI, chief economist at the BOSTON CO. ECONOMIC ADVISORS in New York. Mr. Sinai believes the bond market has exhausted the upside potential for now. "It's going to settle in around these yield levels," he says, with yields on the benchmark 30- year bond fluctuating between 8 1/2% to 8 3/4%. ("Investor's Daily", 11/20)

THE ECONOMY:

"The economy is in recession and growing worse very rapidly, and inflation is running at levels better than expected," says ALLEN SINAI, economist at BOSTON CO. (WSJ, 11/20)

"I think it is too early to tell whether the United States will have a negative fourth quarter or whether we will enter a recession," says MICHAEL BOSKIN, chairman of the White House COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS. "I think we will just have to wait for the data for another couple of months to get a better feel for how the economy is doing." ("The Washington Post", 11/20)

There's a crisis of confidence on both the builder and buyer sides of the residential housing market, says KIDDER, PEABODY analyst BARBARA ALLEN.

Existing home sales are holding up better than new homes, says Allen. While sellers' asking prices for homes are declining, as yet there has been no overall decline in sales prices which Allen says are up 1%-2%. (CNN "Business Day", 11/20)

A FEDERAL RESERVE survey of banks has found increased credit restraint, with a large majority tightening standards for commercial real estate loans. "As in past surveys, the pullback was least evident in consumer and home mortgage lending and was clearest in commercial real estate lending, a category for which a large majority of respondents continued to raise their credit standards," the central bank says. "In sum, the results of this lending practices survey suggest that a deterioration in the general economic outlook since the summer has prompted a sizable share of domestic respondents to tighten credit standards." (NYT, 11/20)

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#90324p8568 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAGUNA HILLS, CA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Advantage Life products Inc. (NASDAQ: ADVT) today announced results for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter were $1,898,000 versus revenues of $2,722,000 for the second quarter of fiscal 1990. the company reported a loss for the quarter, before non-recurring expenses, of $80,698, or 2 cents per share as compared to net income of $306,000, or 6 cents per share, for the same period last year.

In the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, the company recorded non-recurring expenses totalling $261,851, which include merchandising costs being amortized over a one-year period and a write-down of packing material and obsolete inventory previously carried at full value. As a result, the net loss for the quarter was $342,556, or 7 cents per share.

Revenues for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $4,034,511 versus $5,162,268 for the first six months of fiscal 1989. The loss for the first six months, prior to extraordinary items, is $47,658, or 1 cent per share. The net loss for the period is $309,516, or 6 cents per share as compared to net income for the first six months of fiscal 1990 of $566,144, or 11 cents per share.

During the second quarter, sales of the CigArrest Stop Smoking System suffered from what appears to be a broad based effort by retailers to minimize inventories in anticipation of a recession as well as competitive pressures. While the company's current retailer base continues to replace inventories, promotions by these retailers have been dramatically curtailed. In addition, the company also incurred increased advertising costs for the quarter in an effort to support continued sales of CigArrest.

Advantage Life Products is the leading marketer and distributor of over-the-counter smoking cessation and smoking alternative products.

CONTACT: David Walke, 212-986-5900; Doug Sherk or Ann Combs, 415-296-7383; all of Morgen-Walke Associates for Advantage Life Products

-30- 2178

#90324p8588 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Crawford & Co. (NYSE: CRDA CRDB) and Graham Miller Group jointly announced today an agreement in principle providing for the acquisition of Graham Miller by Crawford & Co.

Graham Miller Group, a London-based firm, is one of the largest international loss adjusting organizations with 56 offices in 40 countries. Crawford & Co. is the largest independent claims adjusting firm in North America serving both the insurance company and self-insured markets, and also offering diverse healthcare management and risk control services.

The terms of the transaction were not announced, but both companies expect the transaction to close prior to the end of 1990.

CONTACT: J.H. Graham of Crawford & Co., 404-256-0830

-30- 899

#90324p8589 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Medizone International, Inc., through its Canadian company, Medizone Canada, Ltd., and departments of the Canadian government today announced the commencement of a joint interagency cooperative research program which could result in human trials of the Medizone therapy beginning in the Spring of 1991.

Medizone's technology and drug production system is focusing on two main areas -- decontamination of blood and blood products and the treatment of human virally-caused diseases, especially AIDS and hepatitis.

The Canadian government's initial work will be simply to replicate the work of Dr. Bernard Poiesz of the State University of New York at Syracuse. Once the replication of Dr. Poiesz's work is completed, the Medizone therapy will then be studied in S.I.V. (Simian Immunodeficiency Virus) infected rhesus monkeys, which offers an excellent animal model of AIDS in human beings.

In making the announcement, a Medizone spokesman said, "This research work and other activities around the world soon-to-be- announced, will enable the company to offer its treatment regime, as approved by appropriate authorities, to the reportedly more than 10 million AIDS and 130 million hepatitis victims globally."

Medizone International, Inc. and Medizone Canada, Ltd. are traded over-the-counter in the United States.

CONTACT: Katherine M. Kalinowski of Medizone, 212-421-0303.

-30- 1597

#90324p8590 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDLAND, MI (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Gilbert A. Currie, chairman, announced that on Nov. 19, 1990, the board of directors of Chemical Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CHFC) declared a quarterly cash dividend of $0.25 per share, payable on Friday, Dec. 21, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990. The ex-dividend date is Dec. 3, 1990.

Chemical Financial Corporation is one of the 10 largest bank holding companies in Michigan, and the company's 10 affiliated banks operate 73 "Chemical Bank" offices in 19 counties across the mid-section of Michigan's Lower Peninsula. CFC Data Corp., Midland, is the company's wholly owned data processing subsidiary.

The company's common shares are traded in the over-the-counter market and are quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CHFC.

CONTACT: Aloysius J. Oliver of Chemical Financial Corporation, 517-839-5352.

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#90324p8591 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CT (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Corporation (UCC) (NYSE: UK) and Mitsubishi Corporation of Tokyo, today announced that they have entered into an agreement for Mitsubishi to purchase 50 percent of the equity of UCAR Carbon Company Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Union Carbide. UCC will retain ownership of the remaining 50 percent.

The purchase price is $232.5 million in cash. UCAR Carbon is also responsible for $321 million of Union Carbide's consolidated debt. Of that amount, approximately $210 million is represented by inter-company debt owed Union Carbide by UCAR Carbon that now will be financed directly by UCAR Carbon and repaid to UCC at closing. The balance is existing debt of UCAR Carbon's foreign affiliates for which UCC is not liable.

The proposed UCAR Carbon transaction is subject to the approval of government authorities in the U.S., European Community and Japan.

The transaction will result in a non-recurring after-tax book loss to Union Carbide of between $70-90 million as previously reported. An earlier announcement said the loss would be partially offset by expected asset sales

of Union Carbide's 50 percent interests in KEMET Electronics and Lincare, a home oxygen service business, which should result in net income of about $40 million.

Robert D. Kennedy, Union Carbide chairman and chief executive officer, said that the sale and joint ownership of UCAR Carbon Company by UCC and Mitsubishi would create a global alliance that would strengthen the business considerably. He said it would support Carbide's value-building strategy and the company's interest in creating long-term value for shareholders.

UCAR Carbon is the major international supplier of carbon and graphite electrodes to the steel and other industries, and of carbon and graphite specialties to metallurgical industries. UCAR Carbon sales in 1989 totaled $802 million worldwide. The company has graphite electrode manufacturing facilities in nine countries in North America, Western Europe and Brazil.

UCAR Carbon's current management will continue to operate the business, which will retain its current work force of approximately 7,000. Robert P. Krass will continue to serve as president and chief executive officer. Mitsubishi Corporation will use its international sales force to support UCAR Carbon.

Union Carbide and Mitsubishi will have equal voting representation on UCAR Carbon's board of directors. Kennedy will serve as chairman of the board.

Union Carbide, with 1989 sales of $8.74 billion, is one of the 60 largest U.S. industrial corporations, a major producer of chemicals and plastics and one of the world's leading suppliers of industrial gases.

Mitsubishi Corporation is an international trading company with 1989 sales of $117.6 billion in the natural resource, fuel, agricultural, industrial products, biotechnology, electronics, telecommunications and aerospace industries.

CONTACT: Tomm F. Sprick of Union Carbide, 203-794-6992

-30- 3219

#90324p8592 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH WINDSOR, CT (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Gerber Scientific, Inc. (NYSE: GRB) today reported lower second quarter and six-month operating results. Consolidated sales for this year's second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, decreased 9 percent to $68,235,000 from $75,300,000 for the same period last year. Consolidated net earnings for the second quarter of this year were $2,896,000 compared with $8,071,000 for the second quarter of last year, a decrease of 64 percent. Earnings per share declined to $.12 in this year's second quarter from $.34 last year based on average shares outstanding of 23,546,000 and 24,037,000, respectively.

For the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, sales decreased 10 percent to $134,844,000 from $149,970,000 for the previous year. Net earnings in this year's first six months were $5,629,000 compared with $15,792,000 last year, a decrease of 64 percent. Earnings per share were $.24 in this year's first six months compared with $.66 in the same period of last year based on average shares outstanding of 23,594,000 and 24,051,000, respectively.

The company reported that new orders received in the first six months of this year were $127,600,000 compared with $143,800,000 for the same period last year, a decrease of 11 percent. Backlog at Oct. 31, 1990, was $63,600,000 compared with $76,600,000 at Oct. 31, 1989.

On July 24, 1990, the company issued a news release regarding its outlook for operating results for the current fiscal year. The release indicated earnings for the first six months were expected to be significantly lower than the prior year and that without an improvement in economic conditions or significant near-term success for new product introductions, the unfavorable trend in operating results would be difficult to reverse in the second half of the year. The company noted several factors that contributed to this outlook, including increased worldwide competition, a softer U.S. economy, tighter credit availability to customers, bankruptcies in the retail industry, lower military spending, and disruption in Eastern Bloc markets. The company now expects these conditions to continue and to adversely impact operating results in the second half of the year. Where prudent, the company has taken action to reduce costs. However, the company believes it must look beyond the current business cycle and intends to maintain its long-term strategy of developing new products. This will position the company for future growth when economic conditions improve.

The company remains financially strong, with high liquidity and a low ratio of debt-to-equity. Cash and short-term investments increased $11.2 million during the first six months of the current year to $40.9 million at Oct. 31, 1990, and total debt as a percentage of shareholders' equity was 10 percent.

Gerber Scientific, Inc., produces high technology factory automation capital equipment for a variety of industries. CONTACT: Robert D. Lipira of Gerber Scientific, 203-291-8745

-30- 3225

#90324p8595 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Caesars New Jersey Inc. (AMEX: CJN) today announced net income of $5,768,000, or 35 cents per share, for the fiscal 1991 first quarter, compared with $11,104,000, or 68 cents per share, for the fiscal 1990 first quarter.

Revenue for the three-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, amounted to $79,039,000, compared with $87,069,000 in the first quarter of the prior

fiscal year.

The declines resulted mainly from lower table-game win percentages and activity at Caesars Atlantic City. The resort also has been adversely affected by a slower growth rate in the overall New Jersey casino marketplace coupled with the opening of a new, large casino/hotel during April 1990. These factors more than offset the favorable effects of lower marketing costs resulting from a reduction in busing programs at Caesars Atlantic City.

In July 1990, Caesars Atlantic City opened its new parking and transportation center which accommodates some 2,500 vehicles. This facility, along with slot marketing programs and a new premium slot area in the casino, contributed to Caesars Atlantic City increasing its slot activity over the prior-year quarter despite the reduction in busing programs.

Caesars New Jersey is an 86.6 percent owned subsidiary of Caesars World Inc.

CONTACT: Jack Leone of Caesars World, 213-552-2711, ext. 263, for Caesars New Jersey

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OYSTER BAY, NY (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - With a "ho, ho, ho" and a "razz," "beep," "ping!," worldwide home entertainment company Acclaim Entertainment Inc. (NASDAQ: AKLM) is playing "SuperPlay Secret Santa" to American service men and women stationed in the Persian Gulf by donating 10,000 of its SuperPlay(TM) hand-held video games as gifts to the troops.

Via the Boeing Helicopters "Christmas in Saudi Arabia" volunteer program, U.S. troops stationed abroad will receive 2,000 copies of each of Acclaim's Wizards & Warriors(TM), IronSword(TM), BigFoot(R), Knight Rider(TM) and 1943(TM) hand-held video games for their recreational pleasure -- the largest product donation the program has received.

"We understand that electronic games are among the items most requested by soldiers stationed in the Persian Gulf," said Gregory Fischbach, chairman of Acclaim. "We feel the least we can do as a small token of our appreciation is provide gifts of our hand-held games to brighten their holiday season away from home."

As part of the program, Acclaim's SuperPlay hand-helds will be marked with a gift tag, and in the event the troops return home prior to the holidays, the donation will be distributed among charitable organizations.

Acclaim Entertainment Inc. is a leading publisher, marketer and distributor of home entertainment products. These include Nintendo Entertainment System software, Nintendo Game Boy compact video system software, wireless remote

controllers and hand-held electronic video games.

CONTACT: Sam Goldberg or Allyne Mills of Acclaim Entertainment, 516-922-2400.

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#90324p8604 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CALIF. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Clothestime Inc. (NASDAQ: CTME) today announced results for the third quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990.

Sales for the quarter were $48.6 million compared to $48.8 million last year. Net loss for the quarter was $83,000 or $0.01 loss per share compared with a net profit of $2.3 million, or $0.16 profit per share in the same quarter last year.

For the first nine months of fiscal '90, total sales increased 7.3 percent to $152.4 million from $142.0 million registered in the first nine months of last year. Net profit was $17,000 or $0.00 per share versus a net profit of $4.7 million or $0.33 profit per share for the same period last year.

The Clothestime Inc. operates 383 women's apparel stores in 15 states, offering primarily in-season, moderately priced sportswear, dresses and accessories, emphasizing brand names at a substantial discount from the more upscale department and specialty stores.

THE CLOTHESTIME INC.
Summary Results of Operations
(Unaudited)

	Third Quarter		39 Weeks Ended	
	Oct. 27 1990	Oct. 28 1989	Oct. 27 1990	Oct. 28 1989
Net sales	$48,570,000	$48,846,000	$152,374,000	$142,086,000
Net income (loss)	($83,000)	$2,285,000	$17,000	$4,693,000
Earnings (loss) per share	($0.01)	$0.16	$0.00	$0.33
Average shares outstanding	14,085,000	14,478,000	14,103,000	14,355,000

CONTACT: Donna Stein or Amy Ludwig of Mallory Factor Inc., 212-242-0000, for Clothestime; or David Sejpal, CFO & Controller of Clothestime, 714-779-5881, ext. 200

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#90324p8605 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - As previously reported, the management of

American Savings and Loan Association of Florida (NASDAQ: ASLA) is currently reviewing the quality of the collateral securing amounts due to ASLA from The Enstar Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: ENST), the holder of 50 percent of ASLA's common stock ("Enstar") and its affiliates, and the collectibility of those amounts. Due to the ongoing review, ASLA has determined to place on non-accrual status all notes from Enstar and its affiliates. Previously accrued but uncollected interest on these notes, in the amount of $6,494,000, was reversed in ASLA's financial results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. As a result of this action, previously reported net income for the quarter was reduced from $942,000 to a loss of $3,108,000, and earnings per share were reduced from $.02 to a loss of $.06 per share. ASLA is seeking additional collateral from Enstar and its affiliates to further secure their indebtedness to ASLA.

CONTACT: Edward P. Mahoney, president and chief operating officer of American Savings and Loan Association of Florida, 305-770-2099

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#90324p8608 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONROE, MI (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Profits for La-Z-Boy Chair Company (NYSE: LZB) rebounded in the second quarter of fiscal 1991 (ended Oct. 27, 1990), more than matching fiscal 1990's record second- quarter level.

Net sales for the quarter exceeded last year's second quarter's sales by 5 percent. This improvement followed a 5-percent increase in the first quarter of fiscal 1991, resulting in a new first-half sales record for La-Z-Boy despite flat sales for the furniture industry generally.

Consolidated net sales reached $166.8 million, up 5 percent from sales of $159.3 million in the second quarter of fiscal 1990. Operating profit increased 3 percent to $15.6 million. Net profit was $9.0 million, or 50 cents per share, 2 percent higher than the $8.8 million recorded last year. In the first quarter of fiscal 1991, La-Z-Boy recorded a 1-cent-per-share loss when earnings were impacted by costs of expanding the company's production capacity and by an accelerated upgrading of certain key manufacturing operations.

Consolidated net sales increased to $290.2 million, up 5 percent from the prior fiscal year's first half. Operating profit for the period was $17.1 million, down 16 percent, and net profit was $8.8 million, down 20 percent from the same period last year. Profit per share was 49 cents versus 62 cents in the fiscal 1990 first half.

"These figures show how rapidly we recovered from the first quarter," Knabusch said. "If strength in sales and margins can be maintained in the third and fourth quarters, then results for the second half of the year will be very good. Clearly, much depends on the national economy and the willingness of consumers and business people to invest in new furniture."

After several years of essentially flat sales, the furniture industry continues to wait for pent-up demand to trigger a resurgence. "Instead of waiting," Knabusch said, "La-Z-Boy is moving ahead with operational and product improvements intended to keep us outperforming the furniture industry as a whole, which we have been doing consistently.

La-Z-Boy is the nation's largest manufacturer of upholstered furniture and the leading producer of reclining and motion chairs. The company employs 8,000 people, operates 19 manufacturing plants and markets its products through seven divisions: La-Z-Boy Residential, La-Z-Boy Contract, La-Z-Boy Canada, Burris, RoseJohnson, Hammary and Kincaid.

CONTACT: Jim Korsnack of La-Z-Boy Chair Company, 313-241-4414.

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#90324p8609 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGDALE, N.Y. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Colorado Prime Corporation, a Long Island based food service company recently taken private by the investment firm, Kohlberg & Co. L.P., announced today it has realized its long-term goal to service the nation "coast to coast." Upon signing two leases in the Los Angles area, the company now has 55 offices serving 23 states.

"Our expansion requires an aggressive recruiting program to staff these new locations," says President John Masciandaro. Masciandaro also pointed out that the current economic slowdown enables the company to hire a greater number of qualified people.

Additional offices are planned for Michigan, Minnesota, and North Carolina.

CONTACT: Daniel Benjamin of Colorado Prime, 516-694-1111

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#90324p8610 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Hall-Houston Oil Company announced today that it has withdrawn its proposed initial public offering of five million shares of Hall-Houston common stock due to poor market conditions. Hall-Houston believes the cancellation of this offering will have no significant impact on its active Gulf of Mexico exploration program.

Hall-Houston Oil Company, headquartered in Houston, is engaged in oil and gas exploration, development and production operations in the Gulf of Mexico.

CONTACT: Wayne P. Hall, president, or Bennett A. Thomas, CFO of Hall-Houston, 713-228-0711

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#90324p8616 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOLLYWOOD, FLA. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Columbia Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: COB) and Sterling Drug Inc. today jointly announced that they have signed a letter of intent under which Sterling will become the exclusive manufacturer and marketer of Columbia's Replens(R) vaginal moisturizer in Latin America and parts of the Caribbean region. The letter of intent is subject to the parties entering into a definitive contract.

Under the letter of intent, Columbia will receive a royalty on Sterling sales of the product. In addition, Columbia will provide Sterling with technical assistance and will sell to Sterling raw materials for manufacturer of the product.

"This relationship will open a major new market for a product that has already achieved strong physician and consumer acceptance in the United States," said Norman M. Meier, Columbia president and chief executive officer. "We are looking forward to working with such a prestigious company to make Replens available to the millions of women in Latin America and the Caribbean who suffer from this common health care problem associated with menopause."

Replens is currently on the market in the United States and England. It is available to consumers without a prescription, and is the only non-hormonal product that successfully addresses the problem of vaginal dryness with a sustained release moisturizer. Vaginal dryness is estimated to affect more than 70 million women in the United States, Europe and South America.

Sterling Drug Inc. is a leading marketer of ethical pharmaceuticals and consumer products throughout Latin America, and has had a major presence in this market for almost 50 years. Sterling Drug has a strong market position in female health care with Danazol(tm), a leading prescription product in the treatment of endometriosis, benign breast disease and menorrhagia. "Replens will further strengthen our presence in the female health sector," said Raymond Hannigan, president of Sterling's Latin America, Canada and Asia Division.

Columbia Laboratories, Inc. is a U.S.-based international pharmaceutical company, established in 1987, dedicated primarily to developing and marketing women's health care products based on its patented bioadhesive drug delivery system. Replens, introduced to U.S. consumers during the first quarter 1990, is Columbia's first proprietary product based on this system.

CONTACT: Marcia A. Kean, executive VP of Peter Feinstein Inc., 617-577-8110, for Columbia Laboratories; or Michael M. Yoshitsu, director of international public affairs for Sterling International, 212-907-2912

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#90324p8618 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Excluding the effect of merger and acquisition costs, Medtronic, Inc. (NYSE: MDT) announced second- quarter earnings per share of $1.11 today as it reported the first consolidated financial results since merging with Bio-Medicus, Inc., on Sept. 21, 1990. Net earnings, excluding merger and acquisition costs, were $32.9 million, compared with $27.3 million in the second quarter a year ago. Earnings per share were up 18.1 percent from $0.94, the comparable figure for a year earlier.

Revenues were $254.6 million, an increase of 22.7 percent over restated results of the second quarter last year. Operational performance was strong and was enhanced by the impact of favorable currency translation.

Including recognition of merger and acquisition costs, net earnings set a second-quarter record of $28.7 million, compared with restated earnings of $26.2 million last year. Merger and acquisition costs in the quarter reduced consolidated earnings $0.14 per share to $0.97 in the current year and $0.04 to $0.90 in the previous year.

Winston R. Wallin, chairman and chief executive officer, noted that, "It was an especially strong quarter, with all six Medtronic businesses contributing to revenue and market-share increases. Sales were excellent around the world, especially in Europe."

Worldwide revenues from the company's pacing business increased significantly as pulse generator unit sales posted gains both inside and outside the United States. In late October, Medtronic introduced the world's smallest pacemaker -- the 17-gram Micro Minix(TM) -- to the United States market.

Medtronic recently announced that it had submitted to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration an application for premarketing approval of its implantable PCD(TM) (pacemaker-cardioverter-defibrillator) device with an epicardial lead system. The PCD, designed to offer staged therapy for tachyarrhythmia (too-rapid heartbeat), has been implanted in more than 400 patients during worldwide clinical trials.

The company's heart valve revenue continued strong growth, primarily attributable to sales of bioprosthetic models.

Medtronic, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, is a leading developer and manufacturer of biomedical devices for improving cardiovascular and neurological health.

CONTACT: (Investor Relations) Elizabeth Combs, 612-574-3038; or (Public Relations) Dick Reid, 612-574-3052, both of Medtronic, Inc.

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#90324p8620 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASHVILLE, TENN. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - GENESCO Inc. (NYSE: GCO) announced today operating results for its third quarter ended October 31, 1990.

As expected GENESCO reported lower sales and a loss for the third quarter. Sales for the quarter were $118,645,000 with a net loss of $337,000, or $.02 per share, compared to sales of $127,989,000 and net earnings of $5,423,000, or $.23 per share, in 1989.

The third quarter loss includes a previously announced, one-time net charge of $1.3 million, or $.06 per share, for the establishment of reserves to cover anticipated costs to sell or close an unprofitable footwear wholesale company and a footwear components manufacturing operation. The $1.3 million charge is net of favorable adjustments to reserves relating to previously divested operations, including the substantial completion of an environmental remediation project at less than originally estimated costs.

For the nine months ended October 31, 1990, sales were $345,736,000 with a loss of $2,058,000, or $.10 per share. This loss includes the $1.3 million reserve and an extraordinary charge of $1.2 million recorded in the first quarter from the early retirement of long-term debt. This compares to sales of $352,512,000 and earnings of $10,896,000, or $.48 per share, in the same period a year ago.

"A recession is clearly impacting our business," William S. Wire II, chairman and chief executive officer of GENESCO, said. "This recession doesn't change our long range plans. But we are making adjustments for the present. We intend to manage our way through the recession by controlling expenses and working capital, and to emerge from the recession lean and competitive.

"We previously announced our plans to sell or close an unprofitable women's footwear wholesale business. In addition, we are closing an unprofitable footwear components facility in Reynosa, Mexico," Wire said.

GENESCO, headquartered in Nashville, Tenn., is a consumer products company with operations concentrated in footwear and men's apparel.

CONTACT: Teresa N. Miller (Media), 615-367-8281, or James S. Gulmi (Financial), 615-367-8325, both of GENESCO Inc.

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#90324p8621 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PURCHASE, NY (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM Corp. (NYSE: IBM) and Check Consultants, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of First Tennessee National Corporation (NASDAQ: FTEN), today announced an agreement, pending bank

regulatory approval, to form a general partnership to provide integrated check processing solutions to customers in the financial services industry.

The partnership will be called Check Solutions Company, and will develop and market check and check image application software and services for use by banks and other financial institutions.

The partnership initially will have customer offerings in four major lines of business:

-- Application Software: developing new, and enhancing existing, check and check imaging software based on IBM's Check Processing Control System (CPCS) for IBM's 389X/XP family of reader sorters;

-- Implementation Services: helping customers upgrade their existing check applications to the latest system release and assisting in the implementation of check imaging;

-- Software Maintenance: supporting ongoing releases of new and existing check processing applications;

-- Education: technical end-user education offerings in check and check imaging applications.

Ownership of Check Solutions will be shared by IBM and First Tennessee. Further details of the partnership agreement were not disclosed.

The partnership will establish its headquarters in Memphis, Tenn., with a facility to be opened in Charlotte, N.C. Check Solutions will begin operations on Jan. 1, 1991.

Check Consultants, Inc., with expertise and proven offerings in check processing and software, will form the foundation of Check Solutions.

CONTACT: Terry Lee of First Tennessee, 901-523-4380; or Ken W. Sayers of IBM, 914-697-6537

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#90324p8622 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, N.J. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Liposome Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: LIPO) and Pfizer Inc. (NYSE: PFE) today announced that The Liposome Company has licensed to Pfizer worldwide rights to TLC D-99, an anticancer drug being developed by The Liposome Company.

The agreement between Pfizer and The Liposome Company (TLC) provides for continued development of TLC D-99, currently in Phase II clinical trials, by TLC with reimbursement by Pfizer of TLC's development expenses. All product

development activities will be overseen by a product development committee chaired by Pfizer with members from both companies. TLC will be compensated by payments that reflect success in meeting developmental milestones and by royalty payments that are based on sales of the product in world markets. Pfizer expects to manufacture and will market the product on a worldwide basis. It is anticipated that, in the United States, TLC will be involved in educational activities with clinical investigators and other key oncologists.

TLC D-99 is a liposomal formulation of doxorubicin, one of the most widely used drugs in the treatment of cancer. While effective, doxorubicin is associated with significant side effects, including cardiotoxicity, nausea, alopecia (hair loss), and mucositis (inflammation of the mucous membranes). In cancer patients, Phase I studies with TLC D-99 demonstrated reductions in serious doxorubicin side effects.

Liposomes are microscopic man-made spheres composed of lipids. These spheres can be designed to encapsulate a drug. The lipid encapsulation of doxorubicin is expected to form a new drug with doxorubicin's efficacy and a significantly improved side effect profile.

In the United States, sales of chemotherapy agents and radiation equipment used to treat cancer patients exceed $1 billion. Sales of doxorubicin total approximately $300 million on a worldwide basis.

Pfizer, Inc. is a diversified, research-based health care company with businesses in pharmaceuticals, hospital products, consumer products, animal health, specialty chemicals and specialty minerals. The company reported sales of approximately $5.7 billion for 1989.

The Liposome Company, based in Princeton, N.J., is the largest company dedicated exclusively to the development of liposome-based pharmaceuticals, and is primarily focused on developing advanced liposomal drugs for the treatment of cancer and serious infectious diseases.

CONTACT: Marc Ostro, chief science officer of The Liposome Company, 609-452-7060, or Anthony J. Russo or Claudia Mueller of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for The Liposome Company

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#90324p8624 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Gateway Communications Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: GWAY) has been awarded "1990 Product of the Year" by Systems Integration Magazine for its G/Ethernet 16 local area network product. The prestigious award, recognizing the products and companies that best served the needs of systems integrators during the last year, was announced Nov. 12 during a special awards ceremony at the Comdex trade show in Las Vegas.

Gateway's G/Ethernet 16 was voted the winner by the readers of Systems Integration, beating out 3Com Corp. and Western Digital in the "LAN or Ethernet Cards" category. G/Ethernet 16 follows the award-winning tradition of its sister products, G/Ethernet AT and G/EtherTwist, which have won similar awards from such publications as PC magazine and InfoWorld Magazine.

First introduced in February 1987, G/Ethernet is gateway's award- winning family of IEEE 802.3 Ethernet LAN adapters. The low-cost G/Ethernet 16 was introduced in April 1990. Gateway is one of the industry leaders in the Ethernet market.

G/Ethernet adapters are available for IBM PC, XT, AT, PS/2-30 Micro Channel, and 80386-based machines. Suggested U.S. retail prices are $300 for G/Ethernet 16, $250 for G/Ethernet 8, $370 for G/Ethernet 8-bit PC, $345 for G/Ethernet 8-bit PC-WS (Work Station), $445 for G/Ethernet 16-bit AT, $425 for G/Ethernet 16-bit AT-WS, $495 for G/Ethernet MC (Micro Channel), $475 for G/Ethernet MC-WS.

Gateway Communications Inc. designs, manufactures and markets a full range of networking and communications products for IBM and compatible personal computers. Gateway products are sold in more than 70 countries worldwide. Corporate and international headquarters are located at 2941 Alton Ave., Irvine, Calif., 92714; telephone 714-553-1555; and fax 714-553-1616.

CONTACT: Jean Taber or Bradley Morse of Gateway Communications, 714-553-1555.

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TAMPA, FL (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Check Express Inc. (NASDAQ: CHXS), owner, operator and franchisor of retail check cashing centers, today announced unaudited results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

Total revenues in the third quarter of 1990 were $829,770 (A) vs. $829,430 in 1989. Net earnings in the third quarter increased to $106,816 (A) ($.020 per share) from $11,233 ($.002 per share) in 1989.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, revenues were $2,770,600 (A) vs. $2,528,842 in 1989. Net income for the nine-month period increased to $194,134 (A) ($.036 per share) from $52,818 ($.010 per share) in 1989.

(A) Peter F. Borer, president, stated, "The 1990 data includes the July 31, 1990, conversion (sale) of three company-owned stores to an existing franchise owner which resulted in a non-operating gain and a bad debt provision relative to the March 31, 1990, termination of the mobile program." Further details are reflected in the company's 10Q.

Check Express operates 42 company-owned and franchise retail money centers

providing check cashing, money orders, money transfers and related services.

CHECK EXPRESS INC.
Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited)

Qtr. ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Total revenues	$829,770	$829,430
Operating income (A)	189,386	44,514
Net earnings (A)	106,816	11,233
Net earnings per common shr. (A)	.020	.002
Weighted avg. number of shares outstanding	5,320,006	5,320,006
9 mos. ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Total revenues	$2,770,600	$2,528,842
Operating income (A)	356,034	150,966
Net earnings (A)	194,134	52,818
Net earnings per common shr. (A)	.036	.010
Weighted avg. number of shares outstanding	5,320,006	5,320,006

(A) See above comments.

CONTACT: Larry Lang or Eugene Maleski, both of Check Express, 813-289-2888.

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#90324p8631 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, NY (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastchester Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: ECFC) confirmed today that the period during which Eastchester was permitted to solicit inquiries from other parties interested in the possible acquisition of Eastchester, as permitted under its agreement dated Oct. 5, 1990, with North Fork Bancorporation, Inc. (NYSE: NFB), had expired on Nov. 16 1990. Eastchester intends to proceed with the transaction contemplated by the merger agreement with North Fork. The Oct. 5, 1990, agreement provided for the acquisition of Eastchester by North Fork, at a purchase price of $15.50 in cash for each share, for a total price of approximately $62 million.

Malcolm J. Delaney, president and chief executive officer of Eastchester, stated, "We have conducted a thorough market check of the value of the company's stock and believe that we have obtained the most favorable transaction for our shareholders."

John Adam Kanas, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of North Fork, stated, "We are delighted that this uncertainty has been resolved, and we look forward to consummating the transaction."

The merger remains subject to approval of the shareholders of Eastchester and receipt of required regulatory approvals by both Eastchester and North Fork.

A special meeting of the shareholders of Eastchester will be held in January to vote upon the merger. The parties currently anticipate that the merger will be completed in March or April of 1991.

CONTACT: William J. Volckmann, senior vice president and comptroller of Eastchester, 914-285-9600.

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#90324p8633 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO, TX (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Additions to reserves as a result of the regular annual examination by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency have caused Cullen/Frost Bankers, Inc. (NASDAQ: CFBI) to report a loss of $9.9 million or $1.12 per common share for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, the bank announced today. This compares to net income of $754,000 or $.09 per common share for the third quarter of 1989.

"We anticipate returning to profitability in this next quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990," said T. C. Frost, chairman of the board. "The loss resulted from changes in the regulatory environment which required us to add to reserves. We regret the loss, but it should be considered in relation to the size of our total capital funds and reserves of $218 million."

"We continue our history of maintaining the strength of our balance sheet through a high level of liquidity, sufficient reserves, and a good capital base," Frost added.

During the quarter, the provision for possible loan losses was $15.3 million. After net charge-offs of $11.8 million, the balance in the reserve for loan losses was $45.5 million or 3.54 percent of period- end loans at Sept. 30, 1990.

Non-performing assets were $127 million or 3.94 percent of period- end assets at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $137 million or 4.20 percent reported for the previous quarter.

"We are encouraged that our non-accruing asset levels appear to be stabilizing " said Frost. "And our sales of foreclosed assets are progressing at a much improved pace compared to last year. In addition, our selling prices of these properties have averaged book value."

Cullen/Frost's highlights include: -- Net interest income on a non-taxable equivalent basis was $27.9 million for the third quarter of 1990, up from $27.5 million for the previous quarter and three percent ahead of 1989 year-to-date results.

-- Non-interest income of $13.1 million for the third quarter was flat with the previous quarter. This category grew eight percent year-to-date when

one-time gains occurring during 1989 are eliminated.

-- Trust fee income increased six percent from the previous quarter and is up 16 percent year-to-date.

-- Non-interest expenses totalled $35.5 million for the third quarter, compared with $34.0 million for the previous quarter. Year-to-date increases are primarily attributable to increased costs of operating foreclosed assets. Salary and benefit expenses were down from both the previous quarter and the third quarter of last year.

-- Total deposits are steady at $2.9 billion. The third quarter 1990 loss results in a year-to-date loss of $8.8 million, $1.00 per common share. This compares to net income of $2.2 million or $.26 per common share last year.

Cullen/Frost Bankers, Inc. is a multi-bank holding company with assets of $3.2 billion at Sept. 30, 1990. The corporation has four member banks and 21 offices in five major Texas banking markets -- San Antonio, Houston/Galveston, Austin, Corpus Christi and Dallas.

CULLEN/FROST BANKERS, INC.
(Consolidated, unaudited, in thousands of dollars)

	1990			1989	
	3rd Qtr	2nd Qtr	1st Qtr	4th Qtr	3rd Qtr
Net interest income	$27,913	$27,529	$27,099	$26,936	$25,339
Net interest income(A)	28,614	28,247	27,869	27,772	26,219
Prov. for possible loan losses	15,264	5,695	6,686	6,513	6,407
non-interest income	13,075	12,849	11,944	13,067	11,253
Non-interest expense	35,543	33,989	31,802	32,974	29,394
Net income (loss)	(9,891)	622	511	428	754
Per common share data:					
Net income (loss)	$(1.12)	$.07	$.06	$.05	$.09
Shareholders' equity	19.59	20.78	20.82	20.81	20.89
Avg. common & common equiv. shares	8,824,812	8,781,481	8,672,106	8,698,519	8,701,394

Balance sheet
(in millions of dollars)

	1990			1989	
	3rd Qtr	2nd Qtr	1st Qtr	4th Qtr	3rd Qtr
Average Balance:					
Loans	$1,299	$1,325	$1,357	$1,378	$1,361
Earning assets	2,839	2,855	3,010	3,129	3,019
Total assets	3,258	3,256	3,427	3,523	3,411
Private deposits	2,718	2,718	2,725	2,779	2,699
Public funds	156	153	155	147	140
Total deposits	2,874	2,871	2,880	2,926	2,839

Period-End Balance:					
Loans	$1,285	$1,323	$1,339	$1,370	$1,338
Earning assets	2,803	2,839	2,914	3,076	3,053
Total assets	3,220	3,252	3,322	3,505	3,448
Total deposits	2,861	2,886	2,926	2,980	2,895
Shareholders' equity	172	182	180	179	179
Primary capital ratio	6.67%	6.79%	6.62%	6.25%	6.30%
Total capital ratio	7.19	7.30	7.12	6.72	6.82

(A) -- Taxable-equivalent basis assuming a 34 percent tax rate.

CULLEN/FROST BANKERS, INC.

(Consolidated, unaudited, in thousands of dollars)

	1990			1989	
	3rd Qtr	2nd Qtr	1st Qtr	4th Qtr	3rd Qtr
Return on avg. assets	N/A	.08%	.06%	.05%	.09%
Return on avg. equity	N/A	1.39	1.15	.95	1.70
Net interest income to avg. earn. assets(A)	4.02%	3.96	3.71	3.54	3.46
Allowance for possible loan losses	$45,461	$41,955	$42,436	$42,282	$40,851
As a percentage of period-end loans	3.54%	3.17%	3.17%	3.09%	3.05%
Net charge-offs:					
Real estate	$5,016	$2,623	$1,365	$3,291	$4,696
Commercial & industrial	5,847	3,142	1,195	615	1,769
Energy	(111)	(99)	(499)	(79)	288
Consumer	733	737	548	410	1,163
Other	273	(227)	3,923	1,655	480
Total	$11,758	$6,176	$6,532	$5,892	$8,396
As a percentage of average loans	3.59%	1.87%	1.95%	1.70%	2.45%
Non-performing assets:					
Non-accrual loans	$60,274	$67,808	$61,101	$59,223	$49,173
Restructured loans	187	10,418	16,661	17,170	1,764
Foreclosed assets, net of allowance	66,466	58,488	59,173	55,340	68,613
Total	$126,927	$136,714	$136,935	$131,733	$119,550
As a percentage of:					
Total assets	3.94%	4.20%	4.12%	3.76%	3.47%
Total loans plus foreclosed assets	9.39	9.89	9.80	9.24	8.50

(A) -- Taxable-equivalent basis assuming a 34% tax rate.

(Consolidated, unaudited, in thousands of dollars)

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989

Net interest income	$82,541	$80,024
Net interest income(A)	84,730	82,774
Provision for possible loan losses	27,645	22,389
Non-interest income	37,868	37,413
Non-interest expense	101,334	92,691
Net income (loss)	(8,758)	2,245
PER COMMON SHARE DATA		
Net income (loss)	$(1.00)	$.26
Shareholders' equity	19.59	20.89
Avg. common & common equiv. shares	8,752,008	8,657,379

Balance sheet
(in millions of dollars)

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
Average Balance:		
Loans	$1,327	$1,417
Earning assets	2,901	3,051
Total assets	3,313	3,432
Private deposits	2,721	2,691
Public funds	154	150
Total deposits	2,875	2,841
Period-End Balance:		
Loans	$1,285	$1,338
Earning assets	2,803	3,053
Total assets	3,220	3,448
Total deposits	2,861	2,895
Shareholders' equity	172	179
Primary capital ratio	6.67%	6.30%
Total capital ratio	7.19	6.82

(A) -- Taxable-equivalent basis assuming a 34% tax rate.

(Consolidated, unaudited, in thousands of dollars)

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
Return on average assets	N/A	.09%
Return on average equity	N/A	1.69
Net interest income to average earning assets (A)	3.89%	3.61%
Allowance for possible loan losses	$45,461	$40,851
As a percentage of period-end loans	3.54%	3.05%
Net charge-offs:		
Real estate	$9,004	$12,748
Commercial and industrial	10,184	4,789
Energy	(709)	1,171
Consumer	2,018	1,917
Other	3,969	1,615
Total	$24,466	$22,240
As a percentage of average loans	2.47%	2.10%
Non-performing assets:		

Non-accrual loans	$60,274	$49,173
Restructured loans	187	1,764
Foreclosed assets, net of allow	66,466	68,613
Total	$126,927	$119,550
As a percentage of:		
Total assets	3.94%	3.47%
Total loans plus foreclosed assets	9.39	8.50

(A) -- Taxable-equivalent basis assuming a 34% tax rate.

CONTACT: Jerry Salinas of Cullen/Frost Bankers, 512-220-4605, or Eric Whittington of Dublin-McCarter & Associates, 512-227-0221, for Cullen/Frost Bankers.

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#90324p8634 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

JERSEY CITY, NJ (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The B. Manischewitz Company and MANO Acquisition Corporation announced today that no hearing has been held in the pending Ohio state court action challenging MANO Acquisition's tender offer for Manischewitz shares scheduled to expire at midnight on Nov. 21, 1990. It had previously been announced that a hearing would be held on Nov. 19, 1990. Manischewitz and MANO Acquisition also announced that no hearing has been scheduled prior to midnight on Nov. 21, 1990.

CONTACT: Robert A. Mann, vice president of The B. Manischewitz Company, 201-333-3700, or Fred Garcia of Clark & Weinstock, 212-953-1550, for Kohlberg & Co.

-30- 840

#90324p8640 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - BLOCKBUSTER Entertainment Corp. (NYSE: BV) has reached an agreement in principle to acquire Erol's Inc.

Erol's owns and operates 208 videocassette rental and sales stores in the Washington, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Cleveland, Chicago, Richmond and Norfolk/Tidewater metropolitan areas.

After the acquisition, BLOCKBUSTER intends to transfer certain acquired operations in franchised areas to its franchise owners in such areas.

BLOCKBUSTER will acquire Erol's operations in exchange for cash, a note, BLOCKBUSTER common stock and debt assumption, having an approximate total value of $40 million. The closing of the acquisition by BLOCKBUSTER is subject to certain customary conditions including the execution of a definitive acquisition agreement and the obtaining of certain lenders' agreements.

BLOCKBUSTER also announced the opening of its 1,500th store, which is located in Vancouver, British Columbia. Of the total, 762 are company-owned and 738 are franchise-owned. BLOCKBUSTER has stores in 142 major markets in 44 states the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico and Canada and three major markets in the United Kingdom.

CONTACT: Steven R. Berrard or Wally Knief of BLOCKBUSTER Entertainment, 305-524-8200, or Margaret A. Chittal, vice chairman of Erol's, 703-642-3300

-30- 1504

#90324p8642 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Alliant Techsystems (NYSE: ATK) today announced that J. Fred Bucy and William J. Fife, Jr. have been elected to the company's board of directors. Alliant Techsystems was spun-off from Honeywell Inc. as an independent, publicly owned company on Sept. 28, 1990.

Bucy, age 62, currently serves as chairman of International Finance and Technology Investment Corp., Dallas, Texas, a privately held company that provides investment-related services to companies worldwide.

Bucy served as president of Texas Instruments, Inc., Dallas, from 1976 to 1984 at which time he also was named chief executive officer. He retired in 1985 following a 32-year career with the company.

Bucy serves as chairman of the board of regents of Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas, and also serves as chairman of the Texas Scientific Advisory Council. He was a founding advisory board member to the U.S. Congress' Office of Technology Assessment and has served on the Defense Science Board of the Department of Defense. He also serves as chairman of the Texas National Research Laboratory Commission, which oversees the Superconducting Supercollider project.

Bucy is a graduate of Texas Tech University, where he received a bachelor of arts degree in physics. He received a master of arts degree in physics from the University of Texas, Austin.

Fife, age 53, currently serves as chairman and chief executive officer of Giddings & Lewis, Inc., Fond du Lac, Wis., a manufacturer of automated machine tools, factory automation systems and assembly automation systems. In 1987, he joined the firm as president and assumed his present responsibilities in July 1989.

Before joining Giddings & Lewis, Fife served for two years as president of Kearny and Trecker, Milwaukee, which also manufactures machine tools and factory automation equipment.

Prior to that assignment, Fife served as a divisional president at Combustion Engineering Co., Tulsa, Okla.

Fife is a director of the First Wisconsin National Bank of Fond de Lac and Basic Electronics Manufacturing Corp., Round Lake Beach, Ill. He is a member of the Wisconsin Governor's Council on Science and Technology and also serves as a corporate member of the Milwaukee School of Engineering.

Fife is a graduate of John Carroll University, Cleveland, where he received a bachelor of science degree in business administration.

Alliant Techsystems supplies high-quality precision armament, ordnance, marine and information storage systems to the United States Government and its allies. In 1989, the company had revenues of $1.3 billion and net income of $42 million. Headquartered in Minnesota, Alliant Techsystems employs 8,000 people.

CONTACT: Howard J. Schlaifer of Alliant Techsystems, 612-931-4694

-30- 3004

#90324p8643 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Edward Wells, chief operating officer of Larizza Industries Inc. (AMEX: LII) (holding company of Manchester Plastics, Inc.), announced today the planned closure of its Manchester, Mich., facility. Wells cited the overall automotive industry downturn, the relocation of two large customer contracts and the need to cut costs through corporate streamlining as reasons for the decision which affects the entire work force of 115.

The plant, a producer of plastic injection molded interior trim components for the automotive industry, will be phased out over the next 3-1/2 months with a tentative shutdown date of March 1, 1991. Manchester Plastics Inc. will continue operations at two Michigan facilities as well as their three Canadian locations.

CONTACT: Terence C. Seikel of Larizza Industries, Inc., 313-689-5800.

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#90324p8645 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Laventhol & Horwath expects to file a Chapter 11 bankruptcy petition tomorrow (Wednesday, Nov. 21) seeking court protection from its creditors, the firm said today.

"A series of tragic circumstances brought this proud firm to this sad day," said Robert Levine, executive partner and chief executive officer of the accounting firm.

Levine emphasized that "despite our sorrow, the partners have every intention of continuing to serve our clients."

According to Levine, the Chapter 11 filing will be made due to a severe cash squeeze and the firm's inability to repay its bank loans.

"My management team and I did all we could do to avert this tragedy, but the clock ran out on us," said Levine.

Levine, who has officially held the top office at the firm since June 1, 1990, said the cash squeeze resulted from high litigation defense costs, a dramatic downturn in the real estate and hospitality markets, two of the firm's major industry specialties, and the softening of the general economy.

"Most accounting firms are suffering from high litigation costs and our firm is no exception," Levine said. "Because of the raised expectations of plaintiffs and the popular misconception of auditors as all-seeing and all-knowing, the number of lawsuits against accounting firms has skyrocketed."

Including Laventhol & Horwath's contingent liabilities for litigation and other matters, the firm's liabilities far exceed its assets. Bank debt stands at approximately $85 million.

"Laventhol and Horwath has made arrangements for the partners to acquire the rights to service our clients," said Levine.

Laventhol & Horwath began a major acquisition program in 1984, acquiring 65 local and regional accounting and consulting firms through 1989.

Based in Philadelphia, Laventhol & Horwath has 50 offices in principal U.S. cities.

CONTACT: Lou Grossman, 215-299-1552, for Laventhol & Horwath

-30- 2131

#90324p8653 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE, MD. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE) has established an in-house recycling program with potential benefits to not only the environment, but the company, the community and the city of Baltimore.

Earlier this month, BG&E implemented a pilot white paper recycling program at its downtown headquarters that could save $20,000-$25,000 annually in waste removal costs. Savings from the program are going to the BG&E Foundation, which provides corporate donations to charitable causes.

In addition to the environmental and economic benefits, the white paper recycling program is expected to cut up to 800 pounds a week of white paper currently discarded at the two locations, the G&E Building and adjacent One Center Plaza.

This reduction could assist the city of Baltimore in adhering to the Maryland Recycling Act, passed by the Maryland General Assembly in 1988, which requires each state jurisdiction to recycle between 10 and 20 percent of its solid waste by 1992.

"The city is relying on businesses to lead the way in these reduction efforts " said Clare Miller, senior public affairs representative, who represents BG&E on the Baltimore City/Baltimore County Task Force on Waste Stream Management and Reduction.

"This particular recycling program carries a lot of benefits, from reducing the amount of waste BG&E is contributing to the environment, to helping others. The time is right for this type of program at BG&E."

The program consists of BG&E employees collecting recyclable paper in receptacles located at their desks, then taking the paper to bins placed on each floor of the building. The Vangel Paper Co. in Lansdowne is handling the company's recycling effort.

BG&E's recycling movement is being spearheaded by an internal task force which is studying ways to reduce the company's $1 million annual waste removal costs. Along with the white paper project, the task force is overseeing an aluminum can recycling project underway at the Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, where an estimated 860,000 aluminum cans are discarded each year.

CONTACT: Arthur J. Slusark of Baltimore Gas and Electric, 301-234-7433

-30- 2383

#90324p8656 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEICESTER, NY (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - CPAC, Inc. (NASDAQ: CPAK) President and Chief Executive Officer Thomas N. Hendrickson today announced that the board of directors had declared a quarterly dividend of 6 cents per share to be paid on Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 28 1990.

CPAC, Inc. is a manufacturer of chemicals and silver recovery/pollution control equipment for the worldwide imaging market.

CONTACT: Wendy F. Clay of CPAC, 716-382-3223.

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#90324p8658 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc., (NASDAQ: JCOR) announced that it has obtained an extension until Nov. 26 of payments due holders of certain notes and warrants and until Dec. 3 of its commitment to its senior lenders to raise $15 million of equity as discussions continue to restructure the company's obligations to those parties. Jacor does not expect to satisfy the equity requirement by Dec. 3 and will be seeking a further extension or elimination of such provision. There can be no assurance that a further extension or elimination will be granted.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

CONTACT: R. Christopher Weber or Jon M. Berry, 513-621-1300, both of Jacor Communications, Inc.

-30- 1143

#90324p8662 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, NJ (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Cytogen Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTO) reported today it has successfully completed a multicenter Phase I human clinical study for OncoScint(R) PR356, the company's monoclonal antibody-based imaging agent for prostatic cancer.

Based on encouraging preliminary findings, Phase II studies have been initiated in patients scheduled to undergo staging lymphadenectomy. These studies are designed to provide a definite evaluation of the imaging performance of the product and the impact of OncoScint upon the management of prostatic cancer patients.

The results of the initial clinical investigation demonstrate that this agent has been safely administered to patients with prostatic carcinoma. In addition, immunoscintigraphy with OncoScint PR356 detected soft tissue disease and bone lesions, including occult disease, thereby suggesting the potential utility of this agent in improving the accuracy of staging (determination of the extent of spread) of prostate cancer patients.

"We are very optimistic about the diagnostic potential of OncoScint PR356," noted Thomas J. McKearn, M.D., Ph.D., executive vice president of Cytogen. He continued, "In these Phase I studies, which involved more than 40 patients, no adverse reactions were experienced. Additionally, we are pleased that only one of these patients developed a positive human anti-mouse antibody (HAMA) response after infusion. This favorable HAMA profile may be very significant for repeated diagnostic infusion and possible therapeutic applications of this antibody."

Prostate cancer is now the most common cancer among men in the United States, according to the American Cancer Society. It is estimated that one out of 11 men will develop prostate cancer during his lifetime. More than 100,000 new cases of prostate cancer will occur in the United States in 1990 and nearly 30,000 will die of the disease. Accurate diagnosis of prostate cancer is essential prior to treatment, and histologic and/or cytologic grading and determination of the stage of disease are necessary to plan appropriate treatment and to provide patient prognosis.

OncoScint PR356 is one of six cancer imaging agents being developed by Cytogen. Two of these agents, OncoScint CR103 for imaging colorectal cancer and OncoScint OV103 for imaging ovarian cancer, are awaiting FDA marketing approval. OncoScint CR103 is also under review with the Committee for Proprietary Medicinal Products (CPMP) in Europe.

Cytogen Corp. is a biopharmaceutical company which has developed proprietary systems for linking drugs and diagnostic agents to monoclonal antibodies in order to optimize the function of the antibody as a delivery vehicle. With major emphasis on human cancer, current product development efforts at Cytogen are focused on improved cancer diagnostic imaging agents and the targeted delivery of cancer therapeutic agents directly to tumor sites.

CONTACT: Cheryl Shipley Coyle of Cytogen, 609-987-8221.

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#90324p8664 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP) today announced the formation of a new subsidiary, Coastal Multi-Fuels, Inc., to market energy products to customers having alternative fuel capability.

Kenneth J. Vestal will be senior vice president of Coastal Multi- Fuels, Inc. In this newly created position, Vestal will oversee the sale of natural gas, oil and/or coal to commercial, industrial and utility customers.

"Other Coastal subsidiaries are major suppliers of natural gas, fuel oils and low sulphur coal," said Vestal. "Therefore, the new subsidiary can offer its customers the full range of fuels based on changing prices, supply availability, environmental concerns and other factors."

For the past two years, Vestal has been senior vice president, refined product supply and trading, in Coastal's refining and marketing subsidiary. Previously, he had been president of a domestic subsidiary of Challenger Petroleum, Ltd. and prior to that held several positions with Coastal subsidiaries in Houston; Wichita, Kan., St. Louis, and Memphis, Tenn.

The Coastal Corporation is a Houston-based energy holding company. It has consolidated assets of $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas

transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal and chemicals and independent power production.

CONTACT: Barbara Johnson of Coastal, 713-877-3293

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#90324p8665 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEEDHAM, MASS. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - LoJack Corp. (NASDAQ: LOJN; BSE: LOJ.B) announced today that the LoJack Stolen Vehicle Recovery System has been tested and accepted by the Illinois State Police and is fully operational in the suburban and metropolitan Chicago area, where 90 percent of the vehicle thefts in the state of Illinois are committed. As a result, marketing and installations of LoJack units to the public has begun in a six-county area comprising the metropolitan Chicago area.

In reporting the start-up of operations, C. Michael Daley, president, said, "We are delighted to begin operations in Illinois, which ranked sixth in the nation in vehicle thefts in 1989 with 70,806. LoJack is now operational in six of the ten largest markets for auto sales, which also account for 27 percent of the vehicle thefts in the U.S."

In addition to Illinois, LoJack is presently operational in Massachusetts, New Jersey, Florida, Michigan, and Los Angeles County, Calif.

In addition to announcing the start-up in Illinois, Daley also said, "We are pleased to report that LoJack has reached separate agreements with BayBank Credit Corp. in Massachusetts and Chrysler Credit Corp. which will qualify LoJack products for financing in connection with vehicles financed with BayBank or Chrysler Credit."

CONTACT: Joseph F. Abely, senior vice president of LoJack, 617-444-4900; or John Swanson of Swanson Communications, 212-683-4890, for LoJack

-30- 1613

#90324p8666 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Burnet Realty, Minnesota's largest independent homeseller, and TCF Mortgage Corporation (TCF), one of the state's largest mortgage lenders and a subsidiary of TCF Bank Savings fsb (TCF Bank), today announced the formation of Great Lakes Mortgage.

The joint venture received regulatory approval in October, and Housing and Urban Development (HUD) approval is expected this month.

Mary Baymler will be president of Great Lakes Mortgage. Baymler, formerly with Knutson Mortgage, said that Great Lakes Mortgage will offer complete

mortgage services to Burnet customers and others through a team of experienced loan originators and support staff. The first offices will open in late 1990.

"We've seen a growing trend toward relating home buying and financing services " said William A. Cooper, chairman and chief executive officer of TCF Bank. "Both Burnet and TCF are committed to excellence in their respective areas. A union of these philosophies for the advantage of home buyers is what attracted TCF to Burnet."

"This venture combines the two market leaders in residential real estate and lending, offering customers the best of two worlds," said Ralph Burnet, Burnet chairman and CEO.

"Adding Great Lakes Mortgage is a natural extension of our real estate business," said Darwin (Dar) Reedy, Burnet vice chairman and president. "We said we were going to expand customer services and this is the first of several announcements we plan to make."

"Through Great Lakes Mortgage, TCF has access to another source of mortgage originations, delivering mortgage services to more customers," said Cooper. "Although TCF Mortgage Corporation will be sharing the market with Great Lakes it will continue to have ample business opportunities to provide the best products and services to a broad array of customers."

Burnet Realty, with annual revenues in excess of $100 million, has more than 2,000 sales associates and employees and 37 offices in the Twin Cities and Rochester.

TCF Bank is the largest thrift and third largest banking institution headquartered in Minnesota. TCF Bank's affiliates also include TCF Insurance North Star Title, and REALTY-WORLD-TCF Realty.

TCF Mortgage originated $549 million in residential home loans during 1989. With headquarters in Minneapolis, TCF Mortgage has six Twin Cities locations; an office in Mankato, Rochester and St. Cloud; and two offices in northern Illinois.

CONTACT: Leonard MacKinnon of Burnet Realty, 612-884-1442; Cindy Wind of TCF Bank, 612-370-7390; or Cathryn I. Kennedy of Mona, Meyer & McGrath, 612-831-8515

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#90324p8668 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISON, NJ (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Lechters, Inc. (NASDAQ: LECH) announced today that net income for the 39-week period ended Oct. 27, 1990, was $2,323,000 as compared with net income of $1,882,000 for the prior year's

comparable period. Net income per share for this period was $0.32 as compared with $0.29 for such period during the prior year. Sales for said 39-week period were $113,327,000, as compared with sales of $93,694,000 for the prior year's comparable period, an increase of 21 percent.

For the 13-week period ended Oct. 27, 1990, the company's net income was $1,636,000, as compared with net income of $1,526,000 in the prior year's comparable period. Net income per share for this period was $0.23 as compared with $0.21 for such period during the prior year. Sales for said 13-week period were $43,544,000, as compared with sales of $35,887,000 for the prior year's comparable period, an increase of 21 percent.

On Oct. 27, 1990, the company operated 351 stores, 63 more than a year earlier.

LECHTERS, INC. REPORTS
(Unaudited)

39 weeks ended	10/27/90	10/28/89
Sales	$113,327,000	$93,694,000
Gross profit (net of occupancy & indirect costs)	35,606,000	29,645,000
Selling, general and administrative expenses	30,405,000	24,671,000
Interest expense	1,329,000	1,805,000
Income before income tax provision	3,872,000	3,169,000
Income tax provision	1,549,000	1,287,000
Net income	2,323,000	1,882,000
Per share earnings	$.32	$.29
Weighted average shares outstanding	7,224,477	6,517,990
13 weeks ended	10/27/90	10/28/89
Sales	$ 43,544,000	$35,887,000
Gross profit (net of occupancy & indirect costs)	13,972,000	11,699,000
Selling, general and administration expenses	10,668,000	8,781,000
Interest expense	576,000	348,000
Income before income tax provision	2,728,000	2,570,000
Income tax provision	1,092,000	1,044,000
Net income	1,636,000	1,526,000
Per share earnings	$.23	$.21
Weighted average shares outstanding	7,188,690	7,235,740

CONTACT: Leonard Pfeffer, executive vice president of Lechters, 201-481-1100.

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#90324p8670 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Endotronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: ENDO) and Cellco Advanced Bioreactors, Inc. (Cellco) today announced they have resolved

a patent dispute regarding distribution of cell culture instruments in Japan. The resolution of this issue provides a reopening of the Japanese market for Endotronics and allows the company to sell and distribute its equipment in the Japanese marketplace.

Effective Sept. 30, 1990, Endotronics signed a non-exclusive license agreement with Cellco, of Kensington, Md., for the use of certain basic patents owned by Cellco. The license also allows for the manufacturing, distribution and sale of hollow fiber cell culture devices in the Japanese, European and Canadian markets. "Cellco is pleased that this longstanding dispute is now resolved. Both companies can now devote their total efforts to promoting hollow fiber as a powerful cell culture technology worldwide unhindered by litigation and patent issues," said R. William Lynn, president and chief executive officer of Cellco.

Endotronics had previously reported that access to the Japanese market was blocked due to a patent infringement claim regarding cell culture instruments. Although Endotronics was not named as a specific party in this action, a provisional injunction was issued against Endotronics' current Japanese distributor, the Kyoto Daiichi Kagaku Company (KDK).

"Approximately 24 percent of the company's instrument and disposable revenues in fiscal 1989 were represented by sales to KDK. During fiscal 1990, revenues from instrument and disposable sales decreased due to the absence of sales to major customers, particularly in Japan. We believe our revenue base will be strengthened during fiscal 1991 through the renewed access to the Japanese market," said Richard E. Sakowicz, president and chief operating officer of Endotronics.

Endotronics, Inc. is a Minneapolis-based company which supplies products and services for the processing of mammalian cells to biotechnology, pharmaceutical, diagnostic companies and research centers worldwide.

CONTACT: Richard E. Sakowicz of Endotronics, Inc., 612-786-0302; or R. William Lynn of Cellco Advanced Bioreactors, Inc., 301-770-9370.

-30- 2429

#90324p8671 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Global Governments Income Trust (NYSE: TGG), today announced a monthly dividend from net investment income of $0.075 per share payable Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Mistele of Templeton Global Governments Income Trust, 800-237-0738, ext. 7660

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#90324p8672 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
PARIS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Andre Courreges S.A., the licensed women's ready-to-wear division of Courreges Design S.A., owned by the noted designer, has been purchased by Epargne Development, a French venture capital fund representing leading European institutions.

According to an announcement made today by Andre Courreges S.A., Epargne Development purchased controlling interest in the ladies apparel company from Fayel S.A. The purchase, which ends a five year legal battle between Andre Courreges and the Japanese company Itokin, was made with the full approval of Mr. and Mrs. Courreges, who own 25 percent of the shares in Andre Courreges S.A., and the French designers parent company Courreges Design.

As part of the purchase agreement, Itokin retains its major licensing contracts with the Courreges Group for the Japanese market. Itokin's licensing contracts cover boutiques, women's wear, women's ready-to-wear and costume jewelry.

Christian Delahaigue, managing director of Courreges Design, stated, "The new agreement ensures the continuity and growth of the Courreges brand name. In Japan, Courreges brands account for annual sales in the multi-billion-yen category. We are now in position to develop the American market."

CONTACT: Bob Perilla of Bob Perilla Associates, 212-581-5775, for Andre Courreges S.A.

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#90324p8673 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
KINGWOOD, TEXAS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Enex Resources Corporation (NASDAQ: ENEX), today announced that its board of directors has declared the first cash dividend since the company's inception in 1979. The dividend is payable on December 14, 1990 to shareholders of record on November 30, 1990 at the rate of $0.10 per share of common stock.

Gerald B. Eckley, president, said, "After our stock repurchase, we are once again an independent oil and gas company focusing our efforts on increasing the value of the company and expanding the public marketplace's awareness of Enex. The declaration and payment of our first cash dividend to our common shareholders is one step toward the accomplishment of these goals."

Enex is a company which acquires and manages producing oil and gas properties and markets oil and gas income programs.

CONTACT: Robert E. Densford, vice president, secretary and treasurer of Enex, 713-358-8401

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#90324p8674 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of CoreStates Financial Corp (NASDAQ: CSFN) today declared a quarterly dividend of 48 cents per common share, payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 3, 1990.

The dividend maintains the level paid each quarter during 1990. Terrence A. Larsen, chairman, said the board decided not to increase the dividend because of current uncertainties in the economy and widespread concerns about capital levels in the banking industry.

"Historically, CoreStates has emphasized prudence and financial strength in its approach," he said. "We are clearly facing difficult times in the economy and the industry, and decided it would be most appropriate not to increase the dividend at this time.

"In particular, the banking industry has had extraordinary scrutiny from the public arena as well as from customers.

"We recognize that it is often difficult for observers to differentiate between stronger and weaker banks. Strong capital is one ratio that can be easily measured," Larsen said.

"The decision not to increase our dividend at this time reflects CoreStates' commitment to maintaining its historic position among the nation's strongest banking companies," Larsen said. "We believe this decision is in shareholders' long term interest.

"Our capital will not only cushion us against economic uncertainties, but will help to insure that we will have resources available to pursue opportunities," he said.

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#90324p8676 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Rockefeller Center Properties, Inc. (NYSE: RCP) (RCPI) declared today a regular dividend of 48 cents per share of common stock for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1990, payable on Dec. 28, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 10, 1990. This is an increase of 1 cent per share over the dividend of the previous quarter.

The company has said that it intends to make distributions to its stockholders on the last Monday of April, July, October and December of each year.

RCPI, which commenced operations on Sept. 19, 1985, was formed to permit public investment in Rockefeller Center. RCPI's principal asset is a $1.3 billion participating mortgage loan to the owners of Rockefeller Center with an option, exercisable on Dec. 31, 2000, to convert the loan into a 71.5 percent ownership interest in Rockefeller Center.

The company's common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol RCP. As of Nov. 19, there were 37,510,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - E. Thomas Arington, president and chairman of Duramed Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (NASDAQ: DRMD) announced today Duramed's operating results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Net sales for the quarter were $7.2 million compared to $6.6 million for the third quarter of 1989. The loss for the third quarter of 1990 was $2.9 million compared to a third quarter 1989 loss of $866,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, net sales were $20.8 million compared with net sales of $22.5 million for the first nine months of 1989. The cumulative loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $4.5 million compared to a profit of $41,976 for the first nine months of 1989.

Arington explained the results for the quarter were adversely affected by the company's decision to recall 30 batches of its Conjugated Estrogens product manufactured during 1990 which failed to meet new USP dissolution requirements which became effective in 1990. This recent development is a new Conjugated Estrogens issue, which when considered along with other issues including the FDA's continuing goal of removing all current generic Conjugated Estrogens products from the market, has caused the company to decide to stop marketing its current product. Operating results for the quarter include a charge of $2,150,000 shown as a reduction in net sales for credits expected to be issued to customers for returns of Conjugated Estrogens. Additionally, a charge of $500,000 was recorded to write off existing inventories of the product. The 30 failed batches are from a total of 135 manufactured during 1990. At this time the remaining lots are passing all required tests. However, these lots could be subject to recall if future test results indicate failure.

Arington further explained that Duramed and the FDA are presently addressing other regulatory and compliance issues that need to be resolved. Many of these issues center on changes in manufacturing which, at the time they were made, were deemed not to require FDA approval prior to implementation.

Accordingly, Duramed has initiated an internal audit of all of its ANDA's and subsequent modifications to them. In keeping with management's commitment to product quality and regulatory compliance, Duramed has suspended shipment of all ANDA products. Shipment of individual products will resume as soon as the company is satisfied that the product and manufacturing process meet regulatory requirements. At this time it is not possible to reasonably estimate the outcome of product examinations being conducted by the company and the FDA. Due to the company's limited resources, an extended interruption of product shipments, or findings that result in permanent discontinuance of certain products, and/or extensive product recalls would have a material adverse effect on the company and would threaten the company's ability to survive.

In view of the decision to suspend product shipments, the company will be initiating the temporary elimination of all non-essential activities in order to conserve resources. Despite these cutbacks, a substantial loss is expected for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990, as a result of what is expected to be substantially reduced revenues.

Considering these recent developments and their adverse effect on the company's financial position additional capital is likely to be required. Although capital raising activities are being pursued, it is not known at this time what sources of financing may be available.

The following table sets forth Duramed's comparative operating results for the three month and nine month periods ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989:

	Three Months Ended September 30,	
(In thousands except per share amounts and shares outstanding)	1990	1989
Net sales	$ 7,182	$ 6,554
Income (loss) before income taxes and extraordinary items	$(2,923)	$ (883)
Income taxes (credit)	---	(353)
Income (loss) before extraordinary items	(2,923)	(530)
Extraordinary item - Utilization (reversal) of tax loss carryforward	---	(336)
Net income (loss)	$ (2,923)	$ (866)
Net income (loss) per share of common stock and common share equivalents:		
Income (loss) before extraordinary items	$ (.47)	$ (.10)
Extraordinary item -		

Utilization (reversal) of tax loss carryforward	---	(.07)
Net income (loss)	$ (.47)	$ (.17)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	6,280,064	5,149,407

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
(In thousands except per share amounts and shares outstanding)	1990	1989
Net sales	$20,823	$22,549
Income (loss) before income taxes and extraordinary items	$(4,534)	$ 43
Income taxes (credit)	---	17
Income (loss) before extraordinary items	(4,534)	26
Extraordinary item - Utilization (reversal) of tax loss carryforward	---	16
Net income (loss)	$ (4,534)	$ 42
Net income (loss) per share of common stock and common share equivalents:		
Income (loss) before extraordinary items	$ (.73)	$ .01
Extraordinary item - Utilization (reversal) of tax loss carryforward	---	---
Net income (loss)	$ (.73)	$ .01
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	6,246,029	4,206,333

Duramed Pharmaceuticals, Inc. manufactures and sells generic drug products comprised of various dosages of prescription and over-the- counter drugs. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol DRMD.

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ORLANDO, FLA. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Anthony Lucki has been named vice president and editor in chief of Reading and Language Arts in the School department of Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc. (NYSE: HBJ).

The appointment was announced today by Peter Jovanovich, president and chief executive officer of HBJ.

HBJ's School department publishes textbooks for kindergarten through eighth grade. Lucki will oversee development of some of HBJ School's principal products, including a new reading program scheduled for introduction in the 1992-93 school year.

"Tony's talent and experience in educational publishing are great assets to HBJ," Jovanovich said. "His fresh approach, combined with HBJ's natural depth in school publishing, will help the company publish the finest new reading series available."

Lucki brings 15 years of school publishing experience to HBJ. During a 10-year career at Houghton Mifflin, he started as an associate editor and rose to become an executive editor with responsibility for development of K-8 reading programs.

Lucki also worked as vice president and publisher at divisions of the Macmillan Publishing Company and its school successor, the Macmillan/McGraw-Hill School Publishing Company.

Before entering the publishing profession, Lucki taught elementary school in Kentucky and New England for five years. He is a graduate of Western New England College (B.S., 1970) and University of Louisville (M.A.T., 1972). He was born in a refugee camp in Germany in 1948 and emigrated with his parents to the United States when he was 3 years old.

Harcourt Brace Jovanovich publishes general books, school and college textbooks and psychological tests, as well as medical and scientific books and journals. It is a major underwriter in life, health and accident insurance through its subsidiaries, Federal Home Life Insurance Company, PHF Life Insurance Company and The Harvest Life Insurance Company.

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SAN RAMON, CA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron Chemical Co. announced today that it is actively soliciting offers for its fertilizer business. "We have worked to make our division a more efficient, reliable fertilizer supplier," said Cal Allen, Fertilizer Division manager.

"Management layers have been removed in plants, field sales and headquarters. Employees have been given increased responsibility and have made numerous

innovative improvements, and our phosphate fertilizer operations are well on the way to becoming the lowest-cost producer in the western United States.

"However, the long-term outlook has not improved enough," Allen continued. "We decided to open up the bidding process and determine if the business is worth more to someone else than it is to us."

Chevron Chemical's Fertilizer Division, with about 600 employees, has annual sales of 450,000 tons of phosphate fertilizer and one million tons of nitrogen fertilizer.

The largest and newest of its facilities is a world-class phosphate plant opened in 1986 in Rock Springs, Wyo. Phosphate rock is supplied by slurry pipeline from a mine near Vernal, Utah. Nitrogen fertilizer facilities are in St. Helens, Ore., Kennewick/Finley, Wash., and Richmond, Calif.

Chevron Chemical, a unit of San Francisco-based Chevron Corp., has about 6,000 employees. It has five other divisions and produces a wide range of agricultural, consumer and industrial products.

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#90324p8690 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARIS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statement was issued by the Pechiney Group in Paris today:

Pechiney Group Consolidated net sales for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to FF 58,884 million, compared with FF 66,565 million for the same period in 1989. The average exchange rate for the U.S. dollar was FF 5.575 for the first nine months of 1990, vs. FF 6.45 for the year earlier period. If the exchange rate had remained unchanged, the Group's manufacturing sales would have declined by 0.7 percent.

The company pointed out that period-to-period variations in sales caused by exchange rate differences do not result in corresponding variations in earnings; a lower U.S. dollar reduces sales as well as costs denominated in that currency.

Contributions to consolidated sales by sector of activity were as follows:

(In millions of French francs)

First nine months:	1990	1989
Packaging	23,532	24,986
Aluminum	15,022	17,580
Engineered products	7,275	7,343
Other industrial activities	5,248	5,891

International trade	7,807	10,765
Total	58,884	66,565

If the 1989 exchange rate had remained in effect, a period-to-period comparison would show that packaging sales rose 7 percent and engineered products sales increased 8.6 percent, while aluminum sales declined by 12 percent due to the drop in metal prices.

Pechiney International Pechiney International's consolidated net sales for the period ending Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to FF 33,845 million, compared with FF 37,211 million for the first nine months of 1989. The average exchange rate for the U.S. dollar was FF 5.575 for the first nine months of 1990, vs. FF 6.45 for the year-earlier period, declining by 13.6 percent. Expressed in U.S. dollars, consolidated sales rose 5.6 percent from one period to the other and reached US$6,083 million.

Contributions to consolidated sales by sector of activity were as follows:

	In millions of French francs		In millions of U.S. $	
	First Nine Months '90	First Nine Months '89	First Nine Months '90	First Nine Months '89
Packaging	23,544	24,988	4,235	3,865
Aerospace components	4,453	4,652	799	721
Aluminum and int'l trade	5,848	7,571	1,049	1,174
Total	33,845	37,211	6,083	5,760

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Pfizer Inc. (NYSE: PFE) said today that the board of directors has elected William C. Steere president of the company and Edward C. Bessey and Jean-Paul Valles, Ph.D., executive vice presidents, effective Feb. 1, 1991. All three are now senior vice presidents. Gerald D. Laubach, company president, announced his plans to retire on Feb. 1.

Steere, 54, who holds a biology degree from Stanford University, joined Pfizer in pharmaceuticals field sales in 1959. He progressed through a number of sales and marketing assignments in the Pfizer Labs Division before becoming Pfizer International's marketing manager for Latin America in 1969. A year later, he was appointed vice president of marketing for Roerig, and two years later became head of the Roerig Division. In 1980, Steere moved to Pfizer Labs as the division head. Since then he has served as senior vice president (1982) and executive vice president (1984) of Pfizer Pharmaceuticals. Steere was elected a corporate officer of Pfizer Inc. in 1982 and appointed president

of Pfizer Pharmaceuticals in 1986. In 1987, he was elected to the board of directors, and in 1989, he was elected a senior vice president of the company.

Bessey, 56, holds an M.B.A. from the Amos Tuck School at Dartmouth University. He joined the marketing function of Pfizer Pharmaceuticals in 1964 and received a series of promotions before becoming head of the Pfizer Labs Division in 1972. In 1977, he moved to Brussels, Belgium, as executive vice president of Pfizer Europe and returned to New York in 1980 as executive vice president of Pfizer Pharmaceuticals. In 1982, he was elected a corporate officer of Pfizer Inc. and was appointed president of what is now the Pfizer Hospital Products Group. Bessey was elected to the board of directors in 1987 and was elected a senior vice president of the company in 1989,

Valles, 54, who holds a doctorate in economics from New York University, joined Pfizer in 1968 as economist and assistant to John J. Powers Jr., Pfizer's chairman and CEO at the time. In 1970, Valles was appointed director of corporate planning and information services. Two years later, he was elected company controller. In 1980, he was elected to the board of directors and named vice president-finance. Last year, he was elected a senior vice president, and the Specialty Minerals Group was added to his responsibilities. Earlier this year, Valles was given the added responsibility for the Animal Health Group.

Laubach, 64, joined Pfizer in June 1950 as a lab scientist after completing his Ph.D. in organic chemistry at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. In the succeeding years, he moved through a number of leadership positions with Pfizer's research group before heading up the function in 1964. That same year he was elected a corporate officer, and in 1968 he was elected to the board of directors. Laubach became president of Pfizer Pharmaceuticals in 1969 and executive vice president of the company in 1971; one year later, he became president of Pfizer Inc. He has served on the boards of many business and community organizations and has received numerous honors for his contributions to the scientific field.

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#90324p8696 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Honeywell (NYSE: HON) today announced the reorganization of its senior management, effective Dec. 1, to better focus the company on its core controls businesses while streamlining management. In addition, the Honeywell board of directors today elected three corporate officers as inside directors.

Elected to the Honeywell board of directors in their new management positions are: Michael R. Bonsignore, now Honeywell executive vice president and chief

operating officer responsible for International, and Homes and Buildings; D. Larry Moore, now Honeywell executive vice president and chief operating officer responsible for Space and Aviation, and Industrial; and Christopher J. Steffen, now Honeywell executive vice president and chief financial and administrative officer.

All three executives will report to James J. Renier, Honeywell chairman and chief executive officer.

"This new organization positions the company well for the future, provides excellent operational and administrative management and will help the company capitalize on growth opportunities," said Renier.

Bonsignore, formerly president of Honeywell's International business, will retain that function and also assume responsibility for the company's Homes and Buildings Business.

Reporting to Bonsignore will be Joe E. Chenoweth, formerly president of Homes and Buildings, in the new position of senior corporate vice president, International. "Joe will play a vital role in managing international growth opportunities for Honeywell. He has the operations and international experience necessary to strategically guide and leverage the company's businesses outside the United States," said Renier.

Moore, formerly president of Honeywell's Space and Aviation business, will retain that function and also assume responsibility for the company's Industrial business.

Steffen, formerly vice president and chief financial officer, will retain that function and also assume responsibility for the company's office of general counsel, corporate services, and mergers and acquisitions functions. Administrative functions that continue to report to Steffen include information systems and communications.

In a separate announcement today, the Honeywell board of directors also elected A. Barry Rand a director. Rand is a Xerox corporate vice president and president of its United States Marketing Group.

Honeywell is a global controls company that provides products, systems and services for homes and buildings, industry, and aviation and space. The company had 1989 sales of $6.1 billion.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Honeywell Inc.

(NYSE: HON) today elected A. Barry Rand as a member of the board. Rand is a Xerox corporate vice president and president of its United States Marketing Group.

Rand joined Xerox in 1968. He was elected a corporate officer of Xerox in 1986. In his current position as president of the U.S. Marketing Group, Rand is responsible for $6 billion in revenue and 35,000 employees covering the sales, service, administration and distribution of products and supplies.

Rand, 46, has a master's in business administration and a master's of management science, both from Stanford University. He holds an honorary doctor of law degree from St. John Fisher College in Rochester, N.Y., and an honorary doctor of public service degree from South Carolina State College.

Rand is a member of the board of trustees of the College Retirement Equity Fund (CREF), a director of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and sits on the advisory council of the Stanford University School of Business. He is also a corporate recipient of the 21st annual NAACP image award.

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#90324p8701 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDLAND, Va. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Ross Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROSX) a manufacturer of food processing and packaging machinery, reported a net loss for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, of $575,063, or $.47 a share, as compared to a net income of $88,612, or $.07 a share, for the comparable prior year period. The loss was attributable to high startup manufacturing costs associated with the new product lines, product development expenses for those lines and the lower sales volume vs. the prior year period.

The company reported net sales for the quarter of $1,509,843, as compared with the record first quarter sales of $1,825,862 for the previous year. The company currently has approximately a $5,000,000 order backlog, which is its highest ever, as compared to a $1,000,000 backlog last year. The backlog which is scheduled for shipment during the current fiscal year ending June 30, 1991, is comprised primarily of orders for new Horizontal Packaging machines and Boundary Layer Control (BLC) Freezing Tunnels.

ROSS INDUSTRIES, INC.

First Quarter ended September 30:	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,509,843	$1,825,862
Net income (loss)	(575,063)	88,612
Earnings (loss) per share	(.47)	.07
Average weighted shares outstanding	1,217,480	1,217,480

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#90324p8703 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FRESNO, CA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - ValliCorp Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ: VALY) today announced the promotion and election of two senior officers. J. Mike McGowan, currently executive vice president and chief financial officer, was promoted and will assume the newly created position of executive vice president and chief operating officer for the Bank of Fresno, effective Dec. 1 1990. Also on that date, Wolfgang T.N. Muelleck will join the company as executive vice president and chief financial officer for ValliCorp and Bank of Fresno, filling the position previously held by McGowan.

''The expansion in key management will allow us to more quickly achieve our strategic objective of being the dominant independent financial institution in the Central San Joaquin Valley,'' commented John W. Brocks, president and chief executive officer.

With McGowan designated to assume increased operating responsibility, Brocks will have more time to focus on enhancing the company's successful market position and financial strengths throughout the Central San Joaquin Valley. Management's objective is to build ValliCorp into a dynamic confederation of community banks -- through internal growth, merger and acquisition -- and expand its current asset base form $371 million to $500 million in 1991.

Commenting on Muelleck's addition to senior management, Brocks stated, ''The strong accounting and auditing background Wolf brings with him will make a substantial contribution to the company and will build on the foundation we have established for exemplary credit analysis and asset management.''

McGowan joined ValliCorp in June 1990 as executive vice president and chief financial officer after more than 20 years with Ernst & Young (formerly Arthur Young), the last 10 years as a partner in Little Rock, Ark., and Houston. He served as a director of the Financial Services Industries Group for Arthur Young and was a member of the accounting firm's National Banking Committee.

Following the announcement of his promotion, McGowan made a number of observations. ''Ten years ago, Bank of Fresno had assets of approximately $30 million and was considered a limited financial force in Fresno had assets of approximately $30 million and was considered a limited financial force in Fresno and the surrounding area. Today, the bank is the largest financial

institution headquartered in the Central San Joaquin Valley. Our twelve-fold growth in the past decade -- to an asset size of more than $330 million, soon to be $370 million with the acquisition of Madera Valley Bank -- has brought many benefits to the region and to our customers.

''The most significant benefit is our ability to contribute to business and consumer growth in the area. We currently have the capability to lend $5 million on an unsecured basis to any single borrower. This lending capacity, along with our nine branch retail network, are significant factors in enabling Bank of Fresno to serve the banking needs of its customers in Fresno and surrounding communities. All the members of the Bank of Fresno team have dedicated themselves to the theme, ''We are the bank that cares.' ''

Muelleck comes to ValliCorp from Ernst & Young (formerly Ernst & Whinney) after a 15-year career with the public accounting firm where most recently he was the partner in charge of the Audit Department at the company's Fresno location. Muelleck is a 1975 MBA graduate of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City.

ValliCorp Holdings Inc. is a $371 million multi-bank holding company and, in terms of assets, is the 25th largest independent bank holding company in California. ValliCorp's primary subsidiaries are Bank of Fresno and Merced Bank of Commerce. The company's primary subsidiaries are Bank of Fresno and Merced Bank of Commerce.

The company's common stock is publicly traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the ticker symbol VALY.

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WILMINGTON, DEL. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Hercules Inc. (NYSE: HPC) today announced that Thomas L. Gossage, corporate senior vice president and president, Aqualon Co., has been elected by the company's board of directors as chairman and chief executive officer, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

He succeeds David S. Hollingsworth, who had previously announced his plans to retire in early 1991.

In commenting on the election, Hollingsworth said, "Today's board action completes the succession process begun in July of this year. Mr. Gossage has broad knowledge and experience in the chemical industry, both internationally

and in the U.S. In selecting him, the board recognizes that during his career, Tom Gossage has demonstrated the management and leadership skills needed to lead a diverse, worldwide company like Hercules through the 1990s."

Gossage joined Hercules in 1988 as president, Hercules Specialty Chemicals Co. after serving 26 years with Monsanto Co. Hercules Specialty Chemicals Co. at that time included Resins, Coatings, Fragrance & Food Ingredients, Electronic & Printing Products, and Paper Technology. In 1989, he was named president and chief executive officer of Aqualon Co., a Hercules wholly owned subsidiary which manufactures water-soluble polymers worldwide, and was made a Hercules senior vice president and elected to the board of directors of the company later that year.

While at Monsanto, he held a number of positions, including senior vice president, Monsanto Chemical Co.; group vice president and managing director, Monsanto International; and group vice president and managing director, Monsanto Industrial Chemicals Co.

Gossage is a member of the Advisory Council, Law Companies Group Inc., of Atlanta, and a member of the board of directors of the U.S.- China Business Council and the U.S. Council for International Business. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Wilmington Grand Opera House Inc., and a member of the board of directors of the Delaware Art Museum. He is also a member of the Wilmington Country Club.

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#90324p8706 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, AZ (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - StatesWest Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ: SWAL, PHLX: SWAX), operating as a USAir Express for the Western United States, today reported October 1990 passenger enplanements were up 72.7 percent to 17,594 compared to 10,189 for October 1989. The carrier's October 1990 traffic capacity was 6,079,069 available seat miles (ASM) producing a load factor of 39.4 percent. ASM's for October 1989 totaled 4,616,050 producing a load factor for that period of 45.4 percent. Traffic increased 14.4 percent to 2,396,577 revenue passenger miles compared to the October 1989 figure of 2,095,746.

Rudy R. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "StatesWest's passenger enplanements continue to grow with a new company record of 17,594 passengers enplaned in October. The growth, in part, is due to the airline's partnership with USAir as a USAir Express operator in the Western United States."

Miller stated, "The airline will begin its replacement of USAir jet service from Stockton and Monterey to Los Angeles on December 1 and will increase the

number of flights per day providing USAir passengers with additional travel options." He concluded, "The airline is also introducing four new daily flights between Fresno and san Francisco. At San Francisco, connections will be available to USAir's 77 daily jet flights to other major cities throughout the nation."

The company operates one of the newest and most fuel efficient fleets of regional prop-jet aircraft in the United States. The airline presently operates 107 daily departures serving passengers in California, Arizona and Nevada in 15 cities and effective Dec. 1, with additional service will offer approximately 133 daily departures serving 16 cities.

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#90324p8707 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Crane Co. (NYSE: CR) announced today that it has decided not to distribute its defense businesses to its shareholders. After evaluating current market conditions, recent developments and the costs associated with independent public companies, Crane has decided that retaining these businesses is in the best interest of the shareholders.

Crane Co. is a diversified manufacturer of engineered industrial products, serving niche markets in aerospace, fluid handling, automatic merchandising and the construction industry. Crane's wholesale distribution business serves the building products markets and industrial customers.

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#90324p8712 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
STOUGHTON, MASS. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - John H. Duerden, president of the Reebok Division of Reebok International Ltd., announced today the realignment of the Reebok Brands organization into two major operating units, United States and International.

"By establishing separate profit centers for U.S. and international operations the Reebok Division will be able to focus resources more effectively and better develop the Brands' business throughout the world," said Duerden.

Bob Meers, formerly senior vice president of corporate sales and marketing, has been appointed executive vice president, United States operations. Meers will be responsible for all Reebok sales and distribution operations in the United States. Dave House, vice president, sales, reports to Meers, as does Don Petersen, who has been promoted to vice president, United States

distribution.

Peter McGuigan, formerly managing director of Reebok Europe, has been appointed managing director of international operations, based in Bolton, England. McGuigan will be responsible for marketing, sales and distribution of Reebok products everywhere outside the United States.

Reebok International Ltd., headquartered in Stoughton, is one of the leading designers and marketers of active lifestyle and performance products, including footwear and apparel. The company's operating units include the AVIA, Boston Whaler, Reebok, Rockport and Apparel Products (including the Ellesse footwear and sportswear brand) divisions. Sales for 1989 totaled $1.822 billion.

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#90324p8713 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILAN, ITALY (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Montedison S.p.A. (NYSE: MNT) and the French company ACX S.A. (Atelier Composite Xavier Joubert) of Brest (in Brittany) today announced that they have signed a collaboration agreement which includes the purchase by Montedison of a significant stake in the French firm. Under this agreement the two companies plan to jointly expand in the area of materials with high technological content.

Based on its technological experience in the aeronautics field, ACX has developed advanced know-how in the field of large structures made of high-performance composite materials. The company is also a center for research and innovation in industrial applications for composite materials and new products. ACX supplies components and finished products to the energy, transportation and defense industries and has also made important components from composites for marine applications.

For Montedison, this investment represents a step forward in the strategy to develop materials with high innovative content and gives Montedison access to further know-how in the technology of structural components.

The city of Brest, representatives from local public entities and Geris (a Thomson Group company) have all contributed to the development of ACX thus far. Through the agreement concluded today, ACX now has the opportunity to expand in key sectors such as energy, transportation and defense.

The Ferruzzi Group is a leading international industrial system which operates through Montedison in the chemical, pharmaceutical and energy sectors, as well as in the agro-industrial sector, with an aggregate turnover of approximately $40 billion.

CONTACTS: Guido Negro of Ferruzzi Group, 011-392-6270-5627, or David Kronfeld of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Montedison

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FT. BRANCH, IND. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Excel Corporation today announced that it had completed the purchase of assets of Emge Packing Co., Inc., and had begun operating the Ft. Branch and Anderson, Ind., processed meats, sales and distribution facilities.

The company has begun delivering Emge brand products to customers and will start buying hogs Nov. 26, said Warren Mirtsching, president of Emge Packing Company, a division of Excel.

"Excel has hired approximately 425 people to manage and staff both facilities. Most management, clerical and production employees were hired from within the former Emge organization," Mirtsching said. He said Excel initially is employing about 350 plant personnel -- nearly 200 people in Ft. Branch and 150 at Anderson. The balance of employees are management, clerical and sales personnel.

Excel announced the following management appointments: Mirtsching, formerly corporate manager of processed pork for Excel, has been named president of Emge Packing Company.

Jim Gilde, formerly a superintendent at Excel's Beardstown, Ill., facility, has been named operations manager for Ft. Branch.

Brian Elper, formerly part of the Emge organization, has been named operations manager in Anderson.

Diane McGuirre, controller at Excel's Philadelphia, Pa., operations, has been named processed pork controller.

Mirtsching said that he and his staff will begin an analysis of the expansion and remodeling needs of the Ft. Branch facility's slaughter and boxed-pork operations on Nov. 26. Recommendations will be formulated once that study, which is expected to take at least 30 days, is completed. He said a timetable has not been established for a similar study of the Anderson kill-cut floor.

Excel will start buying hogs Nov. 26 at buying stations that are part of the asset purchase, Mirtsching said. Those hogs will be processed at Excel's plant in Beardstown, Ill. Pork from the Illinois plant will be used at Anderson and Ft. Branch to produce Emge branded processed meat products, he said.

CONTACT: Bruce Pankonin of Cargill, 612-475-6000

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#90324p8722 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
TROY, MI (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Kelly Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: KELYA, KELYB), the nation's largest temporary help company, today announced a regular quarterly cash dividend of 16.5 cents per share on Kelly Services Class A common stock and Class B common stock, payable Dec. 14, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Barbara I. Pardue of Kelly Services, Inc., 313-244-4800.

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#90324p8723 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
TORONTO (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Dickenson Mines Limited (AMEX: DML) and Wharf Resources Ltd. jointly announced today that Robert R. McEwen, chairman and chief executive officer of both companies, will assume the position of president of these companies following the resignation of David J. Libby as president and chief operating officer, effective Nov. 30, 1990. Libby has also resigned from the boards of directors of both companies effective immediately.

John F. Cook has been appointed vice-president, operations of both Dickenson Mines and Wharf Resources. Cook has extensive international operating experience in hardrock mining and, most recently was vice-president, engineering of a major north American gold producer.

CONTACT: Rolando C. Francisco, senior vice-president and chief financial officer of Dickenson Mines and Wharf Resources, 416-361-0402

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#90324p8724 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - United Press International editors are directing UPI newsgathering from emergency newsrooms, in the wake of a construction site cave-in that temporarily cut UPI headquarters communications with the news agency's clients and bureaus.

"The crisis has not ended, though we are coping with it," said UPI Executive Vice President Pieter VanBennekom. "We urgently need telephone services restored at headquarters in order to return operations to acceptable levels," he added.

VanBennekom said UPI editorial and technical staff worked through the night to restore news services abruptly cut at 8:30 p.m. Monday when the walls of an excavation pit apparently collapsed at 14th and H streets N.W., destroying UPI

communications links.

Within an hour after the accident, VanBennekom temporarily shifted control of UPI's national news to UPI's Los Angeles bureau.

Soon afterward, National Public Radio (NPR) and Reuters news agency respectively arranged to transmit UPI Radio Network and news photo services to UPI clients nationwide.

By dawn today UPI editors were operating from facilities in the U.S. Senate press gallery; a UPI Radio Network bureau in New York City; and, from a newsroom created by UPI and IDR staff members overnight near Tyson's Corner, Va., in the computer operations center of IDR, and Infotechnology, Inc. sister company.

Some UPI staff members traveled by auto from Washington to New York City in the early morning hours today, in order to transfer UPI Radio Network operations from NPR to UPI audio services bureau in Manhattan.

Reuters this morning continued to transmit UPI photos to UPI clients, VanBennekom said.

"We are immensely indebted to UPI staffers and to Reuters and NPR for their Herculean efforts, which narrowly averted a disastrous interruption in UPI services," VanBennekom said.

UPI telecommunications were knocked out for six hours Nov. 16 when links between UPI's central computer and UPI clients were accidentally severed by a construction crew operating in northern Virginia.

UPI is owned by Infotechnology, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: ITCHE), the New York City-based information and communications company that also owns 47 percent of Financial News Network Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: FNNIE). Infotechnology management recently announced plans to sell both UPI and FNN.

CONTACT: Milt Capps of United Press International, 703-790-0410, ext. 602 or, after hours, 301-772-4086.

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#90324p8725 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, OH (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Park National Corporation (NASDAQ: PARK) announced a $1 per share dividend to stockholders of record as of Dec. 10, 1990, payable Jan. 2, 1991, at its meeting Nov. 19, 1990. This represents a regular dividend of $0.60 plus an extra dividend of $0.40 per share according to William T. McConnell, president and C.E.O. of PNC.

CONTACT: Jerry S. Nethers of Park National Corporation, 614-349-3710.

-30- 595

#90324p8728 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Bahrain-based carrier Gulf Air has ordered 12 Boeing 767-300 extended range jetliners, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group confirmed today. Value of the order is approximately $1.15 billion in delivery year dollars.

Gulf Air, owned by the Gulf states of Bahrain, Qatar, Abu Dhabi and Oman, already operates six Boeing 767-300ERs, the largest 767 fleet in the Middle East. The airline is acquiring the new aircraft to meet projected traffic growth. Gulf Air has said it will use some of its new 767-300ERs to inaugurate service to Singapore and Sydney.

As configured for Gulf Air, the twin-aisle 767-300ERs will seat 212 passengers in a three-class configuration of 15 in first class, 18 in business class and 179 in tourist class. The new twinjets will be powered by General Electric CF6-80C2 engines and are certified for a maximum takeoff weight of 387,000 lbs (175,540 kgs). With a full passenger payload, Gulf Air's 767-300ERs have a range of 6,210 statute miles.

"Gulf Air's decision to add another 12 Boeing 767-300ERs to its fleet is a tremendous vote of confidence in this aircraft," said Seddik Belyamani, Vice President, International Sales at Boeing Commercial Airplane Group. "It is also an expression of confidence in the region's long-term future, a view which we share."

The Boeing 767 makes use of the latest technology to provide maximum efficiency in the face of rising operational costs, while extending twin-aisle comfort to routes never before served by wide-body airliners. Extended-range versions of the 767 are the longest range twin-engined jetliners available.

The Boeing 767's two-aisle passenger cabin follows the tradition of spaciousness established by the Boeing 747, first of the wide-body airliners. Extensive passenger research has shown the seven-abreast seating concept is preferred by the great majority of those surveyed, because 87 percent of the seats are by the window or on the aisles. Center seats are only one seat from an aisle.

The 767's design provides excellent fuel efficiency, operational flexibility, low noise levels and advanced airplane systems, including an all-digital flight deck. New structural materials are employed such as improved aluminum alloys, graphite composites and hybrid Kevlar/graphite composites.

To date, 44 customers worldwide have ordered 516 Boeing 767s. Nine airlines in the Middle East and Africa have ordered or are operating the 767.

CONTACT: Steve Smith of Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, 206-965-1046.

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#90324p8731 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Henry S. Savedge, Jr., has been named vice president, finance, Reynolds Metals Company (NYSE: RLM), it was announced by R. Bern Crowl, executive vice president and chief financial officer. The appointment is effective December 1.

Mr. Savedge, 57, formerly served as vice president, planning and analysis. He has served in various financial positions including controller since joining Reynolds in 1960.

In his new assignment, Mr. Savedge will be responsible for company treasury, accounting, tax, and risk management functions.

CONTACT: R. Terry Olbrysh of Reynolds Metals Company, (804) 281-2965, or (804) 282-8764, home.

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#90324p8739 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Medtronic, Inc. (NYSE: MDT), today declared a quarterly dividend of 20.5 cents per common share of the company's stock.

The dividend is payable on Jan. 31, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 10, 1991.

Medtronic, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, is a leading developer and manufacturer of biomedical devices for improving cardiovascular and neurological health.

CONTACT: Elizabeth Combs (investor relations), 612-574-3038; or Dick Reid (public relations), 612-574-3052, both of Medtronic

-30- 757

#90324p8741 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of an experiment to boost transit ridership, MARTA General Manager Kenneth M. Gregor announced today that free parking will be offered at selected MARTA stations during the holiday season.

At a meeting of the Operations Committee of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA), Gregor announced plans to provide:

-- free parking at all MARTA stations on the day after Thanksgiving, Friday,

Nov. 23,

-- free parking after 10:30 a.m. daily at all MARTA stations the entire month of December 1990, and

-- free parking all day, every day during December 1990, at four MARTA stations: Brookhaven on the North Line, Hightower on the West Line, Edgewood/Candler Park on the East Line, and Lakewood/Fort McPherson on the South Line.

At present, MARTA has 16,794 parking spaces at 20 of its 29 rail stations. About half of those spaces are occupied on an average weekday.

Some MARTA parking lots are more underutilized than others, and that is what led MARTA to the decision to make parking free all day at four of them in December.

Making parking free on the day after Thanksgiving and after 10:30 a.m. every day during December will make MARTA especially attractive to holiday shoppers. Traditionally, the day after Thanksgiving is the busiest day of the year for retail sales. And, for those air travelers planning to go out of town for Thanksgiving, it will mean four consecutive days (Thanksgiving day through Sunday) of free parking at all rail station parking facilities. (Customers parking at the long-term parking section of the Brookhaven Station will continue to pay the $2 fee per day.)

MARTA officials hope that their free parking idea will be both beneficial to ridership and -- because of increased shopping trips -- stimulate the local economy as well. "With ridership flat, we feel that there is no better time than now to conduct such an experiment," concluded Gregor.

As always, parking is free at all rail station lots on weekends and after 6 p.m. on weekdays. Parking at area park and ride lots also continues to be free at all times.

CONTACT: Mak Gebre-Hiwet of MARTA, 404-848-5000.

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#90324p8742 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) announced today that its board of directors has elected two senior vice presidents and eight vice presidents.

Martin D. Levine was elected senior vice president - low- and moderate-income housing. He is responsible for managing and creating programs to expand housing opportunities for lower income households.

Thomas W. White was elected senior vice president - multifamily activities. White is responsible for the development and implementation of policies and procedures for all Fannie Mae multifamily programs.

Violetta Kapsalis Buhler was elected vice president and counsel - Midwestern Regional Office. Buhler is responsible for all legal activities in the 10-state region.

Donna M. Callejon was elected vice president for MBS and cash transactions. Callejon's responsibilities include the development of policies for and management of negotiated transactions for Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS) and portfolio purchases.

Deborah L. Cohen was elected vice president for MBS capital markets. She is responsible for the direct execution of all Real Estate Mortgage Investment Conduit (REMIC) and stripped MBS transactions, MBS purchases and sales for portfolio, and for the management of Fannie Mae's trading desk and MBS financial analysis.

Bess Donaldson was elected vice president for multifamily low- and moderate-income housing - Midwestern Regional Office. Donaldson is responsible for Fannie Mae's multifamily lending activities and low- and moderate-income housing initiatives in the 10-state region.

Jane Orahood was elected vice president and counsel - Southeastern Regional Office. She is responsible for all legal activities in the 12-state region.

Julie St. John was elected vice president for systems development. St. John was previously vice president for information systems with Residence Inn by Marriott and has extensive experience in the development and implementation of information technology functions. She will join the company in December.

Daniel C. Smith was elected vice president and deputy general counsel. Smith's responsibilities include providing legal support for MBS transactions with multifamily loans and loans purchased from the Resolution Trust Corporation.

Paul R. Vergets was elected vice president and counsel - Western Regional Office. Vergets is responsible for all legal activities in the 10-state region.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

CONTACT: Bonnie O'Dell of Fannie Mae, 202-752-6527

-30- 2919

#90324p8746 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Florida Power & Light Company today filed papers asking the Public Service Commission to authorize an increase in the utility's winter charges because of rising fuel prices.

If the request is approved, a 1,000-kilowatt-hour residential bill would increase from $75.85 to $80.37, a change of approximately 6 percent, beginning Jan. 3.

FPL is seeking the increase because the Middle East crisis has driven the price of oil and natural gas to higher levels than projected.

"The fuel price increase was compounded by warmer-than-expected weather in October," an FPL official said. "As a result, our plants burned 64 percent more oil during that month than would have been the case in temperatures were cooler."

Customers would see the increase reflected in the fuel charge portion of their bills. Utilities do not make a profit on fuels used to generate electricity.

The PSC approves fuel charges twice annually based on averaged six-month cost projections, but utilities are expected to request interim changes if fuel costs rise or decline too far beyond expectations.

CONTACT: Florida Power & Light Company corporate communications department, 305-552-3894 or 305-552-3895

-30- 1399

#90324p8748 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - S&K Famous Brands, Inc. (NASDAQ: SKFB) today reported its sales and earnings for the third quarter ended October 27, 1990.

Sales advanced five percent to $13,703,000, from sales of $13,070,000 for the same period last year. Store for store sales were down eight percent. Operating income for the quarter was $24,000, or $0.01 per share, as compared with $317,000, or $0.14 per share, for the same period a year ago.

Sales for the nine months ended October 27, 1990 were $43,943,000, up 13 percent from $38,776,000 for the first nine months of last year. Store for store sales were down approximately two percent. Operating income for the nine month period was $983,000, or $0.42 per share, compared with $1,153,000, or $0.54 per share a year ago.

Last year's third-quarter and nine-month net earnings included an extraordinary gain of $110,000, or $0.05 per share, resulting primarily from insurance proceeds for the retail value of inventory damaged during Hurricane

Hugo.

"The slowdown in consumer spending that has characterized much of 1990 continued to have an impact upon sales volume," said S&K Chairman Stuart C. Siegel. "We remain confident that our long-term strategy is sound. In response to the current environment, however, we have controlled variable costs and taken advantage of opportunistic merchandise purchasing."

Siegel added that the company elected to postpone the opening of five new stores, containing expansion to nine new stores this fall. This decision was a prudent one, he said, with six of S&K's nine new stores located in existing successful markets. "While this strategy has negatively impacted same-store sales, the potential for market-share gain overrides the short-term redistribution of volume from established locations," he said.

"We believe that our unique combination of value pricing, quality and service will attract budget conscious customers to S&K," Siegel continued. "Our merchandise assortment is the finest ever and we have prepared a vigorous advertising campaign to support our sales efforts."

Founded in 1967, S&K Famous Brands, Inc. is one of the nation's fastest-growing value-priced specialty menswear retailers. The company is headquartered in Richmond, Virginia.

S & K FAMOUS BRANDS, INC.
Statements of Income
(Unaudited)

($000's)	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	Oct. 27, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989	Oct. 27, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
Sales	$13,702.8	$13,070.4	$43,943.0	$38,776.0
Cost of Sales	7,360.8	6,956.8	24,045.3	20,960.0
Gross profit	6,342.0	6,113.6	19,897.7	17,816.0
Other costs and expenses:				
Selling, general and administrative	5,779.9	5,153.8	16,806.0	14,389.2
Interest	238.1	216.7	625.4	800.7
Depreciation and amortization	309.7	262.0	915.4	764.6
Other, net	(23.8)	(32.0)	(37.8)	(2.5)
Income before income taxes and extraordinary item	38.1	513.1	1,588.7	1,864.0
Provision for taxes (38.1pct)	14.5	195.6	605.7	710.7
Income before				

extraordinary item	23.6	317.5	983.0	1,153.3
Extraordinary gain, net of income taxes of $68.0		110.0		110.0
Net income	$ 23.6	$ 427.5	$ 983.0	$ 1,263.3
Earnings per share:				
Income before extraordinary item	$ .01	$ .14	$ .42	$ .54
Extraordinary gain, net of taxes		.05		.05
Net income	$ .01	$ .19	$ .42	$ .59
Weighted average common shares outstanding(a)	2,362,802	2,300,811	2,362,268	2,140,372

(a) Current and prior year weighted average share amounts reflect the issuance of 300,000 shares in August 1989.

CONTACT: Jay Jenkins, Director of Corporate Communications, S&K Famous Brands Inc., 804-346-2558.

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#90324p8749 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARAHAN, LA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Wiener Enterprises Inc. (AMEX: WPB) has announced the resignation of Martin E. Lewis as president and chief executive officer, effective as of Nov. 1, 1990.

Lewis has held these positions since April 1988. W. Wayne Foster, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Wiener Enterprises Inc., is acting as chief executive officer of the corporation until Lewis' successor is named by the board of directors at its regularly scheduled meeting on Nov. 29.

CONTACT: W. Wayne Foster of Wiener Enterprises, (504) 733-7055.

-30- 743

#90324p8750 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that San Francisco-based PLM Equipment Growth Fund II today began trading the partnership's depositary units representing limited partnership interests.

PLM Equipment Growth Fund II, organized in March 1987, is a $150 million income-oriented master limited partnership that owns, manages and leases a diversified portfolio of used transportation equipment. The partnership's portfolio consists of aircraft; railcars; marine vessels; cargo containers,

and trailers.

Trading under ticker symbol GFY, the units opened on 3,800 units at 17. There are 7,499,555 outstanding depositary units of PLM Equipment Growth Fund II. PLM Equipment Growth Fund II's general partner is PLM Financial Services, Inc. a wholly-owned subsidiary of PLM International, Inc. The fund will re-purchase units on the open market for its reinvestment plan.

PLM Equipment Growth Fund II reported net income of $3,822,000 on revenues of $39,356,000 for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989, compared with net income of $1,018,000 on revenues of $25,592,000 for the prior year. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 net income was $2,879,000 on revenues of $32,242,000, compared with net income of $3,471,000 on revenues of $28,302,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

The fund is currently generating annualized cash flow of approximately $3.40 or 17 percent per annum per unit on original cost of $20.00 per unit with $2.20 or 11 percent per annum being distributed to unitholders and the balance being reinvested in additional transportation equipment to expand the fund's underlying asset base as well as increasing cash flows from the lease portfolio.

PLM Equipment Growth Fund II recently declared a quarterly cash distribution of $.55 per outstanding depositary unit. The distribution was paid on Nov. 15, 1990 to unitholders of record on Sept. 28, 1990.

With the listing of PLM Equipment Growth Fund II, two public partnerships sponsored by PLM International, Inc. are now traded on the American Stock Exchange. PLM Equipment Growth Fund I (GFX) began trading on June 1, 1989.

CONTACT: Valerie Carattini-Cooke of PLM International, (415) 544-8227, or Lisa Kravitz of American Stock Exchange, (212) 306-1632.

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#90324p8754 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Northern Trust Corp., holding company of The Northern Trust Co. (NASDAQ: NTRS), today announced that its quarterly cash dividend will be increased to 21 cents per share from the present 19 cents per share. This increase of 10.5 percent will result in a new annual dividend rate of 84 cents, compared with the present 76 cents. This dividend will be payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 10, 1990.

In making the announcement, Northern Trust Chairman David W. Fox noted that the increase in the corporation's dividend reflects strong year-to-date profit performance and a positive outlook for the corporation's future.

CONTACT: Sue Rageas of Northern Trust, 312-444-4279.

-30- 889
#90324p8757 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
LONDON (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of Carlton Communications Plc announced today that Bob Phillis, group managing director, will be leaving the company in February 1991 to become chief executive of Independent Television News (ITN). At the request of Sir David Nicholas, chairman of ITN, the board of Carlton has agreed to this early release of Phillis from his contract.

Bob Phillis said, "I am sad to be leaving the group, but the unique opportunity of leading ITN at so crucial a time in its development proved irresistible. I believe that Carlton is perfectly positioned to contribute to and benefit from, the rapid changes taking place throughout the television industry. I look forward with confidence to seeing the group consolidate its position as a major international media organization."

Michael Green, chairman and chief executive said, "I am very sorry to be losing Bob from the team but fully understand the attraction of such an important position in British broadcasting. We are fortunate that Bob has built up an excellent management team during the past four years and wish him well in his new position. During the next three months he will be fully involved in our evaluation and planning for the opportunities created by the new broadcasting legislation. Lord Sharp will be assisting me in a review of the structure and organization of the board, and the re-allocation of executive responsibilities.

CONTACT: Michael Green, Bob Phillis or Simon Case, 071-499-8050, all of Carlton Communications

-30- 1730
#90324p8760 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS, (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Mary Kay Corp. announced today that it has extended the expiration date for the tender offer of its 15 percent Discount Debentures to midnight, Nov. 28, 1990.

CONTACT: Dwight Smith, 214-720-0607, for Mary Kay Corp.

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#90324p8763 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
MONTREAL, (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Seagram Company Ltd. (NYSE: VO) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share in U.S. currency, payable Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

For shareholders receiving dividends in Canadian funds, the exchange rate to

be applied will be the Bank of Canada noon rate of exchange on the record date.

CONTACT: Richard Russack of Adams & Rinehart, 212-557-0100, for The Seagram Company Ltd.

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#90324p8772 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Hotelecopy, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FAXM) today terminated its agreements with MCI Telecommunications Corporation. The agreements called for cooperation in marketing and promotional activities involving the products and services of the two firms.

In announcing the termination, Hotelecopy chairman and president, W. Edd Helms Jr., indicated that MCI had "irreparably failed to perform its general and specific obligations under the agreements." Helms noted that "MCI's failures are of the type which are incurable and MCI's breach had therefore terminated the agreements."

Respectively, the agreements had been in place since July 18, 1989 and Dec. 6, 1989.

CONTACT: Stanley Fields of Hotelecopy, Inc., 305-651-5176 or 800-765-3334

-30- 940

#90324p8777 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELKINS PARK, Pa. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Mortgage and Realty Trust (NYSE: MRT) announced today its earnings for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This is preliminary information which will be expanded after the completion of the annual audit by the trust's independent auditors. The trust's annual financial statement will be mailed to shareholders on or about Dec. 28, 1990, together with a proxy statement and proxy card for use in connection with the trust's annual shareholders' meeting scheduled for Feb. 13, 1991. The notes accompanying the following financial information are an integral part of this presentation.

MORTGAGE AND REALTY TRUST Periods ended

	Quarter		Fiscal year Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Earnings before provision for losses and reorganization expenses	$3,094,000	$4,967,000	$18,485,000	$22,196,000
Less:				
Provision for losses on real				

estate loans and investments	10,000,000	--	23,790,000	2,250,000
Reorganization expenses	4,824,000	--	5,051,000	--
Net income (loss)	(11,730,000)	4,967,000	(10,356,000)	19,946,000
Net income (loss) per share	($1.06)	$.46	($.94)	$1.85

Summary Financial Data

Years ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net income (loss)	($10,356,000)	$19,946,000
Net income (loss) per share -- primary	($.94)	$1.85
Total assets	595,645,000	517,462,000
Cash and cash equivalents(A)	46,356,000	479,000
Invested assets: Mortgage loans:		
Earning	$410,693,000	$429,604,000
Non-earning(B)	49,764,000	11,500,000
Investment in real estate equities	49,856,000	45,585,000
Properties acquired through foreclosure and held for sale:		
Earning	17,791,000	5,327,000
Non-earning	22,383,000	15,220,000
Total invested assets	550,487,000	507,236,000
Non-earning assets as a percentage of invested assets (pct.)	13.11	5.27
Allowance for losses	$13,799,000	$2,876,000
Allowance as a percentage of invested assets (pct.)	2.51	.57
Total unfunded commitments	$59,090,000	$153,850,000
Long-term participating loans: Funded (included in invested assets)	63,630,000	78,434,000
Unfunded	17,410,000	40,994,000
Debt subject to Chapter 11 proceedings	403,732,000	--
Notes payable	--	321,614,000
Shareholders' equity	168,717,000	187,562,000
Book value per share	$15.23	$17.16
Ratio of debt-to-equity(C)	2.21:1	1.73:1

CONTACT: C.W. Strong Jr., president of Mortgage and Realty Trust, 818-953-7700

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CHICAGO (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Methode Electronics, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: METH) today reported that sales for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 increased 29 percent to a record $42,984,000, as compared to $33,237,000 a year earlier. Net income more than doubled, to $2,272,000, as compared to $1,088,000, and earnings rose to $.20 per share versus $.10 per share for last year's second quarter. Both sales and earnings were quarterly records.

Sales for the first six months of the year increased 22 percent from $63,687,000 to $77,498,000, and net income jumped 123 percent from $1,855,000 to $4,137,000. Earnings increased to $.37 per share, up from $.17 per share for the first half of last year.

President William J. McGinley said, "Sales for the second quarter contained about $3,500,000 in non-recurring billings related to production tools and dies for the Big 3 automotive manufacturers. Exclusive of these sales, which contributed negligible profits, volume increased 25.1 percent for the quarter, and 21.2 percent year-to-date.

"Our second quarter automotive output increased over 20 percent, and both sales and profits reached record highs. Certainly, a large part of our recent success can be traced to our air bag related clock spring device programs for Ford and Chrysler.

"Our connector companies continued to expand rapidly on a worldwide basis. Methode's Singapore facility, which sells almost exclusively to the Far East, enjoyed sales growth in excess of 50 percent. Locally, our input/output termination device division tripled its sales during the quarter as marketplace acceptance continues to be excellent. Our domestic catalog connector activity increased 35 percent in spite of a slowdown experienced by most competitors.

"Finally, on Sept. 1, 1990, Methode purchased from its partner the remaining 50 percent interest in an English joint venture which manufactures catalog connectors for Great Britain and the Continent. The new company, Methode Electronics Europe, Ltd., will operate in a structure similar to that of our Singapore operation, and we expect it to thrive under new management.

"Our power bus distribution business has continued to show solid improvement with sales for the quarter increasing 70 percent over a year ago. Our primary emphasis has been aimed at mainframe computer and related applications, but we have enjoyed recent success in a joint effort with a sister division producing sophisticated flexible bus bars for incorporation into connector type devices.

"We are pleased to report that military bookings for our West Coast multilayer printed circuit facility have grown dramatically from September to November. Our monthly new order rate for this period has been about triple what we had experienced in the previous nine months. We lost money for the first two quarters compared to efforts of a year ago, but with the help of the recent

new business we expect the near future to be substantially better than what we have seen in our first six months."

"Our bare board circuit verification test equipment business continues to operate at disappointing levels. There is no question the marketplace has been weak and some of our troubles can be traced to a severe slowdown in capital equipment expenditures. However, we have to shoulder a great deal of the blame, because of tardiness in introducing our next generation of bare board equipment to the marketplace. Hopefully, this introduction will take place in the third quarter.

"We have just finished a quarter that on balance was the most rewarding period in the company's history. We have seen recent signs that the recessionary forces have started to hit Methode. Non-military bookings, especially in our connector business, have started to weaken. Detroit has talked of numerous plant closings at year-end, in addition to its normal holiday shutdowns. As we move into the third quarter, Methode faces more uncertainty than has recently been the case, but we still expect a satisfactory year result through our April 30 fiscal close," McGinley concluded.

METHODE ELECTRONICS, INC.
Financial Highlights
(000's omitted except per share amounts)

	Three Months		Six Months	
Periods ended Oct. 31;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$42,984	$33,237	$77,498	$63,687
Income before income taxes	3,616	1,818	6,529	3,100
Income taxes	1,344	730	2,392	1,245
Net income	2,272	1,088	4,137	1,855
Earnings per common share	$ .20	$ .10	$ .37	$ .17
Average number of common shares outstanding	11,107	10,999	11,098	10,991

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) yesterday ordered Beckman Instruments Inc. to implement the federal Superfund cleanup remedy at its plant in Porterville, Calif.

"EPA has provided Beckman Instruments ample opportunity to agree to conduct this cleanup under the terms of a consent decree," said Jeff Zelikson, director of EPA's Hazardous Waste Management Division.

"In spite of EPA's efforts to negotiate an agreement, the company would not sign a consent decree to conduct the cleanup work necessary to protect public health and the environment. Since a swift resolution was not forthcoming, EPA is using its enforcement tools - in this case an administrative order.

"Parties who create or contribute to environmental problems will be held responsible for the cleanup of these Superfund sites and are expected to reach an agreement with EPA within the timeframes established by Congress."

Effective Nov. 19, the company is required to design an extraction and treatment system for the contaminated groundwater that will achieve the cleanup levels established by EPA. Upon EPA review and approval of the workplans developed by Beckman, the company is required to construct and operate the system which is expected to cost nearly $4.7 million.

An outline of the process and timeframes the company must follow is provided in the order. Also included in the order is a detailed description of the work required.

The Beckman site is located along the southern boundary of Porterville. The company has manufactured printed circuit boards and electronic instruments at the facility since 1968. Waste generated from these operations have included solvents, acid solutions, and heavy metals.

In 1986, the Beckman site was added to the National Priorities List (NPL). The NPL is the list of uncontrolled hazardous waste sites nationwide which pose the greatest threat to human health and the environment. Sites on the NPL qualify for federal long-term cleanup efforts.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - NeoRx Corporation (NASDAQ: NERX) announced today that it has retained Lehman Brothers to assist the company in identifying and exploring potential strategic partnership opportunities with established companies in the pharmaceuticals industry.

The company is seeking strategic affiliations to help finance the continued development of its cancer imaging and therapeutic technologies and to facilitate the commercialization and distribution of any products that may be approved for marketing by the FDA.

The company expects that any partnership arrangements which may be reached may include the sale of equity interests in the company, the licensing of product or technology rights or a merger of NeoRx with another company. There can be no assurance that the company will be successful in establishing any new

partnership arrangements.

NeoRx Corporation, incorporated in May 1984, is developing monoclonal antibody-based pharmaceutical products for in vivo detection and treatment of certain types of cancer. The company has four cancer clinical trials in progress and has filed for marketing approval with the FDA for two OncoTrac(R) imaging products to detect metastatic melanoma and small cell lung cancer.

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HARRISBURG, PA. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Jeffrey J. Burdge, chairman of Harsco Corp. (NYSE: HSC), announced today that Robert L. Kirk, president and chief executive officer, CSX Transportation Inc., has been elected to the board of directors of Harsco Corp. effective Dec. 1, 1990.

Kirk brings to Harsco's board a wide range of industrial management and business development experience.

Prior to his leadership role at CSX, Kirk served as the chairman and chief executive officer of Allied-Signal Aerospace Co., one of the largest aerospace corporations in the United States. His previous positions were with LTV, ITT and Litton Industries. A graduate in engineering from Purdue University, Kirk has worked with distinction on behalf of professional associations, research activities and public service organizations. For his pioneering work in organizing the Executive Coalition for the National Initiative on Technology and the Disabled, Kirk was named the fourth recipient of the Department of Health and Human Services Distinguished Service Award.

Burdge also announced that he had received a letter of resignation from director Alexander B. ("Sandy") Trowbridge. Trowbridge's letter stated:

"I have been advised that the potential for a conflict of interest has now arisen because of my membership on the board of another company on which I have served for some time, and my continuing service as a director of Harsco.

"Since I joined the board of the other company earlier than my election to the board of Harsco, I am regretfully tendering my resignation as a director of Harsco, to become effective December 1, 1990.

"I have enjoyed very much my term of office with you and my colleagues. You have my best wishes and support for the continuing efforts that are being made to move Harsco forward in accordance with the board's long term plan for continued growth and prosperity."

In accepting Trowbridge's resignation, Burdge said, "The board will miss Sandy. His broad range of experience enabled him to make a real contribution during his tenure on the board." Trowbridge joined Harsco's board on Jan. 1, 1990, after serving as the president of the National Association of Manufacturers from 1980 to 1989.

Harsco Corp. is a diversified, international, industrial company headquartered in Camp Hill, Pa. The company's 12 divisions provide products and services for defense, industrial, commercial and construction applications from more than 270 facilities in 32 states and 14 countries.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Brooke Group Ltd. (NYSE: BGL) announced today the election of new officers, effective immediately.

The new officers, elected Nov. 17, 1990 are: Bennett S. LeBow as chairman, president and chief operating officer; Richard S. Ressler, vice chairman; Michael Rosenbaum, executive vice president; Jean E. Sharpe, executive vice president; John A. Sarto, vice president and chief financial officer.

Josiah Murray, was elected secretary effective Nov. 26, 1990.

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STAMFORD, CONN. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Dawn Capital Corp. (NASDAQ: DAWN) today announced increased revenue and profitablity experienced by the company for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues for the nine months were $3,628,486, a 65 percent increase over the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989 of $2,271,001. Net income increased 150 percent to $109,205, or $.02 per share compared to a net loss of $(200,458), or $(.03) per share for the same time period last year.

Revenue for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 declined slightly to $945,797 compared to $1,029,167, a year ago. A net loss in the third quarter of 1990 of $(71,087) or $(.01) per share was reported, as compared to a net loss of $(38,194) for the third quarter in 1989. The decrease in the company's revenue for the current quarter is primarily the result of a several week delay between the final shipments to the U.S. Postal Service, under a sub-contract, and the initial shipments under the company's new Postal Service contract. Restructuring charges resulting from the company's relocation of

certain facilities, including a $41,104 loss on the write-off of leasehold improvements in August and September of 1990, also had a significant impact on the company's third quarter results.

Andrew D'Aloia, president, Dawn Capital, stated "We are pleased to report Dawn Capital's solid financial performance for the year to date. Commercial sales, particularly shipments to the U.S. Postal Service remain strong and continue to increase. As a result of our recent growth, the company has moved its manufacturing capabilities to a larger facility in Pennsylvania in addition to moving our corporate and sales offices to Connecticut."

Dawn Capital Corp. commenced its present business activities in January 1989 with the acquisition of the Special Systems Division of American Technical Industries, Inc. The company manufactures and assembles components which are used in various industrial products and military hardware, and inspects and repairs circuit boards manufactured by a major computer company.

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HARRISBURG, PA. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Harsco Corp. (NYSE: HSC) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.30 per share, payable Feb. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 15.

Harsco has paid dividends without interruption or reduction since 1939. Next February's payment will be the 163rd dividend Harsco has paid to its shareholders.

Harsco Corp. is a diversified, international, industrial company headquartered in Camp Hill, Pa. The company's 12 divisions provide products and services for defense, industrial, commercial and construction applications from more than 270 facilities in 32 states and 14 countries.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - A major realignment of responsibilities within Marathon Oil Co. and the energy segment of USX Corp. (NYSE: X) was announced today by Victor G. Beghini, vice chairman-energy, USX, and president Marathon Oil Co.

The change is effective January 1, 1991.

The realignment consolidates business-related operations by shifting all of the assets and business activities of Marathon Petroleum Co. through merger into Marathon Oil Co. It will result in the dissolution of Marathon Petroleum Co. as a wholly owned subsidiary of Marathon Oil Co.

J. Louis Frank has been elected executive vice president, with continuing responsibility for refining, marketing and transportation activities. He will also assume responsibility for natural gas marketing and transportation.

Carl P. Giardini has been elected executive vice president, with responsibility for domestic and international exploration and production operations.

Frank and Giardini were also elected to the USX corporate policy committee, filling two energy-related vacancies on the committee.

James H. Brannigan has been elected senior vice president, administration and services. Brannigan's new responsibilities will include research and other activity at Marathon's Petroleum Technology Center in Littleton, Colo., reservoir engineering services and exploration services, as well as corporate administration functions, including computer services, purchasing, facilities administration and aviation. Brannigan was also elected to the board of directors of Texas Oil & Gas Corp. (TXO) and Delhi Gas Pipeline Corp.

Jimmy D. Low has been elected senior vice president, finance and accounting. Low's responsibilities will include the controller, treasury, internal audit and tax functions.

Frank will continue to be located in Findlay, Ohio, while Giardini, Brannigan and Low will remain in Houston.

Delhi Gas Pipeline Corp., Dallas, a wholly owned subsidiary of TXO, will continue to report to Beghini.

Marathon Oil Co. is a wholly owned subsidiary of USX Corp.

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WALTHAM, MA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM and Desktop Data, Inc. have entered into a cooperative marketing agreement so that IBM sales representatives can market Desktop Data's entire NewsEDGE product line - encompassing NewsEDGE/PC for stand-alone PC users, NewsEDGE/LAN live news processing for local area networks, and NewsEDGE/SERVER for electronic mail and executive information system applications.

An important part of this broad marketing relationship is a joint product offering by IBM and Desktop Data that will deliver multiple, real-time news services to executives through IBM's Executive Decisions/VM executive support system.

Desktop Data's NewsEDGE product family has been designed to provide corporate and financial customers with "live news processing" - the ability to monitor immediate news from a wide range of news sources, delivered via FM, satellite, or X.25 broadcast, all at their own personal computer.

NewsEDGE software manages the simultaneous receipt of as many as 20 different news services, identifies the news stories that are of critical interest to the customer based on customer-designed profiles, and stores all the news stories in a fully indexed database for easy searching.

IBM Executive Decisions/VM, a component of IBM's OfficeVision Family, is a support system designed for executives to integrate the critical information they use to manage their businesses with other important decision-support functions and business communication activities.

With this joint product offering, ED/VM executives will now have enhanced access to important external information within the same familiar and powerful Executive Decisions/VM interface that organizes internal company data for their decision-making.

With the integration of NewsEDGE and Executive Decisions/VM, users can "filter" the news information that reaches their desktops by specifying key profile words. For example, an Executive Decisions user could choose to monitor and receive stories that deal specifically with the petrochemical industry by specifying words and phrases like "OPEC", "oil reserves", and "emission standards".

Whenever NewsEDGE receives a story from any of the news services selected by the customer, it checks for matching profile words. If the story contains a profile word, NewsEDGE forwards the story to the executive's news folder, providing a briefing-at-a-glance whenever the executive needs an update.

In this way, executives will be able to take full advantage of the competitive political, and economic information found in real-time newswires, but on their own schedule.

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ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - At a special meeting the stockholders of Pharmacontrol (NASDAQ: PHARD) approved a one-for- eight

reverse split of common stock and changed its authorized common shares from 20 million to 25 million, The effective date of the reverse split was Nov. 16, 1990. The stock will trade "as issued" under the new symbol PHARD (Pharmacontrol was formerly traded under the symbol PHAR).

Pharmacontrol is engaged primarily in the manufacture and distribution of generic over-the-counter solid dosage pharmaceutical products sold under customer private labels and its own brand name. Currently the company sells more than 40 different types of products.

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#90324p8799 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - National Heritage Industries (NASDAQ: NHER) general partner of Heritage Hotel Limited Partnership I, announced today that as a result of non-performance by United Gaming Inc.'s (NASDAQ: UGAM) wholly owned subsidiary, United Coin, as the lessee for the gaming, food and beverage operations.

As previously reported, United Coin notified the partnership on Sept. 26, 1990 that their financial condition has created a situation which does not at this time allow them to continue with the project.

The inability of United to remedy their noncompliance with the 10-year lease arrangement and their failure to pay on a timely basis their contractors and subcontractors which were involved in the casino tenant-improvements, have lead to numerous delays, and, finally, cessation of construction. The partnership is presently meeting with counsel to determine which remedies the partnership will pursue, including, but not limited to the termination of the lease with United.

As no qualified replacement as an operator for the food, beverage and gaming has yet been found, the projected opening date of Dec. 26, 1990, has been delayed. Discussions are presently continuing with a number of interested parties regarding the operation of casino, food and beverage facilities. The 310-room Chaparral Hotel/Casino is located at 901 E. Desert Inn Rd., 1/4 block from the Las Vegas Convention Center.

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TEL AVIV, ISRAEL (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Istec-Industries & Technologies Ltd. (NASDAQ: ISTUF, ISTEF, ISTWF) at a

meeting held on Nov. 19, agreed to accept the offer of its parent company, Yissum Holdings Ltd., to acquire Istec's holdings in Healthcare Technologies Ltd. (56.6 percent). The offer, based on an evaluation of Healthcare's shares made by an independent investment banker, amounts to more than three times the share market value.

The company will sell its holdings in Healthcare Technologies (2,250,000 shares) at a price of about $1 per share, for a total amount of $2.25 million, of which $1.75 million will be paid in cash and $0.5 million will be paid out over five installments. As part of the agreement, Istec will repay all its debts to the parent company.

Istec's board of directors appointed a committee consisting of one independent and one affiliated director to negotiate the completion of this transaction with Yissum.

In recent years, the company operated and invested its resources in various technological projects and start-up companies. However, its inability to raise additional outside capital, coupled with the ongoing need for investment caused it to finance activities through loans obtained from its parent company, Yissum Holdings Ltd. The company's debt to Yissum at Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to some $1.4 million.

Management believes that the only way the company will be able to raise capital from outside sources in the near future is through the sales of its assets, which are:

-- 2,250,000 shares in Healthcare Technologies Ltd. The value of the company's holdings based on the average market price over the last three months is some $0.675 million (or $0.30 per share), whereas according to the evaluation made by an independent investment banker this amounts to some $2.185 million (or $0.97 per share).

-- Scan Group International: The company was offered for sale in July 1990, but its worth is considered negligible in view of its financial results.

In order to enable Istec to continue operating as an independent company, the board of directors agreed to accept the offer of Yissum Holdings Ltd.

Upon completion of this transaction, the company will realize a profit of some $1.1 million.

Istec is currently reviewing several new business opportunities in Israel in order to replace the company's discontinued operations.

Istec is engaged in the design, development, manufacture and marketing of products, directly or through partly owned subsidiaries, involving various technologies. Its specific aim is to create export- oriented products, some

of which it has begun marketing, while others are still in the research and development stage.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Triangle Home Products, Inc. (AMEX: THP) today reported sales of $4,898,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $6,210,000 in the same quarter of 1989. The company reported a loss for the current quarter of $273,000, or 23 cents per share, vs. net income of $14,000, or 1 cent per share, for the prior-year period.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales were $15,318,000 compared to $20,454,000 in the same period of 1989. The company reported a net loss of $1,046,000, or 87 cents per share, compared with a profit of $249,000, or 21 cents per share, in the prior year.

Triangle said it sees no alleviating increase in sales in the fourth quarter, a traditionally slow sales period. Some cash flow benefits and overhead reduction, however, could be realized from the sale of ventilating equipment operations.

On Nov. 6, 1990, Triangle's bank loan agreement was amended to reduce its net worth maintenance requirement from $3 million to $2.75 million and to reduce its total credit line from $2.25 million to $2.2 million. According to the company, this should be beneficial to the company and not adversely affect liquidity. Efforts continue unabated to reduce selling and administrative expenses which decreased in the current period by $484,000 or 27.5 percent compared to the same period a year ago.

Triangle Home Products, Inc. manufactures and markets bathroom manufactured housing and conventional housing markets.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - UtiliCorp United (NYSE: UCU) announced today that the Missouri Public Service division has filed a request with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to increase its wholesale

electric rates by approximately $830,000 annually, or an average of 12.75 percent. Under the request, the new rates would be effective on Jan. 15, 1991.

The increase is needed primarily to offset the costs of an ongoing project to rebuild the division's Sibley Generating Station. Increasing costs of purchased power capacity, required to meet greater customer demand, also have contributed to the need for more revenues.

The last wholesale rate increase occured in 1984. Rates were decreased by three percent in 1987 to offset beneficial impacts of the 1986 Tax Reform Act.

The rate action affects the Missouri communities of Odessa, Rich Hill, El Dorado Springs, Liberal, Pleasant Hill, Harrisonville, Gilman City and Galt. Those communities buy electricity wholesale from Missouri Public Service and distribute it over municipal systems. The FERC has jurisdiction over wholesale rate matters.

Missouri Public Service provides service to about 160,000 electric customers and 40,000 natural gas customers located in north-central and west-central Missouri. The service area includes much of the eastern and northern portions of the Greater Kansas City area.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides gas and electric service to 820,000 customers in eight states and the province of British Columbia. Its divisions are Missouri Public Service, Peoples Natural Gas, Michigan Gas Utilities, West Virginia Power, Northern Minnesota Utilities and Kansas Public Service.

West Kootenay Power is a Canadian subsidiary. PSI and UtilCo Group are non-regulated subsidiaries specializing in energy and utility related enterprises.

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SAN DIEGO, (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Xscribe Corp. (NASDAQ: XSCR) announced today that its quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, resulted in a net loss of $4,368,000 (including restructuring charges of $2,905,000 described below). This compares to a net loss of $457,000 for the same quarter of the previous year. Revenues in the current quarter were $3,024,000 compared to $4,414,000 for the comparable quarter of the prior year. The company's net loss for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $5,298,000 (including the restructuring charges) compared to a net loss of $1,222,000 for the comparable six month period of the prior year. Revenues for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $6,760,000 compared to $7,733,000 for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Management recently implemented significant restructuring measures including a move to smaller facilities, a reduction in personnel and a reevaluation of product profitability, among other things. These measures resulted in a charge of $2,905,000 during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company also announced today that it has filed its Form 10-Q with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Xscribe Corp. designs and markets a wide variety of high-technology software and hardware products for legal professionals including computer aided transcription systems for court reporters, microcomputer- based systems for litigation support, and real-time captioning systems for the hearing impaired.

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#90324p8807 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS, MO. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - John R. Bartholdson, a senior vice president of Lukens Inc. (NYSE: LUK) and president of industrial operations, today announced the restructuring of the Safety Products Group of Lukens Inc. and the new executives who will head the reorganized operations.

Fred G. Peil, 63, has been named vice chairman of Flex-O-Lite. Allan A. Huning 52, formerly vice president of operations, has become president of Flex-O-Lite with general responsibility for all glass bead manufacturing and associated products. Reporting to Huning, John A. Campo, 48, has been named vice president and general manager of the Services and Materials Co. headquartered in Elwood, Ind.

Bartholdson said the manufacture and sale of glass beads and glass bead products will continue to be managed by Flex-O-Lite. The remaining highway safety products and associated facilities will be part of the Services and Materials Co.

"The changes will allow our glass bead manufacturing facilities to concentrate on product development, productivity improvements and customer service," Bartholdson said. "Services and Materials will become the one-stop source for all highway and industrial safety products."

Manufacturing operations reporting to Services and Materials include the flashing light and arrowboard production facilities in La Mirada, Calif.; the channelizer barrel plant in St. Louis, Mo.; and the traffic cone and safety products facility in Elwood. "Services and Materials also will manage the distribution facilities in Fenton, Mo.; La Mirada; and Belmont, Ontario, Canada," Bartholdson said. "This provides Services and Materials with the opportunity to significantly improve customer service, which is a key element to success in the safety products markets."

Fred G. Peil has been with Flex-O-Lite for 22 years. In his new role as vice chairman, he will be responsible for expanding the export business the company has developed. Peil is a member of the board of directors of the American Road and Transportation Builders Association (ARTBA); serves as a member of the American Traffic Safety and Services Association (ATSSA); and was a member of the National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

Lukens Inc. is a multi-industry, "Fortune 500" company. In addition to highway construction-zone safety products, its subsidiaries provide plate steels, pipe coating services, cathodic corrosion protection services, heavy materials-handling equipment, and industrial screening products.

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SOLON, OH (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Keithley Instruments, Inc. (AMEX: KEI), a leader in test and measurement instrumentation, today announced financial results for its fiscal year and fourth quarter which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for 1990 reached a record $100,593,000, up 13 percent over last year. "This is the first time in Keithley's history that sales were above one hundred million dollars," stated Thomas G. Brick, Keithley's president and chief executive officer. "Having MetraByte for a full year and increased sales in Europe and the Pacific Basin more than offset decreased sales in a soft domestic market."

Net income of $3,378,000 in fiscal 1990 decreased 18 percent from $4,131,000 in 1989. Net income per share was $0.96 compared to $1.18 last year. The decline in net income was attributed primarily to increased marketing and unusual net charges of approximately $0.13 per share, including the benefit of a lower effective tax rate. The net charges included costs to write down intangible assets and settle employment contracts at Kethley's Asyst Software subsidiary, which were offset by the favorable effect of a new benefit policy.

For the fourth quarter, which includes MetraByte in both 1990 and 1989, net sales increased 8 percent to $25,816,000. Net income for the fourth quarter was $1,117,000, down 10 percent from $1,248,000 in the comparable period last year. Net income per share for the quarter declined to $0.31 from $0.36 a year ago. The quarter includes approximately $0.05 per share of the aforementioned unusual net charges.

Brick stated, "Earnings in 1990 were good considering the difficult conditions in the test and measurement industry. In positioning the company for long-term growth, we absorbed some significant charges at Asyst, which will reduce their future cost of operations, and we continued our product

development and new product marketing programs. In addition, MetraByte became a positive contributor to earnings during 1990 and helped the company pay down $5,857,000 of debt.

"The outlook for 1991 is, however, very uncertain," added Brick. "Weak market conditions coupled with the apparent economic recession, could further impact our business. We will continue to focus on managing our assets and controlling costs."

Keithley Instruments, Inc., is a leading single source of advanced hardware and software for test and measurement instrumentation and data acquisition and control applications of scientists and engineers worldwide. Its products and systems are found in universities, industrial research laboratories, engineering development departments, quality control areas, and manufacturing production lines.

CONTACT: Ronald M. Rebner, vice president and chief financial officer of Keithley Instruments, Inc., 216-248-0400

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#90324p8809 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors announced today it will voluntarily conduct a safety recall of approximately 520,000 model year 1989-90 passenger cars for potential problems with the brake stoplamps. Affected owners are being notified directly by mail. GM dealers will perform all necessary inspections and repairs at no charge to owners.

Vehicles involved in the recall include certain 1989-90 Pontiac Grand Prix, Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme and Buick Regal models, as well as certain 1990 Chevrolet Lumina cars.

The subject vehicles may have a faulty electrical switch which could result in the stoplamps not illuminating upon application of the brakes, or conversely, staying on all the time. This condition could make it difficult for the driver of a trailing vehicle to recognize braking action of the vehicle ahead.

Additionally, if the cruise control function is engaged, the cruise may go to the "resume" mode upon release of the brakes. If this occurs, the cruise control feature can be disengaged by moving the cruise switch to the "off" position or by reapplying the brakes. Normal braking capability is not impaired by any of the above conditions. GM dealers will replace the stoplamp switch to correct the potential problem.

Customers who have questions on the recall should contact their local GM dealer or call their respective divisional customer assistance center at the following toll-free numbers: Pontiac, 1-800-762-2737; Oldsmobile, 1-800-442-OLDS; Buick, 1-800-521-7300; or Chevrolet, 1-800-222-1020.

CONTACT: David E. Sloan of General Motors, (313) 556-2099.

-30- 1810

#90324p8812 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - All American Television, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALLT) today announced its financial results for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The three-month results ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, are as follows:

	ALL AMERICAN TELEVISION, INC.	
Quarter ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
Revenues	$4,310,000	$3,495,000
Net income	55,000	51,000
Earnings per share	$.03	$.03
Wtd. avg. no. of shrs. outstdg.	2,006,650	1,946,816

CONTACT: Joseph E. Kovacs, 212-818-1200.

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#90324p8816 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FRESNO, CA. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Gottschalks Inc. (NYSE: GOT) announced that third quarter net income increased to $160,000, or 2 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $1.1 million, or 14 cents per share, during the year earlier quarterly period. For the 39-week year-to-date period, net income increased to $495,000, or 6 cents per share, compared to the year earlier 39-week loss of $2.1 million, or 26 cents per share.

In commenting on the results, Joe Levy, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer stated "these results are indicative of the continued leveraging of operating expenses being generated by our significant sales increases. Selling, general and administrative expenses improved to 32.4 percent of sales for the quarter from the year earlier 35.6 percent of sales. Gross margin improvement also contributed to the improved quarterly results.

"Our previously reported sales increases of 25.5 percent for the quarter with same store increases of nearly 12 percent were among the best in the country for department store retailers and provide a confident basis as we turn our attention to the important holiday season," added Levy.

Gottschalks is a regional department store chain, currently operating 22 department stores and 34 specialty apparel stores in the Central Valley and Central Coast areas of California. Gottschalks offers moderately priced brand-name fashion merchandise, and is in its 86th year of continuous family management.

CONTACT: Robert E. Lawson of Gottschalks, 209-485-1111

-30- 1694

#90324p8818 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TREVOSE, PA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Auto Depot Inc. announced today that it has signed letters of intent for three stores in Florida. The company expects to open two of these locations during the first quarter of 1991.

Wilbert B. Dubin, president and chief executive officer, stated, "We are very pleased with the store locations in the Florida area. This region provides an extremely cost effective labor force and low real estate costs.

Additionally, Florida continues to have a vibrant economic outlook which is likely to outpace other regional state economies. Given these factors, the company plans to continue focusing its growth in the state of Florida through 1991."

Auto Depot will offer a wide selection of quality, brand-name automotive products at discount prices to retail and commercial customers. Auto Depot warehouse stores will average 60,000 to 75,000 square feet, and will carry an inventory of approximately 17,000 stock keeping units (items), including automotive accessories, batteries, maintenance and repair parts, sound systems cellular phones, tires and custom wheels. Each Auto Depot warehouse stores will also contain a fully equipped automotive service center staffed with trained technicians.

CONTACT: Douglas MacLellan, director of investor relations for Auto Depot, (213) 491-3500.

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#90324p8819 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

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#90324p8833 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, N.J. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Unigene Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ: UGNE) announced today that it has finalized an agreement with the Pennsylvania State University to collaborate on a research program involving its proprietary amidating enzyme. The company also announced that its parent amidation patent, covering both its amidating enzyme and hormone production technology, has issued in Australia.

The purpose of the Penn State collaboration will be to clarify the complex chemical mechanism by which the enzyme functions. The enzyme is currently used to fully activate peptide hormones in the second stage of the company's patented hormone production process. A greater understanding of the enzyme's behavior may enable the development of further efficiencies in the hormone production process or suggest ways in which the body's natural amidating enzyme might be manipulated to regulate important physiological functions. The University research effort will be directed by Professor Joseph J. Villafranca, one of the country's leading scientists in the field of enzyme structure/function analysis.

Australia is the third country to allow Unigene's initial amidation patent to issue. The company has previously received issuance notices from the United States and Hungary, while similar claims are currently pending in 17 countries. Unigene's Vice President, Dr. Ronald S. Levy, commented "We have devoted much time and effort to the establishment of a strong international patent umbrella to ensure the exclusivity of our amidation technology. We currently have several patent applications pending in the major industrialized countries of the world, and as each patent issues we move closer to realizing that goal."

Unigene Laboratories is a biotechnology company that develops technology and products with applications in the health care field. The company's proprietary amidation process is capable of producing peptide hormones for the treatment of a variety of diseases and disorders including osteoporosis, dwarfism and hypertension.

CONTACT: Dr. Ronald S. Levy, Ph.D., vice president of Unigene Laboratories, 201-882-0860, or Dr. Anthony J. Russo of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180

-30- 2425
#90324p8834 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
PARIS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Rhone-Poulenc (NYSE: RPU) has decided to double the production of its hydrochlorofluorocarbon (HCFC-22) unit at Avonmouth in England, bringing it to about 8,000 tons per year by the end of the year.

Some FF25 million ($2.5 million) is being invested to this end. The chemical and physical properties of HCFCs allow them to be used as substitutes for chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) without damaging the ozone layer. There is significant potential for development in this area. This increase in capacity is part of Rhone-Poulenc's policy of expanding its Avonmouth plant, which also houses a pilot plant for HFA 134.

Rhone-Poulenc, a world leader in specialty fluorine products, manufactures fluorine derivatives both at Salindres in France and at Avonmouth in the United Kingdom. The latter, formerly part of RTZ Chemicals' ISC Division, was acquired by Rhone-Poulenc in 1989.

The acquisition of the Avonmouth business has brought Rhone-Poulenc a unique product range and increased its know-how in fluorine chemistry. Some of the products are used within the Rhone-Poulenc Group in crop protection and pharmaceutical applications.

CONTACT: Raphaele Rabatel of Rhone-Poulenc, 011-33-1-47-68-2247.

-30- 1416
#90324p8841 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
EATONTOWN, NJ (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Monmouth Real Estate Investment Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MNRTA) reported record income of $955,985 or $.49 a share, for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to $950,661, or $.55 a share, for the year ended Sept. 30, 1989. Earnings per share were lower due to increased shares outstanding.

Monmouth Real Estate Investment Corporation presently has an annual dividend rate of $.70 a share, or $.175 a share per quarter. The company pays out 100 percent of its taxable income together with cash generated from operations. The company was scheduled to receive a substantial capital gain in 1991, however, it is now anticipated that this gain will not be realized until 1992. Therefore, there is a possibility that the company's dividend may be reduced from $.175 per quarter to $.15 per quarter.

Monmouth Real Estate Investment Corporation became a Delaware corporation effective Oct. 1, 1990; however, it continues to qualify as a REIT for tax purposes.

The company's assets have increased from $14,630,000 in 1989 to $15,635,546 in 1990. The company has increased its equity at historical cost from $6,950,000 in 1989 to $7,488,333 in 1990.

CONTACT: Rosemarie Faccone of Monmouth Real Estate Investment Corporation, 201-542-4927

-30- 1475

#90324p8845 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - TSA Capital Management has been named as investment adviser of a new four-country global asset allocation fund recently launched in Japan by Daiwa Investment Trust and Management Co. Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Daiwa Securities Co. Ltd.

The Global Asset Allocation Fund, marketed to Japanese investors in October, uses TSA's quantitative asset allocation and active currency management models to shift exposure among stocks, bonds and cash equivalents in the United States, Japan, the United Kingdom, and Germany.

TSA's recommendations are implemented in Tokyo by Daiwa Investment Trust, which uses a combination of physical securities and futures contracts to achieve the desired asset and currency exposure.

The Los Angeles-based investment firm was recently approved as a registered investment adviser in Japan by the Ministry of Finance, but the registration permits TSA only to provide investment advice and does not extend to custody of assets.

"The establishment of this fund is both an important strategic step for TSA and a clear indication that investors are increasingly receptive to globally oriented strategies," said Charles W. Woodford, chairman of TSA Capital Management. "We are honored to be associated with Daiwa Investment Trust in this effort, and we hope to make our relationship a long and productive one."

In addition to management of the new global asset allocation fund, TSA Capital Management expects to work closely with Daiwa Investment Trust in designing and marketing additional jointly managed quantitative strategies to U.S. institutional investors.

TSA Capital Management is the institutional investment management subsidiary of Trust Services of America, a trust company based in Los Angeles.

CONTACT: Richard Boling of TSA Capital Management, (213) 614-7225.

-30- 2062

#90324p8847 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Equitable Gas is again offering Holiday Utility Gift (HUG) certificates as a special way of celebrating the holiday season, it was announced today.

The company also is making matching contributions of up to $25 for the first 400 certificates purchased for qualified low-income or senior citizen individuals or families.

A HUG certificate is a thoughtful gift to help a friend or relative with their heating bills this winter. The value of each certificate purchased is credited to the recipient's Equitable account and the company's matching gift adds an extra value to the purchase. HUG certificates also may be donated to needy families identified by local community organizations.

HUG certificates are available in multiples of $5 at Equitable's headquarters building, 420 Boulevard of the Allies, or by calling 412-553-5958. Each certificate is personalized with the name and address of the recipient, if one is designated, and the amount of the gift. Givers may choose to have the certificates mailed to them for giving or directly to the recipient.

CONTACT: Mike Stack of Equitable Gas, 412-553-5911

-30- 1312

#90324p8848 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELYRIA, OHIO (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Invacare Corporation (NASDAQ/NMS: IVCR), America's largest and most innovative manufacturer of wheelchairs and other home medical equipment, today announced that Mark E. Shepherd, Sr. has been appointed director of consumer marketing, a new position.

Shepherd, 36, is responsible for building product awareness and name recognition among the company's various consumer market segments. He will interact extensively as a liaison between the firm's marketing and engineering functions and consumer focus groups to ensure that new product designs and functions are consumer-considerate. Shepherd will place particular emphasis on active wheelchair consumers, in coordination with Invacare's new Action Technology division which was announced last week. He reports directly to A. Malachi Mixon III, Invacare's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

"Today's physically challenged are leading increasingly active lives," explained Mixon. "Invacare has made a corresponding commitment to enhance wheelchair mobility. Our new Action Technology division, coupled with Mark's dynamic approach and considerable insight into consumer needs, will help strengthen our lead in the industry."

Shepherd began his career in 1973 with the U.S. Army, where he served as a sergeant for six years, including over three as a member of the Presidential Honor Guard in Fort Myer, Va. Following that, he joined the U.S. Government

Department of Defense in Mare Island, Calif., where he worked for over five years. In 1984, Shepherd was selected by the City of Walnut Creek, Calif., to join its law enforcement staff, where he was employed most recently. A top wheelchair athlete, Shepherd competes nationally and internationally in wheelchair basketball, road racing and tennis. Endorsed by Victory Entitlements Through Service, a veterans organization, he is a member of the nationally ranked Toledo Silver Streaks wheelchair basketball team.

Invacare is the leading U.S. manufacturer and distributor of prescription and standard wheelchairs, three-wheel scooters, respiratory equipment, hospital-type beds, patient aids, continuous passive motion devices and cardiovascular fitness equipment. The company prides itself on its premiere track record of innovation and new technologies. With 1990 annual sales (estimated to reach $225 million), Invacare has operations throughout the U.S. and in Europe, Canada and Mexico. The firm serves over 3,000 dealers in North America and exports to other parts of the world.

CONTACT: Kathleen Obert of Invacare Corporation, 216-329-6000

-30- 2819

#90324p8849 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 20) PRNEWSWIRE - Glenex Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: GLXIF; Vancouver: GXI) President Norman Glick today issued the following statement:

Management believes that the shares of the company have been severely oversold as a result of the company's difficulties with its Colorization division. As at Sept. 30, 1990, the book value of the company's shares was in excess of Cdn$3. During the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company purchased 325,400 of its shares at an average market price of Cdn$0.99 per share.

Glenex remains financially strong in spite of the uncertainty of present economic conditions. As at Sept. 30, 1990, shareholders' equity was Cdn$27.2 million (Cdn$3.05 per share) including cash and short-term securities of Cdn$6.7 million (Cdn$0.75 per share). Management expects to release unaudited interim financial statements for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, within the next 10 days.

For calendar 1990 Glenex anticipates participating in 16 wells in its Canadian oil and gas drilling program, the busiest year in Glenex's history. Twelve wells have been drilled to date with a 67 percent success rate. Based on indications to date, the company's consulting engineers are optimistic that completion of the drilling program may result in significant increases to the company's proven oil and gas reserves.

The Vancouver Stock Exchange has not reviewed and does not accept responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of this release.

CONTACT: Norman Glick, president, or Elaine N. Carlebach (investors) of Glenex Industries, 416-962-9292.

-30- 1771

#90324p8856 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTVALE, NJ (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard A. Gilsenan, chairman of the board, the Jersey Bank for Savings, has announced the appointment of Jerome J. Lombardo, president of C. J. Lombardo Realtors, Hackensack, N.J., to its board of directors.

C.J. Lombardo Realtors, own and manage 2,000 residential apartment units in New Jersey.

Lombardo is a member of the Bergen County Board of Realtors, The Institute of Real Estate Management, and The New Jersey Council of The Multi-Housing Industry, of which he is a board member and second vice president.

Lombardo is a graduate of the University of Dayton and received his real estate license and brokers license in 1972 and 1974 respectively.

He resides in Wyckoff with his wife, Rosanne, and three children, Andrew, Jerome, Jr., and Valerie.

"Jerry is a most welcome and important addition to the bank," said Gilsenan.

Jersey Bank for Savings is a new community bank serving Northern Bergen County N.J., which prides itself on its personalized service.

CONTACT: John Zalarick of Youngworth Communications, 201-744-5556, for Jersey Bank for Savings

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#90324p8862 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

OIL CITY, PA. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Quaker State Corporation (NYSE: KSF) has introduced a family of new synthetic products called Synquest.

The new line includes Synquest 5W-50 synthetic motor oil, Synquest 5W-40 synthetic blend motor oil, Synquest 75W-90 synthetic gear lubricant, and Synquest NLGI No. 2 synthetic grease.

"Synquest motor oils are state of the art products that will appeal particularly to drivers of luxury and performance cars that operate under extreme conditions," says Homer M. Ellenburg, president and chief operating officer of Quaker State Oil Refining Corporation, a subsidiary of Quaker State Corporation.

"Synthetic and synthetic blend motor oils have captured a significant share of the European market," says Mr. Ellenburg, "and now, U.S. motorists are beginning to seek the benefits that synthetics or synthetic blends can offer. No other motor oil on the market today provides a wider range of protection at extreme temperature conditions than Synquest."

Synquest motor oils flow at temperatures below minus 40 degrees Fahrenheit for good cold weather starting and wear protection. At the other extreme, engine temperatures as high as 450 degrees Fahrenheit are easily handled by Synquest motor oils.

Synquest motor oils have passed the highest standards for passenger cars and light trucks set by the American Petroleum Institute (API)), European (CCMC) and Japanese (JASO) performance tests. The tests demonstrate that Synquest -- like all Quaker State motor oils -- offers motorists some exceptional qualities:

-- Synquest significantly reduces engine deposits because of its thermal stability and resistance to high temperature oxidation.

-- Synquest's exceptional low temperature characteristics result in faster lubrication and quicker starts during extreme cold weather.

-- Synquest has low volatility, so it does not easily evaporate or boil away. This can reduce oil consumption.

-- Synquest provides outstanding wear protection because of its excellent viscosity properties and shear stability.

-- Synquest's low friction properties provide improved fuel economy. Even though synthetic lubricants do not break down from normal heat and heavy use, Synquest motor oils should be changed at car manufacturers' recommended intervals because they collect engine dirt and combustion by-products as they lubricate and cool.

CONTACT: Benton H. Faulkner of Quaker State Corporation, 814-676-7877

-30- 2667

#90324p8867 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BINGHAMTON, N.Y. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - On Monday, Nov. 19, 1990, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) assigned to New York State Electric & Gas Corporation's (NYSE: NGE) February 1990 electric and natural gas rate filing issued his recommended decision.

The ALJ's recommended decision provides for an electric rate increase of $69.4 million, or 5.9 percent, to become effective Feb. 1, 1991, and also provides

that unbilled revenues will be used to offset a natural gas rate increase which would otherwise have been required. The recommended decision assumes a return on equity of 12.2 percent and an overall rate of return of 10.53 percent.

Differences between the ALJ's recommended decision and the company's request for a $79.4 million (6.65 percent) increase in electric rates and a $6.5 million (4 percent) increase in natural gas rates reflect primarily a lower allowed return on equity provided by the ALJ (12.2 percent versus 13 percent requested by the company).

The ALJ's recommended decision now goes to the full Public Service Commission for its consideration. A final decision is expected by Jan. 26, 1991.

CONTACT: K. B. Hooper of New York State Electric and Gas, 607-729-2551

-30- 1384

#90324p8870 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Kern River Gas Transmission Company today announced the awarding of contracts to six construction companies to build its 904-mile pipeline from southwestern Wyoming to near Bakersfield, Calif.

Construction will begin in December in southern Utah on spreads five and six of the eight-spread project. Associated Pipeline Contractors of Houston, and the H.B. Zachry Company of San Antonio, won these contracts.

Other contractors awarded work were the Hood Corporation of Whittier, Calif.; Gregory & Cook of Houston; ARB Incorporated of Bakersfield, Calif.; and Sheehan Pipeline Construction Company of Tulsa.

Earlier this month, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approved Kern River's contracts with shippers.

The company has received final re-confirmation of shipper volumes in excess of 600 million cubic feet per day (MMcfd).

Contractual commitments with shippers on the remaining firm volumes of the 700 MMcfd initial capacity of the system are expected to be completed shortly.

Kern River has directed steel mills to make plate and roll pipe, with on-site deliveries to begin in December to coincide with the start of construction. Gas is expected to flow on Jan. 1, 1992.

Kern River is a joint venture of The Williams Companies, Inc. (NYSE: WMB), and Tenneco Inc. (NYSE: TGT).

Williams is a Tulsa-based corporation that operates a nationwide digital telecommunications network and more than 25,000 miles of pipelines, which transport natural gas and petroleum products.

Tenneco is a Houston-based, diversified company with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, shipbuilding, automotive parts, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

CONTACT: Jim Gipson of Williams Companies, 918-588-2111

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#90324p8873 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Nash Finch Company (NASDAQ: NAFC) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 17 cents per share of common stock and a year-end extra cash dividend of one cent per share. The dividends, totaling 18 cents per share, are payable Dec. 7, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 30, 1990. The fourth-quarter dividend is the company's 257th consecutive quarterly cash dividend.

Dividends paid in 1990 will total 69 cents per share, compared with total dividends of 67 cents per share paid in 1989.

There are 10,870,664 shares of common stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Norman R. Soland of Nash Finch, 612-929-0371.

-30- 875

#90324p8875 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Imperial Industries, Inc. today announced results of operations for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Results for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 produced a loss of $192,000, or $.04 per share on sales of $1,863,000, compared to a loss of $81,000, or $.02 per share, on sales of $1,802,000 for the same period last year. Results in the third quarter of 1989 included miscellaneous income of $117,000 relating to the reimbursement of litigation defense costs and expenditures from certain of its insurance carriers incurred previously by the company.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 the company incurred a loss from continuing operations of $167,000, or $.08 per share, on sales of $5,920,000, compared to income from continuing operations of $400,000, or $.03 per share, on sales of $5,621,000, for the comparable period last year. Such results for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 also included a gain of $638,000 realized from the sale of surplus real property, compared to a gain of $121,000

realized in the 1990 period.

In addition, in the first nine months of 1989, the company terminated operations of Adobe Home Centers, Inc. and disposed of substantially all of the assets relating to their operations. As a result, the company recognized a gain from discontinued operations of $706,000, due principally to a realized gain of $906,000 derived from the sale of real property in the second quarter of 1989.

The company recognized an extraordinary gain of $327,000 in the second quarter of 1989 as a result of the settlement of an accrued liability for an amount less than the carrying value of the obligation shown on the company's accounting records.

As a result, the company had a loss of $415,000, or $.08 per share, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to net income of $1,175,000, or $.23 per share, for 1990.

Imperial Industries, Inc., a building product company, operates in the states of Florida and Georgia through its subsidiaries, Premix-Marbletite Manufacturing Co. and Acrocrete, Inc., companies engaged in the manufacture and distribution of stucco and plaster products to building materials dealers.

CONTACT: Howard L. Ehler Jr. of Imperial Industries, Inc., 305-477-7000

-30- 2481

#90324p8878 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON, (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - CIM High Yield Securities (AMEX: CIM) has announced the payment of a $.07 per share dividend, payable Dec. 10, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Jay S. Neuman, 617-722-3807, or Kathleen O'Neill, 617-722-3863, of CIM High Yield Securities

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#90324p8892 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND, NC (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Cansorb Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: CJBCF), the leading manufacturer of pine-wood based cat litter, announced today that their PINE FRESH cat litter has been reintroduced making it available in over 1,700 East Coast stores.

Cansorb Industries underwent major restructuring and management changes in December of 1989 and has been rebuilding its market share regionally during 1990. "Consumer demand for PINE FRESH never really diminshed even though it was not available in most areas for several months. We received hundreds of letters from people wanting to know where to find PINE FRESH," said William B.

Kraigsley, Cansorb managing director.

"Our goal is to have PINE FRESH on at least 60 percent of the grocery store shelves in our target areas," said Kraigsley. The initial target market, from Buffalo, New York to Miami, Florida, represents approximately 20 percent of the U.S. population and about 40 percent of the cat litter market, estimated to be $500 million in North America.

Initial orders were shipped in April with re-orders beginning in June. Some of the store chains currently carrying PINE FRESH in various areas are Harris-Teeter, Winn-Dixie, Ukrops, Weis Markets, Wegmans, Safeway, Kroger and Acme Markets. "We have been extremely encouraged by the volume of repeat orders from these stores," said Kraigsley.

Cansorb Industries, Inc., with manufacturing facilities in Cleveland, North Carolina, is the leading manufacturer of pine-wood based cat litter.

CONTACT: William B. Kraigsley, managing director, Cansorb Industries, Inc., 704-278-9603, or Shannon T. Squyres, Corporate Relations Group, 714-955-1860, for Cansorb Industries

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#90324p8894 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, N.J. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Public Service Enterprise Group Inc. (NYSE: PEG) (Enterprise) has declared a quarterly dividend of 53 cents per share of common stock for the fourth quarter of 1990, an increase of 1 cent per share over the dividend paid in the third quarter.

With the modest increase of approximately 2 percent, the annual indicated rate for the common stock dividend rises from $2.08 to $2.12. The increase marks the 15th consecutive year that the company has raised the dividend on its common stock.

In a related matter, the board of directors of Public Service Electric and Gas Co. (PSE&G) declared a regular quarterly dividend on all series of PSE&G preferred stock. PSE&G is the principal subsidiary of Enterprise.

All dividends for the quarter are payable on or before Dec. 31 to stockholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: Neil Brown of Public Service Enterprise Group, 201-430-6017

-30- 1137

#90324p8899 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, AZ (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntellect Inc. (NASDAQ: SYNL) announced today that it has received a 1991 order forecast from IBM (NYSE: IBM) which

indicates substantially reduced order demand compared to 1990 levels. IBM markets two private-label versions of Syntellect's interactive voice response (IVR) equipment and is Syntellect's largest single customer. IBM accounted for 25 percent of Syntellect's total revenues in 1989 and 30 percent for the three quarters ended Sept. 30, 1990. The dollar value to Syntellect of the new 1991 IBM forecast is approximately $2.3 million, or about 40 percent of the level forecasted by IBM last year for the 1990 calendar year.

IBM representatives have officially provided no explanation for the projected decline in orders. Syntellect management has recently become aware of IBM development efforts directed at an internally-designed interactive voice response product and believes that the order decline is tied to a planned introduction of the IBM product. IBM has been a long-term participant in the interactive voice response industry, having offered various products to the marketplace on and off since 1968.

Syntellect Executive Vice President of Marketing and Sales Bill Sparks states that, "It has always been a possibility that IBM might decide to re-enter this market directly with their own product. It appears that IBM's marketplace success with the Syntellect product may have expedited their decision." He points out that, "With IBM's current momentum and existing installed base of 9270 and 9274 product, we anticipate continued ordering from IBM at a reduced rate well into 1992."

According to S. Thomas Emerson, Syntellect's president and CEO, "Although IBM's reduced order level will affect Syntellect in the short- term, we believe that a decision by IBM to enter the IVR market directly would be positive for the industry. If our assessment of IBM's actions is correct, it will amount to a very strong endorsement of the long-term market opportunities for IVR technology." Emerson adds that, "Although IBM has accounted for 20-30 percent of Syntellect's revenues during the past two years, significant OEM discounts have made IBM a much smaller contributor to Syntellect's product gross margins."

Syntellect Inc. develops and markets a family of IVR systems, and is the leading supplier of these systems worldwide. Interactive voice response technology links touchtone telephones with computer-processed vocabulary to help revolutionize the way organizations provide information, deliver services and control the flow of products. Syntellect is headquartered in Phoenix.

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PHOENIX, AZ (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntellect Inc. (NASDAQ: SYNL) announced today it has signed an agreement with GPT, headquartered in Coventry, United

Kingdom, to market its INFOBOT(R) line of interactive voice response systems.

GPT is the largest telecommunications manufacturer in the United Kingdom and one of the largest in Europe. The company is in the forefront of technology, with marketing and manufacturing facilities throughout the world, and has proven resources and ability to use them.

"This agreement establishes Syntellect as a major player in the European market, and it positions GPT as having the most advanced voice response systems available," said Harwood Shepard, vice president of Syntellect. Shepard said the initial contract is worth more than $1 million.

Director of GPT Telephone Systems, Bob Skinner, said the agreement links two companies with world class pedigrees. "This deal shows GPT's firm commitment to interactive voice response products as a way ahead for the future," he said.

GPT will market Syntellect's family of INFOBOT systems, which include a new speaker-independent voice recognition feature, along with Syntellect's expert system software. According to Shepard, the combination will allow UK customers to upgrade from earlier generation voice response systems and to broaden their applications for voice response.

Shepard added that with the extensive resources of Syntellect and GPT throughout Europe, manufacturing in the European community is a consideration.

"As volume grows in Europe, Syntellect will consider European manufacturing of its products," said Shepard. "Syntellect has a strong commitment to the UK and European markets."

Interactive voice response systems allow customers to use a telephone to access routine information and to request service related to financial and credit accounts, insurance programs, order status and many other applications. Assistance for using the system and responses to inquiries are given in a human voice.

Syntellect is the largest marketer of voice response systems in the world. The company offers the broadest line of voice response systems available. For more information about Syntellect and the INFOBOT product line, contact Mary Ann Johnson, 15810 N. 28th Ave., Phoenix, Ariz., 85023, or call 602-789-2800.

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TULSA, OK (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Kinark Corporation (AMEX: KIN) announced today that after consideration its board of directors has rejected the latest unsolicited proposal by Steel Partners, L.P., offering to acquire the company

in a negotiated merger transaction for $6 per share in cash. Steel Partners made its proposal subject to execution of a definitive merger agreement containing warranties, representations, and closing conditions.

In other actions, the board has appointed a committee of outside directors to discuss, on behalf of Kinark, any offers which might be received and to work with its investment banker, J. C. Bradford, to aid the company in enhancing shareholder value.

Kinark Corporation, with corporate headquarters in Tulsa, operates chemical facilities in Chicago and Montgomery, Ala., and supports industrial/commercial construction and metals corrosion protection with galvanizing plants in Denver Louisville, Nashville, St. Louis, Houston and Hurst, Texas.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Pacific Scientific Co. (NYSE: PSX) said it now expects to report unanticipated costs and expenses of approximately $4 million for its fourth quarter ending Dec. 28, 1990, reflecting inventory start-up and other problems within its Fisher Pierce Division, as well as certain environmental clean-up cost. Edgar Brower, the company's chairman, president and chief executive officer, said that, as a result, analyst expectations for 1990 net income should be adjusted downward significantly to reflect a potential fourth-quarter loss of as much as $1.5 million.

Brower said that upon performing physical inventory compilation procedures at Fisher Pierce during late November, approximately $1 million of inventory problems were noted after operations from its former Puerto Rican facility were consolidated in Massachusetts. In addition, he said that the company now projects additional Fisher Pierce losses during the fourth quarter up to $1.5 million from a slower-than-expected start-up of the moved operation, loss of certain operating efficiencies, sales below expectations and other unanticipated expenses.

Approximately $1.5 million in environmental clean-up expense will be charged to earnings in the fourth quarter of 1990, Brower said. Late in 1989 the company sold real property in Anaheim, Calif., and agreed to clean, up to governmental requirements, any contaminants found in the soil. The estimated expense of this clean-up has now been determined based on an extensive environmental investigation of the property. The clean-up reserve established when the property was sold, has been expended in this nine-month investigation. An additional environmental clean-up expense is being recognized for the company's former Puerto Rican facility and involves the disposal of an electrical power transformer containing toxic oil.

Pacific Scientific's core business is designing, manufacturing and marketing technology based proprietary products for niche markets. The principal industrial products include electric motors and controls, and measurement and control instrumentation. Aerospace products include fire detection and suppression systems, aircraft equipment and electric generators and alternators.

CONTACT: Joseph Allen of South Coast Group, 714-731-4341, for Pacific Scientific Co.

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#90324p8907 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Metro Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ: MAIRC) today announced that The Supreme Court of Georgia has reversed the judgment of the lower courts which had found in favor of Metro Airlines and one of its subsidiaries against another commuter airline and certain of its key shareholders and executives. The court determined a new trial is required.

The appeals court and the trial court had found Michael J. Brady, John E. Molis and Charles A. Miller had conspired to establish Phoenix Airline Services Inc. and its affiliate, Express Airlines I Inc., while they were employed by Metro Express Inc., Metro Airlines' subsidiary in Atlanta. The courts had found that these activities of the defendants deprived Metro Airlines and Metro Express of a corporate opportunity and violated fiduciary duties of loyalty to both Metro Airlines and Metro Express.

In its opinion, the Supreme Court held that, under the facts presented, Metro Airlines was not entitled to its own individual direct action, and, therefore, only Metro Express should have been able to bring the suit. The court further found that one of the jury charges should have been stated differently. The court concluded that a new trial is required since it is impossible to determine what percentage of the lump sum award from the trial court was for Metro Airlines and what percentage of the award was for Metro Express.

J.L. Seaborn, president of Metro Airlines, stated, "Metro Airlines and Metro Express intend to aggressively pursue the reconsideration and, if necessary, the retrial of this suit. Although if retrial is necessary there is no assurance that Metro will again obtain a favorable verdict from the trial court, we believe we would clearly be able to again show the wrong dealings of the defendants and hopefully either obtain the stock of Phoenix and Express Airlines or increase the monetary award payable by the defendants to more accurately reflect the damages sustained by Metro."

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#90324p8916 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Ampal- American Israel Corporation (AMEX: AIS.A) yesterday elected Michael Arnon chairman of the board of directors and Lawrence Lefkowitz president of the corporation and a member of the board, effective immediately.

Arnon has been president of the corporation since June 1986. By assuming the position as chairman of the board he fills a position which has been vacant since he took office as president.

Lefkowitz has been vice president-legal of the corporation since April 1977 and secretary since May 1978. He is also counsel to the corporation's parent, Bank Hapoalim B.M., in the United States.

The corporation announced that this restructuring of the management returns the corporation to its traditional situation, with an Israeli chairman and an American president, which existed for many years prior to 1986.

Ampal-American Israel Corporation and its subsidiaries are engaged in industrial, agricultural, real estate, hotel and tourist enterprises in Israel.

CONTACT: Lawrence Lefkowitz, president of Ampal-American Israel, 212-586-3232.

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#90324p8917 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The AFL-CIO announced today that it is responding to federal Judge Jack B. Weinstein's request that the federation assume an advisory role in the settlement of the asbestos claims against the Johns Manville Corp.

Judge Weinstein made the request in a letter to AFL-CIO President Lane Kirkland by saying that "it would be useful to have the plan independently reviewed by an individual who understands the plight of the American worker" regarding asbestos but who is "uninfluenced by the hope of high legal fees."

Weinstein, in his Nov. 19 letter to Kirkland, added: "The goal is to assure that the final version of the plan and its administration is equitable from the perspective of the workers and families who claim injury. It is highly desirable that labor have direct input into the process."

In response, Kirkland said: "I agree that recent events demonstrate that the current system for compensating the working people who have been injured by exposure to asbestos is seriously flawed and that there is an urgent need for a concerted effort at establishing a just, equitable, prompt and efficient national compensation system. You have my pledge of full labor ...

assistance."

Kirkland recommended AFL-CIO General Counsel Laurence Gold for the role of special adviser. Gold, 53, who has been general counsel since 1984 and has represented the AFL-CIO since 1965, is a graduate of Princeton University and Harvard Law School.

The appointment of Gold coincides with a settlement agreement submitted to Weinstein by the Manville trust Tuesday that would combine 130,000 asbestos lawsuits.

CONTACT: James B. Parks, Department of Information, AFL-CIO, 202-637-5010

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DALLAS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - BANK ONE, TEXAS, NA has filed suit against Ameritrust Texas Corp., Ameritrust Corp. and Ameritrust Texas, National Association in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division. BANK ONE's suit, filed Nov. 9, 1990, disputes Ameritrust's claims that it is the proper fiduciary under the Texas Substitute Fiduciary Act with respect to unmatured wills, trust instruments and similar documents which appoint a failed MBank or its predecessors in a fiduciary capacity.

According to Richard M. Hart, chairman of the Trust Committee for BANK ONE, TEXAS, the purpose of the suit is "to carry out the intent of thousands of bank customers who have previously named one of the former MBanks, such as Mercantile National Bank at Dallas, as executor and trustee under their wills.

"It is our strong feeling and position that customers of the former MBanks and their predecessors expect BANK ONE, as successor to the MBanks, to serve as fiduciary under their wills, and, we believe, under the law BANK ONE is entitled to serve under those wills," said Hart. "In most cases, these individuals have continued to be customers of BANK ONE with the same officers serving their accounts.

BANK ONE's suit seeks declaratory relief prohibiting Ameritrust from interfering with BANK ONE's existing and perspective business and fiduciary relationships as well as an accounting with respect to certain trust accounts. BANK ONE also seeks actual and punitive damages for the wrongful actions of the defendants with respect to BANK ONE's efforts to conduct its trust business.

BANK ONE, TEXAS, NA, with more than 140 offices statewide, reported assets of $13.6 billion and deposits of $11.9 billion at Sept. 30, 1990.

BANC ONE CORP. is a bank holding company which operates BANK ONE, TEXAS and 50

other affiliate banking organizations with offices in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin. BANC ONE CORP. reported assets of $28.4 billion and primary capital of $3.1 billion at Sept. 30, 1990.

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HIGHLAND CITY, FL (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert H. Gagne, president of Caribbean Select, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSEL, CSELU, CSELW) announced today results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net revenues for the third quarter increased 342 percent to $5,042,420, compared to net revenues of $1,474,432 for the same period last year. Net loss for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $254,156 (before an extraordinary charge of $514,000 relating to deferred production expenses), as compared to a loss of $119,831 for the same period last year.

For the first nine months of fiscal year 1990, net revenues were $18,753,183, an increase of 405 percent over net revenues of $4,628,604 for the same period last year. Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $224,548 (before an extraordinary charge of $514,000 relating to deferred production expenses) as compared to a net loss of $606,545 for the same period last year.

Commenting on these results, Gagne said that Caribbean Select is currently operating at a profit and expects to report record sales and profits into the foreseeable future. "All of our product lines are improving and we fully expect these positive trends to continue," Gagne said.

CARIBBEAN SELECT, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	
Sales	$5,042,420	$1,474,423	$18,753,183	$4,628,604
Cost of Goods Sold:				
Direct Costs:	3,584,067	1,226,098	14,010,865	3,847,511
Overhead Costs:	746,339	--	2,272,739	--
Deferred Production expense:	514,000	--	514,000	--
	4,844,946	1,226,098	16,797,604	3,847,511
Gross Profit	197,474	248,325	1,955,579	781,093
General & Admin. expenses	498,494	182,075	1,049,010	616,212
Selling & Marketing expenses	433,987	186,081	960,888	764,664

Total Operating expenses	932,481	368,156	2,009,898	1,380,876
Operating Income (Loss)	(735,007)	(119,831)	(54,319)	(599,783)
Other income (expenses)	(33,149)	8,334	(237,223)	(6,671)
Income (Loss) before income tax and extra-ordinary items	(768,156)	(111,497)	(291,542)	(606,454)
Income taxes	--	--	--	--
Net income (Loss)	(768,156)	(111,497)	(291,542)	(606,454)
Net income (Loss) per share	(0.06)	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.08)
Average number of shares outstanding	12,575,984	7,878,660	12,575,984	7,878,660

CONTACT: Robert H. Gagne, president of Caribbean Select, Inc., 813-648-0000; or Richard R. Rozzi of Rozzi, Ruff & Assoc., 914-255-5552, for Caribbean Select, Inc.

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TALLAHASSEE, FL (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - In an effort to decrease the costs for Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company customers' intrastate toll calls, Florida's Public Service Commission today ordered Southern Bell to reduce its toll rates, amounting to a revenue reduction of $25.6 million. This revenue reduction, along with two others ordered today by the PSC for Southern Bell, amounts to $26,808,500.

In addition to reducing toll rates, the PSC ordered Southern Bell to eliminate Extended Area Service (EAS) additives for several routes, amounting to a revenue reduction of $763,500. The commission also directed Southern Bell to eliminate toll charges on three intraLATA toll routes. This rate change will result in a net annual toll reduction of $445,000.

With the adjustment to the toll rates, customers should see a reduction in the cost of most toll calls within Southern Bell's territory. These rates will become effective Dec. 1, 1990. For example, a customer in Key West, making a 3-minute daytime call to West Palm Beach will now pay 60 cents instead of the previous $1.20.

"With this reduction in toll rates, the commission was able to bring intrastate rates below interstate rates without increasing any local charges," said Chairman Michael Wilson. "The new rates proposed by the PSC are below AT&T's interstate rates for every mileage band."

He added, "The commission's action today ensures that Florida has among the

lowest intrastate rates in the United States and also shows our concern for ratepayers as we continue our close review of Southern Bell's incentive regulation plan approved two years ago."

In 1988, the PSC reserved about $147,743,082 of Southern Bell's 1990 earnings for later disposition. The disposition was to be decided after Southern Bell's depreciation rates were set. This past June, the commission's vote resulted in additional net depreciation expense for 1990 of $98,344,915. After Southern Bell was ordered subsequently to reduce its Busy Hour Minutes of Capacity revenue annually by $18,620,000, which resulted in lower long distance rates for AT&T customers, a net of $30,778,167 was available for further disposition by the commission.

Today's PSC action leaves about $3,969,667 left to be disposed of by the commission after Southern Bell implements the other reductions.

CONTACT: Bev DeMello of the Florida Public Service Commission, 904-488-7238

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ST. PAUL, MINN. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - AmClyde Engineered Products, Inc. announced today that it has sold two large multi-purpose travelling gantry cranes to Lambert's Point Docks, Incorporated, a subsidiary of Norfolk Southern Corporation for delivery to Norfolk, Va. The cranes, in excess of $8 million, are scheduled for completion in early 1992.

Lambert's Point Docks is upgrading its capacity with the AmClyde contract and is firmly establishing itself as a major commodities and container terminal on the eastern U.S. coast.

Wallace K. Fisk, Jr., president and chief executive officer of AmClyde said, "This is the largest custom designed port crane order we have booked in the last two years and is a significant addition to our record backlog of sales."

"Winning this project away from major European competition allows us to provide design, manufacture and erection jobs for AmClyde personnel and other U.S.-based subcontractors," Fisk reported.

AmClyde is the world's premier designer and builder of large specialty equipment for lifting, pulling, moving and mooring the heaviest loads in the offshore oil and gas market, for shipyards, for material handling and for U.S. government installations. AmClyde's work force of over 200 highly technical and experienced people support its worldwide leadership position in the custom engineered crane and winch business. Since 1892, customers, with over 10,000 cranes and winches in their operating "fleets," are being served by AmClyde on a worldwide basis.

CONTACT: Terrie Thompson of AmClyde, 612-293-4687

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#90324p8926 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

VENETIA, PA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The December issue of Inc. Magazine contains the 1990 Inc. 500, which ranks this country's top 500 fastest-growing privately held companies. MicroControl Systems Inc. (MCS) of Pennsylvania is ranked No. 291 on the eighth annual list.

MCS has a broad engineering capability which includes the design, manufacture and application of quality process control systems and the development of quality application software.

MCS provides expertise in many aspects of engineering including project and information management, engineering consulting and planning, electrical and electronic design, power distribution engineering, control panel fabrication, motor speed control, motor control center engineering, Computer Integrated Manufacturing (CIM), Local Area Network (LAN) communications, industrial heating equipment operation and control strategies, and furnace control and modeling.

MCS designs and manufactures standard systems, special purpose supervisory control and data acquisition systems, applications software to meet customers' special technical requirements, and provides system integration services and interface software for plantwide monitoring, control and reporting.

Eighty-eight of the top 500 companies are California-based, 32 are based in Texas, 28 are based in Massachusetts, 28 in Virginia, 27 in Pennsylvania, 23 in New York, 20 in Ohio, 19 in Maryland, 16 in Florida, 16 in Michigan, and 15 in Illinois.

As a group, the companies on this year's list boosted their collective revenues from $563 million in 1985 to $9.6 billion last year. The companies created 56,858 new jobs. The average company on the list has been growing at an annual rate of 1,601 percent, adding nearly 23 employees every year.

Of the 1990 Inc. 500 companies, 223 or 44.6 percent are service-related; 165 or 33 percent are in manufacturing; 51 or 10.2 percent are in retail; 36 or 7.2 percent are distribution-related and 25 or five percent are in construction.

To be eligible for the 1990 Inc. 500, a company must have been independent and privately held on July 9, 1990, the day the applications were due. The rankings are based on the percentage increase in sales from 1985 through 1989. Companies had to show at least $100,000 but no more than $25 million in sales for 1985 and had to register a sales increase between 1988 and 1989. Holding companies, regulated banks and utilities are not eligible.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Sizzler Restaurants International Inc. (NASDAQ: SIZZ) posted record system-wide sales and revenues for the second quarter of its fiscal year, but as anticipated, net income was at a lower level than in the prior year.

For the 12 weeks ended Oct. 14, 1990, system-wide sales (which consist of sales from both company-operated and franchised restaurants) increased 14 percent to $243,368,000 from $213,247,000, one year earlier. Second quarter revenues rose 10 percent to $86,814,000 from $78,699,000 in the prior year. Net income for the quarter was $5,007,000, equal to 31 cents per share, compared with $6,025,000 or 36 cents per share, a year ago.

For the first 24 weeks of the fiscal year, system-wide sales advanced 15 percent to $490,966,000 from $428,602,000 in the corresponding period of fiscal 1990. Revenues amounted to $175,395,000 up 11 percent from $157,621,000 in fiscal 1990. Net income was $10,404,000, equal to 64 cents per share, as against $12,028,000 or 72 cents per share in the comparable period a year ago.

Sizzler Restaurants International Inc. operates 676 restaurants, consisting of 221 company-operated and 455 franchised restaurants.

SIZZLER RESTAURANTS INTERNATIONAL INC.
Summary of Results
Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited)
(In thousands of dollars, except per share data)

	For The 12 Weeks Ended		
	Oct. 14, 1990	Oct. 15, 1989	Pct. Increase (Decrease)
Systemwide sale	$243,368	$213,247	14.1 pct.
Revenues	$86,814	$78,699	10.3 pct.
Net income	$5,007	$6,025	-16.9 pct.
Net income per common share	$0.31	$0.36	-13.9 pct.
Common and common equivalent shares	16,362,000	16,801,000	-2.6 pct.

	For The 24 Weeks Ended		
	Oct. 14, 1990	Oct. 15, 1989	Pct. Increase (Decrease)
Systemwide sales	$490,966	$428,602	14.6 pct.

Revenues	$175,395	$157,621	11.3 pct.
Net income	$10,404	$12,028	-13.5 pct.
Net income per common share	$0.64	$0.72	-11.1 pct.
Common and common equivalent shares	16,380,000	16,814,000	-2.6 pct.

CONTACT: Thomas L. Gregory, President and Chief Executive Officer of Sizzler Restaurants International Inc., 213-827-2300

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#90324p8935 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The McDonnell Aircraft division of McDonnell Douglas Corp. today announced that the United States Air Force has completed its critical design review of the $3.5 million Phase I extension of the Pilot's Associate development program.

The Oct. 10-12 review at the company's flight simulation facility in St. Louis culminated with a successful two-ship, air-to-ground target attack mission demonstration.

Pilot's Associate is a knowledge based software system that increases combat effectiveness and survivability by providing decision-aiding and intelligent cockpit management support for the pilot.

The initial $10.5 million Pilot's Associate contract ran from February 1986 through February 1989. The $3.5 million Phase I extension, which focused on near-term application, was funded from February 1989 through January 1991.

McDonnell Aircraft is negotiating for the start-up of Phase II of the program. Phase II will focus on using Pilot's Associate for multirole missions with specific F/A-18 Hornet and Hornet derivative applications.

A contract award is expected to be announced in early 1991.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Giant Food Inc. (AMEX: GFS.A), a Washington-based food-drug chain of 151 units, today announced unaudited sales and earnings for the 12- and 36-week periods ended Nov. 3, 1990, compared with the same periods ended Nov. 4, 1989.

Sales at Giant's 151 supermarkets continued to reflect the general slowdown in the regional economy. As reported in the Washington Post on Nov. 15, Commerce

Department statistics reveal there is a national flattening of retail growth, with food store sales declining 0.5 percent nationally in October. At Giant, sales have continued to increase, although at a slower pace than previously with sales for the 12 weeks increasing 3.1 percent over the same period a year ago. Thirty-six week sales increased 4.5 percent. For stores in operation both years, sales increased 0.2 percent for the 12 weeks and 1.5 percent for the 36 weeks. These same store sales continue to be impacted by stores the company opened over the past year which have taken some of their sales from nearby Giant stores, primarily in Dale City and Springfield, Va., and Columbia and Hunt Valley, Md.

During the period, Giant began the second year of a September 1989 union labor contract with its store personnel. As a result, a 45 cent per hour wage increase took effect Sept. 16. On Sept. 2, the company launched its second year of the Apples for the Students program which awards free computers, peripheral equipment, and software to schools in exchange for Giant receipt tapes. The cost for this program during the 12 weeks was $2.3 million.

Of Giant's 36-week earnings of 3.46 percent approximately 1 percent is derived from manufacturing, wholesaling, distributing, processing and non-retail operations.

On Nov. 7, 1990, after the close of the period, Giant opened its 152nd store, a 58,000 square foot food-drug store in the Village Center at Sully Station in Centreville.

At the close of the period, the company operated 151 supermarkets, of which 101 are food-drug stores. Giant also operates two free-standing drug stores. This compares with 147 supermarkets, 97 food-drug stores and two free-standing drug stores in the prior year.

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OAK BROOK, IL (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Envirodyne Industries, Inc. today announced that it has reached an agreement in principle with a domestic financial institution to enter into a sale and leaseback of the cellulosic casing production and finishing equipment at Viskase Corp.'s four domestic casing plants.

The approximate $170 million of sale proceeds will be used to repay term and revolving loans under the senior secured bank facility. The sale and leaseback transaction, which has been approved by the board of directors of Envirodyne and the financial institution, requires the unanimous consent of the bank syndicate (in order to release collateral and to modify the term loan amortization schedule). There can be no assurances that necessary bank

syndicate consents for the sale and leaseback transaction can be obtained.

The principal terms of the agreement include (a) a 15-year basic lease term (plus selected renewals at Viskase's option); (b) annual rent payments in advance beginning January 1991; and (c) a fixed price purchase option at the end of the basic 15-year term. Further, the agreement contains covenants requiring maintenance of certain financial ratios and restrictions on dividends, payments to affiliates, limitations on investments and incurrence of indebtedness.

Annual rental payments under the lease will be approximately $19 million through 1997, $21 million in 1998 and $23 million through the end of the basic term. Envirodyne is required to provide credit support, which will consist of a standby letter of credit, in the amount of one year's rent through at least 1997. Thereafter, this credit support can be reduced or eliminated if Envirodyne achieves and maintains certain financial ratios.

CONTACT: J.S. Corcoran, S.M. Schuster or G.S. Donovan 708-575-2400, of Envirodyne.

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MIAMI (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Rudy's Restaurant Group (NASDAQ: RUDY) (the "company") announced today that it has sold one restaurant, settled litigation on another, and restructured its loan agreement with its principal lender.

One of Rudy's Restaurant Group's subsidiaries, Rudy's Sirloin SteakBurgers, Inc. ("RSB"), sold its Kendall Drive restaurant lease rights and equipment Rudy's did not own the land or building for approximately $300,000. The restaurant will no longer be operated as a Rudy's restaurant, and RSB was released from any further liability under the lease. RSB decided this was the appropriate decision due to cross-competition for some of the same customers with its Rudy's restaurant on South Dixie Highway, the two-year Florida Department of Transportation road work now starting on Kendall Drive, and disappointment with recent results of the unit.

The Samurai, Inc., another of the company's subsidiaries, reached a complete settlement of its claims against a New York law firm related to services performed in the acquisition of its Orlando-based Samurai Japanese Steak and Seafood restaurant.

Rudy's Restaurant Group has also agreed to relinquish its rights to certain future expansion line funds under its agreement with Heller Financial, Inc. in return for a full waiver of related holding fees that would have been owed by the company to Heller under the agreement. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

CONTACT: Andrew S. Howard, vice president of Rudy's Restaurant Group, Inc., 305-576-8000

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RESTON, VA. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - DynCorp, formerly Dynalectron Corporation has received go-ahead from the U.S. Navy to implement a technical and engineering services contract at the U.S. Navy Warfare Assessment Center, Norco, Calif.; the Naval Weapons Station, Seal Beach, Calif.; and several satellite sites.

DynCorp was awarded the Navy contract on June 15, 1990, but received a stop-work order when the award was later protested. The General Accounting Office (GAO) subsequently ruled in DynCorp's favor. The contract will be fully operational on Jan. 1, 1991 with approximately 750 employees.

Under the terms of the contract, DynCorp will provide engineering, analysis, data collection and processing, and operational and ancillary services in support of naval weapon systems tests and exercises.

The contract includes a base period with four one-year options. With all options exercised, the total contract value exceeds $120 million. The contract is also of strategic value to DynCorp. According to the company's President and Chief Executive Officer Dan R. Bannister, "The Norco contract is in line with the company's five-year strategic plan which includes the growth and development of capabilities in computer-based information services." Bannister also noted that "DynCorp is looking forward to supplying the U.S. Navy with high quality services in support of our nation's defense."

Headquartered in Reston, DynCorp is an employee owned professional and technical services firm providing a wide range of services to government and commercial clients worldwide.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - QuesTech, Inc. (NASDAQ: QTEC) reported revenues of $11.17 million for the third quarter of 1990, a 7.6 percent decrease over revenues of $14.8 million of the same quarter last year.

The decrease in revenues was offset by an 8 percent reduction in operating costs, causing net profit to rise, to $86,900, which is compared to a net $42,200 loss posted for the same quarter in 1989. A loss of $133,600 was recognized from discontinued operations during the third quarter. A net profit in the amount of $230,100 was posted for the nine months ended Sept. 30

1990, a significant improvement for the restated loss in the amount of $758,000, for the same period last year.

Commenting on these operating results, President and CEO Vincent L. Salvatori said; "Our profitability and improvement in profitability has occurred because of the dedicated efforts of the employees and management of the corporation. We have increased our unfunded backlog to over $100 million, which indicates the acceptance of our quality technology. Cost reduction and financial controls continue to be effective."

Net earnings per share improved by 63 cents from a loss of 48 cents per share for the same quarter in 1989, to a profit of 15 cents per share for the quarter just ended.

QuesTech, Inc. is a diversified, high technology company, providing scientific engineering, and management services, primarily to clients in the fields of national security, R&D and industrial modernization.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Norstan, Inc. (NASDAQ: NRRD) today announced the results for its second quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990 and fiscal year-to-date.

Operating income for the second quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990 increased 4.6 percent to $1,582,000 as compared to $1,512,000 last year. Revenues for the second quarter increased 18.9 percent to $33,172,000 compared to $27,899,000 the previous year. Net income for the second quarter decreased 14.6 percent to $688,000 or $.20 per share, as compared to $806,000 or $.26 per share for the same period a year ago.

Operating income for the six months ended Oct. 27, 1990 increased 10.2 percent to $2,782,000 as compared to $2,525,000 last year. Revenues increased 13.8 percent to $61,738,000 as compared to $54,248,000 the previous year. For the first six months of fiscal 1991, net income increased to $1,243,000 as compared to $1,238,000 for the similar period one year ago. Earnings per share decreased to $.36 per share, as compared to $.40 last year, as a result of a larger number of common and common stock equivalent shares outstanding.

Net income for the first six months of the 1990 fiscal year included $133,000 or $.04 per share of dividend and interest income from the company's investment in New Summit, Inc. No such interest or dividend income has been recorded in fiscal year 1991. As recently disclosed, Norstan's settlement with New Summit, Inc. will be recorded in the company's third quarter.

Net income for the first six months of fiscal year 1991 was lower than planned due to decreased gross margins on selected low margin contracts, competitive pressures in the marketplace, a slower than anticipated start-up of the POE/ROLM secondary market equipment alliance and a short fall in profits from the Eastern Region.

Norstan's third and fourth quarters are historically its strongest and management is optimistic that the company will meet expectations for the remainder of the fiscal year. This is due to strong order flow, particularly in the Eastern Region, growing volumes in complementary, higher-margin products and improvement in the performance of the POE/ROLM secondary market equipment alliance.

Norstan, Inc., based in Maple Grove, Minn., is a multi-product telecommunications services company that designs, sells, installs, services and supports business telephone systems and related products. The company has 1,200 employees in 21 cities and 10 states and serves over 8,000 customers.

NORSTAN, INC.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	10/27/90	10/28/89	10/27/90	10/28/89
Revenues	$33,172,000	$27,899,000	$61,738,000	$54,248,000
Gross margin	11,312,000	10,866,000	22,384,000	21,154,000
Selling, general and administrative expenses	9,730,000	9,354,000	19,602,000	18,629,000
Operating income	1,582,000	1,512,000	2,782,000	2,525,000
Income before income taxes	1,133,000	1,365,000	2,073,000	2,098,000
Net income	688,000	806,000	1,243,000	1,238,000
Earnings per share	$.20	$.26	$.36	$.40
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	3,455,000	3,120,000	3,492,000	3,110,000

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#90324p8974 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - National Heritage Inc. (NYSE: NHR) today reported a net loss of $57,000 for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, versus a loss of $336,000 or 2 cents per share a year earlier.

First quarter revenues fell to $14,086,000 from $22,724,000 in the same period a year ago. The decrease in revenues was primarily due to the loss of operating leases and management contracts related to the change in control of several syndicated partnerships that own facilities previously managed or leased by the company.

Lower revenues were partially offset by a comparable decrease in operating expenses related to the loss of the leased facilities. General and administrative expenses fell significantly as a result of substantial overhead reductions in response to the declining revenue base and also due to non-recurring expenses in the year-ago period that were related to the contest for control of the company.

Robert M. Galecke, president, noted that the company's efforts to reduce overhead and bring costs in line with the smaller number of homes under management directly affected the improved results for the quarter. The company is also in a much stronger liquidity position than it was a year ago. He emphasized that the benefits of consolidating operations to the corporate headquarters and adjusting staffing levels would not be fully realized until the second quarter of fiscal 1991.

Galecke added that the company's economic resources will be directed toward opportunities in its core business of nursing home management. With this objective in mind, National Heritage is currently developing an aggressive marketing program to actively pursue new third party management opportunities.

National Heritage Inc. is one of the nation's leading managers of nursing homes and assisted living facilities for the elderly.

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#90324p8986 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Arkla, Inc. (NYSE: ALG) and Diversified Energies, Inc. (DEI) (NYSE: DEI), said today that they are pleased with today's decision by the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to approve the proposed merger of Minnegasco -- the natural gas distribution company of DEI -- into Arkla.

At a meeting held to further consider the matter, the PUC approved the merger subject to certain agreed upon administrative procedures. Minnegasco's rates will continue to be regulated by the PUC.

In July, the boards of directors of DEI and Arkla approved the merger agreement. PUC approval was the last of the regulatory actions needed for the merger to proceed.

Arkla and DEI shareholders will vote on the merger at special meetings of shareholders to be held Nov. 28 in Shreveport, La., and Minneapolis. Arkla and DEI officials said they expect that closing of the merger will occur shortly thereafter.

Arkla and DEI are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbols ALG and DEI, respectively.

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#90324p8992 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Allegheny & Western Energy Corporation (NASDAQ: ALGH) reported a pre-tax loss of $2,305,000 and a net loss of $1,614,000 or a net loss per share of $.20 for the three months ended Sept. 30 1990. This compares to the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, in which a pre-tax loss of $2,386,000 and a net loss of $1,669,000 or a net loss per share of $.21 was reported. The seasonality of the earnings contribution from the weather sensitive utility, Mountaineer Gas Company, as expected negatively impacted the first quarter earnings.

Mountaineer has historically contributed to profits during the second and third quarters of the company's fiscal year. Start up costs and a one time charge for a non producing horizontal well at the company's new TEX-HEX Corporation subsidiary also contributed to the loss. The utility's earnings should improve in the second and third quarters due to Mountaineer's recent rate case order which became effective July 13, 1990.

The company's three recently completed horizontal wells, the Dickson No. 5, Brown "A" No. 5R, and the Lane No. 4 are producing approximately 650 gross barrels of oil a day. The company's working interest in these wells ranges from approximately 25-50 percent. Three other horizontal wells are currently being drilled or completed. All of the company's horizontal wells are located in Texas in the Austin Chalk and are operated by the company's TEX-HEX subsidiary.

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$23,964,000	$18,879,000
Pre-tax income	(2,305,000)	(2,386,000)
Net income	(1,614,000)	(1,669,000)
Earnings per share	$(.20)	$(.21)
Average shares outstanding	8,083,188	8,083,188

Allegheny & Western Energy Corporation, based in Charleston, W.Va., conducts oil and gas exploration and development in Texas and West Virginia and owns Mountaineer Gas Company, the largest gas distribution utility in West Virginia

operating approximately 3,600 miles of natural gas distribution pipeline.

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#90324p8995 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOPEKA, KAN. (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Kansas Power and Light Company (KPL) (NYSE: KAN) and the Kansas Gas and Electric Company (KG&E) (NYSE: KGE) today jointly filed an application with the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) to approve their merger. KPL and KG&E are asking the KCC to grant an initial $15 million electric rate decrease to KG&E customers upon completion of the merger.

The completion of the merger is subject, among other things, to obtaining all necessary governmental and regulatory approvals and consents for merger (including the Missouri Public Service Commission, the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission); approval of the merger by the KG&E shareholders; and approval for an increase in authorized common shares by KPL shareholders.

Under the terms of the merger agreement, unanimously approved by the boards of both companies, each share of KG&E common stock will be converted to $32 in cash or approximately $32 in value of KPL common stock pursuant to a cash election merger. KG&E will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of KPL and maintain its Wichita headquarters.

KPL provides natural gas service throughout much of Kansas, western Missouri, and northeastern Oklahoma and electric service to northeast and central Kansas. It has about 1.06 million gas customers and 300,000 electric customers. It employs 4,600 and is headquartered in Topeka.

KG&E is an electric utility serving more than 250,000 customers in southcentral and southeast Kansas. It employs 1,330.

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#90324p9009 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - National Heritage Industries (NASDAQ: NHER) reported revenues of $3,628,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. After tax, net income was $198,000 which resulted in earnings of $.03 per share. This compares to an after tax net income of $40,000 on revenues of $624,000 for the comparable period ending Sept. 30, 1989. For that quarter, the net

earnings per share were $.01. The increased quarter sales were a direct result of the "for sale" housing division of the company in the greater Las Vegas marketing area.

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#90324p9018 11/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (NOV. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - First National Bank, a wholly owned subsidiary of First National Corp. (AMEX: FN), has been granted a temporary waiver from risk-based capital (RBC) guidelines as they apply to purchased mortgage servicing rights (PMSR) from the Office of the Comptroller (OCC).

The waiver is subject to compliance with certain terms and conditions which the bank feels it can meet before year-end.

"In order for the bank to continue in the mortgage servicing business at levels called for in our strategic plans, additional capital will be required " said Michael West, vice chairman of First National Bank and president and chief executive officer of First National Corp.

"We've arranged for a $7 million line of credit to the company, the proceeds of which will be placed in the bank as capital. The financing is subject to board and regulatory approval."

The temporary waiver will be reevaluated by the OCC if the treatment of PMSR is changed in final adoption of risk-based capital rules, expected some time in late 1991.

First National Bank is a $596 million bank with six commercial banking offices in San Diego County and one commercial banking office in Riverside County. The Mortgage Banking Group has a loan servicing office in San Diego and a loan production office in Bakersfield, Calif. First National Corp., a one-bank holding company, is listed on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol FN.

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MANILA (NOV. 20) UPI - Police uncovered dynamite bombs and grenade booby traps at a riverside facility of Shell Oil Tuesday, one day after President Corazon Aquino's justice secretary escaped unhurt from four powerful blasts that ripped through his home.

Shell spokesman Facundo Roco said workers assigned to paint a major pipeline at the Shell facility at the edge of the Pasig River near Aquino's palace

discovered a plastic bag containing 43 sticks of dynamite at 8:30 a.m..

Police bomb disposal teams and sniffer dogs later found two more bags of dynamite, one containing 45 sticks and another 40, Roco said. He said a rifle grenade also was found attached to the pipeline, where petroleum products are loaded onto barges in the murky river.

Roco said the bomb squads defused the explosives, which were believed planted overnight by unidentified men who came the river. He said the devices were ''not time bombs but booby traps'' which would have exploded when their fuses were touched.

The Shell facility in Manila's Pandacan District serves as a storage area for gasoline, chemicals, pesticides and kerosene.

On Monday, four powerful bombs rocked the house of Justice Secretary Franklin Drilon in suburban San Juan Town, but caused no injuries. Drilon, 44, his wife and two children were unhurt.

Drilon, whose office is prosecuting extremists from both the left and right, could not say who was trying to kill him because no one has claimed responsibility for the attack.

The bombing came amid news reports that rebel soldiers who have tried seven times to oust Aquino were planning to stage pocket rebellions north and south of the capital in an attempt to mount another coup attempt.

Aquino said Monday the nation's armed forces were taking precautions, but she did not think military dissidents have the capability to launch another uprising similar to the Dec. 1-9, 1989 rebellion in which 99 people were killed and 570 wounded.

On Oct. 23, a bomb exploded at Shell's headquarters in the capital's financial district and the Caltex office in Manila but caused no damage. The attacks were made on the eve of a violent four-day general strike by the leftist May 1st Movement, or KMU, to press demands for a wage increase.

KMU began a new round of protest marches Friday, which police dispersed with tear gas and truncheons.

The 19,000-member communist New People's Army announced it was supporting the KMU demands and would retaliate if police used force.

The NPA has been trying to set up a Marxist state for 21 years.

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#90324u0060 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 20) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	7	2	.778	-
New York	6	3	.667	1
Philadelphia	6	4	.600	1 1/2
Miami	3	5	.375	3 1/2
Washington	2	6	.250	4 1/2
New Jersey	2	7	.222	5

CENTRAL DIVISION

Detroit	6	2	.750	-
Milwaukee	7	3	.700	-
Cleveland	6	4	.600	1
Chicago	5	5	.500	2
Charlotte	5	6	.455	2 1/2
Atlanta	4	5	.444	2 1/2
Indiana	4	5	.444	2 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	5	2	.714	-
Dallas	5	3	.625	1/2
Houston	5	4	.555	1
Minnesota	3	6	.333	3
Orlando	3	6	.333	3
Utah	3	6	.333	3
Denver	1	9	.100	5 1/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	9	0	1.000	-
Golden State	7	3	.700	2 1/2
Phoenix	5	3	.625	3 1/2
LA Clippers	4	5	.444	5
LA Lakers	4	5	.444	5
Seattle	3	4	.429	5
Sacramento	0	7	.000	8

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(NOV. 20) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
Buffalo	9	1	0	.900	288	150	5-1	W-8
Miami	8	2	0	.800	202	109	6-0	L-1
Indianapolis	4	6	0	.400	142	210	2-3	W-2
New York Jets	4	7	0	.364	192	233	1-5	L-2
New England	1	9	0	.100	130	271	1-6	L-8
CENTRAL								
Cincinnati	6	4	0	.600	239	228	2-1	W-1
Houston	5	5	0	.500	229	192	2-1	W-1
Pittsburgh	5	5	0	.500	174	174	1-2	L-1
Cleveland	2	8	0	.200	151	270	1-2	L-5
WEST								
LA Raiders	7	3	0	.700	183	147	4-1	W-1
Kansas City	6	4	0	.600	219	148	2-3	W-1
San Diego	5	6	0	.455	224	190	2-2	L-1
Seattle	4	6	0	.400	196	206	2-4	L-1
Denver	3	6	0	.333	197	224	2-2	L-2

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
New York Giants	10	0	0	1.000	246	110	6-0	W-10
Philadelphia	6	4	0	.600	251	209	2-3	W-4
Washington	6	4	0	.600	230	186	4-3	W-1
Dallas	4	7	0	.364	149	225	0-5	W-1
Phoenix	2	8	0	.200	138	264	2-3	L-5
CENTRAL								
Chicago	9	1	0	.900	245	139	4-0	W-6
Green Bay	5	5	0	.500	200	217	2-3	W-2
Minnesota	4	6	0	.400	218	209	1-4	W-3
Tampa Bay	4	7	0	.364	177	274	4-1	L-5
Detroit	3	7	0	.300	213	257	1-4	L-3
WEST								
San Francisco	10	0	0	1.000	253	151	3-0	W-10
New Orleans	4	6	0	.400	188	195	0-2	L-1
Atlanta	3	7	0	.300	255	275	1-3	L-3
Los Angeles Rams	3	7	0	.300	219	282	1-0	L-2

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(NOV. 20) UPI - MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL SCORING SUMMARY

LA Raiders	0	10	3	0--13
Miami	0	7	0	3--10

FIRST QUARTER
No scoring

SECOND QUARTER
LA-FG Jaeger 23, 0:51
LA-Allen 2 run (Jaeger kick), 12:54
Mia-Schwedes 14 pass from Marino (Stoyanovich kick), 14:29

THIRD QUARTER
LA-FG Jaeger 43, 6:21

FOURTH QUARTER
Mia-FG Stoyanovich 26, 4:30

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	LA	Mia
First downs	18	16
Rushes-yards	42--177	12-14
Passing yards	116	199
Sacked-yards lost	0--00	2--15
3rd down eff.	5--11--45.0	1--10--10.0
4th down eff.	0--1--00.0	1--2--50.0
Passes	10--19--0	20--36--0
Punts	3--36.3	5--36.4
Punt returns-yds	1--12	1--10
KO returns-yds	2--41	0--74
Fumbles-lost	0--0	1--0
Penalties-yards	5--40	8--44
Time of possessin	35:24	24:36

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-LA Raiders-Allen 19-79, Jackson 17-99, McCallum 1-0, Smith 2-5, Schroeder 3-minus 6. Miami-Smith 6-minus 3, Jensen 2-3, Stradford 3-0, Marino 1-14.

PASSING-LA Raiders-Schroeder 10-19-0- 116. Miami-Marino 20-36-0-214.

RECEIVING-LA Raiders-Fernandez 1-3, Gault 3-58, Allen 2-22, T. Brown 3-21, Horton 1-12. Miami-Stradford 4-25, Martin 3-29, Smith 1-minus 1, Jensen 7-79, Schwedes 1-14, Duper 3-55, Edmunds 1-13.

SACKS-LA Raiders-Davis 1-7, Townsend 1- 8. Miami-None.

INTERCEPTIONS-None.

Missed field goals: None.

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#90324u0083 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (NOV. 20) UPI - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher will keep a stiff upper lip and travel to Versailles for a dazzling ballet performance and banquet even if Conservative members of Parliament vote to oust her from the party leadership, the British Embassy said Tuesday.

The Iron Lady will await the outcome of the vote in London at the sumptuous embassy on the chic Rue de Faubourg St. Honore, the Parisian embassy row, after returning from a closed session of leaders attending the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, an embassy spokeswoman said.

She will then travel to Versailles for congratulations or commiseration from her counterparts from around Europe at a ballet in the Royal Palace performed by the Opera di Paris followed by a banquet hosted by French President Francois Mitterrand.

''She is definitely going to Versailles,'' the spokeswoman said. ''She will come back (to the embassy), presumably wait for the result then change and go (to Versailles).''

Hordes of British journalists besieged the British Embassy to try to catch a glimpse of the beleaguered prime minister. But only a small pool was authorized to enter the courtyard of the mission lest she speak before heading to Versailles.

Thatcher looked relaxed and smiled broadly during a morning meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev at the Soviet Embassy. She also met with Mitterrand.

Elysee spokesman Hubert Vedrine said Thatcher and Mitterrand focused on the Gulf crisis during their talks.

''France has given its agreement for launching discussion between U.N. Security Council members for the elaboration of a new resolution foreseeing the use of force,'' Vedrine said.

French television and radio reports gave full coverage to Thatcher's plight.

Le Figaro newspaper described Thatcher as ''phlegmatic'' and ''haughty.''

''She has, for example, proudly ignored her foreign minister, Douglas Hurd, during all the ceremonies.''

Le Figaro also remarked on Thatcher's ''sense of humour,'' noting that she told a news conference Monday it was not yet time to write her memoirs.

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#90324u0084 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 20) UPI - President Bush Monday joined other world leaders meeting in Paris in signing an arms-reduction pact that formally signified the end of the Cold War, and a new era of co-operation. Bush also met over dinner with Soviet leader Gorbachev. The two discussed the Persian Gulf crisis.

Iraq is matching the United States in moving more troops in the Middle East. Iraq Monday announced that it is sending 250-thousand more soldiers into Kuwait in anticipation of a possible attack by U-S led forces. American estimates say there are already about 400-thousand Iraqi troops in Kuwait.

In Paris Monday, foreign ministers from Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia were denied admission to the Conference on Security and Co- operation in Europe. One of the officials accused France of bowing to pressure from the Soviet Union. The three men represent republics seeking independence from the Soviet Union.

The astronauts aboard the shuttle Atlantis will have three more opportunities for landing Tuesday at Edwards Air Force Base in California. NASA called off a scheduled landing Monday when winds at the landing site changed direction. Officials have NOT ruled out a landing at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

Arizona Democrat Dennis DeConcini says influence-peddling accusations against him and four other senators are based on- what he called ''lies and allegations and hearsay.'' DeConcini delivered a two-hour personal defense of his actions relating to indicted savings and loan owner Charles Keating before a Senate panel Monday.

Prosectors in Valparaiso, Indiana, say they'll seek the death penalty for an ex-convict, his 19-year-old stepson and another youth in the rape and killing of a convenience store clerk. The three defendants in the case are being held without bond. Christel Helmchen was was slain last week.

The head of the government's AIDS research effort says the AIDS epidemic is- in his words- ''out of control.'' But Dr. Anthony Fauci does NOT want federal spending on AIDS to get out of hand as well. Fauci says the National Institutes of Health should NOT spend more than 10 percent of its budget on AIDS.

A government report warns that the arms race is moving into the Third World.

The U-S Arms Control and Disarmanent Agency says world military spending on arms declined for the first time in a decade in 1988. But the financial crunch that caused the cutback also led to increased arms exports to the Third World.

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#90324u0104 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 20) UPI - After meeting with Soviet President Gorbachev in Paris Monday President Bush decided to put off a decision on whether to ask for a U-N resolution that would authorize a possible military attack against Iraq. White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater said more discussions with various parties are needed before Bush puts the question before the U-N. Gorbachev is seeking a peaceful solution to the crisis.

Both sides were expressing optimism in advance of a secret ballot Tuesday in London that may decide Margaret Thatcher's political future. Britain's prime minister is facing the first serious threat to her hold on government, with the challenge coming from her former defense minister, Michael Heseltine. 372 Conservative members of parliament will chose which one will lead the party.

A member of the Christian Lebanese Forces militia command says it will NOT complete a withdrawal from east Beirut- in his words- ''until a number of issues are settled.'' The militia Monday stopped its pullout, defying a government warning. The Lebanese government had set Monday as the last day for all militias to evacuate Beirut, creating a unified city. All other militias pulled out last week.

The South African Institute of Race Relations describes a wave of violence as the ''grimiest ever.'' The respected independent institute says three-thousand-38 people have died in political violence this year. Police say the latest bloodshed came in a squatter camp east of Johannesburg, where at least 19 people found early Monday either shot, hacked or burned to death.

One witness describes it as ''like the Fourth of July in November.'' Sparks and smoke shot into the air as a building in the early stages of construction collapsed Monday night in Washington, D-C. There was NO immediate word of any injuries... but officials are searching for a worker who may have been at the site when the building gave way, leaving a heap of steel and concrete.

The Food and Drug Administration came under fire during a congressional hearing Monday on the F-D-A's ban on a French abortion pill in the United States. Doctors and lawmakers say promising medical research into diseases ranging from breast cancer to AIDS is suffering because of the F-D-A ban. The drug- R-U 486- is used to induce abortion early in a pregnancy.

A Pennsylvania soldier is suing the Army because he does NOT want to be sent to the Middle East as part of Operation Desert Shield. Private Sandy Mysnyk says when he enlisted in 1988, recruiters promised him that he would NOT be

sent overseas because he is an only son. Mysnyk has filed suit in federal court, trying to block his possible orders to be sent to Saudi Arabia.

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(NOV. 20) UPI - The space shuttle Atlantis is scheduled to touch down at Cape Canaveral this afternoon. High winds forced NASA to divert the space plane away from its original planned landing yesterday at Edwards Air Force base in California. Clear skies and light winds are reported at the Florida shuttleport.

President Bush is urging patience regarding the Persian Gulf crisis. He told reporters during a photo session in Paris today that ''all will be well.'' Questions are being raised, however, because Bush and Soviet President Gorbachev apparently still are divided on how to force Iraq to leave Kuwait. Bush and Gorbachev are now scheduled to meet in Moscow in January to sign the START ballistic missile treaty.

Bell Atlantic says it is turning over an eight-story former retirement home in Philadelphia so that about 40 homeless men will have shelter this winter. Bell Atlantic Properties, a subsidiary of the telephone company, is loaning the building to an agency called Project HOME so it can operate this winter while the agency searches for a permanent shelter. Bell Atlantic says it also will pay for heat and other utilities.

C-B-C says it will reduce the compensation it pays to its affiliate stations by 20 percent beginning January 1st. The network says it announced the plan at a meeting with the C-B-S Affiliate Advisory Board today. To lessen the economic impact of the action, the network says it will provide affiliates with additional commercial inventory for local sale. C-B-S is projecting a loss in the fourth quarter of 1990 and 1991 earnings are expected to be even lower.

So much for the legendary clout of Chicago politics. Police say they arrested a man found sleeping in a 1990 Cadillac reported stolen from Dollar Rent-A-Car. The auto carried a city sticker improperly marking it an a municipal vehicle. The suspect told police his alderman had helped him get a job with the rent-a-car firm. But the rental company says the suspect was NOT an employee. The kicker is that the alderman in question was indicted last week on federal charges of influence peddling.

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LONDON (NOV. 20) UPI - Stock prices staged a dramatic surge on the London International Stock Exchange Tuesday before receding from the day's best levels in late trading.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which catapulted 27.9 points Monday, closed up another 19.3 points to 2,115.2. The narrower top 30 industrial average added 19.1 points to 1,667.1.

Volume was estimated at around 519 million shares.

The 100 index was up about 30 points at one point, but some late profit taking cut into the gain as traders awaited voting in the Conservative Party's leadership election, pitting Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher vs. challenger Michael Heseltine, a former defense secretary under her.

Analysts, noting the light volume, said many professional investors were awaiting the outcome of voting by Conservative members of Parliament to decide if Thatcher remains prime minister.

Market watchers said investors were encouraged by hopes the election by the 372 Conservative members of Parliament would produce a decisive turnout rather than forcing a second ballot next week.

Hopes for a cut in British interest rates before the end of year also boosted prices, analysts said.

On the economic front, the Bank of England reported M-0, Britain's narrow money supply measure, rose a provisionally estimated 4 percent in October from a year earlier on a seasonally adjusted basis.

Market forecasters were expecting M-0 to rise 3.9 percent.

Among the most widely traded stocks, recently hard-hit properties and materials groups ended higher.

WPP Group, following Monday's profits warning and worries about the international advertising firm's debt, tumbled $2.18 to $3.11.

Imperial Chemical Industries jumped 36 cents to $16.82 following a ''buy'' recommendation made by brokerage James Capel. British Gas added 12 cents to $4.35 on another brokerage house's ''buy'' recommendation.

Rickitt & Coleman fell 44 cents to $23.85 after the health and household products company was downgraded by UBS-Phillips & Drew.

Thorn EMI gained 14 cents to $12.23.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices eased slightly on thin pre-holiday volume on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. The closely watched German stock index, which surged 41.78 points Monday, slipped 0.17 points to 1, 467.30.

In Paris, stocks also closed slightly lower in thin trading. The CAC- 40 Index slipped 0.50 point to 1,633.15.

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LONDON (NOV. 20) UPI - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's political future was in doubt Tuesday after Michael Heseltine mustered enough votes to force a second ballot on whether she should be ousted as Conservative Party leader.

The second ballot was scheduled for Nov. 27. Thatcher, in Paris for a meeting of European leaders, said she would stand.

''I am naturally very pleased that I got more than half of the parliamentary party votes and disappointed it was not quite enough. I am confirming that I will let my name go forward for the second ballot,'' she told reporters gathered outside the British Embassy.

It is the first threat to unseat Thatcher in her 11 years as prime minister, and the first possible ouster of a standing British leader since Neville Chamberlain stepped aside in 1940 in favor of Winston Churchill.

The leadership contest has brought to the surface a rift in the Conservative Party, particularly over unification with Europe and an unpopular poll tax instituted last year.

''It's a bit like going to the dentist. We're already in the seat and now we just have to grin and bear it while we get our teeth pulled,'' said one representative as he filed into Parliament for the vote.

One MP was willing to admit support for Heseltine. ''I, of course, am hoping to see a change in premiership and good things for Mrs. Thatcher as well. Perhaps an international role ... but it's time for a new leader,'' the MP said.

But many MPs refused to say how they would vote, fearing the wrath of their constituents.

''It's a choice between the leader that has won three consecutive elections and still commands an international reputation, or a charismatic, decisive new face that could perhaps improve our standing in the next election,'' said one MP, refusing to reveal which way he was voting.

Thatcher was the first to take advantage of a change in parliamentary procedure allowing for a leadership challenge by putting a ballot directly to party MPs.

Despite being seen as an outsider by most party members, she ousted Heath in

1975, claiming his 11-year tenure as party leader had been long enough.

Before the rule change demanded by MPs in 1964, changes in party leaders and in the premiership were decided by an inner circle of Conservative heavyweights, so that leaders appeared to emerge mysteriously.

Regardless of the outcome of the contest, Tory MPs said damage has already been done to the party's chances in the next general election, which must be called by the ruling party by mid-1992.

''It's doing us no good at all. Our opponents can't believe their luck,'' Transportation Secretary Cecil Parkinson said.

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BOSTON (NOV. 20) UPI - People who suffer from mental disorders ranging from anxiety to depression are far more likely than others to abuse alcohol or other drugs, scientists said Wednesday.

Interviews conducted with 20,291 people in the general community and in institutions found those with disorders such as phobias and panic attacks were more than twice as likely as those without such disorders to abuse alcohol or other drugs, said Dr. Darrel Regier of the National Institute of Mental Health in Bethesda, Md.

The finding provides ''clear and persuasive evidence that mental disorders must be addressed as a central part of substance abuse prevention efforts'' in the United States, Regier and co-researchers said in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

The reasons for the high rates of co-existing mental problems and substance abuse are unclear, Regier said. Although some studies have suggested that mental disorders precede drug and alcohol dependency, he said there is ''increasing argument'' that certain disorders are the result - not the cause - of substance abuse.

Researchers conducted interviews during a four-year period with adults aged 18 and older in communities in five geographical areas and with occupants of mental institutions, prisons and nursing homes. The scientists recorded the percentage who experienced either mental disorders or substance abuse or both.

Mental disorders were classified into four primary categories: schizophrenia; ''affective'' disorders such as major depression; antisocial personality disorder; and anxiety including phobias and panic disorder.

The study found that among those with any lifetime diagnosis of a mental disorder, 22.3 percent had a history of alcohol abuse, compared with 11

percent of those with no such diagnosis.

For drugs other than alcohol, the comparative risk of addiction among those with mental problems was even greater. Among those with disorder diagnoses, 14.7 percent were classified as ''drug abuse dependent'' compared to only 3.7 percent of those with no mental disorders.

In addition, Rieger said people with a lifetime history of alcoholism were twice as likely as others to suffer from mental disorders and six times more likely to suffer from forms of drug dependency.

Among those with a history of drug abuse, 53 percent had a mental disorder - the highest rate of combined disorders among those studied.

Researchers also found that people in institutions, who make up about 1.3 percent of the population in the United States, were more than twice as likely to suffer some form of mental disorder as others. Altogether, 32.7 percent of the community population studied experienced such a disorder compared to 71.9 percent of those in institutions.

Rieger said knowing that mental disorders and substance abuse frequently go together may help doctors come up with better treatment strategies. Special programs for cocaine abusers who also suffer from mental problems ''have shown substantial promise,'' he said.

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(NOV. 20) UPI - President Bush has put off a decision on whether to seek a U-N resolution for a possible military attack against Iraq. Bush met with Soviet President Gorbachev yesterday in Paris. Gorbachev has urged patience on the matter.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) UPI - The Soviet Union and the United States are cleaning out their attics.

The Soviets returned 6,000 pages of records left behind when the United States closed its embassy at Leningrad during the Russian Revolution, the National Archives said.

Yurly Khomenko, deputy chief of mission of the Soviet Embassy in Washington, presented the records Oct. 31 to William Slany, State Department historian and Trudy Huskamp Peterson, assistant archivist for the National Archives.

The majority of the records are general correspondence files of the consulate for the year 1917.

Particularly noteworthy is a series of March 1917 dispatches titled ''Revolutionary Movement in Petrograd.'' Petrograd was renamed Leningrad after the revolution.

The United States has returned the favor.

In April 1989, U.S. officials turned over the first two boxes of original files of the Imperial Russian Consulates in Chicago, San Francisco, Honolulu, Philadelphia, Portland, Ore. and Seattle.

The archives were created from about 1862 to 1922 and had been in U.S. custody for 55 years.

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BERLIN (NOV. 20) UPI - Former East German Stalinist leader Erich Honecker said in interviews published Tuesday he knew nothing of electoral fraud, was not responsible for the activities of the hated state security police and always opposed persecution of political opponents.

In the interviews, Honecker - who ruled the country along Stalinist lines for 18 years - gave his own version of the events that forced him to resign, Oct. 18, 1989.

He said unnamed ''Soviet authors'' as well as the East German Communist Party's Politburo and central committee were responsible for his fall.

''The path was cleared for total chaos and for all elements ... which were fundamentally not for but against socialism,'' Honecker said.

The remarks, published by the weekly Wochenpost newspaper, are contained in a forthcoming book written by Reinhold Andert and Wolfgangt Herzberg who interviewed Honecker at his new home on a Soviet army base south of Berlin.

Honecker claimed he was unaware of any fraud in East German elections that his Socialist Unity Party won regularly with well over 95 percent of the vote.

''I must openly say that this is a riddle to me,'' he said about the accusations of electoral fraud.

Honecker said he supported political reform but that behind his back a disgraceful game had taken place.

Honecker resigned Oct. 18, 1989, from the Politburo, the highest political body of the Communist Party and the de facto decision-making organ in the country.

The moment he announced his resignation ''to my surprise everybody applauded '' Honecker said.

He denied responsibility for the activities of the hated East German secret police, known as Stasi.

''To develop such a comprehensive system - which evidently appears to have existed - went against all resolutions,'' Honecker said.

The Stasi, which has often been described as a state within a state, had 85000 full-time employees and about 500,000 informers, which would mean that nearly one in every 30 East Germans worked for the organization.

Honecker said he opposed the persecution and imprisonment of young protesters who took to the streets and demonstrated against the authorities.

After his fall from power, Honecker sought refuge in the home of a protestant pastor. But a later attempt to move to a larger house failed because of protests by local citizens.

After he underwent surgery for cancer in December, Honecker was unable to find accommodation and now lives with his wife, Margot, in a bungalow on the Soviet military base in Beelitz.

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MIAMI (NOV. 20) UPI - The Los Angeles Raiders stopped the Miami Dolphins' six-game winning streak by sticking with their game plan.

''We were just going to give it to Marcus (Allen) and Bo (Jackson) and let them run,'' said Raiders quarterback Jay Schroeder, after Jackson rushed for 99 yards and Allen 79 in a 13-10 Los Angeles' victory.

''We knew all week that our offensive line was going to have to play well,'' Schroeder said. ''We just let them come off the ball and play some smash-mouth football. They did a great job.''

The Raiders rushed for 177 yards and controlled the ball for 35:24 to 24:36 for the Dolphins, 8-2. Los Angeles held the Miami running game to 14 yards on

12 carries.

Raiders Coach Art Shell said he did a little exhorting before the game.

''I kind of challenged them a little bit,'' he said. ''I said it was about time for us to take it to the next level as far as intensity is concerned and to play playoff and championship-type football.

''We came out and played the kind of football we're capable of playing: good hard-nosed physical football. And we beat a pretty good football team tonight.''

Allen scored the Raiders' only touchdown by banging up the middle from 2 yards out in the second quarter. Jeff Jaeger kicked a 23-yard field goal in the first quarter, and his 43-yard field goal in the third quarter proved to be the difference.

The Raiders broke a two-game losing streak and improved to 7-3, one game ahead of the Kansas City Chiefs in the AFC West.

''The difference was the Raider running game,'' Dolphins Coach Don Shula said. ''Both backs have great speed, and we also got knocked off the ball.''

The Raiders took a 10-7 halftime lead on Jaeger's first field goal and Marcus Allen's 2-yard run. Miami scored with 31 seconds to go in the half on a 14-yard pass from Dan Marino to Scott Schwedes, a fourth-year wide receiver who was re-signed last week after being cut earlier in the season.

The Dolphins were playing without receivers Mark Clayton and Freddie Banks.

The Raiders made it 13-7 on Jaeger's 43-yard field goal in the third quarter, coming after a drive from the Raiders 28 to the Miami 25.

The Dolphins closed to 13-10 when Pete Stoyanovich booted a 26-yarder with 10:30 left in the game. Stoyanovich's field goal was set up by a 40-yard completion down the right sidelines from Marino to Mark Duper, who caught the ball over cornerback Lionel Washington.

The Raiders looked like they were going to roll over the Dolphins on the ground during their first possession. With Allen carrying the ball on all eight downs, Los Angeles went from its own 48 to the Miami 10. But on fourth-and-1, Allen was stopped by safety Louis Oliver and the Dolphins took over.

On their next possession, the Raiders rolled again with the help of a 25-yard completion from Schroeder to Willie Gault. But again, the Dolphins held, this time on the 6, and Jaeger kicked his 23-yarder.

For the second straight time, the Dolphins went three and out and the Raiders put together a 79-yard, 18-play, nine-minute drive that resulted in Allen's 2-yard touchdown. The Raiders appeared to be stopped on third-and-goal at the 9, but a holding call on Tim McKyer gave the Raiders an automatic first down at the 5.

That's when Marino took over with a seven-play drive from the Dolphin 23 that took only 1:35. Marino opened by hitting Jim Jensen for 18 and 15 yards on consecutive passes up the middle. Then he hit Tony Martin for 14 and Troy Stradford for 11. A holding penalty on Lionel Washington put the ball on the 14 where Marino powered a pass to Schwedes, who made a leaping catch on the 2 and galloped into the end zone.

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BEIJING (NOV. 20) UPI - The government is adopting a basic reforms to streamline balky socialist industries, including allowing agencies to reject state-produced goods they deem unpopular or shoddy, it was reported Tuesday.

The reform would be a sharp departure from the government's near- sacred socialist policy of guaranteeing purchase of virtually all industrial goods and materials coming off state-run production lines, the official China Daily reported.

It clearly aims to squeeze higher quality from stodgy state-run enterprises that for decades have striven to fill official quotas rather than to meet commercial demand for quality products.

''The central government has decided to lose no time to force producers of industrial materials to upgrade technology and train factory executives to follow the market,'' the report said.

China's current economic slowdown offers a good opportunity for phasing in such a quality-control program, the report said, noting that slack demand for industrial output gives government agencies a chance to be ''choosier'' about what they buy.

For example, demand for steel and cement fell sharply during the first nine months of 1990 even as production increased, putting the government in a position to select better-quality commodities.

The report did not raise the idea of scrapping the socialist quota system under which the central government dictates target production levels for large state-owned industries.

The new policy is due to be implemented next year by the Ministry of Materials and Equipment, China's biggest buyer and provider of industrial goods and

supplies.

Under the scheme, government wholesale and distributing agencies would be authorized to ''reject any unpopular or substandard products turned over to them by state-owned enterprises,'' the report said.

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BANGKOK (NOV. 20) UPI - A British company has struck oil in off the coast of Vietnam - the first such discovery announced since Vietnam allowed Western oil companies to return to Vietnam, official Hanoi radio reported.

The radio, in a broadcast Monday, said an oil rig working for Enterprise Oil struck the oil about 80 miles south of the southern coastal town of Vung Tau in 130 feet of water.

''It is estimated that 300 barrels can be obtained per day from this newly discovered well during the trial pumping,'' the report said.

It said the oil was similar in quality to oil from the nearby ''White Tiger'' field discovered by American oil companies during the Vietnam War and now exploited by Vietsov Petro, a Vietnamese-Soviet joint venture.

The radio said Enterprise was studying how best to exploit the deposit and continuing to explore in the area.

Enterprise is one of nine non-Communist oil companies which have signed exploration agreements with Vietnam since May, 1988.

Vietnam, apparently dissatisfied with the quality of Soviet technology and expertise, opened its doors again to foreign oil companies on favorable terms.

U.S. companies, however, have been barred from bidding for exploration rights by the U.S. economic embargo against Vietnam, which began during the Vietnam War.

On Tuesday morning Hanoi radio reported that Vietsov Petro was improving its technology.

It said that during the past 10 months the joint venture has produced 2.2 million tons of crude oil - about 44,220 barrels per day, exceeding plans by about 7 percent.

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(NOV. 20) UPI - John Druce scored his second goal of the game at 2:31 of

overtime Monday night, helping the Washington Capitals break a five-game losing streak with a 3-2 victory over the Detroit Red Wings.

''John has developed into a scorer and now we can count on him when we need to '' said Washington Coach Terry Murray, who was facing his brother, Detroit Coach Bryan Murray, for the second time this season.

Druce won the game for the Capitals when he fired a rising shot while falling to the ice, beating goalie Tim Cheveldae to his right.

''It was through a screen and all you have to do then is get it to the net and hope something happens,'' Bryan Murray said.

Washington goalie Jim Hrivnak was peppered with 43 shots, the most faced by the Capitals this season.

''He was outstanding,'' Bryan Murray said. ''Some nights goaltenders win a game for you. He played on his head.''

Hrivnak's performance was especially pleasing to Terry Murray.

''He really came up big,'' the Capitals' coach said. ''He was coming back from not playing a solid game against Toronto.

''We can't afford soft goaltending. It's his second year of professional hockey and he's really starting to establish himself.''

Detroit, which lost for the sixth time in seven games, rallied from a 2-0 deficit to tie the score with third-period goals from Richard Zombo and Jimmy Carson.

Zombo took Sergei Fedorov's rebound off the boards and blasted a 40- foot slapshot past Hrivnak. Carson picked up his first goal since Oct. 27 when he flicked a 25-foot wrist shot that beat Hrivnak to the right.

Druce gave the Capitals a 2-0 edge at 4:22 of the second period when he deflected in Chris Felix's shot from just inside the blue line.

Hrivnak faced 24 shots in the second. He repeatedly came up with big saves, including stops on Bob Probert and Shawn Burr while he was on his back in the goalcrease.

In other games, Boston trounced Toronto 5-2, the New York Rangers tied Minnesota 2-2 and Calgary clipped Vancouver 6-4.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Bruins 5, Maple Leafs 2

At Toronto, Dave Christian scored a pair of goals, leading Boston. Christian's ninth and 10th goals of the season gave Boston a 12-6-4 record, tops in the Adams Division. The struggling Maple Leafs slipped to 4-18-1, tied for last in the NHL with the Quebec Nordiques.

Canadiens 5, Nordiques 2

At Quebec, Guy Carbonneau scored two goals to help Montreal extend the Nordiques' club-record losing streak to 14 games. Quebec has not won since Oct. 20, a 5-3 victory over the Detroit Red Wings. The Nordiques took a 1-0 lead in the first period on a goal by Tony Hrkac at 1:03. The Canadiens tied the score just over a minute later on a goal by Stephane Lebeau.

Flames 6, Canucks 4

At Vancouver, British Columbia, Sergei Makarov scored two power-play goals and Tim Sweeney scored the go-ahead goal in the third period to lift Calgary.Joe Nieuwendyk also scored for the Flames on the power play, his 14th goal of the year. Calgary is second in the NHL in scoring with the man-advantage.

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(NOV. 20) UPI - With the Milwaukee Bucks losing by 17 points in the second quarter of Monday night's game with the Utah Jazz, it appeared the Bucks were headed for a repeat of last year, when they lost to the Jazz by a combined total of 56 points in the teams' two meetings.

But Bucks' forward Fred Roberts came to the rescue, determined to not let what happened last season occur again.

Roberts scored for 17 of his 19 points in Milwaukee's 48-19 run in a 15:50 stretch in the second and third quarters to lift the Bucks to a 114-104 victoryover the Jazz.

''That's exactly what happened last year - they had the momentum going their way like they did tonight,'' Roberts said. ''Fortunately, we were able to break it up this time.''

Ricky Pierce scored 22 points and Alvin Robertson added 16 along with 10 steals and nine assists to rally the Bucks. Jack Sikma chipped in 20.

Karl Malone paced the Jazz with 24 points and Jeff Malone added 22.

''Freddie came in and all of the sudden the pace picked up,'' said Milwaukee Coach Del Harris, whose team is 5-0 at home.

Roberts credited teammate Robertson's defense with initiating the comeback.

''Alvin created a lot of turnovers and I happened to be at the front end of them,'' said Roberts, who hit 6 of 7 field goals and 7 of 9 free throws. ''It gave us some momentum going into the lockerroom.''

The Bucks took their first lead since the opening minute at 64-63 on Sikma's baseline jumper with 7:13 remaining in the third quarter. Sikma's free throw with 3:51 left put Milwaukee ahead 73-63 and capped a 13-0 run.

Milwaukee, which fell behind by as many as 17, trailed 54-40 with 2:28 left in the half. Roberts then scored the next nine points, helping the Bucks close within 55-51 at halftime.

Said Jazz Coach Jerry Sloan, ''We got into a situation where we lost our energy. Then they pushed their energy level up three or four notches.''

In other games, Philadelphia defeated Charlotte 109-101 and the Los Angeles Lakers defeated Denver 122-105.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

76ers 109, Hornets 101

At Philadelphia, Charles Barkley and Hersey Hawkins scored 31 points each to lead the 76ers. Barkley scored seven points in a 14-0 Philadelphia run that gave the 76ers a 75-58 lead with 6:48 to play in the third quarter and that proved to be the difference in the contest. Charlotte got 22 points from Johnny Newman and 13 each from Dell Curry, Randolph Keys and J.R. Reid.

Lakers 122, Nuggets 105

At Denver, James Worthy scored 25 points and Magic Johnson recorded his third triple-double of the season to lead the Los Angeles Lakers. Johnson, in collecting the 126th triple-double of his career, had 21 points, 10 rebounds and 11 assists. Denver's Orlando Woolridge scored a game-high 30 points.

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(NOV. 20) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	15	6	3	33	95	60
New Jersey	12	9	1	25	80	70

Philadelphia	12	10	1	25	79	74
Washington	11	12	0	22	73	75
Pittsburgh	10	8	2	22	86	72
NY Islanders	8	12	0	16	58	77

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	12	6	4	31	69	64
Montreal	11	9	3	25	71	70
Hartford	8	9	3	19	52	61
Buffalo	7	8	5	19	65	61
Quebec	3	17	3	9	55	100

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	15	6	2	32	80	52
St. Louis	14	5	1	29	72	51
Detroit	8	10	3	19	75	84
Minnesota	4	12	5	13	54	78
Toronto	4	18	1	9	65	112

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	14	4	1	29	84	54
Calgary	13	8	2	28	98	73
Vancouver	10	11	0	20	64	74
Winnipeg	8	12	2	18	72	78
Edmonton	5	11	2	12	51	57

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(NOV. 20) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I...

Several construction trailers, a utility truck and part of a huge crane fell into a 50-foot-deep pit after the giant excavation pit collapsed last night in Washington. Part of a sidewalk also gave way and authorities fear one or more passers-by may be buried in the rubble. Authorities are searching for possible victims.

The shuttle Atlantis was launched behind schedule... and now it's looking at a delay in getting back to Earth. The spaceship's astronauts aborted re-entry yesterday, delaying touchdown at least 24 hours due to winds at the shuttle's California runway. But officials say the shuttle may land in Florida instead.

Conservative lawmakers in Britain's parliament today will cast ballots in a secret vote in which they'll chose between Margaret Thatcher and Michael

Heseltine. The British prime minister's leadership is being challenged by her former defense minister. Both sides voiced optimism on the eve of the vote.

Nicaraguan authorities say former Contra rebel leader Aristedes Sanchez has been sent to Miami for medical treatment... but otherwise had NO comment. However, the rebel leader's wife says Sanchez was arrested last week during disturbances in eastern Nicaragua and was expelled after being tortured.

Reporters will get to hear the real voices of the two men promoted as the group Milli Vanilli at a news conference today. The pop-singing duo was stripped of its 1989 Best New Artist Grammy yesterday... just days after it was revealed the two lip-synched their way through an album and live concerts.

The controversy has resulted in a lawuit in Oakland, California, where a woman is suing the group. Sheila Stalder says her 14-year-old son and other Milli Vanilli fans were defrauded by the musicians and their managers. Stalder calls it ''a fake foisted upon unsuspecting consumers.''

The Arizona Legislature has voted to hold the state's first-ever runoff gubernatorial election February 26th. The state legislature was called into special session yesterday to set a date for the contest between Republican Fife Symington and Democrat Terry Goddard. A write-in candidate prevented either from winning a majority of votes cast earlier this month.

The chairman of the House Narcotics Committee is criticizing a National Football League decision. New York Democratic congressman Charles Rangel says the N-F-L move to allow Dexter Manley to return to football one year after he was suspended for drug abuse sends the wrong message to young Americans.

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BERLIN (NOV. 20) UPI - The number of Soviet citizens and army defectors seeking asylum in Germany has doubled in the past four months, a Berlin newspaper reported Tuesday amid reports of growing discontent in the barracks and increasing assaults against Soviet soldiers.

In July there were 219 Soviet applications for political asylum lodged with German authorities, rising to about 400 in September and October, the Berlin Morgenpost said.

Of the 1,791 Soviet citizens who have applied for political asylum in Germany this year, 59 are soldiers who deserted from Soviet forces stationed in former East Germany.

There are about 380,000 Soviet troops still stationed in eastern Germany but under a German-Soviet agreement they will be withdrawn by 1994.

According to experts cited in the report, the increase is due to the Oct. 3 unification of both Germanys that has provided new incentives for Soviet soldiers and civilian employees to seek asylum in the five new eastern German states.

A further increase in the number of Soviet applicants for asylum in Germany is expected when new Soviet travel regulations give Soviet citizens freedom to travel to the west.

Many Soviet soldiers have complained of conditions in the barracks in eastern Germany and say they are regularly insulted and even assaulted by Germans when they walk the streets in uniform.

A poison gas grenade was recently thrown at a Soviet military housing compound in the eastern German town of Leipzig; in Weimar a group of right-wing extremists beat up Soviet soldiers and in Cottbus an unknown sniper shot at a Soviet guard.

Soviet Military Prosecutor Oleg Filipenko admitted Monday that the mood in the barracks is glum. He apologized for an incident in which an apparently love-sick Soviet soldier charged down West Berlin's famous Kurfuestendamm boulevard in an armored personnel carrier.

The soldier was arrested by German police after smashing several automobiles with the heavy military vehicle.

The Express daily claimed Tuesday that ''terror is mounting within the troops. Simple soldiers are scared. They are kicked, beaten up, blackmailed ...'' by their superiors.

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DALLAS (NOV. 20) UPI - A California leasing agent testified Tuesday that thrift king Don Dixon paid five times too much for a posh corporate beachfront home which prosecutors say was devoted largely to ''sex parties.''

''There is no way you can justify what was paid, even under the most optimistic circumstances,'' said Lori Goetz, a leasing agent testifying as a prosecution witness.

The home, located in Solana Beach, Calif., should have leased for $3, 000 to $3,500 a month during the mid-1980s when Dixon arranged payments, she testified.

Instead, Dixon paid between $13,000 to $15,000 a month in a complicated arrangement in which tax benefits were swapped with the home's owner and the entire package was subsidized through loans furnished by Dixon's thrift,

Vernon Savings and Loan.

In a 38-count indictment, Dixon is accused of illegally filtering expenses used for prostitutes, politicians and high living through Vernon corporate accounts. When Vernon failed in 1987, taxpayers were socked with $1.3 billion in losses.

Goetz said she examined dozens of properties in the area and multiple listings going back to 1986.

Her initial estimate on the home was for $3,000 a month, but ''because there were two executive suites which technically could be shared by two families I added an extra four or five hundred dollars,'' she said. ''But I couldn't go any higher.''

Under cross-examination, Goetz admitted that the home deal was not a conventional leasing arrangment, but involved tax and business considerations.

''Whatever you want to call it,'' she noted in response, ''that home should never have cost anybody $15,000 a month. That's outrageous.''

In testimony Monday, the home's owner, Rose Van Boxtel, said she was convinced of the legality of the Vernon contract.

''(Dixon) seemed to have all these credible people around him,'' she said. ''He even knew the bishop of San Diego and (Dixon) wasn't even Catholic.''

Dixon contributed heavily to local Roman Catholic charities and as a result was granted an audience with the pope, during which he presented a thrift-owned oil painting valued at $40,000. The government has not sought to reclaim the art now hanging in the Vatican.

Van Boxtel said she made the deal in 1981. Vernon promised to make lease payments for a period of at least seven years and eventually buy the home for $1 million. Dixon also promised Van Boxtel discount rates on 13 condominiums he owned in the Dallas area.

She testified that Dixon persuaded her to sign three, increasingly large loans on the house from banks and companies owned by associates.

''We liked and trusted Don,'' she said. ''We had no idea that he would try to defraud us.''

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(NOV. 20) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Sacramento at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Houston at New York, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Orlando at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

Winnipeg at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Chicago at Edmonton, 9:35 p.m.
New Jersey at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 20) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as were unavailable Tuesday due do computer difficulties.

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#90324u0206 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 20) UPI - President Bush's failure to gain Soviet support for a U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force in the Persian Gulf crisis drove oil prices down more than $1 a barrel in early afternoon trading Tuesday.

Bush's failure to gain support from Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in their Paris meeting "was acting as a damper on prices," said Ann-Louise Hittle senior oil analyst with Shearson Lehman Brothers in New York.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for January delivery was down $1.57 in early afternoon trading Tuesday to $29.15 a barrel after breaking through the psychologicaly important $30-a-barrel level.

It was the first day of trading the January delivery contract as the exchange's spot-month contract. The December contract expired Monday. December WTI had been expected to fall to about $27 a barrel because of ample world crude supplies. Instead, it shot up $1.72 from Friday to $31.50 a barrel on Iraq's decision to increase its force in occupied Kuwait by 250,000 troops.

Nauman Barakat, vice president of New York's Merrill Lynch Futures Inc., said the market over-reacted to "relatively insignificant news" and was compensating to some extent Tuesday. Barakat also said a source trading with

Iran had told him the Iranians were "sitting on" 35 million barrels of excess crude and starting to reduce their prices to more competitive levels.

The $30 a-barrel support level was "reasonably important," said Peter Beutel of the Pegasus Econometrics Group in Hoboken, N.J. Beutel said Merc volume was "pre-Thanksgiving light trading." He looked for some support from the weekly report of the American Petroleum Institute later Tuesday, which he believed would show U.S. crude supplies last week fell 2.5 million to four million barrels.

On the Merc, unleaded gasoline for December delivery was down in early afternoon trading 1.61 cents at 78.75 cents a gallon, while December home heating oil had lost 1.96 cents from Monday to 84.80 cents a gallon.

On the European spot market, where crude is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent was down 76 cents at midday to $30.07 a barrel.

United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light for January delivery - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - had fallen 60 cents from Monday to $25.35 a barrel.

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OMAHA (NOV. 20) UPI - Livestock:

Editors

Tuesday's livestock report was unavailable because of computer difficulties.
UPI-Omaha

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#90324u0277 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
IVREA, ITALY (NOV. 20) UPI - Olivetti workers staged strikes across the nation Tuesday to protest the company's plans to trim 7,000 employees, including 4,000 in Italy, from its global work force.

The multinational headed by Italian industrialist Carlo De Benedetti annnounced the layoffs Nov. 14 as part of a "strategic reconstruction" forced by a worldwide downturn of computer sales. The layoffs were to take effect starting next January.

To soften the blow, Olivetti management said it was asking the government to pass a law permitting the company to grant employees early retirement, under which men could take pensions at the age of 50 and women at 47. But Labor Minister Carlo Donat Cattin has said the cost of the early retirement plan was

more than Italy's state insurance system could afford.

Strikes lasting three to four hours took place at various Olivetti facilities in Italy, where nearly half the electronic giant's work force of roughly 57,000 are employed.

Officials of three metalworkers unions said a three-hour work stoppage staged at Olivetti's main plants in Ivrea, near Turin, was supported by 90 percent of 12,000 local employees. But Olivetti management said only 40 percent obeyed the strike call.

Some 9,000 protesters, including many students and some mayors of small towns in the Ivrea area, took part in a street demonstration in Ivrea. Union leaders said the strike action would be repeated Wednesday. De Benedetti said recently there would be "no margin for negotiation" in the company's plan to reduce the size of the work force by 7,000.

Union leader Giorgio Cremaschi accused Olivetti's management Tuesday of "having remained asleep in research for new forms of productivity, instead favoring short-term profits." He said a showdown with the company could not take place until planned negotiations with Labor Minister Donat Cattin have been held.

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DETROIT (NOV. 20) UPI - Honda of America Mfg. Inc. said Tuesday employees at its assembly and engine plants in Ohio received an average $1,712 per worker in profit sharing checks, up slightly from year-ago payouts.

The payments last week to Honda's 9,400 "associates" - which include non-union workers as well as management - is expected to be the highest in the industry, given the dismal financial performance posted so far this year by the nation's Big Three automakers.

Those results - which include a $2.1 billion loss for the third quarter alone - will mostly likely result in no profit sharing this year for unionized workers at General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co., and Chrysler Corp.

Honda's latest profit sharing, based on fiscal 1990 earnings, is based on three numbers: worldwide net income before taxes, the number of employees worldwide, and the number of employees at Honda of America Mfg., said Jeff Leestma, a spokesman for Honda North America in Detroit. "That formula is the same for everyone," he said.

Payouts by GM, Ford and Chrysler are done under a complicated formula negotiated by the United Auto Workers union for its members, and are based on U.S. automotive profits alone.

Among traditional U.S. carmakers, Ford workers have reaped the most in profit sharing checks, with the typical payout averaging a record $3,700 per worker for 1987. But that figure slipped to $2,800 for 1988, and to $1,025 for 1989. GM workers received no profit sharing checks in 1987, with minimal payouts for 1988 and 1989.

While there is little probability Big Three workers will stand to get any profit sharing for 1990, the UAW renegotiated in its latest contracts a new formula that could increase any potential payout.

A UAW spokesman defended the union's payouts, telling Ward's Automotive Reports, a weekly industry newsletter, that Honda workers still earn less than their counterparts at the Big Three.

"They're still behind economically," he said. "That $14.75 wage rate (at Honda) is what (UAW members) were making at the end of our agreement. In the new agreement, the average base wage is $16.11 for an assember at GM. "Most importantly, we have a contract, which guarantees workers certain rights on the job," the union spokesman said.

However, Honda has never laid off workers at its Ohio plants since it began making motorcycles in 1979 and cars in 1982, Leestma said. Honda's Ohio operations include car and motorcycle plants in Marysville, a car plant in East Liberty, and an engine plant in Anna.

The UAW attempted to unionize Honda's U.S. operations in 1985. In 1989, workers at Nissan's Smyrna, Tenn., plant voted to remain non- unionized, dealing the UAW a major blow in its efforts to organize "transplant" automakers, or Asian carmakers with U.S. operations.

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SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (NOV. 20) UPI - A judge formally charged a Salvadoran colonel and eight other members of the Salvadoran military Tuesday with committing acts of terrorism in connection with last year's slaying of six Jesuit priests, a court spokesman said.

''The judge has added new charges in addition to murder,'' Supreme Court spokesman Mario Gonzalez said. ''The judge decreed the soldiers' detention in the Jesuit case on charges of acts of terrorism and conspiracy to commit acts of terrorism.''

Col. Guillermo Benavides and seven others have been in jail since January on provisional murder charges. The ninth soldier is a fugitive.

Gonzalez said the new charges would ''make it easier to establish the

responsibility of all those involved'' in the killings.

Court sources have said much of the evidence against Benavides is inadmissible in court. Three lieutenants who participated in the killing told police investigators they acted under orders from Benavides, but according to Salvadoran law co-defendents cannot testify.

Gonzalez said the judge based the terrorism charges on testimony from top military commanders who said Benavides was in charge of the troops who carried out the killings.

The slain Jesuits were among El Salvador's most respected leftist intellectuals and their murder by members of the Salvadoran army prompted a vote in the U.S. Congress to withhold military aid to the Central American country.

Only half of the $85 million requested for El Salvador by the Bush administration will be sent in 1991 unless rebels carry out military action that threatens the government.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 20) UPI - It was a lower day across the board for grains and beans at the Chicago Board of Trade, and a sharply lower day for beans.

The entire soy complex was at session lows with selling continuing because of disappointment that there's been no U.S. offer of food aid or a credit package to the USSR. Hope of such an offer dimmed further when Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev said he would not support a U.S. plan in favor of a UN resolution to authorize using military might to drive Iraq out of Kuwait.

The November contract was especially weak before it expired at noon. The November through August contracts suffered at least 11-cent losses.

Active local, professional and commercial selling took corn to session lows. Spillover pressure from the losses suffered by beans and wheat played a part in the losses for corn.

Wheat set contract lows, with professional selling a feature in thin volume.

Exporters said Morocco and Jordan would seek offers for a total of 300,000 tons of U.S. wheat and Norway overnight had bought 50,000 tons of soybeans.

The USDA reported heavy rain had caused planting delays in Argentina and Brazil.

At the close, beans were off 6 1/2 to 12, corn was off 3 1/4 to 5 3/4, wheat

was off 6 to 8 1/2 and oats were off 2 to 3 1/4.

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(NOV. 20) UPI - The White House says President Bush and Soviet President Gorbachev have reached a ''conceptual agreement'' on the possible use of force in the Persian Gulf. It appears Gorbachev is NOT embracing the option as strongly as Bush would like.

The two leaders met yesterday in Paris at a multi-nation arms conference. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says Bush didN'T specifically ask Gorbachev about supporting a U-N resolution for military force, but that the two discussed under what circumstances one might be sought.

Authorities in Washington, D-C, have called off the search for possible victims in the collapse of a giant excavation pit four blocks from the White House. Authorities say that after a six-hour search they're reasonably certain NO one was trapped in the rubble.

The walls of the 50-foot-deep construction pit gave way last night... swallowing three construction trailers, a large crane and part of an alley. Firefighters probed the heaps of dirt and steel with special heat-seeking equipment, but turned up no sign of anyone.

A government report warns the arms race is speeding up in the Third World at a time when the superpowers are disarming and cutting back their conventional and strategic forces. The U-S Arms Control and Disarmament Agency says Iraq and Iran were the largest purchasers of arms in 1988.

The forecast calls for more high winds today at the shuttle Atlantis's primary landing site in California's Mojave Desert. High winds yesterday forced the astronauts to abort landing and they're hoping to make another attempt this afternoon.

The pop-singing duo Milli Vanilli say they'll announce their future plans today at a news conference. The dreadlocked performers yesterday was stripped of the Grammy they won for Best New Artist of 1989 after admitting they lip-synched on their debut album, in music videos and during live concerts.

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(NOV. 20) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period Year Earlier

Dollar General Corp (3rd Q 10-31)

$164,570,000 $145,617,000
$2,765,000 (.15) $2,759,000 (.15)

Duramed Pharmaceuticals (3rd Q 9-30)
$7,182,000 $6,554,000
d-$2,923,000 d-$866,000
d-Deficit.

Genesco Inc (3rd Q 10-31)
$118,645,000 $127,989,000
ad-$337,000 $5,423,000 (.23)
ad-Deficit, includes one-time charge of $1.3 million, or six cents per share, for the establishment of reserves.

Methode Electronics (2nd Q 10-31)
$42,984,000 $33,237,000
$2,272,000 (.20) $1,088,000 (.10)

PHH Corp (2nd Q 10-31)
$501,791,000 $469,184,000
$10,516,000 (.62) $11,552,000 (.68)

Salant Corp (3rd Q 9-29)
$135,992,000 $142,706,000
$7,174,000 (2.07) $3,963,000 (.99)

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put nxf md to icb ihm xra nnx NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 4 points higher to 8 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.75	9.84	9.72	9.77	9.85
May	9.78	9.84	9.74	9.79	9.83
Jly	9.79	9.85	9.75	9.82	9.84
Oct	9.77	9.83	9.75	9.81	9.83
Mar	9.90	9.90	9.90	9.90	9.86

Estimated sales: 7,979 contracts
Open interest: 107,869 off 1,118
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.84

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 1 point higher to 4 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev

Jan	23.17	23.18	23.12	23.18	23.18
Mar	23.10	23.15	23.10	23.14	23.15
May	23.20	23.25	23.17	23.17	23.21
Jly	23.20	23.25	23.17	23.17	23.21
Sep	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.15	23.15
Nov	22.95	....	....	23.04	23.03
Jan	23.10	....	....	23.01	23.01

Estimated sales: 260 contracts
Open interest: 11,781 up 17

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) UPI - Late in the first day of the Keating Five influence-peddling hearings before the Senate ethics committee, panel special counsel Robert Bennett, the target of sniping from lawyers representing the accused senators, turned in frustration to the committee chairman.

''Mr. Bennett, you're not on trial here,'' Sen. Howell Heflin, D- Ala., assured the stocky, bulldog of a lawyer.

''I'm glad you said that,'' Bennett responded with a laugh.

Heflin was wrong.

The three senators painted as most deeply involved with indicted savings and loan kingpin Charles Keating Jr. - Sens. Alan Cranston, D- Calif., Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich. - are seeking to put Bennett on trial, hoping to convince the six members of the ethics committee that Bennett has trumped up claims against them in an effort to enhance his own reputation as senator-killer. And the threesome has sought to shift attention from themselves and onto Bennett with a vengeance.

''He wants a victory,'' DeConcini said. ''He wants another trophy on the wall as someone who has represented the committee and been able to nail up another senator for ethical misconduct.''

The three senators believe Bennett is overstepping his authority as the committee's special counsel - a sort of fact-finding lawyer - and has become the equivalent of a criminal prosecutor. Bennett's adversarial style and painfully direct approach in laying out his case rubbed the senators and their lawyers all wrong.

Bennett, a partner in a prestigious Washington law firm, is well- experienced in Senate ethics probes. He led the Senate's ethics investigation of Sen. David Durenberger, R-Minn., which resulted in the Senate denouncing the senator in July. He also spearheaded the panel's investigation into Sen. Harrison Williams' activities in the Abscam scandal, which led to the

senator's resignation.

The fact that his opponents find him abrasive, perhaps, should be no surprise considering his family ties. The same has been said of his brother, William Bennett, who recently resigned as President Bush's drug policy chief and is in line to become the new chairman of the Republican National Committee.

DeConcini cautioned, ''I don't raise Mr. Bennett and his conduct as any defense or smokescreen.'' But Bennett said that's exactly what the three senators are seeking to do.

''I have swum in Senate legal waters for a long time, like a fat old brown trout in Yellowstone River,'' Bennett told the committee. ''I'm not going to rise to that artificial fly (of shifting the attention in the case to a lawyer rather than the issue at hand).''

''The issue in this case is not me,'' he said. ''It is not Common Cause (the citizens lobbying group that brought the complaint against the five senators). The issue in this case is the conduct of the senators. That is what brought them here.''

Riegle said Bennett had concocted a case against the Keating Five by selectively arranging the evidence. The senators are accused of improperly exerting pressure on banking regulations on behalf of Keating, who gave some $1.3 million to the five senators' re-election campaigns and other favorite causes.

Cranston pointed out that Bennett's yearlong inquiry has ''cost millions of dollars of your tax money - and mine - and they have found no violations of any laws or rules.''

Addressing the three Democrats and three Republicans sitting on the committee, Cranston said Bennett ''would like you to judge me and four other United States senators on the basis of rules that have never been written and standards that have never been applied.''

Bennett has asked the committee to decide whether the five senators broke Senate rules on conflict of interest and brought discredit upon the institution.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold

London

Previous close 379.75 up 3.25

Morning fixing	379.50 off 0.25
Afternoon fixing	380.00 up 0.25
Close	378.00 off 1.75
Paris	381.72 up 3.05
Zurich	377.50 off 1.50
Hong Kong	380.50 up 1.50
New York	
Comex spot close	377.60 off 3.80
Republic cash	378.25 off 3.50
Handy and Harman	380.00 up 2.20

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 381.30 up 2.21 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 400.37 up 2.33 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.11 off 0.03
Republic cash	4.115 off 0.03

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.105 per fine ounce off 0.055

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.125 off 0.05 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.414 off 0.053

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 418.50 off 1.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 518.50 off 1.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 93.50 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 108.50 off 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - All the major players acted in character Tuesday when the Evander Holyfield-George Foreman April 19 heavyweight championship bout was officially announced.

Foreman, a former champion, boasted he would stop Holyfield in two rounds to become the oldest and one of the heaviest heavyweight champions in history.

Champion Holyfield spoke matter-of-factly of how he had nothing to gain from the bout but a $20 million payday and already looked ahead to a fight with Mike Tyson.

Promoters Dan Duva and Bob Arum and casino owner Donald Trump, who will host

the fight at his Atlantic City, N.J., Trump Plaza, gushed about how great an event they will put on.

''Folks are going to see the oldest heavyweight champion of the world,'' said Foreman, who turns 43 in January. ''It's my destiny to be the oldest heavyweight champion of the world.''

And one of the fattest. Foreman, who has weighed over 250 for nearly all of his 24 comeback fights, was interrupted during the news conference at a Manhattan hotel by a room service order of hamburgers and a whole turkey.

''The title belt ain't going to fit me, but I'll tape it around my waist,'' Foreman said.

''I'll win in two rounds - one for the show, and two he must go. Then I'm going to stand by my mail box and wait for my social security check. I want to be the first heavyweight champion on social security.''

Foreman entered the room to the tune of ''Happy Days Are Hear Again'' with an entourage of senior citizens carrying signs saying ''Life Begins at 40,'' ''Respect Your Elders,'' ''Over The Hill'' and ''Eat Em Up George.''

''I don't think this is a circus,'' Foreman said later. ''I don't think I'm playing.''

Holyfield, 28, entered the room surrounded by children. Holyfield, who took the title with a third-round knockout of Buster Douglas Oct. 25, was all business as usual but admitted he finds Foreman funny.

''It's amusing,'' Holyfield said. ''He's a man with a lot of confidence. You use what you have, and George is a heavy man.''

Holyfield, a 4-1 favorite, has a lot of confidence as well. He knows Foreman's $12.5 million payday will be earned more for his personality than fighting ability.

''I'm in almost a no-win situation,'' Holyfield said. ''If I win, they'll say he's too old and too heavy. But it's something the public wants to see.

''Mike Tyson will be my next opponent,'' he said of another fight the public wants. ''I know he deserves it. I respect Mike Tyson as a past heavyweight champion and for what he means to the sport.''

Foreman means ticket sales, and Trump Plaza officials project a sellout of the 20,000-plus seat Convention Center with tickets ranging from $100 to $1,000. The fight will be televised on pay-per-view and closed circuit.

''This is the most exciting promotion, the most exciting event, in the history

of sports,'' gushed Duva, saying nothing about an exciting fight.

Foreman adds the excitement. Arum, brought into the promotion at Foreman's insistence, says the former champion learned about hyping a fight from the man who took the title from him 16 years ago.

''His name is George Foreman, he looks like George Foreman, but he talks like Muhammad Ali,'' Arum said. ''Evander's a nice guy, he's good for boxing, but this is Foreman's fight.''

Foreman, acting like a promoter, offered a name for the fight. He thought he could do better than Duva's ''Battle of the Ages.'' Foreman came up with ''The Big Bump Put On By Donald Trump.''

Lou Duva, father of the promoter and trainer of the champion, offered his own tag. He called it, ''The Real Deal (Holfyield's nickname) Against The Big Meal.''

Holyfield, of Atlanta, is 25-0 with 21 knockouts. Foreman, of Houston, is 69-2 with 65 knockouts. He won the heavyweight title with aknockout of Joe Frazier in 1973, and lost it to Ali in Zaire the following year.

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(NOV. 20) UPI - Heavy snow fell throughout the Rockies and the peaks of the Northwest Tuesday and motorists traversing mountain passes were warned of dangerous driving conditions with icy and snow-packed roads.

Snow fell from the plateau of Arizona, across Nevada, Colorado and Wyoming into Montana, the National Weather Service said. Another cold front frosted the mountains of Washington, Oregon and Idaho with a layer of heavy snow.

From 8 to 12 inches of snow were expected by daybreak above 3,000 feet in the Cascade Mountains of Washington and Oregon, the NWS said. Advisories were posted for up to a foot of snow by Wednesday morning in the Colorado Rockies.

Similar snow advisories were issued for Nevada, Wyoming, Idaho and Montana.

Rainshowers lingered over eastern New England with snow and sleet and freezing rain over northern Maine.

Dry weather prevailed across the rest of the nation with fair skies in the south central and southeast.

Early morning temperatures were in the 30s and 40s across much of the northern half of the nation; the 50s in the central Plains, Middle Atlantic region, and Southern California; and the 60s along the Gulf coast and Florida.

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#90324u0368 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Roger Clemens was suspended for the first five games of the 1991 season and fined $10,000 by American League President Bobby Brown Tuesday for the Boston pitcher's behavior during Game 4 of the league playoffs.

With Oakland leading the Red Sox 3-0 in games, Clemens was Boston's Game 4 starter but was ejected by home plate umpire Terry Cooney after arguing a call. Clemens charged Cooney after the ejection and was restrained by teammates. The Oakland Athletics won the game to complete a sweep of the series.

According to a statement released by the league office, Clemens was disciplined ''for making significant physical contact with an umpire (Jim Evans), for threatening umpire Cooney, for verbally abusing umpire Cooney with personal obscenities and for not leaving the dugout immediately after the ejection.''

Clemens can appeal the fine and suspension.

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(NOV. 20) UPI - Soviet President Gorbachev apparently isn't embracing the option of military force in the Persian Gulf as strongly as President Bush would like. The White House announced after the two leaders met yesterday in Paris amid mounting signs of disagreement that they have reached a ''conceptual agreement'' on the possible use of force to solve the Gulf crisis. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said- quoting- ''There are still people we need to talk to they want to talk to ... so we simply have NOT reached the point of decision yet.''

The collapse of a giant excavation pit four blocks from the White House last night disrupted downtown subway service and forced the evacuation of several buildings. The cave-in of the 50-foot-deep pit swallowed trees, the sidewalk, three construction trailers, a large crane and part of an alley. No injuries were reported. Authorities conducted a six-hour search for possible victims, but found no one.

The Soviet news agency Tass reports that President Bush and Soviet President Gorbachev will hold their fourth superpower summit early next year in Moscow. Tass gave NO date for the summit, but says it was agreed that Bush will pay an official visit to the Soviet Union at the beginning of the year. Tass issued the dispatch from Paris, where Bush and Gorbachev held talks last night at the 34-nation European summit.

Police in Athens, Greece, say a Greek oil businessman escaped assassination early today when a parked car loaded with explosives blew up as his vehicle drove past. Police say the owner of the Corinth Refineries, the largest in Greece, was being driven to work in a suburb about 12 miles north of Athens when the carbomb was detonated by remorte control. NO one was injured in the blast and NO one has immediately claimed responsibility for the attack.

An Israeli army spokesman says one Israeli soldier and at least four guerrillas were killed in southern Lebanon late yesterday in a clash north of Israel's self-declared ''security zone.'' The spokesman says Israeli troops encountered the guerrillas in a mountainous area while carrying out- quote ''an initiated activity on the eastern front.'' The spokesman says the Israelis opened fire, killing four gunmen and possibly a fifth. One Israeli officer was killed.

The top three best places in the world to live are Melbourne, Australia, Montreal and Seattle-Tacoma, Washington. That's according to a study released by the Population Crisis Committee. Atlanta ranks fourth and Essen-Dortmund-Duisburg, Germany, was fifth. The cities were rated according to living conditions- including murder rate, food expense, living space, access to utilities, communciations, education, infant mortality, air quality, noise pollution and traffic congestion.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) UPI - About 100 feet of sidewalk collapsed Tuesday into a site four blocks from the White House where a building foundation at a construction site caved in Monday night.

Concrete and pavement along the western side of the construction site adjacent to the United Press International building toppled into the pit about midafternoon as workers moved a construction trailer and part of a wood-covered sidewalk from the scene of Monday's collapse.

''It was going to go anyway,'' said assistant fire chief Thomas McCaffrey.

McCaffrey said construction and fire crews were especially concerned about the danger of failure along the southeast corner of the UPI building, where a 90-foot pylon supporting the building was exposed in the initial collapse.

''We've got structural engineers in there now, assessing the situation,'' he said.

Janet McCormick, a spokeswoman with the District of Columbia Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, said officials have no idea when workers can return to the 12-story UPI building. She said recovery workers are in a ''holding pattern,'' awaiting a complete assessment of the situation.

The second collapse occurred on the H street side of the site at the corner of 14th and H streets.

Crews worked Tuesday to fill in the giant hole left by the collapse Monday night four blocks from the White House in the city's business district. No one was injured in the collapse, and no one appeared to have been trapped in the rubble.

The walls of the 50-foot-deep construction pit, which occupied one- quarter of a city block, gave way, swallowing three construction trailers, a large crane and much of the alley separating the excavation site from the UPI building.

Police closed one entrance to a subway station under the UPI building, blocked off surrounding streets and evacuated nearby office building, includingthe one where the wire service's world headquarters is located.

''If I'd been there, I'd be dead,'' said a street person named Ray, who frequents the street corner at the site.

''It was like an earthquake! It was unbelievable!'' said Arnel Morris, a pedestrian who was crossing the street when the collapse occurred. ''Everything - the sidewalk, the trees - fell into the hole.''

The building was in the early stages of construction, with only its concrete foundation and some girders in place. Trucks poured dirt into the crater to ensure the safety of nearby streets and other buildings.

''They're filling the hole to provide support to the surrounding structure,'' said Charles Culver, director of construction and engineering for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

The cause of the collapse had not been determined, Culver said, adding he ''wouldn't want even to speculate at this time as to the cause,'' Culver said.

Culver said once the hole is filled with dirt, crews would check the nearby UPI building and other structures would be shored up before a re- excavation could begin.

Culver said investigators would test materials used on the construction site and study written and photographic records of the construction.

Bystanders said the collapse was accompanied by an explosive roar, a hail of sparks and billowing smoke that shot out of the pit for several minutes. Fire officials said the fireworks apparently were caused by a short-circuiting electrical transformer at the site.

''It was real scary because it looked like something could blow up any second

'' one passerby said.

Because of the evacuation, UPI was forced to move operations to its business office in suburban Vienna, Va., while its Los Angeles bureau temporarily took over the task for running the wire service.

A construction worker died in the collapse of an abandoned parking garage under demolition at the same site on Dec. 31, 1989.

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(NOV. 20) UPI - George Bush on Thanksgiving Day will become the first American president to set foot in a potential war zone since Richard Nixon ventured into Vietnam in the summer of 1969.

Accompanied by Barbara Bush and an army of Secret Service agents, Bush will make three visits within seven hours with U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, many stationed near the border of Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

''I honestly wouldn't go if I thought it wasn't safe,'' said Mrs. Bush, who will have turkey dinner with the president and soldiers while seated on sandbags.

''We'd rather be home for Thanksgiving, but then so would 200,000 other people '' the first lady said. ''We want them to know we care about them.''

Lyndon Johnson and Richard Nixon were the last presidents to enter a combat area, both daring to do so for a few hours in Southeast Asia during the height of the Vietnam War.

A fiery Johnson went there on Oct. 26, 1966, and again on Dec. 23, 1967. He exhorted the troops to fight on in the highly unpopular war that eventually drove him from office.

David Rosso, 47, remembers LBJ's first visit. He was there at Cam Ranh Bay Air Base as a 23-year-old Air Force sergeant.

''Johnson was dressed in khakis. He rode standing up in an open jeep. I was able to grab his hand as he passed by,'' said Rosso, now of Manassas, Va. ''I don't remember what he said. But he had a smile on his face. We all cheered.''

Compared to Johnson, Nixon was almost shy on his visit to with the troops.

''He didn't even ask how the war was going,'' recalls UPI White House correspondent Helen Thomas, who accompanied Nixon. ''He asked them where they were from - and if they liked baseball. He appeared uncomfortable, awkward.''

Bush plans to use his visit to celebrate Thanksgiving with the troops and to try to rally public and congressional support for his policies in the Persian Gulf.

The visit will be televised back to the United States and cap a week- long presidential trip to Europe and the Middle East. Johnson and Nixon made their visits to South Vietnam during around-the-world trips.

Unlike Bush, who announced his plans weeks ago, the public didn't learn that Johnson and Nixon were headed to the jungles of Southeast Asia until just hours before they arrived.

The two former presidents kept their plans under wraps for security reasons. The current White House has also cited security in keeping secret some of the details of Bush's trip.

A Secret Service spokesman would only say, ''We will take whatever steps are necessary to ensure the safety of the president, and we will do so with whoever is necessary.''

''I don't think it'll be dangerous,'' said Hamilton Brown, a retired Secret Service agent who was assigned to the White House in the Johnson and early Nixon years.

''The president will be surrounded by 200,00 American troops,'' said Brown. ''If they can't protect him, no one can.''

Brown said Bush's trip last winter to cocaine-ravaged Colombia for a four-nation drug summit likely carried more risks. There had been reports that drug lords would seek to assassinate him, but nothing came of it.

The former Secret Service agent noted that although Saddam Hussein has increased troop levels in Kuwait, the Iraqi leader has appeared in recent weeks to push for a negotiated settlement.

''He doesn't want to pick a fight with George Bush,'' Brown said. ''Heck, if they fired the first shot, they'd glow in the dark for the next 100 years.''

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BEIJING (NOV. 20) UPI - Volkswagen AG and China's First Automobile Works signed a $807 million joint venture agreement Tuesday, pledging to produce 150,000 locally manufactured Golf cars by 1996.

China welcomed the deal as a ''major project'' in its new economic blueprint.

Work on the new venture between the giant German automaker and China's oldest

auto company is slated to begin next year in the city of Changchun in northeast Jilin province.

In addition to automobile production, the newly created FAW- Volkswagen Automobile Company is planning an engine plant with an annual capacity of 270,000 engines, Volkswagen AG representatives said at a news briefing.

China described the agreement in a press release as the largest in the country and a ''major project'' in its new five-year state economic plan, which is expected to be announced by the end of the year.

A final draft of the plan was originally expected earlier this fall, but the blueprint has been held up by bickering among leadership over the nature and pace of China's economic reforms.

Official statements Tuesday praised Sino-German auto production as ''the first step towards the target of stopping importation,'' a key goal in China's continuing economic austerity program.

Volkswagen AG Chairman Carl Hahn and Chinese counterpart Geng Zhaojie, president of the First Automobile Works, were optimistic but vague about the venture's ambitious goals.

Neither side would give the estimated price of the Chinese-made Golfs, of which 90 percent of the parts are to be of local manufacture. Hahn said only that the cars would cost less than VW Santanas currently produced in Shanghai.

The locally produced Santanas currently sell for $27,000 in China.

Volkswagen produced the Santana, its first car in China, in 1983. In 1988 VW began production of the Audi 100 with the First Automobile Works in Changchun, built with Soviet assistance in 1956 as China's first large-scale auto plant.

The Golfs will roll out of a U.S.-built factory that has already been purchased and partially shipped to Changchun, FAW representatives said.

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OTTAWA (NOV. 20) UPI - The Canadian government said Tuesday it wants to phase in a proposed open-skies agreement with the United States that will create a single North American market for air travel.

Transportation Minister Doug Lewis, who angered Canadian airlines for agreeing to negotiate the pact, told a Parliamentary committee he would not jeopardize Canadian airlines by changing the marketplace overnight.

Instead, Lewis said the proposed agreement, which will be negotiated starting

early next year, would be introduced in stages. Lewis also promised to negotiate safeguards to lessen the initial impact on the industry, but refused to give details.

The Canada and U.S. governments announced last month they intend to create a single North American market for air travel by removing government restrictions on all airlines.

At the center of the agreement would be a "cabotage" provision allowing any North American carrier to pick up and drop customers at any two points on the continent. Currently, neither U.S. or Canadian airlines can fly between two points in each other's country. Lewis admitted the government has not assessed how the agreement would affect Canadian airlines.

The country's two top carriers, Canadian Airlines International Ltd. of Calgary and federally-owned Air Canada, have warned they may be forced to merge, leaving Canada with one national carrier, if the open-skies regime is implemented. However, Lewis said Canadian firms could compete "if the rules are fair."

Committee member Sergio Marchi, a Liberal politician, said Canada faced a virtual monopoly in its airline industry under such a regime. He said the agreement could "deliver a crippling, even fatal blow" to Canadian carriers.

Also Tuesday, the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers told the committee deregulation of the Canadian airline industry has resulted in Air Canada eliminating service to 11 cities. The airline also shut down its overnight cargo service and recently announced the layoff of 2,900 employees.

The union said relatively small domestic carriers would "fall prey" to competition from the United States, where the seventh largest airline is already larger than the top two Canadian airlines combined.

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(NOV. 20) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed lower Tuesday in one of the slowest trading sessions of year in the absence of positive factors to support the market.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which gained 346.53 points Monday, fell 312.68 points to 23,205.48.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major listed shares fell 20.27 points to 1,719.79.

Volume eased to its second slowest of the year as an extremely thin 210

million shares traded, well below the 302 million shares Monday.

Declines outnumbered advances 736 to 196, while 156 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices dipped in fairly active but narrow trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as dealers took profits after recent gains.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which gained 33.92 points Monday, shed 10.66 points to 3,031.92.

Among the narrower indexes, financials shed 0.70 points, utilities dropped 4.52, industrials slipped 4.28 while properties inched up 1.16 points.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 828 million shares, compared with 823 million shares changing hands Monday.

In Singapore, stocks closed higher in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which gained 4.40 points Monday, added another 4.23 points to 1,126.98. The broader-based All Singapore Index, which gained 2.13 points Monday, slipped 0.10 point to 312.26.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 47.3 million shares, compared with 36 million shares Monday.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stocks slumped in moderate trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange, reflecting uncertainty over domestic politics and rising interest rates.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which added 1.34 points Monday, dropped 5.53 points to 652.72.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 82 million Thai shares, compared with 82.5 million shares Monday.

In Australia, stocks closed sharply higher on the Sydney Sharemarket in the wake of a strong rally in the bond market.

The All Ordinaries Index, which gained 8.3 points Monday, climbed 17.5 points to 1,365.5.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 107 million shares, compared with 64.7 million shares Monday.

Advances outpaced declines 138 to 97, while 208 stocks remained unchanged.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 20) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

Wheat - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	2.51	2.51	2.44	2.45 1/4	2.52 3/4
Mar	2.65	2.65 1/2	2.59 3/4	2.60 1/4	2.68
May	2.75 1/2	2.75 1/2	2.68 1/2	2.68 1/2	2.77
Jul	2.81	2.81 1/2	2.75	2.76	2.83 1/2
Sep	2.85 1/2	2.86	2.81	2.81 1/2	2.88 1/2
Dec	2.95 1/2	2.95 1/2	2.93	2.94	3.00

Monday sales 37,920 bushels; Monday open interest 278,590 off 3,620.

Corn - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	2.26	2.26 3/4	2.21 1/2	2.21 3/4	2.27 1/2
Mar	2.37	2.37	2.32	2.32 1/4	2.37 3/4
May	2.44	2.44	2.39 3/4	2.40	2.45
Jul	2.50 1/2	2.50 3/4	2.46	2.46 1/4	2.51 1/4
Sep	2.50	2.50	2.46 1/2	2.47 1/4	2.50 1/2
Dec	2.50 1/4	2.50 1/2	2.47 3/4	2.48 3/4	2.51 3/4
Mar	2.57	2.57	2.54 1/2	2.54 1/2	2.58 3/4

Monday sales 236,265 bushels; Monday open interest 1,176,985 off 4,800.

Oats - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	1.10 1/2	1.10 1/2	1.07 1/2	1.08 1/4	1.11 1/2
Mar	1.22	1.22	1.19	1.19 3/4	1.22 3/4
May	1.26 1/2	1.26 3/4	1.25 3/4	1.26 1/2	1.28 3/4
Jul	1.33 3/4	1.33 3/4	1.31 1/2	1.32 1/2	1.34 1/2
Sep	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.40 1/2
Dec	1.47	1.47	1.47	1.47	1.49

Monday sales 5,135 bushels; Monday open interest 76,155 off 1,245.

Soybeans - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Nov	....	....	....	5.57	5.69
Jan	5.76 1/2	5.76 1/2	5.64 1/4	5.68 1/4	5.79 3/4
Mar	5.89 1/2	5.90	5.78 3/4	5.82 1/2	5.94
May	6.04	6.04 1/2	5.92 1/2	5.96 1/4	6.07 3/4
Jul	6.15 1/2	6.15 1/2	6.04 3/4	6.08 1/4	6.19 3/4
Aug	6.15 1/2	6.15 1/2	6.08	6.10 3/4	6.22 1/2
Sep	6.10	6.10	6.02	6.05	6.12 1/2
Nov	6.19 1/2	6.09 1/2	6.01 1/2	6.04	6.10 3/4
Jan	6.15 1/2	6.15 1/2	6.15 1/2	6.15 1/2	6.22

Monday sales 134,430 bushels; Monday open interest 617,035 off 3,020.

Soybean Oil - 60,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	20.12	20.13	19.78	19.85	20.14
Jan	20.38	20.38	20.05	20.13	20.41
Mar	20.80	20.80	20.45	20.54	20.84
May	21.16	21.16	20.87	20.95	21.26
Jul	21.46	21.47	21.20	21.25	21.56
Aug	21.55	21.55	21.26	21.28	21.55
Sep	21.55	21.58	21.30	21.37	21.65
Oct	....	....	....	21.45	21.65
Dec	21.55	21.60	21.40	21.45	21.60
Jan	....	....	21.40	21.40	21.60

Monday sales 13,942 contracts; Monday open interest 87,851 off 405.

Soybean Meal - 100 tons; $ per ton

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	173.80	173.80	170.00	171.90	174.90
Jan	176.00	176.00	172.50	174.60	177.40
Mar	180.00	180.30	176.30	177.90	181.30
May	183.00	183.00	179.00	180.20	183.80
Jul	185.80	186.00	181.80	183.50	186.60
Aug	187.00	187.00	183.80	184.70	188.00
Sep	186.50	186.50	183.00	183.50	186.00
Oct	182.50	182.50	181.50	181.50	184.00
Dec	183.00	183.30	182.60	183.00	186.00
Jan	....	....	....	183.50	184.50

Monday sales 16,668 contracts; Monday open interest 76,633 up 666.

Open interest is reported by the CBOT in thousands of bushels.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) UPI - Saturn has apparently ''burped'' a gigantic storm that spewed a huge cloud of ammonia gas crystals that has encircled nearly the entire mammoth planet, scientists said Wednesday.

The unusual storm was first spotted in September by amateur astronomers, prompting excited scientists to convince NASA to allow them to use the Hubble Space Telescope to photograph the area in detail earlier this month.

''It turned out it became something very special,'' said James Westphal of the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, Calif., at a news conference at NASA headquarters where the images were released.

The storm, which is about 150 miles above Saturn's normal upper atmosphere, was about triple the diameter of Earth when it was first detected on the

ringed planet's equator in September.

The new images show the storm is spreading eastward at about 1,000 mph and has stretched nearly completely around the planet's equator to a size of about 200,000 miles - or about 10 times the size of Earth, the scientists said.

The size of the storm makes it the ''largest atmospheric structure right now in the solar system outside the sun,'' said Andrew Ingersoll, a professor of planetary science at Caltech.

Ingersoll said he was uncertain how or why the storm formed but that ''it really has to become sort of internal, intermittent thing on Saturn.'' In other words, ''Saturn burped,'' he said.

''Why it should wait so long to burp, I don't know,'' he said, noting that the last time anything similar was spotted on Saturn was in 1933.

''It's sort of hard to see why things should build up and then burp so magnificently,'' he said. ''But that's what it did.''

Because it is summer in that part of Saturn, Ingersoll speculated heat from the sun may have helped trigger the storm's formation from hydrogen and helium gas and liquid from the deep ''primordial'' interior of Saturn, he said.

''In some mysterious way, which I do not have a clue as to, Saturn burps ... perhaps in the summertime,'' he said. ''Just the changing heating of the atmosphere changes the stability of the different layers'' of the planet.

The scientists hope to continue to study the storm to learn more about it and Saturn itself, which apparently is more turbulent than previously thought, the scientists said.

The storm, which resembles Jupiter's 300-year-old Great Red Spot in some ways, may eventually evolve into an ancient giant storm like that, Ingersoll said. ''I have my fingers crossed,'' Ingersoll said.

Charles Pellerin, director of NASA's astrophysics division, said the 64 images of the storm taken Nov. 9 and Nov. 11 and about 250 more pictures captured by the telescope's wide field/planetary camera last weekend demonstrate the value of the $1.5 billion instrument despite its flaws.

''Hubble is becoming a mature explorer,'' he said.

About a month after the telescope was placed into orbit above Earth last April NASA discovered one of the telescope's mirrors was apparently misshapen, blurring its view of the heavens.

NASA plans to correct the problem when one of the telescope's cameras is

replaced in 1993, and has said the machine can still do valuable research in the interim.

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(NOV. 20) UPI - President Bush, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and European leaders who were gathered for a huge Paris summit turned their attention to the Middle East after formally burying the Cold War, and held behind-the-scenes talks on how to oust Saddam Hussein from Kuwait, reports said Tuesday.

Arab radio stations said the talks were held amid indications that while Gorbachev was pressing for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf standoff, Bush was seeking a mandate for military action against Baghdad.

One report from Paris said Bush failed at dinner Monday to persuade Gorbachev to sanction the use of military force against Iraq. The Soviet leader is worried about the effect a war might have on his country's volatile southern border.

The talks in Paris, held on the fringe of the 34-nation European Security and Cooperation Conference, came as Iraq on Monday surprised observers by announcing it would send an additional 250,000 troops to Kuwait in anticipation of a possible attack from the U.S.-led force in the region.

One West European military attache in Cairo said Saddam would have to pull troops away from his border with Iran to reinforce Kuwait, and that only certain units such as the elite Presidential Guards could be relied upon to function efficiently.

As world leaders put heads together in Paris, Soviet and Arab envoys continued their diplomatic shuttles around the Middle East.

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Vladimir Petrovisky continued his North African tour with talks Tuesday in Tripoli with Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi, Libyan Radio said, and handed Gadhafi a message from Gorbachev, ''dealing with ways to avoid a military confrontation in the gulf.''

A second Soviet envoy, Alexander Belonogov, met in Doha Tuesday with Qatar's ruler Sheikh Khalifa bin Hammad al Thani and handed him a similar message from the Soviet leader.

In Cairo, Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk Sharaa met late Monday with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. Sharaa's surprise visit to Cairo came hours after Iraq's announcement it would send the additional troops to Kuwait, a decision that will increase Baghdad's military presence in Kuwait to nearly a half-million soldiers.

Bush's visit to Egypt and Saudi Arabia later this week prompted exiled Kuwaiti Minister of State for Cabinet Affairs Abdulrahman al Awadi to hold talks with Mubarak in Cairo on Tuesday.

Kuwait's Emir Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah has called for an immediate military strike against Iraq but Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria said they wanted the United States to impose a three-month moratorium on any outbreak of hostilities, to give Saddam time to change his mind and withdraw from the emirate.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar appealed in Paris for the international community to offer financial assistance to Jordan immediately, saying that the Hashemite kingdom was facing a serious economic crisis because of the gulf standoff.

In Baghdad, some 135 Bulgarian hostages were expected to leave the Iraqi capital Tuesday aboard a Bulgarian jetliner after Iraqi authorities decided to release them, Baghdad Radio reported.

Saddam on Sunday announced that all foreign nationals, including U.S. and British citizens, would be allowed to start leaving the country starting on Christmas Day over a period of three months.

But Bush called the surprise Iraqi announcement a ''cynical ploy,'' and joined British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher in demanding the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraq's invasion forces from Kuwait.

Thatcher said after a breakfast meeting with Bush at the U.S. Embassy in Paris Monday that Saddam's ''evil has to be be stopped,'' and vowed ''either he withdraws or the military option has to be used.''

Iraq's information minister condemned the two leaders Monday for the statements, counter-charging the military buildup in the gulf was a Western ploy to dominate oil resources in the region.

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(NOV. 20) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $8 to $16 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.35 cent to 1.85 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.90 cent higher to 1.50 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.16 cent higher to 0.39 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $3.80 to $3.90 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $2.40 to $3.20 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 2.30 cents to 2.70 cents a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 3 to 3.3 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.004 cent higher to 0.008 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for November 19: Purchases of 404,427 shares and sales of 498,505 shares including 24,288 shares sold short.

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BOSTON (NOV. 20) UPI - Eight teenagers are being held for allegedly slaying a 26-year-old mother who was beaten with a tree limb, raped repeatedly and stabbed dozens of times in a park on Halloween night in what one police detective called an apparent case of ''wilding.''

Police rounded up and arrested the eight alleged gang members at about 6 a.m. Monday in Boston's Dorchester neighborhood after a two-week investigation into the death of Kimberly Harbour, 26, of Milton.

Harbour's beaten and stabbed body was found in Franklin Field, a park in Dorchester, in the early morning hours of Nov. 1. She was the mother of a 7-year-old girl.

''They beat her with a stick, stabbed her repeatedly,'' Boston Police Lt. Peter O'Malley said during one arraignment in Dorchester District Court. ''More than one person stabbed her. More than one person raped her ... One person jumped up and down on top of her.''

Media reports quoted police sources as saying she had been stabbed about 100

times.

The eight, all alleged members of the Franklin Field Pistons gang, pleaded innocent during two separate arraignments to charges of murder, rape and robbery and were ordered held without bail.

Carlos Garcia, 18; Corey James, 19, and Che Barnes, 17, all of Dorchester, were scheduled to return to court for hearings Nov. 29.

The juveniles, including four from Dorchester and one from Malden, were scheduled to return to court Dec. 5.

Boston Police head homicide Detective Edward McNelley said it was one of the most heinous crimes he'd ever seen, reminiscent of the ''wilding'' gang-rape and beating of a Central Park jogger in New York in April 1989, a crime that shocked the nation because of its brutality and random nature.

''I don't know what 'wilding' is, but if you say, 'Is it the same as what happened in New York?', I'd say there were a lot of similarities,'' McNelley said.

O'Malley said the suspects set out as a group late Oct. 31 ''with the idea to rob females'' and came upon Harbour and a companion, Laura Peterson. O'Malley said the suspects first took a set of keys from Peterson, but ''threw'' them at her and turned their attention to Harbour.

McNelley said police ''believe there are numerous people out there who know certain things that can help us process things we need for this crime.''

One law enforcement official said the arrests came about because several of the suspects ''were bragging about it. That's how it got out.''

The victim's father, Russell Harbour, has said his daughter was an A student who liked to write poetry, but was troubled by drug use and often left home. She had been living with friends in Dorchester and Boston's Mattapan neighborhood for the last several years, he said.

''I have no trouble dealing with death,'' the father said. ''But here was a child who wanted to bother no one. To end up the way they killed her - why would eight people do this to one female?''

His son, Kurry Harbour, 20, was charged in January with the New Year's Day slaying of a reclusive neighbor in Milton and is now serving a life prison term.

''Murder is murder no matter which way you look at it,'' Russell Harbour said. ''But this is a vicious murder of my daughter. I want all of them to get the maximum. I'm not a vengeful person, but I would like to push the button, pull

the rope, cut them up myself.''

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DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 20) UPI - Fatma, the wife of a Kuwaiti air force major, packed her bags and fled her homeland last week after Iraqi security forces tried to pressure her 15-year-old son into service as a collaborator.

She had resisted the urge to flee when soldiers confiscated her car. She suppressed her fear when security men discovered her identity and started calling her at home. But when an Iraqi agent picked up her son and began acting like the two were best pals, she knew it was time to leave.

''I am still scared they will follow me here because they have my name,'' said Fatma, who declined to give her full identity. ''I am scared to this point, that maybe they are here and following us.''

Between 300,000 and 400,000 Kuwaitis like Fatma have fled their homeland since the forces of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein occupied the tiny oil-rich country Aug. 2. Most of them have sought sanctuary in Saudi Arabia, and each day about 120 new refugees cross the border into the kingdom.

New refugees are temporarily housed in three hotels rented by the Kuwaiti government in exile. After 10 days in the hotels, they must move into apartments. The families are given a monthly stipend of the equivalent of $1,333 by the Kuwaiti government plus a one-time payment of the equivalent of $1,333 for furniture.

Many of the Kuwaitis arrive at the five-star refugee hotels in expensive automobiles. But the Jaguars and Mercedes arrive without Kuwaiti license plates. Like their owners, they have been stripped of their identity, their nationality and their link to Kuwait by Iraqi border guards.

''We are a new kind of refugee,'' said Nawal, a Kuwaiti woman who also declined to give her last name. ''Without the land you are a refugee, even if you have money.

''If you have a palace in the States or ranches in the States, you are a refugee because you don't have your own land, which is Kuwait,'' she added. ''Even if you are staying one month in Kuwait and 11 months in the States, the land is the most important thing.''

Some of those leaving Kuwait initially tried to live with Saddam's regime and found it unbearable, while others resisted Iraqi forces but found defiance too dangerous. Most tell stories of threats, harassment and unimaginable cruelty. And many of them have performed acts of simple heroism.

A woman named Aljazi tried to carry a letter from Kuwaiti resistance members past the scrutiny of Iraqi border guards but got caught. By playing the simpleton, telling lies and giving contradictory information, she was able to confuse the security men and avoid giving away her friends.

''First I was not afraid, but I felt like somebody was looking at me, '' Aljazi said. ''But the way he began search made me feel suspicious ... and when he found this letter and started questioning me, my legs were shaking, trembling with fear. At the end, I could not believe I made it.''

Fatma, the air force major's wife, found herself left alone to care for her children Aug. 2 because her husband, a flight engineer, participated in the operation that kept 70 percent of the Kuwaiti warplanes from falling into Iraqi hands. By the end of invasion day, he was in Saudi Arabia.

Fatma knew little of her husband's business, but she found 100 American identity cards - all friends of the family - in his papers. Apparently he had been their sponsor in the country.

''I didn't know that because he doesn't tell me about the things that are secret, you know,'' she said. ''I took them, piled them with a rubbish bag and threw it in the fire. I was scared that (the Iraqis) would recognize (the people) and find them.''

Nawal lived in a big house with eight servants who immediately left the country. For her, the test was being able to run a household, cooking three meals a day, queueing in line at the supermarket for milk and bread, doing laundry and comforting neighbors with family members who disappeared.

''We are wealthy people,'' she said. ''Our social life suddenly changed.''

"We're ready to cook, to clean, to do everything," added Eman, who recently left Kuwait with her husband.We're ready to work hard, but we want our country to come back. We don't want servants, we don't want anything, we only want our government to come back, our houses, our relatives. We want our freedom.''

Eman's turn to leave Kuwait came when a relative died in a hospital after delivering a child by Caesarean section. The woman had rare 0- negative blood which was unavailable. Although the woman's husband collected 2 pints from family members, an Iraqi soldier barred them from using it.

''The Iraqi soldier told him, 'No. These two bags are for the hospital, now bring two more bags for your wife,''' Eman said. By the time an Iraqi doctor intervened, the two bags of blood had spoiled because they were not kept refrigerated. The woman died.

Eman's husband decided the couple had to leave Kuwait. She, too, is pregnant and has O-negative blood.

''My relatives, before I left, they asked me to send this message to anyone who asks you about Kuwait,'' Eman said. ''They will stay there. They won't leave Kuwait, but they don't know how long. Maybe they will die before they leave. This is their message.''

She said life under Iraqi occupation was becoming too oppressive for many to stay.

''Day after day they are suffering,'' Eman said, ''hour after hour, minute after minute.''

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PARIS (NOV. 20) UPI - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said Tuesday she was disappointed the contest for Conservative Party leadership was going into a second ballot but cooly announced she would fight the final round of the political battle.

''I am disappointed that it was not quite enough to get the thing through,'' Thatcher told reporters in the courtyard of the British Embassy.

''But I am very pleased that half the parliamentary group voted on my behalf and I will put my name forward for the second ballot.''

Presidential press secretary Marlin Fitzwater, in Paris with President Bush, said of the vote, ''We would not take any position on the internal affairs of Britain. The prime minister has been a personal friend of President Reagan and President Bush. She has been our strongest ally but we have no further response.'' whatever the outcome of the vote in London.

It was not immediately clear if Thatcher would attend a ballet and banquet at Versailles as scheduled. ''Now I must go and make some telephone calls,'' said the Iron Lady, looking icily cool in a black evening suit with a fur collar.

Earlier a British Embassy spokeswoman said Thatcher would go to Versailles.

She will then travel to Versailles for congratulations or commiseration from her counterparts from around Europe at a ballet in the Royal Palace performed by the Opera di Paris followed by a banquet hosted by French President Francois Mitterrand.

''She is definitely going to Versailles,'' the spokeswoman said. ''She will come back (to the embassy), presumably wait for the result then change and go (to Versailles).''

Hordes of British journalists besieged the British Embassy to try to catch a

glimpse of the beleaguered prime minister. But only a small pool was authorized to enter the courtyard of the mission lest she speak before heading to Versailles.

Thatcher looked relaxed and smiled broadly during a morning meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev at the Soviet Embassy. She also met with Mitterrand.

Elysee spokesman Hubert Vedrine said Thatcher and Mitterrand focused on the Gulf crisis during their talks.

''France has given its agreement for launching discussion between U.N. Security Council members for the elaboration of a new resolution foreseeing the use of force,'' Vedrine said.

French television and radio reports gave full coverage to Thatcher's plight.

Le Figaro newspaper described Thatcher as ''phlegmatic'' and ''haughty.''

''She has, for example, proudly ignored her foreign minister, Douglas Hurd, during all the ceremonies.''

Le Figaro also remarked on Thatcher's ''sense of humor,'' noting that she told a news conference Monday it was not yet time to write her memoirs.

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ROCKLIN, CA (NOV. 20) UPI - Wells Fargo Bank said Friday it has bought 127 acres of land in California's Central Valley for a future business campus that could house up to 3,000 employees by the end of the century.

The bank said it planned to move many of its 24-hour operations to the site, starting in 1994, to augment operations centers in northern and southern California.

The site, part of a development called Stanford Ranch, could accommodate up to two million square feet of building space, the bank said. Wells Fargo plans to develop the site in stages over ten years, with the first phase totalling about half a million square feet to be completed in 1994, housing 300 employees.

Stanford Ranch, a 3,500-acre master-planned community in Placer County, also is the site of facilities for Ace Hardware and Herman Miller, a furniture company.

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BONN, GERMANY (NOV. 20) UPI - A majority of German voters favor retaining Helmut Kohl as chancellor after the Dec. 2 national election because they believe he stands for unity, freedom and justice, a survey published Tuesday said.

The survey by the Allensbach Institute said that 70 percent of voters in eastern Germany and 62 percent in western Germany think that Kohl and his conservative Christian Democratic Union ''convincingly stand for German unity.

Only 19 percent of those surveyed in the west and 24 in the east believe Kohl's challengers - Oskar Lafontaine and his Social Democratic Party (SPD) - see German unification as their priority.

The institute surveyed 1,000 voters in western Germany and 1,000 in eastern Germany, and said its margin of error was about 1.5 percent.

Kohl, who is widely regarded as the architect of German unification Oct. 3, has been ahead of Lafontaine in the polls for the past six months.

Tuesday's poll, published in the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung daily, showed that 49 percent in those surveyed in former West Germany and 48 percent in eastern Germany feel that Kohl ''radiates optimism and confidence.''

Only 21 percent of western Germans and 18 percent in the eastern part of the nation found the same true for Lafontaine.

Most voters also believe that Kohl is a stronger advocate than Lafontaine for a just state and as much freedom for the individual as possible, the survey said.

Another survey by the weekly news magazine Der Spiegel showed that 54 percent of those surveyed in all of Germany would vote for Kohl and 38 percent for Lafontaine, if they were voting directly for a candidate.

Under German electoral law, voters cast their vote for the party and not for one particular candidate.

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CLEMSON, SC (NOV. 20) UPI - Virginia quarterback Shawn Moore Tuesday was named the Atlantic Coast Conference football Player-of-the-Year by the Atlantic Coast Sports Writers Association.

Moore, a fifth-year senior from Martinsville, Va., has led the No. 14 Cavaliers to an 8-2 overall record, 5-2 in the ACC, and has been touted as a leading Heisman Trophy candidate.

Moore and Virginia wide receiver Herman Moore, no relation, were the only unanimous selections for the All-ACC team dominated by No. 13 Clemson with nine selections.

So far this season, Shawn Moore has completed 144 of 241 passes for 2,232 yards and 21 touchdowns. He also has carried the ball 94 times for 357 yards and eight rushing touchdowns.

Herman Moore, a junior, has caught 47 passes for 1,010 yards and 12 touchdowns this year. The Cavs end their season Saturday at Virginia Tech.

Besides Shawn Moore and Herman Moore, Virginia had four players and No. 3 Georgia Tech had five players on the teams. Maryland, North Carolina, North Carolina State and Wake Forest each had one player honored. Duke did not have a first-team player.

The association will name the conference's Coach-of-the-Year Wednesday morning and the Rookie-of-the-Year Wednesday afternoon. Eighty-two ballots were cast.

Clemson's Chris Gardocki was named twice as he repeated as the first- team punter (defense) and placekicker (offense).

Gardocki booted 19 field goals for the Tigers, 9-2 and 5-2, and added 23 point-after conversions. The junior from Stone Mountain, Ga., is 65- 65 in point-after conversions in his career.

Besides Gardocki, Clemson's selections were senior offensive tackle Stacy Long senior offensive guard Eric Harmon, freshman tailback Ronald Williams, junior middle guard Rob Bodine, senior defensive tackle Vance Hammond, junior linebacker Levon Kirkland and junior defensive back Dexter Davis.

Joining Shawn Moore and Herman Moore from the Virginia team were junior offensive tackle Ray Roberts, senior center Trevor Ryals, sophomore tailback Terry Kirby and sophomore defensive end Chris Slade.

The Yellow Jackets, 9-0-1 and 6-0-1, claimed the ACC title Saturday with a win over Wake Forest. Tech players honored were senior guard Joe Siffri, senior linebacker Calvin Tiggle, sophomore linebacker Marco Coleman, junior free safety Ken Swilling and junior cornerback Willie Clay.

The rest of the players named to the All-ACC teams were Maryland's senior wide receiver Barry Johnson, Wake Forest's sophomore tight end John Henry Mills, North Carolina's junior linebacker Dwight Hollier and North Carolina State's junior strong safety Jesse Campbell.

Players repeating from the 1989 first teams include Long, Shawn Moore, Gardocki, Hammond and Swilling.

The members of the All-ACC second team offense were: wide receivers Emmett Merchant of Georgia Tech and Marc Mays of Duke; tackles Kevin Donnally of North Carolina and Darryl Jenkins of Georgia Tech; guards Jeb Flesch of Clemson and Brian Bollinger of North Carolina; center Charlie Cobb of North Carolina State; tight end Tom Covington of Georgia Tech; quarterback Shawn Jones of Georgia Tech; running backs Anthonmy Williams of Wake Forest and Randy Cuthbert of Duke; and placekicker Chris Gwaltney of North Carolina.

The members of the All-ACC second team defense were: linemen Joe Hall of Virginia, Jerimiah McClary of Clemson and Mike Jones of North Carolina State; linebackers Doug Brewster and John Johnson of Clemson, and Tommy Thigpen and Eric Gash of North Carolina; defensive backs Fernandus Vinson and Joe Johnson of North Carolina State, and Tony Covington and Jason Wallace of Virginia; and punter Scott McAlister of North Carolina.

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BY LEE STOKES - UPI

(NOV. 20) UPI - Recent charges that Iraq has executed more than 250 people in Kuwait reinforce claims that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein habitually uses violence as his main instrument of control in the occupied emirate.

The U.S. human rights group Middle East Watch charged Saddam's armies with executing 250 people, arbitrarily detaining thousands more and systematically obliterating all signs of Kuwaiti culture.

Iraqi dissidents say Saddam's propensity for violence is nothing new, that at an early age he became involved in violent student politics when he failed to make a good grade at school.

Even a copy of his official biography tells how he became familiar with guns at the age of 10 and that his first act of violence on behalf of the Arab Baath Socialist party was in his home town of Takrit: the murder of a prominent supporter of the communist-backed military dictator, Abdel Karim Qassim.

Saddam then tried to assassinate President Qassim himself but failed and went into hiding in Egypt.

After two years in prison, Saddam rose to power in 1979 and immediately began purging the Baath leadership, executing several former Cabinet colleagues.

The Iraqi dissidents, who asked that their names not be used for their own safety, said Saddam has personally killed many people and surrounds himself with an aura of terror, getting rid of opponents under the guise of

''Revolutionary Justice.''

On Nov. 21, 1986, for example, when the Revolutionary Command Council ordered the death penalty for anyone publicly insulting the president, the RCC, the Baath Party and the rubber-stamp National Assembly.

Iraqi exiles say thousands of opposition figures have been executed and Saddam has even had his opponents abroad tracked down and murdered.

Saddam's first foreign minister, Nasir al Hani, was found shot to death in 1968 in a ditch outside Baghdad. Hardan Takriti, a former Baathist defense minister, was machine-gunned in Kuwait by Iraqi security forces in 1971. Security Director Nazim Kassar was executed and a large number of Iraqi officers killed after an attempted coup July 1, 1973.

Abdul Razzak al Naif, a former Iraqi premier, was assassinated in London on July 9, 1978. His killer, Salim Hassan, was convicted and is serving a life sentence in a British prison.

Exiles say that when Saddam took over the presidency of Iraq in 1979, about 500 senior Baathists were executed in the first two weeks of his rule.

The exiles say the purge was not only directed against dissidents such as Kurds, communists and disafefcted Shiite Moslems, but also against Baathists and old associates who might have been a threat to him. At least five members of the RCC were killed, with Saddam insisting that his colleagues on the RCC personally do the killing.

Iraqi exiles said Saddam is extending his normal methods of political control to Kuwait. They point out that Saddam's victims include the 1980 death of Shiite religious leader Mohammed Baqir Sadr and 20 army officers. Iraqi security forces in 1982 caused 150 families in the village of Al Dujayl, 40 miles northeast of Baghdad, to disappear after an assassination attempt against Saddam. The village was then bulldozed to the ground.

Two years ago, Iraqi authorities executed 22 members of the family of Iraqi Shiite Sayed Mahdi al Hakim when he fled to the Sudanese capital Khartoum.

Saddam also used chemical weapons to attack the Kurdish village of Halabja on March 16, 1988, killing up to 5,000 Kurdish civilians.

Saddam's family shares his propensity. The exiles point out that on Oct. 19, 1988, Saddam's son, Udai Saddam Hussein, killed a presidential palace employee but was released without charge three months later and sent to the Iraqi Embassy in Geneva. The Swiss expelled him and he returned to Iraq.

The dissidents point out that even members of Saddam's Takriti clan have not been immune from the Iraqi leader's violence. Saddam's cousin, Fadhil Barrak,

a former head of the Iraqi Mukhabarat or secret police, was arrested in May 1990 and accused of plotting to overthrow the regime.

They said the arrests also included Mahdi Hanoush, the Iraqi secretary general of the Bureau of Standards and Measures of the Arab League, who was called to the Iraqi Embassy in Amman, Jordan, last May 31 and then bundled off to Baghdad by the secret police.

Three of his relatives were also arrested, including a German citizen of Iraqi origin lured to Baghdad with a promise of a lucrative contract. Dissidents said that among those arrested was Khalil Shakir, Barrak's assistant who is well-known for his use of thalium, a popular poison used in assassinating Saddam's political opponents residing outside Iraq.

Dissidents also report a growing rift between Saddam and members of his Takriti clan who have grown rich and powerful thanks to his patronage. Several of them have been arrested and their fate unknown.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) - Forty-five members of Congress filed suit Tuesday seeking to prevent President Bush from committing U.S. troops to a Persian Gulf war without congressional approval.

''This is a historic opportunity for the federal courts to decide who has the right to declare war,'' said Rep. Ron Dellums, D-Calif., who initiated the lawsuit.

''We believe the president has a responsibility in this situation to send a declaration of war to the Congress of the United States.''

In Paris with President Bush, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the administration would not comment on the legal aspects of the congressmen seeking suit, but added, ''We believe this lawsuit is unnecessary in light of the commitment of the president to working with the Congress to keep them completely informed.''

The lawsuit was filed Tuesday in U.S. District Court, and lawyers asked that a hearing be held within 10 days on their request for a preliminary injunction.

The lawsuit centers around the war powers clause of the Constitution, which grants Congress the authority to declare war.

The suit does not address the 1973 War Powers Act passed by Congress that prevents the president from keeping U.S. forces in an area of imminent danger without seeking approval from Congress.

Dellums called the War Powers Act a ''worthless piece of legislation'' that he voted against in 1973. He said basing the suit on a provison in the Constitution would remove the political arguments that courts have traditionally avoided.

''We went straight to the Constitution,'' Dellums said.

Attorney General Dick Thornburgh declined to comment on the suit.

''The suit involves very complicated questions involving the standing to sue executive powers and we will respond completely in those and other areas,'' Thornburgh said.

At a news conference to announce the suit, Dellums was joined by Reps. Don Edwards, D-Calif., and Marcy Kaptur, D-Ohio. They urged the president not to repeat mistakes made during the Vietnam War.

Raising the specter of 58,000 Americans who died in Vietnam, Kaptur said ''they fought an undeclared war that split this nation in two.

''We must meet our constitutional responsibility to deliberate and vote on any act of war,'' she said. ''I promised myself I would never be a part of an undeclared war.''

''There is no necessity for quick action,'' Edwards said, saying the president has time to put his Persian Gulf policy before a vote of the Congress. ''We are not being invaded.''

Dellums said Bush has been reluctant to let Congress have a significant role in the U.S. Persian Gulf policy.

''I think the president has a very real objection to come to Congress,'' Dellums said. ''There has been no real dialogue. He has no business avoiding the Congress.''

Michael Ratner, a lawyer for the Center for Constitutional Rights, said the Constitution is clear on the issue of who has the ultimate authority to declare war, the Congress or the president.

''This is not a power for the president of the United States,'' Ratner said. ''Hopefully this court will tell him to go to Congress.''

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CARSON CITY, NV (NOV. 20) UPI - Nevada casinos, paced by a flurry of new clubs in Clark County, won $1.3 billion during the summer tourism season - an increase of 12.9 percent.

The state Gaming Control Board reported Monday that the casino win in Clark County, which includes Las Vegas, rose 18.1 percent to $979.4 million during the July through September quarter.

Board spokesman Harlen Elges said the strong showing in Southern Nevada was due to the opening of the Excalibur hotel-casino on the Las Vegas Strip; the Flamingo Hilton in Laughlin, Nev., and the Nevada Landing and Primadonna Resort, both in Jean, Nev., near the southern Nevada-southern California border. The quarter included revenues from The Mirage, a 3,000-room hotel-casino opened by Golden Nugget Inc., in November, 1989.

Elges expressed doubt that the gaming industry in Clark County would be able to match the 18 percent increase in the future because of the newly created large base of comparison.

Casinos in the border town of Laughlin on the Colorado River reported a 19.4 percent increase in gross revenues which reached $98.9 million during the quarter.

The new report showed that 71 percent of Nevada's gaming business is now in Clark County, compared to 68 percent of a year ago. While the south was reporting booming business numbers, Northern Nevada gaming appeared sluggish.

Only Washoe County - which includes Reno, Sparks and North Lake Tahoe - showed any solid increase. Gaming revenues there rose by 4.5 percent to $226.2 million.

Gross revenue dropped in Douglas county by three percent to $107.9 million and declined in Elko County by 1.6 percent to $29.9 million. Carson City casinos had an increase of 2.3 percent.

Gross revenue is computed before business expenses and taxes. The board said the casinos paid $82.8 million in taxes, up 12.6 percent for the quarter.

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JERUSALEM (NOV. 20) UPI - One Israeli soldier and at least four guerrillas were killed in a clash north of Israel's self-declared ''security zone'' in southern Lebanon, the army spokesman said Tuesday.

The forces clashed late Monday when the Israeli troops encountered the guerrillas ''while carrying out an initiated activity on the eastern front,'' about 4 miles north of the security zone, the spokesman said.

The Israeli troops opened fire, killing four gunmen and possibly a fifth. Israeli officer Yaron Yogev also was killed, the spokesman said.

The clash occurred in a mountainous area controlled by guerrilla organizations that have operated against Israeli forces and the Israel- backed South Lebanon Army.

The Israeli operation was an additional step against ''terrorist organizations and their establishment on the eastern front of the security zone,'' the spokesman said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1018.3
Monday	1027.2
Week ago	1034.8
Month ago	1063.8
Year ago	1087.1
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1018.3

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) UPI - Housing starts fell 6 percent in October for the ninth consecutive monthly decline to the lowest level since June 1982 in the last recession, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

Permits for new construction were down 6.8 percent for the month, also to the lowest level since June 1982.

Compared with October 1989, housing starts have fallen 26.8 percent.

The annual rate of new housing construction stood at slightly above 1 million, adjusted for seasonal factors. The annual rate for building permits was 925,000, also adjusted for seasonal factors.

October's decline in starts follows a drop of 2.1 percent in September, while last month's decrease in building permits follows a fall of 5.5 percent in September, the department's Census Bureau said.

A government spokesman said the nine consecutive monthly declines in housing starts is the worst string of losses since the Commerce Department started tracking the data in 1959.

Martin Regalia, chief economist at the National Council of Savings Institutions, said, ''If things hold true to course, the November numbers will

be worse.''

He said consumers are holding back.

''The (consumers') money isn't there and the will and desire to extend yourself isn't there,'' said Regalia.

''The mortgage money is there, but nobody wants it because they're afraid theywon't be able to make the payments,'' he added.

Construction of new single-family homes was off 1 percent in October, while construction of apartment buildings with two, three or four units dropped 8.8 percent, the report said.

Robert Villanueva, an economist at the National Association of Home Builders, said, ''There's one little positive sign. The single-family sector seems to have stabilized. If we begin to get some relief from the interest rate side, we can probably keep the single-family side from dropping (further).''

Construction of larger apartment buildings, meanwhile, plunged 25.7 percent last month - to the lowest levels since August 1963, when the government started tracking apartment data, the spokesman said.

Thomas Holloway, an economist with the Mortgage Bankers Association, attributed the weak showing in the apartment sector to builders' inability to get loans.

''It's a dismal report,'' Holloway said.

By region, October housing starts jumped 38.5 percent in the Northeast, dipped 2.5 percent in the Midwest, dropped 10.4 percent in the South and fell 16.9 percent in the West.

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JASPER, GA (NOV. 20) UPI - Former Rep. Phil Landrum, who served as Georgia's 9th District congressman for 24 years, died Monday night of complications from a stroke. He was 83.

Landrum died about 10:15 p.m. EST at Pickens General Hospital, where he had been undergoing treatment for several days after suffering multiple strokes in the last two weeks.

''He was a great state and national leader, and I shall certainly miss him,'' said Rep. Ed Jenkins, D-Ga., who succeeded Landrum in 1977. ''I first went to work with Phil Landrum almost 32 years ago right out of law school and was closely affiliated with him throughout the rest of his life. He was my mentor

and friend, and I shall miss his counsel.''

Elected to Congress in 1952, Landrum was the principle sponsor of the Landrum-Griffin Labor Reform Bill of 1959. Designed as a bill of rights for union employees, the law was considered essential to weeding out corruption from the union hierarchy and came about as a result of the Jimmy Hoffa hearings.

Landrum also was instrumental in the passage of several key education bills, including the Library Services Act and the Vocational Educational Act.

He also was closely allied with Presidents Johnson and Ford.

Prior to running for Congress, Landrum served as executive secretary to former Gov. M.E. Thompson and was an assistant attorney general.

A native of Martin, Ga., in the northeast mountain county of Stephens, Landrum graduated from Piedmont College and the Atlanta Law School, earning his attorney's degree while teaching school and coaching in Nelson, Ga.

He is survived by his wife, Laura Brown Landrum, two children, Phil Landrum Jr. and Susan Landrum, both attorneys, and two grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	66 1-2	off	1-2
AT&T Company	32 3-8	up	1-2
BCE Inc	33 1-2	off	1-4
Bell Atlantic	53 1-8	off	1-4
BellSouth Corp	53 1-8	off	1-2
Exxon Corp	50 5-8	unch	
Ford Motor Co	27	off	5-8
Genl Electric	53 1-8	off 2	1-4
General Motors	38 1-8	off	5-8
GTE Corp	28	unch	
IBM Corp	113 1-4	off 1	1-2
Mobil Oil Corp	57 5-8	off	1-8
Nynex Corp	70 1-2	off 1	
Pac Gas & Elec	24 1-8	unch	
Pacific Telesis	44 1-4	off	3-4
Phila Electric	16 1-4	off	1-8
Sears Roebuck	26	off	1-2

Southern Co	26 3-8	off	1-8
Sthwestern Bell	52 3-8	off	1-8
US West Inc	37 1-2	off	1-4

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $380.50, silver base of $4.15 and platinum price of $418.40:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$396.20	393.10
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	203.30	201.70
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	104.40	103.60
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.10	42.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	396.20	393.10
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	203.30	201.70
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	104.90	104.10
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.10	42.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	402.60	399.40
China Panda .50 troy oz.	207.40	205.80
China Panda .25 troy oz.	107.60	106.70
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.50	46.10
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.70	27.50
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	396.30	393.20
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	202.50	200.90
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	102.30	101.50
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.10	43.70
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	394.80	391.70
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	204.40	202.80
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	104.90	104.10
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.60	44.30
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	394.30	391.50
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	202.80	201.30
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.00	86.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	44.70
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.00	23.80
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.54	$5.54
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,170	$3,170
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		

half dollars:	$1,325	$1,325
Platinum		
Australian Koala	433.00	433.00
Isle of Man Noble	430.00	430.00
Canada Maple Leaf	441.00	441.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

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Tuesday	2530.20	off	35.15	853.00	off	14.79	207.05	off	1.64
Monday	2565.35	up	15.10	867.79	up	3.33	208.69	up	0.44
Week ago	2535.40	off	4.95	867.79	up	1.11	209.07	off	3.02
Month ago	2494.06	off	22.03	875.00	off	8.69	209.95	off	0.94
Year ago	2656.78	up	17.49	1166.43	up	8.18	221.33	up	1.32
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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BANGKOK, THAILAND (NOV. 20) UPI - A U.S. military team flew to Hanoi Tuesday and picked up 11 sets of remains believed to be of U.S. soldiers missing in Vietnam, a U.S. Embassy spokesman said.

James Williams, the embassy spokesman in Bangkok, said a U.S. team picked up the remains in Hanoi and left for the Central Identification Laboratory in Hanoi, where they will be examined in an attempt to make identifications.

''The United States recognizes and appreciates Vietnam's unilateral efforts which have brought increased accounting for the Americans missing in Southeast Asia,'' he said.

''We hope to see similar concrete results from joint efforts,'' Williams said.

The repatriation of remains was the second in the past two months amid warming relations between Hanoi and Washington.

A U.S. team of experts visited Hanoi earlier this month to discuss expansion of joint searches for evidence of the fates of some of the 1, 676 U.S. military personnel missing in action in Vietnam.

Williams said he had no information on the outcome of those discussions.

In mid-October Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach visited Washington for the first time for talks with senior U.S. officials.

Thach later told reporters he had agreed to a U.S. proposal to station MIA experts permanently in Hanoi. The U.S. State Department said any long-term stationing of representatives would depend on further improvements in cooperation on the sensitive MIA issue.

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#90324u0540 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks - 10,650,000 shares

1990 to date - 3,018,351,680

Bonds - $3,510,000

1990 to date - $664,738,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Tuesday - $42,700,000

1990 to date - $9,837,593,000

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) UPI - The Iraqi announcement that another 250,000 troops will be sent to Kuwait does not automatically mean the United States will rush more troops to the region, a Pentagon official said Tuesday.

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said there has been no evidence yet that Saddam Hussein has started moving forces foward into Iraq. There are more than 430,000 Iraqi soldiers with 3,500 tanks located in and around Kuwait.

''If they are going to do it, it could well take a long time. It could take over a month to do it,'' said Williams.

''As Gen. (Colin) Powell pointed out this morning, the additional troops they are talking about would probably be less capable than the troops that are deployed there now. It is not clear that if this announcement were followed through that it would add to the combat power.''

''These forces probably wouldn't be as well trained or well equipped as the forces that are there now,'' added Williams.

Should Iraq follow through, he said, ''It would be a further tightening of its grip on occupied Kuwait and just the opposite of what the world community has asked Iraq to do, which is to withdraw form Kuwait.''

Some military authorities have suggested that extra Iraqi troops could increase the vulnerability of the Iraqi army, particularly because of the strain it would put on supply lines.

Williams, asked if it might require additional U.S. forces to counter and maintain a creditable option to go on the offense, said:

''That's an impossible calculation to make now. It may well be that we don't need to send any more. it depends on who they send. Just the addition of sheer numbers in itself doesn't necessarily ... give Iraq an addition to its combat power. So we'll have to wait and see whether this is something they intend to do and how they do it before we can make any kind of decision like that.''

Williams also said that Operation Imminent Thunder had some successes, even though an amphibious landing had to be called off because of safety considerations.

Hovercraft were to have been used to ferry Marines ashore from ships held over the horizon but those plans were junked when seas rose to 10 feet to 12 feet. About 400 Marines were airlifted to the shore in helicopters.

The operation also included multi-service airpower over the beach, aviation operations elsewhere in the country and an exercise to let U.S. forces pass through Saudi lines headed toward Kuwait.

The opertion winds up Wednesday, the day President Bush arrives in the country to start a whirlwind Thanksgiving Day visit.

''The majority of what we had hoped to achieve in this exercise was achieved '' said Williams.

On a related matter, Williams noted that the deadline is rapidly approaching for Christmas cards and letters going to soldiers in Operation Desert Shield. The deadline is next Monday, Nov. 26. The deadline for air parcel and priority parcels was Nov. 16.

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#90324u0551 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 20) UPI - Laventhol & Horwath, the nation's seventh-

largest accounting firm, said Tuesday it is unable to repay its bank loans and will file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

The filing, which will give the firm court protection from its creditors during a period of reorganization, is expected to be made Wednesday.

Robert Levine, chief executive officer, said in a press statement the firm found itself in a ''severe cash squeeze'' resulting from high litigation defense costs, a dramatic downturn in the real estate and hospitality markets - two industries in which the firm specializes - and the general weakening of the economy.

''A series of tragic circumstances brought this proud firm to this sad day,'' Levine said.

Among its troubles: Laventhol is defending itself in a multimillion- dollar lawsuit over its audit of the PTL ministry of Jim Bakker.

Laventhol said its liabilities, including contingent liabilities for litigation and other matters, far exceed its assets - although no specific figures were released.

Laventhol's bank debt stands at approximately $85 million.

Some 350 Laventhol partners met last weekend hoping to come up with a plan of reorganization that would keep the firm out of bankruptcy proceedings, but the effort proved unsuccessful.

''We were left with little choice but to seek protection in the courts,'' said Levine, who took over as executive partner of the troubled firm in June.

Levine said the partners in Laventhol, which counts among its clients such prestigious companies as Trans World Airlines Inc. and Hyatt Corp., ''have every intention of continuing to serve our clients.''

The firm, which began a major acquisition progam in 1984, currently has 50 U.S. offices and posted fiscal 1990 revenues of $345 million, more than double the pre-expansion revenues of six years ago.

''The petition we will file is unique in that service companes have little to offer creditors in the way of 'hard' assets,'' Levine said. ''Instead, its clients and people are the assets. We hope to create an orderly way to pay creditors without disrupting the on-going business of the partners.''

Laventhol earlier this month cut its employees' pay by 10 percent and has seen partners leave the firm in droves in recent weeks.

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#90324u0552 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON UPI - Human tests are starting on a possible AIDS vaccine that appears to be better designed and more promising in chimpanzees than other vaccines being tested in people, researchers said Tuesday.

Government-affiliated AIDS researchers and officials from Immuno-U.S. Inc. of Rochester, Mich., announced the Food and Drug Administration has approved tests of their jointly developed AIDS vaccine in about 60 healthy people.

The genetically engineered vaccine, called IMMUNO-Ag, is the sixth AIDS vaccine authorized by the FDA for human testing but is the first to be developed in conjunction with the government. Tests of the other AIDS vaccines have not yet produced any conclusive results.

If the new vaccine encounters no roadblocks along the testing pathway, Belshe estimated it would still be at least five to 10 years before it could be generally available to the American public.

The laboratory-made protein the vaccine uses to spur an immune system response more closely mimics the natural AIDS protein, called gp160, than previous candidate vaccines, researchers said.

''In many cases, retaining the native shape of the viral molecule is crucial to a vaccine's ability to stimulate a strong immune response. We don't know if this is true for HIV (AIDS virus) molecules used in vaccines, but these clinical trials will help answer this very important question,'' Dr. Anthony Fauci, head of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, said in a statement.

Dani Bolognesi, an AIDS vaccine expert at Duke University School of Medicine in Durham, N.C., agreed that the new vaccine's gp160 protein is ''without a doubt much more natural'' than those used in other potential AIDS vaccines being tested in humans.

Another encouraging sign for the new vaccine is that it has protected one chimpanzee from infection by the AIDS virus for nearly three years, Bolognesi said, noting other vaccines being tested under the supervision of the National Institutes of Health did not show similar promise in animal tests.

However, Bolognesi emphasized it is impossible to tell how well the vaccine will work in humans until it is given to patients. In addition, he repeated past predictions that the best AIDS vaccine to protect the general public over a long time period will probably be a ''cocktail'' of viral components, not just one protein unit.

''This is probably not the ultimate vaccine,'' said Bolognesi, a member of NIH's AIDS Vaccine Selection Committee.

Dr. Martha Eibl of the Immuno Group's branch in Austria emphasized the vaccine's performance in animal tests, saying it triggered ''the longest known period of protection of any candidate AIDS vaccine studied in chimps.''

Based on work in mice, guinea pigs, goats, monkeys and chimps, Eibl said the current vaccine formulation ''can be considered safe for clinical use'' in people.

Dr. Robert Belshe, a medical professor at St. Louis University School of Medicien and head of the vaccine study, said: ''We are delighted to have the opportunity to evaluate this exciting candidate vaccine in clinical trials.''

In the first phase of testing, 20 volunteers will receive low doses of the vaccine and 10 will receive a phony injection. In a second phase, scheduled to start a month later, 20 other volunteers will receive a higher dose of the vaccine and 10 will get dummy shots.

Belshe emphasized that volunteers face no risk of getting AIDS from the test. ''It (the vaccine) is synthetic. You cannot get AIDS from it - it is not made from the AIDS virus,'' he said.

After their intial vaccination, the subjects will receive boosters at one, six months and 18 months, Belshe said. Although the focus of the study is to determine the safety of the vaccine, he said researchers should be able to get some idea of the vaccines effectiveness in ''one to three months'' by looking at how well the patient's blood samples fend off the AIDS virus in the test tube.

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#90324u0553 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 296.82, low 295.55, close 296.01, off 0.46.

There was a loss of 2 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,650,000 shares, compared with 8, 840,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	10
New Lows	28
Advances	193
Declines	266
Unchanged	345
Total Issues	804

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#90324u0557 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 20) UPI - In Paris, President Bush, Soviet President Gorbachev and other European leaders reportedly are holding behind the scenes talks today on how to oust Saddam Hussein from Kuwait. Arab radio stations say the talks come amid indications of a disagreement between the superpower leaders on the use of military force.

Gorbachev, apparently worried about the effect a war might have on his country's volatile southern border, is pushing for a peaceful solution to the Gulf standoff. One report says Bush failed at dinner last night to persuade Gorbachev to sanction a mandate for the use of military force against Iraq.

Britain's Conservative Party in Parliament holds a critical vote today to decide Prime Minister Thatcher's fate. Thatcher faces a serious challenge from her former defense minister, Michael Heseltine. The contest is the first serious challenge to Thatcher since she unseated Edward Heath in 1975. She became prime minister four years later.

The Atlantis astronauts are spending an extra day in space... awaiting clearance for a landing after high winds blocked yesterday's landing attempt. NASA officials are NOT ruling out the possibility of a landing today or tomorrow at the Kennedy Space Center if the weather outlook remains unfavorable for a touchdown at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

The pop-singing duo Milli Vanilli plans to hold a news conference today... one day after it was stripped of the Grammy it won without singing a note on its mega-hit debut album. The National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences rescinded the Grammy award yesterday after revelations the group lip-synched on the album, in music videos and during live concerts.

Pennsylvania authorities today will try to find out what sparked last night's riot at a rock concert in Upper Darby. The disturbance ended with 23 people arrested and two injured. Police say about three-thousand irate concertgoers threw bottles and blocked traffic after the rock group Jane's Addiction abruptly ended its concert after 75 minutes and walked off the stage.

A funeral tentatively is scheduled for tomorrow in Chicago for 13- year-old leukemia victim Jean-Pierre Bosze, the Hoffman Estates teen-ager whose father tried to force a bone marrow transplant from the youth's half-siblings. An attorney for the family says Jean-Pierre died at home yesterday of a rare form of the disease.

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#90324u0558 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (NOV. 20) UPI - The Soviet army, its fall conscription drive crippled in at least five republics, will take ''every necessary measure'' to defend

itself against anti-military attacks, the Defense Ministry said Tuesday.

The hard-hitting statement was published in official newspapers after recent violent protests against the presence of Soviet troops in Latvia, Lithuania, Moldavia and Georgia.

The anti-army demonstrations are fueled by secessionist forces that have swept the northern Baltic and southern Transcaucasian region, the Defense Ministry said.

''Protesters are backed by those thwarted by the Soviet armed forces in the realization of their political ambitions and separatist intentions,'' the statement said.

''Every necessary measure will be taken to prevent such actions,'' it said.

In demonstrations Sunday, on the anniversary of Latvia's brief independence in 1918, 5,000 people picketed a Soviet air force training center in the Latvian city of Saldus, cutting telephone wires and damaging a road leading into the base.

The protest occurred after the Latvian Parliament voted to shut off electricity at all Soviet military bases in the Baltic republic.

About 300 people clashed with troops Saturday outside the army garrison in the Lithuanian capital of Vilnius, prompting soldiers to fire warning shots, use water cannons and beat some of the demonstrators in violence that left eight injured.

In the Moldavian capital of Kishinev, 30 people broke into a garrison officers' club Friday, rampaging through the building, trying to set it on fire and threatening employees, according to several news accounts.

A smaller group in the Georgian capital of Tbilisi tried to break into an officers' club Saturday, the accounts said.

While some nationalists have taken to the streets to express their hostility toward the Soviet military, scores of others have simply ignored summons to serve in the army.

Col. Gen. Grigory Krivosheev said that the army's annual autumn call- up has been hampered in the Baltics and the Caucasus.

After 50 days of the draft, only 13 percent of eligible conscripts had reported for service in Armenia along with 5 percent in Armenia and a ''meager'' 2.2 percent in Georgia, Krivosheev said.

The general did not provide figures for the Baltic region, but there have been

widespread anti-draft demonstrations at conscription centers in the republics, all three of which declared independence earlier this year.

The independent Interfax news service cited figures of 20 percent in Latvia, 16.8 percent in Estonia and 10 percent in Lithuania.

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#90324u0560 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks	-	161,170,000 shares
1990 to date	-	35,593,411,300
Warrants	-	861,800
1990 to date	-	230,523,000

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#90324u0566 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 73.80-76.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 123.63-127.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 39.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $205.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $417.50-$425.00; dealer- approx., $420.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 294.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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#90324u0568 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 20) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Tuesday - 9,241,000

1990 to date - 2,219,516,000

The market closed lower.

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#90324u0572 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 20) UPI - U.S. officials apparently were so eager to cement strategic and trade ties with Iraq they overlooked human rights abuses and doubts that Iraq would repay loans, auditors said Tuesday.

Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., in releasing the General Accounting Office report, said Iraqi access to U.S. credit loan programs could have allowed Iraq to devote its finances to weaponry. However, he acknowledged, ''You can't trace the green dollars.''

Iraq received $5 billion in export credit guarantees to aid its purchase of U.S. agricultural products between fiscal 1983 and its August invasion of Kuwait. At that time, it had $2 billion in outstanding credit guarantees.

''Even though Agriculture's risk analysis documents for fiscal years 1989 and 1990 rated Iraq as a high-risk market for granting substantial credit guarantees, Agriculture continued to grant credit guarantees throught fiscal year 1990,'' the report said.

''It seems that the U.S. desire to build a strategic and agricultural trade relationship with Iraq outweighed the apparent financial risks involved and discounted evidence of Iraq's human rights violations.''

Agriculture Department officials have said Iraq had an excellent payment record until an international trade embargo was enacted in the wake of the invasion of Kuwait.

Since then, the government has paid out $1 billion to cover short- term guarantees that came due.

Congress has refused to cut off ties with Iraq in recent years despite concern about its treatment of its citizens. Only three weeks before the invasion of Kuwait, the House rejected a provision that would have immediately cut off aid. The Senate gave its support to language to cut off Iraqi access to export credits and military sales programs.

''It failed,'' Schumer said when asked about congressional oversight.

The Reagan and Bush administrations opposed congressional attempts to cut off trade relations on grounds they would eliminate U.S. leverage with an important country in a sensitive part of the world.

In a 1988 letter, for instance, a State Department officer described Iraq as ''emerging from the Iran-Iraq war as a major regional power aligned with many of our friends in the region.''

The letter cited U.S. abhorrence of Iraq's use of chemical weapons but said, ''We should focus our efforts on persuading the Iraqis to abandon tactics they adopted in the struggle against Iran.''

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#90324u0581 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - An expert on the Soviet oil industry said Tuesday he is advising U.S. oil companies to go slow on making any deals with Moscow because of the "unsettled" political and economic situation gripping the Soviet Union.

"Things are a little dicey over there. They're going to get worse before they get better," said Robert Ebel, international vice president of Enserch Corp. in Washington.

A former CIA Soviet analyst, Ebel said several oil companies studying the feasibility of joint ventures with the Soviets have called him for advice. He declined to name the companies.

"I'm advising them that if you have a feasibility study going on, stretch it out; don't do a deal until the political and economic situation has settled. I would move slowly. I would stretch the negotiations out," he said in a telephone interview.

Texaco Inc. and Chevron Corp. are among the large oil companies studying the feasibility of drilling for oil in the Soviet Union. Two months ago, Chevron spokesman Mike Libbey said the San Francisco-based company hoped to complete a deal "by the end of the year."

On Tuesday, Libbey said: "It looks like that will slip until early next year. There's a little bit of uncertainty over the political situation. We're still optimistic, but there's a number of details to be worked out."

Ebel said there was a recent article in Pravda in which "locals" involved in Chevron's study of the Tengiz oil field near the Caspian Sea were complaining about "what's in it for us."

He said Chevron may be faced with a problem common to all dealing with the vast, fragmenting Soviet bureauracy: identifying and getting agreement from all interested parties.

It appears from the deteriorating Soviet economy that President Mikhail Gorbachev "has no plan. Everything is in reaction to circumstances," Ebel said.

Gorbachev has been in power for more than five years, but not much has happened to improve the economy, the analyst said. And, oil production of the world's largest producer has begun to decline.

If this winter is exceptionally cold, "no lights and no food on the table ... could result in the populace finding a way of stimulating things," Ebel said. During the 1970s and 1980s, the Soviet economy's poor performance "was masked by the exports of oil and gas," the analyst said.

Partly because the Soviets lack advanced technology available in the West, he said, daily crude oil output is declining sharply - from 12.1 million barrels a day in 1989 to 11.5 million projected for 1990.

Joint ventures with American and other western oil companies are very important to the Soviet Union because they have the technology needed to fully exploit the potential of its oil fields, he said.

Cheap Soviet oil was the glue that held together the bloc of Eastern European nations that the Soviets formerly led. But Moscow has said they will now have to start paying world prices for oil come January.

Phibro Energy Inc. said Monday it secured Soviet approval along with a Swiss company to drill for oil in three Siberian fields. The joint venture, with the U.S. division of Anglo-Suisse LP located in Houston, "will be the first of its kind to explore for and develop oil fields in the Soviet Union," said Phibro, a Greenwich, Conn., unit of New York-based Salomon Inc.

Ebel said, however, this deal is relatively small compared to the agreements being explored by Chevron and Texaco. Phibro's so-called "White Knights" venture, a 50-50 cooperative effort with the Varyegannefstegaz of the Soviet Union, will drill about 550 new horizontal wells in the project area and will attempt to complete 100 "shut-in" wells.

Phibro and Anglo-Suisse will be allowed to export their shares of the output under terms of the agreement, according to Phibro.

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#90324u0582 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (NOV. 20) UPI - (NOV. 20) UPI - Iraq promised Tuesday to release all Germans held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait, while President Bush answered questions on the Persian Gulf crisis by counseling, ''just be patient and all will be well.''

U.S. Gen. Colin Powell, meanwhile, said there is no evidence Iraq is really deploying a quarter of a million more troops in Kuwait as it announced Monday.

Bush, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and other European leaders in Paris for the European Security and Cooperation Conference held behind the scenes talks on how to oust Iraqi President Saddam Hussein from Kuwait, reports said Tuesday.

Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait triggered deployment of about a half-million U.S.-dominated troops in the gulf area, most of them in Saudi Arabia, to discourage further Iraqi adventurism.

In surprise announcements in the past two days, Saddam has said he will release all foreigners in stages beginning at Christmas and that he would send 250,000 more troops into the occupied emirate in what many observers called a carrot and stick tactic.

Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said in television interviews Tuesday he did not think Iraq was really sending more troops into the emirate it invaded Aug. 2.

''We have seen no evidence of these additional troops moving into the theatre '' he said in an interview with the CBS network.

Powell, who is in Saudi Arabia, said Iraq already had 430,000 troops in the tiny oil-rich emirate and that to move in more soldiers ''might present him with new vulnerabilities rather than added strength.''

He said the United States has about 230,000 troops in the region and is plananing to deploy another 100,000 in the coming months.

The German government welcomed an announcement by Baghdad radio that all German hostages in Iraq and Kuwait would be released, although it was not clear if the 280 nationals would be freed immediately.

The announcement came only days after German Chancellor Helmut Kohl warned

against a military option in the Persian Gulf in an interview broadcast during Bush's visit to Germany.

''The federal government has done everything it could since the beginning of the Kuwait crisis to obtain the release of all foreigners held in Iraq and Kuwait,'' government spokesman Hans Klein said in a statement.

Saddam was quoted Tuesday as saying Kohl's remarks on the Gulf were ''encouraging.''

Iraq on Sunday promised to release all 3,000 foreigners trapped in Iraq and Kuwait in batches beginning Christmas Day and ending March 25.

Bush, whose statements against Saddam in recent weeks has raised concerns he was planning a military strike against Iraq, called Tuesday for patience.

Asked at a photo session with Turkish leaders in Paris if he was disappointed that Gorbachev appeared to favor U.N.-imposed sanctions against Iraq rather than a military strike, Bush replied: ''Just be patient and all will be well.''

Gorbachev reportedly told Bush during a meeting in Paris Monday that he favored waiting for the economic sanctions to take affect and was not supportive of a U.N. resolution authorizing force against Iraq.

Bush's remark Tuesday recalled another by Gorbachev, who said Monday that ''we are prepared to show patience in the quest for a political solution. But we will remain strong and determined in implementing the rules of the United Nations.''

Bush met Tuesday with Turkish President Turgut Ozal, who has been strongly supportive of U.S. policies in the gulf but has advised giving the U.N. embargo more time to work.

''Turkey and the United States are side by side in this and nobody has been more steadfast than the Turks or Ozal, so I have no complaints, only gratitude '' Bush said during the photo session with the Turkish president.

In the meantime, Secretary of State James Baker held a second intensive meeting with Eduard Shevardnadze in further efforts to persuade the Soviet foreign minister on the value of the possible use of force against Iraq.

Saudi Arabia said Tuesday it would provide 3 million tons of crude oil worth $1.1 billion to Turkey, which has been hit hard by the oil and trade embargo against Iraq, Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency said.

In another development Tuesday, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said in an interview that Iraq invaded Kuwait because it needed money.

And Saudi diplomats in Tunis, Tunisia, denied reports their government was paying Egyptians and British mercenaries to defend the kingdom, MENA said.

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#90324u0586 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (NOV. 20) UPI - A landmark 34-nation European summit turned its sights Tuesday to the poverty, ethnic strife and pollution that survived the Cold War's dramatic burial.

''Following the opening of national borders, there must now be no borders that perpetuate the prosperity divide,'' said German Chancellor Helmut Kohl. ''The ideological gulfs that have been overcome must not be torn open again by social gaps.''

The euphoria of Monday's signing of a massive conventional arms treaty was tempered on the summit's second day by nagging reminders of Europe's many lingering problems.

Struggling Eastern European countries pleaded for membership in the wealthy European Community. Cyprus called for an ouster of Turkish troops. Spain said continued British rule of Gibraltar is ''anachronistic.'' The Soviet Baltic states protested their exclusion from the summit. Iceland said ''time is running out'' for an environmental solution.

The Persian Gulf crisis, while not on the formal summit agenda, was the main topic in private meetings away from the main conference setting, including a session between President Bush and Turkish President Turgut Ozal.

''Turkey and the United States are side by side in this and nobody has been more steadfast than the Turks,'' said Bush, who will visit U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia later this week.

Many heads of state at the 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe stressed the deep division of wealth between high- flying Western Europe and the emerging democracies of the crumbling Warsaw Pact.

''Our common future may be darkened by the sinister clouds of the resurging conflicts of bygone days, unless the split into a rich and a poor Europe, an 'A' and a 'B' class, is overcome,'' said Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki.

Bulgarian President Zhelyu Zhelev cautioned against a rise in ''pathetic chauvinism,'' warning that ''the real danger is nationalist sentiments being held up as state policy.''

Regional conflicts also peppered the discussion.

Spanish Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez said the British colony of Gibraltar is ''incompatible with the new Europe we want to build.'' Spain has long claimed the peninsula controlling access to the Mediterranean from the Atlantic Ocean, which has been a British possession since 1704.

The president of Cyprus, George Vassilou, said the presence since 1974 of Turkish troops in the northern 40 percent of the island nation ''is a European problem the solution of which is long overdue.''

A controversy involving the three Soviet Baltic republics also soured the summit's civility. The foreign ministers of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia were asked to the CSCE summit as ''special guests'' of the French government but the invitation was withdrawn when the Soviet Union objected.

''We hope that through friendly discussions with its mighty neighbor, the three Baltic countries will win their rightful independence and take their place alongside us,'' Icelandic Prime Minister Steingrimur Hermannsson said in his speech to the summit.

The Greek prime minister, Constantin Mitsotakis, said Europe should also allow Albania fully ''into the fold,'' providing the Albanian government continues its democratization process.

Albania is not a member of the CSCE, which includes the rest of Europe plus the United States and Canada. Even tiny San Marino and Malta are members.

Iceland's prime minister was joined by his Norwegian counterpart, Gro Harlem Brundtland, in urging immediate action on global warming, ozone depletion and ocean pollution. Kohl also called for CSCE leadership on the environment, which suffered from four decades of lax standards in the collapsed communist bloc.

The summit's second day was devoted to some 20 speeches, followed by a closed-door meeting of the 34 heads of state. French President Francois Mitterrand later hosted a ballet and formal dinner at the opulent Palace of Versailles.

On Monday, leaders of 22 NATO and Warsaw Pact countries signed the 110-page Conventional Forces in Europe treaty, which reduces the risk of surprise attack by setting sharp ceilings on tanks, artillery, combat vehicles and aircraft.

The three-day summit concludes around noon Wednesday with approval of the Charter of Paris for a New Europe, which institutionalizes the now- homeless CSCE as a sturdy model of East-West harmony.

CSCE will have a secretariat in Prague, an election-monitoring agency in Warsaw and a conflict-resolution center in Vienna. Summits will be held every two years, beginning in Helsinki in 1992, and foreign ministers will meet

yearly.

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#90324u0588 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	59,680,408	19	off 2 7/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	29,133,922	68 1/4	off 1 1/4
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	16,717,556	35 7/8	off 2
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	10,940,888	35 1/2	off 7/8
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	7,648,338	53 7/8	off 1 5/8
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	6,851,088	24 5/8	off 7/8
Nordstrom Inc	(NOBE)	5,771,763	22	up 1/4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	5,723,138	36 3/4	off 1/2
LIN Broadcstng	(LINB)	5,695,588	53 1/4	off 3
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	5,326,450	28 3/4	off 1 1/4

Composite Index 153.21 off 1.98

NMS volume 101,236,400 shares.

Advances	517
Declines	751
Unchanged	1,505
Total	2,773

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#90324u0600 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 20) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
BJ Services (4th Q 9-30)	
$96,950,000	$83,547,000
$6,896,000 (.53)	$5,551,000 (.43)
Caesars New Jersey (1st Q 10-31)	
$79,039,000	$87,069,000
$5,768,000 (.35)	$11,104,000 (.68)
Caesars World (1st Q 10-31)	
$235,598,000	$225,744,000
$14,017,000 (.60)	$17,510,000 (.71)
Clothestime Inc (3rd Q 10-27)	

$48,570,000 $48,846,000
d-$83,000 $2,285,000 (.16)
d-Deficit.

Dayton Hudson (3rd Q 11-3)
a-$3,625,000,000 $3,236,000,000
$58,000,000 (.72) $64,000,000 (.83)
a-Includes the results of Marshall Field's since June 24.

Gerber Scientific (2nd Q 10-31)
$68,235,000 $75,300,000
$2,896,000 (.12) $8,071,000 (.34)

Goal Systems (3rd Q 10-31)
$28,000,000 $19,700,000
$2,400,000 (.12) $2,000,000 (.10)

La-Z-Boy Chair (2nd Q 10-27)
$166,766,000 $159,307,000
$8,952,000 (.50) $8,783,000 (.49)

Medtronic Inc (2nd Q 10-31)
$254,626,000 $207,462,000
$28,683,000 (.97) $26,192,000 (.90)

Sharon Steel (3rd Q 9-30)
$247,629,000 $260,873,000
$39,757,000 (.61) d-$20,467,000
d-Deficit.

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#90324u0601 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Boeing Co	5,118,200	42 5/8	off 4 5/8
Varity Corp	3,087,800	2 1/8	unch
Texas Utilities	2,289,700	37 3/8	up 1/4
IBM Corp	2,000,300	113 3/8	off 1 3/8
Genl Electric	1,890,200	53 1/4	off 2 1/8
USF&G Corp	1,651,400	8	up 1/4
Citicorp	1,473,600	12 3/4	off 3/4
Philip Morris	1,385,000	48 5/8	off 3/8
Lilly Eli	1,379,500	66	off 2 3/8
Genl Motors	1,287,600	38 1/8	off 5/8
PepsiCo	1,273,800	25 1/2	off 1/2

Amer Express	1,214,100	20 1/2	off 1 1/8
Utd Telecomm	1,083,700	20 7/8	off 1 1/4
NCNB	1,052,900	25	unch
Champion Intl	1,045,400	24 1/2	off 1/4

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#90324u0606 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Fruit of Loom	514,700	7 1/8	up 3/8
Echo Bay Mines	403,400	9 1/8	off 7/8
Am Exploration	383,600	3 7/8	up 1/2
Energy Service	333,900	2 1/4	unch
Edisto Resourcs	251,300	11 1/2	up 1/2
Conquest Explor	244,200	1 1/2	up 1/4
Amdahl Corp	241,800	13 1/2	unch
Stevens Grphc A	178,700	4 7/8	unch
BAT Industries	177,600	10 3/4	off 1/4
Diasonics Inc	163,600	2	up 1/16

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#90324u0615 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FLA. (NOV. 20) UPI - The Atlantis astronauts, diverted by high winds in California, glided to a pinpoint touchdown Tuesday at the Kennedy Space Center, capping a successful military flight with the first Florida landing in 5 1/2 years.

Heralded by two shotgun-like sonic booms, Atlantis streaked just north of Disney World and Orlando at twice the speed of sound before gliding to a flawless touchdown at 4:43 p.m. EST on runway 33 at the Florida spaceport, one day late because of persistent crosswinds at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif.

Barreling down the 3-mile-long runway at more than 200 mph, commander Richard Covey gently brought Atlantis's nose down and pumped the shuttle's beryllium brakes to bring the ship to a stop after a 2- million-mile flight, presumably leaving a secret Pentagon spy satellite behind in orbit.

''Welcome home, that sure was a beautiful sight,'' astronaut Kenneth Bowersox radioed the crew from mission control in Houston as Atlantis came to a halt just a few miles from the launch pad where the flight began last Thursday.

Joining Air Force Col. Covey, 44, for the 79-orbit five-day mission were Navy Cmdr. Frank Culbertson, 41, the co-pilot, Army Maj. Charles Gemar, 35, Marine Corps Col. Robert Springer, 48, and Air Force Lt. Col. Carl Meade, who turned

40 Friday.

Wearing colorful orange, red and blue shirts, the astronauts climbed out of the orbiter about 45 minutes after landing, smiling and shaking hands with technicians and NASA officials as they conducted a brief inspection of their ship. The shuttle appeared to come through re-entry in excellent condition.

It was the sixth Florida shuttle landing in the 37 flights in the program's history and the first since April 19, 1985, when one of the shuttle Discovery's brakes locked up and a tire exploded after touchdown in a stiff crosswind.

''It was wonderful,'' said John Connelly, who watched the shuttle fly over Merritt Island along with hundreds of other spectators. ''I was at the last landing when they blew the tire. This was so unexpected and I'm happy to see them come back here.''

Added Catherine Smith of Cape Canaveral, Fla.: ''It was gorgeous! It's great to see the shuttle back home in Florida. I wish they'd land here all the time.''

The primary goal of the year's fifth shuttle mission - the seventh and last flight to be conducted in total secrecy - was accomplished Friday when the astronauts are believed to have deployed a classified Pentagon satellite that may ultimately be used to support U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf crisis.

With Atlantis back on the ground, NASA engineers plan to close out the year by launching the shuttle Columbia in just 12 days, on Dec. 2, to kick off a 10-day astronomy flight originally scheduled for May 30 but delayed by a series of hydrogen fuel leaks.

NASA managers would have preferred for Atlantis to land at Edwards, which has broad, lakebed runways that provide plenty of margin for error. But the forecast for Tuesday and Wednesday called for dangerously high crosswinds.

The last shuttle landing in Florida came April 19, 1985, when Discovery touched down in a stiff crosswind, forcing commander Karol ''Bo'' Bobko to use his landing gear brakes to steer the orbiter back to the center of the runway. One brake locked up as the ship rolled to a stop, causing a tire to explode.

As a result of the blowout and previous brake problems, NASA managers banned Florida landings until installation of more heat-resistant carbon-carbon brakes, nose-wheel steering and other safety features.

In its report to President Reagan, the Rogers Commission that investigated the Challenger disaster told NASA the shuttle's ''tire, brake and nosewheel steering systems must be improved.''

''Criteria must be established for tires, brakes and nosewheel steering,'' the panel wrote. ''Until the systems meet those criteria in high fidelity testing that is verified at Edwards, landing at Kennedy should not be planned.''

New heavy-duty carbon brakes were successfully tested in two post- Challenger shuttle landings at Edwards as was the ship's nosewheel steering system. In addition, grooves carved into the spaceport landing strip to improve traction were ground away after the Challenger accident to minimize tire damage.

Atlantis was not equipped with the newer carbon-carbon brakes. But even the shuttle's old-style beryllium brakes and landing gear were improved after the Challenger disaster with the addition of thicker axles and other changes to make them less susceptible to damage.

Under a cloak of secrecy, Atlantis blasted off from launch pad 39A at 6:48 p.m. Thursday to kick off the last fully classified shuttle flight. While two more military shuttle missions are planned for next year, the payloads of both have been declassified.

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#90324u0618 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 16 points higher to 39 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	74.45	74.74	74.30	74.50	74.34
Mar	73.60	73.90	73.21	73.26	73.65
May	73.96	74.10	73.40	73.48	73.95
Jly	74.20	74.55	73.82	73.82	74.20
Oct	67.78	67.81	67.76	67.70	67.78
Dec	65.60	65.60	65.40	65.37	65.53
Mar	66.20	66.20	66.20	66.05	66.28

Estimated sales: 6,500 contracts
Open interest: 44,462 off 513
The World spot average: 69.22

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#90324u0624 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	296.01	off 0.46
High Technology	307.50	off 1.43
Capital Goods	311.39	up 2.39
Consumer Goods	376.21	up 0.47
Service	672.85	off 3.60

Retail	947.54	off 7.75
Financial	352.28	up 1.99
Natural Resources	215.27	off 0.44
Housing-Const-Land	213.53	up 0.14

There was a loss of 2 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	389.12	off 2.71
Mid Atlantic	397.88	up 1.43
No Central	388.88	off 2.26
So Atlantic	828.93	off 4.54
So Central	301.22	up 0.83
Mountain	104.35	off 1.28
Pacific	338.14	off 0.10
Foreign	212.27	off 0.69

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#90324u0627 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 20) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev's top military adviser went to a breakaway Russian-speaking region of Moldavia Tuesday to work for cancellation of weekend elections that could spark serious ethnic clashes.

Marshal Sergei Akhromeyev, a Gorbachev aide who also represents Moldavia in the national legislature, was apparently pushing for a deal in which Moldavian officials would renounce efforts to break from the Soviet Union to join Romania and Russians and Ukrainians in the republic would drop efforts to separate from Moldavia.

Akhromeyev, acting as Gorbachev's personal representative, met with Moldavian officials in Kishinev, the republic's capital, Monday night and then rushed to Tiraspol, main city of the Dniester region of Russian speakers who have scheduled elections Sunday for a separate Parliament to wrest control of their area from Moldavia.

The military adviser, highly respected both in Moscow and his home republic, urged Moldavian leaders to denounce rumors they want to join Romania and instead agree to sign a new union treaty to remain part of the Soviet Union, the official news agency Tass said.

Akhromeyev then urged the representatives of the Dniester area to cancel or at least freeze for a short time elections for a Dniester legislature.

There was no indication either side had agreed to the deal, although an unidentified leader of one of the self-defense militias in the Dniester region was quoted on Soviet television Tuesday saying there would be no need for a separate Parliament if Russian speakers had assurances their rights would be protected and Moldavia would remain in the Soviet Union.

Moldavia's declaration of sovereignty, which came earlier this year in the wave of independence efforts by Soviet republics, alarmed the Gagauz, Ukrainian and Russian ethnic minorities in the republic who in turn declared their own autonomous regions.

Elections for a separate Parliament last month by the Turkic-speaking Gagauzis in southern Moldavia nearly resulted in major bloodshed when Moldavian vigilantes besieged the Gagauz region and Soviet Interior troops had to be called in to protect the Gagauzis.

Authorities fear more serious trouble if the Russians and Ukrainians in the 2niester region go ahead with their elections Sunday.

Two weeks ago there were confrontations between Moldavians and Russian speakers in the region because of rumors the elections were to be held early, and in the past week there have been reports of ethnic violence in Moldavia.

The official Soviet news agency Tass said witnesses reported Moldavian youths beat and robbed Russian speakers, including two members of the Moldavian Parliament, in Kishinev cafes late last week.

''A tense socio-political situation persists in the Moldavian capital, where inter-ethnic riots broke out at the end of last week,'' Moldavian Interior Minister Ion Kostash told the republic's Parliament Tuesday, adding that 61 people had been arrested.

City authorities in Tiraspol on Monday ordered the introduction of a state of emergency until Dec. 1 to ''prevent provocations'' during the weekend elections by Moldavians who live on the west bank of the Dniester, the Interfax independent news service said. The Russians live to the east of the river in the explosive area.

Interfax also said Moldavian militia members were being harrassed and in some cases kicked out of the Russian-speaking cities of the Dniester region, and workers' self-defense groups sealed off the city of Bendery, where telephone communications had been disrupted earlier in the week by explosions.

Soviet television showed women and children in the region sheltered together at a barracks because of fears of ethnic violence, and Interfax said some schools had been closed for several days.

In addition to the ethnic violence, anti-military disorders erupted in Kishinev Sunday, when 30 people broke into an officers' club, harangued the officers and threatened to set the building on fire, the Sovetsky Rossyia newspaper said. An army patrol managed to stop the rally by the Moldovians.

Others picketed army headquarters in Kishinev on Sunday, shouting, ''Occupiers

- go back to Russia,'' the Krasnaya Zvezda army newspaper said. ''The situation remains complicated and unpredictable,'' the newspaper said.

A republic of 4.3 million people, Moldavia is largely an artificial creation that was formed by joining a former Moldavian autonomous area with large areas of Romania that Josef Stalin seized in 1940 as part of a secret pact with Nazi Fuhrer Adolf Hitler.

Moldavians, whose language is Romanian, make up 63.98 percent of the population of the republic, Ukrainians 14.2 percent, Russians 12.8 percent, Gagauzis 3.5 percent and Jews 2 percent in the tiny republic, covering 13,000 square miles.

Like 14 of the 15 Soviet republics, Moldavia has declared its sovereignty and in the upsurge of nationalism sweeping the country it has changed the name of the republic from Moldavia to the Romanian name Moldova.

But Moldavia, just as other republics, has been hit with a boomeranging nationalism by smaller nationalities worried that their status will be infringed by the republican leaders carried away by narrow nationalism.

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#90324u0633 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.21	up 0.06
10 Public Utils	92.23	up 0.04
10 Industrials	88.20	up 0.09

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#90324u0638 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (NOV. 20) UPI - Los Angeles Lakers All-Star forward James Worthy pleaded innocent Tuesday to charges he solicited sex from two female undercover police officers.

Worthy, 29, was arraigned Tuesday before Harris County Court-at-Law Judge Jimmy Duncan on two counts of solicitation of prostitution, a Class B misdemeanor. Duncan set a Jan. 28 trial date.

Worthy was arrested last Thursday at a Houston hotel after he allegedly called an escort service and requested two women. Police said phone calls to the escort service were being monitored by the vice squad.

Two female undercover officers went to the hotel where Worthy, who was in Houston with his teammates to play the Rockets, allegedly offered to pay both

women for sex.

If convicted, Worthy would face fines up to $1,000 and/or six months in jail on each count.

Worthy declined comment Tuesday as he and his attorney, Cornel Williams, led reporters down a stairway and halfway around the courthouse and back. Worthy then got into a car and left, and Williams made a short statement recanting what had occurred in court.

''We are currently in the process of accumulating all particular facts related to the case,'' Williams said. ''At this point, we have no further comment.''

The charges state that Worthy did ''in a public place knowingly solicit (the undercover officers) to engage with the defendant in sexual conduct, namely, deviant sexual intercourse, for hire.''

Last weekend in Los Angeles, Worthy told reporters the incident is ''a tough problem, but it's not going to go away. I know I've hurt some people badly, and I've got to address that. I'm just going to go out and play. I'm not looking for sympathy.''

Worthy, a seven-time All-Star, has been instrumental in the Lakers winning three league championships since he was the first pick in the 1982 draft. He was the Most Valuable Player of the 1988 NBA Finals.

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#90324u0640 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 20) UPI - List: corporate dividends

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Extra				
Wiser Oil Co	..	.10	12-10	11-30
Increased				
AmSouth Bancorp	Q	.36	1-2	12-14
Usual				
Barden Corp	Q	.25	12-14	11-30
Cincinnati Fincl	Q	.61	1-5	12-21
Greenwich Fincl	Q	.07	1-21	1-9
Mid Am Inc	Q	.24	12-20	12-10
Mid-America Bncp	Q	.15	1-4	12-14
Perkin-Elmer Corp	Q	.17	1-2	12-3
Texas Utilities	Q	.74	1-2	12-3

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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#90324u0641 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (NOV. 20) UPI - The shuttle Atlantis glided to the sixth Florida shuttle landing in 37 missions Tuesday after high winds blocked a landing in California. Here is a list of all shuttle landings at the Kennedy Space Center:

-Feb. 11, 1984: The shuttle Challenger, carrying a crew of five, glided to the first touchdown on the Kennedy Space Center's 3-mile-long shuttle runway at 7:16 a.m. EST to close out an eight-day mission highlighted by the unsuccessful launches of two communications satellites.

-Oct. 13, 1984: Challenger landed at 12:27 p.m. EDT after an eight- day flight that included the first spacewalk by an American woman and the launch of an environmental satellite.

-Nov. 16, 1984: The shuttle Discovery landed at 7 a.m. EST to close out an eight-day mission highlighted by the launches of two communications satellites and the retrieval of the two relay stations that were stranded in a useless orbit February 1984.

-Jan. 27, 1985: Discovery landed at 4:23 p.m. EST to bring the first military shuttle flight to a successful conclusion.

-April 19, 1985: Discovery landed at 8:54 a.m. EST in a stiff crosswind. Commander Karol ''Bo'' Bobko used the shuttle's brakes to bring the ship back to the center of the runway and just before Discovery rollwed to a stop, a brake locked up and a landing gear tire blew out. NASA managers then banned Florida landings until new safety systems could be developed and tested.

-Nov. 20, 1985: Atlantis glides to a touchdown at 4:43 p.m. EST to wind up the 12th post-Challenger mission, the fifth so far this year and the first in more than five years to end with a landing in Florida.

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#90324u0642 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2561.39	2574.50	2524.01	2530.20	off 35.15
20 Trans	866.86	871.30	847.26	853.00	off 14.79
15 Utils	208.31	208.94	206.17	207.05	off 1.64
65 Stock	893.85	898.09	879.68	883.09	off 12.08

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Tuesday	Monday
Indus	20,649,600	17,039,200
Trans	3,077,600	2,680,600

Utils	3,401,900	2,152,200
65 Stock	27,129,100	21,872,000

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.21	up 0.06
10 Public Utils	92.23	up 0.04
10 Industrials	88.20	up 0.09

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 124.35 off 1.46.

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#90324u0644 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 20) UPI - The Commerce Department reports a six-percent drop in housing starts for the month of October. It was the ninth straight monthly decline and the lowest level since June 1982 in the last recession. According to the department, permits for new construction were down six percent for the month. Compared with October 1989, housing starts have fallen 26-point- eight percent.

Arab radio reports say President Bush has failed to persuade Soviet President Gorbachev to sanction the use of military force against Iraq. The reports say the Soviet leader continues to press for a peaceful solution to the standoff in the Persian Gulf. The superpower leaders and their European counterparts reportedly held behind-the-scenes talks today in Paris on how to oust Saddam Hussein from Kuwait.

The talks come as Iraq, in a surprise move, announced it will send 250-thousand more troops to Kuwait in anticipation of a possible attack from the U-S-led force in the region. One West European military attache in Cairo says Saddam will have to pull troops away from his border with Iran to reinforce Kuwait. But the official says that only certain units such as the elite Presidential Guards could be relied upon to function efficiently.

There are more high winds in the forecast today for California's Mojave Desert where the shuttle Atlantis is tentatively scheduled to land this afternoon to wrap up its military mission. The Atlantis astronauts enjoyed an extra day in space today after high winds forced the crew to abort yesterday's landing attempt minutes before a critical rocket firing to drop the ship out of orbit.

Medical researchers are sharply critical of the federal Food and Drug Administration over the controversial drug R-U-486. The researchers charge a government ban on the French abortion pill in the United States is derailing promising medical research into diseases ranging from breast cancer to AIDS. F-D-A officials defend their decision, saying the drug can cause serious side effects like bleeding and may be used without a doctor's supervision.

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#90324u0645 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	348.29	off	4.44	352.87	454.14
Industrial	376.07	off	4.21	375.94	441.75
Finance	344.67	off	3.49	346.93	523.95
Insurance	416.75	off	1.98	419.43	548.24
Utility	443.21	off	15.46	493.12	731.66
Bank	250.24	off	2.36	248.32	422.29
Transport	385.45	off	1.02	388.32	473.47

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 153.21 off 1.98
Industrial Index 149.50 off 1.67
NASDAQ-100 Index 366.63 off 7.45

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#90324u0657 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 20) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	232.40	232.40	229.00	229.00	232.80
Mar	234.25	234.30	231.00	234.80	231.05
Jun	....	....	....	237.00	233.25

Estimated volume: 162 contracts.
Open interest: 1,313 up 56.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	320.90	321.40	316.50	321.15	316.80
Mar	323.50	323.80	319.05	319.40	323.80
Jun	324.30	324.50	322.10	322.40	326.65
Sep	....	329.55	325.00	325.20	329.35

Estimated volume: 44,686 contracts.
Open interest: 155,885 off 2,542.

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.

Dec 174.95 175.25 172.70 172.80 175.20
Mar 176.35 176.35 174.05 174.10 176.45
Jun 176.50 176.50 175.50 175.40 177.75 Open interest: 5,027 up 186.
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	541.00	542.20	536.10	536.50	541.40
Jan	544.00	544.15	538.00	538.60	543.30
Feb	....	....	....	538.70	543.50

Estimated volume: 2,438 contracts.
Open interest: 6,495 off 2,286.

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#90324u0663 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	126,683,100
Advances	710
Declines	1,134
Unchanged	2,369
Total	4,213

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#90324u0669 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 20) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	10	8	18
New lows	47	44	45

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	509	29,707,000
Declines	1,035	111,891,000
Unchanged	457	19,572,000
Total	2,001	161,170,000

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#90324u0671 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 20) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	10
New lows	35

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	193	4,698,100
Declines	266	3,661,800
Unchanged	345	2,290,100

Total 804 10,650,000

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#90324u0672 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	353.63	347.97	348.29	off 4.44
Industrial	381.39	375.82	376.07	off 4.21
Finance	348.44	344.04	344.67	off 3.49
Insurance	420.65	415.60	416.75	off 1.98
Utility	458.37	440.08	443.21	off 15.46
Bank	253.68	249.30	250.24	off 2.36
Transport	388.04	384.93	385.45	off 1.02

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	153.21 off 1.98
Industrial Index	149.50 off 1.67
NASDAQ-100 Index	366.63 off 7.45

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share	7.92 off 0.10
Volume	101,236,400 shares
Advances	517
Declines	751
Unchanged	1,505
Total	2,773

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(NOV. 20) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.63	7.72	8.50
91-day Treasury bills	7.32	7.34	7.64
182-day Treasury bills	7.42	7.44	7.43
1-year Treasury bills	7.34	7.32	7.18
3-year Treasury notes	7.71	7.74	7.73
7-year Treasury notes	8.20	8.24	7.83
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.47	8.52	7.90
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.00	8.98	8.65
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.70	9.75	9.20
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.86	8.87	8.90

GNMA 8	30-year mortgage	9.11	9.15	8.86
FNMA 8.5	30-year mortgage	9.31	9.36	9.11
Freddie Mac	30-year mortgage	9.28	9.34	9.09

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL (NOV. 20) UPI - In an attempt to brake business bankruptcies and requests for receivership, the government Tuesday adopted rigorous new bankruptcy regulations. A wave of bankruptcies and requests for receivership has shakens Brazil's financial markets.

The measures seek to avoid fraudulent bankruptcies and requests for receivership and to protect creditors from businesses with financial problems, said Antonio Kandir, the Brazilian secretary of national economic policy.

Receivership is a step taken by companies as a means to avoid bankruptcy. A company in receivership is operated by a court-appointed trustee who tries to solve the company's financial problems while it is being protected from creditors.

Under the new regulations, financially troubled businesses can seek receivership status from a judge, but they will have to pay their accumulated debts, incorporating current inflation and bank interest rates - rates currently ranging from 25 percent to 30 percent. Also, businesses seeking receivership will be required to open their books to independent auditors to prove that they are on the verge of bankruptcy.

Previously, troubled businesses seeking receivership had only to pay 40 percent of their debts within a year and the rest during the following year. The annual interest rate was 12 percent, regardless of the inflation rate and the balance.

The changes enacted covering bankruptcy and receivership are expected toincreases the possibility of reducing Brazil's inflation in the next months, Kandir said.

Financial sources estimate that banks are currently incorporating into their interest rates possible losses they might suffer from the increasing number of

businesses bankruptcies and requests for receivership.

The recession that has spread through the Brazilian economy since President Fernando Collor de Mello announced a far-ranging economic austerity plan eight months ago has led to at least 70 large or medium-sized businesses filing bankruptcy or seeking receivership, principally as a result of decreased sales and higher interest rates.

In the business community, "the situation is far from peaceful," said Gil Deschatre, director of the Sao Paulo-based financial consulting firm Deschatre & Almeida.

Corporate financial problems have sparked debate between government officials and business owners, largely reflecting the increase in interest rates and the fact that Collor's economic plan has not been able to eliminate inflation.

Government sources said that Collor was to defend his economic plan Wednesday in a speech set for broadcast over national radio and television networks.

Since the March 16 announcement of Collor's economic plan, considered the most drastic in Brazilian history, the government has strongly raised interest rates in an effort to inhibit consumption and combat inflation. The plan froze approximately $80 million in bank accounts, decreased government spending, restricted the money supply and tightened bank credit.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	374.31	223.73	141.18	22.27	319.34
Opening	373.63	223.66	141.06	22.09	318.67
11 a.m.	373.23	223.11	140.66	21.99	318.17
Noon	371.71	222.01	140.47	21.84	316.92
1 p.m.	371.69	222.19	140.41	21.80	316.86
2 p.m.	371.80	222.29	140.53	21.83	317.01
3 p.m.	370.82	221.60	140.30	21.74	316.18
Close	369.66	221.08	140.15	21.71	315.31
Change	off 4.65	off 2.65	off 1.03	off 0.56	off 4.03

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LIMA, PERU (NOV. 20) UPI - Police, using tear gas and water cannons, broke up a march by thousands of striking government workers Tuesday and Prime Minister Juan Hurtado Miller threatened to fire workers who do not return to their

posts.

Groups of demonstrators blocked off roads at midday in the capital, causing dozens of shopowners to close down for fear of looting, witnesses said. A union leader representing the striking workers said police arrested 19 demonstrators. "In the face of the hunger of our children and the misery that our families are living, we have no option but to protest," he said.

He said state workers were demanding an increase in monthly wages, now the equivalent of $20. In July 1985, workers earned the equivalent of $100, he said, pointing out inflation and a fluctuating exchange rate have meant a sharp fall in earnings. Inflation rose 397 percent in August but eased off to increase by 13.8 percent in September.

Prime Minister Hurtado Miller, who also serves as Peru's minister of economy and finances, said Tuesday afternoon the government plans to use a recent presidential decree regulating strikes to justify firing Wednesday those state workers who refuse to return to their posts.

Starting Wednesday, Hurtado Miller said, police and military forces would guard hospitals and social security posts to ward off possible attacks by demonstrators.

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LONDON (NOV. 20) UPI - Michael Heseltine, the man they call Tarzan, battled Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher to a draw Tuesday, and the two former allies who are now bitter enemies are set for a rematch next week.

For Heseltine, 57, rallying enough votes to force a second ballot on whether Thatcher should be swept from the Conservative Party leadership and power kept alive a lifelong dream of holding Britain's top elective office.

While a student at Oxford University, he once wrote his goals in life on the back of an envelop. The last item on his list was to be prime minister.

Heseltine, who is mildly dyslexic, started as a clerk and ended up as owner of the Haymarket Publishing Group, a private company estimated worth nearly dlrs 100 million, according to The Guardian newspaper, making him one of the wealthiest men in Parliament.

While in his 20s, he turned a $2,000 inheritance into a property fortune but nearly went bankrupt in the 1960s.

After two failures, he won election to Parliament in 1966 and served in the Ted Heath administration.

Heseltine was the pinup of the Conservative government. The popular press dubbed him ''Tarzan'' for his tall, lean figure and mane of thick blond hair. He also demonstrated some of his namesake's boldness and love of battle.

''Mr. Heseltine nowadays gives the impression he wrestles with a python or two before breakfast, to get in the mood for the day,'' a newspaper columnist once said.

An outburst during a House of Commons debate in 1976 etched the Tarzan label in the public consciousness and in the pages of the tabloid press.

The Conservatives were in opposition, and some members of the ruling Labor Party began singing the socialist hymn, ''The Red Flag,'' in the chamber.

''He was infuriated,'' said Philip Norton, a political scientist at Hull University. ''He was so infuriated that he rushed forward and picked up the mace, which is the symbol of the authority of the Parliament, and waved the mace.''

Heseltine became defense secretary in January 1983 under Thatcher, using his considerable oratory style to fight off Britain's voluble antinuclear campaigners. He ended up fighting with Thatcher and resigned in January 1986 in an audacious challenge to her style of government.

Heseltine wanted the government to intervene and save Britain's only helicopter manufacturer against Thatcher's wishes. He quit the Cabinet when he refused to be muzzled over the affair by her autocratic leadership.

He has spent the past five years, speaking at local party events, writing books and articles, often critical of Thatcher's policies on European unity.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	174.22	172.48	172.48	off 1.86
Industrial	215.31	213.27	213.27	off 2.32
Transport	136.19	134.62	134.62	off 1.57
Utility	89.42	88.95	88.95	off 0.61
Finance	116.13	114.93	114.93	off 1.82

Equivalent to a loss of 33 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 161,170,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Tue	Mon	Tue	Mon
Argntn austral	.000195	.000194	5135.00	5145.00
Australia dlr	.7670	.7645	1.3038	1.3080
Austria schill	.0967	.0978	10.34	10.23
Belgium franc-c	.0328	.0329	30.49	30.41
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0087	.0088	114.95	113.49
Britain pound	1.9650	1.9702	.5089	.5076
Britain 1-mo	1.9549	1.9600	.5115	.5102
Britain 3-mo	1.9377	1.9429	.5161	.5147
Britain 6-mo	1.9177	1.9230	.5215	.5200
Canada dollar	.8630	.8602	1.1588	1.1625
Canada 1-mo	.8598	.8571	1.1631	1.1667
Canada 3-mo	.8543	.8517	1.1706	1.1741
Canada 6-mo	.8475	.8448	1.1800	1.1837
Chile peso-f	.003255	.003268	307.18	306.02
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001859	.001862	537.82	537.08
Denmark krne	.1775	.1775	5.6338	5.6338
Ecudr sucre-z	.001180	.001179	847.28	848.25
Egypt pound	.3614	.3614	2.7670	2.7670
Finlnd mrkka	.2818	.2834	3.5480	3.5280
France franc	.2010	.2012	4.9745	4.9695
France 1-mo	.2007	.2009	4.9822	4.9770
France 3-mo	.2001	.2002	4.9970	4.9943
France 6-mo	.1987	.1991	5.0315	5.0230
Greece drach	.006654	.006684	150.28	149.62
Hollnd guildr	.6019	.6022	1.6615	1.6605
HongKong dlr	.1284	.1283	7.7865	7.7920
India rupee	.0558	.0558	19.92	17.93
Indo'sa rupia	.000538	.000538	1859.00	1858.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.8175	1.8175	0.5502	0.5502
Israel shekel	.5110	.5110	1.9570	1.9570
Italy lira	.000903	.000903	1108.00	1108.00
Japan yen	.007760	.007752	128.86	129.00

Japan 1-mo	.007758	.007758	128.90	128.90
Japan 3-mo	.007816	.007816	127.95	127.95
Japan 6-mo	.007924	.007924	126.20	126.20
Jordan dinar	1.5555	1.5555	.6429	.6429
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000343	.000343	2913.00	2913.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6122	.6095	1.6335	1.6407
Norway krne	.1733	.1741	5.7700	5.7450
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	423,550	428,475
P'pnes peso-z	.0366	.0370	27.31	27.05
Portugl escud	.007728	.007761	129.40	128.85
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5851	.5855	1.7090	1.7080
S.Africa rand	.3976	.3977	2.5152	2.5142
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010672	.010701	93.70	93.45
Sweden krona	.1805	.1810	5.5400	5.5260
Switzrl franc	.8035	.8032	1.2445	1.2450
Switzrl 1-mo	.8033	.8030	1.2449	1.2454
Swirzrl 3-mo	.8024	.8020	1.2463	1.2469
Switzrl 6-mo	.8012	.8009	1.2481	1.2486
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0374	26.75	26.75
Turkey lira	.000365	.000365	2736.00	2737.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0203	.0203	49.27	49.27
Germany mark	.6787	.6789	1.4733	1.4730
Germany 1-mo	.6785	.6787	1.4738	1.4735
Germany 3-mo	.6773	.6774	1.4765	1.4763
Germany 6-mo	.6750	.6751	1.4814	1.4812
Yugosl dinar	.0988	.0993	10.12	10.07

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - A Bronx bodega was firebombed early Tuesday, injuring two employees slightly, in what police said was the 196th strike-related incident reported since nine unions struck the Daily News four weeks ago.

The latest violence was reported on the 27th day of the strike of 2, 500 News

employees that has not stopped the newspaper's publication but has forced management to cancel a visit by Santa Claus to its Manhattan headquarters.

A man tossed a Molotov cocktail fashioned from a bottle into the store at 190 West Tremont Ave. at 3:30 a.m., igniting a fire that almost totally destroyed the bodega, said Officer Janice Swinney, a police spokeswoman.

Two people working at the all-night grocery were slightly injured but refused medical aid, the officer said.

The owner of the store, who was not identified, told police that a man came into the store five hours before the firebombing and warned him to stop selling the News, Swinney said, adding that no arrests have been made in the incident.

She said it was the 196th incident believed to be connected to the strike that has been reported to police. Some 89 arrests have been made in connection with the violence that has included attacks on News delivery trucks, intimidation of vendors, and fights between strikers and News-hired security guards.

Fearing harassment of school children and other members of the public, the News - owned by the Tribune Co., of Chicago - announced that it will not have its usual Santa Claus in the lobby of the Daily News Building on East 42nd Street or concerts by school choirs.

''But we are putting up decorations and it looks lovely,'' said Lisa Robinson, Daily News spokeswoman.

The Newspaper Guild, which represents striking editorial workers, said Santa and his assistant, Twinkle-Toes, have traditionally been members of the Guild.

Norman Siegal, head of the New York chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, said he planned to file a lawsuit in federal court in Brooklyn Tuesday challenging the police department's refusal to allow strikers to picket a second entrance at the newspaper's downtown Brooklyn plant.

On Nov. 7, the ACLU won an agreement that allowed strikers to picket the plant's main entrance, but shortly afterwards, the News began bringing in replacement workers through a second entrance, Siegal said.

Last week, police rejected a request by strikers to set up pickets outside the second entrance. ''For strikers to have meaningful First Amendment rights, they need to target that entrance,'' Siegal said.

A police spokesman said the department would have no comment until the suit is filed and can be reviewed.

Police officials on Monday told George McDonald, head of the coalition of

striking unions, that the security firm working for News management, identified as Special Response Corp. of Towson, Md., had been fired. At least six guards from Special Response have been arrested in fights with strikers and union sympathizers, police said.

McDonald, president of the Allied Printing Trades Council, met Monday with Police Commissioner Lee Brown to investigate allegations that police have become increasingly hostile to strikers.

The charge was made Sunday by the American Civil Liberties Union in a letter addressed to Brown.

Brown insisted Monday that his department was impartial. ''The Police Department will not change,'' the commissioner told reporters after the closed-door meeting. ''Neutrality will be the basis by which we carry out our business. Our basic objective is to maintain the peace.''

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#90324u0764 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

TEMPE, AZ (NOV. 20) UPI - Chase Manhattan Bank, which has been expanding its credit card operations, said Tuesday it plans to open a new Western credit card operations center in Arizona that will employ 2,000 people by 1995.

The bank, which has increased the number of credit card accounts from six million to nine million during the past two years, said the 300,000 square-foot center would begin operations in early 1992 and employ 500 people. By the end of 1993, the employment figure should expand to 1,100, the bank said. Construction is slated to begin in January, with completion targeted for a year later.

Chase, which trails only Citibank in the U.S. credit card business, currently operates three processing centers in Wilmington, Del., Garden City, N.Y. and Tampa, Fla., with more than 2,500 employees. Chase said it has agreed in principle to lease with an option to buy the new center at the Centerpoint Development Project in Tempe, a suburb of Phoenix.

Since the start of 1989, Chase has acquired two million new accounts through the acquisition of credit card portfolios from five banks and thrifts, said spokesman Ken Mills. It has also expanded its own credit card business by one million acocunts during that time, Mills said. Chase said the portfolio includes personal unsecured revolving outstanding credit in excess of $10 billion.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Oakland outfielder Rickey Henderson, who used power

and speed to lead the Athletics to their third straight pennant, Tuesday won the American League Most Valuable Player Award over Detroit home run king Cecil Fielder.

Henderson earned 14 of the 28 first-place votes from a committee of the Baseball Writers Association of America. He totalled 317 points. Fielder, the first major-leaguer to hit 50 home runs since 1977, collected 10 first-place votes and 286 points. Henderson and Fielder were the only players to be named on all ballots.

Boston pitching ace Roger Clemens garnered three-first place votes and finished third. Oakland reliever Dennis Eckersley received the other first-place vote.

Two writers from each American League city were asked to name 10 players on their ballots. The point system was 14 for first, 9 for second, 8 for third, etc.

Henderson is the fourth Oakland player to win the MVP and second in three years. Jose Canseco claimed the honor in 1988, Reggie Jackson in 1973 and Vida Blue in 1971. The A's also provided this year's AL Cy Young recipient in Bob Welch.

Henderson led the majors with 119 runs scored and hit .325 to finish second in the AL batting race to Kansas City's George Brett. He also hit a career-high 28 home runs, knocked in 61 runs and stole 65 bases. He'll enter next season two steals short of Lou Brock's career record of 938.

His season ended when Oakland was swept by Cincinnati in the World Series. Henderson lifted the A's to the World Series title in 1989 after Oakland acquired him from the Yankees in midseason.

Fielder became the 11th player in major-league history to hit 50 homers in a season. His 51 home runs were the most hit by a player since George Foster belted 52 for Cincinnati in 1977.

Fielder accomplished all this after a one-year hiatus in Japan. He had been a part-time player in four seasons with the Toronto Blue Jays before being sold to the Hanshin Tigers.

This season he helped transform the Detroit Tigers from a last-place team into a third-place club. Fielder also led the majors with 132 RBI.

His most impressive home run, other than his 50th on the final day of the season, was a blast he hit over the left-field roof at Tiger Stadium against Oakland's Dave Stewart. Harmon Killebrew and Frank Howard are the only other players to hit homers over the left-field roof in Detroit.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - American League MVP Award winners:

1990-Rickey Henderson, Oakland
1989-Robin Yount, Milwaukee
1988-Jose Canseco, Oakland
1987-George Bell, Toronto
1986-Roger Clemens, Boston
1985-Don Mattingly, New York
1984-Willie Hernandez, Detroit
1983-Cal Ripken Jr. , Baltimore
1982-Robin Yount, Milwaukee
1981-Rollie Fingers, Milwaukee
1980-George Brett, Kansas City
1979-Don Baylor, Oakland
1978-Jim Rice, Boston
1977-Rod Carew, Minnesota
1976-Thurman, Munson, New York
1975-Fred Lynn, Boston
1974-Jeff Burroughs, Texas
1973-Reggie Jackson, Oakland
1972-Dick Allen Chicago
1971-Vida Blue, Oakland
1970-Boog Powell, Baltimore
1969-Harmon Killebrew, Minnesota
1968-Denny McLain, Detroit
1967-Carl Yastrzemski, Boston
1966-Frank Robinson, Baltimore
1965-Zoilo Versalles, Minnesota
1964-Brooks Robinson, Baltimore
1963-Elston Howard, New York
1962-Mickey Mantle, New York
1961-Roger Maris, New York
1960-Roger Maris, New York
1959-Nellie Fox, Chicago
1958-Jackie Jensen, Boston
1957-Mickey Mantle, New York
1956-Mickey Mantle, New York
1955-Yogi Berra, New York
1954-Yogi Berra, New York
1953-Al Rosen, Cleveland
1952-Bobby Shantz, Philadelphia
1951-Yogi Berra, New York
1950-Phil Rizzuto, New York
1949-Ted Williams, Boston
1948-Lou Boudreau, Cleveland

1947-Joe DiMaggoio, New York
1946-Ted Williams, Boston
1945-Hal Newhouser, Detroit
1944-Hal Newhouser, Detroit
1943-Spud Chandler, New York
1942-Joe Gordon, New York
1941-Joe DiMaggio, New York
1940-Hank Greenberg, Detroit
1939-Joe DiMaggio, New York
1938-Jimmie Foxx, Boston
1937-Charley Gehringer, Detroit
1936-Lou Gehrig, New York
1935-Hank Greenberg, Detroit
1934-Mickey Cochrane, Detroit
1933-Jimmie Foxx, Philadelphia
1932-Jimmie Foxx, Philadelphia
1931-Lefty Grove, Philadelphia

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(NOV. 20) UPI - Authorities in Bonn, Germany, say they are trying to confirm today's Radio Baghdad report that Saddam Hussein will free 180 Germans held in Iraq. The radio says the gesture is designed to show respect for Chancellor Helmut Kohl's attitude toward the gulf crisis. Kohl has warned against what he termed any hasty military action... and said he's convinced the conflict will be resolved peacefully.

President Bush took a relatively laid-back approach today when answering reporters questions about moves to end the Persian Gulf crisis with diplomacy. He told a group during a photo opportunity in Paris to- in his words- ''Just be patient and all will be well.'' Bush was asked if he's irritated at the stand of Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev who appears to be holding back on support of any U-N resolution to unleash military forces now drawn up against Iraq's Saddam Hussein. The Bush comment came as he met with Turkey's President Turgut Ozal who, in recent days, has advised that the U-N embargo against Iraq should be given more time to work.

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl says the end of the Cold War means that a newly united Germany can become a ''cornerstone'' for a peaceful Europe. Kohl's speech to other world leaders drawn together in Paris comes one year after the once-hated Berlin Wall came down, leading to the eventual unification of both Germanys. National elections are now set for Germany on December 2nd and the latest survey indicates a majority of the voters want to keep Kohl as chancellor.

The October housing figures are out and the pace of construction is down for a record ninth straight month. The Commerce Department reports a six-percent

drop in housing starts last month while the issuance of permits needed for future construction was down six-point-eight percent. Both figures are now at their lowest since June 1982, when the nation was locked into its last recession. And October housing starts are 26- point-eight percent below where they were in October of last year.

Police in Boston are holding eight alleged gang members without bail on charges they killed a 26-year-old mother in a park on Halloween night. Police say the woman was beaten with a tree limb, gang-raped and stabbed dozens of times. The arrests in the Dorchester neighborhood follow a two-week-long probe into what one officer calls an apparent case of ''wilding.'' The suspects have pleaded innocent to charges of murder, rape and robbery.

Lawyers for deposed Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega are asking a judge to fine the Cable News Network 600-thousand dollars for broadcasting jailhouse recordings of Noriega's phone calls to his lawyers. C-N-N broadcast part of those tapes after a judge ordered it NOT to. The lawyers want the fine money to go toward Noriega's legal defense. Attorney John May says the lawyers will make the request before a U-S District in Miami today. C-N-N has agreed to turn over the tapes so a federal magistrate can determine if they contain information that would compromise the trial.

We've all heard that Montreal, Canada, and Seattle, Washington, are very livable cities. But what about the dogs... those places you'd think people were itching to leave? According to the latest study by a group called the Population Crisis Committee, the five largest cities with the worst living conditions are Lagos, Nigeria... Kinshasa, Zaire... Kanpur, India... Dhaka, Bangladesh... and Recife , Brazil. The lowest-ranking U-S cities scored high enough to make a rating of ''good.'' Those include San Diego, Boston, New York and Los Angeles.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Voting for the American League MVP Award as conducted by the Baseball Writers Association of America (listing 1st place votes in parentheses and total points):

Rickey Hendersdon, Oakland (14) 317 points
Cecil Fielder, Detroit (10) 286.
Roger Clemens, Boston (3) 212.
Kelly Gruber, Toronto 175.
Bobby Thigpen, Chicago 170.
Dennis Eckersley, Oakland (1) 112.
Dave Stewart, Oakland, 112.
George Brett, Kansas City 60.
Bob Welch, Oakland 54.
Fred McGriff, Toronto 30.

Mark McGwire, Oakland 29.
Jose Canseco, Oakland 26.
Ellis Burks, Boston 25.
Rafael Palmeiro, Texas 22.
Carlton Fisk, Chicago 16.
Dave Parker, Milwaukee 11.
Ozzie Guillen, Chicago 10.
Jody Reed, Boston 9.
Ken Griffey Jr., Seattle 7.
Alan Trammell, Detroit 7.
Tony Pena, Boston 6.
Wade Boggs, Boston 5.
Doug Jones, Cleveland 3.
Cal Ripken Jr., Baltimore 2.
Nolan Ryan, Texas 1.
Dave Stieb, Toronto 1.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - The nation's supplies of crude oil last week dipped sharply below the same week a year earlier, when stocks were rising, the American Petroleum Institute reported Tuesday.

For the week ended Nov. 16, the weekly oil industry survey found crude oil inventories slipped by 4.2 million barrels to 341.2 million from 345.4 million the prior week - 7.7 million barrels below year-ago levels of 348.9 million.

U.S. crude supplies fell below year-ago levels in late October for the first time this year as Middle East imports dropped after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the U.N. embargo subsequently placed on Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports.

Prior to the invasion, crude supplies were 55 million barrels higher than year-ago levels as refiners bought up crude at the lower prices existing at the time.

On a daily basis, imports of crude last week gained 400,000 barrels to 5.2 million from 4.8 million in the previous week but were less than year-ago imports of 6.0 million barrels, the API said.

Inventories of distillate - used for home-heating oil and diesel fuel - slipped to 134.5 million barrels from 135.8 million a week earlier but remained well above year-ago levels of 119.3 million barrels.

Daily distillate production fell off to 2.8 million barrels from 2.9 million in the preceding week and was less than year-ago output of 3.0 million barrels.

Distillate imports plummeted to 98,000 barrels a day from 400,000 a day in the

previous week. Year-ago imports were 296,000 barrels a day.

Daily imports of all refined products fell sharply to 1.3 million barrels from 2.2 million in the preceding week and from year-earlier imports of 2.6 million barrels.

Gasoline imports also plunged, to 140,000 barrels daily from 376,000 in the previous week, and were well below daily year-ago imports of 296, 000 barrels.

Gasoline supplies slipped to 217.3 million barrels from 218.6 million in the prior week and were less than year-ago levels of 223.5 million.

Stocks of unleaded gasoline, which accounts for 90 percent of the domestic market, also declined, to 168.4 million barrels from 169.1 million barrels a week earlier, but remained higher than year-ago levels of 165.7 million barrels.

Daily gasoline production skidded to 6.7 million barrels from 6.9 million the previous week and less than the year-ago output of 7.0 million barrels daily.

U.S. refineries operated at 83.2 percent of capacity last week, compared with 82.0 percent a week earlier and 86.0 percent a year ago.

The nation's refineries consumed 12.7 million barrels a day last week,compared to daily crude runs of 12.5 million barrels in the previous week and 13.3 million a year ago.

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(NOV. 20) UPI - The Atlantis astronauts this afternoon glided their spaceplane to a smooth touchdown on runway 33 at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. The landing capped a successful military mission and was the first Florida shuttle landing in more than five years. Heralded by two shotgun-like sonic booms, Atlantis streaked just north of Disney World and Orlando at twice the speed of sound before gliding to a flawless touchdown. It ends a two-Million-mile trip one day late because of crosswinds at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

The duo known as Milli Vanilli broke into a few bars of the song ''Girl You Know It's True'' before reporters in Los Angeles today to prove they really can sing. But the two also admitted they succumbed to the lure of fame and money by allowing their names and faces to be associated with an album on which they did NOT sing. The 1989 Best New Artist Grammy has been revoked because of the scandal. Rob Pilatus and Fab Morvan say executives at Arista Records knew of the scam before the album was submitted for a Grammy. A man named Charles Shaw says he is the Milli Vanilli ''ghost'' singer.

Baghdad is saying it will free all the Germans being held hostage in Iraq. But the White House is responding cautiously. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater reacted to the Iraqi offer by saying that Saddam Hussein is building ''a cottage industry of political ploys,'' coming up with a cynical new approach each day. Fitzwater says Saddam is trying to split the allegiance bonding the countries who oppose him, but that ''It's NOT going to work.''

Another 100 feet of sidewalk collapsed today at a Washington, D-C, construction site four blocks from the White House. A building foundation caved in last night. This afternoon, a mound of concrete and pavement next door to the United Press International building toppled into the pit as workers moved a construction trailer and part of a wood- covered sidewalk. The assistant fire chief says construction and fire crews are especially concerned about the danger of failure along one corner of the U-P-I building. It's NOT known when... or if... workers can return to the 12-story structure.

Holidays can be tough when you're miles from home and family. That's why the Pentagon is scrambling to bring a little touch of home to the troops in Saudi Arabia this Thanksgiving week. Spokesman Pete Williams says the Pentagon is getting ready to send 105-thousand pounds of turkey and a variety of trimmings to serve to the troops... including as many of the front-line forces as possible. And the Saudi Arabian government is kicking in another 60-thousand pounds of roast beef to add an extra main course to the dinner plate.

For troops who do NOT get to a field kitchen for the fancy meal, the military is putting together a ''T-Ration'' trays of turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing and cranberry sauce. Armed Forces Radio and Television Service will be broadcasting two pro football games- to the troops on Thursday.

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#90324u0802 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Washington quarterback Mark Rypien and Chicago middle linebacker Mike Singletary Tuesday were named the NFC's offensive and defensive players of the week.

Rypien, returning from missing seven weeks with a knee injury, completed 26 of 38 passes for 311 yards and four touchdowns in a 31-17 victory over New Orleans.

Singletary, a 10-year veteran out of Baylor, had 10 solo tackles, 10 assists and recovered a fumble in a 16-13 overtime victory over Denver. He leads the Bears with 92 tackles, including 44 solos. Singletary's selection marks the third straight week a Chicago player was named the NFC defensive player, and the fourth time this season. Defensive Richard Dent won the honors in the third and 10th week and rookie safety Mark Carrier was named in the ninth week.

Other NFC offensive player candidates were quarterbacks Randall Cunningham of

Philadelphia, Rich Gannon of Minnesota and Phil Simms of the New York Giants, and Green Bay wide receiver Sterling Sharpe.

Other defensive nominees were Redskins cornerback Darrell Green and San Francisco linebacker Charles Haley.

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#90324u0824 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

OSHAWA, Ontario (NOV. 20) UPI - General Motors of Canada Ltd. will extend the Christmas shutdown of its car and van assembly plants for up to two additional weeks due to market conditions, the company said Tuesday.

A GM Canada spokesman said in addition to the normal holiday shutdown period the company's Oshawa Number One plant will be closed the weeks of Dec. 10 and Dec. 17.

Oshawa car plant Number Two will be down the week of Dec. 17.

The Oshawa car plants assemble the Chevrolet Lumina and Buick Regal models.

The exact number of people affected by the shutdowns wasn't immediately known. The Oshawa assembly plants are part of a complex that also includes truck assembly and parts manufacturing facilities. More than 15,000 people work at the Oshawa location.

The St. Therese, Quebec, plant will be shut down the weeks of Dec. 10 and Dec. 17. The plant's 3,300 employees assemble Chevrolet Celebrity and Oldsmobile Ciera models.

The automaker's Scarborough van plant will be down the weeks of Dec. 31 and Jan. 7. The plant's 2,500 workers build full-size Chevrolet and GMC vans.

The spokesman said a soft marketplace and a desire to balance inventories was behind the extended shutdowns.

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(NOV 20) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
EMCO Ltd				
Reverse Stock Split				
Pharmacontrol Corp - 1-for-8				

Stock				
Citizens Utils cl-A&B	..	2.4PC	12-31	12-3
Gainsco Inc	..	5PC	12-27	12-11
Increased				
Bandag Inc	Q	.27 1/2	1-21	12-20
Northern Trust Corp	Q	.21	1-2	12-10
Public Svc Enterprise	Q	.53	12-31	12-7
Rockefeller Ctr Prop	Q	.48	12-28	12-10
Extra				
Nash Finch Co	..	.01	12-7	11-30
Park National Corp	..	.40	1-2	12-10
Special				
BGS Systems Inc	..	1.00	12-21	12-5
Home Financial	..	.54	12-21	11-30
Reduced				
Jones Intercable Inv	..	.15	2-15	12-1
Initial				
Enex Resources Corp	..	.10	12-14	11-30
Usual				
American Software A&B	Q	.06	12-19	12-5
Avondale Industries	Q	.23	12-17	12-3
Central Bncshrs South	Q	.20	1-1	12-14
CIM High Yield Secur	..	.07	12-10	11-30
Commonwealth Bncshrs	Q	.22	1-25	12-31
CoreStates Financial	Q	.48	1-1	12-3
Frankford Corp	Q	.33	1-2	12-5
Harsco Corp	Q	.30	2-15	1-15
Irwin Financial Corp	Q	.22	12-21	12-7
Kelly Services cl-A&B	Q	.16 1/2	12-14	11-30
MacDermid Inc	Q	.15	1-2	12-14
Marsh & McLennan Cos	Q	.65	2-15	1-11
Medtronic Inc	Q	.20 1/2	1-31	1-10
Nash Finch Co	Q	.17	12-7	11-30
Ohio Edison Co	Q	.37 1/2	12-31	12-7
Park National Corp	Q	.60	1-2	12-10
Seagram Co	Q	.50	12-14	11-30
Templeton Global Govt	M	.07 1/2	12-14	11-30
United Telecom Inc	Q	.25	12-28	12-7
Wells Fargo & Co	Q	1.00	1-18	12-31

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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#90324u0829 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (NOV. 20) UPI - First Executive Corp. said Tuesday it rejected a proposal that would have given the troubled life insurance holding company $75 million to start a new insurance subsidiary.

Under the offer, Consolidated National Corp. would have provided the troubled First Executive, parent of Executive Life insurance companies in California and New York, with the cash in exchange for a half- interest in the new company. Executive Life of California would have contributed the other $75 million.

First Executive - hit hard by steep declines in its large junk-bond portfolio and by a flurry of policy surrenders earlier this year - said in a statement that the proposal was not ''practicable under the circumstances existing in the marketplace and among the relevant regulatory agencies.''

First Executive, which earned $99.9 million on revenues of $1.31 billion for the first nine months of this year, has been under investigation by the Securities and Exchange Commission and state insurance regulators in California.

First Executive also said that Consolidated National, a Dallas-based insurance holding company, would have to provide ''some evidence of genuineness'' in its proposal.

Consolidated National controls ICH Corp., another insurance holding company that owns 22.5 percent of First Executive stock, making it First Executive's largest shareholder.

Consolidated National also has called for the resignation of Fred Carr, First Executive's chairman and chief executive officer, but Tuesday's statement did not address that issue.

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#90324u0854 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
TORONTO (NOV. 20) UPI - Canadian businesses must push for a North American free-trade deal because of the opportunities it will create and not be diverted by any perceived threats, Mexico's Ambassador to Canada said Tuesday.

Ambassador H.E. Alfredo Phillips told a business luncheon that a free-trade agreement between Canada, the United States and Mexico would benefit each country.

The nations are currently holding exploratory discussions to set a framework

for negotiating a trade deal. The Canadian government asked to join the preliminary talks in late September.

Phillips said that it was too early to tell what the end result of the talks would be but that they will build on principles of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade governing global trade.

According to a Tuesday report in Canada's Financial Post, Mexico's trade secretary told a group of business people in Hong Kong Monday that a first draft of a Mexico-Canada-U.S. pact could be completed by the end of 1991.

The Mexican official also said the chances of reaching a free-trade pact with Canada and the United States are ''close to 100 percent.''

A number of Canadian banks and private policy groups have said Canada must be at the negotiating table primarily to prevent any damage to the trade agreement signed with the United States in January 1989.

Under the Canada-U.S. free-trade agreement, trading barriers and tariffs on goods and services are to be phased out over a 10-year period.

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#90324u0872 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 20) UPI - Universal Studios officials said Tuesday that the spectacular Nov. 6 back lot fire that threatened to burn down the entire complex caused less than the widely reported $25 million in damage to sets.

''We don't have a final figure yet, but the $25 million appears to be on the high side,'' said Jim Yeager, director of the public relations for the studio tour. ''What was destroyed was largely wood and paint.''

Universal also announced Tuesday that it plans to re-build the back lot sets that were destroyed in the fire, using input from its most successful producer-director, Steven Spielberg.

The sets that were destroyed - New York Street, Sting Street and New England Street - may be rebuilt as soon as early next year, Yeager said. They will closely resemble the original sets, built in 1958, but may be altered slightly he said.

Spielberg's credits include some of Universal's most succesful movies, including ''E.T. - The Extraterrestrial''; ''Close Encounters of the Third Kind,'' ''Jaws'' and the three ''Back to the Future'' movies.

''Spielberg has been a long-term friend to the studio,'' said David Weitzner, president of worldwide marketing for recreation services of the studio's parent, MCA Inc.

The studio also held ceremonies Tuesday for the re-opening of the three-story King Kong attraction on its studio tour. The seven-ton mechanical ape had suffered some water damage during the fire.

Attendance on the tour, which drew 5.1 million visitors last year to rank third after Disney World and Disneyland as the nation's most popular theme park, has been at normal levels since the fire, Yeager said.

As part of the ceremonies in front of King Kong, the studio honored the 400 firefighters from Los Angeles County and the cities of Burbank and Los Angeles who battled the blaze. The studio awarded the firefighters ''Top Banana'' silver film reels for keeping the blaze contained to four of the 420 acres of property.

The firefighters were given 400 tour passes to the tour, which they in turn donated to the Alisa Ann Ruch California Burn Institute.

''Because of your Herculean efforts, you saved hundreds of acres of movie-making history,'' said actor Ernest Borgnine, who serves as mayor of Universal City.

The sets that were saved included those from movies ''All Quiet on the Western Front,'' the courthouse from ''Back to the Future,'' ''Spartacus'' and television shows such as ''Wagon Train,'' ''The Virginian'' and ''McHale's Navy,'' which starred Borgnine.

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#90324u0875 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

STAMFORD, Conn. (NOV. 20) UPI - Consumers who were swindled out of about $4 million while ordering gold coins through the mail will receive about $800,000 in partial refunds, federal prosecutors said Tuesday.

A federal judge has signed an order freeing $800,000 that was seized from Monarch Group Ltd. of Stamford in May 1989 when the government shut down the operation, said Assistant U.S. Attorney Peter A. Clark.

The company sold U.S. Gold Eagle coins through the mail, but customers around the country were defrauded of about $3 million to $4 million when the coins were not delivered, Clark said.

Ulrich Wilbert and James Tucker, the two princials of Monarch, were indicted on criminal charges, but fled the United States and remained at large. Prosecutors said it was ''remarkable'' any money was left to refund.

''With the numbers we are looking at right now, victims should be seeing an eventual recovery of about 20 cents on the dollar,'' said U.S. Attorney

Stanley A. Twardy Jr.

''When we took a close look at Monarch, it turned out to be no more than a classic boiler-room operation,'' Twardy said.

Chief U.S. District Judge Ellen Bree Burns signed an order Nov. 12 in New Haven that authorized a plan to distribute the $800,000 frozen by a court order in 1989.

Gilardi & Co., a trustee appointed by the court, will contact victims who already have complained and advertise to locate others who were duped by Monarch's gold coin scheme.

Initial complaints led to an investigation by several federal agencies, which found scores of customers had paid for, but not received coins they had ordered through the mail.

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#90324u0876 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 20) UPI - Kennedy Space Center director Forrest McCartney says the space shuttle Atlantis came through its extended military flight in excellent condition. High winds in the California desert forced the spaceplane to land on the three-mile runway at the Florida spaceport today instead of in the Mojave Desert. It was the first Florida shuttle landing in five and one-half years. NASA officials say it may be another year and one-half before shuttles are routinely cleared to make Florida touchdowns.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher faces a second vote to retain leadership of the Conservative Party after weathering a challenge from former defense secretary Michael Heseltine. Thatcher fell four votes short of a victory to continue her 15-year leadership of the Tory party because 16 members abstained. She could still be swept from power if Haseltine gets enough votes on the second ballot.

45 members of Congress filed suit today seeking to enforce the war powers clause of the Constitution to prevent President Bush from committing American troops to a Persian Gulf war without congressional approval. California Democratic Congressman Ron Dellums initiated the suit... calling it ''a historic opportunity for the federal courts to decide who has the right to declare war.'' A spokesman with President Bush in Paris says the administration will have NO comment on the suit.

Congressman Barney Frank was moved out of intensive care today. But doctors at Beth Israel Hospital in Boston say he will remain hospitalized for another week to 10 days. The 50-year-old Massachusetts Democrat suffered a mild heart attack while exercising on a stationary bicycle at a health club last weekend. Frank predicts he'll be back at work when Congress reconvenes January 3rd.

A state grand jury in New York City today indicted an Egyptian-born man for the November 5th murder of militant Rabbi Meir Kahane.Kahane was finishing a speech to a Zionists' convention at a Manhattan Hotel when he was assassinated. El Sayyid Nosair will face murder and eight other criminal charges. Police say laboratory tests indicate a .357 Magnum revolver recovered in the street outside the hotel was the murder weapon.

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#90324u0888 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

KOUROU, FRENCH GUIANA (NOV. 20) UPI - An Ariane 4 rocket successfully boosted a pair of American communications satellites into orbit Tuesday in the 40th flight of the French-built rocket system.

Equipped with two strap-on solid-fuel boosters for extra power, the 192-foot three-stage rocket flashed to life on time at 6:11 p.m. EST and smoothly climbed away from its firing stand at the European Space Agency's jungle launch complex on the northern coast of South America.

Perched atop Europe's premier rocket were two communications satellites: Satcom C1, owned by GE American Communications of Princeton, N.J., and GSTAR 4 owned by GTE Spacenet of McLean, Va. Both satellites were built by GE Astro Space Division.

About 19 minutes after liftoff, Satcom C1 was ejected into its planned preliminary orbit with GSTAR 4 following suit about four minutes later.

''It was a success,'' said Michelle Lyle, a spokeswoman for the European consortium that markets Ariane boosters. ''We went on time.''

Small on-board rockets were scheduled to fire later to propel the satellites toward their final altitude of 22,300 miles over the equator. At that altitude objects take 24 hours to complete one orbit and thus appear stationary in the sky, eliminating the need for steerable ground antennas.

Ariane missions are conducted by the European Space Agency and Arianespace, the 11-nation European consortium that markets Ariane rockets and controls more than 50 percent of the world's commercial launch market.

It was the fourth mission for Arianespace since an Ariane 4 launched Feb. 22 veered out of control and exploded 101 seconds after liftoff. Lost along with the rocket were two Japanese communications satellites insured for $189.4 million.

The Ariane record now stands at five failures in 40 launches dating back to 1979.

The Ariane 4 is the most powerful rocket in the Ariane family of rockets, capable of boosting 10,000-pound satellites into geosynchronous orbit and comparable to the American Titan-class rockets used to launch heavy military spy satellites.

GSTAR 4 is a 2,000-pound solar-powered satellite equipped with 16 K- band radio transponders that ultimately will be stationed over the Pacific Ocean to provide telecommunications service to the continental United States.

Satcom C1 is a 1,800-pound solar powered relay station equipped with 24 C-band radio transponders. Both satellites will be used for commercial telecommunications.

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#90324u0905 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

FREMONT, OHIO (NOV. 20) UPI - A man who recently resigned from the CIA was jailed Tuesday on charges of fleeing state troopers and carrying concealed weapons while driving on the Ohio Turnpike.

Brian Stockslager, 27, of Ludlow Falls, Ohio, was stopped in a pickup truck after police set up a moving roadblock, said highway patrol trooper Raymond Durant.

Durant said Stockslager, whose truck was weaving and speeding, was driving as fast as 80 mph.

Stockslager was stopped at Gate 5 on the turnpike after his truck struck two squad cars, which were damaged by the collision. Durant said one trooper complained of back pain, but no other injuries were reported.

Durant said troopers found a .357 Magnum on the front seat, a .32- caliber pistol under the seat and a .45-caliber handgun in a box in the truck cab.

Two other handguns, three rifles and ''a phenomenal amount of ammunition'' were in the bed of the truck, Durant said.

The state trooper estimated at least 2,000 rounds of ammunition for the guns was in the truck, along with several cases of liquor.

Stockslager appeared in court on charges of carrying a concealed weapon and felony fleeing. He was ordered held overnight while authorities tried to determine whether the guns were stolen from the government.

Bond was set at $3,000. Stockslager was fined $36 dollars on the speeding charge.

Mark Mansfield, a spokesman for the CIA, said Stockslager submitted his

resignation to the CIA on Nov. 14. The resignation, which becomes effective Nov. 26, cited personal reasons.

Mansfield said Stockslager joined the CIA in 1986 and was a junior level technician.

''We are concerned about his welfare and we are cooperating fully with the Ohio State Patrol and their investigation,'' said Mansfield, adding that the former agent told his superiors he intended to go home to his parents.

Both the highway patrol and the CIA said they were investigating whether the weapons were government property or were purchased by Stockslager.

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#90324u0913 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 20) UPI - Congressman sue over war powers... the space shuttle makes a Florida landing... British Prime Minister Thatcher barely survives a leadership challenge. The top world and national news, next, from the wires of U-P- I:

The Bush administration feels that a lawsuit filed by 45 members of Congress today is UNnecessary.

The legislators filed the federal suit in an effort to force President Bush to come to Congress before committing U-S troops to war in the Persian Gulf.

White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater said in Paris that the administration would NOT comment on the legal aspects of the suit. But he added, ''We believe this lawsuit is unnecessary in light of the commitment of the president to working with the Congress to keep them completely informed.''

California Democratic Representative Ron Dellums said at a news conference today that Bush has been reluctant to let Congress have a significant role in the U-S Persian Gulf policy.

He said the lawsuit is ''a historic opportunity for the federal courts to decide who has the right to declare war.''

Michael Ratner, a lawyer for the Center for Constitutional Rights, said the Constitution is clear on the issue of who has the ultimate authority to declare war. He says- ''This is not a power for the president of the United States.'' Ratner said, ''Hopefully this court will tell him to go to Congress.'' .

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev said today in Paris that there is NO disagreement between himself and President Bush over Persian Gulf policy.

Gorbachev said on French T-V ''aggression canNOT go UNpunished.''

He also said ''we cannot tolerate the brutal violation of international rights of the independence of a nation.'' Yesterday, there were indications that Presidents Bush and Gorbachev differed on the use of force against Iraq.

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#90324u0918 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

MAYNARD, Mass. (NOV. 21) UPI - Digital Equipment Corp. said Tuesday it would close its Phoenix plant and might have to conduct its first layoffs ever if not all the 476 employees can be transferred or induced to accept voluntary severance.

No timetable or other specifics have yet been set for the changes which the computer giant disclosed to Phoenix employees earlier in the day, said Jeffry Gibson, a Digital spokesman.

''We're shifting all the work to other sites,'' Gibson said. ''There probably will be a net reduction (in jobs) but it's not clear what it'll be. We'll be better able to answer that at the time the plant closes,'' he added.

Digital has a facility in nearby Tempe, which is unaffected by the closing, but it is unclear yet whether any of the jobs from Phoenix will be transferred there, Gibson said.

''We'll be trying to do this without a layoff and to preserve choice, '' Gibson added. ''But we may not be able to do it.'' He said layoffs are possible.

The Phoenix plant does some low-volume manufacturing of printers, Gibson said. Also, it has systems integration work, a distribution center, property disposal, financial management, a purchasing group and a variety of regional groups, Gibson said.

Digital, the nation's No. 2 manufacturer of computers after International Business Machines Corp., has been slashing employment levels for months through a voluntary severance program designed to bring it to a total of 118,000 by next June from about 123,500 as of last month.

The company has been hurt by the worldwide slump in the computer business and in the second quarter ended Sept. 29 reported a sharp decline in earnings on declining earnings from the same period a year earlier.

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#90324u0928 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 20) UPI - The space shuttle Atlantis landed today, but it came down far

from where officials had planned.

Due to another day of high winds at Edwards Air Force Base in California, the shuttle came back to Earth on the runway at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

It was the first Florida landing for a shuttle in five years.

As the shuttle roared over the Sunshine State, it triggered two sonic booms. Atlantis streaked just north of Disney World and Orlando at twice the speed of sound before gliding to a smooth landing. The landing was one day late because of persistant crosswinds in California.

Forrest McCartney, director of the Kennedy Space Center, said Atlantis appeared to come through its launch and re-entry in excellent condition.

With Atlantis back on the ground, NASA engineers plan to close out the year by launching the shuttle Columbia in just 12 days. The December 2nd flight will be a 10-day astronomy mission that was originally scheduled for May 30th, but was delayed by a series of hydrogen fuel leaks.

Former defense secretary Michael Heseltine failed to oust British Prime Minister Thatcher as head of the Conservsative Party today, but he hopes to do better in next week's rematch.

Thatcher fell four votes short of an outright victory and will face a second ballot that could still end her 15 years as Tory leader.

Haseltine received 152 votes to 204 for Thatcher. But because 16 members abstained, he needed fewer votes to force another ballot on November 27th.

International reaction to Heseltine's political challenge to Thatcher pushed the British pound sharply lower in currency market trading in New York.

Thatcher told reporters in Paris, where she's attending the 34-nation European Security Conference, ''I am naturally very pleased that I got more than half of the parliamentary party votes and disappointed it was not quite enough.''

To win in the second round, a candidate must have a simple majority- 187 votes.

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#90324u0943 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 20) UPI - MGM-Pathe Communications said Tuesday it has signed a licensing agreement worth an estimated $58.8 million with Super Channel, a European satellite-to-cable programming network.

As part of a deal signed last week, the newly formed MGM-Pathe will also

receive advertising time to promote current releases, home videos and other merchandise, the company said.

Super Channel, which is controlled by the Italian Marcucci family, is currently available to about 23 million European households. The deal will allow for films from the MGM-Pathe library to begin airing next March.

MGM-Pathe, headed by Italian financier Giancarlo Parretti, was formed as a result of the recent $1.36 billion buyout of MGM/UA Communications.

Securities and Exchange Commission filings disclosed earlier this week that unidentified European affiliates of Parretti and Florio Fiorino, the company's president and chief executive officer, bought $570 million of MGM-Pathe stock at a price of $10 a share.

The company also said that it had raised $625 million through the sale of rights to the MGM film library and the sale of Pathe stock.

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#90324u0952 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 20) UPI - A 35-year-old Egyptian-born man was indicted by a New York state grand jury today for murder in the November 5th assassination of Rabbi Meir Kahane.

The militant Jewish political and religious leader was gunned down at an East Side Manhattan hotel at the end of his address to a Zionist group.

El Sayyid Nosair was charged today with second-degree murder and eight other criminal offenses that carry penalties of 25 years to life in prison.

Chief of Detectives Joe Borrelli says police believe they have the murder weapon, but that NO fingerprints were found on the .357 Magnum revolver recovered from the street near the hotel.

A French-built Ariane-4 rocket sent two American communications satellites into orbit today in the 35th successful flight by the European Space Agency.

The 192-foot rocket streaked skyward from the space agency's jungle complex on the northern coast of South America and 20-minutes later ejected Satcom CSTAR 4 was placed in orbit about four minutes later. Satcom is owned by G-E American communications and G-STAR by G-T-E Spacenet. Both satellites were built by G-E.

Small on-board rockets will boost the satellites to their permanent stationary orbits 23-thousand 300-miles over the equator.

Only five of the 40 Ariane rocket missions have ended in failure.

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#90324u0978 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

PORTLAND, Ore. (NOV. 20) UPI - Nike, the world's largest athletic shoe company, Tuesday unveiled its new ''Nike Town'' store, a glittering combination of high tech sales gadgets and sports memorabilia.

The store, designed to promote the Oregon company as much as sell shoes, includes a miniature tennis court with fiber optic lines and acrylic tubes that transport merchandise from a basement storeroom to the main floors.

Reporters were given a preview tour of the store, which was scheduled to open for the public Wednesday when famed marathoner Alberto Salazar and two Nike employees ran 11 miles from the company's suburban headquarters to the downtown store.

Centered around a ''town square'' that includes athletic statues and information on famous athletes who wear Nikes, the store has 14 ''pavilions,'' each devoted to shoes and clothing for a particular kind of sport.

Each pavilion includes high-tech gadgets or memorabilia of the sport, and tapes with the sound of the sport are played in each area.

In the pavilion selling water gear, Nike's ''aqua socks'' are displayed in front of large aquariums holding 85 fish that are color- coordinated with the shoes.

The only visible shoes are for display, so if a customer decides to buy something, the salesman contacts the storeroom via computer, and the shoes are shipped up through a clear tube that works something like a dumbwaiter.

Architect Gordon Thompson said the delivery system allows the salesmen to stay with customers all the time, and also helps with security by reducing the amount of merchandise in public.

The store, which looks like a combination of Disneyland and a Miami Vice set, is designed to show off Nike and boost the company's sales, according to Nick Kartalis, vice president of sales.

Kartalis said he did not know how long it would take Nike to recoup the cost of building the store, which he refused to disclose.

Nike Town includes 20,000 square feet, making it easily the largest of the 28 company-owned stores.

The store is the second major building project for Nike recently. The company also constructed a multimillion-dollar world headquarters in suburban

Beaverton. The headquarters includes a man-made lake.

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#90324u1022 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 20) UPI - The Atlantis astronauts flew back to Houston tonight after making a flawless landing this afternoon on the runway at the Kennedy Space Center. High crosswinds in the Mojave desert extended the flight by one day and forced officials to change the landing site from California to Florida.

It was the sixth Florida landing in the 37 shuttle flights and the first in five and one-half years. It's believed Atlantis' secret military mission left a Pentagon spy satellite in orbit over Iraq.

The much-maligned Hubble Space Telescope has turned up something special on Saturn. Amateur scientists spotted an unusual storm on the ringed-planet in September. The Hubble later confirmed a huge cloud of ammonia gas crystals ''burped'' from the storm to encircle the entire planet.

Violence continued today in the bitter month-old New York Daily news strike. Police say two people were slightly injured by a firebomb thrown inside a Bronx store still selling the newspaper. It was the 196th strike-related incident reported to police.

The housing industry slide moved into its ninth month in October. The Commerce Department says housing starts dropped six percent last month, to their lowest level since the last recession in mid-1982.

A group of Harvard Law students have filed suit against the university claiming Harvard's faculty hiring practices discriminate against minorities and women. The suit is an continuation of a long- running student protest over the lack of minority professors on campus.

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#90324u1036 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
DALLAS (NOV. 20) UPI - Forrest Gregg announced Tuesday night he would retire from coaching after his SMU Mustangs meet Arkansas Saturday, but that he would stay on as the school's athletic director.

Gregg's announcement simply backed up an earlier agreement he had made with SMU president Kenneth Pye last spring. But during the season there were indications Gregg was beginning to have second thoughts about leaving the coaching ranks.

''My one regret is that I won't be able to coach these young men we have brought in for their entire college careers,'' Gregg said. ''But, when I accepted the position of athletic director, it was with the stipulation that I

would give up coaching. I am fulfilling that commitment. I feel my decision is what's best for the university.''

Gregg came to his alma mater from the Green Bay Packers to build a football team from scratch. He took over a program that had been suspended for two years because of repeated NCAA rules violations.

In their first year back, with a team made up almost entirely of freshmen, the Mustangs won two games. Both of those victories were over Division 1-AA teams. This year SMU opened its campaign with a shocking victory over Vanderbilt, but has lost nine games since then.

SMU closes out its season Saturday at home against Arkansas, which also has yet to win a Southwest Conference game this year.

At a news conference last April, Pye announced Gregg would succeed Doug Single as the school's athletic director. In so doing, however, Pye said Gregg had agreed to give up coaching at the end of the 1990 season.

''In this day,'' Pye said, ''I don't think it is good for a school to have the same man serving as football coach and athletic director.''

Gregg reluctantly agreed to Pye's demand, but as the season progressed he dropped hints he might want to stay on as football coach and give up the athletic director job.

''This was a difficult decision for me,'' said Gregg, a Texas native who coached the Cincinnati Bengals to the Super Bowl before his tenure with the Packers.

''My family and I came back to SMU because we care deeply about the university and I feel that I can have a greater impact on the overall future of the SMU athletic program as the director of athletics.''

Gregg said a search would begin immediately for his successor. The new coach will take over a team that has been drilled in the run-and- shoot offense with sophomore quarterback Mike Romo among the conference's leading passers.

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#90324u1097 11/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Boston Bruin teammates Ray Bourque and Cam Neely retained a lead at their respective positions in balloting for the Wales Conference All Star team, the league said Tuesday.

Bourque, a defenseman, led all Wales Conference players with 96,228 votes by fans who are choosing representatives to the NHL All-Star Game in Chicago Jan. 19. Neely, a right wing, leads forwards and is second overall with 68,549.

Montreal's Patrick Roy leads Wales Conference goalies with 61,638 votes. Montreal's Denis Savard tops the centers with 41,888.

Ballots are distributed in NHL arenas until Dec. 17.

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#90324u1116 11/20/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 21) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

American League - Suspended Boston pitcher Roger Clemens for the first five games of the 1991 season and fined him $10, 000 for his behavior during Game 4 of the league playoffs.

Chicago (AL) - Purchased contract of pitchers Ramon Garcia and Rich Scheid and outfielder Derek Lee from Class AAA Vancouver; purchased contract of catcher Matt Merullo, pitchers Wilson Alvarez and Brian Drahman and infielder Cesar Bernhardt from Class AA Birmingham. Also designated catcher Jerry Willard and first baseman Tracy Woodson for assignment.

Cleveland - Added right-handed pitchers Bruce Egloff and Tom Kramer, left-handed pitcher Jeff Mutis and infielder Ever Magallanes to their major league roster.

Detroit - Purchased contracts of pitcher Jose Ramos and infielder Scott Livingstone from Toledo, pitcher Dave Richards from London, and outfielder Rudy Pemberton from Fayetteville; signed pitcher Dan Gakeler as sixth-year free agent.

New York (NL) - Added pitcher Eric Hillman to 40-man roster; outrighted pitcher Dave Trautwine to Tidewater; pitcher Mike Miller was claimed on waivers by Boston; hired scouts Bob Rossi and Larry Chase.

Pittsburgh - Named Chet Montgomery as director of minor league operations.

Basketball

Houston - Activated forward Buck Johnson.

Philadelphia - Signed guard Andre Turner to a one-year contract.

Football

Atlanta - Placed safety Tim Gordon on injured reserve and activated guard John Scully.

Indianapolis - Released quarterback Joe Ferguson and nose tackle Mitchell Benson and activated quarterback Mark Herrmann.

Hockey

NY Islanders - Recalled left wing David Chyzowski from Capital District of the AHL; reassigned center Greg Parks and left wing Tom Fitzgerald to Capital District.

Roanoke Valley (ECHL) - Center Scott MacPherson retired; forward Brett Barnett reassigned by Minnesota North Stars; left wing Rob Sangster suspended two games by the East Coast Hockey League for an altercation.

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#90324x0186 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

NEW YORK (NOV. 20) UPI - Citing a need for strict cost controls, CBS said Tuesday it would reduce the compensation it pays to the network's affiliate stations by 20 percent from Jan. 1, 1991.

The network said it announced the plan at a meeting Monday with the CBS Affiliate Advisory Board. To lessen the economic impact of the action on affiliates, the CBS plan provides them with additional commercial inventory for local sale.

Reasons for the cut include ''the economic environment for broadcasting and the outlook for future financial performance,'' CBS said.

CBS said Monday that it anticipated a fourth-quarter loss and that 1991 earnings are expected to be lower than those for 1990. Analysts said the loss is expected to be about $35 million.

After looking at cost controls in all areas of the company, CBS explained it ''felt compelled'' to review the compensation payments, which it said are higher than those for other networks.

''We have a mutual stake in each other's financial health and viability,'' said Tony Malara, president of CBS Affiliate Relations.

''The network depends on strong stations, just as our stations need a strong network. Given our improved programming performance, we need to insure that our financial picture will be sufficient to continue to support it,'' he said.

CBS President Laurence A. Tisch said in a statement: ''It is now apparent that increased competition for both viewers and advertising dollars, combined with rapidly escalating programming costs, are changing the fundamental economics of network television.''

The network's poor performance is attributed to losses from its contract with major league baseball and a general drop in TV advertising this fall. World Series revenues did not meet expectations, since only four of a possible seven games were played in the baseball championship series.

In 1991, CBS will be without pro football's Super Bowl and the National Basketball Association playoffs, both big revenue-generating events.

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#90324x0296 11/20/1990 ~Comtex

LOS ANGELES (UPI) _ The two members of the pop group Milli Vanilli apologized Tuesday for duping their fans and the public by having other performers do all the singing on their Grammy-winning debut album, saying they were ''seduced'' by promises of wealth and fame.

''We lived in the (housing) projects. We had no money. We wanted to be stars, that was our main reasons,'' Robert Pilatus told a packed news conference.

Pilatus and his partner, Fab Morvan, were stripped Monday of their 1990 Grammy for best new artists by the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences after admitting they did not sing a note on their best-selling album ''Girl You Know It's True.''

The duo has agreed to give up their statuettes without protest.

Pilatus said when he and Morvan insisted they perform on their second album, their producer, Frank Farian, refused, then fired them and went public with the secret.

The hip, dreadlocked pair were unknown musicians living in Germany when Farian found them three years ago and began marketing them as Milli Vanilli.

Their album sold more than 7 million copies and made the pair a hot act on the concert circuit. Even during their live performances, however, Pilatus and Morvan were made to lip-sync the words to all the songs, they said.

To prove they have singing abilities of their own, the duo broke into a few a cappella bars of the title song in front of more than 200 media and international paparazzi packed into a Hollywood recording studio.

''We were seduced, abused and we felt very guilty but we are here because we stopped it,'' Pilatus said. ''We said to Frank 'We don't want to do this anymore and if you don't let us sing we won't do it anymore.'''

They also claim that executives at Arista Records _ the company that distributed their album _ knew about their scheme before the album was

submitted to the recording academy for Grammy consideration. Arista President Clive Davis has denied that allegation.

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#90325b0010 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

SEATTLE (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Metropolitan Federal Savings and Loan Association of Seattle (NASDAQ:MSEA), an FDIC-insured financial institution with $400 million in assets, announced Wednesday that Donald E. Wahlquist has been named senior vice president and chief lending officer.

Previously Wahlquist was chief lending officer and a member of the board of directors of University Savings Bank where he began his banking career in 1961. Throughout his career, he has been active in lending to single-family home buyers. He is a lifetime resident of the Seattle area, attended North Park College in Chicago and graduated from the University of Washington with a degree in business administration.

''I have enjoyed being part of the growing Seattle real estate market,'' said Wahlquist. ''I am looking forward to expanding Metropolitan's participation in it.''

''We are very pleased that Don is joining Metropolitan,'' said Patrick F. Patrick, chief executive officer. ''We are committed to increasing our presence in the single-family lending market. Don's nearly 30 years of experience and reputation in this market will be positive contributions.''

Metropolitan Federal Savings and Loan was organized in 1935, and has six branches located in the greater Seattle area.

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Richard Stansbury, 206/625-1818.

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#90325b0012 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

CHARDON, OHIO (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Essef Corp. Wednesday announced that it expects to sell to Mack Molding Co., a privately owned custom injection molder, all machinery and equipment at its FAME Plastics Inc's. Statesville facility, and selected machinery and equipment at FAME's Daytona Beach facility, current assets related to ongoing programs at Statesville and current assets related to certain programs to be transferred from Daytona Beach.

Mack Molding Co. will assume the lease at the Statesville facility, and retain substantially all present employees at that facility. A definitive purchase and sales agreement is expected to be signed within the next several days. Closing of this transaction is expected to occur on or about Dec. 3. The

purchase price is to be the book value of all current assets acquired plus four million dollars.

Essef Corp. also announced that it will discontinue the molding facility of its FAME Plastics' Daytona Beach facility in January, 1991.

In connection with the sale and discontinuance of operations at FAME, Essef Corp. will reflect a fiscal year 1990 loss from discontinued operations, net of income tax benefits, of approximately $20 million or $4.12 per share in its financial statements for the year ending Sept. 30. Unaudited preliminary results for fiscal 1990, including the loss from discontinued operations is approximately $20.5 million or $4.22 per share.

Essef Corp. is continuing negotiations with its bank group for an amendment to its $50 million Revolving Credit and Term Loan Agreement.

Essef Corp. Common Shares are quoted on the National Association of Security Dealers' NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''Essf'' and are reported elsewhere as Essef Corp. The Corporation designs and manufactures products for selected markets through the application of high performance polymeric materials and innovative process technologies.

CONTACT: Essef Corp., Chardon
John B. Calfee Jr., 216/286-2200

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#90325b0013 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

DENVER (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Crown Resources Corp. Wednesday announced a close to breakeven result for the third quarter of 1990.

A net loss of $7,000 on revenue of $3.9 million, brings the net income for the year-to-date to $2.2 million, or 18 cents per share. Net losses in 1989 were $0.4 million for the quarter (4 cents per share) and $1 million for the nine months (11 cents per share).

Production of gold from Crown's 30 percent owned Kettle River Project totalled 25,361 ounces in the quarter with 7,608 ounces being Crown's share, almost identical to second quarter production. Kettle River has produced 62,713 ounces for the year-to-date, of which 18,814 ounces represent Crown's share.

The average cash cost per ounce in the third quarter was $218, compared with $207 in the second quarter. This cost includes mining, milling, maintenance and on-site general and administrative expenses.

Crown sold 10,299 ounces of gold during the quarter at an average price of $381 per ounce. Operating income was $0.5 million for the third quarter (before interest income and expense) while Kettle River generated positive

cash flow for the quarter of $1.4 million.

The third quarter was also marked by continuing exploration success for Crown. Recent step-out drilling by Battle Mountain Gold on the Crown Jewel property has intersected a new, high-grade zone which is near the surface and approximately 1,000 feet southwest of the previous announced reserves.

Battle Mountain is funding all costs on Crown Jewel and has until Jan. 4, 1991 to exercise its option to earn a 51 percent interest in the project. Crown has been actively exploring on property covering approximately 225 sq. miles in the Utah Gold Belt under the joint venture with Centurion Mines Corp. Preliminary results from this exploration have been encouraging as have results from exploration in northeastern Washington, southern British Columbia and in the Carlin Trend in Nevada.

Crown is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the trading symbol CRRS and on the Vancouver Stock Exchange under the symbol CRO.

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Debbie W. Mino, 713/682-4070 (Houston)

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#90325b0016 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Partech Holdings Corp. (NASDAQ:APHC; and Boston Exchange: PHT.B), an equipment leasing company announced Wednesday that a group composed of John E. Rayl, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, Robert P. Kuntz, president and director of a subsidiary of the company and Corporate Life Insurance Co. purchased 1,839,043 shares of common stock of the company owned by Laurence J. Mily, formerly president and director of the company.

The buyers will now own respectively 39.01 percent, 13.49 percent and 13.97 percent of the company's outstanding common stock. Corporate Life Insurance Co. is a Pennsylvania based life insurance company with assets in excess of $120,000,000.

Mily resigned, effective Nov. 16, as a director and officer of Partech to pursue other interests. Concurrent with his resignation Mily repaid $165,000 of loans from the company and cancelled the company's convertible notes owed him of $526,000 along with his 500,000 share option agreement.

The company also announced the appointment of Robert P. Kuntz of Boca Raton, Fla., to the board of directors. Kuntz is a director and president of Triad Capital Markets Inc. Triad is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Partech. From 1973 to 1981, Kuntz served as president, director and then chairman of the board of Can-Am Securities. During the years 1970, to 1982, Can-Am raised

approximately $650,000,000 in public partnerships from more than 30,000 limited partners.

Kuntz has been involved in the development and marketing of investment programs for over 20 years. Kuntz graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1962 with a Bachelor of Science degree and was designated a Naval Aviator. He served aboard various U.S. Navy aircraft carriers as a pilot through June 1968. Kuntz is a member of the International Association of Financial Planners and is a registered principal with the National Association of Securities Dealers.

Income from operations in September and October did not reach management expectations due to several factors including the general slow down in the U.S. economy and certain international events. The company received $200,000 from the transaction which will enhance the company's cash position.

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John E. Rayl, 614/460-8550

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#90325b0019 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

INDIANAPOLIS (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - MSA Realty Corp. announced that it incurred a net loss of $688,339, or 8 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, compared with a net loss of $958,483, or 11 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989.

J.A. Rosenfeld, president of the company, said that earnings before non-cash charges(a) for the 1990 third quarter were $997,187, or 12 cents per share, compared with $387,436, or 4 cents per share in the comparable period last year.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, the company incurred a net loss of $1,860,310, or 22 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $2,724,783, or 32 cents per share, at Sept. 30, 1989. Earnings before non-cash charges(a) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, were $3,111,246, or 36 cents per share, compared with $1,172,961, or 13 cents per share in the comparable period last year.

The company also announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly cash distribution of 15 cents per share, payable on Dec. 20, to shareholders of record as of Nov. 30.

Note (a): Non-cash charges are defined as depreciation of property and amortization of original issue discount, debenture issuance costs, organization costs and construction period return, as well as the excess of federal tax expense over current year federal tax liability.

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Jay A. Rosenfeld, 317/263-7030

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PROVO, UTAH (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - ATNN Inc. (NASDAQ:ATNN) reported a net income of $364,016, or 5 cents per share, for the third quarter 1990, comprised of income from continuing operations of $2,156, loss on discontinued operations of $753,566, and a gain on the disposal of a subsidiary of $1,115,426.

Revenues from continuing operations were $1,628,409 for the quarter. For the third quarter 1989, the company reported a loss from continuing operations of $62,979, or 1 cent per share, on revenues of $1,595,734.

Earl K. Cook, president and chief executive officer, stated: ''ATNN divested itself of Meadow Valley Contractors Inc. by written consent of a majority of the stockholders, to become effective Dec. 3, and is continuing its recently announced acquisition plans to acquire all outstanding securities of three companies.''

Cook further stated: ''ATNN has met the NASD capital and surplus requirements for continued inclusion of ATNN's common stock in the NASDAQ System.''

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Wilma Meador, 602/998-9058

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#90325b0021 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Wednesday announced that it will ''Give the U.S. Ski Team A Lift,'' with a new program offered in conjunction with the United States Ski Association (USSA).

For USSA members who are new or existing Sprint subscribers, Sprint will contribute 5 percent of their monthly long distance phone bills to the U.S. Ski Team. The USSA, headquartered in Park City, Utah, has 75,000 members nationwide who are either competitors, recreational skiers or people interested in supporting skiers.

''This is an excellent opportunity for U.S. Ski Team supporters to contribute to the sport and save money on long distance,'' said Howard Peterson, chief executive officer of the U.S. Ski Team.

U.S. skiers who sign up for Dial 1 or Sprint Plus service through the U.S. Ski Team program will receive 60 minutes of free long distance calling, plus free switchover to US Sprint for new customers. The 60 minutes of free long

distance will be credited on the third month's invoice. The switchover fee credit accommodates up to 10 telephone lines.

Dial 1 and Sprint Plus are US Sprint's long distance services for residential and small businesses carried on US Sprint's all-digital, fiber-optic network.

The new donation-linked program began in October 1990 with ads that headline ''Give Our Ski Team A Lift'' in the October edition of Ski Utah and the December edition of Ski West. Ads supporting this program will appear in various ski event programs this winter.

Craig Sanders, vice president and general manager of US Sprint's Intermediaries Marketing Group, said, ''Now ski enthusiasts across the country can receive the benefits of US Sprint's all-digital, fiber-optic network, while they support their favorite sport.''

US Sprint's Intermediaries Marketing Group encourages and supports distribution of US Sprint's products and services through third parties including independent contractors authorized to act as sales agents, long distance resellers, and the growing area of affinity marketing.

Selling through intermediaries is becoming a more important method of distribution in the fast-growing telecommunications industry.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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Steve Dykes, 202/828-7435; after 7 p.m. 703/242-1769
Robin Carlson, 703/689-5664; after 6 p.m. 703/573-8364.

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#90325b0062 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

DURANGO, CO (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Centennial Savings Bank F.S.B., announced the regular quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share, to stockholders of record, Dec. 10, 1990, payable Dec. 28, 1990.

CONTACT: Centennial Savings Bank F.S.B., Durango
James C. Sheppard, 303/247-4183

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#90325b0074 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

WILLOUGHBY, OH (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - November 21, 1990 -- The board of directors of Figgie International Inc. declared a regular quarterly dividend

of $.125 per share payable December 15, 1990, on both Class A and Class B common stock, to holders of record December 1, 1990.

The Company's Class A (FIGIA) and Class B (FIGI) common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

Figgie International Inc. is a major diversified Fortune 500 company serving consumer, industrial, technical and service markets worldwide.

CONTACT: Figgie International Inc., Cleveland
Michael J. Prendergast, 216/953-2810

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#90325b0075 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Telecredit Inc. (NASDAQ:TCRD) and Equifax Inc. (NYSE:EFX) jointly announced Wednesday that special shareholder meetings to consider the proposed merger of the two companies will be held on Dec. 28, 1990.

Shareholders of record on Nov. 26, 1990, will be entitled to vote at the meetings. Revised proxy materials will be sent to shareholders of record on or about Nov. 28, 1990. Telecredit Inc. provides check authorization, credit card processing, and other payment services to retail merchants, financial institutions and others.

Equifax Inc. is the leading provider of information services and systems for consumer financial transactions throughout the United States and Canada.

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or
Equifax Inc., Atlanta
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or
Neil G. Berkman Associates, Los Angeles
Neil G. Berkman, 213/277-5162.

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#90325b0089 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

CAROL STREAM, IL (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - MicroENERGY Inc. (NASDAQ:MCRE), designer and manufacturer of custom switching power supplies, announced Wednesday its results for the first fiscal quarter ending Sept. 30.

Statement of Earnings
(Unaudited)
Three Months Ended

	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$2,289,596	$1,878,947
Profit after tax	50,924	23,005
Earning per share	$0.00	$0.00

Net sales for the three month period ending Sept. 30 were 22 percent higher than the prior year period. Profits increased 121 percent over the prior year period. The profit increase was a result of the increased revenues and continuing cost containment programs.

CONTACT: MicroENERGY Inc., Carol Stream
Bob Fanella, 708/653-5900

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#90325b0092 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Ventura Entertainment Group Ltd., (NASDAQ:VEGG) announced record revenues of $7,161,503 for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

For the quarter, the company reported a net loss of $909,510, or 12 cents per share, compared with revenues of $3,146,500 and net income of $304,956, or 5 cents per share, in the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989.

Losses for the quarter were largely a result of overhead costs related to the June 1, 1990, commencement of operations of the Ventura Music Group Ltd. division and expansion of operations for other subsidiaries of the company including Ventura Live Productions Ltd., Ventura Media Center Ltd., and Ventura Motion Picture Group Ltd. which were not in full operation during the previous year's comparable quarter.

Harvey Bibicoff, chairman of the board, stated, ''approximately one-half of our losses for the current quarter are attributable to the start-up of the Ventura Music Group division for which we anticipate significant revenues will be realized in the latter half of this fiscal year when we begin releasing albums for artists currently under contract.''

Bibicoff continued that, ''We are pleased that the significant revenues we anticipated from our various start-up operations are beginning to be realized and we view those increased revenues to be evidence of the fact that we continue to hold true to our business plan to achieve profitability by the end of this fiscal year.''

During the first quarter, Ventura completed production on 16 hours of television music specials and is currently in production on 13 episodes of a one-hour dramatic series for the Arts and Entertainment Network for which the company will realize significant revenues in the second and third quarter of this fiscal year.

Ventura Entertainment Group Ltd., is a fully-integrated entertainment production company, which directly and through its subsidiaries, produces television commercials, develops and produces network, cable and syndicated tv series, mini-series, MOW's, theatrical motion pictures, music/variety specials and live events for the domestic and international marketplace. The company also produces and publishes music, and owns the Ventura Media Center in Orem, Utah, one of the largest production facilities outside of Los Angeles.

CONTACT: Ventura Entertainment Group Ltd., North Hollywood
Terri MacInnis, 818/762-8700

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#90325b0097 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Rudolph Nisi, M.D., chairman of the board of directors of Medco Research Inc. (NASDAQ:MEDR; BSE:MRE.B) Wednesday announced that the board accepted with regret the decision by Manfred Mosk, Ph.D., to retire from the company.

Mosk will be leaving the positions of president and member of the board of directors on Dec. 20, 1990. His intention to substantially diminish his involvement in the company was described in the company's Sept. 21, 1990, shareholder letter.

Dr. Mosk, who is the founder of the company, established the vision and direction and provided the dynamic leadership that moved Medco from a development-stage company to a revenue-producing company. During his tenure with Medco, he was instrumental in bringing to market in the United States the first cardiovascular drug containing adenosine -- a substance produced naturally by the human body.

In addition, Medco's marketing application for a second adenosine new drug developed by Medco as an important adjunct to thallium cardiac imaging is undergoing the FDA review process. Adenosine has recently gained substantial interest in medical research circles and Medco's adenosine products may be the precursors of an important new class of drugs for the diagnosis and treatment of diseases.

The substantial achievements during his term of office have poised the company for further progress and have created a significant base in preparation for the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead.

We would like to thank Manfred for his dedication and the substantial contributions he made to Medco and we wish him every success in his future endeavors.

Manfred has indicated his willingness, if requested by Medco at some future

date, to serve as a consultant to the company on a part-time basis for special projects only subject to a mutually agreeable consulting agreement.

The board of directors has appointed Archie Prestayko, Ph.D., the company's executive vice president, as acting president of Medco.

CONTACT: Medco Research Inc., Los Angeles
Archie W. Prestayko, Ph.D., 213/854-1954

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#90325b0100 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

ONTARIO, CA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Ground was broken recently (Nov. 15) on a 200,000-square-foot facility that will become the West Coast regional distribution center for GTE's Sylvania Lighting Division, announced Trammell Crow Co., developers of the build-to-suit project.

GTE's Sylvania Lighting Division is one of the leading lighting products suppliers worldwide.

Being built on an 11-acre site at the southeast corner of Archibald Avenue and Mission Boulevard, the new Sylvania distribution center will consolidate operations from Hayward and City of Commerce, GTE company officials said.

The new center, according to a GTE spokesperson, will provide improved and more efficient services to customers with the aid of a modern computer system. Estimated value of the project is $8 million.

The Irvine office of Oltmans Construction Co. is the general contractor and Nippon Credit Bank is providing the construction financing.

Kenneth C. Loeber, project manager for Trammell Crow, said GTE's Sylvania Lighting Division selected Ontario for its excellent transportation network, pro-business attitude and the opportunity to occupy a building that meets their specific requirements.

Trammell Crow, which owns the property, was selected as the developer after GTE considered several proposals from competing developers. Upon completion of construction in April 1991, GTE will acquire the building from Trammell Crow.

''The GTE transaction represents the latest in a string of recent successes resulting from Trammell Crow Co.'s efforts to aggressively pursue build-to-suit business in the Inland Empire,'' declared Lee H. Carson, marketing principal in the company's San Gabriel Valley/San Bernardino Division.

The new Sylvania Center will be used for the storage of lighting products for

use in residential, commercial, industrial and specialty applications.

Designed by Lee & Sakahara Associates, AIA, of Costa Mesa, the new Sylvania distribution center will be a concrete tilt-up building distinguished by a strong ''corporate image'' accented by glass along the entire Mission Boulevard facade.

The site will also be enhanced with extensive landscaping featuring rolling berms and tree clusters. Generous on-site parking is planned. The building will also be accented by extensive score lines in the concrete and multiple colors, including GTE Sylvania's distinctive corporate blue.

Other building features include 3,500 square feet of office space, 24 dock high doors and 30-foot interior warehouse clearance. Approximately 65 people will be employed at the site.

Chris Ludeman and Frank Geraci of Coldwell Banker Commercial Real Estate Services represented GTE Sylvania in the real estate transaction, while Terry Evans, Kevin McKenna and Scott Evans represented Trammell Crow.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - System Software Associates Inc. (NASDAQ:SSAX) Wednesday reported record earnings and revenues for the fourth quarter and full year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Net income was $5,108,000, or 43 cents per share, up 39 percent from 31 cents per share in the fourth quarter of the prior year. Revenues increased to $42,097,000, as compared to $28,842,000 in the like period of the prior year.

For fiscal 1990 in total, net income increased to $16,370,000, or $1.38 per share from $11,140,000, or 94 cents per share in fiscal 1989. Revenues for the full year increased to $124,153,000 from $94,952,000.

Roger Covey, president of SSA, noted that software revenue increased by 65 percent over the like period of the prior year, but that hardware revenue, in line with the company's strategy, decreased by 64 percent. Covey explained that, in preparation for fiscal 1991, the company made substantial investments in increasing its sales force and affiliates during the fourth quarter and that such investments held the earnings increase beneath the revenue increase.

Covey also noted that the company had been especially successful in recruiting affiliate business partners, and had added 21 during the quarter. This brought the year end total of affiliate business partners up to 113, vs. 58 at

the end of the previous year.

The liquidity position of the company continued to improve. Cash balances during the fourth quarter rose from approximately $21.7 million to $28.4 million and accounts receivable days sales outstanding fell to its lowest level in the history of the firm.

In view of the company's strong cash position, the board of directors of the company unanimously approved the payment of a 25 cents per share annual dividend. The first annual dividend will be paid to all stockholders of record as of Dec. 10, 1990.

System Software Associates Inc. develops, markets and supports an integrated line of business application software and CASE tools for users of the IBM AS/400 computer through a global network of Affilliate business partners and SSA Regional Headquarters' offices.

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PLEASANT GROVE, UT (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Dennis Hunter, president, announced that Hart Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:HTII) has entered into an agreement in principle to acquire Lifschultz Fast Freight Inc. of New York.

Hart, through its subsidiaries, Hart Scientific and Zi-Tech Instruments, is a manufacturer and distributor of high precision instruments. The company's headquarters and manufacturing plant is located in Pleasant Grove, Utah, approximately 25 miles south of Salt Lake City.

Lifschultz has various real estate and trucking interests in the Northeastern United States. Lifschultz is also the plaintiff in an antitrust/RICO lawsuit against three of the largest U.S. trucking companies, Consolidated Freightways Yellow Freight System, and Roadway Express. Lifschultz is alleging that the defendants conspired together to engage in predatory pricing and that they also carried out such activities individually. The lawsuit is seeking approximately $600 million in damages in compensation for the damages suffered by Lifschultz as a result of the alleged activities of the defendants.

The lawsuit has been ongoing for approximately 3 1/2 years and is expected to go to trial in 1991.

The agreement in principle is subject to completion of a final agreement and approval by the boards and shareholders of both companies. The general terms of the agreement in principle provide that Lifschultz will become a wholly

owned subsidiary of Hart and that the Lifschultz Shareholders will acquire a controlling interest in Hart.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - MJC Enterprises Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of CopyMat Inc. (OTC:pink sheets) recently completed the sale of its wholly owned subsidiary CopyMat Corp. to Golden West Devlopment Bancorp, a newly formed entity headed up by Clifford Orloff.

The sale was part of a Plan of Reorganization which, when completed, will result in the vast majority of the debt of CopyMat Inc. and its subsidiaries being paid off through an irrevocable trust or conversion of certain creditor obligations to preferred stock of CopyMat Inc.

Michael J. Cook, the president of CopyMat Inc., said ''The Plan of Reorganization provides the creditors a method of settlement of their claims to be paid over a period of 90 days to eight years through a trust that will be funded by the transfer of an eight-year note used to purchase CopyMat Corp.''

In excess of $4,000,000 of debt will be removed from the balance sheet through the implementation of the Plan of Reorganization.

CopyMat Inc. will retain a 25 percent interest in the CopyMat trademarks and through a subsidiary has signed a licensing agreement that gives it the right to develop CopyMat centers in San Diego County and the state of Arizona.

A subsidiary of the company, MJC Leasing and Management Co. Inc., recently purchased through a limited partnership an existing store in the Kearny Mesa area of San Diego. The company plans to develop the San Diego area before entering the Arizona market.

CopyMat Corp. is a franchisor and licensor of 68 copy centers located in California.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Bell Wednesday was given the green light to increase the value of telephone service by expanding local

calling areas and including Touch-Tone in basic service. ''Beginning Feb. 1, 1991, Pacific Bell will make Touch-Tone a standard feature of basic service for residence and business customers, eliminating the separate charge for that service,'' said Pacific Bell Assistant Vice President Bruce Jamison.

Touch-Tone gives customers the convenience of using a push-button phone to place calls, and makes it easier to use features such as ''voice mail,'' or other services that work through telephone ''tones.''

And beginning June 1, Pacific Bell will enlarge the local calling areas, allowing most customers to call more places at their low local rate. Calling areas will be expanded from about 8 miles to about 12 miles.

For example, customers in the southeastern part of San Francisco have a local calling area that includes all of San Francisco, South San Francisco and Pacifica. When the calling area is expanded, they also will be able to call Belvedere, Sausalito, Millbrae, San Mateo and parts of the East Bay as local calls. ''We first proposed these improvements in basic service more than two years ago, and we're eager to deliver,'' Jamison said. In October 1989, the California Public Utilities Commission agreed that the improvements we had proposed should be made. Today's CPUC decision gave the go-ahead for putting the changes into effect.

''Today, about 80 percent of our residence customers, and 93 percent of our business customers, subscribe to Touch-Tone,'' Jamison said. Residence customers pay $1.20 a month, and business customers pay $1.70 for Touch-Tone. Starting Feb. 1, the monthly Touch-Tone charge will be dropped, as will the one-time ''sign-up'' charge for the service.

Customers may still use rotary dial phones without making any changes. Customers who wish to use Touch-Tone should obtain a tone telephone, which are available at stores everywhere. Expanding calling areas June 1, 1991 means most customers will pay less for calls to nearby communities. For example: For customers in metropolitan areas where ''ZUM'' rates apply, calls to ZUM Zone 2 communities (which today are 8 cents for the first minute) will cost the same as local calls (no charge for Flat Rate customers, 4 cents for the first minute for Measured Rate customers.) For areas where ZUM rates do not apply, toll calls to communities 9-12 miles away (which today are 17 cents for the first minute) will cost the same as local calls (no charge for Flat Rate customers, 4 cents for the first minute for Measured Rate customers.) For customers using Pacific Bell coin phones, the charge will be 20 cents for calls up to about 12 miles away.

While most of our customers live in areas which would see larger local calling areas under the plan, some do not. And some customers live in areas that already have larger local calling areas. Their local calling area would not change under the plan.

Pacific Bell will mail customers a letter prior to June 1 explaining the details of expanding local calling areas, and listing the telephone prefixes that will be included in their new local calling area.

The actual customer savings from the changes will vary with each individual, depending on a number of factors, such as the number of calls made to the 9-12 mile area. For most customers, the savings will be partially offset by a simultaneous reduction in the billing credit they now receive.

Pacific Bell is a subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, a worldwide diversified telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

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MERRIMACK, N.H. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Chemical Fabrics Corp. (CHEMFAB) (OTC:CMFB) Wednesday announced that it is establishing direct distribution of its products in the United Kingdom through the acquisition of two companies in England.

CHEMFAB has acquired Inert Materials & Components Ltd. based in Handforth, Cheshire, and has agreed to acquire, subject to the execution of definitive agreements, Fluorocarbon Fabrications Ltd. based in West Yorkshire. Inert Materials and Fluorocarbon Fabrications have been distributing substantially all of CHEMFAB's products into the U.K. market.

Upon completion of the acquisition of Fluorocarbon Fabrications, which is expected by the end of calendar 1990, the operations of the two companies will be combined and will be based in Inert Materials' present facility at Handforth.

Commenting on these acquisitions, Duane C. Montopoli, CHEMFAB's president and chief executive officer, stated that: ''Since the establishment of our Irish manufacturing operation in the early 1980s, we have distributed our products throughout Europe through regionally based fabricating distributors.

CHEMFAB is an international advanced performance materials company that designs, manufactures and markets flexible composite products intended for use in extreme environments. Typical products consist of woven fiberglass or other high-strength reinforcements coated or laminated with thermoplastics and elastomers, and specialty fluoropolymer films.

Worldwide end-use applications are in aerospace, architectural, chemical processing, communications, electronics, food processing, military, protective clothing and other industrial markets.

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DENVER (NOV 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Grease Monkey Holding Corp. (NASDAQ:GMHC) reported a loss of $156,098 on revenues of $2,426,937 for its third quarter which ended Sept. 30.

This compares to a profit of $20,664 on revenues of $2,276,873 for the third quarter in 1989.

For the nine-month period ended Sept. 30 the company reported a loss of $325,591 on revenues of $7,074,279, as compared to a loss of $45,748 on revenues of $6,141,519 for the first nine months last year. Revenues increased 7 percent for the third quarter and 15 percent for the first three quarters of 1990.

Grease Monkey is the nation's fourth largest franchisor of automotive quick lubrication centers (the top three being owned by major oil companies).

At a Grease Monkey service center, a team of service technicians will change the oil, install a new oil filter, lubricate the chassis, wash windows, check the tire pressure, and vacuum the car's interior.

All fluid levels are checked and topped off if necessary. The service is performed in 10 minutes without an appointment.

Grease Monkey currently has 170 centers open.

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HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - It was announced Wednesday that TouchStone Software Corp. (TSC), publishers of CheckIt, the leading diagnostic software system for personal computers, signed a technology exchange agreement with TriNet inc., a Dallas-based network software engineering firm.

Shannon Jenkins, president of TouchStone and Donald Funkhouser, president of TriNet (TNi) described the agreement, signed at COMDEX, as one which will take advantage of TSC marketing and diagnostic expertise and TNi networking and configuration management expertise.

According to Ms Jenkins, recent TSC product announcements prior to and at COMDEX have resulted in a rising interest in technology alliances. Jenkins commented that TSC is always exploring new methods for applying their technology.

Funkhouser described the agreement as one which will ultimately allow TriNet to extend its engineering contributions beyond the networking products it currently markets through other companies.

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LYNNWOOD, WA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - ELDEC Corp. (NASDAQ:ELDC) has settled an indemnification claim made by Dobson Park Industries, purchaser of the ELDEC subsidiary, Transducers Inc.

The claim was based on alleged violations of California environmental law by Transducers Inc. and was settled for $600,000.

ELDEC sold Transducers Inc. to Dobson Park in 1988 for $14 million and, as a result, distributed a special dividend of $1 a share in January 1989.

The payment is expected to reduce ELDEC FY'91 third quarter earnings by approximately $.07 a share, reflecting a reduction in income from the sale of the discontinued operation.

ELDEC custom designs and manufactures electronic and electromechanical products for aerospace and defense applications. Founded in 1957, the company is a subcontractor to a large number of major aerospace and defense electronics contractors.

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SAN MATEO, CA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Principal Maturity Trust (NYSE:FPT), a closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers Inc.,

Wednesday announced a monthly dividend of 7.25 cents ($.0725) per share, payable on Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 30, 1990.

Franklin Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $43-billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.7 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, Calif., 94404.

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SHERMAN OAKS, CA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Olson Industries Inc. (Pink Sheets) reported Wednesday that sales for the third quarter for its only operating subsidiary, Dolco Packaging Corp., amounted to $16,174,758, in 1990, with a net loss of $984,958, or $1.50 per share.

The 1989 third-quarter results reflected sales of $17,760,292, with a net loss of $799,960, or $1.22 per share.

The 1990 nine months ended sales totaled $52,185,879, with a net loss of $920,167, or $1.40 per share, compared with sales of $54,772,463, with a net loss of $2,377,715, or $3.63 per share, for the same period in 1989.

As stated earlier, Dolco Packaging is presently involved in a reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. The effect of any reorganization could materially reduce or eliminate the interest of Olson Industries in Dolco.

Accordingly, the operating results of Olson Industries and Dolco as reflected herein on a consolidated basis may not accurately reflect the business prospects or operations of Olson Industries as a separate corporate entity. The expenses relating to the Chapter 11 proceedings total approximately $803,000, for the first nine months of 1990.

Sales declined 5 percent during the first nine months of 1990 and 9 percent during the third quarter of 1990 compared with the same periods in 1989, primarily due to the decision of a major customer of Dolco not to purchase product after Aug. 1, 1990, made by the manufacturing process used by most of Dolco's plants.

The customer has since decided to discontinue using foam packaging for most of its products. The gross profit on net sales was 14 percent for the first nine months of 1990 as compared with 11 percent for the first nine months of 1989 due to a 14 percent decrease in the cost of polystyrene resin, the major raw material ingredient and due to operating efficiencies achieved at the

plant level.

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MILPITAS, CA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Diasonics Inc. (ASE:DIA) announced Wednesday that Sonotron Holding AG, Diasonics' European distribution subsidiary, and Interspec Inc. have entered into a stock purchase agreement regarding the purchase by Sonotron of Vingmed Sound A/S, a Norwegian subsidiary of Interspec.

Vingmed Sound designs and manufactures the Vingmed Color Flow Mapping (''CFM'') System, a medical ultrasound system which is used primarily by cardiologists at clinics and hospitals around the world.

Under the agreement, Sonotron would acquire Vingmed Sound for a purchase price of approximately $17 million, and Sonotron would assume or guarantee a certain amount of indebtedness of Vingmed Sound. In addition, Sonotron and ISPC have agreed to enter into a distribution agreement continuing Interspec's existing distribution of Vingmed products in North America.

Consummation of the acquisition, which is subject to various regulatory and governmental approvals, is expected to occur during the first or second quarter of 1991.

Karl Rudow, president of Sonotron, said, ''The acquisition marks the natural evolution of the relationship between Sonotron and Vingmed and positions both companies for expansion in the integrated Europe of 1992.''

Sonotron is a leader in the distribution and marketing of medical imaging systems throughout Europe and the Middle East. Diasonics is a leader in the development, manufacture and distribution of medical ultrasound, high performance X-ray and therapeutic medical instrumentation.

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PHOENIX (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Verit Industries (AMEX:VER) Wednesday announced that it had earnings for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of

$308,000, or 2 cents per share, on a fully diluted basis, compared to a loss of $147,000, or 19 cents per share, for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Per share earnings in 1990 are computed on the basis of 759,853 weighted common shares outstanding and the conversion of 13,785,000 preferred shares. Total revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $15,771,000 as compared to $27,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The acquisition of the California and Texas homebuilding operations from Emerald Homes in March of 1990, accounted for total revenues of $14.4 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to pro forma revenues of $18.6 million for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Unit deliveries decreased 28 percent to 81 in 1990 from 113 in 1989 due to a substantial decrease in sales at the California operation.

''We have seen a dramatic slowdown in sales activity in California from the levels of a year ago,'' said Jimmy Wood, executive vice president, chief operating officer and chief financial officer. ''The current economic conditions have had a negative impact on sales at our Houston operation also, but that market is still holding up fairly well,'' Wood continued.

''We had a positive contribution from the Hotel Viking during the first quarter. The acquisition of the Portuguese resort occurred in July and has already added to the bottom line,'' Wood remarked.

With the additional acquisitions that occurred during the first quarter, total equity has increased to over $46 million and total assets have increased to over $111 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

Verit is in the single family home building business in the United States through its wholly-owned subsidiaries Emerald Holdings California Inc., located in Dublin, Calif. and Emerald Texas Inc., located in Houston. It is also in the leisure industry through its ownership of the Hotel Viking in Portugal and the Phoenix Arms Hotel in Ireland.

Verit's common shares are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol VER.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Teradata Corp. (NASDAQ:TDAT) Wednesday announced it had renegotiated the terms of its Multicurrency Revolving

Credit/Term Loan agreement.

At Sept. 30, 1990, Teradata had in place approximately $98 million of available credit, consisting of a $35 million Accounts Receivable Financing facility (of which $19.7 million was outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990), a $35 million unsecured Multicurrency Revolving Credit/Term Loan facility (none of which was outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990) and approximately $28 million of unsecured international credit lines (of which $15.6 million was outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990).

The Multicurrency Revolving Credit/Term Loan agreement has now been renegotiated and amended to a $25 million secured facility with revised covenants.

Teradata is in compliance with all covenants contained in the new agreement and currently no borrowings are outstanding against this facility. The Accounts Receivable Financing facility and the International Credit Lines remain in place.

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CAMARILLO, CA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Everest & Jennings International Ltd. (ASE:EJ.A/EJ.B) Wednesday announced it incurred a loss of $38.4 million, or $4.20 per share, on revenues of $53.5 million in the third quarter ended Sept. 30.

This includes a charge of $32.4 million, or $3.54 per share, for additional restructuring, write-down of certain assets to net realizable values and to provide for other liabilities. The restructuring charge provides for anticipated losses and associated costs relating to the sale of its Camarillo facility and restructuring provisions relating primarily to the U.S. operation.

In the third quarter of 1989, the company incurred a loss of $2.8 million, or 35 cents per share, on revenues of $48.7 million.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company incurred a loss of $46.5 million, or $5.09 per share, on revenues of $156.3 million as compared with a loss of $9.5 million, or $1.16 per share, on revenues of $138.0 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Commenting on the results, Barre Rorabaugh, president and chief executive officer, said third-quarter results were adversely impacted by the restructuring charge that provides for costs associated with restructuring and consolidating domestic operations.

Additionally, Rorabaugh said the company has made tremendous progress in reducing domestic manufacturing overhead and operating expenses and, together with progress made in negotiations with the company's principal domestic lender, providing a foundation for improved operating results in the fourth quarter and in 1991.

In a previous announcement, the company reported it had reached agreement in principle with its primary domestic lender in negotiations for an extension of its credit agreement on favorable terms through June 1992.

Everest & Jennings International Ltd. is a worldwide leader in the design, manufacture and distribution of wheelchairs and other durable medical equipment.

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CUYAHOGA FALLS, Ohio (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Falls Financial Inc. (Falls Financial) announced Wednesday that a cash dividend of $.15625 per share will be paid on Dec. 21, to stockholders of record Dec. 7.

This is the fourth dividend to be declared and paid in 1990.

According to Howard W. Atwood, chairman and chief executive officer of Falls Financial, ''Stockholders equity at Sept. 30, increased to $38.6 million, which includes no intangibles, and represents 12.23 percent total assets.''

Gene Stalnaker, president, added, ''Third quarter 1990 net income increased to $663,000 as compared to $391,000 for the like period in 1989, reflecting the continued profitable growth of Falls Financial.''

Falls Financial Inc., whose common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Over The Counter Market System under the symbol: ''FFII,'' had $316 million in assets at Sept. 30. Its subsidiary, Falls Savings Bank, FSB operates 11 retail banking offices in Summit and Portage Counties.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Nov. 21, 1990, The Kushner-Locke

Company (NASDAQ:KLOC) today announced increased year-end and fourth quarter earnings for the period ended September 30, 1990.

For the fourth quarter ended September 30, 1990, revenues increased 23 percent to $9,544,000, as compared to $7,730,000 for the same period in the prior year. Net earnings increased 12 percent to $1,448,000, or 9 cents per common and common equivalent shares, from $1,291,000, or 8 cents per common and common equivalent shares in the comparable period of 1989.

Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding for the fourth quarter of 1990 and 1989 were 16,442,000 and 16,564,000, respectively.

For the year ended September 30, 1990, net earnings increased to $2,152,000, or 13 cents per common and common equivalent shares, on total revenues of $18,369,000, as compared to net earnings of $2,143,000, or 14 cents per common and common equivalent shares on total revenues of $18,972,000, for the year ended September 30, 1989.

Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding for 1990 and 1989 were 16,684,000 and 14,915,000, respectively.

Co-Chairman of the Board Peter Locke commented, ''We are pleased with our positive year-end financial results given the difficult economic environment and the competitive nature of our industry.''

Co-Chairman of the Board Donald Kushner added, ''Fourth quarter results increased based upon revenues from our cable series, 'First and Ten' and a Movie-of-the-Week for NBC.''

Founded in 1983, The Kushner-Locke Company is one of the leading independent television production companies engaged in the development and production of television series, pilots, movies-for-television, mini-series and animated programming.

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EL MONTE, CALIF. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Genicom Corp. has named Marshall Industries (NYSE:MI) its fastest growing industrial distributor for 1990.

Genicom manufactures a complete line of high-quality printers including dot

matrix, shuttle matrix and other technologies.

Marshall Computer Products Manager Kim Bickmeier attributed their success to Marshall's ability to meet a wide variety of customers' needs. ''Our growth with Genicom, as well as our other printer lines, is due largely to our increasing knowledge of the printer market, which allows us to offer the right solution for any customer,'' she stated.

Genicom sales at Marshall increased 30 percent in 1990 from the previous year, the largest increase of any industrial distributor.

Concurrently, Marshall had to make more room in its trophy case when Beckman Industrial awarded the distributor their first annual ''Fly with the Eagles'' award for outstanding achievement during 1990. Glenn Highland, president of Beckman and Bob Hillman, Beckman director of domestic sales, presented the award to recognize Marshall's ''willingness to go beyond normal distributor expectations.''

''Marshall was Beckman's leading industrial distributor in both sales and bookings for the year. We've gained a significant amount of market share by analyzing our customers' needs and stocking inventory to meet those needs. Confidence in our ability to deliver what the customer wants -- when they want it -- is the key to our success,'' said Pat Stroupe, Marshall marketing manager for passive products.

Marshall Industries supplies and services the electronics industry through a network of industrial electronic distribution centers located throughout the United States and Canada. Marshall's products include electronic components; integrated circuits; connectors; memory and computer products; electronic production supplies and hand tools and electronic assembly equipment.

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DEERFIELD BEACH, FLA. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Sensormatic Electronics Corporation (SNSR/NASDAQ) today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of $0.075 per common share.

The dividend is payable January 16, 1991 to shareholders of record on December 26, 1990.

Sensormatic Electronics Corporation is the world leader in loss prevention technology. Sensormatic's electronic article surveillance (EAS) systems are used primarily by retailers to deter shoplifting.

Sensormatic also manufactures and markets closed circuit television systems for retail, commercial and industrial applications, and its POSdata subsidiary is the fastest growing distributor of point of sale bar code scanners in the United States. All of the Company's divisions are linked to the largest worldwide sales and service organization in the EAS industry.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - National Semiconductor Corp. Wednesday announced that it has signed a letter of intent with Matsushita Electronics Corp. (MEC) for the sale of National's Puyallup, Wash. facility to Matsushita.

The terms of the agreement call for payment of approximately $86 million in cash for the facility, along with the assumption of certain financial liabilities associated with the plant. The transaction is expected to close in the first quarter of calendar 1991.

Under the terms of the sale, Matsushita will acquire the two buildings and 92 acres of land which comprise the Puyallup manufacturing site. Matsushita will also acquire certain manufacturing equipment from National Semiconductor.

The company said that the purchase will not include the transfer of any technologies, products or processes.

MEC has said that it plans to manufacture DRAMs and MOS logic components in the Puyallup facility.

Charles E. Sporck, National Semiconductor president and chief executive officer, said, ''The sale of the Puyallup facility allows National to reduce the excess manufacturing capacity that results from the company's decision to exit the high-end SRAM business. We are pleased with this agreement, which will allow the plant to continue to be operated as a semiconductor manufacturing facility, providing continued employment opportunities in the Puyallup area.''

National Semiconductor said that both companies will submit a joint, voluntary filing under the Exon-Florio national security review provisions. The parties will also submit appropriate U.S. anti-trust notification.

National Semiconductor Corp. manufactures and markets high-performance

semiconductor products. Headquartered in Santa Clara, the company is a global leader in mixed analog and digital technologies.

Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd., parent company of MEC, is one of the world's largest producers of electric and electronic products, and has operated in the United States for over three decades, manufacturing and selling products under the brand names Panasonic, Quasar, and Technics. Matsushita has approximately 9,000 employees in the United States.

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FAIRMONT, W.VA. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of CB&T Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:CBTF) has declared its regular 4th quarter diviend of 12 cents per share on 3,623,771 shares outstanding.

Total 1990 dividend payments of 48 cents per share have increased 15 percent over the 41.7 cents per share paid in 1989.

The annual dividend rate of 48 cents increases the current yield on company shares to over five percent.

The cash payment of $434,852 will be payable Dec. 20. 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 10, 1990.

CB&T is a multibank holding company with assets of approximately $600 million. The company operates 22 offices in 13 north-central West Virginia communities.

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LAGUNA HILLS, CALIF. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Hart Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:HRTI) announced Wednesday the signing of a multipart contract with a branch of the Russian government for the Orange County firm to clean up and remove toxic wastes generated by leaking underground storage tanks (LUSTs) in the greater Moscow area.

The other parts of the agreement cover the design, construction and operation

of a municipal refuse facility to collect and dispose of commercial and residential refuse generated in and around Moscow.

Rolan A. Bykov, chairman of the Cultural Commission of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics Supreme Soviet, met with Hart officials at the firm's Laguna Hills headquarters Nov. 14 to discuss arrangements for Hart representatives to visit the Soviet Union in mid-December of this year.

Hart has been invited to address Russian officials, including President Boris Yeltsin and Prime Minister Ivan Silayev, about the technical advances made in the clean up and disposal of hazardous waste and hydrocarbon pollution in the United States and abroad.

Hart will send technical personnel to evaluate the extent of the Soviet LUST problem and formulate plans for the clean up of hydrocarbon pollution from LUSTs. Further evaluations and surveys will be performed with respect to the municipal refuse facility.

The agreement calls for Hart to remove and replace underground storage tanks (USTs) not meeting minimum requirements for safety and containment. Replacement tanks used in this project will be built in the Soviet Union to Hart's specifications. Further, Hart will install leak detection/inventory control equipment in all UST installations to prevent further damage to the environment. Hart has exclusive rights to import the equipment used for leak detection/inventory control.

Pollution found in LUST excavations will be remediated using proven Western technology, some of which has been previously unavailable in the Soviet Union. Disposal of additional wastes will be discussed during the technical visits.

Hart also announced board of directors' approval of a stock repurchase plan opening the way for the firm to repurchase up to 20 percent of its outstanding common stock over the next two years.

Hart Industries is an environmental services firm based in Laguna Hills. Hart currently offers a full service leasing plan for the replacement of USTs in the United States and performs environmental clean up of toxic wastes.

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COSTA MESA, CALIF. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Archive Corp. (NASDAQ:ACHV), a leading supplier of data storage products, Wednesday announced its final financial results for the 1990 fiscal year ended Sept. 28, 1990.

Results for fiscal 1990 include effects of the acquisition of Cipher Data Products in April 1990.

Revenue for fiscal year 1990 increased 62 percent to $293.2 million from $181.4 million in fiscal 1989. Net income for the year was $11.5 million, or 84 cents per share, compared to $15.3 million, or $1.15 per share, earned during the 1989 fiscal year.

Revenue in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 was $94.9 million as compared to $49.7 million in the same period in fiscal 1989. Net income was reported at $1.8 million, or 13 cents per share, compared to $4.2 million, or 31 cents per share, earned during the corresponding quarter a year ago.

''The Cipher acquisition accomplished a strategic goal: to broaden our product base and strengthen our position in the OEM and distribution markets,'' said D. Howard Lewis, chairman, president and CEO of Archive Corp.

In connection with the acquisition, Barclays Bank extended $147.2 million in credit to Archive. As of the end of the 1990 fiscal year, there was $125.2 million outstanding on the loan.

Founded in 1980, Archive Corp. today is a leading manufacturer and supplier of data storage products to original equipment manufacturers and resellers.

Archive and its companies offer a complete selection of drives and subsystems for economical computer data storage for minicomputers, workstations, multi-user systems and personal computers.

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RICHMOND, VA. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - James River Corp. (NYSE: JR) Wednesday announced the results for its second fiscal quarter which ended Oct. 28, 1990.

On a pro forma basis, reflecting the restructuring plan announced in August, sales for the quarter of $1.2 billion and operating income of $133 million were both essentially the same as last year. On the same basis, net income was $66.6 million, 7 percent below last year, and earnings per share were 81 cents compared to 88 cents last year.

The small decline in net income and in earnings per share was attributable to a higher effective tax rate and reduced earnings of pulp manufacturing affiliates.

These pro forma numbers have been recalculated as though the restructuring had been completed at the beginning of each fiscal year and include the application of the resulting proceeds from asset sales to reduce debt and repurchase common shares.

Management believes that the pro forma calculation provides a more meaningful year-to-year comparison of the restructured Company's results because each quarter has been restated to include the same operations.

Operating performance for the Consumer Products Business declined moderately from last year's second quarter due primarily to promotional spending in the retail segment. Strong demand improved year-to-year results for the commercial segment. The Company's Food and Consumer Packaging Business results were favorable year to year due to improved operating performance.

A positive development for this business during the quarter was McDonald's announcement that James River's Quilt-Rap is a cost-effective substitute for the foam clam shell. Communication Papers enjoyed results comparable to those of last year, on good sales and effective mill operations.

Reflecting accounting for the restructuring plan announced last August, James River reported net income of $61.8 million for its second fiscal quarter, down 7 percent from the prior year. Earnings per share were 68 cents compared to 75 cents a year ago.

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DALLAS (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - National Realty L.P. (AMEX:NLP) Wednesday announced operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, the partnership recorded a net loss of $5.9 million, or 67 cents per limited partner unit, on revenues of $24.9 million, compared with a net loss of $10 million, or $1.12 per unit, on revenues of $24.7 million in the third quarter of the prior year.

Last year's third quarter results included a provision for losses of $4.3 million. The third quarter of 1990 had no such provision, but included an extraordinary gain of $897,000 because the partnership extinguished debt related to foreclosure of one of its properties. The aggregate loss on foreclosure of this and another property was $1.1 million for the third

quarter of 1990.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net income was $4.4 million, or 50 cents per unit, on revenues of $73.9 million, compared with net loss of $14.3 million, or $1.58 per unit, on revenues of $72.5 million in the third quarter of 1989. The partnership recorded a gain on the sale of properties for the first nine months of 1990 and 1989 of $20.1 million and $6 million, respectively.

The partnership's loss from operations for the three and nine month period ended Sept. 30, was $5.6 million and $15.5 million, respectively. Loss from operations for the three and nine month periods in 1989 was $8.6 million and $17.1 million, respectively.

''As we expected, losses continued for the partnership in the third quarter,'' said a spokesperson for the partnership. ''However, operating cash flow at the property level has increased modestly -- an important factor in increasing the value of the partnership -- and the general partner anticipates continuing improvements.''

Since June 30, the general partner and its affiliates have demonstrated their continued confidence in National Realty's future by purchasing over 115,000 additional units.

National Realty L.P. is a national real estate investment partnership engaged in the acquisition, financing, operation and sale of real estate and real estate assets. The limited partners' ownership represents approximately 98 percent of the total partnership interest.

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VALENCIA, CALIF. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Huntway Partners L.P. (NYSE:HWY) said Wednesday it has entered into an agreement with its bank to increase its working capital line by $5 million.

The combined standby letter of credit and working capital facility of $41 million has not been increased. However, the $10 million working capital sub-limit has now been raised to $15 million.

This increase is in response to the higher working capital requirements prompted by the increase in crude oil and petroleum product prices resulting from the invasion of Kuwait.

Huntway is currently in default of certain provisions of its bank credit

agreement and continues to operate in default with the acquiescence of the bank. The partnership is current on all payments of interest and principal to its bank.

Huntway Partners L.P. owns and operates two crude oil refineries near Los Angeles and San Francisco and one in Arizona which principally produce liquid asphalt used as raw material in road construction and repair. Its preference units are traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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ANAHEIM, CA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - General Automation Inc. (ASE:GA) reported a loss of $460,000, or 4 cents per share, for the first quarter of fiscal (June 30) 1991 on sales of $12.3 million.

These results contrast to a loss of $179,000, or 2 cents per share, on sales of $9 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

In commenting on GA's performance, Leonard N. Mackenzie, president, made the following observations: ''Like so many other companies in the computer industry, we were forced to report a net loss in our first quarter.

''Nevertheless, our ongoing cost-control programs enabled us to again record a profit (albeit modest) for the seventh consecutive quarter before interest charges and the provision for income taxes, which together were 23 percent higher this year over last.

''Perhaps an even better measure of our improved efficiency showed up in our gross profits which, as a percent of sales, jumped from 41 percent in Q1/FY1990 to 46 percent in the first quarter this year.

''Although reported Q1/FY1991 sales are 36 percent higher than last year, the dollar figures have been adjusted to reflect the sale, at the close of fiscal (June) 1990, of General Automation Ltd. (GAL), our U.K. subsidiary, and our purchase of the controlling interest in SGA Pacific Ltd. (SGA), our distribution arm in the Far East.

In commenting on the company's financial condition, Don Rutherford, chief financial officer, pointed to a 20 percent gain in working capital to approximately $9 million and expressed pleasure that the company has reached a tentative agreement for a $750,000 revolving line of credit.

He noted that, if signed, this would mark the first time that GA has had access to a working credit line since 1986, roughly four years ago.

General Automation designs and manufactures computer systems for the database-oriented business systems market. Its systems, related applications software and field service capability are distributed through a multinational network of computer marketing and service support companies in the United States, United Kingdom, Europe, Latin America and the South Pacific/East Asia (SGA).

GA's proprietary GA/Maxial Hotel Property Management system presently operates in 14 countries. Annual revenues of the multinational group are now in excess of $110 million.

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SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Interactive Media Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:IMTX) Wednesday announced on the day of its annual shareholders' meeting that Canon Sales Co. Inc., of Japan has signed an agreement to acquire ten percent stock ownership of IMT and 9.9 percent stock ownership of IMT's software subsidiary, Interactive Media Intelligence Inc., according to R. Glenn Williamson, IMT's chairman.

''This is the day that many of our shareholders have been waiting for,'' Williamson said, ''the day when one of the world's great multi-national corporations like Canon Sales steps forth and shows confidence in IMT and our vision and products.''

Williamson noted that Canon Sales' dual acquisitions would provide IMT with the working capital needed to develop and bring the IMTX 8000, the world's first media integration system, and all IMT's future products, to a waiting worldwide market.

''Canon was especially interested in IMT since Canon Sales is one of the major systems integrators and sales companies in Japan and is a leading developer and distributor of Apple, Hewlett-Packard, and Floating Point Systems and other hardware and related software products in Japan,'' Williamson said.

The IMTX 8000 will be shown at the Canon Grand Fair, Canon Sales leading convention for its 30,000 retailers, suppliers and VIPs, from Nov. 28-30, 1990 at the Shin-Takanawa Prince Hotel in Tokyo.

The IMTX 8000 is the industry's first multimedia integration system. It is a combination hardware and software product that will enable desktop users to

produce studio-quality videos and business presentations at a fraction of the time and cost involved using current technology.

Canon Sales Co. Inc., a publicly-traded division of Canon Inc., is the exclusive distributor of the IMTX 8000 in Japan, and provides sales and distribution for Canon and other products such as Apple systems throughouth Japan.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Control Data Corp. and CSK Corp. announced Wednesday they have signed an agreement in which Control Data will sell its Micrognosis business to CSK, Japan's largest independent computer services company.

Terms were not disclosed. Closing is expected by the end of 1990.

Connecticut-based Micrognosis, a leading provider of integrated trading room systems to the finanical services industry worldwide, serves 250 international banks, insurance companies, securities firms and major corporations from 25 offices in 15 countries. It had revenues of approximately $100 million in 1989.

''Micrognosis is a market leader in Europe, Asia and the United States,'' said Lawrence Perlman, president and chief executive officer of Control Data Corp. ''With CSK's commitment to the market and to investing in Micrognosis, customers can be confident that Micrognosis will continue to provide advanced trading systems and features, as well as excellent service.''

''Globalization is essential if CSK is to achieve its goal of generating $10 billion (1.2 trillion yen) in revenues by the year 2001,'' said Isao Okawa, president and chairman of the board of CSK.

''CSK intends to expand internationally in fields such as financial services, manufacturing, facilites management, networking and database management. By acquiring Micrognosis, we are establishing an excellent foundation to do business beyond Japan.''

CSK's computer services include development of complex real-time banking systems. Its capabilities cover the full range of computer hardware from PCs to mainframes.

Control Data provides data solutions that integrate hardware, software, and services to meet customers' complex information collection, processing,

management and communications needs.

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JACKSON, MISS. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Deposit Guaranty Corp. (NASDAQ:DEPS) at its regular meeting Nov. 20, 1990, declared a quarterly cash dividend of 39 cents per share, payable Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record as of Dec. 14, 1990.

Deposit Guaranty Corp. is a multibank holding company that owns Deposit Guaranty National Bank, the largest bank in Mississippi, and Commercial National Bank of Shreveport, the fifth largest bank in Louisiana. As of Sept. 30, 1990, Deposit Guaranty Corp. and its subsidiaries reported assets of $4.758 billion.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Based on figures through September, 1990, the American Electronics Association (AEA) estimates that domestic sales of electronics products and services for 1990 will be approximately $307 billion, about 4 percent more than the $295 million reported for 1989.

Nine-month sales of $225.4 billion were 4 percent higher than the $216.8 billion reported in the comparable 1989 period. Orders for $221.8 billion in electronics products and services were placed on domestic plants in the first three quarters of 1990. This compares with $213.6 billion in the first nine months of 1989.

For the third quarter, sales increased 3.1 percent to $75.7 billion from $73.4 billion in 1989. New orders rose marginally to $73.6 billion from $73.2 billion.

In September, the ratio between sales and orders (three-month moving average) was below parity for the seventh consecutive month.

Setember, 1990, sales were $29.3 billion, up slightly from $28.9 billion in September, 1989. Orders were $28.9 billion compared with $30.0 billion a year

earlier.

J. Richard Iverson, AEA president and chief executive officer, said, ''The industry sales and orders in September are consistent with a generally sluggish economy. In fact, September was only the third month since March, 1987, that new orders were lower than in the same month of the previous year.

''The one bright spot is the sharp rise in computer and office equipment bookings in September,'' Iverson added. ''We'll have to wait and see if this is the start of a positive trend.''

Sales increased September to September in all product segments. Consumer products sales rose 4.9 percent and telecommunications products 3.2 percent. Third quarter 1990 consumer products sales fell 2.0 percent while telecommunications sales rose 6.9 percent.

AEA estimates of sales and orders are based on U.S. Department of Commerce data that has not been adjusted seasonally and is subject to DOC revision. The figures incorporate a software component.

The American Electronics Association represents more than 3,500 electronics companies located in technology concentrations throughout the United States. For almost 50 years, AEA has been the accepted voice of the U.S. electronics industry.

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WILKES-BARRE, PA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of First Eastern Corp. (OTC: FEBC) declared a regular quarterly dividend of 28 cents per share at their November board meeting held Wednesday at corporate headquarters in Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

The dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991 to stockholders of record Dec. 5.

At the same meeting the company announced that it is currently undergoing a reappraisal of its loan portfolio due to the continuing decline of the economy and a current regularly scheduled examination by the Comptroller of the Currency, which has not been completed.

As a result of this re-evaluation the company expects to make a special loan loss provision in addition to its normal provision for the fourth quarter.

While the exact amount of the special provision has not been determined, it is

expected to result in a loss for the fourth quarter. First Eastern's management anticipates that the loss may offset the earnings of the year's three previous quarters, leaving the company with nominal earnings or a loss for 1990.

Richard M. Ross, Jr., chairman and CEO, said that while this action is consistent with current economic trends, he remains optimistic that the company will return to profitable operations in the first quarter of 1991 and continue profitable operations throughout the year.

These projections include provisions for loan losses which are believed to be consistent with presently forecast economic conditions.

In addition, Ross expressed satisfaction that the company is maintaining its dividend at the present level. He explained that the company's strong capital position has enabled it to do this.

Despite disappointing earnings in 1990, the company's capital base remains strong. As of Sept. 30, Tier I risk-based capital stood at 8 percent and total risk-based capital above 10 percent. In the most recent peer report compiled by the Federal Reserve Bank, First Eastern's primary capital ratio was above the median when compared to peers across the country.

It is anticipated that there will be little change in these comparisons at year end.

Ross noted that capital is a significant measure of the strength of a banking institution, especially at a time when regulators are increasing capital adequacy requirements.

The chairman said the present leveling off in earnings would not have a lasting effect on the company's ability to serve its customers.

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SADDLE BROOK, NJ (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Interchange Financial Services Corp. has declared a quarterly dividend of 17.5 cents per common share, payable on Jan. 18, 1991, to holders of record as of Dec. 20.

On an annual basis, the dividend payout for the year will be 70 cents per

share which is the same amount as the prior year and based upon the most recent price of the stock, yields approximately 12 percent.

Anthony S. Abbate, president and chief executive officer, stated that the corporation is committed to maintaining its present level of dividends so long as capital ratios continue to be strong and earnings cover dividends on the preferred and common stock.

Interchange Financial Services Corp. is a one-bank holding company whose principal subsidiary is Interchange State Bank, a full-service commercial bank in Saddle Brook, N.J., with 11 offices throughout Bergen County. Total resources as of Sept. 30, were $252 million.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The Neiman Marcus Group Inc. (NYSE:NMG) Wednesday announced that Bernard Zeichner, president and chief operating officer of its Contempo Casuals subsidiary, has been named to the additional post of chief executive officer of that retail business.

Zeichner, 46 years old, has been president and chief operating officer of Contempo Casuals since 1982. He is assuming the chief executive officer responsibilities from Eve A. Rich, who has resigned as both CEO and chairman of Contempo Casuals.

The company also announced that Joyce Konrad, 45 years old, has been promoted to executive vice president and general merchandise manager at Contempo Casuals. Konrad has served as vice president of merchandising at Contempo Casuals for the past four years.

Contempo Casuals, headquartered in Los Angeles, sells apparel and accessories for young women through a chain of 249 stores in 31 states. In the fiscal year ended Aug. 4, 1990, Contempo Casuals had revenues of $274.9 million and operating earnings of $17.1 million, accounting for approximately 16 percent of total revenues and 17 percent of operating earnings of The Neiman Marcus Group.

The Neiman Marcus Group is a leading specialty retailer which includes Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman and Contempo Casuals.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation announced Wednesday that its Board of Directors approved continuation of the company's systematic stock repurchase plan for stock option and other compensation plans by authorizing the purchase, from time to time, of up to 3.2 million shares of the company's outstanding common stock.

Stock purchased pursuant to this authorization would be held as treasury stock and would be available for issuance upon exercise of employee stock options and for employee compensation plans.

Purchases would be made over an extended period at the discretion of the company officers. They will be effected in accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission price and volume restrictions.

This authorization is for stock option and other compensation plans and is not related to the company's 10-million share repurchase program, which was authorized by the Board on November 15, 1989. To date, the company has purchased 8 million shares under the previously authorized program.

The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation is the world's largest marketer of business information and related services, with worldwide revenue of $4.3 billion in 1989.

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Reid H. Gearhart, 212/593-6727.

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - In an application filed Wednesday with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Southern Electric Generating Company requested authority to incur obligations in connection with a proposed sale of a new series of pollution control revenue refunding bonds.

The bonds would be in a principal amount of $24.5 million and would be issued by The Industrial Development Board of The Town of Wilsonville (Alabama).

If the Securities and Exchange Commission approves today's filing and the transaction is consummated, proceeds from the sale of the refunding bonds would be used, along with other funds supplied by the company, to redeem the entire amount of the two issues outstanding of The Industrial Development Board of the Town of Wilsonville (Alabama)(Southern Electric Generating Company Gaston Plant Project) 8.5 percent Pollution Control Revenue Bonds, Series A and 11 percent Pollution Control Revenue Bonds, Series B.

Southern Electric Generating Company is owned in equal shares by Alabama Power

and Georgia Power Companies.

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Chris Conway, 205/250-2385.

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SOUTHPORT, CT (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Crystal Brands, Inc. (NYSE) Wednesday declared a fourth quarter cash dividend of 5 cents per share, payable on January 1, 1991 to shareholders of record on December 14, 1990.

Crystal Brands produces tailored clothing, dress furnishings and sportswear for men, women and boys under the brand names Eagle Shirtmakers, Evan-Picone, Gant, Haspel, Izod, Izod Lacoste, Palm Beach, John Weitz, Polo by Ralph Lauren for Boys, Pierre Cardin for Boys, Hunter Haig, Brannoch and Turnbury. The company also produces costume jewelry and accessories under the brand names Monet, Trifari and Marvella.

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CORAL GABLES, FL (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - ''Nineteen ninety was a year in which we exceeded the goals that we set for ourselves at the time of our Initial Public Offering last December,'' Gregory H. Browne, chief executive officer of Ramsay-HMO Inc. (OTC:RHMO) told shareholders following the company's first Annual Meeting Wednesday.

''Membership expanded by 26 percent, revenues increased by 20 percent, and earnings rose to $1.05. Our staff model medical facility network also expanded significantly in fiscal 1990 through the addition of 6 new medical centers. Through our 11 fully equipped medical facilities, we now have the capacity to accommodate our rapidly growing membership base.''

''Operating income for the year remained fairly flat as a result of the rapid expansion of our medical centers. We expect to see improvement in this area as membership expands to fill the newly created capacity.''

During the business session of the Annaul Meeting the board of directors announced that it had decided to withdraw its proposal to amend the company's Certificate of Incorporation to authorize an annual cummulative dividend of $1.05 per share for the company's Series A Preferred Stock.

Shareholders re-elected the board of directors for the coming year; Paul J.

Ramsay, Gregory H. Browne, Luis E. Lamela, John H. Randall, Michael S. Siddle, Thomas M. Haythe and Carloina Calderin. Shareholders also ratified the selection of Ernst & Young as independent auditors for the company for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991.

An amendment to the Qualified Incentive Stock Option Plan was also approved. The amended plan increases the number of shares which may be subject to options from 350,000 to 600,000 shares.

Ramsay-HMO Inc. owns and operates a South Florida-based health maintenance organization (''HMO'') serving the Miami Hispanic community and others in the Miami and Fort Lauderdale area. Approximately 75 percent of the company's HMO members receive primary medical care through the company's staff model ambulatory health care centers.

Approximately 25 percent of the company's membership is enrolled in its Medicare Plus plan. The company's HMO is the oldest HMO in Florida and is one of the largest HMOs in the Miami area.

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or
Noonan/Russo Communications, New York
Kathryn M. Baker, 212/979-9180.

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SANDWICH, MA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The Sandwich Co-operative Bank (NASDAQ:SWCB) Wednesday reported a net loss for its fiscal 1991 second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, of $542,000, or 30 cents per share, compared to net income of $384,000, or 21 cents per share, for the comparable period in 1989.

For the six month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, the bank reported a net loss of $1.8 million, or $1.00 per share, compared to net income of $1.1 million, or 60 cents per share, for the comparable period in 1989.

Frederic D. Legate, president and chief executive officer stated, ''We are disappointed the economy, over the past quarter, has not provided any relief to our loan customers and in turn our loan portfolio. However, we are pleased that after making additional loan loss provisions for the quarter we have maintained our strong capital position at over 12 percent of assets.''

At Oct. 31, 1990, the bank's non-accrual loans totaled $6.6 million or 2.86 percent of total assets. Other real estate owned (OREO) was $6.0 million resulting in total non-performing assets of $12.6 million or 5.48 percent of total assets. The bank's allowance for possible loan losses stands at $2.2 million or 17.58 percent of total non-performing assets.

At Oct. 31, 1990, the bank's net interest margin was 3.60 percent, total assets were $230.0 million, net loans were $162.3 million and stockholders' equity was $29.8 million or 12.97 percent of total assets.

The bank also announced that it was proceeding with its plan to form a holding company -- Sandwich Bancorp Inc. -- with Sandwich Co-operative Bank as the principal subsidiary. Under the plan, the existing shares of Sandwich common stock would be converted to an equal number of shares of common stock in the new holding company.

Legate stressed that Sandwich proposes to reorganize into a holding company structure in order to provide greater flexibility in its operations, including when opportune, the ability to repurchase shares of its common stock. The plan was approved by stockholders at the bank's annual meeting in August. Final implementation is subject to the approval of the Massachusetts Commissioner of Banks and the Federal Reserve Board.

The Sandwich Co-operative Bank, with eight offices in Southastern Massachusetts, is a state chartered bank and has its deposits insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) and the Share Insurance Fund (SIF) of Massachusetts.

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EL DORADO, AR (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of First United Bancshares Inc. of El Dorado, Ark. (NASDAQ/NMS: UNTD) has declared a quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on common stock. The dividend is payable December 26, 1990, to shareholders of record as of December 7, 1990.

First United is the bank holding company for the First National Bank of El Dorado, First National Bank of Magnolia, Merchants and Planters Bank, N.A. of Camden, and City National Bank of Fort Smith. First United is listed on the NASDAQ National Market system under the trading symbol "UNTD."

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FORT WORTH, TX (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE:PIR), announced Wednesday the completion of its acquisition of Sunbelt Nursury Group Inc., which was formerly traded on the American Stock Exchage, through the merger of its wholly owned subsidiary, Sun Acquisition Inc., into Sunbelt.

Under the terms of the merger, each outstanding share of Sunbelt common stock, other than shares held by Pier 1 Imports and its subsidiaries and shares held by shareholders who properly perfect their appraisal rights under Deleware law has been converted into the right to receive $12 in cash.

Pier 1 Imports had previously acquired through Sun Acquisition, approximately 96 percent of the outstanding Sunbelt common stock through a private purchase and the completion on Nov. 19, 1990, of a tender offer for any and all outstanding Sunbelt common stock at $12 in cash per share.

Pier 1 Imports Inc. is North America's largest and fastest growing specialty retailer of decorative home furnishings and related items with 541 stores in 44 states and Canada. For the fiscal year ended March 3, 1990, Pier 1 Imports had sales of $517 million and income of $25.5 million.

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by
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FORT WORTH, TX (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The new Tandy 1000 RL home computer is getting high marks from its owners. A recently-completed survey revealed that 94 percent of the respondents were either "satisfied" or "completely satisfied" with the unit.

The results of the survey were disclosed by Radio Shack President Bernard Appel at Tandy Corp.'s annual shareholder's meeting on Thursday, Nov. 8.

The survey, conducted in October by M/A/R/C Inc., of Irving, Texas, polled 200 buyers of the Tandy 1000 RL computer which was introduced July 25. It sought to determine customer satisfaction levels, the purchasing process, which members of the household were using the computer, and for what purpose.

"The 'RL' is selling well, and the overwhelming consumer approval is gratifying," Appel stated. "The survey's results appear to say there is a good market for non-business computers in the home."

Respondants said that the most important factors in choosing the "RL" were its price, its ease of use and its unique home management software. "While the computer will run any PC-compatible business software," Appel said, "its focus is on household tasks that are not business-related. There has never been a PC-compatible quite like it."

Seventy-two percent of those surveyed indicated they use the 1000 RL for "personal use only." Only two percent reported using it for "business only," and the remainder, 26 percent, said they use the RL for both.

A majority, 65 percent, said the Tandy 1000 RL is the first home computer they have owned. And 71 percent of those surveyed said two or more people in the home regularly use the computer.

While 65 percent said they had seriously considered purchasing a home computer 11 percent indicated they had given no thought to buying any computer until they saw the RL.

"We are extremely pleased with our customers' response to the Tandy 1000 RL," Appel said, "but we are equally gratified by their rating of our store personnel." Radio Shack's salesmakers were given a 93 percent approval rate by those surveyed, and more than 70 percent said the store personnel were either "extremely well informed" or "very well informed" about it.

In addition to the home market, Tandy is a leader in the business and work-at home PC market, and continues to aggressively develop and market other models for those markets.

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DALLAS (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Employees of Georgia-Pacific (NYSE:GP) have initiated nationwide action to implement an Employee Stock Ownership plan (ESOP) buyout of the Atlanta-based firm's mills and subsidiaries.

A petition encouraging employee ownership of the company is being circulated by employees in conjunction with International Business Consultants (IBC), an international consulting and management firm with representatives based in Dallas and Arkansas, engaged to handle business management, legal and financial services for Georgia-Pacific employees.

The purpose of the action is to create a new entity wholly owned by its employees. This proposed acquisition would represent the largest ESOP buyout of a public company in U.S. corporate history.

IBC officials have determined favorable market conditions, combined with Georgia-Pacific's solid asset base, cash flows and stong, productive labor force will facilitate a successful transaction. ''There is no question this action will have a strong economic impact on Georgia-Pacific employees in the areas of their long-term security and economic opportunity,'' said Joe Greer, a spokesperson for IBC.

IBC officials stress that no ESOP has ever been defeated by management, failed to obtain adequate financing, failed to result in a more profitable company, and no ESOP has ever lost money for its employee/owners. ''This is absolutely the right time for Georgia-Pacific employees to take this action,'' said Kevin McCool, an IBC representative in Dallas.

''We believe Georgia-Pacific management will have no choice but to stand solidly and positively behind all their employees in an action of this nature. To do otherwise would critically damage management's relationship with employees as the company now stands.''

Expectations of Georgia-Pacific's performance once the buyout is complete includes timely payoff of existing debts and a remaining strong cash-flow picture based on the company's past performance, a picture further strengthened with Georgia-Pacific's recent acquisition of Great Northern Nekoosa.

''Georgia-Pacific management has publicly declared the company is capable of generating substantially large cash flows--enough to retire its existing debt much quicker than most expect,'' Greer said.

''This tremendous success and potential may as well inure itself to the employees as opposed to outside shareholders.'' Actively involved employees and IBC representatives are setting no time table for the ESOP completion.

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John Samford, 817/467-5843

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HAMMONTON, NJ (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Empire Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:EMPR) Wednesday announced that Joseph B. Greer has been appointed by the board of directors of Empire to serve as president and CEO of Empire Savings Bank, SLA.

He will replace Frank M. Calletta who resigned his positions as president, CEO and director of Empire Financial Corp. and Empire Savings Bank.

Frank C. Bruno, chairman of the board, said that, ''Mr. Greer's substantial and valuable banking experience will be an asset to Empire.'' Bruno further indicated that '' Mr. Calletta will act as a consultant to Empire during the transitionary period.''

Headquartered in Hammonton, N.J., Empire Financial Corp. is a unitary savings and loan holding company which owns and operates Empire Savings Bank, SLA and its subsidiary. Empire Savings Bank, SLA, a New Jersey-chartered thrift, member SAIF and equal opportunity lender, operates full service banking centers throughout southern New Jersey.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Kemper High Trust expects to declare a monthly dividend of $0.0875 per share on Nov. 30, 1990, payable Dec. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

This is a reduction from the 10 cents per share paid in previous months.

Most financial markets, including the high yield corporate bond market, have come under considerable selling pressure throughout 1990. Three primary factors have been behind the sell-off: concerns over the weakening economy; continued selling of failed S&L bonds by the Resolution Trust Corp.; and selling by high yield mutual funds to meet redemptions. These developments have already been reflected in the Fund's published net asset value.

Kemper believes that high yield corporate bonds are attractive investments for producing high levels of income. We believe the new dividend level will still be very competitive.

We regret that this dividend reduction is necessary. It is essential however that we bring the dividend into balance with the income being earned by the Fund.

Kemper High Income Trust, one of six closed end mutual funds managed by Kemper Financial Services Inc., is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and the Midwest Stock Exchange Inc. Its symbol is KHI.

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Steve Radis, 312/917-8393
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REDWOOD CITY, CA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Polymer Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:APOS) Wednesday announced the revision of its joint venture agreement with the Dermik Division of Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. in the field of Ethical Dermatology.

As Rhone-Poulenc Rorer has previously announced, it intends to sell the assets of the Dermik division, including its 50 percent interest in the joint venture with APS. Under the revised agreement, upon consummation of the sale by Rhone-Poulenc Rorer, APS will receive an intitial payment for its

participation in the transaction.

The revised agreement also provides guaranteed funding of product development at APS in the Ethical Dermatology field for a minimum five year period commencing Jan. 1, 1991. No financial details were provided, but APS indicated that upon the sale of Dermik, the positive impact of this revision would be material to the company.

In May 1989, the companies entered into the 50-50 joint venture to develop a line of professional dermatology products worldwide. To date, the joint venture has filed an IND on ProZone, its unique sun protection system that uses genetically-engineered melanin to provide broad scale protection from harmful ultraviolet rays. The product is presently undergoing Phase 3 clinical studies required for the submission to the FDA of a New Drug Application. In addition, development work is being undertaken by APS on a second product in the Ethical Dermatology field.

Advanced Polymer Systems develops and manufactures patented Microsponge delivery systems which allow the release of active ingredients in a programmed or ''controlled'' manner.

Rhone-Poulenc Rorer is a global pharmaceutical company dedicated to the discovery, development, manufacturing and marketing of human pharmaceuticals in eight main therapeutic areas: cardiovascular, infectious diseases and AIDs, central nervous system and analgesia, allergy and inflammation, gastroenterology, bone metabolism, cancer and blood derivatives. Rhone-Poulenc Rorer has annualized sales of more than $3.5 billion and over $400 million per year investment in research. The company operates in all major markets of the world.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Equifax Inc. (NYSE:EFX) and Telecredit Inc. (NASDAQ:TCRD) jointly announced Wednesday that special shareholder meetings to consider the proposed merger of the two companies will be held Dec. 28.

Shareholders of record as of Nov. 26 will be entitled to vote at the meetings. Revised proxy materials will be sent to shareholders of record on or about Nov. 28.

Telecredit provides check authorization, credit card processing and other

payment services to retail merchants, financial institutions and others.

Equifax is the leading provider of information services and systems for consumer financial transactions throughout the United States and Canada.

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Bruce Richards, 213/410-4600

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MONTGOMERY, ALA. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - On Nov. 21, 1990, the board of directors of First Alabama Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:FABC) declared a cash dividend of 23 cents per share payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990.

First Alabama Bancshares Inc. is a multi-bank holding company providing banking services from 163 offices and bank-related services in the fields of mortgage banking, travel, credit-related insurance and securities brokerage.

First Alabama's common stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FABC.

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RONKONKOMA, NY (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Logitek Inc. (NASDAQ:LGTK) Wednesday announced results for the first quarter ended ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales decreased to $1,062,049 from $1,104,149. During the first quarter the company sustained a loss of $79,133, or 2 cents per share, as compared to net income of $11,121 for the prior first quarter.

Commenting on the results, Herbert L. Fischer, LOGITEK President stated, ''A general slowdown of business activity resulted in a reduced rate of sales orders since the beginning of fiscal 1991. We believe that lack of a timely federal government budget agreement and the weakened economy contributed to this slowdown. Our cost of sales were up slightly, while our more aggressive marketing and sales effort contributed to an increase in operating expenses during the first quarter. We are hopeful that the resolution of the budget crisis, in addition to an expected increase in contract manufacturing sales, will offset these factors during the second half,'' Fischer concluded.

LOGITEK Inc. manufactures and markets electronic power monitors and controls and electronic power supplies for use in mobile systems such as aircraft and space vehicles, aboard ships, vehicular mobile communications and radar systems, off-shore rigs, and pipeline control stations. In addition, LOGITEK is also engaged in contract manufacturing operations producing high technology finished products to customers' exact specifications.

LOGITEK Inc.
Operating results
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$1,062,049	$1,104,149
Net income (loss)	(79,133)	11,121
Earnings (loss) per share	$ (.02)	---

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WEST CALDWELL, NJ (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - First State Financial Services Inc., parent holding company for First DeWitt Savings and Loan Association, reported a net loss of $3.1 million or 98 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $654,000 or 21 cents per share for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The net loss for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $8.5 million ($2.69 per share) compared to a net income of $1.5 million (48 cents per share) for the same period in 1989.

First State's net loss of $8.5 million reflects a provision for loan losses of $11.8 million for the fiscal year. The loan loss provisions recognize the effect of the deteriorated real estate environment on First DeWitt's loan portfolio.

Michael J. Quigley, III, chairman and chief executive officer of First State, reported that assets at Sept. 30, 1990, decreased $23.1 million to $449.9 million compared to $473.0 million at Sept. 30, 1989, a decrease of 4.9 percent.

Deposits increased by $5.9 million to $389.7 million and loans decreased $24.7 million to $350.5 million. Quigley stated that First DeWitt Savings' capital

of $29.4 million continued to exceed all federal regulatory requirements.

Quigley also reported that First State's annual meeting will be held on Jan. 16, 1991.

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Emil Butchko, 201/575-5800

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SHEFFIELD, ALA. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The bank continues to experience an improvement in interest income from quarter to quarter.

The growth in the loan portfolio would account for this improvement. Even though there has been a large increase in savings deposits. The bank has been able to reduce cost of funds by 38 basis points during the 1989-90 fiscal year.

The core loan portfolio yield improvement coupled with the cost of fund reduction has rendered a pleasing improvement in net interest income for the bank.

Even though other expenses increased over the 12 month period, there was some reduction in the fourth quarter from 1989. After re-evaluating classified assets, the bank provided an additional provision for loan loss reserves of $130,000 in the fourth quarter. Unfortunately, the application of this entry in this quarter reduced earnings to a negative $7,085 before tax calculations.

Furthermore, provisions for loan losses are not considered for tax benefits since the bank has previously devoted over $3.9 million to loan loss reserves for tax purposes only.

Valley Federal Savings Bank
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Earnings
(Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended		12 Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Interest income	$2,724,792	$2,342,980	$10,328,483	$9,206,701
Interest expense	2,072,947	1,910,151	7,917,267	7,021,827
Net interest income	651,845	432,829	2,411,216	2,184,874
Other income	82,486	248,010	392,572	433,310
Other expense	611,216	631,933	2,351,540	2,021,130
Provision for loan loss	130,200	10,000	172,835	45,000
Earnings before tax expense	(7,085)	38,906	279,413	552,054
Income tax expense	58,446	16,000	153,446	190,000
Net earnings (loss)	(65,531)	22,906	125,967	362,054
Earnings (loss) per share	(18 cents)	6 cents	35 cents	$ 1.01
Shares outstanding	360,000	360,000	360,000	360,000

Valley Federal is a federally chartered FDIC insured savings bank operating four full-service offices in northwest Alabama. The common stock of Valley Federal Savings Bank is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol of VAFD.

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Billy Don Anderson, 205/383-1101

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - In a statement Wednesday, Koger Properties Inc. (NYSE:KOG) said it was clarifying and correcting recent news accounts about the company.

The company said that news accounts may have given some readers the mistaken impression that the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) was investigating the company.

The company said the SEC is conducting an informal investigation into trading in the company's stock but that there is no SEC investigation of the company.

The company noted that its business continued strong, with high occupancy levels and an increasing rent stream. Koger Properties recently reported funds from real estate operations in the second quarter that were in line with the prior year.

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John Rodgers, 904/396-4811

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WALTHAM, MA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Cambex Corp. announced Wednesday that is common stock is being traded on NASDAQ's National Market System, effective Nov. 20.

The company's shares were previously listed in the over-the-counter market under the stock symbol CBEX.

''With the steadily growing interest in the company, we felt it would be in the best interest of our shareholders to be traded on the broader National Market System. The company's stock symbol, CBEX, remains the same. Shareholders and other interested persons can now find the stock listed alphabetically under the company's full name in the NASDAQ National Markets section in regional daily and other financial publications both domestic and international,'' Schenkler said.

Cambex Corp., headquartered in Waltham, Mass., is a 23-year-old company that develops and manufactures central and expanded memory storage systems for IBM System/3080, System/3090, ES/3090 and ES/9000 mainframe computers, cache memory for IBM 3990 Model 3 DASD storage controllers, and peripheral enhancement products for IBM Series/1, RT and RS/6000 computers.

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  Sheldon M. Schenkler, 617/890-6000

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CHARLOTTE, NC (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Based on unaudited results, Harris Teeter Inc. announced Wednesday that sales for the October period (Oct. 3 - Nov. 6, 1990) were $112.9 million, up 5.5 percent over 1989 sales of $107 million.

Same store sales for the period were ahead 2.6 percent. At the end of the period, 129 stores were in operation, compared to 128 at the end of the same period in 1989.

Harris Teeter operates a group of 129 supermarkets in North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia. It is a subsidiary of Charlotte based Ruddick Corp., a diverse group of North Carolina companies, including American & Efird Inc., Jordan Graphics Inc., and Ruddick Investment Co.

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  Rush S. Dickson, 704/845-3495

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DALLAS (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - National Gypsum Co. announced Wednesday that it has received final approval from the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, to utilize the full $105 million made available under a Debtor-In-Possession revolving credit agreement previously completed with General Electric Capital Corp.

On Nov. 1, the court has approved up to an initial $25 million for immediate availability to the company.

The company also announced that it has Wednesday terminated its receivables facility with Citicorp North America Inc. and affiliates, utilizing approximately $30 million in cash collateral held for Citicorp and approximately $28 million from the new revolving credit facility. The balance of the new facility will be used for the company's operating needs.

National Gypsum Co. and its parent, Aancor Holdings Inc., filed voluntary petitions on Oct. 28, for protection under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. The Austin Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of National Gypsum was not included in the filing.

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MIAMI (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Vidoe Jukebox Network Inc. (VJN) (NASDAQ:JUKE) Wednesday announced that a wholly owned subsidiary of Tele-Communications Inc. (TCI), has completed a previously announced $5 million investment in the company.

According to the terms of the investment, TCI received 1,033,500 shares of the company's common stock, which represents approximately 9.8 percent of the total shares outstanding.

Net proceeds from the investment will be used to continue the expansion of the company's interactive music television service, The Jukebox Network, provide additional working capital, and fund initial development costs of new interactive television products based on the company's proprietary technology.

In addition to the investment, VJN and TCI also entered into an affiliation agreement which will lead to expansion of The Jukebox Network in TCI owned cable systems across the country. Launches have already been planned for Dallas (100,000 subscribers), Buffalo, N.Y. (83,000), and St. Louis (55,000).

Other announcements are expected in the near future, pending channel space availability and local market considerations.

Commenting on the transaction, VJN President/Chief Executive Officer Andrew H. Orgel said, ''The TCI investment strengthens the financial and cable industry positions of The Jukebox Network, which has already begun to receive strong support in the music industry and with viewers.

''TCI management understands what television can become with the combination of interactive technology and localized niche services.''

Peter Barton, senior vice president of programming for TCI added, ''We have done extensive research into interactive televison technology over the past 18 months, and believe that VJN has a very practical approach to developing new applications and introducing them into the marketplace.''

The private placement was arranged by Communications Equity Associates (CEA), the company's investment banker.

VJN also announced its results for the three month period ended Sept. 30. The company reported third quarter revenues of $3,797,000, an increase of 231 percent over the $1,145,000 for the like period in 1989. The company realized a loss of ($415,000) or (4 cents) per common share, as opposed to a loss of ($290,000) or (3 cents) for the like period in 1989.

Third quarter income before non-cash expenditures (which include stock compensation, depreciation, and amortization) was $63,000.

Year-to-date figures for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 show revenues of $9,821,000, an increase of 384 percent over the $2,028,000 reported for the comparable period in the previous year. The nine month loss was ($1,014,000) or (11 cents) per common share, compared to ($1,732,000) or (22 cents) for the like period in 1989.

The reduction of the loss compared to 1989 was attributed to significantly increased distribution of The Jukebox Network combined with effective cost control and economies of scale inherent in the expansion.

Regarding the third quarter results, Orgel said, ''We are very encouraged by the development of our advertising and ancilliary call revenue streams. Although our viewer revenues, particularly in September, did not meet our expectations, we will be using recently concluded research to help us fine tune the programming and marketing of The Jukebox Newtwork to drive viewer awareness and usage.''

Tele-Communications Inc. is traded over-the-counter with Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock trading separately under the symbols of TCOMA and TCOMB, respectively.

TCI's 11-1/8 percent Senior Subordinated Debentures, 7 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures and TCI Rights are traded in the over-the-counter markets, the latter two under the symbols of TCOMH and TCOMR, respectively.

Video Jukebox Network Inc. is an interactive television company that currently operates 118 units of The Jukebox Network, the leading interactive television network in the country. The Jukebox Network is available in 30 states and reaches over 10 million households.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The directors of Tri-Continental Corp., the nation's largest diversified, publicly-traded, closed-end equity investment company, Wednesday declared a distribution of $1.60 per share from net gain realized in 1990.

The distribution is payable Dec. 27, to common stockholders of record Nov. 30.

J. & W. Seligman & Co. Inc., founded in 1864, is an investment manager and advisor with over $7 billion in assets under management, serving individuals, institutions, and pension plans.

In addition to Tri-Continental, the firm manages the Seligman Family of Funds, with 30 portfolios and Seligman Select Municipal Fund, a closed-end, tax-exempt bond fund.

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  Ellen De Domenico, 212/488-0382

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SAN MATEO, Calif. (NOV 21) BUSINESS WIRE) - Franklin Multi-Income Trust (NYSE:FMI), a closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers Inc., Wednesday announced a monthly dividend of 8.95 cents ($.0895) per share payable on Dec. 14 to shareholders of record Nov. 30.

Franklin Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $43-billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.7 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, CA 94404.

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     #90325b0808 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire
LA BELLE, FL (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Mr. Ben Hill Griffin III, chiarman of Alico Inc. (ALCO), a La Belle, Fla. agribusiness company, announced Wednesday that net earnings for the fiscal year ending August 1990 were $4.7 million or 67 cents per share.

These values compare to net income earned during fiscal year 1989 of $8.8 million or $1.24 per share.

Total revenues for the 1990 fiscal year were $21.8 million compared to $26.8 million for the previous year.

Shareholders' equity at the end of August was $48.6 million compared to $45.9

million a year ago. Total assets increased by $11.8 million to $69.3 million and total liabilities increased by $9.1 million to $20.8 million.

Griffin stated that, ''The reduction in net income for 1990 resulted primarily from reduced citrus revenue and fewer real estate sales. The frost in February 1989 and the freeze in December 1989 both served to reduce the harvestable citrus crop. Income from all other areas was comparable to the previous year.''

Griffin further stated that, ''The Development of Regional Impact application for the Lee County property was completed and filed with the various regulatory boards in September 1990. Portions of the property are under consideration for expansion of the Southwest Florida Regional Airport and for a proposed University of Southwest Florida.''

Griffin remarked that, ''Additional citrus and sugarcane acreage was planted during the fiscal year and a St. Augustine sod project is currently in the development stage.''

CONTACT: Alico Inc., La Belle
W. Bernard Lester, 813/675-2966

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San Mateo, CA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Universal Trust (NYSE:FT), a closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers Inc., Wednesday announced a monthly dividend of 9.3 cents ($.093) per share payable on Dec. 31 1990 to shareholders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

Franklin Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $43- billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.7 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, Calif. 94404.

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#90325b0821 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The American Network Group Inc. (NASDAQ:AMNT, Boston Stock Exchange: ANW) Wednesday reported that it realized a loss of ($125,933) or (2 cents) per common share for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of ($223,811) or (3 cents) per common share for the corresponding period.

Total revenues for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 were $1,925,963, compared to $1,152,763 for the corresponding period, an increase of $733,200, or 67 percent.

Total revenues for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $2,851,106, as compared to $1,978,441 for the corresponding period, an increase of $872,665, or 44 percent.

The increase in total revenues for the second quarter was due primarily to an increase of $551,578, or 69 percent in advertising revenues of which the primary components consisted of news, which generated an increase of $30,970, or 6 percent and sports-related items, which generated an increase of $520,608 or 176 percent, and revenues of $263,465 generated by the company's radio station business segment, which was recently established on Nov. 1, 1989, with the completion by the company of its acquisitions of radio stations WPTN-AM and WGSQ-FM located in Cookeville, Tenn.

The increase in total revenues for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was due primarily to an increase of $520,608, or 176 percent in sports-related items and $511,699 in revenues generated by the company's radio station business segment.

Costs and expenses for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 were $2,003,586, as compared to $1,328,264 for the corresponding period, an increase of $675,322, or 51 percent. For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, costs and expenses were $3,201,808, as compared to $2,232,300 for the corresponding period, an increase of $969,508, or 43 percent.

The increases in costs and expenses for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 and for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were caused by (i) increased costs in salaries and related payroll costs and benefits, (ii) expenses associated with servicing certain sports-related items, (iii) costs related to the company's status as a public company, (iv) interest expense and (v) expenses of $318,498 and $609,973 incurred by the company's radio station business segment for the respective periods, which represent 16 percent and 19 percent of total expenses for the respective periods and 47 percent and 63 percent of the increases in total expenses when compared to the respective corresponding periods.

The company's net loss for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 was ($77,623) as compared to ($175,501) for the corresponding period. Net loss for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was ($350,702), as compared to ($253,859) for the corresponding period.

The company did not declare or pay any cash dividends on its outstanding convertible preferred stock during the second quarter of fiscal 1991. However the company is required to accrue 10 percent dividends on its convertible

preferred stock and to record such dividends in computing its results for a given period.

Consequently, the loss applicable to common equivalent shares for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 was ($125,933) or (2 cents) per share as compared to ($223,811) or (3 cents) per share for the corresponding period and for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the loss applicable to common equivalent shares was ($446,797) or (6 cents) per share, compared to ($349,957) or (5 cents) per share for the corresponding period.

CONTACT: American Network Group Inc., Nashville Larry D. Sensing, 615/742-6105

-30- 3880

#90325b0829 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

HICKSVILLE, NY (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Evergood Products Corp. (NASDAQ:EVGD), reported a loss of $654,348 (33 cents per share) for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to a profit of $1,734 ($.001 per share) for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The company reported a loss of $889,652 (45 cents per share) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to a profit of $170,751 (11 cents per share) for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 include the final effects of the FDA's ban of all L-Trytophan (''LTP'') products. The company has reformulated all products that formerly contained LTP and all costs of the recall are reflected in the results of operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In addition, the LTP ban has had a negative effect on sales at the retail level and therefore resulted in a reduction in the sales of several subsidiaries of the company.

CONTACT: Evergood Products Corp., Hicksville
Albert H. Zitzmann, 516/822-1230

-30- 1221

#90325b0831 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

SARASOTA, FLA (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - American Communications & Television Inc. a public company headquartered in Sarasota, Fla., has been advised of the resignation of the following directors:

Grover J. Friend
John Googel
Herbert Hurwitz
Arthur Leidesdorf

Suzanne H. Senter
Coy Eklund

CONTACT: American Communications & Television Inc., Sarasota, Lisa Haberkorn, 813/365-3700

-30- 632
#90325b0839 11/21/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Laser Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: PXLS) Wednesday announced that the company will extend the period of its exchange offer for the outstanding Series II Preferred Stock of the company until 20 business days after it distributes an amended Exchange Offer statement.

The company presently intends to further extend the Exchange Offer if and to the extent necessary to cause the Exchange Offer to terminate after the effectiveness of a Form S-1 registration statement for the common stock of the company underlying certain warrants issuable in connection with the Exchange Offer.

Individuals who have already tendered shares of Preferred Stock, will be requested to confirm their tenders. Without such confirmation, the shares of Preferred Stock will be returned promptly after the expiration of the Exchange Offer.

Furthermore, until the expiration of the Exchange Offer, any person desiring to withdraw shares of Preferred Stock previously tendered may do so by providing the company with a written notice of withdrawal.

The company, upon receipt of such notice in proper form, will promptly return the shares to the shareholder. Upon the termination of the Exchange Offer, all persons who have accepted the Offer will receive 4.25 shares of common stock and one Exchange Warrant for each share of Preferred Stock exchanged by them.

The company previously announced this conversion offer on Oct. 4, in an effort to combat arbitrage between the Preferred and Common Stocks.

Phoenix Laser Systems Inc. is a developer of integrated laser workstations primarily for use by the medical community. The company's initial efforts have focused on the design, development and testing of its first product, the Phoenix Ophtalmic Surgical Workstation. The Ophtalmic Surgical Workstation is a self-contained proprietary workstation that combines on-line diagnostic measurement, advanced laser beam positioning, high-speed tissue tracking, and therapeutic devices for the precise control of laser surgery. The company's technology permits surgery at cellular levels, without creating significant thermal damage to surrounding cells. Pheonix recently completed initial human

clinical testing of its technology.

CONTACT: Martin E. Janis & Co. Inc., Chicago
Beverly Jedynak, 312/943-1100

-30- 2528

#90325c0002 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pro-Dex Inc.(TICKER: PDEX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$502,885	$589,249
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$23,848	$133,286
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.10

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,260,455	$2,237,930
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$895,022	$865,549

-30- 991

#90325c0003 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bank of Granite Corp.(TICKER: GRIL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,611,257	$1,464,063
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.42	$0.39

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$322,207,014	$290,803,665
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$35,868,933	$32,229,587

-30- 810

#90325c0004 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Farmstead Telephone Group Inc.(TICKER: FONE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,614,000	$1,119,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(54,000)	$(247,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,980,152	7,980,152

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,070,000	$2,766,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$587,000	$574,000

-30- 1097

#90325c0005 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by International Shipholding Corp.(TICKER: INSH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$76,424,000	$67,694,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,791,000	$3,370,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.66	$0.58
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,142,914	5,081,208

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$458,947,000	$422,264,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$107,416,000	$99,631,000

-30- 1112

#90325c0006 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Beres Industries Inc.(TICKER: BERS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,651,400	$1,452,500
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$11,100	$(165,800)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,411,900	12,411,900

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,507,300	$5,629,600
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,877,300	$2,022,200

-30- 1078

#90325c0007 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pyramid Oil Co.(TICKER: PYOL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,012,274	$846,804
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$34,572	$(219,965)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.09)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,494,430	2,494,430

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,198,502	$5,589,810
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,427,752	$4,839,697

-30- 1080

#90325c0008 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by HON Industries Inc.(TICKER: HONI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$162,529,000	$152,513,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$10,804,000	$10,553,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.33	$0.31
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	32,999,154	34,509,302

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 29, 1990	Dec. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$280,480,000	$284,322,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$130,707,000	$128,203,000

-30- 1091

#90325c0010 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Cannon Pictures (TICKER: CNPI) has entered an agreement among Christopher Pearce, chief executive officer of Cannon, Euro-American Communications Inc., an

affiliate of Pearce and a Panamanian corporation, Pathe Communications Corp., a (TICKER: PCC) majority shareholder of Cannon, and Renta Properties Inc.

The agreement provides for Euro-American or its assign to purchase Pathe's ownership interest in Cannon and provides for certain agreements between Cannon and Pathe, effective at consummation of the transfer of Cannon's shares to Euro-American.

It also provides that simultaneous to the transfer Renta, an affiliate of Pathe, will transfer the real property at 8200 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, Calif., to Euro-American or its assign.

Cannon reports that Pathe's ownership interest being acquired by Euro-American shall not be less than 60% of the outstanding common stock of Cannon, with all of the Class B warrants of Cannon owned by Pathe.

The purchase price for the securities is $5.0 million in the form of a promissory note.

The purchase price for the real property is $9.0 million payable by Euro-American's promissory note secured by a second trust deed on the property.

-30- 1465

#90325c0011 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology Inc.(TICKER: SDOT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$511,959	$357,125
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(222,691)	$65,127
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	346,248,250	267,387,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,679,667	$2,459,641
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,005,707	$2,273,905

-30- 1113
#90325c0012 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Banponce Corp.(TICKER: BDEP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$4,210,000	$5,816,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.73	$1.01

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,088,374,000	$3,066,073,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$179,449,000	$173,711,000

-30- 794
#90325c0013 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Firstfederal Financial Services Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$559,282	$370,367
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.51	$0.34

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$334,044,897	$318,884,701
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$26,117,178	$24,818,671

-30- 815
#90325c0014 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Connecticut Water Service Inc.(TICKER: CTWS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,271,000	$8,120,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,251,000	$1,367,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.57	$0.63
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,189,732	2,152,652

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$145,892,000	$140,555,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,523,000	$2,567,000

-30- 1104

#90325c0015 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by High Point Financial Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,517,000)	$525,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.75)	$0.40

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$290,575,000	$272,800,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,005,000	$18,337,000

-30- 781

#90325c0016 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:25 that trade in

Partech Holdings Corp.(NASDAQ: APHC) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last bid-ask was 15/16, 1 1/4.

-30- 342

#90325c0018 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 19:

Electronic Clearing House Inc. - Uts. 11/12/92 (ECHOU), Wts. 11/12/92 (ECHOW)

The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 16:

Fair Grounds Corp. (FGNO)
MidAmerica Resources Inc. (MARI)

-30- 444

#90325c0019 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 20 due to an insufficient number of active market makers - listed on AMEX:

Environmental Tectonic (ENVT)

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 19:

Ames Financial Corp. (AMES); Insufficient number of regular market makers - security never quoted

Frontier Insurance Group Inc. (FRTR); Company request - listed on NYSE
Great Oaks Financial Corp. - Ut. 11/16/92 (GOFCU); Company request
Unifast Industries Inc. (UFST); Insufficient number of active market makers

-30- 730

#90325c0020 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Industrial Acoustics Co.(TICKER: IACI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$20,050,000	$21,245,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$526,000	$536,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.18	$0.18
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,898,936	2,898,936

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$64,882,000	$67,268,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$33,823,000	$31,833,000

-30- 1091

#90325c0021 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Hodgson Houses Inc.(TICKER: HDGH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,956,799	$1,963,676
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,791)	$(139,070)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.12)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,877,476	$4,488,698
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,117,175	$1,619,208

-30- 1005

#90325c0022 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Banks of Iowa Inc.(TICKER: BIOW).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$6,021,076	$6,155,260
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.97	$1.58

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,558,953,104	$2,556,483,075
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$184,601,026	$210,076,596

-30- 808

#90325c0023 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Revere Fund Inc.(TICKER: PREV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$544,342	$685,005
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$417,966	$553,107

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$22,571,555	$24,388,209
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$22,527,214	$24,233,794

-30- 933

#90325c0024 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Financial Bancorp.(TICKER: FFBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(608,000)	$4,184,000

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$0.78
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,378,645	5,378,645

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,305,636,000	$1,293,058,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$121,949,000	$118,711,000

-30- 886

#90325c0026 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:17 that trade in CV Reit has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol CVI.

-30- 292

#90325c0027 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in CV Reit has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CVI. Trading was resumed at 10:37.

-30- 326

#90325c0028 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:46 that trade in First Eastern Corp.(NASDAQ: FEBC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 11. The company is located in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

-30- 354

#90325c0029 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:16 that trade in Partech Holdings Corp.(NASDAQ: APHC) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 1/2, 1 1/4; down 7/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 366

#90325c0030 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Chemi-Trol Chemical Co.(TICKER: CTRL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$17,818,143	$17,818,822
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$716,554	$719,571
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.52	$0.52

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$36,795,807	$27,822,488
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$17,661,008	$15,945,867

-30- 1036

#90325c0031 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Action Products International Inc.(TICKER: APII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$344,820	$309,540
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(35,949)	$(9,346)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	682,942	759,950

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,298,447	$1,755,283
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,411,302	$1,456,812

-30- 1100

#90325c0032 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sparta Surgical Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$711,898	$996,427
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(27,705)	$(47,646)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,610,000	8,178,565

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Feb. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,302,897	$5,497,385
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$985,819	$190,866

-30- 1060

#90325c0034 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Retirement Villas Properties.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

1990 1989

REVENUES $1,517,129
$1,111,258 EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS) $0.00
$0.00 DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS $0.00 $0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS) $92,885 $(225,961)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER LIMITED PARTNERSHIP UNIT
$3.07 $(7.46)

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990 Dec. 31, 1989 TOTAL ASSETS
$23,143,396 $23,990,991 TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY
$21,704,424 $22,811,392

-30- 1041

#90325c0035 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Video Professor Industries Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$413,055	$403,061
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$65,084	$35,548
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,562,500	12,562,500

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$662,334	$436,636
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$252,928	$118,720

-30- 1073

#90325c0036 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Federal Savings Bank of Montana. (TICKER: FFSM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$620,992	$613,477
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.32	$0.31

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$175,845,700	$172,480,117
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$20,070,051	$19,626,186

-30- 838

#90325c0037 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by CARD*TEL INC.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$759,444	$1,386,178
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(307,759)	$(141,411)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,670,008	6,670,008

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,727,495	$3,131,065
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(1,504,701)	$(1,133,640)

-30- 928

#90325c0038 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 1 1990, James W. Hammond Jr. resigned from the board of trustees of the company in conjunction with his resignation from the board of trustees or directors of certain other related real estate investment trusts.

-30- 434

#90325c0039 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows ASA Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of ASA International Ltd., has agreed to acquire a division of Laventhol & Horwath based in Baltimore.

The division develops, markets and supports software for tire dealers, distributors and retreaders. The acquisition is expected to be completed in December, 1990.

-30- 534

#90325c0040 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:15 that trade in First Eastern Corp.(NASDAQ: FEBC) has been resumed. The first sale was 11; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 344

#90325c0042 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Decade's Monthly Income and Appreciation Fund.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$120,517	$105,703
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,523	$26,554
NET INCOME PER LIMITED PARTNER INTEREST	$0.51	$4.37

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,671,717	$5,199,842
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,170,475	$4,620,469

-30- 976

#90325c0043 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$32,488,000	$18,034,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$8,888,000	$5,325,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.35	$0.20

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$390,688,000	$349,282,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$57,708,000	$42,163,000

-30- 857

#90325c0044 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United States Antimony Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$803,930	$686,774
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(174,494)	$(1,331,364)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,737,900	10,720,158

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,382,523	$5,082,803
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$317,685	$837,415

-30- 951

#90325c0045 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by FB&T Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,324,000	$1,213,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.68	$0.63

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 30, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$546,955,000	$516,202,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$39,284,000	$36,950,000

-30- 664

#90325c0046 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Evergood Products Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,510,876	$5,537,142
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(654,348)	$1,734
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.33)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,955,457	1,600,121

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,573,536	$12,713,545
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,372,709	$4,060,760

-30- 937

#90325c0047 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Builders Transport Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$60,664,516	$58,437,225
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(9,325,489)	$589,392

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$201,241,908	$218,207,990
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$41,477,389	$48,687,667

-30- 812

#90325c0048 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Arabian Shield Development Co.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,263,334	$3,125,614
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(64,689)	$(415,831)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	15,341,490	15,401,490

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$29,483,688	$28,505,464
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,967,668	$18,588,268

-30- 958

#90325c0050 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Aspen Leaf Inc. on Nov. 4, 1990, agreed with an independent third party, Desmond's Inc., to liquidate all its inventory at prices and under terms and conditions set forth in the agreement, starting Nov. 5, 1990, and continuing until Jan. 15, 1991.

-30- 448

#90325c0051 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sunshine Precious Metals Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,110,000	$6,356,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(5,711,000)	$(4,845,000)

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$109,140,000	$116,029,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$37,209,000	$39,973,000

-30- 856
#90325c0052 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cheshire Financial Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$264,000	$893,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$0.25
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,557,000	3,580,000

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$616,216,000	$541,116,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$73,313,000	$72,419,000

-30- 746
#90325c0053 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Miramar Resources Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$318,746	$269,650
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$8,397	$27,231
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,038,990	4,643,790

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,540,992	$4,104,278
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,041,874	$2,899,182

-30- 927
#90325c0054 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Yardley Ventures Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,229	$2,178
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(17,018)	$(16,408)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	200,100	200,100

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$92,230	$108,019
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$75,777	$92,795

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-30- 953
#90325c0055 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:45 that trade in Georgia Pacific Corp. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol GP.

-30- 345
#90325c0056 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:04 that trade in Cherne Medical Inc. (NASDAQ: CHNE) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 7/8; down 5/8 points from the halt, and previous close.

-30- 346
#90325c0058 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Best Energy Systems Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$429,000	$205,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$69,000	$5,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,300,000	$1,398,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$935,000	$1,014,000

Figures are expressed in Canadian dollars.

-30- 908

#90325c0059 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Maritek Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$92,167	$39,580
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(555,423)	$(668,050)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,544,845	9,741,500

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,470,103	$2,897,846
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,280,812	$2,756,085

The company, a development stage enterprise, reports its operating funds have been obtained primarily through the sale of common and preferred stock of the company, and that it has sustained substantial operating loss from inception to date. Its executive address is P.O. Box 6755, Corpus Christi, TX 78466, and its telephone number is (512) 851-2701.

-30- 1276
#90325c0060 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Trico Products Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$58,210,000	$52,715,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$420,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,465,000	$676,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.79	$0.37

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$154,133,000	$149,905,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$90,219,000	$83,716,000

-30- 868
#90325c0061 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bangor Hydro-Electric Co.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$31,499,000	$28,330,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,210,000	$2,235,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.41	$0.49
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,451,000	4,451,000

-30- 762
#90325c0062 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Georgia-Pacific Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol GP. Trading was resumed at 13:56.

-30- 355

#90325c0063 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 005

GROUP LED BY PLACER DOME INC OF VANCOUVER, B.C., CANADA OWNS 8,785,623 SHARES (98.30%) OF CONTINENTAL GOLD CORP (TICKER: CNTVF) OF VANCOUVER, B.C., CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Mr. John M. McConville is no longer the secretary and a director of PDI Subco. John A. Eckersley has been appointed as McConville's replacement. On Oct. 30, 1990, the incumbent directors and executive officers of Continental were replaced by directors and officers appointed by Placer. On Nov. 19, 1990, PDI Subco mailed a notice of acquisition to all holders of common shares of Continental pursuant to Section 279 of the British Columbia Company Act to acquire on the terms of the offer the shares of such shareholders who did not accept the offer. Continental is commencing the actions necessary to effect the delisting of the shares on The Toronto Stock Exchange, the Vancouver Stock Exchange and the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System.

PURPOSE: Replacement of officers and directors of Continental.

-30- 1228
#90325c0064 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY HOWARD W ATWOOD OWNS 78,350 SHARES (5.09%) OF FALLS FINANCIAL INC (TICKER: FFII) OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, OH.

ANNOUNCEMENT: No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION: From Aug. 6, 1990 through Nov. 1, 1990, Howard W. Atwood acquire 867 shares through the Trustee at a price of $12.75 to $14.75 per share. Joann M. Atwood acquired 1,096 shares at $12.50 per share for a total purchase price of $13,700.

PURPOSE: Investment

-30- 671
#90325c0066 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 005

GROUP LED BY NOEL GROUP INC OWNS 5,409,700 SHARES (23.00%) OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC (TICKER: GNR) OF HOUSTON, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT: The filers purchased 1.1 million shares on Nov. 5, 1990 in exchange for a $7,012,500 note and purchased an additional 214,700 shares from Oct. 19 to Nov. 15, 1990 for $6.13 to $7 per share.

-30- 538
#90325c0067 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 001

GROUP LED BY RD HUBBARD OWNS 0 SHARES (%) OF HOLLYWOOD PARK REALTY ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: HTRF) OF INGLEWOOD, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: On Nov. 19, Hubbard and the company announced that they had reached an agreement to dismiss Hubbard's suit and to confirm that HP Realty's poison pill does not apply to public proxy contests or consent solicitations. On the same date, Hubbard was elected to Realty's board. He stated that unless a satisfactory settlement with HP Operating Co., he is prepared to proceed with his proxy contest and consent solicitation. Also on Nov. 19, Realty elected Hubbard to its board of directors.

-30- 830
#90325c0068 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 003

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC OWNS 2,442,740 SHARES (22.55%) OF UNITED TELEVISION INC (TICKER: UTVI) OF BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION: From Sept. 17 to Nov. 16, 1990, the filers purchased 62,756 shares and sold 18,700 shares for $27.25 to $29.75 per share.

PURPOSE: For investment

-30- 570
#90325c0069 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 004

GROUP LED BY PIER 1 IMPORTS INC OF GROUP LED BY FORT WORTH, TX OWNS 96% OF SUNBELT NURSERY GROUP INC (TICKER: SBN) OF FORT WORTH, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Pier 1 announced on Nov. 19 that it has successfully completed its tender offer with 1,725,401 shares tendered and accepted, giving Pier 1 96 percent of the issuer's common stock.

-30- 533

#90325c0074 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:40 that trade in Hart Technology Inc.(NASDAQ: HTII) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 3/16, 1/4. The company is located in Pleasant Grove, Utah.

-30- 360

#90325c0075 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - GARY POLINSKY OF WAYZATA BLVD, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL GAMING MANAGEMENT THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL GAMING MANAGEMENT TEL: 612 542-1410)

-30- 433

#90325c0076 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT M BERNSTEIN OF 1030 TIVERTON AVE #319, LOS ANGELES, CA 90024, HAS FILED TO SELL 460,000 SHARES OF TENSIODYNE CORP THROUGH FINL EQUITIES RES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(TENSIODYNE CORP TEL: 213 208-5589)

-30- 410

#90325c0078 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - JACK R BUCHANAN OF 1990 PHEASANT CIRCLE, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84121, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF MICROSHARE CORP. THROUGH WASATCH STOCK TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(MICROSHARE CORP. TEL: 801 262-6755)

-30- 407
#90325c0079 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM BREGMAN OF 939 WEST 47 COURT, MIAMI BEACH, FL 33140, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED VIRAL RESEARCH CORP. THROUGH CASTLE SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(ADVANCED VIRAL RESEARCH CORP. TEL: 305 374-4847)

-30- 437
#90325c0080 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM M REYNOLDS JR OF 8445 ROSELAND AVE, MOORE PARK, CA 93021, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF G.I. INDUSTRIES THROUGH OTRA CLEARING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(G.I. INDUSTRIES TEL: 818 782-2474)

-30- 396
#90325c0081 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERWEST PARTNERS III OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, BLDG #3 SUITE #255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7114)

-30- 427
#90325c0082 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERWEST PARTNERS II OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, BLDG #3 SUITE #255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 71,250 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7114)

-30- 425
#90325c0083 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR YOUNG FOUNDATION OF 277 PARK AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 437
#90325c0084 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD L GRIFFITH JR OF 11221 CATALINA CT, CUPERINO, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 453-7300)

-30- 415
#90325c0086 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EMANUEL E LANDSMAN OF 3 BROOKWOOD RD, LEXINGTON, MA 02173, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,945 SHARES OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC) THROUGH PAINEWEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. TEL: 401 789-5735)

-30- 452
#90325c0087 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL P GEISBERG OF 80 DORCAR ST, NEWTON, MA 02159, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 436
#90325c0088 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SELIM K ZILKHA OF 750 LAUSANNE ROAD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90077, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF THE NEWHALL LAND & FARMING CO. (TICKER: NHL) THROUGH ROTHCHILD INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(THE NEWHALL LAND & FARMING CO. TEL: 805 255-4000)

-30- 446
#90325c0089 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NANCY Z NOBLITT OF 21 LOOKOUT RD, MTN LAKES, NJ 07046, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET) THROUGH RAFFENSPERGER HUGHES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(BIOMET INC. TEL: 219 267-6639)

-30- 393
#90325c0090 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROCK FOUNDATION OF ONE MARITIME PLAZA #1220, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111, HAS FILED TO SELL 43,850 SHARES OF TELEDYNE INC. (TICKER: TDY) THROUGH VOLPE WELM & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(TELEDYNE INC. TEL: 213 277-3311)

-30- 411
#90325c0091 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROCK FOUNDATION OF ONE MARITIME PLAZA #1220, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(APPLE COMPUTER INC. TEL: 408 996-1010)

-30- 434
#90325c0092 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY O MARINO OF 3735 NW 52ND ST, 0, BOCA RATON, FL 33496, HAS FILED TO SELL 518,967 SHARES OF BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOCA) THROUGH J.W. GANT & ASSOCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 394-3066)

-30- 434
#90325c0094 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARYLYN K BELL OF 2750 E CEDAR AVE, DENVER, CO 80209, HAS FILED TO SELL 77,500 SHARES OF WILLIAMS CONTROLS INC. (TICKER: WMCO) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(WILLIAMS CONTROLS INC. TEL: 503 684-8600)

-30- 416
#90325c0095 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - & YOUNG ERNST OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,500 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 409
#90325c0096 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DALE FINL CONSULTING SVCS INC OF 20281 E COUNTY CLUB DR PH-7, N MIAMI, FL 33180, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,300 SHARES OF DELTA RENTAL SYS INC. (TICKER: CRUZ) THROUGH LITWIN SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(DELTA RENTAL SYS INC. TEL: 305 935-3388)

-30- 458
#90325c0097 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SANDRA K LERNER OF 1243 LAUREL ST #B, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 82,500 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 416
#90325c0098 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOSACK OF 590 THIAN WAY, PALO ALTO, CA 94306, HAS FILED TO SELL 82,500 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 409
#90325c0099 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RANDALL S REIS OF 624 MAIN ST, SAUSALITO, CA 94965, HAS FILED TO SELL 48,218 SHARES OF VITAFORT INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VFRT) THROUGH GILFORD SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(VITAFORT INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 415 388-3738)

-30- 421
#90325c0100 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERWEST PARTNERS II OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, BLDG #3 SUITE #255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,625 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7114)

-30- 425
#90325c0102 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK P VINCE OF 3309 SWANSON DRIVE, PLANO, TX 75025, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CONVEX COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CNX) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(CONVEX COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 214 497-4000)

-30- 419
#90325c0103 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SIGMA PARTNERS LP-CAL OF 2884 SAND HILL RD, SUITE 121, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX) THROUGH ADAMS HARKNESS & HILL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(BYTEX CORP. TEL: 508 480-0840)

-30- 424
#90325c0104 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SANDRA K LERNER OF 1243 LAUREL ST #B, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 416
#90325c0105 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS C STEVENS OF 24 MARINERS CR, SAN RAFAEL, CA 94903, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,369 SHARES OF CELEREX CORP. (TICKER: CEXY) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(CELEREX CORP. TEL: 206 623-0225)

-30- 402
#90325c0106 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOXER OF 122 CLIPPER LANE, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 402
#90325c0107 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by DynCorp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$178,071,000	$159,425,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$411,000	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,001,000)	$(2,642,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.96)	$(0.90)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,739,465	4,725,634

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$283,798,000	$298,650,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$24,822,000	$26,346,000

-30- 966

#90325c0108 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Med-Care Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,048,391	$2,683,397
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$154,506	$(126,914)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,719,044	5,298,154

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,809,170	$12,491,532
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,059,677	$1,808,011

-30- 961

#90325c0110 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Southern Security Life Insurance Co.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,937,931	$1,772,233
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$61,726	$(183,995)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$(0.10)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,844,694	1,844,694

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$48,184,376	$41,030,591
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,441,823	$9,020,009

-30- 977

#90325c0111 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Citizens Financial Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,009,000)	$394,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.44)	$0.19

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$615,467,000	$644,516,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$24,367,000	$29,881,000

-30- 738

#90325c0112 11/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Home Port Bancorp Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,799,000)	$680,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.85)	$0.31

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$114,628,000	$117,295,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$26,126,000	$28,626,000

-30- 681
#90325c0113 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Federal Savings and Loan Association of South Carolina.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,680,708	$(355,500)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.36	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,698,972	4,777,146

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,290,760,521	$2,344,229,504
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$97,213,846	$95,387,509

-30- 850
#90325c0114 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Southward Ventures Depositary Trust.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$50,453	$45,090
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(4,295)	$(39,824)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER TRUST CERTIFICATE	$(0.00)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,219,846	3,219,846

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$817,309	$859,345
TRUST CERTIFICATE HOLDERS' EQUITY	$172,702	$213,492

-30- 1019
#90325c0115 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Golden Triangle Royalty & Oil Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$23,913	$28,078
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(37,274)	$(85,969)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	32,233,037	30,636,651

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989	
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,477,852	$1,668,714
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,359,225	$1,542,152

-30- 954
#90325c0117 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, MICHAEL H EPSTEIN, DIR. OF MINI-COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 872,726.

-30- 333
#90325c0119 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, GIOVANNI CAMPORESE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF A & A FOODS LTD. (TICKER: ANAF), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $3.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90325c0120 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, GIOVANNI CAMPORESE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF A & A FOODS LTD. (TICKER: ANAF), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $3.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90325c0121 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GIOVANNI CAMPORESE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF A & A FOODS LTD. (TICKER: ANAF), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90325c0122 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GIOVANNI CAMPORESE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF A & A FOODS LTD. (TICKER: ANAF), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90325c0123 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GIOVANNI CAMPORESE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF A & A FOODS LTD. (TICKER: ANAF), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 723,900.

-30- 332
#90325c0124 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, GIOVANNI CAMPORESE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF A & A FOODS LTD. (TICKER: ANAF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $3.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90325c0125 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, GIOVANNI CAMPORESE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF A & A FOODS LTD. (TICKER: ANAF), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,850,710.

-30- 341
#90325c0127 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, DOROTHA GRAHAM, DIR. OF A & A FOODS LTD. (TICKER: ANAF), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $3.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,400.

-30- 303

#90325c0128 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JON H MOORES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN BANCORP (AL) BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,505.

-30- 343
#90325c0129 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, R W ORR JR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN BANCORP (AL) BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,371.

-30- 313
#90325c0130 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, BARRETT C SHELTON JR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN BANCORP (AL) BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,351.

-30- 327
#90325c0131 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, LAWRENCE J AMODEO, BEN. OWNER OF UNIVERSAL CAPITAL INC. SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90325c0132 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, LAWRENCE J AMODEO, BEN. OWNER OF UNIVERSAL CAPITAL INC. SOLD 90,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,196,207.

-30- 322
#90325c0133 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, BERNARD J RICK, DIR. OF UNIVERSAL CAPITAL INC. SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 248,621.

-30- 303
#90325c0135 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 22, 1990, THADDEUS A WIER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF UNIVERSAL CAPITAL INC. SOLD 213,490 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,302,750.

-30- 357
#90325c0136 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 01, 1990, THADDEUS A WIER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF UNIVERSAL CAPITAL INC. SOLD 80,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90325c0137 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 04, 1990, THADDEUS A WIER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF UNIVERSAL CAPITAL INC. SOLD 80,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90325c0138 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, THADDEUS A WIER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF UNIVERSAL CAPITAL INC. SOLD 54,151 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,843.

-30- 350
#90325c0139 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, BERNARD D FISCHMAN, TTEE OF MILLS MUSIC TRUST SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,451.

-30- 301
#90325c0140 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, STAN C BROADWAY, VP OF NATIONAL HEALTHCARE INC. BOUGHT

20,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 321
#90325c0141 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, LELA M ENCE, DIR. OF ZION COOPERATIVE MERCANTILE INSTITUTION BOUGHT 167 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 357.

-30- 332
#90325c0143 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, SELECTIVE FUN #6 ATALANTA, BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT OILFIELD CORP. (TICKER: SOFC), BOUGHT 507,086 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 801,195.

-30- 356
#90325c0144 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, L MARK NEWMAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT OILFIELD CORP. (TICKER: SOFC), SOLD 507,086 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90325c0145 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, L MARK NEWMAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT OILFIELD CORP. (TICKER: SOFC), BOUGHT 507,086 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 801,195.

-30- 368
#90325c0146 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, PHILIP L POMERANCE, VP OF MEDICAL MANAGEMENT OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: MMA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 340
#90325c0147 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JEFFREY T ZYWICKI, SHAREHOLDER OF NATIONAL HEALTH ENHACEMENTS SYS INC. BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,050.

-30- 346
#90325c0148 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WILLIAM M SHAW, OFFICER OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBSA), SOLD 5,100 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15.

-30- 339
#90325c0149 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, CLIFFORD H BUCHER, DIR. OF ACNB CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,714.

-30- 278
#90325c0151 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 26, 1990, M LARRY LAWRENCE, BEN. OWNER OF YUBA WESTGOLD INC. BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90325c0152 11/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, M LARRY LAWRENCE, BEN. OWNER OF YUBA WESTGOLD INC. BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,273,400.

-30- 314
#90325d0120 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (NOV. 21) - Moscow intends to retain control over Soviet Interior Ministry troops to deal with internal threats to the security of the union, the force's commander, General Yuri Shatalin, told the army daily Red Star on Wednesday.

Speaking of a parliamentary bill under preparation, Gen. Shatalin said it provided for "structural divisions of interior troops into all-union (federal) formations and units assigned to settle emergency tasks in the interests of security of all subjects of the federation" at a time when there are increasing "trends for greater independence of union republics".

The bill also provides for the troops - currently recruits doing their national service - to serve on a volunteer basis, under contract.

The number of troops is a state secret but their numbers have been expanding as a result of recent violent flare-ups across the country triggered mainly by inter-ethnic conflicts.

The bill also provides for union-republican units to protect labour camps and special motorised militia units subordinated to republican interior ministries the general added.

States of emergency, involving the use of interior ministry troops, are currently in force in Nagorny-Karabakh, a disputed Armenian enclave inside Azerbaijan, in Baku, the capital of Azerbaijan, in the autononous republic of Nakhichevan, an Azeri territory bordering Iran and Turkey and in the Megri corridor which links Nakhichevan to Azerbaijan proper through Armenia, an Interior Ministry official told AFP Wednesday.

Armenia itself, including its capital Yerevan, is also under a state of emergency, along with the autonomous republic of Abkhazia, in Georgia, and five regions in southern Moldavia which are home to the Gagauz community.

In central Asia, Dushanbe in Tadzhikistan, Ferghana in Uzbekistan and several areas in and around the town of Osh, Kirghizia, are also subject to a state of emergency, the official added.

-30- 2157

#90325d0250 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (NOV. 21) - The governor of Namibia's Central Bank, Wouter Bernard, confirmed Wednesday he had resigned his post, Namibian radio reported here.

Mr. Bernard said he had handed in his resignation 10 days ago after informing President Sam Nujoma of his decision.

Dutch-born Mr. Bernard was appointed governor in July after he was recommended by the International Monetary Fund (IMF), which also paid his salary.

Mr. Bernard told radio news his resignation would be discussed at next week's meeting of the Namibian cabinet. The cabinet would also consider a request that his three-month notice period be shortened.

He said once this request had been granted he would explain the reasons for his resignation but added that all he was prepared to say at present was that it had not been prompted by personal reasons.

-30- 994

#90325d0290 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (NOV. 21) - South Africa's worst drought since 1930 has cut by 65 percent the amount of maize normally planted by this stage in the season, the Maize Board said here Wednesday.

In a statement, the board said that only 472,000 hectares (1.2 million acres) had been planted as opposed to the average plantings for the corresponding period of the last four years of 1.36 million hectares (3.35 million acres).

Economists have said that unless it rains in the maize growing areas in Transvaal and Orange Free State provinces within the next two weeks, a severely impoverished maize harvest can be expected.

National Maize Producers Organisation (NAMPO) economist Kit le Clus said that agricultural authorities were preparing for a "worst-case" scenario of a maize crop of six million tons.

This represents one million tons less than needed for domestic consumption and 5.5 million tons less than the record 11.5 million tons produced in 1989.

-30- 1137

#90325d0320 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 21) - British telecommunications group Cable and Wireless, announced a 25 percent increase in taxable profits Wednesday to 301 million dollars (593 million pounds) from 241 million (475 million dollars) last year.

"For all the uncertainty of the world economic climate, the telecommunications industry is in good shape and growing vigorously", said the new Cable and Wireless president, Lord Young of Graffham. He forecast further profits and an increase in dividends.

But although the dividend per share has only increased by five per cent to 15.1 pence, previously 14.4 pence, the group has increased the initial dividend by 19 percent to 3.7 pence per share, previously 3.1 pence.

Turnover rose by 16 percent to 1.26 billion pounds (2.48 billion pounds) for the six months ended in September, in comparison with 1.09 billion (2.15 billion dollars) the previous year.

Cable and Wireless indicated that without the present unfavourable currency

shifts, the operational profit of 288 million pounds (567 million dollars) would have been 24 million (47 million dollars) higher. Lord Young warned that this negative effect would be increasingly in evidence during the second six months.

The taxable result is in line with analysts' predictions of between 290 million pounds (571 million dollars) and 320 million (630 million dollars).

Lord Young applauded proposals to give greater freedom to the telecommunications market made last week by the British government. Cable and Wireless is British Telecom's sole competitor, and has been so since 1982. It is "the chance we have been waiting for", said Lord Young.

In the first six months the turnover achieved on the British telecommunications market increased by 29 percent which allowed the subsidiary Mercury Communications to more than double their operational profit from 22 million pounds (43 million dollars) to 50 million (98 million dollars).

During the early morning, shares were being traded at 423 pence in the Stock Exchange.

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TOKYO (NOV. 21) - Tokai Bank Ltd. said Wednesday its net profit dropped 12.4 percent from a year earlier to 31 billion yen (225 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Revenues, however, jumped 35.6 percent to 1,337 billion yen (9.7 billion dollars), Japan's eighth biggest bank said.

The bank forecast a net profit of 62 billion yen (450 million dollars) for the year to March, slightly down from an earlier estimate of 60 billion yen (435 million dollars).

The revenue forecast remained unchanged at 2,700 billion yen (20 billion dollars).

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#90325d0560 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (NOV. 21) - Former Gulf war foes Iraq and Iran on Wednesday resumed an exchange of prisoners from the eight-year conflict, after a break of more than two months in the release of POWs.

Teheran Radio said 238 Iranian POWs who had been convicted by Iraqi courts for crimes committed during their captivity were freed and flown home to the Iranian capital aboard an Iraqi Airways plane.

The aircraft was to return to Iraq later the same day with 179 released Iraqi prisoners, including 79 convicted of crimes in Iranian courts, the official radio said.

Apart from the 79, Teheran has decided to free 100 Iraqis each day, starting Wednesday, in what it called a unilateral gesture of goodwill "to encourage Iraq to settle the dossier of the POWs."

The release of all the convicted prisoners follows an agreement reached during a historic visit to Baghdad last week by Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati.

An exchange of the estimated 100,000 POWs from the eight-year Gulf war, which ended in a ceasefire in 1988, started last August and led to the repatriation of 78,000 prisoners before it was interrupted in mid-September.

The suspension came as Baghdad maintained that it was holding only the convicted prisoners, whereas Teheran insisted that 2,000 other Iranians were still missing and believed held in Iraq.

Iran, which is holding a far larger number of POWs, also charged that Iraq was secretly holding the former Iranian oil minister, Mohammad Javad Tondgouyan, but Baghdad says he died of ill health while in captivity.

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#90325d0600 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (NOV. 21) - Indonesia has urged Japan to convert some 1.2 billion dollars in outstanding debt repayments into new soft credits to ease its foreign debt burden, President Suharto said Wednesday.

The request was made during a meeting with Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu in Tokyo last week, Mr. Suharto told Indonesian journalists on his flight home from visits to Japan, China and Vietnam.

He said the international currency realignment in recent years had increased the amount of yen-denominated loans Indonesia had to pay Japan by 1.2 billion dollars.

This, he said, was straining scarce cash resources needed to assure continuity in economic development.

Indonesia's total foreign debt is estimated at around 50 billion dollars with repayments taking over a third of total export revenues, most of which are denominated in dollars.

Mr. Suharto said whatever additional revenues were gained from higher

international oil prices in recent months would be spent on domestic fuel subsidies and on repaying Indonesia's foreign debts.

He said he had told Mr. Kaifu not to "assume that we no longer need foreign aid." He did not give Mr. Kaifu's reponse.

Mr. Suharto said he had also assured the Japanese premier on the continuity of oil and liquified natural gas (LNG) supplies from Indonesia to Japan.

Indonesia supplies about 14 percent of Japan's oil needs and over half of its annual LNG requirements.

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#90325d0610 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 21) - Japan's Orix Corp. said Wednesday its consolidated net profit rose seven percent from a year earlier to 10.6 billion yen (77 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Orix, the country's top leasing company, said group revenue jumped 55.9 percent to 214 billion yen (1.55 billion dollars), with income from loan operations posting a sharp increase.

The car rental business and the leasing of measuring instruments proved to be notably profitable, the company said.

For the year to March, net income was forecast at 20 billion yen (145 million dollars), with revenue of 415 billion yen (three billion dollars).

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#90325d0710 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUMI, UGANDA (NOV. 21) - Hundreds of Ugandan rebels have surrendered after the army launched a drive to flush them out of eastern Uganda, local officials said here Wednesday.

The rebels belonged to the Ugandan People's Army (UPA), which has been fighting government forces in eastern Uganda since President Yoweri Museveni seized power in 1986 after a five-year guerrilla war.

UPA fighters last week killed a senior politician in the eastern district of Kumi, William Apongya, whose badly mutilated body was found a week after rebels abducted him. His eyes had been gouged out.

The rebels ambushed a military truck on the main Kumi-Mbale road last Thursday killing two government soldiers.

An Agence France-Presse correspondent saw some 200 UPA fighters who said they

had just surrendered in this eastern town on Tuesday. They were assembled at the railway station.

Mr. Museveni declared a presidential pardon for political crimes committed by the rebels two years ago. But he said those who had murdered civilians or committed crimes such as rape or theft would be prosecuted.

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#90325d0770 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUSCAT (NOV. 21) - Iraq's Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz arrived here unexpectedly Wednesday to begin the first visit to a Gulf monarchy by an Iraqi official since Baghdad's seizure of Kuwait.

Mr. Aziz travelled to Oman after a brief stop-over in Yemen. U.S. Secretary of State James Baker was also expected to visit both Gulf states after the European security summit in Paris.

Omani officials said the Iraqi foreign minister would deliver a message to the Omani leader, Sultan Qaboos, from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Mr. Aziz was met at the airport here by Omani Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Youssef bin Alawi Abdallah.

Oman, current head of the Gulf Cooperation Council that includes Kuwait, has urged Iraq to withdraw its troops from the emirate.

The government announced Monday its opposition to an emergency Arab summit, proposed by Morocco, as long as Baghdad refused to commit itself to evacuating its forces.

Before Oman, Mr. Aziz was briefly in Yemen, where authorities have criticized the Iraqi invasion but have shown sympathy for Baghdad.

Yemen in December will chair the 15-member U.N. Security Council, where the United States is promoting a resolution authorizing the use of force to dislodge Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

The Iraqi foreign minister's tour of the Gulf came hours before Mr. Baker was expected in Yemen and Oman, as well as a visit to Saudi Arabia by U.S. President George Bush.

Mr. Baker is due to meet in Oman with officials of Malaysia, which is also currently a member of the Security Council.

Since the August 2 invasion, Yemen has abstained three times from backing Council resolutions imposing sanctions on Baghdad and voted once against an anti-Iraqi measure.

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#90325d0800 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DAR ES SALAAM (NOV. 21) - More than 200 people have died from meningitis on mainland Tanzania since the disease broke out in 10 regions in July, Health Minister Philemon Sarungi said here Wednesday.

Professor Sarungi said that 2,123 people had contracted the disease between July and mid-November, out of whom 202 died.

The regions affected by the epidemic, which spread into the country from neighbouring Kenya, were Mara, Kagera, Tanga, Kilimanjaro, Morogoro, Dodoma, Mwanza, Tabora, Dar es Salaam and Arusha.

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#90325d0820 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 21) - A Mozart manuscript found recently in the United States was auctioned off at Sotheby's here Wednesday for 800,000 pounds (1.6 million dollars), only the second time in history that a musical score had fetched such a price.

Japanese bidders were anxious to snap up the 14-page manuscript, which opened at 100,000 pounds, but it eventually went to London dealer Otto Haas. The price equalled the amount paid for a Schumann piano concerto almost exactly a year ago.

Written between 1784 and 1785, Mozart's Fantasie in C-minor and Sonata in C-minor are usually played together and figure in great pianists' repertoires. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart himself played them for the first time in 1789.

The manuscript, unsigned and undated, was discovered four months ago in a safe at the Philadelphia School of Theology. Marguerite Treat Doane, daughter of the U.S. philanthropist Wiliam Howard Doane, had donated it in 1950.

Although it was known to exist, the institution was unaware of its value until they had it appraised for insurance purposes.

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#90325d0940 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERNE (NOV. 21) - The Swiss government acted Wednesday to reduce the number of second homes and holiday residences sold to foreigners living outside the country.

The government lowered the ceiling for the period 1991-92 to 1,420 homes nationwide, 180 less than for the two previous years.

A large majority of Switzerland's cantons approved the decision which will affect all 26 of them in varying degrees depending on their scenic and touristic attractions.

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#90325d0990 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 21) - World Bank donors have agreed to provide Kenya with more than one billion dollars in 1991 while indicating in veiled terms that they expect improved respect for human rights, sources close to this week's two-day meeting of the consultative group on Kenya said here on Wednesday.

The 12 countries involved were generally agreed ''that economic development and political stability and consensus are intertwined, although many participants noted that this is a complex relationship,'' a communique said.

''In the light of recent international political developments, delegates underlined the importance of good governance, participation, accountability and transparency for sustained economic development,'' it added.

The sources commented that the donors had pledged financial support but "no longer wish to close their eyes to corruption'', while respect for human rights ''is becoming an implicit condition'' for aid.

(The United States has suspended 15 million dollars of military aid to show its disapproval of human rights abuses in Kenya, and Denmark has cut its aid by 25 per cent following a crackdown on advocates of multiparty politics.)

The bank communique said more than 400 million dollars of the new aid pledge would be for balance of payments support. It urged ''vigorous'' implementation of a comprehensive parastatal reform programme in line with the Nairobi government's own stated objective of improving the efficiency of state-owned enterprises and reducing their role in the economy where appropriate. Delegates urged that a rapid increase in public sector employment be contained.

A session on human resources and social issues discussed the importance of reaching all levels of society with basic social services, and emphasized the need for special efforts to reduce child malnutrition.

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#90325d1090 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (NOV. 21) - Romanian and foreign enterprises have set up 570 joint ventures, investing 66 million dollars, since December last year, as compared to a mere four joint ventures previously, officials announced here Wednesday.

The United States topped the list of foreign investors with 10 million dollars

trailed by France, Britain and Italy, according to Misu Negritoiu, director of the Romanian Agency for Foreign Investment.

Mr. Negritoiu announced that parliament would adopt legislation easing foreign investments by the end of the year. This would allow the transfer overseas of hard currency profits "without any restrictions", he said.

"Joint ventures or foreign companies will be able to make all sorts of trade deals in Romania", he added.

Under the new law machines, spare parts and other equipment could be imported tax-free if used as investment. Other incentives would include exemption from profit taxation for a three to five-year period as soon as the enterprise made a profit, as well as tax exemptions for the import of raw materials.

The law would also give guarantees "against the threat of nationalization or seizure of company assets", according to Mr. Negritoiu, who sees his agency as a "link between foreign investors and Romania's economic agents to identify, facilitate and promote investments".

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#90325d1240 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 21) - President George Bush pays a whirlwind visit to American troops in the Gulf on Thursday as the U.S. military prepares to serve a hot turkey dinner to every sailor, soldier, airman and Marine for Thanksgiving Day.

More than 90,000 pounds (41,000 kilos) of turkey, the traditional Thanksgiving Day dish, have been flown or shipped in to feed the more than 230,000 American servicemen in the Gulf, according to U.S. military food service officials.

Even the U.S. soldiers closest to Iraq-occupied Kuwait, who eat vacuum-packed MREs, or Meals Ready to Eat, twice a day, have been promised an "A-ration" meal of roast turkey for Thanksgiving, first held by the Pilgrims in the 1600s to give thanks to God for their survival in the "New World."

For those troops who may not care for turkey, the army has ordered 70,000 pounds (32,000 kilos) of roast beef, 35,000 pounds (16,000 kilos) of shrimp and 45,000 pounds (20,000 kilos) of ham, more than ever before seen in this Moslem kingdom where pork is banned.

Other Thanksgiving Day staples on the menu: cornbread dressing, cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes and pumpkin, cherry and apple pie.

U.S. officials said the Saudi Government donated much of the food, including 230,000 Mars and Snickers candy bars.

Bush is scheduled to arrive here on Thursday morning after talks in Jeddah late Wednesday with Saudi King Fahd and the Emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber.

He will be the first U.S. president to visit troops in a potential combat zone since Richard Nixon went to Vietnam in 1969 and is scheduled to spend time with all four branches of the U.S. armed forces during his seven-hour stay.

Bush and his wife, Barbara, are to eat Thanksgiving dinners with Marines and U.S. Army soldiers at undisclosed desert locations south of Kuwait, visit sailors on the USS Nassau in the Gulf and address U.S. airmen at a Saudi air base here.

The reaction among U.S. troops to Bush's visit ranges from excitement to indifference, although they are virtually unanimous in saying it would be good for morale.

"If I saw him it would be pretty monumental," said Marine Lance Corporal Donald Tuyls, a Californian wearing a floppy hat decorated with a peace sign and the name of his wife, Wendy.

"It'd be a great experience," added 18-year-old Private Johnny Harris from Chicago.

While the chances of either of the two Marines meeting Bush are slim, a U.S. airman at the base here who will at least get a glimpse of the president was not too worked up about it. "It'll give me something to do," he said.

U.S. Army Specialist Lawrence Holloway summed up much of the sentiment toward Bush's visit and Thanksgiving.

"It's good because it shows that the commander-in-chief is standing behind his troops," he said, although "holidays around here are just another day on the calender."

Asked what he would say to the president if he met him, the 23-year-old from Miami said: "Ready to fight, sir. Just say when."

U.S. troops will also be able to tune in to a live broadcast on the U.S. armed forces radio station on Thursday of a Detroit Lions American football game.

In keeping with tradition, however, the Lions are having another sorrowful season, going into the game against the Denver Broncos with a record of three wins and seven losses.

The U.S. television network airing the game has flown out former Buffalo Bills star and actor O.J. Simpson to Dhahran to provide the commentary for the game.

Other activities include a Thanksgiving Day parade complete with eight floats

and a band by U.S. Air Force units in Oman.

The U.S. telephone company AT&T is providing free three-minute calls to the United States for U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia on Thursday.

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#90325d1450 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) - Washington will allow Turkey to sell more textiles and clothing in the United States as a reward for strongly opposing Iraq's August invasion of Kuwait, The Washington Post reported Wednesday.

The agreement, reached two weeks ago but not yet made public, boosts the quotas on Turkey's clothing and fabric by up to 40 percent or as high as 50 percent in a few cases, the newspaper cited an official as saying.

"We don't do that very often in textiles," said the official, who declined to be identified.

Turkish President Turgut Ozal appealed to U.S. Secretary of State James Baker in Geneva two weeks ago to open U.S. markets to more Turkish textiles, the Post said.

Mr. Ozal told Mr. Baker he thought his country should be rewarded for supporting the U.N.-mandated economic sanctions against Iraq and said boosting the quotas would offset strains the sanctions put on the Turkish economy.

Iraq could have circumvented the sanctions easily if its neighbor Turkey had not supported the international embargo.

Currently, Turkey accounts for only 1.3 percent of U.S. textile imports.

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#90325d1580 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 21) - Fifteen people died Tuesday in a helicopter crash near Ashkhabad, the capital of the central Asian Soviet Republic of Turkmenia, the news agency Interfax reported on Wednesday.

The victims included two crew members and thirteen passengers, the agency said.

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#90325d1750 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 21) - Daewoo Electronic, a subsidiary of the South Korean Daewoo group, has bought 34 percent of the French JCB Industries distribution company and has signed an agreement of association, the companies announced on Wednesday.

The agreement would enable Daewoo Electronic to gain a foothold officially in Europe. The agreement concerns distribution of Daewoo consumer electronic goods in a first stage limited to France, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxemburg.

The new company, which will be called Daewoo Electronic Sa, will be based in Paris.

Daewoo Electronic set up a plant to manufacture micro-wave ovens at Longwy in France in 1988, and capacity at this factory is to be developed substantially in coming months, the statement said.

JB Industries has distributed Daewoo products in France since 1984 and in 1989 had sales of 400 million francs (about 80 million dollars).

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#90325d2070 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LE HAVRE, France (NOV. 21) - An Irish veterinarian Wednesday began to inspect 1,600 Irish sheep stranded for nearly a week in a hangar on dockside of this northern port.

The inspection was to check the identity of each sheep against an export register "which ought to have been done in Ireland to begin with", chief port veterinary official Philippe David said.

Mr. David said it was "the first time that we have been forced to hold up a cargo of animals, but it is also the first time that we have noticed such a breach of Community regulations laid down in July 1988."

The Irish vet began work while awaiting completion of health controls which would permit the sheep to enter France legally.

Mr. David said the French Agriculture Ministry considered "the Irish have forced its hand" after the ship that unloaded the sheep Thursday left without waiting for verification of the cargo papers which turned out to be imprecise.

The exporter, Irish Livestock, would have to pay for the use of the hangar,

wasted journeys by lorry drivers who tried to take delivery of the sheep, and cancellation of contracts with fattening centres in Brittany, southwestern France, and east of Paris.

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#90325d2080 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 21) - The European Economic Community this week adopted a three-year programme to improve transport routes in the runup to a single ECC market in 1992, the European Commission said here Wednesday.

The programme will support such projects as highspeed rail links between Paris and Cologne and between Seville and Trieste, and road projects across the Alps and Pyrennees, and in Scandinavia, Greece and Britain.

The commission approved spending 178 million European Currency Units (ECU's - 231 million dollars) this year and next on these projects and others to help combined road-rail transport and eliminate bottlenecks.

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#90325d2320 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VIENNA (NOV. 21) - Hungarian Foreign Minister, Geza Jeszenszky will pay official visits to New Zealand, Australia, and Thailand in November, one of the minister's chief aides said here Wednesday.

The tour scheduled to start on November 26 will the first since Hungary adopted a democratic political system, the aide Zoltan Suedi told a press conference.

He said "Asia is the second top priority in Hungarian foreign policy just after Europe".

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#90325d2400 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 21) - The Paris Court of Appeal on Wednesday turned down an application for the release of Paul Touvier, who is charged with crimes against humanity for his role as intelligence chief for the pro-nazi French para-military police during World War II.

Mr. Touvier, 75, will stay in prison until his trial, the court ruled.

Mr. Touvier, who was a senior officer in the militia, a German army auxiliary force, in Lyons, was arrested in 1989 in a priory near Nice (south-east France) after living in hiding for 45 years, mainly in monasteries.

Charges against him include helping to murder the president of the French League of Human Rights, Victor Rasch and his wife in January 1944 and responsibility for the murder of seven Jewish hostages in June 1944.

He is also accused of ordering the deportation of two caretakers of the Lyons synagogue in June 1944, and of 57 Spanish political refugees in April 1944.

The Appeal Court ruling follows shortly after the arrest of 81-year-old Rene Bousquet, former Secretary General of Police under the collaborationist Vichy regime from 1942-1943.

Mr. Bousquet, who is charged with crimes against humanity, is said to have cancelled official regulations which would have spared certain categories of Jewish children from being rounded up for deportation, on account of their age.

His instructions are said to have led to the deportation of 194 Jewish children from six departments in the south of France in 1942.

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#90325d2480 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (NOV 21) - Kuwait's government-in-exile announced Wednesday the creation of a "consultative committee" of 35 members, including opposition figures, to help it free Kuwait from Iraqi occupation, a Kuwaiti official said.

The government, headed by the exiled prime minister, Sheikh Saad al-Abdallah al-Sabah, said the committee was formed by implementing the resolutions of Kuwait's popular congress which met in mid-October in the western Saudi city of Jeddah, a statement disseminated by the Kuwaiti news agency KUNA said.

The congress drew about 1,000 Kuwaiti figures, including several opposition leaders, and decided to form a popular committee to help the premier in his political and diplomatic efforts.

Kuwaiti leaders have been trying to muster support from all their compatriots to counter Iraq's August 2 invasion of their country.

The "consultative committee" also groups some members of the constitutional movement which boasted about 30 MPs from the parliament that was dissolved by the emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, in 1986, KUNA said.

On Sunday, Oman's leader, Sultan Qaboos bin Said, said he had ordered the creation of a consultative council to ensure wider participation by Omani citizens in domestic affairs.

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#90325d2500 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (NOV. 21) - The former communist Party for Democratic Change (PDC) has been dealt a sharp setback in Bosnia-Herzegovina's first free elections since World War II.

Nationalist parties put in an unexpectedly strong showing, according to partial results reported here Wednesday by the news agency Tanjug.

Despite having been favored in pre-election polls, the PDC failed to carry any parliamentary seats in the first round and appeared to have been shut out of the Yugoslav republic's collegial presidency.

After 85 per cent of the vote had been counted, 57 out of the 110 seats in the lower Chamber of Commons appeared to have been won in the first round by the three main nationalist parties, while only a few PDC candidates had qualified for the second round of ballotting on December 2, Tanjug reported.

The Alliance of Yugoslavian Reformist Forces, formed in Bosnia in August by the Yugoslav prime minister as a centrist alternative to the communists and ethnic-based political parties, made an equally disappointing showing.

The three main nationalist parties were also leading in the 130-member Chamber of Citizens, elected under the proportional representation system, with the Moslem Party for Democratic Action (PDA) leading in four out of the seven main electoral districts, the Serbian Democratic Party (SDP) in two and the Croatian Democratic Community (CDC) in the last.

Bosnia's Moslem minority, while mostly Slavic, is recognized as a distinct ethnic group and accounts for 40 per cent of the republic's 4.5 million inhabitants, while ethnic Serbians make up 32.2 per cent and Croatians follow with 18.4 per cent.

In the elections for the seven-member collegial presidency -- which must include two Moslems, two Serbians, two Croatians and one representative of other ethnic groups -- the most votes were won by PDA candidate Fikret Abdic, who outdistanced his party's president Alija Izetbegovic.

PDA representatives, who hope to carry 95 seats in parliament, had not yet decided whether Mr. Abdic or Mr. Izetbegovic would be their candidate for the revolving presidency.

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#90325d2510 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV. 21) - The lot of Christians in predominantly Moslem Egypt has improved recently, the head of the Coptic Church in Egypt, Pope Shenouda Iii of Alexandria, said Wednesday.

In an interview with the German Press Agency dpa during his visit to Germany, the cleric said the number of monasteries, monks, priests and bishops was increasing.

Although relations with ''neutral'' Moslems were very good, he said there were problems with fundamentalist Moslems whose aims were more political than religious.

During his one-day stay in Berlin, Shenouda Iii celebrated a religious service with the city's small Coptic Orthodox community, which comprises about 40 families.

Copts living in Berlin spoke of ''an atmosphere of fear'' in Egypt. Just recently, they said, churches were set on fire and Copts shot to death in broad daylight - and no one was prosecuted.

There are seven Coptic communities in Germany and a Coptic monastery in the Taunus mountains near Frankfurt.

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#90325d2620 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 21) - A violin made by Antonio Stradivari fetched a record 920,000 pounds sterling (about 1.9 million dollars) at a Christie's auction here Wednesday.

The previous high price for a Stradivarius was about 572,000 pounds sterling.

The instrument, which until the end of the 19th century was owned by the Berlin banking family of Mendelssohn - descendants of the German composer Felix Mendelssohn - was auctioned on behalf of an unnamed musician.

The violin was made in 1720, during the so-called ''golden period'' of the famous violin maker from Cremona, Italy. Proceeds from the auction are to go to a Jewish charitable organization in New York.

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#90325d2650 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 21) - Margaret Thatcher, ignoring calls for her resignation on the eve of a no-confidence debate in her government, vowed here Wednesday to press ahead with her fight to remain leader of the Conservative Party and prime minister of Britain.

Emerging from her Downing Street residence after several hours of intensive and urgent consultations with senior ministers and top Tory party officials, Mrs. Thatcher told reporters: "I fight on, I fight to win."

Her remarks, made a day after she suffered her worst political defeat in 11 and a half years as prime minister by failing to score an outright victory over a rival challenger for the leadership of the governing party, effectively quashed rumors that Mrs. Thatcher might be forced to take herself out of the

leadership race.

Addressing MP's in the House of Commons shortly afterwards, Mrs. Thatcher, 65, asserted that despite the bruising leadership battle with Mr. Heseltine her government had "great strength and great resolve."

"I believe this government has both and will continue to have them," Mrs. Thatcher said.

Informed by one Tory MP that his constituency wanted her to carry on as prime minister and party leader despite deep splits within her own party, Mrs. Thatcher replied firmly: "I too want just exactly what you want."

In response to a jibe from Paddy Ashdown, the leader of the opposition Liberal Democrats Party who said Mrs. Thatcher was now in the "twilight days" of her tenure, Mrs. Thatcher coolly responded: "Please remember there are 24 hours in a day."

But even as Mrs. Thatcher was taking questions from MP's, most of which focussed on the just-ended European security summit in Paris, speculation continued in political circles that Mr. Heseltine, 57, was gaining support among fellow Tories for his leadership bid.

In a secret ballot among Tory MP's Tuesday, Mrs. Thatcher fell just four votes short of the majority she needed to be reelected as party leader but one report Wednesday said around 10 MP's who voted for Mrs. Thatcher in the first round were prepared to switch their allegiance in the second vote next Tuesday.

The television network ITV reported meanwhile that Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd and Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major were prepared to second Mrs. Thatcher's official nomination to stand in the contest against Mr. Heseltine.

Both men, who also seconded her candidacy in the first round, had stated previously that they would not challenge her for the party leadership and the premiership, but there had been speculation that Mr. Major might not put his name to her nomination in this round so that he might also join the race.

In a further indication of the Thatcher camp's seriousness about fighting to retain her leadership, it was reported that Mrs. Thatcher's current campaign manager, former defence secretary George Younger, was to be replaced in favor of a cabinet minister.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Thatcher was working late Wednesday in preparation for Thursday's debate of no-confidence, tabled by Neil Kinnock, leader of the opposition Labour Party, just minutes before the result of Tuesday's voting were announced.

Mr. Kinnock and other opposition leaders have called on Mrs. Thatcher to

resign and demanded an immediate general election.

The growing splits within the Tory party were brought about over deep divisions on Mrs. Thatcher's reluctance to accede to European Economic Community plans for tighter integration among member states as well as widespread dissatisfaction with her insistence on introducing an unpopular new taxation system.

Mr. Heseltine has promised that if he were elected to head the Tory party and took over as prime minister he would consider replacing the local poll tax with a system "that takes greater account of people's ability to pay."

A long-time proponent of closer ties with Europe, Mr. Heseltine has also attracted Tory support with pledges to foster closer ties with Britain's EEC partners.

Tory sources announced later that Energy Secretary John Wakeham, a former leader Tory leader of the House of Commons, had been named to replace Mr. Younger as the head of Mrs. Thatcher's leadership campaign.

Mr. Wakeham was also already in charge of drafting the Conservative Party's next election manifesto and would be well-placed to canvas support for Mrs. Thatcher among wavering Tory MP's, analysts noted.

Mr. Younger left Mrs. Thatcher's election team for business reasons, colleagues said.

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#90325d2720 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 21) - U.S. President George Bush arrived here Wednesday for talks with Saudi officials on the Gulf crisis and an inspection of American troops deployed in the country.

Bush was welcomed by Saudi King Fahd on his arrival in the Saudi Red Sea port city Jeddah and immediately driven to the al-Hamra palace where he will stay overnight.

The president, who flew in from Paris where he attended the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Csce), was due have talks later Wednesday with King Fahd.

Bush is also due to discuss the Gulf crisis with Kuwait's exiled emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, at his temporary residence in the Saudi summer resort of Taif, official sources said.

On Thursday Bush will fly to the Saudi Eastern Province to celebrate Thanksgiving Day among the more than 200,000 U.S. troops stationed there as

part of a multinational force to deter an possible Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia.

Prior to his departure from Paris, Bush reiterated that the anti-Iraqi alliance was undivided, saying, ''We are on the same wavelength with the Soviet Union and almost all the others on the Security Council.''

Most of the Council members agreed that ''all steps to suppport the U.N. resolutions have to be taken'', he said, rejecting Iraq's announcement that it will release hostages gradually as a ''cynical, cruel ploy'' by an ''embattled dictator''.

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#90325d2770 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 21) - Britain on Wednesday asked the Hong Kong government to begin making recommendations on December 1 for citizens of the colony entited to British nationality under a new law.

Home Secretary David Waddington, announcing plans to implement the first stage of the Hong Kong Nationality Act, said recommendations for most of the 50,000 key Hong Kong citizens to be granted British citizenship between December 1 and January 1, 1994.

He said recommendations from the Hong Kong governor should include not more than 32,700 people in the general occupational class, not more than 6,200 in the disciplined services class and not more than 3,850 in the sensitive service class.

A home office spokesman defined people in the sensitive service class as those in a civil or military capacity who "had been exposed to special consideration or factors" during the course of their jobs and might find it difficult to remain in Hong Kong after 1997 when it is handed over to China.

A total of around 225,000 Hong Kong residents -- the 50,000 key residents and their family members -- will be given British nationality status under the British scheme, which was made law in August.

The recommendations for places in the scheme not made during the three-year period specified by Mr. Waddington will be made closer to 1997, the home office said.

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LONDON (NOV 21) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,311.00 (1,328.00) 1,310.50 (1,325.50)
Lead 350.00 (351.00) 355.50 (357.50)
Zinc 1,277.50 (1,286.00) 1,268.50 (1,272.50)
Tin 6,180.00 (6,220.00) 6,175.00 (6,207.50)
Aluminium 1,591.00 (1,574.50) 1,620.50 (1,607.50)
Nickel 8,600.00 (8,600.00) 8,367.50 (8,362.50)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90325d2790 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (NOV. 21) - The three Baltic republics of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia Wednesday warned the Soviet Union they would resist any attempts by Moscow to reassert control, according to a communique from the Lithuanian parliament.

The warning followed a meeting Wednesday in Jurmala, Latvia, of the presidents and premiers of the three republics which have declared independence from the Soviet Union.

The meeting was held to consider the Baltic republics' response to Saturday's move by the federal Supreme Soviet on granting President Mikhail Gorbachev extra powers, which the communique said, included "direct threats to use force to suspend our democratically-elected governmental institutions and our laws".

"In the face of these threats, we serve notice that the Baltic states will exercise their inalienable right to resist violence.

"The people, the parliaments and the government bodies of the Baltic states will oppose new aggression and the repetition of tragic events, comparable to those of 1940" when the republics were annexed by the Soviet Union, the communique sent to AFP said.

"We call upon the USSR Supreme Soviet to stop the escalation of the policy of intimidation and forceful pressure on the Baltic states, which are using peaceful means to restore their rights," the communique added.

On Saturday, the federal parliament gave its initial approval to proposals by Mr. Gorbachev for strengthening his executive power in the run-up to the conclusion of a new union treaty between the Soviet republics.

The proposals include plans for setting up a special body which will be responsible for ensuring that presidential decisions are applied throughout the union.

Failure to do this could lead to direct presidential rule over a region or republic, thereby suspending the powers of local authorities and assemblies.

Lithuanian deputy Premier Romualdas Ozolas Monday warned on local television of "resistance" "by all means" in case direct presidential rule was applied over the republic.

"Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia do not intend to participate in a union treaty but, as before, are ready and willing to conduct negotiations and conclude inter-state agreements with the USSR and the republic on political relations, as well as on economic and other forms of cooperation," the communique also said.

It was signed by Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis, Latvian President Anatolijs Gorbunovs et Estonian President Arnold Ruutel who were meeting within the framework of the recently set-up Baltic Council.

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#90325d2810 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, Nov 21 (NOV. 21) - A situation described by dealers as comprising "negligible fundamental support for copper prices" prompted further falls in the price of copper on the London Metal Exchange (LME) Wednesday.

In after hours kerb trading the metal firmed marginally to 1,313 pounds per ton from the close of the afternoon ring at 1,311 pounds. It was down however from a close Tuesday at 1,326 dollars.

The likelihood of growing supplies in the first quarter of 1991 against a background of economic slowdown in the US and Western Europe were the key factors identified by dealers.

Aluminium fell back on the kerb to 1,617 dollars per ton, from the close of the afternoon ring at 1,621 dollars, but the metal still registered gains against Tuesday's close at 1,608 dollars. The rally was due to sentiment that losses earlier in the week had been overdone, traders said.

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#90325d2870 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (NOV. 21) - About 4.6 kilograms (10 pounds) of gold was found discarded in garbage collected from a Thai International Airways plane that arrived here Wednesday, an airport official said.

The gold worth about 76,525 U.S. dollars was found in two empty cans of Coca Cola, the official said.

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#90325d2890 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TRIPOLI (NOV 21) - Libya, deserted by its old allies, must now learn to be self-reliant, Tripoli leader Moamar Gaddafi said in a speech broadcast Tuesday by the national state radio.

''The countries of Eastern Europe were friends of ours, and now they have handed over all our files to America,'' Gaddafi told a meeting of public service ministry officials in reference to the political changes in the former communist East bloc.

''From Moscow to Hungary, they are admitting things about Iraq, about Libya ... The Russians are now passing on to the Americans the secrets of the weapons they sold to Iraq.''

''In the past they were indeed our friends. They sent nurses, doctors, equipment, companies ... they stood up with us against imperialism and against zionism. Now they say the Israelis, the Arabs, the Cubans and others are all the same.''

''The Soviet Union now makes no distinction between Cuba and the Israelis,'' Gaddafi was quoted as saying.

''Just don't expect any more Romanian, Polish, Czech or Turkish companies. We are in dispute with them, and we have problems with them,'' Gaddafi said.

''You must rely on yourselves,'' he said. ''The means of carrying out projects must be national. If this means we do not build, then we do not build. We have already laid down the basic structure.''

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#90325d3000 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FREETOWN (NOV 21) - Liberia's interim president Amos Sawyer and five cabinet members left here Wednesday by military helicopter for Monrovia, the capital of his war-wracked homeland, African diplomatic sources said.

Mr. Sawyer's government will be inaugurated on Thursday at the Executive Mansion in Monrovia, where a West African peacekeeping force known as ECOMOG intervened in August after some eight months of bloody civil war.

The sources said Mr. Sawyer would return here Friday and later leave Sierra Leone for a special summit on Liberia among the 16-nation Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), to be held in Mali's capital Bamako on November 27.

Mr. Sawyer, 45, was chosen in August by Liberian politicians and exiles at a conference in the Gambia to lead the interim government set up under ECOWAS

auspices.

The cabinet has never been officially announced, because the members did not want to establish themselves as "a government in exile".

Mr. Sawyer, a lawyer and constitutional expert who this week completed a tour of Ghana, Nigeria, Guinea, the Gambia and Sierra Leone -- the five nations that contributed troops to ECOMOG -- has said his government has been installed "in stages."

Interim vice president Ronald Diggs, a Lutheran bishop, and nine other members of the government left here for Monrovia 10 days ago.

Bishop Diggs's departure was cloaked in secrecy because of what one of his aides called "the situation in Monrovia".

National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) rebels shelled Monrovia's port area Sunday and Monday in retaliation for attacks last week by Nigerian fighter planes against the rebel-held port of Buchanan to the east.

The installation of the government is part of an ECOWAS peace plan supported by a rebel faction led by Prince Johnson and soldiers of the slain president Samuel Doe, but opposed by NPLF chief Charles Taylor.

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#90325d3150 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 21) - The surprise summit meeting Friday between U.S. President George Bush and Syrian leader Hafez al-Assad is a measure of the warming in relations between Washington and Damascus, but differences between the erstwhile adversaries remain profound.

The first meeting between the nations' top leaders in 13 years is the culmination of a dramatic rapprochement driven by the requirements of building the broadest possible alliance against Iraq and its seizure of Kuwait.

The discussions Friday in Geneva come amid a concerted effort by Mr. Bush and his secretary of state, James Baker, to bring together a global concensus on the need to threaten Iraq with military force if it refuses to withdraw from Kuwait.

But while Syria has squarely sided with the anti-Iraq alliance in demanding Iraq's unconditional pullout from Kuwait and has agreed to send some 15,000 troops to Saudi Arabia to confront the Iraqis, its objectives in the Gulf crisis are markedly different from Washington's and Friday's talks are likely to involve some serious negotiating, analysts said.

Syria has in its public statements opposed a major offensive against Iraq

itself, fearing that the dismantling of Baghdad's formidable military machine would alter the regional balance of power in favor of Israel.

Some U.S. officials on the other hand, including Vice President Dan Quayle, have suggested that a resolution of the Gulf crisis must involve stripping Iraqi President Saddam Hussein of political power and removing Iraq's ability to threaten neighbors with long-range chemical and possibly nuclear arms.

Syria, one of the region's staunchest opponents of Israel, also remains highly criticial of Washington's nearly unconditional backing of the Jewish state, and especially of the latest arms sales to Israel following the August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90325d3270 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 21) - Somali rebels on Wednesday said they would boycott proposed peace talks in Cairo between the Somali government and opposition movements.

The radio of the Somali National Movement (SNM), which controls much of northern Somalia, said the meeting, planned for December 12, would be "useless" without the participation of the rebels.

It said the SNM and the other two main rebel groups, the United Somali Congress (USC) and the Somali Patriotic Movement (SPM), had issued a joint statement saying they would not be going to Cairo. It did not say when or where the statement was issued.

The SNM stepped up attacks on government forces in northern Somalia last month. Diplomatic sources said the Somali army had also been pushed back by the USC in the centre of the country, and by the SPM in the south.

The Cairo meeting was announced in the Egyptian capital on Tuesday by a member of the Italian parliament, Mario Rafaelli, after a meeting with Boutros Boutros Ghali, Egypt's minister of state for foreign affairs.

The Somali government has accepted Egyptian, Italian and Kuwaiti mediation with rebel groups, the Somali ambassador to Egypt, Abdallah Hassan Mahmoud, told the Egyptian daily al-Ahram.

The Somali capital of Mogadishu, where President Mohamed Siad Barre's government maintains its grip, has been rocked by a spate of unclaimed bombings in recent months. Several Western embassies have made preparations to pull out their staff at any time.

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#90325d3350 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (NOV 21) - U.S. President George Bush said here Wednesday he expected a new ''strong'' United Nations Security Council resolution against Iraq.

However, Bush, speaking after a meeting with Kuwait's exiled emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, said it remained to be seen what the exact content of the motion would be.

Bush, who arrived in this Red Sea port city earlier Wednesday from Paris where he attended the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Csce), again called for the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

He said Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein must be blind if he failed to see the strong anti-Iraqi alliance and the continuing mobilisation of troops. ''If he doesn't understand he will soon ...,'' Bush said.

Bush, who will meet with Damascus leader Hafez Assad in Geneva on Friday, praised Syria as strong ally in the anti-Baghdad front.

On Thursday Bush will fly to the Saudi Eastern Province to celebrate Thanksgiving Day among the more than 200,000 U.S. troops stationed there as part of a multinational force to deter an possible Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia.

Prior to his departure from Paris, Bush said the anti-Iraqi front was undivided. ''We are on the same wavelength with the Soviet Union and almost all the others on the Security Council,'' he added.

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#90325d3420 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 21) - Punjab's governor said Wednesday he had worked out a peace plan designed to end a seven years of Sikh militancy there as 28 people died in renewed violence in the northern Indian state.

Rival Hindu-Sikh communal tensions gripped Punjab's Amritsar city Wednesday over a massacre of 13 people gunned down by Sikh militants, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

PTI said the 28 dead in latest violence included 12 suspected militants shot in gunfire exchanges with security forces and one security trooper and 13 civilians shot by militants.

In addition, two unidentified men were shot dead by border forces when they illegally entered Punjab from Pakistan, officials were quoted by PTI as saying.

Governor Virendra Verma told reporters here that he had outlined his plan on Punjab to Indian President Ramaswamy Venkataraman and Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar, involving a major territorial concession.

Mr. Verma did not reveal details, but said he favoured the transfer of Chandigarh city to Punjab, where more than 3,000 people have died in the Sikh separatist campaign so far this year.

Moderate Sikh politicians have been demanding transfer of Chandigarh, presently shared by Punjab and neighbouring Haryana states as their capital, exclusively to Punjab, the only Sikh-majority Indian state.

Chandigarh's transfer to Punjab was the cornerstone of a peace pact signed by Sikh moderates and former premier Rajiv Gandhi's government in 1985. However, the accord collapsed because of Haryana's opposition.

Mr. Verma, a Hindu who took over June 14, said Haryana could be compensated for giving up Chandigarh and that he would discuss the details of his plan with Mr. Shekhar on Saturday.

He said the plan involved three broad issues -- a political solution, economic development of Punjab and steps to tackle Sikh separatism as a law enforcement problem.

Mr. Verma said the separatist campaign could not be ended with a "bullet-for-bullet" policy.

At the same time, he said he had asked for 5,000 more federal paramilitary troops to reinforce the estimated 30,000 already deployed in the state bordering Pakistan.

Police were quoted by PTI as saying they had shot dead four Sikh gunmen who struck at two places in Amritsar city Tuesday, leaving 13 people dead, including one who died of injuries later.

The four chased by police based on clues given by witnesses were killed in a gunfight outside a Babekear 'gurdwara' (Sikh shrine) elsewere in the city.

Violence erupted during the cremation of the victims of overnight militant strikes Wednesday with rival Hindu and Sikh groups pelting stones and attacking each other with swords and long iron rods.

Police intervention brought the situation soon under control, PTI said. It did not say if anyone was seriously injured or killed.

A two-hour curfew was imposed in Amritsar during the cremation.

India accuses Pakistan of aiding the Sikh militancy, which is rejected by

Islamabad.

Sikh separatists have stepped up the bloody campaign for a theocratic homeland called Khalistan (land of the pure) since India's new Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar took over November 10 in the wake of a political crisis that toppled his predecessor Vishwanath Pratap Singh.

Mr. Shekhar reviewed the situation with senior Punjab officials, including Mr. Verma, here Tuesday.

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#90325d3490 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (NOV 21) - Seven new Iraqi army divisions that are being mobilized in Kuwait to counter a foreign military buildup in the Gulf are elite troops, the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported Wednesday in a dispatch received here.

It quoted a military spokesman as saying the troops were "among the best regular forces currently in the armed services" and denied U.S. media reports that they were inexperienced.

The spokesman added: "This force is among the formations with a glorious past in battle and has a long training and combat experience, including in the past ten years."

He was referring to a period including the eight-year Iran-Iraq war, which ended with a United Nations-brokered cease-fire in August 1988.

On Monday, INA reported that Iraq had decided to send more than 250,000 reinforcements "to confront any future aggresion" against Kuwait and southern Iraq, with 100,000 scheduled to leave immediately.

But the chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Colin Powell, on Tuesday dismissed the Iraqi decision to send more troops to Kuwait as a "headline-of-the-day program" that may weaken the Iraqi army.

The U.S. has been leading a multinational military troop buildup in the Gulf since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Iraqi spokesman said the reinforcements would number over 100,000 troops, to which would be added some 60,000 others who had been withdrawn temporarily from the army to help with the winter planting season.

They would be joined by three battalions (of unspecified numbers) which had been demobilized a while back.

The spokesman said Iraq had other regular army divisions which had not yet

been deployed on the battlefield and that it "can muster at the right time and place."

The Iraqi reinforcements add some 430,000 troops in Kuwait and southern Iraq where they face about 330,000 U.S. and allied forces in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf region.

Washington recently announced plans to send up to 200,000 additional forces to the Gulf region to bolster the forces already deployed there.

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#90325d3590 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (NOV 21) - U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar has accepted an invitation to visit Israel, Israeli President Chaim Herzog said Wednesday.

"I extended an invitation to visit Israel in the near future and he accepted and we will welcome him in due course in Israel," said Mr. Herzog after meeting with the secretary general here.

In addition, Mr. Perez de Cuellar's personal envoy to the Middle East, Jean Claude Aime, also might go to Israel as "a matter of mutual convenience between the government of Israel and the secretary general," Mr. Herzog said.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar said he would discuss Mr. Aime's visit -- which he termed "very useful" -- with Yoval Aridor, Israel's ambassador to the United Nations.

On Tuesday, the secretary general said he was considering sending Mr. Aime to Israel and the occupied territories because he was deeply concerned about the situation there, his spokeswoman said.

But before sending the envoy, Mr. Perez de Cuellar would await the results of an upcoming Security Council meeting on the occupied territories, diplomatic sources said.

They said the council might meet Friday in an effort to wrap up their debate on the region which began October 5.

Washington had recommended the Aime mission as a way for Israel to improve its relations with the United Nations that were strained after Israel refused to accept a U.N. delegation to investigate an October 8 incident in East Jerusalem where 18 Palestinians were killed by Israeli security forces.

The Security Council has twice adopted resolutions supporting the inquiry and has condemned Israel for refusing to accept it.

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#90325d3600 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOI (NOV 21) - The Vietnamese government authorised Indonesian group Summa to open a joint venture commercial bank in Ho Chi Minh City with the new Vietnamese Bank of Trade and Industry, the official press said Wednesday.

The commercial bank, the first foreign bank allowed to operate in Vietnam, will open January 1, the Vietnam News Agency (VNA) said.

VNA said the new Vietnam-Indonesian bank would be a 50 percent joint venture, with a capitalisation of 10 million dollars, under the name Indovina.

The agreement was signed during an official visit to Vietnam by Indonesian President Suharto and Radius Prawiro, the minister for economic, financial and industrial affairs.

Indovina opened its office in the building of the Central Bank two years ago and has been waiting since then to get its operating licence.

Vietnam has just created four new national banks, from which the Bank for Trade and Industry was chosen to work with Summa.

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#90325d3630 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS, (NOV 21) - France expects a United Nations resolution sanctioning use of force against Iraq to be voted "within the next three weeks" but will insist that it be acted upon only after further consultations with countries concerned, President Francois Mitterrand said Wednesday.

The French president told a press conference following the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe summit in Paris, that France was "ready to take part in talks to draw up a resolution in the Security Council, comprising an eventual recourse to force".

"Our foreign ministers and diplomats must begin discussions on the text," he said, remarking however that France's commitment would "depend on what text is adopted", he said.

He said the resolution implied "no automatic response" and "the powers in a position to exercise this military action must be given the chance to discuss matters further before any final decision."

Mr. Mitterrand said he felt Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev had "hinted now and again" that the Soviet Union might support a U.N. resolution on force against Iraq "especially if this were to weigh crucially on the final decision" of President Saddam Hussein.

He said "as time goes on with no real process being achieved, the danger becomes greater."

Mr. Mitterrand said he had explained the French position to U.S. President George Bush at a private dinner on Sunday night.

"Bush asked me did I think a new resolution should be adopted sanctioning possible use of force. I told him yes."

This was because "several countries like France and the Soviet Union and perhaps a few others prefer maybe not to read Article 51 as authorising the start of a conflict", Mr. Mitterrand said.

Article 51 allows a country to go to the aid of another country with which it has a defence agreement. This is not the case for France and Kuwait.

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#90325d3640 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SADDLE RIVER, NJ (NOV. 21) - A Japanese businessman has bought former president Richard Nixon's house for 2.4 million dollars, a real estate agent said Wednesday.

Broker Mary Lenk confirmed the sale of the seven-bedroom home but would not identify the buyer and said she did not know whether it had been bought last week as a residence or an investment.

The home's price tag was reduced from 3.25 million dollars to 2.9 million dollars last summer.

Mr. Nixon and his wife, Pat, are moving to a nearby three-bedroom condominium because they decided a smaller home would be easier and less expensive to maintain, a family spokesman said last spring.

They had bought the house in 1981 for 1.25 million dollars and made 300,000 dollars worth of improvements, the spokesman said.

Mr. Nixon served as president from January 1969 to 1974, when he resigned amid the Watergate scandal.

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#90325d3670 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 21) - If they had to be stranded on a desert island with a politician, most Germans would choose Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher for company, according to an opinion poll published Wednesday.

Mr. Genscher also gets top scores for friendliness and trustworthiness, the

poll, published in Stern magazine, said.

Of the 1,906 persons interviewed, 45 percent said they would buy a used car from the bat-eared liberal chief.

But Finance Minister Theo Waigel did badly. Only 18 percent said they would lend him money.

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#90325d3680 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUSCAT (NOV. 21) - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz Wednesday had talks with Oman's ruler, Sultan Qabus bin Said, during which he handed him a message from President Saddam Hussein on the Gulf crisis, Oman radio said.

The message stressed Iraq's approval of the principle of dialogue as means to find a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis, the radio said without giving details.

Some news media reports said Aziz might leave Muscat for Sanaa where U.S. Secretary of State James Baker is expected Thursday for talks with Yemeni leaders on the Gulf crisis. Yemen has supported Iraq in the crisis sparked by the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Oman, a member of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (Gcc), has condemned the invasion and repeatedly called for an unconditional Iraqi troop withdrawal from the emirate.

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#90325d3840 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAVANA (NOV. 21) - The vice president of the banned Cuban Human Rights Committee (CCDH) has left Cuba because of government harrassment and emigrated with his family to the United States, the group announced Wednesday.

The CCDH said Oscar Pena, 42, left with his wife and three children for Miami, Florida because of harrassment by Cuban authorities. The human rights group has long been one of the government's sharpest critics.

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#90325d3880 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (NOV 21) - The United Nations General Assembly has adopted 20 texts on decolonization issues, among them measures reaffirming the independence rights of New Caledonia, Western Sahara, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, the Cayman Islands, the Turks and Caicos, Montserrat and Saint Helena.

All of the texts were adopted Tuesday night, some without votes.

The General Assembly also stressed the right of self-determination of the U.S.-controlled territories of Guam, American Samoa and the U.S. Virgin Islands, in addition to New Zealand's Tokelau island.

Within a few weeks the U.N. Security Council should receive a report from the Secretary General on the Western Sahara detailing involvement of U.N. diplomatic and military components in setting up and overseeing a self-determination referendum in that former Spanish colony.

Optimistic predictions out of the U.N. set the Western Sahara referendum for some time early next year.

A consensus resolution called on Britain and Spain to continue their negotiations on resolving Gibraltar's sovereignty. The two countries agreed in 1984 to negotiate a possible return of the Rock -- British for three centuries -- to modern Spain.

The General Assembly also repudiated anew the policy of apartheid in South Africa, while a Kuwaiti representative condemned the hypocrisy of the Iraqi delegation's votes in favor of self-determination resolutions after invading his country August 2.

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#90325d3990 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (NOV. 21) - Danish Premier Poul Schlueter Wednesday announced early general elections for mid-December following the breakdown of prolonged talks between his minority government and the opposition on a tax reform.

Schlueter's Conversative People's Party-led coalition and the opposition Social Democrats had tried for several months to iron out their differences on a planned tax reform.

Schlueter's minority coalition government needs the support from the Social Democrats, which emerged as the biggest party in the last elections in May 1988, to obtain a majority in parliament.

The early poll is expected to be held either December 12 or 13.

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#90325d4040 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV. 21) - Two pro-Western leaders of the Afghan resistance movement categorically denied Wednesday that the mujahedeen was having anything to do with Afghan President Najibullah at supposed peace talks in Geneva.

The leaders, quoted by the rebel news agency MIDIA monitored here, called Mr.

Najibullah a "killer of the people of Afghanistan."

Sibgatullah Mojaddedi and Sayed Gailani, leaders of two small parties with links to former king Zaher Shah, denied through the agency that the mujahedeen was having any contact -- direct or indirect -- with Mr. Najibullah.

In a press conference Wednesday in Geneva, Mr. Najibullah refused to reveal the identity of the members of the resistance with whom he was meeting.

Mr. Mojaddedi, leader of the National Liberation Front, is on a visit to Iran and Mr. Gailani, head of the National Islamic Front, is undergoing "medical treatment" in London, resistance sources in Pakistan said.

A number of mujahedeen representatives believe Mr. Najibullah went to Switzerland in an attempt to widen dissent within the resistance, which has a number of factions, before he is ousted from power by a settlement to the conflict.

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#90325d4060 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (NOV. 21) - Argentine government officials Wednesday signed over the state-owned airline to a Spanish-Argentine joint venture in Argentina's second major privatization since the Peronist government of Carlos Menem gained power 16 months ago.

The agreement marking the transfer of Aerolineas Argentinas to a consortium formed by Spain's Iberia, the Argentine Cielos del Sur, and Argentine investors was signed at 2030 GMT, government officials said.

Cielos del Sur is owner of the national coastal carrier Austral.

Iberia is the largest single shareholder in the consortium, although the Argentine Government (with a five percent holding) also has certain veto rights.

Other members of the consortium: Cielos del Sur, 12 percent; five local companies with a combined 53 percent; and the airline's employees, 10 percent.

Argentina's state telephone company Entel was the first major state-run business to be privatized by President Menem's administration November 8.

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#90325d4160 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ST. CHARLES, MISSOURI, (NOV 21) - Child abuse charges have been dropped against 63-year-old rock and roll pioneer Chuck Berry, who agreed to a plea agreement on drug charges, his attorney said.

"I feel fantastic, because I hope and believe that the clearance will be as prominently exposed as the allegation," Mr. Berry said about the child abuse charges. "And therefore, I can go on with my life."

Mr. Berry, whose early hits include "Johnny B. Good," "Roll Over Beethoven," and "Sweet Little Sixteen" agreed Tuesday to serve two years of unsupervised probation on a marijuana charge as part of a plea agreement.

Mr. Berry was charged in July after drug agents searched his 60-hectare (150-acre) estate some 65 kilometers (40 miles) west of St. Louis.

He was originally charged with possession of more than 35 grams of marijuana and three charges of child abuse for making nude films of youths under age 17 for sexual gratification.

His attorney Wayne Schoeneberg said the tape was phony and that "somebody had slipped that videotape into evidence seized at his property."

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#90325d4190 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) - The U.S. Energy Department reported Wednesday that U.S. oil companies have posted only modest increases in profits despite soaring oil prices provoked by the Gulf crisis.

The report said oil company profits from production nearly doubled in the third quarter, but most of those gains were offset by reduced earnings in the refining, marketing and chemical sectors.

Calvin Kent, administrator of the Energy Information Administration, which produced the study, said the surge in oil prices following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait did not result in runaway profits for the oil companies.

"There's no statistical evidence that profiteering took place," he said.

The report did not provide figures for specific oil companies, but said that major U.S. oil companies posted a 1.7 per cent increase in profit in the period from July through September.

But the majors reported a 24 per cent increase in earnings from their petroleum businesses during the third quarter, while profits of their chemical subsidiaries declined by 50 per cent because of higher oil costs.

Earnings from petroleum production by eight oil companies rose 90 per cent to 1.5 billion dollars during the period but it was unclear to what extent those gains were offset by declines in refining profits.

Five companies reported declines in refinery profits of up to 46 per cent while six other companies said their refinery profits dropped by as much as 83 per cent.

U.S. independent oil and gas producers, on the other hand, reaped 102 million dollars in profit during the period, a 685 per cent increase over the same period of the previous year, when they earned only 13 million dollars.

Since the Iraqi invasion, oil prices have climbed from about 21 dollars a barrel to 41 dollars a barrel before subsiding to a little more than 30 dollars a barrel Wednesday.

The report said "the vast majority of the benefit of higher (oil) prices went to foreign interests, primarily foreign governments."

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MOSCOW (NOV 21) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein must not be allowed to "bring the international community to its knees," Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev said in an interview with French and Soviet televison.

The Soviet leader, speaking after the end of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe in Paris, said, "I am convinced that we will resolve the (Gulf) conflict in the interests of all peoples."

He stressed that "all politicians are doing their best to avoid a military solution" to the crisis. "That seems to me to be the main guiding mark," he said.

It would be for the U.N. Security to council to take the "appropriate decision " Mr. Gorbachev said, although he would not be drawn on the question of whether Moscow would vote would vote in the Council for a resolution authorising the use of force to evict Iraq from Kuwait.

He said that in his meeting with U.S. President George Bush, "to the extent that the situation is not becoming clearer and is even getting more complex, we decided it required study at the level of the United Nations Security Council.

In discussions in Paris with U.S. officials, Moscow had appeared reluctant to back a U.N. resolution sought by Mr. Bush for the use of force.

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#90325d4410 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUSCAT, (NOV 22) - Iraq's Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz on Wednesday gave Omani leader Sultan Qaboos a message from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein calling for dialogue to resolve the Gulf crisis, the Omani news agency ONA reported.

Mr. Aziz arrived here unexpectedly earlier Wednesday to begin the first visit to a Gulf monarchy by an Iraqi official since Baghdad's seizure of Kuwait.

The Iraqi leader's message to the Omani leader "contained Iraq's agreement on the principle of dialogue to reach a peaceful settlement" in the Gulf, ONA said.

The message was Baghdad's reply to an appeal to the same effect made by Sultan Qaboos on Monday, the Omani news agency said.

Mr. Aziz travelled to Oman after a brief stop-over in Yemen. U.S. Secretary of State James Baker was also expected to visit both countries.

Mr. Aziz was met at the airport here by Omani Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Youssef bin Alawi Abdallah.

Oman, current head of the Gulf Cooperation Council that includes Kuwait, has urged Iraq to withdraw its troops from the emirate.

The government announced Monday its opposition to an emergency Arab summit, proposed by Morocco, as long as Baghdad refused to commit itself to evacuating its forces.

Before Oman, Mr. Aziz was briefly in Yemen, where authorities have criticized the Iraqi invasion but have shown sympathy for Baghdad.

Yemen in December will chair the 15-member U.N. Security Council, where the United States is promoting a resolution authorizing the use of force to dislodge Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

The Iraqi foreign minister's tour of the Gulf came hours before Mr. Baker was expected in Yemen and Oman, and just U.S. President George Bush arrived n Saudi Arabia.

Mr. Baker is due to meet in Oman with officials of Malaysia, which is also currently a member of the Security Council.

Since the August 2 invasion, Yemen has abstained three times from backing Council resolutions imposing sanctions on Baghdad and voted once against an anti-Iraqi measure.

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#90325d4440 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV. 22) - All 33 passengers and four crew of a twin-engined plane were killed when it crashed in the Gulf of Thailand, police confirmed here Thursday.

They said a number of foreign nationals were aboard the Bangkok Airways plane which was on a flight from Bangkok to the island of Ko Samui, 640 kilometres to the south, a popular holiday destination.

Police said Wednesday's crash occurred shortly before landing when the Dash 8 aircraft flew into a tropical storm.

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#90325d4460 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HALLE, Germany (NOV 22) - The head of the Christian Social Union (CSU), one of Germany's three governing parties, on Wednesday warned that public hostility to Saddam Hussein could shift if German hostages in the Gulf are freed.

"I see a danger whereby public opinion could change after the release of a large number of German hostages in Iraq or Kuwait," CSU general secretary Erwin Huber told the Express, a local daily, in an interview for publication Thursday.

The Iraqi parliament Tuesday voted in favour of freeing 124 German hostages.

The CSU is the Bavarian branch of Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union (CDU), the main component of the centre-right government.

Mr. Huber added that the trip to Baghdad this month by former chancellor Willy Brandt had been an "essential factor" in the promised release of the hostages.

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#90325d4510 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 22) - U.S. President George Bush and Saudi King Fahd agreed here Wednesday to reject any partial solution in the Gulf crisis and said the use of force against Iraq could not be ruled out, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said.

Mr. Bush arrived here earlier Wednesday from the European security summit in Paris to dicuss the Gulf crisis and celebrate the traditional Thanksgiving Day holiday Thursday with American troops deployed in the region.

The U.S. president met for two hours with King Fahd and held separate talks with the exiled ruler of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah.

Mr. Baker said there had been complete agreement between the Americans and Saudis on the need for full application of U.N. resolutions demanding Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Washington and Jeddah agreed they would need utmost caution in respect of calls for partial solutions, he said, mentioning proposals which have been made under which Baghdad would keep Kuwaiti islands in the Gulf.

Mr. Bush will also visit Egypt and is to hold talks on Friday with Syrian President Hafez el-Assad in Geneva, Syrian and U.S. officials said.

Before that Mr. Bush will spend Thursday with some of the more than 230,000 U.S. troops deployed in the region to celebrate the Thanksgiving Day feast.

The president, who is accompanied on his whirlwind tour by his wife Barbara, is making the first such visit by an American leader to a potential war zone since Richard Nixon went to Vietnam in 1969.

Mr. Bush is the third U.S. chief executive to visit Saudi Arabia -- a traditional ally of Washington -- in 16 years. Mr. Nixon came to the kingdom in 1974 and Jimmy Carter visited in 1978.

On Thursday morning, the U.S. president will visit the Dhahran air base in eastern Saudi Arabia where some U.S. troops are stationed and will travel to about 350 kilometers (217 miles) from the Kuwaiti border.

He will spend time with each of the four U.S. armed forces services -- Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps -- but for security reasons his exact itinerary has not been divulged.

Mr. Bush will leave Thursday afternoon for Cairo where he is to meet with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

In Cairo, Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid said that if the U.N. Security Council adopted a resolution authorizing the use of force to dislodge Iraq from Kuwait, it would not alter his country's determination to seek a peaceful settlement.

In an unexpected announcement, the White House said late Wednesday that Mr. Bush would hold talks on Friday with his Syrian counterpart to discuss the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Assad has become an important ally in the international standoff against Iraq despite the fact that ties between Washington and Damascus have been tense for years.

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#90325d4620 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV 22) - A soviet Aeroflot plane with 176 passengers on board crashed Wednesday near the Siberian city of Yakutsk with the loss of all lives, Soviet television reported Thursday.

The report said the Ilyushin 62 plane crashed on landing. The American Cnn television network quoted the Soviet Interfax news service as saying that one passenger survived the crash.

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#90325d8940 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (NOV. 21) - Australia's interest rates seem set to fall again, bringing relief to business and home owners in the wake of a tax-wage trade-off announced by Treasurer Paul Keating Tuesday.

Financial markets appeared to give their support Wednesday to Mr. Keating's belief that the move was "unambiguously good news" for Australia.

Backed by union leaders, the deal follows the unexpectedly lower September quarter inflation rate and will deliver an average 2.95 dollars (2.26 U.S.) on top of tax cuts already promised from January 1.

Australian shares opened higher Wednesday, continuing the rally that started after Tuesday's announcement.

Brokers said the local market was focused on domestic factors and flying in the face of a steep fall on Wall Street overnight.

The all industrials surged 16.3 points to 2071.5, the all resources added 2.2 to 833.3 and rises led falls by 70 to 47.

Business welcomed the news.

The major employer body, the Confederation of Australian Industry, said there was a "good deal of common sense" in the decision to substitute a further tax cut for a wage increase promised under a government agreement with the unions.

"A wage-tax trade-off which leads to lower inflation and therefore to lower rates of interest is in the best interests of the Australian economy," said confederation chief executive Ian Spicer.

A further cut in official interest rates foreshadowed by Mr. Keating seems likely, possibly within days.

Most economists believe the Government will ease monetary policy for the sixth time before the end of 1990 from the current 13 percent level of official cash.

Commercial and housing rates could fall even without a change in official rates after the announcement by the biggest private bank, Westpac, of a 0.5 per cent cut in its mortage rates to 15 percent.

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#90325d9070 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 21) - Japan and South Korea have agreed on expanded air services between the two countries with the number of gateway points in Japan increasing from nine to 12, the Japanese Foreign Ministry said Wednesday.

Under an agreement signed here Tuesday by Japan's foreign minister, Taro Nakayama, and Korean Ambassador to Japan Lee Won-Kyung, South Korean airlines are to open new routes from South Korea to Hiroshima and Okayama as well as to Kumamoto or Kagoshima, ministry officials said.

The agreement also calls for Japan to open routes to points other than Seoul, Pusan and Cheju, they said.

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#90325d9160 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 21) - Japan's second largest bank, Mitsui Taiyo Kobe Bank Ltd., said Wednesday its net profit totaled 44 billion yen (320 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The bank which emerged in April 1990 as the result of a merger between Mitsui Bank and Taiyo Kobe Bank said revenue came to 2,160 billion yen (15.7 billion dollars).

The combined net profit of Mitsui Bank and Taiyo Kobe Bank was 64 billion yen (464 million dollars) in the six months a year earlier, while the combined revenue was 1,612 billion yen (11.7 billion dollars).

For the year to March 1990, the bank forecast a net profit of 90 billion yen (650 million dollars), down from an earlier forecast of 115 billion yen (830 million dollars).

Revenue projection stayed unchanged at 4,500 billion yen (32.6 billion dollars).

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#90325d9180 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 21 (AFP) - Malaysia's national oil company Petronas is looking for local and foreign partners for a multi-million dollar venture to distribute natural gas in the country, a top company official said Wednesday.

Petronas president Azizan Zainal Abidin said that the joint venture company would require initial investment of between 300 million dollars (111 million U.S.) and 400 million dollars (148 million U.S.).

Mr. Azizan said that Malaysia Mining Corp. was one of the local companies vying for a stake in the joint venture, which would be responsible for installing all basic facilities like pipelines to consumers.

Several foreign oil corporations including from Japan, Britain, Canada and the United States have indicated interest in the project, he said.

"Although it has already been decided that Petronas will hold a 20 per cent stake in the company, no decision has been made on the foreign equity," Mr. Azizan said.

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#90325d9190 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 21) - The Japan-Soviet Trade Association on Wednesday unveiled a plan to cooperate in a large-scale project to modernize the Soviet port of Vanino on the Sea of Japan, in order to promote Soviet exports to Japan.

Spokesmen said the association, comprising more than 80 small and medium-size Japanese companies, is planning to organize a consortium jointly with major trading and manufacturing companies and banks in order to obtain package orders from the Soviet Union for the project, which is estimated to cost 500 million dollars.

The project is to construct cargo-handling facilities at Vanino, 400 kilometers (250 miles) northeast of Khabarovsk, for containers, timber, oil and petrochemical products for export to Japan, as part of Moscow's efforts for economic liberalization in the Soviet Far East, they said.

The association is currently sending a survey mission to the Soviet port in order to work out detailed plans after their return this weekend, they said.

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#90325d9200 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 21) - The Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan said Wednesday its net profit fell 9.4 percent from a year earlier to 33 billion yen (240 million dollars) in the six months to September on a stock market plunge.

The 10th biggest bank in Japan said its revenue swelled 22.9 percent to 1,096 billion yen (7.9 billion dollars) thanks to higher interest rates in Japan and a steady buildup of assets.

Net profit is forecast at 60 billion yen (435 million dollars) for the full year, slightly down from an earlier estimate of 64 billion yen (464 million dollars). Revenue is estimated to reach 2,150 billion yen (15.6 billion dollars), also down from 2,210 billion yen (16 billion dollars) previsouly.

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TEHERAN (NOV. 21) - Iran on Wednesday charged that a United Nations report alleging human rights abuses here was unfounded and reflected a misunderstanding of Islamic law.

The foreign ministry, in a statement carried by Teheran Radio, was reacting to report Monday by U.N. investigator Reynaldo Galindo Pohl that human rights violations were common in Iran and that government officials did little to curb abuses or punish the abusers.

Mr. Pohl, who visited Iran in 1989 and in October of this year to research his 99-page document, also said executions remained high and expressed skepticism of televised confessions.

"Political pressure from the West led to Mr. Galindo Pohl to draft a report that did not take into consideration the testimony he heard here," the foreign ministry maintained, adding that the document was designed "to exercise political pressure on Iran."

The ministry statement said the allegations were "baseless" and resulted from a "misundertanding by the author of Islamic law."

"Iran's cooperation with the human rights commission of the United Nations can continue in a climate of mutual comprehension -- but on condition that there is no effort to impose values unsuited to Islam and the Islamic Republic," the statement concluded.

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#90325d9320 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 21) - Japan's Sanwa Bank Ltd. said Monday its net profit tumbled 23.5 percent from a year earlier to 61.4 billion yen (445 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The Osaka-based bank, Japan's sixth largest, said revenue grew 27.3 percent to 2,046 billion yen (14.8 billion dollars) in the same period.

Net profit for the full year was forecast at 130 billion yen (942 million dollars), down sharply from an orginal estimate of 150 billion yen (1.1 billion dollars). Revenue is expected to reach 4,200 billion yen (30.4 billion

dollars), dowm from 4,300 billion yen (31.2 billion dollars) previously.

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#90325d9360 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 21) - An official Iraqi newspaper on Wednesday warned that Iraq would strike directly at Israel and pro-U.S. Gulf states if it came under attack, adding that Iraqi military capabilities were unlimited.

Al-Thawra, the publication of the ruling Baath Party, issued the warning only hours before U.S. President George Bush was due in Saudi Arabia, where more than 100,000 U.S. ground and air forces deployed following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

"If ... aggression takes place, Iraq, whose (military) capacities are unlimited, will destroy all nests of evil and corruption. All the little allies of the United States in the region will be the direct targets of lightning strikes," the paper said.

"Israel could no longer remain as it is now, continuing to implement its expansionist plan - of which very little would be left," according to Al-Thawra.

Iraq on Monday announced plans to send a quarter of a million reinforcements to Kuwait and southern Iraq, bringing its total troop strength there to 700,000.

Some 350,000 troops from the United States, Britain, France and several Arab, African and Asian nations are currently stationed in Saudi Arabia and elsewhere in the Gulf as part of a campaign to persuade Iraq to pull out of Kuwait.

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#90325d9370 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 21) - Japan's Sony Corp. said Wednesday its consolidated net profit rose 5.9 percent from a year earlier to 49 billion yen (355 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Sony, one of the world's leading consumer electronics manufacturers, said consolidated sales, covering 584 companies, jumped 42 percent to 1,230 billion yen (8.9 billion dollars).

Sony said sales surpassed year-before levels in all items, with sales of video-cassette recorders, audio equipment and television sets all posting rises of more than 30 percent.

Net profit of Sony alone soared 45.4 percent to 27 billion yen (196 million

dollars), while sales surged 23.3 percent to 720 billion yen (5.2 billion dollars).

For the year to March, the company forecast a net profit of 70 billion yen (510 million dollars) on sales of 1,820 billion yen (13.2 billion dollars) in unconsolidated terms.

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#90325d9420 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 21) - South Africa's gold output rose marginally in October to 48,577 kilograms from 48,442 kilos in September, the Chamber of Mines representing the major gold mining houses said here Wednesday.

The figure represents a 2.6 percent decrease on the October 1989 figure of 49,865 kilos.

The year's cumulative total of 501,777 kilos, which includes uranium oxide and other metals produced by gold mines, is 0.7 percent down on the cumulative total of 505,444 kilos at the same point last year.

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#90325d9460 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 21) - The Bank of Japan has received few complaints from Japanese companies about the yen's recent surge against the dollar and other major currencies, a senior central bank official said Wednesday.

"Surprisingly, we heard very little complaints about the rapid appreciation of the yen from the industrial sector," the official told a news conference.

The official, who asked not to be named, said the apparent lack of concern about the yen's surge from more than 150 to the dollar in July to less than 125 in September partly reflected the fact that the currency had hit even lower levels more than three years ago. "They know the scenery," he said.

But the indifference also reflected the fact that the Japanese economy is now driven more by domestic demand than external demand, reversing the situation of several years ago when the yen's appreciation began, he said.

Major Japanese exporters have meanwhile insulated their overseas sales from being further damaged by a stronger yen by shifting production offshore to foreign countries, the official added.

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#90325d9470 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 21) - Sumitomo Bank Ltd. said Wednesday its net profit plunged

27.3 percent from a year earlier to 70 billion yen (507 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Sumitomo, Japan's third biggest bank, said its revenue soared 26.6 percent to 2,316 billion yen (16.8 billion dollars).

The bank forecast a net profit of 140 billion yen (one billion dollars) for the year to March, down from an initial estimate of 160 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars). Revenue projection remained unchanged at 4,700 billion yen (34 billion dollars).

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#90325d9550 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Tokyo (NOV. 21) - Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama said Wednesday it was premature to give economic aid to Vietnam, foreign ministry sources said.

Nakayama commented during a two-hour meeting with visiting Singapore Foreign Minister Wong Kan Seng at the foreign ministry guest house.

Nakayama was quoted as saying Vietnam needed to promote political reforms as well as economic ones and economic assistance to the country was premature.

Wong said economic reforms were going on to some extent. But, he added, such reforms were not taking root in the northern part of Vietnam and an exodus of refugees was still reported.

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#90325d9620 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (NOV. 21) - The Lebanese Forces (LF) Christian militia is to begin a military withdrawal from Beirut within hours, an LF spokesman announced here early Wednesday.

He said the militia and the government had reached "an agreement in principle" on issues that had held up the evacuation, which had been scheduled for Monday.

"Negotiations with the legal authorities have made great progress and, in the coming hours, measures will be taken ... for the withdrawal of LF units and the deployment of the army," the spokesman said.

The LF had been seeking security guarantees in exchange for a decision to dismantle its positions in the Ashrafieh district in east Beirut.

Seven other religious and secular groups have already pulled out of positions in and around Beirut, scene of bitter factional clashes over the past 15 years to allow the government to exert its authority throughout the city.

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#90325d9760 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (NOV. 21) - U.S. Ambassador Donald Gregg said here Wednesday there were problems in bilateral relations between Washington and Seoul and that misunderstanding abounded.

In a speech to the Korean Council on Foreign Relations, called very strong by other foreign envoys present, Mr. Gregg decried current trade friction between the two allies and the growing anti-Americanism prevalent among students.

"Unfortunately, I cannot stand here today and tell you truthfully that all is well with the relationship," Mr. Gregg said.

"There is now a young generation of Koreans who do not hold or understand the special bond with the U.S. that their elders who remember the Korean War still harbor," he said.

Citing a recent poll which found that almost 80 per cent of South Koreans blamed the United States for the division of Korea, Mr. Gregg said: "I wonder whether these students will continue to hold such views when they graduate from university and enter business or government careers."

The majority of the speech was devoted to a growing rift between Seoul and Washington over U.S. pressure on a reluctant South Korea to open its markets and end what foreign partners view as descriminatory trade practices.

"Misperceptions abound. Negative views of America have become widespread in Korea as outdated perceptions of U.S. influence on the peninsula lag behind the reality," he said.

In the United States, reports of violent anti-U.S. demonstrations and "the perception of (South) Korea as a mercantilist trader have contributed to an erosion of support for Korean positions on both trade and security," he said.

Mr. Gregg said it was in the interests of both countries to avoid emotionalism as the old relationship, based mostly on security issues, became more complicated.

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#90325d9790 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA, Nov 21 (AFP) - Philippine sugar production is expected to dip by five to six per cent due to damage wrought by killer typhoon Mike, Agriculture Secretary Senen Bacani said Wednesday.

Agricultural losses alone totalled 1.5 billion pesos (54 million dollars), "mostly sugar", he told reporters.

From the fiscal year beginning October 1, Manila has a 15.8 per cent share of the U.S. market representing an annual quota of 262,147 tonnes, according to the U.S. agriculture department.

Official figures for total Philippine sugar production last year were not immediately available.

Typhoon Mike ravaged the central islands last week including Panay and Negros, the country's sugar bowl, leaving nearly 300 people dead.

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#90325d9800 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 21) - The Bank of Tokyo Ltd. (BOT) said Wednesday its net profit tumbled 20.3 percent from a year earlier to 26 billion yen (188 million dollars) in the six months to September.

BOT, Japan's ninth biggest bank and the only foreign exchange specialized bank said its revenue advanced 18.3 percent to 1,130 billion yen (8.2 billion dollars).

The bank has slightly lowered its net profit forecast for the year to March from 52 billion yen (377 million dollars) to 51 billion yen (370 million dollars).

Revenue projection has also been lowered from 2,500 billion yen (18 billion dollars) to 2,200 billion yen (16 billion dollars).

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#90325d9810 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 21) - Fuji Bank Ltd. said Wednesday its net profit nosedived 27.5 percent from a year earlier to 61 billion yen (442 million dollars) in the six months to September.

For the year to March, the bank forecast a net profit of 100 billion yen (725 million dollars), sharply down from an initial estimate of 135 billion yen (980 million dollars).

Fuji, Japan's fourth biggest bank, said its revenue jumped 28.3 percent to 1,999 billion yen (14.5 billion dollars).

Revenue is expected to come to 4,200 billion yen (30.4 billion dollars), down from 4,600 billion yen (33.3 billion dollars) projected earlier.

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#90325d9830 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 21) - Industrial Bank of Japan Ltd. (IBJ) said Wednesday its net profit tumbled 25.5 percent from a year earlier to 38 billion yen (275 million dollars) in the six months to September.

For the year to March, the largest debenture-issuing bank in Japan forecast a net profit of 75 billion yen (543 million dollars), down from an initial estimate of 80 billion yen (580 million dollars).

IBJ, Japan's seventh biggest bank in asset terms, said its revenue rose 20.7 percent to 1,527 billion yen (11.1 billion dollars).

Revenue is forecast to total 3,100 billion yen (22.5 billion dollars), down from 3,300 billion yen (24 billion dollars).

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#90325d9840 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 21) - Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank Ltd. (DKB) said Wednesday its net profit plunged 33.1 percent from a year earlier to 53.7 billion yen (340 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The bank forecast a net profit of 95 billion yen (688 million dollars) for the year to March, a significant drop from an initial estimate of 155 billion yen (1.1 billion dollars).

The largest Japanese bank in terms of assets said its revenue soared 25.8 per cent to 2,224 billion yen (16.1 billion dollars).

Revenue was projected at 4,700 billion yen (34 billion dollars), also down from 5,300 billion yen (38 billion dollars).

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#90325d9980 11/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 21) - Guinness, the British beer and spirits giant, Wednesday announced a 518-million pound (1.02-billion dollar) takeover bid of the Spanish brewery La Cruz del Campo.

Seville-based La Cruz del Campo is Spain's biggest brewery with a 22-per- cent share of the domestic market.

The brewery's main shareholders have accepted the buy-in which will push Guinness Brewing Worldwide from 17th to 12th position in a list of the world's biggest breweries.

The takeover will also re-balance Guinness's overall production, with beer falling back to spirits after the 1986 takeover of Distillers.

With Distillers which holds more than one third of the worldwide whisky market Guinness became one of the four big spirits makers, along with Grand Metropolitan, Allied Lyons and Seagram.

The Cruz del Campo deal will also introduce a range of lager beers to match Guinness's preference for stouts.

Cruz del Campo last year reported a pretax profit of 58 million pounds (114 million dollars) and a 237-million pound (467-million dollar) turnover.

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#90325e0019 11/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (NOV. 21) EFE - Share prices dropped slightly on the Madrid stock exchange Wednesday with the general index losing 0.57 points to close the day at 231.91.

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#90325e0020 11/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ATHENS (NOV 21) EFE - The extreme leftist November 17 group Wednesday claimed responsibility for an assassination attempt on Greek shipping magnate Vardis Vardinoyannis.

In a statement sent to the socialist daily Epikerotita, November 17 said the car-bomb attack Tuesday was to protest the alleged mafioso methods used by the Vardinoyannis family.

Vardinoyannis and his bodyguards escaped unharmed from the attack which damaged nearby cars and shattered the windows of shops and houses.

The Greek conservative government and the socialist opposition have both condemned the assassination attempt.

In the last 16 years, the November 17 group has killed 14 Greek and U.S. citizens, including a U.S. military attache who died in a similar car-bomb attack in June 1988.

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#90325e0023 11/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Paris (NOV. 21) EFE - Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney said Wednesday he had promised Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev urgent food aid to help ease the expected food supply crisis in the Soviet Union this winter.

Mulroney met Wednesday with Gorbachev in Paris and said new credit terms extended to the Soviet Union would be +reasonable and favorable+ as a way of

showing Canada's support for reforms in the Soviet Union.

Mulroney said Canada would extend the Soviet Union credit in excess of its present credit line of dlrs 850 million to help it get through the winter, and said the Soviets had requested meat, powdered milk, butter, oil and other staples.

The Canadian premier also said the Gulf crisis had dominated informal discussions at this week's Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe summit in Paris.

He said he believed the United Nations Security Council would be convened in the +coming weeks+ for a new analysis of the Gulf crisis.

In response to a question asking if he would support a resolution being sought by the United States in favor of using force to solve the Gulf crisis, Mulroney said he would not support one that said "we go to war tomorrow morning".

Joe Clark, Canada's secretary of state for external affairs, said there was complete agreement among the 34 nations attending the Paris summit to seek a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

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#90325e0027 11/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BRATISLAVA, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (NOV 21) EFE - The Slovak parliament has approved an agreement that allows it to share some powers with the Czechoslovak federal government but falls short of calls for full Slovakian autonomy.

"The Slovaks need the Czechs and the Czechs need the Slovaks," said Vladimir Meciar, president of the Slovak government, following the vote late Tuesday.

Legislators voted 90-14 with 22 abstentions in favor of the proposed agreement called the Competency Law.

It must also be approved by the Czech Parliament and the Federal Assembly.

Reached last week, it specifies the areas of authority of the two republics' governments and leaves foreign and monetary policy to the federal government.

But members of the separatist National Slovak Party and the Christian Democratic Movement argue that Slovakia should form an independent nation.

Up until the last moment, political observers doubted whether the Slovak Parliament would pass the proposed accord.

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#90325e0029 11/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
LIMA (NOV. 21) EFE - Striking Peruvian health workers began drifting back to work Wednesday after the government threatened to sack them and sent in security forces to keep hospitals open.

In a special decree, President Alberto Fujimori declared the nation's hospitals under a state of emergency, accusing the 50,000 striking workers of "abandoning" the public and attacking the system, and said if the workers did not return to work immediately they would be fired.

The decree, published in the daily El Peruano, accuses health workers of sabotaging the social security system and allows security forces to enter hospitals to maintain emergency services.

Some 5,000 health workers have gone back to work, although pickets are slowing down the return.

Last Saturday, Fujimori introduced the legislation which forbids public sector strikes and allows the government to sack workers in such key industries as transport, hospitals, telecommunications, food, and water, who break the new laws.

Saturday's legislation was introduced to counter a week-long strike by 600,000 state workers who, like the health employees, are protesting a government program of cutbacks which has drastically reduced public spending.

Striking workers have already clashed with police in the capital, while labor leaders have said they will intensify their efforts if the government tries to infringe on union's rights.

State workers are also calling for wage hikes to match inflation, which has reduced spending power to less than half what it was in December 1987.

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#90325e0031 11/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
GUARNIZO, SPAIN (NOV 21) EFE - A ball of nylon rope weighing 60.5 kg was found Wednesday in the stomach of a slaughtered cow in northern Spain, a livestock trader said.

Fernando Torre, who owned the cow, said the rope was found after the animal was killed in a slaughterhouse in Guarnizo in the northern province of Cantabria.

Before its death, the cow had given birth to a calf.

The vet who attended the birth believed that the cow had a second calf in its

uterus, but thought it was dead as he could not hear its heartbeat, Torre said.

Slaughterhouse boss Ricardo Grijuela said the animal "had to swallow the cord during a period of 24 hours for it to reach its stomach."

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#90325e0046 11/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (NOV. 21) EFE - Security forces Wednesday killed five kidnappers, including a woman, in a successful bid to rescue a hostage held in the western Colombian city of Medellin, police said.

In a 30-second operation, the elite Anti-Extortion and Kidnap Unit (UNASE) rescued businessman Alberto de la Roche from the upmarket district of El Poblado where he was being held on the top floor of a luxury building.

De la Roche, owner of a timber firm, was abducted three weeks ago in the town of Rio Negro near Medellin, capital of the department of Antioquia.

The kidnappers had demanded a dlrs one million ransom for his release.

UNASE, which comprises 100 of the best men from the Armed Forces and police units, was created last month in the department of Antioquia to counteract a rising wave of kidnappings.

Nearly 300 people have been kidnapped so far this year in Antioquia.

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#90325e0049 11/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON, (NOV 21) - The United States could unleash a devasting agricultural trade war against the European Community if the EC fails to compromise on further reductions in subsidies to its farmers, a member of the House Agricultural Committee warned Wednesday.

Failure to negotiate a compromise, +would mean the beginning, I think, of a trade war on agricultural issues between the United States and the EC+, Democrat Rep. Dan Glickman of Kansas said after a meeting Wednesday with European agricultural attaches.

+That is a war that would be very expensive for both sides and it is one that could lead to very serious political and economic ramifications in the world,+ Glickman added.

The EC, which groups 12 European nations, has agreed to cut subsidies to its farmers by 30 per cent over a ten-year period during four years of talks aimed at pulling down barriers to international trade.

But the United States has called for a 75 per cent cut in farm grants and a 90 per cent cut in farm export subsidies under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) Uruguay Round of talks which are due to end in December with an agreement slashing trade barriers in 15 areas.

Earlier Wednesday, U.S. Commerce Department officials said that the United States was considering doubling import duties on several EC agricultural products in response to the loss of some dlrs 240 million worth of maize and sorghum exports to Spain and Portugal because of EC subsidies.

Glickman said he was +very pessimistic+ about reaching a compromise agreement on the farm subsidies meeting before the delegates from the 100 GATT signatory nations are due to meet in the Belgium capital December 3.

+The EC with ten million farmers, I just never thought they would be very interested in a meaningful GATT agreement,+ Glickman said.

+I think it's a mistake on (the EC's) part not to push the reduction on export subsidies. They should understand if we don't get a GATT agreement, Congress... will become much more assertive and probably much more protectionist,+ he added.

But Glickman held out some faint hope that the deadline for an agreement could be extended into 1991.

+I think it's possible, particularly if the parties can maybe work out some language that would make it look like it didn't end in disaster,+ he said, but added that +right now (I) don't see an agreement coming out that's meaningful or substantive+.

But chief U.S. trade negotiator Carla Hills said earlier this month that she was against any extension of the deadline for an agreement on agricultural subsidies.

If an accord on extending the deadline were reached this could pave the way for an agreement on 14 other trade areas, including computer software, at the meeting in Brussels.

But Glickman's pessimism on a successful conclusion to the Uruguay Round was echoed Wednesday by the permanent secretary of the Latin American Economic System, Carlos Perez del Castillo.

Perez de Castillo, a Uruguayan, said the subsidies dispute had +seriously comprimised+ the results of the Uruguay Round and predicted serious consequence for Latin America if a trade war broke out between the EC and the United States.

Uruguay forms part of the Cairns group of agriculture- exporting nations which

is backing massive cuts to farm subsidies.

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#90325f0116 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for November 20: Purchases of 446,106 shares and sales of 525,394 shares including 14,147 shares sold short.

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#90325f0614 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 21) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen c	1pm	42	05
Amsterdam c	1pm	70	21
Ankara pc	3pm	61	16
Athens c	2pm	70	21
Auckland cy	12m	60	16
Beijing c	8pm	40	04
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	43	06
Bonn pc	1pm	45	07
Brussels c	1pm	46	08
Cairo c	2pm	77	25
Casablanca cy	12n	66	19
Copenhagen cy	1pm	39	04
Dakar hz	12n	80	26
Dublin c	1pm	44	06
Geneva cy	1pm	44	07
Helsinki s	2pm	16	--08
Hong Kong c	8pm	68	20
Jerusalem pc	2pm	64	18
Karachi	5pm	-	-
Lisbon pc	1pm	54	12
London cy	1pm	43	06
Madrid r	1pm	45	07
Malta c	1pm	71	22
Manila cy	8pm	83	28
Moscow cy	3pm	38	03
Nairobi cy	3pm	75	24
Nassau pc	7am	63	17
New Delhi c	6pm	73	23
Nice pc	1pm	62	16
Oslo s	1pm	27	--02

Paris pc	1pm	45	07
Pretoria c	2pm	80	26
Riyadh	3pm	82	28
Rome pc	1pm	68	20
Seoul cy	9pm	36	02
Sofia pc	2pm	60	15
Stockholm cy	1pm	29	01
Sydney cy	10pm	74	23
Taipei r	8pm	61	16
Tokyo cy	9pm	51	10
Tunis pc	1pm	73	23
Vienna r	1pm	48	08
Warsaw cy	1pm	45	07

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	73	23
Caracas pc	8am	67	19
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	62	17
Mexico City hz	6am	53	11
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	-	-
Santiago c	8am	63	17

Canada

Calgary c	28	02
Edmonton pc	25	04
Montreal cy	43	06
Ottawa cy	40	04
Regina cy	49	09
Toronto cy	50	10
Vancouver r	44	06
Winnipeg fy	46	08

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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#90325f1087 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 73.80-76.50 c-lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 123.62-127.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 39.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non-primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $205.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $416.00-$425.00; dealer-approx., $418.50-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 295.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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#90325h0014 11/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

XI'AN (NOV. 21) XINHUA - A BREED OF DWARF HORSES, WHICH STAND ONLY 1.06 METERS, HAVE RECENTLY BEEN DISCOVERED IN THE QINBA MOUNTAINS IN NORTHWEST CHINA'S SHAANXI PROVINCE.

EXPERTS FROM THE NORTHWEST CHINA AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY SAID THAT THE HORSES CAN BE EITHER USED AS BEASTS OF BURDEN IN THE MOUNTAINS OR CAN BE PETS FOR URBAN FAMILIES.

THEY SAID THAT 170 OF THE MINIATURE HORSES HAD BEEN SELECTED AND THAT A BREEDING BASE IS TO BE CONSTRUCTED.

SIMILAR HORSES HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN FOUND IN YUNNAN, GUIZHOU AND SICHUAN PROVINCES, BUT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THEY HAVE BEEN FOUND IN THE NORTHERN PART OF THE COUNTRY.

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#90325h0020 11/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

XI'AN (NOV. 21) XINHUA - ART EDUCATION HAS BECOME A MAJOR PART OF OVERALL EDUCATION IN CHINA'S PRIMARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS, ACCORDING TO A NATIONAL MEETING ON EXPERIMENTAL WORK IN SUCH EDUCATION HELD IN THIS CAPITAL OF SHAANXI PROVINCE.

SINCE CHINA RESUMED TEACHING ART IN PRIMARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS IN 1979, THERE HAS BEEN A GREAT INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF MUSIC AND FINE ARTS TEACHERS.

IN 1987 THE STATE EDUCATION COMMISSION SET UP EXPERIMENTAL CENTERS FOR ART EDUCATION IN ZHUCHENG CITY IN SHANDONG PROVINCE, QIANJIANG CITY IN HUBEI PROVINCE, PANSHI COUNTY IN JILIN PROVINCE AND XI'AN.

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#90325h0071 11/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ANKARA (NOV. 21) XINHUA - TURKEY HAS RECEIVED THE FIRST BATCH OF WEAPONRY PLEDGED BY GERMANY AND THE UNITED STATES FOLLOWING THE OUTBREAK OF THE GULF CRISIS.

SIXTY LEOPARD TANKS AND OVER 100 M-88 TANKS AND TANK RECOVERY VHICLES PROVIDED BY GERMANY ARRIVED MONDAY AT DERINCE DOCK IN IZMIT, ABOUT 100 KILOMETERS EAST OF ISTANBUL, THE LARGEST DAILY "HURRIYET" REPORTED TODAY.

THE PAPER SAID THAT THE WEAPONS WOULD BE SENT TO SOUTHEASTERN ANATOLIA. GERMANY AND THE U.S. AGREED TO PROVIDE TURKEY WITH 9 BILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF MODERN WEAPONS TO ARM THE TURKISH FORCES FOLLOWING IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

THE MODERN WEAPONS INCLUDE 600 M-60 TANKS, 400 LEOPARD TANKS, 700 ARMORED VEHICLES AND FOUR DESTROYERS.

TWO SHIPS CARRYING MORE LEOPARD TANKS WILL ARRIVE AT DERINCE DOCK THIS WEEK, ACCORDING TO THE PAPER.

IT SAID "SEVERAL THOUSAND" ANTI-TANK ROCKETS, WHICH CONSTITUTE THE "THIRD PACKAGE" OF THE MILITARY AID TO TURKEY BY GERMANY, WILL ARRIVE IN THE COMING WEEKS.

TURKISH SOURCES TOLD XINHUA TUESDAY THAT 32 "PATRIOT "SHORT-RANGE GROUND-TO-AIR MISSILES PROMISED BY THE U.S. WOULD ARRIVE IN TURKEY IN THE COMING DAYS.

DURING THE GULF CRISIS TURKEY HAS ALLOWED THE U.S. TO USE THE INCIRLIK AIRBASE IN ADANA, THE LARGEST OF ITS KIND IN THE MIDDLE EAST, WHERE OVER 20 F-111 AND 58 F-16 FIGHTERS HAVE BEEN DEPLOYED.

UP TO NOW, TURKEY HAS DEPLOYED OVER 100,000 TROOPS ALONG THE BORDER WITH IRAQ TO CONFRONT EIGHT DIVISIONS OF IRAQI TROOPS ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE BORDER.

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#90325h0075 11/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 21) XINHUA - CHEN MINZHANG, CHINESE MINISTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH, CALLED ON MEDICAL DEPARTMENTS AT ALL LEVELS AND MEDICAL SCHOOLS TO PAY MORE ATTENTION TO THE TRAINING OF RURAL MEDICAL PERSONNEL SO AS TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE COUNTRYSIDE.

THE MINISTER, SPEAKING AT A NATIONAL MEDICAL EDUCATION MEETING WHICH CONCLUDED HERE TODAY, SAID THAT THE HEALTH OF CHINA'S 850 MILLION PEASANTS VERY MUCH DEPENDS ON RURAL MEDICAL WORKERS WHOSE PROFESSIONAL QUALITIES MUST BE RAISED.

IN FACT, HE SAID, MANY MEDICAL WORKERS IN THE COUNTRYSIDE, INCLUDING SOME SENIOR DOCTORS, ARE NOT TRAINED BY MEDICAL SCHOOLS.

ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL STATISTICS, IN 1989 THERE WERE IN CHINA 1.25 MILLION DOCTORS PRACTICING WESTERN OR TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINE. ABOUT 772,000 OF THEM SERVE THE URBAN RESIDENTS WHO MAKE UP 20 PERCENT OF THE COUNTRY'S TOTAL POPULATION. THE RURAL RESIDENTS, ACCOUNTING FOR 80 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL POPULATION, HAVE ONLY 484,000 MEDICAL WORKERS, ABOUT ONE-FOURTH OF THE URBAN LEVEL IN TERMS OF THE NUMBER OF DOCTORS FOR EVERY 1,000 PEOPLE.

TO TACKLE THE PROBLEM, THE MINISTER SAID THAT EFFORTS MUST BE MADE TO TRAIN RURAL MEDICAL PERSONNEL WHILE ADOPTING POLICIES TO ENCOURAGE DOCTORS TO WORK IN THE COUNTRYSIDE.

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#90325h0114 11/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

OTTAWA (NOV. 21) XINHUA - ABOUT 6,000 STEEL WORKERS AT CANADA'S THIRD LARGEST STEEL PRODUCER ARE GOING BACK TO WORK TODAY AFTER ENDING A 112-DAY STRIKE.

THE WORKERS AT ALGOMA STEEL CORP. LTD. BASED IN THE SMALL ONTARIO TOWN OF SAULT STE. MARIE VOTED OVERWHELMINGLY TUESDAY IN FAVOR OF A NEW THREE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH THE MANAGEMENT, ENDING THE LONGEST STRIKE IN THE 90-YEAR-OLD COMPANY'S HISTORY.

THE WORKERS, WHO HAVE BEEN OFF THE JOB SINCE AUGUST 1, VOTED 91 PERCENT IN FAVOR OF THE CONTRACT THAT WILL INCREASE HOURLY WAGES BY 2.89 CANADIAN DOLLARS (2.5 U.S.). BEFORE THE STRIKE, STEEL WORKERS AT THE COMPANY EARNED AN AVERAGE OF 16.5 CANADIAN DOLLARS (14 U.S.).

AFTER THREE YEARS OF SOLID PROFITABILITY, THE CANADIAN STEEL INDUSTRY HAS SLUMPED. AND THE LONG STRIKE IS EXPECTED TO HAVE FURTHER HURT THE STEEL COMPANY, WHICH FOR THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR HAS REPORTED A LOSS OF 32 MILLION CANADIAN DOLLARS (27 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.)

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#90325h0141 11/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CARACAS (NOV. 21) XINHUA - VENEZUELAN POLICE HAVE SEIZED A TOTAL OF 30 KILOS OF COCAINE FROM THREE DIFFERENT OPERATIONS AND HAVE ARRESTED THREE SUSPECTS, INCLUDING A MINOR, POLICE SOURCES REPORTED TODAY.

PLICE SAID 25 KILOS OF COCAINE WERE FOUND NEAR THE PANAMERICAN OFFICES OF MAIQUETIA'S SIMON BOLIVAR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, WHICH COCAINE WAS HIDDEN IN THREE SUITCASES PACKAGED INTO ONE-KILO BUNDLES.

IN TWO OTHER OPERATIONS, POLICE OFFICERS SEIZED FIVE KILOS OF COCAINE AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE AIRPORT'S NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS.

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#90325h0150 11/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MUSCAT (NOVEMBER 21) XINHUA - IRAQI PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN HAS CALLED FOR DIALOGUE AS A MEANS FOR REACHING A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF THE GULF CRISIS.

SADDAM'S CALL WAS CONTAINED IN A MESSAGE CONVEYED TODAY TO OMAN'S HEAD OF STATE SULTAN QABOOS BIN SAID BY IRAQI DEPUTY PREMIER AND FOREIGN MINISTER TARIQ AZIZ WHO ARRIVED IN THE OMANI CAPITAL EARLIER TODAY.

THE OMANI SULTAN MET AZIZ THIS EVENING AT THE "SEIB" PALACE IN MUSCAT. NO DETAILS OF THE MEETING WERE DISCLOSED.

EARLIER THIS WEEK, SULTAN QABOOS CALLED FOR REACHING A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE GULF CRISIS ON THE BASIS OF A SERIES OF U.N. RESOLUTIONS CALLING FOR IRAQ'S WITHDRAWAL FROM KUWAIT AND THE RETURN OF THE LEGITIMATE KUWAITI GOVERNMENT TO THE GULF EMIRATE.

WELL-INFORMED SOURCES HERE SAID OMAN IS CURRENTLY MEDIATING BETWEEN THE PARTIES CONCERNED TO REACH A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE GULF CRISIS.

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#90325j0001 11/21/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)
(NOV. 21) JOURNAL GRAPHICS - Summarizing the previous day's television programs transcribed by Journal Graphics, Inc. Full transcripts available by fax or mail.

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Nightline (ABC) November 19, 1990 (Transcript #2476)

Arizona's Costly MLK Day Fumble: Arizona voters rejected a paid legal holiday for Martin Luther King Jr. Now the NFL may move the '93 Super Bowl, the NBA may move the All-Star Game and other consequences may cost the state millions. The yes vote was divided between two confusing propositions so that 65 percent of Arizonans voted for some kind of paid state holiday even though the measure lost, and legislators are trying to get it back on a ballot in 1991 so that the state will not have to suffer the consequences. Forty-seven of 50 states currently honor Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Crossfire (CNN) November 19, 1990 (Transcript #185)

Saddam's Latest Ploy: Former National Security staffer Robert Hunter, former Pentagon official Frank Gaffney and former hostage in Kuwait Manfred Hoffmann discuss Saddam Hussein's offer to free all American hostages by March.

Larry King Live (CNN) November 19, 1990 (Transcript #173)

''Analysis of Hussein's Offer to Release Hostages'' (Mideast analysts Robin Wright and Phebe Marr discuss possible U.S. responses to Saddam Hussein's offer to free foreign hostages, analyze President Bush's actions and project outcomes); ''Tom Selleck'' (discusses Three Men and a Little Lady and his plans for the future).

American Experience (WGBH) November 19, 1990 (Transcript #306)

The Crash of 1929: A look at how a handful of men were in control of the stock market and thus capable of influencing the world economy at a time when ''people were convinced of their God-given right to get rich.''

Good Morning America (ABC) November 19, 1990 (Transcript #1156)

Release of a hostage (Miles Hoffman); Saudi life; Tom Selleck interview; Good Morning, Saudi Arabia (report live from Saudi Arabia); Pat Robertson interview; soldier, phone home; medical support; necessities of life; The Judds interview; chow time; sundown in the desert.

Donahue November 19, 1990 (Transcript #3080)

Visit the Future -- Arizona's Biosphere: In March, eight scientists enter a complex of closed ecosystems called Biosphere 2 and won't come out again for two years. They discuss the technological, environmental and social issues the project raises.

Sally Jessy Raphael November 19, 1990 (Transcript #576)

Deborah Norville Baby Shower: The mother-to-be and co-host of Today is given a surprise baby shower by her sisters, fourth- grade teacher and Sally. She discusses her family, career and the controversy which surrounded her arrival at Today.

Oprah Winfrey Show November 19, 1990 (Transcript #1091)

The New Kids on the Block: Joe McIntyre, Jonathan Knight, Jordan Knight, Donnie Wahlberg, and Danny Wood talk about their personal and professional lives.

Geraldo November 19, 1990 (Transcript #828)

Inside the Brando Tragedy and Life After Sex Scandals: A discussion of sex scandals involving Jessica Hahn and Jim Bakker, Shirley Cumpanas and Christian Brando, and Steve Gobie and Rep. Barney Frank and a look at what those involved are doing today.

Tuesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: The Judds: Swan Song Sally Jessy Raphael: Nasty Neighbors Geraldo: Growing Up in the KKK Oprah Winfrey: Seductive Secretaries/Suspicious Wives Nove: Can the Elephant Be Saved? Frontline: Springfield Goes to War WETA Specials: Antarctica: Frozen Ambitions

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#90325k0070 11/21/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 21) KYODO - TOSHIBA CORP. SAID WEDNESDAY IT HAS PUT ON THE DOMESTIC MARKET A DEVICE THAT CAN STORE AND REPRODUCE LARGE NUMBERS OF

HIGH-DEFINITION TELEVISION (HDTV) PICTURES.

THE TFS-500, WHICH CONTAINS 864 4-MEGABIT DYNAMIC RANDOM ACCESS MEMORY (DRAM) CHIPS, CAN STORE UP TO 72 HDTV PICTURES -- THE LARGEST CAPACITY OF ANY DEVICE OF ITS KIND, ACCORDING TO COMPANY OFFICIALS.

THE PRODUCT ALLOWS STILL PICTURE AND SLOW MOTION PLAYBACK. THE COMPANY EXPECTS IT TO BE USED AS THE CORE OF HDTV IMAGING SYSTEMS IN ART GALLERIES AND MEDICAL APPLICATIONS, AS WELL AS FOR COMPUTER GRAPHICS.

HDTV IS AN ADVANCED TV SYSTEM OFFERING MUCH SHARPER IMAGES AND BETTER SOUND THAN CONVENTIONAL TV. BECAUSE AN HDTV IMAGE CONTAINS FIVE TIMES THE PICTURE ELEMENTS OF A CONVENTIONAL ONE, AN IMMENSE MEMORY CAPACITY IS REQUIRED FOR STORAGE.

THERE IS INCREASING DEMAND FOR LARGER MEMORY STORAGE DEVICES THAT ALLOW REPLAY AND MANIPULATION OF DIGITIZED HDTV IMAGES, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THEY SAID THE TFS-500 IS AVAILABLE IN THREE MODELS. THE CHEAPEST ONE, WITH CAPACITY TO STORE 12 FRAMES, SELLS FOR 9.8 MILLION YEN, WHILE THE MODEL STORING 36 FRAMES IS 13.4 MILLION YEN. THE LARGEST MODEL, WITH A CAPACITY OF 72 FRAMES, COSTS 18.8 MILLION YEN.

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#90325k0094 11/21/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) KYODO - A SENIOR U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE) OFFICIAL PREDICTED WEDNESDAY WORLD OIL PRICES WOULD PROBABLY STABILIZE AROUND 25 DOLLARS A BARREL THROUGHOUT 1991, BARRING WAR IN THE PERSIAN GULF.

AT A PRESS CONFERENCE ON PETROLEUM PRICES AND THE PERSIAN GULF, CALVIN KENT, DIRECTOR OF ENERGY INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION, SAID THAT BY SPRING 1991 WORLD PETROLEUM PRODUCTION SHOULD BE 1 MILLION BARRELS A DAY ABOVE THE PRE-KUWAIT INVASION LEVELS.

HE NEVERTHELESS CAUTIONED WORLD OIL PRODUCTION IS AT MAXIMUM, LEAVING NO ''CUSHION'' OF SPARE CAPACITY IN THE EVENT OF ANOTHER SUPPLY DISRUPTION.

''WE ARE RUNNING AT FULL SPEED WITHOUT A SPARE TIRE,'' KENT TOLD REPORTERS.

THE ENERGY INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION RELEASED A REPORT EXONERATING THE U.S. OIL INDUSTRY AS A WHOLE FROM CLAIMS OF PROFITEERING WHEN THE UNITED NATIONS EMBARGO AGAINST IRAQ LED TO HIGHER WORLD OIL PRICES, AND POINTING TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS AS THE GREATEST BENEFICIARIES OF HIGHER PRICES.

''THERE IS NO STATISTICAL EVIDENCE THAT (ON THE AVERAGE) OIL COMPANIES HAD UNUSUAL PROFITS,'' SAID KENT. HE SAID INDIVIDUAL OIL COMPANY PROFITS WERE MIXED, WITH COMPANIES THAT DEPEND ON FOREIGN OIL SHOWING LOWER PROFITS.

KENT CITED THE PREVIOUS LOW RETAIL OIL PRICES RELATIVE TO THE CRUDE AND SPOT MARKET AS EVIDENCE THAT U.S. OIL COMPANIES HAD ''EXERCISED RESTRAINT.''

''RECENTLY CRUDE PRICES HAVE DROPPED, AND OIL COMPANIES ARE MAINTAINING RETAIL PRICES TO MAKE UP'' FOR EARLIER LOSSES, KENT SAID.

KENT SAID INCREASED DEMAND IMMEDIATELY PUSHED PRICES UP AS NERVOUS CORPORATIONS STOCKPILED PETROLEUM IN ANTICIPATION OF FURTHER SUPPLY DISRUPTIONS. HE CALLED THIS ''PERFECTLY RATIONAL BEHAVIOR.''

''ALL (ACTIVITY IN) THE FUTURES MARKET WAS DONE BY THESE COMPANIES, NOT BY SPECULATIVE INVESTORS,'' KENT SAID. ''THE MARKET WORKED, IT JUST DIDN'T WORK THE WAY WE WANTED IT TO.''

A STATEMENT BY THE CONSUMER GROUP CITIZEN ACTION DISPUTED THE DOE CONCLUSIONS, CALLING THE DOE REPORT ITS ''LATEST EFFORT TO DENY REALITY.''

CITIZEN ACTION SPOKESMAN ED ROTHSCHILD, SPEAKING AFTER DOE'S PRESS CONFERENCE, SAID KENT FAILED TO EXPLAIN HOW COMPANIES HOLDING LARGE PETROLEUM RESERVES BEFORE THE EMBARGO PROFITED ENORMOUSLY FROM THE SUDDEN PRICE INCREASE.

''WALL STREET ANALYSTS ARE FINDING THAT OIL COMPANIES ACCOUNTANTS USED ALL SORTS OF SCHEMES TO UNDERREPORT PROFITS IN ORDER TO AVOID WINDFALL PROFITS TAX '' ED ROTHSCHILD SAID.

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#90325m0002 11/21/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 21) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"Market sentiment toward the dollar seems to have changed just slightly," says ROBERT HATCHER, corporate dealer ar BARCLAYS BANK PLC. But based on underlying fundamentals, "the dollar doesn't have a leg to stand on," says Mr. Hatcher, adding that "lower still seems to be the longer term direction." (WSJ, 11/21)

Given the fundamental bearishness still weighing on the dollar, the Gulf crisis alone isn't a good enough reason to buy dollars, but it's a good enough to want to reduce oversold positions, says KEITH RAPHAEL, second vice president at CHASE MANHATTAN BANK in New York. (WSJ, 11/21)

ERIC MILLER, chief market strategist at DONALDSON LUFKIN & JENRETTE SECURITIES CORP., says that it is likely the Fed will meet investor expectations for

another short-term rate cut before the end of the year, but he also predicts that the looming recession will be more severe than many investors now assume. (WSJ, 11/21)

"The problem here is not the level of interest rates, the problem here is the liquidity," says MONTE GORDON at DREYFUS CORP. "The absence of liquidity in the system is what will constrict the ability of the system to regroup and to grow back up again. You can always lower rates, but if the money isn't available you have a very serious problem. So what you are looking at here is a significantly larger effort on the part of the Fed will be required to ... re-liquify the economy. I don't think we will begin to see the effects of that until sometime around the second-quarter or the middle of 1991. But the [stock] market will begin to move earlier than that. Markets begin to rise during a recession, not after the recession." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/20)

The Treasury yield curve flattens out as investors see encouraging signs in curbing inflation. JEREMY GLUCK, an economist at MITSUBISHI BANK, says, "I think it's telling me people are a little less worried about inflation than they were a few months ago. There is some evidence it's not feeding through the economy like some people feared it would." (WSJ, 11/21)

"Clearly, the commodity markets are telling us that the primary impact of rising oil prices is to exacerbate woes in the economy rather than to promote an acceleration in inflation," says WARD McCARTHY, a managing director at STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. "These [Treasury security] price movements are a leading indicator of what is in store for the economy in the months ahead." (WSJ, 11/21)

THE ECONOMY:

"Consumers are scared to death," says MARTIN REGALIA, an economist for the NATIONAL COUNCIL OF SAVINGS INSTITUTIONS. "They're concerned about their incomes." (NYT, 11/21)

Housing starts have "gone off a cliff," says KENT COLTON, executive vice president of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HOME BUILDERS. Colton says the industry needs help from Washington "to help achieve regulatory balance in order to ease the problems with the credit crunch. Interest rates are beginning to fall and that's positive. We think that will help, but we don't think this problem will be solved until the credit crunch is solved." "We keep thinking it'll bottom out - and it just doesn't," says ROBERT SHEEHAN, economist for the NATIONAL APARTMENT ASSOCIATION. "The numbers are really terrible," says BARBARA ALLEN at KIDDER PEABODY. "How can anyone avoid saying we're in a recession?" ("The Washington Post" and "USA Today" and CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/20 and 11/21)

ROBERT BRUSCA, economist at NIKKO SECURITIES, says the housing start report is "pretty poor" and suggests to him that "the housing dilemma is widening. It

is spreading to parts of the country that so far had been relatively immune to some of the problems we had seen. It's bad news." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/20)

TOM HOLLOWAY, senior economist at the MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION, calls housing starts "a very dismal report." He says, "Consumer confidence has been hit hard by the Mideast crisis, and unemployment has taken its toll as well." ("Investor's Daily", 11/21)

IN WASHINGTON:

"Keep lending to your good customers," TREASURY SECRETARY NICHOLAS BRADY is advising bankers. "Let's not overreact to the economy or the regulators. ... Don't use unrealistically negative scenarios in evaluating loans. ... Stand by your customers." The remarks came Tuesday night in a speech to the ARTHRITIS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA. ("USA Today", 11/21)

HAPPY THANKSGIVING! We at "Market Consensus" wish to take the opportunity to thank our loyal subscribers and friends for their support. Our staff will be taking a much needed break during this Thanksgiving holiday to be with our families. As a result we will not be publishing on Thursday or Friday. We will resume publishing on Monday, November 26.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - JTN Acquisition Corp. announced today that the expiration date, withdrawal rights and proration period of its tender offer to purchase up to 6,177,825 shares of Justin Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: JSTN) common stock for $18 net per share in cash has been extended from midnight, New York City time, Tuesday, Nov. 20, to midnight, New York City time, Thursday, Dec. 20, 1990.

The depositary for the offer has advised that through Nov. 20, 1990, approximately 1,959,791 shares of Justin common stock had been tendered into the JTN offer which, together with the 1,022,175 shares of Justin common stock owned by affiliates of JTN, represent approximately 34.7 percent of Justin's outstanding common stock on a primary basis.

JTN is a newly formed entity organized and led by Perry H. Sutherland of Sutherland Lumber in Kansas City and New York investor Barry S. Rosenstein, on behalf of a group which has been involved in a continuing effort to acquire Justin.

CONTACT: Perry H. Sutherland of Sutherland Lumber, 816-756-3000; or Barry S. Rosenstein, 212-708-3777; or Brian Maddox of Georgeson & Company, 212-440-9862 for JTN Acquisition.

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#90325p9033 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
LONDON (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - B.A.T. Industries today issued the following summary of the company's quarterly report to September 1990:

B.A.T. INDUSTRIES
Nine Months Results
(In millions of pounds sterling except per share amounts)

	1990	1989	Percent Change
Continuing Group turnover (including Farmers' exchanges)	13,846	12,623	+10
Continuing Group trading profit	795	1,274	-38
Pre-tax profit	599	1,072	-44
Earnings per share	12.79p	39.75p	-68

There were improved profit contributions from most businesses in both tobacco and financial services but the Group's performance was distorted by Eagle Star's results in the general business -- as a result, continuing group trading profit was significantly lower at 795 million pounds.

Tobacco: Great resilience demonstrated by trading profit up 13 percent to 703 million pounds -- good profit increases from Brown and Williamson, BATCo, BATCF and Imasco -- higher cigarette sales with further export growth.

Financial services: Further deterioration in operating environment in third quarter -- trading profit 110 million pounds for nine months despite worsening underwriting result and 212 million pounds exceptional investment depreciation at Eagle Star. Higher profits from Farmers, Allied Dunbar and Eagle Star Life. Eagle Star's general business solvency margin at 56 percent, a strong position relative to the industry. Total premium income, including the exchanges, rose to 6 billion pounds.

In a transitional year, the Group was affected by special factors, such as property finance indemnity reserving and the adjustment relating to extraordinary stock market volatility. Neither of these has significantly affected cash flow. However, these two factors, together with unrelieved ACT, have led to unusually high tax charge. Extraordinary profit of 439 million pounds reflects realized gains after tax from the disposal program.

CONTACT: B.A.T Industries public affairs department, in London, 71-222-797-9

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#90325p9043 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
EAST AURORA, NY (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Moog Inc. (AMEX: MOG.A, MOG.B), announced today that net earnings for fiscal 1990 were $6.9 million or $.86

per share, 41 percent above earnings for the previous year of $4.9 million or $.61 per share. The earnings improvement occurred on an 8 percent sales increase. Sales for 1990 were $304 million compared with $282 million for 1989.

Net earnings for the fourth fiscal quarter were $1.2 million or $.15 per share compared with $2.2 million or $.28 per share for the same quarter a year ago. Fiscal 1990 fourth quarter results reflected an after-tax charge of $1.2 million or $.15 per share for anticipated costs to be incurred over the next two years in the redesign and requalification of actuators for the Standard Missile program (Aegis). Robert T. Brady, president, said, "The original design requirements resulted in actuators that were too expensive. The new design will solve future cost problems for us, our customers and the Navy." Had this charge not been taken, fourth quarter earnings would have exceeded those of the same quarter a year ago.

Consolidated net sales of $77.2 million for the quarter were 9 percent above sales of $71.1 million for the fourth quarter of 1989. This increase occurred mostly in the international segment where sales for the quarter rose to $27.6 million from $22.3 million for the same quarter a year ago.

International segment sales for the year increased to $98.1 million from $83.7 million the previous year. This increase was partly due to stronger foreign currencies and also reflected continued sales growth in markets outside of the United States.

Net sales within the U.S. for fiscal 1990 increased by 4 percent to $206 million from $199 million a year earlier. Growth occurred largely in the missile systems and engine controls product lines.

Backlog of new orders on Sept. 30, 1990, was $237 million, up from backlog of $231 million at the end of the previous quarter and $236 million a year ago.

"We are pleased with our year-to-year earnings improvement," Brady said. "Historically, however, our net margins have been above the 2.3 percent on sales reported for fiscal 1990. We expect to improve our profit margins in the future."

Moog Inc. designs, manufactures and markets high-performance control components and systems for a wide range of defense, aerospace and industrial applications.

CONTACT: G. V. Boyler of Moog, 716-652-2000.

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#90325p9045 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOWNINGTOWN, PA. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Chester Valley Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: CVAL) has declared a quarterly cash dividend of

$.07 per share to be paid on Dec. 21, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 3.

This dividend is based on the results of operations for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

According to Ellen Ann Roberts, president and chief executive officer of Chester Valley, the company is able to maintain its current dividend policy because of the bank's continuing strength.

At Sept. 30, Chester Valley, a holding company for its sole subsidiary, First Financial Savings Bank, PaSA, had assets of $153.5 million. The bank is headquartered in Downingtown with branch offices in Exton, Thorndale, Frazer and Westtown, Pa.

CONTACT: Bonnie Laserna of Chester Valley Bancorp, 215-269-9700

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#90325p9046 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard M. (Dick) Stormont's election as the 1991 chairman of the board of the Georgia Hospitality & Travel Association (GHTA) signals new leadership for the statewide lodging, foodservice and travel organization responsible for industry lobbying and providing direction to Georgia's hospitality and travel-related businesses.

Stormont, a founding member of GHTA, views the association as a solid, effective organization for stimulating positive growth. "We are in the perfect position to dovetail our services and resources with other major tourism-related organizations to establish and cement Georgia's and Atlanta's premier position as the nation's travel and tourism arena.

"We are on the verge of tremendous opportunity for growth in the hospitality industry," said Stormont. "But if we are to remain Georgia's leading industry during this economically challenging and transitional period, it is imperative that we not allow the euphoria of the Olympics and the Super Bowl lull us into complacency.

"Our mandate is to become the world-class city that others expect and GHTA has an important obligation to its members and the state of Georgia in achieving that level of success."

Stormont brings more than 35 years of hotel management experience, including 22 years with the Marriott Corp., to his new position. He is founder, president and chief executive officer of The Stormont Companies Inc. and a director of six tourist and business-related organizations.

The Stormont Companies, established in 1984, is an Atlanta-based development

and management group specializing in high quality hotels and resorts. Current operations include properties in Georgia, Florida and Virginia.

GHTA, the only trade group exclusively representing the interests of the hospitality and travel industry statewide, provides members a broad range of services in governmental affairs, education and information resources and communication. The group was formed in 1977 by the merger of five associations: the Georgia Hotel/Motel Association, the Georgia Restaurant Association, the Atlanta Hotel/Motel Association, the Atlanta Restaurant Association and the Georgia Travel Commission.

CONTACT: Mary Dillon of Fitzgerald & Co., 404-239-0468, for The Stormont Companies

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#90325p9049 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, Ore. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - WTD Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: WTDI) reported a net loss of $8.8 million, or $1.42 per share, for the quarter ended Oct. 31, compared with net income of $2.2 million, or 33 cents per share, for the same period in 1989. Second quarter sales were $73.1 million, down 40 percent from the comparable period last year. The decrease in sales was attributable to a combination of lower production and lower product prices.

For the six months ended Oct. 31, the net loss was $16.1 million, or $2.59 per share, compared to net income of $8.6 million, or $1.31 per share, during the same period last year. Sales for the six months ended Oct. 31 were $170.9 million, compared to $242.1 million during the same period last year.

"As expected, the poor lumber market and depressed industry-wide conditions have continued. We are following our plan, which includes temporarily curtailing operations when they do not produce results exceeding shutdown costs, improving operational efficiencies at our mills, reducing long-term debt, and operating for cash flow," said WTD's President Bruce L. Engel.

"Despite the loss for the first six months, net cash flow from operations was a positive $3.5 million. Cash flow from operations, including reductions in inventories, accounts receivable and timber-related assets as well as receipt of tax refunds allowed the company to reduce its short and long-term debt balances by $6.5 million during the first six months and continue its capital improvements program.

We expect to receive additional cash from tax refunds, sales of harvested timberland, and other sources during the next several months. We remain confident that we have the resources and operational plan to carry us through these adverse times," he stated.

"Additionally, we continue to reduce corporate overhead and match management

levels to operational activity. Our selling, general and administrative expense for the six months ended Oct. 31 was approximately 27 percent lower than the same period last year. In support of its overhead reduction program, officers of WTD have agreed to a 10 percent reduction in base salaries until profitability is restored. In addition, Andrew Franklin, executive vice president-operations, and Tore Steen, executive vice president-finance, have agreed to resign. These officers' duties will be allocated to existing WTD personnel," continued Engel.

"As we look ahead, we see several positive developments. First, log prices continue to fall from their peak in August, with log costs for our mills declining steadily since mid-September. Second, lumber production in the western United States has fallen as a result of production curtailments. According to the Western Wood Products Association, western lumber production fell 14 percent for the months from June through September compared to the same period last year. Western lumber production in October is expected to be more than 20 percent below last year's level. Reduced lumber production should provide greater stability to the depressed lumber market as well as continue downward pressure on log prices. Third, chip and by-product prices are expected to continue to increase in our third quarter," Engel stated.

"We believe the cyclical supply and demand problem facing lumber producers will correct itself, as it has historically. Profitability within the industry should be restored by the combination of lower log costs, less production and higher product prices," Engel concluded.

WTD INDUSTRIES INC.
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months		Six Months	
Ended Oct. 31:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$73,074,000	$121,775,000	$170,868,000	$242,068,000
Operating income (loss)	(10,303,000)	6,237,000	(18,368,000)	19,301,000
Income (loss) before taxes	(13,390,000)	3,610,000	(24,785,000)	13,858,000
Provision for income taxes (benefit)	(4,573,000)	1,372,000	(8,675,000)	5,270,000
Net income (loss)	$(8,817,000)	$ 2,238,000	$(16,110,000)	$ 8,588,000
Net income (loss) per common share	$ (1.42)	$ 0.33	$ (2.59)	$ 1.31

PRODUCTION HIGHLIGHTS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months	Six Months

Ended Oct. 31:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Lumber (thousand board feet)	215,700	327,600	510,200	644,100
Veneer (thousand square feet, 3/8" basis)	15,200	38,200	37,900	80,700
Plywood (thousand square feet, 3/8" basis)	17,600	30,300	40,500	56,700
Chips (bone dry units)	121,200	195,000	279,500	384,700

CONTACT: Bruce Davis of WTD Industries Inc., 503-246-3440.

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#90325p9056 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILPITAS, Calif. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Komag Inc. (NASDAQ: KMAG), the leading independent supplier of sputtered thin-film metallic disks for data storage applications, today announced that it is conducting negotiations with a third party for the acquisition of laboratory equipment and rights to certain patents and technical know-how for the development and manufacture of magnetic recording thin-film heads. If this transaction is completed, Komag plans to begin a research and development program to determine the feasibility of participation in the market for high quality thin-film heads.

"We are excited about the prospects of developing expertise and gaining new knowledge in the data storage components industry," stated Stephen C. Johnson, Komag Inc.'s president and chief executive officer. "We see a large benefit from this R&D project for our company because of the interdependency in a disk drive between our existing media products and thin-film heads," explained Johnson.

"We intend to pattern our head operations after our erasable, magneto-optics media program. Our two-year-old, internally funded magneto-optics media program has recently begun the transition from research to pilot production. Following this type of approach and assuming completion of the proposed transaction, Komag will commit prudent levels of capital through 1991 to acquire and advance its magnetic recording head efforts," commented Johnson. As a result of this new program, the company also anticipates that its research and development budget would increase as a percentage of sales from 6.5 percent in the third quarter of 1990 to about 8 percent during 1991. "We expect to conclude this acquisition of equipment and technology before the end of the year," noted Johnson.

Komag Inc. currently develops, manufactures and markets sputtered thin-film metallic disks for use in high-capacity, high-performance Winchester disk drives. Komag is the largest independent supplier of these disks to independent disk drive manufacturers and computer system manufacturers which build their own disk drives. Komag applies a recording layer only microinches thin onto a polished aluminum substrate using a sputtered or vacuum deposition technique similar to the way the semiconductor industry coats wafers with thin

metallic films. Founded in 1983, the company maintains 360,000 square feet of manufacturing and administrative space in California. The company also manufactures and sells products through a joint venture, Asahi Komag Co., Ltd. which is among the top three media producers in Japan. Komag employs 1,500 people. The company is traded on the NASDAQ over-the-counter market under the symbol KMAG.

CONTACT: David H. Allen or William L. Potts, Jr., of Komag Inc., 408-946-2300.

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#90325p9058 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PASADENA, CA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Countrywide Credit Industries Inc. (NYSE: CCR) today announced that the company's board of directors declared a cash dividend of $0.5937 per depository convertible preferred share, each representing 1/10 share of the company's $23.75 convertible preferred stock, for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990. The cash dividend is payable Dec 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

Countrywide Credit Industries Inc. is engaged primarily in the mortgage lending business, originating, selling and servicing residential mortgage loans. Countrywide produces loans through four divisions.

Its retail division operates a nationwide network of 90 offices serving real estate brokers and homebuyers. Its correspondent division serves regional savings and loans, commercial banks, credit unions, and smaller mortgage bankers in 50 states.

Its wholesale division funds loans for pre-approved mortgage brokers nationwide and the consumer division makes mortgage loans directly to individual homeowners across the country via telephone and by mail.

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#90325p9060 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEARWATER, FL (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Tech Data Corporation (NASDAQ: TECD) said today that it has completed a two-year $55-million revolving credit agreement with NCNB National Bank, as agent, to replace its existing revolving loan.

A. Timothy Godwin, Tech Data senior vice president and chief financial officer said the agreement will give the company a total credit line of $60 million when combined with its existing $5-million Canadian line of credit.

Included with NCNB in the group of lenders are Barnett Bank, National Bank of

Detroit and The Royal Bank of Canada, Godwin said. Todd Lankford, senior vice president of NCNB, said, "We're pleased to be able to help provide the financial resources for Tech Data's growth."

Godwin said the new agreement has terms similar to past credit agreements. Despite the general trend of the economy, Godwin said, "Tech Data is expecting annual sales growth in the 20- to 25-percent range over the next two years."

Tech Data distributes over 4,000 microcomputer-related software and hardware products through 12 distribution centers throughout the United States and Canada. The company has an active customer base of over 25,000 value-added resellers and computer retailers.

CONTACT: A. Timothy Godwin, senior vice president and chief financial officer of Tech Data Corporation, 813-539-7429; or Investor Relations Consultants, Inc., 813-796-1452, for Tech Data Corporation.

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#90325p9062 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - National Computer Systems, Inc. (NCS) (NASDAQ: NLCS) today reported higher revenues and profits in the third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, compared with the same period last year.

Revenues were $85,170,000, compared with $75,174,000 reported in 1989's third quarter, a 13 percent increase. Income from operations was $7,143,000, significantly higher than the $1,925,000 reported a year earlier. Net income and primary earnings per share were $3,487,000 and $.22, respectively, in the third quarter of 1990, compared with $282,000 and $.02 in 1989.

NCS recorded a one-time charge to operations of $4.6 million or approximately $.18 per share in the third quarter of 1989, related to discontinuation of a software development project.

Nine month revenues increased 12 percent to $230,472,000 compared with $205,834,000 in 1989. Income from operations grew 105 percent to $19,596,000, compared with $9,580,000 a year ago. Net income and primary earnings per share were $8,300,000 and $.52 for the first nine months of 1990, compared with $3,417,000 and $.21 in 1989.

During the first three quarters of 1989, NCS recorded a total charge to operations of $6.2 million or $.24 per share for the discontinuance of two software projects.

Charles W. Oswald, National Computer Systems' chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We began this year with specific goals. We wanted to reduce our debt and manage our balance sheet better, while becoming increasingly focused on our core businesses. In fact, we reduced debt by almost $23 million

through the third quarter and I am pleased to report sound progress toward the other goals as well."

Oswald also stated, "Looking ahead to the fourth quarter, we expect continued good demand for our products and services, further debt reduction, and continued improvement in our revenues and profits." National Computer Systems, Inc. provides information systems and services to education, commercial and financial markets.

CONTACT: Adrienne Tietz of National Computer Systems, (612) 829-3033.

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#90325p9064 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGH POINT, NC (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Culp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CULP) today reported a 41 percent gain in earnings per share for its second fiscal quarter. The higher earnings in the latest period, combined with the sharp increase in income in the first quarter, led to a 56 percent advance in earnings per share for the first half of the company's 1991 fiscal year.

For the three months ended October 28, 1990, Culp reported net income of $1,076,000, up from $753,000 in the year-earlier period. Earnings totaled $0.24 per share in the second quarter compared with $0.17 per share a year ago. Net sales for the quarter amounted to $46,725,000 versus $43,864,000 in the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

The second quarter results brought net income for the first half to $1,726,000 up from $1,123,000 in the year-earlier period. Earnings per share for the first six months totaled $0.39 versus $0.25 a year ago. Net sales for the first half were $88,443,000, up from $83,074,000 in the first half of fiscal 1990.

Robert G. Culp, III, chief executive officer, said, "As we had anticipated, the increase in sales during the second quarter resulted in a sharp improvement in the company's profitability. Our ongoing modernization program as well as continuing actions to contain operating costs have each contributed to the sound performance in both sales and earnings thus far in fiscal 1991."

Culp indicated that although sales of the company's upholstery fabrics remained generally favorable throughout the second quarter, a slowing in incoming orders has recently become apparent.

He remarked, "Our backlogs have now declined in both upholstery fabrics and mattress ticking, reflecting the prevailing softness in demand in the home furnishings industry. This trend adds a note of caution to our outlook for Culp's results over the remainder of this fiscal year."

Culp said, "Fiscal 1991 as a whole should still represent a year of meaningful

progress for the company. We are particularly pleased with the major initiatives underway to enhance Culp's competitive position in our target markets.

"We are benefiting importantly from an increased emphasis on exports and sales to specialty fabric markets and are confident about the opportunity to broaden the company's customer base further. Supporting this effort is Culp's sound financial position, including the availability of sufficient internally generated cash to fund our modernization projects."

Culp, Inc. is a leading manufacturer and marketer of fabrics for the furniture bedding, recreational vehicle, and institutional furnishings markets. The company's common shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CULP.

CONTACT: Frank Saxon, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Culp, Inc., (919) 888-6266.

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#90325p9068 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Coral Cos. Inc. (NASDAQ: COCI) announced today a joint project between Unisys and Coral, a Unisys Value Added Reseller Council member. Unisys has retained Coral's outbound telemarketing department to generate leads for telemarketing seminar. The seminar will couple information from experts in the telemarketing industry with information on Coral's Profile 2000 software and Unisys 6000 series hardware platform. The first seminar will take place in Denver Nov. 29, 1990. A roll out of the program will then take place first in the United States and then throughout the European community.

Paul Lionti, president and CEO of Coral Cos. said "Our telemarketing department will generate short term income through lead generation as well as long range income through the sale of a hardware and software business solution to the telemarketing industry. We will continue to rapidly develop this department in order to service our growing customer base."

Coral Cos., based in Denver, specializes in the global marketing of hardware and software business solutions to companies involved in distribution, direct marketing and telephone sales, including catalog and fulfillment companies. Currently, it offers two principal products, Profile 90 and Profile 2000, as turnkey packages consisting of software, hardware and related consulting and support services.

CONTACT: Paul M. Lionti of Coral Cos. Inc., 303-820-3000.

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#90325p9069 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The editors of Motor Trend magazine today announced that the Mazda Navajo, which has been on sale for less than 10 weeks, has been named the 1991 Motor Trend "Truck of the Year."

To win the award, the Mazda Navajo had to survive a rigorous testing schedule involving a wide variety of road conditions and performance tests. After the testing the Navajo had outscored the other five pickup trucks and sport utility vehicles in the competition.

Of the winning Navajo, the editors of Motor Trend said, "Priced at $17,560, the Navajo enjoys a significant cost advantage over virtually all of its comparably equipped competitors. Despite this key edge, it boasts an impressive array of standard features. Factor in Mazda's three-year, 50,000-mile zero-deductible limited warranty and you can see why the Navajo emerged as the top pick."

In accepting the award, Clark J. Vitulli, chief operating officer for Mazda Motor of America Inc., said, "We are very proud that Motor Trend has chosen to name the Mazda Navajo as its 1991 'Truck of the Year.' Simply put, Mazda is on a roll, and this is just the latest evidence of that fact. Our 1991 product line features a wide range of cars and trucks which have not only boosted our sales to record levels, but have also garnered the praise of the industry's critics and experts alike. We are pleased that Motor Trend has seen the same level of excellence in the Navajo that we felt was there."

The 1991 Mazda Navajo, which went on sale in mid-September, is designed to net new standards for two-door sport utility vehicles in terms of interior room, ride comfort and both highway and off-highway performance. The Navajo is powered by a potent 4.0-liter V-6 engine. A Touch-Drive pushbutton shift-on-the-fly four-wheel drive system is standard, as is an impressive list of standard comfort and convenience features. Two optional Value Packs add even more equipment at a substantial savings.

The full story on the Motor Trend "Truck of the Year" is featured in the January 1991 issue, which goes on sale Dec. 11.

CONTACT: Fred Aikins of Mazda Motor of America, 800-248-0459, or 800-346-2286 (California).

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#90325p9071 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BILLERICA, MA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Ault Incorporated (NASDAQ: AULT) and Unitrode Corporation (NYSE: UTR) today jointly announced that they have terminated the previously announced agreement whereby Ault was to purchase the business and assets of Power General Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Unitrode.

Ultimately, financing was not available to complete the transaction due to the current business and banking climate, particularly as it affects smaller companies. Unitrode will continue to operate the Canton, Mass.-based manufacturer of switching power supplies and DC/DC converters.

In addition to Power General's products, Unitrode also manufactures discrete semiconductors, power management integrated circuits, switching power supplies and data conversion products. Its products are sold throughout the world for a variety of defense/aerospace, industrial, computer/telecommunications, data processing, and consumer applications.

Ault, Incorporated of Minneapolis, is a leading manufacturer of external power supplies, transformers, and battery chargers with operations in Minnesota and Korea.

CONTACT: Carlos Montague, vice president and CFO of Ault, 612-493-1920, or S. Kelley MacDonald of Unitrode, 508-670-9706.

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#90325p9072 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVINGSTON, NJ (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The CIT Group, Inc. announced today that it has agreed to acquire the business and most of the loan assets of First Fidelity Bancorporation's commercial finance subsidiary, Fidelcor Business Credit Corp. (FBCC).

According to the terms of the agreement, CIT will acquire in excess of $500 million in assets. FBCC is an asset-based lender, with operating offices in New York, Chicago, and Los Angeles, as well as six regional loan production offices.

It is engaged in the business of providing secured loans to middle market companies for working capital, debt restructuring, refinancing, and other related purposes. FBCC's average loan size is $3 million.

Albert R. Gamper, Jr., CIT's president and chief executive officer, said, "This strategic purchase of a national lender in middle market commercial financing gives us immediate entry and significant presence in a business segment that we would otherwise have found difficult to penetrate. Because FBCC has such a strong marketing presence, it will retain a separate identity within the CIT business structure as a result of this acquisition."

Gamper continued, "The president of the new CIT unit will be Drew Neidorf, the current head of FBCC and a veteran of 15 years in the business. We anticipate retaining the services of the very talented people who have made FBCC a success. With their continued contributions, we expect strong market penetration and growth for the new business."

Tony Terracciano, First Fidelity Bancorporation chairman and chief executive officer, said: "FBCC is a profitable, well-managed company. Its business simply was inconsistent with our focus on consolidating and building our regional consumer and commercial banking businesses in our primary New Jersey and Pennsylvania markets." The acquisition is subject to customary closing conditions, including regulatory approvals.

The CIT Group is a $11 billion company providing businesses in a variety of industries with flexible funding alternatives and financial advisory services. Founded in 1908, the company has a leadership position in secured business lending for corporations, manufacturers and dealers.

The CIT Group is owned by Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank Limited of Japan, the world's largest financial institution, and Manufacturers Hanover Corporation, one of the largest U.S. bank holding companies.

First Fidelity Bancorporation, with more than 500 offices in New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania and $29 billion in assets, is among the 25 largest banking companies in the country.

CONTACT: Lawrence J. Everling of The CIT Group, (201) 740-5239.

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TORONTO (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of LAC Minerals Ltd. (NYSE: LAC) today announced the payment of the second interim dividend of Cdn.$0.11 per share (or U.S. dollar equivalent to U.S. shareholders) on the outstanding common shares of the company. The dividend will be payable on Dec. 19, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 6, 1990.

CONTACT: Donald S. Robson, vice president-finance of LAC Minerals, 416-865-0722

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#90325p9075 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Edisto Resources Corporation (AMEX: EDS) announced today that it has been informed by Hall-Houston Oil Company (Hall-Houston) that Hall-Houston has withdrawn its proposed initial public offering of common stock. Edisto and Hall-Houston each currently own a 47.3 percent general partner interest in Hall-Houston Offshore (Offshore), a Texas general partnership engaged in oil and gas exploration and development activities in the Gulf of Mexico.

Edisto and Hall-Houston plan to continue to participate as general partners in Offshore until March 1991, when the partnership will be dissolved. At that

time, Hall-Houston may elect to make an additional capital contribution to Offshore in order to balance its ownership interest with Edisto as required by the Offshore partnership agreement, or the ownership interests will automatically be adjusted to be pro rata to the redetermined initial contributions by Hall-Houston and Edisto. Upon dissolution, Edisto would receive an undivided interest in its pro rata share of all assets and liabilities of Offshore.

James R. McNab, Jr., chairman of the board of Edisto, stated: "The uncertainties of the current situation in the Middle East, together with the uncertainties regarding the state of the U. S. economy, have combined to make this a very difficult time for a company to attempt to raise capital in the public markets. Despite the inability of Hall- Houston to consummate its public offering, Edisto expects to continue to be an active participant in exploration and development in the Gulf of Mexico. Our association with Hall-Houston has been successful and we look forward to continued dealings with Hall-Houston in the future.

Edisto Resources Corporation's consolidated activities include the production of oil and gas, the exploration and development of oil and gas reserves and natural gas marketing and transportation activities.

CONTACT: Rhonda L. Wright, 214-880-9330, or Margaret C. Bell, senior vice president, 214-880-9341, both of Edisto.

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#90325p9077 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - American Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: ARB) today announced operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company recorded net loss of $4.7 million, or 73 cents per share, on revenues of $1.0 million, compared with net income of $128,000, or 2 cents per share, on revenues of $2.7 million in the third quarter of the prior year. Equity in loss of investees, a non-cash item, reduced revenues $2.8 million and $2.0 million in the third quarter of 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Several factors contributed to the decline in financial results for 1990's third quarter compared with the third quarter of 1989. These included the decline in interest income of $2.2 million primarily because the company foreclosed four loans and changed the status of six others to nonaccruing. Revenue from property operations increased $1.1 million and property operations expenses and depreciation increased $1.3 million because the company acquired through foreclosure six properties since Sept. 30, 1989. Interest expense increased $1.8 million primarily because of increased bank borrowing. The company also had a third-quarter gain on sale of properties of

$661,000, or 10 cents per share, compared with a $84,000, or 1 cent per share, gain on sale of properties in the third quarter of 1989.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company recorded a net loss of $6.9 million, or $1.09 per share, on revenues of $7.7 million, compared with net income of $7.6 million, or 80 cents per share, on revenues of $14.2 million in the third quarter of 1989.

"As expected, American Realty's third-quarter financials reflect the problems certain assets in the portfolio are experiencing," said a spokesperson for the company. "Our directors and officers are confident of the stability and long-term prospects of the company, despite the difficult real estate environment, and have affirmed this belief through open-market stock purchases." The company's advisor and its affiliates purchased over 500,000 shares in the third quarter of 1990 and expect to continue open-market and negotiated purchases as conditions warrant.

American Realty Trust, Inc. is a real estate investment trust which primarily invests in mortgage loans, real estate and real estate-related entities.

CONTACT: Jean Krone Bono, investor relations of American Realty, 214-692-4800.

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#90325p9078 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Geonex Corporation (NASDAQ: GEOX) has announced that its board has authorized the company to repurchase up to 50,000 shares of its common stock. Geonex expects that any repurchases will be through open market transactions or negotiated transactions.

Geonex Corporation, based in St. Petersburg, Fla., is the nation's largest geo-information company. Using the most advanced technology, Geonex provides mapping and resource interpretation services to telephone, electric and gas utilities, local, state and federal government agencies and a variety of commercial industries.

Geonex now has overall competence in mapping for agriculture and forestry as well as oil, gas and mineral exploration. In the environmental and hazardous waste area, Geonex provides the following services through two units: analysis and testing services; and environmental hazardous waste site investigation and data base management services.

CONTACT: Sandy McKeever of Geonex Corporation, 813-823-3300.

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#90325p9080 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - British Steel plc (NYSE: BST) confirmed today

that it has reached an agreement in principle with the other three shareholders - Tippins International, O'Neal Steel, and American Cast Iron Pipe Company - to acquire all their equity and other interests in Tuscaloosa Steel Corporation, a plate and hot strip producer located in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Tuscaloosa was formed as a joint venture among these four companies in 1984. Tippins, the majority shareholder, designed and constructed its 112-inch rolling mill. British Steel is the primary supplier of semi-finished slabs to the mill and already owns 9.6 percent of Tuscaloosa's equity. O'Neal and American Cast Iron Pipe Company are both minority shareholders and purchase finished products from the mill.

Tuscaloosa's mill has an operating capacity in the range of 600,000 tons per year. Its annual sales are approximately $150 million (80 million pounds) and its net asset value is about $21 million (11 million pounds).

The new structure is designed to secure Tuscaloosa's future and to enable it to develop profitably in marketing hot rolled and cut plate and the toll-rolling of stainless steel slab into hot band.

Completion of the transaction is subject to execution of definitive agreements following a normal due diligence inquiry and receipt of necessary regulatory approvals and other consents.

CONTACT: John Bowden of British Steel plc, 071-735-7654.

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#90325p9084 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

THE HAGUE, NETHERLANDS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Net profit of Nationale-Nederlanden N.V., leading international insurer headquartered in the Netherlands, grew slightly in the third quarter of 1990 compared with the same period in 1989.

However, for the first nine months of the year, there was a decline in profit from $351.2 million to $306.0 million. This was mainly due to non-life losses reported in the first half year caused by winter storms in northwest Europe, non-life underwriting losses in the London market and disappointing development in non-life operations in North America.

Life insurance profits increased from $162.7 million to $196.3 million for the first three quarters of this year due primarily to operations in the Netherlands. Profits from professional reinsurance increased to $14.5 million from $12.1 million and investments and other activities moved upward to $255.2 million from $237.7 million.

As a result of a profit of $20.8 million for the third quarter of 1990, the non-life loss of $76.8 million reported for the first half year was reduced to

$56.0 million for the first nine months of 1990. The first nine months of 1989 closed with a profit of $81.4 million.

On the basis of these results, the Executive Board maintains its previously stated expectation of net profit of approximately $510 million for the year 1990 vs. $552 million for 1989. The decrease allows for $39.3 million after tax in claims resulting from the winter storms.

Revenue declined by two percent to $9,523 million. If currency exchange rates against the Dutch guilder had remained the same from the 1989 level, revenue would have increased by four percent.

On that exchange rate basis revenue would have increased in all major activities and in all geographic areas except for life insurance operations in Australia. As a result of lower taxes, the decline in net profit was lower than that in profit before tax.

Profit per share amounted to $2.03 with 150.5 million shares outstanding on Sept. 30. After an adjustment for an increase in the number of shares, profit per share for the first nine months of 1989 was $2.43.

Total assets for Nationale-Nederlanden worldwide increased from $52,643 million to $53,609 million. Capital and surplus has decreased from $5,519 million to $4,885 million since Jan. 1. The principal cause for this is the depreciation of the stock portfolio due to lower market prices. This also resulted in a lower provision for deferred tax liabilities.

CONTACT: Willem Badon Ghijben, secretary to the executive board, 31-70-358-12-10, Jan Buitendijk, general manager accounting and economic affairs, 31-70-358-12-20, Joep Jurgens, vice president, Nationale-Nederlanden North America Corp., (202) 393-2001.

-30- 2984

#90325p9086 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Health & Leisure, Inc. announces that it and its wholly owned subsidiary, AmTele, Inc., have entered into an agreement in principle with Donald S. Kaplan of Los Angeles for AmTele and Kaplan, or an entity formed by him, to form a joint venture for the marketing of long distance telephone services.

The transaction contemplates that AmTele, which has been marketing a long distance telephone service of AT&T since February 1990, will contribute its business to the venture for a 50 percent interest in the venture, and Kaplan will provide certain funding for a 50 percent interest.

The transaction is subject to the parties negotiating and entering into a definitive agreement, and to a number of other conditions. There can be no

assurance that the transaction will be consummated. The parties are working toward satisfying the conditions to completion of the transaction.

CONTACT: Robert M. Feldman, president of Health & Leisure, Inc., (614) 228-2225.

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#90325p9087 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

FINDLAY, OH (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - OHM Corporation (NYSE: OHM) today announced that Ivan W. Gorr, chairman and chief executive officer of Cooper Tire and Rubber Company, was selected a director of the company during action taken at a regular scheduled meeting of its board of directors held Thursday, November 15.

Gorr assumed his present responsibilities for the Findlay-based Cooper Tire and Rubber Company in Nov. 1989, having been president and chief operating officer since 1982. Previously, he served as executive vice president as well as treasurer and chief financial officer. Gorr joined Cooper Tire in 1972 as controller and was previously with the auditing firm, Arthur Young & Company.

A member of the board of directors of the United States Chamber of Commerce, Gorr is also a director of Amcast Industrial Corporation and The Fifth Third Bank of Toledo.

OHM Corporation is a leading environmental services firm with more than 35 offices nationwide and in Canada. The company provides a broad range of environmental services and specializes in the on-site remediation of hazardous waste for a broad base of industrial and government clients on both a planned and emergency basis.

CONTACT: Cheryl B. Rectorschek of OHM, 419-424-4929.

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#90325p9089 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CONCORD, NC (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - First Charter Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: FCTR), Concord, North Carolina, the holding company for First Charter National Bank, has declared a dividend of $.09 per share to be paid on January 17, 1991 to shareholders of record on December 21, 1990.

First Charter Corporation is traded on the NASDAQ exchange under the symbol FCTR.

CONTACT: Robert O. Bratton of First Charter Corporation, 704-786-3300.

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#90325p9095 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, VA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - GSTAR IV, GTE Spacenet's seventh communications satellite, was launched successfully last night by Arianespace from Kourou, French Guiana, at 6:11 p.m. EST.

"This is another important milestone for GTE Spacenet as we complete the deployment of our first generation of SPACENET(R) and GSTAR(R) satellites," said C.J. Waylan, GTE Spacenet president. "This success is important to GTE Spacenet, Arianespace and the entire industry."

Turner Broadcasting has contracted for three transponders on GSTAR IV for program transmission and satellite news-gathering services.

The satellite was placed into an elliptical transfer orbit approximately 150 miles from earth at perigee and 22,300 miles at apogee. All systems on-board the satellite were reported to be functioning normally.

GSTAR IV joins six other GTE satellites currently in operation and serving the domestic marketplace. The company's satellite system, one of the largest and most advanced in the world, now consists of three dual-band (C- and Ku-Band) SPACENET and three exclusively Ku-Band GSTAR satellites.

Headquartered here, GTE Spacenet is a world leader in satellite communications with more than two decades of experience in the provision of telecommunications services and systems to businesses, news organizations and government agencies worldwide.

GTE subsidiaries operate in 46 states and 41 countries, with combined revenues and sales of $17.4 billion and net income of $1.4 billion in 1989.

GTE is a leader in its three core businesses -- telecommunications, lighting and precision materials -- providing products and services worldwide.

CONTACT: Jean W. Davis, 703-848-1125 or (evenings) 301-839-1412, Renee Ayer, 703-848-1112 or (evenings) 703-768-5899, or (in Washington) Julia Spicer, 202-463-5206 or (evenings) 202-797-0715, all of GTE.

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#90325p9097 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Gantos, Inc. (NASDAQ: GTOS) today announced a net loss for the third quarter ended Nov. 3, 1990, of $2.4 million or $0.45 per share. This compares to net income of $2.4 million or $0.45 per share in the third quarter of fiscal 1989.

Net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 were $60.0 million, an increase of 1 percent over sales for the third quarter last year. Sales for stores in operation throughout both periods decreased 15 percent. The company's "Sale

for All Seasons" held this year in the second quarter, was held in the third quarter last year.

For the 39 weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990, Gantos announced a net loss of $5.8 million, or $1.09 per share compared with net income of $3.8 million or $0.79 per share for the same period of fiscal 1989.

Net sales for the 39 weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990 were $182.2 million, an increase of 12 percent over sales for the same period of fiscal 1989. Sales for stores open throughout both periods decreased 3 percent.

Commenting on the third quarter's results, Gantos President and Chief Executive Officer L. Douglas Gantos said, "The third quarter was a difficult period for retailers. As expected, the unsettled retail environment continued in the third quarter, which caused us to continue promotional activities that adversely affected our results. We have now taken several steps to return Gantos to profitability in fiscal 1991.

"First, our inventories are much leaner than they have been, which should help eliminate the need for excessive promotions. Second, we have lowered the price points of our merchandise, consistent with the current expectations of our customers. Third, we are continuing to reduce costs at all levels of the organization, especially selling, general and administrative expenses. Finally, we have reduced our expansion plans at least for fiscal 1991, which will allow us to conserve cash and strengthen our balance sheet.

Gantos opened 15 new stores during the third quarter and has opened 31 stores for the year. The company has closed three stores thus far in fiscal 1990.

Gantos, Inc. is a leading retailer of quality women's apparel. The company currently operates 167 stores in 25 states.

CONTACT: Michael G. Arneth of Gantos, 616-940-8744

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#90325p9098 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BWI AIRPORT, MD (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Just in time for holiday shopping. BWI Airport, Bloomingdale's and Marriott/Host joined together today to commemorate the official opening of BWI's first signature shop, Bloomie's Express.

Bloomies, a brightly lit 874-square-foot, state-of-the-art store, is located on the upper level of the terminal, just off the north passenger terminal lounge.

Officiating at the ceremony was Marriott's Senior Vice President for Merchandising John Edmundson, along with Michael Lofton, deputy secretary for

the state's Department of Economic and Employment Development and Deputy Transportation Secretary Stephen Zentz.

"BWI sets a high standard of service for its travelers," said Lofton. "And they form partnerships with businesses like Marriott/Host, who will work with them to offer the best for traveling public."

Maryland Aviation Administrator Ted Mathison noted that customers will appreciate the diversity that Marriott/Host is offering, and the quality of the products. "We are very pleased to offer the Bloomie's service to the traveling public," he said. Tee shirts, caps, mugs, and novelty items are among an array of products highlighted by the famous Bloomie's signature.

"It is very appropriate to open the store today," said Mathison. "This is the heaviest day of the year for passenger traffic with over 44,000 passengers expected to pass through the terminal today!"

CONTACT: Carol T. Riley of Maryland Aviation Administration, (301) 859-7062.

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#90325p9100 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (Conrail) (NYSE: CRR) announced today that its board of directors declared a $0.40 per share cash dividend, payable Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record Nov. 30.

CONTACT: Robert L. Libkind or David Neurohr of Conrail, 215-977-4594.

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#90325p9101 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, NJ (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - SatCom C-1, the latest of GE Americom's Advanced SatCom satellites, was successfully launched Nov. 20, 1990. SatCom C-1 will replace SatCom 1R, the industry's first in-orbit protection satellite. C-1 will undergo approximately six weeks of technical check-out, before transition of SatCom 1R programming to C-1.

"With this tenth successful satellite launch, GE Americom maintains its leadership position in providing satellite delivery for entertainment services in the United States," said Eugene F. Murphy, senior vice president, General Electric Company (NYSE: GE).

According to W. Neil Bauer, senior vice president for GE Americom, "The C-1 neighborhood, with The Family Channel (West) and the Prime Sports family of affiliated regional sports networks as our anchor tenants, features a strong base of popular cable networks." Bauer noted that SatCom 1R is sold out and all customers will continue service on SatCom C-1.

Regional sports networks on SatCom C-1 will include: the Sunshine Network (Florida), Home Sports Entertainment, Prime Sports Network-Rocky Mountain, Pacific Sports Network, Prime Sports Northwest, Prime Ticket and SportsChannel Los Angeles. SatCom C-1 will also carry the six Netlink distant signal offerings: WGN-TV, KUSA-TV, KCNC-TV, KMGH-TV, KWGN-TV and KRMA-TV.

GE Americom has been a leader in developing satellite communications since its launch of the first 24-transponder commercial communications satellite in 1975. GE's Advanced SatComS placed in service in the 1980s were the world's first all solid-state C-Band communications satellites.

Adapted from the SatCom heritage design, developed and built by GE Astro-Space Division, SatCom C-1 provides performance enhancements, reliability improvements and more equipment redundancy. This will assure SatCom C-1 has even greater reliability and longer life than its predecessors.

Fuel aboard SatCom C-1 is expected to provide a minimum of 12 years service life. The 24 C-Band transponders offer an average of 9.5 watts of output power and are arranged in a seven for six redundancy pattern.

An important and innovative addition is the on-board polarization switch. It allows SatCom C-1 the flexibility to be used at any orbital position by switching the transponder configuration to the appropriate polarization scheme for that location.

SatCom C-1 is the vanguard of the next step in the development of the GE Americom fleet. Under the direction of Walter Braun, senior vice president, government and technical operations, it is the first of four new satellites to be launched during the next 24 months.

CONTACT: Jeff Richardson of GE Americom, (609) 987-4200.

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#90325p9106 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SYRACUSE, NY (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Community Bank System, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CBSI), today announced that its board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 19 cents per share on its common stock. The dividend will be payable Jan. 10, 1991 to stockholders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

Community Bank System, Inc. is a $639 million multi-bank holding company based in Dewitt, which presently has five commercial banking affiliates and a data processing subsidiary.

The five banking affiliates are: Community National Bank, headquartered in Addison, with four branches in Steuben County; The Exchange National Bank located in Olean, with two branches in Cattaraugua County; Horizon Bank, N.A., having its principal office in Waterloo with five branches in the Finger Lakes

region; The Nichols National Bank, located in Nichols; and The St. Lawrence National Bank, headquartered in Canton, which operates 17 branches throughout northern New York and a representative office in Ottawa. The data processing subsidiary, Northeastern Computer Services, Inc. in Syracuse, provides services to the affiliate banks and to other financial institutions in upstate and central New York.

CONTACT: Edwin J. Lyons, president and CEO of Community Bank System, 315-445-2282.

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#90325p9108 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANDUSKY, OHIO (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - James A. Biggar, chairman and chief executive officer of Cleveland-based Nestle Enterprises, Inc., has been elected a director of Cedar Fair Management Company, the managing general partner of Cedar Fair, L.P. (NYSE: FUN). Biggar replaces Louis Perlmutter who has resigned from the board.

Biggar began his career with Stouffer Foods in 1960 when he was appointed director of marketing. He was promoted to vice president in 1963, to general manager of the division in 1966 and to president in 1967. In 1972, he became president and CEO of the Stouffer Corporation.

In 1973, the Stouffer Corporation became part of Nestle Enterprises, Inc. when it was acquired by Switzerland-based Nestle, S.A., the largest food company in the world. Nestle Enterprises, Inc. oversees the 10 food and hospitality companies of Nestle S.A. in the United States. In 1983, Biggar became president of Nestle Enterprises, Inc., and in 1984 was named chairman and CEO.

Biggar is a trustee of the Cleveland Clinic Foundation and University Schools, a director of The Sherwin-Williams Company and a member of the Board of Directors of the Grocery Manufacturers of America and of National City Corp. (Cleveland). He is also chairman of Cleveland Tomorrow (a group of 45 CEO's leading Cleveland's redevelopment) and a member of the Board of Overseers of the Executive Council on Foreign Diplomats.

Biggar has been recognized for his contributions to the community with numerous awards, including International Food Executive of the Year in 1990 from the Food Executives International Congress, the Cleveland Sales and Marketing Executives' Man of the Year in 1988 and Harvard Business School's Business Statesman of the Year in 1986.

He holds degrees in mechanical engineering and engineering administration from Case Institute of Technology (Case Western Reserve University) in Cleveland.

Cedar Fair, L.P. owns and operates two amusement/theme parks: Cedar Point, located on Lake Erie between Cleveland and Toledo, and Valleyfair, near

Mineapolis/St. Paul.

CONTACT: Juris Pagrabs of Cedar Fair, L.P., 419-627-2293

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#90325p9109 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Santa Fe Railway announced today it has reached agreement with the Orient Railcorp (OR) for the sale of three segments of track located in Oklahoma and Texas, collectively known as the Orient Line. Santa Fe first announced its intentions to sell the light-density Orient Line in February 1988. OR is a private corporation headed by Gary Kerley of Conroe Texas. The segments involved are: Cherokee, Okla. to Sweetwater, Texas; Sweetwater to Maryneal, Texas; and San Angelo Junction (Santa Ana), Texas, to Presidio, Texas. The three segments total approximately 730 miles in length. Terms of the sale were not disclosed.

OR said it expected to file pertinent papers regarding its purchase with the Interstate Commerce by Nov. 29, 1990. Operating headquarters are scheduled to be in Altus, Okla. and San Angelo, Texas. OR will work with Rio Grande Pacific Corporation (RGP) of Forth Worth, Texas, headed by Gil Gillette, to provide service on its behalf to the Oklahoma portion of the Orient Line (Cherokee-Altus). The Texas portions will be serviced by American Railroads Corporation (ARC) of Chicago. Richard C. McClure, president of ARC, visited with shippers in San Angelo on Nov. 8 and in Crowell, Texas, on Nov. 9, where he discussed proposed operating plans and solicited comments from shippers on service requirements.

"The best way to run a business like this is in partnership with affected shippers and communities," McClure said. "We plan to offer good service sensitive to shippers' needs, starting with the first day of operations next month." Gillette and Kerley echoed McClure's statement. Kerley cautioned, however, "There are certain segments in both Texas and Oklahoma that will require substantial additional activities by shippers to ensure continued rail operations."

RGP and ARC will work with OR to set up an operating plan staffed with experienced railroad personnel to oversee day-to-day operations. Each has extensive experience with short-line railroads involving grain, petroleum and cotton transportation.

CONTACT: Robert E. Gehrt of Santa Fe Railway, 312-786-6268, or Gary Kerley, Richard McClure, Gil Gillette of Orient Railcorp, 409-760-9333

-30- 2411

#90325p9112 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Fayette Tubular Products has developed a

unique mobile machine shop that travels to customer plants and drives directly onto the shop floors in order to produce "first-phase" experimental tube-and-hose assemblies for air-conditioning systems directly on advanced vehicles.

"In addition to being properly engineered to attain optimum function, the air conditioner systems used on today's highly competitive cars and trucks also have to exhibit major esthetic qualities," explained James S. Sheline, president of Fayette Tubular.

"To achieve this, it's often necessary to mock-up the complete engine and all of its accessories on an advanced vehicle under the watchful eyes of engineers and stylists," he said.

While most consumers might think that the automakers concentrate their design and styling efforts on the vehicle's exterior and the passenger compartment, "under the hood styling" is also extremely important to them, Sheline explained.

"Our Mobile One unit is a completely self-contained shop that is electrically powered and can travel on its own solid rubber wheels to virtually any location within a plant or engineering center," Sheline said. "When we get to the advanced vehicle, our technicians and engineers begin forming the entire hose and tube assembly right on the spot," he explained.

"Under the guidance of customer experts and using their own specialized knowledge, our mobile team forms an assembly that fits the bill perfectly," Sheline noted.

Many modifications are made during this process, he explained. The type of rubber hose, the contours of the aluminum, copper or steel tubing, the location of clips and couplings, all can affect both the esthetic and the functional quality of the air-conditioning system, as well as access clearances to important service areas, he said.

"At some customer locations, they have their own vehicles standing right alongside those produced by the competition, and examine them closely under the hood to achieve the best underhood appearance," Sheline said.

When optimum mock-up assemblies are achieved at the customer location, these are taken to Fayette Tubular's product development center at the company's world headquarters in Troy. There they are used as the design basis for functional prototypes, which are then precisely engineered both from a product performance and manufacturing efficiency viewpoint.

Fayette Tubular is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Danaher Corporation (NYSE: DHR), a major manufacturing company headquartered in Washington, D.C., and listed on the New York and Pacific stock exchanges.

CONTACT: George Mach or Susan Powers of Fayette Tubular Products, (313) 589-7710.

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#90325p9115 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST PALM BEACH, FLA. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - CV Reit, Inc. (NYSE: CVI), today announced that, due to its previously reported loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, its normal quarterly dividend will not be paid. The company also announced that its board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to one million shares of its common stock from time to time in the open market or in private transactions.

Alvin Wilensky, president, said the board believed that, under current depressed market conditions, the company's shares were attractively priced and that purchases would be in the best interest of the company and its stockholders.

Wilensky further stated that on Nov. 16, 1990, the company gave notice to Cenvill Development Corp. of its failure to pay the loans which, under an extension agreement, matured on Nov. 15, 1990, and that Cenvill Development would be in default if the loans were not paid within five calendar days thereafter. Discussions are taking place between the parties but no agreements have been reached.

CONTACT: Alvin Wilensky, president of CV Reit, 407-640-3155; or Hal LeVay of Porter, LeVay & Rose, 212-564-4700, for CV Reit

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Keene Corporation (NASDAQ: KEEN) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.05 per share of common stock to be paid Dec. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record Dec. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: Frances O'Brien or Edward C. Utz of Keene Corporation, 212-557-1900.

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#90325p9120 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FL (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Hughes Supply, Inc. today announced the following results of operations for the third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

HUGHES SUPPLY, INC.

Three Months Ended:	Oct. 31, 1990	Oct. 31, 1989
Net sales	$143,185,000	$138,836,000

Net income	$ 967,000	$ 2,279,000
Earnings Per Share:		
Primary	$ .23	$ .47
Fully diluted	$ .23	$ .43
Average Shares Outstanding:		
Primary	4,264,000	4,831,000
Fully diluted	5,348,000	5,919,000

Nine Months Ended:	Oct. 31, 1990	Oct. 31, 1989
Net sales	$430,246,000	$398,869,000
Net income	$ 4,094,000	$ 6,293,000
Earnings Per Share:		
Primary	$ .93	$ 1.30
Fully diluted	$ .88	$ 1.19
Average Shares Outstanding:		
Primary	4,411,000	4,829,000
Fully diluted	5,496,000	5,926,000

Net income for the current year's third quarter includes an after tax gain from the sale of the company's manufacturing operations of $617,000 or $.15 of primary earnings per share for the quarter.

The sales increase for the third quarter and year to date are attributed to newly acquired operations, new sales outlets opened during the past year, and increased market share.

Sales from outlets opened more than a year have declined as construction markets have declined as much as 30 percent throughout much of the Southeast. Increased market share has come at the expense of lower profit margins.

The company has repurchased an additional 153,000 shares of its common stock during the third quarter for a total of approximately 500,000 shares since Feb. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: David H. Hughes, president of Hughes Supply, Inc., (407) 841-4710.

-30- 2277

#90325p9121 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Stifel Financial Corp. (NYSE: SF) reported the following results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

Revenue for the quarter ended Oct. 26, 1990, was $18.3 million, a 12 percent decrease when compared to the prior year's first quarter.

The company reported a net loss of $149,000, or $0.04 per share, for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, compared with net earnings of $418,000, or $0.12 per

share, for the same quarter of fiscal 1990.

All figures are unaudited.

"Despite our loss, which is due to sluggish investor activity, both corporate finance and public finance remained profitable. Market activity picked up modestly in October, and that trend is continuing thus far in November. Nonetheless, we are continuing to emphasize expense control across the board. Moreover, we are not permitting this difficult period to diminish our efforts to build a strong and lean firm for the prosperous future we see ahead," commented G.H. Walker, chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

Stifel Financial Corp. is a regional financial services firm based in St. Louis, where it was founded in 1890. Its primary subsidiary, Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated operates 51 offices in 12 states.

CONTACT: David P. Garino, 314-982-1700, for Stifel Financial

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#90325p9122 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobile Telecommunication Technologies Corp. (NASDAQ: MTTL) Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board John N. Palmer has been named to the President's Export Council (PEC), the premier national advisory committee on international trade.

Palmer is one of 15 new appointees named by President George Bush. Established in 1973, the President's Export Council advises the president on government policies and programs that affect U.S. trade performance.

"With the increasing globalization of the world's economy, international trade is taking center stage as a dominant issue of this decade," said Palmer. "I am honored to have the opportunity to provide the president with a perspective on international trade from the private sector."

From 1973-1989, Palmer served as president and CEO of Mobile Communications Corporation of America (MCCA), a company he founded. Under Palmer's direction, MCCA became one of the largest independent telephone radio paging companies and the owner of a number of cellular telephone franchises. The company was sold to BellSouth in April 1989 in a transaction valued at $760 million.

Mtel was formed that year from the businesses not involved in the BellSouth transaction. Since 1989, Mtel's subsidiary, SkyTel Corp., Washington, has emerged as the country's leading provider of satellite-based nationwide paging and voice mail services ("SkyPager" and "SkyTalk"). The company currently has over 110,900 units in service worldwide.

Mtel's international operations include ownership of a nationwide paging

operator and paging hardware manufacturer in the United Kingdom (Mtel U.K.); a joint venture with Singapore Telecom International (STI) to develop national and international paging and voice messaging services in certain countries in the Asia Pacific region; and an ownership position in a nationwide paging company in Thailand.

In addition to the recent PEC appointment, Palmer served as a Private Sector Trade Advisor to the office of the U.S. Trade Representative. He is also on the board of the directors of the Mississippi Power & Light Company and Deposit Guaranty National Bank.

Mtel, headquartered in Jackson, Miss., is engaged in businesses that include nationwide paging and voice messaging services in the United States; nationwide paging services and paging system manufacturing in the United Kingdom; interests in other satellite-based telecommunications systems; air-to-ground and marine telecommunication systems; telephone answering service operations; and a digital microwave system serving southern California. Mtel's common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol MTTL.

CONTACT: Robert Grieves or David Allan of Burson-Marsteller, (212) 614-4951, or (212) 614-5163, for Mobile Telecommunication Technologies.

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#90325p9126 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - TCI of Pennsylvania Inc. today announced increases in its monthly rates for basic service and realignment of some of its channels.

In addition, the company will begin offering converter rentals and sales, as well as program guide sales, in its Greensburg system, and it will introduce changes in its City of Pittsburgh system that will provide savings for many customers and increased compatibility with VCRs and other advanced television technology.

All changes will take effect Jan. 1, 1991. In most TCI of Pennsylvania systems the monthly rate for basic service increases 80 cents to $17.45, while the monthly rate for expanded basic service increases 80 cents to $1.20. (In most systems, expanded basic service includes USA Network, ESPN, American Movie Classics, TNT and KBL or Arts & Entertainment.)

The monthly rates for Home Box Office, Showtime and Cinemax will increase 25 cents each. There is no change in the monthly rate for The Disney Channel, and the monthly rates for premium service combinations also remain the same. The installation charge increases to $59.95.

At the same time, some programming services will receive new channel numbers,

a realignment that will enable the company to install equipment assuring that all customers receive only those services they have ordered.

Other changes include: -- Greensburg - TCI of Greensburg will introduce The Cable Guide, featuring comprehensive monthly programming listings, for 50 cents per month. In addition, converters will be rented for $2.00 monthly or sold for $50 (90-day warranty) or $100 (2-year warranty). Converters will be provided free of charge only to subscribers of The Disney Channel, which requires a converter for reception. These measures were adopted previously by most TCI of Pennsylvania systems.

In other Greensburg changes, the monthly rates for basic service and expanded basic service increase to $17.45 and $1.20, respectively.

The monthly rate for two premium services will be $17.95, representing a decrease in many cases. The monthly rate for any three premium services decreases to $22.95, while the monthly rate for four premium services decreases to $27.95. The individual monthly rate for The Disney Channel increases to $8.95, while the individual monthly rate for other premium services increases to $11.95.

TCI of Pennsylvania Inc. serves approximately 480,000 customers in the commonwealth.

CONTACT: Evan Pattak for TCI of Pennsylvania, 412-777-1440.

-30- 2707
#90325p9127 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SECAUCUS, NJ (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Milton Petrie, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of Petrie Stores Corporation (NYSE: PST) announced today that sales for the three months ended Nov. 3, 1990, were $290,858,000 compared to $296,825,000 for the prior year.

For the nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990, sales were $905,327,000 compared to $869,654,000 for the prior year. For the three months ended Nov. 3, 1990, the company had a net loss of $4,934,000 compared to net income of $2,076,000 for the prior year. Net income for the nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990, was $4,254,000 compared to $12,623,000 for the prior year.

Petrie Stores operates a chain of 1,645 women's specialty stores in 48 states (including Hawaii and Alaska, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the District of Columbia) which specializes in the retail sale of a full selection of women's apparel at moderate prices to teen, junior and contemporary miss customers.

PETRIE STORES CORPORATION
(Unaudited; dollar amounts in thousands)

Three months ended	11/3/90	10/28/89
Sales	$290,858	$296,825
Earnings (loss) before equity earnings and income taxes	(7,788)	3,468
Equity earnings (loss)	(368)	27
Earnings (loss) before inc. taxes	(8,156)	3,495
Net earnings (loss)	(4,934)	2,076
Net earnings (loss) per share	$(0.11)	$0.04
Weighted average no. of shares	46,768	46,758

Nine months ended	11/3/90	10/28/89
Sales	$905,327	$869,654
Earnings before equity earnings and income taxes	7,928	21,526
Equity earnings (loss)	(589)	(174)
Earnings before income taxes	7,339	21,352
Net earnings	4,254	12,623
Net earnings per share	$0.09	$0.27
Weighted average no. of shares	46,768	46,765

CONTACT: Peter A. Left, secretary of Petrie Stores, 201-866-3600.

-30- 2420

#90325p9130 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Jerry Chisnell has joined Fayette Tubular Products as vice president, engineering, and is realigning and streamlining the newly organized product prototype center and engineering testing laboratories at Fayette's world headquarters in Troy.

This is being done, Chisnell said, to make these activities more efficient, and speed product development and product testing time for Fayette's wide range of automotive customers.

Fayette Tubular Products is a leading North American supplier of tube-and-hose assemblies for automotive air-conditioning systems, and operates plants in Reading and Oxford, Mich.; Fayette, Ohio; and Livingston, Tenn.

"Fayette has just completed a consolidation of the product prototyping and research and development activities at its new Troy world headquarters," Chisnell said.

"We concentrated all product engineering in Troy to be geographically closer to most of our major customers, and this involved transferring key engineering jobs from other engineering center locations, as well as moving the engineering testing laboratories here in their entirety from Fayette, Ohio," he explained.

"We have already reorganized our prototyping and testing personnel into customer teams, so that the same people stay involved with their customer counterparts on a continuing basis," Chisnell noted. "Now we are changing our prototype fabricating equipment to the same kind of flexible work cell processing equipment we use in our production facilities."

All four of Fayette Tubular's production plants recently converted to cellular processing. That involves producing parts in work cells on a just-in-time basis, with no inventory build between production stations. This type of processing has greatly improved product quality and led to outstanding cost efficiencies, Chisnell said.

Chisnell also is developing new laboratory testing procedures that will permit customers to reduce the number of hours spent in the field testing their products.

A veteran research and product development engineer, Chisnell has spent more than 30 years in the automotive tubular assembly industry. He joined Fayette from S&H Fabricating and Engineering of Farmington Hills, Mich., where he was senior vice president of research and development.

CONTACT: George Mach, (313) 597-3609, or Susan Powers, (313) 597-3620, both of Fayette Tubular Products.

-30- 2621

#90325p9137 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORVILLE, OHIO (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The J.M. Smucker Company (NYSE: SJM) announced today that sales for the second quarter ending Oct. 31 were $125,177,000, ending up 6 percent over the $118,360,000 for the same period last year. Net profits for the quarter were 4 percent higher than in the comparable period last year, with earnings per share of $.59 compared to $.56.

For the six months ended Oct. 31, sales and net income were up 8 percent and 5 percent, respectively, over the prior year. Sales were $235,920,000, up from $218,427,000 last year, and net income was $17,067,000 versus $16,310,000 a year ago.

The company cited continued growth in the consumer, foodservice, and international business areas, with foodservice and international recording the largest percentage gains. Within the consumer area, the grocery market and the health and natural foods market had the largest sales gains. Net income grew at a lesser rate than sales due to investment spending in the International area and the increased proportion of sales occurring in lower margin markets such as international.

THE J. M. SMUCKER COMPANY

STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED INCOME

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended October 31, 1990	1989
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)		
Net Sales	$125,177	$118,360
Cost of products sold	82,199	79,506
Total	42,978	38,854
Selling, distribution, and administrative expenses	28,612	25,031
Total	14,366	13,823
Other income, net	(35)	(63)
Income before income taxes	14,331	13,760
Income taxes	5,732	5,507
Net income	$8,599	$8,253
Net income per Common Share (A)	$.59	$.56(B)
Dividends declared per share	$.17	$.13

(A) Computed on weighted average number of shares outstanding, namely 14,769,787 14,713,304

(B) Net income per Common Share for 1989 has been restated to reflect the May 1990 two-for-one stock split.

CONTACT: Richard K. Smucker, president, or Steven J. Ellcessor, secretary, 216-682-3000, both of the J.M. Smucker Company

-30- 2734

#90325p9139 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILAN, ILL. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle Food Centers, Inc. (NASDAQ: EGLE) today announced that its board of directors has authorized management to repurchase, over the next 12 months in the open market, up to $10 million worth of its common stock contingent upon market conditions.

Pat Petitti, Eagle chairman, said the board authorized the repurchase program because the board believes that the company's stock is attractively priced and because of its confidence in Eagle Food Center's near- and long-term growth prospects. Any repurchased shares will be held as treasury shares.

Eagle Food Centers, Inc., is a leading regional supermarket chain headquartered in Milan, operating 106 stores in northern and central Illinois, eastern Iowa and northwestern Indiana under the trade name Eagle Food Centers.

CONTACT: Robert Van De Voorde, senior VP and CFO of Eagle Food Centers, 309-787-7730, or Jack Queeney, 312-266-7800, or Jan Quartner, 212-661-8030, both of the Financial Relations Board, for Eagle Food Centers

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#90325p9143 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
HIGHLAND PARK, MI (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today reported six of its seven U. S. car and truck assembly plants are scheduled to operate the week of Nov. 26. The company's Newark (Del.) Assembly Plant is scheduled to operate two nine-hour daily shifts next week.

The Belvidere (Ill.), Sterling Heights (Mich.), Dodge City/Warren (Mich.) Truck, and St. Louis II (Fenton, Mo.) assembly are all scheduled to operate two regular eight-hour daily shifts next week. The St. Louis I (Fenton) Assembly Plant will continue to operate its single eight-hour daily shift next week.

The Toledo (Ohio) Assembly Plant is not scheduled to operate next week due to inventory adjustment. The plant will resume production the week of Dec. 3. About 4,700 hourly people will be on temporary layoff the one week.

CONTACT: Alan Miller or Doug Nicoll of Chrysler, 313-956-1909.

-30- 1071
#90325p9144 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
LINDENHURST, NY (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard E. Smith, chairman and CEO of Steve's Homemade Ice Cream Inc. (NASDAQ: STVEA), today announced the company's financial results for the third quarter of 1990.

Steve's reported revenues for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990 of $7,099,000 as compared to $9,151,000 for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1989. Revenues for the 39 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990 decreased to $21,051,000 from $25,571,000 for the comparable period in 1989. Net income for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 29 1990 was $116,000 as compared to net income of $604,000 for the 13 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for the 39 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990 was $109,000 (including an extraordinary gain of $176,000) as compared to net income of $1,513,000 for the 39 weeks ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The decline in revenues and net income is attributable to a disruption in the company's distribution network in Florida and California, a recently resolved dispute with a major customer, fewer franchised and licensed stores in 1990 than in 1989, and the inventory control program of a major user. In addition, the net income for the 39 weeks ended Sept. 29, 1990 was reduced due to increased marketing and advertising expenditures related to the introduction of Steve's Gourmet Light Ice Cream.

Steve's Homemade Ice Cream, Inc. markets Steve's Super Premium, Steve's Gourmet Light, Swensen's Premium ice cream and American Glace Frozen Dessert, in 32 states and the District of Columbia and franchises and licenses ice cream shoppes and family restaurants in the United States and 15 foreign

countries.

STEVE'S HOMEMADE ICE CREAM, INC.
Summary of Financial Information

	Thirteen Weeks		Thirty-nine Weeks	
Periods ended	9/29/90	9/30/90	9/29/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$7,099,000	$9,151,000	$21,051,000	$25,571,000
Income (loss) from opers. before extaordin. item	116,000	604,000	(67,000)	1,513,000
Extraordinary Item:				
Gain from extinguishment of debt - non-taxable	--	--	176,000	--
Net income	116,000	604,000	109,000	1,513,000
Earns. Per Common Share:				
Inc. from opers.	$.01	$.05	--	$.12
Gain from early extinguishment of debt	--	--	$.01	--
Net income	$.01	$.05	$.01	$.12

CONTACT: Gary P. Stevens, president of Steve's, 516-884-5656.

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#90325p9146 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILAN, IL (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle Food Centers Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: EGLE) today reported that earnings for the third quarter ended Nov. 3, 1990 were stronger than the second quarter 1990 results, although less than the comparable year-ago period.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Pat Petitti cited reduced expenses for the improvement in third quarter operating margins from the prior quarter's level.

For the third quarter ended Nov. 3, 1990, total sales rose 1.4 percent to $273.9 million from $270.0 million in the comparable year-ago period. Same store sales increased 0.3 percent in the quarter. Net income for the quarter was $1,949,000 or $0.17 per share, substantially above the $742,000, or $0.06 per share, in the 1990 second quarter, but trailed the $2,388,000, or $0.21 per share, in the 1989 third quarter.

The company reported that over $1,200,000 of additional wage and fringe benefits were absorbed in each quarter of 1990 compared to a year ago. The increases in wages and benefits arose from the return of employee concessions in connection with labor contract extensions negotiated at the beginning of the current year.

Petitti said the improvement in the third quarter results over the second was attributable to reduced expenses at both the store and corporate office levels and better operating margins late in the quarter.

"We are seeking the first results of our expense reduction and containment programs that were instituted early in the third quarter," he said. "Late in the quarter we also began to realize higher margins from these efforts and the implementation of a new advertising thrust."

Sales for the 39 weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990 were $838.0 million, an increase of 1.8 percent from the $822.9 million in a similar period a year ago. Same store sales increased 0.7 percent for the 39-week period. Net income for the 39 weeks of 1990 was $5,407,000 or $0.47 per share, compared to $7,453,000 or $0.65 per share a year ago.

The decline is attributable to higher employee, insurance, and promotional costs, and a one-time store closing charge recorded in the second quarter of 1990.

Petitti said, "Sales are extremely encouraging in many of the markets in which we operate but still remain difficult to get in markets where significant new competitive activity has occurred over the last 12 months. To respond to this problem we are implementing new sales-driven programs to improve the sales trends in these competitive markets."

CONTACT: Robert Van De Voorde, senior vice president and chief financial officer of Eagle Food Centers, (309) 787-7730; or Jack Queeney, (312) 266-7800 or Jan Quartner, (212) 661-8030, both of The Financial Relations Board for Eagle Food Centers.

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#90325p9147 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Gerardo de Prevoisin, president of the board of directors of Aerovias de Mexico confirmed today that Guillermo Heredia has been designated president of Aeromexico, effective Dec. 3, 1990.

Heredia is currently serving as President for Latin America and the Caribbean of Kentucky Fried Chicken, a subsidiary of PepsiCo.

Heredia is a Mexican citizen, and holds a BS in Engineering from U Americas and an MA in Business Administration from U Iberoamericana. Postgraduate studies have been completed at Harvard, Stanford and Columbia Universities throughout the ten years he has resided in the United States.

Guillermo led the Kentucky Fried Chicken expansion throughout Latin America and the Caribbean where he has responsibility for 189 Restaurants operating in

24 countries.

CONTACT: Steve Naru of Burson-Marsteller, 212-614-4970, for Aerovias de Mexico

-30- 1049

#90325p9150 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

HACKENSACK, N.J. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The stockholders of Script Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: SCPT) have approved a 1-for-2 reverse stock split on the 2,804,848 outstanding common shares of the company. Currently there are now 1,402,424 common shares outstanding.

In addition, Script had outstanding 601,279 common shares reserved for outstanding warrants. The terms for these shares have been modified to conform to the new capitalization so that 300,640 shares are now reserved for outstanding warrants. The holder of each warrant may now purchase one-half share of Script common stock at a price of $3.50.

The board of directors stated that the stock split was done to help assure a higher per-share market price for the company's stock that in turn will increase investor interest and eliminate the resistance of brokerage firms to lower-priced stocks.

Script Systems provides automated systems to the health care industry, principally medical offices, clinics and hospitals, which perform clinical record keeping, billing and insurance claims processing, scheduling and administrative functions. Script's products and services are sold throughout the country from direct sales offices and a distributor network.

CONTACT: Barry Mindes of Script Systems, 201-343-8500, or Sam Witchel of Scharff, Witchel & Co., 212-983-1060, for Script Systems

-30- 1536

#90325p9156 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEVERLY HILLS, CA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Players International Inc. announces its $32,000 Slot Free-For-All at the first annual International Gamefest '90, a Las Vegas, Mardi Gras style gaming, entertainment, and travel extravaganza to be held on Dec. 10-12, 1990, at seven top casinos in Las Vegas.

Those who attend will play the slots absolutely free for ten full minutes. If a bettor has the highest amount of points accumulated among the Gamefest participants in his hotel, he will win $1,000. All winners from each hotel compete in the end for the Slot Free-For-All playoff in which the winner receives a $25,000 jackpot.

This is just one of the many tournaments to be held at this unique event. If a bettor ever wanted an opportunity to play a slot for free, this event is a

perfect combination of gaming, festivities and a variety of other leisure activities.

People who would like information on this Las Vegas Mardi Gras festival may call 1-800-933-7000 (Press No. 5). Hours to call are 7:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, Pacific Standard Time.

CONTACT: David Mirisch of David Mirisch Enterprises, (213) 275-9485, for Players International.

-30- 1359

#90325p9158 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MICH. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert E. Rossiter, president of Lear Seating Corporation, today announced a series of executive changes in the management group of its European seating operations.

John P. Deters, 49, formerly vice president of Financial Planning, has been named vice president, International Finance. He will be assigned to Kronberg Germany, headquarters for Lear's European operations.

Deters, a graduate of the University of Dayton with a master's degree from the University of Detroit, first joined Lear Siegler, a predecessor company, in 1966 and served in a number of key financial positions with several divisions, including General Seating Division.

Richard G. Williams, 44, vice president of Lear's European "Just In Time" delivery operations, has assumed the additional position of managing director of Lear's wholly owned subsidiary, Lear Seating Sweden, A.B. Lear will supply all of Saab's finished seat requirements starting in January 1991. Williams will be assigned to Trollhattan, Sweden, home of Saab's main plant. Williams, who joined Lear Seating in 1984, has spent most of his business career in the automotive industry. He received a bachelor and master's degree from the University of Detroit.

James Brackenbury, 32, a member of Lear's engineering staff for seven years and an engineering graduate of Michigan State University, has been promoted to director of Engineering, Lear Seating Sweden, A.B. Brackenbury also has done graduate work in engineering at Cambridge University in England.

Deters, Williams and Brackenbury will report to James A. Hollars, senior vice president, Lear Seating Corporation. Hollars also will be headquartered in Kronberg.

CONTACT: Anthony De Lorenzo of Hill & Knowlton, 313-644-9150, for Lear Seating

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#90325p9165 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - On Thanksgiving Day, Sony will launch its Video 1(TM) Network, the largest permanent outdoor color video display in the United States.

Using a giant 23.5-by-32-foot JumboTron(R) screen, the Sony Video 1 display will cover the fourth and fifth floors of One Times Square, site of the famous New Year's Eve ball drop. Its advanced technology and innovative programming combine to make it an entirely new form of public communications.

The most technologically advanced display ever built, Sony Video 1 Network will present bright, sharply defined video images both day and night. It will be visible from all of Times Square, a major Manhattan crossroads frequented by more than 1.5 million people each day. Its high-tech messages will include news, holiday greetings, public service information, special promotions and advertising -- in addition to innovative programming.

Appropriate to its Thanksgiving Day launch, the Sony Video 1 Network's initial programming will include video images of artwork created by New York City schoolchildren for the Thanksgiving holiday. Five thousand students took part, working with Mr. Sketch(R) scented water color markers donated by Sanford Corporation, a leading manufacturer of marking and writing instruments and other office and school supplies. A total of 140 drawings were selected by principals of participating schools for display on the new medium. The winning pictures, translated to video, will be seen by everyone passing through Times Square over the Thanksgiving weekend.

"In addition to making a significant contribution to the renewal efforts of the 42nd Street Development Project, a group committed to returning quality, energy and excitement to Times Square, we wanted to break new ground in communications," said Jeffrey Brooks, senior vice president, corporate advertising, Sony Corporation of America.

"Sony's ability to marry advanced video display technology with creative messages accomplishes that goal," he continued. "We wanted more than an electronic billboard. We will have relevant video programming to support the community."

CONTACT: Steve Hoechster of Sony, 212-575-1976

-30- 2385
#90325p9166 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
CAMDEN, N.J. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Campbell Soup Co. (NYSE: CPB) has been awarded a contract by the U.S. military to supply up to 24 million cans of Campbell's Soup to military personnel attached to Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia.

The first shipment of soup, which will be produced at the company's Napoleon, Ohio, and Paris, Texas, facilities, is scheduled for delivery to Saudi Arabia by the end of December, when temperatures in the Saudi desert begin to drop. The company hopes to deliver the soup in time for troops to enjoy for Christmas.

A total of 167,000 cases of Campbell's Chicken Noodle, Beef Noodle Vegetable and Vegetable beef soups will be shipped to Dover, Del., Airforce Base for air lift to Saudi Arabia. The remaining soup will be shipped by sea. The soups are packaged in easy-open, ready-to-serve cans which troops can heat by either conventional methods or by heating the entire can.

CONTACT: Kevin Lowery of Campbell Soup, 609-342-8533

-30- 1160

#90325p9167 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Fleet/Norstar Financial Group (NYSE: FNG) today declared a quarterly dividend on its common stock of 20 cents per share, a reduction from the 35 cents per share previously paid, it was announced by Terrence Murray, chairman and chief executive officer.

The dividend will be payable on Jan. 1, 1991 to stockholders of record on Dec. 15, 1990.

"Today's board decision to reduce the dividend was made after a careful and thorough analysis of industry prospects for 1991," Murray said. "Although Fleet/Norstar remains well-capitalized and better positioned than many other financial companies during this economic slowdown, it is clear to us that many economic uncertainties loom on the horizon. Given these circumstances, we are firmly convinced that retention of capital is the most prudent course of action at this time."

Murray pointed out that the board's dividend decision also was prompted by a desire to act from a position of relative strength. "Some banks have been forced to cut their dividends because of substantial operating losses and weak capital positions," he said. "We reported a small profit for the first nine months, and our 7 percent capital ratio is still among the strongest in the banking industry and well above the 4 percent to 5 percent industry average. With this action, we have taken the conservative step of protecting the corporation's capital base at a time when economic conditions are uncertain. In time, when the corporation shares in improving economic conditions, our shareholders certainly will be among the beneficiaries."

Fleet/Norstar Financial Group is a diversified national financial services company listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Fleet/Norstar has

approximately 1,000 offices in 40 states. Its lines of business include commercial and consumer banking, mortgage banking, consumer finance, asset-based lending, trust banking, student loan processing, and investment banking.

CONTACT: Robert W. Lougee, Jr., 401-278-5879, Charles T. Conway, Jr., 401-278-6240 or Bruce P. Crooks, 401-278-6241, all of Fleet/Norstar Group

-30- 2362

#90325p9170 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROME (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Citing their "outstanding contributions to the safety of commercial aviation," the Flight Safety Foundation today bestowed its highest honors on three Boeing employees who developed new methods of analyzing aircraft accidents, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group said.

Boeing Commercial Airplane Group engineer Peter Gallimore and two recently retired colleagues, Lester Lautman and Richard Sears, received the foundation's Admiral Luis de Florenz Flight Safety Award at a ceremony held at the Flight Safety Foundation's annual conference.

Gallimore and Lautman were recognized for their study of accident statistics which showed that some operators clearly had better safety records than others. They visited, and closely examined, several of the more successful operators to determine if there was a common theme running through management policies. Their study established that policies and practices of top management play the vital role in controlling crew-caused accidents.

Richard Sears, meanwhile, developed a method for relating accident cause factors to accident prevention strategies.

Sears and Lautman then combined the concepts of their respective studies into a program of safety initiatives and practical steps to reduce accidents. Their efforts helped shift the primary focus of research from crashworthiness to accident prevention.

The de Florenz award recognizes outstanding contributions to aviation in basic design, device or practice which has resulted in a significant improvement in safety.

In presenting the award, John H. Enders, president of the Flight Safety Foundation, cited the recipients as "most deserving of this recognition by their peers in the aviation industry for their singular accomplishments on behalf of aviation safety."

CONTACT: Randy Harrison of Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, (206) 234-9333.

-30- 2090
#90325p9176 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Cherne Medical, Inc. (NASDAQ: CHNE) announced today that General Electric Company (GE) has notified the company that it will not exercise an option, received in a May 14, 1990 agreement with the company, to purchase shares of the company's common stock held by Lloyd G. and Joan A. Cherne. In addition, GE will not exercise an option granted to it under the agreement to become the exclusive distributor for the company's products in the United States and worldwide. GE stated that it will complete the clinical trials on the Cherne System which were instituted under the agreement.

"The research supported by GE Medical Systems Group has given us new information on meaningful clinical applications of the Cherne System," said David L. Printy, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Cherne Medical. "The GE Medical Systems Group research installations in three hospitals has provided a base of clinical data and has introduced physicians to the Cherne System." Currently, the Cherne System is used in clinical settings in Walnut Creek, Calif.; Peoria, Ill.; and London, United Kingdom.

Nine abstracts of studies of the Cherne System were accepted this year for presentations before the European College of Cardiology, the American College of Chest Physicians and the American Heart Association. Printy noted that research findings on the Cherne System presented at the American Heart Association Scientific Assembly in November 1990 were well received.

Cherne Medical, based in Minneapolis, manufactures and markets the Cherne System, a non-invasive, stress-free cardiac diagnostic instrument capable of identifying coronary heart disease.

The common stock of Cherne Medical, Inc., is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol CHNE.

CONTACT: William J. Birmingham of Cherne Medical, 612-933-2838.

-30- 2091
#90325p9186 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEVELAND (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - National City Bank was honored today by Cleveland Action to Support Housing (C.A.S.H) for having underwritten both the most loans and most rehabilitation loans in the C.A.S.H. program during 1989.

"National City underwrote a total of $1,406,845 in loans in the C.A.S.H. program," said Ronald Thomas, executive director of C.A.S.H. "In addition, the bank underwrote $123,910 of rehabilitation loans."

Awards also were presented to Dollar Bank for outstanding underwriting of C.A.S.H. rehabilitation loans totaling $111,938, and to Society Bank for

underwriting of new construction loans totaling $1,284,220.

A special award was presented to Anthony C. Cianciolo, vice president, consumer credit division, National City Bank, for outstanding service as chairman of the C.A.S.H. loan committee since 1981.

"Cleveland banks are doing their job in the city," said Thomas. "The banking community is taking an aggressive role in developing public/private partnerships and reinvesting in the targeted neighborhoods of the city."

Thomas also noted that in his experience as a member of the advisory council of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati, "I have not come across a program such as C.A.S.H., which makes a direct attempt to leverage public dollars with private finances."

C.A.S.H. was established in 1978 with the purpose of stabilizing the neighborhoods in Cleveland. A partnership was formed composed of City government, community organizations and local lenders to provide housing rehabilitation assistance to eligible homeowners.

Investment in inner-city housing by local banks is encouraged by C.A.S.H. by backing the bank loans with Community Development Block Grant deposits. The deposits also lower the interest rates on the loans.

C.A.S.H. has helped finance construction of 210 new homes and the renovation of about 1,600 others, representing a total of more than $26 million in mortgage loans.

CONTACT: David W. Talbott of National City Bank, (216) 575-2512.

-30- 2246

#90325p9187 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - T Cell Sciences, Inc. (NASDAQ: TCEL), announced today that its complement blocker, a drug that limits complement mediated tissue damage, may prove useful for heart transplantation in sensitized recipients. The drug, a modified human protein now in preclinical development, was shown to significantly delay rejection of heart transplants in sensitized rat recipients. The results of this study were presented at the Association for Academic Surgery Meeting in Houston on Nov. 17, 1990, by Scott K. Pruitt, M.D., Department of Surgery, Duke University.

Sensitized recipients are those with antibodies already formed against the donor's heart they are about to receive. The recipients mount an immediate immune response against the transplanted organ (hyperacute rejection) which causes immediate organ rejection. No immunosuppressive agents exist to stop this kind of rejection process. Delaying hyperacute rejection is the first step toward preventing rejection in sensitized recipients.

James D. Grant, chairman and chief executive officer of T Cell Sciences, said, "We are exploring the use of the complement blocker in many diseases where complement mediated tissue damage occurs, including heart disease, stroke, trauma and some infectious diseases. The results of this study are the first to be reported on the use of the complement blocker other than for limiting reperfusion injury."

Utilizing proprietary T cell receptor and soluble receptor technology, T Cell Sciences, Inc., is developing pharmaceutical products to treat heart disease and autoimmune diseases as well as products for diagnosing and monitoring immune system disorders and cancer. Located in Cambridge, Mass., the company currently markets products to the scientific community and an FDA approved test kit to the diagnostic market.

CONTACT: James D. Grant, chairman and CEO, or Susan Primrose (investors), 617-621-1400, both of T Cell Sciences; or Fred Spar of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for T Cell Sciences.

-30- 2245

#90325p9190 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - United Capital Corp. (AMEX: ICU) announced today that its board of directors had authorized the repurchase of up to 529,316 shares of United Capital Corp. common stock, a total of 568,980 shares of common stock when aggregated with shares previously authorized for repurchase and as yet unpurchased. Purchases will be made from time to time in the open market at prevailing market prices and may be made in privately negotiated transactions. There are 10,568,980 shares of common stock currently outstanding.

CONTACT: A. F. Petrocelli, chairman of United Capital, 212-371-1781

-30- 780

#90325p9192 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Detroit Edison Company (NYSE: DTE) today announced it will redeem all of its outstanding General and Refunding Mortgage Bonds, Series UU, 10 7/8 percent, which would have matured on Sept. 15, 2009, pursuant to the optional redemption provisions of this security. The principal amount of the bonds to be redeemed totals $100 million.

The bonds will be redeemed at 105.65 percent of the principal amount plus accrued interest from Sept. 15, 1990, to Dec. 21, 1990, the date of redemption.

Notice of redemption and further details will be provided to all Series UU bondholders by Bankers Trust Company, as trustee and paying agent.

CONTACT: Lorie N. Kessler, (313) 237-8807, or Martin L. Bufalini II, (313) 237-8808, both of Detroit Edison.

-30- 961

#90325p9193 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert H. McLean, chairman of the board and president of Buffton Corp. (AMEX: BFX), announced today its revenues and earnings for the fourth quarter and year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The net income for the quarter was $724,000, or 19 cents per share on revenues of $24,856,000. For the same period last year, the company recorded a net loss of $4,397,000, or $1.11 per share loss on revenues of $111,011,000.

For the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reports a net loss of $1,137,000, or 29 cents per share on revenues of $94,863,000. For the prior year period, the company reported a net loss of $3,661,000, or 92 cents per share on revenues of $111,011,000.

In making the announcement, McLean stated, "The improvement in the current quarter reflects improvement in our PVC pipe operations. During the prior year quarter, in addition to reduced operating results, we also wrote off a significant portion of the purchase price of National Conduit Co. I am pleased to say that National Conduit Co. has been moderately profitable during the current quarter and past seven months. We believe our PVC pipe operations will show continued improvement throughout our next fiscal year."

McLean continued, "As we recently announced, we have received favorable final test results relating to the environmental investigation of our real property in Vestal, New York. By virtue of these favorable test results and opinions expressed by our experts, we reversed, in the current quarter, $1 million accrued for clean-up costs which was charged to operations in our fourth quarter ending Sept. 30, 1989."

McLean stated, "In addition, as we have previously announced, we are excited about the prospects of the recently FAA approved Cockpit Voice Recorder of our subsidiary, B & D Instruments and Avionics Inc. A significant amount of backlog has already been booked for this product, and we believe it should have a significant favorable impact on the profitability of Buffton should B & D meet its sales forecast for the coming year."

McLean concluded, "We are managing our way through very uncertain times. The U.S. economy is suffering generally and in several markets is seriously depressed. We do not see any significant improvement in the markets for products manufactured by Buffton's companies for at least six months. As a result, we have made substantial overhead reductions, primarily through consolidations undertaken in our PVC pipe, PVC fittings, and cable assembly operations."

CONTACT: Robert Korman of Buffton Corp., 817-332-4761

-30- 2805

#90325p9194 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, N.J. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Public Service Enterprise Group Inc. (NYSE: PEG) (Enterprise) has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the proposed issuance and sale of 5 million shares of its common stock to the public through underwriters, including 500,000 shares to cover over-allotments, if any.

Enterprise named Merrill Lynch & Co. and Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc. as representatives of the group of underwriters for the proposed sale.

Enterprise said it expects to use proceeds from the sale to make additional equity investments in its subsidiaries, Public Service Electric and Gas Co. (PSE&G) and Enterprise Diversified Holdings Inc. (EDHI). It is anticipated that PSE&G and EDHI will utilize funds provided by such investments to repay a portion of their respective outstanding short-term debt obligations.

CONTACT: Neil Brown of PSE&G, 201-430-6017

-30- 1096

#90325p9197 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Reading & Bates Corporation (NYSE: RB) reported a net loss of $7.2 million ($.19 per common share) for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a net loss of $21.6 million ($.69 per common share) for the third quarter of 1989. Operating revenues increased $9.8 million to $34.3 million for the third quarter, a 40 percent increase over the comparable quarter of 1989. The company's utilization rate for the third quarter of 1990 was 85.7 percent.

A net loss of $29.4 million ($.80 per common share) was reported for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $41.4 million ($1.55 per common share) for the first nine months of 1989. Operating revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $90.6 million, down $4.1 million compared to the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989. However, operating revenues in 1989 included a one-time $13 million contract termination fee. The company's utilization rate for the first nine months of 1990 was 83 percent compared to 82.5 percent for the same period of 1989.

In a recent announcement the company indicated a substantial majority of its senior creditor group had executed a commitment letter relating to the proposed recapitalization of Reading & Bates. Completion of the recapitalization plan is subject to several conditions, including approval by stockholders at a special meeting currently scheduled to be held on Dec. 28,

1990.

Reading & Bates Corporation, a New York Stock Exchange-listed company, engages in offshore drilling throughout the world and provides engineering services and equipment for water and hazardous waste treatment systems.

CONTACT: M.H. McMahon, treasurer of Reading & Bates, 713-496-5000

-30- 1921

#90325p9200 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Domtar Inc. has today sold the remainder of the U.S. assets of its Sifto Salt Division to the North American Salt Company of Mission, Kan.

Included in the transaction are a rock salt mine in Cote Blanche, La. and related U.S. distribution facilities. The sale is consistent with Domtar's strategic program of focusing its businesses and this completes the chemicals divestiture program.

CONTACT: Jacques Viau, (514) 848-5575, for Domtar.

-30- 655

#90325p9201 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLYMOUTH, MA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Boston Edison Company announced today that its Shorefront and Nature Trail at the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station will close for the winter on Monday, Nov. 26, 1990. The seasonal visitor attraction will reopen in April 1991.

Each year, thousands of visitors stop by the Shorefront and Nature Trail to view Pilgrim Station, Cape Cod Bay and the wildlife and marine life. Brochures about Pilgrim and nuclear power are available throughout the season, and in the summer, local teachers are available to answer visitors' questions.

CONTACT: Elaine Robinson, David Tarantino, or Anita Flanagan; all of Boston Edison, (508) 224-4803 (24 hours).

-30- 858

#90325p9203 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, NC (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - First Bancorp (NASDAQ: FBNC) announced today that a cash dividend of $0.075 has been declared payable January 25, 1991 to shareholders of record December 31, 1990. Also a ten percent (10 percent) stock dividend was declared payable January 25, 1991 to shareholders of record December 31, 1990.

CONTACT: John C. Wallace, President, First Bancorp, 919-576-6171

-30- 534
#90325p9204 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Toreador Royalty (NASDAQ: TRGL) reported a net income of $127,156 for the third quarter of 1990 equal to $0.028 per share in comparison with a loss of $2,763 or $0.001 per share for the third quarter of 1989.

Third quarter revenues were $422,018 in 1990, a 83.5 percent gain as compared with $229,916 in 1989. The majority of the increase was represented by the sale of 32,600 units of the company's holding in the Permian Basin Royalty Trust for a net gain of $170,422 together with higher oil volumes as a result of two recent acquisitions and higher oil prices.

Cost and expenses were $294,862 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, up from $228,163 for the same period in 1989, due primarily to increases in general and administrative expenses, and depreciation, depletion and amortization expense of $30,617 and $24,334, respectively. Both increases are the result of the recent producing property acquisitions.

Toreador owns in excess of 500,000 net mineral acres located primarily in the Texas Panhandle and Northwest Texas. In addition, the company owns working and royalty interests in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana. Toreador's common stock is traded in the NASDAQ market under the symbol "TRGL."

CONTACT: Peter R. Vig, chairman of Toreador Royalty Corporation, 214-220-2141

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#90325p9208 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
POMONA, CA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - MMI Medical, Inc. (NASDAQ: MMIM) today reported that a federal district judge has scheduled an April 1, 1991, trial in Winston-Salem, N.C., for outstanding litigation between the General Electric Company and MMI's R Squared Scan Systems, Inc. subsidiary.

In two separate actions, General Electric has alleged copyright violations by R Squared with respect to diagnostic software used with certain C.T. scanners manufactured by General Electric and the Technicare subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson. R Squared has filed a counterclaim alleging numerous antitrust violations by General Electric.

Dudley A. Rauch, chairman and chief executive officer of MMI Medical, commented, "We are pleased that the judge has set an early trial date and look forward to having the cases heard and resolved."

MMI Medical provides hospitals, clinics and private physician offices with

maintenance services for diagnostic imaging equipment, shared mobile computed tomography and cardiac catheterization services and distributes X-ray film and other radiology equipment and supplies.

CONTACT: Christopher J. Purcell of MMI Medical, 714-620-0391

-30- 1356

#90325p9212 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Colonial Group (NASDAQ: COGRA) closed end funds -- monthly release follows:

COLONIAL INVESTMENT GRADE MUNICIPAL TRUST (CXH)

	Maturities			Dividends	
Quality	10/31/90	In Years	10/31/90	Record Date	Amount
		1	3.05%	11/15/89	$0.08250
AA	17.67%	1-5	37.78%	12/15/89	$0.08250
A	29.80%	5-10	23.78%	1/15/90	$0.08250
BAA	12.84%	10-20	18.26%	2/15/90	$0.08250
BA	1.13%	20-30	8.53%	3/15/90	$0.08250
Nonrated	24.89%	30	8.60%	4/17/90	$0.08250
	100.00%		100.00%	5/15/90	$0.08250
				6/15/90	$0.08000
				7/16/90	$0.07750
				8/15/90	$0.07500
				9/17/90	$0.07500
				10/15/90	$0.07500

NAV: $10.80 DATE OF ISSUE: 5/16/89 ASSET SIZE: $124.3 million

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COLONIAL HIGH INCOME MUNICIPAL TRUST (NYSE: CXE)

	Maturities			Dividends	
Quality	10/31/90	In Years	10/31/90	Record Date	Amount
		1	4.20%	11/30/89	$0.06500
AA	8.33%	1-5	29.05%	12/29/89	$0.06700
A	18.13%	5-10	10.75%	1/31/90	$0.06800
BAA	7.73%	10-20	30.85%	2/28/90	$0.06900
BA	1.25%	20-30	22.72%	3/30/90	$0.06900
B	1.02%	30	2.43%	4/30/90	$0.06900
Nonrated	51.66%			5/31/90	$0.06900
	100.00%		100.00%	6/29/90	$0.06900
				7/31/90	$0.06900
				8/31/90(a)	$0.06900
				9/28/90	$0.06900
				10/31/90	$0.06900

(a) also paid 3.1 cents cap gain (taxable) from prior fiscal year

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NAV: $9.04 DATE OF ISSUE: 2/16/89 ASSET SIZE: $274.9 million

COLONIAL INTERMEDIATE HIGH INCOME FUND (NYSE: CIF)

Quality	10/31/90	Maturities In Years	10/31/90	Dividends Record Date	Amount	Record Date	Amount
		1	2.89%	11/30/89	$0.10000	5/31/90	$0.09000
B	62.55%	1-5	15.69%	12/28/89	$0.10000	6/29/90	$0.09000
CCC	16.64%	5-10	62.76%	1/31/90	$0.10000	7/31/90	$0.09000
C	3.05%	10-20	18.66%	2/28/90	$0.10000	8/31/90	$0.09000
D	1.15%			3/30/90	$0.09000	9/28/90	$0.09000
Non-rated	11.06%			4/30/90	$0.09000	10/31/90	$0.09000
	100.00%		100.00%				

NAV: $4.91 DATE OF ISSUE: 7/21/88 ASSET SIZE: $65.2 million

COLONIAL MUNICIPAL INCOME TRUST (NYSE: CMU)

Quality	(10/31/90)	Maturities In Years	(10/31/90)	Dividends Record Date	Amount	Record Date	Amount
		1	4.40%	11/30/89	$0.06300	5/31/90	$0.06000
AA	5.60%	1-5	9.15%	12/29/89	$0.06000	6/29/90	$0.06000
A	1.66%	5-10	33.44%	1/31/90	$0.06000	7/31/90	$0.06000
BAA	18.29%	10-20	32.18%	2/28/90	$0.06000	8/31/90	$0.06000
BA	0.39%	20-30	19.70%	3/30/90	$0.06000	9/28/90	$0.06000
Non-rated	68.95%	30	1.13%	4/30/90	$0.06000	10/31/90	$0.06000
	100.00%		100.00%				

NAV: $8.32 DATE OF ISSUE: 3/17/87 ASSETS SIZE: $221.7 million

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COLONIAL INTERMARKET INCOME TRUST (NYSE: CMK)

Quality	(10/31/90)	Maturities In Years	(10/31/90)	Dividends Record Date	Amount	Record Date	Amount
		1	19.10%	11/15/89	$0.12000	5/15/90	$0.12000
AA	26.60%	1-5	27.70%	12/15/89	$0.12000	6/15/90	$0.10500
B	25.80%	5-10	30.00%	1/15/90	$0.12000	7/16/90	$0.10500
Non-rated	1.00%	10-20	7.50%	2/15/90	$0.12000	8/15/90	$0.10500
		20-30	15.70%	3/15/90	$0.12000	9/17/90	$0.10500

100.00% 100.00% 4/17/90 $0.12000 10/15/90 $1.05000

NAV: $10.52 DATE OF ISSUE: 9/22/89 ASSETS SIZE: $115.9 million

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CONTACT: Ann Becker or Bill Rice, both of The Colonial Group, 617-426-3750

-30- 5337

#90325p9213 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Mattel, Inc. (NYSE: MAT) has moved to 333 North Continental Blvd., El Segundo, Calif., 90246. After Wednesday, Nov. 21, Mattel Media Relations can be reached at 213-524-3524 or 213-524-3521.

CONTACT: Mattel Media Relations, 213-524-3524 or 213-524-3521

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#90325p9217 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON, MA. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Colonial Municipal Income Trust, (NYSE: CMU) a closed-end, diversified management investment company, announced today that the board of directors had declared a regular monthly distribution of 6 cents per share payable Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Bill Rice or Ann Becker of Colonial Group, 800-225-2365

-30- 550

#90325p9219 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER, (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Asset Investors Corp. (NYSE: AIC) today announced its board of directors had declared a quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share payable on Dec. 24, 1990 to stockholders of record on Dec. 10, 1990. With the payment of this dividend, Asset Investors will have paid aggregate dividends for 1990 of $1.85 per share. The increase in the fourth quarter dividend reflects management's confidence in the company's ability to meet or exceed its taxable income projection of $2.06 per share for 1990.

Spencer I. Browne, president and chief executive officer, stated that, "The company is continuing in its efforts to stabilize earnings under changing interest rate scenarios. The company decreased its exposure to LIBOR by more than $150 million during the first three quarters of 1990." "In addition, the company has acquired or has contracted to acquire four new fixed-rate residual interests during the past four months," Browne said.

Separately, responding to questions raised about Asset Investors' assets Browne said that there is little or no credit risk on Asset Investors' assets

because substantially all of the assets are either government, agency guaranteed, or insured residential mortgage certificates (GNMA, FNMA and FHLMC). The company does not own any uninsured residential or commercial mortgages or real estate as is often owned by more traditional REITs.

The company also announced that at a settlement approval hearing held on Nov. 19, 1990 before a Magistrate of the United States District Court for the Southern District of California, in which consolidated civil lawsuits against Asset Investors are pending, the Magistrate found that the previously-announced proposed settlement of those actions is fair, reasonable and adequate to the settlement class and entered an order recommending that a final judgment be entered dismissing the actions with prejudice and approving the settlement terms. The amount of the settlement, $1.3 million (which was recorded in the company's Consolidated Financial Statements as of Dec. 31, 1989), was deposited into a settlement fund on Sept. 24, 1990.

Asset Investors is a real estate investment trust that generates income primarily from a portfolio of ownership interests in issuances of collateralized mortgage obligations and other mortgage-related assets.

CONTACT: Spencer I. Browne or Michael H. Feinstein of Asset Investors Corp., 303-793-2703

-30- 2653

#90325p9221 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Colonial High Income Municipal Trust (NYSE: CXE) a closed-end, diversified management investment company, announced today that the board of directors had declared a regular monthly distribution of $0.075 per share payable Dec. 14, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Bill Rice or Ann Becker of Colonial Group, 800-225-2365

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#90325p9223 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of First Bank System, Inc. (NYSE: FBS) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 20.5 cents per share of common stock, payable Dec. 19, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business Dec. 5, 1990.

At this dividend rate, the annual dividend is equivalent to 82 cents per share. There are approximately 76.3 million shares of common stock outstanding at this date.

The directors also declared dividends on three series of the company's preferred stock. The dividends for each series are payable Dec. 31 to

shareholders of record at the close of business Dec. 10, as follows:

	Dividend Per Share Of Preferred Stock
Series 1983A	$1.70
Series 1989A	$0.65625
Series 1989B	$1.18125

CONTACT: Wendy Raway (media relations), 612-370-5154; or Thomas Rice (investor relations), 612-370-3596, both of First Bank System

-30- 1316

#90325p9224 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - MPSI Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: MPSG) reported today net income of $310,000 or 4 cents per share on revenues of $57,151,000 for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $3,139,000 or 37 cents per share on revenues of $51,507,000 for the prior year.

A net loss of $775,000 or 9 cents per share on revenues of $15,641,000 was reported for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $465,000 or 5 cents per share on revenues of $15,015,000 for the same period a year ago.

According to Ronald G. Harper, MPSI chairman, the increased revenues in fiscal 1990 were primarily attributable to increased sales of MPSI's market studies. The net loss for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 was due largely to lower sales and increased costs of its subsidiary, Execucom. Improved profitability in fiscal 1990 was due to improved margins on sales of market studies and provision for certain nonrecurring costs in fiscal 1989 related to asset write-downs, computer migration costs and reorganization expenses. Similar provisions in 1990 were relatively small.

MPSI SYSTEMS INC.

	For the Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Revenues	$15,641,000	$15,015,000
Net Income (Loss)	$ (775,000)	$ 465,000
Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share	$ (.09)	$ .05
Average Common Shares Outstanding	8,457,690	8,578,740
	For the Year Ended Sept. 30, 1990	**1989**
Revenues	$57,151,000	$51,507,000
Net Income (Loss)	$ 310,000	$(3,139,000)
Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share	$ .04	$ (.37)(a)
Average Common Shares Outstanding	8,457,524	8,509,447

(a) Includes write-down of assets, accrual of costs associated with the

migration of its systems from a mainframe to a workstation computer environment and nonrecurring reorganization and restructuring expenses totaling $2.4 million after taxes, or 28 cents per share.

CONTACT: Quentin Mantooth of MPSI Systems Inc., 918-250-9611

-30- 2514

#90325p9227 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonald & Company Investments, Inc. (NYSE: MDD) today announced that it will commence a "Dutch Auction" tender offer for up to $6,000,000 principal amount of its 8 percent convertible subordinated debentures due March 1, 2011. Under the terms of the offer, which expires at midnight, Eastern Standard Time, on Dec. 21, 1990 (unless extended), debentureholders may tender debentures at prices not greater than $70 and not less than $62 per each $100 principal amount of debentures. The company, at the close of the offer, will select a single price in the foregoing range which will result in the purchase of $6,000,000 principal amount of debentures (or such lesser principal amount of debentures as may be properly tendered). The purchase price to be paid for the debentures will be inclusive of unpaid interest accrued thereon to the date of payment. Approximately $19,380,000 in principal amount of the debentures are currently outstanding. The company will not be making any recommendations to debentureholders as to whether or not they should tender any debentures pursuant to the offer. The offer will not be conditioned on any minimum principal amount of debentures being tendered.

A spokesman for the company said the tender offer provides the company with an attractive opportunity to reduce its indebtedness and is an appropriate use of its capital. The purchase price for such debentures will be borrowed under the company's available lines of credit.

McDonald & Company Securities, Inc. is acting as dealer-manager for the offer. Details of the offer are being mailed to all debentureholders of record.

McDonald & Company Investments, Inc., through its principal subsidiary, McDonald & Company Securities, Inc., operates a regional investment banking and brokerage business in sixteen cities throughout Ohio and ten offices in Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Massachusetts, New Jersey and Texas.

CONTACT: Gordon A. Price of McDonald & Company Investments, Inc., 216-443-2795

-30- 2219

#90325p9230 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Fleet/Norstar Financial Group (NYSE: FNG) today announced adoption of Share Purchase Rights Plan and the distribution to stockholders of a dividend of one

Right for each share of Fleet/Norstar common stock outstanding on Dec. 4, 1990. The Rights are primarily designed to deter coercive or unfair takeover tactics and to enable the board of directors to ensure that stockholders receive fair and equal treatment in the face of an unsolicited takeover attempt.

Under the Rights Plan, if any person or group (other than certain institutional investors not seeking to influence the control of Fleet/Norstar) acquires beneficial ownership of 10 percent of the corporation's common stock (or such an institutional investor acquires beneficial ownership of 15 percent of the stock), holders of Rights (other than the triggering shareholder) generally will be entitled to buy, for $50 (subject to adjustment), Fleet/Norstar stock with a market value of $100. In such an event, the Fleet/Norstar board could instead elect to exchange for each outstanding Right (other than those owned by the triggering shareholder) one new share of Fleet/Norstar common stock.

The Rights may be redeemed by the board of directors for 1 cent each at any time before they are triggered, as described above. Details of the Rights distribution are contained in a letter which will be mailed to all Fleet/Norstar stockholders.

The Rights Plan was not adopted in response to any effort to acquire Fleet/Norstar, and the corporation is not aware of any such effort.

Fleet/Norstar Financial Group is a diversified national financial services company listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Fleet/Norstar has approximately 1,000 offices in 40 states. Its lines of business include commercial and consumer banking, mortgage banking, consumer finance, asset-based lending, trust banking, student loan processing, and investment banking.

CONTACT: Robert W. Lougee, Jr., 401-278-5879; Bruce P. Crooks, 401-278-6241; or Charles T. Conway, Jr., 401-278-6240, all of Fleet/Norstar

-30- 2299

#90325p9236 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Ivey Properties, Inc., at their meeting November 20, 1990 declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.18 per share on common stock outstanding payable December 14, 1990 to shareholders of record on December 3, 1990.

CONTACT: Ervin Jackson, Jr., Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, Ivey Properties, Inc ?704-334-1123.

-30- 559

#90325p9239 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND CAYMAN ISLANDS, BRITISH WEST INDIES (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE -- The directors of General Oriental Investments Limited announced the company's Unaudited Interim Results for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as attached.

The directors also announced that they have today declared an interim dividend in respect of the year ended March 31, 1991 of US$0.50 per share to be paid on Dec. 5, 1990 to shareholders on the register at the close of business on Nov. 30, 1990.

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT: On Oct. 16, 1990, we announced that we proposed to acquire from an affiliate of Hanson Industries a 42 percent stake in Newmont Mining Corporation for US$1.1 billion. Under an existing standstill agreement Newmont has the right to match our cash offer within 60 days. At the same time we announced our agreement to sell to Hanson our 85 percent interest in Cavenham Forest Industries, also for US$1.1 billion.

GENERAL ORIENTAL INVESTMENTS LIMITED
Unaudited interim results for the six months ended
Sept. 30, 1990
(in U.S.$ millions)

	1990/91 6 months to 9/30/90	1989/90 6 months to 9/30/89	1989/90 12 months to 3/31/90
Net gains on transactions in investments	40.0	--	3.1
Net trading results of timberlands and related operations	60.6	65.2	93.6
Other income net of overheads and provisions	16.8	16.4	50.9
Total	117.4	81.6	147.6
Financial charges	(16.4)	(17.1)	(32.0)
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	101.0	64.5	115.6
Taxation	(21.7)	(21.1)	(28.1)
PROFIT AFTER TAXATION	79.3	43.4	87.5
Exchange differences	1.5	--	1.3
Minority interests	(7.4)	(7.6)	(7.8)
Total	73.4	35.8	81.0
Earnings per share on the profit for the period	US$0.52	US$0.25	US$0.57

CONTACT: James M. Goldsmith, chairman of General Oriental Investments Ltd. 011-44-753-830-707

-30- 2500

#90325p9240 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDMONTON, Alberta (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Echo Bay Mines Ltd. (AMEX: ECO) said today that it is in negotiations with Alta Gold Co. (NASDAQ: ALTA) and Magma Copper Co. (AMEX: MCU) regarding the potential sale of Echo Bay's 40 percent interest in gold production at the Robinson gold and copper property in Nevada. Echo Bay declined to speculate on the outcome of such negotiations.

Alta Gold is Echo Bay's 60 percent partner in the production of gold at Robinson under a lease from Kennecott Corp., the property's owner. Alta Gold and Magma Copper said late last week that they expect to complete their planned purchase of the 12,000-acre gold and copper property from Kennecott by year-end.

Echo Bay would not comment on market rumors of the possibility of a writedown of the company's interest in the Robinson gold operation if such a potential sale were consummated. The company's investment in the Robinson operation was about US$42 million as of Sept. 30, 1990.

Echo Bay is one of the largest gold producers in North America. The company's shares are traded principally on the Toronto and American stock exchanges and on other major exchanges in North America and Europe.

CONTACT: Paddy Broughton, 303-592-5448; or Ted Sheldon, 303-592-5449 of Echo Bay Mines Ltd.

-30- 1449

#90325p9241 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Chipwich Inc. (NASDAQ: CHIPA), a major distributor of frozen and refrigerated foods to institutions in the New York Metropolitan Area, and a marketer of ice cream products, today reported financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Third quarter net income before preferred dividend was $40,058 on revenues of $11,447,209. Net available to common shareholders, after the preferred dividend of $66,000, was $(25,942). Results include a tax credit from utilization of loss carryforward of $15,000.

For the third quarter of fiscal 1989, net income was $252,188 on revenues of $11,740,663. Net income available to common shareholders for the 1989 quarter after the preferred dividend of $66,000 was $186,188 or 2 cents per share. The 1989 results also include a tax credit from utilization of loss carryforward of $85,000 or 1 cent per share.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 net income was $510,032 on revenues of $34,427,945. Net income available to common shareholders, after preferred dividend of $198,000, was $312,032, or 3 cents per share, including a tax credit of $170,000 or 2 cents per share.

In the comparable fiscal 1989 period, net income was $638,356 on revenues of $32,064,211. Net income available to common shareholders, after preferred dividend of $121,000 was $517,356, or 6 cents per share, including a tax credit of $215,000 or 2 cents per share. Results for the 1989 period include the operations of Peltz Food Corporation as of Feb. 1, 1989, the date of the merger of Peltz Food and Chipwich Inc.

Robert Peltz, chairman, and Samuel Metzger, president, noted that third quarter results showed the effects of a general decline in economic conditions in the Metropolitan New York area where the company's activities are concentrated. Additionally, third quarter results include unusually high legal fees related to the company's acquisition program.

CHIPWICH INC.
Financial Highlights (Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Sept. 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$11,447,209	$11,740,663	$34,427,945	$32,064,211
Inc. before extraord. item	25,058	167,188	340,032	423,356
Extrord. item- utilization of net oper. loss	15,000	85,000	170,000	215,000
Net income	40,058	252,188	510,032	638,356
Divs. on pfd. shrs.	66,000	66,000	198,000	121,000
Net inc. (loss) available to com. stockholders	(25,942)	186,188	312,032	517,356
Net inc. per common shr.	(.01)	.01	.01	.04
Extraordin. item	--	.01	.02	.02
Inc. per com. shr. avail. to com. shareholders	(.01)	.02	.03	.06
No. of shares used in calculation	9,529,028	9,766,528	9,579,028	9,254,528

CONTACT: Samuel Metzger of Chipwich, 212-688-8890.

-30- 3295

#90325p9244 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlanta Gas Light Company (NYSE: ATG) today filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a proposed public offering of 1 million shares of common stock ($5.00 par value) through a group of underwriters led by Merrill Lynch & Co., Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., and Interstate/Johnson Lane Corp.

The offering is scheduled to take place within the next four weeks and will be made only by means of a written prospectus, a copy of which can be obtained from the underwriters. The net proceeds from the sale of the common stock will be used to reduce short-term debt incurred primarily to finance the company's construction program.

Atlanta Gas Light Company (including its wholly owned subsidiary, Chattanooga Gas Company) is a gas distribution utility company which for the 12 months ended Sept. 30 served an average of 1,193,073 customers in Georgia and Tennessee. The company distributes approximately 75 percent of the natural gas consumed in the state of Georgia. The principal service areas include the metropolitan Atlanta and the Athens, Augusta, Brunswick, Macon, Rome, Savannah and Valdosta, Ga., areas and the Chattanooga, Tenn., area.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

CONTACT: B.L. Fackler, 404-584-3786 or J.M. Riley, 404-584-4559, both of Atlanta Gas Light Co.

-30- 2100

#90325p9245 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Catalina Lighting, Inc. (AMEX: LTG) announced that its board of directors authorized and declared a dividend distribution of one right for each share of common stock of the company outstanding at the close of business on Nov. 30, 1990.

John H. Browder, chairman and chief executive officer of Catalina, stated, "The rights are designed to assure that all of Catalina's stockholders receive fair and equal treatment in the event of any proposed takeover of the company." The Rights Plan was not adopted in response to any specific effort to acquire control of the company, and the company is not aware of any such effort.

The rights will be attached to all common stock certificates representing shares then outstanding, and no separate rights certificates will be distributed. The rights will be distributed upon the earliest of 10 days following a public announcement that a person or group of affiliated or associated persons has acquired, or obtained the right to acquire, beneficial

ownership of 20 percent or more of the outstanding shares of Catalina's common stock, or 10 days following the commencement of a tender offer or exchange offer that would result in a person or group beneficially owning 30 percent or more of such outstanding shares of common stock, or immediately after the board of directors of Catalina declares any person to be an adverse person.

Each right entitles the registered holder to purchase from Catalina one share of common stock at a price of $20 per share, subject to adjustment. If a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of Catalina's outstanding common stock, each right will entitle its holder (other than the acquiring person or members of the acquiring group) to purchase, at the right's then-current exercise price, the number of Catalina's common shares having a market value of twice such price. In addition, if Catalina is acquired in a merger or other business combination transaction in which the company is not the surviving corporation, or more than 50 percent of the company's assets or earning power is sold or transferred, each holder of a right shall thereafter have the right to receive, upon exercise, common stock of the acquiring company having a value equal to two times the exercise price of the right.

At any time until 10 days following the acquisition by a person or group of beneficial ownership of 20 percent of more of the company's common stock, the rights are redeemable for one tenth of a cent per right at the option of the board of directors. The rights are also redeemable upon a vote by the shareholders of the company if the proposed purchase price for the shares is deemed fair by a recognized investment banker.

The rights are intended to enable all Catalina stockholders to realize the long term value of their investment in the company. They will not prevent a takeover, but should encourage anyone seeking to acquire the company to negotiate with the board prior to attempting the takeover. The rights will expire at the close of business Nov. 30, 2000.

Catalina is engaged in the design, importation, warehousing, marketing and distribution of lighting fixtures, security devices, ceiling fans and other consumer products. Catalina's common stock is listed on the American Stock Exchange (LTG).

CONTACT: Dean Rappaport, chief financial officer of Catalina Lighting, Inc., 305-558-4777

-30- 3646

#90325p9247 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Georgia-Pacific Corp. (NYSE: GP), responding to a press release by International Business Consultants (IBC) on a proposed employee buyout, said that an employee buyout of the company has absolutely no chance of success.

T. Marshall Hahn Jr., Georgia-Pacific's chairman and chief executive officer, said: "I am concerned that our shareholders and our employees receive accurate and factual information, which is not the case in IBC's release, and that they do not suffer from misleading or manipulative actions of IBC.

"Georgia-Pacific does not take seriously the possibility that the group in question, IBC, could affect the buyout of the company using an employee stock ownership plan. The individuals known to Georgia-Pacific that are involved with IBC are two Arkansas realtors and a disgruntled, former Great Northern Nekoosa employee. Georgia-Pacific is not aware of credible participants in IBC," continued Hahn.

No proposal has been presented to Georgia-Pacific. "In addition to our concern for our shareholders, our concern has been and continues to be the welfare of our employees," said Hahn. "We have advised them that any financial contribution to the effort is made at their own risk."

Georgia-Pacific intends to alert the Securities and Exchange Commission for investigation of possible stock manipulation.

CONTACT: Sheila Weidman of Georgia-Pacific, 404-521-4732.

-30- 1617

#90325p9253 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NAPLES, FL. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - BancFlorida Financial Corporation (NYSE: BFL) announced today that its annual meeting of stockholders will be held on Thursday, Feb. 14, 1991 at 2 p.m. at the company's headquarters, 5801 Pelican Bay Blvd., in Naples, Fla.

BancFlorida Financial Corporation, a New York Stock Exchange company, lists total assets of approximately $1.7 billion and has 3,533,765 common and 1,138,000 preferred shares of stock outstanding.

CONTACT: J. Michael Holmes or Carol E. Girardin of BancFlorida Financial Corporation, 813-597-1611

-30- 730

#90325p9257 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeion Corporation (NASDAQ: ANGN) has retained Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. as the company's exclusive investment banker.

Bear, Stearns will assist Angeion in seeking a corporate partner willing to invest in Angeion. The investment would be used to help finance research and development activities of Angeion, its subsidiary, AngeLase, Inc., and its new proposed acquisition, XMED.

Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., based in New York, is one of the leading investment banking and securities firms in the United and internationally. It has extensive experience in the healthcare industry.

Minneapolis-based Angeion Corporation is a manufacturer of cardiovascular products. Under its subsidiary, AngeLase, Inc., it is currently engaged in the research and development of a catheter which would provide a nonsurgical cure for arrhythmia. It recently also signed a letter of intent to purchase XMED, a research-and-development company which is developing products for the automatic implantable defibrillator market. Angeion's current core business target is the angioplasty accessory market.

Angeion is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ANGN and on the Boston Stock Exchange under the symbol ANI.

CONTACT: Perry Ketchum or Brenda Roth, of Ketchum & Metz, 612-925-1924, for Angeion.

-30- 1498

#90325p9260 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

TUSTIN, CALIF. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Petrominerals Corp. (NASDAQ: PTRO) today announced the company has terminated its negotiations with Stocker Resources Inc. to act as the operator of certain Stocker's oil and gas interests in the Los Angeles Basin. Petrominerals' well servicing division, Lunn Production Service, is still planning to bid to provide service for Stocker Resources' well abandonment program which is scheduled to commence in January, 1991.

Petrominerals Corp. engages in the exploration, production and marketing of crude oil and natural gas in California and Louisiana. Lunn Production Service a division of Petrominerals Corp., services and maintains oil and gas wells for a number of major oil companies.

CONTACT: Virginia M. Lazar of Petrominerals Corp., 714-730-5400; or Doug Sherk or Ann Combs of Morgen-Walke Associates, 415-296-7383, for Petrominerals Corp.

-30- 1060

#90325p9262 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORANGE, CALIF. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Admar Group Inc. (NASDAQ: ADMR) and TPA of America Inc. jointly announced today that Admar has entered into a definitive agreement to purchase HealthCare Strategies Inc. from TPA of America for $550,000 in cash. The transaction is anticipated to close by Nov. 30, 1990. HealthCare Strategies is a Maryland-based utilization review and case management company, providing services similar to those of Admar's

HealthWatch division.

"This acquisition provides Admar with enhanced East Coast presence and support of our Washington, D.C. and Boston PPO networks and continues our expansion strategy as a national health care organization," commented Richard Toral, Admar's chief executive officer and chairman of the board.

"With the completion of this transaction, TPA has reached another milestone in the restructuring of the company. We are hopeful that we can now continue the strategic redirection of the company that began in 1989," said Elliott Weir, TPA's president.

CONTACT: Edward K. Evans, VP, or Richard Toral, CEO & Chairman of the Board of The Admar Group Inc., 714-953-9600; or Thomas E. Greene III, Chairman of the Board, 404-549-8338, or Elliott Weir, President, 512-328-3488, both of TPA of America Inc.

-30- 1452

#90325p9264 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

WATERBURY, Conn. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - At their meeting on Nov. 21, 1990, the board of directors of American Bank of Connecticut (AMEX: BKC) declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.33 per share on the outstanding common stock, the bank announced today.

The dividend is payable Dec. 21, 1990 to stockholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: Betty Ann Veillette, vice president of American Bank of Connecticut, 203-757-9401

-30- 612

#90325p9266 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - National Gypsum Co. announced today that it has received final approval from the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, to utilize the full $105 million made available under a Debtor-In-Possession revolving credit agreement previously completed with General Electric Capital Corp. On Nov. 1, 1990, the court has approved up to an initial $25 million for immediate availability to the company.

The company also announced that it has today terminated its receivables facility with Citicorp North America Inc. and affiliates, utilizing approximately $30 million in cash collateral held for Citicorp and approximately $28 million from the new revolving credit facility. The balance of the new facility will be used for the company's operating needs.

National Gypsum Co. and its parent, Aancor Holdings Inc., filed voluntary

petitions on Oct. 28, 1990, for protection under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. The Austin Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of National Gypsum, was not included in the filing.

CONTACT: Allan V. Cecil, vice president-public affairs, National Gypsum Co., 214-740-4544

-30- 1363

#90325p9268 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Huntington Bancshares Incorporated (NASDAQ: HBAN) today declared a regular fourth quarter dividend of $.20 per common share payable Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 10, 1990.

Huntington Bancshares is a $12 billion regional bank holding company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. The Company's banking subsidiaries operate 261 offices in Ohio, Florida, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Pennsylvania, West Virginia. In addition, Huntington's mortgage, trust, investment banking and automobile finance subsidiaries manage 34 offices in the seven states mentioned as well as Delaware, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Rhode Island, and Virginia.

Huntington's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System using the symbol "HBAN".

CONTACT: Debra Dendahl Hadley of Huntington Bancshares Incorporated, 614-463-4304

-30- 1105

#90325p9270 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - A.G. Automotive Warehouses Inc. (NASDAQ: AGAWA) announced today that sales for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $4,630,299 with a net loss of approximately $2,672,000 million during the same period. Included in the net loss were the pre-opening expenses for a new warehouse, located in Phoenix, and which opened the last week of September.

The company also reported that sales for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $10,845,794. During the same period, the company experienced a net loss of approximately $6,220,939 million which included pre-opening expenses and grand opening advertising for the first three warehouses.

Franklin Roberts, president and chief executive officer, stated, "We are very pleased with the sales results for the first three quarters of the company's operation."

Auto Giant offers a wide selection of quality, brand-name automotive products at discount prices to retail and commercial customers. Auto Giant warehouses average 50,000 to 75,000 square feet, and offer approximately 17,000 items including automotive accessories, batteries, maintenance and repair parts, sound systems, cellular phones, tires and custom wheels. Each Auto Giant warehouse also contains a full-equipped automotive service center staffed with trained technicians.

CONTACT: Douglas MacLellan (investors) of A.G. Automotive Warehouses Inc., 213-491-3500.

-30- 1619

#90325p9271 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CALIF. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - A.G. Automotive Warehouses Inc. (NASDAQ: AGAWA) announced today that sales for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $4,630,299 with a net loss of approximately $2,672,000 million during the same period. Included in the net loss were the pre-opening expenses for a new warehouse, located in Phoenix, and which opened the last week of September.

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CONTACT: Douglas MacLellan (investors) of A.G. Automotive Warehouses Inc., 213-491-3500

-30- 1642

#90325p9277 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALISADES PARK, NJ (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Metrobank Financial Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: MFGR), the parent company of FDIC insured Metrobank for Savings, FSB, announced today that a recalculation of its regulatory capital ratios for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990 resulted in tangible capital, core capital and

risk-based capital ratios of 1.43 percent, 1.43 percent, and 3.05 percent of adjusted total assets, respectively.

The bank had previously announced different capital ratios and that it had met the 1.5 percent tangible capital requirement.

CONTACT: Kevin M. Lenihan of Metrobank Financial Group, 201-585-7000, ext. 4275

-30- 795

#90325p9283 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Pacific (NYSE: SPC) said that Michael S. Heschel has resigned his position as chairman and chief executive officer of Security Pacific Automation Co. (SPAC) to pursue other business opportunities. Heschel joined Security Pacific in April 1990 from Baxter International where he had been corporate vice president for information services. Heschel's resignation was effective Nov. 15, 1990.

John P. Singleton, vice chairman and chief operating officer of Security Pacific Corp. and former chairman and chief executive officer of the Automation Company subsidiary, will reassume those additional responsibilities on an interim basis.

Security Pacific Automation Company, with 6,000 employees, is the technology subsidiary of Security Pacific Corp., the nation's fifth largest bank holding company.

CONTACT: Penny Maines, 213-345-4903, or Cal Lockett, 213-345-5466, of Security Pacific Corp.

-30- 1120

#90325p9286 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, NY (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Texaco Inc. (NYSE: TX) announced today that its wholly owned finance subsidiary, Texaco Capital Inc., is issuing $200 million of 7-year notes in a public offering. These securities, which will mature on Nov. 15, 1997, are being offered at a price of 100.00 percent of par with an interest coupon rate of 9.00 percent. Texaco Inc. will unconditionally guarantee the securities.

Proceeds from the sale will be loaned to Texaco Inc. or its subsidiaries to be used for the refinancing of existing debt.

The sale is being offered through an underwriting group led by Salomon Brothers Inc and co-managed by Morgan Stanley & Co. and The First Boston Corporation. The debt securities are issued under a shelf registration statement that was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in

October 1990.

CONTACT: Texaco media relations, 914-253-4177.

-30- 1077

#90325p9289 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CALIF. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc. (NASDAQ: HQOSA) reported today that the sales for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $19,176,817, with a net loss of approximately $6.2 million for the same period.

The company also reported that sales for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $59,695,397, with a net loss of approximately $11.4 million for the same period.

HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc.'s 15 current locations utilize a merchandising strategy offering a wide selection of quality, brand- name office products, including general office supplies, business machines, office furniture and other business-related products at discount prices primarily to small and medium-sized businesses. The stores average at least 25,000 square feet of selling space with an inventory of approximately 7,000 stock keeping units.

CONTACT: Douglas MacLellan or Lori Mahoney of HQ Office Supplies, (investors) 213-491-3500

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#90325p9291 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse (NASDAQ: HQOIU) reported today that the sales for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $4,255,396 with a net loss of approximately $1.5 million for the same period.

The company also reported that sales for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $6,632,731, with a net loss of approximately $3.4 million.

A one-stop resource for small- to medium-sized businesses and individual customers, Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse offers approximately 7,000 business-related products at discounts of up to 70 percent off retail prices recommended by manufacturers or listed by other retailers. In addition to a wide selection of quality, brand name office products, including office supplies, business machines, office furniture, computers and computer software Great Canadian features complete business service centers offering copying, printing, mailing and fax services.

Great Canadian Office Supplies Warehouse opened its first warehouse superstore

in Richmond, British Columbia, in March 1990, and has since opened two warehouse superstores in Edmonton, Alberta, and one warehouse superstore in Victoria, British Columbia.

CONTACT: Douglas MacLellan of HQ Office International Inc., (investors) 213-491-3500

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#90325p9297 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Dresser Industries Inc. (NYSE: DI) today announced that Rebecca Morris has been named Secretary and Corporate Counsel of the company.

Morris joined Dresser in 1978 and was elected Assistant Secretary in 1984. She has a BBA in accounting and a JD from Southern Methodist University.

Dresser also said Stanley E. McGlothlin has been elected Assistant Secretary, succeeding Morris. McGlothlin formerly was Attorney, Corporate Administration.

McGlothlin has been part of the Dresser organization since 1984. He earned a BS in Economics from Texas A&M University and a JD from Southern Methodist University.

Headquartered in Dallas, Dresser is a major supplier of highly engineered products and services primarily utilized in energy-related activities throughout the world.

CONTACT: H.M. Ryan of Dresser Industries Inc., 214-740-6757

-30- 1054

#90325p9300 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST BRUNSWICK, NJ (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Specialty Retail Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: SRSI) today announced the signing of an asset purchase agreement with the Bonat Group, Inc. and Bonat of Canada, Ltd., "professional hair care manufacturers." The closing will take place as soon as approval is received under the New Jersey Environmental Clean-Up Responsibility Act (ECRA) which is expected by early December.

Bonat, a 90-year-old professional hair care company, will become a division of Salon Technology, a wholly owned subsidiary of SRS. Murray Steinfink, CEO, stated, "Bonat, in conjunction with the recently acquired Zachi International, significantly expands our presence in servicing the salon industry." Steinfink further stated that the company is continuing to aggressively seek additional acquisitions.

The company reported announced its third-quarter results reporting third

quarter 1990 sales of $8,577,000 compared with third-quarter 1989 sales of $8,167,000, an increase of 5 percent. Nine-month 1990 sales totaled $25,977,000 compared with $24,262,000 in the nine months of 1989, an increase of 7 percent.

In the third quarter of 1990 there was a net loss of $224,000 compared with net income of $194,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The third quarter of 1989 includes a $139,000 gain on the repurchase of subordinated notes payable. For the nine months of 1990 there was a net loss of $123,000, or 2 cents a share, compared with a net income of $176,000, or 4 cents a share, for the nine months of 1989. The nine months of 1989 includes a $139,000 gain on repurchase of subordinated notes payable.

Steinfink stated, "The company's third-quarter 1990 net loss of $224,000, which included $86,000 in new business start-up costs, was the result of pressure on chain store margins and increased advertising and merchandising expenditures necessary to maintain our overall market share. In October, the company instituted several cost reduction programs. Although the fourth quarter will be a difficult period we anticipate the company's return to profitability in early 1991."

Specialty Retail Services, Inc. is a marketer of a broad range of professional beauty products, including hair care, nail care, cosmetics, skin care and other beauty accessories to salons, independent and chain drug stores, supermarkets, mass merchandisers, warehouse clubs and other retail distributors. The company believes it is one of the largest independent distributors of professional hair care products to retail in the 13 mid-Atlantic or Northeastern states.

SPECIALTY RETAIL SERVICES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Selected Quarterly Data
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Third quarter		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales, net	$8,577,000	$8,167,000	$25,977,000	$24,262,000
(Loss) inc. bef. extraord. item	(192,000)	35,000	(123,000)	24,000
Extraord. item(A)	(32,000)	159,000	--	152,000
(Loss) income	(224,000)	194,000	(123,000)	176,000
Per share data: (Loss) inc. bef. extraord. item	$(0.03)	--	$(0.02)	--
Extraord. item(A)	(0.01)	0.04	--	0.04
(Loss) income	(0.04)	0.04	(0.02)	0.04
Avg. wtd. no. of com. shares outstdg.	5,512,500	4,309,375	5,512,500	4,027,742

(A) -- Extraordinary item represents a tax benefit as a result of utilization of the company's operating loss carryforward and in the third quarter of 1989

a gain of $139,000 on the repurchase of $312,500 principal amount of subordinated note payable.

CONTACT: Murray Steinfink, CEO of Specialty Retail Services, 201-390-1199

-30- 4047

#90325p9301 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Index Technology Corporation (NASDAQ: INDX) today announced that Stephen F. Wright, senior vice president of field operations, has accepted a position with Mainstream Software.

Wright is taking an equity position, effective immediately, as senior vice president of worldwide sales and marketing at Waltham, Mass.-based Mainstream Software, a subsidiary of an established European systems integrator involved primarily in computer-integrated manufacturing (CIM) software.

Headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., Index Technology is a leading developer of computer-aided software engineering (CASE) products with subsidiaries in Europe and the Pacific Rim.

CONTACT: Molly Seibel of Index Technology, 617-494-8200; or Doug Black of Miller Communications, 617-536-0470, for Index Technology

-30- 1008

#90325p9302 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Hologic, Inc. (NASAQ: HOLX) today announced that the company had, along with the executive officers and certain directors of the company, received notice of a class action complaint filed against it following release of its fiscal 1990 year-end results and preliminary estimates for 1991. The company, along with counsel, is currently reviewing the complaint and believes that this complaint is groundless and without merit. The company intends to vigorously defend against all of the claims made in the complaint. The company believes the recent decline in its stock price is unwarranted in relation to the future market for the company's products and its growth prospects.

Hologic, Inc. develops, manufactures and markets proprietary x-ray systems. The company's QDR-1000 x-ray bone densitometers are used for the precise measurement of bone density to assist in the diagnosis and monitoring of osteoporosis and other metabolic bone diseases. Osteoporosis, a condition characterized by decreased bone density and increased risk of fractures, occurs primarily in older women.

CONTACT: S. David Ellenbogen, president; or Glenn Muir, controller both of Hologic, Inc., 617-890-2300

-30- 1389
#90325p9307 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

TWINSBURG, OHIO (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Hitachi Medical Systems America, Inc. today announced that it will introduce two new magnetic resonance imaging devices to the U.S. market. Commercial marketing will begin with introduction at the 1990 Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) meeting beginning in Chicago on Nov. 25, 1990.

The MRP-5000 is an enhanced version of the MRP-20, Hitachi's very successful 0.2 Tesla product, which was introduced in November 1989. The MRP-5000 features Hitachi's new HS/MR coil technology for improved image quality plus additional options for increasing patient throughput. All enhancements are upgradable to the MRP-20.

The MRP-7000 features a new 0.3 Tesla vertical-field permanent magnet and a powerful new Hitachi computer. The MRP-7000 extremely efficient system operation and rapid imaging techniques allow throughput which rivals the more expensive high-field systems. Both systems continue to offer the low operating costs, ease of siting and high reliability which have made Hitachi permanent magnet design so popular. More than 25 systems have been installed in 1990.

Hitachi Medical Systems America, Inc. is a joint venture company formed in June 1989 by Hitachi Medical Corporation of Japan and Summit World Trade of Hudson, Ohio.

Hitachi Medical Coporation, a subsidiary of Hitachi, Ltd., (NYSE: HIT) employs 2,000 people in the manufacture, sale and service of a variety of medical equipment. In addition to MR Imaging, its products include nuclear medicine equipment, diagnostic X-ray systems, CT scanners, ultrasound imaging equipment therapy equipment, hospital accounting terminals and related equipment for medical applications.

Summit was formed in 1987 to provide sales, service, marketing, and engineering support to domestic and foreign manufacturers of medical equipment.

CONTACT: Richard L. Ernst, 216-425-1313, of Hitachi Medical Systems America

-30- 2141
#90325p9310 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

POTTSTOWN, PA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - STV Engineers Inc. (NASDAQ: STVI), consulting engineers, architects and planners, today reported net income of $231,000 or 16 cents per share on revenues of $76,379,000 for fiscal 1990, which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares to a loss of 97 cents per share on revenues of $75,011,000 in

the prior fiscal year.

For the fourth quarter, the firm reported a net loss of $173,000 or 11 cents per share on revenues of $21,050,000. In the same quarter of fiscal 1989, the firm reported a net income of $110,000 or 7 cents per share.

The current economic slowdown in the real estate market and construction industry was primarily responsible for the fourth quarter loss.

Despite the uncertainty in the economy, STV continues to receive new contracts such as a California rail maintenance facility; a federal prison in Brooklyn, N.Y.; four prison projects in Pennsylvania; the rehabilitation of 32 bridges in New Jersey, and a plant expansion for a large chemical company.

The company is continuing its efforts to improve profitability in its operations during the new fiscal year.

STV ENGINEERS INC.
(Unaudited; amounts in thousands)

Periods ended	Three months		12 months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$21,050	$19,682	$76,379	$75,011
Net income (loss)	(173)	110	231	(1,420)
Earnings per common share:				
Earnings (loss) per common share	($.11)	$.07	$.16	($.97)
Average common shares(A)	1,516,421	1,470,268	1,485,652	1,470,268

(A) Based on weighted average number of shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Debra Trace of STV Engineers, 215-326-4600.

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#90325p9313 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Baltimore Bancorp (NYSE: BBB), the parent company of The Bank of Baltimore, today announced the regular quarterly dividend of $.15 per share payable Jan. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

Baltimore Bancorp had consolidated total assets of $3.5 billion at Sept. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Gerald B. Kracke Sr. of Baltimore Bancorp, 301-244-3456

-30- 559

#90325p9315 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Air Line Pilots Association announced today that the pilots of Midway Airlines have reached a tentative agreement on a new labor contract with the Chicago-based air carrier.

No details of the new contract have been released pending ratification.

CONTACT: John Mazor of the Air Line Pilots Association, 202-797-4060

-30- 511

#90325p9316 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEVELAND (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - M.A. Hanna Company (NYSE/MSE: MAH) today announced it has cancelled plans to divest its Day International Printing and Textile Company.

In September, Hanna had announced its intention to divest the business, which has annual sales of $100 million.

"We have received several legitimate offers for the business. However, in the current economic environment, the prices being offered are not reflective of the true value of Day International to Hanna's stockholders," said Hanna Chairman Martin D. Walker.

Walker emphasized that Hanna intends to support and improve Day International, which possesses strong technology, leadership positions in the markets it serves, a seasoned management team and state-of-the- art manufacturing facilities.

Day International Printing and Textile is headquartered in Dayton, Ohio, and has four manufacturing facilities.

M.A. Hanna Company is a leading international formulated polymers company.

CONTACT: Margot Klima, 216-589-4018, or Barbara Gould, 216-589-4085, both of M. A. Hanna Company

-30- 1259

#90325p9320 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
HILLSBORO, OR (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Lattice Semiconductor Corp. (NASDAQ: LSCC) today announced that revenues and earnings for the third quarter ending Dec. 29, 1990, are currently expected to be significantly less than revenues and earnings for the second quarter.

Cyrus Tsui, Lattice's president and chief executive officer, said that Lattice's bookings in the current quarter have been lower than anticipated. "Our bookings in the quarter to date have not reflected the increase that

normally occurs in the fall. Given the current economic situation and, in particular, the slowness of the PC market, we do not foresee a strong pickup in customer demand for the remainder of the quarter. Because activity levels remain uncertain, it is too early to predict the extent to which revenues and earnings will be affected," Tsui said.

Lattice Semiconductor Corp. based in Hillsboro, Ore., designs, develops and markets high-speed E2CMOS(R) programmable logic devices (PLDs). The company's proprietary PLDs, known as GAL(R) (Generic Array Logic1/8TM3/8) devices, provide electronic systems companies with quickly designed and easily configured components. PLDs shorten design cycles and reduce development costs by allowing the customer to quickly and efficiently incorporate different logic functions on a single device. Products are sold worldwide through an extensive network of independent sales representatives and distributors, primarily to OEM customers in the fields of microcomputers, computer peripherals, graphic systems, workstations, telecommunications and industrial controls. Company headquarters are located at 5555 NE Moore Court, Hillsboro, Ore., 97124; telephone 503-681-0118; fax 503-681-3077; telex 277338 LSC UR.

E2CMOS and GAL are registered trademarks of Lattice Semiconductor Corp.
Generic Array Logic is a trademark of Lattice Semiconductor Corp.

CONTACT: Marge Breya of KVO Public Relations, 503-645-1551, or after hours, 503-642-7749, for Lattice Semiconductor; or Jan Johannessen of Lattice Semiconductor, 503-681-0118.

-30- 2261

#90325p9323 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Quest Medical, Inc. (NASDAQ: QMED) and Clini-Therm Corporation (NASDAQ: CLIN; PSE: CLI) jointly announced today that on Nov. 16 Clini-Therm and its wholly owned subsidiary, Ntronix, Inc., filed petitions seeking voluntary reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, and that Quest joined in the plan of reorganization filed in connection with this proceeding. Quest and Clini-Therm had jointly announced on Oct. 31 that a "cooperative bankruptcy" reorganization would be sought.

CONTACT: Thomas C. Thompson, president of Clini-Therm, 214-387-2740, or Larry Howell of Howell Communications, 214-340-9994

-30- 823

#90325p9324 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARSIPPANY, N.J. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - General Public Utilities Corporation (NYSE: GPU) today announced that its New Jersey subsidiary, Jersey Central Power & Light Company (JCP&L), has received final approval of an increase in annual base rates of $95.5 million.

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU) approved a stipulation between JCP&L, the BPU staff and the New Jersey Public Advocate's Division of Rate Counsel. That agreement settled JCP&L's original $156 million base rate filing made in November 1989.

"The stipulation resolves many important issues and provides a level of revenues which will permit the company to continue to meet its public utility obligation," said James R. Leva, president of JCP&L.

"At the same time, our average charge for a kilowatt-hour continues to be below rates in effect in 1985, and JCP&L's rates remain competitive with our neighboring utilities. Since that time, the number of customers JCP&L serves has increased by nearly 100,000."

The stipulation also provides for funding decommissioning of the company's nuclear generating stations predicated upon both the Nuclear Regulatory Commission guidelines for the decommissioning of nuclear power plants and the cost of removing non-radiological materials from the sites. In addition, JCP&L will contribute $30 million to a decommissioning trust. Half of this amount will not be reflected in customer charges.

GPU is a registered electric utility holding company with three operating subsidiaries: JCP&L, Pennsylvania Electric Company and Metropolitan Edison Company. The GPU system provides about 39 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity to more than 1.8 million customers in a service territory encompassing about half the land area of Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

CONTACT: George Koodray of General Public Utilities Corporation, 201-455-8594

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#90325p9332 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, VA. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - NVR L.P. (AMEX: NVR) today announced a pre-tax provision of $169.1 million relating to decisions made in connection with the operational restructuring of the company. The provision was the primary reason for a 1990 third quarter loss of $172.3 million ($6.02 per unit), also announced today. In the third quarter of 1989, the company reported net income of $9.6 million (34 cents per unit).

NVR Chairman Dwight Schar said: "As a result of our intense review of the current market for new homes and the new environment for financing real estate projects, with the assistance of Kenneth Leventhal & Company, we have decided to focus on our core homebuilding and financial services operations, exit geographical markets where we don't envision strong future profits, cease land acquisition and development activities, and readjust our product offerings to emphasize the affordable homes segment of the market in line with current market opportunities."

He said that the key components of NVR's restructured operations include:

-- NVR continues to be a holding company with two separate but related business segments: homebuilding and financial services. Home buyers are thereby offered a full range of new home products and associated services including mortgage lending, title insurance, and consumer banking.

-- The homebuilding operation is focusing on its most profitable projects and markets and has been downsized to control costs and gain marketing efficiency. Management of the homebuilding operations has been centralized, several regional offices have been consolidated, and the company is withdrawing from several of its marginally performing market areas, leaving the homebuilding operations focused primarily in the Washington, Baltimore and Pittsburgh markets, and to a lesser degree in several secondary markets.

-- The company has ceased making land acquisitions. A management group has been established specifically to oversee the orderly disposition of current land development projects and land development operations have been substantially reduced.

-- The building products manufacturing plants in Manassas, Va., and Jamestown, Ohio, are being closed.

CONTACT: Doug Poretz of NVR L.P., 703-761-2010 or, after hours, 703-448-1312

-30- 2498

#90325p9336 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIROSHIMA, JAPAN (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Mazda Motor Corporation (MC) today announced it would issue new convertible bonds valued at 80 billion yen ($620 million)(a) on Dec. 10, 1990. The issue price of the securities will be 100 yen per 100 yen par value, with a March 31, 1999, maturity date.

The decision to undertake this issuance was made based on overall considerations such as the current movement of the market and interest rates, as well as the necessity to raise new funds.

Previously, MC announced on Sept. 20 its intention to issue Japanese yen convertible bonds totaling 100 billion yen. Cancellation of that issuance was announced on Sept. 28. The cancellation was due to considerations about the then-current financial market environment.

The conversion price will be 2.5 percent up from the closing price of Mazda stock on the Tokyo Stock Exchange Nov. 30, 1990, provided that the conversion price is 502 yen or higher.

The coupon rate will be determined by the board of directors later this month.

The subscription period for the offering will be Dec. 3 to Dec. 7, 1990. Funds from the offering will be used for investment in new and existing facilities.

(a) -- calculated $1 equals 129 yen.

CONTACT: Tom McDonald or Rick Deneau of Mazda, 313-393-3315

-30- 1472

#90325p9342 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DURHAM, NC (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Home Savings and Loan Association, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HSLD) has declared a cash dividend of $.15 per share on the Association's outstanding common stock. The dividend is payable on Dec. 28, 1990 to stockholders of record as of Dec. 7, 1990.

Home Savings and Loan Association, Inc. is headquartered in Durham, North Carolina, with offices in Roxboro and Chapel Hill. Its common stock is traded over-the-counter and is quoted under the symbol HSLD on the NASDAQ National Market System.

CONTACT: C. Darrell DeLoatche or Rex D. Williams, 919-682-9161, both of Home Savings and Loan Association, Inc.

-30- 840

#90325p9347 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CALIF. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - CNet Technology Inc. announced that it has signed an agreement with Westcon Inc. of Eastchester, N.Y. to distrubute CNet's line of local area networking (LAN) products.

"CNet has added a strong distributor in the Northeast to balance our sales and marketing efforts in such a crucial geographic and business area," commented Henry H. Wong, executive vice president of sales and marketing at CNet. "Additionally, we are refining our existing channel by focusing sales and marketing resources on distributors specializing in networking products."

Tom Dolan, director of sales and marketing for Westcon says, "Carrying the CNet line of products allows us to enhance our product offering in the networking market. And with a five-year warranty, CNet's products offer a cost effective, highly reliable solution to Westcon's dealer base."

CNet Technology Inc. designs, develops, manufactures and markets a complete line of local area network (LAN), wide area network (WAN), data communications and microcomputer products. Founded in 1987, CNet Technology Inc. is a privately held corporation located in San Jose.

CONTACT: David Bergener or Denise Allison of CNet Technology, 408-954-8000

-30- 1414

#90325p9351 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

RAVENSWOOD, W.VA. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - United Steelworkers of America (USW) members who have been locked out by Ravenswood Aluminum Corp. (RAC) have been advised by the union that they have no duty to comply with the company's Nov. 19 offer that they return to work under terms of the company's last contract offer, it was announced today.

RAC ordered its 1,800 workers to leave their jobs on Oct. 31, when their contract expired and the company broke off negotiations on a new agreement, a spokesman for USW said. The workers are members of USW Local 5668.

USW Staff Representative Joe C. Chapman denied RAC's claim that the company and the union are at a bargaining impasse. He said the USW is filing charges with the National Labor Relations Board over this issue.

The company's most recent offer was given to the union on Nov. 13, and the union is committed to making a counter offer on Nov. 28, jwhen the parties are scheduled to meet in Pittsburgh with federal mediator Carmon Newell, Chapman said.

"This does not indicate that the parties are entrenched in their respective positions and are at an impasse," Chapman said. He noted that the union had offered on several occasions to continue working under terms of the expired contract while negotiations continue for a new agreement.

Chapman said that the company's so-called "final offer" would eliminate cost-of-living adjustments and a metal price bonus, which could cost each member as mush as $2 per hour. The company's offer would leave pensions far behind those provided USW members by other aluminum producers, and other economic and non-economic provisions in the company's offer would have an adverse effect on USW members, Chapman said.

"This is a profitable company which is asking the union and its members to accept an inferior contract, in wages, benefits and working conditions," Chapman said. "We are urging our members to support their negotiating committee and to reject the company's offer for a return to work under the terms of its substandard proposal."

CONTACT: Joe C. Chapman of USW, 304-768-7395

-30- 2289

#90325p9352 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDINA, MINN. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Audio King Inc. was notified today by

AudioVideo magazine that it is the recipient for the second year in a row of the AudioVideo Retailer Top 10 Award. The award is made to the top 10 dealers in the United States in recognition of outstanding achievement in sales performance, customer service, and professionalism in the conduct of business during the past year, as verified by AudioVideo's annual national survey among leading manufacturers. The award will be presented by AudioVideo International at the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas in January.

Audio King's president, Gary Thorne, said, "We are thrilled to be recognized by our peers as a Top 10 Retailer. This award is indeed prestigious when you consider there are approximately 45,000 consumer electronics retailers in the United States. It will be my pleasure to receive this award on behalf of the Audio King employees whose hard work and dedication to excellence have earned this honor."

Audio King, Inc., is the only operating subsidiary of Image Retailing Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: IMAG), a holding company formed in 1985 for the purpose of operating specialty consumer electronics stores. Audio King operates 11 stores in Minnesota and one in South Dakota.

CONTACT: Gary Thorne of Audio King, 612-922-9217

-30- 1506

#90325p9363 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Castle Harlan Inc., a New York merchant bank and Quantum Overseas, N.V., a $2 billion investment fund, said Federal Bankruptcy Judge Warren H. Bentz of the Western District of Pennsylvania today confirmed their plan of reorganization to bring Sharon Steel Corporation out of Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings.

The judge's action followed a confirmation hearing Tuesday in Erie, Pa. Sharon Steel had filed for protection from its creditors under the federal bankruptcy laws in April 1987. The plan to bring the company out of bankruptcy had been under development for more than a year.

The two parties said they expected the reorganization transaction to close shortly to a number of conditions, including financing, which Castle Harlan indicated it was confident was in place.

As approved by Bentz, the reorganization plan had been modified to, among other things, reduce the principal amount of the notes to be issued to holders of general unsecured claims from $25 million to $17.5 million, and to include $7.5 million principal amount of the notes as a component of a private placement.

Castle Harlan and Quantum also reported that the new collective bargaining

agreement to be entered into by the successor steel company to Sharon Steel had been ratified last week by approximately 58 percent of the United Steel Workers of America who are employees of the steel division of Sharon Steel.

Sharon's headquarters is in Farrell, Pa. The company operates an integrated steel mill producing 1.2 million tons per year and concentrating on the specialty steel business. It also has other subsidiaries, including Mueller Brass Co. and a Natural Resources segment with mining properties.

CONTACT: Charles Storer of Robert Marston and Associates, 212-371-2200, for Castle Harlan

-30- 2018

#90325p9382 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Tandy Corp. (NYSE: TAN) announced today that it has filed a shelf registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to the offering from time to time of up to $500 million of its debt securities.

Tandy is a multinational marketer and manufacturer of consumer electronics and personal computers, combining a broad retail distribution system with an extensive manufacturing base. It is engaged in such diverse technologies as audio, video, telephony, personal computers and magnetic media.

Although a registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, it has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

CONTACT: Philip M. Bradtmiller of Tandy Corp., 817-390-3730

-30- 1405

#90325p9385 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MI. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First of America Bank Corporation (NYSE: FOA) declared a quarterly dividend on the company's Common Stock at its board meeting held today, announced Daniel R. Smith, chairman and chief executive officer. A dividend of $.30 per common share is payable on Jan. 25, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 21, 1990.

The previous dividend on First of America's Common Stock was $.30 per share, paid on Oct. 19, 1990. "This declaration represents our second dividend at

the new increased rate adopted August 1990, and is a reflection of our confidence in our outlook for earnings," explained Smith.

First of America Bank Corporation, with $13 billion in assets, is headquartered in Kalamazoo. The company's 34 affiliate banks provide financial services to nearly 300 communities in Illinois, Indiana and Michigan through a network of more than 400 offices.

CONTACT: Thomas W. Lambert, 616-383-9012, or Martha A. Melone, 616-383-9121, both of First of America; or Heather Wietzel of the Financial Relations Board, 312-266-7800, for First of America Bank Corporation

-30- 1321

#90325p9390 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern Bell said today that approximately 40,000 of its 4 million Florida customers will be getting refunds as the result of an internal company investigation.

The customers are located in various Florida cities served by Southern Bell offices in Orlando and West Palm Beach. Most of the affected customers have been notified by mail, others will be notified soon.

An internal company inquiry was initiated when several customers advised to Southern Bell that they had been charged for a service they had not authorized. The review led to the dismissal of five employees in Orlando and West Palm Beach.

The refunds, including interest, could range from about $7 to about $35 depending on when the unauthorized charge was placed on the customer's bill.

Southern Bell is making refunds to all customers who had the service added by employees whose sales results were questionable. Thus, Southern Bell has structured the refund to make sure that all customers who might be entitled to a refund will receive one.

"The addition of any service without a customer's permission was clearly wrong and will not be tolerated," company spokesman Spero Canton said. "The charge resulted in most of these customers' bills being increased by $1 per month."

The company's internal investigation to date has not revealed any similar activities elsewhere in Florida.

The unauthorized actions stopped in May when Southern Bell changed its procedures to assure that all sales referrals are verified with the customer.

"We absolutely deplore these incidents which call into question the integrity of our relationship with our customers. Our company takes that relationship

seriously and we intend to protect it," Canton said.

In a letter to affected customers, Southern Bell stated:

"We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused you. Southern Bell appreciates your business and values you as a customer."

The total amount of the refund is expected to be about $600,000. Customers with questions may call 800-522-BELL, Extension 300.

CONTACT: Spero C. Canton of Southern Bell, 305-530-5405 (office), or 305-758-6687 (home)

-30- 2375

#90325p9395 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

JERSEY CITY, NJ (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Siggi B. Wilzig, chairman and president of The Trust Company of New Jersey, is proud to announce the grand opening of a new branch office in Sayerville, located at the corner of Washington and Ernston in the Sayerbrook Towne Shopping Center. This is The Trust Company's fifth branch in Middlesex County. A ribbon cutting ceremony on Wednesday, Nov. 28, will open the celebration. Miss New Jersey-USA, Charlotte Ray, will be on hand to sign autographs. Luncheon will be served.

On Wednesday, Nov. 28, from 5 to 7 p.m., meet the Giants' backfield: Ottis Anderson, Rodney Hampton, Dave Meggett and Lewis Tillman. On Friday, Nov. 30, from 5 to 7 p.m., meet the Giants' defense: Reyna Thompson, Steve De Ossie, Everson Walls and Gary Reasons. On Saturday, Dec. 1, from 5 to 7 p.m., Joe Morris, Giants' running back, will make a personal appearance. Free valuable gifts will be given to the first 100 patrons daily. Free autographed pictures of your favorite sports personalities will be available.

The Trust Company has more banking hours than any other bank, and is also pleased to offer the 24-hour MAC PLUS System at its new location. In addition, The Trust Company offers Totally Free Checking Accounts.

The Trust Company, a commercial bank headquartered in Jersey City, with assets of $1.9 billion, has 38 branches throughout the state, and is FDIC-insured. The Trust Company has provided banking services to the public for over 95 years and was recently cited by the Business Journal of New Jersey as "the healthiest billion dollar bank is The Trust Company of New Jersey."

CONTACT: Kurt F. Landis of The Trust Company of New Jersey, 201-420-2647

-30- 1879

#90325p9400 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Campeau Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CMPA) today announced that its board of directors has appointed Stanley H. Hartt, Q.C. a director and chairman of the board.

Hartt succeeds Robert Despres who was appointed as interim chairman on Aug. 10 1990. Despres continues to serve as a director of the corporation. Hartt was appointed chief executive officer and president of Campeau Corporation on Nov. 9, 1990.

CONTACT: Richard W. Wertheim of Wertheim Howe & Company Inc., 416-594-1600, or home at 416-276-6612

-30- 716

#90325p9409 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Metalclad Corp. (NASDAQ: MTLC) announced today that it experienced a net loss from operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of ($73,346) compared to net income from operations of $740,394 for the comparable period in 1989. Net income from operations for the third quarter of 1990 was $75,828 compared to $224,906 for the third quarter of 1989. Net income for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989 was $1,155,000 including an extraordinary item of $392,000 from utilization of net operating loss carryforwards.

Revenues, derived principally from insulation contracting services, asbestos abatement services and insulation material sales, were $20,206,126 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 compared to $22,730,325 in the comparable period in 1989.

The company experienced a net loss per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of ($.02) compared to net income per share (fully diluted) of $.17 for the comparable period in 1989. Net income for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $.02 compared to $.05 for the comparable period in 1989.

The net loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 is primarily attibutable to a decrease in oil refinery maintenance work from one of the company's principal customers, increased competition among insulation contractors in the Southern California market, and increased general and administrative costs.

Metalclad Corp. is engaged in industrial insulation services, asbestos abatement services, and insulation material sales to customers primarily in the western United States.

METALCLAD CORP.
Summary of Finanical Information
(unaudited)

9 Months Ended Sept. 30		3 Months Ended Sept. 30	
1990	1989	1990	1989

Revenues	$20,206,126	$22,730,325	$8,050,454	$7,525,128
Costs and expenses	20,279,472	21,916,931	7,974,626	7,288,222
Income before taxes	(73,346)	813,394	75,828	236,906
Income taxes	---	73,000	---	12,000
Net income	($73,346)	$740,394	$75,828	$224,906
Net income per share	($0.02)	$.17	$.02	$.05

Shares outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990: 4,316,740

CONTACT: Mark Tomberlin, CEO, Metalclad Corp., 714-634-9050, or Bruce H. Haglund, Esq., of Gibson & Haglund, 714-553-8282

-30- 2686

#90325p9412 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Rayonier Forest Resources Company (NYSE: LOG), the managing general partner of Rayonier Timberlands, L.P., announced today that the partnership sold timberlands located within the Quinault Indian Reservation in the state of Washington to the Quinault Indian Nation for approximately $7.6 million. The company said that the transaction will contribute approximately $6.8 million to partnership earnings, or 32 cents per Class A unit, during the fourth quarter of 1990 as a result of this sale.

The managing general partner also indicated that the Quinault Indian Nation has the right, under its agreement with the partnership, to purchase additional acres of the partnership's timberlands on the reservation in three separate transactions scheduled to close in November of 1991, 1992 and 1993. The aggregate purchase price of these tracts would be approximately $25.8 million, subject to reduction if the sales close earlier than scheduled.

According to the company, the partnership's parcels on the reservation are scattered and their sale would make management of the partnership's timberland base more efficient. Of the northwest timber volume planned for harvest during the ten remaining years of the partnership's initial term, 2 percent is included in the parcels just sold and 6 percent is included within the parcels which may subsequently be purchased.

Rayonier Timberlands, L.P. grows and sells timber on 800,000 acres in the southeast U.S. and on 382,000 acres in the northwest U.S. Partnership units were first sold to the public in November 1985.

ITT Rayonier Inc., the forest products subsidiary of ITT Corporation, owns 74.7 percent of the outstanding Class A units of Rayonier Timberlands, L.P. The balance is publicly traded on the NYSE.

CONTACT: Martin Arnold of Rayonier Forest Resources, 203-964-4621

-30- 2066

#90325p9417 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. (LMT) (NASDAQ: LMTS) announced today that the Securities and Exchange Commission has declared effective its registration statement relating to the offer and sale of a minimum of $1.5 million and a maximum of $10 million of the company's 10 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 1997. The debentures will be convertible into common stock of the company at any time after issuance at a conversion price of $7.50 per share subject to adjustment.

The debentures are offered on behalf of the company by Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood, Inc., on a best-efforts basis.

LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets laser printer and display systems and subsystems for high quality electronic printing and desktop publishing applications. LMT's products include high performance printer controllers, plain-paper desktop typesetters and integrated electronic publishing systems which feature the company's proprietary TurboRes(TM) resolution enhancement technology.

CONTACT: Karen Neset, vice president of Corporate Development for LaserMaster, 612-941-8687

-30- 1329

#90325p9421 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - ICOT Corp. (NASDAQ: ICOT) today announced sales and earnings for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991.

For the three months ended Oct. 27, 1990, sales were $3,335,000 compared to last year's first quarter sales of $4,043,000. For the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ICOT incurred a loss of ($3,523,000) or ($.28) per share compared to a profit of $177,000, or $.01 per share in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. The loss for the current quarter includes a $2,560,000 write down of the company's holdings of VeriFone Inc. (NASDAQ: VFIC) common stock from $10 to $6 per share due to a decline in the market value of these securities. The sales decline in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 from the first quarter of fiscal 1990 results from a decrease of approximately $500,000 in airline product sales and service and a decrease of approximately $200,000 in data communication sales attributable to lower engineering development revenue.

According to Joe Becker, president and CEO of ICOT, "The company is continuing to implement a revised sales strategy for its United States sales operation which began in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990. As a result, the company's

enhanced advertising and telemarketing programs are now in place and functioning well and the company's U.S. sales organization is being augmented to increase the amount of technical support available for the sales orgainzation.

"Additionally, the company's managing director of its successful international subsidiary has been promoted to vice president of Worldwide Sales and has taken over responsibility for U.S. sales operations. While these activities are expected in time to have a positive impact on U.S. PC connectivity sales, the company is uncertain as to when it will return to profitability."

ICOT Corp. is a provider of data communications systems including network interfaces and gateways. The products are sold throughout the world from its corporate headquarters in San Jose, sales offices located throughout the United States and a wholly-owned subsidiary in the United Kingdom.

ICOT CORPORATION
Consolidated Condensed Statements of Operations (Unaudited)
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended	
	10/27/90	10/28/89
Net sales	$ 3,335	$ 4,043
Cost of sales	1,828	2,017
Gross margin	1,507	2,026
Operating Expenses:		
Research and development	651	736
Marketing, administrative and general	1,881	1,265
Total operating expenses	2,532	2,001
Net income (loss) from operations	(1,025)	25
Other Expense (Income):		
Interest income	(73)	(156)
Interest expense	11	4
Other (i)	2,560	---
Net income (loss)	$ (3,523)	$ 177
Net income (loss) per share	$ (0.28)	$ 0.01
Weighted average number of common shares	12,750,000	12,650,000

(i) Holdings of VeriFone Inc. common stock were revalued from $10 to $6 per share to reflect a decline in market value of these securities. The book value was adjusted based on the 10/26/90 closing sales price on the over-the-counter market as reported by NASDAQ and discounted approximately 15 percent due to the company's restriction from selling the securities on the open market until June 1991.

ICOT Corporation
Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)
(Dollars in thousands)

	Oct. 27,	July 28,

	1990	1990
Assets		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$3,531	$4,625
Accounts receivable	1,908	2,088
Inventories	1,637	1,858
Other assets	682	497
Investment in securities	3,840	---
Total current assets	11,598	9,068
Equipment and leasehold improvements - net	1,081	1,236
Investment in securities	---	6,400
Other assets	772	908
Total assets	$13,451	$17,612
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity		
Current Liabilities:		
Current maturities of capitalized lease obligations	$ 81	$ 87
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,476	3,361
Employee compensation	636	538
Total current liabilities	3,193	3,986
Long-term Debt and Liabilities:		
Capitalized lease obligations, less current maturities	226	244
Obligations under lease commitments	778	605
Total Long-Term Debt and Liabilities	1,004	849
Shareholders' Equity	9,254	12,777
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	$13,451	$17,612

CONTACT: Joe Becker of ICOT Corp., 408-433-3300

-30- 5734

#90325p9428 11/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

TACOMA, WA (NOV. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hillhaven Corp. (AMEX: HIL) today announced that it has received notice of an adverse jury award in Hertford County, N.C. in the amount of $15 million. The suit alleged failure to deliver prescribed medications to a Hillhaven nursing center resident in 1987.

Hillhaven believes that the verdict is in error. Hillhaven intends to vigorously pursue all avenues available on appeal.

CONTACT: Tim Carroll of the Hillhaven Corp., 206-756-4806

-30- 655

#90325t2144 11/21/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (NOV 21) TASS - RADICAL SOVIET LAWMAKERS CALLED FOR A MAJOR PARLIAMENTARY RESHUFFLE TODAY, PROMPTING ACCUSATIONS FROM THE RIVAL SOYUZ PRO-UNION GROUP IN "ATTEMPTS TO BREAK UP SOVIET RULING STRUCTURES AND THE COUNTRY ITSELF".

THE STATEMENT BY THE RADICAL INTER-REGIONAL GROUP OF DEPUTIES, READ OUT TODAY ON SOVIET TELEVISION BY GROUP SECRETARY ARKADY MURASHOV, COMES IN THE RUN UP TO THE FOURTH CONGRESS OF SOVIET PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES, SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 17.

THE CONGRESS, WIELDING SUPREME LEGISLATIVE POWERS, IS DUE TO REELECT A QUARTER OF THE CURRENT USSR SUPREME SOVIET (PARLIAMENT).

"THE SUPREME SOVIET, IN ITS PRESENT COMPOSITION, INEVITABLY TAKES DECISIONS THAT FOMENT CONFLICTS IN THE COUNTRY RATHER THAN TACKLE THEM," THE STATEMENT SAID, CALLING FOR THE REELECTION OF THE ENTIRE PARLIAMENT.

THE DEMAND WAS MET AT LOGGERHEADS BY SOYUZ LEADER SERGEI SHUVALOV, WHO TOLD TASS THAT THE SUPREME SOVIET "IS ONE OF THE FEW STABILISING FACTORS AND ITS DISSOLUTION COULD ONLY WORSEN THE SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY."

THE SOYUZ GROUP AIMS TO PREVENT THE BREAK UP OF THE SOVIET UNION THROUGH A RENEWED SOVIET FEDERATION.

SHUVALOV SAID THE CALL FOR THE OBSTRUCTION OF THE PARLIAMENT AT A TIME WHEN IT WAS DISCUSSING NEW SWEEPING POWERS FOR PRESIDENT GORBACHEV WAS "OPENLY DESTRUCTIVE".

SOYUZ SUPPORTS THE IDEA TO GIVE MORE POWERS TO GORBACHEV, FOLLOWING HIS REQUEST LAST WEEK, SHUVALOV SAID.

THE FORTHCOMING CONGRESS OF SOVIET PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES IS CRUCIAL FOR THE SOVIET UNION'S FUTURE AND WILL SHOW WHETHER SEPARATIST SENTIMENTS COULD BE CHECKED OR THE COUNTRY WOULD DISINTEGRATE INTO A LOOSE FEDERATION OF ALIENATED REPUBLICS.

-30- 1834

#90325t2164 11/21/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (NOV 21) TASS - A MESSAGE ADDRESSED BY NAGORNO-KARABAKH INHABITANTS TO THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT AND THE ARMENIAN REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP WAS CIRCULATED IN YEREVAN TODAY, ACCORDING TO ARMENPRES CORRESPONDENT B. KYUFARIAN.

THE MESSAGE SAYS THAT DESPITE REPORTS OF MEASURES TAKEN BY AZEBRAIJANI AUTHORITIES TO NORMALISE THE SITUATION AROUND NAGORNO-KARABAKH, ARMENIAN VILLAGES IN THE SHUSHINSK, GADRUT AND MARDAKERT DISTRICTS WERE AGAIN ATTACKED ON NOVEMBER 18 AND 19. SEVERAL PEOPLE WERE KILLED. AN ELDERLY WOMAN BY NAME OF CHOBANIAN WAS BURNED TO DEATH AND A 60-YEAR OLD PEASANT, TSATURIAN, WAS RUTHLESSLY MURDERED BY MILITANTS. SPECIAL PURPOSE MILITIA UNITS SET UP IN AZERBAIJAN WERE INVOLVED IN THE ACTIONS ALONG WITH MILITANTS.

AZERINFORM CORRESPONDENT V. RUSTAMOV REPORTS FROM BAKU THAT ACTS OF PROVOCATION FROM THE ARMENIAN SIDE AGAINST AZERBAIJAN HAVE BECOME MORE FREQUENT LATELY. NUMEROUS CASES OF SHOOTING, HOSTAGE TAKING AND CATTLE ABDUCTION HAVE BEEN REPORTED RECENTLY.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS AT THE BORDER BETWEEN AZERBAIJAN AND ARMENIA HAVE BEEN REPEATEDLY SUBJECTED TO HAND GRENADE AND MINE ATTACKS.

ON NOVEMBER 20, FLAME-THROWERS, BIG-CALIBER MACHINE-GUNS, GRENADE LAUNCHERS AND ANTI-HAIL GUNS FIRED AT A VILLAGE HERE FOR FIVE HOURS NON-STOP, KILLING TWO AND WOUNDING ONE MAN.

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#90325t2166 11/21/1990 ~ts
KISHINEV (NOV 21) TASS - THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT TODAY ADOPTED THE FIRST READING OF M BILL ON THE GUARANDEES FOR THE RIGHTS OF ETHNIC GROUPS RESIDING IN THE MOLDAVIAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC.

THE BILL POINTS OUT THAT GUIDING BY THE PRINCIPLES OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS, DEMOCRACY AND HUMANISM, THE MOLDAVIAN SSR GUARANTEES TO THE CITIZENS OF MOHDAVIA OF ALL ETHNIC GROUPS EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW AND EQUALITY IN ALL AREAS OF POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL LIFE.

UNDER THE REPUBLICAN CONSTITUTION, IT IS IMPERMISSIBLE TO RESTRICT RIGHTS AND TO ESTABLISH DIRECT OR INDIRECT PRIVILEGES FOR CITIZENS ON THE GROUNDS OF NATIONALITY.

MOLDAVIA GUARANTEES TO ALL, IRRESPECTIVE OF THE NATIONALITY, OPPORTUNITIES TO RECEIVE EDUCATION IN THE NATIVE TONGUE, DEVELOP NATIONAL CULTURE AND ESTABLISH NATIONAL CULTURAL CENTRES, SOCIETIES AND LAND ASSOCIATIONS.

THE BILL EMPHASISES THAT MOLDAVIAN IS THE STATE LANGUAGE IN THE REPUBLIC, BUT THE MOLDAVIAN SSR HELPS CREATE CONDITIONS ON ITS TERRITORY FOR DEVELOPING THE LANGUAGES OF NATIONAL MINORITIES.

THE BILL WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE PRESS FOR NATIONWIDE DISCUSSION.

DESPITE SPECIFIC MEASURES TAKEN TO STABILISE THE SERIOUS SITUATION IN MOLDAVIA TENSION IS RUNNING HIGH IN THE REPUBLIC, MEMBERS OF THE MOLDAVIAN COMMUNIST PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE BUREAU BELIEVE. THEY MET TO DISCUSS THE ROLE OF THE PARTY COMMITTEES IN THE DNIESTER REGION IN RELIEVING SOCIO-POLITICAL TENSION IN MOLDAVIA.

A DOCUMENT, ADOPTED UPON THE RESUTLS OF THE MEETING, POINTS OUT THAT THE LEADERS OF THE DNIESTER REGION, WITHOUT LISTENING TO THE VOICE OF REASON, ARE

IGNORING PROPOSALS BY OFFICIAL POWER STRUCTURES OF THE MOLDAVIAN SSR AND ARE STEERING THE COURSE TOWARDS DISMEMBERING THE REPUBLIC.

BUREAU MEMBERS CALLED UPON THE COMMUNISTS OF THE DNIESTER REGION TO USE ALL MEASURES OF POLITICAL LEVERAGE TO ANNOUNCE A MORATORIUM ON THE ELECTIONS TO THE SO-CALLED DNIESTER REPUBLIC, WHICH ARE SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 25.

A CORRESPONDENT OF THE IZVESTIA NEWSPAPER REPORTS FROM KISHINEV TODAY THAT THE MAJORITY OF MEMBERS OF THE DNIESTER INTERIM COMMITTEE THINK THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO CANCEL THE ELECTIONS, THE MORE SO THAT "THEY HAVE ACTUALLY BEGUN IN SOME PLACES".

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#90325u0002 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 21) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

(West Coast games not included)

(All times EST)

Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	7	2	.778	-
New York	6	4	.600	1 1/2
Philadelphia	6	4	.600	1 1/2
Miami	4	5	.444	4
Washington	2	7	.222	5
New Jersey	2	7	.222	5

Central Division

Detroit	7	2	.778	-
Milwaukee	7	3	.700	1/2
Cleveland	6	4	.600	1 1/2
Chicago	5	5	.500	2 1/2
Charlotte	6	6	.500	2 1/2
Indiana	4	5	.444	3
Atlanta	4	6	.500	3 1/2

Western Conference

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	5	2	.714	-
Houston	6	4	.600	1/2
Dallas	5	4	.556	1

Minnesota	4	6	.400	2 1/2
Utah	3	6	.333	3
Orlando	3	6	.333	3
Denver	1	9	.100	5 1/2
Pacific Division				
Portland	9	0	1.000	-
Golden State	7	3	.700	2 1/2
Phoenix	5	3	.625	3 1/2
LA Clippers	4	5	.444	5
LA Lakers	4	5	.444	5
Seattle	3	4	.429	5
Sacramento	1	7	.125	7 1/2

-30- 1383
#90325u0020 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 21) UPI - DIGEST:

Baseball

Roger Clemens was suspended for the first five games of the 1991 season and fined $10,000 by American League President Bobby Brown for the Boston pitcher's behavior during Game 4 of the league playoffs. With Oakland leading the Red Sox 3-0 in games, Clemens was Boston's Game 4 starter but was ejected by home plate umpire Terry Cooney after arguing a call in the second inning. Clemens charged Cooney after the ejection and was restrained by teammates. Clemens can appeal the fine and suspension. ... The Pittsburgh Pirates named Chet Montgomery as director of minor league operations. Montgomery, 58, has been director of scouting for the Cleveland Indians for the last two years.

Basketball

Having failed in their efforts to acquire a starting point guard to replace the injured Johnny Dawkins, the Philadelphia 76ers signed journeyman Andre Turner to a one-year contract. Turner, who has played with five NBA teams since 1986 and was averaging 22 points and six assists per game with La Crosse of the CBA this season, will give the 76ers a third shooting guard, behind veteran Rickey Green and rookie Brian Oliver.

Golf

Beth Daniel captured two LPGA postseason awards, winning Player of the Year and the Vare Trophy. Daniel won seven events and $863,578 this year, the most money earned on the LPGA Tour in a single season. She posted back-to-back victories three times in 1990 and captured the LPGA Championship for her first major title. Hiromi Kobayashi of Japan was the rookie of the year and Cathy Gerring was the comeback player of the year.

Tennis

The French-Swiss combination of Guy Forget and Jakob Hlasek won the first match of the $1 million IBM-ATP Tour World Doubles Final, defeating the Canadian pair of Grant Connell and Glen Michibata, 6-3, 7-6 (7-4), in 1 hour and 31 minutes.

-30- 2009

#90325u0038 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

ARLINGTON, TX (NOV. 21) UPI - Students at the University of Texas at Arlington have resoundingly voted down a proposal to establish the first on-campus abortion clinic at an American university.

Students voted 1,430 to 746 against allowing first-trimester abortions in the UTA student health clinic. The election was held Monday and Tuesday and the results were made public late Tuesday.

The Student Congress ordered the issue placed on the ballot and it will consider the mandate at its Nov. 27 meeting. The members are expected to vote against sending the proposal on to the school administration.

The whole issue seemed moot from the beginning because UTA President Wendell Nedderman had said he opposed the measure, which could not be enacted without his approval.

Nedderman said more than two weeks ago that the proposal to permit abortions in Student Health Services was ''grossly inappropriate.'' He was was criticized by students for announcing a position before the vote.

A second question, asking whether students would support the resolution if the abortions were not paid for with student fees, resulted in a nearly identical vote: 1,372 against, 718 for.

Although the abortion clinic was rejected, 1,128 students said they considered themselves ''pro-choice'' while 859 called themselves ''pro- life'' and 198 said they were undecided.

Only about 9 percent of the school's 24,800 students cast ballots.

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#90325u0066 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

ERIE, PA (NOV. 21) UPI - A mix-up at a funeral home shocked mourners and sent morticians in Erie and North Carolina scrambling Wednesday to exchange two bodies.

Friends and relatives of Gloria Bennett, 59, were upset Tuesday night when they arrived at the John Taylor Funeral Home in Erie to pay their last respects.

She died in New York City last Friday and funeral directors at the Leo Wood Funeral Home in Mount Vernon, N.Y., prepared her body and put it on a USAir flight to Erie.

But when the coffin was opened, those who came for the viewing saw an unfamiliar face.

''In my 35 years in this business, this is the first time I have even heard of something like this,'' said funeral director John Taylor, shaking his head in astonishment.

Taylor said somehow Bennett's body was sent to Durham, N.C., by mistake and a casket containing the body of Myrtle Fuller arrived in Erie. Taylor contacted the North Carolina funeral home and said the two bodies should be in their proper locations by Wednesday afternoon.

''I just had to cry,'' said Bennett's brother, Marlowe Tolbert. ''It was just devastating to have something like this happen. I came to see my sister, have the wake this evening and bury her tomorrow.''

USAir spokesman Dave Shipley said he was not aware of an incident like this ever happening before.

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#90325u0073 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 21) UPI - President Bush is not commenting on a lawsuit filed in Washington by 45 members of Congress concerned about the U-S military buildup in the Persian Gulf. The suit asks the federal courts to decide who has the right to declare war- Congress or the president.

Government-affiliated researchers say the Food and Drug Administration has approved human tests on a possible AIDS vaccine. The genetically-engineered vaccine- called IMMUNO-Ag- is the sixth authorized for human use. Tests on the other vaccines have proven inconclusive.

A Berlin newspaper says the number of Soviet citizens and army defectors seeking political asylum in Germany has doubled since late summer. 219 Soviets applied for asylum in July, and that number grew to about 400 in September. The paper says 59 were deserters from Soviet army units stationed in what used to be East Germany.

Electric customers in southeastern Massachusetts are in line for refunds. The Commonwealth Electric Company will refund 11-Million dollars to as many as

280-thousand customers due to an extended outage at the Pilgrim nuclear plant. Typical refunds will range from 19- to 66- dollars.

A Los Angeles prosecutor began opening arguments in the trial of former Drug Enforcement Administration agent Darnell Garcia, saying Garcia ''turned to the dark side'' and became a drug trafficker, thief and money launderer. Two ex-D-E-A agents pleaded guilty and are expected to testify against Garcia.

Snow advisories are posted overnight in the mountains of Arizona, Colorado and Washington state. A major storm system dumped 10 inches of snow at Yellowstone National Park by late afternoon. The National Weather Service saysup to two feet covered parts of the Utah mountains.

Former Wall Street junk bond king Michael Milken faces sentencing in New York federal court Wednesday on six guilty pleas to securities and tax violations. Milken has already agreed to pay 600-Million dollars in fines and penalties and could get up to 28 years in jail.

The two members of the pop group Milli Vanilli apologized and surrendered their 1989 Grammy Awards in Los Angeles after admitting they did not sing a note on their best-selling album ''Girl You Know its True.'' The pair say they were seduced by their manager's promises of wealth and fame.

-30- 2490

#90325u0091 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

KANSAS CITY (NOV. 21) UPI - The Kansas City Royals signed free agent pitcher Mike Boddicker to a 3-year guaranteed contract, team general manager Herk Robinson announced Wednesday.

Boddicker, a right-hander, was 17-8 with a 3.66 earned run average for Boston last season. He owns a career record of 118-95, including a 20-victory season for Baltimore in 1984.

It is the second consecutive season the Royals signed a high-profile free agent pitcher. Last year Kansas City picked up starting pitcher Storm Davis and reliever Mark Davis on the free agent market.

-30- 763

#90325u0101 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 21) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

(All Times EST)

Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	15	6	3	33	95	60
New Jersey	12	10	1	25	84	75
Philadelphia	12	10	1	25	79	74
Washington	11	12	0	22	72	75
Pittsburgh	10	8	2	22	86	72
NY Islanders	8	12	0	16	58	77

Adams Division

Boston	12	6	4	28	69	64
Montreal	11	9	3	25	71	70
Hartford	8	9	3	19	52	61
Buffalo	7	8	5	19	65	61
Quebec	3	17	3	9	55	100

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	16	6	2	34	83	53
St. Louis	15	5	1	31	76	53
Detroit	8	10	3	19	75	84
Minnesota	4	13	5	13	54	78
Toronto	4	18	1	9	65	112

Smythe Division

Los Angeles	15	4	1	31	89	58
Calgary	13	8	2	28	98	73
Vancouver	10	11	0	20	64	74
Winnipeg	8	13	2	18	74	82
Edmonton	5	12	2	12	52	60

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(NOV. 21) UPI - The Atlantis crew says Florida was a fine place to land and they wish the space shuttles could land there all the time. Atlantis glided to a touchdown on the three-mile-long runway at the Kennedy Space Center because of high crosswinds in the California desert. It was the first Florida landing in more than five years. Those windy conditions at Edwards Air Force Base in California kept the shuttle in orbit for an extra day, but the astronauts didn't seem to mind.

Two American-made communications satellites are in orbit after a successful ride into space aboard the French-built Ariane- 4 rocket. It was the 35th successful launch of the rocket from the European Space Agency's jungle complex on the northern coast of South America. Both satellites will be boosted into their permanent near stationary orbits 23-thousand miles above

the Earth by small on-board rockets.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher says she's disappointed she did NOT get enough votes to turn back Michael Heseltine's bid to take over the Conservative Party. Thatcher survived the challenge, but must face a rematch in a second vote next week that could still oust her from power. If Thatcher loses leadership of her party she could NO longer be prime minister.

U-N Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar says he is considering sending a senior aide to Israel for talks on the problems of Palestinians in the occupied territories. De Cuellar, just back from a 10-day trip to Japan and France, says a visit by his envoy might be useful. Israel has drawn fire for rejecting a U-N inquiry into the October 8th killings of at least 19 Palestinians during rioting on Jerusalem's Temple Mount.

Experts say the housing industry slump will probably only get worse. Housing starts fell six percent last month to their lowest level in eight years. The Commerece Department reports permits for new construction were down nearly seven percent, also the worst since the recession of 1982. National Council of Savings Institutions economist Martin Regalia says mortgage money is there, but recession- wary consumers are afraid they won't be able to make the payments.

Harvard Law students are taking their protest for more minority professors to court. The students filed a suit in Middlesex County Superior Court charging Harvard with discrimination against blacks, Latinos, Asian-Americans, native American Indians, the disabled and women. However, Harvard Law Dean Robert Clark issued a statement defending the school's hiring record. Clark says 45 percent of the ''tenure-track'' positions in the last decade have gone to women and minorities.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (NOV. 21) UPI - A small airliner crashed into a forest during a rainstorm Wednesday as it tried to land on a resort island in the Gulf of Thailand, killing at least 37 people, police said.

Bangkok Airways Flight 125, a 37-seat Dash-8 aircraft carrying 33 passengers and a crew of four or five, crashed about 6 miles from the airport on Samui Island, said Charan Kuama, a police officer on the island, about 300 miles south of Bangkok.

''The wreckage is scattered, and there are no reports of suvivors,'' Charan said. Rescue worker had recovered 37 bodies from the forest where the crash occurred, the officer said.

A manifest showed 33 passengers aboard, including one infant. Airline sources

said four or five crew also were believed to have been aboard.

Charan said he had not received reports on the nationalities of the victims, but noted that Samui Island is a popular destination for foreign tourists. The passenger list gave names but no nationalities.

Sources at Bangkok's Don Muang Airport, where the flight originated, said the passengers included at least 29 foreigners.

Charan said the plane crashed in a rainstorm at about 6:15 p.m., 35 minutes after it was to have landed. The tiny airport on Samui Island is not equipped with radar or other advanced equipment.

A woman answering the telephone at Samui airport said two loud explosions had been heard and that it was feared all aboard the plane had been killed. The woman refused to identify herself.

Prasert Prasart-thong-osoth, chairman of the board of the airline, said the crash was the airline's first. He said the craft was insured and about $12,000 in compensation would be paid to the heirs of each victim.

Bangkok Airways is small, privately owned carrier that operates on six internal routes and recently began flights to Phnom Penh in neighboring Cambodia.

In September 1988 a Vietnam Airlines jet crashed in a rainstorm near Bangkok, killing 76 people. Just over a year earlier a Thai Airways plane carrying tourists to Phuket, another southern Thai beach resort, crashed into the sea, killing all 83 people aboard in Thailand's worst aircrash.

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PARIS (NOV. 21) UPI - Leaders of 34 nations adopted a blueprint Wednesday for post-Cold War security in Europe, a sweeping Charter of Paris that cements a new age of East-West harmony after four decades of ideological and military tension.

''The era of confrontation and division of Europe has ended,'' the heads of state said in the final document of a landmark three-day summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

The CSCE summit's centerpiece was Monday's signing of a massive conventional arms treaty by 22 NATO and Warsaw Pact nations, although the rising threat of a Persian Gulf war dampened the festivities.

''That subject was in every corridor, in every bilateral discussion, in everybody's mind,'' said President Bush, who flew from Paris to the Middle

East to spend the Thanksgiving holiday with U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia.

The 20-page Charter of Paris for a New Europe, the summit's conclusions, creates a Secretariat in Prague for the previously homeless CSCE, a Conflict Prevention Center in Vienna and an Office for Free Elections in Warsaw.

CSCE leaders will meet every two years to solidify the new pan- European partnership, beginning with a 1992 summit in Helsinki, site of the last such meeting in 1975. Foreign ministers will meet yearly.

The 34-nation CSCE includes all of Europe except Albania, plus the United States and Canada.

''Henceforth our relations will be founded on respect and cooperation,'' says the new charter, which was signed around a huge rectangular table at the sumptuous Kleber International Conference Center near the Arc de Triomphe.

''Ours is a time for fulfilling the hopes and expectations our peoples have cherished for decades: steadfast commitment to democracy based on human rights and fundamental freedoms, prosperity through economic liberty and social justice, and equal security for all our countries,'' the charter declares.

The document includes sections on economic cooperation, human rights, security the environment and culture.

''The old order and the false certainties that supported it have collapsed,'' French President Francois Mitterrand said in closing the historic summit, compared by some to the Congress of Vienna in 1815, which redrew Europe's boundaries after Napoleon's defeat.

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl said the comparison is faulty.

''The Congress of Vienna was associated with the repression of free thinking of all types, whereas here in Paris we have negotiated a Magna Carta of freedom and human and civil rights,'' Kohl said. ''In Vienna, an attempt was made to re-establish absolute forms of rule, whereas here in Paris we have inextricably linked the future of our continent with democracy based on human rights and fundamental freedoms.''

The summit was launched Monday by the signing of a 110-page Conventional Forces in Europe treaty, which reduces the risk of surprise attack by setting sharp ceilings on tanks, artillery, combat vehicles and aircraft. Tuesday was devoted to speeches, in which several Eastern European nations warned that a new ''Welfare Wall'' between rich and poor nations could replace the Iron Curtain as a dangerous new European divide.

Mitterrand also focused on future challenges in his closing address Wednesday.

''Europe has not traveled the longer part of the road only to stumble on hidden obstacles,'' he said. ''Everything must be thought through again. No institution will evade this critical reexamination - neither the European Community, the Atlantic Alliance nor the Council of Europe, and everyone will take his share.''

France, which pulled out of NATO's integrated military command in 1967, favors the European Community as the post-Cold War Europe's political heart.

The gulf crisis was not on the summit's formal agenda but many heads of state said it posed a crucial test to the new world order.

As the summit ended, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev called for a meeting of the U.N. Security Council ''without delay to discuss the situation and to take a decision there.''

The United States seeks a Security Council resolution authorizing force to oust Iraq from Kuwait.

Domestic politics also provided plenty of sideshows to the main event.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was stunned by a Tuesday night vote in which a challenger for the Conservative Party leadership, former defense secretary Michael Heseltine, won enough votes to force a second ballot next week among Conservative MPS.

''There was a general sense of sadness for her and good wishes for her,'' said Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney. ''We'll have to see what happens.''

Thatcher flew back to London ''well ahead of schedule,'' shortly after the summit concluded, said Orly Airport officials.

French Prime Minister Michel Rocard narrowly escaped a no-confidence vote on Monday night over an unpopular new social-security tax.

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TOKYO (NOV. 21) UPI - Tokyo stock prices fell sharply in thin trading Wednesday as a lack of confidence kept buyers off the trading floor.

The Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues plummeted 388.49 points to 22,816.99 following a 312.68 point fall Tuesday.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index of all major issues also plunged 31.26 points to 1,688.53.

An estimated 260 million shares were traded, compared with 217.77 million

shares Tuesday.

Brokers said the strength of the yen and bonds spurred bargain hunting in mid-afternoon trading but bearish sentiment drove investors off the trading floor.

''Everybody is bearish, so smaller investors are selling now before things get worse,'' said Joseph Marchal, a trader at Maruso Securities. ''Investors who have to sell have to go deeper and deeper to find a buyer.''

The brokers said investors ignored positive factors such as the yen's rise against the dollar and firming bond prices.

The market suffered from margin-linked selling and selling by institutional investors and investment trusts, they said.

Lowers outnumbered gainers 869-121, with 87 issues unchanged.

Shipbuildings such as Ishikawajima-Harima Heavy Industries and Kawasaki Heavy Industries were sold. Steels like NKK and Kobe Steel also weakened along with electricals, electric powers, constructions, trading firms, chemical, nonferrous metals and land transportations.

Some real estates were among scattered gainers.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) UPI - Workers secured the site of an excavation cave-in near the White House Wednesday, allowing United Press International to move back into its headquarters, as crews labored to repair severed telephone and power lines.

The collapsed sides of the 50-foot-deep construction pit, which occupies a quarter of a city block, were shored up with mounds of dirt shoveled into the hole by bulldozers, and the area was declared stable Wednesday, said fire department Capt. Ted Holmes.

UPI, forced out of its world headquarters next to the site after the cave-in Monday night, returned at about 12:30 p.m. EST Wednesday from a temporary news center set up by the wire service at its computer office in suburban Virginia.

The chief engineer for the District of Columbia gave the go-ahead to reopen the 12-story UPI building, which stands at one edge of the pit, after determining there was no longer any danger of further collapse, Holmes said.

''It is safe to go back,'' he said.

Most of UPI's telephone and transmission lines, knocked out by the cave-in, also were restored Wednesday.

Meanwhile, Potomac Electric Power Co. worked to restore electricity cut off by the initial cave-in and a smaller, secondary collapse Tuesday afternoon.

In all, five of six feeder cables supplying power to a six-square- block area were severed, and by midday only one had been repaired, PEPCO spokeswoman Nancy Moses said.

''This has eased the situation a small amount,'' Moses said, but she added that power customers in the area were being asked to ''restrict their use of electricity to a bare minimum'' until full service is restored.

Moses said the power company hoped to have all six cables repaired over the weekend. Utility crews also worked to restore natural gas and water service disrupted after the collapse.

The excavation pit is the site of an office building under development next to a subway stop in the city's busy 14th Street corridor, four blocks from the White House.

The walls of the pit gave way at about 8:15 p.m. Monday night in a roar of earth, sparks and steel, swallowing construction trailers, a crane, sidewalks, trees, sign posts and the alley separating the site from the UPI building.

An extensive search of the area after the collapse turned up no signs of anyone trapped in the rubble and no one was reported injured.

Authorities could not rule out the possibility that somebody walking along the sidewalk or alley was buried in the collapse, ''but from all indications, there is no one, certainly no one recoverable'' in the pit, Holmes said.

The subway station next to the site was shut down until Tuesday, and a three-block section of 14th Street remained cordoned off Wednesday, snarling downtown traffic. The street was not expected to reopen before Friday, police said.

''Traffic's all screwed up,'' officer J.A. Brown said. ''It's terrible.''

The UPI headquarters and one other office building adjacent to the excavation pit were evacuated immediately after the collapse.

Construction and fire crews had feared the possibility of further cave-ins along the southeast corner of the UPI building, where a 90-foot pylon supporting the building was exposed in the initial collapse. UPI managed to keep its operations going with little interruption to clients.

The UPI bureau in Los Angeles assumed control of the wire service for about four hours Monday night while the new agency's staff in Washington moved the principal editorial operations into UPI's computer office in Vienna, Va.

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(NOV. 21) UPI - President Bush leaves France Wednesday for Saudi Arabia, where he and Mrs. Bush will spend Thanksgiving with U-S troops. Saudi Arabia is the last stop on the president's eight-day, four-nation trip.

A group of legislators says President Bush has NOT included them in decisions about the Persian Gulf and they have filed suit to make sure that he does NOT leave them out of any declaration of war. The federal suit was filed by 45 members of Congress.

The space shuttle astronauts landed in Florida Tuesday, and a short time later were airborne again... headed home to Houston to be with their families. The shuttle Atlantis was diverted to the Kennedy Space Center because of high winds in California.

An Ariane 4 rocket successfully boosted a pair of American communications satellites into orbit Tuesday in the 40th flight of the French-built rocket system. The rocket lifted off from the European Space Agency's jungle launch complex on the northern coast of South America.

Michael Heseltine rallied enough votes Tuesday to force a second ballot in his effort to get Prime Minister Thatcher's job. The two former allies face another vote next week. Thatcher was four votes short of a victory in Parliament to continue her 15-year tenure as leader.

Speaking to reporters in Paris, Thatcher said she was disappointed that the contest for Conservative Party leadership is going into a second ballot. However, she said she will fight the final round of the political battle.

Researchers say that human tests are starting on a possible AIDS vaccine that appears to be better designed and more promising in chimpanzees than other vaccines being tested in people. The F-D-A has approved tests of the drug on humans.

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PARIS (NOV. 21) UPI - Western European leaders pledged substantial amounts of emergency food Wednesday to help the Soviet Union through the coming winter but a decision on the amount will not be made until the European Community meets in Rome next month.

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Monday he pledged additional food aid to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, but refused at a news conference Wednesday to confirm a specific amount or dollar figure.

Kohl said he spoke to Gorbachev about aid from private sources and insisted that benevolent organizations be assured the food and medicine reached those most in need.

''We just want to insure that there are no disappointments, that the humanitarian associations that wish to offer assistance will not find that the aid they give does not reach the people,'' Kohl said.

The German chancellor said the success of Gorbachev's economic and government reforms will insure peace in the Soviet Union and that the principal German objective was to help the Soviets help themselves.

''If we can help with economic aid we will do this. This is something that emerged very clearly in the last few days in Paris,'' Kohl said. ''This interlinking of the different problems in Europe has never been so clear as it is at the present time.''

Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney also refused to specifically say how much aid his country could give but said the Soviets already have an 840 million Canadian dollar credit line that can be redeemed at any time.

Mulroney said the Soviets provided Canada a list of products in short supply, including pork, beef, butter and powdered milk.

''We have a fairly good idea of what we can do and we can cause that to be delivered in an effective manner that would benefit the people of the Soviet Union,'' Mulroney said.

On Tuesday, Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis predicted the European Community would approve $1 billion in emergency aid for Moscow.

''I expect a green light from the European Community next month for financial aid to the Soviet Union,'' De Michaelis was quoted as saying.

The aid package would be the first major Western effort to help the ailing Soviet economy and would go against the Bush administration, which has resisted giving Moscow large scale economic aid.

Bush has said a first step towards resolving the Soviet Union's economic woes would be to end the $5 billion in aid Moscow gives Cuba each year.

American and Soviet officials said Bush and Gorbachev did not discuss the aid issue when they met for dinner at the American ambassador's residence Monday night.

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DETROIT (NOV. 21) UPI - General Motors Corp. and the United Auto Workers union have agreed to implement a sweeping program under which the automaker will redesign every job at its plants that could cause repetitive motion injury.

The program is part of an arrangement announced Tuesday by the U.S. Labor Department's Occupational Health and Safety Administration, which prodded GM and the union into undertaking the program.

Under the arrangement, GM also agreed to pay OSHA $360,000 for alleged violations of health and safety rules and recordkeeping at plants in Oklahoma City and Trenton, N.J. GM paid $500,000 in 1987 for similar violations.

U.S. Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole called the program "the most extensive of its kind in U.S. industry," adding that it should reduce repetitive motion injuries "in an industry that has always been the key to America's economic well-being."

Repetitive motion injuries are the fastest growing hazard in the workplace, and affect one of every ten autoworkers each year. They can cause severe inflammation, pain and even disability because of repeated motion over a long period of time.

GM and the UAW, which represents nearly 300,000 workers at the giant automaker will train workers to avoid such injuries, as well as redesign tools and workplaces to reduce the risk of repetitive trauma, which cost companies billions of dollars each year in medical bills and lost productivity.

UAW Vice President Stephen P. Yokich, who heads the union's GM Department, said factory workers will have a large say in how their jobs are redesigned. Both GM and the UAW have no estimate on how much the program will cost, although industry sources say it could run into the tens of millions of dollars.

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(NOV. 21) UPI - The Washington Bullets learned it takes more than one King to beat Sacramento.

The Sacramento Kings earned their first win of the season after seven losses, notching an 87-82 victory over the Washington Bullets Tuesday night thanks to balanced scoring led by Wayman Tisdale's 23 points.

''They were all worried about getting the gorilla off their back,'' Kings Coach Dick Motta said of the losing skid and the impact it was having on his young players. ''I told them it was just a little monkey and not to worry about it.''

''We learn from our losses,'' Tisdale said. ''We'll take a lot of bumps and lumps this season.''

Rookie Duane Causwell's three-point play with 38 seconds left on a layup and foul shot gave the Kings an 85-82 lead that Washington could not overcome.

The loss is Washington's fourth straight, despite a season-high 45 points from Bernard King, the NBA's leading scorer. The Bullets lost to the coach who took them to the 1978 NBA title.

The Kings had lost their last 13 games, their last win having come April 9.

Sacramento's Antoine Carr tallied 15 before fouling out with one minute left. Rookies Lionel Simmons and Travis Mays scored 14 and 13 points, respectively. Veteran Rory Sparrow added 11.

In double figures for the Bullets were Harvey Grant with 14 and Darrell Walker with 10.

The Kings opened a close game with a 19-1 scoring run at the onset of the second quarter, paced by Carr, who hit his first five field-goal attempts.

The Kings outscored the Bullets in the second quarter, 28-9, thanks to Carr's 10 points and Tisdale's 11. The Bullets' second-quarter total is a one-quarter low since the franchise moved from Baltimore in 1973.

Sacramento led at the half, 53-38. The Bullets regrouped in the second half, turning a 58-44 deficit into a 60-58 lead with 3:59 left in the third quarter.

King's buzzer-beater from 21 feet knotted the score at 68 with 12 minutes to go. King scored 16 points in the third quarter.

--- AROUND THE NBA ---

In other games, Charlotte downed Atlanta 128-121, Detroit topped Miami 106-90, Houston routed New York 113-88, Minnesota nipped Dallas 92-91 in overtime, Golden State held off Orlando 123-120 and Seattle blew out New Jersey 105-88.

Hornets 128, Hawks 121

At Charlotte, J.R. Reid scored 23 points, including four in the last four minutes, to give the Hornets their second straight victory over the Hawks and hand the Hawks their fifth straight loss. Charlotte won despite the absence of

leading scorer and rebounder Armon Gilliam, out with tendinitis in the knee.

Pistons 106, Heat 90

At Miami, John Salley scored 24 points and Detroit shut down the Heat to extend its winning streak to four. Detroit, 7-2, also was led by Mark Aguirre with 22 points and Joe Dumars with 17. Glen Rice led Miami with 19 points and Sherman Douglas added 16 as the Heat shot only 38 percent from the field.

Rockets 113, Knicks 88

At New York, Akeem Olajuwon scored 30 points and Kenny Smith added 15 points and nine assists in a game that featured a matchup of two of the best centers in the game in Olajuwon and Patrick Ewing. But the Rockets kept Ewing out of the game by double- and triple-teaming him.

Timberwolves 92, Mavericks 91 (ot)

At Dallas, Tyrone Corbin's two-handed tip-in with three-tenths of a second remaining in overtime lifted Minnesota. Corbin's desperate slap at the ball five feet from the basket came after he had missed a short jumper and after teammate Felton Spencer had missed a try at a tip-in.

Warriors 123, Magic 120

At Oakland, Calif., Tim Hardaway scored 23 ponts and added 11 assists, leading the Warriors, who never trailed on the way to their sixth straight home victory this season and their eighth straight dating back to last season. Orlando was led by Terry Catledge, who pumped in 17.

Sonics 105, Nets 88

At Seattle, Xavier McDaniel's 35 points paced the Sonics and sent New Jersey to an NBA record 33rd consecutive road loss. The Nets broke a 36- year-old record set by Baltimore on March 14, 1954. The Nets haven't won on the road since Dec. 23, 1989. McDaniel, who had only 24 points in his previous two games, made 16 of 25 field goal attempts.

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MOUNT KATAHDIN, ME (NOV. 21) UPI - Blind hiker Bill Irwin and his German shepherd guidedog were poised Wednesday to complete an eight-month trek over the entire 2,000-mile Appalachian Trail.

Irwin began the hike over the rugged mountain trail in Georgia eight months ago, completing the journey on Mount Katahdin in northern Maine.

A spokeswoman at Baxter State Park, where Mount Katahdin is located, said Irwin was expected to finish up about noontime at a place called Katahdin Stream campground.

''He's doing fine. He's in great shape,'' she said.

She said a group of friends and supporters from Irwin's home in North Carolina were on hand at the campground Wednesday morning to meet Irwin as he ended his task.

Irwin said earlier he decided to hike the trail following what he called an inspiration from God.

''I said 'Lord, I hope you know what you're saying, because it's not going to be easy, and you better be sure,''' he told The Boston Globe this past weekend.

His guide on the trek was Orient, a black and tan German shepherd who packed his own provisions and stopped at every signpost, which Irwin read with his fingertips.

When Irwin stumbles on rocks and falls, Orient stops and waits for him to get up.

Irwin ran into some difficulty recently when he crossed the snow and ice-covered presidential range in New Hampshire. He said the hike through a boulder field for several days over an area covered with ice on the slope of Mount Washington, the highest peak in the Northeast, left him discouraged and weak.

Orient suffered sore paws from crossing the rough terrain.

Irwin said he doesn't stop often on the trail, preferring to push on to cover as much area as possible, realizing how severe the weather can get in northern Maine in November.

Irwin said he was able to hike 10 to 15 miles a day for about 10 days at a time. He said he stopped every few weeks for supplies and to rest.

He was joined by other hikers at various points along the trail.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (NOV. 21) UPI - With Atlantis back on the ground after a surprise Florida landing, NASA is gearing up to launch the shuttle Columbia in less than two weeks, around Dec. 2, to kick off a long- delayed astronomy flight.

Atlantis and its five-man crew, diverted from a California landing because of dangerous crosswinds, glided to a flawless day-late touchdown at the Florida shuttleport at 4:43 p.m. EST Tuesday to close out a five- day mission, the last top-secret shuttle flight currently planned by NASA.

It was the first Florida shuttle landing in 5 1/2 years - only the sixth in the 37-flight history of the program - and NASA officials said the $2 billion orbiter appeared to sail through its 2-million-mile 79- orbit flight in excellent condition.

''I was very pleased to see the successful completion of the mission here,'' said Forrest McCartney, director of the Kennedy Space Center. ''We have had in place ... contingency plans such that if we needed to land the orbiter here, we could. We implemented the plan and it turned out extremely well.''

But William Lenoir, NASA's associate administrator for spaceflight, said more landing tests are needed on the broad lakebed runways at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., the normal shuttle landing site, before shuttles will be cleared for routine touchdowns in the Sunshine State.

''When will be begin to try routinely to come into the cape? We would like to get a little more characterization of our handling qualities, our brakes,'' Lenoir said. ''We have some tests we'd like to do on ... subsequent missions that are better suited on a lakebed where you have more latitude.

''We're probably a year and a half or so away from attaining that. In the meantime, we have no hesitation whatsoever in a situation like this to return to the cape.''

Atlantis's picture-perfect touchdown closed out a presumably successful mission to launch a top-secret military satellite. But with a Pentagon-imposed news blackout in effect, it was not immediately possible to determine if all the goals the flight were met.

Landing originally was scheduled for Monday at Edwards in California's Mojave Desert, but dangerous crosswinds forced NASA managers to delay re-entry one day. After more of the same was observed Tuesday, Atlantis was diverted to the Kennedy Space Center.

The shuttle's all-military crew - commander Richard Covey, 44, co- pilot Frank Culbertson, 41, Charles Gemar, 35, Carl Meade, 40, and Robert Springer, 48 - flew back to their homes in Houston about 4 1/2 hours hours after landing.

''We think it's great that we have such a fine place to come to when we can't go to either of our other primary and secondary landing sites,'' Covey told reporters before leaving. ''We're anxious now to go on back to Houston and catch up with our families.''

With Atlantis back on the ground, engineers are gearing up for Columbia's launch on a 10-day astronomy mission around Dec. 2, just 17 days after Atlantis's liftoff from the Kennedy Space Center - a shuttle record.

On board will be commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 47.

Brand and company originally were scheduled for takeoff May 30, but the ship was grounded the night before liftoff by a dangerous hydrogen fuel leak. A second leak grounded the ship twice more in September.

But Columbia finally passed a fueling test last month and engineers say the ship is back on track for blastoff. An official launch date will be set next week after a one-day flight readiness review at the Kennedy Space Center.

An internal space agency rule requires three weeks between shuttle missions so data from one flight can be studied before launching the next.

The rule was put in place after the 1986 Challenger disaster to make sure problems like those with the doomed shuttle's boosters are found before another shuttle is launched.

But NASA managers say Atlantis's boosters and other critical systems can be inspected in time for Columbia to take off early next month and that if any major problems are discovered, the flight can be put on hold.

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(NOV. 21) UPI - The Chicago Blackhawks are defending their honor on the road.

The Blackhawks have not been known for their fierce play away from the friendly confines of Chicago Stadium. However, with a 3-1 victory over the Edmonton Oilers, they are 4-0 on their current road swing and that has given them the best record the league.

Chicago has 34 points, one ahead of the New York Rangers, with each team having played 24 games.

''It feels great,'' said Chicago Coach Mike Keenan. ''We've built our entire game on team defense and it's working out well for us. We've got really good balance and we've been getting a consistent effort from everybody.''

Chris Chelios, Adam Creighton and Jeremy Roenick scored in rapid succession late in the first period to give the Blackhawks a 3-0 lead. Roenick attributed Chicago's success to ''hard work and confidence, especially in our goaltending''.

Netminder Ed Belfour once again played well and improved upon the 1.95 goals against average he brought into the game.

''They had a great jump right at the start,'' said Edmonton defenseman Kevin Lowe. ''They were really freewheeling. Then when we had our chances in the second period we could only score once. They're playing really well right now. They're definitely functioning on all cylinders.''

The loss snapped the Oilers' three-game winning streak and ended a four-game homestand. The Blackhawks are 4-0 on their six-game road trip and are unbeaten in their past seven road games. They have also earned 20 of a possible 24 points in their past 12 games (9-1-2).

Chicago dominated from the outset but needed 16:28 to open scoring as Chelios drilled a low point shot through traffic on a Chicago power play.

A quick flick of the wrists from Creighton put the puck in the top corner from 10 feet out at 17:16 to make it 2-0. Goal No. 3 came at 19:18 when Roenick stuffed home his own rebound from the edge of the crease.

The Oilers responded in the second period, scoring the only goal despite being outshot 11-7. Glenn Anderson cut the lead to 3-1 with a brilliantly executed deflection of a Steve Smith point shot on the power play at 9:37. Anderson burst out from the corner and arrived at the edge of the crease at the same time as Smith's low drive.

--- AROUND THE NHL ---

In other games Tuesday night, Los Angeles nipped New Jersey 5-4 and St. Louis overcame Winnipeg 4-2.

Kings 5, Devils 4

At Inglewood, Calif., Tomas Sandstrom fired in the first three goals of the game, but had to add an assist on John Tonelli's winning score with 4:33 to play to power the surging Kings. Wayne Gretzky added a goal and two assists for the Smythe Division leaders, to pull to within one point of NHL leader John Cullen's 39 points. New Jersey battled back as John MacLean set up two second period goals and then scored twice in the third period to deadlock the match with 11:20 to play.

Blues 4, Jets 2

At St. Louis, Gino Cavallini scored the winning goal with 5:47 left, rallying the Blues. The victory helped the Blues avenge Sunday night's game in which they lost a lead and the game in the third period in Winnipeg. St. Louis has won seven of its last eight games and is 13-2-1 in its last 16 games for a

franchise-best start of 15-5-1.

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(NOV. 21) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

New Jersey	0	2	2	--4
Los Angeles	2	2	1	--5

First period-1, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 10 (Gretzky, Granato), 9:50. 2, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 11 (Granato, Gretzky), 19:08.

Penalties-Granato, LA, 6:10; Lemieux, NJ, 10:44.

Second period-3, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 12 (unassisted), 1:30. 4, Los Angeles, Gretzky 14 (Taylor), 7:58. 5, New Jersey, Muller 8 (MacLean), 9:38. 6, New Jersey, Stastny 6 (MacLean, Muller), 12:04.

Penalties-O'Connor, NJ, 3:09; Sandstrom, LA, 10:01; Shanahan, NJ, 15:19.

Third period-7, New Jersey, MacLean 12 (Weinrich), 5:53. 8, New Jersey, MacLean 13 (Muller, Stastny), 8:40. 9, Los Angeles, Tonelli 4 (Sandstrom, Robinson), 15:27.

Penalties-Weinrich, NJ, 0:23; Kasatonov, NJ, 9:31; Sandstrom, 9:31.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 12-11-17-40. Los Angeles 10-13-15-38.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 2-0. Los Angeles 4-0.

Goaltenders-New Jersey, Terreri. Los Angeles, Berthiaume. A-16,005.

Referee-Andy Van Hellemond.

Chicago	3	0	0	--3
Edmonton	0	1	0	--1

First period-1, Chicago, Chelios 7 (Thomas, Presley), pp, 16:28. 2, Chicago, Creighton 6 (Thomas, Manson), 17:46. 3, Chicago, Roenick 12 (Goulet, Konroyd), 19:18.

Penalties-Buchberger, Edm, 1:01; Presley, Chi, 3:23; S. Smith, Edm, 15:28.

Second period-4, Edmonton, Anderson 3 (S. Smith, Messier), pp, 9:33.

Penalties-Creighton, Chi, 2:04; Roenick, Chi, 8:39; Middendorf, Edm, 14:47; Klima, Edm, 17:41; Thomas, Chi, 19:06; Roenick, Chi, (misconduct), 19:06.

Third Period-None.

Penalties-Manson, Chi, 1:49; Hudson, Chi, 10:03; Graves, Edm, 13:10; Chicago bench (served by McGill), 14:45.

Shots on goal-Chicago 12-11-8-31, Edmonton 6-7-6-19.

Power-play conversions-Chicago 5-1, Edmonton 7-1.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Ranford; Chicago, Belfour. A-16,474.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Winnipeg	0	1	1	--2
St. Louis	1	0	3	--4

First period-1, St. Louis, Lowry 6 (Wilson, Raglan), 10:58.

Penalties-Olausson, Win, 5:32; Olczyk, Win, 12:42; Sutter, StL, 12:32; Elynuik Win, 14:29; Marios, StL, 18:07.

Second period-2, Winnipeg, Elynuik 9 (Numminen, Steen), 16:13.

Penalties-Evans, Win, 1:13; Donnelly, Win, double- minor, 3:52; Raglan, StL, 3:52; Evans, Win, 6:23; Tabaracci, Win, 10:38; G. Cavallini, StL, 11:05; Marois, StL, 11:33; Featherstone, StL, 19:13.

Third period-3, Winnipeg, Paslawski 5 (Ashton), 8:21. 4, St. Louis, Momesso, 5 (MacLean, Wilson), 11:41. 5, St. Louis, G. Cavallini 4 (Brown, Brind'Amour), 14:13. 6, St. Louis, Wilson 3 (P. Cavallini), 19:50.

Penalties-Donnelly, Win, 10:45; Sutter, StL, 10:45; Courtnall, StL, major (misconduct), 10:45; Osborne Win, major (misconduct).

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 4-8-7-19. St. Louis 19-8-10-37.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 4-0. St. Louis 6-0.

Goaltenders-Winnipeg, Tabaracci. St. Louis, Joseph. A-16,905.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

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(NOV. 21) UPI - WEDNESDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR

(All times EST)
Basketball
Houston at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Minnesota at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Orlando at Utah, 9:30 p.m.
Chicago at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Denver at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
New Jersey at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Hockey
NY Rangers at Buffalo, 7:35 p.m.
Quebec at Hartford, 7:35 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at Washington, 8:05 p.m.
Chicago at Vancouver, 10:35 p.m.

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#90325u0235 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 21) UPI - The Minnesota Vikings activated running back D.J. Dozier Tuesday.

To make room for Dozier and possibly for quarterback Wade Wilson, the Vikings waived linebacker Walker Lee Ashley and quarterback Gil Renfroe.

For now, Wilson, who is recovering from a thumb injury, is officially listed on the practice squad. If he shows this week in practice that he can throw the ball well enough, he probably will be activated.

To make room for Wilson on the practice squad, rookie linebacker Kerry Owens was released.

''We'll see how Wade throws and how well he moves around and then make a decision later in the week,'' Coach Jerry Burns said. ''No matter what, though (Rich) Gannon will definitely start on Sunday.''

The Vikings, 4-6, take on the Chicago Bears, 9-1, at the Metrodome Sunday. Gannon got off to an 0-4 start as Wilson's replacement following the starter's injury in the Vikings' last game with Chicago Sept. 23. But the Vikings have won their last three games with Gannon at the controls.

Dozier, who signed recently after holding out while he played minor league baseball in the New York Mets organization, is needed because of an injury to

Rick Fenney.

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#90325u0241 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 21) UPI - President Bush arrived in the volatile Middle East Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving Day with American troops and bolster the alliance against Iraq's Saddam Hussein with key leaders, including Syria's President Hafez Al-Assad.

Arriving in the second largest Saudi city bordering the Red Sea, Bush was greeted with royal fanfare by Saudi Arabia King Fahd and an entourage of princes draped in ceremonial robes.

Under clear skies and a bright crescent moon, which is the symbol on the Saudi flag, Bush shared a ceremonial cup of coffee with Fahd before heading to the spectacular al-Hambra Palace where he met with the exiled emir of Kuwait, Sheik Jabir al-Alhmad al-Jabir al-Sabah.

Bush arranged to meet with Fahd later over a state dinner.

In an announcement timed to coincide with Bush's dramatic evening arrival, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater revealed that the president also would meet Friday with Assad, a longtime U.S. rival but current ally in the Persian Gulf standoff.

''The two presidents will discuss a number of international and regional issues,'' Fitzwater said from Air Force One, shortly before Bush's jumbo jet touched down.

Syria also is believed to have some indirect influence over some of the hostage-takers in Lebanon, but Fitzwater said the main purpose of the two hours of talks in Geneva Friday, arranged at the behest of Mideast allies, including Egypt and Turkey, will be to discuss the situation in the gulf.

Syria, which remains on the U.S. list of countries that sponsor international terrorism, has long been a bitter rival of Iraq and has sent troops and tanks to Saudi Arabia to join the anti-Saddam coalition led by the United States.

Bush landed in the oil-fed oasis assured of continued international support of actions against Saddam.

The meetings with Fahd and Assad, an opportunity to explore the next steps the administration believes are necessary to check Iraq, are part of his continuing attempt to isolate the Iraqi president and bolster the international coalition amassed against him since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Just before leaving Paris, Bush said he looked forward to spending Thanksgiving Day, complete with turkey and trimmings, with the 230,000 U.S. military troops stationed in the gulf.

''We have a lot to be thankful for,'' Bush told a news conference as he wound up his stay in Paris. ''And I will try to tell every single man and woman over there that we are going to prevail. We're not there for mission impossible.''

As for his journey into the troubled Persian Gulf area, he also assured reporters he did not feel he would be endangered when he travels through the Saudi desert on Thursday.

''I have never felt more secure in going any place than in going to see our troops there,'' said Bush, adding, ''And I think the men and women there are looking forward to visiting with us. Our safety is guaranteed. Not risky. Let me just assure people there is no risk.

''Why? Well, it's Thanksgiving.''

Before turning to the coming days' critical sessions with Middle Eastern leaders, Bush said the European nations he had consulted with were ''very solid'' in their support of U.S. policy against Iraq, adding that no one is suggesting compromise.

He also rejected reports that his relations with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev were strained because the Soviets deferred a public backing of further action against Saddam.

''Things are holding together and very well indeed,'' Bush said.

He also pledged he will keep up the pressure against the Iraq leader ''until he does what he should have done before.''

During his three-day stay in Paris, part of a weeklong 16,000 trip through Europe and the Middle East, Bush pressed a behind-the-scenes campaign to garner support for the use of force in the form of a new U.N. resolution.

U.S. officials indicated Tuesday that Bush appeared to have made progress toward that goal and indicated Moscow may be willing to back a U.N. resolution that would authorize conditional use of force against Iraq.

That disclosure was made after intense talks between Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and meetings between Bush and Gorbachev.

Officials also indicated several options were discussed with the Soviets leaning toward an approach that would give economic sanctions against Iraq more time - perhaps two months - before agreeing to execute an international

military effort to drive Saddam's troops from Kuwait.

Summing up the discussions, Shevardnadze pointed to the possible agreement down the road. ''I think the time has come for the security council to ... pass a proper judgment on what has been done in respect to implementation of the already passed resolutions. And, if there is a need, then adopt new resolutions.''

The United Nations has passed 10 resolutions condemning Iraq for its invasion and subsequent occupation of Kuwait and has imposed economic sanctions. The embargo basically has prevented Iraq from exporting goods, including the main product - oil. The economic counterpunch also has resulted in a freeze of Iraqi assets in the United States and abroad.

Before leaving Paris, Bush, Gorbachev and other world leaders signed the final documents of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, which was the forum for the signing of a major arms and forces accord that signaled the official end of the Cold War.

Bush told reporters Wednesday morning that ''the Cold War is over,'' a declaration he has avoided until this time. ''We have closed a chapter in history.''

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#90325u0257 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 21) UPI - Snow continued to pile up in the mountains of the West Wednesday and authorities said high winds and snow-packed roads made driving hazardous in the Colorado Rockies.

Snow fell throughout the Rockies and the mountains of the Northwest for the second day in a row, with up to 18 inches of snow piling up in some areas.

Authorities advised motorists to use snow tires or chains in the Red Mountain and Wolf Creek passes of Colorado's San Juan Mountains.

High winds to 60 mph buffeted the front range and Pikes Peak area of Colorado, the National Weather Service said. Gusts reached 80 mph at the top of the ski lift near Wolf Creek, Colo. Travelers were warned to be prepared for blowing and drifting snow.

Snow also fell across the mountains of northern California Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Arizona and New Mexico.

Rain extended from the southeast third of New Mexico across Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, South Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Early morning temperatures were in the 20s in northern New England and the

northern Rockies, the 30s in the East, the 40s and 50s in the Midwest and the 60s in the desert Southwest, Southern California and the South.

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#90325u0294 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (NOV. 21) UPI - State Farm Insurance Co. has agreed to pay $12 million to settle a discrimination suit filed by south Texas women, blacks and Hispanics denied jobs by the company.

The agreement, tentatively approved Tuesday by U.S. District Judge David Hittner, would settle a year-old class-action suit filed against the nation's largest property and casulaty insurer by seven Texas women.

The plaintiffs - from Dallas, El Paso, Austin, and San Antonio - claimed they were denied jobs as State Farm agent trainees and field claim representatives as part of a widespread pattern of discrimination by the company from 1975 to 1983.

State Farm agreed in 1988 to settle a similar suit filed in California by paying each of three women $420,000 and guaranteeing at least half its new agent jobs in the state would go to women over the next decade. A second discrimination suit filed against the company in California is pending.

Under the Texas settlement, the women will share $500,000 to recover wages they would have received if State Farm had hired them. The balance of the award will be distributed by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission to women and minorities in State Farm's South Texas region, which includes Houston, San Antonio, Austin, and El Paso.

The money will be available to all Hispanics, blacks, and women in the region who were not hired, recruited, or promoted as State Farm agent trainees or field claim representative trainees before 1984.

Money also will be distributed to women or minorities who can prove they did not apply for State Farm jobs because they were discouraged by the company's history of discrimination, said Donna Ryu, an attorney who helped negotiate the settlement.

State Farm spokesman Mark Brandt said the Bloomington, Ill., company does not now have any inequities in its hiring system. "We make a conscientious effort to recruit an all-American agency force," Brandt said. "Our numbers would show that we have done a good job."

Brandt declined to release statistics about State Farm's Texas employees because of restrictions in the settlement agreement. But he said the company has 1,477 agents in the state, including 762 in the South Texas region.

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#90325u0319 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 21) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Wednesday:

Butter: Prices paid to delivery mixed; (92 score A) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-99 1/2.

Eggs: Prices paid to delivery unchanged; prices to retailers (grade A, in cartons delivered); Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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#90325u0332 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 21) UPI - President Bush joined Soviet President Gorbachev and other world leaders this morning to sign the final documents of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe. The C-S-C-E accords signal the official end of the Cold War.

Bush leaves Paris this morning on his way to Saudi Arabia, where he'll discuss the Persian Gulf crisis with the exiled Emir of Kuwait and Saudi King Fahd later today. Bush also will spend Thanksgiving with U-S troops amassed in the region.

Bush's departure comes amid indications he made some progress in his diplomatic efforts against Saddam Hussein. U-S officials indicate Moscow may be willing to back a U-N resolution that would authorize the conditional use of force against Iraq.

British Prime Minister Thatcher says she's disappointed she has to face a second ballot in a leadership challenge by her former defense minister. But Thatcher says she'll fight the final round of the political battle.

In El Salvador, a colonel and eight other members of the Salvadoran military have been formally charged with committing acts of terrorism in last year's slaying of six Jesuit priests. The new charges are in addition to murder charges already filed against the nine.

Now that the shuttle Atlantis is safely back on the ground after a surprise Florida landing yesterday... NASA has turned its attention to the launch of the shuttle Columbia in less than two weeks. Columbia will blast off around December 2nd to kick off a long-delayed astronomy flight.

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#90325u0344 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 21) UPI - President Bush has arrived in Saudi Arabia to spend Thanksgiving Day with American troops and to meet with key leaders in the alliance against Iraq's Saddam Hussein.

In an announcement timed to co-incide with Bush's dramatic evening arrival in Saudi Arabia, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater confirmed that Bush will meet Friday with Syria's President Hafez Assad. Syria long has been a U-S rival but has become an ally in the gulf standoff.

Before leaving Paris for the Middle East, Bush told reporters that- IN HIS WORDS- ''We have a lot to be thankful for.'' Bush says he plans to tell the troops that they are NOT on ''mission impossible'' and that they will prevail.

Authorites in Washington, D-C, are giving the all-clear for tenants of a 12-story office tower evacuated on Monday because of a cave-in at a neighboring construction site. The building houses the world headquarters of United Presss International, which shifted its newspaper editorial operations to suburban Virginia. The broadcast wire operations in Chicago was NOT affected, although the U-P-I Radio Network did shift its operations between New York and Los Angeles.

Parents of students at the Pulaski Acadamy public grade school in Chicago are upset by a mysterious note left at their homes. The note calls for unspecified action against a student who has the AIDS virus. The handwritten, unsigned and photocopied note advises parents to take their children out of the school. A panel of the Chicago school board has reviewed the case and reports the AIDS-affected child poses NO significant risk to other students.

Freedom of expression still is NOT allowed in China. The world's most populous nation has imposed sweeping restructions on NON-official posters or slogans appearing in its cities. The 11-point regulation is just the latest restriction placed on Chinese by a government that has severely trimmed constitutionally guaranteed rights of free expression during the past 18 months.

A lawyer for Chuck Berry says the father of rock 'n' roll has been put on two years' probation for misdemeanor possession of marijuana... but that child abuses charges aginst the legendary musician have been dropped. A judge in St. Charles, Missouri, threw out accusations that the 64-year-old Berry had filmed people under the age of 17 for the purposes of sexual gratification. Berry still faces civil lawsuits filed by at least one former employee and by more than 200 women in a class- action suit who say Berry videotaped them while they used restrooms at businesses he owned.

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#90325u0346 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA (NOV. 21) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 150; slaughter steers and heifers absent from the market this pre holiday trading session, receipts primarily slaughter cows 2.00 higher than Tuesday; slaughter bulls not established; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4, breaking few 51.00- 51.25, boning 44.50-56.00; low to average cutter 44.00-49.00.

Hogs 1,100, feeder pigs 700, total 1,800; butchers 2.00 higher, broad outlet, No 1-3 220- 260 lb 51.50-52.00, No 2-3 260-280 lb 50.00-51.25, 280-300 lb 48.00-49.00; sows 40 percent, under 500 lb, steady to 50 higher, for the third day in a row over 500 lb sows hard to move, even at prices 2.00-3.00 lower, No 1-3 350-500 lb 42.00-42.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 43.50-44.50.

Sheep 50; not established.

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#90325u0348 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Author-lyricist John Driver has given James Clavell's richly resonant historical novel, ''Shogun,'' the sound of hollow brass in its reincarnation as a $6 million Broadway musical noteworthy for its production values and little else.

''Shogun: The Musical,'' which opened at the Marquis Theater Tuesday, is the sort of extravagant show that evokes more applause for its 70 tons of scenery and stage effects than for its acting and singing, a trend of the 1980s that shows no signs of abating.

The acting and singing is good enough but Driver's book is almost incomprehensible to anyone unascquainted with the novel or the TV mini- series it spawned and the songs are forgettable.

Academic composer Paul Seiko Chihara's music is pleasant enough in the Andrew Lloyd Webber vein with Oriental overtones, but it lacks the melodic and

rhythmic distinction necessary to a hit musical.

Philip Casnoff, a youthful actor whose credits include TV's ''North and South '' plays John Blackthorne, an English sea captain whose ship runs ashore in a storm in medieval Japan. Marooned there, he becomes involved in a samurai civil war, commercial intrigue involving venal Portuguese Jesuit missionaries, and a romance with the wife of an evil court official.

Seppuku, which is ritual suicide according to a glossary in the Playbill, is rife in ''Shogun'' but it is not an exaggerated symbol for a show that displays suicidal tendencies as early as the first hour of its three-hour eternity.

Casnoff has enough spirit and talent to provide a dashing though callow hero and he has a serviceable but not particularly musical voice. But his Blackthorne suffers in contrast to the larger characterization Francis Ruivivar gives the role of the Shogun.

Ruivivar makes this man of humor and political resourcefulness immensely likable and he dominates the stage whenever given the chance. He is graceful for a portly man, giving a fine account of the hornpipe with Blackthorne as his dancing master, and blessed with a sonorous vocal instrument.

June Angela as Blackthorne's paramour, Lady Mariko, has a pretty face, fluty voice and servile blandness that is boring rather than charming. Jo-Ann Hunter makes much more of her role as a flippant courtesan, and John Herrera as a greedy Jesuit and Joseph Foronda as the nobleman cuckolded by Blackthorne are commendable.

Director-choreographer Michael Smuin has attacked the dramatic possibilities of ''Shogun'' with relish.

The show opens with amusingly fake sea storm that could double for the opener of Verdi's ''Otello'' and moves on to a fiery earthquake, cavalry troops riding through fog and snow, a firefly festival, a clever twist on an archery contest, displays of martial arts, ninja hijinks and simulated sex behind a diaphanous curtain.

Good taste does not stand in Smuin's way when he wants to make an effect that will stun or titillate his audience. The scene of courtesans singing a paean to a dildo and other sexual enhancements certainly rates mention when the book of Broadway's best blunders is compiled. TV's ''Shogun'' was too prudish to even mention the subject, which is to TV's lasting credit.

Loren Sherman's sets, especially the palace interiors with their lovely screens and polished woods, are sheer poetry in combination with Natasha Katz's lyric lighting, especially the lovely scene in which Lady Mariko has tea without sympathy with her husband, Lord Buntaro.

The sets provide a a marvelously varied series of backgrounds for Patricia Zipprodt's magical costumes in silks and brocades that dazzle the senses and finally overwhelm them with a whirl of warrior's golden coats that brings down the curtain.

Smuin's choreography is resourceful, forceful or silky as the dramatic situation requires, although never as polished as the exotic choreography Jerome Robbins created for ''The King and I,'' the show about English woman struggling to understand the alien culture of Siam, just as Blackthorne tries to fathom the misteries of Japan.

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#90325u0362 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 21) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed lower Wednesday in light trading as a lack of confidence kept professional investors off the trading floor.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which fell 312.68 points Tuesday, plummeted 388.49 points to 22,816.99.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major issues lost 31.26 points to 1,688.53.

Declines hammered advances 869 to 121, while only 87 issues remained unchanged.

An estimated 260 million shares changed hands, compared with 218 million shares Tuesday.

Elsewhere in Asia, local investors in Hong Kong worked stock prices back from a nearly 40-point deficit to close moderately lower on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which fell 10.66 points Tuesday, lost another 18.26 points to 3,013.66.

Among the narrower indexes, financials dropped 17.35 points, utilities fell 32.63, industrials sank 21.41 while properties added 3.62 points.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 758 million shares, compared with 828 million shares changing hands Tuesday.

In Singapore, stocks slipped in thin trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange following sharp loss in Tokyo.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which gained 4.23 points Tuesday, ended unchanged at 1,126.98.

The broader-based All Singapore Index, which slipped 0.10 point Tuesday, eased 0.77 point to 311.49.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 35.3 million shares, compared with 47.3 million shares changing hands Tuesday.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stock prices closed lower in thin trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange amid rumours Thailand's Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan was ready to resign.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which fell 5.53 points Tuesday, lost 8.86 points to 643.86.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 67 million Thai shares, compared with 82 million shares changing hands Tuesday.

In Australia, stock prices closed higher on the Sydney Sharemarket driven by the belief that interest rates will fall again by Christmas.

The All Ordinaries Index, which gained 17.5 points Tuesday, gained another 8.6 points to 1,374.1 - for its third straight rise.

The All Industrials Index gained 19.6 points to 2,074.7 and the All Resources Index added 1.1 point to 832.1.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 99 million shares, compared with 107 million shares changing hands Tuesday.

Advances outpaced declines 148 to 116, while 193 stocks remained unchanged.

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#90325u0376 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (NOV. 21) UPI - For all of Saddam Hussein's confident rhetoric that he can survive anything the U.S.-dominated alliance throws at him, a returning Egyptian worker said Wednesday that Iraq is running out of food and its troops could be forced to fight on an empty stomach.

Iraq last week ordered cuts in rations of a number of basic foods in an indication the three-month-old U.N.-sponsored economic embargo was beginning to bite.

One Egyptian returnee called Mohammed, who asked that his family name not be used for safety reasons, said in an interview in Cairo that Iraq might soon run out of wheat and has begun slaughtering livestock because of a shortage of animal food.

''Iraq has stocks of wheat to last only a few more weeks,'' said Mohammed, citing Iraqi contacts in Baghdad. ''They are mixing barley into the flour to make up for the shortfall and the bread does not taste very nice. But even this barley will finish.''

He said beef remains available, although expensive, but only because of the stepped-up slaughtering of livestock, particularly cattle.

The Egyptian, who spent three years in Iraq as a technician, said there were also shortages of powdered milk, which is extensively used not only for feeding babies but also in cooking given Iraq's insufficient dairy production.

He said despite an appeal by Saddam and his wife on Baghdad Radio Aug. 12 for Iraqi women to cut consumption of meat by half and refrain from hoarding food, many families were worried that a protracted U.N. blockade could cause malnutrition and even starvation.

''If military action is delayed by another three months, some people (in Baghdad) think Iraqi soldiers may have to fight on empty stomachs, or at least without the food they are used to,'' Mohammed said.

To persuade Iraqi farmers to release their stocks, Saddam ordered the Ministry of Trade to increase prices paid them for wheat, barley and corn by up to 50 percent.

In other signs of desperation, Egyptian press reports said Saddam had asked Thailand and Brazil to help alleviate the country's food shortages. Iraq was reported to have asked the Thai government to resume shipments of food, especially rice, in return for which Thai nationals would receive exit visas.

Iraq freed about 240 Brazilian engineering workers and asked Brazil to send more food, the reports said. Brazil had been a major exporter to Iraq of frozen chickens, beef and sugar.

Despite Saddam's statements that he can take anything and still emerge victorious, Amman radio recently reported that Iraq was unable to import food in large quantities across the sealed Turkish, Saudi and Syrian borders.

The state-owned radio said despite Iraq's peace settlement with Iran, Iranian leaders confirmed they would abide by U.N. sanctions and would not open a food supply route for Saddam.

The air embargo has halted food shipments and Western navies are imposing a strict sea blockade in the Persian Gulf.

Although some supplies were still reported to be getting through from Jordan, ''the volume is insufficient to meet Iraqi needs'' and was declining as the international embargo was taking effect.

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#90325u0415 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (NOV. 21) UPI - Government troops Wednesday beefed up security in the capital following rebel attacks that killed 25 people and wounded at least 116, the armed forces said.

In a speech broadcast nationally Tuesday night, President Alfredo Cristiani warned rebels that their dependence on military action to win concessions in the peace talks could backfire.

''Far from making the developing peace process more dynamic, you are putting it in danger,'' Cristiani said. ''The violence will generate confrontational attitudes that will not allow the reflection necessary for reaching agreements.''

Rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, known by its Spanish initials as the FMLN, said attacks Tuesday against four important military installations and several economic targets were aimed at ending a stalemate in the 6-month-old U.N.-mediated peace process.

The talks have broken down over rebel demands for a purge of the armed forces and replacement of the military with a civilian police force.

Defense Minister Rene Emilio Ponce said 12 soldiers, 10 guerrillas and three civilians were killed Tuesday in rebel attacks in nine provinces. Heavy fighting also broke out in several small towns in the northern suburbs of the capital.

Ponce said 50 civilians, 66 soldiers and an undetermined number of guerrillas were wounded in the most widespread attacks since the FMLN's massive offensive on the capital in November 1989.

''The armed forces continues on alert,'' he said. ''We are working 24 hours a day to defend a system and our people.''

Although fighting has been continuous in the rebel-controlled northern mountains, Tuesday's attacks brought the decade-old civil war back to the cities for the first time since last year's offensive.

Government spokesmen characterized the fighting as a major offensive but the FMLN calleld it a ''military campaign ... of limited objectives.''

''We reserve the right to launch a large scale military offensive in the short or medium term,'' the FMLN said in a statement. ''The end of the war will come only with the complete disappearance of the antidemocratic army.''

Citing its constitutional mandate, the Salvadoran armed forces has firmly rejected rebel demands that the army be disbanded.

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#90325u0417 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 21) UPI - Reeling from a serious blow to her leadership, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher declared Wednesday that she will fight to victory in the toughest and perhaps last big battle of her political career.

''I fight on, I fight to win,'' Thatcher, commonly known as the ''Iron Lady,'' said outside the 10 Downing Street office she has held for 11 1/2 years.

Michael Heseltine, her challenger as leader of the ruling Conservative Party and thus as prime minister, likewise expressed optimism.

''I think the unanimous view of all my supporters ... is that I had to go on '' Heseltine said, ''and we were reinforced by the number of people who had not voted for me on the first round ... who have said, 'We will now switch to you on the second.'''

Heseltine failed Tuesday to oust Thatcher outright as head of the Party, but drew enough votes to force a second ballot Nov. 27 that could sweep her from power.

Thatcher was four votes short of turning back the challenge and continuing her 15-year tenure as leader, receiving 204 votes compared with Heseltine's 152 in the vote of Conservative members of Parliament. Sixteen members abstained.

The winner will need a simple majority of 187 votes if there are no other candidates or abstentions.

Thatcher has alienated many party members with her aggressive opposition to greater European Community integration and a common European currency.

Both Thatcher, 65, and Heseltine, 57, declared their intentions to compete on the second ballot, but only Heseltine's nomination papers had been submitted by Wednesday evening. Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd and Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major were expected to nominate Thatcher before the deadline of noon Thursday.

Senior Conservatives met with Thatcher Wednesday morning upon her return from a 34-nation European summit in Paris.

Party Chairman Kenneth Baker, a Thatcher supporter; Cranley Onslow; government chief whip Tim Renton, and Norman Tebbit, a former Cabinet member, were among those present. Hurd, seen as a possible candidate if Thatcher steps down, slipped in through a backdoor.

Thatcher emerged from the meeting unbowed to report to Parliament on the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe. Some members waved and cheered in support of her as she entered the House of Commons.

Tebbit said Thatcher would fight for her political life until the end. ''She has already made that clear.''

Conservative leaders are concerned about the ruling party's future, with a deadline of mid-1992 for a general election.

''Obviously, anybody who believes in the Conservative Party is worried,'' said Tory elder statesman William Whitelaw. ''We've got to get united and win the next election, and getting united is a very great problem after all the fuss that has happened.''

Despite speculation that Tory leaders would pressure Thatcher to stand aside for the good of the party, Whitelaw said the decision rests with her alone. ''It is up to her to decide what she does, and I would support entirely what she does,'' he said.

Goeffrey Johnson Smith, a leader of the committee overseeing next Tuesday's vote, said some members of Parliament have expressed a desire to vote for candidates other than Thatcher or Heseltine. ''They would like a wider choice than just leaving it to the two to slug it out at the OK Corral next Tuesday '' he said.

Heseltine took a jab at Thatcher for her announcement that she would run on the second ballot within 10 minutes of hearing the tally at the British Embassy in Paris. ''I wouldn't have done that,'' he told the British Broadcasting Corp., faulting her leadership style.

''Really, we're talking about the same thing, about whether the Cabinet has a role in the way this government is run and whether perhaps the elder, experienced voices of the party who have always played a big role behind the scene in time of difficulty, whether perhaps they shouldn't have had a chance to explore the options and take the temperature.''

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AUSTIN, MN (NOV. 21) UPI - Geo. A. Hormel Co. said Wednesday it earned a company record $77.1 million, or $1.01 a share, for the fiscal year ended Oct. 27, up10 percent from the $70 million, or 91 cents a share, reported in 1989. Net sales for the year reached nearly $2.6 billion, a gain of 14.6 percent over the $2.34 billion reported last year.

For the fourth quarter, Hormel had net earnings of $36.32 million, or 48 cents

a share, up from $32.3 million, or 42 cents a share, in the year-ago period. Fourth-quarter sales were $772.82 million, up from $699.08 million in the year-ago period.

Hormel said it was distributing $6.72 million to its employees as part of its profit-sharing program. That averages out to $1,303 for each eligible employee an increase of $62 from last year.

"We are pleased tgo again provide profit-sharing to our employees," Chairman R.L. Knowlton said. "Profit-sharing is our opportunity to express appreciation for the dedicated employees who contributed to the company's record results in fiscal 1990." The 100-year-old meat and food processing company, ironically, was torn by a bitter and sometimes violent 13-month strike which ended in September, 1986.

Hormel also announced its 25th consecutive annual increase in its dividend rate Wednesday. The company will pay a dividend of 30 cents a share, up from 26 cents.

The earnings results left Knowlton glowing about the company's performance. "Unusual and unforeseen near-record high pork prices placed severe pressure on margins and tested our ability to incorporate into product pricing the escalating raw material costs," Knowlton said.

"Compounding the problem was a sluggish economy and rapidly rising energy costs, which adversely impacted year-end results due to increased production and transportation expenses.

"Our ability to finish with a record year while confronted with major industry challengres is evidence the corporation can successfully achieve its established objectives regardless of almost any difficulty."

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LONDON (NOV. 21) UPI - Stock prices closed higher Wednesday in moderate trading on the London International Stock Exchange as Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher vowed to continue fighting a leadership challenge and institutional dealers anticipated a recovery from recession.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 19.3 points Tuesday, closed up 11.1 points at 2,126.3. The narrower top 30 industrial average gained 8.9 points to 1,676.0.

Volume amounted to around 444 million shares, down from the 518 million shares changing hands on Tuesday.

The stability of the British pound was a key factor in the equity market's

surge. Thatcher's firm stance against stepping down in the face of Michael Heseltine's challenge to her position as Conservative party leader, and the threat of Bank of England intervention helped to prop the sagging British currency higher, analysts said.

A lower opening on Wall Street tempered some of the gains in London, however, market watchers said.

But some favorable corporate earnings reports suggested that all was not gloom in the British economy.

On the trading floor, Courtauld's gained 4 cents to $6.06 after the paints, packaging and chemicals group announced its interim pre-tax profits climbed 23 percent, with worldwide sales up slightly more than 4 percent.

Telecommunications group Cable & Wireless announced interim pre-tax profits rose 25 percent.

''For all the uncertainty in the world economic climate, the telecommunications industry is in good shape and growing vigorously,'' said Cable & Wireless chairman Lord Young, in a statement.

Cable & Wireless lost 12 cents to $7.93 as dealers discounted the figures.

B.A.T Industries, the financial services and tobacco company, gained 16 cents to $10.73 despite a poor profits statement.

Guinness PLC gained 4 cents to $14.25 on news of its acquisition of Spain's largest brewer, Cruz del Campo.

Media and information group Reuters dropped 26 cents to $11.97.

In Germany, banks, major businesses, markets and government offices were closed for the Penance Day holiday.

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(NOV. 21) UPI - Leaders of 34 nations today in Paris adopted and signed a new blueprint for post-Cold War security in Europe. The sweeping 20-page Charter of Paris cements a new age of East-West harmony after four decades of tension. The heads of state, including President Bush, said in the final document of a landmark three-day summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe- quoting- ''The era of confrontation and division of Europe has ended.''

President Bush says he and Soviet President Gorbachev and many other nations are ''on the same wavelength'' on the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush rejected reports that he and the Soviet leader don't see eye-to-eye on the possible use

of military force against Iraq. The president told reporters in Paris this morning- ''I think we have good synchronization with them and many other nations as we face the problems of the gulf.''

With the European summit behind him, Bush leaves the French capital today to journey to the Saudi Arabian desert. He's scheduled to hold talks this afternoon in Jeddah with the exiled emir of Kuwait and Saudi King Fahd. The president and the first lady will then spend Thanksgiving day visiting American and British troops at several locations in desert.

In New York, fallen junk bond king Michael Milken faces up to 28 years in prison this morning when he's sentenced on securities and tax violations. The 44-year-old Milken, who earned a fortune peddling junk bonds, has pleaded guilty to six counts, including five counts of illegal securities trading and one count of filing a false tax statement. And he's agreed to pay 600-Million dollars in fines and penalties.

City and federal safety officials in Washington, D-C, are still trying to determine what caused the collapse of a giant excavation site four blocks from the White House. The pit cave-in Monday night swallowed up construction trailers, a crane, a truck, and portions of the adjacent street and sidewalk. Authorities are concerned about the structural integrity of surrounding buildings, including the 12-story United Press International building where a 90-foot pylon supporting the structure was exposed in the collapse.

In Atlanta, the estranged wife of suspected mail bomber Walter Moody Junior reportedly has pleaded guilty to charges related to his appeal of a 1972 bomb possession conviction. The Atlanta Constitution newspaper quotes unnamed sources as saying that Susan Moody pleaded guilty to witness-tampering charges earlier this month in a closed court hearing and the judge sealed records of the proceeding. The paper says Susan Moody agreed to cooperate with government prosecutors in their investigation of her husband.

Massachusetts Congressman Barney Frank has been moved out of intensive care at a Boston hospital and predicts he'll be back to work when Congress reconvenes in January. The 50-year-old Democratic lawmaker suffered a mild heart attack while exercising last weekend. Doctors at Beth Israel Hospital say Frank will remain in the hospital for another seven to 10 days for tests and observation. Frank said of his condition- ''There's NO good time for something like this to happen, but at least Congress is now out.''

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MOSCOW (NOV. 21) UPI - Leaders of the Russian-speaking Dniester region decided Wednesday to proceed with weekend elections in their effort to break from the Moldavian republic, despite fears of ethnic clashes and appeals from a top Soviet official.

The elections are scheduled for Sunday but the local election commission allowed voting to begin Wednesday in the city of Bendery and early balloting may also be held in other areas ''depending on the local political situation '' the independent Interfax news service said.

Russians and Ukrainians in the area of Moldavia east of the Dniester River and the Gagauzis in the republic's southern part have declared their own autonomous regions because of fears that minority rights will be trampled under Moldavian nationalism and the majority's desire to reunite with neighboring Romania.

At least three people were reported killed in the Dniester region earlier this month in clashes between Russian and Ukrainian residents and Moldavian militia and vigilantes.

Elections last month to set up a separate Parliament in the southern Gagauz region also led to ethnic confrontations, with Soviet Interior Ministry troops sent in to prevent serious bloodshed.

Moldavian President Mircea Snegur and the republic's Parliament have said the declarations of autonomy by the Dniester and Gagauz regions are illegal. Snegur said on republican television Tuesday night the Dniester elections planned Sunday are illegitimate and should be boycotted.

Marshal Sergei Akhromeyev, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's top military adviser who also represents Moldavia in the national legislature, has been in the republic since Monday, pushing for a deal that would cancel or postpone the elections.

But a ''Provisional Supreme Soviet'' set up in the Dniester region declared Wednesday, after meeting with Akhromeyev and a conciliatory commission of the Moldavian Parliament, that the elections would be held as scheduled, Interfax said.

''Preparations to elect the Supreme Soviet of the so-called Dniester Republic are still continuing,'' the official Tass news agency said.

Interfax said that the provisional legislature decided to hold a meeting Dec. 1 to decide whether to accept a moratorium on the election results, apparently a possible compromise to avoid ethnic confrontation.

In another move toward compromise, the Moldavian Parliament gave preliminary approval Wednesday to a measure that would guarantee the rights of all ethnic groups in the republic and allow education in languages other than Moldavian, which has been declared the republic's official language.

Tass said the law passed on first reading and would be published in the

republic's press in an effort to defuse ethnic tension before it is given final approval.

Akhromeyev, respected in both Moscow and his home republic, urged Moldavian leaders in the republic's capital of Kishinev to denounce any desire to join Romania and agree instead to sign a new ''union treaty'' to remain in the Soviet Union.

Akhromeyev then urged the Dniester area to cancel or at least postpone elections for a local legislature.

Clashes between Moldavians and Russian speakers broke out two weeks ago in the Dniester region because of rumors the elections would be held early, and in the past week there have been reports of fresh ethnic violence in Moldavia.

Local authorities imposed a state of emergency until Dec. 1 in the Dniester River city of Tirapsol to ''prevent provocations'' during the weekend elections.

Interfax said Moldavian militia members were being harassed and even kicked out of the Russian-speaking cities along the Dniester, and that workers' self-defense groups had sealed off the city of Bendery, where it said telephone communications were disrupted earlier in the week by explosions.

Soviet television showed women and children in the region sheltered together at a barracks because of fears of ethnic violence, and Interfax said some schools had been closed for several days.

A republic of 4.4 million people, Moldavia was formed by joining a former Moldavian autonomous area of the Ukraine with large areas of Romania that Josef Stalin seized in 1940 as part of a secret pact with Nazi Fuhrer Adolf Hitler.

Moldavians, whose language is Romanian, make up 64 percent of the republic's population, Ukrainians 14.2 percent and Russians 12.8 percent. Gagauzis represent 3.5 percent and Jews 2 percent of the people in the tiny republic.

Like 13 of the other 14 Soviet republics, Moldavia has declared its sovereignty and is insisting on being called by its Romanian name of ''Moldova.''

But Moldavia, just as the other republics, has been hit with a boomeranging nationalism by minority groups threatened by the radical policies of republican leaders.

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(NOV. 21) UPI - Stations: The world-10th-Briefs is canceled because of computer problems. We will resume the report immediately with the World-11th-Briefs.

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WARSAW (NOV. 21) UPI - Outgoing President Wojciech Jaruzelski said Wednesday he believes history will acknowledge his contribution to Poland's emerging democracy, but acknowledged that he probably won't be alive to enjoy it.

At a farewell reception for reporters in Belwedere Palace, the communist general who ordered martial law in 1981 to crush Solidarity - which now leads the government - said he will eventually write his memoirs describing the reasons for his decision.

''I don't regret the decision on the introduciton of martial law. I regret that the situation made it unavoidable,'' he said, apparently referring to the Soviet threat to invade unless Solidarity was put under control.

The normally ramrod-straight Jaruzelski, who is resigning only a year into his six-year term because of the changing political climate, chatted easily with Western reporters.

Asked how he believes his leadership will be assessed in the years to come, the president said, ''I think now probably the negative (emotions) prevail. But with time, the further we are from these moments, the more objective the picture will be,'' he said. ''I believe history will acknowledge this.

''By that time I will surely be in Powazki (Cemetery) or somewhere else, so it will not be much of a personal satisfaction,'' he added. ''But what counts is the historical truth.''

Jaruzelski, 67, whose career began when he joined the Polish Army in the Soviet Union in 1943, was named head of Poland's Communist Party in October 1981 while serving simultaneously as chairman of the Council of Ministers. Three months later, with the country rocked by strikes led by the newly legalized independent union, he declared martial law.

He became head of state in 1985 as Poland was moving toward ''normalization'' after martial law.

After another series of disruptive Solidarity strikes in 1988 and 1989, Jaruzelski persuaded the Communist Party to offer independent groups a share of power. The result was the historic round-table agreement that allowed supporters of the re-legalized Solidarity to run for certain seats in the June 1989 parliamentary elections.

Solidarity's victory was so overwhelming that the Communists were unable to form a new government, and Solidarity was thrust into the leadership.

''We have all sinnned. We were all less clever than we are today,'' Jaruzelski said, reflecting on the past decade. ''I have already said we have gone through purgatory in order not to find ourselves in hell.''

Despite his leading role in setting up the groundwork for bringing democracy to Poland, most Poles remember him with bitterness as the man who declared war on his own country.

When, as part of the round-table pact, he was elected by the Parliament as president, he scraped in by a single vote - and only after intense debate during which a few Solidarity deputies changed their votes to support him.

Asked the most unpleasant moment of his presidency, Jaruzelski cited that election. ''I regretted that I did not follow it more closely,'' he said. ''Maybe I would not have accepted the post.''

The presidential election to replace him is Nov. 25, but if none of the six candidates draws 50 percent of the vote, a runoff will be held two weeks later.

The new president is expected be sworn in after a meeting of the Sejm, Poland's parliament, probably around Christmas. The leading candidates are Solidarity founder Lech Walesa and Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, although a Canadian businessman, Stanislaw Tyminski, has slipped in front of Mazowiecki in the latest opinion polls.

Jaruzelski said he had two sets of feelings on stepping down, one of them relief ''that the yoke I have been carrying will be taken off my shoulders.''

''The other sensation is the expectation - I don't want to say anxiety - of how will the situation in Poland develop (and) to what extent we will be able to overcome our difficulties?''

And asked how he will spend his first day free from any duty, the outgoing president said, ''I hadn't thought about it. But I think I will sit in my armchair in my slippers and watch on TV the reactions of our society to the choice of a new president.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Chase Manhattan Bank said Wednesday it sold its portfolio of residential mortgages in the United Kingdom to Household Mortgage Corp.

The sale of the portfolio, valued at approximately $400 million, was

undertaken as "part of Chase's worldwide business review that was first announced in June," said James W. Zeigon, senior vice president and international individual banking executive.

As a result of the review, Chase concluded that the U.K. residential mortgage business was not strategically important for the corporation," he said. Chase is seeking to cut annual expenses by $300 million.

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BEIRUT, Lebanon (NOV. 21) UPI - Lebanese President Elias Hrawi vowed Wednesday that a militia-free Beirut will be established, despite reported last-minute hitches to reunify the city.

Hrawi made the pledge on the eve of Lebanon's Independence Day.

''Greater Beirut is designed to stop the war. It will be established as long as Lebanese keep faith in this project,'' Hrawi said in a nationally televised speech.

''No one will be able to obstruct this plan (greater Beirut). This is the stage of great achievements,'' Hrawi said.

Hrawi's statement came amid reports that a militia leader was opposing a plan to deploy army troops in all Beirut areas.

Christian political sources said Samir Geagea's Lebanese Forces militia was hesitant to allow troops loyal to the army commander, Gen. Emile Lahoud, to take over Asharafiyeh, the militia's main stronghold in east Beirut, and nearby areas.

The sources said Geagea expressed dismay at Hrawi's leadership at the active presence of rival Syrian-backed militiamen in other parts of east Beirut.

The Voice of Free Lebanon, operated by the LF, reported Wednesday that a Christian citizen believed to be a supporter of Geagea was kidnapped by Syrian-backed Christian gunmen.

Geagea in a televised interview Tuesday vowed not to facilitate the government plan as long as rival gunmen remained at large in east Beirut, and noted recent abductions of his followers.

But in a statement broadcast on local radio stations Wednesday, Geagea was quoted as saying he agreed with the authorities ''on all the details'' regarding the establishment of a militia-free Beirut.

Geagea's new stance came after he met Ghazi Kenaan, the chief of Syria's

intelligence in Lebanon, late Tuesday in the district of Kesrwan, north of Beirut, the hotbed of Geagea's gunmen.

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(NOV. 21) UPI - The leaders of 34 nations today signed a sweeping new blueprint that cements a new age of East-West harmony after four decades of Cold War tension. The heads of state signed the Charter of Paris at the end of a landmark three-day European summit in Paris.

President Bush left Paris this morning aboard Air Force One on his way to the Middle East. Bush is to hold talks later today with the exiled emir of Kuwait and Saudi King Fahd in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, before spending Thanksgiving with U-S troops in the region.

45 members of Congress want to prevent President Bush from committing U-S troops to a Persian Gulf war without congressional approval. The lawmakers filed suit in federal court in Washington yesterday to enforce the war powers clause of the Constitution which grants Congress the power to declare war.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater calls the lawsuit ''unnecessary.'' He says the administration wouldn't comment on the legal aspects of the congressmen seeking suit, but notes Bush's commitment to working with the Congress ''to keep them completely informed.''

Soviet President Gorbachev says Iraq's ''aggression canNOT go unpunished.'' In a live interview with French television, the Soviet leader also affirmed that there''s ''NO divergence'' with the United States over the Persian Gulf crisis.

Meanwhile, Iraq is drawing U-S criticism over it's announcement to free all Germans held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait. The White House responded to the announcement by accusing Iraq of building ''a cottage industry of political ploys'' to split the alliance and said ''it's NOT going to work.''

Both British Prime Minister Thatcher and her challenger Michael Heseltine say they'll fight the final round of a leadership battle. Heseltine failed to oust Thatcher outright as head of the Conservative Party yesterday, but mustered enought votes to force a second ballot.

Fallen junk bond king Michael Milken goes to court today in Manhattan, New York, to face sentencing on securities and tax violations. He could get up to 28 years for his crimes. Milken earned a fortune peddling the junk bonds that fueled the 1980's takeover mania.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) UPI - At the outset of the Senate ethics committee's hearings into influence-peddling by five senators, the battle lines seemed clear: the accused lawmakers vs. the panel's special counsel and incriminating witnesses.

The opening four days of hearings before the panel revealed that the sides are not so neatly drawn in this political drama and set the stage for further bitter in-fighting between at least two of the so-called Keating Five, Arizona's two senators: Democrat Dennis DeConcini and Republican John McCain.

The trial-like hearings resume Monday with special counsel Robert Bennett expects to call Edwin Gray, the former chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board.

Four of the five senators met with Gray on April 2, 1987, in one of the sessions that supports Bennett's case that the lawmakers applied improper pressure upon bank regulators at the behest of savings and loan operator Charles Keating Jr., who contributed $1.3 million to the senators. All five senators deny any wrongdoing, saying their actions were legitimate and proper help for an important businessman and constituent.

Keating faces racketeering charges in California on a criminal fraud indictment related to the 1989 failure of his Irvine, Calif., Lincoln Savings and Loan, which will cost taxpayers some $2 billion.

The parent company of Lincoln, American Continental Corp., located in Arizona, employed some 2,000 people, had about $1 billion invested in the home state of DeConcini and McCain, and was one of Arizona's leading home builders.

The first shots in the DeConcini-McCain feud have already been fired. DeConcini, in his lengthy and angry opening statement to the committee, suggested McCain was accorded preferential treatment by Bennett because McCain is the lone Republican among the Keating Five.

Meanwhile, McCain aides, in testimony, questioned the truth of statements made to the committee by DeConcini's staff and suggested DeConcini had tried to "coax" McCain into the actions on behalf of Keating to make the effort appear bipartisan. "You have a difference of opinion here by two senators," DeConcini said. The two sides are even in dispute over who Keating called a "wimp."

McCain aides claim Keating called their boss a wimp during a March 19, 1987, meeting with DeConcini for McCain's refusal to follow the S&L owner's orders to negotiate with bank regulators for more favorable treatment for Lincoln, then repeated the "wimp" comment in other Capitol Hill offices. In depositions given to Bennett, DeConcini's aides say Keating not only called McCain a wimp, but also called their boss a wimp.

Chris Koch, McCain's top assistant, acknowledged that bickering over who was

called a wimp "sounds like a bunch of school-yard kids," but said the comment "showed an unwillingness by John to do something Charlie (Keating) wanted."

McCain, who had been the only one of the Keating Five to have a genuine friendship with Keating, had a heated falling out with Keating over the wimp remark, effectively ending their relationship, McCain's side says.

DeConcini's lawyer tried to etablish that damaging memos about DeConcini were leaked to the news media by McCain's office, but Koch and another McCain aide testified they had no knowledge that McCain's office had leaked the material. Later, McCain told reporters, "I have the impression that Senator DeConcini's problem is with the evidence more than leaks."

DeConcini accused special counsel Bennett of giving McCain and his staff a "pretty cozy" deal, with an informal interview before formal sworn depositions were taken, a courtesy afforded none of the four Democrats: DeConcini and Sens. Alan Cranston of California, John Glenn of Ohio, and Donald Riegle of Michigan. He also said Bennett did not ask McCain several damaging questions, while not sidestepping any controversial issues with the four Democrats.

In addition, McCain's lawyer called a letter relating to a meeting with the regulators sent by DeConcini "a phony," with DeConcini retorting, "To call me a phony by calling that letter a phony ... I think is a bit strong." DeConcini said, however, he has "no animosity" toward McCain, adding, "I think he should be exonerated. ... I don't think he did anything wrong."

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BUENOS AIRES (NOV. 21) UPI - Argentine President Carlos Menem said Wednesday his administration would hand over ownership of the state airline Aerolineas Argentinas later in the day to a consortium led by the Spanish carrier Iberia.

Menem told a local radio station early Wednesday that the transfer papers would be signed tonight at a ceremony scheduled for 7 p.m. EST. The transfer was originally scheduled for September, but was delayed several times by contract deliberations.

The sale is touted by government officials as a major element in President Menem's privatization plan, though both Aerolineas and the former state telephone company Entel were sold to consortiums that included government-owned entities.

The plan allows the Argentine government to swap ownership of money-losing companies in exchange for cash and external debt paper bought on the New York secondary market. In the Entel and Aerolineas sales alone, Argentina reduced its debt of $67 billion by more than $7 billion.

But hammering out the final points of the airline deal dragged as negotiators haggled over "serious difficulties" with the financial guarantees the Iberia-led consortium provided for future cash payments, banking sources said.

The banking sources, who asked not to be named, told United Press International that Iberia had offered bank guarantees for the $130 million that it will dole out in ten bi-annual payments, with a five-year grace period.

Economy Minister Erman Gonzalez said that "until the external debt paper is handed over, the guarantee will constitute the retention of the stock package" by the Argentine government."

According to the banking sources, Iberia also raised its participation in the new consortium from 20 to 30 percent of the stock so that it could control the presidency of the new company.

In addition to the long-term payments, the Iberia group will be obliged to hand over $2.01 billion in Argentine external debt paper and a lump cash payment of $130 million.

The paper was selling for 17 cents on the New York secondary market Monday and according to banking sources, the cash payment was readied for the transfer.

The spokesman for the Buenos Aires Banco de la Provincia, Marcelo Bonin, told UPI his bank had agreed to give a guarantee to the Argentine government for a portion of the long-term payments if Iberia gave the bank its guarantees from other financial institutions.

But Bonin said he could not confirm exactly what percentage between 20 and 33 percent that Iberia would hold in the new consortium. "When the negotiations begin, everything changes," he said.

Before negotiations last weekend, Iberia was to control 20 percent of the stock in the new company; followed by Argentine businessman Luis Zanon with 18 percent; local air carrier Austral with 12 percent; other private local investors with 35 percent and company employees with ten percent. The Argentine government was to retain five percent of the stock of the new company and the right to veto its board of directors.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages fell to 9.93 percent from 10.02 percent while adjustable-rate notes dipped to 8.08 percent from 8.11 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Wednesday.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (NOV. 21) UPI - The shuttle Atlantis sailed through its five-day flight in excellent condition, officials said Wednesday, setting the stage for the shuttle Columbia's launch Dec. 2 on an astronomy mission delayed six months by fuel leaks.

''Columbia looks real good,'' said shuttle operations director James Harrington. ''The payload is in good shape.''

Atlantis and its five-man crew, diverted from a California landing two days in a row because of dangerous crosswinds, glided to a surprise Florida touchdown Tuesday to close out a presumably successful mission to launch a top-secret military satellite.

''You could have lighted up a Christmas tree with all the smiles from the troops around here,'' Harrington said of the first Florida shuttle touchdown in 5 1/2 years. ''It was really a big day for us to have Atlantis come home this way.''

Harrington said the $2 billion orbiter came through its ground- shaking launch and fiery re-entry in excellent condition with no major anomalies that would delay its next flight in early April.

''The vehicle looks excellent,'' he said. ''It's probably one of the cleanest birds I've ever seen come back after a mission. We had very little tile damage. We had a good clean mission and a good clean landing.''

A preliminary inspection indicates only three heat-shield tiles will have to be replaced and the ship's tires and brakes appear to have come through landing on the Kennedy Space Center's 3-mile-long runway in good condition.

Atlantis's landing was the first shuttle touchdown in Florida since April 19, 1985, when the shuttle Discovery blew a landing gear tire after a brake locked up during landing in a stiff crosswind.

Harrington said Atlantis's beryllium brakes showed no obvious signs of damage, but space shuttles will not be cleared for routine Florida landings until a variety of shuttle tests are completed at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., and until tougher carbon brakes are declared operational.

Engineers at launch pad 39A, meanwhile, are on schedule to launch Columbia around Dec. 2 on a 10-day astronomy mission that has been delayed since May 30 by a series of elusive hydrogen fuel leaks.

An official launch date will be set next Tuesday after a one-day flight readiness review, but if all goes well, Columbia's countdown will begin next Wednesday at midnight EST for a launch attempt at 1:24 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 2.

On board will be commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 47.

The goal of the flight is to study high-energy stars, galaxies, quasars, black hole candidates and other targets with three telescopes sensitive to ultraviolet light and one sensitive to X-rays.

The astronauts originally were scheduled for takeoff May 30, but the flight was called off the night before after sensors detected explosive hydrogen gas spewing into the ship's engine room.

A separate leak grounded the ship twice in September, but engineers believe they have fixed the problems once and for all, setting the stage for launch next month.

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(NOV. 21) UPI - President Bush has arrived in Saudi Arabia to spend Thanksgiving Day with American troops and to meet with key leaders in the alliance against Iraq's Saddam Hussein.

In an announcement timed to co-incide with Bush's dramatic evening arrival in Saudi Arabia, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater confirmed that Bush will meet Friday with Syria's President Hafez Assad. Syria long has been a U-S rival but has become an ally in the gulf standoff.

Before leaving Paris for the Middle East, Bush told reporters that- IN HIS WORDS- ''We have a lot to be thankful for.'' Bush says he plans to tell the troops that they are NOT on ''mission impossible'' and that they will prevail.

Authorites in Washington, D-C, are giving the all-clear for tenants of a 12-story office tower evacuated on Monday because of a cave-in at a neighboring construction site. The building houses the world headquarters of United Presss International, which shifted its newspaper editorial operations to suburban Virginia. The broadcast wire operations in Chicago was NOT affected, although the U-P-I Radio Network did shift its operations between New York and Los Angeles.

Parents of students at the Pulaski Acadamy public grade school in Chicago are upset by a mysterious note left at their homes. The note calls for unspecified action against a student who has the AIDS virus. The handwritten, unsigned and photocopied note advises parents to take their children out of the school. A panel of the Chicago school board has reviewed the case and reports the AIDS-affected child poses NO significant risk to other students.

Freedom of expression still is NOT allowed in China. The world's most populous

nation has imposed sweeping restructions on NON-official posters or slogans appearing in its cities. The 11-point regulation is just the latest restriction placed on Chinese by a government that has severely trimmed constitutionally guaranteed rights of free expression during the past 18 months.

A lawyer for Chuck Berry says the father of rock 'n' roll has been put on two years' probation for misdemeanor possession of marijuana... but that child abuses charges aginst the legendary musician have been dropped. A judge in St. Charles, Missouri, threw out accusations that the 64-year-old Berry had filmed people under the age of 17 for the purposes of sexual gratification. Berry still faces civil lawsuits filed by at least one former employee and by more than 200 women in a class- action suit who say Berry videotaped them while they used restrooms at businesses he owned.

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#90325u0561 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 21) UPI - President Bush and first lady Barbara stepped off Air Force one in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia today, in time for a late meeting with King Fahd. Their arrival came just minutes after the White House confirmed that Bush plans to meet with Syria's president the day after tomorrow to discuss the Persian Gulf standoff. Bush says he intends to tell American troops in the Saudi desert on Thanksgiving Day that their mission is NOT in vain. And the president will join the military personnel for a meal of turkey with all the trimmings.

Junk bond king Michael Milken received a 10-year jail sentence in a New York federal courtroom today. The decision ends a major chapter in the financial history of the go-go '80's. The 44-year-old financier almost single-handedly created the high-yield- but high-risk- bonds that fueled the debt-ladened takeovers that changed the face of more than one company. But things went sour late in the decade. Milken pleaded guilty to five counts of illegal securities trading and it is on those charges that he has been sentenced. He also must pay more than 650-Million dollars in fines and penalties.

The firm Milken worked for, Drexel Burham Lambert, paid him handsomely for the business he brought in. His salary and bonuses totaled more than one-point-one-BILLION dollars from 1983 to 1987, half of it coming during just one year. He was friendly with other powers of the decade, including now-disgraced financier Ivan Boesky, and Drexel became the major player in the junk bond industry. But Drexel fled to Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection when everything came apart and Boesky and Milken eventually had to stand before a judge.

Authorities in Thailand now say they've recovered 37 bodies in the aftermath of a plane crash that occurred during a rainstorm. The 37-seat Dash-8 went down into a forest about six miles short of the intended airport... scattering

wreckage. A manifest showed 33 passengers aboard, including one infant. Airline sources said four or five crew members are believed to have been aboard. The plane was taking a number of foreigners to a beach resort.

Officials of U-S Air are trying to find out exactly what happened when the airline shippped the caskets of two women to the wrong funeral homes. The body of Myrtle Fuller arrived in Erie, Pennsylvania, instead of Durham, North Carolina, while that of Gloria Bennet was in Durham instead of Erie. Airline officials say the bodies should be in the correct cities later today.

Hiker Bill Irwin has walked his last mile in northern Maine to end an eight-month journey across all two-thousand miles of the Appalachian Trail. The North Carolina resident began his trek in Georgia last spring and is ending it just as winter prepares to set in for its long stay. All of this would normally be just another story... except for the fact that Irwin is blind. His only companion was Orient, a black and tan German shepherd guidedog.

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TALLAHASSEE, FL (NOV. 21) UPI - Florida is reopening trade offices in Japan and Korea closed last year during a major retrenchment of the state's overseas marketing program, Commerce Secretary Bill Sutton announced Wednesday.

The move coincides with the opening of a Tampa office by the Japan External Trade Organization, or JETRO, a non-profit outfit established by the Japanese government to help U.S. companies market their goods and services in Japan.

Japan is Florida's largest overseas trading partner, but there is a huge imbalance in the relationship. Sutton said Florida sells goods worth some $300 million in Japan each year, while $3.7 billion in Japanese products enter Florida.

"You can see the scales of justice are not exactly equal," Sutton said in a news conference. "Now that some of the trade barriers are lifted, we know that those figures are going to get much closer. But it will take some time to do it."

Gov. Bob Martinez has been criticized by some business leaders for his handling of trade issues. Top Japanese industrial leaders were reportedly insulted last month when Martinez did not attend the annual meeting of the Southeastern U.S.-Japan Association in Atlanta.

Although Sutton attended on Martinez' behalf, he conceded, "I'm sure they'd have rather had the head coach." Last year, the state closed Florida trade offices in Toyko and Seoul, and scaled back to two employees each in the London and Toronto offices and to one in Frankfurt.

It was a cost-cutting move by the Legislature, according to Sutton, but one not seen in business circles as terribly wise. "We've got to have a continued presence over there. Now we've got to make up for lost time," Sutton said. Now the offices are being restored to full strength, while new offices are being opened in Sao Paolo, Brazil, and Brussels, Sutton said.

JETRO is part of the Japanese government's effort to equalize the trade imbalance with the United States by boosting imports of U.S. goods. It offers merchandizing advice and organizes buying missions to promote foreign goods. Florida has traditionally exported agricultural products including citrus, phosphate and seafood to Asian markets, state officials said..

Yasumasa Iwasaki, senior trade adviser for JETRO In Atlanta, said Florida might also market medical technology and kitchen appliances such as dishwashers and food processors in Japan.

Additionally, Florida's sporting-goods industries might find a niche in Japan, where the government is encouraging citizens to spend less time at work and more at play, said Takashi Tanji, JETRO's Florida representative. "Yachts, boats, also golfing," said Tanji. "We are trying to reduce the number of labor hours."

Florida might also serve as a conduit for Japanese businesspeople headed for Latin America, said Sutton. Florida hosts 92,000 Japanese annually. Approval was recently granted for non-stop airline service between Orlando and Tokyo, while Miami already offers daily service to Brazil, home to a large Japanese community. Jacksonville is port of entry for a large number of Japanese small trucks and cars.

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#90325u0610 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 21) UPI - President Bush is on his way to Saudi Arabia. Bush told a hastily called news conference before leaving Paris that he's prepared to tell U-S military troops stationed in the Persian Gulf that ''we are going to prevail.'' Bush rejected reports that his relations with Soviet President Gorbachev were chilly, insisting they've never been better.

Soviet President Gorbachev is calling for the U-N Security Council to meet ''without delay'' on the Persian Gulf crisis. The Soviet leader says the U-N needs to discuss the crisis and make a decision. But he gave NO details on what action should be taken. He added, however, ''We have to be resolute and firm.''

A new security has been created for Europe after four decades of Cold War tension. The leaders of 34 nations today adopted a sweeping document, the Charter of Paris, that cements a new age of East-West harmony... ending what they called ''the era of confrontation and division of Europe.''

A judge in Manhattan, New York, this morning will decide the fate of fallen junk bond king Michael Milken. He could get up to 28 years in prison when he's sentenced on securities and tax violations. The 44- year-old Milken pleaded guilty to the charges last April and agreed to pay some 600-Million dollars in fines.

The European space consortium is hailing another successful launch by an Arianefoot rocket boosted a pair of American communications satellites into orbit in the 40th flight of the French-built rocket system. The Ariane flashed to life late yesterday from its jungle launch complex on the northern coast of South America.

Scientists say people who suffer from mental disorders ranging from anxiety to depression are more likely to abuse alcohol or other drugs. Dr. Darrel Regier of the National Institute of Mental Health in Bethesda, Maryland, says the finding is evidence that mental disorders must be addressed as part of prevention efforts for substance abuse.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 21) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	79.20	79.35	79.13	79.15	79.13
Feb	76.00	76.15	75.75	76.00	75.85
Apr	76.00	76.13	75.75	75.80	75.85
Jun	73.90	74.00	73.65	73.72	73.80
Aug	72.25	72.40	72.13	72.13	72.18
Oct	72.28	72.45	72.25	72.25	72.22
Dec	73.10	73.10	73.10	72.90	73.05

Est. sales 10,505 contracts; Tuesday 15,499; open interest: 72,039 up 1,506.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	87.60	87.95	87.55	87.78	87.60
Mar	85.25	85.47	85.22	85.30	85.22
Apr	84.15	84.40	84.13	84.15	84.15
May	83.20	83.35	83.20	83.32	83.30
Aug	82.30	82.50	82.30	82.38	82.38
Sep	81.75	81.75	81.75	81.75	81.75
Oct	81.50	81.50	81.50	81.50	81.45

Est. sales 611 contracts; Tuesday 858; open interest: 8,293 up 67.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	53.20	53.75	53.15	53.65	53.10
Feb	51.40	51.80	51.30	51.72	51.22
Apr	48.55	48.75	48.35	48.63	48.50

Jun 52.55 52.75 52.40 52.65 52.47
Jul 52.60 52.80 52.50 52.95 52.75
Aug 51.15 50.88
Oct 45.80 45.80
Dec .... 45.80 45.80 Est. sales 6,240 contracts; Tuesday 9,753; open interest: 28,651 off 877.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 70.05 71.90 69.70 71.65 70.20
Mar 69.70 71.60 69.60 71.45 70.00
May 70.15 71.80 70.00 71.72 70.55
Jul 70.45 70.90 69.50 70.70 69.70
Aug 68.00 68.80 67.60 68.30 66.90 Est. sales 4,433 contracts; Tuesday 3,576; open interest: 12,092 off 532.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 130.22 up 78 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 130.45 up 47 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.90 down 38 cents, 700-850 lbs. 119.73 down 2 cents.

Pork carlot trading heavy to moderate; demand moderate; fresh pork loins steady; Boston butts not tested; skinned hams weak; seedless bellies steady; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 94.00-104.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 90.00, 20-26 lbs.70.00-80.00, 26-32 lbs. 74.00, 32 lbs. and up 74.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 59.50, 12-14 lbs. 61.50, 14-16 lbs. 59.75-61.50, 16-18 lbs. 56.00-58.50, 18-20 lbs.53.50-54.00, 20-25 lbs. 48.50-50.50.

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GUATEMALA CITY (NOV. 21) UPI - The government announced Wednesday a price increase for all oil-based products, including gasoline, to compensate for higher crude prices on international markets. Energy and Mines Minister Raul Castaneda said the amount of the increase had not yet been decided.

"The state cannot continue subsidizing the oil bill," Castaneda said. Guatemala spends some $200 million a year on imported petroleum. "It's an unfortunate and difficult decision to make because we are aware of the negative impact on the population, but we have to readjust prices to guarantee the country's oil supply," Castaneda said.

The increase in oil and gasoline prices is the second in the last three months. On Sept. 5, leaded gasoline rose 40 cents to $1.35 a gallon. Diesel, which costs 60 cents a gallon, was not increased because of government fears of inflationary effects on transport. Casteneda said the government also plans to increase the price of electricity.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Middle East oil producers will realize a windfall of about $44 billion in extra revenue this year from the rise in oil prices during the Persian Gulf crisis, an industry newsletter reported Wednesday.

OPEC Listener, an authoritative monitor of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, said an "analysis shows OPEC countries will enjoy about a $44 billion windfall in estimated full-year 1990 oil income over 1989."

As a result of oil prices doubling since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, the New York-based publication estimated 1990 oil revenues of the OPEC nations at approximately $148 billion. It estimated Saudi Arabia's revenues will rise $16 billion, or 68 percent, over 1989 to nearly $40 billion for 1990.

In late October, the governor of the United Arab Emirates' central bank estimated OPEC's Persian Gulf producers were spending at an annual rate of $18 billion to support the U.S.-led multinational force assembled in Saudi Arabia and other nations in the Gulf region to deter further Iraqi aggression.

Abdul Malik al-Hamar, the UAE governor, also was reported as saying the oil income of the nations making up the Gulf Cooperation Council would rise 43 percent to $60 billion in 1990. The GCC consists of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the UAE, Qatar, Bahrain and Oman. All except Bahrain and Oman also belong to the OPEC cartel.

The Pentagon in Washington has said that the Gulf nations, primarily Saudi Arabia, Kuwaiti government in exile and the UAE have committed $6 billion to support the multinational force through the end of 1990.

Japan had committed $2 billion in support through March, Germany had promised $1.05 billion to defray 1990 expenses of the multinational force and Korea has pledged $95 million, a Pentagon spokesman said.

U.S. government officials said the GCC nations have pledged another $6 billion to help nations such as Egypt, Jordan and Turkey, which are suffering economically from the U.N. embargo of Kuwait and Iraq imposed in the wake of the invasion.

Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., recently said the decision to send additional U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia will nearly double the cost of maintaining the U.S. force in the Middle East to $30 billion in the current fiscal year.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 21) UPI - Soybeans were strongly higher and wheat was somewhat higher at the close Wednesday at the Chicago Board of Trade. But corn and oats closed lower.

Short covering in advance of the Thanksgiving holiday was a feature in grains and beans as country movement of crops slowed further. Ideas that the market was oversold had helped prices rebound from Tuesday.

A lower-than-expected census oil stocks report buoyed the entire soy complex, with aggressive professional buying helping bean prices. Also helping was an idea that Germany and Canada agreeing to farm credits for the USSR puts pressure on the U.S. to do the same. Add to that reports that the U.S. and Soviet leaders are moving closer in philosophy on dealing with Iraq.

Sympathy gains in corn were limited by light commercial and fund selling, with a late round of commercial selling carrying December to new lows.

Professional buying also aided wheat prices recover from contract lows on Tuesday.

At the close corn was unchanged to off 1 1/2, wheat was up 3 3/4 to 5 3/4, beans were up 1 1/2 to 9 and oats were off 1 to up 1.

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#90325u0653 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
BONN, Germany (NOV. 21) UPI - Nearly two months after the two Germanys became one, the two soccer federations followed suit Wednesday, ending 45 years of division.

The soccer merger was unanimously approved by 171 delegates at a special meeting in an opera house in Leipzig, site of the founding of the German Soccer Association (DFB) in 1900.

In the wake of Oct. 3 German unification, the soccer amalgamation was made possible Tuesday when the former East German Soccer Association (DFV) disbanded and formed the North Eastern Soccer Association (NOFV).

Hans-Georg Moldenhauer, former DFV president and the first NOFV president, was elected to the DFB's board of directors. The number of delegates was increased to 209.

Top soccer representatives from around the world attended the event, including Joao Havelange, president of FIFA, soccer's governing body, and Joseph Blatter FIFA's secretary-general .

East German soccer will be mostly remembered for the national team's 1-0

victory over West Germany in Hamburg at the 1974 World Cup..

''DFB has made soccer history worldwide and will strengthen its position as a leading association,'' Havelange said.

DFB is the world's largest national single sports organization with 5,256,631 members organized in 26,760 clubs after the inclusion of almost 420,000 eastern members.

The festivities surrounding the merger was overshadowed by last week's cancellation of the game between World Cup winner West Germany and the national team of former East Germany. Security could not be guaranteed after recent clashes involving fans and police.

In place of the game, an all-German team will play Switzerland Dec. 19 in Stuttgart. National coach Berti Vogts said five or six former East Germans will be on the roster.

An all-German professional league begins next season when the champion and runner-up of eastern Germany's first division automatically joins the western counterpart, the Bundesliga. The teams ranked third to eighth in the final standings will be included in western Germany's second division.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Gold futures closed Wednesday 110 points lower to 130 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	378.90	....	....	378.90	377.60
Dec	378.20	381.50	376.70	378.80	378.50
Jan	381.60	....	....	381.60	380.40
Feb	381.20	384.50	379.90	382.90	381.70
Apr	384.20	387.70	383.50	386.00	385.00
Jun	388.50	391.00	386.90	389.30	388.60
Aug	392.30	392.40	392.30	392.40	391.90
Oct	395.70	....	....	395.70	395.30
Dec	398.30	....	....	399.00	398.80
Feb	402.50	....	....	402.50	402.70
Apr	405.90	....	....	405.90	406.40
Jun	409.60	....	....	409.60	410.40
Aug	413.60	....	....	413.60	414.70

Open interest: 111,295 up 729.

Estimated sales: 35,000 contracts.

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JEDDAH, Saudi Arabia (NOV. 21) UPI - President Bush, arriving in Saudi Arabi to spend Thanksgiving Day with American troops, sent a blunt message to Iraq's Saddam Hussein Wednesday: ''Withdraw unconditionally from Kuwait right now'' or face more action soon from the United Nations.

Arriving in the Saudi city bordering the Red Sea, Bush was greeted with royal fanfare by Saudi Arabian King Fahd and quickly began the first of a series of critical meetings with Middle Eastern leaders, which will include a surprise session Friday with Syria's President Hafez Al-Assad.

Under clear skies and a bright crescent moon, which is the symbol on the Saudi flag, Bush met first at the spectacular al-Hambra Palace with the exiled emir of Kuwait, Sheik Jabir al-Alhmad al-Jabir al-Sabah.

At a news conference afterward, Bush declared: ''The window of opportunity for Saddam Hussein is right now. And he should withdraw unconditionally from Kuwait right now.

''... The pressure is increasing on Saddam Hussein and if he doesn't understand it now, he will soon,'' Bush warned.

Standing next to the ousted emir, the president also said he came away from the meeting ''more committed than ever'' to the stand against Saddam and predicted further U.N. action, possibly in the form of a resolution allowing the use of force against the Iraqi, would soon be forthcoming.

''I feel that we should take action before Nov. 30. I think we should take action right away in the United Nations for more resolutions - stay tuned,'' he told reporters.

And though refusing to discuss specifics of a new move, contending consultations were continuing and would so for the next several days, Bush noted U.S. efforts to win support for a resolution of force and said, ''I would expect that there would be yet another resolution strongly against Saddam Hussein.''

Bush said the emir, who he last met with in Washington, had shown him more pictures ''of the treatment of Kuwaitis so cruel and so brutal that it just turns your stomach.''

''It is a moving and touching and horrible story,'' Bush said. ''And I come away from this conversation more committed than ever to seeing this cruel occupation come to an end and those responsible for this violence called to account.''

Bush's remarks before heading to a formal dinner with Fahd preceded an

announcement by White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater that the president also would meet Friday with Assad, a longtime U.S. rival but current ally in the Persian Gulf standoff.

Syria also is believed to have some indirect influence over some of the hostage-takers in Lebanon but Fitzwater said the main purpose of the two hours of talks in Geneva Friday, arranged at the behest of Mideast allies including Egypt and Turkey, will be to discuss the situation in the gulf.

Syria, which remains on the U.S. list of countries that sponsor international terrorism, has long been a bitter rival of Iraq and has sent troops and tanks to Saudi Arabia to join the anti-Saddam coalition spearheaded by the United States.

Bush defended his meeting with Assad because of his role as ''a coalition partner. ... I have no problem sitting down with him for this common objective '' he said.

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#90325u0692 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - A federal court judge Wednesday handed former 1980s financial wizard Michael Milken a surprisingly tough ten-year prison sentence, telling him she was not punishing him for "a decade of greed" but meting out a fair penalty for his confessed crimes.

U.S. District Court Judge Kimba Wood sentenced Milken to two years each on five counts of securities and tax law violations, plus three years' probation on a conspiracy charge. The longest sentence she could have given Milken, who pleaded to six felony counts in April, was 28 years in prison. Milken, 44, wiped away tears during a statement by his attorney, Arthur Liman, but listened stonyfaced as Wood pronounced sentence.

Liman, whose impassioned statement described Milken as a brilliant financial innovator whose business dealings had a "messianic quality," a devoted husband and father, a generous philanthropist and a longtime volunteer in the cause of distressed children, was visibly chagrined at the outcome.

During each probationary year, Wood said, Milken must perform 1,800 hours of unspecified, full-time community service. She said the jail sentence could be reduced if Milken cooperated fully with federal investigators. Under standard judicial practice, Milken should be eligible for parole after serving one-third of his jail term with good behavior.

Milken must surrender March 4 to begin serving his sentence. It was unclear, given that Milken pleaded guilty to the charges, whether his lawyers would have any technical leeway to appeal the sentence.

Wood said she sentenced Milken not to satisfy an angry public demanding "a verdict on the decade of greed," but to address a "legitimate public concern that everyone, no matter how rich or powerful, respect the law."

"When a man of your power in the financial world ... repeatedly conspires to violate, and violates, securities and tax laws to achieve more power and wealth for himself and his clients," Wood said before pronouncing sentence, "a significant prison sentence is required."

When she handed up the ten-year jail term, which was about twice the length of what most observers expected, there was a hushed gasp from the more than 200 people packing the fifth-floor courtroom. It was the longest term received by any Wall Street criminal in the crackdown on 1980s abuses.

By comparison, speculator Ivan Boesky received a three-year term for his 1987 conviction on one charge of filing a false document with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Dennis Levine, convicted of inside trading in another prominent case, received just two years in prison.

Milken's sentencing not only concluded his own case, which authorities began assembling in 1986 when arbitrageur Boesky agreed to cooperate with a probe of Milken's activities, but also seemed to close out the 1980s era of debt-fueled enrichment schemes in which he played a central role.

Milken, who wore a somber grey suit and a maroon tie, addressed the court briefly. "What I did violated not just the law but all of my principles and values," he told Wood. "I deeply regret it, I will for the rest of my life, and I am truly sorry." He and his wife Lori, accompanied by his brother Lowell and other friends and supporters, later slipped out through the judge's chambers.

"Judge Wood has crafted a sentence that is both fair and appropriate to the circumstances," U.S. Attorney General Dick Thornburgh said Washington. "The balance sheet now reflects not only $600 million in penalties, for which Milken is personally responsible, but a bottomline of ten years behind the bars of a federal prison as well."

The five securities violations to which Milken pleaded guilty April 20 carried a maximum sentence of five years, while the one tax count carried a top penalty of three years. Prosecutors asked for "a substantial term of incarceration."

Milken agreed to pay $600 million in fines and restitution in a plea bargain with the Justice Department that allowed him to avoid trial on racketeering charges in a March 1989 indictment on 98 counts.

Milken virtually invented junk bonds and touted them as a way for companies without access to traditional credit markets to grow. His firm, Drexel Burnham

Lambert Inc., dominated the explosive 1980s junk bond market.

In December 1988 Drexel reached an agreement with the U.S. Attorney's office in the Southern District to plead guilty to charges of insider trading, stock manipulation and other violations. The $650 million in penalties and fines it paid helped push Drexel into bankruptcy earlier this year.

Wood effectively dismissed the main arguments put forward by Milken's defense lawyers - that he had merely been overzealous on behalf of clients and that he was mostly guilty of technical securities violations.

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(NOV. 21) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

Wheat - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	2.46 1/2	2.49 1/4	2.44 1/2	2.49	2.45 1/4
Mar	2.61	2.65 1/2	2.59	2.65	2.60 1/4
May	2.68 1/2	2.74 3/4	2.68	2.74 1/4	2.68 1/2
Jul	2.77	2.81 1/4	2.75 1/2	2.80 1/2	2.76
Sep	2.81 1/2	2.86 1/2	2.81 1/2	2.86	2.81 1/2
Dec	2.93	2.97 1/2	2.93	2.97 1/2	2.94

Tuesday sales 58,155 bushels; Tuesday Open interest: 151,773 up 4,255

Corn - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	2.22 1/2	2.24	2.19 3/4	2.20 1/2	2.21 3/4
Mar	2.32 1/2	2.34 3/4	2.30 1/2	2.30 3/4	2.32 1/4
May	2.40	2.42 3/4	2.38 1/2	2.39	2.40
Jul	2.46 1/4	2.49 1/4	2.45 1/2	2.45 3/4	2.46 1/4
Sep	2.47 1/4	2.49 3/4	2.47	2.47	2.47 1/4
Dec	2.48 1/2	2.51	2.47 1/4	2.48 1/2	2.48 3/4
Mar	2.54 1/2	2.57	2.54 1/2	2.54 1/2	2.54 1/2

Tuesday sales 291,935 bushels; Tuesday Open interest: 190,595 up 62,186

Oats - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	1.07 3/4	1.10 1/4	1.06 3/4	1.07 1/2	1.08 1/4
Mar	1.19 1/2	1.21 3/4	1.18 1/2	1.18 3/4	1.19 3/4
May	1.26	1.28 1/4	1.25 1/4	1.25 1/2	1.26 1/2
Jul	1.32 3/4	1.34	1.32	1.32	1.32 1/2
Sep	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2
Dec	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.47

Tuesday sales 11,275 bushels; Tuesday Open interest: 76,100 off 55

Soybeans - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	5.71 1/2	5.79 3/4	5.70 1/4	5.77 1/4	5.68 1/4
Mar	5.85 1/2	5.94	5.84 1/2	5.92 1/2	5.82 1/2
May	6.00	6.07 1/4	5.98 1/2	6.04 1/4	5.96 1/4
Jul	6.12 1/2	6.18 3/4	6.10	6.15 3/4	6.08 1/4
Aug	6.13 3/4	6.10 1/2	6.13 1/2	6.17	6.10 3/4
Sep	6.08	6.10	6.06	6.08	6.05
Nov	6.06 1/2	6.10	6.04 1/2	6.06 3/4	6.04
Jan	6.17	6.17	6.17	6.17	6.15 1/2
Mar	6.31	6.32	6.31	6.32	....

Tuesday sales 194,665 bushels; Tuesday Open interest: 157,793 off 490

Soybean Oil - 60,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	20.00	20.22	19.97	20.21	19.85
Jan	20.25	20.48	20.25	20.45	20.13
Mar	20.65	20.84	20.65	20.83	20.54
May	21.07	21.22	21.07	21.21	20.95
Jul	21.40	21.50	21.35	21.45	21.25
Aug	21.45	21.46	21.40	21.42	21.28
Sep	21.50	21.55	21.40	21.45	21.37
Oct	21.55	21.60	21.50	21.55	21.45
Dec	21.55	21.65	21.55	21.62	21.45
Jan	21.60	21.65	....	21.62	21.40

Tuesday sales 19,388 contracts; Tuesday Open interest: 89,648 up 1,797

Soybean Meal - 100 tons; $ per ton

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	172.50	176.00	172.30	174.50	171.90
Jan	174.80	178.50	174.70	176.90	174.60
Mar	178.30	181.80	178.30	180.30	177.90
May	181.00	183.70	180.60	182.50	180.20
Jul	184.00	186.50	183.80	185.20	183.50
Aug	185.50	187.80	185.50	186.00	184.70
Sep	185.00	186.00	185.00	185.00	183.50
Oct	183.00	183.50	182.00	182.40	181.50
Dec	183.00	185.00	183.00	185.00	183.00
Jan	184.00	184.50	184.00	184.00	183.50

Tuesday sales 19,430 contracts; Tuesday Open interest: 77,424 up 791

Open interest is reported by the CBOT in thousands of bushels.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 21) UPI - Boris Yeltsin, president of the republic of Russia, threatened Wednesday not to sign a proposed unity pact with the central

government unless his republic is given substantial control over its own natural resources, including diamonds and oil.

The threat, following refusals by other of the Soviet Union's 15 republics, could spell trouble for Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's plans to reorganize his nation.

Yeltsin also criticized Gorbachev's proposals to expand his own powers, calling them ''not quite clear or consistent'' and urging a plebiscite on the matter.

''If we want to know exactly whether the public wants Mikhail Gorbachev's presidential powers in full or not, we have to hold a national referendum,'' Yeltsin said. ''Russia has a law on referendums and we can hold one.''

Yeltsin, increasing the stakes in his growing power struggle with Gorbachev, set two conditions for sighing a ''union treaty'' that is to be the legal basis of a reconstituted country.

''Russia will sign the new union treaty if it is going to have actual sovereignty, if its (June) declaration of sovereignty is officially recognized by the Supreme Soviet or the president.

''The second condition is an agreement between the governments of Russia and the Soviet Union on the separation of functions,'' said the president of the Russian Federation. ''Questions of property, including foreign currency, diamonds, precious metals, oil, gas and so on, must be settled. Russia will not sign the union treaty before these issues are settled.''

Gorbachev promised local governments greater autonomy in the reformed ''Union of Sovereign Soviet Republics'' under a new pact leaders of the 15 republics would voluntarily sign, replacing the 1922 treaty by which the Soviet Union came into existence.

The Baltic republics of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania declared independence earlier this year and say they will not sign the pact. The Transcaucasian republic of Georgia said it would not sign after nationalists gained control of the Tbilisi legislature in elections last month.

But Yeltsin's statement was his first indication that the dominant Russian Federation might not enter into the agreement, a refusal that could spell trouble for the Soviet Union a viable country.

Yeltsin has already signed bilateral treaties with the Ukraine and with the Kazakhstan republic, continuing to build a foundation from which to challenge Gorbachev's authority.

Yeltsin's aggressive leadership of Russia began May 29 with his election as

chairman of its new legislature, a post that makes him an effective president of the republic that takes up three-quarters of the Soviet Union and has more than half its 290 million people.

The Russian Parliament declared sovereignty in June and adopted measures asserting control over its large reserves of raw materials.

The central government ignored the Russian claims, concluding a $1 billion diamond deal with a South African firm and insisting it will continue to decide how such valuable resources are allocated.

Gorbachev and Yeltsin met Nov. 11 to try to mend their differences and agreed to set up two working panels to address the distribution of powers and division of resources between the Soviet and Russian governments.

Yeltsin, however, broke the peace in a dramatic speech last Friday when he urged the Soviet Parliament to pass a vote of no confidence in the central government and approve a major shift of power to an ''anti- crisis committee'' controlled by the republics.

Gorbachev retaliated the next day with a plan to take over direct control of the Soviet government from Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov and to create three law-and-order agencies also based in the president's office.

Yeltsin said Tuesday the Russian republic is prepared to hold a referendum that would ask its residents to judge Gorbachev's performance.

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#90325u0752 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (NOV. 21) UPI - The Big Three automakers said Wednesday they will temporarily idle at least a dozen plants next week and beyond to trim bloated stocks of unsold cars and trucks, affecting more than 36,000 workers.

Industry leader General Motors Corp. plans to temporarily idle at least six U.S. plants next week because of high supplies of unsold cars and vans. Nearly 19,000 workers will be affected.

GM plants to be temporarily shuttered next week include ones in Wentzville, Mo.; Lansing, Mich. (A and B plants); Lordstown, Ohio (van plant); Kansas City Kan. (Fairfax); and Van Nuys, Calif.

Several of those plants, like Van Nuys, Fairfax and Lordstown, have been idled since early November due to lackluster sales, have been above last year's slow pace, but still not strong enough to support uninterrupted production schedules.

GM's Lansing B plant, which makes Pontiac Grand Am cars, will also be closed

the week of Dec. 3 because of high inventories. Its Lordstown van plant will resume output on Dec. 3, but on one shift, with production scaled back from 384 to 272 vans per day, GM said.

Second-ranked Ford Motor Co. was slated to idle several U.S. assembly plants for two weeks starting Monday because of a shortage of dealer orders, affecting 12,700 workers.

Among them is its Wayne, Mich., plant that produces the all-new Escort subcompact car. Ford has pinned high hopes on the Escort to help it meet government fuel-economy laws.

"Dealers are quite cautious about inventory levels, and that caution extends to subcompact, entry-level buyers whose incomes and credit ratings are most vulnerable in a recession," one company analyst said. "But all dealers are hearing is recession, recession, recession."

Ford will also idle its light truck plants in Norfork, Va.; Edison, N.J.; and Twin Cities, Minn., for two weeks because of a shortage of orders. Its Dearborn, Mich., Mustang car plant will also be closed until Dec. 10.

Ford's Thunderbird/Cougar and full-sized van plants in Lorain, Ohio, are to begin alternating single shifts Monday for four weeks, idling 2,000 workers each week.

Chrysler Corp. announced plans Wednesday to idle its Jeep plant in Toledo for one week starting Monday because of high inventories. The move will affect about 4,700 hourly people, a company spokesman said.

"Production levels are not strong enough to encourage dealers to ignore what they read in papers and see on the nightly news," said one Big Three sales analyst. "If the recession doesn't start today, they think it will start tomorrow. And inventories have been climbing."

As of Nov. 10, GM's supply of cars stood 82 days, while its light truck inventories were equal to 111 days, companywide. Ford had a car supply of 69 days and a truck supply of 87 days. Chrysler had a car supply of 75 days and a truck supply of 101 days. A vehicle supply of between 70 and 75 days is considered normal for the industry for this time of year.

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#90325u0753 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (NOV. 21) UPI - Finance Minister Vaclav Klaus said Wednesday prices will never be completely free of state control because of the danger of inflation.

In addition, some restrictions will remain when Czechoslovakia embarks on a

market economy Jan. 1, he said in a statement published in the Prague newspapers Lidove Noviny and Rude Pravo. It marked the first time Klaus, a free-market advocate, stepped back from total liberalization of prices.

The minister said the state will continue to set price limits on some goods because if all controls were lifted, monopoly producers would try to balance their books by raising prices rather than increasing efficiency, thereby creating inflation.

"Information from the enterprise sphere tells us that some enterprises expect to raise prices of their products on Jan. 1," he said. "This thinking is completely wrong." He said restrictive credit and financial policies are already being used to counter the trend.

"Immediately after prices are liberalized, similar attempts will be hindered by regulation of prices" under legislation now before the Czech parliament, he warned.

Klaus said the bill, if enacted, will let most prices be set by the market but at the same time give the government power to regulate price movements for goods and services and could even allow the government to temporarily freeze some prices.

There has been growing concern that the transition to a full-market economy, combined with the climbing price of oil, could launch explosive inflation and lead to social unrest. The communists have made it a major issue in their campaign for local elections Friday and Saturday.

Klaus said the legislation is intended to ensure that price changes reflect real changes in costs. He said powers granted in the legislation "would be used in full" starting Jan. 1. "The intensive use of regulatory instruments means the immediate impact of world prices on the economy at the start of 1991 will be spread out," he said.

Klaus did not say how the government, which owns most of Czechoslovakia's commerce and industry, would finance the continued subsidization of some economic sectors due to continued price regulation.

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#90325u0765 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (NOV. 21) UPI - An accountant Wednesday traced the flow of funds and the use of false invoices to explain how a posh beach home in California was secretly leased by the now-defunct Vernon Savings and Loan.

"We were told to submit (fake) invoices to document the draw requests," said Carol Sandford, a financial aide to Texas developer Jack Atkinson. "The money had to match, but the reasons for the invoices were just to make the draws

look authentic."

The government claims a complex payout arrangement was cut between Atkinson, the actual owner of the home, and Vernon involving tax deferrals and property swaps.

As result of the dealings, Vernon officials, at the behest of indicted thrift owner Don Dixon, were able to use the Solano Beach, Calif., house for parties - often involving prostitutes - Atkinson was able to take out big loans and the home's owner, Rose Van Boxtel, was able to use Vernon-owned condominiums in Dallas.

Defense attorney Billy Ravkind, while not denying the charges that Vernon secretly leased the beach home, said such deals were common in corporate America.

"The fact is everybody was happy," he said. "Everybody got their money. If Vernon had not collapsed, nobody would be griping." But Vernon did collapse in 1987 with losses of $1.3 billion. The home was seized by the government and both Atkinson and the Van Boxtel lost money.

According to a detailed flow chart presented by the government, Vernon checks for up to $24,000 a month were issued to Atkinson, who turned around the paid roughly half that amount - $13,000 to $15,000 - to the home's owners. The leasing arrangement did not mention Vernon as a party.

Prosecutors say Dixon used the home for personal purposes and often held wild parties for associates, clients and thrift regulators. In a 38-count indictment, Dixon is accused of illegally using Vernon funds to pay for prostitutes, make political contributions and support his lavish lifestyle. At one time, Dixon's thrift owned a fleet of six jets and a 112-foot yacht, the High Spirits. Dixon claims he is peniless and taxpayers are subsidizing his legal expenses.

Tuesday, Sandford said her boss told her he was drawing advance money from loans for his firm, Atkinson Land Co., through the home-lease contract with Vernon. "(Atkinson) told me that Mr. Dixon and he had discussed this and that it was more or less a condition of this loan," she testified.

Sandford said Atkinson asked her to "invent information" on forms submitted by his company to qualify for draw payments. The money was often requested as "consulting fees," she said.

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MILWAUKEE (NOV. 21) UPI - There is a good supply of Christmas trees nationally for 1990 and prices will be only a little higher than a year ago,

an official with the National Christmas Tree Association said Wednesday.

Cate Miller, assistant executive director of public relations for the Milwaukee-based association, said the group's 2,800 members expect to sell about 36 million Christmas trees for the holiday season.

"Price is the good news for consumers," she said. "There is a very little increase, probably to the range from $3.25 to $5.25 per foot for retail. That's just a slight increase over 1989 prices (of $3 to $5.25)."

Miller said in the last 20 years, the consumer price index has "risen by over 135 percent, but real Christmas tree prices are up by just 69 percent. So we're increasing at less than half the rate of the consumer price index. That's good news for consumers."

Up until last year, the Christmas tree industry had experienced a growth rate of about 2.5 percent for five straight years. But Miller said poor weather during the selling season accounted for a slight dip to about 34.4 million trees. "A chill in the air and a few snowflakes are good (for sales), but extremes hurt," she said.

She said fewer sales last year were pegged to extreme cold in the north during the selling season and a warm spell in southern areas. "Neither are very conducive to sales," she said.

Supplies in most of the nation "are adequate", Miller said, and trees are reported in excellent condition. "Our growers report trees look very good and that it's been a really good season," she said.

Miller said there have been changes in the market in recent years, with "choose and cut" tree farms now accounting for about 25 percent of all sales. "They continue to grow in popularity," she said. "These farms recreate the by-gone tradition of going out into the forests to cut the family Christmas tree." She also said living Christmas trees, which can be planted after the holidays, "are a small but vital sector of the industry."

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#90325u0793 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (NOV. 21) UPI - President Francois Mitterrand said Wednesday that France is ''ready to take part in a discussion'' on a United Nations resolution on the use of force against Iraq but said military intervention would not ''automatically'' follow.

The French president's statement came on the heels of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's statement at the conclusion of a summit of world leaders that the U.N. Security Council should meet ''without delay'' on the Persian Gulf crisis.

''France is ready to take part in a discussion to determine the language of a resolution presented to the Security Council in regard to the possible use of force,'' Mitterrand told a news conference after the conclusion of the 34-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Mitterrand said such a U.N. resolution ''should be adopted in the next three weeks.''

''As time continues to pass and there is no real progress, the danger continues to grow,'' Mitterrand said in reference to the possibility of armed conflict in the region.

Mitterrand's and Gorbachev's comments came at the close of the three- day conference on Europe during which U.S. officials engaged in intense negotiations on the gulf with European leaders present.

The Soviet leader said nations in the anti-Iraq coalition must be ''resolute and firm'' and emphasized the need for a Security Council meeting ''to discuss the situation there and take a decision.''

Mitterrand expressed frustration over Iraqi leader's Saddam Hussein's intransigence over Kuwait and piecemeal release of hostages.

''Iraq must free all the hostages ... it's not negotiable,'' Mitterrand said, adding that Iraq's planned release of several thousand hostages between Dec. 25 and March 25 ''carries no weight'' in '' in

The French president said ''every word'' of the proposed U.N. resolution would be carefully examined. He said he did not expect the language to ''automatically trigger the use of force. He said it would be ''up to the Security Council members to meet and discuss its ''il members t

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(NOV. 21) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $5 to $11 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.55 cent to 0.75 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.80 cent higher to 1.35 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.93 cent higher to 0.05 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.10 lower to $1.30 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $0.30 to $0.80 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.50 cent to 0.65 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 1.2 to 1.5 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.006 cent higher to 0.001 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday unchanged to 6 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.64	10.03	9.60	9.83	9.77
May	9.68	9.99	9.65	9.84	9.79
Jly	9.70	10.00	9.65	9.83	9.82
Oct	9.70	10.01	9.65	9.81	9.81
Mar	9.89	9.89	9.89	9.89	9.90

Estimated sales: 19,725 contracts

Open interest: 107,846 off 360

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.98

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 4 to 9 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.16	23.16	23.09	23.09	23.18
Mar	23.05	23.10	23.05	23.10	23.14
May	23.17	23.17	23.12	23.12	23.17
Jly	23.17	23.17	23.13	23.13	23.17
Sep	23.15	23.15	23.08	23.08	23.15
Nov	22.98	23.00	22.95	22.96	23.04
Jan	....	....	....	22.95	23.01

Estimated sales: 826 contracts

Open interest: 11,846 up 65

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) UPI - The United States exported a record $40.2 billion in farm products in fiscal 1990 but also posted record farm imports due to U.S. taste for foreign wine, beer, meat, fruits, and vegetables, the government said Wednesday.

Even with the $22.5 billion in imports - up $1 billion from the preceding year - agriculture is a bright spot in the U.S. trade picture with a trade surplus of $17.7 billion, the Agriculture Department said. The surplus was $18.2 billion in fiscal 1989. Exports occupy an important position in the farm economy, providing about 20 percent of cash receipts to farmers.

"Fiscal 1990 exports edged up one percent from the previous year to almost $40.2 billion," the department said in its first report on results of the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30.

The export figure was slightly higher than the $40 billion total that was forecast last August. Exports have climbed for the past four years, boosted by world demand for U.S. grain plus additional sales of cotton, tobacco, livestock products, fruits and vegetables.

Increased imports of so-called competitive products, items such as fruit, vegetables and wine that also are produced by U.S. farmers, accounted for the higher import figure. It was up $1.7 billion from fiscal 1989 while imports of non-competitive products, such as rubber, coffee and spices, were down $660 million.

Freeze damage to fruit and vegetable crops in the South last winter led to larger demand for foreign-grown produce, which was sold at a higher average price per pound. The imported produce was worth $5.7 billion, up about 14 percent.

In addition, there was a 17 percent increase in the value of imported meat and meat products to reach a total of $2.85 billion. Importers also bought $1.86 billion in foreign wine, beer and other beverages, a three percent increase. Canada, Mexico, Brazil, Australia and New Zealand are the leading sources of agricultural imports.

The Agriculture Department is due next week to issue its first forecast of agricultural imports and exports during the current fiscal year. Some analysts expect a drop in the dollar value of exports due to low grain prices and bumper crops worldwide.

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(NOV. 21) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Mixed in light trading.

Bonds - Mostly lower.

American Stocks - Mixed in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Mixed.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed unchanged to off 1 1/2, wheat was up 3 3/4 to 5 3/4, soybeans were up 1 1/2 to 9 and oats were off 1 to up 1.

Cattle Trade - $2 higher in pre-holiday trading.

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(NOV. 21) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.55	7.65	8.50
91-day Treasury bills	7.26	7.32	7.64
182-day Treasury bills	7.34	7.42	7.43
1-year Treasury bills	7.24	7.34	7.18
3-year Treasury notes	7.62	7.71	7.73
7-year Treasury notes	7.88	8.20	7.83
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.43	8.47	7.90
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.00	9.00	8.65
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.65	9.70	9.20
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.82	8.86	8.90
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.94	9.11	8.86
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.28	9.31	9.11
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.27	9.28	9.09

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 21) UPI - The Chicago Cubs Wednesday announced they have signed free agent left-hander Danny Jackson to a four-year contract, plugging a hole in their predominantly right-handed starting rotation.

Terms of the agreement were not announced.

Jackson, 28, was 6-6 last year for the World Champion Cincinnati Reds with a 3.61 ERA and won the third game of the National League playoff against Pittsburgh. His overall major league record is 72-74 with a 3.66 ERA in 196 games.

''Signing Danny Jackson solidifies our starting rotation,'' said Cubs' President Don Grenesko. ''This also helps demonstrate our commitment to winning.''

Jackson began his major league career in 1983 in Kansas City and was traded to Cincinnati in 1988.

In 1988 he posted his best season, leading the league with 23 wins against eight losses and a 2.73 ERA. He had 15 complete games in 35 starts that year with six shutouts.

Including this fall's action, Jackson has played in four league playoff games with a composite 2-0 record and a 1.50 ERA. In three World Series starts, he is 1-1 with a 2.89 ERA. He has pitched one complete game in the league playoffs and another in the World Series.

''We've watched Danny Jackson seriously over the last few years,'' Cubs General Manager Jim Frey said. ''In 1988 he had a monster year, a Cy Young Award-winning type of year. We were interested in him before he went to Cincinnati. In fact, we tried to acquire him from Kansas City.''

Jackson becomes the first free agent signed by the Cubs since Vance Law was acquired in 1987. The only other major Cubs' free agent signing in recent years was Andre Dawson earlier the same year.

The Cubs' starting rotation, still questionable because of Rick Sutcliffe's shoulder surgery, also features 1990 rookie sensation Mike Harkey. However, Sutcliffe, Harkey and others considered likely starters in 1991 all throw from the right.

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#90325u0839 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 21) UPI - Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev called Wednesday for an urgent meeting of the U.N. Security Council to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis while Egypt, a staunch supporter of U.S. policy in the region, said it would seek a peaceful solution to the standoff even if the Security Council authorized force against Baghdad.

''Egypt is keen to preserve Iraq as a state and a people and to avoid the catastrophes for the region that a destructive war would bring,'' Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid said in Cairo on the eve of President Bush's scheduled visit to Egypt.

Bush arrived Wednesday in Saudi Arabia, where he was to spend part of Thanksgiving with U.S. troops deployed there to discourage Iraq from expanding its Aug. 2 invasion of neighboring Kuwait.

Meguid said ''Egypt will continue its efforts for a peaceful settlement of the Iraq-Kuwait dispute even if the (U.N.) Security Council issues a resolution approving the use of force against Iraq'' for its invasion of Kuwait.

Meguid's dovish remarks and his referral to Iraq's invasion as a dispute, suggested Bush may be losing the enthusiastic backing on his most prominent Arab ally.

Gorbachev, who has also expressed reluctance to solve the crisis with a military strike, called in Paris for an urgent meeting of the Security Council warning that the gulf situation has become ''very serious.''

One regional observer said Meguid's remarks indicate Egypt would not allow its 20,000 troops deployed with Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia to take part in a U.S.-led military strike against Iraq.

Last week, Egypt and Syria asked the United States to delay the military option for three months to give Iraqi President Saddam Hussein time to pull out of Kuwait.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, a staunch supporter of the U.S.- dominated multinational force confronting Iraq, said in remarks published last week that Egyptian troops would not fight against Iraq, but would be prepared to play a peace-keeping role in Kuwait.

The new developments came as Bush headed from Paris for the Middle East at the end of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe for his first talks with major Arab allies since Iraq invaded Kuwait and to inspect U.S. troops.

He was met by King Fahd at the airport in the Saudi Red Sea port of Jeddah Wednesday evening and spoke later with the exiled emir of Kuwait.

Bush and first lady Barbara Bush were to attend Thanksgiving services Thursday with U.S. and British troops at several locations in the Saudi desert and at sea.

In a surprise move, it was announced Bush would meet with Syrian President Hafez Assad in Geneva on Friday on his way back to Washingtont.

Syria and the United States have had strained relations because Syria is on the U.S. list of countries that support terrorism, but Assad has been a harsh critic of Iraq and has deployed troops to Saudi Arabia to serve alongside American soldiers.

Bush flew to the gulf after appearing to make progress in his diplomatic efforts against Saddam as Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said the time was ripe for the U.N. to take further action to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

''I've said all along we're on the same wavelength with the Soviet Union,'' Bush told reporters in Paris. ''I think we have good synchronization with them and many other nations as we face the problems of the gulf.''

Shevardnadze said: ''I think the time has come for the Security Council to sum up - to take stock of things and to pass a proper judgment on what has been done in respect to implementation of the already passed resolutions. And, if there is a need, then adopt new resolutions with a view toward implementing all the previously passed decisions.''

In a related development, Secretary of State James Baker was to fly to Yemen Thursday in a bid to persuade Yemeni leaders to go along with any U.N. resolutions sanctioning force against Iraq, Arab radio stations said.

Yemen is one of a handful of Arab states supporting Iraq in the gulf standoff and it is to assume the rotating presidency of the Security Council next month. But the recently unified state, which has seen Iraq as a bulwark against Saudi Arabia, has indicated it could be persuaded to vote against Iraq on some issues.

In Paris, French President Francois Mitterrand said France is ''ready to take part in a discussion'' on a U.N. resolution on force against Iraq but cautioned that armed intervention would not ''automatically'' follow.

In Cairo, Mubarak continued extensive consultations with pro-Kuwaiti Arab ministers and other officials before meeting Bush on Friday, Cairo Radio said.

Baghdad Radio reported Wednesday that 238 Iranian prisoners of war left Baghdad for Tehran aboard a special Iraqi airliner as part of a wider agreement ending their 1980-88 war. Iran said 5,000 Iraqi POWS have sought political asylum and refuse to return to Iraq.

French right-wing extremist Jean Marie Le-Pen said he would leave Baghdad Thursday with a number of European hostages, including 35 Britons, Cairo radio said. Iraq released all French nationals several weeks ago in what was seen as an effort to break the alliance against Baghdad.

The radio said a Swiss delegation would also leave Iraq with 36 hostages, half of them Swiss.

Former boxing champion Mohammed Ali was also in Baghdad for a meeting with Saddam that he said Saddam asked for, Cairo radio said. The U.S. government has advised Americans not to travel to the troubled country.

In another development Wednesday, Iranian President Akbar Hashemi- Rafsanjani reiterated that Iraq should withdraw from Kuwait and that foreign forces should keep out of the gulf.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 21) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.29-2.39 up 3 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.69- 5.71 1/4 up 11 3/4 to off 9.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.08 1/2-2.21 1/2 off 1 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.25 1/2-2.29 1/2 off 2 1/4 to 1 1/4.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1017.2
Tuesday	1018.3
Week ago	1032.7
Month ago	1061.1
Year ago	1089.7
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1017.2

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.74

60 to 89 days 7.92

90 to 119 days 7.78

120 to 149 days 7.71

150 to 179 days 7.60

180 to 270 days 7.52

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.70 - 7.55

Issuers 30 days 7.51

Issuers 90 days 7.64

Issuers 270 days 7.35

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.87

60 to 89 days 7.15

90 to 119 days 7.06

120 to 149 days 8.00

150 to 179 days 7.94

180 days 7.92

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 7-16 - 7 9-16

1 month 7 13-16 -7 15-16

3 month 8.00 - 8 1-8

6 month 7 7-8 - 8.00

Year 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.03 - 7.01

6 months 6.98 - 6.96

Year 6.78 - 6.76

Federal Funds: High 7 1/2, Low 7 1/2, Close 7 1/2.

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7.624 off 0.046.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)
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#90325u0852 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	66 5-8	up	1-4
AT&T Company	32 5-8	up	1-8
BCE Inc	33 1-4	off	1-4
Bell Atlantic	53 3-8	up	1-4
BellSouth Corp	53 1-2	up	3-8
Exxon Corp	50 5-8	unch	
Ford Motor Co	26 7-8	unch	

Genl Electric	53	3-4	up	1-2
General Motors	37	3-4	off	3-8
GTE Corp	28		up	1-8
IBM Corp	113	7-8	up	1-2
Mobil Oil Corp	58	1-4	up	3-4
Nynex Corp	70	3-8	off	1-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24	3-8	up	3-8
Pacific Telesis	45		up	5-8
Phila Electric	16	3-8	up	1-8
Sears Roebuck	25	5-8	off	1-2
Southern Co	26	5-8	up	1-4
Sthwestern Bell	52	3-4	up	1-4
US West Inc	37	1-8	off	3-8

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#90325u0854 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2539.36	up	9.16
20 Trans	849.85	off	3.15
15 Utils	208.69	up	1.64
65 Stocks	885.33	up	2.24

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#90325u0856 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2539.36	up	9.16	849.85	off	3.15	208.69	up	1.64
Tuesday	2530.20	off	35.15	853.00	off	14.79	207.05	off	1.64
Week ago	2559.65	up	24.25	877.59	up	9.80	208.75	off	0.32
Month ago	2504.21	up	10.15	867.05	off	7.95	210.51	up	0.56
Year ago	2656.78	up	17.49	1166.43	up	8.18	221.33	up	1.32
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90325u0864 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Wednesday - $32,820,000

1990 to date - $9,870,413,000

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#90325u0866 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 93 points higher to five points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	74.55	76.10	74.55	75.43	74.50
Mar	73.40	73.94	72.95	73.78	73.26
May	73.50	73.90	73.20	73.80	73.48
Jly	74.00	74.25	73.65	74.01	73.82
Oct	67.75	67.90	67.50	67.75	67.70
Dec	65.40	65.50	65.25	65.32	65.37
Mar	66.05	66.05	66.05	66.02	66.05

Estimated sales: 10,000 contracts
Open interest: 43,192 off 1,270
The World spot average: 69.45

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#90325u0885 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 21) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	172.73	up	0.25
ASE Market Value Index	295.58	off	0.43
Dow-Jones Industrial	2539.36	up	9.16

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#90325u0891 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 21) UPI - President Bush is sending a blunt message to Iraq's Saddam Huseein- ''withdraw unconditionally from Kuwait right now'' or face tougher action soon from the United Nations. Bush arrived in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, to spend Thanksgiving with American troops. Following a royal greeting from King Fahd, Bush quickly met with the ousted emir of Kuwait and later told reporters the emir had shown him evidence of ''treatment of Kuwaitis so cruel and so brutal that it just turns your stomach.''

Convicted junk bond trader Michael Milken says he regrets the crimes that led to his 10-year prison sentence. Attorney General Thornburgh calls the sentence ''both fair and appropriate,'' considering the securities laws Milken broke.

Thanksgiving is a time to share bounty with the less fortunate. A platoon of Hollywood celebrities and Los Angeles Raiders football players say they'll dish up dinner to five-thousand at the Union Rescue Mission on Skid Row.

And in New York, inmates at the Riker's Island jail who are studying culinary

arts prepared 100 turkeys donated by restaurants for distribution to homeless shelters.

The carrier U-S-S America and its crew of five-thousand sailors returned to port in Norfolk, Virginia, today. A cheering crowd of friends and family greeted them. The America was gone six weeks on exercises in the Atlantic, but is slated to leave soon for the Persian Gulf.

NASA is giving the shuttle Atlantis a gold star for getting through its just-completed five-day flight in excellent condition. The space watchers now turn their attention to the shuttle Columbia's launch planned for December 2nd.

The Labor Department says initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled a seasonally adjusted 488-thousand for the week ending November 10th. That's up 39-thousand from the previous week.

Russian republic president Boris Yeltsin is threatening NOT to sign a suggested unity pact with the government in Moscow... unless his region gets substantial control over its own resources, including diamonds and oil.

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#90325u0892 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 11,860,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,030,211,680
Bonds - $3,510,000
1990 to date - $668,248,000

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#90325u0895 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 140,660,000 shares
1990 to date - 35,734,071,300
Warrants - 1,401,800
1990 to date - 231,924,800

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#90325u0905 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.10	off 0.11
10 Public Utils	92.13	off 0.10
10 Industrials	88.08	off 0.12

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#90325u0914 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (NOV. 21) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Wednesday - 7,699,000
1990 to date - 2,227,215,000

The market closed mixed.

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#90325u0917 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
HOWARD AIR FORCE BASE, Panama (NOV. 21) UPI - Gen. George A. Joulwan took over as chief of the U.S. Southern Command Wednesday, pledging to help Latin American nations combat drug trafficking and terrorism.

''I ... pledge my support and the support of this command to assist those nations of the region that are threatened, encountering terrorism, subversion, insurgency and illegal production and trafficking of drugs,'' Joulwan said at a brief ceremony at Howard Air Force Base, 5 miles west of Panama City.

Joulwan, 51, replaces Gen. Maxwell R. Thurman as commander of the U.S. military forces in Latin America. Thurman, one of the chief architects of the U.S. invasion of Panama last December, is retiring from the Army.

About 10,000 troops are stationed at the Southern Command, which is the headquarters for the U.S. military in Latin America.

In the past year, the war on drugs has emerged as a major new role for the Southern Command, whose principal role is defending the Panama Canal.

Joulwan said the Southern Command would cooperate to ensure a smooth turnover of the Panama Canal. Under the 1977 Panama Canal treaties, Panama will take over control of the 51-mile waterway on Dec. 31, 1999.

Joulwan, a Vietnam veteran, previously served as commanding general of the V-Corps, U.S. Army Europe, 7th Army and the 30th armored division, and as special assistant to the Supreme Allied Command in Europe.

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#90325u0919 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 296.10, low 294.10, close 295.58, off 0.43.

There was a loss of 1 cent in the average share price.

Volume 11,860,000 shares, compared with 10, 650,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	5
New Lows	48
Advances	251
Declines	289
Unchanged	259
Total Issues	799

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#90325u0928 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	25.00-25.05	24.30-24.40
North Sea Brent	30.03-30.13	29.10-29.15
West Texas Intermed	30.10-30.15	29.20-29.30
Light Louisiana Sweet	31.00-31.10	30.30-30.55
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	80.95-81.45	80.00-80.50
No. 2 Heating oil	84.65-84.90	83.95-84.20
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	76.05-76.35	75.40-75.65
No. 2 Heating oil	83.05-83.25	82.25-82.45

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#90325u0939 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	108,379,720	19 3/4	up 3/4
Micrsoft Comp	(MSFT)	40,393,456	68 3/4	up 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	40,104,796	36 1/4	off 1/2
Apple Comp	(AAPL)	27,400,372	36 1/8	up 5/8
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	24,485,384	53 1/2	off 3/8
Medco Research	(MEDR)	19,092,036	29 1/2	up 1 1/4
Reuter Holdgs	(RTRS)	17,046,300	37 1/4	up 1 3/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	13,523,464	29 1/4	up 1/2
Nordstrom Inc	(NOBE)	13,303,739	23	up 1

Adobe Syst (ADBE) 12,559,002 25 3/4 off 3/8

Composite Index 153.43 up 0.22

NMS volume 88,567,600 shares.

Advances	697
Declines	733
Unchanged	1,346
Total	2,776

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#90325u0968 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 21) UPI - Record warm temperatures prevailed from the upper Mississippi Valley to the Central Plains Wednesday while winter storm warnings were posted for parts of the West.

All-time highs for the day were tied or broken in Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Indiana, Alabama and Kansas. The high temperatures ranged from the 50s into the 70s.

A winter storm warning, meanwhile, was posted over the Cascade and Olympic mountains of Washington State. Warnings of gale winds were posted along the northern coast of Oregon.

A new weather system is scheduled to reach the northern Pacific Coast on Thanksgiving Day, the National Weather Service reported. Temperatures will be warmer and rainfall heavy.

A flood warning was posted for several northerwest rivers through Thursday, including Cedar, White, Snoqualmie, Skykomish, Stilliguamish, Skagit and the Nooksak Rivers.

Strong gusty winds whipped much of eastern and southern Wyoming Wednesday.

Low temperature for the nation early Wednesday was 4 degrees above zero at Ely Nev.

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#90325u0973 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 21) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	18	9	11
New lows	83	43	43

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume

Advances	705	62,806,100
Declines	761	56,096,400
Unchanged	507	21,757,500
Total	1,973	140,660,000

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#90325u0981 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Boeing Co	2,688,900	44 1/4	up 1 5/8
Nat Semiconductor	2,324,900	4 1/4	up 3/4
Fed Nat Mtge	2,012,700	30 5/8	off 1
C & S Sovran	1,775,200	16 5/8	off 1 1/4
Citicorp	1,539,300	12 5/8	off 1/8
Texas Util	1,499,100	37 7/8	up 1/2
MCA Inc	1,483,200	68 1/2	up 1 1/8
Amer Express	1,424,700	19 3/4	off 3/4
Philip Morris	1,424,100	48 3/4	up 1/8
Lilly Eli	1,341,000	68 1/2	up 2 1/2
IBM Corp	1,312,900	114 1/8	up 3/4
Gen Electric	1,280,600	53 3/4	up 1/2
Alcan Alum	1,242,200	17 1/4	unch
Gen Motor	1,167,100	37 5/8	off 1/2
Fed Nat Mtg wt	1,127,700	16	off 7/8

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#90325u0983 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

ARLINGTON, Texas (NOV. 21) UPI - Students at the University of Texas at Arlington have resoundingly voted down a proposal to establish the first on-campus abortion clinic at a U.S. university.

Students voted 1,430 to 746 against allowing first-trimester abortions in the student health clinic on the campus. The election was held Monday and Tuesday and the results were made public late Tuesday.

The Student Congress ordered the issue placed on the ballot and it will consider the mandate at its next meeting Nov. 27. The members are expected to vote against sending the proposal on to the school administration.

''I think, yes, they will use the results in making their decision,'' said Student Congress President Brian Chase, a junior engineering major.

The issue seemed moot from the beginning because UTA President Wendell Nedderman had said he opposed the measure, which could not be enacted without

his approval.

Nedderman said more than two weeks ago that the proposal to permit abortions in Student Health Services was ''grossly inappropriate.'' He was was criticized by students for announcing a position before the vote.

A second question, asking whether students would support the resolution if the abortions were not paid for with student fees, resulted in a nearly identical vote: 1,372 against, 718 for.

Although the abortion clinic was rejected, 1,128 students said they considered themselves ''pro-choice'' while 859 called themselves ''pro- life'' and 198 said they were undecided.

Only about 9 percent of the school's 24,800 students cast ballots.

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#90325u0987 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
BAT Industries	1,728,500	10 11/16	off 1/16
Echo Bay Mines	752,900	7 7/8	off 1 1/4
Amdahl Corp	537,200	13 3/4	up 1/4
Contl Air Hldgs	340,100	3 1/2	unch
Am Exploration	252,800	4	up 1/8
Tubos De Acero	245,300	6 1/4	unch
Fruit of Loom	238,700	7 1/4	up 1/8
OMI Corp	205,500	4 7/8	up 1/8
Wang Labs Inc B	201,300	2 7/8	unch
BHC Commghes	180,300	43 1/2	off 1/4

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#90325u0988 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	369.66	221.08	140.15	21.71	315.31
Opening	370.04	221.05	140.52	21.50	315.47
11 a.m.	367.76	219.23	140.19	21.22	313.52
Noon	367.58	218.92	140.05	21.27	313.40
1 p.m.	366.62	218.84	139.70	21.20	312.59
2 p.m.	366.28	219.84	140.06	21.30	313.93
3 p.m.	369.54	220.91	140.62	21.35	315.01

Close	370.68	220.70	141.17	21.46	316.03
Change	up 1.02	off 0.38	up 1.02	off 0.25	up 0.72

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#90325u1019 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 21) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6175	off 75
TRW Inc pfB	148 1/2	off 22 3/8
PSE&G pfA	59	up 13 1/2
Atl Rich pfC	300 1/2	off 6 5/8
Enserch Expl	16 3/8	up 6 3/8
Pitney Bowes pf	140	off 5
Lilly Eli wt	62	up 4 1/4
Ohio Power pfE	86 1/2	off 4 1/4
PSE&G pfL	90	up 4
Lilly Eli	68 1/2	up 2 1/2
Detroit Ed pf	161	up 2 1/2

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#90325u1021 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	172.73	171.11	172.73	up 0.25
Industrial	213.75	211.65	213.75	up 0.48
Transport	134.67	133.36	134.14	off 0.48
Utility	89.35	88.62	89.35	up 0.40
Finance	114.21	113.07	114.02	off 0.91

Equivalent to a gain of 5 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 140,660,000 shares.

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#90325u1025 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

PHOENIX (NOV. 21) UPI - The Phoenix Cardinals Wednesday claimed from waivers Dexter Manley, the Washington Redskin defensive end who was reinstated by the NFL after serving a one-year drug suspension.

Cardinals Coach Joe Bugel expressed a strong interest in Manley on Monday, the day the NFL ruled he could play again in the league.

The Cardinals must pay Manley for the final six games. He earns about $450,000 a year.

Following Monday's decision, Manley, 32, was immediately waived by the Redskins, where he had played since his rookie season in 1981 and became one of Washington's most popular and flamboyant athletes.

The first team that had the option to sign Manley was the 1-9 New England Patriots, by virtue of having the worst record in the NFL. But the Patriots said they had no interest in the Redskins' all-time sack leader.

The next opportunity went to the Cleveland Browns or the Cardinals, depending on a coin flip, which would have been needed if both 2-8 teams sought Manley. However, the Browns also did not want Manley.

That left it open for the Cardinals to claim him. Manley, who is eligible to play starting Dec. 9, was not immediately available for comment following his selection.

Manley's attorney, Bob Woolf, said Tuesday Manley ''would be happy to play in Phoenix, but he will still miss Washington and the Redskins.''

Manley was suspended for ''life'' Nov. 18, 1989, following a positive test for cocaine use, his third violation of the league's substance abuse policy. However, he applied for reinstatement after one year, as the policy allows.

NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue met with Manley Friday in the commissioner's New York office to discuss Manley's rehabilitation from cocaine and alcohol addiction. Manley has been enrolled in a substance abuse program in Houston and says he has been drug-free for more than a year.

The NFL statement said Tagliabue's decision on reinstatement was conditioned on several factors, including Manley's continued avoidance of further drug involvement and the player's participation in a structured support program.

''Manley must be enrolled in such a program before he may play in an NFL game on the weekend of Dec. 9.''

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#90325u1032 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 367.87 up 1.24.

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#90325u1036 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 21) UPI - President Bush says ''the pressure is increasing on Saddam Hussein and if he doesn't understand it now, he will soon.'' That warning came as Bush spoke with reporters in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, and as other world leaders seem to be moving toward asking the United Nations to send another warning to Iraq. Bush says he is ''more committed than ever'' to standing firm against Saddam... and predicts the U-N will take further action soon.

Bush and first lady Barbara arrived in Jeddah shortly after the White House confirmed that Bush will stop in Switzerland on his way back to Washington to meet with Syrian President Assad. Washington has tried to keep ties with Syria at arms length because of its alleged links to terrorist groups. But Bush defends the Friday meeting to talk about the Persian Gulf, saying he has ''NO problem'' sitting down with Assad to discuss a ''common objective.''

An OPEC newsletter says Middle East oil producers will realize a windfall of about 44-BILLION dollars in extra revenue this year thanks to the rise in oil prices during the gulf crisis. The industry newsletter is called OPEC Listener. The New York-based publication says the estimated 1990 oil revenues of all 13 OPEC members will ring in at around 148-BILLION. Some of those countries are helping to pay for the U-S-led multi-national force trying to protect the oil fields from Iraqi aggression.

In El Savador, the fighting is heating up again between rebels and government troops. The military today beefed up security in the capital of San Salvador following one day of rebel attacks that killed 25 people and wounded at least 116. President Alfredo Cristiani is warning the rebels that their dependence on military action to win concessions in the peace talks could backfire.

The Food and Drug administration confirms that it has allowed doctors to precribe marijuana to a 34-year-old UNidentified Virginia man suffering from AIDS. Smoking ''pot'' relieves nausea, vomiting and pain caused by the disease but under federal law, it is illegal for a doctor to prescribe it. The marijuana prescription is filled from the government's stock controlled by the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

The Virginia man joins a 33-year-old Texas AIDS patient and a handful of other patients with cancer, glaucoma and multiple sclerosis who have received government OK's for medical access to marijuana.

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adverse publicity about the case has hurt his musical career and that he thinks the initial charges were prompted by someone with a grudge.

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#90325u1043 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Assets of the nation's 524 money market mutual funds surged by $6.36 billion to $423.52 billion in the week ended Wednesday, according to the Investment Company Institute.

Other financial reporting organizations said average yields for money-market mutual funds were mixed, as were deposit and lending rates at competing U.S. savings and loan institutions.

The institute said institutional fund assets increased by $3.74 billion to $107.24 billion in the latest week,while broker-dealer fund assets rose by $1.32 billion to $166.29 bilion and assets of general- purpose funds moved up by $1.3 billion to $149.99 billion.

"Assets of money-market funds surged in the latest reporting week shortened by Thanksgiving," said Jacob Dreyer, vice president and chief economist of the Washington-based institute.

Dreyer said institutional funds moved the most as portfolio managers, reactingsharply to credit-easing moves by the Federal Reserve, "massively shifted monies from direct money-market instruments ... into mutual funds."

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports assets of money-market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.35 percent, up from 7.34 percent, and 30-day simple yields were 7.38 percent, down from 7.40 percent. The average maturity of fund portfolios rose to 51 days from 49.

The Bank Rate Monitor, of North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.84 percent, down from 5.85 percent; Super-Now accounts, 4.96 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit 7.36 percent, down from 7.39 percent; 1-year CDs, 7.43 percent, down from 7.47 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.53 percent, down from 7.57 percent; and five-year CDs, 7.75 percent, down from 7.78 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.04 percent, down from 8.08 percent the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.53 percent from the prior week's 9.61 percent. The average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage eased to 9.84 percent from 9.94 percent.

The average interest rate for a four-year automobile loan was unchanged at 12.23 percent, the Bank Rate Monitor said.

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(NOV. 21) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	229.70	229.70	225.60	228.70	229.00
Mar	228.50	231.70	228.50	230.75	231.05
Jun	....	....	....	233.15	233.25

Estimated volume: 131 contracts.

Open interest: 1,369 up 56.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	318.00	318.50	313.40	317.85	316.80
Mar	320.30	321.00	315.95	320.40	319.40
Jun	320.20	323.80	319.10	323.45	322.40
Sep	324.10	326.60	322.25	326.45	325.20

Estimated volume: 43,874 contracts.

Open interest: 156,929 up 1,044.

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	173.30	174.00	171.20	173.60	172.80
Mar	174.65	175.00	172.70	174.90	174.10
Jun	....	....	....	176.20	175.40

Open interest: 4,839 off 188.

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	537.50	538.30	530.60	537.70	536.50
Jan	535.05	540.20	533.25	539.70	538.60
Feb	....	....	....	539.80	538.70

Estimated volume: 3,424 contracts.

Open interest: 7,009 up 514.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - The stock market closed mixed Wednesday in light Thanksgiving eve trading, saved from a decline by the blue chips' late push

into positive territory.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which lost 35.15 Tuesday, added 9.16 to close at 2539.36.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.25 to 172.73 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index gained 0.72 to 316.03. The price of an average share rose 5 cents.

Declines led advances 741-712 among the 1,974 issues traded. Big Board volume totaled 140,660,000 shares, down from 161,170,000 traded Tuesday.

Stocks opened mixed before turned slightly higher in Wednesday trading. But the market then reversed course, heading lower before turning mixed in late trading. Institutional buying helped firm prices, along with bargain hunting after Tuesday's sharp drop, analysts said.

The market hit its low at about midday, with the Dow down about 20 points. But Sidney Dorr, vice president of institutional trading at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco, said the market's thinness, reflecting the Thursdayholiday, rescued it from further declines.

"The market looked like it may have been ready to fall further for a while, but when it was down 20-some points there was no liquidity out there," he said. "When sell orders did come in, there was no one around to absorb them."

This, Dorr said, put a brake on the selling pressure until some late bargain hunting pulled prices up. "There was no reason for the lack of liquidity, just that it's the day before a holiday, which many people turned into a long weekend," said Dorr. The market will be closed Thursday for Thanksgiving and while trading resumes Friday, the session promises to be dull with many players taking an extra day off.

On the trading floor, Boeing was the most active issue, up 1 5/8 to 44 1/4 in a recovery from Tuesday's ten percent plunge in the price of the stock.

National Semiconductor followed, up 3/4 to 4 1/4. The company said it had signed a letter of intent to sell a Puyallup, Wash., chip manufacturing plant to Matsushita Electronics Corp., ending an expensive attempt to enter the market for static random access memories, used in leading-edge computers and instruments such as mainframe computers.

Federal National Mortgage Association, known as Fannie Mae, was third, down one to 30 5/8.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T rose 3/8 to 32 3/4 and IBM gained 3/4 to 114 1/8, but American Express lost 3/4 to 19 3/4 amid continued concerns about how brokerage unit Shearson Lehman Hutton would fare in the fourth quarter. Merck

fell 3/8 to 84 3/8 and General Motors eased 1/2 to 37 5/8.

Elsewhere, Digital Equipment plunged 2 3/8 to 49 3/8 after saying Tuesday it will close the computer company's Phoenix manufacturing plant, cutting about 476 jobs.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 172,420,120 shares, compared with 195,598,140 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index lost 0.43 to close at 295.58. Declines led advances 288-251 among the 800 issues traded. The price of an average share fell one cent. Composite volume totaled 14,052,400 shares vs. 12,894,900 traded Tuesday. B.A.T. Industries led the Amex issues, off 1/16 to 10 11/16. The company offered a positive outlook even though it reported nine-month profits plunged.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 0.48 to close at 348.77.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austral	.000196	.000195	5091.00	5135.00
Australia dlr	.7640	.7670	1.3089	1.3038
Austria schill	.0962	.0967	10.39	10.34
Belgium franc-c	.0328	.0328	30.51	30.49
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0086	.0087	116.40	114.95
Britain pound	1.9685	1.9650	.5080	.5089
Britain 1-mo	1.9583	1.9549	.5106	.5115
Britain 3-mo	1.9426	1.9377	.5148	.5161
Britain 6-mo	1.9277	1.9177	.5188	.5215
Canada dollar	.8628	.8630	1.1590	1.1588
Canada 1-mo	.8596	.8598	1.1633	1.1631
Canada 3-mo	.8541	.8543	1.1708	1.1706
Canada 6-mo	.8475	.8475	1.1800	1.1800
Chile peso-f	.003256	.003255	307.09	307.18
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001858	.001859	538.31	537.82
Denmark krne	.1765	.1775	5.6650	5.6338

Ecudr sucre-z	.001178	.001180	849.23	847.28
Egypt pound	.3614	.3614	2.7670	2.7670
Finlnd mrkka	.2825	.2818	3.5400	3.5480
France franc	.2005	.2010	4.9870	4.9745
France 1-mo	.2002	.2007	4.9947	4.9822
France 3-mo	.1996	.2001	5.0092	4.9970
France 6-mo	.1986	.1987	5.0360	5.0315
Greece drach	.006680	.006654	149.69	150.28
Hollnd guildr	.5995	.6019	1.6680	1.6615
HongKong dlr	.1285	.1284	7.7845	7.7865
India rupee	.0559	.0558	17.88	17.92
Indo'sa rupia	.000537	.000538	1861.00	1859.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.8093	1.8175	0.5527	0.5502
Israel shekel	.5107	.5110	1.9580	1.9570
Italy lira	.000900	.000903	1111.00	1108.00
Japan yen	.007851	.007760	127.37	128.86
Japan 1-mo	.007863	.007758	127.17	128.90
Japan 3-mo	.007901	.007816	126.57	127.95
Japan 6-mo	.008047	.007924	124.27	126.20
Jordan dinar	1.5555	1.5555	.6429	.6429
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000343	.000343	2913.00	2913.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6125	.6122	1.6327	1.6335
Norway krne	.1732	.1733	5.7740	5.7700
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	423,550	423,550
P'pnes peso-z	.0366	.0366	27.31	27.31
Portugl escud	.007737	.007728	129.25	129.40
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5845	.5851	1.7110	1.7090
S.Africa rand	.3985	.3976	2.5092	2.5152
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010655	.010672	93.85	93.70
Sweden krona	.1804	.1805	5.5430	5.5400
Switzrl franc	.7994	.8035	1.2510	1.2445
Switzrl 1-mo	.7991	.8033	1.2514	1.2449
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7982	.8024	1.2528	1.2463
Switzrl 6-mo	.7970	.8012	1.2547	1.2481
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0374	26.73	26.75
Turkey lira	.000364	.000365	2748.00	2736.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0203	.0203	49.23	49.27
Germany mark	.6761	.6787	1.4790	1.4733
Germany 1-mo	.6759	.6785	1.4795	1.4738

Germany 3-mo	.6747	.6773	1.4822	1.4765
Germany 6-mo	.6723	.6750	1.4874	1.4814
Yugosl dinar	.0992	.0988	10.08	10.12

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter --day as supplied by NASD.

Volume	116,666,500
Advances	857
Declines	869
Unchanged	2,477
Total	4,203

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - The dollar mostly firmed in thin New York trading on the eve of the Thanksgiving holiday weekend, but it skidded against the Japanese yen on a report that monetary authorities would let the U.S. unit fall further.

Currency traders said most market participants squared positions in dealings that many banks and investment houses wrapped up early. The New York market isclosed Thanksgiving and will reopen Friday for limited business.

In the only significant currency move, the dollar plunged 1.70 yen as players reacted to a report from a well-connected Washington economic consulting firm saying Japanese and German authorities had set a dollar floor.

Late in the New York session, the dollar was quoted at 1.4770 German marks, up from 1.4735 Tuesday, and at 127.10 Japanese yen, off from 128.80.

The Smick-Medley Associates report, according to market observers, said German and Japanese monetary authorities had agreed they would step in to support the dollar only when it hit 1.45 marks and 120 yen.

One New York trader said this triggered a big dollar plunge in Tokyo early in the global trading day. "The yen had been undervalued for some time," she said against the dollar, so the yen benefited most.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2472 Swiss francs, up from 1.2445; 4.98 French

francs, up from 4.9745; and 1,110 Italian lire, up from 1,108.

The British pound strengthened to $1.9700 from $1.9655 as traders covered commitments to sell sterling and as Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher made a defiant speech to Parliament, indicating she would fight an attempt by dissidents in her ruling Conservative Party to oust her.

In Europe, the dollar closed mixed in thin trading as war threats subsided in the Persian Gulf ahead of Thanksgiving.

"The dollar was trading in very tight ranges ahead of the holiday. Also, the possibility of war seems less likely in the short term," said Mike Janes, a Midland Bank currency analyst in London.

Reports saying U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady was ready to see the dollar fall further prompted selling of the currency, dealers said.

Frankfurt deutsche mark trading was halted for a German national holiday and will resume Thursday. The dollar closed Tuesday at 1.4755 marks. In Zurich, the greenback was unchanged at 1.2465 Swiss francs Wednesday.

In early trading in London, the pound slipped to $1.9685 from $1.9705 before Thatcher's speech. The battle between Thatcher and Michael Heseltine for party control is to be settled in a Parliament vote of Conservative ministers next week.

The dollar declined in Paris and Milan, to 4.9760 French francs from 4.9785 and to 1,108.60 Italian lira from 1,111.25, respectively. In Brussels, the dollar rose to 30.52 Belgian francs from 30.4650.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar plunged against the yen on a report that Brady had remarked he would accept a continued slide of the currency, closing at 127.68 yen vs. Tuesday's 128.93.

Reported comments by a high-ranking Soviet official that Iraq will withdraw from Kuwait in the near future also spurred dollar selling.

Gold closed higher in both Zurich, at $378.50 an ounce vs. $377.50 Tuesday, and London, at $378.50 an ounce vs. $378.

Silver closed lower in Zurich, at $4.10 an ounce vs. $4.15, but moved up in London to $4.12 an ounce from $4.11.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $379.50 an ounce, up from $378.25 Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $378.90 an ounce, up from $377.60.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.13 an ounce, up from $4.115. Comex silver

finished trading at $4.125 an ounce, up from $4.11.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	295.58	off 0.43
High Technology	307.50	up 2.86
Capital Goods	309.74	off 1.65
Consumer Goods	376.25	up 0.04
Service	672.04	off 0.81
Retail	940.79	off 6.75
Financial	351.96	off 0.32
Natural Resources	214.28	off 0.99
Housing-Const-Land	211.28	off 2.25

There was a loss of 1 cent in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	388.20	off 0.92
Mid Atlantic	399.58	up 1.70
No Central	386.79	off 2.09
So Atlantic	825.22	off 3.71
So Central	300.36	off 0.86
Mountain	103.87	off 0.48
Pacific	340.50	up 2.36
Foreign	210.78	off 1.49

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 435.69, off 0.01 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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HARRISBURG, Pa. (NOV. 21) UPI - State Secretary of Environmental Resources Arthur Davis said Wednesday his agency would not continue holding up the evaporation of 2.3 million gallons of slightly radioactive water from the Three Mile Island nuclear power plant.

Davis asked the operators of TMI in August to delay the evaporation until he had a chance to review a newly released study of cancer cases.

The study, conducted by two epidemiologists from Columbia University, found no connection between the rate of cancer around TMI, in Middletown Pa., and the March 28, 1979 partial meltdown of Unit 2.

Mary Wells, a spokeswoman for GPU Nuclear Corp. which operates the plant, said Davis's go-ahead was welcome news. She said a new evaporation schedule would be announced next Tuesday.

The plans call for the gradual evaporation of water that collected during the clean-up from the accident. Most of the radioactive material has been removed, but a small amount of radioactive tritium will be released into the air over the course of 18-24 months, she said.

Wells said the release plan has been cleared by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and DER last year.

An anti-nuclear citizens' organization objected to Davis' decision.

''We think the decision is short-sighted and disappointing,'' said Eric Epstein, spokesman for the 500-member TMI Alert. ''The responsible position is one that opposes evaporating radioactive material into the community.''

He contended not enough research has been done to assure the safety of the operation, and charged that TMI is in a hurry to get rid of the water.

Wells stressed that the cancer study and Davis's request to hold up the evaporation were not related. At the time, TMI officials suggested Davis temporarily blocked the evaporation because he was not given advance review of the cancer study.

In his letter giving the go-ahead to the evaporation, Davis said DER will conduct random, unannounced site inspections and carry out an independent radiation monitoring program in communities near the plant.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 21) UPI - R.H. Macy's Inc. dealt a severe blow Wednesday to Daily News management by announcing the high-profile department store had decided to stop advertising in the strikebound tabloid, union officials said.

Macy's, one of the largest and most profitable advertisers to the News, decided to stop the ads as management continues to combat crippling circulation problems that have plagued their efforts at getting copies of the newspaper into readers' hands during the month- long strike.

The announcement came the day before the 64th annual Thanksgiving Day Parade, which is sponsored by Macy's and traditionally ends in front of the store's

flagship Herald Square outlet.

Sam McKnight, an attorney for the striking unions, said Macy's executives told him the store would not resume advertising in the News until the newspaper settles the bitter labor dispute, now entering its second month.

McKnight said G.G. Michaelson, a Macy's executive, made the announcement Wednesday in response to union demands that the department store take a neutral stance in the strike that began Oct. 25.

''Union workers throughout New York can now enter Macy's with a clear conscience,'' McKnight said.

News spokeswoman Lisa Robinson declined to comment on Macy's decision, saying only, ''We will not speak to any specifics of our advertisers.''

Meanwhile, a poll released Wednesday and commissioned by a union sympathetic to striking workers found that regular readers of the News support striking employees over management by a 3-to-1 margin.

The survey, funded by Local 1199, the city's hospital and health care workers union, which came out early in support of striking unions, also said that just over half of all those questioned, 52 percent, support the workers over management.

That figure rose to 60 percent, however, among those who described themselves as regular readers of the News before Oct. 25, when the strike began.

In both instances, about 15 percent said they supported management, with the remaining percentage of those questioned supporting both sides equally, supporting neither side or expressing no opinion.

Fingerhut/Granados Opinion Research, a polling organization specializing in Democratic party and labor issues, conducted the telephone survey of 418 people between Nov. 3-17. The poll has a margin of error of plus or minus 5 percent.

Pollster Vic Fingerhut said two-thirds of those who support the workers said it was very important that the workers win the strike, and the more people knew about the strike, the more they indicated support for striking workers.

''They said that if they (management) can do this at the Daily News, they can do it anywhere.'' Fingerhut said.

He added that 40 percent of the people who routinely read the News before the strike were ''not even bothering to look for copies anymore because they can't find it.''

Robinson said research conducted by the News, which is owned by the Tribune Co., of Chicago, ''shows something completely opposite.''

A phone hotline set up to gauge readers' attitudes on the strike has indicated ''overwhelming'' support for management, Robinson said.

''Consistently, eight out of 10 callers support the Daily News and are sick and tired of the continued union violence and intimidation,'' Robinson said.

On Tuesday, a Bronx bodega was firebombed, injuring two employees slightly, and almost completely destroyed in what police said was the 196th strike-related incident reported since nine unions struck 28 days ago.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.64	9.27
Anchor Fund Inv	13.70	14.54
Delaware Mutual	16.68	17.89
Fidelity Fund	16.04	16.04
Investor Mutual	10.88	11.45
Investor Stocks	17.92	18.86
Investor Select	8.42	8.87
IDS Equity Plus	8.62	9.08
MFS Growth Stk	8.17	8.81
Nicholas Income	3.07	3.07
Utd Accumulated	6.03	6.59
United Income	16.37	17.89
Vang Wellington	16.10	16.10

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AUSTIN, Texas (NOV. 21) UPI - The Texas insurance commissioner on Wednesday ordered USLife Credit Life Insurance Co. of Schaumburg, Ill., to refund $70,000 in premium overcharges on insurance sold to customers of Lomas Bank in Dallas.

Commissioner A.W. Pogue said the overcharges were on credit disability insurance policies sold to holders of credit card accounts with Lomas Bank.

The customers were charged a higher premium rate than the rate approved by the state Board of Insurance. The refunds will be applied to customers' credit card balances.

Pogue said USLife agreed to the action, which requires the company to make the refunds in a single billing month and also pay a $4,000 forfeiture.

The overcharges, caused by the company's misunderstanding of the method for computing premiums, occurred from July 14, 1987 until March 15, 1990, he said.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 21) UPI - Pitcher Tom Browning signed a four-year agreement Wednesday with the Cincinnati Reds, but terms were not announced.

''I'm very happy that Tom is staying with the Reds,'' said club president Marge Schott.

This contract will carry him through the 1994 season, with a club owning an option for the fifth year.

Browning was 15-9 with a 3.80 ERA last year. It was his third straight year with 15 or more wins, and the 15 wins was the most for the World Champion Reds.

Browning, 30, has spent his entire professional career in the Reds organization. He was drafted in June 1982, and made his major-league debut in Los Angeles Sept. 9, 1984.

In his rookie year, 1985, he compiled a 20-9 record, the best for a Reds rookie. He earned The Sporting News National League Rookie of the Year honors.

The local baseball writers voted him the Reds' outstanding pitcher in 1985 and in 1989 when he pitched the club's only perfect game.

He owns a 93-61 career record in the majors.

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#90325u1156 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 21) UPI - The Energy Department Wednesday cleared the oil industry of profiteering from the Persian Gulf crisis following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, saying prices rose because of ''uncertainties'' over war in the region.

''Price restraint at the retail level reduced profits. There is no evidence of industry profiting during this period,'' said a report released by the department's Energy Information Administration.

''Prices for oil remained high because of uncertainties. Most of the replacement crude was coming from the Persian Gulf, primarily Saudi Arabia, which is adjacent to Kuwait. The possibility of war maintained high oil prices '' concluded the department's analysis of the first 90 days following the invasion.

However, Edwin Rothschild, representing the Washington-based consumer advocacy group Citizen Action, slammed the report, calling it a ''defense, not an explanation, of oil company profiteering.''

The government acknowledged the report was ''preliminary'' but said it did not expect a more comprehensive analysis now being prepared to ''substantially alter the trends and conclusions presented.''

Compiled in response to concerns voiced in Congress and by the general public and the press, the report also concluded that speculation by traders in future delivery contracts on the New York Mercantile Exchange did not drive prices up.

''There was no apparent increase in speculative activity, and the futures market did not contribute to the run up in prices or price volatility,'' the report said.

Last month, Amerada Hess Corp. reported it made more than $200 million in the third quarter ended Sept. 30 by trading in the futures market. Leon Hess, chairman of the New York-base company, later testified to a congressional committee that some control is needed over futures trading in oil.

The Energy Department report found that higher retail prices for gasoline and home heating oil in Japan and Europe drew imports that would normally have come to the United States, tightening U.S. markets.

But ''by November, the price differentials had disappeared and imports were returning to the United States,'' the agency said.

In addition, the report found that most of the benefit from higher prices went to those entities producing crude oil or holding large inventories.

''Most oil is owned by foreign interests, principally governments. Eighty percent of the worldwide benefit went to those outside the United States,'' thereport said.

On a related note, OPEC Listener, a respected industry newsletter, reported Wednesday that Middle East oil producers will realize a windfall of about $44 billion in extra revenue this year from the Persian Gulf crisis.

As a result of oil prices doubling since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, the New York-based publication estimated 1990 oil revenues of nations belonging to the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries at approximately $148 billion.

Saudi Arabia's revenues will rise by 68 percent - $16 billion - over 1989 to nearly $40 billion for 1990, according to the newsletter.

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(NOV 21) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Suspended				
CV REIT Inc				
Stock Split				
Durr-Fillauer Medical - 5-for-4				
Reverse Stock Split				
Script Systems Inc - 1-for-2				
Stock				
Mechanics National Bk	..	10PC	2-1	1-15
Increased				
Asset Investors Corp	Q	.50	12-24	12-10
Connecticut Water Svc	Q	.40	12-15	12-1
Reduced				
Fleet/Norstar Fncl	Q	.20	1-1	12-15
Kemper High Income Tr	M	.08 3/4	12-31	12-14
Distribution				
MSA Realty Corp	Q	.15	12-20	11-30
Tri-Continental Corp	..	1.60	12-27	11-30
Usual				
Amwest Insurance Group	Q	.07	1-15	12-31
Bairnco Corp	Q	.05	1-2	12-3
Baltimore Bancorp	Q	.15	1-1	12-14
BGS Systems Inc	Q	.15	12-21	12-5
CBN&T Financial Corp	Q	.12	12-20	12-10
Centennial Savings Bk	Q	.10	12-28	12-10
Community Bank System	Q	.19	1-10	12-14
Consolidated Rail Corp	Q	.40	12-14	11-30
Crystal Brands Inc	Q	.05	1-1	12-14
Deposit Guaranty Corp	Q	.39	1-2	12-14
Figgie Intl Inc cl-A&B	Q	.12 1/2	12-15	12-1
First Alabama Bncshrs	..	.23	1-2	12-14
First Bancorp	..	.07 1/2	1-25	12-31
First Bank System Inc	Q	.20 1/2	12-19	12-5
First Charter Corp	Q	.09	1-17	12-21
First Eastern Corp	Q	.28	1-2	12-5
First of America Bank	Q	.30	1-25	12-21
Franklin Multi-Incm Tr	M	.0895	12-14	11-30

Franklin Prncpl Mat Tr	M	.07 1/4	12-14	11-30
Franklin Universal Tr	M	.093	12-31	12-14
Huntington Bancshares	Q	.20	1-2	12-10
Interchange Fncl Svcs	Q	.17 1/2	1-18	12-20
Ivey Properties Inc	Q	.18	12-14	12-3
JLG Industries	Q	.06 1/4	1-4	12-15
Keene Corp	Q	.05	12-31	12-7
LAC Minerals Ltd	..	c-.11	12-19	12-6
Mechanics National Bk	..	.20	2-1	1-15
Sensormatic Electrncs	Q	.07 1/2	1-16	12-26
SkyWest Inc	..	.05 1/2	1-11	12-31

c-Canadian rate

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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(NOV. 21) UPI - King Fahd and U-S General Norman Schwarzkopf were among those who greeted President Bush tonight when he arrived in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, aboard Air Force One. Schwarzkopf is the man in charge of the U-S forces taking part in Operation Desert Shield. Bush began a round of meetings immediately and later told reporters that the exiled emir of Kuwait showed him photographs of actrocities being committed by Iraqi forces who invaded Kuwait. Bush described it as a ''moving and touching and horrible story.''

American officials are thought to be pressing for a United Nations resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraqi troops. The White House announced today that Bush will make an additional stop on his way back to Washington Friday... meeting with President Assad of Syria... a country sometimes viewed as a foe and sometimes viewed as an ally.

The United States exported a record 40-BILLION, 200-Million dollars worth of farm products in fiscal 1990. But the Agriculture Department says the country also posted record farm imports because of Americans' taste for exotic wine, beer, meat, fruits and vegetables. Still, the government says agriculture is a bright spot in the U-S trade picture with a trade surplus of nearly 18-BILLION dollars.

Record warm temperatures spread over the upper Mississippi Valley to the Central Plains today as parts of the West braced in the face of winter storm warnings. Highs for the day were tied or broken in Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Indiana, Alabama and Kansas... with readings between 50 and 80. But a storm warning was posted over the Cascade and Olympic mountains of Washington State. And warnings of gale winds were posted along the northern coast of Oregon.

The director of a shelter for homeless in Washington, D-C, says fewer turkeys than usual have been donated to the center this Thanksgiving. Shelter director Marsh Ward says that while Americans are generous, they have what he calls ''a limited attention span,'' and are worrying about ''t

Researchers at the Lyme Disease Clinic in Boston say that Lyme disease- like syphilis- can lie dormant in the body for years with NO symptoms. Dr. Allen Steere says it can then crop up, creating progressive nervous system problems such as memory loss. Steere says that a study of 27 people with the disease indicates that the corkscrew-shaped bacterium which causes it ''can survive latently for years in the nervous system,'' leading to problems including fatigue, sleep disorders, numbness and spinal pain.

The Thanksgiving turkey isn't even roasted yet, but some folks already are pondering their Christmas trees. The national Christmas Tree Association in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, says there is a good national supply of trees for next month... and that prices will be only a little higher than last year. The group predicts a Yule spruce will range from three-dollars 25 cents to five-dollars 25 cents a foot for retail.

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#90325u1193 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (NOV. 21) UPI - Stanley Hartt, named president and chief executive of Campeau Corp. almost two weeks ago, has been appointed a director and chairman of the troubled real estate and retail company, it was announced Wednesday.

The move was not unexpected.

Hartt replaces Robert Despres, who had been serving as interim chairman, after having earlier taken over from James D. Raymond and Gary M. Goodman, who jointly served as chief executives.

Despres, Raymond and Goodman, who continue to serve as directors on the Campeau board, were appointed on an interim basis to the office of the chief executive Aug. 10, when Robert Campeau was ousted from the company's senior management team.

Hartt, 52, has served as Prime Minister Brian Mulroney's chief of staff and as a deputy Canadian finance minister. A partner in the Stikeman Elliott law firm's Montreal office, Hartt will move to Toronto.

A multi-point strategy developed by the company's business plan advisory committee was stalled July 30, when Robert Campeau decided not to seek shareholders' approval to sell most or all of the company's Canadian real estate assets.

Two weeks later, Robert Campeau was removed as chairman and chief executive officer, but he remains a leading shareholder and a director of the company he founded more than four decades ago.

Shareholders have yet to be asked to approve a resolution that would allow the business plan's real estate asset disposal program to proceed.

Several of the company's U.S. retailing subsidiaries filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection early this year.

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#90325u1229 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 22) - SPORTS DIGEST

AUTO RACING

Star driver A.J. Foyt, who suffered serious leg injuries in a September race, says he will complete in one more Indianapolis 500 and retire after the 1991 season. Foyt has participated in a record 33 Indianpolis 500s and won four times.

BASEBALL

Mike Boddicker, a 17-game winner who wants to play closer to home, left the Boston Red Sox and signed a three-year contract with the Kansas City Royals. Boddicker is the third high-profile free-agent pitcher signed by Kansas City in the past year. Last December the Royals signed Mark Davis and Storm Davis to contracts worth a total of $19 million. ... The Detroit Tigers bolstered their lineup by signing free-agent slugger Rob Deer to a three-year contract. Deer, 30, played the last five seasons with Milwaukee. The outfielder batted .209 last season with 27 home runs and 69 RBI. ... The Reds re-signed pitcher Tom Browning to a four-year contract. He was 15-9 with a 3.80 ERA last year, his third straight season with 15 or more victories.

BOWLING

Adam Apo of the United States and Rosalino Greiner of Holland led qualifiers into the final 16 of bowling's World Cup at Bangkok, Thailand.

COLLEGE

Baylor turned down an invitation to the Independence Bowl because it is still in the running for a Cotton Bowl berth. Another factor was timing. The Independence Bowl in Shreveport, La., is Dec. 15, the day after some 60 Baylor players have final exams. ... Clemson freshman tailback Ronald Williams was named the Atlantic Coast Conference Rookie of the Year. He gained 914 yards on 164 carries and scored 10 touchdowns. ... West Virginia Wesleyan, behind two

goals from Ivar Jordal, blanked William Carey College 5-0 to win the NAIA soccer title in Boca Raton, Fla.

FOOTBALL

The Phoenix Cardinals claimed from waivers Dexter Manley, the former Washington Redskin who was reinstated by the NFL after serving a one- year drug suspension. The Redskins waived the 32-year-old defensive end Monday. The Cardinals must pay Manley for the final six games. He earns about $450,000 a year. The earliest he can play is Dec. 9 when Phoenix faces Atlanta.

GOLF

The PGA and the European Tour settled their differences over the Ryder Cup, safeguarding the future of international golf's most prestigious team tournament. The agreement ends a year of wrangling over distribution of the Ryder Cup's multimillion-dollar profits, the running of the competition and the choice of future European venues.

HOCKEY

Defenseman Mark Hardy of the New York Rangers was suspended for five games by the NHL for swining his stick at left wing Doug Evans of the Winnipeg Jets Nov. 16. The suspension will take effect in one week until the Rangers notify the league they will waive the appeal period.

LAW

Minnesota Vikings kicker Donald Igwebuike pleaded not guilty to charges of smuggling heroin from his native Nigeria into the United States. Igwebuike, 29 who remains free on $50,000 bond, entered the plea before a U.S. magistrate in Tampa, Fla. The Vikings excused him from the team until the case is resolved.

SOCCER

Nearly two months after the two Germanys became one, the two soccer federations followed suit, ending 45 years of division. The soccer merger was unanimously approved by 171 delegates at a special meeting in an opera house in Leipzig, site of the founding of the German Soccer Association in 1900.

TENNIS

The two Americans teams entered in the $1 million IBM-ATP Tour World Doubles Final won opening matches in the round-robin competition at Sanctuary Cove, Australia. Rick Leach and Jim Pugh defeated Spaniards Sergio Casal and Emilio Sanchez 6-4, 6-2, and Scott Davis and David Pate beat South Africans Neil Broad and Gary Muller 6-2, 6-2. Guy Forget of France and Jakob Hlasek of

Switzerland beat Canadians Grant Connell and Glenn Michibata 6-3, 7-6 (7-4). ... The Czechoslovakian doubles team of Helena Sukova and Jana Novotna, winners of three Grand Slam titles this year, will no longer play together. Sukova said from Prague relations between the two have deteriorated.

WINTER SPORTS

Gustav Weder, a two-time world champion from Switzerland, dominated the four-seater World Cup meeting in Winterberg, Germany. Weder leads the World Cup standings with 60 points, five ahead of Ingo Appelt of Austria.

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#90325u1237 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 21) UPI - Francois Mitterrand says France is ''ready to take part'' in talks on a United Nations resolution on the use of force against Iraq. But the French president says that does NOT mean military intervention should ''automatically'' follow. Mitterrand's statement came in response to words from Mikhail Gorbachev. The Soviet leader said the U-N Security Council should meet ''without delay'' on the Persian Gulf crisis.

U-S Attorney General Thornburgh calls Michael Milken's 10-year prison sentence ''both fair and appropriate.'' The surprisingly tough sentence was handed down on the financial wizard by a federal judge today in New York. U-S District Court Judge Kimba Wood sentenced Milken to two years each on five counts of securities and tax law violations. The man who virtually invented junk bonds was also given three years' probation on a conspiracy charge.

Macy's apparently does NOT want to let a labor dispute rain on its parade. The high-profile department store today decided to stop advertising in the New York Daily News. The announcement came one day before Macy's holds its 64th annual Thanksgiving Day Parade. The troubled tabloid is dealing with a bitter labor dispute that is now entering its second month.

Henny Youngman's agent says the comedian known for his famous line- ''Take my wife, please''- is being treated at a Manhattan hospital. Agent Lee Salomon says the 85-year-old entertainer will undergo minor surgery tomorrow. Salomon declined to reveal the nature of the treatment, saying only- ''it's NOthing serious.'' The ''king of one liners'' recently appeared in a cameo role in the movie ''GoodFellas.''

Workers secured the site of an excavation cave-in near the White House today. Crews still are laboring to repair cut telephone and power lines. Officials say the collapsed sides of the 50-foot-deep construction pit was shored up with mounds of dirt shoveled into the hole by bulldozers. The repair job allowed United Press International to move back into its headquarters... which were evacuated after the cave- in Monday night.

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#90325u1274 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

IRVINE, CA (NOV. 21) UPI - F. Sherwood Rowland, the chemist who helped alert the world that the precious ozone layer was being depleted by aerosol sprays, has been elected president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Rowland, 63, the Bren Professor of Chemistry at the University of California, Irvine, was one of two candidates for the post and was elected by the organization's Board of Directors, the group announced Wednesday. The AAAS is the largest general science association in the world.

In his candidacy statement to board members, Rowland urged international scientific cooperation, particularly in regard to the environment.

''The deterioration of the environment is not intrinsically a fundamental problem of science, it is a fundamental problem of civilization and therefore an important problem for science,'' he said.

Rowland is best known for his joint discovery in 1973 with Dr. Mario Molina, that the Earth's stratospheric ozone layer could be depleted by chlorofluorocarbons, or CFCs, used in refrigeration, foam blowing and cleaning electronic components.

The finding eventually led to a ban on the chemical propellants in aerosol sprays in the United States and other countries and subsequent international agreements to begin limiting the production and use of CFCs.

Rowland, who has been associated with the University of California's Irvine campus since 1964, also criticized the propensity of the federal government to fund multimillion-dollar scientific research projects at the expense of smaller-scale efforts.

''The increasing tendency to focus on giant initiatives instead of on the individual investigator is of great concern to me,'' Rowland said. ''I persist in believing that most good new ideas come from individuals rather than giant combines.''

He was specifically critical of the multibillion-dollar Superconducting Super Collider, which was awarded to scientists in Dallas, Texas.

''Some giant projects ... are not, in terms of funding, scientific decisions at all, but political ones,'' he said. ''It is the promise of creating jobs in the Dallas area more than any anticipated scientific results that is motivating the expenditures.''

Rowland has received numerous awards and honors, including the 1989 Japan

Prize, that country's equivalent to the Nobel.

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#90325u1288 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (NOV. 21) UPI - Layoffs have continued to hit at Southern California aerospace companies, faced with tightened defense spending and a slowing economy.

Spokesmen for Litton Industries Inc. and Rockwell International Corp. said that, despite no formal announcements of the cuts, their companies have made reductions of about 750 jobs.

And a third company, McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co., has placed a hiring freeze on its 2,000-employee work force because of cuts to the budget of Space Station Freedom project.

The McDonnell Douglas unit, prime contractor on the space station, has ordered a 90-day review of operations that should be completed by early next year, spokeswoman Ann McCauley said.

The review resulted from Congress telling the National Aeronautics and Space Administration last month to cut $6 billion from the $37 billion space station budget over the next six years.

Litton has cut about 600 jobs from its 6,000-employee work force in Southern California since October 1989. About 400 cuts came at its Guidance Systems Division in Woodland Hills, and 150 at its Data Systems Division in Van Nuys.

''We're not doing this because we've lost programs,'' said Litton spokesman Robert Knapp. ''We're doing it because the marketplace is tightening, so we need to be leaner and more competitive.''

''Unfortunately, that involves reducing the number of jobs,'' Knapp said.

Similarly, Rockwell's Rocketdyne division in Canoga Park has reduced union employees at its facility there by 161 since June, officials said this week.

Knapp pointed out that the numbers for Litton are small by comparison to other companies in Southern California - the nation's leading area for aerospace and high-technology jobs, estimated at 375,000.

TRW Inc. recently disclosed that it had cut about 1,000 jobs this year from its Southern California work force of about 15,600, producing about 500 layoffs.

Northrop Corp.'s announced at the company's May shareholders meeting that it was cutting about 3,000 jobs this year. Also, the company recently said that

it would close a missile operations plant in Newbury Park next year, a move that will cut another 800 jobs.

Lockheed Corp. said in the spring that it would move its aircraft- building operations out of Burbank and transfer most of the work to Marietta, Ga., resulting in job cuts of about 4,000.

The biggest cuts have come at Douglas Aircraft Co., which operates a huge assembly plant in Long Beach with nearly 40,000 employees and another facility in Torrance. Cuts at Douglas, a unit of St. Louis-based McDonnell Douglas, are expected to hit 8,000 by the end of the year.

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#90325u1296 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 21) UPI - State Farm, the leading auto insurance seller in California, said Wednesday it plans to lower most rates for drivers with good records and sharply boost premiums for bad drivers.

State Farm, which carries about 3.3 million policies in California, is expecting the moves to be approved by state regulators in time to go into effect by January 1, spokesman William Sirola said.

The rate changes, if approved by the state's Department of Insurance, would be designed to reflect the intent of long-stalled insurance reform measure Proposition 103, approved more than two years ago by the state's voters to cut rates for good drivers and eliminate zip-code rating.

''We think that our plan is in compliance with Proposition 103,'' Cirola said.

The Department fo Insurance was not immediately available for comment as to whether it will approve State Farm's proposal.

Since State Farm has about an 18-percent share of the California auto insurance market - the biggest in the nation - its move to lower rates could signal that other insurers will do likewise.

The implementation of Proposition 103 has been snarled in court battles, as insurers have effectively blocked provisions providing for a 20-percent rate rollback and a 20-percent good driver discount. Court decisions on both are on appeal.

State Farm's overall rates for good drivers in Central and South Los Angeles - which has long carried higher rates than other areas - would be cut by 7 percent, Cirola said. However, good-driver rates in some areas, such as the San Gabriel Valley, will increase slightly, he said.

Rates for bad drivers, defined as those with two or more violations or one

at-fault accident over the past three years, could go up by as much as a third.

But the insurer, which is headquartered in Bloomington, Ill., declined to reveal further details.

The proposals drew immediate fire from Harvey Rosenfield, who authored Proposition 103 and heads Los Angeles-based reform group Voter Revolt.

Rosenfield said he was ''disturbed'' at State Farm's lack of full disclosure of its pricing proposal since it may not be in compliance.

Rosenfield has repeatedly blasted Insurance Commissioner Roxani Gillespie, who will be replaced by newly elected commissioner John Garamendi in January, for foot-dragging on the measure's implementation.

''I'm very suspicious of what could be a last-minute deal by Gillespie, because insurance companies have managed to avoid complying with most of the regulations,'' Rosenfield said.

The measure was designed to create a structure under which the first three measures used for rate-setting, in descending order of importance, would be driving record, mileage and years of experience.

It also provided for the abolition of territorial-based rating, but Gillespie has replaced that with pricing zones that are based on the costs and frequency of claims. Consumer advocates have also appealed those new regulations.

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#90325u1301 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. (NOV. 21) UPI - Troubled FarWest Financial Corp., hit by large declines in all its investments, reported Friday a huge third-quarter loss of $89.8 million, heightening the possibility that its 28- branch thrift will be seized by federal regulators.

FarWest's loss compared with a $22.9 million loss for the year-ago quarter, while its nine-month loss was $119.7 million, compared with $6.6 million in the year-ago period.

The parent company said Friday that the loss stemmed from previously announced loss provisions of $42.7 million in loans, $22.3 for real estate investments and $26.8 million in the value of its junk bonds.

The disclosure by the parent of FarWest Savings and Loan Association is the latest in a long string of bad news coming from California thrifts. Many of which have either been seized, such as Imperial Savings of San Diego and Mercury Savings of Huntington Beach, while others, such as Columbia Savings, are on the verge of being taken over.

The company, with assets of $3.54 billion, also disclosed that it is insolvent with a shareholders' deficit of $23 million as of Sept. 30. A year ago, shareholders' equity was $136.1 million.

FarWest is best known as the U.S. flagship for the Belzberg brothers of Canada - Samuel, Hyman and William, who is chairman of the board. Through it, they became well known as takeover strategists during the 1980s, making runs at a number of companies, such as Gulf Oil, Blue Bell, H.H. Robertson, Ashland Oil and Southland Corp.

In a number of cases, FarWest was able to profit from selling off the stock of those companies at a premium. The company also invested heavily in junk bonds, with about 14 percent of its $4.8 billion in assets invested in that manner as of August 1989.

However, with federal thrift bailout legislation requiring divestment of all junk bonds by 1994, the value of portfolio has plunged since then.

FarWest, which had been highly profitable, lost $46.1 million last year and began writing down the value of the junk bonds from $667 million to $395 million as of June 30.

Last August, thrift regulators slapped strict operating restrictions on the thrift, prohibiting any asset sale, purchase or loan without regulatory approval. It no longer has enough capital to meet regulatory requirements and regulators have already rejected a previously submitted recovery plan.

FarWest said Friday that it is formulating another plan.

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#90325u1311 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (NOV. 21) UPI - The nation's sales of electronics products and services rose 4 percent in the first nine months of the year, but orders in September dropped from the year-earlier period, the American Electronics Association reported Wednesday.

Total sales through September grew to $225.4 billion from $216.8 billion in the first nine months of the year, the trade group said. For the entire year, sales are expected to reach $307 billion, up 4 percent from $295 billion in 1989.

In September, sales edged up to $29.3 billion from $28.9 billion, but orders slipped to $28.9 billion from $30 billion in the year-earlier period.

September was the seventh consecutive months that new orders trailed sales, indicating an industry downturn, the trade group said.

''The industry sales and orders in September are consistent with a generally sluggish economy,'' said J. Richard Iverson, AEA president and chief executive officer. ''In fact, September was only the third month since March 1987 that new orders were lower than in the same month of the previous year.''

Third-quarter sales grew 3.1 percent to $75.7 billion from $73.4 billion in the third quarter of 1989, while orders crept up marginally to $73.6 billion from $73.2 billion in the year-earlier period, the AEA said.

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#90325u1327 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (NOV. 21) UPI - The Detroit Tigers bolstered their hitting lineup Wednesday, signing free agent outfielder Rob Deer to a three-year contract.

Deer, 30, played the last five seasons with the Milwaukee Brewers. The financial terms were not disclosed.

The right-hander batted .209 in 134 games last season with 27 home runs and 69 RBI. Deer's best year was 1988 when he hit .252 with 23 homers and 85 RBI.

In the last five seasons, Deer has totaled 385 RBI and averaged 27 homers. He started his career in 1984 with the San Francisco Giants.

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(NOV. 22) - THURSDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Chicago (NL) - Signed free-agent pitcher Danny Jackson to a 4-year contract.

Cincinnati - Signed pitcher Tom Browning to a 4-year contract.

Detroit - Signed outfielder Rob Deer to a 3- year contract.

Kansas City - Signed free-agent pitcher Mike Boddicker to a 3-year contract.

St. Louis - Added right-handers Mark Clark and John Ericks; infielders Luis Alicea, Mike Ross, Bien Figueroa and Stab Royer; first baseman Joey Fernandez; and outfielder Lonnie Maclin.

BASKETBALL

San Jose (CBA) - Signed forward Kenny McClary and Kelby Stuckey; activated guard Marchell Henry; placed forward John Trezvant on injured reserve; waived

center Marvin Branch, forwards Ray Foster and Ed Catchings.

FOOTBALL

Detroit - Waived defensive end Ray Seals; activated kicker Eddie Murray.

New England - Put LB Johnny Rembert on injured reserve; signed free-agent WR Patrick Coleman.

Phoenix - Claimed off waivers defensive end Dexter Manley.

HOCKEY

Detroit - Signed defenseman Rick Zombo to a three-year contract.

NHL - Suspended defenseman Mark Hardy of New York Rangers for five games for swinging his stick at Winnipeg's Doug Evans.

St. Louis - Assigned goaltender Guy Hebert and center Michel Mongeau to Peoria (Ill.) of the International Hockey League; recalled center Nelson Emerson from Peoria under emergency conditions.

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#90325u1500 11/21/1990 ~United Press International

QUEBEC (NOV. 21) UPI - Soviet defenseman Alexei Gusarov will join the Quebec Nordiques during the first week in December, the team announced Wednesday.

Team president Marcel Aubut obtained Gusarov's release from the Red Army after negotiations in Moscow with the Soviet Ice Hockey Federation. Gusarov was signed to a 4-year contract, but no monetary details were released.

The 6-foot-2, 180-pound, left-shooting defenseman was drafted by the Nordiques in the eleventh round of the 1988 draft, the 213th pick overall. The 26-year-old Leningrad native is the youngest hockey player ever to be released from army service.

Valeri Kamensky, a 24-year-old forward who the Nordiques also have the rights to, apparently will not be available before the 1992 winter Olympics in Albertville, France.

The addition of Gusarov explains why the Nordiques felt they could trade defenseman Michel Petit to Toronto.

Gusarov will become available as soon as he receives a Canadian work permit and his official discharge from the Red Army.

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#90325u1511 11/21/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 21) UPI - Tomorrow, President Bush becomes the first president to visit front- line U-S troops since Richard Nixon's trip to South Vietnam in 1969. Bush arrived in Saudi Arabia today, beginning a series of meetings with Middle East leaders. On Thanksgiving Day, Bush will visit Americans at two encampments in the Saudi desert... and attend a service aboard a warship in the Persian Gulf.

Discussions on the crisis in the Persian Gulf will also reportedly be taking place in Iraq. Cairo radio says Mohammed Ali arrived in Baghdad today for a meeting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. The former heavyweight boxing champion who converted to Islam says Saddam invited him to Iraq's capital. Washington has advised American citizens to stay away from Iraq.

The government says a court should NOT decide whether President Bush has the authority to send troops to the Persian Gulf without congressional approval. The Justice Department says the question of whether or NOT the United States is on the verge of war is a political question. The arguments came in response to a lawsuit that claims Bush has violated the 1973 War Powers Act.

Controversies continue more than 11 years after the accident at the Three Mile Island nuclear power plant in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. State officials say they will NOT further delay the evaporation of several Million gallons of slightly radioactive water from the partial meltdown at the plant. An anti-nuclear group objected to the decision, calling it ''short-sighted.''

Police in Rolling Meadows, Illinois, say murder charges are pending against a father already charged with aggravated battery in his son's death. Prosecutors say David McGuigan violently shook his 49-day-old son because the infant would NOT stop crying. But defense attorneys say McGuigan accidentally dropped the baby and the fatal shaking came while he was trying to revive him with C-P-R.

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#90326b0005 11/22/1990 ~Business Wire
LONDON (NOV. 22) BUSINESS WIRE - British Gas (NYSE:BRG) today announced that for the first half of fiscal year 1990/91 ended September 30, 1990 sales were 2.955 billion pounds sterling, compared with 2.754 billion pounds for the similar period last year.

On a historical cost accounting basis, net profit for the first six months of fiscal 1990/91 was 24 million pounds, compared with 2 million pounds for the first half last year.

When adjusted to conform to US and Canadian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), net profit was 140 million pounds, compared with 109 million pounds.

On a GAAP basis, earnings per American Depositary Share (ADS) were 33 pence for the first half of fiscal 1990/91, compared with 26 pence for the similar period last year. (Ten ordinary shares of British Gas stock are equivalent to one ADS. On September 30, 1990 the exchange rate was $1.8735 to 1 pound sterling.)

The company said investors should remember that sales and profits from its main business--the sale of gas for heating purposes--are seasonal and are mostly generated in the second half of the fiscal year. Keeping this in mind, net profits on a US and Canadian GAAP-adjusted basis for the most recent 12 months ended September 30, 1990 were 1.160 billion pounds, compared with 1.066 Billion pounds for the prior 12 month period.

The Board of Directors of British Gas are recommending an interim dividend of 3.75 pence per share for the first half of 1990/91, a 17.2 percent increase over the corresponding period last year. This reflects last year's decision to increase the payout ratio and the Directors' confidence in the continuing development of the Company.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers.

British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore. Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to ten ordinary shares.

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#90326c0001 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 005

GROUP LED BY ALLEN HOLDING INC OWNS 2,838,159 SHARES (17.50%) OF IMRE CORP (TICKER: IMRE) OF SEATTLE, WA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION: The filers bought 2,166,667 shares between Oct. 30 and

Nov. 6, 1990 for $.50 to $.60 each.

PURPOSE: Investment.

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#90326c0002 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CM CAPITAL CORP OWNS 481,986 SHARES (5.00%) OF IMPACT SYSTEMS INC (TICKER: MPAC) OF SAN JOSE, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE: Investment.

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#90326c0003 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 001

JOHN RHODES HAVERTY OWNS 174,672 SHARES (7.10%) OF HAVERTY FURNITURE COS INC (TICKER: HAVT) OF ATLANTA, GA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: The filer received an option to purchase 2,000 shares on Oct. 31 1990.

PURPOSE: Receipt of options under option plan.

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#90326c0005 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 003

GROUP LED BY PETER CUNDHILL & ASSOCIATES BERMUDA LTD OF GROUP LED BY OWNS 532,400 SHARES (12.10%) OF OPPENHEIMER INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: OPP) OF SANTA MONICA, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION: The filers purchased 132,400 shares from Oct. 10 to Nov. 8 1990 for $.47 to $.63 per share and sold 10,000 shares on Oct. 18, 1990 for

$.63 per share.

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#90326c0008 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY WILLIAM ADAMSON OWNS 556,050 SHARES (5.18%) OF VENTREX LABORATORIES INC (TICKER: VTRX) OF PORTLAND, ME.

ANNOUNCEMENT: No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION: The filers purchased 60,000 shares on Oct. 18, 1990 for $25,103.

PURPOSE: For investment.

-30- 509
#90326c0009 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY ERNST OHNELL OWNS 109,000 SHARES (5.90%) OF THE EASTERN CO (TICKER: EML) OF NAUGATUCK, CT.

ANNOUNCEMENT: On Nov. 19, 1990, Mr. Ohnell submitted a shareholder proposal to the issuer requesting that the shareholders recommend to the board at the 1991 annual meeting that the board take steps to sell Eastern.

LATEST TRANSACTION: The filers purchased 17,443 shares from Oct. 12 to Nov. 19 1990 for $15.13 to $16 per share.

PURPOSE: For investment.

-30- 669
#90326c0010 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY HOWARD A NEWMAN OF GROUP LED BY OWNS 126,567 SHARES (5.39%) OF MEDALIST INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: MDIN) OF MILWAUKEE, WI.

ANNOUNCEMENT: No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION: From Oct. 4, through Nov. 12, 1990, the filers purchased $55,000 par value debentures for a total price of $39,806.25 and 42,000 shares at a total price of $377,000.

PURPOSE: Investment.

-30- 606
#90326c0011 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 010

GROUP LED BY DEYA SA OF OWNS 4,176,219 SHARES (15.80%) OF SIGNET BANKING CORP (TICKER: SBK) OF RICHMOND, VA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Corporacion Financiera Alba, S.A. no longer owns beneficially or of record any shares of common stock of the company.

LATEST TRANSACTION: On Oct. 24, 1990 Corporacion Financiera Alba S.A. sold its 1,122,260 shares of the common stock of the company to Deya, S.A. at a price of $10.13 per share.

-30- 623
#90326c0012 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY TWEEDY BROWN CO LP OF GROUP LED BY OWNS 422,775 SHARES (6.05%) OF INDEPENDENT INSURANCE GROUP INC (TICKER: INDHK) OF JACKSONVILLE, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT: No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION: From Sept. 21 through Nov. 16, 1990, the filers purchased 152,905 shares at a price of $14.47 to $17.50 per share and sold 3,840 shares at a price of $15.21 to $16.56 per share.

PURPOSE: Investment.

-30- 658
#90326c0013 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 015

GROUP LED BY ROBERT T SHAW OF LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY OWNS 19,543,916 SHARES (22.50%) OF FIRST EXECUTIVE CORP (TICKER: FEXC) OF LOS ANGELES, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase on or before Oct. 9 1992, one-half share of FEC common stock at an exercise price of $15 per share. Item 2 has been amended to delete Constitution Life Insurance co. as a party filing this schedule 13d.

LATEST TRANSACTION: On Oct. 11, 1990, pursuant to a reinsurance agreement effective Aug. 1, 1990, Modern American Life Insurance Co. acquired 1,157,625 shares of common stock of First Executive Corp. from CLIC and 347,287 warrants from CLIC at a price of $2.75 per share and $.031 per warrant, respectively.

PURPOSE: Acquisition of shares.

-30- 964
#90326c0015 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

NANOMETRICS INC OF SUNNYVALE, CA OWNS 5,253,429 SHARES (54.80%) OF OPTICAL SPECIALTIES INC (TICKER: H.OSIX) OF FREMONT, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT: On Nov. 9, 1990, Nanometrics, Nanometrics Acquisition Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Nanometrics, and OSI signed an agreement and plan of reorganization dated Nov. 9, 1990 which provides for the merger of Sub into OSI. In consideration for Nanometrics entering into the reorganization agreement, OSI and Nanometrics entered into a stock option agreement, whereby OSI granted Nanometrics an option to purchase up to 5,253,429 shares of OSI common stock at a per share exercise price of $.03756.

PURPOSE: An agreement and plan of reorganization (merger).

-30- 908
#90326c0016 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 002

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC OWNS 1,745,488 SHARES (8.21%) OF TRINITY INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: TRN) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT: No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION: From Nov. 7 through Nov. 19, 1990, the filers purchased 193,200 shares at a price of $16 to $17.35 per share; sold 1,700 shares at a price of $16.75 to $17 per share; and purchased 47 convertible debentures at a price of $68.50 each.

-30- 628
#90326c0017 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOE G BROOKS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADVANCED ENVIRONMENTAL RECYCLING TECH INC. (TICKER: AERT), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $1.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,750.

-30- 407
#90326c0018 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, HERBERT D SIMS, DIR. OF ALFA CORP. (TICKER: ALFA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,175.

-30- 289
#90326c0019 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, STEWART D BLAIR, DIR. OF AMERICAN MOBILE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AMSE), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90326c0020 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, ERNEST GEORGE SIDDONS, OFFICER OF AMPCO-PITTSBURGH CORP. (TICKER: AP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,833.

-30- 330
#90326c0021 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOSEPH P ALLEN, DIR. OF ARVIN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ARV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90326c0023 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOSEPH P ALLEN, DIR. OF ARVIN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ARV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,390.

-30- 299
#90326c0024 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, JAMES D CLOONAN, PRES. OF ATHEY PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: ATPC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90326c0025 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JAMES D CLOONAN, PRES. OF ATHEY PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: ATPC), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $4.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,412.

-30- 311
#90326c0026 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, HARRIET BENSON, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 1,177 SHARES AT $36.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,987.

-30- 289
#90326c0027 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PIETER P BONSEN, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 1,312 SHARES AT $36.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,664.

-30- 292
#90326c0028 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GARY V FULSCHER, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 1,025 SHARES AT $36.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,615.

-30- 294
#90326c0029 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, MARTIN S GERSTEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 1,786 SHARES AT $36.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,420.

-30- 324
#90326c0031 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, ARNOLD KAUFMAN, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 205 SHARES AT $36.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,519.

-30- 284
#90326c0032 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, EDWARD L MANDELL, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 1,455 SHARES AT $36.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,106.

-30- 294
#90326c0033 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JANE E SHAW, PRES. OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 1,532 SHARES AT $36.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,574.

-30- 292
#90326c0034 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, FELIX THEEUWES, VP OF ALZA CORP. (TICKER: AZA), SOLD 1,307 SHARES AT $36.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,843.

-30- 291
#90326c0035 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, CHARLES G STERNER, VP OF BALTIMORE BANCORP. (TICKER:

BBB), SOLD 571 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,889.

-30- 308
#90326c0036 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, LESTER M ALBERTHAL, DIR. OF BAKER HUGHES INC. (TICKER: BHI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 738.

-30- 309
#90326c0037 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JOSEPH P GEMMELL, PRES. OF BANKERS CORP. (TICKER: BKCO), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90326c0039 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, RAFAEL MENDEZ, DIR. OF BANKERS CORP. (TICKER: BKCO), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 298
#90326c0040 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, EUGENE J TYRRELL, DIR. OF BANKERS CORP. (TICKER: BKCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90326c0041 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, EUGENE J TYRRELL, DIR. OF BANKERS CORP. (TICKER: BKCO), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90326c0042 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, EUGENE J TYRRELL, DIR. OF BANKERS CORP. (TICKER: BKCO),

BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90326c0043 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, EUGENE J TYRRELL, DIR. OF BANKERS CORP. (TICKER: BKCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,321.

-30- 305
#90326c0044 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 27, 1990, SEAN F LEE, PRES. OF BUILDERS EXPRESS INC. (TICKER: BLDX), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90326c0045 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, SEAN F LEE, PRES. OF BUILDERS EXPRESS INC. (TICKER: BLDX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 313
#90326c0047 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, BANKERS TRUST NY CORP TTE ESIP, BEN. OWNER OF BANKERS TRUST NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: BT), BOUGHT 44,505 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90326c0048 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0049 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0050 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0051 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0052 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $7.84 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0053 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $7.42 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0055 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0056 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0057 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0058 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0059 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0060 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0061 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0063 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 17,300 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0064 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0065 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0066 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0067 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0068 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0069 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0071 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0072 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0073 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0074 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90326c0075 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 24,000 SHARES AT $4.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0076 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0077 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90326c0079 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0080 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0081 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0082 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0083 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0084 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0085 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0087 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0088 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0089 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90326c0090 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0091 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0092 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0093 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0095 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 15,700 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0096 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0097 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90326c0098 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $4.86 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0099 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 33,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0100 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0101 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 10,400 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0103 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0104 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 6,600 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0105 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0106 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0107 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 38,000 SHARES AT $5.55 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0108 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0109 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 37,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0111 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 8,370 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0112 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 17,371 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0113 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 4,332 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0114 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 37,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0115 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0116 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 9,873 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90326c0117 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0119 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 36,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90326c0120 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 5,580 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,107,445.

-30- 367
#90326c0121 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, LUCIA P KITTREDGE, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: CBNH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,391.

-30- 327
#90326c0122 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 01, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, TTEE OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $38.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90326c0123 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 02, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, TTEE OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $38.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90326c0124 11/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 05, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, TTEE OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 21,000 SHARES AT $38.49 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90326c0125 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 06, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, TTEE OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $38.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90326c0127 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 09, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, TTEE OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90326c0128 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 15, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, TTEE OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90326c0129 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 20, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, TTEE OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90326c0130 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 21, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, TTEE OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $36.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90326c0131 11/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 22, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, TTEE OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $36.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90326c0132 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 26, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, TTEE OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $36.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90326c0133 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 27, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, TTEE OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,815,690.

-30- 363
#90326c0135 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 30, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, TTEE OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $33.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,806,031.

-30- 358
#90326c0136 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ROBERT L RICE, DIR. OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), SOLD 350 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 309
#90326c0137 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90326c0138 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90326c0139 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 80,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90326c0140 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90326c0141 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90326c0143 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90326c0144 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90326c0145 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90326c0146 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90326c0147 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90326c0148 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90326c0149 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90326c0151 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90326c0152 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, WILLIAM L MAROCCO, SHAREHOLDER OF CHIPS & TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CHPS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 115,000.

-30- 347
#90326c0153 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, GLENN E DAVIS, VP OF CML GROUP INC. (TICKER: CML), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,639.

-30- 296
#90326c0154 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, ROSS JONES, DIR. OF CML GROUP INC. (TICKER: CML), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90326c0155 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ROSS JONES, DIR. OF CML GROUP INC. (TICKER: CML), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,360.

-30- 290
#90326c0156 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, GEORGE BUGLIARELLO, DIR. OF COMTECH INC. (TICKER: CMTL), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,000.

-30- 307
#90326c0157 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JOE E DAVIS, DIR. OF COMTECH INC. (TICKER: CMTL), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,000.

-30- 296
#90326c0159 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, GERARD R NOCITA, OFFICER OF COMTECH INC. (TICKER: CMTL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 307
#90326c0160 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, SOL S WEINER, DIR. OF COMTECH INC. (TICKER: CMTL), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,000.

-30- 299
#90326c0161 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, J STANLEY SHAW, DIR. OF COMMUNITY NATIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CNB), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90326c0162 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, J STANLEY SHAW, DIR. OF COMMUNITY NATIONAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90326c0163 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CAMPBELL SOUP CO, BEN. OWNER OF CAMPBELL SOUP CO. (TICKER: CPB), BOUGHT 291 SHARES AT $49.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,269.

-30- 327
#90326c0164 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, VICTOR ZACCAGLIN, CHAIRMAN OF CALPROP CORP. (TICKER: CPP), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

1,564,162.

-30- 315
#90326c0165 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, STEPHEN A OLLENDORFF, DIR. OF COMPUTER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: CPRD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90326c0167 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, MICHAEL L HACKWORTH, PRES. OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 247,737.

-30- 321
#90326c0168 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, CAROL WHITFIELD, OFFICER OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,913.

-30- 313
#90326c0169 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WILLIAM F GOROG, DIR. OF C&S/SOVRAN CORP. (TICKER: CVN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $17.54 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,768.

-30- 307
#90326c0170 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ANDREW H HINES JR, DIR. OF C&S/SOVRAN CORP. (TICKER: CVN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 311
#90326c0171 11/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, REGINALD D DICKSON, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), SOLD 180 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90326c0172 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, REGINALD D DICKSON, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), SOLD 485 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90326c0173 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, REGINALD D DICKSON, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), SOLD 450 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,144.

-30- 323
#90326c0175 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, PHILIP A LLOYD, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP. OF OHIO (TICKER: FBOH), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,603.

-30- 327
#90326c0176 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, ALAN G SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF FIRST COLONIAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: FCOL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 343
#90326c0177 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RAPHAEL S ARONSON, DIR. OF FIRST HARRISBURG BANCOR INC. (TICKER: FFHP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,850.

-30- 332
#90326c0178 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, J DOUGLAS BERRY, DIR. OF FIRST HARRISBURG BANCOR INC. (TICKER: FFHP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,700.

-30- 328
#90326c0179 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, SYDNEY D CAPLAN, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST HARRISBURG BANCOR INC. (TICKER: FFHP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,650.

-30- 338
#90326c0180 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, BRUCE S ISAACMAN, DIR. OF FIRST HARRISBURG BANCOR INC. (TICKER: FFHP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,250.

-30- 332
#90326c0181 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, BRUCE S ISAACMAN, DIR. OF FIRST HARRISBURG BANCOR INC. (TICKER: FFHP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90326c0183 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ROBERT D TREWHELLA, PRES. OF FIRST HARRISBURG BANCOR INC. (TICKER: FFHP), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90326c0184 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, ROBERT D TREWHELLA, PRES. OF FIRST HARRISBURG BANCOR INC. (TICKER: FFHP), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90326c0185 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, ROBERT D TREWHELLA, PRES. OF FIRST HARRISBURG BANCOR INC. (TICKER: FFHP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,975.

-30- 338
#90326c0186 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, JOHN L NOLTING, DIR. OF FIRST FRANKLIN CORP. (TICKER: FFHS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 319
#90326c0187 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 25, 1989, THOMAS H SIEMERS, PRES. OF FIRST FRANKLIN CORP. (TICKER: FFHS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90326c0188 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 02, 1989, THOMAS H SIEMERS, PRES. OF FIRST FRANKLIN CORP. (TICKER: FFHS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90326c0189 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1989, THOMAS H SIEMERS, PRES. OF FIRST FRANKLIN CORP. (TICKER: FFHS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283

#90326c0191 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 06, 1990, THOMAS H SIEMERS, PRES. OF FIRST FRANKLIN CORP. (TICKER: FFHS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90326c0192 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 24, 1990, THOMAS H SIEMERS, PRES. OF FIRST FRANKLIN CORP. (TICKER: FFHS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90326c0193 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 03, 1990, THOMAS H SIEMERS, PRES. OF FIRST FRANKLIN CORP. (TICKER: FFHS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90326c0194 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 11, 1990, THOMAS H SIEMERS, PRES. OF FIRST FRANKLIN CORP. (TICKER: FFHS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90326c0195 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, THOMAS H SIEMERS, PRES. OF FIRST FRANKLIN CORP. (TICKER: FFHS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,241.

-30- 319
#90326c0196 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, BURKE F GUMBINER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FHP INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FHPC), SOLD 48,600 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 251,742.

-30- 346
#90326c0197 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, PAT VITACOLONNA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FHP INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FHPC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,000.

-30- 344
#90326c0199 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOHN J BROGAN, DIR. OF FLAGLER BANK CORP. (TICKER: FLGL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 303
#90326c0200 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, TRUDE C TAYLOR JR, DIR. OF FIRST SEISMIC CORP. (TICKER: FSEI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.48 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90326c0201 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, TRUDE C TAYLOR JR, DIR. OF FIRST SEISMIC CORP. (TICKER: FSEI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.60 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90326c0202 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, TRUDE C TAYLOR JR, DIR. OF FIRST SEISMIC CORP. (TICKER: FSEI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.35 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90326c0203 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, TRUDE C TAYLOR JR, DIR. OF FIRST SEISMIC CORP. (TICKER: FSEI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

11,000.

-30- 317
#90326c0204 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, IRWIN SELINGER, CHAIRMAN OF GRAHAM-FIELD HEALTH PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: GFI), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,722,763.

-30- 345
#90326c0205 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, GLENFED DIRECTORS STK AQC PLAN TR, BEN. OWNER OF GLENFED INC. (TICKER: GLN), BOUGHT 1,140 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90326c0207 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, GLENFED DIRECTORS STK AQC PLAN TR, BEN. OWNER OF GLENFED INC. (TICKER: GLN), BOUGHT 113 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,074.

-30- 348
#90326c0208 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, EDWARD J VOZZELLA, OFFICER OF GROSSMAN'S INC. (TICKER: GROS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 317
#90326c0209 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90326c0210 11/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90326c0211 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, EFFIE H KAMON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 331
#90326c0212 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ROBERT B KAMON, PRES. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90326c0213 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, ROBERT B KAMON, PRES. OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ROYALTY & OIL INC. (TICKER: GTRO), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,357,636.

-30- 350
#90326c0215 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ROBERT J STIEHL JR, SHAREHOLDER OF HAMPTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HAI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,186.

-30- 324
#90326c0216 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, CLINTON O HOLDBROOKS, SHAREHOLDER OF THE COLONIAL BANCGROUP INC. (TICKER: CLBG), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $6.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,580.

-30- 350
#90326c0217 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, PURSER L MCLEOD JR, OFFICER OF THE COLONIAL BANCGROUP INC. (TICKER: CLBG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,163.

-30- 336
#90326c0218 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JAMES E SCHIERLOH, CHAIRMAN OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,064.

-30- 304
#90326c0219 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, DOUGLAS J HERBST, VP OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90326c0220 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, DOUGLAS J HERBST, VP OF HAWTHORNE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HTHR), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,589.

-30- 320
#90326c0221 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, BRUCE MCNALL, DIR. OF HOLLYWOOD PARK REALTY ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: HTRF), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $32.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,300.

-30- 346
#90326c0223 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CHARLES E WAGGNER, DIR. OF HOMETOWN BANCORP. (TICKER: HTWN), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 96,898.

-30- 319
#90326c0224 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, HERVE MICHEL PINET, DIR. OF IMCERA GROUP INC. (TICKER: IMA), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $59.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 306
#90326c0225 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, FLOYD HALL, DIR. OF JAMESWAY CORP. (TICKER: JMY), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 280,000.

-30- 297
#90326c0226 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WALTER H HARVEY, VP OF JAMESWAY CORP. (TICKER: JMY), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 297
#90326c0227 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WALTER H HARVEY, VP OF JAMESWAY CORP. (TICKER: JMY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 299
#90326c0228 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90326c0229 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90326c0231 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90326c0232 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90326c0233 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90326c0234 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90326c0235 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90326c0236 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 278
#90326c0237 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, HARRY W MARGOLIS, CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTRAC INC. (TICKER: LLB), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,657,296.

-30- 315
#90326c0239 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, MCKESSON CORP PSIP, BEN. OWNER OF MCKESSON CORP. (TICKER: MCK), SOLD 1,806 SHARES AT $43.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90326c0240 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, WARREN H HABER, CHAIRMAN OF THE MEADOW GROUP INC. (TICKER: MDOW), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 190,000.

-30- 325
#90326c0241 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, BEN O HOWELL, DIR. OF MERRY LAND & INVESTMENT CO. (TICKER: MERY), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $4.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,003.

-30- 325
#90326c0242 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MICHAEL J PAULUCCI, BEN. OWNER OF MEDICAL GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MGCC), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 262,000.

-30- 338
#90326c0243 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JAMES M EUBANKS, DIV. OFFICER OF NATIONAL DATA CORP. (TICKER: NDTA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,091.

-30- 328
#90326c0244 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOHN F TALLMAN, VP OF NEUROGEN CORP. (TICKER: NRGN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124,570.

-30- 300
#90326c0245 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, HENRY E HOLLEY, DIR. OF PALFED INC. (TICKER: PALM), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,600.

-30- 293
#90326c0247 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, HENRY E HOLLEY, DIR. OF PALFED INC. (TICKER: PALM), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90326c0248 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, HENRY E HOLLEY, DIR. OF PALFED INC. (TICKER: PALM), BOUGHT 1,175 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,600.

-30- 297
#90326c0249 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, HENRY E HOLLEY, DIR. OF PALFED INC. (TICKER: PALM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,600.

-30- 297
#90326c0250 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 14, 1990, WALTER J LISS, DIR. OF PEOPLES SAVINGS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PBNB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,734.

-30- 337
#90326c0251 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, EDWIN I GRINBERG, DIR. OF PSICOR INC. (TICKER: PCOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 300
#90326c0252 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, ROBERT B AYRES, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,029.

-30- 336
#90326c0253 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, PALMER W BIGELOW JR, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 339
#90326c0255 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, RUSSELL E FRANKEL, OFFICER OF HARRIS (PAUL) STORES INC. (TICKER: PHRS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 338
#90326c0256 11/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, THOMAS M MARTIN, OFFICER OF HARRIS (PAUL) STORES INC. (TICKER: PHRS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 333
#90326c0257 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, RAYMOND JACOB HEATH, VP OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90326c0258 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, RAYMOND JACOB HEATH, VP OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,900.

-30- 305
#90326c0259 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 07, 1990, THEODORE M EWING, DIV. OFFICER OF PANSOPHIC SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PNS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 336
#90326c0260 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, THEODORE M EWING, DIV. OFFICER OF PANSOPHIC SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PNS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90326c0261 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, THEODORE M EWING, DIV. OFFICER OF PANSOPHIC SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PNS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 335
#90326c0263 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, BRUCE C GILLEYLEN, VP OF PARKVALE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PVSA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,137.

-30- 326
#90326c0264 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ALEX R RODRIGUEZ, OFFICER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90326c0265 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, ALEX R RODRIGUEZ, OFFICER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90326c0266 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ALEX R RODRIGUEZ, OFFICER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90326c0267 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, ALEX R RODRIGUEZ, OFFICER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90326c0268 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ALEX R RODRIGUEZ, OFFICER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90326c0269 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ALEX R RODRIGUEZ, OFFICER OF PREFERRED HEALTH CARE LTD. (TICKER: PY), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90326c0271 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, DAVID C FARRELL, DIR. OF RALSTON PURINA CO. (TICKER: RAL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $104.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 316
#90326c0272 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ROSS D SIRAGUSA JR, DIR. OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), SOLD 2,300 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,672.

-30- 330
#90326c0273 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CLAYTON H NIELSEN, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,315.

-30- 330
#90326c0274 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, TIMOTHY P SHEEHAN, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,606.

-30- 335
#90326c0275 11/22/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, SARA R WILSON, OFFICER OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90326c0276 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 26, 1990, GARY MORROW DUNCAN, VP OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90326c0277 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, ROBERT T MALMGREN, VP OF SFFED CORP. (TICKER: SFFD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 296
#90326c0279 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, PAUL A ALLAIRE, DIR. OF SARA LEE CORP. (TICKER: SLE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,598.

-30- 302
#90326c0280 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, STEVEN BROWN, VP OF STANDARD MOTOR PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: SMP), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 308
#90326c0281 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, NITIN K PARIKH, VP OF STANDARD MOTOR PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: SMP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,750.

-30- 317
#90326c0282 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, NITIN K PARIKH, VP OF STANDARD MOTOR PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: SMP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 320
#90326c0283 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 26, 1990, NIDO R QUBEIN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 207 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90326c0284 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 26, 1990, NIDO R QUBEIN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 552 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90326c0285 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN 26, 1990, NIDO R QUBEIN, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90326c0287 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 23, 1990, VIRGIL A MAXWELL, DIR. OF THE STATESMAN GROUP INC. (TICKER: STTG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,966.

-30- 325
#90326c0288 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 08, 1990, BARRY GOLUB, DIR. OF SCOR U.S. CORP. (TICKER: SUR), SOLD 475 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90326c0289 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, CRAIG S CAMPBELL, OFFICER OF TECO ENERGY INC. (TICKER: TE), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $15.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750.

-30- 309
#90326c0290 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MERLIN F WADSWORTH, OFFICER OF TECO ENERGY INC. (TICKER: TE), SOLD 339 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 339.

-30- 310
#90326c0291 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1987, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90326c0292 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 03, 1987, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90326c0293 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1987, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90326c0295 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 23, 1987, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90326c0296 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1987, DAVID M FENDER, PRES. OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,883,845.

-30- 330
#90326c0297 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1987, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90326c0298 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 03, 1987, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90326c0299 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1987, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90326c0300 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1987, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90326c0301 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 23, 1987, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY

RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 312
#90326c0303 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1988, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90326c0304 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 13, 1988, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90326c0305 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 16, 1988, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 316
#90326c0306 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 17, 1988, ZAPATA PARTNERSHIP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THOR ENERGY RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: THR), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,641,181.

-30- 353
#90326c0307 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JOHN OBRIEN, DIR. OF TAMBRANDS INC. (TICKER: TMB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $85.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 952.

-30- 291
#90326c0308 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JACK TSENG, PRES. OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90326c0309 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, JACK TSENG, PRES. OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 279
#90326c0311 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JACK TSENG, PRES. OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $3.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90326c0312 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JACK TSENG, PRES. OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG), SOLD 17,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90326c0313 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, JACK TSENG, PRES. OF TSENG LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: TSNG), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,756,786.

-30- 322
#90326c0314 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, W WILLIAM VANDERWOLK JR, DIR. OF UNITIL CORP. (TICKER: UTL), BOUGHT 103 SHARES AT $33.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,622.

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#90326c0315 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, OIA INC, BEN. OWNER OF VEGAS CHIPS INC. (TICKER: VCHP), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.12 PER SHARE.

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#90326c0316 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, OIA INC, BEN. OWNER OF VEGAS CHIPS INC. (TICKER: VCHP), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.12 PER SHARE.

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#90326c0317 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, OIA INC, BEN. OWNER OF VEGAS CHIPS INC. (TICKER: VCHP), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE.

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#90326c0319 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, OIA INC, BEN. OWNER OF VEGAS CHIPS INC. (TICKER: VCHP), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,826,000.

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#90326c0320 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOHN D BALDESCHWIELER, CHAIRMAN OF VESTAR INC. (TICKER: VSTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE.

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#90326c0321 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOHN D BALDESCHWIELER, CHAIRMAN OF VESTAR INC. (TICKER: VSTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

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#90326c0322 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JOHN D BALDESCHWIELER, CHAIRMAN OF VESTAR INC. (TICKER: VSTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE.

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#90326c0323 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, JOHN D BALDESCHWIELER, CHAIRMAN OF VESTAR INC. (TICKER: VSTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,375.

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#90326c0324 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, MARSHALL ERDMAN, DIR. OF VALLEY BANCORPORATION (WI) (TICKER: VYBN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,231.

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#90326c0325 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, DAVID ROGERS, DIR. OF WORKINGMENS CAPITAL HLDGS INC. (TICKER: WCHI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE.

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#90326c0327 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JAMES T MUMMERT, OFFICER OF WESTCORP INC. (TICKER: WES), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE.

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#90326c0328 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JAMES T MUMMERT, OFFICER OF WESTCORP INC. (TICKER: WES), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,250.

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#90326c0329 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, PAUL A ALLAIRE, PRES. OF XEROX CORP. (TICKER: XRX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $31.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,239.

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#90326c0330 11/22/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, WAYLAND R HICKS, VP OF XEROX CORP. (TICKER: XRX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $29.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

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#90326d6970 11/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 22) - President Saddam Hussein denounced a visit Thursday to Saudi Arabia by U.S. President George Bush and warned that Iraq would "destroy" him and "break the teeth" of U.S. forces in the Gulf region.

President Hussein issued the threat Wednesday as the U.S. head of state began a visit to Saudi Arabia for talks with King Fahd and the exiled ruler of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah.

Mr. Bush was to celebrate U.S. Thanksgiving Day Thursday with his troops deployed in the Saudi desert and would travel to within 350 kilometers (220 miles) of Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

"We are determined to destroy you and break the teeth of the American forces," warned President Hussein in a statement carried by the Iraqi press on Thursday.

"Iraq has the means to confront any aggression," Mr. Hussein said in the central Iraqi town of An-Nasiriyah, some 200 kilometers (125) from the Saudi border.

He accused Mr. Bush of having come to the region to "defy Iraq" and said he was convinced the "Iraqi people, who have inherited a 6,000-year-old civilisation, cannot be vanquished."

Iraq, the president said, could "forgive" those who take positions against it "under pressure", but he reiterated that there would be no mercy for "traitors".

His last remark was apparently aimed at Washington's Arab allies in the Gulf crisis, notably Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Syria -- whose leaders Mr. Bush is meeting on his current tour.

After separate talks late Wednesday in the western Saudi city of Jeddah with with King Fahd and the exiled Kuwaiti ruler, Mr. Bush said his country wanted to see a United Nations resolution allowing force to be used to end the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker meanwhile arrived Thursday in Yemen, apparently to discuss possible U.N. backing for military action against Baghad.

Mr. Bush on Wednesday said he was "determined more than ever" to end Iraq's occupation of Kuwait and planned to discuss the military option Friday in Cairo with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Mr. Bush was then to fly to Geneva for a previously unscheduled meeting with Syrian President al-Assad.

Syria and Egypt -- along with Morocco -- are the only Arab countries to have dispatched troops to Saudi Arabia as part of a multinational troop buildup in the region.

On Thursday Mr. Bush flew to Dhahran in eastern Saudi Arabia to visit U.S. armed forces present in the kingdom.

He then left in a convoy of helicopters for a Thanksgiving Day dinner in the Saudi desert with a U.S. army unit.

The United States -- with some 230,000 troops deployed in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf region -- leads a 350,000-strong multinational force.

It faces 450,000 Iraqi troops massed in southern Iraq and the occupied emirate.

But Iraq this week said it would send more than 250,000 reinforcements to southern Iraq and Kuwait in response to a U.S. decision to bolster its presence in the Gulf by an additional 200,000 troops.

In a related development, U.S. citizens held against their will by Iraqi authorities, on Thursday appealed for "justice and freedom" in a Thanksgiving Day message to Iraqi nationals and Iraqi-Americans in the United States.

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#90326d7430 11/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 22) - Japanese instant noodle maker Nissin Food Products Co. Ltd. said Thursday its net profits tumbled 43.5 percent from a year earlier to 2.9 billion yen (21 million dollars) in the six months to September.

Nissin, the pioneer in noodles and oil-fried processed food products, blamed a stock market plunge that reduced the value of its stock holdings.

Sales rose 2.5 percent to 82 billion yen (600 million dollars) in the same period, with those of instant noodles posting an increase.

Nissin forecast a net profit of 9.8 billion yen (71 million dollars) for the year to March on sales of 172 billion yen (1.3 billion dollars), both unchanged from earlier projections.

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#90326d8210 11/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH (NOV. 22) - German auto company BMW plans to open an assembly plant in the United States to counter the unfavorable effect of the dollar's decline, BMW chairman Eberhard von Kuenheim said in an interview published on Thursday by the business weekly Wirtschaftswoche.

He said that "BMW has several plans on hand for assembly in the United States" adding that such assembly could lead to lower BMW production in Germany itself. BMW now builds all its vehicles in Germany.

Mr. Von Kuenheim also said that Japanese group Matsushita, which already holds 25.1 percent of Germany's Loewe firm (electronics), intends to buy more shares in Loewe, in which BMW has the biggest stake (31 percent).

He said BMW had not decided whether it wanted to sell off that holding.

He commented that "the question of selling something to a Japanese group or helping it set up shop in Europe is a moral question".

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#90326d8670 11/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 22) - Shares lost most of the gains made immediately after the announcement of the resignation of Prime Minister Thatcher Thursday morning.

The initial relief that the political uncertainty detested by the markets did not last long and the Footsie 100 share index finished the day at 2127.9, only 1.6 points up on the close Wednesday. The FT-30 index lost 3.8 points to 1672.2 and a total volume of 496.1 million shares were traded against 439.1 million shares Wednesday.

The news that John Major, the chancellor and Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, were to enter the leadership contest reminded the city that the political uncertainty was not yet at an end.

News that more British troops were to be deployed in the Gulf also helped to dampen initial optimism.

The strength of the pound helped gilts to gain more than a half a point in

places.

Rolls Royce, British Aerospace and Lucas, the engineering company all fell following profits warnings.

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#90326d8720 11/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 22) - British Defence Secretary Tom King on Thursday said an additional armoured infantry brigade will be sent to the Gulf, taking the number of British troops there from 16,000 to 30,000.

Mr. King also told parliament here that two minesweepers would join those already in the Gulf.

"With the further major American deployments and the continued buildup of units from 30 other countries in the multi-national force, the deployment I have announced today is the clearest possible message to (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein that there is a credible military option and that he must now end his aggression, release the hostages and leave Kuwait", Mr. King said.

British forces in the Gulf comprise the 7th armoured infantry brigade, the so-called Desert Rats, about 15 warships including two destroyers, two frigates and three minesweepers, as well as four and a half Tornado and Jaguar fighter groups.

Most troops are stationed in Saudi Arabia.

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#90326d8740 11/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 22) - The French carmaker Renault and Iran's Saipa company have signed a letter of intent whereby the two firms are to assemble 20,000 R-21 mid-sized models per year in Iran by the mid-1990s, it was announced here Thursday.

A renault statement said more R-21 models would be constructed in Iran at a later stage.

Saipa factories have assembled in cooperation with Renault more than 110,000 R-5 small cars since 1975. The production of this model is to be raised to 20,000 per year, the statement said.

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#90326d8750 11/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 22) - Sikh militants lined up 25 public bus passengers and shot them dead Thursday in the northern Indian state of Punjab, the Press

Trust of India (PTI) reported.

Another 19 people were killed in a number of violent incidents in Punjab on Wednesday and Thursday.

The violence coincided with a statement from a powerful Sikh committee ordering journalists in Punjab to follow guidelines in reporting the events.

The 25 bus passengers were members of an unidentified community travelling in three state-run Chandigarh Transport Union buses, police sources were quoted as saying.

Informed sources said it was likely the victims were Hindus.

The Sikh's five-member Panthic Committee ordered Punjab-based journalists to refrain from describing the militants as "terrorists" or "extremists", the terms commonly used by local Indian press and government.

Those dissenting will meet their death, the committee warned in the statement circulated to the newspapers and news agencies in Chandigarh, the joint capital of Punjab and neighbouring Haryana, PTI reported.

The Panthic Committee is based in neighbouring Pakistan, which is accused by India of arming and harbouring Sikh separatists. Islamabad refutes the allegation.

In the earlier violence Thursday, militants gunned down Harbans Lal, a local leader of former premier Rajiv Gandhi's Congress (I) party, in Punjab's Sangrur district, PTI said.

Two villagers and a voluntary policeman were shot dead in Amritsar district, a known separatist bastion bordering Pakistan, police were quoted as saying.

Security forces gunned down four Sikh separatists, while six others died in factional fights, PTI said.

PTI said a half dozen more people were killed separately elsewhere in the state, where some 3,500 people have died this year in the campaign for an independent Sikh homeland called Khalistan, or land of the pure.

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#90326d9300 11/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 22) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker returned to this western Saudi city from Sanaa late Thursday following a brief stopover in Yemen, the Saudi Press Agency (SPA) reported.

He had flown earlier in the day from Jeddah to sound out Yemeni President Ali

Abdallah Saleh on the need to resort to force against Iraq to dislodge it from Kuwait which it invaded on August 2.

The U.S., which holds the rotating presidency of the 15-member United Nations Security Council, is spearheading a move among council members to authorize the use of military force.

Yemen is next in line for the Security Council presidency and assumes the position next month.

Mr. Saleh told the U.S. foreign affairs chief that the military option was fraught with dangers for the region and that "the interests of all the parties concerned would be threatened", Yemeni officials said.

The Yemeni president also said his country was willing to continue seeking a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

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#90326d9680 11/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 22) - Anglo American Corporation (AAC) announced here Thursday a 10 per cent fall in the multi-faceted South African-based giant's attributable earnings for the six months ended 30 September 1990.

The corporation's attributable earnings for the first six months ended 30 September, 1990, fell to 540 million rands (214 million dollars) from 599 million (237.6 million dollars) in the comparable period last year.

Equity accounted earnings also fell by some 12 per cent to 1.15 billion rands (456 million dollars).

Trading income decreased by 19 per cent to 226 million rands (89.68 million dollars) from 279 million rands (110.7 million dollars) the same period last year.

AAC directors said the fall was mainly due to the fall in operating profit of AAC's coalmining subsidiary, Amcoal. They attributed the fall in Amcoal's operating profit to lower export sales, increased unit working costs and the strong rand against the dollar.

Net income from investments at 594 million rands (235.7 million rands) was six per cent down compared to the 632 million rands (250 million dollars) the same period last year.

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#90326d9820 11/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 22) - France has signed a new contract to sell grain to the

Soviet Union, as the European Economic Community (EEC) has granted the required certificates and export subsidies, several informed sources said on Thursday.

The sale is for 600,000 tons of soft wheat and 500,000 tons of barley, they said.

On Thursday, the EEC Cereals Management Committee in Brussels decided to grant an export subsidy ("restitution") of 116 European Currency Units (ECU) per tonne on the wheat, and one of 104 ECU per tonne for the barley.

Last week, the Committee granted a subsidy of 115.5 ECU per tonne on a French sale of 900,000 tons of soft wheat to the Soviet Union, and one of 103.50 ECU per tonne for 500,000 tons of French barley to Moscow.

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#90326d9900 11/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 22) - Thomson-CSF Group chairman Alain Gomez told financial analysts on Thursday that the group's net result for the 1990 financial year should be no less than six per cent of sales.

Moreover, anticipated sales, 36 billion francs (about 7.2 billion dollars) should remain roughly at the same level over the next several years, he said.

On that basis, the group should have a net result of at least 2.16 billion francs this year, which would be down 18 per cent on the 2.6 billion francs recorded for 1989.

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#90326d9910 11/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 22) - Leading Japanese geology and survey firm Oyo Corp. announced Thursday it agreed to a joint venture with the French government's Office of Geological and Mining Research (BRGM).

The venture, called Iris Instruments SA, will build a factory in central France to make underground exploration equipment, Oyo said.

It will be controlled 51 per cent by the French group, with the Japanese firm providing an initial capital outlay of 3.2 million U.S. dollars.

Oyo announced a similar agreement with the Soviet Union to make seismographs, the first joint Japanese-Soviet venture in high technology.

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#90326d9940 11/22/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN SALVADOR (NOV. 22) - Leftist guerrillas killed five soldiers and wounded

five others in an attack on an army base in eastern El Salvador Thursday as hopes faded for an end to a two-day-old rebel offensive.

Colonel Ciro Lopez said the mortar attack on the army base in San Miguel, 120 kilometers (75 miles) east of the capital, lasted only eight minutes, but five shells exploded inside the compound, one of them near a group of soldiers.

It was the latest assault by the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) since it launched a "limited" offensive Tuesday on government positions in seven of the country's 14 departments, in a bid to force concessions in ongoing peace negotiations.

A second hour-long rebel mortar attack heard throughout the city early Thursday failed to inflict significant damage on a power plant on the outskirts of the capital. A guard said there were no casualties in the shelling.

Residents of the capital watched government helicopters strafing suspected guerrilla positions on the outskirts of the city.

In other fighting, military sources said army installations at San Jose Guayabal, in the central part of the country, and at Mercedes Umana, 105 kilometers (62 miles) east of here, came under guerrilla attack around midnight Wednesday, although no casualties reported.

By the government's count, the latest casualties in San Miguel raised to 53 the number of people killed since the offensive began. The armed forces said Wednesday that 29 rebels and 11 soldiers had been killed and 69 government troops wounded. In radio broadcasts, the government said eight civilians were killed and 106 wounded.

But the U.S. State Department, citing Salvadoran officials, said Wednesday that 33 Salvadoran soldiers, 44 rebels and seven civilians had been killed in the fighting, and that 266 people had been wounded. There was no immediate explanation for the divergent casualty tolls.

An FMLN radio communique Thursday said 395 government troops had been killed or wounded since the fighting began, and that the rebels had destroyed nine armored vehicles, three aircraft and captured two rocket launchers and 37 rifles during the offensive.

It was the biggest rebel operation since the FMLN launched its largest offensive of the 10-year-old civil war in November 1989, which left more than 2,000 people dead.

Although the fighting died down by Wednesday, Thursday's assaults showed that the rebels intended to keep up pressure on the government with only days to go before a new round of U.N.-sponsored peace talks begin in Caracas.

In a statement read over a clandestine radio station, the FMLN said it was engaged in military operations in seven of the country's 14 departments and vowed there would be no ceasefire so long as the armed forces could act with impunity.

The statement also said the FMLN, which groups five separate rebel armies, had become the National Army for Democracy.

In a statement issued at the start of the offensive, the rebel group threatened a sustained anti-government drive in the future if no advance was made in the peace negotiations.

A guerrilla commander interviewed Thursday by AFP in Nejapa, a town 14 kilometers (eight miles) north of San Salvador, insisted the latest fighting was not a full-scale offensive but only a "warmup" in case peace efforts fail.

"If this was an offensive, we'd be in San Salvador," said the 30-year-old commander, known as Aristides, who heads a 200-strong guerrilla unit in the area near the capital.

The guerrilla leader, who has been fighting with the FMLN since the start of the war, said the rebels remained committed to a negotiated settlement "because the war isn't leading to anything good."

In the stalled, U.N.-mediated peace talks begun April and due to resume Friday in Caracas, the FMLN has demanded that the Salvadoran Armed Forces be dismantled and that all military officers charged with human rights abuses be brought to trial.

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#90326p9450 11/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Fujitsu Limited, one of the world's leading producers of computers and telecommunications systems, semiconductors and other electronics components, reported net sales of Y1,295.08 billion ($9.38 billion) on a consolidated basis for the six- month period ending Sept. 30, 1990. This represents an 11.5 percent increase compared with net sales of Y1,161.01 billion ($8.41 billion) over the same six-month period in 1989.

In terms of sales by product areas, computers and data processing systems climbed 13.5 percent over last year's half-year period, and telecommunications products reported a 17.7 percent gain. Sales of semiconductors and other electronics components decreased by 4.8 percent. Overseas sales, including local production as well as exports from Japan, rose by 0.3 percent over the same period in 1989.

The company reported net income of Y25.99 billion ($188.36 million) for the half-year period, down 33.9 percent from the 1989 half-year figure of Y39.35

billion ($285.17 million). Similarly, profit per share dropped 34.5 percent to Y14.38 ($0.10) from the Y21.94 ($0.16) reported in the comparable period in 1989.

The company attributed the decline in earnings for the half-year period mainly to negative results at some overseas subsidiaries due to a number of factors, including: lower sales growth, expenses arising from expansion of overseas manufacturing facilities, increased investment in new product development and efforts to strengthen marketing organizations, as well as higher interest payments.

The results reflect the performance of 154 consolidated subsidiaries (148 in the same 1989 half-year period), including Fujitsu America, Inc., and Fujitsu Microelectronics, Inc., as well as 13 other companies (also 13 in the same 1989 half-year period), including Amdahl Corporation and Fanuc Ltd., using the applied equity accounting method.

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#90326p9454 11/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILAN, ITALY (NOV. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - The boards of directors of The Ferruzzi Group companies involved in the decision regarding Montedison's Enimont stake (Serafino Ferruzzi S.r.1., Ferruzzi Finanziaria and the new Montedison) met today in Rome.

The board of directors of Montedison, having considered the evaluations of the group's strategy voiced by the shareholders, reviewed ENI's offer to buy Montedison's 40 percent stake or sell its 40 percent stake in Enimont.

The board has decided to proceed with the sale of Montedison's Enimont stake at the 1,650 lire per share price offered by ENI (for a total of approximately 2.8 trillion lire).

The factors which motivated this decision were given as follows: The dangerous move made by ENI which resulted in the intervention of the court in the running of Enimont, a situation which is contrary to facing whatever issues are involved in the entrepreneurial management of a company;

The unproductive atmosphere surrounding Montedison's strategic proposals, and ENI's widely known desire to take over the management and control of Enimont, created circumstances which could only lead to Montedison making the responsible decision to disengage itself from a company which was made unmanageable for the private-sector partner.

Montedison's protection of the interests of all shareholders of Enimont has also led ENI to commit to purchase the publicly traded shares of Enimont at

the same price that was offered for Montedison's shares.

At the beginning of the Ferruzzi Finanziaria board of directors meeting, Raul Gardini stated, "The Ferruzzi-Montedison Group was practically forced to sell its Enimont shares by the formulation of an onerous contract which would be impossible for us to accept as a purchasing party. We have taken a long and painful journey as entrepreneurs down the obliged road to this final decision."

Managing Director Giuseppe Garofano reviewed the main issues of the offer and the impacts of the sale of the Enimont shares.

Upon a motion by Ferruzzi Finanziaria Vice Chairman Sergio Cragnotti, the board unanimously resolved to request that Montedison sell its Enimont stake.

The Ferruzzi Group is a leading international industrial system which operates through Montedison in the chemical, pharmaceutical and energy sectors, as well as in the agro-industrial sector, with an aggregate turnover of approximately $40 billion.

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#90326p9455 11/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, CALIF (NOV. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Trefoil Capital Investors, L.P. announced today that it had advised CNC Holding Corp. that it believes that the conditions to Trefoil's acquisition of CNC's 82 percent interest in Child World would not be satisfied. Trefoil added that it has sought CNC's consent to the termination of their Aug. 24, 1990 stock purchase agreement. Upon termination of that agreement, the related merger agreement under which Trefoil proposed to acquire the remaining publicly-held 18 percent interest in Child World will also be terminated.

Trefoil Capital Investors L.P. was recently formed by the executives of Shamrock Holdings Inc. Shamrock, based in Burbank, owns and operates two of the nation's largest chains of music and video stores, the 71-store Music Plus chain in Southern California and the 140-store Sound Warehouse chain headquartered in Dallas. It also owns, through Shamrock Broadcasting, 15 radio and three television stations.

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#90326p9459 11/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - SPI Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (AMEX:

SPI), of the United States, an 89 percent-owned subsidiary of ICN Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (NYSE: ICN), and Galenika Pharmaceuticals, of Yugoslavia announced today that they have signed a definitive agreement to create a new company with consolidated sales of $370 million, 7,400 employees and 18 manufacturing and distribution facilities, operating in six countries.

The transaction marks the first major consolidation of an Eastern European pharmaceutical company with a western company and is one of the largest east-west transactions to occur in Yugoslavia since the end of World War II.

Under the agreement, the assets of Galenika, the largest pharmaceutical company in Yugoslavia, would be transferred to a new joint company, ICN Galenika, 75 percent of which will be owned by SPI and 25 percent of which will be owned by Galenika. The agreement is subject to final approval by the Federal Secretariat for External Economic Relations of Yugoslavia, the boards of directors of SPI, ICN and Galenika, and customary closing conditions.

SPI and Galenika The combination of Galenika Pharmaceuticals of Yugoslavia with SPI Pharmaceuticals of the United States will create a major international pharmaceutical company serving the health care needs of patients in Eastern European and Western countries.

The new company will have sales of $370 million, 7,400 employees, 18 manufacturing plants and distribution facilities, and assets of approximately $245 million. It will make, market and distribute 600 prescription pharmaceuticals in a broad range of therapeutic classes.

The transaction was made possible by the changes in Yugoslav law in late 1988 that permitted privatization of businesses owned by the people of Yugoslavia.

The infusion of capital by SPI will permit Galenika to modernize equipment, and position it for competition from foreign firms -- Western European or Japanese companies for example -- that is expected to intensify with the easing of East-West tensions.

Galenika Headquartered in Belgrade in the southeast of Europe, Galenika was founded in 1945 after World War II as part of the post-war development of Yugoslavia.

It is the largest manufacturer of pharmaceutical and chemical products throughout Yugoslavia. It serves pharmaceutical markets in Eastern Europe, the Soviet Union and exports pharmaceutical products to many countries in Africa, the Far East and to some western countries. It has a workforce of 5,800.

Galenika produces some 250 medicines for human use over a wide range of pharmaceutical groups, including antibiotics, antihistamines, antipeptic agents, hormones, enzymes and anticoagulates.

Specific products include analgesics, antirheumatics, cardiotonics, dermatological products, psychostimulants and vitamins.

Galenika's drug production facilities are among the modern complexes of their kind in Europe. It produces 95 percent of its drugs in finished forms, including tablets, capsules, ampules, solutions, creams and drops.

The company's drug production facilitates meet all criteria for the manufacturer of modern medicines contained in the World Code for Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) as recognized by the World Health Organization of the United Nations.

The company maintains a science and research institute engaged in pharmaceutical research and development, and organic and inorganic synthesis of pharmacotherapeutic substances used in genetic engineering research and pharmaceutical technology. It has a research and development unit employing 360 people.

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#90326u0023 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 22) UPI - President Bush says that on a personal level, he'll miss Margaret Thatcher, who resigned as Britian's prime minister today. Bush says he valued Thatcher's''counsel and the wisdom that comes from her long experience.''

Military officials confirm tonight that 42-thousand pounds of live ammunition that exploded near Lida Junction, Nevada, was bound for the Persian Gulf. There were NO injuries in last night's blast that came when a trailor rig caught fire.

President Bush says U-S troops will remain in the Persian Gulf until Iraqi troops withdraw from Kuwait. Bush spoke to American forces in Saudi Arabia before traveling to Cairo, where he'll talk with Egypt's president tomorrow.

Americans celebrated their 369th Thanksgiving with colorful parades and traditional turkey dinners. The poor were treated to free holiday meals in cities around the country from Anchorage Alaska to Los Angeles.

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#90326u0061 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 22) UPI - President Bush is in Saudia Arabia, just a few hours away

from the first of three visits with U-S troops. Bush will visit with service personnel at two encampments in the Saudi desert and will attend a prayer service aboard the U-S-S Nassau in the Persian Gulf. He'll dine on turkey and the traditional trimmings amid sandbags and foxholes.

Thai officials now say they have recovered the bodies of all 38 people aboard a small airliner that crashed during a storm Wednesday on a popular beach resort island 300 miles south of Bangkok. A U-S Embassy official in Bangkok says two Americans have been identified as among those killed.

All across the nation, turkeys are stuffed and ready to be put into overns for the traditional Thanksgiving feat Thursday. But vegetarians in Boston claim the American diet is still too meat-oriented, so they had their meat-free Thanksgiving dinner Wednesday. The menu included tofu turkey.

Despite opposition from one militia group, Lebanese President Elias Hrawi vows that a militia-free Beirut will be established. Hrawi made the pledge on the eve of Lebanon's Independence Day. Hrawi's statement came amid reports that a militia leader was opposing a plan to deploy army troops in all Beirut areas.

With only a few weeks left in office, Polish President Wojciech Jaruzelski held a farewell reception for reporters Wednesday. The communist general who ordered martial law in 1981 to crush Solidarity said he believes history will eventually acknowledge his contribution to Poland's emerging democracy.

Students at the University of Texas at Arlington voted down a proposal to establish what would have been the first abortion clinic at a U-S university campus. The issue may have been a moot one, since U-T-A President Wendell Nedderman opposed the measure which could NOT be enacted without his O-K.

The Food and Drug Administration has confirmed that it approved a prescription to supply a patient with marijuana from the government's stock. Officials say the Virginia man is the second AIDS patient to receive federal permission to use pot to reduce nausea, vomiting and pain.

Chuck Berry was cleared of child abuse charges by a St. Charles, Missouri, judge who put the rock 'n' roll lengend on probation for possessing marijuana. Barry told reporters Wednesday- ''I hope the publicity that the charges were dropped will be as prominently exposed as when the charges were made.''

A hiker and his dog Wednesday completed an eight-month journey that covered the entire two-thousand-mile Appalachian Trail. But what made the trek a particular test of endurance and will is that the trail was covered by blind hiker Bill Irwin and his German shepherd guidedog, Orient.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 22) UPI - The government, responding to a lawsuit challenging President Bush's authority to send troops to the Persian Gulf without congressional approval, said matter is a political question not suitable for courts to decide.

The brief filed by the Justice Department late Wednesday comes in response to a lawsuit brought by an Army national guardsman, who claimed the president has commited U.S. forces to the Middle East in violation of the 1973 War Powers Act.

Sgt. Michael Ange, 26, attached to the 1,450th Transportation Unit at Fort Lee Va., also sought an emergency order blocking his deployment to the Middle East because an ulcer and leg injuries made him unfit for duty.

In a response filed in U.S. District Court, the government disputed the contention by Ange's lawyers that the United States was on the verge of war and said courts should not enter into such political debates.

''In terms of the broad sweep of events in the Persian Gulf,'' the government said, ''there are simply no manageable standards by which this court can evaluate whether this country is engaged in 'war' in the constitutional sense, or determine whether 'hostilities' within the meaning of the (War Powers Act) are occurring or are about to occur.''

To rule in favor of Ange, the government said, ''would make the court an active participant in the delicate and ever-changing Persian Gulf diplomatic, military and political situation.''

Ange's lawyers appeared in federal court Nov. 13 seeking an emergency court order suspending Ange's deployment to the gulf until a full hearing can be held on the constitutional question.

U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth declined to issue the emergency order, but scheduled a Dec. 10 hearing on the case.

Ange's lawyers say the guardsman doesn't fall into the ''conscientious objector'' category, but instead fears Bush is pushing the United States toward a war without consulting his countrymen.

''We believe that this is a historic and critical moment for the American people, that they should have, as should Sgt. Ange, the consent of Congress and the American people before launching a war in the gulf,'' said Michael Ratner, a lawyer for the Center for Constitutional Rights, which has taken up Ange's case.

The 1973 War Powers Act requires the president to notify Congress within 48 hours when U.S. forces are in an area of ''imminent hostilities.'' Congress has 60 days to vote on whether to authorize the military action. Presidents

have generally ignored the act and the courts have been reluctant to step into what many consider a political question.

The Justice Department's brief says Bush has notified Congress of his intentions through letters and through conferences among White House officials and congressional leaders.

If the court intervened in the matter, the government said it would result in a situation in which ''the president, rather than turning to his diplomatic and military advisers in time of national crisis, would be required to consult his lawyers in the first instance, a consequence not likely contemplated by the framers of the Constitution.''

In addition, the government said Congress ''has not yet asserted whatever constitutional powers it has,'' noting that lawmakers have not called a special session to debate whether U.S. troops should be in the gulf.

On Tuesday, 45 members of Congress filed suit in the same court seeking to prevent Bush from committing U.S. troops to a Persian Gulf war without congressional approval.

The suit is based on the War Powers clause in the Constitution, rather than the War Powers Act, which some lawmakers claimed has proven to be ineffective. A federal judge Wednesday scheduled a Dec. 4 hearing on that lawsuit.

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#90326u0119 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 22) UPI - Like most Americans, President Bush and his wife will dine on Thanksgiving turkey Thursday. But UNlike most Americans, Bush will eat his meal in a potential combat zone. Bush is in Saudi Arabia, where he will meet with American troops sent to the region as part of Operation Desert Shield. Wednesday night, Bush met with the ousted emir of Kuwait.

The Justice Department late Wednesday filed a legal brief saying that a lawsuit challenging President Bush's authority to send troops to the Persian Gulf without congressional approval should NOT be decided in court. The suit was filed by an Army national guardsman, who claims the president has commited U-S forces to the Middle East in violation of the 1973 War Powers Act.

Bowlers in 11 cities took part in events called turkey bowls this week to collect food for the needy. But in Norfolk, Virginia, the event took on an added twist. As if rolling frozen turkeys down bowling alleys isn't bizarre enough, Norfolk bowlers slid their turkeys at a bowling pin bearing Saddam Hussein's face. One participant called it ''a turkey for a turkey.''

Fallen junk bond king Michael Milken is looking at a 10-year prison sentence. U-S District Judge Kimba Wood handed down the surprisingly tough term

Wednesday in New York, saying Miken's crime required a ''significant'' sentence. Milken must surrender March 4th to begin serving the sentence. Since Milken pleaded guilty, it is NOT clear if his lawyers can appeal the sentence.

Thailand's prime minister has ordered an investigation into the cause of a plane crash Wednesday that killed 38 people, including two Americans. The minister says he's worried the incident may hurt Thailand's tourist business. Officials say the small aircraft crashed in a rainstorm on a resort island in the Gulf of Thailand. In the words of one official- ''there are NO survivors.''

The group Milli Vanilli is NOT the only talent involved in lip- synching. Take the case of Pepper the parrot. The director of a T-V commercial filmed in Anchorage, Alaska, says Pepper talked so well, that he- ''didN'T sound like a parrot.'' The producers opted for dubbing over Pepper's voice... using a human who sounded more like a parrot than Pepper. Pepper's owner describes the scenerio as ''extremely humorous,'' but adds- ''that's show biz.''

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(NOV. 22) - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	8	2	.800	-
Philadelphia	7	4	.636	1 1/2
New York	6	4	.600	2
Miami	3	7	.300	5
Washington	2	7	.222	5 1/2
New Jersey	2	9	.182	6 1/2

CENTRAL DIVISION

Detroit	8	2	.800	-
Milwaukee	8	3	.727	1/2
Cleveland	7	4	.636	1 1/2
Chicago	5	6	.455	3 1/2
Charlotte	6	6	.500	3
Indiana	4	6	.400	4
Atlanta	4	7	.364	4 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	6	2	.750	-
Houston	6	5	.545	1 1/2

Dallas	5	4	.556	1 1/2
Utah	4	6	.400	3
Minnesota	4	7	.364	3 1/2
Orlando	3	8	.273	4 1/2
Denver	1	10	.091	6 1/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	9	0	1.000	-
Golden State	8	3	.727	2
Phoenix	6	3	.667	3
LA Clippers	5	5	.500	4 1/2
LA Lakers	5	5	.500	4 1/2
Seattle	4	4	.500	4 1/2
Sacramento	1	8	.111	8

Wednesday Results

Detroit 108, Indiana 100 Boston 108, Houston 95 Cleveland 123, Miami 109 Philadelphia 101, Sacramento 99 Milwaukee 105, Atlanta 93 San Antonio 114, Minnesota 100 Utah 106, Orlando 91 Phoenix 109, Chicago 107 LA Clippers 99, New Jersey 90 LA Lakers 141, Denver 121

THURSDAY GAMES

No games scheduled

FRIDAY GAMES

Sacramento at Boston, 7:30 p.m. Cleveland at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m. Miami at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m. Houston at Indiana, 7:30 p.m. Washington at Detroit, 8 p.m. Chicago at LA Clippers, 8 p.m. San Antonio at Dallas, 8:30 p.m. Seattle at Utah, 9:30 p.m. New Jersey at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m. Golden State at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

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(NOV. 22) - NHL STANDINGS

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	15	7	3	34	100	65
Philadelphia	13	10	1	27	84	78
New Jersey	12	10	1	25	84	75
Washington	12	12	0	24	78	78
Pittsburgh	10	9	2	22	90	77
NY Islanders	8	12	0	16	58	77

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	12	6	4	31	69	64
Montreal	11	9	3	25	71	70
Hartford	8	9	4	20	56	65
Buffalo	7	8	6	20	70	66
Quebec	3	17	4	10	59	104

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	16	7	2	34	84	57
St. Louis	15	5	1	31	75	53
Detroit	9	10	3	21	79	87
Minnesota	4	14	5	13	57	82
Toronto	4	19	1	9	68	117

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	15	4	1	31	89	58
Calgary	13	8	2	28	98	73
Vancouver	11	11	0	22	68	75
Winnipeg	8	13	2	18	74	82
Edmonton	5	12	2	12	52	60

Wednesday Results

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(NOV. 22) UPI - President Bush and his wife are in Saudi Arabia today to spend Thanksgiving with American troops stationed in the region. Bush will meet with the troops, attend prayer services on a ship in the Persian Gulf, and deliver a speech.

Secretary of State Baker travels to Yemen today. Later this month, Yemen assumes the chairmanship of the United Nations Security Council. The U-S is expected soon to ask the council to approve a resolution allowing the use of force against Iraq.

A federal judge in New York Wednesday handed Wall stree junk bond dealer Michael Milken a tough sentence. Milken was given two-year jail terms for each on five counts of securities and tax law violations, plus three years of probation on a conspiracy charge.

Police in Bangkok, Thailand, say two Americans were among 38 people killed when a small Bangkok Airways plane crashed in a rainstorm on a resort island in the Gulf of Thailand. Names of the dead Americans are being withheld.

After inspecting the space shuttle Atlantis, officials at Cape Canaveral say the spaceplane came through this week's five-day flight in excellent

condition. A preliminary inspection showed that only three heat-shield tiles will have to be replaced.

About two-and-one-half Million people are expected to line the route of the famed Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York today. Another 80 Million will watch on T-V. The parade has become as much a holiday tradition as turkey.

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ADAK, Alaska (NOV. 22) UPI - The second moderate earthquake in as many days struck the Aleutian Islands Wednesday, shaking up the 5,000 Navy personnel and dependents at Adak Naval Air Station but causing no damage or injuries.

It was followed within hours by two smaller and unrelated earthquakes that shook within a 40-mile radius of Anchorage, officials said.

The Pacific Tsunami Warning Center said an earthquake with a preliminary reading of 5.1 on the Richter scale was centered 50 miles southeast of Adak, where officials at the Navy air base reported the jolt was felt strongly. The quake struck at 8:14 p.m.

Two lesser earthquakes struck later Wednesday about 1,000 miles away along the same major fault system known as the Aleutian Megathrust Zone that runs from Japan to the southern coast of Alaska, PTWC spokesman George Carte said.

But they hit too far away from the 5.1 quake and from each other to be considered related seismic events, spokesman Carte said.

An earthquake of magnitude 4.3 struck an area 40 miles southwest of Anchorage at 10:19 a.m. and another measuring 3.5 hit 20 miles north of Anchorage at 9:15 p.m., Carte said.

A quake measuring 5.6 on the Richter scale hit the Aleutian Islands Tuesday, about 150 miles from Wednesday's jolt. The tsunami center said the two Aleutian quakes were also too far apart to be related.

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A rookie goalie arrived to stop pucks and, in the process, he helped stop the Philadelphia Flyers' two-game losing streak.

Bruce Hoffort, who hadn't seen any action this season until 2:53 of the third period, entered when starting goalie Pete Peeters had the wind knocked out of him.

Philadelphia led the Pittsburgh Penguins 4-2 at the time, and the Flyers hung

on for a 5-4 victory.

''We got by,'' Hoffort said. ''We won and that was the only thing I cared about. I wanted the win regardless of the score.''

Hoffort gave up two goals but made several big saves down the stretch.

''He really made some '10 bell' saves for us,'' Flyers Coach Paul Holmgren said. ''He really was able to hang in there and get the win.''

Pittsburgh also said the Flyers rookie netminder came up big on a number of occasions.

''Hoffort really saved the game for them. He stopped me a couple of times, he stopped (Paul) Coffey twice and he got some big saves against (John) Cullen,'' Pittsburgh's Mark Recchi said.

The Penguins took a 2-0 lead with goals 1:09 apart late in the first period. Paul Stanton scored his first career goal on a slapshot from just inside the blueline at the 13:01 mark. Randy Gilhen followed with his seventh goal of the season at 14:10 on a shot from between the faceoff circles.

The Flyers got on the board in the final minute of the first when Scott Mellanby scored his eighth goal on a rebound of a shot by Kjell Samuelsson.

Philadelphia tied the game at 2-2 on Tony Horacek's goal at 1:19 of the second on a 10-foot wrist shot. The Flyers took a 3-2 lead Rick Tocchet's 14th goal from Mike Ricci at 3:34.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

In other games, Detroit nipped Minnesota 4-3, Quebec tied Hartford 4- 4, Washington downed Toronto 5-3, Buffalo tied the New York Rangers 5-5 and Vancouver pounded Chicago 4-1.

RED WINGS 4, NORTH STARS 3

At Detroit, rookie Johan Garpenlov scored his first goal in seven games midway through the third period to break a tie and lift the Red Wings. The victory was Detroit's second in its last eight outings, while Minnesota has five defeats and a tie in its last six games.

WHALERS 4, NORDIQUES 4

At Hartford, Tony McKegney scored at 18:09 of the third period, helping Quebec snap a 14-game losing streak. Kevin Dineen had tallied for the Whalers with 3:28 left to give them a 4-3 lead but McKegney connected from the left circle. The tie extended the Nordiques' winless streak to a club-record 15.

CAPITALS 5, MAPLE LEAFS 3

At Landover, Md., John Druce scored two power-play goals and assisted on a Kevin Hatcher score that capped a three-goal splurge late in the second period handing Toronto its league-leading 19th loss of the season. Washington snapped a three-game home losing streak and evened its record at 12-12.

RANGERS 5, SABRES 5

At Buffalo, Alexander Mogilny and Dave Andreychuk scored 18 seconds apart late in the third period to give the Sabres a tie. Andreychuk poked a rebound under goaltender John Vanbiesbrouck at 18:09 for his second goal of the game. Darren Turcotte had given New York a 5-3 lead at 16:32 of the third.

CANUCKS 4, BLACKHAWKS 1

At Vancouver, British Columbia, Troy Gamble and Kirk McLean stopped 37 shots, helping the Canucks end Chicago's five-game unbeaten streak. Gamble turned away all 24 shots he faced, before being forced to leave after being elbowed in the head by Steve Thomas.

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TOKYO (NOV. 22) UPI - Matushita Electric Industrial Co. Inc., the world's largest consumer electronics firm, could announce by this weekend a deal to purchase American entertainment giant MCA Inc., a Japanese newspaper reported Thursday.

The economic daily Nihon Keizai Shimbun said talks between executives of the two companies in New York on the possible $7-billion takeover of MCA are close to an end and the deal, which would be the largest merger this year, may be announced as soon as Sunday.

The Kyodo New Service reported Matsushita will hold an emergency meeting of its board of directors at its headquarters in Osaka Sunday.

The news service said the aquisition price would be about $7 billion, or $75 to $80 per share. MCA closed up 8 3/4 at $68.13 a share Wednesday in New York.

''There is nothing we can say right now,'' said a Matsushita spokesman who asked not to be identified. ''We cannot confirm either (the Nikkei or the Kyodo) report.''

If Matsushita - better known by its brand names, Panasonic, Technics, Quasar and JVC - buys MCA, it will be the second major purchase of a Hollywood film studio by a Japanese electronics company in as many years.

Sony Corp. bought Columbia Pictures in 1989 for $3.4 billion and touched off a storm of resentment in the United States over the increasing Japanese purchase of American properties.

MCA is the producer of such film hits as ''Jaws,'' ''E.T.'' and ''Back to the Future,'' and television shows, such as ''Murder, She Wrote'' and ''Major Dad.'' MCA Records has recording contracts with Tom Petty, Bobby Brown and Fine Young Cannibals.

Matsushita, which had revenues of $44 billion in 1989, has been seeking a major Hollywood film and recording studio to complement its production of entertainment harware - television sets, video recorders and stereos.

MCA, which earned $3.4 billion in 1989, had been talking about a merger with Paramount Communications Inc. for years, but broke off the discussions last year in a dispute over who would lead the combined studio.

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(NOV. 22) UPI - Around the world, around the clock, the latest news from U-P-I...

President Bush has a message that he will deliver in person today to at least some of the U-S troops stationed in Saudi Arabia. Bush says he wants American soldiers to know they are NOT part of- in his words- ''mission impossible.'' Bush will dine on turkey and the traditional trimmings with U-S troops.

While Bush breaks bread with American forces, Secretary of State Baker will travel to Yemen, which will soon assume the chairmanship of the U-N Security Council. Baker and Bush are campaigning for a U-N resolution authorizing the use of militry force against Iraq if it refuses to withdraw from Kuwait.

British Prime Minister Thatcher says she will fight to victory as she faces what is perhaps the last big battle of her political career. Conservative members of Britain's Parliament will vote Tuesday in a secret ballot to decide whether Thatcher or challenger Michael Heseltine leads the party.

Fallen junk bond king Michael Milken was sentenced to a 10-year prison term by a federal judge in New York yesterday. The chairman of the Securities Exchange Commission praised the sentence, calling Milken's violations of tax and securities laws ''deliberate'' and ''without justification.''

The so-called Keating-Five hearings resume Monday on Capitol Hill. Special counsel Robert Bennett is expected to call the former chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board to testify at the probe into alleged influence-peddling by the lawmakers. All five senators deny any wrongdoing.

Two-and-a-half-Million people are expected to line today's route of Macy's annual Thanksgiving parade today in New York. 80-Million more Americans are expected to watch the the event sponsored by the department store. The parade will feature something new called falloons- a float and balloon combined.

Soviet President Gorbachev may run into some roadblocks with his plans to re-organize his nation. Russian republic president Boris Yeltsin says he will NOT sign a proposed unity pact with the central government unless his republic is given substantial control over its own natural resources. The other Soviet republics also say they will NOT sign a unity pact.

A police officer in Thailand says the bodies of all 38 people aboard a small plane that crashed yesterday have been recovered. The plane went down in a rainstorm on a resort island in the Gulf of Thailand, about 300 miles south of Bangkok. Police have so far tentatively identified 26 of the bodies, including two Americans.

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(NOV. 22) UPI - Charles Barkley looks at things with a literal eye.

Philadelphia improved its home record to 5-1 Wednesday night when Rick Mahorn scored on a tip-in with four-tenths of a second to play to give the 76ers a 101-99 victory over the Sacramento Kings.

The record does not show, however, that Philadelphia had to go to overtime to beat both lowly New Jersey and Washington and had problems with Charlotte before nearly stumbling against the Kings, who fell to 1- 8 on the season.

Sixers Coach Jim Lynam might be worried about the way the team has struggled, but not Barkley, who led Philadelphia with 31 points.

''I'm only concerned that we've won five of six,'' he said. ''If we win five of six the rest of the year, I can live with it. You guys come up with negative things. We only worry about wins and losses.''

Hersey Hawkins, who had 24 points, agreed.

''We're winning and that's the bottom line,'' he said. ''It doesn't matter how you win. It would be nice to get some easy wins but that only comes with experience. If you have too many of these kind of games, sooner or later you learn.''

The 76ers led by as many as 11 points in the fourth quarter before allowing the Kings to tie the score several times in the last two minutes.

Barkley missed on a drive and a follow shot before Mahorn scored the

game-winning basket.

''I asked to be isolated but Ralph Sampson surprised me and made me change my shot,'' he said. ''I got the rebound but Rick Mahorn made a great effort and hit the basket.''

Sampson failed to score on the ensuing inbounds pass as the Kings lost for the sixth straight time at the Spectrum.

''I would like to get a stopwatch on those last 10 seconds,'' Sacramento Coach Dick Motta said. ''I thought after the second miss, we were in overtime.''

Sacramento got a season-high 23 points from Antoine Carr and 20 points each from rookie Travis Mays, his season high, Lionel Simmons and Wayman Tisdale.

Simmons, a Philadelphia native playing for the first time at the Spectrum, hit 10-of-19 shots and grabbed 13 rebounds.

''He played terrific but I'm not surprised,'' Lynam said. ''He's a very good basketball player.''

Sampson tipped in a missed layup by Rory Sparrow to tie the score at 99-99 with 10.7 seconds to play.

Ron Anderson sank a pair of free throws for a 99-97 Philadelphia lead with 29.5 seconds to go after Tisdale scored on a turnaround jumper to tie the score at 97-97.

Barkley hit two free throws to give Philadelphia a 97-95 lead with 1:04 left after the Kings had scored six straight points to tie the score at 95-95 on a fast-break layup by Sparrow with 1:49 to play.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

In other games, Cleveland trounced Miami 123-109, Detroit overtimed Indiana 108-100, Boston handled Houston 108-95, Milwaukee defeated Atlanta 105-93, Utah stunned Orlando 106-91, the LA Lakers thumped Denver 141-121, Phoenix edged Chicago 109-107, San Antonio outran Minnesota 114-110 and the LA Clippers outlasted New Jersey 99-90.

Cavs 123, Heat 109

At Richfield, Ohio, Larry Nance scored 27 points and Mark Price added 26 points and 10 assists to lead Cleveland. The point totals were season highs for both Nance and Price. Miami, losers of four straight, were led by Rony Seikaly's 27 points and nine rebounds. The Cavs are 5-0 at home.

Pistons 108, Pacers 100

At Indianapolis, Isiah Thomas scored 32 points, eight of them in overtime, to rally Detroit to its fifth straight victory. Thomas opened overtime with back-to-back 3-point shots. The Pistons have beaten Indiana eight straight times, including a sweep of last year's first- round playoff series.

Celtics 108, Rockets 95

At Boston, Kevin McHale scored 32 points and Larry Bird pulled down 15 rebounds to go along with 18 points, helping the Celtics extend their winning streak to four. Houston has not won at Boston Garden since 1981. The Rockets, coming off a rout of the Knicks in New york, are 1-4 on the road.

Bucks 105, Hawks 93

At Milwaukee, Ricky Pierce scored 25 points and Jack Sikma added 24, helping the Bucks send Atlanta to its sixth straight loss. The Hawks' Moses Malone hit his first field-goal attempt to become the seventh player in NBA history to score 25,000 points. Wilt Chamberlain is first on the list with 38,387.

Jazz 106, Magic 91

At Salt Lake City, Karl Malone scored 32 points, leading six Utah players in double figures, to power the Jazz. Utah pulled away in the fourth, holding Orlando to 21 percent shooting. Utah shot 65 percent in the final 12 minutes. Terry Catledge paced Orlando with 18 points and Nick Anderson added 16.

Lakers 141, Nuggets 121

At Inglewood, Calif., James Worthy scored 29 points and Magic Johnson added 22 and 18 assists to lead the Lakers, who reached the .500 mark for the first time this season. Denver fell to 1-10, losing their last two games to the Lakers. Orlando Woolridge led the Nuggets with 28 points and rookie Chris Jackson added 23.

Phoenix 109, Chicago 107

At Phoenix, Kevin Johnson hit an off-balance jump shot at the buzzer to give the Suns the victory. Jeff Hornacek led Phoenix with 24 points, followed by Kevin Johnson with 18 and Tom Chambers with 17. Michael Jordan led all scorers with 34 points, but had only two points in the fourth quarter.

Spurs 114, Timberwolves 100

At San Antonio, Texas, David Robinson helped the Spurs to a quick start. The Spurs jumped to a 14-point lead after one quarter and maintained a comfortable cushion for most of the night with Robinson scoring 30 points and Terry Cummings adding 23 for the Spurs.

Clippers 99, Nets 90

At Los Angeles, Charles Smith hit 13 of 20 shots and scored 27 of his season-high 34 points in the second half, lifting the Clippers. The loss extended the Nets' record-setting winless mark on the road to 34 straight games. The Nets held a 72-71 lead after three quarters, but Smith pumped in 15 points in the last quarter to rally the Clippers.

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DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (NOV. 22) UPI - President Bush told American troops they will be stationed in the Persian Gulf until Saddam Hussein is out of Kuwait and warned that every day Saddam is closer to ''his goal of a nuclear weapons arsenal.''

Bush, spending Thanksgiving Day with U.S. forces stationed in the volatile gulf, told military personnel in the area in three separate speeches that they are there to send a message to ''any would-be Saddam Husseins that the world will not tolerate tyrants.''

In his final speech, Bush told some 1,500 U.S. Marines, Navy Sea Bees and British ''Desert Rats'' gathered in the sand under a mid-afternoon sun, ''We want every single troop home. We want every Brit to be able to go home as soon as possible. We want every single American home.

''And this I promise,'' Bush added. ''No American will be kept in the gulf a single day longer than necessary, but we won't pull punches. We are not here on some exercise. This is a real world situation. And we're not walking away until our mission is done, until the invader is out of Kuwait and that may well be where you come in.''

His remarks were greeted with enthusiastic cheers and one soldier was heard to say, ''Well, let us do it.''

Bush also warned about a Saddam armed with nuclear weapons.

''Every day that passes brings Saddam one step closer to realizing his goal of a nuclear weapons arsenal,'' Bush said, standing in front of military tanks, trucks and jeeps. ''And that's why more and more your mission is marked by a real sense of urgency. You know, no one knows precisely when this dictator may acquire atomic weapons or exactly who they may be aimed at down the road, but we do know this for sure, he's never possessed a weapon that he didn't use.''

Bush, looking tired after only 4 hours of sleep, stood in line with the troops to get a cup of coffee.

''Thank you, sir, for showing up here in the desert and showing your support '' 2nd Lt. Emiciades Alcon, 23, of Fort Benning, Ga., told her commander in chief. The president responded, ''That's what Woody Allen said; 90 percent of life is showing up.''

The President and Mrs. Bush later flew on to Cairo, arriving at 7:40 p.m. (1:40 p.m. EST), and were greeted by Egyptian President and Mrs. Hosni Mubarak. The Bushes spent the night at Qubba Palace where a formal welcoming ceremony will be staged Friday morning before the two chief executives begin formal talks.

On his final stop in Saudi Arabia, Bush summed up his day.

''I learned a lot about the kids, looking them in the eye, and seeing how highly motivated they are,'' Bush said. ''They're strong and tough and I'm very moved today, I'll tell you.''

Bush said he detected that the American troops in the Persian Gulf are ''here to do something and they want to do it fast.''

''I've been very moved and motivated by this,'' Bush said. ''We'll go the extra mile for peace.''

Bush said everyone is upset about the treatment of innocent lives, ''I'm darned upset. I'll admit it. It was a very emotional day.''

The first lady posed for photos for anybody who asked, even coaching them where to stand. She told E4 Kelly Fischer of El Paso to take her glasses off and she put arms around Fischer's waist. ''I admire her very much,'' Fischer said of Mrs. Bush. ''In fact I wanted to see her more than I wanted to see the president. That's a terrible thing to say.''

Earlier Bush said the 230,000 U.S. military personnel stationed in the gulf have ''spearheaded what history will judge as one of the most important deployments of military power in the last half century.

''You've done it for principle,'' said Bush, the first president to visit front-line U.S. troops since Richard Nixon's trip to South Vietnam in 1969. ''You've done it for freedom and you've done it to make America proud. And so I've come out here today, personally, to thank you the men and women who have endured much and sacrificed more to stand tall against aggression.

''Simply put, we are here to guarantee that freedom is protected and that Iraq aggression will not be rewarded,'' Bush said to cheers. ''We must send a signal to any would-be Saddam Husseins, that the world will not tolerate tyrants who violate every standard of civilized behavior, invading, bullying and swallowing whole a peaceful neighbor. We will not tolerate the raping and the brutalizing and the kidnapping and the killing of innocent civilians. And

we will not tolerate those who try to starve out foreign embassies, breaking a diplomatic code of conduct that has been in place for centuries.''

The president sent a strong message to Saddam: ''I say today, free the hostages, all the hostages and free them today or you are going to pay the price.''

Bush arrived in the Saudi desert after several days of pressing a diplomatic effort to solidify and build on the international coalition against Iraq. The president had lobbied for a U.N. resolution to authorize military force against Iraq if Saddam does not unconditionally withdraw his troops from Kuwait.

On Wednesday, Bush was greeted by King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and began a series of critical meetings with Middle Eastern leaders, including a session Friday with Syria's President Hafez Al-Assad in Geneva.

Bush met first at the spectacular al-Hambra Palace with the exiled emir of Kuwait, Sheik Jabir al-Alhmad al-Jabir al-Sabah, and later with Fahd.

A confident Bush, buttressed by international backing, declared: ''The window of opportunity for Saddam Hussein is right now. And he should withdraw unconditionally from Kuwait right now.

''The pressure is increasing on Saddam Hussein, and if he doesn't understand it now, he will soon,'' Bush told a news conference.

Standing next to the emir, the president said the two had agreed the situation should be resolved peacefully, but added, ''We also agreed that all options remained open and that steps needed to be taken right now in order to make these options credible and effective.''

He said he came away from the meeting ''more committed than ever'' to the stand against Saddam and predicted that further action by the United Nations, possibly a resolution allowing the use of force against Iraq, would soon be forthcoming. U.S. officials said work on generating enough support for a resolution is an ''ongoing process'' that was ''making progress.''

Secretary of State James Baker, also touring the Middle East, warned against the ''siren song of partial solutions'' and rejected the idea of any concessions and restated that nations aligned against Iraq ''should not rule out force'' as an option. ''We have to make it a credible option and a political option,'' said Baker, who traveled to Yemen while Bush shared traditional turkey and trimmings with the troops in Saudi Arabia.

Yemen later this month assumes the chairmanship of the U.N. Security Council, which has passed 10 resolutions condemning Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion and subsequent occupation of Kuwait and has imposed economic sanctions.

Bush refused to discuss specifics of a new move, but he noted U.S. efforts to date to win backing for a force resolution. ''I would expect that there would be yet another resolution strongly against Saddam Hussein,'' Bush said.

Bush also said the emir had shown him more pictures ''of the treatment of Kuwaitis so cruel and so brutal that it just turns your stomach.''

''It is a moving and touching and horrible story,'' he said. ''And I come away from this conversation more committed than ever to seeing this cruel occupation come to an end and those responsible for this violence called to account.''

The president's remarks followed a White House announcement that Bush would meet with Assad, a long a thorn in the U.S. side for his support of terrorists but currently an ally in the gulf standoff.

Syria has very close ties with Iran, and Bush's talks with Assad were expected to determine whether that country could be brought into the coalition fold. Syria also is believed to have some indirect influence over some of the hostage-takers in Lebanon, but White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the purpose of the talks will be to discuss the situation in the gulf.

Syria, which remains on the U.S. list of countries that sponsor international terrorism, has long been a bitter rival of Iraq and has sent troops and tanks to Saudi Arabia to join the anti-Saddam coalition spearheaded by the United States.

Bush defended his meeting with Assad because of his role as ''a coalition partner. ... I have no problem sitting down with him for this common objective '' he said.

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LONDON (NOV. 22) UPI - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, under fire in her own Conservative Party for her aggressive opposition to greater European Community integration, announced Thursday she would resign after 11 1/2 years in power.

Thatcher, reeling from a serious blow to her leadership, said she believed the Conservative Party would best be served by her resignation.

''Having consulted with leaders and my colleagues, I have concluded that the unity of the party and the prospect of victory in a general election would be better served if I stepped down to enable Cabinet colleagues to enter the ballot for the leadership,'' said Thatcher, the longest serving prime minister this century.

''I would like to thank all those in the Cabinet and outside who have given me such dedicated support.''

Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd and Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major both announced they will try to succeed her as party leader, joining renegade Conservative Michael Heseltine on the ballot scheduled for next Tuesday.

Heseltine, 57, dealt the blow to Thatcher that will end an era in British politics. He failed to end her 15-year tenure as head of the Conservative Party in a party vote Tuesday but mustered enough votes to force a second ballot that could have swept her from power next week.

Thatcher had declared, '' I fight on, I fight to win'' Wednesday, but waivered when her Cabinet and others pressured her to resign for the good of the party.

Thatcher, 65, told an early morning Cabinet meeting and Queen Elizabeth II she would resign as soon as a new leader is selected.

She reportedly told cabinet members ''it's a funny old world,'' that she had won three general elections, had support from a majority of the country and Conservative MPs but questions were still being raised about her political future.

Thatcher's decision was viewed by pundits as bad news for Heseltine, whom the prime minister did not want to succeed her. Either Hurd or Major was viewed as a more likely successor than the man nicknamed ''Tarzan,'' who resigned from the Cabinet in 1986 to protest the government's refusal to intervene and save Britain's only helicopter service.

Heseltine said Thatcher ''led the country with distinction'' through the 1980s but a change is needed for the 1990s.

The lord chancellor, Lord McKie, expressed ''profound sadness'' at Thatcher's announcement. He said she served the country well, reforming its floundering economy and leading the country to victory in the 1982 Falklands War with Argentina.

Neil Kinnock, opposition Labor Party leader, had filed a motion of no confidence in the government that was scheduled to be debated in Parliament Thursday afternoon.

Kinnock said he would pursue the motion, but said Thatcher's announcement, ''is very good news indeed. It's news that I have been waiting for and millions of people in Britain have been waiting for for a long time. We should have a general election very soon because apart from my own delight, it is the British people who must decide on the government.''

The government is required to call a nationwide election by mid-1992. Conservative Party leaders have been concerned that Thatcher's leadership style, perceived by some as abrasive and unyielding, would cost them the general election and pressured her to step down.

Thatcher alienated many party members with her vehement opposition to greater European Community integration and a common European currency.

Markets rallied on the news of Thatcher's resignation, the Financial Times 100-share index rising 26 points to 2152.3.

Thatcher faced the first serious challenge to her party leadership this week when Heseltine made a bid to topple her.

She received 204 votes from Conservative MPs in a first ballot Tuesday, four votes short of the 208, or 65 percent, needed to turn back Heseltine's challenge. Heseltine received 152 votes and 16 members abstained.

The winner would have needed a simple majority of 187 votes in a second ballot and Thatcher's campaign managers feared she would fall short.

With three candidates now in the running, the balloting will continue until someone receives a majority of the votes.

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#90326u0242 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (NOV. 22) UPI - Rescue workers recovered the bodies of all 38 people, at least two of them Americans, killed aboard a small airliner that crashed in a rainstorm on a resort island in the Gulf of Thailand, police said Thursday.

''We have now recovered 38 bodies and we are trying to identify them, '' said a police officer at the main police station on Samui Island, 300 miles south of Bangkok.

''There are no survivors,'' he said.

Officials of the small privately owned Bangkok Airways said 33 passengers and five crew members were aboard the plane when it took off from Bangkok for the popular beach resort island.

Police have tentatively identified 33 victims, including five Japanese, two Americans, four Australians, one Dutch, five Swedes, five Germans, two Italians, one Finnish and eight Thais (including five crew), said the officer who declined to give his name.

The police officer said the bodies would be brought to the mainland later

Thursday and flown to Bangkok for further examination and identification.

A U.S. embassy official in Bangkok said two American citizens had been identified among the dead, but their names could not be released until family members were notitified. Police identified the Americans as Mr. K. Lincoln and Ms. B. Lincoln, without providing any further details.

An Australian Embassy consular official said four Australians were aboard the plane and the families of two, B. Rodin and A. Kinsett-Smith of Melbourne, had been notified.

Italian and German officials said several of the names on the passenger list indicated their citizens were aboard the plane but were not able to confirm any identities or nationalities.

Initial reports said the crash of the 37-seat, Dash-8 turboprop plane was caused by a fierce rainstorm that also capsized several fishing boats.

Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan said he had ordered an immediate investigation into the cause of the crash. He said he feared such incidents would hurt Thailand' s booming tourist industry.

Prasert Prasart-thong-osoth, chairman of the board of the airline, traveled to Samui early Thursday. He said the plane was insured and compensation of about $12,000 would be paid for each of the victims.

He refused to make any further comment on the crash, the first experienced by the airline.

Bangkok Airways is small airline that operates on six internal routes and recently began flights to Phnom Penh in neighboring Cambodia.

The crash was the third civilian airline disaster in Thailand in the past three years.

A Vietnam Airlines jet crashed in a rainstorm near Bangkok in September 1988, killing 76 people.

At the end of August 1987, a Thai Airways plane carrying tourists to Phuket, another southern Thai beach resort, crashed into the sea, killing all 83 people aboard in Thailand' s worst- ever aircrash.

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#90326u0254 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (NOV. 22) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and his Chinese counterpart, Qian Qichen, will meet Friday in a Chinese border province, presumably to discuss this week's European summit, Soviet Embassy

officials said.

Soviet sources in Beijing said Shevardnadze planned to depart Moscow late Thursday and fly overnight to Alma-Ata, capital of the central Asian republic Kazakhstan, then continue Friday to China's remote western Xinjiang province.

The morning meeting was to be held in the Xinjiang capital, Urumqi.

Qian made no mention of the meeting during a public appearance Thursday with Spanish Foreign Minister Francisco Fernandez Ordonez and a spokesman for China's foreign ministry also declined to comment.

But Soviet Embassy spokesman Yuri Lyssenko said that as far as he knew the meeting would take place as scheduled.

''They will be meeting in the morning in Urumqi. Its true,'' Lyssenko said.

The spokesman said he did not know the agenda for the Qian- Shevardnadze meeting but said it was likely to include the historic European summit.

Shevardnadze returned to Moscow Wednesday from Paris, where earlier this week leaders of the 34-member Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe met to sign treaties formally ending the Cold War.

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#90326u0259 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 22) UPI - President Bush arrived in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, Thursday to spend part of the American holiday of Thanksgiving with his troops, while Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz flew to the Persian Gulf state of Oman.

Aziz is the first Iraqi official to visited a gulf country since the crisis was triggered aug. 2 by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, and it fueled speculation Iraq was seeking Oman's help in resolving the standoff.

Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency said Aziz was to meet with Oman's sultan, Sheikh Qaboos Bin Said, a pro-western leader who played an important role in negotiating the end of the 1980-1988 Gulf War between Iran and Iraq.

The agency said Aziz carried a message from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to to Qaboos, but did not report its contents.

Bush's campaign to win support for the possible use of force against Iraq was expected to be put to the test later Thursday during a meeting with Egyptian leaders, who have balked at the prospect of a U.N. Security Council resolution authorizing military action in the region.

''Egypt is keen to preserve Iraq as a state and a people and to avoid the catastrophes for the region that a destructive war would bring,'' Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid said in Cairo Wednesday on the eve of Bush's scheduled visit to Egypt.

Meguid said ''Egypt will continue its efforts for a peaceful settlement of the Iraq-Kuwait dispute even if the Security Council issues a resolution approving the use of force against Iraq'' for its invasion of Kuwait.

Meguid's dovish remarks and his referral to Iraq's invasion as a dispute, suggested Bush may be losing the enthusiastic backing on his most prominent Arab ally.

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, who has also expressed reluctance to solve the crisis with a military strike, called in Paris for an urgent meeting of the Security Council, warning that the gulf situation has become ''very serious.''

One regional observer said Meguid's remarks indicate Egypt would not allow its 20,000 troops deployed with Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia to take part in a U.S.-led military strike against Iraq.

Last week, Egypt and Syria asked the United States to delay the military option for three months to give Iraqi President Saddam Hussein time to pull out of Kuwait, which his troops invaded Aug. 2.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, a staunch supporter of the U.S.- dominated multinational force confronting Iraq, said in remarks published last week that Egyptian troops would not fight against Iraq, but would be prepared to play a peace-keeping role in Kuwait.

The new developments came as Bush headed from Paris for the Middle East at the end of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe for his first talks with major Arab allies since Iraq invaded Kuwait and to inspect U.S. troops.

He was met by King Fahd at the airport in the Saudi Red Sea port of Jeddah Wednesday evening and spoke later with the exiled emir of Kuwait.

Bush and first lady Barbara Bush were to attend Thanksgiving services Thursday with U.S. and British troops at several locations in the Saudi desert and at sea.

In a surprise move, it was announced Bush would meet with Syrian President Hafez Assad in Geneva Friday on his way back to Washington.

Syria and the United States have had strained relations because Syria is on the U.S. list of countries that support terrorism, but Assad has been a harsh

critic of Iraq and has deployed troops to Saudi Arabia to serve alongside American soldiers.

Bush flew to the gulf after appearing to make progress in his diplomatic efforts against Saddam as Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said the time was ripe for the U.N. to take further action to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

''I've said all along we're on the same wavelength with the Soviet Union,'' Bush told reporters in Paris. ''I think we have good synchronization with them and many other nations as we face the problems of the gulf.''

Shevardnadze said: ''I think the time has come for the Security Council to sum up - to take stock of things and to pass a proper judgment on what has been done in respect to implementation of the already passed resolutions. And, if there is a need, then adopt new resolutions with a view toward implementing all the previously passed decisions.''

In a related development, Secretary of State James Baker was to fly to Yemen Thursday in a bid to persuade Yemeni leaders to go along with any U.N. resolutions sanctioning force against Iraq, Arab radio stations said.

Yemen is one of a handful of Arab states supporting Iraq and it is to assume the rotating presidency of the Security Council next month. But the recently unified state said it could be persuaded to vote against Iraq on some issues.

In Paris, French President Francois Mitterrand said France is ''ready to take part in a discussion'' on a U.N. resolution on force against Iraq but cautioned that armed intervention would not ''automatically'' follow.

In Cairo, Mubarak continued extensive consultations with pro-Kuwaiti Arab ministers and other officials before meeting Bush on Friday, Cairo Radio said.

Baghdad Radio reported Wednesday 238 Iranian prisoners of war left Baghdad for Tehran aboard a special Iraqi airliner as part of a wider agreement ending their 1980-88 war. Iran said 5,000 Iraqi POWS have sought political asylum and refuse to return to Iraq.

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#90326u0287 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon (NOV. 22) UPI - The Christian hardline Lebanese Forces militia, yielding to government pressure, announced Thursday it will relinquish its strongholds in the capital, paving the way for Lebanese soldiers to establish a militia-free unified Beirut.

''We have completed final touches on the Greater Beirut (security) plan and all obstacles have been removed,'' LF spokesman George Abdel Massih told United Press International.

Abdel Massih expected the militia to withdraw its forces and heavy weapons from the Christian neighborhood of Ashrafiyeh and the seaside LF headquarters in Karantina later Thursday or early Friday.

''The army troops will be deployed either at midnight or early tomorrow but it is up to the government to set the zero hour,'' he said.

But LF sources confirmed that the withdrawal of its forces and the army deployment will start simultaneously at 3 p.m. local time.

The LF decision came after a night-long meeting at the temporary presidential headquarters in the mainly Moslem sector of west Beirut among President Elias Hrawi, army commander Emile Lahoud and a Christian militia delegation.

Official sources said the conferees agreed to a security plan to demilitarize Beirut following negotiations that lasted till dawn.

The sources said the implementation of the accord will start immediately after day-long ''Independence Day'' celebrations and will be completed early Friday.

The nation celebrated Independence Day as the Lebanese army held a military parade in the Syrian-policed west Beirut and warplanes and helicopters repeatedly roared over the city.

Lebanon gained independence from France in 1943 but since then an independent peaceful Christian-Moslem co-existence has remained fragile.

Defense Minister Albert Mansour said the establishment of a unified Beirut will be the government's ''gift for all Lebanese on Independence Day.''

Hrawi's government had set Nov. 19 as a deadline for the withdrawal of all militias and deployment of the Lebanese army to maintain law-and- order in unified Beirut.

But LF cmmander Samir Geagea has linked disbanding of his militia in east Beirut to the presence of pro-Syrian militia groups in the area.

Political sources said Geagea, a Maronite, also demanded that troops from the army's mainly Maronite Fifth brigade be deployed inside Ashrafiyeh.

Lahoud, a strict nationalist, expressed opposition to any army deployment involving sectarian considerations, the sources said.

The estimated 35,000-man Lebanese army was split along sectarian lines as a result of the civil war, but Lahoud has appeared bent on injecting nationalistic spirit among the war-battered regulars.

Moslem militia groups have recently disbanded in mainly Moslem regions of the city in line of the government strategy to restore law and order. But Geagea has refused to relinquish Ashrafiyeh and nearby areas.

Geagea's media organizations highlighted recurring kidnappings of Christian citizens in east Beirut by followers of Syrian-backed Christian militiamen.

Traditional Christian powers, notably Geagea, the Maronite Patriarch Narsrallah Sfair and Phalange leader George Saadeh, have rebuffed the spillover of Syrian-Backed Christian gunmen into east Beirut.

Gunmen of the Syrian Social National Party, the SSNP and Christian militia chief Elie Hobeika established positions in east Beirut after Christian military leader Michel Aoun was toppled Oct. 13.

Hrawi, in a speech on the eve of Independence Day, said, ''Greater Beirut is designed to stop the war. It will be established as long as Lebanese keep faith in this project.

''And no one will be able to obstruct this plan. This is the stage of great achievments.''

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BONN, Germany (NOV. 22) UPI - German Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Thursday that Iraq is ''playing with fire'' by holding foreigners and that a swift solution of the hostage question is essential if a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis is to be found.

''We hope that by Christmas - the celebration of peace for all Christians - all foreign hostages will be allowed to leave (Iraq and Kuwait),'' Kohl told the Bundestag, the federal parliament.

The German leader briefed deputies about the three-day summit of the 34-member Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe that ended in Paris Wednesday.

He said the gulf crisis was a major topic during the summit.

''All my discussion partners in the last few days have stressed international solidarity. This convincing position of solidarity includes everyone's wish to seek a peaceful solution. None of us wants war,'' he said.

But he said ''whoever wants a peaceful solution, whoever wants to rule out a military conflict, must know that a solution of the hostage question has highest priority. And the Iraqi leadership must know that by continuing to hold foreigners in Kuwait and Iraq, it is considerably increasing the conflict and is playing with fire.''

Kohl welcomed the announcement that all Germans still held by Iraq will be released in a few days, but stressed that ''our efforts were always aimed at the release of all hostages from all nations.''

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said Tuesday that Germans - about 180 are still held - will be allowed to leave, a gesture he said was intended to demonstrate support for Kohl's repeated calls for a negotiated settlement and against a military solution to the conflict triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Germany has no troops in the gulf, because its constitution does not allow for a military deployment outside the immediate theater of NATO operations.

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(NOV. 22) - THURSDAY'S NBA BOX SCORES

CHICAGO (107)

Grant 5-9 1-2 11, Pippen 9-16 0-0 19, Cartwright 6-14 3-4 15, Jordan 15-32 4-4 34, Paxson 3-6 3-4 10, King 3-6 2-3 8, Armstrong 4- 6 2-2 10, Hopson 0-4 0-0 0 Perdue 0-0 0-0 0, Hodges 0-1 0-0 0, Levingston 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 45-95 15-19 107.

PHOENIX (109)

Battle 1-3 4-4 6, Chambers 7-18 3-4 17, West 1-2 1-2 3, Hornacek 9-17 5-6 24, K.Johnson 4-11 10- 11 18, E.Johnson 4-11 2-2 10, Rambis 2-5 3-4 7, Knight 1-5 6-10 8, Majerle 5-11 2-2 12, Nealy 2- 2 0-0 4. Totals 36-85 36-45 109.

Chicago	33	24	28	22-107
Phoenix	20	40	18	31-109

Three-point goals-Pippen, Paxson; Hornacek. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Chicago 28, Phoenix 23. Rebounds-Chicago 48 (Cartwright 12), Phoenix 44 (Rambis 10). Assists-Chicago 19 (Pippen, Jordan, Paxson 4), Phoenix 21 (K.Johnson 10). Technicals-Chicago (illegal defense). A- 14,487.

ORLANDO (91)

Catledge 7-18 4-7 18, Reynolds 2-6 1-2 6, Kite 3-4 0-0 6, Vincent 4-11 2-3 10, Anderson 7-13 2-2 16, Scott 3-10 0-0 9, Skiles 2-7 1-1 6, Wright 3-8 0-1 6, Turner 1-1 0-0 2, Smith 3-6 2-3 8, Ansley 2-5 0-0 4. Totals 37-89 12-19 91.

UTAH (106)

K.Malone 13-17 6-12 32, Eaton 1-4 2-2 4, Stockton 4-13 3-3 11, J.Malone 5-10 3-3 13, Edwards 3-6 4-6 10, Brown 2-2 1-2 5, Rudd 1-1 0-0 2, Bailey 4-14 5-5 13, Griffith 6-8 2-2 16. Totals 39-75 26-35 106.

Orlando	18	31	24	18	91
Utah	27	21	24	34	106

Three-point goals-Reynolds, Scott 3, Skiles; Griffith 2. Fouled out-None. Total fouls- Orlando 27, Utah 19. Rebounds-Orlando 45 (Catledge 9), Utah 40 (K.Malone 14). Assists-Orlando 19 (Reynolds, Skiles 6), Utah 29 (Stockton 13). Technicals-Orlando (illegal defense); K.Malone. A-12,616.

NEW JERSEY (90)

Morris 5-14 0-0 10, Coleman 8-18 7-8 23, Bowie 1-13 0-0 2, Blaylock 8-17 1-1 17, Theus 9-15 8-9 26, Haley 2-5 0-0 4, Lee 0-1 0-0 0, Dudley 2-7 2-4 6, Gervin 0-1 0-0 0, Buechler 0-0 0-0 0, Conner 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 36-92 18-22 90.

LA CLIPPERS (99)

Norman 5-7 0-0 10, Smith 13-20 8-11 34, Benjamin 5-13 0-0 10, Grant 3-11 1-2 7 Kimble 6-15 7-8 19, Garland 5-10 1-2 11, Garrick 0-1 0-0 0, Vaught 2-5 0-0 4, Ball 1-3 0-0 2, Bannister 1- 2 0-1 2, Martin 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 41-88 17-26 99.

New Jersey	18	26	28	18	90
LA Clippers	29	12	30	28	99

Three-point goals-None. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-New Jersey 23, Clippers 23. Rebounds-New Jersey 45 (Coleman 11), Clippers 47 (Vaught 11). Assists-New Jersey 18 (Bowie, Blaylock 5), Clippers 28 (Grant 14)). Technicals-Clippers (illegal defense 2). A-10,335.

DENVER (121)

Lane 7-11 0-3 14, Woolridge 12-22 4-5 28, Rasmussen 4-11 2-2 10, Adams 6-15 4-6 19, Lichti 5-15 3-3 13, Davis 3-8 2-2 8, Jackson 10- 20 2-2 23, Cook 2-8 0-1 4, A.Johnson 1-1 0-0 2, Dunn 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 50-112 17-24 121.

LA LAKERS (141)

Perkins 7-8 0-1 14, Worthy 13-18 3-6 29, Divac 5-8 2-2 12, M.Johnson 6-12 9-9 22, Scott 9-18 1-3 19, Green 6-10 3-6 15, Thompson 0-1 6-8 6, Drew 4-8 1-2 9, Teagle 5-8 1-1 11, Brown 0-0 0-0 0, Campbell 1-1 2-3 4, Smith 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 56-92 28-41 141.

Denver	26	29	35	31	121
LA Lakers	39	31	34	37	141

Three-point goals-Adams 3, Jackson; M.Johnson. Fouled out-Rasmussen. Total fouls-Denver 30, LA Lakers 21. Rebounds- Denver 32 (Woolridge 9), LA Lakers 53 (Perkins 13). Assists-Denver 36 (Adams 9), LA Lakers 39 (M.Johnson 18). Technicals- Denver (illegal defense 2). A-15,941.

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(NOV. 22) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	54	30	....
Anchorage c	13	-05	....
Asheville cy	67	34	....
Atlanta mc	69	51	....
Baltimore pc	56	32	....
Billings wy	45	32	....
Birmingham cy	74	48	....
Bismarck cy	48	21	....
Boston cy	50	32	....
Brownsville cy	86	70	....
Buffalo sh	51	47	....
Burlington Vt. sh	40	24	....
Charleston S.C. sy	67	58	....
Charlotte pc	66	41	....
Chicago sy	66	35	.18
Cincinnati r	70	56	.14
Cleveland r	59	55	.04
Columbus Ohio r	65	55	....
Dallas mc	76	62	.10
Denver pc	50	27	....
Des Moines sy	74	32	....
Detroit r	61	36	.37
Duluth pc	64	28	....
El Paso pc	65	47	....
Evansville cy	74	58	.46
Fargo pc	56	24	....
Hartford cy	52	27	....
Honolulu pc	86	76	.09
Houston cy	82	67	....
Indianapolis pc	73	49	.56
Jackson Miss. ts	80	54	....
Jacksonville sy	77	57	....
Kansas City sy	71	34	.01
Las Vegas sy	60	35	....
Little Rock r	71	63	.53
Los Angeles sy	67	53	....
Louisville r	74	57	.13

Memphis sh	74	65	....
Miami Beach pc	75	71	.02
Milwaukee sy	65	37	.12
Minneapolis pc	67	27	....
Nashville sh	74	57	....
New Orleans sh	78	54	....
New York pc	55	39	....
Oklahoma Cty pc	73	45	....
Omaha sy	68	30	....
Orlando sy	79	57	....
Philadelphia pc	56	35	....
Phoenix sy	71	50	....
Pittsburgh sh	56	47	....
Portland Me. mc	49	24	....
Portland Ore. r	50	49	.07
Providence cy	51	28	....
Richmond pc	60	33	....
St. Louis pc	75	43	.20
Salt Lake City pc	37	31	....
San Antonio cy	83	71	....
San Diego sy	66	50	....
San Francisco sy	58	45	....
San Juan pc	87	75	.71
Seattle wy	53	43	.37
Spokane w	42	35	.06
Tampa sy	81	55	....
Washington pc	56	38	....
Wichita sy	71	30	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
pc-partly cloudy
mc-mostly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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UMTATA, South Africa (NOV. 22) UPI - Soldiers in the nominally independent South African black homeland of Transkei crushed a pre-dawn coup attempt Thursday in heavy fighting that left the rebel leader and at least 15 others dead, Maj. Gen. Bantu Holomisa said.

The coup leader, Lt. Col. Craig Duli, was killed Thursday afternoon when troops loyal to Holomisa stormed the main government building where the rebels had holed up after failing to take control of the military base outside the capital of Umtata in a battle that began about 3 a.m.

Eleven other rebels and four government troops were killed and an undetermined number of people injured, said Holomisa, who accused Pretoria of complicity in the bid to unseat him.

The building housing the offices of the ruling military council suffered extensive damage when loyal troops opened fire on the 11th floor rebel holdouts.

The 35-year-old Holomisa, a strong supporter of the African National Congress who has ruled the southeast coastal homeland of 4 million Xhosas, said Duli was aided by 25 to 30 troops, apparently based outside Transkei.

Asked by independent Capital Radio if he thought Pretoria was involved in the coup attempt, Holomisa replied, ''There is no doubt about that.''

But South African Foreign Minister R.F. Pik Botha earlier ''categorically'' denied his officials in the Transkei knew of the rebels' plans.

Through much of the morning, Duli holed up in Holomisa's offices on the 11th floor of the government building. As troops loyal to Holomisa carried out mopping up operations, officials tried to persuade Duli to surrender. At 11 a.m., Holomisa gave the order to use force.

After announcing the coup had been crushed, Holomisa appeared calm in the garden of his residence, where he spent most of the day granting telephone interviews, sparring with Pretoria and directing his forces.

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DALLAS (NOV. 22) UPI - Animal rights activists saved Fred from the Thanksgiving dinner table.

Fred, a 2-year-old, 40-pound turkey, was rescued from a date with a carving knife after he was found at a Canton, Texas, flea market and sold for $12 to the Fund for the Animals, Inc.

''We can keep all the tradition, fond memories and good taste without eating the birds,'' said Dana Forbes, Texas director for the animal- rights group that this month offered a reprieve for turkeys in a ''Thanksgiving Amnesty'' program.

Forbes said about 21 turkeys were spared statewide through the ''amnesty program.'' The turkeys will be taken to the group's Black Beauty Ranch near Murchison, Texas, where many other abandoned animals live out their lives.

Apparently many Texans are not as sympathetic, however. About 1.2 million turkeys were expected to be eaten in Texas on Thanksgiving, according to Texas A&M University.

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#90326u0371 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 22) UPI - British Prime Minister Thatcher announced today she will resign. Thatcher, reeling from a serious blow to her leadership, declared just yesterday that would ''fight to win'' in the toughest, and perhaps last, big battle of her political career.

President Bush arrived in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, this morning to spend what he called a Thanksgiving ''day of peace'' with front-line U-S troops. Bush told cheering Air Force personnel that U-S troops are in the Saudi desert to protect freedom, the future and innocent lives.

The president said the worldwide march for freedom is threatened by what he described as ''a classic bully'' who wants to get- quote- ''a choke hold on the world's economic lifeline.'' But, says Bush, Iraq's Saddam Hussein is ''making the mistake of his life.''

The Washington Post reports today that the Army is considering moves to shore up its deployment of troops in the Middle East. The newspaper says the Army plans to suspend retirements, trim vacations for trainees and halt transfers unrelated to the Persian Gulf crisis.

The Post says senior Defense Department officials have approved, but NOT yet implemented the moves. It says the plan would force tens of thousands of soldiers to remain in uniform despite their desire to return to civilian life.

The stituation is still unclear in the South African black homeland of the Transkei. State-run South African radio reports renegade soldiers mounted an apparent coup attempt yesterday, but the territory's military ruler says the rebellion was crushed.

Children attending an international summit in New York agreed that the threat to global peace is the greatest challenge facing the world. The youthful delegates from 27 countries ranked protecting youngsters from drugs and

feeding the hungry as the second greatest challenge.

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WARSAW, Poland (NOV. 22) UPI - The Polish media barged into the political campaign Thursday with an explosive attack on darkhorse independent presidential candidate Stanislaw Tyminski, suggesting he dodged military service because of mental disorders and has links to terrorists in Libya.

Tyminski, 42, a holder of Peruvian and Canadian passports, had a 21- point following in the latest government survey of support for Sunday's election, overtaking Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki with 17 points. Solidarity leader Lech Walesa was first with 27.

Both the Mazowiecki and Walesa camps have reacted sharply to the development. During a rally in the southeastern city of Lublin Wednesday, Walesa said he would leave Poland if Tyminski won Sunday's election.

And a high-ranking minister to Mazowiecki resigned to devote full time to the waning days of the campaign.

The independent Warsaw daily Zycie Warszawy, quoting an unspecified ''credible source,'' said Tyminski was exempted from military service in 1960 because he was mentally ill.

''The cause of his inability to serve in the army was psychic disease,'' said Zycie, which supports Mazowiecki.

''Among the symptoms were epilepsy with frequent attacks, intellect and behavior deviations, incorrect psychic personality and reactive psychosis,'' the article said.

''It's nonsense,'' said Elzbieta Bobrowska, a campaign aide to Tyminski. ''It's the trick of biting dog which is helpless.''

She said Tyminski was a 21-year-old student at the time at Warsaw Technical University and thus exempt from the draft.

Tyminski has already said he was allowed to leave Poland 21 years ago without serving in the army.

The independent Gazeta Wyborcza, which also supports Mazowiecki, said ''Tyminski visited one of the world centers of terrorism in Tripoli'' before each of seven previous visits to Poland.

Quoting Interior Ministry sources, Gazeta said his visa was issued by the Polish consulate in Tripoli in every case, and that he gave a false maiden

name for his mother on his visa applications.

The Tyminski aide said she had no information on that issue but considered it another campaign attack.

The former communist paper Trybuna, overjoyed with Tyminski's sudden success, said he broke a pre-arranged alignment of forces within Solidarity before the election.

''We are becoming the laughing stock for the world if we panic when Tyminski poses a danger to the two (main) candidates,'' Trybuna said. ''It's good that Tyminski rang a bell. He woke up those who thought they were the wisest and have all power.''

A supplement to Gazeta Wyborcza, Gazeta Stoleczna said negative campaigning by Walesa and Mazowiecki could be blamed for Tyminski's spectacular showing.

It noted Mazowiecki's propaganda depicted Walesa as wielding an axe after he once said he would use an axe if necessary to speed up reforms. Walesa, in turn, has described Mazowiecki as lacking in energy and unable to ''catch a flea.''

''What kind of a choice we have?'' Gazeta Stoleczna quoted one Pole as saying. ''A madman with an axe or an awkward one who is unable to catch a flea?''

Tyminski has skipped ideological issues in the campaign and instead promised quick success for business-minded Poles, who are tired of the deterioration of living standards which have plunged nearly 40 percent in 11 months.

Tyminski describes himself as a self-made millionaire who left Poland penniless and made fortunes in Canada and Peru.

He runs Transduction Ltd., a Toronto computer automation company that makes up to $550,000 annually, and a cable television station in Peru.

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#90326u0450 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 22) UPI - British Prime Minister Thatcher is resigning. The 65-year-old Thatcher, the longest serving prime minister this century, told an early morning Cabinet meeting in London that she'll step down as soon as a new leader is selected. Thatcher's announcement comes just days after her former defense minister, Michael Heseltine, dealt a serious blow to her leadership. Heseltine failed to end Thatcher's 15-year-tenure as head of the Conservative Party, but mustered enough votes from conservative members of Parliament to force a second ballot next week. Thatcher had vowed just yesterday to fight to victory.

President Bush today praised American troops in the Persian Gulf, saying they have ''spearheaded what history will judge as one of the most important deployments of military power in the last half century.'' Standing in the desert onThanksgiving Day, Bush told the cheering troops- ''We are here to guarantee that freedom is protected and that Iraq aggression will not be rewarded.''

The hundreds of thousands of service men and women abroad, especially those in Saudi Arabia, will be on the minds and in the prayers of many Americans today as the nation celebrates Thanksgiving. The hostages in the Middle East also are subjects of concern this Thanksgiving. Former hostage Frank Reed is celebrating his first holiday with his family after 44 months in captivity in Lebanon. But Reed says he can't really enjoy his freedom ''unless the rest of the hostages get out.''

In New York, the annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade will have its usual giant balloons in the form of comic characters and something new called falloons- a float and balloon combined. Some two-point-five- Million people are expected to line the parade route and 80-Million will watch on television. And thousands of other Ameicans will celebrate Thanksgiving with traditional turkey dinners, church services, turkey bowls and turkey races.

The military ruler of South Africa's black homeland of the Transkei says he's crushed a coup attempt by rebellious soldiers. Major General Bantu Holomisa, who seized power himself in a coup three years ago, says the mutinous troops have been repulsed and the coup leader- a disgruntled soldier- is trapped in the main government building. Residents of the capital of Umtata reported hearing gunfire, but there's NO word of casualties.

The Justice Department says a lawsuit challenging President Bush's authority to send troops to the Persian Gulf without congressional approval is NOT a matter for courts to decide. The Justice Department filed a brief in federal court in Washington late yesterday disputing a contention by lawyers for an Army National guardsman that the United States is on the verge of war. It said courts should NOT enter into such political debates. Guardsman Michael Ange sued the government, claiming President Bush has committed U-S forces to the Gulf in violation of the 1973 War Powers Act.

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#90326u0503 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 22) UPI - British Prime Minister Thatcher, reeling from a serious blow to her leadership, says she'll resign after 11-and-a-half years in power. The lord chancellor, Lord McKie, expressed ''profound sadness'' at Thatcher's announcement. He said she had served Britain well.

But opposition Labor Party leader Neil Kinnock called Thatcher's announcement ''very good news indeed.'' Kinnock had filed a motion of NO confidence in the

government, which was scheduled to be debated in Parliament this afternoon. He says he'll pursue the motion.

There was speculation that Tory leaders pressured Thatcher to stand aside for the good of the Conservative Party. Thatcher has alienated many party members with her aggressive opposition to greater European Community integration and a common European currency.

President Bush is spending Thanksgiving with American troops in the Persian Gulf. Standing before troops in the Saudi desert, Bush told U-S forces today that they are there to send a message to what he called ''any would-be Saddam Husseins that the world will NOT tolerate tyrants.''

The president sent a strong message to Saddam, declaring- ''I say today, free the hostages, all the hostages and free them today or you are going to pay the price.'' He called the multi-national force in the Gulf ''one of the most important deployments of military power in the last half century.''

Authorities in Thailand continue the grim task of identifying the bodies of 38 people who died in the crash of a small airliner yesterday about 300 miles south of Bangkok. Police say the Bangkok Airways plane crashed in a rainstorm on a resort island in the Gulf of Thailand.

A leader of the Soviet Union's largest republic is threatening NOT to sign a proposed unity pact with the central governement unless his state is given control over its own natural resources. The threat by Boris Yeltsin could spell trouble for Soviet President Gorbachev's plans to reorganize his nation.

Officials say a moderate earthquake jolted Alaska's Aleutian Islands... the second in as many days. The Pacific Tsunami Warning Center reports NO damage or injuries, but says the quake shook up the five-thousand Navy personnel and dependents at Adak Naval Air Station.

Rock 'n' roll legend Chuck Berry says he feels ''fantastic'' after a judge in St. Charles, Missouri, dropped child abuse charges against him. But the judge placed the 64-year-old Berry on two years' probation for misdemeanor possession of marijuana.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 22) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1. Colorado (45) (10-1-1) 804 2
2. Miami (3) (7-2) 700 3

3. Georgia Tech (4) (9-0-1)	658	5
4. Brigham Young (2) (9-1)	604	4
5. Texas (1) (8-1)	601	6
6. Nebraska (9-1)	490	9
7. Washington (9-2)	469	8
8. Notre Dame (8-2)	448	1
9. Florida State (8-2)	442	10
10. Penn State (8-2)	304	14
11. Iowa (8-2)	283	12
12. Tennessee (6-2-2)	263	13
13. Clemson (9-2)	136	15
14. Virginia (8-2)	105	7
15. Michigan (7-3)	97	16
16. Southern Cal (8-2-1)	38	19
17. (tie) Mississippi (8-2)	31	11
17. (tie) Ohio State (7-2-1)	31	18
19. Louisville (9-1-1)	27	17
20. Illinois (7-3)	14	24
21. Auburn (7-2-1)	12	21
22. Texas A&M (7-2-1)	10	20
23. (tie) San Jose St. (8-2-1)	9	NR
23. (tie) Michigan St. (6-3-1)	9	21
25. Baylor (6-3-1)	5	NR

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: Alabama, Louisiana Tech, Oregon, Southern Mississippi.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances or postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches. Those schools are Florida, Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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(NOV. 22) UPI - Worldwide reaction to Margaret Thatcher's resignation reflected admiration for her fierce determination and stunning achievements, tempered by widespread sentiment that it was time for her to go.

In resignation, as at the peak of her powers, the British prime minister left nobody speechless. The ''Iron Lady'' has long been described as stubborn, exasperating and often amusing, but never boring.

''On a personal note, I'll miss her because I value her counsel and the wisdom that comes from her long experience,'' President Bush said in Saudi Arabia while visiting American troops.

''She has been an outstanding prime minister for the United Kingdom and an outstanding friend of the United States,'' said Bush, whose predecessor, Ronald Reagan, was far closer to Thatcher.

Reagan, in a statement from his California home, said, ''Margaret Thatcher is truly a world statesman. Great Britain and indeed all the world should be thankful for the leadership of Margaret Thatcher.

''Margaret Thatcher was a completely reliable ally and was a partner of the greatest personal integrity. I could always count on her wise counsel, her firm support and her loyal friendship,'' Reagan said.

In Moscow, ''We will remember her for her great contribution to good relations between the West and the Soviet Union,'' said Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov.

The Soviets know Thatcher best by her famous remark, when Mikhail Gorbachev was still only a contender for the Soviet leadership, ''I think Mr. Gorbachev is a man we can do business with.''

Thatcher's resignation Thursday followed severe criticism within the Conservative Party over her combative opposition to European Community integration.

''I see an evolution of British policy over European affairs,'' said French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas. ''One can therefore expect a softening of that policy.''

The president of the EC Executive Commission, Jacques Delors, who has clashed repeatedly with Thatcher, expressed his ''greatest esteem'' for her despite their ''disagreements'' over Europe.

Others were not quite so diplomatic.

''I think she has been part of history for some time,'' said Voker Ruehe, secretary-general of German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Conservative Christian Union.

''I think it's the right time for her to step down,'' he said. ''It is the chance for a new beginning and a victory for the Conservative Party, which is very important for stability in Europe.''

The former Italian prime minister, Giovanni Spadolini, said Thatcher compiled an impressive record in her 11 years in office.

''We must render homage to the intrepid character of Mrs. Thatcher, who has shown a lofty quality and a stature that consecrates her in the history of her country,'' he said.

''I believe that every European citizen cannot forget the overall performance of one of the protagonists of the political life of recent years,'' said Spadolini, now the Italian Senate president.

The foreign policy spokesman for Denmark's governing conservatives seemed to sum up the overall reaction.

''Margaret Thatcher is a great and admirable figure in European politics. It is important that Europe has people like her as heads of state,'' the spokesman said. ''But it is natural that the Conservatives in Britain should want a change in leadership now. Everything has its time, and she has apparently had hers.''

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(NOV. 22) - THURSDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR:

FOOTBALL

Denver at Detroit, 12:30 p.m.

Washington at Dallas, 3 p.m.

HOCKEY

Winnipeg at NY Islanders, 7:35 p.m.

Los Angeles at Calgary, 9:35 p.m.

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(NOV. 22) UPI - British Prime Minister Thatcher is resigning under fire from her own Conservative Party after 11-and-a-half-years in power. Thatcher announced today that she'll step down as soon as a new leader is selected. Thatcher, who was dealt a serious blow to her leadership by party challenger Michael Heseltine, had declared just yesterday- ''I fight on, I fight to win.'' But she waivered when her Cabinet and others pressured her to resign for the good of the party.

British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd and Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major both announced today that they will try to succeed Thatcher as party

leader. Both are viewed as a more likely successor than Heseltine, who resigned from the Cabinet in 1986 to protest the government's refusal to intervene and save Britain's only helicopter service.

British opposition Labor Party leader Neil Kinnock hailed the news that Thatcher is quitting, calling it ''very good news indeed.'' Kinnock said Millions of peopel in British have been waiting for such an announcement for a long time. Kinnock has filed a motion of no confidence in the government that was scheduled to be debated in Parliament this afternoon. He says he'll pursue the motion.

Speaking against the backdrop of a military tank, truck and jeep, President Bush told some 15-hundred Marines in the Saudi desert today that U-S forces are there to protect America's future and innocent lives. And that means, the president said, ''standing up to aggression.'' In his third speech of the day, Bush said to loud cheers- ''The occupation of Kuwait will not stand.''

The president concluded his remarks by promising that NO American will be kept in the gulf a single day longer than necessary. But he added- ''we won't pull punches.'' Bush drew more loud cheers when he said U-S forces are- quoting now- ''NOT walking away until our mission is done, until the invader is out of Kuwait and that may well be where you come in.''

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl said today that Iraq is ''playing with fire'' by holding foreigners hostage. Kohl told the federal parliament in Bonn that a swift solution of the hostage question is essential if a peaceful solution to the Gulf conflict is to be found. The German leader briefed deputies about the 34-nation European summit in Paris this week. He said the Gulf crisis was one of the major topics during the summit.

In the Philippines, President Corazon Aquino today took steps to defuse labor unrest among workers demanding a wage increase. Aquino vowed to ease the tax load for low income earners and improve their social security benefits in a bid to minimize the impact of the Gulf crisis. But Aquino stood firm on her position that demands for a wage hike should be resolved by regional wage boards composed of government, labor and management representatives.

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#90326u0645 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 22) UPI - The longest serving prime minister this century is resigning. British Prime Minister Thatcher says she won't fight a leadership challenge and will resign as soon as a new leader is selected. Thatcher, who had declared yesterday to ''fight to win,'' waivered when her Cabinet and others pressured her to resign for the good of the Conservative Party. She'd come under fire for her aggressive opposition to greater European Community integration.

President Bush had some fighting words today in a morale-boosting Thanksgiving Day speech to American troops in the Saudi desert. Bush said he wants them all back home in the United States, but NOT until Iraqi President Saddam Hussein pulls his forces out of Kuwait. In three separate speeches to troops, Bush said U-S forces are in the region to send a message to- quote- ''any would-be Saddam Husseins that the world will not tolerate tyrants.''

An opposition newspaper in Egypt today criticized President Bush's planned visit to Cairo later today, saying ''Bush is NOT welcome in Egypt.'' Bush is scheduled to arrive in the Egyptian capital after spending part of Thanksgiving with front-line U-S troops. The Al-Shaab newspaper quoted the head of the opposition Labor Party as saying that U-S interests in the Middle East will be threatened if war erupts... or if the United States continues what he called its ''arrogant support'' of Israeli policies.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz flew to the Persian Gulf state of Oman today... becoming the first Iraqi official to visit a gulf country since the crisis erupted over Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait. Aziz's visit fueled speculation Iraq is seeking Oman's help in resolving the standoff. Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency says Aziz is to meet with Oman's sultan, a pro-western leader who played an important role in negotiating the end of the 1980-1988 Gulf War between Iran and Iraq. Aziz reportedly is carrying a message from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

In a related development, Secretary of State Baker flies to Yemen today in a bid to persuade Yemeni leaders to bacl a U-N resolution sanctioning force against Iraq. Yemen is one of a handful of Arab states supporting Iraq... and it is to assume the rotating presidency of the U- N Security Council next month. But the recently unified state says it could be persuaded to vote against Iraq on some issues.

An American computer lecturer faces a possible death sentence under Malaysia's harsh drug laws. 38-year-old Kerry Wiley of Sacremento, California, today denied that he transported marijuana across the Thai- Malaysia border. Wiley was arrested a year ago after customs officers raided his house in a suburb of Kuala Lumpur and found nine-point-four ounces of marijuana in six tin cans.

Some two-and-a-half Million people are gathering in New York City for the annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade. As usual, the parade will feature giant balloons in the form of comic characters. And there'll be something new this year called falloons... a float and balloon combination featuring Paddington Bear and a Victorian locomotive. Elsewhere, Americans nationwide are celebrating Thanksgiving with festivities ranging from parades and church services to turkey bowling and turkey races... and traditional turkey dinners.

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(NOV. 22) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

City		Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen	clear	1pm	39	04
Amsterdam	clear	1pm	44	07
Ankara	cldy	3pm	62	16
Athens	ptcldy	2pm	69	21
Auckland	drzl	mdnt	60	16
Beijing	clear	8pm	45	07
Beirut		2pm		
Berlin	cldy	1pm	38	03
Bonn	clear	1pm	47	08
Brussels	clear	1pm	46	08
Cairo	ptcldy	2pm	77	25
Casablanca	rain	noon	59	15
Copenhagen	clear	1pm	38	03
Dakar	cldy	noon	80	27
Dublin	clear	1pm	37	03
Geneva	cldy	1pm	40	04
Helsinki	cldy	2pm	12	b11
Hong kong	clear	8pm	69	20
Jerusalem	clear	2pm	72	22
Karachi	clear	5pm	85	29
Lisbon	ptcldy	1pm	51	11
London	cldy	1pm	39	04
Madrid	cldy	1pm	47	08
Malta	ptcldy	1pm	73	23
Manila	cldy	8pm	83	28
Moscow	cldy	3pm	33	01
Nairobi		3pm		
Nassau	cldy	7am	72	22
New delhi	clear	6pm	71	21
Nice	ptcldy	1pm	63	17
Oslo	snow	1pm	24	b04
Paris	fog	1pm	39	03
Pretoria	cldy	2pm	86	30
Riyadh		3pm	83	28
Rome	cldy	1pm	68	20
Seoul	ptcldy	9pm	48	09
Sofia	ptcldy	2pm	59	15
Stockholm	clear	1pm	25	b03
Sydney	cldy	10pm	66	18
Taipei	ptcldy	8pm	65	18
Tokyo	clear	9pm	53	12
Tunis	clear	1pm	75	24
Vienna	cldy	1pm	46	07
Warsaw	cldy	1pm	41	05

Latin America

Buenos aires	clear	9am	78	26
Caracas	cldy	8am	69	20
Havana		7am		
Lima	cldy	7am	63	17
Mexico city	haze	6am	55	12
Rio de janeiro	clear	9am	83	28
Santiago	clear	8am	66	19

Canada

calgary	clear	24	b04
Edmonton	snow	11	b11
Montreal	rain	39	03
Ottawa	cldy	33	00
Regina	mm	mm	mm
toronto	rain	44	06
vancouver	cldy	53	11
winnipeg	snow	48	08

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
s-snow
w-windy

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CAIRO, Egypt (NOV. 22) UPI - President Bush's talks in Cairo Friday and Saturday with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak are expected to focus on the Persian Gulf crisis but will also include the state of the ailing Egyptian economy and U.S.-Egyptian trade relations.

Bush, the first U.S. leader to visit Egypt in 12 years, was expected to depart Cairo for Geneva Friday and talks with Syrian leader Hafez Assad.

Although Egypt remains a staunch supporter of the U.S.-led multinational force confronting Iraq in the gulf, Bush was expected to seek clarification of Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid's remarks Thursday that even if the U.N. Security Council endorses military force against Iraq, Egypt would continue to pursue ''peaceful efforts'' to solve the standoff.

Although Mubarak himself in remarks published last week said some 20, 000

Egyptian troops stationed in the gulf would not be used to fight in Iraq, the Egyptian leader remained vague on whether the troops would help allied forces liberate Kuwait if the need arose.

Added to the call by Egypt and Syria last week for a three month moratorium on the use of military force against Iraq, ostensibly to give Iraq time to get out of Kuwait, the position of Cairo and Damascus on the use of force against Iraq remains open.

''The gulf crisis will top the agenda of the Mubarak-Bush talks,'' Meguid told reporters. ''Bush will brief President Mubarak on developments and results of contacts he conducted with world leaders in Paris, as well as the recent tour of the U.S. Secretary of State in the area.''

Meguid also made clear that Egypt opposes a U.S. initiative for a new security system with U.S. participation after Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

''Preserving regional security is a necessity, but such a security system must emanate from and within and with the consent of countries in the region and should not be imposed from abroad,'' Meguid said before Bush's arrival.

Since the Camp David accords 12 years ago that culminated in the U.S.-sponsored Egypt-Israel peace treaty of 1979, successive U.S. administrations have provided Cairo with billions of dollars in military and economic aid.

In addition to $2.2 billion in aid last year, the Bush administration said it would also write off more than $7 billion in Egyptian military debts in appreciation of Cairo's stand on the gulf crisis.

The United States has also pledged some $55 million in free emergency food aid for Egyptian refugees returning from Kuwait. But Cairo newspapers said Mubarak was expected to brief Bush on the ailing state of the Egyptian economy, which has been hard hit by the crisis, and the state of U.S.-Egyptian trade.

The newspapers said the talks were expected to cover the deficit in the balance of payments in Egypt and the fuirther opening of the U.S. market to Egyptian exports. Egypt is Washington's largest Mideast trading partner with $2.5 billion in bilateral trade in 1988 but is seeking greater access for manufactured goods.

The gulf crisis has hit Egypt's $2 billion a year tourist trade hard, as well as reducing revenue from Egyptian workers in Iraq and Kuwait. Cairo hopes Bush's visit will focus attention on the need for further aid to Egypt directly or through other allies such as Arab states, Japan, Germany and the European Community, the newspapers said.

The two leaders were also expected to discuss the Arab-Israeli conflict and

chances of dialogue between Palestinians not belonging to the Palestine Liberation Organization and Israel.

Egypt played a leading role in trying to promote the dialogue but terrorist acts by radical Palestinian groups, as well as the gulf crisis and Saddam Hussein's adoption of the Palestinian issue as his own, has complicated Egyptian mediation efforts.

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#90326u0713 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 22) UPI - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, under fire in her own Conservative Party for her aggressive opposition to greater European Community integration, announced her resignation Thursday after 11 1/2 years in power.

Thatcher, wounded by a challenge to her party leadership, said she believed the Conservative Party would best be served by her resignation.

Hours later, she defended her government in the House of Commons against a no-confidence motion brought by the opposition Labor Party with a performance that blended her hard-edged determination and a ready willingness to laugh at her plight.

Thatcher declared that under her leadership Britain ''stands tall in the councils of Europe and of the world,'' gained a sound economy and has ''given power back to the people.''

The longest serving prime minister this century announced the solitary decision she reached at 7:30 a.m. to resign in a statement issued by Downing Street.

''Having consulted with leaders and my colleagues, I have concluded that the unity of the party and the prospect of victory in a general election would be better served if I stepped down to enable Cabinet colleagues to enter the ballot for the leadership,'' said Thatcher.

''I would like to thank all those in the Cabinet and outside who have given me such dedicated support.''

Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd and Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major both announced they will try to succeed her as party leader, joining renegade Conservative Michael Heseltine on the ballot scheduled for next Tuesday.

Heseltine, 57, dealt the blow to Thatcher that will end an era in British politics. He failed to end outright her 15-year tenure as head of the Conservative Party in a party vote Tuesday but mustered enough support to force a second ballot next week that could have swept her from power.

Worldwide reaction reflected admiration for her grit and achievements, tempered by widespread sentiment that it was time to go.

''On a personal note, I'll miss her because I value her counsel and the wisdom that comes from her long experience,'' President Bush said in Saudi Arabia while visiting American troops. ''She has been an outstanding prime minister for the United Kingdom and an outstanding friend of the United States.''

His predecessor, Ronald Reagan, who was far closer to Thatcher, said in a statement issued from his California home, ''Margaret Thatcher is truly a world statesman. On this of all days, Great Britain and indeed all the world should be thankful for the leadership of Margaret Thatcher.''

In Moscow, ''We will remember her for her great contribution to good relations between the West and the Soviet Union,'' said Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov.

Police at the gates of Downing Street made steady trips to the door of No. 10 to deliver bouquets of flowers, while supporters and critics waited outside for a glimpse of the ''Iron Lady.''

Thatcher had declared, ''I fight on, I fight to win'' Wednesday, but wavered when her Cabinet and others pressured her to resign for the good of the party.

Thatcher, 65, told an early morning Cabinet meeting and Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace she would resign as soon as a new leader is selected.

She reportedly told cabinet members ''it's a funny old world,'' that she had won three general elections, had support from a majority of the country and Conservative MPs but questions were still being raised about her political future.

Thatcher's daughter, Carol, said her mother was betrayed by her party. ''I think it's the most gutless act of treachery after all she's done.''

Britain's first woman prime minister changed the course of British government and rekindled her country's international prestige in her 41- year political career that coined the word ''Thatcherism.''

She led Britain to victory over Argentina in the 1982 Falklands War, fought for the deployment of U.S. missiles in Europe, a move that paved the way for a possible U.S.-Soviet arms reduction agreement.

On the domestic front, Thatcher governments carried out a sweeping denationalization of industry and services, curbed the power of left- wing labor unions and cut back on public spending to tame inflation.

Thatcher's decision left a three-way race that pundits were unwilling to call.

Heseltine is the man the prime minister least wants to succeed her.

The man nicknamed ''Tarzan'' resigned from the Cabinet in 1986 amid a clash between the Cabinet and Thatcher over whether an America or European company should rescue Britain's only helicopter manufacturer. She was accused of leaking a classified letter in the affair. Heseltine quit, protesting she had undermined the Cabinet.

Heseltine, who was planting an oak tree at London Zoo when he heard of Thatcher's resignation, said, ''this brings to an end a quite remarkable premiership. She has made a remarkable contribution to British history and has led this country with great distinction in the 1980s. The resignation now opens the way for an election for leader which will enable others to come forward. I very much welcome that ... and we will then find a way to unite the party and go on to win the next election.

Hurd, 60, and Major, 47, issued a joint statment declaring they were engaged in ''a friendly contest.''

''We have decided to let both our names go forward in friendly contest so that our party colleagues can take the decision and choose which of us is better placed to unite the party.

''We regard this as our overriding priority, to unite the party, so that the Conservative Party can win in the next election and safeguard the remarkable and essential achievements of Margaret Thatcher's government.''

The lord chancellor, Lord McKie, expressed ''profound sadness'' on behalf of the Cabinet at Thatcher's resignation. He said she served the country well.

Neil Kinnock, opposition Labor Party leader, was glad of Thatcher's departure.

''It is very good news indeed. It's news that I have been waiting for and millions of people in Britain have been waiting for for a long time. We should have a general election very soon because apart from my own delight, it is the British people who must decide on the government.''

Thatcher rejected his call for a general election, saying it was no more necessary than when James Callaghan replaced Harold Wilson as prime minister in mid-term in 1976.

The government is required to call a nationwide election by mid-1992. Conservative Party leaders have been concerned that Thatcher's leadership style, perceived by some as abrasive and unyielding, would cost them the general election and pressured her to step down.

Thatcher alienated many party members with her vehement opposition to greater European Community integration and a common European currency.

Thatcher this week faced the only serious challenge to her party leadership since she wrested it from Edward Heath in 1975 when Heseltine made a bid to topple her.

She received 204 votes from Conservative MPs in a first ballot Tuesday, four votes short of the 208, or 65 percent, needed to turn back Heseltine's challenge. Heseltine received 152 votes and 16 members abstained.

The winner would have needed a simple majority of 187 votes in a second ballot and Thatcher's campaign managers feared she would fall short.

With three candidates now in the running, the balloting will continue until someone receives a majority of the votes.

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LONDON (NOV. 22) UPI - Britain will send 14,000 additional troops to Saudi Arabia, almost doubling the size of its force already lined up against Iraq, Defense Secretary Tom King said Thursday.

The planned deployment follows repeated demands by Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and King that Iraq to leave Kuwait or be expelled by military force.

After a U.S. decision to add 250,000 troops to the gulf, the British move was intended to add credibility to the threat to force Iraqi President Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait.

''It's to show we mean business,'' a Defense Ministry spokesman said.

The decision to raise the British commitment to more than 30,000 troops was made Thursday morning at the same Cabinet meeting at which Thatcher announced her resignation.

Britain will also send 43 Challenger tanks, bringing its total to 120 tanks.

''It is now over 3 1/2 months since Iraq invaded Kuwait and has continued to defy the United Nations demand to withdraw,'' King told the House of Commons later in the day. Iraq overran Kuwait Aug. 2 in a land- and-oil dispute.

''Sanctions have left Iraq increasingly isolated ... but Saddam Hussein shows no sign yet of complying with the U.N. resolutions and ending his barbaric treatment of the Kuwaiti people and the hostages he has detained illegally.''

''If he's foolish, crazy enough to stay in spite of the very substantial

military forces (against him), the conflict will be short, it will be extremely painful for Iraqis, and ... the extra resources give us the best chance of minimizing the causalties on our side,'' King said at a news conference.

King said Britain wishes to resolve the crisis by peaceful means but must make Saddam recognize that there is no alternative to withdrawing.

Deployment of the troops, which will be drawn from Britain's 4th Brigade in Germany, will begin this weekend, the defense spokesman said, and will not be completed until January, which is the earliest an offensive against Iraqi forces by the multinational force was expected by military experts.

Britain is currently spending about $27.3 million per week on the gulf defensive effort. The additional troops are expected to bring that total to $46.8 million.

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WIESBADEN, Germany (NOV. 22) UPI - German police confiscated one ton of cocaine, 8.5 tons of marijuana and arrested 22 people in one of the country's largest drug operations to date, a federal police spokesman said Thursday.

The undercover police action dealt a major blow to a western European drug ring, the spokesman said. Police estimated the street value of the cocaine seizure at $294 million.

The spokesman declined to give further details, but added that the arrested drug ring memebers had supplied the western European market with cocaine.

Recent police efforts to stem the flow of cocaine into Germany have been more effective than in the past.

While last year authorities confiscated 1,046 kilos, in 1988 police found only 452 kilos and in 1987 only 296 kilos.

Meanwhile, at an international conference in Frankfurt Thursday, a drug expert predicted that the eastern German city of Leipzig could become one of Europe's largest drug centers.

Werner Schneider, drug commissioner for the city of Frankfurt, said it was common for drug dealers to take advantage of important trade cities.

In former East Germany, Leipzig was the site of an annual trade fair and East Germany's most important commercial center outside of Berlin.

The international conference was attended by police officials, medical

professionals and drug counselors from 16 European cities.

The participants met to discuss common strategies to fight Europe's drug traffic.

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#90326u0817 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 22) UPI - President Bush and his wife Barbara had Thanksgiving dinner with American troops in Saudi Arabia today. The president drew enthusiastic cheers at one stop on his Saudi visit when he told the troops that- his words now- ''we're NOT walking away until our mission is done, until the invader is out of Kuwait and that may well be where you come in.''

At one of the president's stops today, he stood in line to get a cup of coffee with cream and sugar and 23-year-old Second Lieutenant Emiciades Alcon of Fort Benning, Georgia, told him- quoting now- ''Thank you, sir, for showing up here in the desert and showing your support.'' Bush looked her in the eye and said in a low voice, ''That's what Woody Allen said, 90 percent of life is showing up.''

Mrs. Bush posed with everybody who asked, even coaching them on how and where to stand. She told E-Four Kelly Fischer of El Paso, Texas, to take her glasses off and she put arms around Fischer's waist. Fischer told the first lady that she admired her very much and added- quoting now- ''In fact I wanted to see her more than I wanted to see the president. That's a terrible thing to say.''

British Prime Minister Thatcher resigned today, just one day after she said she would ''fight on'' against a challenge to her Conservative Party leadership by former defense secretary Michael Heseltine. Thatcher informed Queen Elizabeth of her decision, saying she would leave office as soon as a new leader is selected. Heseltine denied Thatcher a first- ballot victory this week in a Conservative Party vote for its top job. Now, Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd and Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major announced their candidacy for the Conservative Party's top job.

The military ruler of the South African black homeland of Transkei says an attempted coup failed this morning, and he accused South Africa of complicity in the attempt. Major General Bantu Holomisa says a disgruntled colonel led the coup attempt and was trapped in a government building after it failed. Unconfirmed reports say five military recruits were killed when the rebels attacked the mail army camp before dawn.

Soviet Embassy officials in Beijing say Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze will meet with Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen tomorrow. The officials say the two will meet in a Chinese border province. There is NO word on the agenda for the talks, but officials say it likely will include discussion of events at the historic European summit in Paris.

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(NOV. 23) UPI -

Baseball

Pittsburgh - Named Jeff Podobnik director of Florida baseball operations.

Toronto - Named Mark Snipp scouting supervisor.

Basketball

Cleveland - Activated center Milos Babic.

Denver - Signed forward Terry Mills to a 2- year contract.

Phoenix - Placed forward Tim Perry on injured list; activated guard Nigele Knight.

College

Brown - Named Trevor Adair soccer coach.

Oregon State - Announced football coach Dave Kragthrope would not return next season.

Texas Tech - Signed football coach Spike Dykes to a 10-year contract extension.

Western Carolina - Announced resignation of football assistant Craig Raye.

Football

Green Bay - Re-signed quarterback Mike Norseth; cut tight end William Harris; named Bob Wieland strength and conditioning coach.

San Diego - Placed running back Rod Bernstine and linebacker Richard Brown on injured reserve; signed running back Joe Mickles and linebacker Antonio Goss.

Hockey

Boston - Sent center John Byce and defenseman Bob Beers to Maine of American Hockey League.

Buffalo - Signed right wing Jiri Sejba.

Minnesota - Traded goaltender Kari Takko to Edmonton for defenseman Bruce Bell

and future considerations.

NY Islanders - Called up left wing Brad Lauer from Capital District of American Hockey League.

Pittsburgh - Assigned left wing Jeff Davis to Muskegon of International Hockey League.

Quebec - Signed forward Alexei Gusarov to a 4-year contract.

Vancouver - Called up forward Gino Odjick from Milwaukee of International Hockey League.

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#90326u0905 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 22) UPI - The 11 and one-half-year rule of British Prime Minister Thatcher is ending. She resigned today, giving up the fight against a challenge to her leadership of the Conservative Party by former defense secretary Michael Heseltine.

Thatcher said the resignation she submitted to Queen Elizabeth that she will remain in office until the ruling Conservative Party picks a new leader. A vote is scheduled next Tuesday.

President Bush told troops in Saudi Arabia today that they will remain on duty in Operation Desert Shield until Iraq gets out of Kuwait. Bush and his wife Barbara are spending Thanksgiving with the troops.

At his final stop in Saudi Arabia, the president told reporters that he was ''very moved'' by his visits with the troops, and he added that- quoting now- ''We'll go the extra mile for peace.''

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz flew to Oman today... his first visit to a Persian Gulf country since the August 2nd invasion of Kuwait. Aziz is to meet with the sultan of Oman, Sheik Qaboos Bin Said.

An official Tehran Radio broadcast monitored in Athens says Iranian President Hashemi Rafsanjani renewed his call for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. The broadcast yesterday also reported that Rafsanjani said foreign forces should NOT interfere in the region.

Outgoing President Wojciech Jaruzelski of Poland told reporters yesterday that he believes history will acknowledge his contribution to the emerging democracy in his nation. But Jaruzelski added that he probably won't be alive to enjoy it.

Officials say there was NO damage or injuries yesterday when the second

moderate earthquake in as many days shook the Aleutian Islands yesterday. They say two smaller and unrelated quakes rumbled within a 40-mile radius of Anchorage, Alaska.

Agent Lee Salomon says 85-year-old comedian Henny Youngman will undergo minor surgery today at Beth Israel Medical Center in Manhattan. His agent says the surgery is ''nothing serious,'' but he declined to reveal the exact nature of the ailment.

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(NOV. 23) UPI

American Conference
East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	9	1	0	.900	288	150
Miami	8	2	0	.800	202	109
Indianapolis	4	6	0	.400	142	210
NY Jets	4	7	0	.364	192	233
New England	1	9	0	.100	130	271
Central						
Cincinnati	6	4	0	.600	239	228
Houston	5	5	0	.500	229	192
Pittsburgh	5	5	0	.500	174	174
Cleveland	2	8	0	.200	151	270
West						
LA Raiders	7	3	0	.700	183	147
Kansas City	6	4	0	.600	219	148
San Diego	5	6	0	.455	224	190
Seattle	4	6	0	.400	196	206
Denver	3	7	0	.300	224	264

National Conference
East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
NY Giants	10	0	0	1.000	246	110
Philadelphia	6	4	0	.600	251	209
Washington	6	5	0	.545	247	213
Dallas	5	7	0	.417	176	242
Phoenix	2	8	0	.200	138	264
Central						
Chicago	9	1	0	.900	245	139
Green Bay	5	5	0	.500	200	217

Minnesota	4	6	0	.400	218	209
Tampa Bay	4	7	0	.364	177	274
Detroit	4	7	0	.364	253	274
West						
San Francisco	10	0	0	1.000	253	151
New Orleans	4	6	0	.400	188	195
LA Rams	3	7	0	.300	219	282
Atlanta	3	7	0	.300	255	275

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#90326u0944 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

IRVING, Texas (NOV. 23) UPI - Over the space of 21 flawless minutes Thursday, the Dallas Cowboys moved up one plateau in the National Football League.

No longer are the Cowboys mired in the NFL's wasteland. They have now reached the middle ground, something they confirmed on a gray Thanksgiving Day with a comeback 27-17 victory over the Washington Redskins.

Dallas dominated down the stretch, coming from 7 points behind midway through the third quarter by scoring on three straight possessions and gaining 205 yards during those three drives.

''The Cowboys are coming on by leaps and bounds,'' said Washington Coach Joe Gibbs. ''Their quarterback is playing great. Their running back is playing great. They are starting to get people in the right place who can help them and they have done a really great job.''

Cowboys quarterback Troy Aikman directed the three critical drives and rookie running back Emmitt Smith put the game away with a 48-yard touchdown run with 3:10 remaining. Smith gained 132 yards on 23 carries and Aikman completed 222 yards worth of passes.

''I needed to play hard and well today,'' Aikman said. ''I really needed to do something to prove to my teammates what I could do. We all had a lot to prove and we started on the road to doing that today.

''We wanted to win this game badly. We wanted to play well and prove we are a good team to a lot of people.''

The victory broke a four-year losing streak for the Cowboys on Thanksgiving Day. Dallas' last triumph on the holiday came in 1985 when the Cowboys beat the St. Louis Cardinals, 35-17.

The Cowboys let an early 10-0 lead melt away and the Redskins took a 17-10 advantage midway through the third period.

Dallas then drove to three straight scores - those coming on a 1-yard touchdown run by Smith with 2:27 left in the third quarter that tied the game, a 41-yard field goal by Ken Willis that put the Cowboys in front and Smith's 48-yard scoring run in which he outfaked the much faster Darrell Green to produce the longest touchdown of his rookie year. Smith finished with 130 yards on 23 carries.

The win gave Dallas its first back-to-back triumphs since Jimmy Johnson took over from Tom Landry last year and boosted the Cowboys to 5-7. Washington dropped into third place in the NFC East, a half game behind the Philadelphia Eagles, with a 6-5 record.

Lions 40 Broncos 17

In Detroit, Barry Sanders rushed for 147 yards and two touchdowns as the Lions dominated Denver 40-17. Denver, the defending AFC champion lost for the fourth straight week and are now 3-8. The Lions improved their record to 4-7.

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Denver	7	10	3	7	- 27
Detroit	21	6	7	6	- 40

First Quarter

Det-Johnson 11 pass from Gagliano (Murray kick), 4:49

Den-Bratton 1 run (Treadwell kick), 8:15

Det-B. Sanders 7 run (Murray kick), 10:28

Det-Johnson 43 pass from Gagliano (Murray kick), 13:50

Second Quarter

Det-FG Murray 24, 1:32

Den-FG Treadwell 24, 6:20

Den-Henderson 49 interception return (Treadwell kick), 7:20

Det-FG Murray 32, 13:05

Third Quarter

Den-FG Treadwell 32, 5:28

Det-B. Sanders 35 pass from Gagliano (Murray kick), 8:28

Fourth Quarter

Den-Bratton 1 run (Treadwell kick), 0:46

Det-FG Murray 43, 11:17

Det-FG Murray 45, 12:09

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	Den	Det
First downs	19	23
Rushes-yards	23--72	30--173
Passing yards	211	248
Sacked-yards lost	3--32	0--0
3rd down eff.	5--12--42.0	4--10--40.0
4th down eff.	1--2--50	0--0--0
Passes	24--37--1	18--30--1
Punts	3--42.3	1--14.0
Punt returns-yds	0--0	1--7
KO returns-yds	7--95	6--115
Fumbles-lost	1--1	1--0
Penalties-yards	6--30	3--41
Time of possessin	28:47	31:13 ---

Individual Statistics

RUSHING-Denver-Humphrey 16-53, Jackson 1-10, Bratton 4-9, Ezor 2-0. Detroit-B. Sanders 23-147, Gagliano 7-26.

PASSING-Denver-Elway 24-37-1-243. Detroit-Gagliano 18-30-1-248.

RECEIVING-Denver-Bratton 7-43, Humphrey 6-24, Nattiel 3-50, Jackson 2-36, Young 2-25, Sharpe 1-33, Kay 1-14, Winder 1- 12, Verhulst 1-6.
Detroit-Johnson 5-83, Clark 4-58, B. Sanders 3-30, Farr 2-29, Campbell 2- 15, Matthews 1-25, Greer 1-8.

SACKS-Denver-None. Detroit-Ball 1-14, Cofer 1-10, Hunter 1-8.

INTERCEPTIONS-Denver-Henderson 1- 49. Detroit-Crockett 1-9.

Missed field goals-None.

Washington	0	7	10	0	17
Dallas	10	0	7	10	27

First Quarter

Dal-FG Willis 49, 7:41

Dal-Irvin 12 pass from Aikman (Willis kick), 14:03

Second Quarter

Wash-Byner 5 run (Lohmiller kick), 13:52

Third Quarter

Wash-FG Lohmiller 25, 6:39

Wash-Sanders 6 pass from Rypian (Lohmiller kick), 8:29.

Dal-Smith 1 run (Willis kick), 12:33

Fourth Quarter

Dal-FG Willis 41, 6:16

Dal-Smith 48 run, 11:50

A-60,355

	Wash	Dal
First downs	20	18
Rushes-yards	15--36	30--162
Passing yards	261	208
Sacked-yards lost	2--6	3--14
3rd down eff.	8--16--50.0	7--14--50.0
4th down eff.	0--1--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	26--54--1	20--31--2
Punts	6--36.7	5--43.6
Punt returns-yds	3--28	3--12
KO returns-yds	6--142	4--86
Fumbles-lost	0--0	3--0
Penalties-yards	4--20	6--36
Time of possessio	25:12	34:48

Individual Statistics

RUSHING-Washington-Byner 14-39, Monk 1-minus 3. Dallas-Smith 23-132, Dixon 1-18, Aikman 4-9, Johnston 1-2, Agee 1-1.

PASSING-Washington-Rypien 26-54-1-267. Dallas-Aikman 20-31-2-222.

RECEIVING-Washington-Clark 8-74, Sanders 5-46, Monk 5-43, Bryant 4-58, Byner 2-23, Warren 2-23. Dallas-Martin 7-70, Novacek 4-88, Irvin 3-30, Johnston 2-13

Smith 2-5, Awalt 1-10, Agee 1-6.

SACKS-Washington-Mann 1/2-5, Stokes 2 1/2- 9. Dallas-Hamel 1-5, Tolbert 1-1.

INTERCEPTIONS-Washington-Mayhew 1- 15, Marshall 1-6. Dallas Washington 1-0.

Missed field goals: Washington, Lohmiller 52.

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#90326u1083 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 22) UPI - World-wide reaction to the resignation today of British Prime Minister Thatcher reflected admiration for her determination and achievements tempered by a widespread sentiment that it is time for her to go. President Bush said on his Saudi Arabian visit that Thatcher was an ''outstanding'' prime minister whose advice he valued.

Thatcher announced her resignation one day after telling Parliament that she would ''fight on'' after failing to retain her 15-year hold on the leadership post in the Conservative Party. Her resignation ends 11 and one-half years of her rule over England.

The desert-weary American and British troops who listened to President Bush in Saudi Arabia today said they did NOT hear anything new but the Thanksgiving Day visit did boost their morale. Some, however, said they were disappointed that Bush did NOT give Saddam Hussein a deadline to get out of Kuwait and end the long wait in the sands of Saudi Arabia.

Also in the Persian Gulf region, U-S Secretary of State Baker flew to Yemen, one of the few Arab states to support Iraq in the confrontation over Kuwait. And Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz became the first Iraqi official to visit a Persian Gulf state since the invasion of Kuwait on August 2nd.

The new interim president of Liberia is in the capital of Monrovia... in the few square miles of the city controlled by his government. President Amos Sawyer was flown into Monrovia aboard a Nigerian helicopter of a five-nation African peace-keeping force in the capital. Rebel leader Charles Taylor's forces control about 80 percent of the country.

Major General Bantu Holomisa says his troops in the nominally independent South African homeland of Transkei crushed a coup attempt this morning. Holomisa says heavy fighting left the rebel leader and at least 15 others dead.

Armed forces spokesman in El Salvador report that rebel mortar rounds hit two major military bases in the third day of the latest anti- government offensive. They say the new round of rebel attacks have left at least 84 people dead and 155 wounded.

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#90326u1265 11/22/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 22) UPI - President and Mrs. Bush are in Cairo, where the chief executive will meet with his Egyptian counterpart tomorrow and Saturday. The talks with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak are expected to center on the Persian Gulf situation, but they are likely to deal with trade matters, too.

President Bush dinned and turkey and all the trimmings with American troops in Saudi Arabia today, delivering three speeches to U-S and British forces in Operation Desert Shield. Bush told the soldiers that they will remain on duty in the Saudi desert until Iraq pulls out of Kuwait.

Britain announced today that another 14-thousand troops are being dispatched to the Persian Gulf... doubling the English presence in the region.

Secretary of State Baker is in Yemen, apparently to discuss the Gulf crisis with representatives of the nation that is about to take over the chairmanship of the U-N Security Council. The United States is expected to ask the Council soon for a resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq.

British Prime Minister Thatcher is leaving office. She resigned today, saying she feels the move was the best thing to do to unify her ruling Conservative Party so it can get ready for a victory in the next general election.

World-wide reaction to Thatcher's resignation generally agreed on her stunning achievements and fierce determination, but also with the belief that is time for her to step down.

Officials of the four Smith's Food and Drug company outlets in Tucson, Arizona say about two-thousand customers returned their Thanksgiving turkeys last night and today. The firm said anyone wishing to bring back the birds could get a refund after an anonymous telephone threat that turkeys in the stores had been injected with poison. There was NO evidence that any of the turkeys were contaminated.

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#90326u1317 11/22/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 22) UPI - Hundreds of thousands of people marked Thanksgiving at traditional parades in New York City and Houston today, and Millions more observed the festivities via television.

President and Mrs. Bush spent their Thansgiving holiday with American troops in Saudi Arabia, where the chief executive told the soldiers that they will remain in the desert until Iraq withdraws from Kuwait.

First lady Barbara Bush had many soldiers straining to see her in khaki slacks

a tan T-shirt and a desert camouflage jacket today. Working the troops like a practiced politician, Mrs. Bush posed for photos with soldiers... at one point telling Kelly Fischer of El Paso, Texas, to take off her glasses for their shot.

President Bush delivered three speeches to troops in Operation Desert Shield today, warning them that each passing day brings Iraq closer to having nuclear weapons.

Secretary of State Baker went to Yemen for talks with officials of one of the few Arab states to support Iraq in the confrontation over Kuwait.

British Prime Minister Thatcher announced her resignation today, then launched into a spirited defense of her Conservative government when the opposition Labor Party proposed a NO-confidence vote in Parliament.

German federal police today reported that they arrested 22 people in one of the nation's largest drug operations to date. The police say they confiscated one ton of cocaine and eight and one-half tons of marijuana.

Sotheby's auction house in London says Mozart's original autographed manuscript for two his greatest works broke records when it sold for one-point-seven-Million dollars. The manuscript of Mozart's ''Fantasy in C Minor'' and ''Sonata in C Minor'' were discovered this summer at the Eastern Theological Seminary in Philadelphia.

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#90326u1369 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 22) UPI - President Bush says that on a personal level, he will miss the advice and counsel of British Prime Minister Thatcher, who resigned today, ending 11 and one-half years of service at Number 10 Downing Street.

Thatcher announced her resignation this morning to her Cabinet and Queen Elizabeth, saying she was leaving for the good of the Conservative Party and the nation.

It was turkey and all the trimmings today for American troops in Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia. And for a hand-picked group of soldiers chosen because of their good behavior, it was a holiday dinner with President and Mrs. Bush.

The chief executive made three speeches in Saudi Arabia today, telling troops that they would remain on desert duty until Saddam Hussein ends his occupation of Kuwait.

Bush and his wife flew from Saudi Arabia to Cairo, Egypt, aboard Air Force One. The president has talks scheduled tomorrow and Saturday with Egyptian

President Hosni Mubarak. Also tomorrow... Bush will make a side trip to Geneva Switzerland, for a meeting with Syrian President Hafez Assad.

A truck carrying 42-thousand pounds of live ammunition caught fire and exploded in the high central Nevada desert overnight, but Nevada authorities say there were NO injuries.

German police say they have dealt a major blow to the West European drug trade with the seizure of one ton of cocaine and eight and one-half tons of marijuana. They say 22 people were arrested in the undercover operation.

Military ruler Major General Bantu Holomisa says an attempted coup against his regime in the nominally independent homeland of Transkei was crushed today. He says the rebel leader and 11 of his men were killed.

The Polish media leaped into the presidential campaign today with an explosive attack on dark-horse candidate Stanislaw Tyminski. The reports suggested that he dodged military service because of mental disorders and has links with terrorists in Libya. An official in the Tyminski campaign called the reports ''nonsense.''

The military went to great pains to prepare Thanksgiving dinners with turkey and all the trimmings today, but Airman Corey Carter of Cleveland, Ohio, pretty much summed things up for all the soldiers. In his words- ''It's NOT like momma used to make.''

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#90326u1412 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 22) UPI - An end of an era in Britain. Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher announced her resignation today after 11-and-a-half years in power. Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd and Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major both say they'll try to succeed Thatcher as Conservative party leader. The pair join renegade Conservative Michael Heseltine on the ballot scheduled for next Tuesday.

President and Barbara Bush are in Cairo tonight. The first couple will be formally welcomed in a ceremony tomorrow morning... before talks between Bush and Egyptian President Murbarak get under way. The Bushes flew to the Egyptian capital from Saudi Arabia, where they visited with U-S troops stationed in the desert. Bush told the soldiers they'll be stationed in the Persian Gulf until Iraq withdrawals from Kuwait.

NOT everyone is eating turkey with their families this holiday. Hundreds of Americans are trying to make the day a little brighter for the sick, poor and homeless. In Chicago, 85 volunteers served turkey to about one-thousand people at the Salvation Army. In the words of one volunteer- ''I enjoy the thought of being able to give to others that are less fortunate than myself.''

The holiday brought alarm to four stores and their customers in Tucson, Arizona. Smith's Food and Drug Company pulled turkeys from the meat cases at its stores last night after an anonmous telephone call to a television station. The chain also offered refunds or exchanges to customers who'd bought turkeys, prompting two-thousand cutomers to return their gobblers.

Scientists report today they've found a new virus that appears to be a cousin of the AIDS virus in people stricken by an autoimmune disease. Researchers from New Orleans, Houston and Maryland detected the virus in patients with Sjogren's syndrome, a disorder that causes severe dryness of the eyes and mouth. But other researchers urged caution in linking such disorders to viruses.

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#90326u1543 11/22/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 22) UPI - Margaret Thatcher says she believes Britian's Conservative Party will be better off without her. The woman who has served as Britain's prime minister for 11-and-a-half years announced her resignation in London today.

In Moscow, a Foreign Ministry spokesman had kinds words for Thatcher. Gennady Gerasimov declared- we will remember ''her great contribution to good relations between the West and the Soviet Union.''

President Bush says he's ready to go ''the extra mile for peace'' after meeting with U-S troops stationed in Saudi Arabia. Bush later flew to Cairo, where he'll begin formal talks tomorrow with Egyptian President Mubarek.

Federal aviation investigators are at the scene of a small plane that crashed while flying from Minneapolis to northern Michigan. The plane went down in woods near Gaylord, killing four family members and injuring two other people aboard.

German police say the confiscated a ton of cocaine, eight-and-a-half tons of marijuana and arrested 22 people. Officials say the drug bust- one of the nation's biggest to date- dealt a major blow to a western European drug ring.

The drug operation was announced while officials discussed ways of fighting Europe's drug traffic at an international conference in Frankfort. One expert predicts the German city of Leipzig will become a large European drug center.

In Malaysia, an American computer lecturer faces a possible death sentence. Kerry Wiley of Scramento, California, was arrested last year. Wiley denied in testimony today that he carried pot across the Thai- Malaysia border.

Sotheby auction house says a London dealer paid the second highest price ever

for a musical manuscript. An original autographed manuscript for two of Mozart's greatest works sold for one-point-seven-Million dollars.

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#90327b0040 11/23/1990 ~Business Wire

NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Harvey Bibicoff, chairman of the board of Ventura Entertainment Group (NASDAQ:VEGG) announced the company had accepted the resignations of board members Rob Lieberman and James Osmond.

Bibicoff also announced that the board had elected Arthur Mogull, president and chief executive officer of its Ventura Music Group Ltd. division, to be the seventh member of its board of directors.

In making the announcement, Bibicoff said: ''Artie Mogull was the former chairman of the board of directors of United Artists Records, former senior vice president of SBK Records and former vice president of MCA Records, Warner Records and Warner Music.

''His long and distinguished career of more than 25 years in the entertainment industry has already proven to be an invaluable asset to the Music Group division. We look forward to his increased participation and contributions in the continued development of all of the Ventura Entertainment Group divisions.''

Ventura Entertainment Group is a fully integrated entertainment production company which, directly and through its subsidiaries, produces television commercials, develops and produces network, cable and syndicated television series, miniseries, MOWs, theatrical motion pictures, music/variety specials and live events for the domestic and international marketplace. The company also produces and publishes music, and owns the Ventura Media Center in Orem, Utah, one of the largest production facilities outside of Los Angeles.

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GLENDALE, CA (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - At the annual meeting of shareholders, held in Glendale Wednesday, Nov. 21, A. E. Gosselin Jr., chief executive officer and president of Pollution Research and Control Corp. (NASDAQ:PRCC) announced that the company's recommended slate of members of the board of directors had been approved for reelection by shareholders voting, in person, or by proxy, at the meeting.

''With this mandate from our shareholders,'' Gosselin said, ''and with a current record backlog of $1.4 million of orders to be filled, we look forward

to a highly successful fiscal 1991 and I anticipate that sales for the year should be approximately $5 million, which we expect will yield a net income of about $500,000, or 14 cents per share.''

The company recently had entered into an agreement with Sir S.A. of Spain to form Dasibi Espana for the purpose of manufacturing PRCC's Dasibi line of pollution-monitoring instruments in Spain. The initial order placed by the Spanish facility was for $250,000 of instruments to become part of an air-monitoring network in Madrid. That order has since been increased to $390,000.

More recently, on Nov. 14, PRCC reported that the South Korean EPA had placed an order with the company for $550,000 of instruments to be shipped on completion.

Pollution Research and Control designs, manufactures and markets air pollution-monitoring instruments, nationally and internationally, under the trade name Dasibi.

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#90327b0052 11/23/1990 ~Business Wire
SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&E Corp. (AMEX:ATW) announced Friday that the company and certain of its officers and directors have been named as defendants in a purported class action complaint filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California in San Francisco.

The complaint alleges violations of Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder. The complaint seeks unspecified damages.

AT&E stated that it believes the lawsuit is groundless and without merit and intends to vigorously defend the action.

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SACRAMENTO (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America will open its new Promenade branch in the Promenade shopping center at 7467 Rush River Drive at

9 a.m. next Monday, Nov. 26.

The branch will serve the Greenhaven/Pocket residential area and is BofA's second new branch in the greater Sacramento area this year. ''Our new Promenade branch is squarely in the path of residential growth in the Sacramento metropolitan area today, and conveniently offers the full range of banking products and services the Greenhaven/Pocket area needs,'' said Clyde Von Essen, senior vice president and manager of the bank's Sacramento District.

Located at the corner of Windbridge and Rush River Drive, the 4000-square-foot facility features new design concepts that will enhance customer service and make using the branch significantly easier for both consumer and business clients, Von Essen said.

Just inside the main entrance of the branch, a BofA financial services specialist will be stationed at a client assistance desk to provide general information about bank services or to direct clients to the appropriate individual in the branch who can assist them.

In addition, the interior of the branch can be easily adjusted to meet changing consumer needs. The key areas of the branch, including the teller line and the platform area where branch clients conduct business with financial services officers, are modular in structure and can be easily modified and redesigned.

The teller counter is a good example of modular engineering, according to Von Essen. The overall shape of the counter can be changed, or it can be lengthened or shortened, without tearing up floors or walls.

The branch also features the latest in convenience banking services. A VERSATELLER automated teller machine is located outside the branch, and a telephone in the lobby allows customers to speak directly with BofA customer service units.

The new branch's business clients will be served by a special merchant teller area and by an external night depository unit. The general contractor for the branch was PC/M Group of Sacramento. The architect for the interior was Interior Architects of San Francisco, and, for the exterior, Cabak Randall Jasper Griffiths Associates of Menlo Park.

The fist branch Bank of America opened in the greater Sacramento area this year was its new Roseville Main Office at 2221 Douglas Boulevard. That facility, which opened June 25, was designed to serve the rapidly growing commercial and residential area east of Interstate 80 in that community.

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#90327b0074 11/23/1990 ~Business Wire
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas J. Kalinske, president and chief executive officer of Sega of America Inc., Friday announced that Michael Katz is leaving the company.

Katz had served as president and chief executive officer of Sega's consumer products division since joining the company a year ago.

''Michael has helped us gain an important foothold in this very competitive market,'' Kalinske said. ''And we're pleased he has agreed to continue working with us as a consultant in 1991.''

Both Kalinske and Katz said that the parting is on good terms and wish each other the best in future endeavors. Katz' resignation is effective Monday (Nov. 26).

Sega of America Inc. also makes arcade games and computer software. Parent corporation Sega Enterprise Ltd./Japan is a 35-year-old worldwide leader in high-tech electronic entertainment systems and toys.

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#90327b0616 11/23/1990 ~Business Wire
VANCOUVER, BC (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Bunker Hill Mining Company Inc. announced the appointment of company president Jack W. Kendrick as chairman of the board, effective January 1, 1991.

Kendrick concurrently announced the appointment of Alan H. Richardson as president and a director of the Company, effective the same date.

Richardson is currently employed as chairman and chief executive officer of Butte Mining PLC, a post he will leave at year end. His prior employment history includes progressively responsible positions with Inco Ltd., Centennial Minerals Ltd., and Pegasus Gold Corporation.

Commenting on Richardson's appointment, Kendrick stated, ''During the past 30 years, Alan Richardson has accumulated a wealth of experience in the mining industry. His diverse background in mining and metallurgical operations, investor relations, international finance, and executive management ensure that he will make an invaluable contribution to the future growth of the

company. We are extremely pleased that he has decided to share his considerable talents with us.''

The company also announced that Robert L. Magnuson has resigned as a director of the company, effective January 1, 1991. Magnuson resigned in order to satisfy the Canadian securities regulation requiring Canadian residents to comprise a majority of the Board.

Kendrick stated, ''Bob Magnuson's valuable counsel will be missed but we deeply appreciate his service during the company's formative years.''

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#90327b0618 11/23/1990 ~Business Wire

CLEVELAND, OH (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - As anticipated, Ameritrust Corporation (NASDAQ:AMTR) today announced that its Board of Directors voted to reduce the dividend on the Corporation's common stock.

The Board declared a quarterly dividend of 16 cents per common share, down from 32 cents per share in the third quarter. The dividend is payable December 10, 1990, to common stockholders of record at the close of business on December 3, 1990.

''The Board's decision to reduce the dividend on the common stock was prudent in view of our expectations for financial performance in the near-term and general economic conditions,'' said Craig R. Smith, chairman and chief executive of Ameritrust. ''Management and the Board are committed to improving our future performance, and we intend to use our financial strength to do just that.''

The Board also declared a quarterly dividend of $1.328 per share of preferred stock, payable December 1, 1990, to preferred stockholders of record at the close of business on November 23, 1990. The preferred stock dividend is consistent with the terms of the security.

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SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Alta Gold Co. (NASDAQ:ALTA), the Salt Lake City based diversified metals mining company, continued to show steady progress through the nine month period ended Sept. 30.

The company reported revenues increased $5,886,000 over the comparable period a year ago, from $28,676,000 in 1989 to this year's $34,562,000. Revenues for the period included $27,675,000 from sales of precious metals, $6,158,000 from base metals sales, $527,000 from management fees and $202,000 for sales of sodium cyanide from the recently completed Cyanco manufacturing facility in which Alta Gold holds a 33.3 percent interest.

Gold production for the nine months was reported at 64,723 ounces, which reflects the company's percentage share of total production under its joint ventures.

Alta Gold also began producing base metals at full production from its Ward underground mine and Taylor processing mill in April, and through Sept. 30 had produced 9,918,000 pounds of zinc, along with 50,200 ounces of by-product silver, 411,900 pounds of lead and 43,400 pounds of cadmium. From the Cyanco plant, the company's shares of sodium cyanide production was 307,400 pounds.

Difficulties in the start-up of operations during the first quarter, inflationary factors related to such items as the purchase prices of cyanide and diesel fuels and environmental control costs contributed to the average cash production cost for gold operations of $314 per ounce during the nine months, and resulted in a loss from operations of $2,803,000 or 10.8 cents per share, compared to a loss of $1,729,000 or 6.5 cents during the same period a year ago.

However, various cost-cutting measures instituted by the company reduced cash costs to $266 per ounce in the third quarter.

Revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30 increased by $2,498,000 over the comparable period of a year ago, from $10,901,000 in 1989 to $13,399,000 this year.

However, for the same reasons experienced during the nine-month period, the company showed a third quarter loss of $369,000 or one cent per share, compared to last year's third quarter loss of $1,266,000, or five cents per share.

For the first quarter, Alta Gold had a per-share loss of six cents, and for the second quarter the company improved to a 3-cent-per-share loss.

Alta Gold also received the results of an updated reserve study for the shallow gold reserves on the Robinson Mine near Ely, Nev. The study shows a reduction in the economic reserves at the mine due to higher operating costs and lower recoveries.

The study showed a total of 410,049 contained ounces in the seven deposits analyzed, a reduction of 103,051 contained ounces from the 1989 study, after giving effect to adjustments in ore inventory and production.

The 1989 study showed 615,000 contained ounces for the same seven deposits. Total production of 102,000 ounces was achieved from these deposits after the 1989 study and prior to the 1990 study.

Ten deposits were not analyzed in the 1990 study primarily due to the economic impact of the lower than anticipated recoveries experienced during 1990.

These deposits represented 286,700 contained ounces in the 1989 study. The company is currently reevaluating the resources and metallurgical characterization of these ten deposits.

The company also recently announced the intention of Magma Copper Co. to purchase jointly with Alta Gold the Robinson Mining District from Kennecott Corp. Such a purchase would make available to Alta Gold and Magma Copper Co. the deeper copper-gold deposits contained on the property.

Preliminary data from an extensive feasibility study indicates a reserve of about 200 million tons of copper-gold ore, from which 2.2 billion pounds of copper and 1.2 million ounces of gold could be produced.

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FRANKFURT, West Germany (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - On Friday the DTB (Deutsche Terminboerse) began trading bund- and dax-futures.

It is the first time financial futures have ever been traded on an exchange in the Federal Republic. The DTB, a fully electronic exchange, had already introduced supraregional options trading on January 26, 1990. In the meantime 65 national and international financial institutions registered in Germany are now linked to the system. According to the DTB Chairman Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer, the introduction of bund- and dax- futures closes a gap in services, making Germany more competitive on the whole as a financial marketplace.

Breuer emphasized that in times of increasing globalisation of the markets financial management in trade and industry has to meet related fluctuations in the interest and stock markets with an active strategy.

With the bund- and dax-futures, these groups now have instruments with which to protect themselves against fluctuations of this kind or to participate in these movements. ''If a financial manager does not weigh the possibilities of

employing bund-futures, for example, in his risk management today, then no later than 1993, when the single european market gets underway, he will be up against competitors who have been making active use of these instruments for quite some time,'' Breuer pointed out.

Breuer says that failure to consider these new opportunities can be a considerable disadvantage in a competitive market. DTB's Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Joerg Franke, referred to the existing competitive situation between the London Futures Exchange Liffe and the Frankfurt-based DTB: ''For the first time a derivative product, namely the bund-futures contract, is being traded in one and the same time zone, both on a trading floor and at a fully computerized exchange.''

Franke is certain that the future course of development in the financial markets will also essentially depend on how the DTB - as a fully computerized exchange with integrated clearing - measures up to the Liffe. DTB's managing director, Friedrich W. Wahl, underscored the fact that the DTB has a number of important advantages in its favour - a higher degree of market transparency a wide variety of analysis capabilities and efficient monitoring and supervision of the market.

As Wahl sees it, the EDP Syspi has passed the test: ''The DTB has already shown that the system can handle even high turnovers of more than 54,000 options contracts traded.''

Trading in financial futures at the exchange began according to plan. Pre-trading opened at 7:30 a.m. Trading in the bund futures contract then opened at 8:00 a.m. and in the dax-futures at 10:30 a.m.

By 11:20 a.m. 2,094 contracts had already been traded in the bund- and 508 contracts in the dax-futures.

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BALTIMORE (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Allied Research Corp., (NASDAQ:ARAI) reported sales of $7.1 million for three months ended Sept. 30, compared with sales of $8.1 million for the same period in 1989.

The company reported an after-tax loss of $2.3 million or 56 cents a common share, compared with a loss of $1.6 million or 40 cents a common share for the 1989 period.

Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30 were $27.9 million, compared with sales of $32.2 million for the same period in 1989. The company lost $4.8 million or $1.20 a common share in the first nine months, compared with a loss

of $4.2 million or $1.03 a common share for the same period in 1989.

Reinald W. Carter, president and chief executive officer, said the results were in line with previous company predictions.

Reduced production levels during the quarter resulted in insufficient direct labor costs to offset indirect and fixed costs. In addition, the firm's Belgian unit, Mecar S.A., was closed during the month of July for its annual vacation period.

Current backlog is $71 million, up from $27 million on June 30, with additional orders currently in negotiation.

Carter said operations are expected to turn profitable in 1991 as production work begins on the company's large order backlog. Allied Research Corp. designs, develops and produces high technology products and weapons systems for conventional defense needs.

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TORONTO (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - CSA Management Limited and Goldcorp Investments Limited announce that together they have acquired all the remaining property and assets of Abermin Corporation from Deloitte & Touche Inc., Trustee in Bankruptcy of the Estate of Abermin Corporation.

The purchase agreement has been approved by the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

Included in the purchase, is Abermin's interests in a number of promising Canadian mineral exploration properties. These properties are diversified as to mineral type and include precious metals, base metals uranium and coal.

Additionally, the purchase includes all the shares of Abermin Inc., formerly the U.S. subsidiary of Abermin Corp. Abermin Inc., with offices in Wheat Ridge, Colo., owns mineral rights to all or part of over 250,000 gross acres in Elko County, Nev., and to the 100,000 acre Luis Maria Baca Land Grant No. 4 located in Saguache County, Colo. These exploration properties are located in areas that are highly favourable for precious metals mineralization. Detailed exploration is currently underway on four gold exploration targets located on these properties for which exploration drilling is planned beginning in the summer of 1991.

CSA Management Limited is a public company and its shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange. Goldcorp Investments Limited is a public company and its shares are listed on the Toronto and Montreal Stock Exchanges. CSA Management is the manager of Goldcorp Investments.

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HANOVER, WEST GERMANY (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The following is a statement from Continental AG:

The Executive Board of Continental AG met with the company's Supervisory Board in Hanover on Nov. 21, 1990. The purpose of the meeting was to review and assess Continental's strategic position in the light of the outlook for the tire industry and also the approach made to Continental by Pirelli.

The Supervisory Board fully concurred with the Executive Board's view, reached after a thorough examination of Continental's position, that Continental is well placed to weather the current difficult conditions which tire manufacturers are experiencing and to prosper on its own as an independent company. In this regard, the substantial capital investment program carried out by Continental in the last few years is important as is the strength of Continental's balance sheet.

As to Continental's financial outlook, the Executive Board has already stated in its letter to shareholders of November 19, 1990 that the corporation expects to show a profit for the year to December 31, 1990, whereas some of Continental's major competitors have forecast substantial losses for the same period. The Executive Board also expects that the corporation will continue to show profits in the coming years. The corporation has adequate financial resources for its development plans.

Generally, as far as a combination of the tire activities of Pirelli and Continental is concerned, the view of the Executive Board, which is shared by the Supervisory Board, is that it would certainly involve significant risks in the short and medium term but would possibly bring some advantages in the long term, and that while there would be some synergies they would be substantially lower than Pirelli has claimed. As part of the process of considering whether such a combination could have merit, Continental would have liked to discuss with Pirelli the question of the extent of strategic and synergistic benefits which might flow from a combination because there is a significant difference of view between the parties as to the likely level of such benefits.

Continental, proposes that financial advisors of Continental and Pirelli should meet to discuss the relative value of these businesses drawing on publicly available information. Dr. Dieter von Herz Corporate Public Relations Hanover, Nov. 22, 1990

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Vestex Inc. (traded over the counter) announced Friday that on Nov. 21, 1990 it consummated the exchange offer with the shareholders of Nuvision Entertainment Inc. (''Nuvision'') resulting in Nuvision becoming a wholly owned subsidiary of Vestex.

Nuvision was founded earlier this year to develop and market interactive entertainment products and videogame software primarily for use with ''Sega Genesis,'' a new generation 16-bit videogame system from Sega Enterprises Ltd. a Japanese-based manufacturer and world leader in the high technology arcade game business and videogame market.

The unique advantage of 16-bit videogame systems is that they provide highly realistic gameplay with greatly improved graphics, sound and action over the popular 8-bit system now marketed by several companies.

The 16-bit videogame systems are expected to rapidly gain a foothold in the worldwide marketplace. In Japan, they now account for more than 35 percent of new game systems and game software sales.

Nuvision's initial strategy is to create and mass market unique and proprietary games that utilize the strengths of the more powerful ''Sega Genesis System.'' Nuvision is curently developing six videogames for the ''Sega Genesis System.'' Nuvision's first two games, Bimini Run and Beanball Benny are scheduled for introduction in early 1991 and have already generated orders aggregating $1 million from retailers including Toys R Us, KayBee Toys, Babbages and Electronic Boutique. In addition, a Japanese company has expressed an interest in acquiring the distribution rights for Bimini run in Japan.

Recent projections for the U.S. videogame market are estimated to top $4 billion in 1990, up from $3.4 billion in 1989.

Nuvision is also completing the development of baseball and football electronic table top games that are intended to appeal to the ''upscale''

adult game market.

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#90327c0002 11/23/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:30 that trade in Long Island City Financial Corp. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. news. The last trade was 17 3/4. The Company is listed on the NASD, ticker symbol LICF.

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#90327c0004 11/23/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:56 that trade in Hart Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: HTII) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 1/8; down 1/16 points from the halt, and previous close.

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#90327c0005 11/23/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:54 that trade in Long Island City Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: LICF) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 19; up 1 3/4 points from the halt, and previous close.

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#90327c0006 11/23/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 23) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:54 that trade in Sprouse-Reitz Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: STRS) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 12; up 5 3/4 points from the halt, and previous close.

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#90327d0890 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 23) - South Korea is troubled by a mounting stockpile of surplus rice from a succession of bumper crops, and must now try to get rid of it.

Government warehouses across the country, already bulging with two million metric tons of rice, are now faced with an extra million tons of surplus from this year's harvest, which the government is beginning to buy up.

And this year's harvest was just average, estimated at around 5.56 million tons.

According to the South Korean Agriculture Ministry, the government's stockpile

averaged about one to 1.4 million tons per year until 1989, when the figure started to rise.

The government has to spend a whopping 400 billion won (555.5 million dollars) to store the rice in warehouses, in addition to money already spent on subsidizing rice.

South Korea cannot export its rice because the price is three times higher than the international market price due to government subsidies - and Korean rice, more glutinous than Southeast Asian rice, is generally liked only by Koreans and Japanese.

The costly stockpile of the staple began increasing as affluent South Koreans started eating less rice and more meat.

Official statistics showed that an average South Korean consumed 126 kilograms (277 pounds) of rice and 15.7 kilos (35.5 pounds) of meat per year three years ago.

This year, the figures are estimated at 120 kilos (264 pounds) of rice and 20 kilos (44 pounds) of meat.

South Koreans considered it a luxury as recently as the 1960s to have three bowls of white polished rice a day. Many farmers literally starved in the spring before the crop was harvested.

The government has encouraged rice consumption by allowing breweries to make rice wine - strictly banned during past rice-short years - while confectionaries have started making rice cakes and instant rice noodles.

But the plan has failed to make a dent in the rising stockpile.

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#90327d0990 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (NOV. 23) - Japan Golf Systems on Friday won New Zealand government approval to buy one of the country's top golf courses provided it ensures half the players using it are New Zealanders.

In October, outgoing Labour Party lands minister Peter Tapsell vetoed the company's attempt to buy the 146-hectare (360-acre) golf course at Wairakei,

400 kilometres (250 miles) north of here, from the U.S.-owned South Pacific Hotels Ltd. for an undisclosed price.

New Lands Minister Rob Storey said in a press statement that he had given the company approval under four conditions which, he said, it had agreed to in a contract.

Japan Golf Systems agreed that at least 50 percent of players using the course would be New Zealanders, and that the company would "use its best endeavours" to ensure the course was used for international tournaments.

It also said it would ensure the creation of employment opportunities for the local work force, and that developments costing at least five million New Zealand dollars (three million U.S.) would be undertaken in line with a timetable to be provided by the lands ministry.

"New Zealand will benefit in a number of ways from this sale, including additional tourist revenue, an enhanced perception of New Zealand as a high quality destination for Japanese business tourists, and international television coverage from the improved standard which the new purchaser will provide," Mr. Storey said.

He said the 50 percent kiwi players condition had been included because of fears that the course could be swamped by tourists.

The company would not be strictly bound by the rule, but it had agreed to do the best it could to meet it.

When Mr. Tapsell blocked the sale saying it was not in New Zealand's best interests, Mr. Storey's party accused Labour of discriminating against Japanese ownership.

Wairakei and its associated hotel were, until early this year, part of the government-owned Tourist Hotel Corp. which the government sold off.

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#90327d1000 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GABARONE (NOV. 23) - South Africa's First National Bank (FNB) has applied to the Reserve (Central) Bank here to begin operations in Botswana, a spokesman for the Reserve Bank said Friday.

The government and the Reserve Bank had concurred on granting a licence to FNB once it satisfies the requirements of Botswana's Financial Requirements Act, the spokesman added.

FNB's initial outlay could be in the region of 10 million pula (5.15 million dollars) and it would be the fifth commercial bank in Botswana.

The other banks in the country at present are Barcklays, Standard Chartered, the Bank of Credit and Commerce and Zimbank.

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#90327d1030 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSAKA, Japan (NOV. 23) - The March 1993 target date for inaugurating Kansai International Airport will be delayed to September 1994 because of unexpected subsiding of ground on an artificial island in Osaka Bay, sponsors said Friday.

The postponement was decided at a meeting Monday here attended by the sponsors of the ambitious project - Kansai International Airport Co.(KIAC), the Osaka prefectural government, the Kansai Economic Federation and Osaka Chamberof Commer Industry, they said.

KIAC President Yoshio Takeuchi told Japanese reporters that the opening will be delayed by 18 months because of additional work needed to correct subsiding ground and for adjustments to the air traffic control system.

He also said costs for expanding the airport's passenger terminal from its original size have boosted total cost from 1.067 trillion yen (8.2 billion dollars) to 1.5 trillion yen (11.5 billion dollars).

Engineers involved in the project earlier said the man-made island four kilometers (2.4 miles) of southern Osaka is sinking under its own weight at a rate faster than expected.

The new international airport will be Japan's first 24-hour airport.

Meanwhile, Hiroshima Airport Building Co. said it has selected a Japan-U.S. consortium from among four bidders to design terminal buildings at a new Hiroshima International Airport.

The successul bidder is a joint venture betwen two Japanese firms and Austin Co. of the United States.

Construction work is to start in April 1992, with the new airport scheduled to open in December 1993, it said.

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#90327d1220 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (NOV. 23) - Taiwan Friday scrapped reserve requirements on foreign currency deposits in a bid to keep the local unit down and curb the inflow of speculative money from abroad, central bank officials said.

Central Bank of China officials said the move was aimed at heading off a rise in the local dollar which has firmed on Taiwan's strong export performance and pressure from the United States, one of the island's major trade partners.

Banks were ordered June 23 to hold reserves of 29 percent on demand deposits and of 13 percent on time deposits in foreign currencies to curb a capital outflow, spurred by speculation in the U.S. dollar, the officials said.

Official figures put Taiwan's capital outflow at a record 1.66 billion U.S. dollars in the first eight months of the year, levelling off from July.

The Taiwan dollar averaged 26.5 against the greenback earlier this year, then fell to 27.5 in June. The currency firmed at the end of September to 27.3 to the U.S. dollar and Thursday closed at 27.18.

Washington hinted last week it would like to see the Taiwan dollar rise further to cut a trade surplus with the United States running at 7.8 billion dollars in the first 10 months of this year.

Taiwan had a surplus of 12 billion dollars last year on trade with the United States worth 36 billion dollars.

Reserve requirements are one of tools used by governments to control the money supply.

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#90327d1340 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 23) - A total of 45,691 bags of Kenyan coffee were offered for sale to markets at Nairobi's weekly auction and 45,557 bags were sold for an average price of 1,876.29 Kenyan pounds (1,631.55 dollars) per ton.

Although prices were still low, there was a firmer trend.

To date, 1,344,033 bags of 1989-90 pool have been sold to all markets with an overall gross average price of 2,218 Kenyan pounds (1,928.-69 dollars) per ton.

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#90327d1350 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 23) - France had a seasonally adjusted trade deficit in October of 5.86 billion francs (1.17 billion dollars) compared with a deficit of 10.6 billion francs (2.1 billion dollars) in September, the customs department announced Friday.

For the first six months of the year, France's trade deficit reached 38.5 billion francs (7.7 billion dollars), compared with 39.5 billion francs (7.9 billion dollars) for the same period last year.

Exports in October totalled 102.4 billion francs (20.5 billion dollars) while imports reached 108.3 billion francs (21.6 billion dollars).

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#90327d1660 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 23) - China plans to build a large-scale nuclear power plant in eastern Jiangsu province in the next 10 years, a semi-official Beijing news agency said Friday.

The plant, to be constructed near Lianyungang city north of Jiangsu, would improve power supply in the Yangtse River delta, the Hong Kong China News Service said.

It added that the site, identified for its geological and demographical advantages, was recently chosen by energy officials from among three possible locations in Jiangsu.

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#90327d1890 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NOUMEA (NOV. 23) - Japanese group Nisshin is to build a resort for Japanese tourists, including an 18-hole golf course and a four-star hotel with at least 300 rooms, sources here said Friday.

Nisshin signed an agreement with New Caledonia's south province and was granted a 50-year lease on a 72-hectare (178-acre) block of coastal land on the outskirts of Noumea, the source said.

In return for the land, Nisshin committed itself to starting work on the complex before September 1, 1991, the source said.

The work was expected to be complete before the end of 1994, the source said, adding that the Japanese company would benefit from a 20-year tax exemption, which the south province approved recently for similar projects.

The source said the agreement was signed for the province by deputy Jacques Lafleur, a member of the anti-independence RPCR party.

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#90327d2090 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAMPALA (NOV. 23) - Uganda has appealed for food aid for 185,000 people facing famine caused by civil war and drought in the north-east of the country.

Third Deputy Prime Minister Abubakar Mayanja urged representatives of relief agencies on Thursday to help get food to the war-ravaged north-eastern districts of Kumi and Soroti.

Kumi District Administrator Mathias Akabwai, who attended the meeting with the relief officials, appealed for nearly 11,000 tons of food over the next six months to feed 135,000 people on the verge of starvation in his district.

Deputy Relief and Rehabilitation Minister Deogratias Rwabita, who is

coordinating relief efforts in the north-east, said another 50,000 people faced starvation in Soroti.

Many of the famine victims are people who have spent most of this year in camps set up to accommodate the local population while government troops hunted down rebels of the Ugandan People's Army (UPA), Akabwai said.

The four-year rebellion seems to be on its last legs, as hundreds of UPA fighters have surrendered after the army launched a drive to flush them out. The UPA has been fighting government forces since President Yoweri Museveni seized power in 1986 after a five-year guerrilla war.

To give the army a free hand, many civilians were housed in a dozen temporary camps opened in February. But now they are returning home to find their fields bare, as they were unable to plant crops.

Parts of the area have also been hit by drought, Akabwai said, while many cattle-keepers have lost their livestock to thieves who took advantage of the war to round up cattle and sell them in other parts of the country.

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#90327d2120 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (NOV. 23) - Bank Negara, Malaysia's central bank, said Friday that it has acquired more than 88 million shares in the newly-listed Syarikat Telekoms Malaysia (Telekoms) from a finance ministry agency.

The central bank said that 88.249 million Telekoms shares issued to Ministry of Finance Inc. were taken up by Bank Negara but did not say how much it paid for the block.

The shares represented 4.5 percent of Telekoms' entire equity of 1.97 billion shares. The company made a public offer of 470.5 million shares priced at five dollars (1.85 U.S. dollars) a piece earlier this month.

The Bank Negara stake is part of 152.1 million shares set aside for approved institutions in compliance with requirements for public share issues.

"They are just parking it with Bank Negara so that the supply of shares will be less and price will go up," an investment analyst said.

Telekoms, the biggest privatised utility company to be listed on the Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange (KLSE), made its debut at a price of 6.15 dollars (2.28 U.S.). The shares closed at 6.90 dollars (2.55 U.S.) Friday.

The finance ministry has said it intended placing out some shares with foreign investors at a price no lower than the issue price.

Bank Negara has also acquired from the finance ministry significant blocks in Malaysia Airlines and Malaysian International International Shipping Corp, which were privatised in recent years.

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#90327d2220 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 23) - Hong Kong is bracing for a lower economic growth and a higher inflation rate in 1990, the government said Friday.

A weak economic showing in the first three quarters of the year coupled with an oil price hike caused by the Gulf crisis has led the government to trim its forecast of gross domestic product (GDP) growth rate for the year to 2.3 percent, from an original three per cent.

The British colony's inflation would in turn rise to 9.7 percent against an earlier estimate of 8.5 percent, the government said in its latest economic report.

The new forecasts came amid a still-tight labour market here, with unemployment running at 1.7 percent of a total workforce of 2.8 million.

Inflation logged an average of 9.4 percent between January and September, with most economists expecting the annual average to run into double-digits.

On the trade front, while the Gulf scenario has brought weaker economic showings in the colony's major markets, the government was hopeful for positive developments elsewhere.

"The re-unification of Germany, the expansion in outward processing trade (to China) and the reflationary measures in China" should benefit Hong Kong's domestic exports to the two countries, the report said.

Hong Kong's export-led economy suffered a trade deficit of 1.6 billion Hong Kong dollars (200 million U.S.) in the first three quarters, with demand for made-in-Hong Kong goods staying sluggish from key buyers, especially the United States.

During the period the value of locally made exports was down 1.4 percent year-on-year to 161.6 billion dollars (20.7 billion U.S.) while reports, mostly goods originated from or re-destined to China, gained 15 percent to 293 billion (37.6 billion U.S.)

Imports meanwhile grew 8.5 percent to nearly 456 billion dollars (58.5 billion U.S.)

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#90327d2310 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DHAKA (NOV. 23) - Political unrest in Bangladesh dampened the Chittagong tea market and despite active foreign interest prices remained low, the BSS news agency reported here Friday.

Almost all broken grades on sale Thursday remained two taka (five cents) per kilogram down on the last auction despite buyers from eastern Europe, Iran and Pakistan being in evidence, the agency said.

Only good brokens were in strong demand with several varities selling between 58.50 taka (1.62 dollars) and 59.60 taka (1.66 dollars) per kilogram.

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#90327d2320 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 23) - Lebowa platinum mine has dismissed some 1,200 miners after repeated work stoppages, mine owners Johannesburg Consolidated Investments announced here Thursday.

The mine, in the northern self-governing Lebowa homeland, laid off 90 percent of its workforce in May after an illegal strike but reinstated the 1,500 workers later in May after pressure from the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM).

JCI said despite and agreement with NUM that no illegal industrial action will take place, further incidents of stayaways and illegal work stoppages had taken place in October and November.

Nearly a hundred workers were dismissed Tuesday after they walked off work and ultimatums were issued to the remainder of underground workers who had stopped working demanding the reinstatement of the dismissed workers.

On Thursday, they were also dismissed, JCI said.

NUM Press Officer Jerry Majatladi said Thursday the dismissal of the workers was indicative of JCI's "poor attitude towards industrial relations issues".

Mr. Majatladi added that the union was waiting for a response from JCI management on proposals it had made Thursday regarding negotiations for the workers' reinstatement.

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#90327d2330 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR (NOV. 23) - Eight regional software companies Friday set up the Asia Pacific Infotech Consortium (ASPIC), the first network of its kind in the Asia Pacific region.

The companies involved are Business Decisions Systems (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd, Business Decision Systems Marketing (Singapore) Pte Ltd., Business Decisions Systems of Thailand, ASPIC BDS of Japan, Korean Business Consulting Co. Ltd.,

Case Technology of China, Aspic Infotech Taiwan Inc. and JBA (Hong Kong) Ltd.

BDS Malaysia managing director Tan Soo Kong said the formation of such a consortium would bring about new horizons in software development and marketing potential.

"Each individual company specialises in its respective fields, resulting in each helping the others to generate more business," he said.

Mr. Tan said ASPIC would be the largest company of its kind in the Asia-Pacific region offering total software packages and expertise for the manufacturing and distribution industries.

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#90327d2340 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 23) - South Korea will ask a reluctant Japan to establish a joint committee on technology transfer when economic and foreign ministers of the two countries meet here next week, officials said here Friday.

Japanese officials were, however, pessimistic about a breakthrough during the ministerial talks Monday and Tuesday.

A committee to pass high Japanese techonoly to South Korea through joint ventures and research, raised by President Roh Tae-Woo when he visited Tokyo in May, has been a cause of friction between the two neighbors.

An official of South Korea's Economic Planning Board said the two sides had negotiated for the past five months without a solution and that Seoul would use the opportunity of the ministers' meeting to again press Tokyo.

The ministers of foreign affairs, justice, finance, agriculture, trade, transportation and science and technology of the two countries are to meet here for their 15th such conference - which will also be the first in 15 years.

"We'll raise the issue. It's very important to our position as we're very interested in technology transfer, but we don't know how Japan will answer," said the South Korean official.

A Japanese diplomat said he doubted that the two sides could narrow their differences next week, repeating Japan's position that government action was limited because the technologies Seoul sought were in the private sector.

"It will be difficult, frankly speaking. I'm not optimistic," he said.

The South Korean official said Seoul and Tokyo would also discuss "changes in the world economic situation" such as current world trade talks, economic reforms in Eastern Europe and the integration of the European Economic Community.

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#90327d2370 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 23) - The Soviet Union and South Korea initialled a double taxation avoidance agreement here Friday, allowing each other's firms equal treatment, officials said.

The agreement and five other economic accords will be formally signed when President Roh Tae-Woo visits Moscow next month and meets with his Soviet counterpart Mikhail Gorbachev, they said.

The 28-article agreement was initialed by Soviet Vice Finance Minister Vladimir Rodyushkin and Kim Yong-Jin, director of the Finance Ministry here, they said.

The agreement calls for, among others, the exemption of taxes by the Soviet Union on the earnings of South Korean firms involved in air and shipping services as well as on interest on loans to the Soviet Union.

The five other agreements cover trade, investment guarantees, aviation, fisheries, and science and technology.

Meanwhile, a senior Soviet official said that South Korea would provide the Soviet Union with consumer goods in soft loans.

Vadim Medvedev said at a press conference before his departure for home after an eight-day visit that details for the agreements had already been discussed during his week-long visit here with the Trade and Industry Ministry.

South Korea and the Soviet Union set up ties in September, ending four decades of Cold War freeze.

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#90327d2380 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (NOV. 23) - Continental Oil Company (Conoco) Indonesia Inc. of the U.S. has find significant gas reserves from its operation in the Indonesian waters of the South China Sea, the state oil firm Pertamina said here Friday.

Conoco, a subsidiary of Du Pont Company, made the discovery in the Natuna Sea Block B which it operated under a production sharing contract with Pertamina, it said in a statement.

Tests on the Buntal-1 well proved a cumulative flow of 63.4 million cubic feet of gas per day, it said.

Conoco is the main operator of the Natuna Sea Block B, holding a 40 percent equity. A subsidiary of Texaco Inc. of the U.S. holds 25 percent, and those of Chevron International Ltd., of the U.S. and Japan's Indonesia Petroleum Ltd has 17.5 percent each.

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#90327d2500 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 23) - An earthquake with an estimated intensity of 5.0 on the open ended Ricther scale rocked a wide area in western Japan Friday, the Meteorological Agency said.

The quake, which occurred at 7:33 p.m. (1033 GMT), was centred in Tottori Prefecture, the agency said.

Police said there were no immediate reports of injuries or damage.

A quake measuring 5.0 on the Richter scale can cause considerable damage in a built-up area while one measuring 6.0 can cause severe damage.

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#90327d2590 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manama (NOV. 23) - Bahrain and the United States are planning to set up a joint trade council aimed at encouraging investment on the island, it was reported here Friday.

The Manama-based Gulf News Agency said the Bahraini authorities have agreed to the establishment of a trade council comprising people from the private sector in Bahrain and the United States.

Youssef Ahmed al-Shirawi, the Bahraini Minister of Industry and Development, had proposed the formation of such a council to include members who can invite investors in the field of industry, it said.

The proposed council, to be based in Bahrain, is expected to have a membership of 10 on both sides.

Contacts are already underway to outline the council's by-laws and the Bahraini Ministry of Industry and Development would give it advice and guidance, the agency said.

Meanwhile, the Bahrain Monetary Agency (Bma) had issued a licence recently to the Kuwait Investment Company allowing the company to work in Bahrain

according to the island's banking investment law, the Qatar News Agency reported Friday.

Kuwait's government-in-exile has the biggest share of the company's capital.

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#90327d2650 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (NOV. 23) - The Taiwan government on Friday acknowledged for the first time that unification talks between Taipei and Beijing are "unavoidable."

"In the course of unification, so-called talks in the future are unavoidable," Presidential Office spokesman Cheyne Chiu told a news conference.

Mr. Chiu was the first Taiwan government official to publicly acknowledge the probability of talks between the two bitter rivals.

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#90327d2680 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (NOV. 23) - Canadian External Affairs Minister Joe Clark arrived here Friday for a one-day visit, the first stop of a three-nation tour which will also take him to Jordan and Israel.

Official sources said his talks with Turkish Foreign Minister Ahmet Kurtcebe Alptemocin, Prime Minister Yildirim Akbulut and President Turgut Ozal will centre on the Gulf crisis.

Clark's visit coincided with press reports that Turkey was sending more units and equipment to its 331-kilometre border with Iraq where the sides have already massed about 95,000 troops each.

The Istanbul daily Huerriyet said that beside the Leopard-I tanks supplied by Germany, the Korean War vintage M-48 tanks recently updated were being sent to the border.

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#90327d2710 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 23) - Cerus, the French holding company of Italian businessman Carlo de Benedetti, has sold its shares in Arnault Associates to Credit Lyonnais for about 100 million dollars as part of moves to reduce its debt.

The state-owned French bank announced Friday that it had bought 19.7 per cent of Arnault Associates shares from Cerus, bringing its total stake to "a little more than 29 per cent."

The bank now becomes the second largest shareholder in the luxury holding

company Moet-Hennessy Louis Vuitton (LVMH) after the Arnault family.

Credit Lyonnais paid 425 francs (85 dollars) for each Arnault Associates share.

Cerus has debts of around 4.5 billion francs (900 million dollars), according to Cerus president Alain Minc, although many financial analysts put the figure higher at around seven billion francs (1.4 billion dollars).

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#90327d2760 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 23) - Around 180 Germans held by Iraq since the invasion of Kuwait will leave for home Sunday or Monday, diplomatic sources said here Friday.

Almost all Germans held as "human shields" on strategic sites had been brought to Baghdad for the flight.

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#90327d2810 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 23) - A state-run commission for construction here has adopted a plan to build 7,500 housing units for Palestinians in Israeli-annexed east Jerusalem, it was anounced Friday.

The Interior Ministry said the homes will be built on the northern fringes of the city, between the Jewish quarter of French Hill and Atarot Airport, on either side of the Jerusalem-Ramallah highway.

The ministry said the housing would meet the requirements of the expanding Arab community but did not say when construction work would begin.

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek voiced his "deep satisfaction" over the plan and said: "The town council has been demanding for years the construction of housing units for Arabs in the town."

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#90327d2840 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 23) - The president of the United Arab Emirates defends the presence of U.S. and other foreign troops in the Gulf against Arab criticism in an interview with the German daily Die Welt.

In the interview to be published Saturday, Sheikh Zayed ibn Sultan al Nahyan says, ''Whether Arab or foreigner, everyone who stands for justice, moderation peace and stability has a right to intervene in a conflict like this one.''

''The countries that speak out against this (foreign) military presence should

take a better look at themselves. Why did they fail to stand up against the occupation of Kuwait, an emirate of their Arab brothers, member of the Arab League and the United Nations?''

Sheikh Zayed ruled out territorial concessions to Iraq in return for a withdrawal from Kuwait, saying this would set a bad precedent.

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#90327d2870 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (NOV. 23) - Sierra Leone President Joseph Momoh will leave here Sunday for the Malian capital, Bamako where he will attend a special summit of the 16-nation Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) on Liberia's civil war, diplomatic sources said here Friday.

The summit, which is scheduled to get underway Tuesday, will also be attended by Amos Sawyer, who was inaugurated as Liberia's interim president Thursday in Monrovia, and rebel leader Charles Taylor.

A.K. Turay, minister of state for presidential affairs, said Sierra Leone will attend the summit "with an open mind and the resolve that Charles Taylor must be part of the solution if peace is to be meaningful and effective."

He added that his government would continue to back the role of a West African intervention force, known as ECOMOG, which was sent into Liberia by ECOWAS in August to impose a ceasefire after eight months of bloody civil war.

The force comprises more than 6,000 troops from Nigeria, Ghana, Sierra Leone, Guinea and the Gambia.

On Wednesday, Radio Bissau announced that Guinea-Bissau's President Joao Bernardo Vieira will attend the summit, which aims to find a lasting solution to the Liberian conflict.

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#90327d2890 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, GERMANY (NOV. 23) - German police have seized nearly ten tons of illegal drugs worth about half-a-billion marks (340 million dollars) on the open market, it was announced here.

The haul was part of an international drive against a Colombian drug cartel, said the president of the Federal Criminal Police Office, Hans-Ludwig Zachert.

His men had seized a ton of cocaine and about 8.5 tons of marijuana, their biggest haul ever.

The international operation had smashed a drug ring of the Colombian ''Kali

cartel'', with 15 persons from ten countries being arrested. In addition, 1.2 million marks in cash had been confiscated.

The particlarly high-grade cocaine would have been enough to supply some 20,000 addicts for one year. The 8.5 tons of marijuana was about half the total annual consumption in the Federal Republic.

Last month German police seized about a ton of cocaine worth around 200 million marks, up to then their biggest success against drug trafficking in Germany. Seven suspected members of the Colombian Medellin cartel were arrested.

The latest haul was tracked during 13 months of investigations from Colombia to the port of Bremen, to where it had been brought in containers and then taken to other parts of the country. Several Italians and a Frenchman had been arrested in Duesseldorf.

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#90327d2970 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 23) - The United Nations Security Council is likely to meet next week to debate a resolution permitting the use of military force to counter the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said here Friday.

"Soon, probably next week, the Security Council will consider a draft resolution authorising member states to use force to bring about the reversal of the Iraqi aggression," Mr. Hurd said.

"The Gulf crisis, overshadowing everything else, is moving into its critical phase," stated a prepared transcript of Mr. Hurd's remarks at a news conference.

The U.N. resolution would not necessarily signal the imminent outbreak of war in the Gulf, Mr. Hurd told reporters, adding: "What I hope it will be is the latest of the peaceful pressures on Saddam Hussein to get him to withdraw."

The meeting, which would come after the Soviet Union earlier this week softened its resistance to a U.N. resolution on the use of force, "must be considered a possibility," a foreign office spokesman said.

Mr. Hurd, at a news conference launching his campaign to succeed Margaret Thatcher as British prime minister, said events in the coming weeks would require "cool, authoritative and resolute handling."

In the weeks immediately following the August 2 Iraqi invasion, Mr. Hurd emerged as Britain's main spokesman on the policy aimed at reversing the aggression.

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#90327d3230 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABIDJAN (NOV. 23) - Faced with its first multiparty legislative elections Sunday, Ivory Coast's ruling Democratic Party (PDCI) hopes to keep a majority in parliament against young opposition leaders hungry for revenge after losing the presidential polls last month.

Although no public opinion polls have been carried out, the ruling party of newly-reelected President Felix Houphouet-Boigny is favored to win the bulk of the 175 seats.

Observers will be closely watching how the opposition fares in Sunday's polls.

Many candidates are hoping to make their official political debut by claiming a seat in parliament, which could change its complexion considerably if many opposition members beat out ruling party hopefuls.

Analysts are also waiting to see how many of the ruling party's "old guard," in office since the West African country won independence from France in 1960, will be replaced by "reformist" candidates seeking political change to preserve the party's domination in the face of the party pluralism.

Sources close to the government say Mr. Houphouet-Boigny, 85, will leave office within a year's time. He was re-elected October 28 for his seventh five-year term, which he has promised will be his "last."

The constitution was amended last month to allow the parliament speaker who is elected Sunday to step in and complete the president's term if he dies, resigns or is unable to fulfil his functions.

The current speaker and heir apparent to Africa's most senior head of state is Henri Konan Bedie, a 56-year-old economist regarded by diplomats as "pro-Western."

Mr. Bedie is running uncontested in his district of Daoukro 242 kilometers (150 miles) north of here after the unexpected withdrawal of Tetchi Kouame of the Ivorian Popular Front (FPI) for unspecified "personal and family reasons."

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#90327d3270 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MADRID (NOV. 23) - The former head of Spain's Communist party, Ignacio Gallego, died Friday aged 76 of a heart attack, a party statement said.

Mr. Gallego, a member of the Spanish Communist Party (PCE) since 1948, retired as its leader since 1983.

He founded the Spanish People's Communist Party (PCPE) and merged it with the Izquierda Unida, a coalition grouped around the PCE.

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#90327d3290 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

THE HAGUE (NOV. 23) - Four European nations have abandoned a joint development project for a light attack helicopter, the Dutch secretary of state for defense said Friday.

Berend Jan van Voorst tot Voorst said the Netherlands, Italy, Spain and Britain would not develop the feasibility studies for the helicopter submitted on Dec. 31, 1989.

The light attack helicopter would have competed on military markets with the Franco-German Tigre fighter helicopter which is currently being developed and should be manufactured towards the end of the decade.

Van Voorst said the signature earlier this week of the Conventional Forces in Europe treaty cutting the numbers of conventional weapons meant there was less call for armaments. "The commercial outlets for a helicopter which has not yet been developed are extremely limited," he told the Dutch Chamber of Deputies in a letter.

The Netherlands invested 12.2 million guilders (7.5 million dollars) in the helicopter's feasibility study, he said. The Dutch army does not have specialized fighter helicopters and has postponed a decision to acquire some until a later, unspecified date.

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#90327d3410 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MALE (NOV. 23) - South Asian leaders called here Friday for Iraq's unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait, and appealed for international aid to offset the devastating impact of the Gulf crisis on their economies.

The seven South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) nations also signed an agreement to promote regional cooperation in fighting drug abuse and trafficking, as they concluded a three-day summit in the Maldives capital.

The leaders of Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, the Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka called in their closing statement for Iraq to urgently and unconditionally withdraw its troops from Kuwait.

The August 2 invasion, which forced the repatriation of thousands of South Asians employed in Kuwait, has had a devastating effect on the economies of

SAARC countries, already among the world's poorest.

The South Asian nations appealed for international assistance to alleviate the double blow of sharply plunging worker remittances and higher oil prices caused by the Gulf crisis.

The convention on cooperation in fighting drug abuse and trafficking was signed earlier Friday by the foreign ministers of the seven states.

Maldives President Maumoon Abdul Gayoom said the convention would be ratified by member countries in time for the next meeting of SAARC Foreign Ministers due in mid-1991.

Under the agreement, member states would improve existing legislation and extend to one another the "widest possible legal assistance" in investigations prosecutions and judicial proceedings connected to drug offences.

The pact also provides for governments to take measures to prevent illicit cultivation of narcotic crops such as poppy, coca and cannabis.

Mr. Gayoom, the current SAARC chairman, and the other leaders pledged to intensify cooperation within the framework of the regional organization.

But delegates said major differences persisted following the summit, mainly over trade.

The smaller member states remain suspicious about India's economically dominant role in the alliance, officials said.

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#90327d3430 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Frankfurt (NOV. 23) - The Commerzbank Ag (Frankfurt) Friday said profits are up strongly despite stock market turbulence and investments in the former East Germany.

Board chairman Walter Seipp held out prospects of a rise from nine to ten marks dividend on 50-mark shares for 1990.

Reporting interim results for the first ten months, the country's third largest bank said the Ag's balance sheet total was up 7.4 percent to 134.3 billion marks (90.7 billion dollars), while that of the concern as a whole was up 5.5 percent to 202.1 billions.

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#90327d3470 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 23) - India and Pakistan have agreed to hold more talks next

month in a bid to improve relations that have been severely strained by a secession movement in Indian-held Kashmir, newspapers reported here Friday.

The foreign secretaries of the two countries will meet from December 18 to discuss "confidence-building measures," the dailies quoted Indian Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar as saying in Male late Thursday.

Mr. Shekhar, who went to the Maldives Wednesday to attend a fifth summit of the South Asian Association of Regional Cooperation (SAARC), said he met his Pakistani counterpart Nawaz Sharif, for talks during which they agreed to hold another round of bilateral dialogue.

"My meeting with him (Mr. Sharif) was very cordial, very friendly and I am quite satisfied the way talks were held today (Thursday)," Mr. Shekhar was quoted as saying.

Mr. Shekar, who formed a new government 13 days ago, refused to elaborate on his talks with Mr. Sharif except to say that "Both of us have agreed that we should not have any tension and should take steps to lower tensions in the future."

Mr. Shekhar did not say if the scheduled talks would be held in India or in Pakistan, according to the reports. Indian officials and Pakistani diplomats in New Delhi were not immediately available for comments.

Mr. Sharif met Mr. Shekhar for talks a day before the conclusion of the SAARC summit.

The 63-year-old Indian leader was quoted as saying that he found Mr. Sharif "equally keen on providing momentum to the process of normalisation of relations between the two countries."

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#90327d3490 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 23) - One thousand Ethiopian Jews are expected in Israel by the end of December to join 2,822 others who have arrived this year, the head of the immigration department at the Jewish Agency said Friday.

Uri Gordon said 322 Falashas (Ethiopian Jews) had arrived this month alone, following a decision by the Ethiopian government to lift restrictions on exit permits for its Jewish nationals wishing to emigrate to Israel.

The Jewish Agency is a quasi-governmental organization charged with settling Jewish immigrants in Israel.

In 1984, the Israeli government organized a secret airlift of Falashas, codenamed "Operation Moses" during which 10,000 Ethiopian Jews were taken to

refugee camps in Sudan before heading for Israel.

Some 12,500 Ethiopian Jews are currently camped out around the Israeli embassy in Addis Ababa, waiting for their emigration visas to come through.

Israel and Ethiopia renewed their diplomatic ties -- severed in 1973 after the Yom Kippur Arab-Israeli War of that year -- in November 1989.

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#90327d3580 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 23) - Cuban head of state Fidel Castro urged then Soviet leader Nikita Krushchev to carry out a first nuclear strike against the United States during the 1962 Cuba missile crisis, the French newspaper Le Monde reported.

In its issue due for publication Saturday, the paper quoted from an exchange of letters between Krushchev and Castro. It said copies of the letters had been obtained by French author Jean-Edern Hallier.

It quoted from a letter from Castro dated 26 October 1962: ''...the aggression of the imperialists (is becoming) extremely dangerous, and if it extends to such brutal action as an invasion of Cuba, this would be the moment to remove such a danger for ever.''

In his reply of 28 October, Khrushchev warned Castro: ''You understand what that would lead to. It would be no simple strike but the beginning of a thermo-nuclear war. Dear comrade Fidel Castro, I consider your proposal not to be right.''

Le Monde said publication of the letters was ''extremely topical'' in view of the change of balance that had recently taken place between East and West.

They threw light on ''the awkward problem concerning the spread of nuclear weapons beyond the circle of the major powers''.

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#90327d3590 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 23) - Tens of thousands of people in Nairobi have been left homeless after city authorities demolished their makeshift shacks in a large-scale slum clearance operation this week.

Many residents of the Kangemi and Kibagare shanty towns a few miles west of the city centre were picking through the debris Friday, trying to salvage their meagre possessions.

An estimated 35,000 people have seen their homes flattened this week, according to local press reports, although there were no exact figures.

Most of the residents of Kibagare, a sprawling shanty town on the outskirts of Nairobi which was demolished Tuesday, have been sleeping on sheets of cardboard or polythene, saying they have nowhere to go.

Barefoot children ran around the vast area where rows of dilapidated wooden huts, roofed with cardboard or at best corrugated iron, had once stood. Some residents said they had lived in the shanty town since 1968.

The muddy ground was littered with broken pieces of wood, jagged scraps of tin plastic sheeting, old paint tins that residents had used to carry water, torn clothes and other debris left in the wake of the bulldozers and demolition teams.

Up to half the Kenyan capital's estimated 1.8 million residents live in shanty towns, jammed in one-room shacks without running water or electricity, according to social workers here.

In recent months the authorities have razed several slum areas and revoked the licenses of shops operating from shacks, sparking anger among residents, though few have dared to speak out openly against the demolitions.

There have been no reports of violence during the demolitions.

In May, however, eight people were killed when Nairobi authorities brutally evicted 2,000 people from the Muoroto slum, according to a prominent Anglican clergyman, Reverend Peter Njenga.

President Daniel arap Moi sacked Agriculture Minister Maina Wanjigi for speaking out against the Muoroto demolition, though the president himself had criticised the security forces' "inhuman approach."

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#90327d3600 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, GERMANY (NOV. 23) - The flow of manufactured products traded inside Germany is increasing from west to east, with what used to be communist East Germany swamped with western goods, latest statistics show.

Goods worth 2.4 billion marks (1.6 billion dollars) were sent in September from the area formerly known as West Germany to former East Germany and East Berlin, but only 800 million marks-worth (530 million dollars) in the other direction, according to the Federal Statistics Office here Friday.

It said the total flow of goods from west to east had increased 277 percent over September 1989, while the increase from east to west had gone up just 36 percent.

Food and luxury items had seen the biggest increase in west-east flow, going up to 1,524 percent between September 1989 and September 1990 to 651 million marks-worth (430 million dollars). There had been a 246 percent rise in the west-east flow of capital goods to 969 marks-worth (650 million dollars).

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#90327d3850 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (NOV. 23) - Air force helicopters Friday carried out surveillance runs over a northern Sri Lankan district after heavy fighting near an army camp there killed more than 75 people, military officials said.

An official communique here said 75 Tamil guerrillas and four soldiers died in fierce fighting that broke out late Thursday near the Mankulam army camp in Mullaitivu district after rebels tried to storm the garrison.

An army officer said about 200 Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) militants fired mortars, rockets and rocket-propelled grenades into the camp forcing the air force to "hammer them (Tigers) out of sight."

About 100 other Tigers and 30 army soldiers were wounded, an official said, adding that the air force "successfully repulsed the attack."

A LTTE spokesman in London said by telephone he was not aware of an LTTE attack on Mankulam

But he said LTTE fighters had killed about 15 soldiers during a major confrontation Thursday in Kankesanthurai in the northern Jaffna peninsula.

Ten guerrillas including four female cadres, had also died in the fighting, the spokesman added.

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#90327d3860 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 23) - The Belgian arm of a clandestine European network set up during the Cold War to resist a Soviet invasion is to be dismantled, Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens said here Friday.

He said the government would give full cooperation to any parliamentary commissions investigating the network, known as SDRA-8 in Belgium and as Gladio in Italy.

The Belgian government confirmed on November 8 that Belgium not only had its own branch of the European network, which was established in the late 1940's and the 1950's, but also held its current revolving presidency.

Several European countries have already announced the dissolution of their

branches of the network, notably France, Luxembourg and Switzerland. On Thursday, the European Parliament demanded the dismantling of all branches.

Mr. Martens said it was too soon to tell if SDRA-8, organised within Belgian military intelligence, had anything to do with terror attacks in the 1980's associated with the Belgian extreme right.

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#90327d3890 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (NOV. 23) - Pakistani Prime Minister Mohammed Nawaz Sharif arrived here Friday on a two-day official visit to the United Arab Emirates (Uae).

Accompanied by a high-ranking delegation, Sharif is scheduled to hold talks with Uae president Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahyan and Vice-President and Prime Minister Sheikh Maktoum bin Rashed al-Maktoum on the Gulf crisis as well as boosting relations between the two countries, reports said.

It is Sharif's first visit to the Uae since his election as prime minister early this month. Last Saturday he visited Saudi Arabia where he discussed bilateral ties and the Gulf crisis with Saudi King Fahd and visited the holy city of Mecca.

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#90327d3910 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 23) - India's trade deficit grew 27.4 percent to 2.44 billion dollars in the first half of the financial year that started in April, compared to the same period in 1989, official figures released here Friday showed.

Exports during April-September were worth 8.70 billion dollars, which was 15 percent up over the corresponding period last year.

But imports grew 17.7 percent to 11.14 billion dollars during the same period.

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#90327d3920 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV. 23) - At least three people were killed and one seriously wounded Friday in a mujahedeen rocket attack on the Afghan capital Kabul, radio Kabul said.

In a broadcast monitored here, the station said three of the rockets fired from the western side of the capital hit the city's thickly populated residential districts.

The rebel barrage also damaged some property, the radio said without giving

details.

The rocketting, after several weeks of lull, followed stepped up guerrilla activity around Kabul last week.

Resistance sources said the latest joint operations by several rebel factions overran about half-a-dozen important security outposts.

The guerrillas entrenched in the western Paghman hills are reportedly planning a comprehensive offensive on Kabul before the Afghan fighting season comes to an end because of bitter winter weather.

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#90327d3930 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (NOV. 23) - The Hungarian government is to end its monopoly on foreign trade as of January 1, the MTI news agency announced on Friday.

About 12,000 Hungarian companies already have a license allowing them to trade with other countries, against only 360 in 1987.

Imports are also to be liberalized. As of January 1, it will be possible to import about 90 percent of all products without government authorization.

Special approval will still be needed for importing certain foods and pharmaceuticals, telecommunications equipment and some ordinary consumption goods.

Hungarian companies specializing in exports of precious metals, weapons, energy, some farm products and raw materials will still need government approval for such shipments.

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#90327d4000 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 23) - The body of a Palestinian man kidnapped Thursday and beaten to death by masked assailants was found Friday in the occupied West Bank town of Jenin, military sources said.

Police have begun investigating the motives behind the killing of Said Bilawi, 32, a car salesman, the sources said.

Israeli security forces on Wednesday arrested a Palestinian man accused of murdering a 28-year-old Israeli woman who was beheaded and stabbed earlier this month in the Gaza Strip.

Authorities said she was killed while on the way to visit Palestinian friends. They said she was murdered for "personal reasons" but gave no details.

The suspect, Nasser Omar Nenaleh, confessed to the crime. His brother, who apparently supplied the knife used in her stabbing, was also arrested, military sources said.

Jerusalem Police meanwhile authorised Moslems from the occupied territories to attend Friday prayers at the Aqsa and Omar mosques on Haram al-Sharif (Temple Mount) for the first time since October 8.

On that day Israeli security forces shot and killed 18 Palestinians around Temple Mount.

Correspondents said police removed barricades and checkpoints that were placed on roads leading to the city.

Some 8,000 Moslems attended Friday prayers but there were no reports of any incidents, police said.

In another development, police reinforcements were dispatched Friday to Majd el-Shams, a key Druze stronghold in the Israeli-annexed Golan Heights, to prevent an oubreak of violence during burial ceremonies for a Druze man killed Wednesday by Israeli army troops.

Fayez Fahd Mahmoud, 36, was killed when he tried to sneak into Syria.

Israel seized the Golan Heights from Syria in June 1967 and annexed it in 1981.

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#90327d4030 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (NOV. 23) - An Iraqi parliamentary delegation will visit Italy from December 3 to 6, said a group of Italian parliamentarians in a statement Friday.

The Italian parliamentary group who visited Baghdad two weeks ago described the return visit as contributing "to the search for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis and the problems of the Middle East."

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#90327d4040 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (NOV. 23) - Final opinion polls Friday gave Lech Walesa a clear lead over Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki as campaigning officially ended for Sunday's Polish presidential election.

Walesa had the support of 38 per cent of those polled, Mazowiecki 23 per cent. Should none of the six candidates get an absolute majority, the two best will contest a run-off poll December 9.

Of the other four candidates, Polish-Canadian-Peruvian businessman Stanislav Tyminski got 17 per cent in the opinion poll, while six per cent backed Wlodzimierz Cimoszewiz of the communist party's successor organisation.

Walesa and Mazowiecki, the latter once a Solidarity movement adviser of the former, have gone their separate ways with Walesa pledging sweeping economic and political reform while Mazowiecki favours more moderate change.

Reliable computer predictions of the result are expected by midnight Sunday, with most experts predicting that voting will go into a second-round run-off between Walesa and Mazowiecki.

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#90327d4050 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 23) - French real gross domestic product, excluding the public sector, rose 1.3 percent in the third quarter of the year from the second, following increases of 0.2 percent in the second quarter and 0.8 per cent in the first, the National Statistics and Economic Studies Institute said Friday.

It said that real "acquired growth" for the year, i.e., the increase in GDP excluding the public sector, even if there were no rise in the fourth quarter, now totaled 2.7 percent.

In an economic note issued on November 9, the Institute forecast growth of 2.8 percent for the year.

Output of manufactured goods rose by 1.9 percent in real terms in the third quarter from the second, following a dip of 0.8 percent in the second quarter and a rise of 0.6 percent in the first.

Real household consumption was up by 0.2 percent in the third quarter from the second, against 0.4 percent in the second and 1.4 in the first. The downtrend is due primarily to a decline in the demand for manufactured goods.

Business investment rose by 2.9 percent in the third quarters, after a 0.6 drop in the second and a 3.5 percent rise in the first quarter.

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#90327d4060 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Kronach, Germany (NOV. 23) - The German consumer electronics firm Loewe Opta GmbH dismissed as speculation Friday reports of a takeover bid by the Japanese concern Matsushita.

A spokesman for Loewe said the company had not been informed of any such move by Matsushita Electric Industrial Co Ltd, which owns a 25.1 percent stake in

the German firm.

Reports of the takeover move were disclosed on Thursday by Eberhard von Kuenheim, board chairman of Loewe's largest shareholder, the Bmw automobile concern.

Loewe expects to have a turnover of 340 million Deutschmarks (226 million dollars) for 1990.

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#90327d4070 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 23) - China's State Council has appointed new directors for its strategically important Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan affairs offices, the New China News Agency (NCNA) said Friday.

Lu Ping, the former deputy director of the Hong Kong and Macau Affairs Office, has been appointed director replacing Ji Pengfei, 81, whose resignation from both his post as director of the office and as vice-minister of the State Planning Comission were accepted by the Council, NCNA said.

Observers said Mr. Ji's resignation was probably due to his age. He had headed the Hong Kong and Macau Affairs Office since 1983.

Wang Zhaoguo, the former governor of Fujian province in the southeast, was appointed to head the Taiwan Affairs Office, taking over from Ding Guangen, the agency said, without giving a reason for the dismissal of Mr. Ding, who is also a deputy Politburo member.

He had headed the Taiwan office since August 1988.

The two posts, which carry ministerial rank, are considered strategically important because China wants to speed up the reunification process with Taiwan where the Nationalists formed a government after they fled the mainland following their defeat by the Communists in the civil war in 1949.

The British colony of Hong Kong is due to revert to Chinese sovereignty in 1997, while the Portuguese enclave of Macau will revert two years later.

NCNA also said Li Hou had been relieved as deputy director of the Hong Kong and Macau Affairs Office, but did not elaborate.

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#90327d4130 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 23) - German Christian Democrat (Cdu) party secretary-general, Volker Ruehe, called here Friday for clarification of the financial dealings of the former East German Cdu following reports of the disappearance of

millions of marks worth of funds.

Former East German state prosecutor, Hans-Juergen Joseph, was quoted Friday as saying that the missing sum could be as high as 156 million marks (105 million dollars).

The East Berlin newspaper Neues Deutschland reported Joseph as saying that on December 7, 1989 he had seen a telex message on the transfer of the money out of the country.

He had removed the document from the East German Cdu headquarters in East Berlin after consulting with the then party chief Lothar de Maiziere and the head of the East German office for national security, Wolfgang Schwanitz.

Joseph told the paper that de Maiziere had asked him to see if the document might be a ''provocation''. He had made a copy of it and handed it to the office of national security. He had no idea what had then happened, Joseph said.

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#90327d4190 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 23) - The Soviet parliament adopted a law on Friday entrusting the KGB secret police and the Council of the Federation with supervising the distribution of imported products, particularly food aid.

The Council of the Federation includes leaders of the 15 Soviet republics along with federal representatives.

The Supreme Soviet also asked the Council of Ministers to evaluate the country's food reserves by region before December 1, and set out a distribution plan for these reserves through March 1991.

The legislation stipulates that "the KGB is entrusted with the responsibility of handling the effort against economic sabotage, and in particular of overseeing imported products."

It adds that "distribution of food aid from abroad is placed under the control of the Council of the Federation."

Mr. Gorbachev proposed on Saturday that the Council of the Federation's powers should be increased as part of a projected "reorganization of executive power" due to take effect within two weeks.

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#90327d4300 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 23) - Natural rubber prices lost ground this week on the London

physical market in quiet trading, traders said Friday.

The price for Ribbed Smoked Sheet No. 1 (RSS 1) for December delivery closed at 512.5 pounds per tonne against 520 pounds the previous Friday.

Heavy rains continued to delay tapping in the Far East, traders said, but this factor was offset by persistently weak demand. The closure of the Japanese market Friday also reduced activity.

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#90327d4370 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV. 23) - The resignation of British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher should ease the way to European economic and monetary union, the leaders of the EC's liberal parties said here Friday.

The president of Germany's Free Democratic Party (FDP), Otto Lambsdorff, said the centrists now saw hope of rapid progress towards that goal.

He was speaking after a meeting of the Federation of European Democratic and Liberal Parties that called for a strengthening of pan-European policies in foreign affairs and defense.

In a communique, the liberals suggested the European Community (EC) set up a council of ministers with responsibility for defense and foreign affairs, and with the power to deploy a multinational force in close collaboration with NATO.

Eleven EC countries are also members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization although one of them, France, is not in NATO's integrated military command. The twelfth country, Ireland, is an avowed neutral.

The EC will launch an intergovernmental conference in Rome next month to discuss progress to economic and monetary union, and how to strengthen political unity.

The liberals called on the forum to "achieve major steps to transform the Community into a true European union with a federal constitution."

Liberal parties are in the minority in European politics, although in several countries, notably Germany and Denmark, they are swing parties which can influence the formation of a government.

Thatcher put up a long, but ultimately unsuccessful, fight to dissuade Britain's 11 EC partners from taking a quick track towards monetary union and the goal of a single Community currency.

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#90327d4390 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (NOV. 23) - The vice president of the Reichsbahn, the former East German railways, was placed in custody for a suspected role in a swindle worth 3.6 million Deutsche marks (2.4 million dollars), the Berlin justice ministry said Friday.

The suspect, aged 56, but not identified by the ministry, is suspected of having taking part in a fraudulent operation to lease railway carriages, the ministry said in a statement.

City Justice Minister Jutta Limbach said the case showed that "the old comrades' network" of former Communist chieftains "is still active and that former East German officials are being shameless in their attempts to build new lives at the public's cost."

She revealed that Berlin investigators are also probing 17 suspected frauds, totalling 310 million marks (211 million dollars), involving the privatisation of former state-owned firms.

The railway scandal comes after the reported loss of hundreds of millions of marks (dollars) in crooked deals after the July 1 monetary union between East and West Germany.

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#90327d4410 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 23) - Germany is to consult its Western European neighbors on Tuesday before giving Poles the right to enter Germany without visas, an informed source told Agence France-Presse here Friday.

He said the issue would be discussed by the Schengen group of Germany, France, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg. They have signed the Schengen Convention, which aims at lowering frontier barriers between signatories.

Earlier this month, while signing a treaty guaranteeing Germany's borders with Poland, German Chancellor Helmut Kohl pledged that before Christmas he would abolish visa requirements for Poles coming to Germany.

But the Schengen signatories, who all belong to the 12-nation European Economic Community (EEC), have agreed to consult each other before taking any decision that would affect the others.

The EEC nations, fearing a massive influx from Poland, have not scrapped visas for Poles as they have all done individually for Hungary and Czechoslovakia.

On Tuesday Italy will join the Schengen Convention. Spain and Portugal are expected to be given observer status. This means that, within the EEC, only

Denmark, Greece, Britain and Ireland will remain outside the convention.

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#90327d4440 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANGATTE, FRANCE (NOV. 23) - French and British tunnel workers at the junction of the cross-Channel tunnel came within a few meters (yards) of one another on Friday and were able to pass cigarettes and money to one another, workers said.

"From now on, we will be able to pass notes, money or cigarettes back and forth," one worker explained, by using a folding meter (yardstick), probably through cracks in the blue chalk which separates them.

People will not be able to pass through the tunnel until December 1, according to TransManche Link, the company directing the project.

The ceremony which had been planned for the junction was to have been attended by French President Francois Mitterrand and former British prime minister Margaret Thatcher, but they will be replaced by their respective ministers of transportation following Mrs. Thatcher's resignation on Thursday.

The enormous tunnelling machines which were used to drill most of the tunnel have been set aside, and the final yards are being pierced with jackhammers and steam shovels.

Britain and France have been connected since October 30 by a five-centimeter (two-inch) tunnel, which was drilled between the soil separating the two sides of the project to enable technicians to verify the alignment of the two tunnels through the use of sonar signals.

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#90327d4500 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 23) - African National Congress Vice-President Nelson Mandela said Friday he would have talks with South African President Frederik de Klerk Tuesday on establishing an interim government and getting the peace process ''back on the road''.

In an address to Southern and East African leaders in the Swaziland capital, Mbabane, Mandela said he also hoped to discuss setting up an assembly to draw up a new constitution.

''We are convinced that...any organ of negotiations which will determine the set-up should be based on the democratic principles of electing that body, an election in which all South Africans, black and white, should freely participate,'' he said.

His remarks, broadcast by Swazi television, were made to leaders from 18 countries which are members of the Preferential Tariff Area. South Africa is not part of the Pta.

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#90327d4790 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (NOV. 23) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

	cash		forward	
Copper	1,305.00	(1,312.00)	1,314.50	(1,314.50)
Lead	345.00	(349,50)	352.75	(355.50)
Zinc	1,297.50	(1,279.00)	1,279.50	(1,265.50)
Tin	6,095.00	(6,180.00)	6,087.50	(6,160.00)
Aluminium	1,556.00	(1,586.00)	1,587.00	(1,616.50)
Nickel	8,075.00	(8,275.00)	7,962.50	(8,112.50)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90327d4910 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (NOV. 23) - Fiji's clothing factories are not sweatshops, Fiji Trade and Commerce Minister Berenado Vunibobo said here Friday.

"I have great difficulty in comprehending the consistent portrayal of garment manufacturers in Fiji as operators of sweatshops," he said in a speech to the New Zealand-Fiji Business Council.

As he spoke, protesters outside the gathering claimed garment workers were being paid 50 Fiji cents (34 cents U.S) an hour.

Mr. Vunibobo said there were a number of Fiji factories at which conditions could be improved.

"But, it is totally misleading to tarnish the image of the garment industry with such an inaccurate and sweeping generalisation."

For unemployed people, there was little choice about accepting wage rates of 60 Fijian cents (36 U.S. cents) to 80 Fijian cents (48 U.S. cents) per hour, "it depends on what an economy can afford," he said.

He said a series of recent strikes by garment workers, if allowed to continue, would ruin the country's credibility as a reliable exporting country.

"One can only conclude the real motive behind these strikes is economic sabotage which its instigators, I suspect, believe could lead to further political uncertainties."

Fiji turned an eight per cent decline in economic growth in 1987 into a 12.5 percent growth rate in 1989, the minister said.

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#90327d4940 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

YOKOHAMA, Japan (NOV. 23) - The International Tropical Timber Council (ITTC) ended an eight-day session here Friday with a resolution recommending a cut in logging in Sarawak, Malaysia, officials said.

The resolution failed to set concrete figures for the reduction in tropical forest logging, but said ITTC members agreed to support the Malaysian government in preserving forests in Sarawak.

It stressed the need to promote "sustainable management of tropical forests and sustainable production of and trade in tropical timbers."

"Producer countries with substantial forest resources, to achieve sustainable development, will need to utilize such resources and to convert part of the land for agriculture and other uses," it said.

"If selective harvesting of timber from natural forests is sustained, it will not lead to deforestation or loss of forest cover."

The resolution emphasized the need to "reduce the current rate of harvesting" in Sarawak forests, "upgrade the standards of logging," and to support research in forest management.

Government representatives from the 47 ITTC member countries opened the session in Yokohama, near Tokyo, on November 16 to discuss ways of protecting tropical forests from devastation by commercial logging.

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#90327d5380 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW, (NOV 23) - United Nations Security Council foreign ministers could hold a meeting on the Gulf crisis "in the next few days," the Soviet foreign minister said Friday.

Eduard Shevardnadze said most of his Security Council colleagues would favour a meeting at foreign minister level, the official Soviet news agency TASS reported.

Mr. Shevardnadze made the comments at Moscow airport on his return from a quick visit to Urumqi in north west China where he held a three-hour meeting with his Chinese counterpart Qian Qichen.

He said Soviet-Sino meetings on the Gulf crisis would continue, TASS reported.

Meanwhile, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev said in a press conference on Friday that the next Security Council meeting would be held "at another level" than that of the permanent representatives in New York.

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#90327d5460 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 23) - The United States Friday asked its NATO allies to put their ships and planes at its disposal to carry extra U.S. troops and equipment to the Gulf, NATO sources said.

The urgent request was submitted to the 15 other ambassadors of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Sources said the request concerned merchant ships, probably roll on-roll off, able to transport heavy equipment such as tanks, and civilian aircraft to carry troops.

Sources did not say how many ships and aircraft were requested. The other NATO members did not give an immediate reply to the request but said they would send it to their respective governments for discussion.

The United States recently decided to increase its troop strength in the Gulf to 400,000 by the end of the year.

It previously asked for similar logistical aid in September. Several NATO members responded favourably to the request, including Britain, France, Denmark, Portugal, Italy and Germany.

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#90327d5540 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DRESDEN, GERMANY (NOV. 23) - Former Dresden Philharmonic conductor Herbert

Kegel committed suicide on Tuesday at the age of 70, persons close to him announced here on Friday.

Mr. Kegel was trained in Dresden, particularly by Karl Boehm, and led the Leipzig Orchestra before being appointed to head the Dresden Philharmonic in 1977. He retired in 1985.

Mr. Kegel was a specialist in contemporary music, and the orchestra premiered and recorded works by such composers as Arnold Schoenberg, Carl Orff and Krzysztof Penderecki.

In October 1978, he conducted the Dresdner Philharmonic at its first concert in then West Berlin since World War II, at the invitation of the late conductor Herbert von Karajan.

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#90327d5650 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA, (NOV 23) - Negotiators will be working hard over the weekend on a document to be submitted to trade ministers meeting in Brussels December 3-7 to wind up the "Uruguay Round" of multilateral trade talks, but their mood was rather depressed, sources close to the negotiations said Friday evening.

The negotiators' pessimism was caused by the multiplication of unexpected obstacles over the last few weeks in several sectors involved in the four-year talks, aimed at liberalizing world trade.

A Japanese representative who asked to remain unidentified said Friday that "We are not quite satisfied" with the final package, and "We would be enlightened if the package stated more clearly" the alternatives that could be put to the ministers meeting in Brussels.

(At a Thursday meeting of South American countries, Brazil said that countries exporting agricultural products should not take part in the Brussels meeting unless the European Economic Community modified its position on protectionism in farm trade.)

But despite discontent with the status of the negotiations, the Trade Negotiations Committee of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) is expected to approve the document for the ministers formally on Monday afternoon.

However, the various controversies that have emerged mean that many points that were supposed to be covered by the document remain unresolved. In agriculture, for instance, the document contains no agreed text on the anti-dumping code and on investment-connected measures.

On this and other points where no agreement has been reached, the document

will contain some comments written by GATT chief Arthur Dunkel, who chairs the Trade Negotiations Committee.

The text will include an annex on merchandise trade, indicating the various offers submitted to date by GATT members with a view to liberalizing such trade.

Another annex will deal with services, in which there are serious obstacles to agreement, and a third with intellectual property rights, a field in which negotiation participants have come closer together.

In a fourth annex, delegates will suggest that the ministers think about GATT's future and about transforming it into a real world trade organization.

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#90327d5690 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING, Nov 23 (AFP) - Chinese Prime Minister Li Peng welcomed Friday the easing of tension between North and South Korea during a meeting with his North Korean counterpart, Yon Hyon Muk, the New China News Agency (NCNA) said.

"We are delighted to see that recently, the situation in the Korean peninsula has relaxed to some extent," the offical agency quoted Mr. Li as saying.

"China supports all kinds of on-going dialogues between North and South Korea and hopes the talks between the premiers of North and South Korea will continue and achieve results," Mr. Li said.

Mr. Li said China had always supported efforts aimed at the "peaceful reunification" of the two Koreas.

Mr. Yon said North Korea would strive to realise the reunification of the Korean peninsula through "peaceful means" and added that talks between the premiers of North and South Korea, who have already met twice, would continue in December, NCNA said.

The next scheduled meeting between the Korean premiers will take place in Seoul between December 11 and 14. The last two meetings in September and October failed to resolve the long-standing differences between the two countries.

Mr. Yon also said that his country would "work hard to normalize its relations with Japan," NCNA said.

Government representatives from Japan and North Korea met twice in Beijing last month to discuss the establishment of diplomatic ties between Pyongyang and Tokyo.

Japanese diplomatic sources here said the two countries would hold further talks in Beijing in December.

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WASHINGTON, (NOV 23) - Secretary of State James Baker will meet Saturday in Los Angeles with his Malaysian counterpart, Abu Hassan Omar, winding up talks with fellow U.N. Security Council members on a possible resolution authorizing use of force against Iraq, officials said Friday.

The State Department said the meeting would be held at Los Angeles International Airport, where Mr. Baker is due to stop off on his way back from Colombia, the department said.

Mr. Baker was due late Friday in Bogota, where he was travelling from Yemen, department spokesman Adam Shub said.

The United States is pushing for the U.N. Security Council to approve, perhaps next week, a resolution authorizing the use of force to drive Iraqi occupation troops out of Kuwait.

Washington holds the rotating presidency of the 15-member council until the end of the month. Yemen, which has expressed opposition to the presence of the U.S.-led force in the Gulf, is to take over the post in December.

In recent days Mr. Baker has conferred with the foreign ministers of most of the council members in an effort to rally support for a use-of-force resolution.

After his trip to Colombia and the meeting with his Malaysian counterpart, Cuba will be the only nation Mr. Baker has not consulted with personally. High-level U.S.-Cuban contacts are banned by the United States.

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#90327d6190 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ASUNCION, (NOV 23) - A representative of South Korean President Roh Tae-Woo

said here Friday his country had agreed to an agricultural exchange program with Paraguay.

Ik Hyun Kwon also said South Korea was considering investing in Paraguay's cotton industry. Earlier, he met with President Andres Rodriguez and delivered a letter in which Mr. Roh said South Korea wanted to strengthen economic ties with this South American nation.

The envoy said South Korea was urging its businessmen to invest in Paraguay, which was ruled by rightist dictator Alfredo Stroessner until a violent February 1989 coup led by General Rodriguez.

The Roh aide said a feasibility study on South Korean investment in Paraguayan cotton operations was near completion.

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#90327d6270 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI, (NOV 23) - More than half of foreign investments in Laos come from China, the official Laotian news agency KPL reported Friday.

China invested 103 million dollars during the last two years out of 190 million dollars invested by 14 foreign countries in the Communist-ruled state.

Foreign investment grew after a new investmnent code was approved two years ago.

The import-export sector reported the largest investment of 110 million dollars, followed by the oil industry with 50 million dollars.

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#90327d6300 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN, (NOV 23) - The West should provide aid to the Soviet Union to help President Mikhail Gorbachev stay in power, German Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Friday.

"Is it reasonable to help Mr. Gorbachev at this time? The answer is very clearly 'yes'," Mr. Kohl said at an electoral rally that drew 4,000 people.

"Let's hope that Mr. Gorbachev succeeds in his reforms for a transition towards the market economy," Mr. Kohl said. "His success will be ours, too."

Aid for Moscow "will cost money, but we also spent a lot during the Cold War, and it is good to now be able to spend for peace," he said.

Mr. Gorbachev, he said, was "the first in his country to understand that over-arming does't help peace."

Germany has recently increased calls for help for the Soviet Union, where widespread food shortages grow as the rigourous Russian winter sets in.

Mr. Kohl was campaigning for the first pan-German legislative elections, due to take place on December 2.

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#90327d6340 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ARNHEM, THE NETHERLANDS, (NOV 23) - Dutch police on Friday seized 48 kilograms (106 pounds) of heroin with a street value of five million guilders (2.9 million dollars) and arrested three people in connection with the case, police said.

In a series of raids in the eastern town of Arnhem, police arrested two brothers, aged 27 and 31, in a garage where eight kilos (18 pounds) of the drug were found.

Later, a further 40 kilos (88 pounds) of heroin were found hidden in the two men's houses, where a 33-year-old woman was arrested.

Police said it was possible that further arrests would be made in the case.

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#90327d6360 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MALAGA, SPAIN (NOV 24) - Hughes Microelectronics, a subsidiary of the U.S. automaker General Motors, is to invest eight billion pesetas (85 million dollars) to build a factory in Malaga, southern Spain, the company said here Friday.

The new plant, on which work is due to start next year, will make microelectronics components for the European market, the company said.

Hughes said the factory would employ around 400 people and was expected to generate sales of 7.5 billion pesetas (80 million dollars) by 1996.

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#90327d6370 11/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON, (NOV 24) - War-torn Angola is expected to export only 4,500 metric tonnes of coffee this year, and not the 6,000 tonnes predicted by the government, the country's secretary of state for coffee said Friday.

Filomeno Ceita, in a statement carried by the official news agency Angop monitored in Lisbon, said the reduction in volume was mainly due to transport difficulties caused in the northern coffee-growing areas by the continuing

civil war.

Mr. Ceita said Angola's once-proud coffee industry was undergoing "the biggest crisis of its existence," and was set to earn a mere 4.5 million dollars this year.

In its heyday in the 1970's, the Angolan coffee industry produced close to 200,000 tonnes a year.

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#90327e0021 11/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Moscow (Nov 23) EFE - The Russian parliament Friday passed a law ending the state's monoply of land ownership, allowing private groups or individuals to buy land.

Under the new law, ownership of land can be "individual or collective" although foreigners will not be allowed to purchase land in the Russian Federation, the biggest of the Soviet Union's 15 republics.

The federation is headed by radical Russian President Boris Yeltsin who has repeatedly criticized Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev for being too slow in introducing economic and democratic reforms.

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#90327e0022 11/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (NOV. 23) EFE - Share prices edged down on the Madrid stock exchange Friday with the general index slipping 1.37 points to close the day at 230.84.

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#90327f0708 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 23) UPI - Capping a bullish week, the London International Stock Exchange held on to early gains to close sharply higher Friday in moderate trading marked by continued expectations of lower interest rates.

Spurred by a late rally, the Financial Times Stock Exchange 100-share index, which was ahead 1.6 points Thursday, closed at 2170.5 points, up 42.6 on the day. For the week, the key index was up by 102.5 points.

Posting a 40.0 point advance Friday, the narrower FTSE 30 index stood at 1712.2 points, 97.4 points higher on the week.

Volume amounted to 478.8 million shares, down from the 498.2 million traded Thursday.

Lower interest rates are expected no matter who wins the three-way vote to

take over leadership of the ruling Conservative Party - and, in the process, succeed Margaret Thatcher as Britain's prime minister - next week, dealers said.

This in turn could mean a Christmas season rally in equities, they said.

Dealers said institutional investors anticipated Thatcher's surprise resignation Thursday as leader of the Conservatives would also mean a revival of efforts to move along Britain's integration into European monetary and economic union.

Among widely traded issues, Thorn-EMI rose 23 cents a share 12p to $12.50, an apparent move in sympathy with Japanese conglomerate Matsushita's takeover bid for American entertainment giant MCA.

Lloyd's Bank lost 6 cents to $5.49 in the wake of a profits downgrading.

Shell was up 6 cents to $8.49 on an upbeat long-term trading statement.

Courtaulds, continuing to gain from favorable interim profits reports, was ahead 21 cents to $6.25.

The brewery group Bass advanced 42 cents to $19.63, on firmer trading conditions.

For the week, the market was in a decidedly bullish mood.

On Monday, equities soared - at least part of which reflected amplified rumblings of political turmoil at the highest levels of the Conservative Party. The market's reaction confounded analysts.

The Monday rally also came despite gloomy gross domestic product figures confirming Britain was in the grips of a recession.

Strength in the British pound gave the equity market added momentum Tuesday.

Shares gained across the board Wednesday, with Guinness making waves in announcing an acquisition of Spain's largest brewer, Cruzcampo.

The market paused on its upward path Thursday, as investors pondered the impact of Thatcher's resignation, but still managed to finish slightly higher.

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#90327f1286 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 23) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

Cocoa - N/A.

Coffee - N/A.

Copper - 0.05 to 1.20 cents a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.15 cents a pound higher to 0.46 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $4.60 to $4.90 an ounce higher for a 100-troy- ounce contract.

Orange Juice - N/A.

Silver - On the Comex 5 to 7 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy ounce contract. On the CBOT unchanged to 10 cents lower for a 1,000- troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - N/A.

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#90327f1287 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended November 23:

High	Low	Last	Net change
297.88	294.10	295.90	off 1.62

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#90327f1288 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA (NOV. 23) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle none; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 1,400; butchers $1.00 to $1.50 lower, No 1-3 220-260 lbs. 50.50- 51.00, No 2-3 260-290 lbs. 48.50-50.25, 290-310 lbs. 46.00-47.50; sows 30 percent, weights under 500 lbs. 25 to 50 cents lower over 500 lbs. 2.00 higher but clearance not complete, No 1-3 350-500 lbs. 42.00, No 2- 3 500-650 lbs. 45.50-46.00.

Sheep none.

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#90327f1290 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold
London

Previous close fix	378.50 up 0.50
Morning fixing	380.00 up 1.50
Afternoon fixing	383.60 up 5.10
Close	384.25 up 5.75
Paris	373.66 off 4.50
Zurich	383.50 up 5.00
Hong Kong	379.35 up 2.10

New York

Comex spot close	383.70 up 4.80
Republic cash	383.75 up 4.25
Handy and Harman	Closed, holiday

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 384.90 up 6.31 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 404.15 up 6.63 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.125 unchanged
Republic cash	4.14 up 0.01
Handy and Harman	Closed, holiday.

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.15 up 0.015 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.441 up 0.017

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 434.00 up 19.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 534.00 up 19.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 95.00 up 1.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 110.00 up 1.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90327p9474 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURLINGAME, CA (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Systonetics Inc. (SSTO) today announced that the assets pertaining to the company's business have been sold at auction by the secured creditor, Downey Savings & Loan Association. The assets were purchased by Nucia Co. Ltd. and included Systonetics' proprietary

software and contractual rights, as well as computer equipment and office furniture.

Nucia is a shareholder in Galaxy Applied Engineering, a software development company based in Burlingame. Galaxy has been authorized to assume the business formerly conducted by Systonetics. The offerings include software, support services and consulting for project management systems.

CONTACT: Allena F. Lu of Systonetics Inc., 415-348-5625.

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#90327p9475 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

TALLAHASSEE, FL (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Coastal Caribbean Oils & Minerals, Ltd. (BSE: CCO-B, CCO-BN), said it filed a registration statement today with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with a proposed equity financing.

The financing would involve the sale of units comprised of additional shares of the company's common stock and royalty interests on properties held by its 90 percent owned subsidiary, Coastal Petroleum Company.

The proposed offering would be made exclusively to the company's shareholders by means of a nontransferable subscription privilege, according to a Coastal Caribbean spokesman, who said the timing of the offering, the number of units to be offered, the price per unit, and other terms of the offering have not yet been determined. Those parameters are to be established by the board of directors after consideration of a number of factors, including market conditions and the status of the company's affairs, he said.

The proceeds of the offering would be used principally to fund the legal expenses of Coastal Petroleum Company, which is involved in litigation with the state of Florida over the confiscation of Coastal Petroleum's oil and mineral leases, the spokesman said.

In a related matter, the spokesman further noted that on Nov. 21 the Florida court hearing the lease confiscation case suspended Coastal Petroleum's lease obligations, including rentals of nearly $60,000 per annum, pending the outcome of the lawsuit.

Coastal Caribbean is a Bermuda corporation with approximately 33 million shares of common stock outstanding (100 million are authorized) at this time, held by about 16,500 shareholders of record.

CONTACT: Arthur B. O'Donnell, 203-525-1202, for Coastal Caribbean.

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#90327p9479 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, IN (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - All equipment and real estate formerly belonging to the National Automatic Tool Co. (NATCO), will be sold during a three-day auction, Dec. 5, 6 and 7, at the company's site in Richmond, located 66 miles east of Indianapolis and 50 miles west of Dayton, Ohio.

NATCO manufactured precision machine tools and modern manufacturing systems, and specialized in the production of injection molding machines, multispindle drill presses and radial drills. Creditors forced the company to close earlier this year, and NATCO's last day of operation was Aug. 12, 1990.

The auction will include a 415,000-square-foot industrial building, all manufacturing machinery, and the 144 acres of land where the plant is located. Between 3,000 and 4,000 lots will be sold, and will include metalworking machinery of all types, office furniture and equipment, and vehicles.

The company bought the Richmond property in 1960, and over the years has supplied equipment to manufacturing giants such as John Deere, Chrysler, and Caterpillar Inc. "This auction is an outstanding opportunity for businesses around the country interested in heavy equipment or machine manufacturing," said Dave Curren, NATCO purchasing manager.

While in operation, NATCO's annual revenues exceeded $15 million. The company employed 170 workers.

The auction is being handled by Michael Fox Auctioneers Inc., a national auctioneering firm based in Baltimore. Persons interested in obtaining more details about the NATCO auction may do so by calling 301-653-4000.

Michael Fox Auctioneers, one of the largest auctioneer and asset recovery businesses in the United States, was founded in 1946. The company conducts approximately 100 industrial and commercial auctions annually.

CONTACT: David S. Fox of Michael Fox Auctioneers, 301-653-4000, or Lori L. Wieder of Nevins and Associates, 301-356-8822, for Michael Fox Auctioneers.

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#90327p9484 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Interactive Medical Technologies Ltd. (3ITAM) has announced the signing of a letter of intent with the Olympus Corp. Precision Instrument Division, to become the world wide distributor for an imaging system to count non- radioactive microspheres that is marketed through its E-Z TRAC subsidiary. The system was co-developed by E-Z TRAC and Olympus, and is designed to count non-radioactive reagents used in the animal research market. The E-Z TRAC/Olympus system is intended to replace radioactive microspheres thereby eliminating the need to dispose of the research apparatus contaminated with radioactivity which for many years was typically buried in

low level disposal sites. The system is anticipated to have substantial favorable effects on the environment and substantially reduce disposal costs of research institutions. The imaging system was introduced at the November 1990 American Heart Association Meetings and initial shipments of the system are anticipated in January 1991.

CONTACT: William Shell, president of Interactive Medical Technologies Ltd., 213-312-9652.

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#90327p9486 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CA (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientists at Cytel Corporation have identified a specific carbohydrate molecule that plays a key role in inflammatory responses, it was reported today in the journal Science. Researchers have isolated a complex carbohydrate structure, or ligand, on the surface of white blood cells, and demonstrated that specific cell adhesion molecules (CAMs) located on the blood vessel wall must recognize this ligand to initiate an inflammatory response. Today's findings should provide valuable therapeutic opportunities to control acute and chronic inflammatory disorders.

In an inflammatory response, the body releases chemical mediators, such as Interleukin-1, at the site of tissue injury which induce endothelial cells lining blood vessels to express specific CAMs. One CAM, known as an Endothelial Leukocyte Adhesion Molecule (ELAM-1), mediates movement of immune cells from the bloodstream to the area of tissue injury through the recognition of a specific ligand located on the surface of white blood cells.

It is the accumulation of white blood cells that leads to inflammation and resulting tissue injury associated with reperfusion injury, inflammatory bowel disease and autoimmune diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis.

"The identification of a carbohydrate ligand for ELAM-1 documents an important example of protein-carbohydrate recognition mediating cell to cell interactions," said James C. Paulson, Ph.D., vice president of glycobiology research at Cytel. "The discovery of this ligand will help us to further understand the complicated series of events that lead to an inflammatory response."

This new evidence on the ligand and its role in inflammation may potentially reveal additional interactions between cell adhesion molecules and other cell types which express the ligand. For example, expression of the ligand has been documented on a variety of lung and colon carcinomas and may provide insight into the role cell adhesion molecules may play in metastatic stages of cancer.

Cytel Corporation, a privately held biopharmaceutical company, was founded in

1987 to design small molecule drugs aimed at suppressing the interactions between immune receptors and their target cells. The company uses proprietary research in the areas of immunology, glycobiology and chemistry to develop immunomodulating therapeutics for autoimmune diseases as well as inflammatory disorders.

CONTACT: Jay Kranzler, president and chief executive officer of Cytel, 619-552-3000, or Lisa Burns of Burns McClellan, 212-505-1919, for Cytel.

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#90327p9487 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLANTATION, FL (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - American Express Travel Related Services Company, Inc. has announced the appointment of Michael L. Diamond to the position of senior vice president, Platinum Card/Gold Card Operations. Diamond, a 23-year veteran of American Express, will be responsible for the 4,000 employees in the Southern Region Operations Center in Plantation.

Diamond was most recently senior vice president, operations, for the American Express Eastern Regional Operations Center in New York. He has an extensive background in operations and credit, including vice president positions in the American Express facility in Phoenix, Ariz. and Coral Gables, Fla.

Diamond replaces Terrence J. Smith, who has been promoted to the position of senior vice president Worldwide Service Quality, TRS in New York.

CONTACT: Roberta Weinstein of American Express Travel Related Services Company, Inc., 305-473-3811.

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#90327p9488 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (Nov. 23) PR Newswire - Cosmo Communications Corporation (NASDAQ: CSMO) the Miami-based manufacturer and distributor of consumer electronic and housewares products today announced that Andy Neckowitz, an experienced executive in the consumer products industry, has agreed to become the president of the company commencing Jan. 20, 1991, when his existing noncompete covenant with his prior employer expires.

Neckowitz's prior experience in the consumer products industry includes 13 years at Spartus Corporation (a large clock and lighting company) in various executive positions including chief operating officer of one of Spartus' divisions. Neckowitz has extensive experience in management, sales, marketing product development and the Far East.

Amancio Suarez, chief executive officer of Cosmo Communications, stated that he was delighted that Andy had agreed to join the company and was confident that Neckowitz would provide the necessary leadership as the company attempts

to reverse its trend of losses.

The company also announced the results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Sales for the third quarter decreased by $13,420,000 compared to the corresponding period in 1989. The net loss for the third period increased by $5,463,000 from the comparable period of 1989.

Sales decreased primarily because of an overall weak market and demand for the products of the company as well as the policy of the company to phase-out the sale of various unprofitable product lines in its Electronic Division. The net loss resulted from the lower sales and significant write-offs of inventory and receivables.

The company also announced that it expected a loss for the fourth quarter although not of the same magnitude as the third quarter loss.

Results for the quarters ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 were as follows:

COSMO COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

	1990	1989	
Sales	$16,071,000	$29,491,000	
Net Income (Loss)	$(7,063,000)	$(1,600,000)	
Net Income (Loss) per share	$ (1.40)	$ (.32)	Average outstanding shares
	5,060,000	5,060,000	

CONTACT: Amancio V. Suarez, chief executive officer of Cosmo Communications Corporation, 305-621-4227, ext. 107/

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#90327p9494 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Department of Environmental Resources (DER) has ordered Concord Resources Group to restore a small wetland on one of two Clarion County sites where Concord has suggested locating a hazardous waste incinerator.

The department also will impose a penalty after evaluating the restoration of the 35-by-200 foot wetland in Mill Creek Township, Deputy Secretary James R. Grace said.

"We want to make it clear that we value all of our wetlands, regardless of size, because they serve a variety of vital environmental functions," Grace said.

Wetlands provide an important habitat for plants and animals, water purification and flood control.

Officials in DER's Bureau of Dams and Waterway Management notified Concord

that it had violated the Dam Safety and Encroachments Act of 1978 by digging in the wetland without a permit. Concord excavated, but has since filled in, a 20-by-25 foot hole to collect water on the 515-acre site where it is seeking to locate a hazardous waste incinerator.

The bureau has directed Concord to submit by Dec. 3 its proposal to replant the site and finalize the restoration.

Upon completion, a penalty will be determined based on the seriousness of the violation, how well it was corrected and the violator's cooperation with the department.

"It'll be up to us to negotiate a settlement for the exact amount of the penalty, but we plan a minimum of $1,000," Grace said.

CONTACT: Justin Supon of the state Department of Environmental Resources, 717-787-1323.

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#90327p9495 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMFIELD, NJ (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Peerless Tube Company (AMEX: PLS) today reported a loss in the third quarter and the first nine months on 1990.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, sales of $10,822,862 resulted in a loss of ($731,850), or (30 cents) per share, compared to sales of $9,823,749 and a net loss of ($1,107,519), or (45 cents) per share.

For the nine months sales of $32,812,361 compared to $36,180,052 resulting in a loss of ($1,873,977), or (76 cents) per share versus a loss of ($1,091,611), or (44 cents) per share. Shares outstanding for both years were 2,462,973.

A two week plant shutdown for maintenance hampered aerosol sales in the third quarter, but by the end of the period demand in all three product lines was well ahead of a year ago, commented Frederic Remington, chairman. The company was profitable in October, he added.

PEERLESS TUBE COMPANY & SUBSIDIARY

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

Period ended	Three months		Nine months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$10,822,862	$ 9,823,749	$32,812,361	$36,180,052
Cost of sales	9,850,676	10,097,614	30,869,147	33,930,579
Selling and admin. expenses	1,230,948	955,200	3,697,848	2,931,053
Operating income (loss)	(258,762)	(1,229,065)	(1,754,634)	(681,580)
Int. inc. (exp.)	(470,160)	(363,863)	(1,374,850)	(1,119,665)

Other income	1,524	29,131	1,255,175	111,319
(Loss) before inc. tax credits	(727,398)	(1,563,797)	(1,874,309)	(1,689,926)
Inc. tax credits	4,452	(456,278)	(332)	(598,315)
Net income (loss)	(731,850)	(1,107,519)	(1,873,977)	(1,091,611)
Per share	(.30)	(.45)	(.76)	(.44)
Average number of shares outstg.	--	--	2,462,973	2,462,973

CONTACT: Buddy Solomon, chief executive officer of Peerless Tube, 201-743-5100.

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#90327p9497 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDMONTON, ALBERTA (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Numac Oil & Gas Ltd. today announced that there have been validly deposited with The Royal Trust Company and not withdrawn as at 5 p.m. (local time at the place of deposit) on Nov. 21 1990, over 1.2 million common shares of Giant Reef Petroleums Limited, representing approximately 95 percent of the issued and outstanding common shares excluding the common shares owned by Numac, its affiliates and associates as at Oct. 24, 1990. As a result, all conditions of its offer to purchase the outstanding common shares of Giant Reef have been satisfied. The offer has terminated and all common shares of Giant Reef deposited under the offer will be taken up and paid for on or before Dec. 1, 1990. Numac will be exercising its compulsory acquisition rights under the Business Corporation Act (Alberta) to acquire the remaining common shares not tendered under the offer.

CONTACT: William S. McGregor, President and Chief Executive Officer of Numac Oil & Gas Ltd., 403-423-1718.

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PIRAEUS, GREECE (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Global Ocean Carriers (AMEX: GLO) announced today that revenue for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $4.2 million compared to $5.1 million for the same period in 1989. Net income before depreciation but after a dry docking and special surveys provision was $1.3 million or $0.43 per share compared to $2.0 million or $0.67 per share in 1989. Net income after depreciation was $285,000 or $0.09 per share versus $1.1 million or $0.37 per share in the third quarter of 1989.

Revenue for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $14.9 million compared to $9.3 million for the same period last year. Net income before depreciation but after a dry docking and special surveys provision was $5.4 million compared to $4.3 million in the same period in 1989. Net income after depreciation was $2.4 million or $0.80 per share versus $2.6 million or $0.87

per share for the same period in 1989.

The company owns a fleet of seven vessels. As at Sept. 30, 1990, the company's fleet had an aggregate market value of $41.5 million based on two independent valuations.

During the third quarter of this year, the total off-hire period of the fleet was 50 days, including 36 days for the Global Star upgrading. The maximum possible number of on-hire days was 644.

Taking into account the results for the third quarter, the directors believe that it is prudent to conserve cash in the company until some sustained improvement in the shipping freight market has been demonstrated. They have therefore decided to pay a quarterly dividend of $0.05 per share for a total of $0.67 per share for the first nine months of this year. Over the same period last year, Global paid dividends totaling $1.30 per share.

The dividend will be paid on Dec. 20, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

Founded in 1988, Global Ocean Carriers was formed for the purpose of acquiring owning and ultimately selling a diversified fleet of second hand dry bulk or combination carriers. The fleet consists of 2 Capesize combination, 2 Panamax and 3 Handysize bulk carriers.

CONTACT: Michael Jolliffe, 011-4471-696-0710, or James Fairbairn, 011-4481-994-2687, both of Global Ocean Carriers, or William Rose or Ken Donenfeld of D. F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for Global Ocean Carriers

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SEATTLE (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Seafirst Bank will be the managing underwriter for the King County Library District's upcoming bond issue. The $15 million issue is the third part of $67 million approved by voters in 1988. Seafirst was also the underwriter for the Library's two previous bond issues, which totalled $20 million.

The King County Library District, which plans to offer the bonds Nov. 27, will use the funds to construct and expand new buildings throughout King County, and to purchase new books and materials. A new customer service center will also be built with the proceeds. According to Sheila Simpson of Seafirst Capital Markets, the bond issue will be sold in increments of $5,000 and will earn tax-exempt interest.

"Customers can go to any one of Seafirst's 188 branches statewide to contact a licensed bank investment officer who can sell the bonds," said Simpson. "We want to remind people they don't have to use a brokerage firm to buy bonds."

Seafirst is the largest underwriter of municipal bonds in the state. According to Simpson, the King County Library bond issue is one of the ways the bank supports the community by serving as a partner in local and state obligations.

For further information about the King County Library bonds, contact a personal banker at any Seafirst branch or call toll-free 800-542-0465.

CONTACT: Sheila Simpson of Seafirst Bank, 206-358-8920

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DENVER (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Bellco Credit Union President George P. Turner will retire effective Apr. 30, 1991.

"I regretfully announce that George Turner will be leaving Bellco next spring " said Ed Arnold, chairman of the board. "Bellco has benefited tremendously over the years under George's leadership, and he will be missed. We wish him well in his retirement."

Turner joined Bellco as treasurer/general manager in 1965 and was named president of the credit union in 1983. Prior to joining Bellco, Turner served as treasurer and general manager of one state-chartered and two federally-chartered credit unions.

Actively involved in professional organizations serving the financial industry Turner is completing his second term as a Credit Union National Association (CUNA) board member, where he sat on the CUNA Executive Committee, and has been active on many committees at the national level since 1972, when he was named national director to CUNA.

Turner also serves on the Thrift Advisory Council of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City and the Federal Reserve Industry Advisory Group on Future EFT Payments Services.

Turner's successor has not yet been named. According to Arnold, an announcement regarding the new president is expected in March 1991.

Based in Denver, Bellco Credit Union is a nonprofit, member-owned financial services institution with 87,925 members, 195 employees, $357 million in assets and 13 branch service centers throughout the Denver metro area.

CONTACT: Catherine Teutsch of Bellco Credit Union, 303-692-7818; or John Metzger of Carl Thompson Associates, 303-494-5472, for Bellco Credit Union

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#90327p9531 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOSTON (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - BayBanks, Inc. (NASDAQ: BBNK), one of New England's largest bank holding companies, today announced that the merger between BayBank Norfolk and BayBank Southeast, N.A. has been consummated. The new bank, BayBank South, becomes the sixth largest full-service commercial bank in Massachusetts with more than $2.3 billion in total assets and more than 1,150 employees.

Trumbull C. Curtiss, president and chief executive officer of BayBank South, said, "We look forward to continuing to serve the communities throughout Norfolk, Plymouth, Barnstable, and Bristol counties as well as part of Suffolk county, as BayBank South."

BayBank South, which combines the banking operations of BayBank Norfolk and BayBank Southeast, will continue to serve the area through its 57 offices. BayBank South is headquartered in Dedham.

CONTACT: Meg Burdsall of BayBanks Systems, Inc., 617-642-1583 or Bill Denehy of BayBank South, 617-320-7475

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#90327p9535 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
SALISBURY, MD (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Second National Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: SNFS), which in October reported the addition of $25.4 million to general and specific loan loss reserves of which $8.75 million was to be spread over the next 18 months, has determined that the entire $25.4 million will be recorded, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, in the third quarter.

The decision to record the entire increase in the third quarter, which the company said was reached after consultation with its independent accountants and officials of the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), will have the effect of increasing the company's loss for the quarter from the previously reported $11.2 million, or $1.57 per share, to $16.9 million or $2.33 per share. This compares to 1989 third quarter earnings of $2.5 million or 34 cents per share. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company will report a loss of $12.5 million or $1.82 per share, compared with net income of $7.1 million or 97 cents per share reported a year earlier.

The Company meets all current regulatory requirements for tangible, core and risk-based capital. After accounting for the additions to reserves, the book value of Second National's common stock is $4.97 per share.

Henry A. Berliner, Jr., president and chief executive officer, commented: "As we publicly stated over nine months ago, the continuing deterioration of the commercial real estate markets in the mid-Atlantic region is negatively

impacting the entire financial services industry. This, coupled with a more stringent regulatory environment, has mandated that we aggressively move to recognize and resolve deficiencies in our portfolio. We believe these additions to our loan loss reserves, combined with certain operational changes we have made, will assist us in restoring Second National's profitability."

Berliner cited the establishment of a commercial loan workout department, the hiring of a key executive with troubled asset experience, and recently affected staffing reductions, salary freezes, and realignments as some of the significant operational changes.

Berliner added that the company is continuing to fund its residential real estate portfolio and projected that such originations in 1991 will approximate the $300 million funded in 1990. "This sector of our business will continue to provide our core operating earnings, and will be a major factor in ensuring the long-term viability of Second National."

Second National has 41 offices in Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia.

CONTACT: William T. Russell, III, chief financial officer, 301-749-8415, or Gayle H. Williams, vice president, marketing, 301-266-9200.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Francis "Buddy" Kemp, president of NCNB Corp. (NYSE: NCB), died today. He was 50.

Kemp underwent neurosurgery in 1989 and relinquished his day-to-day responsibilities at NCNB in November of that year.

Kemp, a native of Reidsville, N.C. joined NCNB in 1967 as a credit analyst and quickly advanced in the company. By 1972 he was a senior vice president and National Division executive. Kemp was promoted to executive vice president in 1975, took over the North Carolina Banking Group in 1977 and became president of NCNB Corp. in October 1985. Kemp was named chairman of NCNB Texas in July 1988 when NCNB expanded into that state.

Kemp was regarded as an enlightened business and community leader. He committed his own personal efforts and his company's resources to a wide variety of "quality of life" issues. Among the areas where his leadership set precedent were in establishing policies, procedures and an environment to ensure that women and minorities had opportunity for advancement.

Within the NCNB family, Kemp's personal magnetism, high professional standards work ethic and penchant for detail had a strong influence on the tone and style of the company.

Kemp was a trustee of Davidson College, a member of the Association of Reserve City Bankers, had served as director and Executive Committee member of the North Carolina Citizens for Business and Industry, was a former chairman of the Charlotte Uptown Development Corp. and the United Way of Central Carolinas. He also was past president/chairman of Spirit Square, the North Carolina Symphony, the Arts and Science Council of Charlotte-Mecklenburg, the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce and the North Carolina Bankers Association. Kemp was chairman of Visa USA Inc. and a director of Visa International, the Dallas Citizens Council and the Greater Dallas Chamber of Commerce.

CONTACT: Ellison Clary, 704-386-8633, or Chris Spencer, 214-508-0639, both of NCNB Corporation

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DETROIT (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Service Employees International Union, Local 79 filed suit today to stop the sale of Outer Drive Hospital and the discharge of more than 150 hospital workers.

Outer Drive Hospital, located in Lincoln Park, Mich., is owned by United Care, Inc., of Wayne, Mich.

United Care plans to discharge more than 150 union-represented employees on Dec. 15, 1990, and to sell the hospital to Vencor, a Kentucky corporation.

The contract between Local 79 United Care requires that as a condition of sale of the hospital, the purchaser must agree to retain the employees and assume the union contract. Local 79's lawsuit contends that the sale is a breach of the contract because Vencor is not required to keep the union-represented employees.

Local 79 asked Federal Judge Gerald Rosen to enjoin the December layoffs and sale until an independent labor arbitrator can determine whether United Care has violated the union contract. Without the injunction, the sale will take place and the hospital workers will lose their jobs.

SEIU Local 79 represents more than 20,000 healthcare and service workers throughout Michigan. Local 79's headquarters are in Detroit.

A copy of the lawsuit is available upon request from Local 79's attorneys, Miller, Cohen, Martens & Ice, P.C.

CONTACT: Duane F. Ice or John G. Adam of Miller Cohen, Martens & Ice., P.C., 313-559-2110

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#90327p9564 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Republic Waste Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: RWIN) confirmed today that, while it continues to work with the Ohio Department of Insurance to secure approval of the company's application to acquire Alliance Holding Co. the financial statements in the company's amended preliminary prospectus filed today include the consolidated balance sheet and operating results of Alliance only on a pro-forma, not historic, basis, in order to facilitate the timely completion of the proposed public offering to which the preliminary prospectus relates.

Republic agreed to acquire Alliance in July 1990, subject to regulatory approval, in a transaction to be accounted for as a pooling of interests and issued the shares into escrow. At that time both the company and Alliance anticipated that regulatory approval could and would be achieved by Oct. 31, 1990. Reflecting that expectation, the financial statements of Alliance were presented on an historic basis as part of the company's financial statements included in its original Oct. 19, 1990 preliminary prospectus, as well as in the company's quarterly reports filed for the periods ended June 30 and Sept. 30, 1990. However, the review and negotiation process with the Ohio Department of Insurance continues. As the company currently is unable to estimate when, whether or subject to what conditions its acquisition of Alliance will receive approval, it has decided that in order to pursue completion of the public offering before receipt of approval it is appropriate to present on a pro-forma rather than historic presentation of the financial condition and operating results of Alliance. If and when the company secures regulatory approval, the company expects to account for the acquisition of Alliance as a "pooling of interests" and therefore to combine its historic financial statments with those of Republic, consistent with the previous presentation.

CONTACT: David Ruth of Republic Waste Industries Inc., 713-956-1110

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#90327p9566 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire
CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Carma Corp. (Toronto: CVP.A) announced its financial results for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company reported net income of $28,440,000 compared with net income of $14,473,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income per common share for the nine months was $0.41 compared with $0.21 per share in 1989. 1990 net income per common share was calculated after deducting preferred share dividends of $11,912,000. Preferred share dividends of $10,050,000 were paid in the first nine months of 1989.

Revenue for the nine months was $105,310,000 compared with $96,595,000 for the

same period in 1989.

Earnings per Class AAA Participating Share, Series 1, after fixed preferential dividends, was $2.10 for the first nine months compared with $0.10 for the same period last year. Earnings per Class AAA Participating Share, Series 2, after fixed preferential dividends, was $1.70 for the first nine months. The Series 2 shares were issued in late 1989, therefore there are no comparables.

CONTACT: Murray L. Fox, president and CEO, or Alan Norris, Sr. VP, secretary and CFO of Consolidated Carma Corporation, 403-231-8970

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TEL AVIV, ISRAEL (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthcare Technologies Ltd. (NASDAQ: HCTUF-HCTEF-HCTWF) today reported results of operations for the third quarter and first nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Total sales for the first nine months of 1990 increased by some 28 percent, reaching approximately NIS 2,758,000 ($1,341,000), compared with total sales of NIS 2,148,000 ($1,044,000) in the corresponding period last year. Net loss for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to some NIS 367,000 ($179,000), compared with a net loss of approximately NIS 795,000 ($368,000) in the first nine months of 1989.

Total sales for the third quarter of 1990 amounted to some NIS 1,066,000 ($518,000) compared with NIS 725,000 ($353,000) in the same period last year. Net loss for the third quarter was approximately NIS 225,000 ($109,000), compared with net loss of some NIS 165,000 ($80,000) in the third quarter of 1989.

Savyon Diagnostics Ltd., Healthcare's subsidiary, reported improved results in the first nine months of 1990. Net income for this period ended Sept. 30, 1990 amounted to some NIS 373,000 ($181,000), compared with net income of approximately NIS 102,000 ($50,000) for the same a year ago. Savyon is engaged in the development, manufacture and marketing of medical kits for diagnosing certain sexually transmitted diseases and infectious diseases.

Boaz Paz, general manager of Healthcare, announced that the company completed the acquisition of 50.1 percent of the shares in Medpro, Ltd. on Nov. 1, 1990. Medpro is a centralized diagnostics laboratory facility offering laboratory tests in such areas as allergies, sexually transmitted diseases and nutrition.

On Nov. 10, 1990, Healthcare Technologies' principal shareholder, Istec Industries and Technologies Ltd., announced its intention to sell its 56.6 percent holdings (2,250,000) in Healthcare to Istec's parent company, Yissum Holdings Ltd., at a price of $1 per share.

Healthcare and its subsidiaries maintain their accounts and present their financial statements in New Israeli Shekels (NIS) adjusted to reflect changes in the Israeli Consumer Price Index, and all the figures stated herein are adjusted NIS. All dollar figures are convenience translations using the exchange rate as of Sept. 30, 1990 of NIS 2.057 to US$1.00.

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Healthcare Technologies

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#90327p9573 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

TEL AVIV, ISRAEL (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Istec-Industries and Technologies Ltd. (NASDAQ: ISTUF, ISTEF, ISTWF) today reported results of operations for the third quarter and first nine months of 1990, ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Total sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 reached approximately NIS 3,506,000 ($1,704,000), compared with total sales of approximately NIS 3,140,000 ($1,526,000) for the same period last year. Net loss for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to approximately NIS 2,577,000 ($1,253,000), compared with a net income of approximately NIS 538,000 ($262,000) in the same period last year, which included a one- time income of some NIS 2,524,000 ($1,227,000) from a U.S. share offering of Istec's subsidiary, Healthcare Technologies Ltd.

Total sales for the third quarter of 1990 amounted to approximately NIS 1,230,000 ($598,000), compared with NIS 1,615,000 ($785,000) for the same period last year. Net loss for the third quarter of 1990 reached approximately NIS 1,587,000 ($772,000), compared with a net loss of NIS 66,000 ($32,000) in the corresponding period in 1989.

The net loss for the period caused a significant decrease in shareholders' equity, which amounted to approximately NIS 300,000 ($146,000) at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to NIS 2,878,000 ($1,399,000) at Dec. 31, 1989.

Boaz Paz, president and chief executive officer of Istec, explained that the loss in the third quarter resulted from the following:

-- Operating losses of Scan Group International Ltd. (SGI) which totaled approximately NIS 290,000 ($141,000) in the third quarter of this year and some NIS 446,000 ($217,000) during the first nine months of 1990.

-- In the third quarter, the company's losses included a one-time write-off for good will of approximately NIS 951,000 ($462,000). This write-off reflects SGI's unsuccessful attempts to improve its business. The increase in SGI's accumulated losses, and the need for continuing investments, led to Istec's decision to offer SGI for sale, and for this reason the company took the one-time write-off for good will.

-- In September 1990, the company sold its holdings in Aryt Optronics Industries Ltd., at a profit in dollar terms of about $350,000, although this transaction resulted in a loss of about NIS 330,000 in terms of the Israeli Consumer Price Index.

Israel's deficit in working capital amounted to approximately NIS 2,467,000 ($1,287,000) at Sept. 30, 1990, an improvement of about NIS 7,333,000 ($3,565,000), compared with June 30, 1990, due to the sale of its holdings in Aryt.

As a result of the company's deficit in working capital and significant decrease in shareholders' equity, Istec management decided to sell its holdings in Healthcare Technologies Ltd. (2,250,000 shares) at a price of $1 per share, as previously announced on Nov. 20, 1990. Upon completion of the sale, Istec will realize a profit of about $1.1 million.

Istec and its subsidiaries maintain their accounts and present their financial statements in New Israeli Shekels (NIS) adjusted to reflect changes in the Israeli Consumer Price Index, and all the figures stated herein are adjusted NIS. All dollar figures are convenience translations using the exchange rate as of Sept. 30, 1990 of NIS 2.057 to US$1.00.

ISTEC-INDUSTRIES AND TECHNOLOGIES LTD.
Consolidated Income Statement Data (Unaudited)

Nine Months ended Sept. 30;	Adjusted New Israeli Shekels 1990	1989	Convenience translation into U.S. Dollars 1990	1989
Sales & revenues	3,506,011	3,139,856	1,704,429	1,526,425
Net income (loss)(A)	(2,577,678)	538,092	(1,253,125)	261,591
Earns. (loss) per share	(0.53)	0.11	(0.26)	0.05
Wtd. avg. no. of shares outstanding	4,880,000	4,880,000	4,880,000	4,880,000

Three Months ended Sept. 30;	Adjusted New Israeli Shekels 1990	1989	U.S. Dollars 1990	1989
Sales & revenues	1,229,532	1,614,494	597,731	784,878
Net loss(A)	1,587,893	65,652	771,946	31,916
Loss per share	0.33	0.01	0.16	0.0065
Wtd. avg. no. of shares outstanding	4,880,000	4,880,000	4,880,000	4,880,000

(A) -- At Sept. 30 and June 30, 1989 -- including Adjusted NIS 2,523,738 (US$1,226,902) income from issuance of shares to the public by a subsidiary.

ISTEC-INDUSTRIES AND TECHNOLOGIES LTD.
Consolidated Balance Sheet Data

Convenience translation

	Adjusted New Israeli Shekels		into U.S. Dollars	
	Sept. 30 1990 (Unaudited)	Dec. 31 1989 (Audited)	Sept. 30 1990 (Unaudited)	Dec. 31 1989 (Audited)
Working capital	(2,647,002)	(2,784,584)	(1,286,826)	(1,353,711)
Shareholders' equity	300,018	2,877,696	145,852	1,398,977

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, Inc., 212-545-8400, for Istec

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KALAMAZOO, MI (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - International Controls Corp., has terminated negotiations with the committee formed to represent certain holders of its 12-3/4 percent senior subordinated debentures due 2001 (AMEX: INCB) and its subordinated discount debentures due Jan. 1, 2006 (AMEX: INCA). The committee and its advisors did not accept the terms of the company's exchange offer which commenced June 15, 1990, and after discussing with the company certain proposals with respect to the exchange offer, was unable to formulate an alternative proposal acceptable to the company.

The International Controls Corp. does not intend to further extend the current expiration date of the exchange offer, which is Nov. 27, 1990. As of 5 p.m. on Nov. 21, 1990, $4,000 in principal of the senior subordinated debentures and $5,189,000 in principal of the subordinated discount debentures had been tendered. If the exchange offer terminates without being consummated, the company will promptly return all tendered debentures to debt holders.

CONTACT: Kevin Hanley of International Controls, 616-343-6121; or William Catacosinos or William Rose of D.F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for International Controls

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#90327p9587 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - BankAtlantic (NASDAQ-NMS: ASAL) today announced an offering to exchange non-cumulative preferred stock and cash payments for all of its outstanding capital notes issued in 1986. The capital notes bear interest ranging from 9.50 percent to 12.25 percent per year and mature between January, 1993 and August, 1996. The exchange offer was mailed today to noteholders together with instructions for responding to the offer. As of Sept. 30, 1990 the aggregate principal amount of the capital notes outstanding was $24,431,000.

Under terms of the exchange, noteholders who take advantage of the offer will receive one share of preferred stock for every $25 of principal amount of

capital notes tendered.

The exchange offer, which is subject to a number of conditions, will expire on Dec. 21, 1990 unless extended, and noteholders may choose from three exchange options for varying amounts of preferred stock and cash. The three exchange options are:

Option A: 100 percent will be issued in preferred stock with a 12.25 percent annual dividend rate and a one-time cash bonus of 3 percent at the time of the exchange.

Option B: 20 percent will be issued in cash, 80 percent will be issued in preferred stock with a 10 percent annual dividend rate and a one-time cash bonus of 1 percent at the time of the exchange.

Option C: 35 percent will be issued in cash, 65 percent will be issued in preferred stock with an 8 percent annual dividend rate.

BankAtlantic also announced that upon closing of the offering it will file applications for listing and trading of the preferred stock with NASDAQ and will seek to comply with applicable listing requirements.

BankAtlantic, A Federal Savings Bank, has assets of $1.85 billion and 46 banking offices in Broward, Palm Beach and Dade counties. Established in 1952, and a public company since 1983, BankAtlantic common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the ticker symbol ASAL.

CONTACT: Alan B. Levan, chairman of BankAtlantic, A Federal Savings Bank, 305-760-5317

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#90327p9590 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - Workingmens Corporation (NASDAQ: WCBK), the parent company of Workingmens Co-operative Bank, today announced results and related financial data for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

The corporation reported losses of $1.4 million or $1.16 per share for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, as compared to earnings of $2,000 for the same period last year. Year-to-date losses for the first six months of the current fiscal year were $9.1 million or $7.58 per share as compared to earnings of $197,000 or 16 cents per share for the comparable period of a year ago.

The loss for the quarter and the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, is due primarily to an increase in the provision for possible loan losses by the corporation's subsidiary, Workingmens Co-operative Bank, and writedowns and losses on other real estate owned and acquisition, development and construction loans which amounted to $950,000 for the quarter and $8.9 million

for the first six months of the fiscal year.

Real estate owned totaled $11.4 million and non-performing loans were $13.8 million at Oct. 31, 1990. The comparative figures at April 30, 1990 were $9.1 million and $12.6 million, respectively.

President and Chief Executive Officer John E. McDonald, stated, "The weakened real estate market and declining economy continue to negatively affect the bank's operations as non-performing assets reduce interest income and the costs associated with managing real estate owned rise. The primary focus of our efforts must continue to be towards the resolution of our non-performing loans and real estate owned."

Consolidated assets of Workingmens Corporation were $240.5 million on Oct. 31, 1990, as compared to $258.0 million on Oct. 31, 1989. The book value per share was $9.91.

Workingmens Corporation is the holding company for Workingmens Co-operative Bank, a Massachusetts-chartered co-operative bank with five offices in Greater Boston. The bank's deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and the Share Insurance Fund (SIF) of the Co-operative Central Bank.

Workingmens Corporation is traded on the NASDAQ system under the symbol WCBK.

WORKINGMENS CORPORATION
Selected Consolidated Financial and Statistical Data
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	At Oct. 31, 1990	At April 30, 1990
	(Unaudited)	
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS		
Total Assets	$240,451	$248,065
Stockholders' equity	11,889	20,932
Stockholders' equity as a percent of assets	4.94 pct.	8.44 pct.

	Quarter ended Oct. 31, (Unaudited)		Six Months ended Oct. 31 (Unaudited)	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net income (loss)	($1,388)	$ 2	($9,091)	$197
Earnings (loss) per share	(1.16)	---	(7.58)	16 cents
Annualized return (loss) on average assets	(2.32%)	---	(7.50%)	.15%
Annualized return (loss) on average equity	(44.18%)	0.03%	(118.43%)	1.56%

Interest rate spread	2.79%	3.31%	2.40%	2.91%
Net yield on average earning assets	2.53%	3.46%	2.26%	3.13%
Net interest margin to operating expenses	62.32%	99.46%	56.70%	93.16%

	Quarter ended Oct. 31,		Six months ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	
OPERATING DATA Interest and dividend income	$5,581	$6,644	$10,896	$12,994
Interest expense	4,220	4,606	8,436	9,248
Net interest income	1,361	2,038	2,460	3,746
Provision for possible loan losses	(382)	(321)	(6,057)	(571)
Net gain on sale of mortgage loans	23	86	12	251
Loan servicing fees	112	123	298	250
Net gain on sale of securities	---	---	---	304
Write-down of other real estate owned and acquisition, development and construction loans	(553)	---	(2,914)	---
Gain (loss) on sale of other real estate owned, net	(15)	---	35	---
Other non-interest income	100	145	214	236
Non-interest expense	(2,184)	(2,049)	(4,339)	(4,021)
Income (loss) before income taxes	(1,538)	22	(10,291)	195
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(150)	20	(1,200)	(2)
Net Income (loss)	($1,388)	$ 2	($9,091)	$197

CONTACT: Kevin J. McGillicuddy, chief operating officer of Workingmens Corp., 617-451-1000

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#90327p9593 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - LL&E Royalty Trust (NYSE: LRT) announced today that its monthly distribution to unit holders will be made on Dec. 15, 1990, to unit holders of record on Dec. 5, 1990. This distribution represents amounts payable to the trust with respect to production for the month of September 1990.

The total amount of the December distribution will be $1,642,178, or approximately $.08647 per unit. Due to the nature and timing of other operating and capital projects along with fluctuations in monthly production, as well as the price of crude oil, this distribution is not necessarily indicative of future monthly distributions.

As previously announced, the working interest owner has begun to escrow amounts for the Fort Worth Basin property in connection with the issue of recapture of intangible drilling and development costs under Section 1254 of the Internal Revenue Code. The trust's interest in the amount escrowed from the current month's distribution and the cumulative balance of such are $7,213.36 and $532,111.04 respectively. As stated last month, pending the possible appeal by the IRS of the previously announced favorable ruling rendered by the United States Tax Court on the Section 1254 issue, the working interest owner has made no decision on whether and when these amounts will be released from escrow.

The working interest owner has determined under the terms of the trust documents that it is eligible to escrow funds from all trust properties for the 1254 recapture issue. However, it has advised the trustee that it does not intend to exercise its rights to escrow funds, other than for the Fort Worth Basin, for this issue for the December 1990 distribution. However, the working interest owner intends to continue to monitor its estimates of relevant factors in order to evaluate the necessity of escrowing funds for this issue on an ongoing basis. The working interest owner is under no obligation to give any advance notice to the trustee or the unit holders in the event it determines that funds should be escrowed. If the working interest owner does begin to escrow such funds with respect to the productive properties, other than Fort Worth Basin, the effect on royalties paid to the trust would be significant, and in certain circumstances could eliminate distributions for a period of time.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, (NOV. 23) PRNEWSWIRE - La Teko Resources Ltd. (NASDAQ: LAORF, Vancouver: LAO) announces, subject to regulatory approval, the granting of stock options to Directors, Chester F. Millar and Jack Layne, in the aggregate of 200,000 shares at a price of $.72 per share.

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#90327p9619 11/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, (NOV. 23) PR NEWSWIRE - The Vancouver Stock Exchange today released the decision of a hearing committee appointed to consider allegations that Francoise R. Otto, while employed as a registered representative with Wolverton Securities Ltd., had breached Exchange bylaws and rules.

The allegations followed the showing of a segment of the ABC-TV "PrimeTime Live" program on Oct. 4, 1990.

The hearing committee found that none of the allegations contained in the five counts had been proven.

''In our view it would be dangerous to convict this lady of the serious allegations contained in the Citation without the full tape to study. The words we have pondered over might well have been taken out of context. In any event they fall short of persuading us, on the balance of probabilities, so recently defined by the Court of Appeal, that the charges have been proven.

"The finding of this committee is that the charges in the Citation are not proven.''

Members of the hearing panel were Thomas C. Marshall, chairman; Gerald G. Fabbro, Midland Walwyn Capital Inc.; and George Pruden, Richardson Greenshields of Canada Ltd.

Copies of the decision are available from the Public Affairs department, second floor Vancouver Stock Exchange Tower, 609 Granville St. until 5:30 p.m. today.

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VILNIUS (NOV. 23) TASS - THE LITHUANIAN GOVERNMENT IS PLANNING TO CONTINUE PREPARING BILATERAL TRADE AND ECONOMIC AGREEMENTS WITH THE SOVIET UNION FOR 1991, READS A MESSAGE SENT TODAY TO THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT BY THE REPUBLIC'S GOVERNMENT.

TALKS ON TRADE AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE BALTIC REPUBLICS AND THE SOVIET UNION FOR 1991 WERE JEOPARDISED AFTER THE NOVEMBER 10 MEETING IN MOSCOW BETWEEN THE PRIME MINISTERS OF LITHUANIA, LATVIA AND ESTONIA AND THE SOVIET UNION YIELDED NO RESULT.

THE LITHUANIAN PRIME MINISTER SAID THEN THAT THE SOVIET SIDE WAS TO BLAME, AS IT WAS "BLOCKING TRADE AGREEMENTS" AND "PUT FORWARD ULTIMATUMS".

IN TODAY'S MESSAGE, THE LITHUANIAN GOVERNMENT EXPRESSES READINESS "TO TAKE PART DIRECTLY, WHEN CONVENIENT TIME, IN DISCUSSIONS ABOUT TRADE AND ECONOMIC ISSUES AND ELABORATIONS OF DECISIONS".

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#90327u0084 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 23) UPI - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, wounded by a challenge to her Conservative Party leadership and losing the support of her Cabinet, said she would step down after 11 1/2 years in power that restored Britain's stature in the world community and brought ''unparalleled prosperity to our citizens.''

Thatcher, who has been under fire because of her aggressive opposition to greater European Community integration, said Thursday that she believed the Conservative Party would best be served by her resignation.

Hours later, she turned a defense of her government in the House of Commons against a no-confidence motion lodged by the opposition Labor Party into a spirited attempt to write her own political epitaph.

With a blend of hard-edged determination and a willingness to laugh at the ''funny old world'' that forced a close to her 41-year political career, Thatcher declared her Tory government ''rescued Britain from the powerless state to which socialism had brought it.''

''Once again, Britain stands tall in the councils of Europe and the world, and our policies have brought unparalleled prosperity to our citizens at home. We have given back control to people over their own lives and their livelihood, over the decisions that matter most to them and their families.''

The longest serving prime minister this century announced the solitary decision she reached at 7:30 a.m. to resign in a statement issued by Downing Street.

''Having consulted widely among colleagues, I have concluded that the unity of the party and the prospects of victory in a general election would be better served if I stood down to enable Cabinet colleagues to enter the ballot for the leadership,'' said Thatcher, 65.

''I should like to thank all those in the Cabinet and outside who have given me such dedicated support.''

Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd and Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major both announced they will try to succeed her as party leader, joining renegade Conservative Michael Heseltine on the ballot scheduled for next Tuesday.

Heseltine, 57, dealt the blow to Thatcher that will end an era in British

politics. He failed to end outright her 15-year tenure as head of the Conservative Party in a party vote Tuesday but mustered enough support to force a second ballot next week that could have swept her from power.

Worldwide reaction reflected admiration for Thatcher's grit and achievements, tempered by widespread sentiment that it was time to go.

''On a personal note, I'll miss her because I value her counsel and the wisdom that comes from her long experience,'' President Bush said in Saudi Arabia while visiting American troops. ''She has been an outstanding prime minister for the United Kingdom and an outstanding friend of the United States.''

His predecessor, Ronald Reagan, who was far closer to Thatcher, said in a statement issued from his California home, ''Margaret Thatcher is truly a world statesman. On this of all days, Great Britain and indeed all the world should be thankful for the leadership of Margaret Thatcher.''

In Moscow, ''We will remember her for her great contribution to good relations between the West and the Soviet Union,'' said Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov.

Thatcher had declared, ''I fight on; I fight to win'' Wednesday, but wavered when her Cabinet and others pressured her to resign for the good of the party. At least eight top leaders indicated they would not support her on the second ballot.

Thatcher told an early morning Cabinet meeting and Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace she would resign as soon as a new leader is selected.

She reportedly told Cabinet members ''it's a funny old world,'' that she had won three general elections, had support from a majority of the country and Conservative MPs but questions were still being raised about her political future.

Thatcher's daughter, Carol, said her mother was betrayed by her party. ''I think it's the most gutless act of treachery after all she's done.''

Britain's first woman prime minister changed the course of British government, rekindled her country's international prestige and gave her name to a free-market political philosophy, ''Thatcherism.''

She led Britain to victory over Argentina in the 1982 Falklands War, fought for the deployment of U.S. missiles in Europe, a move that paved the way for U.S.-Soviet arms reduction agreements, and facilitated an end to the Cold War.

On the domestic front, Thatcher governments carried out a sweeping denationalization of industry and services, curbed the power of left- wing labor unions and cut back on public spending to tame inflation.

Thatcher's decision left a three-way race that pundits were unwilling to call.

Heseltine is the man the prime minister least wants to succeed her.

The man nicknamed ''Tarzan'' resigned from the Cabinet in 1986 amid a clash between the Cabinet and Thatcher over whether an American or European company should rescue Britain's only helicopter manufacturer. She was accused of leaking a classified letter in the affair. Heseltine quit, protesting she had undermined the Cabinet.

Heseltine, who was planting acorns at London Zoo when he heard of Thatcher's resignation, said, ''this brings to an end a quite remarkable premiership. She has made a remarkable contribution to British history and has led this country with great distinction in the 1980s.

''The resignation now opens the way for an election for leader which will enable others to come forward. I very much welcome that ... and we will then find a way to unite the party and go on to win the next election.''

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#90327u0087 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 23) UPI - Margaret Thatcher's resignation as Britian's prime minister was greeted with relief throughout Europe. The secretary-general of Germany's ruling Christian Democratic Union says Thatcher- quote- ''has been part of history for some time.'' Thatcher's opposition to all things European led to Britain's isolation... and weakened her influence.

Bush will meet with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak today in Cairo. While a strong supporter of U-S policy in the Persian Gulf... Mubarak has expressed reluctance to agree to the use of force against Iraq. Egypt's foreign minister this week stated his nation does NOT want to fight its sister Arab state.

U-S troops listening to President Bush in Saudi Arabia did NOT hear anything new from their commander-in-chief during his Thanksgiving visit. Bush repeated his stance that Iraqi forces must leave occupied Kuwait because one conquered country- in Bush's words- ''is one too many.''

Army and Air Force disposal teams combed an area in the Nevada desert in search of live rounds of ammunition. More than 20 tons of ammunition blew up last night when a trailer rig caught fire 170 miles north of Las Vegas. There were NO injuries in the blast that caused an aerial display visible for miles.

The Army says the ammunition involved in the explosion was destined for Operation Desert Shield in the Persian Gulf. A spokesman for the Sierra Army Depot in California says the truck was loaded with M-180 Cratering Demolition Kits, explosives used to blow holes to create tank traps or destroy roads.

Big Thanksgiving Day Parades brought hundreds of thousands of revelers to the streets in New York and Houston. About 80 Million television viewers across the nation watched Macy's 64th annual parade in which new entries Bart Simpson and Clifford the Dog joined stalwarts Bugs Bunny and Kermit the Frog.

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#90327u0095 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

COLUMBIA, S.C. (NOV. 23) UPI - Collin Mackie kicked a school-record five field goals and freshman Rob DeBoer rushed for 98 yards and a touchdown Thursday night, lifting South Carolina to a 29-10 victory over West Virginia.

Mike Dingle also rushed for a touchdown, helping South Carolina finish the regular season at 6-5, its fourth consecutive winning season. Mark Johnson kicked a 30-yard field goal, and Jon Jones ran 9 yards for a touchdown for WestVirginia, 4-7.

Trailing 3-0 in the first quarter, Dingle capped an 80-yard, 14-play drive by scoring from the one. Mackie's extra point gave the Gamecocks a 7-3 lead.

The Mountaineers took a 10-7 lead early in the second quarter, driving 73 yards in eight plays, with Jones scoring.

South Carolina countered with Mackie field goals of 35 and 24 yards to take a 13-10 halftime lead.

Robert Brooks returned the second-half kickoff 34 yards for South Carolina, which then drove 52 yards in 12 plays to take a 20-10 lead. DoBoer, who came to South Carolina on a baseball scholarship, capped the drive with a 2-yard TD run.

Mackie added field goals of 36, 27 and 27 yards in the final quarter.

Bobby Fuller completed 18 of 28 passes for 229 yards for South Carolina, while the Mountaineers' Greg Jones was 9 of 20 for 122 yards.

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#90327u0109 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

CALGARY, Alberta (NOV. 23) UPI - Calgary Flames goalie Rick Wamsley impressed the NHL's all-time leading scorer Thursday night.

''Rick (Wamsley) played an exceptional game. He is a quality goaltender and showed that tonight,'' said Los Angeles' Wayne Gretzky, after Wamsley made several big saves in the first two periods to help Calgary to a 6-3 victory over the Kings.

''Wamsley made three great saves off Brad Jones, Tony Granato and myself,'' Gretzky said. ''Calgary scored on two great goals in the middle period; Wamsley stoned us on ours.''

Wamsley, who made 29 saves, stopped Jones on a breakaway midway into the second and stopped Granato in the deep slot just over 12 minutes into the period.

Meanwhile, the Flames took a 2-0 lead after two periods on goals by rookie Robert Reichel and Theoren Fleury. Reichel scored another goal in the third.

Reichel gave the Flames a 1-0 lead at 8:11 of the second when he drilled a 25-foot slapshot from inside the faceoff circle over goalie Kelly Hrudey. Fleury increased the Flames' lead to 2-0 at 17:13, tipping Doug Gilmour's pass through Hrudey's legs for his 11th goal of the season.

''We had our chances in the opening two periods and played well, but Wamsley played well for them,'' Kings defenseman Marty McSorley said. The Kings started a five-game, nine-day Eastern road trip.

''This is the best I have felt since I got back,'' said Wamsley, who missed 11 games from October 20 through November 8 because of a hand injury. ''I was able to see the plays tonight and had a good feeling.''

The teams traded power-play goals early in the final period.

Mark Hunter scored for Calgary at 1:33, giving Calgary a 3-0 lead, but Steve Duchesne drilled a 35-foot screened shot past Wamsley at 5:29, cutting the margin to 3-1.

The teams traded goals 21 seconds apart just over seven minutes into the period.

Reichel gave the Flames a 4-1 lead at 7:21, but Tomas Sandstrom brought the Kings to within 4-2 with his 13th goal of the season at 7:42.

Sandstrom scored his second goal of the game at 9:48 of the period, tipping Granato's pass by Wamsley. The power-play goal cut Calgary's lead to 4-3.

''We took some bad penalties and let them back in the game when we had three-goal leads,'' Flames Coach Doug Risebrough said.

Gilmour clinched the game for the Flames with 62 seconds remaining, beating Hrudey along ice for his 4th goal of the season. Sergei Makarov closed out the scoring with an empty net goal at 19:43.

Islanders 3 Jets 1

The New York Islanders got fine goaltending from from Jeff Healey and defeated the Winnipeg Jets 3-1 at Uniondale, NY.

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#90327u0111 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 23) UPI -

Winnipeg	0	1	0-1
NY Islanders	1	1	1-3

First period-1, NY Islanders, Flatley 5 (Sutter, Healy), 9:11. Penalties-Cole, Win, 2:34; Chyzowski, NYI, 10:55; Ludwig, NYI, 17:32.

Second period-2, NY Islanders, Dalgarno 1 (Ferrero, Chyzowski), 5:51. 3, Winnipeg, Cole 4 (Olczyk), 7:38. Penalties- MacDermid, Win, 0:55; Healy (served by King), NYI 6:26; Steen, Win, 6:37; Lauer, NYI, 12:52.

Third period-4, NY Islanders, Norton 1 (unassisted), 13:32. Penalties-Housley, Win, 3:31; Berg, NYI, 8:54; McIlwain, Win, 11:30; Donnelly, Win, major (fighting) 12:58; Flatley, NYI, major (fighting), 12:58; Ferraro, NYI, 12:58; Volek, NYI, 16:32; Dalgarno, NYI, 19:27.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 5-11-10-26. NY Islanders 10-7-7-24.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 8-0. NY Islanders 6-0.

Goaltenders-Winnipeg, Essensa. NY Islanders, Healy. A-10,053.

Referee-Lance Roberts.

Los Angeles	0	0	3-3
Calgary	0	2	4-6

First period-No scoring. Penalties- Hrudey, LA (served by Sandstrom), 4:13; Watters, LA, 7:00; Buskas, LA, 9:44; Reichel, Cgy, 16:05.

Second period-1, Calgary, Reichel 5 (unassisted), 8:11. 2, Calgary, Fleury, 11 (Gilmour, Sweeney), 17:13. Penalties- Granato, LA, 8:37; Fleury, Cgy, 8:37; Murzyn, Cgy, 12:14; McSorley, LA, double minor, 20:00; Roberts, Cgy, 20:00.

Third period-3, Calgary, M.Hunter 4 (MacInnis, Ranheim), pp, 1:33. 4, Los Angeles, Duchesne 6 (Gretzky, Blake), pp, 5:29. 5, Calgary, Reichel 6 (Ranheim, M.Hunter), pp, 7:21. 6, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 13 (Granato, McSorley), 7:42. 7, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 14 (Granato, Gretzky), pp, 9:48. 8, Calgary, Gilmour 4 (Macoun) 18:58. 9, Calgary, Makarov, 10 (Macoun, Ranheim) 19:43. Penalties-MacLellan, Cgy, 3:25; Roberts, Cgy, 4:13; Suter, Cgy, 5:44; Elik, LA, 5:44; Miller, LA, minor, major-(fighting), 5:59; T.Hunter, Cgy, major-(fighting), 5:59. Fleury, Cgy, 8:04; M.Hunter, Cgy, 14:05.

Shots on goal-Los Angeles 11-11-10-32. Calgary 11-11-8-30.

Power-play conversions-Los Angeles 4-2. Calgary 5-2.

Goaltenders-Los Angeles, Hrudey. Calgary, Wamsley. A-20,132.

Referee-Koharski.

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#90327u0112 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 23) UPI -

Basketball
Sacramento at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Houston at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 8 p.m.
Chicago at LA Clippers, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Seattle at Utah, 9:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.
Golden State at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

Golf Orlando, Fla. - World Cup tournament

Hockey
Toronto at Philadelphia, 1:05 p.m.
Hartford at Boston, 1:35 p.m.
Edmonton at Buffalo, 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Washington, 8:05 p.m.
Vancouver at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.

Tennis
Sanctuary Cove, Australia - $1 million World Doubles Final

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#90327u0113 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush is in Cairo, Egypt, where a red-carpet welcoming ceremony is scheduled for Friday at Hosni Mubarak's presidential palace. Bush will spend part of the day talking with Mubarak, before flying to Geneva to talk with Syrian's President Hafez al Assad. Bush will head back to Washington later in the evening, ending an eight-day trip to Europe and the Middle East.

A British Defense Ministry spokesman says his nation wants to show that London means ''business'' in the muti-national standoff against Iraq. British Defense Secretary Tom King says Britain will send 14- thousand additional troops to Saudi Arabia, nearly doubling the size of its force already in the gulf. Britain has repeated demanded that Iraqi troops withdrawal from Kuwait or be expelled by military force.

Margaret Thatcher says it's a ''funny old world'' that forced a close to her 41-year political career. Britain's prime minister Thursday announced that she'll step down, saying she believes the Conservative Party would be best served by the move. Thatcher has been under fire for her aggressive opposition to greater European Community integration. Her replacement will be picked Tuesday.

Poles are getting a dose of the negative campaigning that Americans are used to. An independent Warsaw daily quotes an unspecified source as suggesting independent presidential candidate Stanislaw Tyminski dodged military service due to mental disorders. Tyminski had a 21-point following in the latest government survey of support for Sunday's election. Lech Walesa is first with 27... while Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki is third with 17.

El Salvador's military says rebels fired mortars into two military bases on the third day of an offensive that killed at least 84 people and wounded 155 others. The army says 13 civilians died and NON-military rescue services reported taking more than 80 wounded civilians to hospitals since the attacks began Tuesday. The military also says 42 rebels died in attacks on six army bases and more than a dozen towns across 10 of El Salvador's 14 provinces.

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#90327u0117 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 23) UPI -

Wales Conference
Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	15	6	4	34	100	65
Philadelphia	13	10	1	27	84	78
New Jersey	12	10	1	25	84	75
Washington	12	12	0	24	77	78
Pittsburgh	10	9	2	22	90	77
NY Islanders	9	12	0	18	61	78

Adams Division

Boston	12	6	4	28	69	64
Montreal	11	9	3	25	71	70
Hartford	8	9	4	20	56	65

Buffalo	7	8	6	20	70	66
Quebec	3	17	4	10	59	104

Campbell Conference
Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	16	7	2	34	84	57
St. Louis	15	5	1	31	75	53
Detroit	9	10	3	21	79	87
Minnesota	4	14	5	13	57	82
Toronto	4	19	1	9	68	117

Smythe Division

Los Angeles	15	5	1	31	92	64
Calgary	14	8	2	30	104	76
Vancouver	11	11	0	22	68	75
Winnipeg	8	14	2	18	75	85
Edmonton	5	12	2	12	52	60

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#90327u0122 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (NOV. 23) UPI - Tons of collapsing rock killed five gold miners, injured five others and left two missing in a shaft more than a mile beneath the earth's surface, authorities said Friday.

A small tremor shook loose several tons of rock Thursday in a shaft 8,200 feet below the surface of the Doornfontein mine, a spokeswoman for mine owner Goldfields of South Africa Ltd. said.

''It's possible the death toll will rise to seven... the two missing men might turn out to be dead but we're continuing the search,'' she said. The injured were in a satisfactory condition.

South Africa's worst mine disaster of the year, in September, killed 19 miners and injured 22 at the Vaal Reefs gold mine southwest of Johannesburg when a gas explosion tore through a shaft.

The black National Union of Mineworkers estimates more than 68,000 miners have died and one million have been disabled in mine accidents since 1900 in South Africa, the world's biggest gold producer.

In 1989, the NUM says, 735 workers died, a total it expects to be eclipsed this year. The union has calculated a miner who works underground for 20 years risks one chance in 30 of being killed and has a 50 percent chance of being disabled.

#90327u0132 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

UMTATA, South Africa (NOV. 23) UPI - Defense forces in the nominally independent black homeland of the Transkei lifted roadblocks and calm returned to the capital Friday, a day after a failed coup attempt left 18 dead and plunged Pretoria's relations with its troublesome offspring to a new low.

Two more Transkei soldiers loyal to homeland ruler Maj. Gen. Bantu Holomisa died overnight, pushing the death toll to six loyalists and 12 rebels, including coup leader Craig Duli, a former lieutenant colonel who launched the coup bid before dawn Thursday.

Soldiers of the Transkei Defense Force patrolled the streets of the dusty capital of Umtata, some 430 miles southeast of Johannesburg, singly and in pairs Friday, but calm appeared to have returned to the city. Roadblocks put up after the Putsch began were lifted.

Duli, formerly Holomisa's second-in-command, and as many as 30 other men, allegedly including about six whites, attacked the main army base on Umtata's outskirts shortly after 3 a.m. Thursday. Failing to gain control, they seized the 11th floor offices of Holomisa's ruling military council in the city center and refused orders to surrender.

In a barrage of automatic weapons fire and rifle grenade blasts, Holomisa's troops stormed the government building to oust Duli and his men to end the 12-hour coup bid.

Some controversy surrounded the circumstances of Duli's death. The South African Broadcasting Corp. reported Duli was ''apparently murdered while being taken to a place of detention'' but Holomisa said early Friday Duli had died of wounds sustained during the day.

South African radio also reported at least five whites had been arrested in connection with the plot. Holomisa refused Friday morning to either confirm or deny the arrests but called a press conference to display the captured weapons of the rebels.

Holomisa, a strong supporter of the African National Congress who seized power in the homeland in a bloodless coup on Dec. 30, 1987, has consistently angered South Africa, in particular Foreign Minister R.F. Pik Botha, and Thursday implied South African backing for the coup.

South Africa denied the allegations.

Holomisa, 35, has been sharply critical of Pretoria's homelands policy in general and accused white businessmen operating in the Transkei of corruption. His support for the ANC also has complicated his relations with the South African government.

The Transkei, consisting of three pieces of territory separated by tracts of South African land, is home to some 4 million Xhosas, 1.5 million of whom live in South Africa proper. Pretoria's homelands policy had been intended to give blacks limited self-rule in their tribal lands while stripping them of South African citizenship but has been widely condemned as one of the nation's most notorious apartheid laws.

As many as 10 million blacks have been denied citizenship by being forcibly regarded as citizens of the homelands whose sovereignty is recognized only by South Africa.

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#90327u0134 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (NOV. 23) UPI - The central government has launched a nationwide drive against provincial protectionism, a widespread and growing practice blamed for hindering China's economic development, the official press reported Friday.

The State Council, China's cabinet, issued a decree Nov. 10 taking aim at ''regional market blockades'' that hinder the movement of goods across provincial borders, the state-run China Daily said.

The six-point decree asserts the right of enterprises in any of China's 29 provinces and administrative regions to sell their goods in any other province and also guarantees that manufacturers have access to raw materials from any Chinese region.

It bans unfair local taxation of provincial imports, preferential lending rates that favor local producers and the establishment of border checkpoints, all of which have been used to curtail the free movement of goods from one province to another.

The State Council decree was the first concrete effort to combat the growing practice of local protectionism, which has been widely denounced in the state-run media as a barrier to the orderly and efficient development of national markets in China.

The problem has been fueled by glaring inequities in China's centrally controlled socialist pricing system.

Prices of raw materials in China are kept artificially low through heavy government subsidies, allowing producers of finished goods to reap handsome profits.

Provincial officials have been erecting trade barriers to keep lucrative finished-goods production with local enterprises, even if similar or better

goods could be purchased more cheaply elsewhere.

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#90327u0143 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush continues his efforts to enlist stronger support from world leaders against Iraq. The president has arranged meetings today with two more influential Arab leaders- Egypt's Hosni Mubarak and Syria's Hafez Assad.

Bush arrived in Cairo last night from his Thanksgiving Day visit with U-S troops in the Saudi desert. After a formal red-carpet welcoming ceremony today he and Mubarak are to sit down and discuss new ways to cope with Iraqi aggression against Kuwait.

In another development, Secretary of State Baker has struck out in his bid to get Yemen to support military action against Iraq if necessary. Yemen, which takes over the chairmanship of the U-N Security Council next week, says it opposes the presence and possible use of force.

Worldwide reaction to British Prime Minister Thatcher's announcement that she's resigning was admiration for her fierce determination and stunning achievements. But the announcement drew widespread sentiment from some that it was time for her to go.

President Bush said in Saudi Arabia that he'll miss Thatcher's counsel and wisdom. And Israeli leaders regretted Thatcher's resignation. Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir told Army Radio he felt ''heartfelt sorrow.''

The Army confirms that more than 20 tons of ammunition that exploded in the Nevada desert was destined for Operation Desert Shield in the Persian Gulf. The trailer rig carrying the ammunition caught fire and exploded Wednesday night near Tonopah, 170 miles north of Las Vegas. NO one was hurt.

A senior military official in Moscow says the Soviet government doesn't believe food shortages in the Soviet Union are severe enough to release emergency food reserves. The deputy defense minister also rejects widespread charges the army is hoarding the food for itself.

Scientists report the discovery of a new virus that appears to be a cousin of the AIDS virus. They say they detected it in people stricken by an auto-immune disease that creates severe dryness of the eyes and mouth.

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#90327u0144 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (NOV. 23) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and his Chinese counterpart, Qian Qichen, ended an unexpected meeting in western China

Friday with a renewed demand that Iraqi troops withdraw immediately from Kuwait.

China's official Xinhua news agency said the two sides ''found a similarity of views'' on many issues regarding the Gulf crisis but declined to say whether Qian committed China to support of a U.N. Security Council resolution authorizing military force to oust Iraq.

The two envoys met for 90 minutes in Urumqi, the capital of China's remote western Xinjiang region bordering the Soviet republic of Kazakhstan.

China's Foreign Ministry would not elaborate on the discussions, but Xinhua carried a brief dispatch reporting the Sino-Soviet demand for an Iraqi pullout from Kuwait.

''Both sides are firmly opposed to Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait and demand that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait as soon as possible in accordance with the series of U.N. resolutions,'' Xinhua quoted China's foreign minister as saying after the meeting.

Beijing and Moscow have backed U.N. Security Council resolutions calling for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait and authorizing an international economic embargo of Iraq. China and the Soviet Union hold permanent seats on the five-member council.

Diplomats in Beijing speculated Shevardnadze may have come to China to obtain Qian's assurance that Beijing would not derail U.S. proposals seeking U.N. authority to use force to liberate Kuwait, which Iraq invaded Aug. 2.

Both the Soviet Union and China appear to be backing down from earlier objections to the use of military force.

Shevardnadze said Tuesday, ''the time has come'' for the U.N. Security Council to decide if there is need for a new resolution that presumably would sanction a military strike against the forces of Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

Chinese official statements recently have refrained from mentioning Beijing's initial objections to the multinational troop buildup in Saudi Arabia.

''(China) has never said force could not be used. They've never ruled it out '' a Western analyst said.

China earlier had criticized the U.S.-led international troop deployment in the Gulf by lashing out at ''big power military involvement'' and calling for a peaceful solution among Arab nations.

But more recent statements appeared to acknowledge the possibility of fighting.

''At present the Gulf crisis has reached a tense, unsettled point with the danger of war on the increase,'' Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Li Zhaoxing said Thursday.

''As long as there is still a glimmer of hope for a peaceful solution, a mediation effort should be continued,'' he added.

Diplomats described the fourth Qian-Shevardnadze meeting this year as ''unexpected,'' pointing out that the two foreign ministers met just last month in New York.

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(NOV. 23) UPI - A Pacific storm triggered showers over the rain-soaked Washington coast Friday and dense early morning fog settled over parts of the southern Atlantic Coast and the Ohio Valley.

Moist ocean air continued to funnel into Washington, bringing more precipitation to costal areas already soaked by several days of rain. Flood warnings were posted for several western Washington rivers, including the Nooksack, Skagit, Stillaguamish, Skykomish, Snoqualmie, Snohomish and White.

Dense fog shrouded an area from Charleston, S.C., to Jacksonville, Fla., the National Weather service.

Along the Georgia coast, visibility was reduced to near zero in the Savannah area as well on St. Simons Island. Motorists were advised to use caution.

Fog also rolled across Kentucky and Ohio, reducing visibility to near zezo at the Port Columbus International Airport in central Ohio.

Temperatures ranged from the upper 20s in the northern Plains to the upper 60s along the Gulf Coast and in Florida. Readings were in the 30s in northern New England and the upper Ohio Valley; the 40s in the Plains, the Midwest and the Northeast; and the 50s in Southern California, the Northwest, the Middle Atlantic Coast and the South.

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#90327u0169 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (NOV. 23) UPI - Aviation experts began an official investigation Friday into the cause of a plane crash that killed 38 people, most of them foreign tourists.

A special Air Force plane carried the bodies of 36 of the victims to Bangkok for further identification and autopsy.

An airliner operated by Bangkok Airways crashed Wednesday evening into a coconut grove on the resort island of Koh Samui, 300 miles south of Bangkok.

The crash killed all 38 people on board, including nine Thais, five Japanese, two Americans, four Australians, three Italians, five Swedes, five Germans, one Dutchman, and one Fin. The nationalities of three other victims has not been determined.

Officials, including experts from the Aviation Department, began to collect pieces of wreckage for investigation of the cause of the crash. Investigators are expected to look into the weather, the performance of the pilot, the instructions of the ground controllers and the technical equipment at the tiny airport.

Samui district police chief said earlier that it was likely that the pilot lost control of the Dash-8 turboprop plane because of a heavy rainstorm that struck while he was preparing to land.

The airline's captain reportedly did not inform the ground controllers of any technical fault with the plane.

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(NOV. 23) UPI - Around the world, around the clock, the latest news from U-P-I...

President Bush is in Cairo- the first U-S president to visit Egypt in 12 years. Egyptian President Mubarak is expected to repeat his call for more time and greater mediation with Iraq in talks today with Bush. About 20-thousand Egyptian troops are among the multi- national force in Saudi Arabia.

Bush traveled to Egypt from Saudi Arabia, where he spent Thanksgiving Day visiting American troops in the desert. Bush will fly to Geneva to huddle with Syria's President Hafez Assad before heading back to Washington this evening. Assad is a passionate foe of Iraq's Saddam Hussein.

In Tokyo today, Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu said he regrets the resignation of British Prime Minister Thatcher. Kaifu describes Thatcher as a ''rare leader of firm convictions.'' Japan's foreign minister also praised Thatcher, calling her ''a politician to whom the people of Japan feel very close.''

The Nevada Highway Patrol had a major traffic jam on its hands on Thanksgiving. U-S 95- the major link between Las Vegas and Reno- was closed for nine hours, with traffic backed up three miles in either direction. The road was shut after more than 20 tons of ammunition exploded when a trailer rig caught fire.

A senior Soviet military official says Moscow has NO plans of releasing emergency food reserves because current shortages are NOT severe enough. The deputy defense minister also rejects widespread public accusations that the army... which controls the reserves... is hoarding the food for itself.

Japan's Emperor Akihito completed his ascension to the throne today in a pre-dawn religious ceremony in Tokyo. Two court maids were the only witnesses to the ceremony in which Akihito offered rice to a mythical goddess. Akihito announced his ascension to the world in an elaborate display 11 days ago.

Police in Tucson, Arizona, are investigating a telephone threat that prompted two-thousand customers to return their Thanksgiving turkeys. Smith's Food and Drug offered refunds or exchanges to people who bought their gobblers at their stores after an anonymous caller said he injected poison in some turkeys.

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#90327u0212 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

PHNOM PENH, CAMBODIA (NOV. 23) UPI - The Phnom Penh government, backed by its major allies Vietnam and the Soviet Union, has ruled out any reduction or disarmament of troops in a U.N. peace settlement, a joint statement said Friday.

The statement came just before the opening in Paris of talks between the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council on their efforts to bring an end to the 12-year Cambodian conflict. The statement said the Khmer Rouge resistance group should not be trusted.

''Therefore, troops should not be disarmed or their numbers reduced,'' the government said in the joint statement with Vietnam, Laos and the Soviet Union.

The statement said officials from the Soviet Union and the three Indochinese countries met in Phnom Penh on Wednesday for consultations ''on the evolution of the process of a political solution to the Cambodian problem.''

Their opposition to any reduction in military force appeared to differ from the peace framework developed by the U.N. Security Council, which called for a ''phased process of arms control and reduction.'' The Soviet Union earlier agreed to that language.

The U.N. plan, which has been accepted by Phnom Penh only as the basis for further discussion, proposed setting up a U.N. Transitional Authority in Cambodia, which would be empowered to locate and confiscate stores of weapons and military supplies all over the country.

The joint statement said the four countries wanted firm limits on the power of the U.N. authority.

''The participants agreed that UNTAC is not empowered to dismantle existing institutions, agencies, or offices in Cambodia,'' it said.

The meeting also agreed to insist that criticism of the human rights violations of the Khmer Rouge be made in future Cambodian agreements.

Demands for such language at the 1989 Paris Conference helped sink efforts to work out an agreement.

The Khmer Rouge, now the most powerful group in the resistance coalition, simply refused to sign anything that criticized their 1975- 1979 rule, which was blamed for the deaths of more than 1 million people.

The latest statement highlighted the toughening of the Phnom Penh government'sstance since September when the four Cambodian parties agreed to set up a joint national council, which is seen as the key to the U.N. plan.

Since then, however, progress has bogged down in disputes over the leadership of the council and fighting has flared again inside the country.

Earlier the government reported heavy shelling and clashes last week in the western provinces of Battambang, Siem Reap and Banteay Meanchey.

A Defense Ministry roundup of clashes said resistance forces fired nearly 700 artillery shells into government outposts near the border with Thailand.

It said the resistance has stepped up efforts to bring weapons and ammunition into the country.

It said government troops killed 74 guerrillas and captured 30 others in a week of clashes.

Vietnam invaded Cambodia in 1978, ousting the China-backed Khmer Rouge government and installing a new pro-Hanoi regime.

The Khmer Rouge has since joined with two smaller, non-communist groups to form the resistance coalition, which has received aid from the United States, Thailand and China to continue the guerrilla war.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush and Egyptian leader Hosni Mubarak, saying they are losing their patience with Iraq's Saddam Hussein, Friday announced a ''complete identity of views'' on the gulf crisis, including the option of military force to remove Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Bush and Mubarak emerged from 2 1/2 hours of talks on the Persian Gulf crisis,

talking tough about dealing with Saddam.

Bush said he and Mubarak have not given up on a peaceful solution, but quickly added, "We are getting tired of the status quo and so is the rest of the world."

"We reviewed the situation in the gulf and we agree while a peaceful solution brought about by sanctions is preferred, steps must be taken. There is complete identity of views between us on the need for Saddam to withdraw immediately without conditions. Partial solutions are out of the question,'' Bush said.

Mubarak fully endorsed Bush's proposal that military force be kept as an option against Iraq, but he sidestepped questions on whether Egyptian troops would be sent to fight alongside multinational forces.

''I'm not in a position to tell you the details. But we have our plan coordinated with all the forces there,'' Mubarak said.

Both leaders agreed Bush's scheduled meeting with Syrian President Hafez al Assad later Friday was a positive step toward settling the gulf crisis.

''Mr. Assad is lined up with us on the commitment of force,'' Bush said. ''That doesn't mean we don't have differences with Syria ... but they will be on the front line standing up against this aggression. I will work closely with all those standing up against this aggression.

Bush shrugged off Israel's criticism for his meeting with Assad, a foe of Israel and a supporter of terrorism.

''I'm focusing now on these meetings and Syria is a part of this. This relates to the reversal of aggression, not only in the interest of the United States but to every country in the Middle East and that includes Israel. I want to be sure we are solidly together,'' Bush said.

Mubarak said: ''Syria is considered a key country and we should not neglect her. President Assad is a key leader in this area. He is against the occupation of Kuwait. He has his forces in Saudi Arabia for the purpose of liberating Kuwait and he should not be left out.''

Assad has contributed 7,000 troops to the multinational force in Saudi Arabia. Bush also hoped to explore with Assad Syria's close ties with Iran in a move to enlist stronger support from Tehran against its neighbor and longtime foe.

Bush and Mubarak also agreed steps must be taken to keep Saddam in check after the gulf crisis is settled.

''After liberating Kuwait there should be some kind of measure to keep this

area stable and to avoid any more tension and anymore war,'' Mubarak said.

Bush said solution of the crisis could clear the way for other issues to be discussed, including the Palestinian question.

''Once we set back this aggression ... then I think it is clear we will have an opportunity to work more closely together. I would like to see a solution of the West Bank for example. It opens up all kinds of possibilities for a new world order.''

The president and Secretary of State James Baker are in a race against time to try to line up the 15 U.N. Security Council members to support military sanctions against Iraq if necessary.

They appeared to have made progress and possibly a breakthrough with the Soviet Union, but Baker struck out Thursday when Yemen told the United States it opposed the presence and possible use of force in the Persian Gulf region.

Yemen was important since it takes over the chairmanship of the Security Council Nov. 30.

After eight days on the road during his European-Middle East swing, Bush was exhausted and beginning to show the strain.

But he appeared to receive a big lift Thursday from the uniformed men and women he deployed in the gulf region to make a stand against Saddam.

To please the troops, he ate two Thanksgiving dinners on visits to forward bases in Saudi Arabia, one of them nearly 80 miles away from the Kuwaiti border and considered risky.

He also joined the troops in religious services aboard the USS Nassau, a helicopter assault carrier.

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LAWTON, OK (NOV. 23) UPI - Rescue teams searched Friday in a southwest Oklahoma lake for a civilian instructor pilot missing in the crash of an Army Reserve helicopter training for possible Middle Eastern deployment.

Five members of a Little Rock, Ark., Army Reserve unit were rescued from Ellsworth Lake after the crash about 10 p.m. Thursday. They were reported in good condition at a Fort Sill hospital Friday, spokeswoman Sheila Samples said.

''There are some divers out this morning and when daybreak comes we will have more out there,'' she said.

The UH-1V Huey helicopter went down in about 15 feet of water in the lake a few miles north of Lawton. It was on night navigation training at the Army post, a major deployment center for operation Desert Shield. The 374th Medical Detachment arrived on Nov. 18 for training and possible deployment to the Middle East, she said.

An investigation will be conducted to determine the cause of the accident, Samples said.

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PLYMOUTH, MA (NOV. 23) UPI - Social activist and former comedian Dick Gregory says he and his wife will fast on water and fruit juice until American troops are brought home from the Persian Gulf.

Gregory, 58, embarked on his latest fast Thursday at Plymouth Rock while thousands elsewhere in town were enjoying traditional Thanksgiving Day meals.

''I have started that fast now and it's going to continue until all of the American troops come home from the Persian Gulf,'' said Gregory, a Plymouth resident.

''We the people have power. We just have to find ways to show that power. We that believe in God and believe in prayers should turn to God and those prayers ... We in this country have a lot to be thankful for. We have to get in positions of being uncomfortable,'' he said.

Gregory said he was prepared for a long fast.

''I know this is not going to be over before Christmas,'' he said.

With the chatter of sea gulls and tourists in the background, Gregory lead a small group of some 13 supporters in a prayer vigil at Plymouth Rock.

''What a wonderful day to raise consciousness,'' he said, expressing hope his actions would help bring about an end to the Persian Gulf crisis.

He was accompanied by his wife, Lillian, who has joined him on his fasts.

Gregory is a member of Sane/Freeze: Campaign for Global Security. The group, which has some 150,000 members nationwide, seeks to focus public attention on the dangerous possibility of war in the gulf.

Gregory said President Bush is not giving Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein a way out.

''He keeps pushing and pushing and pushing. He just looks like he's looking

for a fight,'' Gregory said. ''There's a possibility Bush can back himself into a war if we just let him.''

Gregory, who also has a diet clinic business, has engaged in a number of fasts over the years, including one that lasted 2 1/2 years starting in 1967 to protest the war in Vietnam. He has also fasted against world and domestic hunger, in support of the Equal Rights Amendment and to protest apartheid in South Africa.

Gregory said he plans to go to other cities to talk about the fast and its aims. Among his plans are a march and rally Dec. 1 in Boston as well as a television commercial with Ron Kovic, the Vietnam veteran and author of ''Born on the Fourth of July.''

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GRANVILLE, OH (NOV. 23) UPI - A minister who plans to deliver infant formula to Iraq says he is aware of the risk of violating a U.N. embargo by making the delivery.

But the Rev. George Williamson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, said obeying moral law is more important than abiding by civil law.

Williamson plans to join a 12-member group scheduled to leave New York Sunday with food and medicine for the Iraqis.

''Non-violent action (groups) have always considered there to be a moral law higher than civil law,'' Williamson said. ''Civil disobedience has always been a means of bearing witness to the higher moral law.''

Williamson said the U.N. embargo, which includes food, ''is sort of like cruel and unusual punishment. It affects the poor people. The people who are in power are going to have all the food they want.''

Williamson, president of the Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America, said the mission is sponsored by the Fellowship of Reconciliation of Nyack, N.Y.

The group sponsored a similar mission in October, delivering 1,000 pounds of medicine for children's hospitals in Baghdad. The group also returned with two Americans who had been hostages in Iraq, Williamson said.

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AMMAN, JORDAN (NOV. 23) UPI - Jordanians, protesting the visit of President Bush to the Middle East, took to the downtown streets after Muslim noon prayers Friday, waving anti-Bush banners and shouting anti-American slogans.

''No to the Bush visit. Yes to the Arab solution,'' and ''By self reliance, we will push you out, Bush,'' read a couple of banners carried by youth who started their march from a Palestinian refugee camp to a downtown square near the Roman Amphitheater where a small rally took place.

An elderly man with an Arab black and white checkered headdress sat on the shoulders of the younger demonstrators and shouted anti-American slogans as his face glowed and glasses fell off his nose. Demonstrators clapped and repeated slogans after him as he flashed a toothless smile and waved his wooden cane in the air.

The protest drew about 1,500 people. Riot police, military police, undercover intelligence and preventive security filled the streets of Amman, but there were no immediate reports of violence.

The demonstrators had hoped they would attract the Muslim Brotherhood after noon prayers at a mosque downtown. Observers, however, were astonished to find there were a lot less worshipers at a mosque usually filled to the sidewalk with worshipers on Fridays.

The Jordanian Arab Nationalist Democratic Alliance, a coalition that includes leftist and nationalist parties and individuals, announced in a press conference earlier in the week that the demonstration would try to attract as many people as possible to protest Bush's visit to the Middle East. The Alliance also advertised in local newspapers and invited the Muslim Brotherhood to participate in the rally.

A leftist activist said that the Muslim Brotherhood ''had purposely not participated in the march to prove that they were more able to mobilize the masses than the left.''

Leftist parties were banned in Jordan by King Hussein in 1957, but the Muslim Brotherhood movement was permitted to work and mobilize the people during large gatherings at mosques. The Islamic movement was able to win the largest number of votes last year in the first free parliamentary elections in almost 30 years and now enjoys the largest single bloc in parliament.

Bush's visit to the region was strongly criticized by the Jordanian public and political parties, describing it as a ''provocation to pinch the Arab people further to kneeling to their hegemony and imperialism.''

The private sector observed a 15-minute strike Thursday to protest against Bush's visit to the region. Government institutions now close on Thursdays and Fridays after new measures were taken last month to conserve energy.

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#90327u0310 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 23) UPI - Royal Navy rescuers found the wreckage of a trawler on the floor of the Irish Sea Friday after it sank when a nuclear submarine snagged one of its nets, apparently killing all four crewmen, officials said.

The operations of U.S. and British submarine fleets in the Irish Sea should be examined, said John Taylor, a member of Parliament from Northern Ireland's Ulster Unionist Party who also represents local fishermen.

The Antares, a 52-foot deep-water trawler from the Scottish port of Carradale, 500 miles north of London on the mouth of the river Clyde, went down Thursday morning off the nearby island of Arran.

A Royal Navy submarine apparently ran into the fishing gear of the Antares, pulling it beneath the sea, Defense Minister Archie Hamilton testified at a House of Commons inquiry hours after the fishing vessel was discovered.

The four-man crew was believed to be dead.

The HMS Trenchant, a nuclear submarine from the nearby base of Faslane, reported noises off its starboard side and surfaced Thursday at 2:40 a.m.

The crew recovered some cable, then continued the mission, said Hamilton.

After a coast guard investigation found a fishing vessel was missing in the area the navy launched a search-and-rescue operation, Hamilton said.

''I can now report that the Antares was discovered on the seabed in the area where the Trenchant reported the previous night's incident. The search for the crew continues, but sadly it now seems extremely unlikely that they will be found alive,'' Hamilton said. ''I know the House will want to join me in expressing condolences to the families.''

The incident is the latest in mishaps involving Scottish fishing vessels and navy submarines, but Hamilton defended the navy's role.

''The Royal Navy has operated submarines in the Clyde area for over 80 years with an excellent safety record,'' he said.

The Royal Navy and the Transport Department will investigate the incident, Hamilton said.

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SEABROOK, NH (NOV. 23) UPI - The Seabrook nuclear power plant was restarted Friday morning following a two-week shutdown to repair a series of technical malfunctions, a plant spokesman said.

Ron Sher, a spokesman for Seabrook operator New Hampshire Yankee, said the $6.6 billion plant was operating at 18 percent of reactor capacity. Sher said the power was gradually being increased and was expected to reach 100 percent by Saturday morning.

Seabrook was initially shut down on Nov. 9 when a leak was detected in an air pressure line. Several days later another problem was discovered with a valve position indicator.

Sher said those problems were corrected but a third malfunction was found Tuesday as the plant was being prepared to be put back in operation.

''Operators determined that a valve in a steam line wasn't working properly,'' Sher said. ''On closer examination, it was determined that a piston in the valve was cracked due to thermal expansion and contraction that occurs during heat-up.''

The affected valve is located in the emergency or auxilliary feedwater system, Sher said. That system would provide water to the steam generator during a plant shutdown.

He said the piston probably cracked at that time, and was not an old defect that was just discovered.

''The heat produced during the process caused expansion of the piston and that's what caused the crack,'' Sher said. ''Every indication is that the heat-up was not as even as procedures require.''

He said start-up procedures were being revised to ensure that a similar problem does not happen. But Sher said the malfunctions that have kept Seabrook idle for two weeks are not unusual.

''Power plants of any type have periods in which repairs or adjustments can lead to shutdowns of days or weeks,'' he said. ''We believe that the recent shutdown and repairs will increase the reliability of the plant in the future.''

Sher said Seabrook had operated continuously at 100 percent power for 66 days prior to this shutdown.

Seabrook received its full-power license in March and was placed in permanent operation in August.

At full capacity, the plant produces 1,150 megawatts of power, enough to supply 1 million homes.

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#90327u0332 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush and Egyptian leader Hosni Mubarak held crucial talks in Cairo today on the Persian Gulf crisis. Mubarak, who has shied away from endorsing the use of force to oust Iraq from Kuwait, said today that Kuwait should be liberated ''by all means,'' including military action.

Britain plans to nearly double the size of its force in the Persian Gulf. Defense Secretary Tom King says the government will send 14- thousand more troops to Saudi Arabia. The moves follows repeated demands by King and Prime Minister Thatcher that Iraq to leave Kuwait or be expelled by military force.

The Soviet Parliament today debates for final approval President Gorbachev's plan to reorganize the government. Lawmakers six days ago gave preliminary approval to the plan which significantly consolidates Gorbachev's power.

But Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov said today he and the entire Council of Ministers will resign if the plan is approved. The blueprint gives Gorbachev expanded powers and practically eliminates the need for a prime minister.

South Africa authorities are searching today for two missing gold miners after a rockfall deep inside a mine west of Johannesburg. Five other miners were killed and five were injured when tons of rock collapsed about a mile deep inside a shaft yesterday.

Calm returned to South Africa's nominally independent black homeland of the Transkei today after a failed coup attempt left 18 people dead early yesterday. Defense forces lifted roadblocks in the capital of Umtata.

Supermarket officials in Tucson, Arizona, say there's NO indication any turkeys were contaminated, despite an anonymous telephone threat that Thanksgiving turkeys had been injected with poison. The threat prompted two-thousand customers to return their gobblers.

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#90327u0336 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
BELGRADE (NOV. 23) UPI - Serbia's main opposition groups decided Friday to boycott the republic's first multi-party elections since 1945 because of the ruling communists' refusal to allow them to help count the ballots.

The 12 parties urged Serbia's 6.4 million voters not to take part in the Dec. 9 polls for the 250-seat assembly and presidency of Yugoslavia's largest republic, effectively denying legitimacy to the contests.

''With the current situation, Serbia, along with (neighboring) Albania, is the only communist ghetto in Europe,'' said a joint statement issued by the

parties at a news conference.

There was no immediately comment from the communist regime of Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic.

The boycott was announced a day after the communist-controlled Serbian Assembly overwhelmingly rejected proposed election law amendments that would have given opposition parties seats on the local and republic panels that will administer the polls and count the ballots.

The opposition had demanded inclusion on the communist-dominated commissions because of fears that the Milosevic regime, which has suffered a substantial loss of popularity in recent months, will rig the results to retain power.

In their statement, the opposition parties said that they have withdrawn all their candidates and announced they will hold a protest rally in central Belgrade on Dec. 3 to call for the resignation of the government.

''We call on all citizens not to go to the polls ... as long as conditions for democratic and free elections are not secure,'' the statement said. ''By rejecting the amendments the possibility for democratic elections has disappeared.''

The polls ''will be the biggest electoral theft since 1945, and we shall not give legitimacy to another communist theft,'' declared Vuk Draskovic, the head of the nationalist Serbian Renewal Movement, who was widely regarded as Milosevic's main rival.

''On Thursday, the Serbian Assembly rejected amendments that would have allowed the opposition to supervise the elections,'' Draskovic said. ''Therefore the major opposition parties have taken an irrevocable decision to boycott elections.''

Democratic Party President Dragoljub Micunovic accused the Serbian regime of having a ''fatal love for power, which is very dangerous.''

The opposition parties included the Alliance of Reformist Forces, the coalition formed by federal Prime Minister Ante Markovic to promote his program for Western-style political and economic reforms.

Vojin Dimitrijevic, the head of the alliance's Serbian chapter, said the organization joined the boycott because ''the Serbian Assembly failed to grant even a symbolic concession and because all the major opposition parties are refusing to take part in the polls.''

On Thursday, five minor opposition groups and the main ethnic Albanian party in the province of Kosovo announced they were boycotting the elections, the first multi-party polls set for the republic since the communist takeover of

Yugoslavia at the end of World War II in 1945.

Serbia and neighboring Marxist-ruled Montenegro are the last of Yugoslavia's six republics to schedule multi-party elections since the collapse in January of the national communist organization. Montenegro also holds assembly and presidential elections on Dec. 9.

The Serbian polls were regarded as the most important of all of the republic elections because of the impact they would have on Yugoslavia's political future.

Milosevic, seeking to consolidate his power, has been fanning Serbian nationalist passions for the past three years, reigniting fears of Serbian domination of the federation that were held in check by strong central communist rule.

As a result, voters in the two other major republics, Croatia and Slovenia, in April elected nationalist governments, which are now advocating secession from Yugoslavia unless the federation is converted into a confederation of independent states.

Milosevic refused to negotiate with Slovenia and Croatia and said he would not accept confederation unless Serbia was given Serbian-inhabited enclaves in other parts of the country.

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(NOV. 23) UPI - Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Nov. 23:

. City	Local Time	Temp F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	41	05
Amsterdam cy	1pm	35	02
Ankara pc	3pm	63	17
Athens cy	2pm	69	20
Auckland pc	12m	60	16
Beijing hz	8pm	47	08
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin r	1pm	36	02
Bonn r	1pm	35	01
Brussels cy	1pm	32	00
Cairo c	2pm	78	25
Casablanca pc	12n	64	17
Copenhagen cy	1pm	38	03
Dakar cy	12n	79	26
Dublin r	1pm	46	08
Geneva cy	1pm	40	04

Helsinki cy	2pm	30	00
Hong Kong c	8pm	71	21
Jerusalem c	2pm	74	23
Karachi	5pm	-	-
Lisbon c	1pm	58	14
London r	1pm	41	05
Madrid c	1pm	48	08
Malta pc	1pm	72	22
Manila pc	8pm	84	29
Moscow s	3pm	25	-03
Nairobi cy	3pm	75	24
Nassau c	7am	63	17
New Delhi pc	6pm	74	23
Nice c	1pm	57	14
Oslo c	1pm	18	-07
Paris fy	1pm	35	01
Pretoria pc	2pm	85	29
Riyadh	3pm	80	27
Rome r	1pm	58	14
Seoul c	9pm	44	07
Sofia pc	2pm	56	13
Stockholm cy	1pm	33	00
Sydney cy	10pm	65	18
Taipei pc	8pm	69	20
Tokyo c	9pm	51	10
Tunis pc	1pm	65	18
Vienna cy	1pm	59	15
Warsaw r	1pm	37	03
Latin America			
Buenos Aires pc	9am	79	26
Caracas	8am	-	-
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	64	17
Mexico City hz	6am	54	12
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	78	25
Santiago c	8am	59	15
Canada			
Calgary		--	-
Edmonton		--	-
Montreal cy		44	06
Ottawa		--	-
Regina		--	-
Toronto pc		55	12
Vancouver		--	-
Winnipeg cy		22	-05

c-clear

cy-cloudy

d-dust

fy-foggy

hz-haze

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

s-snow

w-windy

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(NOV. 23) UPI - Share prices eased slightly Friday on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in slow trading that concentrated on blue chip stocks. The Tokyo Stock Exchange was closed for a national holiday in Japan.

In Hong Kong, the benchmark Hang Seng Index dropped 7.02 points to end the day at 3016.06. The loss followed a gain of 9.42 points Thursday.

''There wasn't much action out there today,'' said Herman Lam of Asia Equity. ''The market was lifted by late buying of Hong Kong Bank, but the volume was extremely low.''

Utilities were up 0.83, Financials gained 8.89, Industrials fell 14.69 and Properties sank 25.57

Prices edged higher in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange as investors awaited Wall Street's reaction to the resignation of Britain's Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

Trading was quiet with most institutions staying on the sidelines with holidays in the United States and in Tokyo.

The Straits Times Industrial Index rose 1.23 to 1128.80. The All Singapore Index rose 0.54 to 313.90. Volume was 21.19 million shares.

In Bangkok, prices slipped in thin trading for the fourth consecutive day Friday, with the Securities Exchange of Thailand index dropping 3.33 points to close at 638.95. Volume was described as extremely light.

''The cabinet reshuffle did not make the market any better because it was seen

as only a temporary way of solving the problem,'' said Pichai Ponghairoj, first senior vice president from Phatra Thanakit Co.

Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan reshuffled his cabinet Thursday, but the changes were more limited than expected and did not remove ministers who have had conflicts with the military.

''Investors are still uncertain of the government's stability and this decreases their interest in stocks,'' Pichai said.

Elsewhere around the region, in Manila, stocks closed lower on the Manila Stock Exchange for the third straight session. The Manila Composite Stock Index of 25 selected issues shed 10 points to 643.75.

In Taipei, stocks closed higher on the Taiwan Stock Exchange. The Taiwan Weighted Index jumped 312.32 points to 4,926.39.

In Seoul, stocks closed slightly higher on the Korean Stock Exchange. The Korean Composite Stock Index rose 0.16 point to 679.99.

Meanwhile in Wellington, stock prices closed higher in light trading on the New Zealand Stock Exchange.

The Barclays Share-Price Index gained 5.99 points to 1,306.37.

In Sydney, prices closed slightly lower on the Sydney Stock Exchange. The All Ordinaries Index fell 1.9 points to 1366.6. Holidays in Tokyo and New York kept investors on the sidelines, observers said.

The All Industrials Index fell 0.5 point to 2067.7 and the All Resources Index lost 2.1 points to 824.7.

Volume was a light 58 million shares.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $383.40, silver base of $4.17 and platinum price of $422.90:

	Friday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$399.20	392.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	204.80	201.60
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.20	103.50
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.40	42.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	399.20	392.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	204.80	201.60

Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.70	104.00
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.40	42.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	405.60	399.20
China Panda .50 troy oz.	208.00	205.70
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.40	106.70
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.80	46.10
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.00	27.50
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	399.30	393.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	204.00	200.80
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.10	101.50
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.40	43.70
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	398.20	390.30
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	206.10	202.40
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.80	103.90
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	44.20
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	398.10	390.30
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	204.70	200.90
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.80	86.30
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	44.70
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.20	23.80
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.59	$5.51
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,210	$3,150
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,325
Platinum		
Australian Koala	447.00	429.00
Isle of Man Noble	444.00	425.00
Canada Maple Leaf	456.00	436.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (NOV. 23) UPI - Masked gunmen Friday opened fire with automatic weapons on a police patrol car on a rural road in Yugoslavia's western republic of Croatia, killing one officer and wounding a second, officials said.

Officials in the Croatian capital of Zagreb, 240 miles west of Belgrade, said the motive was under investigation and no arrests had been made in the

pre-dawn attack against the officers, who were said to have been Serbs.

Croatian Interior Minister Josip Boljkovac, however, implied that authorities believed the three gunmen were extremists of the republic's Serbian minority, who in August declared autonomy for Croatia's Serbian enclaves.

The attack occurred at about 2 a.m. outside the Serbian-dominated town of Benkovac, 150 miles south of Zagreb, when three masked gunmen ambushed a police car on routine patrol, raking it with automatic weapons fire, officials said.

Two officers sustained serious wounds, one of whom later died in a hospital, officials said. They said a third officer in the car was unhurt.

The gunmen dragged the officers out of the vehicle, stole their weapons and drove away in the car, officials said. The vehicle was later found abandoned.

Speaking to the Croatian Assembly in Zagreb, Boljkovac said the dead officer was ''the first victim of the highwaymen to die while performing his duty.''

Boljkovac's use of ''highwaymen'' appeared to refer to armed Serbian extremists who have been manning road barricades around Benkovac and several nearby Serbian-dominated towns since Serbs voted in August to authorize their leaders to declare autonomy for Croatia's 600,000 Serbs.

The Serbian National Council, headquartered in the town of Knin, issued the declaration after three days of clashes erupted between Serbs and Croatian police in October, charging that Serbs were being persecuted by the republic's government.

The Croatian administration, formed in May by Croatian nationalists after multi-party elections, alleged the council's action was part of a plot instigated by the communist government of the rival Serbian republic.

The two republics are home to Yugoslavia's two main ethnic groups, which have long harbored hatred for each other. Tensions between the 8.5 million Serbs and 4.6 million Croatians have been rekindled by politicians seeking to exploit a power vacuum left by the demise of strong central communist rule in January.

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HUDSON, Ohio (NOV. 23) UPI - As America heads into the holiday shopping period, the big question is what item to buy.

Americans will spend some $12.75 billion on toys this year. But after purchasing a toy, there often is the question of whether it was the right item.

Pat Belby, manager of research and child development for The Little Tikes Co., a Hudson-based manufacturer of plastic toys, offers tips on choosing the right toy. Her years as director of the company's on-site child care center, has given her several ideas on how to shop for the toys.

-Shop Early. Begin your toy search as early as possible while the shelves are still well stocked. When the stores are less crowded, you'll have more time to evaluate and compare.

-Ask Around. It's helpful to talk to other parents and find out what toys their children enjoy most.

-Read. Purchase consumer reports and write the Federal Consumer Products Safety Commission for a free brochure on toy safety.

-Safety First. Your first priority is safety. Stay away from toys with sharp edges, protrusions and pinch points. Look for well made toys.

-Comparison Shop. Compare all similar products to determine the best quality product and compare points of difference between them. Try to buy toys that will last over time.

-Stimulation. Select toys that stimulate your child's mind and body. Look for variety in shapes, activities and color. Toys with multi- purposes - toys that allow for more than one activity are best.

-The Right Fit. Judge whether the toy is the right scale for your child. Use the age recommendations on the packaging as practical guidelines.

-Just Like Mom. Toys based on familiar objects are always popular - children love to copy what grown-ups are doing, especially if the equipment they use is a small version of the real thing.

-Who's Boss. A child tends to enjoy a toy more if he or she is in the driver's seat and can make decisions while playing.

-Proper Supervision. Parents need to properly introduce their child to new toys. This provides the perfect opportunity to set guidelines and parameters for play.

-Masterful Play. Toys should bring some level of success when first tried. If a child does not have skills or dexterity to make a toy work the first time, he or she may become frustrated and abandon all efforts.

-Add On. Toys that complement existing ones will extend play opportunities - a new accessory will add another dimension to the doll house.

-Maintenance. Check your child's toys regularly to make sure everything is in perfect order. Broken equipment must be repaired immediately or removed.

-Call Direct. If you have any questions about a toy, or where to buy it, call the manufacturer direct. Many toy companies have 800 numbers.

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OTTAWA (NOV. 23) UPI - Canada's Finance Department and central bank already are gearing up for Quebec's possible secession, including monetary union between English and French-speaking Canada, a leading Quebec economist said Friday.

Pierre Fortin, economics professor at the University of Quebec in Montreal, said in a telephone interview the Finance Department was calculating Quebec's share of the national debt, estimated to be $400 billion, while the Bank of Canada was considering a future monetary union.

''They are doing their homework. Competent managers should be prepared to face the worst scenario,'' Fortin said.

Fortin estimated Quebec would be responsible for 23 percent or 24 percent of the national debt, but would get credit for its share of about $120 billion worth of federal buildings and other assets scattered across the country.

''There is a stunning ignorance outside Quebec of what is happening,'' Fortin said, adding that nearly 65 percent of Quebecers now favor sovereignty. ''There's a big train coming and the momentum of that train is very strong,'' he said.

A spokesman for the Department of Finance in Ottawa said he was unaware of any special project concerning Quebec's possible autonomy but did not rule out the possibility the government was working on it.

A spokesperson for the Bank of Canada said: ''The only thing I can tell you is the bank keeps up on different points of view.''

A commission sponsored by the Quebec government, which is to report next spring on the province's political and constitutional future, is expected to call for sweeping changes in Quebec's relationship with Canada.

Fortin said the commission, which is conducting public hearings throughout the province, is hearing mainly from those who want the province to separate or believe it should be far more automonous.

He said the commission probably would urge Quebec to negotiate autonomy over the environment, justice, communications, education, health and culture.

''These are very profound changes,'' he said.

Quebec, which rejected separation in a historic 1981 referendum, has been reconsidering the question since the defeat in June of the so- called Meech Lake accord, a proposed constitutional amendment that would have given the province broad powers to promote and protect its French language and culture.

The amendment required the consent of all ten provinces, but two refused to endorse it. Quebec took the defeat as a rejection of French- speaking Canadians.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 23) UPI - Retailers looking to cut their theft losses would do well to leave the customers alone and keep a wary eye on their own employees, according to a new survey.

Employee theft accounts for seven times more revenue loss for retailers than shoplifting, said the annual loss-prevention survey by Ernst & Young, released Friday.

The survey, ''An Ounce of Prevention,'' showed retailers reported $2.2 billion in 1989 theft losses, an average of $21 million for the 160 companies responding and an increase of 10 percent compared to 1988.

''The average recovery per employee apprehended was $1,350, compared to an average of just $196 recovered from each customer taken into custody, even though 93 percent of those apprehended were customers,'' said Gerald Smith, who heads the firm's retail group in Chicago.

Smith said it's not just a ''front door-back door'' problem as employees learn how to manipulate the sales system to steal both money and merchandise.

The survey said 45 percent of thefts were detected at the point-of- sale, the cash register.

Common methods of employee theft included ringing up a sale and then voiding it, doing a phony return and undercharging friends for merchandise. About 10 percent of the thefts were reported in the stock area.

''At a time like this with retail sales slowing down, it's more important than ever for retailers to find ways to save money,'' Smith said. ''By reducing losses caused by thefts, retailers can help offset sluggish sales to some degree.

Drug abuse contributed to employee theft, with more than 50 percent reporting evidence of drug use by those apprehended. Those retailers estimated 30

percent of customer apprehensions and 25 percent of employee arrests were drug-related.

In 1989 retailers spent $2.5 million, on average, to combat shrinkage, or loss by theft, 20 percent more than in 1988.

The survey was co-sponsored by the International Mass Retail Association.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (NOV. 23) UPI - Student outcry over sexual assaults on women and anonymously posted lists of alleged male rapists on bathroom walls has prompted Brown University to require special orientation seminars starting next fall for freshmen, an official said Friday.

The Ivy League university will also see to it that every student who comes forward with an assault or harassment complaint is provided with a trained advocate who will follow their case through, said Robert Reichley, executive vice president.

''The fact of the matter is there have been many mechanisms by which woman who have suffered any kind of assault or harassment could bring their case forward '' Reichley said.

''What we are trying to do most is make sure that henceforth ... we are going to, in addition, provide an advocate. That person will be there to provide help and counseling to whoever wishes to pursue a case, '' he said.

The steps are being taken in the wake of a stormy forum on campus last week in which members of the audience - most of them women - criticized university officials for being insensitive and indifferent to the issues of sexual assault and harassment.

Much of the controversy that led to the forum came from an anonymously authored ''rape list'' that has appeared repeatedly on the walls of bathrooms on campus.

The list has contained as many as 30 names of male students who women allege raped them. In turn, men who have been named have complained to the university though administration officials say there is little they can do because the charges against them have been made anonymously.

Reichley said the university sympathizes with the anger that women on campus feel, but he said the school in no way condones the list. Janitors have been scrubbing the list away when they find it and will continue to do so, he said.

''It is no more fair and just for women to write on a wall accusing men of a

serious crime, and to do so anonymously, than it is for men to write the names of women on restroom walls and suggest they are available,'' Reichley said.

Reichley said the university will issue a lengthier announcement Monday on steps it plans to take regarding sexual assault and harassment on campus.

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WARSAW, POLAND (NOV. 23) UPI - Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki said Friday that Poland is unable to service its foreign debt and called on the West, including the United States, to help the government's bold reforms with extra aid for the next two years.

Opening a one-day conference of the Group of 24, the world's most developed countries, Mazowiecki said Poland made substantial progress last year but needs more help to turn its communist economic system into a capitalist one.

He said inflation dropped from 80 percent in January to 4 percent in November and the country has a surplus $3.5 billion in its foreign trade budget.

''We are closer to a market economy,'' he said.

But he said Poles paid a high price for the progress: industrial production dropped 23 percent, real wages 33 percent and unemployment topped 1 million.

Mazowiecki said a primary concern is his government's inability to service its $42 billion foreign debt.

Poland was granted a moratorium on interest payments until March 1 and the debt is expected to rise to $46 billion by Dec. 31.

''We are unable to pay $4 billion as the debt service, which makes 40 percent of Poland's export income,'' the premier said.

He made no concrete proposal but stressed, ''It is a necessity to lessen the duty dealing with the debt servicing.''

In his address to Parliament Thursday, Mazowiecki said President Bush sent him a letter in which he promised to cancel part of Poland's debt to the United States.

Witold Trzeciakowski, minister in charge of economic affairs, said Poland's needs are high because practically all branches of the economy have to be restructured.

''The Group of 24 will shape Poland's future,'' Trzeciakowski said, noting that Poland is a laboratory for the rest of Eastern Europe.

Trzeciakowski said Poland is planning to speed up privatization of state-owned plants and joked that even British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, who resigned Thursday, did it too slowly in her country.

''If we followed that pace, we would privatize our plants in the next 446 years,'' he said.

Brussels was the site for previous meetings of G-24, which agreed last year to provide economic aid to the emerging democracies in Eastern Europe. This meeting was held in Warsaw to allow the ambassadors of the 24 countries to listen to Polish needs.

Representatives of the World Bank, International Monetary Fund and the new European Bank for Reconstruction and Development also took part in the conference.

The conference was not expected to take definitive decisions but only to hear of Poland's priorities for the next two years.

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BEIRUT, LEBANON (NOV. 23) UPI - The Christian hardline Lebanese Forces militia Friday gathered its forces and weapons as a prelude to leaving east Beirut as Lebanese Army troops were poised to take over the last militia stronghold in the city, security sources said.

More than 800 LF militiamen in military fatigues and carrying machine guns assembled at the militia headquarters in the seaside area of Karantina, witnesses said.

Security sources said 200 military vehicles will be withdrawn to the Christian heartland of Kesrouwan in northern Beirut during the night.

''We have evacuated some positions and we will complete assembling our forces within the coming 48 hours,'' said an LF source.

The source said the evacuation will go simultaneously with the deployment of Army units in the neighborhoods of Ashrafiyeh and Karantina.

The militia agreed Thursday to relinquish its east Beirut strongholds after intensive negotiations with the government of Syrian-backed President Elias Hrawi.

Under their agreement, offices of the LF and Phalange Party that have been occupied in the Metn area by pro-Syrian Christian militiamen since the Oct. 13 ouster of Gen. Michel Aoun were handed over early Friday.

The LF was the military wing of the Phalange Party that was founded by Pierre Gemayel in 1936.

The move met some conditions by the militia commander, Samir Geagea, to facilitate a government plan to demilitarize and unify the war-torn capital.

Hrawi's government had set Nov. 19 as a deadline for the withdrawal of all militias and deployment of the Lebanese Army to maintain law-and- order in unified capital.

But Geagea has linked disbanding of his militia in east Beirut to the presence of rival militiamen from the breakaway Lebanese Forces militia of Elie Hobeika and the Syrian Social National Party.

Geagea, a Maronite, also demanded that troops from the army's mainly Maronite Fifth Brigade be deployed inside Ashrafiyeh.

The army commander, Gen. Emile Lahoud, expressed opposition to any army deployment involving sectarian considerations.

The estimated 35,000-man Lebanese army was split along sectarian lines as a result of the 15-year civil war, but Lahoud has appeared bent on injecting nationalistic spirit among the war-battered regulars.

Security sources said law and security in the Christian areas will be entrusted to the mainly Shiite Sixth Brigade, the largely Sunni Second Brigade and the Maronite Fifth Bridage.

The sources said a joint team of Lebanese and Syrian officers crossed to Ashrafiyeh to inspect positions which would be manned by the Lebanese soldiers after the takeover.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Ivana Trump has temporarily blocked husband Donald's chances of selling or borrowing against the three homes they shared in happier days, it was learned Friday.

Manhattan Supreme Court Judge Phyllis Gangel-Jacob issued a temporary restraining order against the financially embattled real estate tycoon earlier this week in answer to a petition by his estranged wife, according to court records.

Ivana, who filed for divorce earlier this month, requested the order to prevent her husband from selling their Trump Tower apartment in New York, their country mansion in Greenwich, Conn., and their Palm Beach, Fla., resort

home or borrowing against them to obtain needed funds.

Trump must appear in Supreme Court Dec. 4 to present arguments as to why control of the three properties should not be taken from him.

Ivana's attorney has said she wants half Trump's assets as a divorce settlement instead of the $25 million provided by a pre-marital agreement, which may now be moot. Trump, once believed to be worth $1.7 billion, now is debt due to business reverses.

Trump's attorney, Stanley Lotwin, denied that Trump planned to sell any of the couple's homes despite reports that at least one of them, the $12 million Mar-A-Lago estate in Palm Beach, has been shown to potential buyers. The 8-acre waterfront estate was built by cereal heiress Marjorie Post in the 1920s.

Also named in Gangel-Jacob's order is a Trump Tower triplex apartment valued at $5 million and probably worth more, and a $7 million Greenwich, Conn., mansion used by the Trumps for weekends. Ivana has been living in the triplex and visiting the Greenwich property regularly with her three children since she separated from her husband in January amid reports of his relationship with aspiring actress Marla Maples.

Trump negotiated a deal last week with bondholders to save his Taj Mahal gambling facility in Atlantic City, N.J., from bankruptcy by letting the bond holders in on control of the casino-hotel, which must take in $1 million a week to break even and has been grossing much less.

His remaining assets include two other Atlantic City casinos, New York's Hotel Plaza, the Trump Princess yacht, and a condo complex that has failed to sell out in Palm Beach. He also owns the largest privately held plot of undeveloped land in Manhattan, a West Side property where he once planned to build a towering ''television city.''

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(NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush and Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak held two hours of crucial talks today in Cairo on the Persian Gulf crisis. Afterwards, Mubarak told reporters he supported the military option against Iraq. But Mubarak, who last week said Egyptian troops would NOT be used in any attack against Iraq, failed to say whether his own forces would help U-S-led troops oust Iraq from Kuwait.

Bush and Secretary of State Baker are in a race against time to try to line up the 15 U-N Security Council members to support military sanctions against Iraq if necessary. After his meeting with Mubarak, Bush flies to Geneva, Switzerland, this morning to huddle with Syria's President Hafez Assad before

heading back to Washington. Assad, a passionate foe of Iraq's Saddam Hussein, has contributed seven-thousand troops to the multinational force in Saudi Arabia.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and his Chinese counterpart ended an unexpected meeting in western China today with a renewed call for Iraq to withdraw immediately from Kuwait. Both the Soviet Union and China appear to be backing down from earlier objections to the use of military force. But after today's 90-minute talks between the Soviet and Chinese foreign ministers, China's official news agency declined to say whether Qian Qichen committed China to support of a U-N resolution authorizing military force against Iraq.

British Prime Minister Thatcher's resignation is drawing worldwide reactions of both admiration and relief. Leaders from the United States to the Soviet Union to Japan and Israel expressed regret that Thatcher is stepping down. But others were not quite so diplomatic. The secretary-general of Germany's Conservative Christian Union said the the time is right for her to step down. And in Argentina, which lost a war to Britain in the 1980's, President Carlos Menem warned Argentines not to ''delude themselves'' into thinking Britain will be more flexible now that Thatcher is leaving office.

Japan's new emperor today completed his ascension to the throne in a shrouded pre-dawn religious ceremony in Tokyo. The six-hour ritual began last night and was capped by Akihito's offering newly harvested rice to a mythical sun goddess in a ceremony witnessed by only two court maids assisting him. Earlier this month, the 56-year-old emperor proclaimed to the world his ascension to Japan's Chrysanthemum Throne in an elaborate public ceremony witnessed by representatives of 158 nations and Millions of Japanese watching on live television.

An American computer lecturer who could face execution under Malaysia's harsh drug laws testified at his drug trial today in Kuala Lumpur that he used marijuana as a pain reliever for injuries he had suffered as a youth. 38-year-old Kerry Wiley told the court he had read and kept data on the medicinal value of marijuana. The California man was arrested a year ago after customs officers raided his house in a suburb of Kuala Lumpur and found nine-point-four ounces of marijuana in six tin cans.

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LAKE CITY, PA (NOV. 23) UPI - The mother of a serviceman stationed in Saudi Arabia says her son was taken to task for taking his guitar when he reported for active duty. But a soldier can spend only so much time filling sandbags and building bunkers, and music is much in demand.

Army Cpl. Norman Dale Ritchey directs howitzer fire for the 18th Corps of the Army's 82nd Airborne Division. A budding musician, he decided on impulse to

take his acoustic guitar with him when he was sent to the Middle East as part of Operation Desert Shield 2 1/2 months ago.

''I've been playing the heck out of my guitar,'' Ritchey wrote to his family on Oct. 15. ''From the sounds of things, I must have the only guitar within 1,500 miles of here.''

Ritchey, who celebrated his 25th birthday Monday, was sent to Saudi Arabia ahead of most of his unit. He saw an opportunity to pack his instrument when he was helping to load a truck.

But Ritchey paid a price for doing so. Louise Ritchey said her son's punishment included having to shave his head and do 14 extra days of duty. He also had to play for chaplain services one Sunday - a lighter side of his punishment.

The guitar has become a fixture of tent life for soldiers who have a few free hours during evenings.

''... Me and a few other guys sit around, sing songs and make up songs about our commander,'' Ritchey wrote. ''Sounds corny but it's either that or 500 rummy and cards get real boring after six or seven hundred hands.''

Mrs. Ritchey said her son operates a computer, directing soldiers who fire howitzers. During the days, his unit has been filling sandbags, building bunkers and practicing artillery fire.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) UPI - As many Americans take pause this time of year to give thanks for what they have, New York vagrants are asking the nation's highest court to grant them one special wish: the right to beg in the city's subway system.

A group of the city's poorest residents, in a class-action suit, claim 1989 regulations prohibiting panhandling but allowing other forms of charitable solicitation in the massive subway system violates their First Amendment right to free speech and their 14th Amendment guarantee to equal protection.

The Supreme Court could announce as early as Monday whether it will review the case or let the ban on begging stand.

Twenty-five states have statutes restricting begging. Homeless rights advocates contend the subway case is another government effort to deny a growing national problem.

The New York City Transit Authority says the ban was implemented to improve

safety for the 3.5 million people who pay to use the 468-station subway system daily, noting that its own study showed most riders had been intimidated into giving money to beggars.

Others claim if similar sorts of speech are permitted in the subway system, begging cannot be indiscriminately banned.

The transit agency, backed by the state of New York, ''singled out begging for disfavored treatment because of their conviction that a stranger's request for money for herself is inherently threatening and intimidating, while a stranger's request for money for someone else is not,'' wrote the Legal Action Center for the Homeless, counsel for the panhandlers.

''In (the transit agency's) view the words 'give to me' are alarming but the words 'give to my charity' are innocuous,'' the group wrote in its appeal to the high court. ''It is difficult to imagine a clearer example of a regulation that accords 'preferential treatment' to the expression of views on one particular subject.''

The National Coalition for the Homeless, which says that in New York alone more than 250,000 adults suffer from chronic hunger, claims if the regulations are allowed to stand, it would open the way for states and locales to ban begging in a wider range of circumstances.

''The First Amendment does not permit the governmental suppression of unwelcome news or repugnant ideas,'' the group told the high court. ''The same First Amendment that protects the right of one to burn our national flag and wear obscene expressions, despite the effect on others, must surely protect the disabled person who rattles a coin in a cup, and does no more than speak to passersby. The government simply has no business choosing which speech it shall allow, based solely on how uncomfortable the message makes the listener.''

The transit agency says allowing peaceful solicitation for charities, which does not interfer with a passenger's ''safety or comfort,'' should not in turn require it to support begging that it has found to be ''inherently intimidating to subway users.''

That view was upheld by the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. The class-action suit was appealed to the high court, which has the option of accepting the case and deciding it on its merits, or rejecting it out of hand, which would let the begging prohibition stand.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses,

total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Colorado (45) (10-1-1)	804	2
2.	Miami (3) (7-2)	700	3
3.	Georgia Tech (4) (9-0-1)	658	5
4.	Brigham Young (2) (9-1)	604	4
5.	Texas (1) (8-1)	601	6
6.	Nebraska (9-1)	490	9
7.	Washington (9-2)	469	8
8.	Notre Dame (8-2)	448	1
9.	Florida State (8-2)	442	10
10.	Penn State (8-2)	304	14
11.	Iowa (8-2)	283	12
12.	Tennessee (6-2-2)	263	13
13.	Clemson (9-2)	136	15
14.	Virginia (8-2)	105	7
15.	Michigan (7-3)	97	16
16.	Southern Cal (8-2-1)	38	19
17.	(tie) Mississippi (8-2)	31	11
17.	(tie) Ohio State (7-2-1)	31	18
19.	Louisville (9-1-1)	27	17
20.	Illinois (7-3)	14	24
21.	Auburn (7-2-1)	12	21
22.	Texas A&M (7-2-1)	10	20
23.	(tie) San Jose St. (8-2-1)	9	NR
23.	(tie) Michigan St. (6-3-1)	9	21
25.	Baylor (6-3-1)	5	NR

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: Alabama, Louisiana Tech, Oregon, Southern Mississippi.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances or postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches.

Those schools are Florida, Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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(NOV. 23) UPI - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak says he supports a military

option against Iraq. Mubarak told reporters at a welcoming ceremony for President Bush in Cairo that ''there is NOT the slightest movement'' from Iraq on the standoff.

First lady Barbara Bush says she's going to ask Santa Claus to bring peace. Mrs. Bush, accompanying her husband on an international tour on the Persian Gulf crisis, made the comment to a curious five-year-old at an Egyptian children's library in Cairo today.

Britain is beefing up its force in the Persian Gulf. Defense Secretary Tom King says Britain will send 14-thousand additional troops to the region... raising the size of the British force to more than 30- thousand.

Philippine President Aquino today rejected a request by Kuwait's exiled government for military aid. A senior aide says Aquino told a special envoy of the exiled leaders that Philippine troops are needed at home to maintain order.

Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov is threatening to resign if the Soviet Parliament approves President Gorbachev's government reorganization plan today.

Some members of parliament have demanded Ryzhkov's resignation because they blame him for slowing economic reforms and allowing the Soviet Union to slip into crisis after crisis. The plan gives Gorbachev expanded powers by placing government ministries under his control.

The Soviet news agency Tass reports that five miners were killed when they hit an unexpected pocket of methane gas while drilling at a coal mine in western Siberia. Tass says the accident occurred last night. A state panel is investigating.

In South Africa, authorities are digging through tons of collapsed rock in search of two gold miners missing after an accident killed five other minors yesterday. Officials say the rockfall was triggered by a small tremor in a shaft more than a mile beneath the surface.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 71.50-72.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 123.62-127.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 37.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $205.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $415.00-$425.00; dealer- approx., $416.75-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 294.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (NOV. 23) UPI - The ruling communists and the alliance of federal Prime Minister Ante Markovic suffered severe defeats in the first

round of polls for a new government and assembly in Yugoslavia's Bosnia-Herzegovina republic, official results showed Friday.

The results of polling Nov. 18 said parties representing the republic's three major ethnic groups won posts on the seven-man collective presidency and the largest shares of seats in the bicameral legislature.

About 75 percent of 3 million eligible voters cast ballots in the opening round of the republic's first multi-party elections since the communist takeover of Yugoslavia at the end of World War II in 1945.

Under the republic's election rules, the 130-member Chamber of Citizens was chosen in its entirety in the first round, with no party receiving a majority.

Officials in the capital of Sarajevo said the Party of Democratic Action, which represents the republic's Moslems, won 42 seats, followed by the Serbian Democratic Party with 36 seats and the Croatian Democratic Union with 20 seats.

The ruling communists secured only 12 seats, while the Alliance of Democratic Forces, formed by Markovic to promote his Western-style economic and political reforms, had 11 seats. Independents won nine seats.

In the contests for the state presidency, the Moslem, Serbian and Croatian parties won two seats each and the seventh went to a candidate claiming Yugoslav nationality.

Second-round voting will be held Dec. 2 in 55 races for the 110-seat Chamber of Municipalities, where no party won more than 50 percent of the first-round votes.

Officials said that in the first round, the Serbian Democratic Party won 25 seats, the Party of Democratic Action took 17 seats and the Croatian Democratic Union secured 13 seats.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 23) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs were unavailable on Friday due to technical problems.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Broadway star Lee Roy Reams is bringing a special brand of showmanship to cabaret with a musical biography that takes him from Covington, Ky., to the top of the entertainment world.

Currently appearing at the Rainbow and Stars, the 65th floor Rockefeller Center aerie, Reams conveys all the vitality and personal charm in his nightly concert that he demonstrated for seven years in ''42nd Street'' in the lead role of Billy Lawlor.

One of his opening songs, ''Song and Dance Man,'' written for him by Cheryl Hardwick, reminds us that he is one of the great song and dance men of this generation, even though dance is not a part of his cabaret program.

However, his movements in the tiny space allotted performers at Rainbow and Stars are so choreographed that we get the effect of dancing.

Reams starts with his star-struck boyhood in Kentucky, living just across the river from culturally rich Cincinnati, and takes us on a tour of a career that included a stint as ''Little Lee Roy'' at Grand Ole Opry (recalled by a song titled ''Y'All Come'') and appearances in ''Sweet Charity'' and ''Applause'' on Broadway before ''42nd Street'' made him a star.

''Top of the world, Ma!'' he exclaims, motioning to the panoramic skyline beyond the windows of Rainbow and Stars, which is often literally in the clouds. He then launches into ''The Rose,'' a song dedicated to his ''mama.''

''No matter where I'm performing, I still think of myself as a child in Covington,'' he says with no trace of embarrassment.

He is a child who grew up handsome in a 1920s vaudeville headliner way, always ready with a naughty wink. He has a penchant for imitating such oft-imitated showbiz ladies as Marlene Dietrich, Tallulah Bankhead, Mae West, and Carol Channing, with whom he toured in ''Dolly.'' He even sits on the piano for a rendition of ''I Only Have Eyes for You.''

Reams ends his show with the title song of ''La Cage aux Folles,'' a show in which he has played the Albin-Zaza role. Although he flaunts a red ostrich feather boa and assumes a suggestive air, he is never campy, a tribute to the innate good taste that instructs his entire performance.

He sings 20-odd songs, accompanied by Keith Thompson on the piano, Michael Berkovitz on drums and Jared Egin on bass, looking very much the boulevardier in dinner jacket and red pocket handkerchief. His patter is witty and intimate and he is at his best in Stephen Sondheim's insinuating, romantic ballad, ''Pretty Women,'' from ''Sweeney Todd.''

Other highlights are an Irving Berlin medley ending with ''Always,'' which Reams notes was written for the composer's wife, Ellin Mackay Berlin, and such Broadway paeans as Harry Warren's ''Lullaby of Broadway'' and Arthur Freed's ''Broadway Rhythm.''

He gets the most out of two beautiful songs about friendship, ''Dear Friend,''

by Jerry Bock and Sheldon Harnick and ''My Old Friend'' by Gretchen Cryer and Nancy Ford. His most heartfelt moments comes in the latter with the words, ''We wonder why we do it and the pain of getting through it...''

This is Reams's first New York night club appearance in seven years and should not be missed by anyone interested in exceptional cabaret entertainment.

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(NOV. 23) UPI - Saying they are losing their patience with Iraq's Saddam Hussein , President Bush and Egyptian leader Hosni Mubarak today announced they're in ''complete'' agreement on the Persian Gulf crisis. The two leaders emerged from two- and-a-half hours of talks in Cairo talking tough about dealing with Saddam. Bush said they've NOT given up on a peaceful solution, but he said ''steps must be taken'' to remove Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Mubarak fully endorsed Bush's proposal to keep military force as an option against Iraq. But the Egyptian leader sidestepped questions on whether Egyptian troops would be sent to fight alongside the multi- national forces. Said Mubarak- ''I'm NOT in a position to tell you the details. But we have our plan coordinated with all the forces there.''

The Cambodian government says it has ruled out any reduction or disarmament of troops in a U-N peace settlement because the Khmer Rouge resistance group shouldn't be trusted. The government, backed by its major allies Vietnam and the Soviet Union, issued a joint statement today just before the opening of talks in Paris between the five permanent members of the U-N Security Council on their efforts to end Cambodia's 12-year conflict.

In Yugoslavia, major opposition groups in the republic of Serbia say they'll boycott the state's first multi-party elections since 1945. The reason, they say, is because of the ruling communists' refusal to allow them to participate in the vote-counting process. Representatives of at least seven major opposition groups announced their decision to withdraw from the December 9th contests at a news conference today.

Aviation experts in Thailand today began an official investigation into the cause of the crash of a domestic airliner that killed 38 people, mostly foreign tourists. The probe comes as a special Air Force plane carried the bodies of 36 of the victims to Bangkok for further identification and autopsy. The airliner operated by Bangkok Airways crashed Wednesday evening in a coconut grove on a resort island about 300 miles south of Bangkok.

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MILWAUKEE (NOV. 23) UPI - A California law professor is in Wisconsin to

fulfill his dream of becoming the first person to visit every county in the United States.

John Black, 64, who teaches at Western State University College of Law in Fullerton, Calif., left Milwaukee Friday and had 12 more counties in the state to hit before finally arriving Saturday in Ozaukee County.

When he croses the county line into Ozaukee County, he will wrap up a sojourn through the nation's counties that began in 1965.

''I've been into geography ever since I was a little kid,'' he said. ''The thing that has made this such an adventure is the people I've met, not the places I've seen.''

Black said he believes he will be the first to visit every county in the United States, more than 3,100 of them. Black once headed the United States Travel Service.

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LONDON (NOV. 23) UPI - Normally staid and unruffled British commuters talked about it on the London Underground. Office workers partied and book- makers reported a booming trade in bets on Margaret Thatcher's successor as prime minister.

London was in the midst of an air of disbelief and celebration Friday, a resignation hangover.

Thatcher, the long-lived Iron Lady of British politics, was effectively history, and whether or not they agreed with her policies, people felt a gap in their lives - the loss of a favorite hate figure or a cherished leader.

Hundreds of bouquets were laid at the gates of Westminster during her farewell speech in the British Parliament. Fans spoke movingly of her importance as a role model, even though her political ideologies may have never made a dent in their lives.

Bookstores reported a booming trade in instant Thatcher memorabilia.

''The telephone has not stopped. It's remarkable. They want Thatcher mugs, T-shirts, postcards, anything they can get their hands on,'' said Keith Read, manager of a bookstore near Westminster.

Office workers in the city's financial district reported a festive atmosphere after Thatcher's resignation.

''We've had two days of partying in the office. A lot of it is 'ding- dong the

witch is dead' sort of stuff,'' said Julia Meehan, an analyst with a consultant firm.

Many said that Thatcher's surprise resignation Thursday morning, after announcing she would continue to fight for her Conservative Party's leadershp position the night before, would rank as one of the most memorable public moments of their lives, comparing it to the assasination of John F. Kennedy that fell by coincidence on the same date, Nov. 22.

''My first thought was, 'Gosh,''' said a 24 year-old office worker, recounting the moment when she saw the news splashed on the headlines of the mid-morning tabloids.

''I just never thought she'd go,'' she said.

Thatcher, prime minister for 11 1/2 years, and Tory party leader for 15 years, had been at the helm of British politics for as long as she could remember, she said.

The young woman felt no personal allegiance to Thatcher's brand of economic reform, but said she was sad to see her go.

''It's going to go downhill. People don't know how to run the country anymore '' she said.

In fact, the question of succession to the prime minister's position was a favorite subject, especially at the city's bookmakers, or turf accountants, in polite terminology.

The three-way contest between Conservative renegade Michael Heseltine, Chancellor John Major and Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd means booming business and the chance of a killing for bettors.

''It's always been a race where you could get a decent price for your fancy,'' said Graham Sharpe, a turf accountant at William Hill Bookmakers.

Sharpe said the odds were 3-to-1 that the race would go to the third ballot next week, and Major, the previous underdog, moved into the pole position Friday at even odds for his victory.

''There's been enormous five, ten, 50 and 100 pound interest. It goes across all areas. Everybody has an opinion,'' he said.

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GENEVA (NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush arrived Friday for an emergency meeting with Syrian leader Hafez al-Assad, a longtime adversary and suspected backer

of terrorism, about their united stand against Saddam Hussein.

The hastily called talks on neutral Swiss turf cap an eight-day European and Middle East tour by Bush, seeking global support for possible military force to free Kuwait of Saddam's Iraqi troops.

Syria, a hard-line Arab state accused by the State Department of sponsoring terrorism, has pledged to send 15,000 troops to the U.S.-led multinational force arrayed against Iraq.

Bush, who met earlier Monday in Cairo with Eygptian President Hosni Mubarak, brushed off criticism from Israel for his decision to become the first U.S. president to meet with a Syrian leader since Jimmy Carter did in 1977.

''I have no problem sitting down with him,'' said Bush. ''This relates to the reversal of aggression, not only in the interest of the United States but to every country in the Middle East and that includes Israel.''

''Mr. Assad is lined up with us on the commitment of force,'' Bush said. ''That doesn't mean we don't have differences with Syria ... but they will be on the front line.''

The meeting was arranged this week at the urging of Arab leaders.

Although relations between the United States and Syria remain strained, they have thawed noticeably since Assad committed troops to protect Saudi Arabia from a possible attack by Iraq.

The Syrian government has joined other Arab nations in condemning Iraq, but has distanced itself from suggestions that military action may have to be taken to end Iraq's nearly 4-month-old occupation of Kuwait.

Bush was expected to ask Assad how Syria would react in case of a war between U.S.-led forces and Iraq. He was also likely to seek help in obtaining the release of six American hostages thought to be held in Beirut.

The president and Mubarak, following their 2 1/2-hour talk, both expressed support for possible military force against Iraq.

Bush said he and Mubarak have not given up on a peaceful solution, but added, ''We are getting tired of the status quo and so is the rest of the world.''

Mubarak sidestepped questions on whether Egyptian troops would be sent to fight alongside multinational forces. ''I'm not in a position to tell you the details,'' he told reporters.

During the past week, Bush has found mixed support for military force.

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl told him that a greater emphasis should be placed on trying to find a negotiated settlement. Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev advocated patience.

They both said that U.N.-mandated sanctions should be given more time to pressure Saddam to peacefully withdraw from Kuwait, although they said that force should not be ruled out.

Bush has called for a U.N. hearing next week on the treatment of the Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, apparently in an effort to build support for a U.N. resolution that would authorize a military strike.

The United States holds the chairmanship of the 15-member U.N. Security Council until the end of November. The post rotates on a monthly basis and Yemen is next in line.

Yemen leaders, in a setback to the U.S. position, told Secretary of State James Baker on Thursday that they oppose the presence and possible use of force in the Persian Gulf.

During the past week, Bush made stops in Czechoslovakia, Germany, Paris, Saudi Arabia and Egypt. He also gave a Thanksgiving Day pep talk to U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf.

Senate leader Robert Dole of Kansas and House Speaker Thomas Foley of Washington, who joined Bush on his tour of U.S. troops Thursday, said Bush's trip should not be viewed as a drive toward war.

Appearing on the CBS ''This Morning'' program Friday, the two said the trek was used to fortify the United States' position and to keep options open.

Dole said Bush ''may have helped his cause'' in lining up support.

''I think it means we're prepared, we're going to be more prepared and the president's keeping his options open, as is Congress, I might add,'' Dole said.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 23) UPI - President Corazon Aquino rejected Friday a Kuwaiti request for military aid because she needs the troops to maintain order at home, but did agree to provide humanitarian aid, a senior aide said.

Aquino's position was conveyed to Yahya Fahad Al-Sumait, a special envoy of the exiled Kuwait government who called at the presidential palace, Finance Secretary Jesus Estanislao said.

''He asked if we could see our way through providing military personnel and

the statement of the president is that we're busy here with our own, thanks, while we have an excess of doctors and nurses,'' Estanislao said.

''So we're providing them humanitarian aid but we cannot provide them military aid,'' said Estanislao.

Aquino, whose government is battling rebel soldiers and communist insurgents, has announced the Philippines will send a medical team to Saudi Arabia.

Al-Sumait, who was guest at a luncheon at the palace, said he was satisfied with his meeting with Aquino but refused to publicly discuss the request for troops.

He said he delivered the message of the Kuwaiti emir to Aquino and expressed ''profound appreciation and thanks'' for the support of the Philippine government.

On Thursday, Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus told Al-Sumait the Philippines will support a U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq if a peaceful solution to the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait becomes impossible.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - The Cuban economy is so disabled that Castro's government is selling off millions of dollars worth of national art treasures to raise needed funds, it was reported Friday.

The Journal of Art, a leading art monthly, said the exportation of artworks and antiques from Cuba to Europe, strictly prohibited by Cuban law, has become a commonplace occurrence through the aegis of Cubalse, a state-run agency.

Two important works from the National Museum of Fine Arts in Havana recently were sold at Sotheby's in London for a total of $4.5 million, the magazine said. They were identified as Antonio Sorolla's ''Bulls Embarking on a Boat'' and ''Beach in Valencia,'' considered masterpieces of Spanish Impressionism.

''Ostensibly, Cubalse's primary function is enforcing the legal prohibition of art commerce with foreign nations,'' the publication said. ''However, the organization secretly deals precisely with the international dealing of artworks for profit.''

The Journal of Art said it had confirmed the existence of Cubalse and its split role through individuals associated with the Cuban embassy in Madrid, although they vehemently denied that works are dispersed by the agency for financial gain.

''Another major Cuban holding to pass through London for sale was the ''

which Christie's sold in 1988,'' the magazine reported.

''Although Cuba certainly cannot be accused of flooding the market with its cultural treasures, the frequency with which Cuban works are appearing in the international arena suggests a marked shift in the government's method of coping with its disabled economy.''

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OTTAWA (NOV. 23) UPI - The Canadian government confirmed Friday the annual deficit for the current year will be at least $1.2 billion higher than estimated in the last annual budget, mainly because of higher interest charges on its debt.

In addition, the government was short $4 billion on its spending estimates in the February budget covering the current fiscal year.

Most of the shortfall will be absorbed by various departments, among them environment, agriculture, and employment and immigration and increased tax revenues from corporations and individuals. The rest, about $1.5 billion, must be raised through additional borrowing, including new governent bond issues.

''We have decided to tighten the belt once more,'' Treasury Board Minister Gilles Loiselle told Parliament. Loiselle, who oversees departmental spending, said most of the program cuts would involve travel expenses, attending conferences and other discretionary spending.

Loiselle attributed $2.1 billion of the shortfall to increased interest charges on the country's huge national debt - the total of all previous deficits - estimated to be $315 billion. The government had forecast in its last budget that interest rates would be about 11.1 percent.

But the Bank of Canada, in its attempt to fight inflation, kept rates above 13 percent for most of the year and has only recently allowed them to fall below that level. On Thursday, the Bank of Canada set its rate at 12.25 percent.

The deficit figures give the government little room to maneuver amid the current economic recession that has hit most of Canada in the last couple of months. Specifically, there is no money for job creation programs that would help alleviate growing unemployment or the need for job retraining.

Meanwhile Friday, the government announced it was spending nearly $290 million to fund its military contribution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Canada sent a supply ship and two destroyers to the Gulf in September, along with 1800 troops.

The government also announced plans to spend $94.6 million to assist farmers hit hard to lower commodity prices and a similar amount for the country's contribution to the U.S. space station.

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#90327u0648 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush has left Cairo, heading for Geneva, Switzerland, where he's to meet with Syrian President Hafez Assad later today on settling the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush told reporters after a 19-hour visit to Egypt that Assad is- quote- ''lined up with us on the commitment of force'' to oust Iraq from Kuwait. But says Bush- ''That doesn't mean we don't have differences with Syria.''

Earlier, Bush met with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak for more than two hours after spending Thanksgiving with U-S troops in the Saudi desert. The two leaders told reporters afterward that they're losing their patience with Iraq's Saddam Hussein. They also agreed that ''steps must be taken'' to keep Saddam in check after the gulf crisis is settled.

Social activist Dick Gregory says he and his wife will fast on water and fruit juice until American troops are brought home from the Persian Gulf. The 58-year-old former comedian embarked on his latest fast yesterday at Plymouth Rock, Massachussetts... while Millions of other Americans were enjoying traditional Thanksgiving Day meals. Gregory says he's prepared for a long fast.

Divers are searching a southwest Oklahoma lake this morning for a civilian instructor missing in last night's crash of an Army Reserve helicopter. An Army spokesman says the Huey helicopter crashed in Ellsworth Lake north of Lawton during night navigation training for possible deployment to the Middle East. Five members of an Arkansas Army Reserve unit were rescued from the lake after the crash and are reported in good condition at Fort Sill hospital.

In Michigan, government investigators today are trying to determine what caused a small plane to crash near Gaylord, killing four members of a Dexter family and injuring two other people. The single-engine Piper crashed in a wooded area in Elmira Township, west of Gaylord, Thanksgiving Eve. Authorities say the plane hit a number of trees and broke into several pieces.

A furniture retailer is betting there won't be an earthquake in the Evansville Indiana, area before December 6th. Dean Bosler says many customers are waiting until after December 3rd to buy furniture because a New Mexico climatologist has predicted a major earthquake around that date in the New Madrid fault zone that includes much of Indiana. But Bosler is telling customers if they buy now and a quake hits between December 1st and December 6th, they don't have to pay.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush's warning that an Iraqi nuclear weapon may be only months away is not supported by recent assessments from experts inside and outside of the U.S. government.

Although he said no one can know when Iraq will become a nuclear power, Bush told a military audience in Saudi Arabia on Thanksgiving Day that those who estimate the time needed in terms of years ''may be seriously underestimating the reality of that situation.''

Bush thus made clear this week what he had warned about two weeks ago when he talked of ''incalculable consequences'' if Saddam Hussein were not stopped.

Leonard Spector of the Carnegie Endowment for Peace, in his recent book ''Nuclear Ambitions,'' says, ''Iraq has begun a program to build a uranium enrichment plant and to acquire components for nuclear arms, steps which could permit it to manufacture nuclear weapons within the next five to 10 years.''

A government expert, speaking on the basis of no further identification, takes a more pessimistic view. ''Whether it is one or two or five years off, Iraq is on the course for producing nuclear weapons.''

Recent evidence has come to light that Iraq this year tried, and failed, to get the kind of electronic switches and capacitors required for the precise timing for a Uranium bomb.

But a more primitive weapon, a plutonium bomb similar to the U.S. weapon dropped on Hiroshima in 1945, does not require the same kind of precise timing mechanisms and could be put together relatively quickly. But experts say it would be chancy and maybe even suicidal for Iraq to set off such a weapon without testing it first.

Once a test was detected by the United States and other nuclear powers, including Israel, they could launch a quick attack on Iraq's nuclear installations. Saddam, however, has moved some of those facilities into air raid-proof underground bunkers.

Iraq has slightly more than 25 pounds of enriched uranium fuel, enough to make one small bomb. But the Iraqi government, which has signed the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, has recently given permission for international inspection of its nuclear facilities, including the site where the uranium fuel is stored.

That is seen as a sign that Iraq is not using that French-supplied enriched fuel for a weapon, at least not yet.

More alarming to U.S. experts was an Iraqi attempt to buy sophisticated

high-temperature furnaces, known as Induction Skull Melting method devices. After an export license had been granted, the U.S. Customs Service seized the equipment in May just before it was to be sent to Iraq. The export license was later revoked.

The furnaces would be used to melt special kinds of steel that is useful in making high-speed centrifuges required for refining uranium into weapons grade fuel.

One senior administration official said that ''we are not aware of any new intelligence'' that would back up Bush's dramatic warning that Iraq may be moving faster than expected toward a nuclear weapon.

But the official said there had been an accelerated Iraqi drive to procure ''the accessories'' needed for a nuclear weapon in mid-1989. Those accessories included the furances and the electronic switches.

One worrisome element in the assessments is that scientists from another country - perhaps Pakistan or China - may have een slipping the Iraqis the necessary technology, with or without the approval of their own governments.

China is already a nuclear power and Pakistan is thought to be on the threshhold of putting together a small nuclear arsenal.

U.S. intelligence reports say that Iraq has moved most of its nuclear facilities into underground shelters, in order to prevent another air- strike such as the 1981 Israeli raid that destroyed the nuclear reactor at Osirak.

Saddam Hussein's threat in April ''to burn half of Israel'' with poison gas in case of an attack is now seen by U.S. intelligence as a warning that any pre-emptive strike on his nuclear facilities would lead to an all-out Middle East war, involving Israel.

The Bush statement Thursday is seen by U.S. experts as meaning the administration is now convinced that a simple withdrawal by Iraq from Kuwait will no longer be sufficient to fulfill U.S. objectives. Those objectives, according to officials who have followed the policy-making, now include toppling Saddam Hussein before he becomes a nuclear power.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 23) UPI - Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov said Friday he and the entire Council of Ministers will resign if the Soviet parliament approves President Mikhail Gorbachev's plan to reorganize the government.

But parliament voted to give Gorbachev two weeks to present full details of his reorganization plan to the legislators.

In the heated session Friday, the parliament also passed a state of the union resolution defining the situation as worsening, and giving Gorbachev two weeks to prepare urgent measures to improve a food supply situation.

''The situation in the country is deteriorating and is near critical, '' the state of the union resolution said, according to the official Tass news agency. ''Ethnic tensions are dangerously high and all government structures are crumbling.''

In addition, a draft of a new ''union treaty,'' which will outline the new relations between the 15 republics of the Soviet Union and the central government, was circulated among parliament deputies Friday but it was unclear when it would be ready for signing. Under the draft each republic is declared a ''sovereign state exercising full-fledged state power on its territory'' while giving the central government full powers over such things as national defense and the currency.

In an intense debate on the reorganization plan, Gorbachev said the changes in government structure were necessary to bring the central government out of its ''paralysis'' and find a way to solve the crisis facing the country.

''During this stage of decisive changes in the country, executive power at all levels, above all in the center, cannot remain paralyzed,'' Gorbachev said in response to criticism he was trying to grab excessive power. ''You need extreme measures to overcome an extreme crisis.''

The reorganization plan, given preliminary approval six days ago and subject of a lengthy debate on second reading Friday, hands Gorbachev direct control over government ministries and practically eliminates the need for a prime minister, although it does not specifically abolish the office.

''If the suggestions of the president are approved, the Council of Ministers and I, as its head, will automatically resign,'' Ryzhkov told the independent Soviet news agency Interfax Friday.

Ryzhkov's resignation has been demanded by the powerful Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin and others who blame him for slowing economic reforms and allowing the Soviet Union to slip into crisis after crisis, but Gorbachev had previously rejected the demands and stood behind Ryzhkov.

The prime minister said he was surprised by the proposal at a parliament session last Saturday to significantly consolidate Gorbachev's power by placing government ministries directly under the president's control.

''The question of reorganization of the system of governing and the resignation of the government was discussed before, but we thought it would happen only after the new union treaty was completed, that is when the ideas

of the republics were defined precisely,'' Ryzhkov said. ''The suggestions of the president last Saturday were quite unexpected for me.''

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) UPI - The United States posted a budget deficit of $31.46 billion in October in the opening month of fiscal 1991, the Treasury Department reported Friday.

The shortfall follows a surplus of $20.84 billion in September and a deficit of $26.08 billion in October 1989, according to the department's regular budget statement.

Last month's outlays totaled $110.17 billion, while receipts totaled $78.71 billion, the government said.

The United States is expected to run a budget deficit of at least $176.33 billion during the fiscal year 1991, according to Bush administration estimates, and a shortfall of $133.88 billion in fiscal 1992.

Many economists, however, expect even higher annual deficits.

Under the category ''contribution to the defense cooperation account, '' the government received $1.62 billion in October, mainly for the ''Operation Desert Shield'' buildup in the Persian Gulf.

Overall defense spending totaled $24.09 billion for the month.

The United States also paid $18.08 billion in October on interest on the public debt, which includes bills, notes and bonds issued by the Treasury Department, the government said.

Spending on the Resolution Trust Corp., the agency that liquidates the assets of failed savings and loans, totaled $5.68 billion in the first month of the new fiscal year.

Social Security spending amounted to $19.45 billion.

The United States also took in $40.69 billion in income taxes in October, $1.61 billion in corporate income taxes, $3.01 billion in excise taxes and $1.53 billion in customs duties, the government said.

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GENEVA (NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush held an emergency meeting Friday with Syrian President Hafez al Assad, who has opposed Bush's call for a possible

military strike against Saddam Hussein.

''We have divergent points of view on some issues,'' Assad told reporters before the start of their scheduled two-hour talk. ''We will discuss a number of problems.''

Assad has said Syria wants Iraqi forces out of Kuwait but opposes use of force. He maintains that Syrian troops were sent to Saudi Arabia only to help U.S.-led multinational forces defend that country.

The hastily called meeting between the two leaders capped an eight- day European and Middle East tour by Bush, seeking global support for possible military force to free Kuwait of Iraqi troops.

Syria, a longtime adversary of the United States, is a hard-line Arab state accused by the State Department of sponsoring terrorism. It has pledged to send 15,000 troops to the multinational force, however.

Bush, who met earlier Monday in Cairo with Eygptian President Hosni Mubarak, brushed off criticism from Israel for his decision to become the first U.S. president to meet with a Syrian leader since Jimmy Carter did so in 1977.

''I have no problem sitting down with him,'' said Bush. ''This relates to the reversal of aggression, not only in the interest of the United States but to every country in the Middle East and that includes Israel.''

''Mr. Assad is lined up with us on the commitment of force,'' Bush said. ''That doesn't mean we don't have differences with Syria ... but they will be on the front line.''

The meeting was arranged this week at the urging of Arab leaders.

Edward Djerejian, U.S. ambassador to Damascus, who traveled with Bush to Geneva from Cairo, was asked by reporters if the United States is making Assad look like an ally in instituting the unusual face-to-face talks with him.

Djerejian replied, ''Where there are mutual interests, we work together.'' He cited the Persian Gulf and Lebanon where Syria has had troops since 1975.

Although relations between the United States and Syria remain strained, they have thawed noticeably since Assad committed troops to protect Saudi Arabia from a possible attack by Iraq.

The Syrian government has joined other Arab nations in condemning Iraq, but has distanced itself from suggestions that military action may have to be taken to end Iraq's nearly 4-month-old occupation of Kuwait.

Bush was expected to ask Assad how Syria would react in case of a war between

U.S.-led forces and Iraq. He was also likely to seek help in obtaining the release of six American hostages thought to be held in Beirut.

The president and Mubarak, following their 2 1/2-hour talk, both expressed support for possible military force against Iraq.

Bush said he and Mubarak have not given up on a peaceful solution, but added, ''We are getting tired of the status quo and so is the rest of the world.''

Mubarak sidestepped questions on whether Egyptian troops would be sent to fight alongside multinational forces. ''I'm not in a position to tell you the details,'' he told reporters.

During the past week, Bush has found mixed support for military force.

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl told him that a greater emphasis should be placed on trying to find a negotiated settlement. Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev advocated patience.

They both said that U.N.-mandated sanctions should be given more time to pressure Saddam to peacefully withdraw from Kuwait, although they said that force should not be ruled out.

Bush has called for a U.N. hearing next week on the treatment of the Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, apparently in an effort to build support for a U.N. resolution that would authorize a military strike.

The United States holds the chairmanship of the 15-member U.N. Security Council until the end of November. The post rotates on a monthly basis and Yemen is next in line.

Yemen leaders, in a setback to the U.S. position, told Secretary of State James Baker on Thursday that they oppose the presence and possible use of force in the Persian Gulf.

During the past week, Bush made stops in Czechoslovakia, Germany, Paris, Saudi Arabia and Egypt. He also gave a Thanksgiving Day pep talk to U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf.

Senate leader Robert Dole of Kansas and House Speaker Thomas Foley of Washington, who joined Bush on his tour of U.S. troops Thursday, said Bush's trip should not be viewed as a drive toward war.

Appearing on the CBS ''This Morning'' program Friday, the two said the trek was used to fortify the United States' position and to keep options open.

Dole said Bush ''may have helped his cause'' in lining up support.

''I think it means we're prepared, we're going to be more prepared and the president's keeping his options open, as is Congress, I might add,'' Dole said.

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(NOV. 23) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.49	N/A	8.30
91-day Treasury bills	7.26	N/A	7.52
182-day Treasury bills	7.33	N/A	7.32
1-year Treasury bills	7.25	N/A	7.08
3-year Treasury notes	7.63	N/A	7.63
7-year Treasury notes	8.16	N/A	7.75
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.45	N/A	7.87
10-year US West Corp -(new)	9.00	N/A	8.66
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.65	N/A	9.20
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.82	N/A	8.83
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.94	N/A	8.85
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.28	N/A	9.07
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.27	N/A	9.05

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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Security	Friday	Wk Ago	Change	
Federal funds rate	7.49	7.85	off	0.36
91-day Treasury bills	7.26	7.30	off	0.04
182-day Treasury bills	7.33	7.37	off	0.04
1-year Treasury bills	7.25	7.28	off	0.03
3-year Treasury notes	7.63	7.69	off	0.06
7-year Treasury notes (new)	8.16	8.19	off	0.03
30-year Treasury bond (new)	8.45	8.45	unchanged	
10-year Bell Telephone bond	9.00	8.89	up	0.02
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.65	9.65	unchanged	
GNMA 11 1/2 15-year mortgage	8.82	8.83	off	0.01
GNMA 12 1/2 30-year mortgage	8.94	9.00	off	0.06
F12 1/2 30-year mortgage	9.28	9.30	off	0.02

Freddie Mac30-year mortgage 9.27 9.29 off 0.02

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90327u0774 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (NOV. 23) UPI - Local elections opened Friday in Czechoslovakia as voters in the country's eastern republic of Slovakia voted for representatives to town and county councils.

The elections, the first free vote for local officials since the Communist putsch of 1948, continue Saturday in Slovakia and will be held only on Saturday in the Czech lands of Bohemia and Moravia.

Candidates from 42 parties participated in the elections. The Communist Party, which took 13 percent of the vote nationwide in June's parliamentary elections was expected to improve its performance.

The parliamentary elections were the country's first free ballot since 1946.

Civic Forum, the opposition group that led the overthrow of Communist rule last November and took a majority in the June elections in the Czech lands, is expected to fare worse on this round.

A senior Civic Forum official who requested anonymity said the Forum would consider a 40 percent vote as a victory.

A poll by the Institute for Public Opinion Research showed 51 percent of voters said they would take part in the elections and another 28 percent said they probably would. That compares with a turnout of 96 percent for the June elections.

President Vaclav Havel and the Forum have encouraged its local affiliates to form ad hoc alliances, and to urge voters to elect people they know rather than vote along party lines.

Civic Forum, for example, has formed alliances with the Communists in some 50 election districts.

''The most important thing is that the people elect the candidates they know and trust,'' Havel said in an interview in the Prague daily Zemedelske Noviny.

''I think that may be easier in the countryside than in big cities.''

The 42 independent political parties and movements in the elections have formed 834 coalitions and put up 146,730 candidates for 67,010 mandates.

Another 11,892 independent candidates are running, and 21,686 candidates are running from parties that are not on the ballot as parties.

Voters will elect Citizens Councils to replace the appointed ''National Committees'' left over from Communist rule. The elections are an effort to create local government responsible to the local community.

Under Communist rule, local national committees were run by general incompetent party hacks, and the administrators of the town or regional state-owned enterprises actually managed local affairs.

But since most local government finances will come from the national governments in Prague and Bratislava, prefects appointed from those capitals will govern most local spending and development.

The government survey showed only two-thirds of voters said they were familiar with the voting procedure. Only half of the voters said they considered the local elections democratic, while 18 percent thought they were not democratic.

First returns are expected Sunday night, but because of the complicated and extensive list of coalitions, the precise impact of the elecitons will not be known until Wednesday or Thursday.

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(NOV. 23) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close

Nov. 21, 1990

Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	435.69	off 10.32	off 0.69
Growth & Income	683.67	off 9.86	off 0.65
Balanced	451.33	off 8.97	off 0.22
Average Fund Performances:			
Capital Appreciation (142)		off 12.76	off 0.53
Growth (262)		off 10.54	off 0.54
Small Co. Growth (83)		off 17.17	off 0.42

Growth & Income (204)		off	9.02	off 0.45
Equity Income (69)		off	9.48	off 0.22
Average 760 Equity		off	11.21	off 0.47
Health/Biotech (9)		up	10.77	up 0.74
Natural Resources (19)		off	9.21	off 0.84
Environmental (5)		off	14.77	off 0.58
Science & Technology (23)		off	10.00	off 0.96
Specialty/Misc (31)		off	16.68	off 0.76
Utility (15)		off	3.89	up 0.01
Financial Services (9)		off	22.29	off 1.13
Real Estate (6)		off	18.94	up 0.28
Option Income (10)		off	7.77	off 0.42
Global (45)		off	10.00	off 0.11
International (60)		off	9.80	up 0.48
European Region (18)		off	3.12	up 1.06
Pacific Region (17)		off	15.96	off 0.74
Gold Oriented (36)		off	27.75	off 1.08
Average All Equity (1058)		off	11.51	off 0.41
Flexible Portfolio (48)		off	4.70	off 0.11
Global Flexible Port (11)		off	4.87	up 0.12
Balanced (62)		off	3.64	off 0.02
Convertible Security (31)		off	10.81	off 0.03
Mixed Income (13)		off	1.89	up 0.40
Income (4)		off	9.26	up 0.48
World Income (49)		up	13.57	up 0.53
Fixed Income (540)		up	2.42	up 0.39
Average 1821 Funds		off	6.13	off 0.11
Median 1821 Funds		off	6.50	up 0.00
Unmanaged Market Indicators:				
DJ Industrial	2,539.36	off	7.77	off 0.22
S&P 500	316.03	off	10.57	off 0.31
S&P 400	370.68	off	8.13	off 0.15
NYSE Composite	172.73	off	11.44	off 0.23
Amex	295.58	off	21.80	off 0.37

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)

Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 23) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	79.25	79.47	79.15	79.35	79.15
Feb	76.02	76.47	76.02	76.37	76.00
Apr	75.87	76.17	75.82	76.12	75.80
Jun	73.85	73.97	73.75	73.90	73.72
Aug	72.15	72.50	72.15	72.32	72.12
Oct	72.50	72.50	72.30	72.30	72.25
Dec	....	....	....	72.90	72.90

Est. sales 8,818 contracts; Wednesday 11,109; open interest 73,809 up 1,770.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	87.77	88.10	87.77	88.02	87.77
Mar	85.25	85.60	85.22	85.52	85.30
Apr	84.15	84.30	84.10	84.15	84.15
May	83.27	83.50	83.25	83.50	83.32
Aug	82.40	82.50	82.40	82.50	82.37
Sep	81.90	81.90	81.90	81.90	81.75
Oct	....	....	....	81.50	81.50

Est. sales 433 contracts; Wednesday 715; open interest 8,536 up 243.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	53.80	53.80	53.30	53.45	53.65
Feb	51.77	52.07	51.45	51.67	51.72
Apr	48.80	49.05	48.40	48.55	48.62
Jun	52.67	53.00	52.50	52.55	52.65
Jly	52.65	52.97	52.65	52.95	52.95
Aug	....	51.25	51.05	51.22	51.15
Oct	....	46.10	45.70	46.00	45.80
Dec	....	46.00	45.70	46.00	45.80

Est. sales 5,462 contracts; Wednesday 5,559; open interest 28,836 up 185.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	71.60	72.60	71.20	71.40	71.65
Mar	71.45	72.25	70.80	71.10	71.45
May	71.90	72.45	71.30	71.50	71.72
Jly	71.35	71.60	70.30	70.42	70.70
Aug	68.70	69.40	67.90	67.90	68.30

Est. sales 3,794 contracts; Wednesday 4,298; open interest 12,342 up 250.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday was unavailable due to technical difficulties.

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#90327u0799 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (NOV. 23) UPI - Britain's Queen Elizabeth II visited the Royal Air Force base at Laarbruch near the Dutch border Friday before having tea with German President Richard von Weizsaecker during her first visit to unified Germany.

More than 600 children waved little Union Jacks and cheered as the queen

entered the Laarbruch base for her first inspection of a RAF base in Germany. She visited British army bases in 1977, 1980 and 1985.

Before the queen arrived Friday morning for her one-day visit, three Tornado jet-fighters took off for the Persian Gulf and another three are to follow Saturday.

The queen, who was on a private visit and not accompanied by her husband, inspected the 2,500 troops stationed at Laarbruch, the second largest RAF base in Germany, before a short visist with von Weizsaecker in Bonn.

Weizsaecker welcomed the queen at his Bonn residence, the Villa Hammerschmidt, in late afternoon. They had tea and a 45-minute private chat without interpreters present.

Besides numerous visits to British troops, the queen had come to West Germany twice for state visits in 1965 and 1978.

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#90327u0814 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

WEST SENECA, NY (NOV. 23) UPI - Two people in Santa Claus suits picketed a suburban Buffalo shopping mall Friday, angered by mall management claims that one of Santa's elves made a suggestive comment to an employee.

The two carried signs which read, ''Work Wanted! Elves Out of Work,'' to protest being fired because which an elf allegedly said he would like to ''molest'' a female employee at Seneca Mall.

Because of the allegation, the mall plans to break its contract with Old Style Music Co. to provide Santa, Mrs. Claus, Frosty the Snowman, Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer and elves for the holiday shopping rush.

Kevin Hejmanowski, vice president of Old Style Music, said the trouble began Nov. 17 - the first day Santa and his colorful entourage arrived at the mall - when mall officials said one of the elves harassed the employee.

According to Bernard Zolnowski, one of the picketing Santas, ''The mall manager, Larry Rose, came up to myself and Santa and said that one of our elves had made a suggestive comment to a store employee. And the comment was ... 'I want to molest your body.'''

James Lagona, an attorney representing Old Style Music, said he plans to file a suit against the mall in state Supreme Court.

''It's difficult to break that contract on mere allegations,'' he said.

Hejmanowski maintains there was no wrongdoing by his employee.

''We don't go and recruit bums off the street,'' he said. ''We have a good reputation to uphold.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - The Coffee Sugar and Cocoa Exchange was closed Friday in observation of the extended Thanksgiving Day Holiday.

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CHICAGO GRAIN

CHICAGO (NOV. 23) UPI - Soybeans, corn and oats made gains to close out the week at the Chicago Board of Trade. But wheat ended the day mixed.

In light trading, commission house sell-stops helped put the skid on bean gains. Beans closed higher but off the day's highs on positive sentiment about a visit to Washington next week by the head of the Soviet grain agency, again stirring hope of a U.S. export credits.

The slide that took wheat lower and allowed only small gains for corn also weighed on bean prices.

Commercial and professional selling took wheat lower as did word that the French are planning to sell 600,000 tons of wheat to the USSR. A late round of professional buying turned wheat prices mixed.

Slack followthrough demand stalled corn gains, as did news that South Korea overnight had bought 100,000 tons of corn from China and 100,000 tons of feed wheat from Canada. Late commercial demand for March aided prices.

At the close, corn was up 1 to 2 3/4, wheat was off 1/4 to up 1, beans were up 3 to 4 3/4 and oats were unchanged to up 1 1/4.

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#90327u0851 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Gold futures closed Friday 460 to 490 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	....	....	....	383.70	378.90
Dec	381.30	385.20	381.30	384.50	379.80
Jan	....	....	....	386.30	381.60

Feb	384.50	388.00	384.50	387.50	382.90
Apr	387.50	391.30	387.50	390.60	386.00
Jun	390.00	394.00	390.00	394.00	389.30
Aug	397.00	397.00	397.00	397.20	392.40
Oct	401.00	401.00	400.00	400.50	395.70
Dec	401.20	404.30	401.20	403.80	399.00
Feb	....	....	....	407.30	402.50
Apr	....	....	....	410.70	405.90
Jun	414.70	414.70	414.70	414.50	409.60
Aug	....	....	....	418.50	413.60

Open interest: 111,887 up 592.
Estimated sales: 31,000 contracts.

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(NOV. 23) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Narrowly lower in very light trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Narrowly lower in very light trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed, holiday.

Dollar - Closed slightly higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1 to 2 3/4, wheat was off 1/4 to up 1, beans were up 3 to 4 3/4 and oats were unchanged to up 1 1/4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90327u0860 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
BONN, GERMANY (NOV. 23) UPI - Former East German Communists reportedly gave state security agents orders to go underground to run companies previously owned by the state, a report by a German economics institute said Friday.

The report said that when the Berlin Wall fell Nov. 9, 1989, officials of the

East German Communist Party and the state security appartus, known as Stasi, designated a core group of agents to infiltrate the state-owned companies in preparation of the party's return to power after unification.

From November 1989 to January, the initial phase of the plan known as ''Operation Shredder,'' agents destroyed incriminating documents linking the secret team to either the party or the Stasi, the report by the Cologne-based German Economic Institute said.

To carry out the destruction of files, the secret Stasi team infiltrated citzens' groups and the East German parliamentary committee charged with disbanding the Stasi, the report said.

The secret team was ordered to secure former Communist holdings in Germany and abroad to create ''a new empire, initially based on economic power,'' the report said.

Once the industrial economic empire was in place, it was supposed to back the political rise of the Party for Democratic Socialism, the renamed Communist Party, the report said.

The PDS, which has 24 members in the all-German Parliament since unification Oct. 3, sharply denounced allegations that it was part of the ploy.

''I think this is outrageous,'' PDS spokesman Hanno Harnisch told United Press International.

''The German Economic Institute is a serious institue, but this report is not serious,'' Harnisch said, calling the report ''a superficial lie.''

The report claims that PDS reformer and former East German Prime Minister Hans Modrow knew of the secret team and assisted in infiltrating the parliamentary commission whose task had been to crush the Stasi.

Modrow is running for the German Parliament as a PDS candidate in Dec. 2 national elections.

In the second phase of the operation from January to March 1990, the former Stasi was to be transformed from a ''mechanism for vulgar repression to a qualified economic and administrative organization,'' the report said.

In a third phase from April to September 1990, underground agents worked their way into leading positions at a number of the 8,000 formerly state-owned eastern German companies, the report said.

In its conclusion, the report said it is unlikely that the members of the secret team will ever be discovered, because the only document, a 6, 000-name file called ''Operation Business Trip,'' was destroyed during the Modrow

administration after the breach of the Berlin Wall.

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#90327u0881 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) UPI - In the wake of large anti-U.S. and pro-Iraqi demonstrations in Sudan, the State Department Friday authorized embassy dependents to leave the country and warned American private citizens to leave.

The revolutionary military government of Gen. Umar al-Bashir has sided with Iraq in the gulf crisis. Well-managed organized demonstrations have been reported in Khartoum and other cities.

In addition, the State Department said that there is reason to believe that there is a high potential for anti-American terrorist attacks in Khartoum.

Government sources said this week there is evidence that Iraqi-backed terrorist groups have been casing American installations in Khartoum in preparation for a possible wave of terrorist actions against U.S. diplomats and citizens if hostilities should break out in the gulf crisis.

Elsewhere in the country, a continuing drought and famine, compounded by a continuing civil war, has made the western and southern Sudan unsafe for travel.

The State Department's travel advisory said, ''The safety of Americans residing in or attempting to travel to these areas cannot be assured.''

The advisory said that the street demonstrations were orderly and kept under control by government security forces but, it said, ''The situation could change quickly.''

As a result of the danger, including the threat of terrorism, the department authorized the voluntary departure of dependents of U.S. government personnnel in Khartoum.

The United States is a principal supplier of food aid to Sudan, despite the difficulty of delivering the supplies to refugee centers, where an estimated 3 million to 4 million people are at risk of starvation.

In the current year, the United States has delivered $46 million in food supplies, but a development aid program for Sudan was suspended because of strains in relations between the two countries.

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#90327u0914 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Scheduled talks between the striking Newspaper Guild

and Daily News management failed to materialize Friday when negotiators were unable to get a federal mediator to join them.

''No firm date has been set for resumption of talks,'' Alan Mirabella, a union spokesman, said. ''We'll try again next week.''

The 30th day of the strike by the Guild and eight other unions representing 2,500 News employes was marked by an educational march by strikers in the Bronx, urging the public not to buy or subscribe to the News.

They were joined by black and Hispanic strike supporters who carried placards accusing the News of ''race baiting'' with the newspaper's charges that the craft unions are ''lily white;'' in fact, the demonstrators said, they have a diverse ethnic and racial membership.

The strike began Oct. 25 after 10 months of fruitless negotiations, but talks have continued between management and individual unions on a sporadic basis. The paper has continued to publish with ''replacment'' personnel taking the jobs of the strikers.

The News has virtually disappeared from the city's newsstands and the paper is being sold on street corners by hawkers recruited from the city's homeless community. The tabloid even has been given away free in some busy locations.

Daily News Vice President John Sloan and Newspaper Guild Chairman Pete McLaughlin agreed Wednesday during a radio interview program to resume contract talks and their host, Brian Lehrer, pinned them down to Friday as a specific date. Federal mediators, however, were taking a holiday weekend, the Guild spokesman said.

As of Thanksgiving, the Police Department had received 196 reports of strike-related violence and had made 89 arrests in connection with incidents such as attacks on Daily News delivery trucks, vandalism and fire bombings of vendors selling the Daily News and altercations between News security guards and strikers.

Macy's, the News' biggest advertiser at $6 million a year, pulled out of the newspaper Wednesday, the day before the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade, which might have attracted striker picketing. The unions claim more than 200 of the tabloids' 260 regular advertisers have dropped out of the paper.

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(NOV. 23) UPI - A security set-up known as ''Plan F'' was implemented in Geneva, Switzerland, today for the hastily arranged meeting between Presiden Bush and Syria's leader. About 200 U-S Secret Service agents were in charge of arranging security that Geneva airport officials say called for four Galaxy

military transport planes carrying armor-plated limousines and helicopters.

Earlier, Bush and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak met in Cairo to discuss the Middle East crisis. the Egyptian leader came out of the talks saying he support the military option against Iraq, but he refused to say whether his own troops will help any U-S-led troops oust Iraq from Kuwait.

First lady Barbara Bush told a group of five-year-old children in a Cairo, Egypt, library that she will ask Santa Claus for peace in the Middle East. Mrs. Bush visited the children's library with Egypt's first lady... while President Bush and Egyptian leader Hosni Mubarak held a two-hour meeting.

About 15-hundred Jordanians took to the streets of downtown Amman after Muslim noon prayers today to protest the visit of President Bush to the Mideast. They carried anti-Bush banners and chanted anti-American slogans, but NO violence was reported.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen renewed the demand that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait. The official Chinese report on the unexpected meeting in western China did NOT say whether they agreed on the use of force to drive Iraq out of its neighbor.

Security sources in Beirut say the Christian hard-line Lebanese forces militia is gathering its men and weapons as a prelude to leaving east Beirut. Lebanese Army troops are poised to take over the last stronghold in Beirut in the plan to established a non-militia, unified capital.

Court records in New York City show that Ivana Trump has temporarily blocked Donald Trump's chances of selling or borrowing against the three homes they shared in Manhattan, Connecticut and Florida. The records show that Ivana's attorneys sought and were granted a temporary restraining order against the financially embattled real estate tycoon.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 23) - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Friday:

Wheat - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	2.49	2.50	2.45 1/4	2.48 3/4	2.49
Mar	2.65 3/4	2.66 1/4	2.61	2.64 3/4	2.65
May	2.75	2.75	2.70 1/2	2.74	2.74 1/4
Jly	2.82	2.82	2.77 1/2	2.81 1/2	2.80 1/2
Sep	2.86 1/2	2.86 1/2	2.85 1/2	2.86 1/2	2.86
Dec	2.96 1/2	2.97 1/2	2.96 1/2	2.97 1/2	2.97 1/2

Wednesday sales 63,610 bushels; Wednesday

open interest 283,195 up 350.

Corn - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	2.21 1/4	2.23 1/2	2.20 1/2	2.22 1/2	2.20 1/2
Mar	2.32 1/2	2.34	2.31 1/2	2.33 1/2	2.30 3/4
May	2.39 3/4	2.42 1/2	2.39 1/2	2.41 3/4	2.39
Jly	2.46 1/2	2.49	2.46 1/2	2.48 1/2	2.45 3/4
Sep	2.49	2.50 1/4	2.48	2.48 3/4	2.48 1/2
Dec	2.50	2.50 1/4	2.48	2.49 1/2	2.48 1/2
Mar	2.54 3/4	2.56 1/2	2.54 3/4	2.56 1/4	2.54 1/2

Wednesday sales 275,250 bushels;
Wednesday open interest 1,178,060 up 4,425.

Oats - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	1.07 1/2	1.10	1.07 1/2	1.08 1/2	1.07 1/2
Mar	1.19 1/4	1.21 1/2	1.19 1/4	1.20	1.18 3/4
May	1.25 3/4	1.27 1/2	1.25 3/4	1.26 1/2	1.25 1/2
Jly	1.33 1/4	1.33 1/2	1.32 1/2	1.32 3/4	1.32
Sep	1.39	1.39 1/2	1.39	1.39 1/4	1.38 1/2
Dec	....	....	....	1.48	1.48

Wednesday sales 7,085 bushels; Wednesday open interest 76,160 up 60.

Soybeans - 5,000 bu; $ per bu

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	5.82	5.89	5.78 1/4	5.82	5.77 1/4
Mar	5.94	6.02	5.92	5.95 1/2	5.91 1/2
May	6.11	6.16	6.05 1/2	6.08 1/2	6.04 1/4
Jly	6.22 1/2	6.27	6.16 3/4	6.19 3/4	6.15 1/2
Aug	6.23 1/2	6.25	6.19	6.20	6.17
Sep	6.13	6.15	6.10 1/2	6.11 1/2	6.08
Nov	6.11 1/2	6.12 3/4	6.09	6.11	6.17
Jan	6.23	6.23	6.21	6.21	6.17
Mar	....	....	....	6.32	6.32

Wednesday sales 170,975 bushels;
Wednesday open interest 610,725 off 7,370.

Soybean Oil - 60,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	20.35	20.58	20.32	20.33	20.21
Jan	20.80	20.82	20.57	20.58	20.45
Mar	21.14	21.20	20.90	20.93	20.83
May	21.45	21.57	21.29	21.30	21.21
Jly	21.75	21.80	21.53	21.53	21.45
Aug	21.85	21.85	21.52	21.52	21.42
Sep	21.83	21.83	21.55	21.55	21.45
Oct	21.75	21.75	21.65	21.67	21.55

Dec	21.85	21.85	21.65	21.65	21.62
Jan	21.80	21.80	21.65	21.60	21.62

Wednesday sales 18,274 contracts;
Wednesday open interest 89,177 off 471.

Soybean Meal - 100 tons; $ per ton

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Dec	175.00	176.50	173.50	175.30	174.50
Jan	179.00	179.20	176.10	177.90	176.90
Mar	181.80	182.50	179.50	181.70	180.30
May	183.50	184.80	181.70	183.30	182.50
Jly	186.00	187.70	185.00	185.60	185.20
Aug	188.50	188.50	186.50	186.70	186.00
Sep	187.00	187.20	185.00	185.00	185.00
Oct	184.00	184.00	183.00	183.50	182.40
Dec	185.50	185.50	185.50	185.50	185.00
Jan	....	....	....	185.00	184.00

Wednesday sales 20,746 contracts;
Wednesday open interest 79,302 up 1,878.
Open interest is reported by the CBOT in thousands of bushels.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 23) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.38 3/4 up 9 3/4 to off 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.74 - 5.76 up 5 to 4 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.23 1/2 up 15 to 2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.30 1/2 -2.31 1/2 up 5 to 2.

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#90327u0951 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (NOV. 23) UPI - NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner, in Budapest for an official visit, predicted Friday the Western military alliance will be a fixture in Europe for years to come although its role may become increasingly political.

''NATO will be as necessary as it was in the past, and it will exist as long as it's needed,'' Woerner told a news conference in Budapest on the second day of his visit, the first to Hungary by a NATO secretary general.

Woerner said the conflicts in the Persian Gulf and the Balkans are examples of the types of crises that will continue to make the alliance necessary long after the Cold War is only a memory.

''We want to insure ourselves against those risks,'' he said.

Woerner said the issue of NATO membership for Hungary was not discussed during his meetings with Prime Minister Jozsef Antall.

He stressed, however, that NATO is committed to using its political influence to reshape East-West relations, and that it is of ''historic importance to extend a hand of friendship to Hungary, now that the time of confrontation is over.''

Antall's government has declared its intention to withdraw from the Warsaw Pact, and some officials have suggested Hungary should consider applying for membership in NATO.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 15 points higher to 46 points lower.

NY Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	76.00	76.14	76.45	74.97	75.43
Mar	74.00	74.14	73.53	73.93	73.78
May	73.90	74.05	73.61	73.93	73.80
Jly	74.00	74.20	73.91	74.00	74.01
Oct	67.80	67.80	67.65	67.68	67.75
Dec	65.45	65.50	65.21	65.23	65.32
Mar	66.05	....	....	66.06	66.02

Estimated sales: 5,750 contracts
Open interest: 41,744 off 1,448
The World spot average: unavailable

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(For Friday)

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index was unavailable Friday due to the observation of the extended Thanksgiving Day Holiday.

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#90327u0987 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW CANAAN, CT (NOV. 23) UPI - AmeriCares will airlift more than 340,000 pounds of food and medicines to the Soviet Union to ease shortages in orphanages and hospitals during the Christmas holiday, the private relief group said Friday.

The first two flights will leave Connecticut for Moscow on Dec. 23 and Dec. 26 with a third planned for late January to aid children, the ill and the elderly during the harsh Russian winter.

''This is designed to help those less able to help themselves in the Soviet Union - children, orphanages, hospitals and older people,'' said Steve Johnson president of AmeriCares. ''They certainly would get the short straw if everybody is scrambling for these short supplies.''

The Soviet government has said it had no plans to release emergency food reserves because it does not believe shortages are severe enough.

The government also denied widespread public charges that the army is hoarding the food for itself.

The Soviet parliament described the situation in the country Friday as ''deteriorating and near critical,'' however, and gave President Mikhail Gorbachev two weeks to prepare urgent measures to increase the food supply.

AmeriCares, which has delivered more than $365 million worth of emergency relief aid around the world since 1982, said its airlifts to the Soviet Union would deliver ''life-saving supplies.''

''As food rationing intensifies in the Soviet Union, so too do AmeriCares' efforts to stave off impending starvation in Soviet towns and cities,'' the group said in a report.

Requests have been coming in from the Soviet Union and AmeriCare workers were headed for that country to assess the situation and make sure supplies were delivered to those most in need, Johnson said.

The shipments will include over-the-counter pain relievers, cold medications and other medicines including antibiotics that were donated by U.S. pharmaceutical companies, he said.

''You can't find an aspirin in the Soviet Union today, let alone anything else sold over the counter,'' Johnson said.

Foods will include canned tuna, meats, fruits and cheese; pasta and other packaged goods; and nutritional supplements that can be distributed, or used in hospitals.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 23) UPI - World trade talks stand only a slim chance of success, Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter said Friday in his darkest assessment yet, but Germany may provide the last-minute key to freer trade.

Yeutter, who has strongly criticized European intransigence on agricultural reform, indicated the United States was willing to be ''somewhat accommodating'' in its goals. However, he said the European Community must be more forthcoming.

Disagreement over agricultural subsidies and trade barriers is threatening to derail the four-year round of trade negotiations. The final week of discussions is scheduled to begin Dec. 3.

''We're negotiators, of course, and we obviously are prepared to negotiate, which means that we would likely settle for something less than what we now have on the negotiating table,'' Yeutter said during taping of the public affairs program ''American Interests.''

''But not a whole lot less ... because this is important for us in terms of developing a major growth industry in agriculture. ... We'd rather walk away from the table than take what we believe to be a bad deal.''

The normally optimistic Yeutter said odds for an agreement ''are well below 50-50. ... I'd say maybe 25-75, only about a 25 percent probability.''

In its final position paper, the United States proposed a 90 percent cut in export subsidies and a 75 percent cut in trade-distorting agricultural subsidies and trade barriers over the next 10 years. The European Community proposed a 30 percent cut in domestic subsidies and trade barriers, based on 1986 expenditures.

France and Germany have been the most adament of EC members in opposing cuts in farm supports. Yeutter said he believes Germany is more amenable than France and thus might rescue the talks.

''This gets very complicated ... but the fact is, the Germans are prepared to do more reforming in agriculture in a whole variety of ways which the French are not,'' Yeutter said, although German Chancellor Helmut Kohl might not want to go as far as the United States.

Yeutter said it would be impractical to consider an extension of the trade talks because it might imperil congressional approval of any agreement that is reached.

Rules now call for ''fast track'' review of a trade treaty, meaning Congress must vote within 90 days on the treaty and without making any alterations to

it. Three dozen senators have given their support to legislation to drop the fast track rules, a step that Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, has said would effectively kill a treaty.

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(NOV. 23) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	229.00	229.90	226.10	226.25	228.70
Mar	....	....	....	228.30	230.75
Jun	....	....	....	230.50	233.15

Estimated volume: 82 contracts.

Open interest: 1,367 off 2.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	317.40	319.10	315.25	315.50	317.85
Mar	320.05	321.55	317.70	318.05	320.40
Jun	324.40	324.50	320.70	321.00	323.45
Sep	....	326.90	324.00	324.00	326.45

Estimated volume: 26,896 contracts.

Open interest: 156,278 off 651.

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	173.35	174.30	172.20	172.40	173.60
Mar	174.55	175.50	173.60	173.55	174.90
Jun	....	....	....	174.95	176.20

Open interest: 4,649 off 190.

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	537.40	539.50	532.50	532.70	537.70
Jan	....	....	....	534.70	539.70
Feb	....	....	....	534.80	539.80

Estimated volume: 2,531 contracts.

Open interest: 7,669 up 660.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		

($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	27.20-27.30	25.00-25.05
North Sea Brent	32.65-32.75	30.03-30.13
West Texas Intermed	32.85-32.95	30.10-30.15
Light Louisiana Sweet	33.75-33.85	31.00-31.10
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	84.40-84.90	80.95-81.45
No. 2 Heating oil	88.15-88.40	84.65-84.90
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	79.15-79.40	76.05-76.35
No. 2 Heating oil	86.75-86.95	83.05-83.25

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.70

60 to 89 days 7.92

90 to 119 days 7.79

120 to 149 days 7.68

150 to 179 days 7.58

180 to 270 days 7.50

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.70 - 7.60

Issuers 30 days N/A

Issuers 90 days N/A

Issuers 270 days N/A

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.95

60 to 89 days 8.15

90 to 119 days 8.10

120 to 149 days 8.05

150 to 179 days 8.00

180 days 8.00

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.375 - 7.5

1 month 7.75 - 7.875

3 month 8.00 - 8.125

6 month 7.875 - 8.00

Year 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.03 - 7.01

6 months 6.98 - 6.96

Year 6.79 - 6.77

Federal Funds: High 7 1/2, Low 7 7-16, Close 7 1/2

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.635 up 0.011.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)
N/A - not available

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2527.23	off	12.13
20 Trans	844.12	off	5.73
15 Utils	209.00	up	0.31
65 Stocks	881.67	off	3.66

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks -	5,870,000 shares
1990 to date -	3,036,081,680
Bonds -	$980,000
1990 to date -	$669,228,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks -	63,350,000 shares
1990 to date -	35,797,421,300
Warrants -	459,400
1990 to date -	232,384,200

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.13	up 0.03
10 Public Utils	92.21	up 0.08
10 Industrials	88.05	off 0.03

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 125.21 up 0.81.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2536.88	2557.92	2521.04	2527.23	off 12.13
20 Trans	849.67	853.55	840.61	844.12	off 5.73

15 Utils	208.88	210.32	207.81	209.00	up	0.31
65 Stock	884.94	891.22	878.60	881.67	off	3.66

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Wednesday
Indus	6,788,400	18,751,300
Trans	781,900	2,718,500
Utils	1,057,100	1,805,200
65 Stock	8,627,400	23,275,000

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.13	up 0.03
10 Public Utils	92.21	up 0.08
10 Industrials	88.05	off 0.03

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 125.21 up 0.81.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Friday - $16,220,000

1990 to date - $9,886,633,000

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CHICAGO (NOV. 23) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Friday - 4,332,000

1990 to date - 2,231,547,000

The market closed lower.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 296.03, low 295.03, close 295.90, up 0.32.

There was a gain of 1 cent in the average share price.

Volume 5,870,000 shares, compared with 11, 860,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	3
New Lows	24
Advances	242
Declines	203

Unchanged 230
Total Issues 675

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2527.23	off	12.13	844.12	off	5.73	209.00	up	0.31
Wednesday	2539.36	up	9.16	849.85	off	3.15	208.69	up	1.64
Week ago	2559.65	up	24.25	877.59	up	9.80	208.75	off	0.32
Month ago	2504.21	up	10.15	867.05	off	7.95	210.51	up	0.56
Year ago	2656.78	up	17.49	1166.43	up	8.18	221.33	up	1.32
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	370.68	220.70	141.17	21.46	316.03
Opening	370.31	220.54	140.99	21.42	315.70
11 a.m.	370.32	220.52	140.99	21.42	315.70
Noon	371.89	221.14	141.17	21.48	316.88
1 p.m.	370.62	219.52	140.85	21.41	315.82
2 p.m.	370.86	219.82	140.90	21.41	316.00
3 p.m.	370.60	219.50	140.76	21.39	315.77
Close	369.71	219.49	140.67	21.34	315.10
Change	off 0.97	off 1.21	off 0.50	off 0.12	off 0.93

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	16	18	11
New lows	31	83	43

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	646	23,782,300
Declines	676	27,624,600
Unchanged	543	11,943,100
Total	1,865	63,350,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Stocks closed lower Friday, a post-Thanksgiving session marked by a long trading halt in the morning due to technical problems and by the lightest volume in almost four years.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 9.16 Wednesday, lost 12.13 to close at 2527.23. The market was closed Thursday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index eased 0.34 to 172.39 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 0.93 to 315.10. The price of an average share fell 6 cents.

Declines led advances 681-647 among the 1,880 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 63,350,000 shares, compared with 140,660,000 traded Wednesday.

Trading was halted was almost all of Friday morning by electrical problems at the NYSE. Turnover was the lightest since Dec. 26, 1986, when just 48,864,585 shares traded on the day after Christmas.

The technical problems accentuated what had been expected to be a very quiet day, with many players away for a long Thanksgiving weekend.

The NYSE said an electrical power problem halted activity at 9:41 a.m. EST, just 11 minutes into the session. After a delay of more than an hour and a half, trading resumed at 11:15 a.m. EST. Trading was originally set to resume at 10:45 a.m. EST, but the starting time was pushed back twice.

Richard Torrenzano, NYSE senior vice president for communications, said that the power-related problems were ''identified and corrected'' but that the Big Board would not have the full story of what happened until a complete analysis is done, which he said should be sometime next week.

After trading resumed, prices rose. Newton Zinder, analyst at Lehman Bros., said he could cite no reason for the gains other than that the day after Thanksgiving is traditionally an ''up'' day in the market.

But tradition did not mean much to the market, as Friday's gains were lost to soaring oil prices, even though trading in that market was said to be almost

nil. January crude oil futures closed up $2.27 to $31.90 a barrel.

''Basically, though, it was comatose,'' said Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King & Associates in Albany, N.Y. ''It was just a very, very, very quiet day. I think most players are home eating leftovers and watching football.''

Doran said he thought the power-related delays sent some players who may have been debating the wisdom of coming in to work Friday home early.

''I found several people who I had orders in with said, 'The heck with this,' and went home after the delays,'' said Doran. ''They knew liquidity was going to be thin anyway and after a few delays they threw in the towel. Only the diehards were still around and I think they think they made a mistake.''

On the trading floor, MCA was the most active issue, plunging 3 1/8 to 65 3/8 amid concerns about how much a takeover deal being negotiated with Japanese suitor Matsushita might bring on a per-share basis.

Texas Utilities followed, down 1 1/8 to 36 3/4. The staff of the Texas Public Utility Commission reportedly recommended the company refund about $593 million to customers for gas costs the commission deemed imprudent. Dominion Resources was third, unchanged at 47 1/8.

Among the other blue chips, McDonald's rose 3/8 to 28 5/8, AT&T lost 5/8 to 32 1/8, IBM eased 1 1/4 to 112 3/4 and Philip Morris lost 1/2 to 48 1/8.

Elsewhere, Caterpillar plunged 3 to 39 3/8 in active trading. Goldman Sachs was said to cut earnings estimates for the company late Wednesday, citing concerns that demand for its products may be waning.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 80,031,460 shares, compared with 172,420,120 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices closed higher in light trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index rose 0.32 to 295.90. Advances led declines 235-215 among the 692 issues traded. The price of an average share added 1 cent. Composite volume totaled 7,186,920 shares vs. 14, 052,400 traded Wednesday.

B.A.T Industries led the Amex issues, up 7/16 to 11 1/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 0.27 to 349.04.

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#90327u1108 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 23) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	3
New lows	24

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	242	2,622,500
Declines	203	2,249,600
Unchanged	230	997,900
Total	675	5,870,000

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#90327u1113 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Texas Util	2,044,100	36 3/4	off	1 1/8
MCA Inc	1,626,200	65 3/8	off	3 1/8
Boeing Inc	634,000	44 5/8	up	3/8
PepsiCo	610,000	25 5/8	off	1/8
Exxon Corp	583,100	51 1/8	up	3/8
Dominion Res	573,600	47 1/8	unch	
Caterpillar	572,200	39 3/8	off	3
Philip Morris	543,400	48 1/8	off	5/8
AT&T Co	532,000	32 1/8	off	5/8
Citicorp	529,700	12 3/8	off	1/4
Kentuckey Util	514,900	20 1/8	off	3/8
McDonalds Corp	513,100	28 3/4	up	1/2
Lilly Eli	512,700	69 7/8	up	1 3/8
Beverly Ent	492,400	7 7/8	up	1/8
Xerox Corp	491,900	33 7/8	off	1/8

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#90327u1119 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
BAT Industries	830,200	11 1/8	up	7-16
Echo Bay Mines	673,300	7 1/2	off	3/8
Fruit of Loom	321,700	7 1/2	up	1/4
Energy Service	181,300	2 3/8	up	1/8
Imperial Oil A	169,700	51 3/8	off	3/8
Salomon pwt Mar	155,200	5 1/8	off	3/8

Citizens First	103,400	3	unch	
Denmark King wt	100,500	19 3/8	off	3/8
CMI Corp	98,000	1	up	1/8
Crystal Oil Co	93,300	1 1/2	off	1/8

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#90327u1132 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

CARACAS, VENEZUELA (NOV. 23) UPI - Bo Diaz, a veteran catcher who spent 13 years in the major leagues, was electrocuted Friday while installing a satellite television dish on the roof of his home, fire department officials said. He was 37.

It was not immediately clear whether Diaz toched a power line from the house or was killed by an electrical discharge from the dish.

Diaz was immediately taken from his home in an affluent Caracas suburb to a hospital, but was pronounced dead on arrival.

Baudilio Jose Diaz was born in Cua, Venezuela, in 1953 and was one of the most beloved baseball players in the country. He joined the majors in 1977 with Boston and went on to play with Cleveland and Philadelphia before spending five seasons with the Cincinnati Reds.

His best year came in 1982 with the Phillies when he batted .288 and hit 18 home runs and drove in 85 runs. In 1983, he was the regular catcher on the Phillies team that advanced to the World Series but lost to Baltimore in five games.

Diaz retired after the 1989 season. This past year, Diaz was the starting catcher for the Leones del Caracas team in Venezuela. He quit one week ago reportedly because of differences with management.

-30- 1417

#90327u1135 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Wed	Fri	Wed
Argntn austral	.000194	.000196	5164.00	5091.00
Australia dlr	.7660	.7640	1.3055	1.3089
Austria schill	.0957	.0962	10.45	10.39
Belgium franc-c	.0326	.0328	30.70	30.51
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26

Brazil cruzado	.0086	.0086	116.40	116.40
Britain pound	1.9673	1.9685	.5083	.5080
Britain 1-mo	1.9577	1.9583	.5108	.5106
Britain 3-mo	1.9424	1.9426	.5148	.5148
Britain 6-mo	1.9229	1.9277	.5200	.5188
Canada dollar	.8632	.8628	1.1585	1.1590
Canada 1-mo	.8601	.8596	1.1627	1.1633
Canada 3-mo	.8548	.8541	1.1699	1.1708
Canada 6-mo	.8480	.8475	1.1792	1.1800
Chile peso-f	.003241	.003256	308.53	307.09
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001878	.001858	532.59	538.31
Denmark krne	.1758	.1765	5.6890	5.6650
Ecudr sucre-z	.001179	.001178	848.25	849.23
Egypt pound	.3601	.3614	2.7768	2.7670
Finlnd mrkka	.2803	.2825	3.5670	3.5400
France franc	.1997	.2005	5.0075	4.9870
France 1-mo	.1994	.2002	5.0144	4.9947
France 3-mo	.1989	.1996	5.0286	5.0092
France 6-mo	.1978	.1986	5.0560	5.0360
Greece drach	.006681	.006680	149.68	149.69
Hollnd guildr	.5970	.5995	1.6750	1.6680
HongKong dlr	.1283	.1285	7.7960	7.7845
India rupee	.0559	.0559	17.88	17.88
Indo'sa rupia	.000537	.000537	1861.00	1861.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7971	1.8093	0.5565	0.5527
Israel shekel	.5102	.5107	1.9600	1.9580
Italy lira	.000897	.000900	1115.00	1111.00
Japan yen	.007840	.007851	127.55	127.37
Japan 1-mo	.007871	.007863	127.05	127.17
Japan 3-mo	.007886	.007901	126.80	126.57
Japan 6-mo	.007997	.008047	125.05	124.27
Jordan dinar	1.5603	1.5555	.6409	.6429
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000343	.000343	2913.00	2913.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6137	.6125	1.6295	1.6327
Norway krne	.1725	.1732	5.7980	5.7740
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	423,550	423,550
P'pnes peso-z	.0366	.0366	27.31	27.31
Portugl escud	.007711	.007737	129.69	129.25
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5858	.5845	1.7070	1.7110
S.Africa rand	.3985	.3985	2.5092	2.5092
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50

Spain peseta	.010630	.010655	94.07	93.85
Sweden krona	.1798	.1804	5.5630	5.5430
Switzrl franc	.7954	.7994	1.2573	1.2510
Switzrl 1-mo	.7951	.7991	1.2577	1.2514
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7942	.7982	1.2592	1.2528
Switzrl 6-mo	.7928	.7970	1.2613	1.2547
Taiwan dollar	.0375	.0374	26.70	26.73
Turkey lira	.000364	.000364	2748.00	2748.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6608	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0203	.0203	49.23	49.23
Germany mark	.6725	.6761	1.4870	1.4790
Germany 1-mo	.6723	.6759	1.4875	1.4795
Germany 3-mo	.6711	.6747	1.4901	1.4822
Germany 6-mo	.6689	.6723	1.4950	1.4874
Yugosl dinar	.0984	.0992	10.16	10.08

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90327u1137 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 23) UPI - Foreign ministers of some of the U.N. Security Council's 15 members will meet next week for a special debate on the Persian Gulf crisis, expected to focus on a U.N. resolution for a military strike against Iraq, diplomats said Friday.

Yuliy Vorontsov, the Soviet U.N. ambassador, said Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze will be in New York next week to attend the session.

''He's coming,'' Vorontsov told reporters as he headed for private consultations with other council members on U.N. activities.

Zaire's U.N. ambassador, Bagbeni Adeito Nzengeya, also said his foreign minister will attend the meeting, to be held probably Thursday.

But Vorontsov, despite denying that the five permament members of the Security Council are split on the resolution on use of force against Iraq, proposed instead that the council issue a ''strong and serious warning'' for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to pull his troops out of Kuwait.

''It should be warning because we have been waiting for too long already,'' Vorontsov said.

Asked whether the council should convene again to authorize the use of force

after issuing the warning, Vorontsov said, ''Not necessarily.''

Vorontsov did not specify the nature of the warning and whether it should be accompanied by military action. He said it is needed to send a strong signal to Saddam that the council is not ''joking.''

The United States has been campaigning for the U.N. resolution on force while other countries, particularly non-aligned members in the council, preferred diplomatic pressure to resolve the crisis triggered Aug. 2 by Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

France supported the resolution but said implementation should not be automatic.

Moscow and Beijing have withheld their support, but Beijing particularly has spoken strongly against the military option and called for more diplomatic efforts to oust the Iraqis. Shevardnadze was to fly to Beijing Friday to meet with his counterpart, Qian Qichen, to discuss the next U.N. move against Iraq.

The U.N. diplomats said next week's Security Council meeting would determine how and when the military option would be carried out or whether diplomacy should be given a last chance.

The resolution authorizing use of military action against Iraq has been intensely debated for weeks among the five permanent members - the United States, the Soviet Union, France, Britain and China.

The issue was discussed by President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on Sunday in Paris when they attended the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Secretary of State James Baker held talks with Yemen's President Ali Abdullah Saleh in Sana Thursday, but his efforts to gain Saleh's support on the resolution were rebuffed. Baker also met with officials from Zaire and Malaysia to win their support.

The Security Council's 10 non-permanent members are Colombia, Canada, Finland, Malaysia, Ethiopia, Cote d'Ivoire, Cuba, Yemen, Zaire and Romania.

The body's presidency rotates monthly. It is currently occupied by the United States, to be followed by Yemen in December.

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#90327u1147 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 23) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6125	off 50
Capital Cities	401	up 4 3/4
MCA Corp	65 3/8	off 3 1/8
Caterpillar Inc	39 3/8	off 3
NiagarA Mohk pfH	58	off 2 7/8
Lilly Eli wt	64 5/8	up 2 5/8
British Gas	47 3/8	up 2 5/8
Square D	54 3/4	up 2 1/2
Jersey C Pwr pfE	85 1/2	up 2 1/2
Matsushita El	126 1/2	up 2 1/8
Imperial Chem	71	up 2

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#90327u1150 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	173.17	172.39	172.39	off 0.34
Industrial	214.39	213.36	213.36	off 0.39
Transport	134.46	133.49	133.49	off 0.65
Utility	89.41	89.13	89.13	off 0.22
Finance	114.26	113.80	113.80	off 0.22

Equivalent to a loss of 6 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 63,350,000 shares.

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#90327u1154 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended November 16:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	174.35	171.11	172.39	off 0.91
Industrial	215.59	211.65	213.36	off 0.62
Transportation	136.44	133.36	133.49	off 2.08
Utilities	89.76	88.62	89.13	off 0.28
Finance	117.19	113.07	113.80	up 2.74

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#90327u1170 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended November 23, 1990:

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Boeing Co	9,122,700	47 3/8	42	44 5/8	off 1 3/4
Texas Util	7,117,000	37 7/8	36 5/8	36 3/4	off 1/2
IBM Corp	5,639,500	115 1/8	112 3/8	112 5/8	off 1
Philip Morris	5,517,300	49 1/4	48 1/8	48 1/8	unch
USF&G Corp	5,356,100	10	7 3/4	8	off 2 1/8
General Elec	5,116,600	55 3/8	52 3/8	53 5/8	off 1 3/4
MCA Inc	4,973,900	68 1/2	63 3/4	65 3/8	up 1/2
Citicorp	4,605,300	13 7/8	12 1/8	12 3/8	off 1 1/2
Fed Nat Mtge	4,595,100	32 3/4	29 5/8	30 5/8	off 1 5/8
PepsiCo	4,247,000	26 1/2	24 7/8	25 5/8	up 1/8
Lilly Eli	4,234,400	70	66	69 7/8	up 3/8
Varity Corp	4,146,300	2 1/8	2	2 1/8	up 1/8
Amer Express	3,872,700	22 1/8	19 1/2	19 3/4	off 1 7/8
AT&T Co	3,800,400	32 3/4	31 7/8	32 1/8	up 1/8
Exxon Corp	3,720,900	51 1/8	50 1/4	51 1/8	up 3/4
General Motor	3,620,800	38 7/8	37 1/8	37 3/8	off 1
Ford Motor	3,408,800	28 1/4	26	26 7/8	off 1
C & S Sovran	3,219,900	18 3/8	16	16 1/8	off 1 3/8
Wal Mart Stores	3,167,600	30	29 1/8	29 5/8	up 3/8
Coca Cola Co	3,082,800	47	45 1/4	45 3/4	unch

-30- 1803

#90327u1176 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - The 10 most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended November 23, 1990:

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Corona Corp clA	4,696,600	4 1/2	4 1/8	4 1/2	unch
BAT Indus	3,069,500	11 3-16	10 11-16	11 1/8	up 1/8
Echo Bay Mines	2,050,400	10 1/4	7 1/8	7 1/2	off 2 7/8
Fruit Loom	1,316,900	7 1/2	6 3/4	7 1/2	up 3/4
Morgan	1,159,100	1 1/8	1	1 1/8	up 1/8
Amdahl Corp	971,800	13 7/8	12 7/8	13 5/8	unch
ENSCO	846,300	2 3/8	2 1/8	2 3/8	up 1/8
Amer Expl	784,000	4	3 1/4	3 3/4	up 3/8
Contl Airlines	771,100	3 7/8	3	3 1/2	off 1/4
Edisto Res	544,300	12	10 1/2	11 5/8	off 5/8

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#90327u1182 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Stock exchange sales for the week ended November 23.

New York Stock Exchange: Stocks - 619, 951,551 shares, compared with 817,688,930 a week earlier and with 507,666,690 the year before. Warrants - 3,556,300 compared with 7,015,800 a week earlier and with 2,402,700 the year before. Bonds - $127,900,000 compared with $190,448,000 a week earlier and with $149,416,000 the year before.

American Stock Exchange: Stocks - 37,218, 035 shares, compared with 50,647,295 a week earlier and with 44,302,935 the year before. Bonds - $11,928,000 compared with $18,287, 000 a week earlier and with $7,583,000 the year before.

Midwest Stock Exchange: Stocks - 29,071, 000 shares, compared with 45,628,000 a week earlier and with 36,703,000 the year before.

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#90327u1188 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	295.90	up	0.32
High Technology	312.06	up	1.70
Capital Goods	312.18	up	2.44
Consumer Goods	376.11	off	0.14
Service	673.06	up	1.02
Retail	935.08	off	5.71
Financial	350.28	off	1.68
Natural Resources	214.50	up	0.22
Housing-Const-Land	215.44	up	4.16

There was a gain of 1 cent in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	390.07	up	1.87
Mid Atlantic	399.54	off	0.04
No Central	385.56	off	1.23
So Atlantic	823.96	off	1.26
So Central	300.40	up	0.04
Mountain	103.08	off	0.79
Pacific	340.52	up	0.02
Foreign	211.51	up	0.73

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#90327u1192 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 23) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended November 23, 1990:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.

Monarch Cap pfA	3 1/2	off	27 1/2
TRW Inc pfB	148 1/2	off	22 3/8
Pitney Bowes pf	140	off	10
CBS Inc	154	off	9 3/4
Square D	54 3/4	up	7 5/8
Pioneer Elec	53	off	7 3/8
Signal Apprl pf	40	up	7
Atl Rich pfF	300 1/2	off	6 5/8
No State Pwr pfH	78 3/8	up	5 3/8
GEICO Corp	153	up	5 1/8
British Gas	47 3/8	up	5
Chase Manh pfC	60	off	5
British Telecom	57 1/8	up	4 5/8
Ohio Pwr pfE	86 1/2	off	4 1/4
Imperial Chem	71	up	4 1/4
UAL Corp	95 3/4	off	4
Capital Cities	401	up	4
Brooke Group	8 1/8	off	4
Citicorp pfA	53 3/4	off	3 3/4
USF&G pfA	28 3/4	off	3 3/4

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#90327u1196 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 23) UPI - Largest net changes among AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended November 23, 1990:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
A pg ut	81 5/8	up	8 1/8
SCE pfI	95 1/2	off	4
FordCda	100	up	3 1/2
A hwp ut	28 1/4	off	3 3/8
Alza A	44 5/8	up	3 1/4
BrFA	71 1/8	up	3 1/4
A gm ut	38 7/8	up	2 7/8
EchoBM	7 1/2	off	2 7/8
Blair	33 3/4	up	2 3/4
A ahp ut	51 3/4	up	2 3/4

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#90327u1200 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended November 23, 1990:

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
MCI Com	(MCIC)	210,229,008	23 5/8	18 1/2	20 1/8	up 3/8
Micrsoft	(MSFT)	86,774,904	70 1/2	67	68 3/4	unch

IntelCp	(INTC)	68,477,400	38 1/4	35 1/4	35 1/2	off	3/4
AppleC	(AAPL)	54,063,200	37	35	36 3/8	up	1/4
ManfNatl	(MNTL)	54,007,000	42 3/4	41 1/2	42	up	1/4
ReuterH	(RTRS)	43,982,800	39	35 1/2	38 3/8	up	1 1/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	38,613,000	55 3/4	52 1/2	53 1/2	unch	
Medco	(MEDG)	28,598,300	29 5/8	28 1/4	29	off	1/2
Novell	(NOVL)	23,530,000	30 3/8	28 1/4	29 1/4	unch	
Nordstrom	(NOBE)	21,837,500	23 1/2	21 3/4	23 1/4	up	1/4

NMS volume 391,997,400 shares.

Advances	2,134
Declines	1,023
Unchanged	841
Total	3,998

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#90327u1207 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

(For Friday)

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	349.04	up	0.27	350.85	456.63
Industrial	376.94	up	0.32	376.59	444.45
Finance	345.80	up	0.89	349.89	523.77
Insurance	415.96	off	0.01	417.32	552.74
Utility	444.25	off	0.13	459.23	740.93
Bank	250.28	up	0.16	252.24	423.23
Transport	385.73	up	0.79	385.37	473.46

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 153.55 up 0.12

Industrial Index 149.86 up 0.14

NASDAQ-100 Index 368.56 up 0.69

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#90327u1208 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Friday 368.56 up 0.69.

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#90327u1209 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
(correcting date)
NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending November 23.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	90.15	90.21	90.10	90.13	up 0.18
10 Utils	92.19	92.23	92.13	92.21	up 0.16
10 Indus	88.11	88.20	88.08	88.05	up 0.02

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#90327u1212 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	349.73	348.45	349.04	up 0.27
Industrial	377.88	376.09	376.94	up 0.32
Finance	345.83	344.48	345.80	up 0.89
Insurance	417.45	414.89	415.96	off 0.01
Utility	447.19	443.87	444.25	off 0.13
Bank	250.61	248.12	250.28	up 0.16
Transport	385.92	382.33	385.73	up 0.79

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44
NASDAQ National Market System indexes
(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	153.55 up 0.12
Industrial Index	149.86 up 0.14
NASDAQ-100 Index	368.56 up 0.69

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share	7.94 unchanged
Volume	41,313,900 shares
Advances	662
Declines	596
Unchanged	1,516
Total	2,774

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#90327u1214 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter --day as supplied by NASD.

Volume	69,415,900
Advances	808
Declines	703
Unchanged	2,686
Total	4,197

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#90327u1216 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 435.40, off 0.07 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90327u1247 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 23) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week
By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Nov 23, 1990	42	186	831	975	326	2132
Nov 16, 1990	59	242	1300	628	238	2166
Nov 24, 1989	115	144	851	922	318	2091
Nov 25, 1988	54	140	789	973	358	2120

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ST. PAUL, MN (NOV. 23) UPI - Officials of the nation's two largest fur farm organizations claimed Friday that animal rights activists lost ground this year in garnering public support of their cause.

Harold DeHart of the Fur Farm Animal Welfare Coalition and Skip Lea of the National Board of Fur Farm Organizations said public and legislative support for animal rights groups is beginning to erode as their objectives become more widely known. Fur industry leaders say the animal rights activists do not just want to stop the use of fur for clothing but also to eliminate the use of animals for food, medical research and other purposes.

DeHart quoted Ingrid Newkirk of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals as saying ''there is no rational basis for saying that a human being has special rights. A rat is a pig is a dog is a boy.''

''A year ago at this time, most people laughed at the idea that activists were attacking fur as the first step in a long-term campaign to eliminate all

animal use,'' DeHart said. ''Now, after a year of protests against everything from medical research to the consumption of hamburger, they're realizing what this movement is really about. It's really about a value system which recognizes no distinction between human beings and mice or rats.''

Animal rights groups have stepped up their activities in Minnesota recently as winter approaches and more people are likely to buy fur coats. They have held protests outside the fur industry organizations' offices and have taken out billboards across the state urging people not to buy furs.

DeHart and Lea said there have been a string of defeats for the animal rights activists this year, including the lop-sided defeat of a proposal to ban the sale of fur in Aspen, Colo., in February, the defeat of an animal rights initiative in Telluride, Colo., in November and U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan's characterization of animal rights activists as ''terrorists'' in June. They also cited congressional opposition to animal rights that resulted in the formation of the bi-partisan Animal Welfare Caucus headed by Rep. Vin Weber, R- Minn., widespread congressional support for a House bill making it a federal offensive to break into fur farms or laboratories for the purpose of seizing animals or other records, and the fact that a June 10 animal rights rally in Washington, D.C., drew 24,000 people, or fewer than predicted.

In addition, they said radio stations in at least six states launched boycotts against country singer k.d. lang, who attacked meat consumption in a PETA commercial called ''Meat Stinks.''

''We've come a long way during the last year,'' Lea said. ''People are finally beginning to realize what's really at stake.''

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(NOV. 24) UPI - With only six weekends to go in the regular season, 22 of the NFL's 28 teams still have a shot at a playoff berth, though chances are remote at best for some of them.

Among the longest of long shots are the two Thanksgiving Day winners - Detroit and Dallas.

The Lions, 4-7 after Thursday's 40-27 victory over Denver, have five games left and in the unlikely event they won the rest would finish 9-7, good enough for a postseason berth. Dallas is 5-7 after its 27-17 upset of Washingon and has four games and a bye remaining.

The Cowboys could also finish 9-7 and draw a wild-card berth if a four-game sweep happened.

The only teams given no chance for the playoffs so far are the 1-9 New England Patriots, 2-8 Cleveland Browns, 3-8 Denver Broncos, 2-8 Phoenix Cardinals, 3-7 Atlanta Falcons and 3-7 Los Angeles Rams.

With all the possibilities remaining, the only game Sunday without playoff ramifications is New England at Phoenix, two teams whose fans at this point are more concerned about who gets the No. 1 draft choice next spring with the worst record in the NFL.

If the magic record for the last wild-card berth drops to 8-8, teams with only three losses - the Broncos, Falcons and Rams - would be in the chase mathematically, but only mathematically.

The Cowboys could get to 8-8 by winning three out of four.

''I told this team after we got beat by the Jets (Nov. 4), that if they kept working, if they believed in what we were doing, good things would happen,'' Cowboys Coach Jimmy Johnson said.

This year there will be three wild-card teams in each conference and a total of four games during the first weekend of the playoffs Jan. 5-6. The division champion with the worst record in each conference will join the three wild-card teams in the first round.

In the past, there were only two wild card teams in each conference. While all three division winners took the week off, the wild cards would play for the opportunity to meet the division winner with the best record.

The addition of a wild card in each conference has created a myriad of possibilities. Late-season games which once would have had no meaning now become important. It also creates healthy crowds where once there would be anemic attendance.

On the other hand, critics say teams at the .500 level or only one game above it at 9-7 have no business being rewarded by being allowed to take part in postseason play.

If the season were to end now, the NFC division winners would be San Francisco the New York Giants and the Chicago Bears. The three wild cards would be 6-4 Philadelphia, 6-5 Washington, and 5-5 Green Bay.

In the AFC, division winners would be Buffalo, Cincinnati and the Los Angeles Raiders. Wild cards would be 8-2 Miami, 6-4 Kansas City and 5-5 Pittsburgh. The Oilers also have posted a 5-5 record but lost to Pittsburgh early in the season and therefore would lose the first tiebreaker. The two teams play again in their final regular-season game.

The top game of the weekend has the unbeaten New York Giants at the

Philadelphia Eagles, who at 6-4 could be scrambling for playoff position if they lose. Other games have Kansas City at the Raiders, the Rams at San Francisco, Atlanta at New Orleans, Chicago at Minnesota, Indianapolis at Cincinnati, Tampa Bay against Green Bay at Milwaukee, Pittsburgh at the Jets and Seattle at San Diego.

The Bills can have a lot to say about Houston's chances for either an AFC Central title or a wild-card berth in its game Monday night against the Oilers at the Astrodome.

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(NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush is in Geneva, Switzerland, for talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad, a long-time foe who relations with Washington have thawed because of the Persian Gulf crisis. Syria has committed troops to the multi-national force in Operation Desert Shield to protect Saudi Arabia.

The Persian Gulf is expected to dominate the Bush-Assad meeting today, but U-S Ambassador to Syria Edward Djerejian told reporters that a wide range of subjects will be covered. Bush is expected to ask Assad how he would react in the event of war between U- S-led forces and Iraq.

Thus far, syria has opposed the use of force. It says it sent troops to Saudi Arabia merely to help protect that nation from Iraqi troops in adjoining Kuwait. Assad told reporters before the talks began that- quoting now- ''We have divergent points of view on some issues. We will discuss a number of problems.''

Earlier, Bush met with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, and the two leaders expressed support for military action to drive Iraq out of Kuwait. Bush told reporters that neither the United States nor Egypt has given up on a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis but that the world is ''getting tired'' of the status quo.

A senior aide says President Corazon Aquino today rejected a Kuwaiti request for military aid in the Persian Gulf crisis because the Philippine army has its hands full at home. But the aide says Aquino did agree to provide humanitarian aide- a medical team- to the region.

Bulgarian Prime Minister Andrei Loukanov today survived a NO-confidence vote in his Parliament and vowed to retain control of the government in the face of a nation-wide strike called for next week. Opposition parties walked out of Parliament when the vote was announced.

New York City vagrants are asking the U-S Supreme Court for a special gift this holiday season... the right to beg in the city's huge subway system. A group of the city's poorest residents filed a class-action suit that claims a

1989 regulation prohibiting panhandling in the subway system violates free speech and 14th Amendment equal-protection rights.

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(NOV. 23) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Reduced				
Ameritrust Corp	Q	.16	12-10	12-3
Distribution				
Colonial Hi Incm Muni	M	.07 1/2	12-14	11-30
Colonial Interm Hi Inc	M	.07 1/2	12-14	11-30
Colonial Muni Incm Tr	M	.06	12-14	11-30
Usual				
Bancroft Cnvrtbl Fund	..	.41	12-27	12-7
Cal Rep Bancorp	Q	.10	12-14	12-3
First Inter-Bancorp	Q	.10	12-31	12-21
GBC Bancorp	Q	.08	1-15	12-31
Hyperion Total Ret Fd	M	.10	12-14	12-4

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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GENEVA (NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush ended a grueling week of diplomacy on the Persian Gulf crisis with key European and Middle East leaders with a hastily arranged meeting on Friday with Syrian President Hafez al Assad.

Both leaders agreed during almost three hours of ''full and frank'' discussions ''that Kuwait's territory and legitimate government must be restored fully,'' according to a statement released by the White House.

Although the two leaders are split over a military option to drive Iraq's Saddam Hussein from the tiny, oil-rich emirate he invaded and annexed in August, the statement said both agreed that the occupation is ''unacceptable'' as are partial solutions.

''We have divergent points of view on some issues,'' Assad told reporters before the meeting, which according to the White House statement, also included talks on western hostages in Lebanon and international terrorism.

Assad has said Syria wants Iraqi forces out of Kuwait but opposes use of

force. He maintains that Syrian troops were sent to Saudi Arabia only to help U.S.-led multinational forces defend that country.

But Bush, who left for Washington after the meeting, says that ''Mr. Assad is lined up with us on the commitment of force'' ''That doesn't mean we don't have differences with Syria ... but they will be on the front line.''

The meeting capped an eight-day European and Middle East tour by Bush, seeking support for possible military force to liberate Kuwait.

Syria, a longtime adversary of the United States, is a hard-line Arab state accused by the State Department of sponsoring terrorism. It has pledged to send 15,000 troops to the multinational force, however.

Bush, who earlier Friday met in Cairo with Eygptian President Hosni Mubarak, brushed off criticism from Israel for his decision to become the first U.S. president to meet with a Syrian leader since Jimmy Carter did so in 1977.

''I have no problem sitting down with him,'' said Bush. ''This relates to the reversal of aggression, not only in the interest of the United States but to every country in the Middle East and that includes Israel.''

The meeting was arranged this week at the urging of Arab leaders.

Edward Djerejian, U.S. ambassador to Damascus, who traveled with Bush to Geneva from Cairo, was asked by reporters if the United States is making Assad look like an ally in instituting the unusual face-to-face talks with him.

Djerejian replied, ''Where there are mutual interests, we work together.'' He cited the Persian Gulf and Lebanon where Syria has had troops since 1975.

Although relations between the United States and Syria remain strained, they have thawed noticeably since Assad committed troops to protect Saudi Arabia from a possible attack by Iraq.

The Syrian government has joined other Arab nations in condemning Iraq, but has distanced itself from suggestions that military action may have to be taken to end Iraq's occupation.

Bush was expected to ask Assad how Syria would react if war erupted between U.S.-led forces and Iraq. He was also likely to seek help in obtaining the release of six American hostages thought to be held in Beirut.

The president and Mubarak both expressed support for possible military force.

Bush said he and Mubarak have not given up on a peaceful solution, but added, ''We are getting tired of the status quo and so is the rest of the world.''

Mubarak dodged questions on whether Egyptian troops would be sent to fight alongside multinational forces. ''I'm not in a position to tell you the details,'' he told reporters.

During the past week, Bush has found mixed support for military force.

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl told him that a greater emphasis should be placed on trying to find a negotiated settlement. Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev advocated patience.

They both said that U.N.-mandated sanctions should be given more time to pressure Saddam to peacefully withdraw from Kuwait, although they said that force should not be ruled out.

Bush has called for a U.N. hearing next week on the treatment of the Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, apparently in an effort to build support for a U.N. resolution that would authorize military action.

The United States holds the chairmanship of the 15-member U.N. Security Council until the end of November. The post rotates on a monthly basis and Yemen is next in line.

Yemen leaders, in a setback to the U.S. position, told Secretary of State James Baker on Thursday that they oppose the presence and possible use of force in the Persian Gulf.

During the past week, Bush made stops in Czechoslovakia, Germany, Paris, Saudi Arabia and Egypt. He also gave a Thanksgiving Day pep talk to U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.59	9.21
Anchor Fund Inv	13.67	14.50
Delaware Mutual	16.68	17.89
Fidelity Fund	16.02	16.02
Investor Mutual	10.87	11.44
Investor Stocks	17.90	18.85
Investor Select	8.42	8.86
IDS Equity Plus	8.61	9.06
MFS Growth Stk	8.16	8.80
Nicholas Income	3.07	3.07
Utd Accumulated	6.02	6.58

United Income	16.31	17.83
Vang Wellington	16.08	16.08

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LONDON (NOV. 23) UPI - Author Roald Dahl, who delighted youngsters with whimsical yarns such as ''Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'' and ''James and the Giant Peach,'' died Friday of an infection, hospital officials said. He was 74.

Dahl, who was admitted to John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford earlier this month for treatment of an unspecified ailment, died at the hospital from a massive infection, doctors and hospital officials said.

The British author penned a long string of children's books, including ''James and the Giant Peach'' in 1962, and several short story collections.

But he was best remembered for his classic 1964 book ''Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'' and its 1972 sequel, ''Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator,'' in which a poor youngster meets and eventually becomes heir to mysterious candy king Willy Wonka.

Dahl also wrote screenplays for the 1967 James Bond film ''You Only Live Twice '' the 1968 fantasy ''Chitty Chitty Bang Bang'' and the 1971 screen adaptation of his book first Charlie book, ''Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory.''

Dahl once said he was able to write his bizarre tales by adopting the mindset of a child. ''Children are basically crueler than adults. They don't squirm when they step on a slug,'' he said.

The writer was born Llandaff Dahl on Sept. 13, 1916, in South Wales, the son of Harold and Sofie Dahl. He served as a wing commander for the Royal Air Force in World War II and published his first book, ''The Gremlins,'' in 1943.

Dahl married Oscar-winning actress Patricia Neal in 1953 and had five children in a 30-year marriage filled with love but marred by tragedy.

Their eldest child, Olivia, died of measles complications in 1962 when they were unable to obtain vaccine, and their son Theo was severely injured in 1961 when his baby carriage was struck by a taxi cab in New York.

Dahl helped nurse Neal back to health after she suffered three strokes in 1965 that left her in a wheelchair. Her astonishing recovery aroused so much interest that she later made lecture tours across the United States with the message - written for her by Dahl - that life was worth fighting for.

Their stormy marriage, once described as one of the greatest modern love

stories, ended in 1983 when Neal filed for divorce because of Dahl's longstanding love affair with her secretary.

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(adding DJ commodity index prices). NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended November 23:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2563.61	2580.69	2502.72	2527.23	off 23.02
20 Trans	869.45	879.07	841.53	844.12	off 20.34
15 Utils	209.19	210.14	205.86	209.00	up 0.31
65 Stocks	895.65	902.28	873.73	881.67	off 13.50

20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

90.15 90.21 90.10 90.13 up 0.18

Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

125.81 125.81 124.35 125.21 off 0.60

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SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (NOV. 23) UPI - Rebels shot down an A-37 Salvadoran air force plane Friday during fighting with the army in the eastern province of Usultan, witnesses and military sources said.

''We saw the plane being shot down by rebels with Sam 7 ground-to-air missles '' said a witness who asked to be identified only as a local resident.

The witness said the plane was bombarding rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, who since Wednesday had been attacking an army post near Santa Elena, Usultan, 57 miles east of the capital.

A spokesman for army operations in Usultan said the plane was forced down at 1:50 p.m. Friday.

''I don't know the details of the incident or whether it was shot down with ground-to-air missiles,'' he said.

The armed forces said an A-37 air force plane ''had an accident'' in Usultan, leaving one of the pilots dead. They said the other pilot managed to eject from the cockpit.

''A commission is investigating the incident to determine the real causes of the accident,'' a military spokesman said.

Another army official confirmed heavy combat in Usulatan Friday.

The U.S. Embassy said the rebel offensive that began Tuesday has left 179 people dead, including civilians, rebels and soldiers, and 359 wounded.

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EAST WENATCHEE, WA (NOV. 23) UPI - A group of 11 central Washington apple growers will file a lawsuit next Wednesday claiming heavy losses in sales following the ''Alar scare'' that shook the apple industry in 1989.

Defendants in the suit involving the texture and color-enhancing chemical include CBS' ''60 Minutes,'' the Natural Resources Defense Council (NDRC) and the public relations firm Fenton Communications, a spokesman for the lawsuit said Friday.

Burt Chestnut of East Wenatchee, in the heart of Washington's $700 million-a-year apple industry, said the class-action suit will be filed in state court in Yakima, Wash., on Wednesday morning.

Chestnut said the plaintiffs will seek at least $250 million in damages for Washington apple growers whose sales were hurt by reports initiated by the NRDC and Fenton Communications and broadcast by CBS.

But he said that's not the main reason for the suit.

''The money is not the concern we have,'' he said. ''The concern is that we get back to reality and basics and let people know that our food is safe and these people (those publicizing dangers posed by chemicals) have got to start being responsible.''

Even before the 1989 news about Alar, many Washington growers had already stopped using it - a fact they contend was lost in the fear about an NRDC study on Alar-produced tumors in laboratory mice that suggested apples posed a cancer risk for school-aged children.

A February 1989 ''60 Minutes'' report publicized the study, touching off a national scare. A handful of school districts from California to the East Coast temporarily halted purchases of apples and sales dropped off drastically in March.

Apple industry experts responded that to reach the same level of exposure as the laboratory animals, a human would need to consume some 28,000 pounds of apples daily for 70 years.

Industry leaders invited actress Meryl Streep, a national speaker for the anti-Alar campaign, to come to Washington and see how low Alar use was.

In August 1989, the federal government awarded $9.5 million to growers to compensate them for giving away 57.5 million pounds of apples as a way of reducing a glut of unwanted apples on the market.

By January 1990, the Washington Apple Commission estimated the scare had cost Washington growers in excess of $100 million. It launched a $3 million national campaign to encourage ''healthy choices'' - including eating apples.

Apple prices were depressed further this year by a bumper crop that made it difficult to move fruit that had been piling up in warehouses.

All along, growers contended that use of Alar was already down before the scare of 1989.

In July 1986, Safeway, the nation's largest supermarket chain, agreed in response to a campaign mounted by Ralph Nader in conjunction with the independent Consumers Union, which publishes Consumer Reports, not to sell any apples treated with Alar. In January 1987, A&P, Farmer Jack's, Giant, Grand Union and Kroser's followed suit.

Although the Washington Apple Commission stated at that time that Alar use in the state was as low as 5 percent of all growers, a new Consumer Union study in New York in March 1989 found Alar residue in 44 different brand-name apple juices and 55 percent of apples tested - though at levels well below government standards.

Government and food industry officials already critical of the claims by NRDC claimed the Consumers Union report confirmed Alar does not pose a significant public health risk. The EPA, the Food and Drug Administration and Agriculture Department noted the low residue levels - the highest reading in apple juice was 1.8 parts per million - compared to the 20 part-per-million standard.

Alar production was voluntarily discontinued by its maker, Uniroyal, in June 1989. In March 1990, the EPA lowered the permissible level of Alar to 5 parts per million in apples and also lowered the allowable levels for the chemical in cherries, grapes, nectarines, peaches, peanuts and pears.

Chestnut said growers now want to clear their product's name and make sure the general news media is responsible about reporting similar stories in the future.

He said the lawsuit's plaintiffs lobbied for financial supporters among apple growers and non-apple growers, both in Washington and nationally. Chestnut said the war chest grew to over $300,000 in the first two weeks.

''We came out with a letter to the growers stating that we'd like to have some money and that if we didn't file by the first of December they'd get their money back,'' he said.

''We wanted to test the water to see if there's anybody behind us. And, Holy mackerel! We couldn't believe it. There's a lot of people behind us.''

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(NOV. 24) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

Baseball

Bo Diaz, a veteran catcher who spent 13 years in the major leagues, was crushed to death by an antenna while repairing a television satellite dish on the roof of his home outside Caracas, Venezuela. He was 37. Diaz played with Boston, Cleveland, Philadelphia and Cincinnati.

Boxing

Christophe Tiozzo of France stopped American challenger Danny Morgan in the second round outside Paris to retain his WBC super middleweight title. Morgan, Indianapolis, had won his previous 40 fights and was ranked seventh by the WBC. Tiozzo extended his winning streak to 28 fights. ... England's Herol Graham and Julian Jackson of the Virgin Islands will fight Saturday night for the vacant WBC middleweight title in Benalmadena, Spain. ... Heavyweight contender Donovan ''Razor'' Ruddock will fight a 10-round bout against Mike Rouse Dec. 8 on the undercard of the Mike Tyson-Alex Stewart card at Atlantic City, N.J. ... The estranged wife of Trevor Berbick wants Circuit Judge James Reasbeck removed from her divorce case against the former heavyweight champ for saying they should make up or they would find themselves back in the ghetto. The case in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., reached the headlines two weeks ago when Berbick held Novellette Hanse, his business manager and a family friend, at gunpoint and demanded to know his wife's whereabouts. He was charged with assault with a firearm and false imprisonment and released on $7,500 bail.

Football

Running back Leonard Conley has been suspended indefinitely from the No. 2 Miami Hurricanes for unspecified rules violations. Conley is the team's second leading rusher. ... Joe Krivak will be retained as Maryland's football coach Monday. This year, the Terrapins enjoyed their first winning season under Krivak. Maryland upset Virginia this season and is headed for the Independence Bowl. ... Quarterback Frankie DeBusk and linebacker Kevin Kendrick gave Furman a sweep of the offensive and defensive players of the year in the Southern Conference. Charlie Taaffe of The Citadel was named coach of the year, with

Furman's Jimmy Satterfield second. East Tennessee State tailback Derrick Hollins was freshman of the year.

Golf

England will take a one-shot lead into Saturday's final round of the World Cup at Orlando, Fla. Germany is second among two-man teams from 32 nations. The United States, represented by Payne Stewart and Jodie Mudd, is fourth, five strokes back.

Hockey

The New Jersey Devils assigned forward Alan Stewart and defenseman Tommy Albelin to Utica of the American Hockey League for conditioning. ... Army will leave the Eastern College Atheltic Conference to become a Division I independent beginning in the 1991-92 season.

Soccer

West Virginia Wesleyan plays Boca Raton for the NAIA soccer title Saturday. In Friday's semis at Boca Raton, Fla., West Virginia Wesleyan blanked Lander (S.C.) 1-0 and Boca Raton beat Rockhurst (Mo.) 2-1.

Tennis

The U.S. team of Scott Davis and David Pate will play the French- Swiss duo of Guy Forget and Jacob Hlasek, and Canadians Grant Connell and Glenn Michibata will play Spain's Sergio Casal and Emilio Sanchez in the semifinals of the $1 million ATP World Doubles Final in Australia.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - The following is Money Magazine's Small Investor Index (Dec. 31, 1989 average equals 100):

This week 100.60, off 0.14 or 0.14 percent, compared with 100.74 the previous week.

The week's change for each asset:

Category	PC Chg. Index	PC Chg. Week Ago	PC Chg. Year Ago
Stocks			
Blue chips	92.91	off 0.50	off 4.42
Small stocks	77.40	off 1.74	off 23.48
Equity funds	90.61	off 0.80	off 7.85
Bonds			
Taxable bonds	106.30	up 0.37	up 6.53

Municipal bonds	108.00	off	0.22	up	6.80
Bond funds	99.95	up	0.23	off	0.29
Cash					
CDs	107.14	up	0.14	up	7.94
Money funds	105.39	up	0.11	up	6.00
Other					
Real estate	101.24	off	0.03	up	1.73
Gold	80.57	off	0.37	off	19.30

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#90327u1405 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 23) UPI - More than 1,200 animal rights activists gathered at Manhattan's Columbus Circle Friday for a brief, peaceful demonstration against the sale of fur, police said.

The more than 1,200 protesters, organized by the group Animal Rights Movement, began arriving at the edge of Central Park at 3:15 p.m. and had dispersed by 2:45 p.m., said officer Kim Royster, a police spokeswoman.

''The group apparently was there to make it known that it opposes the sale and wearing of fur,'' Royster said. ''The protest was peaceful and there were no arrests.''

An Animal Rights Movement spokeswoman said some of the protesters later marched to Times Square.

''We're trying to educate the people in a broad sense about what happens to animals who are killed for their fur,'' she said.

Carol Wynne, director of the Fur Information Council of America in New York, responded in a separate interview, ''We believe the demonstrators have a right to protest. But consumers have a right to wear fur, too.''

Wynne said her organization's statistics indicate that anti-fur demonstrations do not discourage consumers from buying fur coats.

She said fur coat sales rose from slightly under $1 billion in 1980 to $1.9 billion in 1989, despite numerous anti-fur protests in the middle and late 1980s.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 23) UPI - Several gay couples who tried to obtain marriage licenses Friday were turned away because of a state law that prohibits the legal unions of same-sex partners.

Two gay activist groups - Queer Nation and Citizens for Gay Action - decried the rejections as discrimination and vowed to fight to have the law changed.

''It's being denied to us to be part of a family,'' said Steve Kleinedler, 24. He said although he was nervous about taking a public stand, it must be done to help change the public's perception of gays.

Without legal marriages, gays and lesbians are deprived of such rights as hospital visitation, inclusion on insurance, immigration status and parenting, the activists said.

''There are privileges given to married couples that are not given to everybody,'' said Kleinedler's partner, Charles Ward, 28.

State law says ''a marriage between a man and a woman licensed, solemnized and registered as provided in this act is valid in this state.''

''Obviously, when they wrote (the law), they didn't think gays and lesbians would want to get married,'' said Jeff King, 23, of Chicago.

King and his partner were among several couples who tried to apply for marriage licenses Friday at the Cook County Marriage License Department.

James Romberg, deputy director of vital services, said Friday's applications were being handled on a case-by-case basis, but he added, ''We're bound to follow the law.''

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(NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush wrapped up his eight-day European and Mideast tour today in one-on-one talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad. The two met with top aides for two and one-half hours before going into a one-on-one session with just a translator. Bush was expected to ask Assad what his reaction would be if U-S-led forces launched a military strike against Iraqi forces occupying Kuwait. Assad has opposed the use of the military option in the Persian Gulf crisis, though he also opposes the Iraqi invasion of its neighbor.

Bush got unqualified support for the military option today from Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. The two met for more than two hours in Cairo, then told reporters that they shared a desire for a peaceful solution to the crisis but would launch a military operation, if necessary.

The State Department today authorized U-S Embassy dependents to leave Sudan and warned American private citizens to leave the country, where large anti-American and pro-Iraqi demonstrations have been staged. The revolutionary military government in Sudan has sided with Iraq in the Persian Gulf crisis,

and well-managed demonstrations have been reported in Khartoum and other cities.

A German economics institute says former East German Communist leaders gave state security agents orders to go underground to run companies previously owned by the state. The report by the Cologne-based German Economic Institute says the plan started as soon as the Berlin Wall fell on November 9th, 1989. It says the East German Communist Party and the state security apartus designated a core group of agents to infiltrate state-owned companies.

NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner predicted in Budapest that the western military alliance will be around for years to come, though its role may become increasingly political. Woerner is the first NATO chief ever to visit Hungary. Woerner said the crises in the Persian Gulf and in the Balkans are examples of the type of things that will continue to make the alliance necessary long after the Cold War is a memory.

The private relief group AmeriCares says it will airlift more than 340-thousand pounds of food and medicines to the Soviet Union during the Christmas holiday. The group says the first two flights will leave Connecticut on December 23rd and December 26th, with a third planned for late January. The group announced in New Canaan, Connecticut, that its aid is designed to help children, orphanages, hospitals and older people get through the harsh Russian winter.

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(NOV. 24) UPI - Anti-fur activists marched through the streets of several major cities Friday, heckling consumers in upscale shopping districts from New York to Beverly Hills in an effort to discourage holiday shoppers from buying fur.

The fifth annual Fur-Free Friday was marked with demonstrations in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle. There were no immediate reports of arrests, officials said.

Scattered demonstrations - timed to coincide with the traditional beginning of the Christmas shopping season - were also held in suburban shopping malls nd small town commercial districts around the country.

Animal rights activists said the protests were aimed not only at discouraging consumers from buying fur, but also at preventing purchasers from buying other animal products, such as leather.

In Chicago, more than 200 protesters gathered in front of a fur store and the Water Tower Place mall, chanting ''Fur is murder. Fur is dead. Don't wear furs.''

The demonstrators also passed out anti-fur literature to people entering a fur salon and dogged fur-wearing shoppers on upscale Michigan Avenue. People wearing fur coats were greeted with chants of ''Shame them.''

The targets of the hecklers often seemed unfazed. One woman dressed in fur said, ''Look at all the leather shoes and the leather purses. How many of them do you think ate Thanksgiving turkey? This is foolish.''

New York police said more than 1,200 animal rights activists jammed Manhattan's Columbus Circle for a brief, peaceful afternoon demonstration organized by the group Animal Rights Movement. Some protesters later marched to Times Square.

''We believe the demonstrators have a right to protest. But consumers have a right to wear fur, too,'' said Carol Wynne, director of the Fur Information Council of America in New York, an industry group.

Wynne said the numerous anti-fur demonstrations organized during holiday seasons since the mid-1980s have not hurt fur sales, noting that the fur industry had record sales during the winter of 1989.

In Beverly Hills, police estimated that more than 200 placard- carrying protesters marched though the streets of one of the nation's most expensive shopping districts.

Bill Dyer, a staff member of Animal Voice Magazine, said the 2 1/2-hour post-Thanksgiving march in Beverly Hills was the biggest in the five years he has participated.

Another protest was staged at the Harris Co. department store in the San Bernardino Central City Mall.

In San Francisco, an estimated 300 protesters, including rock star Grace Slick fanned out among stores in the swanky Union Square shopping area to demand that leather and fur products be taken off the racks.

''By the time we're through you won't find anything like that on the shelves '' said protester Doll Stanley.

Police and store managers said there was no disruption of shopping and no arrests.

A similar protest in San Diego's Fashion Valley shopping mall brought out more than a dozen demonstrators who carried signs depicting trapped animals and slogans such as ''fur is murder.'' The primary targets were Neimann-Marcus and Furs by Graf.

About 300 animal-rights activists and their supporters staged a ''March Against Fur'' rally in Seattle. Mitchell Fox, spokesman for the Progressive Animal Welfare Society, or PAWS, said the group wanted to ''make Seattle the most liveable city for fur-bearing animals.''

Protests also were held in at least five Pennsylvania cities: Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Harrisburg, Erie and Wilkes-Barre.

Sylvie Pomicter, president of Central Pennsylvanians for Animal Rights, said ''A lot of stores are discontinuing furs. I see a day coming when there won't be any furs at all.''

Pomicter said the group provided a trash can at a Harrisburg, Pa., protest to allow people with furs to dispose of them.

Anticipating the protests, the fur industry took out full-page advertisements in newspapers throughout the country to contest charges that animals are treated inhumanely for their fur.

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#90327u1704 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush is on his way back to the White House after a historic eight-day trip to Europe and the Middle East that ended today in Geneva, Switzerland. Bush spent several hours in talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad... two and one-half hours in a session with top aides and then in a private, one-on-one meeting with just an interpreter.

Earlier, Bush met with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. Both then told reporters that they want a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. But they added that they also are willing to use the military option, if necessary.

Diplomats at the United Nations say the foreign ministers of some of the 15 members of the U-N Security Council will meet next week for a special debate on the Persian Gulf crisis. That debate is expected to focus on a resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq in Kuwait.

The Soviet U-N ambassador says Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze will attend the special meeting. The Soviet ambassador also proposed that the Security Council issue what he termed ''a strong and serious warning'' for Iraq to get out of Kuwait.

Agriculture Secretary Yeutter is out with his darkest assessment yet on world trade talks. Yeutter said that the world trade negotiations stand only a slim change for success. In the past, Yeutter has strongly criticized European intransigence on agricultural reform.

Today, he indicated that the United States may be willing to compromise, but

he added that the European Community must be more forthcoming.

An Army Reserve helicopter crashed in Oklahoma last night while training for possible Middle Eastern deployment. Today, rescue teams have been searching a lake near Lawton for the helicopter's civilian instructor pilot. He is missing... although five reservists were rescued.

Scheduled talks between the striking Newspaper Guild and the New York Daily News management failed to materialize today. Negotiators could NOT get a federal mediator to join them. A union spokesman says they'll try again to get together next week. The Daily News strike is in its 30th day.

The Puerto Rican singing group Menudo has ousted two of its members. Sergio Gonzales and Ruben Gomez were fired from the band after their arrest on drug charges at the Miami Airport last night. The arrests tarnished the image of the clean-cut group, which has been active in anti-drug campaigns aimed at young teens.

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#90327u1784 11/23/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush is on his way home. Bush wrapped up his visit to Europe and the Middle East with a stop in Geneva to meet with Syrian President Assad. The White House issued a statement saying they agreed that Kuwait's territory and legitimate government must be restored. But Bush and Assad did NOT agree whether force should be used to drive Iraq's troops out of Kuwait.

Nuclear experts both inside and outside the U-S government disagree with President Bush. The experts disagree with the president's warning that an Iraqi nuclear weapon may be only months away from development. Bush said in Saudi Arabia yesterday those who estimate the time in terms of years ''may be seriously underestimating'' Iraq's progress toward a nuclear weapon.

Oil prices went up on the world markets today because of jitters over the potential for war in the Persian Gulf. The bench-mark U-S crude for immediate delivery... West Texas Intermediate... rose two dollars and 27 cents, to 31 dollars and 90 cents. But trading was extremely light- normal for the day after Thanksgiving.

Poland called on the West today to help its reforms by providing extra aid for the next two years. Prime Minister Mazowiecki Mah-zoh- VYEHT'-skee says Poland needs more time to turn its communist economic system into a capitalist one. Mazowiecki made the appeal at a conference of the Group of 24- the world's most developed countries. The meeting was in Warsaw.

Letters written by Cuba's Fidel Castro reveal Castro asked Nikita Khruschev to use the atomic bomb against the United States if the U-S invaded Cuba during

the 1962 missile crisis. Khruschev rejected the request. The letter Castro wrote the Soviet leader is going to be in a book written by a French author.

Cuba is selling off Million of dollars worth of its national art treasures to raise money. A leading art monthly, the Journal of Art, says Cuba is exporting art and antiques to Europe for sale... even though Cuban law prohibits such exports.

Author Roald Dahl is dead at the age of 74. Dahl delighted children with stories such as ''Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'' and ''James and the Giant Peach.'' He also wrote screeplays for the James Bond film ''You Only Live Twice'' and the fantasy ''Chitty Chitty Bang Bang.'' Dahl died in London today.

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#90327u1934 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 23) UPI - President and Mrs. Bush are flying home to Washington tonight. They left Geneva this evening after Bush met with Syrian President Assad. The Syrian leader did NOT endorse using military force to oust Iraq's troops from Kuwait. But he agreed that the Iraqis must leave the emirate.

A Baptist minister plans to take food and medicine to Iraq for the second time despite the U-N embargo. The Reverend George Williamson of Granville, Ohio, says moral law is more important than civil law. In October, his group delivered one-thousand pounds of medicine to Baghdad.

Thanksgiving is just over. But the G-I in charge of holiday meals for troops involved in Operation Desert Shield is already planning for Christmas. Chief Warrant Officer Wesley Wolf expects about twice as many people to feed at Christmas... 400-thousand.

Animal rights activists say they demonstrated against fur today in about 100 cities across the nation. More than 12-hundred gathered in New York City for a peaceful rally. Hecklers confronted people wearing fur coats in Chicago, chanting ''shame them.''

Officials of the nation's two largest fur farm organizations claim that animal rights activists lost ground this year in winning public support of their cause. The Fur Farm Animal Welfare Coalition and the National Board of Fur Farm Organizations say most people don't want to eliminate the use of animals for food and medical research.

11 central Washington apple growers plan to file a lawsuit. They claim heavy losses in sales because of the Alar scare that shook the apple industry last year. They plan to seek at least 250-Million dollars in damages from the Natural Resources Defense Council, C-B-S and the public relations firm Fenton Communications.

Brown University says it will provide help for every student who complains of assault or harassment on the campus in Providence, Rhode Island. Brown is responding to student outcry over sexual assaults on women and anonymously posted lists of alleged male rapists on bathroom walls.

The U-S Embassy in El Salvador says the rebel offensive that began Tuesday has killed 179 people. Rebels shot down a government plane today during fighting in an eastern province. The military says one pilot was killed.

Czechoslovakia says it will make payments totaling more than 800- Million dollars to victims of Stalinist purges. The national parliament also officially recognized such victims as ''resistance heroes.''

A law professor is in Wisconsin to fulfill his dream of becoming the first person to visit every county in the United States. John Black, who teaches at Western State University College of Law in Fullerton, California, plans to visit his last 12 counties by tomorrow.

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#90327u2064 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 23) UPI - President Bush met with a long-time adversary of the United States today... Syrian President Assad. Bush asked Assad to endorse using military force to oust Iraq's troops from Kuwait. But Assad would NOT agree... even though Syria has pledged to send 15-thousand troops to the multi-national force. Assad did agree with Bush that Iraq should free Kuwait.

The government reports that the United States began the new fiscal year with a budget deficit in October. The deficit of about 31 and one- half BILLION dollars follows a surplus in September, but a shortfall for the year. Economists predict fiscal 1991 will end with a record deficit in the neighborhood of 176 BILLION dollars.

Representatives of the world's 24 most developed countries are heading home from Warsaw after hearing an appeal from Poland's reform- minded government. Prime Minister Mazowiecki said Poland is UNable to service its foreign debt. He called on the West... including the United States... to give Poland extra aid for the next two years.

The food shortage in the Soviet Union is getting a response from AmeriCares. The humanitarian group says it will airlift more than 340- thousand pounds of food and medicine to Soviet orphanages and hospitals during the Christmas holiday. The Soviet parliament today gave President Gorbachev two weeks to prepare urgent measures to increase the food supply.

Flood warnings are up for several rivers in western Washington state. A Pacific storm is causing showers along the rain-soaked Washington coast. Rain

also fell in eastern New England, northern Florida, northwest Montana and Oregon today. Parts of Michigan received snow. Early in the day, fog rolled across much of the East.

A non-profit group... the Blue Star Foundation in Birmingham, Michigan... has created a line of greeting cards for people to send to G-I's this Christmas. Profits from the sale of the cards will go to the United Service Organization. The U-S-O provides entertainment for servicemen around the world and is supported by donations.

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#90327u2149 11/23/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 23) UPI - President and Mrs. Bush are flying home after eight days overseas. Geneva was the final stop on their eight-day tour of Europe and the Middle East. Bush tried to drum up support for possible use of the military option against Iraq. He also attended the symbolic ending of the Cold War, a treaty signing.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater reports abuse by security officials on duty for President Bush's visit to Geneva. Fitzwater says the guards verbally abused White House chief of staff John Sununu and ''shoved a machine gun'' into the stomach of protocol chief Joseph Reed to try to stop him from boarding Air Force One.

Each of the three men in the running to succeed British Prime Minister Thatcher stresses the need for unity in the Conservative Party. The leader in the race appears to be Michael Hesseltine, with Douglas Hurd running second and John Major third. The vote will be Tuesday.

California has the sixth-largest economy in the world. A forecast made Friday said California is due for a fairly mild down-turn next year. The Security Pacific Corporation predicts a two-quarter down-turn that should start to rebound by the second half of next year.

Singapore has been a major world center for counterfeit perfumes. And officials say investigators have uncovered two of the last three illegal labs turning out fake scents. Security chiefs of top perfume houses helped in the probe.

Indonesia has suspended circulation of the International Herald Tribune. The move follows a newspaper story that said the real political issue in Indonesia is how President Suharto will ensure protection for his children's businesses once he leaves office.

Several gay couples were turned away from Chicago's Cook County Marriage License Department Friday. Illinois law prohibits the legal unions of same-sex partners. Two gay activist groups vow to fight for changes in the law.

Two people in Santa Claus suits picketed a shopping mall in a suburb of Buffalo. They protested the Seneca Mall's claims that one of Santa's elves made a suggestive comment to an employee. The mall plans to break its contract with the company providing Santa and elves.

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#90328c0001 11/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 26) COMTEX - Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.-based Bio-Monitor Inc. (TICKER: BMON) has acquired MD America Inc., an owner and operator of Medical Depot Superstores in Florida, in exchange for 2.91 million of its common shares, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 21, 1990.

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#90328c0002 11/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 24) COMTEX - FMCA Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Baton Rouge, La.-based United Cos. Financial Corp.(TICKER: UNCF), has acquired almost all of the assets of Foster Mortgage Corp., a Fort Worth, Texas, mortgage-servicing company, for $87.5 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The assets include the servicing rights for residential mortgage loans and mortgage-backed securities based on residential loans owned or guaranteed by the Government National Mortgage Association - GNMA.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 21, 1990.

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#90328c0003 11/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 26) COMTEX - Home Shopping Club Inc. has sued West Palm Beach, Fla.-based Marketing Systems of America Inc.(TICKER: MASY) in Pinnelas Count Circuit Court, claiming it was overcharged $1.42 million for cosmetic products it bought from Marketing Systems, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 21, 1990.

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#90328d0020 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (NOV 24) - The speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, Democrat Thomas Foley, Saturday urged patience in seeking a peaceful settlement in the Gulf.

''It is much better than getting into an active shooting war in which there will be many casualties and enormous economic consequences'', Foley said in an interview with the American television channel Cnn.

The U.S. had the capacity to keep its troops for a long time in the deserts of Saudi Arabia and ''sustain whatever time is necessary to make economic pressures work'' on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

''If we are willing to stay there for a longer time, these economic pressures could become very, very great''. Saddam Hussein would then have to bea

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#90328d7790 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO, (NOV 24) - Japan is considering providing medical supplies to Iraq on humanitarian grounds, Kyodo News Service reported Saturday.

The news agency quoted governmwent sources as saying however that any supplies would be extended only on a private basis and not by the government as it would be premature for it to begin such assistance.

The Iraqi Government has asked the international community for medical supplies such as vaccines for children.

The United Nations imposed an economic and trade blockade of Iraq following its invasion of Kuwait on August 2, but has allowed for U.N.-inspected and approved shipments of emergency medical aid on humanitarian grounds.

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#90328d7820 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN, (NOV 24) - Canadian External Affairs Minister Joe Clark said here Saturday that Western hostages held in Iraq should not be turned into a bargaining chip.

"Iraq should not be keeping those people captive under any circumstances and they certainly should not be using these individuals as bargaining chips," he told reporters on his arrival for talks with King Hussein on the Gulf crisis.

Iraq is detaining some 3,000 Westerners and Japanese since it invaded Kuwait on August 2.

Mr. Clark said he would seek the views of Jordanian officials "on how we might bring a peaceful end to the crisis and how we must persuade (Iraqi President)

Saddam Hussein to move peacefully out of Kuwait."

The Canadian minister said he was not carrying any specific messages to officials here.

"I naturally will convey to his majesty and the Jordanian government my sense of some views of the coalition of countries (that) have troops or a presence in the Gulf and also some developments in the (United Nations) Security Council," he said.

He was referring to the multinational troop buildup, including Canadian forces massed against Iraq in the Gulf region and Saudi Arabia and to U.S. efforts to muster support for the use of force to push Iraq out of Kuwait.

Mr. Clark, who arrived from Ankara, will continue his regional tour with visits to Egypt and Israel, Canadian diplomats said.

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#90328d7900 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN, (NOV 24) - Yemeni Foreign Minister Abdel Karim al-Iryani on Saturday ruled out Yemen's voting for a U.N. Security Council resolution endorsing use of force against Iraq in the current Gulf crisis.

Mr. Iryani, in a statement broadcast on Jordanian radio, said his country "insists on a peaceful Arab solution to the Gulf crisis and categorically refuses the use of force to settle this conflict."

Yemen, the only Arab member of the Security Council, will take over the rotating presidency of the 15-member body -- currently held by the United States -- next month.

Sanaa has maintained close ties with Iraq during the almost four-month-old crisis.

Washington has been spearheading efforts for a U.N. vote to use force against Iraq to end its occupation of Kuwait, which began August 2.

U.S. President George Bush has canvassed support for the vote during a tour this week of Europe and the Middle East, including talks with Saudi Arabia's King Fahd, exiled Kuwaiti ruler Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Syrian leader Hafez al-Assad.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker travelled to Yemen on a similar mission on Thursday, but was told by President Ali Abdallah Saleh that Sanaa wished to see a peaceful end to the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Baker on Saturday was to meet in Bogota with his Colombian counterpart and

have talks in Los Angeles with the Malaysian foreign minister, since both their countries are members of the U.N. Security Council.

On Friday, British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said the Security Council would be meeting soon to examine a draft resolution sanctioning use of force against Iraq.

A U.N. diplomatic source said later that a meeting of the council's foreign ministers could take place next Thursday.

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#90328d7920 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUSCAT, (NOV 24) - Oman's State Minister for Foreign Affairs, Youssef bin Alawi Abdullah, left Muscat Saturday for Teheran on a two-day official visit to Iran.

In a statement to the Omani News Agency, he described his visit to Iran as a ''routine'' one.

He stressed the need for holding consultations with all states in the Gulf, particularly Iran, at this stage through which the region was passing following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Abdullah expressed hope that his visit would help reach a united stance between Oman and Iran aimed at safeguarding the interests of the region's states and people.

Muscat has maintained good relations with Teheran, even during the eight-year war between Iran and Iraq that ended in August 1988.

Although Iran has condemned the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and demanded an Iraqi troop withdrawal from the emirate, it has also opposed the deployment of the U.S.-led 300,000-strong multinational force in the Gulf.

Oman is a member of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (Gcc), which has backed the presence of foreign troops in Saudi Arabia and other Gulf states to deter a new Iraqi attack.

In addition to Oman, the Gcc includes Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates (Uae).

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#90328d7940 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA, (NOV 24) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker was meeting here here Saturday with President Cesar Gaviria and other top Colombian officials in a bid to convince them to support a U.N. Security Council resolution authorizing

the use of force in the Gulf crisis.

Colombia, currently on the Security Council, has joined efforts by other non-aligned members to avoid such a resolution in favor of further calls for a peaceful resolution of the crisis sparked when Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2.

Mr. Baker arrived here early Saturday after a tour of Europe and the Middle East during which he met with the foreign ministers from most of the other 14 members on the Security Council to gauge support for a U.N. resolution on the use of force.

A Security Council meeting at the ministerial level to debate such a resolution is expected to be held next week, as Washington is anxious to debate the issue before November 30, when its month-long presidency of the council passes to Yemen.

Any council resolution must receive at least nine votes in favor, with the five permanent members -- Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the United States -- having veto power.

But the council's 10 previous resolutions against Iraq's invasion of Kuwait have received at least 13 positive votes and a substantially reduced majority for a vote on the use of force to resolve the crisis could be viewed as a setback for the anti-Iraq effort.

Mr. Baker stopped briefly in Yemen Thursday, but at the end of the visit he and the Yemeni head of state, General Ali Abdallah Saleh, remained far apart on the question of using the military against Iraq, with the Yemeni leader insisting on "the necessity to not turn to the use of force."

Colombia has being working with Yemen and Romania to have the Security Council simply adopt another resolution stressing the need for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait but urging continuation of the U.N.-mandated economic blockade of Baghdad to achieve it.

During a brief visit here Friday, Romanian Prime Minister Petre said he was pessimistic about the possibility of a peaceful solution to the crisis but remained convinced that "we are still in the phase of trying all the solutions and pressures which could lead to a peaceful resolution."

Mr. Baker was due to spend barely an hour in the Colombian capital before heading on to Panama and then the United States.

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#90328d7970 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA, (NOV 24) - Confrontations between Swiss security forces and senior U.S. officials here Friday which led to White House allegations of brutality

were the fault of U.S. journalists who did not respect security measures, a Geneva police spokesman said Saturday.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said earlier that the U.S. planned to file a protest in Switzerland and to call in the Swiss ambassador in Washington over the "brutal and vicious treatment," which occurred during U.S. President George Bush's visit for talks with Syrian President Hafez al-Assad.

Mr. Fitzwater said that Swiss security officers at the Geneva airport rammed a machine gun in the stomach of U.S. Ambassador and chief of protocol John Reed and punched a photographer, and that a senior security official verbally abused White House Chief of Staff John Sununu when he attempted to intervene later on at the hotel where the talks took place.

The Geneva police spokesman said that "the presidential entourage did not want to conform with the security measures put in place in agreement with the U.S. mission in Geneva," and that security officers were therefore obliged to "take a harder approach with certain journalists and" White House personnel.

He said that the police had opened an internal investigation into the incidents to try to determine what had happened, but that no disciplinary measures were being considered.

An official of the Geneva airport's foreign relations service asserted that U.S. reporters at the airport had not wanted to stay within the area which had been prepared for them and had come into contact with a police cordon while attempting to approach the presidential airplane.

The Geneva police spokesman said that if a machine gun had been pointed at Mr. Reed's stomach, as claimed by the White House, it was because he was next to the journalists who were not obeying security measures.

He asserted that the Syrians, in contrast with the Americans, had "perfectly obeyed the security measures."

The spokesman said that he did not which official had verbally abused Mr. Sununu.

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#90328d8020 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE, (NOV 24) - Czechoslovakia held Saturday its first free local elections since 1936, with returning officers describing participation as ''relatively brisk'' and the proceedings as calm.

In Slovakia, one of the two republics making up this formerly communist country, polling booths closed by early afternoon.

In the Czech republic where the election laws differ, the booths were to remain open until 10 p.m. local time. First computer projections of the results were not expected until Sunday evening.

An international observers' commission monitored the polls at the invitation of the Czechoslovak government.

In the capital, Prague, participation had reached 45 per cent by midday, the country's news agency, Ctk, reported. Overall participation was expected to fall short of the 97-per-cent level reached in parliamentary elections in June this year.

A total of 226,831 candidates are running for 104,621 posts on local councils.

Communists were forced out of local office in the two months after Czechoslovakia's velvet revolution in November a year ago and the positions refilled without elections but with popular backing.

Those interim replacements were members of Citizens' Forum, its Slovakian sister organisation Public against Violence Vpn, and the Christian Democrats, or, in some cases, reform-minded communists.

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#90328d8130 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW, (NOV 24) - President Mikhail Gorbachev, much criticized at home for his forays abroad, plans to cash in on his popularity in the West by calling on his rich friends to help the Soviet Union through a difficult winter.

The dislocation of the economy has led to widespread shortages and even Leningrad, the country's second largest city, is to introduce food rationing as of next week. Meanwhile, problems with transport and storage have meant that much of this year's good harvest has gone to waste.

Mr. Gorbachev told a press conference here late Friday that talks held this week in Paris on the sidelines of the CSCE summit had notably focussed on how the West could aid the Soviet Union.

The president went on to praise Western leaders for their sense of "solidarity", saying agreements for shipping emergency supplies to the Soviet Union might be finalized within the next "two to three weeks".

"We look forward to assistance in moving towards a market economy. We look forward to financial aid and food supplies on attractive terms," Mr. Gorbachev said, adding that aid might also take the form of lower interest rates and more beneficial terms in credit arrangements and trade deals.

"I sensed a feeling of solidarity, something we lacked in the past when we saw

each other in the sights of the gun," Mr. Gorbachev also said, speaking of his talks in Paris.

Speaking Friday at an electoral rally in Germany, Chancellor Helmut Kohl said the West should provide aid to the Soviet Union to help Mr. Gorbachev stay in power.

Aid for Moscow "will cost money, but we also spent a lot during the Cold War, and it is good to now be able to spend for peace," Mr. Kohl added.

German authorities are currently considering sending Moscow part of West Berlin's strategic stockpiles, built up in the wake of the 1948 Soviet blockade of that city. On Tuesday, a group of German experts will fly to Moscow to discuss ways of providing concrete aid and coordinate the vast charity effort now under way in Germany.

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#90328d8230 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO, (NOV 24) - Japanese and Soviet citizens pin different hopes on an unprecedented visit to Japan by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in April, according to an opinion poll published by Japan's Kyodo news agency Saturday.

They differed widely when asked to specify two outcomes they expect from the visit, the first by a top Soviet leader since World War II, which will return a long series of trips to Moscow by Japanese prime ministers.

Of the Japanese, 64.4 per cent cited a settlement of a territorial dispute that has prevented the two countries from signing a postwar peace treaty and hampered active economic exchanges, Kyodo said.

On the other hand, 47.0 per cent of the Soviet citizens hoped for expanded economic cooperation and 34.8 per cent expected increased trade, Kyodo said.

The poll was jointly conducted with the Soviet news agency Tass. It covered 3,000 eligible voters each in Japan and the Soviet Union. Of the total, 1,945 Japanese and 2,625 Soviet citizens replied.

Kyodo said 75.9 per cent of the Japanese and 59.2 per cent of the Soviet citizens nonetheless replied in the affirmative when asked if the visit would provide an opportunity to open a new era in Japan-Soviet relations.

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#90328d8240 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN, (NOV 24) - Iranian authorities have hanged 23 people convicted on drug trafficking charges in the southeastern town of Zabol, Teheran Radio reported Saturday.

The radio did not specify when the hangings occurred, but said the "armed drug traffickers brought in drugs to the country and held up travellers on the roads of Sistan-Balouchistan," the province where they were executed, along the border with Pakistan and Afghanistan.

The latest hangings bring to 1,298 the number of people executed in Iran since the introduction of a strict anti-drug law in January 1989.

Elsewhere, the revolutionary committees, or Islamic militias, arrested 880 drug traffickers country-wide last month and placed 2,825 addicts in labor camps for detoxication programs, the radio said.

According to last year's law, "all persons found in the possession of more than 30 grams (0.066 pounds) of heroin or more than five kilograms (11 pounds) of opium are subject to capital punishment."

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#90328d8360 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RABAT, (NOV 24) - An Iraqi diplomat was found dead in his car Friday, two days after leaving home without explanation, diplomatic sources and police said here Saturday.

The body of Moayed Arab Nuri, a counsellor on the Iraqi Embassy staff here for five years, was discovered near Mehdia-Plage north of the capital. Moroccan police said they were investigating the cause of death.

The diplomat was married, with three children.

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#90328d8380 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VATICAN CITY, (NOV 24) - Pope John Paul II, meeting with 20 Vietnamese bishops here Saturday, called on the southeast Asian country's episcopal conference to enter a "constructive dialogue with the officials".

It was the first time that Vietnamese authorities had granted exit visas to as many Roman Catholic bishops for visits to the Vatican.

Saying that the budding relationship with Hanoi bode well for the future, the pope still saw "a long road with many difficulties ahead. But it looks like we are on the right road".

Vatican officials, headed by French Cardinal Roger Etchegaray, met for talks with Vietnamese leaders in Hanoi November 7-13, the first to be held since North Vietnamese troops overran U.S.-backed South Vietnam in 1975.

The Vietnamese government earlier hailed the visit as "an important step to improving relations between the Holy See and Vietnam", which has six million Catholics.

"The Church does not ask for privileges but wants to be granted freedom to serve the country as well as it can", the pope said.

Eleven bishops had died in Vietnam since 1987 without being replaced, and five dioceses were still vacant, according to Cardinal Paul Marie Nguyen Minh Nhat, chairman of the Vietnamese bishops' conference.

He said there were hardly any priests in the north, while their number was constantly decreasing in the south.

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#90328d9280 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA, (NOV 24) - A U.S. soldier was killed and another injured on Saturday when their truck collided with a civilian Saudi truck, the U.S. military announced here.

The soldiers, from a transport unit, were thrown from the back of their truck in the collision, which occurred in Saudi Arabia's Eastern Province.

It was the 48th U.S. fatality since the American military buildup here began in response to Kuwait's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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ROME, Nov 24 (AFP) - The Ansaldo group was awarded a 300-million-dollar contract to build the second tranche of the Assiout thermal plant in Egypt, IRI said in a communique Saturday.

IRI is a public holding company which controls the Ansaldo group.

The contract was signed in Cairo by Said Aissa, chairman of the Egyptian electricity company, and by officials of the two Ansaldo subsidiaries that will carry out the work, Ansaldo GIE and SAE Sadelmi.

Ansaldo won the contract in the face of stiff competition from Mitsubishi, the Japanese group which supplied the first tranche of the electricity plant. Giussepe Arcelli of Ansaldo GIE said his group's success was "due to competitive prices for similar technology."

Ansaldo is currently working on a 330-megawatt thermal plant in Damanohour and a 90-megawatt plant in New Esna.

Mr. Arcelli told reporters the contract was the first signed by Ansaldo since the beginning of the Gulf crisis. "We have 870 million dollars worth of orders in Iraq and 522 million dollars worth of suspended credits which cannot be unblocked until the end of the conflict," he said.

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MEXICO CITY (NOV 23) - Mexican President Carlos Salinas and U.S. President George Bush will meet Tuesday in northern Monterrey to discuss a free trade agreement which could lead to a North American free trade zone extending to Canada.

While Mr. Bush is optimistic the U.S. Congress would approve a free trade agreement with Mexico when it reconvenes next year, it was not clear efforts to weave Canada into the accord would come to fuition.

The United States and Canada signed a free trade agreeemnt in 1988.

This sixth meeting between Mr. Salinas and Mr. Bush since they both took office nearly two years ago -- the most frequent top-level contact between the two countries in history-- comes at a time of exceptionally good U.S.-Mexican relations.

Mr. Salinas recently said a free trade agreement between Canada, the United States and Mexico would create "the world's biggest market," ahead of the the European Economic Community (EEC) and Japan and its Asian trading partners.

With wage levels nine times lower than those in the United States, Mexico could also serve as a platform for increased exports to its two northern neighbors, Mr. Salinas added.

The three countries have a combined consumer market of 362 million people and last year traded goods worth 225 billion dollars.

The U.S. Congress is expected to start debating a free trade agreement with Mexico in the first half of 1991. Mr. Bush expects it will be approved despite opposition from small businesses and unions, which fear the accord would lead to higher unemployment as firms would be enticed by Mexico's lower wages.

Mexican Foreign Minister Fernando Solana Friday said conditions for Canada's inclusion in the free trade agreement would also be discussed in Monterrey,

although he cautioned that anything which might "halt, delay or complicate" bilateral negotiations between Mexico and the United States would be unacceptable.

He said it was possible a "mechanism" could be found to have Ottawa

participate in the talks.

Other issues on the agenda during Mr. Bush's 28-hour stay in Monterrey will be the Gulf crisis; world trade negotiations within the framework of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade; ongoing efforts to curb drug trafficking and illegal immigration accross the Rio Grande.

Two illegal immigrants from Mexico have been killed and a third has been wounded by U.S. border patrols since September.

Some political analysts here have pointed out that the two-year honeymoon between Mexico and the United States is being threatened by recent charges of electoral fraud against the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party in local polls held earlier this month in the state of Mexico.

El Financiero, a leading financial daily, said Friday that by not responding to calls for more political openness at home, Mr. Salinas was tarnishing his own image and that of Mexico in the United States.

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#90328d9760 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING, (NOV 24) - Spanish Foreign Minister Francisco Fernandez Ordonez said here Saturday it was "likely" that the United Nations would adopt a new resolution on the Gulf crisis.

"Before coming to Beijing, I thought it was likely a new resolution would be adopted before the end of the month. Following discussions I have had here, my position has not changed," Mr. Ordonez told a press conference at the end of his three-day visit to China.

Mr. Ordonez gave no details as to the precise nature of any future resolution, or whether it would authorise the use of force against Iraqi troops who invaded Kuwait on August 2.

Mr. Ordonez met briefly Saturday with his Chinese counterpart Qian Qichen,

who had held talks on the Gulf crisis the previous day with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze in the northwestern Chinese city of Urumqi.

A Chinese Foreign Ministry communique published Friday said Moscow and Beijing would continue discussions if the U.N. Security Council adopted "supplementary measures" on the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Ordonez told reporters he was not authorised to speak for Beijing and was therefore unable to speculate on China's position if a vote were called on adopting a resolution sanctioning military intervention in the Gulf.

While Moscow has not ruled out the possibility of armed intervention, Beijing has been more cautious, insisting on exploring every avenue while there remains a "glimmer of hope" of a peaceful solution.

(Diplomatic sources in New York said Friday that preperations were under way for a ministerial-level meeting of the U.N. Security Council next week to discuss the possible use of force in the Gulf.)

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BAGHDAD, (NOV 24) - President Saddam Hussein decided Saturday to allow a "large number" of detained Italians and 10 Britons to leave the country, the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported.

The decision to free the Italians was in response to a request to President Hussein from the Melchite archbishop of Jerusalem, Hilarion Capucci, INA said. It did not specify the exact number of Italians to be released.

More than 280 Italians are being held by Iraq to deter an attack by the U.S.-led multinational forces in the Gulf.

The Greek Catholic archbishop, who resides in Rome, arrived in the Iraqi capital Monday at the head of a delegation of Italian pacifists on a private mission to secure the release of all the hostages.

President Hussein also decided to allow 10 British hostages to leave Iraq with their wives who are visiting Iraq, INA said.

The Iraqi authorities had invited wives to visit the foreigners detained by Iraq over the coming Christmas holidays.

An estimated 1,400 Britons are detained in Iraq and Kuwait, including around 360 held at strategic installations as "human shields" to avert an attack by the multinational forces deployed in the Gulf.

INA confirmed meanwhile that an Airbus carrying 25 tons of foodstuffs and medicine sent by the Italian government had arrived in Baghdad on Saturday.

Italian television said earlier that the government had decided to send the shipment, destined for Iraqi children, in response to appeals from the World Health Organization.

Baghdad is holding around 3,000 Western and Japanese nationals, but President Hussein decided last Sunday to free the foreigners in stages by March 25 unless Iraq was attacked.

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#90328d9980 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DAMASCUS, Nov 24 (AFP) - Syrian army chief General Hekmat Shehabi bitterly criticised Iraq Saturday for invading Kuwait, saying it had played into Israel's hands and damaged Arab unity.

In a speech to air force officers, Gen. Shehabi said the August 2 invasion performed "a free service to Israel and imperialism" and struck at "Arab unity and solidarity" by causing the deployment of foreign forces in the Gulf and "the strengthening of our enemy Israel's arsenal".

However Syria was trying to end the crisis "in an Arab framework" and to "cut short any internationalisation" of the conflict, he said.

"We send our soldiers to Arabia and the Emirates to prevent an extension of the crisis and we are ready to defend any Arab country that is attacked", he added.

Syrian President Hafez Assad and U.S. President George Bush held talks on the Gulf crisis in Geneva Friday.

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#90328d9990 11/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BENALMADENA, SPAIN, (NOV 24) - Julian Jackson of the Virgin Islands became the new World Boxing Council middleweight champion when he sensationally knocked out Britain's Herol Graham in the fourth round of their title fight here on Saturday.

Jackson himself was in trouble with his vision but battled on and unleashed a formidable right hook in the fourth to send Graham crashing senseless to the canvas for the first time in his career.

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#90328t2356 11/24/1990 ~ts
PARIS (NOV. 24) TASS - ONE OF THE LARGEST DRUG RINGS HAS BEEN RENDERED HARMLESS IN SPAIN. THE POLICE REPORTED TODAY THE CONFISCATION OF 70 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE EARLY THIS WEEK AND THE ARREST OF NINE DRUG DEALERS, FRANCE PRESSE REPORTED FROM MADRID.

THE COST OF THE CONFISCATED COCAINE BATCH IS ESTIMATED AT THE BLACK MARKET AT THREE BILLION PECETAS (SOME 30 MILLION DOLLARS).

THE OPERATION WAS CARRIED OUT AFTER THE CONFISCATION OF 120 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE IN MADRID LATE LAST WEEK AND THE ARREST OF EIGHT DRUG TRAFFICKERS.

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(NOV. 24) UPI - NHL STANDINGS

Wales Conference
Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	15	6	4	34	100	65
Philadelphia	14	10	1	29	88	79
Washington	13	12	0	26	84	81
New Jersey	12	10	1	25	84	75
Pittsburgh	10	10	2	22	93	84
NY Islanders	9	12	0	18	61	78

Adams Division

Boston	12	7	4	28	72	68
Montreal	11	9	3	25	71	70
Hartford	9	9	4	22	60	68
Buffalo	8	8	6	22	73	68
Quebec	3	17	4	10	59	104

Campbell Conference
Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	16	7	2	34	84	57
St. Louis	15	6	1	31	78	58
Detroit	10	10	3	23	84	90
Minnesota	5	14	5	15	63	86
Toronto	4	20	1	9	69	121

Smythe Division

Los Angeles	15	5	1	31	92	64
Calgary	14	8	2	30	104	76
Vancouver	11	12	0	22	72	81
Winnipeg	8	14	2	18	75	85
Edmonton	5	13	2	12	54	63

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(NOV. 24) UPI - SATURDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR

(All times EST)
Basketball
Milwaukee at New York, 1 p.m.
Indiana at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.

Philadelphia at Atlanta, 8 p.m.
Utah at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Chicago at Denver, 9:30 p.m.
Orlando at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

Boxing
WBC Middleweight Title
Benalmadena, Spain - Herol Graham vs. Julian Jackson

Golf
LaQuinta, Calif. - PGA Skins Game
Orlando, Fla. - World Cup tournament

Hockey
NY Rangers at NY Islanders, 2:05 p.m.
Winnipeg at Quebec, 7:35 p.m.
Boston at Hartford, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Montreal, 8:05 p.m.
Washington at Pittsburgh, 8:05 p.m.
Edmonton at Toronto, 8:05 p.m.
Chicago at Calgary, 8:05 p.m.
New Jersey at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.
Vancouver at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.

Tennis
Sanctuary Cove, Australia - $1 million IBM-
ATP Tour World Doubles Final

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(NOV. 24) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Basketball

Albany (CBA) - Signed forward Jeff Sanders; released forward Tim Price. La Crosse (CBA) - Signed forward Richie Johnson; waived guard Steve Mitchell.

College

Miami - Suspended running back Leonard Conley for violating team rules.

Hockey

New Jersey - Assigned forward Alan Stewart and defenseman Tommy Albelin to Utica of the American Hockey League for conditioning.

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#90328u0136 11/24/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 24) UPI - NBA STANDINGS

Eastern Conference
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	9	2	.818	-
Philadelphia	8	4	.667	1 1/2
New York	6	4	.600	2 1/2
Miami	4	7	.364	5
New Jersey	3	9	.250	6 1/2
Washington	2	8	.200	6 1/2

Central Division

Detroit	9	2	.818	-
Milwaukee	8	3	.727	1
Cleveland	7	5	.583	2 1/2
Chicago	6	6	.500	3 1/2
Charlotte	6	7	.462	4
Indiana	5	6	.455	4
Atlanta	4	7	.364	5

Western Conference
Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	7	2	.778	-
Houston	6	6	.500	2 1/2
Dallas	5	5	.500	2 1/2
Utah	5	6	.455	3
Minnesota	4	7	.364	4
Orlando	3	8	.273	5
Denver	1	10	.091	7

Pacific Division

Portland	10	0	1.000	-
Golden State	8	4	.667	3
Phoenix	6	4	.600	4
LA Lakers	5	5	.500	5
LA Clippers	5	6	.455	5 1/2
Seattle	4	5	.444	5 1/2
Sacramento	1	9	.100	9

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NEW YORK (NOV. 24) UPI - The Arkansas Razorbacks had it all figured out for

the first 27 minutes. What happened over the final 13 was another story.

Second-ranked Arizona, buoyed by an amazing 42-11 run in the second half spearheaded by its NBA-like frontline of Sean Rooks, Chris Mills and Brian Williams, overwhelmed No. 3 Arkansas Friday night 89-77 to capture the championship of the preseason NIT.

The Wildcats, trailing 45-37 entering the second half and 55-46 with 13 minutes left, dismantled the Razorbacks over the final 12:40 to turn this early season matchup of two the country's top teams into a rout reminiscent of Nevada-Las Vegas' 103-73 demolition of Duke in last season's NCAA title game.

''I have to give Arkansas a lot of credit,'' said Arizona Coach Lute Olson, ''but down the stretch our work on the boards did them in.''

The Wildcats outrebounded the Razorbacks 54-32 for the game, 31-14 in the second half, in limiting Arkansas to one field goal attempt per trip up court.

Sean Rooks scored a career-high 31 points, including 9 straight during Arizona's decisive second-half run and tournament MVP Chris Mills added 29 points for the Wildcats, whose frontline of Mills, Rooks and Williams dominated the undersized Razorbacks inside in the second half with second- and third-shot opportunities.

''I must say that out physical strength in the end was the difference,'' Olsonsaid. ''When Arkansas had to bang against our 240- pound guys, it took its toll on them.''

In the consolation game, Bill McCaffrey scored 21 points to lead No. 6 Duke to an 85-77 victory over Notre Dame.

The Wildcats, 3-0, trailed by eight points at halftime and by nine with 12 minutes remaining before exploding for 40 points over the final 12:40 to turn the game into a rout.

Todd Day led Arkansas, 3-1, with 19 points, but only one in the second half. Roosevelt Wallace added 11 points, all in the first half, and Oliver Miller had 10. The Razorbacks confused the Wildcats early in the second half with a full-court prees and led 55-46 with 12:35 to play when Mills buried a three-pointer and the Wildcats took off.

After an Arkansas basket, Mills, who made 6 of 7 shots in the second half, tipped in a miss to make the score 57-51 before Rooks went to work.

He was fouled by Miller with 11:40 to go and Miller's protest led to atechnical foul. Rooks made 2 of 4 free throws and, after the Wildcats were awarded the ball, hit a leaner in the lane and drew a foul for a three-point play to bring Arizona within 57-56.

On their next possession, Rooks took an alley-oop pass from Matt Othick and his dunk gave the Wildcats their first lead since a 35-34 advantage.

Another inside basket by Rooks and a backdoor slam by Mills after Day was nailed with a technical for cursing made it 62-57 with 8:05 to play.

''The two technical fouls hurt us,'' said Arkansas Coach Nolan Richardson, ''and being that intensity is the name of our game, we lost it all when we got the techs. I can accept the fact that we got beaten on the boards, but I can't tolerate our players losing their cool.''

During the Wildcats outburst, the Razorbacks couldn't do anything right. Worse yet, when they missed Arizona controlled the rebound.

It got even uglier for Arkansas at the end, as the Wildcats ran their lead to 88-66 in the final minutes before the Razorbacks got some late field goals.

Mills, who scored 25 points in the Wildcats semifinal victory over Notre Dame, was equally proud of his play in the defensive end.

''I felt I played some tight defense and showed a lot of intensity in trying to stop Todd Day,'' said Mills, a Kentucky transfer who left the school after he was named in a cash-payment scandal. ''I just try and go out and play hard, and play tough defense. And when I play tough defense, I know my offense will come.''

Mills buried a pair of three-pointers as Arizona raced to a 29-21 lead with 7:10 to play in the first half.

But the Razorbacks, behind the shooting of Day and strong inside play from Isaiah Morris and Wallace, closed the half with a devastating 24-8 run to take a 45-37 lead at intermission.

Day drilled two three-pointers during the run, dunked following a wild scramble and blew past two defenders for basket off the baseline as the Razorbacks closed the half by outscoring Arizona 11-2 over the final 2:48.

''This was a great win for us,'' Olson said. ''I do believe this team is for real, but we still have to stay focused.''

In the first game, McCaffrey hit 10 of 16 field-goal attempts in helping Duke improve to 3-1. Christian Laettner added 16 points and 13 rebounds and freshman Grant Hill finished with 14.

''It's part of my job to hit the open shots if they're there,'' said McCaffrey. LaPhonso Ellis led No. 25 Notre Dame, 2-2, with 19 points. Sweet added 18, including 16 in the second half, Kevin Ellery had 18 and Elmer

Bennett chipped in 17.

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#90328u0157 11/24/1990 ~United Press International
The Washington Capitals used their checking line to ignite a record- setting scoring spree Friday night.

Steve Leach scored goals 10 seconds apart as part of a three-goal outburst in a 21-second span, leading the Capitals to a 7-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Penguins.

Leach was joined by linemate Mike Ridley, who collected a Washington season-high four points as the checking line notched three goals.

''We do have our role - our line has to be responsible defensively,'' Ridley said. ''But there's no reason why we can't when we get the chance, to take advantage of it.''

Washington's outburst was the quickest three goals in team history, beating the franchise record of 39 seconds set Feb. 5, 1984. Leach's two goals were the fastest ever by a Capital, topping Dennis Maruk's 11- second record set Dec. 16, 1982.

Michal Pivonka ignited the splurge with a power-play goal at 16:18. Leach's two goals came at 16:29 and 16:39, running Washington's lead to 5-1 before the first intermission.

Washington's Kelly Miller scored the game's first goal at 1:57, firing a wrist shot past goaltender Frank Pietrangelo.

The Capitals, who entered the game as the NHL's best at penalty- killing, notched a short-handed goal at 8:53 to grab a 2-0 lead. Kevin Hatcher beat Pietrangelo, giving him both of Washington's short-handed goals this season.

Confusion on the Capitals' bench and in front of their net led to Pittsburgh's first goal.

Capitals Alan May and Nick Kypreos and Pittsburgh's Jay Caufield were whistled for roughing, giving Pittsburgh a one-man advantage. However, Washington added a fifth attacker after play resumed and were penalized 29 seconds later for the infraction.

The Capitals contended the overhead scoreboard failed to show the penalties that led to them having too many men on the ice. But the dispute faded moments later when the Capitals' offense unloaded.

Washington goaltender Jim Hrivnak stopped 39 of 42 shots and was spectacular

in the first period. Even so, Hrivnak may be returned to the minors in favor of veteran Don Beaupre, who is recovering from a groin injury.

''Well, I played the last two starts and won them both,'' said Hrivnak, who is 4-1 when starting.

In other NHL games Friday night, Philadelphia outlasted Toronto 4-1, Hartford edged Boston 4-3, Buffalo nipped Edmonton 3-2 in overtime, Detroit beat St. Louis 5-3 and Minnesota topped Vancouver 6-4.

Flyers 4, Maple Leafs 1

At Philadelphia, Scott Mellanby and Derrick Smith scored early in the third period to lift the Flyers. Philadelphia goaltender Pete Peeters stopped 22 shots, dropping Toronto to 0-10-0 on the road this season. The Maple Leafs have lost nine of 11 games.

Whalers 4, Bruins 3

At Boston, Pat Verbeek and Ron Francis each scored a pair of power- play goals while Hartford held a two-man advantage for three minutes to lead the Whalers. The game was marred by a fight between the benches late in the second period and by the ejection of Boston's Cam Neely for a five-minute match penalty.

Sabres 3, Oilers 2

At Buffalo, N.Y., Benoit Hogue scored just 34 seconds into overtime to lift the Sabres. Hogue grabbed the puck during a flurry of passes in the Oilers' zone and fired in front, sending the puck jumping off an Edmonton stick and past goaltender Bill Ranford.

Red Wings 5, Blues 3

At Detroit, rookie Johan Garpenlov scored four goals to power Detroit over St. Louis. Garpenlov, who played last season in the Swedish Hockey League, became the 16th Red Wing to score four goals in a game and the first to accomplish the feat since Steve Yzerman did so last Jan. 31.

North Stars 6, Canucks 4

At Bloomington, Minn., Brian Bellows scored his fifth career hat trick to lead the North Stars. The victory was Minnesota's first in its last eight games, during which the North Stars have gone 1-5-2. The six- goal outburst equaled Minnesota's season high.

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(NOV. 24) UPI - President Bush plans to have a quiet weekend at Camp David after his eight days overseas, visiting seven nations. Bush received a mixed response to his request for other nations to endorse possible military reaction against Iraq. The president's last meeting was with his Syrian counterpart, who agreed that Iraqi troops should leave Kuwait, but did NOT agree to the use of force.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says a disturbance between news photographers and security officials when President Bush arrived in Geneva caused abuse of two presidential aides. Fitzwater says Swiss security officials verbally abused chief of staff John Sununu and ''shoved a machine gun'' into the stomach of chief of protocol Joseph Reed.

U-S experts question President Bush's warning that an Iraqi nuclear weapon may be only months away. Leonard Spector of the Carnegie Endowment for Peace says Iraq could have a bomb in the next five to 10 years. One senior administration official says he's NOT aware of any new intelligence that would back up Bush's warning that Iraq may be moving faster than expected toward a nuclear weapon.

Analysts say the world's oil prices were buoyed Friday by ongoing jitters over the potential for war in the Persian Gulf. Oil prices rose in trading that was extremely light on the day after the Thanksgiving day holiday. Price increases ranged from two dollars and 20 cents for the key OPEC crude, to two dollars and 62 cents for Britain's North Sea Brent, the world's most widely traded crude.

Stocks on Wall Street slipped a little during a post-Thanksgiving session marked by a long trading halt in the morning, due to technical problems and by the lightest volume in almost four years. The Dow Jones industrial average lost 12-pointpoint-23. Trading was halted almost all of Friday morning by electrical problems at the New York Stock Exchange.

Drug arrests have cramped the style of Menudo, and also the make-up of the popular singing group from Puerto Rico. Two members were ousted from the five-member band Friday... just hours after their arrests at the Miami airport. They are accused of possessing small amounts of marijuana. Menudo has been active in anti-drug campaigns. A spokesman for the group says he hopes fans will see the firings of the two band members in a positive light.

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(NOV. 24) UPI - FRIDAY'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL RESULTS

Tournaments

Bay Area Apple Classic
Stanford 93, Rider 66

Bearcat Classic
Cincinnati 94, Sam Houston 75
Kent 79, Texas A&M 67

Central Fidelity Classic
Georgia 89, Wichita State 58
Richmond 65, Dartmouth 54

Central Florida Classic
C. Florida 84, SE Louisiana 74
Maine 78, Liberty 70

Century Cellunet Classic
Centenary 98, Nicholls St. 86
La. Tech 81, Texas Christian 72

Coors Light Classic
Pepperdine 83, Montana St. 76
Fresno St. 104, U.S. International 76

Executive Inn Rivermont Classic
Ky. Wesleyan 115, Lincoln Memorial 62

Fleet Classic
Lafayette 80, Boston Univ. 55
Providence 112, Morgan St. 74

Great Alaska Shootout
S. Carolina 63, Nevada 61
UCLA 134, Cal-Irvine 101
Virginia 80, Siena 77
Alaska-Anchorage 70, Texas Tech 58

Hawaii Tip-Off Classic
SW Missouri St. 82, NE Louisiana 73

Lapchick Tournament
C. Connecticut 129, Davidson 109
St. John's 85, Monmouth 60

Lobo Classic
New Mexico 136, Texas-Arlington 99
San Francisco 61, Army 59

Maui Invitational
Indiana 100, Northeastern 78
Iowa St. 115, Chaminade 82

Syracuse 84, Toledo 68
Santa Clara 100, Loyola Marymount 93

Preseason NIT
Championship
Arizona 89, Arkansas 77
Consolation
Duke 85, Notre Dame 77

Real Dairy Classic
Boise St. 70, Valparaiso 53
Idaho St. 86, E. Washington 84

River City Classic
SE Mo. St. 111, SIU-Edwardsville 85
Troy St. 82, Ark.-Pine Bluff 80

San Juan Shootout
Illinois 103, American-PR 84
Murray St. 81, Bucknell 68
Nebraska 107, St. Louis 79
N. Iowa 61, Old Dominion 63

Stanford Invitational
Stanford 93, Rider 66
Yale 66, St. Mary's (Calif.) 65

UAB Invitational
Ala.-Birmingham 97, Alabama St. 80
Lamar 116, Samford 60

East
Brown 66, Lehigh 65
Pittsburgh 84, NW Missouri 50
Pomona-Pitzer 74, Carnegie-Mellon 73 (OT)
St. Francis (Pa.) 90, Niagara 72

South
Alcorn St. 79, Idaho 77
Fla. A&M 96, Beth.-Cookman 83 (2OT)
George Mason 97, Miami 91
Mid.Tenn.St. 89, Miss.Vall. 77 (2OT)
N.C. State 120, Fla. Int'l 79
NC-Wilmington 69, NC-Greensboro 51
Taylor 89, Berea 66
Tennessee 91, Tennessee St. 75
Tennessee Tech 105, Bethel 82
Tulane 76, Rice 74

Virginia Tech 79, Va. Military 77
Wake Forest 108, Howard 74

Midwest
Central Ohio 103, Urbana 98
Concordia (Neb.) 85, Mary 78 (OT)
Dayton 109, Illinois St. 69
Illinois 103, American Univ. 84
Michigan St. 78, Furman 73
Mo. Southern 83, St. Edward's 75 (OT)
Northwestern 84, Ill. Wesleyan 62
Pittsburg St. 74, E. Texas St. 68
Rosary 81, North Dordt 76
Wis.-Milwaukee 88, Illinois Tech 66

Southwest
New Mexico St. 111, N.M. Highlands 66

West
Arizona St. 70, Kansas 68
Azusa Pacific 87, Sonoma St. 78
Colorado 113, Northridge St. 89

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CAMP DAVID, MD (NOV. 24) UPI - President Bush returned home Saturday from an eight-day European and Middle East diplomatic mission having secured more support for military action if needed to oust Iraqi troops fom Kuwait.

Most of the leaders Bush conferred with at the Paris summit and in Saudi Arabia and Egypt appeared to be backing stronger action and showing less patience with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Bush's pessimism that Saddam would voluntarily withdraw his forces from Kuwait was shared by many of the leaders with whom he met. At the same time Bush's rhetoric became more bellicose and his warnings more stern.

The president's last stop before flying back to Washington early Saturday was with Syrian President Hafez el Assad, who also agreed with Bush that ''Iraq's occupation of Kuwait is unacceptable.''

''They expressed their preference for a peaceful solution of the crisis in conformity with the Arab League and U.N. resolutions,'' White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said in a written statement. ''They also agreed that Iraq should recieve no reward for its aggression and that Kuwait's territory and legitimate government must be restored fully.''

Assad has said Syria wants Iraqi forces out of Kuwait, which they invaded Aug. 2, but opposes use of force. He maintains that Syrian troops were sent to Saudi Arabia only to help U.S.-led multinational forces defend that country.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak expressed support for such military force as an option, but dodged questions about whether his country would fight Iraq as part of a 500,000, U.S.-led multinational force now assembled in the region.

Bush said he and Mubarak had not given up on a peaceful solution, but added, ''We are getting tired of the status quo and so is the rest of the world.''

Bush, who is spending the weekend at the Camp David presidential retreat before departing on a trade mission to Mexico next week, has called for a U.N. hearing on allegations that Iraqi troops have brutalized Kuwait during its four-month occupation. The hearing is seen as a move to generate support for a resolution authorizing military force.

Bush's decision to meet with Assad, who is on the State Department's terrorist list, came as a surprise, He defended the meeting, saying Syria is a member of the coalition that has contributed troops to the multinational force in the gulf.

Their discussions covered a wide range of issues related to the Middle East, including the need for stability in Lebanon; the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza; and Syria's influence in helping bring about the release of the six remaining American hostages in Lebanon, Fitzwater said.

The two presiedents also had an extended conversation on the subject of terrrorism and agreed to continue their dialogue on the subject, Fitzwater said.

Both Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and German Chancellor Helmut Kohl advocated patience and more time for U.N. authorized economic sanctions against Iraq. Kohl argued for greater emphasis for a negotiated settlement.

In Yemen, the small Arab nation that will assume the presidency of the 15-nation U.N. Security Council in December, leaders rebuffed Secretary of State James Baker's efforts to persuade the government to support possible military action. The security council will vote on any resolution regarding a military option.

Bush received a lift on Thursday when he visited front-line U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf region.

To please the troops, he ate two Thanksgiving dinners on visits to forward bases in Saudi Arabia, one of them nearly 80 miles away from the Kuwaiti border and considered risky.

While on the road, Bush tried to maintain support at home, inviting House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine, Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas and House GOP leader Robert Michel of Illinois to tour the front with him.

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(NOV. 24) UPI - Mark Aguirre did the scoring, while defensive specialist Dennis Rodman limited the league's top scorer.

Aguirre came off the bench to score a game-high 20 points, and Rodman held Washington's Bernard King to 11 points Friday night, carrying Detroit to a 97-88 victory over the Bullets.

King, the NBA's leading scorer with a 31.9 average entering the contest, made only 5-of-16 shots. Rodman said he was prepared for King.

''I go home the night before and I just think all day about guys like that,'' said Rodman, who finished with a game-high 15 rebounds. ''I just say to myself 'I've got to come to play tonight.'''

''He had a tough night,'' Aguirre said of King. ''You're going to have nights like that. They didn't drop for him.''

Aguirre collected 14 points in the first half as the Pistons cruised to leads as large as 13 points. Detroit led by as many as 17 points in the third quarter, but the Pistons' lead dwindled to 91-81 with 4:35 to play.

Aguirre then sank a jumper, Byron Irvin made a rebound basket and Joe Dumars hit a 19-footer to seal the victory.

Dumars scored 19 points and Isiah Thomas added 18 points for Detroit.

Without much production from King, the Bullets relied upon their bench. Tom Hammonds led Washington with 18 points, while Pervis Ellison totaled 11.

''We picked up the slack a little tonight,'' Washington Coach Wes Unseld said. ''A couple of guys really came through. With seven guys with less than two years of experience, every night is going to be a struggle.

''Most expansion teams have more experience than us.''

In other games, Boston topped Sacramento 115-105, Philadelphia defeated Cleveland 111-105, Miami clipped Charlotte 116-100, Indiana edged Houston 112-111, Chicago defeated the Los Angeles Clippers 105-97, San Antonio outlasted Dallas 107-104, Utah slipped by Seattle 97-96, New Jersey nipped Phoenix 116-114, and Portland pounded Golden State 143- 119.

Celtics 115, Kings 105

At Boston, Kevin McHale scored 21 points to lead six Boston players in double figures, leading Boston to its fifth straight victory.

76ers 111, Cavaliers 105

At Philadelphia, Charles Barkley scored 36 points and grabbed 12 rebounds to lift Philadelphia to its sixth victory in seven games.

Heat 116, Hornets 100

At Charlotte, N.C., Kevin Edwards tied a career-high with 34 points to lead Miami.

Indiana 112, Houston 111

At Indianapolis, Reggie Miller scored 35 points, including two free throws with 3.9 seconds remaining, and Vern Fleming tied a team record with 18 assists.

Bulls 105, Clippers 97

At Los Angeles, John Paxson hit 12 of 16 shots to score a season-high 26 points, helping Chicago snap a two-game losing streak.

Spurs 107, Mavericks 104

At Dallas, a technical foul called against Dallas center James Donaldson turned the game around with 40 seconds left and Paul Pressey put San Antonio in front with 11 seconds remaining to bring the Spurs their fourth straight victory.

Jazz 97, SuperSonics 96

At Salt Lake City, Karl Malone scored 30 points to help Utah Coach Jerry Sloan to his 100th career victory. Xavier McDaniel led Seattle with 33 points.

Nets 116, Suns 114

At Phoenix, Mookie Blaylock hit a jump shot with 0.3 seconds remaining to help New Jersey end the longest road losing streak in NBA history at 34, dating back to December 1989.

Trail Blazers 143, Warriors 119

At Portland, Ore., Terry Porter scored 22 points and handed out 12 assists to

help Portland start the season with a 10-0 mark, a franchise record. The Trail Blazers also won their club record 14th straight game, dating back to last season.

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#90328u0174 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

RANGOON, BURMA (NOV. 24) UPI - The Burmese military government, in a fiery show of its anti-narcotics policy, burned stocks of illegal drugs with an estimated street value of $500 million, the state-run newspaper reported Saturday.

The bonfire of heroin, opium, and opium deriatives was set ablaze Thursday in Kokaung State, located in the ''Golden Triangle'' opium- producing area of northeast Burma, according to reports in the government-owned Working People's Daily. The blaze was witnessed by four U.N. and U.S. narcotics agents, the newspaper said.

Maj. Gen. Khin Nyunt, the chief of military intelligence and powerful secretary of the ruling junta, oversaw the destruction of the narcotics, the report said.

The report said the foreign narcotics officials inspected the packets of drugs which were piled high on a bamboo platform before putting the packets to the torch.

It said the drugs had an estimated U.S. street value of more than $500 million. Their wholesale value in Burma would be less than $5 million.

It was the third time that the Burmese government has publicly destroyed narcotics to emphasize it has not slackened its efforts to suppress opium production in Burma.

Anti-narcotics officials in the United States and Thailand have expressed doubts about the government's sincerity in fighting narcotics because of reports that the Burmese military has worked out deals with certain opium warlords to enlist their support against ethnic rebels.

Foreign officials also witnessed the first and second narcotics bonfires which took place in Rangoon on Feb. 13 and April 30, destroying 1,012 pounds of heroin with a total U.S. street value of more than $900 million.

The U.S. State Department has estimated that Burma is the largest producer of illicit opium in the world, growing some 2,000 tons per year.

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#90328u0188 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (NOV. 24) UPI - The first senior Western government minister to visit China officially since the 1989 Beijing crackdown said Saturday his talks with Chinese leaders left him confident that Beijing would not block a proposed U.N. resolution authorizing military force against Iraq.

Spanish Foreign Minister Francisco Fernandez Ordonez declined to give details of his discussions with Premier Li Peng, President Yang Shangkun and Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, saying the talks were confidential.

But Ordonez took special pains during a news conference closing his three-day trip to praise China's support for the proposed Western-led effort to force Iraqi troops out of Kuwait.

He said nothing he had learned had led him to lose his conviction that a U.N. resolution authorizing the use of multinational military force to evict Iraqi troops from Kuwait could be passed before December.

''I believed before I came here that a resolution on the use of force is possible before the end of the month,'' Ordonez said. ''I say that it is still possible.''

Ordonez would not say whether China had given him assurances it would support a use-of-force resolution.

China, one of five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, consistently has backed non-military resolutions seeking to force Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to retreat from Kuwait.

Ordonez said he had been briefed about the Chinese foreign minister's meeting Friday with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, which dwelled at length on the Persian Gulf crisis.

He said nothing from the Qian-Shevardnadze talks had changed his belief that a use-of-force resolution was possible this month.

Ordonez said it was in part because of China's pro-Western position on Iraq's Aug. 2 conquest of Kuwait that the European Community had lifted most sanctions against Beijing.

Ordonez clearly linked China's anti-Iraq stance in the United Nations to the European Community's Oct. 22 lifting of most of the political sanctions imposed against China last year. The sanctions aimed to protest the communist government's brutal suppression of peaceful pro- democracy demonstrations.

''I think the responsible attitude of the Chinese government in the Security Council deserved some answer on the part of the international community,'' Ordonez told reporters.

''This was one of the most important reasons for the lifting of the embargo by the European Community,'' he said.

Ordonez was the first senior Western official to visit China officially since the EC lifted its sanctions banning high-level official contacts, government lending and cultural and academic exchanges.

Curbs on military cooperation and arms sales remain in place.

Most of the sanctions imposed by the United States and Japan remain in place, although China's relations with both countries have been improving steadily in recent months.

Ordonez stopped short of saying China's relations with Spain and the European Community had returned to normal, saying the bloodshed in Beijing last year had been relegated to history and could not be forgotten, but stressed that contacts must move forward.

''(Relations) are starting to be normal,'' he said.

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#90328u0199 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (NOV. 24) UPI - A long-jailed editor branded by the government as ''chief criminal instigator'' of last year's crushed democracy movement was charged Saturday with two of China's most serious crimes: sedition and spreading counterrevolutionary propaganda.

Word of the formal arrest and indictment of Wang Juntao, 32, was contained in a one-page notice sent to his wife by the Beijing Public Security Bureau, his wife told United Press International.

The notice, dated Nov. 24, said Wang would be brought to trial on charges of intent to overthrow the communist government and dissemination of counterrevolutionary propaganda.

Under China's socialist legal system, the filing of formal charges generally is tantamount to conviction and defendants are expected to earn leniency by confessing their errors.

The severity of the charges against Wang suggests the hard-line government continues to regard Wang as one of a core of behind-the- scenes agitators who directed last year's protests, since other activists who played more public roles have been freed.

Although Wang was seldom seen in Tiananmen Square during the massive 1989 protests, he has been vilified by the government as a ''black hand'' and ''chief criminal instigator'' of the democracy movement.

Execution and lengthy prison terms are among the sentences that have been meted to Chinese convicted of counterrevolution or insurrection, which are considered extremely serious crimes because they challenge the communist government's legitimacy.

Wang's wife, Hou Xiaotian, 27, has campaigned tirelessly on her husband's behalf, preparing collections of his writings that she believes demonstrate his patriotism and commitment to change under socialism.

Wang, until last spring the editor of the path-breaking magazine Economics Weekly and one of its most prolific intellectual contributors, was arrested in October 1989 in south China, having been betrayed by a colleague.

He has been held without charge for 13 months at the Qincheng political prison outside Beijing, even though Chinese law limits such detentions to just a few days.

Although hundreds of Tiananmen Spring activists have been freed in recent months, Chinese sources have said the government was was readying formal charges against targeted dissidents including Wang, his colleague Chen Ziming and human rights activist Ren Wanding.

Derided now as a ''counterrevolutionary rebellion,'' the 1989 protests were crushed on June 3-4 when Chinese troops were ordered to open fire on the peaceful demonstrators.

Wang is a veteran of several democracy campaigns in China. He was arrested during the anti-government Tiananmen Incident of 1976 and was a founder of the unofficial newspaper Beijing Spring during the ill-fated Democracy Wall movement of 1978-79.

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#90328u0200 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 24) UPI - President Bush is back home after ending his week-long European and Middle Eastern trip with a meeting in Geneva with Syria's president on the Persian Gulf crisis. President and Mrs. Bush plan to spend a restful weekend at Camp David.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says Swiss security officials on duty for President Bush's visit Friday were less than hospitable. He says the guards verbally abused White House chief of staff John Sununu and ''shoved a machine gun'' into the stomach of a U-S diplomat.

There's a crisis within a crisis in the Soviet Union. Mikhail Gorbachev told the Parliament that he needs broad executive powers to guide the Soviet Union out of its economic crisis. However, Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov vowed to

quit if Gorbachev is given the powers.

Local elections opened in Czechoslovakia Friday and continue Saturday, as voters in the country's eastern republic of Slovakia select representatives to town and county councils. It's the first free vote for local officials since 1948.

The State Department has authorized embassy dependents in Sudan to leave the country and warned American private citizens to leave because of large anti-U-S and pro-Iraqi demonstrations.

The Treasury Department says the United States posted a budget deficit of 31-point-46 BILLION dollars in October in the opening month of fiscal 1991. The total 1991 deficit is expected to be at least 176- point-33 BILLION dollars.

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#90328u0202 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL (NOV. 24) UPI - Sot Chitalada of Thailand defended his World Boxing Council flyweight title Saturday with a 12-round majority decision over former light flyweight champion Chang Chung-ku of South Korea.

There were no knockdowns in the free-swinging bout as both fighters frequently missed wild shots.

Judge Dave Moretti of the United States scored the fight 114-113 and Miguel Donate of Puerto Rico had it 115-114 for the champion. Rudy Jordan of the United States scored it 114-114.

Chitalada, 28, made the fifth successful title defense of the crown he won in June 1989 from Kim Yong-kang of South Korea. Chitalada improved to 23-2-1.

Chang, 27, defended his WBC light flyweight crown 15 times before retiring in June, 1988. He came back to the ring in August, 1989. Chang dropped to 38-3.

Both fighters weighed 112.

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(NOV. 24) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE USA - SATURDAY

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	sy	60	27	....
Anchorage	pc	04	-03	....
Asheville	f	66	39	....
Atlanta	sy	67	42	....

Baltimore pc	65	40	.02
Billings w	61	50	....
Birmingham sy	69	36	....
Bismarck w	37	24	....
Boston mc	52	47	.14
Brownsville pc	87	69	....
Buffalo w	55	32	.03
Burlington Vt. sn	51	38	.07
Charleston S.C. sy	68	55	....
Charlotte f	73	44	.02
Chicago pc	48	31	....
Cincinnati pc	56	36	....
Cleveland pc	51	34	.02
Columbus Ohio pc	53	36	....
Dallas sy	75	44	....
Denver w	64	42	....
Des Moines pc	54	36	....
Detroit pc	50	32	.04
Duluth sn	36	13	.01
El Paso pc	66	42	....
Evansville sy	58	36	....
Fargo w	30	22	....
Hartford pc	50	40	.24
Honolulu sh	83	68	.11
Houston sy	73	42	....
Indianapolis sy	54	36	....
Jackson Miss. sy	71	38	....
Jacksonville sy	74	56	.01
Kansas City sy	61	41	....
Las Vegas sy	67	41	....
Little Rock sy	69	48	....
Los Angeles f	86	57	....
Louisville sy	58	40	....
Memphis sy	67	44	....
Miami Beach mc	78	69	....
Milwaukee pc	47	32	....
Minneapolis pc	44	27	....
Nashville sy	66	40	....
New Orleans sy	68	47	.14
New York pc	51	45	.50
Oklahoma City sy	70	48	....
Omaha sy	55	32	....
Orlando pc	79	61	.08
Philadelphia pc	52	44	.09
Phoenix f	80	55	....
Pittsburgh pc	56	33	....
Portland Me. r	46	42	.41
Portland Ore. r	56	55	....

Providence mc	53	41	.17
Richmond pc	72	48	....
St. Louis sy	60	48	....
Salt Lake City sy	51	29	....
San Antonio pc	71	45	....
San Diego f	78	54	....
San Francisco sy	68	50	....
San Juan pc	83	72	....
Seattle r	54	51	1.15
Spokane w	50	49	....
Tampa pc	78	65	.23
Washington pc	68	42	.01
Wichita sy	65	36	....

c-clear	cl-clearing	cy-cloudy	f-fair
fy-foggy	hz-haze	m-missing	mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy	r-rain	sh-showers	sm-smoke
sn-snow	sy-sunny	ts-thunderstorms	w-windy

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(NOV. 24) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE WORLD - SATURDAY

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Nov. 24:

City	Local Time	Temp F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	42	05
Amsterdam cy	1pm	39	04
Ankara cy	3pm	59	15
Athens pc	2pm	69	20
Auckland pc	12m	62	16
Beijing c	8pm	45	07
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	41	05
Bonn r	1pm	39	04
Brussels cy	1pm	40	04
Cairo d	2pm	73	23
Casablanca cy	12n	62	17
Copenhagen cy	1pm	39	04
Dakar cy	12n	78	25
Dublin r	1pm	42	05
Geneva c	1pm	41	05
Helsinki cy	2pm	26	-03
Hong Kong c	8pm	70	21
Jerusalem pc	2pm	75	24
Karachi c	5pm	85	29

Lisbon r	1pm	60	15
London cy	1pm	43	06
Madrid cy	1pm	53	11
Malta	1pm	-	-
Manila c	8pm	82	28
Moscow c	3pm	27	-02
Nairobi c	3pm	78	25
Nassau cy	7am	66	19
New Delhi c	6pm	74	23
Nice c	1pm	48	09
Oslo cy	1pm	32	00
Paris cy	1pm	45	07
Pretoria cy	2pm	79	26
Riyadh	3pm	78	25
Rome pc	1pm	60	16
Seoul hz	9pm	49	09
Sofia pc	2pm	54	12
Stockholm cy	1pm	37	02
Sydney cy	10pm	65	18
Taipei c	8pm	70	21
Tokyo c	9pm	56	13
Tunis pc	1pm	62	16
Vienna pc	1pm	48	09
Warsaw cy	1pm	46	08

Latin America

Buenos Aires pc	9am	77	25
Caracas cy	8am	68	20
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	63	17
Mexico City hz	6am	50	10
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	78	25
Santiago c	8am	61	16

Canada

Calgary sn		12	-11
Edmonton c		04	-15
Montreal r		50	10
Ottawa r		49	09
Regina		--	-
Toronto cy		52	11
Vancouver pc		56	13
Winnipeg sn		17	-08

c-clear	cy-cloudy	d-dust	fy-foggy
hz-haze	pc-partly cloudy	r-rain	s-snow
w-windy			

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#90328u0224 11/24/1990 ~United Press International
CAIRO, EGYPT (NOV. 24) UPI - A senior Omani minister left Muscat Saturday for Tehran for talks with senior Iranian leaders expected to focus on developments of the Persian Gulf crisis, the Omani news agency reported.

During his two-day visit, the Omani minister of state for foreign affairs, Youssef Bin Alwai, will meet Iranian president Ali Akber Hashimi Rafsanjani and hold talks with his Iranian counterpart, Ali Akbar Velayati on the crisis triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Alawi's visit to Tehran comes two days after Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz visited the Omani capital, where he delivered a message from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to Sultan Qaboos bin Said of Oman dealing with the latest developments in the gulf crisis.

Oman, a member of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council, had played a leading role in ending the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war by maintaining good relations with both Baghdad and Tehran.

Aziz's visit to Muscat, the first by an Iraqi official since the occupation of Kuwait, prompted some diplomats to speculate the Iraqi president might be seeking a mediation role by Oman in ending the crisis.

In a related development, a meeting by the foreign ministers of the GCC scheduled for Saturday was postponed to give the ministers a chance to attend a meeting of the U.N. Security Council, where they will discuss a possible resolution sanctioning the use of force against Iraq.

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#90328u0232 11/24/1990 ~United Press International
ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (NOV. 24) UPI - Pakistan has recalled four of its envoys from the Persian Gulf region for urgent consultations amid fear of impending war, Foreign Office sources said Saturday.

One of the sources confirmed the Pakistani ambassadors to Saudi Arabia, Iran, Iraq and Kuwait had been recalled because ''Pakistan takes President Bush's plan to take'' U.N. action against Iraq by Nov. 30 ''very seriously.''

Bush and Secretary of State James Baker have been working against a Nov. 30 deadline to achieve U.N. Security Council consensus on a resolution authorizing the use of force to oust Iraq from Kuwait if a U.N. embargo of Iraq fails to dislodge President Saddam Hussein's troops.

After Nov. 30, the United States surrenders the rotating presidency of the Security Council to Yemen, a gulf state which so far has opposed such a

resolution - despite a recent trip to Yemen by Baker seeking such support.

After a meeting with Foreign Minister Yaqub Khan, the returning Pakistani ambassadors will meet with new Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif on Sunday.

Pakistan is a Moslem country and an ally of Saudi Arabia, where U.S.- led international forces deployed after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Hundreds of thousands of Pakistanis also work in the gulf region, sending home much-needed funds. The Iraqi invasion of Kuwait has already reduced Pakistan's foreign exchange earnings.

Islamabad has committed 5,000 troops for ''the defense of the holy lands,'' but only 2,000 of them have been sent.

The foreign office sources refused to confirm Pakistani news reports that Islamabad has offered to send an armored brigade to Saudi Arabia.

Ijlal Haider Zaidi, Sharif's adviser on defense, will soon be leaving for Saudi Arabia for further discussions, one news report said Friday.

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#90328u0244 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 24) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I has the latest news.

President Bush is back home after meeting in Geneva with Syrian President Hafez Assad yesterday. The stop in Geneva was the last on the president's hectic eight-day journey, during which he discussed the Persian Gulf crisis with key European and Middle East leaders.

Bush and his wife plan to spend the weekend at Camp David, before returning to the White House.

The main topic of conversation in London yesterday was who will be the next prime minister. Office workers partied and bookmakers reported a booming trade in bets on Margaret Thatcher's successor. Bookstores reported sales of instant Thatcher memorabilia. Thatcher resigned Thursday when her support dwindled in Parliament. An election to fill her post will be held Tuesday.

Scheduled talks between the striking Newspaper Guild and the New York Daily News management failed to materialize yesterday when negotiators were unable to get a federal mediator to join them. The 30th day of the strike by the Guild and eight other unions was marked by an educational march by strikers in the Bronx, urging the public not to buy or subscribe to the News.

The private relief group AmeriCares says it will airlift more than

340-thousand pounds of food and medicines to the Soviet Union during the Christmas holiday to ease shortages in orphanages and hospitals. The group says the first two flights will leave Connecticut for Moscow on December 23rd and 26th, with a third planned for late January to aid children, the ill and the elderly.

Anti-fur activists marched through the streets of several major cities yesterday, heckling consumers in upscale shopping districts from New York to Beverly Hills. The fifth annual Fur-Free Friday was marked with demonstrations in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle. There were no immediate reports of arrests.

Britain's Queen Elizabeth yesterday made her first visit to unified Germany. During her one-day trip, the queen visited the Royal Air Force base near the Dutch border and had tea with German President Richard von Weizsaecker. More than 600 children waved little Union Jacks as the queen made her first inspection of an R-A-F base in Germany.

Sources in El Salvador say rebels shot down an A-37 Salvadoran air force plane yesterday during fighting with the army in an eastern province. The U-S Embassy said the rebel offensive that began Tuesday has left 179 people dead, including civilians, rebels and soldiers. 359 have been wounded.

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#90328u0269 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 24) UPI - Iraqi authorities have admitted several teenage students were arrested in Baghdad for causing ''a state of panic'' in schools in one of the most serious outbreaks of unrest in Iraq since the Persian Gulf crisis began, Arab news media reported Saturday.

The admission followed unconfirmed reports by travelers from Bagdhad to other Arab countries that eight teenage girls had been killed in schoolyard clashes between authorities and dissenting teenagers.

Iraqi newspapers said an unspecified number of Iraqi teenagers had been arrested in Baghdad after they distributed leaflets and wrote slogans on school walls, creating what the papers said was ''a state of panic.''

The newspapers gave no details of the contents of the leaflets or the nature of the slogans. It said the students also made ''provocative'' phone calls, but did not say to whom.

Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency said Iraqi authorities blamed the disturbances on the Kuwaiti resistance, which surfaced after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. The Iraqi newspapers said the Interior Ministry had asked authorities to prevent further incidents.

Observers say economic sanctions imposed against Iraq for the invasion have caused serious hardships to the Iraqi people, while having little effect on President Saddam Hussein.

Meanwhile, the foreign ministers of member states of the U.N. Security Council prepared for a meeting next week to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis and a possible resolution authorizing the use of force to oust Iraqi troops from occupied Kuwait.

The meeting comes after a Middle East and European tour by President Bush to solidify the alliance against Iraq, which won him a firm pledge of support from Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, but Syria's Hafez Assad said he could not back an option to use military force in the crisis.

Bush has indicated he wants a U.N. resolution authorizing force in the gulf in order to send a clear message to Saddam and to pave the way for a possible military strike.

The United States has deployed more than 230,000 troops to the gulf, the forefront of a multi-national force assembled in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Washington has indicated it will send 200,000 more troops after the first of the year.

The Soviet ambassador to the United Nations said he expected the Security Council to send another stern warning to Iraq, but would not say if the Soviet Union would approve military action, Cairo radio reported Saturday.

In Beijing, Spanish Foreign Minister Francisco Fernandez Ordonez spoke with Chinese leaders and said the talks left him confident Beijing would not block a proposed U.N. resolution authorizing force.

''I believed before I came here that a resolution on the use of force is possible before the end of the month,'' Ordonez said after discussions with Prime Minister Li Peng. ''I say that is still possible.''

In London Saturday, a foreign ministry spokesman reported five British nationals had been arrested by Iraqi troops in Kuwait and moved to Baghdad. The five had been in hiding since Iraq invaded the emirate and began holding Westerners hostage at key military and economic sites as shields against attack.

In Baghdad, the official Iraqi news agency INA denied reports in the Western media that Secretary of State James Baker had refused to meet with an Iraqi official in Yemen earlier in the week.

Baker had gone to Sanaa in an apparently unsuccessful effort to convince the leaders of Yemen, the only Arab nation in the U.N. Security Council, to toughen their soft-line stand against Iraq.

In another high level meeting, Oman's foreign minister flew Saturday to meet with Iranian officials in Tehran, furthering speculation that Iraq had asked Oman to play a more important role in the crisis.

Oman played a key role in the mediation that ended the 1980-1988 Iran-Iraq war and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz went to Oman earlier this week to give Sultan Qaboos bin Said a personal message from Saddam.

In another development Saturday, Jordan's lower house of Parliament condemned the U.S.-led force in the gulf, its first official position since convening last week. It said the Western troops were deployed in the oil-rich region ''to achieve their greed in their hegemony over our wealth resources.''

King Hussein had criticized Western intervention in the gulf during a speech last week, saying it prevented Arabs from finding their own solution to the dispute.

Swiss authorities meanwhile said they would allow an Iraqi jetliner to load $800,000 worth of medicine from Switzerland next week, one of several shipments the country has facilitated in recent weeks. The U.N.- imposed trade and oil embargo against Iraq allows shipments of medicine for humanitarian reasons.

And Pakistani officials in Islamabad said Pakistan has recalled four of its envoys from the Persian Gulf region for urgent consultations amid fear of impending war.

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#90328u0283 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

BOGOTA, COLOMBIA (NOV. 24) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker, in Colombia on his continuing quest for support of a U.N. resolution authorizing use of force against Iraq, called Saturday for direct Israeli-Arab peace talks but would not link the issue to the gulf crisis.

Baker also said the use of arms ''may be the only thing'' Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''understands.''

The secretary of state met for an hour and 15 minutes with Colombian President Cesar Gaviria, mostly discussing the U.S. diplomatic offensive to promote U.N. authorization of force to dislodge Iraq from Kuwait if a U.N.-imposed economic embargo does not work. Colombia is a member of the 15-member U.N. Security Council.

After the meeting, Baker said the Bush administration also wants implementation of the U.N. resolutions calling for direct Israeli-Arab talks on the question of Palestinians living in Israeli-occupied territories.

''When I say it is important to the United Nations that its resolutions be implemented, I do not make a distinction between resolutions having to with the situation regarding Iraq and Kuwait or any other resolutions, resolutions having to do with the Arab-Israeli dispute,'' he said.

But he again refused, as some countries have suggested, to link such the Palestinian issue to a resolution of the crisis triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''All of the countries, almost all of the countries with whom I have had consultations agree that the situation of Iraq's aggression against Kuwait and the situation of the Arab-Israeli peace process are two different situations that should not be linked,'' he said.

Baker left Colombia immediately after the talks for a nearly seven- hour flight to Los Angeles, where he was to meet with the foreign minister of Malaysia, also a member of the Security Council.

He also said talks would be held with Cuba on the U.S. proposal. Cuba has been among the few states voting ''no'' on U.N. resolutions against Iraq. Baker also said he was not prepared to say how a Security Council vote would go over a use-of-force resolution.

Foreign Minister Luis Fernando Jaramillo said Colombia would consider any such proposal. But a senior official, who asked not to be identified, said the government did not believe all diplomatic channels had been exhausted and would not authorize using force when a peaceful settlement seemed possible.

While saying the United States ''strongly preferred'' a diplomatic settlement to the crisis, Baker said U.N. approval of military action would bring pressure on Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait.

''It may be the only thing he understands,'' Baker said. ''If so, that would be regrettable.''

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 24) UPI - President Bush, whose patience has apparently been pushed to the limit, was prepared to throw in all his chips this week to seek a United Nations go-ahead to take military action against Iraq if necessary.

The president and Secretary of State James Baker were in a race with time to win a new, tougher resolution before the United States has to turn over the chairmanship of the U.N. Security Council on Friday.

Baker will gather with the foreign ministers of the Security Council on

Thursday to try to hammer out the 11th and toughest resolution against Iraq since it annexed Kuwait Aug. 2.

Bush lobbied for U.N. votes authorizing the use of force against Iraq in talks with leaders who attended the 34-nation Paris summit and with Arab chieftains during his eight-day European-Middle Eastern journey.

The travel-weary president arrived home Saturday morning after a huddle with Syrian President Hafez Assad in Geneva, Switzerland, and then flew to Camp David to rest this weekend before departing for a two- day visit with Mexican leaders in Monterrey, Mexico.

Baker, who has toured the globe for two weeks to drum up support among Security Council nations to increase pressure against Iraq, played his cards close to the chest. Neither he nor Bush would say at several press conferences whether they had the U.N. votes to back up sanctions against Iraq with force.

There appeared to be a general pessimism, even among the leaders who were not ready to sign on the dotted line on the use of force, that Iraq's Saddam Hussein will not budge despite worldwide condemnation of his aggression in the Persian Gulf.

The Soviet Union and China, both permanent members of the Security Council, supported the U.N. resolutions against Iraq so far, but have not tipped their hand on a military solution.

In order for a new resolution to be approved, nine of the 15 council members must be in favor of it and none of the five permanent members may veto it.

As a result of his travels, Bush appeared to be sounding the drums of war even louder than before he left Washington. His rhetoric throughout the journey became more bellicose and he escalated his warnings that Saddam, a name he hissed when he mentioned the Iraqi leader, might soon have nuclear weapons of mass destruction.

His seven-hour odyssey to celebrate Thanksgiving Day with the American troops dug into the sands of Saudi Arabia seemed to have bolstered his sense of urgency over mission.

He told the troops, whose morale he found high, that they would never ''walk away'' from the job they had come to do, and furthermore, Saddam had never failed to use any weapon in his arsenal.

At a joint news conference in Cairo Friday with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, Bush insisted he had no time frame or battle plan for the gulf, that he was not being driven by a weather deadline or the Moslem religious month of fasting, called Ramadan.

But both he and Mubarak reflected a new impatience against the standoff in the gulf. ''We're getting tired of the status quo, and so is the rest of the world '' Bush said. He predicted a successful outcome of the U.S. quest for more action in the United Nations.

Meanwhile, at home, the four top Democratic and Republican leaders who accompanied Bush to Saudi Arabia and also found a high morale among the troops insisted that even if the United States gets a green light from the United Nations, the president must seek authorization from Congress to go to war.

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LAGRANGE, IN (NOV. 24) UPI - An Amish man is scheduled to appear in court this week on charges he abducted his estranged wife and daughter to deprogram them and force their return to his faith, authorities said Saturday.

Authorities from LaGrange County in northern Indiana were bringing Ezra Miller 36, back to the state from Mount Vernon, Ill., where he was put in jail last week in the case involving the conservative religious sect.

The man was arrested on charges of burglary and criminal confinement after his wife and daughter escaped 20 days of captivity.

LaGrange County Prosecutor Sue Glick said Miller is scheduled to appear in circuit court Monday for a hearing to set bond and arrange for counsel.

Three other people have been arrested in the case, and their bonds were set at $1 million apiece. A California deprogrammer was being sought by police, authorities said.

The Amish make up a Christian sect that favors plain dress and living, chiefly in agrarian society. The simple, conservative people have little reliance on modern conveniences.

Miller is accused of taking estranged wife Elma, 32, and their daughter Annie, 9, from the home of Elma's relatives on Halloween.

He allegedly tried to have his wife deprogrammed and returned to his Old Order Amish beliefs after she and her relatives began following doctrines different from those of his congregation, authorities said.

Miller and some ''English'' (non-Amish) friends allegedly abducted Elma and Annie forcibly from the home where they were staying. Glick said Elma's change in religious beliefs apparently led to the marital split. She had joined her parents, Ervin and Annie Yoder, and about six other Amish families in following Bible teachings of Wilbur Eash, who preached a doctrine different from that of the Amish in the area.

''The rights of Elma Miller were more or less trampled on,'' Glick said.

The Amish do not believe in divorce. ''When you choose a mate, you choose for life'' among the Old Order Amish, Glick said.

''Obviously, to us the view of the victim is paramount,'' Glick said. ''At this time, she wants action taken against the people who removed her from her home and separated her and her daughter over a 20-day period and held her against her will.''

The deprogrammer is a California man who reputedly charged $10,000 for such work, authorities said. He is still being sought.

Elma fled from the farm home of her husband's parents near Mount Vernon last Monday, and authorities were soon able to find Ezra Miller.

LaGrange County sheriff's Sgt. Jo Ann Waldron brought Elma and Annie back Tuesday - a seven-hour journey by car.

She described them as ''physically great, mentally tired.''

Waldron said Elma Miller escaped when left momentarily alone by her husband and the deprogrammer. She reached a nearby ''English'' farm that had a telephone. Old Order Amish don't have phones.

The sergeant said Elma's other children, a girl and boy, are believed to be in Illinois. They were in the father's custody before the abduction.

Also arrested in the case were Alvin Yoder, 34, a brother of Elma Miller; Robert Miller, 47, and Sue Miller, 44, who are unrelated to the other Millers and who are not Amish. They were charged with conspiracies to commit burglary and criminal confinement. They posted bonds of $1 million each with certified checks.

Ezra needed non-Amish people to drive the car he and others allegedly used in the abduction, authorities said. Old Order Amish don't drive automobiles.

Glick said complaints against Old Order Amish are few, usually involving young people raised in the Amish faith who have not gone into the church.

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TAMPA, FL (NOV. 24) UPI - The man who gained notoriety for raping a California teenager and hacking off her arms has been charged with stealing a $4 hat from a Florida store, his second arrest this year for petty theft.

Lawrence Singleton, 63, has been living in the Tampa area with his sister since 1988, following his controversial release from a California prison where he was serving a 14-year sentence for the 1978 rape and mutilation of a 15-year-old girl.

Singleton identified himself as Bill Johnson to Hillsborough County sheriff's deputies called to the scene Friday after employees at a Wal- Mart Store in the town of Seffner detained Singleton for allegedly smuggling a hat out of the store.

It was Singleton's second arrest in eight months on petty theft charges.

On Friday, a store security guard told deputies he saw Singleton pick up a white hat in the men's department and head for the cash register with his shopping cart.

Singleton paid for some diapers, but had allegedly rolled up the hat and stuffed it between his purchase and the shopping cart handle. He allegedly left the store without paying for the hat and was stopped, The Tampa Tribune reported Saturday.

Singleton insisted to deputies that his name was really Johnson. He also gave them the name and telephone number for a woman whom he insisted would verify his identity.

Investigators said the woman turned out to be his sister and she identified him as Singleton. He was subsequently cited for petty theft and resisting arrest without violence for giving a false name.

Deputies did not take Singleton to jail and released him at the scene after he signed a misdemeanor citation and agreed to appear in court in Plant City on Jan. 2.

In September, the Tampa native was released from the Hillsborough County Jail after serving two months of a six-month sentence for trying to shoplift a $10 disposable camera from a Brandon drug store in April.

Singleton - who served eight years of his 14-year sentence for raping the hitchhiker, chopping off her arms and leaving her for dead in a ditch - was paroled from prison in San Quentin, Calif., in 1987.

His release sparked a storm of protest in that state when authorities tried to find a town where he could serve his one-year parole.

The former merchant seaman and two-time divorcee decided to return to Florida. When he registered as a Florida citizen, he told authorities he was fully disabled and living on Social Security.

Shortly after his arrival in Tampa, someone tossed a homemade bomb on the front lawn of Singleton's brother's house, where he was staying. No one was hurt in the incident, and there were no arrests.

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(NOV. 24) UPI - President Bush is back home after having secured more international support for military action if needed to oust Iraqi troops from Kuwait. Bush conferred with world leaders at the Paris summit and in Saudi Arabia and Egypt... and most appear to be backing stronger action against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. But on his last stop in Geneva, Bush met with Syrian President Hafez Assad, who said he opposes the use of force. But Assad agreed that Iraq's invasion of Kuwait is ''unacceptable.''

Washington apple growers say they'll sue the perpetrators of last year's ''Alar scare.'' A group of 11 growers plan to file a class-action lawsuit next Wednesday seeking 250-Million dollars in damages. The group claims growers suffered heavy losses in sales after reports suggested that alar, used to treat apples, posed a cancer risk for school-age children. The reports touched off a national scare that caused apple sales to drop drastically, even though many growers had already stopped using the chemical.

New York vagrants are asking the nation's highest court to grant them the right to beg in the city's subway system. In a class-action suit, a group of the city's poorest residents claim that 1989 regulations prohibiting panhandling but allowing other forms of charitable solicitation in the massive subway system violates their constitutional rights. The Supreme Court could announce as early as Monday whether it will review the case or let the ban on begging stand.

Violence by Sikh extremists has left nine pepole dead in India's troubled northern state of Punjab. Police say a land mine exploded beneath a car about 20 miles south of the Sikh holy city of Amritsar, killing a senior police official and his three bodyguards. The driver was seriously injured. In another attack, radicals shot and killed five Hindus from two homes.

In Berma, the state-run newspaper reports the military government staged a fiery show of its anti-narcotics policy this week. The Working People's Daily says the government burned stocks of illegal drugs with an estimated street value of 500-Million dollars. It says the bonfire of heroin, opium, and opium deriatives was set ablaze Thursday in Kokaung State, located in the ''Golden Triangle'' opium-producing area of northeast Burma. Four U-N and U-S narcotics agents watched the fire.

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#90328u0425 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (NOV. 24) UPI - Thousands of anti-war demonstrators wearing gas masks and waving banners protested in Bonn Saturday against Germany's Persian Gulf policy, including 40 former hostages vowing to sue the government for allegedly failing to help them.

Demonstrators estimated to number about 6,500 gathered in front of the city hall near Bonn's marketplace to criticize what many called the aggressive pro-war policies of the United States and Germany.

Horst-Eberhard Richter, a well-known German psychoanalyst, sharply attacked Chancellor Helmut Kohl for planning to change the German constitution to allow Germany to send troops to the gulf.

''For the very reason that our government cannot send soldiers to the gulf and therefore not add to the military escalation, we expect that it takes decisive steps toward a political solution to the crisis,'' he said.

Germany's constitution does not allow the government to send troops outside the immediate theater of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

But Kohl has said he would push for changing the constitution to allow German troops to participate in U.S.-led multinational force deployed after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Richter called on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait and release all foreigners held hostage, but also urged politicians to refrain from the ''military attack option against Iraq and wait for economic sanctions to take effect.''

Demonstrators carrying banners and wearing gas masks formed a ''human chain'' in front of Kohl's office before marching more than a mile to downtown Bonn to listen to speakers.

''I think this is the only possibilty we have to stop the preparations for war in the gulf,'' said Kaethe Hoffmann, 42, a physician from Weinheim in southern Germany.

Speaking for the group of former hostages and their families, Patrizia Hundsdorf, the wife of a former hostage, said the government failed to assist the hostages.

''Matters of state are more important than human life,'' she said. ''That is my bitter conclusion.''

She said the government was wrong when it claimed Iraqi President Saddam Hussein alone was to blame for the taking of hostages, because Western arms producers contributed to the arms build-up in Iraq.

''Without the granting of export licences for weapons (for Iraq) by the

international community, there never would have been any hostages,'' she said, adding, ''Only the hostages themselves are innocent.''

After the demonstration, Hundsdorf and more than 40 former hostages met in a nearby restaurant and decided to lodge a civil suit against the German government for allegedly neglecting to assist the hostages.

Juergen Blum, held hostage in Iraq until his release in September for humanitarian reasons, was equally critical of the government but distanced himself from the pacifist stand of the demonstrators.

''Hussein must be gotten rid of or else Iraq will die,'' he said. ''The question is how ... Even Iraqi soldiers think he has gone too far.''

Many of the estimated 6,500 demonstrators were members of the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, one of the organizers of the demonstration and recipient of the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 24) UPI - Fred Shero, who coached the Philadelphia Flyers to back-to-back Stanley Cup championships in the 1970s, died Saturday after a long bout with cancer. He was 65.

Shero died about 5:30 a.m. EST at the Cooper Hospital University Medical Center in Camden, N.J. A team spokesman said Shero had been battling cancer for some years, and had been hospitalized for the last several weeks.

Shero coached in the New York Rangers minor league organization for 12 years before becoming the Flyers' head coach for the 1971-72 season. He coached the brawling Flyers for Flyers for seven years, leading the expansion club to Stanley Cup championships in 1974 and 1975 and four first-place finishes. The Flyers were the first NHL expansion team to win the championship.

Shero's Flyer squads included Bobby Clarke, a three-time Hart Trophy winner as the league's Most Valuable Player, and goaltender Bernie Parent, who won the Conn Smythe Trophy as the playoffs' most valuable player in the two Stanley Cup seasons.

Clarke is now general manager of the Minnesota North Stars.

Shero left the Flyers with one year left on his contract to become coach and general manager of the Rangers in 1978, and took the New York to the Stanley Cup finals in 1979 only to lose to Montreal.

Shero was fired by the Rangers during the 1980-81 season amid rumors of a drinking problem. His record with Flyers was 308-151-95 and with Rangers was

82-74-24.

Shero played in the NHL for the Rangers as a defenseman in 1947-48 and 1949-50 scoring 6 goals with 14 assists in 145 games.

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(NOV. 24) UPI - President Bush returned to Washington early today after sounding out leaders in Europe and the Middle East on possible military action to oust Iraqi forces from Kuwait. Most appear to back stronger action, but Syria said while it wants Iraq out of Kuwait, it opposes the use of force.

In another development, the tiny Arab nation of Yemen rebuffed Secretary of State Baker's efforts to persuade the government to support possible military action. Yemen next month will assume the presidency of the U-N Scurity Council which will vote on any resolution regarding force.

The U-S Supreme Court could rule as early as Monday on whether it will review the case of New York City vagrants seeking the right to beg in the city's subway system. The vagrants say the ban on panhandling violates their constitutional rights to free speech and equal protection.

At least nine people were killed today in violence blamed on Sikh extremists in India's northern Punjab state. Police say four of the victims- including a senior police official and his three bodyguards- died in a land mine blast beneath their vehicle.

Local elections continue in Czechoslovakia today as voters in the eastern republic of Slovakia choose representatives to town and county councils. The elections are the first free vote for local officials since the Communist uprising of 1948.

Candidates from 42 parties are taking part in the parliamentary elections. And the Communist Party, which took 13 percent of the vote nationwide in June's parliamentary elections, is expected to improve its performance.

British Prime Minister Thatcher's 15 years at the helm of the Conservative Party will end next week when Conservative members of Parliament choose a new party leader and prime minister. Three men are vying for the posts in Tuesday's ballot.

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(NOV. 24) UPI - President Bush returned home today from a European and Middle East diplomatic mission satisfied that he's secured more support for military action if needed against Iraq. Bush won assurances from most of the leaders he

conferred with at the Paris summit and in Saudi Arabia and Egypt for stronger action against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Many shared Bush's pessimism that Saddam would voluntarily withdraw his forces from Kuwait.

Bush is spending the weekend at the Camp David presidential retreat before departing on a trade mission to Mexico next week.

The State Department is warning Americans living in Sudan to leave the country in the wake of large anti-U-S and pro-Iraqi demonstrations in Khartoum and other cities. In addition, the State Department said there's reason to believe that there is a high potential for anti- American terrorist attacks in the Sudanese capital. The State Department yesterday authorized embassy dependents to leave the country. Sudan's revolutionary military government has sided with Iraq in the Persian Gulf crisis.

A Granville, Ohio, minister leaves New York tomorrow to deliver infant formula to Iraq. The Reverend George Williamson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, says he's aware of the risk of violating the U-N embargo against Iraq by making the delivery. But Williamson says obeying moral law is more important than abiding by civil law. He says the embargo is ''sort of like cruel and unusual punishment.''

Berma's military government reportedly burned an estimated more than 500-Million dollars worth of narcotics this week to show it has NOT slackened its efforts to suppress opium production. Anti-narcotics officials in the United States and Thailand have expressed doubts about the government's sincerity in fighting narcotics. They cite reports the Burmese military has worked out deals with certain opium warlords to enlist their support against ethnic rebels.

In El Salvador, rebels reportedly have shot down a Salvadoran air force plane in fighting with the army in an eastern province. Witnesses and military sources say the plane was bombarding rebels who had been attacking an army post about 57 miles east of the capital when it was shot down with ground-to-air missiles. One of the pilots was killed and the other managed to eject from the cockpit.

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#90328u0525 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 24) UPI - Foreign ministers of the U-N Security Council are preparing for a meeting next week to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis and a possible resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq. Cairo radio reported today that the Soviet ambassador to the United Nations says he expects the Security Council to send another stern warning to Iraq. But, according to the broadcast, the official would NOT say if the Soviet Union would approve military action.

In London, a Foreign Ministry spokesman reports five British nationals have been arrested by Iraqi troops in Kuwait and moved to Baghdad. The spokesman says the five had been in hiding since Iraq's August 2nd invasion of the emirate.

President Bush is spending the weekend at the Camp David presidential retreat in Maryland before departing on a trade mission to Mexico next week. The president and first lady Barbara returned home early today from an eight-day European and Middle East diplomatic mission. During his meetings with several heads of state at the Paris summit and in Saudi Arabia and Egypt, Bush secured firm support for military action if needed to oust Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Chinese authorities today finally charged a long-jailed editor branded as the ''chief criminal instigator'' of last year's crushed democracy movement. 32-year-old Wang Juntao was charged with two of China's most serious crimes... sedition and spreading counterrevolutionary propaganda. Chinese convicted of such crimes are usually executed or given lengthy prison terms.

With Americans heading into the holiday shopping season, retailers are looking to cut their theft losses. But a new survey says it's NOT the customers who are doing all the stealing. The Ernst and Young survey says employees do most of the stealing. According to the survey, employee theft accounts for seven times more revenue loss for retailers than shoplifting... even though 93 percent of those apprehended were customers.

Strong winds swept through the Rocky Mountains today... prompting high wind warnings for the mountains of Colorado, Wyoming and Montana. The National Weather Service says gusts were clocked at 100 miles an hour last night along the eastern slopes of the Rockies in Montana. Elsewhere, cold air moving across the Great Lakes produced snow over portions of western New York and northeast upper Michigan. And flood warnings were in effect for many rivers in western Washington, where it has been raining for most of the week.

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(NOV. 24) UPI - Iraqi authorities have admitted several teenage students were arrested in Baghdad for causing ''a state of panic'' in schools in one of the most serious outbreaks of unrest in Iraq since the Persian Gulf crisis began, Arab news media reported Saturday.

The admission followed unconfirmed reports by travelers from Baghdad to other Arab countries that eight teenage girls had been killed in schoolyard clashes between authorities and dissenting teenagers.

In other developments:

-Anti-war demonstrators marched in Germany and Britain to protest U.S. and

Western policy in the Persian Gulf in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

-Iraq promised to release some British and Italian hostages, while British officials said five more British citizens had been arrested in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

-Jordanian members of parliament condemned U.S.-led military intervention in the gulf.

Iraqi newspapers said an unspecified number of Iraqi teenagers had been arrested in Baghdad after they distributed leaflets and wrote slogans on school walls, creating what the papers said was ''a state of panic.''

The newspapers gave no details of the contents of the leaflets or the nature of the slogans. It said the students also made ''provocative'' phone calls, but did not say to whom.

Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency said Iraqi authorities blamed the disturbances on the Kuwaiti resistance, which surfaced after Iraq's invasion. The Iraqi newspapers said the Interior Ministry had asked authorities to prevent further incidents.

Observers say economic sanctions imposed against Iraq for the invasion have caused serious hardships to the Iraqi people, while having little effect on President Saddam Hussein.

Iraqi television showed two teenaged boys and two girls, saying they had had admitted to writing pro-Kuwaiti slogans on school walls with the blood of a bird.

In Bonn, Germany, an estimated 6,500 demonstrators wearing gas masks and waving banners gathered to protest what many called the aggressive, pro-war policies of Germany and the United States. The protesters included 40 former hostages vowing to sue the government for allegedly failing to help them.

And in London, several thousand people marched and held a rally in Hyde Park against British and U.S. military involvement in the gulf. No arrests or disturbances were reported at the rally, sponsored by a group called The Committee Against War in the Gulf.

Tony Benn, a left-wing Labor member of Parliament, spoke at the rally and said the U.S. and Britain were ''too agressive'' in their efforts to reach a solution. Benn flies Sunday to Iraq, where he hopes to negotiate with Saddam.

Iraq also said Saturday it would allow 10 British hostages to leave with wives who were visiting Baghdad, and that it would free a ''substantial'' number of Italians held as part of the human shield against Western attack, radio

reports and officials said.

Saddam promised to release all of the estimated 3,000 foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait beginning at Christmas, but has been letting batches of hostages go free in recent weeks. Earlier this week Baghdad said the remaining 150 Germans left in Iraq would be allowed to leave for home immediately.

Meanwhile, the foreign ministers of member states of the U.N. Security Council prepared for a meeting next week to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis and a possible resolution authorizing the use of force to oust Iraqi troops from occupied Kuwait.

The meeting comes after a Middle East and European tour by President Bush to solidify the alliance against Iraq, which won him a firm pledge of support from Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, but Syria's Hafez Assad said he could not back an option to use military force in the crisis.

Bush has indicated he wants a U.N. resolution authorizing force in the gulf in order to send a clear message to Saddam and to pave the way for a possible military strike.

The United States has deployed more than 230,000 troops to the gulf, the forefront of a multi-national force assembled in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Washington has indicated it will send 200,000 more troops after the first of the year.

The Soviet ambassador to the United Nations said he expected the Security Council to send another stern warning to Iraq, but would not say if the Soviet Union would approve military action, Cairo radio reported Saturday.

In Beijing, Spanish Foreign Minister Francisco Fernandez Ordonez spoke with Chinese leaders including Prime Minister Li Peng. Ordonez said the talks left him confident Beijing would not block a proposed U.N. resolution authorizing force - a move he said might be in effect ''before the end of the month.''

In London Saturday, a foreign ministry spokesman reported five British nationals had been arrested by Iraqi troops in Kuwait and moved to Baghdad. The five had been in hiding since Iraq invaded and began holding Westerners hostage at key military and economic sites as shields against attack.

In Baghdad, the official Iraqi news agency INA denied reports in the Western media that Secretary of State James Baker had refused to meet with an Iraqi official in Yemen earlier in the week. Baker went to Sanaa in an apparently unsuccessful effort to convince the leaders of Yemen, the only Arab nation in the U.N. Security Council, to toughen their soft-line stand against Iraq.

Oman's foreign minister meanwhile flew Saturday to meet with Iranian officials in Tehran, furthering speculation Iraq had asked Oman to play a more important

role in the crisis. Oman helped mediate the end of the 1980-1988 Iran-Iraq war and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz went to Oman earlier this week to give Sultan Qaboos bin Said a personal message from Saddam.

In another development Saturday, Jordan's lower house of Parliament condemned the U.S.-led force in the gulf, its first official position since convening last week. It said the Western troops were deployed in the oil-rich region ''to achieve their greed in their hegemony over our wealth resources.''

King Hussein had criticized Western intervention in the gulf during a speech last week, saying it prevented Arabs from finding their own solution to the dispute.

Canada's Secretary for External Affairs Joe Clark met with King Hussein Saturday and afterward said the king had ''an important role to play'' in mediations on the crisis. Clark also said Canada did not rule out ''the necessity of using force against Iraq.''

Swiss authorities meanwhile said they would allow an Iraqi jetliner to load $800,000 worth of medicine from Switzerland next week, one of several shipments the country has facilitated in recent weeks. The U.N.- imposed trade and oil embargo against Iraq allows shipments of medicine for humanitarian reasons.

And Pakistani officials in Islamabad said Pakistan has recalled four of its envoys from the Persian Gulf region for urgent consultations amid fear of impending war.

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(NOV. 24) UPI - The Spanish foreign minister says his talks with Chinese leaders leave him confident that they will NOT block a U-N Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force to get Iraq out of Kuwait. President Bush wrapped up his eight-day European and Mideast tour in an emergency meeting with Syrian President Hafez Assad. The Syrian leader said afterward that he could NOT support the use of force against Iraq.

In Beijing, the Spanish foreign minister held a news conference after his talks with Chinese officials. He is the first senior Western government official to visit China officially since the 1989 crackdown on the pro-democracy movement. He declined to discuss details of his talks but said he remains certain that it is possible that a U-N Security Council resolution authorizing force in the Persian Gulf will be approved this month.

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when a land-mine exploded beneath his car. The driver was seriously injured. In another attack in a nearby town, five Hindus were driven from their two homes and shot to death.

Candidates from 42 parties are standing for the first multi-party local elections in Czechoslovakia since the Communist take-over in 1948. The voting in Slovakia began yesterday and continues today, when the balloting opened in the Czech lands of Bohemia and Moravia. Most observers say the ruling Civic Forum party is likely to fare worse in the balloting than its majority victory in June in the Czech regions.

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WARSAW, POLAND (NOV. 24) UPI - Poles choose their first freely elected president in decades Sunday, 18 months after the downfall of the Moscow-installed communist regime.

Although surveys show Solidarity union leader Lech Walesa favored by the voters, he is not expected to win the 50 percent he needs to avoid a second round Dec. 9.

A total of 22,241 polling offices will be open from 6 a.m. until 8 p.m. and there are 27,546,993 eligible voters, the government said.

Polish President Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski was elected in November 1989 by the National Assembly to a 6-year term, but under pressure he agreed to step down early. Jaruzelski is a former communist who introduced martial law in Poland in 1981 to quash Solidarity.

The Soviet Red Army installed a communist regime in Poland in 1944 during World War II. It fell June 4, 1989 when, in free parliamentary elections, solidarity members were chosen deputies and senators. Those elections were the

result of a roundtable agreement between the communists authorities and the opposition.

Sunday's presidential election is the first free such vote for a Polish president since the 1920s.

Until last week, surveys showed Walesa and Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki would be the chief rivals. But unexpectedly, independent candidate Stanislaw Tyminski moved ahead of the premier, according to the state-run public polling office CBOS.

Walesa, who conducted a typical American-style campaign, won approval by 27 percent of 1,000 people surveyed last week. Tyminski, a holder of Canadian and Peruvian passports who returned to Poland after 21 years abroad, got 21 percent - four points ahead of Mazowiecki.

Walesa drove 8,250 miles, visited 21 towns and met some 200,000 people during his campaign rallies.

Mazowiecki did not appear in public often, instead campaigning mostly from his office. His meeting with German Chancellor Helmut Kohl to sign a border treaty between the two countries, as well as his participation in last week's Paris conference of 34 nations, received much attention from the government media.

Mazowiecki and Walesa have offered similar programs.

But the premier's message was one of hard times ahead for the country, which already has more than 1 million unemployed, and emphasized the need to modernize all branches of the economy with Western aid.

Walesa, however, promised to lessen unemployment and blamed Mazowiecki for failing to speed up economic reforms through elimination of former communists from managerial jobs.

Walesa and Mazowiecki are seen linked to their roles with the union Solidarity only disagreeing over the pace of reforms.

Tyminski, described by Poles as a ''parachutist,'' has offered simple solutions to people hit by a nearly 40-percent drop in the standard of living.

Himself a wealthy businessman, Tyminski has promised quick financial rewards for Poles who work hard and promised to stage competitions to choose suitable Cabinet ministers.

According to a survey released Saturday by the private polling firm Demoskop, 32.6 percent of people said they would vote for Walesa, 20.2 percent expressed support for Mazowiecki while 19.3 percent backed Tyminsky.

The survey said 25.5 percent of those asked preferred Tyminski's television campaign programs, while 21.7 percent liked Walesa's programs and 14.7 liked Mazowiecki's television campaign.

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(NOV. 24) UPI - The Spanish foreign minister says he believes China will NOT stand in the way of a U-N Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force to drive Iraq out of Kuwait. He is the first senior Western official to visit Beijing since the pro-democracy crackdown in China in 1989. The Spanish official told a news conference that he would NOT discuss details of his talks in the Chinese capital. But he added that he still believes a resolution on using military force in the Persian Gulf can be passed this month.

The lower house of the first freely elected parliament in Jordan in 30 years ripped the U-S-led intervention in Saudi Arabia, criticizing the action as motivated by ''greed'' and intended to divert attention from Palestine. The lower house acted after King Hussein said in a speech from the throne that the Western intervention in the Persian Gulf wrecked any chance for a solution within an Arab framework.

A senior Omani official left his capital city for Tehran today to meet with senior Iranian leaders... their talks expected to focus on the Gulf situation. The Omani minister of state for foreign affairs is making the trip two days after Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz visited Oman with a message for the sultan of Oman.

Polish citizens lined up at three polling places in Chicago to cast their ballots for the first popularly elected president of Poland. The balloting in Poland itself will start tomorrow morning, but about 50- thousand Poles who reside in Chicago are eligible to cast absentee ballots. The city has the largest Polish population outside of Warsaw. At least 20-thousand are expected to vote.

The first ballot cast in Chicago was by 43-year-old Grazyna Kahl, who kept a vigil outside the Polish consulate from last night until the polling place opened this morning. She said she voted for Solidarity union founder Lech Walesa, who also is favored in the Poland vote tomorrow.

Authorities in Colorado arrested 62-year-old Arno Stein in connection with a wind-whipped fire that raced out of control across more than two- thousand acres northwest of Boulder. Authorities say Stein started the fire when he dragged a burning mattress from his rural home. The blaze destroyed 14 homes and forced the evacuation of residents in a two- square-mile area.

The Indonesian government today banned a New York Times correspondent and suspending publication of the International Herald Tribune in the nation. The

government acted because of an article Steven Erlanger wrote that criticized the business dealings of the family of Indonesia President Suharto. The article was picked up by the International Herald Tribune. The newspaper was accused of NOT applying Indonesia's ''self- censorship'' policy against material considered insulting to the head of state.

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#90328u0700 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon (NOV. 25) UPI - The Christian Lebanese Forces militia abandoned its strongholds in east Beirut Saturday, ending an era of militia rule and making possible a unified and demilitarized capital for the first time since civil war began in 1975, security sources said.

The LF pullout was the last step in a process to facilitate the deployment of Lebanese troops in the Beirut area after all other militias, including the pro-Syrian Amal movement, the Druze Progressive Socialist Party and the Iranian-backed Hezbollah evacuated the city earlier.

''The evacuation of heavy- and medium-range weapons as well as militiamen from Beirut is serious and complete,'' an LF source said.

A convoy of 30 military vehicles including 16 trucks loaded with ammunition, rockets, 155mm shells and explosives, left the militia headquarters, better known as the ''War Council,'' in the seaside area of Karantina in Christian east Beirut.

The retreating convoy was the first row of 360 armored vehicles and trucks to be withdrawn to the Christian heartland in Kesrouwan and Jbeil districts, north of the capital, within a maximum of 48 hours.

Lebanese soldiers closed the coastal highway linking Beirut to the north to ensure a safe withdrawal of the LF forces.

The pullout from the neighborhoods of Ashrafiyeh, Karantina and Dora coincided with the arrival of army troops from the Christian Maronite 5th Brigade, who will later take over militia positions.

More soldiers from the Sunni Moslem-dominated 2nd Brigade and the mainly-Shiite Moslem 6th Brigade were to join their fellow regulars in maintaining law and order in these areas.

The moves could result in the unification of Beirut, long divided between the Christian east and Moslem west sectors, and torn by civil war between rival militias.

Lebanese Forces militia chief Samir Geagea had defied a deadline set by the pro-Syrian government of President Elias Hrawi to evacuate Beirut by midnight

Nov. 19, demanding the deployment of ''friendly'' troops.

Geagea feared a spillover of pro-Syrian gunmen in areas he evacuated, as in the Metn region following the ouster of rebel Christian Gen. Michel Aoun Oct. 13. But Geagea then yielded to government pressures following intensive contacts with different parties including Syria, the main power-broker in Lebanon.

''The Karantina War Council will be transformed into a political headquarters '' said a militia source who requested anonymity.

The source said all gunmen of the estimated 10,000 Lebanese Forces militia will quit east Beirut with the exception of 300 members who will stay behind to run the Karantina headquarters.

''The operation of the remaining members will be restricted to political action,'' he said. ''All of them will be unarmed civilians.''

The source said the Lebanese Army will provide protection to its left-behind members.

The Lebanese Forces War Council became infamous during the 15-year- old civil war for reported execution, liquidation and detention of Christian and Moslem rivals as well as Palestinians and Syrians.

Military sources said once the pullout was completed, obstacles would be removed from all roads and passageways that still divide Beirut.

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#90328u0723 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 24) UPI - Arab news media reports reaching Cairo say Iraqi authorities have admitted that several teen-agers were arrested in Baghdad for causing what was termed ''a state of panic'' in schools. The incidents are called the most serious outbreaks of unrest in Iraq since the invasion of Kuwait.

The reports follow unconfirmed statements by travelers from Baghdad that eight teen-age girls were killed in schoolyard battles between authorities and dissenting students.

Pakistani Foreign Office sources say Pakistan has recalled four of its envoys from Persian Gulf states for urgent consultations because of fears of impending war in the region. The sources say Pakistani ambassadors were recalled from Saudi Arabia, Iran, Iraq and Kuwait.

President Bush is spending the weekend at the Camp David retreat in the Maryland mountains. He went to the retreat after his return to Washington, D-C from an eight-day trip to Europe and the Middle East.

The long-jailed editor the Chinese government called the ''chief criminal instigator'' of last year's pro-democracy movement has been charged with two of China's most serious crimes... sedition and spreading counter-revolutionary propaganda.

The first freely contested election for local officials is under way in Czechoslovakia. Voting began yesterday and continues today in Slovakia, and the balloting began this morning in Bohemia and Moravia .

Sikh extremists are being blamed for at least nine deaths today in northern Punjab state in India. Authorities say the deaths included a senior police official and three bodyguards killed when a land-mine exploded under their car.

Authorities in Colorado say a man who dragged a burning mattress from his house started the wind-whipped fire that consumed more than two- thousand acres outside Boulder, destroying 14 homes. Residents of a two- square-mile area were forced to evacuate their homes.

Two members of the Puerto Rican singing group Menudo have been kicked out of the band because of their arrests on drug charges. Authorities say 18-year-old Sergio Gonzalez and 16-year-old Ruben Gomez were nabbed with small amounts of marijuana in their pockets this week.

74-year-old author Roald Dahl is dead. Hospital officials in London say Dahl died yesterday of a massive infection after having entered the hospital earlier this month for treatment of an uspecified ailment. Dahl was perhaps best known for his children's stories, including ''Charlie and the Chocolate Factory,'' which was made into the film ''Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory.''

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#90328u0745 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, Egypt (NOV. 25) UPI - A high-ranking Argentinian official said Saturday his country had halted its military cooperation with Iraq and called for a peacful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

''Argentina had stopped its military cooperation with Iraq including the abolishment of a project to develop the Candoz missile,'' the speaker of Argentina's senate, Eduard Menem, told a press conference in Cairo.

Menem, brother of Argentinian President Carlos Menem, met earlier in the day with Egypt's Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Maguid and Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Butros Ghali on developments in the crisis touched off by the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Menem did not say when his country had halted its military cooperation with

Baghdad or the reason, but it has been reported in the past that Argentina was among several countries involved in developing missiles projects in Iraq.

The Argentine official called for a peaceful solution to the crisis, but said ''any solution should based on the international resolutions'' which call for the complete Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the restoration of its legitimate government.

Argentina is among more than two dozen countries to send troops to the Persian Gulf region to serve with the Western-led multinational force deployed in the region to counter any further Iraqi aggression.

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#90328u0753 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (NOV. 25) UPI - Rebels have stepped up attacks against the country's U.S.-supplied air force, using sophisticated ground-to-air missiles in their latest offensive, the army said Saturday.

''During the last 72 hours, rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front have launched about 12 Sam 7 and Sam 14 ground-to-air missiles, but because of the skill of our pilots, only one hit its target,'' the armed forces said in a statement.

On Friday, one pilot was killed and a second managed to eject before a missile hit their A-37 air force jet near Santa Elena, 59 miles east of San Salvador, in the province of Usulutan, the military said.

It was the first time the armed forces acknowledged one of their planes had been shot down by a missile, although rebels have been known to possess the sophisticated anti-aircraft weapons for more than a year.

The jets, helicopters and airplanes supplied to the Salvadoran government by the United States as part of some $1 billion in military aid over the past decade are considered the government's biggest tactical advantage over the rebels.

Military strategists have speculated that rebel use of missiles could upset the tactical balance of El Salvador's civil war in which more than 72,000 people have died.

Usulutan saw heavy fighting this week during a limited offensive in which rebels attacked military installations and small towns in 10 of El Salvador's 14 provinces.

A U.S. pilot was slightly wounded Tuesday in the same zone when a helicopter belonging to a U.S. military adviser group was hit by gunfire, an embassy spokesman said.

The U.S. Embassy and the Salvadoran military said 179 people have been killed and 359 wounded in the offensive. The military said 10 of the dead and 75 of the wounded are civilians.

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#90328u0776 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

LAWTON, OK (NOV. 25) UPI - Rescue teams Saturday recovered the body of a civilian instructor pilot killed when an Army Reserve helicopter crashed into a lake while training for possible Middle East deployment, officials said.

Phillip Walker of Sheridan, Ark., was found in Lake Ellsworth about 3 p.m., after the helicopter was lifted out, officials said.

A Comanche County sheriff's deputy said it appeared that Walker, a civilian who was flying with a group of Arkansas Reservists, was pinned beneath the fuselage of the UH-1V Huey air ambulance when it crashed on Thanksgiving.

Five other members of the 374th Air Ambulance Company out of Little Rock, Ark. were rescued from 50-degree water after the helicopter crashed in about 15 feet of water about 9:30 p.m. Thursday.

The crew, training for possible deployment in support of Operation Desert Shield in the Persian Gulf, was using the night vision equipment at the time of the accident, said Fort Sill public affairs officer Maj. Charles Pope.

''Any time you fly low, there are risks. Any time you fly at night there are risks,'' Pope said. ''But technology has given us the capability to be out at night. They were using the most modern night vision equipment available. It's what is being used in the Persian Gulf.

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#90328u0791 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast (NOV. 25) UPI - Opposition attempts to break a 30-year hold on power by President Houphouet-Boigny and install political pluralism in the Ivory Coast will be put to the test Sunday in the country's first multiparty legislative elections.

A month ago, President Houphouet-Boigny clung on to power in the West African nation's first multiparty presidential contest. Houphouet- Boigny, who has ruled the Ivory Coast since independence from France in 1960, was reelected with more than 80 percent of the vote amid accusations of ballot-rigging.

The elections Sunday will be open to all 20 opposition parties, though most are too small to field more than a few candidates in the country's 154 electoral districts.

The opposition Ivorian Popular Front, which admits it lost the presidential election, has at least 40 seats guaranteed in the new assembly because there are no other candidates in those districts.

Ivorian Popular Front leader Laurent Gbagbo said Friday that the ''presidential election provided irrefutable proof that the forces of progress and change have become uncontainable in our country.''

Opposition parties are encouraging voters to cast ballots for each other because of the lack of opposition candidates in all districts. The Ivorian Popular Front will field 113 candidates, the largest number among the opposition parties, followed by 34 candidates for the Workers' Party .

But the opposition is relying on voters in the native villages of their leaders to cast ballots on the basis of traditional affiliations and alliances that have more to do with real power than party manifestos.

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#90328u0793 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

AMMAN, Jordan (NOV. 25) UPI - Canada's foreign affairs secretary said Saturday that Jordan's King Hussein has an important mediation role to play in bringing the Persian Gulf crisis toward a peaceful settlement.

Joe Clark, the Canadian secretary for external affairs, told reporters at a news conference that his discussions with King Hussein earlier in the day gave him more insight into the gulf crisis, which started on Aug. 2 with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

''King Hussein has been effective in mediation for peace in the past and I believe he has an important role to play in mediations in the gulf crisis,'' said Clark, who arrived Friday in Amman.

He said the king told him Iraqi President Saddam Hussein did not want war. ''And I told King Hussein that there are many other Western countries that do not want war,'' Clark said.

Clark declined to elaborate on his talks with the king, but he said the king made suggestions that could be pursued.

King Hussein has been advocating a peaceful settlement to the gulf crisis based on an agreement by Arab nations, and he has said Western intervention would only complicate the situation.

The Jordanian public also is sympathetic to Iraq in its position against the U.S.-led military intervention in the region.

Clark said his country, which is a member of the U.N. Security Council, preferred a peaceful solution for the crisis and insisted that U.N. resolutions against Iraq must be given a chance to work.

He did not rule out ''the necessity of using force against Iraq to withdraw'' from Kuwait, but described as ''dangerous'' a draft Security Council resolution that would grant the U.S.-led forces freedom to move against Iraq.

Clark also said Canada would give Jordan one third of its allocated budget to the countries hit most by the U.N.-imposed embargo on Iraq.

Jordan, which is hard hit by complying with the sanctions on Iraq, once its main trading partner, would receive $26.5 million Canadian out of the allocated $75 million Canadian, he said.

Details of the payment will be discussed with Jordanian officials in coming days, he said.

Clark declined to link a solution of the gulf crisis to a solution to the Arab-Israeli conflict, but he said Canada was anxious to see U.N. resolutions on the Palestine question be addressed.

He said the United Nations has been most effective and united on resolutions on the gulf crisis and said that made him ''optimistic that other resolutions would also be implemented in the same manner.''

At the end of the news conference, a man shouted at Clark, accusing him of being ''more Zionist and Israeli than the Zionists.''

Nabil Fawzi, a Canadian of Egyptian origin, shouted with a trembling voice that the Canadian government was ''Anglo-Saxon racist, anti-Arab and anti-minorities,'' and he said he was persecuted by the government.

Fawzi, who said he was an engineer who twice ran for mayor of Ottowa, accused Clark of advocating Jerusalem as the capital of Israel.

''I defy you and your prime minister for persecuting the minorities in Canada '' said Fawzi, who later told reporters he came to Jordan specifically to speak to Clark. ''On behalf of all Arab-Canadians, I want to tell you that we all support Iraq and the rights of the Palestinian people.''

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#90328u0811 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 24) UPI - Iraqi newspapers are reporting that an unspecified number of teen- agers have been arrested in Baghdad for distributing leaflets and writing slogans on school walls. There are NO details of what the leaflets or slogans involved but the papers said the students were creating what is termed

''a state of panic.'' Arab news media say Iraqi authorities made arrests in what is described as one of the most serious outbreaks of unrest since the invasion of Kuwait on August 2nd.

President Bush is at the retreat at Camp David, Maryland. He is resting up from his eight-day trip to Europe and the Middle East, where he was drumming up support for a U-N Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force in the Gulf. Bush won a solid endorsement from Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak yesterday, but his emergency session with Syrian President Hafez Assad did NOT go as well. Assad said he would NOT support the use of military action against Iraq.

Secretary of State Baker called today for direct Arab-Israeli peace talks, but he again refused to link the issue to the Persian Gulf crisis. Baker is in Colombia today, meeting with officials in Bogota to build support for a U-N Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq. Baker said after talks with Colombian leaders that force- as he put it- ''may be the only thing'' Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will understand.

Two polling places are open in Chicago today for citizens of Poland to cast absentee ballots for the nation's first freely elected president. There are 50-thousand eligible voters in the Chicago area, and officials say about one-half are expected to cast ballots. The vote in Poland is set for tomorrow, with Solidarity union founder Lech Walesa leading polls going into the ballot.

An Amish man is scheduled to appear in court in LaGrange, Indiana, on Monday on charges of burglary and criminal confinement. 36-year-old Ezra Miller is charged with kidnapping his estranged wife and daughter to de- program them and force their return to his faith. The man was arrested after his wife and daughter escaped 20 days of confinement.

Army personnel from Fort Sill, Oklahoma, this morning resumed their search for a man missing since an Arkansas Army Reserve ambulance helicopter crashed into Lake Ellsworth late Thursday. They are hunting for Phillip Walker of Sheridan, Arkansas, a civilian and instructor pilot. Four of the five soldiers rescued after the crash returned to duty. One remains hospitalized.

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#90328u0859 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 24) UPI - Secretary of State Baker today called for direct Arab-Israeli peace talks in the Middle East, in line with U-N resolutions on the question of Palestinians living in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. Baker is in Colombia, drumming up support for a U-N resolution to O-K the use of military force to drive Iraq out of Kuwait.

Arab news media are reporting an apparent serious outbreak of protests in Baghdad. Iraqi authorities have confirmed the arrests of an unspecified number

of teen-agers, and Iraqi newspapers say the action followed the distribution of leaflets, though NO details are given.

The semi-official Middle East News Agency reports from Cairo, Egypt, that Iraqi authorities blamed the disturbances on the Kuwaiti resistance. Earlier, there were unconfirmed reports from travelers from Baghdad that several teen-agers were killed in battles between Iraqi authorities and dissenters.

Sources in the Pakistani Foreign Office say officials have recalled the ambassadors from Saudi Arabia, Iran, Iraq and Kuwait for urgent consultations. The sources say the consultations were ordered because of fears of impending war in the Persian Gulf region.

President Bush is spending the weekend at the Camp David, Maryland, mountain retreat. The chief executive is resting up from his eight-day trip to Europe and the Middle East and preparing for a two-day visit with Mexican leaders in Monterrey, Mexico.

Colorado authorities say a man dragging a burning mattress out of his rural home sparked a wind-whipped fire that consumed more than two- thousand acres northwest of Boulder and destroyed 14 homes. They say residents of a two-square-mile area were evacuated because of the blaze.

A 36-year-old Amish man will face a bond hearing on Monday in LaGrange, Indiana, on charges he kidnapped his wife and daughter to de- program them and force their return to his faith. Authorities say Ezra Miller was being returned to LaGrange from Mount Vernon, Illinois, where he was arrested on charges of kidnapping and criminal confinement.

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#90328u0919 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEWBURY, MA (NOV. 24) UPI - Fire swept through a horse farm early Saturday, destroying two barns and killing nearly 60 race and show horses that were trapped in their stalls, officials said.

The blaze broke out just before 4 a.m. at the Sabbath Day Farm on Orchard Street in the Byfield section of Newbury, said fire Lt. Michael Bulgaris.

An alarm system notified the fire department but by the time firefighters arrived, both barns at the complex were engulfed in flames, Bulgaris said.

''Both barns were attached to the arena, with a courtyard in the middle, so you had a 'U' affect. Both barns were destroyed,'' Bulgaris said.

He said the flames started in one barn and, fueled by the flammable material stored inside, quickly jumped to the second.

''The barn is fairly open. There was hay, shavings and grain - every one of them flammable,'' he said.

Firefighters managed to rescue just three horses. About 58 horses perished in the blaze, most of them succumbing to smoke inhalation, Bulgaris said.

A caretaker lived in a home about 300 feet from the barns. That house was untouched by the flames and no humans were injured in the fire, Bulgaris said.

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#90328u0980 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 25) UPI - The Cotton Drought has ended in Austin.

The fifth-ranked Texas Longhorns, once an annual participant in the Cotton Bowl, clinched their first trip to Dallas in seven years Saturday with a 23-13 victory over No. 25 Baylor.

''Early in the season, I didn't expect us to go this far,'' said Texas quarterback Peter Gardere, who passed for 127 yards and a touchdown in leading the Longhorns to their first Southwest Conference title since 1983. ''I'm glad to be here, though - it's a lot of fun.''

Butch Hadnot also ran 19 yards for a touchdown and Pollak kicked three field goals for Texas, 9-1 overall and 6-0 in the SWC with one regular-season game remaining next week against Texas A&M.

The Longhorns trailed 10-0 after the first quarter before using a 17- point third period to win at Baylor for the first time since 1982.

''We showed we can come back after being down 10-0,'' Texas Coach David McWilliams said. ''The defense had played well, and I think we got some momentum when Michael Pollak kicked that 56-yard field goal at the close of the first half. That gave us a real boost.''

McWilliams agreed to a five-year contract extension after the game. His job was believed to be in jeopardy before the season after the Longhorns suffered consecutive losing seasons for the first time in more than 50 years.

The Longhorns were held to minus-6 yards rushing in the first half but recovered in the third quarter. Chris Samuels ran 28 yards to the Baylor 32, and three plays later Gardere found Keith Cash behind a fallen Charles Bell for a 31-yard touchdown pass.

''We changed some pass protection blocking schemes at the half and they worked real well in the third quarter,'' Gardere said.

The Bears grabbed a 10-0 first quarter lead on a 15-yard run by Robert Strait

and a 19-yard field goal by Jeff Ireland.

''We do this every week (fall behind),'' Cash said. ''We knew we'd get in there eventually.''

After the game, Baylor Coach Grant Teaff promoted the Longhorns for the national championship.

''I've voted for them No. 1 two times and I did that with honest feelings,'' Teaff said. ''I take my vote very seriously. I'll do it again this week. I want them to win the national championship.''

Baylor finished its season 6-4-1 and will stay home for the holidays, after Teaff turned down an ultimatum from the Independence bowl earlier in the week.

--- AROUND THE COLLEGE SCENE ---

In other games involving Top 10 teams, No. 4 Brigham Young trounced Utah State 45-10, No. 6 Nebraska lost to Oklahoma 45-10 on Friday and No. 10 Penn State beat Pittsburgh 22-17.

Also, No. 11 Iowa fell to Minnesota 31-24, No. 12 Tennessee ripped Kentucky 42-28, No. 14 Virginia was upended by Virginia Tech 38-13, No. 15 Michigan nipped co-No. 17 Ohio State 16-13, co-No. 17 Mississippi topped Mississippi State 21-9, No. 20 Illinois clipped Northwestern 28- 23, No. 22 Texas A&M blasted Texas Christian 56-10 and co-No. 23 Michigan State topped Wisconsin 14-9.

In late games, No. 2 Miami was at home against Syracuse and No. 8 Notre Dame visited No. 16 Southern Cal.

At Provo, Utah, Ty Detmer threw for 560 yards and five touchdowns to lead Brigham Young. Detmer's performance gave him 4,869 passing yards for the season, passing Andre Ware's NCAA single-season mark of 4,699 set last year.

At Norman, Okla., Mike McKinley ran for 87 yards and three touchdowns Friday, including a 48-yard TD scamper in the third quarter, to lead Oklahoma past Nebraska. The Sooners, who are ineligible for a bowl because of NCAA sanctions completed their season with an 8-3 record.

At University Park, Pa., Tony Sacca passed for 187 yards and a touchdown and ran for another 113 yards to lead Penn State over Pittsburgh. Sacca became the first Penn State quarterback to rush for 100 yards in a game since Elwood Petchell accomplished the feat in 1946.

At Minneapolis, Keswic Joiner recovered a blocked punt in the end zone for a touchdown and caught a TD pass to lead Minnesota over Rose Bowl-bound Iowa. The Hawkeyes tied with Illinois, Michigan and Michigan State at 6-2 in the Big

Ten, but beat all three teams.

At Knoxville, Tenn., Andy Kelly threw a school-record five TD passes to rally Tennessee closer to a Sugar Bowl berth. The Volunteers can clinch at least a tie for the Southeastern Conference title in its regular-season finale next week at Vanderbilt.

At Blacksburg, Va., Will Furrer threw for 254 yards and three TDs as Virginia Tech handed Virginia its third straight defeat. Vaughn Hebron also rushed for 142 yards on 31 carries for the Hokies. Virginia's Matt Blundin passed for 305 yards and two TDs in place of the injured Shawn Moore.

At Columbus, Ohio, J.D. Carlson kicked a 37-yard field goal on the final play to give Michigan its third straight victory over the Buckeyes. The Wolverines earned a berth in the Gator Bowl, while Ohio State will play Air Force in the Liberty Bowl.

At Jackson, Miss., quarterback Tommy Luke ran for 136 yards and two TDs as Mississippi beat the Bulldogs for the eighth time in the last nine years. The victory keeps the Rebels' hopes alive for the SEC title.

At Champaign, Ill., Howard Griffith rushed for 263 yards, scored two touchdowns and broke two school records to lead Illinois. Griffith's rushing total set a single-game high, breaking Jim Grabowski's 26-year- old record. He also notched his 32nd career TD to break Red Grange's 65- year school mark.

At College Station, Texas, Bucky Richardson scored twice and threw one touchdown pass and Darren Lewis scored three times for Texas A&M. After the game, Texas A&M accepted an invitation to play Brigham Young in the Holiday Bowl.

At East Lansing, Mich., Hyland Hickson ran for 134 yards and two TDs as Michigan State became the third team in Big Ten history to have two backs run for 1,000 yards in the same year. Hickson finished the season with 1,128 yards and teammate Tico Duckett, who had 82 against Wisconsin, totaled 1,376.

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#90328u1146 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 24) UPI - Iraqi television showed 20 teen-age boys and two girls, saying they admitted writing pro-Kuwaiti slogans on their shool walls. The report comes amid a flurry of reporting in the region of unrest among youths in Iraq.

Thousands of anti-war demonstrators marched in Bonn and London to protest American, German and British policies in the Persian Gulf.

The Spanish foreign minister said in Beijing that he believes the Chinese will

NOT stand in the way of a U-N Security Council resolution to authorize the use of force to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

The lower house of the Jordanian parliament adopted a statement condemning the presence of the U-S-led multi-national force in Saudi Arabia. The statement also condemned other Arab nations for inviting what it termed ''foreign invaders'' into the region.

Secretary of State Baker is calling for direct Arab-Israeli peace talks. Baker is on a Persian Gulf lobbying visit to Bogota, Colombia, but he refused to link the two issues.

The commander of Soviet forces still in eastern Germany says his troops are coming under increasing attacks. He says only the self- control of the 380-thousand troops has averted reprisals against German civilians.

Two prominent Conservatives who resigned from British Prime Minister Thatcher's government over her European Community policies today endorsed Michael Heseltine for party chairman. Heseltine is the renegade Conservative who fought Thatcher to a draw in a party vote, forcing her to resign.

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#90328u1153 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

BOULDER, CO (NOV. 25) UPI - A resident dragging a burning mattress from his rural home Saturday ignited a wind-whipped fire that raced across 6,500 acres, destroyed 15 structures and forced the evacuation of more than 100 residents.

The fast-moving fire continued to burn out of control late Saturday despite firefighters' efforts to snuff it with backfires and fire lines.

By 7 p.m., 6,500 acres were consumed and the northbound flames were headed towards a subdivision known as Crestview Estates. About 100 residents were evacuated.

Sheriff's Capt. Chuck Pringle said gusting winds were responsible for the fire's increasing unpredictability. Pringle said the fire was jumping fire lines and, in some cases, the flames were burning in both northerly and southerly directions.

''When you get gusty winds (combined with) canyons, ravines and culverts, basically all kinds of topography, that impacts fire behavior,'' he said.

Arno Stein, 62, who has a lengthy crime history, was arrested for starting the fire. Stein told investigators the mattress was burning when he arrived home shortly after 2 a.m.

''He said he dragged the mattress out of the house to save it from burning,''

Pringle said. ''But the house burned down and the fire spread.''

Investigators speculated that candles Stein was burning ignited the mattress at his home in a rural subdivision, about 2 miles northwest of Boulder.

Stein was booked at the Boulder County Jail on suspicion of firing woods and prairie, fourth-degree arson and reckless endangerment.

Pringle said Stein's arrest record includes theft, third-degree assault, harassment, resisting arrest, alcohol violations and damaging property. He previously was held for psychiatric observation.

The flames, fanned by Chinook winds blowing from the west at up to 60 mph, destroyed 10 homes and five outhouses in the first four hours. Another home was damaged.

The winds diminished to 25 to 35 mph during the early afternoon, but picked up to 60 mph later in the day.

Firefighters could not estimate when the fire would be controlled, but Pringle said they were preparing to battle the fire at least through the weekend.

More than 300 firefighters from 30 fire departments, aided by aerial tankers dropping fire-retardant chemicals, fought the blaze, which was fueled by pine trees, shrubs and prairie grass, Pringle said.

Residents of housing subdivisions in a 2-square-mile area were evacuated, starting about 4 a.m. A shelter was set up at Burbank Junior High School, where Red Cross spokeswoman Julie Phillips said at least 50 residents would be processed and lodging found for them in area hotels.

''Those are the people we know have been displaced, but a lot of other people are staying with family and friends,'' Phillips said.

Gov. Roy Romer toured the fire area to offer state support for the disaster effort, Pringle said.

Authorities Saturday had not established a damage figure.

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#90328u1203 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 24) UPI - There are signs of unrest in Iraq over its invasion and occupation of Kuwait. Arab news media report today that Iraqi authorities arrested several teen-agers for distributing leaflets and painting slogans on school walls. Iraqi television showed 20 teen-age boys and two girls, and an announcer said the group admitted painting pro-Kuwaiti slogans on their school.

Iraq today promised to release more British and Italian hostages, saying 10 Britons will be allowed to return to England with their wives, who are visiting in Baghdad. Iraq said an unspecified number of Italian hostages would be freed. An Italian pacifist group announced in Rome that a ''substantial'' number of Italians will be leaving Baghdad with a pacifist delegation that has been visiting the Iraqi capital this week.

A high-ranking Argentine official announced during a visit in Cairo, Egypt, that his country has halted all military co-operation with Iraq. The speaker of the Argentine Senate also called for a peaceful solution to the crisis. He said the end of military co-operation meant the cancellation of a joint Argentine-Iraqi project to develop a new missile.

The Christian Lebanese Forces militia abandoned its strongholds in east Beirut today, ending an era of militia rule in the Lebanese capital. The Christian withdrawal makes possible a unified and demilitarized capital for the first time since civil war erupted in 1975. The Christian withdrawal is the last step in the process of deploying regular Lebanese troops in the capital city.

An Army statement issued in San Salvador says the leftist rebels in El Salvador have stepped up their attacks on the U-S-supplied air force. The statement says the rebels are using sophisticated ground-to-air missiles in the latest offensive. It identified the missiles and Soviet- made Sam14 rockets.

Authorities in New York City say a Marine and one of his friends were arrested for allegedly punching and spitting on a Pakistani man aboard a subway train. They say the attack apparently was racially motivated. A spokesman says both men appeared to be intoxicated at the time of their arrests. Both are charged with grand larceny, assault and aggravated harassment.

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#90328u1257 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 24) UPI - Iraq promised today to release more foreign hostages. Iraq said 10 British and a substantial number of Italian hostages will be freed. But Britain says five more British citizens have been arrested in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait. In London and Bonn, anti-war demonstrators marched today to protest Western military involvement in the Persian Gulf.

President Bush is resting up from one trip and preparing for another. Bush went to Camp David late last night after he returned from eight days in Europe and the Middle East. He plans to go to Mexico next week. The four Democratic and Republican leaders who accompanied Bush to Saudi Arabia say Bush must get an O-K from Congress if he wants to go to war against Iraq.

Chrysler Chairman Lee Iacocca says he still does NOT want to be president but he'd like to be an influential adviser to the president. In an interview,

Iacocca says he'd like for a president to ask him to be the chief executive officer while the president is chairman of the board. However, Iacocca says he has NO plans to leave Chrysler.

A historian who helped plan the Ellis Island Immigrant Museum says she is pleased with the results. Virginia Yans-McLaughlin of Rutgers University says the Ellis Island museum meets one of society's oldest needs by telling epics. In her words... ''It is an epic NOT of great men but of common men.'' The museum on an island in New York opened this fall.

Former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young's 17-year-old son has been arrested. Police charged Andrew Young the Third with carrying a concealed weapon and possessing alcohol. One officer says Young pointed a pistol at him after a car Young and two other teen-agers were in was stopped because they allegedly threw a bag of trash from it.

The Soviet news agency says a bunker built to protect government leaders during World War Two has been opened to the public. Tass says Josef Stalin never spent a moment in the bunker. Stalin stayed in Moscow as Nazi troops approached. Even so, Tass says the bunker is open to the public try to instill pride in the U-S-S-R's war-time past.

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#90328u1434 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 24) UPI - A Thanksgiving weekend rainstorm is causing what some say is the worst flooding ever in western Washington state. Governor Booth Gardner called out the National Guard to help control widespread flooding and evacuate people. More than one-thousand residents have fled from their homes in low-lying areas near Seattle.

A wildfire destroyed 14 homes and forced people across a two-square- mile area to flee from their homes today near Boulder, Colorado. Chinook winds are making the fire hard to fight. The blaze is racing across a mountainous area northwest of Boulder.

Iraq said today it will free more foreign hostages- Britons and Italians. Iraq also said it had arrested several students in Baghdad who apparently staged public protests against the occupation of Kuwait.

The last militia left Lebanon's capital today. Lebanese troops will be deployed in Beirut, with their goal a demilitarized capital for the first time since the Lebanese civil war began in 1975.

Searchers recovered the body of a civilian pilot in Lake Ellsworth near Lawton Oklahoma, today. He was killed Thanksgiving Day when an Army Reserve helicopter crashed in the lake. Five Arkansas reservists were rescued.

Nineteen African countries vowed today to keep up sanctions against South Africa. The African leaders were gathered in Swaziland for an economic summit. Nelson Mandela was at the meeting as an observer.

Fire swept through a stable near Newbury, Massachusetts, this morning. Nearly 60 race and show horses were trapped in their stalls and died at the Sabbath Day Farm.

Indiana state police arrested two men today... and charged them with stealing Christmas trees. Police say the men stole cut trees that had been stacked for shipment on a farm southeast of Paoli.

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#90328u1537 11/24/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 24) UPI - The nation's capital has a record number of homicides for the third year in a row. The number of murders in Washington this year has risen to 436. More than 16-hundred people have been killed in the District of Columbia since 1986. Police Chief Isaac Fulwood says the numbers are frustrating... and he vows to resign if Washington's homicide rate doesN'T decline significantly in the near future.

Almost every river and stream in western Washington state from Chehalis north is flooding. And rivers in central Washington also are rising. More than one-thousand people fled from their homes today- some for the second time in two weeks in Washington's river valleys. The National Guard is helping evacuate people. And helicopters are on stand- by for quick rescues.

Chinook winds are interfering with fire-fighting near Boulder, Colorado. A wildfire has destroyed 14 homes and raced across more than 24-hundred acres. Police arrested a man they say caused the fire when he dragged a burning mattress out of his home. He was booked on charges of arson and reckless endangerment.

Cold air moving across the Great Lakes has produced snow over portions of western New York and northeast upper Michigan. Sault Ste. Marie reported four inches of snow, while up to two inches of snow fell along the Lake Ontario shore in New York State. Small hail pelted an area near Durham, Maine- a rare occurrence for New England in late November.

Tens of thousands of Polish-Americans cast absentee ballots today. Their votes will be transmitted by telecopy to Poland, where people will vote tomorrow for a new president. The polls indicate Solidarity founder Lech Walesa will win- but he might NOT get the 50 percent he needs to avoid a second round of voting December 9th.

Residents of the Czech lands of Bohemia and Moravia began casting ballots today for the first local elections in Czechoslovakia in decades. Voting in

Slovakia began yesterday and continued today. The precise impact of the elections is NOT expected to be known before the middle of the week.

The Ivory Coast will hold its first multi-party legislative elections tomorrow. The opposition will try to install political pluralism in the African country and break a 30-year hold on power by President Houphouet-Boigny. He has ruled the Ivory Coast since it became independent from France in 1960 and was re-elected last month.

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#90328u1633 11/24/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 24) UPI - The number of murders in Washington D-C this year has risen to 436... a record for the third year in a row. District of Columbia Police Chief Isaac Fulwood vows to resign if Washington's homicide rate doesN'T decline significantly in the near future.

The Washington state National Guard has helped evacuate more than one-thousand people from the flood-stricken western side of the state. Governor Booth Gardner activated the guard to help in evacuations in nine counties and in trying to divert floodwaters away from populated areas.

Colorado Governor Roy Romer is offering state help in fighting a wildfire near Boulder. The blaze has whipped across 24-hundred acres... and Chinook winds are interfering with fire-fighting. 15 houses have been destroyed and 100 people have been evacuated.

The Environmental Protection Agency is expected to invoke its rarely used veto power to stop a construction project in Florida's Dade County. The target is a proposed golf course that would decimate 54 acres of mangroves next to the Biscayne National Park.

Violence in Los Angeles County claimed at least 16 lives in the first two days of the Thanksgiving Day weekend. In one of the latest incidents, two gang members were killed in a running gunbattle with sheriff's deputies in East Los Angeles.

A 16-year-old Chicago boy who was shot in the head and killed while being robbed of his Chicago Bulls jacket. Police say a group of men accosted Deshund Coleman, stole his jacket and 20 dollars, and then shot him.

Doctors at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston have performed the first double lung transplant in New England. The seven-hour operation was performed yesterday on a 31-year-old woman suffering from cystic fibrosis.

Movie cowboy and Angels owner Gene Autry has put the last 10 acres of his Melody Ranch on the market. Autry held on to the last of the land in Placerita Canyon for his 41-year-old horse... Champion... who died earlier this year.

100-thousand holiday bulbs are being lit in Niagara Falls tonight... marking the beginning of the 10th annual Festival of Lights. The festival runs through January 6th.

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#90329d1740 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 25) - The 34th birthday of John McCarthy, the British journalist held hostage in Lebanon since April 1986, was marked beginning on Sunday by a series of demonstrations organized by the association Friends of John McCarthy.

A cell was reconstructed in a London studio according to instructions from Brian Keenan, an Irish professor liberated on August 24 after being held hostage for four and a half years, part of the time with Mr. McCarthy.

An actor playing the part of Mr. McCarthy was blindfolded and chained to a radiator in the cell.

On Monday, a petition is to be presented to the Prime Minister's residence at 10 Downing Street, calling on the British government to work for Mr. McCarthy's release.

On Tuesday, the captive's birthday, a clock which will recording the duration of his captivity will be placed on the facade of the mayor's office in his hometown of Camden.

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#90329d1800 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 25) - A chartered jumbo jet with 105 homeward-bound German hostages aboard took off Sunday for Frankfurt from Baghdad international airport, the German Foreign Office said here.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, who earlier this week said all German hostages could go free, ordered Saturday the release of ''a large number'' of Italian hostages and also cleared a departure for the husbands of 10 British women who came to Baghdad to see him.

The Bonn spokesman said about 15 German businesspeople insisted on staying behind in Baghdad. Their business was not disclosed.

Seven Germans who had been held hostage in Kuwait and had set out for Baghdad by road missed Sunday's flight on an Iraqi Airways Boeing 747. The Bonn spokesman said it was presumed they would be allowed to leave on some other rescue flight.

Arrangements had been made for every German who wanted to leave Iraq to get

out, said the spokesman, Hanns Schumacher.

The German magazine Der Spiegel claimed Saturday that some non-hostage Germans were still helping the Iraqi armaments and nerve-gas industry and were flying freely in and out of Baghdad.

In Rome it remained unclear Sunday how many Italians would be let go or when. '' The only sure thing is, it won't be all of them,'' said a member of an Italian delegation to Baghdad led by Catholic Archbishop Hilario Capucci. The Palestinian clergyman met Saddam.

A release might come in two or three days. About 250 Italians are being held by the Iraqis. An Italian plane chartered by the Rome government flew to Iraq Saturday with 25 tons of medicine and flew back empty.

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#90329d1870 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 25) - An Egyptian border policeman has been arrested following shooting near the Taba border with Israel early Sunday in which four Israelis were reported killed and 23 wounded.

Egypt's Mena news agency quoted Egyptian security officials as saying the man was believed responsible for shots fired from inside Egypt at passing Israeli vehicles on the Israeli said of the border.

Mena also quoted Egypt's Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Butros Ghali, as expressing regret over the incident to Israel's ambassador Ephraim Dubek at a meeting in Cairo.

''Dr Ghali...also expressed the hope that it would not affect the concern all parties shared for the maintenance of peace in the region,'' Mena reported, adding that investigations were continuing.

First reports said at least four Israelis were killed and 23 wounded in an Israeli bus when a single gunman who escaped in a waiting car after opening fire from across the Egyptian border.

The tourist bus was carrying civilians and soldiers. The attack took place close to border stone 81 some 25 kilometres north of the Eilat-Taba checkpoint at around 6.30 local time.

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#90329d1890 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Jeddah, Nov 25 dpa - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze is expected to visit the Middle East soon to prepare for a trip to the region by President Mikhail Gorbachev in December, it was reported here Sunday.

The Saudi newspaper Asharq al-Awsat, quoting informed sources in Egypt, said Shevardnadze would visit a number of Arab states to discuss developments in the Gulf region following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

The aim of the tour was to prepare for Gorbachev's tour in sometime next month it said. United States President George Bush visited Saudi Arabia and Egypt last Wednesday and Thursday.

The paper said Iraq would not be included in Shevardnadze's tour after differences had emerged between Moscow and Baghdad over the fate of Soviet experts in Iraq.

Another cause of friction had been Gorbachev's statement, after meeting with Bush in Paris earlier in the week, that the Soviet Union would not veto a United Nations' resolution sanctioning the use of force against Iraq.

In Abu Dhabi, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Belongov said Sunday Moscow did not rule out the possibility of a military option if all efforts to resolve the Gulf crisis peacefully failed.

In a statement at the end of a two-day visit to the United Arab Emirates (Uae) Gorbachev's special envoy said the U.N. Security Council would meet in the coming week to discuss the crisis. He expected it to issue a strong warning to Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait within a period to be agreed by the council members.

His remarks were carried by the Qatar News Agency. The Soviet envoy had had talks with Uae president Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahyan on bilateral relations and the Gulf crisis.

Belongov also visited Yemen, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Qatar and Bahrain.

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#90329d1900 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBAI (NOV. 25) - Pakistani Prime Minister Mohammed Nawaz Sharif was quoted as saying Sunday that his country has decided to send additional troops to the Gulf as soon as possible to confront the crisis brought on by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

In his statement carried by the United Arab Emirates (Uae) paper Al Bayan, Sharif - who concluded a two-day official visit to the Uae friday - declined to disclose the number of additional forces.

He pointed out that Pakistan had already sent a 5,000-man ground contingent to Saudi Arabia to join the U.S.-led 300,000-strong multinational force deployed in the Gulf.

Sharif, who also visited Saudi Arabia last week, said the developments in the Gulf had dominated his talks with Saudi and Uae leaders. He added that he also discussed economic and industrial cooperation between Pakistan and each of Saudi Arabia and the Uae.

It was Sharif's first visit to the Gulf since his election as prime minister early this month.

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#90329d1910 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHARTOUM (NOV. 25) - At least 33 people drowned when a boat capsized in northern Sudan, the Sudanese News Agency Suna reported Sunday.

It said the accident, caused by high winds and waves, happened Friday near the Kabushah irrigation project at Tarajumah in Sudan's northern region. Twenty-nine of the dead were women.

Armed forces and police had gone to the area to recover bodies and search for people still missing.

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#90329d2220 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 25) - One person was killed when a bomb exploded Sunday at a public meeting addressed by former prime minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh at a town in eastern India, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported.

The bomb went off during the meeting at Sitamarhi in Bihar state, triggering a stampede and a riot in which enraged crowds began stoning shops in the area, the news agency said.

Several people were injured but it was not clear if Mr. V.P. Singh, whose National Front government collapsed on November 7, after 11 months in office, was among the casualties.

PTI said police had arrested a man in connection with the explosion.

Bihar, reputed to be India's most lawless state, is administered by Mr. V.P. Singh's Janata Dal (People's Party).

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#90329d2280 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (NOV. 25) - At least two people were killed when a helicopter flying to an oil platform crashed in the Adriatic Sea off the northeastern Italian city of Ravenna early Sunday with 13 people on board, authorities said here.

Two survivors and two bodies had been pulled from the sea by noon, the civil protection services said.

The SA 330 Puma, built by Aerospatiale and leased by the Florentine air-taxi firm Elitos to the Italian oil company AGIP, was flying to an oil rig anchored a few kilometers (miles) off the northeastern Italian coast, when it went down.

There were 10 technicians and three crew on board.

The weather was windy, but visibility was good at the time.

Civil Protection Minister Vito Lattanzio immediately ordered all available rescue staff to the crash site to help firemen who launched the rescue effort.

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#90329d2300 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EILAT, Israel (NOV. 25) - A gunman in Egyptian uniform killed four Israelis and wounded 25 others, six seriously, early Sunday when he opened fire on four military vehicles and a civilian bus, Israeli military sources said.

The man attacked the vehicles on a road along the border in the Negev desert some 20 kilometres (13 miles)) north of this southern Israeli town.

The assailant had crossed the border and managed to flee with help from an accomplice waiting for him in a vehicle on the Egyptian side, the military sources said.

An eyewitness to the attack told Agence France-Presse that the gunman was wounded.

In earlier reports from Cairo, diplomats said the gunman with a semi-automatic rifle had fired on a tourist bus. Egypt's MENA news agency said the attacker, a frontier policeman, had been arrested.

It was the second such attack in a year. On February 4, masked gunmen intercepted a bus carrying Israeli tourists 60 kilometers (37 miles) north of Cairo on the desert road linking the Egyptian capital and the city of Ismailia on the Suez Canal.

They killed 11 and left 19 wounded.

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#90329d2450 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 25) - China, which so far has opposed a military solution to the Gulf crisis, is now ready to discuss a United Nations ultimatum calling on

Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, sources here said Sunday.

Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen has said he was prepared to leave for New York in the next few days to help draft such an ultimatum, a diplomat here said.

Mr. Qian had met with his Soviet counterpart Eduard Shevardnadze in Urumqi on Friday and discussed the possibility of addressing "a final warning" to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein calling on him to get out of Kuwait.

The third Sino-Soviet consultation on the Gulf crisis in less than three months resulted in an especially convoluted communique.

It said, "The two foreign ministers agreed that the two sides will continue to hold consultations with each other when the United Nations Security Council adopt additional measures, so as to ensure that the relevant resolutions adopted previously by the Security Council will be implemented in real earnest."

Analysts said the statement could be interpreted to mean that Beijing was not ruling out the eventual use of force but did not want to give Washington a blank check to initiate military action.

In another indication the military taboo has been lifted, the People's Daily, the Communist Party newspaper, said Sunday, "In case of a Security Council resolution authorizing the recourse to force, (U.S.) President George Bush should still get the green light from Congress."

Mr. Qian had mentioned Saturday to his Spanish counterpart, Francisco Fernandez Ordonez, the possibility of a compromise resolution that would amount to a "deferred declaration of war," in the phrase of one Western diplomat.

Mr. Frenandez Ordonez told reporters he was sure Beijing would not use its veto power, which it shares with the other permanent members of the Security Council -- the Soviet Union, the United States, France and Britain -- to block a resolution.

Up to now, Beijing has been the least supportive of a military response to Iraq's aggression.

China would not support Security Council 665, which calls on call on Iraq to leave Kuwait and imposes sanctions against Baghdad, until a clause was included stipulating "minimum use of force."

Before casting its next ballot, Beijing can again be expected to warn against "military adventurism," diplomats here say.

In the last few weeks, Beijing has made numerous calls for restraint, even sending Mr. Qian to meet with Mr. Hussein, the only foreign minister of a permanent Security Council member country to do so.

Since then, China has had a freer hand.

"We have spent a maximum of effort to promote peaceful mediation," a Chinese leader said late last week, as if seeking to absolve Beijing from moral responsibility in case a military conflict does erupt.

The Gulf crisis has helped bring China out of the international reprobation that has dogged it since its violent crushing of the democracy movement in June 1989.

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#90329d2830 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (NOV. 25) - Zimbabwe is in the midst of a severe famine, despite holding a major stockpile of maize and being one of the few black African nations to export grain.

Newspapers reported that three people have died of starvation while waiting for government aid. The Department of Social Welfare estimates that 1.8 million people are hungry.

Acting Minister of Labour and Social Welfare Eddison Zvobgo said on Thursday that the government was releasing funds to pay for the movement of nearly 20,000 tonnes of maize to drought-stricken areas.

But aid agencies say the measures are too late and that the blame lies with the government's incompetence and insensitivity.

''It's too little, too late,'' said Wilfred Tichangwa, national executive officer for Christian Care, an organisation specialising in food assistance all over Southern Africa.

''At independence (in 1980), the authorities were keen to prove things would be better than they were under the former white rhodesian government. But that seems to have been a vote-catching exercise,'' Tichangwa said.

''The drought has been very serious,'' said Joseph Sande, administrator for the Catholic Development Commission, which is feeding nearly 25,000 people. ''We've had some very bad years since independence, but this is probably the worst.''

The current rainy season has started late after an unusually hot, dry and long winter that was preceded by widespread crop failure in peasant farming areas.

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#90329d2880 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KHARTOUM (NOV. 25) - Rebels of the Patriotic Salvation Front led by former Chadian army commander-in-chief Idriss Deby said Sunday they had killed 870 Chadian troops the day before.

During the fighting, said to have taken place near Mounou, northeast of Fada, about 500 government troops defected, the rebels claimed.

The clashes, which broke out two weeks ago, had been confined to the border towns of Tina and Adre.

Radio France-Inter reported that Chadian President Hissene Habre went to the front himself to direct an offensive. Government troops apparently intend to cut off a rebel retreat into the Sudanese province of Darfur, where they have bases.

A french television reporter said that hospitals in the Chadian capital Ndjamena were filling up with the wounded.

Meanwhile, Sudan's military ruler Gen. Omar Beshir said Sunday that his country had expelled Chadian dissidents who had launched raids into Chad from Sudanese territory.

Beshir said that no Chadian would be allowed to enter the country armed, and that those seeking refuge in Sudan would be disarmed and settled far away from the border.

Chad had recently accused Sudan and Libya of aiding the rebels. Deby fled with his supporters to Sudan after a failed coup attempt in April 1989.

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#90329d3030 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KATHMANDU (NOV. 25) - Defenders of Nepal's fledgling multi-party system disrupted rallies addressed by the country's ousted prime minister in two towns southeast of the capital on Sunday, drawing criticism from their leaders a political source said.

Lokendra Bahadur Chand, prime minister under the defunct single-party Panchyat system, flew to Janakpur, 250 kilometers (155 miles) from Kathmandu, where he was greeted by 10,000 supporters of his National Democratic Party (NDP).

In a row over slogans, his supporters were attacked by activists from the United Left Front and the Nepali Congress which led the campaign that brought down the single-party system in April.

The multi-party advocates set fire to the local NDP office as well as the car of former minister H.B. Malla, who had organised the airport reception for Mr. Chand.

Some police as well as an unspecified number of activists from both sides were injured, a Home Ministry source said.

Mr. Chand and other NDP leaders later tried to hold a public meeting in nearby Jaleswore but were chased away by the multi-party activists, who burned several tractors and a rickshaw, the political source said.

Nepali Congress general secretary Girija Prasasd Koirala appealed to the activists to tolerate criticism, stressing that in a democracy all had a right to express their views.

In a statement, Mr. Koirala said he regretted the activists had disrupted the Jaleswore meeting and another political rally Saturday in Kathmandu.

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#90329d3050 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 25) - Canadian Foreign Minister Joe Clark said Sunday that Canada would allocate 30 million dollars in assistance to countries adversely affected by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Clark, who was speaking after meeting Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel-Meguid, said Canada had decided to postpone Egypt's repayment of its 13-million dollar debt.

Egyptian radio said Clark described his talks with Meguid as useful. He expressed Canada's appreciation of the role being played by President Hosny Mubarak in working out a solution for the Gulf crisis.

Clark, who arrived in Cairo earlier Sunday, said Canada would resume efforts to find a solution to the Gulf problem, the radio said.

Meguid said Canada had ''a significant role to play in finding a peaceful solution to the Gulf problem and avoiding a military confrontation''.

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#90329d3100 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 25) - More than 150 rebels have been killed in recent fighting with Rwandan government forces in the commune of Kivuye in the north of the country, Rwandan Radio reported Sunday.

The broadcast, monitord in Kenya, said that fighting in the region, which began with a rebel attack at the beginning of the week, had just ended with a

victory by government forces.

In the Kivuye sector of the commune, 47 rebels were killed during the night of November 20, and in the Bungwe and Bushenya sectors over 15 rebels had been killed, the broadcast said.

''Yesterday was a tragic day for the assailants, as they lost 60 combatants at the Buhiga shopping centre, which had been in the hands of the bandits since the beginning of the week,'' the radio said.

Several thousand Tutsi refugees invaded northeastern Rwanda from neighbouring Uganda on September 30, sparking a civil war. Many Tutsis fled Rwanda 30 years ago following massacres by the majority Hutus.

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#90329d3260 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DOHA (NOV. 25) - Kuwaiti resistance fighters have killed the man Iraqi President Saddam Hussein appointed governor of Kuwait following Iraq's invasion on August 2, it was reported here Sunday.

The Qatari daily Al Sharq said three Kuwaitis gunned down Ali Hassan Majid as he was leaving his house in Kuwait.

Majid died on his way to hospital and his body was flown to Baghdad, the paper said, quoting Kuwaiti refugees who fled their Iraqi-annexed country recently.

The report said Majid had supervised massacres of Kurdish rebels in northern Iraq and had threatened to crush Kuwaiti resistance to the Iraqi occupation of the emirate.

Saddam appointed Aziz Saleh al-Neman, a key member of the ruling Baath Party, to replace Majid as governor of the ''province of Kuwait,'' on November 14.

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#90329d3650 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 25) - Baghdad on Sunday threatened to lodge official complaints against the United States, Britain, Turkey and Egypt should an Iraqi child or adult die because of lack of food or medicine.

Trade Minister Mohammad Mehdi Saleh said "complaints will be lodged against these countries because of their responsibility in preventing the arrival of food and medicine in Iraq."

He namely accused the United States of major responsibility for championing a United Nations trade embargo that was slapped against Iraq on August 6, four days after Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait.

Mr. Saleh did not say if the embargo had claimed any lives in Iraq nor did he specify where the complaints would be lodged.

Food cannot be sent to Iraq under the terms of the embargo while medicine is exempt.

Italian Radio-television (RAI) on Saturday reported the arrival in Baghdad of an Airbus carrying 25 tonnes of foodstuffs and medicine sent by the Italian government to Iraq.

The report, accompanied by a film showing the plane landing in Baghdad, said the shipment was destined for Iraqi children and had been sent in response to appeals from the World Health Organisation (WHO).

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#90329d3660 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 25) - India's new government has initiated moves to settle a temple-mosque dispute which has caused widespread rioting between Hindus and Moslems, a ruling party official said Sunday.

Satya Prakash Malviya of the Janata Dal-S (People's Party-Socialist) told reporters here that Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar had begun talking with "some political parties" to end the dispute.

Mr. Shekhar, who took office on November 10, would talk to other political parties and religious leaders as well, Mr. Malviya said, without giving further details.

Hindu militants are seeking to build a temple at the site of a dilapidated 16th-century mosque in the northern town of Ayodhya, said to be the birthplace of the Hindu Lord Rama.

The dispute has left hundreds dead across the country since 1986. At least 24 people died in police gunfire when hundreds of Hindus sought to take control of the mosque on October 30 and again on November 2.

"We want the temple to be constructed without disturbing the mosque," Mr. Malviya said.

The dispute caused the collapse of Prime Minister Vishwanath Pratap Singh's 11-month-old government on November 7.

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#90329d3710 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (NOV. 25) - Lech Walesa led the field in the first round of Polish

presidential elections on Sunday, taking 41 per cent of the votes, according to a first estimate by the German INFAS institute broadcast here.

Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki took 20.5 per cent, like their main rival Stanislaw Tyminski, Polish television said.

Mr. Walesa did not win an absolute majority and a second round will be held in a fortnight.

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#90329d3980 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOFIA (NOV. 25) - An attempt by the opposition trade union Podkrepa to mount a general strike Monday will be a test of its political strength in post-Stalinist Bulgaria, three days after the socialist government survived a no-confidence vote, analysts said Sunday.

Prime Minister Andrei Lukanov advised the press Saturday not to report the strike call, but the television said Podkrepa had called a rally here for Monday.

Both the government, formed of former communists, and the public prosecutor's office warned political strikes were illegal under Bulgarian law.

Meanwhile public transport workers in the capital threatened a walkout Monday that would paralyse traffic in this city of one million.

The Union of Democratic Forces (UDF), Bulgaria's main opposition alliance, has said it would support the strike, but not all of its 16 constituent parties agree. Several opposition leaders have voiced fears that the current tension could lead to chaos, or even civil war.

On Saturday about 30,000 people demonstrated here in a show of support for the socialist government, but police intervened when scuffles broke out after some 2,000 UDF backers mounted a counter-demonstration, calling for a general strike and chanting "Resign!", "We are hungry".

Mr. Lukanov's formerly communist Socialist Party survived a parliamentary vote of no-confidence, mounted by the opposition Friday, by 201 votes to 159, with six abstentions, but UDF head Petar Beron then led a walkout to consider his party's "new position".

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#90329d4000 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (NOV. 25) - Brazilians voted Sunday in a second round of gubernatorial elections in 15 states, including economic powerhouse Sao Paolo.

Paolo Maluf, a former military-era governor backed by President Fernando Collor de Mello, was in a close race in Sao Paolo against centrist Antonio Fleury of the Brazilian Democratic Movement Party.

Polls showed both Mr. Maluf and Mr. Fluery, a former public security secretary in a dead heat as they entered Sunday's round of voting and observers said the outcome would be a test of the weight of Mr. Collor's endorsement.

In national parliamentary elections October 3 for all lower house and one third of senate seats, Mr. Collor's ruling National Renovation Party (PRN) emerged short of a majority with 237 deputies, versus 249 opposition members.

With the legislature is prone to stalemate, the governors have emerged as important arbiters of power because of their influence over their state's representatives in the Congress.

As voting is mandatory in Brazil, crowds gathered at polling stations early to cast their ballots, particularly in densely populated and wealthy Sao Paolo state. Polls were opened from 1100 GMT through 2000 GMT.

In the Amazonian state of Rondonia, voters in remote villages accessible only by boat voted at floating polling stations provided by the federal election commission.

In Minas Gerais state, which alongside Sao Paolo dominates the political scene with the largest legislative representation, Helio Costa of the PRN was tied in the pre-election polls with Helio Garcia, a center-right presidential hopeful.

Leftist-populist Leonel Brizola of the Democratic Workers Party (PDT) was elected in October's first round in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil's second most important state.

In October's first round of gubernatorial elections ruling PRN candidates won in seven states including Bahia, Pernambuco and Santa Catarina, while the opposition picked up Goias and Amazonas states.

While Mr. Collor urged citizens Wednesday to vote for governors supportive of his administration, PRN candidates were distancing themselves from Mr. Collor and his mixed record.

Inflation in Brazil continues to rise -- about 17 per cent in the last four months -- the Collor administration has been plagued by scandals, discord and resignations.

In recent weeks, the minister of justice, the leader of the ruling party's bench in Congress, and the president of the state-run oil company Petrobras all have resigned.

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#90329d4190 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 25) - Iraqi Christians and a Japanese national who recently converted to Islam will organise peace rallies in Baghdad next month, officials said here Sunday.

The first one will be held December 3-5 and will be organised by representatives of Iraqi Christian churches in a show of support for the Iraqi people, and to denounce an international trade embargo against the country, the official Ath-Thawra newspaper said.

The promoters will also be issuing a call for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis that was triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

The second peace rally will take place December 2-3. It will be organised by Antonio Inoki, a Japanese legal writer, who recently converted to Islam and took the name Mohammad Hussein Inoki.

Mr. Inoki, officials here said, expects 240 show business stars, sports figures and journalists from several countries to attend the rally, with many coming from Japan for the occasion.

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#90329d4260 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 25) - The permanent members of the United Nations Security Council and Indonesia agreed here Sunday evening on the final version of a draft treaty to be submitted to the Cambodian factions and then to the Paris Conference on Cambodia, a reliable source said here.

The draft treaty consists of a 12-page agreement, five annexes, two documents on international guarantees, and a declaration concerning reconstruction, a Western diplomatic source said.

The meeting, which began Friday afternoon, was nearing its end Sunday evening, and participants were working on the final communique, which will include an appeal to the Cambodian parties, the source said.

Earlier in the day, former Cambodian ruler Prince Norodom Sihanouk urged the four rival Cambodian factions to take part in a "fraternal meeting" in Paris, a reliable source said.

He said it should take place "as soon as possible" to settle differences among the four factions, which relate primarily to naming a president of the Supreme National Council.

The four factions are the Phnom Penh regime, the Sihanouk camp, Khmers Rouges and the nationalistic right, and they have been unable to agree on terms for appointing the prince to head the Council, which was set up in Jakarta in September and is supposed to represent Cambodian sovereignty before general elections.

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#90329d4320 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (NOV. 25) - Irish Foreign Minister Gerry Collins concluded a three-day visit to Iran on Sunday during which he had talks with senior officials and signed a protocol agreement to set up a joint committee.

Mr. Collins, the first European foreign minister to visit Iran this year, was seen off by Iranian counterpart Ali Akbar Velayati, the official IRNA news agency reported.

Both men signed a protocol agreement here to set up a joint Iranian-Irish committee to develop economic, cultural and scientific affairs, IRNA said.

Before leaving, Mr. Collins said he hoped the committee would play an effective role in developing ties between the two countries.

Mr. Velayati told reporters that the Irish-Iranian talks covered current international affairs, notably the Gulf crisis triggered by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

"Iran has a key role in defusing the crisis and can have a capital role in maintaining stability in the region," Mr. Velayati said. He did not elaborate.

Mr. Collins also met during his stay here with President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani and with other senior officials.

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#90329d4380 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (NOV. 25) - The Civil Forum party which brought President Vaclav Havel to power last year led local elections in Czechoslovakia's Czech republic, scoring 35.4 per cent of the votes, while Christian Democrats came in first in the Slovak regions, according to official surveys outside polling stations.

The Christian Democrats rose from 12 per cent of the votes in general elections in June to 27.4 per cent in Czechoslovakia's first free local elections since 1938.

The Slovak Public Against Violence party, which backs Mr. Havel, gained 20.4 per cent, while nationalists scored 3.2 per cent, according to the survey.

Independent candidates were most successful in the Czech Bohemian and Moravian region, with 26.6 per cent. Communists and the Christian Democratic People's Party scored 15.8 per cent of the votes respectively in these two regions.

Czechs and Slovaks went to the polls on Friday and Saturday to elect new municipal representatives in close to 9,000 localities.

The vote, which represented the final stage in transfer of power from the former communist regime, will bring democratically elected leaders to towns and villages which have bee run by appointed communist officials since the late 1940's.

Final results will be announced Wednesday.

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#90329d4410 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 25) - A delegation from the Soviet oil ministry arrived here Sunday for talks with Iraqi officials on ways of boosting ties, the official INA news agency said.

The delegation led by the Soviet Under-secretary of state at the Oil and Gas Ministry, Sergei Araklian, was expected to have talks with officials from the Iraqi oil ministry on developing bilateral ties, INA said.

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#90329d4540 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 25) - National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft said Sunday the United States would press for the approval this week of a U.N. Security Council resolution implicitly providing for the use of force against Iraq.

Interviewed on ABC television, Mr. Scowcroft said he could not give the exact wording of such a draft resolution because it was still the subject of negotiation.

But, he said, "it will be something like taking the necessary means to enforce the 10 U.N. resolutions which, so far, Saddam Hussein has ignored."

"And it will be understood that if you say 'the necessary means,' that means military force if necessary?" Mr. Scowcroft was asked. "That's correct," the national security adviser replied.

"It is my judgement that the best chance to avoid war is to confront Saddam Hussein with the prospects of war," Mr. Scowcroft said.

U.S. diplomatic sources said the security council would be meeting Thursday at the foreign-minister level -- the second such meeting since Iraq's invasion of

Kuwait August 2.

"We will have a debate in the United Nations this week. I wouldn't be at all surprised but what it addresses that very subject of an additional resolution,

and I wouldn't want to predict the outcome," said Defense Secretary Dick Cheney in an interview on CBS television.

The Washington Post reported that the United States had already circulated a draft resolution among the four other permanent members of the Security Council -- the Soviet Union, China, France and Britain -- that stopped short of employing the word "force."

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker has returned from ten days of meetings with all of the Security Council members except Cuba. One of the main objectives of his intensive lobbying trip was to convince council colleagues to adopt by the end of November a resolution authorizing the use of force.

Canada, Colombia, Cuba, Ivory Coast, Ethiopia, Finland, Malaysia, Romania, Yemen and Zaire currently sit on the council together with the council's five permanent members.

U.S. officials are worried that such a resolution could be delayed or undone after Yemen assumes the council's rotating presidency next month, taking over from the United States.

Since August 2, five of the 10 resolutions adopted by the council have been unanimous. Three have passed with two abstentions, those of Yemen and Cuba, and two have passed with opposing votes, once on Yemen's part, and both times on Cuba's part.

In the interview with ABC television, Mr. Scowcroft warned that there were "many indications" that Mr. Hussein was preparing terrorist attacks, but he offered no specifics.

On the question of how soon Iraq might have nuclear weapons, Mr. Scowcroft said "the estimates range from months to as much as 10 years."

Also asked about the nuclear issue, Mr. Cheney told CBS television it was "not clear" how effective the embargo had been in curbing Iraq's nuclear program "because he's (Mr. Hussein) been working the problem for some time."

"I think he's closer today that he was a few months ago in the sense that he's making steady progress working this problem," Mr. Cheney said, adding that "we know from intelligence sources that he's working this problem very hard."

Even if Mr. Hussein withdrew from Kuwait, he said, his acquisition of sophisticated weapons would require "a far more aggressive set of sanctions

than anything we've seen up till now.

"That means the sanctions wouldn't go totally away. You're going to try to deny him any further access to the kind of technology he would need to develop this capability," Mr. Cheney said.

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#90329d4630 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV. 25) - President George Bush made a "serious mistake" by meeting with Syrian President Hafez el-Assad in Geneva last week, U.S. Senate Democratic Leader George Mitchell charged Sunday.

Mr. Bush "dignified" a man who, according to the Bush administration itself, has a "terrible human rights record" and "a long record of complicity in terrorism," Mr. Mitchell told CBS television.

"It was unnecessary," Mr. Mitchell said of the meeting. "The president hasn't met personally with the leaders of every nation that has contributed to send forces" to the Gulf.

Mr. Bush met with Mr. Assad Friday to seek support for a United Nations resolution authorizing the use of force to drive Iraq out of Kuwait.

Also Sunday, National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft told ABC television the meeting was important in light of Syria's participation among Arab nations in the international force amassed against Iraq.

Mr. Scowcroft said Mr. Bush had discussed with Mr. Assad the possibility of implicating a Damascus-based terrorist group in the December 1988 bombing of a Pan Am airliner over Lockerbie, Scotland, which killed 270 people. He said Mr. Assad requested proof of the group's alleged culpability.

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#90329d5500 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (NOV. 26) - Portugal on Sunday adopted a tough anti-inflationary budget, marking a turn towards austerity after several years of strong growth.

The government said that inflation remained "worrying" after five years of sustained real growth at an average rate of 4.3 percent a year, against an average of around three percent a year for other members of the European Economic Community (EEC).

As the year draws to a close, Portugal finds itself in a much less favorable economic situation from the international viewpoint than in the last few years, in the light of the Gulf crisis and higher and unstable oil prices, analysts said.

The country has no oil of its own.

Earlier this week Economics Minister Miguel Beleza told parliament that the budget was "not ideal, but it is the best one possible."

The 1991 budget calls for expenditures of 3.91 trillion escudos (about 30 billion dollars), with a planned deficit of 613 billion escudos (4.7 billion dollars), the latter being 6.3 percent of gross domestic product (GDP).

Expenditures are up by 450 billion escudos by comparison with 1990.

Social security, health and housing together account for 35.2 percent of all budgetary spending, while education gets 15.2 percent.

Receipts will come primarily from indirect taxes, which will bring the government 1.35 trillion escudos (10.4 billion dollars), up 15 percent from 1990.

The weight of direct taxation will also rise considerably however, up 35 per cent from 1990. Individual income taxes and corporation tax should bring in 831 billion escudos (6.4 billion dollars).

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#90329d5590 11/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 26) - Britain's economy will not start growing until the second half of next year, not enough to prevent a one-percent drop in output for 1991 Britain's largest employers association said Monday.

The assessment by the Confederation of British Industries contradicted the government's latest estimate of 0.5-percent growth of the gross National Product for next year.

The group said the GNP would grow in 1992 by 2.6 percent.

The confederation said inflation was likely to fall from its current rate of 10.9 percent to 5.1 percent at the end of next year, and then to 4.5 percent at the end of 1992.

The current-account balance of payments deficit would fall sharply, to 9.8 billion pounds (19 billion dollars), a CBI report said.

Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major said earlier this month that the deficit would hit 20 billion pounds (38 billion dollars) this year.

The CBI said its projections were based on the hypothesis that Britain's interest rates would fall by a percentage point before the end of the year.

But the body also warned that its predictions were more tentative than usual, due to the Gulf crisis.

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#90329e0017 11/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Freetown, Sierra Leone (NOV. 25) EFE - A peace-keeping force from five West African states was reported in heavy fighting Sunday with a rebel group round the area of Kakata, 18 km north of the Liberian capital of Monrovia, a spokesman for the force said.

Sunday marked the third day of the latest fighting between rival groups struggling for control of the country since Amos Sawyer was installed Thursday as president of the provisional government.

Sawyer's selection by Liberian exiles is being challenged by rebel leader Charles Taylor who heads the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL).

A spokesman for the Ecomonic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), which sponsored Sawyer's selection and the peace-keeping force said Sunday that Kakata could be in control of the peace-keeping forces within 24 hours.

Meanwhile, one death and 15 injuries were reported Saturday in the village of Bo located about 240 km south of Freetown when jets of the Nigerian Air Force flew low over the village. Villagers panicked believing they were being attacked by the NPFL, a spokesman for ECOWAS said.

Taylor has threatened to bombard villages in Sierra Leone in reprisal for the alleged use of Freetown airport as a base for Nigerian fighter-bombers to attack rebel positions in Liberia.

The Liberian civil war will be the focus of a ECOWAS summit next week in Mali. The 11-month-old war has killed more than 10,000 people and has forced a half million into exile.

The war began last Christmas when Taylor invaded Liberia from the Ivory Coast and ousted the government of Samuel Doe who was killed by a splinter group of the NPFL.

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#90329t2380 11/25/1990 ~ts

KABUL (NOV. 25) - OVER THE PAST TWO DAYS, AFGHAN ARMY UNITS CONDUCTED SEVERAL OPERATIONS TO LIQUIDATE REBEL GROUPS IN SAR-I-PUL PROVINCE, DESTROYING 15 STRONG POINTS AND AN OPPOSITION UNIT HEADQUARTERS. AFGHAN ARMY UNITS HAVE CAPTURED THIRTEEN SETTLEMENTS, PREVIOUSLY UNDER REBELS' CONTROL, SEIZING A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION.

ON FRIDAY, AFGHAN ARMY UNITS ATTACKED REBEL GROUPS TO THE SOUTHWEST OF THE TOWN OF QALAT IN ZABUL PROVINCE, DESTROYING AN ARMS CACHE AND TWO TRUCKS.

ACCORDING TO COMPETENT BODIES, OVER THE PAST WEEK, 465 REBELS WERE KILLED AND OVER 250 WOUNDED DURING CLASHES WITH GOVERNMENT FORCES.

SECURITY FORCES IN KUNDUZ CAPTURED AN ISLAMIC PARTY OF AFGHANISTAN (IPA) GROUP LEADER. DISGUISED IN WOMEN'S CLOTHES, HE TRIED TO PENETRATE THE TOWN TO PERFORM TERRORIST ACTS.

ACCORDING TO THE BAKHTAR NEWS AGENCY, CLASHES BETWEEN IPA AND ISLAMIC UNION FOR THE LIBERATION OF AFGHANISTAN UNITS OCCURRED IN LAGHMAN PROVINCE. THE SIDES USED HEAVY MACHINE-GUNS AND MISSILES, KILLING TEN AND WOUNDING 16 REBELS. OVER THE PAST WEEK, 315 PEOPLE WERE KILLED AND SOME 300 WOUNDED DURING CLASHES BETWEEN OPPOSITION GROUPS.

REBELS BEGAN GIVING MILITARY RANKS TO FIELD COMMANDERS. ISLAMIC SOCIETY OF AFGHANISTAN LEADER TURAN ISMAIL, WHOSE UNITS ACT IN HERAT PROVINCE, HAS BEEN GIVEN THE RANK OF GENERAL.

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#90329u0004 11/25/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon (NOV. 25) UPI - A guerrilla carrying a bag of explosives blew herself up as an Israeli patrol passed by in southern Lebanon Sunday, seriously injuring two Israeli soldiers, security sources said.

The Syrian Social Nationalist Party said in a statement that Fadwa Hasan Ghanem, a member of the Lebanese National Resistance Front, carried out a suicide attack against an Israeli patrol in the Israeli self-declared ''security zone'' to mark the 52nd anniversary of the party.

Ghanem was immediately killed when she blew up a bag full of explosives as an Israeli patrol passed in the area of Arnoun, 35 miles south of Beirut, on the edge of the zone.

The SSNP said all members of the patrol were killed. But security sources said two Israeli soldiers were critically injured.

The Israeli army had no immediate comment.

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#90329u0005 11/25/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (NOV. 25) UPI - An Israeli navy patrol intercepted a boat off the Lebanese coast and killed five guerrillas attempting to infiltrate Israel by sea, the army spokesman said Sunday.

The Ahmed Jibril's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine- General Command claimed responsibility for Saturday's attempted infiltration. A PFLP-GC spokesman in Lebanon said four guerrillas were killed and one managed to swim to the Lebanese shore.

The pro-Syrian Palestinian group said the attempted infiltration was carried out to mark the Nov. 25, 1987, attack by a Palestinian guerrilla who flew across Israel's northern border on a hang glider and attacked a military outpost. Six Israeli soldiers were killed during the attack.

No Israeli casualties were reported in Saturday's clash at sea, which occurred while the Israeli Dabur patrol vessel was on ''routine duty'' off the Lebanese coast in the area of Sidon, the army spokesman said.

The last attempted infiltration of Israel by sea occurred Sept. 1. During 1990 more than 15 infiltration attempts from Lebanon by sea and air have been thwarted by Israeli forces.

''A battle ensued in which the terrorist boat was destroyed and the five terrorists on board were killed,'' the spokesman said in a statement.

''(The) encounter is another of the repeated attempts by the terrorists to unsuccessfully infiltrate Israel's territorial waters,'' the spokesman said. ''Over the course of the past year, a number of infiltration attempts at sea have been frustrated without casualties to our forces.''

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#90329u0006 11/25/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL, South Korea (NOV. 25) UPI - Thousands of dissident students, workers and farmers battled riot police in Seoul and other large cities Sunday in violent demonstrations against President Roh Tae-woo's government.

The clashes erupted following rallies in major cities sponsored by the hard-line National Alliance for Democratic Movements to protest alleged government suppression of popular movements for democracy and to oppose the Uruguay Round of international trade negotiations.

In Seoul, about 5,000 people tried to hold their rally at 11 a.m. at Konkook University in an eastern sector of the city. Riot squads moved in, firing volleys of tear-gas bombs to thwart the gathering.

The dissidents countered with Molotov cocktails and rocks and forced the police units out of the school premises and staged the rally.

The participants adopted a ''national declaration of the democracy'' and said Roh's government was trying to ''stabilize a fascist system and prolong its

rule by relying on monopoly capitalists.''

They vowed to struggle to give birth to a ''government of democratic people.''

Following the rally the protesters tried to march off the campus. Blocked by police at the gate of the school, they staged a two-hour battle, trading firebombs and rocks with tear-gas grenades.

Witnesses said more than 10 protesters and policemen were injured in the clash. There was no immediate report of arrests.

There were similar rallies and demonstrations in at least three other major cities during the day, the domestic Yonhap News Agency said. Most of the demonstrations ended in clashes with police, it said.

In Kwangju, 170 miles south of Seoul, about 1,500 dissidents marched off campus following a rally at Chonnam University shouting slogans demanding Roh's resignation and opposing the Uruguay Round negotiations, Yonhap said.

Firebombs and rocks were thrown, and tear gas was fired, Yonhap said.

In Taegu, 150 miles southeast of Seoul, about 1,000 dissidents staged a series of sporadic street protests following a rally on a campus, Yonhap said.

In Pusan, 205 miles southeast of Seoul, about 1,500 people held a similar rally but there was no violent action, Yonhap said.

Dissident circles have been denouncing the government for allegedly giving in to U.S. pressure at the Uruguay Round negotiations and agreeing to open the domestic agricultural market to foreign products.

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#90329u0024 11/25/1990 ~United Press International

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (NOV. 25) UPI - Election officials Sunday reported moderate to high voter turnout in local elections considered crucial to Czechoslovakia's continuing transition to multi-party democracy.

Some 75 percent of eligible voters turned out for elections to local office in the Czech republic regions of Moravia and Bohemia Saturday, officials said. Initial reports indicated a 39 percent turnout in the eastern republic of Slovakia in balloting Friday and Saturday.

The Communist Party and Civic Forum, the pro-democracy umbrella group that led last year's ''Velvet Revolution'' to overthrow four decades of communist rule, were expected to do well.

The elections represented the first free vote for town and county

officialssince 1938 and were considered a key step in Czechoslovakia's shift to multi-party democracy.

Voters voted for candidates to Citizens Councils to replace the appointed ''National Committees'' left over from communist rule. The elections are an effort to create local government responsible to the local community.

First returns are expected Sunday night, but because of the complicated and extensive list of coalitions, the precise impact of the elections will not be known until Wednesday or Thursday.

In the local elections in Slovakia, voters chose local and district councils as well as mayors. In the Czech Lands, voters chose only the councils, which will themselves elect mayors.

In the Czech lands, 59 towns did not have enough candidates to hold council elections. In Slovakia, 21 towns had no council elections and 51 towns had no mayoral elections.

Preliminary indications showed only 39 percent of registered voters casting ballots in Slovakia, but further results were expected later Sunday.

In the Czech lands, election officials estimated a 75 percent turnout.

The turnout in the local elections appeared lower than during last June's parliamentary elections, when nearly 97 percent of registered voters turned out to participate in the nation's first free vote since 1946.

Officials of several parties have cautioned it will take several days to fully understand the implications of the balloting. Civic Forum officials have said privately they would consider 40 percent support a victory.

Voters have been encouraged by politicans from President Vaclav Havel on down to vote for individual candidates rather than for parties, and the 42 parties participating in the elections have formed all manner of coalitions.

In at least 15 towns, Civic Forum even formed coalitions with the communists.

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#90329u0025 11/25/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 25) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE U.S.A.:

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	pc	64	32	....
Anchorage	sn	05	-08	....
Asheville	sy	65	33	....
Atlanta	sy	70	45	....

Baltimore pc	57	44	....
Billings sn	66	15	....
Birmingham sy	71	40	....
Bismarck cy	52	15	....
Boston pc	52	37	.01
Brownsville pc	84	69	....
Buffalo w	40	32	.01
Burlington Vt. r	46	35	....
Charleston S.C. sy	68	55	....
Charlotte sy	67	47	....
Chicago cy	53	46	....
Cincinnati pc	61	49	....
Cleveland pc	45	41	.05
Columbus Ohio pc	51	46	....
Dallas f	77	59	....
Denver sy	74	41	....
Des Moines pc	61	33	....
Detroit pc	46	40	....
Duluth pc	28	06	.02
El Paso pc	73	52	....
Evansville sy	68	50	....
Fargo pc	50	10	....
Hartford pc	49	30	....
Honolulu sy	78	60	....
Houston pc	77	62	....
Indianapolis sy	60	43	....
Jackson Miss. sy	75	43	....
Jacksonville sy	75	45	....
Kansas City sy	73	39	....
Las Vegas sy	68	40	....
Little Rock sy	73	50	....
Los Angeles pc	80	56	....
Louisville sy	68	52	....
Memphis sy	73	52	....
Miami Beach sy	80	69	....
Milwaukee mc	50	40	....
Minneapolis mc	59	19	....
Nashville sy	69	50	....
New Orleans sy	72	47	....
New York pc	51	43	....
Oklahoma City pc	76	48	....
Omaha sy	65	34	....
Orlando pc	73	63	....
Philadelphia pc	51	40	....
Phoenix sy	82	59	....
Pittsburgh pc	47	41	....
Portland Me. cy	50	31	.12
Portland Ore. sh	59	49	.80

Providence pc	53	29	.02
Richmond pc	63	50	....
St. Louis sy	67	54	....
Salt Lake City pc	56	30	....
San Antonio pc	78	67	....
San Diego pc	72	51	....
San Francisco cy	68	50	....
San Juan pc	85	73	....
Seattle sh	55	46	2.57
Spokane r	54	49	.29
Tampa pc	78	58	.10
Washington pc	60	47	....
Wichita sy	69	38	....

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

mc-mostly cloudy

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

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#90329u0030 11/25/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 25) UPI - Poland is holding an election for president today. Surveys show Solidarity union leader Lech Walesa favored by the voters, but he is NOT expected to win the 50 percent he needs to avoid a second round of voting December 9th. The election is the first by the people for a Polish president since the 1920's. Polish President General Wojciech Jaruzelski is resigning under pressure.

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Security sources in Lebanon say the last militia group has ended its holdout in Beirut, clearing the way for a unified and de-militarized Beirut for the first time since civil war began in 1975. The pullout of the Christian Lebanese Forces militia from its strongholds was the last step in the plan to have Lebanese troops deployed in the Beirut area.

A combination of melting snow and five inches of rain is causing flooding in western Washington state. More than one-thousand residents were forced from their homes yesterday by rivers over-flowing their banks. Governor Booth Gardner activated the National Guard to help control widespread flooding and to evacuate residents. Farms were reported under water and livestock stranded.

A suburban Chicago man took off Friday on an American Airlines flight from O'Hare International Airport for San Juan, Puerto Rico, the first leg of a 27-thousand 808-mile trek. Trey Urbahn is attempting to land a spot in the Guinness Book of World Records by flying around the world in three days. If Urbahn arrives home as scheduled tomorrow morning on United Flight 44 from Honolulu, he will have covered six continents and every time zone.

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#90329u0075 11/25/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 25) UPI - The homicide rate in the nation's capital has hit a new high... a record 436 in 1990. It's the third record year for murders in the District of Columbia. But the proportion of slayings classified by police as drug related has fallen from 66 percent in 1988 to 39 percent this year. The number of juveniles and adults testing positive for drug use after being arrested has also dropped in the last year.

The editors of the newspapers at eight Ivy League colleges say ''jobs and low oil prices at home are NOT worth a war'' against Iraq. The newspaper editors sent a letter to President Bush and congressional leaders Saturday, criticizing the escalation of the U-S military presence in Saudi Arabia.

A member of Miami's Yahweh sect has pleaded innocent to charges he murdered four men. Federal officials charge that to gain entry into the Yahweh sect's elite ''Brotherhood'' cadre... followers had to kill a ''white devil'' and bring back a severed body part as proof of the killing.

Customers and employees at a bank branch in Beverly Hills tackled a masked robber Saturday... and held him until police arrived. The robber gave a note to a teller demanding money... but the teller hit the alarm button. Other people in the branch pounced on the would-be thief.

Police in the Miami area say revenge prompted a man to open fire on a family celebrating Thanksgiving. Three members of the family were wounded by the gunfire. Police are searching for a suspect who was angry at the family because a cousin of the victims shot and killed his brother last year.

A robber with a gun was shot to death by the boyfriend of his intended victim in the Los Angeles area. Police say the boyfriend and the suspect struggled and the gun went off. Police say the boyfriend was NOT hurt... even though a bullet bounced off his beeper.

Authorities from Indiana's LaGrange County have picked up an Amish man who was jailed in Illinois for abducting and trying to ''deprogram'' his estranged wife and daughter. The man is accused of abducting his wife and daughter on Halloween... and holding them captive for 20 days.

A utility company in Rochester, New York, may develop a second source of income. Rochester Gas and Electric is considering using warm water discharged from its power plant as a fish farm. Company officials say they can raise clean... uncontaminated bullheads and rainbow trout in the water.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - Egypt says it has arrested an Egyptian border guard on suspicion of firing shots across the Egyptian-Israeli border near the Red Sea resort of Eilat, killing four Israelis and injuring 24 others. The Israeli envoy said the man opened fire on a bus carrying workers and a group of civilian cars on the road which runs parallel to the Israeli- Egyptian border.

Officials in Boulder, Colorado, say at least 16 structures have been destroyed and more than 65-hundred acres have been burned in a wildfire. Around 100 people were evacuated from a threatened subdivision. The flames were being fanned by 60 mile an hour winds. A man who said he dragged a burning mattress

from his rural home was arrested and charged with startng the fire.

Security sources in Beirut say two Israeli soldiers were seriously injured today in a suicide bombing. They aay a woman carried a bag full of explosives near an Israeli patrol in south Lebanon and blew herself up. The Syrian Socialist Nationalist Party said in a statement that the woman carried out the attack to mark the 52 anniversary of the party.

Preliminary returns are expected later today in Czechoslovakia's local elections, the first free polling for local and country government offices in four decades. Officals of several parties have said it will take a few days to fully understand the implications of the balloting in the nation's republics.

Polish citizens are voting today in the nation's first free presidential elections since 1922. Initial turnout was reported light, despite the public interest in the six-way presidential campaign. Electoral officials attributed the low early turnout to damp, cold weather. In Krakow, Pope John Paul was listed among those eligible to vote at one of the polling stations.

Canada's foreign affairs secretary says that Jordan's King Hussein has an important mediation role to play in bringing the Persian Gulf crisis toward a peaceful settlement. Joe Clark, the Canadian secretary for external affairs, told reporters at a news conference that his discussions with King Hussein yesterday gave him more insight into the gulf crisis.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EST)

Basketball
Sacramento at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Houston at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Portland, 10 p.m.
Orlando at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Football
Atlanta at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Miami at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
NY Giants at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay vs. Green Bay at Milwaukee, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at NY Jets, 4 p.m.
New England at Phoenix, 4 p.m.
Kansas City at LA Raiders, 4 p.m.

LA Rams at San Francisco, 4 p.m.
Seattle at San Diego, 8 p.m.

Golf
LaQuinta, Calif. - PGA Skins Game

Hockey
NY Islanders at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
Winnipeg at Montreal, 7:05 p.m.
Los Angeles at Quebec, 7:35 p.m.

Tennis
Sanctuary Cove, Australia - $1 million IBM-
ATP Tour World Doubles Final

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(NOV. 25) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Boston	2	1	1-4
Hartford	0	0	3-3

First period-1, Boston, B. Sweeney 3 (Burridge), sh, 3:45. 2, Boston, B. Sweeney 4 (Walz), 12:25.

Penalties-Bourque, Bos, :42; Pedersen, Bos, 2:28; Kastelic, Har, 7:55; Galley, Bos, 13:39; Cunneyworth, Har, 13:39.

Second period-3, Boston, Janney 5 (Neely), 7:18.

Penalties-Cunneyworth, Har, :55; Bergevin, Har, 8:18; Galley, Bos, 11:05; B.Sweeney, Bos, 11:54; Francis, Har, 11:54; Burridge, Bos, 11:54; Verbeek, Har 11:54; Evason, Har, 12:06; Poulin, Bos, major-game misconduct (high-sticking) 18:58.

Third period-4, Hartford, Verbeek 12 (Evason), pp, :50. 5, Hartford, Verbeek 13 (Dineen, Shaw), pp, 1:04. 6, Hartford, Dineen 9 (Cunneyworth, Evason), 5:31. 7, Boston, Hodge 3 (D. Sweeney), 10:14.

Penalties-Carter, Bos, :30; Crossman, Har, :30; Tomlak, Har, 12:00.

Shots on goal-Boston 4-8-6-18. Hartford 12- 7-8-27.

Power-play conversions-Boston 5-0. Hartford 6-2.

Goaltenders-Boston, Lemelin. Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. A-15,635.

Los Angeles	2	2	0-4
Montreal	1	0	1-2

First period-1, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 15 (Gretzky), 5:18. 2, Montreal, Savard 8, (unassisted), sh, 11:35. 3, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 16 (Gretzky), 12:44.

Penalty- Lebeau, Mon.

Second period-4, Los Angeles, Sandstrom 17 (Gretzky), 2:19. 5, Los Angeles, Taylor 4 (Elik, Donnelly), 7:40.

Penalties-Robinson, LA, 4:42; Buskas, LA, 13:09.

Third period-6, Montreal, Dufresne 1 (Cassells, Savard), 14:54.

Penalties- McSorley, LA, 7:50; Odelein, Mon, 7:50.

Shots on goal-Los Angeles 10-8-7-25. Montreal 7-10-9-26.

Power-play conversions-Los Angeles 1-0. Montreal 2-0.

Goaltenders-Los Angeles, Berthiaume, Montreal, Roy. A-17,955

Referee-Mark Faucette.

Winnipeg	4	2	5-11
Quebec	1	3	0- 4

First period-1, Winnipeg, Cronin 1 (Elyniuk, Evans), 0:45. 2, Winnipeg, Sykes 4 (Paslawski, Ashton), 1:15. 3, Quebec, Sundin 7 (Sakic, Gillis), 3:20. 4, Winnipeg, Carlyle 4 (Ashton, Paslawski), pp, 6:24. 5, Winnipeg, Housley 7 (Osborne, Tabaracci), 16:18.

Penalties-Hrkac, Que, 6:19; Cronin, Wpg, 10:03; Donnelly, Wpg, 11:18.

Second period-6, Quebec, Sundin 8 (Hough), 2:54. 7, Winnipeg, Olcyzk 7 (MacDermid, Arniel), 3:48. 8, Quebec, Sundin 9 (Sakic, Cirella), pp, 6:20. 9, Quebec, Finn 2 (Morin, Loiselle), 13:23. 10, Winnipeg, Osborne 4 (Ashton), 16:02.

Penalties-Cronin, Wpg, major (fighting), 4:30; Van Dorp, Que, major (fighting) 4:30; Steen, Wpg, 5:36; Velishek, Que, 7:34.

Third period-11, Winnipeg, Steen 6 (Lausson, Elyniuk), 8:14. 12, Winnipeg, Olcyzk 8 (Olausson, Housley), pp, 9:37. 13, Winnipeg, Arniel 3 (Donnelly, Olausson), 10:53. 14, Winnipeg, Olausson 5 (unassisted), 12:45. 15, Winnipeg, Evans 4 (Housley, Carlyle), 16:29.

Penalties-Steen, Wpg, 2:48; Hough, Que, 8:14, Gillis, Que 8:40; Paslawski, Wpg 8:40; MacDermid, Wpg, 13:40.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 10-11-13-34. Quebec 11 13 5-29.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 4-2. Quebec 4-1.

Goaltenders-Winnipeg, Tabaracci. Quebec, Tugnutt, Gordon (6:24, 1st per), Tugnutt (12:45, 3rd per). A-13,881.

Referee-Richard Trottier.

Chicago	2	2	1	--5
Calgary	2	0	1	--3

First period-1, Chicago, Chelios 8 (Larmer), sh, 14:56. 2, Calgary, Nieuwendyk 15 (Suter, Fleury), pp, 15:38. 3, Chicago, Murray 6 (Gilbert, Graham), 16:34. 4, Calgary, Matteau 5 (Roberts), 17:21.

Penalties-Murray, Chi, 0:30; Macoun, Cgy, 7:47; Murray, Chi, 10:07; Gilbert, Chi, 14:30; Thomas, Chi, major (fighting), 15:52; M. Hunter, Cgy, major (fighting), 15:52; Roenick, Chi, 17:41; Brown, Chi, 19:52; Roberts, Cgy, double-minor, 19:52.

Second period-5, Chicago, Larmer 16 (Presley, Wilson), pp, 10:26. 6, Chicago, Creighton 7 (Thomas, Wilson), pp, 16:03.

Penalties-Manson, Chi, 5:21; Musil, Cgy, 9:19; Sweeney, Cgy, 15:17.

Third period-7, Calgary, Macoun 4 (Roberts, Nieuwendyk), 4:24. 8, Chicago, Creighton 8 (Roenick), pp, 12:28.

Penalties-Suter, Cgy, 2:02; Hudson, Chi, 7:53; T. Hunter, Cgy, 11:16; Larmer, Chi, 16:05; Presley, Chi, 19:46.

Shots on goal-Chicago 18-12-6-36. Calgary 5- 11-11-27.

Power-play conversions-Chicago 6-3. Calgary 8-1.

Goalies-Chicago, Belfour. Calgary, Wamsley. A-20,132.

Referee-Rob Shick.

New Jersey	1	0	4	--5
Minnesota	3	0	0	--3

First period-1, New Jersey, Shanahan 7 (Morris, Crowder), 2:39. 2, Minnesota, Duchesne 2 (Broten, Smail), 4:21. 3, Minnesota, Smail 3 (Broten), 16:32. 4,

Minnesota, Gagner 10 (Bellows) 19:21.

Penalties-DePalma, Min, minor (served by Modano), major (fighting) 14:44; O'Connor, NJ, major (fighting), 14:44.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-MacLean, NJ, 4:13; Daneyko, NJ, 6:07.

Third period-5, New Jersey, Muller 9 (P. Stastny, Lemieux) 2:40. 6, New Jersey Conacher 2 (Maley, Brown), 3:33. 7, New Jersey, Lemieux 8 (Shanahan, Daneyko), pp, 15:13. 8, New Jersey, Shanahan 8 (Weinrich), 18:58.

Penalties-Gagner, Min, 13:36.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 5-6-11-22, Minnesota 11-19-12-42.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 2-1, Minnesota 2-0.

Goaltenders-Burke, NJ. Hayward, Minn. A- 8,138.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Vancouver	1	2	0	0--3
St. Louis	1	2	0	0--3

First period-1, St. Louis, G.Cavallini 5 (Brown, Stevens), pp, 9:13. 2, Vancouver, Kron 6 (Valk, Lidster), 9:44.

Penalties- bench minor, (too many men), StL; Odjick, Van, major-minor (10-min misconduct-unsport con), 8:57; Sandlak, Van, 15:02; Wilson, StL, 15:02; Featherstone, StL, 15:02; Nedved, Van, 16:24; Gibson, Van, 19:12.

Second period-3, St. Louis, Hull 22 (Bassen), 2:25. 4, St. Louis, Hull 23 (G.Cavallini, Brind'Amour), pp, 9:29. 5, Vancouver, Bradley 7 (Valk), 13:56. 6 Vancouver, Adams 4 (Lumme), pp, 18:33.

Penalties-Lumme, Van, 2:07; MacLean, StL, 2:07; Courtnall, StL, 3:07; Lumme, Van, 8:35; Hull, StL, 16:40.

Third period-No scoring.

Penalties-none.

Overtime-No scoring. Penalties-none.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 16-9-9-3-37. St. Louis 14-8-11-4-37.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 4-1. St. Louis 4-2.

Goaltenders-Vancouver, Gamble; St. Louis, Joseph. A-18,586.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

Edmonton	1	2	1	--4
Toronto	1	0	0	--1

First period-1, Edmonton, Huddy 3 (Messier, Simpson), 0:21. 2, Toronto, Krushelnyski 2 (Clark, Deblois), 17:38.

Penalties-Richardson, Tor, 1:08, Franceschetti, Tor, 4:33, Simpson, Edm, 6:56, Richardson, Tor, 19:35.

Second period-3, Edmonton, Simpson 9 (Klima, Anderson), pp, 4:10. 4, Edmonton, Tikkanen 5 (Semenov, Linseman), 5:34.

Penalties-Gelinas, Edm, 2:26, Ramage, Tor, double minor (roughing), 2:26, Joseph, Edm, 7:46, Semenov, Edm, 11:36, Smith, Edm, 17:48.

Third period-5, Edmonton, Simpson (Anderson), en, 19:40.

Penalties-Ramage, Tor, 10:18.

Shots on goal-Edmonton 5-10-10-25. Toronto 6-17-10-33.

Power-play conversions-Edmonton 5-1. Toronto 4-0.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Ranford, Takko (17:38, 1st per). Toronto, Reese. A-16,382.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

Washington	0	1	1	0-2
Pittsburgh	0	1	1	1-3

First period-No scoring.

Penalties-Johnson, Pit, 3:18; Miller, Was, 6:15; Hatcher, Was, 9:55; Errey, Pit, 9:55; Leach, Was, major (fighting), 14:20, Bourque, Pit, major (fighting) 14:20; Stanton, Pit, 14:20; Gilhen, Pit, 19:12.

Second period-1, Washington, Hatcher 8 (Johansson, Ridley) pp, 4:14. 2, Pittsburgh, Tanti 2 (Coffey, Recchi), pp, 12:14.

Penalties-Coffey, Pit, 2:21; Hunter, Was, major (fighting), 3:41; Johnson, Pit major (fighting), 3:41; Roberts, Pit, 3:41; Stevens, Pit, misconduct, 4:14;

Hatcher, Was, 8:45; Hunter, Was, 11:14; Lalor, Was, 12:08; Rouse, Was, 19:23; Errey, Pit, 19:23.

Third period-3, Washington, Hatcher 9 (Bondra, Miller), 2:24. 4, Pittsburgh, Coffey 8 (Mullen, Stanton), 14:25.

Penalties-Coffey, Pit, 2:49; Roberts, Pit, 4:45; Roberts, Pit, 7:30; Druce, Was, 16:23; Lalor, Was, 19:16.

Overtime-5, Pittsburgh, Recchi 13 (Stevens, Cullen), pp, 1:11.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Washington 17-10-10-0-37. Pittsburgh 3-12-4-3-22.

Power-play conversions-Washington 8-1. Pittsburgh 6-2.

Goaltenders-Washington, Hrivnak, Liut (13:36, 2nd per). Pittsburgh, Pietrangelo. A- 16,164.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Hockey

Hartford Whalers - Assigned forwards Terry Yake and Marc Bergevin to Springfield of the AHL.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	10	2	.833	-
Philadelphia	9	4	.692	1 1/2
New York	6	5	.545	3 1/2
Miami	4	8	.333	6
New Jersey	4	9	.308	6 1/2
Washington	3	8	.273	6 1/2

Central Division

Detroit	9	2	.818	-
Milwaukee	9	3	.750	1/2
Cleveland	7	6	.538	3
Chicago	7	6	.538	3
Charlotte	7	7	.500	3 1/2
Indiana	5	7	.417	4 1/2
Atlanta	4	8	.333	5 1/2

Western Conference

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	7	2	.778	-
Houston	6	6	.500	2 1/2
Utah	6	6	.500	2 1/2
Dallas	5	6	.455	3
Minnesota	4	7	.364	4
Orlando	3	9	.250	5 1/2
Denver	1	11	.083	7 1/2

Pacific Division

Portland	10	0	1.000	-
Golden State	8	5	.615	3 1/2
Phoenix	6	4	.600	4
LA Lakers	6	5	.545	4 1/2
LA Clippers	5	6	.455	5 1/2
Seattle	4	5	.444	5 1/2
Sacramento	1	9	.100	9

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(NOV. 25) UPI - Four Israelis were killed today and 24 were injured when an Egyptian border guard fired shots across the Egyptian-Israeli border. The Israeli envoy said the man was wearing a military uniform, but it was NOT clear if he was a member of the Egyptian army or police. The envoy said the unidentified man opened fire on a bus carrying workers and a group of civilian cars.

Thousands of dissidents battled riot police in Seoul and other large South Korean cities today in violent demonstrations aginst President Roh Tae-woo's government. The protesters included students, workers and farmers. The clashes erupted following rallies in major cities to protest alleged government suppression of popular movements for democracy and to oppose the Uruguay Round negotiations.

Solidarity leader Lech Walesa is expected to win Poland'ssix-way presidential

race today and face a run-off in two weeks with his closest rival. The voting today marks the first time Poles are electing their own president in a general election. The two leading contenders, Walesa and Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, both cast their ballots and predicted they would win.

Namibian officials say security forces intercepted and captured six Spanish vessels fishing illegally in the country's territorial waters. The Namibian fisheries minister says Namibian forces fired shots at two other vessels, but they escaped. Soldiers were placed aboard the six vessels and were ordered to sail to a Namibian port.

Police in Italy say at least four people were killed today when an oil company helicopter with 13 people aboard crashed into the Adriatic sea in windy weather. The chopper was flying to an Italian offshore oil rig. First reports from the accident scene said that there appeared to be NO survivors.

Chrysler Corporation chairman Lee Iacocca says he would like ''an inside'' job to help President Bush run the country. In his first interview with Playboy magazine, Iacocca said he ''like to run the economic side of the business.'' Playboy says it has been asking Iacocca to grant an interview for about two decades. The magazine goes on sale Tuesday.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - The nation's capital is also the nation's murder capital again this year. District of Columbia police report slayings in 1990 have reached 436- a record for the third year in a row even though there are fewer drug-related slayings this year. D-C Police Chief Isaac Fulwood added about 12-hundred recruits to his force and deployed more officers at night this year.

More than one-thousand people have been evacuated from nine counties in western Washington state, where floodwaters are raging for the second time in two weeks. Flooding is so bad in North Bend that crews decided to punch a hole in a dike to let some of the water in the town flow back into the Snoqualmie River. A levee in Skykomish is damaged and in danger of collapsing.

A fast-moving wildfire is still burning out of control near Boulder, Colorado. Firefighters are trying to control the blaze with back fires and fire lines. But Chinook winds have pushed the flames across more than 65-hundred acres. 15 buildings have been destroyed and more than 100 people evacuated.

A sheriff's deputy in Florida's Tampa area has been charged with making bomb threats to pharmacies. Investigators say he was addicted to painkillers, and stole drugs while the stores were evacuated because of his threats. The nine-year veteran of the Hillsborough department was fired Friday after he admitted telephoning 17 threats in 24 days. He says he became an addict after surgery to remove his appendix.

A police lieutenant in Marion, Indiana, begins a one-week supension Monday. He left the keys in a squad car, and it was stolen while he responded to a report of a disturbance. Leaving the keys in the car violated a department rule.

A 17-year-old Korean-American is the winner of America's Miss Teen pageant. Sarah Dawn Hammer from Cedar, Minnesota, was crowned in Kansas City Saturday night. Contestants are judged on academics, volunteer service and talent. Laura Gordon of Trumbull, Connecticut, was first runner-up and Brandi Peters of Oklahoma City came in third.

A Chicago suburban man is on his way around the world... trying to do it in three days. Trey Urbahn hopes to land a line in the Guinness Book of World Records by flying 27-thousand 808 miles in three days. The United Airlines employee is flying commercial lines all the way.

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RANCHO MIRAGE, CA (NOV. 25) UPI - Model Cheryl Tiegs and actor-writer Tony Peck were married in a private twilight ceremony Friday at the home of Frank Sinatra, it was announced.

It is the third marriage for Tiegs, 43, and Peck, who have been romantically involved for the past seven years, publicist Monroe Friedman said.

The couple, who spent Thanksgiving at Sinatra's home, decided over the holiday weekend to get married.

Attending the ceremony were Frank and Barbara Sinatra, the groom's sister actress Cecilia Peck and attorney Robert Marx.

Tiegs, one of the highest-paid models ever to pose before a camera, was born in Alhambra, Calif., and began winning modeling assignments as she was entering college at UCLA.

She previously was married to movie director Stan Dragoti and photographer Peter Beard.

Peck is featured in an upcoming television series, ''Hollywood Detective Barr Nunn,'' which is being shot in Utah and is to begin airing next spring, Friedman said.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

BOSTON (113)

Bird 14-28 0-0 29, Gamble 4-6 2-2 10, Parish 8- 10 4-6 20, Lewis 11-20 6-6 28, Shaw 3-10 2-2 8, McHale 4-11 2-2 10, D.Brown 3-7 0-0 6, Kleine 1-1 0-0 2.

Totals 48-93 16-18 113.

CLEVELAND (102)

Nance 9-20 0-0 18, Brown 2-5 0-0 4, Daugherty 13-23 5-6 31, Paddio 3-7 0-0 6, Price 7-14 0-0 15, Ehlo 4-8 0-1 8, Ferry 5-14 2-3 13, Morton 2-3 0-0 5, Kerr 1-1 0-0 2.

Totals 46-95 7-10 102.

Boston	34	26	28	25-113
Cleveland	20	26	32	24-102

Three-point goals-Boston 1-1 (Bird 1-3), Cleveland 3-9 (Price 1-4, Elho 0-1, Ferry 1-3, Morton 1-1). Fouled Out-None. Total Fouls- Boston 17, Cleveland 14. Rebounds-Boston 63 (Parish 14), Cleveland 36 (Daugherty 11). Assists-Boston 32 (Shaw 12), Cleveland 37 (Price 11). Technicals-None. A-19,748.

PHILADELPHIA (124)

Barkley 6-10 10-11 23, Mahorn 7-15 5-6 19, Gminiski 3-6 2-2 8, Green 8-15 2-2 18, Hawkins 5-11 3-6 14, Anderson 6-13 3-3 16, Bol 1-1 0-0 2, Oliver 2-5 0-0 4 Turner 3-4 2-3 8, Payne 5-9 1-1 12.

ATLANTA (121)

Wilkins 15-25 6-7 39, Willis 5-11 1-2 11, Malone 6-12 0-1 12, Rivers 5-10 6-6 16, Webb 5-11 3-3 14, Koncak 3-3 0-0 6, Battle 7-12 3-3 17, Ferrell 2-2 0-0 4, Robinson 1-4 0-0 2, Moncrief 0-0 0-0 0.

Philadelphia	28	30	30	36-124
Atlanta	34	33	35	19-121

Three-point goals-Barkley, Hawkins, Anderson, Payne, Wilkins 3, Webb. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Philadelphia 20, Atlanta 26. Rebounds-Philadelphia 46 (Mahorn 12), Atlanta 40 (Malone 11). Assists-Philadelphia 25 (Hawkins 7), Atlanta 32 (Webb 14). Technicals-Atlanta (illegal defense 2). A-15,594.

CHARLOTTE (125)

Newman 9-14 12-12 30, Chapman 12-17 1-2 26, Reid 4-7 11-11 19, Gattison 6-9 2-2 14, Curry 5-6 2-2 12, Bogues 5-12 0-0 10, Gill 2-6 1-2 5, Keys 2-6 1-1 5, Tripucka 1-1 2-2 4. Totals 46-79 32-34 125.

MIAMI (112)

Wagner 4-8 5-7 15, Seikaly 5-10 4-6 14, Rice 6-9 0-1 12, Davis 5-6 1-1 11, Kessler 5-8 1-4 11, Burton 4-10 1-1 9, Coles 3-6 3-5 9, Douglas 2-6 4-4 8, Edwards 2-8 4-5 8, Long 2-3 1-1 5, Thompson 2-2 1-4 5, Sundvold 2-3 0-0 5.

Totals 42-78 25-39 112.

Charlotte	33	31	35	26-125
Miami	20	27	33	32-112

Three-point goals-Chapman, Wagner 2, Sundvold. Fouled out-Long. Total fouls-Charlotte 30, Miami 26. Rebounds-Charlotte 30 (Gattison, Chapman, Keys 5), Miami 35 (Seikaly 6). Assists-Charlotte 27 (Bogues 17), Miami 23 (Coles 6). Technicals-Reid 2, Curry. A-15,008.

ORLANDO (89)

Catledge 5-12 1-4 11, Reynolds 5-11 2-2 12, Kite 3-4 0-0 6, Anderson 2-10 0-0 5, Vincent 3-10 0-0 6, O.Smith 3-13 0-0 6, D.Scott 9-20 1-3 21, Skiles 1-4 3-3 5, Ansley 0-1 0-0 0, Wright 2-6 2-2 6, Turner 3-5 5-5 11.

Totals 36-96 14-19 89.

LA LAKERS (115)

Perkins 5-9 5-7 15, Worthy 10-16 2-2 22, Divac 6-8 1-1 13, Johnson 8-8 4-5 21, B.Scott 5-16 0-0 10, Green 6-12 3-3 15, Drew 1-3 0-0 2, Teagle 4-11 5-6 13, Thompson 1-3 0-0 2, Campbell 0-3 0-2 0, Brown 1-1 0-0 2, T.Smith 0-1 0-0 0.

Totals 47- 91 20-26 115.

Orlando	26	18	21	24-- 89
LA Lakers	29	25	32	29--115

Three-point goals-D.Scott 2, Johnson, Anderson. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Orlando 22, LA Lakers 18. Rebounds-Orlando 43 (Kite, Turner 7), LA Lakers 55 (Green 17). Assists-Orlando 17 (Skiles 5), LA Lakers 34 (Johnson 14). Technicals-Lakers, illegal defense. A-16,254.

NEW JERSEY (117)

Coleman 8-15 1-2 17, Morris 8-15 4-5 22, Bowie 5-12 2-2 13, Conner 6-13 1-1 13 Theus 9-22 10-11 28, Dudley 2-6 1-2 5, Haley 3-6 4-4 10, Buechler 0-1 0-0 0, Gervin 3-8 3-4 9, Lee 0-1 0-0 0.

Totals 44-99 26-31 117.

GOLDEN ST. (113)

Hill 4-0 4-5 12, Mullin 12-28 6-8 30, Lister 4-9 1-2 9, Hardaway 5-22 2-2 12, Marciulionis 5-9 4-6 14, Tolbert 4-10 4-8 12, Johnson 1-1 2-3 4, Pritchard 3-3 1-2 7, Higgins 2-7 8-9 12, Kofoed 0-0 1-2 1.

Totals 40-99 33-47 113.

New Jersey	36	28	24	29-117
Golden St.	26	28	34	25-113

Three-point goals-Morris 2, Bowie. Fouled out-Marciulionis. Total fouls-New Jersey 28, Golden State 22. Rebounds-New Jersey 53 (Morris 12), Golden State 53 (Hill 16). Assists-New Jersey 24 (Conner 12), Golden State 19 (Hardaway 12). Technicals-Theus, Bowie, Mullin, Golden State illegal defense.

CHICAGO (151)

Pippen 6-11 4-5 16, Grant 3-10 2-2 8, Cartwright 7-9 1-2 15, Paxson 5-11 0-0 10, Jordan 14-24 10-10 38, Levingston 1-4 0-0 2, Armstrong 5-11 3-4 14, Hopson 2-4 0-0 4, King 2-3 0-0 4, Perdue 4-6 2-2 10, Hodges 8-11 1-2 20, Williams 4-6 2-2 10.

Totals 61-110 25-29 151.

DENVER (145)

Woolridge 10-21 9-13 29, Lane 8-15 0-0 16, Rasmussen 11-16 3-4 25, Adams 7-18 1-1 17, Lichti 9-16 1-1 20, Davis 10-19 2-2 22, Cook 0-0 2-2 2, Jackson 3-9 0-0 6, Wolf 3-4 2-2 8, Dunn 0-0 0-0 0, Johnson 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 61-118 20-25 145.

Chicago	37	38	34	42--151
Denver	41	35	44	25--145

Three-point goals-Armstrong, Hodges 3, Adams 2, Lichti. Total fouls-Chicago 20 Denver 18. Fouled out-none. Rebounds- Chicago 51 (Cartwright 8), Denver 51 (Woolridge 10). Assists-Chicago 35 (Jordan 12), Denver 40 (Adams 17). Technical fouls- Chigacg, delay of game. A-17,022.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - Foreign ministers of the U-N Security Council are preparing for a meeting next week to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis and a possible resolution authorizing the use of force to force Iraqi troops from occupied

Kuwait.

Iraqi authorities have admitted that several teen-aged students were arrested in Baghdad for causing ''a state of panic'' in schools. The admission followed UNconfirmed reports by travelers that eight teen-aged girls were killed in schoolyard clashes between authorities and dissenting teen-agers.

A fast-moving fire continues to burn out of control near Boulder Colorado. So far, the blaze has destroyed about 65-hundred acres and forced the evacuation of about 100 residents. The flames were threatening a subdivision.

More than one-thousand people fled their homes in western Washington state Saturday as a tropical storm caused rivers to flow over their banks. The water washed out roads and broke through dikes.

Residents of the central Philippines are bracing for another typhoon, just two weeks after another storm left almost 400 people dead. The latest storm has 93 mile an hour winds and was located about 580 miles east of the Philippines.

The editors of eight Ivy League college newspapers Saturday criticized President Bush's escalation of the U-S military presence in Saudi Arabia. A letter was sent to Bush from the editors of school papers from Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Columbia, Brown, Dartmouth, University of Pennsylvania and Cornell.

Residents of Czechoslovakia continued voting Saturday for local officials in the country's first such elections in more than four decades. The voting is seen as a key step in the transition to multi- party democracy.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

District of Columbia Police Chief Isaac Fulwood says only a national gun control law will help reduce the killings in the nation's capital. Washington has already set a third consecutive yearly record for murders... with 436 reported in 1990. Fulwood says 78 percent of this year's homicide victims had been shot.

The Red Cross has opened 14 emergency shelters in western Washington state to house the homeless. More than one-thousand people have been evacuated from their homes because of flooding which some locals say is the worst they've ever seen. Nine counties are affected.

Firefighters expect to be at work all weekend near Boulder, Colorado... where a fire has charred more than 65-hundred acres. More than 100 people in a two-square-mile have been evacuated. The fire has destroyed 15 buildings and

is heading toward a subdivision called Crestview Estates.

Today is the third anniversary of the death of former Chicago Mayor Harold Washington... Chicago's first black mayor. And on the eve of the anniversary, black Alderman Danny Davis announced he will run for mayor. Davis will challenge Mayor Richard Daley.

Japan expects the fourth straight annual increase in production of cars and trucks. Brisk exports paved the way. The Japan Automobile Manufacturers' Association says production for the first 10 months of this year totaled 11-Million 236-thousand units.

San Diego police say four transvestites have been killed since summer. And they have a new slaying to investigate. The body of a male transexual with breast implants was found along a mountain road Friday. The decomposing body was at first thought to be a woman's.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - Egyptian Foreign Minister Boutros Ghali expressed regret today at a border incident in which an Egyptian soldier apparently crossed into Israel and opened fire on passing vehicles. The gunman killed four people- three of them Israeli soldiers- and wounded 23 others before apparently being wounded by Israeli troops before he fled back into Egypt. Egyptian authorities said they arrested a border guard on suspicion of firing the shots. The shooting occurred about six miles from the resort city of Eilat.

A statement by the group calling itself the Islamic Jihad Movement in Palestine issued a statement in Beirut that stopped just short of claiming responsibility for the attack at the Israeli- Egyptian border. The statement said the group- quoting now- ''saluted the heroic Egyptian soldier who aimed a bullet today at the heart of the enemy....''

In the Israeli-declared ''security zone'' in southern Lebanon, a woman guerrilla brandished an explosive-laden bag and blew herself up against an Israeli military patrol, wounding two Israeli soldiers. The suicide attack occurred just hours after an Israeli gunboat intercepted a boat off the coast and killed four guerrillas of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command. The pro-Syrian Social National Party said the 19-year-old woman carried out the attack to mark the 52nd anniversary of the group.

Italian police say a chartered helicopter ferrying workers to an off- shore oil rig crashed into the Adriatic Sea just off the coast of Italy. They say all 13 people aboard the chopper are believed dead. Italian state television says an eyewitness reported seeing the helicopter explode in flight a few hundred yards off the Italian coast.

Officials in Prague say about 75 percent of the eligible voters cast ballots in local elections in the Czech republic, and a moderate turnout was indicated in the eastern republic of Slovakia. Voters went to the polls on Friday and Saturday in Slovakia, and just yesterday in the Czech Lands of Moravia and Bohemia. It was the first free ballot for local and county government officials since 1938.

In Poland, voters are casting ballots in the nation's first general presidential election. Solidarity union founder Lech Walesa is expected to get the most votes among six candidates and to face a run-off against his closest rival in two weeks. About 27 and one- half-Million people are eligible to vote.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 25) UPI - A young Marine who was home for Thanksgiving and set to leave for Saudi Arabia this week was killed by a hit-and-run driver early Sunday as he tried to help another motorist who was stranded on a freeway.

Lance Cpl. Reynaldo Martindale, 19, was declared dead at the scene following the 5:29 a.m. incident, police spokesman Officer Scott Bloch said. A friend of Martindale's was injured and in stable condition.

The good Samaritans were passing through a neighborhood in Queens when they noticed a woman in a stalled car in the northbound lanes of the Van Wyck Expressway.

''They stopped to help and as they pushed it (the woman's auto) off the highway, they were struck by an unidentified vehicle that fled,'' Bloch said.

Joseph Parris said his grandson had been in the Marines for about 18 months, and most recently spent about six months in Europe. The Brooklyn man said his grandson was always trying to lend a hand to people who needed help.

''He was that type of person,'' Parris said. ''He was a very intelligent boy, and he liked the Marines very much.''

Martindale had suffered injury to the head and his legs were broken, Bloch said. The Marine, stationed at Camp LeJeune, N.C., was on his way to catch a flight back to camp after the Thanksgiving holiday when the incident occurred, Parris said.

Martindale's friend, Steven Morales, 24, of Queens, was taken to Jamaica Hospital in stable condition with ankle injuries, Bloch said.

Martindale had been scheduled to leave North Carolina to serve in Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia sometime later in the week, according to Barbara

Perrino, a hospital nursing supervisor who said she had spoken with Morales.

The motorist who the men stopped to help was unhurt. Her name was unavailable. Police were investigating the hit-and-run incident.

Perrino said Morales told her, ''The worst thing that happened to me today is that I lost my friend. I want this in the paper and on television because I hope that the person who hit us hears this and feels guilty. He should feel guilty.''

Parris said Martindale's oldest brother, Howard, serves in the Armed Forces in Alaska.

''I helped raise them since the oldest was 8 years old,'' said Parris. ''They are like my own.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 25) UPI - A state assemblyman scheduled a Monday hearing on the violence-marked Daily News walkout, while strikers increased pressure on the tabloid newspaper's last big department store advertiser.

Assemblyman Frank J. Barbaro, D-Brooklyn, arranged for a hearing into the strike by 2,500 News workers that was in its 32nd day Sunday and has been marred by arson, fire bombings, vandalism and brawling.

Police said there have been 196 reports of strike-related violence and 89 arrests.

The purpose of the hearing, according to Barbaro's announcement, is to obtain information that might be useful in formulating state legislation addressing issues in the labor dispute.

The issues include management's hiring of out-of-state security personnel - some dressed as paratroopers - to protect News property, newspaper vendors, and non-union employees chosen to replace strikers so that the News could continue to publish, the announcement said.

''We are going to have several witnesses at the hearing to testify about the hiring of strike breakers in the form of security forces that are not even registered to operate in New York state,'' said Barry Lipton, president of The Newspaper Guild, which represents striking editorial workers.

Lipton said the Guild and the Allied Printing Trades Council, an umbrella group of striking craft unions, will bear down on Alexander's, the last of the big department stores advertising in the News by picketing its several store in the city at shopping malls in the metropolitan area.

Pickets handed out leaflets Sunday asking shoppers not to enter Alexander's because it still advertises in the News.

Macy's and A&S, the News's other large store advertisers, terminated advertising in the paper during the weekend. Macy's, the paper's largest advertiser, spent about $6 million a year on News ads.

''Alexander's is our major target now,'' Lipton said. ''If we can get it to withdraw, the News won't have much revenue coming in from ads. Two-hundred of the 260 regular advertisers already have dropped out.''

Lipson claimed management, not the reported unavailability of federal mediators, was to blame for a negotiating meeting by the Guild and the Daily News failing to materialize Friday. He said the union was in contact with the Federal Mediation Service three times to schedule the meeting but News management never contacted the service.

''We haven't heard a word from management for two-and-a-half weeks,'' Lipton said.

''We have asked for information on who was hired to replace News strikers, what their pay is and what sort of contract with them exists, information we are entitled to under federal labor law that is pertinent to bargaining. Until we get that information we won't engage in negotiations.''

Meanwhile, News executives brushed off an offer by Gov. Mario Cuomo to intervene as a mediator in the strike, the governor announced Sunday.

''The unions are eager, but we're waiting for management,'' Cuomo said. ''They say they will consider it at the appropriate time, but not having heard from management, I assume they don't consider it the appropriate time.''

State Labor Commissioner Thomas F. Hartnett and George E. McDonald, president of the Allied Printing Trades Council, said they also had requested a meeting with News publisher James Hoge to discuss the issues of the strike but were rebuffed. Hartnett said he was told Hoge would ''think about it.''

John T. Sloan, spokesman for the News said Hoge would not meet with any union leaders.

By midweek, strikers will publish the second edition of its strike newspaper, Real News, running 12 pages. Lipton said 1 million copies will be printed and distributed throughout the city.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - TODAY'S PEOPLE:

SEX AND THE FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH: At last, Dick Clark reveals the secret of his youthful appearance - sex. In an upcoming issue of Longevity magazine, the ''American Bandstand'' maven says, ''Sex is a very important part of my life. Having the right partner, as I do, means a lot. Sex keeps me young. The more you want it, the more youthful you are, mentally and physically.'' Clark, 61, has been with his third wife, Kari, for 13 years.

BART SPEAKS IN OHIO: Bart Simpson - or least his voice - returned home to Kettering, Ohio, to visit her family during the Thanksgiving weekend. Nancy Cartwright says she doesn't mind having a well-known voice and an unknown face. ''I like the anonymity because it gives me the choice to reveal it or not,'' she said. Cartwright says was supposed to try out for the voice of Lisa Simpson but had a hunch she could do Bart better. ''Actually with the sound of my voice, I do boys better than I do girls,'' she said. ''I had no idea that it was going to be the runaway hit that it is. I had no idea it was going to (be on) T-shirts and key chains and flashlights and everything else.''

SILVER THOUGHTS: Ron Silver has plenty to keep him busy when he's not acting. ''People are so afraid to say what they honestly think, make a decision or take sides,'' Silver, one of the stars of the movie ''Reversal of Fortune,'' said in an interview with The Washington Post. ''To me, neglect and indifference are states devoutly to be avoided in a democracy.'' He's involved in helping homeless children and abortion rights. ''I went to a dinner the other night for Republicans for Choice because, for me, pro-choice is a threshold issue. I'm a Democrat but I'll cross lines. I'm in favor of the death penalty so is that an anomaly, an aberration or what?''

GLIMPSES: Writer-director Joseph L. Mankiewicz, a four-time Oscar winner, will be honored by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences with a special tribute at New York's Museum of Modern Art Thursday. The night also will feature a discussion of Mankiewicz's work, which includes ''A Letter to Three Wives'' and ''All About Eve'' ... Paul Newman and his wife, Joanne Woodward, star as straight-laced Midwesterners facing changing times in ''Mr. and Mrs. Bridge'' and Newman says there are some similarities between the movie and real life. ''Joanne really thinks I am Walter Bridge,'' he said. ''Remember that scene where India (Mrs. Bridge) announces she is going to leave Walter, although she has no intention of doing so? Once I packed a suitcase and announced I was leaving Joanne. I slammed out of the house. But I was back in a couple of hours, knocking on the front door.''

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ATHENS, Greece (NOV. 25) UPI - Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati and his counterparts in the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council will meet in Muscat for the second time in two months, the official Islamic Republic News Agency said Sunday.

Velayati made the announcement after discussing the Persian Gulf crisis with Omani Foreign Minister Youssef bin Alavi in Tehran. He mentioned no date for the meeting, the second in two months.

The Iranian foreign minister was also to visit Moscow to discuss the crisis with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

An IRNA dispatch monitored in Athens quoted Irish Foreign Minister Garard Collins as saying Iran could play an important role in defusing the crisis spawned by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Velayati held two rounds of discussions with Alavi, who flew unexpectedly to Tehran Saturday, two days after Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz visited Muscat.

IRNA said Alavi handed a message to Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani from Omani ruler Sultan Qaboos bin Said ''dealing with the situation in the region.''

The Voice of the Islamic Republic radio said Velayati and Alavi discussed the crisis and Iran's relations with the GCC, of which Oman is a member-state along with the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Bahrain.

A Tehran radio broadcast monitored in Athens said Velayati and Alavi discussed the danger of war and the need for the foreign ministers of Iran and the GCC to hold a second meeting, either in Tehran or in Muscat.

The first such meeting was in New York in September, shortly after Iraq made sweeping concessions to Iran to hurry up the peace process between the two countries as a multinational force was building up in Saudi Arabia.

Velayati told reporters Iran and Oman ''share common views on the future and stability of the region in the long run.'' Iran condemned Iraq's invasion of Kuwait as well as the presence of western forces in the area.

Collins, in Tehran about the same time as Alavi, said before leaving that he and Velayati discussed the crisis. ''Iran has a key role in defusing the crisis and can assume an important role in the stability of the region,'' IRNA quoted Collins as saying.

Velayatis forthcoming visit to Moscow is at the invitation of the Soviet foreign minister ''to review the current situation in the region, '' IRNA said. No date was given for the Moscow trip.

Tehran radio said a senior Iranian Foreign Ministry official left for Baghdad early Sunday, to discuss outstanding issues between Iran and Iraq and matters relating to a resumption of pilgrimages by people on both sides.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - The official Amman Radio says about 100 German hostages arrived in the Jordanian capital today from Baghdad aboard an Iraqi airliner. The report says the hostages were freed to mark Iraqi appreciation for recent remarks by German Chancellor Helmut Kohl. The German leader called for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis earlier this month.

The official Tehran Radio says the foreign ministers of Iran and Oman met in the Iranian capital city today to discuss latest developments in the Persian Gulf crisis. The report said the two also discussed the possibility of convening a second meeting of the foreign ministers of the Gulf Co-operation Council and Iran. The Omani official flew to Iran just two days after the Iraqi foreign minister made an unexpected visit to Oman.

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Thousands of dissident students, workers and farmers battle riot police in Seoul and other South Korean cities today in violent anti-government demonstrations. The battles broke out after rallies sponsored by the hard-line National Alliance for Democratic Movements. The group was protesting alleged government suppression of democratic movements.

Authorities in New York City say police seized about 100 pounds of explosives that were stashed in the belly of a Miami-bound jetliner. They say police arrested one man who apparently was ferrying the explosives for sale in Puerto Rico. The M-80 explosives were discovered in four 25-pound boxes in the luggage area of Pan Am Flight 402, which was being readied for take-off from

John F. Kennedy International Airport.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - President Bush is prepared this week to ask the United Nations Security Council to give the go-ahead to take military action against Iraq if necessary. Secretary of State Baker will gather with the foreign ministers of the Security Council on Thursday to try to hammer out the 11th and toughest resolution against Iraq since it annexed Kuwait August 2nd.

The head of the U-S Episcopal Church says President Bush needs to exert more energy trying to reach a diplomatic solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Bishop Edmond Browning... the presiding bishop of the country's two-point-five Million Episcopalians... said in Rhode Island that the U-S needs to work harder at the negotiating table. He warned that going to war would be a terrible catastrophe, and it would be difficult for the country to recover.

First returns from Czechoslovakia's historic elections are expected tonight. However, because of the complicated and extensive list of coalitions, the impact of the results will not be known until Wednesday or Thursday. Czechoslovakia's first free vote for local officials since 1948 began Friday in one republic and began in two others yesterday.

There's a report that the U-S Postal Service will NOT appeal an arbitrator's order to re-instate seven female employees fired for walking off their jobs because of poor working conditions. The postal clerks were fired last winter for refusing to work in a nearly freezing Chicago building.

Winter visitors to Miami Beach may find the sands a little narrower. High winds and storms are washing away the beach. Miami Beach imported about 14-Million cubic feet of sand in 1979 to expand the beach... and a touch-up three years ago added more sand.

The state of Illinois is taking fines collected from securities law violators and putting the money toward investment education. The state gave the Illinois Council on Economic Education a 10-thousand-dollar grant. One thing the council offers is what it calls the Stock Market Game.

An association of family therapists has canceled its plans to hold its 1992 convention in Minneapolis. The American Family Therapy Association is protesting a Minnesota law that restricts abortion rights of teen-age girls.

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#90329u0353 11/25/1990 ~United Press International

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 25) UPI - A delegation from the British Parliament visited the famed ''Desert Rats'' armored brigade Sunday and said later there would be no change in British Gulf policy after Margaret Thatcher's resignation.

''The people concerned are perfectly certain that there will be no change of policy,'' said Michael Mates, a Conservative member of Parliament and chairman of the Defense Select Committee.

''The entire government is behind this effort, as is the opposition, as are all parties in the House, as indeed is every jack Englishman and woman,'' Mates said, rejecting any change resulting from Thatcher's announcement last week that she would step down as prime minister.

''I think there is a very broad measure of agreement, indeed, throughout the United Kingdom about how the Americans have reacted in the gulf and how the British government has come to the support of Saudi Arabia and the United States forces,'' added Lord Pym, a Conservative member of the House of Lords.

''It is not a particularly controversial subject,'' Pym said.

The two British officials, part of a 13-member delegation, spoke at a news conference after riding in battle tanks and observing maneuvers by the famed ''Desert Rats'' of the 7th Armored Brigade, whose members sport a patch with a picture of a red rat on their arms.

The ''Desert Rats,'' whose unit was named after a signaller's pet Jerboa rat, earned their reputation as a crack tank unit in the campaign in north Africa during World War II, where they fought the German Afrika Corps in some of the bitterest tank battles of the conflict.

The members of Parliament held their news conference in front of two tanks covered by camouflage netting at the 7th Infantry Brigade camp in eastern Saudi Arabia. The British troops are part of a U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the Persian Gulf region after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait during an oil and border dispute.

Winston Churchill, a Conservative member of Parliament and the grandson of Britain's World War II prime minister, told reporters he was impressed by the scale of the buildup and the high morale of the British troops.

He described the presence of 2,500 allied aircraft in the area as ''probably the greatest concentration of air power the world has ever seen'' and said the buildup to an allied army of 500,000 soldiers should give ''a formidable message to (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein.''

Echoing comments made recently by visiting members of the U.S. Congress,

Churchill said the allies would no longer be satisfied by an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

''We're not only talking about the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait, we're talking about getting rid of Iraq's budding nuclear and existing chemical and biological weapons and long-range delivery systems,'' Churchill said.

''That is unacceptable to everyone in the region here and that is something we must not leave the desert until it is resolved,'' he said.

Churchill, a former war correspondent for the Times of London, also had some advice for the allied military leaders.

''If and when the moment comes for action, we must optimize in those areas where we have the greatest advantage - and that is air power,'' he said. ''There is no need for large-scale casualties provided we make our dispositions and our plans in a sensitive way.''

He said he covered the 1967 and 1973 Arab-Israeli wars.

''I've seen with my own eyes the fate of an army in the desert that loses its air cover, flying low over the Sinai and the Golan Heights to see literally hundreds of burned-out tanks, armored personnel carriers and self-propelled guns as far as the eye could see to the horizon.''

Addressing the widespread popular support in Britain for the gulf buildup, John Home Robertson, a Labor member of Parliament, said, ''I wouldn't like anyone to think, in America or anywhere else, that anyone in Britain wants war.''

''I think the people in Britain, the opposition and the government want the United Nations resolutions to be honored and they want the aggressor to leave Kuwait,'' he said. ''It would be far better if that could be done without a war, but if it's going to be necessary to have a war, then so be it.''

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MIAMI (NOV. 25) UPI - A new genetic study shows most of the endangered panthers in the Everglades are not pure-bred Florida panthers at all, but hybrids that may not be entitled to protection under the Endangered Species Act.

The Florida panther is the only wild panther left east of the Rocky Mountains, and is Florida's state animal.

But no more than 13 of the estimated 30 to 50 panthers in the wild are

pure-bred, said Melody Roelke, a veterinarian with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The rest are more closely related to the South American puma.

Scientists at the National Cancer Institute compared genetic codes in the panthers' cells and found two distinct families.

One, in the Big Cypress National Preserve, was founded by pure Florida panthers. The other, in Everglades National Park, apparently descended from South American pumas set free in the 1950s.

The two families have been breeding together and their offspring are hbyrid mixtures of panther and puma.

Panthers and pumas are subspecies of the cougar or mountain lion. Genetic evidence suggests they shared a common ancester 250,000 years ago when the species evolved into a North American and a South American type.

The genetic mixing probably began in the 1950s at Everglades Wonder Garden, a roadside attraction in Punta Gorda whose owners kept a female panther and bred her to cats they believed were also panthers.

Between 1957 and 1967, seven Punta Gorda cats were released into Everglades National Park at the request of scientists who thought the cats were pure-bred and wanted to restore the parks' vanished panther population.

In 1986, biologists noticed that the Everglades Park cats lacked two distinctive Florida panther traits - a kinked tail and a cowlick along the spine.

To find out why, they appealed to the cancer lab, which has done genetic studies of rare animals hoping to learn more about inherited diseases.

Scientists used blood and tissue samples to compare the Florida panthers to cougar subspecies from Chile, Oregon, Texas, Arizona, Colorado and Utah.

The tests showed the Everglades cats matched the South American puma but the Big Cypress cats did not.

Hybridization, or breeding between distant relatives of the same animal species, is usually considered good because it is nature's way of revitalizing a group of animals in danger of dying out.

But the federal Engandered Species Act doesn't protect hybrid animals. That means the cats carrying the South American puma genes may be at risk of losing their legal protection.

Since the Endangered Species Act is also a crucial means of protecting wilderness lands where the panthers roam, the lands are also at risk.

''The Florida panther is suffering from too much information,'' said the study's lead author, Dr. Stephen O'Brien, chief of viral carcinogenesis research at the National Canter Institute. ''I don't think the cat ... should be penalized because we know more about it than we used to, but that could happen.''

The new genetic information also poses a dilemma for bioligsts who are trying to design a captive breeding program to save the panthers.

They could select only pure-bred animals, which already suffer the effects of inbreeding. Scientists say all of the pure-bred males have only one testicle, and 90 percent have abnormalities in their sperm.

That choice would greatly increase the chance of the program's failure and the panthers' ultimate extinction.

Mixing hybrid cats and pure-bred panthers would probably increase the chance of preserving an animal called the Florida panther. But as the generations pass, the animal could lose the traits that make the Florida panther unique.

At least one Everglades cat has already crossed into the Big Cypress and is breeding with panthers there, Roelke said. If nature is left alone, scientists suspect all the wild panthers will eventually be descended at least in part from the South American cats.

While biologists seek more detailed research, the Fish and Wildlife Service has proposed a federal rule that would bar the captue or killing of any wildcat ''similar in appearance'' to the Florida panther and would offer habitat protection. If approved, it would take effect in August.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - Arab reports are quoting a Cairo-based Iraqi opposition leader as saying that Saddam Hussein has begun conscripting children under the age of 15 to guard vital military and economic installations.

The reports says peasants also have been ordered to report to their reserve units by December 15th to free up regular Iraqi army units for combat duty in the Persian Gulf region. Saddam already has announced that he will send another quarter-Million troops to Kuwait.

The state-owned Amman Radio says about 100 German hostages arrived in the Jordanian capital today on an Iraqi airliner. The report says the Germans were freed in Baghdad to show Iraqi appreciation for recent remarks by German Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

The official Tehran Radio reported today that the foreign ministers of Iran and Oman met in the Iranian capital to discuss latest developments in the Persian Gulf. The report says they also discussed the possibility of a second meeting of the foreign ministers of the Gulf Co-operation Council and Iran.

A heavily armed gunman believed to by an Egyptian soldier crossed the border into Israel and opened fire on passing vehicles, killing four Israelis and wounding 23 others. Egypt expressed regret over the incident and said it had arrested a border guard on suspicion of being the gunman.

The shooting was the third Israeli border attack in 24 hours. Earlier, a woman brandished a bag of explosives, then set off a blast that killed herself and wounded two Israeli soldiers in the so-called ''security zone'' in southern Lebanon.

The voters in the Russian-speaking region of Moldavia completed elections today for a parliament they hope will force the republic to compromise on ethnic rights. Otherwise, the separatists say they will secede from Moldavia.

A surge of cool, dry air brought some relief to flood-ravaged areas of Washington state today. The state was swamped by a tropical storm that produced heavy rains, melted mountain snow and forced more than one-thousand people from their homes.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 25) UPI - The world may need long-term trade sanctions against Iraq even if it withdraws from Kuwait to blunt its desire for dangerous new weapons, such as nuclear bombs, Defense Secretary Richard Cheney said Sunday.

President Bush raised the issue of Iraqi efforts to develop nuclear weaponry during his Thanksgiving Day visit to U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia. He warned that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has ''never possessed a weapon he did not use.''

Cheney, during an appearance on the CBS program ''Face the Nation,'' cited Iraq's use of chemical weapons against Kurdish rebels and Iranian forces and pointed to repeated attempts by Saddam's regime to obtain the components needed to produce a nuclear weapon.

''If he were to come into compliance (with U.N. resolutions) and withdraw from Kuwait, you still are going to have to worry about the problem of his acquisition of sophisticated weapons,'' Cheney said.

''That is going to require, I think, a far more aggressive set of sanctions than we have seen up to now. That would mean the sanctions are not going to go

totally away. You're going to try to deny him any further access to the kind of technology he would need to develop this capability. Clearly, it would require an agreement among the nations of the world that this man will not be allowed to succeed.''

An international trade embargo has been employed against Iraq since its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Appearing on the same program, Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine said Iraq's efforts to obtain nuclear weapons had been known for years, but the United States looked the other way because of Iraq's value in the 1980s as a counterbalance to Iran.

Public opinion polls recently have indicated that many Americans rank concern over Iraqi acquisition of nuclear weapons as a compelling reason for U.S. action in the Persian Gulf.

Cheney said Iraq could have a ''crude (nuclear) device'' as soon as one year. Many analysts believe Iraq is five to 10 years from having a small nuclear arsenal, while some say it could be two years or less.

''He's working this problem very hard,'' Cheney said. ''It's only a matter of time until he acquires nuclear weapons and the capability to deliver them.''

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#90329u0424 11/25/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 25) UPI - The three contenders to succeed Margaret Thatcher as prime minister spent Sunday trying to woo uncommitted Conservative members of parliament through newspaper and television interviews.

The candidates each portrayed themselves as the one best able to unite the party after its most rancourous feud in decades, one which forced Thatcher to announce her resignation last week.

All three men also praised Thatcher, embraced most of her policies, but distanced themselves from the poll tax - a controversial new local tax that prompted massive demonstrations and helped make Thatcher the most unpopular prime minister since public opinion polling began here in 1937.

Tuesday, the 372 Conservative members of Parliament will vote by secret ballot for leader of the party, who then automatically becomes prime minister.

A batch of public opinion polls released Sunday showed the Conservatives would beat the Labor party in the next general election if Michael Heseltine, a former Defense Secretary, or John Major, the chancellor of the exchequer, led the party, but the race would be closer if Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary became prime minister.

Thatcher has not endorsed any of the three candidates, but before the recent political crisis Major was considered her heir apparent, the one she believed would most faithfully carry on her policies.

According to the Sunday Times newspaper, Thatcher will vote for Major on Tuesday, but will not publicly endorse him.

Thatcher will resign as a member of parliament if Heseltine, the man who forced her to step down by denying her victory in last Tuesday's first round, wins, the Sunday Times said, quoting unnamed ''close friends.''

Each camp has claimed to be close to the magic number of 187, the number of votes needed to win Tuesday.

Heseltine won 152 votes in the first round, but many analysts believe most of those were ''anybody but Thatcher'' votes. His aides insist he is gaining as many votes as he is losing.

The Independent on Sunday newspaper said its poll of MPs showed Major capturing 87, Heseltine holding 50 and Hurd trailing with 29. The remainder were undecided or refused to comment.

Hurd said he expected the vote to go to a third and final round, which would be held Thursday if no candidate gets 187 votes Tuesday. The final round would be decided by a complicated transfer vote mechanism in which first and second preferences would determine the outcome.

Hurd is regarded as a second choice of many Heseltine and Major supportes.

Heseltine's candidacy was boosted Saturday by endorsements from two ex-Cabinet members who were once Thatcher's most loyal supporters.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the former foreign secretary and deputy prime minister, and Nigel Lawson, the ex-chancellor of the exchequer, who both resigned from Thatcher's Cabinet over antagonism to greater European integration, said Heseltine was best suited to become prime minister.

Howe is described in the British press as the man who handed Heseltine the knife against Thatcher. In his first interview since his devastating resignation speech on Nov. 13, which forced the Conservative differences over greater European integration into the open, Howe said he did not intend to topple Thatcher.

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#90329u0432 11/25/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 25) UPI - Police Sunday found 100 pounds of explosives in the

belly of a Miami-bound jet and arrested a suspect who said he had planned to sell the cache in Puerto Rico, authorities said.

The M-80 explosives were found in four 25-pound boxes in the luggage area on Pan Am Flight 402 as the plane was being readied for takeoff at John F. Kennedy International Airport in Queens, said Port Authority Police Officer Philip Montuori.

Police later learned that Jose Molina-Nieves, 52, of Rio Grande, Puerto Rico, had bought the explosives in New York's Chinatown for sale in San Juan, Montuori said.

A worker loading the aircraft noticed the boxes at 8:15 a.m. and alerted authorities, the officer said.

Port Authority Officer Kevin Devlin said Molina-Nieves was arrested at the airport. The suspect was traveling with his wife and daughter, a girl about 10 years old, and the family apparently planned to board Flight 402.

The flight eventually departed without incident and the explosives were transported to the Bronx for detonation, Devlin said.

''He doesn't speak much English. He told us through an interpreter that he puchased a quantity of explosive devices in Chinatown and was bringing them back to Puerto Rico to resell,'' Devlin said.

''The stuff was found when the baggage handler accidentally ripped a box open and found these items,'' he said. ''He notified Pan Am security who notified us.''

Devlin said Port Authority police had notified the FBI and other federal authorities, but federal proseuctors decided not to prosecute Molina-Nieves.

''Apparently they (federal authorities) don't believe his intent was to do damage to the aircraft,'' Devlin said.

The suspect was turned over to city police and Molina-Nieves was expected to be arraigned later, Devlin said.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - SUNDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Football

NY Jets - Activated tackle Scott Jones; waived safety Ken Johnson.

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#90329u0498 11/25/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 25) UPI - Arab news reports indicate that Iraq is moving onto more of a war footing by conscripting youths under 15 years of age and ordering peasants to report to their reserve units. Word of new mobilization action in Iraq comes amid reports that the United States will seek a U-N Security Council meeting on Thursday to authorize military options to get Iraq out of Kuwait. Reports say Iraq will use the children to guard vital military and economic installations, freeing regular troops for combat in Kuwait.

An Iraqi charter flight today carried 104 German and one British national to Frankfurt, Germany, where the former hostages were greeted by cheering friends and relatives. Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein announced previously that he would free all remaining German hostages in Iraq and Kuwait. The German Foreign Ministry says another seven Germans held in Kuwait did NOT get to the airport in time to make today's flight but will be on a later one.

There have been three attacks in Israeli border areas in 24 hours, and Egyptian officials expressed regret over one of them. The Egyptians say they are holding a border guard on suspicion of firing the shots that killed four Israelis and wounded 23 others today near the resort town of Eilat. Israel says a heavily armed gunman cross into Israel from Egypt and opened fire on passing vehicles.

The other anti-Israeli attacks occurred in the Israel-declared ''security zone'' in southern Lebanon and off the Lebanese coast. An Israeli naval patrol intercepted and killed five guerrillas attempting a seaborne infiltration. In southern Lebanon, a woman killed herself and injured two Israeli soldiers by triggering a bag of explosives.

Diplomatic sources in Paris say Cambodian resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk is urging the four main factions in Cambodia to hold what he terms a ''fraternal meeting'' in the French capital. The sources reported that Sihanouk wants the meeting as soon as possible. They say the resistance leader wants the meeting to be ''non-official.'' Sihanouk is in Paris on what he called a private visit.

A young Marine on leave for the Thanksgiving holiday was killed before dawn this morning by a hit-and-run driver on an expressway in Queens, New York. Police say 19-year-old Lance Corporal Reynaldo Martindale and a friend had stopped to help a woman whose auto had stopped on the roadway. They say the two were pushing the car off the roadway when another vehicle struck them. The Marine's friend is hospitalized in stable condition.

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#90329u0539 11/25/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 25) UPI - Embattled Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov indicated Sunday he will not fade away and that the upcoming Congress of People's Deputies will have to force his ouster if it desires.

Ryzhkov's resignation has been rumored ever since Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev last Saturday outlined a new plan of government in which the president would control the government ministers.

But Ryzhkov said on Soviet television such a government restructuring requires a change in the constitution that only the Congress of People's Deputies can approve.

Since the Congress, parent body of the Supreme Soviet, meets on Dec. 17, Ryzhkov appeared to indicate he would hold out until then.

''In any case, this question should be decided by the Congress,'' Ryzhkov said. ''If it supports the new system, it must amend the constitution.''

A similar session of the 2,250-person Congress in Feburary was required to create the office of presidency for Gorbachev because it concerned a constitutional change.

Cryptically, Ryzhkov said: ''I am ready for any variant if it will help the government.''

But the overall tenor of Ryzhkov's remarks was it would require a constitutional change to force him out as the Soviet premier.

''I will not change my principles, no matter what structural changes will take place,'' Ryzhkov said. ''I have firm life convictions, firm political conditions, and I do not intend to change them.''

Ryzhkov said he had expected he would leave in December when the republics finally decide whether to accept a new union treaty reconstituting the state into a Union of Soviet Sovereign Republics - dropping the word ''Socialist'' from the country's old name, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

But Ryzhkov said Gorbachev gave him only 30 minutes notice last Saturday by telephoning and saying he was going to propose the restructuring that very morning, changes that in effect would remove Ryzhkov.

Ryzhkov, son of a Russian coal miner in the Ukraine, was non-comittal when asked if he would continue in politics if he were removed.

Ryzhkov's star began falling when Gorbachev turned to Russian President Boris Yeltsin to work out an economic plan after the parliament last June failed to give final approval to Ryzhkov's blueprint for a semi-market economy.

But throughout the debate this autumn, Ryzhkov never wavered in his contention that a price reform and higher prices had to be the first step in any effective economic reform.

In what was a surreal atmosphere in October, Gorbachev combined the design he had worked out with Yeltsin, the so-called 500-day plan, and a variant of Ryhzkov's formula. The parliament duly passed it.

In the early years of perestroika, Ryzhkov was a major figure, sent as a trouble shooter to all major hot spots, including Chernobyl after the nuclear disaster, Armenia following the December 1988 earthquake and Central Asia to restore order after ethnic killings there of Meskhetian Turks.

Ryzhkov, whose uncles were also all miners, was the point man in settling the nationwide coal strike of two years ago for which he earned little praise but a constant battering in the news media.

In an indication of the base he would use to build a new political life, Ryzhkov said he hoped any new government would honor the settlement he signed with the colliers.

Ryzhkov portrayed himself as the guarantor that the settlement with miners would be carried out.

Without him, he said, ''it cannot be excluded some changes could take place in the case of a new government.'' He said he hoped this would not happen.

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#90329u0554 11/25/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 25) UPI - Iraq reportedly is mobilizing children and peasants in preparation for war, as U-S officials urge allies on the U-N Security Council to approve a resolution to put military sanctions on Iraq. An Iraqi opposition group is quoted as saying children under 15 were being mobilized, and officials ordered peasants to report to their reserve units by December 15th.

The official Islamic Republic News Agency says the Iranian foreign minister and his six counterparts in the Gulf Co-operation Council will hold a meeting in Oman for the second time in two months. The announcement came after the Iranian official met with his Omani counterpart in Tehran.

Iraq, meanwhile, sent a chartered airliner out to Amman, Jordan, and then Frankfurt, Germany, with 104 Germans and one British national on board... hostages freed from Iraq and Kuwait. Cheering friends and relatives greeted the hostages at the Frankfurt airport.

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near the resort town of Eilat. Egypt expressed regret over the incident and said it had arrested a border guard on suspicion of doing the shooting.

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Voters in Poland are casting ballots in the nation's first free presidential election today, choosing from among six candidates. Solidarity union founder Lech Walesa is expected to end up in a run-off with another candidate in two weeks.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1. Colorado (39) (10-1-1)	731	1
2. Miami (3) (8-2)	624	2
3. Georgia Tech (3) (9-0-1)	621	3
4. (tie) BYU (3) (10-1)	569	4
4. (tie) Texas (2) (9-1)	569	5
6. Notre Dame (9-2)	466	8
7. Washington (9-2)	448	7
8. Florida State (8-2)	410	9
9. Penn State (9-2)	383	10
10. Tennessee (7-2-2)	306	12
11. Clemson (9-2)	202	13
12. Michigan (8-3)	171	15
13. Mississippi (9-2)	111	17
14. Nebraska (9-2)	98	6

15.	Iowa (8-3)	51	11
16.	Louisville (9-1-1)	47	19
17.	Texas A&M (8-2-1)	41	22
18.	Southern Cal (8-3-1)	32	16
19.	Illinois (8-3)	26	20
20.	Auburn (7-2-1)	25	21
21.	Michigan State (7-3-1)	18	23
22.	Ohio State (7-3-1)	12	17
23.	(tie) S. Mississippi (8-3)	8	NR
23.	(tie) Virginia (8-3)	8	14
25.	(tie) San Jose St. (8-2-1)	7	23
25.	(tie) Oregon (8-3)	7	NR

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: Baylor, Louisiana Tech, Virginia Tech.

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#90329u0775 11/25/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 25) UPI - Arab news reports say Iraq is conscripting school children, apparently to guard vital military and economic installations so regular troops are available for combat duty. And Baghdad Radio says peasants who make up part of the nation's reserve force have been ordered to report for duty by December 15th.

Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell of Maine says he believes the administration should give the U-N-backed embargo more time to force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait before resorting to military action.

The Iranian foreign minister says he will fly to Moscow to discuss the Gulf crisis with his Soviet counterpart. He also announced that he will meet with six other Arab foreign ministers from the Gulf Co- operation Council.

Egypt expressed regret and said it is holding the border guard suspected of being the gunman who crossed the border into Israel and opening fire on passing vehicles near the town of Eilat. Israel says four Israeli were killed and 23 others wounded in the incident.

More woes today because of flooding in Washington state. A quarter- mile section of the old Interstate 90 floating bridge across Lake Washington in Seattle broke loose and sank. State transportation officials closed the new I-90 span as well, while workers determined whether it is in danger, too.

Authorities say the howling Chinook winds that blew a fire across more than six-thousand acres outside Boulder, Colorado, subsided overnight, giving firefighters a better chance to encirle the blaze and control it. The flames destroyed 15 structures and forced about 100 sub- division residents from

their homes for a time last night.

Another Colorado fire is threatening to paralyze the seventh-busiest airport in the nation, Stapleton Airport in Denver. Authorities say the cause of the fire has NOT been determined, but flames erupted in two 400-thousand-gallon tanks containing jet fuel.

Early returns from the first free presidential election in Poland show Solidarity union founder Lech Walesa with an overwhelming lead... but still NOT enough to win election outright. Walesa is capturing about 41 percent of the vote but will have to face his closest competitor in the six-man field in a run-off election in two weeks.

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(NOV. 26) - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA	DIV.	STREAK
EAST								
Buffalo	9	1	0	.900	288	150	5-1	W-8
Miami	9	2	0	.818	232	122	6-0	W-1
Indianapolis	5	6	0	.455	176	230	2-3	W-3
New York Jets	4	8	0	.333	199	257	1-5	L-3
New England	1	10	0	.090	144	305	1-6	W-1
CENTRAL								
Cincinnati	6	5	0	.545	259	262	2-1	L-1
Pittsburgh	6	5	0	.545	198	181	1-2	W-1
Houston	5	5	0	.500	229	192	2-1	W-1
Cleveland	2	9	0	.182	164	300	1-2	L-6
WEST								
Kansas City	7	4	0	.636	246	172	3-3	W-2
LA Raiders	7	4	0	.636	207	174	4-2	L-1
San Diego	5	6	0	.455	224	190	2-2	L-1
Seattle	4	6	0	.400	196	206	2-4	L-1
Denver	3	8	0	.300	237	280	2-2	L-4

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
EAST								
New York Giants	10	1	0	.909	259	141	6-1	L-1
Philadelphia	7	4	0	.636	282	222	3-3	W-5
Washington	6	5	0	.545	247	213	4-4	L-1
Dallas	5	7	0	.417	176	242	1-5	W-2

Phoenix	3	8	0	.273	172	278	2-3	W-1
CENTRAL								
Chicago	9	2	0	.818	258	180	4-1	L-1
Green Bay	6	5	0	.545	220	227	2-3	W-3
Minnesota	5	6	0	.455	259	222	2-4	W-4
Detroit	4	7	0	.364	253	274	1-4	W-1
Tampa Bay	4	8	0	.333	187	294	4-2	L-6
WEST								
San Francisco	10	1	0	.909	270	179	3-1	L-1
New Orleans	5	6	0	.455	198	202	1-2	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	4	7	0	.364	247	299	2-0	W-1
Atlanta	3	8	0	.273	265	285	1-4	L-4

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Officials say it will take 24 to 30 hours for two 400-thousand-gallon jet fuel tanks to burn themselves out at Stapleton Airport in Denver. They say firefighters are pouring retardant foam on the tanks and water on nearby tanks that are even bigger to prevent them from exploding.

A new genetic study shows that most of the endangered panthers in the Everglades are NOT pure-bred Florida panthers but are hybrids that may NOT be entitled to protection under the Endangered Species Act.

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#90329u0920 11/25/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 25) UPI - Iraq reportedly is acting more like a nation at war these days. Reports in the Arab media say the Iraqis are enlisting school children under age 15 and have ordered peasants who make up part of the reserves to report for duty by December 15th. The children apparently will be used to guard military and economic installations, thereby freeing regular troops for combat duty.

There could be a new Arab attempt to solve the Persian Gulf crisis. The Iranian foreign minister announced today that he will meet with his six counterparts from the Gulf Co-operation Council to discuss the crisis. He also said he is going to Moscow to discuss the Gulf situation with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

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Early projections show Solidarity union founder Lech Walesa with an overwhelming lead in the first free presidential election in Poland. But they also reveal a stunning upset in the making. A businessman who lived abroad for 20 years has taken a lead over Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki. The projections by a German polling firm showed Walesa with 39-point-one percent of the vote, meaning he will have to face a run-off contest in two weeks.

An attorney for Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie says his client has survived appendicitis and a hernia operation since being extradited to France but now has cancer. The left-wing attorney who unsuccessfully defended Barbie against war crimes charges says he is leading a campaign to get the 76-year-old known as the ''Butcher of Lyon'' released from prison to undergo further treatment.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - Officials in Washington State are asking for outside help as floodwaters continue to wreak havoc in western and central parts of the state. The National Guard will transport 100-thousand sandbags from New York beginning tomorrow. Many counties in western Washington have run out of sandbags... and officials say Snohomish County, hardest hit by the rising waters, have stopped sandbagging efforts altogether because of ''lack of success.''

Iraq reportedly has begun mobilizing schoolchildren and peasants in preparation for war. Cairo Radio reports that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is drafting children under 15 to guard vital military and economic installations. The move will free soldiers up for combat missions. There's NO official confirmation of the report but Baghdad Radio says Iraq's ruling Revolutionary Command Council ordered peasants who form part of the country's reserves to report for duty in their units by December 15th.

Arab radio stations also quote U-S Secretary of State Baker as saying during a visit to Bogota, Colombia, that the U-N Security Council will vote Thursday on military sanctions against Iraq. The stations say Baker hopes as many of the Security Council's 15 members as possible will authorize force if that becomes necessary. Canadian Foreign Minister Joe Clark told reporters in Cairo today that he doesn't expect the multi- national force to strike at Iraq before the U-N vote.

More than 260-thousand railway workers in the five new eastern German states have voted to strike tomorrow to demand wage hikes and job security. A union spokesman says about 97 percent of the railway employees of the former East German state railway... the Deutsche Reichsbahn... voted in support of the general strike. The walkout is expected to begin affecting passenger and freight services tomorrow. Trains transporting essential consumer goods will be exempt from the strike.

Early projections show Polish Solidarity union founder Lech Walesa has grabbed the lead in Poland's first direct presidential election. Walesa is expected to capture 39-point-one percent of the vote in a six-way race... still short of the 50 percent required to avoid a runoff. But in a dramatic upset, the projections show a businessman who lived abroad some 20 years has swept into second place ahead of Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki. Wealthy Stanislaw Tyminski has 23-point-four percent. Mazowiecki has 20 percent.

In Czechoslovakia, returns show the pro-democracy Civic Forum has taken a commanding lead in local government elections in the Czech Republic as the nation continues to participatory democracy. The conservative Christian Democratic movement is leading in Slovakia. The balloting was held Friday and yesterday in Slovakia and yesterday only in the Czech lands of Moravia and

Bohemia. The elections were the first for local and county government offices since 1938.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - Iraq reportedly is beefing up its armed forces in preparation for war. Cairo Radio says the government is drafting schoolchildren under age 15 and giving peasants until December 15th to report for duty. The reports say the children will guard vital military installations.

In Washington, Defense Secretary Cheney says long-term trade sanctions may be needed against Iraq even if it withdraws from Kuwait. The reason, says Cheney, is to blunt Baghdad's desire for dangerous new weapons, such as nuclear bombs.

Authorities in Boulder, Colorado, say they've nearly contained a six-thousand-acre wildfire. The erratic, fast-moving fire was fanned by gale-force winds as it consumed thousands of acres and 15 structures.

In Denver, officials say two giant 400-thousand-gallon tanks containing aviation fuel are burning at Stapleton Airport and is threatening even larger tanks nearby. Officials say the blaze caused flight delays of up to three hours.

Flood waters eased in all parts of Western Washington this evening, but authorities are keeping an eye on at least nine rivers swollen to the brink from weeks of heavy rains.

Winter storm warnings for heavy snow were posted today for north- central Montana and the northwest and southwest mountains and passes of Wyoming and the mountains of Utah. St. Mary and East Glacier, both in Montana, reported up to 27 inches of snow.

Astronomers today announced plans to create the most detailed map of the universe ever attempted. They say the three-dimensional map that will be 100 times more complete will help answer fundamental questions about the structure and evolution of the cosmos.

A record 100-thousand spectators lined the route in Pasadena today to laugh and cheer as the Doo Dah Parade ambled jerkily through its 15th occasional edition. The Doo Dah Parade is an irreverent preamble to more traditional holiday pageants.

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(NOV. 25) UPI - The U-N Security Council meets this week to discuss a resolution on using force to oust Iraq from Kuwait. The Bush administration

has warned of the pitfalls of letting the Persian Gulf crisis drag on. But Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell today called for continued reliance on the international trade embargo to force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. Mitchell says congressional leaders are monitoring developments in the effort against Iraq but he says there's NO sentiment to give President Bush a blank check for use of military force.

Embattled Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov appears to be softening on his earlier threat to resign if Parliament approves Soviet President Gorbachev's new government reorganization plan. Ryzhkov today indicated on Soviet television that the upcoming Congress of People's Deputies will have to force his ouster. He said- ''In any case, this question should be decided by the Congress.''

In South Africa, African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela says black political movements are trying to force a united front in advance of power-sharing negotiations with the minority white government. Speaking to a rally of more than 10-thousand people in a black township east of Johannesburg Mandela appealed for closer links with the radical Pan Africanist Congress, a splinter movement of the A-N-C. He says unity among the movements is vital to the negotiations.

New York authorities today found 100 pounds of explosives on a Miami- bound Pam Am jetliner. Authorities say the M four 25-pound boxes in the luggage area of the plane as it was being readied for takeoff at Kennedy International Airport. Police arrested a 52-year-old Puerto Rico man who said he had planned to sell the cache in his homeland.

The key figures in the bitter strike at the New York Daily News testify tomorrow before the State Assembly's Labor Committee about the numerous firebombings and vandalism that have marked the month-long labor dispute. The panel is considering crafting legislation in response to the violence stemming from the strike by 25-hundred News workers. Police report there have 196 reports of strike-related violence and 89 arrests since the walkout began October 25th.

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CAMPBELL, CALIF. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Zilog Inc. Monday announced that Edgar A. Sack, president and chief executive officer has been elected chairman of the board of directors.

This position had not been previously filled.

Sack, a veteran of the semiconductor industry, joined Zilog in 1985. In June 1989 he led the acquisition of the company by its employees and the Warburg Pincus Capital Co. L.P.

In addition to Sack, the Zilog board of directors includes William Janeway, Henry Kressel of Warburg Pincus and Tom Connors of TJC Investments.

Speaking on behalf of the board, Janeway said: ''Zilog has made commendable progress over the past five years and has just completed its 57th straight month of profitable operations. With revenues of approximately $100 million, Zilog has a strong balance sheet that carries less than $10 million of debt.

''In addition, during 1990, the company has introduced over twenty new products. Warburg Pincus is pleased to be associated with Zilog in these endeavors.''

Zilog Inc., formed in 1975, produces a complete line of microprocessors, microcontrollers and peripheral circuits for the datacommunications, intelligent peripheral, consumer and military markets.

Zilog's Superintegration library includes the popular Z80 8-bit CPU, the Z8 8-bit microcontroller, the Z8000 16-bit CPU, the industry standard SCC (Serial Communications Controller), the high performance 10 Mb/second USC (Universal Serial Controller) and numerous peripheral cores and cells.

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NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Ventura Entertainment Group Ltd. (NASDAQ:VEGG) and its subsidiary Ventura Motion Picture Group Ltd. (NASDAQ:VMPG) have jointly filed a lawsuit in federal court against Herzog, Heine, Geduld Inc., John E. Herzog; and Mark Matheson, Walter W. Cruttenden III, Cruttenden & Co. Inc.; Michael Murphy doing business as Overpriced Stock Service; and other yet unnamed defendants for conspiracy and violations of Securities and Exchange Commission regulations involving securities fraud and stock manipulation (Section 10b-5) of the Securities Exchange Act, according to the Los Angeles law firm of Cooper & Dempsey, counsel for Ventura.

The lawsuit states, among other charges, that:

(a) The Defendants, through means of interstate commerce and the mails, began implementing their scheme to manipulate downward the trading price of Ventura Entertainment Group's common stock by the use of fraudulent and deceptive devices including disseminating false and misleading information about Ventura Entertainment Group while short selling Ventura Entertainment Group's common stock in violation of the Rules of Fair Practice of the NASD and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

(b) The Defendants, in an effort to artificially drive the price of Ventura Entertainment Group securities downward, have engaged in short sales of securities without making the required, ''affirmative determination that it will receive delivery of the security from the customer or that it can borrow the security on behalf of the customer for delivery by settlement date.''

Irving Einhorn, a 17-year veteran of the Securities and Exchange Commission and former chief of its Los Angeles office, has been retained by the companies in connection with this litigation as special counsel to advise as to appropriate litigation and regulatory responses with regard to what the companies believe are activities by certain persons or firms who are engaging in illegal short sales of the companies' stock in the open market.

Ventura Entertainment Group is a fully integrated entertainment production company which, directly and through its subsidiaries, produces television commercials, develops and produces network, cable and syndicated television series, miniseries, MOWs, theatrical motion pictures, music/variety specials and live events for the domestic and international marketplace. The company also produces and publishes music, and owns the Ventura Media Center in Orem, Utah, one of the largest production facilities outside of Los Angeles.

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TEMPE, AZ (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - UDC-Universal Development L.P. (NYSE:UDC) Monday declared fourth quarter distributions on its common, Series A preferred and Series B preferred shares.

The board of directors voted to pay distributions of 10 cents per common share 93.75 cents per Series A preferred share and 90.625 cents per Series B preferred share.

All distributions are payable Jan. 7, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 17.

Gary A. Rosenberg, chairman and chief executive officer, said ''the amount of the fourth quarter 1990 common distribution, reflecting continued slow buyer demand and a highly competitive business environment, results in regular common distributions of $1.80 per share for 1990.

''The rate of common distributions for calendar year 1991 will be established by the board of directors at its first quarter 1991 meeting,'' Rosenberg said.

UDC also reaffirmed its previously announced open market common share repurchase plan, which will permit the company or its affiliated entities to purchase up to 300,000 of its outstanding common shares and approved an open

market purchase plan for up to 300,000 of its outstanding preferred shares.

No purchase has been made pursuant to the prior authorization.

''Market purchases of UDC common and preferred shares may represent an advantageous use of capital from time to time,'' Rosenberg said. ''This authorization provides management with the opportunity to take action on a timely basis.''

UDC builds quality upscale family and adult residential communities in the Sun Belt, with operations in Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, Noth Carolina and South Carolina.

Its common and preferred shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Pacific Corp. (SPC) Monday announced that it intends to redeem $225 million of its $525 million of auction rate preferred stock.

After the redemptions, $300 million of SPC auction rate preferred stock will remain outstanding.

SPC expects to redeem all of its $75 million Series B, $75 million Series C and $75 million Series D preferred stock.

Security Pacific is the fifth-largest bank holding company in the United States with over $88 billion in assets.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Grubb & Ellis Realty Income Trust (NASDAQ/NMS:GRIT) said Monday that Hopkins Development Co., the prospective buyer of its Livermore Arcade Shopping Center, has advised the REIT that it will not close the purchase of the property because of a dispute between the REIT and the lessor to the REIT of a leasehold interest in a portion of the property.

The REIT previously announced entering into the contract with Hopkins for the sale of the property at approximately the property's appraised value.

The REIT stated that it did not believe that any sale of the Livermore property would be completed in 1990.

The dispute involves the lessor's assertion that options which would extend the term of the REIT's leasehold interest from Jan. 31, 1991 to Jan. 31, 2001 have not been properly exercised. The leasehold interest is in 21,600 square feet of improvements, which are part of the 110,000 square-foot shopping center.

If the lessor is correct, it could have an adverse effect on the earnings and assets of the REIT. The REIT is investigating the matter and intends to vigorously pursue its position that the leasehold interest has been extended to Jan. 31, 2001.

Grubb & Ellis Realty Income Trust is advised by Grubb & Ellis Realty Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Grubb & Ellis Co., one of the nation's largest real estate services firms.

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LAKEWOOD, CO. (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of K N Energy Inc. (NYSE:KNE) Monday declared a regular quarterly dividend for the fourth quarter of 1990 of 28 cents per share on the 9,540,817 shares of common stock currently outstanding.

The dividend is payable Dec. 31, 1990 to common shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

In other action the Board also declared the following preferred dividends payable Jan. 1, 1991 to preferred shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990:

Quarterly dividend of $1.25 per share on the Class A $5.00 cumulative preferred stock (without par value).

Quarterly dividend of $2.125 per share on the Class A $8.50 cumulative preferred stock (without par value).

Quarterly dividend of $2.075 per share on the Class B $8.30 cumulative preferred stock (without par value).

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Richard Buxton, 303/989-1740

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BOSTON, MASS. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - A clearer understanding of how to store high level nuclear waste from weapons facilities and power plant reactors is emerging with the help of a computer model developed by a research chemist at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

William L. Bourcier told scientists here at the annual meeting of the Materials Research Society that he and his colleagues are using computers to assess the probable behavior of nuclear waste incorporated into a chemically resistant borosilicate glass over periods up to 10,000 years. After 10,000 years, the radioactive elements will have decayed away and will no longer be harmful.

Scientists have proposed combining borosilicate with the radioactive elements most commonly found in high level nuclear waste -- including plutonium, americium and neptunium -- and placing it in double-walled metal storage containers in an underground geological repository.

The storage container's inner wall would be lined with stainless steel containing iron, chromium and nickel, with an outer material likely to be an alloy of either stainless steel, copper or nickel.

Bourcier's work is currently focused on predicting the behavior of the glassified mixture should it come in contact with groundwater and rocks present at a repository site.

The computer simulations allow many types of scenarios to be investigated quickly. For example, if the climate were to change and affect the temperature and chemistry of the ground water at the repository site, the effects of these changes on the performance of the repository could be predicted.

Because the simulations do not yet incorporate all the chemical processes that take place in nature, they are being developed in conjunction with laboratory investigations that mimic the expected repository conditions.

Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, managed by the University of California for the U.S. Department of Energy, conducts research and development important to national goals, including national defense.

Current research programs include weapons, energy, biomedicine and the environment. The Laboratory has had a longstanding commitment to develop new methods and technologies to protect the environment and enhance the nation's

economic competitiveness.

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OKLAHOMA CITY (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Alexander Energy Corp. Monday announced it had received a commitment from John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. for $2.1 million to develop eight initial horizontal wells in a 30-well Austin Chalk program in Burleson County, Texas.

Interests in the Austin Chalk leases are held jointly by Alexander and John Hancock through AEJH 1987 Limited Partnership. Alexander's share of AEJH 1987 working interest is a 25 percent back-in.

The partnership's proposed cost to share in the development of the 30-well Austin Chalk program is $5.5 million, or approximately 20 percent of this $28.5 million drilling program. Evaluations indicate gross reserves of the program have the potential to exceed five million barrels of oil and 28 billion cubic feet of gas.

Reserves, net to AEJH 1987, are estimated to be 773 thousand barrels of oil and five billion cubic feet of gas. Net gas flow to the partnership, after recoupment of the capital investment, is estimated at $12.5 million. The company will operate at least 20 of the 30 proposed wells.

The projections of this 30-well program are based on the success of the Falkenberg-Mills No. 1, AEJH 1987's initial horizontal participation in the Austin Chalk. The well was completed during the second quarter of 1990 with reported initial potential of 1,200 barrels of oil and 600 Mcf of gas per day.

Bob G. Alexander, president, said, ''The economics of this program are based on pre-August 1990 prices and are conservative projections. It is also realistic to assume that as the program progresses we will acquire farm-ins and non-consent interests that could substantially increase AEJH 1987's current interest.''

He further remarked, ''We are pleased that Hancock has joined us in this project and look forward to the continuation of our ongoing relationship.'

Alexander Energy Corp. is an oil and gas exploration and production company based in the Mid-Continent Area, with operations in the Gulf Coast and Rocky Mountain Areas. The company's common shares are traded in the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol AEOK.

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PHOENIX (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Millions of containers of Lunch Buckets are on their way to feed the troops in Saudi Arabia.

The Dial Corp., a unit of Greyhound Dial Corp., has received a $20.9 million defense logistics agency contract for combat meals for Operation Desert Shield.

''It's our understanding that the servicemen requested better meals,'' said Andrew S. Patti, Dial's president. ''The troops have so many restrictions in that desert environment that food is the only touch of luxury they have. So, good food means an awful lot to them. We're glad our Lunch Bucket line has the quality and the variety of meals they're looking for.''

Already the trucks are rolling out of the company's Fort Madison, Iowa, food plant with 84,000 cases of Lunch Buckets, the nation's most popular microwaveable meals. This is the first of many weekly shipments.

But the army won't be microwaving them. Their cooks have figured out that they can remove the plastic lids from the Lunch Buckets and toss hundreds of them into huge vats of hot water. Heat ten minutes, and they are ready to eat. And due to the insulated container, they remain hot for 30 minutes.

Soldiers in the field will be dining on hearty beef stew, spaghetti 'n' meat sauce, macaroni 'n' beef, lasagna, pasta 'n' chicken, chili mac, pasta Italiano and chili with beans. The product is being trucked to Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma, and Sharp Army Depot in California, where it will be airlifted to Saudi Arabia.

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GREENWICH, CT (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Walsh, Greenwood & Co., a Connecticut-based investment firm, announced Monday that it and its affiliates have acquired additional shares of common stock of The Shirt Shed Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SHRT), and certain securities convertible into or exercisable for shares of Shirt Shed common stock.

Assuming full conversion and exercise of its securities, Walsh Greenwood and its affiliates own 3,413,303 shares of Shirt Shed common stock, representing approximately 40 percent of the outstanding common stock on a fully diluted

basis.

Those shares, together with shares owned or purchasable by management of Shirt Shed, represent in excess of 50 percent of such common stock and may therefore represent the ability to effect certain changes through the voting of such shares, including, without limitation, a proposed acquisition of Shirt Shed by Signal Apparel Co. Inc. (NYSE:SIA), an affiliate of Walsh Greenwood.

Signal is currently in discussions with Shirt Shed regarding the proposed acquisition by Signal of all outstanding shares of common stock of Shirt Shed not currently owned by Signal at a price of $4 per share.

In addition to the shares of common stock described above, Signal currently holds a $6 million subordinated note which, under certain circumstances, is convertible into shares of Shirt Shed's preferred stock and, at $3 per share, into 2 million shares of Shirt Shed's common stock.

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Paul R. Greenwood, 203/863-8400

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NEW CASTLE, IN (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Paul W. Prior, chairman of the board of Ameriana Bancorp (NASDAQ/NMS:ASBI), Monday announced that the company's board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 12 cents per share, payable Jan. 4, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 21, 1990.

Ameriana Bancorp, through its wholly owned subsidiary, Ameriana Savings Bank, offers an extensive line of banking services to the east central Indiana area through offices in New Castle, Knightstown, Middletown and Greenfield.

In addition to banking services, Ameriana, through Ameriana Financial Services Inc., has an interest in a life insurance company headquartered in New Orleans owns Thalls Ameriana, a full-service insurance agency in New Castle, and provides a full line of investments and securities products in its brokerage center.

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Harry J. Bailey, 317/529-2230

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DENVER (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - A Continental Airlines widebody aircraft arrived in Denver early this morning, carrying 26,000 pounds of foam to be used in the airport firefighting effort.

The special flight left Houston at 1:12 a.m., arriving at Stapleton at 2:15 a.m. The foam was transported in 44 55-gallon drums. The drums, loaded aboard a special Continental Airbus A-300 flight, were delivered to Stapleton Airport authorities and the Denver Fire Department upon arrival.

Continental has also assisted its competitor, United Airlines, during their fuel supply crisis. Continental has permitted numerous United aircraft to take on fuel at Continental facilities in Denver. Additionally, many United passengers have been able to avoid inconvenience or delay by switching to Continental flights.

Continental's operations in Denver have not been affected by the major fire at the airport fuel storage depot. On Sunday, approximately 85 percent of Continental's flights departed on time, there were no delays exceeding 30 minutes, and no cancellations related to the fire.

Continental has relocated most of its Denver operations from Concourse C to Concourse D, which is connected to a separate fuel storage facility. The fuel storage facility serving Concourse D has a 240,000 gallon capacity, and is served by its own pipeline supply system.

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Corporate Communications, 713/834-5080

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LA SALLE, COLO. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Miller Diversified Corp. (OTC) Monday announced that in two unrelated transactions it has made an investment in a loan servicing package and acquired a commodities trading firm.

In the first transaction, Miller acquired an interest in a loan servicing package that could return more than three times Miller's total investment over the life of the package.

Norman M. Dean, chairman of the board, said Miller and two partners in the venture jointly purchased a loan servicing package that's expected to service $55 million in loans over a 10-year period. Miller and its partners made small cash investments and the remaining 80 percent of the $700,000 purchase price was financed by one of Miller's partners. Miller is not obligated under that note. Under terms of the agreement, Miller expects to recoup its investment within three years and then realize an approximate 300 percent return on its investment over the final seven years of the package.

In the second transaction, Miller acquired LaSalle Commodity and Cattle Services Co., a Colorado-based commodity trading firm. In addition to offering commodities trading services to the general public, Miller will make

the service available to its cattle customers and to shareholders of Miller Diversified.

''The ability to provide commodity trading services is an important adjunct to our principal business of custom cattle feeding,'' Dean said, adding that LaSalle Commodity and Cattle Services has been profitable since inception in 1987.

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In another development, Dean said Miller Diversified appears to meet the criteria for listing its stock on the NASDAQ quotation system and intends to make formal application for such listing in early December, once November financial statements are available.

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Norman M. Dean, 303/356-1200

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The United Way, reflecting its commitment to being responsive to the changing needs of the greater Los Angeles community, recently selected 22 health and human service agencies serving diverse ethnic populations as candidates for admission to United Way membership.

Having completed the first two phases of a rigorous five-phase admissions process, these agencies will receive a total of $469,484 in funding for this fiscal year.

These agencies are the first to be selected as potential United Way member agencies in five years. They were selected because of their capacity to address the priority needs in ethnic communities identified in a recent needs assessment conducted by United Way.

Also, for the first time on an area-wide basis, 12 non-United Way agencies were identified to receive technical assistance from United Way in organizational development, planning, marketing and public relations.

In announcing the selected agencies, Feelie Lee, Ph.D., chair of the United Way System-Wide Admissions Committee said, ''These decisions reflect United Way's commitment to develop new kinds of relationships that better reflect the ethnically diverse nature of the greater Los Angeles/San Bernardino area. We are expanding and diversifying to meet the needs of this ever-changing community.''

It is anticipated that successful candidates will become United Way member

agencies in the next 18-24 months.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Microwave Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DMIC) and AT&T Network Systems Monday announced a development and supply agreement for the design of a new generation of Synchronous Digital Hierarchy (SDH) based digital microwave radio products.

Under the terms of the agreement, Digital Microwave and AT&T will jointly develop a new family of digital radio products for global applications requiring SDH transmission. Technology which evolves from this joint development effort will be available to both companies for future products.

Both companies will market this new radio product line, with AT&T concentrating on high-capacity applications and Digital Microwave on low- to medium-capacity.

''We are very pleased to be in partnership with AT&T on these leading-edge products,'' commented William E. Gibson, president and chief executive officer of Digital Microwave Corp. ''Since 1985, we have continually enhanced and expanded our relationship with AT&T, and today's resulting partnership is evidence of the continuing growth of our relationship.''

''This agreement is an important step that both companies are taking and is a major element of AT&T's global strategy for synchronous radio products,'' said Robert J. Sanferrare, vice president, AT&T Network Systems.

Headquartered in San Jose, Digital Microwave Corp. is a leading supplier of high performance short-haul transmission products to domestic and international markets.

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AT&T Network Systems
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DENVER (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - AIRCOA Hotel Partners L.P. (AMEX:AHT) announced Monday the sale of 620,000 newly issued Class A units for an

aggregate of $2,123,500, or $3.425 per unit.

The units have been purchased by Regal Hotel Management Inc., an affiliate of Aircoa Hospitality Services Inc., the general partner, for investment purposes. The proceeds of the sale will be used for working capital and for the repayment of maturing indebtedness.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Winners Circle Inc. (NASDAQ:WNRS), which does business as High Five Sportswear, Monday announced the completion of its first steps toward creating a nationwide sales representation force.

Winners Circle is a manufacturer of garments for the national corporate and promotional industry, and has previously sold its products only through the efforts of a two-person internal sales force located at its Los Angeles headquarters.

Lester D. Abrams, president of Winners Circle, pointed out that the company generated approximately $4 million in sales during its fiscal year ended Feb. 28, 1990, with only a small internal sales staff.

He went on to note that, although it is far too early to predict how quickly the company's new sales representatives will begin generating orders, especially in light of current economic conditions, the company's market share should begin to expand because of the increased coverage the developing sales force will afford.

Abrams said that the execution of Winners Circle's first territorial sales representation agreements with several outside groups will have a variety of beneficial effects. ''In the first place, there will simply be a lot more people out there selling our products,'' he stated.

''This is important in our business, since sales are generally based upon the development of close personal relationships, virtually day-to-day and face-to-face contact is needed.

''Even more important than the sheer number of sales personnel carrying our line is the fact that this first group of sales representatives includes people who have been selling large quantities of apparel and non-apparel promotional items to substantial purchasers for many years.

Winners Circle's core business involves the design, manufacture and sale of garments, including jackets, sweatshirts, sweatpants and T-shirts that carry

the logo, slogans or other promotional messages of customers, such as Paramount Home Video, the Disney Cos., Wells Fargo Bank, Motown Records, the Los Angeles Lakers, General Rent A Car, Warner Bros., BASF Corp. and a variety of ski companies, who use the company's products to enhance their image, sell their products and increase employee performance and morale.

The company's initial public offering was consummated in late July of 1990.

CONTACT: The Wall Street Financial Corp., Los Angeles
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SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - S.N.L. Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:SNLFA) reported that total assets of the corporation increased 4.15 percent to $211 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, from $203 million at Dec. 31, 1989.

S.N.L. Financial Corp. reported for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, a net income from operations of $300,000, or 11 cents per share. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989, the net income from operations was $2,264,000, or 87 cents per share.

Total net income excluding the accounting changes was $870,000, or 33 cents per share, for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1989. Revenues for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $19,353,000 and $18,309,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The company noted that total life sales, excluding annuities, have increased 9 percent over 1989's levels and the cemetery and mortuary revenues have increased 47 percent over the 1989 levels.

S.N.L. Financial Corp. reported net loss for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $(55,000), or (2 cents) per share, as compared to income of $1,231,000, or 47 cents per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989. Total net income, excluding the accounting changes, was $766,000, or 29 cents per share, for the three month period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Revenues for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $6,109,000 as compared to $6,201,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

A provision has been established for security losses of $300,000, a result of certain securities in which it has been deemed that the realization at sale or liquidation would be less than the carrying value.

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William L. Sargent or Scott M. Quist, 801/264-1060

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TUSTIN, CALIF. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Care Enterprises Inc. announced Monday that its board of directors has accepted a commitment from Smith Management Co. to purchase $3 million principal amount of Care's Convertible Secured Notes due Dec. 31, 1993 (''Notes'').

The Notes will bear interest at 1 percent above prime, payable through Sept. 30, 1992, at the option of the issuer, in shares of common stock. The Notes will be secured by a first mortgage lien on two skilled nursing facilities and may be converted into shares of common stock at the prevailing market price, subject to a negotiated floor and ceiling price.

If the Notes were fully converted and all interest was paid in shares of common stock through Sept. 30, 1992, an aggregate of between 3,236,000 and 4,685,000 shares of common stock would be issued, which, when added to the number of shares which Smith and its affiliates presently control, would amount to approximately 40 percent to 48 percent of the outstanding common stock of Care, on a post-effective basis.

In connection with its purchase of Notes, Smith Management has also agreed to provide Care with a $1 million line of credit. Advances will bear interest at 3 percent above prime and will mature on Dec. 31, 1993. The line of credit will be secured by the same properties as secure the Notes.

The transaction with Smith Management is subject to the effectiveness of Care's Plan of Reorganization, as well as approval by the United States Bankruptcy Court.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Hilton Hotels Corp. Monday announced sweeping changes in HHonors, its frequent traveler reward program.

With these changes, Hilton believes itself to be the first major hotel chain to reduce the costs associated with its program while increasing the flexibility provided to its members. Hilton is also shifting its program emphasis to better reward its core customers.

''Hilton's goal is to ensure the long-term viability of the HHonors program, because of its value to both the company and its customers. While other hotels

are eliminating their programs, we are committed to providing the benefits our customers have come to expect as long as it makes economic sense,'' says Mike Ribero, Hilton's senior vice president, marketing. ''These changes allow us to bring program economics to reasonable levels while also incorporating new benefits and enhancements at little or no incremental cost.''

A primary benefit of these changes is the unprecedented flexibility for all HHonors members. For example, members can now have hotel rewards issued to anyone of their choosing. They can also make their points go further through ''Point Stretcher'' rewards where certain hotels require less points during certain times of the year for a free stay.

And, if members need additional points to reach a desired reward level, they can use the Point Purchase Option to ''buy'' points with a check or credit card.

''Imagine that you want to take that dream vacation in August, but won't have enough points until November,'' says Ribero. ''Now Hilton's Point Stretchers and Point Purchase Option can help members take their rewards when they want them.''

As part of targeting its most frequent guests, Hilton's VIP HHonors program is introducing new rewards that provide entree to some of the world's most exclusive sporting and entertainment events like the Super Bowl, World Series, Academy Awards or Grammy Awards. Other perks include redeeming points for products like racing bicycles, all-expense-paid African safaris or discounts on European vacations.

Hilton Hotels Corp., a publicly owned international lodging company, owns, manages and franchises more than 260 hotels and resorts in major cities, suburban areas, airports, resort and gaming destinations worldwide.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Warner Technologies Inc. announced at its annual shareholder meeting of Nov. 19, 1990, that sales for the first fiscal quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990, were $815,102, yielding pretax profit of $9,033.

Sales and profit (loss) for the same period last year were $146,792 and $(161,774), respectively. Net worth increased to $248,544. Management emphasized that results obtained during any one period are not necessarily indicative of results which may be achieved over a full year or in the future.

Management also reviewed company operating results for the full fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, in which a net profit of $25,112 was reported on sales of $1,743,803.

Backlog of unfilled orders presently stands at approximately $1.4 million. In addition, the company has been advised that it has been selected to perform the installation of energy-efficient lighting systems for two municipalities in its New England territory. The total value of these contracts is estimated at approximately $965,000.

Contracts to begin installation will be executed once final approval has been obtained from the local utility company providing rebates to those municipalities.

Management highlighted various marketing and installation activities occurring through its new Northeast U.S. headquarters in Needham, Mass. In general, significant progress has been made toward building a new business base in that region, with a number of proposals for lighting projects having been provided to customers to date.

A copy of the company's most recent 10-Q Report may be obtained by contacting Thomas S. Hathaway at the company's executive offices. Warner Technologies designs energy-efficient lighting systems.

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DENVER (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Nevada Goldfields Corp. reported an unaudited after-tax loss of US$2,060,000, or 17 cents per share, on revenues of US$2,197,000 for the first fiscal quarter, ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This loss includes $792,000 in depreciation, depletion and amortization, and $1,254,000 in financial charges. Of the latter amount, $900,000 is non-cash expenses attributable to the early conversion of approximately 60 percent of the 10 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 1991, with the balance being interest expenses on bank and debenture borrowings.

Subject to the successful buyout of the $7 million term note, as previously announced, the bank interest expense will be eliminated.

The company sold 5,206 ounces of gold and 23,664 ounces of silver and had net operating revenues of $2,197,000. Operating expenses, including $477,000 of inventory adjustment, amounted to $1,877,000. Net cash provided by operating activities amounted to $326,000.

The company is proceeding with its debt reduction activities and 750 ounces of gold were delivered against the company's gold loan on Sept. 1, 1990. A further 750 ounces is being set aside for the gold loan payment due Dec. 1, 1990. A short term note for $250,000 was repaid during the quarter.

Nevada Goldfields Corp. is a Canadian public company with two gold mines in Nevada. Its shares trade on The Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol NGF, on NASDAQ under the symbol NGFCF, and on the Stuttgart Exchange, Germany, under the symbol NGF SG.

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - BMA Corp. (BMAC) reported that its wholly owned real estate subsidiary, Scout Development Corp., has sold its partnership interest in the Pine Ridge Business Parks located in Lenexa, Kan.

The transaction will result in a pre-tax profit of approximately $5 million. BMAC previously indicated that it intends to substantially reduce its real estate portfolio, in an orderly manner, over the next several years.

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GRANDVIEW, MO (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - North American Savings Bank Monday announced net earnings for the quarter ended Sept. 30 of $786,729, or 34 cents per share.

This compares to net income of $5,353,561, or $3.35 per share for the like period in the prior year. The fourth quarter earnings in 1989 included a $7.6 million gain, prior to applicable taxes, attributed to the sale of the bank's subsidiary, Premium Financing Specialists Inc.

The bank's fiscal year ended Sept. 30 reflected a net loss of $369,048, or 18 cents per share. This compares to a net income of $6,719,039, or $4.20 per share for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30. North American exceeds the current and fully phased-in capital requirements.

During the quarter, North American received approval from its stockholders to change its name from North American Savings Association to North American Savings Bank. This change was made to more accurately reflect the business generally being conducted by North American.

The bank's stock is traded through NASDAQ under the symbol NASB.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Guy F. Atkinson Company of California (NASDAQ:ATKN) Monday announced the promotions of Christine V. Braunlich and Larry L. Magelitz.

Chris Braunlich, 40, who was most recently treasurer, has been promoted to vice president--treasurer of the corporation. Braunlich has been with Atkinson for five years with responsibility for management of Atkinson's Treasury Department.

Larry Magelitz, 46, has been promoted to corporate vice president--accounting. Magelitz has been with Atkinson for 19 years, most recently as vice president--finance and administration with Atkinson's heavy civil construction operations.

Guy F. Atkinson Company of California is a diversified corporation with operations in construction, manufacturing, distribution of industrial pipe, and oil and gas exploration and development.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxtor Corp. (NASDAQ:MXTR) announced the appointment of Mark Fischer-Colbrie to the newly-created position of vice president of finance for its Maxtor California operation.

''Mark's appointment reflects the rapid growth of Maxtor Corp. worldwide,'' said Bert Moyer, president and chief operating officer of Maxtor California.

''Maxtor California is now focused to take advantage of our strengths in the 5.25-inch and high-end, 3.5-inch disk drive markets, including the world-class manufacturing capabilities we have demonstrated. We expect Mark's addition to the Maxtor California management team will further secure our position as the technology and market leader in the 1990s.''

In his new position, Fischer-Colbrie is responsible for financial, accounting and treasury activities at Maxtor California including its Singapore and

Penang, Malaysia, operations. Maxtor California's European and Far East sales and accounting offices are also part of his charter. He reports to Moyer and to Mike Kowalski, corporate vice president of finance.

Maxtor California designs and manufactures high-performance, high capacity 5.25-inch and 3.5-inch magnetic disk drives. With headquarters in San Jose and manufacturing operations in Singapore and Malaysia, it employs nearly 5,000 people worldwide.

A Maxtor Corp. employee since the company was founded, Fischer-Colbrie has been Maxtor's corporate controller for the past four years. A new corporate controller has yet to be named. Reporting to Fischer-Colbrie are K.T. Yip, Maxtor California Far East controller, and three assistant Maxtor California controllers.

Prior to Maxtor, Fischer-Colbrie was general accounts manager at Shugart Associates from 1979 to 1982. A Syracuse, N.Y., native, Fischer-Colbrie holds a bachelor of arts in history and German studies from Stanford University and a M.B.A. in finance and marketing from the University of California at Berkeley.

Maxtor Corp., San Jose, was founded in 1982. Maxtor designs and manufactures high-performance Winchester and optical data storage products in San Jose; Longmont, Colo; Singapore; Hong Kong and Malaysia. Its products range from 40MB to more than 2GB capacity and are designed for desktop and portable computer systems, workstations, local area networks and mainframes.

Maxtor employs more than 9,000 people worldwide.

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PALO ALTO, CALIF (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Watkins-Johnson Co. (NYSE:WJ) Monday announced its sixty-eighth consecutive quarterly cash dividend.

The company's board of directors declared a dividend of 12 cents per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, on all shares of record as of the close of business on Dec. 10, 1990.

Watkins-Johnson Co. is a diversified corporation specializing in defense-electronics manufacturing, commercial-equipment production and environmental-consulting services, with annual sales of more than $300 million.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Pay-Fone Systems Inc. (ASE:PYF), a national payroll service company, announced its first quarter revenues of $1,267,061 and net loss of $105,284, or 7 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, as compared to revenues of $1,420,042 and a net loss of $31,069 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Pay-Fone Systems Inc., founded in 1955, originated automated payroll processing by telephone and provides payroll checks and all necessary payroll tax returns and reports via client-controlled data transmitted by telephone.

Pay-Fone Systems Inc.
Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended 9/30/90	9/30/89
Operating revenues	$1,267,061	$1,420,042
Interest and investment income	27,179	30,849
Depreciation	90,653	107,783
Net income after provision for income taxes	(105,284)	(31,069)
Outstanding shares	1,506,133	1,506,133
Earnings (loss) per share (a)	(7 cents)	(2 cents)
Total assets	5,562,285	5,938,317
Current ratio	5.01	4.47
Net worth	4,970,916	5,247,283
Long term debt	--	--
Net book value per share	3.30	3.48

(a) Based on weighted average number of shares.

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DAYTON, OH (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. has announced a joint marketing agreement with LanVision of Cincinnati, for selling Statview, an image-based medical records application.

The five-year agreement allows LanVision to operate under an Independent Software Vendor relationship, receiving revenue credit for the software with NCR taking revenue credit for the hardware.

Statview is the first application ported to NCR's Document Management System

(DMS), an industry-standards based platform for high volume document imaging. The DMS platform consists of several NCR products, including a NCR System 3000 UNIX server, laser printers, scanners, optical disk units, and a NCR value-added Plexus developer's toolset as the system software.

The Statview application was developed in conjunction with medical records personnel from 16 of the largest hospitals in Ohio and surrounding states. LanVision's first site installation for Statview is the 450-bed University of Cincinnati Medical Center, where they are currently installing the first phase of a $2.5 million contract to implement image-based medical records hospital-wide.

''Of all the applications where document imaging is a necessity, medical records imaging represents the largest opportunity for cost justification,'' says Brian Patsy, president of LanVision. ''If hospitals want to reap the full return on their investment in imaging of medical records, then they must get that image out to the clinicians where they work.''

According to Patsy, the University of Cincinnati contract represents the expectation of an average sale of Statview and the associated NCR hardware.

The LanVision/NCR marketing agreement also incorporates NCR's ACCESS 2000 connectivity tools, which provide simultaneous windows into other hospital systems and remote physician sites for results reporting or patient demographics.

''The medical records focus of LanVision's Statview application and the connectivity offered by NCR's products will make this agreement beneficial to the healthcare market,'' said Michael A. Hax, acting director for NCR's healthcare industry marketing group.

''We entered this agreement because LanVision shares NCR's philosophy of an open systems architecture dedicated to a client server environment.''

NCR and LanVision participated jointly and introduced their respective products for healthcare imaging at the recent American Medical Record Association Convention (AMRA) in Seattle.

Feedback from several sources, including consultants attending AMRA, was positive. ''Statview's ease of use was viewed as an excellent tool for encouraging physicians and other health care providers to use such systems,'' said Deborah Kohn, DAK SYSTEMS.

''Incorporating NCR's ACCESS 2000 connectivity tools into the product is critical for expanding medical record images throughout the hospital and into other systems. The LanVision/NCR partnership demonstrates a commitment to providing quality information systems and service.''

NCR, based in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Travel Counselor Magazine, the publication for professional career travel agents, will appear this coming spring in a joint publishing venture by CMP Publications' Travel Group and ICTA, the Institute of Certified Travel Agents.

ICTA, with headquarters at Wellesley, Mass., is recognized throughout the travel industry for its leadership in establishing the only professional accreditation for travel agents and industry executives, known as Certified Travel Counselor (CTC).

The organization has graduated more than 13,000 CTC's, with an additional 7,000 agents currently enrolled in its accreditation program.

H. Wayne Berens, CTC, ICTA chairman said, ''We conducted a survey among ICTA's members, staff and management and determined that a need for Travel Counseler magazine does exist. We expect it to fill a vital market niche and become a key tool in the hands of professional travel counselers.''

Travel Counselor magazine will be edited under guidelines and direction of an ICTA Editorial Advisory Board led by CMP Travel Group editorial director Linda Ball, who also will serve as editor-in-chief of the new publication.

According to Ball, ''Travel Counselor will be a truly unique publication because, for the first time, travel agents will have a magazine that addresses their career. Most other travel publications tend not to go beyond the need for straight product information.

''Travel Counselor is completely different. Our editorial foucs will treat the profession as a career and address working with travel suppliers, as well as the personal and academic needs, ethical issues and the full range of topics that any career professional needs to succeed.''

ICTA president Dr. Judith Zacek, CTC, said, ''Part of ICTA's mission is to provide and maintain high industry standards through education. Travel Counselor magazine will be an important vehicle in helping fulfill our mission by reaching those travel counselors who are most serious about career growth.

Travel Counselor magazine will be published by CMP Publications' Travel Group,

which is located at Manhasset, N.Y. The group also publishes Tour & Travel News, Business Travel News, Tour & Travel Marketplace and a variety of specialized travel publications and supplements.

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CARROLLTON, TX (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Westcott Communications Inc. (NASDAQ:WCTV) and Electronic Data Systems Corp. have entered into a 10-year agreement effective from Oct. 1 which allows WCI's Automotive Satellite Television Network (ASTN) to be recieved on the GM Pulsat network which is expected to serve almost 10,000 GM dealerships.

Under the new agreement, WCI will market ASTN to members of the GM Pulsat network at a reduced fee of $265 per month. GM Pulsat members subscribing to ASTN will be able to receive programming immediately with no installation delay or capital outlay by WCI.

As part of the new agreement with EDS, WCI is paying EDS $1,690,000 for existing downlink equipment at GM dealerships. Such amount is payable to EDS over 14 months ending in November 1991 without interest. WCI will remove the downlink equipment as EDS installs GM Pulsat equipment and this equipment will be available for use in WCI's other networks.

In addition, WCI will pay EDS a GM Pulsat network access fee per subscribing dealer which will range from $50 to $75 per month depending on the method of payment of the ASTN subscription fee by the dealer and the number of GM Pulsat members subscribing to ASTN. However, no access fees for existing ASTN subscribers will be payable until Jan. 1, 1992.

Upon completion of the deployment of the GM Pulsat network (scheduled to begin in January of 1991 at a rate of 400 sites each month) and the existing Chrysler Dealer Network, almost 15,000 dealerships will be equipped with the necessary hardware to receive ASTN programming.

Carl Westcott said, ''The signing of this agreement confirms the EDS/GM long-term commitment to television as a superior means of communicating with the GM dealer body.''

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Thrifty Corp., a chain drug and sporting goods retailer, Monday announced the appointment of Eve A. Rich to head its flagship chain of Thrifty Drug stores.

Rich, 49, most recently was chairman and chief executive officer of the Los Angeles-based Contempo Casuals stores, a unit of The Neiman-Marcus Group Inc. She will serve as president of Thrifty Drug, which operates 577 drug stores located mainly in Southern California. Her appointment is effective Dec. 3.

''We are extremely pleased to acquire an executive with such experience, a successful track record in the retailing industry and extensive knowledge of the Southern California specialty retailing market,'' said Daniel A. Seigel, president and chief operating officer of Thrifty Corp., the parent of Thrifty Drug stores.

During the 10 years Rich led Contempo, the women's fashion retailer grew from a regional chain of 28 stores to a national company of 241 stores.

''Her proven abilities in understanding markets, motivating employees and managing retail operations will be valuable skills as we work to improve operations at Thrifty Drug stores,'' said Leonard H. Straus, Thrifty Corp. chairman.

Rich fills a vacancy created last August when Richard G. Eils left the company to pursue other interests. Rich will report to Seigel.

Thrifty Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Pacific Enterprises (NYSE:PET), a $7 billion holding company that is also based in Los Angeles. Pacific Enterprises' other subsidiaries include the Los Angeles-based Southern California Gas Co., the nation's largest natural gas utility, and Pacific Enterprises Oil Co., a leading domestic oil and gas exploration company with headquarters in Dallas.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Paul M. Harris, chairman of the board of Guardian Bancorp (ASE:GB), announced Monday that the board of directors has authorized a 5-for-4 stock split.

The stock split will be effective for all shareholders of record on Dec. 10, 1990, and new certificates will be issued on or about Dec. 24, 1990.

Existing stock certificates will remain valid and outstanding.

No fractional shares will be issued. Instead, the company will distribute cash to each shareholder in lieu of fractional shares on the basis of the closing price of the stock on the record date.

Guardian Bancorp is the holding company of Guardian Bank, which has its head office at 800 South Figueroa St., Los Angeles.

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MENLO PARK, CA (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Informix Corp., (NASDAQ:IFMX) and ASCII Corp. Monday announced that ASCII has made a five percent equity investment in Informix.

ASCII distributes Informix's UNIX-based data management and Wingz software in Japan.

''ASCII and Informix have had a long-term relationship for more than seven years. The success that they have had with our products has made the Japanese market a very important one for Informix,'' said Phil White, CEO of Informix.

''Their investment in Informix enahances our relationship and enables us to take full advantage of ongoing opportunities in the Japanese market. It also complements the 10 percnet investment that Informix made last year in ASCII Information Systems (AIS), an ASCII subsidiary involved in systems integration in Japan.''

Under the terms of the agreement, ASCII will purchase from Informix five percent, or 671,833 shares of the company's common stock at $10 per share, for a total purchase price of approximately $6.7 million. The agreement contains limitations on the number of additional shares ASCII can acquire in the future.

''ASCII and Informix have been strategic business partners for more than seven years and we are fully commited to Informix's information management technology,'' said Mr. Kay Nishi, president, ASCII Corp. ''We are pleased to further cement this relationship to build a strong presence in the client/server database wars.''

ASCII is leading the Japanese and Asian markets in contributing to the growth of open systems computing. As part of that movement, ASCII has played a key role in linking Informix with significant value-added resellers and hardware manufacturers.

For example, through ASCII, Informix recently agreed with Fujitsu to jointly

develop OS/2-based versions of Informix's high performance database engine and application development tools.

ASCII was the first company to distribute UNIX-based relational database technology in Japan after selecting Informix software products in 1983. This long-term relationship has contributed to Informix's current leadership position in the Japanese UNIX database market.

ASCII Corp., headquartered in Tokyo, was founded in 1977. It has six divisions, including the System Software Division, which has the strategic relationship with Informix. ASCII's 1989 revenues approximated in U.S. dollars were more than $200 million.

Informix Software Inc., the wholly owned subsidiary of Informix Corp., is a leading supplier of information management software providing solutions from the database through the desktop.

Informix products include powerful distributed database management systems, robust application development tools, and graphical- and character-based productivity software for delivering information to every significant desktop platform.

With corporate headquarters in Menlo Park, Informix has European headquarters in London, and Asia/Pacific headquarters in Singapore.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Kids and candy are as much a part of the holiday season as Santa and his reindeer.

But for thousands of Philadelphia youngsters, there's little hope of over-stuffed stockings as this season unfolds.

Whitman's Chocolates, a Philadelphia tradition since 1842, is beginning what it hopes will become another Philadelphia tradition, a special holiday party for hundreds of the city's disadvantaged youngsters.

Two hundred boys and girls, some living in shelters for the homeless, will be special guests of Whitman's at the party to be held at 1 p.m. Saturday Dec. 1, at the candy maker's Northeast Philadelphia headquarters.

''All children are entitled to having a festive holiday season, but that obviously doesn't happen,'' explains Jay G. Shoemaker, Whitman's president.

''As a member of the Philadelphia community, this is the least we can do to make the holiday season a little brighter for some very deserving youngsters.''

Whitman's employees, who annually gather for a company holiday party, will be making a personal gift to every boy and girl at the event.

The party, which is being sponsored with the help of the Urban Coalition, of which Shoemaker is a board member, features special appearances by the likes of Santa, Frosty and the Philadelphia Police Department special puppet players. This will be the first time the puppets take to their new stage, which is being specially constructed by Whitman's employees.

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CARROLLTON, TX (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Westcott Communications Inc. (NASDAQ:WCTV) Monday announced that it had entered into an agreement in principle to acquire American Heat Video Productions Inc., for an aggregate consideration of approximately $3.2 million payable $2.5 million in cash at the closing of the acquisition and the remainder one year from the closing.

Consummation of the acquisition of American Heat is subject to the negotiation and execution of a definitive agreement, the completion to WCI's satisfaction of a detailed review of the business operations and financial condition of American Heat, the receipt of necessary consents, waivers and approvals from governmental authorities, lenders and others, and certain other conditions.

American Heat, based in St. Louis, produces and distributes on a subscription basis training material on video cassettes to over 2,300 fire departments throughout the United States. American Heat's unaudited operating results reflect revenues of $1,700,000 and net income of $371,000 for the eight months ended Aug. 31.

WCI recently announced the formation of a television network to serve fire departments and emergency personnel via satellite. Carl Westcott said, ''The acquisition of American Heat will enable WCI to serve fire departments of all sizes and provide existing relationships with over 2,300 fire departments which will accelerate our entry into marketing WCI satellite-delivered services to fire departments.''

Westcott Communications is a business communications company operating the Automobile Satellite Television Network and the Law Enforcement Television Network. Its stock is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol WCTV.

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ALBANY, NY (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Trans World Music Corp. (TWMC) Monday reported third quarter sales of $74,432,000 and net income of $992,000, or $.11 per share.

For the nine month year-to-date period the Company reported sales of $218,187,000 and net income of $5,042,000, or $.56 per share. Earnings per share of $.11 for the third quarter compares to $.21 per share for the same quarter of the prior year, which included an after-tax charge of $.06 per share for closed stores.

For the year-to-date period, earnings per share of $.55 compares to $.36 per share for the prior year, which included after-tax charges totaling $.23 per share for litigation expense and closed stores.

Store sales in the third quarter were increased by 87 new store openings, including 40 openings in the third quarter. Sluggish economic conditions, particularly in the Northeast, caused comparable store sales to trend downward in the third quarter, resulting in an overall 1 percent increase.

Thirty Saturday Matinee video-for-sale stores were opened during the quarter, bringing the total to 59 stores. Also, after the close of the third quarter, but prior to the Thanksgiving weekend, the Company opened 22 additional music and video stores and still expects to end the year with approximately 550 stores.

Gross profit margins improved in both the quarter and year-to-date periods, as a result of shrinkage control programs and a slight improvement in markdowns. Selling, general and administrative expenses in both the quarter and year-to-date periods were affected by incremental start-up costs for opening the new stores and completed during early November.

Trans World Music is one of the largest specialty retailers of prerecorded music and video products operating stores under several distinct store formats throughout the eastern half of the United States. The Company operates retail stores under several names including Record Town, Tape World, Coconuts, and Saturday Matinee, and may be found in large regional malls, freestanding and strip center locations.

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WEST WARWICK, RI (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Astro-Med Inc., (NASDAQ:ALOT) reports net income of $591,000, equal to 18 cents per common share, on sales of $6,845,000, for the third quarter, which ended Oct. 27, 1990.

These results represent a record in both sales and earnings for any third quarter in the history of the company. During the corresponding quarter of the prior year, the company had net income of $450,000, equal to 14 cents per common share, on sales of $5,659,000.

For the current nine-month period, the company reports net income of $1,464,000, equal to 45 cents per common share, on sales of $19,945,000. During the corresponding period of the prior year, net income was $1,306,000, equal to 40 cents per common share, on sales of $17,027,000.

Sales increased by 21 percent over the corresponding quarter of last year, while earnings per share increased by 29 percent. In the current quarter, gross profit margins increased to 51 percent from the 49 percent level of last year.

According to Albert W. Ondis, chief executive officer, ''Sales of our products particularly those introduced most recently, were strong in all markets. Export sales rose to 15.9 percent of total sales, up from 11.7 percent last year, underscoring the growing importance of our export markets.

''With strong incoming orders, we expect to post further gains in the fourth quarter, to make the current fiscal year the best in the history of Astro-Med.''

Astro-Med is a leading manufacturer of high speed specialty printers employed in the aerospace, industrial, medical, scientific and educational fields.

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NORTH VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLOMBIA (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - As of Nov. 21, 1990, National Fuelcorp Limited has been listed on the OTC Market.

National Feulcorp Limited is also pleased to announce that in cooperation with Natural Gas Resources-Southern Union and Texaco, Fuelcorp now has a contract to install the first public self-serve style natural gas high speed automotive dispensing system in Texas.

Fuelcorp's dispensers will be equipped with a remote reader for the ease of the station operators. This Austin installation is scheduled for opening on

Dec. 15, 1990.

In a landslide victory Garry Mauro has been re-elected the Commissioner of the Texas General Land Commission -- his clean air legislation (already passed) is aimed at automotive exhaust and the ''states'' clear choice is natural gas.

Recently the President of the United States, George Bush, has signed the new Federal Clean Air Act. The legislation significantly reduces air pollution over a set period. Fuelcorp, as a result, should directly benefit from this legislation.

Because of the adverse publicity surrounding the V.S.E. emanating from the televised documentary and coupled with the huge push for clean air in the United States, Fuelcorp's corporate decision is to obtain greater access to the U.S. marketplace.

Fuelcorp directors will return to Texas early in December to attend the official opening of this very special station. The company has also arranged to enter further negotiations with two Texas organizations.

National Fuelcorp Limited constructs and manufactures natural gas filing bars at service stations for automobiles. The company also franchises conversion centers to convert cars from regular gasoline to natural gas.

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FORT WASHINGTON, PA. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Greenwich Pharmaceuticals Inc. announced the departure of John A. Scarlett, M.D., vice president of clinical research, and Richard E. Kruger, Ph.D., vice president of pre-clinical development.

Dr. Scarlett, whose contract expires at the end of the year, will leave effective Dec. 31 to join Novo Nordisk as senior vice president, medical and scientific affairs. Dr. Kruger resigned on Nov. 15 to pursue his own consulting firm.

''Both Dr. Scarlett and Dr. Kruger have greatly contributed to the company's clinical and pre-clinical programs,'' said Edwin R. Thompson, president and chief executive officer of Greenwich.

Thompson added, ''The clinical development of our first drug, THERAFECTIN

(amiprilose HCl) is in excellent shape. Our pre-clinical program, which involves the development of the company's new compounds, has never been stronger. We do not expect the departure of these two individuals to disrupt either our clinical or pre-clinical activities nor the preparation of the THERAFECTIN New Drug Application (NDA).''

Greenwich Pharmaceuticals is a development stage company in business to identify, develop and market synthetic carbohydrate drugs for the treatment of chronic inflammatory diseases.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Aptix Corp. (formerly Connectus Corp.), a start-up firm conceived to develop, manufacture and market field-programmable integrated solutions for component interconnects, has raised $8.4 million in its initial round of financing.

Principal investors include the Sprout Group and Kleiner, Perkins, Caulfield & Byers. Additional Aptix first-round investors include Glenwood Ventures; Mayfield Associates; Institutional Venture Partners; Shaw Ventures; Hill Carman, Kirby and Washing; Advanced Technology Ventures; Equity Venture Capital; and KME Venture Capital.

Initial applications of the funds raised in this first round of financing will be devoted to product development, said Dr. Amr Mohsen, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Aptix.

Stated Mohsen: ''We here at Aptix have a very exciting mission. This initial funding allows the company to concentrate on developing component interconnect technologies that enable systems designers to achieve greater control and flexibility in the systems design process.''

According to Mohsen, the successful first-round capitalization was achieved because the venture capital community viewed Aptix' market thrust as very exciting. ''The component interconnect arena is an area that appears to be ripe for innovation,'' said Keith Geeslin, general partner of the Sprout Group.

Aptix also announced the appointments of Geeslin and Lacroute to its board of directors. The board of directors currently includes Mohsen; Doug Broyles, general partner, Glenwood Ventures; Dr. Frederico Faggin, president and chief executive officer, Synaptics; Dr. Carver Mead, professor of computer science and electrical engineering, California Institute of Technology; and Dr. Richard Newton, professor of computer science, University of California, Berkeley.

Aptix was founded in 1989 by Amr Mohsen, founder and former president and chief executive officer of Actel Corp. The company is located at 225 Charcot, San Jose, Calif. 95131. Telephone, 408/428-6200.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Toshiba America MRI Inc. announced Monday that it has received 510(K) notification from the FDA on three of its Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) products, allowing the company to market its MRT-150A system, MRT-50A version 10 software and Advanced C-Spine Coil systems for the MRT-35 in the United States.

''The MRT-150A high-field and MRT-50A mid-field systems utilize Toshiba's pioneering research in superconductive magnets and 3D imaging, giving medical professionals the ability to use MRI in new areas, such as cardiac diagnoses and pre-surgical neurological studies. We're very excited about the life-saving potential of these new diagnostic systems,'' said Kiyotaka Asahina president of Toshiba America MRI.

The Advanced C-Spine Coil completes Toshiba's line of spinal diagnostic tools used in its MRI systems.

Toshiba America MRI, based in South San Francisco, developed these new systems in conjunction with the University of California San Francisco's Radiologic Imaging Lab and other research institutions in the United States.

Toshiba, with over 550 MRI systems installed worldwide, has the largest installed base of mid-field systems.

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SIMI VALLEY, CA (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - PerfectData Corp. (Additional NASDAQ:PERF) Monday announced that it has acquired the assets of Coverware Co. of San Diego.

Coverware is a manufacturer of high-quality computer and office equipment dust

covers.

Robert Muller, former president of Coverware, will join PerfectData as product manager and continue to operate the manufacturing side of the business. Miller stated: ''PerfectData is the best distributor for Coverware products we could find. We look forward to being a part of their product line.''

Lee R. Mannheimer, president of PerfectData, said, ''We look to the Coverware product line to expand our horizons, and also add to our mix additional innovative products, which are now under development.''

PerfectData is a leading designer, wholesaler and marketer of media maintenance equipment and aftermarket supplies and accessories sold under the PerfectData brand name.

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SPARTANBURG, SC (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - TW Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ:TWFS) Monday announced that it has completed a $12.5 million mortgage financing of the company's headquarters building and a $6.1 million sale/leaseback of 11 new Hardee's restaurants in Ohio and Tennessee.

Proceeds of these transactions will be used to pay the remaining $17 million balance on the bridge portion of senior bank debt at maturity on Nov. 30, 1990 and for general working capital.

TW Services, which became a wholly owned subsidiary of TW Holdings on Dec. 6, 1989, is the fourth largest food service company in the United States based on 1989 revenues of $3.5 billion.

The company is engaged in contract food and vending services, recreational services and restaurant operations through its Canteen, Hardee's, Quincy's, Denny's and El Pollo Loco business units.

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THE HAGUE, NETHERLANDS (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - AEGON (NASDAQ: AEGNY), the

international insurance group, Monday announced improved financial results for the first nine months of 1990.

Net income increased by 14.3 percent from Dfl 346.4 million to Dfl 396.1 million ($213 million (a)). As mentioned in AEGON's second quarter results announcement, the effect of windstorm damage claims on net income was about Dfl 16 million. Excluding the effect of currency exchange rate changes, the gain in net income would have been 17.5 percent.

With the number of shares increased by the rights issue of May, 1989, earnings per common share rose by 6.5 percent from Dfl 8.77 to Dfl 9.34 ($5.02). Without the storm damage, the increase in net income per share for the first nine months of 1990 would have been 10.8 percent. Excluding the impact of exchange rate fluctuations, net income per share rose by 9.5 percent.

Compared to the first nine months of 1989, consolidated revenues rose by 4.8 percent from Dfl 9,086 million to Dfl 9,519 million ($5,112 million). Excluding currency exchange rate influences, revenues rose by 10.8 percent. Annuity deposits - not included in consolidated revenues - rose by 13.3 percent from Dfl 1,734 million to Dfl 1,965 million ($1,055 million).

In the first nine months of 1990, revenues of the Dutch insurance operations showed further growth, benefitting especially from higher life insurance premium income and interest. Revenues from accident and health and general insurance operations remained at virtually the same level as last year.

The Dutch insurance operations considerably increased their net income contribution. Group Life and Individual Life, as well as accident and health insurance, showed significant growth. In the first nine months of 1990, earnings from general insurance operations lagged behind, but were nevertheless positive. The negative effect of the claims caused by storm damage was offset by positive earnings development in the second and third quarter.

Compared to the first nine months of 1989, the Friesch-Groningsche Hypotheekbank (FGH Bank) reported improved results, particularly in its Dutch operations.

Revenues of AEGON USA showed a considerable increase in dollar terms. However, in guilder terms, revenues rose more moderately. Total US revenues also include revenues of the Home Service Division purchased from Washington National earlier this year. Revenues from both life insurance and health insurance increased compared to the first nine months of 1989.

(a) - Dollar equivalents are translated solely for reader convenience: Dfl 1.7645 (closing rate)

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AGOURA HILLS, CA (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Fortune Petroleum Corp. (NASDAQ:FPEX) reported Monday an increase in revenues of $112,000 (49 percent) and $59,000 (8 percent) for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared with the same 1989 periods.

The company realized a net income of $88,000, or 7 cents per share, and incurred a loss of $41,000, or 3 cents per share, respectively, for the three-months and nine-months periods ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The primary cause of the increase in revenues was the rise in oil prices to an average of $21.62 (36 percent) per barrel for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $15.93 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

During the previous quarter ended June 30, 1990, the average price received by Fortune was $13.80 per barrel. Gas production was slightly lower in the last quarter due to mechanical problems associated with its gas processing plant.

Dan Pasquini, president, stated he is encouraged with the activities in which the company is now involved. It is hoped that the acquisition of all the oil and gas interests of Fairbanks and Haas Inc. can be finalized prior to year end. Also the company owns an 8 percent working interest in a well recently drilled in Montebello on a 500 acre land block.

This well has resumed testing in excess of 130 barrels of oil per day. Fortune is currently enjoying an average price of $27 per barrel for its produced crude. ''Things have taken a turn to the brighter side and it is hoped the company can continue this positive trend,'' commented Pasquini.

Fortune Petroleum is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with its principal properties located in California.

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MARLBORO, MASS. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Stratus Computer Inc. Monday announced two products that are designed to enhance the high-volume flow of critical online business information between diverse computers, software applications, and proprietary and industry-standard networks.

The first, Network Express, helps link dissimilar proprietary hardware, software, and networking platforms; the second, OSI Server, establishes a

platform for the development of applications that comply with the Open Systems Interconnect (OSI) model of the International Standards Organization (ISO). OSI is the emerging standard that defines communication between hardware and software products from different manufacturers.

Network Express is a software product originally developed and marketed for Stratus systems by Scientific Software Inc. of Atlanta. Under a new original equipment manufacturer (OEM) agreement, the product will now be marketed exclusively by Stratus.

Network Express addresses the absence of a single industry data communications programming standard that is fully implemented. It helps companies unite previously incompatible computers into a single online transaction processing environment. Under the new agreement, the product's local area and wide area networking capabilities will be extended. In addition, Network Express will be enhanced to support Stratus' OSI Server product, enabling businesses to link their proprietary networks with industry-standard OSI networks.

Release 2.0 of Stratus' OSI Server software product enables application developers to write OSI-compliant applications for both local area and wide area networked computers. It extends the capabilities of the product's first release, which was designed only for wide area network applications.

Both Network Express and OSI Server are designed for use on Stratus' XA2000 Continuous Processing Systems.

Stratus Computer Inc. is a leading supplier of fault-tolerant computer systems for critical online applications, such as online transaction processing and online data communications and telecommunications. The company offers the broadest range of fault-tolerant systems and maintains the highest standard for computer reliability.

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SAN ANTONIO (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Builders Design Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol:BDNI, BSE symbol:BDI) Monday announced it has entered into a letter of intent to acquire New Era Interiors Inc., a privately-owned, Phoenix-based company which markets and sells floor coverings to residential and commercial builders in three locations in Arizona and Southern California.

Jack Cook, president of Builders Design, stated that New Era would be acquired entirely for stock and that the number of shares of Builders Design common

stock to be issued in the transaction would be determined after completion of a financial and accounting review by the parties.

Cook also stated that the proposed transaction is subject to the negotiation and execution of a definitive acquisition agreement and to obtaining any necessary regulatory and other consents and approvals.

Tbrough its Phoenix-based wholly-owned subsidiary, Letco Inc., Builders Design markets and sells floor, wall and window coverings to residential and commercial builders and on a retail basis through nine stores located in Arizona and California.

Cook explained that the combination of the Letco and New Era operations was expected to provide marketing and sales opportunitities which would result from their combined market share as well as other benefits from economies of scale.

Builders Design Covertible Preferred Stock, Redeemable Common Stock Purchase Warrants and Class A Redeemable Common Stock Purchase Warrants are also traded in the over-the-counter market.

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BEAVERTON, ORE. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Cadre Technologies Inc. Monday introduced teamwork/4.0 to give software and systems engineers the most complete, open and robust Computer-Aided Software Engineering (CASE) tools for C, Ada and C+ + applications development.

Cadre's CASE products address each phase of the software development process from initial specifications to implementation and are complemented by advanced testing capabilities throughout the entire life cycle.

An extensive array of leading-edge products and enhancements in teamwork/4.0 expands the teamwork family of highly modular, yet tightly integrated, high-performance software analysis, design, coding and reverse engineering products. The new additions include teamwork/SIM for dynamic modeling and real-time simulation; teamwork/C Rev for reverse engineering C code; teamwork/DSE, an Ada design-sensitive editor; expanded object-oriented analysis (OOA) support; heterogeneous network support: a new teamwork/DPI Document Production Interface; and a major new release of PathMap.

''Teamwork/4.0 is the most comprehensive concept-to-code solution available for Ada, C and object-oriented developers today,'' said David Dayton, Cadre's executive vice president. ''Teamwork/4.0 delivers the tools developers need to

increase productivity and improve product quality at each stage of the development process. At the same time it offers multiple entry points into CASE for organizations who want to take advantage of CASE but may not be starting a new product.

''Cadre is committed to protecting our customers' existing investment while providing them with a strategic and technological foundation for future growth of their software engineering environments.''

The introduction of teamwork/4.0 is an integral part of Cadre's Unified CASE solutions strategy. Unified CASE provides users with a tightly integrated, modular product line to support the technical and embedded software and systems development life cycle.

Cadre Technologies provides a family of CASE products for software development and integration from concept through code with testing throughout and with specific test solutions for the embedded market. Cadre also provides a full set of product and methods training based upon widely adopted analysis and design methodologies.

Headquartered in Beaverton, with a division in Providence, R.I., Cadre has more than 15,000 installations internationally and a customer base that includes Boeing, General Electric, Eastman Kodak, Federal Express, Lloyds Band and Philips.

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BOISE, IDAHO (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Albertson's Inc. (NYSE/PSE:ABS) announced record sales of $2.02 billion for the 13 weeks ended Nov. 1, 1990, an increase of 9.7 percent over the $1.84 billion for the same quarter last year. During the period identical store sales increased 4.4 percent.

Earnings for the third quarter increased 20.7 percent to $55.8 million or 42 cents per share compared to $46.3 million, or 35 cents per share last year.

Sales for the 39 week period were $6.11 billion, an increase of 11.4 percent over the $5.48 billion for the same period last year. Earnings were $159.9 million, an increase of 17.3 percent over the $136.3 million for the same period last year. Earnings per share were $1.20 compared to $1.02 last year.

For the 39 weeks, gross margin was 23.11 percent compared to 22.72 percent for the same period last year. This improvement was due primarily to efficiencies realized from new distribution centers. Operating and administrative expenses, as a percent to sales, increased to 18.89 percent from 18.67 percent.

Warren E. McCain, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated, ''We are pleased with the third quarter results. Our gross margin increased due to a strengthening of the company's retail gross margin and contributions from our new distribution centers. We will continue to invest in building our identical store sales and continue with the cost containment programs we have in place for all
our expense categories.''

During the quarter five new stores were opened for a total of 19 new stores for the nine months. Eighteen stores have been closed during the first nine months as the company continues its program of weeding out small stores and unproductive stores. The company anticipates opening 33 stores during 1990.

Remodels were completed on seven stores during the quarter for a total of 23 completed for the nine months. For the year, the company expects to complete 38 remodels.

At Nov. 1, 1990, the company operated 524 stores in 16 western and southern states.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Interleaf Inc. has signed a cooperative software agreement with IBM.

In the agreement, Interleaf authorizes IBM representatives to market Interleaf publishing software for the IBM RISC System/6000. Interleaf will set prices, terms and conditions for its software.

Mark Ruport, Interleaf's senior vice president of sales and marketing said, ''We are finding an enormous demand worldwide for our publishing software on the IBM RISC System/6000, and our agreement with IBM will enable Interleaf and IBM to respond even more effectively to this demand. We are delighted with the deepening of our relationship with IBM.''

The RISC System/6000 family, announced by IBM in February, provides powerful computing performance at competitive prices.

Interleaf active publishing technology provides full solutions for accessing

information, transforming it into text and graphics, distributing it electronically or on paper, and managing the flow of documents and information. Users can create text and graphic documents and can import data into Interleaf publishing software from popular word processors, PC's, computer-aided design (CAD) systems, scanners and mainframes.

Interleaf publishing software automatically hyphenates and spell checks in 13 languages, and supports European paper sizes, keyboard layouts, and character sets.

With 31 sales offices in the United States and Canada, and subsidiaries and distributors in Europe, Latin America, and Asia/Pacific, Interleaf has more than 50,000 users.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - James B. Farley, chairman and chief executive officer, of Mutual Of New York (MONY) has announced the appointment of Richard Daddario to chief financial officer of the financial organization.

Daddario will report directly to Farley.

Daddario, 43, came to MONY in 1989 as senior vice president and corporate controller, and was responsible for corporate accounting, which included financial reporting, investment accounting and the cost management area.

Prior to joining MONY, Daddario was vice president and corporate controller of Primerica Corp., a financial services and specialty retailing company, which he joined in 1985. He was previously with the Hartford Insurance Group, The Travelers Insurance Group and was senior audit manager at Arthur Andersen & Co.

Daddario graduated from the University of Hartford with a M.S. in Accounting and a B.S. in Economics and Finance. He is also a Certified Public Accountant. Daddario and his wife, Patricia, have two children and reside in Wilton, Conn.

In business since 1843, Mutual Of New York (MONY) sold the nation's first mutual life insurance policy. Today, MONY has nearly $22 billion in assets under management, and is an industry leader in providing outstanding and innovative insurance, pension and investment products and services to more than one million policyholders and customers.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - James B. Farley, chairman and chief executive officer, of Mutual Of New York (MONY) has announced the promotion of K. Rone Baldwin to senior vice president, responsible for Corporate Development.

Baldwin will continue to report to Farley.

Baldwin joined MONY in 1989 as vice president, Corporate Development, responsible for directing and coordinating strategic planning activities, and for developing new business growth opportunities for MONY.

Previously, Baldwin was a vice president in Mergers and Acquisitions at Goldman, Sachs & Co. in New York City. Prior to that he was a principal at Booz, Allen & Hamilton Inc., working in the New York and Tokyo offices.

Baldwin earned his M.B.A. from Harvard Business School, and a B.A. in Physics from Amherst College. He and his wife Carol have a daughter and reside in Manhattan.

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CANTON, MA (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Hills Department Stores, Inc. (HDS/NYSE) today announced its third quarter operating results for the period ended November 3, 1990.

Sales for the quarter ended November 3, 1990 increased 5.9 percent to $557.7 million from $526.8 million for the corresponding period a year ago. Same store sales increased 1.7 percent on a fiscal basis during this period. Same store sales on a comparable calendar basis, adjusting for a 53-week year in 1989, were up 4.7 percent for the quarter. The Company reported an operating profit of $24.0 million as compared to $31.5 million the year before.

After interest and non-cash charges, Hills reported a net loss of $4.0 million in the 1990 third quarter, or $0.21 per share versus net income of $2.2

million, or $0.11 per share in the same period last year. John Brouillard, newly appointed President and Chief Operating Officer, commented, ''Sales increased for the third quarter; however, our margins were under pressure from the cost of expanded promotion and the recent sluggish retail environment.''

Senior management changes also were announced by the Company. John C. Brouillard, (42), formerly Executive Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer, has been promoted to President and Chief Operating Officer and has also been named to the Company's Board of Directors. Mr. Brouillard has been a member of Hills' senior management team for the past thirteen years. Stephen A. Goldberger, (47), has resigned as Chairman of the Board, President, Chief Executive Officer and a director of the Company, to pursue other opportunities.

Thomas H. Lee, (46), a director of Hills since 1985, has been elected Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Lee is President of Thomas H. Lee Company, a Boston-based private investment firm which manages capital in excess of $1.7 billion, and is engaged in providing debt and equity financing for leveraged acquisitions and recapitalizations. Mr. Lee is Hills' largest common stockholder.

In a separate action, the Company also named Norman Matthews, (57), to the Company's Board of Directors. Mr. Matthews, formerly President of Federated Department Stores and Chairman of the Gold Circle discount division, is currently a retail consultant.

The Company also announced that it has finalized a revised bank agreement with its existing bank group. Mr. Brouillard noted, ''We are gratified by the show of support by our bank group, and are pleased to have completed this recent amendment.''

Hills Department Stores, Inc. is a discount store chain, operating in 14 states, with 214 locations compared with 204 stores a year ago.

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DENVER (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - United Airlines (NYSE:UAL) Monday plans to operate 100 percent of its scheduled flights at Denver Stapleton International Airport and anticipates normal operations throughout its system.

Since the fuel tank fires at Stapleton Sunday, United has made alternate

arrangements for obtaining fuel including carrying extra fuel on flights into Denver. Because of these actions, United expects minimal inconvenience for its passengers and no significant delays or cancellations at Denver Stapleton Monday.

Passengers holding reservations on United flights need not reconfirm their reservations. United operates 185 departures daily in Denver.

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HIGHLAND PARK, ILL. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The world's first private practice Positron Emmission Tomography (PET) medical imaging system has been installed at the Greenberg Radiology Institute.

The most advanced medical imaging system available today, PET uses short-lived radioisotopes to provide metabolic information about the brain, heart and other organs. Most other imaging techniques can only provide anatomic information.

There are a handful of PET systems currently operating worldwide, all at major university hospitals and medical research centers.

PET provides in-vivo biochemical information uniquely valuable in assessing tissue viability in heart disease for bypass surgery candidates, and tumors for treatment planning.

PET is also useful is the differentiation of dementias such as Alzheimer's disease, for many psychiatric disorders, and for assessing pre-surgical focal epilepsy candidates.

''Unlike much conventional imaging instrumentation, PET is a revolutionary diagnostic imaging device that visualizes and quantifies dynamic function, making it an ideal modality for the diagnosis and management of certain cardiovascular and cerebral diseases,'' said Greenberg, Institue founder and chairman Irving M. Greenbery, M.D.

Designed in 1983, the Greenberg Radiology Institute, comprised of 70,000 square-feet, situated on an eight-acre campus 25 miles north of Chicago, is one of the largest free-standing radiology clinics in the world. The Greenberg practice was the first to introduce mobile CAT scanning and the first Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) service in the Midwest.

The newly installed Siemens ECAT PET System includes the scanning unit and

console, and a state-of-the-art computer for processing the images.

Siemens is the world's largest medical electronics supplier, and is recognized as the leader in developing high-technology diagnostic imaging systems for healthcare.

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MELROSE, MASS. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Armatron International Inc. (AMEX:ART) Monday reported net income of $349,000 or $0.14 per share on sales of $7,195,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net income from the corresponding period of a year ago was

$359,000 on sales of $10,993,000 or $0.14 per share.

Net income for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $676,000 or $0.27 per share on sales of $32,469,000. Net income for the corresponding period a year ago was $1,410,000 or $0.55 per share on sales of $41,064,000.

Armatron International Inc.
Financial Highlights
(unaudited)

	Three months ended Sept. 30, 1990	Three months ended Sept. 30, 1989
Net sales	$ 7,195,000	$10,993,000
Income before income taxes and extraordinary item	$ 410,000	$ 574,000
Provision for income taxes	$ 123,000	$ 118,000
Income before extraordinary item	$ 287,000	$ 456,000
Extraordinary item - utilization of net operating loss carryforward	$ 62,000	$ (97,000)
Net income	$ 349,000	$ 359,000
Per share: Income before extraordinary item	$ .11	$ .18
Extraordinary item	$ .03	$ (.04)
Net income	$ .14	$ .14
Weighted avg. no. of shares	2,540,871	2,540,871

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - W. R. Grace & Co. Monday announced that it has received approval from the Environmental Protection Agency for use of a naturally occurring beneficial fungus as a new biological control for two plant diseases. A subsidiary of Grace was earlier granted an exclusive license by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service (ARS) for its use.

A strain of Gliocladium virens, discovered and researched in U.S. Department of Agriculture laboratories, was approved as a greenhouse biological control for two diseases that cost growers more than $1 billion a year. It is the first biocontrol fungus approved to control a plant disease in the U.S. ARS invented and patented the technology for formulating Gliocladium into easily applied pellets. Grace, working in cooperation with ARS scientists, further developed the technology.

''Almost any seed or seedling is vulnerable to attack by these fungi, which can destroy 10 to 30 percent of a crop,'' said Robert D. Lumsden, plant pathologist with the federal research agency. Among damping off's victims: geraniums, snapdragons, chrysanthemums, celosia, poinsettias, cotton, corn, beans and soybeans.

In tests done by Lumsden and ARS plant pathologist James C. Locke, Gliocladium reduced--by 80 to 95 percent--plant loss caused by the fungi, results similar to those obtained with chemical fungicides.

The scientists hope that, by selecting better strains of the fungus or improving the nutrients in the pellet, the biocontrol can consistently reduce damage by 95 to 100 percent.

Today's approval allows Gliocladium's use on any plants grown in a greenhouse--including ornamentals and edibles like tomatoes, cabbage or broccoli. Grace may seek approval for outdoor use of the biocontrol fungus as markets open up, according to Dr. van Remoortere.

Resembling granular fertilizer, the pellets are made of dormant fungal spores, wheat bran, and alginate--a natural gel-like material that binds the particle together.

When the pellets are moistened, the spores germinate and the fungus multiplies and controls the disease.

Gliocladium is a naturally occurring organism that was isolated from Maryland

soil by scientists at Beltsville's Biocontrol of Plant Diseases Laboratory in the early 1980's. Chemist William J. Connick, Jr., with an ARS laboratory in New Orleans, LA, originally developed the alginate pellet formulation to encapsulate herbicides to kill weeds on top of the soil.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Drew Industries Inc. (NASDAQ National Market: DREW) announced Monday that it had sold certain assets of its White Metal ladder manufacturing subsidiary to R.D. Werner Co. Inc., a privately-owned corporation based in Greenville, Pa.

Drew also anticipated that it will liquidate the remaining assets of White Metal during the next twelve months.

R. D. Werner has not acquired the White Metal name, will not produce White Metal ladders, will not operate White Metal's business and has not assumed any liabilities of White Metal. The purchase price for the assets purchased by R.D. Werner is largely dependent upon results of operations associated with certain of the assets purchased.

As a result of this sale and additional write-offs applicable to discontinued operations as well as the write-off of goodwill and related assets, due to the restructuring of its postal product line, Drew will report an after tax loss solely from these write-offs of approximately $15.5. million ($3.31 per share).

The losses applicable to White Metal consist of the write-off of goodwill; White Metal's operating losses for the current fiscal year, and anticipated losses on the sale and liquidation of the White Metal assets, offset by a portion of the anticipated future proceeds to be received as a result of the sale to R.D. Werner.

Although the loss is significant, a substantial portion of the losses are attributable to write-offs of goodwill and other non-cash items. The cash impact to Drew is not expected to exceed the company's borrowing capacity and the company's lender has consented to the transaction.

The company announced that fiscal 1990 operating results from Drew's two primary operations, Kinro and Leslie-Locke, are expected to show improvements from the prior year, without giving effect to the write-off of the postal assets. The sale of certain assets of White Metal will permit Drew to

concentrate its resources and efforts on expanding these on-going operations. Operating results for fiscal 1990 are anticipated to be reported by Drew by Nov. 29, 1990.

Drew is engaged in the manufacture of a wide variety of home improvement building products for the contract and do-it-yourself home construction and remodeling industry, consisting of ornamental iron railings and security products, residential and commercial ventilation products, skylights and rakes and the manufacture of aluminum windows for the manufactured housing industry, and aluminum windows and doors for recreational vehicles.

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EDISON, NJ (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Pentech International Inc. (NASDAQ:PNTK) a designer, manufacturer and marketer of writing and drawing instruments, said Monday earnings rose 33 percent to a record $3,923,849, or 33 cents per share, for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to earnings of $2,940,464, or 25 cents per share, for the prior year.

Revenues for the year rose a record 30 percent to $29,913,261, compared to revenues of $23,023,873 a year ago.

Norman Melnick, Pentech president and chief executive, said he was pleased with the earnings and sales growth, attributing them to ''an expansion of the company's unique product line, a rise in shelf space allocated for Pentech items and growing consumer demand for Pentech products.''

Melnick noted that management was looking forward to continued growth in 1991, based on the strong reception that several of Pentech's newer products have received from the company's retail buyer customer base.

Pentech designs and markets a broad selection of colorful consumer-oriented writing and drawing instruments, including pens, markers, pencils and crayons, as well as a variety of products for the commercial marketplace.

These modestly priced items are widely distributed in most of the prominent mass market retail outlets, primarily throughout the United States and Canada under Pentech trade names.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Heinz U.S.A., a division of H.J. Heinz Co., and The Hearst Corp. Monday jointly announced Family Works!, a comprehensive television public affairs campaign to support and celebrate the vitality and resiliency of the modern American family.

The television campaign marks the first time that a locally oriented programming and marketing package on the scale of Family Works! has been sponsored nationally. It is part of a broader Heinz campaign commitment, in excess of $10 million, directed toward families which will integrate broadcast print advertorials, in-store promotions, and grassroots activities and events.

Leo Burnett, the largest single buyer of television in the United States, and the agency of record for Heinz U.S.A., will be working with Heinz and Hearst to execute the television campaign.

''Family is at the heart of Heinz,'' said Brian Ruder, vice president of marketing, Heinz U.S.A. ''We have a special relationship with our consumers because Heinz products are a part of many close family gatherings. Family Works! is a multi-media campaign that pays tribute to and touches the American family -- in all of its diverse forms -- and identifies workable solutions to the unique challenges of family life in the 1990s.

The concept of a broad family initiative was developed for Heinz by Cone Communications Inc., a leading independent national public relations and marketing firm.

The campaign will be made available to local television stations across the country by Hearst Entertainment Distribution, and will be presented at the January 1991 convention of the National Association of Television Programming Executives (NATPE) in New Orleans.

The Hearst Corp. is one of the largest diversified communications companies in the world. In addition to publishing 14 major consumer magazines, 12 daily newspapers, books and business publications, Hearst owns and operates seven radio and six television stations, produces and distributes programming for both broadcast and cable, and syndicates editorial material and comics both domestically and overseas. Hearst is a partner in the Arts & Entertainment, Lifetime, and ESPN cable networks and has an extensive network of licensees overseas publishing Hearst magazines in 60 foreign editions.

Heinz U.S.A. is the largest affiliate of the H.J. Heinz Co., a $6.1 billion

company headquartered in Pittsburgh, Pa. Heinz U.S.A. markets its family of products, including Ketchup, 57 Sauce and Homestyle Gravy, primarily under the Heinz label throughout the United States.

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CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - American Telecommunications Corp. (ATC), a new subsidiary of Comdial Corp., has been formed to target a growing niche of the business phone market...small businesses with under five employees, and the 25 million people who do some work at home.

ATC's first product, EZ-Comm, a two-line full-featured system supporting up to six telephones on a common intercom path, will be available in January, 1991, through Comdial's nationwide distribution network.

Larry Tate, a 24-year veteran of Stromberg-Carlson and Comdial, has been named president of ATC, which is also based in Charlottesville. Tate was formerly Comdial's vice preisident of manufacturing.

Tate said, ''The phones will be sourced products, produced to our design specifications and high quality standards. All service and support will be provided with Comdial's technical staff in Charlottesville, so we'll be offering a cost effective product with Comdial's established high level of technical support.''

ATC is also developing additional products including single and two-line feature phones, a caller indentification device and an integrated telephone and answering machine. All will be targeted at small businesses.

Tate added, ''Early customer interest in the new ATC designs has been extremely favorable, and we expect ATC to be a significant contributor to Comdial sales growth in 1991.''

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MONTGOMERY, AL (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Blount Inc. (ASE:BLT.A) Monday declared a regular quarterly dividend on its Class A common stock of 11-1/4 cents per share and a regular quarterly dividend on its Class B common stock of 10 cents per share.

Both dividends are payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business Dec. 14, 1990.

The dividend on the Class A common stock reflects the 1-1/4 cents per share additional dividend that the Class A shareholders are entitled to over the per-share dividend paid on the Class B common stock.

Blount is an international manufacturing and construction company headquartered in Montgomery.

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ROUYN-NORANDA, QUEBEC (NOV/ 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Audrey Resources Inc. (TSE, ME: AUY) announces it has received notice from Northgate Exploration Ltd. that Northgate has retained Wood Gundy Inc. to represent its interests and those of minority shareholders in connection with the sale of treasury shares of Audrey recently announced.

Northgate, which owns 18 percent of Audrey shares, clearly indicated that it would favor a purchase offer extended to all Audrey shareholders.

Audrey has retained the services of Levesque Beaubien Geoffrion Inc. to solicit offers from major mining companies, in order to finance the development of the 1100 lens at the Mobrun mine.

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FORT WORTH, TX (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The Tandy Corp. board of directors has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share.

The dividend is payable to stockholders of record as of Jan. 1, 1991, with

payment scheduled for Jan. 22, 1991.

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AMBLER, PA (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Interspec, Inc. (NASDAQ:ISPC) announced Monday that the Boards of Directors of both Interspec and Siemens Ultrasound, Inc. have approved the recently announced research and development agreement and distribution agreement for specialized medical diagnostic products.

Under these agreements, Interspec will develop medical ultrasound systems for radiology and anesthesiology applications, to be jointly funded by Interspec and Siemens. Ultrasound systems developed under the research and development agreement will be manufactured by Interspec and sold by the Siemens organization. Interspec will be responsible for marketing and servicing its radiology systems in North America.

Edward Ray, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Interspec, stated, ''The agreements with Siemens will permit Interspec to expand its technology into new markets while continuing to focus on its core business, the private practice and hospital cardiovascular markets. Coupled with Interspec's improved financial condition resulting from the sale of Vingmed Sound, Interspec should be well-positioned for the future.''

Interspec recently announced it has entered into a stock purchase agreement for the sale of its Norwegian subsidiary, Vingmed Sound A/S, to Sonotron Holding A.G. The companies have also concluded a distribution agreement whereby Interspec would continue as the exclusive distributor of Vingmed Sound's products in North America.

The purchase price for the Vingmed Sound shares will be approximately $17,000,000 in cash plus the assumption of up to to $5,250,000 in outstanding bank debt. The net proceeds will be used to retire certain debt and for working capital needs.

Vingmed Sound designs and manufactures the Vingmed Color Flow Mapping (CFM) System, a medical diagnostic ultrasound imaging instrument primarily used by cardiologists and vascular specialists at clinics and hospitals around the world.

Sonotron, a Swiss corporation whose principal offices are located in Zug, Switzerland, is a subsidiary of Diasonics, Inc. (AMEX:DIA). Sonotron is a leading distributor of medical ultrasound products in Europe.

Ray noted, ''Sonotron has been working with Vingmed Sound since 1986 to

develop the European market for the Vingmed CFM System. Sonotron is the largest distributor of Vingmed Sound products, having purchased more than half of all Vingmed CFM Systems sold during 1990. Interspec has a high regard and enthusiasm for Vingmed Sound's products, and we look forward to continuing our relationship with Vingmed Sound as the exclusive distributor of the Vingmed CFM System in North America, by working together on selected technology programs, and through mutual OEM arrangements,'' concluded Ray.

The acquisition, which is expected to be completed in early 1991, is subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, including the approval of certain agencies of the Norwegian Government.

Interspec develops, manufactures, markets and services medical ultrasound systems, probes, transducers and related accessories and supplies. It is a leading supplier of ultrasound systems and supplies to the cardiology market and is a leading supplier of transducers and probes to manufacturers of medical ultrasound systems.

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ELMSFORD, N.Y. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - V Band Corp. (NASDAQ/NML:VBAN) announced Monday the signing of a multi-million dollar purchase agreement with Technical Telephone Systems Inc. (TTSI) of Staten Island, N.Y.

The agreement, worth $3 million in 1991, represents a commitment on behalf of both V Band and TTSI in providing state-of-the-art technology for dealing and trading communications equipment and the highest level of service to the financial marketplace.

''TTSI has had a long term relationship with V Band Corporation. This agreement is mutually beneficial and further serves to strengthen our relationship in the future,'' stated George Cruzado, chief executive officer and co-founder of TTSI.

TTSI is V Band's second largest worldwide product distributor.

The agreement comes on the heel of V Band's June, 1990, announcement of its new digital trader communication system, ViAX DN, and V Band's November, 1990, estimated $4 million sale of ViAX DN to Daiwa Securities by Mitsubishi Electric in Japan.

The ViAX DN provides users with high performance functionality and unparalleled reliability based on a distributed digital design and network cost saving associated with backroom size reduction, data integration and network management capability. ViAX DN is fully compatible with both analog and digital line terminations.

V Band Corp., is a leader in the design and manufacturing of high-density, electronic key telephone systems used by the world's leading financial industries in the trading and dealing of stocks, bonds, commodities and currencies, and by airlines, utilities, railroads, emergency services and the military in communications control centers.

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SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Westpac Banking Corp. (NYSE:WBK) and the Trustees of the Westpac Australian Staff Superannuation Scheme (superannuation fund) have received court documents challenging the transfer to the bank, earlier this year, of a portion of the substantial overfunding of the superannuation fund.

It should be noted that the plaintiff is a member of the bank staff and a member of the superannuation fund. The Australian Bank Employees Union is not the plaintiff as reported in the press.

Four of the eight Trustees are Westpac Banking Corp. employees and are elected by the members of the superannuation fund. Some current trustees are Union members and one was, in fact endorsed by the Union.

An examination of the superannuation fund by an independent actuary confirmed that the fund was in surplus by around A$1 billion and was substantially overfunded.

The actuary to the superannuation fund made recommendations with respect to this situation. As a result of these recommendations, the trustees and the bank determined that A$300 million of the surplus was to be used to improve the members' benefits and A$300 million was to be returned to the bank.

One of the consequences of this decision is that thousands of retired officers will receive increased pensions. Furthermore, the staff contribution rate has been reduced. As part of an on-going consultative process, a survey of bank staff has been carried out to determine their views as to the form of further improvements to members' benefits.

The superannuation fund is a defined benefit fund. In the unlikely

circumstances that the fund moved to a deficit then the bank is obliged to see that the fund is actuarially sound and any shortfall corrected.

The bank and the trustees gave careful consideration to an acted on legal and actuarial advice regarding both the proposal to return part of the surplus and to improve the benefits of existing and retired members of the fund. They believe that these actions were both legally and ethically correct and the claim will be defended vigorously.

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GREENWOOD, SC (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - United Financial Corp. of South Carolina Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:UNSA) Monday announced that the board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to 53,000 shares of the corporation's common stock in the open market or in negotiated transactions at such times and at such prices as management may decide.

Any shares repurchased by the corporation will be reserved for employee benefit plans. A similar repurchase program for 50,000 shares was completed during the third quarter. The corporation presently has 2,240,944 shares of common stock outstanding and has purchased treasury shares to date totaling 137,486.

United Financial Corp. of South Carolina Inc. is a savings and loan holding company consisting of two subsidiaries: United Savings Bank, F.S.B., Inc. of Greenwood and Home Federal Savings Bank of South Carolina Inc. The subsidiary banks serve Greenville, Greenwood, Rock Hill and the surrounding area through 13 full-service and two limited-service offices.

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HOPKINTON, MASS. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - On Wednesday, Nov. 21, 1990, a preliminary finding of liability was issued by a Middlesex Superior Court jury against EMC Corp. for misappropriation of certain trade secrets by Cambex Corp.

As part of the finding, the jury recommended an award of $2 million.

Cambex alleged that EMC Corp. had received from RPB Consulting Inc. certain trade secrets dealing with the memory configuration table changes necessary to reconfigure memory capacities for the IBM 3080 series of computers.

The 3080 memory upgrade market which ended in 1989, was a minor part of EMC's business; less than 5 percent.

EMC and RPB Consulting Inc. vigorously dispute the preliminary jury finding and will be filing motions with the court to have the jury finding overturned before a judgment is entered next year. An appeal is also likely.

Both RPB Consulting and EMC strenuously denied any misappropriation of any proprietary Cambex property, and EMC maintained that no improper or illegal activity took place. EMC further maintained that the microcode changes were not proprietary to Cambex Corp. and EMC presented evidence that it had developed some of the microcode changes itself and, when necessary, had purchased the changes from multiple, readily available sources in the marketplace.

Independent testimony at the trail showed there were as many as 11 different vendors from which the microcode change could be obtained.

Despite the initial findings of the jury, EMC intends to vigorously pursue its position in this matter to ultimately prove that no illegal activity took place.

EMC Corp. supplies innovative, high performance storage products and related services for midrange and mainframe computers worldwide.

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MIAMI (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Cruise America Inc. (AMEX:RVR) Monday announced net earnings of $2,066,000 or 37 cents per share for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, a 34 percent increase over the $1,540,000 or 28 cents per share for the like period in 1989.

The company announced revenues of $24,517,000 for the quarter compared to $22,825,000 for the like period in 1989, a 7 percent increase. Net earnings for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $6,375,000 or $1.15 per share, a 46 percent increase over the $4,363,000 or 79 cents per share for the like period in 1989.

Revenues for the six months were $50,349,000, up 11 percent from the $45,519,000 for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1989.

Leading the growth in revenues was Rental Revenue, which increased 11 percent to $17,103,000 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 from $15,344,000 for the like period in 1989. For the six-month period ending Oct. 31, 1990, Rental Revenue was $33,403,000, an 11 percent increase over the $29,973,000 reported for the like period a year ago.

Rental Vehicle Sales (sales of vehicles retired from the rental fleet) declined 8 percent to $5,885,000 in the second quarter from $6,371,000 for the like period in 1989. A sluggish economy and uncertainty about the Mideast combined to put downward pressure on sales of leisure durables nationwide.

Rental Vehicle Sales for the six-month period ending Oct. 31, 1990, were $13,309,000, representing a 6 percent increase over $12,513,000 for the like period in 1989.

Cruise America Inc. is the largest company in North America specializing in the rental and sale of recreational vehicles.

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LYNNFIELD, MASS. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Boston Acoustics Inc. (NASDAQ:BOSA), announced Monday that the second quarterly dividend payment of 7 cents per share is to be made on Jan. 21, 1991 to holders of record as of Dec. 21, 1990.

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WINDSOR LOCKS, CONN. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Xi Tec Inc. reports that for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, gross revenues were $1,069,000 compared to $300,000 for 1989.

Net sales were $741,000 compared to $200,000 for 1989.

The net loss was $49,000 vs. $146,000 for the same period in 1989.

Xi Tec Inc. manufactures portable, hand-held fluoroscopic and radiographic imaging systems for use by physicians, podiatrists and veterinarians in offices, surgery centers, operating rooms and in the field.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Fischbach Corp. announced that Robert R. Kiley, currently chairman and chief executive officer of the Metropolitan Transit Authority of New York, has been appointed president and chief executive officer of Fischbach, effective immediately.

Kiley has held his current position at the MTA since 1983, during which time he played a major role in improving the financial and operating conditions of the greater New York transportation system, which has a current annual operating budget of approximately $5 billion.

Prior to his MTA position, Kiley was chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority for four years.

He has also been an adjunct professor in Boston University's MBA program. Kiley was Deputy Mayor of the City of Boston from 1972 to 1975. He is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame.

Kiley replaces Donald Brenner, who will return to his position as head of the Brenner Group, a Chicago accounting and consulting firm.

Fischbach Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of American International Group Inc. and is one of the nation's oldest and largest electrical and mechanical contracting firms.

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (NOV. 23) BUSINESS WIRE - Envirosafe Services Inc. (NASDAQ: ENVI) Monday announced that the company's Ohio subsidiary filed a motion for reconsideration with the Ohio Hazardous Waste Facility Board.

The motion requests the board to reconsider its vote on Aug. 29, which denied the Ohio company's application to contruct a new disposal cell. It also requests reconsideration of the 185,000 ton annual limitation placed upon the facility if the new cell is authorized and the board's action on post-closure funding requirements.

Previously, an Adjudication Panel of the board had recommended the authorization of the new cell and an annual capacity limitation of 300,000

tons. ''Although we have not received the written record of the Board's August 29, 1990 decision, our legal research indicates there is precedent for an early filing of a Motion for Reconsideration,'' C. Edward Ashby, Jr., president and chief executive officer, said. ''Given the dwindling capacity remaining available to us, we have elected to move forward with our Motion before the written decision is available in the hope that the Board, upon reflection on the evidence and clarification, will conclude that the proposed construction meets the statutory requirements and will reverse their August 29 decision,'' he stated.

Envirosafe Services is a leading provider of land disposal services for environmentally sensitive wastes. The company owns major disposal sites in Ohio and Idaho -- two of the 20 such sites authorized under federal law.

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LEXINGTON, KY (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Restaurant operators who'd like to emulate the success of a high-growth Lexington restaurant company might heed this advice from one of its owners:

To ensure customer satisfaction, treat your employees well.

That philosophy has worked well for Mike Scanlon and Tom Root, who two years ago founded the Thomas and King Inc. company on that premise.

Bursting from the starting gate, Thomas and King has opened franchised casual-style Applebee's Neighborhood Bar and Grill restaurants in the Lexington, Cincinnati, Columbus, Dayton and Phoenix metropolitan areas.

Since last year, the number of employees has more than doubled and sales have tripled to a projected $17 million, growth rates that would make many publicly held restaurant chains envious. Average sales at Thomas and King restaurants routinely rank at the top or among the top 5 percent of the 151 Applebee's restaurants across the country, company or franchised.

Besting others within the Applebee's chain is no small feat, considering that Restaurant Business this year ranked Applebee's International as the nation's fastest growing restaurant chain.

''We don't do anything magic,'' says Scanlon, 36, president of Thomas and King. ''But what we do, we do well.''

Indeed.

Scanlon and 38-year-old Tom Root, the company's director of operations, say those sales figures indicate that their philosophy of ''customer service through employee fulfillment'' works. And, says Scanlon, it just makes sense.

''The byword of the 1990s is service,'' says Scanlon, who has been involved in the Applebee's concept since 1985. ''We've already established in the 1970s and 1980s that people want value. That's not going to change. Today, people want to be taken care of, whether you're a blue collar, yuppie, or a zillionnaire,'' Scanlon says.

The first step for ensuring that service exceeds customer expectations is to treat employees and managers well. The resulting good feelings then naturally spill over to restaurant guests.

''The way we treat each other is the way our guests get treated. We treat our employees courteously, and we're attentive to them. I don't want to pretend that it's heaven -- our employees earn their money. But our philosophy is, if you abuse your employees, they're going to take it out on the guests.

''If you use the approach we're using, suddenly you become the company that everyone wants to work for,'' says Scanlon.

Scanlon and Root's approach is sometimes unorthodox. One month they may take Applebee's managers and their spouses on a dinner cruise; the next, they'll change to combat fatigues and head to the woods to battle in ''splat'' wars with harmless paint ammunition. They've attended a professional baseball game and have also competed against one another in miniature race cars.

Their management approach is combined with a strict adherence to company procedures to ensure that customers consistently receive quality food and service. By standardizing many routine tasks, employees are free to use their own creativity to find ways to satisfy guests.

Combined with Applebee's broad-based menu and moderate prices (in the $2.45 to $8.50 range), their style has resulted in high repeat customer traffic at their restaurants, Scanlon says. He praises the company and its concept for the key role that they've played in Thomas and King's development.

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MORRISTOWN, N.J. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Computer Systems Monday

expanded its networked computing capabilities with the introduction of the StarServer(TM) S and enhancements to its line of SNA host connectivity software.

The StarServer S is a powerful uniprocessor server based on the Intel(a) i486 microprocessor and Extended Industry Standard Architecture (EISA) bus. It will be exhibited at COMDEX/Fall '90 in Las Vegas.

''Today's announcements dramatize AT&T Computer Systems' commitment to offer the broadest range of servers, from 386 to the industry-leading symmetric multi-processor StarServer E, and into the RISC-based System 7000 and StarServer FT,'' said Scott Perry, vice president of marketing and strategy.

''Our servers, supported by UNIX(R) System V and StarGROUP(R) LAN Manager Server, offer customers an unmatched range of choices and provide an interoperability platform for a variety of desktop operating systems, including MS(a)-DOS, OS/2(a), UNIX and Macintosh(a), and traditional computing environments such as SNA.''

The StarServer S offers significant price/performance benefits over other machines in its class, Perry said. Running at 33 MHz and rated at 26.5 MIPS, it provides two to three times the raw computing power of a 386/33 MHz processor.

The company said the StarServer S can function as a server, a multi-user processor or both simultaneously, a capability unique to AT&T's server product line. This enables customers to achieve maximum cost-effectiveness as they migrate from multi-user computing environments to client/server environments.

''The StarServer S provides a logical growth path for users of 286 and 386 technologies who need to move up to a high-performance server,'' Perry said. ''It offers higher performance for existing applications and the ability to take advantage of new applications that use 486 and Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) technology.''

AT&T also enhanced its SNA host connectivity products, which enable users to access critical mainframe applications and information using the networked computers on their desktops. The StarGROUP SNA Gateway enables MS-DOS workstations to emulate IBM 3270 terminals and printers. It provides connectivity to SNA mainframe environments from AT&T StarGROUP LAN Manager Server networks. The release of StarGROUP SNA Gateway announced today offers enhanced security, support for diskless PCs, and options that optimize client PC memory. AT&T's Host Connectivity Software also now supports UNIX System V Release 4.0, the latest release of the system.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Ehrlich Bober Financial Corp. issued its results for its first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30.

As previously disclosed, on Oct. 8, the board of directors of Ehrlich Bober decided to cease the ongoing operations of its principal subsidiary, Ehrlich Bober & Co. Inc. As a consequence, the results for this period are not comparable to the prior period.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, the company reported a net profit $110,000, reflecting primarily the reversal of accounting estimates made for the period ended June 30.

As discussed in the company's annual report on Form 10-K, for the year ended June 30, the board of directors has determined to seek to enter into other operating businesses through the acquisition of existing companies. At present, there are no plans to acquire any specific company or engage in any particular line of business.

	For the three months ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
(in thousands, except per-share data)		
Total revenues	$ --	$ 2,755
Income (loss) before provision for income taxes	(26)	(1,296)
Income tax provision	18	37
Loss from operations	(44)	(1,333)
Income from discontinued operations	154	--
Net income (loss)	110	(1,333)
Per share data:		
Loss from operations	(.01)	(.43)
Income from discontinued operations	.05	--
Net income (loss)	.04	(.43)
Average shares outstanding	3,008	3,085

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CHARLESTON, S.C. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - John M. Settle, president and chief executive officer of Home Federal Savings Bank (''Home Federal'') (NASDAQ:HFSB), Monday announced that Home Federal's board of directors has unanimously approved a plan providing for the reorganization of Home Federal as the subsidiary of a newly formed holding company to be known as Carolina Financial Corp.

Under the plan, the existing stockholders of Home Federal will exchange their shares of Home Federal common stock for an equal number of shares of common stock in the new holding company which will thereafter own all of the outstanding shares of Home Federal. Implementation of the plan is subject to the approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision and the stockholders of Home Federal.

Home Federal intends to present the plan to its stockholders for approval at its annual meeting of stockholders, to be held in January 1991.

Settle stated that the primary reason behind the proposed reorganization is the belief by management of Home Federal that diversification of business activities and future business acquisitions and combinations can be more easily and advantageously accomplished through a holding company structure than through Home Federal directly.

Also, the holding company will have the ability to repurchase outstanding shares of the company's stock, which may increase book value and may support the price of the stock.

At the present time, however, the proposed holding company has not formulated any specific plans to engage in other lines of business after it commences operations.

Home Federal is a federally chartered and insured savings bank operating three full-service offices in Charleston. The common stock of Home Federal Savings Bank is traded in the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol HFSB.

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#90330b0804 11/26/1990 ~Business Wire

BURLINGTON, MASS. (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Recognition Equipment Inc. and Siemens Nixdorf Information Systems Inc. announced Monday they have completed the planned acquisition of Recognition's Wand Products Division by Siemens Nixdorf.

The purchase price was approximately $8.75 million, subject to certain possible after-sale adjustments. Recognition's first quarter results for the

quarter ending Jan. 31, 1991, are expected to include a gain of approximately $6 million from the sale.

The purchase of this business by Siemens Nixdorf strengthens its already prominent worldwide position in many industries, especially in the retail industry as one of the principal suppliers of point-of-sale and in-store customer service systems.

The sale of the business unit by Recognition Equipment Inc. is in line with its overall plan to focus its products on the market for document imaging, which the company announced in October 1989. Several of its non-imaging business units have been sold.

Albert Holler, president and chief executive officer of Siemens Nixdorf said, ''This acquisition continues to show our intention to grow strongly in the United States through bringing to the market the best coordinated solutions for our customers and prospects. By adding the Wand Products operation to our company, we have a springboard to continue to develop technology that will keep us as leaders in industries such as data entry, banking and retail both here and worldwide, and to be able to export to other Siemens Nixdorf subsidiaries.''

Recognition, headquartered in Dallas, and its wholly owned subsidiary, Plexus Software Inc., manufacture, sell and service image and data capture hardware and software systems for customers throughout the world.

Siemens Nixdorf Information Systems in the United States provides complete data processing solutions to customers, with products ranging from PCs to super minicomputers. U.S. headquarters are in Burlington, Mass. along with over 110 sales and service, research and development locations and 1,300 employees throughout the country. It is a subsidiary of Siemens Nixdorf Informationssyteme AG of Munich, Federal Republic of Germany -- Europe's largest computer company with over 50,000 employees.

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GREAT NECK, NY (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - BRT Realty Trust (NYSE:BRT) Monday announced its results of operations for the year and fourth quarter ended Sept. 30.

For the year ended Sept. 30, the Trust reported revenues of $30,743,000

compared to $34,108,000 reported for the year ended Sept. 30, 1989. After a provision for possible losses of $34,577,000, the Trust reported a net loss of $21,406,000, or a net loss of $2.91 per share, for the year ended Sept. 30.

In comparison, for the year ended Sept. 30, 1989, the Trust reported net income of $17,038,000, or $2.31 per share, after a loss provision of $1.7 million. The weighted average number of shares outstanding during fiscal 1990 were 7,359,508 compared to 7,362,119 during fiscal 1989.

Revenues for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $6,725,000 compared to $8,587,000 recorded in the corresponding quarter last year. During the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, the Trust reported a net loss of $27,796,000, or a net loss of $3.78 per share, after a provision for possible losses of $28,977,000. During the corresponding quarter last year, the Trust reported net income of $3,711,000, or 50 cents per share, after a loss provision of $800,000. The weighted average number of shares oustanding during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were 7,346,624 compared to 7,379,433 during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Commenting on the results for the year and three month period ended Sept. 30, and the Trust's financial position at Sept. 30, Israel Rosenzweig, president of BRT Realty Trust, stated that the well publicized difficulties in the real estate markets served by the Trust, particularly in the New York Metropolitan area, have accelerated over the past few months. These conditions, coupled with a general lack of liquidity in the real estate industry, caused the Trust to take a large provision for possible losses at year end.

The provision taken at year end brings the total allowance for possible losses of $26,329,000 or 12 percent of the Trust's total assets at Sept. 30. Rosenzweig noted that the increase in non-earning loans to $46,260,000 or 22 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, and the increase in real estate acquired by foreclosure and held for sale to $24,548,000 (net of allowances and write-offs) or 11 percent of total assets at Sept. 30, were among the factors considered in determining the provision. The Trust has approximately $74,600,000 of shareholders' equity after reflecting fiscal 1990 results.

BRT Realty Trust is a mortgage-oriented real estate investment trust (REIT) specializing in short-term mortgage lending. -0- T

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LITTLE ROCK, AR (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Dillard Department Stores Inc. (NYSE:DDS) announced that the board of directors declared a 5 cent per share regular quarterly cash dividend on its Class A and Class B common stock

payable to stockholders of record as of Dec. 31, 1990, and to be paid on Feb. 1, 1991.

The company had previously announced a sales increase of 20.1 percent for the third quarter ended Nov. 3, 1990. Earnings per share for the quarter were 88 cents this year compared to 69 cents last year.

The company currently operates 188 traditional department stores in Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas featuring branded goods in the upper middle price range and catering to a broad spectrum of the population.

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#90330b0829 11/26/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JOSE, CALIF (NOV. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Microwave Corp. and AT&T Network Systems Monday announced a development and supply agreement for the design of a new generation of Synchronous Digital Hierarchy (SDH)-based microwave radio products.

Under the terms of the agreement, Digital Microwave and AT&T will jointly develop a new family of digital radio products for global applications requiring (SDH) transmission. Technology which evolves from the joint development effort will be available to both companies for future products.

Both companies will market this new radio product line, with AT&T concentrating on high-capacity applications and Digital Microwave on low- to medium-capacity.

''We are very pleased to be in partnership with AT&T on these leading-edge products,'' commented William E. Gibson, president and CEO of Digital Microwave. ''Since 1985, we have continually enhanced and expanded our relationship with AT&T, and today's resulting partnership is evidence of the continuing growth of our relationship.''

''This agreement is an important step that both companies are taking and is a major element of AT&T's global strategy for synchronous radio products,'' said Robert J. Sanferrare, vice president, AT&T Network Systems.

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#90330c0002 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Xtramedics Inc.(TICKER: XMED).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$617	$1,814
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(113,988)	$(289,548)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,335,200	10,575,200

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$879,824	$1,407,994
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$773,596	$1,293,580

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#90330c0004 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Dollar Savings Association.(TICKER: DSVG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$151,000	$1,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(230,193)	$104,489
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.65)	$0.29
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	354,315	354,315

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$107,655,689	$109,820,291
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,729,035	$8,005,655

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#90330c0005 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Air Transportation Holding Co. Inc.(TICKER: AIRT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,645,173	$4,172,743
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$271,953	$100,622
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	15,674,064	15,674,064

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,482,419	$5,980,988
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,168,931	$744,668

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#90330c0006 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Stratford American Corp.(TICKER: STRC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$862,000	$567,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,627,000)	$(1,072,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$19,209,000	$19,918,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,924,000	$8,077,000

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#90330c0007 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by F.N.B. Corp.(TICKER: FBAN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,388,000	$2,351,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.40	$0.39

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,175,715,000	$1,145,691,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$75,960,000	$70,363,000

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by CERBCO Inc.(TICKER: CERB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,946,181	$9,365,800
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(526,615)	$2,875
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.36)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$34,651,339	$32,034,017
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$12,395,840	$12,922,359

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mack Trucks Inc.(TICKER: MACK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$358,756,000	$394,029,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$89,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(46,755,000)	$(87,475,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.57)	$(2.94)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	29,779,000	29,741,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,433,148,000	$1,616,219,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$196,992,000	$340,615,000

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#90330c0010 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Guy F. Atkinson Co. of California.(TICKER: ATKN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$224,824,000	$193,183,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$79,000	$(11,745,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(1.34)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,777,224	8,777,224

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$361,194,000	$345,409,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$134,580,000	$136,092,000

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#90330c0012 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 20:

H & S Treat & Release Inc. - Units 8/14/92 (TRREU)
Work Recovery Inc. (WORK)

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#90330c0013 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - EXCEL Interfinancial Corp. (EXEL) was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 21 due to insufficient No. of active market makers.

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 20:

Atlantic Express Inc. (ATEXE); Not current in required filings

Authorized Distribution Network Inc. (ADNI), Units 5/1/94 (ADNIU), Wts 5/1/94 (ADNIW), Wts 7/3/95 (ADNIZ); Capital & Surplus below minimum

Channel America LPTV Holdings Inc. (LPTV), Cl A Units (LPTVL), Units 8/4/91 (LPTVU), Wts 8/4/91 (LPTVW); Capital & Surplus below minimum

Congress Video Group Inc. (CVGI); Not current in required filings
Florida Glass Industry (FGLS); Insuff. No. of active market makers
Tele-Art Inc. (TLAFE); Not current in required filings
Trace Products (TRCE); Acquired by Circle Triangle Corp.

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#90330c0014 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 21:

Circadian Inc. (CKDN) to (CKDNE)
Del Paint Corp. (DELAC) to (DELA)
Flagship Express Inc. (FLAXC) to (FLACE)

ProBac International Corp. - Units 3/11/93 (PBACU) to (PBAUE)

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#90330c0015 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Eye Technology Inc.(TICKER: EYTK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,041,192	$1,035,724
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$50,077	$(193,468)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	22,167,218	21,241,439

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,156,458	$2,131,206
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$(1,315,226)	$(1,459,756)

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#90330c0016 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Myo-Tech Corp.(TICKER: MYOT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$40,241	$380,579
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(287,903)	$(212,306)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.05)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,336,800	4,336,800

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,788,591	$4,489,044
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,539,519	$4,353,758

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by VSE Corp.(TICKER: VSEC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$26,384,000	$26,364,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$389,000	$453,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.23	$0.25

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$64,371,000	$72,197,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$26,224,000	$25,171,000

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#90330c0018 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Technology General Corp.(TICKER: TGENA0).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$854,943	$843,368
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(20,237)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(68,678)	$(132,378)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,902,622	$5,173,614
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,022,988	$2,076,919

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#90330c0020 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Savings & Loan Association of Florida.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(652,000)	$3,468,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$942,000	$(83,121)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(3.37)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,869,830,000	$4,916,480,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$183,265,000	$208,932,000

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#90330c0021 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows several grantees under the incentive plan for key employees have paid the price of 12,480 Scitex Corp. LTD.(TICKER: SCIX) company shares, increasing the paid-up capital of the company to 36,701,716 common shares of NIS 0.0012 par value per share (excluding unpaid ordinary shares and bonus shares held in trust within the framework of the plan).

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#90330c0022 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Lone Star Technologies Inc.(TICKER: LSST).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$169,500,000	$145,300,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(1,100,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$25,400,000	$(16,300,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.25	$(0.81)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,908,500,000	$3,602,500,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$152,200,000	$108,600,000

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#90330c0023 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by IWC Resources Corp.(TICKER: IWCR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$15,041,000	$13,955,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,086,000	$1,634,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	5,257,000	5,210,000
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$251,788,000	$249,844,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$48,546,000	$48,656,000

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#90330c0024 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Xsirius Inc.(TICKER: XSIR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$253,000	$202,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(605,000)	$(599,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.21)	$(0.21)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,882,703	2,859,051

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,937,000	$6,483,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,186,000	$1,508,000

-30- 1077

#90330c0025 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Triumph Oil and Gas Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$416,801	$260,815
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$28,606	$(17,035)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,189,695	$961,849
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(245,641)	$(274,247)

-30- 946

#90330c0026 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Fashions Inc.(TICKER: UFAS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$69,575	$188,379
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(4,702)	$49,970
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,453,159	2,363,485

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,683,436	$8,392,068
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,633,944	$8,308,953

-30- 1067
#90330c0028 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:37 that trade in NCA Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol NCA.

-30- 293
#90330c0029 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in MCA Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol MCA. Trading was resumed at 10:14.

-30- 328
#90330c0030 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:28 that trade in Cardinal Financial Group Inc.(NASDAQ: CAFS) has been resumed. The first sale was 8 1/2; up 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 369
#90330c0031 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Elmer's Restaurants Inc.(TICKER: ELMS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,107,046	$2,998,980
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$65,982	$35,007
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,182,307	2,242,252

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,882,347	$9,039,108
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,893,505	$2,808,733

-30- 1048

#90330c0032 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Carolina First Corp.(TICKER: CAFC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$290,410	$88,579
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.11	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,655,541	2,650,803

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$333,042,151	$326,438,834
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$29,993,550	$28,797,849

-30- 857

#90330c0033 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by General Metal & Abrasives Co.(TICKER: GMET).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$459,839	$512,466
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,147	$53,958
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.08
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	699,000	699,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,030,717	$3,055,190
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,267,712	$2,264,563

-30- 1086

#90330c0034 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by ESB Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: ESBB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$286,562	$65,060
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.33	$0.08
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	863,337	862,500

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$129,712,579	$124,575,960
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$20,325,468	$19,958,025

-30- 856
#90330c0036 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Giddings & Lewis Inc.(TICKER: GIDL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$59,889,000	$62,025,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$380,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$5,327,000	$4,800,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.50	$0.46
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,653,516	10,477,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$169,549,000	$163,381,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$129,460,000	$114,887,000

-30- 1088
#90330c0037 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Computer Data Systems Inc.(TICKER: CPTD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$31,076,400	$31,614,500
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$734,100	$969,300
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.26	$0.34

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$50,153,800	$52,834,900

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$22,621,900	$22,906,400

-30- 981

#90330c0038 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pettibone Corp.(TICKER: PETT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$31,020,000	$35,094,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(2,750,000)	$62,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,408,000)	$977,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.38)	$0.15
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,345,178	6,345,178

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$66,212,000	$68,502,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$12,701,000	$15,454,000

-30- 1051

#90330c0039 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pacer Technology.(TICKER: PTCH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,125,690	$1,806,886
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$50,382	$(141,760)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,588,812	10,823,545

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,712,542	$4,689,358
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,283,772	$2,239,186

-30- 1039

#90330c0040 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Starstream Communications Group Inc. (TICKER: SCGI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$427,683	$728,536
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$13,238	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$42,704	$(1,216,498)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.70)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,817,249	$1,608,458
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$550,266	$11,253

-30- 998

#90330c0041 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bancorp of Mississippi Inc.(TICKER: BOMS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,844,000	$3,186,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.81	$0.66

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,499,901,000	$1,417,971,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$101,120,000	$93,875,000

-30- 807

#90330c0042 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Helix Biocore Inc.(TICKER: HLIX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$132,714	$159,991
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(929,830)	$(582,730)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$(0.11)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,890,252	5,391,996

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,591,437	$9,702,990
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$12,001,446	$8,769,846

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise.

Its executive address is 3905 Annapolis Lane, Plymouth, MN 55447, and its telephone number is (612) 553-7736.

-30- 1203

#90330c0044 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Griffin states that he may acquire additional shares from time to time of Resorts International(TICKER: RT).

-30- 328
#90330c0045 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

MERCURY ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC OWNS 125,000 SHARES (6.90%) OF AUTO DEPOT INC. (TICKER: AUTD) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Mercury Asset Management PLC sold 22,000 shares from Oct. 10 to Nov. 8, 1990 for $11.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 480
#90330c0046 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY CHANNEL LP OWNS 7,819,845 SHARES (92.50%) OF UNIPAC CORP. (TICKER: UNIP) OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 8, 1990, Channel LP, et al. purchased 5,994,845 common shares and 599,485 class B callable common purchase warrants for $.97 per share pursuant to a purchase agreement dated May 25, 1990 with CVI Ventures Inc. and Continental Ventures Inc.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 617
#90330c0047 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY WG PARTNERS LP OWNS 3,413,303 SHARES (46.99%) OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT) OF WABASH, INDIANA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 30, 1990, Signal and Shirt Shed Inc. announced that they had commenced discussions concerning a proposal by Signal to acquire the remaining shares it did not hold for $4 per share, subject to a mutually acceptable acquisition agreement, among other things.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

WG Partners LP, et al. purchased 150,000 shares on Nov. 1, 1990 for $3.38 per share, 232,132 common shares and 10,000 preferred shares on Nov. 14 for undisclosed amounts and acquired an option to purchase 500,000 shares at $.75 per share.

-30- 882
#90330c0048 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:40 that trade in Grubb & Ellis Realty Income Trust (NASDAQ: GRIT) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 4 1/2. The company is located in San Francisco, California.

-30- 385
#90330c0049 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A.J. CARROLL OWNS 7,110,585 SHARES (47.70%) OF CASPEN OIL INC. (TICKER: CNO) OF LAKEWOOD, COLORADO.

PURPOSE:

Investment

-30- 324
#90330c0050 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

COLGATE-PALMOLIVE HOLDING INC. OWNS 466,087 SHARES (8.60%) OF ATRIX LABORATORIES INC.(TICKER: ATRX) OF FORT COLLINS, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 14, 1990, another wholly-owned subsidiary of Colgate Vipont Pharmaceutical Inc., prepared a portion of a note payable by Vipont to Holding by assigning 466,087 shares of the common stock to Holding.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 604
#90330c0052 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY TELE-COMMUNICATIONS INC. OF DENVER, COLORADO OWNS 8,302,494 SHARES (37.59%) OF QVC NETWORK INC.(TICKER: QVCN) OF WESTCHESTER, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 23, 1990, TCI announced that its board of directors had approved a plan to restructure TCI pursuant to which certain of TCI's cable programming interests and cable television assets will be contributed to Liberty Media Corp., a newly formed, wholly-owned subsidiary of TCI, in exchange for preferred stock of Liberty, and Liberty will distribute transferrable exchange rights to security holders of TCI entitling them to exchange shares of TCI common stock for shares of Liberty common stock. The assets to be contributed to Liberty include a portion of the shares of QVC's common stock, series C preferred stock and warrants beneficially owned by TCI and consummation of the restructuring plan is subject to the satisfaction or waiver of various conditions and no assurance can be given that the restructuring plan will be consummated.

-30- 1248
#90330c0053 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CHURCHILL TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: CHUR) OWNS 6,610,585 SHARES (44.40%) OF CASPEN OIL INC. (TICKER: CNO) OF LAKEWOOD, COLORADO.

PURPOSE:

Investment

-30- 355
#90330c0054 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The information contained on page 2 of the offer to purchase for cash of Ryan, Beck & Co. Inc.(TICKER: RBCO), dated Nov. 16, 1990, is amended to reflect that Jack R. Rosenthal has reserved the right to tender up to 150,000 of the 236,500 shares which he owns.

-30- 472
#90330c0055 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

G. SANDLER OWNS 494,486 SHARES (9.71%) OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB) OF BROOKLYN, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 7, 1990, pursuant to a purchasers' purchase agreement, and with insurance proceeds received from certain insurance polices on the life of Mr. Strober in the amount of $11,264,365, certain officers and former officers of the company purchased an aggregate of 1,457,227 shares, of which Mr. Sandler purchased 243,003 shares, from the estate of Eric D. Strober. On Nov. 8, 1990, Mr. Sandler entered into a purchase agreement with Sue Strober pursuant to which Ms. Strober acquired 50,717 shares from Mr. Sandler at a price of $7.73 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 926
#90330c0056 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The aggregate stake of the Center Inc.s is not determinable from this filing, but they hold in excess of 3,486,167 shares, which represents 35.3 percent. On Nov. 7, 1990, Lambert Brussels, Shelter Holdings, the Partnership, the General Partner and Metropolitan Asset Group Ltd. executed a commitment letter, dated Nov. 6, 1990, pursuant to which and subject to the satisfaction or waiver of certain conditions, Lambert Brussels agreed in principal to forgive certain of the Lambert Debt; to reduce and restructure the remaining Lambert Debt to an amount estimated to be $3,700,000; and to permit Shelter Holdings and one of its subsidiaries to assume the restructured debt upon consummation of certain of the transactions contemplated by the asset purchase option agreement. On Nov. 7, 1990, Lambert Brussels, MAG, the Partnership, the General Partner, Shelter Holdings and Farkas executed a standstill agreement dated Nov. 6, 1990 that, from and after Nov. 6, 1990, until the earlier of the closing and Nov. 6 1992, it will not, and will not permit any affiliates to directly or indirectly take any action to acquire, support any plan to acquire, or arrange for financing for the acquisition of, any of US Shelter Corp.'s capital stock, securities, debt obligations or assets in a transaction which, in the judgment of Lambert Brussels acting in good faith, does not meet certain criteria relating to Lambert Brussels' economic benefits, collateral security and legal rights and remedies.

-30- 1714
#90330c0057 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J. YANUKLIS OWNS 453,255 SHARES (8.90%) OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB) OF BROOKLYN, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 7, 1990, pursuant to a purchasers' purchase agreement, and with insurance proceeds received from certain insurance polices on the life of Mr. Strober in the amount of $11,264,365, certain officers and former officers of the company purchased an aggregate of 1,457,227 shares, of which Mr. Yanuklis purchased 217,095 shares, from the estate of Eric D. Strober. On Nov. 8, 1990, Mr. Yanuklis entered into a purchase agreement with Sue Strober pursuant to which Ms. Strober acquired 35,821 shares from Mr. Yanuklis at a price of $7.73 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 930
#90330c0058 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Nov. 21, 1990, Trefoil Capital Investors LP announced that it had advised CNC Holding Corp. that it believes that the conditions to Trefoil's acquisition of CNC's 82 percent interest in Child World (TICKER: CWLD) would not be satisfied and it has sought CNC's consent to the termination of their Aug. 24, 1990 stock purchase agreement. Upon termination of that agreement, the related merger agreement under which Trefoil proposed to acquire the remaining publicly-held 18 percent interest in Child World will also be terminated.

PURPOSE:

Terminations of agreements.

-30- 833
#90330c0060 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.J. GAITES OWNS 457,135 SHARES (8.98%) OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB) OF BROOKLYN, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 7, 1990, pursuant to a purchasers' purchase agreement, and with insurance proceeds received from certain insurance polices on the life of Mr. Strober in the amount of $11,264,365, certain officers and former officers of the company purchased an aggregate of 1,457,227 shares, of which Mr. Gaites purchased 243,554 shares, from the estate of Eric D. Strober. On Nov. 8, 1990, Mr. Gaites entered into a purchase agreement with Sue Strober pursuant to which Ms. Strober acquired 50,759 shares from Mr. Gaites at a price of $7.73 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 925
#90330c0061 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 21, 1990, JTN Axquisition Corp. extended their tender offer to Dec. 20 1990.

PURPOSE:

Intent to solicit proxies.

-30- 320
#90330c0062 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Justin Industries Inc.(TICKER: JSTN) issued a prepared statement expressing doubts about the tender offer by the Sutherland Group.

-30- 355
#90330c0063 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY BRADY ASSOCIATES OWNS 2,398,657 SHARES (18.80%) OF NORTEK INC. (TICKER: NTK) OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Bready intends to propose to the board of the issuer that it review its various operations and dispose of non performing assets.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Brady Associates, et al. purchased 31,326 common and 2,981 special shares from

Dawson for $9.50 per share. On Nov. 21, 1990, Brady Associates, et al. purchased 10,800 common shares for $3.38 per share.

-30- 706
#90330c0064 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

N. SCHWARTZBERG OWNS 319,166 SHARES (6.27%) OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB) OF BROOKLYN, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 7, 1990, pursuant to a purchasers' purchase agreement, and with insurance proceeds received from certain insurance polices on the life of Mr. Strober in the amount of $11,264,365, certain officers and former officers of the company purchased an aggregate of 1,457,227 shares, of which Mr. Schwartzberg purchased 152,459 shares, from the estate of Eric D. Strober. On Nov. 8, 1990, Mr. Schwartzberg entered into a purchase agreement with Sue Strober pursuant to which Ms. Strober acquired 22,913 shares from Mr. Schwartzberg a price of $7.73 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 948
#90330c0065 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY P. CUNDILL & ASSOCIATES BERMUDA LTD OWNS 500,000 SHARES (12.20%) OF MICRODYNE CORP.(TICKER: MCDY) OF OCALA, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

P. Cundill & Associates, et al. have entered into a letter agreement under which PCB provides investment management services to PCA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

P. Cundill & Associates, et al. purchased 75,000 shares from Oct. 17 to Nov. 12, 1990 for $3.25 to $3.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Shares acquired in ordinary course of business.

-30- 710
#90330c0066 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY P. WILMERDING OWNS 237,100 SHARES (9.39%) OF USA BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: USAB) OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 9, 1990, P. Wilmerding, et al. filed with the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston the prior notice required to acquire up to 24.9 percent of the common stock of USA Bancorp. Inc.. Pursuant to a written put and call agreement dated Oct. 26, 1990, Wilmerding will have the option to purchase from Crosby the lesser of 25 percent of the shares Crosby purchases after Aug. 29, 1990 or $250,000 worth, based on the average cost per share of shares purchased from Aug. 29, 1990 and Nov. 30, 1992.

-30- 848
#90330c0068 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 8, 1990, 3,657,692 shares were acquired by United New Jersey Bank pursuant to an order by a Texas bankruptcy court as partial satisfaction of the bank's claims against Pratt Hotel(TICKER: PHC). The shares were valued at $.30 per share.

-30- 462
#90330c0069 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Norbrook Holdings BV sold its shares on Nov. 15, 1990 for an undisclosed

amount.

PURPOSE:

Sale of securities.

-30- 320
#90330c0070 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 381,400 SHARES (57.34%) OF THE LVI GROUP INC.(TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Gamco Investors Inc. sold 3,000 shares on Nov. 20, 1990 for $.33 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 460
#90330c0071 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 1,806,138 SHARES (17.20%) OF BHC COMMUNICATIONS INC.(TICKER: BHC) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 1 to Nov. 19, 1990, Gamco Investors, et al. purchased 61,858 shares for $40.75 to $44.88 per share and sold 6,338 shares for $41.00 to $44.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 589
#90330c0072 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 1,486,655 SHARES (17.27%) OF C-TEC CORP.(TICKER: CTEX) OF WILKES-BARRE, PENNSYLVANIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 31 to Nov. 20, 1990, Gamco Investors, et al. purchased 82,435 shares for $11.88 to $14.18 per share and sold 1,400 shares for $14 per share; and purchased 10,470 convertible preferred shares and sold 900 convertible preferred shares for $16.13 to $17 and $16.25 per share, respectively.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 710
#90330c0073 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

J.H. HARLAND CO. OF DECATUR, GEORGIA OWNS 1,279,736 SHARES (51.00%) OF COURIER DISPATCH GROUP (TICKER: CDGI) OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 7, 1990, the board of Courier Dispatch Group rejected an offer by Harland to acquire Courier Dispatch Group for $3.75 per share. Harland might discuss a new proposal with the board of Courier Dispatch Group but does not intend to make a tender offer without the consent of the board.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.H. Harland Co. purchased 675,986 shares for $4 per share.

PURPOSE:

Possible merger.

-30- 776
#90330c0074 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

T.A. TURNER OWNS 810,000 SHARES (5.26%) OF ZENOX INC.(TICKER: ZENO) OF ATLANTA GEORGIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

T.A. Turner acquired 500,000 shares on Nov. 9, 1990 as a result of the failure by Zenox Inc. to make payments when due under a $248,000 promissory note held by T.A. Turner. On Nov. 16, 1990, T.A. Turner acquired an additional 310,000 shares pursuant to the exercise of a warrant issued by Zenox to T.A. Turner as additional consideration for the loan. Zenox Inc. has agreed to issue an additional 700,000 shares to T.A. Turner if payment deadlines set for Nov. 30, 1990 to Feb. 28, 1991 are not met.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 844
#90330c0076 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:31 that trade in Mentor Corp.(NASDAQ: MNTR) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 11 3/4.

-30- 314
#90330c0077 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:00 that trade in Grubb & Ellis Realty Income Trust (NASDAQ: GRIT) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/2; down 1 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 379
#90330c0078 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:01 that trade in Mentor Corp.(NASDAQ: MNTR) has been resumed. The first sale was 12 3/8; up 5/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 336
#90330c0079 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY CD SPANGLER CONSTRUCTION CO. OWNS 8,019,481 SHARES (7.80%) OF NCNB CORP.(TICKER: NCB) OF CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 18 to Nov. 19, 1990, CD Spangler Construction Co., et al. purchased 4,401,200 shares for $19.50 to $25.04 per share and options for 150 shares at $1.03 to $2.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 589
#90330c0080 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY AIRLIE GROUP LP OWNS 4,090,521 SHARES (4.60%) OF FIRST EXECUTIVE CORP.(TICKER: FEXC) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Airlie Group LP, et al. purchased 215,000 shares from Sept. 28 to Oct. 2, 1990 for $.66 to $.78 per share and sold 500,000 shares on Nov. 16, 1990 for $.36 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 565
#90330c0081 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY M. DEMATTEO CONSTRUCTION CO. DBP & TRUST OWNS 575,000 SHARES (11.50%) OF DESIGNS INC.(TICKER: DESI) OF CHESTNUT HILL, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

M. Dematteo Construction Co. DBP & Trust, et al. purchased 385,700 shares from Aug. 18, 1989 to Aug. 31, 1990 for $3.31 to $5.41 per share and purchased 5,800 shares from Nov. 7-9, 1990 for $5.19 to $5.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 642
#90330c0082 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY MESIROW CAPITAL PARTNERS I OWNS 2,379,665 SHARES (57.00%) OF ZENTEC CORP.(TICKER: ZENT) OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a Sept. 10, 1990 purchase agreement, on Nov. 9, 1990, Mesirow Capital Partners I's acquired 7,260 series B preferred shares in exchange for cancelling $181,500 in indebtedness to Mesirow Capital Partners I and acquired 33,000 series B preferred and 33,000 series B preferred shares in exchange for 66,000 series A preferred shares. The series B shares are convertible into common at $.50 per share and the series C is convertible into common at $2.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 877
#90330c0084 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:45 that trade in International Mobil Machines Corp. (NASDAQ: IMMC) has been resumed. The first sale was 4 1/2; unchanged from the halt, and down 1/8 point from the previous close.

-30- 395
#90330c0085 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY CENTRAL NATIONAL-GOTTESMAN INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 3,635,000 SHARES (15.63%) OF PROSPECT GROUP INC.(TICKER: PROS) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Central National-Gottesman Inc. purchased 235,000 shares from Oct. 31 to Nov. 15, 1990 for $2.32 to $2.44 per share.

-30- 511
#90330c0086 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY HII INVESTMENT CORP. OWNS 1,000,000 SHARES (12.50%) OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC.(TICKER: HII) OF AUSTIN, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 5, 1990, Investment partially exercised a warrant it received from Healthcare International Inc. on Oct. 31, 1989. Investment exercised the warrant to acquire 400,000 shares of Healthcare International Inc.'s class B common for $.238 per share. On Nov. 1, 1990, James Fariss Jr. died and his 1,451,600 class B shares automatically converted to class A shares. The exercise of the warrant was to ensure that the class B common continued to constitute more than 12.5 percent of the common shares outstanding.

PURPOSE:

Stock transfer agreement.

-30- 929
#90330c0087 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY ASK SHAREHOLDERS COMMITTEE OWNS 1,403,100 SHARES (7.45%) OF ASK COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: ASKI) OF MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Lennane, Bowers and Cresci have dissolved the Committee in connection with the solicitation of proxies to obtain control of ASK's board. Subsequent to this filing, Shareholders Committee, et al. are terminating the joint filing agreement and power of attorney dated Sept. 27, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Shareholders Committee, et al.purchased 120,000 shares on Oct. 23-25, 1990 for $5.79 to $7.20 per share.

-30- 796
#90330c0088 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY PROVIDENCE CAPITOL ENTERPRISES INC. OWNS 177,000 SHARES (8.77%) OF FIRST NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. OF LOGANSPORT, INDIANA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Providence Capitol Enterprises, et al.granted a right of first refusal to purchase its shares to Banque Worms & Co. International Ltd. on Nov. 2, 1990.

-30- 522
#90330c0089 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

D. BLECH TRUSTEE OWNS 4,777,166 SHARES (42.30%) OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN) OF LANGHORNE, PENNSYLVANIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

D. Blech Trustee purchased 138,500 shares from Sept. 21 to Nov. 15, 1990 for $1.03 to $2.44 per share.

-30- 432
#90330c0090 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

BAKER FENTRESS & CO OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS OWNS 1,442,222 SHARES (28.90%) OF ZENTEC CORP.(TICKER: ZENT) OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This amendment is filed to correct the statement in the previous amendment that 3,000 shares were purchased 60 days prior to amendment no. 1. The statement was erroneously carried over from the original filing in 1987.

-30- 572
#90330c0092 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

BEAR STEARNS COS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 396,025 SHARES (5.10%) OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC.(TICKER: WHLS) OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Bear Stearns bought 844,925 shares and sold 448,900 shares between Nov. 6 and Nov. 13, 1990 for $19.75 to $20.88 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 516
#90330c0093 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

P.N. BARKER OF PRATT, KANSAS OWNS 198,591 SHARES (9.29%) OF WESTERN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WSTF) OF OVERLAND PARK, KANSAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Barker's holdings include 27,431 shares owned by the Pratt Surgical Group Money Purchase Pension Plan. Barker is the plan's trustee.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 29 to Oct. 30, 1990, P.N. Barker bought 20,000 shares at $.88 to $1.00 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 627
#90330c0094 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 23

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Kansas Power and Light Co. and Kansas Gas and Electric (TICKER: KGE) filed a merger application with the Kansas Corporation Commission and have asked for a $15 million electric rate increase to KG&E customers after the merger.

-30- 459
#90330c0097 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.R. MCCORMICK TRIBUNE FOUNDATION OWNS 1,030,960 SHARES (12.70%) OF LAKE SHORE BANCORP. INC.(TICKER: LSNB) OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The transfer by the Trust of all of its assets, including 1,030,960 shares of common stock, to the Foundation was a gratuitous transfer designed to more effectively carry out the charitable intent of the original donor. The Foundation did not purchase the assets of the Trust but merely accepted such assets to carry on the charitable activities previously conducted by the Trust. The Foundation has assumed the liabilities and outstanding obligations of the Trust as well.

PURPOSE:

Transfer of all of the assets of the Trust to the Foundation to take advantage of the flexibility and efficiency of the corporate form and the relative clarity of the applicable laws.

-30- 1049
#90330c0098 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 18,589,768 SHARES (70.00%) OF PHOENIX RESOURCE COS INC.(TICKER: PHN) OF OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to Section 228 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, on Nov. 16, 1990, Goldman Sachs delivered a written consent to the Company at its principal executives offices removing Arthur Lipper III as a member of the

board of directors of the Company.

PURPOSE:

Removal of a member of the Company's board of directors.

-30- 713
#90330c0099 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.R. MCCORMICK TRIBUNE FOUNDATION OWNS 11,391,592 SHARES (17.80%) OF TRIBUNE CO.(TICKER: TRB) OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The transfer by the Trust of all of its assets, including 11,391,592 shares of common stock, to the Foundation was a gratuitous transfer designed to more effectively carry out the charitable intent of the original donor. The Foundation did not purchase the assets of the Trust but merely accepted such assets to carry on the charitable activities previously conducted by the Trust. The Foundation has assumed the liabilities and outstanding obligations of the Trust as well.

PURPOSE:

Transfer of all of the assets of the Trust to the Foundation to take advantage of the flexibility and efficiency of the corporate form and the relative clarity of the applicable laws.

-30- 1040
#90330c0100 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY J.H. REICH OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 263,000 SHARES (15.50%) OF TECH/OPS SEVCON INC.(TICKER: TOC) OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 7 through Nov. 8, 1990, J.H. Reich, et al. purchased 10,000 shares at a price of $7.75 to $8 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 515
#90330c0102 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GROUP LED BY CP HOLDINGS LTD. OF WATFORD, ENGLAND OWNS 3,068,250 SHARES (21.30%) OF AMPAL AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP.(TICKER: AIS) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 18, 1990 Bernard and Gideon Schreier were elected to Ampal American Israel Corp.'s board of directors. CP Holdings LTD., et al. stake would increase to 3,356,658 shares if the preferred stock is converted.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 2 and Oct. 25, 1990 CP Holdings LTD., et al. purchased 91,100 shares at $1.50 to $2.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

To increase the size of CP Holdings LTD., et al.'s minority interest in Ampal American Israel Corp. and to increase CP Holdings LTD., et al.'s significance as a shareholder.

-30- 938
#90330c0103 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GROUP LED BY CP HOLDINGS LTD. OF WATFORD, ENGLAND OWNS 96,136 SHARES (5.75%) OF AMPAL AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP.(TICKER: AIS) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 18, 1990 Bernard and Gideon Schreier were elected to Ampal American Israel Corp.'s board of directors. CP Holdings LTD., et al.s stake would increase to 3,356,658 shares if the preferred stock is converted.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 2 and Oct. 25, 1990 CP Holdings LTD., et al. purchased 91,100 shares at $1.50 to $2.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

To increase the size of CP Holdings LTD., et al.'s minority interest in Ampal American Israel Corp. and to increase CP Holdings LTD., et al.'s significance as a shareholder.

-30- 934
#90330c0104 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 24

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Kansas Power and Light Co. and Kansas Gas and Electric (TICKER: KGE) filed a merger application with the Kansas Corporation Commission and a joint motion to deny the application of KCPL and establish a new procedural schedule.

-30- 456
#90330c0105 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Receptech Corp.(TICKER: RECP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended	Nine Months Ended
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1990
REVENUES	$332,740	$1,135,645
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,860,028)	$(6,685,381)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.25)	$(2.92)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,290,000	2,290,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$16,299,903	$23,603,784

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,510,875	$22,193,361

The company's executive address is 51 University Street, Seattle, Washington 98101, and its telephone number is (206) 587-0430.

-30- 1267

#90330c0106 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Drug Screens Inc.(TICKER: ADSI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,354,632	$1,175,679
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(20,350)	$144,164
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,334,750	7,991,305

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,731,289	$3,928,289
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,989,533	$2,255,688

-30- 1084

#90330c0107 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Twin Star Productions Inc.(TICKER: TWIN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$11,924,836	$6,332,966
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(562,439)	$(449,114)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,211,675	1,700,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,557,168	$5,489,155
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,361,700	$(274,342)

-30- 1010

#90330c0108 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by 1st Bancorp.(TICKER: FBCV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$202,000	$84,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.52	$0.22

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$218,425,000	$220,511,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,156,000	$6,951,000

-30- 788

#90330c0110 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sellersville Savings & Loan Association. (TICKER: SLRV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$293,573	$214,095
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.35	$0.26

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$128,893,319	$130,974,084
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,576,477	$15,308,540

-30- 846

#90330c0111 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Barringer Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: BALB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,520,000	$1,827,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(17,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,000	$304,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.24
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,183,333	1,259,034

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,097,000	$4,221,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,367,000	$2,401,000

-30- 1099

#90330c0112 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by RoSPATCH Corp.(TICKER: RPCH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$18,511,800	$18,933,700
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$231,800	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(50,000)	$(3,250,000)

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,172,900	$(2,335,400)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.46	$(0.93)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,526,900	2,526,900

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$49,808,400	$52,492,600
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$32,110,400	$31,300,400

-30- 1101

#90330c0113 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by For Better Living Inc.(TICKER: FBTR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30 1989
REVENUES	$23,804,000	$22,540,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$610,000	$348,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.67	$0.38
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	907,211	923,360

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 29, 1990	Dec. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$47,963,000	$47,422,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,801,000	$16,312,000

-30- 1088

#90330c0114 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Westport Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: WBAT)

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(544,000)	$(4,051,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.26)	$(1.91)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,121,000	2,119,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$270,660,000	$285,199,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,137,000	$18,337,000

-30- 874

#90330c0115 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Gerrity Oil & Gas Corp.(TICKER: GOIL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,230,000	$4,052,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$152,000	$753,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,000,000	

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$29,267,000	$28,099,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$20,081,000	$22,575,000

-30- 1045

#90330c0116 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Chempower Inc.(TICKER: CHEM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$13,792,000	$19,385,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$217,000	$1,697,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.23
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,257,406	7,264,333

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$32,298,000	$27,882,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$28,053,000	$24,721,000

-30- 1066

#90330c0118 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by ACAP Corp.(TICKER: ACAP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,485,426	$3,807,295
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$157,317	$(106,752)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$(0.05)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$79,981,662	$81,753,107
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,455,635	$6,165,824

-30- 991

#90330c0119 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Fortune National Corp.(TICKER: FRNC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,526,349	$3,838,078
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$161,026	$(20,551)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$79,656,527	$81,397,098
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,016,105	$4,858,603

-30- 1017
#90330c0120 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by National Banc of Commerce Co.(TICKER: NBCC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,459,000	$1,667,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.24	$0.27
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,115,000	6,200,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$637,780,000	$629,635,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$70,177,000	$69,602,000

-30- 886
#90330c0121 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Environmental Power Corp.(TICKER: POWR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$308,691	$70,353
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$32,519	$(547,952)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,610,783	7,610,783

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$25,198,864	$21,112,207
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,670,865	$1,895,408

The company's executive address is 53 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02109, and its telephone number is (617) 720-5550.

-30- 1229
#90330c0122 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Western Acceptance Corp.(TICKER: WACP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$509,000	$301,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(415,000)	$(32,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.24)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,745,418	1,286,083

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,434,000	$4,622,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,548,000	$1,579,000

-30- 1120

#90330c0123 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Magic Years Child Care and Learning Centers Inc. (TICKER: KIDS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,953,152	$1,898,977
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(230,491)	$(605,299)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.14)	$(0.37)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,668,434	1,630,072

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,160,150	$5,059,400
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$620,295	$984,323

-30- 1164

#90330c0124 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Radiation Disposal Systems Inc.(TICKER: RDIS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$80,484	$0.00

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(76,750)	$(152,424)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,977,495	9,997,495

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$789,758	$1,171,923
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$668,171	$1,114,234

-30- 1101

#90330c0126 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Swift Transportation Co. Inc.(TICKER: SWFT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$41,179,000	$31,848,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,893,000	$1,334,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.27	$0.25
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,974,000	5,300,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$89,367,000	$87,239,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$38,316,000	$11,688,000

The company's executive office is located at 5601 West Mohave, Phoenix, Arizona 85031 and its telephone number is (602) 269-9700.

-30- 1254

#90330c0127 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Kent Financial Services Inc.(TICKER: KENT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$741,000	$836,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$108,000	$529,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(377,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(4,695,000)	$246,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.69)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,818,000	7,262,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$28,502,000	$34,490,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,867,000	$21,740,000

-30- 1102
#90330c0128 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Melamine Chemicals Inc.(TICKER: MTWO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,193,621	$9,731,117
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$657,946	$1,482,814
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	$0.27
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,450,000	5,455,769

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$45,909,875	$45,213,940
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$36,831,899	$36,500,953

-30- 1134
#90330c0129 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by California Financial Holding Co.(TICKER: CFHC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,701,455	$939,208
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.42	$0.23

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,047,272,023	$1,019,737,164
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$60,092,007	$54,748,613

-30- 833
#90330c0130 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Opticorp Inc.(TICKER: LOOK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$148,530	$180,316
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(384,208)	$(505,062)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	19,873,222	7,608,119

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,827,266	$2,097,683
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$554,818	$937,508

-30- 1089
#90330c0131 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Wavemat Inc.(TICKER: WVMT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$165,479	$484,098
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(439,570)	$(154,097)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.31)	$(0.11)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,405,697	1,405,697

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,236,480	$2,043,198
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$(80,563)	$701,036

-30- 1047
#90330c0132 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Gehl Co.(TICKER: GEHL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$42,486,000	$37,725,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,931,000	$1,223,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.32	$0.30

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$184,215,000	$150,220,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$76,754,000	$71,408,000

-30- 1010

#90330c0134 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Republic Pictures Corp.(TICKER: RPIC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,954,000	$11,451,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(389,000)	$226,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$0.05
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,332,000	4,333,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$68,965,000	$46,160,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,312,000	$18,283,000

-30- 1111

#90330c0135 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Interferon Sciences Inc.(TICKER: IFSC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$69,270	$84,804
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,860,625)	$1,514,566)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.30)	$(0.28)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,225,799	5,453,275

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$11,834,238	$6,890,184
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$2,392,595	$(1,831,222)

-30- 1089

#90330c0136 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Bancorporation of Ohio.(TICKER: FBOH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$7,781,000	$9,302,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.62	$0.74
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,554,266	12,552,939

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,670,602,000	$3,618,017,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$303,929,000	$291,622,000

-30- 906

#90330c0137 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Duratek Corp.(TICKER: DRTK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$733,022	$1,139,843
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$(35,000)
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(892,464)	$(93,588)
GAIN ON DISPOSAL OF BUSINESS	$2,619,071	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,409,442	$(434,661)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.37	$(0.11)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,677,003	$6,742,335
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,416,100	$5,501,728

-30- 1092

#90330c0138 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Evergreen Resources Inc.(TICKER: EVER).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,057,408	$768,836
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$142,207	$46,822
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,042,866	1,966,617

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$17,372,890	$15,429,151
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,405,862	$14,249,289

-30- 1090

#90330c0139 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Professional Bancorp.(TICKER: MDBK)

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$163,317	$253,774
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.25	$0.29

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$144,215,736	$132,639,741
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,427,412	$6,949,232

-30- 810

#90330c0140 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Asiamerica Equitrest Ltd.(TICKER: ASIA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,790,217	$5,553,170
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$442,906	$1,301,715
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$0.15

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$70,323,564	$69,506,317
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$46,323,274	$40,864,058

-30- 1024

#90330c0142 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Universal Medical Buildings LP.(TICKER: UMB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$28,804,362	$17,427,873
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$128,411	$(3,379,724)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.36)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,476,707	9,328,229

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$54,320,098	$55,930,741
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,090,585	$12,170,108

-30- 1117

#90330c0143 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Encore Group (TICKER: EGRP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,481,000	$1,406,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(9,000)	$(24,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(237,000)	$198,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,112,848	5,710,264

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,970,000	$3,300,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,263,000	$1,599,000

-30- 1081

#90330c0144 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Coral Companies Inc.(TICKER: COCI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$749,353	$3,073,423
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(744,937)	$125,692
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	19,061,245	15,681,079

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,575,503	$6,763,018
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,931,545	$4,576,647

-30- 1076

#90330c0145 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ameralia Inc.(TICKER: AALA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Sept. 28, 1990	Sept. 28, 1989
REVENUES	$1,000	$12,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(104,000)	$(172,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	50,201,000	30,299,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 28, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,937,000	$2,751,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,586,000	$726,000

Figures are reported in Australian dollars.

-30- 1124
#90330c0146 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by B&H Bulk Carriers Ltd.(TICKER: BULK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,845,828	$3,403,040
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$29,901	$916,055
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.45
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,040,000	2,040,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$16,344,440	$17,341,077
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,409,031	$11,384,503

-30- 1083
#90330c0147 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Compliance Recycling Industries Inc. (TICKER: CRIK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$375,457	$231,536
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$32,729
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(171,784)	$(53,514)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,473,294	8,496,294

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$632,979	$728,601
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$415	$392,091

-30- 1108

#90330c0148 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 26) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:21 that trade in BFS Bankorp Inc.(NASDAQ: BFSI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 6 3/4. The company is located in New York, New York.

-30- 341

#90330c0150 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Evergreen Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: EVGN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,374,000	$2,414,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.50	$0.52
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,702,527	4,601,142

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$849,723,000	$771,970,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$68,560,000	$63,691,000

-30- 889

#90330c0151 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Denpac Corp.(TICKER: DNPC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$279,990	$551,215
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(130,328)	$(180,477)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,153,558	3,173,906

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,589,058	$2,047,761
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$690,536	$1,075,816

-30- 1055

#90330c0152 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Control Resource Industries Inc.(TICKER: CRIX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,865,000	$8,115,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$114,000	$198,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,034,000	5,296,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$23,249,000	$23,633,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,615,000	$18,844,000

-30- 1105

#90330c0153 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Deucalion Research Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$240
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(27,927)	$(63,608)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	504,010,127	507,868,822

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$449,570	$557,864
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$135,872	$299,404

The company's executive address is 702 East 4th Street, Williston, North Dakota 58801, and its telephone number is (701) 572-6680.

-30- 1208

#90330c0154 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Europa Cruises Corp.(TICKER: KRUZ).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,076,354	$2,025,952
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(636,529)	$216,262
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,765,369	$7,861,164
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,567,923	$4,108,094

The company's executive address is 909 East Cervantes Street, Suite A, Pensacola, Florida 32501-3213.

Its telephone number is (904) 438-9785.

-30- 1189

#90330c0155 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Federal Savings Bank of Defuniak Springs. (TICKER: FSBD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$19,821	$33,619
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$0.06

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$88,511,449	$89,813,879
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,092,112	$6,002,277

-30- 849

#90330c0156 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sector Associates Ltd.(TICKER: SXTR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,288,601	$3,147,680
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(538,731)	$76,360
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	21,088,708	18,600,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,911,790	$7,254,657
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,646,327	$1,784,531

-30- 1082

#90330c0158 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Command Credit Corp.(TICKER: CDMD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,119	$11,525
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(852,562)	$(714,104)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.06)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,800,451	$2,717,719
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,686,776	$2,533,857

The company reports that it is a development stage enterprise and since its inception, its operations have been centered around its organization, evaluation of the credit card industry, start-up financing of its operations, and formulation and implementation of its business plan.

Its executive address is 189 Sunrise Hwy., Rockville Centre, New York 11570, and its telephone number is (516) 764-1117.

-30- 1414

#90330c0159 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - Car Mart Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 700,000 units.

Each unit consists of two shares of Class A common stock and two Class A warrants.

The initial public offering price is $6.00 per unit.

D.H. Blair & Co. Inc. is underwriting the offering.

Car Mart commenced operations in June, 1988.

The company's business presently consists of purchasing retail installment contracts from automobile dealers at a discount and reselling those contracts to banks at a profit.

The company's executive office is located at 370 17th Street, Suite 5060, Denver, Colorado 80202 and its telephone number is (303) 592-4311.

-30- 862

#90330c0160 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - Valley Resources Inc.(TICKER: VR) filed a form S-3 registration statement with the NASD relating to 90,000 shares of the company's common stock to be offered by a selling shareholder of Valley Resources.

The selling shareholder is South County Capital Corp.

Upon completion of the offering, South County Capital will own 68,010 shares of Valley Resources, or 1.6 percent of its outstanding common shares.

Edward D. Jones & Co. is underwriting the offering.

Valley Resources is a Rhode Island public utility holding company.

-30- 728

#90330c0161 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - Trans-Global Resources NL (TICKER: TGBR) filed a Form 20-F with the NASD stating it earned $2.52 million, at an unknown price per share, on revenues of $228.54 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $498.02 million, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $311.81 million in fiscal 1989.

Trans-Global is engaged in the business of exploration and development of mineral prospects in Australia.

NOTE: All amounts in Australian dollars.

-30- 671
#90330c0162 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by TLM Corp.(TICKER: TLMT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$267,382	$531,133
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(113,622)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(759,950)	$178,107
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.18)	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,252,026	4,679,200

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,731,402	$9,416,531
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,552,874	$7,952,805

-30- 1069
#90330c0163 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Capital Reserve Corp.(TICKER: CRCA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$554,314	$594,006
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(66,818)	$118,039
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,460,500	6,460,500

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,794,048	$13,645,702
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,681,590	$1,918,224

-30- 1071

#90330c0164 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Carenetwork Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$31,568,751	$22,089,358
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$187,940
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$874,138	$309,900
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.34	$0.13
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,562,933	2,374,640

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$28,059,109	$16,868,134
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,867,066	$2,078,066

The company's executive office is located at 111 West Pleasant Street, Milwaukee, WI 53212 and its telephone number is (414) 223-3300.

-30- 1203

#90330c0166 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 21:

H & S Treat & Release Inc. - Wts 8/14/92 (TRREW)
Metropolitan Financial Corp. - Units 11/20/2000 (MPCNU)
Universal Holding Corp. - Wts 6/29/93 (UHCOW)

-30- 379

#90330c0167 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 21:

Digitext Inc. (DIGTE); Not current in required filings
The Hitech Engineering Co. Inc. (THEQE); Same as above
Script Systems - Units (SCPTU), Wts (SCPTW); Components no longer qualify
Techniclone International (TCLNC); Capital & Surplus below minimum

-30- 481

#90330c0168 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 23:

Leak-X Corp. (LEAKC) to (LEAK)
Morgro Chemical Co. (MRGRE) to (MRGR)
Pharmakinetics Laboratories Inc. (PKLB) to (PKLBQ)

-30- 351

#90330c0169 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - Y.M. CHIN OF 83 WESTFIELD AVE, CLARK, NEW JERSEY 07066, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF UTI CHEMICAL INC.(TICKER: UTIC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 19, 1990.

(UTI CHEMICAL INC. TEL: 714 837-0800)

-30- 403

#90330c0170 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.S. OKITA OF 44 PROSPECT AVE, MONCLAIR, NEW JERSEY 07042, HAS FILED TO SELL 240,000 SHARES OF GUARANTEED TUNE UP INC.(TICKER: GTUI) THROUGH PAULSON INVESTMENT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 15, 1990.

(GUARANTEED TUNE UP INC. TEL: 201 403-1996)

-30- 435

#90330c0171 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. SELLAND OF 735 1ST ST SOUTH #303, KIRKLAND, WASHINGTON 98053, HAS FILED TO SELL 85,000 SHARES OF GOLDEN STATE CAP CORP. THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP.

THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 19, 1990.

(GOLDEN STATE CAP CORP. TEL: 619 259-0100)

-30- 413
#90330c0172 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A.F. DUDZINSKI OF 79 GLENWAY DRIVE, TINTON FALLS, NEW JERSEY 07724, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF SPARTA SURGICAL CORP. THROUGH MH MEYERSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 13, 1990.

(SPARTA SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 415 887-7717)

-30- 418
#90330c0174 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.R. MILLER OF 3064 WEST 2900 SOUTH, OGDEN, UTAH 84401, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC.(TICKER: WSFG) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 19, 1990.

(WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC. TEL: 801 782-8888)

-30- 431
#90330c0175 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L. REDD OF 6629 SOUTH BUENA VISTA DR, OGDEN, UTAH 84405, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC.(TICKER: WSFG) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 19, 1990.

(WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC. TEL: 801 782-8888)

-30- 428
#90330c0176 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOSACK OF 590 THIAN WAY, PALO ALTO, CA 94306, HAS FILED TO SELL 112,500 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 410
#90330c0177 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SANDRA K LERNER OF 1243 LAUREL ST #B, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 112,500 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 418
#90330c0178 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEO GERBER OF 29 WESTON PLACE, LAWRENCE, NY 11559, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,677 SHARES OF NYCOM INFORMATION SERVICES INC. (TICKER: NYCM) THROUGH PAINE, WEBBER, JACKSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(NYCOM INFORMATION SERVICES INC. TEL: 203 322-7300)

-30- 439
#90330c0179 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HUTCHESON & CO OF 196 MARLBOROUGH ST, BOSTON, MA 02116, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,500 SHARES OF PICTURETEL CORP. (TICKER: PCTL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(PICTURETEL CORP. TEL: 508 977-9500)

-30- 407
#90330c0180 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS D MARTINEZ OF 2647 LONGBOAT COVE, DEL MAR, CA 92014, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF KENTANA DEVELOPMENT INC. (TICKER: KDII) THROUGH WASHINGTON INVMT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(KENTANA DEVELOPMENT INC. TEL: 214 879-7471)

-30- 439
#90330c0182 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIETH E SORENSON OF 22261 KENDLE ST, CUPERTINO, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 393
#90330c0183 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID M SMITH OF 14152 DOVENE COURT, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 392
#90330c0184 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD J EGAN OF 171 SOUTH ST, 0, HOPKINTON, MA 01748, HAS FILED TO SELL 31,100 SHARES OF EMC CORP. (MA) (TICKER: EMC) THROUGH W H NEWBOLDS & SON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(EMC CORP. (MA) TEL: 508 435-1000)

-30- 396
#90330c0185 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T COLEMAN ANDREWS III OF 6720 WEMBERLY WAY, MCLEAN, VA 22101, HAS FILED TO SELL 111,111 SHARES OF WORLDCORP. (TICKER: WOA) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(WORLDCORP. TEL: 703 834-9200)

-30- 401
#90330c0186 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW D ALOIO OF 2001 WEST MAIN STREET, SUITE #195, STAMFORD, CT 06902, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF DAWN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: DAWN) THROUGH STRATTON OAKMONT INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(DAWN CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 203 961-1928)

-30- 429
#90330c0187 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S GRAY STEIFEL JR OF 4108 HOBBS ROAD, GREENSBORO, NC 27410, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,771 SHARES OF OAKWOOD HOMES CORP. (TICKER: OH) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(OAKWOOD HOMES CORP. TEL: 919 855-2400)

-30- 413
#90330c0188 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT J SHILLMAN OF 15 CRAWFORD ST, NEEDHAM, MA 02194, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF COGNEX CORP. (TICKER: CGNX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(COGNEX CORP. TEL: 617 449-6030)

-30- 395
#90330c0190 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COLEMAN W LAFRANCE OF 1042 COLONIAL WAY, TUSTIN, CA 92680, HAS FILED TO SELL 64,000 SHARES OF LUTHER MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: LUTH) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(LUTHER MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 714 544-3002)

-30- 433
#90330c0191 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HALTER VENTURE CORP OF 7441 MARVIN D LOVE FRWY #2000, DALLAS, TX 75237, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CONSOLIDATED AMERICAN INDS INC. (TICKER: COAM) THROUGH HILL THOMPSON MAGID. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(CONSOLIDATED AMERICAN INDS INC. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 472
#90330c0192 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL H MASLAK OF 1220 CHARLESTON ROAD, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

-30- 403
#90330c0193 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAYWOOD SMITH OF 1215 CHERRY RD, MEMPHIS, TN 38117, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 418
#90330c0194 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J DOUGLAS KANNAPELL OF 401 SPRINGWOOD LANE, LOUISVILLE, KY 40207, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(RALLY'S INC. TEL: 502 245-8900)

-30- 406
#90330c0195 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALAN N LINKER OF 2004 LONG KNIFE CT, LOUISVILLE, KY 40207, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,600 SHARES OF HOH WATER TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: HOHI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(HOH WATER TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 805 499-0507)

-30- 440
#90330c0196 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES S GATEWOOD OF BOX #506, MT STERLING, KY 40353, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,658 SHARES OF HOH WATER TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: HOHI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(HOH WATER TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 805 499-0507)

-30- 436
#90330c0198 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN PENNINGTON OF 10490 E GARVEY, SO ELMONTE, CA 91734, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,680 SHARES OF CENTURY MEDICORP. (TICKER: CEMC) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(CENTURY MEDICORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 418
#90330c0199 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE R JENSEN JR OF 111 GLEN HARDIE CORP CTR, WAYNE, PA 19087, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 688-1322)

-30- 455
#90330c0200 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALDEN INVESTORS OF 750 BATTERY STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,253 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 403
#90330c0201 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAPITAL SEQUOIA IV OF 3000 SANDMILL ROAD, SUITE #280, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 250,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16,

1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 438
#90330c0202 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD A GALANTI OF 1800 BELLEVUE WAY NE, BELLEVUE, WA 98004, HAS FILED TO SELL 34,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 429
#90330c0203 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S STEEL & CARNEGIE PENSION F OF 767 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10153, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(USX CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 417
#90330c0204 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S STEEL & CARNEGIE PENSION F OF 767 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10153, HAS FILED TO SELL 307,400 SHARES OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(USX CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 419
#90330c0206 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S STEEL & CARNEGIE PENSION F OF 767 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10153, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(USX CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 419
#90330c0207 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BERGER D L TTEE OF 14160 DONALDSON PLACE, LOS ALTOS HILLS, CA 94021, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,490 SHARES OF CONAGRA INC. (TICKER: CAG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(CONAGRA INC. TEL: 402 595-4000)

-30- 405
#90330c0208 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOSACK OF 590 THIAN WAY, PALO ALTO, CA 94306, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 409
#90330c0209 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN J MOORES OF P O BOX 1146, C/O BMC SOFTWARE, SUGAR LAND, TX 77487, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 240-8800)

-30- 423
#90330c0210 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARL H WESTCOTT OF C/O WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS, 1303 MARSH LANE, CARROLLTON, TX 75006, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: WCTV) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 214 416-4100)

-30- 476
#90330c0211 11/26/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS G DEVIVO OF 40 LABURNUM, ATHERTON, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ALDUS CORP. (TICKER: ALDC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(ALDUS CORP. TEL: 206 622-5500)

-30- 386
#90330c0212 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - F JOSEPH BACKER OF P O BOX 2002, C/O BMC SOFTWARE, SUGARLAND, TX 77478, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 240-8800)

-30- 424
#90330c0214 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLIVE B DAVIES OF 1176 ST ANTHONY CT, LOS ALTOS, CA 94024, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 408 942-0810)

-30- 430
#90330c0215 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROLAND A DESILVA OF 28 BAYSIDE TER, RIVERSIDE, CT 06878, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF WARRANTECH CORP. (TICKER: WTEC) THROUGH ROBERT M COHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(WARRANTECH CORP. TEL: 203 975-1100)

-30- 408
#90330c0216 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED B TARTER OF 9 DAVIS DRIVE, ARMONK, NY 10504, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF VENTURA ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LTD. (TICKER: VEGG) THROUGH

ADVEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(VENTURA ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LTD. TEL: 818 762-8700)

-30- 440
#90330c0217 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK K BRADFORD JR OF 119 WEST SHORE DR, MARBLEHEAD, MA 01945, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,360 SHARES OF INDEX TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: INDX) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(INDEX TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 494-8200)

-30- 436
#90330c0218 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT C DOBKIN OF 17350 CREEKSIDE COURT, MONTE SEVANO, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 408 942-0810)

-30- 437
#90330c0219 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAUGHERTY TRUST OF 2400 CITY CENTER, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 405
#90330c0220 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAUGHERTY KELLEY TRUST OF 2400 CITY CENTER, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 419
#90330c0222 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RHONDA K LUNSFORD OF 2308 CALLE LUMINOSO, SANTA FE, NM 87505, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2400)

-30- 442
#90330c0223 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WOLFGANG A MACK OF 959 SCIOTO DR, FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,500 SHARES OF POLYMERIX INC. (TICKER: PLXX) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(POLYMERIX INC. TEL: 201 633-7600)

-30- 405
#90330c0224 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SIGMA PARTNERS LP-CAL OF 2884 SAND HILL RD, SUITE 121, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX) THROUGH ADAMS HARKNESS & HILL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(BYTEX CORP. TEL: 508 480-0840)

-30- 424
#90330c0225 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK GILBERT OF 4223 LEMP AVE, STUDIO CITY, CA 91604, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,500 SHARES OF JETBORNE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: JETS) THROUGH J ALEXANDER SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(JETBORNE INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 305 635-6060)

-30- 430
#90330c0226 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SWANSON TRUST OF 19305 CRISP DRIVE, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 415 942-0810)

-30- 429
#90330c0227 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID M TRAINOR OF 89 GOVERNORS HILL, WEST WARWICK, RI 02893, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH WILLIAM BARTON FINL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 432
#90330c0228 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID L PURDY OF PENLLWYAN, BOX 121 A RD #2, MARION CENTER, PA 15759, HAS FILED TO SELL 102,416 SHARES OF BIOCONTROL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BICO) THROUGH BUTCHER & SINGER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(BIOCONTROL TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 412 349-1811)

-30- 449
#90330c0230 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALDEN INTERNATIONAL II OF 2500 WALSH AVE, SANTA CLARA, CA 95051, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH PAINEWEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 400
#90330c0231 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COLLEGE PRESIDENT AND FE HARVARD OF 600 ATLANTIC AVENUE, C/O MAUREEN S STR BOSTON, MA 02210, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC

ON NOV 19, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 453-7300)

-30- 454
#90330c0232 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE V AUSTIN OF 100 MAIN ST, ASHBURNHAM, MA 01430, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF CHEMDESIGN CORP. (TICKER: CDCC) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(CHEMDESIGN CORP. TEL: 508 345-9999)

-30- 406
#90330c0233 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - & YOUNG ERNST OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,500 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 409
#90330c0234 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WEXNER FOUNDATION OF 41 SOUTH HIGH STREET, COLUMBUS, OH 43215, HAS FILED TO SELL 160,000 SHARES OF THE LIMITED INC. (TICKER: LTD) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(THE LIMITED INC. TEL: 614 479-7000)

-30- 417
#90330c0235 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LESLIE H WEXNER OF TWO LIMITED PWY, COLUMBUS, OH 43230, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,340,000 SHARES OF THE LIMITED INC. (TICKER: LTD) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(THE LIMITED INC. TEL: 614 475-4000)

-30- 408
#90330c0236 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAURICE C THOMPSON JR OF 354 NOD HILL RD, WILTON, CT 06897, HAS FILED TO SELL 65,000 SHARES OF SENIOR SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: SENR) THROUGH GLOBAL AMERICA. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(SENIOR SERVICE CORP. TEL: 203 961-0630)

-30- 411
#90330c0238 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S THOMAS EMERSON OF 334 WEST MOON VALLEY DR, PHOENIX, AZ 85080, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 411
#90330c0239 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL H MASLAK OF 1220 CHARLESTON ROAD, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

-30- 403
#90330c0240 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEAL WILSON OF 3115 MALIJO AVE, TAMPA, FL 33629, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,122 SHARES OF SILK GREENHOUSE INC. (TICKER: SGHI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(SILK GREENHOUSE INC. TEL: 813 622-7886)

-30- 413
#90330c0241 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH L EDLOW OF 245 PARK AVE, C/O BEAR STEARNS & CO, NEW YORK, NY 10167, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. TEL: 212 272-2000)

-30- 457
#90330c0242 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH L ALIOTO OF 2510 PACIFIC AVENUE, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94115, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. TEL: 503 681-0118)

-30- 452
#90330c0243 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - UZI ZUCKER OF 245 PARK AVE, C/O BEAR STEARNS & CO, NEW YORK, NY 10167, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. TEL: 212 272-2000)

-30- 450
#90330c0244 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROGER M MARINO OF 115 LAKE STREET, SHERBOURNE, MA 01770, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF EMC CORP. (MA) (TICKER: EMC) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(EMC CORP. (MA) TEL: 508 435-1000)

-30- 400
#90330c0246 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAPITAL SEQUOIA IV OF 3000 SANDMILL ROAD, SUITE #280, MENLO PARK, CA

94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 250,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 438
#90330c0247 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LARRY J BODEKER OF 1515 ARAPAHOE ST, DENVER, CO 80292, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH RAFCO FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 381
#90330c0248 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL E TENNENBAUM OF 1800 CENTURY PARK EAST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90067, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF TOSCO CORP. (TICKER: TOS) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(TOSCO CORP. TEL: 213 207-6000)

-30- 407
#90330c0249 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S STEEL & CARNEGIE PENSION F OF 767 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10153, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(USX CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 417
#90330c0250 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S STEEL & CARNEGIE PENSION F OF 767 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10153, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(USX CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 417
#90330c0251 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S STEEL & CARNEGIE PENSION F OF 767 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10153, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(USX CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 417
#90330c0252 11/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GENESIS INVESTMENT CORP OF 40 E SOUTH TEMPLE #342, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84111, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF MULTIVEST CORP. (TICKER: MVST) THROUGH AMERN TRADING & INVTMT. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(MULTIVEST CORP. TEL: 212 269-1280)

-30- 435
#90330d0010 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (NOV. 26) - Rock star Mick Jagger and his companion of 12 years, U.S. actress Jerry Hall were wed last week in Bali, Indonesia, the publicist for the Rolling Stones said Monday.

Mr. Jagger had announced in 1983 that the two would wed "any day now."

During a six-week vacation in the Far East, the two celebrated an Indonesian wedding ceremony Wednesday, said Lori Somes of the publicity firm Rogers and Cowan.

The couple's two children Elizabeth, aged 6, and James, aged 5, were present at the wedding.

Mr. Jagger's best man was Alan Dunn, a close friend of the rock star and a former Rolling Stones tour manager.

The British rock star has two other children -- Jade, from his marriage to Bianca Perez Morena de Macias, and Karis, by the actress Marsha Hunt.

-30- 982
#90330d0110 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KATHMANDU (NOV. 26) - Nepalese Prime Minister Krishna Prasad Bhattarai said Monday that India had agreed to purchase power generated from Nepal's 600 million-dollar Arun Three hydroelectric power project.

"This will help us to redress the long-standing trade imbalance with India," Mr. Bhattarai told reporters on his return from New Delhi, where he had stopped off after attending the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation summit in the Maldives.

The construction of Arun Three had been delayed because of India's previous indecision about buying power from the project.

During his visit to New Delhi, Mr. Bhattarai said he held informal talks with his Indian counterpart Mr. Chandra Shekhar regarding bilateral cooperation on other river projects in Nepal.

-30- 955
#90330d0340 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BELGRADE (NOV. 26) - The Croatian government will demand a devaluation of the dinar, the high rate of which is harming the republic's export-oriented economy, Tanyug news agency reported on Monday.

The dinar's parity of seven to the Deutsche mark has remained stable since last December, even though inflation has been more than 100 per cent since that time.

Croatian deputy premier Franjo Greguric said on Monday in Zabreb that a dinar devaluation would give the Croatian economy a six-month respite, enabling it to begin economic restructuring. He also said that Croatia would stop making certain unspecified contributions to the federal budget.

Mr. Greguric illustrated the Croatian economy's difficult situation by pointing out that production had fallen by 10 per cent this year, and investments by 15 per cent.

Last week, Serbia announced a cut in its contribution to the federal budget. Serbia, Crotia and Slovenia have been sharply criticized by the Yugoslav prime minister for indiscipline, endangering the Yugoslav program of reforms based on restrictive anti-inflationary policies.

-30- 1270
#90330d0480 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV 26) - A team of U.S. security experts is inspecting U.S. Government buildings in Beirut to determine if they have been damaged since

U.S. diplomatic personnel pulled out more than a year ago, the State Department said Monday.

The security team arrived in Beirut Sunday for the inspections but it has "no diplomatic business," said spokeswoman Nancy Beck.

She said the United States had not decided to return its diplomatic staff to Beirut. They were evacuated September 5, 1989, after hostile demonstrations erupted there.

"We hope to return our American diplomatic personnel when we can reasonably be assured of their safety and effectiveness," said Ms. Beck.

The inspection follows the swearing in earlier this month of the new U.S. Ambassador to Lebanon, Ryan Crocker.

-30- 998

#90330d0520 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 26) - Senior U.S. and Cuban officials discussed the Gulf crisis in the highest-level meeting between the two countries since they opened diplomatic offices in each other's capitals more than a decade ago, officials said Monday.

The meeting Sunday, a reflection of U.S. concern over the crisis, brought together Under Secretary of State Robert Kimmitt, the third-ranking official at the State Department, and the head of Cuba's dipolmatic mission here, Jose Arbesu.

Until now the most senior U.S. official to meet with the chief Cuban diplomat in Washington was the assistant secretary of state for Latin American affairs.

The meeting Sunday was limited to a discussion of consulations on the Gulf crisis at the United Nations, where Cuba holds one of 10 non-permanent seats on the U.N. Security Council, a spokesman for the Cuban mission said.

A U.S. official said Mr. Kimmitt invited Cuba to a meeting Thursday, at the foreign minister level, during which the United States is to seek approval of a resolution setting a deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait or face military action.

-30- 1320

#90330d0610 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (NOV 26) - Finnish film director and actor Mikko Niskanen, best known for his 1972 work "Eight Deadly Bullets," died here Sunday aged 61, the FNB news agency said.

Born in January 1929, Mr. Niskanen studied film-making in Moscow, where he was subsequently to work on several occasions.

He won prizes at festivals both in Moscow and Edinburgh, Scotland, and also worked for Finnish television.

-30- 594

#90330d0730 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (NOV. 26) - The U.S.-backed rebels of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) killed 1,728 civilians in military actions over the first 10 months of this year -- an average of over 170 per month -- the Angolan government said on Monday.

In a statement carried by the official ANGOP news agency monitored here, the government said 1,695 civilians were injured in UNITA attacks in the same period, while almost 3,000 were kidnapped -- 33 of them never to be seen again.

The statement, issued by the information ministry, said that rebel attacks had destroyed 178 high-voltage electricity pylons, 21 bridges, 281 vehicles and a diamond-washing plant.

They had also damaged three hydro-electric dams, an oil depot and two hospitals and destroyed 2,728 private houses.

-30- 989

#90330d0770 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV 27) - The five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council have reached extensive agreement here on the text of a resolution aimed at stepping up the pressure on the Iraqi government to withdraw its forces from Kuwait.

Diplomats said the draft, to go before the Security Council on Thursday, is based largely on a text formulated by the United States, with phrasing added to give Iraq President Saddam Hussein ''one final opportunity, as a pause of goodwill'' to withdraw.

There were said to be intense negotiations between the five permanent members - the United States, the Soviet Union, China, France and Britain - on when the ultimatum should be set for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait as demanded in earlier U.N. resolutions.

In the discussions which finished late Monday, Washington was reported to have pressed for a January 1 deadline before the United Nations sanctions military force to remove Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

The Soviet Union and France wanted to set the ultimatum for two weeks later,

on January 15, it was reported.

Soviet U.N. ambassador Yuliy Vorontsov said after the talks that the next U.N. resolution ''may be the last one against Iraq''.

He said the document will be a ''serious and an important one ... and we all hope that after that, there will be a political and peaceful solution, and an Iraqi withdrawal out of Kuwait''.

Diplomats said more discussions among Security Council members would continue Tuesday.

-30- 1697

#90330d0840 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV 27) - A Soviet official has warned the European Economic Community that some three million of his countrymen might emigrate at least temporarily to EEC states when they gain the right to travel freely abroad next year, Italian Social Affairs Minister Carlo Donat Cattin said Monday.

He said the Soviet labor minister, Vladimir Shcherbakov, had requested a meeting Sunday evening with the 12 labor ministers of the EEC to discuss the issue of Soviet immigration.

Mr. Donat Cattin told a press conference here that Mr. Shcherbakov was forced to cancel the meeting for reasons of domestic policy, but that he had hoped to "draw our attention to the fact that the number of Soviet workers expected to temporarily emigrate had jumped from one to three million."

The Italian official said the immigration of workers from Eastern Europe could "become uncontrollable" if urgent measures were not taken.

But he added that the exodus was likely to ease up after several years when Eastern Europe would be in a position to absorb its own labor force.

-30- 1260

#90330d0850 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 26) - Lord Home of the Hirsel, a former Conservative prime minister, was hospitalised on Monday after suffering a "small stroke," his nephew Mark Douglas-Home said.

Lord Home, who is 87, headed the British government from 1963 to 1964, when he was known as Sir Alec Douglas Home.

He received a life peerage in 1974.

It was Lord Home who as head of the Conservative Party in 1965 designed the

present system under which the party elects its leaders -- and under which a successor to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher is to be selected this week.

Prior to the change in rules, the leader was chosen by consensus by the party leadership, without any election.

-30- 857

#90330d0920 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MIAMI, FLORIDA (NOV. 26) - A U.S. judge Monday told prosecutors of deposed Panamanian ruler Manuel Antonio Noriega to prove his frozen monetary assets were drug tainted or pursuade foreign governments to free the 20 million dollars to pay his lawyers.

U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler said he would order a hearing on the frozen accounts within 10 days to determine if the money was earned illegally.

Prosecutors agreed in June to free the money. Later, they said foreign governments had filed their own confiscation orders against the 27 accounts.

Mr. Hoeveler has said he may have to appooint government-paid defense lawyers in the case unless Mr. Noriega's lawyers were paid. He said Monday he would give the government another chance to unfreeze the accounts.

The judge also expressed concern that the former military strongman would not receive a fair trial because Cable News Network (CNN) had tapes of telephone conversations between Mr. Noriega and his lawyers.

"I am deeply concerned about the image that this case seems to be acquiring -- that the defendant is not going to be able to get a fair trial," said Mr. Hoeveler.

"There's an obvious need by all of us in a case like this to show that our system, in fact, does work from top to bottom," he added.

Mr. Noriega is accused of accepting 4.6 million dollars in bribes from Colombia's Medellin drug cartel to help them ship cocaine to the United States.

-30- 1637

#90330d0980 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINNIPEG, CANADA (NOV. 27) - Japan has agreed to buy two million tons of Canadian grain, the Canadian Wheat Commission said Monday.

The deal covers 1.2 million tons of wheat and 800,000 tons of barley, said the agency.

But it added that negotiations were continuing with the Japan Food Agency over

the prices to be paid.

-30- 484

#90330d1120 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG, GERMANY (NOV. 27) - The Renault Clio was voted Car of the Year 1991, ahead of Nissan's Primera and the Opel Calibra, by a jury of automobile journalists from 17 European countries, the German magazine Stern announced in its edition to be published Monday.

It was the second consecutive year a French car won the citation, after the Citroen XM was voted Car of 1990. The previous winner was the Fiat Tipo.

A 58-member jury gave the Clio 312 points, followed by 258 points for the Nissan Primera and 183 points for the Opel Calibra.

The Peugeot 605 placed fourth, followed by the Mazda Miata in fifth place.

The latest model of the Renault line, the small-capacity Clio has been on sale in France since June. It is being manufactured at the rate of 2,400 per day, with more than 72,000 units sold so far in France.

-30- 1001

#90330d1200 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 27) - The Gulf crisis and natural calamities took their toll on the Philippine economy this year, resulting in a mere 3.58 percent growth in the first nine months, the government's statistics office said Tuesday.

Real gross national product (GNP) growth for the period was 3.58 percent, down from 5.45 percent in the same period last year, the National Statistical Coordination Board (NSCB) said.

Gross domestic product (GDP) growth was sharply down to 2.78 percent, from a 5.64 percent growth in the same period of 1989, NSCB spokesmen said.

They attributed the slowdown to high oil prices after Iraq swallowed up Kuwait in August, to drought and a severe power shortage due to inadequate generating capacity in the first quarter, a killer earthquake in July and destructive typhoons.

Finance Secretary Jesus Estanislao said Sunday that the economy would grow by 3.5 percent this year, down from the more than five per cent average in the past four years, and suffer a brief recession in 1991, when growth would be in positive figures but below the 2.3 percent population growth rate.

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#90330d1320 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 27) - Sub-tropical Hong Kong, known for its hot, humid weather, is the world's top exporter of furs and is striving to keep that title despite a persistent fall in the product's export value since 1987.

The slump in value of about one-third was largely prompted by "an oversupply of raw fur in the past few years when too many fur animals were bred in farms in the West," said a local veteran in the trade, David Chan.

The problem has also hit two key competitors, South Korea and Greece, said Mr. Chan, vice-president of the Federation of Fur Manufacturers and Dealers.

However, Mr. Chan expressed some optimism about Honk Kong retaining its position as the world's top exporter.

"Our export value may have gone down, but our volume -- the number of fur clothing pieces -- has actually gone up, and this shows fur coats are selling better as they've become cheaper," he said. "We should still be the first next year."

Mr. Chan said an international call to stop killing animals for their fur carries negligible impact in Asian markets.

"Almost all of our raw fur supply comes from farmers, mostly in Scandinavia," he said. "I see no difference between breeding fur animals for their fur and breeding cows and chicken for their meat."

The value of Hong Kong's fur exports fell 34 per cent in 1988 to 2.3 billion Hong Kong dollars (295 million U.S.) from a high of 3.5 billion dollars (448 million U.S.) in 1987.

The figure for last year was around 2.2 billion dollars (295 million U.S.), after a slight downturn.

Japan is the biggest buyer, snapping up 68 per cent of Hong Kong furs, mostly mink, folllowed by the United States with 20 per cent and Canada with three per cent.

While exports to the top three markets all dwindled in the first eight months of this year, the value of those bound for South Korea registered a dramatic 1,000 per cent increase to 9.3 million dollars (1.2 million U.S.)

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#90330d5620 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 26) - South Korea's recent diplomatic successes with Eastern Europe and China have paid off in trade, which has soared between the former foes, a government report said Monday.

The Economic Planning Board (EPB) said in a report to be submitted Monday to the National Assembly that trade with East European countries, including the Soviet Union, increased 14.9 percent to 4.2 billion dollars last year.

During the first eight months to August this year, the trade volume with these countries was 3.3 billion dollars, up 20 percent from the same period of last year.

Exports during the eight months jumped 30.2 percent to 1.6 billion dollars and imports increased 11.7 percent to 1.67 billion dollars, the report said.

Trade with the Soviet Union leaped 64.3 percent to 488 million dollars over the same period last year, mainly due to massive purchases of South Korean consumer goods by the Soviet Union.

Trade with other East European countries soared by 83.1 percent in the same period to 412 million dollars.

South Korea established diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union in September, winding up its two-year efforts to normalize ties with East European countries.

Trade with China in the first eight months crept up a mere five percent to 2.3 billion dollars because of China's economic depression and austerity policy.

As of the end of September, the accumulated investments in the East European countries, the Soviet Union and China amouted to 175 million dollars for 49 projects.

Thirty four of them, worth 74 million dollars, are now underway, the report said.

Over the past year Seoul has exchanged embassies with several members of the former East Bloc. It has also exchanged trade offices with China.

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#90330d5790 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Berlin (NOV. 26) - Most of the railway system in the eastern part of Germany was idle Monday in the first major strike since German unification seven weeks ago.

Only suburban passenger trains in Berlin were still running after eastern railway workers walked off the job Sunday night demanding massive wage increases to bring pay closer to western levels.

Rail union spokesman Reinhard Sauer said a shutdown of 26 key stations had

succeeded in stalling the entire Deutsche Reichsbahn passenger and freight network shortly before dawn. Workers are also demanding guarantees against redundancies.

The Reichsbahn, which has not been integrated with its efficient western equivalent, the Deutsche Bundesbahn, has hinted at plans to lay off 68,000 workers to cut costs and increase productivity.

Bernd-Volker Guenther, Berlin general manager of the rail system, said strikers at a station on the border to Poland had succeeded in backing up trains all the way to Berlin.

Two threats were received early Monday to blow up suburban Berlin stations, possibly from enraged passengers, Guenther said.

German unification on October 3 has led to smouldering labour unrest as eastern workers compare their pay with wages that are two or three times higher in the west. Housing in the east is cheaper, but most other costs of living are on the same level.

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#90330d5810 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 26) - Japanese trading firm Nissho Iwai Corp. and Satellite Transmission Systems of the United States have won a 500 million dollar to supply satellite facilities to Romania, a Nissho Iwai official said Monday.

The order provides for the construction of a ground station for satellites operated by the European Telecommunications Satellite Organization, he said.

The facility, expected to start operating in June, will allow Romania to expand international telecommunications services and receive West European television programs, the official said.

The order marks the first sale of Western satellite equipment to Romania.

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#90330d5820 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 26) - Eishiro Saito plans to resign as chairman of Japan's powerful Federation of Employer Organisations (Keidanren) next month, nearly 18 months before his current term expires, news reports said Monday.

The reports said he would be replaced by Gaishi Hiraiwa, the chairman of Tokyo Electric Co. Ltd. who is also vice chairman of the employer group.

Mr. Saito, honorary chairman of Nippon Steel Corp., the world's biggest steelmaker, has headed Keidanren since 1986.

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#90330d5900 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 26) - Former foreign minister Hiroshi Mitsuzuka said Monday the Japanese government planned to give 20 million dollars in medical aid to the Soviet Union, according to press reports.

It would be Japan's first financial aid to the Soviet Union, long hindered by a still-unresolved territorial dispute between the two countries.

Jiji Press quoted Mr. Mitsuzuka as telling a conference in Tokyo that the government would supply the funds for the Soviets to purchase medical equipment to treat victims of the 1986 Chernobyl nuclear disaster.

Mr. Mitsuzuka was not available for comment, while the foreign ministry acknowledged studying possible medical aid to the Soviet Union but denied that an amount had already been fixed.

The money would be channeled through the World Health Organization, Mr. Mituzuka, a senior member of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, said.

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#90330d5960 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SINGAPORE (NOV. 26) - A 24-member U.S. military team began talks with Singapore defence officials Monday on implementation of their new accord giving U.S. forces expanded use of naval and air facilities here.

A U.S. spokesman said the technical team from the U.S. Pacific Command arrived Sunday for a week of discussions on various aspects of the agreement.

The city-state offered Washington greater use of its faclities in August 1989 to reduce U.S. reliance on bases in the Philippines where the arrangements are up for renegotiation.

A memorandum of understanding signed November 13 in Tokyo by Singapore Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew and U.S. Vice-President Dan Quayle provided for "modest increases" in U.S. use of existing port and airport facilities.

A U.S. statement issued Saturday said the talks here were expected to cover "types and frequencies of U.S. Air Force deployments, logistics, storage requirements, office space, U.S. Navy berthing needs, fueling, housing and legal matters."

But there was still no word on how the two sides resolved the thorniest issue in the negotiations: the fate of any U.S. servicemen arrested on criminal charges in Singapore where narcotics trafficking carries a mandatory death

penalty.

Neither side has released a copy of the agreement signed in Tokyo covering use of Sembawang port in Singapore's north and Paya Lebar airport in the southeast. The increased U.S. activity was expected to start within the next three to six months.

The agreement allows the U.S. Air Force to send aircraft to the island-republic several times a year on training deployments of several weeks each while the U.S. navy planned to increase the duration and number of its ship visits here.

The contingent of U.S. military personnel assigned here year-round will be boosted from the current 20 to about 95, and another 75 air force men and women will come here temporarily on each training mission.

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#90330d6030 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 26) - Eishiro Saito resigned as chairman of Japan's powerful Federation of Employer Organizations (Keidanren) Monday, almost 18 months ahead of schedule, a Keidanren official said.

The 79-year-old chairman was stepping down to make way for younger businessmen to run the influential group.

Mr. Saito, who is also honorary chairman of Nippon Steel Corp., the world's biggest steelmaker, has headed the Keidanren since 1986. His current two-year term was not due to expire until May 1992.

He would be replaced by Gaishi Hiraiwa, 76, the chairman of Tokyo Electric Co. Ltd. who is vice chairman of the employer group.

The Keidanren board accepted the resignation and nomination of the new chairman at a meeting in Tokyo on Monday. The changeover would be formally put to a meeting of Keidanrern members next month.

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#90330d6080 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 26) - The Soviet Union is budgeting for a 50 per cent drop in oil exports next year compared to this year, according to the draft budget presented to parliament Monday.

"The exports (for oil) will be reduced by a factor of about two compared to the level forecast for 1990," the text said.

Global production of petroleum products is expected to reach 560 million

tonnes, compared to 575 million tons this year, the text also said.

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#90330d6100 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
New Delhi (NOV. 26) - Public servants in the Indian part of Kashmir returned to work Monday at the end of a 71-day strike, newspapers here reported.

The 137,000 staff agreed to go back to work after Kashmir Governor Girish Saxena agreed in ten hours of talks with the strike committee to reinstate five senior civil servants. They had been sacked September 16 for alleged contacts to Kashmir separatists.

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#90330d6110 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 26) - The first of some 40 ships chartered by the Ministry of Defence to take reinforcements of men and material to the Gulf were preparing to leave this week for Saudi Arabia in an operation which will nearly double the strength of Britain's Desert Shield contingent.

Loading operations started at the weekend at the German port of Emden and were about to begin at the port of Marchwood in southern England.

Altogether 14,000 men are to be transported to the Gulf by January to join the estimated 16,000 British soldiers, including 11,000 infantry men already operational in the Saudi Arabian desert.

The bulk of British land forces will form a 25,000-man First Division under the orders of General Rupert Smith, due to be operational in January.

The majority of the 14,000 Gulf reinforcements are from the 4th infantry brigade based at Verden in Germany. The 7th brigade of "Desert Rats" which has been in the Gulf since October was also stationed in Germany.

The men themselves are not due to leave until end December but the first military hardware will leave from Germany and Britain this week.

The equipment includes 43 Challenger tanks, more than 150 light armoured tanks about 50 mobile cannons, 12 long-range missile launchers of the Multiple Launch Rocket System (MLRS) type, 24 Rapier anti-aircraft missile launchers and 18 Lynx combat helicopters.

The First Division will have a total of 175 Challenger tanks and nearly 250 light armoured vehicles by January, military experts said.

Two British minesweepers are also due to leave for the Gulf to join three already there. Experts said the ships would be particularly useful in the case

of an amphibious operation on the coast of Kuwait.

The reinforcements were announced last week by Defence Secretary Tom King.

He said the message to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein was that while a peaceful settlement was preferable, the military option not only existed but was "credible".

Experts said the resignation of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was unlikely to affect the hardline adopted by Britain against Iraq.

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#90330d6200 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND (NOV. 26) - Air New Zealand said Monday it had posted an unaudited bottom line loss of 26.7 million New Zealand dollars (16.3 million U.S.) for April through September this year.

In a statement to the New Zealand Stock Exchange, the airline said the figure compared with a 19 million dollar (11.7 million U.S.) profit for the same period last year.

Brierley Investments Ltd. are the biggest shareholders of the company with Qantas and Japan Air Lines also holding sizeable blocks of shares.

Chairman Bob Matthew said the company's final result "will at best break even."

A major factor in the loss was redundancy payments arising from closed domestic routes.

Mr. Matthew said the period had proved a difficult time for the airline and, while noting that most of an airline's profits accrue during the second half of each year, "the loss was nevertheless disappointing."

Dramatic increases in aviation fuel did not come into account materially in the period, he said.

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#90330d6220 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (NOV. 26) - Twelve people were killed when two Iranian helicopters collided near Kharg island in the northern Gulf, Teheran newspapers reported Monday.

The reports did not give a date for the accident, which left no survivors, but said several technicians employed by the Iranian Oil Ministry were among those killed.

The helicopters were used to link Fourouzan oil platform and Kharg island, the papers said.

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#90330d6230 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (NOV. 26) - Iran has offered to sell crude oil to Indonesia to replace imports from Iraq, halted in August under U.N.-mandated economic sanctions, Iranian Trade Minister Abdul Hussein Vahaji said here Monday.

"The Gulf crisis has not yet directly affected Indonesian crude imports from Iran but we are prepared to meet a demand by Indonesia to increase its imports " Mr. Vahaji said after paying a courtesy call on Indonesian President Suharto.

Under a counter-purchase agreement, Indonesia imported 30,000 barrels of oil per day from Iraq for reprocessing into various petrol products at the Cilacap refinery in Central Java.

The imports were halted following Iraq's August 2 invasion and occupation of Kuwait.

Mr. Vahaji said that under a counter-purchase agreement signed by Teheran and Jakarta in 1988, Iran exports 30,000 barrels of crude to Indonesia in return for non-oil Indonesian products.

In the past Indonesia imported a total of 100,000 barrels of crude from Iran, Iraq and Saudi Arabia to use as feedstock for Cilacap, where Indonesian crudes are unsuitable for processing.

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#90330d6310 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Rangoon (NOV. 26) - Nearly 400 million dollars worth of heroin, opium oil, liquid opium and marijuana went up in flames in the Burmese capital Monday as foreign diplomats put the torch to piles of seized narcotics at the third public destruction of drugs staged by the government.

Over 5.6 million small bottles of phensedyl were also crushed into powder by two five-ton rollers.

Held at the police officers' mess in the northern suburbs of Rangoon, the spectacular demonstration was attended by high military and police officials headed by Major-General Khin Nyunt, secretary of the State Law and Order Restoration Council.

Also present were United Nations Development Programme (Undp) and foreign diplomatic officials based in the Burmese capital.

The director of the narcotics police, Colonel Ngwe Soe Tun, said Burma had been taking ''relentless action'' against narcotics. He described as ''unwarranted accusations'' reports by foreign news media that Burma was producing thousands of kilograms of opium.

According to official figures, the narcotics destroyed comprised 165.3 kilos of heroin, 11.5 kilos of opium oil, 85.7 kilograms of liquid opium, 1190.5 kilos of marijuana, and over 5.6 million bottles of phensedyl.

The total U.S. street value of the narcotics was officially put at 398.8 million dollars.

The government had destroyed a total of 460.5 kilos of heroin and varying quantities of other drugs with an officially estimated U.S. street value of 920 million dollars in two previous drugs destruction displays in Rangoon earlier this year.

It had also destroyed narcotics worth over 500 million dollars at a special display last Thursday at Nasai village in Kokang state, northeast Burma.

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#90330d6390 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Beirut (NOV. 26) - An Iraqi opposition group based in Beirut said Monday that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had ordered the arrest of thousands of students in and around Baghdad who had recently demonstrated against his rule.

The Supreme Council of the Islamic Revolution in Iraq said in a statement released in the Lebanese capital that since the begining of November students had distributed flyers protesting ''the aggressive policy of Hussein which led to the foreign deployment in the Gulf.''

The statement said that around 4,500 of these students and their teachers had been arrested and were now facing execution.

It added that some of the leaflets which had been distributed in schools had been addressed to Iraqi soldiers and had urged them ''to topple their dictator and save the country''.

The opposition group, which is believed linked to Iran, said in the statement that many of the protestors were followers of a Shiite spiritual leader, Mohamad Baker Sader, who had been assassinated in 1980 on orders from Saddam Hussein.

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#90330d6440 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LEVERKUSEN, GERMANY (NOV. 26) - The German Bayer chemicals group on Monday

reported that consolidated pre-tax profits for the first nine months of the year were 17 percent down on the same figure a year earlier at 2.75 billion Deutschemarks (1.83 billion dollars).

Consolidated sales were down 4.3 percent at 31.5 billion marks (21 billion dollars).

The profits figure was down 563 million marks (375 million dollars), of which 117 million marks was attributable to adverse exchange rates.

The holding company saw its pre-tax profits profits during the period fall by 18.7 percent to 1.5 billion marks (one billion dollars).

The group said that year-end results would be "satisfactory but markedly below the level in the record year of 1989".

In the third quarter consolidated pre-tax profits fell by 32.3 percent to 740 million marks, and sales were down 5.6 percent at 9.74 billion marks.

Profits at the holding company were down 35.8 percent at 398 million marks, and consolidated sales were down 2.8 percent at 4.16 billion marks.

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#90330d6460 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 26) - Moscow has stocks of powdered milk sufficient to last for only three more days, Deputy Mayor Sergei Stankievich said here Monday.

He disclosed this at a press conference after nine regions bordering Moscow said they intended to halt or severely reduce their milk deliveries to the capital.

Retaining the option of seeking emergency help from abroad, Mr. Styankievich said the regions maintained their decision was for "purely economic reasons".

But he did not rule out the possibility that "political considerations" had played a role since the municipal authority in Moscow has been headed for a few months by leading Soviet liberal, Gavriil Popov.

Observers said that the move could also be in retaliation for a decision by the Moscow authorities a few months ago to reserve access to shops in the capital for residents of Moscow and its outskirts.

Inhabitants of neighbouring regions used to come to Moscow to find supplies.

Mr. Stankievich said suppliers should guarantee deliveries and said that any interruptions meant agreements between the city and its suppliers would be null and void.

Noting that the capital was facing "crisis difficulties", he did not rule out the possibility that Moscow might have to seek "emergency aid" from abroad this winter. But he did not say which products might be needed.

He said Moscow authorities would introduce in the next few days "severe" controls on the movement of food to shops in the capital because up to 20 per cent of products "disappeared" between city depots and sales outlets, he said.

These controls would be carried out by clubs of electors or by elected officials and public associations.

"We do not have any other way out. There are sufficient supplies in Moscow for people to be able to buy what is essential," he said. He condemned the practice, common in the Soviet Union, of diverting food en route from depots to outlets, for sale on the black market.

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#90330d6480 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (NOV. 26) - The 10-member Organisation of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC) is likely to decide to shift its headquarters from Kuwait to Egypt when it meets next month, oil sources said here Monday.

The meeting in Cairo on December 8 will also discuss plans to suspend Iraq's membership in retaliation for its August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

OAPEC includes the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Bahrain, which along with Oman constitute the Gulf Cooperation Council, a regional economic, defence and security pact.

The other members of OAPEC are Algeria, Egypt, Iraq, Libya and Syria.

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#90330d6490 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, Australia (NOV. 26) - The local subsidiary of Japanese car manufacturer Toyota Motor Corp. has ousted Ford as Australia's leading automaker for the first time.

Figures released Monday by motor car industry statistician PAXUS Corp. Ltd. showed Toyota Motor Corp. Australia sold 12,983 units in October, capturing 23.79 percent of the total car market.

Ford was next with 10,889 units, claiming 19.95 percent.

The figures revealed a strong upturn in the car market with vehicle registrations rising 9.9 percent to 54,575 units compared with 49,655 units in

September.

Toyota's achievement represents the first time a Japanese-based car manufacturer has surpassed either of the local industry stalwarts Ford Australia or General Motors-Holden's Australia.

But a spokesman for Ford said it regarded the month's figures as "an aberration" and the company expected to regain leadership next month.

Ford's vice president in charge of marketing, Bill Hartigan, said Ford's market had been adversely affected recently by a decline in demand for six-cylinder vehicles, traditionally the "mainstay of the fleet market."

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#90330d6550 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 26) - Japan's long-term credit banks will announce cuts in their prime rates Tuesday, a spokesman for the Industrial Bank of Japan said here Monday.

The spokesman did not say by how much his own bank, Long Term Credit Bank and Nippon Credit Bank would cut the rates offered to their best customers.

Kyodo news agency, citing banking sources, said the three banks would cut prime by 0.2 percentage points, effective December 3, to 8.1 percent.

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#90330d6590 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Moscow (NOV. 26) - The Soviet Union will receive lines of credit totalling some 20 billion dollars from several Western countries by early next year, it was reported here Monday.

The independent economic newspaper Kommersant, citing Foreign Ministry sources said the credits would mainly be provided by Germany, Italy, France and Japan.

The newspaper said there were ''political reasons'' behind Moscow's borrowing.

''The concentration of hard currency would provide the central authority the only chance to preserve its dwindling power and control over the republics,'' Kommersant said.

The paper also cited Soviet experts as describing Moscow's credit policy as ''extremely dangerous'' since the increase in borrowing was not being covered by government programmes on applying the loans and repaying them.

''The situation is getting worse by the fact that the union government has still not taken any measures towards carrying out its declared aim of a

transition to a market economy,'' the paper said.

Kommersant also noted that the Soviet Union's foreign debts had risen sharply this year, from about 49 billion dollars to some 54 billion dollars.

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#90330d6700 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (NOV. 26) - The World Bank has granted Tanzania 1.5 million dollars to build and improve roads, Works Minister Nalaila Kiula announced here Monday.

Tanzania is desperately trying to improve its potholed roads, which are so bad that hundreds of thousands of tons of food and export crops that could earn the impoverished nation sorely needed hard currency are trapped in remote rural areas every year.

Iraq's invasion of Kuwait has deprived Tanzania of a 178-million-dollar loan which the Kuwaiti government had promised for building a 500-kilometre (300-mile) road from the capital, Dar es m, to flood-prone parts of south Tanzania which cannot be reached by road during the long rainy season.

Mr. Kiula said the World Bank money would go towards road-making equipment and training for engineers.

He said foreign and local experts would also be recruited to improve the skills of road maintenance personnel.

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#90330d6720 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 26) - Vice Foreign Trade Minister Gu Yongjiang has left on a trip to Canada and the United States to boost trade ties, the China Daily said Monday.

The newsaper said Mr. Gu, who left Sunday, will be the first Chinese vice-minister to visit the United States since June 1989, when the army suppressed pro-democracy protests here.

Mr. Gu's delegation, comprising officials from China's main exporters of cereals, foods and technology, will visit Canada for 10 days, the newspaper said, without giving details of their trip to the United States.

According to the latest official figures China's two-way trade with Canada reached 1.58 billion U.S. dollars in the first 10 months of this year, making it the country's eighth largest trade partner after Hong Kong, Japan, the European Economic Community, the United States, the Soviet Union, Singapore and Taiwan.

China Daily also said a delegation of rural sector entreprises will visit the United States next week, on the first such trip of its kind, to explore cooperation with small and medium-sized U.S. businesses.

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#90330d6810 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (NOV. 26) - The Singapore government on Monday reaffirmed its ban on investment in Vietnam following press reports that two local companies have been involved in hotel projects in the communist Indochinese state.

The Business Times said that Singapore's Kieu My Trading Pte. Ltd. was investing 6.5 million U.S. dollars to build the Phu Tho hotel in Ho Chi Minh City with Vietnam's Union of Import and Export.

The second project, it said, involved another hotel in Vung Tao province worth 3.5 million dollars and was to be built up in partnership with the Vietnamese Vung Tao Tourist Co.

Kieu My sources were not available for comment.

A third Singapore venture concerned the renovation and conversion of an old building into a refurbished hotel. The paper did not give the name of the Singapore company involved or the extent of the investment.

The newspaper, quoting an official of the State Committee of Cooperation and Investment (SCCI), Vietnam's de facto board of investment, said the Singapore firm made its commitments through its Hong Kong arm, Panergo Ltd.

It said other Singapore investors had made commitments in Vietnam that were awaiting SCCI approval.

A foreign ministry spokesman would not discuss the reported investment projects, but said, "The ban against Singaporeans investing in Vietnam or Cambodia remains unchanged."

Singapore has barred its citizens from investing in Vietnam and Cambodia, where it supports a tripartite resistance movement against the government installed by Hanoi's troops in 1979.

It said last month that it would lift the ban as soon as the Supreme National Council, formed by the four warring factions, is represented at the United Nations. But the factions have been embroiled in a dispute over the leadership of the council.

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#90330d6940 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 26) - The Soviet Union's budget deficit for 1991 is forecast to top 250 billion rubles (400 billion dollars at the official rate), Finance Minister Valentin Pavlov said Monday.

He said "exceptional measures" would have to be taken to cope with the deficit.

He told Supreme Soviet deputies that in addition to the 1990 deficit of 60 billion rubles there would be a shortfall of 190 billion rubles due to losses within the oil sector, company failures and the spiralling cost of social programmes.

The collapse of Soviet exports, particularly in the oil sector, will cost the state around 45 billion rubles in lost revenues.

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#90330d6950 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 26) - Japan's seven trust banks announced Monday sharply lower earnings for the six months to September, citing soaring interest rates and plunging stock prices.

Most of the trust banks, which specialise in managing assets such as pension funds, also cut their profit forecasts for the full year.

"We anticipate that the environment will remain difficult with depressed equity prices and continued high interest rates. We also foresee continued growth in fees for managing pension and other trusts," said Takahiko Kiminami, general manager for strategic planning at Yasuda Trust and Banking Corp.

Mitsubishi Trust and Banking Corp., the country's biggest trust bank in terms of assets, said net profit dived 28.9 percent from a year earlier to 29.9 billion yen (217 million dollars) in the six months. Revenue climbed 24.1 per cent to 823 billion yen (six billion dollars).

Net profit for the full year was forecast at 50 billion yen (362 million dollars), down from its original estimate of 54 billion yen (391 million dollars). The bank's revenue estimate of 1,700 billion yen (12.3 billion dollars) was also lower than previously projected.

Sumitomo Trust, ranked second, said net profit dropped 26.5 percent to 29.5 billion yen (214 million dollars) while revenue grew 20.2 percent to 827 billion yen (six billion dollars).

The bank reduced its earnings forecast for the year to March from 55 billion yen (399 million dollars) to 47 billion yen (341 million dollars). Projected revenue was also lower at 1,700 billion yen (12.3 billion dollars).

Mitsui Trust and Banking Corp., the third-biggest trust bank and the country's oldest, said its net profit plunged 41 percent to 19.3 billion yen (140 million dollars). Revenue grew 25.4 percent to 663 billion yen (4.8 billion dollars) in the same period.

Net profit was forecast at 35 billion yen (254 million dollars), down from AN earlier estimate of 45 billion yen (326 million dollars). Its revenue forecast was higher, however, at 1,350 billion yen (9.8 billion dollars).

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#90330d6970 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Jerusalem (NOV. 26) - Rabbis in Jerusalem and the northern town of Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee have started praying for rain to end Israel's unprecedented water crisis, local papers said Monday.

The Sea of Galilee, a lake which constitutes Israel's biggest source of fresh water, was cut off from the nations taps Sunday for the first time since the formation of the state in 1948 as water reserves reached their lowest-ever level because of increases in demand and several dry winters.

According to the papers, rabbis alarmed by the situation have started visiting ancient cemeteries in Tiberias and Jerusalem to pray for rain at the graves of holy mystics buried there. Similar action in previous droughts was followed shortly by down-pours according to rabbis quoted in the mass-circulation Yediot Aharonot, but weathermen forecast the dry spell will continue at least until early December.

The unprecedented decision by the water commisioner to cease pumping from the Sea of Galilee was taken after experts agreed that continued pumping would drain away reserves in two large underground aquifers which supply the rest of Israel's water needs.

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#90330d7000 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 26) - Japan's leading power companies announced Monday increases in earnings for the six months to September while the country's main gas companies said their profits were mixed.

Tokyo Electric Power Co. Ltd., the country's biggest power generator and the world's largest private electricity concern, said its net profit rose 10.3 percent from a year earlier to 37 billion yen (268 million dollars). Revenue climbed 8.9 percent to 2,213 billion yen (16 billion dollars).

Kansai Electric Power Co. Ltd., the second-biggest, said net profit soared 58 percent to 33 billion yen (239 million dollars). Revenue advanced 10 percent to 1,162 billion yen (8.4 billion dollars).

Tokyo Gas Co. Ltd., the country's biggest gas concern, said its net profit plunged 58.8 percent to 3.2 billion yen (23 million dollars) while revenue grew 2.3 percent to 322 billion yen (2.3 billion dollars).

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LONDON (NOV. 26) - Freight rates firmed over the past week on the dry cargo market, supported by fixtures made by the U.S. Military Sealift Command (MSC), brokers said.

The Baltic International Freight Futures Exchange (BIFFEX)'s Baltic Freight Index finished the week up fourteen points at 1,312.

US Military Sealift Command chartering was the dominant activity on the market. Prospects were also improved by the decision of the U.K. Ministry of Defence to increase its presence in the Gulf. Brokers estimate that this may lead to a further thirty charters on top of the 26 made this week.

Support also came from the announcement of an agreement for the sale of 1.1 million tons of wheat and barley from France to the USSR.

Against this, the absence of an anticipated agreement between the United States and the USSR on the supply of U.S. grain to the USSR had a negative influence.

On the physical market, 52,000 ton vessels obtained 23.50 dollars per ton against 23.00 dollars the previous week, for grain trips on the US Gulf to Japan route. Brokers as a result increased the nominal rate for that route to 23.917 dollars per ton from 23.642 at the end of the previous week.

Nominal rates on the US Gulf to Northern Europe grain rate rose from 12.683 dollars per ton to 12.858 dollars, reflecting a fixture made on the physical market at 13.30 dollars per ton against 12.00 dollars two weeks previously, for a trip from the U.S. Gulf to Rotterdam.

Rates in the coal sector also improved. On the Queensland to Rotterdam route nominal rates progressed from 9.992 dollars to 10.292 dollars per ton.

But the ore sector eased slightly, with brokers reducing nominal rates on the Monrovia to Rotterdam route from 5,383 dollars to 5.375 dollars per ton.

Timecharter rates firmed on a round trip between Japan and Western Australia for 50-70,000 ton vessels to 9,000 dollars per day against 8,500 dollars previously.

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#90330d7160 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 26) - Muhammad Ali, the former world heavyweight boxing champion, has backed President Saddam Hussein's call for an overall solution to the Middle East's problems, an Iraqi official newspaper reported Monday.

The president's call, in an initiative announced August 12, was "founded on justice and peace," Ath-Thawra cited Mr. Ali as saying in an interview.

The three-times world champion, who arrived here November 21 on a peace mission, also condemned the trade embargo against Iraq and the multinational troop deployment in the Gulf since the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Ali, a convert to Islam in 1964 who was formerly called Cassius Clay, last Thursday spent Thanksgiving Day with U.S. hostages detained in Iraq.

Quoted by the Iraqi News Agency, he has said he was visiting Iraq as an "apostle of peace to mark the solidarity of Moslems in the United States with the Iraqi people, who are the object of a ferocious and aggressive campaign."

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#90330d7220 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (NOV. 26) - Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen warned in a speech broadcast Monday that a planned international conference to end Cambodia's civil war would collapse if his adversaries insisted on the dismantling of his government.

But an aide to Prince Norodom Sihanouk urged world powers to ignore the threat which he called a maneuver by Hanoi and its protege Phnom Penh to avoid a confrontation with the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council, in particular their ally the Soviet Union.

The five -- Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the United States -- agreed along with Indonesia at a just-ended meeting in Paris on the final draft of a peace settlement to end Cambodia's 12-year-old war.

The agreement meant the Paris international conference on Cambodia, which broke up in disarray last year with the warring factions quarrelling over power-sharing, could now be reconvened, probably before the end of the year, diplomats in the French capital said.

But, in a forceful speech Saturday broadcast Monday by Phnom Penh radio monitored here, Mr. Hun Sen said the 19-country conference would ''fail 99.99 per cent'' if the guerrilla aliance demanded his government's dismantling.

He also told a rally in the northwestern Cambodian city of Battambang that his government had made its stand clear to conference organisers shortly before

the ''Perm Five'' meeting in Paris.

In a related development, the Khmer Rouge, the most powerful of the three guerrilla armies fighting Phnom Penh, threatened Monday to launch a major offensive if the Paris conference failed to end the war.

Khmer Rouge sources told reporters at Aranyaprathet, on the Thai-Cambodian border, that their 519th division was preparing to attack Cambodia's northern provincial capital of Siem Reap, next to the famed ancient Angkor temple.

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#90330d7250 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD, (NOV 26) - Libya would support Iraq if a war broke out in the Gulf Tripoli's Ambassador to Pakistan Ibrahim Aljerbi said here Monday.

"All progressive countries should join Iraq against America," Mr. Aljerbi told a press conference.

"We feel that the presence of U.S. forces in the Gulf area has further complicated the Gulf situation," he said, adding: "The Gulf crisis is an Arab problem and can be solved without foreign interference."

He said he was still "still optimistic" of the chances for a peaceful resolution to the nearly four-month-old conflict.

But he said a U.N. Security Council meeting planned this week should be held in Geneva instead of New York and that Arab countries should be allowed to attend.

Mr. Aljerbi also said that if the United Nations authorizes the use of force in the Gulf, as Washington wants, it would constitute a "negation of the U.N charter."

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#90330d7410 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 26) - An attack near Israel's border with Egypt that left four people dead has raised new concerns that Islamic fundamentalism among Israel's Arab neighbours represents a growing threat to its national security.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir blamed "fanatics" for the attack Sunday near the Red Sea port of Eilat, when an Egyptian border guard opened fire on an Israeli civilian bus and four military vehicles.

The Israeli security service later found the inscription Allah, the Arabic word for God, on his cartridge belt.

"In Egypt, Syria and Jordan there is fanatical and extremist propaganda that sows hatred against us and there are people who take it upon themselves to lead this propaganda," the prime minister said.

Foreign Minister David Levy also condemned what he called "fanatics in Egypt whose sole objective is to point their arms at Israelis."

Israeli newspapers Monday echoed the mounting concern over the rise of fundamentalism among Arab countries, especially Egypt which signed a peace treaty with Israel in 1979.

"In south Lebanon, a Moslem, shouting Allah Akbar (God is great) and packed with explosives, rushes at Jewish soldiers to meet her death, while at the same time a fanatic assassinates Israeli soldiers and civilians," Yedioth Aharonoth said.

The military commentator of Haaretz newspaper, Zeev Schiff, said the attack near Eilat proved that "fundamentalists have deeply infiltrated the Egyptian security forces."

"As for the attacks against Israel launched from southern Lebanon and Jordan, they show the growing influence of the fundamentalist elements in the two countries," Mr. Schiff wrote.

Jordanian fundamentalists have twice this month crossed the cease-fire line with Israel and killed two Israeli soldiers.

King Hussein of Jordan "appears to be losing control of his army because of the rise of Islamic elements in his country," according to Israel's Defence Minister Moshe Arens.

In south Lebanon, Israeli forces are poised for an escalation in anti-Israeli attacks following the recent redeployment from Beirut of fighters of the Shiite fundamentalist group Hezbollah.

A Lebanese woman on Sunday blew herself up near an Israeli army patrol in southern Lebanon, wounding two soldiers.

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#90330d7460 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 26) - The North Atlantic Assembly, parliamentary group of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato), met in committees here Monday in preparation for the opening on Wednesday of a full session.

On the agenda will be political changes in Europe following the reunification of Germany, the role of Nato in creating new European security structures, and the effects of the Gulf crisis on European security.

For the first time, the assembly is attended by parliamentary deputies from the newly democratic eastern European states, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland and the Soviet Union, in addition to parliamentarians from the 16 Nato countries.

The North Atlantic Assembly, Nato's ''parliamentary branch'', meets twice a year for discussions between North Americans and Europeans on problems confronting the Western alliance.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, who had been due to address the conference on Thursday, was prevented by developments in the Gulf crisis from attending.

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#90330d7510 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV. 26) - Shell on Monday became the second oil major to announce a large investment programme in the former territory of East Germany, where the auto sector is booming.

Its German subsidiary, Deutsche Shell AG, said it was setting up a unit, Deutsche Shell Tankstellen GmbH, that would build a network of at least 300 petrol (U.S. gas) filling stations in eastern Germany.

On Wednesday, British Petroleum (BP) said it planned to build 250 filling stations in the east over the next five years, with the goal of taking 10 per cent of the local market.

Petrol sales in the former German Democratic Republic are currenty dominated by the former state monopoly, Minol, although the west German firm, Aral, is also expanding rapidly.

East Germans have bought hundreds of thousands of autos since the introduction of the Deutsche mark last July 1. But filling stations are rare outside the main towns, and there is also an ancillary need for accessories shops and car washes.

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#90330d7540 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 26) - Japanese companies will be allowed to export medicines and medical equipment worth 240 million yen (1.9 million dollars) to Iraq, officials said Monday.

A government decision to this effect has been conveyed to the Iraqi government through the Japanese embassy in Baghdad, they said.

The medicines and equipment will be exported to Iraq "from a humanitarian point of view and on condition that they are not used for military purposes," the officials said.

The export of medical supplies to Iraq for humanitarian purposes is exempted from current United Nations sanctions.

Iraq had requested medical supplies when former Japanese prime minister Yasuhiro Nakasone visited Baghdad earlier this month, the officials said.

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#90330d7640 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 26) - The Egyptian army has held its second night exercises since the beginning of November, Defense Minister General Youssef Sabri Abu Taleb said in press reports published Monday.

The maneuvers overnight Saturday included a night crossing of the Suez Canal and deployment of the Second Army's armored division in coordination with artillery and air defense units, he said.

The operation was designed to simulate maneuvers under adverse conditions such as air strikes, electronic jamming and the use of chemical weapons.

Gen. Abu Taleb said after the exercises that Egyptian forces had proved they had the means to conduct night maneuvers under all conditions and lauded the "high standard" of the participating units.

On November 4, Egyptian troops conducted important air maneuvers in the Wadi al-Natroun region between Cairo and Alexandria.

Egypt, a key Arab opponent of Iraq in the Gulf crisis, has contributed thousands of troops to the U.S.-led multinational forces in the Gulf since the August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90330d7650 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANNHEIM, Germany (NOV. 26) - Europe's biggest sugar producer, Suedzucker AG, announced Monday it would take over around a third of the sugar-refining capacity of former East Germany.

An agreement would be signed Friday with the Treuhand, the government agency overseeing the privatisation of state assets, Suedzucker spokesman Rainer Duell said.

He declined to reveal the price, but said a "rationalisation plan" was part of the deal.

Forty-one East German factories produce 650,000 tons of sugar annually.

Suedzucker will take over refineries in Saxony and Thuringia, in the south of the country, the spokesman said.

It which already accounts for 40 percent of sales in former West Germany, the largest sugar market in Europe.

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#90330d7680 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 26) - The parliaments of the three Baltic republics which have proclaimed independence from Moscow will hold a special joint session Saturday in Vilnius, the Lithuanian capital, to discuss what they see as Moscow's threat to reassert control, the Baltic News Service reported here Monday.

The special session was called by Lithuania's President Vytautas Landsbergis, Latvia's President Anatolijs Gorbunovs and Estonia's President Arnold Ruutel who met last week near Riga, Latvia, to discuss the special powers being voted by parliament to President Mikhail Gorbachev.

Mr. Gorbachev is now empowered to impose direct presidential rule on any unruly republic.

Kazimieras Motieka, the deputy president of the Lithuanian parliament, told the news agency that the special session would be asked to adopt a number of political and economic documents, and approve the setting up of a common group for direct contacts with the Council of Nordic States, which regroups parliamentarians from Scandinavian countries.

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#90330d7730 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 26) - A Bulgarian government delegation arrived here Sunday on a week-long visit to investigate joint ventures and possible trade agreements with South Africa, a spokeswoman for the group said Monday.

The seven-member delegation is headed by Bulgaria's Deputy Trade and Technology Minister Valentin Grosdanov and will hold a series of meetings with South African government officials and representatives of South African industry and commerce.

The spokeswoman for the hosts of the delegation said the Bulgarians were interested in trade agreements in mining, agriculture, computer technology, steel, sporting goods and tourism.

The delegation would also look at local chemical product manufacturing and

investigate potential trade in electrical goods and light industries, the spokeswoman added.

Bulgaria and South Africa tied diplomatic relations on November 22.

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#90330d7740 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 26) - The Iraqi parliament decided Monday to allow all Swedish hostages to leave Iraq, an official Iraqi source said.

The source said the National Assembly's decision followed a request from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The Swedish Foreign Ministry said earlier that the Swedish nationals being held by Iraq, who number around 60, could be freed "very quickly."

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#90330d7810 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 26) - The German Ministry for Economic Cooperation said Monday here it would grant Zimbabwe 46.8 million marks (31.6 million dollars) of assistance.

The country in southern Africa would receive 33.3 million marks in cash, out of which 5.5 would be non-refundable aid for an irrigation project.

The ministry added that another 13.5 million marks would go into several technical cooperation projects.

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#90330d7870 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAVANA (NOV. 26) - Cuba's council of state has removed Jose Ramon Fernandez as education minister and assigned him the task of organizing next year's Panamerican Games, the official Cuban news agency AIN reported Monday.

Mr. Fernandez, who will keep a seat in the council of ministers as one of 10 vice presidents, was replaced by Luis Ignacio Gomez, previously a university rector in the province of Las Villas, the news agency said.

AIN, while noting Mr. Fernandez' contributions, attributed his removal to the need "to move to a new stage."

Cuba is to host the Panamerican Games in Havana and Santiago de Cuba in August 1991. Mr. Fernandez is president of the organizing committee.

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#90330d7950 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 26) - Japan's Ube Industries Ltd. and Marubeni Corp. said here Monday they have set up a company in Britain to produce plastic composites.

The London-based firm, European Technological Composites Ltd., is capitalized at two million pounds (four million dollars) with Ube putting up 70 per cent and Marubeni the rest, company officials said.

Ube is a major maker of chemicals, cement, machinery and industrial plants, while Marubeni is a leading general trading company.

Demand for plastic composites is expected to expand in Europe with more Japanese companies planning to begin operations there, the Ube and Marubeni officials said.

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#90330d7960 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRAGUE (NOV. 26) - The Czech Jewish community's leader Desider Galsky, 69, died at the weekend after a road accident near here.

He was first chosen to head the community council in 1968 but was a victim of the Soviet crushing of the Prague Spring in Czechoslovakia.

He returned to the post last November with the collapse of the communist regime, and accompanied President Vaclav Havel to Jerusalem in April after the restoration of diplomatic ties with Israel which were broken off in 1967.

The Czech Jewish community is officially registered at 2,700 people, but privately the community estimates there are about 5,000. Before World War II, there were 360,000 Jews in Czechoslovakia. After the Holocaust, there were 40,000.

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#90330d7980 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 26) - French Finance Minister Pierre Beregevoy on Monday repeated his call for an early meeting of the so-called G7 group of seven leading western industrialised countries.

He said: "We must meet so that our co-operation can make the monetary future clear for governments and companies."

He also said that the monetary committee of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) should be associated with the G7 talks.

"We must compare our views and give a signal to the markets," he said.

Mr. Beregevoy said that a G7 meeting was needed to assess the state of the U.S. economy, the situation on the oil market and the outlook for the European economy, given the "immense need for finance in the East".

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#90330d8000 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ORLEANS, France (NOV. 26) - Shareholders in the Treca bedding group are looking for an active shareholder to buy bedding manufacturing plant and talks have begun with the Japanese Sumitomo group, Treca sources said on Monday.

Treca-literie (bedding), with annual sales of about 500 million francs (about 100 million dollars) has four plants of which three are in France and one is in Germany, employing 340 people.

In October Treca sold its business of foam for car seats to the French Epeda-Bertrand-Faure company to concentrate on bedding.

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#90330d8020 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 26) - The Egyptian assailant who shot dead four Israelis and wounded 23 in an attack Sunday near the Israeli border town of Eilat was believed to be Ayman Mohammad Hassan, police said.

Mr. Hassan was identified as a 22-year-old conscript to the Central Security, an armed force under the control of the Egyptian Interior Ministry. He comes from the Nile Delta governorate of Zagazig.

The Central Security acts as a civilian police force in charge of surveillance on the border with Israel -- a duty from which the army is barred under the terms of the 1979 Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty.

Police gave no indications on the motive for the attack, after which the assailant fled back into Egypt and was arrested.

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#90330d8170 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV. 26) - More than 10,000 German civilians employed by the armed forces of six NATO countries held a two-hour strike Monday to demand job guarantees after allied troops are pulled out from Germany, their union said.

OeTV trade union, which represents workers in the public and transport sectors said the strikes were mainly called in the south and west of the country in a bid to force the employers to return to negotiations after talks broke down last Friday.

Around 1,400 demonstrated outside the headquarters of the French forces at Baden-Baden and another 1,500 demonstrated at a French base at Grafenwoehr, the union said.

Other protests were held at the U.S. bases of Ramstein and Miesau and at the U.S. military hospital of Landstuhl, it said.

A spokesman for the British Army of the Rhine said there had been a "token" stoppage by civilian personnel at the British base at Duesseldorf.

There were also stoppages at bases operated by the Dutch, Canadian and Belgian forces that are part of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation's former front line in Germany, OeTV said.

Around 23,000 of the 100,000 civilians employed by the six foreign forces in western Germany face unemployment because of arms reductions, OeTV says.

It wants those facing redundancy to be offered similar employment elsewhere or be given compensation and retraining. It also wants an overall pay increase of nine per cent.

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#90330d8200 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (NOV. 26) - The French Hersant press group is to buy 40 per- cent of the Hungarian Magyar Nemzet newspaper, the former paper of the patriotic front headed by Imre Pozsgay, informed sources said here on Monday.

The Hersant group will buy the 40 percent for 55 million forints (887,000 dollars), with the remaining 60 percent being held by the Hungarian Pallas publishing house, by a foundation representing the paper's editorial committee and by two Hungarian banks.

The paper has a circulation of about 120,000 copies per day.

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#90330d8210 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 26) - Israeli Premier Itzhak Shamir Monday said here the Egyptian government was not responsible for a bloody assault along the border with Egypt's Sinai peninsula the day before.

An Egyptian border policeman crossed the border into Israel Sunday and ambushed several civilian and military vehicules, killing three Israeli soldiers and a civilian and wounding 23 people near Israel's Red Sea port of Elat.

Shamir said ''extremist groups'' in Iraq and Jordan were responsible for the attack and had instigated Moslems to carry out such actions.

''Israel will not allow this to happen anymore,'' he added.

The Moslem fundamentalist Jihad (Holy War) group took responsibility for the attack in a statement issued in Jordan.

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#90330d8260 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 26) - France is giving the Kuwaiti government exiled in Saudi Arabia spare parts to make 15 Mirage fighter jets operational, according to an authoritative source who dismissed press reports that missiles were also on their way.

The French-built warplanes, flown out of Kuwait after the Iraqi invasion in August were getting new engines, undercarriage gear, tyres and small-calibre ammmunition, the source said. Deliveries began two weeks ago.

Reports that the French government was also sending Exocet and Hot missiles from Chateauroux in central France were not true, the source said, but added that this option was being considered. The Kuwaiti planes flew out of the emirate without their weapons.

The Nouvelle Republique de Tours newspaper on Monday disclosed that "aircraft engines, spare parts" and "Exocet and Hot missiles" were being flown to Saudi Arabia from Chateauroux aboard Lebanese freighter planes, publishing a photo of a Lebanese Trans Mediterranean Air Cargo System Boeing 707 at the airbase.

"Twenty-two (delivery) flights were counted last week and three times more than that are scheduled by the end of the month," the newspaper said, reporting that it had been tipped off to the operation by an anonymous telephone call on November 6.

The source here said the Kuwaiti planes could potentially be armed with the Mirage F1's usual weapons -- short-range Magic air-to-air missiles and Matra Super 530s with a range of 40 kilometres (25 miles) -- but a reliable source noted that the Saudi authorities had banned the jets from flying with weapons.

French President Francois Mitterrand confirmed on August 21 that exiled Kuwaiti forces had "French material", notably "Mirage F1s which will continue to be maintained".

The 15 jets apart, the Kuwaiti air force is known to have flown 12 Gazelle anti-tank helicopters, six Pumas and four Super-Pumas out of the country. Only the Super Pumas can handle Exocet 39 air-to-sea missiles for use against surface shipping, sources here said.

The newspaper in Tours claimed, citing military sources, that France and the exiled Kuwaiti rulers had done a deal for the delivery of 4,000 Hot anti-tank missiles, as part of a contract worth 180 million dollars.

The Chateauroux-Deols civilian airport, a former U.S. Air Force base which can handle heavy cargo planes, is about 60 kilometres (37 miles) from Bourges, where the Aerospatiale company makes missiles.

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#90330d8290 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 26) - Rebels operating in eastern Chad said Monday they had killed more than 2,000 government troops in weekend battles at Monou and in the Iriba-Tine region and had destroyed or captured a large amount of arms.

A communique issued by the Patriotic Salvation Movement of former army chief Idriss Deby said documents found in one captured vehicle showed that President Hissein Habre had been there personally commanding the government defences.

Rebel and other sources have for some days been reporting that Mr. Habre was in the east, preparing his troops for a major push against the rebels. Mr. Habre says the rebels are actively backed by Libya, which the latter deny, and that they are operating out of Sudan with the complicity of the Khartoum authorities.

Informed sources in the French capital confirmed that fighting was fierce and said the government side's position was worsening after two weeks of attack and counter-attack in the desert terrain of the border region with Sudan.

The rebels said 3,000 soldiers had rallied to their cause.

In Ndjamena, military high command said troops had retaken Iriba and Guereda lying 60 and 40 kilometres (36 and 24 miles) respectively from the Sudanese frontier. It said very heavy fighting was in progress all around Tine, which has reportedly changed hands several times in the past week.

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#90330d8320 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TURIN, ITALY (NOV. 26) - The SNIA BPD group of the Fiat empire has bought the U.S. Nylon Corporation of America (NYCOA) company of New Hampshire which is the world's second biggest manufacturer of nylon-6 polymers, Fiat said here on Monday.

SNIA BPD is the leading European manufacturer of nylon-6.

NYCOA's sales for 1990 were estimated to total 23 million dollars, and SNIA

sales in polymers were expected to exceed 350 billion lire (304 million dollars) this year, Fiat said.

The U.S. market for polymers was estimated to be worth 2.6 billion dollars and to be growing at between five percent and 10 percent per year, Fiat said.

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#90330d8340 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 26) - Communist guerrillas killed 15 soldiers in the southern Philippines and burned down a military radio station in the north of the country, military officials said here Monday.

Meanwhile, Armed Forces chief Renato de Villa said natural calamities, economic crisis and military rebellions might mean the government's promise to crush the communist insurgency by 1992 cannot be kept.

Military sources said 15 troops and one guerrilla of the communist New People's Army (NPA) died in a clash in Bonauan, Agusan del Sur province on Mindinao island on Saturday.

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#90330d8530 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN (NOV 26) - Ivory Coast's ruling Democratic Party (PDCI) won a crushing victory against the fledgling opposition in the country's first multi-party elections, according to results announced Monday by the interior ministry.

However the elections Sunday were marked by a high abstention rate of about 65 percent.

Final results gave the PDCI 163 of the 175 seats in parliament and the opposition 10. Nine of those went to the Ivorian Popular Front (FPI).

The only party to put up candidates in every constituency, the PDCI of newly reelected President Felix Houphouet-Boigny had been expected to sweep the polls against a divided opposition of 19 parties.

But with almost two-thirds of the electorate abstaining, according to provisional figures announced by the interior ministry, turnout appeared down on last month's presidential elections (69.16 percent) and the last general elections in 1985 (45.9 percent).

Observers said voters could have been put off by pre-election violence at the weekend or by the opposition's stinging defeat in the presidential elections.

Leading PDCI figures re-elected included 56-year-old economist Henri Konan

Bedie, speaker in the outgoing parliament and who is tipped to be speaker of the new assembly.

Under the constitution, amended last month, the speaker may step in to complete the president's term if the latter dies, resigns or is unable to fulfil his functions.

But according to the radio, former foreign minister Arsene Usher Assouan and former information minister Laurent Donna Fologo, who ran the president's election campaign, were both beaten. A number of outgoing PDCI MPs reportedly lost to younger candidates in their own party.

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#90330d8550 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 26) - The European Community (EC) is still investigating a dumping complaint against NutraSweet, the U.S. company which produces the low-calorie sweetener aspartame, an EC source confirmed here Monday.

He would not comment on reports that the EC was about to impose stiff anti-dumping duties on the product, which had captured almost 80 per cent of the EC low-calorie sweetener market by 1989.

NutraSweet, subsidiary of the U.S. chemicals multinational Monsanto, has been accused of selling its product in the EC at prices below the cost of production.

Relations between the United States and the EC are particularly sensitive now because of U.S. attacks on EC farm subsidies ahead of next week's General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) conference here.

In the latest move of a long-running series of trade disputes, the United States last week threatened to double duties on products including sparkling wines if the EC did not renew special quotas for U.S. grain exports to Spain.

Recently the EC banned most imports of U.S. pork and beef because of allegedly poor hygiene in U.S. abattoirs. Last year the EC banned U.S. beef treated with growth hormones, which sparked immediate U.S. retaliation.

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#90330d8560 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Kathmandu (NOV. 26) - India is willing to buy all the excess hydro-electric power that Nepal can produce, Nepalese Prime Minister Krishna Prasad Bhattarai said here Monday.

He did not say whether New Delhi had dropped its old insistence on holding a share in the control of the project.

Nepal has a vast hydro-electric potential of 84,000 megawatts but less than three per cent has been exploited so far. International agencies had agreed to finance hydro-electric projects provided India agreed to buy excess energy.

Bhattarai conferred in New Delhi on Monday with Indian Premier Chandra Shekhar during a brief visit on his way home from the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation summit conference in the Maldivian capital of Male.

Bhattarai said India had also agreed to simplify the procedure for the release of a 350-million Indian rupee loan to Nepal agreed during Bhattarai's visit to India last June.

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#90330d8580 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (NOV. 26) - The Australian Labour government Monday said it was willing to join the United States in giving Iraq a deadline for getting out of Kuwait.

Foreign Minister Gareth Evans told parliament here Australia might also support the military option in the Gulf even if the United Nations were to withhold its approval.

Evans made only one condition: no use of nuclear weapons ''under any circumstances whatever''.

The United States is reported to be asking the U.N. Security Council to deliver an ultimatum to Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait by January 1, or face war. The U.S. has asked for a council meeting Thursday.

Three Australian warships with a crew of 650 are in the Gulf helping to maintain the U.N. sanctioned sea blockade of Iraq.

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#90330d8630 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 26) - Prices on the Paris bourse were hit hard on Monday by a sudden jump in oil prices, and the CAC-40 stock price index lost two percent in a depressed trading mood and low volume, operators said.

The index had opened with a good gain of 0.51 percent, but the good mood vanished as North Sea Brent crude oil for January delivery rose from 30.55 dollars a barrel Friday evening to 31.60 dollars early Monday afternoon because of the U.S. desire to give Iraq an ultimatum to leave Kuwait by January 1.

Oil prices went on up after announcement of an expected big drop in Soviet oil exports next year, and Brent went on up to 33.55 dollars a barrel.

The Eurotunnel subscription right plunged by 25.2 percent on the day, while the shares were off by 3.7 percent. Metrologie dropped by more than 10 percent on volume of 19,000 shares, after quotations on the issue were suspended in the morning.

Lafarge Coppee lost 4.1 percent on the day, LVMH 3.8, Havas three percent, and CGE 2.9 percent.

Salomon, Labinal and Nordon went against the tide, jumping by eight percent or more. A rise in gold prices helped mining issues Buffelsfontein, Harmony Gold and Freegold.

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#90330d8700 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (NOV 26) - Young Kuwaitis in exile who have volunteered to fight Iraq are deeply frustrated at the slowness of moves to send them into battle.

Only 7,000 of up to 400,000 Kuwaitis who fled during and after the August 2 invasion of their country by Iraq have volunteered to join the remnants of the Kuwaiti armed forces.

And to date, only 1,200 have been given basic military training. A second batch of 600 passed out at a ceremony on Monday at the King Fahd military base in the desert near here attended by Kuwaiti defence Minister Sheik Nawaf Alahmed Al-Jaber.

The show was disciplined until he attempted a walk-about at the end of the ceremony.

The young volunteers mobbed the minister, brandishing their rifles, throwing their caps in the air and chanting: "By our life, by our blood, we will sacrifice ourselves for Kuwait."

Ahmed Al-Qabanedi, a 20-year-old first-year student in mechanical engineering at Kuwait University until he fled the country three weeks after the invasion, said: "I want to be in the front line. I will fight with my bare hands if necessary."

Ahmed Al-Dhafeeri, 22, a major in criminology from Marshall University, West Virginia, gave up further studies to volunteer.

He said he was ashamed that U.S. and other foreign soldiers might die in battle to free Kuwait before he was given a chance to fight. "I thank the U.S. people and the mothers and fathers of the casualties", he said.

Kuwaiti officials said they expected the fittest of the volunteers would be sent to join the regular army on the border near Hafer al Baten and the rest would be used in support. The first 600 were trained at a camp in the United Arab Emirates.

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#90330d8770 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV 26) - The European Economic Community (EEC) and Namibia have agreed on the terms by which the newly-independent southern African nation will join the Lome Convention, the Community announced here Monday.

The convention gives the 68 countries of the African-Caribbean-Pacific group of developing nations a preferential right to export to the EEC. They also receive EEC aid in support of trade, including loans and technical help.

An EEC spokesman said Namibia would be given least-developed country status for at least five years, giving it maximum advantage under the current Lome IV convention.

He said that Namibia would be given a special quota to export 60,000 tons of beef and veal to the Community over the next five years, and that its exports of karakul skins would be included in the convention's price stabilisation scheme.

The details were worked out last week at a meeting between European Commission vice-president Manuel Marin and Trade and Industry Minister Ben Amathila.

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#90330d8900 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABUL (NOV 26) - Afghan President Najibullah said here Monday he was working on a new peace plan to end the 12-year-old civil war in his country.

Speaking at a press conference, Mr. Najibullah proposed Afghanistan be made a totally demilitarised zone backed with international guarantees and under United Nations supervision.

"If Europe can be moving towards a demilitarised continent, then Afghanistan can do the same," he said.

"All opposition representatives in Geneva agreed that the Afghan conflict must be solved through understanding and dialogues and all agreed to continue the dialogue," he added.

Mr. Najibullah also said he had received a set of proposals from exiled former Afghan king Zahir Shah, but declined to give further details.

Mr. Najibullah went to Geneva last week where he reportedly had talks with a number of Afghan intellectuals believed to be representing the former king, overthrown in 1973.

He also reportedly held talks with moderate leaders from the mujahedeen resistance fighting his Soviet-backed government.

The resistance, divided into several separate factions, is being supported by Pakistan, the United States and Iran.

The president declined to name those he met in Geneva as it could put the Afghan dignitaries involved at risk, he said.

"But if the president of a country himself undertakes such a journey, then the peace process has to be credible," he said.

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#90330d9040 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAMAKO (NOV 26) - Liberia's main rebel leader Charles Taylor arrived here Monday to attend a summit of West African leaders on Tuesday over ways to end the country's brutal 11-month civil war.

Mr. Taylor, who arrived aboard a Air Burkina jet from Ouagadougou packed with members of his delegation and about 40 armed guerillas, was met at the airport by Malian foreign minister N'Golo Traore.

But the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) leader, wearing a suit and tie, was not given the fanfare and red-carpet reception accorded the heads of state who arrived earlier Monday for Tuesday's summit of the 16-nation Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS).

The Malian honor guard abandoned their weapons, a military band stopped playing and government officials and diplomats gathered since the morning were told to stay away.

The rebel soldiers, some of them women, wore army fatigues and carried Soviet-made AK-47 assault rifles and hand grenades as they surrounded the vehicles carrying their their leaders before boarding three trucks.

Mr. Taylor, a former senior civil servant, told local journalists that he was glad to be in Bamako on the the invitation of "a great son of Africa," Malian President Moussa Traore.

"We hope that this opportunity will give the heads of state of this region the chance for the first time to voice their frank and earnest views about the plight of our people," he said, adding that many lives have been lost "in this unfortunate situation," he said.

Burkina Faso is among ECOWAS members which opposed the sending of a five-nation intervention force to Liberia. The 'ECOMOG' troops have driven Mr. Taylor's rebels out of the capital.

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#90330d9070 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (NOV. 26) - Two surgeons were stabbed to death Monday at a public hospital in Wakefield in Yorkshire, northwest England, police said.

The bodies of the two were found in adjoining rooms of the hospital's burn clinic.

Police sealed off the large hospital grounds in the middle of town and launched a hunt for the killer. The grounds house several hospitals including a psychiatric clinic.

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#90330d9200 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (NOV. 26) - Nationalist parties appeared to be heading for election victory Monday in the Yugoslavian republic of Macedonia after unofficial results showed them having gained 36 seats.

It was the second time in two weeks that voters had cast their ballots in the republic's first free parliamentary elections since World War Ii.

According to the unofficial results, the communists have so far won 25 seats of the 120 seats. They were regarded as favourites in the contest. The final tally is expected later this week.

During the first ballot, held on November 11, only 13 candidates garnered the absolute majority needed for a seat in parliament. A simple majority suffices in this second round.

Meanwhile, the Socialist government of Yugoslavia's largest province, Serbia, has made concessions to the opposition aimed at persuading it not to boycott free polls planned for December 9.

The opposition will now be allowed to sit on a commission set up to oversee the ballot and is to be given more space in the state-run communist media.

It was not yet clear whether the measures would be enough to avert the boycott. An opposition call for roundtable talks and a postponement of the elections was rejected by the Serbian leadership.

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#90330d9260 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 26) - Base metal prices eased Monday on the London Metal Exchange (LME), with lead falling to a 21-month low, as concerns regarding the impact of the economic slowdown in Western Europe and the United States grew, dealers said.

The announcement Friday that automobile firms General Motors, Ford and Chrysler were to stop production in a further 14 plants in the United States was further evidence of a gathering recession, which is likely to seriously affect base metal demand.

Three-month lead continued its recent downward trend, being quoted at a 21-month low of 346 pounds per ton on the kerb, compared to the afternoon ring close at 350 pounds per ton and the close Friday at 353 per ton.

Nickel recovered slightly on the kerb to 7,950 dollars per ton, against 7,900 dollars at the end of the afternoon ring and 7,975 per ton at the close Friday. The metal had earlier fallen to a nine-month low of 7,810 dollars in the morning ring.

Tin eased on anticipation of an LME stock increase, when the latest data are published Tuesday, being quoted at 6,036 dollars per ton on the kerb against 6,050 dollars per ton on the afternoon ring and 6,090 dollars at the close Friday.

Three-month copper, the only metal to show a slight improvement on the day, was quoted in after-hours kerb trading at 1,318 pounds per ton, marginally up on 1,316 pounds in the afternoon ring and 1,314 pounds at the close Friday.

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#90330d9420 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LUXEMBOURG (NOV 26) - The European Investment Bank, the European Economic Community's bank for project finance, is to lend 45 million pounds (84 million dollars) to improve water in southwest England, the bank said here Monday.

The money will go to ensure the safety of drinking water and improve the quality of bathing water and rivers, mainly along coastal areas.

The bank said this was part of a programme to improve water and sewage facilities, and sludge treatment to end dumping sludge at sea.

It has so far lent 385 million pounds (755 million dollars) for British water projects this year.

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#90330d9550 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 26) - Chances have improved for settlement of a strike at Nice Airport that has paralyzed it for 11 days, union and employer sources said here on Monday.

They said this was a result of the signature of delegates from the Force Ouvriere and CFDT unions of an agreement with national carrier Air France to ask employees at Nice Airport to resume work on Tuesday, they said.

The CGT union, which also took part in the negotiating meeting at Air France's Paris headquarters, refused to sign the agreement.

The fate of the work stoppage depends on a general meeting of all Air France staff assigned to Nice called for Tuesday morning to approve or reject Monday's agreement. Air France said that in the meantime, it was maintaining its cancellation of all Nice flights until Tuesday noon. The content of the agreement was not revealed.

The conflict arose due to fears about employment at the announcement of the abolition of seven routes between Nice and foreign cities and of a re-organization of connections with Paris involving the Air Inter domestic airline.

The union delegates from Nice attending the Paris meeting on Monday had come up to the capital by train.

-30- 1391

#90330d9910 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PANAMA CITY (NOV. 26) - The U.S. Army announced Monday it would pull all its military police staff assigned to joint patrols with Panamanian authorities before the end of December.

The withdrawal comes as a result of an agreement with Panamanian President Guillermo Endara, said Colonel James Steele, Chief of the U.S. Military Support Group here. The group was created after the December 20, 1989 military invasion by U.S. troops.

The U.S. Southern Command based here refused to reveal the number of U.S. military police still on duty in Panama.

Some 26,000 U.S. troops were involved in last December's invasion of Panama leading to the toppling of the regime of General Manuel Antonio Noriega whose regime was replaced by the coalition led by Mr. Endara.

The United States maintains 14 military bases and about 12,000 troops in Panama's Canal zone, which is set to revert to Panamanian sovereignty at the turn of the century.

Domestic opposition groups raised concerns recently about some 25 U.S. military specialists now working on intelligence matters and with Panamanian police.

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#90330d9950 11/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV 26) - British writer Salman Rushdie travelled to a North London television studio to be interviewed Monday in his first outing since going into hiding more than 18 months ago.

Rushdie wanted to appear personally and turned down the opportunity to record the interview at a secure location, said a spokesman for the British Broadcasting Corporation Bbc.

The Indian-born author, whose life is still threatened by radical Moslems outraged at his allegedly-blasphemous 1989 novel The Satanic Verses, told viewers Monday evening: ''I want to slowly begin to pinch back bits of my life.''

Rushdie said it was time to cool the heated discussion over The Satanic Verses adding: ''That involves talking to Moslem leaders to try and find common ground and it seems to me that there is a lot of common ground but the point is to make it more solid.''

''Far from an incitement to religious hatred it is a religious book and it is engaged with religion,'' said Rushdie who was ''sentenced to death'' by the late Iranian revolutionary leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini in 1989 following the publication of the novel.

-30- 1334

#90330e0002 11/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (NOV. 26) EFE - Argentine President Carlos Menem Monday is to sign a decree slashing 122,000 jobs from the country's bloated public sector over the next three years.

Economy Minister Antonio Erman Gonzalez and Education Minister Antonio Salonia said the drastic cuts would help transform inefficient state agencies and save dlrs 1.4 billion.

Government officials said they were confident the unemployed would be quickly absorbed into the private sector, and Erman Gonzalez said workers left jobless would be given several options to remedy their situation.

He said they may receive indemnization payments for 10 or 12 months while looking for another job, transfer to other state enterprises or retire.

Presidential aide Raul Granillo Ocampo said the government would prevent people from holding more than one state job by setting the same working hours for all state agencies.

But the head of the Confederation of Education Workers, Mary Sanchez, said job losses in her sector "would mean neglecting the educational system".

Salonia said the government would likely set a percentage of reductions for administrative personnel, professors and teachers.

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#90330e0011 11/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MANILA (NOV. 26) EFE - Philippine authorities put many areas of the country on maximum alert Monday as southern and central islands were threatened by another major typhoon.

Weather forecasters said Typhoon Page was fast approaching the island archipelago where hundreds of people were killed two weeks ago by Typhoon Mike.

The capital, Manila, is among the regions where warnings have gone out to citizens to prepare for 205 kph winds in the next two days.

Civil Defense forces Monday said the official death toll from Typhoon Mike was now 436 while another 141 were still missing, presumed dead.

With more than 600,000 homes destroyed or damaged by Typhoon Mike's 250 kph winds and torrential rains, repair costs have been estimated at dlrs 328 million.

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#90330e0026 11/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (NOV. 26) EFE - As foreign investment climbed during October, Spain's current account deficit was 22 percent down on the same month last year, despite renewed growth in the trade deficit, the Bank of Spain reported Monday.

The current account deficit for October was 141 billion pesetas (dlrs 1.4 billion).

Foreign investment for the month was up 35 percent on October 1989, reaching dlrs 1.97 billion.

The trade deficit in October 1990 reached dlrs 3.35 billion, seven per cent higher than in October 1989, and halting a downward trend of recent months.

In January to October 1990, Spain posted a trade deficit of dlrs 24 billion,

three per cent higher than during the same period last year.

Net tourism income for the first 10 months of 1990 was dlrs 11.9 billion, a rise of 16 percent over the same period in 1989.

Despite an October increase, foreign investment of dlrs 15.2 billion for the first 10 months of the year was down some nine per cent on the same period last year, during which Spain received dlrs 16.7 billion.

The surplus in long-term capital flows during October was roughly equal at dlrs 1.82 billionto levels during the same month last year.

But during the first 10 months of 1990, the surplus was down 19 percent on the same period last year.

The decline was the result of an increase in Spanish investment and lending abroad, the bank said.

Spanish Customs figures also released Monday show October imports up 8.6 percent on the same month last year, with the month's exports down 8.8 percent on October 1989.

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#90330e0031 11/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (NOV. 26) EFE - Share prices edged down on the Madrid stock exchange Monday with the general index slipping 3.32 points to close the day at 227.52.

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#90330e0057 11/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SKOPJE, YUGOSLAVIA (NOV. 27) - Nationalists in the Yugoslav republic of Macedonia were ahead of the ruling Communist party following the weekend's second round of parliamentary elections, partial official results showed.

The nationalist Macedonian Revolutionary Organization of the Interior (VMRO) have gained 31 seats out of the 81 seats ajudicated so far for the 120-member regional parliament, according to official results Monday.

The results showed the Communists have gained 21.

The mainly ethnic-Albanian Party of Prosperity was running third with 13 seats followed by the Union of Reformist Forces of Prime Minister Ante Markovic which won eight seats in the second ballot Sunday.

Eight seats went to minority parties.

Results for six of the 39 seats still to be decided are expected to be known

Tuesday while a second round of voting is to be held in the remaining 33 constituencies where the first ballot on November 11 was anulled because of voting irregularities.

VMRO leader Ljupco Georgievski has called for the union of Macedonians in Yugoslav with those of Bulgaria and northern Greece.

The VMRO has also called for the banning of the Party of Prosperity claiming it is an organization composed of ethnic Albanians who previously invaded Macedonia.

Yugoslavia's uneasy transition to democracy after more than 40 years of one-party rule under the Communists has unleashed nationalist tensions that threaten to tear the six-republic federation apart.

Communists were swept from power in recent polls in the republics of Croatia, Slovenia and Bosnia.

Serbia, the largest and populous of the six republics, and Montenegro, have yet to go to the polls.

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#90330h0017 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 26) XINHUA - KENYA AIRWAYS EARNED 3,075 MILLION KENYAN SHILLINGS (ABOUT 133 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN THE YEAR 1989-90, AN INCREASE OF 680 MILLION SHILLINGS OVER PROJECTED REVENUE, THE KENYAN NEWSPAPER "THE STANDARD" REPORTED TODAY.

THE ENGLISH DAILY QUOTED MR. ALFONSE KIOKO, THE AIRWAYS' MARKET RESEARCH MANAGER, AS SAYING THAT THE PASSENGERS REVENUE WAS 2,814 MILLION KENYAN SHILLINGS, A 31 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THAT OF LAST FISCAL YEAR.

AFTER THE DEDUCTION OF COSTS, THERE IS A NET PROFIT OF 153 MILLION KENYAN SHILLINGS, HE ADDED.

KENYA AIRWAYS THE EAST AFRICAN COUNTRY'S NATIONAL CARRIER, OPERATES OVER 10 INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS AND MORE THAN 40 DOMESTIC FLIGHTS.

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#90330h0060 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 26) XINHUA - INDIA TODAY AGREED TO PURCHASE SURPLUS ELECTRICITY FROM NEPAL AS THE TWO COUNTRIES DECIDED TO UNDERTAKE A JOINT STUDY TO DETERMINE THE OVERALL HYDROELECTRIC POWER POTENTIAL OF THE HIMALAYAN KINGDOM.

THIS DECISION WAS TAKEN BY PRIME MINISTERS OF TWO COUNTRIES CHANDRA SHEKHAR

AND K.P. BHATTARAI.

A JOINT RIVER COMMISSION WOULD DETERMINE THE POTENTIAL OF THE KOSI RIVER BASIN AN INDIAN EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID HERE AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE DAY-LONG TALKS BETWEEN BHATTARAI AND C. SHEKHAR AND INDIAN MINISTERS OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND WATER RESOURCES.

IT WAS STATED THAT NEPAL FAVORED A PROPOSAL FOR SETTING UP A JOINT PROJECT AUTHORITY FOR THE PANCHESHWAR HYDROELECTRIC POWER PROJECT.

THE TWO COUNTRIES AGREED TO ADOPT A PHASED APPROACH FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF HYDROELECTRIC POWER POTENTIAL OF NEPAL FOR MUTUAL BENEFIT, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE NEPALESE PRIME MINISTER, WHO ARRIVED HERE ON SUNDAY FROM MALE AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE FIFTH SAARC SUMMIT, LEFT FOR HOME IN THE EVENING.

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#90330h0061 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 26) XINHUA - THE CHINA NATIONAL MACHINERY IMPORT AND EXPORT CORPORATION SIGNED A CONTRACT WORTH 4.84 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS TODAY WITH THE SISU COMPANY OF FINLAND TO IMPORT 34 VEHICLES FOR FOREST FIRE-FIGHTING.

A LOAN OF 4.84 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS WILL COME FROM THE WORLD BANK AS A CONTRIBUTION TO FOREST FIRE PREVENTION AND FOREST RESTORATION IN THE DA HINGGAN MOUNTAINS IN NORTHEAST CHINA, WHERE A DISASTROUS FIRE DESTROYED THOUSANDS OF HECTARES OF TREES THREE YEARS AGO. ENDITEM 26/11/90 13:31 GMT

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#90330h0063 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 26) XINHUA - JAPAN'S NATIONAL POLICE AGENCY (NPA) IS STUDYING NEW LAWS AT CRACKING DOWN ON GROWING UNDERGROUND CRIME SYNDICATES IN THE COUNTRY, ACCORDING TO A LOCAL NEWSPAPER REPORT.

THE NPA HOPES TO CREATE THE NEW LEGISLATION IN TWO TO THREE YEARS. IT WILL FORMALLY SET UP A TEAM OF LEGAL EXPERTS ON THURSDAY AS PART OF EFFORTS FOR THE LEGISLATION, POLICE OFFICIALS WERE QUOTED AS SAYING.

THE NEW LAWS WILL CUT SYNDICATES' SOURCES OF MONEY AND STRENGTHEN GUN CONTROL.

AN ESTIMATED 1.3 TRILLION YEN WAS GAINED BY THE NATION'S 87,000 GANGSTERS LAST YEAR, THE OFFICIALS SAID, ADDING THAT ABOUT 80 PERCENT WAS MADE IN ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES LIKE SALES OF STIMULANT DRUGS.

THE NEW LEGISLATION WOULD SPECIFICALLY ADDRESS THE CONTROL OF REMAINING INCOME. IT WOULD ALSO MAKE IT EASIER TO BAN THE USE OF SYNDICATES' OFFICES AND TO CONFISCATE HANDGUNS SO AS TO PREVENT RIVALRY STRUGGLES, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

STRUGGLES BETWEEN RIVAL GANGS HAVE RESULTED IN A SERIES OF SHOOTING INCIDENTS IN OKINAWA AND OTHER PREFECTURES RECENTLY.

IN OKINAWA ONLY, SIX PEOPLE, INCLUDING TWO POLICEMEN HAVE BEEN SHOT DEAD IN 29 SHOOTING INCIDENTS SINCE SEPTEMBER. ENDITEM 26/11/90 13:49 GMT

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#90330h0068 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 26) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINES' CRUDE OIL IMPORT BILL SHOT UP TO 1.24 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, UP 27 PERCENT ON THE FIGURE FOR THE SAME 1989 PERIOD, ACCORDING TO A REPORT RELEASED BY THE OFFICE OF ENERGY AFFAIRS (OEA) HERE TODAY.

THE RISE WAS DUE TO "THE TREMENDOUS INCREASE IN CRUDE OIL PRICES IN THE WORLD MARKET AS A RESULT OF THE MOUNTING TENSION IN THE PERSIAN GULF," THE OEA REPORT SAID.

THE BILL, HOWEVER, EXCLUDED THE SALES TO THE U.S. MILITARY BASES WHICH AMOUNTED TO 3.4 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

THE OEA NOTED THAT IN SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR ALONE, THE AVERAGE PRICE OF IMPORTED CRUDE OIL SHOT UP TO 28.69 U.S. DOLLARS A BARREL, 9.05 U.S. DOLLARS MORE THAN IN AUGUST THIS YEAR, AND 12.67 U.S. DOLLARS MORE THAN IN SEPTEMBER 1989.

THE PHILIPPINES NOW CONSUMES A DAILY AVERAGE OF 24,000 BARRELS, COSTING SOME 225 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS A MONTH, ACCORDING TO THE COUNTRY'S CENTRAL BANK GOVERNOR JOEY CUISIA.

THE COUNTRY STILL HAS A GROSS FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVE OF 1.9 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS, THE GOVERNOR SAID YESTERDAY.

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#90330h0076 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA (NOV. 26) XINHUA - A VISITING CHINESE JOURNALIST DELEGATION AND THE BANGLADESH FEDERAL UNION OF JOURNALISTS HELD OFFICIAL TALKS HERE TODAY.

JOURNALISTS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES EXCHANGED VIEWS ON PROFESSIONAL HAZARDS AND AREAS OF FURTHER COOPERATION BETWEEN THEM.

HE FIVE-MEMBER CHINESE JOURNALIST DELEGATION LED BY WANG FURU, A MEMBER OF THE PRESIDIUM OF THE ALL-CHINA JOURNALISTS ASSOCIATION, ARRIVED HERE SUNDAY NIGHT.

THEY WILL ALSO VISIT CHITTAGONG AND COX'S BAZAR IN SOUTHEAST BANGLADESH, KHULNA IN THE SOUTH AND JESSORE IN THE WEST OF THE COUNTRY.

THE DELEGATION WILL LEAVE FOR CALCUTTA ON DECEMBER 5 ON A VISIT TO INDIA.

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#90330h0078 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

XI'AN (NOV. 26) XINHUA - A NEW MODEL OF THE YUN-7 PLANE MADE BY THE XI'AN AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY CORPORATION MADE A SUCCESSFUL MAIDEN FLIGHT TODAY IN XI'AN, CAPITAL OF NORTHWEST CHINA'S SHAANXI PROVINCE.

THE NEW PLANE IS AN IMPROVEMENT ON THE OLD YUN-7 AND INCORPORATES MANY NEW TECHNOLOGIES. ITS WINGS, BODY, ENGINES, SCREW AND LANDING GEAR HAVE BEEN IMPROVED AND ITS ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTS INCLUDING COMMUNICATION, NAVIGATION AND AUTOMATIC PILOTING DEVICES WERE IMPORTED FROM GERMANY AND THE UINTED STATES.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE NEW MEDIUM- AND SHORT-RANGE PLANES WILL BE PUT INTO USE AFTER 1992 FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.

THE YUN-7 PLANES ARE THE MOST POPULAR ONES USED IN CHINA'S CIVIL AVIATION. THE PROTOTYPE WAS MADE IN 1984.

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#90330h0087 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MEXICO CITY (NOV. 26) XINHUA - A GOVERNMENT DELEGATION OF AGRICULTURE FROM CHINA, HEADED BY STATE CONSELLOR CHEN JUNSHENG ARRIVED HERE SUNDAY FOR A FIVE-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT.

UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN MEXICO CITY, CHEN, WHO IS IN CHARGE OF AGRICULTURAL, LIVESTOCK AND FISHING AFFAIRS, HELD A BRIEF PRESS CONFERENCE IN THE AIRPORT'S VIPS SALON.

ASKED ABOUT THE GOALS OF HIS VISIT, CHEN ANSWERED THAT THE CHINESE DELEGATION WANTED TO SURVEY THE POSSIBILITY OF ESTA- BLISHING BILATERAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELDS OF AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FISHING AND TO STRENGTHEN EXISTING COOPERATION TIES BETWEEN CHINA AND MEXICO.

HE ADDED THAT THE GOOD AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WERE ENHANCED BY CHINESE PRESIDENT YANG SHANGKUN'S VISIT TO MEXICO IN MAY AND DURING THE MEETING HE HELD WITH PRESIDENT CARLOS SALINAS DE GORTARI.

HE STRESSED THAT YANG'S VISIT OPENED A NEW ERA IN THE HISTORY OF CHINESE-MEXICAN RELATIONS AND THAT HIS VISIT WOULD FURTHER IMPROVE THEM.

CHEN ALSO SAID THAT THERE ARE MANY FIELDS OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WHICH WILL BE STUDIED DURING THE TALKS HE WILL HOLD WITH HIS MEXICAN COUNTERPARTS.

DURING ITS STAY IN MEXICO, THE DELEGATION WILL HOLD MEETINGS WITH AGRICULTURE SPECIALISTS AND THEY WILL VISIT THE INTER- NATIONAL CENTER FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF CORN AND WHEAT, AMONG OTHERS.

THE MEXICAN FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTRY SAID IN A COMMUNIQUE THAT THIS WAS THE HIGHEST LEVEL VISIT SINCE THE CHINESE PRESIDENT'S TRIP TO MEXICO LAST MAY, STRESSING THE EXCELLENT STATE OF THE MEXICO-CHINA RELATIONS WHICH WERE ESTABLISHED IN 1972.

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#90330h0088 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MEXICO CITY (NOV. 26) XINHUA - SPAIN HAS A 600-MEN MILITARY FORCE IN THE PERSIAN GULF AND IT AGREED TO LET ITS MILITARY BASES BE USED FOR THE TRANSFER OF TROOPS TOWARD THE REGION.

THE STATEMENT WAS MADE SUNDAY IN HONDURAS BY SPANISH DEFENSE MINISTER NARCISO SERRA WHO SAID THAT SPANISH FORCES IN THE GULF INCLUDED THREE WARSHIPS TO "COOPERATE WITH THE EMBARGO DECREED BY THE UNITED NATIONS" AGAINST IRAQ FOLLOWING ITS INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

ACCORDING TO A REPORT REACHING FROM TEGUCIGALA, THE SPANISH OFFICIAL TRAVELED TO HONDURAS FROM NICARAGUA TO MEET WITH HONDURAN PRESIDENT RAFAEL LEONARDO CALLEJAS AND WITH ARMED FORCES CHIEF, GENERAL ARNULFO CANTARERO LOPEZ. HE WILL ALSO VISIT THE SPANISH CONTINGENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS MILITARY OBSERVERS FORCE FOR CENTRAL AMERICA (ONUCA), BASED IN TEGULCIGALPA.

SERRA SAID THAT SPAIN BACKED THE U.N. DECREE BY MAINTAINING INTERNATIONAL OBSERVERS IN CENTRAL AMERICA "SINCE THE U.N. CONSIDERS THAT THERE ARE STILL COMMITMENTS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH IN THE REGION."

50 SPANISH OFFICIALS ARE BEING MAINTAINED IN THE AREA AS U.N. OBSERVERS FOR THE REGION'S PEACE PROCESS.

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NEW DELHI (NOV. 26) XINHUA - AN INDEFINITE CURFEW WAS CLAMPED ON INDIA'S WESTERN STATE OF PUNJAB TODAY FOLLOWING MOUNTING TENSION THERE IN THE WAKE OF 15 PERSONS BEING GUNNED DOWN LAST NIGHT.

REPORTS REACHING HERE SAID THAT 13 MILITANTS AND TWO SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS WERE KILLED.

FIVE PERSONS INCLUDING A SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER WERE KILLED AS A RESULT OF INTER-GANG RIVALRY (AMONG SIKH MILITANTS) IN CHAURA VILLAGE IN BATALA DISTRICT.

POLICE NOTED THAT MILITANTS SHOT TWO PERSONS AND INJURED ANOTHER PERSON IN A

HOUSE IN DAYALGRAH VILLAGE IN BATALA DISTRICT. IN ANOTHER INCIDENT IN THE SAME DISTRICT, TWO PERSONS WERE GUNNED DOWN IN ZAILGARH VILLAGE.

A SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER WAS SHOT DEAD BY MILITANTS IN FATEHGARH CHAK VILLAGE AFTER BEING KIDNAPPED FROM AMRITSAR DISTRICT, POLICE SAID.

THREE BULLET-RIDDLED BODIES WERE RECOVERED BY POLICE FROM THE MEHTA AREA IN MAJITHA DISTRICT AND ANOTHER BULLET-RIDDLED BODY WAS RECOVERED FROM TARAN TARN DISTRICT.

IN JALANDHAR DISTRICT, TWO PERSONS ON A SCOOTER OPENED FIRE AT SECURITY FORCE PERSONNEL WHEN ASKED TO STOP. THE SECURITY FORCES RETURNED FIRE AND ONE OF THEM WAS KILLED WHILE THE OTHER ESCAPED, POLICE SAID.

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#90330h0090 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (NOV. 26) XINHUA - ARGENTINIAN FOREIGN MINISTER DOMINGO CAVALLO SAID TODAY THAT THE FISHING ACCORD BETWEEN HIS COUNTRY AND BRITAIN WILL BE RELEASED.

THE STATEMENTS WERE MADE BY CAVALLO THIS MORNING AFTER HE INAUGURATED THE FIRST MEETING ON A REGIONAL COMMON MARKET IN THE PREMISES OF THE NATIONAL BANK.

ARGENTINA AND GREAT BRITAIN HAVE REACHED "A PRELIMINARY ACCORD" ON FISHING IN THE SOUTH ATLANTIC THAT WILL END THE MOST SERIOUS CONTROVERSY BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES SINCE THEY RENEWED THEIR DIPLOMATIC TIES AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR.

THE TWO COUNTRIES ENDED THEIR THIRD ROUND OF BILATERAL RE- LATIONS ON FISHING LAST SATURDAY IN MADRID.

AUTHORIZED SOURCES REPORTED THAT IN THE LAST TWO-DAY NEGOTIATIONS IN MADRID, ARGENTINA AND GREAT BRITAIN HAD AGREED TO PROHIBIT FISHING WITHIN A 50-MILE AREA AROUND THE MALVINAS ISLANDS CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT ZONE THAT HAD BEEN UNI- LATERALLY SET AT 150 MILES IN 1986 BY GREAT BRITAIN.

THE PRELIMINARY FISHING ACCORD IN THE MALVINAS ISLANDS ZONE THAT IS BEING STUDIED BY THE TWO GOVERNMENTS WAS REACHED FOLLOWING INTENSE PRESSURE BY THE LOCAL POPULATION WHO WISHED TO EXTEND THE FISHING PROHIBITION AREA TO 200 MILES.

-30- 1361

#90330h0091 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 26) XINHUA - KING JIGME SINGYE WANGCHUCK OF BHUTAN RETURNED HOME TODAY AFTER A FOUR-DAY VISIT TO INDIA.

DURING HIS STAY THE KING HELD TALKS WITH NEW INDIAN PRIME MINISTER CHANDRA SHEKHAR ON FURTHER STRENGTHENING BILATERAL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES.

INDIA AND BHUTAN ALSO SIGNED A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF TWO MAJOR HYDROELECTRIC POWER PROJECTS IN THE KINGDOM.

AN EARLIER REPORT SAID THE DETAILED PROJECT REPORTS FOR THE CHUKHA TWO AND THREE PROJECTS WILL BE PREPARED WITH INDIAN EXPERTISE AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF 100 MILLION RUPEES (5.8 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS)

THE KING, WHO ARRIVED HERE ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 23) AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE FIFTH SUMMIT OF THE SOUTH ASIAN ASSOCIATION FOR REGIONAL COOPERATION HELD IN THE MALDIVES.

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#90330h0094 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

PANAMA CITY (NOV. 26) XINHUA - PANAMA'S EDUCATION MINISTER ADA LUZ LOPEZ DE GORDON SAID TODAY THAT THE WHOLE COMMUNITY SHOULD FIGHT AGAINST THE SALE, DISTRIBUTION AND CONSUMING OF DRUGS IN SCHOOLS.

IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS, PANAMANIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE DETECTED WIDESPREAD CONSUMING AMONG STUDENTS.

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#90330h0095 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (NOV. 26) XINHUA - THE NUMBER OF BRAZILIANS OVER SIXTY WILL INCREASE GREATLY, ACCORDING TO A SURVEY REPORT BY THE OSWALDO CRUZ FOUNDATION TODAY.

THERE ARE 13 MILLION BRAZILIANS OVER THE AGE OF SIXTY. THIS NUMBER WILL GROW TO 33 MILLION PEOPLE IN THE YEAR 2025, A 292 PERCENT INCREASE, THE REPORT SAID.

BRAZILIANS HAVE BEEN LIVING A COMPARATIVELY SHORT LIVES. ANOTHER SURVEY BY THE BRAZILIAN GEOGRAPHY AND STATISTICS INSTITUTE (IBGE) SHOWED THAT 76.1 PERCENT OF BRAZIL'S 144.293 MILLION PEOPLE WERE UNDER 40 WHILE 41.3 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION WERE UNDER 17.

REPORTS FROM THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION SAID THAT IN 2025, BRAZIL WOULD BE SIXTH RANKED AS ONE OF THE COUNTRIES WITH THE OLDEST POPULATION, AFTER CHINA, INDIA, THE SOVIET UNION, THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN.

-30- 937

#90330h0100 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 26) XINHUA - INDONESIA'S CACAO BEAN EXPORTS ARE PROJECTED TO

INCREASE FROM 76,000 TONS LAST YEAR TO ABOUT 100,000 TONS THIS YEAR, THE "JAKARTA POST" REPORTED TODAY, QUOTING AN EXECUTIVE OF THE INDONESIAN CACAO ASSOCIATION.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE ASSOCIATION P.S. SISWOPUTRANTO SAID IN A WRITTEN ADDRESS READ OUT AT A CACAO BEAN EXPORT TRAINING COURSE IN LAMPUNG LATE LAST WEEK THAT EXPORTS OF THE COMMODITY WERE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE INCREASING TO ABOUT 150,000 TONS IN 1995 AND 250,000 TONS IN THE YEAR 2000.

THE TRAINING COURSE, ATTENDED BY 40 PARTICIPANTS, IS AIMED AT SEARCHING FOR A SOLUTION TO THE MARKETING OF THE CACAO BEAN PRODUCTION IN BENGKULU AND LAMPUNG TWO OF THE COUNTRY'S CENTERS FOR THE COMMODITY.

ACCORDING TO DATA FROM THE INDONESIAN AGRICULTURE MINISTRY, CACAO PLANTATIONS IN INDONESIA, WHICH COVERED OVER 150,000 HECTARES IN 1989, WOULD EXPAND TO ABOUT 300,000 HECTARES IN 1994, THE LAST YEAR OF THE CURRENT FIFTH FIVE-YEAR DEVELOPMENT PLAN PERIOD (1990-95).

THE DATA SHOW THAT THE TOTAL CACAO BEAN PRODUCTION IN THE COUNTRY WAS ESTIMATED AT SOME 135,000 TONS IN 1994, UP FROM ONLY 95,000 TONS IN 1989.

THE WORLD'S CACAO BEAN STOCKS WERE CURRENTLY ESTIMATED AT ABOUT 1.4 MILLION TONS, THE PAPER SAID.

-30- 1429

#90330h0101 11/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAR ENGINE ASSEMBLY PLANT.

OPEING THE PLANT, MUZENDA SAID ZIMBABWE'S MOTOR INDUSTRY HAD UNDERGONE TRAUMATIC EXPERIENCES SINCE 1982 AND THE SITUATION HAD NOT IMPROVED SO FAR.

HE SAID HIS GOVERNMENT HAD MOUNTED A PROGRAM TO STIMULATE LOCAL MANUFACTURE OF VEHICLES AND COMPONENTS AND ENABLE LOCAL METALLURGICAL INDUSTRIES TO SURVIVE.

THE ASSEMBLY LINE IS A JOINT VENTURE BETWEEN THE VILLOWVALE MOTOR INDUSTRIES, A GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED LOCAL COMPANY, AND THE MAZDA CORPORATION OF JAPAN.

THE PLANT WILL START THE ASSEMBLY OF PETROL ENGINES FOR MAZDA 323S AND F1300S IN FEBRUARY.

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#90330k0003 11/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SINGAPORE (NOV. 26) KYODO - EXCEPT FOR THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, SINGAPORE'S EXPORTS TO ITS LARGEST MARKETS, THE UNITED STATES, JAPAN AND MALAYSIA, SLUMPED IN SEPTEMBER, ACCORDING TOTHE TRADE DEVELOPMENT BOARD.

NONOIL EXPORTS OF SINGAPORE-MADE GOODS TO THE UNITED STATES DECLINED 10.1

PERCENT TO 1.4 BILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS (824 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) COMPARED WITH THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR.

THE BOARD ATTRIBUTED THIS TO A SLOWDOWN IN THE EXPORTS OF COMPUTERS, RADIOS, VIDEO CASSETTE RECORDERS, WOVEN CLOTHING FOR MEN, AND HOUSEHOLD ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES.

HAMPERED BY SLACKENING DEMAND FOR RADIOS, COMPUTERS, AND FURNITURE, NONOIL DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO JAPAN DIPPED 10.7 PERCENT TO 226 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS.

NONOIL EXPORTS TO MALAYSIA PLUNGED 29.8 PERCENT TO 207 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS BECAUSE OF LESS DEMAND FOR ELECTRONIC VALVES, TELECOMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT, AND ELECTRICAL CIRCUIT APPARATUS.

BUT NONOIL EXPORTS TO THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY ROSE 15.4 PERCENT TO 869 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS, HELPED BY MORE EXPORTS OF COMPUTERS, VIDEO CASSETTE RECORDERS, AND PARTS FOR OFFICE AND DATA PROCESSING MACHINES.

THE BOARD SAID THE REPUBLIC'S TOTAL EXPORTS FOR SEPTEMBER, INCLUDING OIL AND NONOIL EXPORTS AND REEXPORTS, INCREASED 2.7 PERCENT TO 8 BILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS.

IMPORTS ALSO INCREASED 3.1 PERCENT TO 8.7 BILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS, BRINGING TOTAL TRADE TO 16.7 BILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS.

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#90330k0021 11/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

JAKARTA (NOV. 26) KYODO - THE BIGGEST AUTOMAKER IN INDONESIA PLANS TO FORM A PARTNERSHIP WITH DAIHATSU MOTOR CO. OF JAPAN TO PRODUCE AND MARKET AUTO VEHICLES IN THE COUNTRY, THE HEAD OF THE INDONESIAN COMPANY SAID MONDAY.

T.P. RACHMAT, CHAIRMAN OF PT NATIONAL ASTRA MOTOR, SAID THE PLANNED TIE-UP WILL HANDLE EVERY PROCESS OF AUTO PRODUCTION AND SALES.

APPARENTLY EYING THE RAPIDLY EXPANDING AUTO MARKET THERE, DAIHATSU HAS BEEN POSITIVE ABOUT THE PROJECT, SAYING THAT SUCH A LINK-UP WILL BE BENEFICIAL TO THE COMPANY AS WELL.

OSAKA-BASED DAIHATSU IN THE TOYOTA MOTOR GROUP HAS SO FAR BEEN IN ALLIANCE WITH ASTRA MOTOR IN PRODUCTION OF AUTO PARTS AND ENGINES BUT HAS ENTRUSTED ASSEMBLING AND SALES JOBS FOR ITS PRODUCTS TO THE INDONESIAN FIRM.

THOUGH THE DETAILS HAVE YET TO BE DECIDED, THE PLANNED JOINT VENTURE WILL BE BASED ON A SIMILAR TIE-UP BETWEEN ASTRA AND TOYOTA MOTOR CORP., INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

-30- 1081
#90330k0023 11/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
OSAKA (NOV. 26) KYODO - TSUBAKIMOTO CHAIN CO., A MAJOR MANUFACTURER OF CHAINS AND CONVEYORS, SAID MONDAY IT HAS AGREED TO LICENSE AN ITALIAN COMPANY TO MANUFACTURE AND MARKET ITS INVENTION, THE AUTOTENSIONER.

THE DEVICE, WHICH TSUBAKIMOTO DEVELOPED IN 1985, MAINTAINS CORRECT TENSION ON A BELT CONNECTED TO A CAR'S CAMSHAFT.

THE OSAKA-BASED COMPANY SAID PIRRELLI TRANSMISSIONONI INDUSTRIALI WILL IMPORT THE PRODUCT FROM TSUBAKIMOTO FOR THREE YEARS BEFORE IT LAUNCHES PRODUCTION OF THE AUTOTENSIONER ON ITS OWN IN 1994.

PIRRELLI EXPECTS TO SELL 500,000 OF THE DEVICES IN 1993.

-30- 734
#90330k0025 11/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 26) KYODO - UBE INDUSTRIES LTD. AND MARUBENI CORP. JOINTLY ANNOUNCED MONDAY THAT THEY HAVE ESTABLISHED A FIRM IN BRITAIN THAT WILL MANUFACTURE AND SELL PLASTIC COMPOSITES.

THE NEW LONDON-BASED COMPANY, EUROPEAN TECHNOLOGICAL COMPOSITES LTD., IS CAPITALIZED AT 2 MILLION POUNDS WITH UBE PUTTING UP 70 PERCENT OF THE SUM AND MARUBENI THE REST.

OFFICIALS SAID DEMAND FOR THE MATERIAL IS SEEN TO GROW AS MANY OF ITS USERS, JAPANESE AUTOMAKERS AND OFFICE AUTOMATION EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURERS, ARE INCREASINGLY EXPANDING THEIR OPERATIONS IN EUROPE.

THIS IS THE SECOND SUCH FIRM ESTABLISHED OVERSEAS BY THE TWO COMPANIES FOLLOWING THE ONE SET UP IN THE UNITED STATES IN 1985. THE COMPANY EXPECTS TO COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION OF ITS PLANT AND BEGIN PRODUCTION BY AROUND APRIL 1992.

UBE IS A COMPREHENSIVE JAPANESE MANUFACTURER OF CHEMICALS, CEMENT, MACHINERY, AND INDUSTRIAL PLANTS AND IS NOTED FOR PRODUCTION OF CAPROLACTAM, THE RAW MATERIAL OF NYLON. MARUBENI IS JAPAN'S FOURTH LARGEST TRADING COMPANY.

-30- 1182
#90330k0030 11/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 26) KYODO - NISSAN MOTOR CO. ANNOUNCED MONDAY IT HAS ACQUIRED AN EQUITY STAKE IN EACH OF TWO THAI AUTOMAKERS FOR THE EQUIVALENT OF 9 BILLION YEN WITH AN EYE TO EXPANDING BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES IN THE COUNTRY'S GROWING MOTOR VEHICLE MARKET.

NISSAN BOUGHT 25 PERCENT OF SIAM MOTORS AND NISSAN CO. (SNA) FOR 6.7 BILLION YEN AND AS MUCH OF SIAM AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY CO. (SAI) FOR 2.3 BILLION YEN,

OFFICIALS SAID.

BOTH ARE SUBSIDIARIES OF SIAM MOTORS CO. (SMC). SNA PRODUCES NISSAN PASSENGER CARS AND SAI NISSAN COMMERCIAL VEHICLES.

OFFICIALS SAID NISSAN CURRENTLY HAS A 17.2 PERCENT SHARE OF THE THAI AUTOMOBILE MARKET AND PLANS TO INCREASE IT TO 25 PERCENT BY 1995.

-30- 858

#90330k0066 11/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NAGOYA, NOV. 26 KYODO - BANK OF JAPAN GOVERNOR YASUSHI MIENO ON MONDAY EXPRESSED HIS SUPPORT FOR THE SCHEDULED HOLDING OF THE INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (IDB) ANNUAL MEETING IN NAGOYA NEXT APRIL.

THE CENTRAL BANK GOVERNOR OFFERED HIS SUPPORT DURING A MEETING HERE WITH REGIONAL BUSINESS LEADERS.

THE IDB PROVIDES DEVELOPMENT FUNDS FOR CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRIES.

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#90330k0067 11/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 26) KYODO - JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA AGREED TO EXPAND COOPERATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN TALKS MONDAY, THE FIRST DAY OF THE JAPAN-SOUTH KOREAN MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE, JAPANESE OFFICIALS SAID.

TOMOJI OSHIMA, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF JAPAN'S SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AGENCY, MET WITH SOUTH KOREAN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MINISTER KIM JIN HYUN. THEY AGREED TO PROMOTE COOPERATION BETWEEN RESEARCH ORGANIZATIONS IN EACH NATION IN AVIATION, SPACE, LIFE SCIENCES, MARINE SCIENCE, AND NEW MATERIALS.

THE JAPAN-SOUTH KOREA NUCLEAR COOPERATION COUNCIL, WHICH HELD ITS FIRST MEETING HERE EARLIER THIS MONTH, WILL SERVE AS THE HUB OF A NUMBER OF JOINT NUCLEAR PROJECTS AGREED UPON BY THE MINISTERS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

A TOTAL OF 22 JOINT RESEARCH PROJECTS WILL BE INITIATED NEXT YEAR, SOUTH KOREA'S YONHAP NEWS AGENCY REPORTED.

YONHAP ALSO REPORTED THAT A BASIC SCIENCE COOPERATION COMMITTEE, COMPRISED OF SOME 14 LEADING SCIENTISTS FROM EACH NATION, WILL BE SET UP IN DECEMBER TO DECIDE ON PROJECTS, ARRANGE SEMINARS, AND SET UP EXCHANGES OF RESEARCHERS. THE COMMITTEE WILL HAVE ANNUAL MEETINGS, ALTERNATING BETWEEN SEOUL AND TOKYO.

THE TWO MINISTERS AGREED TO CONTINUE THEIR EFFORTS IN PROMOTING SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION AT THE FOURTH JAPAN-SOUTH KOREA SCIENCE AND TECHONOLOGY COOPERATION COMMITTEE MEETING IN TOKYO IN DECEMBER, JAPANESE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90330k0068 11/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
BANGKOK (NOV. 26) KYODO - THAI FOREIGN MINISTER SUBIN PINKAYAN SAID MONDAY THAT THAILAND WOULD CHARGE VIETNAM A RENTAL FEE FOR THE LAND ON WHICH ITS EMBASSY IN BANGKOK IS BUILT.

SUBIN SAID THE OFFICIAL LAND DEPARTMENT HAD ALREADY COMPLETED THE NECESSARY LEGAL PROCEDURES IN ORDER TO CHARGE A RENTAL FEE TO THE VIETNAMESE EMBASSY, LOCATED IN A PRIME AREA OF THE THAI CAPITAL.

SUBIN SAID THE DECISION WAS MADE AS A CORRESPONDING MEASURE TO A PREVIOUS REQUEST BY THE VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT TO CHARGE A MONTHLY RENTAL FEE FOR THE FORMER THAI EMBASSY IN HO CHI MINH CITY, WHICH THE THAI GOVERNMENT WOULD LIKE TO REACTIVATE AS A CONSULATE OFFICE.

THAILAND'S PLAN TO USE THE FORMER EMBASSY WAS DISCUSSED BETWEEN FORMER THAI FOREIGN MINISTER SIDDHI SAVETSILA AND HIS VIETNAMESE COUNTERPART NGUYEN CO THACH.

VIETNAM HAD RECENTLY INFORMED THAILAND THAT IT COULD NOT RECOGNIZE THE RIGHT OF LAND OWNERSHIP BY THE THAI GOVERNMENT TO THE FORMER EMBASSY PREMISES, WHICH THAILAND BOUGHT DURING THE FORMER GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH VIETNAM.

HOWEVER, VIETNAM WELCOMED THAILAND TO OPEN A CONSULATE OFFICE ON THE PREMISES ON CONDITION THAT IT PAY A MAINTENANCE FEE FOR THE PAST 15 YEARS AND A MONTHLY RENTAL FEE.

SUBIN SAID IF VIETNAM COULD RESCIND RECOGNITION OF THE THAI GOVERNMENT'S RIGHT TO THE PREMISES THEN THAILAND COULD NOT RECOGNIZE VIETNAM'S RIGHT TO THE PRESENT VIETNAMESE EMBASSY IN BANGKOK, WHICH WAS BOUGHT BY THE FORMER SOUTH VIETNAM GOVERNMENT.

HOWEVER, HE SAID, THE ISSUE NEEDED TO BE DISCUSSED FURTHER AT THE TECHNICAL LEVEL BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES, AND WOULD NOT RANK AS A POLICY LEVEL MATTER DURING THE COMING VISIT TO THAILAND BY VIETNAMESE PRIME MINISTER DO MUOI NEXT JANUARY.

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#90330k0069 11/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
SEOUL (NOV. 26) KYODO - TEN YEARS AFTER FORMER PRESIDENT CHUN DOO HWAN'S REGIME ABOLISHED SOME MEDIA OUTLETS AND FORCIBLY MERGED OTHERS, THERE HAS BEEN A FLURRY OF LAWSUITS SEEKING DAMAGES.

WITH THE 10-YEAR STATUE OF LIMITATIONS ABOUT TO RUN OUT, 21 LAWSUITS HAD BEEN FILED AS OF MONDAY.

MANY SOUTH KOREAN PUBLICATIONS WERE ABOLISHED OR MERGED WITH OTHERS, AND ALL PRIVATE BROADCASTING STATIONS MERGED INTO STATE-OWNED NETWORKS UNDER THE 1980 MEDIA PURGE LAW, LEAVING KOREA WITH ITS PRESENT TWO TELEVISION NETWORKS AND SINGLE NEWS AGENCY.

THE LAW ALSO LIMITED HOW MANY PAGES NEWSPAPERS COULD HAVE AND BARRED SEOUL PAPERS FROM STATIONING CORRESPONDENTS IN THE PROVINCES.

REPORTERS WHO LOST THEIR JOBS IN THE MEDIA PURGE ARE ALSO SUING THE GOVERNMENT AND MEDIA OUTLETS FOR COMPENSATION.

THE JOONGANG ILBO, AN INFLUENTIAL EVENING NEWSPAPER, FILED SUIT MONDAY AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PUBLIC KOREAN BROADCASTING SYSTEM (KBS), DEMANDING 86 BILLION WON (120 MILLION DOLLARS) IN COMPENSATION AND THE RESTORATION OF ITS BROADCASTING AFFILIATE, WHICH WAS MERGED INTO KBS.

OTHER MAJOR MEDIA INSTITUTIONS HAVE ALSO FILED SIMILAR SUITS. DONG-A ILBO, ANOTHER MAJOR EVENING DAILY, IS DEMANDING THE RESTORATION OF ITS AFFILIATE RADIO NETWORK.

HANKOOK ILBO, A MAJOR MORNING DAILY, IS ASKING FOR 10 BILLION WON IN DAMAGES FOR THE CLOSURE OF ITS AFFILIATE SEOUL ECONOMIC DAILY. THE ECONOMIC DAILY RESUMED PUBLICATION IN 1988.

MANY NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES HAVE BEEN SET UP SINCE PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO CAME TO POWER IN 1988 AND LIFTED MOST PRESS RESTRICTIONS.

THE SOUTH KOREAN GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO GRANTED PERMISSION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PRIVATE TELEVISION NETWORK, THE COUNTRY'S FIRST SINCE THE 1980 MEDIA PURGE. THE NETWORK IS EXPECTED TO GO ON THE AIR LATE NEXT YEAR.

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#90330k0072 11/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 26) KYODO - A MISSION OF THE JAPAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, LED BY CHAMBER PRESIDENT ROKURO ISHIKAWA, LEFT HERE FOR LOS ANGELES MONDAY EVENING TO BEGIN A TOUR OF THE UNITED STATES AND EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH U.S. GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS LEADERS ON JAPAN-U.S. ECONOMIC RELATIONS.

THE GROUP OF SOME 100 BUSINESS EXECUTIVES IS SCHEDULED TO RETURN HOME DECEMBER 9.

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#90330k0078 11/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 26) KYODO - THE PHILIPPINES POSTED A 3.58 PERCENT GROWTH IN GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP) BETWEEM JANUARY AND SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR, DOWN FROM THE 5.44 PERCENT GROWTH DURING THE SAME PERIOD IN 1989, THE COUNTRY'S

NATIONAL STATISTICAL COORDINATION BOARD REPORTED MONDAY.

THE BOARD SAID THE INFLATION RATE FOR THE SAME NINE MONTHS SHOT UP TO 13 PERCENT COMPARED WITH THE 9.17 PERCENT REGISTERED IN THE COMPARABLE PERIOD LAST YEAR.

THE COUNTRY'S GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP) GREW BY ONLY 2.78 PERCENT IN THE PERIOD, DOWN FROM THE 5.64 PERCENT GROWTH IN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, THE BOARD SAID.

IN THE THIRD QUARTER, GNP GROWTH WAS LOGGED AT 3.44 PERCENT COMPARED WITH THE 5.45 PERCENT IN THE SAME QUARTER LAST YEAR. IN THE SAME PERIOD, GDP MARKED 2.88 PERCENT GROWTH COMPARED WITH 5.39 PERCENT IN 1989.

THE BOARD SAID ALL MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS POSTED A SLOWDOWN ''AS A RESULT OF A SERIES OF UNFAVORABLE EVENTS,'' SUCH AS THE DEVASTATING JULY 16 EARTHQUAKE, STRONG TYPHOONS, AND THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS.

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#90330k0085 11/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

YANGON (NOV. 26) KYODO - NEARLY 400 MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF ILLEGAL DRUGS, INCLUDING 165 KILOGRAMS OF HIGH GRADE HEROIN AND 1,200 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA, WERE BURNED IN YANGON ON MONDAY.

FOREIGN DIPLOMATS AND U.S. DRUG CONTROL OFFICIALS OBSERVED THE DESTRUCTION OF THE DRUGS.

THIS WAS THE FOURTH PUBLIC BURNING OF DRUGS SINCE FEBRUARY, AND BROUGHT THE AMOUNT OF DRUGS DESTROYED THIS YEAR TO 736 KILOGRAMS OF HEROIN AND OVER 2,000 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA.

POLICE SAID THERE ARE OVER 30,000 REGISTERED DRUG ADDICTS IN MYANMAR.

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#90330k0090 11/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 26) KYODO - THE SOVIET UNION'S GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP) IN 1991 WILL DECLINE ABOUT 1.3 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR TO SOME 1.2 TRILLION RUBLES, DUE MAINLY TO A DECLINE IN INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION AND INVESTMENT, A TOP SOVIET OFFICIAL SAID MONDAY.

THE FORECAST WAS MADE AS SOVIET FIRST DEPUTY PREMIER YURI MASLYUKOV INTRODUCED THE STATE ECONOMIC PLAN AND FORECAST FOR FISCAL 1991 TO THE SUPREME SOVIET, THE NATION'S PARLIAMENT.

SOVIET FINANCE MINISTER VIKTOR PAVLOV ALSO PREDICTED THAT THE SOVIET BUDGET FOR 1991, ALSO SUBMITTED TO THE PARLIAMENT THE SAME DAY, WOULD REGISTER A 13.2

BILLION RUBLE DEFICIT -- THE THIRD CONSECUTIVE FISCAL BUDGET DEFICIT.

HE SAID THAT ESTIMATED REVENUES WILL TOTAL 248 BILLION RUBLES IN THE COMING YEAR, COMPARED WITH 261.2 BILLION RUBLES IN ESTIMATED OUTLAYS.

SOVIET INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IN 1991 IS EXPECTED TO TOTAL 1,478 BILLION RUBLES DOWN 1.5 PERCENT FROM THE FORECAST FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.

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#90330k0112 11/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 27) KYODO - JAPAN WILL PROVIDE THE PHILIPPINES WITH 400,000 DOLLARS IN EMERGENCY AID TO HELP RESTORATION WORKS IN TYPHOON-STRICKEN AREAS IN THE COUNTRY, CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY MISOJI SAKAMOTO SAID TUESDAY.

TYPHOON MIKE LASHED CEBU ISLAND, SOUTH OF THE MAIN ISLAND OF LUZON, IN MID-NOVEMBER. IT REPORTEDLY LEFT 532 PEOPLE EITHER DEAD OR MISSING, AND SOME 310,000 HOUSES COLLAPSED.

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#90330m0001 11/26/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 26) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

North Sea crude is up $2.20 this morning to $33.20. ... The Nikkei shrugs off higher oil prices and adds 363 points. ... After opening higher, the FTSE falls, losing 12 points by early afternoon in London. ... U.S. stocks in London are slightly lower. ... The dollar is higher and the yield on the long bond is up to 8.49%. ... The TREASURY DEPARTMENT reports the budget deficit in October was $31.5 billion and, that for all of fiscal 1990, it was $220.4 billion. ... MCA says it has not yet approved a takeover bid from MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC. ... TREFOIL CAPITAL INVESTORS says it will be unable to complete its planned purchase of CNC HOLDING CORP.'s 82% stake in CHILD WORLD INC. ... The ASSOCIATION FOR MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY says machine tool orders rose 1.9% in October, thanks to foreign demand.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

PRESIDENT BUSH files to Mexico this morning for two days of talks with MEXICAN PRESIDENT CARLOS SALINAS de GORTARI. ... The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS reports on existing home sales for October this morning. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT issues third-quarter merchandise trade figures tomorrow and the CONFERENCE BOARD puts out its consumer confidence index for November. ... Third-quarter revised GNP figures are released by COMMERCE on Wednesday, along with third- quarter corporate profits and October durable goods. ... COMMERCE reports on personal income and outlays for October on Thursday and, on Friday,

issues leading indicators for October.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I think we're in a secular bull market and I think the correction we've had has been a cyclical bear market," says JOHN WOSCZYNA of RONEY & CO. "When I look at all the components of the Dow - if I look at their upside potential from a long-term perspective - I can come up with numbers anywhere from 3800 up to 4700." He sees the market accelerating toward that level next year. (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 11/23)

FROM THE BEARS:

"What we've had recently is basically an interest rate rally," says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA, director of research at GRUNTAL & CO. "That's pretty much complete now and the stock market is looking for something new to hang its hat on. It's got to look at the Christmas season in terms of the economy. It doesn't like what it sees, so it will probably pull back from here. ... I think you will see more easing, but it won't be enough to move the market higher. Most of the expectation has been built into this move we've had, and it's pretty much completed." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/23)

KEN SPENCE at SALOMON BROTHERS believes investors buying into the market's rally since October are being fooled by what he sees as a classic bear market rally. He looks for more bad news after the first of the year and advises investors to be prepared for the Dow to fall to 2100 or lower. (WSJ, 11/26)

STOCK MARKET:

The Mideast situation will hurt the market today and throughout the week, says DAVID MARSHALL of MMS in New York. Marshall expects the 2500 area on the Dow to continue to hold. "It seems to have found a bottom around this level," he says. "Although I thought we might go down to 2000, that's not my opinion any longer." He looks for the market to stay down through the rest of the year and into 1991. "There's nothing to bring the market back." (FNN "Business A.M.", 11/26)

HOWARD COLHOUN believes there will be war in the Middle East and that the market will go down sharply for the first two or three days of the conflict. "I think that is a buying opportunity and then you will see ... the pressure coming off and the market will rise," he says. "I would suggest that if that occurs, people buy on that 200 or 250-point decline." ("Wall Street Week", 11/23)

"While stocks are a lot cheaper than they were four months ago, they are not cheap," says GERALD PERROT in "Investment Horizons." He says stock prices would have to drop an additional 15%-25% before reaching undervalued territory. "Market valuation models are telling us that a bottom would be

reached in the 1850-2150 range." He advises investors to increase equity allocations only after the Dow breaks through 2200. (CNBC "World Business", 11/26)

"It's very much a stock picker's kind of market, which is not terribly comforting to a lot of people," says LASZLO BIRINYI of BIRINYI & ASSOCIATES. "But the truth is the market is performing substantially better than the general mood of investors would indicate." (WSJ, 11/26)

MARY FARRELL says the threat of war "does put a cap on the market breaking out of its trading range, but the other two problems the market is grappling with ... are the recession and a very dismal corporate profit picture." Still, she says "we may be much further through this bear market than we think [and] closer to resolution." She thinks the market could bottom in the first or second quarter of next year. ("Wall Street Week", 11/23)

RICHARD FREEMAN at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS says Friday's market decline "was a case of tradition losing out to oil." He says the increase in short interest is "extraordinary. You've had a lot of amateurs shorting the market and more people are joining in. They're typically late when they do that. Insiders are just not selling. So they, at least, believe that stocks are cheap." ("Investor's Daily", 11/26)

"Against the background of a traditional light day [Friday], the British market could have added a pop," says TRACY HERRICK, an economist at JEFFERIES & CO. in San Francisco. "There was not much to counter a strong thrust. But the carrythrough never went anywhere, as oil moved up a bit, and that clipped the market." (NYT, 11/24)

"The rule of thumb has always been that a new bull market begins halfway into the recession," says ALLEN SINAI, chief economist for the BOSTON CO. "Myself, I think the safer time to invest in stocks is when 1992 is in sight." PETER ELIADES, editor of "Stock Market Cycles" newsletter notes that "all of a sudden we have a lot of bulls coming out of the woodwork. If someone thinks the recession is going to end in the first quarter of next year, you'd want to be buying here." But Eliades believes the recession will be deeper and more severe than any decline since World War II. ("The Washington Post", 11/25)

"Shorting a stock is like telling a parent that their baby is ugly," says JEFFERY MATTHEWS of ROCKER PARTNERS LTD. "You may be factually correct, but you draw an emotional response from the parent." ("Investor's Daily", 11/26)

STOCK TIPS:

"Natural gas stocks are about as appetizing as a bowl of cold chow mein soaked in milk, but that's when you buy them," says ALAN GAINES of GAINES, BERLAND INC. "I see a fast rebound, maybe 10% to 20% in the next one to three months." He tells "USA Today's" DAN DORFMAN his top picks are POGO PRODUCING,

DEVON ENERGY, EDISTO RESOURCES, MESA LIMITED PARTNERS and HALLWOOD ENERGY PARTNERS. ("USA Today", 11/26)

LEUCADIA NATIONAL is featured in "Barron's" this week in an article by ROBERT SCHWERIN of SCHWERIN BOYLE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT in Springfield, Mass. He acknowledges that the company remains largely an "enigma to investors" because its diverse mix of businesses makes for what company management once called "a confusing financial stew." However, Schwerin writes that "those to take the trouble might be rewarded" for looking at Leucadia. He says shares are trading at about 11% below book value and around 50% of true value. ("Barron's", 11/26)

MACEO SLOAN looks for the market to bottom "sometime the first quarter of next year and then it's going back up. It looks like to me a good buying opportunity is going to come along and one that everyone should wait for. ... I think some of those stocks that have been absolutely crushed are going to be some of the same ones that lead the charge back up." He mentions COCA-COLA and PEPSICO as leaders in that category. ("Wall Street Week", 11/23)

TYCO TOYS INC. and its powerful chairman are featured in the Sunday edition of "The New York Times." "If Benson Seizer resigned from the board, I could see Tyco as an $18 to $20 stock," says SEAN McGOWAN, a toy industry analyst with GERARD KLAUER MATTISON & CO. "The fear investors have is they don't know what new shenanigans they'll read about in next year's proxy." The stock is trading over the counter at 9 3/4 a share, or 5.7 times estimated 1990 earnings. "I'm bullish, but it's not a table-pounding idea [to buy Tyco]," says McGowan. "Until things clear up, it will always trade at a discount." (NYT, 11/25)

EXXON is the favorite among the 26 stocks I.W. BURNHAM holds in the $124 million BURNHAM FUND that he manages. He terms it "an outstanding buy, but also a conservative buy." Noting that some analysts criticize Exxon for maintaining a chemical operation that is a drag on earnings, Burnham argues that when oil prices fall, chemicals boom. "That's why it's such a beautiful play, in my opinion," he says. "Either way it goes, they come out ahead. That's why it's such a great stock for virtually anyone - for widows, orphans, people who want some inflation protection, people who want some income." BAUSCH & LOMB and COOPER TIRE & RUBBER are the featured stocks in the "Investment News & Views" section of "Barron's" this week. ("Barron's", 11/26)

"In the retailing industry, you want to look at companies like a LIZ CLAIBORNE " says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA at GRUNTAL & CO. He also likes WAL-MART and TOYS R US. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/23)

KENNETH HACKEL of SYSTEMATIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INC. says the "publishing industry is an excellent source of companies which are selling at very undervalued free cashflow multiples." He mentions NEW YORK TIMES, MERIDITH CORP. and TIMES MIRROR. ("Wall Street Week", 11/23)

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#90330m0002 11/26/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys
FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 26) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"The fundamentals for the dollar remain very negative and they are likely to get more negative as the market focuses on the upcoming economic data, especially jobs data," says ANNE MILLS at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "People are talking about the next Fed ease." PRUDENTIAL-BACHE's BOB PABROKI says, "We know [an easing] is the direction, but the question is the timing. On the one side, there's the idea that the Fed will lower rates one more notch. But on the other side of the coin is the Persian Gulf situation, which is giving the dollar some support." (WSJ, 11/26)

PETER GRANDICH at A-F-M INVESTMENTS says the big jump in platinum on Friday probably was largely the result of overblown reaction to a little bit of news in a very thin market. However, he says trouble in the South African mines does point to higher platinum prices because the only other producer of the metal is the Soviet Union, which has problems of its own. He remains bullish on precious metals in general, looking for gold to top $500. "If you want to believe that you should buy when nobody wants it, then gold is it because the headlines that were around in 1982 on equities now apply to gold," he says. Grandich believes Europeans are buying up gold because the believe the Federal Reserve eventually will "monetize the debt." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/23)

"The fact that the bond market has rallied on ... cuts in the [federal] funds rate suggests that the economy is weakening at a faster rate than the Fed is easing," says PAUL KASRIEL at NORTHERN TRUST CO. in Chicago. "The Fed is winning its battle against inflation and its move to ease monetary policy is not over." (NYT, 11/26)

THE ECONOMY:

"When oil prices decline from where they are now ... we will come out of it [an economic downturn] sometime in the middle of next year," says MICHAEL BOSKIN, chairman of the president's COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS. "The overwhelming bulk of forecasters believe the economy will merely skirt a recession, or if we have one, it will be brief and rather mild and we will be out of it sometime within the middle of next year." (CNN, 11/24)

"We may already be in a recession, but it will be a mild and brief one," says EUGENE SHERMAN, chief economist at the FEDERAL HOME LOAN BOARD OF NEW YORK. "Consequently, we don't see interest rates going into a free fall. In fact, we

expect the recession to bottom out in the first quarter of 1991 and the economy to turn upward by late spring. Bond investors who expect the inflation rate to decline below current levels will also be disappointed." (NYT, 11/24)

"Certainly things are looking flat, but they're not recessionary," says PETER CANELO at BEAR STEARNS. "The most likely scenario is that the U.S. and the rest of the world are suffering from an oil shock, not a recession. And since oil is coming down from its peaks, and interest rates around the world are falling, the most widely expected recession in history might not happen." (WSJ, 11/26)

"We have resolved a lot of doubts about the economy, particularly about how fast inflation will come down," says RICHARD BERNER at SALOMON BROTHERS. "We are reversing perceptions that inflation will be staying at extraordinarily high levels." RUDOLF THUNBERG at REID THUNBERG & CO. says, "The rate of inflation is likely to diminish over the next several quarters as the economy sinks into recession." (NYT, 11/26)

VICTOR YU, a trader at PRUDENTIAL BACHE, says he expects January crude oil to test $35 a barrel this week. Looking at the Middle East situation, he says "there's been quite a lot of concern about the Soviet position, but more and more people think a violent resolution is likely and the Soviets may agree to it. ("Investor's Daily", 11/26)

"The rise in new [machine tool] orders indicates that - despite gloomy prospects elsewhere in the economy - the level of business activity in the manufacturing technology industries remains firm," says ALBERT MOORE, president of the ASSOCIATION FOR MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY. JAMES PAPER, an analyst with KIRKPATRICK, PETTIS, SMITH INC. in Omaha, agrees that "at the moment, things are looking relatively good. Orders are coming in well from a diverse base of industries and the inquiry rate is strong from potential customers, indicating that the prospects, at least in the short term, are good. The risk is, of course, that the whole economy will go through a downturn and stay down six months to a year or longer." (NYT, 11/26)

IN WASHINGTON:

"If the year continued at October's pace, we'd have a deficit of $270 billion " notes SAMUEL KAHAN, chief economist for FUJI SECURITIES in Chicago. "The bad news is that it's almost certain to be worse instead of better than $270 billion. ... Even if we're lucky enough to avoid recession we won't be able to do much better than achieve a $270 billion deficit." ("Investor's Daily", 11/26)

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#90330p8045 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - BHA Aviation, Inc. has withdrawn its all-cash, multi-million dollar offer to acquire Bar Harbor Airlines, the commuter subsidiary of Eastern Airlines. BHA Aviation was formed by several investors to acquire the airline which operates under the name: "Eastern Express."

Jack E. Robinson, a principal of BHA Aviation and, until several weeks ago, president and CEO of Bar Harbor Airlines, announced that, "We agreed with Eastern on price. All our financing is in place. Unfortunately, we have been unable to secure agreement from Eastern on certain key non-price related contractual provisions which a responsible purchaser must have when dealing with a bankruptcy situation."

BHA was selected by Eastern Airlines to negotiate a definitive purchase agreement to acquire Bar Harbour after besting several other bidders with an all-cash bid.

"We remain interested in consummating the transaction," said Robinson. "Bar Harbour is a very attractive property both as a result of the competitive strategy put in place in recent months and as a result of Trustee Martin Shugrue's overall turnaround of Eastern."

Daniel E. Carpenter, a principal of BHA Aviation and also associated with Benefit Concepts of New York, stated that, "We have the financing capabilities for this deal and to do even larger deals. In fact, we are looking at other airline opportunities right now."

Bar Harbour serves 20 cities in Florida and the Bahamas with 184 daily flights. It is the largest commuter airline in Florida with hubs in Miami and Tampa.

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#90330p8047 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST PALM BEACH, FLA. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Dycom Industries, Inc. (NYSE: DY), today announced the results for its first fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. Gross revenues increased 34 percent to $43,321,142 from $32,331,283 for the first quarter last year. Net income of $2,142,995 reflects a 66 percent increase over last year's first quarter net of $1,290,352. Earnings per share were $0.23, up 26 percent compared with last year's $0.18 restated for the 3-for-2 stock split on Aug. 22, 1990. Backlog of uncompleted contracts on hand at Oct. 31, 1990, was $154.5 million compared $50.5 million at this time last year.

Commenting on the operating results, Thomas R. Pledger said, "Our results for the first quarter just ended were significantly improved over not only last

year's figures but also our revenues and pre-tax earnings in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990. We expect our upcoming second fiscal quarter comparison to prove somewhat more difficult due to the one-time revenues we booked in the second quarter of last year. Dycom prides itself on being capable of providing services to its customers sometimes on extremely short notices and under extenuating circumstances. The NYNEX strike last year and, to a lesser extent, Hurricane Hugo proved to be such cases and we generated business well beyond our planned goals. In the three-month period currently under way we expect to operate under more normal industry conditions and, as such, will face what on the surface will appear to be declining business fundamentals in our year-to-year comparisons. On the contrary, we project our second quarter revenues and profits to increase not only from those reported in the first quarter today but also from those which would have been reported last year without the one-time business and Hurricane Hugo."

Pledger also stated that "the recent announcements of restructurings by both MCI and United Telecommunication's Sprint subsidiary may have raised some questions among shareholders regarding the health of the fiber optic telecommunications line installation business. We continue to work in the long-lines area but have expanded rapidly into the growing local loop market. We feel that Dycom is well-protected from any short-term fluctuations in long-lines business and that our strategy to focus on the fiber-to-the-home market is supported by ongoing industry developments. Corning Inc., a leading manufacturer of fiber optic cable, announced this past quarter that it is increasing its manufacturing capacity for cable by 50 percent to meet rapidly increasing demand. Dycom expects to benefit over the next several years from this increased demand."

Dycom provides fiber optic transmission systems and master contract installation services to the telecommunications industry. The company operates nationwide through wholly owned subsidiaries.

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#90330p8049 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA, (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Right Associates(R) (NASDAQ: RMCI) announced today it has appointed Peter J. Doris executive vice president for its Canadian region and North American Business Development.

Effective Jan. 1, 1991, Doris will have full line responsibility for all management functions in Canada and be responsible for business development activities in North America.

"To address the requirements of an ever more dynamic organization, we have established the position of executive vice president," said Stanley R. Tilton,

president of Right Associates.

Doris has been a senior vice president for North American Sales and has developed and coordinated business activities for Right's offices in the United States and Canada.

Right Associates is headquartered in Philadelphia and has more than 70 offices across the United States and around the world. It is one of the world's leading organizations specializing in outplacement counseling of executives and managers. Outplacement consulting services are designed to assist employers with termination issues and to help the separated employees develop skills and strategies to find new employment.

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#90330p8054 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael Flora & Associates, a full-service advertising agency, has signed an agreement with Standard Federal Bank (NYSE: SFB) and leasing agent Byron W. Trerice Company to become the newest tenant at the Standard Federal Financial Center. Michael Flora & Associates will occupy approximately 7,500 square feet of space on the fourth floor of the granite-clad office complex.

"The Standard Federal Financial Center is one of the finest buildings I've seen," said Michael Flora, president of Michael Flora & Associates. "It stands out from the crowd both architecturally and technologically." Flora added that tenant amenities and location were also prime motivators in influencing his decision to locate in the Standard Federal building.

Standard Federal Executive Vice President Garry G. Carley welcomed the Flora staff and stated, "We look forward to a long relationship with Michael Flora & Associates and trust that we will service the facilities needs of this fine firm for many years to come." Carley also noted that lease space at the Standard Federal Financial Center is moving well, with four companies having scheduled November 1990 move-in dates.

The Standard Federal Financial Center is situated on Big Beaver Road in the center of Troy's business district. It presides over what is called the city's "Golden Corridor," so termed because of the number of major corporations headquartered there, which include Kmart Corporation, Kelly Services, and Volkswagen of America.

The Standard Federal Financial Center offers tenants full-service dining and conference facilities and upgraded build-outs. The building is located on a 26.6-acre landscaped site and features a six-story atrium, which provides a bright expanse of natural light to the building's interior.

Parties interested in lease space should contact John Gordy or Tom Lasky, representatives for Byron W. Trerice Company, at 313-540-1000 for leasing information.

CONTACT: Garry G. Carley of Standard Federal Bank, (313) 637-2501.

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#90330p8056 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTGOMERY, ALA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Blount Inc. (AMEX: BLT) today declared a regular quarterly dividend on its Class A common stock of eleven and one-quarter cents ($0.1125) per share and a regular quarterly dividend on its Class B common stock of ten cents ($0.10) per share.

Both dividends are payable Jan 2, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business Dec. 14, 1990.

The dividend on the Class A common stock reflects the one-and- one-quarter cents per share additional dividend that the Class A shareholders are entitled to over the per-share dividend paid on the Class B common stock.

Blount is an international manufacturing and construction company headquartered in Montgomery, Ala.

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#90330p8057 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAGUNA HILLS, CA. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Community Psychiatric Centers (NYSE: CMY) announced the declaration of the regular quarterly dividend of $.09 per share, payable Jan. 10, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 10, 1990.

Community Psychiatric Centers owns and operates a chain of acute psychiatric hospitals. These facilities are located across the United States, primarily in the western and southeastern sections, and in the United Kingdom.

The stock of Community Psychiatric Centers is traded on the New York, Boston, Midwest and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

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#90330p8065 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOMALL, PA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Scangraphics Inc. (NASDAQ: SCNG), a major supplier of large document and aperture card scanners and software,

announced that it has been awarded U.S. Patent Number 4,972,273 named "High Speed, High Resolution Image Processing System."

The patent involves technology related to image scanning, and describes a process for transforming picture elements from paper, film or similar material into electronic digital signals. Image scanning devices, such as facsimile machines, scan and transmit images as electronic digital signals to another location where the image is printed or stored. Other image scanning devices scan and transmit the signals to a computer where they may be stored, viewed on a terminal, printed or modified.

"We believe the technology covered by this patent, and other pending patents, have application, and are presently being utilized in facsimile products, office copiers and image scanners," stated Tony Trolio, Scangraphics' vice president of engineering. Trolio continued, "Other products which may benefit from the technology are medical X-ray, and other image scanners for paper and microfilm." Scangraphics management is presently evaluating the licensing business opportunities provided to it by the issuance of this patent.

Scangraphics has applied this patented image processing technology in its line of large document scanners called the CF (Continuous Feed) Series. Utilizing this technology, the CF Series scanners produce high quality images from very poor quality source documents.

The imaging market which was $1.2 billion in 1988 is expected to grow to $2.1 billion by 1993, according to a report by Dataquest Inc. This is part of a larger information and image management market which is projected to grow to $12.7 billion in 1993 from $3.35 billion in 1988. These statistics are from a study conducted by the firm of Temple Baker, and Sloane.

Scangraphics is a pioneer and leader in scanning technology for engineering and mapping applications. In addition to large format scanners the company provides aperture card scanners and software systems for drawing revision and conversion. Scangraphics markets its products internationally through Value Added Remarketers, system integrators and distributors.

CONTACT: David P. Gaines, executive vp of Scangraphics, 215-328-1040

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#90330p8071 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA BARBARA, CA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Mentor Corp. (NASDAQ: MNTR) today announced that its board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to one million shares of its common stock. Purchases by the company will depend on a number of factors, including market price of the company's common shares, the company's business and financial position, and general economic and market conditions.

Mentor Corp. develops, manufactures and markets specialized medical products including surgically implantable devices, diagnostic and surgical instruments and disposable products for hospital and home health care.

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#90330p8072 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - John Radziwill, Pierre L. Schoenheimer and Matthew P. Sheppard (the "group"), all directors and officers of Radix Ventures, Inc. (the "corporation") have today extended their tender offer to purchase 100,000 shares of common stock $.01 par value, of the corporation (formerly Lewis Total Marketing Group, Inc.) at $4.50 per share net. The tender offer will now expire on Dec. 14, 1990, unless extended. The tender offer is not conditional upon any minimum number of shares being tendered. The group has reserved the right to purchase shares in excess of 100,000. The exchange agent for the tender offer is Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, 212-406-2740.

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#90330p8079 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, ILL. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Chemical Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: CHW), announced today that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase by the company of up to 10,000,000 shares of its common stock in the open market or in privately-negotiated transactions over the next 24-month period. The company currently has approximately 207,000,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

Jerry E. Dempsey, president and chief executive officer, stated, "The decision to authorize repurchases of Chemical Waste Management common stock reflects the company's belief that, at recent market prices, Chem Waste common stock is a sound financial investment for the company."

Common stock repurchased under the program will be held in the company treasury and will be available for use in connection with business acquisitions by the company, in connection with the company's employee benefit programs or for other general corporate purposes.

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#90330p8083 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CYPRESS, CA. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - PacifiCare Health Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: PHSY) reported today that revenue, earnings and membership reached record levels in fiscal 1990.

Operating revenue for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 50 percent to $975,849,000 compared to revenue of $650,242,000 last year. Earnings for the year were $17,638,000, or $1.48 per share, an increase of 62 percent over the prior fiscal year when the company reported earnings of $10,859,000, or $0.96 per share. Included in the fiscal 1990 results is the gain on the sale of the Austin, Texas, operations of $0.09 per share, which was reported during the first quarter. Total membership increased 22 percent from September 1989 levels to end the year at 673,359.

"Fiscal 1990 was a very successful year for PacifiCare," said Terry Hartshorn, president and chief executive officer. "Increased membership and premium revenue, and a reduction in total health care expenses as a percentage of premium revenue were all contributors to PacifiCare's achievement. Additionally, the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 marks the 11th consecutive quarter that net income has exceeded the prior year's quarterly net income."

Wayne Lowell, PacifiCare's chief financial officer, cited lower hospital costs due to improved utilization as the primary reason for the reduction in total health care expenses. "Slightly offsetting the reduction in health care expenses was an increase in prescription drug costs," said Lowell. "Additionally, we experienced a moderate increase in marketing, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of operating revenue due to increases in advertising expenses and staffing to serve our expanded membership."

"We are looking forward to continued success during the next year as we take steps toward expanding into new areas including the introduction of our Secure Horizons(R) program to our Oklahoma market," said Hartshorn. "We expect these opportunities will further strengthen our leadership position in the managed care industry and ultimately provide long-term value for our shareholders."

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, operating revenue rose 43 percent to $272,815,000 compared to revenue of $190,579,000 for the comparable quarter last year. Net income increased to $5,916,000 or $0.49 per share for a gain of 45 percent over last year's $4,076,000 or $0.36 per share.

PacifiCare owns and operates HMOs in five states including California, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas and Washington. The company also markets Secure Horizons(R), the fourth largest Medicare risk program in the nation. Other operations include an insurance subsidiary licensed in 33 states and independent utilization review services.

PACIFICARE HEALTH SYSTEMS INC.
(Dollars in thousands except per share data)

	3 months ended	12 months ended

	Sept. 30		Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Income Statement:				
Operating revenue	$272,815	$190,579	$975,849	$650,242
Health care services	234,084	163,041	840,534	561,056
Marketing, general and administrative expenses	32,702	23,340	120,581	80,040
Operating income	6,029	4,198	14,734	9,146
Interest income	3,701	2,599	13,577	9,074
Gain on the sale of Austin, Texas operations	---	---	1,750	---
Interest expense and amortization of intangibles	(125)	(111)	(623)	(471)
Income before income taxes	9,605	6,686	29,438	17,749
Provision for income taxes	3,689	2,610	11,800	6,890
Net income	$5,916	$4,076	$17,638	$10,859
Earnings per share	$0.49	$0.36	$1.48	$0.96
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	11,926	11,335	11,885	11,308
Operating Statistics: Medical loss ratio (health care services as a percentage of premium revenue):				
Consolidated	86.4 pct.	86.1 pct.	86.7 pct.	86.8 pct.
Commercial	84.2 pct.	88.5 pct.	86.0 pct.	87.6 pct.
Secure Horizons Medicare	88.9 pct.	83.3 pct.	87.4 pct.	86.0 pct.
Marketing, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of operating revenue	12.0 pct.	12.2 pct.	12.4 pct.	12.3 pct.

	At Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Membership Data:		
PacifiCare of California	480,697	387,345
PacifiCare of Oregon	62,907	51,080
PacifiCare of Oklahoma	89,139	65,262
PacifiCare of Texas	40,616	49,478
Total membership	673,359	553,165

	At Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Balance Sheet Data:		
Cash and marketable securities	$160,430	$142,940
Medical claims and benefits payable	127,200	99,100
Working capital	43,080	27,647
Total shareholders' equity	$74,550	$43,842

CONTACT: Wayne Lowell, CFO, 714-952-1121, or David Erickson (investors), 714-229-2636, both of PacifiCare Health Systems

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#90330p8084 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - International Mobile Machines Corp. (NASDAQ: IMMCC) said today it continues its blistering 400 percent sales and revenue growth which began last year by announcing record fourth quarter Ultraphone(R) orders from two customers.

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These sales further underscored IMM's ability to bring product to the field in record time. "Cluster was little more than a concept in January of 1990, we will ship over $1 million in cluster subscribers this year," according to Bracknell, "and I see the mobile subscriber units selling well into the hundreds of millions of dollars over the next few years. A single IMM system covering 4,000 square miles (11,000 sq. km.) can offer the United States, Mexico and other countries fixed and mobile digital radiotelephone service at low cost and extraordinary quality years ahead of digital cellular."

IMM provides state-of-the-art digital radio technology to telephone companies.

CONTACT: John A. Goetz, vp of IMM, 215-278-7800

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CONTACT: John A. Goetz, vp of IMM, 215-278-7800

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#90330p8086 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) today declared dividends on all series of preferred stock, payable Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business Dec. 26, 1990 as follows:

Series		Amount Per Share
15.25 percent	Series.....	$3.81-1/4
14.625 percent	Series.....	$3.65-5/8
9.875 percent	Series.....	$2.46-7/8
9.52 percent	Series.....	$2.38
9.50 percent	Series.....	$2.37-1/2
8.75 percent	Series.....	$2.18-3/4
7.85 percent	Series.....	$1.96-1/4
7.80 percent	Series.....	$1.95
7.75 percent	Series.....	$1.93-3/4
7.325 percent	Series.....	$1.83-1/8
7 percent	Series.....	$1.75
4.68 percent	Series.....	$1.17
4.4 percent	Series.....	$1.10
4.3 percent	Series.....	$1.07-1/2
3.8 percent	Series.....	$0.95
Stated Rate Auction	Series A	$2.6875

CONTACT: Neil McDermott of Philadelphia Electric, 215-841-4122

-30- 1644

#90330p8087 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Occidental Petroleum Corp. (NYSE: OXY) announced that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.625 per share of common stock payable Jan. 15, 1991.

At the same time, the board of directors declared regular quarterly dividends on all series of Occidental's preferred stocks outstanding on the record date, namely $3.50 per share on its $14.00 Cumulative Preferred Stock, and $3.00 on its $12.00 Cumulative Preferred Stock.

The payment date for all series of preferred stock will be Jan. 2, 1991.

The record date for dividends on the common and all preferred stocks is Dec. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: Frank Ashley of Occidental Petroleum Corp., 213-443-6592

-30- 910

#90330p8089 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Canada Packers Inc. (Toronto: CK) today reported sales and earnings for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 29, 1990.

In announcing the results, David A. Newton, president and CEO said "During the quarter ended Sept. 29, 1990, Canada Packers moved vigorously to restructure the combined Canada Packers and Maple Leaf Mills businesses and to build a stronger and more profitable company for the future."

The pro forma consolidated statements of income for Canada Packers Inc. reflect the consolidation of the operating results of Canada Packers and Maple Leaf Mills for the quarter and nine-month period.

Also presented are the nine-month consolidated statements of income, included to comply with statutory requirements, following the combination of Canada Packers with Maple Leaf Mills effective June 30, 1990.

During the third quarter, pro forma consolidated sales decreased 3.7 percent to $907.5 million from $941.9 million in the comparable quarter of the earlier year, ended Sept. 23, 1989. The decrease in sales from continuing operations during the quarter was due principally to the closing of the Burlington, Ontario, beef slaughtering facility earlier this year.

Pro forma net income from continuing operations increased 15.6 percent to $12.6 million from $10.9 million in the comparable period, while the pro forma earnings per share rose to $0.19 from $0.17 in the earlier period.

For the nine-month period, pro forma consolidated sales from continuing operations increased 1.8 percent to $2.81 billion compared with $2.76 billion in the earlier period. Pro forma net income from continuing operations rose 10.8 percent, to $26.2 million from $23.7 million in the earlier period, while earnings per share increased to $0.40 from $0.36.

CONTACT: Lewis Rose, 416-926-2223, or Art Devlin, 416-926-2047, both of Canada Packers

-30- 2081

#90330p8092 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

JERSEY CITY, NJ (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The B. Manischewitz Company and MANO Acquisition Corporation announced today that MANO Acquisition had purchased a total of 40,603 shares of the common stock of Manischewitz pursuant to MANO Acquisition's $800 per share offer that expired at midnight on Nov. 21. The shares purchased represent approximately 77 percent of the outstanding Manischewitz shares. MANO Acquisition also announced that it had received guarantees of delivery of an additional 2,372 shares, representing approximately an additional 4 percent of the Manischewitz shares. MANO Acquisition stated that payment for purchased shares would commence today.

Under its acquisition agreement with Manischewitz, MANO Acquisition will merge with Manischewitz and all remaining Manischewitz shares will be converted into the right to receive $800 per share in cash, without interest. MANO Acquisition stated that the merger is expected to occur within 60 days.

CONTACT: Robert A. Mann, vice president and secretary of Manischewitz, 201-333-3700; or Fred Garcia of Clark & Weinstock, 212-953-2550, for Kohlberg & Co.

-30- 1308

#90330p8098 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOPKINS, MINN. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Innovex, Inc. (NASDAQ: INVX) today reported net sales of $34,385,000 for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 22 percent from $28,160,000 a year ago. Fiscal 1990 earnings rose 53 percent to $1,667,000 or $0.38 per share, from $1,089,000 or $0.25 per share in fiscal 1989.

Write-offs of prior business activities, primarily the FluxaTron product, reduced earnings by $0.04 per share. In the absence of these write-offs, the company's earnings would have been $0.42 per share.

Thomas W. Haley, Innovex's chairman and chief executive officer, attributed the improved 1990 results to strong contributions from the company's two primary businesses serving the disk drive and photo equipment markets. He said these businesses posted record sales and both were strongly profitable.

The Disk Drive Market Group is the world's largest supplier of lead wire assemblies to IBM and other manufacturers of thin-film hard drives, the high-growth segment of the disk drive market. Sales rose 41 percent in fiscal 1990 to $14,740,000, accounting for 43 percent of Innovex's total revenues, up from 37 percent in 1989. The group's operating income increased 97 percent to an all-time high.

The Photo Equipment Market Group is the nation's leading manufacturer of multi-image photo printers and automated systems for professional processing labs. Sales increased 11 percent in 1990 to $18,939,000 and accounted for 55 percent of Innovex's consolidated total, down from 60 percent in 1989. This declining sales mix trend reflects the maturing nature of the photo market and rapid growth of the lead wire business. Operating income rose 30 percent in fiscal 1990 due to strengthened manufacturing efficiencies, improved product designs, and higher systems sales.

A third and far smaller business, the Sensor Market Group, continued to report under-plan results in 1990. Innovex is continuing to evaluate a variety of options for this business.

The company believes fiscal 1991 should be another year of higher sales and earnings. Because of the seasonality of the major businesses, the second half of fiscal 1991 is expected to be substantially stronger than the first six months.

CONTACT: Jeffrey L. Burnham of Innovex, 612-938-4155

-30- 2473

#90330p8099 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (CUSA) will discontinue manufacturing thinners and solvents effective Jan. 31, 1991, CUSA President Will Price said today.

"Our decision is based on economic and environmental factors. There is a declining market for these products, as a result of environmental regulations such as the banning of charcoal lighter fluid," Price said. "In addition, to remain a reliable supplier in the thinners and solvents business over the long term would require an investment of at least $10 million, including expenditures to meet more restrictive environmental regulations. We believe we can obtain a higher return for our shareholders if these dollars are spent on other projects.''

Chevron is the largest West Coast manufacturer of thinners, which are used for paints, dry-cleaning, BBQ lighter fluid, concrete curing, food processing and industrial cleaners, among others. In addition, the company will cease selling its ion exchange solvent, which is used in metal extraction.

Currently, thinners and solvents are manufactured at the company's El Segundo and Salt Lake City refineries. Thinners and solvents are byproducts of gasoline and jet fuel manufacturing, but current technology does not require that these products be automatically produced as part of the process.

By leaving these byproducts in the transportation fuels stream, the company will realize operating cost savings without the loss of refinery personnel. All affected employees will be reassigned as necessary within the same refineries.

Chevron U.S.A., the largest subsidiary of San Francisco-based Chevron Corp., is the nation's leading refiner and marketer of petroleum products.

CONTACT: Bonnie Chaikind of Chevron, 415-894-1200

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#90330p8102 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Detroit Edison Company (NYSE: DTE) today declared dividends on its common, preferred and

preference stocks payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business Dec. 19, as follows:

Common stock	$0.445 per share
5.50 percent convertible cumulative preferred stock	$1.375 per share
9.32 percent cumulative preferred stock	$2.33 per share
7.68 percent cumulative preferred stock	$1.92 per share
7.45 percent cumulative preferred stock	$1.8625 per share
7.36 percent cumulative preferred stock	$1.84 per share
9.72 percent cumulative preferred stock	$2.43 per share
9.60 percent cumulative preferred stock	$2.40 per share
$2.75 Series preference stock	$0.6875 per share
$2.75 Series B preference stock	$0.6875 per share
$2.28 Series preference stock	$0.57 per share

CONTACT: Lorie N. Kessler, 313-237-8807, or Martin L. Bufalini II, 313-237-8808, both of The Detroit Edison Company

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#90330p8104 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The main AC electrical power generating system for the newest Boeing jetliner, the 777, will be provided by Sundstrand Corp., Rockford, Ill.

Boeing Commercial Airplane Group today confirmed the signing of a major, multimillion dollar agreement running through the year 2006 that continues a 30-year relationship between Boeing and Sundstrand. The aerospace and industrial component and subsystem supplier has provided electrical power generation equipment on all Boeing commercial jet aircraft since the 1960s.

The Sundstrand equipment will serve as the primary electrical power source during normal airplane operations for such systems as navigation, communication, instruments and lighting and for the galley and lavatory areas.

The AC electrical system consists of two 120 KVA Integrated Drive Generators, one auxiliary power unit generator, three generator control units, one bus power control unit and 11 differential protection current transformer units.

While the systems will be produced in Rockford, Sundstrand employees also will be a part of 777 design/build teams in Seattle. The design/build approach brings together engineering, manufacturing and other disciplines to concurrently define and develop more producible, error-free and service-ready airplane parts and systems.

The Boeing 777 is a medium-to-long range jetliner seating 360 to 390 passengers in a two class configuration. It features an advanced wing design,

the widest fuselage in its class and the latest high-efficiency turbofan engines. First delivery is scheduled for May 1995 to United Airlines.

CONTACT: Donna Mikov of Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, 206-965-1308

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#90330p8105 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT, (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Detroit Edison Company (NYSE: DTE) announced today that on Jan. 15, 1991, it will redeem 200,000 shares of its $2.75 Series B Preference Stock at $25 per share and 60,000 shares of its 9.72 percent Series Preferred Stock at $100 per share.

The redemptions will be through the operation of sinking funds established for both securities at the time of original issuance. In each case, dividends at the rate established for each series accrued to the date of redemption will be paid separately.

On or about Dec. 14, 1990, the company will send information to all holders of the $2.75 Series B Preference Stock and the 9.72 percent Series Preferred Stock who have shares selected for redemption. A determination of the shares which are to be redeemed will be made by random selection of certificates representing shares of each series belonging to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 7, 1990.

Payment for all securities to be redeemed will be made by the company on or after Jan. 15, 1991. The $2.75 Series B Preference shares redeemed will be canceled and will have the status of authorized but unissued shares. Shares of the 9.72 percent Series Preferred Stock redeemed will be canceled and may not be reissued.

CONTACT: Martin L. Bufalini II, 313-237-8808, or Lorie N. Kessler, 313-237-8807, both of The Detroit Edison Company

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#90330p8106 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - USF&G Corporation (NYSE: FG) today announced the appointment of Norman P. Blake Jr. to the positions of chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Blake, 49, had been chairman and chief executive officer of Chicago-based Heller International Corporation since 1984. He is assuming responsibilities for offices filled since 1981 by Jack Moseley, who announced his early retirement this month.

"USF&G is an industry leader with a strong national franchise and a proud winning tradition," Blake said. "The insurance sector, like the entire

financial services industry, is entering an era of change that will require energy and creativity to meet competitive challenges. I am joining USF&G because I want to tackle these challenges and I am thrilled to be part of the USF&G team as we move forward serving our customers, communities and shareholders."

At Heller International, a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Fuji Bank, Limited, of Tokyo, Blake led a strong turnaround in profitability. Heller's domestic financial services subsidiary, Heller Financial, Inc., realized a 38 percent compounded growth in earnings over the 1986 to 1989 period, reporting net income of $102 million in 1989. Similarly, its international subsidiary, Heller International Group, achieved a significant improvement in profitability over the same period.

Prior to joining Heller, Blake was with General Electric Credit Corporation, serving as executive vice president financing operations from 1981 to 1984, with responsibility for all operating components comprising a $13 billion asset portfolio.

He joined General Electric in the marketing management program in 1967 and assumed diverse management duties in strategic planning, business development and marketing in many areas of the company including the information systems, silicone products, plastics and broadcasting groups. From 1974 to 1976 he was president of TOP, Inc., a Detroit-based provider of insurance services.

Blake received bachelor's and master's degrees from Purdue University. Married, with three children, Blake was born in New York City.

Baltimore-based USF&G Corporation, with assets of $13.9 billion, is engaged through its subsidiaries in the writing of property/casualty and life insurance and in the sale of financial services. The corporation's principal subsidiary is United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company.

CONTACT: Kerrie Burch-DeLuca of USF&G Corporation, 301-547-3573

-30- 2699

#90330p8107 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

INVER GROVE HEIGHTS, MINN (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Surgidyne, Inc. announced today it has signed a license agreement with Baxter Healthcare Corporation's V. Mueller Division under which V. Mueller acquires exclusive rights to market Surgidyne's postoperative orthopedic autotransfusion system worldwide.

The Varidyne Autotransfusion System reduces the need for transfusions of donated banked blood after orthopedic surgery, by reinfusing the patient's own blood, which is collected following surgery. The autotransfusion system consists of a small battery-powered suction pump and disposable components that collect and reinfuse blood.

Approximately 500,000 hip and knee surgeries will be performed in the United States during 1991 and the market for products used in these procedures is growing 12 percent annually, according to Surgidyne. The company estimates that the U.S. market for postoperative orthopedic autotransfusion products will reach $50 million within four years.

Autotransfusion systems have grown in popularity as surgeons and patients increasingly prefer to reduce the risk of viral infection by using the patient's own blood rather than donated blood from blood banks.

Surgidyne designs, develops, manufactures and markets specialty medical and surgical products.

Based in Niles, Ill., Baxter's V. Mueller Division manufactures and markets a complete line of general and specialty surgical instruments, equipment and supplies. Baxter Healthcare Corporation is the principal domestic operating subsidiary of Deerfield, Ill.-based Baxter International Inc. (NYSE: BAX), the world's leading manufacturer and marketer of health-care products and services.

Surgidyne's stock is traded in the local over-the-counter market.

CONTACT: Charles McNeil of Surgidyne, 612-681-9235

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#90330p8115 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, CO (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - NBI Inc. (NYSE: NBI) announced today that Gary R. Ensminger has been appointed vice president of systems integration.

In making the announcement, Steve Jerritts, president and CEO stated, "The addition of Gary Ensminger to the management team, provides NBI with the hands on knowledge and experience in building a systems integration business." Ensminger will report to Claudio Pela, vice president and general manager, systems and service.

NBI's strategic direction is to become a developer and marketer of software for personal computers and a national systems integrator. As a systems integrator, NBI will provide a migration path for its customer base from their present NBI proprietary hardware systems to local and wide area network systems on open standards.

Ensminger has been in the computer and communications industry for 20 years with such companies as Control Data, AT&T, McDonnell Douglas, University Computing Co. and Micro One. He has held management positions in sales and marketing.

NBI designs and markets advanced word processing software. NBI has been a

leader in the word processing industry for more than a decade and also provides customer service and support to a wide base of system users in domestic and international locations.

CONTACT: Carole Kimminau of NBI Inc., 303-938-2721

-30- 1538

#90330p8119 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATHLONE, Ireland (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Elan Corporation, plc (AMEX: ELN) and Drug Research Corporation, a new company established by Elan, said their transfer agent, The Bank of New York, commenced distribution of Elan/DRC units (AMEX: ELNU) to subscribers and will begin returning $21.2 million in oversubscriptions on Nov. 28.

Elan said holders of rights it issued Oct. 18 remitted a total of $64.3 million to purchase 5,846,766 Elan/DRC units, far in excess of the offering's maximum amount of $43.1 million for 3,926,273 units at $11 each.

Final tabulations completed last Friday showed that 3.3 million units were purchased under the base subscription provision of one unit for every four rights owned. The remaining 608,000 units have been allocated among those who oversubscribed, which was allowable up to three times the base amount. Elan said oversubscribers will receive 24 percent of their oversubscription.

Interest to Nov. 27, 1990, calculated at overnight deposit rates from the date of subscription (approximately 7 percent), will be paid on oversubscription funds returned.

Each unit consists of one callable ordinary share (represented by an American Depository Receipt) of DRC and one five year warrant to acquire one ordinary share (represented by an ADR) of Elan at US$23.075.

The DRC share and Elan warrant will trade as a unit until Nov. 14, 1992 when the share and warrant can be bought or sold separately.

Unit holders will receive a unit certificate plus two attached exhibits describing the components of the security. On Nov. 14, 1992, separately tradable DRC ADRs and Elan warrants will be issued to holders of record on Nov. 13, 1992.

Elan has an option to repurchase all the shares of DRC at $21 in 1993, $28 in 1994 and $36 in 1995.

DRC was formed to develop certain products based upon drug delivery systems incorporating Elan's proprietary ETDAS (Electro Transport Drug Absorption System) technology and IPDAS (Intestinal Protective Drug Absorption System), and to commercialize products based on these technologies. DRC will use the

net proceeds of the offering to make payments to Elan under an agreement to develop these products.

Elan is a leader in the specialized health care field of advanced reformulation and drug delivery, concentrating on improved absorption and utilization. Elan operates research and manufacturing facilities in Athlone, Ireland; Gainesville, Ga.; Enschede, Netherlands; Manila, Philippines; Brea, Calif. and Cambridge, Mass.

CONTACT: Thomas Redington of Redington, Inc., 203-222-7399, or 212-926-1733, for Elan.

-30- 2838

#90330p8120 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Nov. 21, 1990. All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

FIXED-RATE MORTGAGE YIELDS
(30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago
Conventional			
15-Year FRM	9.43	9.42	9.42
30-Year FRM	9.76	9.79	9.68
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	10.01	10.04	9.93
Second Mortgages	9.430	9.420	9.500

10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.

ADJUSTABLE-RATE MORTGAGE (30-YEAR TERM) YIELDS

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	8.60	8.60	9.08	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	8.85	8.85	9.33	2.000 pct.
1(A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	7.55	7.55	8.02	2.250 pct.
6 mos(A) (COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	7.65	7.65	8.08	2.125 pct.

(A) - Rate reduction
(B) - 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM.
Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs.

LIBOR INDEX SERIES

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
October 30, 1990	7.938	8.063	8.063	8.063

September 27, 1990	8.297	8.375	8.422	8.500

COMMITMENT AND PURCHASE VOLUMES ($MILLIONS)

	Week Ending 11/21/90	Year to Date	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(A)	350.2	20,894.1	20,493.3
Purchases	361.9	20,833.1(B)	18,690.3
MBS Issued	724.1	86,170.3	56,198.4

(A) - Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.
(B) - Adjusted

CONTACT: Lisa Haas of Fannie Mae, (202) 752-7124.

-30- 2279

#90330p8122 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The National Association of Investors Corporation (NAIC) has awarded American Greetings (NASDAQ: AGREA) one of its top annual report awards for 1990.

The American Greetings 1990 annual report was one of five national award winners selected from nearly 300 judged by the NAIC in its annual Nicholson Award competition.

In presenting the award to John A. Hernandis, Director of Communications for American Greetings, at the Nicholson Awards banquet in San Diego on Nov. 2, 1990, NAIC Chairman Thomas E. O'Hara said: "The report has won the accolades of our judges for the combination of complete, easy to find, easy to use financial information, and a story line that gives the shareholder an excellent appreciation of what the business is all about."

O'Hara added, "One judge remarked that you weren't perfect because he would have like to have had a few more ratios in your financial table, but you were the closest thing to it that he had seen."

The theme of the 1990 annual report was, "Building Retail Partnerships". The report was produced in-house. Design and graphics services were provided by the Graphics Design Resources Department; Corporate Communications produced the editorial copy; and the Financial Department the Management Discussion and Analysis. Bedford Litho, of Bedford, Ohio, was the printer.

CONTACT: John Hernandis of American Greetings, (216) 252-7300.

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#90330p8127 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Rochester Telephone Corp. (NYSE: RTC) announced today that it has completed the acquisition of the Orion Telephone Exchange Association of Orion, Ill. The company announced its intention to purchase the Illinois company last May.

Orion becomes Rochester Tel's 7th operating company in Illinois, and its 19th in the Midwest. Rochester Tel now operates 32 telephone companies in 13 states.

Founded in 1905, Orion serves 1,700 access lines in a territory located about 10 miles north of the Quad Cities (Moline, Davenport, Rock Island and Bettendorf) and within 90 miles of three other Rochester Tel companies in Illinois.

Orion also holds a minority interest in Illinois cellular Rural Service Area No. 3.

Rochester Tel exchanged shares of its common stock for all the outstanding stock of Orion. No purchase price was disclosed.

CONTACT: Gary Sugarman of Rochester Tel, 716-777-7757

-30- 1118

#90330p8133 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - BellSouth Corp.'s (NYSE: BLS) board of directors has approved a quarterly dividend of $0.67 per common share, the same level as that of the preceding quarter.

During the same quarter last year, the company declared a quarterly dividend of $0.63 per common share.

The dividend is payable Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 11, 1991. The ex-dividend date is Jan. 7, 1991.

This marks BellSouth's 28th consecutive dividend. The company has 482 million shares outstanding in some 1.4 million shareholder accounts.

BellSouth is an international telecommunications holding company. Its subsidiaries offer local telephone service in nine southeastern states and mobile communications service worldwide, provide advertising and publishing services, and market and maintain stand-alone and fully integrated communications systems.

CONTACT: Scott Ticer of BellSouth Corp., 404-249-2824

-30- 1105

#90330p8136 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Royal International Optical Inc. (NASDAQ: RIOC) announced today earnings for the second quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $81,000 or $.01 per share.

This quarter is the first full quarter of the operating results of the company after the completion on June 28, 1990, of the merger of Royal International Optical Corp. and U.S. Vision Inc.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $1,764,000 or a loss of $.32 per share. The results of the first quarter ended June 30, 1990, included a number of merger-related charges and were not reflective of normal operating results.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported net income before depreciation and amortization of $977,000, an increase of $1,260,000 over the first quarter ended June 30, 1990.

ROYAL INTERNATIONAL OPTICAL INC.
(In thousands, except per-share data)

Sept. 30, 1990	Three months	Six months
Income Statement:		
Sales	$37,904	$75,772
Operating income	2,070	2,249
Net income (loss)	81	(1,764)
Net income (loss) share	$.01	$(.32)
Balance Sheet:		
Total assets	$118,341	--
Total liabilities	97,245	--
Stockholders' equity	21,096	--

Royal International Optical is America's largest publicly traded optical retailer, with 872 retail locations in 42 states.

William Schwartz, chairman, indicated that despite a softening retail environment, the merger of U.S. Vision and Royal is producing significant cost savings which should over a period of time yield substantial benefit to the shareholders.

CONTACT: Don Gross, president of Royal Optical, 214-638-1397.

-30- 2134

#90330p8143 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOVER, DEL (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Insurance Commissioner David N. Levinson announced today that a hearing will be held to determine whether Mellon Bank Delaware has been accepting rebates from insurance companies on premiums paid by consumers for "forced" insurance coverage.

If found in violation, Mellon could be fined and ordered to cease and desist this practice. "Forced" insurance is coverage for which a debtor pays to provide his lender with coverage in the event the debtor loses his insurance reason.

When a bank receives notice that a consumer who has financed a vehicle is without insurance coverage, the bank may place collateral protection insurance after appropriate notice to the consumer.

According to Levinson, Mellon has collected more than $1.7 million in premium for "collateral protection" insurance for such persons financing automobiles. The premium was then paid to Transamerica Insurance Co. for a group policy.

It has been alleged that Mellon Bank Delaware then received $350,000 of premium rebates from Transamerica Insurance Co. and retained it. Delaware law prohibits an insured from receiving premium rebates.

Levinson commented, "The practice of an insured under a group policy accepting a financial benefit in exchange for placing insurance with certificate holders violates the Delaware Unfair Trade Practice Act. As the group policyholder in this situation, Mellon has certain obligations to deal in good faith with the members of the group, and to not benefit financially from providing them with insurance under the group policy. In this instance, it appears that Mellon Bank Delaware may have gained substantial monetary benefit as a result of this arrangement over the last four or five years."

A similar complaint was filed against Mellon Bank Pennsylvania by the Pennsylvania Insurance Department. A tentative settlement has been reached in a class action suit filed by Pennsylvania (and a few Delaware) certificate holders in that matter for $6 million, subject to approval of the Pennsylvania Insurance Department.

According to Levinson, "The Delaware Insurance Department will also investigate the possibility that Mellon Bank Delaware may have forced placed more insurance than the consumer was aware of, including features that were not necessary to reasonably protect the bank's collateral."

CONTACT: Insurance Commissioner David N. Levinson, 302-739-4251

-30- 2640

#90330p8145 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROANOKE, VA. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Roanoke Electric Steel Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: RESC) today announced net earnings for the fiscal year ended October 31, 1990, of $8,353,178, or $1.57 per share of common stock, down 34 percent from the record net earnings of $12,738,520, or $2.39 per share, reported last year. Sales for the 1990 fiscal year were $149,317,213, down 6

percent from the record sales of $159,026,382 reported last year.

Net earnings for the three months ended October 31, 1990, were $2,773,935, or 52 cents per share of common stock, compared to the $3,539,404, or 66 cents per share, reported for the same period last year. Sales for the fourth quarter of 1990 were $36,686,312, compared to the $39,417,320 reported for the same period last year.

Donald G. Smith, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, stated: "It is gratifying to report that earnings for fiscal year 1990 were the third best in our company's history, being surpased only by the record earnings reported for the last two fiscal years. The decline experienced in sales and earnings this year, compared to last year's record totals, reflected the trend within the industry of lower results, due to excess inventories at most mills, increased competition, and lower selling prices for bar products."

CONTACT: Thomas J. Crawford, Roanoke Electric Steel Corporation, 703-342-1831

-30- 1555

#90330p8148 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALO ALTO, CALIF (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntex Corp. (NYSE:SYN) today reported that earnings per share in the first quarter of the company's 1991 fiscal year increased 20 percent on a 16 percent sales increase.

Earnings per share in the fiscal 1991 first quarter, which ended October 31, 1990, increased to a record $1.12 compared with $.93 in the first quarter a year ago. Sales increased to a record $454.6 million, up from $390.7 in the year ago quarter.

FIRST QUARTER RESULTS
($ in millions, except per-share data)

	1Q FY91	1Q FY90	Percent Change
Net sales	$454.6	$390.7	+16
Operating income	$144.5	$124.1	+16
Net income	$125.2	$103.7	+21
Earnings per share	$1.12	$.93	+20

"Our record sales and earnings in the first quarter are primarily due to increasing sales of our newer human pharmaceutical products and higher sales of naproxen and naproxen sodium," said Paul E. Freiman, chairman and chief executive officer. "We are pleased that the investments we have made to launch our newer products and to increase our market share for Naprosyn(R) in the United States, including the expansion of our sales force, are now returning benefits to the company in the form of higher sales and higher earnings."

CONTACT: Kathleen Gary, 415-855-5924; or Nancy Peterson, 415-855-5567, both of Syntex

-30- 1696

#90330p8149 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - In a move aimed at supplying the expanding commercial and industrial markets for electric components in Europe, Hughes Aircraft Co. has established a new subsidiary in Spain.

The company revealed today that it intends to build a manufacturing facility in a new industrial park in the Mediterranean seaport city of Malaga.

The Spanish operation, to be known as Hughes Microelectronics Europa Espana S.A., will be built on nine acres of land in the new Technology Park of Malaga. Hughes will be the first major U.S. company to build a facility in the new industrial park.

The new plant's capabilities initially will include surface mount assembly and advanced Gold Dot connectors. Additional product lines are expected to be added to meet market demand in Europe for other Hughes technologies.

Hughes said that a key factor in the selection of Malaga for its new Spanish facility is the city's announced intention to become a leading technological center. Malaga is located in the Andalusian region in the southern part of Spain known as the Costa Del Sol. Several other electronic companies are already operating there, and the area offers a high level of services, good transportation and communications.

In addition, the University of Malaga has taken this industrial development into consideration, and has expanded its curricula in electronics and telecommunications. Hughes officials indicated that they expect the university to play a major role in ensuring that sufficient trained engineers and other skilled technical personnel will be available to meet the needs of industry.

The company also said that qualified engineers might receive specialized training in various Hughes technologies through special training programs both in the United States and in the Hughes operation in Scotland.

Hughes indicated that the move into Spain will be accompanied by an expansion of the company's marketing efforts in several European cities, and that other new manufacturing facilities are being considered.

CONTACT: Bill Herrman of Hughes Aircraft Co., 213-568-6307

-30- 2327

#90330p8150 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
STATE COLLEGE, PA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of United Federal Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: UFBK) today announced a 22 percent increase in the company's quarterly cash dividend.

The common stock dividend was raised from $0.09 per share to $0.11 per share and is payable Dec. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record Dec. 10, 1990.

In discussing the increase, Charles C. Pearson Jr., president and chief executive officer, stated, "The 22 percent increase in United Federal's dividend confirms our faith in the company's future operating performance and excellent capital position. At a time when many financial institutions are being forced to reduce or eliminate their cash dividend, we are most comfortable in increasing ours."

United Federal Bancorp Inc. is the holding company for United Federal Bank and Founders Federal Bank, both federally chartered savings banks. The company operates from its home office in State College, Pa., and 13 full-service offices located in Centre, Clearfield, Huntingdon, Lycoming and Clinton counties.

CONTACT: Charles C. Pearson Jr., chief executive officer, or Donald L. Gross, chief operating officer, of United Federal Bancorp, 814-231-1665

-30- 1386
#90330p8151 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Republic Waste Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: RWIN) confirmed today that, while it continues to work with the Ohio Department of Insurance to secure approval of the company's application to acquire Alliance Holding Co. the financial statements in the company's amended preliminary prospectus filed today include the consolidated balance sheet and operating results of Alliance only on a pro-forma, not historic, basis, in order to facilitate the timely completion of the proposed public offering to which the preliminary prospectus relates.

Republic agreed to acquire Alliance in July 1990, subject to regulatory approval, in a transaction to be accounted for as a pooling of interests and issued the shares into escrow. At that time both the company and Alliance anticipated that regulatory approval could and would be achieved by Oct. 31, 1990. Reflecting that expectation, the financial statements of Alliance were presented on an historic basis as part of the company's financial statements included in its original Oct. 19, 1990 preliminary prospectus, as well as in the company's quarterly reports filed for the periods ended June 30 and Sept. 30, 1990. However, the review and negotiation process with the Ohio Department of Insurance continues. As the company currently is unable to estimate when, whether or subject to what conditions its acquisition of Alliance will receive approval, it has decided that in order to pursue

completion of the public offering before receipt of approval it is appropriate to present on a pro-forma rather than historic presentation of the financial condition and operating results of Alliance. If and when the company secures regulatory approval, the company expects to account for the acquisition of Alliance as a "pooling of interests" and therefore to combine its historic financial statments with those of Republic, consistent with the previous presentation.

The presentation in the current preliminary prospectus compares with the previous conditional historic presentation as follows:

Republic Waste Industries is an integrated solid waste company providing collection, disposal and other support services.

CONTACT: David M.K. Ruth of Republic Waste Industries Inc., 713-956-1110

-30- 2470

#90330p8155 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Scotti Brothers Entertainment Industries, Inc. ("Scotti Brothers") and All American Television, Inc. ("All American") (NASDAQ: ALLT) today jointly announced that they have extended until Dec. 6, 1990, the date by which definitive merger and related agreements must be executed in order to coordinate completion of all necessary documentation.

The parties previously announced that All American had accepted an offer by Scotti Brothers pursuant to which Scotti Brothers would be merged into a subsidiary to be formed by All American (the "merger"). The parties anticipate that the closing of the merger will occur in late January or early February 1991.

Scotti Brothers is a privately held entertainment corporation based in Los Angeles. Its divisions include a record company, a motion picture production and distribution company, a television production company, and an international sales and distribution organization for motion pictures and video.

All American is a New York-based publicly traded company engaged in the distribution of television programming to domestic and international television stations, cable television networks and home video markets, and the sale of commercial time to advertisers.

CONTACT: Tom Bradshaw, senior vice president of Scotti Brothers Entertainment Industries, 213-450-3193; or Joseph E. Kovacs of All American Television, 212-818-1200.

-30- 1610

#90330p8160 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - A leading international pharmaceutical company has announced that it will donate $1.5 million of pharmaceutical products to the city of Moscow. The firm, Searle, which has its headquarters in Chicago, will donate products from its cardiovascular, gastro-intestinal, anti-infective and female contraceptive product lines.

In announcing the donations, Richard U. De Schutter, executive vice president and chairman & president, international operations, said, "In our meetings with Soviet officials over the past several months we have been further enlightened to the acute health needs of the Soviet people. Medicines for some of the most serious illnesses, including heart disease and gastro-intestinal disorders, as well as safe, reliable birth control, are in critically scarce supply. It is hoped that our donation will help in this great need."

Searle was in the USSR as part of an exchange program between the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and the Leningrad Philharmonic, a program which Searle helped to co-sponsor. "Just as Searle has created a partnership with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra to facilitate the exchange of cultures, we also intend to establish a business partnership with the USSR," said De Schutter. "The donation of Searle products is a demonstration of our good will through provision of quality pharmaceuticals to this nation."

Additional Searle products under clinical development include Maxaquin (R), an anti-infective in the quinolone class for the treatment of a variety of infections, and Aldactone (R), a diruretic used to control hypertension.

Searle is a research-based company that develops, manufactures and markets over-the-counter and prescription pharmaceuticals worldwide. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of Monsanto Co. (NYSE: MTC).

CONTACT: Jack Domeischal, The Savoy Hotel, Moscow, 011-7-095-929-8500 or Debbie Santy 708-470-6163, both for Searle

-30- 2124

#90330p8162 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Knight-Ridder, Inc. (NYSE: KRI) today released its monthly statistical report for October and the year-to-date figures of its operations as follows --

KNIGHT-RIDDER, INC.
MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

	OCTOBER			YEAR-TO-DATE		
	1990	1989	Percent Change	1990	1989	Percent Change
REVENUE ($000)						
Business Information						

Services	$28,528	$24,231	17.7	$261,800	$228,125	14.8
Newspaper Advertising						
Retail	$68,310	$71,139	(4.0)	$630,505	$628,632	0.3
General	16,551	19,732	(16.1)	156,186	154,656	1.0
Classi-fied	47,207	54,454	(13.3)	504,398	509,632	(1.0)
Total	$132,068	145,325	(9.1)	$1,291,089	$1,292,920	(0.1)
Circulation	$34,634	$35,191	(1.6)	$335,745	$320,156	4.9
AVERAGE CIRCULATION - EXCLUDING PASADENA & DETROIT (000s of copies) (A)(C)						
Morning	2,939	2,907	1.1	2,917	2,851	2.3
Evening	382	413	(7.5)	385	405	(4.9)
Sunday	4,214	4,185	0.7	4,186	4,158	0.7
ADVERTISING LINAGE (000s of six column inches) (A)(B)(C) & (D)						
Full run ROP						
Retail	1,504.0	1,624.7	(7.4)	14,105.9	14,988.1	(5.9)
General	171.6	209.3	(18.0)	1,586.2	1,730.2	(8.3)
Classified	1,154.3	1,281.5	(9.9)	11,703.6	12,014.1	(2.6)
Total	2,829.9	3,115.5	(9.2)	27,395.7	28,732.4	(4.7)
Factored Part Run ROP	147.1	149.2	(1.4)	1,380.7	1,367.5	1.0
Full Run Preprint	1,331.0	1,399.6	(4.9)	12,102.1	11,310.7	7.0
Part Run Preprint	1,406.5	1,383.5	1.7	11,849.6	12,294.8	(3.6)
TOTAL PREPRINTS INSERTED (000s)	386,489	403,945	(4.3)	3,347,123	3,195,132	4.8
BASIC CABLE TELEVISION SUB-SCRIBERS	309,000	289,000	6.9			

FULL RUN ROP ADVERTISING LINAGE DATA

By Market (000s of six column inches) -- Notes (A)(B)(C) & (D)

Akron Beacon Journal	121.3	126.1	(3.8)	1,104.0	1,145.0	(3.6)
Charlotte Observer	150.4	172.3	(12.7)	1,416.2	1,535.9	(7.8)
Columbia State	131.5	146.8	(10.4)	1,356.2	1,381.2	(1.8)
Detroit Free Press	126.2	143.5	(12.1)	1,009.1	1,263.2	(20.1)
Ft. Wayne News-						

Sentinel, Journal-Gazette	173.7	173.2	0.3	1,422.4	1,471.6	(3.3)
Lexington Herald-Leader	94.1	112.1	(16.1)	946.4	1,051.5	(10.0)
Long Beach Press-Telegram	106.5	115.3	(7.6)	1,107.8	1,115.5	(0.7)
Miami Herald	195.0	235.2	(17.1)	2,032.1	2,174.4	(6.5)
Philadelphia Inquirer, News	266.5	318.1	(16.2)	2,578.8	2,807.8	(8.2)
St. Paul Pioneer Press	110.3	126.2	(12.6)	1,052.2	1,124.3	(6.4)
San Jose Mercury News	255.5	297.1	(14.0)	2,688.0	2,818.4	(4.6)
Wichita Eagle	90.0	98.6	(8.7)	871.6	909.4	(4.2)
All Other Daily Newspapers	1,008.9	1,051.0	(4.0)	9,810.9	9,934.3	(1.2)
Total - Full Run ROP	2,829.9	3,115.5	(9.2)	27,395.7	28,732.4	(4.7)

(A) -- Statistics of the Pasadena Star-News, sold on June 1, 1989, are excluded for comparability from these schedules. Full-Run ROP linage for the Star-News for June 1989 was 289.1 for the year-to-date.

(B) -- Full run ROP linage of the joint operating agency between the Seattle Times and the Seattle Post Intelligencer was 257 for the month (down 0.7 percent from the prior year) and 2,489 for the year-to-date (up 2.3 percent from the prior year). Knight-Ridder owns 49.5 percent of the voting stock and 65 percent of the non-voting common stock of the Seattle Times. None of the linage is included in the Advertising Linage section.

(C) -- On Nov. 27, 1989, the Detroit News and the Detroit Free Press began operations under a Joint Operating Agreement as the Detroit News Agency (DNA). Revenue and linage for 1990 include 50 percent of the DNA. Revenue and linage for 1989 include Detroit Free Press only. Circulation statistics for Detroit are excluded from both years.

(D) -- Measured by individual Knight-Ridder newspapers. Where necessary, certain previously reported linage has been restated to be consistent with measurement guidelines currently in use.

CONTACT: Frank Hawkins of Knight-Ridder, Inc., 305-376-3838.

-30- 4675
#90330p8164 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Daniel E. O'Sullivan, 61, president and chief executive officer of ULLICO Inc., the Washington-based holding company for The Union Labor Life Insurance Company and other insurance and investment-related companies, suffered a heart attack and died Nov. 25 while attending mass in McLean, Va.

A native of New York City, Mr. O'Sullivan graduated from Fordham University in 1948 at age 19 and went to work for Union Labor Life shortly thereafter. Except for service in the Army in the early 1950s, he spent his entire career with ULLICO, rising through the ranks to the presidency in 1979 and the CEO position in 1984.

A well known figure within the insurance industry, Mr. O'Sullivan was a member of the board of directors of the American Council of Life Insurance and the Health Insurance Association of America and an active supporter of the Employee Benefits Research Institute.

As the leader of a company owned by local and national labor unions and serving union members, Mr. O'Sullivan was also well known within the labor movement and counted many of the nation's labor leaders as personal friends. He was a frequent speaker at union meetings and advised labor leaders and organizations on employee benefit and insurance-related issues.

In addition to his insurance and labor activities, Mr. O'Sullivan was active in many religious and civic organizations. He served as a lector at St. Lukes Catholic Church and supported a wide range of charities inside and outside the Washington area.

He was a member of the board of directors of the Washington area affiliate of the American Diabetes Association, a director of the Fordham Alumni Association of Washington and served as co-chair of the 1990 Annual Brotherhood Citation Dinner of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. He was an active member of the D.C. Friends of Ireland and supported a variety of Irish and Irish-American organizations.

Mr. O'Sullivan oversaw the relocation of Union Labor Life from New York City to Washington in 1983 and the reorganization of the company under ULLICO Inc. in 1987. He was the primary architect of the company's growth and expansion into new lines of business.

In recent years, this has included major undertakings in the group health insurance, fiduciary liability insurance, pension fund investment and benefit administration areas. With assets in excess of $2 billion, the company now employs more than 1,500 in 44 offices across the country.

In lieu of flowers or other expressions of sympathy, the family of Mr.

O'Sullivan has requested that contributions be sent to a special scholarship fund created in his honor. Contributions may be sent to the Daniel E. O'Sullivan Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Carole Assante, ULLICO, 111 Massachusetts Ave. N.W., Washington, DC 20001.

CONTACT: Doyle Niemann of ULLICO Inc., (202) 682-4907; or Bruce Kozarsky of The Kamber Group, (202) 223-8700, for ULLICO Inc.

-30- 3185

#90330p8165 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Federal Bank (NYSE: SFB) was the leading home mortgage lender for the month of September in the four-county area of Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Washtenaw. According to Lawyers Title Insurance Corporation, Standard Federal recorded 1,242 single-family residential mortgage loans of $250,000 or less for a total of $71,036,258.

"Standard Federal continues to stress home mortgage lending as its No. 1 business priority," noted Thomas R. Ricketts, chairman and president. "And as a result, the bank has consistently been the leading home mortgage lender for the first nine months of this year and for 13 of the past 16 years."

Standard Federal Bank is headquartered in Troy, operates 117 branches throughout Michigan and Indiana, and has current assets of approximately $9.4 billion.

CONTACT: William R. Yaw of Standard Federal Bank, 313-643-9600, or in Michigan, 800-482-3930, or in Indiana, 800-874-3716

-30- 1131

#90330p8167 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLESTON, WV (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Key Centurion Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: KEYC), West Virginia's largest bank holding company, has declared a quarterly dividend of 16 cents per share.

The dividend, voted at the board's Nov. 26 monthly meeting, will be paid on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 12, 1990. The new quarterly dividend of 16 cents represents a 6.7 percent increase.

The company, formed in November 1985 from a merger of equals, has raised its cash dividend in each of the subsequent five years through 1990. The dividend rate per share (on a restated basis) has increased 100 percent during that period.

"This growth rate is certainly one indication of the continued financial strength of Key Centurion," M.T. Reynolds, chairman of Key Centurion, said. "We have constantly emphasized safety, soundness and liquidity, believing that

in so doing all our constituencies' interests -- shareholders and regulators among others -- would be best served in both the short and long term. And, by building and preserving almost a fortress balance sheet, our strengths have enabled us to be more aggressive in our dividend policy."

A. Michael Perry, president and CEO, commenting on the board's action said, "In the five years since Key Centurion's inception, the company's net income and equity have virtually doubled. Over the past year, we have taken several steps to add further strength to the company, including boosting the allowance for loan losses, even as our credit quality levels and ratios remained steady. Those ratios are superior to national averages. Moreover," he concluded, "we believe we have been presented with an opportunity to build on our past successes. The resources are in hand to forge new growth over the next five years."

Perry pointed to two previously announced merger agreements which, upon completion, will continue Key Centurion's growth. Definitive merger agreements have been made with Southern Bancshares Inc. and Spectrum Financial Corp. Southern is a $300 million asset, two-bank holding company located in Beckley, Raleigh Co. and Oak Hill in adjacent Fayette County, W. Va. Spectrum is also a two-bank holding company located in Wheeling, Ohio County and New Martinsville, Wetzel County, W.Va., with $264 million in assets. Southern and Spectrum are West Virginia's 12th and 14th largest bank holding companies based on year-end 1989 results.

With the completion of the mergers, Key Centurion -- now at $2.4 billion in assets -- would approach $3 billion in commercial bank assets, $1.3 billion in discretionary trust assets and almost $2 billion in total trust assets, all on a combined pro forma basis.

Key Centurion has banking subsidiaries with 45 offices in West Virginia and Kentucky, operating as: Cardinal State Bank, NA, Beckley; The Central National Bank of Buckhannon, Buckhannon; Charleston National Bank, Charleston; Union National Bank of West Virginia, Clarksburg; The First Huntington National Bank, Huntington; The Lincoln National Bank of Hamlin, Hamlin; The National Bank of Logan, Logan; Boone National Bank, Madison; First National Bank in Philippi, Philippi; Citizens National of Point Pleasant, Point Pleasant; Citizens National Bank of St. Albans, St. Albans; Nicholas County Bank, Summersville; Wayne County Bank, Wayne; The National Bank of Commerce of Williamson, Williamson, all in West Virginia and First National Bank of Pikeville, Pikeville, Ky.; and Reliable Mortgage Co. with six offices in West Virginia, Maryland, and Ohio.

CONTACT: Larry A. Stark of Key Centurion Bancshares, 304-526-4337, or home at 304-529-3624

-30- 3878

#90330p8168 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAMILTON, BERMUDA, (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Nord Pacific Limited (NASDAQ: NORPF) today announced highlights of the 1989 and 1990 drilling programs on the Sliderock gold exploration property in Granite County, Mont. The work was conducted by Meridian Gold Company, a subsidiary of FMC Gold Company, under a joint venture agreement with Hicor Corporation, a U.S. subsidiary of Nord Pacific Limited, that gives Meridian the right to earn a 60 percent interest in the project through an expenditure of $750,000.

The two drilling programs consisted of 10,072 feet of reverse circulation drilling in 27 holes. Assay results are now available for 26 of these holes. Significant intersections (10 feet greater than or equal to .010 ounces gold/ton) were obtained in 19 holes.

The best hole had several significant intersections, including 80 feet of .061 ounce/ton (130 feet-210 feet) and 235 feet of .027 ounce/ton gold (230 feet-465 feet). Intersections in three other well mineralized holes included 95 feet of .042 ounce/ton, 125 feet of .037 ounce/ton and 20 feet of .113 ounce/ton gold. The mineralization is mixed oxide and sulfide in nature.

The company considers these intercepts to be encouraging, although their economic significance cannot be determined on the basis of current information. The company is awaiting a full report on the past work and an outline of Meridian's plans for future work.

Nord Pacific Limited is incorporated under the laws of Bermuda and is engaged in gold mining in Australia and in exploration for precious metals, base metals and strategic minerals in Australia, Papua New Guinea and North America. At the Kurara Gold mine in Western Australia, Pacific has an open pit mine in operation in which it has a 65 percent interest. In Eastern Australia, Pacific owns 100 percent of a promising copper project (Girilambone) in the final feasibility stage, which is advancing toward anticipated production in 1992. On the Tabar Islands located in Papua New Guinea, drilling and feasibility studies are continuing on several gold deposits, which are 30 percent owned by Pacific. Pacific also owns a 72.35 percent interest in a major deposit of the strategic minerals chromite, cobalt and nickel located near the Ramu River, Papua New Guinea. A U.S. subsidiary company, Hicor Corporation, based in Albuquerque, N.M., conducts North American exploration.

CONTACT: Pierce Carson, president, or James Rosel, vice president, 505-884-8446, both of Nord Pacific Limited

-30- 2719

#90330p8178 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Express announced today new service from Wilkes-Barre/Scranton to New York's LaGuardia Airport, effective

Dec. 1. The airline will offer four flights daily utilizing the Beechcraft C-99 aircraft in addition to the five daily flights with the 46 passenger ATR-42 aircraft currently offered to Newark Airport.

Richard J. Rushmore, vice president and general manager of Continental Express Eastern Region, said, "Our ability to serve both Newark and LaGuardia is facilitated by the strong community support which Continental Express has received. While we continue to develop connecting traffic over Newark to Continental's worldwide destinations, the addition of non-stop service to LaGuardia creates more travel options for our Wilkes-Barre/Scranton customers."

With Continental Express, customers traveling to LaGuardia or Newark and beyond have access to the many resources of the regional airline's parent company, Continental Airlines. These include advanced seat selection, one time check in, OnePass frequent flier bonus mileage and low through fares. Continental Express flights are timed to provide convenient connections to Contental Airlines in Newark and LaGuardia, with customers experiencing fast on-line connections.

Reservations and further scheduling and fare information may be obtained from local travel agencies or by calling Continental Airlines reservations toll-free at 1-800-525-0280.

CONTACT: Peggy Mahoney of Continental Express, 713-853-9726

-30- 1711

#90330p8184 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARMIEL, ISRAEL, (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - S.P.I. - Suspension and Parts Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: SPILF) today announced the results of operations for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the three-month period amounted to $5,110,892, compared with $4,392,674 for the third quarter of 1989. Net sales for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to $13,718,434, compared with net sales of $12,575,075, in the same period last year.

The company incurred a net loss for the quarter in the amount of $61,861, or 2 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $737,040, or 22 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989. The net loss for the nine months amounted to $490,821, or 14 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $1,985,688, or 58 cents per share, for the comparable period a year ago.

The company recorded a modest operational profit during the quarter. The company stated that actions implemented by management in previouus quarters were beginning to have the desired results: quality control problems have been drastically reduced and delivery schedules have been punctually met. The company continues to focus on reducing inventory.

During this quarter, the company received new orders and releases for its multiyear contract with the U.S. Army and new orders from the Israeli Ministry of Defense and various customers, all of which totalled approximately $9 million with deliveries scheduled for 1991 and 1992.

Efforts are being made to penetrate into markets for commercial products, utilizing technology developed by the company for its military products.

Headquartered in Carmiel, Israel, S.P.I. designs, develops, manufactures and markets components for the suspension systems of a wide variety of military armord vehicles, including steel road wheels and support rollers, sprocket wheels, track components and road wheel arms. The company believes it is currently one of the leading suppliers of steel road wheels used as spare parts by the U.S. armed forces and supplies substantially all the requirements of the Israel Defense Forces for steel road wheels, sprocket wheels, road wheel arms and certain track components.

S.P.I. - SUSPENSION AND PARTS INDUSTRIES LTD.
Income Statement Highlights
(Unaudited)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$5,110,892	$4,392,674
Net income (loss)	(61,861)	(737,040)
Earnings (loss) per share	$(0.02)	$(0.22)
Weighted number of shares outstanding	3,394,500	3,394,500
Nine months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Sales	$13,718,434	$12,575,075
Net income (loss)	(490,821)	(1,985,688)
Earnings (loss) per share	$(0.14)	$(0.58)
Weighted number of shares outstanding	3,394,500	3,394,500

Balance Sheet Highlights

Periods ended	9/30/90	12/31/89
Current assets	$17,575,822	$15,923,202
Current liabilities	12,707,297	10,440,197
Working capital	4,868,525	5,483,005
Property and equipment, net	5,286,577	5,758,094
Long-term debt	1,996,892	2,604,568
Shareholders' equity	8,162,377	8,653,198

CONTACT: Hildy Shandell of Fulbright Jaworski & Reavis McGrath, 212-486-9500, or Yael Schnitzer (in Israel), 053-338071, both for S.P.I.

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#90330p8187 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON, (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Calgene Inc. (NASDAQ: CGNE) today

announced that it has requested that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issue an Advisory Opinion regarding the use of a selectable marker gene, kan(r), in the production of genetically engineered plants. This is the first submission to the FDA requesting an evaluation of a component of genetically engineered plants to be consumed directly as whole food. The approval of the kan(r) gene by the FDA will expedite and simplify the future approval of genetically engineered food crops. The Calgene submission specifically asks for an assessment of the kan(r) gene when used to produce genetically engineered tomato, cotton and rapeseed plants.

Calgene intends to file future FDA petitions for specific genetically engineered plant food products. The company expects the FDA review of these petitions will be conducted in parallel with the evaluation of the kan(r) gene.

Selectable markers such as the kan(r) gene are important tools for the biotechnology industry and have been commonly used in genetic engineering research laboratories for many years. Kan(r) has been used extensively because of its reliability and safety and has recently been approved for and is being used as a selectable marker in human clinical trials with genetically engineered human cells introduced into humans.

In recognition of the high level of public interest in the federal approval process for genetically engineered foods, Calgene will make its complete kan(r) data submission package directly available to all interested parties and intends to publish an executive summary of the submission. Copies of the data package may be ordered directly from Calgene.

Calgene Inc. is an agribusiness biotechnology company that is developing improved plant varieties and plant products for the seed, food and specialty chemical industries. The company has five operating subsidiaries -- AmeriCan Pedigreed Seed Co., Calgene Chemical, NobleBear Inc., Plant Genetics Inc., and Stoneville Pedigreed Seed Co.

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#90330p8190 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOLEDO CITY, PHILIPPINES (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Ernest O. Pitschel, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Atlas Consolidated Mining & Development Corp. (AMEX: ACM.B), announced that mining operations and related activities were stopped late afternoon on Nov. 12, by a typhoon which was the "strongest and worst in the history of the mine."

Initial estimates of the total damage to the various mine facilities and equipment, including business interruption, indicate that it could exceed 200 million pesos (approximately $7 million). The value of the total damage is

now being assessed by insurance adjusters.

Pitschel further reported that partial ore production at the Lutopan Underground Mine commenced on Nov. 16. The Carmen Concentrator will start partial operation shortly. Biga Pit will commence partial production on Nov. 28. Biga Concentrator will start partial operation on Nov. 29 and will resume full production on Dec. 1, thereby attaining the equivalent of about 40 percent of the total daily milling capacity. Carmen Pit is expected to start partial ore production on Dec. 25 and scheduled to be in full production by Dec. 27 when Carmen Concentrator will be in full operation to reach 100 percent daily milling tonnage.

Atlas' Masbate Gold Operations was spared by the typhoon and operation has been normal.

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#90330p8192 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

VERNON HILLS, Ill. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Allscrips Pharmaceuticals, Inc. announced today it has completed the purchase of the drug repackaging business of Redi-Med, Inc., a subsidiary of Home Shopping Network, Inc. (NYSE: HSN). Terms were not disclosed. In addition, Allscrips has signed a fulfillment agreement for the drug repackaging business of Direct Pharmaceutical Corp. (NASDAQ: DPRX), and intends to acquire that business in the near future.

Already the industry leader in supplying highest quality brand name and generic pharmaceuticals in prescription-size packages, Allscrips will have estimated annual sales in excess of $30 million as a result of the merger. The merged companies will all operate under the Allscrips Pharmaceuticals name.

"By providing patients with their prescription medications at the time and place of treatment, physicians can improve patient compliance, and thus clinical outcomes, while sharply controlling costs," said Bruce A. Hazuka, president and chief executive officer of Allscrips. "Allscrips' merger with the repackaging businesses of Direct Pharmaceutical and Redi-Med positions the company favorably to meet the needs of physicians, urgent care clinics, and managed care organizations to provide their patients with high quality, cost effective care in the 1990s."

The pharmaceutical delivery system devised by Allscrips leads to both direct and indirect cost-savings for patients. By receiving their medications at the time of treatment, patients are more inclined to comply with their doctors' instructions, improving the likelihood of a positive therapeutic outcome. Studies have shown that if patients must travel to another site to receive a prescription, 7 to 8 percent will go unfilled. The merger announced today comes two years after Allscrips' acquisition of Mediscript, Inc., a

prescription drug prepackaging company, continuing a trend for consolidation within the industry. Four years ago, there were more than 40 firms; today there are only about a dozen.

"As in other segments of the healthcare industry, it has become clear in our business that one must provide quality care in a cost effective way. Allscrips' acquisition of certain assets of HSN Redi Med and Direct Pharmaceutical Corp. will give us the critical mass to meet the emerging needs of healthcare providers," Hazuka said.

Following a transition period, all administrative, packaging, labeling, and shipping operations of HSN Redi-Med and Direct Pharmaceutical will be transferred to Allscrips' Vernon Hills facility.

Privately held Allscrips Pharmaceuticals, Inc. was formed in April 1986 with equity from a number of leading venture capital firms.

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#90330p8193 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Equipment problems within the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company's (NYSE: CVX) Consumer Services Department are causing telephone delays to customers.

CEI asks customers who do not have emergency calls to please wait until tomorrow to call the company. If customers need to report an emergency, such as a downed power line, power outage, or other similar circumstance they should call CEI at (216) 622-9800.

CEI customers living outside of the Greater Cleveland calling area may call this number collect. CEI apologizes for any inconveniences customers might experience.

CONTACT: Kathy M. Phyfer of The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, (216) 479-4902.

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#90330p8194 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, VA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - John J. O'Connor, president and chief operating officer of Mobil Canada Ltd., the Calgary-based petroleum exploration and producing affiliate of Mobil Corporation (NYSE: MOB), will become vice president, Middle East and Marine Transportation, on Dec. 1 at Mobil's Fairfax headquarters.

A native of Ireland, O'Connor joined Mobil Oil Libya Ltd. in 1968. Over the

next 18 years he progressed through a number of engineering and managerial positions in Abu Dhabi, New York, Indonesia, and New Orleans.

In 1986, O'Connor was appointed general manager of Mobil Producing Netherlands Inc. in The Hague. In 1987, he transferred to New York as general manager, producing, in the Exploration and Producing Division. Later that year he was appointed general manager, foreign negotiations and acquisitions. He assumed his current responsibilities in 1988.

CONTACT: John Lord of Mobil, (703) 846-2500.

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#90330p8197 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEVELAND, (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Mor-Flo Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: MORF) has declared annual dividends of one-cent per share on its common stock and nine tenths-cent per share on its Class B stock payable Dec. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 10, 1990.

Mor-Flo Industries, Inc., is a leading national manufacturer of gas, electric and solar water heaters, as well as related home heating products. The company is headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio, and has major manufacturing facilities in Johnson City and Chattanooga, Tenn., and Santa Monica, Calif.

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#90330p8205 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN NICOLAS, ARUBA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Coastal Aruba Refining Company, N.V., a subsidiary of The Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP), has announced the start-up of the crude unit at its San Nicolas, Aruba refinery.

According to Mike Renfrew, vice president and general refining manager, the initial start-up operations on Nov. 20 went smoothly and the refinery is now producing up to 100,000 barrels a day of refined products including kerosene, diesel fuel, 6 oil, and feedstocks for Coastal's other refineries. As previously announced, production will increase to 150,000 barrels a day early in 1991.

Coastal purchased the refinery in October 1989 and will invest more than $150 million dollars in the rehabilitation of the refinery which had been closed since March 1985.

Renfrew said the start-up of the first phase of the refinery's refurbishing was relatively trouble free. "It's been a long and sometimes difficult road over the past eight months, but today Coastal is making history in Aruba. Everyone, including the local Aruba craftsmen and Turkish contract workers,

can be proud of this achievement," Renfrew said.

The Coastal Corporation is a Houston-based energy holding company. It has consolidated assets of $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal and chemicals, and independent power production.

CONTACT: Jim Bailey, 713-877-6799, or W. F. Osterloh or R. W. Wells (media), 713-877-1400, or Stirling D. Pack, Jr. (investors), 713-877-6924, or 800-231-3829 (outside of Texas); or A. K. Turner (investors), 212-752-7505, all of Coastal Tower

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#90330p8208 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Ameritrust, in partnership with James Ford Rhodes High School, will hold a School Community Appreciation Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. on Nov. 27. The breakfast will be held in the student cafeteria, 5100 Biddulph Ave.

Invitations were sent to organizations requesting their pledge to enhance the personal growth and achievement of students at James Ford Rhodes High School. Organizations can help meet the needs of students by providing: tutors, mentors, team support, jobs, attendance, incentives and awards.

CONTACT: Alean Stewart, principal of James Ford Rhodes High School, 216-351-6285 or Bert Holtz of Universities, Businesses and Cultural Organizations, 216-574-8159.

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#90330p8211 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Midway Airlines and the Air Line Pilots Association today announced that the Midway pilots' leadership has ratified a new labor agreement.

The 3-year contract provides improvements in compensation, work rules, and pension benefits for the carrier's 750 pilots. The contract is retroactive to Nov. 1, 1990, and has an amendable date of Nov. 30, 1993.

Tentative agreement had been announced last Wednesday. The Midway pilots' Master Executive Council voted yesterday to ratify the contract.

"The new agreement was worked out in a cooperative atmosphere with the company. It is fair to the pilots, but it also positions the company to grow and remain competitive," said Captain Jerome Mugerditchian, chairman of the Midway pilots' Master Executive Council.

Thomas E. Schick, president and chief operating officer of Midway Airlines, said, "This agreement with our pilots is important to stabilize the Company during the present difficulties in the industry and to provide us with cost factors we can plan on in our return to profitability."

CONTACT: Julie Reneau or John Mazor of the Air Line Pilots Association, 202-797-4060; or Sandra Allen of Midway Airlines, 312-838-4813.

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#90330p8213 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH WILKESBORO, NC (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Lowe's Companies, Inc. (NYSE: LOW) announced today a third quarter sales increase of 1 percent. Total earnings declined 31 percent compared to the third quarter of 1989. Earnings per share were 38 cents.

Financial Highlights(a)
(In millions, except share data)

Quarter Ended October 31 :	Change(b)	1990	1989
Total Sales	+ 1 pct	$708.12	$702.67
Net Earnings(a)	- 3 1pct	$ 14.08	$ 20.28
Earnings Per Share(a)	- 31 pct	$ .38	$ .54
Average Shares Outstanding	0 pct	37,390,204	37,354,368

Quarterly Sales Analysis

Quarter Ended :	October 31, 1990		October 31, 1989	
	Pct Change	Total Sales (000,000)	Pct of Total	Total Sales (000,000)	Pct of Total
Retail Sales	+ 7	$454.4	64	$424.8	60
Contractor Sales	- 9	$253.7	36	$277.9	40
Total Sales	+ 1	$708.1	100	$702.7	100
Comp. Stores(c)	- 5	$628.3	89	$658.1	94
New Projects(d)	+110	$ 79.3	11	37.7	5
Closed Stores		.5	-	6.9	1
Total Stores	+ 1	$708.1	100	$702.7	100

(a) For details, please see comparative tables attached.
(b) Calculated from unrounded amounts.
(c) 276 average stores open more than one year for the third quarter with comparable square footage. (d) Stores open less than one year and stores which have been retrofitted or relocated during the past twelve months.

Management commented that these disappointing quarterly results stemmed principally from the 5 percent decline in comparable store sales volume. A budgeted increase in these stores' sales did not materialize in the face of a worsening slide in regional housing activity and a slowing rate of gain in retail sales. However, the company's new large stores open one year or more did post a 6 percent increase in comparable store sales.

With this quarter's results, the gross margin in 1990 has been ahead of last year's performance for six months. Aided by no LIFO charge this year, the 1990 third quarter gross margin of 24.68 percent to sales was higher than 1989's third quarter rate of 23.96 percent by 72 basis points. Quarterly expenses were driven upward in percentage by the lower sales volume in comparable stores, and in dollars by the company's continuing commitment to larger store expansion and store remerchandising. Major factors in these resulting higher expenses were sales compensation, depreciation, signs and fixturing, scanning equipment, and certain insurance costs.

The company has previously reported to shareholders that it is a defendant in legal actions filed in Florida and Maryland involving the sale of allegedly defective fire retardant plywood. Since the earlier report, the company, and a number of other vendors and manufacturers of this product, have been named defendants in certain additional actions brought by complainants who employed the product in construction for resale. As previously reported, the company believes it has substantial defenses to alleged liability and does not believe the filing of these additional actions increase its exposure for sale of this product.

Lowe's currently operates 306 stores in 20 states located primarily in the South Atlantic and South Central regions of the United States. Incremental retail sales space for the third quarter exceeded 208,000 square feet, for a company total surpassing 6.7 million.

Lowe's is a specialty retailer of building materials, consumer durables, and home center products for the do-it-yourself and home construction markets. Lowe's shares are listed on the New York, Pacific and London Stock Exchanges under the ticker symbol of LOW.

CONTACT: For further information, including weekly sales data, contact W. Cliff Oxford or Clarissa S. Felts of Lowe's Companies, Inc., 919-651-4631 or 919-651-4254

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#90330p8215 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. (NYSE: MER) announced today the publication of the Altman-Merrill Lynch Index of return performance of defaulted debt securities. The Altman- Merrill Lynch Index, the most comprehensive of its type, is based on the monthly weighted average return on a portfolio of over 130 issues of defaulting companies. The index comprises 50 companies as of October 1990, and will be updated, adding new defaulted issues when relevant, on a monthly basis.

The index was constructed by Dr. Edward I. Altman, the Max L. Heine Professor of Finance at the Leonard N. Stern School of Business of New York University

and an advisor to Merrill Lynch.

"The growth in the number of defaults in the market provide a sizeable number of securities which are involved in corporate reorganizations," according to Martin S. Fridson, managing director of Merrill Lynch and manager of High Yield Research. "An increasing number of investors and institutions specialize in this market and need an appropriate index with which to compare their total return performance," says Fridson. At least 60 financial organizations are specializing in active and passive investing in the public debt, private bank debt and also the trade debt of distressed companies.

Altman, an expert on bankruptcy analysis, believes that there will be other similar indexes as the market grows for specialists in distressed securities. He estimates that the market of defaulted and distressed securities and other debt instruments, both publicly and privately placed, as of October 1990 was at least $330 billion in book value and over $210 billion in market value outstanding.

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#90330p8222 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, WI (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - John A. Wundrock, president and CEO of Wisconsin Pharmacal Company, Inc., today reported record sales for the year ending Sept. 30, 1990. Sales for the year were $10,400,670, representing an increase of $3,382,625 or 48 percent over the prior fiscal year. Operating earnings for fiscal 1990 increased 64 percent to $725,873, compared to $441,161 in fiscal 1989. Income before an extraordinary item was $318,275 in fiscal 1990, compared to $14,418 in fiscal 1989. Net income for fiscal 1990 was reduced to $68,275 due to a $250,000 bank debt prepayment fee.

The company's REPEL Insect Repellent line led the revenue growth. The REPEL brand is a complete line of insect repellents in pump sprays, aerosols and lotions in different strengths, as well as the REPEL Bug Lantern.

Sales for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 totaled $1,796,754 or a 20 percent gain over the same fiscal 1989 period. Prior to extraordinary items, the company posted a net loss of $64,275 for the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter versus a loss of $148,208 in the same fiscal 1989 period.

Wundrock stated that the company's sales are seasonal with a high proportion of sales and earnings occurring in the second and third quarters of the fiscal year which ends Sept. 30. Revenues are usually lowest in fourth quarter.

Expenses incurred for new product development were $424,930 in fiscal 1990, compared to $661,451 in fiscal 1989. The amounts spent on development of the

"female condom" REALITY, the company's new product, decreased in fiscal 1990 due to the fact that many of the clinical studies have been completed, and one of the key ongoing clinical studies is being funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). The company expenses such amounts as incurred even though revenues from new products will not be recorded until future years.

In June 1990 test results for REALITY were presented as a scientific poster of the 6th International Conference on AIDS in San Francisco. REALITY allows women to protect themselves against sexually transmitted disease, including AIDS, and unwanted pregnancy. The company is currently seeking FDA approval for REALITY, for which it holds the North American license.

In July 1990, the company successfully completed an initial public offering. Gross proceeds were $7,500,000.

Interest expense of approximately $469,000 during 1990 represented an increase of approximately $59,000 over 1989, but that increase was more than offset by interest income of $63,000 earned in fiscal 1990 investing excess funds from the public offering. Since the company has repaid all of its bank debt with proceeds from the public offering, interest expense should be considerably lower in fiscal year 1991.

Wundrock commented that with the completion of the public offering, the company is in excellent financial condition and well prepared for future expansion. The company is focusing its efforts both on improving current operating results and positioning the company for future growth and profitability through additional products.

CONTACT: John Wundrock, president and CEO, 414-677-4121, Wisconsin Pharmacal

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#90330p8224 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Income Fund (NYSE: AGF) today declared its December dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.07 per share on the common stock will be paid Dec. 26, 1990 to shareholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

The American Government Income Fund is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.6 billion under management as of Oct. 31, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90330p8227 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - National City Corporation (NYSE: NCC) announced today that Sheila J. Rapp has been elected vice president of the corporation and chief investment officer of National City Trust.

Richard Beeman, head of National City Trust, welcomed Rapp, saying "Sheila adds substantial managerial strengths from her experience as head of the national banking division and nearly a decade of hands-on investment management." National City Trust, with over $18 billion in trust and mutual fund assets under management, ranks as the 22nd largest trust enterprise in the United States.

A graduate of Case Western Reserve University, Rapp joined the bank in 1978 upon completion of her MBA degree from the Weatherhead School of Management. In 1982, she became a Chartered Financial Analyst,

and rose to serve as Director of Research in the bank's Trust Department. She was appointed to the Senior Loan Committee in 1986 and named manager of the National Banking Division. Since July 1987 she has served as head of the Multinational Banking Group.

Rapp is a member of the Cleveland Society of Security Analysts. She serves on the Investment Committee of the Flora Stone Mather Alumni Association and has served as a community advisor to the Junior League of Cleveland. She also serves as a director of the Western Reserve College Alumni Association. In 1987, she received the association's "Distinguished Young Alumnus Award."

CONTACT: Richard Beeman, senior vice president, Trust and Investment Management, 216-575-2760, or Mary H. Griffith, 216-575-2728, both of National City Corporation

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#90330p8229 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pacific-European Growth Fund declared its first dividend today. The semi-annual dividend of $0.20 per share on the common stock will be paid Dec. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990. The entire $0.20 per share is from net investment income.

The Pacific-European Growth Fund is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.6 billion under management as of Oct. 31, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated (NASDAQ: PIPR), an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

The Pacific-European Growth Fund Inc. has retained an experienced international money manager, Edinburgh Fund Managers plc (EFM), Edinburgh, Scotland, to act as a sub-adviser to the fund. EFM, a publicly listed company which provides investment services to institutional clients, was founded in 1969 as a majority-owned subsidiary of American Trust plc, a Scottish closed-end fund founded in 1902. Currently, EFM provides investment management services, directly or through subsidiaries, to six closed-end funds 15 open-end funds and 20 pension plans. As of Sept. 30, 1990, EFM managed assets in excess of $2.4 billion.

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#90330p8232 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Income Portfolio (NYSE: AAF) today declared its December dividend. The dividend of $0.0885 per share on the common stock will be paid Dec. 26, 1990 to shareholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

The American Government Income Portfolio is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.6 billion under management as of Oct. 31, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90330p8234 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Yukon Pacific Corp. (YPC) President and CEO William V. McHugh has announced the award of a design contract to be performed by Bechtel Corp., Houston, covering the first phase of engineering services for Yukon Pacific's proposed natural gas liquefaction facility and marine terminal at Anderson Bay, Alaska, near Valdez. The facility is planned as part of YPC's Trans-Alaska Gas System (TAGS) project.

In making the announcement McHugh noted that Bechtel has a long history of successful design experience with large liquefied natural gas (LNG) plants, and commands widespread respect for its work in the same Asian markets that YPC is targeting for sales of its LNG. McHugh stressed that the work Bechtel will do is necessary to satisfy regulatory requirements and does not signal official start-up of the massive project. "While we remain confident that TAGS will be built," McHugh said, "we do not want anyone to misinterpret the significance of this event. We are still working diligently in our markets to secure the necessary purchase commitments to finance and build this project.

Until we have them, TAGS remains an exciting prospect in Alaska's future."

According to Yukon Pacific's Senior Vice President for Engineering, Peter DeMay, the scope of Bechtel's work will include evaluation and recommendation of technology selection, as well as preliminary engineering and basic design for the proposed LNG production complex. The Anderson Bay site is located 3 miles west of the existing storage and marine loading facility constructed for shipment of Prudhoe Bay oil. YPC's LNG plant will be the largest of its kind when all phases are completed.

TAGS (Trans-Alaska Gas System) is an LNG (Liquefied Natural Gas) export project sponsored by Yukon Pacific Corp. to transport Alaskan North Slope gas to markets in Japan, South Korea and the Republic of China.

CONTACT: Wayne Lewis of Yukon Pacific Corp., 907-265-3100.

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#90330p8235 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE, (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Advanced Technology Laboratories Inc. (ATL) introduced a set of five new features and enhancements called "Digital Plus" for its Ultramark(R) 9 digital ultrasound system at the annual meeting of the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) in Chicago, Westmark International Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: WMRK) announced today. These features include unique, proprietary transponder technology (Biosponder1/8TM3/8) for the visualization of a biopsy needle tip during ultrasound-guided biopsy and aspiration procedures, a proprietary adaptive algorithm that differentiates between motion and low flow blood velocities to eliminate color artifacts and Transcranial Doppler, a major breakthrough in noninvasive vascular diagnosis, which provides a color Doppler display of the brain's vasculature.

The five Digital Plus features are available to ATL's installed base of Ultramark 9 system customers as field upgrades. The company expects to commence delivery of these new features in the first quarter of 1991.

ATL also showed as a works in progress the ability to capture and digitally store live images and color Doppler on optical and floppy disks with its DAASR(TM) Module (Digital Acquisition, Analysis, Storage and Retrieval). The DAASR module links two of the three components of the ATL Digital Ultrasound(TM) Information System, the Ultramark 9 system and a digital workstation. A third component consists of instruments and technology that further enhance ultrasound-derived information. ATL's Biosponder is the first of such instruments.

At the RSNA, ATL showed a prototype of the digital workstation, which extends the capabilities of the Ultramark 9 system to capture, store and retrieve real-time images on optical disks. This technology brings real-time digital color and grayscale loops to the radiologist's reading room for further

analysis or serial studies. Currently, radiologists primarily work from static films or hard copy color prints.

"The strategy for ATL during the 1990s is to continue to improve the quality of diagnostic information provided by our ultrasound systems and to assist the physician in acquiring, analyzing and communicating this information. This is made possible through rapid advancements occurring in our proprietary digital technology," said Allen W. Guisinger, president of ATL.

The Ultramark 9 Digital Plus features are as follows: Biosponder Needle Guidance Module -- Provides an assured method of visualizing the needle tip in ultrasound-guided biopsy/aspiration procedures. As in routine ultrasound-guided biopsy/aspiration procedures, a common Chiba bevel-tip needle (cannula) is advanced through the tissue. ATL's Biosponder needle consists of a cannula containing a stylet with a minute transponder in the tip which transmits a pulse back to the Ultramark 9 system. The needle tip appears on the system screen as a bright dot, and an audible signal verifies that the needle tip is within the plane of the image scan beam.

The exact locational information assists the clinician in improved procedure accuracy, patient safety and visual documentation of site of biopsy. It also facilitates the biopsy of smaller masses, decreases the time required to perform the procedure and is an excellent training tool for those uninitiated to biopsy and aspiration procedures.

Dynamic Motion Differentiation -- Eliminates color artifacts caused by tissue motion. ATL's digital beamforming technology uses a unique, adaptive algorithm -- independent of the system's wall filters -- to minimize motion artifacts caused by respiration, heartbeat, etc. and to increase color Doppler sensitivity over a wide range of flow states.

Multifrequency Capability -- Automatically optimizes imaging and Doppler frequencies independently for greater Doppler sensitivity to blood flow in deep vessels or anywhere that attenuation prevents adequate Doppler sampling.

Transcranial Doppler -- Capitalizes on ATL's digital beamformer capability to detect faint returning Doppler signals. ATL's transcranial Doppler capability provides a color Doppler display of the brain's vessels for the assessment of carotid artery and vertebral disease.

Colorscale(TM) Imaging -- Assigns color hues to selected echo amplitudes in 2D images and spectral Doppler for visualization of subtle tissue and details. For both imaging and spectral information, color may extend the dynamic range that the eye can perceive.

Westmark, with headquarters in Seattle, is a worldwide developer, manufacturer and distributor of diagnostic ultrasound systems and electronic patient monitoring systems through its subsidiaries, Advanced Technology Laboratories

Inc. in Bothell, Wash., and SpaceLabs Inc. in Redmond, Wash.

Westmark's common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol WMRK.

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BALTIMORE (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE) reported common stock earnings of $181,275,000 for the 10 months ended Oct. 31 1990, equivalent to $2.21 per common share.

This compares with earnings of $218,744,000, equivalent to $2.74 per share, for the 10 months ended Oct. 31, 1989. For the 12 months ended Oct. 31, 1990, earnings on common stock were $206,441,000, equivalent to $2.52 per share. This compares with $243,928,000, or $3.06 per share, for the 12 months ended Oct. 31, 1989.

Earnings per share for the company's utility business and for its diversified business activities were as follows:

Periods ended	10 months		12 months	
Oct. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Utility operations	$2.12(A)	$2.51	$2.41(A)	$2.76
Diversified business activities	.09	.23	.11	.30
Total	$2.21	$2.74	$2.52	$3.06

(A) Includes approximately 33 cents per share attributable to the change in policy for recognizing utility revenues as described below.

In October 1990, the company changed its revenue recognition policy to provide for the accrual of revenue for utility service rendered but not yet billed to customers as of the end of each month. This change increased earnings approximately 33 cents per share for each of the periods ended Oct. 31, 1990. This change conforms with the predominant practice within the utility industry and provides for a better match between revenues and expenses. The total impact of the change on 1990 earnings is estimated to be 40 cents per share.

The decreases in utility earnings for both periods, excluding the impact of the aforementioned change in accounting method, are primarily attributable to the effects of higher operations and maintenance expenses.

Kilowatt-hour sales of electricity for the 10 months ended Oct. 31, 1990, increased less than 1 percent from the comparable period last year. Residential sales increased 1.5 percent, reflecting an increase in the number of customers, while commercial and industrial sales were essentially unchanged.

The total volume of gas sold during the current 10-month period decreased 6.2 percent from the same period last year. The decrease in sales was primarily related to milder winter weather and decreased usage by our commercial and industrial customers.

Earnings from diversified business activities primarily represent the results of operations of Constellation Holdings Inc. and its subsidiaries. During the remainder of 1990, earnings from diversified business activities are expected to improve moderately but are not expected to reach the 24 cents per share earnings contribution achieved during calendar year 1989.

BALTIMORE GAS AND ELECTRIC CO. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Financial Information
(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

Ten months ended Oct. 31	1990(B)	1989
Revenues:		
Electric	$1,426,618	$1,281,178
Gas	290,904	325,527
Diversified business activities	78,581	61,089
Total	1,796,103	1,667,794
Net income	214,489	245,105
Earnings applicable to common stock	181,275	218,744
Average common shares outstanding	82,168	79,928
Earnings per share of common stock:		
Utility operations	$2.12	$2.51
Diversified business activities	.09	.23
Total	2?.21	2.74

Twelve months ended Oct. 31	1990(B)	1989
Revenues:		
Electric	$1,664,734	$1,489,348
Gas	377,177	404,123
Diversified business activities	90,533	70,196
Total	2,132,444	1,963,667
Net income	245,674	275,337
Earnings applicable to common stock	206,441	243,928
Average common shares outstanding	81,865	79,822
Earnings per share of common stock:		
Utility operations	$2.41	$2.76
Diversified business activities	.11	.30
Total	2.52	3.06

(B) Includes the impact of the change in policy for recognizing revenues for utility service rendered but not yet billed to customers as of the end of each month. This change increased earnings approximately 33 cents per share for each of the periods ended Oct. 31, 1990.

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#90330p8240 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Term Trust (NYSE: AGT) today declared its December dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.08 per share on the common stock will be paid Dec. 26, 1990 to shareholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

The American Government Term Trust is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.6 billion under management as of Oct. 31, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90330p8243 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PETERSBURG, VA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - On November 26, 1990, the Board of Directors of Brenco Incorporated (NASDAQ: BREN) declared the 155th consecutive quarterly dividend in the amount of five (5) cents per share on the 9,664,174 shares of Common Stock outstanding payable on January 7, 1991 to shareholders of record at the close of business December 14, 1990.

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#90330p8245 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Summa Medical Corp. (AMEX: SU) today reported the results of operations for its second quarter ended Sept. 30 1990.

The loss before other income/deductions for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $2,138,254, up 67 percent from the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The net loss for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $3,685,196 (or 23 cents per share) compared to a net loss of $1,651,897 (or 12 cents per share) for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the second quarter the net loss was $2,660,657 (or 16 cents per share) compared to a net loss of $530,716 (or 4 cents per share) for the second quarter of the previous fiscal year.

The principal reason for the increase in the losses for 1990 over 1989 is the additional write down of $1,250,000 in the second quarter of the company's investment in Everyday Discount Drugs Inc., as previously announced in the company's letter to shareholders dated Oct. 26, 1990. The company is also incurring additional research and development expenses relative to its HDCD and voice compression projects. The company has a development agreement with Hughes Aircraft Co. for the voice compression technology, and has begun the process of reaching a final licensing agreement with Hughes, as previously announced, the up front licensing fee will range from $5-10 million and royalties will range between 4-8 percent of gross sales. The company has also put into place several financing arrangements to provide funding for its operations.

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#90330p8247 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Adjustable Rate Term Trust - 1996 (NYSE: BDJ) today declared its December dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.075 per share on the common stock will be paid Dec. 26, 1990 to shareholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

The American Adjustable Rate Term Trust - 1996 is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.6 billion under management as of Oct. 31, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90330p8248 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - BFS Bankorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: BFSI), the parent holding company for Bankers Federal Savings FSB, today announced that it experienced a net loss of $869,000 for the year ending Sept. 30, 1990, versus net income of $3,964,000, for the prior year. This resulted in a loss per share of $0.61.

Also, BFS Bankorp had a net loss of $3,178,000 for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $764,000 in the prior year's fourth quarter. This resulted in a quarterly loss per share of $2.29.

The 1990 results were dramatically impacted by a $3,826,000 addition to general loan loss reserves including $3,396,000 added in the fourth quarter and a $939,000 increase in the reversal of interest income on non-performing

first mortgage loans of which $251,000 occurred in the fourth quarter. As of Sept. 30, 1990, the general loan loss reserves are 1.18 percent of total loans and 20 percent of non-performing loans.

The increase in reserves was recently approved by the bank's board of directors and is in accord with the recommendation of the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), as a result of its recently completed examination. Bankers Federal also had one property as "real estate owned" (REO) as of the end of this fiscal year. This has since been sold at a price which recovered all principal, negative escrow, and interest not previously reserved.

James A. Randall, BFS Bankorp's president and chief executive officer, said: "Although Bankers Federal Savings has had no mortgage loan losses in recent years, we continue to believe that a conservative, prudent approach to loan loss provisions is required in today's market. The increase reflects the higher level of non-performing loans and the board's caution regarding the recent rise in New York City real estate taxes and fuel costs."

Randall further commented that "Bankers Federal Savings FSB continues to meet all three fully phased in FIRREA capital requirements. Also, our Tangible Book Value of $15.74 per share demonstrates the continuing health of our institution."

BFS BANKORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition
(In thousands)

	9/30/90	9/30/89
Assets		
Cash and due from banks	$ 5,844	$ 5,079
Federal funds and interest-bearing deposits	35,600	20,000
Investment securities, net	5,690	6,634
Mortgage-backed securities, net	48,172	52,662
Real estate owned	1,614	--
Loans:		
First mortgage loans	370,070	338,317
Other loans	6,304	4,083
Total	376,374	342,400
Less allowance for loan losses	4,456	630
Loans, net	371,918	341,770
Premises and equipment, net	2,963	1,972
Accrued interest receivable	5,052	4,333
Other assets	2,172	1,763
Total assets	479,025	434,213
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Liabilities:		
Deposits	358,503	322,633
Borrowed funds	55,744	40,859

Collateralized mortgage obligations	32,228	35,466
Mortgagors' escrow payments	6,503	7,005
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	4,192	4,976
Total liabilities	457,170	410,939
Stockholders' equity: Preferred stock, $.01 par value, 2,000,000 shares authorized, none issued	--	--
Common stock, $.01 par value, 6,000,000 shares authorized: issued 1,448,401 at 9/30/90, 1,437,500 at 9/30/89	14	14
Additional paid-in capital	8,374	8,298
Retained earnings, substantially restricted	14,491	15,589
Common stock acquired for ESOP	(244)	(359)
Common stock acquired for Management Recognition Plan (MRP)	(215)	(268)
Common stock in treasury, at cost 59,940 shares at 9/30/90	(565)	--
Total stockholders' equity	21,855	23,274
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	479,025	434,213

BFS BANKORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except per share data)

Periods ended	Three months		Twelve months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Interest Income:				
First mortgage loans	$9,459	$8,869	$37,337	$31,945
Mortgage-backed securities	928	1,073	3,811	3,651
Federal funds & interest-bearing deposits	738	442	2,336	2,194
Investment securities	154	343	866	1,422
Other loans	156	139	664	496
Total interest income	11,435	10,866	45,014	39,708
Interest Expense:				
Deposits	6,446	6,077	24,921	22,716
Borrowed funds	1,325	882	4,635	2,430
Collateralized mortgage obligations	872	883	3,384	2,711
Total interest expense	8,643	7,842	32,940	27,857
Net interest income	2,792	3,024	12,074	11,851
Provision for loan losses	3,396	60	3,826	280
Net interest income/(loss) after provision for loan losses	(604)	2,964	8,248	11,571
Other Income:				
Gain on sale of investment securities	--	--	612	1,572
Loan fees & service charges	58	200	841	1,026

Other fees & service charges	268	60	603	218
Other	32	4	125	16
Total other income	358	264	2,181	2,832
Other Expenses:				
Compensation & benefits	1,032	1,013	4,185	3,655
Marketing	107	54	274	260
Occupancy & equipment	364	346	1,363	1,117
Data processing service fees	101	116	335	340
SAIF deposit insurance premiums	159	145	638	577
Other	639	254	2,006	1,518
Total other expenses	2,402	1,928	8,801	7,467
Income/(loss) before tax provision	(2,648)	1,300	1,628	6,936
Provision for income tax expense	530	536	2,497	2,972
Net income/(loss)	(3,178)	764	(869)	3,964
Earnings/(loss) per share	$(2.29)	$0.53	$(0.61)	$2.76

BFS BANKORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Selected Financial Data
(Unaudited; in percents, except per-share figures)

Periods ended	Three months		12 months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Financial Operating Ratios Average yields:				
Mortgages	10.19	10.62	10.46	10.37
Total interest-earning assets	9.92	10.32	9.97	9.99
Average cost:				
Deposits	7.20	7.51	7.28	7.17
Borrowed funds	9.43	9.39	9.39	9.80
CMO	9.77	9.02	9.01	9.07
Total interest-bearing liabilities	7.69	7.83	7.67	7.50
Interest rate spread	2.23	2.49	2.30	2.49
Net interest margin	2.37	2.87	2.67	2.98
Oper. expns. as pct. of avg. assets	2.00	1.80	1.92	1.84
Earnings per share	($2.29)	$0.53	($0.61)	$2.76

Financial Highlights

At Sept. 30	1990	1989
Total interest-earning assets	$471,680,000	$426,775,000
Total interest-bearing liabilities	446,475,000	398,958,000
Number of shares outstanding, net	1,388,461	1,437,500
Mortgages delinquent over 90 days (pct.)	4.70	1.72
Equity to assets ratio (pct.)	4.56	5.36
Book value	21,855,000	23,274,000
Book value per share	$15.74	$16.19

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Opportunity Income Fund (NYSE: OIF) today declared its December dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.0833 per share on the common stock will be paid Dec. 26, 1990 to shareholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

The American Government Income Fund is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.6 billion under management as of Oct. 31, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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NAPERVILLE, IL (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Varlen Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: VRLN) had increased sales but a sharp decline in earnings for its fiscal third quarter and nine-month periods.

Richard L. Wellek, president and chief executive officer, said the decline in earnings was due to softness in Varlen's markets, which he said also points to a reduction in earnings for the fourth quarter.

For the three months ended Oct. 27, 1990, Varlen had net income of $758,000 or 17 cents per share compared with restated earnings from continuing operations of $2,358,000 or 53 cents per share for the year-ago period. Net income in the 1989 fiscal third quarter, which includes a loss from discontinued operations, was $1,776,000 or 39 cents per share.

Third quarter earnings were impacted by an upward adjustment in Varlen's effective tax rate resulting from a significant decline in the company's projected full year earnings.

The higher effective tax rate resulted from lower earnings over which to absorb goodwill and other non-deductible expenses. Current results include an approximate 9 cents per share impact, of which 7 cents is related to the 1990 first half.

Net sales for the 1990 fiscal third quarter were $62,165,000, a 7.8 percent increase over restated sales for the year-ago period of $57,680,000. The

increase reflects Varlen's July 3, 1990, acquisition of Walter Herzog GmbH, Lauda, Germany, and the Heico laboratory group of companies on March 6, 1990.

Wellek said that Means Industries, Varlen's automotive products subsidiary, had improved earnings, primarily due to increased sales from new programs, but the increase was not enough to compensate for a broad based market weakness which impacted Varlen's other operations.

For the first nine months of the 1990 fiscal year, Varlen had net income of $5,031,000 or $1.12 per share compared with earnings from continuing operations of $8,237,000 or $1.84 per share in the comparable year-ago period. Net income for the first nine months of the 1989 fiscal year, which includes results from discontinued operations, was $8,525,000 or $1.90 per share.

Net sales for the first nine months of the 1990 fiscal year were $184,492,000 compared with restated year-ago sales for the period of $173,224,000.

Wellek noted that Varlen was taking aggressive actions to reduce costs and improve cash flow, without hurting long-term opportunities for growth. However results for the fourth quarter are still expected to be well below prior year results due to further softening in the company's markets, he noted.

Wellek said that Varlen's Keystone Railway Equipment Co. is evaluating a change to last-in, first-out (LIFO) inventory methodology. He noted that the change in accounting, while beneficial to the company's cash position, would reduce earnings.

Varlen is a diversified manufacturer of precision industrial products, primarily for the transportation and laboratory equipment markets. The company serves U.S. and foreign markets with operating locations in six states and Germany. Headquarters is in Naperville, Ill.

VARLEN CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
(In thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

Third quarter ended	10/27/90	10/28/89
Net sales	$62,165	$57,680
Earnings from continuing operations	758	2,358
Discontinued operations, net of income taxes	--	(582)
Net earnings	758	1,776
Earnings per share:		
Continuing operations	$0.17	$0.53
Discontinued operations	--	$(0.14)
Net earnings per share	$0.17	$0.39
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,491	4,518

Nine Months Ended	10/27/90	10/28/89
Net sales	$184,492	$173,224
Earnings from continuing operations	5,031	8,237
Discontinued operations, net of income taxes	--	288
Net earnings	$5,031	$8,525
Earnings per share:		
Continuing operations	$1.12	$1.84
Discontinued operations	--	$0.06
Net earnings per share	$1.12	$1.90
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,492	4,486

CONTACT: Richard L. Wellek, president and CEO, or Douglas H. MacMillan, VP & CFO, or Richard A. Nunemaker, VP, controller, 708-420-0400, of Varlen.

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#90330p8258 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the Vanguard Municipal Bond Fund today declared the following distributions:

Vanguard Municipal Bond Fund/Limited Term Portfolio -- a distribution from realized long-term capital gains of $0.00512 (approximately one-half cent) per share, payable on Nov. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 26.

Vanguard Municipal Bond Fund/Intermediate Term Portfolio -- a distribution from realized long-term capital gains of $0.09455 (approximately nine and one-half cents) per share, payable Nov. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 26.

Vanguard Municipal Bond Fund/Long-Term Portfolio -- a distribution from realized long-term capital gains of $0.17592 (approximately 17 and one-half cents) per share, payable Nov. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 26.

Vanguard Municipal Bond Fund/High Yield Term Portfolio -- a distribution from realized long-term capital gains of $0.14011 (approximately 14 cents) per share, payable Nov. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 26.

Vanguard Municipal Bond Fund/Insured Long-Term Term Portfolio -- a distribution from realized long-term capital gains of $0.12461 (approximately 12 and one-half cents) per share, payable Nov. 30, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 26.

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#90330p8265 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Health Realty Income Trust (NYSE: UHT) refinanced its $50 million bank revolving credit agreement which was scheduled to begin amortizing in September of 1991.

The new $50 million revolving credit agreement includes all three of the trust's original banks and extends the date for principal repayment to September of 1994. Borrowings are available at the trust's option at various spreads, determined by the trust's achievement of certain financial tests, over the CD rate, LIBOR and prime. While pricing under the agreement increased slightly and the financial covenants were relaxed slightly, the terms and conditions of the new bank credit are essentially unchanged from those of the trust's original credit agreement.

Alan B. Miller, chairman of the trust, noted the trust's satisfaction with the refinancing by saying, "In light of the current difficulties in banks and in the credit markets, we are gratified that our banks continue their support of the trust. The new credit agreement extends the maturity date of principal payments and thereby demonstrates the trust's ability to refinance its loans even during adverse market conditions."

Universal Health Realty Income Trust, a real estate investment trust, invests in health care and human service-related facilities including acute care hospitals, psychiatric hospitals, substance abuse recovery centers and rehabilitation hospitals. The trust currently owns 12 hospitals and provides mortgage financing for another hospital.

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#90330p8271 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDEN PRAIRIE, MINN (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Electro-Sensors, Inc. (NASDAQ: ELSE) announced that the sales through the third quarter (overleaf) reflect a continuation of low volume in the Microflame subsidiary, offsetting gains in the Speed Monitoring division and Drive Control Systems.

The profit results reflect the ongoing expenses of the Drive Control Systems group and "Precursor" research and development project. Profits were also effected by the decline in Microflame sales and reduced profits on the sales of securities.

ELECTRO-SENSORS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENT OF INCOME (Unaudited)

	Third Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$1,097,152	$1,144,108	$3,448,961	$3,639,288

Cost and expenses:				
Cost of sales	542,014	530,841	1,603,533	1,640,327
Operating expenses	513,180	552,250	1,614,310	1,643,167
Total	1,055,194	1,083,091	3,217,843	3,283,494
Operating income	41,958	61,017	231,118	355,794
Other income	88,190	142,955	169,161	236,438
Income before income taxes	130,148	203,972	400,279	592,232
Provision for income taxes	46,600	76,621	147,050	219,251
Net income	$83,548	$127,351	$253,229	$372,981
Average shares outstanding	1,815,637	1,837,861	1,816,984	1,842,925
Earnings per share	$.05	$.07	$.14	$.20

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#90330p8272 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 26) PRNEWSWIRE - Georgia Power Co. officials today asked the state Public Service Commission (PSC) to reduce the utility's fuel cost recovery rate.

If approved, the move could save Georgia Power customers approximately $18.2 million during the first five months of 1991.

For an average residential customer who uses 1,000 kilowatt hours per month, the reduction could mean a savings of 85 cents per month from January through May. The PSC could reassess the fuel cost recovery rate after that period.

"The savings are primarily due to the outstanding performance by our nuclear units and lower prices for coal," said Georgia Power President and Chief Executive Officer Bill Dahlberg. "Since the company's fuel costs have been lower than projected, we believe our consumers should benefit from our savings."

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#90330p8275 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Oil-Dri Corporation of America (NASDAQ: OILC) today reported record sales of $26,894,000 for the first three months of fiscal 1991 ended Oct. 31. This represents an 11 percent increase over the $24,270,000 reported for the same period a year ago.

Pre-tax income for the quarter was also a record $2,821,000 as compared to

pre-tax income of $2,698,000 for last year. Net income for the quarter was $2,154,000 or $0.31 per share, off slightly from $2,184,000 or $0.31 earned in the comparable period of last year.

The $0.31 earned in the first quarter of fiscal 1990 reflects the company's adoption of SFAS No. 96, "Accounting for Income Taxes," issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board. The cumulative effect of this accounting change increased net income in the first quarter of last year by $160,000 or $0.02 per share.

Commenting on the first quarter of the current year, Richard M. Jaffee, president of Oil-Dri, stated the following: ''Sales for the quarter were excellent. Increases were driven by Cat's Pride(R) Premium, Pure-Flo(R) Bleaching Clay and the new Oil-Dri Lite(TM) Sorbents. Earnings, as compared to the adjusted records highs of the same quarter of last year, were affected by the reduced contribution from the agricultural section of the company's business.''

"This year the formulating season has been slow to start, reducing demand for our Agsorb(R) Carriers. We are hopeful that we may see a rebound as customers work through existing inventories."

"Cat's Pride(R) Premium and the Consumer Products Division did very well in the quarter. Cat's Pride(R) Premium continues to increase dollar volume at a dramatic rate. In a year-to-year comparison of SAMI (note a) numbers for dollar volume, Cat's Pride(R) Premium is showing a 30 percent increase. Fresh Step (note b) and Control (note b), manufactured for The Clorox Co., are also showing strong sales, while competitive brand names were flat or down."

"Pure-Flo(R) business was excellent in the first quarter. Export shipments were up substantially over last year, due primarily to increased demand from Malaysia. Domestic business was also very strong, up considerably over the same quarter a year ago."

"Oil-Dri's Lite Sorbents performed well for the period, in spite of a sluggish industrial economy. We continue to shift our marketing mix toward our more profitable products and target our new polypropylene business segment with an aggressive sales effort. We are seeing an excellent contribution from this area and expect it to favorably impact the results of the year."

"While earnings were down slightly from the comparable period, we are optimistic about the overall prospects for the year. While we are cautious about the general economy and the potential impact of the international situation, we are anticipating increases in sales and earnings for the rest of the year."

Oil-Dri is a leader in developing, manufacturing and marketing sorbent products and technologies for consumer, agricultural, industrial,

environmental and specialty markets. The corporation is headquartered at 520 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Ill. 60611. (a) SAMI is a grocery industry report service provided by the Arbitron Co. (b) Fresh Step and Control are registered trademarks of The Clorox Co.

	FIRST QUARTER ENDED OCT. 31	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$26,894,000	$24,270,000
Income before income taxes and cumulative effect of accounting change	2,821,000	2,698,000
Income taxes	667,000	674,000
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	2,154,000	2,024,000
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for income taxes	---	160,000
Net income	2,154,000	2,184,000
Earnings per share		
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	$ 0.31	$ 0.29
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for income taxes	--	0.02
Net income per share(A)	$ 0.31	$ 0.31
Average number of shares outstanding(A)	7,049,180	7,027,984

(A) Adjusted for a five-for-four stock split-up effected in the form of a dividend on March 15, 1990.

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TORRANCE, CA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: CCMM) today announced operating results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the first quarter, revenue increased to $1,729,000 from $1,280,000 in the same period last year and the company reported a net loss of $668,000 or ($.08) per share as compared to a net loss of $860,000 or ($.10) per share in the comparable period last year.

Raymond E. High, president, stated that the company intends to introduce the first standard product of its Data Express (TM) InterOp/7000 product family in December 1990 and that subsequent product announcements are scheduled for the third and fourth fiscal quarters. Availability of this new product for customer shipments is scheduled for March 1991.

High stated that both the special systems division and the customer service division continue to operate profitably with an aggregate customer backlog of approximately $6,000,000. The standard products division, responsible for the development and introduction of the InterOp/7000 product family, however, is the major factor in the company's operating loss and cash drain.

The company does not expect the standard products division to achieve profitability during the remainder of fiscal year 1991 although, as shipments of the new standard products commence and increase, the operational losses and cash drains are expected to improve.

The company, in its 24th year, is a leading independent producer of equipment and systems which are an integral part of high-speed data communications networks serving a broad spectrum of users. Its common stock is traded in the over-the-counter market and is regularly quoted on NASDAQ under the symbol of "CCMM."

COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS INC. FIRST QUARTER OPERATING RESULTS Nov. 26, 1990

Three Months Ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
Condensed consolidated statements of income:		
Revenue	$1,729,000	$1,280,000
Net (loss)	($668,000)	($860,000)
Net (loss) per share	($.08)	($.10)
Average and dilutive shares	8,749,000	8,749,000

CONTACT: L. Ronald Trepp, VP Finance of Computer Communications Inc., (213) 320-9101.

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#90330p8285 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - David M. LeVan has been elected senior vice president-Corporate Systems of Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR), it was announced today by James A. Hagen, Conrail's chairman, president and chief executive officer. In his new position, LeVan will report to Hagen. LeVan previously held the position of vice president-Corporate Strategy.

The new Corporate Systems Department will be responsible for the continuing development of corporate strategies and will also include the Administrative Services Department, the Information Systems Department, and the Resource Development Department.

Allan Schimmel has been promoted to vice president-Administrative Services and corporate secretary. Schimmel previously had been corporate secretary and assistant to the chairman. The appointments were effective today.

LeVan, 44, joined Conrail's Finance Department in 1978 from the accounting firm of Coopers & Lybrand. At Conrail, he also has served as assistant controller-General Accounting, assistant vice president-Auditing, assistant vice president-Treasury, and vice president-Treasurer.

Schimmel, 50, joined Conrail in 1976 from the United States Railway Association, where he was assistant vice president-Congressional Relations. At Conrail, he has also served as director of Federal Relations and executive director-Staff Studies. In the 1960s and early 1970s, Schimmel served in legislative assistant and administrative assistant positions to members of Congress.

Conrail operates a rail-freight transportation network in 14 northeastern and midwestern states, the District of Columbia, and the Province of Quebec.

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#90330p8287 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Manville Corp. (NYSE: MVL) today submitted papers asking U.S. District Judge Jack B. Weinstein and U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Burton R. Lifland to issue orders reaffirming injunctive provisions of the company's plan of reorganization that protect it from all asbestos related suits and require that all such claims be settled and paid by the Manville Personal Injury Settlement Trust.

Manville said it requested the action at this time because of the Trust's widely publicized financial problems and related court activities in which the Trust has asked Judge Weinstein to establish a class action lawsuit for all beneficiaries of the Trust. The publicity, over the past several months, has raised concerns among potential Manville investors, institutions which lend money to Manville, customers, employees and shareholders that the injunction might be questioned.

"Even though there has been no legal challenge to the injunction since it was issued, and Manville believes that it is as solid now as it was then, the widespread media coverage about the Trust has contributed to these concerns," Tom Stephens, Manville chairman, president and CEO said.

Recently, Manville and the Trust agreed on a plan to provide up to $650 million through a series of dividend payments to all shareholders on a pro rata basis over the next seven years. The Trust could receive as much as $520 million additional funding through the plan.

The company anticipates that an initial hearing will be set early in January.

Manville Corp. is an international manufacturing and natural resources company

headquartered in Denver. The company's primary businesses include building and engineered products, fiber glass and industrial insulation products, paper and wood products, packaging, roofing systems and filtration and minerals. Founded in 1858, Manville has more than 18,000 people at more than 50 plants and seven mining interests worldwide. Manville and its subsidiaries have more than $2.5 billion in assets as of Dec. 31, 1989.

CONTACT: Don Ferguson of Manville Corp., 303-978-3255

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#90330p8309 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

VAN NUYS, Calif. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Pinkerton Security & Investigation Services (NASDAQ: PKTN) said today that Michael Arthur & Associates, Santa Monica, with its affiliate Libov/Roth Associates, has been named licensing agent for the Pinkerton name.

Thomas Wathen, Pinkerton chairman and chief executive officer, said he believes association with the company's name and reputation has unique marketing and attention-creating value.

"Pinkerton possesses a real and significant place in American history," he said. "The Pinkerton name is virtually synonymous with security and investigation and is widely known and respected. We believe the name inspires confidence, and with good reason."

According to Peter C. Sawyers, Pinkerton Director of Marketing, the Pinkerton name "offers genuine value to licensees as well as another source of revenue for our company."

"Security and safety-related products would present a natural correlation as would electronic items and work clothing. We would even consider motion picture or television tie-ins and game and toy items," he added.

Sawyers said the company recently commissioned a consumer attitude survey by an independent research firm.

"More than half of American consumers surveyed readily recognized the Pinkerton name, and of that number nine of every 10 expressed a favorable attitude," Sawyers reported.

He added that the survey indicated that one-third of consumers responding favorably assigned "very high marks for image" to the Pinkerton name.

Sawyers said the latest survey also confirmed earlier market research which had shown Pinkerton scoring "significantly higher" in recognition than any other security firm nationwide.

"It could be said that Allan Pinkerton was the real creator both of what became the U.S. Secret Service and of the private security and investigation industry," Wathen stated.

"There is a sense of adventure and romance to the Pinkerton name that makes the name not only part of U.S. history, but also part of American Wild West legend," he added.

Both Pinkerton executives stressed that licensing of the company name would be restricted to products or services offering quality commensurate with Pinkerton's reputation.

"What we will not do," Sawyers said, "is offer a license if we don't agree it will be valuable to the licensee or if we think the proposed use of the name would damage the public's perception of Pinkerton in any way."

Pinkerton Security & Investigation Services is the trade name for Pinkerton's Inc.

CONTACT: Peter C. Sawyers of Pinkerton's Inc., 818-373-8954; or Michael Arthur of Michael Arthur & Associates, 213-829-0588.

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#90330p8320 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) (NYSE: SDO) declared today a quarterly dividend of 67.5 cents per share on the company's common stock, the same amount paid in the previous quarter.

This dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 10, 1990.

The directors also declared dividends on SDG&E preferred and preference stock as follows:

Cumulative preferred: $.25 per share on the 5 percent series, $.23 on the 4.60 percent series, $.225 on the 4-1/2 percent series and $.22 on the 4.40 percent series.

Preference (cumulative): $1.95 on the $7.80 series, $1.80 on the $7.20 series $2.0625 on the $8.25 series, $2.28125 on the $9.125 series, $.61875 on the $2.475 series and $1.7625 on the $7.05 series.

CONTACT: Elizabeth A. Pecsi of San Diego Gas and Electric, 619-696-4286

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#90330p8324 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIROSHIMA, JAPAN (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Mazda Motor Corp. today announced that all passenger car models sold in the United States would be equipped with both driver and front seat passenger airbags by the 1994 model year.

Norimasa Furuta, president of Mazda Motor Corp., said, "We at Mazda are committed to the safety of our customers, and recognize the value of the airbag as an effective supplement to the three-point seat belt. We have put our maximum effort into widening the range of models which feature airbags. These important safety devices will be standard equipment for both driver and front seat passenger on all of our passenger cars in the U.S. by the 1994 model year."

The company announced that it would make front seat passenger airbags standard on some U.S. models beginning in the 1992 model year. Currently, the company offers a driver's side airbag on U.S. models of the RX-7 Convertible and the MX-5 Miata sports car.

Mazda also announced that it was studying the feasibility of adding airbags to its line of trucks and multi-purpose passenger vehicles, but that no final decision had been reached.

In a related announcement, the company said that it would begin equipping certain models in Japan with driver's side airbags in 1991.

CONTACT: Fred Aikins of Mazda Motor Corp., 800-248-0459, or in Calif., 800-346-2286

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#90330p8327 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $2.25/bbl was effective today at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$30.75 for West Texas Intermediate $28.75 for West Texas Sour $31.25 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E71. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440; or Bonnie Chaikind, 415-894-1200, both of Chevron U.S.A.

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#90330p8332 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
BURBANK, CALIF., (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of The Walt Disney Co. (NYSE: DIS) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 14.5 cents per share. The dividend is payable Feb. 20, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 18, 1991.

CONTACT: Erwin Okun, Sr. VP, The Walt Disney Co., 818 560-5400

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#90330p9660 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Communications Satellite Corporation's Intelsat Satellite Services (ISS) business unit this week said it will begin providing international private-line communication service in support of President Bush's travels throughout Europe, the Middle East, and South America.

COMSAT is providing a total of one hundred twenty-three 64 Kilobits per second (Kbps) equivalent channels of its private-line communications service, known as International Business Service (IBS) to satisfy government and commercial communications requirements during the presidential tour, according to Betty Alewine, vice-president and general manager of COMSAT's ISS business.

Alewine said that COMSAT's ISS business unit is providing point-to- point, duplex service for use by the White House staff and press corps, and for coordination services between CBS and ABC network television field operations traveling with the president and the networks' New York headquarters from now through Dec. 8.

COMSAT's private-line service offers users the flexibility to operate international communication networks using small and transportable earth stations for telephone, data, and video requirements. It does not, however, connect with the public switched telephone network.

COMSAT Corporation (NYSE: CQ) is a publicly traded company based in Washington. Its Intelsat Satellite Services business unit provides satellite capacity and communications services used to transmit television, voice and data communications between the United States and overseas points. COMSAT also is the U.S. participant within INTELSAT, a Washington-based consortium of 119 countries that manages and operates the global communications satellite system.

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#90330p9666 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
SHREVEPORT, LA. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Solo Petroleum Inc. (SOLO) announced

the pending acquisition of the Emerald Isle copper mine from Arimetco International Inc. of Tucson, Ariz.

Arimetco is a Toronto Stock Exchange-listed company which owns and operates several significant copper mines.

The Emerald Isle Mine is located northwest of Kingman, Ariz., in a district which contains several currently operating or previously operating mines. The property consists of seven unpatented lode claims and 15 millsites on approximately 200 acres. The mine previously had been purchased from the mining subsidiary of El Paso Natural Gas. There are no royalties or any other residual interests to any third parties. The property is completely permitted for heap or in situ leaching and Solvent Extraction/Electrowinning (SXEW) processing. Previous mining produced some 22,400,000 pounds of copper from some 1,400,000 tons of mined ore. The property contains over 26,700,000 pounds of proven recoverable copper within a currently defined "global resource" of 6,384,000 tons at 0.42 percent copper with a 0.2 percent cut-off. Additional reserve potential exists on the property.

SOLO will acquire a 100 percent interest in Emerald Isle from Arimetco for a cost of US $3,750,000, including the cost of plant construction and start-up, under the following terms:

-- SOLO will pay US $100,000 by Nov. 29 for a firm and irrevocable option to purchase the property, including the existing permits, and certain water rights currently owned by Arimetco;

-- SOLO will pay US $2,000,000 within 120 days from the date of the option payment;

-- Arimetco will finance the balance of US $1,750,000 at 13 percent interest amortized over a three-year period in equal monthly installments until the debt is retired with payments commencing once the project is in production;

-- The plant that Arimetco will construct, staff and commission is an SXEW plant capable of producing 8,000 pounds of copper per day.

A new board of directors will be appointed for the company immediately and it will include the following persons: H.R. Shipes, president of Arimetco International Inc.; E.A. Schiller, Ph.D., P.Geol., consulting geologist; Frank C. Mashburn, chairman and CEO, Louisiana Mining Corp.; and D. Douglas Gillies, president, Skyline Resources Ltd. Gillies will serve as interim president of the company.

SOLO also announced it is cancelling all plans to acquire American Medical Aviation Inc. and Phrobis International Inc. that were announced previously.

Solo Petroleum is traded on the Alberta Stock Exchange. The Alberta Stock

Exchange has neither approved or disapproved the information contained herein.

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#90330p9672 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - If the classic 1960s film "The Graduate" were being remade today, a middle-aged man would approach the Dustin Hoffman character and whisper in his ear, "Micro-cellular plastics."

A method for creating microcellular plastic, a new, lighter-weight plastic infused with billions of microscopic bubbles that has wide industrial applications, was announced today at the winter annual meeting of American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Vipin Kumar, assistant professor of mechanical engineering at the University of Washington (UW), said applications for the material range from aviation and automobile parts to toys. Microcellular plastic, made out of a commonly used plastic called polycarbonate, retains most of the strength of the original material and may be less breakable because it is a foam. The new material is somewhat like styrofoam used in coffee cups, but its bubbles are 10-20 times smaller than those in styrofoam. A one-square inch piece of microcellular plastic that is one-tenth of an inch thick contains approximately five billion bubbles.

"It is only a matter of time until we will see solid plastics replaced by microcellular plastics simply on the basis of reduced weight and the amount of material used," said Kumar, whose research is being funded by the National Science Foundation and the Washington Technology Centers.

Depending on the size and number of bubbles created, microcellular plastic can be made with 10 to 90 percent of the density of the original material. Kumar is most interested in plastic foams that have a 30-40 percent reduction in density because they act and behave similarly to the solid plastic.

The UW researcher created his microcellular plastic by saturating sheets of polycarbonate with carbon dioxide under high pressure. After the saturated plastic is returned to normal pressure, it is heated until it softens and the gas foams or bubbles up, creating billions of tiny bubbles 5-10 micrometers in size. Kumar's method represents a significant enhancement to the original microcellular process invented by Nam P. Suh, professor of mechanical engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

CONTACT: Vipin Kumar of the University of Washington, 214-761-7500 (in Dallas Nov. 25 through Nov. 27), or 206-543-5535 (office at the University of Washington)

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#90330p9677 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Two insurance providers and two information technology companies have joined forces to develop computerized technology that will improve the speed and efficiency of underwriting and rating risks in the property/casualty industry, while reducing costs.

Two subsidiaries of Insurance Services Office, Inc. -- ISO Commercial Risk Services, Inc. (CRS), and ISO Telecommunications, Inc. (ISOTEL) -- have signed a letter of intent with EDS Corp. and Datamap Inc. to develop the new underwriting system that combines high speed telecommunications with computerized hazard and classification information on individual risks.

The Geographic Underwriting System, or GUS(TM) will be jointly developed, tested and marketed over the next 14 months. GUS is an underwriting and rating tool that can instantaneously provide users with hazard and classification information about specific risks.

With GUS, insurance company underwriters can obtain important data to evaluate a specific property merely by entering its address into a computer.

GUS will give underwriters specific property information on-line through ISOTEL. GUS will provide a host of information about the property, including frequency of crime in the area, wind damage, and the site's proximity to fire hydrants and sink-holes.

"Insurance underwriters will benefit from GUS by getting information in seconds that respond to their inquiries," said B. Joseph Shelley, president of CRS. "GUS will eliminate the need to maintain thousands of awkward reference maps and other materials used to address geographic exposures to risk."

Dominick R. Cortellessa, president of ISOTEL, stressed the value of having a single source for instantaneous underwriting information. "Instead of tying up valuable and expensive time researching multiple sources to get essential information, underwriters will be able to access essential individual-risk information through a single source easily and quickly on-line through the ISOTEL network. Those without access to a terminal can call a toll-free 800 number.

EDS has operations in 28 countries, employs 60,000 worldwide and is the leader in providing information technology services. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

Datamap, Inc., based in Eden Prairie, Minn., specializes in Digital Geographic Databases, mapping services and related application software.

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#90330p9680 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HONG KONG (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Waste Management International, Inc., today announced that its Enviropace Ltd. unit has been awarded a 17-year contract by the government of Hong Kong to design, construct, maintain and operate a comprehensive chemical waste treatment facility here.

The value of the construction contract is estimated by the company to be $125 million. The Hong Kong government estimates the facility's operating revenues will be at least $420 million over the life of the operating contract.

"This project represents a significant technical and financial investment in the future of Hong Kong by Waste Management and its consortium members," said Edwin G. Falkman, president of Waste Management International. "Our agreement goes beyond the year 2000 and demonstrates our commitment to improving the quality of Hong Kong's environment."

Construction of the facility is expected to begin in the second quarter of 1991 and be completed in early 1993. Waste Management International will operate the facility for the 15 years following its construction.

The facility will incorporate state-of-the-art technologies designed to treat all of the chemical waste generated among Hong Kong's industries. These technologies will include incineration; wastewater treatment, including a unique system to treat wastewaters containing both organic wastes and heavy metals; a high-performance chemical fixation/stabilization process; and a series of chemical and biological treatment processes.

In addition to Waste Management International, equity in Enviropace Ltd. is held by China International Trust & Investment Corporation Hong Kong (Holdings) Ltd. and Kin Ching Besser Ltd.

Waste Management International, Inc., is a subsidiary of Waste Management, Inc. (NYSE: WMX), the world's leading environmental services company. Based in Oak Brook, Ill., the company operates through more than 500 subsidiaries and divisions throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, South America, New Zealand and Australia.

CONTACT: William J. Plunkett of Waste Management, 708-572-8898

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BENSALEM, PA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - David Wachs, chairman and chief executive officer of Charming Shoppes Inc. (NASDAQ: CHRS), the retail women's apparel chain, today reported its earnings and sales for the third quarter and

for the nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990.

For the three months ended Nov. 3, 1990, earnings increased 21 percent to $8,584,000 or $.17 per share, vs. earnings of $7,105,000 or $.14 per share for the corresponding period in 1989. Third quarter sales were $218,396,000 in 1990 as against sales of $192,542,000 in 1989, a 13 percent increase.

For the nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990, earnings were $25,812,000 or $.51 per share, vs. earnings of $25,753,000 or $.51 per share for the corresponding nine months of 1989. Sales for the nine-month period increased to $629,127,000 in 1990 from $565,917,000 in 1989, an 11 percent increase.

During the period February through October, the company opened 80 new stores, bringing the total number of operating stores to 1,046 at the end of the third quarter. In total, the company said it expects to open 115 stores this year, bringing the projected number of units operating at year end to 1,060.

CHARMING SHOPPES INC.
(In thousands, except shares and per-share amounts)

	Third quarter Fiscal 1991			Third quarter Fiscal 1990	
	Pct. Increase		Pct. of Sales		Pct. of Sales
Earnings per share	--	$.17	--	$.14	--
Sales	13.4	$218,396	100.0	$192,542	100.0
Other income	15.0	1,693	.8	1,472	.8
Total	13.4	220,089	100.8	194,014	100.8
C/G/S, buying & occupancy	12.8	154,458	70.8	136,976	71.2
Selling & administrative	13.2	52,168	23.9	46,078	23.9
Interest expense	(16.1)	651	.3	776	.4
Expenses	12.8	207,277	95.0	183,830	95.5
Pretax profit	25.8	12,812	5.8	10,184	5.3
Less income taxes	37.3	4,228	1.9	3,079	1.6
Net income	20.8	8,584	3.9	7,105	3.7
Average shares	--	50,840,484	--	50,855,374	--

	Nine Months Fiscal 1991			Nine Months Fiscal 1990	
	Pct. Increase		Pct. of Sales		Pct. of Sales
Earnings per share	--	$.51	--	$.51	--
Sales	11.2	$629,127	100.0	$565,917	100.0
Other income	(16.2)	4,745	.8	5,659	1.0
Total	10.9	633,872	100.8	571,576	101.0
C/G/S, buying & occupancy	11.1	445,454	70.8	400,862	70.8

Selling & administrative	13.4	147,624	23.5	130,210	23.0
Interest expense	(0.4)	2,268	.4	2,278	.4
Expenses	11.6	595,346	94.7	533,350	94.2
Pretax profit	.8	38,526	6.1	38,226	6.8
Less income taxes	1.9	12,714	2.0	12,473	2.2
Net income	.2	25,812	4.1	25,753	4.6
Average shares	--	50,964,302	--	50,862,708	--

CONTACT: Bernard Brodsky, vp and treasurer of Charming Shoppes, 215-638-6719

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VAN NUYS, CA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Valley Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ: VFEDC) has named David L. Hardin Jr. as senior vice president, manager of branch operations.

Prior to joining Valley Federal, he was senior vice president and director of retail operations for Columbia Savings. He previously served as vice president and Southern region manager for World Savings and as director of cash management for Levingston Industries in Texas. He also held positions with Compugraphic Corp. and Xerox Corp.

Hardin holds a bachelor of arts degree in business management from California State University at Fullerton.

Valley Federal, with assets of approximately $2.7 billion, is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol VFEDC. Valley Federal's deposits are insured by the FDIC and are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government.

CONTACT: Craig A. Parsons or Kim P. Feazle of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Valley Federal Savings and Loan Association.

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#90330p9694 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, ID (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Boise Cascade Corp. (NYSE: BCC) announced today that it expects results for the fourth quarter of 1990 to be close to break-even, compared with the 27 cents per share (fully diluted) that the company reported in the third quarter of 1990.

Among the factors contributing to the expected fourth-quarter results are: weakening market conditions for coated white papers, market pulp, and corrugated containers; continued costs associated with major expansion and modernization projects at company pulp and paper mills in Rumford, Maine, and International Falls, Minn.; and an increase in interest expense, compared with

that of the third quarter of this year.

In addition, the company's building products segment has been operating at a loss during the fourth quarter as a result of high Northwest wood costs, sluggish demand, and weak prices for wood products. The performance of the company's office products business should be relatively unchanged from that of the third quarter.

Boise Cascade Corp. is an integrated forest products company headquartered in Boise, with operations located primarily in the United States and Canada. The company manufactures and distributes paper and paper products, office products and building products and owns and manages timberland to support these operations.

CONTACT: Scott Lamb of Boise Cascade Corp., (208) 384-7675, or after hours, (208) 343-8380.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - An advanced system for diagnostic image and information management was introduced here today by Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) and Vortech Data, Inc.

The Kodak Ektascan Imagelink system captures images from computed tomography (CT), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and other modalities within a hospital, and sends them electronically down the hall, across town or across the country. This results in better coordination of information, better decision making, improved referring physician relations, reduced administrative loss and reduced patient stays. The system uses laser scanning to acquire the images from film radiographs.

Major benefits include the security and vast storage capacity of optical archiving, and the capability for rapid distribution of quality images between central viewing facilities, decentralized workstations, and off-site locations such as clinics and physicians' offices.

Cost-control provided by the system's modularity is another important benefit. The system allows a customer to begin with a relatively modest investment and add capability as dictated by need and budgetary constraints.

The Kodak Ektascan Imagelink system, the result of a strategic alliance between Kodak and Vortech, is being shown at the annual meeting of the Radiological Society of North America at McCormick Place through Nov. 30.

Images can be stored and retrieved with advanced optical-disk archiving, and manipulated to suit viewing requirements and preferences. They can be displayed with personal computers, high-resolution screens or distributed to

3-D workstations. They can be recorded with full fidelity on film using laser printing, and reproduced on paper with high-quality thermal printing.

The Kodak Ektascan Imagelink system will be marketed jointly by Kodak and Vortech, and fully backed by Kodak worldwide service and support programs. The system is available today.

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DEERFIELD BEACH, FL. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - CheckRobot Inc. (NASDAQ: CKRB) announced today that it has received an order to install six Automated Checkout Machines (ACM)(R) in the Navy commissary at Imperial Beach, Calif. This order represents the third Navy commissary to be equipped with ACM systems.

The Imperial Beach installation follows installations in Navy commissaries at Pensacola, Fla. and Norfolk, Va. "We are extremely pleased by the Navy's third order," said A.W. Vitale, CheckRobot's chairman of the board. "The Navy has been an ongoing supporter of automated checkout and CheckRobot." The Imperial Beach installation will be CheckRobot's first commissary installation on the West Coast.

CheckRobot markets and manufactures Automated Checkout Machines for supermarkets. The system is designed to enhance customer service and increase front-end productivity for the supermarket industry. Using enhanced laser bar code scanners and a proprietary merchandise security system, the ACM allows shoppers to scan and checkout merchandise before paying centrally located cashiers.

CONTACT: Richard W. Honerkamp, vice president and chief financial officer of CheckRobot Inc., 305-426-1600

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DEERFIELD BEACH, Fla. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - CheckRobot Inc. (NASDAQ: CKRB) announced today that it has received an order to install six Automated Checkout Machines (ACM)(R) in the Navy commissary at Imperial Beach, Calif. This order represents the third Navy commissary to be equipped with ACM systems.

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UNIVERSAL CITY, CA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Lew R. Wasserman, chairman of the board of MCA Inc. (NYSE: MCA), announced that the board of directors at a meeting held Nov. 25, 1990, declared a cash dividend of $.17 per share on the MCA Inc. outstanding common stock, and a cash dividend of $1.70 per share on the MCA Inc. outstanding Series B Participating Convertible Preferred Stock

Both dividends are payable on January 14, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business December 26, 1990.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - According to a nationwide telephone survey of 1,205 men and women aged 18 and over, the Gallup organization estimates that the 1990 Great American Smokeout results were as follows:

-- 37.8 percent of the nation's 50 million smokers participated in the Smokeout. The total number is 18.9 million.

-- 14.9 percent of the nation's smokers were able to stay off cigarettes for 24 hours, totalling 7.4 million.

-- 4.9 million were still not smoking 1-3 days later.

-- Of those surveyed, 81 percent had heard of the Smokeout.

The Smokeout had an even greater effect on minority smokers (blacks and Hispanics) than on the general smoker population. Twenty-five percent of minority smokers, compared with 14 percent of white smokers, managed to get through the day of the Smokeout without lighting up.

"This year's advertising and promotion efforts for the Smokeout reached out more aggressively to minority smokers who are especially targeted by tobacco companies -- and our efforts paid off," said Gerald Dodd, M.D., national president of the American Cancer Society. "We are also gratified by the overall results which show that -- even after 14 years of sponsoring the Smokeout -- the level of participation is stronger than ever. Although we only asked people to quit for a day, 4.9 million people were still smoke-free 1-3 days after the Smokeout -- a jump of one million people over last year. The public is getting the dual message that smoking is not only harmful to their health but also socially unacceptable. We congratulate all those who participated in the Smokeout and urge all smokers to give up this addictive habit."

CONTACT: Joann Schellenbach of the American Cancer Society, 212-382-2169

-30- 1945

#90330p9702 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PAMPA, TEXAS (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Service Fracturing Co. (NASDAQ: SERF) announced today that it has signed a definitive agreement to acquire the assets of Service Acid, Inc. of Hays, Kansas for approximately $2.2 million.

Jerry H. Guinn, Serfco president, said that closing of the purchase is expected to occur on or prior to Nov. 30, 1990.

Service Acid, Inc. is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ruder who will retire from the business. The company has operating districts in Great Bend and Colby, Kan. as well as at Hays. It operates only as a firm to stimulate oil and gas well production by acid treatments.

Service Fracturing, on the other hand, provides acidizing, hydraulic fracturing, pumping and chemical cleanup treatments for both newly drilled and existing oil and gas wells.

Guinn said Serfco intends to add its services other than acidizing in Service Acid's districts at Great Bend, Colby and Hays. He pointed out that the acquisition will fill its service to oil and gas fields in central and northwest Kansas. Serfco currently has operating districts at Liberal and Pratt, Kan. and Fort Morgan, Colo.

CONTACT: Jerry H. Guinn, president of Service Fracturing, 806-665-7221; or Win Fournier of Fournier Public Relations, 214-748-6044, for Service Fracturing

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Siemens Nixdorf Information Systems,

Inc., today announced a major upgrade of its XBUILD tool for building OSF/Motif graphical user interfaces, incorporating new features that let users customize and extend the tool for more productive development of graphically-oriented software applications.

The company also announced today that it will offer a trial version of the product, which will allow users to test XBUILD's features by building limited-size interfaces before they buy the product.

First introduced in July 1990, XBUILD is an open user interface development tool (UIDT) for painlessly developing, testing, and perfecting production-ready graphical user interfaces based on the OSF/Motif standard from the Open Software Foundation.

A major advantage of XBUILD-generated interfaces is that they can run on any computer hardware platform without any special additional software or "runtime" license fees.

Based on an intelligent object library and easy-to-use editor, XBUILD dramatically reduces the cost and complexity of developing UNIX applications that use the OSF/Motif standard, the company said.

"Motif eliminates the awkward user interface that's been an obstacle to more widespread adoption of UNIX. XBUILD takes it a step further by allowing software developers and end-user organizations to more rapidly develop Motif interfaces," said John Paul, executive vice president of research and development for Siemens Nixdorf Information Systems. "With Release 1.1, we've made XBUILD more powerful and flexible, to match customers' aggressive plans for Motif applications."

"As more and more organizations commit to Motif as a GUI standard, we predict that XBUILD will become the standard user interface development tool for Motif " said Paul.

Graphical user interfaces let users work with computers by activating pictures and other graphical elements on their computer screens, instead of typing in complex text commands on a keyboard.

Because they make computers much easier to learn and use, graphical user interfaces are increasingly a requirement for successful applications software. At the same time, graphical user interfaces can account for as much as 60 percent of the "code" in a typical interactive software application, requiring a large amount of programmer resources.

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#90330p9705 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Microprocessor and Memory Technologies Group of Motorola Inc. (NYSE: MOT) today announced initial volume shipments of the production version of its 68040 (040) microprocessor.

"The 68000 family has inspired revolutionary products like the Apple Macintosh Hewlett-Packard's laser printer and the NeXT Computer," said Murray A. Goldman, senior vice president and general manager of Motorola's Microprocessor and Memory Technologies Group. "With the 040's breakthrough increases in performance and functionality, it will continue to spark a revolution of its own."

More than 100 companies have sampled early versions of the 040. A total of 36 computer system and board manufacturers, including Apple, Hewlett-Packard/Apollo, NCR, NeXT, and Unisys have announced their intention to use the microprocessor to power their future products.

The 68040 embodies a complete redesign of the 68000 family architecture, helping it deliver from three to ten times the performance of the 68030, while remaining 100 percent software compatible with all other 68000 family members.

Executing 20 million instructions per second (MIPS) and 3.5 million floating-point operations per second (MFLOPS) at 25 MHz, the 040 has the highest throughput of any available mainstream microprocessor, performing up to 14 operations simultaneously. It outperforms both complex- and reduced-instruction-set computing (CISC and RISC) microprocessors like the Intel 80486 and Sun Microsystems' SPARC.

The 68040 is the most advanced single-chip microprocessor ever built. It has 1.2 million transistors, almost four times the number in the 68030. Fabricated with Motorola's 0.8-micron high-performance complementary metal-oxide semiconductor (HCMOS) process, the 040 integrates an integer unit, a floating-point unit, two memory-management units, and two 4-kilobyte cache memories - one for data and one for instructions.

The 040's integer unit can process as many as six separate instructions simultaneously because of its high degree of pipelining - parallel processing at the chip level. The 040 is the first CISC microprocessor that uses on-chip hardware to calculate addresses of data to be read from or written to memory, as well as to prefetch, decode and execute instructions.

Following RISC tenets, instructions and addressing modes used most frequently have been microcoded, with the result that the average 68040 instruction executes in just 1.3 clock cycles, compared to 3.4 cycles for the 68030.

CONTACT: Maura FitzGerald of Cunningham Communication, (617) 494-8202, for

Motorola; or Dean Mosley of Motorola, (512) 891-2839.

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#90330p9710 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHANTILLY, VA. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Fairchild Corporation (NYSE: FA) announced today that the company has completed the sale of its waste water treatment operations, Envirex Inc. and General Filter Company. Fairchild previously announced on Oct. 31, 1990, the proposed sale of the two operations to North West Water Group PLC, for approximately $75 million in cash, plus reimbursement for current taxes and interest on intercompany debt.

The Fairchild Corporation is a leading supplier of aerospace and industrial products and communications services.

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#90330p9714 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELVILLE, NY (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Genovese Drug Stores, Inc. (AMEX: GDXA), a chain of 95 super drug stores with locations in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, today announced sales and net income for its third quarter (12 weeks) and 40 weeks ended Nov. 9, 1990.

Sales for the quarter increased by 3.6 percent to $93,461,000. Sales for the 40 weeks were $318,905,000, an 8.2 percent increase over the corresponding period a year ago. The sales results for both the third quarter and 40 weeks set new records for the company.

Net income for the quarter was $983,000 or $.15 per share, a 64.1 percent increase over the $599,000 or $.09 per share a year ago. The current quarter's net income reflects record results. For the 40 weeks, net income of $2,832,000 or $.42 per share reflected an increase of 33.9 percent over the $2,115,000 or $.32 per share a year ago.

During the current fiscal year, two new stores were opened, three were sold or closed, two stores were enlarged and 24 were refurbished.

GENOVESE DRUG STORES, INC.

Third quarter ended	11/9/90	11/10/89
Sales	$ 93,461,000	$ 90,217,000
Net income	$ 983,000	$ 599,000
Net income per common share	$.15	$.09
Average number of common shares outstanding	6,690,000	6,695,000

40 weeks ended	11/9/90	11/10/89
Sales	$318,905,000	$294,688,000
Net income	$ 2,832,000(A)	$ 2,115,000
Net income per common share	$.42(A)	$.32
Average number of common shares outstanding	6,707,000	6,691,000

(A) -- Includes $238,000 or $.04 per common share from a gain on the sale of two stores.

CONTACT: Jerome Stengel, vice president and treasurer of Genovese Drug Stores 516-420-1900

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#90330p9715 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Working with AT&T Network Systems, Rochester Tel has become the first telephone company in the country to test a prototype residential application of Integrated Services Digital Networks (ISDN). ISDN allows for the simultaneous transmission of voice with data or video communications over one telephone line.

As part of the trial, 35 Rochester homes will be equipped with ISDN and an AT&T home network controller. This device will allow the standard ISDN line to be used with existing customer analog devices while still providing the full range of ISDN services. Customers will not have to incur the expense of changing their telephones to be compatible with ISDN technology.

The controller will provide homes an affordable way to convert a single line into multi-line service with multiple directory numbers. One number could be for the family, one for children and one for business use. Through distinctive ringing, everyone will know who is being called. This will allow two totally separate voice conversations and data connection over one wire coming into the home.

In addition, for the first time ever, trial participants will be using PRODIGY(R) services through its ISDN link. PRODIGY(R) is an inter-active personal computer service designed through a joint venture of Sears and IBM. With PRODIGY(R), users can bank and shop from home, view news, weather and sports information, book and movie reviews, play games, order airline tickets and do much more.

The trial begins this month and will continue for the next four months. Employees of Rochester Tel and three other Rochester area companies are participating; selection was based on the serving central office and other technical criteria.

The results of the research will help AT&T determine whether it will continue

development of this product for commercial distribution and, if so, the eventual configuration of the product.

Rochester Tel will have an indication of the local potential for the product as well as some direction for targeting its marketing effort. It will also give Rochester Tel hands-on experience with ISDN in the residential market and with the deployment of ISDN in general.

CONTACT: Carol Schuhart, project manager of Rochester Tel, (716) 777-7337, or Rich Meyer, media relations of AT&T Network Systems, (201) 606-2453.

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#90330p9716 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MADRID, SPAIN (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - ENDESA (NYSE: ELE), the major electric utility in Spain, announced today that its board of directors has approved the declaration of an interim dividend of 52.65 pesetas per share (currently approximately $0.56 per ADR) to shareholders and ADR holders of record Dec. 17.

This amount represents an 8 percent increase over the interim dividend declared last year.

In accordance with Spanish legislation, taxes will be withheld on the dividend. Translation from pesetas to U.S. dollars will be made at the prevailing exchange rate on the record date. One ADR is equivalent to one common share of ENDESA stock. ADR holders of record Dec. 17 will be paid Jan. 9.

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#90330p9717 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Midway Airlines Inc. (NYSE: MDW) today announced that it has agreed with the United States Department of Justice that it will not consummate the sale of its Philadelphia hub assets to USAir prior to Dec. 1, and if requested by the department such delay may be extended for an additional period of up to 20 days in order to allow the justice department further time to complete its investigation of the transaction.

According to David B. Armstrong, senior vice president of corporate affairs and general counsel, Midway will continue to cooperate fully with the justice department.

Midway Airlines offers coast-to-coast service from its hubs at Chicago's close-in Midway Airport and Philadelphia International Airport. Midway Airlines and its wholly owned subsidiary, the Midway Commuter, serve 60 destinations in the United States, Canada, U.S. Virgin Islands, and the

Bahamas.

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#90330p9718 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Nissan Motor Co., Ltd., Tokyo, today announced its plans to offer a driver-side airbag in most of its U.S. passenger car models by 1992. All Nissan and Infiniti passenger cars sold in the U.S. market will be equipped with a driver-side airbag system by 1993. Several Nissan and Infiniti models are already available with a driver-side airbag as a supplementary restraint system in addition to seat belts.

Nissan first offered an optional driver-side airbag in the Pulsar NX model in January 1989, and the Infiniti Q45 and M30 models that were released in the autumn of last year come with a driver-side airbag as standard equipment. Nissan has since expanded its airbag application to the driver-side of the 1991 300ZX model that was introduced in the U.S. market this fall.

Nissan is scheduled to start offering passenger-side airbags at the beginning of 1992 and will steadily expand their availability to all Infiniti model line and nearly all Nissan passenger cars by 1994. Meanwhile, Nissan commercial vehicles will be provided with driver-side and passenger-side airbag systems by mid-1990s.

In parallel with the airbag installation programs, Nissan will continue its vigorous R & D program to develop new and improved technologies to enhance occupant safety.

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#90330p9721 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Hitachi, Ltd. (ADRs NYSE: HIT), today announced the development of a general-purpose neural computer with learning circuits that can carry out up to 2.3 billion operations per second - the highest learning performance ever achieved by such a computer.

The new neural computer was unveiled today at "Hitachi Technology 1991," a technology fair taking place through Wednesday at the Marriott Marquis Hotel. The neurocomputers, and other scientific advances by the company that have garnered more U.S. patents that anyone else in the last five years, will be demonstrated through the duration of the event.

Hitachi's neural computer, which includes 1,152 neurons and measures a mere 12 inches high, 8.3 inches wide and nine inches deep, is a major step toward the

realization of a practical hardware-based neural computer.

Hitachi, also has developed stock price prediction and signature verification applications which can be run on a workstation linked with the neural system. A stock price prediction takes ten seconds, while signature verification takes two. Until now., a very large and costly supercomputer - of which there are only about 300 in the world - would have required for such processing.

A neural computer is an information processing system which uses a neural network modeled on the human brain. The Naumann-type computers in common use today can handle problems amenable to numerical, comparative, and other types of logical processing at very high speeds. These systems, however, are dawdlers when it comes to tasks that require intuition, such as optimization and pattern recognition.

On the other hand, the neural computer - like their human brain that it imitates - is poor at numerical calculations, but adept at solving problems that involve optimization.

Another feature that sets the neural computer apart is its ability to learn. Like the human brain, the neural computer can quickly store huge quantities of information and come up with an optimized solution almost instantaneously.

It is generally accepted that a practical neural computer will need a neural network consisting of at least 1,000 interconnected neurons. It is simply not possible to stimulate the dynamic and parallel processing functions of the human brain with a smaller network.

The problem with existing hardware-based neural computers has either been that they had too few neurons, or that the learning speed was unacceptably slow.

In September 1989, Hitachi announced a neural network LSI with 576 interconnected neurons. This was the largest number of interconnected neurons that had ever been integrated. It opened the way, at the LSI level, to the development of hardware with a sufficient number of neurons.

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#90330p9727 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Patrick Petroleum Company (NYSE: PPC) today reported it has purchased for approximately $3.2 million additional interest in the Chacahoula Field, Lafourche Parish, La. Since August of this year, Patrick has paid approximately $5 million for total proved reserves of nearly 732,000 equivalent barrels of oil in this field.

In the recent purchase, Patrick Petroleum acquired interests representing total proved reserves of approximately 360,000 barrels of oil and 418,000 Mcf (thousand cubic feet) of gas, effective Oct. 1, 1990. The acquisition includes two undeveloped locations which will be drilled in 1991.

In a separate transaction, Patrick Petroleum has executed a letter of intent to purchase proved reserves totaling 1,233,000 Mcf and 2,600 barrels of oil located in Terrebonne Parish, La. Upon completion of the Terrebonne Parish acquisition, which is anticipated in December, Patrick will have acquired approximately 940,000 equivalent barrels of oil in 1990, which effectively replaces its estimated production for the year.

Patrick Petroleum Company is an independent exploration and production company listed on the New York Stock Exchange since 1976 (symbol-PPC). The company has interests in producing properties and undeveloped acreage in 13 states, including various interests in approximately 549 oil and gas wells located primarily in Michigan, North Dakota, Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana.

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#90330p9729 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OH (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Duriron Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: DURI) has elected Kevin E. Sheehan as a director of the company, effective Dec. 1, 1990. The 45-year-old native of New Milford, Conn. is presently serving as vice president-Components Group of Cummins Engine Company, Inc., located in Columbus, Ind.

In making the announcement, Duriron's chairman of the board and chief executive officer, John S. Haddick, said, "Mr. Sheehan's expertise in manufacturing operations and technology should be highly beneficial to the company in achieving our Total Quality goals." Over the past several years, Duriron has been moving aggressively into cellular manufacturing and is emphasizing continuous quality improvement throughout its various worldwide production facilities.

A graduate of Williams College (B.A. 1966) and Harvard University (M.B.A. 1971), Sheehan joined Cummins in 1971 as a production line foreman. After serving in a variety of employee relations positions, he became engine plant manager in 1977, vice president-Management Systems in 1980, vice president-Parts in 1983 and vice president-Distribution in 1984. Sheehan has been vice oresident-Components Group since 1986.

Residing in Nashville, Ind., with his wife, Barbara, and two sons, Sheehan has

been active in local mental health programs, religious and social activities.

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#90330p9730 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Alan H. Fishman, 44, will be joining Adler & Shaykin as a managing partner, it was announced today by Leonard P. Shaykin, co-founder of this leading New York-based leveraged buyout firm.

Fishman is president of the Financial Services Group of American International Group, Inc. From 1969 to 1988, Fishman was at The Chemical Bank of New York where he served in numerous executive capacities including chief financial officer and senior executive vice president in charge of equity investments, merchant banking and real estate.

Shaykin said, "As we move into the nineties a premium will be placed on investment professionals with broad experience, maturity and judgment -- traits which Alan has consistently demonstrated throughout his career. We are all delighted that he is joining us as a managing partner of the firm."

Fishman said, "Over the next three years the investment opportunities available to prudent, private, professionally managed capital will be unprecedented. I am excited by the opportunity of working with the other partners of Adler & Shaykin in building the firm and its leveraged investment portfolio."

Fishman graduated from Brown University in 1967 with a B.A. in economics. He received his M.B.A. degree from Columbia University Graduate School of Business in 1969. Fishman resides in Brooklyn Heights, N.Y., with his wife, Judith, and their two children.

CONTACT: Jeffrey Z. Taufield of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Adler & Shaykin

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#90330p9733 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Philip H. Geier, Jr., chairman of the board and chief executive officer of The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. (Interpublic) (NYSE: IPG), announced today that the offer by Interpublic for the whole of the issued share capital of The Lowe Group plc not already owned by Interpublic and its subsidiaries has been declared unconditional in all respects. The offer will remain open until further notice, and at least 14 days' notice will be given prior to the offer being closed.

Geier stated that as of 3 p.m., London time, on Nov. 23, 1990, valid

acceptances had been received in respect of 89.6 percent of the Lowe ordinary shares subject to the offer. He indicated that the management of Interpublic was gratified that almost 50 percent of the shares tendered had been tendered for shares of Interpublic's common stock.

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#90330p9737 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines today announced that Hertz car rental and Holiday Inn hotels will become partners in the airline's WorldPerks free travel program Jan. 1.

Northwest WorldPerks members will earn 500 frequent flier miles toward free tickets on Northwest each time they rent from Hertz or stay at a Holiday Inn in connection with a Northwest flight. Hertz and Holiday Inn also will provide special offers to Northwest WorldPerks members.

Hertz is the world's largest car rental company with 5,000 locations in more than 120 countries and a fleet of 400,000 vehicles. In the United States, Hertz serves more than 1,500 locations, including 500 airports.

"We're proud to be associated with a great airline like Northwest and are looking forward to serving more of its frequent fliers," said Brian Kennedy, Hertz executive vice president, marketing and sales.

Holiday Inn Worldwide is the world's largest hotel chain with nearly 1,600 properties in 51 countries or territories and 316,000 rooms. This is the company's first systemwide affiliation with an airline frequent flier program.

"Our market research shows about 40 percent of the room rentals by business travelers at Holiday Inns involve an airline flight, and 33 percent of our guests rent a car," said Ray Lewis, Holiday Inn Worldwide senior vice president of marketing. "This connection enhances our partnership with Northwest and enables us to build even stronger relationships with our customers."

WorldPerks members receive a free roundtrip ticket after accumulating just 20,000 miles, which can be earned by flying Northwest, using the services of participating car rental companies or hotels, charging with the WorldPerks Visa credit card or calling long distance. Membership in WorldPerks is free.

"We want to provide the highest possible level of opportunity for our frequent fliers to earn extra mileage, and having Hertz and Holiday Inn as members will allow us to accomplish that," said John Temple, Northwest vice president of marketing programs.

Northwest is America's fourth largest airline, and along with its Northwest Airlink partners serves more than 200 cities in North America, Europe and Asia.

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#90330p9742 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Princeton Diagnostic Laboratories of America, Inc. ("PDLA") (AMEX: PDA), today announced that Susie Lucas McClellan has been appointed vice president of sales and marketing.

Carlton Turner, PDLA's president and CEO, stated, "Ms. McClellan's extensive technical knowledge, sales track record and strong management skills are exactly what we need to ensure growth while maintaining our personalized client service and attention."

McClennan joined the Syva Co. in 1981 as a technical sales representative in the drug abuse marketplace for criminal justice and drug treatment programs. She then became one member of the two-person sales and marketing start-up team and played a role in the rapid growth and record sales at CompuChem Laboratories.

Since April of 1988, Ms. McClellan has played a key role in PDLA's growth and has been promoted from a sales representative to national sales manager/director of sales before being promoted to vice president of sales and marketing.

Ms. McClellan's responsibilities will also include the National Consortium for a Drug Free Workplace (NCDFW), a PDLA subsidiary which complements PDLA's NIDA-certified lab with a complete service package including collection services, medical review officer and training.

PDLA is a specialized laboratory providing a full range of biomedical testing services to psychiatric hospitals, clinics and private physicians.

PDLA's certified laboratory is authorized to provide drug testing services to government agencies and businesses regulated by the U.S. Department of Transportation, contractors for the Department of Defense and other industries subject to federal drug testing guidelines.

PDLA's diagnostic drug tests utilize a forensic approach and are used as pre-employment drug screenings by businesses involved in transportation, oil and chemical, nuclear power, finance, security, general manufacturing, media and sports.

CONTACT: Carla Kruck of Princeton Diagnostic Laboratories of America, (201)

769-2430.

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#90330p9744 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
MELBOURNE, FLA. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Army has awarded Harris Corporation's Government Electronic Systems Division (GESD) a contract valued at $11 million to produce portable tactical communications systems. The Army may also select options increasing the contract value to $59 million.

The two-year contract was awarded by the U.S. Army's Communications-Electronics Command at Fort Monmouth, N.J.

Harris GESD will integrate, test, and deliver the Digital Group Multiplexer Antenna Mast Program (DAMP) systems. The systems will be used in forward communications outposts and include an antenna positioner and a graphite mast adjustable from three to 30 meters in height. The mast can be manually erected in one hour and then easily stowed for transportation to another location.

Harris will deliver 200 mast assemblies and 75 transport pallet assemblies. Under the contract, the Army has the option of ordering up to 1,800 additional masts and 900 transport assemblies.

As prime contractor, Harris will integrate the DAMP systems and design and build the pallet assemblies, which support and protect the ancillary equipment masts, and positioners while they are being stowed and transported.

Government Electronic Systems Division is part of Harris' Electronic Systems Sector, which conducts advanced research studies, develops prototypes and produces a broad range of state-of-the-art systems for government agencies and commercial organizations in the U.S. and overseas.

Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS), with worldwide sales of more than $3 billion, is focused on four major businesses: Electronic systems, communications, semiconductors and office equipment.

CONTACT: Jim Burke of Harris Corporation, at 407-727-9126

-30- 1956
#90330p9747 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CALIF. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Newport Corp. (NASDAQ: NEWP) today reported sales for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, totaled $14,863,000, an 8 percent increase over the $13,802,000 reported for the previous year.

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"Other income," Galantowicz said, "declined from the prior year level because of unanticipated losses in our marketable securities portfolio related to the sharp drop in the equities markets."

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Newport Corp. is the leading worldwide manufacturer and marketer of precision laboratory equipment for scientists and engineers who develop and apply technology involving lasers and optics. Customers include Fortune 500 corporations, national research laboratories, government and educational institutions.

NEWPORT CORP.
Consolidated Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)
(Amounts in thousands, except per share)

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Net income	540	1,147	(53)
Earnings per share	$0.08	$0.14	(43)
Weighted average and equivalent shares	7,142	8,343	(14)

CONTACT: Robert C. Hewitt, Sr. VP-Finance, Newport Corp., 714-965-5405

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#90330p9748 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
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#90330p9752 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Two new flavors and a reduction in the amount needed per dose are among the features of the new Concentrated Phillips' Milk of Magnesia. Concentrated "MOM" began shipping to the trade in August, and is the subject of a major marketing effort, which began in October.

Phillips', a product of Glenbrook Laboratories, the domestic over- the-counter (OTC) medicines division of Sterling Drug Inc., is a leader in the OTC laxative market. This market was estimated at $725 million in 1989.

The amount needed for each dose of Phillips' has also been modified. Instead of two to four tablespoons of the original, the Concentrated Phillips' dosage is one to two tablespoons. The dosage cup has been downsized to reflect this change.

As part of a coordinated marketing effort, Glenbrook will mail 2- ounce samples of Concentrated Phillips' and coupons to users. "We are confident that once users try the new Phillips' with its new flavors, improved taste and reduced amount per dose, they will realize it tastes as good as it works," Gaccione added. Extensive television advertising and couponing, as well as a targeted physicians campaign, are also planned to promote Concentrated Phillips'.

Customer driven Glenbrook Laboratories has introduced a number of product enhancements this year, including BAYER Plus, aspirin plus Stomach Guard, and Stri-Dex Dual Textured Acne Pads. Glenbrook also introduced Dairy Ease, a natural nutritional supplement that is designed to help consumers nutritionally manage lactose intolerance and enjoy dairy foods without discomfort. (Other Glenbrook products include Midol pain relievers, Campho-Phenique antiseptics and Neo-Synephrine decongestants.)

Sterling Drug Inc. is a worldwide producer and marketer of pharmaceutical and consumer health products. Guided by its Strategic Framework management process and Values in Action, Sterling, its companies and employees are a worldwide team committed to creating distinctive solutions for the needs of mankind in pharmaceutical and consumer health products.

CONTACT: Charles M. Mayr of Sterling Drug, 212-907-3336

-30- 2345
#90330p9753 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - A significant expansion of the business alliance between Navistar International Transportation Corp., the principal operating subsidiary of Navistar International Corp. (NYSE: NAV), and DINA Camiones, a major Mexican truck manufacturer, was announced today by the two companies.

Navistar disclosed it has increased from 5 percent to 17 percent its common stock equity investment in DINA. Second, the two companies have signed an engine supply agreement. The agreement provides that the International DT 466 family of mid-range diesel engines, produced by Navistar, will become the standard power plant for DINA medium trucks beginning in the Spring of 1991. Financial details were not disclosed.

DINA Camiones is a private corporation, and a unit of Consorcio "G," created in 1989 following the denationalization by the Mexican government of key segments of the automotive industry. Navistar, which made its initial investment in DINA Camiones in 1987, had been a supplier for more than 20 years to Diesel Nacional, the former government controlled parent company of the medium and heavy truck manufacturer.

Depending on market conditions in Mexico, the engine supply agreement is expected to add 3-5,000 engines annually to the production schedule at Navistar's Melrose Park, Ill., engine plant. Engines will be shipped from Melrose Park to DINA's truck assembly plant in Sahagun, Mexico.

Today's announcement further strengthens a long-term agreement which the two companies signed in November 1989. Under that agreement, Navistar is providing technical support and counsel to enable DINA to incorporate the aerodynamic and engineering features of selected current models of International brand medium and heavy trucks that are appropriate for the Mexican market.

In addition to the engine supply agreement, truck cab components for DINA trucks are being fabricated at Navistar's Springfield, Ohio Body Plant for export to Mexico. The majority of the other components for the medium and heavy DINA trucks are sourced in Mexico by DINA.

Navistar is the leading manufacturer of medium and heavy trucks in North America and the worldwide leader in the production of mid-range diesel engines.

CONTACT: Bill Greenhill of Navistar, 312-836-3084 or home 708-852-2781

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#90330p9755 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Two American economists were honored today by Volvo, the Swedish car maker, for their pioneering work in putting a price tag on air and water pollution.

Professors John V. Krutilla and Allen V. Kneese are the recipients of the first annual Volvo Environment Prize. Kneese could not attend the official awards ceremony Nov. 8 in Gothenburg, Sweden, so a reception was arranged for today at the National Academy of Sciences.

Krutilla and Kneese are senior fellows at Resources for the Future, an independent nonprofit think-tank established in 1952. Their work, begun during the 1950's when there was minimal concern for the environment, led to the cost-benefit analyses contained in environmental impact studies.

Prior to Krutilla's and Kneese's groundbreaking work, economists regarded air and water as free commodities, since they lacked market-pricing mechanisms. Economists studying the consequences of growth previously had not assigned costs to environmental degradation.

In explaining its choice from a field of 40 nominees, the Volvo Environment Prize Selection Committee said that Krutilla and Kneese "were pioneers in developing the theory of environmental economics and in demonstrating how that theory can be applied to inform public policy decisions on various concrete issues. Their work laid the foundation for a growing body of research and knowledge about the complex relationships between the environment and the economy."

Krutilla, 68 years-old, began his work studying the economic consequences of hydroelectric projects on the environment. Krutilla's research made it possible to establish economic values for such diverse ecological elements as endangered species and undisturbed scenic resources.

Kneese, 60 years-old, focused his research on the management problems associated with water resources. In his 1964 book "The Economics of Regional Water Quality Management," Kneese documented for the first time the interaction of economic and physical considerations in managing wastewater discharges into rivers and oceans.

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#90330p9757 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Repap Miramichi's coated paper and kraft pulp mills (Miramichi Pulp & Paper Inc.) located in Newcastle, New Brunswick have been struck by local 689 of the Canadian Paperworker's Union, Repap Enterprises Inc., announced today. A strike vote by the union was taken on Thursday, Nov. 22. The union notified the company on Friday that the strike would commence at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 24, 1990.

The offer rejected by the union was substantially the pattern settlement reached earlier this year by Stone Container and other eastern Canadian pulp and paper producers.

No new discussions have been scheduled between Repap and representatives of

the union.

CONTACT: Kathleen V. Cornish of Repap Enterprises, 514-879-1316

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#90330p9758 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation's (NYSE: CMS) oil and gas exploration unit, Nomeco Oil and Gas Co., today announced it has purchased for $3,150,000 an additional 20.6 percent working interest in the J. B. Levert Land Co. No. 1 well in the Chacahoula Field, LaFourche Parish, La. Also participating in the acquisition is Patrick Petroleum Company (NYSE: PPC) of Jackson.

The interest acquired covers 431,000 net equivalent barrels of proved reserves. Previously, Nomeco announced acquisitions in the well of approximately 294,000 net equivalent barrels of oil.

Today's announced acquisition brings Nomeco's working interest in the well and related properties to 30 percent. The Levert No. 1 well will be operated by Nomeco. Additional drilling and development work is planned for the property.

Nomeco also announced that the Parker No. 1 well in the Indian Village Field in Allen Parish, La., flowed at rates as high as 180 barrels of oil per day, in addition to 300,000 cubic feet of natural gas per day on a short-term test, from a 16-foot zone at 10,100 feet. Now shut in, the well is awaiting hookup to a commercial sales line.

Nomeco and Nicor Inc. each have a 50 percent interest in the well, with Nicor the well operator. The partners plan to drill additional wells to determine the extent of the field.

"Louisiana has been an important focus of our attention this year, and will continue to be in the future," said Richard J. Burgess, president and chief executive officer of Nomeco.

Previously, Nomeco announced it had spent $3 million to purchase working interests in the Bayou Penchant Field in Terrebonne Parish. Additionally, Nomeco earlier this year said it had spent $6 million to acquire a 100 percent interest in three oil wells in Lake Fortuna Field, St. Bernard Parish.

Nomeco also said it had completed and tested for production a well in the Bryceland Field, Bienville Parish. The well, the Davis No. 1, tested at a combined rate of more than four million cubic feet of gas and 15 barrels of condensate per day. Nomeco operates the well and owns a 43.75 percent working interest in it.

Nomeco is among the top 100 oil and gas companies in production and reserves

and is Michigan's largest independent oil and gas producer. It is engaged in exploration and/or production activities in 14 states and seven foreign countries.

CMS Energy Corporation is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services.

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-30- 2979

#90330p9765 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The prime contractor for IBM has chosen Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) to build a multimillion-dollar building distribution system (BDS) at an expansion of the company's research and development facility in Austin, Texas.

BDS is a custom-designed communications network for one building or a group of buildings. It also includes network communications devices which tie the buildings to other networks.

Austin Commercial, Inc. awarded the job to SWBT through a competitive bidding process. Terms of the contract were not disclosed but it's SWBT's largest BDS sale.

IBM's system will provide voice and data communications capability for the company's new one-million-square-foot campus across from its North Austin offices on Burnet Road.

The seven-building facility will house the consolidated development groups of IBM's Advanced Workstation Division and the Austin Programming Center, a part of the Entry Systems Division. About 3,400 engineers, programmers and support employees are moving from leased space to the buildings.

"We've done other jobs for IBM, but nothing this large," said Steve Millstein, SWBT's division manager for business marketing. "This is a great opportunity to show customers the value of a planned distribution system and SWBT's expertise in building them."

Installation has begun and the project will be completed in July 1991. SWBT expects that 10 to 20 employees will be involved in the construction of the building distribution system.

"Designing and installing voice, data and video networks is a natural for SWBT. Connectivity has been our business for 100 years," Millstein said.

He noted that SWBT also offers local area networks (LANs) as part of the product group called BDS & LAN. The BDS & LAN product line includes five integration services: consulting, designing, installation, administration, and maintenance. As a systems integrator, SWBT connects a wide variety of hardware software and communications media to develop networking solutions.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Southwestern Bell Corporation (NYSE: SBC) and provides telecommunications service to nearly nine million customers in Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas, and Missouri.

CONTACT: Scott Hilgeman of Southwestern Bell Telephone, (314) 247-4613.

-30- 2583

#90330p9774 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - It may surprise you to learn that if you come home to blinking alarm clocks, VCR timers and other appliances, it could be a sign that Consumers Power Company has prevented an extended power outage.

That's the message from Prateep Ghose, manager of T & D operations for Consumers Power. When lightning, heavy storms or ice interfere with electric lines, automatic circuit breakers interrupt power momentarily to clear the lines. These "momentaries" -- sometimes called "blips and dips" in the utility industry -- help prevent extended outages, but can cause appliances with timers to shut down long enough so that the clock blinks.

"We've always had these momentary stoppages, but they weren't apparent to customers until the proliferation of digital clocks and computers," said Ghose. A momentary generally lasts for only a fraction of a second, he said.

An electric system is intentionally designed to turn the power off and back on quickly when there is line trouble. Automatic switches turn the power off and on to prevent the temporary problem from causing a long power outage.

An estimated 80 percent to 90 percent of all electric line problems are temporary and last no more than a few seconds. If a problem is more complex, such as a fallen tree bringing a wire to the ground, the system is designed to isolate the damaged section of the line from the rest of the system. That way fewer customers are inconvenienced by loss of power.

According to company records, even with the momentary interruptions, Consumers Power customers have power over 99 percent of the time. The utility regularly monitors its electric system for areas where upgrading and improvements are needed.

As for the irritating blips and dips, they are becoming less common. Some manufacturers of equipment with digital clocks are building in small batteries

that will "hold" the time until power is restored.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

CONTACT: Michael G. Koschik of Consumers Power Company, 517-788-0112

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#90330p9776 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALHOUN, GA. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Crown Crafts Inc. (AMEX: CRW) today authorized payment of a regular quarterly dividend on its common stock of $0.03 per share.

The cash dividend is payable Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 14.

Crown Crafts Inc., headquartered in Calhoun, Ga., manufactures and distributes bed covering products and related fashion accessories.

CONTACT: Paul A. Criscillis Jr., vice president and chief financial officer of Crown Crafts, 404-629-7941

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#90330p9778 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, CALIF. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Ross Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ROST) today reported net earnings for the 13 weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990 of $206,000, or 1 cent per share, as compared to net earnings of $4.2 million, or 18 cents per share, for the prior year's comparable quarter. Current year third quarter sales were $186 million, up 5 percent from the $177 million in sales generated for the 13 weeks ended Oct. 28, 1989. Comparable store sales for the quarter were down 7 percent from the prior year on a day-for-day basis.

For the nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990, net earnings totaled $6.8 million, or 29 cents per share, as compared to net earnings of $14.7 million, or 60 cents per share, for the same period in 1989. Sales during the first nine months of fiscal 1990 increased 7 percent to $551 million, from the $508 million in sales for the prior year's comparable period ended Oct. 28, 1989. Comparable store sales for the nine months were down 4 percent on a day-for-day basis from last year.

In commenting on these results, Norman A. Ferber, President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "We continue to be dissatisfied with our results to date this year. The combination of disappointing sales during the quarter, especially in our junior sportswear and children's departments, and the increased markdowns that resulted, negatively affected our earnings

performance. We are encouraged, however, by the increase in same store sales in our misses sportswear business during the past three months. We believe this indicates that the steps we are taking to better meet the needs of our core misses customer will strengthen the company over the long term."

Ross Stores Inc. operates a national chain of off-price retail stores offering first quality, in-season, branded apparel and apparel-related merchandise for the entire family. The company had 175 stores in operation at Nov. 3, 1990, compared to 147 stores at the end of the same period last year.

CONTACT: Earl T. Benson of Ross Stores, 415-790-4400

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#90330p9779 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Right Associates(R) (NASDAQ: RMCI) announced today it has appointed Gerard R. Baumann executive vice president for its eastern United States region.

Effective Jan. 1, 1991, Baumann will have full line responsibility for all management functions in the eastern United States.

"To address the requirements of an ever more dynamic organization, we have established the position of executive vice president," said Stanley R. Tilton, president of Right Associates.

Baumann has been a senior vice president for North American sales and has developed and coordinated business activities for Right's offices in the United States and Canada.

Previously the Eastern zone manager for Drake Beam Morin Inc. and a former U.S. Navy carrier jet pilot, Baumann and his wife Kelly live in Newtown, Pa.

Right Associates is headquartered in Philadelphia and has more than 70 offices across the United States and around the world. It is one of the world's leading organizations specializing in outplacement counseling of executives and managers. Outplacement consulting services are designed to assist employers with termination issues and to help the separated employees develop skills and strategies to find new employment.

CONTACT: G. Lee Bohs of Right Associates, 215-988-1588

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#90330p9780 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA, (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Right Associates(R) (NASDAQ: RMCI) has appointed George L. Whitwell executive vice president for its Western United States region.

Effective Jan. 1, 1991, Whitwell will have full line responsibility for all management functions in the western United States.

"To address the requirements of an ever more dynamic organization, we have established the position of executive vice president," said Stanley R. Tilton, president of Right Associates.

Whitwell assumes his new position after serving as managing principal of Right's Parsippany, N.J., region. Prior to this assignment, he was executive vice president for field operations at the firm's corporate headquarters in Philadelphia. Whitwell has been a member of the company's board of directors since 1985.

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#90330p9783 11/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
WATERBURY, CONN. (NOV. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Gene C. Guilbert, president of the American Bank of Connecticut (AMEX: BKC), announced today that the bank's board of directors has adopted an Employee Stock Ownership Plan effective Jan. 1, 1991. The plan will enable employees to acquire capital stock of the bank and will recognize their contribution to the bank's successful operation.

In connection with the adoption of the plan, the board approved a line of credit of $2 million to be used for the acquisition of the stock of American Bank. It is anticipated that the purchase of stock will be on the open market. The stock is currently traded on the American Stock Exchange.

American Bank is a state chartered savings bank headquartered in Waterbury, Conn., with assets of $350 million and nine offices in the greater Waterbury area.

CONTACT: Betty Veillette of American Bank of Connecticut, 203-757-9401

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#90330t2436 11/26/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (NOV 26) TASS - A POLITICAL SOLUTION REMAINS TO BE THE CHIEF SOVIET GOAL IN THE GULF CRISIS, GORBACHEV TOLD THE PARLIAMENT.

HE CALLED FOR JOINT EFFORTS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE UNITED NATIONS, SAYING THAT ALL ACTIONS SHOULD BE BASED "ON DECISIONS BY THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE SECURITY COUNCIL."

THE SOVIET UNION WILL CONTINUE TO COOPERATE WITH OTHER COUNTRIES TO SHOW SADDAM HUSSEIN THAT THERE IS NO HOPE THAT HE CAN BREAK INTERNATIONAL UNITY, GORBACHEV SAID.

"WE CANNOT ALLOW THIS SINCE WE HAVE JUST STARTED MOVING AWAY FROM THE COLD WAR " HE SAID.

"WE ARE DEVELOPING NEW MECHANISMS TO SEEK POLITICAL SOLUTIONS TO ANY SITUATIONS," HE SAID.

"WE SHOULD PROVE TO OURSELVES AND TO ALL NATIONS THAT WE CAN SOLVE THE MOST ACUTE CONFLICTS BY POLITICAL MEANS CHARACTERISTIC OF THE NEW EPOCH," HE SAID.

AFTER GORBACHEV'S SPEECH, THE PARLIAMENT PASSED A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WORK OF THE SOVIET DELEGATION AT THE PARIS SUMMIT.

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#90330t2438 11/26/1990 ~ts

GENEVA (NOV. 26) TASS - THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CHEMICAL WEAPONS OPENED ITS SESSION HERE TODAY TO DISCUSS A GLOBAL CHEMICAL WEAPON BAN.

THE SESSION IS BEING ATTENDED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL COUNTRIES PARTICIPATING IN THE GENEVA CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT.

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#90330t2440 11/26/1990 ~ts

KIEV (NOV 26) TASS - PRIME MINISTERS OF THE UKRAINE AND KAZAKHSTAN VITOLD FOKIN AND UZAKBAI KARAMANOV TODAY SIGNED AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLICS' GOVERNMENTS ON ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL COOPERATION BETWEEN 1991-1995.

WHILE DISCUSSING BILATERAL COOPERATION, THEY NOTED THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO CREATE A MECHANISM TO IMPLEMENTS THE AGREEMENTS REACHED. THE SIDES AGREED THAT THEY SHOULD FOCUS ON WORKING OUT AN ECONOMIC PROGRAMME FOR 1991, ENSURING STABILITY OF THE REPUBLICAN ECONOMIES AND SATURATING THEIR CONSUMER MARKETS WITH FOODSTUFFS AND CONSUMER GOODS.

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#90330t2442 11/26/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (NOV 26) TASS - PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV MET A DELEGATION OF THE PARLIAMENTARIANS FOR GLOBAL ACTION INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION TODAY.

THE DELEGATION IS MEETING SOVIET, BRITISH AND U.S. LEADERS IN THE RUN-UP TO A U.N. CONFERENCE ON A COMPLETE BAN OF NUCLEAR TESTS, TO OPEN IN NEW YORK IN THE BEGINNING OF JANUARY.

GORBACHEV PRAISED THE ROLE OF PARLIAMENTS IN THE DISARMAMENT PROCESS. HE SAID CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN AVERTING THE THREAT OF WAR, ESPECIALLY AT THE RECENT PAN-EUROPEAN SUMMIT IN PARIS.

HE ALSO SPOKE ABOUT PROBLEMS PROMPTED BY CONVERSION OF MILITARY INDUSTRIES AND ARMS CUTS.

SPECIAL ATTENTION WAS PAID TO THE GROWING THREAT OF THE PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR ARMS, THE ELIMINATION OF WHICH IS DIRECTLY LINKED WITH THE PROBLEM OF ENDING NUCLEAR TESTS, GORBACHEV SAID. THE NEED TO STEP UP VERIFICATION ON THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND TO MAKE ALL SIDES JOIN IT WAS STRESSED. DEVELOPMENTS IN THE GULF ARE A SERIOUS SIGN FOR INTERNATIONAL POLITICS IN THIS RESPECT.

PARLIAMENTARIANS RAISED THE QUESTION OF POSSIBLE NEW INITIATIVES THAT COULD BE PRESENTED DURING THE OPENING OF THE NEW YORK CONFERENCE -- IN ORDER TO GIVE AN ADDED IMPETUS TO THE MOVEMENT FOR THE BANNING OF NUCLEAR TESTS, REPRESENTED BY PARLIAMENTARIANS FROM 40 COUNTRIES.

GORBACHEV ASSURED THE VISITORS THAT THE POLICY TOWARDS A NUCLEAR-FREE WORLD, PROCLAIMED BY THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP IN JANUARY 1986, HAS NOT CHANGED.

THE SOVIET UNION IS PREPARED TO STOP ITS TESTS TOMORROW IF OTHER NUCLEAR NATIONS FOLLOW SUIT, GORBACHEV SAID.

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#90330u0003 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for November 23: Purchases of 238,277 shares and sales of 323,909 shares including 6,893 shares sold short.

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#90330u0037 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

BROCKTON, MA (NOV. 26) UPI - A Brockton woman has won freedom for her twin brother being held hostage in Iraq, her husband said Monday.

Dennis Trundy of Brockton said he received a telephone call Monday morning from his wife, Mary, in Baghdad saying that the Iraqi government has agreed to release her twin brother, John Stevenson, 44.

Stevenson, who was in Kuwait as a bank computer analyst, was taken captive by Iraqi forces Oct. 20 after Iraq invaded Kuwait.

''They secured his release,'' Trundy said his wife told him.

Trundy said the agreement came following a meeting Monday between his wife, two other brothers and Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

Just when they all will be able to leave Iraq remains a question, however.

''What they're trying to do now is trying to secure his passport to get out, and then a flight. I don't think they're going to get out today because the flight looks like it's booked. They will probably be leaving Baghdad within the next couple of days,'' Trundy said.

Mary Trundy and two other brothers from Florida - William and James Stevenson - went to Baghdad to visit their hostage sibling over Thanksgiving at the invitation of the Iraqi government, despite warnings against doing so by the U.S. State Department.

Stevenson was being held in a Baghdad hotel where his sister and two brothers were able to visit with him during their stay.

''John is in the same hotel as Mary and her brothers. They have seen him every day since last Tuesday,'' Trundy said earlier.

''John is in good spirits, but he cannot go outside the hotel. He must stay in the courtyard and on the grounds.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $387.70, silver base of $4.20 and platinum price of $432.40:

	Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$403.70	399.20
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	207.10	204.80
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	106.30	105.20
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.90	43.40
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	403.70	399.20
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	207.10	204.80
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.80	105.70
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.90	43.40
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	410.20	405.60
China Panda .50 troy oz.	211.30	208.00
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.00	108.40

China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.30	46.80
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.30	28.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	403.70	399.30
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	208.20	204.00
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	106.80	103.10
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	44.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	402.10	398.20
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	208.20	206.10
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.80	105.80
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	45.00
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	402.10	398.10
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	206.80	204.70
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.70	87.80
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.90	45.00
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.30	24.20
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.61	$5.59
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,220	$3,210
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	447.00	447.00
Isle of Man Noble	444.00	444.00
Canada Maple Leaf	456.00	456.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - Even after Ron Hextall and Ken Wregget get healthy, the Philadelphia golatenders may find themselves watching the Flyers from the bench.

Pete Peeters, picked up by the Flyers when injuries sidelined the two goalies expected to anchor the team, stopped 25 shots Sunday night to lead Philadelphia to a 4-1 victory from the New York Islanders.

Peeters, making his 11th straight start, improved to 6-3-1 and lowered his goals-against average to 2.21, third-best in the league.

''Everybody feels comfortable and confident in him,'' Philadelphia Coach Paul

Holmgren said. ''He's stood tall and made some big saves in the second period. He's played extremely well.''

The victory left the Flyers four points behind the first-place New York Rangers but Philadelphia is 4-7-1 against other teams in the Patrick Division, worst among the six teams in the division.

''We know we've been doing poorly against Patrick Division foes and we'll be playing a lot of division teams,'' Peeters said. ''We know we have to assert ourselves, otherwise we could drop sharply in the standings.''

Sunday night's game was the first of four straight intra-division contests, with games on tap this week against the Islanders, New Jersey and the Rangers.

''(Our division record) is still poor,'' Holmgren said. ''We've got a lot of games left against division teams. It was a big win tonight with three more coming up in succession.''

The Flyers took a 2-0 lead on their first two shots of the game.

Gord Murphy scored on the power play at 1:28 of the first period and Mike Ricci, a rookie, added his fifth goal of the season at 10:40.

Murphy took a return pass from Pelle Eklund and put his shot inside the right post for his seventh goal of the season.

Ricci took a pass from Rick Tocchet and fired a shot past New York goaltender Jeff Hackett for an early two-goal lead.

The Islanders closed within 2-1 on Gary Nylund's second goal of the season at 13:58 of the first period. Brad Dalgarno skated behind the Philadelphia net and passed to Nylund in the left circle. Nylund's shot beat Peeters to the far side.

The Islanders outshot Philadelphia 14-10 in the second period and also had the advantage in scoring opportunities but Peeters made several tough saves to preserve the Flyers' one-goal lead.

Philadelphia picked up the tempo in the third period and Hackett had to make saves on Ron Sutter, Mark Howe and Rick Tocchet to prevent the Flyers from adding to their lead.

Peeters was also tested on several occasions but did not surrender the equalizer.

''Right away they got a power-play goal and then they got another one,'' Islanders Coach Al Arbour said. ''It was really a 2-1 game. Pete Peeters came up big time and again with some key saves and he lifted the team.''

Tocchet scored his 16th goal of the season into the empty net at 19:24 and Murphy added his eighth at 19:48 for the final margin.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Elsewhere in the NHL Sunday night, Montreal edged Winnipeg 4-3 and Quebec tied Los Angeles 4-4.

CANADIENS 4, JETS 3

At Montreal, Andrew Cassels scored the game-winning goal during a third period scramble, lifting the Canadiens. Cassels fired the puck from the slot through a maze of players blocking Jets goalie Bob Essensa from seeing the shot. Paul MacDermid scored two goals for the Jets and Stephon Lebeau had two for Montreal.

NORDIQUES 4, KINGS 4

At Quebec, Jamie Baker scored his first career goal with 3:48 remaining in the third period, helping the Nordiques overcome a two-goal deficit. Even with the tie, the Nordiques are now winless in a club record 17 games, going 0-15-2 in the span. Wayne Gretzky had a goal, his 15th, and two assists for the Kings.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - The San Francisco 49ers and New York Giants, linked in a quest for perfection through 10 games, were joined Sunday in defeat.

Both tumbled to division foes one week before their Monday night meeting in San Francisco. The Los Angeles Rams stunned the 49ers 28-17 in San Francisco, and the Eagles whipped the Giants 31-13 at Philadelphia.

If the 49ers and Giants won, they would have been the first 11-0 teams to face off in NFL history.

They had plenty of company Sunday, when the elite got beat. All five of the division leaders who played, lost. Minnesota clubbed NFC Central- leading Chicago, 41-13; Kansas City shaded the Los Angeles Raiders 27-24 to draw even in the AFC West; and Indianapolis smashed Cincinnati 34-20, costing the Bengals their lead in the AFC Central.

At San Francisco, Cleveland Gary scored three touchdowns to help the Rams prevent the two-time defending Super Bowl champion 49ers from what would have been an NFL record 19th straight victory.

''When you give the ball up a lot, that's the kind of thing you can't do

against a team like the Rams,'' 40ers quarterback Joe Montana said after throwing three interceptions. ''No matter what their record.''

The Rams, 4-7, forced four first-half turnovers to race to a 21-7 halftime lead, and then survived a 10-point San Francisco third quarter. Montana threw a 23-yard TD pass to Harry Sydney on a screen pass and Mike Cofer added a 42-yard field goal but Gary capped a 90-play drive that took 10:37 with a 1-yard run to put the Rams safely in front.

Buford McGee ran for a TD and threw a 22-yard halfback option pass to Gary for another to help the Rams to their halftime lead. The 49ers would have clinched their fifth straight division title with a triumph.

''It feels great to beat the best,'' Rams quarterback Jim Everett said. ''We've been through some hard times this year, but this is exactly what it's all about. I think we match up well against them.''

At Philadelphia, Randall Cunningham passed for two TDs and ran for a third to lift the Eagles, 7-4, to their fifth straight victory.

''I would have preferred to remain in dreamland,'' said Giants quarterback Phil Simms, who threw two interceptions to match his total through the first 10 games.

''Sure, it's disappointing. We would have liked to go undefeated. I don't think we didn't have any spirit out there. We just plain got beat. It was pretty simple.''

Cunningham, who completed 17 of 31 passes for 229 yards and ran for 66 more, threw to Fred Barnett for a 49-yard TD and to Calvin Williams for a 6-yard score and snuck into the end zone from the 1.

''No question, it's a special win for us,'' Philadelphia Coach Buddy Ryan said. ''It's the kind of game you dream about. We played an excellent game.''

The Giants could have clinched the NFC East title with a victory over the second-place Eagles, 7-4, who have topped New York in five of their last six meetings and handed the Giants their last regular-season loss.

At Minneapolis, Rich Gannon threw three TD passes, Herschel Walker scored twice and the Vikings sacked Jim Harbaugh seven times to lift the Vikings, 5-6 to their fourth straight. The Bears, 9-2, had a six-game losing streak snapped.

Minnesota linebacker Mike Merriweather led the defensive charge. He returned one of two fumble recoveries 33 yards for a TD, made eight solo tackles and four assists, registered 1.5 sacks and forced two fumbles.

''Once the truck hit me I didn't bother to get up,'' Chicago Coach Mike Ditka said. ''I just layed there and watched.''

''It wasn't a truck,'' Harbaugh said. ''It was something bigger.''

At Los Angeles, Steve DeBerg threw three TD passes, two to running back Bill Jones in the second half, to give the Chiefs their first season sweep over the Raiders since 1981. The Chiefs and Raiders are tied at 7-4.

DeBerg hit Jones for two 11-yard scores and found Emile Harry for a 19-yard TD to counter a three-touchdown performance by Raiders running back Marcus Allen.

''We're really disappointed; we're a better team than we showed today,'' said Allen, who finished with 76 yards on 15 carries. ''This is my ninth season. The Raiders have never done anything easily.''

At Cincinnati, Eric Dickerson finally broke loose, gaining 143 yards on 22 carries for his first 100-yard game of the season. He also scored once and had gains of 43, 32, 17 and 14 yards.

''I can still run,'' Dickerson said. ''There's no doubt about it. Even if I have lost a step, I can still outrun most defensive backs.

''It's nice to break into the secondary. I hadn't done it for so long. It's the first time I went deep this year.''

Dickerson cracked 100 yards for the 59th time in his career, second to Walter Payton's 77 100-yard games. He also scored his 83rd rushing TD to match Jim Taylor for fifth place on the career list.

The Colts improved to 5-6. The Bengals, who received two TD passes by Boomer Esiason, dropped to 6-5 and into a tie with Pittsburgh in the AFC Central.

At East Rutherford, N.J., the Steelers broke open a close game with fourth-quarter TDs by Merril Hoge and Louis Lipps for a 24-7 victory over the New York Jets.

The Steelers outscored New York 17-0 in the second half to drop the Jets to 4-8 with their third straight loss. Hoge's 1-yard TD run 94 seconds into the fourth quarter was set up by Larry Griffin's 36-yard interception return and gave the Steelers a 17-7 lead. Lipps added a 3- yard TD catch from Bubby Brister with 7:24 left.

In other games Sunday, Miami burned Cleveland 30-13, Green Bay decked Tampa Bay 20-10, New Orleans shaded Atlanta 10-7, and Phoenix clubbed New England 34-14.

In the Sunday game, Seattle edged San Diego 13-10 in overtime. On Monday night

game, AFC East leader Buffalo plays at Houston.

Dolphins 30, Browns 13

At Cleveland, Dan Marino threw for 245 yards and two TDs to pass the 30,000-yard barrier to lift the Dolphins. Marino completed 16 of 29 passes, was not intercepted, and finished the game with 30,099 career yards. By cracking 30,000 yards in 114 games, Marino reached the mark quicker than any quarterback in history.

Packers 20, Buccaneers 10

At Milwaukee, Anthony Dilweg, filling in for injured Don Majkowski, threw two touchdown passes to lead the Packers to their third straight victory. Green Bay, 6-5, moved over .500 for the first time since the first week of the season. The Buccaneers, 4-8, lost their sixth straight.

Saints 10, Falcons 7

At New Orleans, Eric Martin caught a 6-yard TD pass with 2:10 left to lift the Saints. The Falcons had gone ahead 7-3 on their previous drive when Chris Miller found a streaking George Thomas down the sideline for a 51-yard touchdown. The Saints improved to 5-6 and dropped the Falcons to 3-8.

Cardinals 34, Patriots 14

At Phoenix, rookie Anthony Thompson rushed for 136 yards and a TD in his first start and quarterback Timm Rosenbach scored the first two rushing TDs of his career to lift the Cardinals, 3-9. Tommy Hodson threw two TD passes in his first NFL start for the Patriots, 1-10.

Seahawks 13, Chargers 10

At San Diego, Norm Johnson kicked a 40-yard field goal with 11:59 left in overtime two plays after Seattle recovered a fumble. Billy Joe Tolliver completed a pass to Arthur Cox , who fumbled - his second of the game - and Rufus Porter recovered at the Charger 23, setting up Johnson. Seattle raised its record to 5-6 while San Diego dropped to 5-7.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - Astronomers have announced plans to create the most detailed map of the universe ever attempted to help answer fundamental questions about the structure and evolution of the cosmos.

The $14-million, 10-year project will produce a three-dimensional map that should be 100 times more complete than any previous effort, including 1

million galaxies, 100,000 quasars and 30,000 intergalactic gas clouds, they said Sunday.

''Nobody has ever made such an elegant and detailed map of the sky,'' said Bruce Margon, an astronomer from the University of Washington in Seattle who chairs the Astrophysical Research Consortium, which is planning the project.

The map will be created through a methodical sky survey beginning in 1995 using a wide-angle telescope that is being specially built for the project. The telescope, which will have a field of view 36 times the size of a full moon, will be placed on Apacha Point in the Sacramento Mountains of New Mexico.

The telescope will be equipped with a digital camera of unprecedented size composed of 30 digital light sensors called charged-coupled devices, or CCDs, that will record 120 million points of light at a time in the ultraviolet, blue, red and infrared.

In addition, the telescope will be equipped with a robot-controlled light-splitting spectrograph that will be able to measure the color of light from an unprecedented 600 stars, galaxies or quasars at once to enable scientists to create three-dimensional maps.

The Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory outside Chicago will provide computer equipment to store and analyze the data, estimated to be the equivalent of a telephone directory listing 250 billion people.

The map may help explain how galaxies formed and should settle astronomers' debates about whether clusters of galaxies are arranged in sheets, bubbles or other large structures, the scientists said.

Astronomers hope to answer fundamental questions about the universe, such as the nature and distribution of mysterious material known as dark matter, said Richard Kron, an astronomer from the University of Chicago.

The map will also help answer questions about the ''big bang'' theory of creation, which holds that the universe exploded into being some 15 billion years ago.

According to that theory, the density of the universe should be uniform with matter spread evenly everywhere. However, stars are clumped into galaxies and galaxies are grouped into clusters and superclusters.

''I think it's a great idea,'' said Stephen Kent, an astronomer at Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass. ''Instead of trying to get glimpses of what's there we'll be able to measure everything that's there.''

The consortium consists of the University of Chicago, the Institute for Advanced Studies in Princeton, N.J., New Mexico State University, Princeton

University in New Jersey, the University of Washington and Washington State University in Pullman, Wash.

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(NOV. 26) - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
PATRICK DIVISION						
NY Rangers	15	6	5	35	102	67
Philadelphia	15	10	1	31	92	80
New Jersey	13	10	1	27	89	78
Washington	13	13	0	26	86	84
Pittsburgh	11	10	2	24	96	86
NY Islanders	9	13	1	19	64	84
ADAMS DIVISION						
Boston	13	7	4	30	76	71
Montreal	12	10	3	27	77	77
Hartford	9	10	4	22	63	72
Buffalo	8	8	6	22	73	68
Quebec	3	18	5	11	66	119

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NORRIS DIVISION						
Chicago	17	7	2	36	89	60
St. Louis	15	6	2	32	81	61
Detroit	10	10	3	23	84	90
Minnesota	5	15	5	15	66	91
Toronto	4	21	1	9	70	125
SMYTHE DIVISION						
Los Angeles	16	5	2	34	100	70
Calgary	14	9	2	30	107	81
Vancouver	11	12	1	23	75	84
Winnipeg	9	15	2	20	89	93
Edmonton	6	13	2	14	58	64

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(NOV. 26) UPI - MONDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR

(All times EST)

Basketball Miami vs. Boston at Hartford, Conn., 7:30 p.m.

Football Buffalo at Houston, 9 p.m.

Hockey Buffalo at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.

Games Seattle - TAC Convention to decide site of 1992 Olympic Trials

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(NOV. 26) UPI - President Bush is becoming perhaps the most well-traveled president in history. Bush goes back on the road again Monday, when he heads to Mexico for talks with his Mexican counterpart on free trade. The president just returned from an eight-day trek to Europe and the Middle East that focused on the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush is to return to Washington late Tuesday... and after a couple of days in the Oval Office, he'll be off again, this time on a seven-day trip to South America.

A raging fire in two giant fuel tanks is disrupting air traffic at Denver's Stapleton Airport. Officials say the fire erupted in two 400- thousand-gallon tanks containing aviation fuel... and at one point threatened even larger nearby tanks at the airport. Fire officials initially decided to let the fire burn itself out, but mounted an all- out assault late Sunday when, after 10 hours, the flames showed no signs of abating.

In New York, a state assemblyman plans a hearing Monday into the violence that has marred the month-long strike at the Daily News. The State Assembly Labor Committee will examine possible links between the hiring of replacement workers at the tabloid newspaper and violence by its striking employees. Police say there have been 196 reports of strike-related violence and 89 arrests.

Police in Tokyo say they believe a bomb blast along a bullet-train line was the work of radical leftists opposed to Japan's emperor system. Police say the blast occurred outside Tokyo just hours before Emperor Akihito and Empress Michiko were to pass by on their way to Japan's most sacred Shinto shrine. Authorities say NO one was injured in the explosion, but the blast showered chunks of a concrete retaining wall onto the tracks.

The U-S Customs Service reportedly is investigating allegations that an Israeli criminal network operating out of Miami trained and helped arm Colombian cocaine traffickers. The Miami Herald says the Israeli government sent 500 automatic weapons to the Caribbean nation of Antigua in a shipment allegedly engineeered by the network. But the paper says the network diverted the arms to the leader of the Medellin drug cartel. It says one of the weapons was used in the assassination of a Colombian presidential candidate.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday agreed to become involved in a decade-old battle between the federal government and animal rights activists over medical experimentation on a group of monkeys.

The court accepted part of an appeal from the International Primate Protection League and People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals to step into the dispute over the fate of the dwindling numbers of the ''Silver Spring Monkeys.''

The court agreed to decide if the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals overstepped its legal bounds last March when it ruled that a federal agency - the National Institutes of Health - could remove to federal court a non-federal case brought against it in state court.

The state court in Louisiana had thwarted government efforts to perform fatal brain experiments on three of the monkeys, but the federal court permitted the testing.

The three monkeys were killed this summer at the Delta Regional Primate Research Center at Tulane University as part of an experiment the government said could lead to developments in therapy for people who have suffered brain or spinal cord damage.

Animal rights activists, however, contend it was another in a long line of steps to cover up the cruelty to which the animals had been exposed while under federal government care.

In 1981, police raided a private research facility in Silver Spring, Md., funded by NIH and seized 17 monkeys, later citing the facility for alleged animal cruelty.

The animals were returned to NIH custody, and animal rights groups sought assurances they would not be subjected to further abuse.

In 1986, more than 300 members of Congress unsuccessfully petitioned NIH to turn the monkeys over to an animal sanctuary. Instead, the animals were moved to the Louisiana facility. The government claims the killing of three of the remaining monkeys this summer was painless and an act of mercy for animals that had been kept alive for years despite suffering from nerve-severing and crippling injuries sustained in previous testing.

When the government announced plans to euthanize the three monkeys in December 1988, animal rights groups filed suit in Louisiana state court, seeking to have the monkeys turned over either to themselves or members of Congress.

A state court granted a temporary injunction barring the fatal testing, but

NIH then removed the case to federal court - the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

That court in effect stayed the injunction, but the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals allowed the experiment to be performed.

The court agreed to decide whether NIH, as a federal agency, was within its legal authority in removing the case from state court to federal court jurisdiction.

Five of the 17 original monkeys were released to the San Diego Zoo, but four others are still being kept at the Delta center.

The high court's decision, expected sometime next year, could determine if NIH could take a similar judicial avenue in the future if it desires to perform fatal experimentation on the remaining four macaque monkeys.

90-89 International Primate Protection League, et al., vs. Administrators of Tulane Educational Fund, et al.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - A published report says President Bush has won enough support from members of the United Nation's Security Council to push through a resolution authorizing the use of military force against Iraq if necessary.

Officials at Denver's Stapleton Airport say two 400-thousand-gallon tanks containing aviation fuel continue to burn out of control. The fire is causing flight delays on the average of two hours.

President Bush has just about UNpacked his bags from his last trip, and he's on the road again. Bush leaves Monday morning for a two-day meeting with Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari . The talks are expected to center on free trade.

A hearing is scheduled Monday morning in New York to look into possible links between the hiring of replacement workers at the Daily News and violence by its striking employees. Police report 196 cases of strike-related violence and 89 arrests.

There is some improvement reported in the flood situation in western Washington state, but flood watches still are posted for at least nine rivers. High river levels made it difficult for travellers to get home at the end of the holiday weekend.

More than 260-thousand railway workers in the five new eastern German states voted to launch a general strike Monday to demand wage hikes and job security.

A union spokesman said trains transporting essential consumer goods would be exempt from the strike.

The Miami Herald says the U-S Customs Service is investigating allegations that an Israeli criminal network operating out of Miami trained and helped arm Colombian cocaine traffickers.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 71.50-72.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 123.62-127.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 37.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $205.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $425.00-$430.00; dealer- approx., $434.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 294.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Initial				
Long Island City Fncl	..	.25	12-18	12-4
Usual				
Global Ocean Carrier	..	.05	12-20	12-7
Harleysville Natl	Q	.20	12-31	12-14

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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(NOV. 26) - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	10	2	.833	-
Philadelphia	9	4	.692	1 1/2
New York	6	5	.545	3 1/2
Miami	4	8	.333	6
New Jersey	4	9	.308	6 1/2
Washington	3	8	.273	6 1/2

Central Division

Detroit	10	2	.833	-
Milwaukee	9	3	.750	1/2
Cleveland	7	6	.538	3 1/2
Chicago	7	6	.538	3 1/2
Charlotte	7	7	.500	4
Indiana	5	7	.417	5
Atlanta	4	8	.333	6

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	7	3	.700	-
Houston	7	6	.538	1 1/2

Utah	6	6	.500	2
Dallas	5	6	.455	2 1/2
Minnesota	4	8	.333	4
Orlando	3	10	.231	5 1/2
Denver	1	11	.083	7

Pacific Division

Portland	11	0	1.000	-
Golden State	8	5	.615	4
Phoenix	6	4	.600	4 1/2
LA Lakers	6	5	.545	5
LA Clippers	6	6	.500	5 1/2
Seattle	4	5	.444	6
Sacramento	1	9	.100	10

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#90330u0161 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand a ban on begging in the New York City subway system, despite claims that the policy violates the free speech of the poor by outlawing panhandling even while permitting other forms of solicitation for charity.

Advocates for the homeless claim the court's refusal to review the policy could have a chilling impact on individual rights of the destitute across the nation.

A group of homeless people, in a class-action suit filed with the help of the Legal Action Center for the Homeless, claim the 1989 regulations continuing a ban against panhandling but allowing other forms of solicitation violates their First Amendment right to free speech and their 14th Amendment guarantee to equal protection.

The group argued that if other forms of speech are permitted in the sprawling underground transportation network, a legal ''public forum'' where speech is afforded a higher protection is created that requires that begging also be allowed. It also claimed that while panhandling may be restricted for cause in certain areas of the subway system, a total ban is illegal.

The New York City Transit Authority claimed the ban on begging was necessary to foster safety for the 3.5 million people who use the 468- station subway system on a given workday.

The subway operators point to its own 1988 study that found two- thirds of subway users said they had been intimidated into giving money to beggars, and that it is ''difficult from the police perspective to draw the fine line between panhandling and extortion.''

''That the (transit agency) permits individuals to solicit for charities on the subway system - something which it has never found to have interfered with passenger safety or comfort except in locations such as on trains or escalators - does not require the same system to permit begging which has been found to be inherently intimidating to subway users,'' it argued.

A district court in New York found that the ban on begging was unconstitutionally overbroad and issued a permanent injunction stopping the transit authority from enforcing it.

In May, a divided 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals reversed the decision and allowed the ban on individual begging.

''While organized charities serve community interests by enhancing communication and disseminating ideas, the conduct of begging and panhandling in the subway amounts to nothing less than a menace to the common good,'' wrote the circuit court majority.

But in a dissenting opinion, Judge Thomas Meskill wrote that begging is ''speech protected by the First Amendment that may be regulated, but not entirely prohibited, to achieve the government interests advanced in this case.''

Meskill said the transit authority had created a public forum by permitting some forms of charitable solicitation, and so cannot indiscriminately decide what is and what is not proper speech.

''I simply fail to see why the (transit authority) should be able to permit organized charities, but not beggars, to rattle a cup full of change as one passes by,'' concluded Meskill.

The National Coalition for the Homeless filed a brief with the court contending that if the regulations are allowed to stand, it would open the way for states and locales to ban begging in a wide range of circumstances and would deny the poor the ''most fundamental of all human rights, the right to survive.''

The National Coalition for the Homeless cited 1989 hearings before the House Select Committee on Hunger in claiming that in New York alone, more than 250,000 adults suffer from chronic hunger and more than 500, 000 are routinely hungry.

''Poor people beg in the subways of New York precisely because there are many people there,'' wrote the group. ''For many people in our society, begging offers the only hope of survival.''

A coalition of New York City neighborhood groups called the Straphangers Campaign, which works for improved transportation, also asked the high court

to overturn the regulations, claiming they ''erroneously suggests that the subway system is not a public forum, thereby laying the foundation for still further restrictions on the availability of information to riders.''

90-591 William B. Young, Jr., et al., vs. New York City Transit Authority, et al.

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PARIS (NOV. 26) UPI - A Justice Ministry official Monday denounced as a ''horrible publicity stunt'' a contention from a lawyer for Klaus Barbie that the convicted Gestapo war criminal should be released from prison and treated by a Jewish cancer specialist.

Assistant Justice Minister Georges Kiejman added that he did not believe an early release should be considered despite defense lawyer Jacques Verges' disclosure that Barbie has blood cancer.

''Medical pardons are very sparingly distributed,'' Kiejman said. ''The only accepted thing is to allow someone who is dying to be with his family. Based on what I know, I'm not convinced we're in such a situation.''

Barbie, known as the ''Butcher of Lyon,'' was convicted in 1987 and sentenced to life imprisonment for ''crimes against humanity'' for his role in the roundup and deportations of French Jews and resistance members during World War II.

Verges has made no formal request for an early release but said in a newspaper interview that such a decision should be considered because of Barbie's medical condition. Verges also suggested that Barbie be treated by Leon Schwartzenberg, one of France's most reputed cancer specialists. Members of Schwartzenberg's family died in Nazi concentration camps.

Kiejman said of the new campaign by Verges, ''I disapprove of this operation in principle,'' adding that he considered it ''a horrible publicity stunt.''

Schwartzenberg, a professor at Paul Brousse Hospital in suburban Paris, confirmed that Verges had contacted him about Barbie, but maintained that he would have no comment on it until such a request came from judicial authorities.

The Justice Ministry indicated that the choice of a doctor should be decided by the physician currently treating Barbie in Lyon.

Verges, continuing Monday to speak in favor of clemency for Barbie, said that ''a life sentence is not a death sentence by lack of medical care.''

Questioned in Toulouse where he was trying another case, the Paris lawyer said he had no plans ''for the moment'' to file any court motions.

Verges said that Barbie had suffered a stroke and has been undergoing chemotherapy for blood cancer for the last three months in a Lyon hospital.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Robert Kiley, the head of the nation's largest transit system, resigned Monday as the longest-serving chairman of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority,, which carries six million passengers daily.

Kiley, 55, appointed to office by Gov. Mario Cuomo in 1983, said he will become president and chief executive officer of Fischbach Corp., an electrical engineering firm based in New York.

Kiley, in a farewell statement, thanked employes of the MTA and its operating agencies for their efforts during the past seven years. "We have revived mass transit in New York and have restored employee pride and public confidence in the system," he said. "While much has been accomplished, much also remains to be done.

The MTA oversees New York's massive subway and bus system, the Long Island Rail Road, the Metro-North Commuter Railroad, the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority, and the Metropolitan Suburban Bus Authority.

Kiley said that he found the MTA on the verge of collapse, outdated, unreliable, and unsafe. He is credited with having rebuilt the system at a cost of billions of dollars of public funds and dramatically increased fares for users of the metropolitan area's trains, subways, buses, bridges and tunnels.

Following a massive rebuilding plan after he took office, subway ridership increased 8.4 percent between 1982 and 1988, 5.6 percent on the Long Island Rail Road and 19 percent on Metro-North Commuter Railroad. Ridership on subways and the Long Island line have since dipped due to the region's economic downturn but Metro-North ridership continues to rise.

Under Kiley's chairmanship, more than three-fourths of subway cars, nearly 90 percent of the city's buses, and nearly 100 percent of the commuter rail cars have been overhauled or replaced.

A native of Minnesota and graduate of Notre Dame University, Kiley served seven years with the Central Intelligence Agency, where he was executive assistant to the director from 1968 to 1970, before moving on to an executive position with the Police Foundation in Washington, D.C.

He worked briefly for New York Mayor John Lindsay before being recruited in 1972 by Boston Mayor Kevin White to become deputy mayor, a post he held for three years. In 1975, Kiley was appointed chairman of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority but was fired in 1979 by incoming Gov. Edward King.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I has the latest, news.

More than 200 firefighters are battling a spectacular fire raging through four giant fuel tanks at Denver's Stapleton Airport. Officials say the tanks contain up to two-Million gallons of aviation fuel. The tanks erupted in flames Sunday morning, causing airlines to delay flights as they scrambled to find alternate fuel sources.

Colorado authorities say high winds have died down and firefighters have nearly contained a wildfire burning near Boulder. The blaze has blackened more than six-thousand acres and 15 structures. Officials say the fast-moving fire fanned by gale-force winds forced more than 100 people to vacate their homes.

Surging rivers are returning to their banks in western Washington after a weekend of flooding brought on by weeks of rain. Freezing levels near one-thousand feet helped the rivers recede. But weather forecasters say there's a chance of rain Monday east of Seattle, where the worst flooding occurred.

President Bush heads to Mexico Monday for two days of talks with his Mexican counterpart on free trade. Bush is just back from an eight-day trek to Europe and the Middle East that focused on the Persian Gulf crisis. His trip to Mexico comes at a time when relations between the two nations are strong and growing.

Schoolchildren and peasants reportedly are being called up by the Iraqi military. Cairo Radio reports that children under the age of 15 are being drafted to reinforce the regular Iraqi army so that soldiers will be available for combat. The report says peasants, who form part of Iraq's reserves, are being ordered to report to duty by December 15th.

A railway strike gets under way Monday in the five new eastern German states. More than 260-thousand railway workers voted to walk off the job to demand wage hikes and job security. Union officials say the strike would begin affecting passenger and freight services Monday, but they would NOT comment on the total scope of the planned action.

Embattled Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov indicates he'll stay in his post

until he's forced to resign. Ryzhkov's resignation has been rumored since Soviet President Gorbachev outlined a new plan of government. But Ryzhkov said Sunday on Soviet t-v that his future should be decided by the Congress of People's Deputies.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand a decision that Arizona erred when it shut down a day-care center accused of child abuse without first holding a formal hearing on the charges.

The case stems from a decision of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals against the Arizona Child Protective Services and individual state workers, who suspended the license of a Tucson day-care facility in 1985 after a complaint that a teacher had sexually molested a student.

The appeals court ruled that the state and its employees violated due process channels by not allowing the day-care center, Chalkboard Inc., to refute the charges at a formal hearing before shutting it down on an emergency basis.

The court also held that ''qualified immunity'' - the principle that executive officials are protected from suit for simply carrying out their jobs in good faith - did not protect officials in this case because ''reasonable officers'' would have known state law required a hearing before the business was forced to shut its doors.

The case was brought to the high court by eight state workers backed by the Arizona government, who claimed the action taken against Chalkboard was necessary to protect children and that it did not clearly violate state statute.

A brief filed with the court by 22 other states and three U.S. territories also urged the justices to accept the case and overturn the 9th Circuit for its ''short shrift given the states' important interest in protecting young children from abuse.'' The brief argued that damage to the premise of qualified immunity would ''inhibit state officials in carrying out their responsibilities under the law and seriously jeopardize public protection.''

But the high court, in an unsigned action, refused to review the 9th Circuit's ruling.

On Oct. 10, 1985, the mother of a girl attending Chalkboard alleged to Tucson police that her daughter had been sexually molested by a teacher. Police notified the Office of Child Protective Services and a social worker there, Susan Brandt, who began an investigation. Two other investigators of the Arizona Department of Health Services were called in.

In interviews over the next several days, investigators uncovered other allegations of sexual molestation by the same teacher and of physical abuse involving other staff members. The center also was found to be over its licensed capacity for the second time in two years.

On Oct. 16, Chalkboard's day-care license was suspended by DHS pending a full administrative hearing scheduled for Oct. 24.

On Oct. 23, the day-care company filed a civil rights action in federal court, seeking monetary damages against the three investigators, their supervisors and others, charging violation of federal due process and equal protection rights.

The state agencies asked the court to throw out the suit on the grounds of qualified immunity, but it refused. The 9th Circuit then issued its ruling, finding that Arizona's own laws require a state judicial proceeding before a day-care license can be suspended in such a situation.

The state contends its law is not so clear and that an emergency status existed justifying its action.

Chalkboard said no emergency existed because the teacher named in the molestation allegations had been suspended.

The state warned if the decision was not reversed, ''it will have an incalculable, chilling impact on (the) state's ability to protect its young children from grevious harms. It signals that case workers, investigators, and other public officials who act reasonably and in good faith to protect public safety in emergency situations may be held personally liable for monetary damages if their judgments are subsequently questioned.''

Operators of Chalkboard claim it was effectively put out of business by the forced closure and publicity surrounding it, even though they had no chance to state their side of the story.

90-270 Susan Brandt, et. al., vs. Chalkboard, Inc., et al.

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#90330u0207 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 26) UPI - It's nearly impossible to achieve absolute perfection in a basketball game, but the Portland Trail Blazers came pretty close in the first quarter of Sunday night's game against the San Antonio Spurs.

After seeing the Blazers outscore his team 49-18 in the opening period, San Antonio coach Larry Brown said Portland could have beaten an all-decade team.

But one quarter hardly makes a game, and Portland had to struggle over the

remaining three quarters to pull out a 117-103 victory.

''That was an awesome first period by Portland,'' Brown said. ''I've never seen anybody have a quarter like that.

''But then when I looked up at halftime on the scoreboard and saw that we were only 14 points down, I thought it was a message from God.''

The Blazers are now 11-0 and are the only undefeated team in the NBA. They have won 15 regular season games in a row dating back to last season.

Portland was paced by three players with 20 or more points. Center Kevin Duckworth led the way with 22 points while Terry Porter had 21 and Clyde Drexler added 20.

San Antonio's David Robinson led all scorers with 26 points.

Without question, the difference in the game was the first quarter. It was even more impressive that the effort came against a team as good as the Spurs, who saw their season record drop to 7-3.

Portland dominated in every aspect of the game in that period. They hit 88 percent of their field goal attempts (22-of-25), and all five of their 3-point attempts on the way to a team-record 49 points.

In the process, Portland also limited the Spurs to 18 points, which was the number of points the Blazers scored in the period off San Antonio turnovers.

The Blazers were able to extend their lead almost every trip down the floor in that quarter, and finally pushed their advantage to 31 when Cliff Robinson hit a 3-pointer with five seconds left.

The period also featured 10 assists by Porter, which is a team record for a quarter; and 15 points and four blocked shots by Drexler. Porter finished with 16 assists and Drexler had 14 rebounds in the game.

''I don't ever remember seeing a better first quarter, not only shooting. We were so aggressive defensively,'' said Portland coach Rick Adelman. ''We seemed to capitalize on everyting. It was amazing, when you do it against a team like San Antonio.''

''I've never seen any team play a better first quarter in my life,'' said David Robinson. ''If they're doing that against other people, it's going to be a scary season for the rest of us.''

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Elsewhere in the NBA Sunday night, Detroit overpowered Sacramento 105-92,

Houston thumped Minnesota 107-91 and the LA Clippers routed Orlando 119-91.

PISTONS 105, KINGS 92

At Auburn Hills, Mich., James Edwards scored a season-high 26 points and Mark Aguirre added 17 to help the Pistons extend their winning streak to seven games. The triumph enabled the Pistons, 10-2, to tie the club's best start in history. Detroit, which had six players in double figures, won 10 of its first 12 games in the 1988-89 season. The Kings dropped their third consecutive game.

ROCKETS 107, TIMBERWOLVES 91

At Minneapolis, Akeem Olajuwon scored 27 points, grabbed 20 rebounds and blocked four shots to lead the Rockets. Houston snapped a two-game losing streak in winning their first game in Minneapolis after going 0-2 in 1989-90. It was only the Rockets second win in seven road games this season.

CLIPPERS 119, MAGIC 91

At Los Angeles, Charles Smith scored 21 points and Benoit Benjamin added 18 and grabbed a season-high 18 rebounds to lead the Clippers, who have won three of their last four games. Terry Catledge led Orlando with 16 points and Sam Vincent added 14 to pace the Magic, 3-10, which suffered its fourth straight loss.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - World supplies of crude oil now stand about 70 million barrels higher than a year ago as producers in October more than made up for oil lost from the U.N. embargo of Iraq and Kuwait, it was reported Monday.

The authoritative Petroleum Intelligence Weekly estimated inventories of free-market countries as of Oct. 31 at 5.333 billion barrels compared to 5.264 billion barrels a year earlier.

In its new Stocks & Balances report, the newsletter said world supply in October outpaced demand by 2.2 million barrels a day.

"That's largely because oil demand growth came to an abrupt stop in September and slid in October an estimated two percent below year-earlier levels, or 1.2 million barrels a day," it said. The drop in demand was "predominantly in the industrialized countries," the newsletter added.

It said useable world commercial stocks stood at 14 days of supply, the same level as in July before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the U.N. embargo and Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports that followed.

The embargo took an estimated 4.3 million barrels of crude out of world markets. This, however, has been largely made up by increased production from Saudi Arabia and other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

The newsletter said 795 million barrels of the Oct. 31 world inventories was made up strategic reserves maintained by larged industrialized countries such as the United States, Germany, and Japan. Strategic reserves were 775 million barrels a year earlier, it said.

The inventory figures also did not include stocks of the Soviet Union, China, or East Europe because they are too difficult to estimate accurately, a spokesman said.

He said about one billion barrels of the 5.333 billion-barrel inventory figure is less precise because it is based on the amount of oil needed to keep the less developed countries going rather than any direct estimate of their stocks. "Estimates are very difficult for developing countries," the spokesman said.

The newsletter estimated that world demand, including the Soviet Union, China, and Eastern Europe, averaged 65.2 million barrels a day from July through September, an increase of about 1.1 million barrels daily, or 1.7 percent. World oil output also averaged the same amount during the period, despite the U.N. embargo, it said.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - Shortly before word came of the decision by Saddam, Dennis Trundy of Brockton, Massachusetts, reported that his wife had secured the release of her twin brother. Trundy said his wife and two of her other brothers met Saddam this morning and he told them that their 44-year-old brother, John Stevenson, could leave Iraq. Stevenson had been in Kuwait as a bank computer analyst. He was taken captive by Iraqi forces on October 20th.

The Iraqi foreign minister flew to Moscow today, but he probably didn't like the message he got from his Soviet counterpart. A spokesman says Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze told Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to honor the U-N Security Council resolutions calling for a withdrawal from Kuwait. The spokesman also said Shevardnadze would fly to New York City on Wednesday. The Security Council is discussing a resolution to authorize the use of force against Iraq.

Prime Minister Hun Sen of the Vietnamese-backed government in Cambodia is backing away from key parts of a United Nations peace plan. He said in a broadcast in Cambodia yesterday that U-N forces will NOT have administrative

powers and would be allowed to carry only pistols for self-defense. He also objected to a disarmament proposal that would store weapons in warehouses.

The fire roaring through aviation fuel storage tanks at Stapleton International Airport in Denver now involves four of the storage facilities. Higher winds helped spread the flames from the first two tanks, and Denver firefighters now say it may be late today or early tomorrow before they bring the flames under control. At least five firefighters have been treated for smoke inhalation and heat exhaustion.

The Los Angeles-based entertainment conglomerate M-C-A is being sold to Japan's Matshushita Electric for six-point-one- BILLION dollars. The 66-dollar-a-share offer finalizes a buy-out that had been rumored for months. It also represents the second time in less than 16 months that the parent of a major Hollywood movie studio has been sold to a Japanese company.

New information from the federal Centers for Disease Control indicates an increase in the number of people over age 50 who have contracted AIDS. The reports indicate that AIDS is showing up far more often in people over 50 than in children under 13. The number of older persons with AIDS apparently had been under- estimated in the past on the assumption that the symptoms were just a sign of aging and NOT an indication of the disease.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - SUNDAY'S NBA BOX SCORES:

ORLANDO (91)

Anderson 4-10 4-5 12, Catledge 7-13 2-5 16, Kite 2-3 0-0 4, Vincent 4-14 6-8 14, Reynolds 2-10 4-4 8, Scott 2-7 1-2 6, Wright 4-10 5-7 13, O.Smith 2-10 4-5 8, Skiles 1-3 2-2 4, Turner 2-4 0-0 4, Acres 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 30-84 30-40 91.

LA CLIPPERS (119)

Kimble 8-11 0-1 16, C.Smith 8-14 5-9 21, Benjamin 7-14 4-5 18, Grant 7-11 0-0 14, Garland 3-8 0-0 6, Manning 2-7 1-2 5, Garrick 4-7 3-3 11, Vaught 5-9 5-6 15, Martin 2-5 0-0 4, Bannister 1-1 3-6, 5, Butler 1-3 0-0 2, Ball 1-2 0- 0 2. Totals 49-92 21-32 119.

Orlando	15	25	27	24-- 91	LA Clippers	27	34	27	31--119

Three-point goals-Scott. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Orlando 25, LA Clippers 30. Rebounds-Orlando 35 (O.Smith 7), LA Clippers 60 (Benjamin 18). Assists-Orlando 15 (Vincent 7), LA Clippers 29 (Garland 9). Technical fouls-LA Clippers illegal defense, Catledge. A-10,691.

SAN ANTONIO (103)

Elliott 4-15 3-4 11, Cummings 7-15 1-2 16, D. Robinson 10-19 6-7 26, Strickland 7-14 0-0 14, Anderson 3-11 2-2 8, Green 2-3 0-0 4, Pressey 2-7 2-2 6, Greenwood 4-4 0-0 8, R. Williams 4-6 0-0 10. Totals 43-94 14-17 103.

PORTLAND (117)

Kersey 5-10 4-7 14, B. Williams 4-6 3-4 11, Duckworth 10-14 2-2 22, Drexler 9-22 1-2 20, Porter 7-11 5-6 21, Ainge 2-6 0-0 6, C. Robinson 8-13 1-1 18, Young 0-1 0-0 0, Bryant 2-3 0-0 4, Cooper 0-0 1-2 1. Totals 47-86 17-24 117.

San Antonio	18	32	27	26--103	Portland	49	15	25	28--117

Three-point goals-Cummings, R. Williams 2, Drexler, Porter 2, Ainge 2, C. Robinson. Fouled out-none. Team fouls-San Antonio 26, Portland 24. Rebounds-San Antonio 38 (D. Robinson 12), Portland 39 (Drexler 14). Assists-San Antonio 32 (Anderson 11), Portland 34 (Porter 16). A-12,884.

HOUSTON (107)

Johnson 8-12 4-7 20, Thorpe 9-12 2-3 20, Olajuwon 13-17 1-3 27, Maxwell 3-10 5-5 12, Smith 7-14 3-3 19, Floyd 0-2 1-1 1, Wood 0-2 0-0 0, Winchester 2-6 0-0 4, Smith 0-1 0-0 0, Feitl 0- 0 0-0 0, Woodson 0-2 2-2 2, Jamerson 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 43-80 18-25 107.

MINNESOTA (91)

Corbin 10-15 0-3 20, Murphy 5-9 0-2 10, Mitchell 5-16 1-3 11, Campbell 1-10 1-2 3, Richardson 11-20 0-0 22, Thornton 0-2 0-0 0, Spencer 0-1 0-0 0, Brooks 2-5 0-0 5, West 1-1 1-2 3, Glass 7-12 1-1 15, Coffey 0-0 0-0 0, Breuer 1-4 0-0 2. Totals 43-95 4-13 91.

Houston	19	26	23	39--107	Minnesota	19	23	17	32-- 91

Three-point goals-Smith 2, Maxwell; Brooks. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Houston 17, Minnesota 18. Rebounds- Houston 54 (Olajuwon 20), Minnesota 51 (Mitchell 7). Assists-Houston 27 (Smith 10), Minnesota 29 (Richardson 7). Technical fouls-Houston 1 (Olajuwon), Minnesota 5, illegal defenses. A-19,118.

SACRAMENTO (92)

Simmons 5-11 0-1 10, Tisdale 7-16 5-8 19, Wennington 2-8 4-4 8, Mays 3-7 3-5 10, Sparrow 6-11 2-2 14, Carr 8-15 1-1 17, Sampson 0-1 0-0 0, Colter 1-3 0-0 2 Causwell 0-0 0-0 0, Leckner 2- 4 0-0 4, Calloway 3-5 2-2 8. Totals 37-81 17-23 92.

DETROIT (105)

Rodman 0-0 0-0 0, Edwards 8-13 10-11 26, Laimbeer 5-9 0-0 10, Dumars 3-8 6-6 12, Thomas 4-12 5-8 13, Salley 2-5 3-3 7, Johnson 8-11 0-0 16, Aguirre 5-8 5-8 17, Rollins 1-3 0-0 2, Blanks 0-1 0-0 0, Hastings 1-1 0-0 2, Bedford 0- 2 0-0 0. Totals 37-73 29-36 105.

Sacramento	19	27	21	25	92	Detroit	29	30	29	17	105

Three-point goals-Mays, Aguirre 2. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Sacramento 28, Detroit 20. Rebounds-Sacramento 34 (Simmons 8), Detroit 41 (Rodman 13). Assists-Sacramento 21 (Sparrow 5), Detroit 27 (Thomas 9). Technicals-Detroit, illegal defense. A-21,454.

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(NOV. 26) - SUNDAY'S NFL SCORING SUMMARIES:

PITTSBURGH	0	7	3	14-17
NY JETS	0	7	0	0- 7

Second Quarter

NYJ-Moore 53 pass from O'Brien (Leahy kick), 0:11.

Pitt-W. Williams 5 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 10:01. Third Quarter

Pitt-FG Anderson 33, 9:28. Fourth Quarter

Pitt-Hoge 1 run (Anderson kick), 3:06.

Pitt-Lipps 3 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 4:39.

A-57,806.

	Pitt	NYJ
First downs	22	8
Rushes-yards	37-158	20--73
Passing yards	175	100
Sacked-yards lost	2-12	2-12
3rd down eff.	5-13-38	4-10-40
4th down eff.	2-2-100	0-1-0
Passes	18-24-2	10-22-2
Punts	2-37.0	5-38.8
Punt returns-yds	3-18	1-0
KO returns-yds	2-8	5-84
Fumbles-lost	8-1	2-0
Penalties-yards	8--62	6-56
Time of possession	39:25	20:35 ---

LA RAMS	7	14	0	7-28
SAN FRANCISCO	0	7	10	0-17

First Quarter
LAR-Gary 22 pass from McGee (Lansford kick) 8:37 Second Quarter
LAR-Gary 10 run (Lansford kick) 2:25
SF-Taylor 5 pass from Montana (Cofer kick) 11:54
LAR-McGee 6 run (Lansford kick) 14:21. Third Quarter
SF-Sydney 23 pass from Montana (Cofer kick) 8:55.
SF-FG Cofer 42 Fourth Quarter LAR-Gary 1 run (Lansford kick) 12:29.

A-62,633

	LAR	SF
First downs	19	16
Rushes-yards	37--111	19--66
Passing yards	239	225
Sacked-yards lost	1--7	2--10
3rd down eff.	7--14--50.0	3--10--30.0
4th down eff.	0--0--000	0--1--000
Passes	17--28--1	23--38--3
Punts	7--37.3	4--37.5
Punt returns-yds	1--5	3--20
KO returns-yds	3--46	5--116
Fumbles-lost	1--1	3--3
Penalties-yards	5--35	6--52
Time of possession	33:18	26:42

NEW ENGLAND	7	7	0	0--14
PHOENIX	7	7	10	10--34

First quarter
Phx-Thompson 5 run (Del Greco kick), 6:03
NE-Stephens 18 pass from Hodson (Staurovsky kick), 13:43 Second quarter
Phx-Rosenbach 2 run (Del Greco kick), 5:15
NE-Cook 22 pass from Hodson (Staurovsky kick), 14:53 Third quarter
Phx-FG Del Greco 29, 2:46
Phx-Rosenbach 6 run (Del Greco kick), 8:09 Fourth quarter
Phx-Flagler 29 run (Del Greco kick), 3:08
Phx-FG Del Grceo 47, 12:54

A-30,110

	NE	Phx
First downs	16	25
Rushes--yards	20--114	38--201
Passing yards	142	162
Sacked--yards lost	5--40	4--26
3rd down eff.	8-14--57	8--13-62
Passes	17--29--0	15--26--0
Punts	6--44.8	2--45.0

Punt returns-yards	2--4	2--25
KO returns--yards	7--87	2--39
Fumbles--lost	2--2	2--1
Penalties--yards	6--53	5--43
Time of possession	24:41	35:19

KANSAS CITY	0	10	10	7--27
LA RAIDERS	0	10	7	7--24

First Quarter
No scoring Second Quarter
KC-FG Lowery 35, 2:49
LA-Allen 3 run (Jaeger kick), 12:57
KC-Harry 19 pass from DeBerg (Lowery kick), 14:21
LA-FG Jaeger 50, 15:00 Third Quarter
KC-B. Jones 11 pass from DeBerg (Lowery kick), 2:49
LA-Allen 10 run (Jaeger kick), 8:13
KC-FG Lowery 36, 14:09 Fourth Quarter
KC-B. Jones 11 pass from DeBerg (Lowery kick), 8:28
LA-Allen 5 run (Jaeger kick), 10:41

A-65,170

	KC	LA
First downs	16	20
Rushes-yards	31--97	30--155
Passing yards	142	211
Sacked-yards lost	1--7	5--27
3rd down eff.	5--11--45.0	6--10--60.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	12--21--0	10--19--0
Punts	4--35.3	2--42.0
Punt returns-yds	2--19	2--4
KO returns-yds	3--61	6--129
Fumbles-lost	1--0	4--3
Penalties-yards	5--30	9--50
Time of possession	31:06	28:54

MIAMI	14	13	3	0--30
CLEVELAND	0	3	3	7--13

First Quarter
Mia-Duper 5 pass from Marino (Stoyanovich kick), 5:14
Mia-Pruitt 35 pass from Marino (Stoyanovich kick), 13:37 Second Quarter
Mia-Smith 4 run (kick failed), 7:53
Mia-Glenn 31 interception return (Stoyanovich kick), 13:18
Cle-FG Kauric 36, 15:00 Third Quarter
Cle-FG Kauric 42, 6:05

Mia-FG Stoyanovich 40, 14:48 Fourth Quarter
Cle-Mack 2 run (Kauric kick), 6:13

A-70,225

	Mia	Cle
First downs	20	20
Rushes-yards	33--111	20--109
Passing yards	245	185
Sacked-yards lost	0--0	1--6
3rd down eff.	11--16--69	6--11--55
4th down eff.	0--0--0	0--0--0
Passes	16--29--0	17--37--2
Punts	2--50.5	3--35
Punt returns-yds	2--19	1--12
KO returns-yds	2--22	6--119
Fumbles-lost	0--0	0--0
Penalties-yards	5--28	7--50
Time of possession	33:55	26:05

N.Y. GIANTS	7	7	0	0--13
PHILADELPHIA	7	7	3	14--31

First Quarter
NYG-Ingram 15 pass from Simms (Bahr kick), 9:38
Phi-Barnett 49 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick), 11:21 Second Quarter
Phi-Cunningham 1 run (Ruzek kick), 8:39
NYG-Bavaro 4 pass from Simms (kick failed), 14:00 Third Quarter
Phi-FG Ruzek 39, 5:51 Fourth Quarter
Phi-Williams 6 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick), 1:48
Phi-Evans 23 interception return (Ruzek kick), 2:10

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	NYG	Phi
First downs	16	22
Rushes-yards	14-108	41-176
Passing yards	219	229
Sacked-yards lost	2--15	1--0
3rd down eff.	4-11-36.0	11-17-65.0
4th down eff.	0--1--00.0	1--2--50.0
Passes	17--40--2	17--31--0
Punts	6--39.5	2--53.5
Punt returns-yds	2--10	0--0
KO returns-yds	6--99	2--44
Fumbles-lost	0--0	2--2
Penalties-yards	8--63	6--38
Time of possession	21:21	38:39

INDIANAPOLIS	7	10	14	3	- 34
CINCINNATI	6	0	14	0	- 20

First Quarter
Cin-Woods 1 run (kick blocked), 8:13
Ind-Hester 19 pass from George (Biasucci kick), 14:15 Second Quarter
Ind-Dickerson 1 run (Biasucci kick), 8:27
Ind-FG Biasucci 22, 14:59 Third Quarter
Ind-Brooks 5 pass from George (Biasucci kick), 4:14
Ind-Morgan 6 pass from George (Biasucci kick), 5:30
Cin-Brown 21 pass from Esiason (Breech kick), 10:23
Cin-Brown 20 pass from Esiason (Breech kick), 12:58 Fourth Quarter
Ind-FG Biasucci 26, 9:56

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	Ind	Cin
First Downs	21	20
Rushes-Yards	35--182	22--145
Passing Yards	251	253
Sacked-Yards Lost	1--14	3--17
3rd Down Eff	5--13--38	1--9--11
4th Down Eff	0--0--0	2--4--50
Passes	21--31--0	20--35--1
Punts	4--45.5	4--40.7
Punt Returns-Yds	0--0	2--36
KO Returns-Yds	1--21	7--156
Fumbles-Lost	0--0	2--2
Penalties-Yards	3--25	6--45
Time of Poss.	34:03	25:57

CHICAGO	0	3	7	3	--13
MINNESOTA	13	21	7	0	--41

First Quarter
Min-FG Reveiz 41, 1:34
Min-FG Reveiz 45, 3:45
Min-Walker 2 run (Reveiz kick), 11:05 Second Quarter
Min-Walker 17 pass from Gannon (Reveiz kick), 2:26
Min-Jones 5 pass from Gannon (Reveiz kick), 6:45
Chi-FG Butler 40, 11:41
Min-A. Carter 22 pass from Gannon (Reveiz kick), 14:10 Third Quarter
Min-Merriweather 33 fumble return (Reveiz kick), 2:31
Chi-Green 10 pass from Harbaugh (Butler kick), 12:23 Fourth Quarter
Chi-FG Butler 43, 11:42

	Chi	Min

First downs	19	20
Rushes-yards	29--107	32--101
Passing yards	159	145
Sacked-yards lost	7--41	1--1
3rd down eff.	6--14--43	3--9--33
4th down eff.	0--1--00	1--1--100
Passes	31--20--0	19--12--0
Punts	3--47	3--38.3
Punt returns-yds	1--24	2--36
KO rturns-yards	7--120	4--116
Fumbles-lost	4--3	0--0
Penalties-yards	8--61	4--20
Time of possession	33:56	26:04

TAMPA BAY	0	3	7	0	--10
GREEN BAY	0	7	10	3	--20

First Quarter
No scoring. Second Quarter
GB-Sharpe 4 pass from Dilweg (Jacke kick), 7:45
TB-FG Christie 33, 14:49 Third Quarter
GB-Haddix 2 pass from Dilweg (Jacke kick), 2:28
GB-FG Jacke 25, 10:48
TB-Hill 11 pass from Testaverde (Christie kick), 14:07 Fourth Quarter
GB-FG Jacke 25, 3:34

A-53,677

	TB	GB
First downs	19	16
Rushes-yards	18--61	31--144
Passing yards	261	187
Sacked-yards lost	2--20	2--12
3rd down eff.	6--16--38.0	4--11--36.0
4th down eff.	1--2--50.0	0--1--00.0
Passes	25--49--0	13--22--0
Punts	6--39.2	3--40.2
Punt returns-yds	2--7	4--46
KO returns-yds	5--78	3--76
Fumbles-lost	3--2	2--1
Penalties-yards	6--48	0--00
Time of possession	27:56	32:04

ATLANTA	0	0	0	7	-- 7
NEW ORLEANS	0	3	0	7	--10

First Quarter
No scoring Second Quarter

NO-FG Andersen 47, 15:00 Third Quarter
No scoring Fourth Quarter
ATL-Thomas 51 pass from Miller (Davis kick), 7:54
NO-Martin 6 pass from Walsh (Andersen kick), 12:50

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	Atl	NO
First downs	9	19
Rushes-yards	17--59	33--85
Passing yards	167	173
Sacked-yards lost	4--25	1--18
3rd down eff.	2--14--14.0	4--15--27.0
4th down eff.	1--1--100	0--1--000
Passes	18--31--0	22--37--1
Punts	8--45.5	7--46.1
Punt returns-yds	6--50	5--14
KO returns-yds	2--32	1--19
Fumbles-lost	5--1	2--0
Penalties-yards	8--61	3--20
Time of possession	26:06	33:54

SEATTLE	0	3	0	7	3--13
SAN DIEGO	0	3	7	0	0--10

Second Quarter
Sea-FG Varney 20, 12:03
SD-FG N.Johnson 26, 14:54 Third Quarter
SD-Cox 8 pass from Tolliver (Carney kick), 9:16 Fourth Quarter
Sea-Fenner 1 run (N.Johnson kick), 10:42 Overtime
Sea-FG N.Johnson 40, 3:00

A-50,097

	Sea	SD
First downs	13	16
Rushes-yards	26--58	34--164
Passing yards	175	140
Sacked-yards lost	4--36	1--5
3rd down eff.	5--14--36.0	5--12--42.0
4th down eff.	0--0--0.0	0--0--0.0
Passes	18--26--0	15--22--2
Punts	6--39.8	5--37.4
Punt returns-yds	1--17	2--0
KO returns-yds	2--63	4--60
Fumbles-lost	6--2	4--3
Penalties-yards	6--56	7--68
Time of Possessn	31:54	31:07

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COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (NOV. 26) UPI - Tamil militants armed with AK-47 rifles, rocket-propelled grenades and mortars attacked a major army camp in northern Sri Lanka, and as many as 250 soldiers may have been killed, high ranking military sources said Monday.

Military sources said more than 1,500 guerrillas of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam attacked the army camp at Mankulam, about 150 miles north of Colombo, around 3 a.m. Friday.

The rebels and the Sri Lankan soldiers inside the camp battled for the next 36 hours, as rebels pounded the base with AK-47 rifles, rocket- propelled grenades and mortars that caused heavy damage and inflicted many casualties, military sources said.

''More than 500 soldiers in the camp were taken by surprise,'' a military source said. ''The mortars took the heaviest toll, over 250. The final count may go up to 270. That includes seven soldiers who escaped but were rounded up and shot on Sunday morning by rebels.''

Military sources said 65 rebels were killed during the encounter. Further details of the attack were sketchy, but more information was expected once some 50 soldiers who escaped from the camp reach the nearby military garrison at Vavuniya.

Fighting between security forces and the Tamil Tigers erupted in mid- June after rebels staged four simultaneous attacks on military bases in eastern Sri Lanka. Since then, more than 2,600 soldiers, rebels and civilians have been killed in the fighting.

Tiger rebels are fighting to establish an independent Tamil homeland in the northern and eastern provinces.

They believe that Sri Lanka's minority Tamils, who are mostly Hindu, need a separate nation because of years of alleged discrimination by the predominantly-Buddhist Sinhalese, who control the Colombo government.

The Sri Lankan government battled but failed to defeat several Tamil separatist groups from 1983 until 1987 when, in a bid to end the violence, Colombo signed a peace accord with New Delhi.

Under the terms of the agreement, India sent thousands of soldiers as a peace-keeping force to maintain law and order and to supervise the surrender of weapons by Tamil groups who agreed to disarm in exchange for greater autonomy in Tamil areas.

The only group that refused to participate in the process was the Tamil Tigers who claimed that the peace accord failed to fulfill the aspirations of the Tamil people.

The development triggered a war between the Tamil Tigers and the Indian army. At least 1,100 soldiers and 600 rebels died in the fighting.

India failed to defeat the rebels and finally withdrew its forces last March, leaving behind a fragile cease-fire between Colombo and the guerrillas.

That cease-fire, which many analysts thought might evolve into a lasting peace was shattered last June when the rebels attacked the military bases in eastern Sri Lanka.

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#90330u0239 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand a decision that the American Medical Association violated federal antitrust laws for years by classifying chiropractors as practitioners of an ''unscientific cult'' and attempting to have their profession outlawed.

The court refused to review a decision of the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which found the AMA violated the Sherman Act from 1967 to 1980 by discouraging its member physicians from associating professionally with chiropractors, making public statements that the practice was unscientific and dangerous, and trying to eliminate the chiropractic profession through legislation.

About half of the nation's 600,000 physicians are members of the influential AMA, a national association of physicians. The 7th Circuit found that by its anti-chiropractic actions that amounted to an ''illegal boycott,'' the AMA hampered free trade and thus helped its own members monopolize the health-care market.

The AMA claims its concerns over the methods of chiropractors, which have been strongly modified in recent years, were legitimate concerns for the health of consumers and the reputation of the medical profession.

Chiropractors specialize in the treatment of musculoskeletal ailments, especially back problems. There are more than 30,000 chiropractors nationwide, and their practices are now licensed in all 50 states and have gained growing acceptance in recent years by consumers and in medical circles.

But in the early 1960s, the AMA became convinced that chiropractic had become ''a unique threat to public health.'' It formed a ''Committee on Quackery'' to investigate chiropractic in 1963, and two years later launched a campaign to

''contain and ultimately eliminate'' the practice, which it classified as an ''unscientific cult.''

''Chiropractic had achieved some form of licensure in all but four states, and chiropractors were passing themselves off as 'family doctors' who could use spinal manipulation to prevent, diagnose, treat, and cure any condition - from polio, to tonsillitis, to heart disease, to diabetes, to high blood pressures, to the common cold,'' the AMA wrote in its brief to the high court.

The AMA said it based most of its longtime objection to the ''basic doctrine'' of chiropractic, which maintains that an ''innate force flowing through nerves in the body assures health and that diseases are caused by slight misalignments in the spinal columns that disrupt the flow of this vital 'nerve energy.'''

In 1977, faced with growing antitrust pressure and the emergence of a ''small group of 'reform' chiropractors that had renounced the traditional tenets of chiropractic and confined themselves to accepted physical therapy treatments '' the AMA reversed its ethical ban against its member physicians professionally associating with chiropractors.

But it continues to advise consumers against treatment from ''traditional chiropractors.''

At the end of 1980, four chiropractors brought suit against the AMA in federal court in Illinois and lost, a decision that was overturned by the 7th Circuit.

A lengthy court process led to a retrial in September 1987, when the trial court held that the AMA violated the Sherman Act. Last February, the 7th Circuit upheld the judgment.

''The AMA knew at an early date that chiropractic was licensed, effective, desired by many millions of consumers, and a competitive threat to medical physicians,'' the chiropractors wrote in their brief to the high court.

The chiropractors were not seeking damages but obtained an injunction against the AMA, upheld by the 7th Circuit, that the AMA be banned from interfering with the right of a ''physician, hospital or other institution to make an individual decision on the question of professional association.''

The injunction also required the AMA to arrange publication of the district court's order in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

The AMA contends the 7th Circuit decision conflicts with antitrust decisions of other federal circuit courts and the Supreme Court.

''Unless reversed, this (decision) will severely inhibit, and likely prevent, professions from continuing their traditional activities that enhance the

quality and reliability of physicians' services and prevent the long term erosion of public trust in the profession,'' the AMA argued.

90-542 American Medical Association vs. Chester A. Wilk, et al.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - A group of 19 House members, most of them members of the House Armed Services Committee, has left for Saudi Arabia to raise questions about Operation Desert Shield, the committee announced Monday.

The group left Sunday night for a week-long visit. The delegation was led by Rep. Nicholas Mavroules, D-Mass., head of the panel's subcommittee on investigations.

Excluding the visit over Thanksgiving by congressional leaders, it was the third delegation of House members to go to Saudi Arabia since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2. The other two delegations visited in early September.

Mavroules, in a statement announcing that the group had left, said they were armed with more questions now that the size of the deployment has increased.

Questions, he said, would include who will be in charge in the event of war and will the strains on the logistical system that have shown up in the past few months grow with the increase in the size of the U.S. commitment to the region.

Personnel issues, he said, also will be examined.

''In September, House members found that the latrines lacked the required chemicals to maintain sanitary standards, that there were no postage stamps so the troops couldn't write home and that some soldiers weren't being issued ammunition even while they were being put on guard duty and told to watch out for terrorists,'' Mavroules said.

''This time we'll be on the lookout for any similar gaps that could be a blow to morale, not to mention health and safety,'' he said.

The delegation also has asked to meet with military units from other nations that have sent troops to Saudi Arabia. No previous congressional delegation has met with any foreign forces. The troops of Saudi Arabia and other countries comprise slightly less than half the ground troops committed to Saudi Arabia.

Democrats making the trip were Mavroules, Marilyn Lloyd of Tennessee, Mary Rose Oakar of Ohio, Dennis Hertel of Michigan, Soloman Ortiz of Texas, Lane Evans of Illinois, Jerry Costello of Illinois and John Tanner of Tennessee.

Republicans include Larry Hopkins of Kentucky, Robert Lagomarsino of California, Robert Davis of Michigan, Robert Dornan of California, John Kasich of Ohio, Larry Combest of Texas, Curt Weldon of Pennsylvania, Jon Kyl of Arizona, Arthur Ravenal Jr. of South Carolina, Ronald Machtley of Rhode Island and Ileana Ros-Lehtinen of Florida.

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#90330u0269 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (NOV. 26) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ordered Monday the release of all American hostages whose wives were currently visiting Baghdad, Iraq's official news agency INA reported.

The agency, monitored in Cairo, said Saddam made the announcement during a meeting with wives of U.S. hostages who are being held as human shields at strategic Iraqi sites to ward off Western attack.

The agency did not say how many U.S. hostages would be affected.

''The president ordered Iraqi authorities to allow American families to accompany their relatives currently in Baghdad to travel home on the occasion of their visit to Iraq,'' INA said.

''Starting this moment, you will have an additional right exceeding the rights of Iraqi citizens,'' the agency quoted Saddam as saying, in an apparent reference to the need for Iraqi citizens to secure exit visas before they can travel abroad.

Last week Saddam ordered the release of 10 British husbands after their wives arrived in Baghdad to plead for their freedom.

Saddam was quoted as saying during his meeting with the American families that Iraq wanted peace, because it is in a ''very bad need for such peace,'' INA reported.

The Iraqi leader accused the Bush administration of playing the role of a world policeman carrying ''a heavy stick and twirling its moustache.''

-30- 1543

#90330u0272 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, Poland (NOV. 26) UPI - Solidarity leader Lech Walesa led in Poland's first direct presidential election but a businessman who lived abroad for 20 years took second place ahead of Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, exit polls showed.

The dramatic developments Sunday made a runoff likely on Dec. 9 between Walesa

and the elusive, wealthy Stanislaw Tyminski, who recently returned to Poland after 21 years abroad with Canadian and Peruvian passports and a Peruvian wife.

Walesa captured 39.3 percent of the vote in the six-way race, short of the 50 percent required to avoid a runoff, the German polling firm INFAS said. Tyminski had 23.2 percent and Mazowiecki had 19.9 percent, INFAS said.

The projections were made with about two-thirds of the results in from exit polling from some 20,000 voters in 409 precincts, INFAS said. The firm said its final figures would be unlikely to change the projected outcome.

The official Polish news agency said that more than 60 percent of the 27 million electorate took part in the voting.

The independent newspaper Gazeta Wyborcza predicted Walesa's win in the second round.

''Tyminski is not going to win with Walesa,'' said Gazeta Wyborcza. ''But he may become a leader of a brand new opposition.''

In a concession statement, Mazowiecki called on his election committees not to disband, but instead to be turned into ''committees for democracy'' that will become an opposition movement to Walesa.

''We shall fight for democracy,'' the prime minister said.

Mazowiecki, whose tough austerity measures stabilized Poland's hyperinflation rate and endeared him to Western creditors, insisted he was not insulted by the results.

''These first results indicate Polish society is going through a crisis,'' he said. ''I am not going to feel offended by the nation and I believe in its maturity - if not now, then in the future.''

INFAS has monitored most elections in Eastern Europe's newly emerging democracies the past two years and its projections have never erred more than 3 percent.

It was the first time Poles elected their own president. Poland's five previous presidents were elected by the Parliament.

About 64 percent of the 27.5 million Poles eligible to vote went to the polls, INFAS said.

Walesa, who masterminded the peaceful handover of power in 1989 by the Communist Party to a Solidarity-led coalition government, directed a drive this summer that is forcing former Communist Party leader Wojciech Jaruzelski to step down only one year into his six-year term.

Walesa was polling ahead in all age groups, followed by Tyminsky in second place among the young and middle-aged, INFAS said. Mazowiecki led among the intelligentsia, while Walesa polled higher among workers and farmers.

Tyminski, whose strong showing in the closing days of the campaign sent shock waves both the Walesa and Mazowiecki camps, refused to talk to reporters when he voted.

A businessman who made his fortune computer and electronics equipment, Tyminski returned to Poland after 21 years overseas to run for president.

He attracted Poles with his promise of quick profits for those who work hard despite a depressed economy that has seen a nearly 40 percent drop in the standard of living this year due to the Solidarity-led government's economic stabilization program.

The candidate of the renamed Communist Party, Wlodzimierz Cimosiewicz, was projected to get 9 percent of the vote. Peasant Party leader Roman Bartoszcze was expected to wind up with 7.5 percent and Leszek Moczulski, head of the right-wing Confederation for an Independent Poland, 2.5 percent.

A total of 22,241 polling stations were set up around the country, plus another 177 stations for Poles abroad and 295 on Polish ships.

Poland's first president was Gabriel Narutowicz, who was assassinated shortly after he took office in 1922. Poland also has had six presidents-in-exile based in London since the start of World War II in 1939, when Poland lost its independence.

The president has the right to nominate prime minister and will be the commander-in-chief of the armed forces.

In Krakow, Pope John Paul II was listed among those eligible to vote at one of the polling stations, under his Polish name Karol Wojtyla.

The pontiff's successor in Krakow, Cardinal Franciszek Macharski, said he prayed as he cast his vote that the Polish nation, ''which used to find strength and unity in protest, will find also strength and unity in joint efforts to build society.''

Under an agreement between Solidarity and the communists, Solidarity took over a coalition government while Jaruzelski, was elected president by parliament.

He agreed to step down several weeks ago amid growing pressure from Poles who do not want a former communist representing their emerging democracy.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday refused to decide if a Florida county placed white-owned businesses at an illegal disadvantage through regulations meant to increase minority business participation in the construction industry.

The high court's refusal to become involved at this stage of the dispute sends it back to federal district court in Tampa for trial. Depending on its outcome it could be appealed back to the Supreme Court in the future.

Mandatory regulations were passed in Hillsborough County, Fla., in 1984 - after the regulations were tried on a voluntary basis for six years - on the premise that the construction industry, like much of society, discriminated against blacks and other minorities. The regulations were implemented, however without any legal evidence of racial discrimination in construction contracts in the county.

A federal district court in Tampa, in a summary judgment, held that the county's minority businesses enterprise policy was illegal, violating the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment as it applies to white construction contractors and sub-contractors. It likened the program to one struck down in January 1989 by the Supreme Court in the case of Richmond, Va. vs. J.A. Croson Co.

The high court in that case ruled that the minority set-aside program imposed on the construction industry of Richmond was illegal because it was not based on specific identifiable instances of discrimination. It also held that past societal discrimination alone could not justify such a program.

The 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in August ruled the Hillsborough County minority preference program could withstand summary judgment, finding that the Florida case differed significantly from the Richmond case.

The 11th Circuit sent the case back to the lower court for a trial for a jury to decide based on the specific issues whether there was reverse discrimination, but the white-owned construction companies then appealed directly to the Supreme Court. The case now goes to trial.

The 11th Circuit ruled that the high court in the Richmond case did not exclude all such minority preference programs, but simply imposed tougher standards that must be met. Those new standards include evidence of actual instances of past discrimination, proof that the plan is needed to remedy discrimination, and a showing that the plan is ''narrowly tailored'' to meet that goal.

''Hillsborough County's ... law is materially different from the Richmond plan mainly because the Hillsborough County law was enacted as a result of

statistics tabulated during the six years that the (voluntary) program was in effect,'' the 11th Circuit wrote.

''The statistics gleaned from these studies provide a prima facie case of discrimination,'' the court held.

In its appeal to the high court, a coalition of nine white-owned construction companies argued ''there was and is no evidence'' that discrimination existed in the industry in Hillsborough County, and claimed the ''entire program was created for an improper purpose .... and was created, implemented, and enforced using arbitrary goals.''

The group claims the county based its regulations on a ''disparity'' in overall public expenditures - not solely the construction industry - and on ''unsubstantiated and undocumented complaints of discrimination.''

Under the plan, a contractor who has agreed to subcontract with ample minority or female-owned businesses and is the low bidder for a public project is granted the contract.

If the contractor is deemed ''non-responsive'' to the minority preference goals, the contract is awarded to the next lowest ''responsive'' bidder, unless the difference in the bids exceed $100,000 or 15 percent of the cost of the project.

The county claims the program in just four years has increased minority and female participation in county contracts from less than 4 percent to 15.6 percent.

''(The Richmond case) provides a vivid example of a minority business program that was enacted without sufficient consideration, and operated in too draconian a manner, to meet 14th Amendment standards,'' the county wrote the high court. ''This case presents an equally vivid example of a program whose legislative foundation is comprehensive and reliable, and whose provisions are well tailored to its goal.''

But the white-owned businesses, led by the Cone Corp., strongly disagreed.

''Programs which apportion public dollars along racial lines in order to insure that all groups get their 'fair share' are, if anything, even more suspect than those which seek to apportion educational resources; they are simply racial pork barrels created by elected officials seeking to curry favor with this or that particular ethnic or racial group. This is an anathema in a free society.''

90-587 The Cone Corp., et al., vs. Hillsborough County

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 26) UPI - The U.S. Navy may soon find itself locked in a fierce battle with an even tougher opponent than Saddam Hussein - the U.S. Air Force.

At stake is the future of a proposed combined finance center to handle military pay functions, a business magazine reported Monday.

The Navy Finance Center in Cleveland employs 1,500 and is credited with pumping $50 million annually into the northeast Ohio's economy. But the Air Force wants a new combined center in Denver - where the Air Force now has its own Finance Center.

Capt. Thomas Nelson, second-in-command at the Navy Finance Center, told Crain's Cleveland Business that he is aware of ongoing Air Force maneuvers inside the Pentagon and in Congress to push an Air Force consolidation plan.

Nelson said he recently spent time in Washington telling top Defense Department officials why the Navy's payroll center should remain in Cleveland.

''Our position is well-known, which is that it makes no sense to move any operations to Denver,'' Nelson said.

Rep. Mary Rose Oakar, D-Ohio, said the Air Force recently tried to get Congress to go on record in favor of the Denver consolidation plan. Oakar, who is from Cleveland, said she helped kill the language in a defense appropriations bill before it reached the House floor.

''The Air Force is trying to pull a fast one,'' Oakar said. ''The Navy hasn't been as zealous as the Air Force, which has been very tencious about this.

''The Navy Finance Center is the best operation of its kind in the system,'' Oakar said. ''It has the highest productivity - and they should be consolidating the system in Cleveland. I will be watching for the Air Force's study results.''

The Air Force earlier this year made a presentation to Pentagon officials on transferring all military pay functions to Denver, and the Air Force has been picked to perform an economic analysis of computer software systems used in processing military pay.

The Army Finance Center is in Indianapolis and the Marine Corps handles its payroll in Kansas City, Mo.

Nelson said the Navy has reserved the right to file a minority report.

Capt. Jeffrey Szalapski, commanding officer of the Navy Finance Center, is

confident.

''We're not vulnerable and I don't feel threatened,'' Szalapski said, adding that decisions regarding consolidations of military payroll operations ''will be made at the highest levels of the Department of Defense.''

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OMAHA (NOV. 26) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 1,700; slaughter steers and heifers fully steady with last Tuesday; slaughter cows and bulls not established; steers choice No 2-4 1100-1300 lb 81.00-82.25, few loads and part loads 82.50-83.00, select and choice No 2- 3 1050-1250 lb 80.00-81.00, select 77.50-80.00; holsteins select and choice No 2-3 1200-1450 lb 70.00-71.00; heifers choice No 2-4 975-1250 lb 80.50-82.00, couple part loads 82.50-82.75, select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 79.50-81.00, select 77.00-79.50.

Hog slaughter 2,600, butchers 1.00 lower, No 1-3 215-260 lb 49.50-50.00, Nos 2-3 250-290 lb 47.50-49.00; sows 25 percent, weights under 500 lb 50 higher, over 500 lb steady, No 1-3 350-500 lb mostly 42.50, No 2-3 500 650 lb 45.50-46.00.

Sheep 200, slaughter lambs and ewes steady, shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 110- 130 lb No 1-2 pelts 46.00-47.00, weights outside these ranges discounted; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb 44.00- 45.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 26) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

Major potato markets: FOB shipping points, per hundredweight unless otherwise stated:

Round reds (100 lb sacks) Colorado 8.50-9.00. Minnesota-North Dakota 9.00-9.50.

Norkotahs and Burbanks (100 lb sacks, non- size A) Colorado 6.00-6.50, Idaho 6.50-7.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) Wisconsin 12.00- 14.00, Washington 15.00, Colorado 12.00-15.00, Idaho 14.00-16.00, Oregon 14.00-16.00; (50 lb cartons, 100 count) Wisconsin 8.00-8.50, Washington 11.00-12.00, Colorado 10.00-12.00, Idaho 9.50-11.00, Oregon 10.00-12.00.

Round whites (100 lb sacks) Wisconsin 5.75- 6.00.

Colorado centennials (100 lb sacks, non-size A) 5.50-6.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) 9.00- 12.00, (100 count) 7.50-9.00.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 26) UPI - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, visiting the Soviet Union, was told Monday to let all Soviet citizens leave his country or face a tougher stand from Moscow in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Mikhail Gorbachev, speaking at the Supreme Soviet, warned Iraq to abandon any hope it could break Soviet-U.S. unity on getting Baghdad out of Kuwait.

Aziz arrived in Moscow as the U.N. Security Council was readying to formulate a resolution setting a timetable for Iraq to leave Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2 and then annexed.

Aziz began immediate discussions with Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and was told in no uncertain terms to obey the Security Council resolutions on getting out of Kuwait.

Apparently, in even stronger terms, the Soviets accused Iraq of creating obstacles on allowing all Soviet nationals to leave the Middle East nation.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Vitaly Churkin said instead of the 1,000 Soviet citizens scheduled to leave in November, only 350 were able to exit.

The gap, Churkin said, between words and deeds ''was abnormal and inadmissible.''

''If the Iraqi side does not promptly remove all the barriers it artificially erected against the return of Soviet citizens and fails to ensure their unhampered departure from Iraq, it will further complicate relations between the Soviet Union and Iraq and compel us to take a tougher position with regard to the gulf situation,'' Churkin said.

As the former main supplier of arms to Iraq during the Iran-Iraq war, Moscow still maintains great leverage with the regime in Baghdad.

But Gorbachev warned Iraq that Moscow wants U.N. resolutions obeyed.

''The Soviet Union will continue to cooperate with other countries to show Saddam Hussein there is no hope and no grounds to believe that he can break international unity,'' Gorbachev said.

''We cannot allow this since we have just started moving away from the Cold War,'' he said.

Gorbachev, whose administration cut off arms supplies to Iraq a day after the incursion into Kuwait, suggested that supplies of weapons and military technologies be curbed to all Third World countries to prevent wars.

Developments in the Persian Gulf make one take a look at the entire problem in a new light,'' he told parliament. ''Resolving it is in our interests, in the interests of Europe, the United States and the ''States and the

Churkin, the Foreign Ministry spokesman, said Shevardnadze will leave Wednesday for the United Nations, where the resolution tightening the noose on Iraq will be discussed.

The landmark session at the Security Council, to be held Thursday, may be a major turning point on getting an Iraqi pullback or may mark a step toward war.

In the fast-paced diplomacy aimed at averting a Middle East war, Churkin also announced that Saudi Foreign Minister Saud al-Faisal will arrive in Moscow Tuesday. Until this year, the Saudis did not even have diplomatic relations with Moscow.

Churkin, appointed the new ministry spokesman this month replacing Gennady Gerasimov, said Aziz and Shevardnadze had talked for at least four hours.

Churkin said in no uncertain terms Moscow was telling its one-time ally Iraq that it had to obey the resolutions passed by the Security Council.

''From the Soviet side, the negotiations are about the necessity that Iraq carry out the Security Council resolutions,'' Churkin said.

From the beginning, a series of U.N. resolutions, all backed by Moscow, have demanded that Iraq must unconditionally leave the tiny oil state it took over by force.

The Soviet Union has lined up behind the United States in condemning Iraq for the Kuwait invasion from the first day of the incursion.

Less clear, however, is whether the Soviet Union would finally vote with the United States at the U.N Security Council on authorizing military force to make Saddam Hussein give up his Kuwaiti occuaption.

Shevardnadze returned this week from Beijing, where he discussed the upcoming resolution at the Security Council with China, one of the five permanent members of that body. The other four are Britain, France, the United States and the Soviet Union.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Albertson's Inc (3rd Q 11-1)	
$2,021,591,000	$1,843,646,000
$55,817,000 (.42)	a-$46,255,000 (.35)
a-Adjusted to reflect 2-for-1 stock split paid June 29, 1990.	
Astro-Med Inc (3rd Q 10-27)	
$6,845,000	$5,659,000
$591,000 (.18)	$450,000 (.14)
Brandon Systems Corp (4th Q 9-30)	
$9,835,000	$8,132,000
$627,000 (.23)	$534,000 (.19)
Cardinal Financial (4th Q 9-30)	
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d-$1,883,000	$244,000 (.20)
d-Deficit.	
Cato Corp (3rd Q 9-30)	
$55,008,000	$58,581,000
d-$692,000	ad-$1,534,000
ad-Deficit, includes $192,000 of restructuring costs.	
d-Deficit.	
Charming Shopes (3rd Q 11-3)	
$218,396,000	$192,542,000
$8,584,000 (.17)	$7,105,000 (.14)
Electro-Sensors Inc (3rd Q 9-30)	
$1,097,152	$1,144,108
$83,548 (.05)	$127,351 (.07)
Everest & Jennings (3rd Q 9-30)	
$53,471,000	$48,743,000

ad-$38,376,000 d-$2,844,000
ad-Deficit, includes a $32,400,000 charge for restructuring and consolidation expenses and associated costs relating to the writedown of certain assets and provisions for certain liabilities.
d-Deficit.

Fortune Petroleum Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$342,000 $230,000
$88,000 (.07) $4,000 (.01)

Genovese Drug Stores (3rd Q 11-9)
$93,461,000 $90,217,000
$983,000 (.15) $599,000 (.09)

Hills Department Stores (3rd Q 11-3)
$557,699,000 $526,794,000
d-$3,990,000 $2,151,000 (.11)
d-Deficit.

Oshawa Group (3rd Q 11-3)
$1,210,058,000 $1,182,088,000
$15,399,000 (.43) $13,823,000 (.43)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Pacificare Health Systems (4th Q 9-30)
$272,815,000 $190,579,000
$5,916,000 (.49) $4,076,000 (.36)

Seneca Foods Corp (1st Q 10-27)
$80,074,000 $80,773,000
$514,000 (.16) $667,000 (.18)

Trans World Music (3rd Q 11-30)
$74,432,000 $66,858,000
$992,000 (.11) $1,878,000 (.21)

Transalta Utilities (9 Mos 9-30)
$782,400,000 $713,800,000
$123,100,000 (.62) $144,500,000 (.78)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Tridel Enterprises (9 Mos 9-30)
$460,159,000 $512,092,000
$24,473,000 (2.08) $69,618,000 (6.28)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand a decision that military efforts to identify U.S. servicemen killed in action can legally meet less stringent standards than those accepted by most civilian medical examiners.

The court refused to review a decision that the military cannot be sued for erroneously making a ''positive'' identification of remains as those of a specific U.S. serviceman shot down during the Vietnam War, then refusing to return him to missing-in-action status.

The case involves a suit brought by the wife, mother and daughter of Lt. Col. Thomas Hart III, one of 16 crew members shot down Dec. 21, 1972, over Pakse, Laos, while aboard a U.S. Air Force AC130 aircraft.

Two crew members parachuted to safety and a third was declared dead soon after the plane crash, but the 13 others were listed as missing in action.

In 1985, after a joint excavation of the crash site by U.S. and Laotian governments uncovered bone fragments and other materials, the Army Central Identification Laboratory (CILHI) in Hawaii announced it had positively identified all 13 MIAs, and said Hart had been identified based in part on seven of some 50,000 bone fragments recovered at the site.

Hart's wife, Anne Hart, sued to have an expert forensic anthropologist examine the remains. He found that positive identification was impossible based on the evidence.

Anne Hart then objected to the government's classification of her husband as dead based on the remains, and was told that if she did not wish to accept the remains, they would be buried anyway at Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors.

At the same time an independent, civilian inquiry into the operation of CILHI was approved by the secretary of the Air Force, and burial of the disputed remains was postponed.

The civilian panel found that only two of the 13 members of Hart's crew could be positively identified from the remains, and he was not one of them. The government acknowledged that ''some of the Pakse identifications did not appear to be justified according to standard forensic methods and therefore could not withstand scientific scrutiny.''

The government notified the families of the 13 crew members, but refused to return Lt. Col. Hart to ''unaccounted-for'' status.

Anne Hart, her mother-in-law Vera Lee Hart, and her daughter Gillian Hart filed suit in Florida under the Federal Tort Claims Act.

Under the FTCA, the government maintains immunity from suits involving discretionary functions or duties of the government or employees, while it waives governmental immunity from suits for injuries or losses resulting from government negligence.

The discretionary functions exception was designed to avoid having the courts second guess government decisions.

Federal court in Pensacola, Fla., awarded the Harts $632,800 in compensation after a jury found the government guilty of ''intentional infliction of emotional distress.''

But the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals reversed, finding that government efforts to account for, identify and bury dead U.S. servicemen are based on policy judgments and therefore immune from suit under the discretionary function exception to the FTCA.

''Government efforts to identify deceased personnel are clearly discretionary functions,'' wrote the 11th Circuit, while acknowledging the government employs fair less stringent standards in obtaining a ''positive'' identification than would be done in civilian forensics.

Anne Hart, who claimed to have some reports that her husband may be alive and being held prisoner, argued that labeling him ''accounted for'' without stronger scientific proof could encourage captors to kill him.

The government argued that if its soldier identification program were ''constrained by the dictates of forensic anthropology currently prevailing in the civilian scientific community, CILHI's ongoing identification project would be severely hampered.''

It argued the identification program reflects ''the government's policy that, to the extent possible, remains of American servicemen killed in action should be identified and afforded proper burials. This policy embodies political, moral, and military judgments.''

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CHICAGO (NOV. 26) UPI - Concerned about an earthquake? An insurance group suggests you take a look at your house's foundation, your water heater and the trees in your yard.

Taking in a supply of fresh batteries isn't such a bad idea, either, and someone in the family should know first aid, the Illinois Insurance

Information Service said Monday.

''Whether the prediction of a major earthquake occurs or not - and most experts agree it is impossible to predict the exact date of such an occurrence - the IIIS and the Department of Insurance believe now is the time to inform the public and fully as possible,'' IIIS Executive Director Ken Towers said.

The agency recommended:

-A family emergency plan and first-aid training.

-Bolting down water heaters and strapping them to a wall.

-Checking with a builder or architect to be sure frame houses are firmly anchored to foundations.

-Inspecting chimneys and protecting against bricks shaking loose and falling into the house.

-Securing tall furniture, mirrors, picture frames, hanging plants, lamps and the like.

-Securing cabinet doors, perhaps with child-proof latches, to prevent them from swinging open.

-Installing flexible connectors for gas lines.

-Making sure someone knows how to shut off gas, water and electricity.

-Removing trees that are leaning over buildings or are weak and likely to fall.

-Obtaining fresh batteries for radios, flashlights and other emergency equipment.

If a major quake does occur, experts advise staying indoors and seeking safety under a heavy piece of furniture. Avoid windows and basements. After a quake, the IIIS recommended:

-Making first aid the first priority and staying alert for aftershocks.

-Checking utilities and shutting off any that are damaged.

-Collecting food, water, medicine and sleeping materials.

-Cleaning up any dangerous materials that have been spilled.

-Checking to make sure sewer lines are intact before flushing toilets.

-Using the telephone only to deal with emergencies.

-Listing damaged and destroyed property and contacting an insurance agent.

-Avoiding hasty repairs and checking the credentials of anyone offering to work on damaged property.

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BAKERSFIELD, Calif. (NOV. 26) UPI - Auto racer Billy Vukovich, the grandson of two-time Indianapolis 500 winner Bill Vukovich, was killed in a practice session accident at the Mesa Marin Raceway in Bakersfield.

Witnesses said Vukovich, 27, of Fresno, was practicing Sunday in an open-wheel sprint car which slammed head-on into a retaining wall at 130 miles per hour on the third turn. He suffered massive head injuries and was pronounced dead on arrival at Kern Medical Center 45 minutes later.

Kern County Coroner's officials scheduled an autopsy for Monday.

Vukovich was named rookie of the year at Indianapolis in 1988, finishing 14th, and had driven in the last two Indy 500 races. He began his racing career in 1981 by driving midgets at dirt tracks around the San Joaquin Valley.

His father, Billy Vukovich Jr., drove in 12 Indy 500 races and finished second in 1973.

Vukovich's grandfather, Bill, won the Indy 500 in 1953 and 1954 and was leading the race in 1955 when he was killed in a crash.

Billy Vukovich Jr., now an employee of the Simpson Safety Equipment Co., was in Indianapolis Sunday.

The owner of the car Vukovich was driving Sunday, Don Berry of Selma, Calif., said he didn't know why Vukovich crashed.

''We don't know what happened,'' Berry said. ''There was nothing, nothing out of the ordinary. Nothing missing. Nothing broke. We just don't know. Billy took that with him.''

Vukovich, who never married, had been practicing for a California Racing Association event. The president of the CRA, Frank Lewis, said he thought the throttle had stuck but race track workers reported seeing the car slow down just before hitting the wall.

The death stunned racing enthusiasts.

''I don't know what to say,'' said Ron Helmelgarn, owner of the cars Vukovicxh drove at Indy in 1989 and 1990. ''Billy was more than just a driver. He was a very good friend. On the track, he was a hard charger who always wanted to win. Off the track, he was well-liked and fun to be around.''

A spokesman at Lyle's Funeral Home in Fresno said funeral arrangements were pending.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - The official Iraq News Agency says President Saddam Hussein ordered the release of all American hostages whose wives are currently visiting them in Baghdad. The report said Saddam made the announcement during a meeting with the wives. It did NOT say how many of the Americans still held in Iraq and Kuwait are affected by the decision.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz got some bad news in Moscow today. Soviet officials told him to allow all Soviet citizens to leave Iraq or face a tougher stance on the Persian Gulf crisis by the Soviet Union. Aziz met for about four hours with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, who also told him that Iraq must obey the U-N resolutions calling for a withdrawal from Kuwait.

Also in Moscow, President Gorbachev warned Iraq in a speech to the Soviet parliament that it must give up hope that it can break the American-Soviet unity on Baghdad getting out of Kuwait. And a Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman said the Saudi Arabian foreign minister will arrive in Moscow tomorrow. Until this year, the Saudis did NOT even have diplomatic relations with the Soviets.

The U-S Supreme Court today let stand a ban on begging in the New York City subway sytem. Advocates for the homeless immediately charged that the high court decision to allow the ban to stand will have a chilling impact on individual rights of the destitute across the nation. A group of the poorest residents of New York City had filed a class- action suit to overturn the begging ban as a violation of their First and 14th Amendment rights.

NASA and a private contractor are both coming under fire when it comes to problems with the multi-BILLION-dollar Hubble space telescope. Results of the five-month investigation are to be released tomorrow. And published reports say NASA will get part of the blame as will Perkin Elmer, the Connecticut firm that made the faulty telescope mirror. The two reportedly did NOT examine results of key tests that actually found the problem before Hubble was launched.

The communist regime in Serbia will let rival political parties take part in counting ballots from the first multi-party elections in the Yugoslavian

republic in 45 years. The decision follows opposition calls for a boycott of the December 9th elections on fears that communist- dominated election commissions could rig the vote results. There are some 30 opposition parties in Serbia that are exepcted to run against the ruling Socialist Party.

Pleas for a medical pardon for convicted Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie are being called a ''horrible publicity stunt'' by officials in France. The so-called ''Butcher of Lyon'' reportedly has blood cancer. He was given a life sentence in 1987 on conviction of ''crimes against humanity'' in France.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - Veteran House Republican Carl Pursell of Michigan said Monday he will seek the third-ranking post within the party leadership when Republicans pick their officers next month.

Pursell, a moderate on social questions but more conservative on fiscal questions, will challenge Rep. Jerry Lewis of California for the position of chairman of the House Republican Conference, a service organization that provides members with policy research.

Republians will meet Dec. 3 to pick their leaders.

''Based on my exploratory phone calls and personal contacts with Republican members from all perspectives, I have been encouraged by their support,'' said Pursell. ''They believe I can bring new energy to an important position.''

Pursell has held several lower ranking leadership posts during his 14 years in Congress and is a member of the House Appropriations Committee. He has also served on the House ethics committee, one of the more thankless chores on Capitol Hill.

That race is one of two contested party posts. Rep. Guy Vander Jagt, R-Mich., leader of the National Republican Congressional Committee, a group that assists GOP candidates, is being challenged by Rep. Don Sundquist, R-Tenn.

House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois and the assistant leader, Newt Gingrich of Georgia, are unopposed.

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JUNEAU, Alaska (NOV. 26) UPI - Ferocious winds and tremendous waves battered a Bering Sea fishing fleet, and the Coast Guard said Monday that three boats were lost and seven others were in trouble but no one died.

One vessel sank and two others were disabled, forcing 16 people into lifeboats

or into frigid waters, but all were rescued in good condition, Coast Guard Petty Officer John Germain said from the rescue coordination center.

Seven other boats were drifting, some without power, and two crewmen injured in the storm were awaiting rescue by a Coast Guard helicopter, Germain said.

A storm Sunday carrying 60 mph winds - with gusts to 90 mph - whipped up 30-foot waves that tore into the crab fishing fleet east of the Pribilof Islands in the Bering Sea, according to the Coast Guard and the National Weather Service.

There were reports of waves that may have been as high as 45 feet breaking over the tops of vessels.

''There's some big waves out there,'' said Reuben Eaton, a meteorologist in Anchorage.

The storm ''wreaked havoc'' in the fishing fleet, said Coast Guard spokeswoman Kathy Yonce.

Five crewmen aboard the 100-foot Winter Hawk of Seattle barely had time to don survival suits, radio for help and jump into the sea before their ship sank, Germain said. Two other fishing boats rushed to pull the five out of the water.

Six crewmen abandoned the 107-foot Shannon Marie of Portland, Ore., when it began taking on water. Five fishermen deserted the 91-foot Pisces of Bellingham, Wash., which caught fire and was in danger of sinking. All 11 managed to get into life rafts and were rescued by other fishing boats.

Some of the remaining seven vessels were drifting; some had lost power and suffered various kinds of damage. None was in immediate danger of sinking, Germain said.

All 10 crab boats were fishing north of Cold Bay on the Alaska Peninsula and east of the Pribilof Islands in the southeastern Bering Sea.

No Coast Guard cutters were nearby but two Coast Guard aircraft responded to the distress calls and an H-3 helicopter waited at the town of Port Heiden for a break in the weather to take two injured crewmen off the fishing vessel Big Blue, Germain said.

The storm hit Sunday morning and winds and waves relented later in the day, but Eaton said a new storm was expected to hit the same fishing grounds late Monday.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - A growing number of people over 50 are emerging as victims of AIDS, a disease previously linked only to younger people and children, The New York Times reported Monday.

The number of older AIDS victims has previously been underestimated due to shame, fear or the assumption that the symptoms were merely due to old age, the paper said.

Aquired immune deficiency syndrome is now occuring far more often in people over the age of 50, a classification given by the experts who treat and study AIDS, than it is among children under the age of 13, The Times said.

According to the most recent information from the Federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, there have been 15,696 cases of AIDS reported in people over 50 as against 2,686 cases in children under 13.

Older people account for 10 percent of the more than 150,000 AIDS cases reported to the government, the paper said.

''This topic is one that a year ago no one was talking about, and now it has come of age,'' said Len McNally, of the New York Community Trust, which financies AIDS programs.

Little research has been done on AIDS among older people and experts say that the number of cases raises a number of challenges, medically and socially.

People over 60 who get AIDS are known to survive less than two years, said Dr. William Adler, chief of the National Institute on Aging's immunology section.

''When we compare children with older people, the older people developed infections that moved more swiftly and were more severe,'' said Adler. ''Patients who are over 60 tend to survive less than two years from the time they are infected, whereas children who contract it in utero survive about five years, and those who get it from blood products, from five to seven years.''

The federal statistics show that the majority of cases of infection in people over 50 occur in homosexual or bisexual men who caught the germ during sexual intercouse.

About 17 percent of the victims came in contact with the virus through tainted blood transfusions before routine screening began in 1985, the paper said.

From a medical standpoint, there are signs that the disease progresses through an older body faster and that it causes more severe afflictions.

Socially, there is even more of a stigma.

One social worker said she documented eight cases in Staten Island during her routine evaluations and believed the federal government was overlooking cases of the elderly with AIDS.

In New York City, there has been an increase in sex education discussions at senior citizens centers and in discussion groups for older AIDS patients, The Times said, adding that the pattern had not yet been duplicated nationwide.

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LONDON (NOV. 26) UPI - Stock prices closed lower in light trading Monday on the London International Stock Exchange, stymied by renewed fears of an outbreak of war in the Persian Gulf and higher oil prices.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which jumped 42.6 points Friday fell 18.6 points to 2,151.9. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 13.6 points to 1,698.6.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 346 million shares.

Analysts said stocks fell as the possibility of an imminent conflict in the Middle East unnerved professional investors.

Stocks fell on U.S. pressure in the U.N. Security Council for a resolution backing the use of force after a deadline for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's retreat from Kuwait, analysts said.

On the trading floor, Mideast jitters helped to boost oil and oil- related stocks. British Petroleum gained 4 cents to $6.40 while Shell gained 8 cents to $8.62.

British Aerospace plunged 28 cents to $9.91 amid speculation that Saudi Arabia may withdraw a Tornado aircraft contract.

Fairline Boats, a luxury yacht builder, climbed 47 cents to $10.50 after announcing a 16 percent profits increase.

Leisure group Brent Walker added 6 cents to $1.84 amid hopes of a takeover bid by Irish conglomerate Jefferson Smurfit Group PLC.

Ratners, a jewelry retail company, gained 8 cents to $3.79 on increased sales of Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles novelty watches.

Elsewhere, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed sharply lower in thin trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index lost 40.36 points to 1,443.00.

Traders said stocks fell in part on profit taking following last week's strong advances.

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SAGINAW, MI (NOV. 26) UPI - A woman wanted since March on drug and money laundering charges was arrested while bowling after being identified in a ''Bowler of the Week'' newspaper photograph, authorities said Monday.

Amanda Guild, 30, of Saginaw, was indicted with five other people in Jackson, Tenn., on charges of conspiracy, possession with intent to distribute marijuana and cocaine, money laundering, obstruction and perjury.

The U.S. Marshals Service was asked by the Internal Revenue Service to help arrest people in the Tennessee indictments known to live in Michigan.

The others were arrested earlier but Guild's whereabouts remained unknown until the bowling picture appeared in the Saginaw News, providing the league name and location of where she bowled.

At the time of her arrest Sunday afternoon, Guild was in the fourth frame of her first game in the Sunday Afternoon Women's League at Americana Lanes in Buena Vista Township, the Marshals Service said.

She was arrested without incident, authorities said.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - Orders for U.S. made machine tools rose 31 percent in October to $269.3 million from $205 million in the year-earlier period, the Association for Manufacturing Technology said Monday.

Orders in October were about the same as those for the previous months of the year, the group said.

Orders for lathes, machining centers, boring mills, milling machines and other equipment used to shape metal were up 27 percent to $183.6 million, from $144.9 million in the year-earlier period.

Machine tool shipments edged up 1.1 percent last month from year-ago levels to $254.4 million.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 26) UPI - Miglin-Beiter Inc. is expanding its horizons and revising some of its expectations as it seeks financing for what it proposes as the new tallest building in the world, a business magazine reported Monday.

Ground was to have been broken in September for the 125-story Miglin- Beitler Tower, to be built within a few blocks of what is currently the world's tallest building, the 110-story, 1,452-foot Sears Tower. A dramatic shrinkage of the investment capital market, however, has stalled the start of construction.

''We have to take a new approach to get this thing financed,'' Miglin-Beitler President J. Paul Beitler said in Monday's edition of Crain's Chicago Business.

Among other steps, the firm plans to expand its money search overseas. While most previous fund-raising efforts were concentrated in the United States, a new push will be made with Dutch and Japanese pension funds.

The firm also is revising some of the economic assumptions built into its investment materials, and has named former Citicorp real estate lender Debra Ann Conrardy to head its fianancing effort.

The firm still believes it is possible to break ground on the needle- like structure by spring, Beitler said, and he remains optimistic the building will be built.

''All the assumptions we are making are quite reasonable,'' he said.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - A huge fire is causing delays at Denver's Stapleton international airport. As much as two Million gallons of aviation fuel in four tanks is burning out of control at the airport, and the flames are NOT expected to die down until late tomorrow or Tuesday. Delays of up to three hours are reported at the airport. Stapleton is the seventh- busiest airport in the nation.

News reports from Poland say exit polls show that Solidarity leader Lech Walesa came in first in yesterday's election with 39-point-three percent of the vote. Second place went to Stanislaw Tyminski, an emigree businessman from Canada. He had 23-point-two percent, and will face Walesa in a runoff December 9th. The polls show Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki in third, out of the running.

Typhoon Page is moving closer to the Philippines with peak winds of 115 miles an hour. Relief officials continue to assess the damage caused by an earlier typhoon that killed more than 400 people. The Manila Weather Bureau located the latest typhoon in the Pacific Ocean, 370 miles southeast of Manila. The

Bureau said on its present course, the storm will strike the southeastern section of the main Luzon island Wednesday and cut through metropolitan Manila.

104 former German hostages arrived in Frankfurt by way of Amman, Jordan, yesterday after their release by Iraq. The Germans were accompanied by one British citizen. Amman Radio reported that the hostages were freed in response to German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's call earlier this month for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

The 372 Conservative members of Britain's Parliament are preparing to vote this week on who will succeed Margaret Thatcher as prime minister. Public opinion polls show the Conservatives would beat the Labor party in the next general election if Michael Heseltine, a former Defense Secretary, or John Major, the chancellor of the exchequer, led the party.

In Paris, the lawyer for Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie is launching a campaign for the release of the ailing 76-year-old former Gestapo Chief from prison. Attorney Jacques Verges says Barbie, the so-called ''Butcher of Lyon '' has cancer and has been undergoing chemotherapy at a Lyon hospital.

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#90330u0399 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

SOFIA, BULGARIA (NOV. 26) UPI - Bulgarians unhappy with the pace of reforms by the government of Prime Minister Andrei Loukanov joined in a nationwide strike Monday to hamper industry and public transportation and force his resignation.

Strike organizers claimed several hundred thousand Bulgarians joined in the action, including industrial and transportation workers. Government officials, however, said the Eastern European nation was running normally.

President Zhelyu Zhelev called for negotiations between the ruling Bulgarian Socialist Party - the former Communists - and the Union of Democratic Forces - the main opposition party. He asked that they work for a political compromise that could lead the country out of crisis.

''The political tension in this country has reached threatening dimensions and its further escalation is inadmissible,'' Zhelev spokesman Valentin Stoyanov said at a press conference.

The strike was organized by the Podkrepa Labor Confederation, a large trade union that claims several hundred thousand members, and is supported by the UDF. The government maintains the strike is illegal because it has political goals.

Addressing protesters at the rally, the vice president of the Confederation of Independent Syndicates, Svetoslav Stavrev, asked protesters to sign a

declaration calling on Zhelev to form a caretaker government.

The declaration also called for the dissolution of the parliament and new parliamentary elections next February.

Strike organizers appearing at a rally that drew tens of thousands of people Monday afternoon in Sofia said workers in cities across the country were participating in the strike.

The chairman of the Podkrepa National Strike Committee, Krustyu Krustev, told protesters that 50 enterprises in Sofia; 102 enterprises in Plovdiv; workers at a large chemical plant and oil refinery in Burgas; workers in some chemical and metallurgical industries; and bus drivers in Sofia had joined the action.

Members of other unions, including the Confederation of Independent Syndicates the largest union in Bulgaria, also joined in the strike, and it was backed by the Union of Actors and by journalists at official news agency BTA, Bulgarian Radio, and Bulgarian Television.

But the government seemed unaffected by the walkout. In an interview with Bulgarian Radio, the deputy president of Loukanov's Cabinet, Nora Ananieva, said the capital and countryside were relatively calm and that food distribution and transportation were operating normally.

The BTA reported that in Sofia, military buses driven by civilians replaced striking public transportation workers.

In a speech televised Sunday, Loukanov said the strike would jeopardize ''the outer world's confidence in Bulgaria, which is already nearing zero,'' BTA reported. Calling a strike illegal, he threatened the organizers with prosecution for disturbing the public peace.

The strike comes after several weeks of demonstrations by opposition groups led by UDF and a four-week strike by university students, who say Loukanov's Socialist-led government is stalling on reforms.

Polls have showed that the public is also frustrated by the chaos in Bulgaria's parliament, where the Bulgarian Socialist Party holds a slim majority.

Loukanov narrowly defeated a motion of no-confidence brought against him last week by the opposition. Following the vote, opposition parliamentarians walked out of parliament. In an interview with journalists Monday, the spokesman for UDF, Mihail Nedelchev, said the party was trying to decide on conditions for its return.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. of Japan announced Monday that it signed an agreement to purchase MCA Inc. for $6.1 billion, the latest in a series of takeovers of Hollywood institutions by foreign buyers.

After the purchase is completed, the present executive officers of the U.S.entertainment giant, including co-founder Lew Wasserman, will remain with the company and continue to manage MCA.

Based on the agreement signed in New York, Matsushita Electric will start a cash tender offer of $66 a share for MCA's common stock by Friday, meaning the Japanese electronics giant will be paying a total of $6.1 billion, Matsushita said in an announcement issued in Tokyo.

Pending completion of the transaction, MCA's acquisition will mark the second time a major U.S. film studio has been taken over by a Japanese company in less than a year and a half and the fourth time a major Hollywood studio hascome under foreign control. Among MCA's holdings is Universal Studios.

Matsushita, whose consumer electronics brands include Panasonic, Quasar and Technics, has yearly revenues of more than $40 million and as much as $15 billion in cash on hand.

The prospective takeover price was estimated at $6.7 billion as recently as Sunday, but the weakening economy and MCA's problems with a new theme park in Florida and its half-interest in Cineplex Odeon Corp., the troubled theater chain operator based in Toronto, may have pushed the price down.

The MCA deal followed the acquisition of Columbia Pictures Entertainment by Japan's Sony Corp. for $4.8 billion in October 1989. Italian financier Giancarlo Parretti recently completed a $1.36 billion buyout of MGM-UA Communications Inc., while Rupert Murdoch's Australia- based News Corp. gained control of Twentieth Century-Fox Film Corp. several years ago.

When MCA and Matsushita first announced their buyout talks nearly two months ago, it seemed that the two MCA assets - WWOR, a Secaucus, N.J., television station, and the Yosemite Park & Curry Co. concession firm - would not be included in any deal.

It was believed that WWOR, which MCA bought for $387 million several years ago might be spun off to shareholders or sold to another media company becausefederal regulations bar foreign ownership of TV stations beyond 20 percent.

MCA's negotiating team was headed by Wasserman, the company's chairman and chief executive officer, and President Sidney Sheinberg. The 77-year-old Wasserman, who founded the company as a talent agency, controlled about 12 percent of the stock, while Sheinberg had about 1.3 million shares.

Creative Artists Agency Chairman Michael Ovitz, one of the most powerful players in Hollywood, had represented Matsushita.

Before the deal closed, MCA management was expected to remain in place for the short term, but many believed that David Geffen would eventually become the new chief. MCA bought Geffen Co., a highly successful record company, for $550 million in April.

MCA's key asset has been its movie studio, whose ''E.T.'' release still holds the record for top-grossing film at $367.7 million.

Other interests include a film library with 3,000 titles, theme parks in Hollywood and Florida, a television group, various record labels and publishers, 420 acres of Hollywood real estate worth $500 million, other real estate holdings and a half interest in the USA Network cable channel.

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#90330u0428 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 26) UPI - One of the nation's busiest airports was disrupted during the hectic holiday weekend by a spectacular fire raging through four giant tanks containing up to two Million gallons of aviation fuel. The fire at Denver's Stapleton International Airport started in two tanks yesterday morning, and spread to two other tanks last night. Airlines delayed flights as they scrambled to find alternate fuel sources.

Exit poll results from Poland indicate that there will be a runoff in the presidential race. Solidarity leader Lech Walesa is leading, but businessman Stanislaw Tyminski took second place ahead of Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki. UNofficial results show Walesa with 39-point-three percent of the vote, Tyminski with 23-point-two and Mazowiecki with 19-point- nine.

President Bush begins the week by traveling to Mexico today for a two-day

meeting with President Carlos Salinas de Gortari. Bush returns to Washington late Tuesday. After a couple of days behind the desk in the Oval Office, he'll be off again. Bush leaves Sunday for a seven-day trip to South America, which will include stops in Brazil, Uruguay, Argentia, Chile and Venezuela.

Police in Tokyo say a bomb exploded today along a bullet-train line outside Tokyo. The blast showered chunks of a concrete retaining wall onto the tracks just hours before Emperor Akihito and Empress Michiko were to pass by on their way to Japan's most sacred Shinto shrine. No one was injured in the blast, which police suspect was the work of radical leftists opposed to Japan's emperor system.

Political violence claimed at least 19 lives in South Africa during the weekend. Police say UNidentifed gunmen ambushed two black taxis in Natal province, killing nine passengers. 10 other people died elsewhere yesterday in scattered incidents of politigcl'violence. Five black men were killed in townships ina4he"Z/he7/8nksfuzg area.

A Chicago man free on bond on charges of kidnapping his ex-girlfriend abducted the Western Illinois University freshman again yesterday after killing her father and injuring her brother and mother. Police say 18- year-old Michael Bell is accused of stabbing the girl's brother, and shooting her mother and father. The father died later at a hospital.

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#90330u0432 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (NOV. 26) UPI - Israel called on Egypt and Jordan Monday to step up security and prevent a repetition of infiltration attempts from their territories that have led to the deaths of six Israelis in the last month.

A gunman, believed to be an Egyptian border policeman, crossed the Israeli border Sunday and ambushed passing vehicles, killing four Israelis and wounding 23.

''We will take all security measures,'' Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir told French Jewish leaders. ''But we will also demand from the governments bordering us, Egypt and Jordan, that they take care that things like this do not happen again.''

In Novemeber, two Israeli soldiers were killed by gunmen who attempted to infiltrate from Jordan.

Israeli leaders said they did not blame the Egyptian government for Sunday's incident on what many describe as the ''peace border.'' Shamir, however, said propaganda against Israel in Jordan and Egypt, permitted by the governments, was the cause of the attack near the Israeli resort city of Eilat.

''It is clear these (infiltrators) are the enemies of peace just as (Egyptian) President Mubarak has pointed out,'' Foreign Minister David Levy said. ''But enemies of peace must not be allowed to take action from Egyptian land.''

Egypt, the only Arab nation that has signed a peace treaty with Israel, has expressed regret over the incident and said it would punish those responsible.

The four Israelis killed in Sunday's attack were buried Monday.

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#90330u0462 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (NOV. 26) UPI - Unidentified gunmen ambushed two black taxis in strife-torn Natal province, killing nine passengers at the start of a weekend in which at least 19 people died in political violence, police and state-run radio reported Monday.

The attack on the two taxis - a van and a pickup truck - occurred in the area of Harding in Natal province late Friday in what appeared to be a resurgence of faction fighting there. Police said nine people were killed, including a woman and her baby daughter, and six others seriously injured.

Police found 9mm cartridges at the scene but the identity of the gunmen was not known.

Ten other people died elsewhere on Sunday in scattered incidents of political violence, according to an official police announcement. Five black men were killed in townships in the Johannesburg area, two in factional fighting in strife-torn Natal province, two others in a western mining area, and a man of mixed-race was shot to death in a township of the Cape Province.

In a township of the western town of Klerksdorp, 125 miles from Johannesburg, police said ''a group of blacks threw stones at a hostel. Police retaliated with birdshot. Once man was fatally wounded.'' In the same area, police also found the the body of a man stabbed to death.

In the Johannesburg area, police found the bodies of two blacks shot to death in the black township of Tembisa, two more in the township of Dunnottar and a fifth man was found stabbed to death in the tonwship of Katlehong.

The South African Institute of Race Relations reported last week an average 10 people are killed daily in politically related violence in South Africa and that 1990 could be regarded as the most violent of the past six years.

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#90330u0470 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 26) UPI - There was tough talk in Moscow today for the Iraqi foreign

minister. Tariq Aziz flew into Moscow for talks with his Soviet counterpart. Spokesmen say Aziz was told that Iraq must honor U-N resolutions calling for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait. And the spokesmen say he also was told that all Soviet citizens must be allowed to leave Iraq or the Soviets will take a tougher position on the Persian Gulf crisis.

The official Iraqi News Agency says President Saddam Hussein ordered the release of all American hostages whose wives are currently visiting them in Baghdad. There is NO indication of how many Americans are affected by the order, which Saddam announced in a meeting with the American wives.

The House Armed Services Committee says a delegation of 19 House members- most of them members of the committee- is spending this week in Saudi Arabia. The committee says Democratic Representative Nicholas Mavroules of Massachusetts is leading the delegation, which is expected to raise questions about Operation Desert Shield.

President Bush, his wife Barbara and several Cabinet members are in Monterrey, Mexico, for a two-day visit that will include talks with Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari. It is the first official Bush state visit to Mexico and is expected to include discussion of a bilateral free-trade agreement.

The U-S Supreme Court today let stand the felony drug conviction of a Texas man, even though it was based on evidence seized during a raid in which police used a search warrant with the wrong address. The court refused to review the case without comment.

The high court also let stand a lower-court ruling that the military effort to identify U-S servicemen killed in action can legally meet easier standards than those accepted by most civilian medical examiners. The refused to review a decision that the military canNOT be sued for erroneously making what it termed a ''positive'' idenfication of remains.

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Two American brothers and two Soviet bicycle-riders completed an around-the-world trip today, rolling up to the steps of the Minnesota state Capitol in St. Paul. The four traveled 13-thousand miles in eight months together and on the way, became the first people ever to ride bikes across the Soviet Union.

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#90330u0478 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

FRANKLIN PARK, Ill. (NOV. 26) UPI - Dean Foods Co. outlined plans Monday to

sell its McCadam Cheese Co. subsidiary to the Valio Finnish Co-Operative Dairies Association of Helsinki, Finland.

The two companies said they have signed a letter of intent for the transaction. The sale, however, is still subject to regulatory review and execution of a definitive agreement. The deal is expected to close in 60 days.

The price was not disclosed.

McCadam, with annual sales of about $50 million, supplies private label cheeses to the grocery and foodservice markets. Valio, Finland's largest dairly cooperative, has worldwide sales in excess of $2 billion.

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#90330u0485 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

ORLANDO, Fla. (NOV. 26) UPI - Braniff Inc. and its unsecured creditors have filed a complaint against the bankrupt airline's former management and an adviser, accusing them of illegally draining cash from the financially ailing carrier.

The complaint filed in federal bankruptcy court earlier this month seeks $18.5 million in compensatory and punitive damages, a lawyer representing the unsecured creditors committee said Monday.

The complaint charges that the executives drained more than $6 million from ailing airline, in part by charging inflated fees in a number of aircraft transactions between Braniff and its affiliates, lawyer Richard Levy said.

Defendants named in the suit include Braniff's two major stockholders - Jeffrey Chodorow of Philadelphia and Arthur G. Cohen of New York - former Braniff adviser Scot Spencer, and others, Levy said.

Spencer, who currently heads BN Air Inc. of Dallas, a company formed by Chodorow which bought Braniff's trademark and other property in April for $313,000, did not respond to a request for comment.

''There were transactions under which aircraft were leased by (BIA- COR Holdings Inc.), the entity controlled by Cohen and Chodorow or by other entities, (such as) Core Leasing, which is affiliated,'' Levy said.

''There was then a sublease of those aircraft over to Braniff, with overrides and deposits which were unfair as to Braniff,'' he added.

In one such case, six jets leased by Core Leasing for $78,000 apiece were then transferred to Braniff at a cost of $102,500 each, the complaint charges.

Levy said he was not qualified to comment on whether the transactions pushed

Braniff into bankruptcy. However, the complaint says the transactions either rendered Braniff insolvent, or came during a time of insolvency, he said.

The company filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in September 1989 and suspended all commercial service in November 1989.

The complaint filed Nov. 15 is separate from a lawsuit filed last summer by creditors accusing former Braniff executives and key stockholders of fraud.

That suit, which seeks $75 million in compensatory damages and $225 million in punitive damages, focuses on the 1988 leverage buyout of Braniff, Levy said. Chodorow, Cohen and Spencer also are named as defendants of that suit.

That action is still pending, Levy said.

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#90330u0498 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

SAO PAULO, BRAZIL (NOV. 26) UPI - Opposition candidates scored victories in major gubernatorial elections, handing the 9-month-old government of President Fernando Collor de Mello its first rejection from voters, exit polls showed Monday.

Official results were not expected until at least Wednesday, but polls taken during Sunday's balloting showed Collor-supported candidates were defeated in the key southern states of Sao Paulo, Minas Gerais and Rio Grande do Sul.

An estimated 52 million voters were eligible to cast ballots in the gubernatorial runoff elections in 15 of brazils 27 states.

The most important election by far was in Sao Paulo, Brazil's richest and most populous state. Exit polls showed Luiz Antonio Fleury won by a slim 1 or 2 percent over conservative Paulo Maluf, who was backed by Collor.

About 15 percent of Sao Paulo voters cast blank or null ballots, indicating distaste for either candidate. Voting is mandatory in Brazil.

Fleury claimed victory early Monday and said he would immediately begin planning for his administration.

''We are going to meet with all the political and independent forces in Sao Paulo and find a way out of this recession,'' he said.

There were no reports of violence or problems in the voting. On Friday, federal officials suspended the election in the northeastern state of Alagoas because of accusations of fraud. And approximately 8, 000 soldiers were sent to eight northern and northeastern states to help guard voting areas.

During the first round of elections Oct. 3, which renewed one-third of the Senate and all of the Chamber of Deputies, pro-government candidates won comfortably, giving the Collor government a majority in the 572-member Congress, which begins its new term in February.

But in Sunday's elections, the defeat of Collor-supported candidates was seen as a no-confidence vote against Collor's economic plan.

Collor is now going to have to arm himself against an opposition front, said Sao Paulo's current governor, Orestes Quercia.

Despite early successes in Collor's economic recovery plan, inflation was expected to climb to 17 percent in November. Unemployment has increased, and financial analysts have predicted the economy will register a 3.3 percent decrease for 1990, compared to nearly 3 percent growth in 1989.

This was the eighth time Brazilians have gone to the polls since 1982, when the military government that ruled the country from 1964 to 1985 permitted the first free gubernatorial elections.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 26) UPI - The 1990 United Press International All-Big Eight Conference football team, listing position, name, school, hometown in parentheses, height, weight and class.

First Team

Offense

Wide receivers - Mike Pritchard, Colorado (Las Vegas, Nev.), 5-11, 180, senior; Linzy Collins, Missouri (St. Louis), 6-2, 182, senior.

Tight end - Johnny Mitchell, Nebraska (Chicago), 6-5, 250, freshman.

Tackles - Mark Vander Poel, Colorado (Chino, Calif.), 6-8, 300, senior; Tom Punt, Nebraska (Sioux Center, Iowa), 6-8, 285, senior.

Guards - Joe Garten, Colorado (Placentia, Calif.), 6-3, 280, senior; Mike Sawatzky, Oklahoma (Weatherford, Okla.), 6-2, 272, senior.

Center - Jay Leeuwenberg, Colorado (Kirkwood, Mo.), 6-3, 265, junior.

Quarterback - Darian Hagan, Colorado (Los Angeles), 5-10, 185, junior.

Running backs - Eric Bieniemy, Colorado (West Covina, Calif.), 5-7, 195, senior; Gerald Hudson, Oklahoma State (Waxahachie, Texas), 5-9, 207, senior.

Kicker - Jeff Shudak, Iowa State (Council Bluffs, Iowa), 5-10, 175, senior.

Defense

Defensive linemen - Kenny Walker, Nebraska (Crane, Texas), 6-4, 240, senior; Joel Steed, Colorado (Denver), 6-2, 280, junior; Garry Howe, Colorado (Spencer, Iowa), 6-0, 265, senior; Stacey Satterwhite, Oklahoma State (Welch, Okla.), 6-6, 268, junior.

Linebackers - Alfred Williams, Colorado (Houston), 6-6, 230, senior; Mike Croel, Nebraska (Sudbury, Mass.), 6-3, 225, senior; Kanavis McGhee, Colorado (Houston), 6-5, 250, senior.

Defensive backs - Reggie Cooper, Nebraska (Slidell, La.), 6-3, 210, senior; Harry Colon, Missouri (Kansas City, Kan.), 6-0, 198, senior; Jason Belser, Oklahoma (Kansas City, Mo.), 5-10, 178, junior; Tim James, Colorado (San Dimas Calif.), 6-3, 215, senior.

Punter - Dan Eichloff, Kansas (Fort Lauderdale, Fla.), 6-1, 210, freshman.

Second Team
Offense

Wide receivers - Michael Smith, Kansas State; Curtis Mayfield, Oklahoma State.

Tight end - Russ Campbell, Kansas State.

Tackles - Gene Williams, Iowa State; Christopher Perez, Kansas.

Guards - Will Shields, Nebraska; Jim Wanek, Nebraska.

Center - Chip Budde, Kansas.

Quarterback - Carl Straw, Kansas State.

Running backs - Leodis Flowers, Nebraska; Blaise Bryant, Iowa State.

Kicker - Dan Eichloff, Kansas.

Defense

Linemen - Scott Evans, Oklahoma; Joe Sims, Nebraska; James Goode, Oklahoma; Pat Englebert, Nebraska.

Linebackers - Pat Tyrance, Nebraska; Chris Wilson, Oklahoma; Joe Bowden, Oklahoma.

Defensive backs - Bruce Pickens, Nebraska; Marcus Robertson, Iowa State; Dave

McCloughan, Colorado; Tyrone Byrd, Nebraska.

Punter - Brad Reddell, Oklahoma.

Honorable Mention

Colorado: Greg Biekert, linebacker; Ariel Solomon, offensive tackle.

Iowa State: Mark DouBrava, defensive back; Chris Pedersen, quarterback; Chris Spencer, wide receiver.

Kansas: Gilbert Brown, defensive line; Chip Hilleary, quarterback; Rob Licursi wide receiver; Keith Loneker, offensive tackle; Pat Rogan, linebacker; Dana Stubblefield, defensive line.

Kansas State: Brooks Barta, linebacker; Rogerick Green, defensive back; Frank Hernandez, wide receiver; Jaime Mendez, defensive back.

Missouri: Mike Bedosky, guard; Tim Bruton, tight end; Kent Kiefer, quarterback; Rick Lyle, defensive line; Damon Mays, wide receiver; Russ McCullough, offensive tackle.

Nebraska: Scott Baldwin, running back; Tyrone Hughes, running back; Mike Petko linebacker.

Oklahoma: Reggie Barnes, defensive line; Dewell Brewer, running back; Adrian Cooper, tight end; Greg DeQuasie, defensive back; Cale Gundy, quarterback; Charles Franks, defensive back; Terran Manning, guard; Mike McKinley, running back; Larry Medice, guard; Jeff Miller, offensive tackle; Otis Taylor, wide receiver; Terry Ray, defensive back.

Oklahoma State: Cary Blanchard, kicker; Mike Clark, defensive back; Jason Gildon, defensive line; Joe King, defensive back; Scott Webb, guard; Cecil Wilson, running back.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - Three-quarters of the 51 economic forecasters surveyed by the National Association of Business Economists believe the U.S. economy already is slogging through a recession, the association said Tuesday.

Two-thirds of the economists also said the recession is expected to last two quarters or less and should be mild in historical terms.

Assuming that the current economic expansion ended at 93 months, it ''lived a long and prosperous life'' and fell short of the postwar record expansion of 1961 to 1969, the report said.

The report is the latest in a series of reports indicating a recession could be under way. Although the Bush Administration has insisted the economy is not in recession, President Bush recently conceded the economy has suffered a downturn. Private economists have not been as optimistic.

The NABE report forecast growth in the current quarter and the first quarter of next year will be negative but will improve by the fourth quarter of next year.

The nation's economy is expected to grow at an overall rate of 1.1 percent next year after growing 0.7 percent this year, the report said.

Unemployment, though, is anticipated to increase from the steady 5.5 percent of most of this year to 6.1 percent next year.

Corporate profits, already expected to be down 4 percent this year, are forecast to slip 1.3 percent next year.

Amid this gloomy scenario, interest rates are expected to decline but by less than 50 basis points from current levels, the report said.

Three out of four of the association's economists said a recession has already begun and almost all said the downturn began during either the current or previous quarter.

Of the 25 percent who said a recession is not already gripping the economy, most said the probability of a recession has increased since August. Only 15 percent of the economists said a recession is not in the economic horizon.

The majority of economists said the economic growth should pick up toward the end of next year while inflation cools.

Gross national product, when adjusted for inflation, is projected to increase 1.1 percent by the fourth quarter of next year while inflation at the consumer level slows to 4.5 percent from 6.4 percent, the report said.

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#90330u0516 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 26) UPI - Saddam Hussein told the visiting wives of U.S. hostages in Iraq Monday that they were free to take their husbands with them when they return home, the nation's official INA news agency reported.

And a government-supervised Iraqi newspaper in Baghdad rejected in advance Monday any U.N. Security Council resolution endorsing military sanctions imposed against Iraq over its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze told visiting Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Moscow that Baghdad must withdraw from Kuwait and give all Soviet nationals the right to leave Iraq, Amman Radio reported.

The United States, meanwhile, wants a Jan. 1 deadline for the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from the oil-rich emirate, and has lined up enough support in the U.N. Security Council for a resolution authorizing the use of force to oust Iraqi troops if such a deadline is not met, The New York Times said Monday.

Permanent Security Council members Britain, France and the Soviet Union have joined the United States in supporting a resolution, while China has indicated it will not veto the measure, the newspaper said. Six of the 10 rotating members have indicated they would pass a resolution, the report said.

Oil prices rose $2 a barrel by mid-Monday as reports regarding a military force resolution swirled. On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for January delivery climbed to $33.90 a barrel at midday. It had traded as high as $34.25 a barrel at one point.

''That's it. It seems the war drums are beating again and the market's getting nervous,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading at United Energy Inc. in New York.

''Fear of the U.N. resolution being passed is lending strength to the market ''agreed Tom Blakeslee of the Pegasus Econometrics Group in Hoboken, N.J.

Asked whether he was confident the U.N. Security Council would approve a resolution, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said, ''We're very optimistic.''

He said Secretary of State James Baker had met with each of the 15 Council members and will go to New York to chair a Council meeting that was set for Thursday to discuss and possibly vote on the resolution.

Diplomats at the United Nations confirmed the United States has asked the Council to agree on a date by which the U.S.-led multinational force would be allowed to take military action. Fitzwater, however, refused to comment on the reports of a Jan. 1 deadline, and indeed refused to say whether any deadlines were included in the proposed resolution.

The hostage release announcement was made by Saddam during a meeting with wives of U.S. hostages held in Iraq as human shields to ward off Western attack, said the Iraqi news agency, monitored in Cairo.

''The president ordered Iraqi authorities to allow American families to accompany their relatives currently in Baghdad to travel home on the occasion of their visit to Iraq,'' INA said.

''Starting this moment, you will have an additional right exceeding the rights of Iraqi citizens,'' the agency quoted Saddam as saying, in an apparent reference to the need for Iraqi citizens to secure exit visas before they can travel abroad.

The agency did not say how many U.S. hostages would be affected.

Last week Saddam ordered the release of 10 British husbands after their wives arrived in Baghdad to plead for their freedom.

Saddam was quoted as saying during his meeting with the American families that Iraq wanted peace, because it is in a ''very bad need for such peace,'' INA reported.

The Iraqi leader accused the Bush administration of playing the role of a world policeman carrying ''a heavy stick and twirling its moustache.''

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#90330u0518 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - Yields fell on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Monday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $10.03 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 7.02 percent, down from 7.08 percent last week and the lowest since Aug. 8, 1988, when the auction yielded 6.94 percent.

The Treasury also sold $10.08 billion of 26-week bills at an average of 6.96 percent, down from 7.05 percent last week and the lowest since July 5, 1988, when the yield stood at 6.71 percent.

The investment rate was 7.24 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,822.60 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26- week bill was 7.31 percent at $9,648.10.

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DALLAS (NOV. 26) UPI - LTV Corp. said Monday that Richard J. Boyle, a veteran of 25 years in the aerospace and defense business, has been appointed president and chief executive officer of its LTV Aerospace and Defense Co.

Boyle, 56, leaves the position of corporate vice president of marketing and business development of Honeywell Inc. of Minneapolis, a position he has held for the past three years. At LTV, he fills a position previously held by Raymond A. Hay in his dual capacity as both chairman and chief executive officer of LTV Corp.

"LTV Aerospace and Defense is an LTV unit we expect to grow, and Dick Boyle brings unique understanding and background in aeronautics and defense systems " Hay said. "He has an exceptionally strong background as a manager and in international business."

Reporting to Boyle will be the company's Missiles and Electronics Group and Aircraft Products Group, currently engaged in several major military programs, including the Multiple Launch Rocket System, the Army Tactical Missile System and the Hummer high mobility vehicle.

Programs in the Aircraft Products Group include work on the B-2 Stealth bomber and C-17 military cargo plane. A major segment of the Aircraft Products Group business is subcontract work for the Boeing Co. on three of its major commercial aircraft programs, the 747, 757 and 767.

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#90330u0545 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST (NOV. 26) UPI - Ruling party candidates appeared to be sweeping back to power in the Ivory Coast Monday as results from the country's first multi-party National Assembly election arrived.

By early Monday, based on a count of most of the votes, the ruling Ivory Coast Democratic Party (PDCI) of President Felix Houphouet-Boigny had held on to 150 of the 175 seats.

It had automatically held the 175 seats under the old one-party system, which was scrapped in May.

The main opposition party, the Ivorian Popular Front (FPI), had gained nine seats. The FPI leader, Laurent Gbagbo, won the majority of votes in his native village of Ouragahio in the heart of the country's beleagured cocoa belt.

Gbagbo was in political exile in France between 1982 and 1989. He returned with the hope of forcing the government to accept a multi-party system, but his demands were rejected until this year.

In the smart Cocody suburb of the country's main city Abidjan, the Workers' Party (PIT) candidate won the constituency whose voters include President Houphouet-Boigny. The PIT leader, Francis Wodie, a former president of the Ivory Coast branch of the human rights organization Amnesty International, beat off the challenge from six other candidates to take the seat.

Clashes between PDCI and opposition party activists were reported Sunday night in the Abidjan suburb of Adjame. Opposition supporters were said to be angry at the government for allowing all African foreigners the right to vote. The opposition claims the government gave them this right because they knew the foreigners would vote for the party in power for fear of acts of retribution

being carried out against them if they voted any other way.

The PDCI had a 40-seat advantage over the opposition before polling started. Despite the existence of 19 opposition parties, there were not enough candidates to go around the entire country, and in 40 constituencies only PDCI candidates were standing.

Until 1980, each constituency had only one candidate. That year different members of the PDCI party were allowed to stand against each other for the first time. In May of this year, after strikes and demonstrations, the government was forced to accept a multi-party system.

President Felix Houphouet-Boigny has ruled the country for 30 years since independence from France in 1960. On Oct. 31 he won a new five- year term after beating the FPI leader in the country's first multi- party presidential election.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - An aide to Sen. Dennis DeConcini told a Senate panel Monday she strongly warned her boss against attending an 1987 meeting with a key bank regulator that has become a central part of the influence-peddling case against DeConcini and four other senators.

Laurie Sedlmayr, DeConcini's aide specializing in banking and financial issues testified before the ethics committee that she sought in vain to stop DeConcini, D-Ariz., from attending the meeting with Edwin Gray, then the chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board.

The statement came during the fifth day of hearings into whether the so-called Keating Five senators - DeConcini, Alan Cranston, D-Calif., John Glenn, D-Ohio John McCain, R-Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich., improperly pressured bank regulators to benefit indicted savings and loan operator Charles Keating,

Gray, who was expected to be called as a witness either later Monday or Tuesday morning, has accused DeConcini of using that April 2, 1987, meeting to offer the government a deal on Keating's behalf that would have included dropping an investigation into Keating's Irvine, Calif.-based Lincoln Savings and Loan. Cranston, DeConcini, Glenn and McCain attended the one-hour meeting in DeConcini's office and excluded aides from attending.

Lincoln's 1989 failure is expected to cost the taxpayers about $2 billion and stands as the largest collapse in the nation's savings and loan scandal. Sedlmayr said she believed even attending the meeting would be "a political mistake," pointing to the current hearings as belated evidence.

"I told him I didn't think it was a good idea and later would be

misinterpreted by the press," Sedlmayr testified. "He (DeConcini) thanked me for my suggestion, but said he was going to go ahead anyway." But she stressed she had no problems with the "propriety" of such a meeting, although she said she feared Gray would "misinterpret" its meaning.

Sedlmayr becomes the second Senate staffer to testify members of the Keating Five ignored warnings about attending the April 2 meeting and an April 9 meeting with other bank regulators. Last week, a McCain aide said she also unsuccessfully tried to disuade her boss from attending one of the meetings.

Sedlmayr said she had been wary about Keating, a major contributor to DeConcini who contributed a total of $1.3 million to the five lawmakers' re-election campaigns or other favorite causes.

"I wasn't a fan of his, you could say," Sedlmayr added. She described Keating, who faces rackeeting charges in California stemming from Lincoln's failure, as "something of a zealot ... in personal views as a well as business views."

"You and Mother Teresa apparently didn't think the same way about Mr. Keating " panel special counsel Robert Bennett told Sedlmayr, referring to a comment made by DeConcini that the former Nobel Peace Prize recipient had called Keating a "good friend."

Keating's staff had prepared a memorandum for the senators titled "talking points for meeting with Ed Gray" that included demands that the bank board's investigation of Lincoln "must stop now," saying in exchange Lincoln would withdraw two legal attacks on Gray and the bank board. The alleged proposed agreement also would have shielded Keating from federal regulations against risky investments by savings and loans.

Sedlmayr also contradicted testimony from McCain's aides the two Arizona senators had made an agreement to limit what would be discussed during the Gray meeting.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - Recession-conscious shoppers - more concerned with saving than spending - thronged the malls the first weekend of the holiday season, but most were just looking, chagrined retailers said Monday.

"It was a disappointing weekend for us and most retailers," said Ross Richardson, spokesman for Best Products Co., the Richmond, Va.- based discount merchant that operates 230 stores in 28 states. "The customers just weren't out there," he said.

Fearing jitters about the economy and Middle East tensions would dampen consumer spending during the holiday season - when many retailers ring up more

than half their annual receipts - merchants braced for the worst, said Janet Mangano, a retail analyst for Jesup, Josephthal & Co. in New York.

Inventories were in check and widespread price-slashing was in little evidence. "The whole store is not on sale, but selected merchandise categories are being heavily promoted," said Mangano. "It's the old story: What you really want to buy is not on sale."

Furs, leather goods and other big-ticket items spurned by price-wary consumers are being heavily promoted by many stores, analysts said. "The promotional items are those items not associated with practicality, and consumers are bent on practicality this season," said Kurt Barnard, publisher of the newsletter Barnard's Retail Marketing Report.

On New York's 34th Street - home to R.H. Macy & Co. and a slew of specialty merchants - the holiday shopping season was in full swing Monday. Charlotte Garner, a sales representative from Dix Hills, N.Y., said she planned to spend about as much as she did the previous year. "Usually, I do, one way or another " she said, dangling shopping bags from each arm.

Minneapolis-based Dayton Hudson Corp., which operates Target, Mervyn's, and the Dayton, Hudson and Marshall Field's department stores, saw weekend sales increases at Target and Mervyn's - its two lower-end divisions - while the performance of its department stores was relatively flat, said spokeswoman Ann Barkelew. "When consumers are cautious there is a tendency to trade down," said Barkelew.

While the Friday after Thanksgiving has traditionally been one of the busiest shopping days of the year, many retailers say there is change afoot. Over the last few years, shoppers have been waiting longer and longer to do the bulk of their buying - many gambling the items they most covet will go on sale in the few days before Christmas when retailers scramble to clear their shelves.

Nevertheless, Houston-area Christmas shoppers apparently spent more this year on the hectic Friday after Thanksgiving than they did a year ago, and also outspent their counterparts in other large Texas cities.

A sampling of some 500 Houston-area stores indicated sales by check were up 3.8 percent compared to the day after Thanksgiving last year, said Ken Wait, vice chairman of TeleCheck Southwest, a check verification service.

By comparison, sales were up an estimated 3.1 percent in Dallas-Fort Worth and down 1.4 percent in the San Antonio-Austin area. Statewide, a survey of 2,500 stores showed sales up a scant 0.8 percent.

"Normally I would have predicted that Houston would come in at ten or 11 percent above last year," Wait said, blaming the Middle East crisis and talk of a nationwide recession for the spending chill.

At Macy's, which last year suffered its most dismal holiday season in years, representatives declined to give sales figures for the weekend but tried to paint a pleasant picture.

"We're confident that this year Christmas at Macy's will be successful and more typical than last year's holiday period," said a spokeswoman for the retailer that bills itself as the "world's largest department store."

On Monday, lunch-hour shoppers charged in and out the doors of Macy's flagship store and indicated in a sampling their spending spirit was somewhat subdued, but far from grim.

"I'm probably going to spend about the same - maybe a little less," said Joan Trojak, a copywriter at an advertising agency in Manhattan, citing worries about the economy among her reasons.

Craig Allen, 23, said he won't be able to do as much holiday shopping as he did last year. "I will have to budget much better," said Allen, who works in the inventory department at Macy's, noting that, "the economy doesn't look too good." Allen said he planned to cut down on larger purchases such as appliances.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 26) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	79.43	79.78	79.10	79.75	79.35
Feb	76.40	76.85	75.93	76.80	76.38
Apr	76.25	76.68	75.95	76.63	76.13
Jun	74.05	74.30	73.85	74.25	73.90
Aug	72.50	72.75	72.25	72.55	72.32
Oct	72.60	72.75	72.40	72.50	72.30
Dec	73.00	73.00	72.80	73.00	72.90

Est. sales 17,008 contracts; Friday 9,433; open interest 74,621 up 812.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	88.00	88.25	87.55	88.22	88.03
Mar	85.55	86.00	85.25	85.97	85.53
Apr	84.25	84.60	84.00	84.55	84.15
May	83.50	83.65	83.18	83.65	83.50
Aug	82.70	82.70	82.40	82.45	82.50
Sep	81.85	82.05	81.85	82.05	81.90
Oct	81.50	81.70	81.50	81.70	81.50

Est. sales 1,261 contracts; Friday 478; open interest 8,685 up 149.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	52.95	53.00	52.00	52.03	53.45
Feb	51.45	51.45	50.17	50.25	51.67
Apr	48.35	48.40	47.60	47.75	48.55
Jun	52.35	52.35	51.60	51.65	52.55
Jul	52.30	52.30	52.00	52.20	52.95
Aug	50.60	50.60	50.22	50.50	51.22
Oct	45.58	45.58	45.25	45.25	46.00
Dec	....	....	....	45.25	46.00

Est. sales 8,910 contracts; Friday 3,977; open interest 28,408 off 428.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	70.80	70.80	69.40	69.40	71.40
Mar	70.40	70.60	69.10	69.10	71.10
May	71.00	71.00	69.50	69.50	71.50
Jul	68.93	68.93	68.43	68.43	70.43
Aug	66.10	66.50	65.95	66.10	67.90

Est. sales 1,321 contracts; Friday 3,581; open interest 12,411 up 69.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Monday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 130.23 down 3 cents, 700-850 lbs. 130.48 down 13 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.85 down 5 cents, 700-850 lbs. 119.61 down 2 cents.

Pork carlot trading moderate; demand moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts weak; skinned hams steady; seedless bellies firm; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 96.00-100.00, 18-22 lbs. 95.00; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 75.00; hams 14-17 lbs.108.00, 17-20 lbs. 87.00-95.00, 20-26 lbs. 79.00-80.00, 32 lbs. and up 75.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 59.50, 12-14 lbs. 62.25, 14-16 lbs. 62.50, 16-18 lbs. 60.00.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos said Monday colleges and universities must cut expenses so they can reduce steadily rising tuition costs, but he also noted the public has a ''misconception'' that higher education is unaffordable.

Cavazos released three reports about the costs of higher education, including a handbook called ''Tough Choices'' to help colleges examine their priorities and then decide how to control spending.

College tuition has risen much faster than the rate of inflation. Between 1975 and 1987, inflation-adjusted tuition grew 28 percent at public colleges and 44 percent at private colleges, the department said. In the fall of 1990, average

college tuitions rose about 8 percent at most institutions.

And while student financial aid grew faster than inflation during the 1980s, it did not keep pace with tuition increases, it said.

''It is now time for individual colleges and universities to ask hard questions, set strict limits and start making tough choices,'' said Cavazos, who was president of Texas Tech University from 1980-1988.

These choices, he said, could mean dropping an entire department, forgoing recruitment of high-priced researchers or eliminating the athletic program.

''It has to decide what kind of institution it wants to be,'' Cavazos said. ''When there is a university close by that offers duplication, why don't you let someone else do it?'' he said.

But a spokewoman for the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admission Officers, said colleges have been reticent about lowering tuition.

''They're pricing themselves out of the market. The concept of cutting tuition has not gotten through to higher education. Universities are going to have to make some changes,'' said Doris Johnson.

Reasons for tuition increases are many, the Education Department said, including faculty salaries, reduced government or endowment subsidies, costs of computers in instruction and administration, and expensive laboratory equipment.

But as Cavazos urged colleges to control costs, he also contended higher education is still affordable - you just have to look for it. He said that while the average tuition at independent four-year institutions is $9,400 per academic year, it is just $1,800 at public- supported collegess.

Cavazos blamed publicity about the most expensive schools for misleading people about college costs.

''Unfortunately, such misconceptions may discourage students and families who are trying to prepare for college. They may think that the situation is hopeless, that they will not be able to afford a college education, Cavazos said.

''The reality is that with a little planning, virtually every family - including those in the low- and middle-income range - can afford college,'' Cavazos said, adding, though, he has seen no reduced enrollment resulting from these ''misconceptions.''

A spokesman for the American Council on Education, which represents public and private colleges and universities, said institutions are already looking for

ways to cut costs.

''Most of what's in the report is based on things already happening. That's not to say, though, that more should not be done,'' said spokesman David Merkowitz, citing a recent decision by Washington University in St. Louis to eliminate its dental and sociology departments.

He also said it is ''quite possible'' that if schools reduce investments in computer or lab equipment, it could lead to inferior education.

Some private universities have started novel recruitment programs to encourage enrollment.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - President Bush has won enough support from members of the U.N. Security Council to push through a resolution authorizing the use of military force to oust Iraqi troops from occupied Kuwait if they are not withdrawn by Jan. 1, a published report said Monday.

Permanent Security Council members Britain, France, and the Soviet Union have joined the United States in supporting the resolution, to be introduced Thursday, The New York Times reported. The fifth permanent Council member, China, has said it will not block the resolution but has yet to decide whether to vote in favor or abstain, the newspaper said.

Six of the Council's 10 rotating members - Canada, Finland, Ethiopia, Ivory Coast, Zaire and Romania - have indicated they will vote for the proposed resolution, ensuring it will get at least 10 of the 15 council votes, the Times said.

Canadian Foreign Minister Joe Clark said at a Cairo news conference the possible resolution was not a bluff or scare tactic but would be implemented if passed.

Bush and Secretary of State James Baker have traveled the globe in recent weeks, trying to drum up support for the measure.

The final wording on the resolution was not likely to include the words ''military force,'' but would opt for some other formulation, such as ''necessary means,'' officials told the Times.

A senior U.S. official said the Bush administration would interpret such language as authorizing the use of force, just as it did after the Aug. 25 resolution authorizing the naval blockade of Iraq, the Times said.

The Bush administration is pushing for a Jan. 1 deadline for the withdrawal of

Iraqi troops, but diplomats cautioned that no final decision has been made, saying the Council may end up setting the deadline toward the end of the month to allow more time for last-minute attempts to promote a peaceful settlement.

On Jan. 1, Yemen assumes the chairmanship of the Security Council. Yemen, the only Arab member of the council, has said it does not support military action in the gulf and would do everything possible to block a resolution authorizing the use of force.

Cairo radio said other members of the United Nations wanted to set a later deadline for Iraq to give diplomats time to attempt a peaceful settlement to the crisis, triggered Aug. 2 when Iraq invaded Kuwait.

It was announced Monday the foreign ministers of Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria would meet early next week in Cairo, their second such meeting in a month.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, meanwhile, has begun drafting children under age 15 to guard vital military and economic installations in the event of war, Cairo radio reported Sunday.

Older Iraqis are already subject to the draft in Iraq, which has faced a manpower shortage since the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war.

Last week, Iraq said it would send 250,000-plus more troops to Kuwait to maintain Baghdad's numerical superiority over the U.S.-dominated multinational force stationed in the gulf area, principally in Saudi Arabia.

The Iraqi callup appeared to be in response to President Bush's recent announcement he will send 200,000 more U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia to join 230,000 already deployed, by far the largest part of a multinational force that numbers nearly 500,000.

The mobilization of more Iraqi reservists also appeared aimed at combatting any U.N. Security Council vote endorsing military force against Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait. The United Nations has passed several resolutions imposing economic boycotts against Iraq.

Canada's Joe Clark told reporters in Cairo Sunday that he did not expect the multinational force to strike at Iraq before the Thursday U.N. vote.

''The purpose (of the resolution) is not to employ force, but to use force as a means to convince Saddam Hussein and the government of Iraq of the determination of the wide coalition of nations who oppose his invasion that he must move back from Kuwait,'' he said.

Also Sunday, 104 former German hostages arrived in Frankfurt via Amman, Jordan, after their release by Iraq. The Germans, accompanied by one British citizen, were freed in thanks for German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's call earlier this

month for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis, Amman Radio reported.

In Rome, a pacifist group said 70 Italian hostages held in Iraq were released by Saddam Hussein. The delegation, which left for Baghdad a week ago, was headed by Archbishop Hilarion Capucci, the Syria-born Greek Melkite Patriarch of Jerusalem, who lives in Rome.

And 10 Greek nationals held hostage in Iraq for nearly four months returned home Sunday after their release by Baghdad. Greek Foreign Ministry officials said three Greek nationals remained in Iraq and there was no word on whether or not they were to be released.

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City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque mc	61	40	....
Anchorage pc	16	11	.32
Asheville sy	74	32	....
Atlanta pc	73	47	....
Baltimore sy	68	44	....
Billings snsh	30	19	.01
Birmingham sy	72	49	....
Bismarck mc	24	09	....
Boston sy	65	41	....
Brownsville w	86	74	....
Buffalo pc	50	27	....
Burlington Vt. pc	50	31	.01
Charleston S.C. sy	73	59	....
Charlotte sy	73	47	....
Chicago cy	50	39	....
Cincinnati mc	66	51	....
Cleveland pc	52	32	....
Columbus Ohio pc	62	38	....
Dallas cy	81	69	....
Denver w	77	37	....
Des Moines cy	49	33	....
Detroit pc	50	32	....
Duluth pc	16	12	....
El Paso cy	75	58	.01
Evansville cy	71	51	....
Fargo pc	18	13	....
Hartford sy	61	34	....
Honolulu sy	80	61	....
Houston w	81	74	....
Indianapolis cy	63	46	....

Jackson Miss. sh	73	65	....
Jacksonville f	76	47	....
Kansas City w	69	49	....
Las Vegas w	71	54	....
Little Rock cy	66	61	....
Los Angeles w	71	56	....
Louisville w	71	54	....
Memphis cy	73	64	....
Miami Beach pc	81	70	....
Milwaukee cy	49	34	....
Minneapolis cy	28	20	....
Nashville pc	74	56	....
New Orleans cy	76	68	....
New York sy	65	44	....
Oklahoma City cy	73	56	....
Omaha cy	51	32	....
Orlando f	78	59	....
Philadelphia sy	65	42	....
Phoenix pc	81	59	....
Pittsburgh pc	55	35	....
Portland Me. sy	54	34	....
Portland Ore. pc	55	35	.21
Providence sy	63	35	....
Richmond sy	72	40	....
St. Louis mc	74	58	....
Salt Lake City sn	62	43	....
San Antonio mc	80	70	....
San Diego pc	70	57	.10
San Francisco sy	58	47	.28
San Juan pc	88	75	.20
Seattle pc	47	33	....
Spokane mc	50	29	.14
Tampa f	81	59	....
Washington sy	73	45	....
Wichita pc	72	54	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke

sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 26) UPI - The United States has asked the U.N. Security Council to set a deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait before it uses military force to liberate the oil-rich emirate, diplomats said Monday.

They said a U.S. draft resolution was being studied by the other four permanent members of the 15-nation Security Council, giving Iraq a tentative deadline of ''on or before Jan. 1, 1991'' to fully withdraw from Kuwait.

The date was the subject of intense negotiations between the five members - the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain, China and France - each of whom has veto power over the resolution.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters aboard Air Force One while President was en route to Monterrey, Mexico, that the administration was optimistic the Security Council would approve a resolution authorizing military force against Iraq.

He said that Secretary of State James Baker had met with each of the 15 members of the Security Council and will go to New York Thursday to chair the Security Council meeting.

''We are very hopeful,'' Fitzwater said.

He also said that the U.S. believes ''it would be better to do it by Saturday'' while the U.S. is still chairing the Security Council ''but if we don't we'll just have to work with Yemen,'' which takes over the chairmanship ''and do the best we can.''

Fitzwater decline to comment on whether any deadlines are included in the resolution.

He refused to comment on reports of a Jan. 1 deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait but he said, ''We think there is some value in having a date.''

''We want Saddam Hussein to know what we're talking about ... how long he has to act ... and to take some of the uncertainty out of the action,'' Fitzwater said.

''We hope that they will put out immediately,'' he said. ''We hope they will recognize that the United Nations and the 26-nation forces are serious and he

faces an imminent challenge.''

Fitzwater said that he also believes the multinational force has the ''tional force has the

''We have forces there to do anything,'' Fitzwater said.

The U.N. diplomats said the council as a whole would have to agree on a period allowing a diplomatic solution to work before ''all necessary means'' would be taken to force Iraq to comply with U.N. resolutions, one of which demanded that President Saddam Hussein withdraw its troops unconditionally from Kuwait.

Iraqi troops invaded and occupied Kuwait Aug. 2.

The ambassadors from the five countries met Sunday and continued Monday their private discussions at the Chinese ambassador's residence.

An American diplomatic source warned, however, that the date is negotiable.

''We should stay away from any particular date,'' the source said.

In Washington, a State Department official said the ''entire text of the resolution is under negotiations, including the proposed dates.''

The official said more discussions by the council's members are needed and ''nothing is settled.''

The American draft resolution asked the Security Council to authorize ''member states cooperating with the government of Kuwait, unless Iraq on or before Jan. 1, 1991, fully implements the foregoing resolutions, to use all necessary means to uphold and implement the Security Council resolutions passedin response to Iraq's invasion and occupation of Kuwait, and to restore international peace and security in the area.''

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - Sky watchers are being treated to their best view of Mars until 2001, with the mysterious Red Planet, Earth and the sun scheduled to be positioned in a straight line Tuesday.

Mars currently is about 20 times brighter than it was about a year ago, looking like a yellow-orange star in the northeast sky, said Alan MacRobert, associate editor at Sky and Telescope Magazine in Cambridge, Mass.

''This is a big time for amateur astronomers to get their last good look at Mars this century,'' MacRobert said Monday.

Alignment of Mars, Earth and the sun occurs about every two years, and Mars is closest to Earth around that time. Although the alignment, or ''opposition'' as astronomers call it, will occur about 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Mars was actually closest to Earth - about 48 million miles away - on Nov. 19.

However, if viewers missed that chance, Mars still remains unusually brilliant. ''Compared to a week ago, the difference in distance and brightness is very small,'' MacRobert said.

Mars rises about sunset, is highest in the sky about midnight and sets at sunrise. ''''Anybody can go out and look at it with the naked eye,'' MacRobert said.

Except for Jupiter, which looks like a white star in the eastern sky, Mars is the brightest object in the night sky because the moon is only a crescent in late November.

MacRobert emphasized the alignment of Mars with Earth and the sun should have no physical impact on Earth. ''People are always asking what is going to happen when planets align. The answer is: nothing,'' he said.

The scientists operating the Hubble Space Telescope plan to take advantage of the closeness of Mars and train their instruments on the planet Dec. 13 and 14 to see if they can spot any dust storms.

Mars was closer - and therefore brighter - during the September 1988 opposition, traveling within 36 million miles of Earth. However, the next opposition on Jan. 7, 1993 will see Mars considerably farther away - about 93 million miles.

The best viewing of Mars expected early next century will be in the alignment that takes place in 2003, when our fascinating neighbor will be just 35 million miles away.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed higher Monday in thin trading as a bond rally spilled over into stock market.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which gained 583.29 points last Thursday, rose 362.58 points - or 1.5 percent - to 23,762.86.

Markets in Tokyo were closed Friday for a national holiday.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares, which advanced 39.13 points Thursday, added another 19.42 points to 1,747.08.

Advances outpaced declines 672 to 315, while 147 issues remained unchanged.

An estimated 250 million shares changed hands, down from 368 million Thursday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices closed lower in light trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange with little news to drive the market.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index dropped 20.54 points, falling below the psychologically significant 3,000 level, closing at 2,995.52.

Among the narrower indexes, utilities dropped 25.04 points, financials fell 1.15, properties lost 18.75 and industrials fell 33.14 points.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 591 million shares.

In Singapore, stock prices slumped in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The Straits Times Industrial Index fell 7.69 points to 1,121.22. The broader-based All Singapore Index fell 1.70 points to 312.20.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 13.5 million shares.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stock prices tumbled nearly 6 percent in thin trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange in reaction to a sharp rise in local bank interest rates.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index dropped 37.10 points to 601.85.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 39 million Thai shares.

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In Australia, stock prices closed lower amid disappointing profit results and growing fears the Australian economy is sliding into a deep recession.

The All Ordinaries index lost 11.2 points to 1,355.4. The All Industrials index fell 20.4 points to 2,047.3 and the All Resources Index lost 6.0 points to 818.1.

Volume amounted to an estimated 61.4 million shares.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 26) UPI - The grain market was pressured by profit-taking and closed lower Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade, although soybeans rebounded from the day's lows on short-covering.

Opening prices were steady to firm, but quickly turned lower as buying interest faded. A number of contract lows were established in wheat and oats.

A statement by Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter that the Soviet Union would not receive export credits until it reformed its emigration laws contributed to the weakness across the floor. Soviet grain buyers were in the United States, but Yeutter said there had been no official requests for food aid.

Soybeans rallied on short-covering during the closing minutes, but were lower across the board. Commercials and professionals dominated the selling throughout the day.

Liquidation pressured December oats to a contract low of $1.04 per bushel and March to $1.16.

The weakness in oats carried over to the rest of the grains in moderate trading. Corn and wheat also were pressured by the lack of a food aid package to the Soviet Union.

Higher prices for precious metals and energy futures limited losses across the floor.

The export markets were quiet except for news that Jordan and Ecuador were in the market for 205,000 tons of wheat.

Basis levels were steady to firm.

At the close, corn was off 1 3/4 to 3 3/4, soybeans down 2 to 5 1/2, wheat off 4 to 6 and oats down 3 1/4 to 4.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Gold futures closed Monday 200 to 240 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	385.00	386.10	385.00	386.10	383.70
Dec	387.00	388.70	386.50	386.70	384.50
Jan	389.50	389.50	388.50	388.50	386.30
Feb	390.00	392.00	389.40	389.70	387.50
Apr	393.00	394.80	392.30	392.80	390.60
Jun	396.00	398.20	396.00	396.20	394.00
Aug	399.00	399.40	399.00	399.40	397.00
Oct	400.50	....	....	402.70	400.50

Dec	407.00	407.00	405.00	406.00	403.80
Feb	409.50	....	....	409.50	407.30
Apr	412.80	....	....	412.80	410.70
Jun	420.00	420.00	416.50	416.50	414.50
Aug	423.50	423.50	420.50	420.50	418.50

Open interest: 112,005 up 118.
Estimated sales: 43,000 contracts.

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#90330u0643 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	384.25	up	5.75
Morning fixing	387.05	up	2.80
Afternoon fixing	386.90	up	2.65
Close	387.00	up	2.75
Paris	386.15	up	12.49
Zurich	387.50	up	4.00
Hong Kong	385.25	up	5.90
New York			
Comex spot close	386.10	up	2.40
Republic cash	386.25	up	2.50
Handy and Harman	386.90	off	0.40

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 388.21 up 3.31 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 407.62 up 3.47 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.152	up	0.022
Republic cash	4.17	up	0.03

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.165 per fine ounce up 0.06

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.18 up 0.03 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.473 up 0.032

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 433.00 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 533.00 off 1.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 94.50 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 109.50 off 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90330u0647 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 26) UPI - Denver firefighters are making little headway in their effort to control a huge fire at a jet fuel depot near Stapleton International Airport. Two more storage tanks ruptured last night, adding hundreds of thousands of gallons of fuel to the fire. Four tanks are now burning out of control. Many flights are delayed, canceled or diverted to other airports where fuel is available.

President Bush returned home from his European and Middle East trip late Friday, and took off on another trip today. Bush left this morning for Mexico and two days of talks with President Carlos Salinas de Gortari. Free trade is expected to be the main issue of the discussions. Bush leaves again Sunday for a trip to Brazil, Uruguay, Argentina, Chile and Venezuela.

Canadian Foreign Minister Joe Clark said today in Cairo that a possible U-N Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq is NOT a bluff or a scare tactic. Clark says a resolution would be implemented if passed. He said Canada will support the resolution. Clark is visiting Egypt on the third leg of a Mideast tour for talks on the Gulf crisis. He heads next to Israel.

A man who recently returned to Poland after 21 years abroad will face Solidarity leader Lech Walesa in a December 9th runoff to decide who will be the nation's presdident. Exit polls show Walesa and Stanislaw Tyminski coming in first and second in yesterday's voting. Projections show Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki in third, out of the picture.

Fire crews are mopping up hot spots of a wildfire that destroyed a number of homes in the foothills north of Boulder, Colorado. About 150 people who were evacuated from homes in the Crestview subdivision Saturday night are back home. There were NO injuries in the blaze. Police say a man who allegedly started the fire by dragging a burning mattress out of his home is in jail.

Hundreds of thousands of Bulgarians are taking part in a strike today to force the resignation of Prime Minsiter Andrei Loukanov. In Sofia, bus transporation came to a virtual halt and only emergency rooms were operating in some hospitals. The strike committee chairman says by mid- morning, about 500-thousand people were on strike in cities across the country.

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#90330u0660 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - The publisher of the New York Daily News defended the hiring of permanent replacements at the strike-bound paper at a legislative hearing Monday and blamed its nine unions for escalating violence

in the bitter walkout.

"The campaign of unlawful violence and intimidation has been massive and it has been orchestrated by the unions," James Hoge told a hearing by the Joint Senate-Assembly Labor Committee into possible legislation banning strikebreakers and replacement workers.

Since the 2,500 News workers walked out Oct. 25, police say there have been 196 reports of strike-related violence, including arson, firebombings, vandalism, assaults, and brawling.

The hearings got under way with Theodore Kheel, adviser to the Allied Printing Trades Council, calling on the committee to recommend a ban on strikebreakers, "We will identify a thousand points of violence perpetrated or induced by the Daily News," he said.

Under sharp questioning by committee co-chairmen Sen. James Lack, R-Suffolk, and Assemblyman Frank Barbaro, D-Brooklyn, Hoge insisted that offers of help in negotiations by Gov. Mario Cuomo, Mayor David Dinkins, and others had been turned down because federal mediators were doing all that could be done to resolve the strike that began Oct. 25.

Hoge told the committee that there was no need for any further legislation. "No new law is needed to address violence," he said. "State and federal laws are directed at such violence. "Clearly, violence and intimidation are long-standing and premeditated tools of these unions to lawlessly enforce their will," he said.

In his beginning remarks, Barbaro told Hoge, "My experience has been that security guards, goons, and thugs engage in violence and blame it on unions. We will give you an opportunity to respond."

Hoge replied that security personnel hired by the paper had been instructed to avoid violence. He also denied that many permanent replacements were from out of the area. "Ninety-seven percent are residents of the five boroughs of New York," he said.

Barbaro told Hoge that by hiring workers on a permanent basis, "It appears that you are intent on breaking the unions." He said it was the first time in its history the paper had hired permanent replacements. "Use of permanent replacements lead to violence. We all condemn violence," he said.

Responded Hoge, "I do not think a connection can be made between replacement workers and violence. There are laws on the books that will take care of violence."

Earlier, he said to blame the replacement workers for strike violence was to "turn onto its head the whole arguement of right and wrong." "Replacement

workers are not guilty - they are the victims," he said.

He said in order to keep the News, owned by the Tribune Co. of Chicago, printing, "to hire temporary help in this kind of integrated process is not practical. To be fair to replacments, you make them permanent. That is lawful activity."

Barbaro chided Hoge about a local radio commercial placed by the News that likened striking union members to hard-line Communists in Eastern Europe, and told listeners, "some people in Eastern Europe never wanted the Berlin Wall to come down. Some people don't want change at the Daily News." "This is like the Red-baiting in the 30's and 40's," Barbaro said, adding that such tactics "hurt the American people."

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#90330u0664 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 26) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.49	2.49	2.42 3/4	2.43 1/2	2.48 3/4
Mar	2.64 1/2	2.65 1/4	2.59	2.60 1/4	2.64 3/4
May	2.74 1/2	2.74 1/2	2.67 1/2	2.68	2.74
Jly	2.81	2.81 1/2	2.75	2.75 3/4	2.81 1/2
Sep	2.81 1/4	2.82	2.81 1/4	2.81 1/2	2.86 1/2
Dec	2.98	2.98	2.92	2.93 1/2	2.97 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.23 1/4	2.23 1/4	2.18	2.18 3/4	2.22 1/2
Mar	2.34 1/4	2.34 1/2	2.29 3/4	2.30 1/2	2.33 1/2
May	2.43 1/4	2.43 1/4	2.38 1/2	2.39	2.41 3/4
Jly	2.49	2.49 1/4	2.45 1/2	2.45 3/4	2.48 1/2
Sep	2.49 1/2	2.50	2.46 1/2	2.46 3/4	2.48 3/4
Dec	2.49 3/4	2.50 3/4	2.47	2.47 3/4	2.49 1/2
Mar	2.56	2.56	2.54	2.54 1/2	2.56 1/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.06 1/2	1.07 1/4	1.04	1.04 1/2	1.08 1/2
Mar	1.18 1/4	1.18 3/4	1.16	1.16 1/4	1.20
May	1.25 1/2	1.25 1/2	1.22 1/2	1.22 3/4	1.26 1/2
Jly	1.31 1/4	1.31 1/4	1.29 1/4	1.29 1/2	1.32 3/4
Sep	1.38	1.38	1.36	1.36	1.39 1/4
Dec	1.44 1/2	1.44 1/2	1.44 1/2	1.44 1/2	1.48
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Jan	5.86 1/2	5.86	5.71 1/4	5.76 1/2	5.82

Mar	5.99	5.99	5.86	5.90 1/4	5.95 1/2
May	6.13	6.13	5.99	6.04	6.08 1/2
Jly	6.24	6.24	6.10	6.16	6.19 3/4
Aug	6.24	6.24	6.13	6.15 1/2	6.20
Sep	6.14	6.14	6.07	6.09 1/2	6.11 1/2
Nov	6.13 1/2	6.13 1/2	6.05 1/4	6.08 1/4	6.11
Jan	6.17	6.17	6.17	6.17	6.21
Mar	6.30	6.30	6.30	6.30	6.32

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	20.50	20.55	20.03	20.34	20.33
Jan	20.75	20.82	20.30	20.61	20.58
Mar	21.09	21.14	20.66	20.98	20.93
May	21.45	21.50	21.03	21.32	21.30
Jul	21.75	21.75	21.33	21.45	21.53
Aug	21.80	21.80	21.35	21.42	21.52
Sep	21.85	21.85	21.40	21.47	21.55
Oct	21.50	21.65	21.40	21.55	21.67
Dec	21.50	21.60	21.45	21.50	21.65
Jan	21.45	21.55	....	21.50	21.65

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	175.50	175.90	171.80	173.20	175.30
Jan	178.90	178.90	174.60	175.80	177.90
Mar	182.20	182.30	178.40	179.70	181.70
May	184.00	184.50	181.00	181.90	183.30
Jly	186.80	187.00	184.00	184.80	185.60
Aug	189.00	189.00	185.50	185.50	186.70
Sep	188.00	188.00	184.50	184.50	185.00
Oct	186.00	186.00	183.00	183.50	183.05
Dec	185.00	185.00	185.00	185.00	185.50
Jan	184.00	185.00	....	184.50	185.00

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#90330u0665 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - The Justice Department said Monday it pulled in more than a quarter billion dollars in judgments and settlements during the past year from companies that defrauded the government.

The $257 million collected by the government in fiscal 1990 includes 13 cases involving recoveries of $5 million or more, pushing the total past 1989's figure of $225 million.

Fraud directed at the Defense Department made up a large part of the cases, including a $34 million settlement last December in a case brought against a bid-rigging cartel in Japan.

In that case, the military charged that construction costs of a U.S. Navy facility in Yokosuka, Japan, were inflated by 25 percent because of collusive bidding by 140 companies, including some of Japan's largest. The Justice Department has reached settlements with 137 of the 140 companies involved.

"This case sets a precedent for future cases against foreign companies that attempt to defraud the U.S. government," Attorney General Dick Thornburgh said in a statement. "The Civil Division is continuing to follow up on other investigative leads concerning bid-rigging at other U.S. bases in the Far East." Other military fraud cases include:

- General Electric agreed to pay $30 million in fines and civil penalties for overcharging the Army for a battlefield computer.

- The VSI Corp., a subsidiary of Fairchild Industries, agreed to a $14.5 million settlement over charges that VSI's Voi-Shan Aerospace Products Group provided untested nuts, bolts and screws to airplane manufacturers, who then used them on government contracts.

- Five companies - Boeing, RCA, Hughes Aircraft, Grumman and Raytheon agreed to settlements totalling $13.5 million for obtaining classified Defense Department documents that may have given them an edge in winning defense contracts.

Thornburgh said the steady increase over the past four years in fraud recoveries is due in part to 1986 amendments to the False Claims Act that allowed the government to recover triple damages. The amendments also clarified proof requirements in such cases.

The amendments also liberalized the False Claims Act to make it easier for private citizens to bring fraud suits on behalf of the government. Some 280 of the so-called qui tam suits have been filed since October 1986.

The government has intervened in 42 of the suits, settling 28 of them, the Justice Department said. Of the $70 million it has recovered, $9 million went to the individuals who filed the original actions.

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#90330u0700 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (NOV. 26) UPI - Houston Astros owner John McMullen said Monday he will sell the National League team and prefers local ownership for the franchise.

McMullen said in a statement released by the Astros that the Houston Sports Association, the group that owns the club, has notified the baseball commissioner's office of its intent to sell the team. McMullen is the majority owner of HSA.

''Having been so completely involved over 12 years with HSA and the Astros, the time has come for me to devote more of my time and energies to my family and my many other interests,'' said McMullen, who also owns the New Jersey Devils hockey team.

McMullen added that, because of his longstanding commitment to Houston and Harris County, he would prefer that local interests purchase the Astros. He also said that while he has no definite timetable for completing the sale, it would be he objective to find a ''prospective purchaser for the Astros in the near future.''

HSA has engaged Salomon Brothers as its financial advisor.

''I want to thank the Astros' fans for their support through these many years '' McMullen said. ''It is with deep regret that I shall be severing my connection with the Astros baseball team.''

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#90330u0724 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 26) UPI - Margaret Thatcher's handpicked successor, Chancellor John Major, her nemesis Michael Heseltine and Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd each expressed optimism Monday that he would be the next prime minister of Britain.

Major's camp said it had at least 160 votes - 27 fewer than needed for victory on a second-round poll of ruling Conservative members of Parliament Tuesday. Heseltine said he had more but declined to give a figure. Hurd supporters said he would post a close second, and win on a runoff ballot.

If all of their figures were to be believed, the total far exceeds the 372 MPs who will be voting.

If no candidate tallies 187 votes, a third ballot will be conducted under different rules Thursday.

''The only thing that matters on Tuesday is that 372 members of Parliament express their preference, and on Tuesday or Thursday we will have a result,'' Major said.

Thatcher continued a round of farewells to friends and acquaintances from 15 years as Conservative Party leader and 11 1/2 years as prime minister. She had drinks at the Central Office of Information, visited party headquarters and hosted an event for the Downing Street staff.

''Hip, hip, hooray,'' shouted party workers, whom she led to three consecutive election victories.

Thatcher has received more than 1,000 bouquets of flowers since being pressured into announcing Thursday she would resign as soon as a successor can be found. ''Kew Gardens was eclipsed,'' said an aide, referring to botanical gardens southwest of London. The prime minister also received 12,000 letters by Sunday, plus another five sackfuls Monday.

A close aide blamed Thatcher's ouster on ''disappointed and disaffected men'' who have languished on the backbenches of Parliament.

''Prime ministers, if they do their jobs, they make enemies,'' he said. ''They don't promote people who think they should be, and that is a deep and grievous offense to their vanities,'' he said, adding others become detractors after they are dismissed from posts.

A flagging economy and extreme opposition to a new controversial tax to fund local government also cost Thatcher support, he said.

Thatcher was disappointed that her tenure ended abruptly and with a push, but she has accepted it as the way of politics.

''She did not want to leave on a wave of backbiting and recriminations,'' the aide said, ''she would have rather liked to have gone on.''

Although she has not made a public endorsement, he said Thatcher would like Major to succeed her.

''She regards him as a true man of the people,'' he said. ''She has had her eye on him for quite some time.''

Major earned Thatcher's respect in the early 1980s when he disagreed with her on a policy matter and doggedly argued his case, the aide said.

Because she was impressed that he ''managed to accomplish a great deal without breaking any bones,'' she assisted him in a meteoric rise through government to the post of chancellor of the exchequer after a short stint as foreign secretary.

''He knows what it is to rough it and to be unemployed,'' the aide said. ''He is in touch with ordinary people. She is certainly backing him.''

The youngest of the three candidates for prime minister, bristled at suggestions that he is the standardbearer of Thatcherism.

''I am not running as 'son of Thatcher' - I am running as myself with my own priorities and my own program,'' said Major, 47.

If none of the three candidates secures a simple majority, 187 votes, Tuesday,

the contest goes to a third and final round Thursday.

In a third round, MPs will select first and second preferences. If no candidate has an overall majority, the contender with the fewest first preference votes would be eliminated. The second choice on ballots backing him would be distributed among the two remaining candidates.

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#90330u0734 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

put nxf md to icb ihm xra nnx NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 15 to 22 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.96	10.16	9.96	10.00	9.83
May	10.06	10.15	9.98	10.03	9.84
Jly	10.11	10.13	9.99	10.03	9.83
Oct	10.10	10.13	10.03	10.03	9.81
Mar	10.14	10.14	10.11	10.04	9.89

Estimated sales: 16,148 contracts

Open interest: 109,139 up 1,630

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.15

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 9 points higher to 2 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.09	23.12	23.09	23.12	23.09
Mar	23.10	23.11	23.10	23.10	23.10
May	23.15	23.11	23.10	23.10	23.10
Jly	23.15	23.15	23.14	23.14	23.13
Sep	23.10	....	....	23.10	23.08
Nov	22.95	....	....	22.94	22.96
Jan	23.10	....	....	23.04	22.95

Estimated sales: 260 contracts

Open interest: 12,365 up 519

-30- 1226

#90330u0779 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

BASTIA, CORSICA (NOV. 26) UPI - Hundreds of gun-toting separatist militants held a news conference in remote mountains Monday, fueling fears President Francois Mitterrand's government may have miscalculated badly by giving the island a special status.

Some 400 hooded, armed men belonging to a dissident faction of the outlawed

National Front for the Liberation of Corsica took part in the show of strength in the early hours in the rugged northern region of Borgo.

''To be recognized by the French state does not hinder the Corsican people to exist,'' the militants said in a statement. This was a reference to a new statute for Corsica adopted by the National Assembly Saturday in which the Socialist government for the first time made explicit reference to ''the Corsican People.''

The separatists demanded the government ''engage in a true policy of de-colonization.'' In an apparent threat to step up terrorist activities, the nationalists warned that otherwise they would take ''responsibility in all domains and with all the appropriate means for a struggle of national liberation.''

Observers said the appearance of the militant faction would provide little comfort to conservative opponents of President Mitterrand who voted against the statute. The Rally for the Republic Party and the Union for French Democracy contend that Corsica is not Corsican but French.

The statute was drawn up by Interior Minister Pierre Joxe after he made several visits to Corsica to sound out islanders' opinions. But it only was passed by Parliament over fierce right-wing and Communist opposition because a handful of Corsican conservatives broke party ranks to vote with the government.

Throughout the stormy debate on the special status for the island Joxe contended that its introduction would end 15 years of nationalist violence.

Critics of the bill fear it could have the opposite effect and that the legislation's devolution of powers to sometimes backward local authorities will encourage political or nepotistic distribution of jobs, homes and contracts in the tourism and building industries.

-30- 2311

#90330u0801 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (NOV. 26) UPI - Czechoslovakia's once all-powerful Communist Party emerged surprisingly strengthened from local government elections held Friday and Saturday, new returns showed Monday.

The Communists took several percentage points more than their results in last June's parliamentary elections, winning 13.6 percent of the vote in Slovakia and 17.4 percent of the vote in the Czech lands.

Last June, the Communists took just over 13 percent of the vote nationwide.

Civic Forum, the pro-democracy coalition that led last November's

anti-Communist ''Velvet Revolution,'' also emerged strengthened from the elections, gathering 40 percent of the vote and 33 percent of the mandates in the Czech lands.

Nationalist parties suffered the worst defeats, winning no more than 6 percent in the Czech lands of Moravia and Silesia.

Christian Democrats also fared well, leading the vote in Slovakia and placing second in Moravia and Silesia.

Forum officials had been worried that increasingly popular restiveness over the slow pace of economic reform and squabbling between leftist and right-wing factions within Civic Forum could have caused voters to turn elsewhere.

According to projections, the Communists did their best in medium- sized cities of 50,000 to 100,000 population, the main cities of Czechoslovakia's aging industrial and mining ''rust belt.''

The Communists campaigned as the protectors of the working class and the soon-to-be unemployed.

The pro-Communist vote appeared to reflect unhappiness with the government's unfolding free-market economic reforms.

''It was a clear expression of fear of the impact of economic reforms,'' Civic Forum spokesman Vladimir Zelezny said of the high Communist vote in industrial towns.

Inflation was expected to hit 20 percent next year, and more than 1 million people may be unemployed at the end of 1992, according to government figures.

Despite finishing in third place overall in Slovakia, where voters chose mayors directly, Communists won more mayoral posts than any other party.

Communists were elected mayor in over 660 towns, 24.2 percent of Slovakia's total.

The Christian Democratic Movement finished first in Slovakia, with 27.5 percent of the vote and 10,564 local government seats.

Public Against Violence, Civic Forum's Slovak partner, won 20.4 percent of the vote and the Communists won 13.6 percent of the vote. PAV candidates were elected mayor in Slovakia's two largest cities, Bratislava and Kosice.

President Vaclav Havel's press spokesman, Michael Zantovsky, said the Communist showing was ''an unpleasant surprise.'' But he said Havel was ''satisfied'' with the results.

''The Communists' results are not much bigger than the numbers they got in the parliamentary elections,'' Zantovsky said.

But, he added, ''We must consider one thing: the Communist Party has still a very dense network of local organizations and therefore the Communist Party has immense financial and technical means at their disposal.''

A total of 63.75 percent of the 3,661,717 eligible voters went to the polls in Slovakia, and in the Czech lands of Bohemia and Moravia, an estimated 74.8 percent of 7,449,543 eligible voters turned out.

While such turnouts would be considered high in the West, almost 97 percent of voters went to the polls in last June's parliamentary elections, the first free vote in Czechoslovakia since 1946.

Havel, who had encouraged voters to choose personalities and not parties in the local elections, admitted the strategy did not work.

''It's the problem of all big cities. No one has the time to go to all these campaign meetings, therfore I think voters should choose according to their parties,'' Havel said.

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#90330u0803 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 26) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $3 to $17 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.55 cent to 3.15 cents a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.75 cent higher to 0.20 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.41 cent higher to 0.15 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.00 to $2.40 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $2.70 to $2.90 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 4.20 cents to 6.25 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 2.2 to 2.7 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.015 to 0.022 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

-30- 970
#90330u0804 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 26) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in light trading.

Bonds - Mostly lower.

American Stocks - Lower in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in thin trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1 3/4 to 3 3/4, soybeans down 2 to 5 1/2, wheat off 4 to 6 and oats down 3 1/4 to 4.

Cattle Trade - Steady; top $81.00.

-30- 699
#90330u0811 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.73

60 to 89 days 7.96

90 to 119 days 7.83

120 to 149 days 7.71

150 to 179 days 7.61

180 to 270 days 7.54

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.75 - 7.75

Issuers 30 days 7.61

Issuers 90 days 7.78

Issuers 270 days 7.36

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.81

60 to 89 days 8.18

90 to 119 days 8.12

120 to 149 days 8.03

150 to 179 days 7.96

180 days 7.93

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 11-16 - 7 13-16

1 month 7.75 - 7.875

3 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

6 month 7.875 - 8.00

Year 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.03 - 7.01

6 months 6.99 - 6.97

Year 6.78 - 6.76

Federal Funds: High 7 9-16, Low 7 1/2, Close 7 9-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 7.657 up 0.022.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

-30- 1321
#90330u0826 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
AGUALEGUAS, MEXICO (NOV. 26) UPI - President Bush and Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari began a two-day summit Monday highlighted by efforts to promote free trade between the two nations.

The two North American leaders conferred in Salinas's private residence in the small town of Agualeguas after they watched a festive folk dance and a colorful rodeo.

School children tossed red, white, blue and green confetti at the presidential motorade. Both leaders wore open collars as they waved to the crowd.

Bush and Salinas arranged an exchange of remarks at formal welcoming ceremonies later Monday in nearby Monterrey, an industrial city.

In prepared remarks, Salinas said:

''We welcome the arrival of a man sensitive to our traditions and knowledgeable about the culture of Mexicans.''

Salinas also said, ''Our new relationship as neighbors provides more benefits to our people and greater to strength to our nations. We are determined to show that the new currents toward freedom, tolerance and cooperation between Mexico and the United States can be permanently beneficial.''

Fitzwater said that Bush, in his response, will talk about ''a promising moment in our shared history'' and declare that Mexican- American relations ''have never been better.''.

Salinas, a 42-year-old Harvard educated economist, has been in office nearly

two years during which he has moved to bolster the economy and attack corruption. He has sought to be a reformer and believes a key way to upgrade Mexico is to foster improved ties with the United States.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters en route to Mexico that the Bush-Salinas talks would cover a wide range of issues, from drugs to Mexico's debt to the United States, but would likely concentrate on efforts to develop a landmark free trade agreement between the nations.

Bush and Salinas agreed to seek a free trade agreement during their meeting in Washington last June. Formal negotiations are to begin next year.

The AFL-CIO is poised to defeat any trade agreement, arguing competition from low paid Mexicans would destoy U.S. jobs and reduce wages.

Fitzwater, responding to those concerns, said, ''We want a trade agreement that would create jobs.''

Salinas views removal of tariff and quotas as a way to stimulate his nation's economy with new jobs and investment. But he also says he wants to exempt Mexican oil from any free trade agreement.

''The oil is the property of the Mexican government,'' Salinas said in the current edition of Newsweek Magazine. ''It will stay that way.''

Critics of the Mexican leader, however, are not convinced. They are afraid Salinas will compromise away some oil rights in an effort to become a bigger trading partner with the United States.

Bush, in a recent interview with Mexico's official news agency, said, ''Although I recognize Mexico's determination to control its own resources, I am convinced there are important areas in which we could work together and which could be mutually advantageous for investment and exploration of oil and natural gas.''

The United States already accounts for more than 50 percent of Mexico's petroleum exports. In September, Mexico increased its shipments to the United States by 100,000 barrels a day in response to the shortages caused by the Persian Gulf crisis.

Speaking to reporters aboard Air Force One, Fitzwater said he did not expect oil to be a major topic in the discussions between the two leaders. He also said the United States is encouraged by the progress that has been made thus far in informal talks on the trade pact and said U.S. Trade Ambassador Carla Hills ''thinks it's on track.''

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce predicts that the current $52 billion in annual U.S.-Mexican trade could more than double under a free trade agreement.

Although Mexico has thus far sent no troops to the Persian Gulf, Salinas recently offered to order some of his forces to the region if if the United Nations adopts a resolution authorizing the use of force to drive Iraq out of Kuwait.

Fitzwater said Bush had no plans to press Salinas on this offer.

''We haven't asked anyone to send troops,'' Fitzwater said. ''Anyone who wants to send troops should talk to Saudi Arabia, where many of the multinational forces are based.

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#90330u0829 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - The Supreme Court agreed Monday to decide if the sexual assault conviction of a Michigan man was properly overturned because he was not allowed to testify about past consensual sexual contact with the alleged victim.

The court agreed to review a decision of the Michigan Court of Appeals, which reversed the 1985 conviction of Nolan K. Lucas on two counts of third-degree criminal sexual conduct.

Lucas, who was sentenced to a prison term of 44 to 180 months, was precluded at his trial from introducing some evidence of past sexual relations with the woman solely because his lawyers failed to file a timely notice of their intention to present such evidence.

While the Michigan rape shield statute specifies a notice of such evidence must be given within 10 days of an arraignment, the Michigan Court of Appeals ruled the trial court erred in this case by not even exploring - without the jury present - the extent of the evidence to see if an exception should be made.

The conviction was overturned and the case sent back to the lower court for a new trial, prompting the state's appeal to the Supreme Court.

In this case, Lucas was charged with sexually assaulting a woman who had been his girlfriend for six to seven months before the alleged attack.

The woman claimed Lucas forced her to have sex at knifepoint on Aug. 31, 1984, two weeks after their relationship ended.

Lucas contends the sex was consensual. His lawyers claim the issue now at hand is whether an accused's right to confront charges against him outweigh technical legal deadlines.

The state of Michigan, in asking the high court to take the case, said the motion to admit evidence of past sexual conduct between Lucas and the woman was not made until the first day of the trial, and that despite the ruling against its inclusion much discussion of their relationship was permitted at the trial.

The Michigan Court of Appeals noted that because ''virtually all of the evidence'' at trial consisted of the woman's word against Lucas's, their prior sexual history together ''goes to the issue of credibility.''

Michigan's rape shield statute, like those in most states, was enacted to protect women from having irrelevant past sexual activity exposed at a rape trial and to ensure such testimony is not used to harass or intimidate women.

The high court earlier this term refused a request by a man convicted of sexual assault in Illinois to review the constitutionality of that state's rape shield law.

90-149 People of State of Michigan vs. Nolan K. Lucas

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#90330u0831 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 26) UPI - Monday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.33 1/2 off 5 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.63 1/2- 5.68 1/2 off 10 1/2 to 7 1/2.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.19 3/4 off 3 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.23 3/4-2.29 1/4 off 6 3/4 to 2 1/4.

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#90330u0838 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	66 1-2	off	3-8
AT&T Company	32 1-4	up	1-8
BCE Inc	33 5-8	unch	
Bell Atlantic	52 1-2	off	5-8
BellSouth Corp	53 1-4	off	1-8
Exxon Corp	51	off	1-8
Ford Motor Co	27 1-2	up	5-8

Genl Electric	53	1-4	off	3-8
General Motors	37	1-4	off	1-8
GTE Corp	27	7-8	unch	
IBM Corp	113	7-8	up 1	1-4
Mobil Oil Corp	58	3-4	up 1	1-4
Nynex Corp	70		off	1-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24	3-8	off	1-8
Pacific Telesis	44		off	5-8
Phila Electric	16	3-8	off	3-8
Sears Roebuck	25	3-4	up	1-4
Southern Co	26	1-2	unch	
Sthwestern Bell	52	1-4	off	5-8
US West Inc	36	7-8	off	1-4

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#90330u0846 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 26) UPI - The government Monday presented an austerity budget to the Parliament that included a freeze on spending by enterprises and major cuts in defense and foreign aid, spelling trouble for such allies as Cuba and Vietnam.

The draft budget, presented by Finance Minister Valentin Pavlov, has a deficit of $21.12 billion.

Pavlov painted a bleak picture, noting that the country is entering the second year in a production slump with the ruble losing its value precipitously.

National income, the Soviet chief money figure for goods produced, was $20.8 billion less than 1990 but wages were $49 billion higher, he said.

The yawning gap between income and wages represents minus productivity in the Soviet economy, an indication of the inflation rate and is a direct cause of the depreciating ruble.

To shore up the ruble, whose black market rate is about 10 cents opposed to the official $1.60, Pavlov said a temporary freeze will be placed on monetary resources that firms and plants do not use before Dec. 1.

Pavlov promised the moratorium will freeze about $80 billion to $96 billion. Because Soviet firms often use much of their money reserves for consumer goods for their workers, the freeze will stop spending.

The minister outlined cuts of up to 30 percent on the administrative bodies and the upkeep of the government - slashes that will constrict the vast bureaucracy centered in Moscow.

The military's $81 billion budget is 10 percent, or $11 billion, less than in

1990.

In what could spell the beginning of the end of aid to Vietnam and Cuba, who each receive $5 billion yearly from Moscow, Pavlov said ''Gratuitous assistance to foreign countries will be cut 75 percent,'' the official Tass news agency said.

He also said credits to foreign countries will be slashed 50 percent from 1990 an indication that nations needing Soviet natural resources and products will have to pay for them in cash.

Because next year the 15 republics will assume greater responsibility for their spending, the budget presented by Pavlov appeared to be half of the budget that was approved last year when the central government was responsible for the entire country.

Pavlov explained that state budget revenues of 1990 will amount to $723 billion and expenses will be $812 billion, leaving a deficit of $89 billion.

But in 1991, the central state revenues will be $396.5 billion with expenditures at $417.9 billion, a deficit of $21.2 billion.

The difference represents the growing portion of expenses the republics will be assuming and the deficit they will take on.

But in view of President Mikhail Gorbachev's expressed desire for a government revamping that will give him control of all ministries, Monday's session in Parliament had an unreal atmosphere.

The budget presented was drawn by Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov, whose political exit has been rumored since Gorbachev presented his government reorganization plan nine days ago.

Ryzhkov said Sunday only the Congress of People's Deputies could force him out of office. That body is to meet Dec. 17.

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#90330u0855 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - Food scientist Mike Gould, wheat farmer Joe Jagger and professor Jimmy Cheek each represent a part of the food and fiber system, an industry that employs 20 million people in a seemingly endless array of jobs.

The new edition of the Yearbook of Agriculture cites their work, along with the endeavors of several dozen others, as examples of the diversity of modern agriculture. The Agriculture Department issued the 1990 yearbook Monday.

President Lincoln, who signed the 1862 law creating the department, called it ''the people's department - closer to the people than any other.''

''And it still is,'' editor Deborah Smith said, with the 1990 yearbook intended to give readers a first-hand idea of the vast variety of jobs involved in food and fiber production.

Gould, for instance, came up with a high-fiber flour that utilizes crop byproducts. Cheek was named as the top teacher at the University of Florida's College of Agriculture for his class that hones the writing and speaking skills of students.

Jagger, 69, is retiring from farming this year on land homesteaded in 1866 in north central Kansas. His story about wheat farming is sandwiched between sketches of Wisconsin dairy farmer Carroll Kepler and apple grower Grady Auvil in Washington state.

The yearbook also salutes the centennial of the 17 historically black land-grant colleges formed under an 1890 law, as well as describing the impact the schools have had. One chapter shows how the Abraham Carpenter family expanded from a three-acre fruit and vegtable farm to a 450-acre operation.

Another chapter traces the rise of Joseph Stewart, a graduate of Southern University who entered the food service industry and now is a senior vice president of the Kellogg Co.

''To the young people reading this book - and to others who enjoy a challenge - I invite you to join the food and agriculture industry,'' Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter, who grew up on a Nebraska farm, wrote in the foreword to the year book. ''Agriculture abounds with good opportunities.''

Along with the profiles of individuals, the yearbook devotes 22 of its 200 pages to describing agricultural output, types of farms, the work force and the structure of food production.

The government began issuing the Yearbook of Agriculture in 1894, but it preceded by annual publications dating back to 1849. For the past couple of decades, each edition has been devoted to a specific topic.

Copies of the yearbook, ''Americans in Agriculture: Portraits of Diversity,'' cost $10 and will be sold at government bookstores and from the Superintendent of Documents. Members of Congress also receive a limited number of the book for free distribution.

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#90330u0881 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Monday - $32,680,000
1990 to date - $9,919,271,000

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#90330u0888 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:
Stocks - 9,460,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,045,537,010
Bonds - $3,460,000
1990 to date - $672,688,000

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#90330u0893 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 295.98, low 294.65, close 295.92, up 0.02.

The average share price of an Amex share was unchanged.

Volume 9,460,000 shares, compared with 5, 866,520 Friday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	7
New Lows	42
Advances	221
Declines	331
Unchanged	249
Total Issues	781

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#90330u0894 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (NOV. 26) UPI - A new radiological technique may eliminate the need for invasive coronary angiograms to detect hardening of the arteries, a researcher reported Monday.

Radiologist Jerome Breen of the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., said ultrafast computed tomography or CT appears able to rule out coronary artery disease in all cases in which angiograms have found no significant calcium deposits in the blood vessels.

The advantage of ultrafast CT is that it is non-invasive, while an angiogram involves injecting dyes and inserting a catheter into a groin artery and threading the catheter into chest arteries, Breen said.

More than 40 million Americans suffer from heart disease and more than 500,000 die of it annually. As many as half of those who suffer sudden cardiac death

have no obvious earlier symptoms.

In a study presented to the Radiological Society of America's annual meeting, Breen's team performed ultrafast CT on 100 patients ages 23 to 59 who had been referred for coronary angiograms after complaining of symptoms like chest pain or chest tightness. In all cases, the result of the ultrafast CT mirrored the result of the angiograms.

''Ultrafast CT appeared to be able to rule out significant coronary artery disease in 100 percent of the cases we studied who did not have coronary disease,'' Breen said.

Ultrafast CT detects calcium deposits in the arteries, and promises to be especially effective in early diagnosis, the researcher added.

Breen said the only other non-invasive technique is the treadmill - or stress - test, but that test will not show positive results until an individual ''has significant disease.''

''CT, however, may be able to pick up coronary artery disease at a very early stage,'' said Breen, noting further research needs to be performed.

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#90330u0898 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 26) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Monday - 8,499,000

1990 to date - 2,240,046,000

The market closed mixed.

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#90330u0900 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	49,325,388	19 7/8	off 1/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	43,981,508	70 1/4	up 1 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	35,416,284	36	up 1/2
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	24,141,218	36 3/4	up 3/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	18,829,056	38 1/8	off 1/4
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	17,149,814	29 1/4	unch
Autodesk Inc	(ACAD)	15,190,626	45 3/4	up 1 1/2
St Jude Medcl	(STMD)	13,839,314	33 1/4	up 1 3/4
Core States Fn	(CSFN)	13,686,369	29 1/8	off 5/8
Medco		13,239,630	28 3/8	off 5/8

Composite Index 153.51 off 0.04

NMS volume 70,177,104 shares.

Advances	666
Declines	804
Unchanged	1,306
Total	2,776

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#90330u0902 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 26) UPI - Hundreds of exiled Kuwaiti army volunteers swarmed their defense minister Monday after completing military training, chanting, ''Take us to the border,'' and vowing to help liberate their captive country.

About 600 volunteers, a rag-tag collection of refugees of varying ages, completed four weeks of desert training in hand-to-hand combat and firearms use. They were the first class to graduate in Saudi Arabia, although another batch of roughly 600 refugees trained in the United Arab Emirates.

In all, approximately 7,000 Kuwaiti volunteers from around the world signed up to fight. They are being trained 600 at a time in Saudi Arabia by Kuwaiti military officials and are expected to augment the 4,500- strong Kuwaiti army that escaped Iraqi forces after the Aug. 2 invasion.

Many of the graduates may be given support roles in the multinational alliance against Iraq.

During Monday's ceremony Sheikh Nawaf Alahmed Al-Jaber, the defense minister, watched drill formations, mock combat, gave a brief speech and handed out certificates of graduation.

''My brothers, what I see today and what I hear about your faithful training gives me hope for a victorious liberation of our beloved country,'' he said. ''You are setting a marvelous example to unite the people of Kuwait like a building that will not crumble.''

As he was whisked to his motorcade he turned and walked quickly toward the troops across their dusty training grounds. The volunteer soldiers, many middle-aged and plump around the waist, rushed toward Nawaf and encircled him.

The defense minister tried to speak but was drowned out by emotional chants of ''Free Kuwait,'' ''Long live Kuwait'' and ''Take us to the border.''

The impromptu meeting with the volunteers was emotionally charged, and Saudi security forces tried desparately to keep the media and volunteers from

crushing the defense minster.

He did not respond to a shouted question about a deadline for using military force to attempt to dislodge Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's troops from the emirate. But, Kuwaiti Gen. Jaber Al-Khaled Al-Sabah turned and predicted, ''You will get your answer.''

After the dust had settled, literally, Kuwaiti volunteers reflected on the events of the day.

''I feel after this graduation ceremony we have taken the first step to free Kuwait. This is the first step ... and the next step is coming soon,'' said Ahmad Al-Dhafeeri, 22, who was scheduled to begin his junior year at Marshall University in Huntington, W.Va., but after the Iraqi invasion volunteered to fight instead.

''Sometimes you can't sleep at night, just thinking about Kuwait,'' he said.

Other volunteers who studied in the United States shared the desire for a quick resolution to the crisis.

''I'm happy to graduate and I want to go on the frontline,'' said Khalid, a 30-year-old who earned his master's degree in business at Fonbonne College in St. Louis.

Khalid, who asked that his family name not be used because relatives are still in Kuwait, wanted to pursue a doctorate degree from Washington University in St. Louis. Instead, he came to Saudi Arabia to learn how to fight.

Also returning to fight was Mutlaq Al-Azmi, 22, a steward for Kuwaiti Airlines who was working a flight abroad when Iraqi troops stormed southward.

''It's difficult to stay away from your country, and your feeling's you can't concentrate, you can't think, you can't stay alive without your country,'' he said.

For the moment, however, some 400,000 Kuwaitis have fled their country. An estimated 300,000 are refugees in Saudi Arabia. Kuwaiti population estimates before the invasion range from 700,000 to 1.2 million people.

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#90330u0904 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2533.17	up	5.94
20 Trans	835.80	off	8.32
15 Utils	209.88	up	0.88
65 Stocks	881.33	off	0.34

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(NOV. 26) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	172.96	up	0.57
ASE Market Value Index	295.92	up	0.02
Dow-Jones Industrial	2533.17	up	5.94

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#90330u0911 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2533.17	up	5.94	835.80	off	8.32	209.88	up	0.88
Friday	2527.23	off	12.13	844.12	off	5.73	209.00	up	0.31
Week ago	2565.35	up	15.10	867.79	up	3.33	208.69	up	0.44
Month ago	2430.20	off	5.94	827.11	off	9.98	208.38	off	0.31
Year ago	2694.97	up	19.42	1178.34	up	2.31	222.46	up	0.88
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90330u0921 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 41 points higher to 15 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	75.07	75.75	75.07	75.38	74.97
Mar	74.15	74.42	73.70	73.85	73.93
May	74.20	74.35	73.75	73.80	73.93
Jly	74.30	74.50	73.80	73.85	74.00
Oct	67.70	67.70	67.70	67.65	67.68
Dec	65.30	65.45	65.23	65.24	65.23
Mar	66.01	....	....	66.03	66.06
May	66.20	....	....	66.53	66.50

Estimated sales: 3,805 contracts
Open interest: 40,287 off 1,457
The World spot average: 69.36

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#90330u0924 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks	-	131,540,000 shares
1990 to date	-	35,928,947,841
Warrants	-	1,121,600
1990 to date	-	233,505,800

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#90330u0926 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.24	up 0.11
10 Public Utils	92.50	up 0.29
10 Industrials	87.99	off 0.06

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#90330u0930 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	295.92	up 0.02
High Technology	312.51	up 0.45
Capital Goods	312.06	off 0.12
Consumer Goods	375.48	off 0.63
Service	668.97	off 4.09
Retail	935.87	up 0.79
Financial	349.75	off 0.53
Natural Resources	215.14	up 0.64
Housing-Const-Land	224.07	up 8.63

There was no change in the average price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS		
New England	387.50	off 2.57
Mid Atlantic	399.08	off 0.46
No Central	386.19	up 0.63
So Atlantic	820.10	off 3.86
So Central	297.67	off 2.73
Mountain	102.82	off 0.26
Pacific	342.66	up 2.14
Foreign	212.34	up 0.83

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#90330u0935 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2511.88	2541.58	2489.85	2533.17	up 5.94
20 Trans	839.13	845.04	821.93	835.80	off 8.32
15 Utils	208.31	210.26	206.68	209.88	up 0.88
65 Stock	876.80	885.72	866.67	881.33	off 0.34

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	16,313,600	6,788,400
Trans	3,198,500	781,900
Utils	1,852,900	1,057,100
65 Stock	21,365,000	8,627,400

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.24	up 0.11
10 Public Utils	92.50	up 0.29
10 Industrials	87.99	off 0.06

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 125.37 up 0.16.

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#90330u0940 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (NOV. 26) UPI - The Pontiac division of General Motors Corp. said Monday it has started a program under which it will pay up to half the deductible on insurance claims to help boost sales of its Firebird car.

The program will be tested through Jan. 31 in four Western states - Arizona, California, Nevada and Texas. It may be offered nationally if successful, Pontiac spokesman Reggie Harris said.

Called the Firebird Insurance Reassurance Plan, Pontiac will pay up to half the $1,000 deductible, or $500, on the first insurance claim on new 1990 and 1991 Firebird cars.

"By carrying a higher insurance deductible, buyers' insurance premiums will be lower," Harris explained, adding that the offer is the first of its kind in the auto industry.

Pontiac also is offering buyers a $750 discount on their next Pontiac car to those Firebird owners who never file a claim. That offer extends from six months to five years from the date of purchase, and is in addition to any other rebates or incentives in effect at the time.

Firebird sales have been hampered in part by high insurance rates, although

Harris said a new anti-theft system and the addition of a driver-side air bag have helped contain premiums. Firebird sales so far this year through Nov. 10 are 29.3 percent below year-ago levels.

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#90330u0943 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (NOV. 26) UPI - An upgraded Delta 2 rocket thundered toward space Monday to boost a $65 million military ''Navstar'' satellite into orbit, the 10th in a globe-spanning network of navigation beacons.

The 126-foot Delta 2 roared to life at 4:39 p.m. EST - seven minutes late because of last minute technical problems - and swiftly climbed away from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station adjacent to the Kennedy Space Center.

It was the first Delta 2 to be equipped with more powerful solid-fuel strap-on boosters, allowing the slender rocket to lift payloads weighing up to 4,010 pounds into the preliminary orbits used by communications satellites.

The rocket's payload Monday, however, was a Global Positioning System ''Navstar'' satellite. It is the 10th in a planned network of such spacecraft that ultimately will allow military forces on the ground, at sea and in the air to determine their location and altitude to within 53 feet anywhere in the world.

The flight plan called for GPS No. 10 to be ejected into a preliminary elliptical orbit about 25 minutes after blastoff. On-board rockets were scheduled to fire later to boost the satellite into a circular 12-hour orbit 12,500 miles up.

Prior to Monday, the Delta record stood at 21 successes in a row dating back to May 3, 1986, and a perfect 15 straight for the Delta 2, including five commercial launches.

GPS satellites originally were to be launched from NASA's space shuttle.

But after the 1986 Challenger disaster, which grounded the shuttle program for 32 months, the Pentagon embarked on an unprecedented rocket construction program to guarantee independent access to space.

McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co. of Huntington Beach, Calif., was awarded a $316.5 million contract Jan. 21, 1987 to build seven Delta 2s for the GPS program. The contract included options, however, for 13 additional vehicles for a total contract value of $669 million.

Under the terms of the contract, McDonnell Douglas receives a $3 million incentive fee for every successful flight. But if any of the first 18 rockets fails for any reason, the company will forfeit future payments and will have

to return the incentive fees paid to that point, with interest.

''We bet $54 million on every launch,'' said one company official.

The Air Force plans to launch 21 upgraded ''block 2'' GPS satellites - one from a shuttle - to join seven older and less sophisticated ''block 1'' spacecraft already in space.

The satellites are built by Rockwell International's Satellite Systems Division in Seal Beach, Calif., under a $1.2 billion contrcct.

Eighteen block 2 satellites are required to complete the global navigation network. Three of the 21 bound for orbit will serve as spares with another seven available on the ground for launch as needed.

Additional satellites are planned and through the end of the century, the GPS program is expected to run some $8.5 billion.

Equipped with sensitive atomic clocks, four such satellites will be ''visible'' at any given time from anywhere on Earth. Military forces on the ground, at sea or in the are will be able to use radio signals from the satellites to pinpoint their locations to within about 53 feet.

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#90330u0947 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

RIGA, Latvia, U.S.S.R. (NOV. 26) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has vowed to do everything in his power to stop the Baltic republics from seceding and warned of repressive measures that could bring bloodshed if they continue to defy Moscow, an influential Latvian deputy said Monday.

Mavriks Vulfsons, chairman of the Latvian Parliament's foreign affairs committee, said that an angry Gorbachev demanded in a personal conversation Friday that the Riga legislature annul its recent decree terminating the supply of goods and services to Soviet armed forces in Latvia.

''Gorbachev said that he is dissatisfied with current developments in Latvia and the Baltics,'' Vulfsons told reporters. ''He said that he will use all means within his constitutional powers to keep the Baltics in the new union. He is preparing to oppose the secession of the Baltic republics.''

The reported threat from Gorbachev was disclosed nine days after the Soviet Parliament gave preliminary approval to his request for sweeping new powers that would place the central government directly under his control and consolidate his hold on law enforcement bodies.

Vulfsons quoted Gorbachev as saying in their private conversation that the three Baltic republics' continued ''attempts to re-establish independence may

lead to the creation of a repressive mechanisms'' and that ''in such a case there could be bloodshed.''

Vulfsons, 74, a widely respected Latvian elder statesman, speculated that Gorbachev chose him to deliver a message to the Baltics republics because he said the two men have enjoyed a good personal relationship since Vulfsons first came to Moscow in 1988 as a newly elected member of the Soviet Parliament.

Vulfsons said he also had heated talks Friday with Marshal Sergei Akhromeyev, former chief of the Soviet military staff and now Gorbachev's personal defense adviser.

In an exchange Vulfsons described as ''more of a scolding than a conversation '' Akhromeyev said he would come to Riga this week ''to participate in acts of discrimination against the Soviet army.''

Romuldas Razukas, head of the Latvian Popular Front that holds a majority in the republic's Parliament, called on Latvians last week to prepare for a civil disobedience campaign in the event of a crackdown ''ampaign in t

Gorbachev imposed a seven-week blockade of Lithuania after its March 11 independence declaration and Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov threatened similar sanctions against Latvia two weeks ago.

''I don't regard the present situation as a crisis, but it is very tense and could quickly turn into a crisis,'' Latvian Deputy Prime Minister Ilmars Bisers said Monday.

In a rash of recent anti-miltary actions, soldiers in Vilnius fired warning shots and turned water hoses on 3,000 demonstrators outside the Lithuanian capital's garrison, and protesters cut telephone wires leading to an air force training center during a rally of 5,000 near the Latvian city of Saldus.

Latvian officials complain that Moscow refuses even to tell them how many soldiers are based in their republic, a figure they estimated between 100,000 and 200,000.

The Latvian Parliament passed a decree Nov. 14 directing local authorities to ''terminate the provision of social and material goods and services to any unit of the U.S.S.R. armed forces and to Soviet Communist Party organizations in the Republic of Latvia'' until the beginning of talks between Moscow and Riga on the status of Soviet troops in Latvia.

Latvian President Anatolijs Gorbunovs, a moderate and former secretary of the republic's Communist Party, opposed the decree, saying it would only inflame relations with Moscow.

Gorbachev branded the decree ''immoral and said it was directed against women and children in military families,'' according to Vulfsons.

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DENVER (NOV. 26) UPI - A ferocious fire in a storage tank filled with nearly 1 million gallons of jet fuel near Stapleton International Airport raged on Monday as crews battled to keep the flames were spreading.

''I wouldn't even want to guesstimate,'' Fire Capt. Steve Sauls said when asked how much longer the fire might burn. ''Hopefully, the water (from firefighters' hoses) will cool the tanks enough so the fire won't torch off any other'' tanks.

The fire broke out Sunday morning, destroying two tanks and snarling holiday traffic.

By Monday, the two giant 400,000-gallon tanks where the flames erupted had been reduced to rubble and lay collapsed, their contents exhausted.

But one larger adjacent tank, holding 800,000 gallons of fuel, was still on fire and a fourth 800,000-gallon tank remained in danger of catching fire.

The fire, erupting on the day many people return home after Thanksgiving, meant delays of up to three hours for passengers in the nation's seventh busiest airport as airlines scrambled to find alternate sources of fuel.

Stapleton is a major hub for United and Continental airlines.

Crews had tried using fire-retardant foam to put out the fire Sunday morning, but were forced to back off when gusty winds spread the 220- foot-high flames late Sunday night.

Sauls said fire crews spent the night deluging the remaining nearby tanks with water to cool them.

On Monday morning, with the fire in the first two tanks essentially out, the firefighters briefly went on the offensive, using foam once again.

''But it didn't work. It didn't put out the fire,'' Sauls said.

Crews then returned to using water, hoping to keep the flames from spreading to any more of the 10 other tanks not yet affected.

No cause for the fire had been determined. The intense heat and smoke, which reduced visibility on nearby Interstate 70 and darkened the sky over metropolitan Denver, prevented investigators from getting close enough to make

any survey, Sauls said.

Airport smokeman Norm Avery said travel was back to normal at the airport by late Sunday night.

At the fire's height, however, fuel lines from the tank farm to the airport terminals were shut down, keeping tanker trucks from reaching the storage tanks to load up with jet fuel to service arriving and departing flights, Avery said.

United was able to provide departing flights with enough fuel to safely reach Colorado Springs 75 miles to the south, where they could take on full loads of fuel.

Continental Airlines suffered ''minimal delays'' because it has its own supply depot at the airport. Other carriers trucked in fuel from outside the airport and were operating normally.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
MCA Inc	4,137,700	65 1/8	off 1/4
Texas Utilities	2,321,500	37 1/4	up 1/2
Lilly Eli & Co	1,556,600	72	up 2 1/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,547,500	31 1/8	up 1/2
Boeing Co	1,347,200	43 5/8	off 1
Philip Morris	1,324,800	49 1/8	up 1
Waste Managemnt	1,272,500	32 1/8	off 1 1/4
Citicorp	1,236,000	13 1/8	up 3/4
Amer Express	1,210,300	20 1/4	up 1/2
Wstnghouse Elec	1,172,300	25 5/8	off 1 3/8
IBM Corp	1,165,400	113 7/8	up 1 1/4
BankAmerica	1,150,100	22 7/8	up 1/2
Genl Motors	1,146,900	37 3/8	unch
Genl Electric	1,144,700	53 3/8	off 1/4
Sears Roebuck	1,037,100	25 7/8	up 3/8

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.

Echo Bay Mines	489,600	8	up 1/2
Fruit of Loom	433,900	7 7/8	up 3/8
Amdahl Corp	414,700	14	up 3/8
Energy Service	394,300	2 1/8	off 1/4
MIP Properties	317,500	1 5/8	off 1/8
BAT Industries	278,500	11 1/16	off 1/16
Contl Air Hldgs	245,500	3 1/4	off 1/4
PW Group wtB	215,100	9 1/2	up 1/4
Wang Labs Inc B	157,500	2 3/4	off 1/8
Rhone Poulenc	153,200	10 7/8	unch

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(NOV. 26) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	224.75	229.70	224.30	229.60	226.25
Mar	227.50	231.70	227.50	231.70	228.30
Jun	....	....	....	233.90	230.50
Sep	....	....	....	236.30	232.90

Estimated volume: 50 contracts.

Open interest: 1,334 off 3.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	313.00	318.50	311.40	318.20	315.50
Mar	315.10	321.10	314.10	320.75	318.05
Jun	317.50	323.90	317.40	323.75	321.00
Sep	325.00	326.70	320.30	326.45	324.00

Estimated volume: 53,045 contracts.

Open interest: 155,931 off 347.

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	170.20	174.05	170.15	173.95	172.40
Mar	171.60	175.15	171.60	175.20	173.55
Jun	173.10	173.50	173.10	176.50	174.95

Open interest: 4,553 off 96.

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	529.00	538.80	526.50	538.30	532.70
Jan	530.90	540.50	528.75	540.40	534.70
Feb	530.60	540.60	529.75	540.60	534.80

Estimated volume: 939 contracts.

Open interest: 7,593 off 76.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	348.86	off	0.18	352.73	456.17
Industrial	376.79	off	0.15	380.28	444.42
Finance	344.99	off	0.81	348.16	523.18
Insurance	417.75	up	1.79	418.73	554.23
Utility	446.24	up	1.99	458.67	735.55
Bank	249.01	off	1.27	252.60	422.79
Transport	381.40	off	4.33	386.47	474.76

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 153.51 off 0.04
Industrial Index 149.84 off 0.02
NASDAQ-100 Index 370.24 up 1.68

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#90330u0978 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Monday 370.24 up 1.68.

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#90330u0991 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	369.71	219.49	140.67	21.34	315.10
Opening	366.25	216.25	139.41	21.09	312.11
11 a.m.	365.88	215.41	139.24	21.10	311.77
Noon	365.81	214.97	139.24	21.11	311.72
1 p.m.	367.01	214.73	139.40	21.36	312.82
2 p.m.	367.93	215.32	139.65	21.45	313.61
3 p.m.	368.92	215.04	139.88	21.53	314.40
Close	371.25	216.25	140.68	21.81	316.51
Change	up 1.54	off 0.34	up 0.01	up 0.47	up 1.41

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(NOV. 26) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Atl Rich pfA	853 1/2	off 28 7/8
GEICO	159 1/2	up 6 1/2
Potam El pf	112 1/2	off 5
Lilly Eli wt	68 1/2	up 3 7/8
Pioneer Elec	56 1/2	up 3 1/2
General Re Cp	87 3/4	up 2 7/8
Kyocera Corp	86	off 2 5/8
PSI pfH	93 1/4	up 2 1/2
Wash Post	173	off 2 3/8
Wells Fargo	54 1/4	up 2 1/4
ITT pfO	72 3/4	off 2 1/4

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#90330u1001 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	28.15-28.20	27.20-27.30
North Sea Brent	34.80-34.85	32.65-32.75
West Texas Intermed	34.00-34.05	32.85-32.95
Light Louisiana Sweet	34.00-34.15	32.65-32.85
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	85.45-85.70	84.40-84.90
No. 2 Heating oil	91.90-92.15	88.15-88.40
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	81.80-82.05	79.15-79.40
No. 2 Heating oil	90.15-90.35	86.75-86.95

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	349.03	345.49	348.86	off 0.18

Industrial	376.89	373.01	376.79	off 0.15
Finance	345.14	342.22	344.99	off 0.81
Insurance	418.08	413.49	417.75	up 1.79
Utility	446.25	438.02	446.24	up 1.99
Bank	250.10	248.25	249.01	off 1.27
Transport	383.86	379.39	381.40	off 4.33

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	153.51	off 0.04
Industrial Index	149.84	off 0.02
NASDAQ-100 Index	370.24	up 1.68

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share 0.00 off 0.00

Volume	70,177,104 shares
Advances	666
Declines	804
Unchanged	1,306
Total	2,776

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	84,729,600
Advances	770
Declines	973
Unchanged	2,455
Total	4,198

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(NOV. 26) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	8
New lows	43

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	221	3,376,600
Declines	311	3,742,500
Unchanged	249	2,340,900
Total	781	9,460,000

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - William Richards, an Ohio farmer and pioneer in conservation tillage, is the new chief of the Soil Conservation Service, Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter announced Monday.

The agency works directly with farmers to help them implement soil conservation practices. It also is the lead federal agency in soil surveys and is in charge of carrying out farm policy rules that require farmers to control soil losses on highly erodible land.

As chief, Richards succeeds Wilson Scaling, a political appointee who left the Agriculture Department shortly after James Moseley was sworn into office as assistant secretary for the environment. Richards also is a political appointee.

Until the Reagan administration, it was traditional for a career civil servant to head the agency. Roy ''Mack'' Gray, a 34-year veteran of the Conservation Service, has served as acting chief since Scaling's departure last July 11.

''Bill has demonstrated leadership and a lifelong commitment to soil conservation, which makes him an ideal choice to manage this very important agency,'' Yeutter said in a statement.

Richards operates a family farm with his wife and three sons near Circleville, Ohio. The operation began with the purchase of 140 acres of neglected river-bottom land in 1954. On it, Richards pioneered the use of minimum tillage and other farm innovations.

He was one of the first farmers in the nation to use conservation tillage on the entire farm. Conservation tillage is any practice that leaves crop residue on at least 30 percent of a field's surface.

In addition, Richards has served on numerous planning and review committees at Ohio State University. He also is a member of several agricultural organizations.

The Soil Conservation Service employs 14,000 people throughout the nation.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.

Composite	172.96	170.68	172.96	up	0.57
Industrial	214.03	211.20	214.03	up	0.67
Transport	132.51	131.49	132.51	off	0.98
Utility	89.08	88.37	89.08	off	0.05
Finance	115.21	112.88	115.21	up	1.41

Equivalent to a gain of 10 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 131,540,000 shares.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.47	7.56	8.56
91-day Treasury bills	7.26	7.26	7.65
182-day Treasury bills	7.33	7.33	7.46
1-year Treasury bills	7.26	7.25	7.23
3-year Treasury notes	7.64	7.63	7.75
7-year Treasury notes	8.16	8.16	7.82
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.43	8.45	7.91
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.84	9.00	8.60
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.65	9.65	9.19
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.83	8.82	8.89
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.11	8.94	8.87
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.29	9.28	9.13
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.27	9.27	9.10

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

U.S.$ Currency

	Equivalent		per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austral	.000194	.000194	5145.00	5164.00
Australia dlr	.7660	.7660	1.3055	1.3055
Austria schill	.0953	.0957	10.49	10.45
Belgium franc-c	.0324	.0326	30.83	30.70
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0080	.0086	125.61	116.40
Britain pound	1.9680	1.9673	.5081	.5083
Britain 1-mo	1.9577	1.9577	.5108	.5108
Britain 3-mo	1.9435	1.9424	.5145	.5148
Britain 6-mo	1.9242	1.9229	.5197	.5200
Canada dollar	.8620	.8632	1.1601	1.1585
Canada 1-mo	.8590	.8601	1.1642	1.1627
Canada 3-mo	.8535	.8548	1.1717	1.1699
Canada 6-mo	.8470	.8480	1.1806	1.1792
Chile peso-f	.003238	.003241	308.79	308.53
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001852	.001878	539.98	538.59
Denmark krne	.1750	.1758	5.7130	5.6890
Ecudr sucre-z	.001175	.001179	851.17	848.25
Egypt pound	.3589	.3601	2.7866	2.7768
Finlnd mrkka	.2807	.2803	3.5630	3.5670
France franc	.1987	.1997	5.0320	5.0075
France 1-mo	.1985	.1994	5.0389	5.0144
France 3-mo	.1979	.1989	5.0522	5.0286
France 6-mo	.1969	.1978	5.0798	5.0560
Greece drach	.006611	.006681	151.27	149.68
Hollnd guildr	.5967	.5970	1.6760	1.6750
HongKong dlr	.1284	.1283	7.7910	7.7960
India rupee	.0557	.0559	17.94	17.88
Indo'sa rupia	.000537	.000537	1861.00	1861.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7922	1.7971	0.5580	0.5565
Israel shekel	.5102	.5102	1.9600	1.9600
Italy lira	.000897	.000897	1115.00	1115.00
Japan yen	.007758	.007840	128.90	127.55
Japan 1-mo	.007773	.007871	128.65	127.05
Japan 3-mo	.007819	.007886	127.90	126.80
Japan 6-mo	.007881	.007997	126.88	125.05
Jordan dinar	1.5603	1.5603	.6409	.6409
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000343	.000343	2913.00	2913.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6124	.6137	1.6329	1.6295
Norway krne	.1718	.1725	5.8210	5.7980
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61

Peru inti	.000002	.000002	423,550	423,550
P'pnes peso-z	.0365	.0366	27.36	27.31
Portugl escud	.007690	.007711	130.04	129.69
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5852	.5858	1.7088	1.7070
S.Africa rand	.3992	.3985	2.5052	2.5092
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010613	.010630	94.22	94.07
Sweden krona	.1792	.1798	5.5800	5.5630
Switzrl franc	.7896	.7954	1.2665	1.2573
Switzrl 1-mo	.7905	.7951	1.2650	1.2577
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7897	.7942	1.2663	1.2592
Switzrl 6-mo	.7886	.7928	1.2681	1.2613
Taiwan dollar	.0369	.0375	27.07	26.70
Turkey lira	.000361	.000364	2768.04	2748.00
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6604	3.6608
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0202	.0203	49.39	49.23
Germany mark	.6702	.6725	1.4920	1.4870
Germany 1-mo	.6701	.6723	1.4923	1.4875
Germany 3-mo	.6689	.6711	1.4949	1.4901
Germany 6-mo	.6667	.6689	1.5000	1.4950
Yugosl dinar	.0979	.0984	10.21	10.16

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x- N.Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - The United States is asking the U-N Security Council to set a deadline for the Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait before ''whatever means necessary'' are used to end the occupation of the oil-rich state. The draft resolution is to be discussed on Thursday, and Secretary of State Baker will be in New York City to chair that session of the Security Council.

In Baghdad today, Saddam Hussein met with the wives of American hostages and told them that their spouses will be allowed to return to the United States with them. The official Iraq News Agency says Saddam also told the women that his nation wants peace in the Persian Gulf region.

The Iraqi foreign minister is in Moscow, where he got some stern warnings today. Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze told Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz that Iraq must honor U-N resolutions calling for a Kuwaiti withdrawal or prepare for the worst. Soviet President Gorbachev said the fate of Iraq is in the hands of Saddam Hussein.

Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki resigned today. Mazowiecki late today said in a speech to the Council of Ministers meeting in Warsaw that his Solidarity-led government was resigning but would stay on until a new prime minister is named. That will come after a run-off election for president... a contest from which Mazowiecki has been eliminated by virtue of his third-place finish in yesterday's balloting.

An influential Latvian official says Soviet President Gorbachev has vowed to do everything in his power to keep the Baltic republics- Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania- from seceding from the Soviet Union. The Latvian leader says Gorbachev has warned him of repressive measures that could lead to bloodshed unless the three republics stop defying Moscow. He says Gorbachev demanded in a personal telphone conversation on Friday that the Latvian legislature revoke its recent decree cutting off goods and services to Soviet forces in the republic.

The Medellin drug cartel in Colombia today freed one of the seven journalists it held hostage. The hostage release came within hours of the kidnapping of three American petroleum engineers and a Colombian colleague. Police said the group that calls itself the ''Extraditable'' released the 60-year-old journalist because of health problems. The three Americans are believed to have been nabbed by the leftist National Liberation Army.

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WARSAW, Poland (NOV. 26) UPI - Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, who placed third in a six-way race for president in weekend voting, announced late Monday his resignation and that of his Solidarity-led government.

Mazowiecki, who came to power in August 1989 as the first non- communist premier in the former East Bloc since World War II, said the results of the election Sunday show Poles no longer support his economic austerity plan.

''Since the moment I was entrusted with a mission to lead the government, I was of the problem that the essential problem was support and understanding by the people,'' he said in a resignation speech to the Council of Ministers.

''The painful but indispensible program for Poland of climbing out of an economic catastrophe can be only executed with the understanding of the majority of the people,'' he said.

''For several months I had the feeling that this understanding existed. It gave me added strength and reinforced the government's determination in transforming Poland,'' he said.

''The results of yesterday's election indicate that the situation changed,''

he said. ''The vision of Polish democracy and formation of the foundations of a healthy economy, the goal of my government, was questioned.''

''Society has made its choice. From this choice I drew my own conclusion. I decided to submit the resignation of the government.''

He said his government will stay on until the next president, who will be elected Dec. 9, names a new prime minister.

''The government will still function and fulfill its consitutional duties,'' he said.

With all but one of Poland's 49 electoral districts tabulated, Solidarity leader Lech Walesa led the six-man race as expected with 39.1 percent of the vote followed by Stanislaw Tyminski, an expatriate businessman from Canada, with 24 percent.

Mazowiecki was third with 17.5 percent.

A Catholic intellectual and long-time aide to Walesa, Mazowiecki was the Solidarity leader's hand-picked choice for the job following the failure of the previous communist regime to form a government last summer.

Mazowiecki's government inaugurated an economic stabilization program that tamed hyperinflation and put food and goods back on the shelves, but at the cost of a nearly 40 percent drop in the living standard and more than 1 million unemployed.

Reached at his home in Gdansk, Walesa expressed surprise at the proferred resignation of the entire Cabinet.

''I hope that in this important moment ambitions will not get an upper hand over patriotism, responsibility and the problems of Poland,'' he said.

Sources close to Walesa said he was surprised that Mazowiecki submitted the resignation of the entire government and that he expected only the premier to resign.

Walesa interpreted the move, the sources said, as an opening for members of the Mazowiecki Cabinet to have more freedom in seeking places in a future government.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - Despite a late-day selloff, oil prices rose $1 a barrel Monday as the United Nations appeared ready to approve a resolution approving the use of military force to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for January delivery climbed $1.05 over Friday's close to $32.95 a barrel after trading as high as $34.25. Volume was a moderate 85,755 contracts.

Oil also affected trading the New York Stock Exchange, where the Dow Jones industrials average of blue-chip stocks ended the day up 5.94 points at 2533.17. The closely watched Dow was down as much as 25 points earlier, when crude traded more than $2 a barrel higher.

''It seems the war drums are beating again, and the market's getting nervous '' said Tom Bentz, director of trading at United Energy Inc. in New York.

He noted a U.N. resolution appears close to being passed that would set a deadline of Jan. 1 or Jan. 31 for Iraq to get out of Kuwait, occupied since Iraqi forces invaded Aug. 2.

''People are going to wait and see what the U.N. resolution brings,'' the trader said.

''There was one factor only, nothing else,'' influencing Monday's trading, agreed John Lichtblau, president of the Petroleum Indusrtry Research Foundation.

''There's no reason for the rise based in supply and demand. Without the war scare, there's no question the market is in shape for prices in the mid to high $20s (a barrel),'' the analyst said.

WTI sold off sharply at the end of the day, once the market dipped below $33.50 a barrel, Bentz said. ''It was a technical breakdown. ... There was liquidation late in the day,'' the trader said.

''It seems that a lot of people felt the market was getting ahead of itself after the rise Friday and today,'' said Peter Beutel of Pegasus Econometrics Group in Hoboken, N.J. WTI rose $2.27 a barrel Friday on very light trading with many traders taking the day off to extend the Thanksgiving holiday.

Bentz said WTI crude was ''having a tough time holding over $34 a barrel, and there seems to be good support around $33 a barrel.'' The $33 support level may still hold and prices could rebound some Tuesday, he said.

Beutel said he was looking for the weekly industry survey of the American Petroleum Institute to be released late Tuesday to show U.S. crude inventories dropped by 2 million to 4 million barrels last week. This could lend some support to prices, he said.

Home heating oil for December delivery ended Monday on the Merc up 3.72 cents to 92.38 cents a gallon, while December unleaded gasoline rose 1.80 cents to

84.20 cents a gallon.

On the European spot market, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent ended the day up $2.15 over Friday at $34.80 a barrel.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - climbed 95 cents to $28.15 a barrel.

Sun Co., of Radnor, Pa., and Marathon Oil Co., the Findlay, Ohio, unit of USX Corp., raised the posted price they will pay for crude effective Monday. Sun raised its price by $1.25 to $31.60 a barrel for WTI, while Marathon increased its price by $1 for WTI to $31.75.

In addition, Houston's Conoco Inc. subsidiary of Du Pont and Citgo Petroleum Corp., Tulsa, Okla., said they had raised their posted prices effective last Friday: Conoco by $2 to $30.50 a barrel for WTI and Citgo by $2.25 to a WTI price of $30.75.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 26) UPI - Moscow is running short of milk because suppliers outside the capital have stopped deliveries in an emerging ''economic war'' pitting region against region, Deputy Mayor Sergei Stankevich said Monday.

''In the last several days, there have appeared signs of a fresh crisis - milk '' Stankevich told reporters. ''It has been caused by the sudden stoppage of the delivery of dairy products by nine regions.''

Stankevich appealed for foreign assistance to counteract the shortfall in milk the latest in a series of shortages that started most glaringly this year with cigarettes then spread to bread.

''During the winter, Moscow will need urgent foreign assistance in proving the capital with food,'' Stankevich said, adding that foreign firms have started sending food.

In Bonn, the German government began cranking up a massive relief operation with an ''air bridge'' envisioned to send food into the Soviet Union.

But U.S. Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter said in Washignton the Soviet Union would be well advised to pass an Emigration Law for its citizens if it wants food credits.

The milk crisis stems from resentment in outlying regions at decisions this summer to allow only Moscow residents to make purchases in the city's stores.

It also arises from a newfound freedom for dairy farmers to shop around for

better prices in the absence of previous compulsion by the state to fulfill contracts at mandated prices.

''They have violated their contracts, even though Moscow continues to deliver industrial products to them to the full extent,'' Stankevich said.

Stankevich said, however, Moscow would not retaliate in what he termed an ''economic war'' with the regions. ''In the future we will just have to select more reliable partners,'' he said.

To satisfy current demand, imported milk powder is now being sold at state stores, he said.

A city of 9 million, Moscow makes enormous demands on the rest of the nation to keep it supplied with products, but under the Gorbachev reforms, regions outside the capital have started flexing their economic muscles.

Stankevich explained that less milk is now being delivered to the state stores in Moscow by farmers, and that they justify this by having to meet their own demands first and by the lack of processing equipment.

Despite the difficulties in obtaining supplies, Stankevich said Moscow has not decided yet whether to adopt rationing, a move reportedly that the nation's second largest city, Leningrad, is about to take Dec. 1.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 437.00, up 0.37 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's latest move to release a handful of American hostages was described Monday by the State Department as ''cynical manipulation'' that amounts to ''playing with lives.''

The remarks by State Department spokesman Richard Boucher followed a report by Iraq's official news agency, INA, that Saddam had ordered the release of all American hostages whose wives were currently visiting Baghdad.

The agency said Saddam made the announcement during a meeting with wives of U.S. hostages who are being held as human shields at strategic Iraqi sites to ward off an attack by Western forces massed in the Persian Gulf region.

The agency did not say how many U.S. hostages would be released, but other reports indicated that three American men would be allowed to leave. Boucher said three wives of Americans were known to be visiting Iraq.

''We consider Iraq's policy and Saddam Hussein's playing with hostages cynical manipulation and we don't think people should be involved in it. ... It's been clear all along that he's been playing with lives, playing with their relatives and playing with all our sympathies,'' said Boucher.

As many as 2,000 foreigners - including about 900 Americans - are still believed trapped or held against their will in Iraq or Kuwait. Most, if not all, who remain are men, according to the State Department.

The State Department, as a matter of policy it says is necessary to protect the privacy of those being held, has not disclosed the names of American families visiting Iraq at the invitation of Saddam.

However, Dennis Trundy of Brockton, Mass., said he received a telephone call Monday from his wife, Mary, in Baghdad who said the Iraqi government had agreed to release her twin brother, John Stevenson, 44. A bank computer analyst in Kuwait, Stevenson was captured on Oct. 20.

Stevenson was being held in a Baghdad hotel where his sister and two brothers were able to visit with him during their stay.

''They secured his release,'' said Trundy, who said his wife and brother-in-law would probably leave Iraq within the next two days.

Last week Saddam ordered the release of 10 British husbands after their wives traveled to Iraq to plead for their freedom.

Boucher said the State Department continues to discourage travel to Iraq by an American families because of the safety risk and because of the delicate political climate of the Persian Gulf crisis.

''Our view remains unchanged. We discourage travel,'' said Boucher. ''It's risky and we don't think it helps.''

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.64	9.27
Anchor Fund Inv	13.67	14.50
Delaware Mutual	16.68	17.89
Fidelity Fund	16.08	16.08
Investor Mutual	10.89	11.47

Investor Stocks	18.00	18.95
Investor Select	8.42	8.86
IDS Equity Plus	8.62	9.08
MFS Growth Stk	8.17	8.81
Nicholas Income	3.08	3.08
Utd Accumulated	6.05	6.61
United Income	16.33	17.85
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IDS Group: 11-26

IDS Discovery	7.47	7.86
IDS Equity Plus	8.62	9.08
IDS Growth Fund	15.97	16.81
IDS New Dimensn	10.03	10.56
IDS Progressive	4.82	5.08

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SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (NOV. 26) UPI - Guerrillas shot down a Salvadoran military helicopter Monday, the second government aircraft hit by rebel fire in the latest surge of fighting.

Officials of the 6th Infantry Brigade, stationed in Usulutan province, said the pilot of the UH-1H Huey helicopter, who made an emergency landing, was wounded in the attack by rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front.

The attack occurred in the town of Jiquilisco, 50 miles east of the capital.

Rebels used surface-to-air missiles Friday to down a Salvadoran air force jet, killing one pilot. The other pilot ejected before the A-37 crashed about 60 miles east of San Salvador.

In the past week, rebels have stepped up their military action, attacking army posts around the country.

On Monday, six soldiers were wounded in the capital by explosives thrown from a passing car. Urban guerrillas claimed responsibility for the attack, which they said was in reprisal for President Alfredo Cristiani's efforts to privatize banks.

About 179 people died and 359 were wounded in fighting last week. Ten of the dead and 75 of the wounded were civilians.

The increase in rebel action occurred as peace talks begun last May remained deadlocked over rebel demands for reform within the armed forces. The talks are to resume this month in Mexico.

A major rebel offensive would trigger the automatic release of half of the $85 million in U.S. military aid to El Salvador for 1991 that Congress has retained pending progress in peace talks and the prosecution of members of the armed forces charged with the murders last November of six Jesuit priests.

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MANAGUA, NICARAGUA (NOV. 26) UPI - Politicians complained Monday the amount of money earmarked for military spending and national security in 1991 - nearly 16 percent of the budget - is excessive in times of peace.

The first budget worked out by the 6-month-old government of President Violeta Chamorro allots $78 million of $500 million to the Popular Sandinista Army and government security forces.

By the end of the year, the armed forces will have been reduced to 28,000 active members, down from about 96,000 when the Sandinista government was fighting a civil war against U.S.-funded Contra rebels.

Luis Guzman, a legislator of the 14-party coalition that carried Chamorro to victory last February, said defense spending is the largest part of the proposed budget.

''The most visible, exaggerated controversial part at the moment is the defense and security budget,'' Guzman said. ''They are not going to undertake construction of new schools, hospitals or even improve the existing ones.''

Guzman said the government is relying on a supposed influx of $90 million in foreign aid ''and expects to maintain a social discipline that means keeping wages frozen throughout 1991.''

In its first six months, Chamorro's government has been rocked by two strikes by workers dissatisfied with uncontrolled inflation, high unemployment and continual devaluations of the cordoba.

Roger Guevara, president of the Nicaraguan Bar Association, said Nicaraguans will have to pay more taxes to cover the budget, ''but it is not fair to channel the money into the military.''

Despite an end to the 8-year Contra war, the government has had problems with former rebels taking over towns and blocking roads to demand the land, tools, supplies and credit promised when they disarmed last June.

Conservative Party leader Alberto Savorio said if the congress approves the budget, its members ''will have betrayed the hopes of the Nicaraguan people.''

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(NOV. 27) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

BASEBALL

Each member of the champion Cincinnati Reds who was voted a full share for the World Series will receive $112,533.70, while the runnerup Oakland Athletics will have to settle for $68,960.54 apiece. The bonus money for the Reds fell just short of the record set a year earlier when Oakland received a full share of $114,252.11. ... The Toronto Blue Jays signed free agent reliever Ken Dayley, who spent last season with St. Louis. Dayley, a left-hander, signed a four-year contract after finishing 4-4 with a 3.56 ERA and two saves in 58 appearances for the Cardinals last year. The Blue Jays also named former major league pitcher Reggie Cleveland as pitching coach for their Medicine Hat (Rookie) Pioneer League affiliate. Cleveland, 43, pitched 12 years in the majors with St. Louis, Boston, Texas and Milwaukee. ... For the second time in three years, Baseball America has selected the Montreal Expos as its Organization of the Year. Fifteen rookies broke in with the Expos in 1990, with at least one first-year player appearing in each game. Montreal edged Los Angeles and Oakland for the honor.

BASKETBALL

Charles Barkley, who averaged 30.2 points, 10.2 rebounds and 4.7 assists while leading the Philadelphia 76ers to four consecutive victories, was named NBA Player of the Week. Other candidates for the honor were Johnny Newman of Charlotte, Akeem Olajuwon of Houston, Chuck Person of Indiana, Tyrone Corbin of Minnesota, Terry Porter of Portland and Karl Malone of Utah. ... Miami coach Ron Rothstein has been fined $2,000 by the NBA for comments made about the officiating following the Heat's 106-90 loss to Detroit Nov. 20. ... Micheal Ray Richardson was among 17 players and team officials ejected for fighting during an Italian League game Sunday between Richardson's Knorr Bologna club and Ranger Varese. Another former NBA player, Clemon Johnson, also was ejected. The brawl was broken up by riot police, and Knorr Bologna finished the game with three players. Ranger Varese won, 91-73. ... A World Basketball League All-Star team left for Europe, where it will play five games in Italy and Spain. The WBL is for players 6-foot-4 and under. The All-Star team consists of Jamie Waller, Jim Thomas, Barry Mitchell, Perry McDonald, Alfredrick Hughes, Chip Engelland, Fred Cofield, James Blackmon, Johnny Brown and Scooter Barry. Roger Lyons is the coach.

BOXING

Mike Tyson knocked down one sparring partner and sent another out of the ring with sore ribs in training for his Dec. 8 bout against Alex Stewart, Trump Plaza officials in Atlantic City, N.J. said. Tyson decked Eddie Gonzalez with a left uppercut to the head and doubled over Mike Dickson with a right to the ribs in an open sparring session at Trump Plaza. ... Heavyweight champion Evander Holyfield and challenger George Foreman Tuesday will seek a temporary restraining order to prevent the World Boxing Council from stripping Holyfield's title until the dispute can be heard by an arbitrator. Holyfield and Foreman, who will fight April 19 in Atlantic City, will will appear before Judge Amos Saunders in Passaic County (N.J.) Superior Court. The WBC threatens to strip Holyfield for fighting Foreman instead of Tyson. ... Marcos Villasana's scheduled Dec. 5 defense of his WBC featherweight title against Sean Murphy in London was postponed. Promoter Frank Warren said the bout would be rescheduled in January but gave no reason for the postponement.

COLLEGE

Russell Maryland of Miami, Joe Garten of Colorado and Stacy Long of Clemson were named finalists for the Outland Trophy, awarded to the nation's top college lineman. The winner will be announced Dec. 5 in Los Angeles. Maryland is a defensive lineman, Gerten an offensive guard and Long an offensive tackle. ... San Diego State running back T.C. Wright and Colorado State defensive back Sylvester Mabry are the Western Athletic Conference Players of the Week. ... Colgate quarterback Dave Goodwin was named Eastern College Athletic Conference Player of the Year in voting by the ECAC's 30 Div. I-AA head coaches and sports information directors. Dartmouth sophomore quarterback Matt Brzica was named ECAC rookie of the year.

GOLF

Australian Greg Norman leads the weekly Sony men's rankings, followed by Nick Faldo of Britain, Jose-Maria Olazabal of Spain, Ian Woosnam of Britain and Americans Payne Stewart, Paul Azinger and Mark Calcavecchia.

HOCKEY

Pittsburgh Penguins center Mario Lemieux is not experiencing pain, but rehabilitation of the his injured back will not begin until mid- December, according to his doctor. The all-star center is scheduled to undergo a series of tests Dec. 5. He has not played a game since March 31 and has not skated since September. ... Left wing Michel Picard of the Springfield Indians, with six goals and three assists in four games last week, is the Player of the Week in the American Hockey League. Greg Parks of the Capital District Islanders was second in the voting and Patrick Lebeau of the Fredericton Canadiens was third.

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(NOV 26) UPI - United Nations Security Council members Monday studied a U.S. draft resolution setting a Jan. 1 deadline for Iraq to withdraw its troops from Kuwait, while Saddam Hussein reportedly told the visiting wives of U.S. hostages they were free to take their husbands with them when they return home.

The Jan. 1 deadline date was the subject of intense negotiations between the five permanent members of the Council - the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain, China and France - each of whom has veto power over the resolution.

Yemen's U.N. Ambassador Abdalla Saleh Al-Ashtal told reporters Monday afternoon after he had seen the U.S. draft proposal that it was ''unacceptable.''

Al-Ashtal said the resolution would give the ''green light'' to the United States to go to war against Iraq. Yemen and Cuba, both members of the Security Council, had mostly abstained when the council voted to adopt the 10 resolutions since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Al-Ashtal said non-aligned members in the council were to meet Monday night to discuss the U.S. proposal.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater told reporters aboard Air Force One while President was en route to Monterrey, Mexico, that the administration was optimistic the Security Council would approve the resolution when it comes up for a vote Thursday.

He said that Secretary of State James Baker had met with each of the 15 members of the Security Council and will go to New York Thursday to chair the Security Council meeting.

The hostage release announcement was made by Saddam Monday during a meeting with wives of U.S. hostages held in Iraq as human shields to ward off Western attack, said the Iraqi news agency, monitored in Cairo.

The U.S. State Department said it expected only three American husbands to be released.

''The president ordered Iraqi authorities to allow American families to accompany their relatives currently in Baghdad to travel home on the occasion of their visit to Iraq,'' the official Iraqi news agency INA said.

''Starting this moment, you will have an additional right exceeding the rights of Iraqi citizens,'' the agency quoted Saddam as saying, in an apparent reference to the need for Iraqi citizens to secure exit visas before they can travel abroad.

Last week Saddam ordered the release of 10 British husbands after their wives arrived in Baghdad to plead for their freedom.

Saddam was quoted as saying during his meeting with the American families that Iraq wanted peace, because it is in a ''very bad need for such peace,'' INA reported.

The Iraqi leader accused the Bush administration of playing the role of a world policeman carrying ''a heavy stick and twirling its moustache.''

In Moscow, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze told visiting Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz Monday that Baghdad must withdraw from the emirate and give all Soviet nationals the right to leave Iraq, Soviet officials said.

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, who later joined Shevardnadze in the talks, told Aziz that Iraq's fate was in the hands of Saddam and that Baghdad should prepare to face the worst if his country did not leave Kuwait.

''The fate of Iraq is in the hands of its leadership, and time is elapsing,'' said Gorbachev. ''If Iraq actually wants a settlement in the entire region and is seeking to avoid the worst, it must declare right now openly and to show by deeds that it is leaving Kuwait.''

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DETROIT (NOV. 26) UPI - Three young women were abducted at knifepoint in the drive-through line of a suburban fast food restaurant but two were freed hours later in Chicago, the FBI said Monday.

A nationwide alert was issued for Jamie Lee, 18, of Detroit, and her two abductors, identified only as ''David'' and ''Ken,'' said Hal N. Helteroff, special agent in charge of Michigan FBI operations.

''Obviously, we're very concerned about the the safety of Jamie Lee,'' Helteroff said.

He said Rebecca Batton, 17, of Mount Clemens, and Angie Bastianon, 16, of Warren, were released unharmed at about 1:30 a.m. Sunday in Chicago, warned not to call police and told that Lee would be free in about two hours.

The kidnapping took place at 8:30 p.m. Saturday at a McDonald's restaurant in Harrison Township near Mount Clemens.

Helteroff said Batton and Bastianon told agents that ''Dave'' approached the driver's side of their car with a knife just after it passed the drive-through window and the other suspect forced his way into the passenger's side.

''They really didn't have any opportunity to resist,'' Helteroff said.

Helteroff said the suspects forced the women into the back seat and then drove to Chicago, stopping once for gasoline and once to use the restroom, but did not give the victims a chance to escape.

Jamie Lee was described as 5-feet-3, 120 pounds with short blond hair. She was wearing a long sleeve peach colored blouse, white cotton pants and a brown leather jacket with a fur collar.

Although the car was moving slowly through the drive-through during a normally busy time, Helteroff said, no witnesses have contacted authorities.

''Hopefully, through this publicity, some one will come forth,'' he said.

He said there has been no ransom demand.

Helteroff said the suspects told the women they had more than $800 on them, and authorties were looking for links to any robberies or burglaries.

''David'' was described as white, about 35, 5-feet-7 to 5-feet-8, 140 to 150 pounds with greenish blue eyes and ''dishwater blond'' shoulder length hair, reddish full beard and a mustache. He wore a Navy blue jacket, torn jeans, spoke with a deep Southern accent and claimed to have lived in Florida for 10 years.

He had rough, greasy hands similar to an an auto mechanic's and brandished a large Bowie type knife, Helteroff said.

Ken could be an American Indian, Helteroff said. He is about 25, the same height as his companion, 150 to 160 pounds, with dark black shoulder length hair and brown eyes. He was wearing a blue polo type jacket, had a quiet demeanor and claimed to have family or friends in the Chicago area.

Helteroff said it is possible Jamie Lee was not freed because the car, a 1990 Blue Toyota Tercel with Michigan license 240-WDM, belonged to her.

The women freed said they were ''not harmed at all,'' Helteroff said, but the abduction is considered a grave offense carrying penalties of up to life in prison.

Helteroff said the suspects kept the women's purses containing their identification and there was concern they might try to harm them later.

Parents of the women, he said, went to Chicago to bring them home.

During the trip, he said, the suspects drank from a bottle ''of some kind of whiskey.''

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(NOV. 26) UPI - The Yemeni U-N ambassador says a U-S-proposed resolution to set a deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait is ''unacceptable.'' Diplomats say the United States is proposing a January 1st, 1991, deadline before its uses military force to oust the Iraqis from Kuwait. The Yemeni ambassador says the resolution would give what he termed a ''green light'' for the U-S to go to war against Iraq. He says the non-aligned nations on the U-N Security Council are meeting tonight to discuss the situation.

The Soviet Union made it pretty clear to Iraq today that it supports the U-N resolutions calling for a withdrawal from Kuwait. Soviet President Gorbachev told Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz that if Iraq really wants peace, it must show openly and by its actions that it is pulling out of Kuwait.

In Baghdad, Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein announced that the husbands of American women currently in the Iraqi capital city could bring their spouses home with them. Saddam announced his decision at a meeting with the wives. He also told them that Iraq wants peace in the Persian Gulf. In Washington, a State Department spokesman called the new hostage release another instance of what he termed ''cynical manipulation'' that amounts to- quoting now- ''playing with lives.'' The spokesman says three wives of American hostages are known to be visiting Iraq.

The U-S Geological Survey reports that a light earthquake shook Anchorage, Alaska, this afternoon. A spokesman says the quake was measured at four-point-six on the open-ended Richter Scale and was centered about 55 miles north of Anchorage. There were NO reports of damage or injuries.

An upgraded, 30-Million-dollar DeltaMillion- dollar ''Navistar'' satellite into orbit today. The satellite is the 10th in a globe-encircling network of navigation beacons. The Delta-2 was launched from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station next to the Kennedy Space Center. The system of navigation satellites eventually will allow American military forces to determine their location to within 53 feet, anywhere in the world.

Winter snow and plunging temperatures today helped firefighters gain the upper hand in battles against wildfires that erupted over the Thanksgiving weekend in Colorado and Montana. Authorities say snow was falling over central Montana today, enabling crews to contain 90 percent of a blaze that consumed 32-thousand acres over the weekend. In Colorado, a fire that was started by a burning mattress and destroyed 10 high-priced residences in a Boulder suburb was all but out, with only a few hot spots remaining.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 26) UPI - Meetings the so-called ''Keating Five'' senators held with bank regulators in 1987 capped a campaign of ''private threats and public vilification'' aimed at gutting federal oversight of the thrift industry, the nation's chief savings and loan regulator at the time told a Senate panel Monday.

Edwin Gray, former chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, said Charles Keating Jr. enlisted ''paid apologists'' to combat federal regulators to thwart measures to rope in a thrift industry gone wild in the 1980s.

Gray made his opening statement at the end of the fifth day of Senate hearings into whether the five senators - Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz.; Alan Cranston, D-Calif.; John Glenn, D-Ohio; John McCain, R-Ariz.; and Donald Riegle, D-Mich. - improperly pressured bank regulators to benefit Keating, a former thrift operator who now faces racketeering charges in California.

Earlier, Laurie Sedlmayr, DeConcini's aide specializing in banking and financial issues, told the committee she strongly warned her boss against attending a 1987 meeting with Gray that has become a central part of influence-peddling allegations.

Gray is a key figure in the case against the five senators.

Without aides present, Cranston, DeConcini, Glenn and McCain attended a one-hour meeting on April 2, 1987, in DeConcini's office.

Gray has accused the senators of offering the government a deal on behalf of Keating that would have included dropping an investigation into Keating's California-based Lincoln Savings and Loan Association in exchange for certain concessions from the thrift.

Gray, in his statement, shied away from specific allegations against the five senators, who received a total of $1.3 million in contributions from Keating. He is slated to be questioned by Robert Bennett, special counsel in the ''Keating Five'' hearing, and lawyers representing the five senators Tuesday.

Lincoln's 1989 failure is expected to cost the taxpayers about $2 billion and stands as the largest collapse to date in the nation's savings and loan scandal.

Referring to the key meeting and one seven days later that the senators held with other bank regulators, Gray told the committee: ''These meetings capped years of private threats and public vilification designed not just to change particular decisions by the bank board but to render us unable to carry out our central responsibilities to protect the financial system and the taxpayers from loss.''

Gray said alleged political pressure tactics ''did not intimidate me or my regulators.''

''We have heard a lot in these hearings about the responsibility of senators to represent constituent interests,'' Gray said, referring to claims by all five senators that any actions taken regarding Keating were legitimate forms of assistance.

''But I have always assumed that we also send out senators to Washington because we think they will have the sense to know when narrow constituent demands must take a back seat to the safety of their constituents as a whole '' Gray added.

None of the five senators was present when Gray spoke.

Gray also said Keating orchestrated an impression that Gray had a ''vendetta'' against him as a tool to fight imposition of any bank board regulations in the future.

DeConcini aide Sedlmayr said she believed attending the meeting with Gray would be ''a political mistake,'' pointing to the current hearings as belated evidence.

''I told him I didn't think it was a good idea and later would be misinterpreted by the press,'' Sedlmayr testified. ''He (DeConcini) thanked me for my suggestion but said he was going to go ahead anyway.''

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CHICAGO (NOV. 26) UPI - The Chicago Board of Trade said Monday it will seek permission to trade a diammonium phosphate fertilizer futures contract.

The contract already has been approved by CBOT directors and will be submitted to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

DAP is a solid granular product and one of the most commonly used fertilizers. The United States is the world's largest producer and exporter of the fertilizer, accounting for an estimated 50 percent of world DAP production, the CBOT said.

In 1988-89, the market value of U.S. production was $2.2 billion.

The proposed contract is designed to be used as a hedging vehicle by fertilizer producers, wholesalers and retailers of fertilizer products and farmers with large acreages and was developed with input from the Fertilizer Institute.

The CBOT's Product Development committee also is developing an anhydrous ammonia futures contract.

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PANAMA CITY, Panama (NOV. 26) UPI - U.S. troops who have worked with Panamanian police since the U.S. invasion last year will be withdrawn in December, U.S. officials said Monday.

''Within the next few weeks we will complete the withdrawal of our police teams,'' said Col. James Steele, commander of the U.S. Military Support Group, which has helped train the Panamanian police force.

Hundreds of U.S. miltary police were stationed throughout Panama following the invasion that ousted military ruler Manuel Noriega. The new Panamanian force was built from Noriega's defeated army and numbers about 12,000.

The Panamanian police have been unable to stop a sharp increase in crime, and although hundreds of officers have been retired, many Panamanians distrust the force and view it as a threat to the U.S.- installed civilian government because of its ties to the Noriega era.

Since January, three police chiefs have been fired. Last month, Col. Eduardo Herrera, who was fired in August, was arrested for allegedly plotting a coup against the Panamanian government. Ebrahim Asvat, a Harvard-educated lawyer, is the current security chief.

The number of U.S. troops working with Panamanian police has dropped from 700 in March to about 150. Steele said both the Panamanian and U.S. governments agreed to end the joint patrols next month.

''We will strictly adhere to our part of the agreement and that means withdrawal by early December,'' said U.S. Ambassador Deane Hinton.

The joint patrols received widespread support, but critics contend the U.S. military presence in Panama City and in outlying provinces violates the country's sovereignty.

About 10,000 U.S. troops are permanently stationed at bases in Panama.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - The Texas Longhorns' upward march through the United Press International college football ratings has rekindled some fond memories in Austin.

Texas continued its ascent in the latest balloting by the UPI Board of Coaches tying Brigham Young for fourth place on Sunday.

There once was a time when the Longhorns were a weekly member of the Top 10. Even when they weren't winning the national title, they often were in the running right through the bowl games.

But Longhorn football fell on hard times through the latter part of the 1980s, resulting in a cycle in which Texas actually posted a losing record in three of the last four years. The cycle has returned upward in 1990.

The Longhorns earned their first Cotton Bowl berth in seven years last Saturday with a 23-13 victory over Baylor, stretching their winning streak to eight games in the process.

''Early in the season, I didn't expect us to go this far,'' quarterback Peter Gardere said after the Longhorns clinched their first Southwest Conference crown since 1983. ''I'm glad to be here, though - it's a lot of fun.''

Texas' fourth-place ranking is its highest since the Longhorns were second behind Washington on Nov. 9, 1984. Texas was 6-0-1 at that point, then lost four of its last five games to drop out of the final ratings.

Colorado remained in the top spot in the ratings, as the top three positions remained unchanged.

The Buffaloes received 39 of 50 first-place votes cast by the 59- member Board of Coaches and finished with 731 of a possible 750 points. No. 2 Miami received three first-place votes and 624 points, while No. 3 Georgia Tech was at the top of three ballots and finished with 621 points.

BYU and Texas both finished with 569 points, as Cougars received three first-place votes and the Longhorns two.

No. 6 Notre Dame moved up two places after its 10-6 victory over Southern Cal, keeping alive its slim national-title hopes. No. 7 Washington, its regular season complete, remained unchanged.

No. 8 Florida State and No. 9 Penn State each moved ahead one position, while Tennessee used its 48-24 victory over Kentucky to jump two spots into the Top 10.

No. 11 Clemson moved up two places and No. 12 Michigan improved four spots after its 16-13 victory over rival Ohio State, a game the Wolverines won on a J.D. Carlson field goal on the final play. No. 13 Mississippi also jumped four places after beating Mississippi State.

Nebraska fell eight places to 14th after being trounced 45-10 by Oklahoma, and

No. 15 Iowa dropped four spots after losing to Minnesota. No. 16 Louisville, its regular season complete, moved up three positions.

No. 17 Texas A&M leaped five positions after crushing Texas Christian 56-10 and Southern Cal slipped two spots to 18th. No. 19 Illinois and No. 20 Auburn both moved up one place.

Michigan State improved two places to 21st after beating Wisconsin and Ohio State fell to 22nd.

Virginia, ranked No. 1 just four weeks ago, dropped into a tie for 23rd with newcomer Southern Mississippi after its second straight loss. San Jose State and newcomer Oregon tied for 25th.

The only team dropping out of the ratings this week was Baylor, ranked 25th before losing to Texas.

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#90330u1271 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

SEATTLE (NOV. 26) UPI - No one will comment for the record, but it's obvious the off-court shenanigans of guard Dale Ellis are beginning to try the patience of the Seattle SuperSonics.

Ellis, who hasn't played this season because of an inflamed nerve in his right foot, has never been a problem on the court - averaging 25.4 per game during four seasons with the Sonics. But his off-court problems have been numerous.

The latest indiscretion was a bloody fist-fight Wednesday with teammate Xavier McDaniel on the sidewalk in front of the team's offices. The Sonics suspended Ellis for five days ''for disciplinary reasons,'' while McDaniel was not disciplined.

''We talked to the people involved and the people who saw it,'' said Whitsitt, ''and based on the facts we gathered we made what we deemed the appropriate discipinary action. We hope to have Dale back in uniform when he comes off the injured list.''

Sonics public relations director Jim Rupp termed the incident ''a heated punchout'' and witnesses said the two fought for about 10 minutes, ripping clothes and drawing blood. Police were called to the scene, but no arrests were made and no report filed. Neither player was injured.

Earlier in the day, Ellis and McDaniel - never the best of friends - had argued during a practice session, which led to Coach K.C. Jones closing the session early.

Neither player would comment on the subsequent fight or what instigated it,

but Ellis reportedly irritated his teammates by watching the New Jersey game the night before from owner Barry Ackerley's courtside seat rather than from the team bench.

Rupp said the suspension was levied to keep Ellis away from the team's practices, since he is on the injury list and can't play anyway until after Thursday's game against Phoenix.

Neither Whitsitt nor Jones would discuss Ellis's future with the team, but several teammates indicated they were fed up with the 6-foot-7 shooter, who some feel is selfish and has received preferential treatment from team management.

While none would offer anything on the record, one said: ''We're all tired of Ellis. The man needs help. We just want to put this behind us and get on with the future of this team.''

Ellis has four years remaining on his six-year, $7.3 million contract. The contract is guaranteed and the Sonics would have to pay Ellis about $5.15 million to release him.

Ellis, 30, was convicted two months ago of driving while intoxicated and reckless driving - charges stemming from a one-car accident last January. Ellis sustained broken ribs and a collapsed lung in the crash, missing 27 games.

He also was:

- Arrested, fined and put on probation for a year after a 1989 domestic disturbance at his home;

- Sued twice for separate incidents involving vehicles in 1988;

- Jailed with teammate Kevin Williams in Houston during the 1987 playoffs after a scuffle in a bar;

- Ticketed for several speeding and traffic violations since 1987.

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#90330u1318 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (NOV. 26) UPI - The state of Alaska announced Monday that Exxon cannot consider its oil spill cleanup job finished until the state says so, especially with removable crude oil remaining on hundreds of beaches.

Alaska's 1991 Exxon Valdez oil spill response plan, unveiled Monday, gives the oil giant one more year to complete the cleanup of crude that remains on coastal shores following the nation's worst tanker spill 19 months ago.

Although the Coast Guard directed Exxon during the first two summers of cleanup work and will tell Exxon what, if anything, to do next year, the new state plan positions Alaska to assert a higher standard of cleanup on state beaches.

Alaska's plan also sets the stage for a confrontation with both Exxon and the U.S. Coast Guard, which last summer often sided with Exxon in cleanup disputes.

''We're not looking for disagreement,'' Gov. Steve Cowper said in a statement backing up the state plan and its assertion of authority to call the shots. ''We are merely making it clear that states sometimes have different priorities and that we're ready and willing to step up and make sure those priorities are met.''

''The oil on the shorelines and under the surface is not naturally occurring, and its continued presence degrades the natural resources and their values,'' the state said in a 16-page report that sets Sept. 15, 1991 as the target date for finishing the cleanup triggered by the March 24, 1989 wreck of the Exxon Valdez.

The loaded tanker hit well-marked Bligh Reef and broke open, spewing 11 million gallons of oil into the pristine waters of Prince William Sound and the Gulf of Alaska and onto 1,285 miles of shoreline.

Accompanying the state response plan is a 12-page list of 757 shoreline segments.

The state said 404 shorelines need no more work - either because they have no more oil on them or because nothing more can be done to clean them. Another 353 sites have problems ranging from crude hardened to mousse-like globs to residue and stain and must be reassessed for more work, according to the state analysis.

Exxon, predicting that winter storms will further cleanse the coast, has refused to commit itself to more work until after spring surveys that will be used for Coast Guard decisions on any future cleanup work. The state also will participate in the surveys.

But months before these spring surveys, the state plan lays a legal foundation for requiring more work of Exxon, spelling out priorities for scouring heavily-oiled shores and beaches used for salmon spawning, native subsistence food-gathering, fishing and recreation.

''We're still reviewing the plan,'' Exxon spokesman Karsten Rodvik said.

''I read it but I didn't necessarily agree with what they say,'' said Rear Adm. David Ciancaglini, the Coast Guard federal spill coordinator who was

preparing a formal response to the state. He reiterated that the federal government is in charge of the cleanup.

But the governor said the state will bring the cleanup to a close, adding, ''It's critical that Alaskans be the ones to determine that end point. Alaskans have lived with the spill and its effects on their resources, and their voices must be heard and heeded.''

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#90330u1320 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 27) UPI - The once-sizzling California housing market, battered by a year-long slump and fears of a recession, rebounded slightly in October as sales of existing homes gained by 2.2 percent from September levels a trade group reported Monday.

The California Association of Realtors said the increase, which followed a 10.7 percent sales decline in September, reflected homesellers lowering their prices and increased sales of smaller houses.

The median price last month fell to $188,060, off 1.2 percent from September's level and 2.9 percent from the year-ago figure. The October median marked the seventh-straight monthly decline in year-to-year prices, but it was still more than 30 percent higher than the October 1987 price of $143,840.

Home prices and sales boomed in 1988 and early 1989 in California, particularly in the coastal urban areas around Los Angeles and San Francisco, then fell into a slump as many buyers were priced out of the market.

''Realistic pricing by motivated sellers is beginning to attract homebuyers who previously had been waiting on the sidelines,'' said Mack Powell, president of the association. ''Would-be buyers who were shut out of the peak housing market of 1989 are resuming their search and finding they can now purchase a home.''

But despite the gain in October, sales were still 22 percent behind the sales pace in October 1989. And the trade group forecast last month that the state's slump would continue next year, with a decline of 14.9 percent expected.

The biggest jump in sales activity came in Los Angeles, where sales soared 26.8 percent during October. But even with that increase, sales were 21.8 percent behind the rate in October 1989.

Santa Barbara also posted a 24.8 percent increase in September-to- October sales, while San Diego gained 5.9 percent.

''October's figures may indicate that homebuyers finally are noticing that affordability has improved in the coastal metropolitan regions during recent

months,'' said Leslie Appleton-Young, the association's economist.

There were also gains in the Central Valley (3.2 peercent), Riverside-San Bernardino (3 percent) and Sacramento (1.3 percent).

But there were also significant declines, with the Northern California wine country falling 19.7 percent and the Palm Springs-lower Mojave Desert region off 18.1 percent. Orange County, which has been caught in a slump partly because developers built too many high-priced homes there in recent years, fell 11.7 percent.

Mild declines were seen in Santa Clara (3.2 percent), the San Francisco Bay area (1.3 percent) and Monterey (1 percent).

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#90330u1322 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 26) UPI - The U-N Security Council is considering a U-S draft resolution giving Iraq until January 1st to withdraw its troops from Kuwait. The White House says it's optimistic the Security Council will approve the resolution when it comes up for a vote Thursday. But Yemen's ambassador to the United Nations says the U-S draft proposal is ''unacceptable.'' The ambassador says the resolution would give the ''green light'' to the United States to go to war against Iraq.

Meanwhile, in Baghdad, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein reportedly told the visiting wives of U-S hostages they are free to take their husbands home with them. The State Department in Washington says it expects only three American husbands to be released. The Iraqi News Agency quotes Saddam as saying during the meeting that Iraq wants peace. The Iraqi leader reportedly accused the Bush administration of playing the role of a world policeman carrying ''a heavy stick and twirling its moustache.''

In Moscow, Soviet officials say Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze told visiting Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz today that Baghdad must withdraw from Kuwait and give all Soviet nationals the right to leave Iraq. The officials say Soviet President Gorbachev also told Aziz that Iraq's fate is in the hands of Saddam and that Baghdad should prepare to face the worst if his country does not leave Kuwait.

Firefighting crews continue to battle a spectacular fire in a fuel storage tank near Denver's Stapleton International Airport. The tank is filled with nearly one-Million gallons of jet fuel. The ferocious flames broke out yesterday, destroying two 400-thousand-gallon tanks and snarling holiday traffic. The blaze spread to a larger adjacent tank holding 800-thousand gallons of fuel... and it's still burning and threatening a fourth 800-thousand-gallon tank.

Residents of western Washington state returned to their flooded homes today as rivers swollen by torrential rains began receding. There are NO official damage estimates immediately available, but losses are expected to reach into the tens of Millions of dollars. More than a dozen rivers overflowed their banks and several thousand people were forced to scramble for higher ground over the weekend. The surging waters washed out a major interstate bridge and some dairy farmers lost entire herds.

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#90330u1350 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 26) UPI - Arizona parlayed its championship in the Big Apple NIT into the No. 1 rating Monday, jumping past Nevada-Las Vegas in the first regular-season United Press International college basketball ratings.

Nevada-Las Vegas, the defending NCAA champion and preseason No. 1, fell to second place in the latest balloting by the UPI Board of Coaches. The Runnin' Rebels fell 10 points behind Arizona despite having more than twice the number of first-place votes.

''It's real nice. We appreciate it, but we've only played four games, '' Arizona Coach Lute Olson said before the Wildcats' game Monday night against Western Illinois.

Arizona received 11 of 40 first-place votes cast by the 42-member Board of Coaches and finished with 569 of a possible 600 points. UNLV received 27 first-place votes and 559 points.

The Runnin' Rebels, currently appealing NCAA sanctions barring them from postseason play, lost ground when two coaches left Nevada-Las Vegas off their ballots.

The NCAA ordered the postseason ban over the summer for what was said to be violations committed 15 years ago, when the organization ordered Coach Jerry Tarkanian suspended for ''recruiting and organizational violations.''

Tarkanian and UNLV officials have presented compromises that would allow the Rebels to defend their title. The NCAA is considering UNLV's appeal and should determine soon whether the Rebels can defend their title.

Nevada-Las Vegas remains eligible for the UPI ratings until the NCAA rules on the appeal. Should the tournament ban remain in place, the Runnin' Rebels would become ineligible.

Arizona powered through four impressive victories in taking the NIT title, including an 89-77 championship-game victory over Arkansas in which the Wildcats used their superior front line to rally from an eight-point deficit in the second half.

''I think our physical strength down the stretch just started to tell on them '' Olson said. ''Arkansas is extremely quick, but when you have to keep banging on those 240-pounders, it takes its toll.''

Arkansas, 3-1, remained third despite its runner-up finish in the NIT. The Razorbacks were followed by No. 4 North Carolina and No. 5 Michigan State, both unchanged from the preseason ratings. No. 6 Georgetown improved one place after two wins in Hawaii.

No. 7 Syracuse jumped nine places after winning the Maui Invitational, including a 77-74 victory over Indiana. Alabama improved one position to eighth and No. 9 Duke fell three spots after losing to Arkansas in the NIT semifinals.

No. 10 UCLA, which advanced to the final of the Great Alaska Shootout, remained unchanged and Indiana dropped three spots to 11th. No. 12 Ohio State slipped one position and Connecticut remained 13th.

Georgia Tech and Pittsburgh were tied for 14th and there was another deadlock for 16th between Oklahoma and Georgia. No. 18 Virginia, UCLA's opponent in the Great Alaska Shootout final, improved one spot.

Southern Mississippi and Texas tied for 19th and Louisville moved up one position to 21st. No. 22 St. John's entered the ratings after winning the Lapchick Tournament.

No. 23 Louisiana State dropped 10 places after falling to Villanova in the Tip-Off Classic. New Mexico State entered the ratings at 24th and fellow newcomer Houston was 25th.

The Big East placed five teams in the Top 25, while the Atlantic Coast Conference was represented by four teams. The Big Ten, Southeastern Conference and Southwest Conference each had three members in the ratings.

Schools ineligible for consideration in the ratings because of NCAA sanctions are Illinois, Kentucky, Marshall, Maryland, Missouri, Northwest Louisiana and Robert Morris.

UPI Basketball Board of Coaches:
Northeast

Jim Boeheim, Syracuse; Tom Brennan, Vermont; Gary Brokaw, Iona; Lou Carnesecca St. John's; John Chaney, Temple; John Thompson, Georgetown; Bob Wenzel, Rutgers.
Atlantic

Tom Apke, Appalachian State; Gene Bartow, Alabama-Birmingham; Bobby Cremins,

Georgia Tech; Hugh Durham, Georgia; Dave Odom, Wake Forest; Dean Smith, North Carolina; Sonny Smith, Virginia Commonwealth.
South

Denny Crum, Louisville; Tommy Joe Eagles, Auburn; Marty Fletcher, Southwestern Louisiana; Wade Houston, Tennessee; Dave Loos, Austin Peay; Mike Newell, Lamar; Nolan Richardson, Arkansas.
Midwest

Tom Davis, Iowa; Jud Heathcote, Michigan State; Gene Keady, Purdue; Joey Meyer DePaul; Johnny Orr, Iowa State; Digger Phelps, Notre Dame; Charlie Spoonhour, Southwest Missouri State.
Central

J.D. Barnett, Tulsa; Tony Barone, Creighton; Don Haskins, Texas-El Paso; Reggie Minton, Air Force; Tom Penders, Texas; Danny Nee, Nebraska; Roy Williams, Kansas.
West

Jim Brovelli, San Francisco; Bobby Dye, Boise State; Jim Harrick, UCLA; Don Monson, Oregon; Lute Olson, Arizona; Jerry Pimm, Santa Barbara; Jerry Tarkanian, Nevada-Las Vegas.

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#90330u1364 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
JUNEAU, Alaska (NOV. 26) UPI - Sixteen fishermen were plucked from lifeboats or frigid waters and three fishing vessels were lost after a fierce storm battered the Bering Sea crab fleet, the Coast Guard said Monday.

The storm also damaged 11 other boats.

''My God, did they take a beating,'' said Rear Adm. David Ciancaglini, the Coast Guard commander for Alaska.

''I had my fingers crossed,'' he said. ''I didn't know what we were going to do to respond. There were mountains of waves.''

The Sunday storm, packing winds of 60 mph with gusts up to 90 mph, whipped up waves 30 feet high.

It attacked the crab fleet in the eastern Bering Sea before dying down late Sunday. A new, perhaps less vicious, storm was bringing more wind and high seas toward the same region.

On Sunday, no Coast Guard cutters were on hand and there was little the Coast Guard could do to help the foundering boats, Ciancaglini said. A rescue helicopter stood by and the Coast Guard kept in radio contact. Four vessels

reported injured or sick crewmen, but the most seriously injured were taken to the closest ports when the storm subsided.

A Coast Guard C-130 dropped pumps to a ship taking on water, but just hitting the target was a feat in itself, Ciancaglini said.

When the storm hit, 14 fishing vessels sent out distress calls from the southeastern Bering Sea, east of the Pribilof Islands and north of the Alaska Peninsula.

Coast Guard spokesman Ed Moreth said he couldn't recall so many distress calls from one area at one time in Alaska's stormy waters.

Five crewmen aboard the 100-foot Winter Hawk barely had time to don survival suits and call for help before their Seattle-based ship sank, Coast Guard Petty Officer John Germain said. He said all five were in good condition when they were picked up by two nearby fishing boats.

The 107-foot Shannon Marie of Portland, Ore., carrying six crewmen, and the 91-foot Pisces of Bellingham, Wash., with five crewmen aboard, both sank, but all 11 fishermen managed to get into life rafts and were rescued by other fishing boats, Germain said.

Eleven other vessels from Oregon, Washington and Alaska were either disabled or reported storm damage when waves smashed through the vessels' pilot houses.

A Coast Guard long-range communications station in the Pribilof Islands also was damaged but remained in operation.

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#90330u1481 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 26) UPI - President Bush and Mexican President Salinas today called for a new era of neighborly cooperation between their two countries. The two leaders were cheered by an enthusiastic crowd of about 50-thousand in Monterrey during formal welcoming ceremonies for Bush.

Earlier, Bush and Salinas kicked off a two-day summit in the Mexican president's small hometown of Agualeguas, 80 miles northeast of Monterrey. The White House described the meeting as productive and said both leaders want to pursue a free trade pact as fast as possible.

A U-S draft resolution is being considered by the U-N Security Council that sets a January 1st deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. The action comes as Iraq tells the visiting wives of U-S hostages they can take their husbands back to the United States.

But the State Department says it expects only three American husbands to be

released. Last week Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ordered the release of 10 British husbands after their wives visited Baghdad to plead for their freedom.

The government today responded to a lawsuit filed by 45 House Democrats last week challenging President Bush's authority to send U-S forces to the Persian Gulf without congressional approval. The government said the issue is political and therefore NOT for courts to decide.

Congressional spokesman say President Bush late today signed a disaster declaration for five flood-ravaged counties of western Washington state. The declaration sets federal agencies in motion to begin offering flood aid to residents and businesses hurt by flooding.

A fierce storm, packing winds gusting to 90 miles an hour and whipping up 30-foot high waves, battered the Bering Sea crab fleet. The Coast Guard says the storm destroyed three fishing vessels and damaged 11 others. 16 fishermen were plucked from lifeboats or frigid waters.

Leftist rebels in El Salvador shot down a Salvadoran military helicopter today... wounding the pilot... in the latest surge of fighting. It was the second government aircraft hit by rebel fire since Friday.

Also today, six soldiers were wounded in the capital of San Salvador by explosives thrown from a passing car. Urban guerrillas claimed responsibility for the attack, which they said was in reprisal for the government's efforts to privatize banks.

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#90330u1500 11/26/1990 ~United Press International

HARTFORD, CONN. (NOV. 27) UPI - Larry Bird scored 21 points, grabbed 14 rebounds and dished out 11 assists Monday night to lead six Boston players in double figures, carrying the Celtics to a 118-101 victory over the Miami Heat.

Bird, who recorded his 5,000th career assist earlier this season, needs only 12 points to reach the 20,000 mark in career scoring. He will become only the fifth NBA player to reach both those milestones. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Oscar Robertson Jerry West and John Havlicek are the others. He will also become the 15th player to reach 20,000 points.

Boston, which won its seventh straight and improved to 11-2 overall, is off to its best start since going 17-2 to begin the 1985-86 season. The Celtics own the league's second-best record behind Portland, which is 11-0.

The Celtics are now 8-0 in the all-time series against the Heat.

Kevin McHale and Kevin Gamble each scored 20 points for Boston, and Brian Shaw and Robert Parish each contributed 14. Reggie Lewis added 13 to round out the

Celtics' double-figure performers.

Rony Seikaly paced Miami with 21 points and Kevin Edwards scored 14.

The Heat, who never led and trailed from the game's third basket, closed to 60-56 on Seikaly's free throw early in the third quarter before Boston went on an 11-0 run in the ensuing 2:44 to break the contest open.

Lewis ignited the run by nailing an 18-footer from the right side and closed the spree with a breakaway dunk.

Boston continued to build its advantage by using its size advantage to control the boards and ignite its fastbreak, pulling to a 87-66 edge with 3:18 left in the third quarter.

The Celtics opened their biggest lead of the game, 112-88, midway through the final period.

Boston, which dominated the offensive glass and grabbed 34 total rebounds to Miami's 18 in the first half, had opened an 18-point lead midway through the second quarter before Miami closed to 58-53 at intermission.

The Celtics relied on a quick, up-tempo pace to open a led 33-22 after one quarter. Boston continued to benefit from easy transition baskets and used a 12-3 quarter-opening run in the second en route to their 18-point bulge before the Heat came charging back.

Trailing 51-36, Miami closed the first half with a 17-5 spurt. Edwards scored 6 and Rice added 4 to key the Heat's spree.

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(NOV. 27) - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	11	2	.846	-
Philadelphia	9	4	.692	2
New York	6	5	.545	4
Miami	4	9	.308	7
New Jersey	4	9	.308	7
Washington	3	8	.273	7

CENTRAL DIVISION

Detroit	10	2	.833	-

Milwaukee	9	3	.750	1
Cleveland	7	6	.538	3 1/2
Chicago	7	6	.538	3 1/2
Charlotte	7	7	.500	4
Indiana	5	7	.417	5
Atlanta	4	8	.333	6

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	7	3	.700	-
Houston	7	6	.538	1 1/2
Utah	6	6	.500	2
Dallas	5	6	.455	2 1/2
Minnesota	4	8	.333	4
Orlando	3	10	.231	5 1/2
Denver	1	11	.083	7

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	11	0	1.000	-
Golden State	8	5	.615	4
Phoenix	6	4	.600	4 1/2
LA Lakers	6	5	.545	5
LA Clippers	6	6	.500	5 1/2
Seattle	4	5	.444	6
Sacramento	1	10	.091	10

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(NOV. 27) - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
PATRICK DIVISION						
NY Rangers	16	6	5	37	107	67
Philadelphia	15	10	1	31	92	80
New Jersey	13	10	1	27	89	78
Washington	13	13	0	26	86	84
Pittsburgh	11	10	2	24	96	86
NY Islanders	9	13	1	19	64	84
ADAMS DIVISION						
Boston	13	7	4	30	76	71
Montreal	12	10	3	27	77	77
Hartford	9	10	4	22	63	72

Buffalo	8	8	6	22	73	73
Quebec	3	18	5	11	66	119

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NORRIS DIVISION						
Chicago	17	7	2	36	89	60
St. Louis	15	6	2	32	81	61
Detroit	10	10	3	23	84	90
Minnesota	5	15	5	15	66	91
Toronto	4	21	1	9	70	125
SMYTHE DIVISION						
Los Angeles	16	5	2	34	100	70
Calgary	14	9	2	30	107	81
Vancouver	11	12	1	23	75	84
Winnipeg	9	15	2	20	89	93
Edmonton	6	13	2	14	58	64

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TOKYO (NOV. 27) UPI - Pioneer Electronic Corp. announced Tuesday it has acquired all rights in Japan for the films to be produced by major U.S. film producer Carolco Pictures Inc.

The Tokyo-based leading audio-visual equipment maker said the acquisition is based on an agreement signed last July between Carolco Pictures and Pioneer LDCA, Inc., Pioneer's wholly owned U.S. subsidiary which owns about 10 percent equity in the U.S. firm.

As the initial outcome of the agreement, Pioneer acquired all rights in Japan for seven titles, including ''Terminator 2,'' and ''the Doors,'' directed by Oliver Stone, the company said.

The company said it was granted rights for all films to be produced by Carolco Pictures in the future as well as those which are currently under production.

The company has already obtained worldwide video-gramme rights of Carolco Films on laser discs.

Pioneer said the acquisition of all rights of Carolco films in Japan will help to expand its software business.

The first seven films produced by Carolco will be distributed to theaters in Japan by Toho-Towa Corp., the company said.

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#90330u1591 11/26/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 26) UPI - Some 250-thousand people cheered President Bush today during a visit to Monterrey, Mexico. The enthusiastic, flag-waving crowd chanted ''Salinas, Bush, solidarity,'' as Mexican President Salinas welcomed Bush for a two-day visit. The two leaders called for a new era of neighborly cooperation between the two countries. Bush praised Salinas as an ''architect of breathtaking economic transformation'' who has raised Mexico to- quote- ''a stronger position among the nations of the world.''

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In Los Angeles, a federal judget today handed down life prison sentences to two narcotics traffickers who spearheaded a ring that established a major link between South American drug cartels and L-A street gangs. 30-year-old Colombian-born Mario Ernesto Villabona Alvarado and 25-year-old Brian Bennett will be imprisoned without the possibility of parole. They were among six people convicted in May for their roles in a cocaine trafficking ring that smuggled three tons of the drug into the United States from Colombia between 1983 and 1988.

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(NOV. 26) UPI - Some 250-thousand people cheered President Bush today during a visit to Monterrey, Mexico. The enthusiastic, flag-waving crowd chanted ''Salinas, Bush, solidarity,'' as Mexican President Salinas welcomed Bush for

a two-day visit. The two leaders called for a new era of neighborly cooperation between the two countries. Bush praised Salinas as an ''architect of breathtaking economic transformation'' who has raised Mexico to- quote- ''a stronger position among the nations of the world.''

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HOLLYWOOD (NOV. 27) UPI - ''Home Alone'' left its competition far behind over the five-day holiday weekend, ringing up $28.7 million at the box office and holding on as the nation's leading moneymaker.

Starring Macaulay Culkin as a 9-year-old boy forgotten at home while his family jets off for a vacation, leaving him to fend off a pair of bumbling burglars, ''Home Alone'' clearly established itself as a hit with a gross of $48.3 million in its first 10 days.

Twentieth Century-Fox said the comedy, showing at 1,284 screens, is drawing both children and adults.

Although it did well, ''Home Alone'' did not match last year's record-setting $43 million taken in over the Thanksgiving weekend by the much-awaited ''Back to the Future Part II.''

Meanwhile, ''Three Men and a Little Lady,'' Disney's sequel to its hit ''Three Men and a Baby,'' charmed its way into the No. 2 spot with a $19.1 million five-day debut showing at 1,281 screens. The film, boasting the star power of Tom Selleck, Steve Guttenberg and Ted Danson, grossed about $5.1 million more than the original did in its five-day Thanksgiving weekend debut three years ago.

Another sequel, Fox's ''Predator 2,'' also opened strongly, scaring up $13.3 million at 1,950 screens. The action sci-fi flick stars Danny Glover and Gary Busey as opponents of an unstoppable alien.

Orion's American Indian epic ''Dances With Wolves'' trapped $12.7 million at 1,048 screens over the weekend, good enough for fourth place in its first week in wide release. The three-hour film, starring and directed by Kevin Costner, had drawn well in two weeks of limited release, giving it a 17-day gross of $14.3 million.

Sylvester Stallone's ''Rocky V'' stumbled from second to fifth place with just $11.3 million at 2,053 screens, off sharply from its $14.1 million three-day debut. The film, supposedly the last of the series, has grossed $27.3 million in 10 days.

Disney's animated sequel ''The Rescuers Down Under'' posted an adequate $5.3 million second weekend at 1,237 screens, to wind up No. 6. The film, being shown with Mickey Mouse's ''The Prince and the Pauper,'' has taken in $9.2 million in 10 days.

Romance-mystery ''Ghost,'' the year's biggest hit, materialized in the No. 7 spot, grossing $4.6 million at 1,713 screens.

''Ghost'' has grossed $195.4 million in 20 weeks for Paramount and should top the $200 million mark by early next month. It was the first weekend that ''Ghost'' has finished below fifth place since its release.

Coming in at eighth was Universal's ''Child's Play 2,'' the No. 1 flick just two weeks ago, with a $4 million gross at 1,946 screens over the weekend. Its 17-day total was $22.6 million.

Columbia's thriller ''Jacob's Ladder'' continued its descent with a paltry $2.7 million gross at 1,946 screens. The film has taken in $22.4 million in 24 days.

MGM/UA's cowboy flick ''Quigley Down Under'' rounded out the top 10 with a $1.2 million weekend at 835 screens. It has lassoed $17.3 million in six weeks.

Warner's animated ''Nutcracker Prince'' debuted with a weak $1.1 million in a three-day opening at 906 screens.

The top 10, their weekend gross, total gross and weeks in release:

1. ''Home Alone,'' $28.7 million, $48.3 million, 2 weeks.

2. ''Three Men and a Little Lady,'' $19.1 million, 1 week.

3. ''Predator 2,'' $13.3 million, 1 week.

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5. ''Rocky V,'' $11.3 million, $27.3 million, 2 weeks.

6. ''The Rescuers Down Under,'' $5.2 million, $9.2 million, 2 weeks.

7. ''Ghost,'' $4.6 million, $195.4 million, 20 weeks.

8. ''Child's Play 2,'' $4 million, $22.6 million, 3 weeks.

9. ''Jacob's Ladder,'' $2.7 million, $22.4 million, 4 weeks.

10. ''Quigley Down Under,'' $1.2 million, $17.3 million, 6 weeks.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 27) UPI - In a move that drew mixed reviews from environmentalists, A&M Records said Monday it would distribute pop artist Sting's upcoming release in a more environmentally sound package than the standard ''longbox.''

Instead of the 6-by-12-inch longbox used for most compact discs, Sting's ''The Soul Cages,'' due to be released Jan. 22, will be sold in a paperboard container that folds down to a 5-by-5-inch package for home storage, the record company said. The package will not contain the small plastic ''jewelbox'' that typically houses the CD inside the longbox.

Environmentalists oppose the longbox because it is immediately thrown away after consumers buy a disc, and because they say it uses more material than necessary _ material that winds up as a pollutant. A coalition of artists and small record labels banded together earlier this year under the banner ''Ban the Box'' to seek alternative packaging.

A&M records said it would use an experimental package for Sting's release designed by AGI Inc. of Chicago. The package, a variation of packaging currently used for CD singles and some speciality editions, will be displayed in its unfolded form at stores and secured by two plastic tracks on either side, which will make it difficult for thieves to fold up and steal.

Initial shipments of the disc will be shipped in longboxes, however, because of manufacturing limitations, A&M said. That decision irked Ban- the-Box members.

''There's no question that it's a step in the right direction, but from a Ban-the-Box perspective, we're a little disappointed with the outcome of Sting's commitment and his decision to compromise,'' said Robert Simonds, chief financial officer for Rykodisc Inc, and founder of the coalition.

Simonds praised rock singer Peter Gabriel and his label, Geffen Records, for their decision to ship his upcoming greatest hits disc in nothing but a jewel box, despite fierce opposition from retailers. Retailers vigorously oppose any change in the longbox that would force them to spend money to reconfigure their in-store displays.

The National Association of Recording Merchandisers is currently studying ways to eliminate the longbox and meet retailers' concerns. The trade group is expected to announce a recommended packaging by the end of January.

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DENVER (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Pawn Inc. (NASDAQ: USPN) announced Tuesday that the company reported record revenues of $2,580,200 for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 17.5 percent over the $2,194,996 reported in fiscal 1989.

For the year, gross profit increased by 32 percent to $1,525,097. For the period, the company reported a reduced net loss of $380,644, or 5 cents per common share, down 9.9 percent from the prior year's loss of $422,442, or 7 cents per share.

U.S. Pawn reported that the company returned to profitability during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 after experiencing a period of quarterly losses. Net income for the fourth quarter of 1990 was $21,775. ''We are very proud of our recent financial turnaround,'' said Melvin Wedgle, president of U.S. Pawn Inc.

''We are looking forward to reporting strong profitable results during fiscal 1991. Our turnaround is the result of several factors: the closing of unprofitable stores, stronger financial and operating controls and the

strengthening of our management team.

''These improvements have resulted in the generation of earnings of $33,767 during the first month of fiscal 1991, alone, and dwarf the earnings reported today for the fourth quarter,'' said Wedgle.

Having grown from revenues of barely three quarters of a million dollars in 1985, U.S. Pawn Inc. operates a successful and expanding chain of pawn shops in Colorado.

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SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Kroy Inc., an international manufacturer and distributor of office products, has secured the necessary equity and debt financing to successfully emerge from Chapter 11 bankruptcy.

The Chicago-based Turnaround Investment Division of Heller Equity Capital Corp., and its affiliate Heller Financial Inc., have provided $9.2 million to Kroy. Heller's investment will be combined with $1.8 million in equity and subordinated debt from Red Oak Investment Corp., of Minneapolis, Minn., to implement a plan of reorganization.

Heller and Red Oak purchased $3.15 million of Kroy common stock and have become the major shareholders in Kroy.

In announcing the financing agreement and the company's emergence from bankrupcy, Kroy President and Chief Executive Officer Howard Klemmer thanked the company's some 500 dealers for their loyalty to the company.

''We did everything possible to assure our dealer network that we would again be a viable company, and they stuck with us all the way,'' Klemmer said. ''Their confidence in Kroy allowed us to complete the bankruptcy without any major disruption in services to our customers.''

The Heller financing allows Kroy to move forward as a leader in the manufacture and districution of lettering, labeling and print products and signs.

The transaction was arranged by Heller's Turnaround Investment Division. Edwin A. Marks, managing director for the division, said Kroy represents the type of investment sought by his group.

The agreement culminates a six-month bankruptcy process for Kroy and its European subsidiary.

Kroy was sold in 1986 to a management group and employee stock ownership plan in a highly leveraged transaction. Kroy's inability to repay the $50 million in debt precipitated the bankruptcy. The company filed for Chapter 11 protection May 15, 1990. A plan of reorganization was confirmed by the court on Aug. 10 and became effective Nov. 16.

Kroy employs 270 people. Headquartered in Scottsdale, Ariz., the company also has a manufacturing facility in Osceola, Wis., and international offices in Reading, England.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Tuesday announced that European-based multinational businesses now have local access to the world's largest value-added public data network, SprintNet(sm), through new access centers in Paris, Frankfurt, Bern and Zurich.

These latest access centers, announced at the Telecommunications Managers Association trade show in Brighton, United Kingdom, continue the global expansion of SprintNet, bringing to nearly 500 the number of access centers installed in the United States and internationally. Earlier this year, Sprint opened access centers in Amsterdam, London, Nagoya, Tokyo and Moscow. Future network expansion plans call for the number of global access centers to reach 1000 by 1995.

SprintNet offers a sophisticated, cost-effective alternative to other public data network service offerings, including IBM protocol support, simplified flat-rate pricing structures, round-the-clock network monitoring, and expert local service and support.

SprintNet customers can obtain the full benefit of accessing nearly 100 countries around the world through a single billing and service contact. Additionally, SprintNet supports a host of value-added services, including multi-protocol communications, electronic data interchange and electronic messaging.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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LENEXA, KAN. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Two of the nation's leading railroads Tuesday announced plans to establish a joint locomotive engineer training center in Lenexa -- with four locomotive ''simulators'' -- by the end of the year.

Southern Pacific and Santa Fe will open the nation's first cooperative railroad training facility at the South Lake Business Park in this Kansas City suburb.

The railroads have signed eight-year leases for the single story, 23,700-square foot center.

Although Santa Fe and Southern Pacific will have separate training operations, including their own simulators, the facility will be jointly administered. Santa Fe will acquire three simulators from IIT Research Institute at Chicago -- one full-scale, full-motion unit and two room-size units -- while SP will move its present full-scale unit, built by Dynamic Services Ltd., at Montreal, to Kansas.

The simulator is a high-tech mockup of a locomotive cab and controls which electronically simulates actual railroad operating conditions through computer assistance that allows both beginning and veteran engineers to develop and refine their train handling techniques.

In 1969, Santa Fe was the first railway to use a full-motion simulator. SP has operated its own simulator at Cerritos, Calif., in the Los Angeles area, since 1970, and has trained locomotive engineers from several railroads, including Santa Fe and the Mexican national railroad (Ferrocarriles Nacionales de Mexico).

Santa Fe expects to move into the new facility this fall and SP plans to relocate its operation early next year, officials said.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - DSP Group Inc. Tuesday announced the appointment of John T. Lee as director of marketing for consumer products.

In this new position he is responsible for product definition, market development and merchandising of the company's digital signal processing (DSP) chip sets to manufacturers of electronics products such as telephone answering machines and dictation/transcription equipment. He reports to William Nicholson, vice president of marketing and sales worldwide.

Lee will focus on applications for DSP Group's proprietary speech processing technology, which includes voice recognition, speech manipulation and speech compression. In addition, Lee will head up a program to adapt the company's DSP technology to mass storage applications such as digital servo control and data compression.

''John's strong engineering background will be of great value to DSP Group's marketing team as we develop existing and new markets for our DSP technology '' said Nicholson. ''He has also proven himself equally capable in small and large company environments, a real plus in a startup like DSP Group that deals primarily with large consumer product OEMs.''

Prior to joining DSP Group, Lee was market segment manager for National Semiconductor's analog signal processing products. Before that, Lee was marketing manager of Exar Corp.'s line of general purpose standard products. He was co-founder of Finell Systems Inc., where he was executive vice president of engineering and operations. Lee has also worked as a product line manager for Siliconix and Hewlett Packard.

He holds bachelor of science and master of science degrees in electrical engineering from San Jose State University.

Founded in 1984, DSP Group Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of digital signal processing (DSP) based chip sets. The company combines DSP integrated circuits with proprietary DSP software to create complete application-specific system solutions that improve performance, add features and reduce the cost of high-volume consumer and commercial electronic products.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Businessland Inc. (NYSE:BLI) has strengthened its management team by adding Robert W. Wilkins as vice president of distribution operations, Leslie McNeill as vice president of strategic planning and Thomas F. Pelandini as vice president of communications.

Wilkins reports to Douglas C. Johnston, senior vice president of the BL Distribution Division and Mr. McNeill and Pelandini report to David A. Norman, chairman and chief executive officer of the Businessland Group.

Robert Wilkins brings over 20 years experience with a heavy emphasis on distribution and inventory control to his role of vice president of distribution operations. He was previously with the Foxmeyer Corp., a multibillion dollar drug and health care group where he spent a total of three years, first as president of Fox Trading Co.

In this position he directed warehousing, distribution, receivables management credit and collections. Prior to this, he was senior vice president for the Foxmeyer Drug Co. responsible for purchasing, warehousing and inventory management for this $2.5 billion company.

Before joining Foxmeyer, Wilkins was vice president of inventory management for McKesson Corp. from 1983 to 1987. Prior to that he worked as a management consultant for Coopers & Lybrand specializing in the development of automated distribution and procurement and inventory management systems.

His first 11 years in business were as director of corporate systems and later vice president of member services for United Grocers, Ltd. providing warehousing, inventory control and member services support.

Wilkins obtained his B.S. degree in marketing from Chico State and later entered graduate studies in business management, data processing and marketing at the University of California at Berkeley.

Founded in 1982, Businessland Inc. is an international leader in the distribution, integration and support of microcomputer and workstation systems for business. The company integrates products from selected manufacturers to create systems tailored to specific customer needs and provides the high-level service and support to maximize their productivity.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Weyerhaeuser Co. has indentified, through its refocusing program which is now nearing completion, $700 million of annual operating income opportunities, President and Co-Chief Executive John W. Creighton Jr. told an investor meeting here today.

He said the business improvement programs, which are being implemented over the next few years (using 1988 as base line), indicate a $320 million opportunity in the company's pulp and paper businesses, $270 million in its

forest products businesses, and $110 million in real estate, financial services and corporate operations.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - CALIFORNIA MICROWAVE INC. (OTC:CMIC) announced that its subsidiary, Satellite Transmission Systems Inc. (STS), has been awarded a $1 million+ contract from AT&T-Network Systems International, Hilversum, the Netherlands, to supply an INTELSAT Standard ''A'' satellite earth station to the Soviet Union's Ministry of Communications in the Soviet Republic of Armenia.

STS will supply and install a 15-meter diameter antenna and associated electronics equipment to carry telephone traffic from Armenia to the United States and Europe.

The all-digital earth station will significantly improve Armenia's communications infrastructure which was damaged as a result of the 1988 earthquake. This project is STS' first in the Soviet Union and its second major satellite earth station contract to be won in the last two months from an Eastern Bloc country.

It is also the first time the Soviet Union's Ministry of Communications has permitted one of its republics to buy communications equipment from an outside supplier.

STS, located in Hauppauge, N.Y., designs, manufactures and installs communications satellite terminals, equipment and networks for EUTELSAT, INTELSAT and regional satellite applications. STS has built and installed over 600 major earth stations worldwide.

California Microwave Inc. is a leading supplier of microwave and satellite communications systems.

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GOLDEN, CO (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - At the Ninth Annual Great American Beer Festival held recently in Denver, Coors Brewing Co. won three medals for brewing some of America's best beers.

For the second year in a row, Coors Extra Gold won the first place gold medal for the best American Premium Lager, Coors Light won a second place silver medal in American Light Lager category, and Winterfest won a silver medal in the American Amber/Vienna category.

''Coors Extra Gold has set a new gold standard once again,'' said Gary Skovsted, Coors Extra Gold brand manager. ''Extra Gold continues to outperform the competition in taste and color, qualities that our customers have come to expect from all Coors products.''

A record 151 domestic breweries presented more than 500 different beers at the two-day event. An expert panel of 21 professional judges from breweries of all sizes used blind tastings to determine the winners. Awards were given in 31 different beer categories.

Approximately 6,000 people attended the competition, which is the largest such event in the world.

''These awards represent some of the best tasting beer in America,'' said Daniel Bradford, director of the Great American Beer Festival. ''This sanctioned competition is one of the most respected in the beer industry.''

The announcement of the prestigious gold medal award for Coors Extra Gold comes on the heels of the brand's new advertising campaign ''Beer is Back.'' The campaign, currently being tested in 16 markets, demonstrates the color superiority of Extra Gold compared with the competition. Preliminary indications from test market distributors and retailers indicate that the campaign is working.

Extra Gold's ''Beer is Back'' campaign includes television, radio and print advertising, point-of-sale, and in-store merchandising featuring popular split beer mugs that break apart for easy color and taste comparisons.

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Brush Wellman Inc. (NYSE:BW) announced Tuesday the declaration of its regular quarterly dividend of 18 cents a share payable January 4, 1991,to shareholders of record as of December 21.

Brush Wellman Inc., with headquarters in Cleveland, is a manufacturer of engineered materials. The company and its subsidiaries supply worldwide markets with beryllium, beryllium alloys, beryllia ceramic, precious metal products, and specialty metal systems.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint has entered the healthcare marketplace with a comprehensive package of telecommunications services for physicians, hospitals, clinics and insurers.

The package, called HANDS(sm) (Healthcare Application Network Delivery System) was announced Tuesday at the Radiology Society of North America convention being held in Chicago's McCormick Place.

''The healthcare market is a very specialized area and US Sprint has established a dedicated group of professionals to develop and market products that will satisfy their needs,'' said Richard Smith, president of National Markets for US Sprint.

''US Sprint's HANDS package provides healthcare professionals with the telecommunications tools that will help them control costs and provide higher quality care. US Sprint's all-digital, fiber-optic network, combined with new delivery capabilities, enables us to take the lead in providing telecommunications solutions to the medical marketplace.''

Based on the ''pin drop'' quality of US Sprint's fiber network, HANDS includes WATS lines, 800 number services, dial-up video transmission and an efficient billing system that allows better control of costs. Customers such as hospitals and clinics can use the HANDS services themselves, as well as provide direct phone services to patients.

One feature of HANDS is dial-up access to the Sprint Meeting Channel's worldwide videoconferencing network, the largest anywhere. Sprint's dial-up videoconferencing enables healthcare professionals to meet face-to-face electronically using standard Sprint voice lines, without leaving their respective cities.

Videoconferencing helps cut the costs of travel, and reduces the amount of unproductive time spent in travel. Videoconferencing can even be implemented within the operating room, to allow surgeons to converse with peers and experts in remote locations.

A unique aspect of Sprint's HANDS package is the near-instantaneous transmission of medical images anywhere in the country. Physicians can transmit diagnostic quality images from CAT scans, Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) equipment, X-ray machines and sonograms in seconds, compared to hours and even days using other methods of electronic transmission or air-express

shipments.

SunHealth and US Sprint have signed a three-year agreement that allows SunHealth alliance member hospitals and other affiliated healthcare organizations access to US Sprint's HANDS package and its long distance services. The SunHealth alliance, the nation's third largest alliance of non-profit hospitals, is the first alliance of its kind to offer US Sprint's HANDS package to members.

The SunHealth alliance is a leading group of hospitals and healthcare organizations in 15 states, ranging from Maryland to Florida to Texas. The member organizations in the alliance operate more than 225 hospitals and healthcare facilities comprising nearly 63,000 inpatient beds. Approximately 363 physicians' groups and 175 extended care programs are associated with SunHealth for a variety of networking services.

The US Sprint long distance services provided by the agreement are PUBLICFON(sm), a pay phone service which will be available to patients in their rooms; VPN(sm) (Virtual Private Network), a software-based service for voice, data, image and video that allows the customer to operate as if they owned and operated their own private network; and a staff benefit program that provides participating employees additional long distance discounts.

The Sprint Meeting Channel will provide systems integration for the videoconferencing applications.

Said Roger Ballard, senior division vice president at SunHealth, ''The additional telecommunications quality and cost controls that SunHealth organizations can now provide to their communities through US Sprint will increase their capability to improve the quality of peoples' lives.

''We are particularly optimistic about the possibilities that teleconferencing holds for bringing our alliance members together on a timely, economic basis. We are optimistic about the medical imaging and remote diagnostics opportunities as well.''

Sprint sees its role in the $2.7 billion healthcare market as that of a telecommunications leader, applying telecommunications solutions to healthcare. Sprint intends to provide the same high-quality, cost-effective voice, video, imaging and data solutions as it does to the residential and business markets.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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SIMI VALLEY, CALIF. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - PerfectData Corp. (Additional NASDAQ:PERF) Monday announced that it has acquired the assets of Coverware Co. of San Diego.

Coverware is a manufacturer of high-quality computer and office equipment dust covers.

Robert Miller, former president of Coverware, will join PerfectData as product manager and continue to operate the manufacturing side of the business. Miller stated: ''PerfectData is the best distributor for Coverware products we could find. We look forward to being a part of their product line.''

Lee R. Mannheimer, president of PerfectData, said, ''We look to the Coverware product line to expand our horizons, and also add to our mix additional innovative products, which are now under development.''

PerfectData is a leading designer, wholesaler and marketer of media maintenance equipment and aftermarket supplies and accessories sold under the PerfectData brand name.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Litton's Applied Technology division, San Jose, Calif., has received a $9.3 million contract from Loral Systems Manufacturing Co. to start production on the U.S. Air Force's advanced radar warning receiver systems for F-16 tactical aircraft.

Litton has been selected as the Air Force's second production source for all five of the modules that make up the new AN/ALR-56M system.

Litton's initial funding is for 90 shipsets of three of the system's five modular units. Total revenues to Litton over the life of the ALR-56M program could reach several hundred million dollars.

Radar warning receivers are airborne systems that warn pilots they are being tracked by hostile radars.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense

systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Genentech Inc. announced that a human pilot study began last week at Walter Reed Army Institute of Research in Washington to test a recombinant vaccine candidate, gp120, as a potential treatment for infection with the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV).

The small pilot study is being conducted to determine if post-exposure immunization with recombinant gp120 can significantly boost the immune system of persons infected with HIV.

The gp120 being studied is a recombinant form of gp120, which is an exact copy made through biotechnology, of a major protein on the surface of the virus that causes AIDS. This is the first human study to test the gp120 candidate vaccine as a potential immune system booster in HIV positive patients.

The pilot studies are designed to determine safety and whether the vaccine will enhance immunity. Antibody and cellular immune response in patients receiving recombinant gp120 will be compared with their own baseline, as well as with a control group.

It is the first step in determining if a vaccine can sufficiently boost the immune response in otherwise healthy HIV positive patients enough to extend the latency period of the disease and delay the onset of illness.

''Immunotherapy is an intriguing treatment possibility,'' said Arthur J. Ammann, M.D., director of clinical research. ''Since the immune system of an infected individual is able to fight the virus during a long latency period, a vaccine may be able to boost the body's immune system and further delay illness,'' he said.

''This study is the beginning of what could be a very long process with an outcome that is uncertain.''

The initial work will involve 55 volunteer patients and will last about 10 months. The principal investigator is Lt. Col. Robert R. Redfield, M.D., chief of the Department of Retroviral Research at Walter Reed.

Walter Reed is one of the most distinguished research centers in viral diseases and has extensive experience in vaccine development, including the

potential use of AIDS vaccines as immunotherapeutics.

In a paper published in the scientific journal Nature on June 14, Genentech scientists reported that inoculation with recombinant gp120 had protected two chimpanzees from infection with the HIV virus, the first report published in a scientific journal of animals being protected with a subunit vaccine.

A subunit vaccine is a fragment of the HIV virus that is capable of producing protective immunity. The success in protecting the chimpanzees led Genentech to begin work in humans with recombinant gp120.

Genentech is currently evaluating the possibility of a separate human pilot study to test recombinant gp120 as a potential vaccine to protect uninfected individuals against HIV infection.

Genentech Inc. is a leading biotechnology company focusing on the dvelopment, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceuticals produced by recombinant DNA technology.

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WILLOUGHBY, OHIO (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - November 27, 1990 -- Figgie International Inc. has announced the appointment of Joseph J. Skadra as senior vice president-finance and controller. Formerly senior vice president and controller, Mr. Skadra will continue to report to Chairman Harry E. Figgie, Jr.

Mr. Skadra began his Figgie International career in 1970 as assistant controller for the ''Automatic'' Sprinkler division and the following year was promoted to division controller.

In 1976, Mr. Skadra was named group controller at Figgie International. A year later he advanced to special projects controller and took on added duties in 1979 as director of mergers and acquisitions.

Mr. Skadra was named corporate treasurer in 1980, group vice president in 1983 vice president and controller in 1984 and senior vice president and controller in 1990.

Mr. Skadra graduated from Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland in 1964 with a degree in business administration.

Figgie International is a diversified Fortune 500 operating company serving consumer, industrial, technical and service markets worldwide. Sales in 1989

were $1.3 billion.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The use of Imatron's (NASDAQ:IMAT) Ultrafast CT scanner for detecting and ruling out coronary artery disease was described in several presentations at the 76th Scientific Assembly and Annual Meeting of the Radiology Society of North America.

In a statement released Monday, Dr. Jerome Breen, M.D., of the Mayo Clinic stated: ''Ultrafast CT is exquisitely sensitive at detecting the presence of calcium in the coronary arteries, a sign of atherosclerotic disease.'' Imatron is the developer and sole supplier of Ultrafast CT scanners.

Imatron Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets CT products for medical diagnostic imaging, industrial applications, and baggage screening. Imatron products include the electron-beam Ultrafast scanner, which captures high-speed images of the heart as well as radiological chest and body scans free of motion-induced artifacts.

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OMAHA, NEB. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Data Transmission Network Corp. (NASDAQ:DTLN) announced Tuesday it has entered into an agreement with Koch Refining Co. to provide satellite-delivered communication and price notification services over DTNergysm.

Koch will utilize DTN's newly-developed DTNergy service to provide terminal prices, terminal alerts, electronic funds transfer notifications, electronic invoices, and sales and marketing announcements to its petroleum marketers beginning in March 1991. In addition, DTN will provide each marketer, as a part of the DTNergy service, energy futures and options quotations and financial news. Eighteen other refiners are currently conducting their own tests of DTNergy.

DTNergy brings to the petroleum industry capabilities which provide both the refiner and the petroleum marketer significant advantages and improvements over the printer-only services in use today.

DTN President Roger Brodersen stated that, ''The petroleum industry is another

niche market opportunity that we hope to capture utilizing our dominant position as a low-cost electronic information provider. We expect DTNergy to be an excellent complement to our existing agricultural and financial market information services. Our agreement with Koch, in combination with the previously announced agreement with Phillips 66 Co., should add approximately 2,500 subscribers to DTNergy.''

DTN is one of the industry leaders in low-cost, data broadcast techniques and was the first to implement the large-scale use of Ku-band satellite technology for mass market applications. DTN has over 53,000 subscribers to its agricultural and financial quotes, news and information services.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint has announced the availability of a service that will allow radiologists to transmit medical images from any place in the nation in seconds, for the cost of a long distance phone call.

The application is a breakthrough for both the telecommunications and the healthcare industries and extends the reach of radiology experts into areas where such services may not be readily available. This high-resolution medical imaging capability is available today as a service of US Sprint's HANDS(sm) (Healthcare Application Network Delivery System), a package of telecommunications services targeted toward the healthcare industry.

The HANDS network provides customers a dial-up, high-speed digital connection that allows them to select, and pay for, only the bandwidth they need for each application. By accessing US Sprint's high-quality network, physicians can send diagnostic-quality images to specialists anywhere in the United States for immediate analysis.

In the last decade, medical imaging has grown exponentially. Today's physician can choose from an array of options. Sonograms, thermograms, angiograms, magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), CT and PET scans, all have been added to the diagnostic arsenal. A giant leap from the black and white images of X-rays, these high-tech images show cross sections of the human body in 3-D and full color.

Fetuses move and hearts beat in real time and full motion. Doctors can view images that would have been impossible to obtain without radical surgery a few years ago. With US Sprint's HANDS, the images can now be sent anywhere.

US Sprint is uniquely positioned to offer medical imaging transmission because of its nationwide, all-digital, fiber-optic network. This provides faster and higher quality images than those currently available.

US Sprint has signed SunHealth, a major healthcare alliance of non-profit hospitals with headquarters in North Carolina, as its first major HANDS customer. SunHealth provides more than 63,000 in-patient beds throughout the southeastern United States.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video products and services on the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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TORRANCE, CALIF. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - John Golcher has been promoted to operations manager for International Light Metals' titanium division of Torrance, Calif., an integrated mill for aluminum and titanium products.

Golcher's appointment was announced by company President Gene Gambill.

Golcher, a 1963 graduate of Birmingham University, United Kingdom in metallurgy, has over 30 years experience in the metals industry. Prior to his appointment, Golcher served International Light Metals as quality control manager for the titanium division. He formerly was process planning manager for Schultz Steel of South Gate, Calif.

International Light Metals has over 45 years of extrusion and forging production experience and is a joint venture of Martin Marietta and NKK.

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WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Datacom's parent company, Franklin Telecom Corp. (OTC:FTCO), Tuesday reported net sales of $1,547,000 and net income of $27,000, or $.005 per share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Franklin Telecom is a leading supplier of data communications equipment to ''Fortune 500'' end users, OEM's and systems integrators.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - A new silicon chip design company -- Advanced RISC Machines (ARM), Ltd. -- has been formed in Cambridge, England.

By exploiting the proven reduced instruction-set (RISC) technology designs originally developed by Acorn Computers, it will address and attack the growing market for low-cost, low-power, high-performance 32-bit RISC computer chips.

ARM Ltd. is initially backed by Acorn (now nearly 80 percent owned by Olivetti), VLSI Technology, and Apple Computer. Currently, ARM products are licensed by VLSI Technology and Sanyo Electric Co. Ltd. of Japan.

The goals of the new company will be to expand the ARM product offerings and to promote other sources to support the growing customer base.

The strategy of ARM is to focus on applications where ultra-low power consumption, high-performance and low-cost are critical. Such applications and products include personal and portable computers, telephones, and embedded control uses in consumer and automotive electronics.

Several of these uses already are occurring at the design-in or production stage. More than 130,000 ARM chips have been shipped to date, placing it among the leading processors.

Announcing the launch of ARM Ltd. Tuesday, Sam Wauchope, managing director of Acorn Computer Group plc, said, ''The ARM architecture developed by Acorn has been implemented in several generations of chips over the last five years, using VLSI's design tools and manufacturing expertise.

''This proven technology and product base will be the foundation of ARM Ltd.'s plan to pursue an aggressive product roadmap.''

Larry Tesler, an Apple vice president said, ''There is a need for a new product and standard with ARM's advantages of high-performance, low power consumption and low cost for a variety of applications. We believe that the technology represents an important trend for the 1990s.''

Dr. James R. Fiebiger, president and chief operating officer of VLSI

Technology, said, ''The ARM's features make it uniquely suited to meet the rigorous requirements of embedded control applications, while meeting the market demand for low cost. The processor features the lowest cost per MIP of any product currently available.

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VANCOUVER, BC (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Equinox Resources Ltd. announces that mine construction has commenced at its Van Stone Zinc Mine project under a US$6.35 million financing package arranged through a conventional project loan for US$2.35 million supported by a corporate guarantee, and a project investment for US$4 million by a syndicate of European investors.

The syndicate will receive 70 percent and Equinox will receive 30 percent of net mine revenue after the project loan is retired and until payback of the syndicate's $4 million investment. Thereafter, the syndicate will receive 40 percent and Equinox will receive 60 percent of net mine revenue for the life of the mine.

The mine, located in northeast Washington state 25 miles south of Cominco's zinc smelter at Trail, B.C., will be operated by Equinox at a rate of 1100 tons of ore per day for two years as an open pit and thereafter for six years as an underground mine. Mineable open pit/underground reserves are 2,550,000 tons grading 5.7 percent zinc and 1.1 percent lead. Excellent exploration potential exists for extending the mine life.

Existing infrastructure includes a 1,100 ton per day mill, power, water, roads office and other facilities. Construction of a new tailings dam has been completed. A favourable smelter contract has been signed with Cominco Ltd. for smelting at the nearby Trail smelter. A mining contract has been signed with a major mine contractor and pre-stripping has commenced at a rate of approximately 35,000 tons per day.

Start-up is scheduled for February, 1991 with average annual production of 32,900 tons of zinc concentrate and 5,300 tons of lead concentrate. Break-even operating costs are estimated to be below $0.35 per pound zinc for the open pit phase. The mine will be the first base metal mine operating in Washington state in more than 13 years.

The Van Stone Mine will be Equinox's second producing mine and will provide earnings potential from both gold and base metals. The 100 percent owned

Zenda gold property in California is planned to be a third producer upon completion of mine financing. Continuing successful results from the advanced J&L and Rosebud exploration projects held under joint ventures with Cheni Gold Mines and LAC Minerals respectively may yield production decisions in late 1991. Equinox also maintains active exploration joint ventures with Arnax Gold Denison Mines, U.S. Borax and several junior resource companies.

The information contained herein has neither been approved nor disapproved by any securities commission or stock exchange.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Businessland Inc. announced a new company strategy at its annual meeting Tuesday.

The company is restructuring to meet the needs of the rapidly changing computer industry and to focus on the move corporate America is making to client/server computing.

It has developed a new paradigm as a fully integrated computer company rather than a reseller and has structured along the lines of a traditional manufacturer such as IBM or DEC by segmenting into separate business units with specific responsibilities and goals.

The company is now organized in four divisions: General Products, which handles product sales to all customers from the Fortune 1,000 to government, and small and medium-sized businesses, and includes Direct Catalog sales; Network Systems, which offers large scale applications and systems integration solutions for corporate clients with services such as consulting, facilities management, large vertical applications and implementation support;

Service, which will build on its existing services and customer base to be the premier multivendor desktop computing hardware maintenance organization by providing 8-hour turnaround, 85 percent spare parts availability and 85 percent fix on first visit;

Distribution, which is responsible for all warehousing, distribution and purchasing on behalf of the group. It acts as an OEM/manufacturer, purchasing at the best price, providing product availability and delivery on behalf of the sales and service operating units.

''Businessland has four existing strengths that position us ideally for growth in the 90s. Fifty percent of the Fortune 500 are our customers, we have skills in LAN technology and base hardware, multivendor capability, and a

level of purchasing power which delivers highly competitive pricing,'' said David A. Norman, chairman and chief executive officer.

''With the new Network Systems strategy, Businessland has differentiated itself by providing applications for specific vertical markets and the enabling technology that readily facilitates the migration of traditional large systems applications to the client/server hardware platform,'' said Ed Simon, president and chief operating officer of the company.

''This is the major market opportunity in the coming decade, and it is being further stimulated by the whole impetus of 'open systems' which is today translating into applications in these client/server hardware environments,'' he added.

Founded in 1982, Businessland Inc. is an international leader in the distribution, integration and support of microcomputer and workstation systems for business.

The company integrates products from selected manufacturers to create systems tailored to specific customer needs and provides the high-level service and support to maximize their productivity.

Businessland operates centers and branch offices in 50 major U.S. metropolitan areas, five metropolitan markets in Great Britain, two in West Germany, five in Canada and one in Japan. Businessland reported sales of $1.35 billion in fiscal 1990.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Winners Circle Inc. (NASDAQ:WNRS), which does business as High Five Sportswear, Tuesday announced the completion of the company's plans to redirect the orientation of its Team Systems active sportswear subsidiary.

Winners Circle is a manufacturer of garments for the corporate and promotional industry, while its Team Systems subsidiary has manufactured and sold apparel to retail chains and boutiques.

Prior to September of this year, Team Systems primarily produced a line of lycra activewear that was sold to the juniors departments of such retail outlets as Nordstrom's, Saks Fifth Avenue and Marshall Fields & Co.

Faced with a softening retail market, expecially in the juniors area, coupled with the necessity to order and pay for substantial quantities of lycra from

the Far East, Team Systems elected to reduce its financial exposure in this area and to undertake a thorough reassessment of its retail manufacturing operations.

In a series of moves, Team Systems reduced its overhead by suspending its acquisition of raw fabric, eliminating expenses associated with the maintenance of a Los Angeles Apparel Mart showroom and by reducing personnel expenses.

Following a determination by Team Systems' board of directors and Winners Circle's management that pursuit of the junior lycra activewear market posed unacceptable risks in the current economic environment, Adam L. Simon, who served as the subsidiary's president, resigned his position to pursue his own interests.

Since that time, Team Systems' management has conducted an ongoing analysis of the retail marketplace and has determined to pursue the development of a broader based men's sportswear line of apparel. The line, as currently envisioned, will include a full range of sportswear, including shirts, jackets sweatshirts and sweaters and will be created and marketed to address a specific customer profile.

To implement this program, Team Systems has begun assembling a staff of personnel with a demonstrated ability to conceive and activate the full line in a timely and cost-effective manner.

The redirected and newly designed Team Systems line is scheduled to debut at the ''MAGIC'' show in Las Vegas, Nev., in early March 1991 and will be designed by Ugo Capasso, whose work includes garment design work for such well known activewear companies as Fila and Maui & Sons.

Kerry Hirasuna has been retained as Team Systems' creative director. Her responsibilities will include ensuring that the company's line is fully merchandised and coordinated. Hirasuna has come to Team Systems from her position as apparel development manager at Reebok International Ltd.

To assist in the conception of the line, as well as in its marketing, merchandising and organization, Team Systems has entered into a consulting agreement with Paul Sunderland, most recently director of entertainment and sports marketing for Reebok International.

Sunderland was a member of the 1976, 1980 and 1984 U.S. Olympic Volleyball teams and has been an announcer of volleyball and other athletic events on NBC ESPN and Prime Ticket for the past several years. While at Reebok, Sunderland was initially responsible for the development of a volleyball shoe as well as for related items of apparel.

The individual responsible for constructing and maintaining Team Systems'

national representative sales force will be Roy M. Lacey, who joined the company last summer. Like Sunderland and Hirasuna, Lacey is a former employee of Reebok International, having served as the Western regional sales manager for its apparel division.

Lester D. Abrams, Team Systems' newly appointed president, who also serves as president of Winners Circle, noted that: ''With the rethinking and restructuring of Team Systems' line that has occurred in the last few months, and with the addition of Messrs. Capasso, Sunderland and Lacey, as well as Kerry Kirasuna, to our team we have every confidence that our new line will meet both our creative and financial expectations.''

Winners Circle's core business involves the design, manufacture and sale of garments, including jackets, sweatshirts, sweatpants and T-shirts that carry the logo, slogans or other promotional messages of customers, such as Paramount Home Video, the Disney Cos., Wells Fargo Bank, Motown Records, the Los Angeles Lakers, General Rent A Car, Warner Bros., BASF Corp. and a variety of ski companies, who use the company's products to enhance their images, sell their products and increase employee performance and morale.

The company's initial public offering was consummated in late July of 1990.

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NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Ventura Entertainment Group Ltd. (NASDAQ:VEGG) announced the company has received $3.2 million from the exercise of its class A and class B Warrants.

The company also announced it has extended the time in which the B Warrants can be exercised at the adjusted price of $2 per Warrant. The B Warrants are now exercisable at the adjusted price through Dec. 31.

Ventura Entertainment Group is a fully integrated entertainment production company which, directly and through its subsidiaries, produces television commercials, develops and produces network, cable and syndicated television series, mini-series, MOWs, theatrical motion pictures, music/variety specials and live events for the domestic and international marketplace.

The company also produces and publishes music and owns the Ventura Media Center in Orem, Utah, one of the largest production facilities outside of Los Angeles.

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LINCOLN, NE (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Terrano Corp. (NASDAQ:TRNO) announced Tuesday that Moreland Medical Center, a 60-physician multi-specialty clinic headquartered in Waukesha and serving the greater Milwaukee area, has purchased Terrano's ILS-5 Laboratory Information System.

The contract also includes Terrano's Laboratory Management and Advanced Microbiology Modules, plus multiple Instrument and System Interfaces. The systemm will be based on Terrano's Prime Computer Inc. 50-Series hardware platform.

''Continued success in the clinic and clinic/hospital market is a strong indicator that our research and development investment in those areas have firmly placed us in a new market segment that is nearly as large as our primary hospital laboratory market,'' said James A. Terrano, president and chief executive officer of Terrano Corp.

Terrano Corp. develops and markets integrated turn-key computer systems for radiology departments and clinical laboratories. The company is best known for the ILS-5 Clinical Laboratory System which is a comprehensive information management system for both hospital and private laboratories. Terrano Corp. products are based on the IBM AS/400 and Prime Computer Inc. 50-Series family of computer systems.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Gap Inc. Tuesday announced that its board of directors voted a quarterly dividend of 12.5 cents per share payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record Dec. 7, 1990.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Litton Industries Inc. Tuesday announced preliminary financial results for its 1991 fiscal year first quarter, which ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Net earnings for the first quarter just ended were $39.6 million, or $1.76

primary earnings per share, compared with $43.6 million, or $1.73 primary earnings per share, in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Sales for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $1.23 billion, compared with $1.22 billion for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Orion L. Hoch, Litton chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''During the first quarter we repurchased an additional 1.4 million Litton common shares. This continuation of our stock buyback program offset the earnings decline and resulted in a net gain for our earnings per share on a quarter-to-quarter basis.''

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems for U.S. and world markets.

LITTON INDUSTRIES INC.
Consolidated Statements of Operations (Preliminary)
First Quarter ended Oct 31, 1990, and 1989
(Thousands of dollars, except per-share data)

	First Quarter	
	1991	1990
Sales	$ 1,229,024	$ 1,215,435
Net earnings	$ 39,588	$ 43,563
Primary earnings per share	$ 1.76	$ 1.73
Memo: Shares used in computing primary earnings per share	22,397,338	25,065,925
Dividends on preferred stock	$ 205	$ 205

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PALO ALTO, CA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - More than 17,000 employees of Hewlett-Packard Co.'s San Francisco Bay Area entities Tuesday received cash profit-sharing checks totaling $16.7 million.

Companywide, HP distributed $71.5 million to more than 86,000 eligible employees throughout the world.

''We achieved record orders for HP overall this year, and this is especially notable considering industry trends,'' said John A. Young, HP president and chief executive officer.

''While our earnings declined by four percent compared to 1989, our people are

playing a key role in translating order growth into increased profitability. Profit-sharing is one way we recognize the contributions our employees make to HP's performance.''

HP employees are eligible for profit-sharing after six consecutive months of service with the company. Two checks are issued annually -- one in November and one in May. When combined, the checks represent from two to four weeks of extra pay.

HP initiated its current profit-sharing plan in 1962, but the 51- year-old company has been distributing profits to employees in one form or another since its beginning.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $13.2 billion in its 1990 fiscal year.

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SEAL BEACH, CALIF. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Rockwell International Tuesday announced that the first Navstar GPS Block IIA, an enhanced GPS Satellite, was successfully launched from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Florida.

GPS II-10 joins the constellation of 15 other Navstar GPS satellites that have now exceeded 80 cumulative years of successful space operations.

The present constellation consists of six developmental satellites and nine production satellites. Eventually, there will be 24 satellites on orbit. ''GPS II-10 brings the count to 16 operational GPS satellites on orbit, well on the way to 24-hour-a-day, uninterrupted global coverage,'' said Rich Horner GPS program director at the Satellite & Space Electronics Division.

All GPS satellites are assembled at Rockwell's Satellite & Space Electronics Division Seal Beach facility and are then flown by Air Force C-5A to Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Florida, where they are processed for launch on the Delta II launch vehicle.

The satellite on-orbit operations are controlled from Falcon Air Force Base in Colorado Springs, Colo. Rockwell supports these operations with resident staff at both Florida and Colorado sites.

Rockwell's Satellite and Space Electronics Division produces navigation satellites, space surveillance systems, electro-optic sensors and space electronics.

Rockwell International is a $12 billion multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphic businesses.

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POULSBO, WASH. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Pope Resources, a Delaware limited partnership, Tuesday announced a cash distribution of 90 cents per unit, payable on Dec. 28, 1990, to unitholders of record as of Dec. 7, 1990.

George H. Folquet, chief executive officer, stated that this distribution is due to income realized in 1990 and is intended to defray the unitholders' estimated federal income tax liability attributable to such income.

''The partnership's strategy is to minimize its net income so that there is minimal income tax liability, which will only require a small cash distribution,'' said Folquet. ''It's objectives are to optimize the long-term value of its land and timber assets through reinvestment, net income and distribution.''

Pope Resources, a master limited partnership, owns 71,000 acres of timberland and development property in the Puget Sound area of Washington state.

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ALAMEDA, CA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Barneyscan Corp., manufacturer and marketer of the Color Imaging Systems family of products, Tuesday disclosed details of major new funding from both existing and new investors totalling $5.5 million.

Barneyscan further announced the appointment of Robert G. Barrett and Neal Dempsey to its board of directors.

The funding came from existing investors, OSCCO Ventures of Menlo Park, Calif. and Technology Partners of Belvedere, Calif., as well as new money from

Battery Ventures of Boston, Bay Partners of Cupertino, Calif., and Leland Stanford Junior University Trust. The capital will be used to fund company growth and new product development.

''The funding comes at a time when venture capitalists are moving away from supporting the hardware market,'' said Albert E. Sisto, president and chief executive officer of Barneyscan.

''Our ability to acquire the funding proves that our systems approach will carry desktop prepress into the future.''

Barneyscan named Robert G. Barrett, general partner of Battery Ventures, to the board of directors. Barrett's background includes serving as an officer of The First National Bank of Chicago. Prior to joining The First National Bank of Chicago, Barrett was vice president in the corporate finance department of Hayden Stone, where he was responsible for private placements and public offerings of emerging growth-oriented companies.

Barrett received a bachelor of arts from Harvard College and a Masters in Business Administration from the Harvard Business School.

Also appointed to Barneyscan's board of directors was Neal Dempsey, general partner with the venture capital investment firm of Bay Partners. Dempsey brings 20 years of experience managing sales, marketing and entrepreneurial high technology firms.

Dempsey's background includes marketing and sales positions with Memorex Corp. and Electronics Memories. He also served as vice president, sales and marketing for the Information Terminals Group of Harris Corp. and as senior vice president for Zentec Inc. Dempsey is founder and chairman of Microserv Inc. of Bellvue, Wash. He is a graduate of the University of Washington.

''Both Robert and Neal bring a wealth of experience and knowledge in both finance and high technology to Barneyscan's board of directors,'' said Sisto. ''Barneyscan will profit from their combined expertise as the company continues on the cutting edge of desktop prepress technology.''

Color Imaging Systems from Barneyscan Corp. is a family of fully integrated hardware and software products designed to provide the publishing industry, and other strategic markets, with high-quality color prepress system capabilities at desktop prices. Barneyscan Corp., founded in 1986, is an established developer and manufacturer of market-driven system solutions that manage the integration of images into computer applications.

The company is headquartered in Alameda.

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CORVALLIS, OR (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - More than 2,500 employees of Hewlett-Packard Co.'s Oregon entities in Corvallis, McMinnville, Wilsonville and Eugene have received cash profit-sharing checks totaling $1.97 million.

At HP's division in Vancouver, Wash., more than 840 employees received $637,000 in profit-sharing checks. Companywide, HP distributed $71.5 million to more than 86,000 eligible employees throughout the world.

''We achieved record orders for HP overall this year, and this is especially notable considering industry trends,'' said John A. Young, HP president and chief executive officer.

''While our earnings declined by four percent compared to 1989, our people are playing a key role in translating order growth into increased profitability. Profit-sharing is one way we recognize the contributions our employees make to HP's performance.''

HP employees are eligible for profit-sharing after six consecutive months of service with the company. Two checks are issued annually -- one in November and one in May. When combined, the checks represent from two to four weeks of extra pay.

HP initiated its current profit-sharing plan in 1962, but the 51-year-old company has been distributing profits to employees in one form or another since its beginning.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries.

HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $13.2 billion in its 1990 fiscal year.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Materials, Inc. reported results for its fiscal year ended October 28, 1990, with record net sales of $567.1 million, up 13 percent from fiscal 1989 sales of $501.8 million, and net income of $34.1 million, or $2.00 per share, down from fiscal 1989 net income of $51.5 million, or $3.07 per share.

Backlog at the end of fiscal 1990 increased to $250.4 million, a new record for the company, up from $188.4 million at the end of fiscal 1989 and $227.3 million at the end of the third quarter 1990. The company also announced results for the three months ended October 28, 1990. Net sales were $141.0 million, down slightly from $142.2 million in the fourth quarter of 1989 and net income of $3.0 million, or $0.18 per share, compared to the $11.5 million, or $0.69 per share, reported one year earlier.

''Growth was fueled by the success of new products addressing new markets and by increasing our share in markets already served. Gains in new orders demonstrated our customers' confidence in Applied Materials' leadership technology solutions for their worldwide semiconductor fabrication requirements,'' said James C. Morgan, chairman and chief executive officer. ''However, earnings were below the prior year's record level due to lower than expected revenue and because of strategic investment decisions made to expand our product line and broaden our distribution capabilities: steps which will make us a stronger company in the future.''

Incremental revenues in fiscal 1990 came from the company's newer multi-chamber deposition products: dielectric chemical vapor deposition (CVD), tungsten CVD and physical vapor deposition (PVD). Applied Materials also had record revenue of over $100 million from its after-sales service and support business, up nearly 30 percent from the prior year. In the transition from the Precision Etch 8300 to the Precision 5000 Etch series of products, the company's total etch business was down about 10 percent from the prior year, with the Precision 5000 Etch gaining momentum during the year. Geographically, U.S. sales constituted 45 percent of revenue; Japan 33 percent; Europe 18 percent; and Asia/Pacific 4 percent.

Applied Materials, Inc. is a global growth company and the leading independent producer of wafer fabrication systems for the worldwide semiconductor industry. It is a market leader in chemical vapor deposition (CVD), dry plasma etching and silicon deposition. The company is also a leading manufacturer of ion implantation and physical vapor deposition (PVD) systems. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''AMAT.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Joseph J. Melone, president of The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the U.S., commenting on a rumor in financial markets, ''strongly denied'' that the company is experiencing financial problems.

''The Equitable is in solid financial condition and is going about business as usual,'' said Melone. ''Any rumor to the contrary is absolutely false and unwarranted.

''The company is a leader in all its markets, has strong cash flow from operations, is highly liquid and has approximately $62 billion in assets. The unfounded accusations are totally wrong, are without merit and do a grave disservice to the company of its customers.''

Various rumors surfaced in financial markets Tuesday morning that the company was planning to file for bankruptcy as well as rumors that the company has missed a bond payment. ''We do not know where or how these rumors started,'' said Melone. ''In any event, they have no basis whatsoever in fact, are outrageous and extremely irresponsible.''

Melone pointed to the fact that The Equitable is regulated by the New York State Department of Insurance and is followed by the major rating agencies. ''These organizations follow the company on an on-going basis and all of their conclusions indicate that The Equitable is in sound financial condition,'' said Melone.

''Equitable's ratings from Standard & Poor's and Moody's indicate that the company has a stong capacity to meet all its obligations and that we are investment grade,'' said Melone. ''Also, the A.M. Best Co. rates The Equitable A+, the highest rating offered.''

The Equitable is the nation's third largest life insurer and, with more than $135 billion in assets under management, is the nation's third largest institutional investor. The Equitable ranks as the fourth largest asset manager in the world.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Sharper Image Corp. (NASDAQ:SHRP) Tuesday reported its results for the third quarter and nine months ended Oct. 31.

For the third quarter ended Oct. 31, The Sharper Image reported total revenues of $36.1 million, a 12.8 percent decrease from total revenues of $41.5 million for the like quarter in the prior year. The company reported a net loss of $1.4 million, or 17 cents loss per share, compared to a net loss of $840,000, or 10 cents loss per share for the like period last year.

For the nine months ended Oct. 31, The Sharper Image reported total revenues of $112 million, a 7.2 percent decrease from total revenues of $120.7 million for the like period in the prior year. Net loss for the nine months ended Oct. 31 was $4.3 million, or 53 cents loss per share, compared to a net loss of $1.9 million, or 23 cents loss per share for the like period in 1989.

''The retail business environment continues to be difficult and our soft sales in the current period reflect the consumer's reluctance to spend,'' said Richard Thalheimer, president and chief executive officer of the company.

Thalheimer further stated that ''the adverse effects of the lower sales volume on the bottom line were to a large extent mitigated by our cost saving efforts. The savings of $2 million achieved in the current third quarter from last year in advertising expenditures, along with savings in personnel costs and other general and administrative expenses of nearly $1 million, contributed significantly to the bottom line.

Thalheimer added that ''we anticipate the expense reduction program to provide additional savings in the fourth quarter.''

During the quarter ended Oct. 31, the company opened two additional new stores in Santa Clara, Calif., and Chicago (at Water Tower), bringing the total number of stores to 72. Three additional new stores are planned to be open before this year's holiday season.

In October, the company entered into two new foreign licensing agreements: one with a licensee in Germany and one with a licensee in Mexico. Both licensees were granted the right to establish operations for retail stores and catalog distribution. These two new licensing agreements provide the potential for future additional royalty income.

The Sharper Image is a specialty retailer of a unique selection of innovative and high quality products that are marketed through its colorful, monthly catalogs and expanding retail network, which now totals 72 stores nationwide and eight internationally through its foreign licensees. The company offers a variety of products, including consumer electronics, communications, health and fitness, recreational and novelty items.

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PHOENIX (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Valley National Bank of Arizona (NASDAQ:VNCP) and the Prudential Insurance Co. of America have entered into a letter of intent which would result in Valley Bank's acquisition of Prudential's interest in the Valley Bank Center and the Valley Bank Center parking garage.

The parties will negotiate a definitive agreement and plan to consummate the transaction prior to year-end.

The 40-story Valley Bank Center is the state's tallest building, completed in 1973. Currently, Valley National Bank has an approximate 50 percent interest in the office building and The Prudential owns the remaining portion of the office building and all of the adjoining parking structure.

When the transaction is completed, Valley National Bank will own 100 percent of the assets comprised of the land, office building and related parking garage which encompasses two city blocks between Central Avenue and 2nd Street and Van Buren and Monroe.

No other information regarding this proposed transaction has been released.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Electronic Data Technologies (NASDAQ:EDAT) (''EDT'' or the ''company''), Tuesday announced a net loss of $3.7 million for the twelve months ended Sept. 30.

The loss resulted from a combination of factors, including increased operating costs, additional inventory and accounts receivable reserves and the write-down of certain capitalized product enhancements to their estimated realizable values. Also, in the fourth quarter sales of gaming systems declined. EDT previously announced a management reorganization and workforce reduction aimed at reducing its selling, general and administrative expenses.

As a result of this loss, EDT is currently in noncompliance with certain of the conditions of its bank credit lines. While EDT is working with its banker to resolve such noncompliance, no assurances can be given that such resolution will occur.

The company reported revenues of $24 million for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30 compared to revenues of $22.5 million for the comparable prior year period. Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30 were $4.1 million as compared to $6.5 million for the like quarter last year.

The company incurred a net loss of $3.7 million, or $1 per share, for the year ended Sept. 30 as compared to income from continuing operations of $2.2 million, or 59 cents per share, for the like period last year. Net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30 was $5.4 million, or $1.43 per share, as compared to net income of $564,000, or 15 cents per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The decline in quarterly revenues is attributable primarily to a 59 percent decrease in revenue from the sales of Gaming Management Systems from $3.2 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989 to $1.3 million in the current quarter. Route Management fees accounted for 52 percent and 35 percent of total revenues for the three and twelve months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively.

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DALLAS (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Lomas Financial Corp. (NYSE:LFC) Tuesday announced it has completed the sale of its life insurance group to an affiliate of Conseco Inc. (NYSE:CNC) for approximately $140 million in cash and $25 million principal amount of junior debt securities.

As previously announced, Lomas will retain approximately $15 million of real estate formerly owned by its life insurance subsidiaries.

The life insurance group includes Jefferson National Life Insurance Co., Indianapolis; Union Life Insurance Co., Little Rock, Ark.; and First Continental Life & Accident Insurance Co., Salt Lake City. In the first nine months of 1990, the group had total revenues and premiums collected of approximately $200 million. Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990, were approximately $1 billion.

Lomas' life insurance companies were not included in its September 1989 Chapter 11 filing. However, the sale was approved by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - To address growing customer demand for

multimedia capabilities, IBM Tuesday made available specifications developed with Microsoft which are designed to let developers more easily create applications that run on Operating System/2 (OS/2) and DOS with Windows.

Also, IBM announced plans to implement the specifications as extensions to OS/2.

Multimedia technology allows sound, images, animation and video to be combined on computers. The specifications, which IBM is making generally available to the industry, address developers' needs for common multimedia application program interfaces (APIs) and use of data file formats across OS/2 and Windows.

A draft of the specifications is available to developers immediately with plans for the final specifications to be published early in 1991.

The specifications include two components. One, Resource Interchange File Format (RIFF), allows audio, image, animation and other multimedia elements to be stored in a common format. The second, Media Control Interface provides a consistent way to control media devices such as CD-ROMs and video playback units.

In a separate announcement today, Microsoft said the specifications also will be used to provide multimedia extensions to Windows and that it is making available a beta release of its Multimedia Development Kit. The kit complies with the specifications and will include the requirements identified by IBM for image, audio, data formats and file management.

IBM also announced it has signed a licensing agreement with Microsoft under which IBM will license the multimedia extensions it develops for OS/2 to Microsoft. Microsoft also will license its multimedia extensions for Windows to IBM.

''Multimedia brings computing to life,'' said Michael A. Braun, vice president multimedia at IBM. ''For example, the user can select a city from a map and go on a 'video tour' complete with narration, music, economic statistics, diagrams and photos.

IBM is also actively recruiting multimedia developers to its business partner program. These business partners receive development support and assistance as well as access to IBM's marketing and support channels, including the certified multimedia dealer program IBM intends to launch in 1991.

Operating System/2 (OS/2) is a trademark of International Business Machines Corp. Windows is a trademark of Microsoft Corp.

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SUNNYVALE, CALIF (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Faced with the current downturn in market demand for ICs, product oversupply and the erosion of semiconductor prices, Oki Semiconductor has announced the restructuring of its marketing, sales, engineering and support organizations including the streamlining of its Sunnyvale headquarters and field sales offices.

It is expected that the restructuring will provide Oki Semiconductor with an organization and staff level compatible with current market demands.

The organizational restructuring includes the integration of the previously separate marketing and sales organizations into three newly created business units. The units are: Standard Products headed by Dennis McKenna, Oki Semiconductor's former vice president of sales; ASIC/Logic headed by Joe Baranowski, Oki Semiconductor's former vice president of marketing; and Technology Solutions headed by Gary Hess Oki Semiconductor's former manager of ASICs.

In addition a new function, office of the chief executive officer, has been created. Tatsuo Ishihara, Oki Semiconductor president and Mike Hamper, Oki Semiconductor senior vice president will share its responsibilities and duties.

The move to business units has been under consideration for some time as a more efficient functional concept for quick reactions in demanding markets and better alignment of resources, both in field sales and at the headquarters facility. Oki Semiconductor has implemented the realignment to improve responsiveness to customers, and chose this business downturn as a good time to begin the restructuring.

Oki Semiconductor was founded in 1977 and manufactures a broad line of VLSI devices and board level products for use in computers, telecom systems, automotive and consumer products. In addition to its customer specific IC's, including CMOS gate arrays and standard cells, the company is a leader in CMOS microprocessor, memory and speech synthesis semiconductor devices.

Headquartered in Sunnyvale, Oki Semiconductor provides system level solutions by combining sophisticated packaging technologies with semiconductor and board level integration. Manufacturing facilities are also located in Tualatin (Portland), Ore., and Puerto Rico.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Edward R. Simon Jr., president and chief operating officer of Businessland Inc., Tuesday was named to the company's board of directors.

Simon, 51, joined the company earlier this month and is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the international computer company, including the four new operating divisions announced today at the company's annual meeting.

The new operating divisions are: General Products, Network Systems, Service, and Distribution.

Founded in 1982, Businessland Inc. is an international leader in the distribution, integration and support of microcomputer and workstation systems for business. Businessland operates centers and branch offices in 50 major U.S. metropolitan areas, five metropolitan markets in Great Britain, two in Germany, five in Canada and one in Japan.

Businessland reported sales of $1.35 billion in fiscal 1990.

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CANOGA PARK, CALIF. (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Rockwell International Corp. announced Tuesday that it has agreed to pay $280,000 to settle previously reported alleged violations of hazardous waste control laws and regulations.

The complaint against the Rocketdyne Division's Santa Susana Field Laboratory (SSFL) and main plant in Canoga Park was brought by the California Attorney General's Office on behalf of the State Department of Health Services (DHS).

Rockwell, which believes a number of the allegations in the complaint were without legal merit, made the settlement without admitting liability in order to avoid costly and time-consuming litigation.

The company has implemented corrective actions to rectify alleged violations that were the subject of the DHS' complaint.

According to Rocketdyne President Robert D. Paster: ''We are committed to conducting our business in a safe manner and in complete compliance with all environmental laws and regulations. We'll settle for nothing less.''

Paster added: ''We believe that at no time did Rockwell's activities pose any danger to the health and safety of employees and residents living near the Santa Susana or Canoga Park facilities.''

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SANTA ANA, CALIF (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. Tuesday announced the appointment of Robert A. Garbutt as vice president of sales and marketing.

In making the announcement, President and Chief Executive Officer Bert J. Novak stated Garbutt's responsibilities will include all sales and marketing functions including the expansion of the company's ISO network, as well as build upon Novadyne's renowned field service operations in North America.

Novak indicated that Garbutt's experience and talents will play a vital role in an even more aggressive pursuit of new dealers and VARs, implementing an array of flexible, attractive and creative ISO programs to augment those already in place.

''I am extremely pleased to welcome Robert Garbutt to the Novadyne senior management team,'' Novak said. ''His experience as an executive with over 20 years of proven accomplishments in sales management, marketing and customer service makes him a valuable addition to Novadyne,'' he said.

Garbutt comes to Novadyne from Jonas & Erickson, where he was president and chief executive officer for the $30 million value added reseller organization in the construction, property management, hospitality and distribution markets.

Garbutt received a bachelor's degree in economics from Rutgers University in 1966 and his master's degree in marketing from Fairleigh Dickinson University in 1970.

A native of New Jersey, Garbutt resides with his family in Irvine.

Novadyne Computer Systems' products and services are marketed nationwide to companies in all facets of commerce including aerospace, retailing, transportation, distribution, communications, health care, educational organizations and federal and local government agencies.

During the past year Novadyne assumed all sales and marketing responsibility for McDonnell Douglas Computer Systems in North America.
One of the largest third-party service organizations in the nation, Novadyne has 1000 employees in 125 locations in the United States. Revenues in 1989 exceeded $100 million.

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SACRAMENTO, CALIF. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Unify Corp. and Sybase Inc., two of the leading Unix software vendors, have signed a cooperative sales and support agreement to deliver a high-performance software development environment for a wide variety of client/server and on-line transaction processing needs.

Under terms of the Unify/Sybase pact, both firms will directly sell and support a tailored client/server version of Unify's ACCELL/SQL high-performance 4GL application development toolset.

Unify's new ACCELL/SQL for SQL Server product is an Open Systems 4GL front-end development toolset for improving client/server applications development with the Sybase SQL Server RDBMS.

The Unify/Sybase product and business announcements were part of Sybase's launch of its new Open Tools Program, a program formed to deliver a new level of cross-vendor cooperation. ACCELL/SQL for SQL Server was developed as a result of two years of close technical cooperation between Unify and Sybase, and is among the first packages chosen by Sybase for its program.

''We're truly excited to be able to offer a client/server version of Unify's powerful Open Systems 4GL development technology in conjunction with the popular SYBASE client/server RDBMS,'' said Karan Eriksson, Unify's vice president of marketing.

''This effort combines Unify's expertise in Open Systems and productive 4GL technologies with Sybase's powerful client/server RDBMS. This has resulted in a powerful client/server environment.''

''Unify's ACCELL 4GL is the market share leader in Open Systems Unix applications development tools that offer RDBMS independence,'' said Stewart Schuster, Sybase's vice president of marketing. ''Sybase has selected ACCELL to be among the first Open Tools Program products because of its GUI technology and strong SQL Server integration.''

There are three key 4GL/Open Systems features ACCELL/SQL for SQL Server offers to make development of client/server and OLTP applications quicker, simpler and more powerful. These include:

ACCELL/SQL for SQL Server provides dramatic productivity gains for client/server developers by providing native integration to the SQL Server through the Sybase Open Client Interface. Moreover, ACCELL has been specifically optimized to support many of the SYBASE RDBMS most popular features, including: the SYBASE internal scheduler, stored procedures,

transaction locking and SYBASE triggers.

ACCELL/SQL for SQL Server is available immediately, with prices ranging from $1,770 to $251,625, depending upon hardware configuration and number of users. ACCELL/SQL supports all leading Unix databases and user interfaces, and runs on more than 170 different hardware platforms, making it the most portable client/server development environment available.

ACCELL/SQL for SQL Server is based on Unify's ACCELL/SQL, the Open Systems 4GL development system. ACCELL/SQL is the industry's first application development technology built to support multiple database and user interface options.

Unify Corp. is a leading manufacturer of Unix-based application development software tools. Based in Sacramento, Unify employs 250 people in 18 offices across the United States, Europe, Japan and Australia. Unify's ACCELL/SQL is the foundation software technology for the U.S. Air Force's $1 billion worldwide Unix conversion project -- the Standard Multi-User Small Computer Requirements Contract awarded to AT&T.

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ANNAPOLIS, MD (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Sonex Research Inc. (NASDAQ Symbols: SONX, SONXL) Tuesday announced that it has signed a contract with a major Japanese motor vehicle manufacturer to demonstrate the patented Sonex Combustion System (SCS) in one of the manufacturer's vehicular engines.

Dr. Andrew A. Pouring, president, chief executive officer and chief scientist of Sonex, stated, ''This contract, representing our first collaboration with a major Japanese manufacturer, is a further indication of the worldwide interest in the SCS. We are confident that the Sonex modifications, together with technical advances achieved by the manufacturer, will result in significant reductions of particulate emissions and oxides of nitrogen from this engine.

The successful completion of subsequent optimization tests by the manufacturer could lead to the production of Sonex modified engines which would be able to meet stricter impending emissions standards in all of the world's major markets.''

While strict confidentiality provisions preclude disclosure of the terms of the contract, Dr. Pouring did indicate that the testing will be funded by the manufacturer, which sells motor vehicles in the United States, Europe and

Japan.

Sonex Research Inc., a leader in the field of combustion technology, has developed an improved combustion system for engines. The SCS, which is covered by approximately 150 patents issued and pending worldwide, has been shown to reduce emissions, enable the use of alternate fuels, permit an engine to operate on ultra-learn air-fuel ratios and suppress knock in engine tests conducted in the laboratory and in vehicles.

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PROVO, UTAH (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - LARSON-DAVIS INC. (NASDAQ:LDII) Tuesday announced record results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues were $1,649,480, an increase of 38 percent from $1,195,877 for the same quarter last year. Net income increased 191 percent to $138,005, or 3 cents per share, from $47,490, or 1 cent per share, in the same period last year.

This is the best quarter ever for revenues and net income in LARSON-DAVIS's history. Record net income of $138,005 for the quarter exceeds net earnings for any previous full fiscal year. The record first quarter results follow record revenues and net income achieved in fiscal 1990 which ended June 30, 1990.

Brian G. Larson, president, stated: ''We are very pleased with our record first quarter results. In addition to strong growth in the Instrumentation Systems Group, the Information Systems Group with its recent introduction of our proprietary Electronic Text Retrieval software is beginning to make a contribution to performance.

''With the combination of increasing sales in all sectors, including foreign sales, and the introduction of our Electronic Text Retrieval software, we anticipate that current growth trends will continue.''

Regarding the long-term prospects for the company, Larson observed: ''We are continuing to make a significant investment in the long-term growth of our company through research and development expenditures.''

LARSON-DAVIS INC.
Operating Results

	Three Months Ending	
	Sept. 30 1990	Sept. 30 1989
Revenues	$1,649,480	$1,195,877
Research and development	193,384	219,945
Net income	138,005	47,490
Net income per share	3 cents	1 cent

LARSON-DAVIS INC. develops, manufactures and markets advanced precision acoustical measurement and analysis instrumentation to industry, governments and airports. Customers include Fortune 500 companies, U.S. government agencies and international airports.

LARSON-DAVIS also develops, manufactures and markets a proprietary Electronic Text Retrieval software with application in the publishing industry, university administration, legal and accounting professions and general corporate environments.

A copy of the Sept. 30, 1990, 10 Q is available upon request. LARSON-DAVIS INC. is traded on the NASDAQ system under the symbol LDII.

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CHATSWORTH, Calif. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - NMB Technologies Inc., the world's leading supplier of ultra high-speed DRAMs, Tuesday announced the availability of its new AAA1M300 series 1-Mbit CMOS DRAM at 60ns.

The high-speed design supports direct access with 16-MHz microprocessors, eliminating the need for cache memory and allowing designers to create true zero wait state systems.

''NMB Technologies is committed to developing the fastest DRAMs on the market '' said Myron Jones, senior vice president. ''We bring a new level of price/performance to the PC marketplace. A direct access memory architecture, with zero weight states, is faster and less expensive than all other memory architectures.''

60ns DRAM Features

Read/Write cycle times as low as 110ns allow designers to create zero wait state systems utilizing 16-MHz microprocessors without resorting to complex interleaving or caching schemes.

The new, high-speed DRAM is available in enhanced-page mode with page mode Read/Write cycle time of 25ns. Operating voltages range from 4.5 to 5.5V and temperatures from 0 to 70 degrees Celsius. Power consumption for the 60ns 1-Mbit DRAM is up to 400 milliwatts with 5.0 volts Vcc.

The high-speed DRAMs are manufactured using six-inch wafers with 1.2-micron line widths in fully automated Class 1 clean room facilities.

''NMB Technologies has been the driving force in developing the market for high-speed memory DRAMs since 1985,'' said Jones. ''Our 60ns product reinforces our goal to provide superior memory products for every segment of the high-speed PC market.'' Price and Availability

The DRAMs are available in plastic DIP, ZIP and SOJ packages with industry standard interfaces and pinouts. One- and two-megabyte modules are also available. The new 60ns DRAM is in full production and is currently being designed into advanced PCs, which will be available in early 1991.

Pricing for the 1-Mbit 60ns DRAM is approximately $5 per unit for quantities of 10,000. For further technical and pricing data, contact Tony Takeshita, NMB Technologies Inc., 9730 Independence Ave., Chatsworth, CA 91311, 818/341-3355.

NMB Technologies Inc. is the world's leading supplier of broad-based products for the computer market. NMB Technologies is the electronics marketing division of NMB (USA) Inc., the North American headquarters of the Minebea Group of companies. Minebea produces a wide variety of electronic components, including DRAMs, keyboards, step motors, sensors, axial fans and audio speakers.

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ANAHEIM, CA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Kaempen USA Inc. an Anaheim-based public company, has announced the signing of a joint venture agreement with the Comanche Enterprise and Investment Authority Ltd. of Lawton, Okla.

The venture is to be named Kaempen - Comanche Tank Co. and will manufacture

Kaempen Composite Underground Storage Tanks for distribution in Oklahoma and the Midwest.

Kaempen Underground Tanks were the second Non-Metallic storage tank to receive a U.L. listing. Over 100 Kaempen Tanks were installed in the Western United States during the early 1970's. Not a single Kaempen tank has been reported as leaking since that time.

Kaempen Underground Tanks are manufactured using a patented process and design completely unique to the industry. Kaempen Tanks do not corrode and are five times stronger than similar tanks made from steel.

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EAST HANOVER, N.J. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Ultimate Corp. (NYSE:ULT) has expanded its customer-service capabilities by opening a new Technical Assistance Center (TAC) in Irvine, Calif., Monday, according to an announcement made by Ultimate Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Michael J. O'Donnell.

''Our New Jersey TAC has been the heart of our customer-service operation since it was first opened in 1978,'' O'Donnell said at the opening ceremonies. ''We have expanded the TAC concept to California to increase our geographic presence and to provide our large installed base on the West Coast with direct local support.

''The West Coast has traditionally been strongly receptive to systems using Pick- and Pick/UNIX-based software. The TAC expansion also fulfills a basic concept of our business strategy: to offer the finest in software, service and total systems.''

The New Jersey TAC is an operation of Ultimate's $70 million North American Customer Service Division, which employs approximately 150 people and is widely considered one of the best customer-support operations of its kind with a primary objective to maintain the highest customer satisfaction.

Jack Smith, senior vice president of Ultimate's North American Customer Service Division, stated: ''The opening of the West Coast TAC is a continuation of our commitment to provide regional local support to our customers. Earlier this year Ultimate added a staff of regional customer support managers, geographically located across the United States and Canada.

''The Irvine office will provide direct local support for one of the nation's largest installed bases of Pick systems. We expect to see strong growth in our service operations in the West. We also expect our staffing of this new operation to grow steadily as we expand our customer base.''

Insan A. Farooqi, director of technical operations, said: ''The Irvine TAC will be part of Ultimate's sophisticated telecommunications network support system which will soon add the company's Canadian customers. The network makes all TAC's resources available to handle all calls, regardless of location, while providing the customer the ability to receive more local support if necessary.''

O'Donnell added that veteran TAC manager Ken Rotepel will head up the Irvine TAC. All customers will continue to call Ultimate's central service center at 800/827-ULTI for support, and West Coast customers requiring direct local support will then be routed immediately to the Irvine TAC. The Irvine office is located at 1063 McGaw Ave., Irvine, Calif. 92714.

Ultimate provides business solutions to companies of all sizes by integrating system-level software and applications software on hardware platforms from premier computer vendors such as Bull HN, Hewlett-Packard, IBM and Sequoia Systems.

The firm also provides education, training, consulting and field-maintenance services to customers across a wide range of vertical markets. In addition to its North American operations, Ultimate has subsidiaries in the United Kingdom France and Australia.

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IRVINE, CALIF. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Chris Tiller & Associates, a security consulting firm located in Ottawa, Canada, recently tested the ID-1 (a fingerprint comparison device).

The results from this test were extremely favorable.

Chris Tiller, president of the firm, is a 31 year veteran of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. While at the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Tiller served as chief of the Identification Bureau and is also recognized as a world renowned fingerprint expert.

Tiller was surprised at the results of the test. ''While the system cannot create miracles, if the rules are followed it is amazingly accurate. Indeed in some cases it seemed to be able to ignore poor quality prints and still make the right decision.''

He futhermore estimates that, ''over the next five years the Canadian market would require somewhere in the area of 500 units. You should be able to multiply that number by 10 to gauge the U.S. market.''

Comparator Systems Corp. manufactures a patented fingerprint comparison device used for the verification of a person's identity.

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FORT LEE, NJ (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - On-Line Software International Inc. Tuesday announced the appointment of J. Monty Riffer to the position of vice president, sales.

Riffer brings 12 years of sales management experience to the company.

Prior to joining On-Line Software, Riffer was area director of the Mainframe Division at Pansophic Systems Inc. where he was responsible for a $3 million increase in sales during a period of a year and a half.

Riffer was also director of sales for the Midrange Division and manager of Education Systems at Pansophic. Riffer holds a bachelors and a masters degree from Southern Illinois University and has also held management positions at Polaroid Corp.

Regarding his appointment, Riffer stated, ''My mission at On-Line Software is to direct the sales operation in understanding how best to meet the challenges of software sales in the nineties. On-Line Software will be focusing on increased professionalism and revenue productivity.''

Riffer replaces Robert Fuire who previously headed On-Line Software's telesales operation. Fuire resigned in September to pursue other career opportunities.

On-Line Software International Inc. is a NYSE listed company (OSI) headquartered in Fort Lee. The 21 year-old firm combines consulting and

educational services with CICS, DB2, CASE, and End User DBMS and development software products that enhance the productivity of IBM computer systems users.

As a Charter Vendor Member of the International DB2 Users Group and a Founding Member of R/AD, the International User Group for Repository and AD/Cycle, On-Line Software supports the IBM user community. With 16 domestic and international offices, On-Line Software's distribution network services over 30 countries.

The company is an IBM Business Partner that has products and professional services utilized by all Fortune 100 IBM mainframe sites.

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DENVER (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Hallador Petroleum Co. announced a net loss of $236,000 on revenue of $1,767,000 for the third quarter of 1990.

For the corresponding period in 1989, Hallador's predecessor entity posted net income of $355,000 on revenue of $518,000. Although revenue increased substantially in the 1990 quarter, increased expenses associated with previously announced changes in the company's management and with the properties, staff and office facilities acquired in the 1989 merger led to the loss.

The third quarter loss was less than the $512,000 loss reported for the previous quarter, reflecting higher crude oil prices and reduced general and administrative expenses. Revenue and total costs and expenses during the quarter increased by approximately $570,000 and $470,000 respectively, as a result of the South Cuyama acquisition previously disclosed.

In October the company and First Bank National Association of Minneapolis amended the company's credit agreement, thereby waiving existing defaults and requiring the company to pay First Bank $1.5 million on or before Dec. 30, 1990.

Furthermore quarterly principal payments of $250,000 are required during 1991 and three quarterly principal payments of $175,000 are required during 1992. The loan matures on Dec. 31, 1992. The company is currently exploring various alternatives for raising the necessary capital.

The company plans to effect a reverse stock split prior to the end of the year. This action is intended to reduce the total number of shareholders, to achieve a more desireable trading range for the price of the company's stock

and to meet minimum share price levels anticipated to be required by the NASD. A special meeting of shareholders is planned for Dec. 21, 1990, to vote on the matter.

Hallador is an independent oil and gas production company based in Denver. The company's stock trades on the NASDAQ System under the symbol HPET.

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WOBURN, MA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Easel Corp. (NASDAQ:EASL) Tuesday announced business partnerships with three European software firms, expanding the company's international distributor network to France, the Netherlands, and Italy.

Easel's new distributors include: Intelligent Systems of Paris; CST Automatisering, of Hoofddorp, Netherlands; and Praxis Calcolo spa of Milan, Italy. Each company will have exclusive rights to market, sell, and support Easel Corp.'s entire product line of EASEL(R) graphical application software development tools in their respective countries.

R. Douglas Kahn, president and chief executive officer of Easel Corp., said, ''Growing our business throughout Europe is an important element of our company's strategy. These three new partnerships, combined with existing distributor relationships in the United Kingdom and Scandinavia, will help us to substantially build our presence in Europe.''

Steve Schlesinger, manager, international operations at Easel, added, ''These three companies are valuable new partners for Easel because of the strong emphasis they place on customer service and satisfaction. We will continue to pursue other similar alliances throughout Europe and anticipate forming business partnerships in Germany and Spain in the near future.''

Intelligent Systems is focused on software product distribution and services and represents several U.S.-based software companies in the French marketplace. The firm was founded in 1986.

CST Automatisering was founded in 1984 and became a wholly owned subsidiary of Bouwfonds Informatica in 1990. The company offers communications software products and consulting services focused on complex communication environments between host computers and workstations.

Praxis Calcolo spa develops, markets and supports mainframe and workstation software products. The company was founded in 1963 and employs approximately 125 people.

Easel Corp. is a leader in the fast-growing market for graphical application software development tools. The company's technology allows programmers to create personal workstation-based applications, which feature graphical user interfaces and integrate with new and existing host-computer resources.

EASEL is a registered trademark of Easel Corp.

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COSTA MESA, CA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Cimco Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CIMC) Tuesday announced new highs for second quarter sales and income for the fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

For the three-month period, Cimco's net earnings rose 201 percent to $875,241, or 29 cents per share, from $290,812, or 10 cents per share, in the corresponding year-earlier quarter. Sales for the quarter were $16,356,097, up 13.4 percent, from $14,422,769 a year ago.

For the first half of the current fiscal year, net earnings advanced 477 percent to $1,251,049, or 41 cents per share, from $216,807, or 7 cents per share, in the first half of fiscal 1990. Sales for the six months equaled $30,845,813, a 19.8 percent increase over the $25,753,129 registered in the first half of last fiscal year.

Russell T. Gilbert, president and chief executive officer, attributed the improvement in income to: increased utilization of all six manufacturing plants; profit contributions from both the custom molding plant in Corona, Calif., and the material compounding plant in Charlotte, N.C.; and improvements in manufacturing efficiency and productivity as the company began to realize the benefits of its extensive ''Total Quality Management'' (TQM) training program.

Sales for the quarter were up because of substantial growth in custom molding sales to a prominent Pacific Rim customer and to a large computer manufacturer while sales to Cimco's major customer remained strong.

In addition, the medical molded components division has experienced significant growth, primarily because of the increase in sales to a leading international pharmaceuticals manufacturer and a new customer that is a Fortune 100 healthcare products company.

Gilbert added: ''While we are acutely aware of the current softness in the U.S. economy, we are nevertheless determined to vigorously pursue further sales growth and customer diversification through our expanded and aggressive marketing organizations.

Founded in 1959, Cimco, a major manufacturer of high-precision thermoplastic custom and proprietary products, and supplier of custom polymeric compounds, serves more than 100 original equipment manufacturers in the electronics, computer, transportation, health care and defense industries.

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BURBANK, CA. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Matthews Studio Equipment Group (NASDAQ Symbol: MATT) Tuesday announced that it has formed a new subsidiary, Matthews Medical Equipment Inc., to serve the worldwide home health care market.

Formation of the new subsidiary follows a successful eight month feasibility study.

Matthews Medical Equipment Inc., will design, manufacture and distribute a line of portable infusion equipment and accessories. The new subsidiary's first product of many being developed is a foldable Porta-Pole on casters that was exhibited and well received at the National Home Health Care Exposition held recently in Atlanta, the company noted.

Commenting on the formation of the new subsidiary, Matthews chief executive officers, Carlos De Mattos and Edward Phillips stated, ''The company is confident that it has the ability to diversify its research, design, development, fabrication and marketing to establish additional applications for its unique, quality stands and mounting equipment in lucrative new markets such as the medical and industrial fields.''

As Matthews Studio Equipment Group enters its third decade, it is the preeminent provider of services to the worldwide motion picture, television and media production industries by supplying the professional equipment, accessories, supplies and other basic tools of the trade required in film, television, commercials, professional photography and theatrical productions.

These services are provided through Matthews' manufacturing and rental ''one

stop shop'' facilities.

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ACTON, MASS. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - CML Group Inc. (NYSE:CML), a leading direct marketer of life-style products, Tuesday reported total sales for fiscal 1991's first quarter of $72,257,000, compared to $53,853,000 in the year-ago quarter.

Income before an extraordinary item for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was $2,911,000, or 43 cents per share, on a fully diluted basis, vs. $2,301,000, or 35 cents per share, in fiscal 1990's opening quarter. Net income reflecting the utilization of tax loss carryforward was $4,560,000, or 67 cents per share on a fully diluted basis, vs. $3,516,000, or 50 cents per share, a year ago.

According to Charles M. Leighton, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, results were better than expected. The results of both Britches of Georgetowne and The Nature Co. were on plan, while NordicTrack's results exceeded expectations.

Leighton said, ''We believe that NordicTrack's better-than-expected sales are the result of an increased use of television in the media mix and the introduction of new products.'' Leighton added that the strong first-quarter results put CML well on its way to achieving a higher second quarter and the $2.40-$2.50 earnings per share previously forecasted for fiscal 1991. That would represent an increase of 20 percent to 25 percent over the prior year's results.

CML Group's products are sold under the tradenames NordicTrack, The Nature Co. and Britches of Georgetowne.

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WESTFORD, MA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation and Gensym Corporation today announced the availability of Gensym's G2 Real-Time Expert Systems on Concurrent's 6000 series Real-Time UNIX computer systems. The Gensym products, available through Concurrent's Third Party Marketing Program, will be sold by Gensym's sales organization.

Gensym's Real-Time Expert System products include their base product G2, designed for large, real-time applications where thousands of variables are monitored concurrently; G2 Standard Interface Bridges to real-time data from databases, control systems, and other external sources; and GSPAN, a customizable, external simulator interface between G2 and external simulators.

"Concurrent is pleased to have Gensym join our Third Party Marketing Program. The recently completed port of Gensym's G2 products to Concurrent's 6000 series computer systems allows the successful development of expert system applications for one of Concurrent's largest customers, NASA's Johnson Space Center. We look forward to a long-term relationship with Gensym,." said Pam LaBove, third party marketing manager at Concurrent.

"With G2, space shuttle flight controllers are building their own expert systems to monitor space shuttle flights and simulations. These expert systems represent a cost-effective quality improvement in manned space flight operations and an enabling technology for Space Station Freedom," added Troy Heindel, project manager, real time data systems, NASA mission operations directorate.

Founded in 1986 and based in Cambridge, Mass., Gensym Corporation is the leading supplier of real-time expert system products for on-line commercial, industrial and scientific applications.

The company's real-time expert system, G2, is currently installed worldwide at more than 500 customer sites in a range of applications, including process monitoring and control, manufacturing, network management, robotics, and other real-time, on-line tasks.

Concurrent Computer Corporation, headquartered in Tinton Falls, New Jersey, is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide.

The company's products, marketed through the Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems Groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. and IBM Tuesday announced their jointly developed network management specifications are immediately available for industry-wide review, bolstering industry efforts to provide interoperability among different computing systems.

Interoperability is a key requirement in today's business computing environments, where equipment from different manufacturers must work together and be managed efficiently.

Publication of the IBM-3Com draft Heterogeneous LAN Management specifications follows preliminary evaluation by technical teams of four leading computer software companies: Banyan Systems, Microsoft Corp., Novell Inc. and The Santa Cruz Operation.

The Heterogeneous LAN Management specifications provide the underlying structure for developing management products that function with a variety of network operating systems. They also support several interfaces for communication between the operating system and network adapters, and function regardless of the cabling media used to connect devices on the network.

The draft Heterogeneous LAN Management specifications are available without charge from IBM and 3Com. Interested parties may obtain the specifications by calling 3Com Corp. at 408/764-5161. They are also available by writing 3Com Corp., Attn: Jim Healey, 5400 Bayfront Plaza, Santa Clara, Calif. 95052 or by writing IBM Corp., P.O. Box 12195, Department C13, Building 002, Research Triangle Park, N.C. 27709.

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HORSHAM, PA. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanta Corp. (NASDAQ:ADVN) announced Tuesday that its board of directors has declared a fourth-quarter 1990 dividend of 3 cents per common share.

The dividend will be payable to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 7 and will be paid on Dec. 18.

Dennis Alter, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''We recently announced record year-to-date earnings through the third quarter and expect record earnings for the full year as well. Paying regular quarterly dividends is one way we share the benefits of our success with our shareholders while at

the same time showing our confidence in the future.''

Advanta Corp., a financial services boutique, serviced assets in excess of $2.3 billion at Sept. 30. Through its subsidiaries, the company markets credit cards, home equity loans, equipment leases and deposit products to consumers nationwide.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Breakwater Resources Ltd. reports earnings of $6,543,000, or 10 cents per share during the first nine months of 1990, compared with $13,859,000, or 22 cents per share for the like period of 1989.

Revenue for the period was $51,785,000 compared to $61,120,000 in the same period last year. The reduction in earnings is for the most part a reflection of decreasing metal prices and deteriorating world economic conditions.

The Decision to Focus on Zinc

Breakwater's entry into the zinc metal business has been ambitious and aggressive. We have chosen to focus on zinc because of its unique market position, with few well-entrenched producers. The metal has important and growing usage, and there are few inexpensive substitutes for it.

Current worldwide inventories are also at a low level. Strategically it was determined that the company should strive to become an integrated producer of zinc.

The longer term outlook for zinc prices is strong, especially when eastern European and Soviet countries experience economic recovery and begin modernization of their physical plants. In the near term, however, zinc prices have decreased substantially from their previous high levels in response to the widespread economic slowdown.

Strategic Acquisition and Development Plans

On March 15, 1990, when Breakwater acquired the El Mochito Mine by amalgamating with American Pacific Mining Co. Inc., we also acquired a metal trading company and a partially developed feasibility study and financial plan to construct a zinc smelter in a strategic location in the middle east which enjoys low energy costs.

Prior to its amalgamation with American Pacific, the company as part of its

strategic plan was already starting to focus on zinc by bringing the Estrades Mine into production and by managing and investing in the Caribou Mine. In addition, we have, with Corona Corporation, been carrying on discussions with Conroy Petroleum and Natural Resources P.l.c., the holder of a significant zinc deposit in Ireland.

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FAIRFIELD, N.J. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Daltex Medical Sciences, Inc. (NASDAQ:DLTX) Tuesday announced that its proposed acquisition of the business and substantially all the assets of Safeskin Corp., a privately-held manufacturer and distributor of latex surgical and examination gloves, has been delayed due to further evaluation of certain accounting and financial matters.

Upon the resolution of these matters, Daltex will as expeditiously as possible solicit proxies for the approval of the transaction from Daltex shareholders.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Stephen E. Dowd has been named assistant controller, corporate accounting, of ASARCO Incorporated, it was announced Tuesday by Ronald J. O'Keefe, controller.

Dowd joins Asarco from the international accounting, tax and consulting firm of Ernst & Young where he began his career in 1976 in New York City. Following his promotion to senior accountant, he transferred in 1980 to the company's White Plains, N.Y., office where he was ultimately promoted to the position of senior audit manager.

A native of New York City, Dowd attended City College of New York and received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Baruch College. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New York State Society of Public Accountants and has served on the executive board of the latter group's Westchester Chapter. He also has been a board member of New York University's Management Decision Laboratory.

Dowd is married to the former Maryanne T. Ryan of Bronx, N.Y. They are the parents of a daughter and reside in Pleasantville, N.Y. ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Skyline Chili has improved its popular product making it lower in both fat and cholesterol without changing the taste company president William G. Kagler announced Tuesday.

Total fat has been reduced 16 percent and saturated fat has been reduced 57 percent. Cholesterol has been reduced 48 percent.

''Americans are more and more concerned about their health,'' said Kagler. ''We wanted to give Skyline Chili eaters a healthier chili with less fat and cholesterol,'' Kagler said.

In actual numbers, total fat has been reduced from 22 grams per eight ounce serving to 18 grams; saturated fat has been reduced from 12 grams per eight ounce serving to 5 grams; and cholesterol has been reduced from 38 milligrams per eight ounce serving to 20 milligrams. Since there were no changes in the kinds of spices used, the chili still tastes the same, Kagler said. Nonetheless, Skyline tested it to make sure there was no taste change.

''We tested some regular customers and conducted other blind taste tests. No one indicated that the taste was different,'' Kagler said.

Kagler said the specific changes in the chili came in the area of the beef used in its making.

The healthier chili is being served now in Cincinnati-area Skyline Chili parlors. Restaurants in Columbus, Dayton and Indianapolis will receive the chili in mid-December. The improved chili will be available in regional grocery stores probably in mid-January, Kagler said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Richard S. Rhoades has been named to the position of assistant to the vice president, mining, of ASARCO Incorporated, it was announced Tuesday by Robert J. Kupsch, vice president of mining.

Rhoades, 35, had been planning engineer of the company's Mission Unit in Arizona. He joined Asarco as a mining engineer in 1977. In 1979, he was appointed pit supervisor and in 1981, became senior pit supervisor.

A native of Ajo, Ariz., Rhoades received a Bachelor of Science degree in mining engineering from the University of Arizona. He is a member of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers.

Rhoades and his wife, the former Rosa Celaya of Tucson, Arizona, are the parents of one son. They reside in Summit, N.J.

ASARCO Inc., headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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KNOXVILLE, TENN. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Proffitt's Inc. (NASDAQ:PRFT) announced Tuesday that its Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, R. Brad Martin, has acquired an additional 363,535 shares of Proffitt's Inc. common stock in a private market transaction.

The purchase price was $5.25 per share or an aggregate investment of $1,908,560. This purchase brings Martin's total holdings in Proffitt's common stock to 1,097,999 shares, or 29 percent, of the company's ownership.

Martin commented, ''Through the outstanding efforts of our 2,000 associates, we continue to generate strong operating results and provide extraordinary customer service, and I am pleased to have the opportunity to increase my investment in our company.''

Proffitt's operates 11 specialty department stores in Tennessee, North Carolina and Georgia. The company's shares are traded on the NASDAQ over-the-counter national market system under the symbol PRFT.

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PHOENIX (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Zila Inc. (NASDAQ:ZILA) Tuesday reported record F.Y. 1991 first quarter (October 31) sales of more than one million dollars and net income exceeding that for the entire prior fiscal year.

Zila also announced the start of its first national consumer advertising campaign.

Zila, marketer of patented non-prescription oral health care products, reported for the quarter ending October 31, net sales of $1,035,961, up from $908,772 the previous year. FY 1991 first quarter net income of $132,343 was 64 percent greater than FY 1990 first quarter net income of $80,589, and was $2,643 greater than net income for all of FY 1990.

Zila has no long term debt and a strong cash position.

Zila President Joseph Hines attributed the company's sales and profit gains to expanding national sales of non-prescription Zilactin, for canker sores, cold sores and fever blisters; ZilaBrace, for cuts and abrasions caused by orthodonture and other dental appliances; ZilaDent, for the painful gum sores caused by dentures; and new liquid Zilactol, for cold sores and fever blisters which began distribution in the final days of the first quarter.

Initial orders for new Zilactol and strong professional interest among dentists, pharmacists and retailers point to widespread consumer appeal and substantial new sales growth.

The new Zilactin ''Handi-Pak'' will go into distribution to convenience and sundries stores in mid-December. Bausch and Lomb Inc., is scheduled to begin marketing Zilactin in Canada the first week in December. Both will contribute revenue in the second quarter.

Zila also announced the start of its first major consumer advertising campaign. The company has contracted the radio personality Larry King for an extended series of nightly ads for Zila products on the popular ''Larry King Show.''

The ads began airing November 19. The ''Larry King Show'' is carried on the Mutual Broadcasting System, Sunday-Friday, and has a nightly audience of more than 3.5 million nationwide.

More than 30 firms make a market in Zila stock. The company has executive offices at 777 East Thomas Road, Phoenix, 85014-5454, 602/957-7887.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The company announces the highest second quarter revenues and earnings in its history.

American Software's (NASDAQ:AMSWA) revenues for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 were $26,445,000, up 26 percent from $20,915,000 the same period last fiscal year. Second quarter operating earnings increased 43 percent to $6,304,000 from $4,440,000 a year ago.

Net earnings for the second quarter increased 26 percent to $4,540,000 from $3,607,000 a year ago. Fiscal 1991 second quarter earnings per share were 20 cents, up from 16 cents per share on 23,127,313 and 22,671,219 weighted average shares outstanding, respectively.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, revenues increased 19 percent to $48,793,000, up from $41,030,000 for the corresponding period last year. Net earnings for the six months ending Oct. 31 were $8,419,000 compared to $7,482,000 for the same period last year, a 13 percent increase.

Earnings per share for the six-month period were 36 cents compared to 33 cents last year on 23,254,233 and 22,641,587 shares outstanding, respectively.

American Software, headquartered in Atlanta, develops, markets and supports business application software for a wide range of end-users, including manufacturing companies, public utilities, financial institutions, healthcare facilities and distribution concerns.

AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC.
Selected Financial Information

	For the Second Quarter Ended Oct. 31,		For the Six Months Ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
	(In Thousands)		(In Thousands)	
Revenues	$ 26,445	$ 20,915	$ 48,793	$ 41,030
Operating Earnings	6,304	4,400	10,965	9,356
Earnings Before Income Taxes	7,022	5,507	12,936	11,657
Income Taxes	2,482	1,900	4,517	4,175
Net Earnings	$ 4,540	$ 3,607	$ 8,419	$ 7,482

Earnings Per Share	20 cents	16 cents	36 cents	33 cents
Weighted Average Shares Oustanding	23,127	22,671	23,254	22,642

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Neal L. Miller, 404/261-4381

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BRIDGEPORT, CONN. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Connecticut Energy Corp. (NYSE:CNE) Tuesday declared a quarterly dividend of $.3075 per share on its common stock, payable Dec. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 7, 1990.

This is the company's 324th consecutive quarterly dividend. The indicated annual rate is $1.23.

The board of directors also declared a quarterly dividend for holders of preferred stock issued by the company's principal subsidiary, The Southern Connecticut Gas Co. A dividend of $1.1875 per share will be paid on the remaining 4.75 percent issue.

Connecticut Energy Corp. is a utility and energy holding company. Its principle subsidiary provides natural gas service on over 151,000 customers in 22 towns in Fairfield, New Haven and Middlesex counties.

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Judith Falango, 203/382-8156

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation announced Tuesday that it is no longer seeking buyers for Datastream International and Interactive Data, leading providers of historical investment information and related services.

The company said that current conditions in financial markets worldwide were among the reasons for its decision. Datastream International, headquartered in London, England, provides online investment information, research and portfolio accounting services worldwide on international securities.

Interactive Data, headquartered in Lexington, Mass., provides securities-related information, software and systems to the U.S. investment community.

During 1990, Dun & Bradstreet announced that it would attempt to sell Datastream and Interactive Data, as well as Petroleum Information, Neodata Services, Zytron, Donnelley Marketing (excluding Donnelley Marketing Information Services) and the Communications Division of IMS International.

To date, Zytron, Neodata Services and Petroleum Information have been sold. The company is in discussions with potential buyers of Donnelley Marketing and IMS' Communications Division.

In 1989, Datastream and Interactive Data had combined revenue of $155 million. Datastream was acquired by D&B in June 1984 for $102 million. Interactive Data was acquired in March 1988 for $140 million. The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation is the world's largest marketer of business information and related services, with worldwide operating revenue of $4.3 billion in 1989.

CONTACT: The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation, New York, Reid H. Gearhart, (212) 593-6727.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Shorewood Packaging Corp. (NASDAQ:SHOR) Tuesday announced revenues and earnings for the second quarter ended Oct. 27.

Revenues for the second quarter ended Oct. 27, were $35,822,000 as compared to $37,775,000 in the corresponding period for fiscal 1991. Revenues for the 26 week period ended Oct. 27, were $69,116,000 as compared to $70,517,000 in the corresponding prior period.

Net earnings for the current 13 week period amounted to $3,577,000 as compared to net earnings of $5,121,000 for the corresponding period in the previous year. On a per share basis, net earnings for the current quarter was 19 cents as compared to 26 cents for the corresponding prior period. Net earnings for the 26 week period ending Oct. 27, were $6,263,000 (32 cents per share), as compared to net earnings of $9,002,000 (46 cents per share) for the corresponding prior period.

Net earnings for the 13 and 26 week periods ended Oct. 28, 1989 included a $300,000 charge relating to the discontinuation of operations at the company's music packaging subsidiary in the United Kingdom.

''Our revenues and earnings for the company's fiscal 1991 second quarter have been effected by the current economic conditions both in the United States and Canada,'' stated Paul B. Shore, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer. ''We also believe that the normal seasonal growth in the home entertainment area did not occur in the current fiscal quarter due to the continuing lack of new releases by major recording artists,'' Shore stated.

''It is significant to note that the company's gross margins substantially improved in the second fiscal quarter as compared to the first quarter of fiscal 1991 due to increased operating and production efficiencies which the company was able to implement during the current period. Barring a dramatic change in the current state of the economy, we anticipate this positive trend to continue.''

Shorewood Packaging Corp. and its subsidiaries print and manufacture high quality paperboard packaging for such industries as music, home video, food, tobacco, film, cosmetics and toiletries. The company's executive offices are in New York City, with manufacturing and sales operations in New York, Georgia Alabama, Virginia, Illinois, California, Canada and England.

CONTACT: Shorewood Packaging Corp., New York
Murray B. Frischer, 212/371-1500

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Tuesday announced a four-cent decrease in the domestic spot selling price of electrolytic copper.

Its new price, which is effective immediately, is $1.20 per pound for cathodes on a delivered basis.

CONTACT: ASARCO Incorporated, New York
Gerard F. Corbett, 212/510-1810

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RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NC (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson GE Mobile Communications Inc. has opened a new Research and Development Center in Research Triangle Park (RTP).

At the new center, American and Swedish engineers will work together to develop digital cellular technology, the latest step in the rapidly expanding mobile telecommunications.

Presently there are over 55 employees at the new center, a figure that will continue to grow over the next several years. In staffing, the center took advantage of the skills available at the joint venture locations in Lynchburg, Va., in Richardson, Texas and in Sweden. However, 85 percent of the newly hired employees came from the industry, including many from the local RTP area.

Dr. Nils Rydbeck is heading the new American Center. He also will continue to run Ericsson's Research and Development Center in Lund, Sweden, a job he has

held for the past nine years.

Rydbeck explained that Ericsson GE joint venture will be able to share resources at the Swedish and American facilities, making for a truly international operation.

''We will have an exchange program between the two Centers, which will give all involved the opportunity to work in an international atmosphere,'' said Dr. Rydbeck. Local employees are slated to go to Sweden for six to eight months to familiarize and contribute to software and system design integration. Swedish technicans are presently working at the RTP Center with more expected to follow.

Ericsson GE Mobile Communications Inc. is a global leader in cellular systems and telephones. To increase customer demand and capture additional market share, its new R&D Center will develop and commercialize digital cellular telephones and base stations for the North American market.

Digital technology improves spectrum utilization and efficiency. Digital systems allow more channels to be used, thus more calls can be made simultaneously than with the current analog technology.

Ericsson GE Mobile Communications Inc., headquartered in Paramus, N.J., is owned 60 percent by Ericsson and 40 percent by GE. It currently has 5,000 employees worldwide and produces cellular telephones, land mobile radio products and systems, and ''Mobitex'' mobile data communications systems for international markets.

Ericsson GE Mobile Communications Inc. also serves the North American market for cellular telephone systems.

CONTACT: Ericsson Corp., New York
Kathy Egan, 212/685-4030.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Frisch's Restaurants Inc. (AMEX:FRS) has declared a 6 cent per share quarterly dividend payable Jan. 10, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 31.

This will be the 120th consecutive quarterly dividend payable by Frisch's.

CONTACT: Frisch's Restaurants Inc., Cincinnati
Louis J. Ullman, 513/559-5208

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BOSTON (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - As part of its plan of disposition of assets and liquidation, Americana Hotels and Realty Corp. (NYSE--AHR) (''AHRC'') Tuesday announced the payment of a second liquidating distribution of $3.50 per share, payable on Dec. 14, 1990 to stockholders of record Dec. 7, 1990.

George H. Bigelow, president of the corporation, stated that ''the total dividend of $18,623,828 is comprised of net proceeds of approximately $12 million from the sale of the corporation's interest in the Grosvenor Resort in Lake Buena Vista, Fla., which represents a gain of approximately $5 million on the corporation's original investment in the property, together with cash on hand.''

He also noted that ''with this distribution the corporation will have made total distributions of $11.50 per share under the plan of liquidation.'' As with its $8 per share cash distribution in 1989, Bigelow stated that ''for tax purposes, this distribution is also a return of capital.''

The corporation also announced earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $393,000 or 7 cents per share compared to earnings of $184,000 or 3 cents per share for the comparable quarter in 1989. Earnings for the first nine months of 1990 were $1,142,000 or 20 cents per share compared to losses for the first nine months of 1989 or $1,252,000 or 21 cents per share.

As a result of the substantial changes in the corporation's assets under the plan of disposition of assets and liquidation and the settlement of the class action lawsuit in 1989, the more favorable results of operations for 1990 are not directly comparable to 1989.

Bigelow noted that the investment portfolio now consists of equities in three hotel properties and two short-term purchase money mortgages, and that discussions with potential purchasers and for the repayment of the loans are ongoing.

Americana Hotels and Realty Corp. is a real estate investment trust which is currently operating under a Plan of Disposition of Assets and Liquidation approved by Stockholders in June of 1988. Its shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Americana Hotels and Realty Corp., Boston, Morris W. Kellogg, 617/247-3358

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TOLEDO, OHIO (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - AP Industries Inc., a debtor-in-possession under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, announced

Tuesday that it filed a proposed Chapter 11 plan of liquidation in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District New York.

The plan provides, among other things, for a cash distribution to holders of $88 million principal amount of Industries' subordinated debentures of approximately 18-1/2 percent of the principal amount of such debentures. Such distribution is to be made from cash on hand and cash proceeds of a sale pursuant to the plan of substantially all of the assets of Industries to a purchaser group comprised primarily of affiliates of the directors of Industries and a holder of approximately $17 million principal amount of subordinated debentures.

The purchase by such entities is contingent upon confirmation of Industries' plan as well as certain financing and other contingencies. The details of the asset sale and the proposed plan will be set forth in a disclosure statement as approved by the Bankruptcy Court.

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WESTBORO, MASS. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Data General Corp. announced Tuesday that it can now offer complete service to customers using Sun Microsystems equipment and peripherals.

The offering is Data General's first move into the business of servicing non-Data General workstations, servers and PCs in multi-vendor network environments.

''Data General has provided service on peripheral equipment it doesn't market, like printers and disk drives, for almost three years,'' commented Norm Hodge, Data General manager of the Compatible Products Business Unit. ''However, our ability to service complete systems such as Sun products is a new differentiator for our sales force, compared to other equipment manufacturers, as Data General aggressively enters the open systems market.''

Data General's Sun Microsystem service offering includes same-day four hour response and next day response options. The service is mainly based on an agreement between Data General and Apex Computer. Located in Redmond, Wash., Apex is the leader in fourth party service for Sun Microsystem's equipment.

The company is training Data General field engineers, providing spare parts inventory repair, and offering additional backup services to Data General technical staff.

Data General is delivering the Sun Microsystems service program in 14 metropolitan areas with plans to expand nationwide in six months. Initial Data

General service centers for Sun support are located in: Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, New York city, Orlando, Philadelphia, St. Louis, San Francisco, Seattle, and Washington, D.C.

Data General service pricing depends on a customer's equipment configuration. For additional information, contact 1-800-DATAGEN.

Data General, a Fortune 500 company based in Westboro, Mass., is a leading supplier of general purpose computer and communication systems worldwide.

CONTACT: Data General Corp., Westboro, Daniel Williams, 508/898-4083

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The High Yield Income Fund Inc. November 1990 Monthly Update.

Distribution Information:

Amount	Payable Date	Record Date	Declaration Date
$.080	Dec. 14, 1990	Nov. 26, 1990	Nov. 15, 1990

Investment Adviser Commentary:

- High Yield bond prices slumped again during October as the threat of a recession and the fear of increasing defaults persist. In addition, high yield mutual funds continue to see net redemptions and the Resolution Trust Corp. continues to liquidate its portfolio. As a result, there are many sellers but few buyers ready to step forward in such an environment.

- As the market drifts downward, yield spreads have climbed to historically high levels. Donaldson Lufkin Jenrette reported that its ''Active Issues Index'' widened to a spread of over 1200 basis points over Treasuries in October, an all-time record.

- On the positive side, many companies' earnings have been reasonably strong in spite of the sluggish economy. Therefore, the Adviser continues to feel that the high yield market has sold off far more sharply than economic fundamentals warrant.

However, as the market absorbs the liquidation of the Resolution Trust portfolio and quantifies the impact of proposed insurance company legislation over the next several quarters, there may be continued volatility. But at today's sharply discounted levels, the high yield market offers an extremely attractive current yield and the possibility of substantial capital gains to patient investors.

The High Yield Income Fund Inc. is a closed-end management investment company

whose primary investment objective is to maximize current income to shareholders.

The Fund will attempt to achieve this objective primarily through investment in a diversified portfolio of high-yield, fixed-income securities. The Fund's Manager is Prudential Mutual Fund Management Inc. and investment advisory services are provided by The Prudential Investment Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Prudential Insurance Company of America. Additional information on the Fund's assets and performance is contained in the Annual Report for the period ended Aug. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: The High Yield Income Fund, New York
212/214-3334

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ATLANTA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Telecommunications Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ATEL), has become the first interexchange carrier to sign a letter of intent with South Central Bell Telephone Co. and Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co. to interconnct with their Line Information Database (LIDB).

The agreement will provide ATC customers with convenience of using their South Central Bell and Southern Bell Calling Cards for operator-assisted and calling card long distance services.

ATC Long Distance, one of the nation's largest regional long distance telephone companies, will interconnect with BellSouth's LIDB service after the appropriate tariffs have been filed and approved. This service will represent the first interconnection of an interexchange carrier to BellSouth's common channel signaling system seven (SS7) architecture for LIDB.

With deployment of common channel signaling in the network, BellSouth will be positioned to offer other advanced services to customers.

In addition, South Central Bell and ATC Long Distance have agreed to provide an intrastate Combined 800 service, as well as an intrastate Combined OutWATS service. Southern Bell and ATC are currently providing a combined WATs service in Florida. South Central Bell and Southern Bell transport the intraLATA calls, and ATC Long Distance will transport the interLATA calls.

The intrastate Combined 800 Service is expected to utilize a database that will allow 800-number portability. Under this arrangement, customers who subscribe to the Combined 800 service will receive a new 800 number that will enable them to change participating long-distance carriers without a change of 800 number.

The provision of this service will begin when South Central Bell has filed and

received approval of appropriate tariffs.

Atlanta-based ATC serves more than 300,000 business and residential customers in eight southern states. ATC operates a nationwide digital fiber optic network providing a full range of telecommunications services including 1 + dialing, WATS, inbound 800 services, international calling, video teleconferencing, operator services, calling card, and private channel services capable of voice, video and data transmission.

ATC also offers voice mail and voice messaging services through ATC MessageCentre. The company's stock is traded on the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol ATEL.

BellSouth is an Atlanta-based international telecommunications holding company. Its susidiaries offer local telephone service in nine Southeastern states and mobile communications service worldwide, provide advertising and publishing services, and market and maintain stand-alone and fully intergrated communications systems.

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or
Southern Bell
Bob Morrow, 404/529-8169
or
Advanced Telecommunications Corp.
Eileen Mullen, 404/261-5885

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ROCKAWAY, NJ (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - RTI Inc. (NASDAQ: RTII), Tuesday reported net income of $379,000, or 6 cents per share, for the first nine months of fiscal 1990 ended Sept. 30, compared with a net loss of $371,000, or 6 cents per share in the comparable 1989 period.

There were 6,599,519 shares outstanding in both periods.

Revenues for the nine months were up 16 percent to $2,695,000 compared with $2,325,000 in the comparable period.

For the third quarter fiscal 1990, RTI Inc. reported net income of $141,000, or 2 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $83,000, or 1 cent per share for the same period in fiscal 1989.

Revenues for the quarter were down 3 percent to $846,000 compared with $872,000 for the quarter a year earlier.

John N. Scandalios, president and CEO, said, ''We are pleased with our continued progress so far this year and expect to end the year on a positive note. Revenues for the fourth quarter are running ahead of last year which is very positive following a slight decrease in the third quarter of this year.

''Our financial condition is much stronger with working capital of $782,000 on September 30, 1990, as compared wth $431,000 at December 31, 1989. We have generated $244,000 in cash from operating activities as compared to using $172,000 in cash for the same nine month period last year. We also added to our cobalt supply in 1990 to accomodate our increased sales.''

CONTACT: Solakian Associates, Flemington, N.J.
James R. Solakian, 201/782-9665

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WESTBOROUGH, MA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - New England Electric System (NEES) directors Tuesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 51 cents per common share, payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: New England Electric System, Westborough
Linwood B. Stockwell, 508/366-9011 (days)
508/366-8794 (evenings)

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WALTHAM, MA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Reece Corp. (NYSE: RCE) today reported that its board of directors voted to omit the fourth-quarter dividend of $0.05 per common share.

Peter J. Abate, president and chief executive officer, said,

''The board of directors again decided to omit the payment of a dividend given the ongoing losses incurred in the third quarter and throughout the year.''

The Reece Corp. manufactures and distributes specialized machinery for the worldwide apparel industry.

CONTACT: The Reece Corp., Waltham
Donald Blom Jr., 617/894-9220
or
Sharon Merrill Associates, Boston
Maureen Wolff, 617/482-0400

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FREMONT, CA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Sigma Designs Inc. (NASDAQ:SIGM), a leading manufacturer and marketer of high-resolution graphics and display system products for personal computers, had lower sales and earnings for its third fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 Thinh Tran, president, announced Tuesday.

Net sales for the quarter were $8,386,000, compared with $17,248,000 reported a year ago. Net income was $277,000, compared with $1,999,000 for the same period last year. Earnings per share amounted to 5 cents, compared with 32 cents in the prior year.

Net sales for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 were $27,702,000, a 57 percent decline from the $64,221,000 reported a year ago. Net income decreased 80 percent to $1,529,000 from $7,607,000 in the prior year. Earnings per share were 26 cents compared with $1.23 in the year earlier period.

''The loss of a government contract by one of our major customers and the general slow-down in the PC industry continued to depress our sales both in the U.S. and in Europe during the third quarter,'' Tran said.

Tran indicated that, in an effort to bolster its position in the Apple computer market, the company recently introduced the PageView GS and the L-View Multi-Mode, two advanced, low-emission monochrome display systems for Apple Macintosh personal computers.

During the third quarter, Tran noted, Sigma agreed to form a joint venture on an equal ownership basis with Software Plus, a Swedish distributor. The purpose of the venture is to distribute Sigma's PC products in Scandinavian countries.

According to Tran, during the first nine months of fiscal 1991, the company repurchased a total of 770,352 shares of its common stock pursuant to buy-back programs announced in February and May 1990.

Sigma Designs is a leading manufacturer and marketer of graphics products including industry standard graphics boards, high-resolution display systems, video capture boards, and system enhancement products for IBM, IBM compatible and Apple personal computers.

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Binh Trinh, 415/770-0100

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LEBANON, TN (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Cracker Barrel Old Country Store Inc.

(NASDAQ/NMS:CBRL) Tuesday announced that the board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 1-1/4 cents per share.

This represents an indicated annual dividend rate of 5 cents per share. The dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 14, 1990.

Headquartered in Lebanon, Cracker Barrel Old Country Store Inc. operates 95 restaurants located in Tennessee, Georgia, Kentucky, Indiana, South Carolina, Florida, Alabama, North Carolina, Ohio, Virginia, West Virginia and Illinois.

CONTACT: Cracker Barrel Old Country Store Inc., Lebanon
Jimmie D. White, 615/444-5533

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INGLEWOOD, CA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - A committee consisting of a majority of the board of directors of Hollywood Park Operating Co. (NASDAQ:HTRFZ) Tuesday proposed to Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises the sale, in a transaction or series of transactions, of Hollywood Park.

The company stated that the committee has made this proposal to assure stockholders the opportunity to receive the maximum possible value for their shares.

Hollywood Park Race Track is operated by Hollywood Park Operating Co. on land leased on a long-term basis from Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises, a separate corporation whose stock is ''paired'' with the stock of the operating company.

In a letter to the board of directors of Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises, Marjorie L. Everett, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the operating company, asked that the Realty Company join in commencing the sale process immediately.

She stated, ''We are prepared to join with you in appropriate arrangements to assure... our stockholders that such process will proceed without delay.

''In the Committee's view, the companies' stockholders are entitled to this opportunity to obtain the highest possible value for their shares.'' Mrs. Everett's letter follows.

The Hollywood Park Companies' net income for the third quarter ending Sept. 30 1990 increased to $1,360,000 from a loss of ($567,000) for the same period a year ago.

For the first nine months of 1990, the companies had a combined net income of $4,689,000 as compared with a net loss of ($3,761,000) in the prior year.

Dividends were restored this year, increasing from 12.5 cents for the second and third quarters to 15 cents for the fourth quarter. In addition, the company's debt has declined 55 percent to less than $45 million from a highpoint of $100 million.

CONTACT: Sawyer/Miller Group, New York
Charles Perkins, 212/755-1700

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HORSHAM, PA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Frankford Trust Co., a subsidiary of The Frankford Corporation, has announced its name is changing to Frankford Bank, effective immediately.

According to bank officials, the reason for the name change is to clarify understanding of the financial institution's product and service offerings. An awareness study done by the bank in 1986 and again in 1989, indicated that there is some confusion among bank customers and the general public as to the difference between a trust company and a full-service bank.

''The name change to Franford Bank more accurately reflects what we've always been, an independent, full-service banking institution,'' said Leon Layton, president of Frnakford Bank.

None of the bank's customer accounts or competitive rates will be affected by the name change. The change, now in effect, will be incorporated gradually into the company's building signage, advertising and other printed materials.

Frankford Bank is a full-service banking institution with 17 branches throughout Philadelphia, Bucks, Delaware and Montgomery counties. The bank has served the Delaware Valley for over 100 years.

CONTACT: Frankford Bank, Horsham
Michael J. Heine, vice president, 215/956-7014

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ARMONK, NY (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - International Business Machines Corporation announced Tuesday that it is selling more than $300 million worth of State and Local Government Installment Payment Agreement (IPA) contracts via the IBM 1990-1 Tax-Exempt Grantor Trusts.

These contracts are full-payout loans by IBM and made to various state and local government entities for the purchase of IBM equipment.

IBM Credit Corporation will be the servicer for this offering, and the issue is credit enhanced by a surety bond from the Financial Guaranty Company of IBM Credit Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of IBM Credit. The offering was underwritten by The First Boston Corporation.

This issue is rated AAA/Aaa by Standard & Poor's Corporation and Moody's Investors Service Inc., respectively.

IPA contracts are fixed-rate, one- to five-year installment loans, which allow customers the convenience of monthly, quarterly, semiannual or annual payments.

IBM and its subsidiaries will continue to be the sole servicer on these contracts. There will be no changes to the billing and collection process between IBM and its customers. In addition, IBM will continue to offer competitive financing alternatives to its state and local government customers as it has for more than 25 years.

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PLAINVIEW, NY (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - ARX Inc. (NYSE Symbol: ARX) reported Tuesday that it had reached an interim accord with its lenders under its $50 million revolving credit agreement.

Under the interim agreement, the company received waivers of compliance through Dec. 30, of certain covenants of the revolving credit agreement resulting from the first quarter loss previously reported. The company and the banks presently are negotiating a restructuring of the credit agreement.

The interim agreement reduces the revolving credit agreement to $40 million with future reductions to $33,500,000, and collaterizes such borrowings with certain assets of the company. The interest rate on borrowings under the agreement has been increased to 3/4 percent over the prime interest rate.

ARX Inc. is engaged in the design and manufacture of a wide variety of electronic and magnetic products and mechanical systems with industrial and defense applications as well as providing consulting services for military contractors. The company also owns a controlling interest in VTX Electronics Corp. (ASE:VTX)

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WAYNE, PA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Results of a survey of major electronic mail users, conducted by Soft Switch Inc. indicate that the current economic climate will not have a major negative impact on spending for electronic mail and in some cases will lead to an increase in spending plans.

The survey also points to dramatic increases in the use of ''gateways'' using the industry-standard X.400 protocol for private-to-public electronic mail connection over the next one to two years.

''The Soft-Switch customer base offers a unique vantage point for looking at e-mail market trends,'' said David F. Foster, vice president of marketing, ''since it consists of large organizations -- primarily Fortune 200 level -- in a wide variety of industries and using a wide range of hardware and software, who have committed to enterprise-wide mail networking.'' Soft Switch surveyed its customer base at the 1990 User's Conference in Orlando, Fla. Key results are summarized below: - While 25 percent of the respondents expect ''some reduction'' (10 percent or less) in their E-mail spending plans as a result of the economic climate, this is more than offset by the 69 percent who expect ''increase from previous plan'' or ''no impact.'' Only 6 percent expect a reduction of 10 percent or more. - About half of those surveyed already have an X.400 gateway installed; of the remaining half, 75 percent plan to install a gateway within the next 1 to 2 years. Most of these are targeting installation in the next 12 months. - Establishment of X.400 as a backbone mail protocol will take longer, according to the survey respondents 36 percent are planning X.400 backbones in the next 1 to 2 years; 61 percent will do so in the next 3 to 4 years. - Directory synchronization topped the list of ''immediate high-priority requirements,'' with 65 percent of respondents placing it in this category. It was followed closely by mail network management, nominated by 53 percent. - Slightly lower in priority, but still identified as a ''near-term requirement'' (needed within 2 years) were fax/mail integration (84 pct) and mail-enabled applications (94 pct), followed by EDI (59 pct) and forms routing and approval (53 pct). - EDI and mail strategies are already integrated in only 16 percent of the respondent organizations; however, 74 percent expect them to be integrated withing the next two years. - 88 pct. of the respondents believe that the organizational structure and visibility of their electronic mail groups has increased over the last 12 months.

''One of the most significant findings was the rapid acceptance of X.400 gateways,'' commented Foster. ''These results indicate that 92 percent of the organizations surveyed will have an X.400 gateway installed within three to four years.''

Soft Switch Inc. provides standards-based connectivity, electronic mail network management and mail-enabled applications that add value to customers' expanding electronic mail networks.

A privately held corporation, it is the ackwnowledged leader in supplying

high-performance, open-architecture mail networks to large corporations. The company also licenses its technology to major office systems vendors and public mail network vendors.

In addition to its Wayne headquarters, and its new European operation, Soft Switch has regional headquartes in Chicago, Los Angeles and Washington D.C., and sales and service offices in several other cities. The company also maintains a network of international distributers.

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-30- 3872

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PROVIDENCE, R.I. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Narragansett Electric Co. Tuesday announced plans to deactivate the South Street Power Station on Jan. 14, 1991.

This action has been required by stagnant demand for electricity in the region the station's age, and its relative inefficiencies versus other power sources. While the station is deactivated, it will be maintained to allow for a future return to service.

At the present, the future of South Street Station is expected to be one of the following: reactivation in its present configuration, being repowered as a modern gas-fired base-loan plant as is planned for Manchester Street Station, or conversion to a modern peaking power plant.

Approximately 80 employees work at South Street Station. Narragansett Electric is committed to finding suitable employment options within the New England Electric System companies for all of those employees and is presently working with Union Leaders, within the collective bargaining process, to this end.

South Street Station was built by Narragansett Electric in 1908 to replace an earlier generating station on the same Providence Harbor site. By 1930, South Street operated with seven steam turbo-generators. Today, the station contains two turbine units, one installed in 1918 and the other installed in 1952. At its peak capacity, the station produces approximately 100 megawatts.

Narragansett Electric serves 314,000 customers in 27 Rhode Island communities and is a subsidiary of New England Electric System.

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Charles F. Moran, 401/941-1400

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - ACTV Inc. (NASDAQ:IATV) announced Tuesday that it has been awarded an additional $120,000 contract to expand its unique interactive television training system by the Alexander Proudfoot Co.

The original contract, signed in July, was for $650,000.

The ACTV training program, which went into initial operation in September, utilizes unique patented television technology that permits all trainees to experience television responsiveness, personalized feedback and score keeping. During the television program, the trainees will be asked to make choices or respond to questions using an ACTV answering device. The narrator of the program will then make comments on the choices given and personalize the feedback based on the respondent's input.

The new program will be used to train Proudfoot sales personnel at the company's Productivity College, located at its headquarters in West Palm Beach Fla.

Alexander Proudfoot Co. is a worldwide leader in the field of designing and installing profit, productivity, quality and service improvement programs. Proudfoot, through the installation of its customized productivity systems and the development of a management capacity program, improves a company's productivity, quality, customer service and profitability. It is the 13th largest consulting firm in the world and currently operates in 27 countries on five continents.

''We are gratified that Proudfoot, with its worldwide reputation for excellence, has found that our technology successfully enhances their training techniques and has decided to expand our program with them,'' commented Samuels. ''ACTV's new television technologies have broad applications in cable television, training, hotels and gaming.

ACTV has developed and is marketing new television technologies that allow viewers to personalize what they are watching by responding to choices and questions posed by the programming. The choices viewers make instantly change and customize the programs they are watching. The technology and programming have been introduced to the U.S. cable TV market in Springfield, Mass. and in the Canadian market in Montreal, Canada.

ACTV also has an agreement with the Satellite Movie Co., whose clients include the Trump Taj Mahal in Atlantic City, to introduce the ACTV system into its 150,000 wired hotel rooms.

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Michael Thomas or Meghan Dougherty, 212/355-5049

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MUNDELEIN, ILL. (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Medline Industries Inc. announced its continued expansion on the east coast with a new 100,000 square foot facility in Allentown, Pa.

Medline is one of the three leading manufacturers/distributors of health care products and the largest supplier in the United States to extended care facilities.

The new Allentown facility provides goods and services to the upper Atlantic States. Medline, having four manufacturing facilities in the United States, an assembly plant in Mexico and a total of fourteen distribution facilities similar to Allentown throughout the nation, prides itself in offering the highest level of service in the medical supply industry. Hospitals may order directly through Medline's order entry computer and can receive goods the next day.

Furthermore, the company's inventory consignment program, registered as ACCESS has enhanced the cash flow of hospitals throughout the United States, which has translated to lower costs to patients.

Jon Mills, Medline's president, said: ''Allentown will be a base to more than fifty sales personnel. All of our in-house staff are dedicated to customer service.''

CONTACT: Hecht Communications, Chicago
Gary Hecht, 312/935-0808

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FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Becton Dickinson and Co. has declared a quarterly dividend of 29 cents per common share, an increase of 2 cents, or 7 percent, over the previous quarterly payment.

It will be payable Jan. 2, 1991, to holders of record on Dec. 14, 1990. This is the 120th consecutive dividend paid by the worldwide manufacturer of health care products and the 19th consecutive annual increase.

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RAHWAY, NJ (NOV. 27) BUSINES WIRE - The board of directors of Merck & Co., Inc., meeting Tuesday, declared a dividend for the 1991 first quarter of 56

cents a share on the company's common stock. The 56-cent dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 7, 1990.

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CARMEL, IND (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Conseco Inc. (NYSE:CNC), a financial services company headquartered in Carmel, announced Tuesday that Conseco Capital Partners L.P. (CCP) has completed its previously-announced acquisition of the life insurance group of Lomas Financial Corp. (NYSE:LFC) for $165 million, consisting of $140 million in cash and $25 million in 10-year subordinated notes.

A group of banks led by Continental Bank and First Union Bank provided the senior financing for the transaction.

Lomas Life Group distributes life insurance and annuity products. The lead company in the group is Jefferson National Life Insurance Co. of Indianapolis. The group had total revenues and premiums collected of approximately $200 million in the first nine months of 1990; total assets at Sept. 30 were approximately $1 billion.

Conseco Chairman Stephen C. Hilbert said, ''We're delighted to welcome Jefferson National to the Conseco family of companies. We believe both Jefferson and Conseco will benefit from our efforts to build value by streamlining operations and enhancing profitable products.'' CCP plans to close Jefferson National's office in downtown Indianapolis on Nov. 30, and begin administering Jefferson National's business through Conseco's insurance operations headquarters in Carmel on Dec. 3.

CCP is a Delaware limited partnership to which Conseco and several institutional investors have committed $70 million in equity capital for the purpose of acquiring and operating life insurance companies. Lomas Life Group is CCP's second acquisition; Great American Reserve Insurance Co. was acquired in June 1990. A third partnership acquisition -- Beneficial Standard Life Insurance Co. -- was announced in September 1990 and is expected to be completed during the first quarter of 1991.

CONTACT: Conseco Inc., Carmel, James W. Rosensteele, 317/573-2893

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VANCOUVER, BC (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - United Pacific Gold Ltd. (VSE:UPG)

announced Tuesday that it has reached an agreement-in-principle with Eaglerock Mining Corp. of the Philippines to acquire an option to earn up to a 40 percent interest in the Guinoman Gold Prospect in the Philippines.

The terms of the agreement call for a total expenditure of $1.5 million (US) over 15 months from the date of completion of formal documentation. Further, the company has been granted a 20 percent share in the net profits of the operation by serving as operator and providing financing for commercial mining operations of the property.

Initially the company will explore, test and assess the property for a period of 90 days from the date of a final agreement. It is expected the company will expend approximately $63,500 (US) on exploration and assessment work by this period. Upon the expiry of the 90 day period, the company may terminate the agreement or elect to proceed to explore the property.

The property consists of 34 mineral claims with an approximate area of 2,754 hectares. It is within the municipal jurisdiction of Bayug and Diplahan, Province of Zamboanga del Sur, Philippines. Gold mineralization is associated with the altered zones. The breccia appears to be the host rock while pyrite is found to be disseminated in the chloritized breccia.

Based on 28 rock samples, that were fire assayed, the average gold value was 39 grams per metric tonne (1.25 oz/mt) with a high of 869 grams per metric tonne (27.9 oz/mt). The silver values averaged 89 grams per metric tonne (2.8 oz/mt) with a high of 1,511 grams per metric tonne (48.6 oz/mt).

The company also stated it had the right to earn a 40 percent interest in any small scale mining operation on the property by funding such operations in the amount of $80,000 (US). Subject to further confirmation by the company, there exists a possible reserve of approximately 34,000 tons of high grade tailings waiting to be processed.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Tuesday, November 27, 1990, the Board of Directors of Dreyfus Strategic Governments Income, Inc. (NYSE, Symbol:DSI) declared from net investment income its monthly cash dividend of $0.09 per share of common stock, payable on December 19, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 11, 1990. The previous cash dividend declared in October was also $0.09 per share.

CONTACT: The Dreyfus Corp., New York
Legal Department, 212/922-6808

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EL PASO, Texas (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Texscan Corp. announced Tuesday that it will supply the active RF distribution electronics and system passives to Seokang Telecommunications Inc. for the construction of the Korean Telecommunications Authority's Pilot Cable Television Project in Seoul, South Korea.

Notification came from Chairman Dae Yoon, Kim of Seokang Telecommunications, Texscan's exclusive distributor and developmental partner in South Korea. Chairman Kim stated, ''The system will be a technological showplace and set new standards for such construction in the Pacific rim.''

The first phase is expected to be completed in April 1991, serving the first 10,000 subscribers and construction of the Government supported project is expected to continue over the next five years until approximately 10 million subscribers are served with an estimated 35,000 plus kilometers of cable plant. Design and supply of the multimillion dollar pilot project is already underway.

George L. Fletcher, senior vice-president of marketing for Texscan Corp. stated that, ''The award of this very prestigious project is the culmination of many months of hard work by Texscan and Seokang. We are proud to be a major part of bringing cable television to the people of South Korea.''

The equipment being supplied by Texscan is its newest Pathmaker Plus+ Opto/RF series products which feature 1 Gigahertz bandwidth capacity and the ability to fully integrate AM fiber optic technology. Fletcher also states, ''The system will also utilize what is probably the most extensive use of status monitoring via Texscan's Vital Signs system management equipment.''

Texscan will offer assistance in design and technical training for Korean personnel in both El Paso and Seoul.

Wm. H. Lambert, Texscan's chairman stated, ''While Texscan has had a long standing presence and consistent growth in the European marketplace, the award of this project is an indication of Texscan's stature in international commerce. Needless to say, we are absolutely delighted.''

Headquartered in El Paso, Texscan Corp. is a leading designer and manufacturer of a broad line of distribution and commercial insertion products for the cable television industry, and a large scale fiber optic systems integrator.

CONTACT: Texscan Corp., El Paso Harold Tamburro, 915/594-3555 or Morgen-Walke Associates Inc., New York Lynn Morgen or Leslie Freed, 212/986-5900

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#90331b0840 11/27/1990 ~Business Wire
WEST COLUMBIA, SC (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Wells American Corp. (ASE: WAC) Tuesday announced that William J. Curtis has resigned as a director and employee of the corporation to pursue other business interests.

In a related action, the board announced the appointment of Michael E. Hoyle to succeed Curtis as a director. Hoyle has been with Wells American since 1982. He has served the company in a variety of capacities including product management and supervision of the company's product service operations.

Wells American's common securities are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol ''WAC''. For further information on Wells American, contact Robert K. King, president, at the company's corporate headquarters at 3243 Sunset Boulevard, West Columbia, S.C. 29169.

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Robert K. King, 803/739-1829

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NEWTON, MA (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Marcam Corp. (NASDAQ:MCAM) Tuesday reported that for the full fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income increased 350 percent to $4,108,000, or 59 cents per share, from $913,000, or 14 cents per share, in fiscal 1989.

Fiscal 1990 revenues of $33,309,000 were 99 percent higher than fiscal 1989 revenues of $16,702,000.

Net income for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, increased 239 percent to $1,467,000, or 20 cents per share, from net income of $433,000, or 6 cents per share, in the final quarter of fiscal 1989. Revenue for the quarter grew 72 percent to $9,866,000 from $5,736,000 in the final quarter of fiscal 1989.

International revenues climbed 117 percent to $3,631,000 from $1,676,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 and grew 112 percent for the full year to $10,901,000 from $5,138,000 in fiscal 1989.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the company's cash reserves stood at $12,075,000.

''The applications technology built into Marcam's PRISM software and the coverage of our worldwide distribution and support organizations were the primary reasons for our excellent financial results in 1990. In the coming year, our continuing investment in applications, distribution, service and support will create opportunity for substantial growth. We look forward to 1991 with great enthusiasm,'' said Paul Margolis, Marcam's president and chief

executive officer.

Marcam Corp. provides applications software and related services to process manufacturers worldwide. The company is an IBM Authorized Industry Applications Specialist and Business Partner, and a member of IBM's Cooperative Software Program.

Founded in 1980, Marcam has 16 offices throughout North America, Europe and the Far East, and is represented in more than 25 countries. Marcam's customers include Kraft/General Foods, Coca-Cola USA, Ralston Purina, SmithKline Beecham, Gillette, and Rhone Poulenc.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Old Stone Corp. annnounced Tuesday the promotion of James V. Rosati (41) to the position of president and chief executive officer of Old Stone Bank, the corporation's principal subsidiary.

The chief executive officer postion has been held for 15 years by Theodore W. Barnes who remains as chairman of Old Stone Bank and president and chief executive officer of Old Stone Corp. Rosati joined Old Stone Bank in 1972 and handled various positions of increasing responsibility within the retail and commericial banking areas.

From 1984 to 1989 he headed the bank's Commercial Banking Group. Last year his duties were expanded when he became chairman of the Credit Policy Committee and assumed responsibility for the Real Estate Investment Group and real estate development projects.

At the same time, the board announced a major reorganization which replaces all of the Rhode Island bank's line functions under Rosati's direction. The reorganization is consistent with the corporation's current strategy of refocusing its energies on its basic businesses of attracting deposits and serving the borrowing needs of local businesses and the retail customer.

The board announced the promotion of A. Michael Marques to executive vice president of Old Stone Bank, responsible for its commercial lending functions, and Robert G. Burkhart to executive vice president of Old Stone Bank, responsible for its retail banking functions.

Marques and Burkhart will report to Rosati. Also reporting to Rosati is S. Lee Miller who heads Old Stone Financial Services which includes Old Stone Trust Co.

In announcing the promotions and reorganization, Barnes pointed out that for the first time since the mid 1970s, all of Old Stone Bank's operations are now grouped under the direction of one individual. ''The board feels that Mr. Rosati is well qualified to deal with the challenges faced by the bank today and to lead it forward in the future,'' said Barnes.

Three major groups headed by Rosati, Edward J. Braks, executive vice president and chief financial officer, and Winfield W. Major, executive vice president and general counsel, emerge from the reorganization. All three individuals report directly to Barnes. As noted previously, Rosati heads Old Stone Bank and continues to supervise the wind-down of Old Stone Development Corp.

Braks (48) is responsible for all accounting, regulatory reporting, budgeting and finance activities. In addition, the Administrative Services Group headed by Ms. Beverly Najarian, executive vice president, reports to Braks. As part of the reorganization, Old Stone Securities Co. and the Investment Group headed by Jeffrey E. Anthony, senior vice president, will report to Braks.

Major (43) who serves as General Counsel directs the Corporate Services Group which includes the Personnel, Legal and Purchasing departments. Since last year, he has also had responsibility for most of the corporation's remaining out-of-state subsidiaries: Old Stone Bank of North Carolina, Old Stone Credit Corp., Old Stone Bank of California and Old Stone Mortgage Corp.

''The board feels we have an energetic and very capable management team and the tightening of reporting responsibility will aid greatly in making Old Stone's operations more efficient,'' Barnes noted.

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BURLINGTON, VT (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Banknorth Group Inc. Tuesday declared a dividend distribution of one common share purchase right on each outstanding share of the company's common stock.

John H. Barry, president and chief executive officer of Banknorth Group Inc. stated: ''The rights are designed to assure that all of Banknorth Group's stockholders receive fair and equal treatment in the event of any proposed

takeover of the company and to guard against partial tender offers, squeeze-outs, open market accumulations and other abusive tactics to gain control of the company without paying all shareholders a control premium.''

Each right will entitle stockholders to buy one share of common stock at an exercise price of $35. The rights will be exercisable only if a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of the company's common stock or announces a tender offer, the consummation of which would result in ownership by a person or group of 20 percent or more of the common stock.

If a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of the company's outstanding common stock, each right will entitle its holder (other than such person or members of such group) to purchase, at the right's then-current exercise price a number of shares of the company's common stock having a market value of twice such price.

Further, at any time after a person or group acquires 20 percent or more (but less than 50 percent) of the company's outstanding common stock, the board of directors may, at its option, exchange part or all of the rights (other than rights held by the acquiring person or group) for shares of the company's stock on a one-for-one basis.

In addition, if the company is acquired in a merger or other business combination transaction after a person or group has acquired 20 percent or more of the company's outstanding common stock, each right will entitle its holder to purchase, at the right's then current exercise price, a number of the acquiring company's common shares having a market value of twice such price.

Prior to the acquisition by a person or group of beneficial ownership of 20 percent or more of the company's common stock, the rights are redeemable for one cent per right at the option of the board of directors.

The board of directors is also authorized to reduce the 20 percent threshold referred to above to not less than 10 percent.

The rights are intended to enable all Banknorth Group stockholders to realize the long-term value of their investment in the company. They will not prevent a takeover, but should encourage anyone seeking to acquire the company to negotiate with the board prior to attempting a takeover.

The rights will be distributed on Dec. 7, 1990 to stockholders of record on that date and will expire on Dec. 7, 2000. The rights distribution is not taxable to stockholders.

Banknorth Group Inc., the largest commercial banking company in Vermont, was formed on Dec. 1, 1989 with the merger of Banknorth Group Inc. and Howard Bancorp and is comprised of First Vermont Bank and Trust Co., Franklin

Lamoille Bank, Granite Savings Bank and Trust Co., The Howard Bank N.A., and Woodstock National Bank. Banknorth common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol BKNG. Information published prior to Dec. 1, 1989 does not relate to the new BKNG stock.

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David P. Reville, 802/860-5474
Thomas J. Pruitt, 802/860-5558

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Global Yield Fund November 1990 monthly update.

Investment Advisor Commentary

- The Fund returned 1.7 percent for the month of October.
- As expected, the Federal Reserve lowered interest rates a quarter of a point to 7-3/4 percent following the U.S. budget agreement. Further easing of interest rates is expected as the U.S. economy continues to struggle. This will lead to a further decline in the U.S. dollar as U.S. interest rates become increasingly uncompetitive.
- The British pound entered the exchange rate mechanism of the EMS early in October and short-term interest rates were simultaneously cut 100 basis points to 14 percent.

Initially, the pound soared against the U.S. dollar and the deutschemark, but receded somewhat from its highs on fears of further interest rate cuts. Once Britain's inflation picture improves, we expect further reductions in U.K. rates. In a weak dollar environment, however, the pound will continue to do well.

- Australian short-term interest rates were lowered 100 basis points in Oct. to 13 percent, resulting in an initial 5 percent decline in the Australian dollar. Although further interest rate cuts are expected, we expect the Australian dollar to hold steady in light of a negative U.S. dollar environment.

- In New Zealand, the election victory by the National Party came as no surprise. It is not yet clear what economic policies the new government will enact and when. The very independent Reserve Bank remains committed to reducing inflation and maintaining a stable currency.

- They will keep interest rates firm at 14 percent until inflation falls and the government reduces the budget deficit. The New Zealand dollar should continue to be steady in this environment.

- We continue to be positive on the European currencies and accordingly have the majority of the Fund's holdings invested there. We increased our holdings in Sweden and Norway to take advantage of their high interest rates.

- We have added a small position in Canada where we believe the currency will remain stable against the dollar. Currently, we maintain a small position in New Zealand and very limited exposure to Australia.

- As yield curves steepen, we will begin to buy longer dated securities thereby raising the average maturity of the Fund. We expect this trend to continue as economic growth begins to slow worldwide. While we remain negative on the U.S. dollar, we continue to be prudent in the size of our foreign currency exposure because of the very real threat of war in the Middle East. This has been an excellent year for the Fund and we do not wish to take unnecessary risks at this point in the year.

CONTACT: The Global Yield Fund Inc., New York
212/214-3334

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Florafax International Inc.(TICKER: FIIF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,806,000	$8,812,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(755,000)	$153,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.15)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,149,000	4,941,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,415,000	$8,852,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$469,000	$1,224,000

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 19, 1990, the board of directors of Arista Investors Corp.(TICKER: ARIN) approved the recommendation of their audit committee not to retain Ernst & Young as their auditors for the year ending Dec. 31, 1990.

Ernst & Young and Arthur Young & Co. had been the company's independent auditors for more than five years.

The board instead voted to retain Blonder Seymour & Shapss as independent auditors for the company and Arista Insurance Co., Arista's wholly-owned subsidiary.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by C3 Inc.(TICKER: CTHP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$20,380,000	$12,509,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$23,123,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$22,001,000	$(5,000,000)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$75,301,000	$80,110,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(1,308,000)	$(20,326,000)

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Credit Optical Inc.(TICKER: ACOI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$414,644	$59,040
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(36,331)	$(94,596)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,695,831	$1,757,981
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,938,552	$1,710,772

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bio-Monitor Inc.(TICKER: BMON).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$226,558	$17,738
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(123,460)	$(167,532)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,282,613	2,130,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,825,837	$1,331,903
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$929,058	$1,250,769

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Entree Corp.(TICKER: ETRC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$42,788,000	$37,899,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(786,000)	$(232,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,000,000	8,000,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,527,000	$17,734,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,655,000	$2,222,000

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#90331c0010 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 13, 1990, Mills-Jennings Co.(TICKER: JKPT) appointed a new independent accountant, Fred. V. Schiemann.

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#90331c0012 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Satellite/America Inc.(TICKER: SAMI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$676,607	$359,662
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(434,739)	$866,329
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$0.17
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,260,646	5,012,024

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,234,317	$2,059,698
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,181,043	$640,599

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Equine Products Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,314,196	$659,288
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(589,042)	$362,636
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.05
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	16,039,148	7,119,650

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$23,730,009	$5,021,989
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,217,714	$2,288,328

-30- 1074

#90331c0014 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Spectrum Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: SPTM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$698,857	$672,090
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$56,350	$5,582

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,599,456	6,599,456

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,621,875	$1,732,071
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,078,043	$925,884

-30- 1085

#90331c0015 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Homestead Minerals Corp.(TICKER: HMCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,285,070	$880,638
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$72,850	$102,518
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	16,576,952	16,027,060

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,166,734	$4,688,521
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,545,586	$2,254,490

-30- 1104

#90331c0016 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Atratech Inc.(TICKER: ATRA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$5,418,036	$777,255
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$635,030	$(12,267)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,883,000	7,883,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,463,798	$2,926,745
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,875,385	$1,536,725

-30- 1073

#90331c0017 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Homeowners Group Inc.(TICKER: HOMG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$12,988,678	$11,090,847
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$880,872	$1,162,583
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.15	$0.19
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,974,598	6,031,422

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$40,628,544	$35,594,078
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$22,512,955	$20,194,183

-30- 1082

#90331c0018 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Phoenix Advanced Technology Inc.(TICKER: PATI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$119,701	$213,901
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(508,712)	$(298,072)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.27)	$(0.17)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,858,414	1,761,446

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,433,844	$1,770,993
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,507,609	$1,096,021

The company, a development stage enterprise, states fluctuation in revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 and the nine months ended on that date were a function of availability of funds and availability of research facilities at Virginia Commonwealth University, with whom Phoenix reports it contracted for research and development related to an anti-inflammatory drug.

The revenues shortage also was caused in part by the purchase of partnership interests of Phoenix Ltd. by Phoenix during the first quarter of 1990, the company says.

The company's address is 4020-400 Newberry Road, Gainesville, Florida 32607, and its telephone number is (904) 372-9585.

-30- 1786
#90331c0020 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by CM Communications Inc.(TICKER: CMCM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,330,000	$4,659,000

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(47,000)	$64,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$0.10
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,372,500	663,950

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,377,000	$4,218,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,614,000	$241,000

-30- 1061

#90331c0021 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:44 that trade in Interhome Energy Inc.(NASDAQ: IHEI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 41 3/8. The company is located in Calgary, Alberta.

-30- 351

#90331c0022 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:46 that trade in Gulf Canada Resources has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol GOU.

-30- 319

#90331c0023 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:50 that trade in GW Utilities LTD. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX ticker symbol GWT.

-30- 306

#90331c0024 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:51 that trade in Frank B. Hall & Co. has been halted for the dissemination of news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol FBH.

-30- 333

#90331c0025 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:55 that trade in BFS Bankorp Inc.(NASDAQ: BFSI) has been resumed. The first sale was 4 1/2; down 2 1/4 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 346
#90331c0026 11/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 23:

Triple Threat Enterprises Inc. (BOXR), Uts. 11/20/95 (BOXRU), Cl. A Wts., 11/20/95 (BOXRW)

-30- 315
#90331c0028 11/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by NRP Inc.(TICKER: ZIPP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,877,583	$6,925,952
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(67,584)	$(352,056)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,860,398	10,535,398

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,038,773	$10,822,803
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,204,843	$2,272,427

-30- 1061
#90331c0029 11/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Rasterops.(TICKER: ROPS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$16,479,000	$10,007,000

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,411,000	$500,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.25	$0.13
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,671,000	3,955,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$35,585,000	$34,607,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$27,788,000	$26,320,000

-30- 1065

#90331c0030 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Minstar Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$85,457,000	$97,133,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(6,729,000)	$(5,075,000)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$284,067,000	$284,905,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(29,634,000)	$(129,488,000)

The company's executive address is 100 South Fifth Street, Suite 2400, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402, and its telephone number is (612) 339-7900.

-30- 1075

#90331c0031 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Xiox Corp.(TICKER: XIOX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$499,853	$456,159
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(80,229)	$36,640
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,050,773	1,050,773

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,303,814	$1,432,492
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,071,094	$1,210,737

-30- 1045

#90331c0032 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Skywest Inc.(TICKER: SKYW).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$29,970,000	$25,239,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,392,000	$1,771,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.27	$0.33
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,213,413	5,202,706

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$76,790,000	$69,236,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$35,184,000	$32,464,000

-30- 1069

#90331c0033 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Southern Educators Life Insurance Co. (TICKER: SOED).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,800,968	$7,170,715
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$531,185	$829,576
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.27	$0.40
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,857,285	2,971,412

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$119,425,992	$112,689,966
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$22,178,209	$21,174,257

-30- 1117

#90331c0034 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Frank B. Hall & Co. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol FBH. Trading was resumed at 10:05.

-30- 351

#90331c0036 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:25 that trade in Meridian Diagnostics Inc.(NASDAQ: KITS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 7/8. The company is located in Cincinnati, Ohio.

-30- 358

#90331c0037 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 16, 1990, David Swenson, president of Twin Creek Exploration Inc. (TICKER: TWCE), announced that the planned reorganization whereby Twin Creek Exploration Inc. would acquire all the assets and business of Gantom Inc. was terminated.

According to Swenson, the notice of the termination of the agreement from Gantom stated that because of a downturn in the economy and higher-than-anticipated expenses in opening new stores, Gantom sought an end to the acquisition agreement.

Accordingly, Twin Creek agreed to cancel the agreement, Swenson said.

-30- 780

#90331c0038 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 13, 1990, the board of directors of Carolina First Corp.(TICKER: CAFC) elected William R. Timmons Jr. as chairman, filling the vacancy created by the death of A. Foster McKissick.

-30- 406

#90331c0039 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Xplor Corp.(TICKER: XPLR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$575,000	$742,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$22,000	$300,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.14
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,296,642	2,171,322

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,441,000	$8,219,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,996,000	$6,165,000

-30- 1047

#90331c0040 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pacific Agricultural Holdings Inc.(TICKER: PAGH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,449,000	$3,956,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,587,000)	$(1,452,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.08)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$47,681,000	$47,891,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$24,650,000	$18,720,000

-30- 1035

#90331c0041 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Merchants Corp.(TICKER: FRME).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,516,000	$1,368,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.72	$0.64

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$517,052,000	$522,798,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$50,643,000	$48,219,000

-30- 809

#90331c0042 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Surety Capital Corp.(TICKER: LOAN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Nine Months Ended	Two Months Ended
	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
REVENUES	$1,560,057	$180,602
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(593,183)	$(26,649)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,441,343	7,543,934

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,902,206	$18,147,295
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$906,892	$1,326,053

-30- 1125

#90331c0044 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 8, 1990, Hanger Orthopedic Group Inc.(TICKER: HNGR) acquired substantially all the manufacturing assets of Ralph Storrs Inc.

The acquisition, which is being accounted for as a purchase transaction, was effected pursuant to the terms of an asset purchase agreement, dated as of Oct. 26, 1990.

The agreement included Hanger, Storrs Acquisition Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hanger, Storrs and Ralph Storrs, the sole shareholder of Storrs.

The purchase price was $2.67 million, consisting of $2.23 million in cash, two promissory notes issued by the company totaling $430,179, of which $245,000 is payable over three years and $185,179 is payable over five years.

It also included 7,273 shares of common stock of Hanger with an aggregate market value of $10,000, based on the closing asked price of the stock on Nov. 7, 1990.

-30- 1099

#90331c0045 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by North East Insurance Co.(TICKER: NEIC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,598,931	$5,412,849
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$31,295	$68,592
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$95,993	$207,358
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.07

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$34,234,307	$37,784,086
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,159,827	$7,542,628

-30- 1016

#90331c0046 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Polymuse Inc.(TICKER: PMUS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$65,830
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(126,794)	$(134,839)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,602,711	7,602,711

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,214,094	$2,011,683
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$601,408	$961,185

-30- 1069

#90331c0047 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 14, 1990, American Bankers Insurance Group Inc.(ABIG)(TICKER: ABIG) adopted

amendments to its shareholder rights plan dated Feb. 24, 1988.

Concurrent with the initial adoption of the rights agreement in 1988, ABIG declared a dividend of one right for each share of ABIG's common stock outstanding.

Each right is a part of and trades with each share of ABIG's common stock and entitles the holder to purchase either a unit consisting of 1/100 of a share of Series A Participating Preferred stock at $31 per unit, or under certain circumstances, shares of either ABIG's common stock or stock in an acquiring entity at half of market value.

Rights are not exercisable until the distribution date and expire on March 10, 1998, unless ABIG redeems them earlier.

The amendment provides that the rights will separate from the common stock and a distribution date will occur upon the earlier of 10 days following a public announcement that a person or group of affiliated or associated persons has acquired, or obtained the right to acquire, beneficial ownership of 15% or more of the outstanding shares of common stock or 10 business days following the commencement of a tender offer or exchange offer that would result in a person or group beneficially owning 15% or more of such outstanding shares of common stock.

-30- 1580

#90331c0048 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:30 that trade in Sigma Designs Inc.(NASDAQ: SIGM) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 6 1/4. The company is located in Fremont, California.

-30- 348

#90331c0049 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:51 that trade in Meridian Diagnostics Inc.(NASDAQ: KITS) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 7/8; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 358

#90331c0050 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:13 that trade in Sigma Designs Inc.(NASDAQ: SIGM) has been resumed. The first sale was 6; down 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 346

#90331c0052 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 12, 1990, effective Nov. 2, Evergood Products (TICKER: EVGD) sold and issued $1.0 million principal amount of its secured subordinated notes due Nov. 1, 1994 and five-year warrants, to purchase 854,700 shares of its common stock to a group of investors consisting of Alvin Lefkowitz ($166,666.67), Morris Cahme ($116,666.66), Gladys Benson ($50,000), Michele Hoffman Investment Trust ($83,333.33), Karen Raich Investment Trust ($83,333.33), 202 Investments Corp. ($333,333.33) and Sidney Rich, president, director and principal stockholder of the company ($116,666.67).

The sale was pursuant to a unit purchase agreement.

-30- 834

#90331c0053 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Asset Growth Inc.(TICKER: ASGI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,534,640	$1,889,689
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$175,028	$87,459
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,267,920	4,237,253

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,891,425	$6,426,372
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,036,006	$1,014,199

-30- 1073

#90331c0054 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Healthplex Inc.(TICKER: HPLX)

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,332,821	$1,775,820
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$47,903	$39,737
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,227,500	3,077,500

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,919,662	$2,921,592
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,424,792	$2,300,006

-30- 1069

#90331c0055 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 19, 1990, Striker Petroleum Corp.(TICKER: STRP) dismissed Arthur Andersen & Co. as its independent accountants.

On that date, Striker appointed the firm of Deloitte & Touche as its new accountant.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 667

#90331c0056 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by O'Charley's Inc.(TICKER: CHUX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Oct. 7, 1990	Oct. 1, 1989
REVENUES	$11,138,000	$6,531,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$228,000	$99,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$0.06
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,053,000	1,709,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 7, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$29,298,000	$18,786,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$23,565,000	$3,101,000

-30- 1070

#90331c0057 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Telenetics Corp.(TICKER: TNET).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$246,915	$564,419
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,137,187)	$(440,012)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.14)	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,136,674	6,465,007

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,541,865	$3,041,058
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$712,167	$1,770,191

-30- 1083

#90331c0058 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Phoenix Laser Systems Inc.(TICKER: PXLS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,024,546)	$(843,652)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$(0.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,743,783	7,317,733

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,342,610	$2,068,466
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,868,079	$1,184,381

-30- 1079

#90331c0060 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cato Corp.(TICKER: CACO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Nov. 3, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
REVENUES	$55,008,000	$58,581,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(692,000)	$(1,534,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.10)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	14,669,190	14,694,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$107,153,000	$113,459,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$30,568,000	$35,437,000

-30- 1066

#90331c0061 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Agristar Inc.(TICKER: AGRS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$84,245	$8,952
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(411,227)	$(347,186)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.03)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,929,559	$3,159,434
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,792,861	$3,051,667

-30- 985

#90331c0062 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Interand Corp.(TICKER: IRND).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$161,188	$365,788
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(871,543)	$(1,001,997)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.21)	$(0.24)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,178,071	4,178,071

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,299,427	$3,213,480
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(8,943,119)	$(6,076,812)

-30- 1063

#90331c0063 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Crowley Financial Services Inc.(TICKER: CRLY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$286,521	$361,672
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(265,925)	$41,066
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,134,633	7,910,216

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,992,547	$2,185,464
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$143,031	$464,755

-30- 1090

#90331c0064 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 13, 1990, International Movie Group Inc.(TICKER: IMGR) announced it granted incentive stock options to directors and employees to purchase 308,000 shares at a price of $2.25 per share, exercisable for a 10-year period.

-30- 461

#90331c0065 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 14, 1990, IEH Corp.(TICKER: IEHC) entered a contract for the sale of the land and building it occupies as its administrative offices at 109 Prince Street, New York City.

The sale price is $3.75 million, payable in the amount of $375,000 at the time of the contract, with the balance payable in cash at the time of closing, scheduled for Dec. 19, 1990.

-30- 593

#90331c0066 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 16, 1990, Blue Dolphin Energy Co.(TICKER: BDCO) engaged the firm of KPMG Peat Marwick to audit the company's financial statements as of and for the year ending Dec. 31, 1990.

-30- 389
#90331c0068 11/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Gulf Canada Resource has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol GOU. Trading was resumed at 12:24.

-30- 357
#90331c0069 11/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in GW Utilites has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol GWT. Trading was resumed at 12:24.

-30- 336
#90331c0071 11/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:20 that trade in San Diego Gas & Electric has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol SDO.

-30- 324
#90331c0072 11/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:20 that trade in SCEcorp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol SCE.

-30- 292
#90331c0073 11/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:46 that trade in Hollywood Park Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ: HTRF) has been resumed. The first sale was 35; up 1 point from the halt, and previous close.

-30- 363
#90331c0074 11/27/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - Saying his immediate objective is to "learn and listen," Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman Richard C. Breeden opened a meeting today examining ways to improve the national system for clearing and settling securities transactions.

Members of the Group of Thirty, a private-sector group composed of representatives of international financial institutions, discussed their findings at an all-day "roundtable" sponsored by the commission.

The group's main proposals include shortening the settlement cycle from five business days after the trade date to three business days, using same-day funds instead of next-day funds for settlement and establishing a book-entry settlement procedure.

Many foreign markets, including those in Germany and Japan, settle transactions in three days or less and the Group of Thirty's working committee on clearance and settlement concluded that implementing these recommendations will act to reduce risk in U.S. financial markets and help to ensure that U.S. markets remain competitive.

The SEC chief agreed that delays in execution and settlement result in added risk to market participants.

"The longer the time between execution and settlement, the greater the chance that the value of the securities purchased or sold will change materially, and that the counterparty will default," Breeden said.

The Group of Thirty is pushing for a three day settlement cycle and the establishment of a book-entry system for recording ownership and transfer of securities by 1993 for all market participants. A book-entry system utilizes computer entries and would do away with stock certificates.

"The committee believes that coupling these two goals, and implementing them as a single event, is the most practical and cost-effective way to shorten the settlement cycle," said Ronald Readmond, an executive vice president at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco and co-chairman of the Group of Thirty working committee.

However, Breeden cautioned the Group of Thirty's recommendations could have important consequences such as burdening small retail brokerage firms with the added expense of adapting their operations systems to accomodate a shorter settlement cycle and the need to make payments in same-day funds.

In addition, a survey commissioned by the Group of Thirty indicated that a retail customer at a small firm is more likely to request receipt of a physical certificate, and eliminating stock certificates may have the effect of discouraging some individual investors from participating in the securities markets.

"In the long term, our goal should be to ensure that clearance and settlement systems are at least sufficiently linked to respond properly to the actual risk exposure of their participants," Breeden said. "The time is ripe to re-evaluate our clearance and settlement system to determine how best to minimize any systemic risks in a cost-effective manner."

-30- 3229

#90331c0075 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Koger Properties Inc.(TICKER: KOG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$41,967,000	$88,008,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,889,000	$10,444,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$0.40
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	26,967,000	26,045,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$722,652,000	$741,427,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$133,000	$36,397,000

-30- 1070

#90331c0077 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Energetics Inc.(TICKER: EJTX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$151,248	$234,095
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(266,905)	$(249,400)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	53,437,691	51,922,140

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,278,583	$4,069,071

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,378,923	$1,390,275

-30- 1064

#90331c0078 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Docucon Inc.(TICKER: DOCU).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$562,635	$159,169
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(556,889)	$(554,973)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$(0.13)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,384,565	4,294,700

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,317,244	$2,239,324
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$(501,138)	$(215,335)

-30- 1066

#90331c0079 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Metal Arts Company Inc.(TICKER: MTLR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$761,972	$986,105
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(107,403)	$52,558
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,598,102	6,565,402

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,610,354	$1,726,237
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$(504,347)	$(396,944)

-30- 1080

#90331c0080 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Neurotech Corp.(TICKER: NURO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$196,845	$203,384
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(176,763)	$(79,374)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,754,374	9,754,374

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$663,519	$804,290
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$455,477	$632,240

-30- 1062

#90331c0081 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Newport News Savings Bank.(TICKER: NNSL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$112,000	$(960,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$(0.70)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$363,546,000	$361,385,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,185,000	$8,073,000

-30- 817

#90331c0082 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Nooney Realty Trust Inc.(TICKER: NRTI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$749,839	$672,149
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$118,880	$(40,899)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.14	$(0.05)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$17,724,324	$17,940,230
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$12,270,274	$12,390,511

-30- 1003

#90331c0083 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Delaware Otsego Corp.(TICKER: DOCP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,753,000	$27,025,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$184,000	$35,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.14	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,328,675	1,328,675

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$73,294,000	$88,957,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$25,168,000	$23,383,000

-30- 1055

#90331c0085 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:38 that trade in Micro Healthsystems Inc.(NASDAQ: MCHS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 15 3/4. The company is located in West Orange, New Jersey.

-30- 364

#90331c0086 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in San Diego Gas & Electric has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol SDO. Trading was resumed at 14:26.

-30- 361

#90331c0087 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in SCE Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol SCE. Trading was resumed at 14:28.

-30- 330

#90331c0088 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Servam Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$244,297,000	$257,171,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(9,041,000)	$(3,975,000)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.51)	$(0.23)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	18,307,000	18,571,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$494,644,000	$518,859,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' (DEFICIENCY)	$(41,873,000)	$26,172,000)

-30- 1058

#90331c0089 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Aero Systems Engineering Inc.(TICKER: AERS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,438,000	$6,258,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$330,000	$178,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.13	$0.07

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$23,403,000	$24,154,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,241,000	$7,150,000

-30- 1020

#90331c0090 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ansonia Derby Water Co.(TICKER: ADBY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$960,240	$851,845

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$406,759
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$115,723	$531,934
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.31	$1.42

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$11,393,299	$11,100,927
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,167,623	$3,228,757

-30- 983

#90331c0091 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Vicon Fiber Optics Corp.(TICKER: VFOX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$141,274	$329,881
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(160,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(149,161)	$(385,739)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.09)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,993,136	3,951,886

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,790,814	$3,336,445
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$162,129	$296,786

-30- 1086

#90331c0093 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Healthtek Inc.(TICKER: HLTK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$928,000	$1,549,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(591,000	4,098,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.44)	$3.73
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,341,000	1,100,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,250,000	$4,034,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$865,000	$1,214,000

-30- 1062

#90331c0094 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:33 that trade in Top Source Inc.(NASDAQ: TOPS) has been resumed. The first bid was 1/2; up 1/32 point from the halt, and up 3/32 point from the previous close.

-30- 352

#90331c0095 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:40 that trade in Micro Healthsystems (NASDAQ: MCHS) has been resumed. The first sale was 17 1/4; up 1 1/2 points from the halt, and up 1 1/2 points from the previous close.

-30- 373

#90331c0096 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 19, 1990, Daniel Oger, a director, and Arnold H. Slotkin, the secretary, treasurer and chief financial officer of Frenchtex Inc.(TICKER: FRCH), resigned.

Patricia Varney was elected as the new secretary, treasurer and chief financial officer.

-30- 456

#90331c0097 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov.

14, 1990, the board of directors of Bank of New Hampshire Corp.(TICKER: BNHC) voted a quarterly dividend for the fourth quarter of five cents per share, as compared to the third quarter dividend of $0.13 cents per share, a 62% reduction.

The company attributed the reduction in part to a continued overall softening of the local and regional economies.

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#90331c0098 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 16, 1990, a three-person arbitration panel ruled that Mestek Inc.(TICKER: MCC) was not liable to Weber Metals Corp. for an allegedly defective stamping press built by Mesta Machine Co. over five years ago.

The alleged failure had been footnoted in Mestek's 1989 stockholder's annual report and 10-K report, Mestek states.

The panel instructed Weber Metals Corp. to pay $200,000 of Mestek's remaining account receivable from that company, with interest from 1988 to date.

-30- 720

#90331c0099 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 14, 1990, the board of directors of Telescan Inc. accepted the resignation of Avner Hacohen as its president, chief executive officer and director.

Hacohen cited personal reasons for his resignation, according to Telescan.

The company's executive address is 10550 Richmond Ave., Suite 250, Houston, Texas 77042, and its telephone number is (713) 952-1060.

-30- 582

#90331c0101 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 20, 1990, Lightfoot Enterprises entered an agreement with North American Reserves Inc., a recently formed Wyoming limited liability company, for the proposed sale of 52.91 million newly issued shares of its convertible common stock and $7.0 million face amount of its convertible redeemable preferred stock, for a total consideration of $10 million.

If the sale occurs, North American would own 80% of Lightfoot's outstanding common stock, and 100% of its convertible redeemable preferred stock.

The company's executive address is 450 Ouray Avenue, Grand Junction, Colorado

81501, and its telephone number is (303) 242-1503.

-30- 881

#90331c0102 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Universal Voltronics Corp.(TICKER: UVL) dismissed Price Waterhouse as its independent accountants on Nov. 12, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

The company then engaged the firm of Arthur Andersen & Co. as its new accountants effective Nov. 12, 1990.

Universal also changed its fiscal year end from June 30 to the 52 or 53 weeks ending on the Saturday nearest Dec. 31.

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#90331c0103 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 7 1990, the board of directors of The Bethlehem Corp.(TICKER: BET) decided not to reappoint Grant Thornton as its independent accountant for the 1990 fiscal year.

The company engaged Parente Randolph Orlando Carey & Associates as its new accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90331c0104 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 9, 1990, Waste Technology Corp.(TICKER: WTEK) entered an agreement with Charles B. Roth and David C. Price, under which it acquired all the outstanding and issued stock of Ram Industrial Coatings Inc.

Ram is engaged in applying protective coatings to industrial plants, heavy machinery and steel structures such as bridges, to extend the life of the equipment.

The Ram shares were exchanged for 740,000 restricted shares of the company's common stock.

Additionally, Waste Technology agreed to advance to Ram the sum of $300,000 for use as working capital.

Waste Technology also agreed to guarantee that Ram would repay loans owed by Ram to Patricia B. Roth and Steven F. Roth.

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#90331c0105 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 18, 1990, Patrick Wever, the company's treasurer and chief financial officer, was elected to the board of directors to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Terry Rake.

Wever will serve until the next election, the company states.

The company's executive address is 2644 Hegan Lane, Chico, California 95928, and its telephone number is (916) 343-3261.

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#90331c0106 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 13, 1990, Mast Optical Systems Inc.(TICKER: MSOS) dismissed their former accountant, and engaged the services of Fred V. Schiemann in that capacity.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

The company is located at 4673 Aircenter Circle, Reno, Nevada 89502, and its telephone number is (702) 827-8110.

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#90331c0107 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Nov. 7, 1990, C. Gary Southmayd resigned his position as president and chief executive officer of the company.

The company entered a termination agreement with Southmayd, in termination of his five-year employment contract with Ad-Rak.

The contract provides for payments of $216,000 to Southmayd over a two-year period.

William D. DuFour Jr., a director, was appointed new president and chief

executive officer.

The company is located at 363 South Park Avenue, Pomona, California 91766, and its telephone number is (714) 623-8943.

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#90331c0109 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Roadmaster Industries Inc.(TICKER: WHEL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$39,271,000	$44,726,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(389,000)	$115,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$111,750,000	$123,244,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,170,000	$15,549,000

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#90331c0110 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Commerce Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: FCBI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,921,000	$2,319,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.02	$0.80
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,860,000	2,888,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,061,149,000	$1,019,288,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$94,078,000	$88,578,000

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#90331c0111 11/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Amertek Inc.(TICKER: ATEK) announced it has reached an agreement with 909335 Ontario Ltd., a private Ontario corporation, representing a group of Canadian investors, for additional financing in the amount of $1.80 million.

The additional financing is in exchange for an interest-bearing three-year debenture in the face amount of $1.80 million.

Additionally, Ontario Ltd. will purchase 3.24 million common shares from the treasury for an aggregate sum of $324,000.

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#90331d1360 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 27) - Japan's second-largest electric machinery maker, Toshiba Corp., said Tuesday its consolidated net profit and sales both hit records for the six months to September.

Toshiba said net profit jumped 12 perent from a year earlier to 70.7 billion yen (512 million dollars), while sales soared 13 per cent to 2,268 billion yen (16.4 billion dollars).

Sales of information and communication equipment and electronic devices, accounting for half the total sales, rose 12 per cent, while other sales items also scored gains.

The company attributed the brisk business performance to strong domestic demand and a stronger dollar that boosted exports by 16 percent to 758 billion yen (5.5 billion dollars).

For the full year to March, net profit is forecast at 132 billion yen (955 million dollars) on sales of 4,252 billion yen (30.8 billion dollars).

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#90331d1370 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 27) - The Asian Development Bank (ADB) said Tuesday it has approved a 10.5 million dollar concessional loan to Papua New Guinea to combat unemployment and declining wages in that country.

The loan will help the government meet the social cost of structural adjustment by supporting projects on health improvement and water facilities, the Manila-based bank said in a written statement.

The loan has a 35-year maturity with a 10-year grace period and a one percent annual service charge.

Similar assistance is being provided to Papua New Guinea by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the Australian International Development Assistance Bureau and the European Community, the ADB said.

The Pacific nation's economy has been adversely affected by the closure of the Bougainville copper mine for most of 1989 due to armed rebellion.

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#90331d1380 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (NOV. 27) - After months of economic gloom, two banks Tuesday sent their first cautiously optimistic signals to Australia's business community.

A survey by the Westpac Bank and the Melbourne Index of Consumer Sentiment showed consumer confidence had picked up in November after a record low in October.

And Citibank economists in their monthly forecast said there were growing signs the economy has bottomed out and may now be moving into recovery.

The optimism follows lower-than-expected inflation statistics for the September quarter, last week's announcement of a wage-tax trade off with the unions and a subsequent drop in home loan rates.

Citibank said a knock-on from declining economies elsewhere in the world could put "a low speed limit on Australia's revival," but the risks of that should not be exaggerated.

The wage-tax deal could accelerate the recovery, not only for interest rates but for the real economy.

Real after-tax wages were being maintained, profits would be higher than expected, less unemployment would therefore result and the ensuing upturn had been brought closer, Citibank said.

Westpac said the November consumer index rose two points, seasonally adjusted, following steep declines since July.

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#90331d1600 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SHENZHEN, CHINA (NOV. 27) - The mayor of this special economic zone, Zheng Liangyu, dismissed criticism Tuesday that Shenzhen relied mainly on the state for its capital investment in obtaining a high growth rate.

Mr. Zheng told a press conference to commemorate the 10th anniversary of China's largest special economic zone that of 18.2 billion yuan (3.5 billion U.S. dollars) invested in the zone's infrastructure over the last decade, only 1.7 percent came from the state.

The share from domestic joint ventures with various ministries under the central government and other provinces provided 22.5 percent, bank loans represented 18.9 percent and local revenue accounted for 35.7 percent, Mr. Zheng said.

The remainder, slightly more than 20 percent, came from foreign investment.

"The investment composition indicates that the construction of Shenzhen does not rely on state investment and loans," he said.

His remarks were seen as directed to central government economists who have criticised the special economic zone for failing to fulfil its duty to attract foreign investment and become export-oriented.

Mr. Zheng predicted that the total production value of the zone in 1990 will reach 26.8 billion yuan (5.14 billion dollars), an increase of 20.2 percent over last year.

Total export volume will hit 2.8 billion dollars, up 28.8 percent compared with last year's figures, he said.

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#90331d2060 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Tokyo (NOV. 27) - The World Bank plans to borrow 10 billion yen (78 million dollars) from Japanese banks and insurers, it was disclosed here Tuesday.

The loan, carrying the latest long-term prime lending rate of 8.3 percent, is to be repaid after five years, said the Bank of Tokyo, the leading bank of the loan syndicate.

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#90331d2120 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (NOV. 27) - The Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) should consider ways of controlling production once the Gulf crisis has ended, Indonesian Mines and Energy Minister Ginanjar Kartasasmita said Tuesday.

OPEC ministers meeting for its end of the year conference in Vienna on

December 12 should strive to consolidate the organisation in order to be able to pass crisis in which some of its members were involved, Mr. Ginanjar said.

"It is important that once the Gulf situation returns to normal, OPEC should bring its production under control," he said.

Mr. Ginanjar said OPEC was already producing above its ceiling, set before the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, of 22.5 million barrels per day (bpd) to help ease pressures on the oil markets caused by the Gulf crisis.

OPEC's production, excluding those from Kuwait and Iraq, had already reached 22.6 million bpd and could reach 23 million bpd, he added.

Oil from Iraq and Kuwait, which Baghdad annexed in August, is subject to an international trade embargo.

Indonesia had already raised its oil output from 1.28 million bpd in August to 1.3 million at present and would increase it further to 1.5 million bpd by January, Mr. Ginanjar said.

He said Indonesia would have to reduce its output back to its quota of 1.37 million bpd if the situation in Gulf returned to normal, but he admitted that "this would not be easy."

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#90331d2340 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (NOV. 27) - Australia is prepared to compromise in GATT negotiations with the European Economic Community (EEC) over cuts in agricultural protection, Trade Negotiations Minister Neal Blewett said here Tuesday.

Mr. Blewett, chairman of the Cairns Group of agricultural exporting countries, told reporters he was prepared for compromise on the size of cuts sought on border protection, internal support and export subsidies by the EEC.

He leaves Thursday for Brussels and the final meeting of the four-year Uruguay Round of negotiations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), which begins on Monday.

The aim of that meeting is to unravel the political deadlock on agriculture which threatens reform in 15 trading areas.

The Cairns Group and the United States want border protection and internal support cut by 75 percent, and export subsidies cut by 90 percent.

The EEC has offered a 30 percent cut in overall protection, based mainly on reductions in internal support, and refuses to negotiate.

Mr. Blewett said if there were to be a breakthrough, the EEC would have to signal "clearly and unequivocally they are prepared to make explicit and specific commitments in each of the three areas."

The importance of agricultural reform in the negotiations meant "there just won't be an outcome unless there's a breakthough on agriculture."

This view was held not only by the U.S. and Cairns Group, but by an increasing number of other countries which did not have a major stake in agriculture, he said.

"We are prepared to be flexible, but we expect the same flexibility from the Europeans," Mr. Blewett said.

"We recognise we have to try to pursue a compromise."

Mr. Blewett acknowledged speculation that Germany, which has with France resisted significant reform, may be more flexible after elections at the weekend.

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#90331d2600 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 27) - A protest strike sponsored by Sikh political parties paralysed Punjab on Tuesday as 11 people were killed in a continuing upsurge of separatist violence, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported.

The strike shut markets, businesses, banks, schools and colleges, the news agency said. Milk, food and fodder supplies were also affected.

Public transport was running on a few select routes and trains were operating with heavy security, PTI said.

The strike was called by several Sikh political parties to protest against a ban imposed by the government on a Sikh convention in the town of Anandpur Sahib on Sunday.

The ban was accompanied by the preventive arrest of scores of Sikh politicians.

The Punjab administration justified the measures on grounds that Sunday's convention had been called to announce a "subversive programme of action intended to create ... a situation of confrontation with the government so as to encourage the secessionist forces."

Sikh separatist militants have stepped up their campaign of violence since Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar took office on November 10.

Another 11 people, including four suspected militants, were killed in violence

overnight Monday, PTI said.

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#90331d2680 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (NOV. 27) - Hardliners appeared willing to accept limited economic liberalisation after heated and protracted debate with reformers at a closed-door Communist Party plenum here, informed Vietnamese sources said Tuesday.

But any attempt at political opening would be firmly resisted, and leading reformers came under harsh criticism for pro-Western policies, they said.

Fierce debate has raged since the central committee session opened unannounced here several days ago, the sources said.

"The economy has never weighed so much in central committee deliberations and the committee has never been so divided," one source revealed, adding that changes in the party leadership could be introduced before the winter session of parliament opens on December 5.

A close ally of the once monolithic Soviet bloc, Vietnam has been badly hit by recent changes in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, which formed the principal export market for Vietnamese goods and also supplied Vietnam with cheap raw materials and consumer goods.

The country's resulting near-bankruptcy, Vietnamese sources say, has prompted "serious differences" at the plenum, which, together with a recent national congress of party cadres, is preparing for a full party Congress scheduled for May next year.

Sources close to the government say no major changes will be introduced before the Congress, which will be called on to adopt "new political and economic perspectives."

The Congress must confirm the separation of party and state, a major issue at the plenum, they said. But they stressed that the plenum was "totally opposed" to allowing political pluralism in the one-party state.

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#90331d2850 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 27) - The World Bank said Tuesday it will borrow 10 billion yen (77.5 million dollars) in a five-year loan from a syndicate of 21 Japanese banks and other financial institutions.

The loan will carry interest equal to Japan's long-term prime rate and reviewed every six months, the World Bank office here said.

The syndicate is lead-managed by the Bank of Tokyo and Tokio Marine and Fire Co., the office said.

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#90331d2870 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 27) - The South Korean government Tuesday announced a long-awaited set of rules which will allow foreign securities' firms to open branches and do business here.

Under the rules announced by the finance ministry, foreign brokers must have had a representative office in South Korea for at least two years before they can open a branch office.

Twenty-four foreign scurities firms currently have offices here and 12 of them meet the two-year requirement, officials said.

The rules divided the work of securities firms into three main areas -- dealing, brokerage and underwriting -- and set minimum capital levels.

For a branch engaged in one business area, foreign securities' firms must put up at least 10 billion won (14 million U.S. dollars).

For those operating in two areas, the minimum amount was set at 15 billion won (21 million dollars) and for three areas, 20 billion won (28 million dollars).

Admitting foreign securities firms to the Korea Stock Exchange (KSE) and the Korea Securities Dealers' Association will be decided by the members of the KSE themselves, officials said said.

The United States and other countries have been demanding that foreign securities firms be allowed to join the KSE and the dealers' association.

In any joint ventures, the South Korean partners must hold at least 50 per cent and paid-up capital for such a brokerage will be a minimum of 70 billion won (98 million dollars). A 50 billion won (70 million dollars) minimum was set for joint ventures engaged in other business.

However, the 30 largest South Korean conglomerates will be barred from entering a joint venture with foreign securities firms to prevent further concentration of economic power, the officials added.

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#90331d2920 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 27) - Japan's top leasing firm, Orix Corp., said Tuesday it has set up a joint venture in Hong Kong with South Korea's Hanjin Group.

The new firm, named Korea Orix Lease and Finance Ltd. and capitalized at five million dollars, is owned 35 percent by Orix and 65 percent by Hanjin's investment arm, Korean French Banking Corp., Orix officials said.

It will lease aircraft and ships and provide international financial services including financing for the Hanjin Group, the officials said.

Expected turnover in the first year of operations for the new company was put at 300 million dollars, the officials said.

Orix hoped to expand its business in Asia through the tie-up with Hanjin, which includes Korean Airlines and other major South Korean construction and transport companies, they added.

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#90331d2960 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT ELIZABETH, South Africa (NOV. 27) - Demand at the seventh Cape winter mohair sale showed a marked improvement from recent sales, with 37 per cent of the 3,530 bales on offer sold, the Mohair Board announced here Tuesday.

A spokesman for the board said a drought currently gripping parts of the Cape province had resulted in finer hair and had seen more general demand for adults.

But demand for kids and young goats was still restricted, he added.

The next sale, the last for the winter, will be on December 11.

Approximate price in South African cents per kilogram (252 cents to one U.S. dollar).

	Adults	Young goats	Kids
Strong:	670-690	-	-
Average:	690-700	1500-1600	2550-2650
Good-average:	700-720	1700-2000	2700-2800
Fine:	850-1050	2050-2150	3200-3300

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#90331d2980 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 27) - The British Argyll Group food company on Tuesday reported a 28 percent increase in pre-tax half-time profits to 143 million pounds (283 million dollars) from 111.8 million pounds for the same period a year earlier.

Sales rose by 15.4 percent to 2.47 billion pounds from 2.14 billion pounds, and profits per share rose from 8.6 pence to 10.6 pence. The interim dividend

was set at 2.85 pence compared with 2.45 pence.

The result was better than had been expected by analysts who had forecast about 135 million to 140 million pounds.

Argyll shares gained one pence to 243 pence.

The improvement was mainly due to the performance of Safeway supermarkets which made an operating prodit of 102.5 million pounds compared with 69.2 million pounds.

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#90331d3000 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 27) - The British Allied Lyons food and drinks group on Tuesday reported a 10 percent increase in half-time profits to 286 million pounds (566 million dollars) from 260 million pounds for the same period a year earlier.

The result was in line with forecasts by analysts.

Sales rose by four percent to 2.53 billion pounds from 2.43 billion pounds.

The interim dividend was increased by 11 percent to 6.27 pence per share from 5.65 pence.

The group said that the trading environment had worsened but said that it was confident about the rest of its financial year.

Allied Lyons shares lost 10 pence to 488 pence.

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#90331d3390 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MAPUTO (NOV. 27) - Suspected RENAMO rebels abducted 25 children and killed four guests in a raid on a wedding party outside Maputo after police, headquartered only a few hundred yards away, refused to provide protection, press reports said Tuesday.

Mozambique's official news agency AIM blamed the attack, which took place Saturday in Maputo's outlying Mbuyanguana area, on rebels of the Mozambique National Resistence (RENAMO).

AIM, reflecting recently enhanced freedom for the press in the former Portuguese colony, also reported criticism of security forces for failing to heed appeals to protect the wedding celebrations.

A police training centre was 800 metres (yards) from the scene, and a police roadblock was sited only 400 metres (yards) away, AIM noted.

The attackers killed four people and seized 25 children between the ages of seven and 14.

Forced involvement of children in Mozambique's 15 year civil war has been strongly condemned by international human rights workers.

AIM also reported Tuesday that government forces killed 20 RENAMO rebels near Male, in the central Mozambican district of Mocuba, Zambezia Province, when they repulsed an attack last Thursday. The troops killed a further 21 rebels when they beat off an attack on the small town of Molavele, in Zambezia's Ile district, on an undisclosed date, according to AIM.

Other suspected rebel attacks were reported from the port of Beira.

The latest incidents coincided with a resumption of stalled peace talks in Rome between the Mozambique governent and RENAMO. Both sides have now agreed to "analyse" RENAMO demands for a withdrawal of 10,000 Zimbabzean troops aiding the government, prior to a ceasefire.

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#90331d3410 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KIGALI (NOV. 27) - War-torn Rwanda needs additional aid of 100 to 110 million dollars to finance its structural adjustment programme, Planning Minister Augustin Ngirabatware said here Tuesday.

Addressing donors' representatives, Mr. Ngirabatware said aid already pledged by the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) before civil war broke out last month would be too little to finance the programme.

Two weeks ago the World Bank granted Rwanda aid of 80 million dollars to help it overcome its current economic difficulties, which have been compounded by a rebel invasion from neighbouring Uganda on October 1.

The civil war in the north of the landlocked country has cut off vital food imports which used to come via Uganda.

Rwanda's economy had already been weakened by the slump in the price of coffee its main export. Tourism has virtually stopped as Rwanda's main attractions, the Parc des Volcans, famous for its gorillas, and the Akagera national park, are both in the combat zone.

Rwanda had earlier asked the IMF for additional aid of 8.76 million Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) in addition to 30.60 million SDRs which it has asked for to finance its 1991-1993 structural adjustment programme, informed sources said here.

The United Nations Development Programme is also expected to sign an agreement to grant Rwanda 350,000 dollars in project aid in the next few days, officials said.

Rwanda devalued its currency by 40 percent last month, and announced big food and fuel price increases.

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#90331d3420 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DOHA (NOV. 27) - The forthcoming summit meeting of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (Gcc) will centre on the Gulf crisis, Omani Minister of Information Abdel Aziz al-Rawass was quoted as saying Tuesday.

The heads of state of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain, Oman and the United Arab Emirates (Uae), making up the Gcc, are scheduled to hold their llth summit conference in the Qatari capital of Doha on December 22.

Preparations for the meeting are going ahead against the backdrop of the Iraqi occupation of a Gcc member state and amid growing fears of a military confrontation between Iraq and the U.S.-led alliance over the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

In an interview with the Qatari magazine Al Ahd, Rawass stressed that the quickest way to solve the Gulf crisis was through the implementation of United Nations Security Council resolutions, which call for a total and unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the restoration of the legitimate government there.

He said any Arab or international solution to the Gulf crisis should be based on Iraq's declaration of its acceptance to withdraw from Kuwait.

Meanwhile, two Qatari envoys will visit Gcc states this week carrying formal invitations to the summit meeting from Qatar's ruler, Sheikh Khalifa bin Hamad al-Thani, it was announced here Tuesday.

The Gcc was set up in 1981 in a bid to coordinate economic and defence polices of the six conservative oil-rich states.

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#90331d3580 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Duesseldorf (NOV. 27) - The heavy industry group Thyssen improved its turnover in the just-finished business year but earnings fell off, company chairman Dieter Spethmann said Tuesday.

Without disclosing final official figures for the 1989-90 year which ended September 30, Spethmann said that Thyssen's turnover rose by ''clearly more

than 1 billion marks'' (670 million dollars) over 1988-89 levels, but earnings were lower.

In the 1988-89 year, Thyssen achieved 34 billion marks turnover, up 17 percent from the year before, while its earnings increased by one-half billion marks to 1.7 billion marks.

Spethmann said that the 1989-90 earnings, while retreating from last year's level, would be higher than the 1.2 billion marks profit in 1987-88.

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#90331d3710 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (NOV. 27) - Bangladesh's two main opposition leaders, Sheikh Hasina Wazed, of the Awami League, and Begum Khaleda Zia, of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party, were arrested here Tuesday, opposition sources said.

Police also arrested former foreign minister Kamal Hussain and a youth leader, Mostafa Mohsin, as authorities moved to crush growing demands for the resignation of President Hussain Muhammad Ershad.

The state-run radio reported the imposition of an indefinite curfew Tuesday on Dhaka and its suburbs, the scene of violent disturbances in which two people were killed.

Opposition activists went on a rampage damaging public transport and smashing shop windows after news of the arrests spread. Police had picked up Sheikh Hasina and Begum Khaleda up at their homes, the sources said.

Troops in armoured cars ringed Dhaka university campus, a stronghold of the All Party Students Unity organisation which has called for a nationwide general strike Wednesday to press for the government's resignation.

Militant students brandishing automatic weapons fired in the air forcing thousands of other students and teachers to run for cover. Eyewitnesses said security forces moved on to the campus under a dense cloud of teargas.

University officials said a teacher at the Dhaka Medical College, Shamsul Alam Milon, was killed in crossfire between rival student groups. Three people have died in campus violence since Saturday, police said.

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#90331d4080 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) - The price of the U.S. benchmark light, sweet crude rose 20 cents to 33.15 dollars a barrel for January delivery in early trading Tuesday after opening 25 cents down.

The benchmark crude closed Monday at 32.95 dollars a barrel, up 1.05 dollars amid rising tension over an impending vote in the U.N. Security Council on the use of force against Iraq.

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#90331d4120 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (NOV. 27) - Black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela said Tuesday ahead of a meeting with President Frederik de Klerk that "major national interests" were at stake and their talks would be "very sensitive".

The face-to-face talks have been called by Mr. De Klerk to try break a deadlock in clearing the way to formal constitutional negotiations.

A presidential spokeswoman said the crucial meeting got under way at 4 p.m. (1400 GMT) but she was not able to say how long it would last or whether Mr. De Klerk was accompanied by senior advisers.

Mr. Mandela was accompanied only by a personal bodyguard.

Observers said the special rapport between Mr. De Klerk and Mr. Mandela, deputy president of the black nationalist African National Congress (ANC), would be sorely tested as they tried to find solutions to problems which ANC and government negotiators have failed to solve over the past six weeks.

Political violence in black townships and a campaign of protest action by the ANC have stalled the peace process and threaten to delay the start of full-blown negotiations toward a new constitution to enfranchise the black majority.

Mr. De Klerk has hit out at the ANC's campaign of "mass action" -- consumer boycotts, protests and strikes -- saying it is destabilising the country and hindering the creation of a climate of peace.

Mr. Mandela, meanwhile, has warned that if the government is not prepared to contain the violence, the ANC will not continue to talk peace.

Since August, more than 800 people have died in Johannesburg's townships in fierce fighting between ANC supporters and hostel dwellers who back Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom Party. Another 11 people were killed late Monday in an attack on a squatter camp near here.

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#90331d4140 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 27) - Japan's top carmaker Toyota Motor Corp. said Tuesday it would invest 800 million dollars on a second car plant in the United States as part of a strategy to boost U.S. sales by 50 percent over five years.

Toyota, the country's biggest company and the world's third-largest carmaker, said in a statement that the plant would be located on the site of Toyota's existing Georgetown plant in Kentucky.

"The expansion means future production could grow by as much as 200,000 units annually and will result in at least 1,500 new American jobs," it said.

Toyota said the construction of the new plant would begin early next year and was targetted to be completed in late 1993.

The existing plant already has the capacity to produce 240,000 vehicles a year and currently makes about 215,000. Toyota also has a joint venture with General Motors Corp. in California, producing about 100,000 Toyota cars a year.

The proposed investment is part of Toyota's strategy to boost sales in the United States from around one million vehicles a year to 1.5 million vehicles over the next five years.

"In addition to allowing Toyota to increase the percentage of American-made vehicles its sells in the United States, the expansion will provide new opportunities for U.S. auto suppliers," the statement said.

Toyota gave no further details although a senior company official was quoted as saying local content at the Kentucky plant would be raised from 65 percent to 75 percent as a result of the investment.

The expansion is likely to lead to increased exports of Toyota cars from the United States, the statement added, noting that the existing plant already exports cars to Taiwan and plans to start exporting to Japan in 1992.

Despite being Japan's biggest carmaker, Toyota lags behind third-ranked Honda Motor Co. Ltd. in terms of car sales in the United States due to its rival's more extensive local facilities. Honda's plants have the capacity to manufacture more than 500,000 cars a year and currently produce about 460,000.

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#90331d4230 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) - Sales of existing homes in the United States fell 4.7 percent in October to their lowest level since February 1985, a real estate trade group said Tuesday.

The National Association of Realtors said house resales totalled a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 3.02 million, down from 3.17 million in September.

The lowest previous sales rate was in Feburary 1985 when the total dropped to 2.95 million.

The realtors association also said that the median price of an existing home was 92,800 in October, down 1.7 percent from September - a sign that sellers are lowering prices in a buyers market.

Sales have been dampened by persistent deficit problems, a general economic sluggishness nationwide and the threat of war against Iraq, said NAR President Harley Rouda.

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#90331d4300 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 27) - Chinese philosopher Feng Youlan has died at the age of 95 the New China News Agency (NCNA) said Tuesday.

Mr. Feng, who earned his doctorate in philosophy at Columbia University in New York, received a chair at Beijing University in 1952, and was a historian of Chinese philosophy.

Closely allied with the communist government, Mr. Feng sought to recast China's pre-1949 philosophy in a Marxist light.

In 1955, he was inducted into the Academy of Social Sciences and became a Communist Party central committee member. But one year later he was criticised for an article that appeared during the 100 Flowers Campaign -- when intellectuals were encouraged to express themselves freely -- arguing that some traditional philosophical concepts should be rehabilitated.

He was to be labelled a revisionist several times, before being publicly accused of being a "counter-revolutionary" in 1968, two years after the start of the Cultural Revolution (1966-1976). He subsequently had to quit all his official duties.

The philospher He did not reappear until 1972. He rejoined Beijing University the following year and in 1983 he was reinstated in the party central committee.

NCNA failed to mention the periods when Mr. Feng was out of favour with the authorities. It described him as a "noted educationalist and patriotic personage."

His works included the two-volume "History of Chinese Philosophy" and "New History of Chinese Philosophy," which came out 30 years after he wrote it.

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#90331d4450 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (NOV. 27) - The presidents of Brazil and Argentina will sign an

agreement Wednesday renouncing completely the production of nuclear weapons in their countries, moving South America into a denuclearized era.

Argentine President Carlos Saul Menem and Brazilian President Fernando Collor de Mello will sign the treaty at Foz do Iguacu, Brazil at the spectacular Iguazu falls on the border between the two countries.

Diplomats from the two countries call the accord "historic", as it will lay to rest a regional rivalry that in recent decades served to justify secret nuclear programs by the military in both nations.

Brazilian Science and Technology Minister Jose Goldemberg said the two governments will have mutual treaty verification rights, and that the accord will finally eliminate "the phantom of war nourished by both nations."

These rivalries over the years have enabled military officials to intervene "for strategic reasons" to prevent the construction of roads, bridges and railways across the borders of the neighboring countries.

On signing the Foz do Iguacu accord the two South American countries will fall into line with the Tlatelolco Treaty which calls for a Latin America free of nuclear arms.

Cuba is the only other Latin American country that does not recognize the treaty of Tlatelolco.

The Argentine-Brazilian agreement also includes planned exchanges of electro-nuclear equipment by the Brazilian power plant d'Angra and Argentina's Atocha reactor.

Another consequence of the accord will to pick up the trail of 200 tonnes of uranium secretly imported by Brazil from China in the early 1980s and dispersed among several military research programs.

Mr. Collor's administration has given priority to halting all nuclear research for military purposes and has sealed a giant pit in the Amazon region that was to be used for nuclear tests.

The Argentine-Brazilian agreement was reached after six months of negotiations and will be monitored by the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna.

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#90331d4460 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 27) - Soviet exports of oil to members of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) have been maintained although exports to eastern Europe are expected to have fallen by 25 per cent to 30 per cent in 1990, Cambridge Energy Research Associates (CERA) reported.

But CERA in the recent report did not rule out the possibility that Soviet supplies to OECD countries might decline in coming months.

Soviet exports to OECD countries in August were 200,000 barrels per day above the level a year earlier, and this trend had continued in September and in October, they said.

During the first nine months of 1990 these exports totalled 66.9 million tonnes compared with 65.27 million tonnes during the same period of the previous year.

The level had been maintained despite falling production because of a decline in domestic consumption caused by severe recession in the Soviet Union, the report said.

However, supplies to OECD countries had been maintained at the expense of countries in eastern Europe.

Since the beginning of the Gulf crisis, the Soviet Union had accelerated its policy of substituting gas for oil in exports to eastern Europe. The reduction of oil exports to these countries had gathered pace in the second half of the year.

For the whole year exports to eastern Europe were expected to fall to between one million and 1.5 million barrels per day compared with 1.5 million barrels per day last year, while exports to Cuba of 80,000 barrels per day in 1989 had been halted.

A draft Soviet budget presented on Monday to the federal parliament said that total Soviet exports were likely to fall by half next year and that output would fall to 560 million tonnes from 575 million tonnes in 1989.

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#90331d4580 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (NOV. 27) - President Hussain Mohammad Ershad Tuesday proclaimed a state of emergency in Bangladesh for the second time in three years to counter a mounting opposition campaign for his resignation.

The announcement was made by President Ershad in an unscheduled address over state-run Bangladesh Television and Radio.

It came shortly after troops in armoured vehicles had moved out of the Dhaka garrison to enforce an indefinite curfew imposed on the violence-gripped capital.

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#90331d4630 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 27) - Some 70 Italian hostages of about 280 held by Iraq will be allowed to leave Wednesday, Italian embassy sources said late Tuesday.

The Italians, whose release was authorized by President Saddam Hussein following the intercession of Monsignor Hilarion Capucci, the Greek Catholic Archbishop of Jerusalem, will head for Amman on board an Iraqi Airways jet, they said.

The hostages will then transfer to an Alitalia flight for Rome, they added.

The announcement Saturday of their release coincided with the arrival here of an Italian plane carrying 25 tonnes of medicines and children's vaccines sent by Italian pharmaceutical companies, with the approval of the government in Rome.

Earlier Tuesday, 10 Britons, five Germans and three Americans flew from Baghdad to the Jordanian capital aboard a regular Iraqi Airways flight after being authorized to leave Iraq.

They had been held since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

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#90331d4650 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV 27) - The European Economic Community (EEC)'s executive commission wants to extend until end-1991 a ban on the use of the hormone somatotropine in milk production, a commission spokesman said here Tuesday.

He said the delay, requested by farm Commissioner Ray MacSharry, would give the commission time to collect new data on the effects of the hormone, which increases the yield of dairy cattle by at least 10 percent.

A temporary ban on commercial use of somatotropine, manufactured by the U.S. firm Monsanto and the British firm Lilly among others, was first imposed by the EEC in 1989.

Critics of the hormone say its use is counter-productive at a time when the EEC produces a big subsidised surplus of milk and when small farmers are being threatened by the huge output of agro-business.

The EEC placed a blanket ban on the use of growth hormones since 1988, but somatotropine has escaped this ban because, under current EEC regulations, it is classified not as a hormone but as a veterinary medicine.

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#90331d4670 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUENOS AIRES (NOV 27) - President Carlos Menem has authorized layoffs of 122,000 public employees over a three year period starting January 1 in an effort to streamline government operations and save 1.5 billion dollars a year.

The plan, which Mr. Menem signed late Monday, targets the department of education, customs and civilian workforce of the armed forces for most of the layoffs.

The Argentine government currently employs some 700,000 people.

Since assuming office 17 months ago, Mr. Menem has sought to strip back the bureaucracy and privatize money-losing state enterprises to pull the country out of a financial quagmire resulting from its 63 billion dollar foreign debt.

Under the plan, many of the public employees ware to be sent into forced retirement or pressed into voluntary early retirement.

The Interamerican Development Bank, based in Washington, will assist the Argentine government in financing compensation schemes for government workers choosing voluntary retirement, government officials said.

A special commission of experts from the private sector will be put in charge of retraining programs for laid-off government employees, they added.

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#90331d4700 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WOLFSBURG, Germany (NOV 27) - The Volkswagen car factory here on Tuesday built the 12 millionth Golf car since the model was launched in 1974.

In Germany there are 2.48 million Golf cars, representing 8.2 percent of all cars on German roads.

The Golf, known in the United States as the Rabbit, is built in factories in Germany, Belgium, Yugoslavia, Mexico and South Africa at the rate of 4,000 per day.

Since 1982 the Golf, which accounts for more than 30 percent of Volkswagen output, has been the best-selling car in Europe.

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#90331d4930 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV 27) - Stanislaw Tyminski, the political unknown who took a surprising second place in Poland's presidential elections, Tuesday promised to lower taxes if elected in the December 9 runoffs.

"The country is in deep crisis ... There is time for a change, and I offered this possibility through my candidacy in this important election for my country," Mr. Tyminski said in an interview aired on CBS Television.

In Sunday's presidential elections in Poland, Mr. Tyminki, 42, came in second with 23 percent of the vote in a stunning upset that knocked Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki out of the running.

Solidarity leader Lech Walesa led the polls with 40 per cent pf the vote.

Asked how he could improve on Mr. Mazowiecki's 15-month-old government, Mr. Tyminski said: "Just a structural change of our tax system so we have similar conditions to those that exist in the United States, where people are free to have disposable income."

"Since the second war (World War II) we have the same tax system ... the words have changed, but not the system," he added.

Mr. Tyminski, who left Poland in 1969 to pursue a carreer in business in Peru and Canada, rebuffed charges that he was a newcomer to politics, recalling that last May he was elected leader of the ultraconservative Libertarian Party of Canada, which has some 3,500 members.

He also said that while he lived in Peru, he became "very active in politics because of the poverty in the country ... starting in 1981."

Mr. Tyminksi, 42, holds passports from Poland, Canada and Peru.

The self-made millonaire said "scare tactics" from the "Stalin days in the 1950s" were still being used in Poland, alluding to threats he may be tried for having accused Mr. Mazowiecki of betraying his people economically.

"I hope to gain immunity as the president on the 9th of December, and then there will be no problem," he added.

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#90331d5030 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV 27) - Renovating the Reichsbahn, the decrepit state-owned railway of east Germany, is one of the toughest tasks facing the post-unification government in Bonn.

The network was paralysed Tuesday as employees continued an unlimited strike for higher wages and job guarantees in a challenge to the government ahead of Sunday's parliamentary election.

Transport Minister Friedrich Zimmermann says the decaying network can only be brought up to western levels if overmanning is reduced and up to 100 billion

Deutsche marks (71 billion dollars) are injected over the next 10 years.

That the old name of the company -- "Reichsbahn" means "imperial railway" -- remained unchanged throughout four decades of Communist rule seemed to symbolise its low priority in state investment.

It has a network of 14,000 kilometers (8,750 miles) of which 3,500 kms (2,187 miles) are electrified. By comparison, west Germany's heavily-subsidised Deutsche Bundesbahn (DB) has a network of 27,400 kms (17,125 miles), of which 13,000 kms (8,100) are electrified.

While the DB operates gleaming trans-European expresses that can race up to 250 kph (156 mph), the top speed on the Reichsbahn is just 120 kph (75 mph).

The reason: nearly 11 million concrete sleepers are discovered to have been badly made, and are crumbling.

The east German rolling stock, too, is also ancient. It still has 263 steam locomotives in regular use. The DB has none.

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#90331d5160 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (NOV 27) - The electrical industry in western Germany expects a six percent growth rate this year and between four and five percent next year despite pressures on foreign markets, an official said here Tuesday.

Professor Rudolf Scheid, managing director of the electrical and electronics industry federation (Zvei), said orders were 8.4 percent up in the first nine months of 1990 against the previous year.

Domestic investment and consumer demand were expected to continue on a high level while foreign orders would not go up at the same rate, he said.

The industry employs 1.1 million people, an increase of 2.3 percent or 25,000 persons during the first nine months. Production of household goods was running at full capacity while producers of investment goods operated at 86 percent of capacity, Scheid said.

Another Zvei official drew a grim picture of the electrical industry in the former East Germany. He said consumer demand had turned almost entirely to Western-made goods.

The biggest problem was that exports to the former East Bloc countries would probably collapse next year, said Zvei manager Bodo Boettcher.

Products from eastern Germany were often not competitive. The government had cut export price subsidies, and eastern European countries lacked hard cash to

pay for for imports.

Boettcher said in eastern Germany, only companies with a strong western German firm backing them had a chance to survive.

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#90331d5240 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 27) - Michael Heseltine announced Tuesday he was pulling out of the race to become the next British prime minister making it virtually certain that Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major will replace Margaret Thatcher.

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#90331d5500 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (NOV. 27) - A tank-led Israeli force crossed the border into southern Lebanon Tuesday evening hours after five Israeli soldiers and two Palestinian guerrillas were killed in a fierce firefight in the area, security sources said.

About 500 Israeli regulars in 40 tanks and armoured personnel carriers took up positions at the edge of the so-called security zone facing the Bekaa Valley southeast of Beirut.

Another force of 40 soldiers and four armoured personnel carriers advanced outside the zone into the villages of Mimes and Markaba. They fired flares before combing the landscape with machineguns and grenades.

Earlier, Israeli soldiers who had been flown in by helicopter intercepted a group of heavily armed Palestinians near the village of Shaba'a, seven kilometres from the Israel-Lebanon border.

The group was identified as belonging to the Damascus-based Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (Pflp) headed by George Habash. Although Israeli sources spoke of four guerrillas, a Pflp spokesman said there had been 13, one of whom was reported missing.

Following the clash, Israeli warplanes bombed guerrilla positions near the South Lebanese city of Sidon, 40 kilometres south of Beirut. Lebanese police said six people died and 10 were wounded in the strikes.

An Israeli army spokesman said the targets were staging posts for attacks against Israel by fighters loyal to Abu Nidal and Na'if Hawatme. All targets were hit and the planes returned safely to base, an official communique said.

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#90331d5600 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 27) - John Major pledged here Tuesday that as prime minister he would unite the Conservative Party and lead it to win a fourth consecutive general election.

In a brief appearance in front of his official residence at No. 11 Downing Street, Mr. Major said he "will endeavor to discharge my responsibilities to the best of my abilities."

Flanked by his wife Norma, he added: "We're going to unite totally and absolutely and we're going to win the next general elections."

His remarks came after he met outgoing Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher who was said to be "thrilled" by Mr. Major's victory in a vote for the next Tory party leader and thus prime minister.

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#90331d5680 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 27) - U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar Tuesday asked the Security Council to extend the mandates of U.N. peace keeping forces posted along the Iran-Iraq border and between Israel and Syria in the Golan Heights.

Mr. Cuellar told the Security Council that Iraq had requested a six month extension for the the U.N. Military Observer Group in Iran and Iraq, while its former foe to the east had asked for only a two-month extension.

The secretary general welcomed the fact that both countries had decided to release all prisoners of war taken during their eight-year war, which ended in 1988, and to retreat to internationally established boundaries.

But he noted that "the fundamental change in the relations between the two countries has come at a time of new crisis for the region," referring to the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar also asked the Security Council to extend for six months the mandate of the U.N. Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF) deployed in the Golan Heights between Israel and Syria.

In his report, the U.N. Secretary General said that "despite the present quiet in the Israeli-Syria sector, the situation in the Middle East as a whole continues to be potentially dangerous and is likely to remain so, unless and until a comprehensive settlement covering all aspects of the Middle East problem can be reached."

The FNUOD was created in 1974 and its mandate has been renovated on a semi-annual basis.

The Security Ciuncil is expected to approve Mr. Perez de Cuellar's requests next Friday.

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#90331d6120 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MUSCAT (NOV 27) - Sheikh Salem al-Sabah, the interior minister of Kuwait's government-in-exile, Tuesday rejected any dialogue with Iraq before it agrees to withdraw troops from all Kuwaiti territory.

His remarks came in a statement to the Kuwaiti News Agency (Kuna) at the end of a two-day official visit to Muscat during which he conveyed an oral message on the Gulf crisis from exiled Kuwaiti Emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, to Omani Ruler, Sultan Qabus bin Said.

''A dialogue with Iraq should be based on the Iraqi government's full commitment to implement the resolutions of the Arab League, the Organisation of Islamic Conference and the United Nations Organisation. After that, dialogue is possible,'' said Salem, commenting on Qabus' call on Omani National Day (November 18) for dialogue among the parties involved in the Gulf conflict.

These resolutions, which Iraq has rejected, provide for a total and unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait and the reinstatement of the Jaber government there.

Salem said the U.S.-led 300,000-strong multinational force in the Gulf had the specific objective and strategy of forcing Iraq out of Kuwait.

War would inevitably break out in the Gulf if Iraq continued to reject international calls for pulling its troops out of Kuwait, he added.

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#90331d6160 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker has invited China's Foreign Minister Qian Quichen to Washington for talks after an impending U.N. Security Council vote on Iraq, the State Department announced Tuesday.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said Mr. Qian was expected in here Friday after the security council vote on a resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq if Baghdad doesn't withdraw its forces from Kuwait.

Mr. Qian was to be in New York Thursday for a security council meeting at the foreign minister level at which the vote on the U.S.-sponsored resolution was to be held.

One of five permanent members of the security council with veto power, China

has not said it will vote in favor of the resolution but has let it be understood it would not oppose it.

Mr. Qian's meeting with Mr. Baker would be their fifth since U.S. President George Bush imposed sanctions against China June 20, 1989 in the wake of the Tiananmen Square massacre.

"Given China's role as a permanent member of the Security Council of the U.N. and our common interest in advancing a range of global and regional issues, including Cambodia, we believed it useful to invite Foreign Minister Qian Quichen to Washington for a comprehensive review of those matters as well as an in-depth discussion of bilateral issues," Mr. Boucher said.

Mr. Boucher stressed that the meeting did not mean a change in U.S. policy toward China, under which high-level exchanges with Beijing have been suspended.

"We've always made a distinction between contacts and exchanges," he said.

The Bush administration, however, intends "to explore ways to strengthen cooperation on global and regional issues and seek understandings on ways to achieve improvement in our bilateral relations, including further progress in the area of human rights that would permit a gradual return to normal high level exchanges."

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#90331d6180 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAMAKO (NOV. 27) - West African leaders opened a special summit here Tuesday over ways to end Liberia's 11-month civil war.

Thirteen heads of state from the 16-nation of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) attended the group's opening session.

In his welcoming address, Malian President Moussa Traore said it was time to "bring a definitive end" to the crisis whch had already lasted too long by "turning the page on the past" and finding concrete solutions.

He added the community should demonstrate its determination and capacity to resolve the conflict through dialogue.

For his part, Ugandan President Youweri Museveni, current chairman of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) said it was time that the situation of armed conflict was changed to situation of peace.

"It is not necessary to fight to the end" in search of democracy, he said, adding that the combattants should "rise to the occasion" and put the interests of Liberia over those of the separate factions.

Mr. Museveni said after years of wars, his country has since 1986 "ushered in an era of reconciliation" where "the enemies of yesterday are now members of government.

"We've done it in Uganda, and it can be done in Liberia," he said.

Gambian President Dawda Jawara, who is current ECOWAS chairiman, said the meeting "offers hope, perhaps the last hope" to reach a lasting solution to the "Liberian tragedy."

He added that the reponsibility to finding a solution the the crisis "lies squarely on our shouldiers."

The Gambian president said the group needed "speedy action" to end the conflict in which many West Africans have been killed or trapped in the war-wracked country.

A U.N. official told Agence France-Presse here that the number of Liberians taking refuge in neighboring Sierra Leone, Guinea and the Ivory Coast has reached 700,000.

Sir Dawda said a West African intervention force, known as ECOMOG had succeded in its task by evacuating thousands of people from Liberia and by "making Monrovia and its environment safe enough" for the arrival of an ECOWAS-backed interim government last week led by Amos Sawyer and relief supplies for Liberians in the capital.

The force, comprising troops from Nigeria, Ghana, Sierra Leone, the Gambia and Guinea, has driven back Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) rebels, who charged that Nigerian jets had bombed their positions in western Cape Mount and Lofa counties Monday and Tuesday.

The meeting got underway more than an hour late because of apparent difficulties during informal discussions between the main rebel leader, Charles Taylor and members of ECOWAS' mediation committee, led by Sierra Leone's President Joseph Momoh and Malian head of state, Moussa Traore.

Sources close to the conference said problems arose when Mr. Taylor said he would sign sought-after ceasefire agreement if the interim government, set up by Liberian politicians and exiles in August in the Gambia under ECOWAS auspices, resigns.

Mr. Taylor, who has declared himself president and who has set up his own administration in northern Liberia, has refused to recognize th interim government, which is a main element in ECOWAS's peace plan.

Following the opening ceremony, heads of state continued their discussions

behind closed doors. According to the official summet program, the meeting is to end Wednesday morning.

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#90331d6410 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 27) - A U.S. Navy cruiser intercepted a German cargo ship in the northern Red Sea November 22, carrying "two heavy boxes on board that couldn't be opened," a Pentagon spokesman said Tuesday.

The cruiser Biddle intercepted and turned away the German-registered cargo ship Premier, whose manifest "had been changed several times," Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said.

The cargo ship refused to reveal the origin or destination of its load.

Due to the multiple manifest changes, the Biddle forced the Premier to turn back.

Asked about the ship's new destination, the Pentagon spokesman said ,"We don't tell them where to go. We simply say, 'You can't go there, you can't go to that destination'. It's up to them to decide where to go."

Mr. Williams did not supply details on the Premier's mysterious load, citing the U.S. Defense Department policy of not describing the cargo of inspected ships.

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#90331d6430 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV 27) - Saudi Arabia is to make a four-billion-dollar loan to the Soviet Union, with which the Gulf kingdom renewed diplomatic relations in September, Tass news agency said Tuesday.

The announcement came at the end of a meeting here between President Mikhail Gorbachev and Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal.

The agency added that Mr. Gorbachev and King Fahd had also invited each other to exchange official visits.

Mr. Gorbachev and Prince Saud agreed that Iraq's military potential and the ambitions of the country's leadership constituted a danger, even for countries far removed from the Gulf region, said Tass.

The two leaders once again condemned Iraq's occupation of Kuwait and said the adoption of a new U.N. Security Council resolution should achieve a just solution to the crisis.

The Saudi envoy arrived here Tuesday less than 24 hours after Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz had talks in Moscow with the Soviet leadership.

Mr. Gorbachev's spokesman Vitaly Ignantenko said earlier Tuesday that the meeting with Mr. Aziz had been "very tough", adding that the "participants parted on cold terms. There was a very sharp exchange, related especially to the problem of the hostages."

Moscow has made it clear it will vote for a Security Council resolution with a clear-cut deadline for the withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait and the liberation of the hostages.

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#90331d6550 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (NOV. 27) - A greek student shot dead two professors after bursting into a lecture hall at a university computer centre on the island of Crete Tuesday evening.

The 30-year-old student severly wounded two other professors and two students in the shooting before he fled. Police mounted a manhunt.

Eyewitnesses said the student aimed a hunting rifle directly at the lectern in the hall at Heraklion. Police said they had not been able to determine a motive for the attack.

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#90331d6590 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV 27) - Soviet servicemen were ordered to use arms in the event of violence and armed attacks on soldiers or military facilities in the union republics, Soviet Defence Minister Dmitry Yazov said Tuesday, the official Tass news agency reported.

Yazov said ''actions against the army have become more frequent lately,'' adding that independent army units were being formed in separate republics. Attacks had been made on military installations and there were cases of the honour and dignity of servicemen and their famiies being impaired.

In the event of unlawful actions against military garrisons, such as the cutting off of electricity and water, commanders were ordered to put the facilities and life support systems under strict guard.

Servicemen were also instructed to act ''decisively to counteract the erection of monuments and other forms of glorifying facists and their hirelings and to eliminate the already existing symbols of this kind,'' said Yazov.

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#90331d6800 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (NOV. 27) - Soviet soldiers have been given new orders for dealing with unrest in the country's constituent republics, and are now authorized to open fire if they or their installations come under attack, Defence Minister Dmitri Yazov said here Tuesday.

In a filmed statement, Marshal Yazov said the new rules were being enacted on orders from President Mikhail Gorbachev in order to respond to "illegal measures by republics," which threatened the defence of the Soviet Union.

In particular, actions by Soviet republics to set up their own armed forces were "illegal and contrary to the country's defence imperatives," the minister said.

Thefts of arms from military bases, "vandalism against monuments" and "attacks on the honour of soldiers" would not be admitted, he added.

Among other regulations, the minister announced that in the event of local services, such as electricity supply, being withdrawn from troops, the facilities in question would be placed under military control.

The Soviet armed forces "should be in the service of the people," Marshal Yazov said.

Earlier on Tuesday Mr. Gorbachev issued a decree obliging the local authorities in areas where troops are based to register them, so that they receive the same benefits as the civilian population.

In strongly nationalist areas, the local authorities have recently taken to withdrawing benefits and services to military bases.

Commenting on the new rules, Mr. Gorbachev said he had "ordered the defence minister to defend the armed forces against attacks and humiliations."

He added that incidents such as armed attacks on military bases "have nothing to do with democracy.

"They are hysteria. If things go on like this, we'll have to let perestroika go to the devil," he said, referring to his restructuring programme.

"We have to stop the extremists," Mr. Gorbachev said.

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#90331d6820 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 27) - U.S. President George Bush telephoned John Major Tuesday to congratulate him on his election as leader of the Conservative party and

thus as the new prime minister of Britain, sources in 10 Downing Street said.

Mr. Bush, who was en route from Mexico to Washington, told Mr. Major he hoped they would be able to meet soon, the sources said.

Mr. Major was given a warm reception by Conservative MPs' in the House of Commons later Tuesday night, where members were voting on an Opposition motion condemning a government bill on teachers' pay.

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#90331d6880 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (NOV. 27) - Iranian President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani met here Tuesday with North Korean armed forces minister, O Jin-U, who handed him a message from North Korean President Kim Il Sung.

Teheran Radio said Mr. Rafsanjani hailed Mr. Kim as "a friend of the Islamic revolution" and described his collaboration with Iran during the war with Iraq as "unforgettable."

The Iranian leader expressed "the desire of the government to develop and deepen relations with North Korea," according to the radio.

O Jin-U, who is heading a 31-member military delegation, said North Korea "will continue its loyalty to the Islamic republic."

"Independence struggles waged against imperialism are an essential factor in relations between Teheran and Pyongyang," he added.

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#90331d7060 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (NOV. 28) - British Labour Party member of parliament Tony Benn met on Tuesday with the speaker of the Iraqi parliament, Saadi Mahdi Saleh, the Iraqi News Agency said in a report monitored here.

Mr. Benn, whose mission to Iraq has not been endorsed by his party, arrived earlier Tuesday to discuss peace moves to settle the Gulf crisis and seek the release of British hostages.

Mr. Saleh, during talks with Mr. Benn, stressed the "need to examine all issues in the region according to the same criteria," INA said.

Mr. Benn underlined the "right of all peoples to life," according to INA, which said the MP expressed his "solidarity with the Iraqi people, faced with military and economic threats."

INA also published a statement by Mr. Benn which called on the United Nations

to play a role in finding peaceful solutions for the region within an Arab framework.

Some 800 Britons are being held against their will in Iraq, including 300 at strategic sites to deter a feared attack from U.S.-led multinational forces that deployed in the Gulf following the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

More than 500 Britons are also reported to be living in hiding in Kuwait. In London, a Foreign Office spokesman said Monday that 60 Britons formerly held at strategic sites in the occupied Gulf kingdom had been moved to the Melia al-Mansour hotel in Baghdad.

The spokesman would not confirm reports that the Britons were to be freed and handed over to Mr. Benn.

Separately, 10 British hostages authorized to leave Iraq on Saturday in response to requests put to President Saddam Hussein by their wives arrived in the Jordanian capital Amman on Tuesday.

Britain's Conservative government under outgoing Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher has been among Iraq's harshest critics over its almost four-month-old occupation of Kuwait.

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#90331d7140 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 28) - France, alongside Indonesia, is ready to convene a new international conference on Cambodia on condition that the Cambodian parties to the conflict settle their "remaining differences," Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said here on Tuesday.

Speaking in parliament here, Mr. Dumas said that France "without yielding to discouragement, has made ever-increasing efforts to restart the negotiation process, which was threatening to get bogged down in indifference, particularly from the superpowers."

France and Indonesia are the two co-chairmen of the Paris International Conference on Cambodia, which last met in August but failed to reach a conclusion.

However, at the weekend officials from the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council -- Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the United States -- plus the two chairmen, met here and agreed on the basic documents for a future Cambodian settlement.

All that remains now is for the Vietnamese-backed Phnom Penh government and the three resistance factions opposing it to agree on concrete steps, particularly the exact composition of a future transitional authority to run

the country.

Mr. Dumas said that France wanted to "allow the former Indochina, the misery of which makes a striking contrast with the prosperity of the southeast Asian region, to at last get down to the tasks of reconstruction."

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#90331d7170 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (NOV 27) - Asylum-seekers including a Chinese doctor who treated wounded protesters in the Tiananmen massacre have been unnecessarily held in refugee centers in the United States, a private group said Tuesday.

Instead, the government should expand a pilot program in which 200 refugees were allowed to live in U.S. communities pending a ruling on their asylum request, the Lawyers Committee for Human Rights said.

Those 200 candidates were required to post a 500-dollar bond to ensure they would not disappear, and in almost all cases they reported promptly for immigration hearings in New York, Miami, Los Angeles and San Francisco, the group said.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) is currently holding some 2,000 refugees in its own facilities, privately-run centers and federal and state jails pending a decision by the government on whether to repatriate them.

At the beginning of the year those refugees included people from China, Afghanistan, El Salvador and Iraq.

"The success of the pilot release program mandates an end to the unnecessary detention of refugees in the United States," the committee said.

The panel has asked INS commissioner Gene McNary to expand the pilot project, but the agency says it is too early to do that.

INS spokesman Duke Austin said the plan was due to last 18 months and "we're not yet through a full cycle of events." The refugees released into the community have agreed to report for deportation if the government decides they do not qualify for asylum.

"We'll wait to see what happens," he said, referring to the possibility of refugees absconding.

Among those held in detention centers before being released in the pilot program was a 29-year-old surgery professor who treated wounded demonstrators in the June 1989 crackdown on pro-democracy ferment in Beijing, the group said. That unidentified doctor spent three months detained in Miami.

Under a 1982 INS regulation, foreigners who arrive without required travel documents are detained unless they are found to pose no risk of disappearing and can get a relative or sponsor in this country to file a petition on their behalf.

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#90331d7580 11/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (NOV. 28) - Indonesia's balance of payments for the current fiscal year ending in March is estimated to post a surplus of around 1.88 billion dollars, Finance Minister Johannes Sumarlin has said.

"The surplus is a result of a significant lowering of the current account deficit, especially following an increase in net capital inflow," Mr. Sumarlin was quoted by newspapers here as telling a parliamentary committee hearing Tuesday.

Mr. Sumarlin said the current account in the second half of the fiscal year 1990-91 is estimated to record a deficit of only 46 million dollars compared to 2.48 billion dollars for the first six months.

He said he based his figures for the current account -- measuring only transactions of commodities and services -- on projections of the country's total exports and imports for the second half of the fiscal year.

Total exports would stand at 13.96 billion dollars, up 17.2 per cent from the first semester, while imports would reach 14 billion dollars, up 2.7 per cent over the first half of the fiscal year.

Net capital inflow for the second semester was also projected to increase from 1.51 billion dollars in the first half of the fiscal year to 1.93 billion dollars in the second half, Mr. Sumarlin said.

The minister also said that the country's foreign exchange reserves, which he said stood at 6.82 billion dollars last month and which is estimated to reach 8.4 billion dollars by March, were more than enough to cushion the effects of a fall in foreign aid and lower world oil prices.

Indonesian oil and gas export revenues account for almost half of the state's revenue.

He assured Indonesians that the government saw no need to devalue the local currency, the rupiah, because of its determination to keep inflation rate down to a single digit through strict monetary measures and the presence of sufficient foreign exchange reserves.

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#90331e0013 11/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Berlin (NOV. 27) EFE - Some 260,000 striking rail workers paralyzed rail traffic in eastern Germany for the second day Tuesday, while union leaders warned that the walkout over more pay and job security could spread to the west, the ADN news agency reported.

Quoting Trade Union leader Rudi Schaefer, ADN said unionists in western Germany had to prevent large numbers of rail workers from joining the protest in solidarity with their eastern colleagues.

The strike began Monday, less than a week before pan-German elections.

All passenger and freight trains - except suburban services - were halted in eastern Germany Tuesday, while trains running from the west to the east were severely reduced.

Railway authorities estimated that some 150,000 people were affected by the strike, the first major labor dispute since German unification.

Union officials have said that metropolitan services in Berlin, Leipzig, Halle and Rostock might also be halted during off-peak hours if no agreement was is reached with the eastern German rail transport management.

The strike was called in demand of wage increases and in protest at plans to lay off some 68,000 workers.

East German railway workers earn roughly one-third of what their western German counterparts are paid.

German unification, which took effect October 3, has brought high prices, rising unemployment and an end to subsidies in eastern Germany.

But in Sunday's pan-German elections, the ruling Christian Democrats, the architects of unification, are expected to remain the leading political force and continue their coalition with the liberal Free Democrats.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl has promised east Germans that unification will raise their living standards rapidly.

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#90331e0015 11/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Paris (NOV. 27) EFE - Libyan-backed Chadian rebels have inflicted a heavy defeat on the Chadian Army, French military sources said Tuesday, adding that President Hissene Habre had only narrowly escaped when the column he was leading was ambushed.

But Chad's state radio Tuesday denied rebel claims that 1,200 Army troops were

killed in the battle with Patriotic Salvation Movement (MPS) rebels on Sunday.

It also said the Army had recaptured three towns near the central African nation's eastern border with Sudan, but that heavy fighting was continuing near a French garrison at Abeche.

France has a heavy military presence in its former colony.

The MPS claimed Monday it had routed two Army units over the weekend and was in hot pursuit of Habre who had been leading the Army in its widescale sweep.

It said the rebels had seized the command vehicle and personal documents belonging to Habre, who is believed to have fled on foot.

French Army sources in Paris Tuesday confirmed Habre had only narrowly avoided capture when the heavily-armed column he was leading was ambushed and routed.

The MPS has also claimed that 30 high-ranking officers have deserted to their side and that they captured 30 lorries loaded with arms and provisions in the ambush.

Diplomatic sources in the capital, N'Djamena, said the Army was facing heavy resistance and that Habre had not been seen in public for two days.

The MPS is led by Idris Deby, a former Armed Force chief who fled to Sudan last year after a failed coup.

Deby is said to have a deep personal grudge against Habre who ordered the killing of his cousin, Hasan Yumus, a national hero from past frontier wars with neighboring Libya, although he supported Habre when he took power in 1982.

Libya has renounced its previous claims on parts of northern Chad. But Habre says it is backing the MPS. , which his government refers to as the Islamic Legion.

Although the French Army has intervened in previous disputes between Chad and Libya, defense ministry sources in Paris said it would not get involved in a civil war, despite calls for assistance from Habre's government.

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#90331e0044 11/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LIMA (NOV 27) EFE - More than 90 percent of the 600,000 Peruvian state workers who went on strike just under two weeks ago have returned to work, the Labor Ministry said Tuesday.

Despite the back-to-work movement, union leaders have declined to "officially" call off the strike begun November 15 until the government signs a pact with

workers to guarantee an emergency wage agreement.

Prime Minister Juan Carlos Hurtado Miller last week offered the striking workers an emergency package for November of dlrs 45 and another of dlrs 90 for December.

Confederation of State Workers chief Luis Iparraguirre called the package "insufficient" but said the fact that workers were returning reflected their willingness to end the strike.

Iparraguirre has asked the government to sign a pact to guarantee the package, but the government has declined saying the "word of the prime minister is sufficient."

Labor Minister Carlos Torres y Torres-Lara said he would meet in January with business and union leaders to work out pay increases for public and private sector workers.

The government of President Alberto Fujimori implemented drastic austerity measures in August aimed at stabilizing the crisi-hit economy and reducing hyperinflation.

Meanwhile, teachers at state-run schools have called a 24-hour strike Wednesday to demand better salaries.

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#90331f1794 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesday as supplied by NASD:

Volume	114,600,200
Advances	1,119
Declines	718
Unchanged	2,361
Total	4,198

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#90331h0015 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 27) XINHUA - TOURISM IS EXPECTED TO EARN KENYA 10 BILLION KENYAN SHILLINGS (ABOUT 420 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN 1990, SAID AN ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND WILDLIFE.

THE RULING PARTY NEWSPAPER "KENYA TIMES" TODAY QUOTED MR. MOODY AWORI AS SAYING THAT RECEIPTS OF TOURISM AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL EXPORTS INCREASED FROM 7.9 PERCENT IN 1963 WHEN KENYA GAINED INDEPENDENCE FROM BRITAIN TO 37 PERCENT AND 42 PERCENT IN 1988 AND 1989 RESPECTIVELY.

HE NOTED THAT TOURISM HAS PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE IN THE EAST AFRICAN COUNTRY'S ECONOMY, PARTICULARLY AFTER THE FALL IN PRICES OF KENYA'S TRADITIONAL EXPORTS -- COFFEE AND TEA -- IN THE WORLD MARKET.

TOURIST TRADE, OVERTAKING COFFEE AND TEA, HAS BECOME THE COUNTRY'S LARGEST FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNER. IT EARNED KENYA 6.9 BILLION SHILLINGS AND 8.6 BILLION SHILLINGS IN 1988 AND 1989 RESPECTIVELY.

THE KENYAN GOVERNMENT HAS SET A TARGET OF ONE MILLION TOURISTS BY THE YEAR 1993, UP FROM THE CURRENT 700,000 PER YEAR.

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#90331h0016 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 27) XINHUA - MORE THAN 2,500 ANCIENT COINS HAVE BEEN UNEARTHED ON A FARM NEAR YINCHUAN, CAPITAL OF NINGXIA HUI AUTONOMOUS REGION, NORTHWEST CHINA, THE "GUANGMING DAILY" REPORTED TODAY.

THE PAPER SAID THAT WHILE WORKERS WERE LEVELLING LAND ON THE NANLIANG FARM EARLIER THIS MONTH, THEY FOUND A CERAMIC JAR WHICH CONTAINED THE COINS.

UPON EXAMINATION, ARCHEOLOGISTS IN YINCHUAN FOUND THAT THE COINS WERE FROM THE QIN, HAN, TANG, SONG, JIN AND WESTERN XIA DYNASTIES, AND DATE BACK 2,200 TO 700 YEARS.

THE ARCHEOLOGISTS SAID THAT EVEN THOUGH THE COINS HAD BEEN BURIED FOR HUNDREDS OF YEARS, MOST OF THEM ARE IN GOOD CONDITION. THEY ADDED THAT SOME COINS ARE A BIT TARNISHED, BUT THE CHARACTERS ARE STILL CLEAR.

ACCORDING TO THE ARCHEOLOGISTS, ABOUT 70 PERCENT OF THE 2,500 COINS WERE FROM THE NORTHERN SONG DYNASTY. NOTING THAT THE COINS WERE BURIED ONLY A FEW DOZEN KILOMETERS FROM THE CAPITAL OF THE WESTERN XIA DYNASTY, THE ARCHEOLOGISTS SAID THE FIND INDICATES THAT THERE WERE CLOSE CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC LINKS BETWEEN NORTHWESTERN AND CENTRAL CHINA IN THE PAST.

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#90331h0017 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 27) XINHUA - A WORLD BANK TEAM IS ARRIVING IN INDIA ON TUESDAY FOR APPRAISAL OF A WORLD BANK-AIDED PROJECT FOR THE UPGRADATION OF POLYTECHNICS IN THE COUNTRY.

THE MASSIVE PROJECT LAUNCHED BY THE UNION GOVERNMENT IS TO ENABLE STATE GOVERNMENTS TO UPGRADE CAPACITY, QUALITY AND EFFICIENCY OF THE POLYTECHNICS.

THE WORLD BANK TEAM, WHICH WILL STAY IN THE COUNTRY FOR ABOUT THREE WEEKS, WILL VISIT VARIOUS STATES AND HOLD DETAILED DISCUSSIONS WITH OFFICIALS

CONCERNED.

THE TWO-PHASED PROJECT WILL COVER ABOUT 280 POLYTECHNICS IN EIGHT STATES IN THE FIRST PHASE, WHICH BECAME EFFECTIVE FROM THIS MONTH, AT A COST OF OVER 8320 MILLION RUPEES (489 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) INCLUDING THE WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE OF 260 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS. THE SECOND PHASE, WHOSE PREPARATION IS ALSO IN AN ADVANCED STAGE, WILL COVER 270 MITOLYTECHNICS IN ANOTHER EIGHT STATES.

THE ACTIVITIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN INCLUDE MODERNIZATION OF LABORATORIES AND WORKSHOPS IN THE EXISTING POLYTECHNICS, ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW POLYTECHNICS, INTRODUCTION OF NEW DIPLOMA COURSES AND POST-DIPLOMA COURSES, SETTING UP OF COMPUTER CENTERS, LEARNING SOURCE USER CENTERS, CONTINUING EDUCATION CENTERS, INDUSTRY INSTITUTION INTERACTION CELLS AND MAINTAINENCE CELLS IN POLYTECHNICS.

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#90331h0038 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WELLINGTON (NOV. 27) XINHUA - NEW ZEALAND AND HUNGARY HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR INTEREST AND NEEDS FOR INVESTMENT IN EACH OTHER'S COUNTRIES WHILE CONTINUING THEIR EXISTING ECONOMIC COOPERATION.

THIS WAS STATED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY CO-SPONSORED BY NEW ZEALAND FOREIGN MINISTER DON MCKINNON AND VISITING HUNGARIAN FOREIGN MINISTER GEZA JUSZENSKY.

JUSZENSKY IS THE FIRST HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL FROM CENTRAL EUROPE TO VISIT NEW ZEALAND.

SHORTLY AFTER HE ARRIVED IN WELLINGTON YESTERDAY TO BEGIN HIS THREE-DAY VISIT, JUSZENSKY SAID THAT HIS COUNTRY HAS OFFERED MORE TO NEW ZEALAND BUSINESS THAN HIS NEIGHBORS, BUT HE WARNED INVESTORS TO BE PATIENT" AS HUNGARY HAS TO "UNFOLD FROM MORE THAN 40 YEARS OF ECONOMIC PARALYSIS".

NEW ZEALAND HAS ALREADY BEEN INVOLVED IN SEVERAL JOINT VENTURES IN HUNGARY. AGRICULTURE OFFERS MANY JOINT VENTURE OPPORTUNITIES WHICH CAN PROVIDE A WAY FOR NEW ZEALAND TO GAIN MORE ACCESS TO THE LUCRATIVE COMMUNITY MARKET, THE HUNGARIAN MINISTER SAID.

MCKINNON SAID AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE THAT NEW ZEALAND IS THANKFUL TO THE HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT WHICH IS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE CAIRNS GROUP. REGULAR CONTACTS AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION HAVE BEEN MAINTAINED, PARTICULARLY IN AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, MCKINNON SAID.

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#90331h0045 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LUSAKA (NOV. 27) XINHUA - SMUGGLING OF PETROL INTO ZAIRE BY ZAMBIANS THROUGH

A BORDER POST NAMED KASUMBALESA HAS INCREASED RECENTLY, TIMES OF ZAMBIA REPORTED TODAY.

DARING SMUGGLERS OPENLY DEFY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS WHILE CROSSING THE BORDER ILLEGALLY TO SELL FUEL IN ZAIRE, THE REPORT SAID.

SOURCES AT THE BORDER SAID A FIVE LITRE CONTAINER OF SUPER PETROL CAN FETCH 25 U.S. DOLLARS IN ZAIRE INSTEAD OF ONLY FIVE DOLLARS IN ZAMBIA.

ZAIREANS ARE ALSO SEEN TRYING TO CROSS INTO ZAMBIA THROUGH FOOTPATHS ON THE WESTERN SIDE OF THE BORDER POST.

"SOMETIMES LORRIES ARE DRIVEN THROUGH THE SAME PATHS AT NIGHT TRANSPORTING ESSENTIALS. IT IS UNBELIEVABLE TO THINK OF A TRUCK BEING DRIVEN IN THE BUSH AT NIGHT WITHOUTH BEING CORNERED BY THE ARMY," THE SOURCES SAID.

SUGAR, MEALIE MEAL AND OTHER FOODSTUFFS ARE THE FAVORITE ITEMS FOR SMUGGLING INTO ZAIRE AND IN RETURN THE ZAMBIANS BRING IN CHITENGE MATERIALS, PLASTICS SHOES AND USED CLOTHES.

ON THE ROUTE TO KASUMBALESA, THERE ARE THREE ZAMBIA ARMY CHECK-POINTS.

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#90331h0060 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WINDHOEK (NOV. 27) XINHUA - NAMIBIAN FOREIGN MINISTER THEO-BEN GRURIRAB SOMMONED SPANISH AMBASSADOR CHARLOS DE BOADO MONDAY TO LODGE AN OFFICIAL PROTEST OVER THE ILLEGAL FISHING IN NAMIBIAN WATERS BY SPANISH VESSELS.

THE PROTEST FOLLOWED THE IMPOUNDING OF FIVE SPANISH VESSELS, WHICH WERE FOUND FISHING ILLEGALLY IN NAMIBIAN WATERS, ON NOVEMBER 24. A SIXTH VESSEL MANAGED TO GET AWAY.

"THE NAMIBIAN" NEWSPAPER SAID TODAY THAT FOREIGN MINISTER GURIRAB TOLD THE SPANISH AMBASSADOR THAT THE CULPRITS SHOULD PAY, AND PAY DEARLY FOR THEIR ACTIONS.

GURIRAB SAID THAT BETWEEN 10 AND 12 SPANISH SHIPS CARRYING "STOLEN FISH" CAUGHT OFF NAMIBIA'S COAST WERE HEADED HOMEWARDS.

GURIRAB SAID THAT THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT MUST TAKE SERIOUS STEPS TO ENSURE THAT FISHERMEN STOPPED FISHING ILLEGALLY IN NAMIBIAN WATERS, OR THE ILLEGAL FISHING COULD THROW "COLD WATER ON THE OTHERWISE GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES."

WELL-EQUIPPED NAMIBIAN HELICOPTERS USED TO INTERCEPT THE BOATS WERE ORDERED ONLY TO SINK THE VESSELS AS A LAST RESORT, MINISTER GURIRAB SAID.

CAPTAINS OF THE IMPOUNDED SPANISH VESSELS WILL APPEAR IN THE COURT IN NAMIBIAN PORT LUDERITZ TODAY. THEIR VESSELS MIGHT BE CONFISTCATED IN ADDITION TO A FINE UP TO 400,000 DOLLARS FOR EACH VESSEL.

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#90331h0061 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WINDHOEK (NOV. 27) XINHUA - POACHERS AND SMUGGLERS IN IVORY AND RHINO HORNS WILL FACE 20 YEARS OF IMPRISONMENT AND FINES UP TO 80,000 U.S. DOLLARS IN NAMIBIA ONCE A NEW BILL TABLED IN THE NAMIBIAN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BECOMES LAW.

INTRODUCING THE BILL TO THE ASSEMBLY MONDAY, MINISTER OF WILDLIFE, CONSERVATION AND TOURISM NICO BESSINGER SAID THE INCENTIVES TO POACH HAS BECOME SO GREAT THAT WELL-ARMED GANGS CROSS INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARIES TO POACH RHINOS AND ELEPHANTS IN NAMIBIA.

THE BLACK RHINO POPULATION IN AFRICA HAS DRASTICALLY DECLINED FROM AN ESTIMATED 68,000 TO 3,000 SINCE 1970.

THIS RAPID DECLINE IN NUMBERS HAS BEEN ACCELERATED BY POACHING FOR THE RHINO HORN, WHICH IS VALUED AT ABOUT 25,000 DOLLARS A KILOGRAM ON THE BLACK MARKET IN THE FAR EAST.

NAMIBIA HAS ABOUT 400 RHINOS AND 6,000 ELEPHANTS WITHIN ITS TERRITORY. BESSINGER SAID THAT THE JUDICIARY SHOULD HAVE NECESSARY POWERS TO COMBAT THE THREAT TO THE COUNTRY'S RENEWABLE NATURAL RESOURCES.

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#90331h0062 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (NOV. 27) XINHUA - THE FIRST SOVIET TRADE DELEGATION WILL ARRIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA TODAY FOR MEETINGS WITH SOUTH AFRICAN TRADE OFFICIALS AND BUSINESSMEN.

THE "SOWETAN" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA REPORTED TODAY THAT THE SOVIET DELEGATION IS HEADED BY THE RUSSIAN REPUBLIC MINISTER FOR FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS.

SOUTH AFRICAN TRADE AND INDUSTRY MINISTER KENT DURR VISITED THE SOVIET UNION A FEW MONTHS AGO.

LAST WEEK FOREIGN MINISTER PIK BOTHA SAID THAT DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WOULD BE ESTABLISHED IN SIX MONTHS.

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#90331h0064 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BELGRADE (NOV. 27) XINHUA - A STRONG EARTHQUAKE BROKE OUT IN THE YUGOSLAV

COASTAL REGION OF DALMATIA EARLY MONDAY MORNING, SLIGHTLY AFFECTING BELGRADE AND SARAJEVO.

BUT NO CASUALTIES WERE REPORTED YET. ACCORDING TO THE BELGRADE SEISMIC BUREAU, THE QUAKE, WHICH ERUPTED AT 5:40 LOCAL TIME, REGISTERED 5.5 MAGNITUDE ON THE RICHTER SCALE, WITH ITS EPICENTER IN THE MOUNTAIN AREA ABOUT 30 KILOMETERS TO THE NORTHEAST OF SPLIT CITY IN THE COASTAL REGION OF THE ADRIATIC SEA.

THE OFFICIAL TANJUG NEWS AGENCY SAID THE QUAKE SHOCKED THE SLEEPING RESIDENTS IN THE DALMATIA AND OTHER NEIGHBORING REGIONS INCLUDING SARAJEVO, ZENICA AND LIVNO, WHO IMMEDIATELY LEFT THEIR HOMES FOR PARKS OR SQUARES.

AFTERSHOCKS WERE STILL FELT, TANJUG ADDED. IN JULY 1973, SKOPLJE, CAPITAL OF THE REPUBLIC MACEDONIA, SAW A STRONG QUAKE OF OVER 6 MAGNITUDES ON THE RICHTER SCALE, WHICH KILLED MORE THAN 1,100 PEOPLE.

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#90331h0065 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (NOV. 27) XINHUA - PRESIDENT ALI HASSAN MWINYI HAS APPOINTED 20 REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS OF TANZANIA MAINLAND WHO WILL ALSO BECOME REGIONAL SECRETARIES OF THE RULING REVOLUTIONARY PARTY.

ACCORDING TO THE LIST PUBLISHED HERE TODAY, 12 OF THE 20 REGIONAL LEADERS WERE NEW COMERS AND THE REST WERE FORMER REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS OR REGIONAL PARTY SECRETARIES.

TWELVE FORMER REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS LOST THEIR POSTS IN THE NEW LINE-UP. SEVERAL OF THEM ALSO LOST THEIR PARLIAMENT SEATS IN THE GENERAL ELECTIONS LAST MONTH.

THE RULING PARTY MADE THE DECISION TO MERGE THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PARTY AT CENTRAL, REGIONAL AND DISTRICT LEVEL LAST FEBRUARY TO SAVE EXPENDITURE, SIMPLIFY THE ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE OF THE PARTY AND TO STRENGTHEN THE CENTRALIZED LEADERSHIP.

THE MERGER AT THE CENTRAL LEVEL WAS DONE IN AUGUST WHEN PRESIDENT MWINYI WAS ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE PARTY AFTER FORMER CHAIRMAN JULIUS NYERERE VOLUNTARILY RETIRED.

MR. MWINYI IS EXPECTED TO APPOINT DISTRICT LEADERS SOON. THE REVOLUTIONARY PARTY IS THE SOLE POLITICAL PARTY IN TANZANIA. ACCORDING TO THE CONSTITUTION, THE GOVERNMENT FUNCTIONS UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE RULING PARTY.

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#90331h0085 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHENYANG (NOV. 27) XINHUA - A SIGNING CEREMONY TO SET UP A SINO-U.S. BUSINESS

INFORMATION CENTER WAS HELD TODAY IN SHENYANG, CAPITAL OF NORTHEAST CHINA'S LIAONING PROVINCE.

THE CENTER, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN CHINA, WILL COLLECT AND SUPPLY UP-TO-DATE BUSINESS INFORMATION ON BOTH CHINA AND THE UNITED STATES.

IT IS ALSO PROPOSED TO HOLD SYMPOSIUMS ON SINO-U.S. TRADE AND INVESTMENT, AND EXHIBITIONS OF BOTH COUNTRIES' PRODUCTS AND SAMPLES.

AN OFFICIAL SAID THAT THE CENTER IS TO GO INTO OPERATION DECEMBER 17.

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#90331h0091 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 27) XINHUA - HONG KONG POLICE ARE INVESTIGATING A CASE IN WHICH A CONTAINER TRUCK WITH ABOUT THREE MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (384,600 U.S. DOLLARS) WORTH OF VIDEO CASSETTE RECORDERS WAS ROBBED IN SHA TIN, NEW TERRITORIES, TODAY.

THE CASE TOOK PLACE AT ABOUT 9:30 AM WHEN A 32-YEAR-OLD DRIVER WAS ORDERED BY TWO MEN ARMED WITH A PISTOL-LIKE OBJECT TO DRIVE HIS CONTAINER TRUCK CARRYING 1,100 VIDEO TAPE RECORDERS TO A BYPASS IN TAI PO ROAD NEAR THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG.

THE DRIVER WAS THEN FORCED TO GET ON A WAITING PRIVATE CAR WHERE HE WAS TAKEN FOR A RIDE FOR SEVERAL HOURS BEFORE HE WAS DROPPED OFF AROUND 1 PM.

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#90331h0099 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SINGAPORE (NOV. 27) XINHUA - THE MALAYSIAN GOVERNMENT HAS AGREED TO THE DEFENSE MINISTRY ACQUIRING FOUR SUBMARINES -- TWO NEW ONES AND TWO REFURBISHED ONES, SAID MALAYSIAN DEFENSE MINISTER DATUK SERI NAJIB TUN RAZAK.

ACCORDING TO A REPORT BY THE RADIO AND TELEVISION OF MALAYSIA (RTM) TODAY, THE MINISTER SAID THE PURCHASE OF THE SUBMARINES WOULD COST MORE THAN ONE BILLION MALAYSIAN RIGGIT (373 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), TO BE PAID IN A PERIOD OF ABOUT 10 YEARS.

HE DECLINED TO DISCLOSE THE TYPE AND MAKE OF THE SUBMARINES. "WE HAVE IDENTIFIED THEM AND ARE NOW IN THE FINAL STAGE OF DISCUSSION ON THE PURCHASE AND MODE OF PAYMENT," HE SAID.

ON THE DEFENSE ALLOCATION IN THE 1991 BUDGET, HE SAID IT WOULD REFLECT THE GOVERNMENT'S COMMITMENT TOWARDS BUILDING A STRONG AND CAPABLE DEFENSE FORCE.

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#90331h0105 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CARACAS (NOV. 27) XINHUA - VENEZUELAN FOREIGN MINISTER REINALDO FIGUEREDO ANNOUNCED MONDAY THAT THE PROGRAM SET UP BY VENEZUELA, MEXICO AND COLOMBIA TO REMOVE TRADE BARRIERS WILL START NEXT MARCH OR APRIL.

HE SAID THAT THE THREE COUNTRIES HAVE TAKEN STEPS TO REQUEST LOANS FROM THE INTERAMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (IDB) TO REALIZE JOINT ENERGY PROJECTS IN CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE CARRIBEAN.

HE URGED ALL THE NATIONS OF THE RIO GROUP TO ADOPT A COMMON POSITION ON A FREE TRADE ZONE AND ON THE U.S. PRESIDENT GOERGE BUSH'S INITIATIVE WHENEVER BUSH MEETS WITH GROUP MEMBERS.

ON THE NEXT ANDEAN PEACE SUMMIT, FIGUEREDO SAID THAT THE ANDES REGION WILL ABOLISH SUBREGIONAL TRADE BARRIERS NEXT YEAR, A GOAL SCHEDULED FOR 1993 BY THE CARTAGENA ACCORD GROUP.

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#90331h0106 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

OTTAWA (NOV. 27) XINHUA - APPROXIMATELY 14,500 WORKERS OF CANADA'S BIG THREE AUTO MAKERS FACE WORK STOPPAGES BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR AS A RESULT OF SLUMPING CAR SALES ACROSS NORTH AMERICA.

FORD MOTOR CO. OF CANADA LTD. -- THE COUNTRY'S NUMBER TWO AUTO MAKER -- ANNOUNCED MONDAY TEMPORARY LAYOFFS AFFECTING 4,100 WORKERS AT SIX PLANTS.

LAST WEEK, GENERAL MORTORS OF CANADA LTD., CANADA'S LARGEST AUTO PRODUCER, ANNOUNCED TEMPORARY LAYOFFS FOR 7,600 WORKERS. AND THE NUMBER THREE AUTO MAKER OF CHRYSLER CANADA LTD. HAS ALSO ANNOUNCED TEMPORARY LAYOFFS FOR 2,800 OF ITS WORKERS.

CANADIAN AUTO INDUSTRY SPOKESMEN ATTRIBUTED THE LAYOFFS TO SLUMPING SALES IN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES, WHERE 80 PERCENT OF CANADIAN PRODUCTION GOES.

THE BIG THREE AUTO COMPANIES, ALL OF WHICH POSTED CONTINUED SALES DECLINES ACROSS CANADA DURING THE PAST FEW MONTHS, HAVE BLAMED THE COUNTRY'S HIGH INTEREST RATES FOR SLUMPING SALES. THE ANNUAL INTEREST RATE FOR A CAR LOAN IN CANADA HOVERED AROUND 17 PERCENT OVER THE PAST FEW MONTHS.

ALL THE THREE COMPANIES HAVE SAID THE LAYOFFS ARE TEMPORARY AND THE PLANTS ARE SCHEDULED TO RESUME FULL PRODUCTION BY JANUARY 2, 1991.

THE WORKERS CAN GET BETWEEN 80-AND-95 PERCENT OF THEIR SALARY DURING THE LAYOFF PERIOD THROUGH UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AND SUPPLEMENTARY BENEFITS PAID BY THEIR COMPANIES.

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#90331h0115 11/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
HARARE (NOV. 27) XINHUA - ZIMBABWEAN POLICE LAST WEEK SEIZED NEARLY ONE TON OF MANDRAX WITH A STREET VALUE OF 20 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, THE ENGLISH DAILY "THE HERALD" REPORTED TODAY.

THIS WAS THE LARGEST CONSIGNMENT OF DRUG EVER SEIZED BY THE ZIMBABWEAN POLICE IN THEIR CRACKDOWN ON DRUG PEDDLARS IN THE COUNTRY.

THE PAPER SAID THAT A DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PAN AFRICANIST CONGRESS (PAC) BASED IN ZIMBABWE AND TWO OTHER FOREIGN NATIONALS WERE ARRESETED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SMUGGLING OF 963 KILOGRAMS OF MANDRAX FROM BOMBAY, INDIA, TO THE ZIMBABWEAN CAPITAL OF HARARE.

A SENIOR PUBLIC PROSECUTOR SAID THAT THIS IS AN INTERNATIONAL DRUG RING INVOLVING NATIONALS FROM A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES AND SOME OF THEM STILL HAVE TO BE ARRESTED.

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#90331k0024 11/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 27) KYODO - PIONEER ELECTRONIC CORP. SAID TUESDAY IT HAS ACQUIRED ALL RIGHTS IN JAPAN TO THE FILMS MADE BY CAROLCO PICTURES INC. OF THE UNITED STATES.

THE JAPANESE AUDIO EQUIPMENT MAKER, WHICH BOUGHT A STAKE IN CAROLCO IN JULY, NOW HAS THE JAPAN RIGHTS TO ITS FILMS, INCLUDING ONES STILL IN THE MAKING, FOR DISTRIBUTION TO CINEMAS, BROADCASTING ON TELEVISION, AND FOR SALE ON VIDEO CASSETTES AND LASER DISKS.

CAROLCO PICTURES, BASED IN LOS ANGELES, IS AN INDEPENDENT PRODUCER OF HIGH-BUDGET FILMS, POSSESSING THE TITLE TO SUCH MOVIES AS "ANGEL HEART," THE "RAMBO" SERIES, AND THE RECENT HIT "TOTAL RECALL."

PIONEER'S WHOLLY OWNED JAPANESE SUBSIDIARY, PIONEER LDC INC., WILL UNDERTAKE ALL BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS IN JAPAN.

SEVEN FILMS, INCLUDING "TERMINATOR 2," WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THEATERS THROUGH TOHO-TOWA CORP. AND RELEASED IN TURN NEXT SPRING, PIONEER SAID.

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#90331k0028 11/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
OSAKA (NOV. 27) KYODO - TOYO TIRE AND RUBBER CO. WILL SET UP A JOINT VENTURE WITH GENCORP INC., A MAJOR U.S. CHEMICAL MANUFACTURER, TO SELL VIBRATION-CONTROL RUBBER PARTS USED IN AUTOMOBILES, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

THE NEW COMPANY, TO BE CALLED GT AUTOMOTIVE CO. AND BASED IN DETROIT, WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 100,000 DOLLARS. GENCORP WILL INVEST 60 PERCENT IN THE VENTURE AND TOYO 40 PERCENT.

THE MOVE IS TO STRENGTHEN THE SALES IN THE U.S. OF VIBRATION-CONTROL RUBBER PRODUCTS WHICH THE TWO COMPANIES ARE ALREADY MANUFACTURING IN GENCORP'S FACTORIES UNDER AN AGREEMENT MADE LAST NOVEMBER.

BUSINESS AT THE JOINT VENTURE COULD START AS EARLY AS NEXT JANUARY, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90331k0036 11/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 27) KYODO - MITSUI AND CO. HAS SET UP A DISTRIBUTION SERVICE VENTURE IN SHANGHAI WITH ITS GROUP COMPANY MITSUI WAREHOUSE CO., AND TWO CHINESE PUBLIC CORPORATIONS, THE COMPANY SAID TUESDAY.

THE NEW FIRM, SHANGHAI XINCHANG DISTRIBUTION PROCESSING SERVICE CO., IS CAPITALIZED AT 1.5 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS (ABOUT 130 MILLION YEN), MITSUI OFFICIALS SAID.

CHINA NATIONAL FOREIGN TRADE TRANSPORTATION CORP. AND ITS BRANCH IN SHANGHAI ARE THE CHINESE PARTNERS.

THE FOUR PARTNERS EACH PUT UP 25 PERCENT OF THE CAPITAL AND WILL START OPERATIONS OF THE NEW FIRM AT TEMPORARY FACILITIES IN DECEMBER.

THE NEW COMPANY WILL INSPECT PRODUCTS TO BE EXPORTED FROM CHINA BEFORE SHIPMENT, AND PROVIDE LABELING, PACKING AND ADDITIONAL PROCESSING SERVICES.

IT WILL ALSO WORK TO PREVENT LEGAL CLAIMS BY CHINA'S TRADING CUSTOMERS BY IMPROVING PRODUCT MANAGEMENT AND MEETING DELIVERY DATES, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

OPERATING A DISTRIBUTION SERVICE COMPANY IN CHINA, WHERE LABOR COSTS ARE LOWER THAN IN JAPAN, WILL BENEFIT THE MITSUI COMPANIES, THEY SAID.

THE PERMANENT FACILITIES OF THE NEW FIRM WILL BE COMPLETED NEXT YEAR. IT EXPECTS ANNUAL SALES OF 2 MILLION DOLLARS IN THE INITIAL YEAR AND 4 MILLION DOLLARS IN THREE YEARS.

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#90331k0067 11/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 27) KYODO - CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER QIAN QICHEN WILL LEAVE WEDNESDAY FOR AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES, A FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID TUESDAY.

IT WILL BE THE FIRST VISIT BY A CHINESE CABINET MINISTER TO THE UNITED STATES SINCE THE MILITARY CRACKDOWN ON PRO-DEMOCRACY DEMONSTRATORS IN TIANANMEN SQUARE IN BEIJING IN EARLY JUNE LAST YEAR.

OTHER DETAILS OF QIAN'S VISIT ARE NOT IMMEDIATELY KNOWN.

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#90331k0074 11/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 27) KYODO - JAPAN WILL DONATE 400,000 DOLLARS TO THE PHILIPPINES FOR THE RELIEF AND REHABILITATION OF VICTIMS OF SUPERTYPHOON IKE WHICH LEFT AT LEAST 330 INJURED, PHILIPPINE DEFENSE SECRETARY JESUS ESTANISLO SAID TUESDAY.

ESTSLAO SAID MITSUHIDE YAMAGUCHIN PRESIDENT OF THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF JAPAN PLEDGED ANEW TO PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO TO RELEASE THE GRANT DURING HIS COURTESY CALL.

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#90331k0082 11/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 27) KYODO - THE NUMBER OF FOREIGN TOURISTS TO JAPAN THIS YEAR WAS ESTIMATED TO HAVE EXCEEDED 3 MILLION FOR THE FIRST TIME AS OF TUESDAY, A TOURIST ORGANIZATION SAID.

THE JAPAN NATIONAL TOURIST ORGANIZATION, AN AFFILIATE OF THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY, SAID THE NUMBER OF FOREIGN TOURISTS HAD INCREASED 370,000 OR 15.7 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR AND THAT IT IS CERTAIN THAT THE OVERALL NUMBER EXCEEDED 3 MILLION TUESDAY.

THE NUMBER OF FOREIGN TOURISTS TOTALED A RECORD 2.83 MILLION LAST YEAR, THE ORGANIZATION SAID.

THE ORGANIZATION ESTIMATES THE NUMBER OF FOREIGN TOURISTS TO JAPAN IN THIS YEAR AS A WHOLE WILL REACH 3.2 MILLION.

TOURISTS FROM ASIAN AND MIDDLE EAST REGIONS ACCOUNTED FOR 60 PERCENT OF THE INFLUX, THOSE FROM NORTH AMERICA 20 PERCENT, AND THOSE FROM EUROPE 15 PERCENT, THE ORGANIZATION SAID.

SOUTH KOREA TOPPED THE LIST OF COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN, FOLLOWED BY TAIWAN AND THE UNITED STATES.

IN THE TWENTY YEARS BETWEEN 1964 AND 1984 THE NUMBER OF FOREIGN TOURISTS CLIMBED FROM 352,000 TO 2.11 MILLION.

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#90331k0085 11/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 27) KYODO - NIPPON SUISAN KAISHA LTD., JAPAN'S TOP FISHING FIRM, PLANS TO DRASTICALLY REDUCE THE NUMBER OF ITS TRAWLERS IN THE FACE OF INCREASINGLY STRICT REGULATIONS ON FISHING, ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY SOURCES.

THE DEMANDS ABROAD FOR TOUGHER CURBS ON FISHING IS FORCING JAPANESE COMPANIES TO SCALE DOWN THEIR INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS.

THE COMPANY, WHICH NOW HAS 14 TRAWLERS AND ABOUT 900 CREWMEN, WILL LIKELY GIVE THE ALL JAPAN SEAMEN'S UNION ITS FORMAL FLEET REDUCTION PLAN BY THE END OF THE YEAR, THEY SAID.

ANOTHER MAJOR JAPANESE FISHING FIRM, TAIYO FISHERY CO., HAS ALSO AGREED WITH THE SEAMEN'S TRADE UNION ON ITS REDUCTION OF ITS TRAWLER FLEET FROM THE PRESENT 15 TO EIGHT.

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#90331k0086 11/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 27) KYODO - MITSUBISHI MOTORS CORP. SAID TUESDAY IT HAS DONATED A FLEXIBLEFUEL VEHICLE (FFV) TO THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMITTEE (CEC) FOR THE STATE'S PROGRAM ON FFVS, OR VEHICLES FUELED BY METHANOL INSTEAD OF GASOLINE.

THE FFV, BASED ON MITSUBISHI'S GALANT SEDAN, WILL BE USED AS A TEST CAR BETWEEN NOVEMBER 1990 AND DECEMBER 1992 TO DETERMINE THE PRACTICAL USE OF METHANOL-FUELED AUTOS, MITSUBISHI OFFICIALS SAID.

UNDER TOUGHER ANTIAIR POLLUTION LEGISLATION IN CALIFORNIA, THE CEC HAS BEEN STUDYING THE PRACTICAL USE OF METHANOL AS AUTO FUEL. METHANOL GENERATES LESS HYDROCARBON EMISSIONS THAN GASOLINE AND OTHER PETROLEUM FUEL.

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#90331k0088 11/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 27) KYODO - JAPAN'S PETROLEUM WHOLESALERS NOTIFIED RETAILERS TUESDAY THAT THEY WILL RETAIN THE CURRENT LEVELS OF WHOLESALE PRICES OF LIQUIFIED PETROLEUM GAS (LPG) OR EVEN LOWER THEM IN DECEMBER.

IDEMITSU KOSAN CO. AND KYODO OIL CO. SAID IT WILL NOT RAISE ITS CURRENT PRICES WHILE AN AFFILIATE OF COSMO OIL CO. SAID IT WILL CUT ITS PRICE BY 0.30 YEN PER BARREL FROM DECEMBER 1.

LPG PRICES WERE RAISED OVER THE PAST TWO MONTHS DUE TO THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS.

HOWEVER, A CRUDE OIL PRICE HIKE BY SAUDI ARABIA OF AROUND 10 DOLLARS PER TON IN NOVEMBER WAS OFFSET BY THE YEN'S RECENT ADVANCE AGAINST THE U.S. DOLLAR, ACCORDING TO OFFICIALS OF THE COMPANIES.

INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID OTHER WHOLESALERS MAY FOLLOW SUIT.

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#90331k0089 11/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 27) KYODO - JAPAN AND GERMANY WILL HOLD AVIATION TALKS IN TOKYO ON DECEMBER 12-13 AIMED AT OPENING A NEW AIR ROUTE BETWEEN TOKYO AND BERLIN, TRANSPORT MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE BILATERAL TALKS WILL BE THE FIRST BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES SINCE WEST AND EAST GERMANY WAS UNITED ON OCTOBER 3.

JAPAN HAS BEEN PRESSING FOR ALLOWING TWO JAPANESE AIRLINES, JAPAN AIRLINES AND ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS, TO BEGIN SERVICES TO BERLIN, WHILE GERMANY HAS BEEN DEMANDING LUFTHANSA BE GRANTED RIGHTS TO OPERATE FLIGHTS ON THE NEW ROUTE.

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#90331k0090 11/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
BANGKOK (NOV.27) KYODO - THAILAND AND VIETNAM HAVE AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO ESTABLISH A JOINT FISHING VENTURE CAPITALIZED EQUALLY BY NATIONAL COMPANIES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES, THAI FISHERY DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR GENERAL PLODPRASOB SURASAWADEE SAID TUESDAY.

PLODPRASOB SAID DURING HIS LATEST VISIT TO VIETNAM LAST WEEK, HE SIGNED A NOTE OF UNDERSTANDING WITH HIS VIETNAMESE COUNTERPART CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE JOINT VENTURE.

HE SAID BOTH SIDES AGREED TO SET UP THEIR OWN NATIONAL COMPANIES BY THE END OF THIS YEAR WHILE THE JOINT THAI-VIETNAMESE COMPANY SHOULD BE REALIZED IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF NEXT YEAR.

THE FIRST PHASE OF THE JOINT VENTURE, PLODPRASOB SAID, WILL INVOLVE A VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT CONCESSION ALLOWING THE JOINT VENTURE TO FISH A MINIMUM OF 50,000 TONS A YEAR WITH A FLEET OF 100-150 BOATS FROM THAILAND IN VIETNAMESE WATERS FOR 20 YEARS.

THE SECOND PHASE WILL INCLUDE THE SETTING UP OF RELATED INDUSTRIES, SUCH AS DOCK AND COLD-STORAGE, IN VIETNAM, ACCORDING TO THE DIRECTOR.

A TECHNICAL TEAM FROM THAILAND WILL VISIT VIETNAM AGAIN DECEMBER 9-20 TO MAKE A DETAILED STUDY FOR THE JOINT VENTURE, HE SAID.

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#90331k0094 11/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 27) KYODO - MITSUBISHI CORP. HAS REACHED BASIC AGREEMENT WITH CHRYSLER CORP. TO SET UP A JOINT VENTURE IN CANADA TO COOPERATE IN PRODUCTION OF CHRYSLER'S PROPOSED SO-CALLED LH MODEL AUTOMOBILE, AN INDUSTRY SOURCE SAID

TUESDAY.

CHRYSLER SEES THE MEDIUM-SIZED PASSENGER CAR OF THE 3300 CC CLASS AS A KEY TO BOOSTING ITS RECENT SLUGGISH SALES AND PLANS TO START PRODUCTION IN THE SUMMER OF 1992 IN THE SUBURBS OF TORONTO, CANADA, AND SALES IN THE UNITED STATES FROM 1993.

THE JOINT VENTURE WILL BE IN CHARGE OF THE STAMPING DIVISION IN THE LH CAR VENTURE.

THE PLANNED VENTURE WILL PROBABLY BE CAPITALIZED AT 60 MILLION CANADIAN DOLLARS (ABOUT 6.6 BILLION YEN) THROUGH EQUAL INVESTMENTS, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE.

OVERALL INVESTMENT IS EXPECTED TO AMOUNT ABOUT 100 MILLION CANADIAN DOLLARS (SOME 11 BILLION YEN), THE SOURCE SAID.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 27) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stocks are lower this morning. ... The Nikkei loses 139 points. dollar is mixed. ... The long bond is yielding 8.43% in overseas trading. ... Crude oil prices are firm with Brent off two cents at $33.03. ... MCA agreed to be acquired by MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC for about $6.59 billion in a mostly cash deal, the largest-ever U.S. purchase by a Japanese company. ... NAVISTAR INTERNATIONAL says it has raised its stake in Mexican truck builder DINA CAMIONES from 5% to 17%. ... CHRYSLER is offering rebates for the first time on its redesigned 1991 mini-vans in a bid to hold on to past buyers of its most profitable vehicle. ... Canada's ALLEGIANCE CAPITAL and Sweden's IKEA are launching an economy hotel chain in North America.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

An SEC-backed conference today is considering securities-clearance changes, including replacing stock certificates with electronic entries. ... TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. is expected to announce today that it will build a second auto assembly plant in the United States. ... MIDWAY AIRLINES says it will delay closing the planned sales of its Philadelphia operations to USAIR GROUP to give the JUSTICE DEPARTMENT more time to review the deal.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I am having growing doubts about the talk [that] stocks are in a bear market " says GENE JAY SEAGLE of GRUNTAL & CO. "The ability of the market to survive the sell-off tells me that it doesn't want to go down much." Seagle predicts that the market will be over 2700 by the end of December. ("Investor's Daily" 11/27)

"I think we've seen the bottom and we'll go up from here," says MICHAEL METZ, chief investment strategist for OPPENHEIMER & CO. The fact that stock prices could rise in the face of rising oil prices shows an underlying desire to move stock prices higher, says Metz. (WSJ, 11/27)

"Uncertain times have proven to be outstanding buying opportunities," says BERNARD SCHAFFER at the "Option Advisor". "Bearishness in the extreme bodes well for our conclusion the market has bottomed." (CNBC "World Business", 11/27)

FROM THE BEARS:

Stock investors are treading on thin ice if they think share prices are headed much higher, says JAMES SOLLOWAY, chief economist at ARGUS RESEARCH. "Some of the bullishness toward bonds may be warranted," he says, "but I'm concerned that here we are in the midst of a recession that is only now beginning to bite and yet we have a price- earnings ratio on the S&P [Standard & Poor's index of 500 stocks] of 14 and a P/E of over 12 on the Dow Jones industrials. Given where we are in the cycle, that's on the high side." (WSJ, 11/27)

"Yes, Virginia, it is still a bear market," says the Wellington Letter. While the market could rally, the longer term negatives outweigh any shorter term positives, say the editors: "Any move above Dow 2626 offers superb opportunity to add to short positions." (CNBC "World Business", 11/27)

"For all we know, this could be another 1972, when stocks go down and stay down for 10 years," says PETER CANELO, chief investment strategist for BEAR STEARNS & CO. He urges caution in buying stocks by limiting purchases primarily to electric and gas utility stocks because they pay high dividends and are generally safe. He says the key to picking stocks and bonds now is "financial stability." All stocks and bonds must be rated at least A-plus. (WSJ, 11/27)

STOCK MARKET:

GAIL DUDACK at S.G. WARBURG says another decline in BOEING stock yesterday shows "the unforgiving nature of this market. People are still trying to 'talk' the broader market higher, but once an individual stock gets hit hard - once it's out of favor - it stays out of favor." ("The Washington Post", 11/27)

"The market is acting as if the interest rate environment will continue to

improve," says BEAR STEARNS strategist PETER CANELO. "It's not going to worry too much about oil." (NYT, 11/27)

"We have more than enough oil, floating around the world today, to meet demand " says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. He says that surplus will keep oil prices stable, and claims that to be "constructive" for both the stock and bond markets. "We think the bond market still has a ways to go. We think in the equity market there are buyers under this market, and we saw some of that" on Monday. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/26)

PHIL RETTEW, market specialist for MERRILL LYNCH, sees no evidence that stock prices are awaiting an opportunity to stage a breakout to the upside. He sees resistance above 2580 on the industrial average and expects to see the market in a wide trading range until the fundamentals change the market's dynamics. (WSJ, 11/27)

"The Fed has been restraining money supply growth and the economy needs money to grow," says MONTE GORDON at DREYFUS CORP. "The market is ignoring the short-term hysteria over Iraq. Instead, it's anticipating a significant turn in monetary policy and for the longer term that would be a bullish sign." ("USA Today", 11/27)

"You don't want to get all your money committed to stocks before the market makes its final low," says BRAD PERRY, chairman of DAVID L. BABSON CO., an investment-management firm in Cambridge, Mass. (WSJ, 11/27)

"The market is such a contrarian animal [that many past military actions] have been fairly decent buying opportunities," says LANCE STONECYPHER of NED DAVIS RESEARCH. "With the negative money growth, we're looking at a long-term recession now. [The opportunities] should be looked at in a shorter-term context." ("Investor's Daily", 11/27)

STOCK TIPS:

"It's a stock picking market," says GABELLI GROWTH FUND manager ELIZABETH BRAMWELL. She likes MERCANTILE STORES CO., MEAD CORP. and TIMKEN CO. Twenty percent of the 125 companies in her portfolio are selling below book value, which she says is "odd for a growth fund." ("Investor's Daily", 11/27)

"Selected technology stocks like IBM, INTEL [and] DIGITAL EQUIPMENT look good " says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. He also likes some cyclicals such as DOW CHEMICAL and some of the drug stocks. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/26)

SANTA FE PACIFIC CORP. and its plans to split into three separate companies are featured in the "Company Spotlight" in "USA Today" this morning. Some analysts are pessimistic about how the new stocks will be received. "The market is currently unkind to asset-play situations," says GRAEME LIDGERWOOD at FIRST BOSTON. "It's an issue of timing." ANTHONY HATCH at PAINEWEBBER

says: "Spin-offs get dumped on. The index funds sell them indiscriminately. After a couple of weeks, we'll see the true values of the new companies." ("USA Today", 11/27)

CHRYSLER shares are cheap and likely to get even cheaper. That's the opinion of BERNARD SCHAFFER at the "Option Advisor" who advises buying the January 10 put. A short squeeze could drive FOREST LABS as high as 55, and Schaffer likes the February 50 call. RUBBERMAID is likely to break resistance at 39; buy the February 40 call, says Schaffer. (CNBC "World Business", 11/27)

MICHAEL METZ, chief investment strategist for OPPENHEIMER & CO., suggests an aggressive stock move for retirement portfolios. He would put two-thirds of the retirement payout into two types of stock funds: single country closed-end funds and small-company growth-stock funds. He likes the closed-end funds, such as EMERGING GERMANY FUND, EMERGING MEXICO FUND, FRANCE GROWTH FUND, JAKARTA GROWTH FUND and UNITED KINGDOM FUND, partly because they're selling for less than the value of the stocks they hold. Thus, "you can buy professional management at a discount now." In addition, he says, growth in Europe and Southeast Asia is going to exceed U.S growth in the next five years. Metz would put the rest of the retirement account into seven-to-10 year government bonds. (WSJ, 11/27)

K.C. GRAINGER of JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL & CO. says a surge in insider buying is focused on secondary stocks, many of them regional banks. Among the specific stocks he mentions as favorites of inside buyers are HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL, WOLVERINE WORLDWIDE, LAMPSON & SESSIONS, PLACERDOME GOLD and PEGASUS GOLD. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/26)

BRAD PERRY, chairman of DAVID L. BABSON CO., is cautious on the stock market currently, but suggests a gradual movement into stocks. Mr. Perry would select "high-growth companies whose prices have dropped to reasonable valuations in the market decline." He likes ANHEUSER- BUSCH, DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES, AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING and SIGMA-ALDRICH. Mr. Perry also recommends "quality companies in troubled industries" such as AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL GROUP in insurance, BANC ONE in banking, GEORGIA-PACIFIC in paper and KING WORLD PRODUCTIONS in entertainment. (WSJ, 11/7)

"SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS ran into some panic profit-taking," says ALICE BRADIE of HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. "The company's in really good shape." ("Investor's Daily", 11/27)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"The Fed doesn't usually change reserve requirements as its normal course of executing monetary policy," says WILLIAM SILBER of the NEW YORK UNIVERSITY STERN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS. But such a change has been considered as a way of helping to boost banks' earnings. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/26)

"I predict that before this recession is over, we will have a reduction in [bank] reserve requirements," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "It's probably not very far away. ... Will it do the trick? I really think the trick is going to await a resolution on the Mideast, but it sure will help. I think we have to do something quickly or the economy really will deteriorate. So I think it is a good idea to raise the issue of getting the Fed to pump out more money directly by reducing bank reserve requirements. It's the most dramatic move they can make and they should make it. We're in trouble if they don't. ... I think we have to go full throttle to ease money at this point, and we will before very long." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/26)

Over the past year, the high yield market has been more attractive than the stock market to arbitraguer CHARLES LEMONIDES of GRUNTAL & COMPANY. "We think the faster rebound will be in the high yield environment where there is a fixed payout over time and the analysis techniques are similar to risk arbitrage." Lemonides says there's no credit crunch at SAFEWAY where a 12% yield makes their bonds attractive to income oriented investors. Slightly more aggressive is RJR where non-cash paying bonds could return 20% over the next three and a half years, according to Lemonides. (FNN "Business A.M.", 11/27)

"Rates could begin dropping much faster, and very soon," says ROBERT BRUSCA of NIKKO SECURITIES CO. The underlying strength of the market is the basis for that decline in bond yields and other interest rates. ("Investor's Daily", 11/27)

STEVE RICCHUITO, an economist at BARCLAYS de ZOETE WEDD SECURITIES, INC., says the shift from short-term to longer-term securities is a sign that investors are becoming more confident and want to get the biggest bang for their investment buck. Although long-term securities are riskier than short-term securities, "if you believe that a recession will bring down interest rates and that oil prices are coming down, you want to be in long-term paper" since long-term securities appreciate faster than short-term securities when the market is rising, says Mr. Ricchuito. (WSJ, 11/27)

"What we saw [Monday] was a demonstration of the bond market's resiliency," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "The bond market is no longer intimidated by rising energy prices." (NYT, 11/27)

"Bonds generally ignored the higher crude prices," says DENNIS JARRETT of

KIDDER, PEABODY. "The equity and bond markets then moved in lock step." (NYT 11/27)

THE ECONOMY:

"Only by bringing inflation under control will we be able to promote maximum economic growth in the U.S. economy in the years ahead," says ROBERT PARRY, president of the FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO. He believes "more prudent lending standards should be applauded because they enhance the stability of our economy." ("Investor's Daily", 11/27)

While recent years have seen inflation among service-sector prices, that factor is likely to be lessened as the current downturn means "some slowdown in the volume of activity in the service industry is likely," according to GEOFFREY MOORE, director of the CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS CYCLE RESEARCH. He says overall, "inflation will continue to be a problem in the sense that it will be (growing at a rate of) 4%, but that does not mean it will be accelerating." ("Investor's Daily", 11/27)

ROBERT BRUSCA, an economist at NIKKO SECURITIES INC., cautioned that economic fundamentals may soon take a back seat to the escalating conflict in the Middle East. "The rhetoric is getting harsher, and [PRESIDENT BUSH and IRAQI PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN] are backing themselves into a corner and will wind up fighting their way out." (WSJ, 11/27)

"Unless we get something dramatically new, I think that resistance level [of $36 a barrel for oil] may prove to be a tough barrier," says WILLIAM O'NEILL, chief futures strategist at MERRILL LYNCH. "I think it's a crucial level. Technically, if we can close over that, there probably would be about another $2 in the market. So it's an important level technically and fundamentally." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 11/27)

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SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - American Stores Co. (NYSE: ASC) today announced sales for the 13-week third quarter ended Nov. 3, 1990, amount ed to $5,443,766,000, an increase of 3.30 percent over 1989. Sales year-to-date were $16,447,302,000, an increase of 3.69 percent over 1989. Like store sales increased 2.39 percent for the 13-week quarter and increased 2.72 percent for the 39 weeks year-to-date.

Third quarter earnings per common share were $0.89 versus $0.60 per common share in 1989, an increase of 48.33 percent.

The third quarter of 1990 includes gains on the sale of assets of $0.10 per common share, the majority of which related to the gain on the sale of the Buttrey Food and Drug Division. The third quarter of 1989 includes earnings

of $0.26 per common share from the sale of assets and expenses of $0.06 per common share resulting from the San Francisco earthquake. Net earnings for the third quarter 1990 were $30,906,000 compared to $18,847,000 in the third quarter of 1989.

Net earnings for the 39 weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990, amounted to $96,353,000, or $2.79 per common share compared to $65,002,000, or $1.84 per common share, for the comparable period of the prior year. The 1990, 39-week year-to-date includes earnings of $0.16 per common share from the sale of assets, while the 1989 year-to-date earnings per common share were increased by $0.56 per common share for non-recurring items. The 1989 non-recurring items were $0.46 from the sale of assets, $0.16 per common share of interest income associated with the Eagle sale partially offset by a charge of $0.06 per common share from expenses incurred as a result of the San Francisco earthquake.

The pre-tax LIFO charge to earnings in the third quarter of 1990 was $22,500,000 and decreased earnings per common share by $0.39 compared to $22,500,000 or $0.43 per common share in 1989. The year-to-date pre-tax LIFO charge to earnings of $62,500,000 decreased earnings per common share by $1.09 in 1990, compared to a pre-tax charge to earnings of $55,500,000, or $1.09 per common share in 1989.

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WEST LONG BRANCH, N.J. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Electronic Associates, Inc. (NYSE: EA) today announced an agreement to purchase 215,200 shares of its common stock from Raymond G. Perelman and two companies owned by him as part of the settlement of a derivative lawsuit brought by Perelman against EAI and certain of its current and former directors. The purchase of Perelman's stock EAI said, is separate from a 200,000-share open-market purchase plan announced Nov. 8, which will continue unchanged.

The purchase from Perelman will be at a price of $2.50 per share. In addition, Perelman will receive reimbursement of $125,000 of expenses incurred as a result of the lawsuit and other activities undertaken by him as a shareholder of EAI. EAI's insurer will pay $112,500 of these expenses. Thus, the total value of the transaction will be $663,000, and the cost to EAI will be $550,500. Funds for the purchase will be provided by bank financing.

The retirement of Perelman's shares into treasury stock should have a favorable effect on EAI's earnings per share and book value per share, said Robert G. Finney, president and chief executive officer. However, as a result of this transaction, EAI is required to record a charge in the fourth quarter equal to the difference between EAI's transaction cost and the current market price of the stock. With the current market price of $2.125 per share, that

charge will be $93,200 before tax.

"The purchase of all of the stock owned and controlled by Mr. Perelman brings to an end a relationship marked by disagreement and expense," a company statement said. "This year, for example, he sued the company and the directors over the EAI-Japan sale. While we believe this lawsuit was without merit, we have had to spend a substantial amount to date defending it. This agreement allows both Mr. Perelman and the company to concentrate on more fruitful pursuits. Mr. Perelman, his son Jeffrey and their affiliated companies have agreed not to purchase any EAI shares for five years."

Based in West Long Branch, N.J., EAI is engaged principally in two service businesses, contract manufacturing and field service, serving users and producers of electronic products and items. In contract manufacturing, EAI provides manufacturing services for products designed and marketed by customers. In field service, the company provides independent maintenance of electronic equipment.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - After ruling that the trade name "Univar" belongs to Seattle-based Univar Corp. (NYSE,PSW: UVX) , a company incorporated in 1924, the United States District Court in Los Angeles has ordered Software Acquisition Corp. and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Software Central, Inc., to cease using the name "Univar" as its own, and to turn over for destruction all signage, printed materials and other items which have the Univar name on them. The order came as a result of a motion for summary judgement filed in Los Angeles by Univar Corp., and granted by U.S. District Judge David Kenyon, Univar announced today.

"We are gratified by Judge Kenyon's decision," said Univar President and Chief Executive Officer James W. Bernard. "The Univar name is one we've worked hard to build over the decades, and the courts have upheld the correctness of our determination to aggressively pursue those who try to misappropriate it."

Univar Corp. is the corporate parent of Van Waters & Rogers Inc., America's largest chemical distributor, and Van Waters & Rogers Ltd., which is one of Canada's largest chemical distributors. Univar has a long history of creating value growth by acquiring, building and then selling or spinning off companies. Three other publicly traded companies, Penwest, VWR Corp. and Momentum Distribution Inc., were formed as spin-offs during the mid- to late-'80s. Within the past decade, Univar has bought and/or sold companies involved in activities ranging from grain milling to manufacturing, to distribution of electronic components.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Doctors say a new breast implant with a textured outer surface rather than the conventional smooth surface, solves a cosmetic problem familiar to the 100,000 women who have breast reconstruction and augmentation surgery every year: "Hard Breast Syndrome."

Hard Breast Syndrome occurs when a thick layer of scar tissue encapsulates a breast implant, causing the breast to feel and look hard and unnatural. Doctors call this phenomenon capsular contracture because the implant becomes encapsulated by the scar tissue, which, as it builds up, contracts around the prosthesis.

The textured outer silicone covering of the implant is what makes it different. Siltex has a rough textured outer surface that feels and looks natural to the woman herself. With other implants, the outer texture is smooth. For some women that is extremely important.

The formation of the capsule around the implant is a natural response to contact with an inert foreign substance. All breast implants are biocompatible and all implants will stimulate this natural response. The difference is in the degree of inflammatory response, which varies widely from woman to woman depending on her genetic pre-disposition to healing. With a smooth outer texture, in some cases, the scar tissue continues to form around the implant. Because the texture is dissimiliar to what is naturally inside the body, the scar tissue continues to form until the implant begins to wrinkle. The more the implant wrinkles, the more trauma to the area occurs, and the more scar tissue is formed; therefore, the breast gets hard and unnatural.

With a rougher outer surface, the new implant (Siltex) is more similar to tissue normally found within the body. Scar tissue still forms around the implant, but is disrupted by the prosthesis, keeping the consistency of the "new" breasts soft and natural.

Some women experience firmness right away with Siltex, but with time, the hardness gives way to natural softness. Many conventional implants start off feeling soft and harden with time -- exactly the opposite.

Another benefit of the new implants is less traumatic surgery. The incision needed to place the implants is no bigger than a finger, which makes for a quicker recovery, say doctors.

The new Siltex implant is manufactured by Mentor Corp. (NASDAQ: MNTR), a leading manufacturer of implantable devices. Anyone interested in receiving

free information can call The Breast Council at 1-800-221-5517 or write The Breast Council at P.O. Box 60260, Santa Barbara, CA, 93160. To set up interviews with Dr. Striker and his patients, call The Halsted Organization for Danielle Epstein or Wendy Basil at 1-800-522-8877.

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SANTA BARBARA, CALIF. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Geodynamics Corp. (NASDAQ: GDYN) announced today that its board of directors has approved a cash dividend of 6 cents for the second quarter of fiscal 1991, pursuant to its quarterly dividend policy. This dividend will be payable on or before Dec. 17, 1990, to all shareholders of record as of Dec. 7, 1990.

Geodynamics Corp., recently named in Forbes Magazine as one of the 200 best small companies in America, provides sophisticated systems engineering and custom application software in support of U.S. Government intelligence and military programs.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Israel Economic Corporation has rescheduled its conference on "The Integration of Soviet Engineers and Scientists into the Economy of Israel," to take place on May 6 and 7, 1991, at the United Nations Jewish Center, it was announced today by Dr. Mordecai Hacohen, honorary chairman of the corporation.

The conference will be held under the chairmanship of the world renowned scientist, Herman Branover, professor of Magnetohydrodynamics and head of Liquid Metal MHD Laboratories at the Ben Gurion University of the Negev in Beer Sheva and founder of SATEC the high-technology company in Jerusalem.

Many Soviet engineers and scientists who are now arriving in Israel in ever growing numbers must find employment in their profession if they are to settle in the country. It is estimated that within the next few years some 35,000 engineers and scientists will have to be absorbed in various industrial and research projects in Israel.

The purpose of the conference is to bring together top executives of leading American corporations in high-technology, financial institutions, venture capital entrepreneurs and R&D managers with a select group of outstanding

engineers and scientists who will present projects for which capital investments are required.

The conference in May 1991, will include an additional number of distinguished engineers and scientists who are shortly expected to arrive in Israel and will be included in the originally published agenda.

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WOBURN, MASS. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermedics Inc. (AMEX: TMD) announced today the award of $1.8 million in federally funded contracts relating to the company's explosives-detection technology.

The first contract, awarded by the Defense Advanced Research Project Agency and administered by the U.S. Army-Fort Belvoir, will fund the development of a land-mine detector. Thermedics will modify the vapor- detection technology now being used in its EGIS(R) explosives detector in order to develop a prototype instrument capable of detecting the explosive charge in a land mine, even if the mine itself is made from non-metallic materials. Many land mines are currently being made out of plastic to avoid identification by conventional metal detectors. U.S. Army sources estimate that a significant share of all casualties reported by U.S. forces during the Vietnam War were the result of land mines.

John W. Wood Jr., president of Thermedics, said, "Land mines have proven to be among the most harmful conventional weapons in armed combat. If we can successfully develop a way to detect those mines, it will be a major advance."

An additional contract, funded by the U.S. Department of State, provides for ongoing field support of the company's explosives detectors now being used abroad.

Thermedics develops, manufactures, and markets biomaterials, biomedical products, analytical instruments, and explosives- and drug- detection devices, and provides analytical laboratory services. Thermedics is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

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#90331p8374 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Dell Computer Corporation (NASDAQ: DELL) today reported record earnings per share of $.34 in the third quarter of fiscal 1991, which ended Nov. 3, 1990. Sales increased 43 percent to $136.7 million, fueled by strong gains in both domestic and international operations.

DELL COMPUTER CORPORATION
(In millions, except per share)

Periods ended	Third Quarter		Nine Months	
Fiscal Year	1991	1990	1991	1990
Net sales	$136.7	$ 95.5	$ 378.9	$ 278.7
Operating income	11.3	1.1	31.6	$ 10.4
Net income	6.9	.1	18.6	4.0
Earns. per share	$.34	$.01	$.94	$.21

"We are especially pleased with our domestic growth in light of the continued sluggishness in the United States market for personal computers," said Michael S. Dell, chairman and chief executive officer.

Domestic sales increased 25 percent to $95.1 million in the third quarter, compared with $76.1 million in the third quarter a year ago, and were up nearly 19 percent over sales of $80.2 million in the second quarter of this fiscal year.

International sales more than doubled to $41.6 million, vs. $19.4 million in the prior-year period. The company continued to expand its international operations during the quarter, opening its sixth wholly owned operating subsidiary in Italy and announcing a European manufacturing center in Ireland. Dell also has operating subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, Germany, Canada, France and Sweden.

Approximately half of the year-to-year revenue increase came from sales of five new higher-end systems introduced in late August, Dell noted. "Clearly, our customers recognize that these aggressively priced, high-performance systems represent an exceptional value," he said.

In total, sales of systems based on the Intel 386, 386SX and i486 microprocessors accounted for 88 percent of system revenues in the quarter, compared with 58 percent of system revenues in the third quarter a year ago.

"We are very well positioned in the high end of the market with four, i486 EISA-based systems and a full 386-based product line," said Dell. "Sales of i486-based systems have increased to nine percent of total system revenues in less than a year and are overtaking sales of our 286-based systems."

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WORCESTER, MA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Transgenic Sciences, Inc. (NASDAQ: TSIN) today announced that it has signed an agreement to acquire the Center for Diagnostic Products, Inc., (CDP) a privately held manufacturer of bioreagents including bulk human serum, plasma derived serums and other products used in the manufacture of human diagnostics. CDP will become the marketing arm for TSI's own line of proprietary diagnostic and laboratory reagents. The acquisition will be on a pooled interest basis involving the exchange of approximately 600,000 TSI common shares for all outstanding CDP stock. CDP is profitable on revenues of $3.5 million.

James Sherblom, TSI chairman and chief executive officer said, "CDP brings to TSI established relationships with the major diagnostic and boitechnology companies throughout the world. We plan to use this market position to build an expanded line of advanced bioreagents based on the combined research and product development efforts of both TSI and CDP. This merger brings to TSI another commercial outlet for its technology."

CDP, located in Milford, Mass., was established in 1987 from the CBR Laboratories subsidiary of The Center for Blood Research. CDP supplies critical and custom raw materials for use in the production of chemistry controls and medical diagnostic test kits to the worldwide biomedical and medical diagnostic communities. The company has recently expanded its product line to include a range of disease state human serums, animal serums, antigens calibrating serums and specialty items used for the manufacture of diagnostic test kits. Among the TSI products to be added to the CDP line are TMBlue(tm) and APPurple(tm), chromogenes used to enhance reactions in diagnostic test kits.

Lucien Liddy, president of CDP commented, "The relationship with TSI will provide us with much needed financial strength and management skills that will enable us to expand significantly and to better serve our customer base. I am particularly excited by the prospect of combining our market expertise with TSI's proven ability to develop new biological products."

TSI is a life sciences company developing advanced toxicology test and disease models based on genetic engineering and transgenic techniques to improve the efficiency of the pharmaceutical/chemical development process. TSI is also developing animal strains capable of producing commercially valuable pharmaceutical proteins, as well as strains with desirable growth and genetic characteristics.

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JACKSON, MICH. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company and The Detroit Edison Company (NYSE: DTE) today announced significant progress in the second year of a multi-year program aimed at optimizing the effectiveness of the world's largest barrier net at the Ludington Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Plant. The protective net was placed in Lake Michigan to keep fish from the power plant's water intake area.

The net, nearly 2.5 miles in length, made of nylon mesh, was installed in April and removed in late October. It was secured to the bottom of Lake Michigan by a heavy chain and 65 fixed anchors driven 10 feet into the lake bed.

The report is being submitted to an Advisory Committee, established by Consumers Power Company, comprised of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, the Michigan United Conservation Clubs and the National Wildlife Federation. Comments from these organizations and the report, will be submitted before the end of the year to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission which regulates the facility.

The barrier net proved effective in keeping fish outside the net, the report said. It was over 69 percent effective in keeping out chinook salmon more than 12 inches in length. Nearly 46 percent fewer alewives, the most numerous forage species at Ludington in 1989, were measured inside the barrier net than outside. Both are improvements on 1989 totals.

Overall, the barrier net was effective in keeping out more than 37.6 percent of all fish, a 25 percent improvement over 1989, the report said. The effectiveness-monitoring study showed that adult salmon and trout represent only about 3 percent of the total number of fish sampled in the vicinity of the plant. The alewife was the most abundant species, representing 62 percent and yellow perch the second most abundant, representing 17 percent. A total of 34 fish species were sampled during the study.

Detroit Edison is Michigan's largest electric utility serving nearly 5 million people in its 7,600-square-mile service area in southeastern Michigan.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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SHERMAN OAKS, CALIF. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - House of Fabrics Inc. (NYSE: HF)

recorded a 21 percent increase in net income per share for the third quarter as the company continued to realize substantial benefits from its expanding base of super stores.

For the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990, net income totaled $4,518,000, equal to 76 cents per share, compared with $4,296,000, or 63 cents per share, one year ago. Third quarter sales climbed 12.8 percent to $104,360,000 from $92,511,000 in the prior year.

Average shares outstanding for the third quarter totaled 5,947,511 in the current year and 6,811,686 in the prior year. The decreased number of shares outstanding in fiscal 1991 reflects the company's stock repurchase program. Under authorizations granted by its board of directors, the company has repurchased 1,107,500 shares at an average cost of $20.28 per share.

For the first three quarters, net income was $7,357,000 compared with $5,516,000, and on a per share basis was $1.19, up 47 percent from 81 cents in the comparable period of the prior fiscal year. Sales for the nine months advanced 10 percent to $278,137,000 from $253,310,000 in the year earlier period.

Gary L. Larkins, president and chief executive officer, said: "The company turned in another solid performance in the third quarter. As in past quarters our gains continue to reflect the favorable results being generated by our expanding base of super stores. Like store sales registered a 14 percent increase for the quarter.

"Over the past several years, our company has been making the transition from operating smaller 4,000 square foot units to our present reliance on much larger stores, averaging 12,000 square feet of space, and featuring a greatly expanded inventory. The conversion process is now approximately 70 percent completed. These super stores, which have been well received by customers, will provide a sturdy foundation for our continued progress.

House of Fabrics Inc. is the nation's largest chain of company owned and operated retail fabric stores with 613 currently in operation.

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TOKYO (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Kubota Corporation (NYSE: KUB), Japan's leading manufacturer of agricultural machinery, pipes, industrial machinery and housing materials, today issued its consolidated statements of earnings for the first half of fiscal 1990, reporting an increase in sales and a decline in profits from the comparable period of last year.

According to the statements, the company's sales for the April 1- Sept. 30 period totaled Yen 412.1 billion ($2,986 million), up 17.0 percent over the comparable period of the previous year, due to intensified sales efforts in domestic and overseas markets and an increase in the number of consolidated subsidiaries.

Domestic sales rose 12.5 percent to Yen 334.4 billion ($2,423 million) over the comparable period of the previous year owing to a healthy growth in the sales of environment control facilities, prefabricated houses, construction machinery and plastic pipes, buoyed by strong domestic demand. Agricultural machinery and ductile iron pipes, both Kubota's main products, also saw their sales expand.

Overseas sales surged a whopping 41.3 percent to Yen 77.7 billion ($563 million) over the comparable period of the previous year due partially to robust sales of electronics-related products in the U.S. market, boosting the ratio of export sales to total net sales by 3.3 percentage points to 18.9 percent over the comparable period of the previous year.

However, operating income declined 17.6 percent or Yen 2.8 billion to Yen 13.3 billion ($97 million) from the comparable period of the previous year as a result of soaring materials and construction costs as well as a rise in advance investment costs by new consolidated subsidiaries. Net income sagged 56.4 percent or Yen 3.1 billion to Yen 2.4 billion ($17 million).

Consequently, net income per shareholders' equity for the current business year shrunk Yen 2.18 to Yen 1.68 from the comparable period.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - King World Productions, Inc. (NYSE: KWP) today reported record revenues, net income, and earnings per share for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Results for the full year and fourth quarter were as follows:

KING WORLD PRODUCTIONS, INC.
(In millions)

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Revenues	$453.7	$396.4	+14
Net income before accounting change	84.1	73.2	+15
Net income after accounting change	84.1	76.1(B)	+10

Earnings per share:			
Net income before accounting change	$2.15	1.94	+11
Net income after accounting change	$2.15	2.01(B)	+7
Weighted average number of shares outstanding(A)	39.1	37.8	

Fourth Quarter Ended Aug. 31	1990	1989	Pct. Change
Revenues	$101.8	$ 93.0	+9
Net income	18.5	16.7	+11
Earnings per share(A)	$0.47	$0.44	+7
Weighted average number of shares outstanding(A)	38.9	37.8	

(A) -- After giving effect to a three-for-two stock split paid by the company on July 23, 1990, to holders of record on July 9, 1990.

(B) -- Includes the effect of a change in accounting for income taxes adopted by the company in fiscal 1989 which increased net income and earnings per share by approximately $2.9 million and $0.07 in 1989.

King World is the leading distributor of first-run programming, including "Wheel of Fortune," "Jeopardy!" and "The Oprah Winfrey Show," the three highest-rated series in first-run syndication, and "Inside Edition," the sixth highest-rated first-run syndicated strip and "Instant Recall," both produced by the company. "Arts and Entertainment Revue," an hour-long weekly magazine is also produced by King World in association with the Arts and Entertainment Network. King World also distributes its own library of 68 feature films and 210 television programs, and through its barter subsidiary, Camelot Entertainment Sales, Inc., sells national advertising time in King World programming and other television programming. In addition, King World is the owner of WIVB-TV, the CBS affiliate in Buffalo, N.Y.

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BOSTON (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Instrument Systems (AMEX: THI) today announced receipt of a record $2.3 million order for advanced air pollution analyzers to equip a new monitoring network in Taiwan.

Under the order, Thermo Instrument is providing more than 300 instruments and

related equipment for detecting and measuring pollutants in ambient or open air throughout the heavily industrialized and populated island nation. Each of approximately 65 stations in the network's initial phase will be equipped with analyzers from Thermo Instrument. The instruments will analyze ambient air to detect and measure gases designated in this country as criteria pollutants -- sulfer dioxide, oxides of nitrogen, ozone, and carbon monoxide -- linked to a range of environmental and health problems.

The order comes as a result of Thermo Instrument's longtime interest in Taiwan and with the assistance of the Massachusetts Office of International Trade and Investment (OITI). The Office of International Trade works with Massachusetts companies to expand their markets overseas. OITI assisted Thermo Instrument by introducing key Taiwanese trade officials in Massachusetts and Taipei to company executives, providing opportunities to demonstrate their products and technical capabilities.

Denis A. Helm, Thermo Instrument vice president and head of its monitoring instrument operations in Franklin, Mass., said, "Establishing an advanced, nationwide air-quality monitoring network will benefit Taiwan and, in a larger sense, other Pacific Basin countries. We're glad that our instruments have again been selected for determining the nature and extent of a nation's environmental problems and, most important, monitoring progress toward the solutions."

Thermo Instrument is the world's leading supplier of environmental monitoring instruments and has previously supplied equipment for major air monitoring networks in the Netherlands; Israel; and the Chinese cities of Beijing, Lanzhou, and Anshan.

Thermo Instrument Systems develops, manufactures, and markets analytical instruments used to detect and monitor air pollution, radioactivity, complex chemical compounds, and toxic metals and other elements in a broad range of liquids and solids. The company also provides environmental science and engineering services, laboratory-based testing, and nuclear health physics services. Thermo Instrument Systems is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

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WILLOW GROVE, PA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - C. Scott Kulicke, chairman of Kulicke and Soffa Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: KLIC), reported today that sales for fiscal year 1990 were $102,812,000 with a net income of $3,390,000 or 44 cents per share, compared with sales of $96,475,000 and net income of $5,827,000 or 75 cents per share in 1989.

"These are preliminary numbers," Kulicke commented, "which are still being audited. Detailed financial data will be released in the 10K."

Clifford G. Sprague, chief financial officer, noted, "Net income in 1990 was impacted by one-time charges of approximately $4.8 million recorded during the second quarter. Additionally, during the year, K&S recorded extraordinary gains of $1,441,000 ($0.19 per share) from the early retirement of outstanding debentures at prices below face value.

"Sales for the fourth quarter were $28,216,000 with a net income of $2,347,000 or 31 cents per share, compared with sales of $22,863,000 with a net income of $953,000 or 12 cents per share for the fourth quarter 1989."

"As we continue to strengthen our financial position," commented Kulicke, "we are also carefully observing the tense world situation and troubling economic news so that we can properly manage any change in the marketplace. However, backlog at the end of 1990 was $22 million, an increase of 16 percent over the 1989 year end backlog of $19 million and our orders are stable. We remain cautiously optimistic about the present year and we are moving ahead with our product development plans."

Kulicke and Soffa is a leading global supplier of assembly equipment and systems for the semiconductor industry. K&S serves both the IC and hybrid markets with sales and service facilities worldwide. In addition to wire bonding systems, the company's product line includes wafer preparation, wafer dicing and die bonding systems. Traded on the Over-the-Counter National Market, the company's headquarters are located in Willow Grove.

KULICKE AND SOFFA INDUSTRIES INC.
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months		12 months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$28,216,000	$22,863,000	$102,812,000	$96,475,000
Income (loss) from operations	2,655,000	752,000	3,684,000	4,406,000
Net interest (expense)	(220,000)	(268,000)	(990,000)	(1,541,000)
Other income	--	126,000	--	889,000
Income (loss) before income taxes and extraordinary gain	2,435,000	610,000	2,694,000	5,754,000
Tax (benefit)	327,000	(343,000)	745,000	(73,000)
Income (loss) before extraordinary gain	2,108,000	953,000	1,949,000	5,827,000
Extraordinary gain				

net of tax	239,000	--	1,441,000	--
Net income (loss)	2,347,000	953,000	3,390,000	5,827,000
Income per share before extraordinary gain	$0.27	$0.12	$0.25	$0.75
Extraordinary gain per share	0.04	--	0.19	--
Net income (loss) per share	0.31	0.12	0.44	0.75
Average shares outstanding	7,811,522	7,747,381	7,780,786	7,720,050

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LOWELL, MA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Wang Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: WAN) and the University of Southern California (USC) today announced an alliance for marketing an automated student admissions processing application.

The solution is designed to help colleges and universities improve their admissions process and achieve strategic advantage over competing schools. It allows admissions counselors to view electronic images of student applications transcripts, letters of recommendation, and other paper-based documents interactively with computerized student data records.

Installed at USC, the system has enabled the university to reduce processing time for admissions applicants from six to three weeks, to eliminate lost documents which are inherent to a paper file system, and to decrease file space requirements.

"USC competes with many top-ranked schools for students," said Tom Myers, director of Information Systems and Research at USC. "The faster we can decide and notify an applicant of acceptance, the greater chance the student will select USC. Increasing competition for students among institutions will lead them to computer imaging to gain advantage in processing admissions."

The application will be marketed by Wang to colleges and universities worldwide. Wang will be demonstrating it at the CAUSE90 conference which runs Nov. 27-30 in Miami Beach, Fla. CAUSE is an association of college and university information technology professionals.

The application runs on Wang Integrated Image Systems (WIIS) which are based on Wang VS mid-range computers. With WIIS, paper documents are electronically duplicated as images using scanners and stored for quick retrieval. Once documents are scanned and indexed into a computer database, they can be accessed interactively by an entire admissions department.

The Wang/USC application is designed to efficiently process incoming student applications and financial aid requirements. It can also be extended to services such as student recruiting, scholarship administration, registration and generalized student or alumni records.

The system can operate in a multivendor environment. For example, USC's imaging system was integrated into its existing Prime Computer network.

USC has also integrated Wang's Freestyle(tm) personal computing system which permits counselors to electronically add handwritten annotations on applicants' transcripts while the images are being viewed on the workstation.

CONTACT: Albie Jarvis of Wang, 508-967-1523; or Tom Myers of USC, 213-740-6586.

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#90331p8392 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

BELLEVUE, WASH. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Millions of melon seeds are sprouting into new ocean freight business for DANZAS' Denver office.

Fall is the export season for southern Colorado's "cucurbit" or melon-seed industry, as container loads of seed move to farmers in warm- weather growing regions near the Mediterranean Sea. DANZAS, the worldwide freight forwarder that has expanded its services throughout the United States over the past 18 months, expects to nurture the successful export of 50,000 kilos of seed this season.

Ocean freight and customs brokerage are new services for DANZAS' Colorado customers. The company's Denver office recently added new staff members and established a direct computer link with the U.S. Customs Service Automated Broker Interface System (ABI) to provide mountain region shippers the same capabilities available in major seaport cities. They can now tap into a 34-country door-to-door ocean freight forwarding network through DANZAS Corp. and the DANMAR Lines NVOCC.

DANZAS' Denver District Vice President is Rosalie Kent. She is supported by Jacquelynn Martino, ocean export/import coordinator, and Rod Horton, district licensed customshouse broker.

"We have seen an immediate demand in Denver for more sophisticated ocean and customs services," said Kent.

Colorado growers are shipping their melon seeds via DANZAS to the south of France, Italy and several markets in the Middle East, Kent said. The largest recent shipment -- three 40' ocean containers -- went to Haifa, Israel. Other Colorado customers are importing textile products from the far east and exporting all kinds of industrial equipment, including an entire assembly line for a plant in Indonesia.

With the addition of new services in Denver, DANZAS continued its extension of ocean freight and customs brokerage capabilities in the western United States. The company handles large volumes of import and export sea freight on the east coast and in southeastern states. Since its 1989 acquisition of Northern Air Freight (a strong west coast company) DANZAS has established additional ocean and customs services in Seattle, Portland and San Francisco and expanded its capabilities in Los Angeles. DANZAS/Charlotte has also established new ocean and customs services.

Commercial and industrial companies can work with DANZAS as a freight forwarder or ship goods via DANZAS' Non Vessel Operating Common Carrier (NVOCC), DANMAR Lines. The company also operates extensive truck and rail distribution systems in Europe.

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#90331p8394 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAUGUS, CA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Rexhall Industries (NASDAQ: REXL) today announced its adoption of a stock repurchase program to purchase from time to time as market conditions warrant up to 150,000 shares of its outstanding common stock; currently, Rexhall has 2,405,000 shares outstanding.

The company believes that currently the market price of its stock does not reflect its true value and therefore repurchasing its shares would be an appropriate investment for the company and in the long- term best interests of its stockholders.

The shares will be repurchased in open market transactions through brokers/dealers in accordance with SEC Rule 10b-18.

CONTACT: Al J. Theis, CFO, Rexhall Industries Inc., 805-253-1295

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#90331p8397 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CALIF. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Automotive Corporation (NASDAQ: PKRA) announced today that it has agreed to enter into a long-term distribution agreement for its CarbonClean products in Spain and Portugal with Medosa Servicios, S.A., a domestic associate of the CEPSA group of companies. Medosa Servicios, S.A. has been assigned this project by CEPSA and will coordinate the entrance of the remaining divisions of CEPSA into the project.

CEPSA Group is one of the most important industrial corporations in Spain. Its activities include all areas relating to the petroleum industry, which are carried out by the parent company and more than forty interrelated companies.

Total turnover in 1989 was over 450,000 million pesetas ($4.5 billion U.S.).

Today, CEPSA has two refineries, numerous petrol chemical plants, two plants for lubricants, three for packaging, one for manufacturing asphalts, eleven plastics processing plants, one fine chemical plant, four bunkering factories, six airplane supply stations, six commercial offices and an extensive network of service stations, all which provide the group with a strong brand image. CEPSA (Compania Espanol de Petroleos, S.A.) was established on Sept. 26, 1929. As of Dec. 31, 1989 company capital totaled 29,730,549,000 pesetas ($297,305,490 U.S.).

CEPSA's shares have been quoted on the continuous stock market as quantified listed securities since September, 1989. The degree of CEPSA's commercial development is rising. It supplies the national market of Spain from both inside and outside the scope of the monopoly, is active in marine ports and airports and carries out major export activity. More than forty well-established and diversified companies represent a structure integrated in the field of petroleum. Its activities span exploration, crude production to plastics processing and technological research in its own facilities.

Parker Automotive manufactures a line of products marketed under the CarbonClean name that are patented and proprietary. These products have proven to reduce emissions, increase fuel economy and improve maintenance management in tests around the world.

PAC suspended trading in its NASDAQ-listed securities Tuesday, Nov. 20 as too many parties were aware of the negotiations. The company wanted to wait until the agreement in principle was fully negotiated before any news of the magnitude of the agreement reached the public.

CONTACT: Diane Parker of Parker Automotive, 714-641-1515

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#90331p8402 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - United Distillers, the spirits company of Guinness PLC, has reached agreement with all the shareholders of Asbach & Co. (Asbach) to acquire 67.5 percent of Asbach of Rudesheim, on the Rhine, Germany.

Asbach produces, markets and sells the famous Asbach Uralt brandy, the leading German premium brandy and which, in value, is the largest spirits brand in that market. The company also distributes Furst Bismark Doppelkorn, a premium grain spirit, the leading domestic Doppelkorn. In the year to Dec. 31, 1989, the Asbach Group's turnover was DM 468 million (158.6 million pounds sterling at the illustrative rate of exchange of 1 pound equals DM 2.95). The consolidated net assets at that date were DM 99 million (33.6 million pounds).

Tony Greener, managing director of United Distillers, commenting on the

acquisition, said, "We are delighted to have reached a unanimous agreement with members of the families of Asbach to acquire a controlling interest in the company. The Asbach name is highly respected in Germany, and we are very pleased to be associated with such a famous brand. Asbach will significantly strengthen United Distillers' position and broaden its premium branded portfolio in the important German market. United Distillers look forward to working with the Asbach Company to further develop its business in the future."

The consideration is not material in relation to the net assets of Guinness PLC.

CONTACT: Bill Spears of Guinness PLC, London 011-44-71-486-0288, or Felicia Vonella of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for Guinness

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#90331p8404 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Environmental Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: EESI) today announced that it has purchased an operating industrial waste landfill with 10 million yards of capacity in South Carolina. The purchase price was not disclosed. However, EESI President Randall W. Skuba stated that "the purchase price included cash, EESI stock and the assumption of certain debt."

EESI's strategy is to continue to acquire landfills and waste hauling companies in the eastern and midwestern U.S. to create a large regional network of disposal and transportation companies handling special and industrial wastes. EESI now owns and operates three landfills and has signed letters of intent to acquire eight landfills in six states. Acquisition of the eight landfills is subject to company due diligence items and regulataory approval and company officials emphasize that there is no guarantee that any of the landfills will be acquired.

CONTACT: Randall W. Skuba, president of Eastern Environmental Services, Inc., 717-788-4155

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#90331p8405 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Milton Roy Company (NYSE: MRC) today announced that the special meeting of shareholders called for purposes of taking action with respect to the company's proposed merger with Sundstrand Corporation (NYSE: SNS) has been rescheduled for Friday, Jan. 4, 1991, and that the proxy materials for the meeting will be mailed to shareholders on Wednesday, Nov. 28. If shareholders approve the transaction it is expected to be consummated on Jan. 8, 1991, or as promptly as practicable thereafter.

On Sept. 21, 1990, Milton Roy and Sundstrand Corporation announced a merger

agreement under which Milton Roy shareholders, other than Sundstrand, will receive $28 in cash for each outstanding share. Additionally, shareholders would receive two cents per share associated with the redemption of rights related to the company's Share Purchase Rights Plan (Poison Pill).

Milton Roy is a multinational manufacturing company which produces process control equipment and analytical instruments. Major product lines include metering and centrifugal pumps, spectophotometers, mass spectrometers and environmental and automotive emissions testing equipment. These products are used in a wide variety of industrial, research and educational applications where they control and monitor the flow of liquids and analyze the components of a complex mixture of fluids or gases.

Sundstrand Corporation, with 1989 sales of $1,595.4 million, is a market leader in the design, manufacture, and sale of a variety of proprietary, technology-based components and subsystems for aerospace (67 percent of 1989 sales) and industrial (33 percent of 1989 sales) markets. Sundstrand's common stock is listed on the New York, Midwest and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol SNS.

CONTACT: John M. McNamara, vice president-finance of Milton Roy Company, 813-823-4444

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#90331p8409 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Cineplex Odeon Corporation (NYSE: CPX) today announced that it has reached agreement in principle with its banking syndicates to replace existing lending agreements with a new four-year banking agreement. This agreement is required to be finalized by Jan. 14, 1991.

The new bank agreement will combine the banks which were formerly in two separate syndicates, and three other banks that were outside such syndicates, to form a single bank group.

Additionally, the new arrangements eliminate previously existing compulsory asset sale requirements and defer any principal repayments until July 1992. The new bank agreement will also relax financial covenants to which the corporation is subject.

In accordance with previously announced commitments, MCA Inc. and the Claridge Group have already advanced to the corporation US$100 million in subordinated debt pursuant to pre-existing bank agreements; approximately US$40 million was advanced on Oct. 10, 1990, and the balance was advanced on Nov. 26, 1990.

The newly revised bank arrangements require that the subordinated debt be converted to equity by May 31, 1991. The board of directors of the corporation is currently exploring the possibility of effecting a rights offering of

equity shares to accomplish this.

Also provided for in these arrangements is the previously disclosed new secured US$35 million credit line under which the corporation's two largest shareholders, MCA Inc. and the Claridge Group, will provide funds.

In commenting upon today's announcement, Allen Karp, the corporation's president and chief executive officer, stated that, "these arrangements represent something of a milestone in the restructuring of our corporation.

"Having in place a businesslike, stable banking relationship over the long term, together with the financial commitment of our shareholders to strengthen our equity base and provide appropriate working capital, will enable the corporation to continue its ongoing revitalization program in a positive manner."

Cineplex Odeon is one of the largest theatre circuits in North America, with approximately 1,700 screens in 415 locations.

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#90331p8411 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOWELL, MASS. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Wang Laboratories Inc. (AMEX: WAN) today announced that it has signed an agreement that will make it the official computer company of The Great American Pyramid and Festival Island, a sports and entertainment complex curently under construction along the banks of the Mississippi River in Memphis, Tenn.

Wang will supply the Pyramid and Island with personal computers (PCs), mid-range systems, cabling, point-of-sale devices, security and timecard processors, voice mail systems, office systems, application systems, and consulting. The agreement calls for Wang's products to enjoy exclusive status and be included in numerous promotions involving the Pyramid.

"We feel that the relationship with Wang is perfect for us," said Dean Bonham of Bonham/Shlenker & Associates, the sports-marketing agency for the Pyramid project. "We decided to approach Wang because it is on the leading edge of computer technology, providing products and services that pull together a lot of different components. Wang showed us how to computerize our project in a way to provide the maximum efficiency. But more than anything else, we were impressed with the Wang people -- their professionalism, vision, and foresight. They are the kind of people with whom we wanted to do business."

"We are extremely excited to be the official computer supplier to the Pyramid project," said Michael Bullard, corporate account executive in Wang's Memphis office. "This is an opportunity for Wang to be affiliated with one of the

most unique attractions in the world. Memphis can be particularly proud of the Pyramid, and Wang is enthusiastic to share in the excitement over the project."

Scheduled to open in June 1991, The Great American Pyramid and Festival Island will be the nation's largest sports and entertainment complex. The stainless steel-clad Pyramid will be more than 30 stories tall and will boast a range of multi-media attractions. These include: the Egyptian Experience; the Memphis Music Experience and American Music Awards Hall of Fame; a glass-enclosed Inclinator ride rising to the Pinnacle of the Pyramid; a 22,000-seat, all-purpose arena; the College Football Hall of Fame; and a host of shops and restaurants. Just blocks from The Great American Pyramid, sitting right in the middle of the mighty Mississippi River is Festival Island, an oasis celebrating American music and the Mississippi River.

CONTACT: Linda Volpe Kincaid of Wang Laboratories, 508-967-6425; or Mitzi Swentzell of The Great American Pyramid, 901-529-1991

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#90331p8412 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHINO, CA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - American Confectionary Corp. (NASDAQ: CNDY) headquartered here, today announced that Larry Batina has been appointed president and chief operating officer, and that Arnold Gendel, formerly an ACC consultant, will become chief executive officer.

Steve Kircher, formerly president, chief executive officer and chairman, will retain the latter position and will continue to guide the overall direction of the company.

The changes were prompted by the company's desire to consolidate management, production, distribution and office personnel at its Chino plant following the divestiture of ACC's retail assets, including the Sacramento-based J. Higby's yogurt chain. All of American Confectionary's manufacturing and office personnel will now be housed in the Chino facility.

Batina, 38, has almost 10 years of experience in consumer food and beverage markets. For the past four years, he served as chief financial officer of Klein Foods, a privately held consumer food and beverage company distributing packaged products such as sunflower seeds, nuts and raisins, as well as operating a 250,000 case winery. Batina is a certified public accountant and holds a masters in business administration from Harvard University.

Gendel, 49, has more than 25 years in the confectionery and nut meat industry. Since July of this year, he had been serving ACC as sales consultant, taking charge of the company's marketing drive targeted toward major retailers, particularly supermarkets and mass merchandisers. From 1980 to 1988, Gendel was executive vice president of the candy division of MEI Corp., a $200 million California-based confectioner. During this time, he expanded sales of the

company's candy lines to major supermarket chains including Safeway, Waldbaum's and A & P, and to mass merchandisers such as Sears Roebuck and Price Co.

American Confectionary is a manufacturer and distributor of gourmet treats, including nuts, candies and chocolates and sugarless candies and chocolates.

CONTACT: Steve Kircher, chairman of American Confectionary Corp., 916-635-3131; Jimmy Caplan of Market Makers, 805-569-6919, or Rick Eisenberg of Eisenberg Communications, 212-496-6828, both for American Confectionary Corp.

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#90331p8413 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Omnicom Group Inc. (NYSE: OMC) declared a cash dividend of $0.275 a share to be paid on the corporation's issued and outstanding common stock on Jan. 4, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Fred Meyer, 212-415-3631, or John Watt, 212-415-3634, both of Omnicom

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#90331p8414 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CALIF. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Expressing confidence in the ability of Parker Automotive Corporation's (NASDAQ: PKRA) management team, a judge today vacated a temporary receivership that had been imposed with notice effective Nov. 19, 1990 in an action filed by the creditor's committee of another company owned by Michael E. Parker, shareholder and director of Parker Automotive Corporation.

At a hearing on the matter on Nov. 21, 1990, attorneys and representatives of the party seeking the receivership admitted they were unable to find any unusual transactions between Parker Automotive Corporation and Michael E. Parker.

Michael E. Parker made the following statement: "Several months ago, I announced that in the event claims made against me began to detract from the operation of Parker Automotive Corporation, I would resign as chief executive officer of the company. Recent events have convinced me that the time has come for me to do just that. The company has passed the development stage and become a substantial entity marketing its products in more than 60 countries worldwide. I cannot allow the confusion that is generated by the outrageous allegations being made against me to interfere with the growth and potential of the company. Therefore, I have resigned as chief executive officer of the company effective immediately. I will remain with the company as a director and will continue to focus my attention on its sales and marketing efforts.

"Subject to the approval of the board of directors, Ronald L. Cedillos has been nominated as chief executive officer of the company, and I have every confidence that his experience and abilities will provide the company with skilled leadership as the company continues to grow.

"The management team of Mr. Cedillos; Eric A. McAfee, chief financial officer; Donley L. Lincicome, vice president of operations; Mark C. Wessel, vice president of international sales; and Diane M. Parker, vice president of investor relations, is totally qualified to manage the operations of the company in an efficient and effective manner."

CONTACT: Diane M. Parker of Parker Automotive, 714-641-1515

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#90331p8415 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Abrams Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ABRI) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the company to repurchase up to a total of 100,000 shares of its common stock during the 12 month period beginning Nov. 27, 1990, and ending Nov. 26, 1991.

Any such purchases, if made, could be in the open market at prevailing prices or in privately negotiated transactions.

It is expected that such repurchased shares would be held for existing or future key employee stock option plans and/or for possible stock splits or dividends.

As of this date there are 2,994,039 shares of Abrams Industries Inc. common stock outstanding.

Abrams Industries Inc. is in its 66th year of business and operates in three segments: construction, manufacturing and real estate.

CONTACT: Bernard W. Abrams, CEO, or Joseph H. Rubin, CFO, of Abrams Industries, 404-256-9785

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#90331p8417 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUMTER, SC (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The proposed merger between NBSC Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: NSCB) and Southern National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SNAT) advanced a step Monday when NBSC board members approved the definitive share exchange agreement between the two corporations. The agreement now has to be approved by Southern National.

Among other provisions, the agreement specifies that Sumter will be the

corporate headquarters of Southern National Bank of South Carolina, the operating bank in South Carolina when the corporations merge, and that SNB South Carolina's operations center will be located in NBSC's present operations facility in Sumter. NBSC employees will continue to receive benefits in the aggregate comparable to those received now.

"We expect shareholders to vote on the merger sometime next spring," said Marvin Trapp, NBSC's chairman and chief executive officer.

Merger coordinators from NBSC and Southern National have been developing plans to integrate operations of the two banks. These plans will be shared with employees as soon as available.

A comprehensive prospectus and proxy statement with complete details about the merger will be mailed to NBSC shareholders before they vote.

NBSC's common stock is traded over-the-counter and is quoted under the symbol NSCB on the NASDAQ National Market System.

CONTACT: Nancy S. Mayne, Vice President, Director, Marketing and Public Relations, 803-778-8225, office, or 803-773-3666, home

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#90331p8420 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Bombay Company, Inc. reported today that sales for the Bombay Company for the four week period ended Nov. 25 1990 were $11,270,000, an increase of 20 percent. Sales for stores in existence more than one year decreased 6 percent.

CONTACT: Carson R. Thompson, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, 817-347-8200

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#90331p8421 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Partners in the long-stalled, 300-million-barrel Point Arguello offshore oil project today announced plans to prepare for startup of production and the utilization of pipeline transportation to carry up to 20,000 barrels per day of oil to refineries outside Southern California. Point Arguello is permitted to produce a maximum of 100,000 barrels of oil per day, equivalent to approximately half of U.S. imports from Kuwait prior to the Iraqi invasion.

In a letter sent today to Secretary of Energy James D. Watkins, Kenneth T. Derr, chairman of Chevron Corp., on behalf of the 18-company Point Arguello consortium, thanked the Department of Energy for its efforts to negotiate a compromise between the project and Santa Barbara County officials which would

have brought the Point Arguello crude into production quickly, while addressing environmental concerns.

Consistent with commitments made by the partners to DOE in its efforts to secure a compromise, Derr said the partners are willing to do their part to respond to the President's call for increased domestic production. Production of up to 20,000 barrels of oil per day from Point Arguello will begin as quickly as possible.

Preparations to reactivate the projects mothballed facilities -- including three offshore platforms, onshore and offshore pipelines, onshore oil and gas processing plants, storage tanks and a marine terminal -- will take several months.

Santa Barbara County officials rejection of DOE's compromise and of Chevron's proposal for interim tankering using only double-hulled vessels has made it impossible to use refineries in the Los Angeles area, where the partners can process Point Arguello crude. There are no feasible pipelines to this destination currently.

Derr noted that earlier attempts by Chevron to build a pipeline to carry Point Arguello crude to the Los Angeles basin, the largest market for motor fuels in the world, were thwarted by elected officials there, leading the partners to request interim tankering. Santa Barbara County officials prefer that the thick offshore oil be blended with light crude to allow it to flow through a new connecting line which would have to be built and tied into an existing, limited-volume line to Los Angeles.

Contact: G. Michael Marcy of Chevron Corp., 805-658-4445

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#90331p8422 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) will telecast training programs and newscasts, beginning today, through its new Chrysler Dealer Network (CDN).

Half-hour training programs and three-minute newscasts will be telecast six hours per day every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Topics will range from sales and technician training to dealership success stories.

"Our satellite provides instant communication to our dealer body," said Clay James, CDN manager. "It dovetails with our existing dealer communications and provides a valuable service to our dealerships at no cost."

The free programming will be funded through advertising, much like a commercial network, James said. Automotive supply companies and businesses not traditionally linked with the automotive industry are interested in

advertising on the network. Potential advertisers include Time Magazine, International Business Machines Corporation (IBM), The Reynolds & Reynolds Co. ADP Dealer Services Inc., Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. and Champion Spark Plug Co.

Ross Roy Productions of Detroit will produce the news and training segments and Chrysler personnel will sell the air time.

Each show will be telecast 12 times during the three days to allow dealership personnel flexibility in viewing, James said.

Chrysler has installed satellite dishes at most of its 5,300 dealerships and regional and zone offices in the United States. The network is the largest private satellite network in the world.

Transmissions are bounced off a Hughes Network Systems satellite in orbit more than 22,000 miles above Earth.

Chrysler recently telecast its 1991 Model Dealer Announcement Show to dealers nationwide.

CONTACT: Scott Fosgard, 313-956-1102, or Tom Jakobowski, 313-956-1881, both of Chrysler

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#90331p8428 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANDOVER, MD (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Hechinger Company (NASDAQ-NMS: HECHA, HECHB), a chain of 116 specialty retail do-it- yourself home centers, today announced sales and earnings for its third quarter, which ended Nov. 3, 1990.

Sales for the quarter were up 14 percent to $349.0 million from $306.9 million last year. Earnings were $4.9 million ($.15 per share) compared to $5.4 million ($.16 per share) last year. Comparable store sales were down 4 percent during the quarter.

Sales for the first nine months of the current fiscal year were up 18 percent to $1.08 billion from $918.7 million last year. Earnings, before the nonrecurring cumulative effect of adoption of SFAS 96, Accounting for Income Taxes, were $24.1 million ($.68 per share) up 7 percent from $22.5 million ($.64 per share) last year. Comparable store sales were up 2 percent for the first nine months of this year.

During the quarter, the company opened three Home Quarters Warehouse stores, one in Denbigh, Va., and the first two of approximately 12 HQ stores to be opened in the Boston metropolitan area in the communities of Danvers and Norwood. In November the company expanded its Home Quarters division with the opening of three additional stores: one in Columbus, Ga.; a third store in

Birmingham, Ala.; and a third store in the Boston area in Brockton, Mass. Expansion plans for the Home Quarters division for 1991 include continuing to fill in the greater Boston market; Montgomery, Ala.; Memphis, Tenn.; Louisville, Ky.; Cincinnati, Ohio; and in the Raleigh, N.C. market in Cary, N.C.

Hechinger has also announced plans to strengthen its presence in existing markets with the opening of four Hechinger stores in 1991. The new stores will be located in Leesburg, Va.; Largo, Md.; Maple Shade, N.J.; and Reading, Pa.

The company recently announced the election of Allan J. Bloostein, Ann D. Jordan and Alan J. Zakon as outside directors to the company's board. Bloostein has over 35 years of experience in the retailing industry and is currently a consultant in both retail and consumer goods marketing. Jordan currently serves on the board of Johnson & Johnson Corporation, Capital Cities - ABC, Inc., and Primerica, Inc. Zakon is currently a managing director and chairman of the Strategic Policy Committee at Bankers Trust Corporation. Bloostein, Jordan and Zakon join Herbert J. Broner, retired chairman, president and chief executive officer of Mohasco Corporation and David O. Maxwell, chairman and chief executive officer of the Federal National Mortgage Association as outside directors of the company.

Hechinger Company operates 87 Hechinger stores, 23 Home Quarters Warehouse stores and 6 Triangle Building Centers stores in 14 states and the District of Columbia.

HECHINGER COMPANY
Consolidated Statements of Earnings
(in thousands except per share data)

	13 Weeks Ended		39 Weeks Ended	
	Nov. 3, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989	Nov. 3, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
Revenues				
Net Sales	$348,993	$306,920	$1,083,322	$918,657
Other	2,079	1,602	3,969	5,030
Total Revenues	351,072	308,522	1,087,291	923,687
Costs and Expenses				
Cost of sales	260,949	230,108	808,332	688,696
Selling, general and administrative expenses	80,293	67,751	235,047	194,149
Interest Expense	2,713	2,943	8,974	8,693
Total Costs and Expenses	343,955	300,802	1,052,353	891,538
Earnings before income taxes and				

cumulative effect of adoption of SFAS 96	7,117	7,720	34,938	32,149
Income taxes	2,206	2,316	10,830	9,645
Earnings before cumulative effect of adoption of SFAS 96	$4,911	$ 5,404	$ 24,108	$ 22,504
As detailed below Primary and fully diluted earnings per share:				
Before cumulative effect of adoption of SFAS 96	$.15	$.16	$.68	$.64
Average number of common and common equivalent shares Outstanding, Primary and fully diluted	40,480,057	40,745,531	40,548,631	40,826,810

Note: During the year ended Feb. 3, 1990, the company adopted SFAS 96, Accounting for Income Taxes. The cumulative effect of this change for the prior years resulted in an increase in net earnings of $3.2 million in the quarter ended April 29, 1989, or $.07 per share. Net earnings per common share for the 39 weeks ended July 29, 1989, were $.55 cents per share.

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ATHLONE, IRELAND (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Elan Corporation, plc (AMEX: ELN) today announced acquisition of worldwide rights from Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in Chicago for a new agent with unique and promising therapeutic potential in multiple sclerosis.

The compound, codenamed EL970, has been evaluated at Rush Multiple Sclerosis Center under the direction of neurologist Floyd A. Davis, M.D., and the medical center has obtained an Orphan Drug designation.

EL970 is not a cure for MS, but it can restore nerve conduction in the demyelinated nerve fibers which characterize the illness. This results in improvement of both motor and visual functions in many multiple sclerosis patients.

In preliminary placebo-controlled clinical studies, clinically important improvements were observed in 86 percent of patients.

Elan, using one of its proprietary delivery systems, will formulate the drug to reduce current dosing interval requirements and achieve more sustained blood levels of the compound.

Elan said it plans to market the product directly in the U.S. in keeping with its strategy to self market products to niche markets.

Under terms of the agreement, Elan will have access to the Rush data base and, with key technical and clinical support from Rush, will fund multicenter clinical trials and be responsible for regulatory interaction and submissions. Elan will pay Rush a data access fee, a series of milestone payments, and will also pay a royalty on product sales.

Elan is a leader in the specialized health care field of advanced reformulation and drug delivery, concentrating on improved drug absorption and utilization. Elan operates research and manufacturing facilities in Athlone; Gainesville, Ga.; Enschede, Netherlands; Manila, Philippines; Brea, Calif. and Cambridge, Mass.

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#90331p8432 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Bio-Technology General Corp. (NASDAQ: BTGC) announced today that it has concluded an expanded human growth hormone agreement with its Canadian licensee, ABI Biotechnology Inc. The agreement provides for incremental funding of new clinicals to be conducted by BTG to test the potential of human growth hormone to prevent muscle and body mass atrophy.

ABI will provide $2-3 million in new funding to BTG over the next two years. BTG is planning to initiate four new human growth hormone clinical trials in 1991. Discussions with BTG's other human growth hormone partners for the joint development of these new indications are in progress.

"The non-stature-related potential indications of human growth hormone could certainly rival the already proven worldwide commercial success of human growth hormone in short stature usage. We intend for BTG and its corporate partners to play a leading role in the understanding and actualization of these expanded opportunities," stated Sim Fass, BTG's president and chief executive officer.

Bio-Technology General Corp. is engaged in research, development and manufacture of genetically engineered products for human and animal health care.

CONTACT: Leah Berkovits of Bio-Technology General, 212-239-0450; or Anita Dixon of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for Bio- Technology General.

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#90331p8433 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, NJ (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Liposome Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: LIPO) announced today the signing of an agreement licensing its TLC-LA19 Lupus Anticoagulant diagnostic test to Diagnostica Stago (Stago), of Paris. Commercial sales of the product, which will be an in vitro test for the presence of certain antibodies in plasma, could start in the first half of 1991.

In the agreement, The Liposome Company granted worldwide marketing rights for the product to Stago in return for royalties and a licensing fee. Final development and manufacturing of the product will be the responsibility of Stago, which plans to launch the product by June of next year.

Diagnostica Stago is a world leader in developing, selling and marketing in vitro testing products for the diagnosis of blood and clotting disorders. Stago distributes products in the U.S. through American Bioproducts Co. of Parsippany, N.J.

TLC-LA19 is a patented, in vitro diagnostic test, developed by The Liposome Company, to detect the presence of so-called lupus anticoagulants in several types of patients. Lupus anticoagulants are a class of autoimmune antibodies which are associated with a variety of blood clotting disorders, obstetrical abnormalities and cardiovascular conditions. The name "lupus anticoagulant" is an historical artifact, and presence of this antibody is not diagnostic of lupus. Identification of the presence of these antibodies is important in obstetrical patients with a history of spontaneous abortions and in pre-surgical patients suspected of having blood clotting abnormalities. However, no simple, reliable test is available for making this diagnosis. In fact, no currently marketed test can specifically identify lupus anticoagulants.

TLC-LA19 grew out of basic research conducted at the Liposome Company and McGill University. Andrew Janoff, Ph.D. executive director- research for the Liposome Company and Joyce Rauch, Ph.D., associate professor, Microbiology and Immunology at McGill University, discovered that a unique phospholipid structure, known as the hexagonal phase, could be used to specifically detect lupus anticoagulants in patient plasma, making their identification both simple and direct.

The largest company dedicated exclusively to the development of liposome-based pharmaceuticals, The Liposome Company is primarily focused on developing advanced liposomal drugs for the treatment of cancer and serious infectious diseases.

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#90331p8439 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - USG Corp. (NYSE: USG) today announced that its board of directors has elected Michael P. Kane vice president, regulatory affairs and chief labor counsel effective Jan. 1, 1991.

He will have overall responsibility for labor, environmental, governmental, and regulatory affairs as well as corporate product safety and quality assurance programs.

The 39-year-old Kane is an 18-year veteran of USG, where he began his career as an hourly employee at United States Gypsum Co.'s Stony Point, N.Y., plant. He worked his way up through the ranks of U.S. Gypsum Co., holding various line positions at Stony Point and later at Clark, N.J.

In 1978 he transferred to Chicago as labor relations analyst and has held positions of increasing responsibility including his most recent appointment in 1988 as director, regulatory affairs and chief labor counsel.

Kane's memberships include the Chicago, Illinois, and American Bar Associations. He is president of the Council on Labor Law Equity and represents the corporation on issues for various trade and professional associations.

CONTACT: USG public relations department, (312) 606-4124.

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#90331p8447 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Cooper Companies, Inc. (NYSE: COO) announced today that it has signed an exclusive worldwide licensing agreement with noted researcher Mark Abelson, M.D., to develop and market Class I calcium channel blocker compounds for use in treating glaucoma.

The agreement, Cooper's fifth healthcare transaction of 1990, expands the company's presence in the ophthalmic pharmaceutical sector of the healthcare industry.

Cooper co-chairmen Gary A. Singer and Bruce D. Sturman, in a jointly issued statement, said, "This agreement is one more important building block in the orderly development and expansion of our Healthcare Group.

"We believe our strategic plan of acquiring and developing specialty niches within the healthcare sector and exploiting our competitive advantages in other business sectors will strengthen the company and produce long-term shareholder values."

Richard W. Turner, chief executive officer of the company's Healthcare Group, added "More than 2.5 million Americans already suffer from glaucoma and, as our population ages, those numbers increase dramatically each year. All the indications are that calcium channel blockers can provide significant benefits to this rapidly growing group of patients."

Turner noted that the worldwide market for glaucoma treatments is estimated to be over $600 million this year alone and stated, "Our goal is to capture a significant portion of that business, pending completion of clinical trials and FDA approvals."

Turner added that the development of these Class 1 calcium channel blockers, one of which (Verapamil) is already FDA-approved and is currently used by cardiologists for the management of essential hypertension, arrhythmias, and angina, would be managed by Cooper's newly formed pharmaceutical unit.

The Cooper Companies, Inc. develops, manufactures and markets optometric and ophthalmic products, pharmaceuticals as well as specialized surgical equipment worldwide.

CONTACT: Marisa Heine of D. F. King & Co., (212) 269-5550, for Cooper.

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#90331p8451 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWOOD, MA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Microcom, Inc. (NASDAQ: MNPI), an internetworking vendor, and Radio Free Europe/ Radio Liberty (RFE/RL) today announced that RFE has standardized on Microcom LAN Bridges(tm) (MLB)(tm) as part of their move to expand and enhance broadcasting services.

"The liberalization of Europe has provided us with unprecedented opportunities. The Microcom LAN Bridge is enabling us to capitalize on them in a responsive, cost-effective manner," stated Robert Short, director of Corporate Information Services for Radio Free Europe/ Radio Liberty.

RFE/RL operates under American management and broadcasts news and information in 23 languages to the countries of Eastern Europe, the Baltic States, the Soviet Union and Afghanistan. The opening of Eastern Europe has allowed RFE/RL to establish news bureaus within countries that until recently were jamming RFE news broadcasts.

"On-site bureaus enable us to directly observe and report on the exciting change process within those countries," notes Short.

RFE is currently relying on Microcom LAN bridges to provide users at sites in Munich, Germany, Washington, D.C., and the New York Programming Center in Manhattan, with access to E-mail, administrative, word-processing, telemetry,

analysis and on-line storage services. RFE/RL computer centers at headquarters in Munich and in Washington, D.C., support approximately 1,200 local and remote users on VAX clusters.

Microcom's International LAN Bridge Product Manager, Margaret Kelliher, stated "Microcom has been marketing its internetworking products internationally for two years. We're pleased our technology is assisting Radio Free Europe in providing important information to Eastern bloc countries."

Compression and filtering capacities were key reasons for RFE's selection of the Microcom LAN Bridge. With Microcom's 2:1 compression over X.25 links, information is transmitted at speeds of up to 128 Kbps on a 64 Kbps link. "The high cost of international and transatlantic dedicated connections requires the use of sophisticated networking devices, such as the Microcom LAN Bridge. Its ability to compress, filter and direct data, combined with a simplicity of management, make it an excellent solution," explained Robert De Toro, director of Network Services.

The MLB is a family of bridges including the following products: the MLB/6000(tm) series for private line connections; the MLB/5000(tm) series for dial-up links, and more recently the MLB/6500(tm) for X.25 links and MLB/5500(tm) for ISDN connections. The family supports Ethernet-to-Ethernet and Token Ring-to-Token Ring connections.

A recognized leader in creating and defining new connectivity markets, Microcom was the first vendor to market a remote Token Ring transparent bridge and the first to enhance bridge performance with data compression. Microcom recently announced 4:1 compression on its private line and dial-up bridge series.

Microcom is a PC and workstation connectivity company headquartered in Norwood Mass.; with offices in Danbury, Conn.; Wilmington, Del.; Durham, N.C.; Caguas Puerto Rico; and international offices in France, Hong Kong, and the United Kingdom. Principal product lines include Protocol Modems; LAN bridging products; Carbon Copy Plus(tm), RELAY Gold(R), Virex(R) and Microcom 911 Utilities(tm) software packages; and ISDN products.

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#90331p8453 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Wisconsin and United Airlines have signed a new United Express contract.

William J. Andres, Air Wisconsin president and chief executive officer, and John C. Pope, United executive vice president-marketing and finance, jointly announced a new five-year agreement between the two carriers superseding the

current contract which expires June 6, 1991. The new agreement was effective on Nov. 1, 1990.

In announcing the new agreement, both Andres and Pope emphasized that the terms of the new United Express agreement will set the tone for continuing a mutually beneficial business arrangement.

"After being in the program for over four years, both Air Wisconsin and United have learned from the experience," stated Andres. "We have maintained those elements of the program that are working well and have modified other aspects of the program."

"The new five-year United Express agreement between United and Air Wisconsin represents a commitment to a long-term relationship that has proven to be mutually beneficial to both companies and, most importantly, to our customers " said Pope.

"The United and Air Wisconsin marketing arrangement permits United Express customers to share in the benefits of competitive joint fares, coordinated schedules, convenient connections and superior service."

Air Wisconsin was the first regional carrier to enter into an agreement with United Airlines to provide United Express service. Both carriers exchange passenger and cargo traffic at the major connecting hub airports of Chicago O'Hare International and Washington Dulles International Airport and also at Denver with Air Wisconsin's subsidiary, Aspen Airways.

CONTACT: Jack Mason of Air Wisconsin, (414) 749-4212, or Sara Dornacker of United Airlines, (708) 952-6561.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways (NYSE: PN) is offering a one-way fare of $149 to London this winter, based on a roundtrip purchase.

The fare to London is valid from New York, with slightly higher fares in effect from Pan Am's other U.S. gateways. Pan Am is also offering sale fares to most of its other 33 European destinations, including a roundtrip fare of $378 from New York to both Paris and Frankfurt, $448 roundtrip to Vienna and $548 roundtrip to Rome.

"The softening of traffic demand expected during the first quarter of 1991 due to weakening economic conditions has prompted us to offer winter sale fares to Europe," said John Bloodworth, vice president - advertising and marketing programs at Pan Am. "We are confident that the fares will stimulate traffic during the traditionally slow winter travel period," he added.

Passengers must purchase tickets by Dec. 7, 1990, and travel between Jan. 7 and March 21, 1991, with all travel commencing by March 14. The fares are non-refundable and represent a limited number of seats.

In ddition, Kemwel is offering Pan Am passengers the use of a complimentary car for three days in both London and Germany, and a reduced rate at many of Pan Am's other European destination.

Pan Am is also offering discounts on hotel rooms through Pan Am Holidays' Affordable Hotels program. Prices start at $29 per person based on double occupancy and are available in 29 European cities.

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#90331p8462 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Meridian Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: KITS) today reported for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 that record net sales were $8,478,000 as compared to $6,213,000 during fiscal 1989, an increase of $2,265,000 or 36 percent. Net earnings for fiscal 1990 were $685,000 ($.14 per share) versus $317,000 ($.07 per share) for fiscal 1989, an increase of $368,000 or 116 percent.

Net sales and net earnings for the fourth fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $2,584,000 and $295,000 ($.06 per share), respectively, as compared to net sales of $1,659,000 and $88,000 ($.02 per share) during the same period of the prior fiscal year. These results represent an increase for the fourth fiscal quarter in sales of $925,000 or 56 percent and in earnings of $207,000 or 235 percent over the prior periods.

Jerry L. Ruyan, president and chief operating officer, said, "Fourth quarter and fiscal 1990 sales and profits were positively impacted by the product lines acquired in January and the market's favorable acceptance of new products introduced during the second half of the fiscal year."

William J. Motto, chairman of the board, said, "The strong increase of fiscal 1990 sales and earnings together with the new cash dividend policy represent our continued commitment to enhance shareholder value."

Cash Dividends In recognition of the company's improved operating results, strong cash flow and financial condition, and outlook for fiscal 1991 and beyond, the board of directors adopted a cash dividend policy consisting of regular, quarterly and special year-end dividends. The board has set a targeted payout ratio of 45 percent to 55 percent of annual net income. Approximately 30 percent to 35 percent of forecasted net income for each fiscal year would be paid in regular quarterly dividends with a balance to be

paid as a year-end special dividend after actual operating results are known. The actual declaration of cash dividends will, of course, be subjected to the judgement of the board after considering all relevant factors.

The board of directors declared a $.06 per share special year-end dividend for fiscal 1990. The dividend is payable Dec. 20, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 5, 1990 and represents 43 percent of the company's net income for fiscal 1990. The board also established a regular quarterly cash dividend for fiscal 1991 at the rate of $.02 per share. The first regular quarterly dividend will be paid during the first calendar quarter of 1991.

MERIDIAN DIAGNOSTICS, INC.

FOURTH QUARTER AND YEAR-END RESULTS The following table sets forth the comparative operating results of Meridian Diagnostics, Inc. for the three months and year ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989.

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$2,584,000	$1,659,000
Gross profit	1,672,000	1,016,000
Operating income	412,000	33,000
Earnings before income taxes	481,000	125,000
Net earnings	295,000	88,000
Earnings per common share	$.06	$.02
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,800,000	4,800,000
	Year Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$8,478,000	$6,213,000
Gross profit	5,011,000	3,622,000
Operating income	817,000	132,000
Earnings before income taxes	1,076,000	465,000
Net earnings	685,000	317,000
Earnings per common share	$.14	$.07
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,800,000	4,800,000

Meridian Diagnostics, Inc. develops, manufactures and markets a variety of immunodiagnostic test kits, reagents and related products for use in physicians' offices and in hospital, commercial and research laboratories. The company pioneered one of the most successful rapid strep tests on the market, is a leader in parasite and bacterial collection, preservation and transportation systems, and has a leading market position in fungal serology testing in clinical laboratories. The company's shares are traded through NASDAQ/NMS (Symbol: KITS).

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Facelifters Home Systems, Inc. (OTC) today announced that net sales for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990 increased approximately $1,611,655 or 62 percent to $4,194,156 from sales of $2,582,501 in the corresponding period of the prior year. For the company's second quarter, ended Sept. 30, 1990, sales increased 66 percent to $2,032,403 from $1,224,425 in the comparable period in the prior year. Sales through the company's installed sales division, selling directly to homeowners in the New York Metropolitan market, accounted for substantially all of the increase. Six months net income increased 160 percent to $132,340, or $.02 per share, from $50,994, or $.01 per share, recorded for the prior year six months ended Sept. 30, 1989. The net income figure for the prior year six months ended Sept. 30, 1989, included $100,416 or $.01 per share, arising from income derived out of discontinued operations during the phase out period of two non-operating subsidiaries.

The company is engaged, through direct consumer marketing, in the manufacturing, sale and installation of kitchen cabinet refacing, custom counter-tops, add-on cabinets and hardware. Until 1988 the company sold its products primarily through dealers and contractors. In 1988 the company entered into the sale of its products directly to homeowners in addition to dealers and contractors.

CONTACT: Mark Honigsfeld or Murray Gross of Facelifters Home Systems, 718-257-9700

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#90331p8472 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

GARDEN CITY, N.Y. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Vader Group Inc. (AMEX: VDR) has entered into discussions with Ozite Corp. (OTC) in reference to Ozite's offer to acquire Vader. The proposed transaction would involve an exchange of existing Vader shares for newly issued Ozite shares. The exchange ratio is still under negotiation and subject to review and recommendation of investment advisors.

Vader has terminated negotiations with Prior Management Inc. regarding a previously announced business combination, since the parties could not agree on the terms of the proposed transaction.

Ozite, which recently completed the acquisition of privately owned Sage Group Inc., manufactures non-woven fabric products for the automotive, industrial and commercial markets. The acquired Sage Group manufactures specialty plastic compounds, fabricated precision plastic compounds, plastic additives and garden hose which are sold to diverse consumer, commercial and industrial specialty markets. It is a leading manufacturer of garden hose for the retail

lawn and garden markets, and through its Action Technology division, is the leading manufacturer and marketer of extruded precision plastic components for writing instruments, aerosol dispensers and corrugated hose products.

Ozite's pro forma sales for its last fiscal year ended July 31, 1990, which include Sage Group Inc., are in excess of $160 million.

Vader will engage an investment bank to act as its advisor and provide a fairness opinion regarding the proposed transaction.

The approval of the board of directors and shareholders of Vader, plus required government regulatory authorities is required prior to completing the transaction.

Vader anticipates, if current negotiations are agreed to, that it may take up to 180 days to complete the transaction.

CONTACT: Alfred Ziegler, vice president of the Vader Group, 516-745-0814

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#90331p8475 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TEXAS (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. James A. Turman, president of Austin-based Chaparral Mining Corp. (NASDAQ: CHRL), today announced the commencement of stockpiling of approximately 12,000 to 15,000 tons of the company's chemical-grade barite which will be sold on contract in the upcoming year. Chemical grade barite, depending on its end use and degree of processing, has a price range from a low end of $120 per ton to a high end of $480 per ton; low end prices are for lump, unprocessed barite and high end prices are for ground and processed barite. The company is now entering into final phase negotiations with several end users for its barite and anticipates the completion of negotiations after the first of the year.

In addition, Dr. Turman announced the addition of Thomas M. Keel to Chaparral's board of directors. Keel served as director of the Texas Legislative Board (LBB) from 1967 to 1982. The LBB prepares and recommends a biennial budget for operations of the Texas State Government. Keel also served as executive director of finance and administration for the University of Texas System. Currently, he is serving as a lecturer at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs. Dr. Turman stated, "Marked by integrity, Tom Keel is a man of extraordinary abilities and I am very pleased to have him join us as a director of Chaparral."

CONTACT: Dr. James A. Turman of Chaparral Mining Corp., 800-999-8053; or the Financial Relations Group Inc., 303-721-7800

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#90331p8477 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
WESTBORO, MASS. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Data General Corporation (NYSE: DGN) said today that it has received the initial order from the U.S. Geological Survey, Department of Interior, as part of the Distributed Information Systems (DIS-II) contract, and has begun shipping its AViiON family systems.

The DIS-II contract, which has a procurement value of $127 million was reinstated to Data General last month by the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in Washington. The court overturned an earlier ruling by the General Services Board of Contract Appeals that supported a protest by a losing bidder. Data General had originally been awarded the contract last December.

"We are pleased that we finally will be able to work with the Geological Survey (USGS) to develop its new computer network and to work closely with that agency in its efforts to improve understanding of and management of the nation's critical water resources," said Data General President Ronald L. Skates.

"While it has taken a while to reach this point, we feel that today's announcement demonstrates that the Federal procurement process truly works."

Under terms of the DIS-II contract Data General will supply more than 6,000 AViiON family workstations and servers to be used in a nationwide computer network by the Geological Survey.

Data General's AViiON systems will handle a variety of hydrologic applications for the USGS' Water Resources Division, in addition to being used for office automation and electronic report preparation applications.

The Water Resources Division is headquartered in Reston, Va., and has offices in all 50 states plus Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Data General will be responsible for all the hardware, software, training, documentation, systems engineering, support and service over the life of the contract.

Data General Corporation, based in Westboro, Mass., is a leading supplier of general purpose computer and communications systems worldwide. In fiscal 1990 the company reported revenues of $1.22 billion.

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#90331p8479 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
MALVERN, PA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Systems & Computer Technology Corp. (SCT) (NASDAQ: SCTC) today announced a new product that provides English language query capability for the Company's BANNER Series of applications software

products for higher education and local government.

The product, called IntelliQuest(TM), is a natural language query system that allows executives and other system users to query their BANNER database in plain English. Using reasoning-based technology from Natural Language Inc., IntelliQuest allows complex database inquiries to be initiated with English commands that require no technical knowledge. The product can also understand grammatical nuances, interpret misspelled words, and "learn" from previous questions.

For example, the dean of a college with the BANNER Student System could type in, "Compare the total enrollment figures for the fall of 1989 and the fall of 1990." IntelliQuest would automatically generate the SQL code needed to query the BANNER database, initiate the query, and give the answer -- in English -- within moments. It could also provide a graph of the answer.

IntelliQuest works with all five systems in SCT's BANNER product line: Student; Finance; Financial Aid; Alumni/Development; and Human Resources.

SCT is a leading provider of administrative software and computing management services for higher education institutions and local government jurisdictions nationwide. The company is headquartered in Malvern, Pa., a suburb of Philadelphia.

Note: BANNER and IntelliQuest are trademarks of Systems & Computer Technology Corp.

CONTACT: Eric Haskell, senior vice president of SCT, 215-640-5175

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#90331p8481 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - SAP America, Inc., a subsidiary of SAP AG, one of Europe's leading software developers, today announced it has signed an agreement with Deloitte & Touche to provide and support information solutions based on SAP's R/2 System. The R/2 System is an online, realtime software system that handles a full range of business applications.

Under the agreement, the companies will collaborate on R/2 System implementation and integration projects to ensure full information management across regional and international boundaries. In addition to systems integration, Deloitte & Touche will offer its management consulting services to help customers maximize their information technology strategies.

"We are delighted to be working with Deloitte & Touche," said James Bensman, president of SAP America, Inc. "By teaming SAP's dedicated project managers with Deloitte & Touche's integration and implementation experts, we can provide our customers with the highest levels of service and support."

Deloitte & Touche, the nation's third largest professional services firm, provides accounting and auditing, tax and management consulting services. With 20,000 people in more than 100 offices, the firm reported 1990 revenues of almost $2 billion. It is the leading member firm of DRT International. Its management consulting practice in the U.S. has more than 2,000 partners and staff.

SAP America, Inc., headquartered in suburban Philadelphia, markets and supports the R/2 System, a fully-integrated mainframe application software system designed to manage the information needs of large, multinational businesses. The R/2 System is comprised of ten integrated modules covering the full range of business applications, from inventory control and production planning to cost accounting and order processing. SAP America is a subsidiary of SAP AG, one of Europe's leading software developers with more than 1,300 customers worldwide.

CONTACT: Bonnie Ravina of SAP America, Inc., 215-595-4540; or William Atkins of Deloitte & Touche, 203-761-3361; or Susan Curtin or Heather Premru, both of Miller Communications, 617-536-0470, for SAP America, Inc.

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#90331p8482 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

EL SEGUNDO, CALIF. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Reflecting continued strong momentum in its Electronics Marketing Group, Wyle Laboratories (NYSE: WYL) registered sharply higher profits in the third quarter on record sales, Charles M. Clough, president and chief executive officer, announced today. The three months ended Oct. 31, 1990, marked the sixth consecutive quarter in which earnings have risen over the preceding quarter.

Clough commented: "Our consistent earnings growth is being driven by higher sales and productivity gains at the Electronics Marketing Group. The group's strategic investments in value-added services, along with its expansion into the New England market, have contributed to our increased profits and should continue to benefit future results."

Net income for the quarter rose 54 percent to $3,357,000, equal to 34 cents per share, from $2,178,000, or 22 cents per share, one year ago. Third quarter sales improved 8 percent to $114.0 million from $105.8 million in the prior year.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1991, net income nearly doubled to a record $9,447,000, equal to 95 cents per share, from $4,759,000, or 47 cents per share, in the previous year's period. Sales for the three quarters totaled $336.0 million, up 9 percent from $309.5 million last year.

Clough said: "The Electronics Marketing Group recorded outstanding results in

the third quarter. Income surged 54 percent over the prior year to $6,150,000 on a 14 percent improvement in sales to a record $92.4 million. Sales and profits also surpassed second quarter levels, counter to industry trends.

"Despite a sluggish market environment, the group achieved gains in market share both in key semiconductor lines and in computer systems products. This progress results directly from Wyle's successful strategy of concentrating on higher complexity products and related value-added services, together with a strong focus on customer service.

Wyle Laboratories is one of the nation's leading marketers of high-technology electronic components and computer systems. The company is also a major supplier of research, engineering and testing services to the aerospace, defense and energy industries.

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DEARBORN, MICH. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) today reported the following sales figures:

	1990	1989	Pct. Change	Memo: Selling Days 1990	1989
Total Vehicles					
Nov. 11-20	89,532	77,621	+15.3	8	8
Nov. 1-20	170,463	155,382	+ 9.7	17	17
Jan. 1-Nov. 20	3,074,658	3,314,490	- 7.6	274	273
Total Cars Nov. 11-20	51,023	43,780	+16.5		
Nov. 1-20	99,521	88,974	+11.8		
Jan. 1-Nov. 20	1,778,554	1,998,002	-11.3	Imported Cars	
Nov. 11-20	1,659	1,817	- 8.8		
Nov. 1-20	3,051	3,203	- 4.8		
Jan. 1-Nov. 20	58,560	71,554	-18.3	Total Trucks	
Nov. 11-20	38,509	33,841	+13.8		
Nov. 1-20	70,942	66,408	+ 6.8		
Jan. 1-Nov. 20	1,296,104	1,316,488	- 1.9	Light Trucks	
Nov. 11-20	37,648	32,863	+14.6		
Nov. 1-20	69,111	64,100	+ 7.8		
Jan. 1-Nov. 20	1,254,687	1,264,690	- 1.2		

Note: Percentage changes are based on daily selling rates. CONTACT: Joel Pitcoff, 313-337-3753, or June Larsen, 313-337-3755, both of Ford

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DETROIT (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are unit sales for the ten-day period, Nov. 11-20, for Lincoln-Mercury Division:

	Current	Year-ago
Grand Marquis	2,302	2,189
Cougar	1,548	1,836
Sable	2,329	2,164
Topaz	1,183	1,613
Tracer	1,640	873
Capri	548	---
Lincoln Town Car	3,812	3,618
Mark VII	291	397
Continental	1,990	1,854
XR4Ti	---	28
Scorpio	---	430
TOTAL	15,643	15,002

CONTACT: Edda LaFramboise of Lincoln-Mercury Division, (313) 446-4368.

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#90331p8489 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST NEW YORK, NJ (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Allan Ginsburg, chairman of the board of Jaclyn, Inc. (AMEX: JLN) announced today that the board of directors of Jaclyn, Inc. declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of $.12-1/2 per share.

The dividend is payable on February 15, 1991 to stockholders of record on January 15, 1991. This is the company's eighty-ninth consecutive quarterly cash dividend.

Jaclyn, Inc. is a leading designer, manufacturer, and marketer of ladies' handbags and other related products.

-0- 11/27/90 /CONTACT: Walter Gailing of Jaclyn, 201-868-9400/ (JLN) CO: Jaclyn, Inc. ST: New Jersey IN: REA SU: DIV

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#90331p8491 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

READING, PA. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Meridian Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: MRDN) today announced that its board of directors declared the company's regular quarterly cash dividend of 30 cents per share on Meridian common stock.

The dividend is payable on Jan. 1, 1991, to common stock shareholders of record on Dec. 15, 1990.

Meridian Bancorp Inc., an $11.7 billion multi-bank holding company, is based in Reading. Meridian, through banking and non-banking subsidiaries, operates nationally with its banking focus in 19 Pennsylvania counties and the state of Delaware. The company's banking subsidiaries are Meridian Bank, the First National Bank of Pike County and Delaware Trust Co.

CONTACT: Art George of Meridian Bancorp, 215-320-2462

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#90331p8495 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Joan Dial Ruffier, Orlando business leader and former chairman of the Board of Regents of the Florida State University System, has been elected to the board of directors of Florida Progress Corporation (NYSE: FPC).

"We are very pleased to have Joan joining our board," said Jack B. Critchfield president and CEO. "She brings a very broad understanding of business and the state of Florida. Her experience in both the public and private sectors will be of great value to our company going forward."

A native Floridian, Ruffier is a certified public accountant and has major interest in concession businesses at both the Orlando and Jacksonville airports. She serves on the board of the Jacksonville Branch, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta.

She has been active in many Florida community boards including serving as chairman of the trustees of Winter Park Memorial Hospital; executive committees and boards of the Economic Development Commission of Mid-Florida, the University of Florida Foundation and the University of Central Florida Foundation. Ruffier assumes her new post on the board Dec. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: William C. Johnson of Florida Progress Corporation, (813) 894-7957.

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#90331p8505 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

THOROFARE, N.J. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - According to a study conducted for Checkpoint Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: CHEK), the nation's leading provider of disposable target electronic article merchandising systems, 83 percent of U.S. consumers agree that shoplifting has become a significant problem and 78 percent believe retail prices are higher because of shoplifting.

The study, conducted for Checkpoint by Management Horizons, a division of Price Waterhouse, assessed the impact of retail security systems on consumer attitudes and shopping behavior. Consumers were surveyed by mail and in focus groups. According to Sharyn Brooks, vice president of Management Horizons, more than 85 percent of the shoppers surveyed feel that retailers should make

an effort to control shoplifting.

"In terms of shopping behavior, less than 1 percent of consumers have ever avoided a store that has security sensor like those manufactured by Checkpoint " said Brooks. Gerald Klein, Checkpoint's president and chief operating officer, equated Checkpoint's security systems with airport security systems. "Travellers today take security systems for granted, and most are comforted by their presence. The same can be said for retail security systems. They have become a fact of life and can provide benefits to both the retailer and the consumer."

Consumers feel, however, that some types of security methods can make shopping more difficult and can be unattractive if not properly implemented. While 71 percent of consumers surveyed feel that hard tags attached to clothing are the most effective means for reducing shoplifting, they also express a negative attitude towards them.

For example, 41 percent feel that hard tags attached to clothing make it more difficult to determine how an item fits, and 60 percent are concerned that hard tags can damage clothing.

Checkpoint recognized these concerns more than 10 years ago and developed a disposable security target. These targets can now be disguised as price or promotional tickets. Taking this concept one step further, Checkpoint is working with major manufacturers and retailers to implement Impulse(TM), a plan to embed its security targets in products or product packaging at the point of manufacture.

"Impulse has been designed to protect those high-margin, high-volume products which also have high shrink levels," said Klein. "With built- in security, products can be put on open display, making it easier for consumers to access and purchase those items previously kept under lock and key."

The majority of consumers value such self-service merchandising for small convenience items. As many as 81 percent of the consumers surveyed prefer self-service shopping for items like batteries, razors, pre-recorded audio and video cassettes and CDs, and fragrances.

According to the study, time-pressed consumers do not appreciate having to wait for sales help to buy these items. They will often walk away from a sale if the wait is too long.

The study said that most shoppers believe the advantages of Checkpoint's methods far outweigh the disadvantages. Quick, easy access to the merchandise and a more efficient shopping experience are more important than the concerns about these types of security systems, the study concluded.

Checkpoint is offering retailers a free copy of the retail security study

which can be obtained by writing: Glenda Laudisio, Communications Manager, Checkpoint Systems Inc., 550 Grove Road, Thorofare, N.J., 08086, or by calling 609-848-1800, ext. 211.

CONTACT: Glenda Laudisio of Checkpoint Systems, 609-848-1800, ext. 211

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#90331p8515 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBOROUGH, MASS (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - New England Electric System (NYSE: NES) (NEES) directors today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 51 cents per common share, payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: Linwood B. Stockwell of New England Electric System, 508-366-9011 (days); 508-366-8794 (evenings)

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#90331p8519 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - To succeed in today's cost conscious business environment, the office products supplier needs more than a good product. It requires creative, new ways of doing business and applying products to meet the needs of specific situations.

"Savin understands today's needs better than most copier marketers," said Brian Merriman, president, Savin Corporation (NYSE: SVB). "To meet those needs you have to offer creative pricing packages, dedicated support and the ability to take the burden of managing systems off the customer's shoulders."

An example of Savin's willingness to assess and address customer needs can be seen in its recent winning of a major contract from CIGNA Corporation. Initially, CIGNA will utilize 105 copiers, most of them the new 9710 model, and 140 model 630 fax machines. The five-year program, being phased in over the next eight months, marks the first time that both faxes and copiers are being offered on a cost-per-copy basis.

"Most fax machines are sold outright or rented for a flat amount," Merriman explains. "Companies have to deal with two separate and totally different accounting methods. Copiers are billed according to copies made, and faxes according to phone time.

Now, for the first time, copiers and faxes are accounted for according to units. This not only eases billing procedures, but provides an efficient, simplified method for monitoring machine usage by cost centers or departments."

Key to the CIGNA decision was the fully-featured 9710 copier, Savin's first entry into Segment 5, producing 71 copies per minute. "CIGNA wanted a

user-friendly walk-up copier without compromising speed. The 9710 gives the company the benefit of user friendliness and options with the speed of a copy-center machine." Savin is providing complete service - right down to loading paper into the copiers - through its on-site representatives.

"The comprehensive major account program was the key to receiving the vote of confidence form CIGNA management," Merriman says. "It is an example of how we assess specific needs and come up with creative solutions tailored to the customer."

CONTACT: Steve Hoechster or Grace Szwagulinski of Geltzer & Company, (212) 575-1976, for Savin.

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#90331p8530 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - American Honda today reported its second ten-day sales for November 1990.

HONDA DIVISION

	1990	1989
Domestic (2nd 10 Day)	11,267	10,714
Civic	3,970	5,228
Accord	7,297	5,486
Domestic (20 Day)	20,876	18,145
Civic	7,186	9,014
Accord	13,690	9,131
Domestic (Year-to-Date)	422,614	342,230
Civic	171,256	155,166
Accord	251,358	187,064

CONTACT: Kurt Antonius of American Honda, (213) 604-2584.

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#90331p8531 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Corroon & Black Corporation announced today the appointment of Richard Q. Ford to the position of managing director of the National Benefits Division of its Brokerage Services Group.

The National Benefits Division, headquartered in Seattle, Wash. serves as a resource for all Corroon & Black offices. The division coordinates the goals for the benefit components of the Brokerage Services Group's plan for the 1990s. It will also be developing and marketing innovative employee benefit products and services.

Ford's promotion was announced by James V. Davis, Ph.D., chairman of the National Resource Division of the Corporation's Brokerage Services Group.

"Rich Ford is a nationally-recognized expert in the employee benefits field, and his expertise will add considerable value to the products, services, and operations of the National Benefits Division."

Ford has been with Corroon & Black for more than 10 years, and most recently served as vice president of the National Benefits Division and as director of the National Employee Benefits Resource Unit. He has also served as senior vice president and manager of employee benefits for Corroon & Black, Inc., in Seattle. He has a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Washington and has completed graduate studies at Seattle University.

Corroon & Black Corporation, now an operating division of Willis Corroon plc, is headquartered in New York City. Corroon & Black is one of the world's largest full-service insurance intermediaries, providing insurance brokerage, risk management services, reinsurance brokerage, and employee benefits, compensation, and actuarial consulting to individuals, local governments, professions, business and industry. It has offices across the United States and affiliated offices throughout the world. Willis Corroon (ADRs traded on NYSE & PSE: WCG) traces its origins to 1828, with the establishment in London of Henry Willis & Company. Its Corroon & Black division was founded in 1905 in New York City.

CONTACT: C. Jackson Blair, first vice president of Corroon & Black, 212-363-4100, or Maripat Sexton of Hill and Knowlton, 212-697- 5600, for Corroon & Black

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#90331p8532 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Selfix(R), Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SLFX) today reported that it has purchased the assets of the hardware division of Homecraft of Orangeburg, N.Y., a division of Dynacast, Inc.

Homecraft markets a broad line of products for home organization, including decorative hooks, picture hangers, fasteners, swag and planter hooks, tacks and security hardware. Homecraft markets these products through distribution channels similar to Selfix.

Robert Mariani, president of Selfix, stated, "The acquisition of Homecraft significantly expands our market position in a core category. Selfix has experienced continued growth in its plastic hook and organizer line for several years. Now with the addition of the Homecraft product line, we offer the broadest, most complete line of hooks and organizational hanging hardware in the industry.

Selfix, Inc., based in Chicago, designs manufactures and markets a wide range of consumer home products, including more than 700 home organization products and a line of plastic exterior shutters.

For further information, contact Robert Mariani, president, Selfix, Inc., 4501 West 47th St., Chicago, Ill, 60632, 312-890-1010.

CONTACT: Judi Main of Judi Main & Associates, 312-871-3212, for Selfix

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#90331p8534 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc. today announced combined domestic Corolla and Camry sales of 9,025 (3,866 Corollas and 5,159 Camrys) for the second ten days of November, compared to last year's figure of 5,882 (2,373 Corollas and 3,509 Camrys).

Toyota's calendar year-to-date domestic sales total 312,334 vs. 179,493 sold a year ago.

CONTACT: Mindy Geller, (213) 618-5204 or Christi Abe, (213) 618-5297, both of Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc.

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#90331p8535 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPRING VALLEY, NY (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Par Pharmaceutical, Inc. (NYSE: PRX) today reported financial results for its fiscal year ended Sept. 29, 1990.

Sales for the year were $48,953,000, down 52 percent from the sales of $102,578,000 reported for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1989. The company incurred a net loss for the year of $14,753,000, or $1.31 per share, as compared with net income of $4,054,000, or 36 cents per share, for the prior fiscal year. For the fourth quarter, sales were $7,005,000, down 59 percent from sales of $16,928,000 in the fourth quarter of the 1989 fiscal year, while the net loss for the quarter amounted to $3,913,000 (34 cents per share) as compared with net income of $311,000 (3 cents per share) a year earlier.

Results for the year were adversely impacted by provisions for inventory write-offs, recall costs, and other items related to the company's previously disclosed regulatory difficulties, which aggregated $11,503,000 for the 1990 fiscal year, as compared with $6,557,000 in the 1989 fiscal year.

Kenneth I. Sawyer, Par's president, said, "Even though we are reporting these losses for the quarter and for the year, we are very pleased with the progress that we have made to date in turning the company around. We have already achieved our initial goal of restoring Par's oral solid product line to profitability, and we look forward to the continued resurgence of that product line as we continue the rebuilding process with our injectable line."

Sawyer noted that the loss for the fourth quarter was wholly attributable to

losses and write-offs incurred by Par's wholly owned injectable manufacturing subsidiary, Quad Pharmaceuticals, Inc., which is in an early stage of the regulatory audit process. Sawyer went on to say that, while he expected the audit process at Quad to continue for several more months, he is confident that the company has sufficient resources to sustain itself through this period.

Sawyer also stated that he was happy to report that he expected the regulatory audit of Par's product line to conclude by the end of December, and noted that well over 95 percent of the products reviewed to date had been cleared for market reintroduction by Par's independent regulatory auditor.

CONTACT: Richard J. Nadler or Richard J. Strobel of Par Pharmaceutical, 914-425-7100

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#90331p8538 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Interhome Energy Inc. (NASDAQ: IHEI) announced today that Olympia & York Developments Limited has made a new proposal to the board of directors of Interhome specifying the terms of a spin-off of Interhome's wholly owned oil and gas subsidiary, Home Oil Company Limited, to Interhome shareholders on a pro rata basis.

This new proposal does not contemplate a merger of Home and Gulf Canada Resources Limited. As a result of the proposed spin-off, Interhome shareholders will be provided with direct ownership of Interhome's two existing businesses through two separate publicly traded companies -- Home, which will carry on the oil and gas business, and Interprovincial (as Interhome would be renamed), which will carry on the regulated pipeline business. The spin-off, expected to be implemented in the first quarter of 1991, is subject to the receipt of certain board, shareholder, regulatory and court approvals and a favorable advance income tax ruling. The board of directors of Interhome intends to consider the proposed spin-off expeditiously and will retain a financial adviser to assist the board in its consideration of the proposed spin-off.

The proposal includes a commitment by Olympia & York, subject to the approval of GW Utilities Limited, to pursue the sale of Interprovincial (the regulated pipeline business of Interhome). Minority shareholders of Interprovincial will be provided with a "coattail," for a period of two years following completion of the spin-off, which will require any arm's length third party purchaser of all or substantially all of the controlling interest in Interprovincial to make a concurrent offer to purchase the shares of all other Interprovincial shareholders on identical terms.

CONTACT: R.G. Watkins of Interhome Energy, 403-232-7882

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#90331p8539 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Prospects for the next few years are dim for Unisys Corporation, unless two critical events come together, says an analyst with Duff & Phelps Inc., the investment research and financial consulting firm headquartered here.

"I see two keys to the survival of Unisys," said David J. Schofield, a computer analyst who follows the company for Duff & Phelps Inc. "In the short term, dependence on the support of their bank revolver is crucial, with critical importance placed on the net worth covenant. Second, the completion of substantial asset sales is imperative to improve cash flow and reduce debt."

Over the next few years, revenue growth and margins are expected to be flat and cash flow will continue to be negative without substantial changes. Financial restructuring has become a priority.

"Unisys is in a bind," Schofield said. "They have only an estimated five percent of the mainframe market, and they are in a good position to encourage the move to 'open systems' or more standards-based products. However, they are struggling to protect their small base of proprietary customers while trying to move forward with the market and broaden its potential customer base."

The analyst feels that for Unisys to survive it must change its fundamentals of business, operations and finances. The potential growth is impeded by incompatible product lines inherited from parent companies, the maintenance of two research, design, and engineering staffs, and a fragmented customer base.

Duff & Phelps recently lowered the senior debt rating of Unisys to "BB" from "BBB-", lowered the preferred stock rating to "B-" from "BB", and withdrew the commercial paper rating.

CONTACT: David J. Schofield of Duff & Phelps, 312-630-4672

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#90331p8543 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
DETROIT (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - W.Y. Campbell & Company and Manufacturers National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MNTL) today announced an agreement which will result in Manufacturers acquiring a minority equity interest in the Detroit-based investment banking firm. Details of the agreement were not released. It is subject to regulatory approval.

The equity investment, believed to be the first of its kind in the Michigan financial services community, is seen as a significant step by both parties. W.Y. Campbell & Company, in a relatively short period of time, has become a leader in the regional investment banking business. As an investment banker,

the firm provides to both public and private companies assistance in the areas of divestiture, mergers and acquisition, private placements, valuations and fairness opinions.

"The agreement provides a foundation for W.Y. Campbell & Company to bring our corporate financial services to Manufacturers' extensive commercial customer base," said William Y. Campbell, managing director of W.Y. Campbell & Company. "We view our involvement with Manufacturers as a further step toward achieving a prominent position within the Midwest investment banking community " Mr. Campbell said. "Manufacturers' preeminent reputation in business banking makes them our perfect partner," he concluded.

"Manufacturers Bank is aligning itself with established professionals at W.Y. Campbell & Company so that we can broaden our array of high-quality corporate financial services," said Joseph J. Buttigieg III, executive vice president of Wholesale Administration at Manufacturers, in announcing the agreement. "With W.Y. Campbell & Company as an affiliate, we believe we offer a service necessary to meet the growing needs of our customers," Buttigieg added.

Manufacturers National Corporation is a bank holding company headquartered in Detroit. It operates four subsidiary banks in Michigan, including its principal bank subsidiary, Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit. The corporation operates Affiliated Bank in metropolitan Chicago, and other financial subsidiaries in Delaware, Florida and Illinois.

CONTACT: Michael T. Maurer of Manufacturers Bank, 313-222-4732

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#90331p8545 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S) and its wholly owned subsidiary, Sears Receivables Financing Group, Inc. (SRFG), announced that the subsidiary offered for sale $500 million of Sears Credit Account Trust 1990 E 8.80 percent credit account pass- through certificates through an underwriting syndicate to be managed by Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Salomon Brothers Inc. The securities have an expected final payment date of Dec. 15, 1994. The securities were priced at 99.43 percent of par plus accrued interest from Dec. 1, resulting in a yield of 8.87 percent.

Sears, through SRFG, has sold a portion of its credit card accounts receivable portfolio to a trust which issued the certificates.

The certificates represent undivided ownership interests in the trust. The certificates will be rated Aaa by Moody's, AAA by Standard & Poor's and AAA by Duff & Phelps.

A copy of the prospectus may be obtained from Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., 2

World Trade Center, New York, N.Y. 10048; Goldman, Sachs & Co., Prospectus Department, 85 Broad Street, New York, N.Y. 10004; or Salomon Brothers Inc, Prospectus Department, 140 58th Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11220.

CONTACT: Gerald E. Buldak of Sears, Roebuck & Co., 312-875-8371

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#90331p8548 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES MOINES, IA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - John E. Evans, chairman of the board and president, announced Allied Group's (NASDAQ: ALGR) board of directors met this morning and approved a regular $0.12 quarterly cash dividend payable Dec. 21, 1990 to holders of record on Dec. 10, 1990. This brings the total dividends paid in 1990 to $0.48 per share, a 9 percent increase over the $0.44 paid in 1989.

In other actions, the board established May 1, 1991 for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders. At that meeting, stockholders will vote on the election of directors, March 29, 1991 is the date of record for stockholders entitled to vote at that meeting.

CONTACT: Jim Shaffer of Allied Group, 515-280-4326

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#90331p8550 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARDMORE, OKLA. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Noble Affiliates Inc. (NYSE: NBL) today announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Samedan Oil Corp., has discovered additional oil and gas reserves on its West Cameron 290 property located offshore Louisiana.

The company drilled the OCS-G 4818 No.4 well to a total depth of 8,700 feet and logged 110 feet of gas/condensate pay in the "I" sand. The well tested 10.6 million cubic feet of gas and 77 barrels of condensate per day through a 27/64 inch choke with 2,574 pounds flowing tubing pressure. The well is located approximately 1,700 feet from the No.3 (A-1) well, which is the closest producing well on the property.

Samedan is operator of the well and owns a 25 percent working interest in the property. Other working interest owners include New England Energy Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of New England Electric System, 25 percent, and Walter Oil and Gas Corp. and its exploration program participants, 50 percent.

Noble Affiliates Inc. is an independent energy company with exploration and production operations throughout major basins in the United States, including the Gulf of Mexico and offshore California, as well as foreign operations primarily in Canada, Tunisia and Indonesia. Its common stock is listed on the NYSE under the symbol NBL.

CONTACT: William D. Dickson of Noble Affiliates, Inc., 405-223-4110

-30- 1543

#90331p8555 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN MATEO, CALIF. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Electronic Arts (NASDAQ:ERTS) announced today that Robert Cohn, chairman of the board and co-founder of Octel Communications Corp., has joined the company's board of directors.

"Bob is an innovative thinker who knows how to build a company into a market leader," said Trip Hawkins, president and CEO of Electronic Arts. "His operating experience will make him an outstanding contributor to our board of directors."

Octel Communications Corp. is an 8 year old voice processing technology company with revenues of $128 Million in its latest fiscal year which ended June 30, 1990. It is listed on the NASDAQ exchange.

Before founding Octel, Mr. Cohn, 41, was marketing manager for a division of Acurex Corp., worked for Banque Rothschild in Paris, France, and was a consultant for McKinsey & Co. He holds a B.S. in mathematics and computer science from the University of Florida and an M.B.A. from Stanford University.

Electronic Arts is a diversified entertainment software company that develops, publishes and distributes worldwide.

CONTACT: Bing Gordon of Electronic Arts, 415-571-7171 Ext. 248

-30- 1323

#90331p8557 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Klaus M. Zeitler, president and chief executive officer of Metall Mining Corporation announced today that the corporation's net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $9.3 million or $0.24 per share compared to $27.8 million or $0.74 per share in 1989. Earnings for the third quarter were $4.2 million or $0.11 per share compared to $6.5 million or $0.17 per share in the comparable period last year.

Sales were $128.9 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 as compared to sales, in 1989, of $75.7 million. For the third quarter, sales were $47.7 million, in 1990, compared to $34.4 million in 1989. The increase in sales reflects nine months of sales for the Copper Range Company compared to six months last year (as Copper Range was acquired effective April 1, 1989) and the acquisition in 1990 of mining operations in Germany and Thailand.

Copper Range produced 71.2 million pounds of equivalent copper cathode during the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Production improved in the third

quarter to 25.0 million pounds of copper compared to 23.3 million and 22.8 million pounds in the first and second quarters, respectively. The underground equipment modernization program has resulted in increases in production and significant productivity gains in the mining units which have been upgraded and ongoing improvements are anticipated. Operating costs remain high due to the increased underground development expenditures and repairs and maintenance costs. Copper Range contributed operating earnings of $7.5 million and $2.6 million, respectively, for the nine and three months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The OK Tedi project in Papua, New Guinea, in which Metall has a 7.5 percent interest, had a profit of $70.9 million in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $16.9 million in the comparable period in 1989. Metall's share, in 1990, was $3.1 million compared to $0.9 million in 1989. This improved performance was largely due to increased mill throughput. OK Tedi's production for the nine months was 338,000 ounces of gold and 272 million pounds of copper.

Metall's common shares were listed for trading on The Montreal Exchange on Nov. 9, 1990 under the symbol MLM.

CONTACT: H. Douglas Scharf, vice-president-finance and chief financial officer, or Richard Ross, controller of Metall Mining Corporation, 416-361-6400

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#90331p8562 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange today announced it would aggressively pursue the trading of unregistered foreign securities now trading as American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) over-the-counter market electronic bulletin board or "pink sheets."

The proposal to trade these unregistered ADRs of large foreign issuers will be submitted to the exchange's board of governors at its Dec. 13 meeting. It is expected that the board will consider a number of alternative trading vehicles including:

-- using existing floor facilities of the American Stock Exchange such as its order delivery systems and the market capability of its specialists;

-- using a variation of the System for Institutional Trading of Unregistered Securities (SITUS), an electronic network under development by the Amex and Reuters for the trading of private placement securities; or

-- using a new trading facility being planned in Hawaii by the Amex and the Economic Development Corporation of Honolulu (EDCH).

Any action of the exchange's board of governors would require approval of the

Securities and Exchange Commission.

Many of the world's largest corporations have shares of stock, represented by ADRs, trading in this country in the over-the-counter market. These corporations want exposure to U.S. investors but do not wish to adhere to certain accounting and disclosure requirements necessary for formal listing on a U.S. exchange.

"With the SEC-mandated establishment of the electronic bulletin board, the public now has full access to these securities. We feel that we can provide a trading vehicle that blends the access of a bulletin board and the protection of a national auction marketplace. It fits nicely into the American Stock Exchange's strategic plan of establishing a powerful presence for itself in the international securities market," said American Stock Exchange Chairman James R. Jones.

"We all need to recognize the world is changing, but at the same time we must maintain the integrity of the marketplace if we are going to attract sustained investor interest. Trading in the securities we are targeting in this proposal should be monitored to the fullest extent possible to protect the investor. The American Stock Exchange can provide the qualities deemed necessary for safe participation in these markets," said Jones.

CONTACT: Shelly Wolfe of American Stock Exchange, 212-306-1641

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - San Diego Gas and Electric (SDG&E) (NYSE: SDO) officials said today the company will contest a FERC administrative law judge's initial decision to reject the proposed Southern California Edison-San Diego Gas & Electric merger.

Judge George P. Lewnes issued his 119-page decision today, calling the proposed merger "anti-competitive."

"We're not surprised with the decision and will appeal to the full Commission to reverse this result," said Lee Haney, senior vice president of finance and chief financial officer. "We believe that the record supports the nearly $1.7 billion in merger benefits and that the antitrust conditions agreed to with the Department of Justice resolve any competitive concerns.

"In addition, we note that the FERC staff found that the benefits of the merger justify approval with conditions similar to those agreed to by the Department of Justice."

Haney added that the company will continue its work to consummate the proposed merger.

"We observe that FERC reversed the same ALJ on the Utah-Pacificorp merger," said Haney. "We expect the Commission to do the same here."

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DETROIT, (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Comerica Incorporated (NASDAQ-NMS: CMCA) today declared dividends on the company's common and preferred stock.

A quarterly dividend of 65 cents per share on common stock will be payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

A semi-annual dividend of $2.1625 per share on Series B preferred stock will be payable Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

The dividends were announced by Eugene A. Miller, chairman, president and chief executive officer.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - American Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: APFC, PSE: APFP), in line with the preliminary figures released on Nov. 5, today reported sharp gains in revenues, net income and net income per share for both the fourth quarter and fiscal year.

For the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, net income climbed to $7,363,000, equal to $1.42 per share on revenues of $59,509,000. Results for the prior year are not directly comparable since the company was operating in a start-up mode for the first 10 months of fiscal 1989. For that year, the company reported net income of $1,366,000, equal to 25 cents per share on revenues of $13,962,000. Weighted average common shares outstanding were 5,147,000 in fiscal 1990 and 4,860,000 in fiscal 1989.

Net income for the fourth quarter totaled $1,819,000, equal to 37 cents per share, up 36 percent from $1,353,000 or 27 cents per share one year earlier. Fourth quarter revenues increased 40 percent to $15,317,000 from $10,988,000 in the fiscal 1989 quarter.

American Pacific's principal business activities consist of the production of ammonium perchlorate, the oxidizer utilized in composite solid rocket propellants employed by a large number of space and military systems. Through

direct and indirect subsidiaries, the company is engaged in the manufacture of chlorate and perchlorate chemicals, the design and manufacture of electrolytic systems and electrodes, the design and manufacture of pollution control systems, and industrial real estate development.

AMERICAN PACIFIC CORPORATION
Condensed Financial Information
(Unaudited)
(In 000's, except per share data)

	Year Ended Sept. 30,		Quarter Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$59,509	$13,962	$15,317	$10,988
Net income	$7,363	$1,366	$1,819	$1,353
Primary net income per common share	$1.42	$.25	$.37	$.27
Assets	$150,678	$118,150	$150,678	$118,150
Shareholder's equity	$24,807	$17,067	$24,807	$17,067

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#90331p8578 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - ParcPlace Systems today shipped the newest releases of its object-oriented programming systems, Objectworks(R)/C++ and Objectworks/Smalltalk, and announced the formation of ParcPlace Partners, a value-added business program for third-party Smalltalk application developers and systems integrators.

"Since we announced the two Objectworks systems this summer, the response from our beta-site developers has been extremely positive," said Doug Pollack, ParcPlace's vice president of marketing, sales and services. "We're confident that the business and engineering communities at large will embrace Objectworks/Smalltalk and Objectworks/C++, adding to the momentum of object-oriented technology," he concluded.

The ParcPlace Partners program will provide a support infrastructure for value-added resellers (VARs), systems integrators and independent software vendors (ISVs) who develop applications in the Smalltalk language. "Recent attention from a variety of sources has elevated market awareness of the benefits of Smalltalk," explained Pollack. "ParcPlace Partners should continue increasing the market acceptance of Smalltalk by helping third parties develop and implement applications that address real-world business issues," he added.

Partners Working Together

The ParcPlace Partners program offers a variety of marketing and technical services that support the development, porting and selling of Smalltalk applications. ParcPlace Partners will provide input to the ParcPlace Advisory Council, which offers valuable feedback on products and other issues. Marketing services include a Partners catalog, a direct-mail program, a special column in ParcPlace's newsletters, as well as other co-marketing activities. Technical services include a support hotline, a technical newsletter, an electronic bulletin board, discounted software updates, and early releases of new versions of Objectworks/Smalltalk.

ParcPlace Partners are also eligible for significant discounts on development licenses. Partners receive a 90 percent discount on their first development license, and a 40 percent discount on the next ten development licenses. Partners also receive 20 percent off tuition for courses offered through ParcPlace's Educational Services.

Based in Mountain View, ParcPlace Systems Inc. is a pioneer and leader in bringing the benefits of object-oriented programming technology to commercial organizations.

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HIGHLAND PARK, MI (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) reported a 10.8-percent increase in domestic car sales and a 0.5-percent increase in domestic truck sales for the mid 10-day selling period of November compared to the same period a year ago. Total car sales, which includes imports, are up 8.4 percent.

Dodge Dynasty sedans led car sales with an 81-percent gain. Chrysler brand large sedans, Plymouth Acclaim and Laser, Dodge Spirit, and Eagle Talon, Summit and Premier also registered gains.

Dodge Caravan and Plymouth Voyager minivan sales were up 35 and 31 percent, respectively, which Chrysler attributed to attractive incentives on 1989 and '90 models. Jeep Wrangler sales were up 4 percent, helping contribute to the increase in truck sales for the period.

Total Cars

	1990	1989	Percent Change	Selling Days '90	Selling Days '89
Nov. 11-20	24,381	22,490	+ 8.4	8	8
Nov. 1-20	44,615	45,403	- 1.7	17	17
Jan. 1-Nov. 20	774,347	933,977	-17.4	274	273

Domestic Cars

Nov. 11-20	22,362	20,187	+10.8
Nov. 1-20	41,235	40,953	+ 0.7
Jan. 1-Nov. 20	715,504	839,166	-15.0
	Total Trucks		
Nov. 11-20	23,115	23,620	- 2.1
Nov. 1-20	37,900	46,227	-18.0
Jan. 1-Nov. 20	756,936	878,230	-14.1
	Domestic Trucks		
Nov. 11-20	22,865	22,741	+ 0.5
Nov. 1-20	37,423	44,479	-15.9
Jan. 1-Nov. 20	745,022	842,775	-11.9
	Total Vehicles		
Nov. 11-20	47,496	46,110	+ 3.0
Nov. 1-20	82,515	91,630	- 9.9
Jan. 1-Nov. 20	1,531,283	1,812,207	-15.8

All changes are computed on a daily rate basis.

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#90331p8584 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Rainbow Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: RNBO) announced it has issued a letter of intent to exchange an undisclosed amount of Rainbow shares for all outstanding shares of Pyramid Development Corp., a privately held company located in West Hartford, Conn.

Pyramid develops and markets information security products for networked and standalone personal computer systems. The exchange is subject to negotiations of a definitive agreement and approval by both Rainbow and Pyramid shareholders.

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#90331p8593 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Division today reported the following 10-day sales figures:

	Nov. 11-20		Month-to-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Selling days	8	8	17	17
Ford	3,974	1,901	6,479	3,740
Thunderbird	3,215	2,483	6,882	4,802

Taurus	8,589	6,774	16,179	14,948
Tempo	3,777	4,567	7,925	9,712
Escort	8,711	5,814	16,683	11,648
Festiva	1,111	1,359	2,106	2,668
Mustang	4,662	2,992	9,020	6,133
Probe	1,341	2,888	2,411	5,530
Total cars	35,380	28,778	67,685	59,181
Bronco	989	1,815	1,827	3,409
Bronco II/Expl	7,574	2,787	13,682	5,416
Club Wagon	537	585	854	1,217
Van	2,958	3,229	5,395	7,047
Aerostar	4,954	3,197	9,068	6,100
Ranger	8,020	8,218	14,826	15,655
F-Series	12,616	13,032	23,459	25,256
Heavy	861	978	1,831	2,308
Total trucks	38,509	33,841	70,942	66,408

	CYTD	
	1990	1989
Selling days	274	273
Ford	104,871	98,884
Thunderbird	98,202	112,608
Taurus	284,161	314,828
Tempo	198,627	207,708
Escort	264,401	308,505
Festiva	49,294	63,773
Mustang	115,791	151,378
Probe	98,828	122,855
Total cars	1,214,175	1,380,539
Bronco	43,850	55,803
Bronco II/Expl	156,780	97,796
Club Wagon	18,634	22,930
Van	132,482	152,658
Aerostar	163,772	170,092
Ranger	257,223	252,890
F-Series	481,946	512,521
Heavy	41,417	51,798
Total trucks	1,296,104	1,316,488

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#90331p8595 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWPORT NEWS, VA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Flight International Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: FLTI) announced today that on Nov. 20, 1990 Smith Technologies Inc., pursuant to an amended Option and Stock Purchase Agreement it had previously executed with Flight International, exercised its option to purchase 500,000 additional shares of Flight International's common stock at an exercise price

of $3.00 per share.

As a result of the exercise of such option, Smith Technologies' right to require Flight International to purchase, at an aggregate price of $1,000,000, the 333,333.3 shares of Flight International's common stock owned by Smith Technologies prior to such exercise has been extinguished.

The exercise by Smith Technologies brings Smith Technologies' ownership of Flight International's outstanding common stock from approximately 7.57 percent to approximately 17 percent. The Option and Stock Purchase Agreement contains certain anti- dilution provisions, which the board of directors of Flight International is currently reviewing.

Fred Shaw, senior vice president and chief financial officer of Flight International, stated: "This additional investment adds $1.5 million in primary capital to the company, and because the 'put' option has been extinguished, the company can now recognize as capital the earlier $1 million investment of Smith Technologies."

The Option and Stock Purchase Agreement provides that Smith Technologies has a further option to purchase 4,500,000 additional shares of Flight International's common stock, at an exercise price of $3.00 per share, in three annual installments beginning July 12, 1991.

Flight International also announced that Smith Technologies has stated that Smith Technologies will seek to change the composition of the present board of directors of Flight International and to designate representatives of Smith Technologies to constitute a majority of the board of directors.

The Flight International Group, Inc. is a leader in aviation services with interests in government and military contracts as well as commercial flight operations.

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#90331p8596 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - At the First Boston Technology Conference here today, AMP (NYSE: AMP) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Harold A. McInnes commented on estimated fourth quarter results and on the outlook for next year.

He indicated fourth quarter sales are expected to be up about 12 percent year-to-year to $760-770 million. This would be up from $750 million in the third quarter and similar to the record $764 million sales in the first quarter. Fourth quarter earnings are expected to be about 65 cents/share -- similar to the 65 cents in the year-earlier period and down slightly from the

68 cents in the third quarter. These estimates are $10-15 million lower in sales and 5-10 cents/share lower in earnings than was expected as AMP entered the fourth quarter. The lower current estimate is due to slowing in parts of AMP's European business.

For all of 1990, sales are expected to be up 8-9 percent to over $3 billion from $2.8 billion in 1989, and earnings about $2.70/share up from $2.63/share in 1989.

For 1991, sales are expected to grow 7-9 percent to about $3.3 billion. U.S. sales are expected to be flat or up a few percent. At constant currency rates, Europe is expected to grow about 10-13 percent in U.S. dollars and Asia/Pacific at over 20 percent in U.S. dollars.

AMP recently announced a price increase to U.S. customers effective Jan. 1, 1991, estimated to average between 2 percent and 5 percent.

McInnes stated, "If we get the sales growth we expect and some improvement in U.S. margins, there is a good chance we can equal or exceed this year's earnings and the possibility of breaking the $3.00/share earnings barrier.

Harrisburg, Pa.-based AMP Inc. is the world's leading producer of electrical/electronic connection devices. It has nearly 25,000 employees in nearly 160 facilities in the U.S. and 27 other countries. AMP stock is listed on the New York, Pacific and other regional stock exchanges (symbol -- "AMP").

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#90331p8597 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, AL (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Big B (NASDAQ: BIGB) announced today record sales for the 38-week and 12-week periods ended Oct. 27.

Sales rose to $327,347,000 from $285,050,000 for the 38-week period, up 14.8 percent. The company reported a net loss for the period of $(3,920,000) as compared to a profit of $2,895,000 in the prior year.

For the 12-week third quarter, sales rose to $103,208,000, up 14.8 percent from $89,876,000 in the prior year while the company recorded a net loss of $(959,000) for the quarter as compared to a net loss in the prior year of $(584,000).

The company noted that implementation of cost-cutting measures and gross margin adjustments following the second quarter had substantially reduced the loss in the third quarter and are expected to result in further improvement during the fourth quarter.

The board of directors elected to omit a quarterly dividend normally paid in December due to restrictive provisions in various debt agreements and to further enhance cash flow to facilitate debt repayment. Future quarterly dividends will be reviewed based on the company's operations at that time.

During the quarter four stores were opened and the final store opening planned for this fiscal year was opened the first week of the fourth quarter, bringing the total store count to 311. The new stores are located in Birmingham (2), and Tallassee, Ala.; and Atlanta and LaFayette, Ga. The 200,000-square-foot expansion of the distribution center is nearing completion and should begin operating during the fourth quarter. The company reported that it had closed the Atlanta distribution center during the third quarter and will benefit from much improved operating efficiency by now shipping all stores from its expanded 440,000-square-foot state-of-the-art facility located in Bessemer, Ala.

Big B Inc. operates stores in Alabama (151), Georgia (113), Florida (20), Mississippi (9) and Tennessee (18).

BIG B INC.

38 wks. ended	10/27/90	10/21/89
Sales	$327,347	$285,050
Net earnings (loss)	(3,920)	2,895
Earnings (loss) per share	$(.52)	$.39
Average shares outstanding	7,520	7,441
12 wks. ended	10/27/90	10/21/89
Sales	$103,208	$ 89,876
Net earnings (loss)	(959)	(584)
Earnings (loss) per share	$(.13)	$(.08)
Average shares outstanding	7,559	7,458

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#90331p8599 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALM BEACH GARDENS, FL (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Top Source, Inc.'s (NASDAQ: TOPS) CEO, Stuart Landow, announced today results of independent lab tests, which verified that the Tops Engine Control System (EFECS) exclusively licensed to the company from M.I.T., could be programmed to improve fuel economy up to 18 percent or significantly reduce exhaust emission without power loss while using less costly, lower octane fuels.

Optimal balance measured a 6 percent economy gain with emissions calculated to be within federal standards when engine speed and load were comparable to a 50 m.p.h. cruise.

The system was tested, using a retrofitted late model GM V6 engine, on a fully instrumented engine dynomometer at the Arthur D. Little Laboratory in Cambridge, Mass. ADL's engineers commented that there is significant potential for additional gains from further optimization.

EFECS (Engine Fuel Economy, Emission Reduction Control System) will be marketed to vehicle manufacturers worldwide to help meet future engine performance standards and can be retrofitted on cars, trucks and other engines to reduce fuel consumption, utilize lower octane fuels and help improve present air quality conditions.

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#90331p8600 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDDLETOWN, PA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The evaporation of 2.3 million gallons of processed water from GPU Nuclear's Three Mile Island Unit 2 is expected to begin Thursday, Nov. 29.

Evaporation, which was scheduled to begin in September, was delayed to allow the commonwealth of Pennsylvania to review a Columbia University health study released Aug. 31 that found no link between the TMI-2 accident and cancer incidence in the area.

In a letter to GPU Nuclear, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources (DER) Secretary Arthur Davis said DER found "no reason to continue our request for a hold on the evaporation process."

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and the DER had previously ruled, following extensive public NRC hearings and DER review, that the two-year evaporation process will not present a threat to public health or to the environment.

The water contains slight amounts of radioactivity and is being stored on site in large tanks.

The average exposure to any individual within 50 miles of TMI during the entire two years of evaporation will be 0.005 millirem. (A millirem is a measurement of radiation exposure.)

By comparison, the average exposure from natural background radiation in the United States is about 1 millirem per day. That means that during two years of evaporation, the average exposure is a minute fraction of the exposure one receives each day from being outdoors. Or put another way, the maximum dose from the entire two-year process will be equivalent to what the average television viewer receives annually watching color TV.

The evaporation process involves first boiling the water in small batches to remove trace radioactive particles such as cesium and strontium and non-radioactive particles such as boron and sodium. The particles will be collected, dried, placed in drums and shipped to a low-level waste site.

After the water is boiled and turned to steam it is then turned back into water, passed through a radiation monitor, vaporized and released as steam through a vent stack.

More than 99 percent of the original radioactivity in the water has been removed over the years by processing the water through a demineralizing system installed at Unit 2 after the accident.

An additional 99 percent of the remaining radioactive and non- radioactive particles will be removed from the water during the evaporation process. The evaporator, however, will not remove tritium from the water. Tritium is a form of hydrogen and because hydrogen and oxygen combine to make water, the tritium cannot be separated from the water, but will be released into the atmosphere.

GPU Nuclear's environmental monitoring program will help verify that there are no adverse effects on the environment during and after evaporation.

Atmospheric water vapor will be collected by equipment at five new locations around TMI and checked for tritium. In addition, tritium analyses will be done on environmental samples such as milk collected from seven local farms and vegetation from 20 locations during the growing season.

Regular reports on the results of the environmental monitoring program will be filed with the NRC and the DER. GPU Nuclear will make the monitoring results available in routine newspaper advertisements.

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#90331p8603 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Fuqua Industries Inc. (NYSE: FQA) today announced the declaration of quarterly dividend of $.09 per share on its common stock.

The dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 12, 1990.

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#90331p8606 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
MENTOR, OHIO (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - ISK Enterprises, Inc., a subsidiary of Ishihara Sangyo Kaisha, Ltd. (ISK) of Osaka, Japan, today acquired 100 percent of SDS Enterprises, Inc. from Fermenta AB of Stockholm, Sweden, for a total consideration of approximately US $300 million. SDS Enterprises, Inc. has one wholly owned subsidiary known as SDS Biotech Corporation (SDS).

SDS has two wholly owned operating subsidiaries, Fermenta ASC Corporation and Ricerca, Inc. Fermenta ASC Corporation, based in Mentor, Ohio, has production facilities near Houston, and manufactures and markets a variety of agricultural and specialty chemical products. Ricerca, Inc. is a research and development company which provides broad-based technical services to clients on a contract basis. Its facilities are located in Concord Township, Ohio. ISK intends for these two companies to continue to operate in the same manner as they do currently.

According to Franklin S. Barry, president of SDS, "The acquisition by ISK is indicative of its objective to maximize return on investment in new technologies. ISK's excellent track record in research, combined with our strength in product development, registration, and marketing, result in an integrated organization with worldwide reach."

Barry said that customers currently served by the two units will benefit from several new products to be introduced by ISK in the near future.

ISK, one of the world's leading producers of titanium dioxide, also develops, manufactures, and markets agricultural chemicals as well as magnetic materials. Its 1990 sales totaled US $800 million, including the sales of its subsidiary companies.

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#90331p8618 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES, (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of CalMat Co. (NYSE: CZM) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.16 per share on the company's common stock (par value $1).

The dividend is payable Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 7, 1990.

CalMat is one of the largest U.S. producers of construction aggregates and asphalt, and is a major landowner in Southern California and Arizona.

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#90331p8619 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST ORANGE, NJ (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Micro Healthsystems, Inc. (NASDAQ: MCHS), a manufacturer of Bedside Nursing Patient Care Systems and Healthcare Financial Management Systems, "is guaranteed significant revenues and profits from its recently signed contract with Baxter Healthcare Corporation, a subsidiary of Baxter International (NYSE: BAX), thus assuring the continuation of the record growth which in the last three fiscal years resulted in earnings rising from $.06 per share to $.21 per share to $.49 per share, and in the half year ended Sept. 30, 1990 increasing to $.42 against $.24," S.M. Caravetta, chairman and chief executive officer, today told money managers and analysts attending the Seventh Annual Medical Conference hosted by Robertson, Stephens and Co. "Earnings for the year beginning April 1, 1991, barring unpredictable circumstances, should exceed $1.25 per share," he said.

Caravetta also informed analysts that "under the agreement with Baxter, MedTake will also develop additional systems to permit its usage in ICU/CCU, emergency rooms and other hospital departments. Therefore our reach in the hospital market will expand dramatically. In addition to eventually linking MedTake with all other hospital information systems, such as admitting, pharmacy, laboratory and acuity, we plan ultimately to place MedTake units in physician's offices, allowing doctors to monitor their patients' treatment and condition from the office."

Caravetta further stated that "although Baxter will be the exclusive distributor in the U.S. and Canada, the contracts for the installation of the MedTake System and ongoing hardware and software service agreements will be signed by the hospitals directly with our MedTake subsidiary. MedTake will continue to directly receive maintenance, upgrade and renewal fees from all the hospitals."

With MedTake now servicing approximately 4,000 beds in 30 institutions, MedTake has approximately 70 percent of the installed base of Bedside Nursing Patient Care Systems in the U.S., Caravetta stated. He pointed out that "the approximately 1.3 million military and civilian beds in the U.S. represent a major market opportunity for us, and the Baxter affiliation will permit us to not only accelerate our already aggressive growth program, but expand it into the Canadian market and into other hospital activities. The significance of this opportunity is best illustrated by noting that our record revenues of $7.4 million for the year ending March 31, 1990 included not only MedTake, but our financial administrative software programs and services for hospitals. Although clearly we are growing very rapidly and profitably on our own, the Baxter arrangement presents an unusual opportunity to shorten the cycle in which we capture a very large portion of a marketplace in which we are already the dominant factor."

Caravetta noted that "our financial administrative systems continue their slow

but steady growth with high profitability. We believe we are now in an excellent position to take advantage of the expanding hospital marketplace, both for MedTake and for our financial management and administrative software services. We have no formal debt, approximately $3.0 million in cash, substantial bank lines and strong cash flow. As of Sept. 30, we had a current ratio of 4.7 to 1, and a quick ratio of 4.2 to 1.

"In being selected for the first time by Forbes Magazine as one of the "200 Best Small Companies in America," Micro Healthsystems moved into 164th place by achieving a latest 12 month return on equity of 23.1 percent, 5 year earning per share growth rate of 116 percent and a debt/equity ratio of 0," he said.

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#90331p8622 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WABASH, IN (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Shirt Shed, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: SHRT) announced an indefinite postponement of its annual meeting of shareholders, previously scheduled to be held on Dec. 11, 1990. Shirt Shed and Signal Apparel Company, Inc. (NYSE: SIA) jointly announced on Oct. 30, 1990 that they commenced discussions concerning a proposal by Signal to enter into a negotiated transaction pursuant to which all of Shirt Shed's shares other than those held by Signal would be acquired. The proposal is subject to the negotiation and execution of a mutually acceptable acquisition agreement, approval by the boards of directors of both Signal and Shirt Shed. Signal's arranging financing and the receipt of any required regulatory and other approvals, including any required shareholder approvals. There can be no assurance as to whether or when a transaction will be consummated.

In addition to the annual election of directors, shareholders were to be asked at the Dec. 11 meeting to consider a proposed amendment to Shirt Shed's certificate of incorporation. The amendment would authorize a new class of preferred stock and additional common stock, as contemplated by the previously announced transaction pursuant to which Signal acquired a $6,000,000 subordinated note of Shirt Shed. The note, issued July 13, 1990, is convertible into 8 percent convertible preferred stock if the charter is amended. The preferred stock would be convertible into 2,000,000 shares of Shirt Shed's common stock.

In connection with postponement of the meeting, Shirt Shed and Signal amended their agreement under which the subordinated note was issued. This agreement requires Shirt Shed's charter to be amended as described above by Dec. 15, 1990. The amendment to the agreement provides that Shirt Shed will not be in default for failure to meet this deadline for so long as discussions are

continuing regarding the proposed transaction. If either party terminates the discussions or determines not to proceed with the transaction, the amendment to the agreement allows adequate time for Shirt Shed to attempt to obtain shareholder approval for the charter amendments.

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#90331p8624 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARMONK, NY (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Ronald E. Compton, president of Aetna Life and Casualty Company, was elected to the MBIA Inc. (NYSE: MBI) board of directors. Compton replaces Philip R. Roberts as one of Aetna's representatives on the MBIA Inc. board.

Compton joined Aetna in 1954 as an underwriter and held a series of increasingly responsible home office and field positions. In January 1983, Compton was named president of American Re-Insurance Company. He returned to Aetna in March 1987 and was appointed president and a director on July 1, 1988.

MBIA Inc., through its wholly owned subsidiary, MBIA Corporation, is a leading insurer of municipal bonds, including new issues, bonds traded in the secondary market and those held in unit investment trusts and mutual funds. MBIA is rated Triple-A by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and by Standard and Poor's Corporation and municipal bonds insured by MBIA receive these ratings.

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PITTSBURGH, (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Research Inc. (NASDAQ: CORE) today reported a net loss of $358,837 or 9 cents per share on revenues of $11,007,613 for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990, compared to earnings of $38,622 or 1 cent per share on revenues of $12,136,181 for the previous 12-month period.

Computer Research provides computerized back-office accounting services for about 80 securities broker/dealers and brokerage subsidiaries of banks throughout the United States. Its wholly owned subsidiary, Computer Applications Division Inc., provides CAD/CAM (computer-aided design-drafting/computer-aided manufacturing) systems, equipment and training for engineers, architects, industrial designers and educational institutions in western Pennsylvania and in the Denver area.

James L. Schultz, president, said the 9 percent drop in revenues for 1990 compared to the previous year was due primarily to a decrease of $1.3 million in sales by the CAD subsidiary. He said the decline reflected both a softening

in demand for CAD/CAM software and hardware and lower unit prices resulting from advances in computer hardware development.

Approximately 57 percent of the company's total revenues for the year were generated by the CAD subsidiary.

"This was a disappointing year for us," Schultz said. "Industry predictions of growth in the CAD/CAM market simply did not materialize and our sales fell by more than $1 million.

"Revenues from our data-processing services grew slightly, but not enough to offset the substantial drop in the CAD/CAM area, which had been the strong growth segment of our business in the previous two years."

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - J. Michael Cook, chairman and chief executive officer of Deloitte & Touche, has just assumed the leadership of the nation's largest United Way organization, The United Ways of Tri-State. He will serve as chairman of the board for the next two years, succeeding David T. Kearns, chairman of Xerox Corporation.

In this role, Cook will lead a board of 80 community leaders from across the tri-state area of Connecticut, New Jersey and New York in supporting the nation's largest charitable contributions drive and the provision of services through 35 area United Ways. Two out of five people in the tri-state area benefit from United Way-funded services.

"The United Way has long provided the infrastructure for the voluntary delivery of health and human service across the nation. That system of caring faces particular challenges in the environment of a weakening private-sector economy and reduced government funding on the local, state and national level " Cook explained. "We are caught in a 'Catch-22'. The need for United Way agency services has never been greater nor has the challenge of raising the funds to make it all possible. With the help of the thousands of volunteers across the tri- state system, I know we'll meet that challenge."

Cook is no stranger to community involvement. He served with the United Ways of Tri-State for the last three years, most recently chairing its Strategic Planning Committee. He has been active with local United Ways in both New York City and Wilton, Conn., and served on the United Way of America's Strategic Planning Committee. Cook is a member of the board of directors of the New York City Ballet, the board of trustees of the Central Park Conservancy and the board of trustees of the U.S. Council of International

Business.

He is past chairman of the American Institute of Public Accountants, having served as chairman during its centennial year, and is currently serving as chairman of the 1992 World Congress of Accountants. Cook is a member of the Conference Board.

The United Ways of Tri-State is a fundraising partnership of 35 local United Ways in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, which raised over $200 million last year, the greatest amount ever raised for health and human services in this region. Over 1,800 human care agencies are supported through the regionwide fundraising campaign. The 1990-91 United Ways of Tri-State campaign, currently underway, seeks to raise $218 million.

Cook noted that this year's ambitious fundraising goal marks the first step in a multi-year plan to strengthen the United Way's resources to help people in need throughout the region, despite economic challenges and uncertainties. "The human service needs of our communities are expanding and the United Way Partnership in the tri- state region must meet the challenges of these growing needs," he affirmed. "The dollars raised are more than numbers; they represent meals, shelter, health services and many other vital programs. So much depends on everyone assuming a leadership role and taking responsibility for making a difference at this critical time."

Deloitte & Touche, the nation's third largest professional services firm, provides accounting and auditing, tax and management consulting services through 20,000 people in more than 100 U.S. cities.

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#90331p8633 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEDFORD, Mass. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Millipore Corporation (NYSE: MIL) announced today that it was consolidating its MilliGen/Biosearch Division into the company's Waters Chromatography Division. At the same time the company announced that Douglas A. Berthiaume, senior vice president and chief financial officer of the company, would become president of the Waters Chromatography Division, succeeding William L. Shippey. Shippey resigned as president of that division as well as executive vice president of Millipore to pursue other options.

In making the announcements, John A. Gilmartin, chairman and chief executive officer of Millipore, stated: "We have achieved significant market penetration through the focused efforts of our MilliGen/Biosearch Division, but in the current worldwide business climate, the company's life science instrumentation opportunities can best be fulfilled with MilliGen/Biosearch as

part of the Waters Chromatography Division. We are confident that MilliGen/Biosearch can be integrated with the rest of our instrument business while maintaining its customer focus and its drive for future growth, and at the same time allowing Millipore to achieve the benefits resulting from such consolidation."

Millipore is a multinational, high technology company that leads the $3 billion separations industry. Millipore products are used for analysis, synthesis and purification in life science research, pharmaceutical production environmental testing, beverage processing, semiconductor manufacturing, health care and other applications.

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#90331p8635 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, SC (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Gates/FA Distributing (NASDAQ: FACO) has reported financial results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company realized a net income of $189,000 or 1 cent per share, compared to a net income of $280,000, or 1 cent per share for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Net sales for the first fiscal quarter of 1991 were $40.1 million, compared to $41.2 million for the same quarter a year earlier, representing a 2.79 percent decrease. However, sales for the first quarter were 13.36 percent, or $4.7 million higher than the fourth quarter of 1990.

According to management, this increase indicates that the company has recovered from the loss of the Toshiba line as reported in the March 31, 1990, quarterly report, through increased sales in existing lines and the addition of new product lines.

Due to competitive pressures, gross margins decreased from 10.57 percent for the first quarter of fiscal 1990 to 10.02 percent for the same period in 1991. However, margins have increased from the 9.65 percent recorded for fiscal 1990. This increase is a result of the company's focus on higher margin sales for fiscal 1991.

Despite the decrease in sales and gross margins, income before income taxes was $318,000, representing an increase of 13.57 percent, or $38,000 over $280,000 for the same period in 1990. Selling, general and administrative costs (SG&A) as a percent of sales for the most recent quarter reported were 7.74 percent, compared to 8.22 percent for the corresponding quarter of fiscal 1990. This reduction reflects the increased efficiencies realized by the successful completion of the centralization of warehouse operations.

Gates/FA Distributing is a national distributor of a select number of high-quality microcomputer product lines. Serving only the reseller, Gates/FA offers "Next Day/ No Extra Cost!" delivery from its centralized-hub warehousing facility. The corporate headquarters are located in Greenville, S.C., at 803-234-0736. The national toll-free sales telephone number is 800-332-2222.

F.A. COMPUTER TECHNOLOGIES INC.
d.b.a GATES/FA DISTRIBUTING
Consolidated Statement of Income

	Three Months Ended September 30	
	1990	1989
	(In thousands, except for per share data)	
Net sales	$40,085	$41,234
Cost of goods sold	36,068	36,876
Gross Profit	4,017	4,358
Selling, shipping, general and administrative	3,102	3,391
Operating income	915	967
Other income (expense)		
Interest expense	(598)	(687)
Other -- net	1	--
Other expense -- net	(597)	(687)
Income before income taxes and extraordinary credit	318	280
Provision for federal and state income taxes	129	133
Income before extraordinary credit	189	147
Extraordinary credit-tax benefits from utilization of operating loss carryforwards	--	133
Net income	$189	$280
Per share data:		
Income before extraordinary credit	$.01	(i)
Net income per share	$.01	$.01

(i) Less than $.01 per share

CONTACT: Steve Owings of Gates/FA Distributing, 803-234-0736; or Nancy Comstock of Comstock Communications, 415-799-7711 for Gates/FA Distributing

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#90331p8637 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORFOLK, VA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Norfolk Southern Corporation (NYSE: NSC) today made several senior management changes, including the election of Joseph R. Neikirk as vice chairman and the elevation of three other officers. The changes were announced by Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Arnold B. McKinnon following approval by the board of directors.

Neikirk, currently executive vice president-Administration, will assume his new position January 1. Also effective January 1:

Robert E. L. deButts, currently senior vice president-Corporate Development and Real Estate, becomes executive vice president-Corporate Development and Real Estate. David R. Goode, currently vice president-Taxation, will succeed Neikirk as executive vice president-Administration.

Henry C. Wolf, currently assistant vice president-tax counsel, will succeed Goode as vice president-Taxation.

Neikirk, 62, began his career with Norfolk and Western Railway in 1955 and rose through the ranks in various Operations positions. When NW and Southern consolidated in 1982, he became vice president-Corporate Development for Norfolk Southern, and subsequently vice president-Personnel and Labor Relations.

Neikirk, a University of North Carolina graduate, became executive vice president-Administration in 1987, and also serves as vice president and executive director of the Norfolk Southern Foundation.

deButts, 63, rose through increasingly responsible positions in the Southern Railway law department and became general counsel of Norfolk Southern. He was named vice president-Real Estate in 1984, vice president-Corporate Development and Real Estate in 1987 and senior vice president in 1988. He holds BA and LLB degrees from the University of Virginia.

Goode, 49, joined Norfolk and Western as a tax attorney in 1965, became director-Taxation in 1971 and was elected vice president-Taxation of Norfolk Southern in 1985. He is a graduate of Duke University and Harvard Law School.

Wolf, 48, joined NS in 1973 as senior tax attorney, becoming assistant vice president and tax counsel in 1984. A former attorney adviser for the U.S. Tax Court in Washington, Wolf holds BA and JD degrees from William and Mary, an MBA from Louisiana State and a LLM degree from Georgetown University.

CONTACT: Robert C. Fort, Assistant Vice President, 804-629-2714, or Don Piedmont, Director, 703-981-5407, both of the Public Relations Department, Norfolk Southern Corporation

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#90331p8639 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

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#90331p8640 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILAN, ITALY (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The new Montedison (NYSE: MNT), the company resulting from the recent merger between Ferruzzi Agricola Finanziaria and Montedison, announced today the decision to form a new holding company for its chemical, energy and pharmaceutical activities.

This new company will be called Montecatini S.p.A. and will be 100 percent owned by Montedison. Italo Trapasso, vice chairman of Montedison, will be Chairman of Montecatini S.p.A..

Montecatini will be the parent company for Himont (the world's leading producer and marketer of polypropylene), Ausimont (fluorochemicals), Sir (advanced materials), Selm (the energy company of the group, whose corporate name will be changed to Edison S.p.A.), Erbamont (pharmaceuticals), and all of the other companies which comprise Montedison's chemicals, pharmaceuticals and energy sectors. Montecatini S.p.A. and Edison S.p.A. were the names of the companies which originally merged to form Montedison S.p.A. in 1966.

The formation of Montecatini is part of the strategy for the development of the new Montedison, which will emphasize a strong agro-industrial sector coordinated by Eridania and an equally important and highly technological chemical sector coordinated by Montecatini.

Montecatini will have consolidated sales of approximately 6.5 trillion lire (approximately US$5.8 billion) as of 1991. Including the 50/50 joint ventures Monteshell and Ja/Mont, the combined sales revenues will be roughly 11 trillion lire (US$9.9 billion). The company will benefit from the significant research organizations within each sector.

The Ferruzzi Group is a leading international industrial system which operates through Montedison in the chemical, pharmaceutical and energy sectors, as well as in the agro-industrial sector, with an aggregate turnover of approximately $40 billion.

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#90331p8641 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CONN. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Connecticut Natural Gas Corporation (NYSE: CTG) today declared a quarterly dividend of 35 cents per share on the common stock of the company payable Dec. 21, 1990, to stockholders of record Dec. 7, 1990.

President Victor H. Frauenhofer noted that the amount of this quarterly dividend constitutes a one cent increase over the dividend payments made to common shareholders in the most recent quarters. "The increase largely was made possible through the disposition this year of several non-regulated

businesses that resulted in a net gain, as well as improving earnings from the ongoing non-regulated operations, for which there is no plan of disposition," Frauenhofer said.

Connecticut Natural Gas Corporation has paid quarterly cash dividends for 139 consecutive years, longer than any other gas distribution utility listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

Connecticut Natural Gas Corporation's common stock ticker symbol, as listed on the New York Stock Exchange, is CTG. The Wall Street Journal listing is ConnNatGas and in other newspapers the listing is ConnNG.

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-30- 1421

#90331p8642 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHGATE, MICH. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Security Bancorp, Inc. (OTC: SECB), Southgate, at a regular meeting held today, declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.25 per share payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 17, 1990. The quarterly cash dividend of $.25 per share represents an increase of 8.7 percent over the previous quarter's cash dividend and brings the company's indicated annual cash dividend to $1 per share.

In addition, the board of directors declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on the company's Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock of $.66 per share payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 17, 1990.

The company is currently included in "Moody's Handbook of Dividend Achievers," a service which includes those companies which have increased their common dividends in each of the last 10 years. In addition, the company has paid cash dividends each year since 1938.

Security Bancorp, Inc. is the parent company of Security Bank and Trust Company, Security Bank of Commerce, Security Bank Northeast, Security Bank St. Clair Shores, Security Bank of Monroe, SecureData Corporation, and United Bankers Life Insurance Company.

CONTACT: Security Bancorp Investor Relations, 313-281-5436

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#90331p8643 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

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#90331p8645 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLEN ELLYN, ILL. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has proposed a $112,500 fine against the Illinois Power Company for two violations of NRC safety requirements at the Clinton Nuclear Plant, Clinton, Ill.

NRC inspections March 14-May 14, 1990, and May 18-31, 1990, determined that the first violation involved the inoperability of the plant's two primary emergency diesel generators.

NRC regulations require the reactor to be shutdown if one of the two diesels is not operational within two hours. (An emergency diesel generator provides electrical power to the reactor and its safety systems in the event off-site electrical power is lost.)

Beginning May 14, 1990, the reactor was in an operating condition for 31 hours even though both diesel generators were inoperable. During this period, the licensee discovered that several valves in the service water system serving the two diesels were incorrectly positioned by operators following maintenance. The mispositioned valves would have prevented the service water system from adequately cooling the diesels if they had been called upon during an emergency.

Regional Administrator A. Bert Davis, in notifying the company of the proposed fine, said that "if the diesel generators had been called upon during a loss

of coolant accident, coincident with a loss of offsite power, the diesels would have physically failed within approximately 30 minutes of starting unless the operators responded to the diesel trouble alarm, correctly diagnosed the problem, and locally opened the valves." The proposed fine for this violation is $62,500.

The second violation involved a failure by the licensee to promptly identify and correct a potential safety problem first discovered on Jan. 24, 1990. At that time, plant engineers found that the flow of water through a heat exchanger in a room housing the shutdown service water pump was lower than expected. Without a properly functioning heat exchanger, heat could build-up in the room and either damage the pump or force it to shut down. (The shutdown service water pump provides cooling water to many components and heat exchangers in the plant. A heat exchanger provides the same type of heat removal service as the radiator on a car.)

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#90331p8646 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Aer Lingus has announced the deferment of the Los Angeles-Ireland service as part of an action plan to counter rising costs and the effects of the recession in air transport. The announcement follows a major review of the airline's operating plans in the light of weakening demand and escalating costs affecting airlines worldwide.

Key elements in the program will also include suspension of Los Angeles to Ireland freighter service, reduction of flights on some British and domestic Aer Lingus routes and the disposal of some of the older 737 aircraft. The plan also calls for revised schedules designed to protect the airlines strategic long term interests and position Aer Lingus to take advantage of expansion opportunities when buoyancy returns to the market.

Senior Vice-President North America, John Bastable said "the decision to postpone the start of the Los Angeles service was very disappointing and arrived at reluctantly. Factors affecting this decision included the weakness of the dollar, the late delivery of the new Boeing 767, due to a strike at the manufacturers and the recent increases in the price of fuel due to the continuing Gulf crisis."

He went on to say "we are forced to withdraw the Los Angeles freighter service due to the sharply increased price of fuel. Despite excellent loads it is running at a loss and until the situation improves it cannot be justified. The measures being taken were necessary in the current recessionary climate, but I can assure you that the airlines will continue to provide the highest standards of service to its customers. In 1991 Aer Lingus will operate a

transatlantic schedule from New York, Boston and Chicago similar to this past year. The airline will continue to have a sales office in Los Angeles and I expect to commence passenger service in 1992."

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#90331p8651 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Provident Bankshares Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: PBKS), the parent company of Provident Bank of Maryland, declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.10 per share at its meeting on Nov. 21, 1990.

The dividend is payable Dec. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record as of the close of business Dec. 15.

Provident Bankshares Corp., established in 1987, is parent of the 104-year-old Provident Bank of Maryland, a full-service commercial bank which provides consumer and commercial banking services through a 38- branch network in the Baltimore metropolitan area.

CONTACT: (Mrs.) Fran Minakowski, 301-576-2847, or Harold H. Johnson III, (financial), CFO, 301-576-2750, both of Provident Bankshares.

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#90331p8654 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSING, MI (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Oldsmobile dealers reported sales of 12,763 passenger vehicles in the Nov. 11-20 period for an increase of 11.1 percent over the same period a year ago. In addition, Oldsmobile's model year car and truck sales to date through Nov. 20 are up 16.5 percent from 59,671 last year to 71,501 this year.

Leading this sales increase in an otherwise flat market were the Cutlass Calais with sales up 26.7 percent for the period and 29 percent for the model year and the Cutlass Supreme which marked a 58.5 percent increase for the period and 59.0 percent for the model year. Reflecting Oldsmobile's increased presence in the marketplace, the division's percent of industry now stands at 5.5 percent, up nearly half a point from last year.

"Any sales increase given the current economic and political uncertainties is encouraging, but we're particularly thrilled that we're showing this kind of performance considering we're just now beginning to ship our Bravada sport utility vehicles and Custom Cruiser large wagons," said Oldsmobile General Sales and Service Manager David E. Lahti.

"That tells me that when these new products hit full stride and join our

family of other fine vehicles, including the totally redesigned and reengineered Ninety Eight, we ought to be seeing steady sales and market share gains for the year."

CONTACT: Ross H. Ruehle or Jill Witzenburg of Oldsmobile, 517-377-5660.

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#90331p8657 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KAN. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) (KG&E) declared today a quarterly dividend of 43 cents per share on its common stock. Payment of the common dividend will be December 31 to holders of record December 10.

Usual preferred stock dividends were also declared and will be paid January 1 to stockholders of record December 10.

Wilson Cadman, KG&E chairman of the board and president, announced the dividend action Tuesday following a meeting of the company's board of directors.

CONTACT: Lyle Koerper of Kansas Gas and Electric Company, 316-261-6207

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#90331p8660 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - MPSI China Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of MPSI Inc., announced today the formation of a new subsidiary, Shanghai MPSI Corp.

The new office will be based in Shanghai, China, and is set to open in January 1991. It will be used to recruit and train computer programmers and conduct software development work for that region. Selected candidates will spend up to one year training in MPSI's Americas region in Tulsa, Okla. Training will consist of learning MPSI computer software systems and models. Gordon Chang will direct the subsidiary's operations from Tulsa.

At the completion of their training, the programmers will develop software for MPSI's clients either at one of MPSI's facilities or at the client's site.

The first four programmers will begin training in Tulsa in early January 1991. It is expected that 10 to 20 programmers will be recruited for the training program each year.

This program will help build a strong software base in China, facilitating future expansion in South Asia. This office will also strengthen MPSI's position as a consulting and services company.

MPSI Inc. is an international computer software and information services company operating in more than 60 countries.

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#90331p8665 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - A former closing attorney for ComFed Savings Bank pleaded guilty today to conspiracy to commit bank fraud.

Wayne A. Budd, United States Attorney for the District of Massachusetts, announced that Daniel J. Scanlon of Londonderry, N.H. pleaded guilty to conspiring to defraud ComFed between December of 1987 and March of 1988 by creating false loan documents. These loan documents failed to disclose the full amounts of second mortgages for buyers at Old English Estates in Derry, N.H.

United States District Court Judge Robert E. Keeton set Scanlon's sentencing for Jan. 29, 1991. Scanlon faces a maximum sentence of 5 years incarceration and $250,000 in fines.

The case was investigated by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Margaret R. Hinkle of the Economic Crimes Division.

CONTACT: Susan Hicks Spurlock of the U.S. Attorney's Office, 617-223-9445

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#90331p8669 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - RCM Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: RCMT, RCMTZ) today announced its board of directors has extended the expiration date of the company's Class C Common Stock Warrants from Nov. 30, 1990 to March 1, 1991. The warrants are exercisable at $8.50 per share of common stock.

RCM Technologies, Inc. is involved in the development and marketing of its patented "System 99" which is designed to control hazardous emissions from smoke stacks, a major cause of acid rain. RCM also provides professional engineering and technical services for major corporations in aerospace, chemical and industrial manufacturing since 1968.

CONTACT: Robert Sackett, chairman and chief executive officer of RCM, 213-657-4670.

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#90331p8674 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, OR. (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Mentor Graphics Corp. (NASDAQ: MENT) today articulated its vision of concurrent engineering as the most significant engineering methodology of the 1990's, and announced strategic and organizational plans to be the leader in providing the technologies, products and services to realize that vision. The company also announced organizational plans to ensure continued leadership in both the systemr and IC design marketplaces.

A new Concurrent Engineering Group has been established, with Philip Robinson named as its president. This group will include the company's Falcon Framework for Concurrent Design; the OpenDoor program, whereby third parties are encouraged to incorporate their design automation tools and technologies within the Falcon Framework; the company's product data management (formerly the products of the Context Division), CASE and mechanical products; platform engineering and marketing; and responsibility for establishing and managing strategic relationships with vendors of technologies which complement and enhance Mentor Graphics products.

"Our ability to both support and help shape concurrent engineering is a great challenge and opportunity for Mentor Graphics," said Thomas H. Bruggere, chief executive officer and chairman of the board of directors. "We believe very strongly that concurrent engineering will define the design automation industry of the '90s, and we intend to be at the forefront of that methodology.

"While 'frameworks' have been a rallying cry for the '80s," Bruggere continued "the industry now recognizes that frameworks, while central to concurrent engineering, are not the complete answer. Our Concurrent Engineering Group will develop and deliver the complete package of technologies, products, services and third-party solutions required to make concurrent engineering a reality.

"We're particularly pleased to have Phil Robinson join us in this effort: his extensive industry experience, personal energy and vision, and customer orientation make him extremely well-qualified to lead our concurrent engineering effort." Robinson joins Mentor Graphics from Tektronix Inc. where he was most recently vice president of administration. Robinson joined Tektronix in September 1979 and has held various positions with that company, including senior vice president and chief marketing officer; vice president and general manager, Instrument Systems Group; vice president, Corporate Marketing and Service; and national sales manager.

In addition to its new Concurrent Engineering Group, the company will continue to dedicate resources to both the systems and IC design marketplaces through its existing Systems Group and IC Group.

Gerard H. Langeler will be president of the Systems Group, which includes the company's Design Synthesis Division; Simulation and Test Division; electronic packaging products; and Printed Circuit Board (PCB) Design and Layout

Division. Langeler is a co-founder of Mentor Graphics and a member of its board of directors.

James T. Hammock will continue as president of the IC Group. Hammock was president of Silicon Compiler Systems prior to its acquisition by Mentor Graphics in March 1990.

In a related change, David Moffenbeier, who has been executive vice president of Mentor Graphics, becomes president of the newly-formed World Trade Group, with expanded responsibilities for major accounts, customer service and support, and all international operations.

It was also announced that David Chen has been named vice president of corporate marketing and that Patti O'Connor will be vice president of employee relations. Robinson, Langeler, Hammock, Moffenbeier, Chen and O'Connor will all report to Bruggere, in addition to his current reports.

"This organizational structure reflects our determination to expand our design automation leadership throughout the 1990s," said Bruggere. "We are convinced that success in Concurrent Engineering, Systems and IC are necessary for overall industry leadership; and we are convinced as well that each segment requires a dedicated organizational effort. At the same time, we are establishing senior-level corporate positions to ensure we do not neglect the need to coordinate our efforts and to ensure that we continue to devote resources to developing our people and their talents.

"Our customers' requirements and the demands of the design automation marketplace are increasingly sophisticated," Bruggere concluded. "It is important that our corporate structure respond to and reflect that sophistication. Each of our Group Presidents, operating in a decentralized and largely autonomous environment, will be able to focus on the needs of specific customers and industry segments. It is an exciting and expanded opportunity for these executives; at the same time, this structure will encourage and reward even greater participation and contributions from a broad cross-section of our employees."

Mentor Graphics Corp., Beaverton, Ore., was established in 1981 to design, manufacture, market and service electronic design automation (EDA) systems. The company is the leader in worldwide EDA sales, with revenues of $433,789,000 over the last 12 months. The company currently employs more than 2,600 people. In addition to its corporate offices in Beaverton, Mentor Graphics has sales and support offices in 66 locations worldwide. The company's headquarters are located at 8500 S.W. Creekside Place, Beaverton, OR 97005.

NOTE: Falcon Framework for Concurrent Design is a trademark of Mentor Graphics Corp. OpenDoor is a servicemark of Mentor Graphics Corp.

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#90331p8677 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The International Monetary Fund has approved a loan equivalent to special drawing rights (SDR) 6.84 million (U.S. $9.9 million) for the Government of The Gambia, in support of the third annual arrangement under the Enhanced Structural Adjustment Facility (ESAF).

This new loan is to be disbursed in two equal semi-annual installments. The Gambia has already drawn SDR 13.68 million (U.S. $19.9 million) under the previous two programs of the three-year ESAF arrangement, approved in November 1988 for a total of SDR 20.52 million (U.S. $29.8 million).

The ESAF is a concessional lending window created by the IMF under which loans are made available to low income members undertaking macroeconomic reforms to strengthen their economic and financial position. ESAF loans have a rate of interest of one half of one percent, and are repayable over 10 years with a five and a half year grace.

The Gambia's quota in the IMF is SDR 17.1 million (U.S. $24.9 million) and its outstanding financial obligations to the IMF currently total the equivalent of SDR 28.89 million (U.S. $42.0 million), including outstanding SAF, ESAF, and Trust Fund loans.

During the second annual ESAF arrangement covering 1989/90, The Gambia registered strong economic growth and a substantial improvement in its balance of payments despite a downturn in tourism receipts. A significant increase in groundnut production, a high level of private and public investment, and a rebound in re-export trade during the second half of the year contributed to an estimated growth of real gross domestic product (GDP) of 6.0 percent. Inflation, however, accelerated from 8.0 percent in the year ended June 1989 to 13.3 percent in the year ended June 1990. A tightening of financial policies and a relatively stable exchange rate in the latter part of the fiscal year helped to slow the inflation rate. The Gambia's economic program for 1990/91 builds on the foundation of recent progress, emphasizing tight fiscal and monetary policies to sustain non-inflationary economic growth, a stable foreign exchange regime to foster export diversification and import substitution, a flexible interest rate policy to promote savings, and cautious external debt management policies to reduce the foreign debt service burden.

The economic goals for 1990/91, in line with the ESAF program objectives, are to achieve a growth of real GDP of at least 4.5 percent, to reduce the rate of inflation to 6.0 percent; and to generate an overall balance of payments surplus to build up the country's official reserves.

CONTACT: External Relations Department of the International Monetary Fund, 202-623-7100

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#90331p8678 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CONN (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Helm Resources (AMEX: H) today announced that it currently holds a total of 2,437,000 out of 3,046,088 outstanding shares of Interpak Holdings, Inc., increasing its ownership in Interpak to approximately 80 percent. Helm has increased its ownership in Interpak from approximately 53 percent to the current 80 percent level over the past five months through private and open market purchases at prevailing market prices.

Interpak Holdings, Inc. was a 100 percent owned subsidiary of Bamberger Polymers, Inc. (AMEX: BPI) which was spun out to BPI's stockholders as a stock dividend during May of 1990. Interpak performs warehousing and packaging services for the petrochemical industry.

Helm Resources, Inc. is a diversified business enterprise, with consolidated annual revenues of approximately $200 million, and various business interests that include the worldwide marketing and distribution of thermoplastic resins; the acquisition and marketing of seismic data to oil and gas companies; the development and marketing of optical disk software to the legal and financial services industries; the manufacture and marketing of industrial quality control products and agricultural products; the manufacture and sale of personal size hovercrafts. It affiliate Cliff Engle, Ltd. is engaged in the design, manufacture and distribution of apparel products that are officially licensed by the major sports leagues and the National Collegiate Athletic Association, while its subsidiary National Sports Marketing, Inc. is the exclusive U.S. distributor and licensee of Rossignol racquets and racquet sports apparel and accessories.

CONTACT: David S. Lawi of Helm Resources, 203-629-1400

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#90331p8679 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASHVILLE, TN (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - At the annual meeting held today, shareholders of Metropolitan Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ-NMS: MFTN) approved a change of charter to a federal savings bank.

As a federal savings bank, Metropolitan Federal will continue to be regulated by the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), and deposits will continue to be insured up to $100,000 by the FDIC. Upon final approval by the OTS, Metropolitan Federal will adopt a new name: Metropolitan Federal Bank, a federal savings bank.

"While the new charter and name will have no effect on operations, management or customer relationships, we believe this change will more accurately reflect the full array of consumer banking services now offered by Metropolitan Federal," commented Edwin W. Moats, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer.

Moats said that the name change will be accomplished within budget and no additional expenses will be incurred.

In his remarks to shareholders in attendance, Moats announced that Metropolitan Federal has contracted to sell loan servicing on approximately $150 million of residential mortgage loans, which will result in a gain of approximately $2 million. The sale is expected to close by December 31, 1990. Moats added that the $2 million gain will be used to help offset the anticipated operating loss this quarter that is likely to result from the high level of non-performing assets which are negatively affecting the net interest margin.

Shareholders also approved the re-election of two directors: R. Murray Hatcher partner with J.C. Bradford and Company, and E.B. Tanner, former president and chairman of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Union City. Both were elected to three-year terms.

In other action, shareholders approved the appointment of KPMG Peat Marwick as independent auditors.

Metropolitan Federal, Tennessee's largest publicly-traded savings and loan with 19 offices, operates throughout the state. Metropolitan Federal's common stock is traded on the over-the-counter market in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol MFTN.

CONTACT: Merilyn H. Herbert, Executive Vice President, Metropolitan Federal Savings and Loan Association, 615-259-2800, or Jane Smith of Reuben M. Smith Associates, 615-385-0050, for Metropolitan Federal.

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#90331p8683 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of the board of directors of Edison Brothers Stores Inc. (NYSE: EBS), held today, a quarterly dividend of 26 cents per share on the outstanding $1 par value Common Stock was declared payable on Jan. 10, 1991, to holders of record at the close of business on Dec. 20, 1990.

CONTACT: Lee G. Weeks of Edison Brothers Stores Inc., 314-331-6531

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#90331p8684 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - CIGNA Corp. (NYSE: CI) announced today a business strategy for the United Kingdom that would focus on the further development of its British corporate employee risk benefits and health care operations.

As part of the new strategy, the company said it would consider the sale of its principal U.K. individual life insurance and pensions business.

CIGNA would said it consider offers for these interests through the sale of the shares of its U.K. subsidiary, Crusader Insurance plc. The company said it intends to retain Crusader's employee risk benefits and health care operations, which would remain a part of the CIGNA International Financial Services (CIFS) Division. The retained businesses would be marketed through CIGNA (Europe) and CIGNA Life (Europe), or their U.K. affiliates.

Geoffrey Saggers, CIFS senior vice president, Europe, said: "Crusader's individual life insurance and pensions business has performed well. However, CIFS believes that, because of changing fundamentals in the U.K. marketplace, its longer-term U.K. interests would best be developed by concentrating on its strong employee risk benefits and health care capabilities, which is where we have specific strategic advantages and a very solid base of knowledge and skill.

"We're committed to developing innovative employee risk benefits solutions for U.K. and multinational employers, who are becoming increasingly concerned with managing employee risk benefits costs without reducing the quality of their programs.

"In the United States," Saggers noted, "CIGNA has applied significant resources to building its health care business. In fact, CIGNA companies currently are the largest providers of combined group life and health insurance and managed health care in the United States. So this direction tracks very closely with our U.S. strategy."

CIGNA said that this announcement is unrelated to and won't affect other CIGNA U.K. operations, which include property-casualty insurance and investment management.

The CIGNA companies, with assets of more than $60 billion, are leading providers of property and casualty insurance, health care, employee risk benefits, pension and investment management, and related financial services to businesses and individuals worldwide.

CONTACT: Randall Gerber, 215-523-1082, or Michael J. Monroe, 215-761-6133, both of CIGNA

-30- 2612

#90331p8695 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOWNERS GROVE, IL (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - James C. Smith, president and chief executive officer of HealthCare COMPARE Corp. (NASDAQ: HCCC), announced today at the Robertson Stephens Health Care Conference that the company and its wholly owned subsidiary, AFFORDABLE Health Care Concepts, have entered into agreements to provide utilization review (U/R) and PPO services to, among others:

	Services	
	U/R	PPO
National Association of Letter Carriers		X
Pioneer Financial Services	X	
Denny's		X
NutraSweet	X	
Sherwin Williams		X
Bay Area Painters and Tapers	X	
Special Agents Mutual Benefit Association		X

Smith commented that based upon these new agreements and previously announced agreements, he is quite encouraged about the prospects for 1991. Additionally Smith noted that he is very pleased with these new agreements since clients which represent approximately 50 percent of the company's capitated utilization review revenue are now utilizing the company's PPO services.

HealthCare COMPARE Corp. is one of the nation's leading independent managed care/cost management companies. The company provides data analysis, extensive utilization management and provider negotiation services (PPO development and management). Its services are provided to indemnity health care payers as well as alternative delivery systems. The company manages costs and utilization without compromising the quality of care available to health care plan participants.

CONTACT: James Smith, president and CEO, or Joseph Whitters, CFO, of HealthCare COMPARE, 708-719-9000

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#90331p8700 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Allied-Signal Foundation will award a $500,000 grant to the American Diabetes Association to study possible genetic links of type II diabetes.

The funds will be used to initiate inheritance pattern research to accurately identify causes of type II diabetic genes, making possible early diagnosis and treatment.

"We hope that our grant will lead to new avenues of research into this debilitating disease, which strikes nearly 20 percent of those over age 60,"

said Edward L. Hennessy, Jr., chairman and CEO of Allied-Signal Inc. (NYSE: ALD). "By identifying those who are most likely to contract diabetes, we will be better prepared to lessen or prevent its occurrence."

"This generous donation will enable the association to enhance its type II research programs, providing support to investigators committed to diabetes research," said Edward Horton, MD, ADA president.

A $100,000 check, to be accepted tonight by Meredith Baxter-Birney, ADA National Spokesperson, is the first installment of the $500,000 challenge grant. Other identical installments will follow through 1995. ADA will match the $500,000 gift with funds from individuals and private foundations in order to meet Allied-Signal's challenge, bringing the total of this program to $1,000,000 donated.

The grant was made possible through Allied-Signal's Program on Aging, established in 1984, to enrich the lives of older Americans. Since then, Allied-Signal has awarded $4 million for medical research on diseases affecting the elderly.

More than 14 million people have diabetes, a disease in which the body does not produce or respond to insulin, a hormone needed for daily life. The resulting high blood sugar can severely damage the heart, blood vessels, kidneys, nerves, and eyes. If left untreated, diabetes can lead to death.

The American Diabetes Association -- celebrating its 50th Anniversary in 1990 -- is the leading voluntary health organization supporting diabetes research and education. Founded in 1940 as a professional society, the ADA is an internationally recognized organization of affiliates and chapters in over 800 communities that serves all people with diabetes, regardless of age, type of diabetes, or economic condition.

CONTACT: Catherine Campbell, vice president-marketing and public relations, or Cathy Beach, 703-549-1500, of Allied-Signal

-30- 2604

#90331p8701 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Cadillac Motor Car today reported sales of 7,248 units for the mid-November sales period, an 11-percent increase from the same period last year when the division sold 6,630 units.

Model year sales for Cadillac were reported at 36,018 units, a 5.1-percent increase compared to the 1990 model year.

Sales of De Ville/Fleetwood models, America's leading luxury car, were reported at 5,066 units, up 36 percent from last year. Sales of Eldorado were also reported up 3.6 percent from the same period last year.

"We're very encouraged with the initial sales performance of our 1991 models," said John Grettenberger, Cadillac general manager and General Motors vice president.

CONTACT: Vince Muniga of Cadillac, 313-554-5070

-30- 930

#90331p8714 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Flexible Bond Trust, Inc. (AMEX: FLX), a closed-end management investment company seeking total return through investments in income-producing securities with the potential for capital appreciation, today announced that the fund's board of directors has declared a dividend of $0.07 per share from net investment income. The dividend is payable on Dec. 21, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 7, 1990. The ex-dividend date is Dec. 3, 1990.

CONTACT: Frank Maresca, 212-713-2421, for Flexible Bond Trust

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#90331p8719 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA, (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Pep Boys -- Manny, Moe & Jack (NYSE: PBY), the nation's leading automotive aftermarket retail chain, today announced record sales but a decline in earnings for the 13 weeks ended Nov. 3 1990.

OPERATING RESULTS: Third Quarter Sales for the quarter ended Nov. 3, 1990, rose to a record $224,823,000, 9.6 percent greater than the $205,098,000 that was recorded last year. Sales in stores that were open both years increased 1.3 percent.

Earnings for the period were $8,285,000, a 7.6 percent decline from the $8,962,000 that was achieved last year. Earnings per share were $.15, 6.3 percent lower than the $.16 that was recorded last year.

Nine Months Sales for the nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990, rose to a record $672,127,000, 15.3 percent greater than the $583,125,000 recorded last year. Comparable store sales increased 5 percent.

Earnings for the first nine months of the year increased to a record $30,852,000, 15.9 percent greater than the $26,609,000 that was earned last year. Earnings per share were $.55, 14.6 percent greater than the $.48 that was achieved last year.

STORE EXPANSION PROGRAM: Eight new automotive supercenters, all of which include 10 bay service centers, were opened during the third quarter. During

the quarter the company opened its fifth automotive supercenter in Jacksonville, Fla., its third supercenter in Austin, Texas, its fifth supercenter in Salt Lake City, Utah, and its fifth supercenter in Albuquerque, N.M. Three new markets were entered during the quarter when single units were opened in Tulsa, Okla., and Savannah, Ga., and two supercenters were opened in Raleigh, N.C.

At the close of the third quarter, Pep Boys operated 301 units in 17 states. Twelve automotive supercenters, all of which are approximately 23,000 square feet and feature 10 service bays, are expected to open during the balance of the fiscal year.

CONTACT: Michael J. Holden, senior vp-finance and treasurer of Pep Boys, 215-227-9202

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#90331p8723 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HILLSDALE, MI (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Norman F. Rodgers, president and chief executive officer of Hillsdale County National Bank, Hillsdale, and Thomas R. Ricketts, chairman and chief executive officer of Standard Federal Bank (NYSE: SFB), Troy, Mich., announced today that Hillsdale County National Bank and Standard Federal have executed a definitive agreement under the terms of which Standard Federal will sell its branch office and related deposit accounts in Hudson, Mich., to Hillsdale.

The acquisition of this branch office and deposit accounts by Hillsdale County National Bank is subject to approval by the Office of Thrift Supervision, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency. Application for regulatory approval is expected to be made within the next two weeks by Standard Federal and Hillsdale and acted upon within 90 to 120 days thereafter.

Standard Federal Bank, headquartered in Troy, is a $9.48 billion FDIC-insured savings institution with 117 branch offices serving Michigan and Indiana. Standard Federal's concentration of branch offices is in southeastern Michigan where it has 70 offices.

Hillsdale County National Bank is a $100 million independent locally owned banking organization operating continuously since 1934 with five offices currently serving Hillsdale County, including a full-time trust department.

Commenting on the agreement, Ricketts stated, "This sale is part of Standard Federal's ongoing effort to maximize profitability in its branch office network by concentrating efforts in those markets we are most familiar with. The Hudson branch was acquired as part of Standard's Federal's acquisition of Peoples Savings Bank of Monroe, Mich., and is geographically distant from Standard Federal's primary market areas. We feel our customers in Hudson will

be well served by Hillsdale County National Bank following this sale."

Rodgers added, "We are extremely pleased to make this announcement and to offer our full range of financial services to this attractive and growing community in our market area. Hillsdale will not be purchasing loans as part of this transaction except those loans related to the deposit accounts. We are pleased to maintain continuity for all present customers of the Hudson office through planned continuity of existing personnel."

CONTACT: William R. Yaw Jr. of Standard Federal Bank, 313-643-9600, or in Michigan, 800-482-3930, or in Indiana, 800-874-3716.

-30- 2696

#90331p8725 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TUSKEGEE, AL (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - If the United States government decides to construct the X-30 manned research vehicle two years from now, the materials from which it is developed could well have been identified from research studies in Alabama at Tuskegee University.

Officials from the U.S. government and General Dynamics were at Tuskegee University today (Tuesday, Nov. 27) to announce a two-year $810,351 contract award that university professors will use to conduct research on various materials being considered for the National Aero-Space project.

The Tuskegee research proposal was developed in concert with General Dynamics, which will serve as a subcontractor for some components of the composite materials work. General Dynamics is a member of the National Aero-Space Plane National Contractor Team -- McDonnell Douglas, Rockwell, Pratt & Whitney and Rocketdyne.

General Dynamics serves as a mentor to Clarkson Engineering, a minority-owned Houston firm that will also be a subcontractor in the Tuskegee University materials research project.

Powered by hydrogen-fueled supersonic combustion or scramjet engines, the National Aero-Space Plane could begin flight test around 1997 if a decision is made to construct two flight test vehicles and one ground test article in early 1993. The proposed single-stage-to orbit manned research vehicle will take off and land like a conventional aircraft.

Tuskegee professors will focus on identification of composite materials that can sustain operation under significant structural loads at very high temperatures. Materials that evidence short-term high temperature stability and resistance to thermal shocks will also be of special concern to Tuskegee researchers.

The $810,351 grant will make possible the addition of some 12 students to the

20 already involved in materials research at the university. Their research will be directed by Tuskegee professors in aerospace science, chemical, and mechanical engineering.

The government-funded research grant will also enhance the materials research laboratory at Tuskegee University which is already valued at several million dollars. Composite materials research at Tuskegee is funded mostly by the Office of Naval Research, the United States Air Force, NASA, and SDC (the Strategic Defense Command), and exceeds $1.4 million annually.

In addition to Tuskegee University, which has academic programs in aerospace science, chemical, electrical and mechanical engineering, the prestigious list of universities doing government-funded research in connection with development of the X-30 manned research vehicle include, among others: Harvard, Stanford University, University of Texas, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, and Carnegie-Mellon University.

CONTACT: J.J. Johnson III of Tuskegee University, 205-727-8501.

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#90331p8736 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Value Merchants, Inc. (NASDAQ: VLMR), Milwaukee-based operator of over 100 Toy Liquidators, close-out toy retail outlets and over 100 Everything's A $1.00 close-out variety retail outlets nationwide, and a major national toy wholesaler, announced today that operations for the third quarter (12 weeks) of fiscal 1991, ended Nov. 10, 1990, resulted in a net profit of $909,000, or $0.15 per share, compared to a net profit of $925,000, or $0.20 per share, in the comparable period of fiscal 1990. Net sales for the period were $32,865,000, compared to $16,402,000 reported for the same period last year.

Revenues for the 40-week period ended Nov. 10, 1990, were $81,520,000, compared to revenues of $39,561,000 in the comparable period of fiscal 1990. The company reported net income of $531,000, or $0.09 per share, compared to net income of $1,006,000, or $0.21 per share, for the comparable nine-month period in fiscal 1990.

Value Merchants said that its increase in net sales reflects the acquisition of Everything's A Dollar, Inc. in December 1989 and the continual expansion of the Toy Liquidators and Everything's A $1.00 stores. Since the beginning of fiscal 1991, the company has opened 26 Toy Liquidators stores, giving it 102 stores nationwide, and 40 Everything's A $1.00 stores, giving it a total of 101 stores.

The company reported that its Toy Liquidators comparable same store sales declined 6 percent in the third quarter, which converted the previous year-to-date increase to a decrease of 1.5 percent. However, the company

indicated that for the first 16 days of the fourth quarter, comparable same store sales have increased 6 percent. The company also reported that its Everything's A $1.00 (EAD) same store sales increased 10 percent for the third quarter and 23 percent year-to-date. Also, EAD stores opened in fiscal 1991 are averaging about 60 percent higher sales per day than the older stores. The company's third quarter operating results have been impacted by the decline in consumer spending as a result of their diminishing confidence in a sustained, healthy economy and the Mideast crisis.

Value Merchants also indicated that its decline in net income is primarily attributable to a decrease in wholesale sales and losses to date for the Everything's A $1.00 operations. Everything's A $1.00 was profitable for the last four week period of the third quarter, but operated at a loss for the third quarter and year-to-date. Everything's A $1.00 sales for the 12-week fourth quarter period is expected to be approximately 44 percent of their annual sales and accordingly, it is expected Everything's A $1.00 will contribute significant income for both the fourth quarter and all of the fiscal year.

Value Merchants, Inc. is a publicly owned company whose stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol VLMR.

CONTACT: Steven J. Appel or Ronald E. Skelton, 414-274-2575, both of Value Merchants, Inc.

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#90331p8744 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Lomas Financial Corp. (NYSE: LFC) announced today that it has completed the sale of its life insurance group to an affiliate of Conseco Inc. (NYSE: CNC) for approximately $140 million in cash and $25 million principal amount of junior debt securities.

As previously announced, Lomas will retain approximately $15 million of real estate formerly owned by its life insurance subsidiaries.

The life insurance group includes Jefferson National Life Insurance Co., Indianapolis, Ind.; Union Life Insurance Co., Little Rock, Ark. and First Continental Life & Accident Insurance Co., Salt Lake City, Utah. In the first nine months of 1990, the group had total revenues and premiums collected of approximately $200 million; total assets at Sept. 30, 1990 were approximately $1 billion.

Lomas' life insurance companies were not included in its September 1989 Chapter 11 filing. However, the sale was approved by the United States Bankruptcy Court.

CONTACT: Michael Sitrick, Steve Stern, Ross Palmer, all of SITRICK AND

COMPANY, 213-208-1108.

-30- 1237
#90331p8752 11/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $1.00/bbl was effective today, Tuesday, Nov. 27, at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$31.75 for West Texas Intermediate $29.75 for West Texas Sour $32.25 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E72. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

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#90331t2519 11/27/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (NOV. 27) TASS - SOVIET DEFENCE MINISTER MARSHALL DMITRY YAZOV MET VISITING U.S. ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF GENERAL CARL VUONO HERE TODAY TO DISCUSS SOVIET-AMERICAN MILITARY RELATIONS.

ALSO PRESENT AT THE MEETING WERE CHIEF OF SOVIET GROUND FORCES ARMY GENERAL VALENTIN VARENNIKOV AND U.S. AMBASSADOR TO THE SOVIET UNION JACK MATLOCK.

"WE BASE OUR COOPERATION ON UNDERSTANDING, COOPERATION AND FRIENDSHIP," VUONO TOLD TASS AFTER THE TALKS.

"WE ARE SATISFIED BY THE CONSTRUCTIVE CHARACTER OF OUR TALKS IN THE SOVIET CAPITAL," HE SAID, ADDING THAT THE CONTACTS BEGAN TWO YEARS AGO AND HAD GOOD PROSPECTS.

LATER IN THE DAY VUONO VISITED THE TAMAN MOTORISED RIFLE DIVISION NEAR MOSCOW, WHERE HE MET SOVIET SOLDIERS AND SAW THEIR COMBAT EXERCISES AND WEAPONS.

THE U.S. GENERAL ALSO TOURED THE SOVIET GENERAL STAFF MILITARY ACADEMY THAT TRAINS SENIOR OFFICERS FOR THE SOVIET ARMY.

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#90331t2526 11/27/1990 ~ts
VIENNA (NOV. 27) TASS - AUSTRIA WILL PROVIDE THE SOVIET UNION WITH LARGE-SCALE SUPPLIES OF GRAIN, MEAT AND OTHER FOODSTUFFS, CHANCELLOR FRANZ VRANITZKY TOLD

REPORTERS TODAY AFTER A CABINET MEETING.

HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT WAS ALLOCATING 100 MILLION AUSTRIAN SCHILLINGS FOR THIS PURPOSE. AID WOULD ALSO INCLUDE CHARITY FOOD PACKAGES.

VRANITZKY SAID THIS AID SHOULD BE CONSIDERED "WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE EUROPEAN SUMMIT IN PARIS", IN THE COURSE OF WHICH IT BECAME OBVIOUS THAT EASTERN EUROPE NEEDED ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND POLITICAL STABILISATION.

THE CHANCELLOR CALLED FOR STEPPING UP NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

THE SOVIET AID OPERATION WILL INVOLVE THE AUSTRIAN MINISTRIES OF FINANCE, ECONOMY, AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY, TRANSPORT AND NATIONALISED INDUSTRY.

FOOD AID IS PLANNED TO BE SENT IN CLOSE COOPERATION WITH SOVIET AUTHORITIES.

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#90331u0048 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - The New York Rangers outscored Buffalo by five goals and still lost.

Jan Erixon, the Rangers' best defensive forward and a player who had shown increased offensive creativity this season, suffered a knee injury in the first period of New York's 5-0 victory over the Sabres Monday night.

Erixon sustained a Grade B sprain of the medial collateral ligament in his right knee and is to be sidelined for four weeks, the team said.

With defenseman Mark Hardy facing a five-game suspension and defenseman Randy Moller out with a shoulder dislocation, the Rangers will need depth to remain in contention for the league's best defensive record.

''He's probably the best checking winger in the league,'' Ranger forward Brian Mullen said of Erixon.

Former Sabre Ray Sheppard scored two goals and John Vanbiesbrouck collected his third shutout of the season, helping the Rangers extend their unbeaten streak to 10.

Sheppard scored once in a three-goal first period and capped the night with a tuck-in at 18:52 of the final period. Vanbiesbrouck withstood a two-man disadvantage for 1:11 of the second period. He stopped 27 shots, including one from the slot with four seconds remaining.

''Every time I get excited about our hockey team we put on a game like this,'' said Rick Dudley, the Sabres' coach. ''The last three games we played

exceptional.

''We had two meetings today. We discussed what we had to do then we didn't do it. We became individuals as soon as we got behind.''

''It seems every time we got something going they countered it,'' added Mike Foligno, the Sabres' captain.

With five wins and five ties in their last 10 games, the Rangers have assembled their longest unbeaten streak since 1974. The franchise record is 19 set in 1939-40.

New York took a 3-0 lead in the first period. John Ogrodnick took Mullen's feed behind the defense, then outwaited goalie Clint Malarchuk for his 14th goal.

At 16:31, Kevin Miller skated down the left side, put a spin on defenseman Uwe Krupp, and fed Sheppard for a wrist shot from the slot. It was Sheppard's ninth goal of the season.

Just 1:52 later, Mullen intercepted a clearing pass and relayed to Bernie Nicholls, who beat Malarchuk from in front.

Erixon sustained the injury when defenseman Mike Ramsey hit him while attempting an open-ice check. Rangers Coach Roger Neilson said Ramsey kneed Erixon.

''He was trying for a hip check, and he got his knee in on it,'' Neilson said. ''It wasn't really obvious. We jumped (referee Ron) Hoggarth and said it was kneeing.''

Neilson said that Erixon's absence would bring center Mark Janssens back into the lineup. He said either Jody Hull or Paul Broten would take Erixon's place on the wing.

Kelly Kisio made it 4-0 at 5:24 of the second period with his second goal of the season. He eluded a defender and beat Malarchuk one-on-one.

Sheppard capped the scoring by banging in a cross-crease pass from Troy Mallette on a two-on-none.

New York closed its season series with the Sabres with two wins and a tie. The Rangers have beaten Buffalo only twice in their last 12 matches.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - Margaret Thatcher's protege has been elected Britain's new

prime minister. 47-year-old Chancellor John Major tomorrow will become Britain's youngest prime minister this century. Major has pledged to unify the badly divided Conservative Party.

Some members of the Senate want to stall military action against Iraq in favor of continued economic sanctions. Massachusetts Senator Edward Kennedy has said ''If ever there was a case for giving peace a chance, this is it.''

In another development, a published report says the White House had lined up the votes it needs in the U-N Security Council to pass a resolution authorizing force against Iraq. The Washington Post says the council's five permanent members appear to have agreed on the issue.

Meanwhile, Kuwait has asked the United Nations to take custody of the emirate's civil records for future litigation against Iraq. A delegation of Kuwaiti refugees told a U-N Security Council session today that Iraq is systematically destroying their country.

Economists say the nation's economy is in a ''mild'' recession. But they say the downturn should last only through the middle of next year. One economist predicts that oil prices will come down over the next year and that will diminish the negative impact on the economy.

In other economic news, the Commerce Department said today that the U-S merchandise trade deficit increased to 29-point-eight BILLION dollars during the third quarter. The red ink was was the largest since the third quarter of last year.

Consumer confidence has dropped again. The Conference Board says consumer confidence edged down in November following October's record decline. The index stood at 61-point-five, down from 115-point-one one year ago and down from 62-point-sixe in October.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the Bush administration is optimistic the U-N Security Council will authorize military force against Iraq.The United States asked the Security Council to set a January 1st deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait before force is used. But diplomats say the Soviet Union and France want to give Iraq even more time.

Japan is ending its ban on medical shipments imposed after Iraq invaded Kuwait more than three months ago. Japanese Foreign Ministry officials say Tokyo will send two-Million dollars worth of medical supplies to Iraq, which Baghdad has already paid for and has been asking for since September.

Bulgarians unhappy with the pace of government reforms have joined in a

nationwide strike to hamper industry and public transportation and force the resignation of Prime Minister Andrei Loukanov. Strike organizers Monday claimed several hundred thousand Bulgarians joined in the action.

Czechoslovakia's once all-powerful Communist Party made surprising gains in local government elections held Friday and Saturday. New returns show the Communists took several percentage points more than their results in last June's parliamentary elections. Communists won 13- point-six percent of the vote in Slovakia and 17-point-four percent of the vote in the Czech lands.

British Prime Minister Thatcher continued a round of farewells to friends and acquaintances on the eve of Tuesday's leadership vote. Her handpicked successor, Chancellor John Major, her nemesis Michael Heseltine and Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd each are expressing optimism Major would be the next prime minister of Britain.

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MONTERREY, Mexico (NOV. 27) UPI - Cheered by a crowd estimated at 250,000 people, President Bush and Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari called for a new era of neighborly cooperation between their two countries.

''Salinas, Bush - solidarity,'' the flag-waving crowd chanted Monday at the Macro Plaza in Monterrey, an industrial city in northeastern Mexico.

''Muchas gracias,'' boomed Bush, drawing thunderous applause. ''Viva Mexico!''

Salinas welcomed Bush and said, ''your arrival expresses the friendship and respect which guide our new relations.''

The presidents complete a two-day summit Tuesday on a variety of topics, ranging from the war on drugs and efforts to protect the environment to border violence and a drive to develop a U.S.-Mexican free-trade agreement.

Bush, who has made the trade accord a top priority, was also to confer with Mexican and American business leaders before returning to Washington.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce predicts that the current $52 billion in annual U.S.-Mexican trade could more than double under a free trade agreement that lifts tariffs and quotas.

But the AFL-CIO is already preparing to oppose such a pact, saying competition from low-paid labor in Mexico could destroy American jobs and reduce U.S. wages.

The administration rejects such fears as unfounded and maintains it will seek a trade agreement that generates good jobs on both sides of the border.

Formal negotiations are to begin next year.

Salinas, a 42-year-old Harvard educated economist, has been a reformer during his two years as president.

He has attacked corruption, reduced tarrifs and sought to patch over past border differences with the United States in such sensitive areas as drug fighting, border control and a Mexican fear of Yankee exploitation.

Salinas and Bush conferred Monday in Mexican president's hometown of Agualeguas, 80 miles northeast of Monterrey, after attending a folk dance and rodeo in the small village.

At about dusk, they arrived together in Monterrey, where they were greeted by tens of thousands of people who lined streets and showered their motorcade with red, white, blue and green confetti.

The crowd filled the giant Macro Plaza and stretched for blocks in nearly ever direction. Salinas' chief of protocol estimated the gathering at 250,000.

Flanked by Salinas and standing behind bullet-proff glass, Bush praised the Mexican leader as an ''architect of breathtaking economic transformation.''

Bush told the crowd: ''I've come to Mexico tonight with a message of respect, of admiration and hope for a brighter future shared by our two countries.''

Seeking to brush aside past differences, Bush said, ''With candor and mutual respect ... let us cross over into a new era of shared progress and prosperity for a stronger Mexico and a stronger United States, and a better world.''

Salinas said, ''Our new relationship as neighbors provides more benefits to our people and greater to strength to our nations. We are determined to show that the new currents toward freedom, tolerance and cooperation between Mexico and the United States can be permanently beneficial.''

Bush and Salinas first agreed to seek a free trade agreement during their meeting in Washington last June.

Salinas views free trade as a way to stimulate his nation's economy with new jobs and investment. But he also says he wants to exempt Mexican oil from any free trade agreement.

''The oil is the property of the Mexican government,'' Salinas said in the current edition of Newsweek Magazine. ''It will stay that way.''

Critics of the Mexican leader, however, are not convinced. They are afraid Salinas will compromise away some oil rights in an effort to become a bigger

trading partner with the United States.

Bush, in a recent interview with Mexico's official news agency, said, ''Although I recognize Mexico's determination to control its own resources, I am convinced there are important areas in which we could work together and which could be mutually advantageous for investment and exploration of oil and natural gas.''

The United States already buys more than 50 percent of Mexico's petroleum exports. In September, Mexico increased its shipments to the United States by 100,000 barrels a day in response to the shortages caused by the Persian Gulf crisis.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Monday that Bush and Salinas would likely not discuss oil this week, leaving the volatile issue to aides in later more detailed discussions.

Fitzwater also said the United States is encouraged by the progress that has been made thus far in informal talks on the trade pact and said U.S. Trade Ambassador Carla Hills ''thinks it's on track.''

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SEATTLE (NOV. 27) UPI - Three counties in western Washington were declared federal disaster areas Monday in the wake of widespread flooding that caused an estimated $42 million in damage before a second surge of water added to the misery over the holiday weekend.

Carl Suchocki, a spokesman for the Federal Emergency Management Administration in Washington, D.C., said Monday that Scagit, Whatcom and Snohomish counties were declared disaster areas by President Bush and that other counties could be added to the list after damage surveys are completed.

The declaration clears the way for federal help in obtaining temporary housing grants and loans to affected individuals and businesses.

Gov. Booth Gardner has asked that 10 additional counties be added to the list in the wake of the second wave of flooding over the Thanksgiving weekend.

Rivers swollen by torrential rains began receding Monday as commuters weathered the loss of a major interstate bridge, dairy farmers discovered entire herds lost and residents began returning to flooded homes.

No official damage estimates were available, but losses were expected to reach into the tens of millions of dollars. Flooding two weeks earlier already caused $42 million in damage to homes, businesses, roads and other public facilities.

Already prior to Thanksgiving, 57 homes were wiped out, 400 more were heavily damaged and another 400 received minor damage in flodding Nov. 9-12. Officials said damage from the second wave would likely be higher.

More than a dozen rivers overflowed their banks and several thousand people were forced to scramble for higher ground. One man caught by the floodwaters of the Snoqualmie River near Duvall was presumed drowned.

By Monday morning, the waters in most areas of western Washington were slowly ''starting to go down,'' Mark Stewart, a spokesman for the state Division of Emergency Services, said.

''Some folks who live on higher ground are starting to go home. Those in lower areas haven't been able to,'' Stewart said.

Meanwhile, Rep. Norm Dicks, D-Wash., said he had received assurances from federal transportation officials for up to $100 million in emergency funds for the old Interstate 90 floating bridge that sank in Lake Washington.

The old four-lane bridge, closed in 1989 after the new seven-lane parallel I-90 floating span opened, sank when water flooded hatches cut into the sides of bridge sections by contractors doing resurfacing work on the bridge. Four workers jumped onto a waiting barge at the last moment before six of 25 pontoons went down.

The Lacey V. Murrow Bridge - the nation's first concrete floating span when it opened in 1940 - had been scheduled to reopen in 1992 to complete the Seattle-Bellevue link, the final project of the Boston- Seattle interstate.

Dicks said it was possible that federal funds could help replace the span by 1992.

But for the short term, a commuter nightware was in progress because the new parallel bridge also was closed. Divers confirmed Monday that 13 cables anchoring the new bridge were severed and another heavily damaged by the sunken pontoons from the old bridge.

As winds began to pick up Monday evening, four tugboats attached lines to the bridge and steamed into the wind, hoping to hold the new bridge in place.

The bridge disaster was only the most spectacular of dozens and dozens of flood calamities, which included helicopter rescues, collapsed dikes, stranded trains, washed-out bridges and roads, an overturned river barge and massive, all-night sandbagging efforts by citizens protecting their towns.

One of the many hard-hit areas was the Snoqualmie Valley, east of Seattle, where dairy farmers Monday found herds of cattle lost while some minor looting

was reported in a nearby town.

''My major concern is for the thousands of families that are out of their homes, have lost their cars and are trying to put their lives back together,'' Gardner said.

''With the National Guard, the Salvation Army, the U.S. Forest Service, the Red Cross and just ordinary Washington citizens helping, we're making great progress, but we have a lot of work to do,'' Gardner said.

Rail service over the mountains has been a problem since Friday, when parts of the main Burlington-Northern link through Stevens Pass began washing out.

Burlington-Northern spokesman Howard Kallio said there were six or seven washouts on the line and crews were checking whether a major trestle in Cashmere on the east side had shifted three feet off its foundation.

All trans-mountain freight trains were being detoured south to Vancouver, Wash., and east to the Tri-Cities. Callio said the main line would be shut down for at least a week.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - President Bush and Mexican President Salinas complete a two-day summit Tuesday in Mexico. Talks between the two leaders were expected to center on a variety of topics, ranging from the war on drugs and efforts to protect the environment to border violence to a drive to develop a U-S-Mexican free-trade agreement. Bush and Salinas were cheered Monday by a crowd estimated at 250-thousand in Monterrey. The two leaders called for a new era of neighborly cooperation.

The Justice Department says President Bush has a right to send U-S forces to the Middle East. Responding to a lawsuit challenging Bush's authority, the government said that the issue is political and NOT a matter for courts to decide. The government was answering a suit filed by 45 Democratic congressmen seeking to block the president from launching a war with Iraq without first getting consent from Congress.

Flood waters are going down in western Washington state after a weekend of widespread flooding. President Bush declared three counties federal disaster areas. The flooding had already caused an estimated 42- Million dollars in damage before a second surge of water added to the misery over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend. Officials say that other counties could be added to the list of disaster areas after damage surveys are completed.

More testimony will be heard Tuesday before a Senate panel examining the activities of the so-called Keating Five senators. The former chairman of the

Federal Home Loan Bank Board said Monday that meetings held with bank regulators in 1987 capped a campaign of ''private threats and public vilification'' aimed at gutting federal oversight of the thrift industry. Edwin Gray is a key figure in the case against the five senators.

The Justice Department says it collected more than 250-Million dollars in the past year from companies that defrauded the government. The department says the fraud directed at the Defense Department made up a large part of the cases. That included a 34-Million-dollar settlement last December in a case brought against a bid-rigging cartel in Japan. The military charged that construction costs of a U-S Navy facility in Yokosuka were inflated by 25 percent.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 27) UPI - Houston's run-and-shoot finally lived up to its name. Warren Moon threw two touchdown passes and Lorenzo White accounted for 214 yards total offense and one score Monday night, leading the Oilers to a 27-24 victory over Buffalo and ending the Bills' eight-game win streak.

Teddy Garcia added two field goals for the Oilers, 6-5, who moved into a three-way tie for first place in the AFC Central with Cincinnati and Pittsburgh.

Jim Kelly threw two scoring passes, Thurman Thomas scored once and Scott Norwood added a field goal for the Bills, 9-2.

The victory by Houston completed a weekend in which every division leader was beaten. Buffalo is now tied with Miami for first place in the AFC East.

Entering Monday's game, the Oilers lead the league in nearly every passing category, but had not had a 100-yard rusher this season and only twice had managed 100 yards rushing as a team.

White, though, exploded for a career-high 125 yards on 18 carries and caught five passes for 89 yards. It was the first 100-yard rushing day for Houston since White gained 115 against Pittsburgh last December.

''It all starts with the line,'' said White. ''The holes were there. I just tried to run hard, then it was just me and the linebackers. Once I got into the secondary, I was by myself.''

White's performance was even more significant in that he ran most of the his plays over Buffalo's All-Pro defensive end Bruce Smith. The added dimension of an effective running game made Moon more potent. He completed 16 of 22 passes for 300 yards and no interceptions. It was his fourth straight 300-yard passing game, which tied an AFC record.

''The way we were moving the ball tonight I could be selective on passing,'' said Moon. ''Lorenzo knew he was going to be called tonight. The way they (Bills) were lined up, we knew we had to run.''

Oilers Coach Jack Pardee agreed.

''When they play with five guys up front and six back, we'd better be able to run the ball,'' Pardee said. ''They were moving Smith around a lot and (tackle Don) Maggs did a good job on him.''

Kelly's two touchdown passes, both to tight ends, gave Buffalo a 14- 13 halftime lead. Houston blew two potential touchdown opportunities because of penalties - one erased a touchdown run - and settled for two field goals.

Buffalo opened the second half with Norwood's 43-yard field goal for a 17-13 lead, but Houston came back with 14 straight points.

''Their running game hurt us,'' said Buffalo Coach Marv Levy. ''I fear it as much in this offense as I do the passing game. Warren made a couple of big plays under duress and under a heavy rush. They had us confused all night.''

Moon hit Drew Hill for two 15-yard gains, then fired a 43-yarder to Hill to the Buffalo 1. White scored on the next play to give Houston a 20-17 lead late in the third quarter.

Houston regained possession and Moon's gutsy 2-yard sneak on fourth- and-1 to the Bills 40 sparked another score. He hit White for a 28-yard gain and on third-and-goal, fired a 3-yard scoring pass to Leonard Harris, giving Houston a 27-17 lead with 7:21 left.

Kelly countered with passes to Don Smith for 54 yards, setting up a 2-yard scoring run by Thomas with 3:29 left. The Oilers converted two third-down plays and ran out the clock.

''We took a step forward tonight,'' said Kelly, who completed 23 of 34 for 224 yards and one interception. ''We didn't win, but we came here and played hard and we played as a team, and that's a plus.''

Houston scored on the game's opening possession. White's 22-yard reception and three rushes for 20 yards set up Moon's 37-yard scoring strike to Haywood Jeffries, who beat defender John Hagy.

Buffalo came back with a 75-yard, 15-play drive that consumed 9:11. A pass interference penalty on defender Richard Johnson moved the ball to the Houston 29, and a facemask penalty after a 5-yard reception by Andre Reed put the ball at the 4. Smith was stopped by Bubba McDowell on third-and-goal. Kelly called a play-action fake and hit Pete Metzelaars for the touchdown with 2:31 left in

the first quarter.

White's 22-yard run and a 20-yard catch by Ernest Givins put Houston on the Buffalo 3. White then ran for an apparent TD on first-and-goal, but a holding penalty on center Jay Pennison wiped out the score and the Oilers had to settle for Garcia's 25-yard field goal and 10-7 lead early in the second quarter.

Buffalo recovered a Houston fumble, but Kelly gave the ball back when he overthrew Keith McKeller and Terry Kinnard intercepted, returning the ball 26 yards to the Houston 33.

White's 16-yard run and 29-yard reception helped move the ball to the Bills 11 but a false start and 2-yard loss on a reverse forced Houston to again call on Garcia and he hit a 36-yard field goal with 3:07 left before halftime.

Kelly rallied the Bills, completing six of eight passes for 67 yards, including a 12-yard TD pass to McKeller 40 seconds before halftime to give Buffalo a 14-13 lead.

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(NOV. 27) - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
EAST								
Buffalo	9	2	0	.818	312	177	5-1	L-1
Miami	9	2	0	.818	232	122	6-0	W-1
Indianapolis	5	6	0	.455	176	230	2-3	W-3
New York Jets	4	8	0	.333	199	257	1-5	L-3
New England	1	10	0	.090	144	305	1-6	W-1
CENTRAL								
Cincinnati	6	5	0	.545	259	262	2-1	L-1
Pittsburgh	6	5	0	.545	198	181	1-2	W-1
Houston	6	5	0	.545	256	216	2-1	W-2
Cleveland	2	9	0	.182	164	300	1-2	L-6
WEST								
Kansas City	7	4	0	.636	246	172	3-3	W-2
LA Raiders	7	4	0	.636	207	174	4-2	L-1
Seattle	5	6	0	.455	209	216	3-4	W-1
San Diego	5	7	0	.417	234	203	2-3	L-2
Denver	3	8	0	.300	237	280	2-2	L-4

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
EAST								
New York Giants	10	1	0	.909	259	141	6-1	L-1
Philadelphia	7	4	0	.636	282	222	3-3	W-5
Washington	6	5	0	.545	247	213	4-4	L-1
Dallas	5	7	0	.417	176	242	1-5	W-2
Phoenix	3	8	0	.273	172	278	2-3	W-1
CENTRAL								
Chicago	9	2	0	.818	258	180	4-1	L-1
Green Bay	6	5	0	.545	220	227	2-3	W-3
Minnesota	5	6	0	.455	259	222	2-4	W-4
Detroit	4	7	0	.364	253	274	1-4	W-1
Tampa Bay	4	8	0	.333	187	294	4-2	L-6
WEST								
San Francisco	10	1	0	.909	270	179	3-1	L-1
New Orleans	5	6	0	.455	198	202	1-2	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	4	7	0	.364	247	299	2-0	W-1
Atlanta	3	8	0	.273	265	285	1-4	L-4

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(NOV. 27) - TUESDAY'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL RESULTS:

EAST

Bloomfield 68, Caldwell 61
Furman 113, Erskine 91
Geo. Washington 84, St. Josephs, Pa. 74
Hamilton 88, Binghamton 65
Le Moyne 74, St. John Fisher 66
Messiah 59, Lycoming 57
Morehead St. 77, Maryland, E. Shore 71
Navy 116, St. Marys 98
Niagara 94, St. Bonaventure 73
Pittsburgh 88, Cornell 64
Vermont 113, Middlebury 71
Villanova 92, Drexel 71
Westfield St. 99, Trinity 91
Wheeling Jesuit 97, Shepherd 88

SOUTH

Auburn 83, Georgia St. 65
Clemson 96, Samford 56
Cumberland 66, Union (Ky.) 60 (OT)

Duke 125, East Carolina 82
E. Tennessee St. 105, George Mason 82
Florida Intl. 88, Stetson 84
LSU 117, S.E. Louisiana 68
Lamar 95, Fullerton St. 86
Longwood 72, Virginia Wesleyan 67 Maryland 93, Towson St. 69
Middle Tenn. St. 97, Kennesaw 77
Miss. Valley St. 93, S. New Orleans 84
Mississippi College 118, Baptist Christian 76
Mississippi St. 109, Tennessee Tech 76
N. Carolina, Wilmington 75, Campbell 62
Otterbein 67, Muskingum 58
Radford 80, St. John'S (Minn.) 62 The Citadel 79, Savannah St. 75
Tulane 93, Nicholls St. 70
VMI 91, Bluefield 76
Vanderbilt 103, N. Carolina, Asheville 66
W. Carolina 87, St. Andrews 82
Winthrop 57, Charleston SC 64

MIDWEST
Bowling Green 116, Heidelberg 80
Butler 93, Indiana St. 96 (OT)
Centenary 93, Northwestern St. 82
Indiana St. 93, Butler 92 (OT)
Ohio 75, Evansville 68
Purdue 64, Massachusetts 53
Wisconsin, Mil. 72, Tennessee, Chat. 69
Xavier, Oh. 82, Bethune Cookman 56

SOUTHWEST
Arkansas, Little Rock 69, Arkansas St. 66
Houston 84, Stephen Austin 50
Oklahoma 114, St. Josephs, Ind. 75
Rice 77, Colorado 68
SW Texas St. 101, Incarnate Word 83
TCU 66, San Jose St. 49
Texas El Paso 80, Midwestern St. 50
Texas, San Ant. 96, Texas, Pan Am 78

WEST
Air Force 71, Regis College 66
Arizona 90, W. Illinois 51
Colorado St. 79, Marshall 49
E. Washington 91, Portland 83
Long Beach St. 84, Chicago St. 81
New Mexico St. 120, Northridge St. 62
UCLA 89, Virginia 74
Utah 68, Seattle Pacific 41

Weber St. 92, S. Utah 88

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (NOV. 27) UPI - Black tribal factions fought running battles with clubs, machetes and firearms overnight, killing at least 10 people in the troubled eastern Katlehong township, police said Tuesday.

Police found 10 bodies near the township's Mandela Park squatter camp around dawn, spokeswoman Capt. Ida van Zweel said. ''There are possibly still more ... some were found almost hidden under bushes or cars,'' she noted.

Van Zweel said one of the victims died of gunshot wounds and the others were hacked, stabbed or clubbed to death. ''It looks like a number of separate battles were fought.''

Police described the fighting as tribal, between Zulus and Xhosas.

The last heavy fighting in the area was on Nov. 19, when factional clashes killed up to 28 people in Katlehong's Zonkezizwe squatter camp.

Police have described the latest surge of internecine strife as the worst in Katlehong since predominantly Xhosa supporters of the African National Congress and Zulus of the Inkatha Freedom Party clashed in townships surrounding Johannesburg over a six-week period to mid- September.

Some 800 people died in the earlier clashes, the worst outbreak of urban violence in the country's history. The bloodshed ended after authorities imposed tough emergency measures.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I brings the latest news...

A published report says the five permanent members of the U-N Security Council appear to agree on a U-N resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq. But the report says the only sticking point is whether the resolution should set a deadline of January 1st or January 15th for Iraq to get out of Kuwait.

President Bush completes a two-day summit in Mexico today. Bush's talks with Mexican President Salinas have centered on a variety of topics, from the war on drugs to border violence. But Bush has made a free trade accord with Mexico a top priority. Bush is to confer with Mexican and U-S business leaders before returning to Washington tonight.

Soviet President Gorbachev reportedly is vowing to use all means within his power to keep the Baltic republics in the Soviet Union. An influential Latvian deputy says an angry Gorbachev also warned of repressive measures that could bring bloodshed if the republics continue to defy Moscow.

Firefighters have gained the upper hand on wildfires raging in Montana and Colorado, thanks to winter snows and plunging temperatures. With snow falling over central Montana, a 32-thousand-acre fire in the Lewis and Clark National Forest was 90 percent contained. And a fire that destroyed 10 high-priced residences near Boulder was all but out, with a few hot spots remaining.

In Denver, crews still are trying to stop the spread of an inferno raging for two days in a jet-fuel storage tank near Stapleton International Airport. Officials say the blaze in an 800-thousand-gallon tank may burn itself out by tomorrow afternoon. Firefighters have been pouring water and fire-retardant foam on the flames and nearby tanks to keep them cool.

Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos says colleges and universities must cut costs so they can reduce tuition. College tuition has risen much faster than the rate of inflation. Cavazos says between 1975 and 1987, inflation-adjusted tuition grew 28 percent at public colleges and 44 percent at private colleges.

U-S officials in Panama say the Panamanian and U-S governments have agreed to end their joint police patrols in the country. The officials say American troops who have worked with Panamanian police since the U-S invasion last year will be withdrawn in December. Critics say the U-S military presence in Panama violates the country's sovereignty. .

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#90331u0224 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon (NOV. 27) UPI - Relatives and friends of British hostage John McCarthy marked his 34th birthday by addressing messages of support to the captive via a Lebanese newspaper, widely distributed in mainly- Moslem areas.

The daily newspaper As-Safir Tuesday published a list of brief statements by friends of McCarthy and his fiancee, Jill Morrel, who have relentlessly campaigned to win his freedom.

''See you for Christmas, so hurry it up,'' said a friend of McCarthy, named Nigel.

McCarthy was en route to Beirut airport April 17, 1986, after completing a 32-day assignment in Lebanon with Worldwide Television News when he was snatched by gunmen.

His family and friends had reported that the only reliable news they received of him was when a group of French hostages released in May 1988 said he was

alive.

Since his disappearance, Morrel, with whom he planned to buy an apartment in London, and his family have fought for his freedom.

Morrel in her statement published by As-Safir sought to boost his morale, saying in part ''I am praying it will not be long. Love as always.''

McCarthy is believed held along with 11 other foreign citizens in Lebanon.

He had fallen victim of a wave of anti-Western abductions by pro- Iranian zealots that broke out in 1984.

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#90331u0281 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 27) UPI - Japan will send nearly $2 million worth of medical supplies to Iraq, ending a ban on such shipments imposed after the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, Foreign Ministry officials said Tuesday.

Meanwhile, Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party has invited Iraqi legislators to Tokyo next month to discuss a peaceful resolution of the Gulf crisis, ministry officials confirmed.

The decision to allow Japanese companies to ship the medical supplies - for which Iraq has already paid $1.9 million - came in response to requests from Iraq going back to September, said Taizo Watanabe, chief spokesman for the Foreign Ministry.

''The offer of medical goods is based on purely humanitarian motives, '' Watanabe said.

Supplying medicine for humanitarian purposes falls under an exception to the United Nations mandatory sanctions against Iraq.

''We formed our own interpretation of U.N. resolutions,'' Watanabe said.

Japan has informed the United Nations and its allies of its move, he added.

He denied any government connection with the invitation to Iraqi lawmakers.

The timing of the two announcements was purely coincidental, said another Foreign Ministry official on condition on anonymity.

Nevertheless, Japan's unilateral action, combined with the invitations, is bound to anger some of its allies, especially the United States.

The Bush administration is trying to win authorization for military action

against Iraq if it refuses to withdraw from Kuwait.

Western officials have discounted Iraqi claims of medical shortages, noting that Iraq stripped Kuwaiti hospitals bare.

The invitation to Iraqi legislators to visit Tokyo in mid-December represents the first by any government since Iraq invaded Kuwait.

Liberal Democratic Party officials would not confirm the initiative, but Japanese media quoted party sources as saying it was intended to find a way to free the 233 Japanese civilians who remain trapped in Iraq.

The move follows a visit to Baghdad earlier this month by former Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone in which he obtained the freedom of 74 Japanese hostages.

On his return, Nakasone said he had promised nothing in return, but some Japanese media speculated that the invitations were issued during his visit.

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#90331u0473 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (NOV. 27) UPI - A senior aide to Chancellor Helmut Kohl flew to Moscow Tuesday to discuss the logistics of distributing German food donations to help the Soviet Union.

Horst Teltschik, Kohl's adviser on East-West affairs, headed a 12- person delegation of German government experts on the two-day visit.

''We want to make sure that the goods ... do get to those they are destined for and do not end on the black market,'' Teltschik said in an interview with German television before his departure.

The Soviet Union has raised the issue of food assistance in recent weeks, saying it would ease the burden of economic restructuring in the country. Despite a bumper grain crop, there have been reports of spotty shortages of some foods, apparently due to shipping and economic dislocations.

Teltschik said his delegation will examine the logistics of transporting food donations from Germany to the areas where they are most needed.

The fact that Teltschik heads the delegation is widely seen as a signal of the personal interest Kohl has taken in the massive food relief operations being planned by the German government, private firms and humanitarian organizations.

Kohl and Gorbachev had discussed the question of emergency food donations earlier this month when the Soviet leader visited Germany, and the German chancellor has taken up the issue as part of his campaign leading to Dec. 2

elections.

On Monday Kohl urged industrialists to participate in the relief effort which he said will be the first test of the new Soviet-German relationship - established after Gorbachev gave the green light for the Oct. 3 reunification of East and West Germany.

Numerous humanitarian and media organizations have called for the private donations.

Officials in Bonn are considering setting up a major air-bridge to the Soviet Union to transport some of the food, which might include daily rations that had been meant for German soldiers.

The authorities were also examining the possibility of donating massive food stocks stored in Berlin.

Tens of thousands of food parcels have already been shipped to the Soviet Union by individuals and humanitarian organizations.

Earlier this month more than 70,000 parcels were sent by sea from Hamburg to Leningrad and a German entrepreneur said he collected donations totaling the equivalent of $120,000 within 48 hours.

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#90331u0499 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 27) UPI - Saudi Foreign Minister Saud al Faisal arrived in Moscow today as the Soviet Union continues its efforts to avoid a war in the Gulf region. Saud's visit comes one day after Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz was harshly warned by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev that Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait to avoid bloodshed. Gorbachev said ''The fate of Iraq is in the hands of its leadership, and time is elapsing.''

A goverment spokesman in Tokyo says Japan will send nearly two Million dollars worth of medical supplies to Iraq, ending a ban on such shipments imposed after the August 2nd invasion of Kuwait. Foreign Ministry officials say Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party has invited Iraqi legislators to Tokyo next month to discuss a peaceful resolution of the Gulf crisis.

The publishers of the New York Daily News yesterday told a legislative committee that they have the right to hire permanent replacements for strikers. They blamed the paper's nine unions for increasing violence in the bitter walkout. The hearing was held to determine whether legislation should ban the use of strike breakers and replacement workers.

18-year-old Kharey Wise yesterday said he was forced by police to make two videotaped confessions in the gang rape and beating of a female jogger in New

York's Central Park last year. The judge ordered the courtroom cleared after Wise blew up when Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer introduced a copy of a report detailing his school truancy records for 1985 and 1989.

South African President Frederik de Klerk and black leader Nelson Mandela meet today to try to revive South Africa's peace process which has been damaged during recent months. The African National Congress and the government have accused each other of using violent tactics. Both leaders have said they will seek resolutions to the problems during the talks today.

Security sources say Israeli warplanes today blasted Palestinian positions in southern Lebanon, inflicting massive damage. The sources said four Israeli jets dropped 20 rockets on a military base and three other positions of the Fatah Revolutionary Council of Abu Nidal, east of the port city of Sidon. There was no immediate word on casualties. Earlier, guerrillas ambushed an Israeli military patrol in southern Lebanon, causing injuries.

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DEARBORN, MI (NOV. 27) UPI - Members of a touring Israeli basketball team walked off the court Monday night because Arab protesters waved a Palestinian flag behind the Israeli bench at the University of Michigan- Dearborn.

The demonstration was organized by the U-M Dearborn Arab Student Association to protest what the group called Israel's human rights violations against Palestinians on the West Bank.

About 40 demonstrators carried their banners and Palestinian flags into the arena, marched onto the basketball court and sat in the middle of the floor as the Israeli and U-M Dearborn players warmed up before the game.

They later moved to bleachers directly behind the Israeli team, called Hapoel Hagalil Haelcon. The start of the game was delayed about 40 minutes when the Israeli team refused to play while the protesting students sat and chanted in bleachers behind them.

The game finally started after the Israeli team moved its chairs to the opposite side of the arena. The teams were on the court for just five minutes, with the Israelis leading 10-2, when four demonstrators with a Palestinian flag crossed the court and waved it behind the Israeli bench.

The Israeli team asked for a time-out and went into the locker room as angry fans in the crowd of about 150 exchanged shouts with the protesters. University officials then announced that the game was canceled and asked visitors to leave the arena in orderly fashion.

The Israeli team has played seven other college teams in Michigan and Ohio

without incident, and U-M Dearborn was its last stop on a U.S. tour.

After the game was canceled, U-M Dearborn players visited the Israeli locker room to thank them for coming.

Mike Awad, 22, a U-M Dearborn senior and spokesman for the Arab group, said he was pleased with the demonstration. Allowing the Israeli team to play, he said ''is a shame and insensitive to Arab students.''

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#90331u0605 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 27) UPI - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz accused the U.N. Security Council of adopting a policy of double standards, and said the government of Saddam Hussein would never succumb to pressure, Baghdad Radio said Tuesday.

Yemen's Sanaa Radio reported that the five permament Council members reached a broad agreement on a draft resolution authorizing the use of force if Iraq fails to get out of Kuwait by Jan. 1. There was no elaboration.

The Washington Post also reported an agreement had been apparently reached but that the Council was trying to nail down a deadline for a pullout from the oil-rich emirate.

France, a permanent Council member, has said it wants a Jan. 15 deadline. The Council is scheduled to meet Thursday to discuss and possibly vote on the proposed resolution.

Aziz spoke to reporters upon his return to Baghdad late Monday from Moscow - where he met with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze in talks in which the Soviets put the onus of a war in the gulf on Iraq.

The Iraqi minister was commenting on the draft war resolution the United States is pushing the Security Council to adopt.

''The continuous resolutions issued by the Security Council, including the one the Americans are seeking to adopt this week, do not serve the cause of peace ... but emphasize the double standards which the Council subscribes to,'' the state-owned Iraqi radio, monitored in Cairo, quoted Aziz as saying.

''Iraq will never succumb to pressure and will remain struggling fairly to achieve peace and justice in the region, with the rights of the Palestinian people foremost in its mind.

''Iraq's position on Kuwait will remain unchanged,'' Aziz said.

The foreign ministers of the Security Council are to meet Thursday at the

request of the United States, which is the current chairman of the U.N. body.

The Council has five permanent members and 10 rotating, or temporary, members. Six of the rotating members have reportedly indicated they will vote for a war resolution.

The Washington Post reported Tuesday that the five permanent members of the Council - the United States, Britain, France, China and the Soviet Union - appeared to have agreed on the use of force with the only sticking point being whether the resolution set a pullout deadline of Jan. 1 or Jan. 15.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said in a statement Tuesday that he proposed Jan. 15 as the last date for a pullout, citing Soviet ''reticence'' on setting New Year's Day as the deadline.

Yemen, a temporary member, is scheduled to assume the Council's chairmanship Jan. 1.

Soviet leaders began talks in Moscow Tuesday with visiting Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al Faisal.

Faisal was in Moscow last month to restore diplomatic relations between the two states after a break of some 50 years.

Radio Riyadh said the Soviets were keen to hear Saudi Arabia's view before Thursday's crucial vote at the United Nations, which could trigger a mass land air and sea strike by the U.S.-led multinational force against Iraq to liberate Kuwait from Saudi territory.

In the stream of diplomacy efforts of the gulf crisis, Soviet leaders told the visiting Aziz Monday that Baghdad must get out of Kuwait and allow some 3,000 Soviet nationals to leave the country or face ''the worst.''

''The fate of Iraq is in the hands of its leadership, and time is elapsing,'' Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev said. ''If Iraq actually wants a settlement in the entire region and is seeking to avoid the worst, it must declare right now openly and to show by deeds that it is leaving Kuwait."

In Amman, Jordan, one West European diplomat told United Press International Saddam Hussein's claim Monday that Iraqis were dying through lack of food and medicine was a ''lie.''

''(Saddam) is telling a lie ... there is no evidence at all from Iraq to say Iraqis are dying through lack of food and medicines because of the United Nations blockade,'' the diplomat said.

''(Saddam's) chief preoccupation these days is to distract the world's attention away from his brutal annexation of Kuwait,'' said the diplomat, who

is in touch with his country's mission in Baghdad.

Saddam met Monday with the wives of U.S. hostages being held in Iraq and told them their husbands could return home with them, the Iraqi news agency reported.

The U.S. State Department said it expected only three American husbands to be released.

Saddam said during his meeting with the American families that Iraq wanted peace, because it is in a ''very bad need for such peace,'' INA reported.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

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Baltimore pc	65	46	....
Billings pc	26	09	.05
Birmingham mc	70	66	....
Bismarck pc	21	05	....
Boston cy	51	38	....
Brownsville w	84	76	....
Buffalo sh	53	39	.15
Burlington Vt. sh	38	25	....
Charleston S.C. pc	71	58	....
Charlotte pc	73	50	....
Chicago ts	67	61	.62
Cincinnati w	70	62	.21
Cleveland w	64	59	....
Columbus Ohio w	69	60	.03
Dallas pc	75	71	.14
Denver snsh	62	19	.12
Des Moines rnsn	71	35	.58
Detroit sh	58	47	.22
Duluth sn	33	27	.04
El Paso sy	69	43	.05
Evansville sh	74	67	.05
Fargo cy	28	10	....
Hartford cy	53	29	....
Honolulu sy	82	67	....
Houston ts	82	74	....
Indianapolis sh	67	62	.57

Jackson Miss. cy	80	70	....
Jacksonville pc	80	54	....
Kansas City cy	78	38	.31
Las Vegas sy	63	37	....
Little Rock ts	76	68	.38
Los Angeles sy	63	47	....
Louisville w	71	66	.01
Memphis ts	76	70	....
Miami Beach mc	78	75	.06
Milwaukee r	67	51	.06
Minneapolis sn	36	32	.10
Nashville cy	70	66	....
New Orleans cy	81	70	....
New York mc	56	44	....
Oklahoma City ts	71	66	....
Omaha sn	66	26	.17
Orlando pc	83	64	....
Philadelphia pc	61	40	....
Phoenix sy	67	45	.02
Pittsburgh mc	68	54	.04
Portland Me. cy	44	24	....
Portland Ore. sh	47	42	.13
Providence cy	53	30	....
Richmond sy	75	39	....
St. Louis ts	73	64	.42
Salt Lake Cty mc	54	28	.12
San Antonio pc	80	73	....
San Diego sy	62	48	....
San Francisco sy	60	44	....
San Juan sh	85	75	.43
Seattle sh	45	38	.10
Spokane snsh	35	30	.01
Tampa pc	85	65	....
Washington pc	68	48	....
Wichita cy	73	35	.02

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke

sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90331u0644 11/27/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 27) UPI - A joint report by the English language daily Jordan Times and the Christian Science Monitor says the U-S government has ignored an Iraqi proposal for bilateral talks on how to avoid military incidents in the Gulf. The Jordan Times said an Iraqi proposal was delivered to the U-S State Department on August 21st to discuss through experts from both sides ways to avoid military accidents.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz today accused the U-N Security Council of adopting a policy of double standards. He said the government of Saddam Hussein will never succumb to pressure. Aziz spoke to reporters after his return to Baghdad late following talks in Moscow with Soviet leader Gorbachev and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze.

Conservative party members of the British Parliament are voting today on who will succeed Margaret Thatcher as prime minister. John Major, Michael Heseltine and Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd each expressed optimism that he will win the party leadership post.

Violence continues along Israel's borders. The army says five Israeli soldiers and two guerrillas were killed last night in fighting in southern Lebanon. Hours later, Israeli airplanes bombed bases in Lebanon belonging to two Palestinian guerrilla groups.

A senior aide to German Chancellor Helmut Kohl flew to Moscow today to discuss the logistics of distributing German food donations to help the Soviet Union. Yesterday, Kohl urged industrialists to participate in the relief effort, which he said will be the first test of the new Soviet-German relationship.

Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki resigned last night, saying his election loss in the presidential race Sunday showed that Poles no longer support his economic austerity plan. Stanislaw Tyminski edged out Mazowiecki in the six-man race to face Lech Walesa in a December 9th runoff.

China says its foreign minister would make an ''official visit'' to the United States at Secretary of State James Baker's invitation this week. A U-S Embassy spokesman refused to comment on the report and declined to say whether Qian Qichen's stay in New York could be construed as an ''official visit'' to the United States.

Frank Sinatra will start his ''75th Jubilee Diamond Tour'' to Europe at the

95-hundred-seat Spectrum Theater in Oslo on May 25th. Concert organizers say Sinatra and his 35-man band will perform in Oslo before traveling to London for a series of appearances at the Royal Albert Hall.

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#90331u0651 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 27) UPI - Continued worries over the possibility of war in the oil-rich Persian Gulf coupled with weaker bond prices to send stock prices lower Tuesday in dull trading on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

The bellwether Nikkei Average of 225 selected shares, which gained 362.58 points Monday, fell 139.35 points to 23,623.51.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares dropped 12.78 points to 1,734.30 after gaining 19.42 points Monday.

Volume remained sparse at an estimated 250 million shares, virtually unchanged from the 249 million shares traded Monday.

Declines outnumbered advances 641 to 314, while 170 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange posted slight gains in thin trading.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which lost 20.54 points Monday, gained 3.42 points to 2,998.94.

Among the narrower indexes, utilities gained 24.53 points, financials fell 12.22, properties rose 10.58 and industrials slipped 0.22 points.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 579 million shares, compared with 591 million shares Monday.

In Singapore, stocks dipped in light trading Tuesday on the Singapore Stock Exchange following the resignation of Singapore's Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew after 31 years in power.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which lost 7.69 points Monday, fell 2.93 points to 1,118.29. The broader-based All Singapore Index eased 1.31 points to 310.89.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 31.5 million shares, compared with 13.5 million shares Monday.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stocks closed lower in moderate trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which fell 37.10 points Monday, lost another 9.25 points to 592.60.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 64 million Thai shares, compared with 39 million shares changing hands Monday.

In Australia, stocks closed lower on the Sydney Sharemarket in moderate trading.

The All Ordinaries Index, which lost 11.2 points Monday, slipped 5.1 points to1,350.3. The All Industrials index fell 10.1 points 2,037.2 and the All Resources Index lost 1.5 points to 817.2

Volume amounted to around an estimated 61 million shares, compared with 61.4 million shares Monday.

Meanwhile in Wellington, stock prices closed lower in moderate trading on the New Zealand Stock Exchange as local investors reacted negatively to some corporate news.

The Barclays Share-Price Index fell 26.15 points to 1,277.96.

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GENEVA (NOV. 27) UPI - Economies and living standards are seriously deteriorating in eastern Europe and the Soviet Union, the U.N. Economic Commission for Europe said Tuesday.

The U.N. agency issued a report citing falling output and productivity, rising unemployment and accelerating inflation.

''The oil shock has made matters considerably worse and in Bulgaria, Romania and the Soviet Union basic food shortages are increasing and threaten to become very serious during the winter,'' the report said.

A sharp fall in output and living standards was the immediate economic sequel to last year's political changes, it said.

''But the recession which was already apparent in a number of countries by late 1989 has spread throughout the region and deepened considerably in the first nine months of 1990,'' the report continued.

Industrial production in eastern Europe fell 18 percent on average against the first nine months last year, it said, with declines ranging from 4 percent in Czechoslovakia to 27 percent in Poland.

A drop in production of 20 percent is expected for 1990 as a whole with an 11

percent decline in net material product.

In the Soviet Union, the report said, ''conservative estimates'' forecast a fall in industrial output of 1.5 percent and of 4 percent to 5 percent in net material product.

''There also appears to have been a general collapse in fixed investment (with) gross outlays expected to be down by over 20 percent on average in eastern Europe and by some 12 percent in the Soviet Union, '' it said.

East European net foreign debt will probably rise $9 billion this year to $79 billion, the agency's economists said.

The Soviet Union has been helped somewhat by higher oil prices but its trade deficit with the West is still likely to be around $5 billion this year against $3 billion in 1989, the report said.

''With increased net interest payments abroad, the current account deficit is likely to be more than $7 billion this year compared with $4 billion in 1989 '' it said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for November 26: Purchases of 331,215 shares and sales of 603,008 shares including 109,689 shares sold short.

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#90331u0705 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (NOV. 27) UPI - Supporters of Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, who lost his presidential bid and immediately resigned, were reluctantly asked Tuesday to support conquering opponent Lech Walesa as the lesser of two evils.

''We are not backing away from the critical remarks we have made about Mr. Walesa,'' wrote Adam Michnik, editor-in-chief of the independent newspaper Gazeta Wyborcza, in the lead editorial. ''But today he is the only candidate that counts.''

Michnik, once one of Solidarity trade union founder Walesa's closest confidants, became his most vocal critic last year when Walesa began expressing dissatisfaction with Mazowiecki.

Mazowiecki was once a top adviser to Walesa and was the union leader's handpicked choice for premier last summer when the Communist Party was forced

to give up its 46-year monopoly on power.

The newspaper's reluctant endorsement, taken after a vote Monday night of the Gazeta editorial staff, climaxed three days of political upheaval in Poland after Sunday's elections in which an expatriate businessman, Stanislaw Tyminski, edged out Mazowiecki in the six-man race to face Walesa in the Dec. 9 runoff.

''Walesa's victory will bring great risks for Poland,'' Michnik wrote. ''Tyminski's victory would absolutely certainly bring great degradation of our country. Polish reform will be then condemned to a dangerous defeat.''

Mazowiecki, who came to power in August 1989 as the first non- communist premier in the former East Bloc, resigned Monday night, saying the election showed Poles no longer support his economic austerity plan.

At a news conference Tuesday, Tyminski condemned Mazowiecki's economic policies, which halted hyperinflation but at the cost of a drop in the standard of living.

He said he wants to create in Poland the same conditions as in America so that entrepreneurs can prosper and help to rebuild the country.

''Many people will come back from American to Poland if we allow the opportunity for them to grow,'' he said.

But the Polish press turned hostile when Tyminski praised the former Communist Party leader and current president, Wojciech Jaruzelski, who declared martial law in 1981 to crush Solidarity.

When repeatedly asked what he supported in 1981 - Solidarity, or Jaruzelski and martial law - Tyminski refused to answer directly, saying at that time he was in Canada, and then in Peru, and did not have enough information to make a judgment.

''I'm asking you who was right,'' he told one questioner. ''I wasn't there.''

Official election results released Monday night gave Walesa 39.96 of the vote, Tyminski 23.10 and Mazowiecki 18.08.

At a news conference in Gdansk, Walesa announced he would take part in the runoff. Previously he had suggested he needed a clear majority of the voters in the first round in order to be a strong president, and if he did not get it he might withdraw.

''Now, I have no choice as one cannot give Poland into untested hands,'' he said. ''If Mazowiecki had moved to the runoff, I would have withdrawn, giving him my votes.''

Despite his comment, few analysts believe he would have dropped out when his support in the first round was twice that of Mazowiecki's.

Mazowiecki announced his resignation and that of his government late Monday at an emergency session of the Council of Ministers, his Cabinet.

''The vision of Polish democracy and formation of the foundations of a healthy economy, the goal of my government, was questioned'' in the election, he said.

''Society has made its choice. From this choice I drew my own conclusion. I decided to submit the resignation of the government.'' He said the development does not mean Poland will sink into anarchy because his government will stay on in a caretaker role until a new premier is named.

''The government will still function and fulfill its consitutional duties,'' he said.

The resignation will be submitted to Parliament after the new president is elected Dec. 9, probably just before the Christmas holidays.

The new president will submit to the parliament his choice for prime minister, who will form the new government.

At Belwedere Palace, Jaruzelski, who agreed to step down under public pressure only one year into his six-year term, received Mazowiecki's resignation with ''understanding and regret,'' Polish radio said.

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#90331u0781 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (NOV. 27) UPI - China is tightening the noose around a group of prominent dissidents branded as core agitators in the 1989 Tiananmen Spring democracy movement, charging at least four in recent days with counterrevolution or sedition.

Only two jailed activists - editor Wang Juntao, 32, and economist Chen Ziming, 38 - face trial on both offenses, suggesting the communist government is saddling them with responsibility for the movement now branded a ''counterrevolutionary rebellion.''

Notice of the charges was transmitted to Wang's kin and Chen's kin on Nov. 24 and both families got vague assurances the trials would be swift, friends and family told United Press International.

Under China's socialist legal system, the filing of formal charges generally is tantamount to conviction and defendants are expected to earn leniency by admitting their guilt.

Word of the stiff charges touched off rumors Monday and Tuesday in the United States and China that Wang already had been tried and sentenced to death.

Conviction on the more serious sedition charge, namely intent to overthrow the government, carries penalties ranging from long prison terms to death.

University lecturers Liu Suli, 32, and Liu Xiaobo, 35, face trial on the single charge of spreading counterrevolutionary propaganda, punishable by at least five to 10 years in prison.

Friends said Liu Suli's family was notified Monday, while Liu Xiaobo's wife received official notification Nov. 17.

Several other key activists also are known to have been hit with the counterrevolutionary propaganda charge, including veteran human rights activist Ren Wanding and China Politics and Law University student union leader Zhou Yongjun.

China has not publicly acknowledged that it is moving forward with prosecution of dissidents active in last year's pro-democracy movement, which was crushed by army tanks and gunfire June 4.

Hard-line Premier Li Peng, in a rare comment on China's human rights situation told five visiting U.S. congressmen this month that the charges against Tiananmen Spring defendants would be resolved ''swiftly.''

Chinese sources have quoted officials as saying the government would show no mercy to older dissidents who were active in earlier democracy campaigns.

The prosecutions would be the first major political trials in China since the show-trial convictions of the ultra-leftist Gang of Four in 1977 and of Democracy Wall activist Wei Jingsheng in 1979.

The Gang of Four, led by Chairman Mao Tse-tung's wife Jiang Qing, was convicted of persecuting 700,000 people during the chaotic 1966-76 Cultural Revolution - including 35,000 who were hounded to deaths.

Wei, an electrician whose eloquent appeal for new liberties in the 1978-79 Democracy Wall movement alarmed the authoritarian government, was imprisoned for 15 years for leaking secrets to foreign reporters and publishing counterrevolutionary statements.

China's counterrevolution laws date to 1951 and were revised in 1979 to prohibit ''acts undertaken with the purpose of overthrowing the political power of the dictatorship of the proletariat and the socialist system and which harm the Chinese People's Republic.''

Wang and Chen, active in democracy campaigns since the Tiananmen Incident of 1976, were arrested in October 1989 and have been held without charge at notorious Qincheng Prison outside Beijing.

The pair have been pegged as core agitators in the 1989 movement and branded as behind-the-scenes ''black hands'' in the official press.

Although China has freed hundreds of activists jailed after the June 4 crackdown, a small number of intellectuals remain behind bars, presumably facing prosecution.

Among them are key Beijing University student leader Wang Dan, 21, who topped a government warrant naming suspected student agitators.

Also facing likely prosecution are Chen Xiaoping, a constitutional law scholar at Politics and Law University, and Bao Zunxin, a senior historian at the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $384.20, silver base of $4.13 and platinum price of $424.40:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$400.00	403.70
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	205.20	207.10
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.40	106.30
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.50	43.90
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	400.00	403.70
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	205.20	207.10
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.90	106.80
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.50	43.90
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	406.50	410.20
China Panda .50 troy oz.	209.40	211.30
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.60	109.00
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.90	47.30
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.00	28.30
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	400.10	403.70
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	204.50	208.20
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.30	106.80
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.00	45.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	398.20	402.10
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	206.10	208.20
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.80	106.80

Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.00	45.40
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	398.10	402.10
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	204.70	206.80
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.80	88.70
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.50	45.90
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.20	24.30
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.52	$5.61
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,160	$3,220
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,325	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	438.00	447.00
Isle of Man Noble	435.00	444.00
Canada Maple Leaf	446.00	456.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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GENEVA (NOV. 27) UPI - The chairman of the Uruguay Round trade talks said Tuesday the negotiations could still produce meaningful results if governments make the necessary ''tough decisions'' at a ministerial conference next week.

Arthur Dunkel, director of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, said the 391-page ''draft final act'' compiled in four years of negotiation was a massive and unprecedented undertaking.

All the same, he conceded, it basically comprises conflicting positions of the major participants on all the key issues - especially agriculture, services, and textiles and clothing.

Trade ministers of the 105 participating states at a Dec. 3-7 meeting in Brussels were to have adopted an average of 30 percent cuts in barriers in all sectors of global trade - worth $3.1 trillion last year.

The Uruguay Round was launched in the Uruguayan resort of Punta del Este in 1986. GATT officials and delegates said ministers next week can either decide to end the talks or make concessions needed for a meaningful extension of the negotiations.

''If governments don't go to Brussels with the firm will to succeed, if they are not prepared to shift position from the very beginning, then it will be a failure,'' Dunkel told a news conference.

''The Round is in a crisis.....but we have all the edlements which can lead to a success,'' he said.

''For the time being there is no reason to envisage any extension, otherwise there was no reason to fix the (Brussels) rendezvous,'' Dunkel said. ''Let us go to the meeting first, otherwise we will not get the tough decisions we need.

''Now is the time for decisions. We have to put governments up against the wall.''

Dunkel agreed the German elections this Sunday prevented Germany and the European Community in general from ''showing its cards'' on agriculture.

The main shifts needed, he said, are EC concessions on reducing farm export subsidies and U.S. agreement to free access for foreign services sectors such as banking, insurance, telecommunications and transportation.

The United States originally insisted on inclusion of services in the negotiations but backed off because of pressure from lobbies.

Dunkel said governments must recognize the overall interest of all countries in a successful Uruguay Round rather than ''special interests.''

''Everybody will otherwise be a loser,'' he warned.

''The world economy is slowing down, the reforms in eastern and central European countries have to be incorporated into the global trading system, and there is also instability caused by the Gulf crisis, Dunkel added.

''Developing countries and those countries engaged in reform would be the biggest losers but the major countries will lose as well.''

Reductions in EC farm exports subsidies of 90 percent and in domestic supports of 70 percent are demanded by the United States and 14-member Cairns Group of farm exporting nations led by Australia, Argentina, Brazil and Canada.

The EC, however, has offered only a 30 percent reducion in internal supports with nothing on export suibsidies.

The EC and developing countries insist the United States permit free access for all countries in the services sector instead of bilateral arrangements as Washington suddenly proposed.

Developing countries also have demanded greater commitments from the richer

nations to lower barriers to tropical products and other Third World exports.

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SOFIA, BULGARIA (NOV. 27) UPI - Police used tear gas and truncheons Tuesday to disperse protesters who blocked a central Sofia intersection on the second day of a general strike to force the resignation of the Socialist government.

The clash came amid reports that more than 5,000 coal miners had joined the nationwide strike, which organizers said involved several hundred thousand workers on its first day.

Government officials maintain that the strike is illegal and say that only about 1 percent of the nation's workers were participating. The independent Podkrepa trade union, the strike organizer, is demanding the ouster of Socialist Prime Minister Andrei Loukanov and his Cabinet.

The clash Tuesday came when police tried to clear away several trucks which striking drivers had used to block a major intersection in downtown Sofia.

A crowd of about 200 people gathered and began jeering the police, and some tried to stop police from removing the vehicles. Police reinforcements arrived and used tear gas and truncheons to disperse the crowd.

There were no serious injuries and no arrests, the state-run BTA news agency said.

In a separate incident, a crowd of youths set up a human barricade across another Sofia intersection, blocking traffic and overturning a trolley, authorities said. Several young people were arrested and fined.

A Podkrepa spokesman said 5,300 miners in 47 pits throughout the country had joined the 2-day-old walkout, adding to a growing number of striking workers in larger cities including Plovdiv, Rousse, Bourgas and Lovech.

The chairman of the Podkrepa National Strike Committee, Krustyu Krustev, said Monday that 50 enterprises in Sofia, 102 in Plovdiv, workers at the large chemical plant and oil refinery in Burgas, and those in some chemical and metallurgical industries as well as bus drivers in Sofia had joined in the strike.

In Sofia, military buses driven by civilians replaced striking public transportation workers. Members of other unions, including the Confederation of Independent Syndicates, the largest union in Bulgaria, also joined in the strike and it was backed by the Union of Actors as well as Bulgarian Radio and Bulgarian Television.

The strike comes after several weeks of demonstrations by opposition groups led by UDF and a four-week strike by university students, who say Loukanov's socialist-led government is stalling on reforms. Polls have showed that the public is also frustrated by the chaos in Bulgaria's parliament, where the Bulgarian Socialist Party, the former Communists, hold a slim majority.

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BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (NOV. 27) UPI - Serbia's main opposition parties, hailing a decision by the communist government to let them participate in vote-counting, Tuesday called off a threatened boycott of the country's first multi-party elections in 45 years.

''Serbia hurries to take off a red gown from itself and stop being an object of ridicule of Europe,'' said Vuk Draskovic, president of the nationalist Serbian Renwal Movement.

''We have nothing to worry about, communism has fallen all over Europe and now comes our turn to win in Serbia,'' he told a news conference at a Belgrade hotel.

Draskovic, who also is a candidate for the Serbian presidency, said the opposition parties renounced their threat to boycott the elections and canceled a planned anti-communist rally in downtown Belgrade set for Dec. 3, six days before the balloting.

The communist government of Yugoslavia's largest republic Monday succumbed to opposition pressure and reversed a decision barring opposition parties from participating in panels that will supervise the voting and count the ballots.

But Draskovic criticized Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic's Marxist government for not allowing Serbs abroad to cast votes. Draskovic said his nationalist party would suffer most from this policy, contending that a majority of the approximately 500,000 Yugoslav migrant workers living in Western countries would vote for him.

Draskovic said the government's initial decision to bar opposition parties from the vote-counting process pushed the country to ''edge of civil war.''

The opposition has insisted on its direct participation in the ballot-counting process because of fears Milosevic's communist regime, which has suffered a substantial loss of popularity in recent months, will rig the results to retain power.

More than 30 opposition parties had withdrawn their candidates and said they would not participate in the balloting unless democratic conditions were created.

Serbia and neighboring communist-ruled Montenegro are the last of Yugoslavia's six republics to stage multi-party elections following the collapse in January of the national communist organization. Montenegro and Serbia will have assembly and presidential elections Dec. 9 and a second round Dec. 23.

Slovenia and Croatia, the two northwestern republics, in April held Yugoslavia's first multi-party elections since the communists took power after World War II in 1945 and elected their nationalist governments.

The two republics now advocate secession from Yugosavia unless the federation is turned into a confederation of independent states.

Early results of elections being held currently in Bosnia-Herzegovina and Macedonia republics have shown nationalist parties have been leading over the ruling communists.

Serbia rejects the idea of a confederation unless it is given control of Serbian-inhabited enclaves in other parts of Yugoslavia.

Other republics, considerably smaller than Serbia, fear Serbian domination in a federation controlled by Serbs who make nearly 40 percent of multi-national Yugoslavia.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Nov. 27:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberden cy	1pm	42	05
Amstrdm c	1pm	42	06
Ankara pc	3pm	53	11
Athens pc	2pm	69	20
Auckland c	12m	61	16
Beijing c	8pm	40	04
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin hz	1pm	46	08
Bonn c	1pm	46	08
Brussels c	1pm	41	05
Cairo c	2pm	76	24
Casblnc pc	12n	62	16
Copnhgn cy	1pm	39	04
Dakar pc	12n	80	27
Dublin c	1pm	45	07
Geneva cy	1pm	39	04

Helsinki cy	2pm	31	00
Hong Kng c	8pm	71	22
Jeruslm pc	2pm	66	19
Karachi m	5pm	mm	mm
Lisbon c	1pm	49	09
London cy	1pm	45	07
Madrid c	1pm	50	10
Malta c	1pm	70	21
Manila pc	8pm	80	26
Moscow cy	3pm	39	04
Nairobi pc	3pm	70	21
Nassau c	7am	76	24
New Delh c	6pm	77	25
Nice pc	1pm	50	10
Oslo c	1pm	29	-01
Paris c	1pm	45	07
Pretoria c	2pm	76	24
Riyadh m	3pm	83	28
Rome cy	1pm	60	16
Seoul c	9pm	50	10
Sofia r	2pm	48	09
Stockholm c	1pm	32	00
Sydney cy	10pm	70	21
Taipei r	8pm	68	20
Tokyo cy	9pm	59	15
Tunis c	1pm	67	19
Vienna r	1pm	45	07
Warsaw cy	1pm	42	06

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	63	17
Caracas cy	8am	69	20
Havana c	7am	68	20
Lima cy	7am	66	19
Mexico City hz	6am	57	13
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	87	30
Santiago c	8am	69	20

Canada

Calgary cy		24	-04
Edmonton c		12	-11
Montreal cy		31	-00
Ottawa fzr		33	00
Regina c		11	-11
Toronto r		41	05
Vancouver fy		44	06
Winnipeg s		15	-09

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - The Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association Tuesday announced formation of a commission to speed the development and use of medicines to fight drug abuse.

The trade group said the commission will work with the National Institute on Drug Abuse to establish screening systems and other ways for determining which compounds have promise for treating drug dependency.

In addition, the nine-member panel, comprised of officials and researchers from pharmaceutical firms, will have the authority to seek ''support'' from companies for research into issues relating to treating drug abuse.

''Work on new medicines as possible drug dependence treatments is already underway at some ... companies. But, clearly, more research and development is still needed,'' said Gerald Mossinghoff, president of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association.

Although methadone and some other medications have proven helpful in treating heroin addiction, there currently are no uniformly effective treatments for cocaine abuse or the dual abuse of cocaine and heroin, often injected in a potent form called a ''speedball.''

Drug abuse and dependency costs the United States more than $100 billion a year in lost health and productivity, Mossinghoff said.

Dr. Frederick Goodwin, director of the Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration, called the industry's action ''a timely initiative.''

''The commission reflects a growing acknowledgement that the nation cannot afford to let the development of treatments for paients with addictive

disorders continue to be viewed as being exclusively a public sector responsibility,'' Goodwin said at a news conference.

Currently, the government's effort to find medications to treat drug abuse is focusing on identifying existing compounds that the pharmecutical industry may already have on the shelf, but which have not been tried against addiction, Goodwin said.

Longer term goals include developing drugs specifically tailored to affect the parts of the brain and nervous system involved in addictive behavior, he said.

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AMMAN, JORDAN (NOV. 27) UPI - An Iraqi proposal for bilateral consultations with the United States on how to avoid military incidents in the Persian Gulf has been ignored by the U.S. government, a newspaper report said Tuesday.

The joint report is by the English language daily Jordan Times and the Christian Science Monitor.

The Jordan Times said an Iraqi proposal was delivered to the U.S. State Department on Aug. 21 to discuss through experts from both sides ways to avoid military accidents.

The daily said that the proposal referred to a previous agreement signed in 1987 between Iraq and the United States to avoid accidents in the gulf during the Iran-Iraq war.

Western military experts disclosed that the 1987 agreement, whose provisions were never made public, ''involved a special set-up by which Iraqi pilots used call signals to alert the U.S. Navy and forces in the gulf that they were Iraqi planes.''

The agreement was signed three months after an Iraqi warplane accidentally missiled the U.S. frigate Stark, killing 37 U.S. sailors, and was intended to avoid incidents of a similar nature that might drag both sides into a war, the newspaper said.

It quoted U.S. sources as confirming that Washington ignored the proposal for a meeting of experts, because ''it suspected that Baghdad might use such an agreement as a means of shifting the blame onto the United States for any military incident in the gulf.''

Iraqi sources were quoted as saying that Washington's shelving of the proposal was deliberate and criticized it as ''a pretext to provoke military confrontation or to step up political and psychological pressure on Iraq.''

Iraq said it still awaited a response on the proposal, but Washington sources were quoted as describing it as an ''Iraqi move to obtain information on U.S military movements in the gulf region and elsewhere in the Middle East.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Eastern Airlines planned to ask a bankruptcy judge Tuesday for $120 million to keep itself aloft through March 31, in a bid to shore up sagging confidence in its chances for survival, a spokeswoman said.

The request, which will likely be opposed by Eastern's unsecured creditors, came late Monday in a surprise filing in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Manhattan. A hearing on the request was scheduled for Tuesday afternoon.

''We want to get a commitment for the funds through the first quarter of 1991 '' Eastern spokeswoman Karen Ceremsak said in Miami. ''Increments of $15 million don't build consumer confidence.''

A lawyer for Eastern's unsecured creditors committee could not be reached for comment early Tuesday.

Ceremsak said Eastern's efforts to attract customers were badly hurt earlier this month by a highly publicized squabble over money between Eastern and its unsecured creditors.

Those creditors, who are owed about $1 billion, opposed Eastern's request for an additional $30 million, saying the airline should be liquidated instead.

Creditors who had previously supported Eastern's turnaround effort were swayed in part by rising jet fuel prices, which have hurt even the nation's strongest airlines.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Burton Lifland compromised by giving Eastern $15 million. The judge told Eastern it could have the other $15 million on Dec. 3 if it met its projections by early December.

Eastern repeatedly has dipped into an escrow account containing money from asset sales to finance its ongoing losses. Eastern filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy in March 1989, five days after its three unions launched a crippling strike.

Eastern trustee Martin Shugrue, appointed to run the troubled carrier in April has sought to salvage the airline in part by offering incentives for business travelers to fly Eastern.

But Ceremsak said those efforts have been hurt by doubts about Eastern's prospects for survival.

Although she declined to provide specific booking figures, Ceremsak said a substantial portion of the $120 million request is needed because of the damage done by the earlier squabble.

''The estimated damage and recovery costs are $55 million to $70 million,'' she said.

Ceremsak declined to speculate on what would happen if the judge refuses Eastern's request.

''We're not going to talk about what if,'' she said.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - The next prime minister of Britain may be selected today as parliamentary members of the Conservative Party vote on three candidates to replace Margaret Thatcher as party leader. The longest-ruling prime minister of this century resigned that post after being challenged for her party leadership role. The new party leader and prime minister needs a simple majority of the 372 Conservative Party members of Parliament. If NO one candidate gets 187 votes then a new ballot will be taken Thursday under different rules.

Everything but the actual date reportedly has been agreed to as the United States pushes the U-N Security Council for a resolution that could involve the use of force to get Iraq out of Kuwait. France is said to be pushing for a January 15th deadline instead of January 1st. The Security Council is set to meet on Thursday to discuss the resolution. A vote may be taken then.

President Bush and Mexican President Salinas held a breakfast meeting in Monterrey, Mexico, this morning... joining business leaders from both nations. Bush is winding up a two-day summit to talk about topics including free trade... the environment... and the war against drugs.

The search for two suspected kidnappers has gone nationwide with the F-B-I saying they could be anywhere between Chicago and California. Federal warrants identify the suspects as 33-year-old David House and 26-year-old Kenneth Studabaker. They allegedly kidnapped three young women at knifepoint from a Mount Clemens, Michigan, restaurant on Saturday and later released two of the women in Chicago. But there's NO word from the third woman, 18-year-old Jamie Lee of Detroit. The suspects were last seen driving her car, a 1990 Blue Toyota Tercel with Michigan license plates 240-WDM.

Hostage John McCarthy of Britain turns 34 years old today... more than four years after being kidnapped by gunmen in Beirut. Relatives and friends of the British journalist are marking the day by sending messages of support to the

captive by way of a newspaper that is widely distributed in mainly-Moslem areas of Lebanon. His family and friends say the only reliable news they have received about him what in 1988 when a group of freed French hostages said he was alive.

They're using that ''R'' word again. Three-quarters of the 51 economic forecasters surveyed by the National Association of Business Economists sau they believe the U-S economy already is in a recession. And two-thirds of the economists said the recession is expected to last six months or less and should be relatively mild. The White House has insisted the economy is NOT in recession, although President Bush recently conceded that the economy has suffered a downturn.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 71.50-72.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 123.62-127.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 37.00-52.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 45.00-52.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $192.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $428.00-$430.00; dealer- approx., $433.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 288.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Consumer confidence edged down in November following October's record decline, The Conference Board said Tuesday. The consumer confidence index of the private business research organization stood at 61.5, down from 115.1 one year ago and down from 62.6 in October.

"The current Consumer Confidence Index figure has fallen to rececession levels and is now only marginally above the figure recorded during the lowest point of the 1982 economic downturn," said Fabian Linden, executive director for the board's Consumer Research Center.

Americans have become less confident about current and future business conditions, and plans to buy homes and major appliances weakened slightly, the board reported.

"While rising unemployment and higher prices have made consumers uneasy, the weakening of the economy has, in fact, been relatively moderate. It certainly has not been of a magnitude that would explain the plunge of more than 40 points in consumer confidence since July," Linden said. "It is likley that the Persian Gulf crisis and pending tax increases have contributed to the precipitious decline in consumer spirits."

About 30 percent of all survey participants said current business conditions were "bad," up slightly from October's response. Another 14 percent said conditions were "good." Nearly 57 percent said jobs were "not as plentiful," up from 55 percent in October.

In other results, more than 34 percent of respondents said they expected there would be fewer jobs six months from now, while only ten percent anticipated an increase. Eleven percent expected U.S. business conditions to improve, down from 12 percent in October.

But in a bright spot, more than 22 percent said they expected their income to increase over the next six months, up from less than 20 percent in October.

Buying plans were generally down for November. Some 6.3 percent planned to buy a car, unchanged from October. But only 2.7 percent planned to buy a home, down from 2.9 percent. Interest in purchasing appliances also weakened from

October.

Confidence waned throughout all regions designated by the report, dropping most sharply in New England, the board said. The average New England index for September, October and November was 29.9, down 72.5 percent from 108.8 during the same period of 1989, the board said.

In the Mid-Atlantic, the three-month average declined 49.5 percent to 60.7 from 120.3 in the previous three-month period; in the board's East North Central region the index dropped 35.9 percent to 75.5 from 117.8, and in the West North Central region it dropped 38.2 percent to 65.4 from 105.7, the board said.

In the South Atlantic, the index dropped 42.1 percent to 80.4 from 139; in the East South Central area it dropped 37.5 percent to 64 from 102.5, and in the West South Central area it dropped 10.8 percent to 75.3 from 84.4. In the Mountain region the index dropped 15.6 percent to 81.7 from 96.8 and in the Pacific area it dropped 31.8 percent to 93.9 from 137.6.

The monthly survey covering 5,000 U.S. households was conducted for the board by National Family Opinion Inc. of Toledo, Ohio.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Baltimore Gas & El (10 Mos 10-31)	
$1,796,103,000	$1,667,794,000
$214,489,000 (2.21)	$245,105,000 (2.74)
Canada Packers Pro Forma (3rd Q 9-29)	
$907,500,000	$941,900,000
$12,600,000 (.19)	$19,100,000 (.17)

Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Dell Computer (3rd Q 11-3)	
$136,748,000	$95,549,000
$6,853,000 (.34)	$104,000 (.01)
Handleman Co (2nd Q 10-27)	
$218,077,000	$205,015,000
$11,531,000 (.35)	$13,319,000 (.41)
House of Fabrics Inc (3rd Q 10-31)	
$104,360,000	$92,511,000

$4,518,000 (.76) $4,296,000 (.63)

King World Productions (4th Q 8-31)
$101,800,000 $93,000,000
$18,500,000 (.47) $16,700,000 (.44)

Lowe's Cos (3rd Q 10-31)
$708,124,000 $702,670,000
$14,081,000 (.38) $20,277,000 (.54)

Merry Go Round (3rd Q 11-3)
$161,519,000 $130,065,000
$11,441,000 (.50) $8,020,000 (.38)

Oil-Dri Corp of Amer (1st Q 10-31)
$26,894,000 $24,270,000
$2,154,000 (.31) $2,024,000 (.29)

Phillips-Van Heusen (3rd Q 10-28)
$241,457,000 $232,486,000
$14,900,000 (1.35) $14,753,000 (1.32)

Roanoke Elec Steel (4th Q 10-31)
$36,686,312 $39,417,320
$2,773,935 (.52) $3,539,404 (.66)

Syntex Corp (1st Q 10-31)
$454,600,000 $390,700,000
$125,200,000 (1.12) $103,700,000 (.93)

Tech Data Corp (3rd Q 10-31)
$115,711,000 $91,767,000
$2,011,000 (.32) $1,231,000 (.20)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

United Illuminating Co (3rd Q 11-3)
$5,443,766,000 $5,269,984,000
a-$30,906,000 (.89) b-$18,847,000 (.60)
a-Includes gain on sale of assets amounting to ten cents a share, the majority of which related to the gain on sale of Buttrey Food & Drug Division.
b-Includes earnings of 26 cents a share from the sale of assets and expenses of six cents a share resulting from the San Francisco earthquake.

Varlen Corp (3rd Q 10-27)
$62,165,000 $57,680,000
$758,000 (.17) $1,776,000 (.39)

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
American Express	Q	.23	2-8	1-4
BellSouth Corp	Q	.67	2-1	1-11
Brenco Inc	Q	.05	1-7	12-14
Crown Crafts Inc	Q	.03	1-3	12-14
Detroit Edison Co	Q	.44 1/2	1-15	12-19
KN Energy Inc	Q	.28	12-31	12-14
MCA Inc	Q	.17	1-14	12-26
Occidental Pet	Q	.62 1/2	1-15	12-10
San Diego Gas & Elect	Q	.67 1/2	1-15	12-10
Tandy Corp	Q	.15	1-22	1-1
Utd Illuminating	Q	.58	1-1	12-10
Varlen Corp	Q	.15	1-31	1-15
Wellco Enterprises	Q	.12 1/2	1-25	1-4

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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MOSCOW (NOV. 27) UPI - The Saudi foreign minister held talks with Mikhail Gorbachev Tuesday and a Soviet official was sent to Cuba as Moscow continued its intense diplomatic effort before an expected U.N. resolution to allow the use of force in the Persian Gulf.

The efforts came as Soviet officials displayed their growing anger with former ally Iraq, with spokesmen calling Soviet workers unable to leave Iraq ''hostages'' for the first time in the crisis.

Saudi Foreign Minister Saud al Faisal's visit to Moscow came one day after Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz was harshly warned by Gorbachev that Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait soon to avoid bloodshed.

Saud held several hours of talks with Gorbachev and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, who was to leave Wednesday for New York to participate in Thursday's U.N. Security Council meeting to consider a resolution allowing additional measures to force Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Gorbachev spokesman Vitaly Ignatenko and Foreign Ministry spokesman Vitaly Churkin both refused to comment on the Soviet position on proposed U.N. resolutions to give Iraq a deadline to pull out of Kuwait after which a multinational military force may be used. But the Soviet Union is expected to support the resolution.

In the continued Soviet diplomatic efforts concerning the gulf crisis, Gorbachev also dispatched Georgi Memedev, head of the Foreign Ministry's U.S.-Canada department, to Havana Tuesday evening for consultations.

Cuba is a temporary member of the Security Council, but Churkin refused to say if Memedev would be pushing for Havana's support of any particular position in Thursday's meeting.

Deputy Foreign Minister Vladimir Petrovsky, who has spent much of the past month roving the Middle East as a special Soviet envoy, left for Iran Tuesday with a message from Gorbachev on the crisis, Churkin said.

''Time left for a peaceful solution of the conflict is running out, and the understanding of this is obvious,'' Petrovsky said of his meetings with Middle Eastern leaders.

The visit by Saud was the fourth to the Soviet Union by the Saudi foreign minister. On his last trip in September the two countries normalized diplomatic relations that had been frozen for decades.

Saudi Arabia is the United States' chief Arab ally in the face-off with Iraq over the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, and the American-led multinational military force in the gulf is concentrated in the Saudi desert.

Gorbachev warned Aziz Monday to get ready to face the worst if his country does not leave Kuwait, and hinted there was not much more time for talk before military efforts are used to end the stalemate.

''The fate of Iraq is in the hands of its leadership, and time is elapsing,'' Gorbachev said.

Tass said Aziz ''presented the familiar arguments'' to support Iraq's invasion positions that have been rejected by the Soviets along with the rest of the international community.

Ignatenko said Tuesday the meeting between Gorbachev and Aziz was ''tough'' and the two men ''parted coldly.''

''We have increasingly been losing understanding'' with Iraq, Ignatenko said.

Soviet officials also pressed Aziz on the issue of Soviet workers in Iraq who have been unable to leave despite Iraqi promises. Although the Soviets are not being held at strategic sites like Westerners in Iraq, for the first time Tuesday both Ignatenko and Churkin referred to the Soviets as ''hostages.''

''In a political and emotional sense, and we are emotional about this, they could be considered hostages,'' Churkin said. ''If a person cannot leave, then in a broad political sense they can be described as hostage.''

There were thousands of Soviet citizens in Iraq and Kuwait at the time of the invasion, including nearly 200 military advisers, and while many were allowed to leave there have been increasing obstacles to the departure of others.

The Soviet Union has supported the international effort to force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, including cutting off arms supplies as part of a trade embargo, but it is not participating in the military force in the gulf.

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BOSTON (NOV. 27) UPI - A hormone taken by millions of post-menopausal women to reduce their risk for developing brittle bones and heart disease may boost the danger of being stricken by breast cancer, researchers reported Tuesday.

Synthetic estrogen given to women whose ovaries have stopped functioning or been removed appears to increase their chance of developing breast cancer by a ''moderate'' degree, said Dr. Graham Colditz of Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

However, Colditz said the possible danger of cancer may be offset by the hormone's benefits and decisions about using estrogen might best be made on the basis of an individual's overall risk, including such factors as family history of breast cancer.

''There is a tradeoff involved in estrogen use. A woman with a history of benign breast disease or a family history of breast cancer may be in a different position than a woman with no (other) risk factors,'' he said.

The study found no increased breast cancer risk among women who had discontinued estrogen use for more than one year and no evidence that increased risk was related to prolonged use of estrogen, higher doses or the type used.

Although ''the magnitude in increase risk appears quite modest'' and the risk declines rapidly when estrogen is no longer used, Colditz said the new data nevertheless ''suggest the need for caution in the use of estrogens.''

Colditz and his colleagues studied the use of so-called estrogen replacement therapy - or ERT - and breast cancer incidence among 121,700 female nurses who were part of the ongoing Nurses' Health Study, which began in 1976. Their report appeared in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

When the study began, the nurses ranged in age from 30 to 55, and 23, 607 were classified as post-menopausal. The estrogen research spanned 10 years, during which the nurses were asked to fill out health questionnaires every two years.

Overall, Colditz and co-researchers found 722 cases of breast cancer. Although past users of ERT had no increased breast cancer risk, the study found a 36 percent increased risk among ''current users'' - those who used supplemental estrogen within one year of returning questionnaires.

Breast cancer is the leading cause of cancer among non-smoking women. It is estimated that 150,000 new cases of breast cancer will occur in the United States this year and 40,000 women will die from it.

More than 5 million American women are thought to take estrogen to such symptoms as hot flashes and reduce the risk for heart disease and osteoporosis which causes bones to become brittle and break.

Last year, a study involving 23,244 Swedish women found long-term estrogen use appeared to boost the breast cancer risk by up to four times. However, many of the women in that study took a potent form of estrogen rarely used in the United States.

Among the Swedish women who took a combination form known as ''conjugated estrogens'' popular in the United States, no increased risk was found. Colditz said more than 70 percent of those in the nurses study took conjugated estrogens.

A British study that followed menopausal women for more than five years and a study of 11,468 post-menopausal Seventh Day Adventist women also found apparent increased risks for breast cancer among current estrogen users, Colditz said. However, he said most prior studies have not distinguished between current and past use and have included only small numbers.

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BOSTON (NOV. 27) UPI - Estimates appear to be exaggerated of the degree to which workers who test positive on drug tests may be impaired on the job, scientists said Tuesday.

A study of 2,537 applicants for postal workers' jobs found those who turned up positive on urine tests for marijuana or cocaine use had higher rates of injury, accident and other problems on the job, but not to an extent often claimed, said Dr. Craig Zwerling of the University of Iowa in Iowa City.

Zwerling and colleagues who conducted the research for the Boston medical unit of the U.S. Postal Service found those who were positive for marijuana had 55 percent more accidents on the job, 85 percent more injuries and 56 percent more turnover than those who tested negative.

Those whose pre-employment tests turned up evidence of cocaine use had 59 percent more accidents than those who tested negative, 85 percent more

injuries and 15 percent more turnover. Their job absentee rate was 5.8 percent higher - and marijuana users' rate 3.1 percent higher - than non-users.

However, Zwerling noted claims ''have been made that drug-abusing employees have three to four times as many accidents at work, have five times as many compensable injuries and use 16 times as much sick leave,'' as other workers.

Since a recent survey found that 20 percent of all workers are employed by companies with drug testing programs, it is ''surprising'' that only one previous published study has estimated the degree to which drug screening can predict job outcome, the researchers said in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

In an editorial accompanying the study, Eric Wish of the University of Maryland said several factors suggest that ''pre-employment drug testing may have limited potential in the United States.

''First, employers should remember that a single positive urine test provides limited information about a particular employee's level of drug use,'' Wish added. In addition, he said some prescribed drugs, and even some foods, such as poppy seeds, can produce positive results.

Zwerling's study found that 12 percent of the postal job seekers tested positive for drugs - two-thirds of them for marijuana. About 2 percent were positive for cocaine and 2 percent for other drugs, including amphetamines.

This ''low prevalence'' of drug use among workers is ''dwarfed'' by the 50 percent to 60 percent rate of cocaine use found among people arrested in the nation's largest cities, regardless of the crime, said Wish.

He said it may benefit society more to put resources into testing and treating drug abusers in the criminal justice system than ''for industry to use its limited resources to find the comparatively small number of recent, mostly marijuana users in primarily law-abiding employee populations.''

Zwerling said the question of whether it makes sense for employers to test workers for drugs may depend on variables such as geographical location and the nature of the job - especially, whether the job involves a high degree of risk.

''If injury means you may bang your ankle on the job, that's one thing. But if it means you may crash the airplane you are flying, that's quite another,'' he said.

The ''major weakness'' of the study was its inability to estimate the degree to which alcohol abuse may contribute to injuries, accidents, absenteeism and other problems on the job, he said.

Because alcohol disappears from the body in a matter of hours, Zwerling said it is impossible for urine tests to determine whether a person habitually abuses alcohol.

Another problem with the tests is that because cocaine can remain in the body for several days and marijuana for a month, ''there is no way of distinguishing whether someone used marijuana once in his life at a party two weeks before or abuses it all the time,'' Zwerling said.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 27) UPI - Cross-border deals accounted for the majority of the value of all merger and acquisition activity in the 1990 third quarter, Mergers & Acquisitions magazine reported Tuesday.

On an overall basis, the magazine said third-quarter activity reflected the slowing pace of the market with 810 completed mergers, acquisiitons, and divestitures valued at $42.9 billion for the 378 deals in which prices were announced.

In the 1989 third quarter, there were 814 completed deals valued at $52.8 billion. During the 1990 third period, there were 112 foreign acquisitions of U.S. companies valued at $14.7 billion and 57 U.S. acquisitions of companies abroad with a value of $7.5 billion. Their combined value of $22.2 billion was about 51.8 percent of the total reported dollar value of $42.9 billion, the magazine said.

The volume of international cross-border deals reflected increased commitments to global markets being made by major companies, M&A said. The largest deal of the quarter was Philip Morris Cos.' acquisition of Swiss coffee and chocolate giant Jacobs Suchard Ltd. for $3.8 billion.

Other deals of note included the purchase of Rorer Group Inc. by France's Rhone-Poulec SA for $3.3 billion, the $2.2 billion acquisition of Motel 6 by Accor SA of France and Swiss-based Roche Holdings Ltd's purchase of Genentech Inc. for $2 billion.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - Saudi Arabia's foreign minister met in Moscow today with Soviet President Gorbachev to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. The Soviets are sending an envoy to Cuba as Moscow intensifies its diplomatic efforts in the days before an expected U-N resolution to allow the use of force to remove Iraq from Kuwait. One Soviet diplomat explained the flurry of activity by saying- ''Time left for a peaceful solution of the conflict is running out.''

The Israeli Army says five of its soldiers and two rebels died in overnight attacks along the border with Lebanon. Hours after the overnight attack, Israeli airplanes this morning bombed what Israel says were bases in Lebanon belonging to two Palestinian guerrilla groups. Israeli leaders are suggesting that Islamic fundamentalists, spurred on by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, may be sparking the recent increase in the region's level of violence.

The surprise resignation of Polish Prime Minister Thadeusz Mazowiecki has changed the lineup in the race to elect Poland's next president. Mazowiecki came in third during Sunday's balloting and resigned yesterday, saying the results show voters don't like his economic austerity plans. His backers are now being asked to support rival Lech Walesa as the lesser of two evils in a December 9th runoff against expatriate Canadian businessman Stanislaw Tyminski. A move to replace Mazowiecki as premier also is under way, with one aide to Walesa suggesting that he and several other Walesa aides might be candidates.

Relatives of two jailed activists in China have been told that charges of sedition and counter-revolution have been filed against the pair, jailed for taking part in the 1989 Tiananmen democracy movement. Filing of formal charges generally is considered the same as a conviction under China's socialist legal system. The sedition charge is the more serious of the two and conviction normally carries penalties ranging from long prison terms to death.

Rhode Island's attorney general says a warrant is out for the arrest of the fugitive president of a financially troubled Providence bank. Joseph Mollicone Junior has been missing for more than two weeks and a grand jury is investigating 13-Million dollars in apparently fraudulent loans made at his Heritage Loan and Investment Company. Among the recipients listed on the bogus loans are Mollicone's father-in-law and the mayor-elect of Providence. Dozens of those listed said they never signed for loans nor got any money.

There is both summery and wintry weather to report in the nation's midsection today. Ice covers roads in Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and South Dakota where wind chills have dropped near zero. All of this is drifting toward the Great Lakes where Chicago is enjoying record highs for this date in the upper 60's. But the UNexpected warmth is accompanied by winds that gusted to 90 miles an hour at one point, ripping part of the roof off a building in Elgin, Illinois.

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LONDON (NOV. 27) UPI - In his campaign for prime minister, Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd found himself in the unaccustomed position of appealing to public sentiment.

He wore louder ties than usual and gestured more aggressively all to make the point that he doesn't lack charisma.

But the public was not buying it. Latest polls showed the Conservatives would fall behind the Labor Party by as much as 22 percent if he was their leader, costing him support on the second ballot for Conservative Party chief.

The tall, composed man calls himself the candidate of unity.

Many believed he would make a good party leader, unifying all factions. His political views tend toward the liberal wing of the Tory party, and he has promised a review of the unpopular poll tax. He is also pro-European unification, as opposed to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

Hurd, 60, is the son and grandson of Tory MPs. Raised in comfortable rural surroundings, he was educated at Eton and Cambridge with a view toward service to his country.

He spent 14 years as a career diplomat, and distinguished himself as foreign secretary for his tough line on the gulf crisis.

His supporters said Hurd would be a ''safe pair of hands'' as prime minister, trusted to continue Thatcher's economic programs and aggressive foreign policy.

But his background, seen as patrician, made him an easy target for the opposition Labor Party.

Hurd was at pains to describe himself as just another bloke, saying his father's 500-acre farm was not the best land in Oxfordshire, and he attended Eton on scholarship.

If all else fails, Hurd has the advantage of having another successful career, as a novelist. He has written eight political thrillers.

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#90331u1019 11/27/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (NOV. 27) UPI - Michael Heseltine is the man who brought down the Iron Lady. Now he wants to succeed Margaret Thatcher as Britain's next prime minister but he may have made too many enemies.

The man nicknamed Tarzan for his long, flowing locks, lean good looks and unpredictable personality fought long and hard to position himself for a move into 10 Downing Street.

Heseltine outlined his future on the back of an envelop while an undergraduate at Oxford - millionaire, then parliamentary member, then prime minister by age 55.

He made his bundle in real estate and publishing before winning election to

Parliament in 1966. Thatcher promoted the charismatic young Conservative to defense secretary in January 1983, but he resigned three years later ostensibly in a clash over a bid to save Britain's only helicopter manufacturer.

It was in fact Thatcher's leadership style that rubbed Heseltine's proud personality the wrong way. He has stalked her ever since.

While Heseltine is running behind on his personal timetable - he is 57 - some say his political timing is incorrigibly ambitious.

Many right-wing Tories will never forgive him for ousting Britain's greatest post-war leader on the eve of a potential conflict in the gulf.

It was his challenge of Thatcher's leadership of the party, issued over her stand on Europe, her unyielding support of an unpopular new tax and her potential liability in a general election, that led to her decision to step down.

Heseltine failed to beat Thatcher on a first ballot last Tuesday but also denied her victory, holding her margin to 54 percent of the vote, .4 percent short of what she needed.

Heseltine's supporters said he was the only man brave enough to do the job.

He has called for a review of the poll tax but claims he is a mainstream Conservative on other issues, the true inheritor of Thatcher's economic reforms.

The Heseltine camp pointed to his charismatic style as a rallying point for the party in looking toward the next general election, due by mid-1992.

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#90331u1021 11/27/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 27) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

Detroit - Agreed to terms with outfielder John Shelby on a 1-year contract.

College

James Madison - Announced resignation of football coach Joe Purzycki, who will be reassigned to other duties within the athletic department.

Mississippi State - Annonced resignation of football coach Rocky Felker.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 27) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Tuesday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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MONTERREY, Mexico (NOV. 27) UPI - President Bush said Tuesday that while the United States endorses a common market, ''we reject the idea of a world divided into isolated trading blocks.''

He made the remarks in an address to the Monterrey community as he wound up two days of talks with Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortar.

''As we meet,'' Bush said, ''we are poised to conclude negotiations on international trade that will bring greater opportunity to our peoples. We must press now for the successful conclusion of the world trade talks known as the Uruguay Round of GATT (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade).

''The critical moment is at hand,'' Bush added. ''We must not let the Uruguay Round fail.''

The world trade negotiations are stalled over European agricultural subsidies.

''As two of the world's largest economies, we must insist that all our trading partners act in a spirit of fairness and openness,'' Bush said in the Mexican industrial metropolis often likened to Detroit.

''We know all too well that trade-distorting subsidies and artificial barriers create winners and losers before the game even begins,'' he said. ''We must insist that trade with the nations of Europe, Asia and elsewhere, at the very least, be conducted on a level playing field.''

Bush said a Bilateral Free Trade Agreement will allow the United States and Mexico ''to expand markets.''

''It will allow us to expand opportunity,'' he said, adding that when such an accord is reached by 1992, both countries will be able to produce goods and

services ''that are world-class, competitive.'' Furthermore, he said, it will be good for American and Mexican workers.

''I look forward to the day when we will meet to sign our names to a free trade agreement that will write a new page in North American history,'' he said.

''But while we endorse a common market,'' he added, ''we reject the idea of a world divided into isolated trading blocks. The United States and Mexico must set an example for all nations.''

The president also touched on the Persian Gulf crisis in his speech, saying Mexico and the United States ''stand united in rejecting aggression.''

In remarks before the Monterrey community, Salinas also denounced Saddam Hussein's takeover of Kuwait. ''No nation which respects the rule can allow the impunity of the aggression against Kuwait to stand,'' Salinas said.

Bush praised Mexico for increasing its contribution to the world oil market at a time of heavy stress and thanked the Mexican people ''for your world leadership.''

Tuesday morning, Bush and Salinas held the second in a pair of one- on-one meetings and also held a working breakfast with a few dozen business leaders from the United States and Mexico.

The breakfast session dealt with accelerated efforts by the United States and Mexico to reach a free trade pact, which the U.S. Chamber of Commerce estimates would double over the next 10 years the $52 billion in trade between the two North American neighbors.

The formal negotiations on the free trade agreement, which will parallel the trade agreement reached with Canada last year, are to begin next year.

During his two-day visit to Mexico, his first as president, Bush and Salinas also discussed a variety of other topics, ranging from the war on drugs and efforts to reduce border violence to the protection of the environment and the Persian Gulf.

But the focus has clearly been on trade and efforts to foster U.S.- Mexican relations, which have been strained in the past.

Bush told an estimated 250,000 people at Monterrey's Macro Plaza Monday night that relations between the two nations ''have never been better'' and called for a new era of cooperation.
adv 1:50 p.m. EST

Salinas, in remarks prepared for a state luncheon in Bush's honor Tuesday,

said, ''We gladly accept the responsibility of building a new relationship, aware that there is no time to be lost and prepared to tap the enormous wealth and creative imagination and talent that moves our societies.''

Salinas said his talks with Bush ''have been characterized by a dignified, cordial atmosphere. This is a reflection of the common objectives we pursue.''

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LONDON (NOV. 27) UPI - Salman Rushdie came out of hiding for the first time in 21 months and pleaded for Moslem faithful to end a death edict against him, saying the furor over his book ''The Satanic Verses'' was dying down.

In a late-night interview with BBC-TV Monday night, Rushdie called on hard-line Moslems to negotiate an end to the death sentence against him.

Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini issued the death sentence against Rushdie Feb. 14, 1989, four months before the Iranian spiritual leader died, for Rushdie's alleged blasphemy against Islam in ''The Satanic Verses.''

Moslem businessmen and government agencies offered a bounty to whoever killed Rushdie.

''It is a finished story to an extent. Let's find a way of putting a full stop to it,'' said Rushdie on the BBC's Late Show.

He went to the studios of the BBC for the show, the first time he has left hiding since shortly after the execution order was given.

Rushdie said some moderate Moslem groups had approached leaders of the Moslem faith in Britain and Iran to try to have the death order lifted.

But a spokesman for the Islamic Action Committee, a hard-line pressure group in Britain, said the death order would stand.

''The problem we have is the continued circulation of the book,'' the spokesman said.

Rushdie, an Indian-born British citizen, has said he cannot be accused of blasphemy since he was never a Moslem believer. He said moderate Moslems now accept that his novel was not intended as an insult to their religion.

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OMAHA (NOV. 27) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 1,000; slaughter steers and heifers slow, steady to 50 lower, most price pressure on select, slaughter cows and bulls not established; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-4 1100-1300 lb 81.00-82.50, few largely reputation fed 82.50-83.00, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 79.50-81.00, select 76.50- 79.50; heifers choice No 2-4 950-1250 lb 80.50- 82.00, some largely reputation fed 82.75- 83.00, select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 79.50-80.50, select 76.50-79.00.

Hogs 2,200; butchers closed steady to 1.00 higher, the advance confined to weights under 250 lb, No 1-3 220-260 lb 49.50-50.25, approximately 250 head 230-250 lb closed 50.50-51.00, No 2-3 260-290 lb 47.50-49.00, some No 1-3 260-270 lb 49.50; sows 20 percent, weights under 500 lb steady to 50 higher, over 500 lb mostly steady, No 1-3 350-500 lb 42.50- 43.00, No 2-3 500 650 lb 45.00-46.00.

Sheep 200, slaughter lambs and ewes steady, shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 110- 130 lb No 1-2 pelts 46.00-47.00, wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb 44.00-45.00, shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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#90331u1068 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (NOV. 27) UPI - Documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission indicate Maxxam intends to sell a stake in its Kaiser Aluminum Corp. subsidiary, a newspaper reported Tuesday.

Maxxam plans to use money from the sale to reduce its debts, SEC documents showed. The Houston-based Maxxam is controlled by financier Charles Hurwitz.

''The timing and price range of any offering have not yet been determined,'' company executives said in a prepared statement.

Kaiser Aluminum is a Houston-based company whose main operation, Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Co., is based in Oakland, Calif. Maxxam executives did not

comment on what percentage of the wholly owned subsidiary the company intends to retain.

Vahid Fathi, an analyst with Cleveland-based Prescott, Ball & Turben, told the Houston Chronicle that aluminum industry analysts have been reluctant to recommend Maxxam's stock because they are unfamiliar with logging and real estate - industries that affect Maxxam's other properties.

''It was a rather complicated form of amalgamation,'' Fathi said. ''Timberland real estate and aluminum - they don't exactly go hand in hand.''

Maxxam's Pacific Lumber Co., which is based in Scotia, Calif., harvests coastal redwoods and Douglas firs in northern California. Pacific Lumber has been attacked repeatedly by environmentalists in recent years.

Pacific Lumber controls the largest stand of virgin redwood trees left on private property, and environmentalists tried unsuccessfully earlier this month to persuade California voters to raise money to buy 3,000 acres of Pacific Lumber's land.

Other Maxxam subsidiaries are engaged in real estate development in the Southwest and Puerto Rico.

Kaiser is one of the world's largest aluminum producers, operating 20 plants in 10 states and five foreign countries, company records showed.

The bulk of Maxxam's revenues come from its aluminum operations. Last year, Maxxam had total sales of $2.4 billion, $2.2 billion of which was generated by Kaiser.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - The government, which has spent $112 million to subsidize farm exports since Oct. 1, may soon run out of money for the subsidies, Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter said Tuesday.

During a speech at the Agriculture Department's annual outlook conference, Yeutter emphasized the department's efforts to boost U.S. exports despite large crops worldwide and low market prices in the United States and abroad.

''We have a lot of (subsidy offers) out now. ... We intend to continue to do that, but it's a highly competitive situtation,'' Yeutter said. ''We will very likely exhaust our (Export Enhancement Program) budget in a relatively short time this year.''

If that happens, Yeutter said, the administration would discuss with Congress what to do about funding.

Since the fiscal year opened Oct. 1, the department has spent $112 million out of the $425 million appropriated for the EEP, the major U.S. export subsidy program, a Foreign Agricultural Service official said.

The new five-year farm policy law, expected to be signed this week by President Bush, would allow the government to spend at least $500 million this fiscal year on the EEP.

Under the EEP, which was created in 1985, exporters are given bonus amounts of government-held surplus commodities if they lower their prices to make a sale to a targeted country.

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LONDON (NOV. 27) UPI - Conservative members of Parliament voted Tuesday for a new party leader and head the British government in a time-honored process.

Voters elect their MPs directly, and the leader of the majority party is then asked by the queen to form a government.

When the prime minister loses the confidence of her party, as Margaret Thatcher did, members may demand a leadership contest. Only MPs who are in the majority party are allowed to vote for their party leader.

When the new leader is chosen, he or she is summoned to Buckingham Palace to meet with the queen and formalize the transfer of power of the premiership.

The British government and its institutions are a product of slow evolution over centuries, and may seem quirky to Americans who have an almost mythical faith in their written constitution with its efficient and democratic checks and balances.

The British system relies on unwritten rules and understanding between the houses of Commons and Lords, the political parties and the royal family. The codes of behavior work most of the time to produce a government by consensus.

The head of state for the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is officially Queen Elizabeth II. The queen calls on the ruling party to form a government and must assent to all the acts of Parliament, much in the way a U.S. president can veto a congressional bill.

In practice, the prerogative is mostly ceremonial. History has reduced the monarch's powers - the queen acts on advice of her government ministers that she cannot ignore.

Parliament itself is divided into two branches, the House of Lords and the

House of Commons, the roots of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, respectively.

The House of Lords, comprised of hereditary titleholders, honorary titleholders and religious leaders, has 1,187 members, about 300 of whom regularly attend its sessions.

The House of Commons has 650 members from constituencies in England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Bills become law much as in the United States, by being approved by both houses. The House of Lords, however, is required to approve all bills having to do with finance that already have been passed by the Commons.

In practice, there has been a two-party system in Britain for the past 150 years, with seven general elections won by the Conservatives and six by Labor since 1945.

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VIENNA (NOV. 27) UPI - An international team conducting a routine inspection of Iraq's nuclear facilities found no evidence that Baghdad is trying to build nuclear weapons, according to a report released Tuesday.

The inspection last week by the Vienna-based International Atomic Energy Agency turned up no evidence of changes in the use of nuclear facilities and radioactive materials known to be held by Iraq, the IAEA report said.

The three-sentence statement, released at Baghdad's request, said the ''status of nuclear material under safeguards in Iraq'' was unchanged since the last routine inspection in April 1990.

''At that time the conclusion was reached that all nuclear material under safeguards was accounted for,'' the report said.

Full details of the investigation are kept secret under IAEA regulations.

Western governments and the United States in particular were hoping the investigation would shed light on Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's nuclear ambitions.

Despite Iraqi denials, a number of intelligence experts have concluded that Baghdad is intent on developing nuclear weapons as well as ballistic missiles that could accurately deliver the devices.

The purpose of the IAEA visit was to inspect the remains of Iraq's sole Osirak nuclear plant, which was destroyed in a 1981 Israeli bombing raid. In the

wreckage of the reactor building are fuel rods containing about 25 pounds of enriched uranium, enough for a small nuclear weapon.

The investigators also toured a nuclear fuel processing laboratory and storage sites to ensure that radioactive materials there were being used only for peaceful purposes, IAEA officials said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - The New York Daily News charged Tuesday that ''intimidation and threats'' by striking union employees have scared away its largest advertisers - including Alexander's department stores, a $9 million-a-year ad account.

Alexander's announced Monday that it had no plans to continue advertising in the News ''at this time,'' adding that it was making an ongoing evaluation of all media.

News spokesman John Sloan refused to verify Alexander's withdrawal, commenting ''Due to the pattern of intimidation and threats against our advertisers, we are not going to confirm or deny any specific advertisers either leaving or staying in the News.

''We consider this continued intimidation and these threats grounds for criminal conspiracy charges, and when these issues are resolved and the strike concluded, any advertisers that have temporarily left the paper will come quickly back to the News.''

Alexander's completed the withdrawl of the News' ''big three'' advertisers, all department store chains. Macy's and A&S stores, both of which spent at least $6 million on News ads annually, stopped advertising last week.

Most small advertisers also have withdrawn, leaving the News with only 40 of its 615 pre-strike advertisers, according to striking ad employees at the News York Newspaper Guild strike headquarters.

''The paper had gross revenues of $420 million last year and 75 percent of that came from ads,'' a Guild spokesman said. ''If the News doesn't negotiate an end to this strike soon, it will be forced to close down.''

About 2,500 members of the Guild and eight unions represented by the Allied Printing Trades Council walked off their jobs at the News Oct. 25 after 10 months of fruitless contract negotiations. Since then there have been sporadic talks between union negotiators and managment with federal mediators in attendance.

''Right now there are no talks scheduled,'' said APTC spokesman Al Reiner.

''The News has made no attempt to get negotiations rolling although we have repeatedly said we were ready to resume talks anytime.''

Before the strike, The News, founded in 1919, was the largest- circulation local newspaper in New York. It is owned by the Tribune Co., the Chicago-based publishing, broadcasting and entertainment conglomerate.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - The Supreme Court Tuesday ruled that federal law pre-empts most state regulations governing self-funded group insurance plans used by millions of American workers.

The court in effect said that uninsured employee benefit plans are not technically considered ''insurance companies'' for the purposes of state laws that regulate insurance, and thus are governed by the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

The case involved an appeal by FMC Corp., a Delaware-based company that $perates a self-funded employee benefit plan, the FMC Salaried Health Care Plan. All funds used in the plan come directly from the company, which does not purchase insurance to provide the benefits.

Federal studies show the type of group health insurance plan used by FMC - self-funded rather than insured - cover more than 9.5 million Americans. In fact, a 1986 federal study showed more than half of all U.S. workers with health insurance belong to self-funded health funds.

In the case decided Tuesday, the court ruled that the 1974 federal law permits a company's self-funded health care plan, which has been obliged to pay hospital bills after an accident, to collect reimbursement from money the injured member received in a separate civil lawsuit.

The case involved 15-year-old Cynthia Holliday, seriously injured in a traffic accident on Jan. 16, 1987, in White Township, Pa.

Her father worked for FMC, and Cynthia was covered under the company's group health insurance plan. She suffered a skull fracture and permanent brain damage in the crash, and within a year of the accident hospital bills totaled more than $178,000.

FMC health care plan paid its share of the bills, but sought partial reimbursement from about $50,000 the Hollidays received in a settlement resulting from a suit against the negligent driver.

A district court and the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals agreed that Pennsylvania state law makes it clear FMC was not entitled to reimbursement

from money obtained in the civil suit, despite a clause in the company's health plan that would seem to specifically permit it.

But the Supreme Court Tuesday, by a 7-1 vote, said ERISA, not state law, governs these types of cases. ERISA allows self-funded plans to enforce such subrogation clauses to collect reimbursement.

Justice John Paul Stevens dissented from the opinion, and Justice David Souter who was not yet on the bench when the case was argued Oct. 2, took no part in the decision.

The majority opinion, written by Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, was based in large part on the ''deemer clause'' of ERISA, which states that a benefit plan shall not be ''deemed an insurance company'' for purposes of the insurance company exclusion clause.

The case sparked interest from a wide range of groups, including the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, which had urged the action taken by the court, noting that increased state regulation would be ''devastating to the employers that have chosen to self-insure their plans,'' and would ''ultimately result in diminished coverage for workers and their dependents.''

A coalition of labor unions also urged the court to overturn the 3rd Circuit decision, arguing that if companies were precluded from seeking such reimbursement, insurance costs for all workers would rise.

State and local government groups, however, including the National Conference of State Legislatures and the U.S. Conference of Mayors, had warned that reversing the ruling would ''oust the states of a large portion of their authority to regulate insurance'' and create ''wholly irrational distinctions'' in state law governing employees covered by insured health plans and those with self-funded plans.

In his dissent, Stevens said the court had forged a ''broad and illogical distinction'' between the two types of insurance coverage.
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(NOV. 27) UPI - Early results are expected in about an hour in the vote to determine the next prime minister of Britain. As balloting began in an oak-paneled committee room at Westminster Palace, three men were running for the position vacated by Margaret Thatcher. Her choice for the job is Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major, who's up against Conservative Michael Heseltine and Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd.

Major has bristled at the implication he may be a puppet of the so- called

''Iron Lady.'' IN HIS WORDS- ''I am not running as 'son of Thatcher.'''

The Commerce Department says the U-S merchandise trade deficit rose to nearly 30-BILLION dollars during the third quarter. That's up from a revised deficit of about 23-BILLION in the second quarter. Petroleum imports increased three and one-half-BILLION dollars to 15- point-seven-BILLION, reflecting increases in prices and volume because of the Persian Gulf crisis. The gulf conflict added almost 10 dollars to the price of a barrel of oil between July and September. The increases in NON-petroleum products were mostly in automotive products from Canada and Mexico, and in consumer goods.

In related news, the New York-based Conference Board reports that consumer confidence edged down this month... following a similar drop in October. The private organization says its barometer of buyer confidence has fallen to what it calls ''rececession levels'' and is now only a bit above the figure recorded during the lowest point of the 1982 economic downturn. The board says Americans are less confident about current and future business conditions, and fewer of them are planning to buy homes or major appliances.

State Department officials have failed in efforts to keep some of the wives of U-S hostages held in Iraq from going to Baghdad to try to gain freedom for their husbands. There was a closed-door meeting in Houston last night with some of the hostage families, one of seven meetings around the country. Some of those present later said they disagree with Bush administration moves toward a possible military solution and instead favor negotiations. State Department officials say they canNOT guarantee the safety of any American going to Iraq.

Iran's official news agency says Tehran has sent home 479 Iraqi prisoners of war during the past week. Iran and Iraq resumed diplomatic ties last month, several weeks after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein made sweeping peace gestures which allowed him to move thousands of his troops from along Iran's border to Kuwait. Iran admits it still holds several thousand Iraqi P-O-W's taken during the eight-year Iran-Iraq war.

Denmark's parliamentary ombudsman has upheld the decision of a Danish hospital that denied the request of a lesbian couple for artificial insemination. The ruling found NO grounds for a complaint that the hospital was guilty of discrimination when it denied the request. There is NO written law in Denmark on the availability of artificial insemination but hospitals have their own guidelines, including one that a heterosexual couple must have lived together for at least three years before the procedure can be used.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Three players and the New England Patriots were fined a total of $72,500 Tuesday by the National Football League as the

culmination of the Lisa Olson sexual-harassment case.

Tight end Zeke Mowatt, cited by Olson as the instigator of the Sept. 17 locker room incident, was fined $12,500, while wide receiver Michael Timpson and fullback Robert Perryman were fined $5,000 each. Perryman was released by the Patriots on Nov. 6 and now plays for the Dallas Cowboys.

The Patriots franchise was fined $25,000 and assessed an additional $25,000 penalty that will be used to defray the cost of preparing instructional materials for all NFL personnel, including players, on responsible dealings with the media.

NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue reached his decision following a review of a 60-page report submitted by special counsel Philip Heymann of Harvard Law School.

Heymann, formerly a prosecutor in the Watergate scandal, was appointed Oct. 1 to investigate Olson's allegations.

In a letter addressed to Patriots owner Victor Kiam, Tagliabue wrote: ''This entire episode was distasteful, unnecessary and damaging to the league and others. It included a mix of misconduct, insensitivity, misstatements and other inappropriate actions or inaction, all of which could and should have been avoided.''

Olson, a 26-year-old reporter for the Boston Herald, no longer covers the Patriots. She has been reassigned to cover the NBA Celtics and NHL Bruins.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 27) UPI - The Soviet Parliament gave preliminary approval Tuesday to a bill on referendums that appears to rule out popular votes on some of the most important issues in the country.

Although President Mikhail Gorbachev and other officials have recently responded to many problems by calling for referendums on such issues as secession from the union and land reform, the Soviet Union has never had such a vote or a mechanism for holding one.

The prohibition on referendums on public officials would appear to stymie Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin's call for a plebiscite on Gorbachev's performance as Soviet president.

The law on referendums approved on first reading Tuesday in the central Supreme Soviet, or parliament, says referendums can be held on ''laws of the U.S.S.R. and most important matters of state life.''

But according to a report by the official Tass news agency, the bill would exclude a long list of important questions from those that can be decided by referendum, including ''the appointment and discharge of officials'' and ''change in the status and territorial integrity of subjects of the federation.''

The restrictions in the law appear to contradict Gorbachev's challenge to the Baltic republics and others that want to break from the Soviet Union to decide the issue by referendum. Gorbachev repeated that challenge Tuesday at a meeting of Russian legislators, even as the law was being considered in another building at the Kremlin.

The draft law on referendums will be submitted by the Supreme Soviet, the standing Parliament, to the larger Congress of People's Deputies for final approval at the Congress's session beginning Dec. 17.

Under the law only the Congress of Peoples's Deputies or the Supreme Soviet can call a referendum, although republics and citizens groups can request such a vote.

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BAMAKO, MALI (NOV. 27) UPI - Liberian rebels attending peace talks accused West African countries of bombing rebel positions in Liberia Tuesday in the first clash during a summit of regional leaders described as the strife-torn nation's last chance'' for peace.

However the discussions received a boost when the Ivorian president, Felix Houphouet-Boigny, arrived at Bamako airport with senior ministers, Malian state radio reported.

Tom Woweiyu, spokesman for the rebel National Patriotic Front of Liberia, said forces of the Economic Community of West African States bombed Cape Mount and Lofa counties in western Liberia while the first round of talks was going on Tuesday morning.

President Ali Saibou of Niger, one of 13 West African leaders attending the ECOWAS extraordinary summit held to discuss the Liberian crisis, said: ''Essentially this conference is the last chance.''

Woweiyu said ''while everybody is smiling in our faces our people are being killed. There's a chance for a whole lot of good things to happen at the talks and we are hoping to have a cease-fire during the talks.''

Woweiyu, who was speaking after the second meeting between the NPFL leader Charles Taylor and Presidents Joseph Momoh of Sierra Leone and Mousse Traore of Mali, indicated that the NPFL has no intention of abandoning the

extraordinary ECOWAS summit meeting despite continued bombing of NPFL positions by ECOWAS forces.

At least 7,000 people have died in the 11-month Liberian civil war.

Dr. Abbas Bundu, the secretary-general of ECOWAS, refused to comment on the accusation that the bombing had taken place. Woweiyu said he had radio contact with NPFL troops in Liberia who confirmed that they had been attacked.

The presidents of Sierra Leone and Mali met with Charles Taylor for three hours early Tuesday. They had hoped to make recommendations to the full heads of state meeting that was scheduled for Tuesday afternoon, but their talks did not produce substantive proposals and the full meeting was delayed.

Early Tuesday the president of Burkina Faso, Blaise Compaore, arrived in Bamako. Compaore has been the NPFL's main military backer in the region, acting as a conduit for Libyan weapons which have been transported for the past 11 months through the Ivory Coast.

Delegates of the Liberian interim government also arrived Tuesday morning. But Dr. Amos Sawyer, the interim president installed in the Liberian capital Monrovia Nov. 21, did not immediately show up.

Sources in Bamako said Sawyer had been prevented from attending the meeting due to Charles Taylor's claim that he himself is president of Liberia. The Sawyer interim government, which is protected by an ECOWAS force of 6,000 soldiers, heavy artillery and jet fighters from the Nigerian air force, does not recognize Taylor as president, but has allotted him the position of speaker in the interim administration.

Taylor, who controls over 80 percent of Liberia, has already appointed himself president with a capital in the central Liberian town of Gbarnga.

However, when he arrived in the Malian capital Monday, he was not given the ceremony normally accorded to heads of state, and was met by the Malian foreign minister and not the president.

Rebels loyal to rival renegade leader Prince Johnson tortured to death Liberian President Samuel Doe Sept. 9, ending a decade of cruel rule by the former master sergeant in the nation founded by freed U.S. slaves in 1847.

Until Doe staged a bloody takeover in 1980, the West African nation was ruled by descendants of its American founders.

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WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (NOV. 27) UPI - Purdue's Gene Keady, named Tuesday to

coach the U.S. basketball team for the 1991 Pan American Games, thrives on the chance to restore American basketball to gold-medal status in world competition.

American losses at the 1987 Pan American Games, 1988 Olympics and this year's Goodwill Games and world championships have dropped the U.S. team behind the Yugoslavians and Soviets in international play. The squad Keady takes to Cuba next August will feel the pressure of those past defeats.

''There's no doubt we'll feel the heat,'' Keady said. ''The most pressure is what you put on yourself. International play has improved. The rest of the world has gotten better. We've had to play against older guys. Those aren't excuses. Those are just the facts.''

Keady, 54, coached the winning team in the 1979 National Sports Festival and guided a U.S. team to victory in the 1988 Jones Cup in Taiwan. The Larned, Kan., native was an assistant at Arkansas and spent two seasons coaching Western Kentucky before joining Purdue. Keady has a 216-94 record after a 1-1 start in his 11th season with the Boilermakers while his career record in just over 12 seasons is 254-113.

''This has to be without a doubt the biggest honor I've ever received, especially given the time we're at in international play,'' Keady said. ''I'm proud they would feel the confidence in me to go in there and get the job done. Hopefully we can win a gold medal. It's important to every coach in America and I'm proud to represent them.''

Keady's appointment must be approved by the U.S. Olympic Committee, but they have traditionally confirmed their selection committee's decision. Keady will choose three assistants from a list determined by U.S. amateur basketball officials.

''This is the second-greatest honor a coach can achieve, next to the Olympics '' Keady said. ''And with a pro coach set for the next Olympics, it may be the greatest honor a college coach can achieve. It's the culmination of a lot of years of experience.''

Professional players are eligible for the 1992 Olympic team but not for the next Pan Am Games in Havana. That will make the bonding process so crucial for U.S. teams a bit easier on Keady.

''Every year you learn more about (putting a team together),'' Keady said. ''In a situation where we're together over a long period of time, you have to have kids who get along and have good team chemistry and play unselfishly. A big thing to the selection committee will be having people who can hit from 3-point range.''

Keady expects a tryout camp in Colorado Springs, Colo., next April or early

May with final choices made at workouts in Colorado Springs or West Lafayette.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - American master photographer Paul Strand felt the best photographs come from the artist's soul and he must have been onto something for he produced many powerful and moving images during a long career.

''The decision as to when to photograph, the actual click of the shutter, is purely controlled from the outside, by the flow of life; but it also comes from the mind and heart of the artist,'' Strand once said. ''The photograph is his vision of the world and expresses, however subtly, his values and convictions.''

The full range of Strand's accomplishments has not been fully appreciated by the public but an upcoming exhibition may change that.

The National Gallery of Art previewed a collection Tuesday of about 150 Strand photographs that will go on public view Dec. 2 until Feb. 3, 1991.

''Paul Strand has produced some of the most compelling and significant photographs of this century,'' National Gallery of Art Director J. Carter Brown said in describing the exhibition. ''We look forward to expanding the public's knowledge of this exceptional American artist in the United States and abroad.''

It is the first major Strand retrospective in this country since a 1971 Philadelphia Museum of Art exhibition.

Strand was born in 1890 in New York City and published his first photograps in the periodical Camera Work in 1916 and 1917.

A pioneer, Strand took close-up photographs and cut his subjects off from their surroundings. He also experimented with candid photography by taking pictures of people without their being aware of it.

During the 1920s, Strand photographed machine parts and made studies of plants always seeking to reveal the inner beauty of simple things.

During the 1930s and 1940s, Strand examined the relationships between people, objects and their environment in his photographs of New Mexico and Mexico.

Strand moved to France in the early 1950s and for the next 20 years he tried to show ''stories of human victories, however small, in the struggle for social health and well-being.''

Old and in ill health, his last photographs were taken in his garden at his

home in Orgeval, France. Strand was still searching for fresh pictures and trying to take another ''expedition into the unknown.''

He died in 1976.

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PRETORIA, South Africa (NOV. 27) UPI - President Frederik de Klerk and black leader Nelson Mandela affirmed their commitment Tuesday to power-sharing negotiations to end South Africa's racial conflict but expressed concern over recent developments that have threatened the peace process.

A joint statement issued at the end of a two-hour meeting said the two men agreed to meet again ''from time to time in the coming weeks and months'' to personally deal with a series of issues endangering their racial reform efforts.

''Having reaffirmed their commitment to and faith in the peaceful negotiation process, they expressed their concern about developments threatening this process,'' the statement said without elaborating on specific issues or when the nation's two most powerful men would again meet.

It was about the ninth time the two men have met privately since de Klerk ordered Mandela's release from 27 years imprisonment in February at the start of a sweeping racial reform program that included a proposal for formal negotiations with black leaders on a post-apartheid constitution.

The two leaders acknowledged the ''value of personal contact'' and suggested an even closer working relationship was developing in an effort to breathe new life into a process that many observers believe has lost the momentum it developed with Mandela's release and the unbanning of the African National Congress.

In recent months, the reform process has come under increasing strain as the ANC and de Klerk's white minority government have disagreed sharply over the interpretations of agreements reached at two major meetings in May and August and the behavior of the South African security forces.

When Mandela arrived at the main government Union Buildings complex on a hilltop overlooking Pretoria Tuesday afternoon, he told reporters he expected a ''very sensitive'' meeting with de Klerk. When he emerged, he described the mood as ''very cordial as useful'' and said the two- hour session had been ''productive.''

Among a number of sensitive public issues is the ANC's decision in August to suspend its 29-year guerrilla war against white rule in exchange for further reforms, an agreement that seemed to clear the path to formal power-sharing

negotiations.

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LONDON (NOV. 27) UPI - Stock prices closed slightly higher in cautious trading on the London International Stock Exchange Tuesday, but political uncertainty within the Conservative Party kept professional investors sidelined.

Share prices again fell sharply on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. Volume was moderate.

In London, the blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 18.6 points Monday, closed up 7.6 points to 2,159.5. The narrower top 30 industrial average added 1.1 points to 1,699.7.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 378 million shares, up from 346 million traded Monday.

Traders said the market was taking a breather after recording substantial gains last week.

Most major investors remained to the sidelines as Tory ministers of Parliament prepared to vote Tuesday on selecting a new head of the ruling Conservative Party. The three contenders - Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major, Michael Heseltine and Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd - each expressed optimism that he would win.

As party chief, the victor will become the next prime minister of Britain, succeeding Margaret Thatcher.

She has said she favors Major, whose camp said it had at least 160 votes - 27 fewer than needed for victory. If none of the three garners 187 votes, a runoff ballot will be held Thursday.

Heseltine, a former defense secretary whose challenge led to Thatcher's resignation, said he had more but declined to give a figure. Hurd's supporters predicted he would post a close second and win in a runoff.

If all of their figures were to be believed, the total far exceeds the 372 members of parliament who will be voting, analysts noted.

Analysts said investors were encouraged by the New York Stock Exchange's recovery late Monday, and stocks opened stronger with the Financial Times 100 Index up more than 14 points around midday.

But the prospect that no clear winner would emerge from the Conservative

leadership vote added uncertainty toward the close of the London session.

The Persian Gulf crisis was another factor restraining investor enthusiasm, analysts said.

On the corporate news front, drink concern Allied Lyons reported its latest earnings rose 10 percent. However, the shares fell 28 cents to $9.17 after the company said its tax charge could be as high as 32 percent for the year.

Thorn EMI fell 19 cents to $12.14 after a local brokerage house told clients to sell in the wake of Matsushita's $6.13 billion takeover of MCA.

The Japanese electronics giant is paying far less than expected for MCA, putting a different complexion on the likely value of Thorn's music business, analysts explained.

A fresh hike in crude oil prices boosted London & Scottish Marine Oil 27 cents to $8.32.

In Germany, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed sharply lower in moderate trading. The closely watched German Stock Index, which plummented 40.36 points Monday, fell another 27.90 points to 1,415.26.

Traders said stocks fell as a confluence of negative news in the market led buyers to keep a low profile and encouraged sellers to mark down stocks.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 27) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev warned the Russian Federation Tuesday that the secession threatened by republic President Boris Yeltsin would destroy both the republic and the Soviet Union.

Gorbachev made the remarks at an extraordinary congress of deputies from the Russian Federation at which he launched his campaign to persuade the nation's 15 republics to sign a treaty that would reconstitute the country into a ''Union of Sovereign Soviet Republics.''

''There will be no union without Russia, nor will Russia be able to exist without the union,'' Gorbachev said.

But under prodding by Yeltsin, the congress refused even to put the treaty on the agenda but did agreed to exchange views on the principles for such an accord.

Despite its vast size, covering three quarters of the country and with half of its population, the Russian Federation must surrender its resources to the central industrial ministeries who dispose of them and return nominal profits

to the republic.

Even the prestige of Yeltsin has not been able to break the central government's control of Russia's oil, coal, natural gas and timber reserves - which spurs the republic's desire for economic and political autonomy.

Gorbachev, however, told the legislators a fair division of wealth would be creation of ''a union of sovereign states in which each people will have rights and feel confident, and, in addition will remain together.''

He called opponents of the treaty ''bawlers'' and dared them to put their convictions to the test by holding a referendum.

''Even those who are at the helm of power are afraid of holding a referendum '' he said.

As he challenged the federation to hold a plebiscite about Russia's status, Gorbachev's own Parliament, the Supreme Soviet, gave preliminary approval to a bill on conducting referendums that rules out a popular vote on changing borders and the appointment and sacking of officials.

Calls for referendums have resounded in the Russian and national parliaments this winter, with Gorbachev suggesting votes on land ownership and secession and Yeltsin demanding one on an assessment of Gorbachev's presidency.

While Gorbachev mocked Yeltsin for ''demagogic'' calls for referendums, Yeltsin struck back by noting that the nation is now appealing for food from abroad.

Gorbachev, the author of a 10-year food program while in charge of agriculture under Leonid Brezhnev, sat and listened to the onslaught.

''In the last decades we have made more than a few attempts to feed ourselves, worked out grandiose plans, promising bounty to the society, but none of them were fulfilled,'' Yeltsin said.

''Our country has reached the outer limits when the problem of food takes precedence over all others, whose delay threatens the rebirth of Russia,'' Yeltsin said.

As part of Yeltsin's attempts to untie the bonds that have submerged Russia within the Soviet socialist union, the Congress opened to the strains of a newRussian national anthem and discussions about a new constitution for the republic.

Gorbachev, who has vowed a political battle to keep the Soviet Union together, mocked the recent declarations of sovereignty by 14 of the 15 republics as a ''a parade of sovereignty'' declarations.

He also asked for an end to a ''war of laws'' in which republics have repeatedly declared Soviet laws subordinate to their own legislation.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - A decline in sales of previously owned single-family homes created buyer's markets in several areas of the country last month, the National Association of Realtors said Tuesday.

Sales of existing homes fell 4.7 percent in October from the month before to an annual rate of 3.02 million homes. This resale pace was 13.5 percent below year-ago levels, the association said. For the year, resales are expected to total 3.33 million units, down 4.1 percent from 1989.

The national median price for an existing single-family home fell in October to $92,800, down 1.7 percent from September but up 0.4 percent from the year-earlier median.

Harley Rouda, the association's president, said sellers appear to be adjusting their prices in a bid to crack a psychological barrier that has been erected in part by the general malaise sweeping the nation's economy and the threat of war in the Middle East.

"Consumers who are wondering whether to buy now should ignore the gloomy headlines and focus on their own housing situation - what they need, want and can afford," Rouda said.

The sales slowdown comes amid a relative stable period for mortgage rates, which have remained in a tightly confined track for the past several months. Rouda said mortgages remain plentiful despites the tightening of credit to commercial real estate developers in several regions.

"Favorable rates and willing sellers mean excellent opportunities for buyers," Rouda said. "Those who decide to wait for lower prices risk missing out." The month-to-month decline in median price does not mean houses are losing their value, Rouda said.

"Homes generally don't appreciate overnight. Monthly price increases are not reality and should not be taken for granted," he said, noting that October's median price was 23.4 percent higher than that of October 1985.

Declines in resale activity were posted throughout the nation and all regions but the West reported lower median prices. In the West, resales declined 5.8 percent to an annual rate of 490,000 units from September and were 19.7 percent below the year-ago rate. The median price of $140,000 was 4.4 percent higher than September's median and 0.2 percent higher than year-ago prices.

In the Northeast, the resale pace was 470,000 units, down 9.6 percent from September and 23.0 percent below year-ago levels. The region's median price slipped to $136,200, down 0.7 percent from September and 4.9 percent below year-earlier levels.

Resales in the South slipped 2.4 percent in September to an annual rate of 1.23 million units, down 5.4 percent from year-earlier levels. The region's median price was $83,400, down 2.9 percent from September and 0.2 percent from year-earlier figures.

The Midwest posted a resale rate of 820,000 units, down 5.7 percent from September and 15.5 percent below year-earlier levels. Midwestern homes carried a median price of $72,100, down 2.8 percent from September but up 0.7 percent from year-earlier levels.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 27) UPI - Anadarko Petroleum Corp. announced Tuesday its wholly-owned subsidiary, Anadarko Algeria Corp., has signed a contract with an Algerian drilling contractor to drill the first well of a multi-well program. The contract is with Entreprise Nationale des Travaux aux Puits. Plans call for the drilling to start in May 1991.

The agreement with ENTP is Anadarko's latest step in its ten-year joint venture with Sonatrach to find and develop crude oil reserves in the Algerian Sahara Desert.

"The contract with ENTP is significant in that it represents the results of competitive bidding and the commitment of a national public sector company to seek new deals with foreign competitors under new and more wide-open commercial and hydrocarbon regulations," said Robert J. Allison Jr., Anadarko chairman and chief executive officer.

Anadarko Algeria teamed up with Sonatrach under a production-sharing agreement signed by the two companies in October 1989, and opened its subsidiary headquarters office in Algiers in July 1990. In September 1990, Anadarko Algeria began full-scale operations of a seismic processing center 25 miles east of Algiers.

Earlier this month, Western Geophysical, under contract to Anadarko Algeria, started acquiring at least 500 kilometers of seismic in the first phase of a multi-year program in Anadarko's four contract blocks located in the Ghadames and Illizi Basins of southeastern Algeria.

The exploration license in Algeria covers an area of 5.1 million acres in the Grand Erg Oriental of the Sahara Desert. Anadarko Algeria is joined by one

partner, LASMO Oil (Algeria) Ltd., which holds a 25 percent interest in the project. Negotiations are under way with a second prospective partner.

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Monterrey, Mexico (NOV. 27) UPI - Hailing a new era of cooperation, President Bush and Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortar sought to move quickly Tuesday to reach a landmark free trade agreement between their two nations.

Bush and Salinas, wrapping up a two-day summit, pressed ahead on trade talks in the second of a pair of one-on-one meetings and also conferred with American and Mexican businessmen on their joint desire to lift tariffs and quotas.

Formal negotiations on the treaty are to begin next year and the White House has expressed hope that they can have a treaty in place by 1992.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce predicts that such a pact could double within 10 years the now annual $52 billion in trade between the North American neighbors.

But the AFL-CIO, along with some members of Congress, charged that such a free trade accord, with Mexico's rock-bottom wages, could lead to lost jobs and reduced wages in the United States.

The administration has attempted to maintain that those fears are unfounded and Tuesday Bush asked Mexican and American business leaders for help in winning approval for a free trade agreement.

Bush pointed out that he vetoed a recent textile bill as protectionism and said, ''This president will continue to veto protectionist legislation.''

Bush said, ''Negotiation for the free trade agreement is not going to be easy'' but he expressed hope it would succeed, saying, ''The most important step we can take together ... is the conclusion of free trade.''

Earlier, in an address to citizens of Monterrey in the City Theater, Bush drew applause when he said, ''Free trade is good for the United States and good for Mexico, good for American workers and good for the workers of Mexico.''

''As two of the world's largest economies, we must insist that all our trading partners act in a spirit of fairness and openness,'' Bush said in the Mexican industrial metropolis often likened to Detroit.

''We know all too well that trade-distorting subsidies and artificial barriers create winners and losers before the game even begins,'' he said. ''We must insist that trade with the nations of Europe, Asia and elsewhere, at the very least, be conducted on a level playing field.''

Bush said that a Bilateral Free Trade Agreement will allow the United States and Mexico ''to expand markets.''

''It will allow us to expand opportunity,'' he said, adding that when such an accord is reached by 1992, both countries will be able to produce goods and services ''that are world-class, competitive.'' Furthermore, he said, it will be good for American and Mexican workers.

''I look forward to the day when we will meet to sign our names to a free trade agreement that will write a new page in North American history,'' he said.

Bush praised Mexico for increasing its contribution to the world oil market at a time of heavy stress and thanked the Mexican people ''for your world leadership.''

During his two-day visit to Mexico, his first as president, Bush and Salinas also discussed a variety of other topics, ranging from the war on drugs and efforts to reduce border violence to the protection of the environment and the Persian Gulf.

But the focus has clearly been on trade and efforts to foster U.S.- Mexican relations, which have been strained in the past.

Bush told an estimated 250,000 people at Monterrey's Macro Plaza Monday night that relations between the two nations ''have never been better'' and called for a new era of cooperation.

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ORLANDO, FL (NOV. 27) UPI - The average price of gasoline nationwide edged up up by 0.7 cents to $1.366 a gallon during the past week, after dipping briefly before Thanksgiving, the American Automobile Association said Tuesday.

Prices are expected to rise further, perhaps as early as this weekend, because of a five-cent-a-gallon hike in the federal gasoline tax, AAA said. Fuel costs during the past week rose in New England, the Great Lakes region and the West, but declined slightly in other regions, AAA said.

A week ago, AAA reported that the average price for regular gasoline sold at self-service pumps had fallen by 2.6 cents a gallon. AAA said the rise in price last week means regular gasoline is now 29.1 cents more expensive than on Aug. 1, the day before Iraq seized Kuwait.

AAA also said motorists may see prices climb again over the weekend, if retailers begin to pass along the hike in the federal excise tax on gasoline.

The additional tax of five cents a gallon, which was approved by Congress and President Bush as part of a deficit reduction plan, takes effect Saturday. The tax will boost the current federal excise levy to 14 cents a gallon.

Also this week, AAA said the average self-serve price for mid-grade gasoline rose 0.8 cent to $1.453 a gallon, while the average price for premium fuel rose 0.7 cent to $1.537.

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JERUSALEM (NOV. 27) UPI - Five Israeli soldiers and two guerrillas were killed in southern Lebanon in the latest in a series of fatal attacks along Israel's borders this month, the army announced Tuesday.

Israeli leaders suggested Islamic fundamentalists, spurred on by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, and Syria's expanding influence in Lebanon may have sparked the rise in violence on the country's borders with Lebanon, Jordan and Egypt.

Israeli military officials differed on whether a higher state of tension had occurred in Israel's self-declared ''security zone'' in Lebanon. In less than a week, an Israeli navy patrol boat destroyed a guerrilla boat off the Lebanese coast and a female suicide bomber wounded two Israeli soldiers in the security zone.

Hours after late Monday's confrontation, Israeli airplanes bombarded bases in Lebanon belonging to two Palestinian guerrilla groups, the Abu Nidal organization and Naif Hawatme's Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

In the raid on the Abu Nidal base in Sharhabil, two were killed and three wounded, medical sources said. The DFLP said three died and two were injured in the raid on their position in the village of Baisour.

The Israeli army described the air raids early Tuesday as representing ''another link in the continuing effort to strike at terrorists' targets in southern Lebanon.''

''I do not think that the (security zone) sector is heating up,'' said Maj. Gen. Yossi Peled, commander of the Northern Command. ''The action is every day because we do not have a day or a night without incidents in the security zone. ... Today we paid. We paid big and heavy.''

The guerrillas involved in the confrontation late Monday in the buffer zone were from George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and were on their way toward Israel, an army spokesman. The air raids were north of the security zone, which Israel established in 1985.

The deaths bring to 11 Israeli soldiers and one Israeli civilian who have been killed along Israel's borders during November. On Sunday, four Israelis were killed and more than 20 wounded when an Egyptian gunman crossed the border and opened fire on passing vehicles.

Two soldiers also were killed early in November in separate infiltration attempts along the Jordanian border.

During Monday's clash, one soldier also was wounded during while two guerrillas escaped, one who apparently was wounded, the army spokesman said.

The Israeli army unit along the northwestern slopes of the security zone noticed the four guerrillas about 11 p.m. advancing toward Israeli territory. The soldiers opened fire and ''charged toward the terrorist cell,'' the army spokesman said.

The close-range gunfire and grenade explosions killed five soldiers and two guerrillas, the spokesman said. Along with weapons, the guerrillas were armed with explosive materials.

''The area of confrontation is known as an infiltration axis of terrorist cells toward Israel,'' the spokesman said. On Nov. 20, an Israeli officer and four guerrillas were killed in the same area but slightly north of the security zone.

Defense Minister Moshe Arens said he believed the increase in the ''intensitivity in activities'' in southern Lebanon might stem from Syria finding ''encouragement'' from its enhanced relations with the United States.

Right-wing Science and Technology Minister Yuval Ne'eman went further and said the United States had ''most certainly endangered'' Israel by its changed relations with Damascus. Ties between Syria and the United States have improved since Damascus the U.S.-led coalition against Iraq.

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#90331u1236 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - Yields fell on 2-year T-notes Tuesday to an average of 7.49 percent, the lowest since 7.39 percent in March 1988, the Treasury Department announced.

The government said it auctioned $12.3 billion of the 7 3/8 percent interest rate notes at an average of $99.790. At the October auction, the average yield was 7.84 percent.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (UPI) - The repaired shuttle Columbia, grounded since May by crippling hydrogen fuel leaks, was cleared Tuesday for a fifth predawn launch try Sunday to begin a 10-day astronomy mission.

After reviewing the status of launch processing, NASA managers said Columbia was finally ready for takeoff on the 38th shuttle mission at 1:28 a.m. EST Sunday.

At the controls will be commander Vance Brand, 59, and co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42. Their crewmates are John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46.

If all goes well, Columbia's countdown will begin at 1 a.m. Thursday with the shuttle's crew scheduled to fly to the Kennedy Space Center from Houston late that night for final preparations. The mission is scheduled to end Dec. 11 with a landing at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., at 8:25 p.m. PST.

The goal of the long-delayed flight, the sixth of 1990 and the 13th since the 1986 Challenger disaster, is to study the most violent objects in the universe with a $150 million battery of telescopes sensitive to X-rays and ultraviolet light that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

Data from the mission should help astronomers later gain insights into the nature of quasars, as-yet-unseen black holes, supernovae, interstellar gas and dust, stellar evolution and other critical questions in modern astronomy.

Columbia originally was scheduled for blastoff May 30, but the ship was grounded the night before during fuel loading when sensors detected explosive hydrogen gas building up in the shuttle's engine room.

A subsequent fueling test led engineers to believe the problem involved Columbia's 17-inch ''disconnect'' fitting, a massive fuel line coupling that allows the shuttle's external tank to be jettisoned in space.

The grounded orbiter then was hauled back to its hangar for repairs. Engineers later found damaged seals inside the disconnect fitting that appeared to explain the leak.

Columbia's half of the fitting was replaced with one from the new shuttle Endeavour and the tank half was replaced with one that performed particularly well in previous leak tests.

In the meantime, NASA proceeded with plans to launch the shuttle Atlantis in mid July on a secret military mission, but yet another leak was found.

With Atlantis back in its hangar for repairs, the presumably leak- free

shuttle Columbia was hauled back out to launch pad 39A for a Sept. 1 launch try. After a delay because of problems with an on-board telescope, engineers once again began pumping fuel aboard Sept. 5 for a Sept. 6 launch try.

And once again, a hydrogen leak appeared. But the leak was isolated to the shuttle's engine compartment - the disconnect fitting worked properly - and NASA managers decided to attempt a quick fix.

Three suspect fuel pumps were replaced and then, a damaged seal in a fuel line valve leading to one of Columbia's main engines. The shuttle was rescheduled for a fourth launch attempt on Sept. 18, but the leak, while smaller, had not been eliminated and the launch try was canceled the night before liftoff.

Engineers then replaced yet another damaged fuel valve seal and tightened up virtually every fitting and connector in the shuttle's engine room. The work apparently paid off and Columbia finally passed a fueling test last month without showing any signs of leakage.

Columbia, NASA's oldest shuttle will be making its 10th flight and at 59, Brand, veteran of three previous space missions, will become the oldest person to fly in space.

Along with accomplishing the primary goal of the mission, the shuttle fliers also plan to teach an astronomy lesson from space that will be beamed into middle school classrooms back on Earth.

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#90331u1274 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

DEARBORN, MI (NOV. 27) UPI - Ford Motor Co. said Tuesday its Parts and Service Division has signed an agreement with American Telephone & Telegraph Co. to speed up customer calls at Ford and Lincoln-Mercury dealers.

Through an equipment arrangement with AT&T, Ford's Rotunda Equipment Program is offering its 5,500 dealerships nationwide an array of automated voice systems, including automated service messaging, automated attendant and voice mail.

By entering a pre-arranged code number on the telephone keypad, each customer will receive a recorded message that his or her vehicle is ready to be picked up and that the work did not exceed the estimated price.

Or they may get a message that additional work is required. The system will then direct the customer to a service adviser, who can explain what is involved in the repair.

"The service messaging system is designed to reduce telephone backlogs and free service advisors to help customers in the service area," Joe Ogden,

Rotunda manager.

The system is now in use at about 84 Ford and Lincoln-Mercury dealers, company spokesman Jim Trainor said. The cost of the system ranges from $15,000 to $130,000, depending on dealer size and the amount of equipment to be installed he said.

Dealers will be expected to pay for the system, with no financial participation from Ford other than the reduced price negotiated with AT&T under the agreement.

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#90331u1279 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - The former chief federal savings and loan regulator told a Senate panel Tuesday he felt "awkward and pressured" during a 1987 meeting with four of the so-called Keating Five senators, but "personal dignity" prevented him from protesting his treatment.

During the sixth day of hearings before the ethics committee, Edwin Gray, chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board from May 1983 until June 1987, also sought to compare the senators' actions to rape, but was rebuffed by a lawyer representing one of the accused lawmakers.

The panel is trying to determine whether Sens. Alan Cranston, D- Calif., Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., John Glenn, D-Ohio, John McCain, R-Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich., exerted improper pressure on bank regulators to benefit indicted former S&L operator Charles Keating Jr., who donated $1.3 million to the senators' re-election campaigns and other favorite causes.

Gray attended a one-hour late afternoon meeting with Cranston, DeConcini, Glenn and McCain on April 2, 1987, in DeConcini's Capitol Hill office. Gray said he was instructed not to bring aides with him to the session and none of the senators brought aides.

Asked by committee special counsel Robert Bennett if he felt intimidated at the meeting, Gray paused, then said: "Yes, I felt awkward and pressured. The whole setting was an intimidating one under these circumstances because I had never had a meeting like this before."

He added, "There were only five there, five principals, myself and four United States senators - no one else to hear, no one else to know what was said. I recognized that immediately."

Bennett pressed Gray on why he did not put an end to the meeting or at least raise an objection. "I had a certain amount of personal dignity," Gray said. Gray also said he "needed their votes desperately" on legislation to help bolster the failing Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corp., while adding he

lacked the "temperment of a whistleblower."

Gray also said none of the efforts made by the five senators altered the way he or his staff handled a probe of Keating's Irvine, Calif., Lincoln Savings and Loan, whose 1989 failure is the largest collapse of the S&L scandal, costing taxpayers some $2 billion. "We did not succumb to that pressure," Gray testified. "We did not. No, nothing was speeded up; nothing was slowed down."

Gray said DeConcini offered him a deal on Keating's behalf at the meeting that involved withdrawing a federal regulation limiting risky direct investments by thrifts in exchange for having Lincoln make more home loans. "I considered it improper," Gray said of the DeConcini offer. None of the senators was present while Gray testified.

Gray drew the ire of Bennett and Cranston's lawyer, William Taylor, when he apparently sought to draw an analogy between the senators' actions and an attempted rapist or murderer.

"Let me just say this: someone who attempts to shoot someone, if you miss the target, it doesn't mean, or if you attempt to rape someone and you don't succeed - ," Gray said when interrupted by Bennett. Gray continued, "Well, I'm just saying if that happens, then it only - ," before Taylor objected. Gray did not finish his comment.

Gray is a crucial witness in the case against the five senators. The April 2, 1987, meeting and one on April 9, 1987, held by all five senators with other bank regulators.

In his opening statement Monday, Gray, without mentioning names, said Keating used "paid apologists" to do his work regarding regulatory matters. On the other hand, some lawmakers have accused Gray and other regulators of seeking to use the five senators as scapegoats for the S&L crisis, hiding their own failings during one of the largest financial scandals in the nation's history.

Gray told the committee that Keating, now facing racketeering charges in California, sought to remove him as a regulatory roadblock with a lucrative job offer in 1985, which Gray, through an assistant, rejected. But asked if he was "out to get" Keating, Gray said, "No."

About Riegle, the only one who did not attend the April 2 meeting, Gray said he was "shocked" to learn that Riegle attended the April 9 meeting, only to learn later Keating was a major contributor to the senator. He said he had regarded Riegle, now the Banking Committee chairman, as a "very friendly and understanding" ally who had offered "a shoulder to cry on."

Gray said he later sent Riegle detailed notes from the April 9 meeting, which Riegle attended, as a "senatorial courtesy" to "put him on notice that there was a record of that meeting."

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(NOV. 27) UPI - There will be a third Conservative Party vote in a bid to determine the next primer minister of Britain. Chancellor John Major won a second- round ballot today... but fell two votes short of the amount needed to immediately claim the position vacated by Margaret Thatcher. Major got 185 votes today, Michael Heseltine was in second place with 131, and Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd was third with 56 votes. Heseltine congratulated Major and urged that the party make the chancellor the next prime minister. That will be determined by a third Conservative Party vote now set for Thursday.

Margaret Thatcher may be down and out as Britain's first woman prime minister but she will continue attending parlimentary sessions as the representative for a north London constituency. Thatcher has made NO official statement on her future, although British newspapers are offering their own suggestions and predictions. One is that she eventually will write of her experiences, a tale that could fetch up to 10-Million dollars from a publisher.

Soviet President Gorbachev joined Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze for meetings today with visiting Saudi Foreign Minister Saud al Faisal. The session comes just one day after Gorbachev met with Iraq's Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and bluntly told him that time was running out for Iraq to get out of Kuwait. And Deputy Soviet Foreign Minister Vladimir Petrovsky is on his way to Iran with a message from Gorbachev on the crisis. Petrovsky has spent much of the past month shuttling around the Mideast as a special envoy.

President Bush and Mexican President Salinas wound up two days of trade meetings with a fancy state luncheon in Monterrey, an industrial city often compared with Detroit. Bush told the meeting that the United States and Mexico must be careful about what he terms ''trade-distorting subsidies and artificial barriers'' that create winners and losers ''before the game even begins.'' The two countries are working toward a trade agreement to be signed in 1992.

Both Bush and Salinas touched on the Persian Gulf in their remarks. Bush says Mexico and the United States ''stand united in rejecting aggression.'' And Salinas denounced Saddam Hussein's takeover of Kuwait.

The F-B-I says an 18-year-old Detroit woman allegedly kidnapped during the weekend has been found safe and UNharmed at a hotel in Las Vegas. But there is still NO word on the alleged kidnappers, identified as 33-year-old David House and 26-year-old Kenneth Studabaker. They had been driving the 1990 blue Toyota Tercel owned by Jamie Lee, kidnapped Saturday night along with two teen-age girls near Mount Clemens, Michigan, but are believed to be scouting around for another escape vehicle. Lee's two friends were released Sunday morning in Chicago.

The strike-bound New York Daily News confirms it has lost the six-Million-dollars a year advertising account from Alexander's department stores, the last of the so-called ''Big Three'' accounts at the newspaper. Macy's and the A-and-S Store chain stopped advertising in the Daily News last week and most small advertisers have also withdrawn, leaving the paper with just 40 of its 615 pre-strike accounts. The Daily News says the advertisers are being scared away by what it calls ''intimidation and threats'' by strikers.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (NOV. 27) UPI - The state of Rhode Island has secured a warrant for the arrest of Joseph Mollicone Jr., the missing president of a small, financially beleaguered bank that is missing $13 million, the top state prosecutor said Tuesday.

Attorney General James O'Neil said the warrant was issued Monday night by District Court Judge Francis Darigan, and charges Mollicone, 47, of Providence with embezzlement.

Mollicone has been missing since Nov. 8, and a grand jury investigation has begun into $13 million in apparently fraudulent loans that were made at his bank, Heritage Loan and Investment Co. of Providence.

O'Neil declined comment on whether investigators have any clues as to where Mollicone is. He said the warrant was obtained to assure Mollicone's appearance in court in the event he does turn up.

Trouble at Heritage came to light earlier this month when its private insurer, the Rhode Island Share and Deposit Indemnity Corp., announced that it had seized control of the bank.

The announcement started a run on deposits, and Gov. Edward D. DiPrete responded by closing the bank's doors. It is uncertain when Heritage will reopen.

The loans, 128 of them, were made out to relatives, friends and close business associates of Mollicone, but dozens of the purported recipients said they never signed for them nor received any money. Among the recipients listed on the bogus loans were Mollicone's father-in-law and the mayor-elect of the city Vincent A. Cianci Jr.

In an article published in the Providence Sunday Journal, most associates of Mollicone were at a loss to explain the bank president's disappearance or alleged embezzlement.

But one, food service business owner Anthony Verdi of East Greenwich, R.I.,

told the newspaper that over the last few years Mollicone "got wrapped up with being another Donald Trump ... at the time when Donald Trump was someone to aspire to being."

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CHICAGO (NOV. 27) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Tuesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	79.60	79.60	79.05	79.10	79.75
Feb	76.75	76.75	76.20	76.25	76.80
Apr	76.50	76.65	76.00	76.05	76.63
Jun	74.25	74.25	73.75	73.82	74.25
Aug	72.60	72.65	72.30	72.30	72.55
Oct	72.50	72.65	72.25	72.25	72.50
Dec	73.00	73.20	73.00	73.00	73.00

Est. sales 14,032 contracts; Monday 17,633; Open interest: 73,476 off 1,145.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	88.15	88.15	87.35	87.45	88.22
Mar	85.80	85.80	85.15	85.20	85.97
Apr	84.50	84.50	84.00	84.05	84.55
May	83.40	83.40	83.00	83.30	83.65
Aug	82.47	82.47	82.25	82.25	82.45
Sep	81.85	81.90	81.85	81.85	82.05
Oct	....	....	....	81.55	81.70

Est. sales 1,279 contracts; Monday 1,265; open interest 8,839 up 154.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	51.90	52.70	51.83	52.50	52.03
Feb	49.95	50.78	49.95	50.63	50.25
Apr	47.45	47.88	47.20	47.58	47.75
Jun	51.60	51.80	51.25	51.45	51.65
Jul	52.00	52.05	51.70	51.90	52.20
Aug	50.17	50.40	50.00	50.35	50.50
Oct	45.05	45.25	44.95	45.10	45.25
Dec	....	....	....	45.25	45.25

Est. sales 8,834 contracts; Monday 9,171; Open interest: 28,214 off 194

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	67.80	70.47	67.55	70.15	69.40
Mar	67.50	70.00	67.35	69.68	69.10
May	68.00	70.20	67.80	69.80	69.50
Jul	67.25	69.10	67.20	68.70	68.43
Aug	65.70	66.60	65.70	66.40	66.10

Est. sales 6,966 contracts; Monday 2,038; Open interest: 12,430 up 19

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Tuesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lb 130.01 down 15 cents, 700-850 lb 130.35 down 12 cents; select 1-3 550- 700 lb 119.50 up 5 cents, 700-850 lb 119.38 unchanged.

Pork carlot trading moderate; demand moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were not established; skinned hams firm to 2.50 higher; seedless bellies firm; pork loins 14-18 lb 95.00-98.00, 18-22 lb 96.00; Boston butts 4-8 lb 75.00; hams 17-20 lb 89.50-97.50, 20-26 lb 78.50-81.50; bellies 18-20 lb 57.00 20-25 lb 51.00.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 27) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev Tuesday gave Soviet soldiers the right to open fire if they are attacked by armed groups and vowed ''we will maintain order.''

Gorbachev told the independent Interfax news agency he would not stand by while republics shut off fuel and water to the army as Latvia ordered last week.

Soviet soldiers this month have also come under growing harassment in the Baltic republic of Lithuania, where protesters gathered at their garrison and rampaged through an officers club.

''I consider it necessary to respond with weapons if army detachements come under organized armed attack,'' Gorabachev said. ''This (such armed attacks) is not democracy, it is lawlessness, and we are going to maintain order.''

During operations in Armenia and Azerbaijan the last two years, many soldiers were wounded when they claimed - some in bedside television interviews - that they withheld their fire rather than shoot at civilians.

Soviet generals have explained to newsmen that they are hesitant to open fire because of great criticism the army took when 21 civilians were killed in Tbilisi, Georgia, in April 1989 and 83 Azerbaijanis died in the army's entrance into Baku in January 1990 after pogroms there against Armenians.

At least 6,000 soldiers and Interior Ministry troops have been keeping order for the last two years in the disputed Nagorno Karabakh enclave of Azerbaijan, and troops have been sent to halt ethnic conflicts in numerous other hot spots.

Top commanders have labeled the unwillingness to act without specific orders ''the Tbilisi syndrome.''

Gorbachev also instructed Defense Minister Dmitri Yazov to speak on Soviet television Tuesday about the growing denigration and slighting of the army.

''In order to stop the denigration of the army and members of their families, I have given the orders to take all necessary measures within the limits of the constitution, the laws of the country and the decrees of the president,'' Yazov said on the official Vremya television news show.

''In the case of the use of violence and armed attacks against servicemen, military sites and arms depots, soldiers have been given orders to use their weapons,'' he said.

''In the case of illegal actions against garrisons and army towns, such as switching off electricity, water and so on, the commanders of the military regions and the Navy have been orderd to take over the infrastructure.''

Yazov also ordered soldiers to prevent descecration of military cemeteries and monuments to Soviet soldiers, such as have occurred in the Ukraine and Estonia.

The Soviet marshal also said he instructed soldiers to pull down any monuments erected to guerrillas who fought against the Soviet army in the 1940s.

''The armed forces of the Soviet Union,'' Yazov concluded, ''have been, are and will remain the flesh and blood of the people. Their only task is to serve the people.

''They were, are and will be loyal to the cause of perestroika, which is being fulfilled by the president of the Soviet Union.''

As nationalist and secessionist movements have mushroomed with the greater freedom of perestroika, the army has often been sent to non- Russian republics to keep order.

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#90331u1321 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 27) UPI - A late rally in soybean oil futures carried over to soybeans Tuesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Aggressive professional buying sent soyoil to session highs during the closing minutes before gains were trimmed by profit-taking. The market was supported by reports of active trading of soybean oil in Brazil.

Soybeans were mostly higher and were at or near session highs at the final bell. Hopes of near-term sales of soybean meal to the Soviet Union contributed to the strength in soybeans and limited losses in meal futures.

Corn and wheat were pressured by follow-through selling and liquidation before the first notice day Friday for the December contracts.

Jordan was in the market for 100,000 tons of wheat under the export bonus program and Ecuador reportedly bought a similar quantity, otherwise the export markets were quiet.

Oats rallied and were moderately higher after making contract lows early in the day.

Indications the Soviets may not be offered export credits in the immediate future weighed on prices across the floor. Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter reiterated Tuesday that any such credits would be contingent on reforms of the Soviet emigration policy.

However, Yeutter said the USDA will continue to use the export bonus program aggressively.

Country movement was light and basis levels were steady to firm.

At the close, corn was off 1/2 to 2 1/4, soybeans up 5 3/4 to off 1/2, wheat unchanged to down 2 3/4 and oats up 1 to 2 3/4.

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#90331u1328 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 27) UPI - Exiled Kuwaitis accused Iraq Tuesday of systematically destroying their country and they asked the United Nations to take custody of Kuwait's civil records for future litigation against Iraq.

A delegation of seven Kuwaiti refugees told a U.N. Security Council session that Iraqi soldiers acted like ''pirates'' and ''primitive people'' since they invaded the small emirate Aug. 2.

But the testimony was almost derailed by protests from four non- aligned members who charged that the president of the council, U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering, delayed a vote on a resolution dealing with the situation in the Israeli-occupied territories.

The resolution, introduced by Cuba, Yemen, Malaysia and Colombia three weeks ago, called for the stationing of a U.N. commissioner and a peace force in the West Bank and Gaza Strip to protect Palestinians living there.

The call for U.N. protection for Palestinians stemmed from non- aligned and Arab countries's repeated charges of human rights violations by Israel.

The non-aligned countries complained that Pickering gave priority of discussions to the Persian Gulf situation and delayed U.N. action in the

territories following the Oct. 8 Temple Mount riots in which at least 19 Palestinians were killed by Jerusalem police. Those countries asked for an immediate vote on their resolution.

The United States voted twice with the council to condemn the killings in Jerusalem and the Israeli rejection of a U.N. inquiry into the riots.

Pickering's presidency ends Friday and Yemen's U.N. ambassador, Abdalla Saleh Al-Ashtal, will take over for December. The council's 15 member states take turns presiding at the U.N. political body on a monthly basis.

While debating the question of Iraqi atrocities and the Palestinian situation, the council's members continued private consultations on a resolution setting a deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait before possible military action is taken against it.

In the testimony against alleged Iraqi atrocities, Kuwaiti U.N. Ambassador Mohammad Abulhassan said Iraq embarked on ''very anomalistic'' actions against Kuwaitis including ''unjustifiable killings, displacement, violation of sanctities and rape, torture, humiliation of people's dignity, intimidation of innocent residents and organized pillagings.''

Abulhassan said the destruction brought back the ''era of pirates and primitive ages.''

Videotapes and pictures of victims of Iraqi ''barbaric acts'' were shown to the council.

Abulhassan said civil records of the Kuwaiti government stored in magnetic computer discs had been discreetly shipped to New York City and asked that Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar take charge of them as a ''legal and official'' proof to be used against Iraq once Kuwait is freed from Iraqi occupation.

The council has planned to take a vote Wednesday on a draft resolution condemning Iraqi attempts to ''alter the demographic composition of the Kuwaitis'' and demanding that the United Nations take custody of the records.

A member of the Kuwaiti delegation, Dr. Essa Ibrahim, said Iraq has appropriated 95 percent of medical supplies that Kuwait had prior to the Aug. 2 invasion.

Ibrahim said Iraqi troops acted in a ''sick and sadistic'' mentality when they ordered patients to leave hospitals and removed newborn babies from incubators.

The doctor said he witnessed the burial of 14 babies taken from incubators and 40 epileptic children who died for a lack of care.

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ALBANY, N.Y. (NOV. 27) UPI - New York's highest court Tuesday cleared the way for Senate Democratic Minority Leader Manfred Ohrenstein to be prosecuted for hiring ''no-show'' workers.

But it dismissed hundreds of theft and fraud charges against him for paying 1986 campaign workers out of state funds in an unsuccessful bid to win control of the 61-member Senate.

In a 6-1 decision, the Court of Appeals said no law or regulation prohibited paying campaign workers from the state payroll.

But all seven judges agreed it is wrong to put people on the state payroll to do no work at all.

Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau Tuesday vowed ''to proceed with the prosecution ... as promptly as possible.'' Morgenthau alleges Ohrenstein and two of his colleagues hired four ''no-show'' workers between 1981 and 1986. Ohrenstein's lawyer, however, says the four worked part-time.

If convicted, Ohrenstein and the others would be the first New York state legislators held accountable for hiring ''no-show'' workers. In three previous cases, charges either were not brought or were dismissed against the lawmakers involved.

Ohrenstein, his top aide, two other senators and a former senator were indicted by a Manhattan Grand Jury in 1987 on 665 counts of theft, fraud and larceny.

Most of the charges related to paying campaign workers with state funds. Those are the charges which have now been dismissed.

In addition, all charges against one of the senators, Ralph Quattrociocchi, D-Rochester, were previously dismissed by a lower court.

Tuesday's ruling comes just three weeks after Ohrenstein won re- election and as he battles a challenge from a Brooklyn senator to his leadership position.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 27) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					

Dec	2.42	2.44 1/4	2.39 3/4	2.42 1/4	2.43 1/2
Mar	2.60 1/4	2.60 3/4	2.56 1/2	2.59 1/2	2.60 1/4
May	2.68 1/2	2.69 3/4	2.65 1/2	2.68	2.68
Jly	2.76	2.77 1/2	2.72 1/2	2.73	2.75 3/4
Sep	2.81	2.81	2.79	2.79 1/2	2.81 1/2
Dec	2.90	2.92	2.90	2.92	2.93 1/2

Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	2.18 1/2	2.18 1/2	2.15 1/2	2.18 1/4	2.18 3/4
Mar	2.29 3/4	2.30 1/2	2.27 1/4	2.30	2.30 1/2
May	2.37 3/4	2.39	2.35	2.38 3/4	2.39
Jly	2.45	2.45 1/2	2.41 1/2	2.44 3/4	2.45 3/4
Sep	2.47 1/2	2.47 1/2	2.43 3/4	2.44 1/2	2.46 3/4
Dec	2.47	2.48	2.44	2.45 3/4	2.47 3/4
Mar	2.53 1/4	2.53 1/4	2.51	2.52 3/4	2.54 1/2

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.04 1/4	1.08 3/4	1.03 1/2	1.07 1/4	1.04 1/2
Mar	1.15 3/4	1.19 1/4	1.15 1/2	1.18 3/4	1.16 1/4
May	1.22 3/4	1.26	1.22	1.25 1/4	1.22 3/4
Jly	1.29	1.32 1/4	1.28 3/4	1.31 1/4	1.29 1/2
Sep	1.37 1/2	1.37 1/2	1.37 1/4	1.37 1/2	1.36
Dec	1.44	1.45 1/2	1.44	1.45 1/2	1.44 1/2

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Jan	5.77 1/2	5.83 1/2	5.73 1/4	5.82 1/4	5.76 1/2
Mar	5.90 1/2	5.97	5.87 1/4	5.95 3/4	5.90 1/4
May	6.05	6.09 1/2	6.00 1/4	6.08 1/4	6.04
Jly	6.17 1/2	6.21	6.11	6.19 1/4	6.16
Aug	6.17 1/2	6.21 1/2	6.12 1/2	6.20 3/4	6.15 1/2
Sep	6.08 1/2	6.10 1/2	6.06	6.09	6.09 1/2
Nov	6.08	6.11 3/4	6.05 1/2	6.11 1/4	6.08 1/4
Jan	6.20	6.21 1/2	6.18	6.21 1/2	6.17
Mar	6.30	6.32 1/2	6.30	6.32 1/2	6.30

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	20.27	20.97	20.25	20.84	20.34
Jan	20.58	21.24	20.54	21.13	20.61
Mar	20.97	21.58	20.90	21.47	20.98
May	21.35	21.88	21.23	21.77	21.32
Jul	21.55	22.05	21.08	21.97	21.45
Aug	21.60	21.90	21.55	21.90	21.42
Sep	21.60	21.95	21.60	21.90	21.47
Oct	21.90	....	....	21.90	21.55
Dec	21.55	22.00	21.55	22.00	21.50
Jan	21.90	22.00	....	21.95	21.50

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	173.40	173.40	170.10	172.60	173.20
Jan	176.00	176.00	173.00	175.00	175.80
Mar	179.80	179.80	176.90	178.70	179.70
May	181.70	182.00	179.50	181.30	181.90
Jul	184.50	184.80	182.80	184.00	184.80
Aug	185.00	185.90	184.50	185.50	185.50
Sep	184.50	184.50	184.00	184.00	184.50
Oct	184.50	184.50	183.00	183.50	183.50
Dec	185.00	186.00	184.00	186.00	185.00
Jan	184.50	185.00	184.00	184.50	184.50

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MIAMI (NOV. 27) UPI - Two postal employees and a nationwide pen and pencil manufacturer have agreed to enter guilty pleas for their part in a $7.5 million mail fraud scheme, federal authorities said Tuesday.

''This is the largest case of its kind for the Postal Service in its history '' U.S. Attorney Dexter Lehtinen told a news conference.

Since 1981, Atlas Pen & Pencil Corp., a Hollywood firm that makes pens, pencils, golf tees and other items on which names or customized messages are printed, has mailed its goods in bulk for about half of the required postage, said Robert Grudek, Inspector in Charge of the Miami Divison of the U.S. Postal Service.

''The postal employees received a payment in return for simply undercounting or overlooking false postal forms that listed the wrong amount of mail,'' Lehtinen said.

He said the two postal workers allowed Atlas to mail as many as 2 million pieces of mail a month at cut-rate prices. In return for their cooperation, the postal workers received payments ranging from $100 to $400 a month, Lehtinen said.

Together, the pair accepted in excess of $100,000, which they have agreed to turn over to the U.S. government, from Atlas and other companies, Grudek said.

Richard Waesco, a 15-year postal service worker, and Ronnie Ragins, a 12-year post office employee, were charged with one count of conspiracy to defraud the U.S. Postal Service and one count of bribery for accepting cash in return for permitting the underpayment. Both worked for the Postal Service in Hollywood.

They each face a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison and a $500,000 fine. Both men have agreed to enter guilty pleas, Lehtinen said.

Atlas, a family-owned company, and its vice-president and director Robert

Schneider were each charged in a one count indictment with conspiracy to defraud.

Lehtinen said Atlas has agreed to pay back the $7.5 million in back postage, but still faces $15 million in fines. Schneider faces a maximum penalty of 5 years in prison.

Schneider expressed surprise Tuesday that the details of the charges had been revealed as did his attorney, David Bogenschutz of Hollywood.

''There exists and will continue to exist real cooperation on the part of Atlas and Bob Schneider. This unprecedented cooperation has existed since the matter became known to the federal government and efforts began to ferret out perpetrators within the system, federal employees,'' Bogenschutz said.

''I do not know why the U.S. Attorney would choose to do this (announce the uncovering of the scheme) before the matter is in a more crystallized form.''

Grudek said investigators were not sure who initiated the fraud scheme, but Waesco and Ragins also accepted about $8,500 in cash between April 1986 and June 1990 from another bulk mailer, Daniel Hyde of G&G Hyde, for not requiring payment of $18,552 in postage due.

Daniel Hyde, who has already paid back the postage, faces a maximum penalty of two years in prison and a $250,000 fine.

Ragins also reportedly accepted $7,000 from Larry Van Dusseldorp, an employee of Van Dee Mailing Services, between March and April 1990 for not requiring payment of $17,000 in postage. Dusseldorp also faces a maximum penalty of two years in prison and a fine of up to $250,000.

Grudek said the six-month investigation is continuing into the activities of three other companies in the Broward County area who also mail in bulk.

In addition, two postal service clerks and three supervisors at the Hollywood post office will undergo disciplinary action for sloppy work performance for not detecting the illegal activity, he said.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - U.S. farmers, expected to post a record $49 billion in net income this year, will see near-record income in 1991, thanks to larger production that will offset higher costs, the government forecast Tuesday.

During the first day of their annual outlook conference, Agriculture Department analysts forecast a slight increase in crop acreage next year, due

in part to the greater freedom farmers would have under the new farm policy law.

Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter said President Bush was expected to sign the law Wednesday. It would allow farmers to alter their mix of crops on up to 25 percent of their wheat, feed grain, cotton and rice land without jeopardizing future eligibility for subsidies.

"Soybeans, other oilseeds and cotton are expected to effectively compete for this flexible acreage with wheat, feed grains and rice," said James Donald, chairman of the department's World Agricultural Outlook Board.

As keynote speaker, Yeutter said the international market represented the best chance for larger sales and higher profits for U.S. farmers. "We need to provide for a healthy American agriculture based on the international marketplace, based on demand, not based on massive federal subsidies," Yeutter said.

Despite that, Yeutter was pessimistic about the world trade reform talks due to conclude next week. If they fail, he said, the United States would "reappraise our policy structure" with an eye to maintaining U.S. market share.

Richard McCormack, undersecretary of state, joined Yeutter in calling for freer trade. It "would be a catastrophe" for the world to splinter into rival trading blocs, he said.

In response to a question, Yeutter said he interpreted voter rejection of the so-called Big Green initiative in California and environmental initiatives in other states as a sign voter believe the "pendulum has swung too far ... that balance is essential in this area."

Donald said the larger production engendered by larger crop acreage, along with an anticipated increase in meat and dairy output, should mean larger receipts for farmers.

"This outlook points to a year of near-record incomes for U.S. farmers," Donald said in prepared remarks. "Cash receipts will rise with larger marketings and higher prices for a few commodities. "At the same time, production expenses will increase, importantly reflecting higher prices for energy-related inputs."

The department forecast net cash farm income of $55 billion-$60 billion dollars, slightly below the record $59 billion expected this year. Net farm income was estimated at $44 billion-$49 billion, compared with the record $49 billion projected for this year.

At the retail level, food prices were estimated to rise two percent-five percent in 1991, a moderate level. Food price inflation was 5.8 percent in

1989 and will measure about six percent this year.

Farmers devoted 342 million acres to the major U.S. crops this year and idled about 60 million acres, including 34 million acres in the long-term Conservation Reserve.

Wheat acreage and production is projected to drop substantially in 1991 in response to low market prices and the larger land set aside required for eligibility for farm program benefits. The set aside next year is 15 percent, compared with five percent this year.

"U.S. corn production will likely increase in 1991," Donald said, thanks to strong demand that is expected to reduce the size of the U.S. stockpile by next fall.

Government economists have projected an expansion in soybean acreage as a result of the planting flexibility and marketing loan provisions in the new farm law.

Donald said cotton acreage might expand in the coming year if the governent lowers the land setaside requirement. Domestic demand for cotton is high this year, despite a 22 percent gain in production to 14.9 million bales.

Farmers reaped 7.93 billion bushels of corn, 2.74 billion bushels of wheat and 1.9 billion bushels of soybeans this year. Meat production is forecast to rise by three percent in 1991 to a record 64.25 billion pounds. Milk production this year is projected at 148 billion pounds with an increase of one percent-two percent forecast for 1991.

Market prices for milk in early 1991 are projected to be nearly $3 per 100 pounds of milk lower than one year earlier, Donald said, and "prices will continue to be down for the rest of the year."

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Gold futures closed Tuesday 50 to 90 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Nov	385.20	....	....	385.20	386.10
Dec	383.00	387.00	382.80	385.80	386.70
Jan	387.60	....	....	387.60	388.50
Feb	385.80	390.00	385.80	388.90	389.70
Apr	389.00	393.00	388.60	392.10	392.80
Jun	383.50	396.50	383.50	395.50	396.20
Aug	398.70	....	....	398.70	399.40

Oct	402.10	....	....	402.10	402.70
Dec	403.00	405.50	403.00	405.50	406.00
Feb	409.00	....	....	409.00	409.50
Apr	412.30	....	....	412.30	412.80
Jun	416.00	....	....	416.00	416.50
Aug	420.00	....	....	420.00	420.50

Open interest: 111,533 off 472.
Estimated sales: 45,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	387.00 up 2.75
Morning fixing	384.25 off 2.75
Afternoon fixing	383.80 off 3.20
Close	385.00 off 2.00
Paris	384.21 off 1.94
Zurich	384.50 off 3.00
Hong Kong	385.30 up 0.05

New York

Comex spot close	385.20 off 0.90
Republic cash	385.25 off 1.00
Handy and Harman	383.80 off 3.10

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 385.10 off 3.11 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 404.35 off 3.27 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.102 off 0.05
Republic cash	4.12 off 0.05

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.105 per fine ounce off 0.06

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.125 off 0.055 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.414 off 0.059

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 424.50 off 8.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 524.50 off 8.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 94.50 unchanged per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 109.50 unchanged.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - Oliver North won another legal battle Tuesday when a federal appeals court turned down a request by independent prosecutor Lawrence Walsh that it reinstate North's three Iran-Contra convictions.

In a 21-page decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit denied Walsh's request but rewrote part of its previous decision to concede that North's jury may have been given confusing instructions.

The decision is a blow for Walsh and may jeopardize the conviction of another Iran-Contra defendant, former national security adviser John Poindexter.

Walsh released a statement Tuesday saying an appeal to the Supreme Court is likely.

North, a retired Marine lieutenant colonel and former National Security Council staff member, was convicted May 4, 1989, of three criminal charges stemming from his involvement in an elaborate scheme to sell arms to Iran and funnel the profits to Nicaraguan Contra rebels at a time when such aid was banned by Congress.

North was found guilty on one count each of obstructing Congress, destroying government documents and receiving an illegal gift in the form of a security system for his home.

But on July 20, the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Washington voted 2-1 to throw out North's conviction for destroying government documents on grounds that the trial judge, U.S. District Judge Gerhard Gesell, had given faulty instructions to the jury.

The panel also set aside North's convictions for obstructing Congress and accepting the gratuity pending a lower court review of whether North's immunized testimony before Congress in 1987 hurt his chances for a fair trial.

On Sept. 4, Walsh asked the appeals panel to reconsider its decision.

Responding to Walsh's request Tuesday, the appeals court declined to grant a rehearing, sticking with its earlier position that Gesell should have held a pretrial hearing to resolve the question of North's televised appearance before Congress and its affect on his trial.

''When all is said and done,'' the court wrote, ''the district judge denied the defendant a hearing to which the Constitution entitled him.''

But on North's overturned conviction for destroying government documents, the appeals court took the unusual step of rewriting parts of its earlier decision while still keeping it in effect.

The new opinion agreed with Walsh's assertions that the North jury may have been confused when Gesell erroneously said jurors must agree unanimously on which documents were destroyed.

''Upon reviewing the petition, the response of North, and the instructions of the district court to the jury, we conclude that this point is well taken,'' the court wrote.

However, the court said the instructions as a whole were not confusing enough to merit a rehearing of the case.

Responding to the court's decision, Walsh said it was likely that he would take the case to the Supreme Court.

''We appreciate the extended consideration that was given to our petition for a hearing,'' Walsh said in a statement. ''We're studying the opinions, and in all probability will petition for certiorari because of the importance of the question involved.''

Walsh has 90 days to appeal the decision to the high court.

At the conclusion of his trial May 4, 1989, North was found not guilty of two other counts of obstructing Congress, three counts of making false statements to Congress and one count each of obstructing a presidential inquiry, making a false statements to a presidential inquiry, cashing for personal use traveler's checks drawn on government funds, and conspiring to defraud the Internal Revenue Service.

Four other charges - including two that were considered the heart of the government's case, defrauding the United States and theft of government property - had been dismissed earlier by Gesell.

North became the first defendant in the Iran-Contra affair to be convicted in a criminal trial. On July 6, Gesell fined North $150,000 but declined to send him to prison, instead giving him a three-year suspended sentence, placing him on probation for two years and ordering him to perform 1,200 hours of community service at an anti-drug program for inner-city youths in Washington.

The Iran-Contra scandal, which surfaced just before Reagan was re- elected in 1984, cast a shadow over his second term and eventually ensnared several of his closest aides, including Attorney General Ed Meese and national security adviser Robert McFarlane as well as Poindexter.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 2 to 5 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.94	10.00	9.89	9.98	10.00
May	9.92	10.00	9.90	9.98	10.03
Jly	9.94	10.03	9.93	9.99	10.03
Oct	9.95	10.01	9.95	9.99	10.03
Mar	....	....	....	10.01	10.04

Estimated sales: 6,750 contracts
Open interest: 110,562 up 1,423
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.02

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 3 points higher to 1 point lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.12	23.15	23.11	23.12	23.12
Mar	23.10	23.10	23.10	23.10	23.10
May	23.15	23.15	23.13	23.13	23.14
Jly	23.14	23.14	23.13	23.13	23.14
Sep	23.08	....	....	23.09	23.10
Nov	22.95	....	....	22.97	22.94
Jan	....	....	....	23.05	23.04

Estimated sales: 523 contracts
Open interest: 12,326 off 39

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INGLEWOOD, CA (NOV. 27) UPI - The Hollywood Park race track may be placed on the sales block under a proposal announced Tuesday by its management company, which has been the target of a threatened takeover.

Hollywood Park Operating Co. made its proposal in a letter to the track's owner, Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises, which owns both the track and 347 acres surrounding it in Inglewood.

The company did not suggest a price for the property, located near the Great Western Forum, home to the Los Angeles Lakers basketball team and the Los Angeles Kings hockey team.

Hollywood Park Operating said it made the proposal "to assure stockholders the opportunity to receive the maximum possible value for their shares." The move

comes as Hollywood Park Operating faces a proxy fight from shareholder R.D. Hubbard, who holds nearly ten percent of its shares and is seeking to seize control of the track.

Hubbard, who owns race tracks in Kansas and New Mexico and is chairman of Dallas-based glassmaker AFG Industries, has called for the resignation of Marjorie Everett, chairman and chief executive officer of Hollywood Park Operating.

The operating and realty companies have managed to turn around their operations this year after posting more than $25 million of losses during the previous three years.

For the first nine months of 1990, the companies earned $4.7 million, with revenues from simulcasting of races helping to improve performance. The losses stemmed from a disastrous attempt to expand into real estate development by buying the Los Alamitos race track in Cypress.

Hollywood Park bought that track in 1984 for $58 million and took on a large amount of debt to finance the deal. It sold Los Alamitos in late 1989 for $71 million.

Hubbard announced last week that he had been named to the Hollywood Park Realty board and had dropped a lawsuit against that company. The lawsuit sought a ruling that a proxy fight would not activate the companies' "poison pill" plan. But he promised he would press ahead with the proxy fight against Hollywood Park Operating.

At the time the settlment was announced, Hollywood Park Operating said the agreement would have no effect on its operations, since the companies are run independently of one another.

Steven Stern, a spokesman for Hubbard, said the investor, who is out of the country, would have no comment on the move to put the race track up for sale. Other investors have previously tried to force Everett to step down, claiming her management has led to a decline in the track's attendance and negligence of the facility.

Analysts say Hollywood Park is generally not as attractive as the two other race tracks in the region: industry leader Santa Anita in Arcadia and Del Mar, located just north of San Diego. The three tracks do not operate at the same time. Warren Williamson, chairman of Hollywood Park Realty, was not immediately available for comment.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Reece Corp				
Sonesta Intl Hotels				
Increased				
DQE	Q	.36	1-1	12-10
Liquidating				
Americana Hotels&Rlty	..	3.50	12-14	12-7
Special Year-End				
Meridian Diagnostics	..	.06	12-20	12-5
Usual				
Advanta Corp	Q	.03	12-18	12-7
Allied Group	Q	.12	12-21	12-10
Anangel-Amer	..	.40	1-23	12-14
Brush Wellman Inc	Q	.18	1-4	12-21
Conn Energy Corp	Q	.30 3/4	12-28	12-7
Disney (Walt) Co	Q	.14 1/2	2-20	1-18
Frisch's Restaurant	Q	.06	1-10	12-31
Gap Inc	Q	.12 1/2	1-2	12-7
Geodynamics Corp	Q	.06	12-17	12-7
Jaclyn Inc	Q	.12 1/2	2-15	1-15
Meridian Bancorp	Q	.30	1-1	12-15
Natl Computer Sys	Q	.07	1-2	12-7
New England Electric	Q	.51	1-2	12-10
Omnicom Group	Q	.02 3/4	1-4	12-14
Watkins-Johnson Co	Q	.12	1-2	12-10

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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FAIRFIELD, CT (NOV. 27) UPI - General Electric Co. Tuesday confirmed it plans to give up its $6.9 million-a-year management contract at a Florida plant that makes triggers for nuclear weapons.

The Department of Energy, which oversees the contract at the Pinellas plant in Largo, had changed certain conditions of the agreement and thus would have imposed "new liabilities that GE found unacceptable," said Ford Slater, a GE spokesman.

The DOE said it wants contractors running government plants to assume responsibility for environmental liability at the facilities. In the past, the

government has borne such responsibilities.

The department said the estimated 1,600 employees at the Pinellas plant likely will continue to work there for a new operator which would take over when GE quits the facility by May 31, 1992.

"We don't expect any disruption with the workforce," said Deborah K. Smith, a spokeswoman for the DOE. Under terms of the existing contract, GE had to provide 18 months notice it would not continue, GE said.

Smith said the DOE had not yet found a replacement for GE and is currently examining its options, including having one of the five other companies that operate nuclear facilities around the country for the government.

Meanwhile, General Electric denied a claim by a Boston-based anti-nuclear pressure group, Infact, that the decision was the first step toward its withdrawal from all nuclear weapons production.

"This was a business decision related (solely) to the Pinellas contract," Slater said. He said the company had no plan for reducing its involvement in other nuclear-related activities, despite a boycott organized by Infact.

He cited the Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory in Niskayuna, N.Y., where the company designs and develops nuclear power plants for ships. The $6.9 million management fee "is not consequential for a $54 billion company," Slater said.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - Britain has its youngest prime minister of the century. Chancellor of the Exchequer John Major won a second round of voting by the Conservative Party today... and succeeded Margaret Thatcher as prime minister. Major fell two votes shy of the 187 needed for a bona fide majority, but electioneers canceled a third vote that had been set for Thursday when Major's opponents dropped out of the running. Although he was Thatcher's first choice when she resigned, Major tried to put some distance between them as he campaigned by saying he was NOT running as ''Son of Thatcher.''

Major's closest challenger, Michael Heseltine congratulated Major after the vote. The rebel who forced Thatcher's downfall, Heseltine received 131 votes and Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd won 56.

The U-S Navy today announced that the aircraft carriers Theodore Roosevelt and America will ship out from Norfolk, Virginia, just after Christmas to support Operation Desert Shield in the Persian Gulf. The deployment could send up to 15-thousand more U-S military personnel to the gulf.

Soviet President Gorbachev today issued an order giving his troops the right

to open fire if they are attacked by armed groups. Soviet soldiers have come under pressure in the Baltic republics of Latvia and Lithuania this month, where they are taunted as occupiers of those regions.

The American Automobile Association says the average national cost of a gallon of gasoline rose by a fraction of a penny during the past week. The Triple-A puts the average price for self-serve regular at one-dollar and 36-point-6 cents a gallon. But prices could rise more steeply and soon. A new federal excise tax takes effect Saturday and it remains to be seen how retailers will pass along the five-cent-a-gallon increase.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois filed suit in Washington, D-C, today, accusing the F-B-I of spying on people who were part of the J. Roderick MacArthur Foundation. It was was founded 14 years ago to grant money to other charitable organizations in the areas of human rights, civil liberties and social justice.

South African President Frederik de Klerk and black leader Nelson Mandela today affirmed their commitment to higher-profile power-sharing negotiations as a means to end the country's racial conflict. The pair say they'll meet agin in the coming weeks and months.

Dignitaries by the score were gathered in all of their finery to officially dedicate a new suspension bridge 180 miles east of Mexico City yesterday when the bridge collapsed. At least 15 people, including one town mayor and a deputy state attorney general, were injured when they fell some 10 feet onto the river bank or into the river itself. NONE of the injuries was serious.

N-F-L Commissioner Paul Tagliabue today levied fines totalling more than 72-thousand dollars against three players and the New England Patriots team. the fines stem from the sexual harassment of a woman sportswriter in the team's locker room in September.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $29 to $37 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.55 cent lower to 0.25 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 2.10 to 5.50 cents a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.18 cent higher to 0.24 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.50 to $0.90 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.10 to $3.20 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.25 cent to 0.50 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 5 to 5.2 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.002 to 0.005 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 27) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.32 1/4 off 1 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.69 1/4- 5.74 1/4 up 5 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.19 1/4 off 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.26 1/4-2.28 3/4 up 2 1/2 to off 1/2.

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BATON ROUGE, La. (NOV. 27) UPI - Curley Hallman, who has led Southern Mississippi to two bowl games in the last three years, was named Tuesday to become the new football coach at Louisiana State.

Hallman replaces Mike Archer who announced his resignation 12 days ago after the Tigers posted their second consecutive losing season. Archer made the announcement with two games left on LSU's schedule, but followed broadcast reports he would be fired after the final game of the season.

LSU Athletic Director Joe Dean and other school officials denied they had plans to fire Archer, who led the Tigers to records of 4-7 and 5-6 in the last two seasons. However, a head-hunting company had been hired by LSU about two months ago to compile a list of possible successors.

Hallman, 23-11 in three years at USM, will receive a five-year contract with a base salary of $85,000 per year, Dean said. Hallman's selection is pending the

formality of approval by the LSU Board of Supervisors, which is expected Friday.

Southern Mississippi went 8-3 this season, including defeats of Southeastern Conference teams Alabama and Auburn, and will play Dec. 29 in the All-American Bowl in Birmingham.

Under Hallman, the Golden Eagles finished 10-2 in 1988, including a 38-18 defeat of Texas-El Paso in the Independence Bowl. His 1989 squad finished 5-6, but handed a 30-26 defeat to a Florida State squad that wound up being ranked second in the nation.

''If you work hard enough for long enough, you will be successful,'' Hallman said, outlining his coaching philosophy of hard work and discipline.

Hallman has 23 years of coaching experience and has been on the staff of two national championship teams - Alabama in 1973 and Clemson in 1981.

He was an All-Southwest Conference defensive back at Texas A&M and began his coaching career at that school, working with defensive backs and freshmen.

He spent two seasons coaching at Stark High School in Orange, Texas, before moving to Alabama in 1973 as defensive secondary coach. In four years at Alabama, Hallman also coached quarterbacks, running backs and served as junior varsity coach.

Hallman left Alabama to coach running backs at Memphis State, taking on the added duties of coordinating special teams. He joined the Clemson staff for two years, including the 1981 national championship team.

In 1982, Hallman returned to Texas A&M as as defensive secondary coach and held that job until he became head coach at Southern Mississippi.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
American Software (2nd Q 10-31)	
$26,445,000	$20,915,000
$4,540,000 (.20)	$3,607,000 (.16)
Americana Hotels & Realty (2nd Q 9-30)	
$2,037,000	$1,927,000
$393,000 (.07)	$184,000 (.03)

Anangel-Amer Shiphldgs (1st Q 9-30)
$16,369,000 $11,665,000
$6,812,000 (.37) $8,286,000 (.50)

Big B Inc (3rd Q 10-27)
$103,208,000 $89,876,000
d-$959,000 d-$584,000
d-Deficit.

Hechinger Co (3rd Q 11-3)
$351,072,000 $308,522,000
$4,911,000 (.15) $5,404,000 (.16)

Kellwood Co (2nd Q 10-31)
$213,932,000 $209,608,000
a-$2,035,000 (.17) $6,280,000 (.53)
a-Includes charges for plant closings of $2,417,000 in the second quarter and $3,093,000 for the six months.

Kulicke & Soffa Indus (4th Q 9-30)
$28,216,000 $22,863,000
$2,108,000 (.31) $953,000 (.12)

Litton Industries (1st Q 10-31)
$1,229,024,000 $1,215,435,000
$39,588,000 (1.76) $43,563,000 (1.73)

Shorewood Packaging Cp (2nd Q 10-27)
$35,822,000 $37,775,000
$3,577,000 (.19) $5,121,000 (.26)

Sigma Designs (3rd Q 10-31)
$8,386,000 $17,248,000
$277,000 (.05) $1,999,000 (.32)

Unitel Video (4th Q 8-31)
$12,509,000 $10,440,000
a-$852,000 (.48) d-$1,697,000
a-Reflects charge against fourth quarter earnings of about $300,000 in connection with termination of Orlando, Fla. unit operations.
d-Deficit.

Varity Corp (3rd Q 10-31)
$920,900,000 $535,400,000
a-$20,300,000 (.06) $22,200,000 (.09)
a-Includes $15.5 million in non-recurring charges.

Wyle Laboratories (3rd Q 10-31)

$114,006,000 $105,825,000
$3,357,000 (.34) $2,178,000 (.22)

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(NOV. 27) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in light trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Higher in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in thin trading.

Dollar - Slightly lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Slightly lower.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1/2 to 2 1/4, soybeans up 5 3/4 to off 1/2, wheat unchanged to down 2 3/4 and oats up 1 to 2 3/4.

Cattle Trade - Steady to 50 cents lower; top $82.50.

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#90331u1460 11/27/1990 ~United Press International
DETROIT (NOV. 27) UPI - The nation's automakers posted Tuesday a combined 14.9 percent rise in sales of domestically made vehicles during mid-November, with analysts saying fleet deliveries and comparisons with lackluster year-ago levels made the gains look better.

Sales of domestically built cars alone during the Nov. 11-20 period rose 18 percent from a year ago when measured by sales per day. Light truck sales rose 10.1 percent.

The annual sales rate for domestically built cars, the most common measure of industry performance, was a strong 7.3 million cars during the period, compared with a weak 6.0 million last year.

"This flies in the face of a string of fairly dire economic reports during the last few months," said analyst Jack Kirnan, of Kidder, Peabody in New York.

"Clearly it has got to be continued strength in the fleet business."

"The evidence is overwhelming for continued fleet sales, which have spilled over from October," said Michael Luckey, of The Luckey Consulting Group in East Tappan, N.J.

"Dealers are cutting back on orders because individual buyers are not there, and there are numerous production cutbacks slated for December," he said. "Yet inventories are not really out of hand."

While retail vehicle sales were poor in the East, that weakness was partially offset by continued strength in the Midwest and Southwest because of a good manufacturing base, Kirnan said, noting those regions account for almost 40 percent of the market.

Some of the strength may also be coming from replacement pressure on individual buyers, Kirnan noted. "There were a record number of cars sold between 1984 and 1986," he said. "Those vehicles are aging, paid off, and good candidates for replacement."

So far there has been only a minimal shift toward smaller, more fuel-efficient cars due to higher gasoline prices from the Kuwait invasion Aug. 2, analysts say.

But the light truck market has clearly slowed despite recent gains, mostly in the full-sized pickup and van market that depends on the weakened construction industry.

The nine companies - General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co., Chrysler Corp., American Honda Motor Co., Nissan Motor Manufacturing U.S.A., Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., Mazda Motor Manufacturing (USA) Corp., Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America, Inc. and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc. (SIA) - posted combined sales of 176,310 cars and 108,859 trucks during the latest ten-day period. This compares with 149,381 cars and 98,878 trucks sold in the year-ago period.

The daily selling rate of 35,646 vehicles compares with 31,032 vehicles a day for the same period last year. There were eight selling days in the latest period this year, vs. eight last year.

So far in 1990, the firms have sold nearly 6.25 million cars, down 3.2 percent from the almost 6.44 million units sold in the comparable 1989 period. Light truck sales totaled nearly 3.63 million units, down three percent from the 3.73 million trucks sold during the same period a year ago.

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#90331u1461 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 27) UPI - Chancellor John Major, who was groomed by Margaret

Thatcher to succeed her, Tuesday was elected the youngest prime minister of Britain in more than 150 years.

Thatcher, prime minister for 11 1/2 years, is to formally tender her resignation to Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace at 9:40 a.m. Wednesday, and minutes later Major will become the 20th prime minister this century.

Although Major fell two votes short of the 187 he needed to win outright on a second-round ballot of Conservative members of Parliament, his two oppponents conceded defeat and urged that he be made party leader and prime minister.

Renegade MP Michael Heseltine, who dealt the blow that led to Thatcher's resignation, received 131 votes and Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd got 56 to Major's 185.

MP Cranley Onslow, vice chairman of the committee that oversaw the election, cancelled a third-round ballot scheduled for Thursday to determine a final winner.

Major, accompanied by his wife Norma, appeared briefly on Downing Street to claim victory.

''It is a very exciting thing to be a leader of the Conservative Party, and particularly exciting to follow one of the most remarkable leaders the Conservative Party has ever had,'' he said.

''Our job now is quite clear. We are going to unite, unite totally and absolutely and go on to win the next election.''

He also praised the woman who handpicked him as her successor in the early 1980s because he was not afraid to stand up to her and she saw him as ''a true man of the people.'' ''Margaret Thatcher will be seen as a very great prime minister indeed,'' Major said.

Thatcher, the longest ruling prime minister this century, said she was ''thrilled'' by Major's election, according to a close aide. Forced out by her own party, she celebrated with him at his neighboring home at 11 Downing Street.

MP Marcus Fox said said Major's win put the Conservatives back on track for a fourth consecutive general election victory after a month of recriminations against Thatcher.

''A week ago I thought our party had committed suicide. This result has brought me back to believing we can really win the next general election. I always believed John Major could do it,'' Fox said.

Major's yearlong tenure as chancellor of the exchequer, a post equivalent to

secretary of the Treasury in the United States, distinguished himself as a candidate in a country where elections are often turn on the health of the domestic economy. Last month he cut interest rates and took the pound into a European exchange-rate mechanism, a feat his predecessors failed to achieve in the face of objections from Thatcher.

Major is the youngest prime minister since Robert Peel became leader in 1834 at age 46. Harold Wilson was 48 when he led the Labor Party to victory in 1964. The youngest ever was William Pitt who was elected in 1783 when he was 24.

Major, who supported Thatcher until she tearfully bowed to pressure to resign, capitalized on his humble beginnings in a contest of reverse snobbery. His six-day campaign emphasized his self-made success and he said his goal as prime minister would be to create a ''classless society.''

While Hurd attended Cambridge and Heseltine went to Oxford, Major, the son of a trapeze artist with Barnum & Bailey circus, left school at 16. He grew up with four siblings in Brixton, a working-class section of London, and collected unemployment for nine months before becoming a gofer on a construction site.

Major finally got a job in banking and worked his way to the top of the profession. He served on the Lambeth Borough Council from 1968 to 1971. He was elected to Parliament in Huntingdon in 1979, and held a variety of low-level posts until being named chief aide to then- Chancellor Nigel Lawson in 1987. After three-month stint as foreign secretary, he succeeded Lawson when he resigned abruptly in October 1989.

Heseltine and Hurd conceded defeat within minutes of the announcement of the election results at Westminster Palace.

''My purpose is to ensure that unity is achieved so that we win a fourth term '' said Heseltine, 57. ''I congratulate John Major.''

Hurd, 60, who finished in last place with 15 percent of the votes, said, ''There's no bitterness in my disappointment because I think everyone's agreed and I certainly feel it has been a very good fight.''

Hurd said Major's election would unify the party.

''I know that he will be an excellent prime minister and he will have my full and unreserved support,'' Hurd said.

The Conservatives' standing in the polls soared after Thatcher announced she would resign Thursday. Heseltine challenged her 15-year tenure as party leader on a ballot last Tuesday. He fell short of beating her outright but inflicted irreversible damage and her support quickly bled away.

An opposition Labor Party official repeated a call for an early general election, which must be held by mid-1992.

''Neil Kinnock leads a united Labor Party. We're ready to fight a general election whenever the Tories have the guts to name a day,'' said MP Jack Cunningham.

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#90331u1469 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (NOV. 27) UPI - Following are the ten-day sales figures for car and light-duty trucks among the nation's domestic automakers:

Nov. 11-20 U.S. car sales

Firm	Latest Per	Year ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	77,538	66,338	up 16.9 pc
Ford	49,364	41,963	up 17.7 pc
Chrysler	22,362	20,187	up 10.8 pc
Honda	11,267	10,714	up 5.2 pc
Nissan	3,399	2,329	up 46.0 pc
Toyota	9,025	5,882	up 53.5 pc
Mazda	1,541	978	up 58.2 pc
Mitsubishi	1,383	990	up 39.7 pc
SIA	431	---	
Total	176,310	149,381	up 18.0 pc

Nov. 11-20 U.S. light truck sales

Firm	Latest Per	Year ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	44,180	39,000	up 10.6 pc
Ford	37,648	32,863	up 14.6 pc
Chrysler	22,865	22,741	up 0.5 pc
Nissan	2,709	3,327	off 8.6 pc
SIA	1,136	---	
Mazda	321	---	
Total	108,859	98,878	up 10.1 pc

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#90331u1489 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Tuesday it will offer $20 billion in 13- and 26-week T-bills at its weekly auction next Monday to raise $2.125 billion in new cash.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	66	3-4	up	1-8
AT&T Company	32	1-8	off	1-8
BCE Inc	33	1-2	off	1-8
Bell Atlantic	53	1-8	up	3-8
BellSouth Corp	53	1-4	off	1-4
Exxon Corp	50	1-4	off	3-4
Ford Motor Co	27	1-8	off	1-2
Genl Electric	53	1-2	up	1-8
General Motors	37	1-4	off	1-8
GTE Corp	28	1-4	up	1-4
IBM Corp	113	5-8	off	1-4
Mobil Oil Corp	58	7-8	up	1-4
Nynex Corp	70	1-8	up	1-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24	1-2	up	1-8
Pacific Telesis	44	3-8	up	1-8
Phila Electric	16	3-8	off	1-8
Sears Roebuck	x25	1-4	off	1-8
Southern Co	26	1-2	off	1-8
Sthwestern Bell	53	3-4	up	1 3-8
US West Inc	37	1-2	up	3-8

x-ex-dividend

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#90331u1499 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1022.9
Monday	1021.7
Week ago	1025.9
Month ago	1055.0
Year ago	1092.0
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1017.2

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2543.81	up	10.64
20 Trans	839.13	up	3.33
15 Utils	209.13	off	0.75
65 Stocks	883.72	up	2.39

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Tuesday	2543.81	up	10.64	839.13	up	3.33	209.13	off	0.75
Monday	2533.17	up	5.94	835.80	off	8.32	209.88	up	0.88
Week ago	2530.20	off	35.15	853.00	off	14.79	207. 05	off	1.64
Month ago	2448.02	up	17.82	825.07	off	2.04	210. 95	up	2.57
Year ago	2702.01	up	7.04	1177.28	off	1.06	223.03	up	0.57
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90331u1520 11/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.74

60 to 89 days 8.03

90 to 119 days 7.92

120 to 149 days 7.79

150 to 179 days 7.69

180 to 270 days 7.62

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.70 - 7.50

Issuers 30 days 7.62

Issuers 90 days 7.80

Issuers 270 days 7.40

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.83

60 to 89 days 8.31

90 to 119 days 8.21

120 to 149 days 8.14

150 to 179 days 8.09

180 days 8.09

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

1 month 7.875 - 8.00

3 month 8 5-16 - 8 7-16

6 month 8.125 - 8.25

Year 8.00 - 8.125

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.04 - 7.02

6 months 6.99 - 6.97

Year 6.83 - 6.81

Federal Funds: High 7 3/4, Low 7 5/8, Close 7 5/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.699 up 0.042.

(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90331u1521 11/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 13,060,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,058,597,010
Bonds - $4,000,000
1990 to date - $676,688,000

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#90331u1528 11/27/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - Sentiment appeared to grow in the Senate Tuesday to stall military action against Iraq and wait longer to see if economic sanctions further collapse Iraq's economy.

''If ever there was a case for giving peace a chance, this is it,'' said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass. ''This is one search for peace that does not involve appeasement of aggression. We should do all we lcan in Congress to stop this war before it starts.''

Kennedy's comments came at the initial congressional hearings on Gulf policy following the Nov. 8 announcment that the U.S. presence in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf region would be doubled - to about 400,000 by January - to put the multinational force there in a position to go on the offensive if necessary.

While Chairman Sam Nunn, D-Ga., did not endorse a delay, he said there is justification for military action to oust Iraq from Kuwait, the oil-rich emirate it overran Aug. 2.

But Nunn added, ''The question is whether military action is wise at this time and in our own national interest.''

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, declined to testify before expected U.N. action Thursday on a resolution authorizing military force to get Iraq out of Kuwait.

They will testify Monday. On Wednesday two former chairmen of the Joint Chiefs are to testify as well as former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger.

Nunn's sole witness Tuesday, James Schlesinger, said the administration expects that the embargo on Iraq will take a year to work. He said it appears to be working more quickly than expected and Iraq's economy is collapsing.

If no additional demands are added to the basic list of requirements - Iraqi

withdrawal from Kuwait, the restoration of the Kuwaiti government - ''the probability that the economic sanctions will result in a satisfactory outcome is very high.''

Schlesinger, a former secretary of defense and energy and CIA director, added that ''it seems rather illogical to express impatience with them (sanctions) because they will not have produced the hoped-for results in six months time.''

Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, added, ''Will the embargo work? We don't know yet. It's only been in a short period of time. Let's give it a chance.''

He also challenged President Bush to give a detailed explanation of the reasons for the U.S. presence in the region and the reasons a war might have to be fought so public opinion is united behind U.S. policy.

''We are talking about war and we've not heard more than sound bite justification,'' said Glenn.

Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., noting the debate will involve Congress and whether to authorize military action or even declare war, proposed as an alternative that Congress require that any money used for offensive operations in the gulf be spent only after Congress passes a resolution authorizing operations there.

And he said President Bush ''should be displaying American staying power for the long haul. It is American determination to make the economic sanctions work over a long period that is more likely to impress Saddam Hussein.''

At House Banking Committee hearings on the economic impact of the Gulf crisis, retired Rear Adm. Gene La Rocque, head of the Center for Defense Information, recommended that the sanctions be given a year to work and then, if Saddam has not pulled out of Kuwait, military action should be taken.

He also forecast that a military action that cuts off Iraqi forces in Kuwait from Baghdad and eventually captures Baghdad would inflict about 45,000 casualties on the U.S. forces, including about 10,000 deaths.

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#90331u1530 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.28	up 0.04
10 Public Utils	92.48	off 0.02
10 Industrials	88.09	up 0.10

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#90331u1538 11/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - The city denied Tuesday any irresponsibility in delaying public announcement for nearly three weeks of the recall of faulty condoms supplied to 300 public agencies for free distribution.

Under fire at a news conference for tardy disclosure of the recall of 750,000 Saxon condoms, Health Commissioner Woodrow A. Myers Jr. told reporters he felt his department had acted properly ''by contacting all organizations to whom we supply condoms'' Nov. 8.

The recall became public knowledge Monday when news of it apparently was leaked inadvertently to a writer by a department employee and was reported in the press. Dr. Myers' news conference was hastily organized Tuesday at Health Department headquarters.

He explained that the Health Department was informed by Safetex Corp. of Colonial Heights, Va., on Nov. 7 that 15 lots of Saxon spermicidal condoms may exceed the four per 1,000 pinhole leakage rate allowed by federal Food and Drug Administration standards.

He said Safetex asked for recall of these lots and promised replacement. Since the Department did not know to whom condoms from these lots had been distributed, the entire distribution of 750,000 Saxons was recalled, even though some had been distributed to the public.

''We don't know how many have been distributed or how remain at the agencies we serve, waiting to be picked up and returned to Safetex,'' he said.

''To suggest that every Saxon condom we distributed was defective would be wrong. They were not, and there was pretty low risk of pregnancy or transmission of disease. But it is a higher risk than we find acceptable.

''The agency that has the formal responsibility in this situation is the FDA.''

The commissioner said only 22 percent of the condoms distributed by his department come from Safetex. The other 78 percent comes from Ansell, a New Jersey firm, which has taken a new order for 500,000 condoms to be delivered in 30 days to help replace the recalled condoms.

The department has been supplying 50 AIDS and teenage pregnancy prevention agencies under contract for free condoms and 250 other organizations that receive condoms on request as they need them.

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#90331u1539 11/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 297.03, low 295.42, close 297.00, up 1.08.

There was a gain of 3 cents in the average share price.

Volume 13,060,000 shares, compared with 9, 460,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	7
New Lows	36
Advances	308
Declines	250
Unchanged	266
Total Issues	824

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#90331u1540 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - Food prices will rise 2 percent to 5 percent in 1991, a return to more moderate levels of price inflation after two years of increases in the range of 6 percent, the government forecast Tuesday.

The estimate from the Agricuture Department suggested food prices might return to the stable levels of the mid-1980s, when the year to year increases were a modest 2 percent or 3 percent.

Food prices are projected to show a rise of about 6 percent this year. Last winter's freeze in the South drove up fruit and vegetable prices. In addition, milk and meat prices ran at high levels for months.

''For 1991, a food price rise of 2 percent to 5 percent is in prospect,'' said James Donald, chairman of the department's World Agricultural Outlook Board. ''Projected record meat supplies, higher dairy product output and the likelihood of bigger citrus crops this season will moderate food price rises.''

A projected lower inflation rate for the U.S. economy could help too, Donald said, since it would hold down any increases in marketing costs.

The higher oil prices that followed Iraq's invasion of Kuwait could play a role in determining the size of food price increases. Higher energy costs would affect virtually every phase of the food system, from the cost of growing crops to the cost of shipping, packaging, processing and selling them.

The major price increases this year were in fresh fruits, expected to rise 14 percent to 17 percent; pork up 10 percent to 14 percent; processed fruits up 10 to 13 percent and dairy products up 8 percent to 10 percent.

Farmers are estimated to produce a record 64.25 billion pounds of beef, pork, veal, mutton and poultry meat in 1991, a 3 percent to 226.6 pounds of meat for every American. Milk output is projected to rise 1 percent-2 percent from this

year's 148 billion pounds although prices are expected to soften.

The citrus crop, slashed by a devastating Christmas weekend freeze last year, is projected at 13.5 million tons this season, up 26 percent. The new harvest is under way.

The government index of fresh fruit prices reached a record level last July.

Food prices zoomed 5.8 percent in 1989, the largest increase since the 7.8 percent increase chalked up in 1981. The 1989 increases were a result of short supplies of fruits and vegetables, a consequence of the 1988 drought, plus higher prices for the fruit and fiber-packed cereals popular with health-conscious consumers.

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#90331u1541 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 27) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	173.87	up	0.91
ASE Market Value Index	297.00	up	1.08
Dow-Jones Industrial	2543.81	up	10.64

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#90331u1547 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks	-	147,590,000 shares
1990 to date	-	36,076,537,841
Warrants	-	1,282,900
1990 to date	-	234,788,700

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#90331u1556 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2538.12	2562.62	2516.09	2543.81	up 10.64
20 Trans	837.65	846.52	831.55	839.13	up 3.33
15 Utils	209.76	211.20	207.75	209.13	off 0.75
65 Stock	882.70	890.98	875.19	883.72	up 2.39

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Tuesday	Monday
Indus	18,562,800	16,313,600
Trans	2,508,100	3,198,500
Utils	2,025,300	1,852,900

65 Stock 23,096,200 21,365,000

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.28	up 0.04
10 Public Utils	92.48	off 0.02
10 Industrials	88.09	up 0.10

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 124.71 off 0.66.

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#90331u1557 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA (NOV. 27) UPI - Czechoslovakia, concerned with a growing influx of refugees from economic collapse, famine, civil unrest and ethnic strife in former East Block countries, is taking stronger measures to protect itself, authorities said Tuesday.

Interior Minister Jan Langos told a news conference he has been coordinating actions with the Hungarian and Polish interior ministries to check the potential flood of people, mostly from the Soviet Union but also from poorer former East Bloc states such as Romania.

''We must all agree on new border measures and checkpoints with the Soviet Union,'' Langos said.

A presidential adviser said as many as 50 million refugees, more than three times Czecholsovakia's population, could flee the Soviet Union when Moscow implements its plan to abolish exit visas and distribute passports freely next year.

President Vaclav Havel, on his return from last week's European summit in Paris, said the problem is too big for Eastern European countries to face alone, nor should they.

''I believe we should view it as a European problem and respond along international lines,'' Havel said.

A senior aide to Langos, Martin Fendrych, said border patrols and defenses will be strengthened and measures will be taken to ensure that those crossing into Czechoslovakia from the Soviet Union will return home.

''Very likely there will be some screening measures taken at the frontier to find whether those asking for asylum will meet the requirement for refugee status, and to see if they have enought money to stay here and go back home,'' Fendrych said.

He said apart from the defections of three Soviet soldiers stationed in

Czechoslovakia, he knew of no requests for asylum from Soviet citizens living here.

But the American and British embassies have had inquiries in recent months from Soviets seeking asylum in those countries. No requests have been granted because the Soviets are not considered in danger while in Czechoslovakia.

A senior Western diplomat in Prague said Soviet refugees are unlikely to want to stay in Czechoslovakia, but more likely would cross the unguarded border with the former East Germany.

On Nov. 16, the Parliament passed a law on refugees and created a special government office to deal with them.

Refugee Commissioner Viktor Parkan told the Prague daily Lidove Noviny the public is morally and psychically unprepared to accept refugees.

''We can expect that an overwhelming percentage of these refugees will pass through our territory, which is horrifying,'' said Jiri Krizan, Havel's adviser for military and political affairs.

''We are now trying to cope with sheltering and feeding the 100 Romanians we have here and already that is causing problems,'' he said.

The situation is complicated by the 17,000 ethnic Czechs and Slovaks living in the Ukraine and several tens of thousands elsewhere in the Soviet Union, who went as agricultural colonists to Czarist Russia.

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#90331u1563 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 27) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Tuesday - 9,639,000

1990 to date - 2,249,685,000

The market closed higher.

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#90331u1570 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (NOV. 27) UPI - The lawyer who once represented Charles Stuart went to court Tuesday to fight a subpoena ordering him to testify before the grand jury investigating the murder of Stuart's pregnant wife.

Suffolk County prosecutors hope to learn what John Dawley may know about the shooting that rocked the city.

Carol DiMaiti Stuart, a pregnant attorney from suburban Reading, was fatally

shot on Oct. 23, 1989, after she and her furrier husband left a birthing class at a nearby hospital. Charles Stuart, who initially blamed the attack on a black robber, committed suicide on Jan. 4 as police sought to arrest him for the crime.

Stuart is believed to have detailed the crime to Dawley, his attorney, in a long conversation one day before he plunged from a bridge into the Mystic River.

The manhunt for the alleged robber angered the city's black community, which accused police of heavy-handed and indiscriminate searches of residents in the inner-city neighborhood where the shooting occurred.

Dawley has said attorney-client privilege prevents him from divulging anything Stuart may have told him about the case, and that state's highest court ruled on Nov. 5 that prosecutors could not force Dawley to break that trust.

Nevertheless, District Attorney Newman Flanagan subpoenaed Dawley and John J. Perenyi, an attorney who once represented Stuart's brother Matthew, to testify before the grand jury.

It was Matthew Stuart who went to police with evidence that incriminated his brother in the murder. Matthew said he met his brother on the night of the killing and agreed to dispose of a gun and several other items, but said he did not realize he was assisting in a killing. He allegedly said he thought he was helping his brother stage a robbery in order to cheat an insurance company.

Perenyi was also expected to fight the subpoena, but he did not appear in court Tuesday. Dawley appeared in a closed-door hearing before Judge Constance Sweeney, who took the matter under advisement.

Neither Dawley nor first Assistant District Attorney Thomas Mundy had comments for reporters as they entered the courtroom. But Nancy Gertner, the attorney now representing Matthew Stuart, said prosecutors were trying to undermine a client's basic right to keep conversations with his attorney confidential.

''How many times do we have to be raising the same issue?'' she asked, saying it was an instance of ''lawyers being used against their clients. This is exactly what they are not supposed to do.''

Despite recent media reports speculating the grand jury would indict Matthew Stuart for insurance fraud, Gertner said she had ''no indication at all'' that any action was planned against her client.

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#90331u1577 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 27) UPI - The Moldavian Parliament voted Tuesday to annul the

results of elections for a separate legislature in the Russian-speaking Dniester region of the republic.

Voting that was completed Sunday defied an earlier Moldavian decree and the threat of violence by Moldavian vigilantes, so Tuesday's action was likely to have little effect on the leaders of the self-declared Dniester republic.

The elections in the Russian-speaking region east of the Dniester river were dominated by Russian and Ukrainian Communists intent on keeping Moldavia from separating from the Soviet Union and preventing what they call Moldavian discrimination against ethnic minorities in the republic.

Moldavia's Parliament declared the elections ''null and void'' in a resolution Tuesday and said ''the actions of secessionist leaders and the polling have increased ethnic rifts,'' the Moldavian news agency reported.

Deputy Parliament Speaker Viktor Pushkash charged the elections were undemocratic because of alleged threats and pressure on voters.

Russians and Ukrainians in the Dniester region of Moldavia and Gagauzis in the republic's southern part declared their own autonomous regions earlier this year because of fears that minority rights will be trampled under Moldavian nationalism and the majority group's desire to reunite with neighboring Romania.

At least three people were reported killed in the Dniester region earlier this month in clashes between Russian-speaking residents and Moldavian militia and vigilantes, and elections last month to set up a separate Parliament in the Gagauz region also led to ethnic confrontations.

A republic of 4.4 million people, Moldavia was formed by joining a former Moldavian autonomous area of the Ukraine with large areas of Romania that Josef Stalin seized in 1940 as part of a secret pact with Nazi Germany's Adolf Hitler.

Moldavians, whose language is a dialect of Romanian, make up 64 percent of the republic's population, Ukrainians 14.2 percent and Russians 12.8 percent. Gagauzis represent 3.5 percent and Jews 2 percent of the people in the tiny republic.

Leaders of the Dniester region are demanding that the Popular Front- dominated Moldavian government resign and that a law making Moldavian the official language in the republic be repealed.

They are also seeking assurances that Moldavia will remain in the Soviet Union rather than pursue the Popular Front's goal of eventual unity with Romania.

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#90331u1595 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Atlantic and Gulf Coast longeshoremen have ratified a new master contract that gives a wage and fringe benefit boost while allowing a reduction in workers required on container gangs, it was reported Tuesday.

John Bowers, president of the International Longeshoremen's Assocation, said the new contract is for three years and ten months, and covers ports from Maine to Texas. He said nearly 7,916 of the 8,828 union members voted in favor of the contract. Local bargaining, however, was still continuing in all the ports, centering around benefits, working hours and guaranteed income, he said.

"Both the ILA and management were happy with the agreement," Bowers said. "ILA members will receive increases in their salary and fringe benefit plans, while employers got reductions on container gangs that will help them remain competitive."

He said the master contract would go into effect Dec. 1, and contains increases of a dollar an hour that will bring straight time to $22 an hour during the last year of the contract.

The contract also calls for increases in the employers' contributions to the welfare, pension and other fringe benfit plans, he said. ILA employers obtained a reduction in container gang size by two men. The first reduction on Dec. 1, and the second on Oct. 1, 1992.

The union also agreed in the master contract that local ports or districts may institute a system of flexible hours at waterfront terminals on a local basis to allow for the continuous receiving and delivery of containers, he said. Details of the "flex-time" were being worked out on a local basis, Bowers said.

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#90331u1602 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	28.30-28.35	28.15-28.20
North Sea Brent	34.70-34.75	34.80-34.85
West Texas Intermed	32.85-32.95	34.00-34.05
Light Louisiana Sweet	34.10-34.25	34.00-34.15
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	85.50-85.75	85.45-85.70

No. 2 Heating oil	90.95-91.10	91.90-92.15
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	81.75-82.00	81.80-82.05
No. 2 Heating oil	88.95-89.15	90.15-90.35

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#90331u1607 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

LANDOVER, Md. (NOV. 27) UPI - Bernard King, the NBA's leading scorer, signed a multi-year contract extension Tuesday with the Washington Bullets, a pact General Manager John Nash said he hoped would ensure the 33-year- old forward will remain a Bullet for the rest of his career.

Also Tuesday, the Bullets activated guard Ledell Eackles, who sat out all of training camp and the first week of the season in a contract dispute. However, Nash said forward John Williams, another preseason holdout, likely will not be in playing shape until at least January.

King, a week short of his 34th birthday, is leading the NBA in scoring, averaging 30.2 points a game heading into Tuesday night's game against Golden State. In the Bullets' first 11 games, he has scored 30 or more points eight times and exceeded 40 twice.

King's current contract, paying him a reported $3.1 million over two years, expires at the end of this season. Nash said it was ''fair to assume'' the new contract extension would pay him more, but he would not reveal its exact terms.

King, who reportedly was seeking a two-year extension, was not immediately available for comment.

Nash said he hoped the new pact would mean King would play out his NBA career in Washington.

''That's our intent and I think it's his as well,'' Nash said.

King's career almost came to an end in March 1985 when he suffered a severe knee injury while playing for the New York Knicks. He missed all of the 1985-86 season and played only six games in 1986-87. After undergoing a lengthy and strenuous rehabilitation, the Bullets signed King in October 1987 as a free agent.

To make room for Eackles on the active roster, the Bullets moved guard Larry Robinson to the injured reserve list. Robinson has tendinitis in his left ankle.

Coach Wes Unseld said Eackles would be in uniform for the Warriors game. He is expected to join Darrell Walker in the starting backcourt as soon as Unseld

feels he is ready.

Eackles ended his holdout Nov. 12, signing a two-year deal worth $1.4 million. Eackles then began working out at Bowie State College to make up for missing camp.

The 6-foot-5 shooting guard averaged 13.5 points a game last season, but in seven starts averaged 25.3 a game. The Bullets are one of the NBA's least productive teams on offense and have needed his scoring ability.

With King's contract settled and Eackles back on the roster, the Bullets have only to get Williams back in action. Williams suffered a season-ending knee injury last December, then skipped training camp in a rehabilitation dispute with management.

Williams, 24, returned from his home in Los Angeles days before the season started and has been working his way back into shape. While neither Williams nor the Bullets would comment on Williams' weight, he appeared to be about 40 pounds above his playing weight of 255 when he rejoined the team three weeks ago.

Williams' offensive presence has also been sorely missed this season. In 18 games before being injured last season, Williams averaged 18.2 points a game. In four seasons with the Bullets, Williams has averaged 13.5 points a game.

''We're still not at full strength until we still have John Williams, '' Nash said. ''In John's case, we do not expect to have him before the first of January. It's a target date.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 18 points higher to 24 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	75.38	75.69	75.32	75.54	75.38
Mar	73.66	74.17	73.66	74.03	73.85
May	73.60	73.80	73.60	73.65	73.80
Jly	73.72	73.85	73.61	73.61	73.85
Oct	67.75	67.75	67.70	67.68	67.65
Dec	65.30	65.30	65.16	65.18	65.24
Mar	66.00	....	....	65.90	66.03
May	66.10	....	....	66.50	66.53

Estimated sales: 4,200 contracts

Open interest: 40,162 off 125.

The World spot average: 69.34

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Tremont Corp	2,353,400	1 1/2	up 3/8
MCA Inc	2,239,300	65 3/4	up 5/8
Philip Morris	1,789,100	48 7/8	off 1/4
Waste Management	1,719,700	31 7/8	off 1/4
Genl Motors	1,576,000	37 3/8	unch
Baxter Intl	1,567,400	27	up 3/4
IBM Corp	1,531,500	113 1/2	off 3/8
PepsiCo	1,388,000	26	up 3/8
Limited Inc	1,351,800	14 7/8	up 3/4
Genl Electric	1,337,500	53 1/2	up 1/8
Amer Express	1,317,400	20 1/8	off 1/8
Citicorp	1,296,400	13	off 1/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,287,200	31 3/4	up 5/8
Wstnghouse Elec	1,244,500	25 3/4	up 1/8
GTE Corp	1,235,100	28 1/4	up 1/4

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Energy Service	1,212,400	2 1/2	up 3/8
BAT Industries	1,064,900	11 3/16	up 1/8
Fruit of Loom	443,200	7 3/4	off 1/8
Echo Bay Mines	381,600	8	unch
Contl Air Hldgs	369,900	3 1/4	unch
Salomon Phibro	369,300	3 1/2	off 1/4
Amdahl Corp	295,100	14	unch
New York TimesA	208,500	18	off 1/2
OMI Corp	205,400	5	up 1/8
Bolar Pharm Co	192,100	4	up 5/8

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(NOV. 27) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Tuesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6200	up 75
Atl Rich pfA	870	up 16 1/2
Square D	45 3/8	off 9 1/8
Athl Rich pfC	306 3/4	up 6 1/4
Amer Brands pfA	157	up 6
Rockwell pfB	187	up 5 1/2
Indiana Mch pf	75	up 4 7/8
Virginia El pfM	95	up 4 1/4
Beneficial pfC	184 1/2	off 4
Compaq Computr	53 1/2	up 3 3/8
Time Warner Inc	85 3/8	up 3 1/8

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - The dollar stumbled in New York trading Tuesday after the currency market was churned by a rumor, later disavowed, that a big U.S. insurance company had filed for bankruptcy.

Equitable Assurance Society of the United States issued a statement denying it planned to file for protection from creditors under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, as the unfounded rumors had suggested.

"By then, the dollar had already sagged a bit," said Robert Hatcher, a Barclay's Bank trader in New York, but "bounced back a little bit" when the nervous bankruptcy talk dissipated.

In late New York trading, the dollar stood at 1.48 German marks, down from 1.4865 Monday, and 128.20 Japanese yen, down from 129.00. "The dollar all in all had a poor day," Hatcher said. "It was under pressure across the board" on pessimism about the U.S. economy.

The British pound strengthened to $1.9830 from $1.9695 after members of the ruling Conservative Party in Parliament voted to elect John Major as head of the party, meaning he will succeed Margaret Thatcher as prime minister.

News that Michael Heseltine, whose challenge forced Thatcher out, and Douglas Hurd, Thatcher's foreign secretary, conceded defeat though Major fell two votes short, made players bullish on sterling.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2590 Swiss francs, down from 1.2615; 4.9920 French francs, down from 5.0115; and 1,110 Italian lire, down from 1,115.

In Europe, the dollar declined on bearish U.S. economic prospects, traders said. The dollar could expect only a short rally if war were to break out in the Persian Gulf, said Barclays de Zoete Wedd dealer Wayne Andrews.

A vote by the U.N. Security Council on a resolution setting a January deadline for Iraq to pull out of Kuwait is expected Thursday. If the Persian Gulf situation remains quiet until January, the dollar could come under more pressure, analysts said.

The dollar slipped in Frankfurt, to 1.4840 German marks vs. 1.4915 Monday, and in Zurich, to 1.2595 Swiss francs vs. 1.2650.

In London, the pound gained on the dollar to finish at $1.9745 vs. $1.9655 Monday, buoyed by the market's belief that Major, appointed chancellor of the exchequer by Thatcher, would win a vote to succeed her.

The dollar also closed lower in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at, respectively: 5.0190 French francs vs. 5.0300; 30.69 Belgian francs vs. 30.7750; and 1,115.85 Italian lire vs. 1,118.30.

Earlier, the U.S. dollar surged against the yen in Tokyo on expectations the U.N. will authorize the use of force to eject of Iraq from occupied Kuwait. The dollar closed at 128.95 yen, up from 127.95 Monday.

"Investors expect the U.S. proposal to go through and lend an upward pressure on the dollar," said Junpei Ishii, a senior vice president at Taiyoi Kobe Mitsui Bank. But Ishii predicted the dollar's firmness would not last.

In Zurich, gold closed lower at $384.50 an ounce vs. $387.50 Monday. London gold also declined, to $385 an ounce from $387.

Silver closed lower in Zurich, at $4.15 against $4.20, and London, at $4.13 an ounce against $4.19.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $385.25 an ounce, downfrom $386.25 Monday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $385.20 an ounce, down from $386.10.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.12 an ounce, down from $4.17 Monday. Comex silver concluded trading at $4.102 an ounce, off from $4.152.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 27) UPI - With two of Hollywood's key players, Columbia and MCA, now in Japanese hands, analysts said Tuesday Paramount could well be the next studio to come under foreign control.

"I would say that Paramount is the crown jewel of what is left," said Jeffrey Logsdon, an analyst with Seidler Amdec Securities in Los Angeles. "The number of players that are available to major foreign investors is starting to run

out."

Logsdon and other industry watchers said that the trend toward globalization, as exemplified in Matsushita's $6.13 billion cash buyout of MCA Inc. Monday, is likely to continue as foreign players look for ways to take advantage of the growing appetite for American entertainment.

For its part, Paramount has been searching for ways to expand, as evidenced by its failed hostile takeover of Time Inc. last year. The studio announced Monday that "Ghost," the year's top-grossing domestic film, has topped $110 million in ticket sales overseas since its foreign opening Sept. 28.

The film, currently showing in 28 countries, is already the No. 1 film of the year in the United Kingdom and trails only "Crocodile Dundee" and "E.T." on the all-time list.

The MCA deal is the fourth that places an American studio into foreign ownership. The trend began with the 1985 acquisition of Twentieth Century Fox by Australia-based News Corp. for $575 million. Matsushita's arch-rival, Sony Corp., bought Columbia Pictures last year in a $5 billion deal and Italian investor Giancarlo Parretti bought MGM/UA for $1.36 billion several weeks ago.

The MCA deal now leaves just four of the eight major Hollywood studios in American hands: Disney, Orion, Paramount, and Warner Bros. "The fact that so few major studios are left that have not been acquired gives Paramount a scarcity value," Logsdon said.

Analyst Steven Hill of investment bankers Sutro & Co. in San Francisco agreed. "There is probably a concern that if you want to buy, you have to buy now," Hill said.

"Paramount is available, but it would take a huge player," Hill said. He estimates that the entire company has a break-up value of between $7.5 billion and $10.1 billion.

Paramount made an unsuccessful bid last year for Time Inc., which subsequently bought Warner Communications, and has been looking for medium-sized acquisitions itself, but none have emerged.

Analysts believe that the company may also agree to more joint ventures, similar to its 49 percent purchase of London-based Zenith Productions earlier this year.

Other foreign investment may come in forms similar to Disney's recent $600 million deal with Japanese investors, headed by Yamaichi Securities, to finance future films. "You're going to see a lot more horizontal integration," Logsdon said.

Still, analysts say that as more mergers and buyouts occur, major investors will become more willing to take the plunge. "The entertainment business is very volatile. But in what other industry can an idea turn into $100 million in two years," Hill said. "Matsushita would not have done this deal if it didn't see a potential profit."

All the same, analysts say it is unlikely that the next suitor seeking a piece of Hollywood will be Japanese. "I think that the Japanese government would discourage any more ownership of American studios," given the potential backlash from the American public, said Paul Marsh, an analyst with Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards in Los Angeles.

Some of the rumored players with deep enough pockets to buy Paramount include West German industrial giant Bertelsmann AG, Swiss food conglomerate Nestle S.A. and South Korean electronics giant Samsung.

Paramount, owned by New York-based Paramount Communications Inc., has been one of the most consistent makers of profitable movies. But, except for "Ghost," it also had a rough summer when a trio of its high-budget films - "Days of Thunder," "Another 48 HRS" and "The Two Jakes" - failed to live up to expectations.

In September, Paramount removed Sidney Ganis from his post as co-chief of the studio and replaced him with former Disney executive David Kirkpatrick. Reports have subsequently emerged that the studio has started to come down hard on film production costs.

Meanwhile, analysts say Disney and Warner are unlikely candidates for a foreign buyout at this point, since Warner was merged just a year ago with Time Inc., and a deal for Disney would be not be politically "doable." "A buyout of Disney would invite legislation, because Mickey Mouse is on the same plateau as Statue of Liberty," Marsh said.

Troubled Orion, the smallest of the major studios, announced last month that it had hired investment bankers Salomon Brothers to "explore strategic alternatives." The studio has been plagued by a heavy debt load and a string of duds at the box office, although its current release, "Dances With Wolves," has performed well.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Tuesday 378.35 up 8.11.

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#90331u1646 11/27/1990 ~United Press International
SACRAMENTO, CA (NOV. 27) UPI - Seventy percent of the people who get paid to help Californians with their taxes say the federal income tax system is in serious trouble, a recent survey released Tuesday showed.

The survey of 2,000 enrolled agents, certified public accountants and tax preparers was conducted by the California Society of Enrolled Agents, with a 4 percent margin of error.

''Tax laws and regulations are more complicated than they've ever been,'' CSEA President Donna Nance said upon releasing the poll results. ''When citizens with relatively simple financial dealings are afraid to prepare their own tax returns, the whole system is in trouble.''

Interviewers found that 32 percent of the survey respondents believe the tax system is in ''very severe'' difficulty, and another 37 percent described the situation as ''severe and getting worse.''

Taxpayers are so bewildered by the complexity of tax laws that they are less inclined to comply with them, the survey found. Thirty-five percent of the tax professionals said tax laws ''greatly discourage compliance'' and another 34 percent said the laws ''somewhat discourage compliance.''

Sixty-one percent of the respondents said most of their clients feel they are worse off under current tax law than in previous years.

Almost half of the tax practitioners blamed the increasing complexity of tax regulations on special interest groups that influence legislators to write in loopholes and other benefits.

Consequently, 75 percent of the respondents said so-called tax reforms enacted in recent years have produced tax laws ''too complex for the Internal Revenue Service to effectively administer.''

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#90331u1652 11/27/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - NASA and the company that built the Hubble Space Telescope share the blame for failing to detect the flaw that crippled the instrument's powers, a NASA report concluded Tuesday.

Workers at the Perkin-Elmer Corp. in Danbury, Conn., had at least three major chances to find the defect before the telescope was placed into orbit in April but the employees wrongly dismissed the signs, the report said.

In addition, employees in Perkin-Elmer's optical division failed to bring the signs of trouble to the attention of top company officials or anyone at NASA,

said Lew Allen, who led a team that investigated the embarrassing flaw for NASA and issued the report.

However, NASA also must accept responsibility because the agency was in charge of the project and oversaw the work, Allen said.

''Perkin-Elmer should have not have allowed a situation for those inhibited communications to exist. NASA had every right to expect that Perkin-Elmer would have done a better job than this,'' Allen said at a news conference.

''On the other hand, it is fundamentally NASA's responsibility as the government agency to get this done. NASA should have been aware of what was happening at Perkin-Elmer,'' he said. ''I think you have to say each ... has to bear responsibility.''

Sen. Al Gore, D.-Tenn., who held hearings to investigate the telescope's defect, said the report ''makes crystal clear'' the need for NASA to ''continue its efforts to strengthen testing and quality control efforts.''

Lennard Fisk, NASA's associate administrator for the Office of Space Science and Applications, said it was ''premature'' to say whether the agency would take action against Perkin-Elmer, which is now called Hughes Danbury Optical Systems Inc.

Hughes Danbury had no immediate comment.

Fisk acknowledged the mistakes that led to both the 1986 explosion of the space shuttle Challenger accident and Hubble defect had some similarities. But Fisk noted Hubble's problem occurred 10 years ago and the agency had taken many steps since then to avoid such mistakes.

''Considerable effort has been made to promote communication,'' he said.

Allen noted that his panel checked whether similar problems exist with another NASA project underway at Hughes Danbury and found that improvements had been made.

Although the telescope can do valuable research despite its flaw, NASA plans to correct the defect in 1993 by installing a modified camera on board. The repair will cost between $40 million and $50 million, Fisk said.

The long-awaited $1.5 billion telescope was expected to revolutionize astronomy by being able to study the universe in greater detail than ever before through its advanced optical system and perch 381 miles above Earth.

But about two months after the instrument was placed into orbit, NASA was shocked to discover the telescope's supposedly perfect primary mirror was misshapen, preventing the telescope from bringing starlight into sharp focus.

An embarrassed NASA formed the six-member panel to investigate the defect headed by Allen, director of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif.

The panel discovered the problem apparently was caused when a Perkin- Elmer worker incorrectly set a device called a reflective null corrector, which was used to measure the mirror while it was being precisely ground.

Employees had indications there was a problem when they had to install washers in the device to compensate for the faulty setting, and twice more when tests with other instruments, called refractive and inverse null correctors, indicated the mirror was shaped wrong.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	17	15	18
New lows	49	56	83

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	948	92,267,300
Declines	572	37,944,100
Unchanged	481	17,378,600
Total	2,001	147,590,000

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(NOV. 27) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	7
New lows	37

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	308	5,652,800
Declines	250	4,470,100
Unchanged	266	2,937,100
Total	824	13,060,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	174.01	172.68	173.87	up 0.91
Industrial	215.42	214.08	215.13	up 1.10
Transport	133.26	132.66	132.64	up 0.13
Utility	89.39	89.02	89.29	up 0.21
Finance	116.44	115.26	116.44	up 1.23

Equivalent to a gain of 15 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 147,590,000 shares.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	229.20	231.80	228.10	231.50	229.60
Mar	233.00	233.90	232.20	233.60	231.70
Jun	....	....	....	235.80	233.90
Sep	....	....	....	238.20	236.30

Estimated volume: 490 contracts.

Open interest: 1,466 up 132.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	317.80	320.00	316.25	319.65	318.20
Mar	320.40	322.50	318.80	322.25	320.75
Jun	323.70	325.50	322.15	325.25	323.75
Sep	326.80	328.30	325.15	328.20	326.45

Estimated volume: 61,535 contracts.

Open interest: 155,768 off 163.

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	173.85	174.85	172.90	174.70	173.95
Mar	175.10	176.00	174.35	175.95	175.20
Jun	176.50	176.50	176.50	177.25	176.50

Open interest: 4,926 up 373.

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	537.50	540.00	534.00	538.10	538.30
Jan	537.00	541.75	536.75	540.10	540.40
Feb	538.25	542.00	537.00	540.30	540.60

Estimated volume: 2,562 contracts.

Open interest: 7,668 up 75.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - Oil prices receded Tuesday after reports of excess crude in the Persian Gulf.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, the benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for January delivery was down 9 cents to $32.86 a barrel after trading as low as $32.40 and as high as $33.90.

WTI prices began falling after 1:00 p.m. EST, when reports hit the exchange floor that Iran had leased seven ultra-large crude carriers to store 15 million barrels of excess oil, said Tom Blakeslee of Pegasus Econometrics Group in Hoboken, N.J.

''Saudi Arabia is doing similar things, but it hasn't been reported yet,'' Blakeslee said.

Prices earlier had been trading near Monday's $32.95 close, alternatively higher and lower into the afternoon, as profit-taking cancelled out buying in anticipation of a United Nations vote on use of force in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Ann Louise Hittle, senior oil analyst at Shearson Lehman Brothers in New York, said the market was waiting to see the American Petroleum Institute's weekly inventory report and the results of Thursday's anticipated vote of the U.N. Security Council, expected to set a January deadline for Iraq to pull its forces from Kuwait, under occupation since Aug. 2.

''It's the stories with regard to the Thursday resolution. That's the main reason I'm seeing here,'' said Joe Miller of Lehman Brothers' International Energy Department.

''The market is seeking direction while every one is waiting for the U.N. resolution,'' one market expert said. ''In any case production (from the Middle East) is fairly high and unless something is confirmed such as the U.N. resolution, there will be reluctance to buy aggressively.''

The push to higher prices from the market's anticipation of the United Nations vote was tempered by the taking of profits on WTI's runup of $4.04 a barrel - 13.9 percent - over the previous three trading sessions, the trader said.

Peter Beutel, analyst at Pegasus Econometrics Group at Hoboken, N.J., said prices were also affected by lower demand for heating oil, which acts as a baromenter for petroleum prices during this season. He said heating oil demand was now about 4.5 percent less than during the same time last year.

Hittle said she expected the API report, to be released after the close of the Merc Tuesday, to show U.S. crude supplies declined by up to 1 million barrels last week, with similar small reductions in stocks of gasoline and heating oil.

Home heating oil for December delivery fell 0.89 cent on the Merc to 91.49 cents a gallon. But December unleaded gasoline made up its earlier loss and settled 0.52 cent higher to 84.72 cents a gallon.

The Merc suspended trading for a half hour at noon to conduct a fire drill. Traders said the suspension had no effect on prices.

On the European spot market, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent gave up 10 cents over Monday to $34.70 a barrel.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - added 15 cents to $28.30 a barrel.

Shell Oil Co. and Conoco Inc., the Houston based subsidiary of Du Pont, both raised the posted price they will pay for crude at the wellhead. Conoco hiked its price by $1.25 to $31.75 a barrel for WTI and Shell increased its price $3 a barrel to a WTI price of $30.75.

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#90331u1671 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (NOV. 27) UPI - The presidents of Brazil and Argentina will sign an agreement Wednesday designed to prevent either country from developing nuclear weapons.

Brazil's Fernando Collor de Mello and Carlos Menem of Argentina will sign the agreement in the border city of Foz de Iguacu, Brazil, 750 miles southwest of Rio de Janeiro.

The accord is expected to end decades of rivalry that allowed both countries to develop secret nuclear programs. The pact creates a joint monitoring system for nuclear material that will allow South America's two largest countries to inspect the other's military installations, research centers, and existing nuclear reactors, sources said.

The monitoring system will permit the governments of Argentina and Brazil to know precisely how much enriched uranium the other country possesses, where it is located and what it will be used for, sources said. Enriched uranium is the key component of atomic weapons.

Under the agreement, both countries will be obligated to disclose the quantity of nuclear material they possess to the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna, sources said.

Brazil's secretary of science and technology, Jose Goldemberg, said the agreement would seek to end ''the wicked reciprocal arrangement of maintaining nuclear activities without inspection,'' and that it would attempt ''to do away with the warlike phantoms sustained between the two countries.''

Representatives of the International Atomic Energy Agency and the Organization for the Regulation of Nuclear Arms in Latin America were also scheduled to attend the midday meeting.

The agreement will permit Brazilian specialists to inspect two existing Argentine nuclear power programs: Atucha I, built with German cooperation, and Embalse, built with Canada's help.

Argentine specialists will inspect the Brazilian nuclear power reactors of Angra I and those of Angra II and Angra III, which are presently dormant.

The Brazilian press has recently reported that Brazil received 200 tons of enriched uranium from China during the government of Gen. Joao Baptista Figueiredo, who governed Brazil from 1979 to 1985.

Collor announced Sept. 24 at the U.N. General Assembly that he would not allow nuclear explosions in Brazil, even for peaceful purposes.

Earlier, he announced the end of Brazil's secret nuclear program, as he filled in a pit that was designed to be part of a nuclear testing site in northern Brazil.

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#90331u1682 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Tue	Mon	Tue	Mon
Argntn austral	.000197	.000194	5081.00	5145.00
Australia dlr	.7688	.7660	1.3007	1.3055
Austria schill	.0958	.0953	10.44	10.49
Belgium franc-c	.0327	.0324	30.57	30.83
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0079	.0080	127.36	125.61
Britain pound	1.9750	1.9680	.5063	.5081
Britain 1-mo	1.9650	1.9577	.5089	.5108
Britain 3-mo	1.9506	1.9435	.5127	.5145
Britain 6-mo	1.9312	1.9242	.5178	.5197

Canada dollar	.8613	.8620	1.1610	1.1601
Canada 1-mo	.8583	.8590	1.1651	1.1642
Canada 3-mo	.8531	.8535	1.1722	1.1717
Canada 6-mo	.8464	.8470	1.1815	1.1806
Chile peso-f	.003225	.003238	310.07	308.79
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001848	.001852	541.07	539.98
Denmark krne	.1755	.1750	5.6970	5.7130
Ecudr sucre-z	.001172	.001175	853.12	851.17
Egypt pound	.3601	.3589	2.7768	2.7866
Finlnd mrkka	.2817	.2807	3.5500	3.5630
France franc	.2005	.1987	4.9875	5.0320
France 1-mo	.2002	.1985	4.9949	5.0389
France 3-mo	.1997	.1979	5.0083	5.0522
France 6-mo	.1986	.1969	5.0355	5.0798
Greece drach	.006604	.006611	151.42	151.27
Hollnd guildr	.5993	.5967	1.6685	1.6760
HongKong dlr	.1284	.1284	7.7900	7.7910
India rupee	.0557	.0557	17.96	17.94
Indo'sa rupia	.000537	.000537	1863.00	1861.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.8060	1.7922	0.5537	0.5580
Israel shekel	.5086	.5102	1.9660	1.9600
Italy lira	.000901	.000897	1109.50	1115.00
Japan yen	.007800	.007758	128.20	128.90
Japan 1-mo	.007809	.007773	128.05	128.65
Japan 3-mo	.007862	.007819	127.20	127.90
Japan 6-mo	.007877	.007881	126.95	126.88
Jordan dinar	1.5533	1.5603	.6438	.6409
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000343	.000343	2917.00	2913.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6111	.6124	1.6364	1.6329
Norway krne	.1729	.1718	5.7830	5.8210
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.60	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	423,550	423,550
P'pnes peso-z	.0363	.0365	27.56	27.36
Portugl escud	.007687	.007690	130.09	130.04
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5857	.5852	1.7075	1.7088
S.Africa rand	.3990	.3992	2.5061	2.5052
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010663	.010613	93.78	94.22
Sweden krona	.1803	.1792	5.5460	5.5800
Switzrl franc	.7946	.7896	1.2585	1.2665
Switzrl 1-mo	.7944	.7905	1.2588	1.2650
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7936	.7897	1.2601	1.2663

Switzrl 6-mo	.7925	.7886	1.2618	1.2681
Taiwan dollar	.0369	.0369	27.09	27.07
Turkey lira	.000360	.000361	2777.00	2768.04
UAE dirham	.2732	.2732	3.6604	3.6604
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0203	.0202	49.36	49.39
Germany mark	.6752	.6702	1.4810	1.4920
Germany 1-mo	.6750	.6701	1.4814	1.4923
Germany 3-mo	.6740	.6689	1.4836	1.4949
Germany 6-mo	.6720	.6667	1.4881	1.5000
Yugosl dinar	.0979	.0979	10.21	10.21

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90331u1684 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 27) UPI - The backup Japanese astronaut for a Dec. 2 flight suffered an an appendicitis attack, increasing the pressure on journalist-cosmonaut Toyehiro Akiayama in the joint mission with two Soviet veterans.

Soviet television announced Tuesday that Rioko Kikuchi, 26, a woman journalist from the Tokyo Broadcasting System, underwent surgery Monday and officials at the Japanse news bureau said she was feeling fine.

TBS is paying $10 million for the first flight into space of a journalist anywhwere, and both Japanese cosmonauts were already at the Baikonur Cosmodrome when Kikuchi became ill.

Soviet television said it was the first time in the long history of the space program, that a backup cosmonaut had to be scratched because of illness.

Akiyama, 48, who kicked a four pack-a-day cigarette habit to make the flight, is slated to be launched into space on an eight-day mission along with Viktor Afanasiyev and Musa Manarov, who in his last outing spent a full year aboard the Mir station.

Kikuchi's illness now increases the pressure on Akiyama, former Washington bureau chief of TBS.

''Of course he is nervous, but he is okay,'' said Toshio Koike, Moscow bureau chief of TBS, and himself was an early candidate for the prestige flight.

The Dec. 2 mission will take Akiyama and the two Soviet cosmonauts to the Mir,

where they will join the the station's current occupants, Gennady Strekalov and Gennady Manakov.

During his stay aboard the Mir, Akiyama will make a 10-minute television broadcast and a 20-minute radio transmission from space every day.

''Specialists believe that these two programs will be very intensive work and the flight engineer will assist the Japanese broadcaster in the effort,'' the official Tass news agency said.

When his stay aboard the Mir is ended, Akiyama will return to earth with Strekalov and Manakov while the new Soviet crew remains for about six months until the next rotation.

The Japanese flight is part of new fly-as-you-pay policy by the Glavkosmos space agency, replacing the former joint propaganda flights for cosmonauts from Eastern European and ''friendly'' nations that the Soviets financed.

Waiting in line for flights now are cosmonauts from Austria, Germany and France. A flight for a British cosmonauts is still questionable because the original British sponsor dropped out.

Japan is sending 150 news executives and journalists to cover the flight, and there will be at least 100 Soviet journalists.

''It will almost be like a summit conference,'' said Koike, the TBS chief in Moscow.

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#90331u1691 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - What do event planning services, specialty personnel agencies and mail order companies have in common?

They're among the 21 businesses voted most likely to succeed in 1991, according to the December issue of Entrepreneur magazine.

''Even in the face of a recession, people need service and convenience more than ever,'' said Rieva Lesonsky, editor-in-chief of the magazine.

For example, corporations last year spent $43.7 billion on event planning - the No. 1 business for 1991 said Entrepreneur - jazzing up gatherings such as fund-raisers, promotional events and weddings.

Over 1 million temporary workers - in next year's No. 5 business - will be needed to fill in for sick employees or help out during a company's time-crunch. In demand at placement agencies are bookkeepers, financial analysts and anyone else in the accounting field.

Today, thousands of Americans shop without ever leaving home as mail order sales have skyrocketed over the past decade. Mail order, ranked seventh on the Entrepreneur list - also has a special attraction to entrepreneurs because the cost of start-up is a lot less than retail business.

Rounding out the hottest businesses for 1991 were cruise-only travel agencies, ranked second, followed by gift baskets and chicken wings. Senior day care was No. 6, exercise wear was No. 7 followed by exporting and food delivery.

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#90331u1692 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	354.20	348.87	354.05	up 5.19
Industrial	383.40	377.90	383.34	up 6.55
Finance	347.67	344.58	347.06	up 2.07
Insurance	425.59	418.05	424.65	up 6.90
Utility	455.16	445.12	454.44	up 8.20
Bank	249.45	248.95	248.95	off 0.06
Transport	385.20	384.74	384.74	up 3.34

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	155.88	up 2.37
Industrial Index	152.57	up 2.73
NASDAQ-100 Index	378.35	up 8.11
(largest non-fin'cl)		
Average price per share	8.06	up 0.12
Volume	95,764,704 shares	
Advances	951	
Declines	565	
Unchanged	1,260	
Total	2,776	

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#90331u1700 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - Stocks posted a modest gain in light trading Tuesday despite a slight rise in oil prices, as fears of imminent fighting in the Mideast faded.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 5.94 points Monday, added another

10.64 to close at 2543.81.

Among broad market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.91 to 173.87 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index gained 1.59 to 318.10. The price of an average share rose 15 cents. Advances led declines 948-571 among the 2,001 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume was 147,590,000 shares, up from 131,540,000 traded Monday.

Watching the direction in oil prices, the market drifted up and down Tuesday - opening higher, quickly turning lower, moving higher again when oil dipped at midday and closing higher.

The Washington Post reported Tuesday that the five permament members of the U.N. Security Council have reached broad agreement on a draft resolution authorizing the use of force to get Iraq out of Kuwait, with the only sticking point being whether the pullout deadline should be Jan. 1 or Jan. 15. A vote on the resolution by the United Nations body is scheduled for Thursday.

While some analysts viewed this news as having already been largely absorbed by the market, John Burnett, senior vice president and head trader at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp., said it "took the specter of bloodshed away.

"People figure there's not going to be anything in the way of hostilities until at least mid-January, so there's over a month for talks to take place." He said the news took some of the "fear and loathing out of the market. We had some institutional buying and (computerized) programs" kicked in.

Ricky Harrington, director of investment policy and asset management at Marion Bass Securities in Charlotte, N.C., agreed many investors seemed happy enough that the crisis in the Mideast has not undergone any dramatic changes.

"There's quite a bit of cash on the sidelines and no change in the Iraqi situation," so investors put some cash to work, he said. "We have the status quo, so I think we're just going to keep floating in the (Dow industrials) 2450-2600 range with a slight upside bias."

On the trading floor, Tremont was the most active issue, up 3/8 to 1 1/2. MCA followed, up 5/8 to 65 3/4, after having dipped on Monday's announcement that Matsushita agreed to acquire the entertainment company. The $66-a-share price was below what MCA had hoped to attract. Philip Morris was third, down 1/4 to 48 7/8.

Waste Management was next, off 1/4 to 31 7/8. One of the company's units has been awarded a contract by the Hong Kong government to build and operate a chemical waste facility there.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T was unchanged at 32 1/4, IBM lost 3/8 to 113

1/2, Woolworth rose 3/8 to 28 1/4, Coca-Cola jumped 1 1/8 to 46 1/8 and McDonald's gained 5/8 to 28 3/4.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 181,236,470 shares, compared with 159,061,200 shares traded Monday.

Prices rose in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index rose 1.08 to 297.00. Advances led declines 309-251 among the 825 issues traded. The price of an average share rose three cents. Composite volume was 15,553,000 shares vs. 11,212,670 traded Monday. Energy Service led the Amex issues, up 3/8 to 2 1/2.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index added 5.19 to 354.05.

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#90331u1710 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV 27) UPI - Strong thunderstorms along and in front of a sharp cold front marched through the Mississippi Valley and forecasters posted tornado watches and warnings from Texas to Michigan, the National Weather Service reported Tuesday.

Severe thunderstorms over central Missouri spawned two tornadoes, at Columbia and near Warsaw, that destroyed homes, damaged an apartment complex and downed trees and powerlines. Winds gusted to 61 mph at the airport in Columbia.

Thunderstorms over northeastern Oklahoma produced golf ball size hail east of Collinsville and high winds toppled a house under construction. The towns of Lamar and Stroud reported 60 mph winds, as did Pittsburg, Kan.

Thunderstorms over Missouri knocked down trees and a shed in Greene County and blew a car off the road. St. Louis reported winds of 58 mph.

Thunderstorms in west central Illinois produced 60 mph winds at Sterling and downed trees around Barry and Rushville. Strong thunderstorms were scattered from central Illinois through central Missouri and northwestern Arkansas into northeast Texas in the afternoon.

The weather service posted thunderstorm and hail warnings with possible tornadoes from northeastern Texas through Illinois and Indiana to lower and eastern upper Michigan. The greatest threat of severe weather was from northern Arkansas through most of Illinois to southwestern lower Michigan.

A tornado watch was in effect until mid-evening for northern Arkansas, south central and eastern Missouri and southern Illinois. Another tornado watch was psted for much of northern and central Illinois and northwest Indiana.

Showers and thunderstorms produced locally heavy rain from Arkansas to Michigan.

The weather service said Cedar Rapids, Iowa, registered 1.11 inches of rain in six hours, morel than 2 inches at Peoria, Ill., 1.5 inches at Fayetteville, Ark., and about an inch at South Bend, Ind.

Snow prevailed behind the cold front from eastern Colorado to northern Minnesota. Heavy snow blanketed the Colorado mountains, with up to 8 inches at Copper Mountain and 7 inches at Snowmass.

Snow advisories continue for most of Nebraska as up to 8 inches had fallen at Lexington, 5 inches at Broken Bow and Mason City.

Snow advisories were in effect for much of Iowa and southeast South Dakota.

Showers prevailed over eastern New York state and Vermont, northern Idaho, western Montana and Florida, but it was sunny from California to west Texas. Strong southerly winds prevailed ahead of the cold front in the central states from eastern Texas to the Gulf states to lower Michigan and the lower Great Lakes region.

Lake wind advisories were posted for parts of Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, Missouri and Alabama and gale warnings flew over all five Great Lakes.

Temperatures were in the 60s as far north as central Michigan and the lower Great Lakes region; the 70s from central and eastern Texas and the Southeast into the middle Mississippi and lower Ohio valleys and in the 80s in south Florida and the lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas.

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#90331u1720 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - In a move that allows entry-level investors to speculate on blue-chip stocks, the American Stock Exchange began trading options Tuesday on an index valued at 1/20th of the Exchange's Major Market Index.

The LT-20 index, like the Amex's XMI Major Market Index, is based on the stock prices of 20 blue-chip companies, including AT&T, Chevron, Exxon and Coca-Cola. But because it is based on just .05 percent of the XMI index's value, it provides a more affordable way to speculate on the blue-chip market, the Amex said.

Put or call options allow the owner to buy or sell securities at a given price at a future date. The options allow investors to wager whether the value of a stock or stock index will rise or fall in that time period.

''The LT-20 options are significantly more affordable, allowing new investors to enter the index options market,'' said American Stock Exchange Chairman James R. Jones. ''For investors who are already familiar with index options, LT-20s help them manage their portfolios more easily.''

LT-20 options opened under the ticker symbol ''XLT'', with exercise prices of $25 per share and $30 per share, bracketing the current index value. Initial series of LT-20s expire in December 1992.

In addition to the new options, the American Stock Exchange said Tuesday it would ''aggressively pursue'' trading of unregistered foreign securities.

Such securites currently are traded on the over-the-counter market as American Depositary Receipts, or ADRs, but are not listed on any major U.S. exchange because the companies do not adhere to U.S. accounting and disclosure requirements.

A proposal to trade unregistered ADRs of large foreign issuers will be submitted to the exchange's board of governors Dec. 13, the Amex said. The board will review a number of options, including trading the foreign securities using existing floor facilities, using an electronic network under development by the Amex and Reuters Holdings P.L.C, or using a new trading facility planned in Hawaii.

Any action of the exchange's board of governors would require approval of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Jones said the exchange would monitor trading in the securities to ''the fullest extent possible'' to protect investors.

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#90331u1721 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

(fixing NASDAQ NMS indexes)

NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	354.05	up	5.19	348.29	456.66
Industrial	383.34	up	6.55	376.07	444.99
Finance	347.06	up	2.07	344.67	523.45
Insurance	424.65	up	6.90	416.75	556.61
Utility	454.44	up	8.20	443.21	736.32
Bank	248.95	off	0.06	250.24	421.99
Transport	384.74	up	3.34	385.45	474.16

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 155.80 up 2.37
Industrial Index 152.57 up 2.73
NASDAQ-100 Index 378.35 up 8.11

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#90331u1730 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

CHESTNUT HILL, MA (NOV. 27) UPI - Jack Bicknell, who led Boston College through the Doug Flutie glory years, Tuesday was fired after 10 years as head coach.

The Eagles were 4-7 this fall, their fourth straight losing season. Not since 1909-12 had Boston College's football team had four successive losing seasons.

Athletic director Bill Flynn said, ''It was a difficult decision on the part of Boston College. Jack Bicknell has been a great representative of Boston College and led our football teams to some of their most glorious moments ever.''

Alumni unhappy about the football team's lack of success had been calling for Bicknell to resign or be fired, despite the three years left on his contract. After Saturday's 29-10 loss to Temple, Bicknell, 52, said, ''I can't quit. Nothing has happened to make it not fun anymore, (although) it's not fun losing or going 4-7.''

He said he had received letters from people advising him to ''Hit the Road, Jack,'' ''but half of them don't mean it and the other half, I don't worry about what they think.''

On Tuesday morning, the coach was summoned to the office of college president Rev. J. Donald Monan. Bicknell said, ''(I) was determined to talk him out of firing me. But after listening to him, I knew it would be useless.

''If I was a president of a college and had all these things in front of me and had to come to a conclusion, a business decision, I might have made the same decision,'' said Bicknell.

''I hope to get another job as a Division One head coach. I don't want a 1-AA job and I am not interested in an assistant's job. I still think I am a pretty good football coach.''

In his first year, the 1981 Eagles had a 5-6 mark, but Flutie led the team to wins in its final four games. The popular quarterback helped restore national recognition to the Boston College football program and paced the Eagles offense to three straight bowl appearances.

After a losing season in 1985, the Eagles were 9-3 in 1986 with another bowl bid but had not managed a winning season since.

Bicknell, the college's 29th head football coach, was hired from the University of Maine, where he had an 18-35-1 record over five seasons. From 1968 through 1975, Bicknell was offensive backfield coach at Boston College.

Bicknell had thought Boston College was good enough to win eight of its 11 games this season. ''When we didn't, the first guy to look at is me.''

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#90331u1731 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 27) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.57	7.65	8.73
91-day Treasury bills	7.26	7.26	7.72
182-day Treasury bills	7.33	7.33	7.50
1-year Treasury bills	7.26	7.26	7.25
3-year Treasury notes	7.65	7.64	7.77
7-year Treasury notes	8.17	8.16	7.84
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.44	8.43	7.91
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.84	8.84	8.63
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.60	9.65	9.19
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.83	8.83	8.89
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.13	9.11	8.86
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.33	9.29	9.12
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.31	9.27	9.09

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Tuesday was 441.34, up 0.99 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90331u1744 11/27/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 27) UPI - A delegation of seven Kuwaiti refugees told the U-N Security Council today that Iraqi soldiers are acting like pirates and are destroying their tiny country. One spokesman said the invaders acted in a ''sick and sadistic'' manner when they ordered patients to leave hospitals and removed newborns from life-sustaining incubators.

Soon-to-be British Prime Minister John Major says his election as leader of the Conservative Party is ''a very exciting thing'' and that his role now is to unite Britain ''totally and absolutely.'' Major will become prime minister tommorrow, once Margaret Thatcher officially submits her resignation.

Federal authorities say two postal employees and a nationwide pen and pencil manufacturer have agreed to enter guilty pleas for their part in a more than seven-Million-dollar mail fraud scheme. The company mailed its goods in bulk for about half of the required postage.

With chilly weather upon much of the nation, the National Fire Protection association is warning that rising energy costs will mean more house fires this winter as hard-pressed consumers turn to portable heaters to save money.

Boston Herald reporter Lisa Olson today thanked N-F-L Commissioner Paul Tagliabue for what she calls a through and revealing investigation of sexual harassment allegations she lodged against the New England Patriots. The N-F-L today fined three players and the team management.

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#90331u1776 11/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 27) UPI - The nation's home-heating oil supplies held steady last week as fuel imports surged and crude oil inventories declined, the American Petroleum Institute reported Tuesday.

In the week ending Nov. 23, gasoline stocks rose, in keeping with normal seasonal trends, but refinery capacity slipped slightly, the oil industry trade group said.

Stocks of distillate, used primarily for home-heating oil and diesel fuel, remained virtually unchanged at 134.8 million barrels compared to 134.5 million barrels a week earlier. But this was substantially above the 119.6 million barrels in storage the same week last year.

Daily distillate production averaged 2.8 million barrels in the latest week, the same rate as in the year-earlier week but below the 3.1 million turned out in the corresponding 1989 week.

Distillate imports shot up to 196,000 barrels a day from 98,000 a day in the preceding week. This was also higher than the 182,000 barrels a day imported in the year-ago week.

The nation's crude oil stocks declined to 337.1 million barrels from 341.2 million the week before and from the 344 million barrels on hand last year.

Daily crude oil imports averaged 5.2 million barrels, unchanged from the rate of the previous week but below the year-ago pace of 5.6 million barrels a day.

Imports of refined petroleum products rose to 1.7 million barrels a day last week from 1.3 million a day in the prior week and 1.4 million a day in the year-earlier week.

U.S. refineries operated at 83 percent of capacity last week, down from 83.2 percent in the previous week and 86.1 percent in the same week last year.

Gasoline inventories crept up to 218.3 million barrels last week from 217.3 million in the prior week but remained slightly below the 222.1 million in storage in the year-earlier week.

Daily gasoline production tapered off to 6.6 million barrels from 6.7 million the week before and from 7 million a year earlier.

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#90331u1793 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - Researchers said Tuesday they have begun tests on Army personnel and family members infected with the deadly AIDS virus to see if an experimental AIDS vaccine can boost the immune system and delay symptoms.

Genentech Inc. of South San Francisco, Calif., said tests of its candidate AIDS vaccine began last week at Walter Reed Army Institute of Research in Washington, D.C. About 55 volunteer patients will take part in the 10-month study, which will continue and be expanded if the results are promising, the company said.

Such tests in otherwise healthy people infected with the AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, are the first step to determining if the vaccine can boost their immune response and delay the onset of illness, Genentech said.

The firm is also evaluating the possibility of a separate study to see if the vaccine can protect uninfected people against HIV infection.

''Results of our work in chimps appear to warrant doing both'' HIV- infected

and non-infected people, said Genentech spokesman Jack Murphy.

A study published in June in the journal Nature showed the vaccine protected two chimpanzees from HIV infection, and marked the first report of animals being protected by a vaccine made of only a small piece or ''subunit'' of the AIDS virus. The two chimps have resisted HIV infecton for at least 14 months, Murphy said.

The Genentech vaccine is a genetically engineered version of a natural HIV protein, called gp120. Because the vaccine is synthetic, it cannot cause AIDS.

The idea of using AIDS vaccines to enhance HIV-infected people's weakened immune systems is not new. A whole, killed virus vaccine developed by polio vaccine pioneer Dr. Jonas Salk has produced some encouraging early results in HIV-infected people in California, as has a subunit vaccine made by Microgenesys Inc. of West Haven, Conn., that was also tested on HIV-infected Army personnel.

The Genentech vaccine is the seventh potential AIDS vaccine authorized by the Food and Drug Administration for human testing. Last week, government researchers and Immuno-U.S. Inc. of Rochester, Minn., announced the start of tests of their jointly developed AIDS vaccine in about 60 healthy people.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - Food prices will rise between 2 percent and 5 percent in 1991, a return to more moderate levels of price inflation after two years of increases in the range of 6 percent, according to a government forecast.

The Agriculture Department estimate suggested that food prices might return to the stable levels of the mid-1980s when annual increases rose roughly 2 percent or 3 percent.

Food prices zoomed 5.8 percent in 1989 and are expected to jump about 6 percent this year due in part to higher prices for fruit and vegetables stemming from last winter's freeze in the South. Milk and meat prices also ran at high levels for months.

''For 1991, a food price rise of 2 percent to 5 percent is in prospect,'' said James Donald, chairman of the department's World Agricultural Outlook Board.

''Projected record meat supplies, higher dairy product output and the likelihood of bigger citrus crops this season will moderate food price rises '' he said.

Donald added that projections for lower inflation would hold down any

increases in marketing costs.

Higher oil prices that followed Iraq's invasion of Kuwait could play a role in determining the size of food price increases.

Higher energy costs would affect virtually every phase of the food system, from the expense associated with growing crops to the cost of shipping, packaging, processing and selling.

Major price hikes this year were in fresh fruits, expected to rise 14 percent to 17 percent; pork, up 10 percent to 14 percent; processed fruits, up 10 to 13 percent and dairy products, up 8 percent to 10 percent.

Estimates showed that farmers will produce a record 64.25 billion pounds of beef, pork, veal, mutton and poultry meat in 1991. That is a 3 percent increase over this year and represents 226.6 pounds of meat for every American.

Milk output is projected to rise between 1 percent and 2 percent from this year's 148 billion pounds although prices are expected to soften.

The citrus crop, slashed by a devastating Christmas weekend freeze last year, is projected at 13.5 million tons this season, up 26 percent. The new harvest is under way.

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the News ''at this time,'' adding that it was making an ongoing evaluation of all media.

News spokesman John Sloan refused to verify Alexander's withdrawal, commenting ''Due to the pattern of intimidation and threats against our advertisers, we are not going to confirm or deny any specific advertisers either leaving or staying in the News.

Alexander's completed the withdrawl of the News' ''big three'' advertisers. Macy's and A&S stores, both of which spent at least $6 million on News ads annually, stopped advertising last week.

Most small advertisers also have withdrawn, leaving the News with only 40 of its 615 pre-strike advertisers, according to striking ad employees at the News York Newspaper Guild strike headquarters.

''The paper had gross revenues of $420 million last year and 75 percent of that came from ads,'' a Guild spokesman said. ''If the News doesn't negotiate an end to this strike soon, it will be force to close down.''

About 2,500 members of the Guild and eight unions represented by the Allied Printing Trades Council walked off their jobs at the News Oct. 25 after 10 months of fruitless contract negotiations. Since then there have been sporadic talks between union negotiators and managment with federal mediators in attendance.

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#90331u1883 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 27) UPI - A changing of the political guard will take place in Britain tomorrow. Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher will formally submit her resignation to Queen Elizabeth. Minutes later, Thatcher's hand-picked successor, John Major, will take over the keys to Number 10 Downing Street. The current chancellor of the exchequer is the son of a former trapeze artist and is hailed by Thatcher as ''a true man of the people.''

It appears that sentiment is growing in the Senate to stall any imminent military action against Iraq to give economic sanctions an opportunity to work. Massachusetts Democrat Edward Kennedy says ''If ever there was a case for giving peace a chance, this is it.'' And while Democrat Sam Nunn of Georgia did NOT endorse a delay in sending more U-S troops to the Persian Gulf he says ''The question is whether military action is wise at this time.''

Defense Secretary Cheney and General Colin Powell won't testify until Monday... well after the expected U-N action Thursday on a resolution authorizing military force to get Iraq out of Kuwait.

The government is forecasting some positive economic news. The Agriculture

Department says food prices will rise a moderate two to five percent next year... less than the six percent inflation projected for this year. Last winter's freeze in the South drove up fruit and vegetable prices while milk meat prices ran at high levels for months. The government says projected record meat supplies, higher dairy product output and the likelihood of bigger citrus crops this season will help keep food price hikes at moderate levels.

But the trickle-down theory is NOT bringing good financial news to some residents of Austin, Texas. While Internal Revenue Service agents clean out a country club and recording studio owned by Willie Nelson... many of his employees and road crew have scattered in search of new jobs. The I-R-S seized the property in Texas and five other states when the entertainer was UNable to pay millions in back taxes. Casey Monahan, director of the Texas Music Office, says the closing of Nelson's studio is a blow to Austin's prestige as a music center. The I-R-S says it will sell Nelson's property within 30 days.

New York City's health commissioner is defending his department's procedure in a recent recall of 750-thousand condoms that turned out to be possibly defective. Commissioner Woodrow Myers Junior says his people three weeks ago contacted all 300 public organizations that received the condoms. The recall only became public knowledge yesterday. 15 lots of the Saxon spermicidal condoms may exceed the four per one-thousand pinhole leakage rate allowed by federal Food and Drug Administration.

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#90331u1899 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 27) UPI - A federal judge Tuesday ordered the Food and Drug Administration to release safety data on silicone breast implants to consumer activists who claim such implants imperil women's health.

Public Citizen Health Research Group, founded by Ralph Nader, filed suit against the FDA in February 1989 after the agency refused to release 30 years worth of research on the safety of implanted materials like silicone gel. The research had been submitted to the FDA by Dow Corning Corp., of Midland, Mich. the major maker of silicone gel used in breast implants.

Dow Corning performed and paid for a number of studies on the safety of silicone implants in the 1960s and early 1970s but never released the results.

Since the 1960s, more than 2 million American women have received breast implants - about 85 percent to enlarge their bustline and about 15 percent to reconstruct a breast after mastectomy. About another 130, 000 women women get implants annually.

Silicone gel has been shown to cause a deadly soft-tissue cancer in laboratory animals, Public Citizen said, and has been associated with the development of chronic arthritis and immune diseases like scleroderma in humans. Women may

also suffer complications shortly after surgery like inflammation and scarring of the breast and surrounding tissues and swollen lymph glands, the consumer group said.

The FDA argued that results of 750 ''biosafety'' studies and 39 toxicology studies it received from Dow Corning was ''confidential commercial information'' so the documents could not be provided to Public Citizen. The group's additional request for a summary of consumer complaints about Dow Corning's breast implants was opposed by the Michigan firm, which had furnished the FDA the list.

In his ruling, U.S. District Judge Stanley Sporkin said he found ''neither the animal studies nor the complaint summary were exempt from (public) disclosure'' under the Freedom of Information Act.

Under the judge's order, Public Citizen will receive more than 5,000 pages of research data and a list of consumer complaints dating from 1984 through 1988.

''We plan to share this information with the 2 million women'' who have received the implants, said Dr. Sidney Wolfe, head of Public Citizen. ''A large number, tens of thousands of women, suffer complications from being implanted.''

FDA officials said Tuesday they had not had a chance to review the suit, and Dow Corning officials could not be reached for comment.

Public Citizen has called on the FDA to pull silicone gel breast implants off the market, saying manufacturers never submitted data to prove the devices were safe. The FDA is expected to finalize regulations next month that will ask companies to produce data showing such implants are safe, Wolfe said.

''It is tragic that we must sue our government to obtain information about the safety of a device that has been implanted in more than 2 million women. This is information that the FDA should have required ... as part of pre-market approval process some 25 years ago,'' Public Citizen has said.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 27) UPI - A math teacher who was called a ''babbler'' and the ''worst teacher'' by his high school's student newspaper has no grounds for a libel claim, a state appeal court ruled Tuesday.

Larry Moyer, a teacher for 24 years, sued ''In Flight,'' the student newspaper at Foothill High, the principal, the Amador Valley Union High School District

in Alameda County, and several students for defamation and emotional distress over the 1988 article.

But the 1st District Court of Appeal ruled unanimously that calling Moyer the worst teacher was ''clearly ... an expression of subjective judgment by the speaker.''

Expression of opinion is protected under the First Amendment, Justice John Racanelli wrote in the court's ruling.

The suggestion that he was a ''babbler'' was a ''form of exaggerated expression conveying the student-speaker's disapproval of (Moyer's) teaching or speaking style,'' Racanelli wrote.

The 1988 story, headlined ''Students terrorize Moyer,'' reported a smoke bomb set off in Moyer's classroom.

The article quoted a student identified only as ''The Shadow,'' who supplied the smoke bomb because ''Mr. Moyer is a babbler, and babblers are annoying to me. ... He is the worst teacher at FHS.''

Moyer also complained about the headline's use of the word ''terrorize.''

Racanelli said that, although ''terrorize'' was an exaggeration of the event, ''it nonetheless falls within the protectible category of rhetorical hyperbole.''

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#90331u1956 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

VANCOUVER (NOV. 27) UPI - Production of aluminum wheels at a Toyota Motor Corp. plant in Delta, British Columbia, will by doubled to 960,000 a year, according to plans released Tuesday.

Minoru Azuma, president of Canadian Autoparts Toyota Inc., said in a statement the company will build an additional facility to house advanced computerized casting and machining equipment and a sophisticated, four-coat paint process to increase the corrosion resistance of the wheels.

Canadian Autoparts Toyota was set up by the Japanese automaker to supply aluminum wheels for plants in Japan and North America. Ninety percent of the wheels made in British Columbia are shipped to Japan and 10 percent to plants in North America.

''Because of the demand for aluminum wheels continues to be high, further doubling of production is warranted,'' Azuma said.

Wheel production at the Delta plant began early in 1985 with a capacity of

240,000 wheels. Production capacity was doubled to 480,000 in July 1989.

The provincial government has provided Canadian Autoparts Toyota with a five-year, $4.7 million loan to help assist expanding the plant.

It wasn't immediately known when the new facility would be ready for production.

Also Tuesday, Toyota Motor Manufacturing U.S.A. Inc. unveiled plans to build a second car assembly plant that will double capacity to about 400,000 cars annually at its Georgetown, Ky., complex.

The $800 million expansion is expected to begin operations by late 1993 and add about 1,500 new jobs, the Toyota subsidiary said. The new plant will produce more Camrys, which will undergo a major restyling for 1992.

When the expansion project is completed, Toyota's car production in the United States will exceed 600,000 units.

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#90331u1965 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

PANAMA CITY, PANAMA (NOV. 27) UPI - The U.S. Peace Corps returned to Panama Tuesday after a 19-year absence with U.S. Ambassador Deane Hinton swearing in six volunteers of the grassroots aid organization.

The Peace Corps returned at the request of the Panamanian government, which was installed during the U.S. invasion last December that ousted military ruler Manuel Antonio Noriega.

Opposition legislators accused the Peace Corps of working with U.S. intelligence agencies, but a bill authorizing the return of the organization to Panama was passed with wide support in the National Assembly earlier this month.

Panamanian military strongman Gen. Omar Torrijos expelled the Peace Corps in 1971, accusing volunteers of spying.

The number of volunteers in Panama will increase to 42 by the end of 1991. They will assist Panamanians in agricultural projects, environmental protection, small business development and other areas.

''You are returning at a time when our country is going through difficult times and striving for recovery,'' said Alonso Fernandez, president of the National Assembly, who addressed the six volunteers at the ceremony.

''We accept and are thankful for the help foreign organizations can offer us '' he added.

Panama is slowly recovering from three years of economic decline and $1 billion in invasion damage, although 40 percent of the country's 2.2 million people continue to live in poverty.

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#90331u1988 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 27) UPI - Harvard economist John Kenneth Galbraith urged the United States Tuesday to refrain from using force in the Persian Gulf, saying poor Americans and foreigners would suffer disproportionately from an armed conflict.

Galbraith, in an address to U.N. delegates, said American troops in Saudi Arabia tended to be from less affluent homes as was the case with armed forcesduring the Vietnam war.

''Let us have patience, otherwise we will have the poor killing the poor,'' Galbraith said. He called for continuing the economic sanctions against Iraq rather than resorting to military force.

The Security Council is expected to vote Thursday on a resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq to liberate Kuwait from Iraqi occupation.

Galbraith urged developed countries to increase aid to poorer states because less privileged populations may fall prey to ethnic violence and fundamentalism in areas like Sri Lanka, Africa, Indochina and the Middle East.

''For the last half century, conflict and death have been the unique affliction of the poor on the poor,'' Galbraith said.

''With industrial development have come international peace and internal stability. With poverty there has been discord and death,'' Galbraith said.

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#90331u2003 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

MONTREAL (NOV. 27) UPI - Bombardier Inc. reported Tuesday third-quarter earnings of $18.2 million, or 25 cents a share, up 14.5 percent from the $15.9 million, or 23 cents a share, earned a year earlier.

Revenues in the quarter jumped to $659.9 million from $409.2 million, reflecting the inclusion of results from two acquisitions made in 1989 and the company's purchase of Learjet Inc. in April.

For the first nine months, earnings increased to $56.8 million, or 81 cents a share, from $52.0 million, or 77 cents a share, in the same period in 1989. Revenues increased to $1.73 billion from $1.07 billion a year ago.

Laurent Beaudoin, chairman of Bombardier, said the company's earnings have been maintained despite the economic slowdown.

Bombardier has interests in mass transit, rail, aircraft and consumer products.

The company, which operates plants in Canada, the United States, Europe and Scandinavia, has among its subsidiaries Short Brothers in Northern Ireland, ANF-Industrie in France, Canadair Challenger Inc. in Connecticut and Pullman Technology Inc. in Chicago.

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#90331u2004 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (NOV. 27) UPI - Conglomerate Litton Industries Inc. reported Tuesday earnings of $39.6 million, or $1.76 a share, for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, an 11 percent decline from earnings of $43. 6 million, or $1.73 a share, in the year-ago quarter.

Sales for the first quarter were $1.23 billion, compared with $1.22 billion for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

The company said the earnings-per-share figure increased because of the repurchase of 1.4 million shares during the first quarter.

Operating earnings declined in the advanced electronics to $36.4 million from $41.6 million and in industrial automation systems and products to $9.1 million from $19.7 million.

Operating earnings increased is resource exploration services to $24 million from $18.6 million and in marine engineering and production to $35.1 million from 31.1 million.

Litton shares were unchanged Tuesday at $75 a share on the New York Stock Exchange.

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#90331u2087 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 27) UPI - Britain's new prime minister is a ''man of the people,'' who grew up in a working-class section of London and dropped out of school at age 16. Currently Chancellor of the Exchequer, a position similar to the treasurer in the United States, John Major tomorrow morning will take the political helm of Britain just minutes after Margaret Thatcher offically submits her resignation. Last month, Major cut interest rates and took the pound into a European exchange-rate mechanism, a feat his predecessors failed to achieve. Major will be the the 20th prime minister of Britain this century and the youngest one in 150 years.

Mikhail Gorbachev is giving Soviet troopers the formal right to open fire if they are attacked. The Soviet president says he will NOT stand by while rebel Soviet republics shut off fuel and water supplies to the army as Latvia ordered last week. Soviet soldiers this month also are having problems in the Baltic republic of Lithuania, where protesters gathered at their garrison and rampaged through an officers club. Gorbachev says the attacks are ''NOT democracy'' and he is determine to ''maintain order.''

A U-S attorney in Miami says two postal employees accepted payoffs in return for letting a pencil and pen company mail its goods for about half the required postage. The workers and the Atlas Pen and Pencil Corporation of Hollywood, Florida, have agreed to enter guilty pleas in the mail fraud scheme that cost the government seven and one-half- Million dollars. The two workers face a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison and 500-thousand-dollar fines. The company will repay the postage and its president faces a maximum penalty of five years in prison.

The lawyer who once represented Charles Stuart went to court in Boston today to fight a subpoena ordering him to testify before the grand jury investigating the murder of Stuart's pregnant wife. Suffolk County prosecutors hope to learn what John Dawley may know about the shooting that rocked the city one year ago. Stuart killed himself in January. But prosecutors think he may have detailed the crime to his lawyer in a conversation one day earlier.

Fire safety experts are warning consumers NOT to put their lives in danger just to save a few dollars on fuel bills this winter. The National Fire Protection Association says heating equipment is the leading cause of home fires in the United States. And that half of the deaths from these fires are caused by ''alternative'' sources such as wood stoves, portable electric and kerosene heaters. Since 1980, more than 800 people die each year in home fires begun by heating equipment, and experts fear it could be higher this year.

A Denver radio station's listeners are coming to the aid of an eight- year-old Texas boy who spends his school days in isolation because he refuses to cut his blond ponytail. Talk show host George Weber says he hopes the Bastrop, Texas, school board will realize that their punishment does NOT fit the crime. Weber has mounted a ''Free Zach'' compaign on behalf of Zachariah Toungate, urging listeners to voice their outrage by sending locks of hair to school officials.

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#90331u2247 11/27/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 27) UPI - Britain's new prime minister is the youngest person to hold the post in more than 150 years. 47-year-old Chancellor John Major, Margaret Thatcher's hand-picked successor, was elected today in a second-round ballot of Conservative members of Parliament. Major fell four votes short of the 187

he needed to win outright, but his two opponents conceded defeat and urged that he be made party leader and prime minister.

Thatcher, who had been prime minister for 11-and-one-half years, is to formally tender her resignation to Queen Elizabeth at Buckingham Palace tomorrow morning. Shortly afterwards, Major- the son of a trapeze artist- will become the 20th prime minister of Britain this century. Major never went to college and spent time on welfare before finally landing a job in banking and working his way to the top.

President Bush headed back to Washington late today after wrapping up a two-day summit in Mexico with Mexican President Salinas. During the two days of talks, the two leaders sought to move quickly to reach a landmark free trade agreement between their two nations. Formal negotiations on the treaty are to begin next year and the White House has said it hopes to can have a treaty in place by 1992.

A federal apeals court in Washington today handed Oliver North another legal victory. In a 21-page decision, the U-S Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia turned down a request by independent prosecutor Lawrence Walsh to reinstate North's three Iran-Contra convictions. The appellate panel, however, did concede that North's jury may have been given confusing instructions. The ruling is a blow for Walsh, who says he may appeal to the U-S Supreme Court.

The Agriculture Department predicts that food prices will dip next year... returning to more moderate levels of price inflation after two years of increases of around six percent. The department says food prices will rise between two percent and five percent in 1991. Food prices zoomed this year and last year due in part to higher prices for fruits and vegetables stemming from last winter's freeze in the South. Milk and meat prices also ran at high levels for months.

Scientists are questioning the degree to which drug tests can predict job performance. Researchers at the University of Iowa... in a study conducted for the Boston medical unit of the U-S Postal Service... found workers who tested positive for drugs did indeed have higher rates of injury, accident or other problems on the job than those who tested negative. But they say the extent of the impairment has been exaggerated. For example, it has been claimed that drug-abusing workers take 16 times as much sick leave. The study found the job absentee rate less than six percent higher than other workers.

Researchers say estrogen therapy may boost the risk of breast cancer. In a report, doctors at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston say the hormone taken by Millions of post-menopausal women appears to increase their chances of developing breast cancer by a ''moderate'' degree. However, they say the possible danger of cancer may be offset by the hormone's benefits... which include reducing the risk of heart disease.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

MINNESOTA (89)

Corbin 7-15 3-4 17, Mitchell 4-13 2-2 10, Breuer 2-4 0-0 4, Richardson 6-11 4-6 16, Campbell 3-9 7-7 13, Glass 5-11 0-0 10, Brooks 3-5 1-2 7, Coffey 0-0 0-0 0, Spencer 3-9 2-3 8, West 2-4 0-0 4, Totals 25-81 19-24 89.

SACRAMENTO (80)

Simmons 6-16 3-3 15, Tisdale 8-23 3-3 19, Wennington 1-2 3-6 5, Sparrow 6-10 0-0 12, Mays 7-13 2-4 18, Leckner 0-4 0-0 0, Calloway 0-0 2-2 2, Colter 0-1 0-0 0, Carr 3-7 3-4 9, Causwell 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 31-76 16-22 80.

Minnesota	15	19	34	21-89
Sacramento	21	25	18	16-80

Three-point goals-Mays 2. Fouled out-Carr. Total fouls-Minnesota 18, Sacramento 19. Rebounds-Minnesota 44 (Mitchell 10), Sacramento 40 (Tisdale 15). Assists-Minnesota 22 (Richardson 10), Sacramento 19 (Sparrow 5). Technicals-Sacramento (illegal defense). A-17,014.

SAN ANTONIO (124)

Cummings 8-13 4-5 20, Elliott 12-19 3-4 27, Robinson 8-12 9-10 25, Anderson 8-10 2-2 18, Strickland 7-10 3-4 17, Pressey 2-3 0-0 4, Green 1-2 0-0 2, Williams 1-2 0-0 2, Greenwood 3-4 1-2 7, Dinkins 0-0 2-2 2, Schintzius 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 50-75 24-29 124.

SEATTLE (111)

McDaniel 10-22, 0-0 20, McKey 7-18 0-0 14, Cage 0-2 0-0 0, Payton 2-8 0-0 4, Threatt 3-8 3-3 9, McMillan 4-8 0-0 9, Polynice 3-5 0-0 6, Kemp 7-12 4-9 18, Dailey 9-17 11-14 29, Corzine 0-0 0-0 0, Meents 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 46-101 18-26 111.

San Antonio	32	29	34	29--124
Seattle	30	29	38	14--111

Three-point goals-McMillan. Fouled out-Anderson. Team fouls-San Antonio 26, Seattle 24. Rebounds-San Antonio 38 (Robinson 12), Seattle 39 (Cage 8). Assists-San Antonio 30 (Anderson 8), Seattle 22 (Payton 8). A-13,293.

ORLANDO (113)

Catledge 14-24 2-6 30, Reynolds 6-19 1-1 13, Kite 1-2 0-0 2, Vincent 6-16 2-4 14, Smith 7-15 2-2 16, Anderson 5-16 1-2 12, Wright 0-6 1-2 1, Skiles 6-9 1-1 15, Ansley 3-4 4-6 10, Scott 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 48-113 14-24 113.

DENVER (124)

Woolridge 12-20 4-6 28, Lane 6-10 1-2 13, Rasmussen 5-10 1-2 11, Adams 6-23 4-5 19, Lichti 6-17 3-3 16, Davis 11-16 0-0 22, Jackson 3-9 2-2 8, Cook 0-0 0-0 0, Wolf 3-6 1-2 7, Johnson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 52-112 16-22 124.

Orlando	32	31	30	20--113
Denver	37	24	24	39--124

Three-point goals-Anderson, Skiles 2, Lichti, Adams 3. Fouled out-Rasmussen. Total fouls-Orlando 18, Denver 24. Rebounds-Orlando 65 (Kite 15). Denver 59 (Lane 17). Assists-Orlando 18 (Skiles, Vincent, Kite 3). Denver 25 (Adams 18). Technicals-Adams. A-6,184.

LA CLIPPERS (102)

Kimble 2-9 7-9 12, C. Smith 4-14 7-9 15, Benjamin 8-12 0-0 16, Garland 10-13 1-1 21, Grant 11-19 0-2 24, Manning 3-7 2-2 8, Garrick 2-2 0-0 4, Vaught 0-1 0-0 0, Martin 0-0 2-2 2, Bannister 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-77 19-25 102.

HOUSTON (107)

Johnson 6-15 1-1 13, Thorpe 3-8 6-8 12, Olajuwon 14-26 6-6 34, Maxwell 5-12 8-11 20, K. Smith 8-14 2-4 18, L. Smith 0-2 0-0 0, Floyd 0-2 0-0 0, Wood 0-0 0-0 0, Winchester 3-6 0-1 7, Feitl 1-3 1-2 3 Totals 40-88 24-33 107.

LA Clippers	24	24	30	24-102
Houston	29	24	31	23-107

Three-point goals-Grant 2, Maxwell 2, Kimble, Winchester. Fouled out-Garland. Total fouls-LA Clippers 26, Houston 18. Rebounds-LA Clippers 44 (Benjamin 13), Houston 41 (Olajuwon 20). Assists-LA Clippers 27 (Grant 8), Houston 25 (K. Smith 8). Technicals-Thorpe, Chaney, Olajuwon, Houston (illegal defense 2), LA Clippers (illegal defense) A-13,099.

PHILADELPHIA (92)

Barkley 8-14 6-9 22, Mahorn 4-9 4-4 12, Gminski 3-9 0-0 6, Green 5-14 6-6 16, Hawkins 9-19 0-1 19, Anderson 2-9 0-0 4, Bol 2-6 0-0 4, Turner 2-4 0-0 4, Payne 2-11 1-1 5, Oliver 0-2 0-0 0, Williams 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-97 17-21 92.

NEW JERSEY (98)

Morris 5-12 5-6 16, Coleman 10-20 8-11 28, Bowie 9-17 1-1 19, Blaylock 10-20

0-0 20, Theus 3-8 3-3 11, Conner 0-1 0-0 0, Dudley 0-3 0-0 0, Gervin 0-1 2-2 2
Haley 1-1 0-0 2, Buechler 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-83 19-23 98.

Philadelphia	27	19	30	16--92
New Jersey	39	21	20	18--98

Three point goals-Hawkins, Morris, Theus 2. Fouled out-None.
Rebounds-Philadelphia 46 (Barkley, Mahorn 9), New Jersey 52 (Coleman 23).
Assists- Philadelphia 17 (Barkley, Green 6), New Jersey 27 (Blaylock 7). Total fouls-Philadelphia 18, New Jersey 15. Technicals-Mahorn; New Jersey (illegal defense). A- 11,121.

GOLDEN STATE (113)

Hill 1-3 0-0 2, Mullin 9-18 4-6 22, Lister 1-3 2-2 4, Hardaway 10-18 5-6 26, Richmond 10-24 4-7 28, Tolbert 6-10 5-6 19, Marciulionis 1-4 2-6 4, Higgins 3-7 2-2 8, Pritchard 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 41-88 24-35 113.

WASHINGTON (115)

Grant 8-15 6-6 22, King 16-28 7-9 39, Jones 2-3 0-0 4, Walker 4-9 4-5 12, Workman 5-10 5-6 15, Ellison 1-4 0-0 2, Hammonds 4-7 0-2 8, Eackles 5-10 3-8 13. Totals 45-86 25-36 115.

Golden State	27	23	31	32--113
Washington	28	32	27	28--115

Three-point goals-Richmond 4, Tolbert 2, Hardaway. Fouled out-Hardaway. Total fouls-Golden State 32, Washington 31. Rebounds-Golden State 32 (Higgins 10), Washington 45 (Grant 9). Assists-GoldenState 18 (Hardaway, Richmond, Higgins 4), Washington 28 (Walker 12). Technicals- Grant, Hardaway. A-6,966.

CLEVELAND (107)

Brown 5-7 0-0 10, Nance 5-9 1-2 11, Daugherty 10-15 7-9 27, Paddio 1-2 0-0 2, Price 8-17 2-2 18, Ehlo 9-11 2-2 21, Ferry 2-7 0-0 4, Morton 2-6 1-2 5, Kerr 3-5 1-1 9. Totals 45-79 14-18 107.

NEW YORK (102)

Oakley 4-7 2-2 10, Vandeweghe 11-17 6-7 29, Ewing 11-16 5-9 27, Jackson 7-11 0-0 14, G. Wilkins 3-10 4-4 10, E.Wilkins 2-4 0-1 4, Tucker 1-6 0-0 2, Cheeks 1-3 4-4 6, Quinnett 0-1 0-0 0, Mustaf 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-75 21-27 102.

Cleveland	29	20	32	26--107
New York	27	25	30	20--102

Three-point goals-Ehlo, Kerr 2, Vandeweghe. Total fouls-Cleveland 22, New York

19. Fouled out-Daugherty. Rebounds-Cleveland 35 (Ehlo 8), New York 31 (Oakley 8). Assists-Cleveland 28 (Price 10), New York 31 (Jackson 12). Technical fouls-Cleveland illegal defense, New York illegal defense 2, Daugherty. A-13,645.

DETROIT (120)

Edwards 6-12 2-2 14, Rodman 3-3 0-0 6, Laimbeer 11-18 0-0 25, Dumars 7-14 1-2 15, Thomas 7-12 1-2 15, Salley 1-2 0-0 2, Aguirre 10-13 3-3 24, Johnson 4-11 0-0 8, Rollins 0-0 0-0 0, Blanks 1-1 1-2 3, Bedford 1-3 1-2 3, Hastings 2-2 0-0 5.

ATLANTA (97)

Wilkins 5-16 2-2 12, Willis 5-11 6-8 16, Malone 1-3 0-0 2, Rivers 3-11 0-0 7, Webb 8-11 0-0 16, Koncak 2-5 0-0 4, Battle 5-9 1-1 11, Ferrell 3-4 2-2 8, McCormick 1-1 2-2 4, Robinson 3-6 4-5 10, Moncrief 1-2 0-0 3, Wilson 2-3 0-2 4.

Detroit	19	33	33	35--120
Atlanta	22	21	22	32-- 97

Three-point goals-Laimbeer 3, Aguirre, Hastings, Rivers, Moncrief. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Detroit 18, Atlanta 17. Rebounds-Detroit 46 (Rodman 14), Atlanta 32 (Willis 8). Assists-Detroit 35 (Thomas 15), Atlanta 20 (Webb 4). Technicals-Wilkins, Laimbeer. A-13,718.

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(NOV. 27) UPI - British Prime Minister Thatcher ends her 11-and-a-half years at the helm of Britain's government tomorrow when she formally hands in her resignation to Queen Elizabeth. Minutes later, John Major- the man she groomed to succeed her- will become Britain's 20th prime minister.

Sentiment apparently is growing in the Senate to stall military action against Iraq and wait and see if economic sanctions work. Massachusetts Senator Edward Kennedy said today- quoting- ''If ever there was a case for giving peace a chance, this is it.''

Former President Ronald Reagan says he supports the massive deployment of U-S troops in the Persian Gulf. In a radio interview today in San Siego, Reagan said Iraq's invasion of Kuwait shouldn't have been a surprise. He says Iraq's use of nerve gas to quell internal strife ''should have alerted us'' to Baghdad's penchant for aggression.

President Bush is back at the White House after a two-day trip to Mexico in which he sought to move quickly toward a landmark free trade accord. Bush says a Bilateral Free Trade Agreement will allow the United States and Mexico ''to

expand markets.''

The U-S Peace Corps has returned to Panama after a 19-year absence. U-S Ambassador Deane Hinton swore in six volunteers of the grassroots aid organization today in Panama City. The military government expelled the Peace Corps in 1971, accusing volunteers of spying.

Rockwell International Corporation says it has agreed to pay 280- thousand dollars to settle alleged violations of hazardous waste control laws at two of its plants in the Los Angeles area. Rockwell did NOT admit liability, but says it settled to avoid costly and time-consuming litigation.

A San Francisco high school math teacher has lost his libel claim against his school's student newspaper. A California appeals court ruled today that Larry Moyer has NO grounds for his claim. Moyer sued for defamation and emotional distress after the paper labeled him the ''worst teacher.''

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(NOV. 27) UPI - Conservatives in Britain's Parliament have elected Chancellor John Major to succeed his mentor Margaret Thatcher as prime minister. The 47-year-old Major, who made his humble start as the son of a trapeze artist, will become Britain's youngest prime minister this century tomorrow. That's when Thatcher ends her 11-and-a-half-year premiership by formally handing in her resignation to Queen Elizabeth at Buckingham Palace.

The White House reportedly had lined up the necessary votes in the U- N Security Council to pass a resolution authorizing force against Iraq. The Security Council is scheduled to vote Thursday on a resolution setting a January 1st deadline for Iraq to withdraw its troops from Kuwait. The Washington Post reports the five permanent members of the Council appeared to have agreed on the use of force with the only sticking point being whether the resolution set a pullout deadline of January 1st or January 15th. At least one permanent Council member has said it would favor a January 15th deadline.

In Baghdad, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz today accused the U-N Security Council of adopting a policy of double standards. But Baghdad Radio quotes Aziz as saying the government of Saddam Hussein would never succumb to pressure. According to the report, Azia said- ''Iraq's position on Kuwait will remain unchanged.''

In New York, striking Daily News reporters have returned to their beats, but they're covering the city for the ''Real News,'' the striking unions' newspaper. The unions put out a second issue today. It contained what the unions said are a series of exclusive reports, including one story of Mayor David Dinkins administration's plans to shut seven firehouses to help close the budget gap.

The U-S Supreme Court says federal law pre-empts most state regulations governing self-funded group insurance plans used by Millions of American workers. The high court in effect ruled today that uninsured employee benefit plans are NOT technically considered ''insurance companies'' for the purposes of state laws that regulate insurance... and thus are governed by the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. The ruling comes in the case of a Delaware-based company that operates a self-funded employee benefit plan.

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WOODSTOCK, VT (NOV. 27) UPI - New England Ski Areas Council official summary of snow conditions at New England ski areas as of 7 a.m. Nov. 27, 1990.

Skiing conditions are subject to change due to weather, skier traffic, and other factors. Be aware of changing conditions.

Legend: new-inches of new snow snowfall ending in last 24 hours, pdr-powder snow, pp-packed powder, wet gr-wet granular, lsgr-loose granular, frgr-frozen granular, corn-corn snow, mgs-machine groomed surface (where two such terms appear, the former shows conditions on 70 percent or more terrain, and the latter the next-most-prevalent condition) vc-variable conditions, sc-spring conditions xx of 00 trails-number of trails open, sm-snow made in last 24 hours, tc-thin cover, wbln-windblown snow, var-variable, ns-night skiing available, no-not operating, opr-operating.

CONNECTICUT

Woodbury lsgr / 5- 10 base 1 trails 1 lifts

MASSACHUSETTS

Wachusett Mtn lsgr / 2- 25 base 1 trails 1 lifts ns

MAINE

Sugarloaf/usa pp /lsgr 6- 43 base 5 trails 3 lifts sm

Sunday River pp /lsgr 10- 36 base 12 trails 4 lifts sm

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Attitash lsgr / 8- 24 base 1 trails 1 lifts

Loon Mountain lsgr / 6- 12 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Waterville Vly lsgr / 7- 14 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm

Wildcat Mtn lsgr / 10- 18 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm

NEW YORK

Belleayre lsgr / 6- 15 base 1 trails 1 lifts

Gore Mountain pp / 0- 32 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

Ski Windham pp /lsgr 6- 21 base 6 trails 3 lifts sm

Whiteface frgr /pp 0- 30 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

VERMONT

Bolton Valley pp /lsgr 12- 18 base 3 trails 2 lifts

Bromley Mtn lsgr / 6- 30 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm

Jay Peak lsgr /frgr 6- 24 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Killington vc / 18- 34 base 12 trails 6 lifts sm

Magic Mountain pp / 8- 12 base 2 trails 1 lifts sm

Mt. Snow pp /lsgr 12- 24 base 11 trails 4 lifts sm

Okemo Mountain pp /lsgr 12- 24 base 14 trails 4 lifts sm

Pico lsgr / 5- 15 base 4 trails 3 lifts sm

Smugglers Notch lsgr / 0- 24 base 4 trails 1 lifts sm

Stowe lsgr /pp 6- 30 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Stratton Mtn pp /lsgr 16- 24 base 4 trails 4 lifts sm

Sugarbush pp /frgr 6- 25 base 9 trails 4 lifts sm

New England winter sports outlook: Occasional rain or showers northern and central today. Highs from near 30 northern Maine to near 60 south. Tonight partly to mostly cloudy, chance of some rain New Hampshire and Maine. Lows 45 to 50 south, 30s and 40s north. Wednesday record warmth, highs near 70 south and 50s and 60s north.

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DENVER (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Pfeiffer Public Relations Inc. Wednesday announced that it has been retained to assist in developing and implementing a corporate communications program for Good Times Restaurants Inc. (NASDAQ:GTIM) of Boulder, Colo.

Good Times Restaurants operates Good Times! Drive Thru Burgers stores, a chain of double-drive-through, ultra-fast-service restaurants that offer a limited, high quality menu for drive-through and walk-up customers only. The concept is designed to exploit a trend in the restaurant industry of take-out and drive-through sales growing at a faster rate than on-premises consumption.

Recently, Good Times Restaurants announced it has retained nationally prominent Francorp Inc. to design and execute a comprehensive franchise development program for the company.

Pfeiffer Public Relations Inc. is a Denver-based firm that provides investor relations and public relations services to companies in a broad range of industries. Founded in 1982, Pfeiffer Public Relations handles clients in Colorado, California, Arizona and Florida.

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CARMEL, IN (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Stephen C. Hilbert, chairman and CEO of Conseco Inc. (NYSE:CNC), speaking before an investor meeting in New York late yesterday (Tuesday, Nov. 27), said:

(1) Conseco agrees with analyst projections of $5.50 to $6.00 in operating earnings per share in 1991. As previously announced, Conseco expects 1990 operating earnings per share to equal or exceed $4.50, up from the $3.21 earned in 1989.

(2) Conseco expects approximately $2 billion in premium income in 1991, including premiums from companies owned by Conseco Capital Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership to which Conseco and several institutional investors have committed $70 million in equity capital for the purpose of acquiring and operating life insurance companies. As previously announced, Conseco expects premiums of approximately $1.1 billion 1990.

(3) Conseco has placed with institutional investors $10 million of the previously-announced $25 million private placement of Series C Redeemable Preferred Stock. Conseco expects to place the remaining $15 million during the first quarter of 1991. As previously announced, the company intends to use the proceeds from the sale of the Series C Preferred Stock for general corporate purposes, including the repurchase of shares of its common stock

pursuant to its stock repurchase program. The Series C Preferred Stock would not be convertible into common shares.

Conseco Inc. is a financial services holding company headquartered in Carmel.

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SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - MicroMath Scientific Software has announced a grant program for accredited schools, colleges and universities in the United States.

When a school purchases four or more programs for its computer center, a ''buy one, get one free'' site licensing policy takes effect. Through these matching grants, MicroMath hopes to make its software available to a wide range of students.

This new policy applies to all software developed by MicroMath: GRAPH, for scientific plotting and data transformation; MINSQ, for curve fitting and model development; EQUIL, for solution chemistry equilibrium calculations; LAPLACE, for numerical inversion of Laplace transforms; and RSTRIP, for polyexponential curve stripping.

''Our experience with software development can be dated to our student days in graduate school at the University of Michigan,'' says company President Myles Lamson. ''Because we've spent so much time using software in academic settings, we have a strong firsthand knowledge of the needs of student users.''

Approximately 45 percent of MicroMath's program users professors, research teams or students. A major appeal of these programs is that when graphical and numerical solutions to problems are readily available, students are able to manipulate their data in many different ways, leading to a greater understanding of the subject at hand.

''My students can concentrate on the chemistry instead of grinding through hours of algebra,'' says Dr. Jeffrey Fox of the University of Utah's Pharmaceutics department.

Another advantage of these programs is the ease of use. With menu-driven software such as this, learning the program is relatively simple. Again, this contributes to greater student comprehension.

By making its programs readily available to colleges and universities, 0icroMath hopes to help provide scientists and engineers in training with the tools they need to develop meaningful contributions to our

current body of research.

Interested schools are welcome to contact MicroMath Scientific Software at 800/942-MATH for further information.

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MILPITAS, CA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - LSI Logic Corp. (NYSE:LSI), and Synopsys Inc. announced Wednesday an agreement to incorporate Synopsys' logic synthesis tools into LSI Logic's Silicon 1076 VHDL (VHSIC Hardware Description Language) design environment.

In addition, LSI Logic will license Synopsys' tools for installation in their major design centers.

Under the terms of the agreement, LSI Logic will integrate Synopsys' tools to provide a complete VHDL ''Concept-to-Silicon'' systems design environment. The Synopsys tools synthesize LSI Logic's NDL (Netlist Description Language) from VHDL source code, producing optimized logic under the control of the Silicon 1076 synthesis manager.

Silicon 1076, announced at the 1990 Design Automation Conference, is the first comprehensive ''Concept-to-Silicon'' VHDL design environment to enable top-down design of complex Application Specific Integrated Circuits (ASICs) and Application Specific Standard Products (ASSPs).

The coupling of Synopsys' VHDL synthesis technology with LSI Logic's Silicon 1076 promotes an integrated methodology, beginning with high-level design capture and going through physical layout of the completed chip. This significantly speeds system time-to-market for complex high-performance integrated circuits.

Silicon 1076 integrates the following major functions:

- Architectural what-if analysis
- Interactive behavioral synthesis
- VHDL synthesis from Synopsys
- VHDL simulation from Vantage Analysis Systems
- Design verification

o Release to manufacturing

Through integration of these modules, Silicon 1076 provides significant productivity enhancement over other conventional design methodologies.

Synopsys Inc. develops and markets high-level systems simulation and synthesis tools for designing ASICs and electronic systems. The Synopsys tools support VHDL and Verilog for HDL-based design.

Synopsys is the market leader in synthesis, one of the fastest growing segments in the electronic design automation market, with installations in over 150 companies worldwide. The company has headquarters at 1098 Alta Ave., Mountain View, CA 94043.

LSI Logic Corp. is a leading supplier of high-performance semiconductors. The company is the premier manufacturer and marketer of HCMOS application-specific integrated circuits (ASICs), with over 10,000 designs completed worldwide.

In addition, the company manufactures and markets MIPS and SPARC architecture RISC microprocessors as well as a growing line of digital signal-processing circuits. The company also develops and sells chipsets and graphic boards used in IBM-compatible computers.

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CUPERTINO, CA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Gene M. Amdahl, chairman and president of Andor International, announced Wednesday the following management appointments to the organization:

Len Duncan is president of Andor America, the sales and marketing subsidiary of Andor International. Len has over 20 years experience in the systems industry, most recently, from 1976 to 1990 as vice president of systems integration with Hitachi Data Systems, previously National Advanced Systems. Prior experience also included six years marketing experience with IBM.

Dave Hansen will be joining the organization as president of Andor Products Inc., the manufacturing subsidiary of Andor International. Dave has a broad background in the computer systems industry that includes 13 years with IBM and 12 years in manufacturing management with Amdahl. Recent experience also included four years as vice president of manufacturing for the Teradata Corp.

In addition, the company announced that James K. Dutton was recently appointed to the Andor International board of directors. Dutton is currently a director of Caere Corp., System Industries and Elxsi Ltd. Previous business experience included being vice president of marketing for Amdahl from 1975 to 1979, which followed a 20 year career at IBM in a wide range of marketing and general management positions.

The company also announced that it had signed a contract with Dave N. Martin as an advisor to the company. Martin was previously executive vice president of National Semiconductor and president of National Advanced Systems. He is currently engaged in his own business of providing strategic direction and decision-making support to chief executives of selected companies.

Andor International is engaged in the design, manufacturing and worldwide marketing of a full line of IBM compatible systems products utilizing large scale technology, office systems environmentals and specific applications in the disaster avoidance and recovery markets.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The company announces that it has changed its name from Steelhawk Energy Inc. (COATS symbol: STLH) to Nucell Energy Canada Inc. effective Wednesday.

No capital alterations accompanied this name change.

The Vancouver Stock Exchange has not reviewed and does not accept responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of this news release.

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SAUSALITO, CA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Autodesk Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ACAD) Wednesday announced that it will make FLI files produced by its MS-DOS-based 2D and 3D animation programs accessible under the multimedia extensions to the Microsoft Windows graphical environment announced Wednesday by Microsoft Corp.

Autodesk is currently developing a Windows player that will allow FLI

animation files created in Autodesk Animator or Autodesk 3D Studio to be played back in a window under Windows 3.0. The Autodesk Windows Player is implemented as a Dynamic Link Library (DLL), which means it can be accessed by other Windows 3.0 applications, including multimedia authoring tools.

If used with the multimedia extensions to Windows 3.0, the Autodesk Windows Player will allow the simultaneous playback of digitized sound and FLI animation files. The final product can then be played back from any mass-storage device -- including magnetic, optical or CD-ROM discs -- allowing inexpensive, 286-based computers without large amounts of RAM to become powerful, multimedia computers.

Autodesk will make the Autodesk Windows Player available to qualified developers in first quarter 1991.

Since its introduction in 1989, Autodesk Animator has won several industry awards for bringing two-dimensional animation to 286-based IBM PCs (or compatibles), equipped only with a Video Graphics Array (VGA) card and a pointing device.

Just last month, Autodesk began shipping its newest animation package, which makes creation of three-dimensional, studio-quality animation possible on a more advanced desktop platform: the 386- and 486-based PC.

Autodesk 3D Studio creates 3D objects and uses them to generate images and animations on 386- and 486-based machines running MS-DOS, Version 3.3 or later and equipped with a hard disk, math coprocessor, pointing device and 3 megabytes of RAM.

Autodesk 3D Studio outputs three-dimensional FLI files, which can be played either on any machine capable of running Autodesk Animator, or the Autodesk Windows Player.

Autodesk 3D Studio, the award-winning Autodesk Animator, and the expanding line of Autodesk Animator Clips are the first offerings from Autodesk's Multimedia Division. Formed this August, the new division will grow this introductory product line into a complete suite of multimedia software tools.

Autodesk Inc. develops, markets and supports a family of computer-aided design engineering and animation software products for desktop computers and workstations.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Western Bancshares Inc., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Phillip R. Boyce, has announced the retirement of Donald H. West from the company's board of directors effective Nov. 15, 1990.

West, the president of West, Imboden and Walters Accountants Inc., of Watsonville, Calif., retired to devote full time to his own business. He was originally elected to the board in March of 1983.

Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. is a bank holding company. Through its subsidiaries, the company offers trust and asset management services. The holding company's Pacific Western Bank has 28 locations in three counties serving California's Santa Clara Valley and Monterey Bay Area.

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SANTA ANA, CALIF (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. Wednesday announced an exclusive value-added service for Tandem customers called Remote Monitoring.

Remote Monitoring is a proprietary, proactive diagnostic system that regularly dials into the customer's computer system and identifies potential problems. The procedure consists of establishing communication with the customer's central processing unit, reviewing its recent error status and reporting anomalies to the local field service manager.

The advantage of Remote Monitoring is that it improves systems utilization and productivity by enabling scheduled repairs to be made before problems develop. When anomalies are detected, the designated Novadyne field service manager is alerted and proactive maintenance service is arranged, minimizing the impact on information processing operations.

John Swarbrick, director of sales and marketing, says that Remote Monitoring is beneficial to the company and its customers. ''This service is very useful because it helps to predict failures before they actually happen. It is also cost-effective since problems can be corrected at the customers' convenience, not during an emergency situation,'' he said.

Novadyne Computer Systems is a total-solution field service company delivering national on-site maintenance from more than 125 field offices to Tandem, DEC and Sun end users.

Novadyne's products and services are marketed to companies in all facets of commerce including aerospace, retailing, transportation, distribution, communications, health care, educational organizations and federal and local government agencies. Revenues exceeded $100 million in 1989.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Advertising revenues for Times Mirror's Newspaper Publishing group for the five weeks ended Nov. 4, 1990, decreased 5.1 percent to $164,185,000 from $173,087,000 in the prior year.

For the 44 weeks, Jan. 1 through Nov. 4, 1990, total advertising revenues decreased 1.6 percent to $1,397,220,000, compared with $1,419,941,000 for the period Jan. 1 through Nov. 5, 1989.

The cumulative results for 1990 contained 44 Sundays, compared with 45 Sundays in the same period of 1989.

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PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of PacifiCorp (NYSE, LSE: PPW) Wednesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 36 cents per common share, payable Feb. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 23.

The ex-dividend date is Jan. 16.

The board also authorized payments of dividends on outstanding preferred shares at the specified rates.

In separate action, Keith R. McKennon was elected to the PacifiCorp board. McKennon is the executive vice president of Dow Chemical Co. and a member of that company's board. In his present capacity with Dow, McKennon has oversight responsibility for Dow Chemical Canada and research and development, manufacturing and engineering functions. His election brings the PacifiCorp board to 12 members.

The PacifiCorp board noted with sorrow the death of Betty E. Hawthorne. Hawthorne had been a member of the board since 1979 and was to retire effective with today's meeting. The board also noted at the conclusion of today's meeting the retirement of William D. Hendry, a member since 1986.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas Boardman Jr., 42, has been named a senior vice president by The Bank of California's board of directors.

Boardman joined the bank's Services Management division last January. He is responsible for the development and maintenance of computer systems, with special emphasis on integration and internal development of data processing support for the bank.

Boardman came to The Bank of California from First Interstate Bank of California, where he was a vice president and manager in the Information Systems and Services division. Before his four-year tenure with First Interstate he was executive director of University Computing Services for the University of Southern California, and vice president and manager of the Controls division at Bricmont & Associates in McMurry, Pa.

He also served as director of Computing for Carnegie-Mellon University.

Boardman, a San Francisco resident, holds a Ph.D. and master's degree in engineering from Purdue University in Indiana.

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Susan Banashek, 415/765-2628

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SACRAMENTO, CA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - McClatchy Newspapers Inc. (NYSE:MNI) Wednesday declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 4 cents per share, payable Jan. 3, 1991 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 10, 1990.

Headquartered in Sacramento, McClatchy Newspapers Inc. publishes 11 daily newspapers, eight non-daily newspapers and a group of senior citizen tabloids in California, Washington, Alaska, South Carolina, Colorado and Nevada.

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Elaine Lintecum, 916/321-1846

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WILLOW GROVE, PA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Hope Technologies Inc. (OTC) (PHSE:HPE X, HPEU X, HPEWB X) announced Wednesday that its board of directors has extended the expiration date of the company's outstanding warrants to purchase shares of its Class B common stock from Dec. 30, 1990 to June 30, 1991.

The company will, however, reserve its rights to call the warrants upon 30 days notice during the extended exercise period.

Hope Technologies Inc., invents, designs, manufactures and sells professional image processing systems. It distributes its products through a worldwide network of dealers and has distribution agreements with original equipment manufacturers.

In addition, the company is developing a rechargeable solid state lithium battery.

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Dianne Viglianese, 215/657-5500
or
East River Capital Inc., New York
Jeffrey Britz, 212/244-5553

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EUGENE, OR (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Bohemia Inc. (OTC: BOHM), at its meeting on Nov. 28, ommitted the regular quarterly 5 cents per share cash dividend.

''The past six months' operating results reflect a difficult operating environment brought on by a severe decline in housing starts and increasing recessionary pressures. Low revenues following production curtailments have resulted in losses that mandate strong measures of cash conservation,'' Richard D. Tinney, chief executive officer, said.

Bohemia, established in 1916, operates forest products manufacturing facilities in Oregon and California.

CONTACT: Bohemia Inc., Eugene
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ST. JOSEPH, MO. (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of St. Joseph Light & Power Co. Wednesday extended the company's stock repurchase program, Terry F.

Steinbecker, president, announced.

The extension authorizes the repurchase of up to an additional 400,000 shares at such time and at such prices as the officers of the company deem appropriate. Implementation of the stock repurchase program will be at the discretion of management.

The original program, approved in January 1988, authorized the repurchase of 600,000 shares. Those purchases were completed in September 1990.

The company has about 4 million shares of common stock outstanding, with about 5,900 shareholders.

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Jerry Musil, 816/233-8888 (office)
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DALLAS (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Ormand Industries Inc. (ASE:OMD) Wednesday reported that the Securitites and Exchange Commission has initiated an investigation into the financial data released by the company in connection with its recent acquisition of IOI Acquisition Corp. (a medical equipment and supplies concern based in Florida).

Such investigation concerns the existence of the accounting firm which purportedly conducted the 1989 audit of the financial statements of IOI Acquisition Corp. (''IOI'') and, as a consequence, the accuracy of such financial statements. The company included such financial statements in or as a part of recent filings made by the company with the Securities and Exchange Commission including the company's Form 8-K dated as of June 19, 1990, and the company's Form 10-Q for the second quarter of 1990.

IOI was acquired in June 1990 from M.K. Alexander, a director of the company and Robert B. Crows, formerly a director and president of the company, as a result of the IOI transaction Messrs. Alexander and Crows became the two largest shareholders of the company owning together in excess of 50 percent of the voting securities of the company.

Trading in the company's common stock on the American Stock Exchange (''Amex'') was halted on Nov. 21, 1990, pending a full evaluation by the Amex of the matters discussed in this press release and the company's continued listing eligibility. There is no certainty if or when the Amex will allow trading to resume with respect to the company's common stock or whether the Amex will permit continued listing of the company's common stock.

The company stated that it has agreed with Alexander and Crows that the

company will return the stock of IOI to Alexander and Crows and that the company will reacquire from them all of the company's capital stock issued in connection with the IOI acquisition. One million shares of the company's common stock and three million shares of the company's preferred stock were issued by the company to Alexander and Crows. In connection with this transaction, Crows has resigned from all positions as an officer and director of the company.

The company also announced that litigation has been filed against the company in Indianapolis in connection with $1,600,000 of promissory notes allegedly executed by Crows on behalf of the company to Robert Fitzgerald. The company has not yet been served in such proceedings.

The company indicated that it is uncertain as to when it will be able to release its financial results for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company further stated that recision of the IOI transaction will significantly adversely impact the company's stockholder's equity and will impair its ability to continue as a going concern.

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Jarrell B. Ormand, 214/443-0000

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ST. JOSEPH, MO (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Dwight V. Svuba has been elected to the new position of vice president-power supply for St. Joseph Light & Power Co., Terry F. Steinbecker, president, said Wednesday.

Svuba, who joined Light & Power in 1966, has been serving as director of system power operations. The board of directors elected him to a vice presidential position at its Nov. 28 meeting.

Steinbecker said that action is the result of the company's internal restructuring. For the last several months, Svuba has been reporting directly to the president in his responsibilities of heading production and generation planning functions at Light & Power.

Steinbecker said the reorganization of the company also has resulted in changing the title of Ralph B. Mayer from vice president- operations to vice president-engineering and construction.

The company has two other vice presidents, Robert L. Slater, administration, and Larry J. Stoll, finance.

During his 24-year career, he also has served as chief engineer, superintendent of system operations and manager, system operations and planning. He was named young engineer of the year in 1974 by the Northwest

chapter of the Missouri Society of Professional Engineers.

A graduate of Iowa State University with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering, Svuba also earned a master's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Missouri-Columbia. He is a registered professional engineer in Missouri.

Svuba and his wife, Sharon, are the parents of two sons, Douglas and Matthew.

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ENGLEWOOD, COLO (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - CHATFIELD DEAN & CO. INC., a Denver-based securities broker-dealer, announced Wednesday that it has taken over control of another broker-dealer, THE STUART-JAMES CO. INC.

By terms of a management agreement effective after the close of business yesterday, Chatfield Dean is handling all of Stuart-James' brokerage activities and overseeing shut down of the company.

Sanford D. Greenberg, Chatfield Dean's president, said, ''Stuart-James' customers are now fully protected and can be confident that their investment needs will be met at Chatfield Dean.'' Some Stuart-James customers have been concerned that Stuart-James might have to be liquidated by the Securities Investor Protection Corp. (SIPC) and their accounts frozen.

''This takeover of Stuart-James removes any threat of SIPC liquidation,'' Greenberg said.

The transaction also avoids delays caused by the need for regulatory approval of new Chatfield Dean branch offices in Florida. ''We have been advised that application to the Florida Comptroller's Office is not needed when one broker-dealer takes over another,'' Greenberg said. Chatfield Dean began operating Stuart-James' former offices in Tampa, Fla., Clearwater, Fla., and Boca Raton, Fla., this morning.

In addition to the Florida offices, Chatfield Dean now has offices in Denver; Chicago; San Diego; Seattle; Darien, Conn.; Bethesda, Md.; Roslyn, N.Y.; Atlanta; and Irvine, Calif.

Greenberg stressed that his company will not be involved in the ''penny stocks'' handled by Stuart-James. ''Our company offers investors safe, conservative investments appropriate to fixed income customers, discount brokerage services where the customer can talk to a broker instead of a clerk,

professional portfolio management, and investment opportunities in capital formation for sound ongoing companies,'' Greenberg said.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Sym-Tek Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:SYMK) Wednesday announced that it has received an order worth $2.8 million from a major Pacific Rim semiconductor manufacturer for handlers capable of testing up to 32 semiconductors at one time.

This capacity represents a doubling of the current 16 test sites per handler and allows greater throughput for the final test process.

These handlers are slated for delivery in the first quarter of 1991 and are designed for the next-generation 4 megabyte Dynamic Random Access Memory (DRAM) chips expected to be in full production by the second quarter of 1991.

''By listening to our customers and incorporating innovative design features into this new handler, we won the order over stiff Japanese competition,'' said Bruce O'Connor, executive vice president, ''This order begins Sym-Tek's shift to the next generation of memory handler technology.''

''As the semiconductor industry begins to gear up for the 4 megabyte DRAM, we expect that this handler will lead Sym-Tek to even better financial performance than has been experienced recently,'' added Ray Twigg, president.

Sym-Tek recently reported that net income for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $678,000 (46 cents per share), compared with net income of $230,000 (15 cents per share), for the first six months of the previous fiscal year.

The quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was the company's sixth profitable quarter in a row, the company's longest continued level of profitability since the third quarter of 1987.

Sym-Tek Systems manufactures and sells electromechanical handlers that heat or cool integrated circuits to precise temperatures, place them into position for testing and sort them based on test results. The market for the company's products is driven by worldwide capacity increases for semiconductors as well as the continually changing packages that house integrated circuits.

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PROVO, UT (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Novell Inc., (NASDAQ:NOVL) developer of NetWare systems software products, Wednesday announced that a Spanish court has ruled that Computer Technology de Espana, S.A., a Madrid-based software development firm, violated Novell's intellectual property rights by copying NetWare and marketing it as a networking program called CompNet.

The court concluded that CompNet had been copied directly from Novell's Advanced NetWare, one of the company's network operating system products.

''Spanish software copyright laws are among the best in the world, but cases such as this continue to proliferate,'' said Robert Holleyman, managing director of the Business Software Alliance (BSA), an industry advocacy group formed to advance free and fair software trade worldwide.

''We applaud this decision and commend Novell for taking a decisive leadership role in this matter.'' Software piracy and copyright infringement cost the Spanish economy nearly $800 million in 1989 alone, according to BSA statistics.

In rendering its decision in the Novell case, the Court of First Instance, Civil 14, Madrid, barred Computer Technology de Espana from continuing to sell CompNet.

In addition, the court required the company to turn over all copies of the product in stock and ordered an accounting of all revenue derived from CompNet sales to determine damages. The court has prohibited the software developer from further ''manufacturing, marketing or business retailing'' of the CompNet product.

Novell Senior Vice President and General Counsel David Bradford expressed satisfaction with the verdict. ''Novell has mounted an aggressive, ongoing campaign to identify and prosecute cases of software piracy and copyright infringement,'' he said.

''We're encouraged by this decision, and we intend to continue protecting our intellectual property rights whenever and wherever they are threatened.

''In addition to affecting Novell financially, cases of this nature hurt our distribution channels and, most significantly, users who unwittingly buy inferior products,'' Bradford added. ''Customers deserve a fully functional, fully documented, fully supported product. They're certainly not going to get that when they buy pirated software.''

Novell was first alerted to the similarities between NetWare and CompNet in

1988 by Keylan S.A., a Barcelona-based distributor of Novell products. Novell subsequently conducted an internal review to disassemble and compare the two programs.

This review identified several specific areas in which NetWare and CompNet codes were identical, including the basic NetWare kernel, security schemes, file structure implementation, cache algorithms, and some user utilities.

Based on these findings, Novell filed suit in 1989 against Computer Technology de Espana in Spanish civil court seeking damages for copyright infringement and an injunction against further sales of CompNet.

During the trial, a court-appointed software expert confirmed Novell's own comparative analysis. On Sept. 15, 1990, the court ruled in Novell's favor. Final disposition of the case is pending appeal.

Novell Inc. develops NetWare systems software products that manage and control the sharing of data across a variety of network computing environments, including computer workgroups, departmental networks and business-wide information systems.

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FREMONT, CALIF. (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Netcor Inc. (NASDAQ:NTCRA), a manufacturer of network connection devices for Ethernet applications, announced Wednesday the resignation of Steve Loring as its vice president, marketing and sales and director.

Loring's resignation was for personal reasons. The marketing and sales duties will be temporarily assumed by Donald Winstead, chairman and chief executive officer, pending the recruitment of a replacement.

Loring will continue to function as a member of the advisory directorate of the company. Netcor also announced the promotion of Julia Paris to the position of distributor sales manager. Netcor, a NASDAQ listed company with approximately 5,200,000 shares outstanding, trades under the symbol NTCRA.

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Donald Winstead, 415/623-3700

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BASKING RIDGE, NJ (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Science Management Corp.

(AMEX:SMG) Wednesday announced that results for the first nine months of 1990 included sales from continuing operations of $42,122,000 compared with the sales of $49,679,000 for the same period of 1989.

A loss after taxes from continuing operations of $1,611,000, or 57 cents per share was incurred in the period compared with a loss of $952,000, or 34 cents per share in the 1989 months.

The loss from continuing operations before taxes was $936,000 in the 1990 nine months vs. a loss of $474,000 in the 1989 period. Income tax expense resulted from Foreign and State Income taxes payable on profitable operations. The company had an after tax loss from discontinued operations of $1,247,000, or 44 cents per share in the 1990 nine month period in comparison to a loss of $290,000, or 10 cents per share in the 1989 nine months. The third quarter and nine months of 1990 also include an estimated loss of $750,000, or 27 cents per share, on the pending disposal of a discontinued business, the sale of which is being negotiated.

SMC further announced that the company has engaged in the investment banking firm of Legg Mason Wood Walker Inc. to assist the company in a strategic review of available options regarding financing and opportunities to increase shareholder value.

In making these announcements, James A. Skidmore Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of SMC said, ''continuing operations showed a loss in the third quarter this year because of lower sales in management services in North America, computer systems operations and mechanical design engineering services, as well as seasonal effects on European operations due to the usual heavy vacation period there in the third quarter. While markets for our domestic management consulting and computer services continue to be affected by the declining economic conditions, we expect improvement in SMC's results in the fourth quarter primarily due to engineering and management services operations,'' Skidmore concluded.

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DALLAS (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Spectrum Information Technologies Inc. (''Spectrum'') (NASDAQ:SPCLC) Wednesday announced its agreement with L.A. Cellular, a provider of state-of-the-art digital technology throughout Southern California, for the use of Spectrum's proprietary technology in a new service to be offered to L.A. Cellular customers, Star Data.

By use of the new technology from L.A. Cellular and Spectrum Cellular Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Spectrum, Star Data makes information systems more

accessible and accurate than ever. Star Data offers mobile users error-free data communications through a combination of portable laptop computers and new state-of-the-art modems designed for use with cellular phones.

Accessed by dialing a star, plus the letters DATA on any L.A. Cellular activated phone equipped with Spectrum's cellular modem technology, customers can perform a number of error-free information transmission functions from the field.

Among the potential applications for this technology are accessing a company's mainframe to determine the location of needed materials or stock, accessing the LEXIS legal database or CompuServe medical database, completing and transmitting office correspondence to support staff, accessing billing or service agreement information, and processing sales orders from the field.

Spectrum Information Technologies Inc., a publicly held integrated company, along with its subsidiaries, has the demonstrated capability to develop, deliver and support a wide array of state-of-the-art telecommunications and portable data products.

Whether equipping field personnel with portable computers, providing host site computers and networks, or tying the two together with untethered, wireless communications technology, Spectrum is an industry leader.

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NASHVILLE, TN (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - James W. Egan, executive vice president and chief financial officer of REN Corporation-USA (NASDAQ/NMS:RENL) Wednesday announced that the company has retained KPMG Peat Marwick as its new independent accountants following the resignation of Price Waterhouse effective Nov. 20, 1990.

Commenting on the change in accountants, Egan said: ''We chose KPMG Peat Marwick as REN's new accountants because of their extensive experience in auditing companies in the health care industry. Their selection follows a thorough review by our Audit Committee of the capabilities of several national accounting firms.''

The Securities and Exchange Commission requires that a change in independent accountants be reported in a Form 8-K. In the company's filing with the SEC, REN stated that ''there were no disagreements with Price Waterhouse regarding any matters of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedures'' during fiscal 1988, 1989 and for the period Jan. 1, 1990 through Nov. 20, 1990.

During this time frame, the reports of Price Waterhouse did not contain an adverse opinion or a disclaimer of opinion, and were not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles. In addition, there were no ''reportable events'' as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act of 1933.

REN Corporation-USA is engaged primarily in providing renal dialysis services to patients suffering from chronic kidney failure. Dialysis services are provided principally at the company's 27 freestanding outpatient REN Centers located in ten states.

The company also provides outpatient dialysis services to patients in their homes and inpatient dialysis services through contracts with 20 hospitals. In addition, the company performs blood, tissue and urine testing services for its REN Centers, as well as for independent physicians and industry, at its three clinical laboratories.

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EVANSVILLE, IN (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Shareholders of Warrick Financial Corp., the single-bank holding company for Warrick National Bank of Boonville, Ind., have voted unanimously in favor of a merger with Old National Bancorp (NASDAQ:OLDB), and the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency has issued its approval for completion of the company's third merger of the year.

With $95 million in assets, Warrick National Bank is Warrick County's largest bank. The bank's main office in Boonville, and two full-service offices in nearby Newburgh will become branches of Old National Bancorp in Evansville in mid-December.

Old National Bancorp recently consummated two other bank mergers, bringing Security Bank and Trust Co. of Mt. Carmel, Ill., and Farmers Bank & Trust Co. of Henderson, Ky., into its three-state regional holding company.

Old National Bancorp Chairman Dan W. Mitchell, said: ''All three of these new partnerships represent opportunities to take advantage of already existing strength in their respective communities. The three mergers add approximately $330 million to total company assets, and we expect an annual earnings contribution that should easily exceed $3 million.''

Completion of the mergers in Warrick County, Henderson, Ky., and Mt. Carmel, Ill., brings the total Old National Bancorp assets to nearly $2.6 billion. With the new affiliate locations, the company will have 68 bank offices in Indiana, Kentucky and Illinois.

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  Steve Parker, 812/464-1266 (financial) or
  Susan Rosenberg, 812/464-1442 (other).

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BOISE, ID (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Albertson's Inc. announced that it has reached an agreement to purchase four stores in Wichita, Kan., from Harvest Foods Inc.

The transaction is expected to close in mid-January 1991. Albertson's will be remodeling the four combination units and adding its new decor package.

Warren E. McCain, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Albertson's Inc. stated that, ''Albertson's is very excited about entering the Wichita, Kan., market. The state of Kansas will be the 17th state in which we operate and we look forward to many years of serving Wichita's residents.''

Albertson's Inc., based in Boise, is the sixth largest operator of retail food-drug stores in the United States and currently operates 527 stores in 16 Southern and Western states.

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    A. Craig Olson, 208/385-6284

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WOODLAND HILLS, CALIF. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert H. Gurevitch, chief executive officer of New Image Industries Inc. (NMS:NIIS) notes that the Wall Street Journal Wednesday reported the filing of a class-action lawsuit against New Image and four of its officers.

Gurevitch said: ''At this time, the company has not yet been served with a complaint related to this lawsuit and consequently neither New Image nor any of the named officers has had the opportunity to review the complaint. The company will be unable to comment until it has had an opportunity to review the contents of the complaint and the allegations made therein.''

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TORONTO (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Central Crude Ltd. (ToSE/VcSE:CLC) reported

that Noranda Exploration Company Ltd., the company's operator, has reported a further 21 diamond drill holes completed on the company's Moss Lake project located some 80 km west of Thunder Bay, Ontario.

The Moss Lake project is a joint venture, 60/40 between the company and Tandem Resources Ltd. and Storimin Exploration Ltd. The company is attempting to establish the economic viability of a large tonnage low-grade gold, copper and silver open pit operation.

The mineralized zone has now been drill indicated for approximately 8,000 feet to date and the current results continue to establish widths of low-grade mineralization in excess of 300 feet to a vertical depth of approximately 600 feet.

Additional assaying and metallurgical testing is continuing to determine recoverable grades of the mineralization. All 21 diamond drill holes reported encountered the mineralization.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - FMC Corp. Wednesday announced the sale of its 1.35 million shares of Centocor Inc. for a price of $45 per share.

Centocor is a biotechnology company with products and research based on monoclonal antibody technology.

FMC received the shares in 1986 in exchange for its interest in a research and development biotechnology joint venture with Centocor. The sale of the shares will generate $61 million in pre-tax cash flow for FMC, and an after-tax gain of $16+million, or $0.45 per share. It is anticipated that part of this gain will be offset by charges related to a softening economy.

According to Robert H. Malott, FMC chairman and chief executive officer, ''Although the Centocor shares represented a successful financial investment for FMC, the association did not contribute strategically to our core businesses.''

FMC Corp., headquartered in Chicago, is one of the world's leading producers of machinery and chemicals for industry, government and agriculture. The company operates 88 manufacturing and mine facilities in 24 states and 21 foreign countries. The company divides its businesses into five major segments: Industrial Chemicals, Performance Chemicals, Precious Metals, Defense Systems, and Machinery and Equipment.

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LONG BEACH, CALIF (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Pioneer Electronic Corp. (NYSE:PIO) Wednesday announced that its finance subsidiary in the United States, Pioneer Electronics Capital Inc., will issue approximately $200 million in short-term commercial paper to provide working capital for Pioneer's U.S. manufacturing and sales subsidiaries.

The offering is being managed by Nomura Securities International Inc., Merrill Lynch Capital Markets Inc. and Lehman Commercial Paper Inc. The Fuji Bank and Trust Co. in New York will serve as the issuing and paying agent.

The commercial paper, which has a maturity of not more than 270 days, has been rated P-1 by Moody's Investors Services Inc. and A-1 by Standard & Poor's Corp.

Founded in 1988, Pioneer Electronics Capital Inc. handles investments and financing needs for several U.S. Pioneer companies and has approximately $190 million in capital.

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PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Peripheral Systems Inc. announced plans at its Nov. 27 annual shareholders' meeting to restructure its operations in order to provide necessary working capital.

Ralph E. Carp, who became president of Peripheral at the end of July, told shareholders that Peripheral and its subsidiaries, TriSys, Peak Beam and Nucell will all need cash infusions.

Carp further stated that Peripheral's other subsidiary, X-Ray, cannot generate sufficient cash to support all of these subsidiary and parent corporation cash needs.

At the annual meeting, shareholders elected a new board of directors, consisting of Carp, Clifford Sawyer (president of Nucell) and Barry Hulin.

Management and the new board of Peripheral do not believe that an equity offering is feasible at this time. Immediate cost cutting measures have been implemented, but will not provide the required working capital. Accordingly,

Carp advised that Peripheral has undertaken a restructuring program whereby it will divest the TriSys and Peak Beam subsidiaries.

In addition, parent company staff will be reduced significantly and the corporate offices of Peripheral will be relocated to the facilities of X-Ray at 7500 Perimeter Road, Seattle, Wash., 98108, telephone number 206/763-1919.

Finally, the board is considering available alternatives for X-Ray and Nucell. These alternatives include the sale of X-Ray and use of those proceeds to fund the development of Nucell.

Carp concluded by stating that ''the economic realities are that the resources required to continue to own and operate all of the companies are too great, and we are faced with making some hard choices. Based on market potential, management and the board believe the company's future should focus on X-Ray or Nucell or, if possible, both.''

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MILPITAS, Calif. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - System Industries Inc. (ASE:SYI) Wednesday announced that it had received initial funding under its new $8 million revolving line of credit with CoastFed Business Credit Corp. and Silicon Valley Bank.

This line is secured by substantially all of the North American assets of the company.

The initial funding allows the company to fully extinguish the outstanding amounts for the company's existing bank line of credit, to pay down a substantial portion of debt owing under the convertible subordinated notes that had previously matured and will provide funds for the company's general working capital needs.

''This financing package positions the company well for its growth requirements in 1991,'' said Paul Emery, the company's chief executive officer. ''We are enthusiastic about our new relationship with Silicon Valley Bank and CoastFed Corporation,'' he said.

It is also anticipated that future drawdowns on the line, to the extent permitted under the financing, will provide additional funds for the company's general working capital needs.

The company's convertible subordinated notes, in an aggregate principal amount of $4,850,000 matured on May 23, 1990.

In connection with the payment of approximately 50 percent of the outstanding principal balance of such notes and the issuance of warrants to purchase approximately 205,125 shares of common stock of the company, the holders of substantially all of the notes have formally extended the maturity date with respect to such notes an additional 90 days.

Founded in 1968, System Industries Inc. provides innovative data storage subsystems integrated with comprehensive supporting services for the DEC operating environment.

System Industries' corporate headquarters is located at 1855 Barber Lane, Milpitas, Calif. 95035. For further information, contact Andrew D. Wahl, vice president of finance and chief financial officer, at 408/434-6800, extension 2179.

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PHOENIX (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Senior management from Del Webb Corp. (NYSE/PSE:WBB) will address the New York Society of Security Analysts on Wednesday, Nov. 28.

The presentation will take place at noon at 71 Broadway, New York, N.Y. Joining Chairman Philip Dion will be Donald Mickus, vice president and treasurer; John Spencer, vice president and controller; and Jack Gleason, vice president.

Del Webb is the nation's leading developer of active adult communities. The company is primarily engaged in the design, development and marketing of master-planned active adult communities in Arizona, Nevada and California. The company's recently completed restructuring and recapitalization has allowed it to focus its full attention on this business.

Del Webb has 30 years of acknowledged experience in the development of active adult communities whose long-term nature provides a buffer against real estate cycles. The recapitalization of the company has placed it in a position of having significant operational cashflows as well as liquidity from recently restructured bank lines.

Del Webb is a unique company and currently has distinguished itself in today's real estate markets. In view of the general state of the economy, nationwide home-building trends and the weakness of some markets, Del Webb has performed well. Some accomplishments over the past year include:

-- Completing the restructuring which has resulted in improved fundamentals with a primary focus on the development of active adult communities;

-- Earning $1.45 per share in fiscal 1990 (June 30, 1990), compared with a loss of $1.51 in the prior year. This was followed by first-quarter (Sept. 30 1990) earnings of 26 cents per share. The company anticipates continued profitable results from operations for the second quarter and remainder of the fiscal year;

-- Achieving a return on equity of 22 percent in fiscal 1990;

-- Increasing, by 12 percent, sales for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, vs. Sept. 30, 1989;

-- Maintaining the backlog of homes sold but not yet delivered at over 1,000, representing future revenues for Del Webb of over $140 milliion;

-- Acquiring land and starting the entitlement process for a new Sun City project in Palm Springs, Calif.;

-- Conducting property searches in new regions including Texas, the middle Atlantic states and Northern California for future Sun City projects; and

-- Acquiring, at very favorable prices, new acreage to expand the Sun City West project.

Del Webb is the leading developer of active adult communities in the United States.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Barden ''Bud'' Erickson, Nordstrom vice president and corporate director of store planning will retire from the company on Monday, Dec. 3.

Erickson has been with Nordstrom in the position since 1976.

Erickson's contributions to Nordstrom and to architecture in the retail industry have been significant. Since taking the helm of the store planning division, Erickson has supervised the design and construction of 59 of the company's 63 stores. Many of the concepts the company has introduced have

been adapted by other major retailers including Nordstrom's more open shopping atmosphere utilizing the escalators as a focal point.

In an industry not traditionally known for its innovative architecture, Erickson has helped Nordstrom become a pacesetter among major retailers. Working with the Callison Partnership staff, Erickson and his team have demanded that each store be unique, reflecting the flavor of the local community.

Recent stores opening in Paramus, N.J., Santa Barbara, Calif., and San Francisco have received recognition for their integration of state-of-the-art features such as the lighting systems and custom furnishings combined with unparalleled customer amenities like comfortable seating lounges, concierge desks and piano galleries.

Erickson is quick to point out that his intent has always been to ''design stores for the public, not for the approval of other architects. It is this commitment to detail that best demonstrates the company's sensitivity to customers and their needs.''

A Seattle native, Erickson attended Roosevelt High School and went on to graduate from the University of Washington School of Architecture. Prior to joining Nordstrom, Erickson was one of the founding partners in the architectural firm of Callison-Erickson-Hobble, the firm that eventually became The Callison Partnership.

Upon retirement, Erickson plans to devote more time to his favorite hobbies including golf, writing and painting.

Erickson will be replaced by David Lindsey, president of The Callison Partnership, the firm which has worked with Nordstrom to design all of their new stores.

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WALLINGFORD, CONN. (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: NMTX) Wednesday announced results for the second quarter and six month period ended October 28, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter ended October 28, 1990 were $4,282,808 compared to $2,337,505 reported for the second quarter of fiscal 1990. The Company reported a net loss for the quarter of $551,693, or $0.14 per share, compared to a net loss of $7,965,863, or $2.10 per share, reported for the quarter ended October 29, 1989.

For the six month period revenues were $8,310,653 compared to $8,372,918 reported for the comparable six months of fiscal 1990. The Company reported a net loss of $1,805,901, or $0.45 per share, compared to a net loss of $8,692,327, or $2.30 per share, reported for the six months ended October 29, 1989.

In commenting on the results for the quarter, William J. Lacourciere, President and Chief Operating Officer, stated, ''We experienced a modest improvement in revenues of 8% during the second quarter as compared to our first fiscal quarter. However, losses for the second quarter decreased by more than 50% through the reduction of expenses. Losses would have been reduced more significantly were it not for better than anticipated utilization of completed inventory, resulting in excess manufacturing capacity.''

Lacourciere continued, ''We are pleased to report an overall improvement in sales and, in particular, that this increase has been experienced worldwide and across the entire product line.''

NOVAMETRIX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. is a leading designer, developer, manufacturer and marketer of medical electronic instruments which non-invasively and continuously assess a critically ill patient's oxygen and carbon dioxide status. The Company's products are primarily used in operating rooms, intensive care units and respiratory therapy departments.

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DALLAS (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - CYBERTEK Corp. (NASDAQ:CKCP) announced Wednesday the annual release of new enhancements and features for its CK4 system.

CK4 provides processing support for individual life, health and annuity policies from initial sale, through the life of the contract.

CYBERTEK makes this major release on an annual basis to keep the system current with regulatory reporting changes and new product innovations. With these planned, coordinated releases, CYBERTEK clients can be sure that their businesses stay one step ahead of new regulations, new technology such as imaging and expert systems and new insurance products that enter the marketplace.

Since 1984 CYBERTEK has provided this important annual release through its Strategic Business Support (SBS) Services group, which consists of an alliance of CYBERTEK clients formed to help direct future development of the CK4 system.

This type of cooperative effort also eliminates the need for clients to devote costly resources to in-house development. For the sixth straight year, CYBERTEK has met the scheduled release date for the functional and technical enhancements to improve the CK4 system.

CYBERTEK devoted in excess of $3.5 million to provide this annual release to its customers. Over 25 employees were dedicated to the research, development, testing and installation of this year's release. In addition, the Quality Assurance Program, a CYBERTEK user-type employee group, tests each release in a live environment to ensure that each client receives a fully tested system and the updates for the comprehensive user and technical documentation which accompany it.

All of the 1990 enhancements will be on display at the Release Preview Meeting to be held on Nov. 29, 1990, at the CYBERTEK INFOMART location in Dallas.

This is a user and technical forum for SBS Services clients that previews both the technical and the functional enhancements at one time.

For over 20 years, CYBERTEK has pioneered the development of real-time computer systems and software programs designed to increase productivity for customers. CYBERTEK is traded over the counter on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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MIAMI (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Noven Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAC:NOVN), announced Tuesday that it has developed a new dental anesthetic delivery system for the alleviation of pain without the administration of injections.

The Transoral Mucosal Anesthetic product, which resembles a small wafer, can be placed in the oral cavity for delivery of a dental anesthetic. Noven has conducted extensive in-vitro studies and is confident that the product will provide a substantial numbing effect after being applied for approximately five minutes.

Noven's Transoral Mucosal Anesthetic Delivery System should effectively provide local anesthesia for light fillings, cleanings, injection sites, and a wide variety of soft tissue dental procedures.

Billy Beal, executive vice president of Marketing and Sales for Noven said, ''Today in the United States there are approximately 150,000 practicing dentists who provide upwards of one million injections per day in order to

obtain local anesthesia.

''For the many dental patients who fear needles and the pain of injections this new product should provide a level of comfort and relief that is currently unavailable. The huge market potential and the apparent need for this unique product makes it one that should be enthusiastically accepted by both patients and dentists.''

Commenting on the regulatory status of the product, Steven Sablotsky, chairman of the board and president of Noven said, ''We will be filing an IND (Investigational New Drug) application with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) very shortly and we anticipate beginning human clinical trials in the first half of 1991.

''A New Drug Application (NDA) could be filed with the FDA in mid to late 1991.''

Noven Pharmaceuticals Inc. is engaged in the development and manufacture of transdermal delivery systems. Transdermal systems move drugs or other substances through the skin and into the bloodstream. The many benefits of transdermal drug delivery include controlled delivery for a finite period, improved patient compliance and the avoidance of problems associated with oral drug delivery.

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CALABASAS, CA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Jack Lin, president of National Technical Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:NTSC) announced Wednesday improved operating results for the third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, of fiscal year 1991.

Consolidated sales for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990 increased $818,000 (11 percent) to $8,414,000, compared with $7,596,000 for the same quarter last year. Income before income taxes increased $49,000 (13 percent) to $430,000 and net income to $257,000, or 4 cents per share, compared with pre-tax income of $381,000 and net income of $236,000, or 4 cents per share, for the same period last year.

For the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, net sales increased $791,000 (3 percent) to $23,759,000, compared with net sales in the same period last year of $22,968,000.

Income before income taxes was down slightly to $1,119,000 resulting in lower net income of $670,000, or 11 cents per share, compared with pre-tax income of $1.21 million and net income of $749,000, or 12 cents per share, for the same

nine-month period last year.

National Technical Systems, with operations in California, Virginia Massachusetts and Michigan, is one of the largest independent testing and technical support organizations in the United States. The company provides testing and technical services to a wide range of industries, principally defense, aerospace, nuclear power generation and automotive. The acquisition of S&W Technical Services expands NTS' operations to Texas, Louisiana, South Carolina and Arizona.

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GREENWICH, CONN. (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Stolt Tankers and Terminals (Holdings) S.A. (NASDAQ:STLTF) has declared a semiannual cash dividend of 30 cents per common share, matching the previous dividend paid last July.

This dividend will be paid Jan. 18, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 28, 1990.

''In the first nine months of 1990, we have achieved earnings from operations of $38.8 million or $1.44 per share, which is a little lower than in the same period last year.

''The fourth quarter appears to be strong as a result of the very active parcel tanker market resulting from the Persian Gulf crisis,'' said John H. Blankley, the company's chief financial officer.

Blankley added, ''The fall of our share price appears to us to have no basis relative to the state of the business of the company.''

Stolt Tankers and Terminals (Holdings) S.A. is an international transportation company specializing in the distribution of bulk liquids, both by land and sea.

The company operates worldwide, with 21 offices in 12 countries. Stolt-Nielsen provides distribution services among most maritime countries with its combination of transoceanic and coastal parcel tankers; door-to-door intermodal tank container service throughout the world, combined with tank container leasing; five regional storage and distribution centers in the United States, Northwest Europe and Brazil; as well as barges, railcars and tank trucks.

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MENLO PARK, CA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - ETAK Inc., a unit of News Corp., reported that General Motors Corp. has amended the Patent License and Technology Agreement between the two companies to allow ETAK to make its navigation technology available to other automakers building and selling cars in North America.

This option was part of the 1985 agreement that gave GM exclusive North American OEM rights to ETAK's dead reckoning and map-matching technology for in-vehicle navigation. All other aspects of the agreement, which continues in force until expiration of ETAK's patents, remain essentially unchanged. In addition, GM intends to purchase from ETAK the digitized maps it requires.

Honey noted that with GM's encouragement from the outset, ETAK has licensed its map database both to commercial users and to other U.S. automakers for development of their own in-vehicle navigation systems.

Now covering 75 percent of the country's metropolitan roads, ETAK's maps have become a virtual standard, in wide everyday use by truck fleets for routing and scheduling, by dispatch centers for public safety and emergency vehicles, and by utilities for facilities management.

Using ETAK's navigation technology, GM helped to launch Pathfinder, an experiment of intelligent vehicle highway systems (IVHS) now underway in Los Angeles.

In the test, each of 25 Oldsmobiles is equipped with a Travelpilot, a navigation system manufactured by Robert Bosch GmbH under license from ETAK.

The Travelpilot displays an electronic map on a CRT in the car. A radio link permits congested areas ahead to be shown on the display, allowing the driver to navigate around the blockage.

ETAK technology is also playing a key role in TravTek, a larger, more ambitious IVHS experiment planned for Orlando, Fla., in 1992. A hundred GM cars, 75 of which will be rental units, will use ETAK's digital map data and technology for navigation. This will be supplemented with AAA's business listings and digital maps for driver information.

Other ETAK licensees are Clarion Corp., in Japan and Asia, and Robert Bosch in Europe. GM's Delco Electronics, which works directly with ETAK, is the

world's largest manufacturer of automotive sound systems, followed by Clarion, the second largest, and Bosch, the third.

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READING, PA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Sovereign Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:SVRN), the parent company of Penn Savings Bank and Yardley Bank for Savings, ranked 20th in the nation of best-performing large thrifts, according to a United States Banker survey released in November 1990.

The ranking was based on a formula which considered quality and total sizes of assets, reserves for loan losses, non-performing loans, tangible equity, return on assets and return on equity.

Jay S. Sidhu, president and chief executive officer of Sovereign, attributed this ranking to the company's philosophy of ''doing a few things right.'' For the past four years, Sovereign's subsidiaries have been focused on core consumer banking -- primarily serving the homeowners market.

Six specific characteristics of Sovereign's strategy have been turned into working objectives which management refers to as its ''Six Critical Factors of Success.'' They include high asset quality, low interest rate risk, high volumes of adjustable rate loan originations, low overhead, excellence in sales and service and staff development.

''We believe that if we can continue to succeed in instituting these characteristics, in time we will be acknowledged as an outstanding financial institution,'' said Sidhu. ''We are very pleased with the U.S. Banker survey rating,'' he continued.

Sovereign stock is traded on the NASDAQ Over-the-Counter Market System as SVRN. The closing price on Tuesday, Nov. 27, was $9.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Frederick E. Hennig has been elected to the board of directors of Borden, Inc. (NYSE:BN).

Mr. Hennig, 58, is president and chief operating officer and a director of New York-based Woolworth Corporation.

A native of Kitchener, Ontario, Canada, Mr. Hennig began his career with Woolworth in 1949 as a management trainee for F.W. Woolworth Co. Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary headquartered in Toronto.

During the next 34 years, he held various positions with that subsidiary, including store manager, district manager, vice president & general manager, senior vice president & general manager, and executive vice president of Canadian corporate operations.

In February 1984, Mr. Hennig transferred to the parent company in New York as senior vice president -- worldwide general merchandise operations, an office he held until elected to his current positions in February 1987.

Mr. Hennig serves on the boards of directors of many Woolworth subsidiaries as well as the parent corporation. He is a member of the Canadian-American Committee of the National Planning Association, and of the Boy Scouts of America Chairman's Club.

Borden, Inc. is a worldwide producer of foods, non-food consumer products, and packaging and industrial products, with worldwide sales of $7.7 billion in 1989.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Nu-West Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:FERT) announced it has received a $3.5 million senior subordinated term loan from certain affiliates on Nov. 23, 1990, and it has filed an appeal of the $2.1 million judgement in Clarendon vs. Nu-West Industries Inc.

The company stated that the proceeds of the new long-term loan will be used to collateralize a $2.3 million bond required for the appeal of the Clarendon litigation and will provide additional working capital to enable the company to pursue the diversification of its Conda, Idaho operations through a potential joint venture for the development of mineral extraction technologies.

The $3.5 million senior subordinated secured term loan from affiliates of Weiss, Peck and Greer bears interest at a fixed rate of 15 percent, payable quarterly, and the prinicpal is payable at a maturity on Oct. 1, 1994.

The lenders received warrants to purchase 2.5 million shares of common stock,

exercisable beginning in April 1992 and expiring 10 years from the date of the loan.

The initial exercise price of the warrants is 5 cents per share, increasing by 5 cents per share during each twelve months after November 1992.

The lenders have the option of receiving common stock in lieu of cash for interest payments due after the first four quarters of the loan based on the fair market value of the common stock on the interest payment date.

Additionally, the lenders have the option to convert the prinicpal of the loan to common stock based on the fair market value of the common stock at the maturity date.

Nu-West is engaged in the manufacture and sale of phosphate fertilizer products.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - VISX, INCORPORATED (NASDAQ Symbol: VISX; BSE Symbol: VSX) and Taunton Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ Symbol: TTEK), leaders in the development of sophisticated ophthalmic devices, Wednesday announced the closing of the acquisition of VISX by Taunton.

The resulting corporation will be called VISX, INCORPORATED, a Delaware corporation. In order to reflect the acquisition, the NASDAQ Stock Symbol will be ''VISXD'' until December 31, 1990. After that date, the NASDAQ Stock Symbol will be ''VISX.''

The terms of the merger provided for the issuance of one share of Taunton Common Stock for each 1.3597 outstanding share of VISX common stock.

Charles R. Munnerlyn, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of VISX, INCORPORATED, stated, ''The merger of our two Companies enables the resulting corporation to aggressively pursue the further development and commercialization of our excimer laser systems. The inherent synergies of this consolidation will enable VISX to capitalize on the resulting solid patent position, reduced cost structure, and stronger management team. As a result, the Company is well-positioned to demonstrate to the Food and Drug Administration the safety and efficacy of our devices, bringing us closer to making excimer laser corneal sculpting available to the marketplace.''

VISX, INCORPORATED designs, manufactures and markets advanced technology

systems for ophthalmic applications which have the potential to eliminate the need for eye glasses or contact lenses for millions of people.

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SANTA ANA, CA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Amplicon Inc. (NASDAQ:AMPI) announced Wednesday that management had been authorized to purchase, from time to time, in the open market or through negotiated purchases, up to an additional 300,000 shares of the company's common stock.

Between June 30, 1988, and March 7, 1990, Amplicon repurchased approximately 600,000 shares of its common stock. A total of 5,984,990 shares of common stock is currently outstanding.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Designs Inc. (NASDAQ:DESI), operator of specialty retail stores that sell exclusively Levi Strauss & Co. clothing and accessories, announced Wednesday its financial results for the third quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990.

Sales for the quarter rose to $35.6 million, compared with $23.8 million a year ago, a 50 percent increase. For the first nine months of the fiscal year sales were $80.3 million compared with $51.1 million, representing an increase of 57 percent. Comparable store sales, those 58 stores open a full fiscal year, increased 9 percent for the quarter and 12 percent for the year to date.

Gross margin rate (including the costs of occupancy) remained stable at 31 percent for the quarter and 28 percent for the first nine months of the fiscal year compared with the same periods last year. This performance is very encouraging in the current competitive market place and was made possible by the continued favorable impact the stronger sales have had on our fixed occupancy costs as a percent to sales.

Net income for the quarter was $1.6 million, or 33 cents per share compared with $515,000, or 10 cents per share for the third quarter last year. For the

first nine months of the current fiscal year net income was $226,000, or 5 cents per share compared with a net loss of $1.5 million, or 29 cents per share for the comparable period in the prior fiscal year.

In reporting the results, Geoffrey M. Holczer, treasurer and chief financial officer, noted: ''We are very pleased with the results of the third quarter especially when compared with a relatively strong third quarter in the prior fiscal year. This is our third consecutive quarter of increased sales and earnings over comparable periods in the prior year. Looking to the upcoming Holiday season, we feel that we are well positioned to do business in the current environment and we look forward to another quarter of increased sales and earnings.''

Designs Inc.'s 70 traditional stores and 32 outlet stores sell exclusively Levi Strauss & Co. clothing and accessories under the ''Designs exclusively Levi Strauss & Co.'' and ''Specials exclusively Levi's'' names. The stores are located in enclosed regional shopping malls and outlet parks in 26 states throughout the eastern half of the country.

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GAINESVILLE, FLA. (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Quadrex Corp. (NASDAQ:QUAD) announced revenues for its third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 amounting to $9,811,000 compared to $9,458,000 for the like quarter last year.

The company had earnings of $246,000 or 3 cents per share for the quarter, compared to a loss of $2,244,000 or (29 cents) per share for the like period last year.

Revenues for the first nine months this year amounted to $27,644,000 compared to revenues of $31,101,000 for the period last year. Net income for the nine months amounted to $397,000 or 5 cents per share, compared to a loss last year of $7,669,000 or (99 cents) per share.

Included in the three and nine month results are earnings this year from discontinued operations of $215,000 and a loss last year of $2,663,000, respectively.

''This represents our third consecutive quarterly profit, and efforts are underway to continue the trend,'' said Quadrex chairman and chief executive officer William B. Derrickson. ''We are following through on our commitment to restore the company to profitability.''

Quadrex provides waste disposal, recycling, decontamination, engineering and

technical support services to utilities, industrial companies, institutions, and government agencies. The company's stock is listed with the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol QUAD.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Westvaco Corp., during a meeting held Tuesday in New York, declared a regular quarterly dividend of 26-1/4 cents per share on the company's common stock.

This dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record Dec. 11, 1990 and is the 381st consecutive quarterly common stock dividend paid to Westvaco shareholders.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Buttes Gas & Oil Co. has reported a loss for the three month period ending Sept. 30, 1990 of $2,276,000 or 3 cents per share compared to a loss of $1,149,000 or 2 cents per share in the third quarter of 1989.

Revenues in the 1990 quarter were $5,844,000 compared with revenues of $5,994,000 in last year's third quarter. A primary reason for the increased net loss in the 1990 quarter was attributable to the agricultural segment, which had a 39 percent decrease in revenues as compared to the 1989 period due to a lower crop yield ($2,021,000 in 1990 compared to $3,306,000 in 1989).

The nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990 reflects a loss of $2,950,000 or 4 cents per share compared to a loss of $1,181,000 or 2 cents per share in the 1989 period. Revenues in the nine month period of 1990 were $12,049,000 compared with revenues of $12,498,000 in 1989. The 1989 periods have been restated to conform to a revised method of accounting for the agricultural segment beginning in 1990.

The company has been advised that the Pacific Stock Exchange authorized trading of the company's common stock to begin on Nov. 5, 1990, under the trading symbol ''BGO''.

Buttes Gas & Oil Co.

Financial Highlights
(Unaudited)
($000 omitted except per share data)

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,		Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 5,844	$ 5,994	$ 12,049	$ 12,498
Net loss	$ (2,276)	$ (1,149)	$ (2,950)	$ (1,181)
Net loss per common share	$ (.03)	$ (.02)	$ (.04)	$ (.02)
Weighted average common shares outstanding	69,832	69,832	69,832	69,832

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Company is pleased to announce that:

$2 MILLION FUNDING

The sum of $2 million has been committed to a credit facility for use in connection with the Company's proposed acquisition of Richmond Plywood Corp. Ltd. (''RichPly'').

The monies have been placed under the control of the law firm of Norton Stewart & Scarlett in trust on terms which include their retention until the first to occur of the following:

a/ the Company issuing a press release withdrawing from the Richply acquisition;

b/ completion of the RichPly acquisition; or

c/ Jan. 31, 1991, which is the intended closing date of the transaction.

The funds have been provided by William Botham, Jr., a shareholder of the Company who will have the right of final approval of the transaction prior to advance of the funds for the RichPly acquisition.

PRIVATE PLACEMENT

Effective Wednesday, and subject to the requisite regulatory approvals, the Company has negotiated a private placement of 500,000 units (the ''Units'') at a price of $1.50 per Unit, from which the Company will realize $750,000.

Each Unit will consist of one common share and one non-transferable share purchase warrant entitling the holder thereof to purchase one additional common share of the Company at a price of $1.50 per share until Nov. 26, 1991. Upon exercise of the warrants the Company will realize an additional $750,000.

LICENSING AGREEMENT

A dispute has arisen between the Company and Zaba Lee Enterprises Ltd. (''Zaba Lee'') as to the timing of a $100,000 payment claimed due under the licensing agreement governing use of the Isosyl resin within Canada, excepting British Columbia.

It is the position of Zaba Lee that the payment was due Nove. 9, 1990. It is the Company's view that no payments can be made pending prior approval of the contract by the Vancouver Stock Exchange. Zaba Lee gave the Company notice of default with respect to the payment Nov. 21, 1990.

The license agreement provides a period of 30 days from the date of notice after which the license may be terminated at the option of the Licensor. The Company and Zaba Lee are working toward resolution of the dispute within a timely manner.

The Company is current with respect to payments on the contract for use of Isosyl resin within British Columbia.

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EL PASO, TEXAS (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Texscan Corporation (NASDAQ:TXCND) Wednesday reported net income of $226,000, or $.10 per share, on revenues of $9,405,000 for the second fiscal quarter ended October 27, 1990.

The company reported net income of $435,000, or $.19 per share, on revenues of $12,483,000 for the three months ended October 28, 1989.

For the six months ended October 27, 1990, Texscan reported net income of $650,000, or $.29 per share, on revenues of $19,490,000, compared with net income of $574,000, or $.25 per share, on revenues of $23,633,000 for the six-month period ended October 28, 1989.

Commenting on the second quarter, Mr. William H. Lambert, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer noted, ''Our European fiber optic business has been performing well and European cable revenues and earnings are

strong; the North American cable television business is very soft. While our market share has remained relatively unchanged, all the North American cable television electronic suppliers have been adversely affected in the current market.''

The company said that as of October 27, 1990, it had more than $9 million in cash and equivalents, a current ratio of 4.5x and stockholders' equity per share of $5.01. Order backlog was approximately $7.6 million, basically unchanged from first quarter levels.

In the second quarter the company adjusted its cost infrastructure, realizing a nearly $1 million annualized reduction in employee expenses.

On October 31, 1990 the company effected a 1-for-5 reverse stock split; per share data for current and prior year reflects this reverse split.

Headquartered in El Paso, Texas, Texscan Corporation (NASDAQ:TXCND) is best known as a designer and manufacturer of a broad line of distribution and commercial insertion electronics for the cable television industry, as well as an integrator of large scale fiber optic systems in Europe.

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DAYTON, OH (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Mead Corp. (NYSE:MEA) announced Wednesday that James Van Vleck, senior vice president, International, will retire Dec. 31, following a 33-year career with the company.

Van Vleck's responsibilities in the international area will be assumed by Ronald F. Budzik, vice president, Government Affairs, who will fill the newly-created position of vice president, International and Government Affairs.

During his career with Mead, Van Vleck served in a number of key management positions, including group vice president, Corporate Staff; group vice president, Industrial Products; and vice president, Operational Planning. He has also held volunteer leadership positions in a variety of local, state and national organizations, and was selected Business Volunteer of the Year in 1985 by the National Alliance of Business.

Budzik joined Mead's Internal Audit department in 1963. He has held a variety of positions in the areas of government and community affairs, and became a

vice president of the corporation in 1983. In 1989-90, he served as national chairman of the Public Affairs Council.

Replacing Budzik as director, Government Affairs, will be T. A. (Pete) Dobrozsi. Currently manager, Corporate Real Estate, Dobrozsi joined Mead in 1985. He was previously manager of various government and community relations activities at Armco Inc. in Middletown, Ohio.

Mead Corp. is a leader in forest products and electronic publishing, headquartered in Dayton.

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LITTLETON, MA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Alliant Computer Systems Corp. (NASDAQ:ALNT) announced Wednesday it has elected Carl D. Carman as chairman of Alliant's board of directors.

Carman, a general partner of the Hill, Carman, Kirby & Washing venture capital firm, has been a director on Alliant's board since the company's inception in May 1982. He replaces Thomas J. Perkins who will remain on the board as a director. Perkins is stepping down as chairman for personal reasons.

Carman has 30 years of operational and venture capital experience with high technology companies. He participated in the funding of several high technology companies, including Alliant, Cadnetix Corp. and Graftek, Inc., both of Boulder, Colo.

Carman is a director of several additional high technology companies. These include SpectraLink Corp. in Boulder, Colo., specializing in wireless communications for voice and data; Outbound Systems Inc., also of Boulder, a manufacturer of enhancement products for Apple Computer Inc.'s MacIntosh products; Symantec Corp. of Cupertino, Calif., that builds personal computer-based productivity software; Microrim Inc. of Redmond, Wash. which developed a relational database management package for IBM personal computers and compatibles; and WaveFrame Corp. of Boulder, a manufacturer of computer-based digital audio equipment for music composition and performance.

Carman founded The Masters Fund, a $12 million venture capital firm specializing in ''seeding'' high technology industries, in 1983. He also served as executive vice president of NBI International, a Boulder-based office automation company. From 1973 to 1979, he was vice president of engineering for Data General Corp. where he directed the development and introduction of more than 100 products.

Before that, Carman served in various engineering and management positions at Inforex Inc. and IBM. He holds a B.S. degree in Engineering from the University of Kentucky.

Alliant Computer Systems Corp. manufactures standards-based parallel supercomputers with visualization tools that enable scientiests and engineers to quickly interpret and solve complex problems.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The organizers of the United Bank of Philadelphia, a black-controlled bank scheduled to open in early 1991, will hold a series of cityside community meetings to encourage support and secure the remaining start-up capital needed by December for the proposed financial institution.

Bank Chairman Emma C. Chappell, a professional with more than 30 years banking experience, will give a presentation to potential investors and discuss the bank's progress. United Bank organizers have received about $3 million in capital investments but need an additional $2 million in committed funds to begin operations.

Once opened, the institution will be the first black-controlled commercial bank in Philadelphia since 1956.

Investment forums are planned for: --South Philadelphia on Sunday, Dec. 2, 3 p.m., St. Simon the Cyrenian Church, 22nd & Reed streets

--West Philadelphia on Monday, Dec. 3, 6:30 p.m., Presbyterian Hospital, 38th & Powelton

--Northwest Philadelphia on Thursday, Dec. 6, 7 p.m., Grace United Methodist Church, 7101 N. 20th Street

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Stelway Food Services Inc. (VSE: SWF.V) Wednesday announced earnings for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

The result was an 368 percent increase in revenue over the like period in 1989. Net income for the nine month period in 1990 of $873,267 produced earnings of $0.339 per share after all expenses.

STATEMENT OF EARNINGS
9 MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30, 1990

	1990	1989
Franchise revenue	$ 2,398,922	$ 512,273
General & administrative expenses	1,151,398	199,119
	1,247,524	313,154
Income tax expense	374,257	68,893
Net income	$ 873,267	$ 244,261
Earnings per share	$ 0.339	$ 0.093

Commenting on the earnings, Wayne K. Hansen, president of Stelway Food Services stated, ''The promising returns in the third quarter are a clear indication of the growth of Stelway Food Services and the acceptance of 'Confucius Says TM' product across North America.''

Stelway Foods Services Inc. is owner and sole licensor of ''Confucius Says TM'', North America's largest Chinese Food home delivery franchise.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Philip Morris Companies Inc. Wednesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.43 a share on its common stock payable January 10, 1991 to stockholders of record as of December 17, 1990.

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MCLEAN, VA. (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp.'s Defense Systems unit and Energetics Satellite Corp. have teamed to build and operate a satellite system

offering commercial geolocational, messaging and remote equipment-monitoring services.

Unisys revenue from the 10-year, exclusive teaming agreement may exceed $250 million.

The system will provide substantially enhanced inventory management control to companies that own rental cars, railroad cars, trucks, railers, or container and cargo ships. Vehicle or vessel locations can be determined in two minutes and pinpointed within 50 feet for stationary objects. The direction of a moving object can be plotted every four to six minutes.

Additional applications include remote monitoring of utility lines and usage, petrochemical storage tank levels and pipeline flow, and similar field equipment or operations. Individuals could use the messaging service to report roadside or home emergencies and send for help.

Under the agreement just concluded, Unisys will design, develop, install and operate the system's ground stations. The computer corporation also will supply software, hardware and parallel processors for the Satellite Tracking Radiolocation and Communications system, or SAT/TRAC.

''This is the corporation's first commercial space project and one of the first commercial space ventures worldwide,'' said John B. Munson, vice president and general manager of the Unisys Space Systems Division (SSD), the operating unit of Unisys Defense Systems that has responsibility for the program.

Unisys Space Systems Division supplies software products, services and support for Space Shuttle and Space Station operations, Space Station Control Center development, Mission Control Center upgrades, and software product and quality assurance at the Johnson Space Center. The division also provides satellite control and supercomputer systems engineering.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Loral Corp. has announced that Richard W. Koepke has been named a group vice president reporting to Frank C. Lanza, president and chief operating officer of Loral Corp.

In his new position, Koepke will be responsible for four divisions in the company's newly formed Products Group -- Loral Information Display Systems in Atlanta, Ga.; Loral Control Systems, Archbald, Pa.; Loral Hycor, Woburn, Mass. and Loral Rolm Mil-Spec Computers, San Jose, Calif. He will be based in New

York City. The four divisions have annual revenues of approximately $150 million, primarily from airborne graphic display systems, instruments and controls for naval vessels, expendable countermeasures and mil-spec and rugged computers.

Koepke, 53, joined Loral in 1981 as vice president and general manager of Loral Electronic Systems in Atlanta. In 1984 Loral Information Display Systems was formed and Koepke was named president. Under his management, LIDS has tripled its annual revenues.

Koepke holds a bachelor's degree in mathematics and science from Memphis State University, as well as a bachelor's degree in aeronautical/mechanical engineering from the Air Force Institute of Technology. He grew up in Memphis Tenn., and spent eight years as an officer in the U.S. Air Force. He currently resides in Big Canoe, Ga., with his wife, Roxanne.

Walter Spuler, 55, vice president of product development for Loral Information Display Systems, will succeed Koepke as president of the division. Prior to joining Loral Corp. in 1985, Spuler spent 15 years with TRW Inc., where he was director of business development and senior program manager.

Spuler holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Northrop Institute of Technology and an MBA from the University of Northern Colorado. He currently resides in Norcross, Ga., with his wife Cynthia.

Loral Corp. is a high-technology company that concentrates in defense electronics and space communications.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert J. Stevens has been named vice president of finance and administration at Loral Systems Manufacturing Co. after having been director there since 1988.

He reports to Murray Silverman, president of the division.

In his new position, Stevens will be responsible for all the financial operations of the division, including accounting, contracts, government certifications of financial systems, and human resources.

Loral Systems Manufacturing Co. is dedicated to the production of the ALR-56M advanced radar warning receiver for the U.S. Air Force fleet of F-16 aircraft.

Stevens, 39, has been with Loral since 1987 and has held various positions,

including director, planning and control and director of operations for development programs at Loral Electronic Systems.

Stevens grew up in McKeesport, Pa. In 1976, after several years in the U.S. Marine Corps, he received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Behavorial Sciences from Slippery Rock University in Pennsylvania.

In 1984 he received a Master of Science Degree in Industrial Engineering from the Polytechnic University of New York and in 1987 a Master of Science in Business Policy while attending the Master Degree Program for Executives at Columbia University's Graduate School of Business.

Loral Corp. is a high technology company that concentrates in defense electronics and space communications.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Drexler Technology Corp. (NASDAQ:DRXR) has received the $9 million front-end cash payment under an optical card manufacturing license agreement announced on Nov. 13.

The nonexclusive, royalty-bearing license agreement was subject to foreign regulatory approvals, which were obtained sooner than anticipated. Drexler also received a $1 million U.S. income tax credit because of the 10 percent Japanese withholding tax on the $10 million license fee.

The company will record the $10 million license revenue in the current third quarter ended Dec. 31, 1990, which will result in a net profit for the quarter and the fiscal year.

The licensee is a new Japanese corporation established by four Japanese companies who last week publicly forecast a $750 million to $1.5 billion worldwide optical memory card market in 1995.

Using this market forecast as a guide, the estimated royalties to Drexler Technology under its seven royalty-bearing licenses could be in the range of $22 million per year in 1995. This royalty estimate assumes that the worldwide market for optical cards and related reader/writers in 1995 would be $750 million at the wholesale level.

The newly licensed company was formed in Japan on Nov. 19, 1990 by Dai Nippon Printing Co. Ltd., Olympus Optical Co. Ltd., Omron Corp. and Nippon Conlux Co. Ltd.

The optical cards will be manufactured by Dai Nippon Printing Co. The other three companies manufacture optical memory card read/write equipment under separate, royalty-bearing licenses from Drexler.

These three companies are expected to commit to major production of reader/writers, which should lower prices of reader/writers and increase their availability, thereby accelerating market expansion.

Drexler's card-related revenues are derived from three business sectors: license fees and royalties; the manufacture of LaserCard optical memory cards; and systems integration and software. The new license is expected to stimulate industry growth, resulting in greater earnings potential for Drexler.

Optical memory cards are credit-card sized data storage devices containing approximately 3 megabytes of digital information that can be written and/or read by computer peripherals. The cards function as a portable information file -- for example, a medical history card carried by patients and updated at doctors' offices.

Drexler Technology Corp. is headquartered in Mountain View. At Sept. 30, 1990 the company had 6,914,615 shares of common stock outstanding.

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PERTH AMBOY, NJ (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Bankers Corp. (NASDAQ:BKCO), the parent company of Banker Savings, announced Wednesday that all required federal and state regulatory approvals have been received for the purchase of five retail banking offices in Ocean and Monmouth counties from Carteret Savings Bank, FA, headquartered in Morristown.

Bankers Savings will acquire Carteret's branch offices and savings deposits in Freehold, Hazlet, Matawan, Bricktown and Toms River, N.J.

The acquisition is expected to be consummated Dec. 17, 1990.

Bankers Savings, with assets in excess of $942 million at Sept. 30, 1990, currently has six offices, all of which are located in Middlesex County.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced telecommunications facilities and services stimulate the revitalization or rural communities in the United States.

That is the conclusion of a study submitted by the United States Telephone Association to the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) on Oct. 30. ''Telecommunications and Rural Economic Development'', prepared by MESA Consulting, examines network modernization initiatives undertaken by independent telephone companies to spur economic development in rural areas.

The study concludes that an advanced telecommunications infrastructure attracts new businesses to rural areas, boosts the competitiveness of firms already located in those areas, and diversifies the economic base of rural communities. Network modernization also enhances the quality of rural life by upgrading local health care, education, and social services.

The USTA study looks at rural telecommunications applications in Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, Ohio, Tennessee, and other states. In many of these cases independent telephone companies are forming strategic alliances with community groups and state and local institutions to upgrade rural networks to digital capacity.

Spotlighted in the report are efforts by independent telephone consortia in Iowa, Minnesota, and Kansas to construct fiber-optic systems which enable rural users to access a host of sophisticated communications services. Fiber-optic networks are also at the center of efforts by public institutions in Texas and Kansas to provide rural citizens with quality education and health care services via two-way interactive video technology.

Although other countries may be pursuing rural network modernization more aggresively than the United States, the study is optimistic that advanced network facilities and services will soon be widely available to subscribers in rural America. Two factors are key to this process; progressive state regulatory policies that encourage local exchange carriers to provide digital and fiber-optic capabilities in their service areas, and the presence of motivated ''local heroes'' committed to improving their communities. These local heroes share a vision that telecommunications is critical to helping rural communities preserve their treasured lifestyle by overcoming geographic isolation, stemming outmigration, and reversing economic decline.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Wells-Gardner Electronics Corp. Wednesday announced it completed the sale of its discontinued power supply business to James Electronics, Chicago, on Nov. 16. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed. Previously, the company announced it had entered into a Letter of Intent to sell this business to James Electronics. Wells-Gardner Electronics Corp. designs and manufactures electronic products which are marketed both domestically and internationally. Its major products are video monitors for the data display and gaming industries.

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LAGUARDIA AIRPORT, NY (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - In response to an inquiry from The New York Stock Exchange concerning unusual activity in its stock, FlightSafety International (NYSE:FSI) stated that it had no knowledge of any business developments that would account for such activity.

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WOODBURY, NY (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Millfeld Trading Co. Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SHOE, SHOEW,SHOEZ) Wednesday announced operating results for the quarter and nine months ended October 31, 1990.

Net income for the three months ended Oct. 31 increased 471 percent to $727,168 compared to $127,324 for the same period last year. NEt income for the nine months ended Oct. 31, increased 187 percent to $1,828,343 compared to $637,342 for the 1989 period.

Millfeld also reported increases in sales of 131 percent for the quarter and 67 percent for the nine months compared to the 1989 periods.

Millfeld's new Team Sport Footwear line introduced in the second half of last year accounted for sales of $5,521,598 for the quarter and $9,758,205 for the nine months compared to $321,410 sales for the comparable periods last year.

Millfeld's recently acquired subsidiary, Bright Star Footwear Inc., accounted for 16 percent and 10 percent of revenues for the quarter and year to date respectively. Results include Bright Star from June 1, 1990 only.

Primary and fully diluted earnings per share were 22 cents for the quarter on 4,363,950 weighted average shares outstanding, and 50 cents for the nine months on 3,923,380 weighted average shares outstanding.

Primary earnings per share for the prior year were 7 cents in the three months and 35 cents in the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1989. IN both 1989 periods, when the company was privately held, there were 1,850,000 shares outstanding.

Millfeld recently announced that it had extended the period of its recent warrant exchange offer to Dec. 31. Under this offer, warrant holders who exercise their $6 warrants expiring Jan. 31, 1994 before Dec. 31, 1990 will receive one new common share plus one new warrant exercisable at $10 per share until July 22, 1992.

Millfeld Trading Co. Inc. designs, markets and distributes a wide variety of footwear including a product line bearing the ''No Excuses'' label and the recently introduced Team Sport Footwear line bearing the logos of various NFL, NHL and college sports teams.

Bright Star Footwear Inc. designs, markets and distributes a wide variety of workboots, hiking shoes and men's leisure shoes.

The company recently reported that it had concluded an agreement with Kenner Products to act as exclusive footwear licensee for Kenner's Play-Doh brand name and that it had been seleted by Fila Athletic Footwear to supply footwear from the Far East.

The company also owns Parigi, an established brand of cold weather footwear.

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MEDFORD, MASS. (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Regional Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:REGB) announced a quarterly cash dividend on its outstanding common stock of $.15 per share.

This, the company's thirteenth consecutive dividend, will be payable on Jan.

15, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 14, 1990.

Regional Bancorp Inc. is the holding company for Medford Savings Bank, a Massachusetts-chartered savings bank, with total assets of approximately $500 million. The bank offers a wide variety of services to both business and retail customers throughout eastern Massachusetts from eight retail banking locations north of Boston.

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KENILWORTH, NJ (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Harmonia Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ:HBCI) the parent company of Harmonia Savings Bank, announced Wednesday that its Board of Directors has set December 28, 1990 as the payment date for its fourth quarter dividend.

The cash dividend of 7-1/2 cents per share on the company's common stock is payable to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 14, 1990.

Walter D. Tombs, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, stated that the dividend policy is reviewed regularly, and the Board will consider increases as conditions permit.

Through its subsidiary, Harmonia Savings Bank, Harmonia Bancorp, Inc. operates 20 offices in five central New Jersey counties. Organized in 1851, Harmonia provides traditional savings bank products and services complemented by multifamily residential loans and home equity lending.

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BATON ROUGE, LA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of United Companies Financial Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:UNCF) declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 15 cents per share.

The cash dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of common stock of record at the close of business on Dec. 11, 1990.

United Companies is a Louisiana based financial services holding company engaged primarily in the business of life insurance, mortgage lending and mortgage servicing.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Global Government Plus Fund Inc. - November 1990 Monthly update Investment adviser commentary

- Global bond markets performed extremely well in October, as evidenced by the 4.52 percent return of the Salomon Brothers World Bond Index. The fund, benefitting from its large exposure to Japan, returned 5.30 percent for the month on a gross basis.

- The Federal Reserve eased monetary policy after Congress passed the new budget. In response, the U.S. dollar suffered steep declines against many major currencies, especially the yen. In dollar terms, Japanese bonds returned 12.04 percent for the month.

- Higher interest rates overseas may lead to additional weakness in the U.S. dollar. Accordingly, the fund has underweighted (39.6 percent) U.S. bonds relative to the Salomon World Index weighting of 51.3 percent. Instead, the fund manager favors Canada where lower inflation makes yields more attractive than U.S. yields.

- The fund continues to avoid the German bond market due to the large supply of bonds issued to finance unification. By comparison, the Dutch bond market has attractive yields and does not suffer from an oversupply.

- The fund maintains only a small exposure to the U.K. bond market in light of its high inflation. Despite joining the exchange rate mechanism of the EMS and cutting interest rates, British gilts are not competitive with bonds in continental Europe.

- Ireland and Denmark are high yielding markets that do not suffer from strong inflation and slow growth that plague the U.K.

- The fund adviser has written puts on some bonds and will increase option writing should war become imminent.

- Until the Persian Gulf crisis is resolved, the adviser will exercise caution in view of both exchange-rate and interest-rate risk.

The Global Government Plus Fund Inc. is a closed-end investment company that

invests in debt securities issued or guaranteed by governments, semi-governmental entities, government agencies, supranational entities, and other governmental entities in the United States and in 20 other major countries and denominated in the currencies of such countries.

The fund's manager is Prudential Mutual Fund Management Inc. and investmen advisory services are provided by The Prudential Investment Corp. Additional information on the fund's assets and performance is contained in the semi-annual report for the six months ended June 30, 1990. For further information on the fund call, 212/214-3332.

CONTACT: The Global Government Plus Fund Inc., New York
212/214-3332

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ASTORIA, NY - (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Atratech Inc. (NASDAQ:ATRA) announced Wednesday its operating results for the quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30.

Earned revenue totalled $5,418,036 and $12,063,438 for the quarter and nine months, up 597 percent and 358 percent from $777,255 and $2,633,222 in the comparable 1989 periods. Net income of $635,030 and $1,338,660 increased from $53,284 and $77,930 (E.P.S. of 8 cents and 17 cents vs. nil and nil) in the 1989 periods.

In commenting on these results of operations, Vincent Sorena, CEO, said, ''We are extremely gratified by the results reported during these periods. The company is seeing and bidding on many projects and, as of September 30, 1990 had a backlog in excess of $21,000,000.''

Atratech Inc. is a New York based firm engaged in the business of providing mechanical contracting services including plumbing, heating and process piping for commercial and municipal customers.

For further informationa, contact Vincent Sorena, CEO at 718/545-9600.

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Vincent Sorena, 718/545-9600

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MEXICO D.F. (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Banco Nacional de Comercio Exterior S.N.C. (BANCOMEXT), Mexico's Eximbank, and Barclays Bank PLC (Barclays) Wednesday announced that they have signed an export finance agreement for Barclays to provide funding for the receivables of Mexican companies who export products to the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico.

The facilities will be provided by Barclays' Miami office through a receivables financing arrangement with Barclays Commercial Corp., the bank's factoring subsidiary based in Charlotte, N.C. The announcement was made by Dr. Humberto Soto Rodriguez, director general of BANCOMEXT and Gonzalo Valdes-Fauli, executive vice president, International Banking Group, of Barclays Bank PLC.

The initial amount available under this agreement is U.S. $50 million and additional funds may be made available at a later date.

The facility enables Mexican exporters to receive funding for their term export sales upon presentation of documentation to the Sociedades Nacionales de Credito (S.N.C.s), Mexico's commercial banks.

BANCOMEXT, based in Mexico City, with U.S. $8.8 billion in assets and U.S. $1 billion in capital, is a Mexican credit association and development bank founded on June 8, 1937. It is the Mexican government's coordinating agency in charge of granting promotional and financial support to both the exporters and importers in Mexico.

With 37 promotional foreign offices around the world, BANCOMEXT operates as a wholesale bank through the commercial banks in Mexico.

Headquartered in London, Barclays Bank PLC, which traces its history back to the 17th century, ranks as one of the world's leading banking groups. With U.S. $203 billion in assets and some U.S. $15 billion in capital (year-end 1989), it is one of the few major banking institutions to receive a Triple-A rating from both Standard & Poor's Corp. and Moody's Investors Service.

The bank maintains a network spanning over 70 countries.

Barclays Commercial Corp. was established in 1946. Based in Charlotte, N.C., with regional offices in Dallas; Louisville, Ky.; New York and Los Angeles, it is one of the largest factoring companies in the United States.

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WAYNE, NJ (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - American Cyanamid Co. stated Wednesday that a lawsuit filed by Mylan Pharmaceuticals Inc., against Cyanamid's Lederle

Laboratories Division is totally without merit.

The suit, filed on November 20, contends that Lederle had failed to perform certain obligations under its agreement with Myaln involving Maxzide triamterene/hydrochlorothiazide, a leading potassium-sparing diuretic.

Maxzide and its distinctive ''bow tie'' tablet shape are registered trademarks of American Cyanamid Co.

Cyanamid further stated that Mylan's claims are unfounded. Lederle has unequivocally met all contractual obligations to Mylan. The Mylan allegation that Lederle is not maximizing sales of Maxzide - thus limiting its own profit potential - is absurd.

In fact, in its 1988 Annual Report to shareholders, Mylan itself reported that Maxzide ''is enjoying consistent growth and continues to penetrate the SmithKline Dyazide market.''

Lederle's investment in Maxzide has benefitted Mylan greatly, contributing a significant percentage of Mylan's consolidated net sales and profits. Since 1984, Lederle has paid Mylan in excess of $100 million in connection with Maxzide.

Despite generic competition for Maxzide and declining market potential for diuretics generally, Lederle has achieved outstanding results in terms of both net sales and market share.

In fact, in 1990, Maxzide perscription market share has increased while the market demand for diuretics overall continues to decline. Futhermore, generic substitution for Maxzide has decreased in 1990.

Since the Maxzide introduction in November 1984, Lederle Laboratories has invested substantial financial and human resources and expertise to establish Maxzide as a leading potassium-sparing diuretic.

Lederle has informed physicians about the significant benefits of Maxzide in clinical practice, based on the results of clinical research, including Lederle-sponsored studies involving thousands of patients.

American Cyanamid Co. is a research-based biotechnology and chemical company which develops proprietary medical, agricultural, and chemical products and manufactures and markets them throughout the world.

CONTACT: American Cyanamid Co., Wayne
Jeff Hoyak, 201/831-4619

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NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - The Louisiana Land and Exploration Co. (NYSE:LLX) (''LL&E'') Wednesday announced U.K. Department of Energy approval of the East Brae Plan of Development.

LL&E, through its wholly owned subsidiary LL&E (U.K.) Inc., has a 5.886 percent interest in this significant gas/condensate field located in the U.K. sector of the North Sea.

Below is an excerpt from a press release issued by Marathon Oil U.K. Ltd., operator of the property:

''East Brae is located in Blocks 16/3a and 16/3b, some 165 miles northeast of Aberdeen. East Brae is a gas condensate field and will be produced by gas cycling, an enhanced recovery method first applied in the North Sea at the Brae Group's North Brae field.

''East Brae field reserves are estimated at more than 300 million barrels of liquid hydrocarbons and 1.5 trillion cubic feet of gas. First production is planned for December 1993 and liquid production is expected to peak at more than 100,000 barrels of condensate per day in 1995.

''Gas sales from the Brae area as a whole are scheduled to begin around the end of 1993 or early 1994 and production is expected to continue beyond the year 2010. Gas will be exported through the SAGE line to St. Fergus in Scotland. The SAGE System is 50 percent owned by the Brae Group, and is currently under construction.''

LL&E previously announced that it owns a 2.943 percent interest in the Scottish Area Gas Evacuation (SAGE) System.

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Suzanne Baer, 504/566-6888

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BEDMINSTER, NJ (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - NUI Corp. (NYSE:NUI) Wednesday reported net income for the 1990 fiscal year, which ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $8,719,000, or $1.42 per share, on revenues of $296.0 million.

Income for the 1989 fiscal year excluding a one-time change in accounting for unbilled revenues was $7,214,000, or $1.39 per share, on revenues of $265.5 million. Per share results are based on 6,121,000 shares in fiscal 1990 and 5,173,000 shares in fiscal 1989, reflecting the effect of a 1 million share public offering completed in the fiscal 1989 fourth quarter.

Net income in fiscal 1989 was $8,407,000, or $1.63 per share, including the

one-time accounting change which increased fiscal 1989 net income by $1,193,000, or 24 cents per share.

NUI Corp., headquartered in Bedminster, is an exempt public utility holding company engaged in the distribution of natural gas to approximately 300,000 customers in New Jersey and Florida.

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JASPER, AL (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - First Federal of Alabama, F.S.B. (NASDAQ/NMS:FFAL) Wednesday announced that the board of directors has declared a dividend of 10 cents per share, payable Dec. 21, 1990, to stockholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

Commenting on the anouncement Al H. Simmons, chairman and president, said: ''I am pleased to report that First Federal is again able to pay a cash dividend to its stockholders.

''The decision to resume paying a cash dividend reflects the progress the bank has made during the last several quarters. First Federal is in sound finacial condition with over $12 million in capital and we remain optimistic about our future,'' Simmons concluded.

The common stock of First Federal of Alabama, F.S.B. is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FFAL.

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Albert H. Simmons, 205/221-4111

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint and Cable & Wireless Wednesday announced that Canadian carriers Teleglobe and Unitel have agreed to market the world's first Global Virtual Private Network.

Global Virtual Private Network was developed by US Sprint and Cable & Wireless and was demonstrated last May at ICA in New Orleans. Since that time, Global Virtual Private Network has been successfully tested with customers.

The agreement extends the network that already exists between the United

States, United Kingdom and Hong Kong, offering six additional route permutations to Global Virtual Private Network customers.

Negotiations are continuing with other major carriers including Telecom Ireland, International Digital Communications (IDC) of Japan and PTT Telecom Netherlands and further announcements are expected soon.

Teleglobe Canada will be the exclusive Canadian participant in the provision, planning and development of the international Global Virtual Private Network service. Unitel, a Canadian domestic carrier will sign with US Sprint and Cable & Wireless to become a provider for Canada-U.S. and the Canadian domestic Global Virtual Private Network service.

''It is a unique product in that it offers the only truly global virtual private network with the same service available to customers around the world '' says Wayne Hart, director of Market Development at Teleglobe.

Global Virtual Private Network was publicly demonstrated for the first time in the United Kingdom by Cable & Wireless subsidiary Mercury Communications Ltd. at the Telecommunications Managers Association exhibition in Brighton between Nov. 26-28. The live demonstration linked the exhibition with Hong Kong and US Sprint headquarters in Kansas City, Missouri.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint, with the United States' only nationwide all-digital, fiber-optic network, provides a comprehensive array of global voice, data and video communications products and services.

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or
US Sprint, Washington
Janis Langley, 202/828-7427; after 7 p.m. 703/533-3322

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MURRAY HILL, NJ (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - C. R. Bard, Inc. (NYSE-BCR) and Baxter Healthcare Corporation announced Wednesday their intent to enter into a manufacturing agreement for urological products.

Under terms of the agreement, Bard Urological Division would become the supplier of the Baxter line of urological products currently manufactured by Baxter's Pharmaseal Division.

The products will be manufactured by Bard to meet Baxter specifications. They will include certain Baxter-designed and manufactured components, including

Foley catheters.

Baxter's Hospital Supply Division will sell the products under the Baxter label. Transition of the manufacturing to Bard facilities is expected to begin in the first quarter of 1991.

Bard believes the agreement provides maximum use of its equipment and facilities, while continuing to maintain a high level of brand distinction in the marketplace.

The Company will continue to market its Bard line of urological products manufactured to Bard specifications.

C. R. Bard, Inc., headquartered in Murray Hill, is a leading multinational developer, manufacturer and marketer of health careproducts.

CONTACT: C.R. Bard Inc., Murray Hill
George A. Davis, 201/277-8313

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WAYNE, PA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - ECC International Corp. (NYSE:ECC) announced that the board of directors has declared the regular quarterly dividend of five cents per common share, payable Jan. 18, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 21, 1990.

ECC International Corp. is a world leader in the design, research and production of simulators and related training programs for crew, operator and maintenance training.

Through its headquarters and Instructional Systems Development Group in Wayne; its Systems Design and Production Center in Orlando, Fla.; and through a wholly owned subsidiary, ECC Simulation Limited in Shoreham, England, the company provides a wide range of products and services used by all branches of the U.S. Department of Defense and by armed forces in 25 foreign countries.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Seal-Jet USA Inc., one of Atlanta's fastest-growing companies, will celebrate the grand opening of its new 8,000

square foot expansion at noon on Nov. 30.

This adddition to Seal-Jet's present 7,000 square foot headquarters is a tribute to Jonesboro, Ga., native Jerry D. Whitlock, one of Atlanta's rising stars in a growing group of local entrepreneurs successfully expanding home-grown enterprises onto the international business scene.

Whitlock, president of Seal-Jet USA Inc., and company Chairman Helmut Mayerhofer, have combined over 40 years of experience in the seal industry to create Seal-Jet, which experienced a 250 percent growth rate in fiscal year 1989-90 and projects a 500 percent growth rate in fiscal 1990-91.

This explosive success is based on a revolutionary manufacturing method discovered by Austrian Helmut Mayerhofer that produces hydraulic, pneumatic and rotary seals without the use of molds, allowing for dramatic reductions in production time, labor costs and inventory overhead.

Seal-Jet employs 100 people nationwide and plans to have a 54-branch marketing manufacturing and service network coast-to-coast by August 1991. To date, 25 outlets have opened.

Grand opening festivities will include comments by area dignitaries, including the Honorable Jerry Stubbs, chairman of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners. A tour of the Seal-Jet operation at 1560 Commercial Ct. (off Highway 1941) in Jonesboro will follow lunch.

CONTACT: CWD Inc., Atlanta
Clarice Weskel-Dowdle, 404/956-1484

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MEMPHIS, TENN. (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Seven Oaks International Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:QPON) Wednesday announced that M.E. Bond, age 51, has been elected a director to fill the unexpired term of A.M. Sackett, who resigned last month.

Bond's current term of service as a director will extend until the annual meeting of shareholders in 1992. Seven Oaks' board of directors presently consists of seven directors who are divided into three classes which serve for staggered three-year terms.

Frank J. Donato, chief executive officer, said that the election of Bond followed the unanimous decision of a special committee of directors appointed to recommend a nominee to fill the vacant position.

He remarked: ''We believe M.E. Bond's background in finance and economics, as

well as his position as an outside director, will contribute importantly to the work of the board. We look forward to his participation as a director and to his counsel about the future direction for Seven Oaks.''

M.E. Bond currently holds the position of Professor of Finance and Economics at Memphis State University. His professional training was received at the University of Iowa. He has also held faculty positions at Arizona State University and The University of Iowa. Bond has published a number of articles dealing with finance and economics in various professional publications.

During his academic career, Bond has served as a classroom instructor as well as a university administrator. He has also served as a consultant and consulting lecturer to both corporations and government units. Prior to starting his academic work, Bond was employed in the banking industry.

Seven Oaks International operates as a clearinghouse between retailers and product manufacturers in processing cents-off coupons. The company's common shares are traded over-the-counter under the National Market System symbol QPON.

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Frank J. Donato, 901/683-7055

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WALTHAM, MA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - SofTech Inc. (OTC:SOFT) announced that its second quarter earnings will be adversely affected as a result of a one-time pre-tax charge to expense of $2,900,000 to provide for the company's excess office space lease commitment in Alexandria, Va.

The excess space results from the expiration of a large sublease in November. The amount of the charge was determined on the basis of subtenant prospects and expected market lease rates in the generally poor leasing market in the Washington D.C. area.

Beyond the one-time impact of the write-off, SofTech does not expect that this will have any ongoing impact on SofTech's business. SofTech has ample cash reserves and resources to provide for operating needs. The DoD niches which form the basis of SofTech's government business are areas that are expected to retain strong support in future Defense budgets.

Information Decisions Inc., SofTech's principal commercial business acquired in April 1990, continues to grow and operate profitably.

Founded in 1969, SofTech Inc. is a publicly-held company providing software design and development, systems engineering, and integration services to government agencies and commercial companies. Headquartered in Waltham, Mass.,

the company employs over 600 people in 18 locations throughout the United States.

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Douglas R. Potter, 617/890-6900

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SPRINGFIELD, MA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Monarch Capital Corp. (MCC) (NYSE:MON) announced that MCC and Monarch Life have Wednesday entered into a ''standstill'' agreement with the banks that are party to MCC's primary credit agreement and Monarch Life's financing agreement.

Pursuant to the standstill agreement, the banks have agreed that, until Dec. 31, 1990, with respect to certain existing defaults under the credit and financing agreements and subject to certain terms and conditions, they will not take any actions to enforce their rights to payment.

Under the standstill agreement, the currently outstanding $159 million receivable owed by MCC to Monarch Life will be reduced by the transfer by MCC to Monarch Life, or or about Nov. 28, 1990, of MCC's interest in certain entities, with an estimated aggregate value of $60 million.

In addition, Monarch Life will proceed toward consummating its previously announced reinsurance agreement with certain Merrill Lynch life insurance companies, which is subject to certain regulatory reviews. Pursuant to the standstill agreement, Monarch Life has declared a $25 million dividend, payable following consummation of the indemnity portion of the reinsurance agreement and the satisfaction of certain other conditions, including the approval of the Massachusetts Insurance Commissioner.

The dividend will be immediately applied by MCC to reduce a portion of the outstanding principal amount owed the banks that are party to MCC's primary credit agreement.

The standstill agreement further requires an additional payment of $14 million of principal under MCC's primary credit agreement to be made with the proceeds of the sale of certain computer assets by certain subsidiaries of MCC in connection with the Merrill Lynch reinsurance agreement.

MCC also expects, pursuant to the standstill agreement, to enter into negotiations to amend certain of the terms of its primary credit agreement, to establish a new revolving credit facility under the credit agreement for up to $14 million to be used to pay working capital needs and to provide for further principal payments in the amount of $100 million (in addition to the $25 million payment described above) by Dec. 31, 1991.

As previously announced, the reinsurance agreement between Monarch Life and certain Merrill Lynch life insurance companies is expected to provide a ceding commission to Monarch Life based on the covered policies in force as of the closing date of the transaction. Had the transaction been consummated on Sept. 30, 1990, the initial ceding commission would have been approximately $86 million.

Monarch Capital Corp. is a financial services company that designs disability income insurance and variable life insurance and annuity products. These products are distributed through a network of other financial service firms in regional and national markets.

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RICHARDSON, TX (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - CompuTrac Inc. (AMEX:LLB) Wednesday announced a 64 percent increase in operating revenues resulting in net income of $236,417 for the third quarter ending October 1990.

Quarterly operating revenues were $3,299,255, compared with $2,015,595 in the prior year's third quarter. Operating income totaled $282,797 in the quarter compared with operating income of $140,152 in the comparable prior period. Pre-tax income closed at $353,417, up from pre-tax income of $181,640.

After a provision for income taxes of $117,000 in the current quarter, net income was $236,417, or 4 cents a share, compared with net income of $121,640, or 2 cents a share, in the comparable prior quarter after a provision for income taxes totaling $60,000. There were 5,909,076 weighted average primary shares outstanding vs. 5,889,155 in the prior quarter.

For the nine-months, operating revenues declined 24 percent to $7,586,354 from $9,994,671 in the prior year's comparable period. The pre-tax loss for the period was $137,017 vs. pre-tax earnings of $1,989,029. The net loss for the nine-month period was $153,017, or 3 cents a share, compared with net income of $1,333,029, or 22 cents a share, in the prior period.

CompuTrac Inc. develops, markets, services and supports integrated turnkey computer systems designed specifically for the legal profession and information retrieval systems for general corporate use.

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BETHESDA, MD (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Survival Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:SURV) Wednesday announced that it has received additional orders with a ceiling price of $11.8 million from the United States Department of Defense (DoD) for the production of its Mark I Nerve Gas Antidote Kits.

The DoD has exercised the right to purchase this quantity under a previously announced letter contract. A company spokesman explained that under DoD regulations, letter contracts serve to expedite the commencement of deliveries until pricing and other final terms are negotiated. Production of the additional quantities will begin immediately and are expected to be completed in this fiscal year.

The company's military automatic injectors are intended to be used by military personnel for the self-administration, under combat conditions, of antidotes against the effects of chemical warfare.

The Mark I Antidote Kit consists of two injectors: (1) the AtroPen, Auto-Injector, filled with atropine, which counteracts the effect of the nerve agent, and (2) the ComboPen Auto-Injector, filled with pralidoxime chloride, which helps restore the normal functioning of the body, allowing the soldier to leave the area for possible further treatment.

Survival Technology Inc. provides pharmaceutical delivery systems and cardiac monitoring services for the treatment of emergency medical problems.

CONTACT: Survival Technology Inc., Bethesda
James H. Miller, 301/656-5600

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OAKLAND, CA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Kaiser Permanente, the nation's largest American health maintenance and group practice medical care organization, and Agfa Corp.'s medical diagnostic imaging division, Agfa Matrix, will launch an innovative radiology management program beginning Jan. 1, 1991.

The announcement was made Wednesday by William Sheehy, director of purchasing of Kaiser Permanente, Medical Care Program, Southern California Region. The value of the program is estimated in excess of $60 million.

''We're delighted to be able to initiate such an innovative management program for all our healthecare facilities,'' said Sheehy. ''With this plan, we can improve productivity, as well as increase efficiency in all our radiology departments.''

The program, called ''Radiology Management By Objective'' will focus on making all Kaiser Permanente radiology departments highly efficient with the help of

Agfa Matrix equipment. Agfa Matrix Division manufactures imagers and networking devices designed to increase the productivity of medical diagnostic scanners. The program also furnishes Kaiser Permanente with Agfa film, equipment, accessories, and support staff and services necessary for efficient management of radiology departments.

Kaiser Permanente is a group practice prepayment plan providing comprehensive medical and hospital services to more than 6.3 million voluntarily enrolled members in 12 regions in Northern and Southern California, Colorado, Hawaii, Ohio, Oregon/Washington, Texas, Connecticut/New York/Massachusetts, North Carolina, Georgia, Kansas/Missouri, and the Washington, D.C./Virginia/Maryland area. Each of the program's established regions is a federally qualified health maintenance organization or HMO.

Agfa Corporation's Matrix Division, headquartered in Orangeburg, N.Y., designs manufactures and markets medical and industrial diagnostic imaging systems, non-destructive testing systems and business information systems for healthcare, hospital, business management, and industrial design and maintenance professionals.

Two other divisions of Agfa Corp. are Agfa Photo (photographic and cine films, papers, chemistry and processing equipment) and Agfa Compugraphic (electronic and photographic prepress systems). Agfa Corp., the imaging company of Bayer USA Inc. (the management holding company of Bayer AG, West Germany), employs more than 5,000 people and has sales of about $1 billion.

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Tom Colucci, 201/440-2500
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Ruder-Finn Inc., New York
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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Bank (NASDAQ/NMS:UBNK) today (Wednesday, November 28, 1990) announced a cash dividend of 35 cents per share of common stock for the fourth quarter of 1990, unchanged from the third quarter.

The dividend will be paid on January 11, 1991, to shareholders of record as of December 14, 1990.

Union Bank, with assets of $16.7 billion, has 32.2 million shares of common stock outstanding. The bank has 179 offices throughout California and five overseas facilities. It is the fifth largest commercial bank in the state.

CONTACT: Union Bank, San Francisco

Peggy Aulisio, 415/445-0854.

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VIENNA, VA (NOV. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Routing Technology Software Inc. (RTSI) has unveiled its first 33 MHZ, 486-based ROADSHOW system workstations at Continental Baking Corp. (CBC).

The new 486-based workstations will provide greater speed and capacity for determining least-cost delivery routes over broad geographic regions of the United States.

''We are very anxious to use this new 486 machine. It will give us the capacity we need to handle our branches that exceed 2,500 customers,'' stated John Thompson, the ROADSHOW implementation project manager at CBC.

Over the past two years CBC, one of the largest bakeries in the United States, has implemented new delivery routes across the country using the ROADSHOW routing and scheduling system. Currently, CBC is using multiple ROADSHOW systems at facilities across the United States to determine more efficient and balanced routes and to maintain customer service levels.

The PC-based ROADSHOW system analyzes information about the bakery's distribution process and uses proprietary video routing technology to calculate the most cost-effective routes and schedules for pickup and delivery.

The ROADSHOW system features full-color images of commercial maps displayed on a high resolution monitor. These familiar, real maps enable dispatchers to use the system easily and assures routing accuracy.

RTSI specializes in the development and application of PC-based vehicle routing systems. Since its introduction in 1987, the ROADSHOW system has been licensed at over 100 sites worldwide in industries ranging from foodservice, beverage, and newspapers to armored cars, bakery, and tobacco.

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Claudia McIlwain, 703/356-9797.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Nostalgia Network Inc.(TICKER: NNET).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,154,872	$1,053,189
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(892,230)	$(637,911)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.11)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,199,623	5,747,975

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,838,448	$4,921,861
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,571,381	$2,018,983

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by IVCI Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,534	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(181,045)	$(113,118)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,925,000	3,925,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,407,137	$2,600,341
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,783,876	$1,964,921

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise.

It only recently commenced the sale of its food products through its first

Fitness Cafe, and has generated only nominal operating income to date.

The company's address is P.O. Box 810004, Boca Raton, FL 33481.

Its telephone number is (407) 750-9691.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Financial Corp.(TICKER: FFHC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$4,196,000	$3,258,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.73	$0.57

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,216,948,000	$2,456,695,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$146,001,000	$137,081,000

-30- 812

#90332c0005 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Long Island City Financial Corp.(TICKER: LICF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$960,733	$893,485
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.35	$0.33

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$334,269,661	$335,730,986

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$76,968,721	$74,316,445

-30- 820

#90332c0007 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Partners Oil Co.(TICKER: PARO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,145,992	$207,066
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(114,342)	$(234,077)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.10)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$11,942,456	$5,766,998
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,583,459	$2,281,317

-30- 991

#90332c0008 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Security Financial Holding Co.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$635,334	$435,912
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.53	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$268,364,540	$235,390,779
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$27,131,722	$14,482,861

-30- 811
#90332c0009 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Cantel Industries Inc.(TICKER: CATL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$45,143,000	$48,667,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(2,750,000)	$(7,246,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(5,697,000)	$(8,455,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(4.07)	$(6.05)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,398,149	1,398,149

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$21,053,000	$27,583,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(5,443,000)	$106,000

-30- 1123
#90332c0010 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Energy Ventures Inc.(TICKER: ENGY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$38,666,000	$26,812,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,404,000	$432,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.13	$0.05
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,812,000	9,268,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$115,523,000	$94,718,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$48,684,000	$26,455,000

-30- 1072

#90332c0011 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Scientific Industries Inc.(TICKER: SCND).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$493,600	$558,900
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$9,800	$22,600
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.03

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$789,200	$815,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$532,200	$522,400

-30- 994

#90332c0012 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by T.H. Lehman & Co.(TICKER: THLM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$249,573	$43,277
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(608,710)	$(40,241)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.23)	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,684,819	$4,560,515
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,664,224	$3,480,389

-30- 991

#90332c0013 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Empire-Orr Inc.(TICKER: EORR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,011,179	$7,388,409
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(36,217)	$(102,257)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(910,729)	(80,754)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,276,800	8,747,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$19,420,764	$19,838,845
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,605,180	$5,680,579

-30- 1060

#90332c0016 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

(NOV. 28) UPI - U.S. Durable Goods Orders were reported up 3.6 percent in October.

-30- 223

#90332c0017 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following issue will be deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 28 due to its being acquired by Taunton Technologies Inc.:

VISX Inc. (VISX)

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 27 due to an insufficient number of regular market makers - security never quoted (stk div):

Healthcare Compare Corp - WI (HCCCV)
RPM Inc - WI (RPOWV)

-30- 536
#90332c0018 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following issue will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 28:

Taunton Technologies Inc. (TTEK) to VISX Inc. (Delaware) (VISXD)

The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 27:

Action Staffing Inc. - Wts. 12/7/90 (ACTSW) to Wts. 12/6/91 (ACTSW)

-30- 446
#90332c0019 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pharmatec Inc.(TICKER: PHTC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$129,141	$263,526
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(108,953)	$(322,529)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,923,580	3,872,305

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,105,464	$1,751,745
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$381,831	$651,545

-30- 1076
#90332c0020 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Merchants Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: NMBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,007,163)	$(1,548,600)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.22)	$(0.62)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$287,962,717	$318,099,331
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$890,394	$9,590,541

-30- 824
#90332c0021 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Synetic Inc.(TICKER: SNTC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,490,000	$6,105,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$551,000	$905,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$0.13
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,265,000	7,134,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$43,691,000	$43,262,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$36,956,000	$36,379,000

-30- 1069
#90332c0022 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Medco Containment Services Inc.(TICKER: MCCS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$294,054,000	$219,422,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$10,983,000	$(6,301,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.22	$(0.13)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	50,801,000	48,733,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$605,743,000	$545,779,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$306,223,000	$293,419,000

-30- 1115
#90332c0025 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by North American National Corp.(TICKER: NAMC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,856,404	$4,184,494
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$499,205	$315,554
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.16	$0.10

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$91,661,942	$89,036,473

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$39,571,780	$38,034,738

-30- 1030

#90332c0026 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:24 that trade in Relm Communications Inc.(NASDAQ: RGCY) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 5/8.

-30- 308

#90332c0027 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Abilene Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: FABB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,062,225	$1,516,723
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.92	$0.66

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$667,150,071	$688,588,111
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$66,612,903	$62,934,550

-30- 830

#90332c0028 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Chittenden Corp.(TICKER: CNDN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,840,000)	$(1,461,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.84)	$(0.31)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,581,590	4,644,210

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,045,540,000	$1,026,651,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$66,391,000	$71,762,000

-30- 878

#90332c0029 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Medical International Inc.(TICKER: HUGE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$112,206	$119,696
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(127,481)	$(612,908)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.22)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,953,133	2,997,747

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,858,246	$1,768,554
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$735,631	$1,106,874

-30- 1089

#90332c0030 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 17, 1990, the board of directors of Holiday RV Superstores Inc.(TICKER: RVEE) amended the company's by-laws.

-30- 329

#90332c0031 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the Atlantic Group (TICKER: ATLG) announced that on Nov. 16, 1990, the Atlantic Group and Riverside Group Inc.(TICKER: RSGI) mutually agreed to terminate their previously announced agreement for Riverside to acquire Atlantic.

Atlantic stated that it will record as an expense, in its second fiscal

quarter ending Nov. 30, 1990, $61,000 of expenses previously capitalized with respect to the terminated acquisition.

-30- 646

#90332c0033 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 19, 1990, Parker Automotive Corp.'s (TICKER: PKRA) principal accountant, Ernst & Young, resigned from that office.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 550

#90332c0034 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by SYS.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,045,000	$1,033,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$7,000	$18,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$25,000	$56,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,719,586	$2,719,586

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,522,000	$1,409,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$914,000	$889,000

-30- 1019

#90332c0035 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sun Sportswear Inc.(TICKER: SSPW).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,441,682	$16,906,583
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(139,901)	$1,320,145
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.19
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,609,000	4,500,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$38,813,340	$38,841,429
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$23,450,789	$20,222,507

-30- 1066

#90332c0036 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 12, 1990, American Capital Holdings Inc.(TICKER: ACHC) sold its subsidiary, Capital Condominium Corp., formerly U.S. Capital Corp., to Andrew J. Duncan, a former officer of Capital.

Capital Condominium had various wholly-owned subsidiaries; it subsequently filed for reorganization under Title II of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

The consolidated assets and liabilities of Capital and subsidiaries as of July 31, 1990, were $23,173,000 and $23,588,000, respectively, reports American Capital.

-30- 712

#90332c0037 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Paul Mueller Co.(TICKER: MUEL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$19,426,000	$20,771,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,372,000	$964,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.17	$0.82

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$51,147,000	$49,101,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$35,142,000	$32,126,000

-30- 1007

#90332c0038 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Brush Creek Mining and Development Co. (TICKER: BCMD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,966	$2,230
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(246,363)	$239,906)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	27,365,000	18,495,610

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,551,954	$4,058,091
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,602,639	$2,295,579

The company has received funding through private placement of securities, it reports.

Other offerings, Brush Creek states, are being considered to obtain funding for working capital and exploration programs, and for feasibility studies on the company's mining properties.

Brush Creek's executive offices are located at 970 East Main Street, Suite 200 Grass Valley, California 95945, and its telephone number is (916) 477-5961.

-30- 1571
#90332c0040 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Fox Technology Inc.(TICKER: FOXT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$715,802	$1,325,428
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(252,367)	$(174,065)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,023,950	5,023,950

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,940,054	$4,811,329
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$949,599	$1,522,153

-30- 1074
#90332c0043 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 791,600 SHARES (9.10%) OF HARMAN INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: HAR).

PURPOSE:

Increase in number of shares held.

-30- 385
#90332c0044 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 2,129,930 SHARES (8.90%) OF MERISEL INC.(TICKER: MSEL) OF EL SEGUNDO, CALIFORNIA.

PURPOSE:

Increase in number of shares held.

-30- 387
#90332c0045 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 335,000 SHARES (8.60%) OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC.(TICKER: COFI) OF CLEVELAND, OHIO.

PURPOSE:

Decrease in number of shares held.

-30- 392
#90332c0046 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 778,100 SHARES (9.20%) OF MORGAN PRODUCTS LTD.(TICKER: MGN) OF LINCOLNSHIRE, ILLINOIS.

PURPOSE:

Increase in number of shares held.

-30- 387
#90332c0047 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 834,900 SHARES (5.90%) OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGIES INC.(TICKER: NWK) OF REDWOOD CITY, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 432
#90332c0048 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 20

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 193,150 SHARES (7.60%) OF PERINI CORP. (TICKER: PCR) OF FRAMINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 13-16, 1990, Harris Associates LP, et al. sold 33,203 common shares for $7.01 to $7.53 per share and 13,400 shares for $11.75 to $13.63 per share.

-30- 515
#90332c0050 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 1,872,400 SHARES (4.16%) OF US SHOE CORP.(TICKER: USR) OF CINCINNATI, OHIO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. sold 482,400 shares on Nov. 15, 1990 for $9.61 per share.

-30- 404
#90332c0052 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 178,782 SHARES (4.48%) OF PERINI CORP. (TICKER: PCR) OF FRAMINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. sold 46,200 shares from Nov. 13-15, 1990 for $7 to $7.42 per share and sold 2,516 shares for $13.13 to $13.75 per share from the assumed conversion of 3,800 convertible preferred shares from Nov. 7-15, 1990.

-30- 550

#90332c0053 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY V. ZACCAGLIN OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA OWNS 1,804,426 SHARES (37.00%) OF CALPROP CORP.(TICKER: CPP) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

V. Zaccaglin, et al. purchased 5,700 shares on Oct. 5, 1990 for $25,167.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 478
#90332c0054 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

G. SHUKOW OWNS 99,026 SHARES (11.70%) OF HAMPTONS BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBSI) OF SOUTHAMPTON, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

G. Shukow purchased 18,500 shares at an unknown date and amount.

-30- 401
#90332c0055 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L.E. GRAY OF NEW ROCHELLE, NEW YORK OWNS 243,650 SHARES (43.00%) OF TRANSCO REALTY TRUST (TICKER: TCRT).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

L.E. Gray purchased 400 shares from Aug. 16 to Oct. 11, 1990 for $4.38 to $5 per share.

-30- 421
#90332c0056 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY G.D. ROBERTS OWNS 108,518 SHARES (12.50%) OF KINGSFORD INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: KNGS) OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

G.D. Roberts, et al. intend to acquire an additional 83,000 shares in the future in a private transaction with Robert O. Locke. G.D. Roberts, et al. also intend to form a new corporation to merge with Kingsford and take the new company private. Discussions concerning such a transaction are currently taking place.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

G.D. Roberts, et al. purchased 108,518 shares on Nov. 8, 1990 for $.10 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 826
#90332c0057 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

N. ELOWITZ OWNS 1,032,300 SHARES (11.66%) OF ULTIMATE CORP.(TICKER: ULT) OF EAST HANOVER, NEW JERSEY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 1 through Nov. 14, 1990, N. Elowitz purchased 108,700 shares at a price of $1.63 to $2.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Increase in stake from 10.435 percent to 11.66 percent.

-30- 506
#90332c0058 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 5,005,900 SHARES (6.90%) OF MANPOWER INC.(TICKER: MAN).

PURPOSE:

To show an increase in the number of shares held by State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 418
#90332c0060 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS (5.00%) OF SEAGULL ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: SGO) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in the number of shares held by State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 420
#90332c0061 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 12, 1990, Shirt Shed Partners sold W. G. Partners LP, Warrant No. 4 and Warrant No. 5 representing a beneficial ownership interest in 1,000,000 shares of common stock for the sum of $3,250,000.

PURPOSE:

Disposition of warrants.

-30- 461
#90332c0062 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ATLAS HOTELS INC. OWNS 250,000 SHARES (20.00%) OF DATRONIC RENTAL CORP. (TICKER: DARC) OF SCHAMBURG, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 16, 1990, Atlas Hotels Inc. ceased to be an owner of any securities of Datronic Rental Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 16, 1990, Atlas Hotels Inc. sold 250,000 shares of common stock to Edmund J. Lopinski jr. at a price of $4.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Disposition of shares.

-30- 636
#90332c0063 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

K.A. JAKE OWNS 45,500 SHARES (6.30%) OF INTERNATIONAL LEISURE HOSTS LTD. (TICKER: ILHL) OF PHOENIX, ARIZONA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 16, 1990, K.A. Jake purchased 10,000 shares at a price of $2.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 452
#90332c0064 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L.R. MANNHEIMER OWNS 342,753 SHARES (10.30%) OF PERFECTDATA CORP. (TICKER: PERF) OF SIMI VALLEY, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 11, 1990, Mr. Mannheimer was given 12,500 unissued shares of stock in the form of a bonus as part of his salary compensation.

PURPOSE:

Fulfillment of corporate remuneration obligation.

-30- 534
#90332c0065 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J. HERZOG OWNS 80,000 SHARES (2.50%) OF LEGAL SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS INC. (TICKER: LSFT) OF JERICHO, NEW YORK.

-30- 312
#90332c0066 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD. OWNS 178,782 SHARES (4.48%) OF PERINI CORP. (TICKER: PCR) OF FRAMINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Fidelity International LTD. is no longer the beneficial owner of five percent of the number of shares outstanding and has no further reporting obligation.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 14, 1990, Fidelity International LTD. sold 15,000 shares at a price of $7.03 per share.

-30- 611
#90332c0068 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CRI Insured Mortgage Association, et al. announced on Nov. 26, 1990 that they

intend to reduce fees and expenses to make their offer more attractive in response to similar actions by current management.

-30- 438
#90332c0074 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

F.H. GARVEY OWNS 1,269,500 SHARES (29.70%) OF RYAN BECK & CO. (TICKER: RBCO) OF WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

F.H. Garvey entered into a stock pooling agreement with Bruce M. Chodash and Mathew R. Naula on Nov. 14, 1990 that covers a total of 1,269,500 shares. F.H. Garvey holds 500,000 shares directly. All three individuals are officers and/or directors of Ryan Beck & Co.. On Nov. 16, 1990, Ryan Beck & Co. commenced a self tender offer for up to 1.25 million shares. F.H. Garvey has stated that he will tender shares only if fewer than the 1.25 million shares are tendered by other shareholders.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares to obtain an equity investment.

-30- 891
#90332c0075 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

B.M. CHODASH OWNS 379,500 SHARES (8.90%) OF RYAN BECK & CO. (TICKER: RBCO) OF WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

B.M. Chodash entered into a stock pooling agreement with Fenwick H. Garvey and Mathew R. Naula on Nov. 14, 1990 that covers a total of 1,269,500 shares. B.M. Chodash holds 379,500 shares directly. All three individuals are officers and/or directors of Ryan Beck & Co.. On Nov. 16, 1990, Ryan Beck & Co. commenced a self tender offer for up to 1.25 million shares. B.M. Chodash has stated that he will tender shares only if fewer than the 1.25 million shares are tendered by other shareholders.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares as executive VP of Ryan Beck & Co.

-30- 890
#90332c0076 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M.R. NAULA OWNS 390,000 SHARES (9.10%) OF RYAN BECK & CO. (TICKER: RBCO) OF WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M.R. Naula entered into a stock pooling agreement with Fenwick H. Garvey and Bruce M. Chodash on Nov. 14, 1990 that covers a total of 1,269,500 shares. M.R. Naula holds 390,000 shares directly. All three individuals are officers and/or directors of Ryan Beck & Co.. On Nov. 16, 1990, Ryan Beck & Co. commenced a self tender offer for up to 1.25 million shares. M.R. Naula has stated that he will tender shares only if fewer than the 1.25 million shares are tendered by other shareholders.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares as senior VP of Ryan Beck & Co.

-30- 884
#90332c0077 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ODONNELL DAVIS MANAGEMENT INC. LP II OWNS 280,500 SHARES (6.66%) OF HOSPITAL STAFFING SERVICES INC.(TICKER: HSSI) OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Odonnell Davis Management Inc. LP II purchased 56,000 shares from Aug. 3 to Nov. 12, 1990 for $2.75 to $3.58 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 540

#90332c0078 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

BANK CORP OF GEORGIA OWNS 1,216,400 SHARES (40.00%) OF AMERICORP. INTERNATIONAL INC.(TICKER: DOER) OF SAVANNAH, GEORGIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 16, 1990, following regulatory and shareholder approval, Bank Corp. of Georgia purchased 608,200 shares for $1.14 per share and an option to acquire an additional 608,200 shares for $1.14 per share. Also, as part of the agreement, Bank Corp. of Georgia acquired 8,500 preferred shares and an option to acquire an additional 12,000 shares, of which 9,500 were exercised immediately for $100 each.

PURPOSE:

To obtain an equity position with the option to increase such ownership.

-30- 855
#90332c0079 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J.S. SEGASTURE OF SUNSET HILLS, MISSOURI OWNS 132,757 SHARES (16.60%) OF SCIENTIFIC INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: SCND).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 414
#90332c0081 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY INDEPENDENT HOLDINGS INC. OWNS 516,300 SHARES (8.50%) OF LANDSING PACIFIC FUND (TICKER: LPF) OF MENLO PARK, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 16, 1990 through Nov. 19, 1990, Independent Holdings Inc., et al.

purchased 67,300 shares at a price of $6.91 to $7.87 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 545
#90332c0082 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.M. SUMMERS OWNS 63,854 SHARES (5.50%) OF LEVY BANCORP OF VENTURA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Sept. 30, 1990, the Trust was terminated and the held shares were distributed to the respective beneficial owners. Simultaneously, the Partnership distributed the shares it held the partners thereof. J.M. Summers received 11,064 of such shares.

PURPOSE:

Termination of trust.

-30- 591
#90332c0083 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

F.M. WILLIAMS OWNS 5,607,083 SHARES (42.10%) OF KIMMINS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CORP.(TICKER: KVN) OF TAMPA, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In Sept. 1989, F.M. Williams pledged 2,702,941 shares to Chase Bank of Florida N.A. to collateralize a loan in the principal amount of $5,000,000 made by Chase to F.M. Williams. The Chase loan became due on June 30, 1990 and it is anticipated that the loan will be repaid shortly. In May 1990, F.M. Williams pledged $10,600,000 principal amount of government securities on behalf of the Company as part of a $18,065,000 bond that a subsidiary of the Company was required to post with the Illinois EPA in connection with a remediation project. From May through August 1990, F.M. Williams pledged 465,250 shares to Citicorp Real Estate Inc. to collateralize $1,200,000 portion of construction financing in the total amount of $24,700,000. On July 24, 1990, the Company

and F.M. Williams consummated a public offering of 800,000 shares and 200,000 shares by the Company and F.M. Williams, respectively.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On July 24, 1990, F.M. Williams sold 200,000 shares at a price of $6.75 per share, pursuant to a public offering.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1440
#90332c0084 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M. KOPPELMAN OWNS 640,029 SHARES (9.10%) OF IN HOME HEALTH INC.(TICKER: IHHI) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Eastlake is short 38,500 class A warrants.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 9, 1990 through Nov. 9, 1990, M. Koppelman purchased 235,500 shares at a price of $1.05 to $1.38 per share and sold 62,995 shares at a price of $1 to $1.47 per share; and purchased 475,000 warrants at a price of $0.31 to $0.32 per warrant and sold 336,000 warrants at a price of $0.31 to $0.36 per warrant.

PURPOSE:

Investment and trading.

-30- 762
#90332c0085 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 28) COMTEX - Service Fracturing Co.(TICKER: SERF), a Pampa, Texas-based provider of oilfield well services, has agreed to acquire the Kansas-based acidizing service business of Service Acid Inc. from Norman Ruder and Harriet Lee Ruder for $2.35 million.

The deal is expected to close Nov. 30, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 26, 1990.

-30- 617
#90332c0086 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 28) COMTEX - Elkhart, Ind.-based Excel Industries Inc. (TICKER: EXC) has completed the acquisition of the Door Systems Division of Hoover Universal Inc., a subsidiary of Johnson Controls Inc. of Milwaukee, for $18.9 million.

The purchase price included $6.1 million in cash, $2.2 million paid to an escrow account for later delivery, and the assumption of $10.4 million in liabilities, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The Doors Systems Division, which designs, manufactures and sells window-regulator systems, latches and components for the automotive industry, has a production plant in Pikesville, Tenn.

The division plans to build a plant in Juarez, Mexico.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 26, 1990.

-30- 972
#90332c0087 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 19, the company and the Trust announced the execution of a definitive agreement with respect to an arrangement for restructuring the funding of the trust. In connection, the Trust entered into a stipulation of settlement in connection with a class action filed in Nov. 19, 1990.

-30- 520
#90332c0089 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY HAWAII INVESTOR GROUP - ROCK OWNS 165,755 SHARES (4.39%) OF AMERON INC.(TICKER: AMN) OF MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Considering Hawaii Investor Group, et al.s' investment in Ameron Inc., Hawaii Investor Group, et al.s are exploring the feasibility of proposing a possible acquisition transaction involving Ameron Inc. In this connection, Hawaii Investor Group, et al.s are having discussions with third parties to determine whether such third parties would be interested in providing equity and/or debt financing, including through a joint venture arrangement, for any acquisition which might be proposed, although no contracts, arrangements or understanding with any third parties have been reach.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 20, 1990, the files purchased 4,100 shares at a purchase price of $34.70 per share.

PURPOSE:

Possible acquisition transaction.

-30- 1128
#90332c0090 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY BCL INVESTMENT PARTNERS LP OWNS 7,286,358 SHARES (34.71%) OF READING & BATES CORP.(TICKER: RB) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 21, 1990 the Partnerships converted all 7,105,108 shares of class B stock held into 7,105,108 shares of common stock. The conversion was effected in connection with the possible implementation of the proposed recapitalization.

PURPOSE:

Conversion of class B stock.

-30- 644
#90332c0091 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J.N. KAPOOR TRUST OWNS 3,000,000 SHARES (22.40%) OF AKORN INC. (TICKER: AKRN) OF ABITA SPRINGS, LOUISIANA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Trust was also granted a common stock purchase warrant dated Nov. 15, 1990 under which the Trust received the right to purchase up to an additional 2,000,000 shares of Akron common stock subject to the operation of anti-dilution provisions. The warrant terminates on Nov. 15, 1993.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 15, 1990 the Trust acquired 1,000,000 shares of Akorn common stock $1,500,000 pursuant to a stock purchase agreement.

PURPOSE:

Stock purchase agreement.

-30- 836
#90332c0092 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

J.D. KNOX OWNS 1,130,082 SHARES (26.19%) OF SIXX HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: SIXX) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 19, 1990, Mr. Knox purchased 479,582 shares at a price of $0.52 per share in a privately negotiated transaction.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 469
#90332c0093 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 15, 1990, following the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the acquisition agreement, including the resignation of each of the directors of API, Meadowstar, as the sole stockholder of API, elected Carl C. Icahn, Alfred D. Kingsley and Mark H. Rachesky to the board of directors of API.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 15, 1990, pursuant to the acquisition agreement, Meadowstar purchased all of the outstanding shares of common stock of API and Nominee.

PURPOSE:

Board elections.

-30- 747
#90332c0094 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

E.T. BINGER OWNS 128,770 SHARES (5.66%) OF INVESTORS SAVINGS CORP. (TICKER: INVS) OF MINNETONKA, MINNESOTA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Binger owns a warrant to purchase 1500 shares of the common stock of Investors Savings Corp. at a price of $8.33 per share until April 1, 1991; and he also owns $23,000 face amount of subordinated debentures of the Investors Savings Corp. which bear interest at the rate of 10 percent per annum and are payable on April 1, 1996.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Within the last 60 days, on an undisclosed dated and for an undisclosed amount Mr. Binger purchased 38,570 shares.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 843
#90332c0095 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

REICH & TANG LP OWNS 212,400 SHARES (12.31%) OF PAMRAPO BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: PBCI) OF BAYONNE, NEW JERSEY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 29 through Oct. 30, 1990, Reich & Tang LP purchased 51,000 shares at a price $5.83 to $5.88 per share.

-30- 452
#90332c0097 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 625,750 SHARES (6.95%) OF ARGONAUT GROUP INC.(TICKER: AGII) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 4 to Nov. 19, 1990, Goldman Sachs & Co., et al. purchased 102,000 shares for $43.25 to $64.63 per share.

-30- 504
#90332c0098 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY FEDERATED GOVERNMENT SECURITIES INC. OWNS 10,140,708 SHARES (74.30%) OF NORCAP FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: NRCP) OF SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As of Nov. 30, 1989, Norcap issued 6,492,825 shares to Federated Government Securities Inc., valued at $260,000, in exchange for the assets of FGSI, in order to diversify its operations.

-30- 573
#90332c0099 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY HLM PARTNERS LP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 550,000 SHARES

(6.90%) OF WEITEK CORP.(TICKER: WWTK) OF SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

HLM Partners LP, et al.'s purchased 368,500 shares from Sept. 28 to Nov. 16, 1990 for $6 to $9.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 513
#90332c0100 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY PEGASUS HOLDING CORP. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 401,400 SHARES (5.42%) OF WHITTAKER CORPORATION (TICKER: WKR) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 12 to Nov. 20, 1990, Pegasus Holding Corp., et al. sold 55,000 shares at a price of $8.44 to $8.62 per share.

-30- 505
#90332c0101 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ARDSLEY PARTNERS OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 625,000 SHARES (11.80%) OF PORTUGAL FUND (TICKER: PGF) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 22 through Nov. 19, 1990, Ardsley Partners purchased 105,000 shares at a price of $8.93 to $9.56 per share.

-30- 465
#90332c0102 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 8, 1990, Mr. Simpson, as trustee, ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the common stock. Also, on Nov. 8, 1990, the remaining 3,657,692 shares of common stock of Pratt Hotel Corp.(TICKER: PHC) owned by Southmark and the New Jersey Trustee were acquired by United Jersey Bank. United Jersey had filed a motion on Aug. 8, 1990 seeking abandonment by Southmark of its ownership interest in such shares as partial satisfaction of United Jersey Bank's claim against Southmark in respect of the Loan. Southmark did not contest the motion, and on Nov. 8, 1990, the court entered an order granting United Jersey Bank's Motion. As a result of the foreclosure, the final disposition of the New Jersey Trust Property by the New Jersey Trustee was completed and the New Jersey Trust was terminated according to its terms.

-30- 1082
#90332c0103 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY L. CHAVIN OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS OWNS 145,000 SHARES (9.10%) OF GENERAL EMPLOYMENT ENTERPRISES INC.(TICKER: JOB) OF OAKBROOK TERRACE, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 20, 1990, the defendants filed a memorandum in opposition to plaintiff's renewed motion, to which Chavin intends to respond on Nov. 26, 1990. The Circuit Court has scheduled a hearing on Chavin's motion for Nov. 28 1990. Mr. Chavin presently intends to seek representation on General Employment Enterprises Inc.'s board of directors, and to solicit proxies for such purpose in connection with the next annual meeting of shareholders of General Employment Enterprises Inc.

PURPOSE:

Seeking declaratory judgment.

-30- 926
#90332c0105 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

K.J. DAHLBERG OWNS 198,383 SHARES (7.00%) OF DAHLBERG INC. (TICKER: DAHL) OF

MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 20, 1990, Mr. Dahlberg replaced Warren E. Mack as trustee of the Trust. The beneficially-owned shares include 60,000 shares obtainable upon exercise of a currently outstanding option.

PURPOSE:

Replacement of trustee.

-30- 550
#90332c0106 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY R.G. PERELMAN OF PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA OWNS 215,200 SHARES (7.51%) OF ELECTRONIC ASSOCIATES INC.(TICKER: EA) OF W. LONG BRANCH, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.G. Perelman, et al. have agreed to sell all of their shares of common stock back to the company pursuant to a certain stipulation of settlement between Perelman and the company with regard to the action Perelman vs. Finney, et al. Docket No. ATL-C-000033-90, Superior court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Atlantic County.

PURPOSE:

Disposition of common stock.

-30- 774
#90332c0107 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 23

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Nov. 23, 1990, Unicorp Canada Corp. announced it financial result from the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990: a net loss of $6.1 million compared to $66.1 million for the same period last year; natural gas production increased 21 per cent over the same period in 1989 and crude oil

and natural gas liquids production increased 8 per cent, gas marketing volumes increased 13 percent, and transportation, storage and distribution volumes were adversely affected for the period due to the weather being 13 percent warmer than normal. The Corporation is reviewing the divestiture of its investment in the common shares of Unicorp American Corp.(TICKER: UAC). Due to the further decline in market value of these shares, the Corporation has determined that separation of ownership from the investment in Unicorp American Corp.(TICKER: UAC) could be achieved expeditiously by way of a sale rather than as previously announced distribution to its Class A and Class B shareholders. The board has authorized the solicitation of offers for Unicorp American common shares held by the Corporation during a sixty day period from purchasers who must be approved by the Office of Thrift Supervision in the United States. Mr. George Mann stated that he will be considering making an offer for these shares.

PURPOSE:

Possible share of shares.

-30- 1614
#90332c0112 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ENTREPRENEURS INTERWEST OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG #3, SUITE 255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,750 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7114)

-30- 414
#90332c0113 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHAW VENTURE PARTNERS OF 111 S W FIFTH AVE #2200, PORTLAND, OR 97204, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 442
#90332c0114 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ATALANTA INVESTMENT CO INC OF 450 PARK AVE, SUITE 2102, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF PRICE/STERN/SLOAN INC. (TICKER:

PSSP) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(PRICE/STERN/SLOAN INC. TEL: 213 657-6100)

-30- 455
#90332c0115 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD H COOLEY OF 01860 S W GREENWOOD RD, PORTLAND, OR 97219, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF PRECISION CASTPARTS CORP. (TICKER: PCP) THROUGH CHARTER INVSTMNT GRP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(PRECISION CASTPARTS CORP. TEL: 503 777-3881)

-30- 440
#90332c0117 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES T MARTIN OF 3340 PEACHTREE ROAD N E, ATLANTA, GA 30326, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,041 SHARES OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW) THROUGH ANDERSON & STRUDWICK. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. TEL: 404 231-8575)

-30- 420
#90332c0118 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SOLARI-LANE TRUST II OF P O BOX 900, WATSONVILLE, CA 95077, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC. (TICKER: GCCO) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC. TEL: 408 724-1011)

-30- 440
#90332c0119 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD J LEACH OF 127 BELRIDGE DR, LOS GATOS, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 453-7300)

-30- 407
#90332c0120 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES R RASMUSSEN OF ONE KENDALL SQ, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF GENZYME CORP. (TICKER: GENZ) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(GENZYME CORP. TEL: 617 252-7500)

-30- 391
#90332c0121 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID M THOMAS OF 716 DOVE CIRCLE, COPPELL, TX 75019, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,714 SHARES OF INTERTRANS CORP. (TICKER: ITRN) THROUGH STONEWALL SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(INTERTRANS CORP. TEL: 214 258-4888)

-30- 406
#90332c0122 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SOUTHWEST VENTURE PARTNERS II OF 300 CONVENT ST #1400, 0, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78205, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 647-8277)

-30- 497
#90332c0123 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TED H MCCOURTNEY OF 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA, ROOM 5600, NEW YORK, NY 10112, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(APPLE COMPUTER INC. TEL: 408 996-1010)

-30- 437

#90332c0125 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROSE L HARROFF OF 2511 WEST WILDWOOD TRAIL, WARSAW, IN 46580, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET) THROUGH RAFFENSPERGER HUGHES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(BIOMET INC. TEL: 219 267-6639)

-30- 398
#90332c0126 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M RAY HARROFF OF 2511 WEST WILDWOOD TRAIL, 0, WARSAW, IN 46580, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET) THROUGH RAFFENSPERGER HUGHES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(BIOMET INC. TEL: 219 267-6639)

-30- 400
#90332c0127 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TURI JOSEFSEN OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 399
#90332c0128 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H RANDOLPH SWEET OF C/O SWEET-EDWARDS/EMCON, P O DRAWER B, KELSO, WA 98626, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 453-7300)

-30- 423
#90332c0129 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NITA P HECKENDORN OF 2700 COLORADO AVE, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404, HAS

FILED TO SELL 5,243 SHARES OF NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: NME) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC TEL: 213 315-8000)

-30- 458
#90332c0130 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD F FRITSCH OF 87 CAMBRIDGE PK DR, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02140, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. TEL: 617 876-1170)

-30- 432
#90332c0131 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHEWMAKER FAMILY REVOC TRUST OF 702 SW 8TH ST, BENTONVILLE, AR 72716, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(WAL-MART STORES INC. TEL: 501 273-4000)

-30- 441
#90332c0133 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TURI JOSEFSEN OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 399
#90332c0134 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEON C HIRSCH OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 399
#90332c0135 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAYMOND J ZABLOCKI OF 142 STONE PINE LN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,176 SHARES OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 415 777-0477)

-30- 442
#90332c0136 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CMH-V PENSION PLAN OF 1525 OBRIEN AVE, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,956 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 422
#90332c0137 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H RANDOLPH SWEET OF C/O SWEET-EDWARDS/EMCON, P O DRAWER B, KELSO, WA 98626, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 453-7300)

-30- 429
#90332c0138 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT G SWEIFACH OF 1148 ARDSLEY CT, SAN JOSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,750 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 413
#90332c0139 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER A HOWLEY OF 305 CASCADE DR, MILL VALLEY, CA 94941, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 415 777-0477)

-30- 434
#90332c0141 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE A MILLER OF 3 WASHINGTON PARK, MILL VALLEY, CA 94941, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,722 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 410
#90332c0142 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SECURITIES BENEFITS LIFE INS CO OF 700 HARRISON ST, TOPEKA, KS 66636, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,738 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 480
#90332c0143 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHLEGER & HARRISON RPT BROBECK OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 432
#90332c0144 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:02 that trade in

General Employment Enterprises Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol JOB.

-30- 349
#90332c0145 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELEANORE PACEY OF 1201 HAWKINS WAY, PEBBLE BCH, CA 93953, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 453-7300)

-30- 408
#90332c0146 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:02 that trade in Relm Communications Inc.(NASDAQ: RGCY) has been resumed. The first sale was 5/8; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 355
#90332c0147 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES E DALTON OF 3701 SKYPARK DR, TORRANCE, CA 90505, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF LOGICON INC. (TICKER: LGN) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(LOGICON INC. TEL: 213 373-0220)

-30- 389
#90332c0149 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS MANIATIS OF 87 CAMBRIDGE PK DR, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02140, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. TEL: 617 876-1170)

-30- 430
#90332c0150 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CENTENNIAL BUSINESS DEV FUND LTD OF 1999 BROADWAY, STE #2100, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 433-3340)

-30- 470
#90332c0151 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL RUTTENBERG OF 1408 OXDORD ST, BERKELEY, CA 94709, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF SGI INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SGII) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(SGI INTERNATIONAL TEL: 619 452-0841)

-30- 405
#90332c0152 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PENRYN INVESTMENT CORP OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,866 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 424
#90332c0153 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK F LAPHAM OF 35 INDUSTRIAL WAY, E ROCHESTER, NH 03867, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF CABLETRON SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(CABLETRON SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 603 332-9400)

-30- 420
#90332c0154 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GODDARD FAMILY TRUST OF 115 SOUTH ACACIA AVE, SOLANA BCH, CA 92075, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,201 SHARES OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23,

1990.

(CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. TEL: 619 755-8281)

-30- 459
#90332c0155 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COOPER EPSTEIN & HUREWITZ CORP OF 345 NORTH MAPLE DRIVE, SUITE #200, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210, HAS FILED TO SELL 300,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 484
#90332c0157 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAPITAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES INC OF 333 SOUTH HOPE ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90071, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,730 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 442
#90332c0158 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GORDON RUSSELL OF 297 MAPACHE DR, PORTOLA VALLEY, CA 94028, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,956 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH CONWAY WILLIAMS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 410
#90332c0159 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BERNARD MARCUS OF 7460 WILDERCLIFF DR, ATLANTA, GA 30328, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF HOME DEPOT INC. (TICKER: HD) THROUGH INVEMED ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(HOME DEPOT INC. TEL: 404 433-8211)

-30- 402
#90332c0160 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARCUS FOUNDATION INC OF 2727 PACES FERRY RD, ATLANTA, GA 30339, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF HOME DEPOT INC. (TICKER: HD) THROUGH INVEMED ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(HOME DEPOT INC. TEL: 404 433-8211)

-30- 416
#90332c0161 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOPP WAYNE TRUST OF 2500 WALSH AVE, SANTA CLARA, CA 95051, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,010 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 397
#90332c0162 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM R HENNESSEY OF 130 WILMAR DR, PITTSBURGH, PA 15238, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,548 SHARES OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP) THROUGH PARKER/HUNTER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(RESPIRONICS INC. TEL: 412 373-8114)

-30- 407
#90332c0163 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PIERRE R LAMOND OF 167 ISABELLA AVE, ATHERTON, CA 94027, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 415

#90332c0165 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS R WAGGONER OF 286 EAST ALEGRIA AVE, SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF STAAR SURGICAL CO. (TICKER: STAA) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(STAAR SURGICAL CO. TEL: 818 303-7902)

-30- 427
#90332c0166 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CITY BAPTIST CHURCH PUTNAM OF 5604 NW 41ST ST, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73122, HAS FILED TO SELL 125,000 SHARES OF RED EAGLE RESOURCES CORP (TICKER: REDX) THROUGH SOUTHWEST SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(RED EAGLE RESOURCES CORP TEL: 405 843-8066)

-30- 449
#90332c0167 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT D KERN OF 3488 LADY HILL RD, SAN DIEGO, CA 92130, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(MYCOGEN CORP TEL: 619 453-8030)

-30- 388
#90332c0168 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FOOTHILL GROUP INC OF 11111 SANTA MONICA BLVD, 0, LOS ANGELES, CA 90025, HAS FILED TO SELL 151,604 SHARES OF AMERICAN HEALTHCARE MGMT INC. (TICKER: AHI) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(AMERICAN HEALTHCARE MGMT INC. TEL: 215 768-5800)

-30- 471
#90332c0169 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL L DARLAND OF 2021 102ND PL SE, BELLEVUE, WA 98004, HAS FILED TO SELL 71,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. TEL: 206 881-7544)

-30- 435
#90332c0170 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAYMOND A FORSTHOFFER OF 1910 ORCHARD COUNTRY LANE, HOUSTON, TX 77062, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF STERLING CHEMICALS INC. (TICKER: STX) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(STERLING CHEMICALS INC. TEL: 713 650-3700)

-30- 445
#90332c0171 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM C MILLER OF 4225 HARTWOOD LANE, TAMPA, FL 33624, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,000 SHARES OF AURORA ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: AURE) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(AURORA ENVIRONMENTAL INC. TEL: 813 961-7885)

-30- 434
#90332c0173 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OAK INVEST PARTNERS II LTD OF 60 SILVERMINE RD, SEYMOUR, CT 06483, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,499 SHARES OF SUMMAGRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: SUGR) THROUGH NEEDHAM & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(SUMMAGRAPHICS CORP. TEL: 203 881-5369)

-30- 430
#90332c0174 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN R MIHALIC OF 3510 NORTH 25TH PLACE, PHOENIX, AZ 85016, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH J W GARRETT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2409)

-30- 435
#90332c0175 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OAK INV PARTNERS LTD OF 60 SILVERMINE RD, SEYMOUR, CT 06483, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,250 SHARES OF SUMMAGRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: SUGR) THROUGH NEEDHAM & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(SUMMAGRAPHICS CORP. TEL: 203 881-5369)

-30- 416
#90332c0176 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JED A DARLAND OF 2021 102ND PLACE SE, BELLEVUE, WA 98004, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. TEL: 206 881-7544)

-30- 432
#90332c0177 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NICHOLE I DARLAND OF 2021 102ND PLACE SE, BELLEVUE, WA 98004, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. TEL: 206 881-7544)

-30- 436
#90332c0178 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JUDITH A HEYBOER OF 10463 NOEL AVE, CUPERTINO, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,744 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 696-9112)

-30- 394

#90332c0179 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH V SHURGOT OF 3255 CORINTH AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90066, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF UTILITECH INC. (TICKER: UTLL) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(UTILITECH INC. TEL: 213 441-4119)

-30- 408
#90332c0181 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCOTT C CHEN OF 873 HAMPSWOOD WAY,
SAN JS OSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(KOMAG INC. TEL: 408 946-2300)

-30- 382
#90332c0182 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL A TAMPOSI OF 402 AMHERST ST, 0, NASHUA, NH 03063, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF AMOSKEAG BANK SHARES INC. (TICKER: AMKG) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(AMOSKEAG BANK SHARES INC. TEL: 603 647-3200)

-30- 439
#90332c0183 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRIMSTONE ISLAND CO LP OF 83 WALNUT ST, WELLESLEY HILLS, MA 02181, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,400 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH WESSELS ARNOLD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 454
#90332c0184 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER A HANSEN OF P O BOX 1887, JACKSON, WY 83001, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 415 882-2300)

-30- 431
#90332c0185 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILIP O ROGERS OF 8 HILLSIDE AVE, BALTIMORE, MD 21210, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,351 SHARES OF LEGG MASON INC. (TICKER: LM) THROUGH LEGG MASON WOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(LEGG MASON INC. TEL: 301 539-3400)

-30- 396
#90332c0186 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DIEGO A RODRIQUEZ OF 4517 NAVAJO PLACE, BOULDER, CO 80303, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(EXABYTE CORP. TEL: 303 442-4333)

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#90332c0187 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SILVIA M RODRIQUEZ OF 4517 NAVAJO PLACE, BOULDER, CO 80303, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(EXABYTE CORP. TEL: 303 442-4333)

-30- 404
#90332c0189 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS J MCKEARN OF 6040 LOWER MOUNTAIN RD, NEW HOPE, PA 18938, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CYTOGEN CORP. (TICKER: CYTO) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(CYTOGEN CORP. TEL: 609 987-8200)

-30- 406
#90332c0190 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INDOSUEZ BANK OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,253 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 404
#90332c0191 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INDOSUEZ BANQUE OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,199 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 410
#90332c0192 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:27 that trade in Bankworcester Corp.(NASDAQ: BNKW) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 10 3/4. The company is located in Worcester, Massachusetts.

-30- 355
#90332c0193 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Alloy Computer Products Inc.(TICKER: ALOY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,184,000	$6,466,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,001,000)	$(1,681,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.21)	$(0.36)

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,845,000	4,731,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,388,000	$14,591,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,139,000	$10,619,000

-30- 1092

#90332c0194 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Advanced Manufacturing Systems Inc.(TICKER: AVMS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$813,310	$1,165,118
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(139,688)	$10,570
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,731,048	9,731,048

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,658,331	$3,356,375
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$666,356	$889,878

-30- 1101

#90332c0195 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by General Parcel Service Inc.(TICKER: GPSX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,387,041	$1,284,823

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(629,541)	$(292,347)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.42)	$(0.43)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,486,633	685,041

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,009,782	$4,110,121
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$137,131	$1,577,308

-30- 1080

#90332c0197 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Digital Products Corp.(TICKER: DIPC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,358,273	$746,289
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$31,858	$(666,018)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.10)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,795,852	6,685,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,853,605	$4,629,619
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,497,987	$2,039,512

-30- 1078

#90332c0198 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pharmetics Inc.(TICKER: PHRM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$930,119	$959,397
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(163,886)	$(113,217)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,950,000	2,950,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,545,957	$2,521,035
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$745,038	$1,155,659

-30- 1055

#90332c0199 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Dartmouth Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: DBCI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(21,669,000)	$(8,361,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(4.83)	$(1.81)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,502,000	4,625,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,024,125,000	$1,140,576,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$22,280,000	$72,077,000

-30- 886

#90332c0200 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Selecterm Inc.(TICKER: SLTM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,826,695	$5,708,643
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(374,360)	$188,077
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.20)	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,894,668	2,600,900

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$17,127,471	$23,436,062
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,555,621	$20,864,091

-30- 1063
#90332c0201 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:42 that trade in Bohemia Inc. (NASDAQ: BOHM) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 8 3/4. The company is located in Eugene, OR.

-30- 326
#90332c0202 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

D.B. MULLEN OWNS 525,720 SHARES (8.20%) OF FAMOUS RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FAMS) OF SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In Nov. 1990, D.B. Mullen acquired an additional 112,000 shares for $43,250. On Nov. 14, 1990, in connection with the cancellation of a promissory note of D.B. Mullen's to the company, Mullen transferred to the company 25,000 shares.

-30- 564
#90332c0203 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R. KAMERSCHEN OWNS 802,166 SHARES (6.00%) OF ADVO-SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: ADVO) OF WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an employment agreement, dated Nov. 14, 1988, between Robert J. Kamerschen and ADVO-System Inc., Kamerschen was provided grants of 128,000 shares of restricted stock and 673,166 shares of stock option.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 568

#90332c0205 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Drug Screening Systems Inc.(TICKER: DRUG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$133,003	$111,054
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(225,130)	$(251,321)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,497,018	3,352,416

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$658,000	$498,589
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$35,860	$(36,260)

-30- 1095

#90332c0206 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Edac Technologies Corp.(TICKER: EDAC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,514,088	$7,411,275
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$110,365	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$274,358	$434,358
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$0.12
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,478,543	3,478,543

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$17,186,881	$19,642,238
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,144,863	$2,273,074

-30- 1090

#90332c0207 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mikros Systems Inc.(TICKER: MCRS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,123,500	$7,206,700
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$490,800	$378,400
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$0.06
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,518,821	6,328,505

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$26,647,500	$26,625,500
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,294,000	$15,794,000

-30- 1075

#90332c0208 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - Advanced Photonix Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1 million shares of its

Class A common stock.

The anticipated offering price per share is $6.00.

D.H. Blair & Co. and Parliament Hill Capital are managing the offering.

The company is a development stage firm which is attempting to develop proprietary advanced solid state silicon photodetection devices using avalanche photodetction device technology.

These devices are designed to detect and amplify signals from light and radiant energy sources and covert those signals into electrical impulses or signals.

The company's executive office is located at 11111 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 1840, Los Angeles, California 90025 and its telephone number is (213) 477-5563.

-30- 972

#90332c0209 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - IMA Medikos Group Ltd. (formerly Intron Ltd.) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 2 million shares of its common stock.

The shares are issuable upon exercise of the company's outstanding warrants.

Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share at any time after June 11, 1990 and before June 11, 1992, at a price of $0.45 per share.

IMA is engaged in the business of marketing and distributing medical supplies in the international market.

The company's executive office is located at 300 N.W. 82nd Ave., Suite 414, Plantation, Florida 33324 and its telephone number is (305) 474-2900.

-30- 831

#90332c0210 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - Insight Investment Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1 million units.

The units are to be distributed to the company's existing shreholders.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock of the company and two redeemable common stock purchase warrants of the company.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 4308 Avondale, Dallas, Texas 77129 and its telephone number is (214) 520-7300.

-30- 780

#90332c0211 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - Falls Financial Inc.(TICKER: FFII) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 67,500 units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock, two Class A warrants and four Class B warrants.

The initial public offering price is $6.00 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at One Parker Square, Suite 308, Wichita Falls, Texas 76308 and its telephone number is (817) 322-5291.

-30- 756

#90332c0213 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cellular Products Inc.(TICKER: CELP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$310,343	$648,540
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(96,384)	$(229,399)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,481,718	7,981,718

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,669,180	$2,925,980
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$697,213	$840,602

-30- 1058
#90332c0214 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Global Gaming and Technology Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$656	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(29,013)	$(32,988)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$491,330	$491,659
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(1,272,269)	$(1,243,256)

-30- 1015
#90332c0215 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Plenum Publishing Corp.(TICKER: PLEN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$12,457,189	$11,576,983
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$196,659	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(6,069,022)	$3,280,328
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.12)	$0.59

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$119,987,528	$132,685,432
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$42,602,247	$51,291,550

-30- 1017
#90332c0216 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Lakeland First Financial Group Inc.(TICKER: LLSL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$476,344	$808,492
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.17	$0.28
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,887,711	2,926,005

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$314,609,410	$318,298,954
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$39,461,171	$39,220,101

-30- 897
#90332c0217 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Centurion Gold Ltd.(TICKER: CEUM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$178,447	$141,909
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$32,890	$212,700
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.02

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,461,300	$21,971,653
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(12,852,565)	$(1,780,227)

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

-30- 1047

#90332c0218 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Intergroup Corp.(TICKER: INTG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,851,124	$1,803,697
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(316,990)	$(832,974)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.35)	$(0.92)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	897,600	907,426

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$32,556,717	$35,154,030
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,949,696	$2,257,931

-30- 1062

#90332c0219 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Accuhealth Inc.(TICKER: ACCU).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,052,887	$7,873,432
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$30,961	$(396,730)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.26)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,570,828	1,550,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,673,492	$12,147,215
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,347,918	$3,197,601

-30- 1067

#90332c0221 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Leisure Concepts Inc.(TICKER: LCIC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,049,240	$1,664,237
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(219,048)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$101,542	$354,429
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.11
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,132,246	3,130,087

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$14,915,063	$14,091,497
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,152,799	$8,045,841

-30- 1068

#90332c0222 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:20 that trade in Monarch Capital has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol MON.

-30- 310

#90332c0223 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:21 that trade in Bohemia Inc.(NASDAQ: BOHM) has been resumed. The first sale was 8 1/2; down 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 338
#90332c0224 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:36 that trade in Uni-Marts Inc.(NASDAQ: UNMA) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 1/8. The company is located in State College, Pennsylvania.

-30- 347
#90332c0225 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 8 1990, Strategic Distribution Inc. determined to change the date of its fiscal year end from June 30 to Dec. 31 of each year.

The company's executive offices are located at 165 Mason Street, Greenwich, Connecticut 06830, and its telephone number is (203) 629-8750.

-30- 485
#90332c0226 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 16, 1990, Industrial Training Corp.(TICKER: ITCC) engaged Grant Thornton as its independent accountants.

The engagement is for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1990.

KPMG Peat Marwick was the company's former accountant.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 683
#90332c0227 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 16, 1990, Forsell Investors Limited Partnership declared its $50,000 loan to Adven Inc. to be in default.

Adven states it has no prospects of paying this loan.

Adven reports, however, that Forsell has proposed to accept all right, title and interest in Surface Technologies Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary and the sole asset of Adven, in full satisfaction of the debt.

The company's executive address is Suite 125, 14221 N.E. 190th Street, Woodinville, Washington 98072, and its telephone number is (206) 774-1805.

-30- 763
#90332c0229 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 12, 1990, Nelson Peltz resigned as a director of Atalanta/Sosnoff Capital Corp.(TICKER: ATL).

Milton Weinick was elected a member of the board of directors, to serve until the next annual meeting of stockholders.

The company's executive address is 101 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10178, and its telephone number is (212) 867-5000.

-30- 579
#90332c0230 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 14, 1990, Starcraft Corp. announced that it and certain subsidiaries filed for bankruptcy protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

The company is located at 2703 College Avenue, Goshen, Indiana 46526, and its telephone number is (219) 533-1105.

-30- 476
#90332c0232 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by XYVision Inc.(TICKER: XYVI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,751,000	$1,611,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,396,000)	$(10,179,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.44)	$(1.75)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,502,000	5,803,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$38,513,000	$44,603,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,749,000	$12,098,000

-30- 1074
#90332c0233 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Famous Fast Food Operators Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,743,541	$1,823,139
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(97,344)	$(21,593)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,914,300	5,914,300

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,120,074	$2,213,604
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$694,771	$967,459

-30- 1087
#90332c0234 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Management Systems Inc.(TICKER: AMSY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$67,470,000	$56,421,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,113,000	$2,323,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.31	$0.22
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,066,000	10,358,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$124,152,000	$124,290,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$49,634,000	$48,095,000

-30- 1111

#90332c0235 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Overmyer Corp.(TICKER: OMCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,525,929	$7,282,487
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$(7,000)
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,386,815)	$(39,632)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.55)	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	896,214	935,911

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$16,931,357	$17,201,365
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(698,944)	$1,152,227

-30- 1056

#90332c0236 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Orthopedic Services Inc.(TICKER: OSII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,228,000	$5,757,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$563,000	$(85,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,159,934	4,309,935

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$66,903,000	$31,628,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$49,285,000	$3,628,000

-30- 1084
#90332c0239 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:23 that trade in Survival Technology Inc.(NASDAQ: SURV) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 10 1/2. The company is located in Bethesda, Maryland.

-30- 359
#90332c0240 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Monarch Capital has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange ticker symbol MON. Trading was resumed at 15:38.

-30- 342
#90332c0241 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:50 that trade in BankWorcester Corp.(NASDAQ: BNKW) has been resumed. The first sale was 7 1/2; down 3 1/4 points from the halt, and down 4 1/2 points from the previous close.

-30- 372
#90332c0242 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 28) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:56 that trade in Uni-Marts Inc.(NASDAQ: UNMA) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/4; up 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 340
#90332c0243 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, LOYD G WHITLEY, DIR. OF ADOBE RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: ADB), SOLD 10,275 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,801.

-30- 319
#90332c0244 11/28/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, KENNETH G LANGONE, DIR. OF AUTOFINANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: AFG), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 307,100.

-30- 321
#90332c0245 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JAN A PRAISNER, VP OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,000.

-30- 334
#90332c0247 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 19, 1990, ROGER R PHILLIPS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124,246.

-30- 351
#90332c0248 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, RICHARD M FURLAUD, PRES. OF BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB CO. (TICKER: BMY), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $61.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 828,879.

-30- 333
#90332c0249 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, DEAN L CAREY, DIR. OF CCNB CORP. (TICKER: CCNC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $13.11 TO $15.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,698.

-30- 305
#90332c0250 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, BOBBY L MONTAGUE, VP OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO.

(TICKER: CPL), SOLD 158 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,751.

-30- 323
#90332c0251 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, PATRICIA A MCFATE, DIR. OF CORESTATES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSFN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 326
#90332c0252 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, WARREN FINLEY, DIR. OF ELDORADO BANCORP. (TICKER: ELB), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,380.

-30- 310
#90332c0253 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, DUNCAN M MCFARLAND, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC. (TICKER: FF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,806.

-30- 380
#90332c0255 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUN 06, 1990 TO JUN 14, 1990, JEROME L KATZ, DIR. OF FLEER CORP. (TICKER: FLER), BOUGHT 2,300 SHARES FROM $20.31 TO $22.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 325
#90332c0256 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 14, 1990, JEROME L KATZ, DIR. OF FLEER CORP. (TICKER: FLER), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 288

#90332c0257 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, CHARLES R LONGSWORTH, DIR. OF FLIGHTSAFETY INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FSI), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 525.

-30- 338
#90332c0258 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GERBER PRODTS RET INVMT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF GERBER PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: GEB), BOUGHT 305 SHARES AT $51.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,296.

-30- 331
#90332c0259 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 12, 1990 TO OCT 16, 1990, DON CONRAD, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 16,640 SHARES FROM $10.38 TO $10.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 305,343.

-30- 357
#90332c0260 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 11, 1990 TO OCT 18, 1990, DON CONRAD, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES FROM $9.38 TO $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,054.

-30- 357
#90332c0261 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ROGER E ALLSOP, OFFICER OF HORSEHEAD RESOURCE DEV CO. (TICKER: HHRD), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 345
#90332c0263 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, HOWARD O BEAVER JR, DIR. OF HERSHEY FOODS CORP. (TICKER: HSY), BOUGHT 215 SHARES AT $34.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,800.

-30- 309
#90332c0264 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JAMES C SHOOK, DIR. OF INDIANA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: IEI), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 313
#90332c0265 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 21, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, ARCH B GILBERT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INTERWEST MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: IMCO), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $0.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,354,000.

-30- 370
#90332c0266 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ALVIN W HARDY, DIR. OF INTERMET CORP. (TICKER: INMT), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 213,889.

-30- 297
#90332c0267 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, FREDERICK L BRENGEL, CHAIRMAN OF JOHNSON CONTROLS INC. (TICKER: JCI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,981.

-30- 333
#90332c0268 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, GEORGE T JACOBI, SHAREHOLDER OF JOHNSON CONTROLS INC. (TICKER: JCI), SOLD 1,509 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,861.

-30- 332
#90332c0269 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOHN P KENNEDY, VP OF JOHNSON CONTROLS INC. (TICKER: JCI), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,410.

-30- 315
#90332c0271 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, R DOUGLAS ZIEGLER, DIR. OF JOHNSON CONTROLS INC. (TICKER: JCI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,400.

-30- 322
#90332c0272 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, PETER C GOLDMARK, DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $40.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 311
#90332c0273 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 12, 1990 TO OCT 23, 1990, MONROE BANK & TRUST DEPT, BEN. OWNER OF LA-Z-BOY CHAIR CO. (TICKER: LZB), BOUGHT 11,740 SHARES FROM $12.75 TO $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,488,295.

-30- 374
#90332c0274 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JACK G REAL, DIR. OF MIDWAY AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: MDW), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 305
#90332c0275 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, DONAGHYS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP.

(TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 520,970.

-30- 336
#90332c0276 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, EDWARD E WHITACRE JR, DIR. OF MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MTRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 334
#90332c0277 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUL 17, 1990 TO OCT 23, 1990, GENESIS INVESTMENT CORP, AFFILIATED PERSON OF MULTIVEST CORP. (TICKER: MVST), SOLD 80,000 SHARES FROM $0.19 TO $0.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300,000.

-30- 367
#90332c0279 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, LOWELL W ANDREAS, DIR. OF NATIONAL CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBM), BOUGHT 6,600 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 144,313.

-30- 328
#90332c0280 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, FRANK C BLODGETT, DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 320
#90332c0281 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, DON L YOUNG, OFFICER OF OKLAHOMA GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: OGE), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $38.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,110.

-30- 327
#90332c0282 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 28, 1990, DAVID C BOWERS, OFFICER OF PARK NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PARK), BOUGHT 285 SHARES AT $64.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,710.

-30- 313
#90332c0283 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, FRANCIS G RIGGS, DIR. OF PROVIDENT BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: PBKS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,215.

-30- 328
#90332c0284 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, FRANK C KIRTLEY, VP OF PIONEER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PION), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,376.

-30- 315
#90332c0285 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 10, 1990 TO OCT 05, 1990, EDWIN J NIGHBERT, DIR. OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF), SOLD 23,000 SHARES FROM $16.00 TO $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 195,360.

-30- 372
#90332c0287 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, GERALD A KIEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUN ELECTRIC CORP. (TICKER: SE), BOUGHT 7,700 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,700.

-30- 330
#90332c0288 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JAMES R YEATES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SHL SYSTEMHOUSE INC. (TICKER: SHKI), BOUGHT 6,787 SHARES AT $6.08 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,240.

-30- 342
#90332c0289 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, CHRISTOPHER LINDEN, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SOURCE CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: SOR), SOLD 160 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32.

-30- 336
#90332c0290 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, E A BREITENBACH, CHAIRMAN OF SCIENTIFIC SOFTWARE-INTERCOMP INC. (TICKER: SSFT), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,660.

-30- 358
#90332c0291 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, MELVIN JACOBS, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,750.

-30- 317
#90332c0292 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MEL L SHULTZ, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF STRATFORD AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: STRC), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES FROM $0.08 TO $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,960,701.

-30- 393
#90332c0293 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, SYMONDS TRUST CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA), SOLD 27,669 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 249,027.

-30- 341
#90332c0295 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, OSCAR C BOLDT, DIR. OF VALLEY BANCORPORATION (WI) (TICKER: VYBN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,384.

-30- 322
#90332c0296 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 29, 1990, BILL M SANDERSON, TTEE OF WESTERN GAS RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: WGR), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,018,007.

-30- 370
#90332c0297 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 29, 1990, WALTER L STONEHOCKER, TTEE OF WESTERN GAS RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: WGR), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,018,450.

-30- 376
#90332c0298 11/28/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 29, 1990, BRION G WISE, TTEE OF WESTERN GAS RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: WGR), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,018,007.

-30- 361
#90332d0020 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (NOV. 28) - About 60 million people are eligible to vote Sunday in the first pan-German parliamentary elections since World War Ii.

The vote will cap the German unification process, which began last fall with the peaceful revolution in the East and led to the Germanys' merger in October.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl, 60, and his conservative-liberal coalition - in power

since the end of 1982 - are expected to win handily.

According to recent opinion polls, Kohl's Christian Democrats (CduCsu) can expect 43.5 to 45.5 per cent of the vote, with nine to 10 per cent likely for the Liberals (Fdp).

Social Democratic (Spd) standard-bearer Oskar Lafontaine, 47, is thought to have little chance to unseat Kohl, who particularly among eastern Germans is touted as ''the unity chancellor''.

The latest polls give the Spd between 31.5 and 35 per cent of the vote. The Greens and their partner Alliance 90, formerly an East German civil rights organisation, hope to win seven to 11 per cent.

Under German electoral law, five per cent of the vote is required for parliamentary representation. An exception is being made Sunday: The five per cent rule will be applied separately in the eastern and western halves of the country.

That gives the Party of Democratic Socialism, successor to East Germany's ruling Communist Sed, a chance to win seats in the Bundestag (lower house).

-30- 1598

#90332d0240 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV. 28) - The main European car manufacturers have rejected hostility towards Japan by the French Peugeot group by deciding to create a new association to defend their interests, informed sources said Wednesday.

The move, which effectively isolates Peugeot president Jacques Calvet, could facilitate current negotiations with Japan to open the European market progressively to Japanese manufacturers from 1993, the sources said.

Mr. Calvet is the most outspoken opponent of an arrangement with Tokyo to import Japanese cars into the European Economic Community (EEC). These imports to several countries, including France, are tightly controlled by quotas.

At a meeting in Paris on Tuesday 11 of the 12 members of the CCMC (committee of EEC car manufacturers) decided to leave the committee over a disagreement with Mr. Calvet.

The 11 companies were BMW, Daimler-Benz, Fiat, Volkswagen, Renault, Porsche, MAN, Rover, Volvo, DAF and Rolls Royce.

They asked the head of BMW, Eberhard Von Kuenheim, to propose quickly the statutes of a new structure to represent the whole of the European auto industry, sources close to the companies said.

At the CCMC headquarters officials declined to confirm these reports.

The U.S.-based General Motors and Ford companies, which have several factories in Europe, were invited to participate in the new association.

The new organisation would in effect replace the CCMC and the other European grouping, the CLCA (liaison committee of car manufacturers in the EEC).

The new structure would be more "efficient" and would enable the European auto industry to "speak with a single voice", a representative of the European car industry in Brussels said.

It would be able to take some decisions by qualified majority vote instead of unanimously.

Informed sources said the dispute on Tuesday between Mr. Calvet and the other companies was on this point.

-30- 2137
#90332d0320 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 28) - The organ of Iraq's ruling Baath party Wednesday said the country would ignore a new United Nations Security Council resolution, which might authorize the use of force to oust Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

The daily Ath-Thaura said in an editorial that a U.N. resolution passed under United States influence could neither shake Iraq's stance nor force it to give up its historic right, Kuwait, the Iraqi News Agency Ina reported.

The newspaper warned U.S. President George Bush and his allies that they would ''bear the dire consequences of any military aggression''.

The parties meeting Thursday in New York to discuss the U.S.-proposed draft resolution will be ''fully responsible for giving the United States a free hand to declare a war of aggression against Iraq under the United Nations flag'', it said.

Bush and his allies ''should remember that Iraq, which stood firm during eight years of war (against Iran till 1988) and came out of that test even stronger, is capable of fighting for years and ready to sacrifice life and property in defence of its land''.

Ath-Thaura said Bush is to blame for impeding a political solution to the Gulf crisis.

-30- 1389
#90332d0410 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 28) - The number of people unemployed in France rose by 0.9 percent or by 22,000 people in October from September to total 2,522,400 on a seasonally-corrected basis from 2,500,400, according to official figures released Wednesday.

The rate of unemployment was steady at 8.9 percent of the workforce, and the figure was 0.1 percent down on the figure a year earlier.

On an unadjusted basis, the number of people unemployed was 2,588,550 which was 0.4 percent down on a year ago.

-30- 672

#90332d0430 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 28) - The British sugar group Tate and Lyle on Wednesday reported that annual profits had risen by 8.7 percent to 218 million pounds (about 431 million dollars) from 200.4 million pounds the previous year.

Sales fell by 1.1 percent to 3.43 billion pounds from 3.47 billion pounds. Profits per share rose from 26.8 pence to 30.2 pence. The final dividend was set at 6.7 pence to make a total for the year of 10 pence, up from nine pence.

The results were in line with analysts' forecasts and shares in the company lost one pence to 275 pence.

-30- 742

#90332d0480 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (NOV. 28) - Turkey refused Wednesday to be held responsible for starvation or deaths to lack of medicine in Iraq, saying it was only abiding by the ''peaceful U.N. sanctions declared in the face of Baghdad's unlawful invasion of Kuwait''.

Foreign Ministry Spokesman Murat Sungar was reacting to a weekend statement by Iraqi Trade Minister Mohammed Mahdi Saleh who said Turkey and Egypt along with the U.S. and Britain would be held responsible for the effects of the sanctions and taken to international courts for compensation.

By signing the U.N. Charter, Turkey had undertaken to obey the resolutions of the U.N. Security Council and to abide by them even if they clashed with the country's other international commitments, Sungar said.

The official said Iraq could procure ready-for-use medicine or medical equipment from or via Turkey because such items were outside the scope of the U.N. embargo.

-30- 1119

#90332d0500 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (NOV. 28) - Former Nicaraguan leader Daniel Ortega left Wednesday for Baghdad to hold his second meeting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in as many weeks.

"Conditions are good for negotiations" to resolve the Gulf crisis, Mr. Ortega told reporters in Amman. "Iraq has a genuine desire for peace. What we nesd is a genuine proposal which picks up on the Iraqi desire."

The former Nicaraguan president said his current tour of the Middle East was aimed at contributing to peace efforts.

Mr. Ortega held talks with President Hussein on November 15, and he has also visited Jordan and Libya.

-30- 793

#90332d0540 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (NOV. 28) - Lev Spiridonov was appointed director general of the official Soviet news agency TASS to replace Leonid Kravchenko, TASS said Wednesday.

Mr. Kravchenko was recently appointed head of the state radio and television committee.

Mr. Spiridonov, deputy member of the Communist party's central committee, was since April 1986 deputy editor-in-chief of Pravda, the party's mouthpiece.

Born in 1931, Mr. Spiridonov worked in the central committee's propoganda department between 1983 and 1985.

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#90332d0550 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) - Orders to U.S. factories for durable goods increased 3.6 percent in October, after dropping a revised 1.6 percent the previous month, the Commerce Department reported Wednesday.

Analysts had expected a 0.9 percent decline in October orders.

The Commerce Department announced orders for goods with a life-span of over three years reached a seasonally-adjusted 129.4 billion dollars, the largest gain since May's 4.1 percent climb.

Durable orders dropped 1.6 percent in September, and 0.9 percent in August.

Orders for durable goods provide a basis for industrial production plans, with low order levels in a given sector likely to cause job cuts there.

The department said that since the 132.1 billion dollar high in December 1988, orders followed an unstable path, fluctuating around a monthly average of 125.9 billion dollars.

"Much of the volatility was attributable to transportation equipment," department officials said.

Transportation sector orders hit 37.9 billion dollars, including automobile and aircraft purchases. They dipped 6.1 percent in September, having gained 1.0 percent in August.

Typically variable defense orders slid 10.0 percent to 7.1 billion after a 6.1 percent drop in September and a 12.0 percent rise in August.

Total orders rose 4.5 percent in October with the defense sector excluded.

Orders rose 8.3 percent in the crucial non-defense capital goods sector used as a gauge of planned business expansion, to 41.1 billion. The sector marked a 1.0 percent September gain.

Non-electrical machinery and defense goods posted the only order declines in October.

Orders for non-electrical machinery dipped 1.5 percent to 22.2 billion after a 5.5 percent September boost.

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#90332d0600 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (NOV. 28) - Syria and Britain decided Wednesday to renew diplomatic relations immediately after a four-year break, the official news agency SANA reported.

The heads of the interests sections of the two countries in each other's capitals will be named as charge d'affaires, the agency said.

(In London, British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd confirmed that the two countries were resuming diplomatic relations.

("We are now resuming relations with Syria with immediate effect," Mr. Hurd said in the House of Commons.

(Mr. Hurd said Syria had given confirmation that it "rejects acts of international terrorism and will take action against perpetrators of such acts.")

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#90332d0650 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WIESBADEN, GERMANY (NOV. 28) - The consumer price index in what was formerly West Germany fell by 0.1 percent in November compared with October on the basis of provisional figures, the federal statistical office reported on Wednesday.

Prices in November were 3.1 percent higher than one year earlier. In October prices were 3.3 percent higher than a year earlier.

A price index for unified Germany has not yet been established.

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#90332d0680 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AMMAN (NOV 28) - War in the Gulf between Iraq and the U.S.-led multinational force could last two years and will certainly not be over in a matter of weeks Iraq's first deputy prime minister warned Wednesday.

Taha Yassin Ramadan, quoted in an interview with the Jordanian news agency Petra, said Iraq was ready to confront either a long war or years of economic embargo while under military threat.

"The battle will not just last days or weeks, because a short battle does not bring positive results and does not strengthen a just demand," the deputy premier said.

"We in Iraq are ready, in case war breaks out, to confront a battle that could last one or two years, as well as the economic embargo or the threat of war," Mr. Ramadan said.

He said the U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the Gulf would fall apart "because of the large economic challenge involved in the battle."

"The presence of U.S. and Atlantic forces in the Gulf and the Arab peninsula has had the positive effect of boosting Arab ranks against America and its allies," Mr. Ramadan said.

The comments came on the eve of a United Nations Security Council vote in New York on the possible use of force to evict Iraqi troops from Kuwait, which Baghdad invaded and annexed in August.

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#90332d0730 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HELSINKI (NOV. 28) - Almost 200 Somali refugees have gathered at the border between Finland and the Soviet Union seeking political asylum, the newspaper Aamulethi reported on Wednesday.

But Prime Minister Harri Holkeri said in an interview the refugees could might be turned back. He said they did not meet the criteria of political refugees, as they only wanted to improve their living standards and were fleeing no threats.

Mr. Holkeri said the authorities were unaware how the Somalis got to the Soviet Union in the first place. Visas to enter Finland are needed for arrivals from the Soviet Union, and the Somalis did not have them.

Finnish refugee reception centres are currently full, following an influx of several hundred Somalis some months ago. On average, it is taking eight months to process requests for asylum.

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#90332d0770 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 28) - Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi on Wednesday accused foreign journalists, particularly the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), of constantly provoking the Kenyan government.

Addressing a fund-raising rally in western Kenya's Kakamega district, Mr. Moi charged that even Kenyan newspapers had joined the foreign press in efforts to destroy the country's stability by feeding the public with "nothing but lies".

He challenged the BBC to say "why they no longer reported on neighbouring Uganda, where only children can now be found, nor ask where all the adult men had disappeared."

"But here, where there is peace and stability, even if you chase your chicken to kill, foreign jouranlists who have mostly worked as war correspondents in trouble-torn areas around the world would report that there is war in Kenya", President Moi said amid laughter from the audience.

"Even when a donkey was removed from a Lamu street, the BBC reported that the Kenyan government had arrested a donkey", the Kenyan president said in reference to a light-hearted official Kenya News Agency (KNA) report from the Indian Ocean holiday resort on Saturday that was picked up by most of the foreign press based in the Kenyan capital.

"The BBC was reporting nothing, but provocation on Kenya", President Moi added.

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#90332d0810 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAVANA (NOV. 28) - Cuban Foreign Minister Isidoro Malmierca will attend Thursday's U.N. Security Council debate on authorizing the use of force to expel Iraq from Kuwait, the government announced Wednesday.

The official news agency AIN said Mr. Malmierca would be accompanied by his top deputy, First Vice-Minister Alcibiades Hidalgo.

He was the only foreign minister of the Security Council's 15 members who had not previously confirmed his participation in Thursday's session, which was called by the United States to vote on a draft resolution authorizing the use of force if Iraq does not pull out of Kuwait by January 15.

Out of 10 Security Council resolutions on the Gulf crisis, Cuba has twice voted against the measures aimed at forcing Iraq's withdrawal, once casting the sole dissenting vote and once joining Yemen, the council's only Arab member.

Cuba has said it would once again join Yemen and possibly other council members in voting against the U.N.-sponsored resolution.

Cuba has also been critical of the United States, currently the council president, for preventing debate on a resolution demanding an international conference on ways to protect Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories.

The United States has sought to postpone consideration of the resolution out of fear that it could be forced to veto any measure deemed unfairly critical of Israel and thus anger Arab governments whose support is needed in the confrontation with Iraq.

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#90332d0820 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (NOV. 28) - The United States has announced restrictions on imports of Nigerian textiles, the "Business and Economic Digest", the official bulletin of the United Bank For Africa (UBA), said in its current edition.

The edition, delivered Wednesday to AFP here, said the U.S. government took the measure, effective last August, following disruption of the U.S. market by textiles from Nigeria, UBA said. (It is one of the three biggest banks in Nigeria.)

The step is a retaliatory measure by the U.S. against Nigeria, which in 1988 banned imports of wheat and rice following a huge foreign exchange outflow, economist analysts said.

Nigeria, which spent 250 million dollars a year on wheat imports in the early 1980's, was the sixth-largest market for U.S. wheat exports before the ban was imposed, the bulletin said.

A former U.S. ambassador to Nigeria, Princeton Lyman, had threatened that his country would retaliate, an official source recalled.

His successor, Lannon Walker, told Nigerian minister of trade and tourism Senas Ukpanah at a meeting in Abuja, Nigeria's future capital, earlier this year that his country wanted Nigeria to reduce textile exports to the United States.

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#90332d0930 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ALGIERS (NOV 28) - All 32 Belgian hostages in Iraq will be released, informed sources reported here Wednesday.

Quoted by the Algerian news agency Aps, the sources said Iraqi authorities had informed Algiers that the Belgians would be freed.

The release was linked to a visit to Algiers by Belgian King Baudouin Wednesday, Aps said, and Algeria had joined in efforts to have the hostages freed.

In Baghdad, a Belgian parliamentary delegation said it had learned of the intention to free the Belgians from sources in Algiers. A spokesman said a plane bringing medical supplies from Brussels would return to the Belgian capital with the freed hostages.

Two former Finnish government ministers, British ex-minister Tony Benn and American former heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali continued to wait in Baghdad Wednesday for news from Iraqi authorities that they could return home with some hostages from their countries.

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#90332d1110 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV 28) - Death threats have been made against some political prisoners in Rwanda, a committee for respect of human rights and democracy there alleged here Wednesday.

It said mass pits for graves had apparently been dug along the banks of the River Nyabarongo near the capital Kigali. There was a "plan for the physical elimination" of prisoners in the coming few days, the committee said.

Lorryloads of prisoners had been moved from Kigali to unknown destinations which could well be military camps, it said.

Military ruler Major-General Juvenal Habyarimana had on November 13 promised that a full list of all political detainees would be published, but the justice ministry had now said publication was being put off until the end of the month. Relatives feared some "troublesome" prisoners would be secretly executed between now and then, the committee said.

Since rebels attacked from Uganda on October 1, an estimated 3,500 to 6,000 people have been arrested. State radio reported on November 14 that 2,500 people had been freed.

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#90332d1200 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV 28) - Siemens AG, Germany's biggest electrical and computer firm, announced Wednesday it would spend at least one billion Deutsche marks (710 million dollars) in 23 projects in the former territory of East Germany.

The plan, one of the biggest expansion schemes in the east unveiled by the private sector, includes purchase of ailing state firms that manufacture basic telecommunication equipment and industrial electronics, Siemens board member Hans-Gerd Neglein told a press conference.

The company already has 6,000 employees in the east, and the figure should rise to 15,000 by the year-end, he said. In the mid-term, the payroll should rise to between 25,000 and 30,000, Mr. Neglein said.

The company is expecting a fivefold increase in the electricals market during the 1990s, and much of the demand will come from eastern Europe, with which the former German Democratic Republic has historical trade ties, he said.

Among the companies bought by Siemens are six units owned by the former Kombinat, or state enterprise, for communications and automation equipment.

Siemens has also signed a cooperation deal with Computer-Elektronik Dresden, a successor of Robotron, the state computer firm, he said.

It is also close to wrapping up five other takeover projects with the Treuhandanstalt, the agency charged with privatising state assets, Mr. Neglein said.

These include two cable factories in Schwerin and Meissen, respectively in the far north and south, a signalisation factory in Berlin, and plants to manufacture high-voltage equipment in Halle and Leipzig, also in the south.

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#90332d1230 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 28) - The Paris Bourse suffered its third straight losing session on Wednesday, as the CAC-40 stock price index finished down 0.29 per- cent on the day, after opening with a drop of 0.69 percent.

French investors retained a very cautious attitude toward putting funds into the stock market, but the market was stimulated briefly by hopes for a

U.S.-Iraqi dialogue on the Gulf crisis.

It quickly fell back into a depressed mood, pending the opening on Wall Street which came in little changed and hence did not stimulate the limping Bourse.

A statement on Wednesday by Fed chairman Alan Greenspan that the U.S. economy has definitely weakened did nothing to restore optimism, and the markets had already drawn the same conclusion.

As to individual stocks, SAE (Societe Auxiliaire d'Entreprises) was again the session's star, jumping by six percent on the day on volume of 177,000 shares. Ten per cent of its capital has changed hands since the start of the week.

Thomson, Peugeot and Saint-Gobain all gained ground, while Ingenico (off six percent) and Olipar (down 5.7 percent) fell to their lows for the year.

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#90332d1260 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 28) - Six of the most prominent intellectuals and students arrested following last year's pro-democracy movement, including student leader Wang Dan, have been charged with "counter-revolutionary activities," a reliable Chinese source said Wednesday.

The six, who were notified of the charges against them on Saturday, are expected to be tried in the next few months.

Another 20 to 30 people detained following Beijing's bloody suppression of pro-democracy protests here in June 1989 have been tried secretly during the last three weeks but have not been informed of their sentences, the source added.

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#90332d1270 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KASSEL, Germany (NOV 28) - Soviet and German companies agreed Wednesday to import at least six billion cubic meters of Soviet natural gas to the territory of former East Germany, it was announced here.

Wintershall AG said the agreement was reached between its Berlin subsidiary, Wintershall Erdgas Handelshaus GmbH, and Soyuzgasexport of the Soviet Union, which sells natural gas to the West.

The agreement is based on a long-term cooperation agreement in gas production and marketing, reached October 11 between Wintershall's parent, BASF AG, and Soviet firm Gasprom, the world's biggest gas producer, it said.

The Soviet Union is already the largest gas exporter to west Germany,

providing it with around 15 billion cubic metres of its annual needs of 60 billion.

Meanwhile, the east German gas distributor, Verbundnetz AG of Leipzig, unveiled plans to complete conversion of its network from coal gas to natural gas.

If given official approval and funds, the firm would open negotiations with the Soviet Union, Norway and other exporters to gain access to secure supplies, Verbundnetz chairman Klaus-Ewald Holst said.

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#90332d1450 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EINDHOVEN, Netherlands (NOV 28) - Dutch electronics giant Philips has borrowed two billion U.S. dollars from an international banking syndicate led by American bank Credit Suisse First Boston ltd, the group announced here on Wednesday.

Group spokesman Ben Geerts said the funds would be used to pay down part of the group's short- and long-term debt that is coming due.

As of September 30, debts and provisions accounted for 69.9 percent of the Group's total liabilities of 56 billion guilders (34 billion dollars). Short-term debts at that time amounted to 8.8 billion guilders.

The spokesman said the repayment plan is spread out until April 30, 1996, and was concluded "on market conditions". He said the loan shows that the banks "have confidence" in the Group's future.

Last July, new Philips chairman Jan Timmer launched a wide-ranging plan to restructure the multinational, which will lead to the cutting 35,000 to 45,000 jobs worldwide, or 15 percent of the present staff, by the end of next year.

Some 4.5 billion guilders have been added to the company's reserves for financial 1990 for restructuring costs. As a result, the Group expects a net loss of four billion guilders this year.

In addition to CSBF, the syndicate consists of Citi Bank (U.S.), Union Bank (Switzerland), Credit Lyonnais and BNP (France), ABN-AMRO and Rabobank (Netherlands), and Berliner Handelsbank-und-Frankfurter (BHF) of Germany.

Financial circles expressed "concern" about the loan, one Amsterdam stock market operator said. He called it "dangerous" and said "one might well wonder what Philips offered as security".

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#90332d1500 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
London (NOV. 28) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,244.00 (1,278.00) 1,263.00 (1,297.50)
Lead 328.00 (334.00) 334.25 (341.50)
Zinc Sh 1,252.50 (1,268.00) 1,243.50 (1,259.50)
Tin (in dollars) 5,945.00 (5,940.00) 5,950.00 (5,955.00)
Aluminium (in dollars) 1,526.00 (1,541.00) 1,560.50 (1,575.50)

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#90332d1570 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV 28) - Any war against Iraq, even with an early victory, would mean a high casualty rate for troops of the U.S.-led allies assembled in the Gulf.

While the U.S. Pentagon talks in terms of several thousand dead, the Center for Defense Information (Cdi) - an institute specialising in defence policy - estimates there would be between 2,000 and 10,000 killed among forces opposing Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, depending on the tactics chosen.

Baghdad, it reckons, would have between 6,000 and 35,000 troops killed. The estimates take no account of civilian casualties.

The bloody scenario is looking ever more likely with the latest signals coming out of the Gulf.

''I think war is justified,'' says Democratic Senator Sam Nunn, Chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, who has summoned Defence Secretary Dick Cheney and Chief of General Staff Colin Powell for consultations next week. ''The question is whether it's wise...''

The Iraqis have drawn a solid defence line in Kuwait and southern Iraq. Western experts say any attacking force would have to fight through minefields, napalm traps, earthworks and trenches along a 300-kilometre stretch in the Kuwaiti, Iraqi and Saudi border area.

Any attempt to circumvent it would prove very difficult in the desert terrain.

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#90332d1700 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (NOV 28) - China on Wednesday accused the Soviet Union of backtracking on essential components of a peace plan that Moscow ratified along with the four other permanent members of the U.N. Security Council.

"The attitude of the Soviet Union owes nothing to chance," said the People's Daily, the official organ of the Chinese Communist Party.

The newspaper said Moscow, along with Phnom Penh and Hanoi, wanted to restrict the powers of the United Nations, to which the Security Council permanent members planned to delegate the administration of Cambodia before free elections are held.

Moscow now also opposed the dismantling of the Cambodian government of Prime Minister Hun Sen as set out in the peace plan, which called for its replacement with a Supreme National Council (SNC), the People's Daily said.

The SNC is made up of six representatives from Phnom Penh and six others nominated by the tripartite resistance.

The newspaper said the Soviet Union had retreated from the five documents approved by the five permanent Security Council members.

"The Soviet Union wants to restrict the powers vested in the United Nations and has used a variety of pretexts to protect the interests of the Phnom Penh government," the newspaper said.

The criticism contrasts with a recent marked improvement in Sino-Soviet relations, as demonstrated during last week's talks on the Gulf crisis between Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen and his Soviet counterpart Eduard Shevardnadze.

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#90332d1740 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV 28) - American Express on Wednesday opened its first travel and financial services centre in east Germany, ADN news agency reported.

The office, in the southeastern city of Dresden, will be followed by others in Leipzig and East Berlin, it quoting the firm as saying.

American Express has 1,600 agencies in 120 countries. Fourteen of them are in west Germany.

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#90332d1820 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV 28) - The city of Moscow, which has meat supplies for between three and five more days and milk for only 60 percent of its requirements, plans to issue its own currency to regulate food purchases, Moscow executive committee President Yuri Lujkov told journalists on Friday.

The food situation in the Soviet capital was "critical", he said.

Mr. Lujkov indicated that the city was issuing its own currency in order to limit shortages caused by the daily arrival of between two million and three million non-Muscovites, and to assure fixed and stable prices.

"The amount of this money would be linked to the volume of the city's resources. Each person will receive between 50 and 55 rubles in Moscow money, which will permit him or her to buy products at stable, low, non-commercial prices set by the government," he said.

The municipal council, which was meeting for two days to discuss the situation said that unless the city received more meat there remained "between two and five days of meat stocks".

Moscow storage facilities contained 15,000 tons of meat compared with a normal level of between 45,000 tons and 50,000 tons, according to the council.

Mr. Lujkov said that "The situation in the milk product sector is also extremely difficult. It is a question mainly of problems of discipline and of egoism by some regions which should deliver milk products to Moscow, and which in fact limit these deliveries."

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#90332d1920 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK, Nov 28 (AFP) - A time bomb exploded Wednesday at the border of Burma's southern Karen state, seriously wounding eight people, state-run Rangoon Radio said.

The blast rocked a customs checkpoint in Myawadi, some 250 kilometers (150 miles) southeast of Rangoon, the radio said in a broadcast monitored here.

Myawadi is the gateway to Karen state, home to the ethnic Karen National Union insurgents who have been fighting for autonomy from Rangoon's central government since Burma gained independence from Britain in 1948.

Karen insurgents are suspected of responsibility for three other blasts targeting the same checkpoint since last November which have killed 11 people.

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#90332d1970 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAPE TOWN (NOV. 28) - Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Party has turned down an invitation to attend a Thursday summit meeting of black political leaders, organizers said Wednesday.

The summit, convened by anti-apartheid cleric Archbishop Desmond Tutu in a bid

to foster unity among warring black groups, is to take place at Mr. Tutu's home here.

Archbishop Tutu's office said in a statement that delegations from the black nationalist African National Congress (ANC), led by its deputy president Nelson Mandela and the hardline Pan Africanist Congress (PAC), would be among the participants.

Mr. Mandela and PAC vice-president Clarence Makwetu recently told a summit of African leaders they intend to work towards unity. Mr. Makwetu indicated the PAC would join the ANC in peace talks with the white-minority government if the government could be convinced to form a constituent assembly.

Archbishop Tutu called for the summit during an address last month to the Synod of the Anglican Diocese of Cape Town.

He appealed to black leaders of substantial political movements to get together to plan a joint strategy on negotiations and to adopt a code of conduct on political dealings.

They had to decide how to handle factional violence and promote unity and peace, he said.

Reacting to the Archbisop's summit call at the time, Mr. Buthelezi said he wanted to nurture the ongoing peace talks in the eastern port city of Durban between Inkatha and the ANC and could not see how they could "overfly these peace talks to all of a sudden meet in a summit."

During September and October, some 800 blacks died in South Africa's worst-ever outbreak of political violence, most of which involved clashes between Inkatha-supporters and residents of black townships around Johannesburg loosely united under an ANC banner.

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#90332d1990 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TRIPOLI (NOV. 28) - Libyan leader Colonel Moamer Kadhafi on Wednesday blamed King Fahd of Saudi Arabia for the failure of Libyan mediation efforts between Baghdad and Riyadh.

The two sides had initially agreed to a proposal for an Iraqi-Saudi summit this week but King Fahd "backed down at the last minute," Libyan Information Minister Ali Abu Jazeya quoted Col. Kadhafi as saying.

Col. Kadhafi had proposed the meeting, the minister told reporters in Tripoli, and was hoping the U.N. Security Council would vote against the use of force in the Gulf to allow the mini-summit a chance to achieve a peaceful solution.

The Security Council is to vote Thursday on a resolution authorizing the use of force to drive Iraqi troops out of Kuwait.

"Libya is exasperated by the stubborn parties," Col. Kadhafi was quoted as saying. "The Gulf crisis no longer concerns it, and it will let the parties -- Saudi, Kuwaiti and Iraqi -- pay the price of their stubbornness."

Col. Kadhafi had originally planned to hold a press conference Tuesday to announce the Saudi-Iraqi summit but it was called off because of the Saudi refusal, Libyan officials said.

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#90332d2060 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV 28) - Algeria is closing its embassy in Nairobi and missions in other capitals will also be shut as an economy measure, it was announced here Wednesday.

The outgoing Algerian ambassador, Abdelmajid Fasla, made the disclosure at a farewell luncheon hosted by the Kenyan Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

He said Algerian affairs in Kenya would henceforth be looked after by the Algerian mission in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, until circumstances permit to re-open the embassy in Nairobi.

Similar action in many other countries is under consideration, he added. Fasla himself will be transferred to Nigeria.

Recently, Somalia announced that it was closing nine missions abroad for financial reasons, but it did not spell out which embassies would be affected.

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#90332d2170 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (NOV 28) - A high-ranking European Economic Community (EEC) official called here Wednesday for a big cut in the fishing fleet of EEC countries, and suspension of fishing in EEC waters during spawning periods.

European Fisheries Commissioner Manuel Marin said the need to restore dwindling fish stocks would define future EEC fishery policies.

He said the EEC might help compensate crews and shipbuilders for unemployment over two years from 1992.

Speaking after a meeting of the European Commission, the EEC's executive arm, Mr. Marin quoted a study saying that the fishing fleets of EEC countries were 40 percent too large for fish stocks.

He said all varieties of catches would be affected by the conservation measures and that cuts of over 40 percent could be made mandatory for the most threatened species in the North Sea.

The best way to restore fish stocks, he said, would be a complete ban on fishing from October to March -- a period of "biological rest" when fish could reproduce.

The commissioner added that EEC fishing fleets would not be allowed to make up their catches elsewhere. About 25 percent of the EEC fish haul comes from international waters or waters of other countries.

Studies have shown that 90 percent of the major fish types in the North Sea are being fished out four times faster than they can reproduce. Some experts say the stocks might soon reach a point where recovery is no longer possible.

The commission has recommended that the mesh in fishing nets be enlarged so that younger, smaller fish of threatened species -- particularly cod, haddock and whiting -- can escape and breed.

But last week Britain, the Netherlands and other EEC nations rejected this because they said it would reduce catches by nearly 70 percent.

Mr. Marin complained Wednesday that catch quotas set by the commission were flouted because some EEC countries did not enforce them properly. Satellite surveillance of fishing fleets is being considered.

He said he planned next month to propose a ban on driftnet fishing.

EEC countries have about 300,000 commercial fishermen, but the fishing industry provides nearly two million jobs. In 1987 the total EEC fish catch was nearly seven million tons -- 7.5 percent of the world catch.

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#90332d2200 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (NOV. 28) - Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Vladimir Petrovski met here Wednesday with Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati and praised Iran's "principled stand" on the Gulf crisis, the official news agency IRNA reported.

The Soviet envoy briefed Mr. Velayati on his country's stand in the U.N. Security Council as well as on the recent visit to Moscow by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz, the agency said.

Praising Iran's "principled stand" on the crisis, he delivered a message from Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and an invitation for Mr. Velayati to visit the Soviet Union.

Mr. Velayati renewed calls for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait but stressed that security in the Gulf was the responsibility of regional states rather than foreign troops, IRNA said.

The Soviet envoy, quoted by Teheran Radio on his arrival earlier Wednesday, said his mission was the "last phase" of Moscow's efforts to find a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Petrovski, who toured Arab states earlier this month, was also expected to deliver a "verbal message" from Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to his Iranian counterpart Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani.

The U.N. Security Council was to meet Thursday to discuss a U.S.-sponsored resolution allowing the use of force against Iraq to end its almost four-month-old occupation of Kuwait.

The Soviet Union has said it favours such a vote, but the Soviet deputy foreign minister insisted that Moscow still wanted to give Baghdad "a final chance for a peaceful settlement."

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#90332d2230 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS, (NOV 28) - The European Economic Community (EEC) is considering an 80 per cent cut in its fish quota in the Northwest Atlantic in order to patch up relations with Canada, an EEC official said here Wednesday.

EEC Commissioner Manuel Marin said the EEC's executive was to propose the quota cut in fish caught in international waters off Newfoundland, a measure which would affect mainly Spanish and Portuguese fishing trawlers.

Relations between the EEC and Canada have been tense since 1985 because of the refusal by EEC countries to stick to the organisation's low quotas on the grounds that they were unnecessary to conserve fish stocks.

Last week in Paris, the two countries signed a cooperation accord. An EEC source said here Wednesday that, after signing such an agreement, the EEC could not allow itself to "pirate fish" off the coast of Canada.

Canada has accused EEC fishermen of pillaging fish stocks off Newfoundland. The Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation, which groups 23 countries including the EEC 12, proposed the 80 per cent quota cut in September.

EEC fishery ministers are to discuss the commission's quota cut proposal at their meeting here next month.

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#90332d2350 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 28) - Union Carbide would have no right to reclaim a 470 million dollar settlement on the fatal Bhopal gas leak if India's Supreme Court sets aside the decision, the court heard Wednesday.

Attorney General Soli Sorabjee, representing the Indian government, said the amount the U.S. multinational paid New Delhi under a February 1989 agreement must remain in India on terms and conditions set by the court.

A five-judge panel headed by Indian Chief Justice Ranganath Misra began hearing petitions in April from survivors of the 1984 gas leak, who are challenging the settlement on grounds the award was inadequate.

Some 3,300 people died of exposure to methyl iso-cyanate that escaped from a pesticide plant owned by an Indian subsidiary of Union Carbide in Bhopal, central India, in December 1984. Another 200,000 people were reportedly maimed.

Mr. Sorabjee said that if the court sets aside the award, Union Carbide should be barred from reclaiming the money unless it honours an earlier commitment to maintain its estimated three billion dollar assets in India.

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#90332d2370 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAPE TOWN (NOV. 28) - The fishing master of the Japanese trawler Toei Maru was found guilty here on Wednesday of fishing in South African waters between September 18 and November 21 without a permit, state-run radio said.

Mitsuo Ebisuda, 46, was fined 300,000 rand (114,000 dollars) or three years imprisonment and a further two years suspended for five years by the Cape Town Regional Court.

The fishing equipment used and the fish were confiscated by the state.

Magistrate J.P. Vermaak said if gill-nets had been used the sentence would have been harsher.

He said illegal fishing was regarded as theft of South African resources and resulted in the loss of much-needed foreign income from exports.

Mr. Vermaak also took into account that this was the first offence by a Japanese trawler.

Earlier on Wednesday, charges against the captain of the ship, Norio Tsutsui, were dropped.

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#90332d2420 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAMMU, INDIA (NOV. 28) - Indian security forces rounded up 97 suspected Moslem militants and seized dozens of weapons Wednesday in Kashmir, where gunbattles left three militants dead, police said.

Three other people were injured when a powerful bomb exploded outside a shrine here, the Press Trust of India (PTI) quoted police as saying. The agency did not identify the shrine, which was not damaged.

A police spokesman said the army and paramilitary troopers detained 97 suspects in a house-to-house search for militants waging a campaign for the succession of the Moslem-majority Kashmir Valley.

He said 41 Chinese-made AK-47 assault rifles, 31 pistols, 41 Chinese-made hand-grenades, 14 rocket-launchers and rockets, 13 light machine-guns and more than 12,000 rounds of ammunition were also seized.

Security forces shot dead one militant during a gunfight in Anantnag and two others in the Kupwara area of this disputed northern state, the spokesman said.

Four paramilitary troopers were injured in separate militant attacks in Srinagar, the summer capital of the state and urban hub of the militancy, Wednesday, he said.

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#90332d2460 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) - The White House Wednesday said the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) had been misled into reporting that Iraq was not using fissionable material to make nuclear bombs, a threat Washington has been using to justify its strong anti-Iraqi stance.

"The International Atomic Energy Agency is wrong," spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said.

He was referring to a report the internation agency had issued Tuesday in Vienna saying that 12 kilograms (27 pounds) of nuclear fissionable material in Iraq had been accounted for and was not being used to build a nuclear-weapons facility.

The highly-enriched uranium had been retrieved from Iraq's Osirak nuclear reactor, which the Israeli Air Force bombed in 1981.

The IAEA report, based on an on-site inspection last week by two of its experts, was the latest in a series of wildly conflicting statements on how close Iraq was to building a nuclear bomb.

"They see only what Iraq wants them to see," Mr. Fitzwater said of the IAEA

inspectors, a Nigerian and a Soviet.

"We disagree quite strenuously ... we don't believe they saw all the information," he added.

An intelligence report quoted in The Washington Times Wednesday said Iraq was only six months away from developing a crude nuclear device capable of being dropped from a plane.

That report contained the combined assessment of the United States' foremost intelligence agencies and served as a basis for President George Bush's Thanksgiving Day speech in Saudi Arabia in which he sounded the alarm about Iraq's imminent nuclear capability.

Other nuclear weapons experts instead have upheld the IAEA report, saying the agency's six-month inspections were foolproof.

Former Central Intelligence Agency director and defense secretary James Schlesinger testified Tuesday before the Senate Armed Services Committee -- which is holding a hearing on the Gulf crisis -- that Iraq needed between four and 10 years to develop its own nuclear bomb, depending on whether it got outside help.

While acknowledging that "no one knows precisely" how close Baghdad was to having nuclear weapons, Mr. Bush last week said the mission of U.S. forces in the Gulf was marked by "a real sense of urgency."

The United States has brokered a draft U.N. resolution allowing the use of military force to push Iraqi troops out of Kuwait which will be voted Thursday by the Security Council.

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#90332d2490 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (NOV. 28) - The United Arab Emirates (Uae) has urged Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to pull his troops out of Kuwait in order to spare Iraq and the entire Arab region the disaster of war.

The plea was made by Uae crown Prince and Deputy Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces, Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed al-Nahyan, in an interview with the London-based Lebanese weekly magazine al-Hawadess to be published Thursday.

Khalifa called on Iraq to respond positively to international peace efforts, saying that the massive military buildup in the Gulf was firm proof of the international community's rejection of the Iraqi aggression and occupation of Kuwait.

Referring to the U.S.-dominated multinational force deployed in the Gulf

following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, he said: ''The Arab, Islamic and friendly forces came to the region only after Iraq invaded Kuwait and posed threats to the states in the region.

''However, these multinational forces will return to their countries whenever asked to do so as previously agreed on.''

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#90332d2540 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 28) - The United States Wednesday urged Bangladesh to use restraint in dealing with the violent political problems that have rocked that country in recent weeks, and to work toward free democratic elections.

U.S. State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said "we urge restraint by the government and all parties to avoid further violence."

"We call for all involved to peacefully address the issues that have sparked the violence," Mr. Boucher added, "and to work towards free and fair democratic elections."

Widespread violence has plagued Bangladesh in recent weeks, heightened after a state of emergency was declared Tuesday by President Hussain Mohammad Ershad.

Mr. Ershad, 61, who took power in a bloodless coup in 1982, imposed the state of emergency late Tuesday, outlawing a general strike called by the opposition for Wednesday to protest violence which had raged for several days at Dhaka University.

Bangladesh's top opposition leaders, Sheikh Hasina Wajed of the Awami League and Begum Khaleda Zia of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party, were put under house arrest late Tuesday in a police swoop only hours before the state of emergency was declared.

The emergency proclamation came at the height of an opposition campaign to oust Mr. Ershad and stage fresh elections under a neutral, caretaker government.

Mr. Boucher also said the State Department would issue a travel advisory Wednesday suggesting that U.S. citizens postpone travel to Bangladesh until further notice.

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#90332d2720 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 28) - Occupying Iraqi troops took two more U.S. citizens hostage at their homes in Kuwait Tuesday, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said Wednesday.

Mr. Boucher added that the two U.S. citizens were taken to the Regency Hotel in Kuwait City before their expected transfer to the Hotel Mansour-Melia in Baghdad.

The spokesman said that five of the eight U.S. hostages who were being held at the Melia-Mansour had been transferred to strategic sites within Kuwait. Iraqi officials offered no explanation for the transfer, which marks the first time hostages have been sent to serve as "human shields" in Kuwait and not in Iraq.

Mr. Boucher also said the United States had learned that Iraqi troops had stepped up their searches for Westerners.

"We find that there is an inescapable irony in the fact that Saddam Hussein is attempting to appear magnanimous by releasing hostages while, at the same time he intensifies house-to-house searches for more to take their place," the spokesman said.

With regard to U.S. diplomats still holed up in their Kuwaiti embassy, Mr. Boucher said they planned to stay as long as they were able.

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#90332d2820 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN SALVADOR (NOV. 28) - Leftist guerrillas, vowing "black days" ahead for the Salvadoran army, said Wednesday they would keep up their week-old military offensive against the government.

The statement followed a rebel attack on a prison housing political detainees on the outskirts of San Salvador and more fighting in the town of Suchitoto, 44 kilometers (27 miles) east of the capital.

Guerrillas attacked the Mariona prison under a barrage of mortar fire late Tuesday, and fought government troops guarding the penitentiary for nearly six hours before making a predawn retreat.

As many as three soldiers were killed and 11 people were wounded, including two civilians, officials said.

Guerrillas also attacked the positions of an artillery brigade in Suchitoto before dawn, but there were no official reports of casualties in the fighting there.

The FMLN high command issued a statement warning "black days await the anti-democratic armed forces. Our units have instructions to give no rest to enemy troops anywhere in the country."

Fearing a rebel attack, the army has begun documenting all civilians who live

in the vicinity of the First Infantry Brigade in San Salvador, the largest military base in the country. Similar measures were being taken at other bases around the country, officials said.

The rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) have carried out attacks almost daily since launching a large-scale offensive November 20 to improve their position in U.N.-sponsored peace talks with the government.

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#90332d2840 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (NOV 28) - The U.N. Security Council met in informal session Wednesday but failed to agree on a vote on a Cuban-sponsored draft resolution on the Israeli-occupied territories.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker planned bilateral meetings on the issue, which loomed as a threat to U.S. efforts to win the Security Council's approval for the use of force against Iraq.

Foreign ministers from the 15 member countries of the Security Council are scheduled to meet Thursday to debate a U.S.-sponsored resolution that would authorize the use of force if Iraq does not withdraw from Kuwait by January 15.

But the U.S. strategy was complicated Tuesday when Cuban Ambassador to the United Nations Ricardo Alarcon de Quesada accused his U.S. counterpart Thomas Pickering of blocking a vote on the draft resolution on the Israeli-occupied territories.

The resolution -- introduced two weeks ago by Cuba, Yemen, Malaysia and Colombia with amendments by Finland -- calls for a U.N. ombudsman in the occupied territories and a conference in Geneva on ways to protect Palestinian residents.

The Cubans had argued that since the Palestinian resolution had been introduced first, it must be voted on first under U.N. rules.

Mr. Pickering, who is chairman of the council during November, responded by calling Wednesday's informal consultations.

Diplomatic sources said agreement on a vote on the Palestinian issue was impossible at Wednesday's meeting, opening the way for the Israeli-Palestinian issue to be taken up Thursday during the foreign ministers meeting on the Gulf.

The United States, which has resisted efforts to link the invasion of Kuwait and the Israeli-occupation of the West Bank and Gaza, apparently was not ready to vote on a resolution condemning Israel, diplomatic sources said.

Two previous Security Council resolutions condemned Israel for a riot in East Jerusalem in which 18 Palestinians were killed by police fire and Israel's refusal to cooperate with a U.N. investigation of the killings.

If the United States voted for the resolution, it would anger Israel and its supporters in the United States. But if Washingtpon voted against, it would risk angering Arabs and alienating allies before the key vote on Iraq.

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#90332d2910 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (NOV. 28) - Italy suffered a balance-of-payments deficit in October of 2.35 trillion lire (2.13 billion dollars), the Italian Statistics Institute ISTAT announced here on Wednesday.

The deficit was 361 billion lire in September, but for the year's first 10 months, the balance of payments shows a surplus of 21.17 trillion lire, an improvement over the surplus of 17.00 trillion lire recorded for the same period last year.

The Institute added that in October, Italy's official foreign exchange reserves fell by about the same amount as that month's balance-of-payments deficit, to a new total at the end of October of 106.55 trillion lire.

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#90332d3280 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FOZ DO IGUAZU, BRASIL (NOV. 28) - The presidents of Argentina and Brazil Wednesday signed an accord designed to end a 35-year-old nuclear rivalry by opening their nuclear industries to inspection and outside control.

Brazil's President Fernando Collor and Argentina's President Carlos Menem signed the agreement here at a ceremony also attended by the director general of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), Hans Blix.

The agreement, said Mr. Menem, would establish the "exclusively pacific ends of our nuclear programs."

Both countries have suspected one another of secretly striving to develop a nuclear weapons ever since Argentine president Juan Domingo Peron established a National Commission on Atomic Energy in 1955.

Neither country is known to have succeeded in building a nuclear device although the Brazilian government earlier this month acknowledged that the military had tried to build one under previous governments.

Mr. Collor personnally shut down a deep shaft that the military had dug in the Amazon for nuclear tests and government officials assured that the A-bomb

program had been "completely abandoned."

Under the agreement signed Wednesday, the two countries approved a common system of accounting and control enabling them to monitor each other's activities in the nuclear field.

They also pledged to exchange information on their nuclear installations and produce inventories of nuclear material within 45 days as well as begin inspections of their centralized record-keeping systems.

They also agreed to begin negotiations with the IAEA on a joint agreement on nuclear safeguards.

The two countries further expressed their intention to pursue initiatives to bring them into full compliance with the 1968 Treaty of Tlatelolco, which calls for a Latin America free of nuclear arms.

"We have approved a common system of accounting and control, which will be implemented and applied to all the nuclear activities of our two counties, including those of (uranium) enrichment and reprocessing," said Mr. Collor.

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#90332d3320 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) - The U.S. Defense Department is looking for a way to do battle in the Gulf, but instead of guns and ships it is seeking swimming pools and boats to wage a war against boredom among U.S. troops.

The Pentagon wants to use cruise ships for rest and recuperation (R and R) for the thousands of U.S. forces who have been stationed in the Gulf since Iraq invaded Kuwait last August.

The ships are requested to be able to hold at least 600 passengers, include entertainment, food, bar and hotel service, and English-speaking crews.

Bids were due Tuesday and the first ships could reach the Gulf by Christmas, sources said.

"The interest has been varied because there could be some risks," said an official of a consulting firm serving as an intermediary for several steamship companies considering the Pentagon proposal.

"The owners are also concerned about the wear and tear on ships and also about taking them out of the itinerary for future cruise service," said the official who spoke on condition that neither he nor his company be identified. "So it's not likely that many of the modern ships are going to be looking for this type of job."

Drinking alcohol is illegal in Saudi Arabia where U.S. ground forces are stationed. None of the neighboring countries that allows drinking can or want to serve thousands of fun-hungry troops.

Priority would be given to vessels flying the U.S. flag.

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#90332d3440 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV 28) - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze predicted Wednesday that the U.N. Security Council would approve a U.S.-sponsored resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq.

Mr. Shevardnandze made the comment at the start of a meeting here with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, who declined to make any predictions on the outcome of the Security Council vote.

Both are in New York to attend Thursday's meeting of the Security Council, which is to bring together the foreign ministers of the council's 15 member countries.

Mr. Shevardnadze said he expected "a positive vote in the sense that the draft resolution will gain support."

China's Foreign Minister Qian Qichen has said he would not vote in favor of the U.S. draft resolution, which gives Iraq until January 15 to withdraw from Kuwait. But China was not expected to use its veto.

"I don't think it will affect the impact of the resolution," Mr. Shevardnadze said of a possible Chinese abstention. "I do hope we will be able to preserve the unity of the council. I will do my best to preserve the unity."

U.S. efforts to obtain the council's approval for the use of force have been complicated by a parallel resolution sponsored by Cuba on the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza.

Meeting informally Wednesday, Security Council members were unable to reach agreement on the resolution, which called for a U.N. ombudsman to monitor the condition of Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories.

With no agreement, the way was open for the resolution to be taken up again at Thursday's meeting, thereby indirectly linking the Gulf crisis to the Arab-Israeli conflict -- a linkage Washington has strived to avoid.

Mr. Baker was scheduled to meet later Wednesday with Cuban Foreign Minister Isidoro Malmierca, their first meeting since December 1988. Mr. Shevardnadze said he too planned to meet with Mr. Malmierca.

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#90332d3560 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PAPEETE, French Polynesia (NOV 29) - France has for the first time authorised an expedition from the ecology group Greenpeace to the controversial French nuclear testing site on Mururoa atoll, officials said here Wednesday.

They said talks were underway for the organisation of the visit by the ship Rainbow Warrior II, the successor to the Greenpeace vessel that French secret agents blew up and sank in Auckland harbour in July 1985.

France was then trying to prevent Greenpeace from investigating conditions at Mururoa, a far-flung atoll of its Pacific territories. One person died in the explosion, which caused a major scandal and was to lead to the resignation of the French defence minister.

French officials here said that the new Greenpeace team would be allowed to meet with scientists on Mururoa and to take samples.

Critics of French testing on the atoll claim that successive explosions have cracked the ocean floor around it, creating a risk that radiation could escape.

France's High Commission for Polynesia said in a statement that it the French state authorities were "ready to organise a Greenpeace visit to Mururoa as soon as the association (Greenpeace) has agreed to the principle" of such a visit.

Greenpeace's coordinator on the Rainbow Warrior II, Stephanie Mills, expressed satisfaction and said things were "going in the right direction."

The vessel was expected to leave for Mururoa, which is several hundred kilometres east of here, on Thursday and to spend around six weeks inspecting the atoll and its environs.

Greenpeace scientists aboard -- Norman Buske and Bruce Gabites -- plan to take samples for analysis. Also present on the expedition is Ingela Maartenson, a member of the Swedish parliament.

Members of the Greenpeace party also said that a dispute over the captain of the Rainbow Warrior II, Peter Willcox, and crew member Sue Ware, was in the process of being resolved, and they would be able to take part in the Mururoa expedition.

French officials had initially refused them permission to go ashore on Tahiti, the island on which Papeete is located, because of an expulsion order made against them during Greenpeace's 1985 campaign.

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#90332d3620 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (NOV 29) - The U.N. Security Council Wednesday extended by two months the mandate of its observer group overseeing the ceasefire between former Gulf War opponents Iran and Iraq.

A resolution called on U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to report in January on the future of the 230-member observer unit (Uniimog).

Perez has already urged the Security Council to halve the number of U.N. observer troops after Iran and Iraq had reached agreement in the last few months on a number of contentious issues outstanding from the 1980-1988 Gulf War.

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#90332d3700 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PIETERMARITZBURG, SOUTH AFRICA, (NOV 29) - A 28-year-old conscientious objector was sentended here to a 12-month suspended jail sentence and 2,400 hours community service for refusing to serve in South Africa's army.

Passing sentence on Michael Graaf, magistrate Johan Grebe said while his refusal to perform national service was not justifiable, he was not "an ordinary type of criminal," the South African news agency SAPA reported.

Mr. Graaf later said his sentence represented a victory, and applauded the logic of community service as a sentence.

The chairman of the anti-apartheid End Conscription Campaign in Durban, Rob Goldman, said the sentence could create a precedent for the treatment of conscientious objectors in future.

He said it was a step forward and indicated a "more open attitude by the state" but said the ideal was to abolish conscription which would help create trust in the negotiation of a new South Africa.

Mr. Graaf was sentenced to perform 40 hours of training under the Red Cross Society and thereafter to perform 2,360 hours over four years at a black hospital in the eastern port city of Durban.

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#90332d3720 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (NOV 29) - Shell oil and its joint venture partners should get a green light within the next month to build China's largest oil refinery, the official China Daily reported.

Shell, which owns 50 percent of the joint venture, is to link up with five

Chinese oil companies for a total investment of 2.5 billion dollars, the newspaper said Wednesday.

The petrochemical complex in Huizhou, in the southern province of Guangdong, is to include a refinery with a capacity of five million tonnes per year and an ethylene plant that should produce 450,000 tonnes of chemical products annually.

The refinery will process South China Sea heavy crude, which requires advanced technology.

China, which ships much of its crude oil abroad for refining, is seeking to increase its domestic refinining capacity through the use of Western technology.

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#90332d3770 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (NOV 29) - Chancellor Helmut Kohl on Wednesday made a new appeal to Germans to come to the aid of the Soviet population, faced with a dramatic food crisis as winter takes hold.

In a televised speech, Mr. Kohl reminded Germans that without Soviet cooperation German unity would not have been possible.

It was now time for Germans to help ease the food crisis in the Soviet Union, an act that was above all one of "neighborliness."

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, in attempting to set his country on the path towards a market economy, was faced with a "difficult test," the chancellor said.

"Winter is at the door," Mr. Kohl said. "The threat of famine exists in many cities and towns in the Soviet Union."

Meanwhile, the German Red Cross said late Wednesday that a first convoy would leave for the Soviet Union by road on Friday, bearing packages of food for the needy. The German Red Cross has pledged food aid in the form of 5,000 such packages.

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#90332d3790 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MEXICO CITY, Nov 28 (AFP) - Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari said Wednesday any free-trade accord with the United States would not include Mexico's state-run oil industry.

Mr. Salinas, who discussed the free trade pact with U.S. President George Bush

Monday and Tuesday, said the government did not want to give up state control of the oil industry, which was nationalized in 1938.

"We will not modify the constitutional provision that establishes our nation's ownership and control over oil," said Mr. Salinas.

Although oil was not on the agenda in his talks with Mr. Bush in Monterrey, Mexico, "I did touch on the topic, given its importance," Mr. Salinas said.

During Mr. Bush's visit to Monterrey, U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady announced that the Export-Import Bank had agreed in principle to extend a line of credit of up to 1.5 billion dollars to the state-run Petroleos Mexicanos (PEMEX) to buy U.S. goods and services.

Mexico and the United States announced in June their intention to negotiate a free trade accord, but the crisis in the Gulf has sharpened U.S. interest in Mexican oil.

To help offset shortages prompted by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and the U.N.-mandated economic embargo against Baghdad, Mexico increased production by 100,000 barrels a day.

In the first quarter of this year, Pemex exported some 1.3 million barrels of oil a day -- 60 percent of which went to the United States.

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#90332d3830 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (NOV. 29) - A party of 68 Italian nationals allowed to leave Iraq by President Saddam Hussein arrived here late on Wednesday on a special Alitalia flight from Amman.

Meanwhile, the authorities in Baghdad told a delegation of visiting Canadian members of parliament that six out of the 47 of their compatriots being held would be allowed to leave the country.

The former Italian hostages were accompanied back to Rome by Monsignor Hilarion Capucci, the Catholic archbishop of Jerusalem.

They included Italy's ambassador to Kuwait, Mario Colombo, who remained at his post for 42 days after Iraqi troops invaded the Gulf emirate on August 2.

Mgr. Capucci, who had visited Baghdad with an Italian peace delegation, said he planned to return to the city on Sunday in a bid to obtain freedom for the 160 remaining Italian hostages in Iraq and Kuwait, as well as that of hostages of other nationalities.

Officials here said a 69th Italian hostage was released on Wednesday, but

because he was ill he had been taken out of the country earlier on a special flight. Another hostage who had been told he could leave the country had opted to stay.

The announcement that six Canadian hostages would be released was made in Baghdad by MP's Robert Corbett, Lloyd Axworthy and Svend Robinson, who are visiting Iraq.

The three MP's stressed that they had not made any concessions to Iraq to obtain the freedom of the six.

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#90332d3870 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABIDJAN, (NOV 29) - Violence broke out Wednesday between security forces and striking cab and truck drivers in the west African state of Togo, leaving at least 30 people injured, according to witnesses contacted by phone from the Ivory Coast capital.

Taxi and truck drivers, on strike nationwide since Monday, smashed cars and government buildings Wednesday morning in the city of Sokode, 300 kilometers (185 miles) north of the capital Lome, witnesses said. Portraits of Togo President Gnassingbe Eyadema were also destroyed.

A witness said protestors hurled rocks at security forces who charged back with batons. Thirty people were taken to hospital, he said.

Goverment troops were reported to be occupying most strategic points in Sokode late on Wednesday,

The taxi and truck drivers' strike, the biggest movement of social unrest since President Eyadema took power in 1967, disrupted business activity in the Togo capital on Wednesday, an Agence France-Presse reporter there said.

The drivers are demanding an end to police harassment and protesting against a new regulation that requires them to renew their permits every six months.

Togo national radio, monitored here, made no mention of the incidents in Sokode.

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#90332d3880 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AJACCIO, CORSICA (NOV. 29) - The facade of a courthouse was sprayed with gunfire on this French Mediterranean island on Wednesday, the second such incident in two days, police said.

Several attackers armed with what appeared to have been assault rifles took

aim from a car at the French flag flying over the courthouse here, according to police.

No one was injured.

On Tuesday a group opened fire on a courthouse in the Corsican city of Bastia. The banned Corsican National Liberation Front claimed responsibility for the incident.

Earlier Wednesday some 2,000 students demonstrated in Corte for the preservation of the Corsican culture and language.

Several hours later bullets grazed four riot police stationed to protect a French government building in the town. There were no injuries, police said.

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#90332d3890 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV 29) - The United Nations Security Council voted here Wednesday to adopt a resolution calling on Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to take over the records of the Kuwait government and its population.

The resolution, passed by all 15 of the Security Council's members, also ''condems the attempts by Iraq to alter the demographic composition'' and the destruction of civil records of Kuwait.

Data on Kuwait's population of 1.75 million is stored on 25 computer discs which were smuggled out of the Iraqi-occupied emirate a few weeks ago, Kuwait's U.N. ambassador, Mohammad Abulhassan said.

Security Council members, who the previous day had been told by Kuwait exiles of Iraqi ''piracy'' in Kuwait, continued to voice fierce criticism of the Iraqi government.

Britain's U.N. ambassador, Sir David Hannay, accused Iraq of trying to wipe out Kuwait's identity. Iraq had made conditions for Kuwaitis so unbearable that half the population had left the country and been replaced by Iraqis, he said.

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#90332d3930 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze announced Wednesday that they will meet in Houston, Texas next month for two days of talks devoted mainly to the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks (START).

The two men met in preparation for a Security Council meeting Thursday that is expected to approve a U.S.-sponsored resolution authorizing the use of force

against Iraq if it fails to withdraw from Kuwait.

Mr. Baker said the Houston meeting is to take place December 10 and 11 after which Mr. Shevardnadze is to meet in Washington with President George Bush.

Besides the START negotiations, the two ministers would also discuss the Gulf crisis "in a very serious and substantive way," Mr. Shevardnadze said.

The Soviet foreign minister said they tended to achieve more working away from their respective capitals.

In Jackson Hole, Wyoming in September 1989 and in Irkutsk, on Lake Baikal in the Soviet Union at the end of July and beginning of August, they made considerable progress in negotiations for a START treaty to reduce Soviet and U.S. nuclear arsenals by 30 to 35 per cent.

A summit between Mr. Bush and President Mikhail Gorbachev depends on the conclusion of the treaty. Mr. Shevardnadze said he was not sure whether the summit would be held in January or a little later.

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#90332d4240 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 29) - The Philippines' power supply shortfall in the first nine months of the year shot up by 253 percent over the last comparable period and has contributed to an ongoing economic decline, an industry report published here Thursday.

State-run National Power Corp. (NPC) figures show that the unfulfilled energy demand from January to September 1990 totalled 391.90 gigawatt-hours, up from 110.95 gigawatt hours in the same period last year.

NPC plants account for 93.4 percent of the country's power supply, of which 38.25 percent is produced by oil-thermal plants, 3.97 percent by gas turbines and 4.66 percent by diesel plants. The rest are from hydrothermal, geothermal and coal plants.

Electricity demand began to rise shortly after President Corazon Aquino came to power in February 1986, as the economy began to recover from a crisis in the waning years of the Ferdinand Marcos dictatorship.

Rising demand soon put pressure on the NPC's aging plants. This, coupled with Mrs. Aquino's decision to mothball a 600-megawatt nuclear power plant, drought and destructive typhoons last year caused an acute power shortage in the first quarter.

Big manufacturing firms in and around Manila voluntarily shut down their machinery at certain hours during this period rather than risk damage, thus

contributing to reduced production.

The Gulf crisis and rising oil prices have put added pressure on the cash-strapped Aquino administration, which has already forecast a recession next year.

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#90332d4280 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 29) - The Asian Development Bank (ADB) said Thursday it approved its first loan to China since the June 1989 massacre of pro-democracy demonstrators led to Beijing's isolation from the international community.

The 50 million dollar loan to the Agricultural Bank of China (ABC) will help modernize small and medium-sized agricultural enterprises in five eastern provinces, a statement by the Manila-based bank said.

The ABC will relend the loan proceeds at a two per cent spread to sub-borrowers for importing equipment, materials and services needed by enterprises in the provinces of Jilin, Shandong, Jiangsu, Fujian and Guangdong.

The loan is intended to raise the living standards of poor rural families, some of whom have an annual income of less than 200 yuan (38 dollars), the ADB statement said.

It would help create 21,000 jobs, contribute at least 45 million dollars a year to the economies of the five provinces and provide "critical support" to private enterprises, including joint ventures with foreigners, the bank said.

The ADB loan, payable in 15 years at a variable pool-based rate with three years' grace period, was the first granted to China since the People's Liberation Army crushed a pro-democracy movement in Beijing.

The deaths of perhaps hundreds of students caused worldwide condemnation of China and a freeze on loans from industrial countries and multilateral institutions like the ADB.

The isolation began to ease earlier this year when Japan announced it would resume assistance and the World Bank also agreed to relax the lending ban.

The new ADB loan was accompanied by a 480,000 dollar technical assistance grant to enhance the ADB's capability for project lending and investment analysis, the ADB said.

Sub-borrowers may also use the loan proceeds to undertake pre- and post-investment studies costing not more than 100,000 dollars, the ADB said.

China joined the ADB in 1986, despite the vehement opposition of founding

member Taiwan, and has since borrowed slightly more than 500 million dollars from the bank, including the latest loan.

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#90332d7730 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (NOV. 28) - Australia's ANZ Banking Group Ltd reported here Wednesday a 42.8 per cent drop in profit to 412.5 million Australian dollars (316.1 million U.S.) after tax and before abnormal items in the year to September 30.

Chief executive Will Bailey said the bank had suffered a blow-out on bad debts with charges for provisions for bad and doubtful debts rising 157.7 per cent on the previous year to 793.2 million dollars (607.8 million U.S.).

Mr. Bailey said the bank would cut staff numbers by 1,000 this year, reduce costs by five per cent over the next four years and conduct a "radical review" of its operations, including the sale of non-core businesses.

Chairman Milton Bridgeland said the profit result -- a reversal of the 42.8 per cent growth to 721.7 million dollars (553 million U.S.) for 1989 -- followed a "difficult and testing year covering probably the harshest economic environment for small and medium-sized businesses in Australia since World War Two."

Shares in the banking group fell to a low of 3.66 dollars after the result from an early high of 3.84 dollars from Tuesday's close of 3.77 dollars. ANZ was trading at 3.73 dollars at the mid-session break.

The bank announced a fall in annual dividend to 38 cents from 44 cents previously.

Net profit after abnormal items was down 36.8 per cent on the previous year at 221.5 million dollars (169.7 million U.S.).

ANZ's was the worst result for Australia's three main commercial banks.

Earlier this month Westpac Banking Corp reported a 39.3 per cent profit drop to 486 million dollars (372 million U.S.) in the year to September 30, while National Australia Bank Ltd was down 3.1 per cent to 767 million dollars (588 million million U.S.).

Mr. Bailey said the bank experienced a "rapid deterioration in conditions" in the final quarter and this, coupled with the "increasingly volatile and uncertain global economic environment", had influenced the dividend cut.

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#90332d7740 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 28) - Japan's motor vehicle exports rose 11.2 percent from a year earlier to 514,581 units in October, the Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association said Wednesday.

Exports to the United States, the largest importer of Japanese cars, surged 14.6 percent to 219,337 units, while those to Asia jumped 37 percent to 56,688 and to Europe 1.1 percent to 130,256 units.

Of the total, passenger cars soared 13.1 percent to 391,086 units, trucks rose 5.7 percent to 120,398 units and buses 10.4 percent to 3,097 units.

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#90332d7760 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (NOV. 28) - Rolls-Royce has appointed its first dealership in Thailand with high hopes of selling its cars to wealthy, style-conscious Thais, a spokesman for the Bangkok-based dealer said Wednesday.

But the dealership, AAS Auto Service Co. Ltd., is aimed mainly at providing maintenance and repair services to the 100 Rolls-Royces already on the roads in this southeast Asian country, its services chief Piyasawat Suddan said.

Mr. Piyasawat said seven potential buyers of new models, each priced at 21-35 million baht (840,000-1.4 million dollars) including taxes, had contacted the dealership since its appointment last month but that no orders had been placed.

But the dealership still hopes to sell Rolls-Royces in Thailand where import tariffs on cars run around 500 per cent and the gross national product per person last year was 31,875 baht (1,275 U.S. dollars).

AAS Auto Service is also a dealer and servicer of new and rebuilt Porsches, selling three or four of the sports cars a month for two to three million baht (80,000-120,000 dollars) each, Mr. Piyasawat said.

Singapore-based Rolls-Royce mechanics are expected to arrive here next month to train the dealership's mechanics, and it is to move into a new showroom early next year, he said.

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#90332d7830 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 28) - Japan's industrial production rose 7.6 percent in October over a year earlier, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry said in a preliminary report published Wednesday.

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#90332d7890 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 28) - Sales by Japanese large-scale retailers rose 4.7 percent in October from a year earlier to 1.734 trillion yen (13.5 billion dollars), the International Trade and Industry Ministry (MITI) said Wednesday.

MITI officials said furniture, art objects, and sporting goods were selling well at department stores, reflecting brisk consumer spending.

Sales by 377 department stores increased 5.3 percent to 959 billion yen (7.5 billion dollars) while sales of 1,969 supermarkets increased 4.0 percent to 775 billion yen.

They attributed the steady sales figures for the supermarkets to higher prices of fresh vegetables thanks to mild weather.

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#90332d7960 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MEXICO CITY (NOV. 28) - The Export-Import Bank of the United States has agreed in principle to a loan of 1.5 billion dollars to Mexico's Petroleos Mexicanos (Pemex), a government communique said Tuesday.

The agreement on the loan was announced by U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady at a news conference Tuesday in Monterrey, about 700 kilometers (430 miles) north of Mexico City, at the conclusion of a two-day visit by U.S. President George Bush with Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari.

Pemex will use the loan to pay for U.S. goods and services "destined for the program of investments" by the state-owned oil company in 1991, and forms part of the budget plan submitted to the Mexican Congress two weeks ago, the statement said.

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#90332d8070 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (NOV. 28) - Japan has made progress in abiding by a U.S. computer chip agreement but will not have reached full compliance by the time the pact expires next year, a trade group reported Tuesday.

The Semiconductor Industry Association, in its annual report to President George Bush on the progress of the 1986 chip agreement, addressed the pact's two key elements: preventing Japanese semiconductor makers from dumping, or selling their chips below production costs, in the U.S. market, and opening the Japanese market to foreign chips.

The report concludes that the pact "has succeeded in containing instances of dumping, and in moving toward a more open market for foreign semiconductors in Japan," said Wilf Corrigan, chairman of the trade group, in an accompanying

statement.

"However, despite the recent progress that has been made, Japan will not have fully complied with the terms of the agreement when it expires next July," he said.

Mr. Corrigan, who is chairman and chief executive of chip maker LSI Logic Corp., called for a new pact "to ensure that the objectives of the 1986 agreement are achieved."

Andrew Procassini, president of the trade group, said in an accompanying letter to Mr. Bush that progress had been hampered because Japan "did not begin its initiatives in earnest until almost three years into the agreement."

According to the report, Japan has made progress in opening its market to foreign semiconductors. Foreign chips have gained 13.3 per cent of the market in this year's second quarter, up from 8.5 per cent when the agreement was signed.

"U.S. companies are aggressively pursuing opportunities in the Japanese market " the trade group noted.

The report said anti-dumping measures had sparked new investment in the categories of U.S. chips most threatened by the practice: dynamic random-access memory chips and erasable programmable read-only memory chips.

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#90332d8170 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 28) - South Korea's economy has grown by almost 10 percent in the first three quarters of 1990, surpassing expectations due to a construction boom and to consumer spending, the government said Wednesday.

The Gross National Product (GNP) grew 9.6 percent during the third quarter of the calendar year of 1990, bringing the overall GNP growth rate for the first nine months to 9.7 percent, the government said.

The GNP is the total market value of services and goods produced by a nation over a set period.

If the trend continues, the total GNP growth rate for 1990 will be 9.2 percent this year, as fourth quarter growth is expected to be slow due to the economic problems brought on mainly by the crisis in the Gulf.

The expected growth would still however be much higher than the initially projected 6.5 percent, the officials of the Economic Planning Board (EPB) said.

The government already raised the projection from 6.5 percent to 8.5 percent

at the end of June this year.

An EPB official said the higher-than-expected growth rate was mainly due to booming construction and expanding domestic consumption rather than growth in manufacturing industries and exports.

"This country cannot rely on domestic markets for a sustained growth," he said adding that consumer spending and construction already began declining in the second half of this year.

Construction grew 27.5 percent during the first nine months to September, more than double the growth rate of 11.8 percent of the same period of last year, as manufacturing grew 8.5 percent, up from 3.3 percent.

The service sector also expanded 9.2 percent, up from 7.9 percent.

Consumer spending grew 10.4 percent, up from 9.9 percent from the same period last year. Fixed investment including construction and production facilities soared 24.5 percent, up from 14.0 percent.

Exports increased 5.8 percent, up from minus 3.9 percent, during the same period last year, but imports jumped 15.4 percent, up from 14.3 percent during the same period in 1989, the official said.

The South Korean government, saying that the economy was undergoing a slowdown has loosened credit lines to business firms and revived export loans, as the economy was actually growing at a rapid pace.

The excess liquidity is now feared to fuel inflation as it coincides with rising oil prices.

EPB officials said this year's inflation rate would be 9.5 percent, up from 5.1 percent this year.

"Next year's inflation would be worse because of the Gulf crisis," another EPB official said, adding that the government had been delaying raising utility charges this year to keep the inflation rate below ten percent.

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#90332d8260 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD, Nov 28 (AFP) - A huge fire swept through Pakistan's biggest gas fields plant in Baluchistan province on Wednesday, killing at least two people and injuring up to 50, official sources said.

A purification plant at the Sui gas field was still ablaze, 12 hours after the fire broke out just after midnight.

A spokesman for Pakistan Petroleum Limited (PPL) said at least two people had died but unofficial reports said the casualties could be higher.

The cause was not immediately known but an official blamed a leak in the gas plant.

Sui is the country's biggest natural gas field. Experts say the reserves are sufficient to meet the country's fuel and industrial requirements until the next century.

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#90332d8280 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (NOV. 28) - Australia received more bad news Wednesday in official figures showing a rise in both its current account deficit and foreign debt for the September quarter.

The Bureau of Statistics figures showed rising imports and falling prices for wool and cereals forced the current account deficit up 19 percent to 4.46 billion dollars (3.4 billion US) in seasonally adjusted terms.

The Bureau also reported that gross overseas debt was 11.4 billion dollars (8.74 billion U.S.) higher than the 154.17 billion dollars (118.14 U.S.) in the previous corresponding quarter.

Net foreign debt -- gross debt less foreign reserves -- rose to 124.5 billion dollars (95.4 billion U.S.) in the September quarter from 122.77 billion dollars (94.1 billion U.S.) in the preceding June quarter and 116 billion dollars (88.9 billion U.S.) a year earlier.

However, a more accurate guide will be provided Thursday in national account figures which could show the economy to be in recession, defined as two successive quarters of negative growth.

However, Prime Minister Bob Hawke said Wednesday that whether or not the national accounts indicate recession in technical terms, the economy was poised for "considerable recovery" in 1991.

He said he was "not running away from the word" recession.

"Obviously there has been a lowered level of activity and there has been pain in the community," Mr. Hawke told journalists in Perth.

"But what I'm saying, and I'll repeat here, is that the economy will go into, I think, considerable recovery in 1991."

June quarter national accounts showed negative growth of 0.9 percent and a second contraction in the September quarter would confirm a technical

recession.

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#90332d8410 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 28) - Iraq on Wednesday appealed for negotiations with U.S. President George Bush on the eve of a U.N. vote that could authorise the use of force against Baghdad.

"The American President Bush, who is leading the whole world towards a devastating war, has no other choice but to return to reason and enter into a dialogue to avoid the catastrophies of war in the region," First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan told a press conference here.

Iraq has made several such appeals in the past but they have been systematically rejected by the United States, which heads an international coalition demanding an immediate and unconditional Iraqi troop withdrawal from Kuwait.

The U.N. Security Council is to meet Thursday to discuss a U.S.-sponsored resolution that would sanction the use of force against Iraq to end its nearly four-month-old occupation of Kuwait.

U.S. and Arab forces from Egypt, Syria and Morocco are among a 350,000-strong multinational troop deployment in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf region, where they face up to 700,000 Iraqi soldiers entrenched in Kuwait and southern Iraq.

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#90332d8530 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIRUT (NOV. 28) - Prime Minister Salim al-Hoss on Wednesday accused Israel of planning a new wave of "aggression" against his country and denounced Israeli military activities in southern Lebanon as terrorism.

Mr. Hoss was reacting to a statement by Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens that the "the installation of a pro-Syrian government in Beirut encouraged terrorist actions."

Such remarks, Mr. Hoss charged, "are well-known pretexts to justify continued Israeli aggression against Lebanon."

The Israeli army, which patrols a "security zone" in southern Lebanon, has recently come under renewed attacks, including a raid by a Palestinian commando unit Tuesday that left five soldiers dead.

Israeli authorities have expressed concern over an accord this month under which eight secular and religious militias agreed to withdraw from Beirut and to hand over their positions to the regular Lebanese army.

There are fears in Israel that several of the militias will re-deploy in southern Lebanon to harass Israeli units in the region.

Israeli troops have staged frequent raids deep into Lebanon to attack Palestinian and other "terrorist" bases. In 1982 Israeli units pushed all the way to Beirut to drive out the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Mr. Hoss denied that anti-Israeli operations in southern Lebanon constituted terrorism.

"It is the continuing Israeli occupation of southern Lebanon, in defiance of United Nations resolutions, that is the real terrorism," Mr. Hoss said.

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#90332d8660 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NOUMEA (NOV. 28) - France's Societe Le Nickel (SLN) will continue its investment policy despite an uncertain world nickel market, company president Yves Rambaud said here.

The weakening of the dollar and the increase in oil prices "could have made us decide to modify some of our investment plans," Mr. Rambaud said, but added the company "had no intention" of reducing its 200 million dollar investment plan launched last year.

SLN, the world's third largest producer of nickel and largest producer of ferronickel, also hopes to boost production at its mine here from 42,000 tons in 1990 to 47,000 tons in 1991, he said.

Mr. Rambaud, who has just ended a visit to this French South Pacific territory said the world market for nickel, New Caledonia's main economic resource, was currently depressed and uncertain.

The market was closely tied to the international economic situation, he said, adding the "we can expect a general slowdown in economic activity over the next few months.

New markets could open up for nickel producers in the mid-term if the reconstruction of Eastern European countries stimulated the economies of Western countries.

But this could be counter-balanced if the Soviet Union, which with exports of 80,000 tons per year was the main supplier of nickel to European foundries, "rocked the market by exporting 10,000 to 20,000 more tons," he warned.

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#90332d8760 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN (NOV. 28) - Oil imports by western Germany rose 13 percent to 53.8 million tonnes, but the import bill grew more slowly, by 8.9 percent, to 13.2 billion marks (8.9 billion dollars) in the first nine months of 1990, authorities said here Wednesday.

The Federal Office of Statistics noted that the effect of the Gulf crisis on oil import prices began to make itself felt during the third quarter.

While German oil imports in the quarter rose 9.9 percent compared to the second quarter, the import bill was 17 percent higher, the office noted.

Also, while western German imports of other petroleum products during the third quarter fell by 2.1 percent, the costs for these rose 6.3 percent compared to the second quarter, the office said.

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#90332d8890 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 28) - African coffee farmers have lost more than 1.6 billion dollars since the collapse of the International Coffee Agreement 15 months ago according to Kenyan Vice-President George Saitoti.

"The lifting of quotas has led to increased export volumes which has caused considerable build-up of stocks in consumer countries leading to the 40 per cent drop in coffee prices, local newspapers quoted Mr. Saitoti as saying in a message to an Inter-Africa Coffee Organization meeting which opened here Tuesday.

The slump in world coffee prices after the breakdown of the agreement, which set export quotas, had led to a decline of 1.6 billion in African producers' earnings, said Mr. Saitoti who is also Kenya's Finance Minister.

Africa's share of the world coffee market has slipped from about 30 per cent in the early 1970s to 24 per cent, he added.

He called on delegates from African coffee-producing countries attending the five-day meeting to look at ways of cutting production costs without sacrificing quality.

In May, Kenyan coffee farmers, enraged at low prices, threatened to uproot their plantations. Coffee is Kenya's second biggest foreign exchange earner.

The free market had not benefitted any producers, Mr. Saitoti said.

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#90332d8910 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (NOV. 28) - Indonesia is mediating in the dispute between the United States and the European Economic Community (EEC) in a bid to assure success for the Uruguay Round of trade talks, Indonesian Trade Minister Arifin Siregar said Wednesday.

"As leader of the Indonesian delegation, we try to mediate in the problem faced by the United States and the Cairns group on one side and the EEC on the other, so that they can do their best to turn the Uruguay negotiations into a success," Mr. Siregar said after meeting Indonesian President Suharto.

He said Indonesia had been trying to persuade member countries to take part in the next round of negotiations on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) in Brussels early in December.

Washington and the Cairns group, which also includes Indonesia, have threatened to boycott the Brussels ministerial meeting should no significant compromise be offered by the EEC on the issue of farm subsidies before that.

The United States has demanded that the EEC slash its farm subsidies by 75 percent while the Community has only been willing to reduce them by 30 percent.

But he said he believed it was unlikely the EEC would be able to make significant consessions because of current political events in Europe. He pointed to the upcoming German elections and said farmers there represented a large and influential vote.

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#90332d8920 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 28) - The Philippine government's budget deficit more than tripled as of October, the treasury bureau said here Wednesday.

The country suffered a budget deficit of 29.86 billion pesos (1.06 billion dollars) from the start of this year to October 22, 1990, an increase over the 7.2 billion pesos (257.1 million dollars) posted in the same period last year.

The government's failure to control its budget deficits led to the scrapping of a three-year 900 million dollar agreement with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) last month.

The IMF and Manila are presently trying to work out a new agreement but the Fund is reportedly skeptical about Manila's ability to raise enough revenue to check the public deficit.

Government revenues fell short of projections by 3.16 per cent or by 4.56 billion pesos (163 million dollars) as expenditures overshot their target by 4.03 per cent or 7.02 billion pesos (251 million dollars), the treasury bureau said.

Revenues as of October 22 amounted to only 144.11 billion pesos (5.15 billion dollars) while expenditures rose to 173.97 billion pesos (6.2 billion dollars.). The Philippines GNP averages officially 45 billion dollars.

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#90332d8950 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 28) - Bank of Japan Governor Yasushi Mieno said Wednesday his central bank would maintain its tight grip on credit, despite recent cutbacks in prime rates charged by long-term credit banks.

He told a regular press conference the two rate cuts in two months by 0.8 point to 8.1 per cent "reflected the short-term movements of the market."

"It might have some psychological impact but our monetary policy should be viewed from a long-term perspective," he said.

In August, the Bank of Japan raised the official discount rate by 0.75 point to 6.0 per cent for the fifth hike in the key lending rate in 15 months.

A growing number of economists and market players forecast the economy to start slowing down at the outset of the next year as reflected by the cuts in the long-term prime rates.

But Mr. Mieno reiterated his view that the Japanese economy would continue expanding at least this year.

He also suggested the pace of Japanese economic growth should be reduced from an annual rate of five per cent to four per cent to take the heat off domestic prices by easing the supply-demand balance.

In a report Wednesday, the bank said sales and current profits by major manufacturing companies in fiscal 1989 rose to the highest level in 16 years as they strived to streamline their operations and expand their own capital.

Citing a survey of 379 major manufacturing firms, the report said their sales-profit ratio in fiscal 1989 rose 0.36 points to 6.01 per cent, the highest since fiscal 1972 when it stood at 6.23 per cent.

Fiscal 1989 ended on March 31 this year.

The ratio for the non-manufacturing sector, excluding trading firms, rose 0.19 points to 3.73 per cent, the report added.

Despite worsening external factors, like the yen's appreciation and higher crude oil prices, profitability of major corporations was expected to remain stable in fiscal 1990, it added.

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#90332d9050 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (NOV. 28) - The German railworkers' union reopened talks Wednesday with the Deutsche Reichsbahn, the former East Germany railway company, as traffic on the network returned to normal after a two-day strike, union officials said.

The talks centre on the union's demand for job guarantees and for east German railway employees to get pay rises giving them at least half of the western wage, they said.

The strike was called throughout the Reichsbahn late Sunday after its 260,000 employees voted massively in favour of an unlimited stoppage.

Passenger traffic throughout the former German Democratic Republic was brought to a standstill, except for suburban routes.

The union eased the strike late Tuesday, saying it had received indications that the government was prepared to ease its position on job cuts.

Transport Minister Friedrich Zimmermann has targeted 68,000 jobs that, he says must be cut if the network is to be saved. He also wants investment of 100 billion Deutsche marks (71 billion dollars) over the next 10 years.

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#90332d9150 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SINGAPORE (NOV. 28) - Singapore Airlines (SIA), the U.S. carrier Delta Airlines and Swissair said Wednesday that higher oil prices triggered by the Gulf crisis would not affect their trilateral alliance.

They said a meeting of top executives here Wednesday had "set new guidelines and new directions" for the partnership formed last year to promote cooperation in operations and cross-purchases of common stock.

SIA's managing director Cheong Choong Kong told a news conference that the primary objective of the partnership was better service for customers including automation of operations, special fares, sharing of airport lounge facilities, joint passenger handling and promotions.

"When we got together we did not foresee the Gulf crisis and the higher fuel prices," Mr. Cheong said.

Both Mr. Cheong, Delta's chairman Ron Allen and Swissair president Otto Loepfe emphasised that the crisis would not affect the partnership among the three carriers, which together serve more than 300 cities in 80 countries.

"This alliance was formed for long-term relationships, not for short-term gains," said Mr. Allen.

SIA, which has consistently been voted among the top five airlines in the world in numerous surveys, signed a 10-year alliance with Delta in October last year and a long-term agreement with Swissair in December.

Mr. Cheong said the looming recession in the United States saw SIA's passenger and cargo load fall one to two percentage points from April to September compared with the same period in 1989.

The three partners also unveiled the new logo of their trilateral alliance which "symbolises the commitment of the three airlines to customer service par excellence worldwide."

"The meeting in Singapore has set new guidelines and new directions while the first in Atlanta in June laid the groundwork on directing and managing our activities," Mr. Cheong said.

He added there would be more joint activities, such as a door-to-door global express service for small parcels, and greater sharing of resources.

Mr. Allen said that the three airlines were competitors as well as cooperators and being grouped together in the alliance did not prevent each of them from expanding individually.

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#90332d9160 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 28) - Japan and North Korea are holding talks on setting up a satellite link, a move that could boost discussions on establishing diplomatic ties.

Yasuo Koseki, a director of Japan's international telecommunications firm KDD, arrived in Pyongyang Tuesday to "sign an agreement on (a) direct communication circuit via satellite between Korea and Japan," the Korean Central News Agency said Wednesday in a report monitored here.

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#90332d9180 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN (NOV. 28) - A man whose attempt to rob a bank was foiled by the bank's employees set fire to the building, injuring three people, police said Wednesday.

The man, who was about 25 according to witnesses, escaped and was still being sought by the police.

Police said the bank's employees were not intimidated by the would-be thief's threats and refused to hand over any money. The man then poured petrol on the floor before setting fire to it.

Firemen evacuated two employees and a client who were overcome by the thick smoke. They were hospitalized suffering from burns and intoxication.

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#90332d9200 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) - A top-secret U.S. intelligence report estimated that Iraq would be capable of building a "crude" nuclear weapon within the next six months, The Washington Times reported Wednesday.

The report, which drastically reduced earlier estimates of a five-year lead time, was circulated among high-ranking U.S. officials earlier this month, the daily said.

The revised assessment spurred President George Bush's Thanksgiving Day speech last Thursday which sounded the alarm about Iraq's imminent nuclear capability the paper said.

Called a Special National Intelligence Estimate, the report was produced by the National Intelligence Council, a special analytical center under the direction of William Webster, head of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).

It is based on the views of the CIA, the National Security Agency, the Defense Intelligence Agency, military service intelligence units, and State and Energy department intelligence offices, the paper said.

The new assessment said that Israeli intelligence believes Iraq already has assembled a basic nuclear weapon, the paper said.

Iraq's first nuclear weapon reportedly would be of questionable reliability and could not be delivered by a ballistic missile or jet bomber.

"There's a lot of things he (Iraqi President Saddam Hussein) could do with such a device," a U.S. official with access to intelligence information was quoted as saying.

"The point is, if he has one weapon that is operational, it changes the dynamics of diplomacy in the Gulf," he said.

In Vienna on Tuesday, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) said a November 18-22 inspection of Iraqi nuclear facilities uncovered no evidence that Baghdad was diverting its enriched uranium to build a weapon.

The IAEA's findings were made public at Iraq's request.

According to U.S. officials familiar with the U.S. report, Iraq is estimated to possess 27 pounds (12 kilograms) of enriched uranium and may have acquired additional enriched uranium not monitored by the IAEA, which oversees compliance with the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons.

Iraq signed the treaty in 1969, and in 1972 agreed to two inspections per year of its nuclear reactors.

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#90332d9270 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Geneva (NOV. 28) - The Japanese cities of Tokyo and Osaka are the world's most expensive to live in, according to statistics published here Wednesday.

They are followed by Libreville, Brazzaville, Oslo, Helsinki, Zurich, Geneva, Stockholm and Copenhagen in that order.

The list compiled by the business consultancy firm Corporate Resources Group was based on the overall cost-of-living index in September.

Tokyo was 70 percent more expensive than New York which was rated at 100 points, and Osaka at 153 points. The strength of the yen against the U.S. dollar chiefly accounted for the Japanese heading the list of 90 cities.

Libreville logged 147 points and Brazzaville 144 points, the same as Oslo.

Most western European cities were above the 100 point mark. The first Middle East city was Tel Aviv with 115 points, and further down Manama with 95 points.

At the bottom of the list was Quito with 52 points.

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#90332d9420 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 28) - British Prime Minister John Major took over from Margaret Thatcher on Wednesday promising new opportunities in Britain and pledging the country would play a "full and leading role" in Europe under his leadership.

"I want to see us build a country that's at ease with itself, a country that's confident, and a country that's able and willing to build a better quality of life for all its citizens," Mr. Major said.

Speaking to reporters in front of his new official residence at No. 10 Downing Street, he stated: "We have in front of us the building and development of an entirely new Europe, a building and development in which this country will play a full and leading role."

Mr. Major, at 47 Britain's youngest prime minister this century, paid tribute to the "enormous achievments" of his predecessor Margaret Thatcher who he said would be recognized by history as "a towering prime minister."

He made the remarks minutes after leaving Buckingham Palace where he was received by Queen Elizabeth II for the traditional "kissing of the hands on appointment" ceremony before being asked to form the next administration.

His first day in office began less than 18 hours after his dramatic victory in a three-way race for the leadership of the ruling Conservative Party and formally ended 11 and a half years of British government under Mrs. Thatcher.

Mrs. Thatcher leaves office after winning three general elections and as Britain's longest-serving prime minister this century.

Mr. Major, flanked by his wife Norma, thanked those who supported his campaign to replace Mrs. Thatcher and promised to work hard "to prove that trust was justified."

"I don't promise you that it will be easy and I don't promise that it will be quick." But he said the tasks he faced as prime minister were "immensely worthwhile" and added: "If you'll forgive me, I'll go into No. 10 Downing Street right now and make a start."

He then turned and walked into his new official residence, vacated by Mrs. Thatcher two hours earlier.

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#90332d9460 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 28) - John Major, Britain's new prime minister, will not be accorded the customary ''honeymoon'' to ease into his duties.

He will soon have to make important decisions on both domestic and European policy and show whether or not, as one critic put it, his government will merely be ''Thatcherism without Thatcher''.

The Conservative Party he now heads will cause him little difficulty at first. Major has already succeeded in rallying opposing party factions around him.

British commentators of every political stripe and many of Major's Tory

colleagues agree that little will change at first. ''John represents the mainstream of conservative thought,'' said Kenneth Baker, Conservative Party chairman.

But in contrast to the autocratic style of Margaret Thatcher, Major is virtually certain to rely more on the advice of his Cabinet. Although an old school report card described him as ''cheeky'', Major, now 47, has gained the reputation of being a good listener.

That should help smooth his start at No. 10 Downing Street, especially if he makes some changes of emphasis when naming his Cabinet, such as giving Thatcher's challenger Michael Heseltine an important post despite criticism from right-wing Tories.

Another important task is a reform of the hated ''poll tax'' introduced by Thatcher.

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#90332d9520 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Prague (NOV. 28) - The race for the partnership with Skoda is wide open again.

First, it looked as the Volkswagen was on the verge of clinching the deal with the Czechoslovak state-owned carmaker in mid-November. But suddenly, the French company Renault and its Swedish partner Volvo are back in the running.

The trump card in the French offer is that none of Skoda's 21,000 workers will be laid off. On the contrary, new jobs are to be created. This is an important offer in a country where the ''man on the street'', after 40 years of a socialist economic system, equates a free market economy with unemployment and social injustice.

French Minister of Industry Roger Fauroux even went as far as to promise that jobs will be safe at Skoda's components supplier companies.

Both Volkswagen and Renault are promising billions of dollars worth of investments, with Vw's offer being the higher one. While Renault is offering 2.6 billion dollars over five years, and says that Skoda can maintain a majority share, the German company is offering some 5.4 billion dollars.

Vw meanwhile is believed to have increased its bid, which however is coupled with the condition that it wants to gain the majority share of Skoda.

But Renault, trying to stay in the running, is sweetening its offer with other promises.

The French state-own concern is offering a transfer of technological know-how and inviting Skoda's active participation in other industrial projects,

including modern nuclear power plants, components for the nuclear industry, an oil pipeline in Algeria, and ''equal partnership'' in the Czechoslovak truck manufacturer, Tatra.

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#90332d9570 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (NOV. 28) - The German government Wednesday intensified its sanctions against Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait and forbade almost all services carried out by Germans in the two nations.

German Economics Minister Helmut Haussmann said financial, postal, telecommunications and medical services would be exempt from the restrictions.

The Bonn cabinet had already forbidden any military and armaments cooperation with Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, in line with the United Nations-imposed embargo on these countries and the October 10 European Community decision to back the embargo.

German offenders would face sentences leading to a maximum of ten years in jail.

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#90332d9590 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KARLSRUHE, GERMANY (NOV. 28) - East Germany's Stasi secret police had a "mole" in the Bundeskriminalamt, the West German equivalent of the FBI, for at least 17 years, the federal prosecutor's office disclosed Wednesday.

In the latest case of infiltration of western agencies by the Stasi, police on Monday arrested the suspected informant, Ute Margot B., 42, and her husband, Johann Franz B., aged 50, it said in a statement.

Mr. B. joined the Stasi in 1968 and was sent to Bonn in the hope of recruiting an agent in a ministry, it said.

When that attempt failed, he met the woman a year later, seduced her and persuaded her to take part in his spying activities.

In 1971, she joined the Bundeskriminalamt and, after their marriage in 1972, smuggled documents out of the office which were secretly photographed by her husband, the statement said.

The photographs were handed on to Stasi agents in meetings, scheduled every two or three months, in which they were paid between 500 and 2,000 Deutsche marks (355 to 1,420 dollars).

Among the documents were reports on meetings by the agency's criminal

investigation department and counter-espionage unit.

Mr. B. is in preventative detention, but Mrs. B. has been provisionally released, the statement said.

The federal prosecutor's spokesman, Hans-Juergen Foerster, declined to say whether the new instance of Stasi espionage resulted from tip-offs or confessions by former agents, after the Stasi was disbanded this year.

But he disclosed that in this year the west German authorities have issued 70 arrest orders against persons suspected of espionage.

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#90332d9600 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 28) - A 30-year-old Swedish nurse doing volunteer work in a hospital on the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip was stabbed and slightly wounded Wednesday by an unknown assailant, Palestinian sources reported.

Ingrid Owden was stabbed in the shoulder as she was working at Ali Hospital, they said.

A sticker attached to the handle of the knife read: "This is a warning against anti-Iraqi intervention in the Gulf."

Hospital staff declared a three-day strike to protest the assault, according to Palestinian sources.

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#90332d9620 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 28) - Egyptian voters on Thursday will elect a new parliament, but the election will be boycotted by nearly all opposition parties who said the government failed to guarantee the ballot would be free and fair.

The election was called after voters in an October 12 referendum approved the dissolution of the previous parliament. The referendum followed a high court ruling that the assembly was elected under an unconstitutional electoral law.

With the exception of the leftist Progressive Unionist Party and a number of smaller groups, Egypt's principal opposition parties -- the New Wafd and the Islamic Coalition -- have vowed not to take part in the vote.

The Islamic Coalition groups the Labor Party, the Liberal Party and members of the Fundamentalist Moslem Brotherhood.

The boycotting groups, who held 95 of the 454 seats in the outgoing parliament maintain that under current circumstances, an honest election cannot be

guaranteed.

But analysts are skeptical of the motives behind the boycott, as several of the opposition parties are dominated by a single individual and do not practice the democracy they preach.

The opposition parties point specifically to the continuing state of emergency that has been in effect since the assassination of President Anwar Sadat in 1981 and which permits arrests for preventative detention.

In addition, they object to electoral regulations and voter constituencies that have been drawn up by President Hosni Mubarak's ruling National Democratic Party.

The protest means that the already powerful National Democratic Party will have only the progressive unionists -- whose constituency is already limited -- to contend with.

The move is a further blow to political pluralism that President Mubarak has been carefully trying to cultivate.

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#90332d9670 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 28) - The Iraqi Foreign Ministry on Wednesday insisted that Soviet workers would only be able to leave Iraq at the end of their contracts with firms in the country.

A foreign ministry spokesman, cited by the official INA news agency, also accused Moscow of staging a "tendentious campaign" on their fate and charged Soviet officials with making "negative" statements on the issue.

"Every Soviet national will be able to leave Iraq at the end of his contract of work," the spokesman said.

According to the spokesman, the Iraqi position was made clear by Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz, who visited Moscow on Monday for talks with Soviet officials on the Gulf crisis.

Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Vitali Tshourkine on Monday accused Iraq of failing to respect a timetable that he said had been set up last month to ensure the repatriation of Soviets detained in Iraq since August 2.

Last month, a Soviet presidential envoy visited Iraq and secured the release of 1,000 nationals.

However, only 350 of them left, according to Mr. Tshourkine, who said some 3,300 Soviets were still in Iraq, including 140 military experts.

Most of the Soviets are believed to be working for the Iraqi petrochemical industry.

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#90332d9690 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

(NOV. 28) - Two road accidents in Nigeria killed 39 people within 24 hours, the Daily Times reported on Wednesday.

A collision between two speeding buses on a road in Oyo state killed 21 passengers and the two drivers. Survivors said passengers had kept asking the drivers to reduce speed, according to the newspaper.

The second accident occurred in Kwara state when a trans-Nigerian bus bound for Sokoto crashed into a tractor after one of its tires burst, leaving 16 dead.

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#90332d9760 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 28) - China has been unable to repay 150 million dollars in loans due at the end of 1989, while its external debt rose from 41.3 billion dollars to 45.4 billion dollars in the six months to June, the China Daily said Wednesday.

China has repaid 17 billion dollars to creditors this year, mostly short-term loans, the official English-language daily said, quoting a State Administration of Foreign Exchange Controls official.

But it has failed to pay back 150 million dollars in project loans guaranteed for the end of 1989, mainly for joint-venture hotels, the official was quoted as saying.

Beijing has already agreed to new repayment terms with its foreign creditors, the official said, adding that long-term loans accounted for more than 80 per cent of China's external debt.

China also has internal debts amounting to 80 billion dollars.

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#90332d9780 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 28) - The local Roman Catholic church said Wednesday it planned to invite Pope John Paul II to visit the British colony in October to commemorate the diocese's 150th anniversary.

Church spokesman Father Louis Ha said the invitation had been extended

verbally but no official reply had yet come from the Vatican.

"It would seem uneconomical for the Pope to travel a long way to just visit Hong Kong. We're hoping some other church events would take place in the region around that time," Father Ha said.

The Pope skipped the colony during his Asian visit which included South Korea, Malaysia and Indonesia in October last year.

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#90332d9790 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRAZZAVlLLE (NOV. 28) - More than 3,000 teachers in Congo decided Wednesday to go on strike in a bid to win civil service status, reliable sources said.

The teachers said they would refuse to work if the government reopened schools which it closed earlier this month following unrest, unless the authorities issued a decree granting them civil service status.

Representing more than 80 percent of the teaching establishment, the striking teachers were specially recruited by the government between 1986 and 1989 to make up for staff shortages.

Meanwhile, striking university students were split over whether or not to continue their walkout, which they began late last month in a bid for improved study conditions and a doubling of their scholarships.

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#90332d9890 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 28) - Israeli Premier Itzhak Shamir will meet President George Bush in Washington on December 11, local reports said Wednesday.

Shamir originally planned to visit the U.S. in early December to accept a prize from right-wing Jewish organisations in New York.

An official invitation for talks between the two leaders was received in Jerusalem this week, said the reports, and officials said that Shamir would use the opportunity to explain Israel's position on the Gulf crisis and the occupied territories.

The invitation came after Bush's meeting last week with Syrian President Hafez Assad caused disappointment in Jerusalem on the background of sketchy communications betwen the Israeli and American leaders since they last met in December 1989.

According to the Israeli press relations between the two men are so bad that they do not even speak on the telephone.

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#90332d9910 11/28/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SHENZHEN, CHINA (NOV. 28) - Officials in this southern Chinese city say they hope neighboring Hong Kong will scrap its mammoth airport project as a new airport here nears completion.

Some 5,000 workers from all over the country are working round the clock to finish the airport in China's largest Special Economic Zone, which is aimed at attracting foreign investment and technology.

"Only 246 days to trial operation," read a poster at the airport project site office here Wednesday.

Local government and airport construction officials said Hong Kong should abandon plans to build an airport of its own, whose estimated cost is 16.3 billion U.S. dollars and whose financing would extend far beyond 1997, when the territory reverts to Chinese sovereignty.

"There is no need for Hong Kong to build such an expensive airport," one official said. "Shenzhen's new airport is capable of helping Hong Kong if it becomes saturated."

The Hong Kong government has said the British colony stands to lose 13 billion U.S. dollars between mid-1990 and 2010 without a replacement for 65-year-old Kai Tak International Airport.

Shenzhen's single-runway airport in Baoan county is located on the western coast of the Pearl River estuary. It is planned to accommodate 44 to 48 airliners per hour and eight million to 10 million passengers annually.

A four-berth port next to the airport is partly completed, said Li Shihua, senior engineer and deputy department chief of the Shenzhen Airport Construction Planning Department.

The port is to serve air passengers to and from Hong Kong and the Portuguese enclave of Macau, Mr. Li said, and "immigration formalities will be simplified."

The airport will be fully operational by the end of 1991, Mr. Li said, adding that a second, adjacent runway is also planned.

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#90332e0011 11/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Bangkok (NOV. 28) EFE - Cambodia's Khmer Rouge guerrillas will attend the upcoming round of talks on a United Nations-drafted peace formula for their

war-ravaged country, the rebels said in a radio broadcast monitored Wednesday in Bangkok.

The rebels, who killed over a million people during their four-year stint in power in the 1970s, will send their top international negotiator, Khieu Samphan, to the conference in Paris to which all the warring factions have been invited.

Samphan is to discuss the proportional make-up of a proposed Supreme National Council (SNC) that would run the country with U.N. help after a cease-fire is declared and until general elections can be held.

The Paris meeting was called after the five permament Security Council members earlier this week revealed details of a plan calling for a U.N. peace-keeping force to be sent to Cambodia to monitor the demobilization of all warring factions.

Under the plan, foreign countries involved in the conflict would be required to cut off their support.

China is backing the Khmer Rouge and Vietnam is supporting Cambodia's current ruler, Hun Sen, whom they installed in power in 1979.

Immediately after the formula was announced, the factions began disputing the power-sharing arrangements proposed for the SNC, which the U.N. recommended should be chaired by Prince Norodom Sihanouk, who heads a loose alliance of the three rebel factions.

The Khmer Rouge and right-wing nationalists have come out strongly against Hun Sen's bid to become SNC vice-chairman, while Hun Sen wants the number of seats increased so that Sihanouk's position would not tip the balance of power in the rebels' favor.

In Paris, meanwhile, the leader of the right-wing nationalist rebels, former prime minister Son Sann and Prince Norodom Ranaridh, who heads a tiny rebel force loyal to Sihanouk, said they would also be attending the Paris talks.

The Hun Sen government has yet to give its official response but said late Tuesday in Pnomh Penh it was studying the invitation to the talks, for which no date has yet been announced.

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#90332e0016 11/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Moscow (NOV. 28) EFE - The Soviet Union, Cuba's main source of supplies and financial and political support for nearly 30 years, is ready to help Havana normalize its relations with Washington, the official daily Pravda reported Wednesday.

Pravda said with the loss of its trading partners in eastern Europe and +bearing in mind that the possibilities of the Soviet Union are not unlimited, clearly Havana is faced with the necessity of normalizing relations with Washington+.

Georgi Mamedov, head of the U.S. and Canadian department at the Soviet Union's Foreign Ministry, arrived in Havana late Tuesday to discuss the Gulf crisis.

But a foreign ministry official said it was likely that he would also discuss U.S.-Cuban relations.

The issue of these relations has been the subject of numerous Soviet press articles in recent weeks which frequently refer to the deteriorating economic exchanges between the Soviet Union and Cuba.

The Marxist government of Fidel Castro has relied heavily on direct aid from the Soviet Union and a trading system involving barter and subsidies with eastern Europe to keep its economy afloat.

The collapse of communist governments in eastern Europe and the Soviet Union's economic crisis have brought heavy cuts in the flow of oil, food and machinery sent to Cuba in return for sugar, nickel and fruit.

Havana's increasing isolation is aggravated by a U.S. trade embargo imposed in the early 1960s when Washington severed relations with Cuba, situated just off the southern tip of Florida in the Caribbean.

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#90332e0022 11/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (NOV. 28) EFE - President Carlos Menem, reacting to reports that even Argentina's loftiest institutions were riddled with corruption, has promised a crackdown on graft.

Several newspapers Wednesday carried a statement from Menem saying: "All the heads that are necessary will roll to end this scourge".

His pledge came after deputy Justice Minister Cesar Arias said recently that corruption had penetrated the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of government.

Arias said investigations at all level of government had started to root out officials involved in taking bribes and distorting documents.

Last week the government announced the creation of a special commission to investigate hundreds of private suits brought against the government which were suspected of being inadequately defended.

Legal officials said there were allegations that judges, state lawyers and plaintiffs had got together to fix sentences and make the government pay excessivie indemnities.

Rodolfo Barra, a new member of the Surpeme Court, said such irregularities could not have occurred without the compliance of magistrates.

About 80 percent of Argentines believe that corruption is rife at all levels of the administration, according to results of a private opinion poll released Tuesday.

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#90332e0024 11/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BUENOS AIRES (NOV. 28) EFE - Argentine Foreign Minister Domingo Cavallo Wednesday slammed a campaign to obstruct negotiations with Britain over a fishing agreement in waters around the disputed Falkland Islands.

Speaking on radio, Cavallo said rumours had been circulated last weekend in Buenos Aires "aimed at creating an atmosphere of confrontation" between the two nations as British and Argentine delegations met in Madrid to draw up a preliminary agreement.

Despite the rumor campaign, Cavallo said, "a constructive scheme of cooperation" could be established as a result of the talks. The foreign minister refused to give further details on the negotiations as the two countries have agreed to release further information simultaneously Wednesday at 5 p.m. (1900 GMT).

The Buenos Aires business daily Ambito Financiero newspaper last week published a report that Britain had decided to increase the 150-mile fishing exclusion zone around the Falklands to 200 miles. The British ambassador in Argentina, Humphrey Maud, denied the report and Cavallo said he did not think Britain would be so "stupid."

Britain created the 150-mile exclusion zone to protect fishing stocks after winning a ten-week war with Argentina in 1982 over control of the Falkland Islands located in the South Atlantic.

Argentina has said the ban has caused it an estimated $300 million in lost revenues, and late last year the two sides met in Paris to discuss the ban, as a prelude to reestablishing diplomatic relations earlier this year.

Argentina has claimed sovereignty over the British-controlled archipelago, 300 km east of the Argentine mainland, since the early 19th century.

#90332e0026 11/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MADRID (NOV. 28) EFE - Spain's ruling Socialists dropped a political hot potato Wednesday when they suspended for at least a year a scheme for raising assessed property values by an average of almost 300 percent after it looked set to trigger a ratepayers revolt.

Saying his reform measures needed further "rectification," Economy Minister Carlos Solchaga admitted he misjudged public reaction to his review of declared property values that in many cases had not been updated for more than half a century.

But following a meeting with Premier Felipe Gonzalez, Solchaga insisted he "was not ashamed" of the plan, which he said homeowners had overreacted to out of "fears" and "unease" that were totally unfounded.

Gonzalez himself also appeared on the defensive, saying the government's aim was not to raise more revenue but ensure that the burden of taxation was distributed equitably, and added that even his loudest critics would admit the move is long overdue.

Although the hikes supposedly stopped 30 percent short of what the government believes to be current market value, some 13 million Spaniards were incensed to receive notices that the rateable value of their homes had soared by up to 2,000 percent. The average was expected to be around 270 percent.

They were not mollified by Solchaga's pledges that the scheme was intended to give local governments greater financial autonomy by boosting their revenue base and that the hikes in value would be offset by sharp cuts in the tax rates.

The mayors of Madrid, Valencia, Seville, and other cities urged people to file appeals against the new assessments, and thousands did so, soon giving rise to a horrendous tangle of paperwork.

Opposition politicians were quick to seize upon the issue, criticizing the scheme as unconstitutional and its proponents as bloodsuckers, and compared it to the "poll tax" which cost former British prime minister Margaret Thatcher much of her popularity.

Responding to Solchaga's concession, the secretary general of the conservative opposition Popular Party, Francisco Alvarez Cascos, said the Socialists "were carrying political cheekiness to new lengths - it just beggars all description."

If the government were sincere, Alvarez Cascos said, it would scrap the property tax scheme altogether rather than just putting it on hold in the name of political opportunism ahead of municipal and regional elections scheduled

for next year.

"They are telling John Citizen, now just be calm, don't get worked up, stop filing those appeals, be sure to vote Socialist, and we'll be getting back to you the day after elections," he said. "This is a fiscal ambush," Alvarez Cascos added.

Even in Solchaga's own party, Deputy Premier Alfonso Guerra, who has long been at loggerheads with the economy minister, slammed the move as bad political timing since it would cost the Socialists votes in next May's polling.

Analysts said there were legal and constitutional flaws in the plan, since the the revaluations come just at the peak of a boom fueled by skyrocketing demand and widespread speculation that has forced up real estate prices to unrealistic and unsustainable levels.

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#90332e0031 11/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BARCELONA (NOV. 28) EFE - Two bombs exploded Wednesday in a national tax office and a regional government building in the northeastern coastal city of Barcelona, causing considerable damage but no injuries, Spanish police said.

Hundreds of people evacuated the buildings before the bombs exploded at about 2 p.m. (1300 GMT) following telephone calls in the name of the armed leftist October First Anti-Fascist Resistance Group (GRAPO) warning that the bombs had been planted.

Police continued searching for a possible third bomb in the tax office.

GRAPO, which has killed some 50 people since it surfaced in 1975, recently claimed responsibility for a string of bombings in Madrid and northeast Spain in September.

The group has stepped up its attacks since one of its members died in May after a hunger-strike to protest the dispersal of imprisoned members to jails around the country.

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#90332e0041 11/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

FOZ DE IGUAZU, BRAZIL (NOV 28) EFE - Brazilian President Fernando de Collor Mello and his Argentine counterpart Carlos Menem Wednesday signed a nuclear pact banning either of the neighboring nations from building an atomic bomb.

The accord, signed in the Brazilian town of Foz de Iguazu, bans nuclear testing and allows for inspection of each other's nuclear plants.

The leading Jornal do Brasil daily described the nuclear pact as historic and said Menem would also ratify the Tlatelolco Treaty drawn up 20 years ago to prevent the proliferation of nuclear weapons in Latin America.

Both countries signed the treaty but it has only been ratified by Brazil.

But Brazil has failed to observe all safeguards included in the treaty arguing that neither Cuba or France, a nuclear power which is involved in many development projects in South America, were signatories.

Brazil and Argentina have launched extensive nuclear energy programs and international experts believe that both countries are capable of constructing nuclear weapons.

There have also been mutual suspicions between the two neighbors about the possibility of the other secretly developing an atom bomb.

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#90332e0045 11/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV 28) EFE - Twenty-nine people were killed Wednesday in the latest violence in the troubled northern Indian state of Punjab, where Sikh rebels are fighting for independence, the Indian news agency PTI reported.

PTI said Sikh extremists killed six people and wounded another six in indiscriminate shooting attacks in two districts in the city of Amritsar, a center of the eight-year-old Sikh separatist movement.

A journalist and a leading Sikh rebel were among 23 other people killed throughout the state.

More than 2,500 people have been killed in separatist violence in Punjab so far this year.

Although Sikhs only comprise two percent of India's 880 million people, they form a majority over Hindus in Punjab.

Hindus represent 82 percent of the nation's population.

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#90332e0050 11/28/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) EFE - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and his Soviet counterpart, Eduard Shevardnadze, were to meet Wednesday for talks on Thursday's crucial United Nations Security Council vote to authorize the use of force to end the Gulf crisis.

U.S. officials said the meeting to study the resolution would take place in

the Soviet delegation's offices at the U.N.

Moscow has said it will support the U.S.-backed resolution which is to give Iraq an deadline to adhere to previous U.N. rulings ordering Baghdad's withdrawal from Kuwait, which it invaded August 2.

Diplomatic sources from the United States, the Soviet Union and France have said the deadline will be set for January 15 and after that date the resolution will authorize the use of all necessary means to make Iraq pull out.

The proposed resolution is believed to have the support of at least 11 of the Security Council's 15 members.

Nine votes in favor and no vetoes by any of the five permanent members are required to pass the resolution.

Cuba and Yemen are expected to vote against, while China, one of the five permament members, has indicated it will abstain.

The stance of Malaysia, which has condemned Iraq but opposes the authorization of force, is still uncertain.

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#90332h0047 11/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 28) XINHUA -- CHINA AND ROMANIA SIGNED A NEW TRADE AGREEMENT HERE TODAY, CHANGING THE WAY OF PAYMENT IN TRADE FROM SETTLEMENT ON ACCOUNT TO CASH SETTLEMENT AS FROM JANUARY 1, 1991.

THE SIGNATORIES TO THE DOCUMENT WERE CHINESE MINISTER OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS AND TRADE ZHENG TUOBIN AND ROMANIAN MINISTER OF TRADE AND TOURISM CONSTANTIN FOTA.

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#90332h0054 11/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 28) XINHUA - AN INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION ON PLASTICS AND RUBBER INDUSTRY OPENED HERE TODAY.

MORE THAN 300 COMPANIES AND FACTORIES FROM 18 COUNTRIES AND REGIONS WILL DISPLAY VARIOUS EQUIPMENT USED IN THE PLASTICS AND RUBBER INDUSTRIES AT THE FIVE-DAY EXHIBITION.

THE EXHIBITION IS JOINTLY ORGANIZED BY THE CHINA COUNCIL FOR THE PROMOTION OF

INTERNATIONAL TRADE, THE CHINA INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION CENTER, MINISTRIES OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY AND LIGHT INDUSTRY AND THE CHINA NATIONAL PETRO-CHEMICAL CORPORATION.

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#90332h0055 11/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ANKARA (NOV. 28) XINHUA - TURKEY'S TOURISM INCOME REACHED 2.905 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, 24 PERCENT HIGHER THAN THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF LAST YEAR DESPITE THE GULF XT RELEASED ON TUESDAY, THE MINISTRY SAID THAT BETW EEN JANUARY AND OCTOBER THIS YEAR 4.688 MILLION FOREIGNERS VISITED TURKEY, 16 PERCENT UP FROM THE FIGURE OF 4.021 MILLION IN THE WHOLE YEAR OF 1989. THE REVENUES FROM TOURISM LAST YEAR WERE 2.338 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

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#90332h0067 11/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 28) XINHUA - JOINT VENTURES HAVE BEEN APPROVED AND 80 OTHERS ARE UNDER VARIOUS STAGES OF IMPLEMENTATION BETWEEN THE ORGANIZATIONS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES.

WHILE TALKING TO A GROUP OF JOURNALISTS, V.I. GRIB, PRESIDENT OF THE SOVIET ASSOCIATION FOR BUSINESS PROMOTION WITH INDIA, SAID THAT INDIA IS THE LARGEST PARTNER OF THE SOVIET UNION AMONG THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND IT ENJOYS ABOUT TWO PERCENT OF HIS COUNTRY'S FOREIGN TRADE TURNOVER.

HE NOTED THAT WITH THE CHANGING SITUATION THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT IS TAKING ADDITIONAL MEASURES ON PROMOTION OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS. "MORE THAN 2,000 JOINT VENTURES WITH PARTICIPATION OF FOREIGN FIRMS HAVE BEEN ALREADY REGISTERED BY THE USSR FINANCE MINISTRY," HE ADDED.

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GABORONE (NOV. 28) XINHUA - RACIAL TENSION IN SOUTH AFRICA'S PLATTERLAND DISTRICT HAS REACHED A PEAK OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS, AND IN SOME AREAS IT THREATENS TO BECOME EXPLOSIVE.

"THE STAR" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA REPORTED TODAY THAT VIOLENT ACTS BY RIGHTWINGERS FOLLOWING THE SCRAPPING OF THE SEPARATE AMENITIES ACT HAVE BEEN PERPETRATED IN SEVERAL PLAT- TERLAND TOWNS, WHILE IN OTHER TOWNS, RACIAL TENSION IS RUNNING HIGH OVER ELECTRICITY AND WATER CUT-OFFS AND CONSEQUENT MASS PROTEST ACTIONS.

SOME TOWNSHIPS ARE NO LONGER RECEIVING MUNICIPAL SERVICES, RESULTING IN FILTHY CONDITIONS AND INCREASED HEALTH HAZARDS.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES (SACC) GENERAL SECRETARY, THE REV FRANK CHIKANE, HAS CALLED ON THE STATE TO "DEAL EFFECTI- VELY" WITH PERPETRATORS OF RIGHTWING VIOLENCE.

"WE ARE NOW FACED WITH A SITUATION OF REAL, CLASSICAL TERRORISM AND WE EXPECT THE STATE TO DEAL WITH IT EFFECTIVELY. WE URGE THE POLICE TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO FIND THE CULPRITS OF THESE DISGRACEFUL CRIMES SO THAT THESE SAVAGE BULLYING TACTICS WILL STOP," HE SAID.

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#90332h0084 11/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
GABORONE (NOV. 28) XINHUA - EIGHT SCIENTISTS FROM FRENCH-SPEAKING AFRICAN COUNTRIES ARE IN SOUTH AFRICA TO ASSESS THE EXTENT OF AIDS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AND TO KNOW MORE ABOUT SOUTH AFRICA'S RESEARCH PROGRAMS INTO THE KILLER DISEASE.

ACCORDING TO "THE CITIZEN" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA TODAY, THE SCIENTISTS WERE INVITED BY THE MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL (MRC) TO EXCHANGE INFORMATION AND VIEWS.

THE AIDS CRISIS IN SOUTH AFRICA IS REGARDED AS AN "ABSOLUTE PRIORITY" BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL HEALTH AND POPULATION DEVELOPMENT.

OVER 550 AIDS CASES HAVE BEEN REPORTED SINCE 1982 IN SOUTH AFRICA AND 263 PEOPLE AGED BETWEEN 20 AND 39 HAVE DIED FROM THE DISEASE.

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#90332h0093 11/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (NOV. 28) XINHUA - THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT NORTH CHINA'S JINZHOU PORT WILL OPEN TO FOREIGN SHIPS ON DECEMBER 1.

THE ICE-FREE PORT, WHICH IS LOCATED ON THE BOHAI SEA IN NORTH CHINA, HAS ONE SUNDRY BERTH AND ONE REFINED OIL BERTH WHICH CAN EACH ACCOMMODATE 5,000-DWT CLASS SHIPS. THE PORT HAS AN ANNUAL HANDLING CAPACITY EXCEEDING 1.5 MILLION TONS, ACCORDING TO THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS.

THE MINISTRY SAID THAT THE PORT HAS ESTABLISHED OFFICES FOR CUSTOMS, GOODS INSPECTION, QUARANTINE, FOREIGN SHIPS AGENCIES AND OTHER PORT SERVICES.

CHINA NOW HAS 49 PORTS OPEN TO FOREIGN SHIPS.

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#90332h0101 11/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
HELSINKI (NOV. 28) XINHUA - FINNISH FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER PERTTI SALOLAINEN STRESSED YESTERDAY IN PARLIAMENT THAT FINLAND WOULD MAKE ALL EFFORTS TO PROMOTE THE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC ZONE DESPITE THE PRESENT SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES.

THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC) AND THE EUROPEAN FREE TRADE ASSOCIATION (EFTA) WERE NOW DIVIDED OVER THE POLICY MATTER OF THE ZONE AND ITS TRANSITIONAL REGULATIONS, HE SAID.

HE ADDED EFTA SHOULD ORGANIZE A UNITED FRONT TO CARRY ON THE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE ZONE RATHER THAN STOP THEM.

AT THE SAME TIME, HE POINTED OUT THAT SWEDEN'S INTENTION TO JOIN EC WILL NOT

AFFECT FINLAND'S POSITION.

FINNISH PRIME MINISTER HARRI HOLKERI STRESSED TODAY TO THE FINNISH PAASIKIVI SOCIETY THAT IT GOES AGAINST FINLAND'S NEUTRAL STAND IF FINLAND JOINS EC.

POINTING OUT THAT EC AIMS TO FORMULATE A COMMON SECURITY, DIPLOMATIC AND DEFENCE POLICY FOR ITS MEMBERS, HE SAID FINALND'S EC MEMBERSHIP WILL THEN MEAN ABANDONING ITS INDEPENDENCE.

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#90332h0103 11/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 28) XINHUA - CHINA'S GOLD INDUSTRY REGISTERED A 19 PERCENT INCREASE IN PRODUCTION THIS YEAR OVER LAST YEAR'S SAME PERIOD -- A RECORD HIGH ACCORDING TO THE STATE GOLD ADMINISTRATIVE BUREAU TODAY.

XU DAQUAN, DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU, SAID GOLD PRODUCTION OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS INCREASED AT AN AVERAGE ANNUAL GROWTH RATE OF 11 PERCENT.

DURING THE SEVENTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN PERIOD (1986-1990), HE ADDED, THE TOTAL GOLD OUTPUT WAS 60 PERCENT MORE THAN IN THE PREVIOUS FIVE YEARS AND THE CONFIRMED GOLD DEPOSITS OF THE SEVENTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN PERIOD WAS 2.67 TIMES THAT OF THE PREVIOUS FIVE YEARS.

XU REVEALED THAT CHINA'S GOLD PRODUCTION IS EXPECTED TO GROW AT ANNUAL RATE OF OVER 10 PERCENT DURING THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

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#90332h0112 11/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LIMA (NOV. 28) XINHUA - ANDEAN PARLIAMENT HEAD ROMUALDO BIAGGI RODRIGUEZ ANNOUNCED TUESDAY THAT THE FOURTH ANDEAN SUMMIT WILL BE HELD IN BOLIVIAN CAPITAL LA PAZ FROM NOVEMBER 29 TO 30 TO DISCUSS A JOINT RESPONSE TO U.S PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH'S INITIATIVE TO CREAT A FREE TRADE ZONE IN LATIN AMERICA.

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#90332h0115 11/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ZHUHAI (NOV. 28) XINHUA - THE ZHUHAI SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE (SEZ) IN SOUTH CHINA'S GUANGDONG PROVINCE CELEBRATED ITS TENTH ANNIVERSARY TODAY.

JIANG ZEMIN, GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY, YANG SHANGKUN, CHINA'S PRESIDENT AND A NUMBER OF OTHER SENIOR CHINESE LEADERS ATTENDED THE CELEBRATION CEREMONY.

LIANG GUANGDA, THE MAYOR AND SECRETARY OF THE MUNICIPAL PARTY COMMITTEE, PRESENTED A SPEECH DURING THE CELEBRATION.

LIANG SAID THAT IN THE PAST TEN YEARS THE CITY HAS BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE A SUITABLE ENVIRONMENT FOR FOREIGN INVESTMENT BY CARRYING OUT CONSTRUCTION OF ITS INFRASTRUCTURE. AS A RESULT AN INDUSTRY DOMINATED AND EXPORT ORIENTED ECONOMIC STRUCTURE WAS FORMED BASICALLY IN THE CITY, AND THE PRODUCTIVE FORCES DEVELOPED QUICKLY AND THE ECONOMIC STRENGTH IMPROVED REMARKABLY.

LIANG SAID THAT AS THE ECONOMY IMPROVES THE MORAL AND CULTURAL LEVEL OF THE PEOPLE ALSO IMPROVES.

LIANG DECLARED THAT THE FOUNDING OF SEZS, ADVOCATED BY CHINA'S SENIOR LEADER DENG XIAOPING AND CARRIED OUT BY THE PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND THE STATE COUNCIL, IS ENTIRELY CORRECT AND VERY SUCCESSFUL.

HE SAID THAT THE POLICY OF ESTABLISHING SEZS HAS RECEIVED POPULAR SUPPORT FROM THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTRY.

LIANG PREDICTED THAT BY THE YEAR 2000 THE CITY'S AVERAGE PER CAPITA GNP WILL REACH THE LEVEL OF MANY AVERAGE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. HE ADDED THAT SEZS WILL CONTINUE TO SERVE AS A WINDOW TO THE WORLD AND A BASE FOR THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMY.

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#90332h0116 11/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG, NOVEMBER 28 (XINHUA) -- INDONESIAN VICE-PRESIDENT SUDHARMONO TOLD BUSINESS PEOPLE IN JAKARTA TUESDAY THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS TO REMOVE OBSTACLES IMPEDING INDONESIA'S NON-OIL EXPORTS TRADE, THE "JAKARTA POST" REPORTED TODAY.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE 1990 PRODUCT EXHIBITION AT THE FAIR GROUNDS IN JAKARTA, THE VICE-PRESIDENT SAID, "THIS EXHIBITION IS PROOF OF OUR UNTIRING EFFORTS TO STEP UP OUR NON-OIL EXPORTS FOR THE SUCCESS OF OUR NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT."

ABOUT 400 INDONESIAN COMPANIES ARE TAKING PART IN THE EXHIBITION DISPLAYING A WIDE RANGE OF PRODUCTS, INCLUDING MACHINERY, ELECTRONICS AND ELECTRICAL GOODS, CHEMICALS, FOREST AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, BUILDING MATERIALS, FURNITURE GOODS, TEXTILES, LEATHER PRODUCTS, PROCESSED FOOD, SPORTING GOODS, MARINE PRODUCTS, AUTOMOTIVE PARTS AND HANDICRAFTS.

ATTENDING THE EXHIBITION, THE BIGGEST OF ITS KIND EVER ORGANIZED IN INDONESIA, WERE A LARGE NUMBER OF FOREIGN BUSINESSMEN, INCLUDING TRADE DELEGATES FROM JAPAN, CHINA, MOROCCO AND IRAN.

THE PAPER QUOTED ORGANIZERS OF THE EXHIBITION AS SAYING THAT MORE THAN 1,000 BUYERS HAD ARRIVED HERE FOR THE EXHIBITION FROM THE MIDDLE EAST, THE UNITED STATES, AUSTRALIA, HONG KONG, AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE ASEAN (WHICH GROUPS BRUNEI, INDONESIA, MALAYSIA, PHILIPPINE, SINGAPORE AND THAILAND).

INDONESIA, ONCE OVERLY DEPENDENT ON OIL FOR MOST OF ITS EXPORT EARNINGS, BEGAN TURNING TO NON-OIL EXPORTS IN THE 1980S BECAUSE OF FALLING OIL PRICES AND DEPLETING OIL RESERVES.

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#90332h0117 11/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 28) XINHUA - PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO TODAY APPROVED THE RELEASE OF AN ADDITIONAL 112.2 MILLION PESOS (4 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FROM THE CALAMITY FUND FOR THE REHABILITATION OF TYPHOON DEVASTATED AREAS IN THE COUNTRY.

THE AMOUNT BRINGS TO 260 MILLION PESOS (9.3 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) THE TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS FROM THE CALAMITY FUND FOR TYPHOON STRICKEN AREAS IN THE VISAYAS AND MINDANAO.

IN A REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT, DEFENSE SECRETARY FIDEL RAMOS, WHO IS ALSO CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL DISASTER COORDINATING COUNCIL, SAID MOST OF THE FUNDS WILL GO TO RELIEF OPERATIONS AND THE RESTORATION OF OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

RAMOS SAID THE DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE RECENT SUPER TYPHOON "MIKE" HAS BEEN PLACED AT 9.975 BILLION PESOS (356.25 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) WITH FATALITIES NUMBERING 387.

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#90332h0128 11/28/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KAMPALA (NOV. 28) XINHUA - THE 20TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL RED LOCUST CONTROL ORGANIZATION FOR EAST, CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN AFRICA ENDED HERE TODAY WITH THE SIGNING OF THE REVISED AGREEMENT OF THE ORGANIZATION.

THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED BY THE MINISTERS OF AGRICULTURE OF UGANDA, KENYA, TANZANIA, SWAZILAND AND MALAWI.

SPEAKING AT THE CEREMONY, UGANDAN MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE MRS. VICTORIA SSEKITOLEKO SAID THE SIGNING OF THE REVISED AGREEMENT WAS TIMELY IN A BID TO REVIEW THE ORGANIZATION'S POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES UNDER THE CURRENT PREVAILING CIRCUMS- TANCES.

SHE APPEALED TO THE MEMBER STATES TO CONTINUE FACILITATING MOVEMENT OF GOODS, PERSONNEL ACROSS THEIR NATIONAL BORDERS AND REMIT NECESSARY FUNDS SO AS TO ENSURE SMOOTH OPERATION OF THE ORGANIZATION.

THE UGANDAN MINISTER ALSO CALLED FOR INCREASED INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN THE WAR AGAINST LOCUSTS.

MRS. SSEKITOLEKO HOPED THAT OTHER COUNTRIES LIKE ANGOLA, BURUNDI, LESOTHO, NAMIBIA, RWANDA AND ZAIRE WILL SOON JOIN IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST PESTS.

THE MEETING, WHICH OPENED HERE MONDAY, DREW DELEGATES FROM ITS NINE MEMBER STATES -- UGANDA, KENYA, TANZANIA, ZAMBIA, ZIMBABWE, MALAWI, SWAZILAND, BOTSWANA AND MOZAMBIQUE.

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#90332k0006 11/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) KYODO - ISK ENTERPRISES INC., A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF JAPAN'S LARGEST TITANIUM OXIDE PRODUCER, ISHIHARA SANGYO KAISHA LTD., SAID TUESDAY THAT IT HAS ACQUIRED A SWEDISH BINARY CHEMICAL FIRM IN THE UNITED STATES.

OHIO-BASED SDS ENTERPRISES INC., A 100 PERCENT SUBSIDIARY OF SWEDEN'S FERMENTA AB, WAS PURCHASED AT 300 MILLION DOLLARS BY ISK ENTERPRISES. SDS ENTERPRISES IS A PRODUCER OF AGRICULTURAL CHEMICAL PRODUCTS.

SDS ENTERPRISES HAS A 100 PERCENT STAKE IN EACH OF FERMENTA ASC CORP., AN AGRICULTURAL CHEMICAL PRODUCTS MANUFACTURER, RICERCA INC., A RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE, AND SDS BIOTECH CORP.

COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID THE MANAGEMENT OF FERMENTA ASC AND RICERCA WILL BE MAINTAINED, BUT THEY ARE YET TO DECIDE ON SDS BIOTECH.

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#90332k0028 11/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 28) KYODO - JAPAN HAS AGREED TO EXTEND 14.5 BILLION YEN IN QUICK-DISBURSEMENT COMMODITY LOANS TO JORDAN AS PART OF ITS CONTRIBUTION TO RESOLVING THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS, FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE 14,560 MILLION YEN IN GENERALLY UNTIED LOANS, WHICH ARE TO BE DISBURSED WITHIN THE YEAR, WILL CARRY AN EXCEPTIONALLY LOW 1 PERCENT ANNUAL INTEREST RATE AND ARE TO BE REPAID OVER 30 YEARS, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE LOANS FORM JORDAN'S PORTION OF JAPAN'S PLEDGE IN SEPTEMBER TO EXTEND 600 MILLION DOLLARS IN URGENT COMMODITY LOANS TO JORDAN, EGYPT, AND TURKEY.

THE MONEY IS DESIGNED TO EASE JORDAN'S ECONOMIC TURMOIL IN THE AFTERMATH OF NEIGHBORING IRAQ'S INVASION AND ANNEXATION OF KUWAIT IN AUGUST.

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#90332k0073 11/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 28) KYODO - A SENIOR SOVIET ECONOMIST SAID WEDNESDAY HIS COUNTRY NEEDS JAPANESE MONEY AND TECHNOLOGY TO BOOST OIL PRODUCTION, STATING THAT ONLY

FOREIGN INVESTMENT CAN REVITALIZE THE SOVIET OIL INDUSTRY.

SPEAKING AT A SYMPOSIUM HERE, YOURI ERSHOV, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS, SAID SOVIET OIL OUTPUT HAS BEEN ON THE WANE DUE TO LACK OF INVESTMENTS AND THE DOWNTREND WILL LEAD TO A 12 PERCENT FALL IN SOVIET OIL EXPORTS THIS YEAR.

SOVIET CRUDE OIL OUTPUT, THE LARGEST IN THE WORLD, FELL 5 PERCENT IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF THIS YEAR IN A DECLINE ACCELERATED BY OLD-FASHIONED FACILITIES AND POOR INVESTMENT IN NEW OIL WELLS, HE SAID.

THE SOVIET ECONOMIST ALSO SINGLED OUT POOR SUPPLIES OF RELATED MATERIALS SUCH AS CEMENT, STEEL PIPES, AND PUMPS AS SHORT-TERM PROBLEMS FACING THE SOVIET OIL INDUSTRY.

ERSHOV SAID FOREIGN INVESTMENT IS THE ONLY WAY TO IMPROVE THE SITUATION AND THE NEW UNION TREATY NOW BEFORE THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT IS EXPECTED TO FEATURE MEASURES TO PROMOTE FOREIGN INVESTMENT.

THE TREATY, PRESENTED BY PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV, WOULD REDEFINE THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT'S RELATIONSHIP WITH THE 15 SOVIET REPUBLICS TO GIVE THEM CONTROL OVER VIRTUALLY ALL AFFAIRS EXCEPT DEFENSE.

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#90332k0081 11/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 28) KYODO - THE GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO CONDITIONALLY LIBERALIZE TWO ITEMS AFTER AN AGREEMENT IS REACHED ON FARM TRADE UNDER THE URUGUAY ROUND OF MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS, GOVERNMENT SOURCES SAID WEDNESDAY.

THEY SAID THE ITEMS TO BE LIBERALIZED WILL BE STARCH AND MILK PRODUCTS, INCLUDING SKIMMED POWDERED MILK.

HIGHER TARIFFS WILL BE IMPOSED ON IMPORTS OF THESE PRODUCTS AFTER LIBERALIZATION, THE SOURCES SAID.

THEY SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAS JUDGED IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR JAPAN TO RETAIN IMPORT RESTRICTIONS ON THE TWO ITEMS IN BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES.

LIBERALIZATION OF THE ITEMS WILL BE PUT OFF IF NEGOTIATIONS ON FARM TRADE ISSUES BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY RUPTURE, THE SOURCES SAID.

THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT) RULED IN FAVOR OF THE U.S. COMPLAINT AGAINST JAPAN'S IMPORT RESTRICTIONS ON THE TWO ITEMS IN 1987.

JAPAN, HOWEVER, REJECTED THE RULING, CLAIMING IT WOULD SEVERELY DAMAGE THE DOMESTIC DAIRY INDUSTRY AND INSTEAD PAID COMPENSATION TO THE UNITED STATES.

JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES HAVE AGREED TO DISCUSS THE ISSUE BY NEXT SPRING.

JAPAN HAD INTENDED TO RETAIN IMPORT CONTROLS ON THE TWO ITEMS UNDER THE GATT'S ESCAPE CLAUSE, BUT CHANGED ITS POSITION IN VIEW OF STRONG U.S. PRESSURE, THE SOURCES SAID.

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TOKYO (NOV. 28) KYODO - PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU SAID WEDNESDAY THE GOVERNMENT WILL NOT CHANGE ITS POLICY OF BANNING RICE IMPORTS TO ENSURE SELF-SUFFICIENCY IN THE GRAIN.

LIBERALIZATION OF FARM TRADE IS A KEY ISSUE IN THE URUGUAY ROUNDOF TRADE TALKS SCHEDULED TO CONCLUDE EARLY NEXT MONTH IN BRUSSELS.

KAIFU SAID HE HAS INSTRUCTED AGRICULTURE MINISTER TAMIO YAMAMOTO, WHO WILL ATTEND THE MINISTERIAL MEETING DESIGNED TO WRAP UP THE TALKS, TO SEEK A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION WITH THE UNITED STATES AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY.

KAIFU SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAS IMPLEMENTED AN AGRICULTURAL ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM CALLING FOR A 30 PERCENT CUT IN DOMESTIC RICE PRODUCTION. JAPAN HAS A LARGE SURPLUS OF RICE PURCHASED BY THE GOVERNMENT AT PRICES FAR ABOVE THE WORLD MARKET PRICES.

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#90332k0084 11/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 28) KYODO - SEVEN OF JAPAN'S NINE ELECTRIC POWER COMPANIES SUFFERED DECLINES IN UNCONSOLIDATED PRETAX PROFITS IN THE FISCAL FIRST HALF ENDED ON SEPTEMBER 30 AS HIGHER FUEL COSTS AND INTEREST RATES CUT INTO THEIR EARNINGS.

BUT EARNINGS REPORTS RELEASED BY WEDNESDAY SHOW ALL THE COMPANIES BOOSTING SALES IN THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD ON BRISK POWER CONSUMPTION STEMMING FROM AN UNUSUALLY HOT, DRY SUMMER AND STRONG INDUSTRIAL DEMAND.

IN A COUNTRY WHERE THE ECONOMY HAS BEEN GROWING STEADILY ON VIGOROUS DOMESTIC DEMAND, POWER DEMAND WAS PARTICULARY BRISK FROM THE ELECTRIC, AUTO AND STEEL INDUSTRIES, PUSHING TOTAL POWER SUPPLY BY THE NINE FIRMS UP TO A RECORD LEVEL DURING THE PERIOD.

COMPANY OFFICIALS NOTED THE DRY SUMMER FORCED THEM TO RELY LESS ON HYDROPOWER AND DEPEND MORE ON THERMAL POWER GENERATION, THUS CAUSING THEM TO PAY MORE FOR FUEL SUCH AS COAL AND OIL AND SLASHING PROFITS.

FOLLOWING ARE COMPANY-BY-COMPANY RESULTS FOR THE FISCAL FIRST HALF IN BILLIONS OF YEN WITH YEAR-TO-YEAR PERCENTAGE COMPARISONS IN PARENTHESIS:

	SALES		PRETAX PROFIT		NET INCOME	
HOKKAIDO ELECTRIC POWER	230.5	(" 6.2)	11.5	(- 3.2)	7.1	("12.7)
TOHOKU ELECTRIC POWER	562.4	(" 7.4)	24.1	(- 3.5)	15.2	(" 4.9)
TOKYO ELECTRIC POWER	2,213.1	(" 8.9)	75.1	(- 4.1)	36.9	("10.3)
CHUBU ELECTRIC POWER	923.8	(" 8.0)	40.9	(-10.6)	22.2	(" 5.1)
HOKURIKU ELECTRIC POWER	197.1	(" 7.5)	9.9	(-11.6)	6.9	("18.6)
KANSAI ELECTRIC POWER	1,161.9	("10.0)	65.4	("15.9)	33.2	("58.0)
CHUGOKU ELECTRIC POWER	451.3	("11.4)	20.0	(- 1.5)	11.3	(" 8.0)
SHIKOKU ELECTRIC POWER	221.8	("10.6)	18.8	(" 8.1)	10.1	("12.9)
KYUSHU ELECTRIC POWER	605.8	("12.3)	26.3	(- 2.6)	15.3	(" 6.8)

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TOKYO (NOV. 28) KYODO - ISUZU MOTORS LTD. SAID WEDNESDAY IT WILL START MANUFACTURING COMMERCIAL VEHICLES IN JAKARTA NEXT MONTH WITH COMPONENTS SHIPPED FROM JAPAN.

THE COMPANY SAID P.T. GAYA MOTOR, BASED IN JAKARTA, WHICH CURRENTLY PRODUCES JAPANESE AND ITALIAN CARS, WILL HANDLE THE UNDERTAKING.

THE COMPANY SAID IT PLANS TO MANUFACTURE NEWLY DEVELOPED 0.75-TON PICKUP TRUCKS MOUNTED WITH 2200 CC DIESEL ENGINES AT A YEARLY RATE OF 12,000 TO 15,000 VEHICLES.

PRODUCTION OF WAGONS BASED ON THE PICKUP TRUCK WILL BE ADDED TO THE PRODUCTION LINE IN 1992, BOOSTING THE TOTAL VEHICLE OUTPUT TO 24,000 VEHICLES A YEAR, THE COMPANY SAID.

IT SAID ANNUAL PRODUCTION WILL FURTHER BE RAISED TO 40,000 VEHICLES IN 1994-95.

GAYA MOTOR CURRENTLY PRODUCES VEHICLES OF JAPAN'S DAIHATSU MOTOR CO. AND FIAT OF ITALY.

ISUZU CURRENTLY MANUFACTURES 6,250 2-TON AND LARGE-SIZED TRUCKS AT P.T. PANTJA MOTOR CO. OF JAKARTA.

DEMAND FOR VEHICLES IN INDONESIA IS ESTIMATED AT 215,000 IN 1990, UP FROM 178,000 IN 1989.

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TOKYO (NOV. 28) KYODO - MAJOR JAPANESE STEELMAKERS BEGAN NEGOTIATIONS WITH CHINA ON WEDNESDAY IN BEIJING ON THEIR EXPORTS TO CHINA FOR THE FIRST HALF OF 1991.

THE TALKS WILL FOCUS ON VOLUME AND PRICES OF ORDINARY STEEL FOR SHIPMENT BETWEEN MARCH AND JULY, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

THE JAPANESE FIRMS EXPECT CHINA TO BUY ABOUT 700,000 TONS. CHINA IS EXPECTED TO SEEK PRICE CUTS ON THE GROUNDS THAT ITS ECONOMY IS NOW IN THE MIDDLE OF ADJUSTMENT AS ITS CURRENCY HAS BEEN DEVALUED ABOUT 10 PERCENT.

CHINA NATIONAL METALS AND MINERALS IMPORT AND EXPORT CORP. IS NEGOTIATING WITH THE JAPANESE GROUP, WHICH INCLUDES NIPPON STEEL CORP.

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TOKYO (NOV. 28) KYODO - THE JAPANESE AND SOUTH KOREAN LAWMAKERS' LEAGUES WILL MEET IN SEOUL ON FRIDAY TO DISCUSS BILATERAL ISSUES, INCLUDING THE LEGAL STATUS OF KOREAN RESIDENTS IN JAPAN, AND THE PROMOTION OF CULTURAL EXCHANGES, THE JAPAN-SOUTH KOREA PARLIAMENTARIANS LEAGUE SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE GATHERING FOLLOWS A NOVEMBER 6 SESSION IN TOKYO, WHICH WAS THE FIRST SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE TWO LEAGUES TO SEEK SOLUTIONS TO BILATERAL ISSUES.

THE MEETINGS ARE IN RESPONSE TO THE CALL FOR BETTER TIES MADE BY PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO WHEN HE VISITED JAPAN IN MAY, THE JAPANESE LEAGUE SAID.

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#90332k0103 11/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 28) KYODO - NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY THE DEVELOPMENT OF A DEVISE THAT ENCODES MOVING PICTURE IMAGES INTO DIGITAL SIGNALS WHICH IT CLAIMS IS THE SMALLEST OF ITS KIND IN THE WORLD.

THE ACHIEVEMENT MARKS A STEP FORWARD IN THE MAKING OF SMALL VISUAL PHONES, CUTTING THE PRODUCTION COST TO LESS THAN HALF THE CURRENT PRICE OF SOME 10 MILLION YEN, NTT SAID.

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#90332k0104 11/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 28) KYODO - JAPANESE DEFENSE AGENCY DIRECTOR GENERAL YOZO ISHIKAWA WILL FLY TO SEOUL ON DECEMBER 7 FOR A THREE-DAY VISIT, THE AGENCY SAID WEDNESDAY.

ISHIKAWA'S SCHEDULE INCLUDES A MEETING WITH HIS SEOUL COUNTERPART, DEFENSE

MINISTER LEE JONG KOO, THE AGENCY SAID.

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#90332k0121 11/28/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) KYODO - THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL (UNSC) DENOUNCED IRAQ ON WEDNESDAY FOR TRYING TO ALTER THE DEMOGRAPHIC COMPOSITION OF IRAQI-OCCUPIED KUWAIT.

IN THE 11TH IN A SERIES OF RESOLUTIONS ON THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS, THE SECURITY COUNCIL ASKED U.N. SECRETARY GENERAL JAVIER PEREZ DE CUELLAR TO ''TAKE CUSTODY OF A COPY OF THE POPULATION REGISTER OF KUWAIT.''

THE RESOLUTION, IMPLYING THAT IRAQ WAS FORCING OUT KUWAITIS AND SETTLING IRAQIS IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORY, ALSO CALLED FOR THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO ''ESTABLISH, IN COOPERATION WITH THE LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT OF KUWAIT, AN ORDER OF RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING ACCESS AND USE OF THE SAID COPY OF THE POPULATION REGISTER.''

AMONG THE SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING IRAQ'S AUGUST 2 INVASION AND SUBSEQUENT ANNEXATION OF KUWAIT ARE ONES CALLING FOR AN IMMEDIATE AND UNCONDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL OF IRAQI TROOPS, AN ECONOMIC BLOCKADE OF IRAQ, AND FREEDOM OF TRAVEL FOR THOSE TRAPPED IN IRAQ AND KUWAIT.

THE COUNCIL IS PREPARING TO TAKE ANOTHER RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF FORCE TO DISLODGE IRAQ FROM KUWAIT, U.N. SOURCES SAID.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 28) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports a slight downward revision of the 3rd quarter GNP to a growth rate of 1.7%. Economist had expected an upward revision to 2% to 2.2% from the previously released estimate of 1.8%. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT also reports a surprising 3.6% increase in durable goods orders for October following a 1.7% decline in September. Economists had expected another decline of 0.9%.

The Nikkei loses 570 points, a decline of about 2.5%. ... In London, the new Prime Minister is greeted by lower stock prices - the FTSE is off 18 points in afternoon trading. ... Bonds are little changed with the long yield at 8.43%. ... The dollar is mixed. ... Brent North Sea crude oil is down 99 cents to $32.31. ... The CONFERENCE BOARD says its consumer confidence index slipped

1.1 points in November to 61.5, down from 101.7 just four months ago. ... The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RELATORS says existing home sales dropped 4.7% in October, the third straight monthly decline. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports the U.S. trade deficit rose 29% in the third quarter. ... The Big Three automakers report car and light truck sales from Nov. 11 to Nov 20 were up 12% over last year. ... EASTERN AIRLINES has won a $135 million cash infusion from a federal bankruptcy judge.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

"Investor's Daily" reports that the U.N. will set a Jan. 15 deadline for Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait. ... PRESIDENT BUSH attends a signing ceremony for the National Affordable Housing Act.

FROM THE BULLS:

"Evidence continues to build that a bull market is being born here," says RAY HINES at the "Wall Street Generalist," who believes stocks have already seen the bottom. He sees "surprising rally potential 2700-2800 area by late December. Hines also looks for secondary issues to be strong performers in 1991. He thinks the economy is in a period of weakness but not a full blown recession. (CNBC "World Business", 11/28)

"I feel more strongly now than I did before that we've seen the lows," says RALPH BLOCK, market strategist at RAYMOND JAMES ASSOCIATES in St. Petersburg, Fla. "The market's response to some legitimate saber-rattling is getting better and better. If we go to war, as horrible as that would be, you would want to buy that shock wave that pushes stocks down. At least war enables us to see some resolution to the crisis." (WSJ, 11/28)

"The market's given a very good account of itself," says GLENN CUTLER of SCHEILD PROGRESSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL FUND. The market is "breaking out, and I think you're going to get an upside resolution to this market," according to Cutler, who also predicts the market could breach the 2800 mark. ("Investor's Daily", 11/28)

In a "perverse way," the stock market is already looking beyond the slowdown to a recovery, according to BOB HEISTERBERG of ALLIANCE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL's PAUL FELDMAN agrees, saying, "The cuts in rates have helped investor confidence." ("Investor's Daily", 11/28)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The bulk of the fourth-quarter rally is behind us," says the pessimistic RICHARD McCABE, manager of market analysis at MERRILL LYNCH. He expects share prices to fall back near their October lows. (WSJ, 11/28)

Both large and small investors flush with cash participated in yesterday's

rally, says ROBERT KING, head of OTC trading in Atlanta for ROBINSON HUMPHREY CO. Mr. King cautions, however, that yesterday's gains could be a "bear trap" or a short-lived rally in a bear market. (WSJ, 11/28)

STOCK MARKET:

The markets are not as jittery about the prospects of war because "we have something we didn't have a week ago: We have a deadline," says TIM SCALA of SEQUOR GROUP. "Most feel that nothing will happen before January 1." He says you "certainly won't see any bad news" before that date. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/27)

"People don't want to be caught short here in case the market starts to run," says KENNETH DUCEY, senior vice president of institutional trading at S.G. WARBURG. (WSJ, 11/28)

Many analysts are predicting a rebound in stock prices after the first of the year, and LASKER, STONE & STERN's ROBERT SEIJAS says, "The most obvious causes behind an improvement in January is the fact that many institutions get an influx of new money." Factors such as retirement plans and insurance companies add to the amount of money in play in the market, according to Seijas. ("Nightly Business Report", 11/27)

"I think pretty much everyone is already well-positioned - where they want to be, that is - for the end of the year," says BRAD WEEKES at DONALDSON LUFKIN & JENRETTE. ("The Washington Post", 11/28)

RICKY HARRINGTON, director of investment policy at MARION BASS SECURITIES, says the market may have reached an equilibrium in its struggle to anticipate the most striking market-moving news. Investors, he says, have had plenty of time to absorb the impact that a recession and falling interest rates will have on the market for the next few weeks. And while the threat of war remains the market's great imponderable, that threat appears to have receded beyond the end of the year. Many investors seem happy enough that the crisis in the Mideast has not undergone any dramatic changes. "There's quite a bit of cash on the sidelines and no change in the Iraqi situation," 2 so investors put some cash to work, he said. "We have the status quo, so I think we're just going to keep floating in the (Dow industrials) 2450-2600 range with a slight upside bias." He adds, "The main problem is that there's no upside leadership. On the other hand, the market isn't responding to negatives." (UPI, 11.27 and WSJ, 11/28)

"There seemed to be more buyers around [yesterday] as well as some broader support in an array of stocks," says ED LAUX of KIDDER PEABODY. "It's encouraging that at the first sign of trouble, stocks didn't fall over and die. We'll have to see if this lasts." ("USA Today", 11/28)

"In light of all the fundamental problems that still exist, a few days of good

activity in the Nasdaq and the broader market do not necessarily represent a major change in trend," says WILLIAM ROTHE of ALEX. BROWN & SONS. "It's probably too early to interpret this strength as a meaningful trend." (NYT, 11/28)

"If the market falls 5% to 10%, I intend to be a major buyer," says VICTOR SPERANDEO, president of RAND MANAGEMENT CORP. "If it's down less than 5%, I'd be a small buyer." Mr. Sperandeo says if war breaks out the market is likely to drop about 200 to 250 points and "I would be a buyer." (WSJ, 11/28)

Noting the slide in SQUARE D stock after takeover rumors were squelched, PAUL KRONLOKKEN at PIPER JAFFRAY & HOPWOOD says, "The only real message of the market today seems to be that it's going to be a long time before the 'takeover game' is hot again." ("The Washington Post", 11/28)

"What we're hearing from [takeover] buyers is that they are reluctant to do anything heroic until they have a clearer picture of the economy," says STEVE RATTNER at LAZARD FRERES. "Sellers are reluctant, wanting to receive what they feel is a fair price. I think we'll see a pickup [in mergers] but I can't predict when." ("USA Today", 11/28)

World markets "should be getting into a bull market phase, based on interest rates," says JOHN WRIGHT of BABSON-STEWART IVORY INTERNATIONAL in Edinborough. But those "cyclical influences" could be counteracted by any outbreak of hostilities, according to Wright. ("Investor's Daily", 11/28)

STOCK TIPS:

OPPENHEIMER & CO. recommends stock in COOPER INDUSTRIES INC., a Texas maker of electrical equipment, hardware, auto products and oil production equipment. It says the company's earnings should grow an average of 12% a year for the next two years. Oppenheimer calls the company's oil and gas equipment unit a "sleeping giant." ("USA Today", 11/28)

This week, PAINEWEBBER INC.'s chief investment strategist EDWARD KERSCHNER is distributing a paper called "If The Shooting Starts." He predicts a quick, sharp fall in stocks with the outbreak of war, but his paper includes a list of stocks to buy. Pinpointing several stocks that could benefit from reconstruction efforts in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, he writes, "FLUOR CORP. has been selected as one of the contractors to boost Saudi oil production. ... FOSTER WHEELER CORP. has already been approached by the exiled Kuwaiti government to assist it in fixing equipment in the event of damage by the Iraqis. CBI INDUSTRIES INC., the maker of storage tanks could benefit too." In addition to these engineering stocks, Mr. Kerschner recommends some oil service stocks: BAKER HUGHES INC, HALLIBURTON CO. and NABORS INDUSTRIES INC. PaineWebber's energy analyst JIM CARROLL singles these companies out as having "excess production capacity and 3 the ability to ship over equipment quickly" to replace equipment damaged in any armed conflict. PaineWebber also recommend

CATERPILLAR, COOPER INDUSTRIES INC., DRESSER INDUSTRIES INC. and INGERSOLL-RAND in the event of war. (WSJ, 11/28)

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LONDON (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Hambros PLC, the leading London merchant bank with interests in a wide range of financial services, announced its half year results to Sept. 30, 1990, today.

Charles Hambro, the chairman, said: "The Group's profit before tax advanced by 19 percent to 42.5 million pounds sterling. With the tax charge remaining low at 27 percent (1989: 23 percent), attributable profit and fully diluted earnings per share were broadly maintained.

"The board is declaring an increased interim dividend of 4 pence on the 20p ordinary shares and a dividend of 2.1p on the 1 pound non-voting shares. A dividend on the 7.5 percent cumulative convertible redeemable preference shares was paid on Oct. 1, 1990, at a cost of 4.8 million pounds.

"Banking profits rose by 20 percent to 32.8 million pounds, partly reflecting new capital introduced in June 1989. Many of our banking activities contributed to this advance, both at home and overseas.

"Hambro Countrywide (our real estate and financial services company and one of the UK's largest estate agency groups) returned to modest profitability in a subdued market.

"Profits from direct investments arose mainly from a number of significant investment gains realized during the period. Our banking ratios and liquidity remain very satisfactory. In current market conditions it is improbable that the Group's investment results can continue at the recent high levels, although we remain confident of further sustained contributions from them in the medium term. Hambro Countrywide is in a strong position to benefit from any upturn in the housing market, and we therefore continue to view its future with optimism."

Hambros' business in North America includes Hambro America Inc., Hambro International Venture Fund, the M & A and private placement firm Shea, Paschall and Powell, all in New York, Harry Roman and Co. also in M & A in Los Angeles and a representative office in Toronto.

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#90332p8777 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAGUNA HILLS, CALIF. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Advantage Life Products (NASDAQ: ADVT) today announced that it has received the first re-order for Smokers Choice from Eckerd Drug Stores and a $280,000 re- order of CigArrest from K mart.

Eckerd, the first drug store chain to carry Smokers Choice, has placed an additional order for more than 50 percent of its original order placed one month ago. "The additional order reflects Eckerd's confidence in the future sales of Smokers Choice," commented Donald L. Danks, senior vice president and chief operating officer of Advantage Life Products. "We continue to be encouraged by the progress our sales team is making with Smokers Choice, and with the new orders from Eckerd we are establishing a positive track record."

In addition, K mart made a substantial re-order of CigArrest to replenish supplies due to very strong sales during the "Great American Smoke-Out."

Advantage Life Products is the leading marketer and distributor of over-the-counter smoking cessation and smoking alternative products.

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#90332p8790 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Northern Telecom (NYSE: NT) reached a North Carolina export milestone today when Nippon Telephone and Telegraph, in Atagawa, Japan, placed the millionth line of exported DMS-10 central office switching product in service. The first DMS-10 line equipped for telephone service was manufactured in North Carolina in 1977. The first switch exported outside of North America was shipped to the Bahamas in 1979.

The DMS-10 has become an export success story, providng service in more than 24 countries, from Peru to Micronesia. In 1989 the DMS-10 division was awarded the President's "E" Award for export excellence. The DMS-10 division employs over 1300 people in the Research Triangle Park area. Approximately half the jobs at the DMS-10 division are export related.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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#90332p8792 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
LA JOLLA, CALIF. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Marrow-Tech Inc. (NASDAQ: MAROA, MAROZ) announced today that, as expected, it has begun commercial sales of its first products: skin2(TM) ("skin-squared") toxicity screening kits. The kits feature living, three-dimensional, human skin tissues that are grown from individual skin cells in vitro (in the laboratory), using the company's patented core technology. Commercialization of the kits in 1990 had been anticipated in previous company announcements.

Marrow-Tech has collaborated with major companies in the cosmetic, pharmaceutical, petrochemical and household product industries, in order to optimally develop and validate its screening kits prior to commercialization. Scientists from three of these companies, the Procter & Gamble Co., the Colgate-Palmolive Co. and Microbiological Associates, a leading testing laboratory, presented data from their studies of skin2 kits at a company-sponsored symposium yesterday in Baltimore. These scientists reported that skin2 can screen numerous classes of chemical compounds for their tendency to irritate or damage living tissues. Data obtained from testing on skin2 kits correlated with data from both animal studies (Draize ocular) and human skin patch studies. The scientists will also present their data this week at a major scientific symposium in Baltimore, sponsored by The Johns Hopkins Center for Alternatives to Animal Testing (C.A.A.T.).

Arthur J. Benvenuto, Marrow-Tech's chairman, president and CEO, commented, "skin2 is the first of Marrow-Tech's products to be commercialized since our initial public funding in June 1988. The launch of our first product is an especially significant milestone in Marrow- Tech's transition from a Research and Development to an Operating Company. We expect revenues from this product to be modest initially, and to increase as the marketplace incorporates this technology into its overall effort to accelerate the discovery and product development process."

Marrow-Tech plans to add efficacy screening products to the skin2 line in 1991. These additional skin2 products will allow scientists rapidly to test the efficacy of various products intended to benefit the skin, such as wound healing agents and growth factors.

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#90332p8797 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Telematics International, Inc. (NASDAQ: TMAX) announced today that the board of directors has appointed Miriam K. Frazer as chief financial officer, vice president of corporate

communications, treasurer and secretary. Frazer joined Telematics in June of 1989 as vice president corporate communications and treasurer, was appointed corporate secretary in May, 1990 and has been acting chief financial officer since April, 1990. She has over 11 years of experience in various accounting, financial and communications senior management positions with AT&T Paradyne and IBM.

Founded in 1982, Telematics designs, manufactures and markets computer systems and software products designed specifically for voice and data communications applications and networks. The company's products include a full range of programmable packet switching systems, low-end protocol converters and switches, T1 multiplexers, and frame relay switches. Telematics has approximately 390 employees worldwide. Headquartered in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Telematics also has facilities in Calabasas and San Mateo, Calif.; Herndon, Va.; Basingstoke, England; Paris and Frankfurt, Germany.

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KALAMAZOO, MICH. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - International Controls Corp. has extended the expiration date of its exchange offer to its debentureholders from 5 p.m. Nov. 27, 1990, to 5 p.m. Nov. 28, 1990. As of 5 p.m. on Nov. 26, 1990, $5,714,000 of the subordinated discount debentures due Jan. 1, 2006 and $4,000 of the 12-3/4 percent senior subordinated debentures due 2001 had been tendered.

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#90332p8804 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MADISON HEIGHTS, MI (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Code Alarm, Inc. (NASDAQ: CODL) announced today that "Intercept", its stolen-vehicle- recovery system, has been selected by Popular Science as one of 1990's 100 award winners in the "Best of What's New" section in its December issue.

"Intercept" is the first stolen-vehicle tracking and recovery unit to offer a complete security package, including a premium system alarm and remote engine shutdown. The product is currently being sold in Detroit and New York through selected Code-Alarm dealers. Test-market vehicles have been activated in Los Angeles, Chicago and Boston.

Code-Alarm, the leader in vehicle security and home security systems, ranked first in Michigan and 15th nationally in Forbes magazine's 1989 list of the "200 Best Small Companies in America." The company was also listed in Business Week's 1990 issue featuring the nation's "100 Best Small Business Corporations."

"We are extremely pleased that our 'Best of What's New' awards will be able to give proper recognition to those products and technologies that will shape our lives," stated Popular Science Editor-in-Chief Fred Abatemarco.

In addition to Popular Science's 1990 "Best of What's New" recognition, "Intercept" was spotlighted on the nationally aired TV show "Live with Regis & Kathie Lee" on Sept. 28.

Code-Alarm distributes Code-Alarm and Mirage brand security products through a network of dealers nationwide and also provides private label security products to the Big Three auto manufacturers.

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#90332p8808 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - LifeScience Corporation of Austin has obtained an exclusive license to a new time-release dietary formulation developed by Dr. Thomas J. Slaga, director of the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center's Science Park-Research Division near Smithville.

The formulation contains about 45 ingredients shown in animal studies to inhibit cancer development and produce other beneficial health effects.

While many of the ingredients are similar to those found in multi- vitamin and mineral supplements, Dr. Slaga said his formulation is the first to include helpful antioxidants and related compounds. It also is the first such formulation designed on a time-release basis.

Dr. Slaga is an authority on the environmental causes of cancer and cancer prevention. He has investigated many of the ingredients included in the new supplement for almost 25 years.

All ingredients in the formulation have been approved or recognized as safe by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration or scientific experts, he said.

Laboratory animal studies have demonstrated that individual compounds and combinations of ingredients in the formulation can inhibit cancer development in many animal tissues exposed to various cancer- causing agents, Dr. Slaga said.

Additionally, he said selected ingredients in the formulation have been shown to increase the animals' longevity while still other animal studies have indicated protection against cardiovascular and immunological disorders.

The next logical step should involve assessing the formulation's effect on pre-cancerous lesions in humans.

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#90332p8810 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS GATOS, CA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Caere(R) Corp. (NASDAQ: CAER) today announced that fourth quarter 1990 results, which will be fully reported in the third week of January for the period ending Dec. 31, 1990, are expected to fall short of current estimates by Wall Street analysts due to product delays. The Typist(TM) for MS-DOS(TM) and other IBM PC and compatible computers, will begin shipping in the first quarter of 1991, rather than the November date previously announced. Since September, the company has shipped several thousand Typist(TM) for Apple Macintosh(TM) computers, including reorders in October and November.

Two additional new products developed to run under Windows(TM) 3.0 are expected to be shipped by year end instead of the November ship date previously announced. OmniPage 3.0, the first 32-bit page recognition software product for the Windows 3.0(TM) environment, was shown at the recent Comdex show in Las Vegas, Nev. OmniPage Professional(TM), a page recognition software program that includes new capabilities for the desktop optical character recognition world, was also introduced earlier this month at Comdex.

Caere Corp., based in Los Gatos, is the industry's leader in the design, manufacture and sale of information recognition software and systems products that provide an economical, accurate means of converting text, numeric and bar code data into computer-usable form.

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#90332p8812 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Continuing to provide the OEM market with advanced digital audio tape (DAT) technology, WangDAT today introduced the Model 3600 DAT drive which provides 5GB capacity in a small, 3.5-inch form factor. "We believe the Model 3600 is the first available operational 5GB compression DAT drive in a 3.5-inch form factor," said Amyl Ahola, president.

The Model 3600 offers not only high capacity, but offers an MTBF of 60,000 hours -- a new level of high reliability in DAT drives. Key to this high

reliability is the use of proven components from WangDAT's current 5.25-inch DATAClass(tm) mechanics in the new slim 3.5-inch drive mechanism. A low chip count, single-board electronics and 30 percent fewer parts than the 5.25-inch product further contribute to the Model 3600's high reliability.

The Model 3600 also offers high performance. The drive features a sustained transfer rate of 520KB per second, with the highest SCSI burst transfer rates yet available in the DAT industry -- 4.0MB/second (asynchronous) and 5.3MB/second (synchronous).

"This new class of DAT drives meets the latest 8mm technology head-on in the market," said Ahola. "It features a superior capacity/price performance ratio in a small form factor that accommodates a range of system platforms -- from engineering workstations to large file servers and mainframes."

The Model 3600 achieves a high 5GB storage capacity through a combination of hardware-based data compression and long-length tapes. WangDAT's data-compression drive incorporates the industry-proven Stac 9703 coprocessor and uses a Stac variant of the LZ1 (Lempel-Ziv) compression algorithm -- of which there are nearly 1 million users. WangDAT has implemented the compression function in a "look-aside" mode that provides compressed data size wherever feasible. This approach, unlike other methods, prevents data expansion; if compression does not decrease data size, the compressed data is discarded and the original, uncompressed data is written.

WangDAT, the leading supplier of DAT drives to the OEM and VAR markets, has an installed base of more than 5,000 drives. WangDAT designs and manufactures its products in the United States. For more information on WangDAT and the products they manufacture, contact: WangDAT, 141 Kalmus Drive, K-3, Costa Mesa CA 92626; telephone: 714-241-9613.

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#90332p8813 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELYRIA, OH (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Invacare Corporation (NASDAQ/NMS: IVCR), America's largest and most innovative manufacturer of wheelchairs and other home medical equipment, has promoted Hymie H. Pogir, naming him vice president of marketing, rehab products.

Pogir, 44, will be responsible for marketing positioning and product strategy for the company's rehab product lines. Rehab prooducts are those designed for individuals requiring long-term usage. Specifically, Pogir will oversee the high-performance manual and prescription superlight wheelchairs manufactured by Action Technology, a new division of Invacare, as well as Invacare's various power wheelchairs and motorized three-wheeled scooters.

In addition, Pogir is responsible for monitoring consumer needs and providing product education to the sales force, therapists, and rehabilitation centers utilizing those products. He will continue reporting to Louis F.J. Slangen, Invacare's vice president of sales and marketing. "During the last ten years, Pogir's marketing and product knowledge have contributed greatly to Invacare's leadership position in rehab products," said Slangen.

Pogir joined Invacare in Jan. 1980 as a territory manager, responsible for dealer sales in central California. In 1981, Pogir moved to the the firms's corporate headquarters in Elyria, when he was promoted to product marketing manager for its oxygen concentrator line. Since that time, he has held a variety of progressively more responsible positions including product marketing manager - wheelchairs and homecare beds, and director of marketing - rehab products.

Before joining Invacare, Pogir served for one year as national sales manager for Stainless Medical Products, a small wheelchair manufacturer in San Diego, Calif. For five years prior to that, he was operations manager for Supersonic Radio, a manufacturer of consumer electronics and a division of ITT in Johannesburg, South Africa.

A native of Zimbabwe, Pogir served in the Royal Rhodesian Air Force and holds an executive MBA from Damelin College in Johannesburg. He, his wife and daughter are residents of Lyndhurst, Ohio.

Invacare is the leading U.S. manufacturer and distributor of prescription and standard wheelchairs, three-wheel scooters, respiratory equipment, hospital-type beds, patient aids, continuous passive motion devices and cardiovascular fitness equipment. The company prides itself on its premiere track record of innovation and new technologies. With 1990 annual sales estimated to reach $225 million, Invacare has operations throughout the U.S. and in Europe, Canada and Mexico. The firm serves more than 3,000 dealerships in North America and exports to other parts of the world.

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#90332p8816 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Chambers Development Company Inc. (AMEX: CDVB) today announced that it has completed its acquisition of W.B. Industries Inc. in Cambria County, Pa.

As previously announced in May, the acquisition had been conditional upon reissuance by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources (DER) to Chambers of W.B. Industries' permit to operate a landfill near Vintondale, Pa.

Since then, the DER has issued a permit modification making Chambers the

permittee of the 27-acre Laurel Highlands Landfill in Cambria County, Pa.

"This acquisition enables us to better serve the western Pennsylvania market," said Alexander Rangos, Chambers executive vice president. "W.B. Industries has been providing safe and reliable disposal services to area residents for years. And now we welcome the opportunity to provide these services to the community in an environmentally sound and economically efficient manner."

Work on Chambers' Laurel Highlands Landfill is in progress. The 27-acre landfill footprint, located within a previously undeveloped 211-acre site, is being constructed using Chambers' state-of-the-art technology.

"This new Laurel Highlands Landfill fits well into our plans for multisite regional disposal systems that will provide long-term, environmentally safe solid waste disposal," Rangos said, adding that the site is more than 50 miles closer to Chambers' Altoona, Pa., transfer station than its Southern Alleghenies Landfill in Somerset County, Pa.

Chambers Development Company, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is one of the fastest growing U.S. companies with rankings on the Forbes list of the 200 Best Small Companies in America and on the Business Week Top 1000 U.S. Companies. Chambers is a leading environmental firm offering services in recycling, collection, hauling, disposal and landfill development.

The company also provides security through its wholly owned subsidiary, Security Bureau Inc., the 12th largest U.S. security firm.

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#90332p8818 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWPORT NEWS, VA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Flight International Group, Inc. announced today that it plans to distribute to shareholders a supplement to the proxy materials for its 1990 annual meeting to reflect the previously announced exercise by Smith Technologies Inc. of an option to purchase 500,000 additional shares of Flight International common stock for $1.5 million.

In view of the distribution of the supplement to the proxy materials, Flight International also postponed the annual meeting originally scheduled for this Friday, Nov. 30, 1990, to Friday, Dec. 14, 1990, commencing at 9 a.m. EST at a place to be designated in such supplemental proxy materials. Flight International anticipates that the supplemental proxy materials will be mailed to shareholders shortly.

Flight International also announced that it will hold an informational session for shareholders on Friday, Nov. 30, 1990, commencing at 9 a.m. EST at the New York Marriott East Side, 525 Lexington Ave., New York, N.Y., 2nd Floor, Morgan

"D" Room, the time and place originally scheduled for its 1990 annual meeting. At such informational session, officers of the company will report on recent events concerning Flight International.

The Flight International Group, Inc., is a leader in aviation services with interests in government and military contracts as well as commercial flight operations.

CONTACT: Jeanne Huber of Flight International, 804-886-5500; or Art Gormley of Hill and Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for Flight International

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YPSILANTI, MI (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Hydra-matic Division today presented Rima Manufacturing Company of Hudson, Mich., with General Motors' "Mark of Excellence" award, according to William J. Boskey, general director of Materials Management. The award recognizes Rima's outstanding performance in the areas of quality, cost, delivery, technology and management.

In presenting the award to Rima employees, Boskey said, "Quality and continuous improvement are keys to success in this very competitive marketplace. Rima's truly exemplary efforts contribute to world-class Hydra-matic transmissions, and we're glad to have you on the team."

Rima Manufacturing Company produces diecast aluminum components and screw machine components used in all Hydra-matic transmissions.

"The entire Rima team has been committed to the objective of continuous improvement in all parts of our business. Together we have succeeded. The conflict was hard, the triumph glorious, the achievement highly cherished," said Rima President Edward J. Engle Jr.

The prestigious award is part of the GM "Targets for Excellence" supplier development process, which is widely respected both internal and external to the supplier community. Since its inception in 1987, 184 suppliers or 10 percent of GM's supplier base undergoing full assessment, have received the "Mark of Excellence" award, which applies to suppliers of productive materials and service parts. The assessments are conducted by GM teams from purchasing, product engineering, manufacturing, and quality control activities. The teams assess suppliers in five key areas: quality, cost, delivery, management and technology. The "Mark of Excellence" is the top award available in the process.

Hydra-matic Division has 11 operations in seven locations in the U.S., Canada and France. The world's largest producer of automatic transmissions, Hydra-matic employs more than 27,000 people.

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#90332p8821 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARKHAM, ONTARIO (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Magna International Inc. (NASDAQ: MAGAF) announced today that it has called a meeting of the holders of its 10-3/8 percent debentures, Series 1 due 1990 to request a three month extension of the maturity date to March 31, 1991. If approved, the interest rate for the debentures will be increased effective Jan. 1, 1991 to 13-1/4 percent per annum. As previously announced, Magna is engaged in ongoing negotiations with its principal lenders regarding a debt restructuring plan. Magna is requesting the extension of the maturity date of the 10-3/8 percent debentures to accommodate the completion of the negotiations in respect of the plan.

CONTACT: Stephen C. Akerfeldt, vice-chairman and chief financial and administrative officer of Magna, 416-477-7766

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Customers of Winn-Dixie Stores, Inc. (NYSE: WIN) continue to respond to the war against hunger, through the small change from their grocery orders.

By instructing the cashier at checkout to "Even It Up," their food purchases are rounded off to the next dollar, the change diverted into The Salvation Army fund to feed the hungry. The amount of the donation appears on the customer's register tape.

Initiated by Winn-Dixie and The Salvation Army in January, l989, the EVEN IT UP fund continues to grow, having reached a total of $255,189 that has been converted into food certificates for needy families across the Sunbelt.

The food certificates are disbursed by The Salvation Army to households with the most urgent needs, particularly among the children and the elderly. They are redeemable at all Winn-Dixie stores for nutritional perishables such as produce, dairy products, fresh and smoked meats, which cannot be distributed from food banks equipped to handle only non-refrigerated foods.

Participating Winn-Dixie store locations throughout Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and the Carolinas are identified by the EVEN IT UP sign at checkout.

CONTACT: Mickey Clerc of Winn-Dixie Stores, Inc., 904-783-5000.

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#90332p8825 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONGMONT, CO (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Spectrum DataTech Inc. announced Nov. 27 1990, that earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $29,362 compared to a loss of $97,751 in the like period in 1989.

The company also reported that third quarter revenue increased from $1,077,471 in 1989 to $1,136,451 for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Both revenue and earnings were positively impacted by the company's recent oil and gas acquisition.

Spectrum DataTech is in the business of selling products and services to the users of computers. They sell all forms of blank magnetic media for computer storage and is also a large distributor of electrostatic paper and pen plotter products. The company is also in the business of producing oil & gas.

CONTACT: John R. Lefebvre of Shareholder Relations, 303-457-2852, for Spectrum DataTech Inc.

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#90332p8826 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Starting today, Lord & Taylor has made available a red rose delivery service, to send anywhere in the continental U.S. within 24 hours. The service is available in the Fifth Avenue, Westchester, and Boston Lord & Taylor stores, as well as the Watertower store in Chicago and the Galleria store in Houston.

One dozen long-stemmed roses come handsomely packaged in a specially designed Lord & Taylor gift box, complete with the Lord & Taylor insignia and signature red rose logo. The cost is $65, with a $15.50 handling charge (and sales tax where applicable), and can be charged to the customer's Lord & Taylor or American Express charge card.

"We are very excited about this new service, and delighted to have it available for Christmas," says LaVelle Olexa, senior vice president for fashion merchandising and public relations for Lord & Taylor. "For corporate as well as personal gift-giving, roses are universally well received."

Lord & Taylor, the nation's oldest specialty store, currently operates 51 stores in 15 states and the District of Columbia.

CONTACT: Jann Walker, (212) 382-7668, or Colette Beaudry, (212) 391-3639, both for Lord & Taylor.

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#90332p8828 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

BAKERSFIELD, CALIF. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Nahama & Weagant Energy Co., (NASDAQ: NAWE) and its partner, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., have agreed, subject to certain contingencies, to purchase 25 percent of Texaco's (NYSE: TX) leases in the Round Mountain Oil Field located northeast of Bakersfield, Rodney Nahama, president and chief executive officer, announced today.

Plans call for the development of an enhanced oil recovery program. Independent estimates of the recoverable oil in place range from 11 million to 17 million barrels. The property, which includes mineral rights to 1,760 acres, consists of 61 active and 36 other wells producing approximately 300 barrels of oil per day of primary production. This oil (gravity 17 degrees) typically sells at a price approximating 75 percent of West Texas Intermediate.

Nahama said: "Through this transaction, we are acquiring an interest in a field with substantial potential on a low cost basis. Based on the low-end estimate of 11 million barrels, the company's cost will be approximately $1.50 per barrel. We expect the company's ownership interest in the property to be between 11 percent to 12.5 percent. MacPherson Oil will purchase a majority of the remaining interest in the Texaco properties and will serve as operator. The transaction is expected to close before the end of December 1990.

"Our company is actively working to increase its proven oil and gas reserves both through selective acquisitions such as the present one as well as our exploration and development program. The company plans to drill some 45 to 50 exploration and development wells during the next 15 months."

Based in Bakersfield, Nahama & Weagant Energy Co. is an independent engaging in oil and gas exploration, development and production, primarily in California and Oregon.

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#90332p8829 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAGUNA NIGUEL, CALIF. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Furon Co. (NASDAQ: FCBN) announced today that for the quarter ended Nov. 3, 1990, net income was up 3 percent over a year ago to $2,256,000. Sales for the same quarter were down 5 percent to $79,068,000. For the year-to-date, sales are flat compared to last year and net income was up approximately 20 percent to $7,764,000.

Chairman Peter Churm commented that "the downturn in sales reflects a general softening in the economic climate particularly the general industrial markets served by the company."

Net income for the third quarter includes an extraordinary gain of $398,000 recognized on the settlement of certain terminated pension plans. Income before the extraordinary gain was $1,858,000 or about 15 percent below reported results in last year's third quarter. Year-to-date income before the extraordinary gain is 14 percent ahead of last year's results.

Fully diluted earnings per share for the quarter declined to $0.26 from $0.29 in the same quarter last year even though net income increased due to the conversion of the company's convertible subordinated debentures. The debentures were converted to common stock during the second quarter of the current fiscal year, and as a result, the company did not incur interest expense on those debentures during the third quarter. The fully diluted earnings per share calculation assumes that the debentures were converted at the beginning of the period and therefore requires the add back of interest expense incurred in last year's third quarter.

Furon is a producer of quality products for the industrial market. The company serves a wide variety of industries including petrochemical, aerospace medical, transportation, pollution control and fluid power.

CONTACT: Peter Churm or Ron Bissell of Furon Co., 714-831-5350; or Roger Pondel or Kim Feazle of Rifkind, Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Furon Co.

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#90332p8831 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Zenith Data Systems, a Groupe Bull company, today announced that it is developing a desktop personal computer (PC) built around the forthcoming multimedia extensions to Microsoft Corp.'s "Windows" operating environment.

At a press conference held here in conjunction with a multimedia developers conference, Andrew Czernek, ZDS vice president of product strategy and development, said the '386-based PC, planned for introduction in the first half of 1991, will have the Windows multimedia environment and an updated version of the MS-DOS operating system factory-installed on its hard-drive.

"Multimedia's marriage of computer, video, sound, CD-ROM and other technologies ultimately will have broad and exciting uses," Czernek said. "Initially, we will focus on training and other simulation-oriented applications that serve our primary markets: large businesses, government, and education."

Czernek said a multimedia Windows environment on a ZDS PC also could serve as the front end to "IMAGEWorks," an open systems, server-based document management system that provides archival retrieval of text, graphics and pictures. "IMAGEWorks" is offered by ZDS' sister company Bull HN Worldwide Information Systems Inc. of Billerica, Mass. "Our support for a multimedia

Windows environment is the logical next step to our deep commitment to Windows-based graphical user interfaces," Czernek said.

Zenith Data Systems factory-installs Windows 3.0 and MS-DOS 4.01 on the hard disk drives of all its '286-, '386- and '486-based desktop systems, and includes a Microsoft Mouse with these PCs.

ZDS also installs Asymetrix Corp.'s ToolBook 1.0, a software construction set that can be used as a multimedia programming tool, on the hard drives of all its '386- and '486-based desktop systems. ZDS has shipped more copies of Windows than any other PC manufacturer by bundling it with all hard-drive desktop systems since 1985.

ZDS, a Groupe Bull company, is a leading manufacturer and marketer of portable and desktop microcomputers and monitors for single- and multi-user applications. With headquarters in Mount Prospect, Ill., and primary engineering and final assembly operations in St. Joseph, Mich., ZDS has manufacturing and sales facilities in more than 30 countries.

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#90332p8836 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Ralph R. Whitney Jr., chairman of the board of RELM Communications, Inc., (NASDAQ-NMS: RGCY) announced today that RELM, O.F. Mossberg & Sons, Inc. and Maverick Arms, Inc. have signed a letter of intent to combine all of their operations into one new company. The new company's common stock would be owned 22 percent by the former shareholders of RELM and 78 percent by the former shareholders of Mossberg and Maverick and is expected to trade in the NASDAQ National Market System. Alan Mossberg would become chairman of the board and chief executive officer and Mr. Mossberg and his family would own the majority of the outstanding shares of the new company's common stock.

The transaction is subject to, among other things, further due diligence by each party, receipt of appropriate fairness opinions from the parties' investment banking firms, regulatory approvals, negotiation and execution of a mutually acceptable definitive agreement, and approval of such definitive agreement by the respective boards of directors and shareholders.

Mossberg is a privately held company headquartered in North Haven, Conn., which is engaged in the design, manufacture and sale of shotguns. Mossberg was founded in 1919 and believes it is the largest manufacturer of pump shotguns in the United States. Maverick is engaged in the same business as Mossberg.

Mossberg and Maverick's combined audited results for the fiscal year ended

Sept. 30, 1990, included sales of approximately $59 million and net income after taxes of approximately $4.5 million. For the fiscal years ended Sept. 30, 1988 and 1989, combined audited results included sales of approximately $38.7 million and $42.4 million, respectively, and net income (loss) after taxes of approximately $844,764 and ($1.6 million), respectively.

RELM designs, manufactures and sells land mobile communications equipment, cellular telephones, utility demand side management systems, electronic components and engages in contract manufacturing.

RELM's approximately 11 million common shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol RGCY.

"The transaction would combine the attractive Mossberg income statement with RELM's strong balance sheet," stated Mr. Mossberg. "We feel this is a 'win-win' transaction for all shareholders."

CONTACT: Ralph R. Whitney Jr. of RELM Communications, Inc., 317-545-4281

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#90332p8838 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI BEACH, FL (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Equipment Corp. (NYSE: DEC) and Systems & Computer Technology Corp. (NASDAQ: SCTC), a leading supplier of administrative applications for higher education, announced an agreement today to jointly market SCT's BANNER(A) Series for higher education running on Digital computer systems.

The agreement, announced at the annual meeting of the CAUSE educational technology association, is part of Digital's Cooperative Marketing Program (CMP).

The agreement enables the two companies to work more closely together to meet a broad range of customer needs in administrative computing, including student administration, alumni development and Finance.

"We are very proud to be Digital's newest partner in higher education," said Michael D. Chamberlain, SCT senior vice president of software and technology services. "We expect that the greater synergy between our sales forces will enable us to develop and implement the right administrative solutions for our mutual clients."

SCT introduced the BANNER Series in 1988. The first implementation ran on a Digital platform, and more than half of SCT's BANNER licenses are on Digital systems today. More than 200 BANNER systems have been licensed by institutions nationwide -- from small, private universities to large, statewide higher education systems.

"We are pleased to work with a leading vendor of administrative software for colleges and universities through our Cooperative Marketing Program," said Roger Strickland, Digital's education marketing manager.

"The combination of BANNER's rule-based architecture and Digital's distributed processing capabilities creates a computing environment that enables decision-makers at all levels to access strategic information. This access is vital to higher education's need to increase productivity and cost-effectiveness," Strickland said.

SCT provides administrative software and computing management services for higher education institutions and local government jurisdictions nationwide. The company's headquarters are in Malvern, Pa., a suburb of Philadelphia.

Digital Equipment Corp., with headquarters in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from desktop to the data center.

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#90332p8840 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - North Canadian Oils Ltd. (AMEX: NCD; Toronto, Montreal: NCO) has filed with the Toronto and Montreal Stock Exchanges, a Notice of Intention to extend its current Normal Course Issuer Bid to Dec. 14, 1991. Subject to regulatory approval, the company will be authorized to buy back up to 1,830,000 of its common shares representing slightly less than five percent of the issued and outstanding common shares.

Under the terms of its current Normal Course Issuer Bid, which expires on Dec. 14, 1990, the company is authorized to buy back up to 1,767,000 of its common shares. The company has recently commenced buying back its common shares and has, since Nov. 14, 1990, acquired for cancellation 50,700 shares at an average per share price of (Cdn.) $13.96.

Norm Gish, president and chief executive officer of NCO, commented that NCO believes the buy back of its common shares represents an appropriate use of its funds in that the current market price of the common shares fails to reflect the full value of NCO's assets together with its future business prospects.

North Canadian Oils Ltd. is a financially and technically strong, Canadian oil and gas exploration, production and marketing company. The company's common shares are traded on the Toronto and Montreal Stock Exchanges in Canada and the American Stock Exchange in the United States.

CONTACT: G. Barry Padley, Sr. VP-Finance and Administration, North Canadian Oils Limited, 403-261-4320

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#90332p8841 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Lucas Aul, Garden City, N.Y., has been awarded a $62 million contract by the Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA), Washington, for the production, integration and support of the AN/SRQ-4 Radio Terminal Set.

The AN/SRQ-4 is a shipboard receiver/transmitter used for communication with the SH-60BF Seahawk helicopter as part of the Navy's Light Airborne Multi-Purpose System (LAMPS) program.

The contract is valued at more than $62 million over a five year period. Initial production is valued at more than $14 million.

Lucas Epsco, Hopkinton, Mass., also will participate in the AN/SRQ-4 program. Lucas Aul will provide overall program management, engineering and production services, and Lucas Epsco will supply engineering and production services for the radio's RF components.

Lucas Aul and Lucas Epsco are operating divisions of Lucas Aerospace Communications & Electronics Inc. Lucas Aul provides build-to-print and and build-to-spec products and weapons and communications system upgrades for the military electronics community. Lucas Epsco designs and manufactures high power RF and microwave components and subsystems for both the military and commercial markets.

With operations in the United Kingdom, North America and France, and an extensive network of customer support and marketing facilities worldwide, Lucas Aerospace employs 12,000 people and generates annual revenues approaching $1.3 billion. Primary business units include: Engine Systems, Flight Control and Actuation Systems, Aircraft Systems, Communications and Electronics, and Customer Support.

CONTACT: Renate H. Zelko, 703-264-2387, or Bob Moulton or Liz Underhill, 703-620-0141, all of Lucas Aerospace

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#90332p8843 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTWOOD, MA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bird Corporation (NASDAQ: BIRD) have declared a quarterly dividend of $0.4625 per share on Bird's $1.85 cumulative convertible preference stock, payable Feb. 15 1991 to stockholders of record Jan. 25, 1991.

Bird Corporation is an international, U.S.-based manufacturer and distributor of building materials products and a provider of environmental services.

CONTACT: William A. Krivsky, executive vice president and CFO of Bird Corporation, 617-461-1414

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#90332p8844 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

FREMONT, MICH. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Gerber Products Company (NYSE: GEB) today announced the election of Robert L. Johnston as vice chairman and a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors. Johnston, formerly was Gerber Products Division president and corporate executive vice president.

James T. Smith was named Gerber Products Division president and corporate executive vice president effective Jan. 1, 1991. Smith, 43, who joins Gerber from Procter & Gamble Company, also was elected to the Executive Committee of the Gerber Board of Directors.

"Both Bob and Jim will report to me and play a key role in maintaining Gerber Products Company's success in providing long-term shareholder benefits," said Al Piergallini, Gerber chairman, president and CEO.

A 45-year Gerber veteran, Johnston held sales, product manager, manufacturing and marketing positions prior to becoming general manager of the Gerber Products Division and corporate vice president in 1985. He was promoted to executive vice president in 1986 and in 1990 was elected a director of the company and president of the Gerber Products Division.

Smith joins Gerber from Procter & Gamble Company, where he has held a variety of increasingly responsible marketing and advertising positions in both domestic and international areas since 1971. He has been located in Europe since 1987, most recently as general manager, Germany - Health and Beauty Aids. His marketing experience includes diapers and a wide variety of food and toiletry goods.

A graduate of Cornell University, Smith holds an M.B.A. and a B.S. in chemistry. He is married and has two children.

CONTACT: L. James Lovejoy of Gerber Products Company, 616-928-2889

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#90332p8846 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MORRISTOWN, NJ (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Barringer Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: BARR) today reported that for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the

company reported sales of $2,698,000 compared to sales of $2,396,000 for the comparable quarter in 1989, an increase of 13 percent. Sales for the nine-month period were $7,338,000 versus $6,564,000 for the comparable period in 1989, an increase of 12 percent.

Barringer's net loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $705,000 or $.12 per share, versus net income of $70,000 or $.02 per share for the 1989 comparable quarter. The loss for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $1,366,000 or $.24 per share, versus a loss of $600,000 or $.20 per share in 1989.

Stanley Binder, president, commented, "Sales from our 49 percent owned Barringer Laboratories subsidiary (whose results are consolidated herein), continued to reach new record levels, driven by the outstanding performance of the Ontario-based environmental laboratory.

"During the third quarter, sales and marketing, as well as pre- production engineering activity for our Ionscan drug and explosives product line, continued at an intense pace. Ionscan was demonstrated for various federal and state governmental agencies with outstanding results, leading us to believe that purchase orders from these agencies will be received in the not-too-distant future. Orders have already been received to build a system for use in sawmills and for delivery to the Middle East. We expect to continue our efforts and resultant expense levels for the balance of the year in anticipation of forthcoming sales."

Headquartered in Morristown, Barringer Resources Inc. is a holding company with two operating entities. Barringer Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ: BALB), 49 percent owned, provides analytical testing services for the environmental and minerals industries. Barringer Instruments Inc. develops, manufactures and markets specialty analytical instruments for security, law enforcement, exploration and environmental monitoring applications.

BARRINGER RESOURCES, INC.
Consolidated Results of Operations
(In thousands except share data)

Periods ended	Quarter		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$2,698	$2,396	$7,338	$6,564
Income/(loss) from continuing operations	(705)	87	(1,366)	(496)
Loss from discontinued operations	--	(17)	--	(104)
Net income/(loss)	(705)	70	(1,366)	(600)
Per share data: Net income/(loss) per share from continuing operations	$(.12)	$.02	$(.24)	$(.17)
Net loss per share from discontinued operations	--	--	--	(.03)

Net income/(loss) per share	(.12)	.02	(.24)	(.20)
Weighted average shares outstanding	5,977,432	3,688,465	5,962,621	3,321,001

CONTACT: Stanley Binder, president of Barringer Resources, 201-984-5760; or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Barringer

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#90332p8851 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - CEO Roger L. Hale today announced that Tennant (NASDAQ: TANT) will be making operational changes in the contracting portion of its floor coatings business in order to improve profitability and provide better customer service. The primary change will involve greater use of authorized independent contractors to apply Tennant floor coatings, and a reduction in company-owned application crews. This will result in a one-time charge to net earnings in the fourth quarter of $625,000, or 13 cents per share, to cover employee severance and other expenses related to the changes.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Tennant's sales of contract floor coatings were $9.5 million, down 12 percent from the same period last year. Gross profit from this product line declined 44 percent due mainly to excess contracting capacity resulting from declining and geographically uneven sales.

Regarding the outlook for floor coatings, Hale stated, "Tennant has been in the business for many years and we continue to believe that it offers an opportunity for profitable growth. We are making steady progress in the refinement and expansion of our solvent-free coating system, which includes patented mechanical preparation processes and an Eco-Coatings(TM) product line. While we may experience a further order slowdown in the near-term due to general economic conditions and a shift in selling focus, we feel that the planned operational changes and continued product refinements will develop into a distinct competitive advantage."

Hale also commented on the outlook for full year 1990 earnings, "In our third quarter report we indicated that we thought we could surpass 1989's earnings per share, before unusual items in both years, provided that economic conditions did not deteriorate. So far during the fourth quarter, business conditions remain soft. Nevertheless, we believe it is still possible to achieve an earnings increase."

For 1989, Tennant reported earnings per share of $2.87 which included a 24 cents per share gain on the sale of land. For 1990, the company expects to report unusual and extraordinary earnings of about 67 cents per share, net of the 13 cents per share charge related to operational changes in the floor coatings business.

Tennant is the world's leading manufacturer of floor maintenance equipment.

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#90332p8852 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied Irish Banks plc (AIB Group), the Irish-based international banking and financial services group that owns First Maryland Bancorp, began trading its common shares in the form of American Depository Receipts (ADRs) today on the New York Stock Exchange.

"The listing points up AIB Group's emphasis on further growth in the United States and the fact that over 30 percent of the group's assets are in the United States," said Jeremiah E. Casey, chief executive of AIB Group's USA Division during a ceremony at the New York Stock Exchange marking the start of trading in the ADRs. Casey purchased the first 500 ADRs lot.

One of the new ADRs (NYSE: AIB) represents six ordinary shares. ADRs representing AIB preference shares have traded on the New York Stock Exchange since 1989 under the symbol AIB pr.

Profits & Dividends Rise AIB Group, headquartered in Dublin, is Ireland's largest bank and the country's largest financial services group. As of Sept. 30, 1990, AIB Group posted assets of $29 billion, a 13 percent net profit rise for the half-year and an 11.5 percent increase in its semi-annual dividend.

CONTACT: Carol E. Dunsworth of First Maryland Bancorp, 301-244-4913; or Paul Whitelaw of Hill and Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for First Maryland

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#90332p8854 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

WELLESLEY, MASS. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - EG&G (NYSE: EGG) has announced an agreement to purchase the Electro Optics business of GE Canada Inc. Electro Optics designs and manufactures advanced semiconductor emitters and detectors for specialized defense, space, telecommunications and industrial applications. This business generates sales in excess of $20 million.

"This acquisition represents yet another step in our continuing emphasis on electro optics. This particular organization provides EG&G with the opportunity to refocus some of its component activities and offers a much broader spectrum of performance-based components to the market," noted Chairman John M. Kucharski.

The plant at Vaudreuil, Quebec, has sufficient capacity to grow the business and extend the product synergy with existing EG&G facilities in the United States. The purchase will be made in cash, which will be furnished through

corporate borrowings. A year-end closing is planned.

EG&G is a diversified Fortune 300 company that employs more than 30,000 people worldwide to provide scientific and technical products and services to commercial and governmental customers. The company's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol EGG.

CONTACT: Deborah S. Lorenz of EG&G, 617-431-4306 or Paul S. Jacot of GE Canada 416-858-5678

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#90332p8855 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Rowland Worldwide, Inc., the public relations subsidiary of Saatchi & Saatchi Plc (NYSE: SAA) and one of the world's five largest PR firms, has announced the full acquisition of its associate company in France, L'Agence Groupe 7. The firm will now operate as The Rowland Company, Groupe 7 in Paris.

Pierre-Jean Gre, founder of the company, continues as chief executive officer. The firm has long-standing associations with prominent clients in both the public and commercial sectors in France, including The Louvre, Paris International Conference Center, Sandoz Corp., EuroDisneyland and the Ile de France Agency for Corporate Development.

Rowland Worldwide, with 34 offices on five continents, is an independent operating unit of Saatchi Holdings. Headquartered in New York, the firm employs more than 750 people with annualized fee billings of $50 million.

In announcing the French acquisition, Herbert L. Rowland, chairman and CEO of the worldwide company, said the move was important in solidifying the company's place in the Continental European marketplace. "We're pleased that this relationship of several years has led to Groupe 7 now becoming The Rowland Company of France," he said.

European Chairman Alan Capper said the Paris operation would be an important component in the company's future operations. "The growth of Paris as a financial center and as a choice for headquarters offices of many multinational corporations underlines the importance of this market," he said.

CONTACT: Jeff Sharlach, 212-527-8806, or Alan Capper, (London) 44-71-436-4060 or Pierre-Jean Gre, (Paris) 33-1-45-55-28-40, all of Rowland Worldwide

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NORTH BRUNSWICK, NJ (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Guest Supply, Inc. (NASDAQ: GEST) announced today that net sales for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990

increased to $75,265,000 from the $69,879,000 reported last year. The net loss for the fiscal year was reduced to $333,000 or nine cents per share compared with last year's net loss of $1,861,000 or 49 cents per share.

Net sales for the fourth quarter were $21,266,000 compared to $19,182,000 in the prior year. Net income for the fourth quarter was $404,000 or ten cents per share versus a loss of $937,000 or 25 cents per share in the fourth quarter last year.

Commenting on the results, Clifford W. Stanley, president and CEO of Guest Supply said, "We are pleased with the progress we made in fiscal 1990 toward returning the company to profitability. The net loss was reduced to $333,000 from a $1,861,000 loss last year, and sales increased 14 percent if discontinued operations are eliminated for both periods.

"We are particularly pleased with the fourth quarter results. Sales in that period also increased 14 percent excluding discontinued operations, and the net income of $404,000 is a marked improvement from last year's loss of $937,000.

"Over the past two years we have made a substantial investment in building a national sales and distribution network. We are now seeing a return from this investment as sales volume exceeds the level necessary to cover the fixed costs associated with this expansion.

"In addition, improved efficiency and higher volume at our manufacturing facility resulted in that operation making a positive contribution to profitability in the fourth quarter."

Guest Supply is the leading manufacturer and marketer of toiletries, personal care products, and other amenities, as well as housekeeping and accessory products, to the lodging industry in the United States.

GUEST SUPPLY, INC. (In thousands, except per share)

Periods ended	Twelve months		Three months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$75,265	$69,879	$21,266	$19,182
Operating income (loss)	1,019	(637)	770	(563)
Net income (loss)	(333)	(1,861)	404	(937)
Earnings (loss) per share	($0.09)	($0.49)	$.10	($0.25)
Average shares outstanding	3,825	3,779	3,950	3,790

CONTACT: Clifford W. Stanley, president of Guest Supply, (201) 246-3011, or Anthony J. Russo or Claudia Mueller of Noonan/Russo Communications, (212) 979-9180, for Guest Supply.

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has cited Pennsylvania Power and Light Company (PP&L) for alleged violations associated with deficiencies in evaluating and qualifying equipment in its Susquehanna Steam Electric Station at Berwick, Pa., and failing to promptly correct those deficiencies once they had been identified. The NRC staff proposes to fine PP&L $25,000 for one of the violations.

The phrase "environmental qualification" refers to establishing that electrical equipment located in the reactor containment building has been demonstrated to be capable of working and withstanding the high temperature, pressure, radiation, and humidity conditions that would accompany an accident that releases a lot of steam and water into the building.

An NRC inspection was held on Aug. 13 through Sept. 7, 1990, at Susquehanna Units 1 & 2 to review the implementation of certain aspects of the licensee's environmental qualification program. The inspection was initiated after PP&L informed the NRC of problems with certain polyurethane damper actuator seals.

During the inspection, the NRC found that in addition to the seals, concerns also existed regarding the environmental qualification of certain "Limitorque" valve actuators.

The NRC was particularly concerned that although PP&L's staff identified the concerns with the valve actuators in March and July, 1988, the company had not at the time of the NRC inspection in 1990, adequately established the qualification of the actuators.

Although PP&L subsequently informed the NRC staff on Nov. 15, 1990, that it had completed an analysis and found the valve actuators to be environmentally qualified, Thomas T. Martin, regional administrator of NRC, Region I, expressed concern over the length of time that had already passed without resolution of these issues.

In the letter informing PP&L of this enforcement action, Thomas T. Martin, regional administrator, also said, "This violation represents a significant regulatory concern because it resulted in operation of the facility with a large number of safety-related motor operated valves of indeterminate quality for an extended period of time."

The base penalty for such a violation is $50,000. However, after taking into consideration the licensee's corrective actions and overall good past performance, the fine was reduced by 50 percent to $25,000.

PP&L has been given 30 days to either pay the proposed fine or to request in writing that all or part of it be withdrawn, giving the reasons for such a request. The company also has been given 30 days to admit or deny the alleged violation, to give reasons for it if admitted, then to describe the actions

taken to prevent a recurrence in the future, and to give the date by which it expects to be in full compliance with NRC regulations.

CONTACT: Karl Abraham or Diane Screnci of NRC Public Affairs, (215) 337-5000, or (215) 337-5330.

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WOODBURY, NY (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Comverse Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: CMVT) today announced the appointment of Dan Bodner as director of its Government Systems Division with responsibility for the supervision of all activities in North America relating to the company's government systems products, including its multiple channel digital recording systems marketed under the name of AudioDisk(R).

Kobi Alexander, president and chairman of the board of Comverse, stated that, "The rapid escalation in the demand for these systems in the North American markets, combined with large new orders for AudioDisk emanating from our established customer base plus our current and prospective sales in Western Europe, create a very real possibility that worldwide revenues from our Government Systems Division will approach the level of our commercial product sales within the foreseeable future."

Bodner added that, "We are just beginning to scratch the surface of the market here and its looks like the potential business is very large. We are in the process of installing AudioDisk systems with two major North American government agencies and have active discussions under way with many of the largest potential users here. We are also in advanced negotiations for a joint venture to market a version of the AudioDisk system for a variety of local government and commercial applications. The potential demand for digital recording and processing in these areas is perceived as extremely large and Comverse believes that it has a meaningful competitive advantage in a number of these markets."

Comverse, located in Woodbury, N.Y., develops, manufactures and markets high performance computer systems for commercial and defense communications applications, including multi-media message management systems under the name of Trilogue(R).

CONTACT: Kobi Alexander, president and chairman, David Chuchinsky or Brian D. Wiltshire, 516-921-0470, of Comverse

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TORONTO (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Trustco Limited today announced a net loss of $8,642,000 or $1.25 per common share, for the three months ended

Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $4,154,000 or $0.55 per common share, for the corresponding 1989 period.

The third quarter results brought the loss for the first nine months of 1990 to $58,823,000, or $8.40 per common share, compared with net income of $12,006,000, or $1.60 per common share, for the first months of 1989.

The company said that the results incorporate the findings of an audit of the June 30, 1990 financial statements and are due primarily to the declining real estate markets and high interest rates that have dominated the economy for much of 1990.

Total assets of the company grew by 6.5 percent to $1,754,424,000 as of Sept. 30, 1990 from $1,646,947,000 a year earlier. The level of non-performing loans rose to $230,076,000 at Sept. 30, 1990 from $27,514,000 a year earlier and triggered a respective increase in the company's provision for losses on mortgages to $59,635,000 from $495,000.

The company said that it continues to work closely with its bankers and regulators to finalize a plan for the restructuring of its operations. The company said the adjusted book value of Standard Trustco's assets remains in excess of the deposits they secure and, in addition, more than 95 percent of all deposits are covered by the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation.

CONTACT: Ed Shiller of Standard Trustco, (416) 496-2243 or (416) 865-1991.

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#90332p8878 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ONEIDA, NY (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Oneida Ltd. (NYSE: OCQ) today announced results for the third quarter of 1990, reporting net income of $3,871,000 equal to 40 cents per share on sales of $124,598,000 for the three months ended Oct. 27, 1990. This compares to net income of $4,371,000 equal to 43 cents per share on sales of $115,737,000 for the same period a year ago.

For the first nine months of its fiscal year, Oneida reported net income of $7,492,000 equal to 77 cents per share on sales of $329,917,000. This compares to net income of $12,799,000 equal to $1.30 per share on sales of $317,258,000 for the first nine months a year ago.

Last year's nine months figures included a non-operational after-tax gain of $1,433,000 equal to 14 cents per share attributable to the sale of the company's manufacturing facilities in Bangor, Northern Ireland. All per share figures have been adjusted to reflect the company's previously announced 10 percent stock dividend, which was effective Nov. 17, 1989.

CONTACT: David A. Gymburch of Oneida Ltd., 315-361-3271

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#90332p8883 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
BEDFORD, MASS. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Atex Publishing Systems and Neasi-Weber International of Northridge, Calif., today jointly announced certification of an interface between Neasi-Weber's ADMARC display advertising order entry and management system and ATEX Architect ad dummying software.

Atex and Neasi-Weber have been working together at The Memphis Commercial Appeal to ensure completion of the project that interfaces all components of ADMARC to the Atex Architect system.

"With the ADMARC system interface in our portfolio of products, Atex rounds out its industry leading set of advertising products with the premier billing, accounts receivable, and MIS package available today," said Harland K. LaVigne Atex president, Worldwide Distribution. "Furthermore, the joint development of this interface demonstrates our continued commitment to integrating other systems into the Atex system."

ADMARC is a user-defined and fully integrated business management information system that links each step in the ad-publishing cycle, from order entry to accounts receivable. ADMARC handles all aspects of of ad processing, from reserving advertising space, pricing, and billing the ads to reporting on the information for business and marketing analysis. Unlike ATEX Integrated Advertising System Software, ADMARC does not actually create the composed ad, but with the Architect-ADMARC interface information can be passed between the two systems, giving newspaper publishers the opportunity to better manage their daily operations.

The Architect-ADMARC interface will allow display ad information taken on the ADMARC front-end system to be accessed by Architect software for ad dummying. At the conclusion of ad dummying, placement information can be returned from Architect to ADMARC.

In addition, newspapers can report and bill ads located on the ADMARC front-end system according to placement information supplied by Architect. Customers will also be able to print out page dummies of ad stacks for review by supporting departments in the newspaper.

CONTACT: David Stern of Atex Publishing Systems, 617-276-7844

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#90332p8888 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Florida Power & Light Company is assisting the Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services in distributing applications for families seeking federal funds to help meet energy bills this winter.

According to Kathy McDonald, FPL manager of consumer affairs, applications for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program are currently available at all FPL business offices. McDonald said applications must be filed with HRS between Dec. 3, 1990 and Jan. 18, 1991, and that eligibility for assistance is determined by HRS.

"This year the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program will provide an estimated $18.9 million in financial assistance to Floridians," said McDonald. She said almost $15 million was disbursed for electric service last winter.

"We're very pleased with that rate of success," McDonald said. "It shows that applications are reaching those customers who need help paying their energy bills."

She said families or individuals currently receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children, food stamps, supplemental security income or certain veteran's benefits generally qualify for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

According to HRS guidelines, applicants must have a verified income that does not exceed the state's poverty level: $576 per month for a single person, $772 per month for two people, $968 per month for three people, plus $196 for each additional person. "A household with income exceeding the limit still may be eligible," McDonald said, "because some types of incomes are not considered by HRS."

Applications for Low-Income Home Energy Assistance are available at HRS offices, some city and county welfare offices and other community organizations, in addition to FPL business offices.

CONTACT: Florida Power & Light Company corporate communications department, (305) 552-3894 or (305) 552-3895.

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#90332p8892 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - FMC Corp. (NYSE: FMC) said today that it has developed a process which can efficiently deacidify and strengthen millions of books and other historic hand-written documents to keep them from eventually disintegrating into dust.

Dr. Robert S. Wedinger, manager of preservation systems at FMC's Lithium Division, said FMC has designed its process so that books can be taken directly off the shelf, put in sealed containers, treated in large quantities and returned to the library all without being touched by human hands. Wedinger spoke at a media briefing here.

According to Wedinger, another major advantage of the FMC process is that the treated pages are virtually indistinguishable from untreated ones. The entire process is non-toxic and environmentally safe.

"For years, there have been methods to save individual books by hand, but they are expensive and extremely time-consuming. These methods are used on only select books," Wedinger said. "Our process is geared for mass preservation of books to achieve economy of scale." Wedinger added that the FMC process is the only system which both strengthens paper as well as deacidifies for an extended useful life.

According to archivists at the Library of Congress, more than 300 million books in North American research libraries and 400 million in Europe are in need of some sort of preservation.

The Library of Congress alone has 21 million books and is seeking competitive bids from chemical processing companies for a program aimed at saving 16 million endangered volumes.

"We have been researching and developing this mass preservation technology over the past three years to solve the worldwide problem of book deterioration in libraries," Wedinger said.

Wedinger, a co-developer of the FMC process, said that FMC has opened a $1 million demonstration plant in Bessemer City, N.C., which is capable of treating 300,000 books per year. "Once we have contracts, we intend to build commercial plants near our customers to minimize transportation of the books," Wedinger said.

FMC Corp., headquartered in Chicago, is one of the world's leading producers of machinery and chemicals for industry, government and agriculture. The company operates 88 manufacturing and mining facilities in 24 states and 21 foreign countries.

The company divides its businesses into five major segments: industrial chemicals, precious metals, defense systems, performance chemicals, and machinery and equipment.

CONTACT: Pat Brozowski of FMC, (312) 861-6104; or Verla Martinson, (312) 565-1200, or Roy Wiley at the Waldorf Astoria, (212) 872-4700, both of Hill and Knowlton, for FMC.

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MOUNT CLEMENS, MI (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - First National Bank Corp. (NASDAQ: MTCL) announced today that its board of directors has adopted a Shareholders Rights Plan in which common stock purchase rights will be distributed as a

dividend at the rate of one Right for each common share held as of the close of business on Dec. 18, 1990.

The Rights Plan is designed to deter coercive or unfair takeover tactics and to prevent an acquirer from gaining control of the company without offering a fair price to all of the company's shareholders. The Rights will expire on Dec. 18, 1998.

The Plan was not adopted in response to any effort to acquire control of the company, and the board of directors has no knowledge of any such effort now being contemplated.

In a letter being sent to shareholders, Harold W. Allmacher, president and chief executive officer, said the Plan is intended to protect the interests of First National Bank Corp.'s shareholders in the event the company is confronted with coercive or unfair takeover tactics. He noted that such tactics include "offers that do not treat all shareholders equally, the acquisition in the open market of shares constituting control without offering fair value to all shareholders, and other coercive or unfair takeover tactics that could impair the board of directors' ability to represent shareholders' interests fully."

Allmacher stressed that the Plan "is not intended to prevent an acquisition of the company on terms that are favorable and fair to all shareholders. The Plan is designed to deal with the very serious problem of unilateral actions by hostile acquirers which are calculated to deprive a company's board and its shareholders of their ability to determine the destiny of the company."

Each Right will entitle holders of First National Bank Corp.'s common stock to buy one share of common stock of the company at an exercise price of $60. The Rights will be exercisable only if a person or group acquires beneficial ownership of 25 percent or more of the company's common shares, commences a tender or exchange offer upon consummation of which such person or group would beneficially own 25 percent or more of the common shares, or if any person, alone or together with affiliates and associates, has become the beneficial owner of at least 10 percent of the shares of common stock outstanding and the board of directors has determined that such person is an "adverse person" as defined under the Rights Plan.

If any person becomes the beneficial owner of 25 percent or more of the company's common shares other than pursuant to an offer for all shares which is fair to and otherwise in the best interests of the company and its shareholders or if the board declares a person to be an adverse person, each Right not owned by such person or related parties will enable its holder to purchase, at the Right's then-current exercise price, common shares of First National Bank Corp. having a value of twice the Right's exercise price. In addition, if First National Bank Corp. is involved in a merger or other business combination transaction with another person in which its shares are

changed or converted, or sells more than 50 percent of its assets to another person or persons, each Right that has not previously been exercised will entitle its holder to purchase, at the Right's then-current exercise price, common shares of such other person having a value of twice the Right's exercise price.

The company will generally be entitled to redeem the Rights at $0.01 per Right at any time until the 10th business day following public announcement that a 25-percent position has been acquired. The company may not redeem the Rights if the board of directors has previously declared a person to be an adverse person.

Details of the Shareholder Rights Plan are outlined in a letter, which is being mailed to all shareholders.

First National Bank Corp. is the parent of First National Bank in Macomb County and Bankers Fund Life Insurance Co. All are headquartered in Mount Clemens. The bank provides retail and commercial banking services to residents, businesses and institutions in Macomb County through its 15 offices. Bankers Fund, an Arizona reinsurance corporation, offers a variety of credit life and credit disability reinsurance to bank loan customers.

At Sept. 30, 1990, the corporation had 1,208,786 shares of common stock issued; 1,198,786 outstanding.

CONTACT: Lynda Thomas, 313-465-2400, Ext. 261, or Richard Miller, 313-465-2400, Ext. 240, both of First National Bank Corp.

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CONSHOHOCKEN, PA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - S.W.W. Lubsen, president and chief operating officer of Quaker Chemical Corp. (NASDAQ: QCHM), today announced the appointment of Clifford E. Montgomery to the newly created position of vice president-human resources.

His principal responsibilities will include the management of all human resource issues on a global and corporate basis. Montgomery has served in various capacities over a 20-year period with the General Electric Co., including a three-year assignment in The Netherlands.

Quaker Chemical Corp. is a producer of industrial chemical specialties, serving the steel, motor vehicle, metalworking, pulp and paper, and other industries on a global basis.

CONTACT: Karl H. Spaeth, vp and corporate secretary of Quaker Chemical, (215) 828-4250.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Caesars World Inc. (NYSE: CAW) announced that the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey today approved the previously announced settlement of lawsuits related to Caesars World's $22-per-share tender offer for any and all of the 2,175,945 shares of Caesars New Jersey Inc. (AMEX: CJN) it does not already own.

The offer, which had previously been extended, is scheduled to expire at 12 midnight (New York time) on Nov. 30, 1990. Caesars World does not currently anticipate further extensions of the offer.

Under the terms of the settlement, Caesars amended the offer to provide for the payment of interest on the offer price. For those shares tendered, interest began accruing on Sept. 22, 1990, and is being computed at the 26-week Treasury Bill rate of 7.45 percent (approximately $0.0045 per day) in effect on Aug. 20, 1990.

Also under the terms of the settlement, the company agreed to make an additional cash payment of 25 cents per share to shareholders of Caesars New Jersey whose shares are purchased in the tender offer, subject to final court approval of the settlement. Today's court decision is subject to appeal for 30 days.

As part of the settlement, Caesars World has agreed that in the event it purchases at least 549,792 shares of Caesars New Jersey stock in the tender offer -- giving the company ownership of at least 90 percent of the outstanding shares -- it will effect a merger of Caesars New Jersey with Caesars World or a Caesars World subsidiary. In such a merger, shareholders would be entitled to receive $22.25 per share in cash, without interest. Caesars World also has agreed to provide for appraisal rights in connection with the merger.

The offer continues to be subject to all terms and conditions in the offering materials previously distributed to shareholders.

Caesars World currently holds approximately 86.6 percent of Caesars New Jersey's 16,261,531 outstanding shares. As of the close of business on Nov. 27, 1990, approximately 1,748,384 shares had been tendered pursuant to the offer.

CONTACT: Jack Leone of Caesars World Inc., 213-552-2711, ext. 263

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LONDON (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Maxwell Communications Corporation plc today

released the following statement by its chairman, Robert Maxwell:

I am pleased to report that during the six months to Sept. 30, 1990, the group's profit before tax increased to 90.1 million pounds sterling, a rise of 5.9 percent (1989: 85.1 million pounds).

The directors have declared an increased interim dividend of 7 pence per share (1989: 6.5p) a rise of 7.7 percent.

These results were achieved in spite of the more difficult economic conditions prevailing in both the United States and United Kingdom as well as in the rest of the world.

Our operating profit from publishing at 108 million pounds was 50 percent ahead of the profits in the corresponding period last year. These results include full contribution from Macmillan and Official Airline Guides (OAG) whereas in the same period last year we only had the benefit of Macmillan's contribution for 10 weeks and OAG's for two weeks.

On a strictly comparable basis the operating profits of our publishing and information services businesses in the U.S. have increased by 12.5 percent compared with the same period last year.

The operating profits for the six months to Sept. 30, 1990, compared with the same period in 1989 show, because of deterioration in the U.K. and U.S. property markets, a sharp reduction in profits earned by the property division to only 15.1 million pounds (1989: 32 million pounds).

An increase of 30 million pounds in net interest costs arises from the consolidation of the acquisition of Macmillan and OAG. The increase in the net interest costs coupled with a sharp reduction in non- publishing profits were substantially offset by treasury management activities which achieved a foreign exchange profit of 45.7 million pounds (1989: 4.9 million pounds). The foreign exchange profit arose mainly from the process of managing the repayment of our short-term syndicated bank debt. In the second half of the year approximately 7 million pounds of foreign exchange profits have already been achieved.

As shareholders are aware, a very substantial part of the group's operations and assets are in the U.S.A. The 14 percent depreciation of the dollar against sterling during the period has therefore meant that for the time being our net assets in sterling terms have been reduced by an exchange translation loss amounting to 95 million pounds. As in prior years, this has been taken to reserves. Your board remains convinced that we have adopted the right policy of committing much of our long-term investment in the U.S. It is widely anticipated that there will be a strong recovery in 1991 in the value of the U.S. dollar, a view which your board shares. The effect of such a recovery would be to produce an unrealized profit which would in turn be

credited to the group's reserves.

The increase in minority interests reflects a successful public offering in 1989 of Berlitz International Inc. and the preferred share placing by OAG.

Because of your board's refusal to dispose of assets at other than full prices no significant asset disposals were completed during the period under review. Consequently the net debt at Sept. 30, 1990, was 1.9 billion pounds and the interest costs were substantially higher than anticipated.

Since Sept. 30, 1990, the company has been able to complete at satisfactory prices disposals to the value of 258 million pounds.

We look forward to a satisfactory outcome for the year. Interim Results for the Six Months to Sept. 30, 1990 -- Pretax profit: 90.1 million pounds (1989: 85.1 million pounds) +5.9 percent

-- Earnings per share 10p (1989: 10.3p) -2.9 percent -- Interim dividend increased to 7p per share (1989: 6.5p) +7.7 percent -- Profit from publishing and professional data base information services 108 million pounds (1989: 71.8 million pounds) +50.4 percent

CONTACT: Kevin Maxwell of Maxwell Communications, 071-822-2000, or the Maxwell Communications press office, 071-822-3646

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HARTFORD, CT (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Connecticut Natural Gas Corporation (NYSE: CTG) today announced that it will adopt a fiscal year ending Sept. 30 for financial reporting purposes, commencing in 1991. Currently, the company's fiscal year coincides with the calendar year.

Victor H. Frauenhofer, president and chief executive officer said, "The Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control, at the request of Connecticut's gas utilities, has authorized the companies to change their fiscal years. The principal purpose of the shift is to include a single and continuous heating season in each fiscal year and to reflect the industry's planning and gas procurement cycles. Fiscal years ending in September are common in the natural gas industry."

The company will continue to report on a calendar year basis through Dec. 31, 1990. In succeeding years, the company will report year-end results for the periods ending Sept. 30.

In an unrelated development, the company also announced that it will be repurchasing shares of its outstanding common stock in order to make those same shares available for issuance under its dividend reinvestment plan.

CNG has maintained a dividend reinvestment plan for many years. In recent periods, newly issued shares have been used exclusively to satisfy the plan's requirements.

In making this change to use repurchased shares, the company stated its expectation that the repurchase of shares will continue for the next several months.

The number of shares to be acquired is intended to reflect the requirements of the dividend reinvestment plant over this period.

CONTACT: Mary M. Hart, 203-727-3155, or Maura M. Kearns, 203-727-3142, both of Connecticut Natural Gas

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MT. KISCO, NY (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Voltronics Corp. (AMEX: UVL) announced today that the company has entered into an agreement with a large medical equipment manufacturer to provide 25 power supplies for use with a versatile medical system.

The power supplies will be designed for a portable X-ray diagnostic system that can be used in emergency rooms, operating rooms, and related mobile applications. Unlike other portable X-ray units, this system is highly flexible and can be used for multiple diagnostics including interventional neuroradiology, subtraction angiography, and neurovascular applications.

Universal Voltronics has been selected to provide the power supplies based on the company's experience in the medical diagnostic field and a proven ability to design and manufacture high-voltage systems in compact packages. For mobile applications, a compact power supply is critical to the end product's transportability.

"The potential market for this type of portable X-ray system is quite large," said Barry Ressler, president of Universal Voltronics. "We are pursuing new markets such as these to continue expanding our commercial customer base."

Universal Voltronics designs and manufactures high-voltage power conversion systems for scientific and energy research, industrial, medical, and defense applications. Universal Voltronics is a subsidiary of Thermedics Inc. (AMEX: TMD) and Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

CONTACT: Natalie Karp of Universal Voltronics, (212) 935-2510.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Shareholders of Arkla, Inc. (NYSE: ALG) and Diversified Energies, Inc. (DEI) (NYSE: DEI) -- at special meetings held this morning in Shreveport, La., and Minneapolis -- voted to approve the merger of DEI with Arkla.

Officials from the two companies said the closing of the transaction is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 29, 1990 at which time DEI common stock will cease trading on the New York Stock Exchange and shareholders of DEI will automatically become shareholders of Arkla common stock.

When the merger is completed, DEI shareholders will hold about 25 percent of Arkla's common shares outstanding. The boards of directors of each of the companies approved the merger agreement last July.

Arkla and DEI are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbols ALG and DEI, respectively.

CONTACT: B.J. Gibson (media relations), 612-342-4782; or K.K. Sundberg (investor relations), 612-342-4833, both of DEI

-30- 1140

#90332p8911 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

BERKELEY HEIGHTS, N.J. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Customedix Corporation (AMEX: CUS), a dental and medical products company, announced today that it had reached an agreement in principle with New Jersey National Bank (the "bank") on Nov. 26, 1990, to extend the term of its loan (originally due Dec. 15, 1991) to Dec. 15, 1993.

This extension is, however, subject to successful negotiation and execution by the parties of a modification of the current loan agreement providing, among others, for new financial covenants and a new interest rate. It is anticipated that the new interest rate will be somewhat higher than that currently in effect.

Dr. Gordon S. Cohen, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, stated, "It is my belief that this extension of the term reflects the bank's renewed confidence in our ability to repay debt in a timely and consistent manner."

Cohen also stated that in light of the relatively short additional term of the loan and the desire to obtain additional working capital financing, the company is, nonetheless, continuing its discussions with other lenders with respect to a refinancing of its indebtedness.

Customedix Corporation, through its subsidiaries, supplies materials, devices and disposables for dental and medical health care.

CONTACT: Gordon S. Cohen, chairman and chief executive officer, or Barry Kosowsky, assistant treasurer, 203-265-7397, or Andrew A. Miller, chief financial officer, 201-464-2214, of Customedix

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#90332p8912 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

FREMONT, CALIF. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Lam Research Corp. (NASDAQ: LRCX) announced today that it is shipping one of its new Integrity Chemical Vapor Deposition (CVD) systems to the research consortium, MCNC (formerly the Microelectronics Center of North Carolina). In addition, MCNC officially instated Lam as its 11th affiliate member. As part of this alliance, the company's R&D team will work in concert with MCNC researchers to develop advanced CVD processes for the global semiconductor industry.

Chemical Vapor Deposition is one of the most demanding and essential steps in the manufacture of semiconductor devices. Without this vital process, advanced integrated circuit development would not be possible since the CVD reaction creates the film layers that become the building blocks of an integrated circuit (IC). These IC's or chips are used in a host of electronic and consumer products such as computers, telecommunications devices and automobiles.

According to Dr. Arnold Reisman, vice president of semiconductor research and technology at MCNC, "Lam's Integrity system is critical to our advanced CVD development work since it is capable of performing multiple process steps within a single chamber." This intra chamber approach is made possible by Integrity's controlled reaction environment which delivers tight control of flux, temperature, gas concentration and pressure, all crucial parameters in the successful deposition of advanced CVD films. "As a batch system, Integrity also offers important advantages in terms of cost-per-wafer processed," Reisman added.

MCNC, founded in 1980, is a private, non-profit industry and university consortium. Of its three divisions, the Center for Microelectronics concentrates on design, fabrication, packaging and test technologies to spur advances in sub-micron silicon integrated circuits. Comprised of 11 microelectronics affiliate members and seven associate members, MCNC's support extends to universities, research institutes and industry, and includes programs in advanced communications and supercomputing. About Lam Research:

Lam is a leading supplier of wafer processing equipment for the worldwide semiconductor industry and the leading supplier of single- wafer etchers. The company's broad product offerings are focused on etch and deposition, two of the most vital areas in the fabrication of current and future integrated circuits. Serving as the foundation for this focus, Lam has developed core technologies encompassing etch and CVD disciplines. Headquartered in Fremont,

Lam maintains customer support centers throughout the United States, Europe and the Pacific Rim to support its global customer base. Founded in 1980, Lam Research is publicly held and listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol LRCX.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - A new audio conferencing service that uniquely features personal 800 numbers and an immediate conferencing capability is now available from MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC).

MCI Forum, the new service, carries a guarantee that calls will begin precisely on time and that no caller will have to wait more than 10 minutes for the conference call to begin.

"MCI Forum is ideal for businesses that are fast-paced, have wide geographic range, and for whom time is critical," explained C. Thomas Faulders, senior vice president of MCI Enterprise Group.

"The market for conference calling is expected to expand during times of uncertain economic conditions, especially as companies face cutbacks in travel costs. For the executive who manages a staff which travels frequently or is widely dispersed, MCI Forum is the ideal communications tool.

"MCI Forum can be used in almost any situation where a meeting could facilitate a business decision," continued Faulders. "Some examples include sales meetings, crisis management situations, contract negotiations, market research, and project management."

Two unique features of MCI Forum are Personal 800 Meet Me and ASAP Calling, which are designed to make conference calling more convenient. Personal 800 Meet Me allows the customer to use the same 800 number for all conference calls and is ideal for mobile executives who regularly schedule conference calls. At the scheduled time, travelling employees need only dial their company's dedicated 800 number to be bridged into the conference call.

ASAP Calling is designed for the business person who needs to set up a conference call immediately. As soon as the call request is received by phone or fax, MCI Forum conference operators call all participants and bring them into the conference call as quickly as possible.

Customers wanting to use MCI Forum simply call a special 800 number and a

conference operator will assist in scheduling the conference call under a variety of options. In addition to Personal 800 Meet Me and ASAP Calling, MCI Forum also features Dial-Out Calling in which the operator calls each conference participant at a pre-reserved time and connects him or her to the conference. Canadian and international locations, as well as domestic sites, can be included in Dial-Out calls.

The charge for Dial-Out calls is 35 cents per minute and $6 per participant location for domestic calls. Cost for Personal 800 Meet Me is 45 cents per minute and $6 per participant location for domestic calls, plus a one-time setup charge of $35. Cost for ASAP depends on the call-type chosen, either Dial-Out or Personal 800 Meet ME, and is priced accordingly.

MCI Forum is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

CONTACT: MCI Communications Corporation, Corporate News Bureau, 1-800-289-0073, or 202-887-3000

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BOSTON (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Gregory L. Moore has been named deputy managing editor/news at The Boston Globe, effective Jan. 1, it was announced today by Globe Editor John S. Driscoll.

In his new position, Moore will oversee daily news coverage in all areas. He will replace Kirk Scharfenberg, who was recently named editor of the editorial page.

A Boston resident, Moore is currently assistant managing editor/local news, a post he has held since Jan. 1, 1989. Prior to that, he was city editor for two years.

He joined the Globe in April 1986 as a senior assistant metro editor from The Plain Dealer in Cleveland, where he spent six years in various positions, as general assignment reporter, city hall reporter, state editor, and day city editor.

A 1976 graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University with a bachelor's degree in journalism and political science, Moore began his career in June 1976 at the Dayton (Ohio) Journal Herald as a general assignment reporter. In February 1980, he joined The Plain Dealer and in 1984 became part of that paper's management team as state editor.

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KA'UPULEHU, HAWAII (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Families who thought a Hawaiian holiday getaway was impossible this winter can start packing their suitcases and suntan oil. Kona Village Resort's 1990 Holiday Package may be sold out, but The Big Island luxury family resort is offering a pre- or post-holiday package, available Dec. 14-25, 1990, and Jan. 2-15, 1991.

Guests can enjoy a four-or seven-night pre-or post-holiday package, designed for families to escape the winter doldrums and create holiday memories to last a lifetime. The plan includes accommodations in one of 125 individual Polynesian style, thatched-roof luxury "hales" (cottages), three meals daily, fresh flower lei and rum punch greeting upon arrival, two splits of White Star Moet Chandon champagne, two Hapi robes and airport transfers.

Pre- or post-holiday rates start at $690 per adult, based on double occupancy, excluding tax and gratuities. Additional nights can be booked starting at $172.50 per adult, double occupancy. Rates for children sharing the room with their parents are $135 per day for kids over 12; 6-12 years, $100 per day; and 2-5 years, $53 per day with a daily charge of $25 for infants.

Kona Village Resort's elegantly appointed hales are secluded from the outside world by the ocean, surrounding lagoons, gardens and ancient lava flows. With the absence of in-room telephones, television, radios and cars, the property provides a refreshing alternative to the commercial megaresort.

Days are filled with a diverse offering of activities under the resort's all-inclusive Full American Plan. There is a weekly luau feast and manager's cocktail party, plus unlimited use of outrigger canoes, Sunfish sailboats, tennis, snorkeling gear and glass-bottom boats.

The highlight of the trip for youngsters is Keikis in Paradise, a children's program featuring a variety of holiday activities and supervised fun, tailored to tots and teens. Little ones will make snowflakes and holiday decorations while learning about ancient Hawaiian holiday customs, participate in fishing contests, finger painting, hula lessons, net throwing, poi pounding and coconut husking. Children 6-12 learn how to play the ukulele, are taught about local marine life, hunt for seashells, compete in a tennis tournament, go fishing and fly kites. Teenagers engage in some of the same activities -- plus snorkeling, sailing lessons and volleyball games. Keikis of all ages explore the ancient rock carvings in the resort's 15-acre petroglyph field.

For reservations or more information, contact Kona Village Resort, P.O. Box 1299, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii 96745; toll free in the U.S. 800-367-5290 or interisland 800-432-5450.

CONTACT: Patricia Dellegar or Maryellen Nugent of M. Silver Associates, 212-704-2020, for Kona Village Resort

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#90332p8928 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - GEICO Corporation (NYSE: GEC) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 50 cents per share on its $1 par value Common Stack payable Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 10, 1990.

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#90332p8929 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The number of jet transport accidents could be reduced if existing technology and basic procedures were better used by the commercial aviation industry, according to the retired chairman of The Boeing Co. (NYSE: BA), T. Wilson.

In a speech to the American Society of Mechanical Engineers here last night, Wilson said that "while the rate of commercial jetliner accidents is declining there will be more and more flights, due to growth; therefore, the number of accidents could actually increase."

Emphasizing his belief that commercial aviation remains the safest way to travel, Wilson cited studies suggesting the risk of death on a commercial flight in the United States is about one in eleven million.

But he said that the risk could be even lower if existing technology were used more effectively and more widely. He specifically cited ground proximity warning systems, instrument landing systems and wind shear detection systems.

"Roughly three-quarters of 1988-89 hull loss accidents could have been prevented had these tools been installed and properly used, preventing nearly 1,000 fatalities," Wilson said.

Wilson, who headed The Boeing Co. from 1972 to 1988, said that Boeing's position on improving flight safety stemmed from the company's study of more than 850 large jet transport accidents over three decades.

Manufacturers must improve their products, incorporating new concepts to enhance the abilities of flight deck crews and protect against human errors.

Airlines must not only emphasize safety, but focus major attention on basic procedures and good communications on the flight deck, Wilson said.

And, he added, governments around the world must provide precision approach guidance systems at the end of every runway at every airport handling commercial flights.

Wilson also cited flight simulators, flight data recorders and map displays as other examples of existing technology that could make flying safer if used more effectively.

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#90332p8930 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, Del. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) will receive a 1990 Stratospheric Ozone Protection corporate award from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) "for industry leadership in CFC and Halon phaseout."

An individual award will be presented to William G. Kenyon, Du Pont senior scientist, "for scientific excellence in qualifying CFC alternatives for military specifications and worldwide electronics use," the EPA said.

The EPA awards, in recognition of "exceptional contributions to global environmental protection," will be presented tonight at a dinner held in conjunction with the 1990 International Conference on CFC & Halon Alternatives in Baltimore.

"A select group of individuals and organizations were chosen for the strong support they have provided for protecting the earth from the hazards of ozone layer depletion," said Eileen Claussen, director, EPA Office of Atmospheric and Indoor Air Programs. "Their technical achievements and leadership have played an important role in eliminating ozone-depleting substances."

According to the EPA, award winners include companies that advocated a complete elimination of ozone-depleting substances, associations that organized their members to find environmentally safe alternatives, and individuals who exhibited managerial and technical leadership in developing and deploying new ozone-safe technology.

Du Pont will have invested more than $240 million through 1990 in alternatives research and development and capital. The company could spend more than $1 billion over the next 10 years to commercialize its line of CFC alternatives.

In June, Du Pont announced authorization of funds to design four non-ozone-depleting facilities for alternatives, including a world-scale plant at Corpus Christi, Texas. The plants could satisfy most world needs for hydrofluorocarbon (HFC) refrigeration applications through the end of the decade.

This month, Du Pont expects to begin commercial production of HFC- 134a for refrigeration uses such as automobile air conditioning and home refrigerators.

The company has pledged to phase out production of CFCs as soon as possible but no later than the turn of the century.

CONTACT: Catherine L. Andriadis of Du Pont, 302-773-6887, or Dr. Stephen O. Andersen of the EPA, 202-382-7750

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#90332p8932 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Occidental Petroleum Corporation (NYSE: OXY) announced today that exploratory well Jivino-1 in Ecuador was successfully tested at a combined flowing rate of 3,819 barrels per day from three zones in the Cretaceous Napo and Hollin formations. The discovery well is located on Occidental's 494,000 acre Block 15, immediately south of the giant Shushufindi field in Ecuador's eastern jungle region, and is the fourth discovery out of five wildcat wells drilled.

The Hollin sand flowed at 950 barrels per day of 26.4 degree API gravity oil from perforations between 9,752 and 9,770 feet. The "T" sand flowed 1,872 barrels per day of 27.8 degree API gravity oil from perforations between 9,508 feet and 9,532 feet. The lower "U" sand flowed at 997 barrels per day of 18.4 degree API gravity oil and no water from perforations between 9,304 feet and 9,336 feet.

In announcing the new discovery, Dr. Armand Hammer, chairman and chief executive officer, said that the results of this well, together with Occidental's three previous discoveries in the area, give encouragement that other similar prospects in the vicinity of Jivino-1 could be equally successful, leading to the production of some 30,000 barrels of oil per day.

"Block 15 will be a significant producing area for Occidental and we will be able to achieve early production because our block is only a few miles from existing pipeline infrastructure," Dr. Hammer stated.

Block 15 was acquired in 1985. Occidental is the operator and holds a 100 percent interest. The other three discoveries, Limonchoca, Indillana-Itaya, and Indillana, are all located within a five mile radius from the new discovery.

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#90332p8937 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOKYO (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitsubishi Corporation today announced that it has established an Investor Relations Office at its headquarters in Tokyo.

The office's task is to develop understanding of the company among investment

communities in Japan and overseas by providing information on its financial and corporate developments.

As a first step, it is distributing the company's consolidated interim financial results for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, which were announced in Tokyo today.

Assisted by a generally favorable economic environment, total trading transactions for this interim period were up 13.0 percent, an increase of Y1,138 billion ($8,252 million) over the corresponding period of the previous year, and amounted to Y9,917 billion ($71,863) million.

By type of transaction, import transactions rose 14.0 percent, an increase of Y220 billion ($1,592 million), due mainly to an increase in fuels. Being led by machinery, offshore transactions were up 8.5 percent an increase of Y196 billion ($1,422 million). Export transactions rose 10.6 percent an increase of Y128 billion ($932 million), due especially to an increase in machinery sales. Non- domestic transactions, as a result, were up 10.7 percent, an increase of Y544 billion ($3,946 million) over the same period a year ago. Domestic transactions rose 16.2 percent, an increase of Y594 ($4,306 million), which was attributable mainly to increases in transactions for metals and machinery, reflecting steady domestic demand.

Gross trading profit increased 10.6 percent to Y279 billion ($2,025 million), due to the increase in trading volume. Profits on securities also showed a gain of Y19 billion ($142 million), due mainly to a listing of an affiliated company. Income from consolidated operations rose 14.0 percent to Y24 billion ($177 million), despite increases in selling, general, and administrative expenses and net interest expenses.

Net income, as a result, increased 14.9 percent to Y34 billion ($251 million), exceeding the previous year's record high for an interim period.

The numbers of subsidiaries consolidated and affiliated companies accounted for by the equity method of accounting were 331 and 206, respectively.

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#90332p8938 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Enzon, Inc. (NASDAQ: ENZN) today reported a first quarter loss of $2.3 million, or 19 cents per share, compared with a net profit of $1.3 million, or 11 cents per share, for the same period a year ago.

No operating revenues were received this quarter versus $2.1 million for the

first quarter of 1989. The operating loss for the current quarter was $2.8 million compared to $827,000 for the first quarter of 1989. The operating loss was primarily due to a 100 percent increase in research and development expenses, which resulted from a substantial increase in research personnel. "We have greatly expanded our research capability to further improve our proprietary protein-based drug delivery technology, PEGNOLOGY (SM)," said Gail Wasilewski, Enzon's vice president of finance. "This will allow us to expand the application of PEGNOLOGY to other therapeutic categories."

Enzon is a leading biopharmaceutical company developing improved therapies for life threatening diseases through the application of PEGNOLOGY to enhance the delivery of protein based drugs.

In March 1990, Enzon received its first marketing approval from the Food and Drug Administration for ADAGEN (TM), a treatment for a form of Severe Combined Immunodeficiency Disease (SCID).

ENZON, INC.
A Development Stage Company
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Sept. 30 1990	June 30 1990
Assets:		
Current assets	$22,352	$ 25,022
Property, plant & equipment, net	2,672	2,543
Other assets	1,217	1,514
Total assets	$26,241	$ 29,079
Liabilities & stockholders' equity		
Current liabilities	$ 3,280	$ 3,967

CONTACT: Gail Wasilewski, vice president-finance of Enzon, 201-668-1800

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#90332p8941 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

RIVERHEAD, NY (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Suffolk Bancorp (NASDAQ: SUBK) today announced that the board of directors, at their regular meeting on Nov. 26, 1990, voted to declare a regular quarterly dividend of $0.14 per share of common stock to all shareholders of record on

Dec. 14, 1990, payable on Jan. 2, 1991. The aggregate dividend will be $466,363.80 based on 3,331,170 shares outstanding.

Suffolk Bancorp is a one-bank holding company engaged in the commercial banking business through The Suffolk County National Bank (SCNB), a full service commercial bank headquartered in Riverhead, N.Y. SCNB is Suffolk

Bancorp's wholly owned subsidiary. Organized in 1890, The Suffolk County National Bank is the second largest independent bank headquartered on Long Island.

The Suffolk County National Bank maintains offices in Center Moriches, Cutchogue, Hampton Bays, Mattituck, Medford, Riverhead, Port Jefferson, Wading River, and Westhampton Beach, N.Y.

Suffolk Bancorp also owns Island Computer Corporation of New York, Inc., a bank data-service company located in Bohemia, N.Y.

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#90332p8944 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - First Virginia Banks, Inc. (NYSE: FVB) has announced that its board of directors has increased the dividend on its common stock to 33 cents per share effective for the first quarter of 1991. This compares with a dividend of 32 cents paid for the last two quarters of 1990 and 31 cents for the first two quarters of the year. The new annual rate of $1.32 represents an increase of 6.5 percent over the $1.24 rate one year earlier. Robert H. Zalokar, the company's chairman and chief executive officer, reported that the dividend has been raised 19 times during the past 37 quarters.

At its regular monthly meeting today, the corporation's board of directors also declared a quarterly cash dividend of 12-1/2 cents per share on its Series A preferred stock, 17-1/2 cents per share on its Series B and C preferred stock and 20 cents per share on its Series D preferred stock.

Each of the dividends is payable Jan. 14, 1991, to stockholders of record as of the close of business Dec. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Harry W. Allen of First Virginia Banks, 703-241-3657

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#90332p8949 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, Va. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - USLICO Corporation (NYSE: USC) announced today the election of Peter M. Regan to serve as president of Provident Life Insurance Company, headquartered in Bismarck, N.D.

Provident sells individual ordinary life insurance products, primarily in the Midwest, and has over $200 million in assets. The company also operates a Central Service Center that processes the individual life business for United Olympic Life Insurance Company, another USLICO subsidiary.

Regan joined USLICO in 1983 as vice president of Bankers Security Life Insurance Society, in charge of the the company's New York sales and service office. In 1987 he was elected a senior vice president of USLICO Corporation, with responsibility for marketing. He attended Fordham University and is a Chartered Life Underwriter.

An insurance holding company, USLICO Corporation is headquartered in Arlington. Its four life insurance subsidiaries represent 90 percent of its $2.6 billion in assets. Its three property and casualty subsidiaries operate in the midwestern United States.

CONTACT: Charles V. Giuffra, chairman, president and chief executive officer, USLICO, 703-875-3414

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#90332p8953 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - National Heritage Industries (NASDAQ: NHER) general partner of Heritage Hotel Limited Partnership I, announced today that they have resumed construction on the 310-room Chaparral Hotel.

Construction had been halted on the project as a result of non- performance by United Gaming Inc.'s (NASDAQ: UGAM) wholly owned subsidiary, United Coin, on the casino tenant-improvements. As previously reported, United Coin, the lessee for the gaming, food and beverage operations of the Chaparral, notified the partnership on Sept. 26, 1990, that their financial condition has created a situation which does not at this time allow them to continue with their segments of the project. No replacement for United has as yet been found, though discussions are continuing with several interest parties.

"In addition to announcing the resumption of construction, we want to take this opportunity to say that we are particularly gratified by the efforts and spirit of cooperation we received from Valley Bank of Nevada," said Fred Keiserman, vice president of National Heritage. "They are our primary lender for the construction of the hotel and have made it possible for us to resume the project, even under these most trying of circumstances."

The new opening date for the Chaparral Hotel, located at 901 E. Desert Inn Rd. 1/4 block from the Las Vegas Convention Center, is Feb. 1, 1991.

CONTACT: Fred Keiserman of National Heritage Industries, 702-382-1200

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#90332p8955 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of AMETEK Inc. (NYSE: AME) declared a regular fourth quarter dividend of 16 cents per share today.

The final payment in 1990 will bring the total cash dividends for the year to 64 cents per share, a two cent per share increase over the previous year. The fourth quarter dividend is payable Dec. 21 to stockholders of record Dec. 7.

AMETEK president and chief executive officer Walter E. Blankley noted that 1990's final dividend payment makes this the 41st consecutive year in which AMETEK has increased its cash dividend payments to stockholders, a unique record among New York Stock Exchange-listed industrial manufacturers. "Beginning in 1950, AMETEK has increased total cash payments to its stockholders every year," Blankley said.

A Fortune-500 industrial manufacturer of instruments, electric motors and engineered materials, AMETEK recently reported record sales for the first three quarters of 1990 at $491.7 million, with earnings of $29.1 million or 66 cents per share.

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#90332p8965 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Univision Network, the largest Spanish-language television network in the United States, has signed a licensing agreement with Telemundo for the broadcast of "Sabado Gigante" in Puerto Rico. The agreement, announced in Miami today, is effective Jan. 1, 1991, for one year. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

"'Sabado Gigante' is a blockbuster," Joaquin Blaya, president of the Univision Network, said. "It has the largest audience in Spanish-language television today. Everyone wants it." The program will air on WKAQ-TV, the Telemundo-owned station in Hato Rey. Univision does not have a station in Puerto Rico. "Sabado Gigante" currently airs in Puerto Rico on WAPA.

Univision, the nation's leading Spanish-language television network, covers 89 percent of U.S. Hispanic households via satellite-interconnected broadcast and cable affiliates across the country.

CONTACT: Carmen Herrero Biaggi of Univision, (305) 471-8289.

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#90332p8966 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIMAS, CA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Vestar Inc. (NASDAQ: VSTR) today announced the appointments of Michael E. Hart as executive vice president and chief financial officer, and Frank J. Caldwell as senior director, manufacturing.

Hart succeeds Randall M. Gates, previously vice president and chief financial

officer, who left the company in July. In this capacity, Hart will have full responsibility for worldwide financial operations including accounting, treasury, tax, and investor relations. Hart has been employed by Avantek Inc. in Santa Clara, Calif., since 1982 whre he was treasurer and director of Finance. Prior to 1982, Hart held various financial positions with Magnuson Computer Systems and Memorex Corp.

Caldwell will be responsible for the further development of Vestar's manufacturing capability, particularly for the company's first product, AmBisome. Caldwell, formerly manager of production with Ben Venue Laboratories Inc., has 23 years of experience in parenteral manufacturing. In his previous position he was responsible for managing aseptic manufacturing of a very wide range and number of parenteral freeze-dried and liquid dosage forms.

Dr. Roger Crossley, president and chief executive officer of Vestar, said, "We are delighted to have Messrs. Hart and Caldwell join our senior management team. Both bring particularly valuable experience and technical expertise to Vestar that is critical to our emergence as a fully integrated commercial pharmaceutical company."

Vestar Inc. is a pharmaceutical company focused on the development of therapeutic and diagnostic agents for cancer, AIDS and related diseases.

AmBisome is the trade name for the intravenous liposomal formulation of amphotericin B, a broad spectrum, anti-infective agent used to treat potentially fatal systemic fungal infections that often occur in immune-compromised patients who have undergone cancer therapy, post-organ/bone marrow transplants and AIDS patients.

CONTACT: Roger J. Crossley of Vestar Inc., 714-394-4000

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#90332p8969 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Minnesota U S WEST Communications (USWC) customers will receive "Billing Verification Requests" to determine possible credit-eligibility on their telephone bills. The bill inserts will be sent to the company's Minnesota customers in late November and December.

USWC customers will be asked to check their bills to ensure they are not receiving any services that they did not order or for which they are being mistakenly billed. In such cases, customers could be eligible for a credit. The USWC bill will now detail all optional services so that verification of services by the customer will be easy.

The verification process was recently approved by the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission. The action was a result of an agreement reached between

the Minnesota Office of Attorney General (OAG) and USWC after the OAG initiated an investigation of company sales practices.

If customers believe they are entitled to a credit, they may call the toll-free number provided on their bill. Customers must call by Feb. 28, 1991, if they disagree with the bill summary or no longer require certain services. Customers may also call with any questions about their telephone bill.

CONTACT: Bennie Cohen, (612) 344-5992, or Arlys Stadum, (612) 344-6930 or 1-800-247-0152, both of U S WEST.

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#90332p8972 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Health Images Inc. (NASDAQ: HIMG) today announced October 1990 consolidated net revenues of $4,500,800, an increase of $1,251,700 or 38.5 percent over October 1989 consolidated net revenues of $3,249,100.

Gross same center revenues (before deduction for contractual adjustments and uncollectible accounts) increased $530,800 or 16.3 percent as compared to the preceding year. Net same center revenues increased by $303,100 or 10.9 percent in October 1990 as compared to the 1989 period. Revenues of the Engineering Services Division were $513,000, an increase of $42,000 or 8.9 percent as compared to October 1989. Miscellaneous revenues were $2,000, a decrease of $300 or 13.0 percent as compared to preceding year. Revenue data are summarized in the following table.

Robert D. Carl III, president and chairman of Health Images, stated, "We are pleased with October 1990 revenue comparisons especially since October was by far the strongest revenue month in 1989."

Health Images Inc. operates 24 magnetic resonance imaging centers and one radiation oncology center, manufactures magnetic resonance imaging scanners and provides equipment maintenance services for major medical diagnostic imaging equipment.

HEALTH IMAGES REVENUE COMPARISON
OCTOBER 1990 TO OCTOBER 1989

	1990	1989	Chg.	Pct. chg.
Gross imaging center revenues	$4,900,600	$3,250,500	$1,650,100	50.8
Prov. for uncollectible accounts and contractual adjustments	914,800	474,700	440,100	92.7
Net imaging center revenues	3,985,800	2,775,800	1,210,000	43.6
Engineering revenues	513,000	471,000	42,000	8.9

Misc. revenues	2,000	2,300	(300)	(13.0)
Total net revenues	$4,500,800	$3,249,100	$1,251,700	38.5
Same center gross revenues	$3,781,300	$3,250,500	$ 530,800	16.3
Same center net revenues	$3,078,900	$2,775,800	$ 303,100	10.9
Imaging centers in operation	24	16	8	50.0

CONTACT: Robert D. Carl III, president and chairman, or Laura J. Werner of Health Images, 404-587-5084

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WOODRIDGE, IL (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Vincent A. Naccarato, president and chief executive officer of Wilton Enterprises, today announced that Wilton Industries, Inc. will become the new name for the Woodridge, Ill.-based company, which went private in a management-led buyout in December 1988. Three divisions will make up the newly named company: Wilton Enterprises, Copco and Weston Gallery. Wilton's gross sales for the year ended July 31, 1990 were $72 million, up 20 percent from $60 million in the prior year.

The Wilton Enterprises division is a leader in developing and marketing consumer products worldwide for baking and cake decorating. Wilton offers specially designed Wilton baking pans, tools, supplies, wedding accessories, cake decorating publications and courses. It also has developed a line of insulated bakeware products called Even-Bake which further extends the company's line of bakeware products. Even-Bake bakeware recently was selected by Jeff Smith, the author of "The Frugal Gourmet," as his bakeware of choice. Among the reasons cited were the top quality construction, a superior insulation layer to prevent burning, an easy-to-clean finish and the extra benefit of being dishwasher-safe and rust-proof.

The Copco division is the largest supplier of enamel-on-steel tea kettles in the U.S. Copco also markets other fashion-oriented quality kitchenware products, such as plastic kitchenware, stainless steel and non-stick cookware, and water treatment/filtering products, the latter being a new field of entry. Copco has developed the Quad-Action Filtration System which provides cleaner, fresher, better-tasting water for drinking, cooking and baking. Copco distributes to department and specialty stores as well as to mail-order catalogs.

The Weston Gallery division offers high-quality fashion picture frames. The frames are offered in brass, silver, ceramic and fine wood. The collections of The Weston Gallery are designed to complement every style of home fashion. Five collections ranging from classic to contemporary are available and feature innovative packaging. The sturdy, open-front packages protect products

and customers see and feel the frames. The self-standing packages also allow for easy merchandising set-up on any shelving system which creates an organized, upscale look and invites consumers to purchase with ease.

In October 1989, Wilton Enterprises acquired 50 percent of the common stock of Let Them Eat Cake, Inc. (LTEC), a Chicago-based commercial and retail baker of high quality premier pastries and cakes. The combination of Wilton's party stores and trend-setting decorated cake designs with LTEC's full service bakery facilities and downtown stores has enabled LTEC to offer its customers an all-new party cake and bakery concept. Vincent A. Naccarato also serves as chairman of Let Them Eat Cake and Wilton holds an option to further increase its ownership of LTEC. Currently, LTEC has eight locations in the Chicagoland area and a commissary in Cicero, Ill.

Wilton Industries, Inc. is a worldwide consumer products company focused on three distinct markets. The Wilton Enterprises Division is a leader in developing and marketing products for baking and cake decoration while the Copco Division is a market leader in offering quality kitchenware products. Wilton's newest division, The Weston Gallery, offers high-quality fashion picture frames in an innovative packaging format.

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FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CALIF (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Hyundai Motor America today announced the sale of the millionth Hyundai in just five years, despite a soft automotive market. It took Honda 10 years, Toyota 15 years and Nissan 17 years.

"I would like to express my appreciation to the consumers, suppliers and employees on both sides of the Pacific who worked so diligently to achieve this feat in such a short time," said Rod Hayden, executive vice president and chief operating officer.

Hyundai identified its millionth vehicle, sold over the Thanksgiving Day weekend to Neil Vionie at White Plains Hyundai in Hawthorne, N.Y. Vionie purchased a mars red Scoupe with automatic transmission.

Hyundai employees also celebrated the millionth sale with a contest where they guessed the sum of the vehicle identification number. Anita Dellarocca won the use of a Scoupe for a year.

Hyundai Motor America sold its first Excel on Feb. 20, 1986. A few years later it introduced the Sonata, a roomy, midsize family sedan. In August, the Scoupe, a sporty coupe with a 2+2 configuration was introduced. The fourth

addition to the Hyundai line will be shown at selected auto shows next year and introduced as a 1992 model. A sedan, it is code named the J-Car.

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ORANGE, CALIF (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - West Coast Bancorp (NASDAQ: WCBC) today announced that a Los Angeles federal court jury has awarded Sunwest Bank, the company's largest banking subsidiary, $5,796,112.98 in its lawsuit against Lloyd's of London.

The jury found that Lloyd's had breached its insurance contract with the bank, as well as the covenant of good faith and fair dealing. Included in the total award are punitive damages of $2,500,000. A hearing will be held in the near future to determine the amount of interest and attorney's fees to be added to the jury's award.

John Joseph, chairman and chief executive officer said, "We are pleased with the jury process. We have spent thousands of hours fighting this case and are delighted that our shareholders will finally benefit from these efforts. Our management and shareholders are especially grateful to Steve Goldberg of McCambridge, Deixler, Marmaro & Goldberg for his diligent and aggressive efforts on our behalf."

West Coast Bancorp operates three subsidiaries in two of California's fastest growing areas: Sunwest Bank and Heritage Thrift & Loan Association in Orange County; and Sacramento First National Bank in Sacramento County. Established as a bank holding company in 1984, with approximately $40 million in assets, the company has grown to over $470 million in assets today. West Coast Bancorp trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol WCBC.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Bank of California has elected Adriana M. Boeka senior vice president and regional manager of its Beverly Hills office.

Prior to joining The Bank of California in January 1987 as vice president and regional manager of that office, Boeka was vice president and manager of Crocker National Bank's Business Banking Center from December 1984 until Crocker merged with Wells Fargo Bank in June 1986. She remained with the

newly merged company until she joined The Bank of California.

From October 1970 to December 1984, Boeka served in various positions of increasing responsibility with Bank of America in Hawthorne, Calif., including a tenure as senior credit officer, head of corporate banking, and head of commercial real estate.

"We are extremely fortunate to have a talent like Adriana Boeka managing the private banking, business banking and entertainment lending segments of our business," said John Jenkins, executive vice president of The Bank of California.

"Her skilled leadership has translated into sustained growth for the bank in the very difficult and highly competitve Beverly Hills marketplace."

Boeka lives with her husband, Dennis, and their two children, Nicholas and Matthew, in Cheviot Hills, Calif.

The Bank of California is the first incorporated financial institution in the West. With $8.6 billion in assets, it is the sixth largest bank in the state and operates 50 banking offices in California, Washington and Oregon, and 14 international offices.

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STURBRIDGE, MA. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - SpecTran Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SPTR) announced today that it is taking steps to increase portions of its manufacturing capability by 40 percent with operation expected to begin by June 1, 1991. The capacity increase reflects continued strong market demand for the company's multimode fiber products as well as potential near term growth beyond its patent license limitations.

This latest announcement of another increase in production capability is the third such addition. SpecTran entered 1990 with twice the capacity of a year earlier and recently announced an additional 22 percent increase expected to be operational by about the beginning of 1991. These increases were accomplished primarily through the upgrading and recommissioning of idle equipment. Although the company still retains additional idle equipment available for future use, the 40 percent increase announced today will result from converting portions of current operations from a five-day, three-shift work week to a continuous seven-day-per-week schedule. Efforts to recruit the approximate 37 percent additional staff will begin immediately.

Commenting on the changes, Raymond E. Jaeger, president and chief executive officer, said: "Although excited by this recent development, we continue to

respond to improving market conditions with a mixture of confidence and caution. The decision to implement this latest capacity increase was based in part on a recently announced long-term agreement to supply product not restricted by any of our patent licenses. The current capacity increase, which is being effected with minimal capital expenditures, is required to meet shipments for forecasted sales as well as existing backlog which presently stands at approximately $5 million."

SpecTran Corporation develops, manufactures and markets glass optical fibers.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - First Capital Life Insurance Co. announced today a new educational program about retirement planning for women. Called "The Power To Retire In Style: A Seminar For Women About Money," the seminars will help participants develop a personalized financial profile that will show them how much money they will need at retirement, how much they can expect from Social Security, pensions, interest on savings and investments, and how large the gap between what they'll have and how much they'll need will be. First Capital Life coined a term to describe this deficit -- The Retirement Income Gap.

"Our program is unique in design," said James R. McDonough, senior vice president of marketing, First Capital Life. "Not only does it help women achieve mastery over the basics of retirement planning, but it also creates a personal financial profile and roadmap to plan for a comfortable retirement."

With women receiving an average income of just $6,300 a year at retirement, learning how to plan for the years after they stop working is critical. "This isn't something that can be put off until later or deferred to a spouse's management," McDonough pointed out. "Eighty-five percent of baby boom women will find themselves financially on their own for at least 15 years," he explained. "That means women must begin planning now."

The 90-minute program discusses several investment strategies and introduces First Capital Life's new financial program designed especially for women. The program uses life insurance to offer a flexible, tax-advantaged and cost-effective method for closing the retirement income gap.

"Because of the overall perspective on retirement planning our seminar provides, we expect 'The Power To Retire In Style' to become one of the most talked about programs in the industry," McDonough said.

For more information about the program, and the location of a seminar near you call 800-767-2807.

First Capital Life is a financial services company headquartered in San Diego. As a wholly owned subsidiary of the E.F. Hutton Group, the firm was first to market universal life insurance and has specialized in interest-sensitive products ever since. In 1987, it was acquired by First Capital Holdings Corp. a Los Angeles-based financial services holding corporation. Shearson Lehman Brothers purchased controlling interest in First Capital Holdings in 1988.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Members of the United Transportation Union (UTU) on the eastern half of Santa Fe Railway have ratified an agreement that will reduce the size of crews on freight trains, Santa Fe announced today. The 88 percent approval on the eastern region follows approval of other crew-reduction agreements on the railway's Texas and Coast Lines in August, 1989.

The new agreement covers approximately 2,250 employees, or 53 percent of the railway's conductors, trainmen and yardmen. Under the agreement all trains on the eastern region will operate with a maximum of one conductor and one brakeman, plus one engineer. (Engineers were not involved in these negotiations.) Approximately 20 percent of the trains will operate with only a conductor in addition to the engineer. These "conductor only" trains will operate with no train length or train composition restrictions.

No employee will be severed arbitrarily under the new agreement. It is anticipated that approximately 700 of the eastern region UTU members either will take a severance allowance voluntarily, or be assigned to newly-established reserve boards.

"Coupled with the earlier UTU agreements on the rest of the railway, this gives us the potential to run trains with a two-person crew, a conductor and an engineer, all the way between Chicago and Los Angeles. This means improved service for our customers," said M.R. Haverty, Santa Fe president.

Santa Fe had also reached an agreement with engineers regarding wages and work rules effective Jan. 1, 1990. "All of these agreements were reached voluntarily with our unions, and are designed to enhance the railway's ability to compete while protecting the employees involved. They are truly 'win/win' agreements, and I commend the leadership and members of our operating unions who clearly understand the necessity to improve productivity so that we can be a stronger competitor against trucks. I am proud of the leadership role we have taken in this important area of labor relations," Haverty said.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Atrix International, Inc. announced today the results of its first quarter of operations. The company was formed through a merger of Atrix Tool, Inc. of Burnsville, Minn., and Tiempo Equities Inc., a Minneapolis-based blind pool. The merger was finalized in October 1990.

Sales for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 for the two companies that merged to create Atrix International were $1,158,560. This compares with combined sales for the same period the previous year of $1,017,385, a 13.9 percent increase. Atrix International reported a loss of $229,878, or $.06 per share, compared to combined net earnings of $33,881, or $.01 per share, for the two companies during the same period last year.

President and CEO of Atrix International, Clifford B. Meacham, said that the losses for the quarter were primarily caused by one-time, merger-related expenses and the expenses of opening a European sales office in the Netherlands. "The merger between Atrix and Tiempo gives us the capital to expand our distribution network and enhance our product line to better serve our growing customer base," Meacham said. "The Netherlands office will allow us to successfully expand and efficiently service the entire European continent."

Atrix International is a world leading supplier to field service technicians in the computer and electronics industries. The company manufactures and markets printed circuit board transport cases, vacuums for copier and laser printer maintenance, and static protection products. The company is a distributor of electronic hand tools as well as a full line of instrumentation and diagnostic products and custom assembles tool kits. With 3,632,544 shares outstanding, Atrix International common stock is traded on the local over-the-counter market in the Twin Cities and the company has applied for listing on the NASDAQ system.

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HARLEYSVILLE, PA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Harleysville Group Inc. (NASDAQ: HGIC) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $0.16 per share, payable Dec. 28, 1990, to stockholders of record on Dec. 10.

Harleysville Group Inc. is a regional holding company for four property and casualty insurers whose marketing territory encompasses the entire East Coast. The companies include: Atlantic Insurance Company of Savannah, Harleysville Insurance Company of New Jersey, Huron Insurance Co. and Worcester Insurance Co. Harleysville Group also manages the operations of Berkshire Mutual Insurance Group, the financial results of which are not consolidated into Harleysville Group at the present time.

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ST. LOUIS (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Hal J. Upbin was appointed vice president corporate development by the Kellwood Company (NYSE: KWD) board of directors according to William J. McKenna, president and chief executive officer. He replaces Bud Berman who previously held the position and retired this month.

Upbin, president of American Recreation Products, Inc., a Kellwood subsidiary, will continue in that role in addition to the responsibilities incumbent with vice president corporate development.

As vice president corporate development, Upbin heads the search for business opportunities and companies which will enhance Kellwood's long term growth and profitability, and complements its existing product line and customer base. He reports to McKenna.

Upbin was part of the original investor group which established American Recreation in 1985. Prior to joining American Recreation, he was chairman of the board and president of Fifth Retail Corporation and also held the same positions at the Triton Group (formerly Chase Manhattan Mortgage and Realty Trust).

Kellwood, a Fortune 500 company, is an international manufacturer and marketer of apparel, home fashions, and camping soft goods.

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PITTSBURG, TEXAS (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Pilgrim's Pride Corp. (NYSE: CHX), in their Nov. 28 meeting, declared a quarterly dividend of 1-1/2 cents per share on 22,589,250 shares outstanding payable on Dec. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

The company also announced that its annual meeting of shareholders will be

held at 11:00 a.m. on Feb. 6, 1991, for shareholders of record on Dec. 20, 1990. The meeting will be held at the general offices of Pilgrim's Pride Corp., 110 South Texas Street, Pittsburg, Texas.

Pilgrim's Pride Corp. is the fifth largest producer of poultry products and the 18th largest egg producer in the United States, producing more than 1 billion pounds of dressed poultry and 41 million dozen table eggs annually. Pilgrim's Pride employs more than 10,000 persons internationally and operates processing plants, distribution centers, hatcheries and feed mills in Texas, Arkansas, Arizona, Oklahoma and Mexico.

Products are sold under the "Pilgrim's Pride" label to supermarkets, wholesale clubs, fast food chains and food service customers. The company's primary distribution is through retailers and fast food outlets in the Central, Southwestern and Western United States and through the food service industry nationally.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company (NYSE: MHC) today announced that it has signed a contract to acquire the approximately $1.6 billion in deposits at 13 Goldome (NYSE: GDM) branches in the New York area. Ten of these offices will be converted into Manufacturers Hanover branches. The remaining three (in the Wall Street district and in midtown Manhattan) have been or will soon be closed by Goldome with their deposits transferred to nearby Manufacturers Hanover locations.

Of the 10 branches MHT is acquiring, two are in Manhattan, one in the Bronx, two in Westchester County, two in Orange County and three in Rockland County. In addition, MHT will be purchasing some of Goldome's non-branch affiliated deposits.

In 1989, Manufacturers Hanover purchased 11 other Goldome branches in the New York City area, with approximately $1.2 billion in deposits.

The purchase, which is subject to approval by New York state and federal regulators, is expected to be completed in the first quarter of 1991.

The transaction calls for the assumption by Manufacturers Hanover Trust of approximately $1.6 billion in deposit liabilities from Goldome. MHT said the new deposits would replace more costly wholesale borrowings. Other than a small amount of loans related to or secured by the deposit accounts, MHT will not acquire loans from Goldome.

Edward D. Miller, vice chairman of Manufacturers Hanover Corporation said,

"This acquisition is a solid strategic fit for our profitable regional bank in the tri-state area. These new branches strengthen our retail network and broaden our funding base of core consumer deposits."

With this acquisition, Manufacturers Hanover's retail deposits will increase to approximately $18.6 billion. After the conversion, MHT will have a network of 229 bank branches throughout New York state.

"We look forward to the conversion going even more smoothly than the last Goldome acquisition," said Michael Hegarty, Manufacturers Hanover group executive in charge of regional banking. "We're confident our new customers will be pleased with the high level of service and wide range of products that we have to offer." Goldome customers with consumer and mortgage loans will continue those relationships with Goldome.

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BASKING RIDGE, NJ (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) announced today it has filed plans with the FCC to expand its MEGACOM(R) 800 Service. Now, companies in the United States that use MEGACOM 800 Service domestically and/or from Canada can be called by prospective clients in 52 overseas countries and Mexico.

The new service is called MEGACOM 800 Service-Overseas and MEGACOM 800 Service-Mexico. Domestic users of MEGACOM 800 Service can use the same access lines they already have to the AT&T node for the additional countries.

MEGACOM 800 Service is a discounted, toll-free calling service for companies with a high volume of incoming calls. MEGACOM 800 Service terminates at an AT&T access point or central office, so costs are lower, and each company can set up its own access arrangement to suit its needs. Access to the node is usually over a high speed 1.544 mbps (megabits per second) circuit, but it can also be by way of voice-grade circuits analog.

In the United States, large users of toll-free service have been using MEGACOM 800 Service for some time. Calling from Canada was added in December 1989. Individuals in Mexico and 52 other overseas countries can now call U.S. businesses on the same access facilities currently in use.

To encourage businesses to subscribe to the expanded service, AT&T will waive the $1,090 installation charge and the $20.50 per country installation charge for companies that order service before March 31, 1991, for installation before May 31, 1991. The savings on the country installation charge could amount to more than a thousand dollars if all 52 countries are ordered. Total

savings could be more than $2,000.

MEGACOM 800 Service-Overseas provides additional savings for large customers. When service from the overseas countries and Mexico use the same access facilities as for domestic service, the $50 monthly Routing Arrangement service charge applies only once for both domestic and overseas.

Other MEGACOM 800 Service-Overseas savings come from discounts ranging up to 15 percent when usage goes above $30,000 per month, and additional discounts are added for volumes that rise above $250,000 for total MEGACOM 800 Service.

The new AT&T MEGACOM 800 Service-Overseas and AT&T MEGACOM 800 Service Mexico are scheduled to begin Jan. 5, 1991, though orders may be made now.

For further information, contact AT&T representation or call 800-222-0400.

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DALLAS (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Oryx Energy Co. (NYSE: ORX) today announced that it has agreed to sell its Midway-Sunset interests to Arco for a total consideration of $642 million.

"Our $750 million divestment program will now be essentially complete," said Robert P. Hauptfuhrer, chairman and chief executive officer of Oryx Energy. "Net proceeds from this transaction and previously announced sales amount to nearly $700 million. These funds, coupled with our substantial cash flow from operations, will allow us to reach our billion-dollar debt reduction target much sooner than planned.

"Strategically, this positions Oryx Energy as a company with greater balance between natural gas and oil in the U.S., which has been one of our major goals. This sale is part of an overall plan to reposition Oryx Energy. Divestment funds have been generated through the sale of assets, which are non-strategic to Oryx Energy's growth plans. In this case, we felt that the Midway-Sunset field would be of greater interest to a company with operations in California than to us," continued Hauptfuhrer.

Arco will pay $588 million in cash and assume $54 million of debt for the oil properties and related facilities, including an interest in the cogeneration plant. This will result in a reduction of $545 million in Oryx Energy's debt. Oryx Energy expects to record a net gain of $71 million from the sale, which is effective Nov. 1, 1990.

The Midway-Sunset field in Kern County, Calif. has recently produced 23,000

net barrels per day of heavy oil with steam flooding. Oryx Energy estimates total proved reserves associated with the field are 140 million net barrels.

Oryx Energy is the largest independent oil and gas company in the world, with assets of about $5 billion and proved reserves of a billion equivalent barrels. Oryx Energy conducts its domestic operations through Sun Energy Partners, L.P., of which it is the managing general partner and 98 percent owner. Oryx Energy trades on the New York Stock Exchange with the symbol ORX and the partnership with the symbol SLP.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Bow Valley Industries Ltd. announced today that the United Kingdom Department of Energy has approved the Plan of Development for the East Brae Field. The East Brae Field is located in Blocks 16/3a and 16/3b, approximately 165 miles northeast of Aberdeen. This is the fourth field to be developed in the Brae complex, joining South, Central and North Brae which are already on production. Total cost of developing the East Brae Field is estimated at CDN $2 billion. ($265 million Bow Valley share).

East Brae is a gas condensate field and will be produced by gas cycling in order to optimize liquids recovery. Gas cycling was first introduced to the North Sea at the North Brae Field. Bow Valley's 13.28 percent share of the reserves in the East Brae Field are estimated at over 37 million barrels of liquid hydrocarbons and over 200 Bcf of natural gas. First production is expected in December 1993 with peak rates of more than 100,000 barrels of condensate per day (13,300 BPD Bow Valley share) within two years.

Gas sales from the Brae area are expected to begin in late 1993 or early 1994. Gas will be exported through the SAGE pipeline currently under construction to St. Fergus, Scotland. The Brae group has a 50 percent equity in this pipeline which is designed to transport in excess of one billion cubic feet of gas per day.

The safety recommendations of the Cullen Report have been incorporated into the East Brae project from the conceptual planning stage. Extensive studies into the safety features of East Brae were a major aspect of the engineering design.

Participants in the East Brae development are:

Marathon Oil U.K. Ltd. (Operator)	35.84 pct.
BP Exploration	25.58 pct.
Bow Valley Petroleum (U.K.) Limited	13.28 pct.
Kerr-McGee Oil (U.K.) Plc	7.46 pct.

Gas Council (Exploration) Ltd.	6.494 pct.
LL&E (U.K.) Inc.	5.886 pct.
Sovereign Oil & Gas Plc	3.82 pct.
Norsk Hydro Oil & Gas Limited	1.64 pct.

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TROY, MICH. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - American Banker, a trade journal serving the financial services industry, has reported that Standard Federal Bank (NYSE: SFB) was the nation's 18th-largest thrift institution in order of deposits as of June 30, 1990. According to the list, "Top 300 U.S. Thrift Institutions" appearing in the Friday, Nov. 16, edition of the publication, Standard Federal moved from 23rd a year earlier to 18th place, with $5,806,381,962 in deposits as of June 30, 1990. The new ranking also establishes Standard Federal as the largest thrift, by deposits, headquartered outside the states of California, Texas or New York.

"Standard Federal Bank is by far the Midwest's largest thrift depository," said Chairman of the Board and President Thomas R. Ricketts. "This is an indication of the tremendous value of our retail franchise, the stability of the Midwest market, and of the goodwill Standard Federal has garnered through the years in the communities we serve."

Other Michigan-based thrifts listed in the report were First Federal of Michigan, which moved to 30th from 27th place with deposits of $4,225,704,000, and Great Lakes Bancorp, which moved to 97th from 113th place with deposits of $2,045,520,000. The second-largest Midwest-based thrift in order of deposits, according to American Banker, is Talman Home Federal Savings and Loan Association of Chicago, listed at 29th with $4,278,559,000 in deposits.

Standard Federal Bank, headquartered in Troy, operates 117 branch offices throughout Michigan and Indiana, and has current assets of approximately $9.4 billion.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Colonial Capital Corporation (CICC) today announced that it has reached an agreement in principle which provides for the merger into CICC of Mercado Marketing Corporation, located in Hollywood, Fla.

CICC successfully completed its initial public offering in September, 1989, and in July, 1990 commenced business discussions were recently terminated.

Mercado Marketing Corporation, is a recently formed Medical Device Marketing firm which is introducing a new condom product to Spanish communities in the United States and Puerto Rico. The new product is called Generacion (in Spanish) and Generation (in English), and is expected to command a respectable market share quickly.

Mercado Marketing Corporation management believes that the merger will be accomplished within the next five to 10 business days.

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#90332p9023 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Cypress Fund, Inc. (AMEX: WJR), a closed-end management investment company seeking long-term capital appreciation through investment in common stocks, today announced that the fund's board of directors has declared a distribution of $0.135 per share from long term capital gains. The distribution is payable on Dec. 19, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 10, 1990. The ex-dividend date is December 4, 1990. The distribution will be payable solely in cash, and reinvestment under the fund's Dividend Reinvestment Plan will not be available.

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#90332p9025 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

TECUMSEH, MI (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Tecumseh Products Company (NASDAQ-NMS: TECU) announced today the declaration of a regular quarterly dividend of $.80 per share payable Dec. 21, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 10, 1990.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - A new audio conferencing service that uniquely features personal 800 numbers and an immediate conferencing capability is now available from MCI Communications Corp.

MCI Forum, the new service, carries a guarantee that calls will begin precisely on time and that no caller will have to wait more than 10 minutes for the conference call to begin.

"MCI Forum is ideal for businesses that are fast-paced, have wide geographic range, and for whom time is critical," explained C. Thomas Faulders, senior vice president of MCI Enterprise Group.

"The market for conference calling is expected to expand during times of uncertain economic conditions, especially as companies face cutbacks in travel costs. For the executive who manages a staff which travels frequently or is widely dispersed, MCI Forum is the ideal communications tool.

"MCI Forum can be used in almost any situation where a meeting could facilitate a business decision," continued Faulders. "Some examples include sales meetings, crisis management situations, contract negotiations, market research, and project management."

Two unique features of MCI Forum are Personal 800 Meet Me and ASAP Calling, which are designed to make conference calling more convenient. Personal 800 Meet Me allows the customer to use the same 800 number for all conference calls and is ideal for the mobile executives who regularly schedule conference calls. At the scheduled time, travelling employees need only dial their company's dedicated 800 number to be bridged into the conference call.

ASAP Calling is designed for the business person who needs to set up a conference call immediately. As soon as the call request is received by phone or fax, MCI Forum conference operators call all participants and bring them into the conference call as quickly as possible.

Customers wanting to use MCI Forum simply call a special 800 number and a conference operator will assist in scheduling the conference call under a variety of options. In addition to Personal 800 Meet Me and ASAP Calling, MCI Forum also features Dial-Out Calling in which the operator calls each conference participant at a pre-reserved time and connects him or her to the conference. Canadian and international locations, as well as domestic sites, can be included in Dial-Out calls. The charge for Dial-Out calls is $.35 per minute and $6 per participant location for domestic calls. Cost for Personal 800 Meet Me is $.45 per minute and $6 per participant location for domestic calls, plus a one-time setup charge of $35. Cost for ASAP depends on the call-type chosen, either Dial-Out or Personal 800 Meet Me, and is priced accordingly.

MCI Forum is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

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LISLE, IL (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - W. Robert Reum, 48, president and chief operating officer of The Interlake Corp. (NYSE: IK), has been elected chief executive officer by the company's board of directors, effective Jan. 1, 1991. Frederick C. Langenberg, 63, current chairman and chief executive officer, will step down as CEO Jan. 1, 1991, but will continue as chairman of the board until April 30, 1991, at which time he plans to retire.

Reum joined Interlake in 1982 as vice president-finance and chief financial officer. He was elected a director in 1987 and was named executive vice president in 1988. He became president and chief operating officer in 1989.

Prior to Interlake, he was vice president of finance and CFO of Lamson & Sessions, Cleveland; vice president and treasurer of White Motor Corp., Cleveland; vice president-corporate finance of Michigan National Corp., Bloomfield Hills; and director of investment analysis at City Investing Co., New York.

Born in Oak Park, Ill., Reum received a bachelor's degree from Yale University in 1964, a law degree from the University of Michigan in 1967, and an M.B.A. from Harvard University in 1969. He has written two articles on corporate finance for Harvard Business Review. He and his wife, Sherry, have three children and live in Wayne, Ill.

Langenberg joined Interlake, Inc. as president and chief operating officer in 1979, became chief executive officer in 1982 and was elected chairman in 1983.

He began his career in 1951 as a metallurgist with United States Steel. He moved to Crucible Steel in 1956, advancing to vice president- technology in 1967. He became president of the Trent Tube Division, Colt Industries in 1968 and in 1970 was elected president of Jessop Steel, where he remained until accepting the presidency of the American Iron and Steel Institute in 1975.

Born in New York City, Langenberg received a Ph.D. in metallurgical engineering from Pennsylvania State University, where he was honored as an alumni fellow in 1977 and named a distinguished alumni in 1989. He completed his graduate and undergraduate work at Lehigh University, where he received the Distinguished Alumni Award, Materials Science and Engineering, in 1990. Active in the American Society for Metals since his student days, he was named a distinguished life member in 1982.

Langenberg is a director of Carpenter Technology, Peoples Energy Corp. and the Chicago Museum of Science and Industry.

The Interlake Corporation is a multinational manufacturer of engineered materials, including powdered metals and aerospace components, and handling/packaging systems, headquartered in Lisle.

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#90332p9037 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
BLOOMFIELD, CT (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Kaman Corp. (NASDAQ: KAMNA) board of directors, today, declared a regular dividend of 11 cents per share on shares of Kaman common stock. The dividend will be paid on Jan. 21, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 7, 1991.

Kaman Corp. is a highly diversified Fortune 500 company with business activities in defense, industrial and commercial markets. The company had revenues of more than $800 million in 1989.

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#90332p9039 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. PAUL, MN (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - ZEOS International, Ltd. (NASDAQ: ZEOS) today introduced an '80386SX-based version of its popular notebook-style computer system. Weighing less than seven pounds and based on Intel Corporation's 80386SX processor, the new ZEOS notebook computer sells for $2,295. The price includes a hard disk drive, a built-in floppy disk drive, one megabyte of memory and a black and white VGA compatible display.

According to Greg Herrick, president of ZEOS International, "This new 80386SX-based notebook is a natural addition to our growing notebook product line. Our recently introduced ZEOS Notebook '286, based on Intel's 80286 processor, has proven to be extremely popular and has been receiving rave reviews in industry publications. The new ZEOS Notebook '386 offers customers the opportunity to purchase the increased processing power afforded by the '386SX. Both ZEOS notebooks are priced well below the competition and feature-for-feature offer our customers outstanding values.

"Both the '286-based and '386SX-based ZEOS Notebooks offer a combination of features not commonly found in notebook systems now on the market. There are very few notebooks systems that include a hard disk drive, plus a built-in 1.44 megabyte floppy drive and VGA display. The addition of the floppy drive enables ZEOS Notebook owners to easily load and transfer programs and files using industry standard 3.5-inch diskettes. In addition, the fluorescent backlit VGA display offers easy-to-read high resolution graphics capability while conserving battery life."

According to ZEOS, the new notebook includes a snap-in, snap-out battery which will "quick charge" in one hour and "trickle charge" while the system is being used. Under typical use, the battery will provide two or more hours of operation between charges, longer if programmable power-saving features are used. Other features include an 82-key keyboard with full 101-key emulation

and industry standard I/O port connectors for the operation of external devices such as printers and color VGA monitors.

Optional items include a 2400 Baud MNP Class 5 modem, memory up to five megabytes, extra batteries, a battery charging station and a carrying case.

"The unique features combined with the $1,995 price for the '286- based product and the $2,295 price for the '386SX notebook offers ZEOS customers two of the very best values in the notebook product category," Herrick said.

The ZEOS notebooks are available directly from the company by calling the ZEOS 24-hour-a-day order line. The Toll Free number is 800-423-5891. The company also provides purchasers of its notebook system with a 24-hour-a-day Toll Free help line should they have any questions once they have received their system. In addition, purchasers receive a 30-day money back guarantee and a one-full-year limited warranty.

Commentaries on the ZEOS Notebook system may be found in the Nov. 27, and Dec. 25, 1990 issues of PC Magazine, the November issue of Portable Office, the December issue of PC Sources, the Nov. 12 issue of InfoWorld and the Oct. 29 issue of PC Week. Other reviews of the ZEOS Notebook will be forthcoming in various trade publications.

ZEOS International, Ltd., manufactures and markets, direct to end users, ISA and EISA (Industry and Extended Industry Standard Architecture) personal computer systems and workstations based on the Intel 80286, 80386 and 80486 microprocessor world-wide under the ZEOS name. The company also provides contract manufacturing services under the name NPC Electronics and distributes passive electronic components through its Parts1 distribution division.

For more information contact ZEOS International, Ltd., Sales Department, 800-423-5891 (toll free), or outside the US/Canada, 612-633-6131.

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ALLENTOWN, PA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. (NYSE: PPL) today declared the regular quarterly dividend on common stock of 74.5 cents per share payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareowners of record Dec. 10, 1990.

The company also declared regular quarterly dividends on its preferred and preference stock payable Jan. 1, 1991, to share-owners of record Dec. 10, 1990 as follows:

Preferred		Preferred (cont.)	
4 1/2 pct.	$1.125	8.00 pct. Series	$2.00

3.35 pct. Series	.8375	8.60 pct. Series	$2.15
4.40 pct. Series	$1.10	8.75 pct. Series	$2.1875
4.60 pct. Series	$1.15	9.00 pct. Series	$2.25
6.875 pct. Series	$1.71875	9.24 pct. Series	$2.31
7.00 pct. Series	$1.75	Preference	
7.375 pct. Series	$1.84375	$8.00 Series	$2.00
7.40 pct. Series	$1.85	$8.40 Series	$2.10
7.82 pct. Series	$1.955	$8.70 Series	$2.175
7.927 pct. Series	$1.98175		

PP&L supplies electricity to a 10,000-square-mile area of 29 counties in Central Eastern Pennsylvania. Among the communities it serves are Allentown, Bethlehem, Harrisburg, Hazleton, Lancaster, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and Williamsport, Pa.

CONTACT: Charles E. Russoli of Pennsylvania Power & Light, 215-770-5240

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#90332p9045 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - American Management Systems, Inc. (AMS) (NASDAQ-NMS: AMSY) and Bell Atlantic International, Inc. (BAII) today announced that the two companies have agreed to jointly market telecommunications billing and customer contact systems to international clients.

Under the terms of the agreement, AMS will provide its TieLine software and professional software consulting services to Bell Atlantic International for marketing in select countries.

Charles Rossotti, chairman and CEO at AMS, said: "Recent deregulation and privatization, together with increasing competition in the marketplace, have created new systems needs for telecommunications firms and PTTs outside the United States. These needs parallel those facing local and interexchange carriers in the North American market, where TieLine software has been extremely well-received. We look forward to working with BAII to make this technology available to international clients."

Bell Atlantic International, a subsidiary of the Philadelphia-based Bell Atlantic Corporation (NYSE: BEL), offers network services and consulting to telephone authorities throughout the world and, in partnership with Ameritech, owns Telecom Corporation of New Zealand.

Bell Atlantic Corporation is the parent company of New Jersey Bell, Bell of Pennsylvania, Diamond State Telephone (Delaware), and the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Companies of Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and Washington, D.C. In addition, Bell Atlantic Corporation is the parent of companies that provide mobile communications in the mid- Atlantic region, and

business systems solutions for customer-based information technology, including software, systems integration, hardware and software service and support and financial services throughout the U.S. and internationally.

In July, 1989, Bell Atlantic and American Management Systems established a joint venture, Bell Atlantic Systems Integration Corp., which provides assistance and life-cycle support in the areas of network integration, strategic systems development and MIS productivity services.

CONTACT: Jack Baird, 215-963-6639, or Mike Houghton, 703-974-1677, both of Bell Atlantic; or K. Todd Ashworth, 703-841-2065, or Anne Lampert, 212-532-6300, both of American Management Systems, Inc.

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RIVERDALE, IL (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Reductions in its order book for most product lines, apparently caused by a slowing domestic economy and international uncertainty, have led the Acme Steel Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: ACME) to revise its estimates of fourth quarter performance.

"In October, when we reported third quarter profits of $2,145,000 or 40 cents per common share, we indicated that we expected to continue this earnings level in the fourth quarter," explained Brian W. H. Marsden, Acme president and chief executive officer.

"Since then, however, we have seen the long-predicted economic slowdown quickly translate into reductions in our order book for most of Acme's product lines. Although the company continues to benefit from the cost reductions that our 1990 capital investment program generated, and from the stabilizing effect of our downstream integration program, it is unlikely that we will achieve our third quarter earnings level for this quarter," Marsden added.

Marsden indicated that he could not provide an estimate of fourth quarter earnings due to uncertain economic conditions and the ongoing cost/selling price squeeze.

Acme Steel Co. is a fully integrated producer of steel, steel strapping, steel tubing and pipe, and automobile and light truck jacks.

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STATE COLLEGE, PA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Uni-Marts, Inc. (NASDAQ: UNMA A)

today announced that while the company anticipates higher earnings than in the prior fiscal year and is financially and operationally healthy, it has retained the investment banking firm of PaineWebber Inc. for the purpose of exploring various financial restructuring alternatives and other methods of enhancing stockholder value.

In light of the conditions in equity markets and unavailability of equity funds for expansion through acquisitions, management has determined to explore some extraordinary measures. These measures include the creation of an Employee Stock Ownership Plan, the sale of certain assets of the company and the sale of a portion or the entire company. Management has determined that it is in the best interests of the stockholders to explore these methods of enhancing stockholder value at this time.

Uni-Marts, headquartered in State College, Pa., is a leading independent operator of 341 convenience stores located in Pennsylvania, western New York, southern New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland.

CONTACT: J. Kirk Gallaher, senior vice president-finance, 814-234-6000

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#90332p9054 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANATA, ONTARIO, (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Newbridge Networks gave the first demonstration of Fast Frame Relay technology at the TMA trade show today in Brighton, U.K., by transferring data between two remote LANs (local area networks).

Frame Relay is the new data communications protocol which adopts a similar approach to X.25 packet switching but at higher speeds. It is ideal for traffic consisting of data bursts. Its major difference to X.25 is its faster speeds (up to 2Mbits) and the reduction of protocol overhead, providing greater speed and lower delay during transmission.

Frame Relay is being developed to meet the needs of a growing data communications marketplace. The growth of networking combined with lower computing costs has meant that for some companies, data communication is growing at a rate of 60 per cent per annum compared to voice communication which at best is growing at 10 per cent per annum. Originating from the ISDN Blue Book, Frame Relay is a LAP D frame structure conforming to I.441, operating at the OS Layer 2 level.

Newbridge Networks is an international company which specializes in the design manufacture and marketing of voice and data communications equipment for global networks. Offices and manufacturing facilities are located in Canada, the United States, Europe and Asia.

Newbridge Networks Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: NNCX) is a public company whose

common shares are listed for trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange (NNC) in Canada and quoted for trading on the NASDAQ National Market System (NNCXF) in the United States.

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SUMTER, SC (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of NBSC Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: NSCB) has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 11 cents per share, payable January 2, 1991 to shareholders of record December 18, 1990.

With 3,125,948 shares outstanding to approximately 1,250 shareholders, the dividend will amount to a total cash distribution of $343,854.28. Parent company of The National Bank of South Carolina, NBSC Corporation reported total assets of $534 million on September 30, 1990.

The corporation's board of directors has approved a definitive share exchange agreement between NBSC Corporation and Southern National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SNAT), based in Lumberton, N.C., under which NBSC's shareholders will receive shares of Southern National. The agreement is awaiting approval by Southern National, with the NBSC shareholders' vote on the merger to occur sometime next spring.

Upon completion of the merger, The National Bank of South Carolina will become part of Southern National Bank of South Carolina, a subsidiary of Southern National Corporation, with its South Carolina headquarters in Sumter, S.C.

NBSC Corporation common stock is traded over-the-counter and is quoted under the symbol NSCB on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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#90332p9058 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANATA, ONTARIO, (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Newbridge Networks (NASDAQ-NMS: NNCXF) and Mercury Communications announced today that Mercury has become the main authorized distributor for Newbridge products in the United Kingdom. The Newbridge range of MainStreet digital communications networking products joins Mercury DataComs' product and services offerings.

This new business partnership with Newbridge helps to strengthen Mercury DataCom's position in the U.K. data communications market. Don Parry, general manager of Mercury DataComs explained, "We believe that our greatest strength lies in the value-added services we offer. Because we are Mercury, we can

offer customers the one-stop shopping they need, with complete end-to-end solutions, including the public network and private circuits." He added that since the formation of Mercury DataComs in April, "our turnover has easily placed us within the top ten U.K. data communications companies - our aim is to be within the top three by the mid-90s.

Andy Grant, business development manager for Mercury DataComs, explained the importance of the relationship, "Newbridge is one of the world's most technically advanced networking manufacturers and we believe that this partnership will endure that MainStreet becomes one of the most successful product ranges of its type in the U.K. Our aim is that Mercury DataComs should become synonymous with the world's best products. MainStreet fits this ideal perfectly."

"This agreement will place greater emphasis on the U.K., which in terms of size, represents more than 50 percent of the total European market," commented Bert Whyte, vice-president of European marketing at Newbridge. "Mercury DataComs' knowledge and experience of the U.K. data communications market make it an ideal partner to distribute the full range of Newbridge integrated networking products," added Whyte. "This strengthens our positioning with the corporate networks in the U.K."

Mercury DataComs was formed earlier this year to consolidate private voice and data networking resources within Mercury to offer a total approach to system integration. The prime target of this new organization is seen as the Times' Top 1,000 companies.

The MainStreet product line has been designed to exploit the potential of private and public digital networks. It comprises a wide range of multiplexers, LAN/WAN integration products and advanced voice compression technology all of which may be controlled by the Newbridge range of Network Management systems.

Newbridge Networks is an international company which specializes in the design manufacture and marketing of voice and data communications equipment for global networks. Offices and manufacturing facilities are located in Canada, the United States, Europe and Asia.

Newbridge Networks Corporation is a public company whose common shares are listed for trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange (NNC) in Canada

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Oppenheimer Capital, L.P. (the "Partnership") (NYSE: OCC) today reported net income of $3,215,000 or $.39 per

unit for the fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, on a greater number of units outstanding, compared to net income of $3,200,000 or $.40 per unit for the fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989. For the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990 net income amounted to $6,628,000 or $.82 per unit on a greater number of units outstanding, compared to net income of $6,425,000 or $.80 per unit for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1989, an increase of 3.2 percent. The Partnership owns a 32.85 percent general partnership interest in Oppenheimer Capital (the "Operating Partnership"), one of the largest independent investment management firms in the United States.

As previously announced, the Partnership has declared distributions of $.85 per unit for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990 as compared to $.8375 per unit for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1989.

Results Of The Operating Partnership Joseph M. La Motta, Oppenheimer Capital's president and chief executive officer, reported the financial results of the operating partnership.

Total assets under management were $19.1 billion at Oct. 31, 1990 up 5.2 percent from $18.1 billion at Oct. 31, 1989.

Investment management fee revenue increased 1.8 percent to $16.5 million for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, from $16.2 million for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989. For the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990 investment management fee revenue increased 11.4 percent to $35.0 million from $31.4 million for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1989.

Operating income for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, decreased 15.4 percent to $6,802,000 from $8,045,000 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989. For the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990 operating income decreased .4 percent to $15,589,000 from $15,657,000 for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1989.

Total assets under management, investment management fee revenue and operating income for the quarter and six months were adversely affected by the 13.8 percent decline in the securities markets as measured by the Standard & Poor's 500 index for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. "In addition operating income for these periods was impacted by costs associated with the continued expansion of our mutual fund business," La Motta said.

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WORCESTER, MA AND PROVIDENCE, RI (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - BankWorcester Corporation (NASDAQ: BNKW) and Citizens Financial Group, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group, plc, jointly announced today

that they have mutually agreed to terminate their proposed merger. The merger was originally announced on Feb. 16, 1990, and provided for Citizens to acquire BankWorcester at a price of $22.50 per share.

"Fundamentally, our mutual decision to terminate reflects the significant changes that have occured in the economy in general and the banking industry in particular since the time our agreement was negotiated and signed," George Graboys, president and chief executive officer of Citizens, and Harold Cabot, president and chief executive officer of BankWorcester, said in a joint statement.

"Notwithstanding our decision to terminate the merger, each of us continues to have high regard for the other's company and for the contributions our companies make to the communities we serve," Graboys and Cabot continued. "Both our companies continue to enjoy capital ratios that are well in excess of all current and proposed regulatory requirements and are strong performers both in their respective markets and in comparison to other institutions."

Under the terms of the merger agreement, Citizens' obligations to consumate the merger were subject to a number of significant conditions, including a condition that the amount of non-performing and certain other assets (the "specified amount") not exceed $50 million after receipt of regulatory and stockholder approvals. As of Sept. 30, 1990, the specified amount was $68 million.

"Over the first nine months of this year, BankWorcester experienced significant increases in non-performing assets and charge-offs and reported a net loss of approximately $6.2 million," Graboys said. "These increases and results made it highly unlikely, in Citizens' view, that all conditions to the merger could be satisfied."

"BankWorcester proposed to Citizens a variety of possible ways to restructure the transaction, including the possibility of reducing the specified amount below $50 million by placing certain non-performing assets into a liquidating trust to be funded with merger proceeds, but no agreement could be reached," Cabot said.

Citizens is a $3.1 billion regional bank holding company based in Providence, R.I.

CONTACT: Harold Cabot or Anthony J. Keller, both of BankWorcester, 508-841-4000; or Kenneth Hogberg of Citizens Financial Group, Inc., 401-456-7000

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WORCESTER, MA, PROVIDENCE, RI (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - BankWorcester

Corporation (NASDAQ: BNKW) and Citizens Financial Group, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group, plc, jointly announced today that they have mutually agreed to terminate their proposed merger. The merger was originally announced on Feb. 16, 1990, and provided for Citizens to acquire BankWorcester at a price of $22.50 per share.

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BankWorcester, based in Worcester, Mass., operates principally through its subsidiary, Worcester County Institution for Savings, which has total assets of $1.2 billion.

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WEST PALM BEACH, FLA. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Dycom Industries, Inc. (NYSE: DY) announced today that the board of directors has authorized the company to purchase up to 1 million shares of its common stock over the next 12 months. The stock purchases will be made in open market transactions at such prices as the company considers advisable and in accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Dycom will use corporate funds and existing credit lines to finance the stock purchases.

Thomas R. Pledger, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of Dycom, said, "The board of directors believes that the company's stock is presently undervalued and represents a good investment at this time." Any repurchased shares will be accumulated by the company and held in the treasury.

Dycom provides fiber transmissions and Master Contract installation services to the telecommunications industry. The company operates nationwide through wholly owned subsidiaries.

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#90332p9076 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Doctors at Hermann Hospital were notified today of Food and Drug Administration approval for a new study which will investigate how special fat-free solutions administered either by vein or orally can reduce plasma cholesterol and arrest, reverse or eliminate coronary atherosclerosis. The study will also include clinical trials at the University of Florida in Gainesville and the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.

Led by Dr. Stanley J. Dudrick, surgeon-in-chief at Hermann Hospital, a team of physicians is scheduled to begin clinical trials as early as Dec. 15. The research will compare two new therapeutic modalities to the current standard of care:

-- a specially formulated, fat-free intravenous feeding solution, called Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN), in which the protein component is a unique mixture of amino acids, called Atheromine;
-- a "no-fat" enteral formula which contains absolutely minimal quantities of fat (less than one percent of total calories) and provides the bulk of calories and protein as "no-fat" oral diet plan.

The physicians expect to show that plasma cholesterol levels can be controlled resulting in regression or elimination of atherosclerosis, therefore reducing significantly or potentially eliminating the need for today's most common surgical remedies, coronary by-pass surgery and angioplasty.

In the pilot study of 30 patients with severe atherosclerosis treated for at least 90 days with the atheromine regimen, all patients experienced reductions of plasma cholesterol between 40 and 74 percent. Many patients demonstrated reversal of atherosclerosis on their coronary angiograms, most patients required significantly less cardiac medication, and all patients experienced improved heart function and quality of life.

CONTACT: Patricia Riddlebarger of Hermann Hospital, 713-797-3370, or 713-470-9310 (home); or Catherine Graves, or Lida Bresette of GDL&W/PR, 713-267-7302, or 713-267-7301

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#90332p9078 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLEN ROCK, NJ (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Citizens First Bancorp, Inc. (AMEX: CFB), has announced the naming of a new temporary chairman, Samuel M. Lyon Jr., a long-time board member and a prominent Ridgewood, N.J. attorney.

The board also announced it is retaining a new accounting firm, Deloitte &

Touche, which will replace Coopers & Lybrand as Citizens outside auditors.

The actions announced today were taken at a board meeting Nov. 20. Lyon will replace George E. Alford, who died on Nov. 13, as chairman of the board of both Citizens First Bancorp and Citizens First National Bank of New Jersey. Alford had succeeded Richard G. Kelley as chairman last August. Kelley's role as chief executive officer was assumed by Rodney T. Verblaauw, who is also president and chief administrative officer. A committee of the board is conducting a continuing search for a permanent chairman and chief executive officer.

Lyon, who was elected to the board in 1976, said "we're very hopeful, though extremely cognizant of the prevailing economic conditions, that we'll continue to augment our financial and capital position over the next several months, and to stabilize our longer term growth and profitability picture. In terms of the future, we have had a very favorable response to our new branch in Fort Lee, which has taken in over $1.8 million in deposits in the first week of operations. It's very encouraging to see that our new customers have placed their confidence in our bank."

Verblaauw said the change in outside auditors "is an indication of our determination to start anew and continue the process of renewal with a clean slate -- a fresh start."

Citizens First National Bank of New Jersey, which has more than 50 offices serving five counties in New Jersey, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Citizens First Bancorp, Inc. As of Sept. 30, Citizens had total assets of $2.9 billion total deposits of $2.7 billion, and equity capital in excess of $147 million.

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#90332p9080 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Certified Automotive Parts Association (CAPA) today congratulated the Ford Motor Company for slashing prices 14 percent on crash replacement parts in order to meet the lower prices from competitive crash parts manufacturers.

"This shows the system works," said CAPA Executive Director Jack Gillis. "The best way to get rid of monopoly pricing is to introduce the element of competition. It's the American way and the consumer always wins."

CAPA is a non-profit organization formed to direct and oversee a testing and inspection program that certifies the quality of parts used for auto body repairs.

Gillis was referring to the Oct. 25 announcement by Ford detailing a

wide-ranging round of major price reductions on sheet metal crash replacement parts designed to meet the competition.

Prior to the early 1980's, Ford and other domestic and foreign auto makers monopolized the manufacture and distribution of these parts, and they charged exorbitant prices.

Later in the decade, when competition from non-original equipment manufacturers began, the competition's prices were about half those charged by the Detroit and Osaka auto manufacturers. As a result of the introduction of competition, consumers now have the option of buying quality parts for much lower prices.

For example, from the time of their introduction in 1983 until 1989, prices for fenders for the Ford Escort and the Honda Accord, which were subject to competition, dropped 20 and 38 percent, respectively, once competition was introduced. During the same period, front-door prices, not subject to competition, for the same two models rose 36 and 45 percent, respectively (see chart below).

CAPA's mission has been to establish, enforce and maintain standards of quality for reputable manufacturers of competitive crash replacement parts. "CAPA has made considerable strides in this area," said Gillis.

"Although we still have a ways to go, we have brought in an outside, independent testing laboratory to define and monitor manufacturing standards. In this way consumers of parts with the CAPA seal know those parts are up to top quality standards regarding fit, finish and resistance to corrosion."

CONTACT: Jack Gillis of the Certified Automotive Parts Association, (202) 737-2212.

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#90332p9082 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald J. Schuenke, chairman and chief executive officer of Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company, announced today that James D. Ericson, president of the company since Jan. 1, 1990, was designated chief operating officer effective Jan. 1, 1991, at Wednesday's meeting of the board of trustees.

As president and chief operating officer, Ericson, 55, will have responsibility for all of the company's insurance, investment, marketing and agency operations. All other departments will report to Schuenke, who will remain chairman and chief executive officer.

During the first year of this presidency, Ericson has concentrated his efforts on becoming more familiar with the company's sales organization and has

visited more than 70 of the 105 general agencies throughout the country.

Before becoming president, Ericson was executive vice president of investments and was in charge of a diversified investment portfolio of more than $20 billion. As executive vice president, he was also responsible for the law and communications departments.

Ericson joined Northwestern Mutual Life as an attorney in 1965. Among the positions he has held are: assistant to the president, director of policy benefits, and vice president and general counsel.

CONTACT: Mark Lucius, 414-299-7343, or John Caspari, 414-968-3281, both of Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company

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#90332p9086 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALATINE, IL (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Square D Company (NYSE: SQD) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 55 cents per share, payable Jan. 2, 1991 to stockholders of record Dec. 14, 1990.

The dividend will be paid to approximately 12,000 stockholders and will be the 220th consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid by the company.

Square D is a worldwide leader in industrial control and electrical distribution products, systems and services, and had 1989 sales from continuing operations of $1.60 billion.

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#90332p9087 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTOWN SQUARE, PA. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - One of the largest joint ventures between Korean and American companies, YUKONG ARCO Chemical Ltd., is beginning commercial production of propylene oxide (PO) and styrene monomer (SM) at its plant in Ulsan, South Korea.

The plant will also produce polyols and glycols which are downstream derivatives of propylene oxide.

The PO/SM plant is the first project undertaken by YUKONG ARCO, a 50/50 joint venture established in 1987 by Yukong Limited and ARCO Chemical Korea, Inc. Yukong, Korea's leading energy company, is a Sunkyong Group company. ARCO Chemical Korea, Inc. is a subsidiary of ARCO Chemical Co. (NYSE: RCM). YUKONG ARCO is managed jointly by executives who are also executives of its parent companies.

The plant, with a design capacity of 100,000 MT of PO and 225,000 MT of SM, will be sufficient to satisfy current and projected domestic Korean demand for PO. Until now, Korean companies had been completely dependent on import for PO and a major derivative, propylene glycol, which is also manufactured by YUKONG ARCO. A portion of the initial production will be exported to other Asian nations as well.

PO and SM are versatile materials that are the basic building blocks for a variety of other chemicals. PO is used to make such products as polyols for urethane foams, detergents, synthetic lubricants, synthetic elastomers, solvents and propylene glycols. SM is used primarily in the manufacture of polystyrenics.

The plant is located in Ulsan, the heart of Korea's petroleum and petrochemical industrial area. Yukong and Sunkyong Group already have substantial operations in Ulsan, which is approximately 180 miles from Seoul on Korea's southeast coast.

Design of the facility was started in mid-1987, and the plant was under construction by early 1988.

For ARCO Chemical, the joint venture represents an enhanced commitment to the Korean market and to Asia as a whole. Alan D. Kornfeld, YUKONG ARCO executive vice president and senior vice president of ARCO Chemical's Asia/Pacific operations, said, "A venture with Yukong was a natural way to strengthen ARCO Chemical's presence in the Asia/Pacific region. YUKONG ARCO combines ARCO Chemical's technology and specific product knowledge with Yukong's experience in petroleum refining and petrochemicals as well as their overall knowledge of the Korean market. The plant incorporates state-of-the-art technology."

CONTACT: Gerald T. Davis (public affairs), 215-359-3198, or Robert W. Clark (investor relations), 215-359-3382, both of ARCO Chemical

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#90332p9089 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Inacomp Computer Centers, Inc. (NASDAQ: INAC) reported record financial results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, which ended Oct. 27, 1990. Inacomp closed the quarter with revenues of $122,173,000, up 14 percent from $107,049,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income rose 6 percent from $1,472,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1990 to $1,556,000 for first quarter fiscal 1991. Earnings per share showed a 10-percent increase at $.22 per share for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, as compared to $.20 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

First quarter 1991 marked the company's 19th consecutive quarter of year-to-year improvements in both revenues and profitability. "The current economic environment provides serious challenges to businesses. Our

first-quarter performance reconfirms Inacomp's unique ability to adjust to changing conditions and to deliver superior results," said Rick Inatome, president, chairman and chief executive officer. "Consistent profit performance has been Inacomp's trademark since our inception in 1976."

Al Montross, executive vice president and chief operating officer, stated, "No other computer reseller has Inacomp's 15-year record of profit performance. This strong foundation solidifies Inacomp's ability to exploit our position as a premier solutions provider in the '90s. The key to Inacomp's continued momentum is our success in building market share by focusing more on high-end solutions in areas such as networking, accounting and visual communications." Inacomp reported margins up from 15.6 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 to 16.3 in the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

Significant increases in revenues from customer support services have also contributed to the company's overall performance. In the first quarter of fiscal 1991, support service revenues increased over 7 percent from the preceding quarter. Revenues in these areas have show steady increases during the past year, up 54 percent from the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Inacomp has added 48 value-added solution providers through its TeamWorks program since September. "If this trend continues, we could greatly increase the number of dealers in the coming year. Recruiting this type of dealer is very important to Inacomp's future success. Historically, these business organizations have provided advanced solutions/consulting on higher-end computer architectures. Their orientation is very different from the traditional computer retail store. Our new TeamWorks dealers are now in the crucial process of transferring their expertise to the high-end PC platforms, like the Compaq Systempro and IBM 486 systems, now available to Inacomp. As a result, they have contributed under 1 percent of our first-quarter revenues. However, the company considers this investment in advanced support one of the key elements of our vision for long-term, value-added growth," Inatome concluded.

Inacomp Computer Centers, Inc. markets microcomputer systems and related products and services through over 270 company-owned, franchised and affiliate locations across the country. The company provides network consultation, installation, classroom training, system maintenance and repair to its customers. Inacomp also provides short- term rental and long-term leasing of microcomputer systems. Corporate offices are in Troy.

INACOMP COMPUTER CENTERS, INC.
FIRST QUARTER FY 91

	First Quarter Ended	
	Oct. 27, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
Revenues	$122,173,000	$107,049,000
Net income	$1,556,000	$1,472,000
Earnings per share	$.22	$.20

Average shares outstanding	7,179,829	7,382,730

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#90332p9097 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARLIN, N.J. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Du Pont Imaging Systems manufacturing facility here today was certified for conformance to the ISO 9002 quality standard.

The International Organization for Standardization (ISO) is a worldwide federation of national standards bodies.

The Du Pont (NYSE: DD) site is the first in the world to win ISO quality certification in silver films, proofing systems and flexo- graphic photopolymer plates, all used in the printing and publishing industry. This certification will be adopted by companies who wish to serve the European Community (EC) and its 320 million people after 1992.

"The ISO certification of the Parlin plant helps put Du Pont in a better position to compete in Europe after 1992," said Edgar S. Woolard, chairman of Du Pont. "The certification is strong evidence that Du Pont has made a serious commitment to strengthen quality at its manufacturing sites around the world. Du Pont will continue its drive toward higher quality in all aspects of our global operations."

The ISO in Geneva is charged with developing, promoting and updating quality standards across all industries other than electrical worldwide. Certification procedures based on the ISO 9000 series standards are being implemented rapidly in the European Community. Companies without ISO certification for quality standards will not be able to display the official EC mark in their advertising and packaging.

The ISO addresses quality standards through its 9000 series, first published in 1987. The ISO 9002 certification, awarded to Du Pont Imaging Systems' Parlin site, covers quality systems in production and installation.

The ISO is the world's recognized international standards organization, comprised of members from over 90 nations. It has 2,300 technical bodies and uses 20,000 experts in preparing more than 6,000 standards. The ISO's U.S. member is the American National Standards Institute.

Du Pont Imaging Systems is a leading supplier of film, proofing materials and electronic prepress systems for the printing and publishing industry worldwide. Sales in 1989 totaled $1.5 billion. Du Pont's total sales were $35.5 billion last year.

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#90332p9099 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, NY (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of 150 security analysts at Texaco Inc.'s (NYSE: TX) worldwide headquarters in Harrison, N.Y. President and Chief Executive Officer James W. Kinnear told the financial professionals gathered that "Texaco has the people, the technology and the understanding of our markets to translate our ambitious plans into major commercial achievements."

Backing its convictions, Kinnear said, Texaco plans to spend approximately $3.1 billion in 1991, or an increase of $200 million over 1990's capital spending budget. That compares to $2.3 billion in 1989. About two-thirds of Texaco's 1991 spending will be allocated for exploration and production projects.

"Although there are some major challenges in the future -- such as the impact of the Clean Air Act on one hand and the Middle East crisis on the other -- we believe that Texaco is in a good position to achieve solid results in the years to come." Kinnear also pointed to higher public expectations for quality and environmental protection as equally challenging trends, which, he said, really ought to be viewed as opportunities.

Summarizing the current situation in the Middle East, Kinnear noted that while 7 percent of the world's crude supplies have been curtailed due to the U.N. embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil, increased crude oil production and refining elsewhere have replaced the lost production, and inventories "are certainly adequate to meet expected demand." Kinnear cautioned, however, that "there's far less spare capacity than there used to be, should we face a situation beyond our control, like an unusually cold winter."

Kinnear said he hopes that the Middle East crisis can be resolved speedily and without war. He predicted that once it is settled, he would expect "an initial drop in prices" of crude oil. Kinnear noted that the market forces that were in motion before the crisis should reassert themselves, "and crude oil could settle in the low $20 range." But, he added, "there most likely will continue to be volatility beyond the end of the crisis, although we think there could be less than in the past," due to supply and demand on world markets being more in balance.

Regarding the company's Star Enterprise 50-50 joint venture in the United States with Saudi Arabia, Kinnear pointed to the "great success" of the refining and marketing joint venture formed in 1989. Kinnear noted that Star Enterprise, which has all of its assets in the United States, including three refineries and associated marketing facilities along the East and Gulf coasts,

gets about 85 percent of its crude from Saudi Arabia. "Should there be a disruption in producing capacity, the continued supply to the Star refineries would be just as important to the Saudis as to Texaco," Kinnear stated. "Moreover, those refineries can run a variety of other heavy crudes, including Mexican and Venezuelan. Therefore, Star Enterprise can successfully compete for more crudes in the market."

CONTACT: Texaco media relations, 914-253-4177

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#90332p9101 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Mail Boxes Etc. (MBE) (NASDAQ: MAIL) announced the following financial results for the second quarter ended Oct. 31 1990.

The company's second quarter revenues were $7,298,829 and net income was $1,022,829. This year's second quarter results, when compared to $6,403,997 of revenues and $744,746 of net income for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989, represents a 14 percent increase in revenues and a 37 percent increase in net income. Earnings per share were $.26 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, compared to $.20 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989, an increase of 30 percent. Based on a weighted average, the number of shares outstanding for the three-month period ended Oct. 31,

1990 was 3,966,294, compared to 3,817,668 for the same period last year. The increase of 148,626 in the weighted average number of shares outstanding represents a 4 percent increase which resulted from the selling of 400,000 shares of MBE stock to United Parcel Service on Oct. 3, 1990. Included in above results was an after-tax recovery of $240,000 paid by the company's directors and officers insurance carrier resulting from a recent litigation settlement.

Revenues for the first six months were $13,480,533 with net income of $1,816,317. This compares to last year's first six months revenue of $11,828,517 and net income of $1,332,825 representing a 14 percent increase in revenues and a 36 percent increase in net income. Earnings per share for the first six months ended Oct. 31, 1990 were $.47, compared to $.35 or a 34 percent increase. The weighted average number of shares outstanding over the six-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990 was 3,897,104, compared to 3,817,697 for the period ended Oct. 31, 1989. This is an increase of 79,407 shares outstanding, or 2 percent.

Mail Boxes Etc. is a San Diego-based holding company whose operating subsidiary, Mail Boxes Etc. USA Inc. (also known as "The Post Office Alternative") is the nation's largest franchiser of neighborhood service centers specializing in postal, business and communication services. At the close of business on Oct. 31, 1990, Mail Boxes Etc. USA Inc. had 1,255 Service

Centers operating in 45 states, plus the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Canada, Mexico and Japan.

CONTACT: A.W. (Tony) DeSio, CEO of Mail Boxes Etc., 619-455-8800

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#90332p9103 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - National Convenience Stores Inc. (NYSE: NCS) and BP Oil Co. today announced the signing of a letter of intent for BP Oil Co. to acquire NCS' assets in West Palm Beach, Fla., including 29 operating convenience stores, for an undisclosed amount of cash. The transaction is subject to the negotiation and execution of a definitive asset purchase agreement.

V.H. Van Horn, president and chief executive officer of NCS, said, "This sale represents another step toward our strategic objective of focusing our asset base by building major positions in certain markets and withdrawing from other markets where we are less important. The proceeds will be used to reduce bank debt, helping the company achieve another strategic objective which is to reduce our leverage level."

NCS operates 1,084 specialty convenience stores in four Sunbelt states under the name Stop N Go.

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#90332p9105 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER HILLS, MI. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Ameritech Paging Services announces the grand opening of its new location at:

Hampton Village Centre 2951 S. Rochester Road Rochester Hills, MI 48309 313-853-5080 Location: South Rochester Road and Auburn Road. Ameritech Paging is backed by an industry leader -- with 75 years of telecommunications experience. They offer customers a broad range of paging systems including numeric display, voice and nationwide paging as well as voice mail services.

The grand opening celebration will take place Wednesday through Friday, Dec. 12-14, from 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Customers shopping in the store during the grand opening celebration can win prizes including a free beeper for one year, free paging service and Jax Kar Wash gift certificates.

Ameritech Paging is also located in Lathrup Village at 26820 Southfield Road, just off I-96, phone 313-559-6826.

For further information, please call Fred Wetzel at 313-853-5080.

CONTACT: Carol Gardner of Dennis R. Green & Associates, 313-352-0700, for Ameritech Paging

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#90332p9109 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Health Realty Income Trust (NYSE: UHT) announced today that its board of trustees declared a dividend of $.37 per share payable on Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 14. This is the same dividend rate the trust has paid for the past five quarters.

The trust also announced that the trustees elected Myles H. Tanenbaum to serve as a Class I independent trustee effective today, for the term expiring at the 1993 annual meeting of the trust or until his successor is elected.

Tanenbaum has had a long career as a prominent tax attorney, certified public accountant, and real estate executive. Tanenbaum is currently the president and managing general partner of EQK Green Acres L.P., president and trustee of EQK Realty Investors Inc., a consultant to Equitable Real Estate Investment Management Inc. and a member of the board of Pep Boys - Manny, Moe & Jack.

Tanenbaum is active in several Philadelphia area community and philanthropic organizations and serves the University of Pennsylvania as a member of the board of trustees and executive committee; the board of overseers, law school; board of trustees, medical center; the Wharton Real Estate Advisory Board; chairman of the Hospital Board, and lecturer at the Wharton School.

Universal Health Realty Income Trust, a real estate investment trust, invests in health care- and human service-related facilities including acute-care hospitals, psychiatric hospitals, substance-abuse recovery centers and rehabilitation hospitals. The trust currently owns 12 hospitals and provides mortgage financing for another hospital.

CONTACT: Kirk E. Gorman of Universal Health Realty Income Trust, (215) 265-0688.

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#90332p9111 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (NOV. 28 PR NEWSWIRE - Carolina First BancShares Inc., parent company of Lincoln Bank of North Carolina, has declared a 5 percent stock dividend payable Dec. 19 to stockholders of record Nov. 28, according to D. Mark Boyd III, chairman of the board of directors.

The 40,688 new dividend shares will bring the total outstanding shares to 854,452. Carolina First had assets of approximately $138 million at Sept. 30,

and stockholders equity of $10.3 million.

Carolina First's common stock is traded in the Over-the-Counter market.

CONTACT: James E. Burt III of Carolina First BancShares, 704-732-2222

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#90332p9116 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - E-Systems Inc. (NYSE: ESY) Board of Directors today approved a fourth quarter dividend of 18.75 cents a common share (75 cents on an annualized basis), payable Jan. 4, 1991 to stockholders of record on December 14.

E-Systems has paid consecutive quarterly dividends for twenty years. E-Systems is a major worldwide developer and producer of electronic systems and products in the areas of intelligence, reconnaissance and surveillance systems command and control, electronic warfare, specialized aircraft maintenance and modification, guidance, navigation and control, communications and data systems.

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-30- 863

#90332p9118 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1996 (NYSE: BDJ), a registered, closed-end investment company whose shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, announced today that it had filed a Registration Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to a public offering by it of 2 million shares of its common stock. The trust is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated. The shares will be offered through a group of underwriters led by Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated. The anticipated date of the commencement of the offering is the week of Dec. 17, 1990.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sales of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

A copy of the preliminary prospectus relating to these securities may be obtained from Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated, 222 South Ninth St., Minneapolis, MN 55402.

There are two closed-end funds with similar names -- American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1995 (ADJ) and American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1996 (BDJ). To avoid confusion, please use the full name including the year when referencing this press release.

CONTACT: Nancy Strom Solhaug of Piper Capital Management, 612-342-6384

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#90332p9126 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Shell Canada Ltd. (Montreal, Toronto, Vancouver: SHC) today declared a semi-annual dividend of 45 cents per Class "A" common share. These dividends will be payable Dec. 4, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 8, 1990.

Dividends to be payable in U.S. funds to shareholders with registered addresses in the United States will be converted into U.S. funds at the rate quoted for U.S. funds by the Bank of Canada at noon Dec. 7, 1990.

CONTACT: Gary Sherkey of Shell Canada Ltd., 403-691-2175

-30- 718

#90332p9127 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

EXTON, PA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Intelligent Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: INEL), the world's largest chain of computer dealers in terms of both revenues and locations, expects to exceed investment community expectations in sales, profit, and earnings per share for fiscal year 1990, Richard D. Sanford, Intelligent's chairman and chief executive officer, announced today in an interview with the Dow Jones News Service.

"We expect Intelligent's year-end numbers will surpass the revenue and EPS expectations of the investment community," Sanford said. "We fully expect to announce our 28th consecutive quarter of record-breaking revenues and profitability." Sanford noted that the company continues to generate significant cash from operations as a result of strong asset management and profitability.

Intelligent's fiscal year ended Oct. 31, and the company said it plans to announce its fourth quarter and year-end results Monday, Dec. 3.

Sanford attributes Intelligent's continued success to its focus on the small and mid-sized business market, strategic manufacturer relationships, and experienced network of approximately 1,000 centers. "The caliber of our dealers supported by the leadership strength of Intelligent is combining to capture increasing share in the market," Sanford said.

Intelligent Electronics Inc. computer dealers are located in all 50 states, Canada and Guam. Three chains comprise the Intelligent network: Todays Computers Business Centers (TCBC), Entre Computer Centers, and Connecting Point of America Inc. Intelligent is headquartered in Exton.

CONTACT: Stephanie D. Cohen of Intelligent Electronics, 215-458-6603

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#90332p9141 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, ORE (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Tektronix Inc. (NYSE: TEK) board of directors today declared a quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share. This dividend will be paid to shareowners of record Jan. 18, 1991, and is payable of Feb. 4, 1991.

CONTACT: Fletcher C. Chamberlin of Tektronix Inc., 503-627-7147

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#90332p9152 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (NOV. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Baker Hughes Incorporated (NYSE, Zurich: BHI) and Varco International Inc. (NYSE: VRC) announced today that Varco has completed the acquisition of the assets of the TOTCO division of Exlog Inc., a subsidiary of Baker Hughes for 2,346,041 shares of Varco common stock and approximately $20 million in cash.

The TOTCO Division manufactures, sells and rents a variety of instrumentation and analytical equipment utilized on drilling rigs and certain other oilfield and industrial applications. For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990 the TOTCO division's unaudited results were approximately $3.6 million in pre-tax income on revenues of approximately $28.1 million.

Varco President George Boyadjieff said, "The acquisition of TOTCO, combined with the purchase of Martin Decker earlier this year, makes Varco the leading manufacturer of rig instrumentation equipment, a market which is expected to grow substantially during the decade of the 1990s. These acquisitions have significantly broadened the product offerings and revenue base of Varco International."

Baker Hughes is a leading provider of products and services for the oil, gas and process industries.

Varco is a leading manufacturer of tools and equipment used in the petroleum industry throughout the world.

CONTACT: Dick Kertson of Varco International Inc., 714-978-1900

-30- 1554

#90332p9157 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO, (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Cara Operations Limited of Toronto today signed a letter of intent to purchase all the outstanding shares of Arvak Limited.

The purchase will be funded by internal resources and borrowings. The purchase price is $33.5 million to be paid partly in cash and partly by the issuance, subject to regulatory approval, of 1,000,000 Class A non-voting shares of Cara Operations Limited at a price of $14 per share. In addition, $7 million may be paid to selling shareholders on an earn-out basis over four years.

As it joins the Cara group of companies, Arvak Limited will be enhancing its position as a leading Canadian institutional food service company. Through its subsidiaries, Beaver Foods Limited, Les Services Alimentaires CVC Inc., and Summit Food Distributors Inc., Arvak is engaged in contract food service management and institutional wholesale food distribution. Based in London, Ontario, the Arvak group has annual consolidated sales of $220 million and 6,000 employees across Canada.

Cara Operations Limited is a diversified Canadian company with annual system sales, inclusive of franchisees' sales, in excess of $1 billion. Its operating divisions include Swiss Chalet, Harvey's, Airline In-Flight Service, Cara Restaurants and retail operations, Days Inn - Canada, and Grand & Toy Limited.

In announcing this development, Jaroslaw Bilak, chief executive officer of Arvak Limited, said, "Both Cara and Arvak are Canadian companies which share the same culture -- one of a tradition of outstanding service to their clients and customers and a strong commitment to their respective employees. With the financial strength of Cara, we will be well positioned to meet the competitive challenges and opportunities emerging in the 1990s and beyond."

Under the proposed agreement with Cara, Arvak will remain headquartered in London, Ontario, and its subsidiaries will continue as separate operating entities with their current management and employees in place.

CONTACT: Jaroslaw Bilak, president of Arvak Limited, 519-679-2661; or Bernie Syron, chairman and chief executive officer of Cara Operations Limited, 416-962-4571

-30- 2363

#90332p9162 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Howard P. Allen, former chairman of Southern California Edison Co., and Ann D. McLaughlin, former Secretary of Labor in the Reagan administration, today were elected to the board of directors of AMR Corp. (NYSE: AMR), the parent company of American Airlines.

"AMR is proud to be adding two such distinguished and widely experienced people to its board," said Robert L. Crandall, AMR's chairman and president. "Howard Allen has established a long record of outstanding achievement in business, civic and community affairs. Ann McLaughlin's many accomplishments include extensive service in both the private and public sectors.

"These two fine individuals will make a major contribution to AMR as it plans for continued growth and expansion in the difficult period of the 1990s," Crandall said.

Allen retired on Oct. 1 as chairman and chief executive officer of SCEcorp and Southern California Edison Co. after 36 years with the organization. He remains chairman of its executive committee.

Allen joined Edison in 1954, and was elected a vice president in 1962. He became a senior vice president in 1971, executive vice president in 1973 and president and a director in 1980. He was elected chairman and chief executive officer in 1984.

McLaughlin was named Secretary of Labor by President Reagan in November 1987 and later established the Workforce Quality Commission, the first blue ribbon commission to address workforce competitiveness issues in a global economy. She was awarded the President's Citizen Medal in recognition of her public service.

Earlier in the Reagan administration, she had been Under Secretary of the Department of the Interior and Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, where she earned the department's highest honor, the Alexander Hamilton Award for distinguished leadership.

In September 1989, President Bush appointed McLaughlin chairman of the President's Commission on Aviation Security and Terrorism. The commission presented its report last May, focusing in particular on the events surrounding the destruction of Pan American Flight 103.

CONTACT: Al Becker of American Airlines, 817-967-1577

-30- 2376

#90332p9164 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are the financial highlights and consolidated statement of income for Standard Trustco Limited for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990:

Financial Highlights

September 30	1990	1989
Total assets	$1,754,424,000	$ 1,646,947,000

Total mortgages	1,283,560,000	1,203,999,000
Total securities	174,707,000	150,876,000
Total deposits	1,612,354,000	1,424,340,000
Shareholders' equity	27,468,000	88,952,000
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	7,090,686	7,041,745

Consolidated Statement of Income (Unaudited)

Nine months ended September 30	1990	1989
Investment income:		
Cash and short-term investments	$ 15,232,000	$ 12,401,000
Securities	12,862,000	11,278,000
Mortgages	116,877,000	110,558,000
Leases	3,521,000	4,078,000
Collateral loans, notes and other	7,701,000	7,989,000
Total	156,193,000	146,304,000
Interest and commissions on customer deposits and borrowings	136,614,000	117,364,000
Net investment income	19,579,000	28,940,000
Fees	1,515,000	981,000
Real estate	587,000	2,977,000
Other	338,000	309,000
Total	22,019,000	33,207,000
Operating and other expenses:		
Staff salaries and benefits	7,661,000	7,568,000
Other operating	12,226,000	8,900,000
Total	19,887,000	16,468,000
Provision for losses	59,635,000	495,000
Real estate	870,000	2,393,000
Total	80,392,000	19,356,000
(Loss) income before income taxes and net (loss) gain on investments	(58,373,000)	13,851,000
Income taxes	1,344,000	2,014,000
(Loss) income before net gain (loss) on investments and income taxes	(59,717,000)	11,837,000
Net gain (loss) on investments	592,000	(471,000)
Income taxes recovery	229,000	569,000
Total	821,000	98,000
(Loss) income before minority interest	(58,896,000)	11,935,000
Minority interest recovery	73,000	71,000
Net (loss) income	(58,823,000)	12,006,000
Preference share dividend requirements	742,000	742,000
Net (loss) income attributable to common shareholders	$ (59,565,000)	$ 11,264,000
(Loss) earnings per common share	($8.40)	$1.60

CONTACT: Ed Shiller of Standard Trustco, 416-496-2243 or 416-865-1991

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#90332p9166 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MI. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - International Controls Corp. has determined not to extend the exchange offers made to holders of its 12-3/4 percent senior subordinated debentures due 2001, and its subordinated discount debentures due Jan. 1, 2006.

The exchange offers, initiated on June 15, 1990, had been extended to 5 p.m. tonight. After negotiations with the debentureholders committee and its advisors failed to produce an acceptable alternative to the terms of the exchange offers, the company decided to terminate the exchange offers on the expiration date.

All debentures tendered are being promptly returned to tendering holders. The cash that was to be used in the exchange offers may be used by the company to purchase debentures from time to time on the open market and in privately negotiated transactions depending on terms, prices and conditions available to the company.

CONTACT: Kevin Hanley of International Controls Corp., 616-343-6121, or Marisa Heine or William Catocosinos of D.F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for International Controls Corp.

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#90332p9169 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT. (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - NAC Re Corporation (NASDAQ: NREC) and John W. Kluge announced the resignation of Kluge from the company's board of directors, effective today.

Kluge, age 76, has served on NAC Re's board from its inception. In tendering his resignation, Kluge stated that due to age considerations he has decided, with regret, to reduce certain of his activities outside of his chairmanship of Metromedia Company.

Kluge has also advised the company that over time he will sell his share ownership in the company. Kluge presently owns approximately 9.8 percent of the company's outstanding common stock.

According to Ronald L. Bornhuetter, chief executive officer of NAC Re Corp., the company will greatly miss Kluge's participation on the board. The company expects to present a nomination for a new director in the near future.

CONTACT: Paul J. Malvasio, VP, treasurer and CFO of NAC Re, 203-622-5248

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#90332p9173 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMINGTON, MINN (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The Toro Company (NYSE: TTC) today announced a loss for the first quarter of fiscal 1991. The company said it expects to meet its earnings goal for the year.

For the first quarter ended Nov. 2, 1990, Toro reported a net loss of $5.6 million, or 47 cents per share, vs. net income of $2.6 million, or 24 cents per share, in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Sales in the first quarter declined 5.6 percent to $129.4 million from $137.0 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Excluding sales from Lawn-Boy Inc., sales in the quarter were down 14.4 percent vs. the year-ago quarter.

"On the positive side, we are vigorously pursuing a plan that aggressively reduces expense levels in response to a recessionary environment,'' said Toro Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Kendrick B. Melrose. ''The plan is based on the assumption that fiscal 1991 total sales including Lawn-Boy products will be flat compared to last year, and without Lawn-Boy products unit volume will be down approximately 10 percent. Despite our assumption of flat sales for fiscal 1991, we still believe earnings per share of around $2 is attainable."

Despite the uncertainties in the marketplace, commercial product sales remained strong worldwide, rising approximately 22 percent in the quarter compared to the same period last year, the company said. Sales continued to benefit from strong demand for new products serving both the golf, municipal and other growing non-golf professional markets, Melrose said. Toro looks for continued growth in its commercial products business, but at a lower rate of growth than in the recent past.

Irrigation products continue to be affected by economic conditions throughout the United States, Melrose said. Industrywide sales to commercial and residential customers have dropped because of the depressed real estate markets, and Toro has felt the added pressure of a more conservative inventory position taken by distributors and contractors, Melrose added.

The Toro Company is the world's largest independent manufacturer and marketer of outdoor maintenance and irrigation equipment.

CONTACT: Dennis Himan of The Toro Company, 612-887-8411; or Fred Nachman of Financial Relations Board/Chicago, 312-266-7800, or Jan Quartner of FRB/New York, 212-661-8030, for Toro

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#90332p9174 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - MTS Systems Corporation, a manufacturer of computer-based systems for determining the durability of materials, products and structures; and measurement and control systems for the

automation of manufacturing processes, reports fiscal year 1990 sales, net income and incoming orders.

Sales for the fiscal year 1990 increased 5 percent to $160,159,400 compared to $152,630,300 one year ago. Net income decreased 24 percent to $8,408,300 resulting in per-share earnings of $1.82 compared to $2.41 in the preceding year.

Sales for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 were $47,568,300 compared to $53,366,100 in the comparable quarter one year ago. Pretax income decreased to $1,869,800 from $8,488,200 reflecting lower sales, a reduction in gross margin resulting from reserves required for completion of certain Seismic Simulation projects, and accelerated spending for new product development.

Profit in the quarter was also reduced by $570,000 due to write-offs associated with the previously announced sale of the company's Packaging Testing Equipment business to Mechanical Technology Inc. of Latham, N.Y. This business accounted for less than 2 percent of the company's revenues in the fiscal year and has not been profitable.

Net income of $2,057,500 and earnings per share of $.45 benefited from a lower effective tax rate for fiscal year 1990 due principally to higher Research and Development tax credits and increased tax exempt income from the company's Foreign Sales Corporation.

New orders for the fiscal year 1990 were $157,211,700, an increase of 7 percent compared to the previous year. Backlog of undelivered orders on Sept. 30, 1990 totaled $71,032,200 compared to $72,977,100 the same date one year ago.

The company said it does not expect significant revenue growth in fiscal year 1991 due to continued weakness in its North American markets but said it does expect earnings to recover due to the absence of the aforementioned reserves and write-offs and the increased profitability of its backlog.

At the regular quarterly meeting of the board of directors held on Nov. 28, 1990, the directors declared a dividend of 10 cents per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 7, 1990.

At the same meeting the directors authorized the additional purchase of 200,000 shares of its common stock. Subject to price and market conditions, shares would be repurchased on the open market or through private transactions.

CONTACT: Donald M. Sullivan or Marshall Carpenter of MTS Systems, 612-937-4000

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#90332p9175 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHESDA, MD (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Martin Marietta Corporation (NYSE: ML) today received a $525.9-million contract to modernize the information systems capabilities of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the company's fifth major commercial and civil government contract since July. Together, the contracts have a potential value of more than $1 billion.

"These new programs advance our strategy of broadening the corporation's business base, moving further into related fields of high technology where we have experience and exceptional resources," said Norman R. Augustine, chairman and chief executive officer of Martin Marietta Corporation. "We expect this HUD contract to have a positive effect on our 1991 operating earnings and a significant impact into the next century."

In addition to the HUD contract, Martin Marietta recently was awarded contracts from the U.S. Postal Service to produce automated mail-processing machines; contracts from Pratt & Whitney and General Electric for jet engine thrust reversers; and a contract from the Australian Civil Aviation Authority to help modernize that country's air traffic control system.

The HUD program, to be administered over 12 years, represents that agency's plan to consolidate all of its automated data processing operations under a single contractor. The agency's present telecommunications networks will be combined into a single integrated network linking HUD headquarters in Washington, to a new Martin Marietta data center in Lanham, Md. The agency's 81 field and regional offices also will be tied into the network.

The majority of the data processing will be performed at the Lanham center, built specifically for the new program. The center will include a computer facility that will house state-of-the-art mainframes, a computer and telecommunications network command center and a tape library.

An initial staff of approximately 100 people will implement the preliminary phases of the contract, with employment eventually approaching 300 in the next year. Peter A. Bracken is vice president and Martin Marietta program manager for the project, called HUD Integrated Information Processing Service, or HIIPS.

CONTACT: Thomas Hobson, 703-802-5564, or Charles Manor 301-897-6289, both of Martin Marietta

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#90332p9178 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - SPI Pharmaceuticals Inc. (AMEX: SPI) board of directors declared on Nov. 27 a regular quarterly dividend of 2 1/4 cents per share of common stock. The annual dividend rate now stands at 9 cents a share.

The dividend is payable Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 15, 1990.

SPI Pharmaceuticals Inc. manufactures, distributes and markets a broad range of prescription and non-prescription pharmaceutical products primarily in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Europe.

SPI reported net income of $3.4 million on sales of $31.4 million for the third quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Jack Sholl of SPI Pharmaceuticals Inc., 714-545-0100.

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#90332p9186 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, Alberta (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Shell Canada Ltd. (Montreal, Toronto Vancouver: SHC) announced today that it intends to offer for sale selected coal assets, including the Line Creek open pit coal mine in south eastern British Columbia, operated by its wholly owned subsidiary Crows Nest Resources Ltd.

For the upstream sector, Shell Canada has decided to focus its capital and management resources on its oil and gas businesses.

Construction of the Line Creek Mine was completed in 1982 and it currently sells about 3 million tons of coal annually, about 2 million tons of metallurgical, and the balance thermal. The coal is sold to a number of customers overseas, particularly in Japan and Korea, and is also exported to the United States and the United Kingdom.

The mine employs about 460 people, some 365 of whom are members of the International Union of Operating Engineers.

The company intends to retain some coal properties in Alberta and British Columbia.

"Shell's intention is to sell the Line Creek Mine as an operating entity, and it is intended that any purchaser will honor all existing agreements with the union, customers, and suppliers," said Bob Rouleau, president of Crows Nest Resources Ltd.

CONTACT: Bob Rouleau, president of Crows Nest Resources Ltd., 403-691-2120; George Bell of Line Creek Mine, 604-425-2555; or Brent Shervey of Shell Canada Ltd. 403-691-2065.

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#90332p9188 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - Centocor Inc. (NASDAQ: CNTO) today confirmed that 1.35 million shares of its common stock held for investment by FMC Corp. (Chicago) was sold to Robertson Stephens & Co. and placed with institutional buyers.

The sale was made at $45 per share, less than a point below the 52- week high for Centocor stock. Since the sale, the stock reached a new high of 46-1/2.

In response to inquires concerning the sale of the FMC shares, Hubert Schoemaker, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Centocor, said, "to us it is particularly striking that a block of this size could be absorbed by the market in a single day with so little fanfare. We take it as a great vote of confidence in Centocor's future."

Centocor Inc., based in Malvern, develops, manufacturers and markets diagnostic and pharmaceutical products for human health care. The company's products are based on monoclonal antibody technology and are primarily intended for use in the management of patients with infectious, cardiovascular and autoimmune disease and cancer.

CONTACT: Thomas Pearson, 215-648-3975, or Charles C. Cabot III, 215-889-4456, both of Centocor.

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#90332p9191 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of FMC Gold Company (NYSE: FGL) today announced a regular annual dividend of 5 cents per share on its common stock, payable Dec. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record on Dec. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: Pat Brozowski of FMC Corp., 312-861-6104.

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#90332p9203 11/28/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, CALIF (NOV. 28) PR NEWSWIRE - AutoFinance Group Inc. (Boston: AFG) today announced that Quantum Fund N.V., a Netherlands Antilles corporation, has purchased 1,674,933 shares of common stock from AutoFinance Group Inc. for $5,000,000 cash. As a result of the purchase, Quantum, to whom SOROS Fund Management, headquartered in New York City, is the principal investment adviser, owns 25 percent of AutoFinance Group Inc.'s outstanding stock, after giving effect to the assumed exercise of AFG's publicly owned warrants.

Under the terms of the Stock Purchase Agreement, Quantum has the right to elect two persons to AFG's board of directors.

A.E. Steinhaus, president of AutoFinance Group Inc. stated that the capital

investment, together with additional financing that has been committed to the company by its principal lending bank will supply the company's capital needs until October 1991.

Based in Burbank, AutoFinance Group Inc. acquires automobile finance contracts from franchised new car dealers thorughout California; it has recently expanded its operations to include franchised new car dealers in New Mexico.

CONTACT: A.E. Steinhaus, President, or Blair Nance, CFO, of AutoFinance Group Inc., 818-562-5050

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#90332u0054 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - By a unanimous vote, the U-N Security Council today adopted a resolution condemning Iraqi atrocities against Kuwaitis... and took over custody of Kuwait's civil records. The 15-0 vote followed two days of accounts from Kuwaiti refugees about killings, rapes and looting.

Today's vote preceded another being sought by the United States to have the Security Council impose a January 15th deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait or face a military strike. The council will hold a special session tomorrow to adopt a resolution imposing the deadline.

New British Prime Minister John Major made extensive changes to the administration he inherited from Margaret Thatcher, including naming former rival Michael Heseltine as environment secretary to sort out the controversial poll tax. But he kept Douglas Hurd as foreign secretary.

President Bush today signed a 24-point-eight BILLION-dollar housing bill that creates an additional 360-thousand units of affordable housing. Bush told a White House signing ceremony- ''We want public housing to become a springboard for independence, not a bottomless pit for dependency.''

Columbia's countdown to blastoff is scheduled to begin in about two hours. If all goes well, the space shuttle and its seven- man crew will blast off early Sunday on a long-delayed, 17- day astronomy flight.

A Norfolk, Virginia, lawyer with close ties to former boxing great Muhammad Ali was indicted today on federal tax and conspiracy charges. If convicted, attorney Richard Hirschfeld could be sentenced up to 16 years in prison and fined 700-thousand dollars.

The high-profile attorney has accompanied Ali during appearances on Capitol Hill and trips to the Middle East. He shares a horse farm outside Charlottesville with the former heavyweight champion.

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#90332u0117 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 28) UPI - Margaret Thatcher is spending her last few hours as Britain's prime minister. Thatcher formally hands in her resignation Wednesday to Queen Elizabeth at Buckingham Palace... clearing the way for Chancellor John Major to become the country's youngest prime minister this centry. Major is 47 and the son of a trapeze artist.

A former crony of fallen junk bond king Michael Milken has settled a civil suit brought against him by the U-S Securities and Exchange Commission. Without admitting or denying he violated securities laws, David Solomon agreed to pay seven-point-nine Million dollars. The S-E-C alleges that Solomon worked with Milken in various illegal financial schemes.

Federal authorities say two veteran postal employees and a Hollywood, Florida, firm have agreed to plead guilty in a seven-point-five-Million- dollar mail fraud scheme. Officials say the workers allegedly accepted kickbacks for allowing Atlas Pen and Pencil Corporation to mail its goods in bulk at cut-rate prices.

The massive jet fuel fire near Denver's Stapleton International Airport has been put out, finally. Firefighters snuffed out the inferno Tuesday after it raged for more than two days at a storage tank farm... and burned up an estimated two-Million gallons of jet fuel. Authorities still have NO word on what caused the fire.

In Mexico City, a fire broke out next to a solvent storeroom at the international airport, touching off a scare when billows of thick smoke from the blaze reached a departure waiting room. Officials say about 15 people were treated for smoke inhalation. Authorities temporarily suspended domestic and international departures.

The Army has begun tests of an experimental AIDS vaccine to see if it can boost the immune system and delay symptoms of AIDS. Researchers say the vaccine is being tested on Army personnel and family members infected with the deadly virus. The 10-month study of 55 volunteer patients began last week at Walter Reed Army Institute in Washington.

British author Salman Rushdie emerged from hiding for the first time in 21 months to plead for an end to a death edict against him for his book ''The Satanic Verses.''. In a late-night interview with B-B-C T-V, Rushdie called on hard-line Moslems to negotiate an end to the death sentence, saying the furor over his book is dying down.

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#90332u0203 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 28) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Atlanta at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
LA Clippers at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Houston at Utah, 9:30 p.m.
San Antonio at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

Quebec at Hartford, 7:35 p.m.
Buffalo at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
Washington at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.
Calgary at Winnipeg, 8:35 p.m.

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#90332u0213 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - It was a lot to ask of a freshman. Too much as it turned out.

Florida's Craig Brown stood at the free throw line for two shots with four seconds left and 19th ranked Texas leading 75-74 Tuesday night. He missed them both.

The Longhorns drew two foul shots of their own and center Guillermo Myers made one of them, giving Texas a 76-74 victory in its season- opener. The Gators fell to 0-2.

''I never had any other thought that winning the game,'' said the crestfallen Brown, a 6-foot-3 guard from Steelton, Pa. ''I felt real good about shooting them, and then I felt real bad about what happened.''

Coach Lon Kruger, in his first season at Florida after moving from Kansas State, promised the young freshman there would be many more opportunities.

''When you have the game on the line and you're at the line that's what people look forward to, but occasionally, you're going to miss,'' Kruger said. ''I told Craig we'll have him at the line plenty the next couple of years, as hard as it may be for him to believe right now.''

Texas Coach Tom Penders said he was relieved to get the first victory over

with on the road.

''I told the team that anyway we can get a win, we we'd take it and get out of here,'' Penders said. ''The team tonight played with a lot of intensity and a lot of fight.''

-- AROUND THE NCAA --

Elsewhere, at Pine Bluff, Ark., No. 3 Arkansas blew Mississippi College away 96-57 despite some disciplinary action. Todd Day and Oliver Miller, both of whom did not play in the first half, sparked a 50-8 second-half run.

Day and Miller, who played 12 minutes each in the second half, were suspended for the first half by Arkansas Coach Nolan Richardson for receiving technical fouls in the Razorbacks' Preseason NIT loss to No. 1 Arizona last week.

In a game at the Dean Smith Convocation Center in Chapel Hill, N.C., forward Clifford Rozier was more successful as a freshman than Brown, scoring 22 points, and leading fourth-ranked North Carolina to a 104-61 thrashing of Jacksonville.

Forwards George Lynch and Rick Fox added 19 each for the unbeaten Tar Heels. The Dolphins were led by forward Reggie Law with 16 and center Tim Burroughs with 15.

At Tuscaloosa, Ala., the Crimson Tide's Melvin Cheatum scored a career-high 28 points, including seven in overtime as eighth-ranked Alabama outlasted Wake Forest, 86-85.

''Down the stretch the team had confidence in me, and I got to capitalize on it,'' Cheatum said. ''They were not contesting my shots so they were leaving me open as I went to the basket.''

At Atlanta, 14th-ranked Georgia Tech won its second in two games, defeating Morgan State 87-65 behind a 33-point performance by Malcolm Mackey. Guard Kenny Anderson scored only seven points but collected a game-high 13 assists.

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#90332u0214 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - With the Bush administration pressing its case in the United Nations for an option to use military force against Iraq, Senate Democratic leaders debating U.S. gulf policy urged the White House to give economic sanctions time to work.

Administration officials reportedly have the necessary votes lined up among U.N. Security Council members to pass a resolution Thursday authorizing military action if Iraqi troops do not voluntarily withdraw from Kuwait.

''If ever there was a case for giving peace a chance, this is it,'' Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., said Tuesday. ''This is one search for peace that does not involve appeasement of aggression. We should do all we can in Congress to stop this war before it starts.''

Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman Sam Nunn, D-Ga., said there was justification for military action to force Iraq from Kuwait, but asked whether it was ''wise at this time and in our national interest.''

Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, added: ''Will the embargo work? We don't know yet. It's only been in a short period of time. Let's give it a chance.''

Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., said President Bush ''should be displaying American staying power for the long haul. It is American determination to make the economic sanctions work over a long period that is more likely to impress Saddam Hussein.''

The Senate policy hearings are the first since the administration's announcement Nov. 8 that the United States would double its forces in the Persian Gulf region - to about 400,000 troops by January. The move gives the U.S.-led multinational force massed in the region an offensive capability.

The five permanent members of the Council - the United States, Britain, France China and the Soviet Union - reportedly have agreed on the use of force with the only sticking point being whether the resolution set a pullout deadline of Jan. 1 or Jan. 15.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said in a statement Tuesday that he proposed Jan. 15 as the last date for a pullout, citing Soviet ''reticence'' on setting New Year's Day as the deadline.

Kuwait, meanwhile, Tuesday asked the United Nations to take custody of Kuwait's civil records for future litigation against Iraq, which they said is systematically destroying their country.

A delegation of seven Kuwaiti refugees told a U.N. Security Council session that Iraqi soldiers acted like ''pirates'' and ''primitive people'' since they invaded the small emirate Aug. 2.

In the testimony against alleged Iraqi atrocities, Kuwaiti U.N. Ambassador Mohammad Abulhassan said Iraq embarked on ''very anomalistic'' actions against Kuwaitis including ''unjustifiable killings, displacement, violation of sanctities and rape, torture, humiliation of people's dignity, intimidation of innocent residents and organized pillagings.''

Abulhassan said the destruction brought back the ''era of pirates and primitive ages.''

Videotapes and pictures of victims of Iraqi ''barbaric acts'' were shown to the council.

The U.N. discussions on the possible use of force hit a stumbling block when Palestinian Liberation Organization allies tried to force a vote on Palestinian rights.

The resolution, introduced by Cuba, Yemen, Malaysia and Colombia three weeks ago, called for the stationing of a U.N. commissioner and a peace force in the West Bank and Gaza Strip to protect Palestinians living there.

The call for U.N. protection for Palestinians stemmed from non- aligned and Arab countries's repeated charges of human rights violations by Israel.

The non-aligned countries complained that Security Council president, U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering gave priority of discussions to the Persian Gulf situation and delayed U.N. action in the territories following the Oct. 8 Temple Mount riots in which at least 19 Palestinians were killed by Jerusalem police. Those countries asked for an immediate vote on their resolution.

The United States voted twice with the council to condemn the killings in Jerusalem and the Israeli rejection of a U.N. inquiry into the riots.

Pickering's presidency ends Friday and Yemen's U.N. ambassador, Abdalla Saleh Al-Ashtal, will take over for December. The council's 15 member states take turns presiding at the U.N. political body on a monthly basis.

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#90332u0225 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - In just a few hours, John Major is set to become Britain's youngest prime minister this century. The 47-year-old Major, the son of a trapeze artist, used his humble start as a selling point to succeed his mentor Margaret Thatcher. Backbiting within Thatcher's Conservative Party forced her to step down after 11-and-a-half years as prime minister. She formally tenders her resignation Wednesday to Queen Elizabeth at Buckingham Palace.

Sentiment apparently is growing in the Senate to hold off on military action against Iraq to see if continued economic sanctions work. Senate Democratic Chairman Sam Nunn of Georgia isn't endorsing a delay, but he questions the timing of a military operation. Nunn says the question is whether military action ''is wise at this time and in our own national interest.''

Meanwhile, the Washington Post reports the White House has lined up the necessary votes in the U-N Security Council to pass a resolution authorizing force against Iraq. The Post says the five permanent members of the Council appear to have agreed on the use of force. But the paper says the only

sticking point is whether the resolution should set a pullout deadline of January 1st or January 15th.

NASA has cleared the repaired shuttle Columbia for a fifth predawn launch attempt Sunday to begin a 10-day astronomy mission. Columbia had been grounded since May by crippling hydrogen fuel leaks. If all goes well, the shuttle's countdown will begin early Thursday and the crew will fly to the Kennedy Space Center from Houston late that night for final preparations for the long-delayed mission.

A California firm has taken the first step towards selling genetically engineered food. Calgene Incorporated asked the Food and Drug Administration this week to issue an advisory opinion on the use of a foreign gene in tomatoes and cotton and in rapeseed plants used to make cooking oil. The gene, which confers resistence to antibiotics, is NOT intended to have any benefical effect on the plants, but simply acts as a marker to help scientists track the effectiveness and longevity of gene insertion.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	16	6	5	37	107	67
Philadelphia	16	10	1	33	97	81
New Jersey	13	10	1	27	89	78
Washington	13	13	0	26	86	84
Pittsburgh	11	11	2	24	99	93
NY Islanders	9	14	1	19	65	89

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	13	7	4	30	76	71
Montreal	12	10	3	27	77	77
Hartford	9	10	4	22	63	72
Buffalo	8	9	6	22	73	73
Quebec	3	18	5	11	66	119

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	17	7	2	36	89	60
St. Louis	15	7	2	32	84	65
Detroit	11	10	3	25	88	93

Minnesota	5	15	6	16	67	92
Toronto	5	21	1	11	74	128
SMYTHE DIVISION						
Los Angeles	16	6	2	34	103	74
Calgary	14	9	2	30	107	81
Vancouver	11	12	2	24	76	85
Winnipeg	9	15	2	20	89	93
Edmonton	7	13	2	16	65	67

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#90332u0242 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - British Prime Minister Maragaret Thatcher becomes a private citizen in a few hours. Thatcher will formally hand in her resignation to Queen Elizabeth at Buckingham Palace. Minutes later, John Major will become Prime Minister.

Senate Democratic leaders debating U-S gulf policy have urged the White House to give economic sanctions against Iraq time to work before taking military action. Senator Edward Kennedy said ''If ever there was a case for giving peace a chance, this is it.''

A delegation of seven Kuwaiti refugees told a U-N Security Council session Tuesday that Iraq has systematically destroyed their country. They asked the United Nations to take custody of Kuwait's civil records for future litigation against Iraq.

A bankruptcy judge has granted Eastern Airlines' request for 120 Million dollars to keep the airline in business until March 31st. The 120 Million approved by Judge Burton Lifland is in addition to 15 Million approved earlier by the judge.

A federal judge has ordered the Food and Drug Administration to release safety information on silicone breast implants. The information will be given to consumer activists who claim such implants endanger women's health.

A government forecast says food prices will rise between two percent and five percent in 1991. The report suggested that food prices might return to the stable levels of the mid-1980's when annual increases rose roughly two percent or three percent.

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#90332u0245 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - The Phoenix Suns have come a long way in a week.

Last Friday, they were embarrassed at home by the New Jersey Nets, who had

broken a 34-game road losing streak two nights before. But the Suns regrouped Tuesday to score a big 123-109 road victory over the Portland Trail Blazers.

The setback knocked the Trail Blazers from the ranks of the unbeaten and ended Portland's 15-game winning streak, which dated back to the end of last season.

''Phoenix took care of that,'' Portland Coach Rick Adelman said of the streak. ''(The Suns) came in and shot the ball very well and we were a step behind all night.''

It was Phoenix's first victory in Portland in 21 tries, dating back to April 8 1983.

Tom Chambers led they way for the Suns with 28 points and Eddie Johnson added 25. Phoenix also got a big hand from its bench, which outscored Portland's subs 52-23.

The Suns turned a 35-31 lead at the end of the first quarter into a 73-55 advantage at intermission, but had to survive a furious third- quarter rally by the Blazers to gain the victory.

The Blazers scored the first nine points of the third quarter and appeared to be in control after scoring 12 unanswered points late in the period to take a 92-88 lead.

''Portland came out very aggressively in the third quarter and showed why they are such a great team,'' Phoenix Coach Cotton Fitzsimmons said.

Phoenix came right back with five free throws by Kevin Johnson just before the end of quarter to put the Suns back in front 93-92. They led the rest of the way.

''We made a great run in the third period but didn't have enough to keep it going,'' Adelman said.

''We couldn't play any better than we did in the first half and I don't think Portland could play any better than it did in the third quarter,'' Fitzsimmons said.

Portland's leading scorer, Clyde Drexler, was thrown out of the game with 3:11 remaining in the second quarter after being whistled for an unsportsmanlike elbowing foul and then a technical foul moments later. He left with 12 points and Portland trailing 67-51.

Elsewhere in the NBA Tuesday night, Detroit blew out Atlanta 120-97, Milwaukee held off Indiana 112-98, Houston stopped the LA Clippers 107- 102, Cleveland overcame New York 107-102, San Antonio defeated Seattle 124-111, New Jersey upset Philadelphia 98-92, Denver outran Orlando 124- 113, Washington nipped

Golden State 115-113 and Minnesota crowned Sacramento 89-80.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Detroit 120, Atlanta 97

At Atlanta, Bill Laimbeer scored 25 points and Mark Aguirre added 24 to lead Detroit to its eighth straight victory. The Pistons improved to 11-2, the team's best start ever. The Hawks, who have lost eight straight, were paced by Kevin Willis and Spud Webb with 16 points each.

Bucks 112, Pacers 98

At Milwaukee, Ricky Pierce scored 29 of his game-high 37 points in the second half to lift the Bucks to their fifth straight victory. Pierce pumped in seven straight in a key 9-0 spurt. Detlef Schrempf led the Pacers, who lost for the sixth straight time on the road, with 20 points.

Rockets 107, Clippers 102

At Houston, Akeem Olajuwon scored 34 points and collected 20 rebounds, and all five Rocket starters scored in double figures. The Clippers had pulled even at 85-85 with 10:17 remaining in the game, but Olajuwon scored 14 of the Rockets' final 22 points.

Cavaliers 107, Knicks 102

At New York, Craig Ehlo and Mark Price combined for nine of Cleveland's last 11 points, sending the Knicks to their third straight loss at home. The Cavaliers, who were led by Brad Daugherty's 27 points, held New York to two Gerald Wilkins' free throws over the last four minutes.

Spurs 124, Sonics 111

At Seattle, Sean Elliott scored 27 points and David Robinson added 25 to lead San Antonio. The Spurs trailed 97-95 entering the fourth quarter, but used eight points by both Robinson and Rod Strickland to run away from the Sonics. Seattle was led by by Quintin Dailey, who came off the bench to score 29.

Nets 98, Sixers 92

At East Rutherford, N.J., rookie Derrick Coleman scored 28 points and pulled down 23 rebounds to lead the Nets to their third straight victory. All five Net starters scored in double figures, but the bench produced only four points. The loss ended the Sixers four-game winning streak.

Nuggets 124, Magic 113

At Denver, Orlando Woolridge scored 12 of his 28 points in the fourth period to rally the Nuggets. Walter Davis added 22 points off the bench and Jerome Lane had 17 rebounds and 13 points for Denver. Orlando's Terry Catledge led all scorers with 30 points.

Bullets 115, Warriors 113

At Landover, Md., Bernard King scored 39 points and Harvey Grant added 22 to lead the Bullets to their first back-to-back triumphs of the season. Golden State, which has lost its last seven games on the Bullets' court, was led by Mitch Richmond's 28 points in his first action after missing five games with a thumb fracture.

Timberwolves 89, Kings 80

At Sacramento, Calif., Tyrone Corbin scored 17 points to lift Minnesota. The Kings failed to win at home for the fifth time in five outings, falling to 1-11 this season. Wayman Tisdale paced Sacramento with 19 points.

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#90332u0285 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I brings the latest news, next.

Margaret Thatcher resigns today as Britain's prime minister after running the country for more than 11 years. Thatcher formally hands in her resignation to Queen Elizabeth at Buckingham Palace... turning the country over to her protege John Major. The 47- year-old Chancellor of the Exchequer becomes Britain's youngest prime minister this century.

The Bush administration continues to press its case in the United Nations for a Security Council resolution authorizing the use of military force against Iraq if necessary. But Senate Democratic leaders debating U-S policy in the Persian Gulf are calling on the administration to give economic sanctions time to work.

Administration officials reportedly have the votes they need among Security Council members to pass a resolution Thursday authorizing military action. But Massachusetts Senator Edward Kennedy says Congress should do all it can to stop a war before it starts. Says Kennedy- ''If ever there was a case for giving peace a chance, this is it.''

China's foreign minister left Beijing today on a sanctions-busting visit to the United States. The Chinese official strongly hinted to reporters at Capital Airport that China will abstain from voting on the U-N resolution. But he indicated he aims to drive a hard bargain in exchange for China's pro-Washington stance,

The Senate Ethics Committee heard more testimony from a crucial witness in the case against five senators, the so-called Keating Five. Edwin Gray, the former chief federal savings and loan regulator said he felt ''awkward and pressured'' during a 1987 meeting with four of the senators, but he said ''personal dignity'' prevented him from protesting his treatment.

Los Angeles police say one of the members of the pop music duo Milli Vanilli was arrested for sexual battery yesterday. Police say Rob Pilatus was arrested at his home in the exclusive Bel-Air section of Los Angeles... and released after posting bond. Milli Vanilli was stripped of its Grammy for best new artist after admitting they lip-synched all their songs.

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#90332u0337 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (NOV. 28) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has canceled a planned visit to Oslo, Norway, for the presentation of his Nobel Peace Prize, the official Tass news agency said Wednesday.

Tass quoted the Soviet president's press office as saying plans to attend the the Dec. 10 presentation were changed because of the ''crucial situation in the country and the president's preoccupation with affairs that occupy his constant attention.''

Gorbachev, awarded the Peace Prize for his reforms that allowed the end of the Cold War and the flourishing of democratic movements in Eastern Europe, has been criticized at home for devoting too much time to foreign affairs and overseas trips while the Soviet Union suffers serious shortages and domestic problems.

''It is hoped in Moscow that the Nobel committee will understand the reason for this postponement and agree to present the prize at a later date,'' Tass said.

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#90332u0338 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (NOV. 28) UPI - U.S. military experts, bolstered by promises of better Vietnamese cooperation, began their 12th joint search Wednesday for evidence of what happened to the 1,676 American servicemen missing in Vietnam, a U.S. embassy spokesman said.

''Two teams of U.S. technical experts have already arrived in Vietnam to work with their Vietnamese counterparts in an effort to resolve the fates of Americans missing or otherwise unaccounted for in Vietnam,'' said U.S. embassy spokesman James Williams.

He said the search was the 12th joint effort undertaken by U.S. and Vietnamese teams and the first since Vietnamese Foreign Minister met U. S. officials in Washington to promise greater cooperation on the issue.

''It is hoped that the results achieved will reflect the increased cooperation pledged by the Vietnamese government during those talks,'' Williams said.

The U.S. team includes experts from the military's Joint Casualty Resolution Center and the Army Central Identification Laboratory in Hawaii, he said.

The search, expected to take 15-20 days, will cover areas of at least six provinces in northern and central Vietnam.

A total of 2,294 Americans still missing in action from the war, including 1,676 men missing in Vietnam or in Vietnamese waters.

Vietnam returned the remains of 10 people believed to be missing American servicemen on Nov. 20 and those remains are now undergoing analysis at the Army Laboratory in Hawaii, Williams said.

Vietnam and the United States have improved relations in the past year, holding talks on the conflict in Cambodia and missing Americans.

The U.S. government has said the main obstacle to renewed diplomatic ties and an end to the U.S. economic embargo against Vietnam is the continuing conflict in Cambodia.

Officials, however, have also tied the pace of improved relations to Vietnamese cooperation on the MIAs.

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#90332u0342 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

HONG KONG (NOV. 28) UPI - Plans to repatriate boat people under a new program for Vietnamese who did not volunteer but did not object to returning to Hanoi were postponed Wednesday after more than 75 percent of the first group dropped out, officials said.

''The final number of persons in the new category of non-objectors ready to return to Vietnam Dec. 1 ... is not large enough to warrant a separate charter flight,'' the United Nations High Commissionor For Refugees said in a statement.

''It has therefore been decided to schedule a flight 48 hours later . .. to permit the UNHCR to include a number of persons in the voluntary repatriation program on the flight.''

The UNCHR had earlier given Hanoi a list of 111 boat people who it had

identified for the new ''acquiescent non-volunteer'' category, which aims to speed up the removal of about 54,000 refugees from Hong Kong's camps.

But less than 48 hours before the group was to board a chartered Hanoi-bound jet, the number of returnees had dwindled to 25.

The new category, which came out of an agreement between the UNHCR, Britain and Hanoi, was billed as a critical step in solving Hong Kong's boat people problem and the government in the British colony had pressed for the flight to go ahead dispite the low numbers.

Officials have defended the new scheme, comparing it to a program for boat people volunteering to return to Hanoi, which drew only 73 Vietnamese for its first flight in March 1989 but has since returned more than 5,700.

Only those boat people classified by Hong Kong as political refugees are eligible for resettlement in third countries.

The rest - an estimated 90 percent of the colony's Vietnamese - are deemed economic migrants and face continued life in the camps or a return to Hanoi.

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#90332u0351 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (NOV. 28) UPI - Khmer Rouge guerrilla forces routed troops of the Vietnamese-backed Cambodian government in two battles, the guerrilla radio reported Wednesday.

The radio said its troops faced government forces including 1,200 Vietnamese soldiers who attempted to attack Khmer Rouge-held areas near the Thai border on Sunday.

''Our national resistance forces killed 50 of these Vietnamese enemy soldiers, with 12 bodies left on the battlefield, and wounded 20 others, '' it said.

In a separate battle nine days earlier in Kompong Som province near the country's main deep water port, the radio said 200 government troops were advancing on a guerrilla-held area.

''They were ambushed and routed by our national resistance forces,'' the report said.

It said 20 government troops were killed and 30 wounded in the battle near the southern coast.

The accounts could not be confirmed and analysts in Bangkok have said such Khmer Rouge reports are often exaggerated.

Earlier Phnom Penh radio reported that four more party and government officials have been punished for corruption - part of a drive to restore popular faith in the honesty of the Vietnamese-installed regime.

It said the corrupt officials included a vice chairman of a provincial people's committee, a local secretary of the communist party, an agriculture official in charge of warehouses, and a district education official.

The corrupt officials have been sacked and will have to repay up to $1,200 in embezzled funds, the radio said.

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#90332u0364 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - Britain gets a new prime minister... the Senate debates Persian Gulf policy... and President Bush is back home.

Senate Democratic leaders debating U-S policy in the Persian Gulf are urging the Bush administration to give peace a chance.

With the administration pressing its case in the United Nations for an option to use military force against Iraq, some Senate members say the White House should give the economic sanctions imposed against Iraq more time to work.

Massachusetts Senator Edward Kennedy said yesterday- ''If ever there was a case for giving peace a chance, this is it.'' Kennedy says Congress should do all it can to stop the war before it starts.

Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman Sam Nunn of Georgia says military action is justified to force Iraq from Kuwait. But Nunn questions whether it's ''wise at this time and in our national interest. ''

Democrats John Glenn of Ohio and Carl Levin of Michigan echoed similar sentiments.

Glenn says the embargo hasn't been on long enough to prove that it will work. And Levin says it's America's determination to make the embargo work over a long period that is more likely to impress Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Meanwhile, there's word that administration officials have the necessary votes lined up among U-N Security Council members to pass a resolution Thursday authorizing military action if Iraqi troops don't leave Kuwait on their own.

The five permanent members of the Council- the United States, Britain, France, China and the Soviet Union- reportedly have agreed on the use of force... but the sticking point is whether the resolution should set a pullout deadline of January 1st or January 15th.

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#90332u0376 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 28) UPI - President Bush returned to Washington late yesterday after wrapping up a two-day summit with Mexico's president with more talk about reaching a landmark free trade agreement between the two nations.

Bush and Carlos Salinas de Gortari met earlier yesterday for the second of a pair of one- on-one meetings to discuss the accord that would lift tariffs and quotas.

They also asked American and Mexican businessmen for help in calming fears of some U-S lawmakers and union leaders that such a pact- along with Mexico's rock-bottom salaries- could lead to lost jobs and reduced wages in the United States.

Formal negotiations on the treaty are to begin next year. The White House has expressed hope that they can have a treaty in place by 1992.

Bush and Salinas attended a state luncheon at the governor's palace in Monterrey, an industrial metropolis that has been compared to Detroit. Bush saluted Salinas as a ''man who has raised Mexican-U-S relations to a new level.''

Salinas said the trade agreement ''will unleash powerful energies in both our economies.''

The visit to Mexico was Bush's first as president.

The U-S Postal Service has exposed a multi-Million-dollar mail fraud scheme.

Federal authorities say two postal employees and a Hollywood, Florida, company have agreed to enter guilty pleas for their part in the seven-point-five-Million-dollar mail fraud case.

U-S Attorney Dexter Lehtinen told a news conference in Miami- ''This is the largest case of its kind for the Postal Service in its history.''

Postal officials say 15-year veteran Richard Waesco and 12-year veteran Ronnie Ragins allegedly accepted kickbacks for allowing Atlas Pen and Pencil Corporation to mail its goods in bulk for about half of the required postage.

Officials say the two workers- ''received a payment in return for simply undercounting or overlooking false postal forms that listed the wrong amount of mail.''

Lehtinen says the two allowed Atlas to mail as many as two Million pieces of mail a month at cut-rate prices in return for payments ranging from 100

dollars to 400 dollars a month.

Officials say the pair accepted a total of more than 100-thousand dollars from Atlas and other companies.

The two were charged with one count of conspiracy to defraud and one count of bribery. They each face a maximum of 20 years in prison and a 500-thousand-dollar fine.

Atlas and its director Robert Schneider were each charged with conspiracy to defraud. The family-owned firm has agreed to pay back the seven-point-five Million dollars in back postage, but still faces 15- Million in fines. Schneider faces a maximum five years in prison.

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#90332u0382 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - One half of the scandal-rocked pop duo Milli Vanilli is out on bail after being arrested by Los Angeles police for sexual battery.

Sergent David Rossi says 26-year-old Rob Pilatus was arrested early yesterday morning at his home in L-A's exclusive Bel-Air section. He was later released after posting 10-thousanddollar bond.

Depending on the specifics of the crime, sexual battery can be prosecuted either as a felony or a misdemeanor. Rossi says detectives will ask the District Attorney's Office to file felony charges against Pilatus. That would carry a maximum four-year jail term upon conviction.

Rossi says the victim was a 25-year-old woman. The musician's neighbor told a Santa Monica newspaper she saw police escorting Pilatus and a young, blond woman from his house early yesterday.

Pilatus and Fab Morvan were stripped of the Grammy award last week after it was announced by their manager that the pair had not sung on their album. The L-P... ''Girl You Know It's True''... sold seven- Million copies and led to the duo's award as the best new group of 1989.

N-F-L Commissioner Paul Tagliabue has fined the New England Patriots and three players a total of 72-thousand-500 dollars for the sexual harassment of sportswriter Lisa Olsen.

The September 17th incident in the team's locker room was described by Tagliabue as ''distasteful'' and ''damaging to the league.'' The fines were levied following an investigation headed by special counsel Philip Heymann of Harvard Law School.

Tight end Zeke Mowatt... cited by Olson as the instigator of the incident...

was fined 12-thousand-500 dollars. Wide receiver Michael Timpson and fullback Robert Perryman, who now plays for the Dallas Cowboys, each were fined five-thousand bucks.

The Patriots' management was fined 25-thousand. In addition, the management was assessed an additional 25-thousand-dollar penalty to defray the cost of preparing instructional materials for all N-F-L personnel on responsible dealings with the media.

In a statement, owner Victor Kiam said the Patriots ''regret that the incident occurred.''

The 26-year-old Olson... who has been reassigned to the N-B-A Celtics and N-H-L Bruins... thanked Tagliabue and the special counsel ''for their thorough and revealing investigative report.''

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#90332u0473 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - John Major becomes Prime Minister of Britain today. He takes over the helm from Margaret Thatcher today after Thatcher formally presents her resignation to the Queen. Major was elected by members of his Conservative Party yesterday.

China's foreign minister lelft Beijing today for the United States. Foreign Minister Qian Qichen strongly hinted to reporters that China would abstain from voting on the U-N Security Council resolution authorizing force against Iraq, helping to secure its passage.

During a hearing yestereday, Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman Sam Nunn said there is justification for military action to force Iraq from Kuwait, but he asked whether it was ''wise at this time and in our national interest.''

A NASA report says the space agency and the company that built the Hubble Space Telescope share the blame for failing to detect the flaw that crippled the instrument's powers. The report said workers at the Perkin-Elmer Corporation had at least three major chances to find the defect.

One of the members of the scandalized rock group Milli Vanilli is free on almost 10-thousand 500-dollars bond after being arrested on sexual battery charges yesterday. Police say the victim was a 25-year- old woman.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

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Buffalo sh	72	62	....
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Hartford sy	48	44	....
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Houston pc	80	60	.30
Indianapolis cy	70	43	1.12
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Kansas City sy	52	22	.03
Las Vegas sy	50	30	....
Little Rock sy	73	35	.92
Los Angeles sy	67	50	....
Louisville sh	77	57	.40
Memphis pc	79	47	1.13
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Milwaukee w	67	32	1.20
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Orlando pc	82	70	.20
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Salt Lake City pc	35	29	....
San Antonio sy	84	53	....
San Diego sy	66	46	....
San Francisco sy	58	46	....
San Juan sh	87	75	.34
Seattle cy	48	38	....
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Tampa pc	86	73	.05
Washington pc	67	55	....
Wichita pc	67	22	.01

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cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90332u0541 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - John Major is about to become the youngest British prime minister since 1834. Major will be sworn in one day after his Conservative Party elected him leader. Margaret Thatcher has given Queen Elizabeth her resignation, ending her 11-year term as prime minister today. Major supported Thatcher until she bowed to pressure to resign.

Thatcher will remain in Parliament, where she represents the north London constituency of Finchley. But it is uncertain whether she will want to remain in the House of Commons after the next election. There is speculation that Thatcher could become the duchess of Dulwich, the south London area where she

moves this week. She could also make Millions by writing her memoirs.

Before leaving China for the U-S today, Foreign Minister Qian Qichen strongly indicated that China will help chances of the U-N Security Council resolution authorizing force against Iraq. Qian hinted to reporters that China will abstain from voting on the resolution, an act that will help secure its passage. But Qian indicated that he will drive a hard bargain in exchange for China's pro-Washington stance.

Police in Dhaka, Bangladesh, fired tear gas and used bamboo sticks today to disperse about five-thousand university students who chanted anti-government slogans and demanded an end to the rule of President Hussein Muhammad Ershad. In other parts of the Bangladesh capital, protestors clashed with police who opened fire at one location. Witnesses say three demonstrators wer wounded.

The repaired space shuttle Columbia was cleared yesterday for a scheduled launch Sunday to begin a 10-day astronomy mission. Columbia has been grounded since May by crippling hydrogen fuel leaks. After reviewing the status of launch processing, NASA managers said Columbia was finally ready for take-off on the 38th shuttle mission.

The U-S Peace Corps returned to Panama after a 19-year absence when U-S Ambassador Deane Hinton yesterday swore in six volunteers. The Peace Corps returned at the request of the Panamanian government. The number of volunteers in Panama will increase to 42 by the end of 1991. They will assist Panamanians in agricultural projects, environmental protection, small business development and other areas.

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#90332u0572 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

SINGAPORE (NOV. 28) UPI - Goh Chok Tong was sworn in Wednesday as Singapore's second prime minister in 31 years, heralding a new era with the affable politician aiming for a gentler, caring nation instead of one marked by iron-fisted control.

The inauguration was the culmination of the longstanding plan of outgoing Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew to transfer the leadership to a hand-picked, second-generation team headed by Goh, who had served as Lee's first deputy prime minister, and close his tenure as the world's longest-serving democratically elected head of government.

Goh, 49, educated in the United States, was inaugurated 14 years after he was first elected to Parliament. Since then he has held the defense, finance, health and trade and industry portfolios.

First to be sworn in among Goh's Cabinet was Lee, 67, who was named senior minister, a position enabling him to provide advice and speak up if Goh

blunders.

Stressing that the power switch he mastermined is not knocking him out of the political arena, Lee also will continue to lead the ruling People's Action Party (PAP), which holds 80 of the 81 seats in Parliament.

Next named to the Cabinet was Lee Hsien-Loong, the former prime minister's 38-year-old son, who remains trade and industry minister in addition to his new status as one of two deputy prime ministers.

All 13 Cabinet members are holdovers from Lee's administration in what Goh and Lee describe as necessary continuity.

While Goh acknowledges that the younger Lee is a potential prime minister, he has denied that he is serving as a ''seat warmer'' and stressed that he, not Lee Kuan Yew, will be in charge.

Goh, also retaining his previous post as defense minister, plans to retain the prime ministership for at least eight years by winning the next election in 1993.

Lee is credited with transforming a sleepy island into one of the world's busiest ports and a major financial hub, but his critics describe him as autocratic and ruthless in his repression of dissent. As for Lee's policies of stringent restrictions on the foreign press and incarcerating suspected subversives without trials, Goh indicated there will be no radical change.

Goh's style is more mellow, and his genial and even-tempered disposition are a sharp contrast to Lee's single-minded determination to repress dissent. The tall, tanned and bespectacled man who ran a shipping line before entering politics epitomizes the hard-working Singaporean.

He proclaims to be aiming for a freer country and intends to encourage a more participatory democracy.

But analysts noted that it will be difficult for Goh to act without Lee's approval. ''No one in the Cabinet can really stand up to him,'' one official said.

Opposition politicians also doubted that the transition would bring meaningful change.

Noting that Goh is ''not as arrogant, belicose and intimidating'' as his predecessor,'' Lee Siew Choh said, ''If he brings about glasnost, openness and true democracy, and wins an election fairly, we will give ''nd wins an elec

But Lee Siew Choh, a non-voting member of Parliament, said he was convinced Goh would only serve as a ''seat warmer'' for the former prime minister's son.

J.B. Jeyaretnam, leader of the Workers Party and an outspoken critic, predicted that Goh will be a ''lame duck'' regardless of his aspirations.

''With Goh at the head of the table during a Cabinet meeting, the elder Lee to his right and the younger Lee to his left, what chance will he have of implementing his own policies?'' Jeyaretnam asked.

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#90332u0577 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - There's a Major change in the British government today.

After Margaret Thatcher went to Buckinham Palace to hand in her resignation today, John Major was sworn in as prime minister.

Thatcher told reporters gathered outside her official residence ''It has been a tremendous privilege to serve this country as prime minister. ''

Major takes charge of a badly divided party that he pledged to unify.

Shortly after being elected by members of the Conservative Party yesterday, Major said ''Our job now is quite clear. We are going to unite, unite totally and absolutely and go on to win the next election.''

Major actually fell two votes short of the 187 he needed to win outright on a second-round ballot of Conservative members of Parliament, but his two opponents conceded defeat and urged that he be made party leader and prime minister.

Michael Heseltine, who was responsible for Thatcher's demisse, received 131 votes and Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd got 56. Major had 185.

Opposition Labor Party leader Neil Kinnock called Major ''a no-change prime minister'' and repeated a call for an early general election, which must be held by mid-1992.

As chancellor of the exchequer, Major has had overall responsibility for the British budget and economy.

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#90332u0583 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - The nation's total output of goods and services increased a revised 1.7 percent in the third quarter while orders for durable goods jumped 3.6 percent in October, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

The latest gross national product rise of $18 billion was weaker than a

preliminary estimate released last month, and the surge in durable goods orders - the best since May - offset a drop of 1.6 percent in September, according to a pair of government reports.

Economists expected a 1.9 percent gain in the real GNP for July, August and September following a 1.8 percent advance in the previous quarter, and no change from September to October for durable goods - expensive items from aircraft to household appliances manufactured to last three or more years.

The data were adjusted for seasonal factors.

The approximately $4.5 billion increase in October durable goods was attributed mainly to an increase in demand for commercial aircraft, as the world's airlines placed more orders to replace their older and less fuel efficient jet fleets.

But ''since reaching a high in December 1988 of $132.1 billion, (total) orders have been unstable, fluctuating around a monthly average of $125.9 billion,'' the government said.

The October total was about $129.45 billion.

Not counting transportation equipment, durable goods orders were down 0.4 percent in October. Excluding defense hardware, orders were up 4.5 percent last month.

Exports - including aircraft, chemicals and and scientific equipment - have been a bright spot for the durable goods and GNP data for most of the year. For example, exports of goods and services advanced 4.3 percent over the previous quarter in the latest GNP report.

A final real GNP estimate will be released by the Commerce Department in December. Two or more consecutive quarters of negative numbers indicate the nation is in recession.

In the second quarter - April, May and June - the real GNP inched up 0.4 percent. Analysts anticipate a significant drop in economic activity when the fourth-quarter results are released early next year.

The government also reported Wednesday that after-tax corporate profits increased a surprising 6.7 percent - to an annual rate of about $177.2 billion - in the third quarter after edging down 0.6 percent in the second quarter.

Weak corporate profits have cut into government revenue and added to the widening federal budget deficit. Private economists expected after- tax profits would total only $166 billion in the third quarter.

The fixed weight price index, a measure of inflation tied to the GNP report,

was up 4.2 percent in the third quarter vs. up 3.9 percent in the second quarter. Another index that tracks only domestic prices increased 5.1 percent after gaining 2.9 percent.

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#90332u0588 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (NOV. 28) UPI - Cambodian resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk met Wednesday with ambasssadors from Southeast Asian nations as part of his effort to persuade his country's four warring factions to begin peace talks in Paris, diplomatic sources said.

Sihanouk, who arrived in the French capital last week, met with the ambassadors from Thailand, Indonesia, Singapore, Malaysia, the Philippines and Brunei to discuss the Cambodian peace process.

The prince, who earlier this year stepped down as head of one of the warring factions, met with the ambassadors a day after Soviet Foreign Affairs Vice Minister Igor Rogatchev criticized his efforts to persuade the four factions to meet in Paris Sunday.

Rogatchev said the four factions should first be brought together under the auspices of the International Conference on Cambodia headed by France and Indonesia.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas has said Paris was ready to convene such a conference ''at the earliest possible moment'' if the ''final disagreements between Cambodians can be overcome.''

The five permanent members of the U.N Security Council agreed over the weekend on a cease-fire and transitional U.N. administration as steps towards ending the 12-year old war, but the plan must be accepted by the four Cambodian factions.

The factions disagree over the the structure of the Supreme National Council that would rule the country until elections can be held.

The five permanent U.N. members - the United States, France, England, the Soviet Union and China - met with representatives from the U.N. and Indonesia, which is co-chairman of the 20-nation Paris Conference on Cambodia that would guarantee the agreement.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - The nation's total output of goods and services increased a revised 1.7 percent in the third quarter.

The latest gross national product rise of $18 billion was weaker than a preliminary estimate released last month, and the surge in durable goods orders - the best since May - offset a drop of 1.6 percent in September, according to a pair of government reports.

Economists expected a 1.9 percent gain in the real GNP for July, August and September following a 1.8 percent advance in the previous quarter, and no change from September to October for durable goods - expensive items from aircraft to household appliances manufactured to last three or more years.

The data were adjusted for seasonal factors.

A final real GNP estimate will be released by the Commerce Department in December. Two or more consecutive quarters of negative numbers indicate the nation is in recession.

In the second quarter - April, May and June - the real GNP inched up 0.4 percent. Analysts anticipate a significant drop in economic activity when the fourth-quarter results are released early next year.

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#90332u0596 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 28) UPI - Mitsubishi Electric Corp. of Japan Wednesday reported increased consolidated profits sales for the six months ended Sept. 30.

MELCO said net income increased 18.0 percent over a year ago to $304.3 million while sales jumped 7.0 percent to $10.249 billion.

The company said overseas sales, including exports, gained 2.0 percent to $2.4 billion, accounting for 22.0 percent of the total sales, down from 23.0 percent a year ago.

The company said sales of industrial products and automation equipment grew 4.0 percent to $2.11 billion while those of information and communication systems and electronics devices were up 2.0 percent to $3.44 billion.

Sales of consumer and other products surged 18.0 percent to $3.33 billion, the company said.

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#90332u0616 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 28) UPI - The worldwide business slowdown is creeping into Japan where major corporations will report a drop in profits this year after several years of continuous growth, according to a newspaper survey Wednesday.

The economic journal Nihon Keizai Shimbun said its survey showed that major Japanese companies are expected to report a substantial decrease in profits for the fiscal year ending March 31.

The report followed a government warning that the world economy is expected to worsen in the coming years, dealing a blow to developing nations suffering from the heavy external debt burden.

The government's Economic Planning Agency said in a report on the world economy released Tuesday that the worldwide slowdown has already begun, bringing down the annual growth rate from 4.1 percent in 1988 to 3.0 percent in 1989 and to an estimated 2.0 percent in 1990.

The government warned the worsening situation will be magnified by the outbreak of war in the Gulf region or by a failure of the ongoing multinational negotiations for freer world trade.

Nihon Keizai said its prediction of a slowdown in Japan was based on a survey of major corporations which are listed on domestic stock exchanges.

The journal said 1,038 companies, excluding financial institutions, which have released their business results for the half-year ended Sept. 30 showed that their total pre-tax profits declined 0.7 percent from a year ago to $31.61 billion) on sales of $1.079 trillion, up 9.2 percent.

Their profits for the year ending next March 31 are expected to fall 2.6 percent to $65.8 billion on sales totaling $2.23 trillion, up 3.9 percent, the journal said.

The report said 1,177 companies, including banks, securities and insurance firms, posted a 19.8 percent fall in half-year pre-tax profits at $44.6 billion on sales totaling $1.325 trillion, up 12.3 percent.

Their sales growth rate is expected to shrink to 6.2 percent at an estimated $2.735 trillion for the year ending next March 31, producing pre-tax profits of $95.1 billion, down 13.5 percent, the journal said.

The report cited rising interest rates and crude oil prices as a result of the

Gulf crisis and the stock market slump as major adverse factors.

''The survey showed that Japan's economy, which has continued to expand against the background of brisk corporate capital spending and consumer expenditures, now stands at a cross-roads,'' the journal said.

The Economic Planning Agency said the domestic key indicator for future business performance plunged below the critical ''boom or bust'' 50 percent level in September for the first time in seven months.

Agency officials described the fall as temporary but added they are not optimistic about the future course of the Japanese economy.

A private credit research agency said business failures in October made an upturn for the first time in 69 months to hit a monthly high of this year.

Tokyo Shoko Research Co. said bankruptcies in the month totaled 646, up 9.7 percent over a year ago and up 21.7 percent over the previous month, with liabilities totaling $1.155 billion, up 48.2 percent over a year ago and up 64.6 percent over the previous month.

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#90332u0662 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 28) UPI - Toshiba Corp. of Japan said Wednesday it will market three new high-speed notebook-sized computers and a new laptop computer with an advanced color display in December and March, respectively.

The company said the notebook-sized models offer three times the processing speed of their predecessors currently on the market.

Toshiba said each model has a fluorescent sidelit display, which displays graphics with brilliance three times that of current electric luminescent display. In all three models, random access memory can be expanded.

The laptop features a thin film liquid crystal display which is able to display 16 colors from a palette of 4,096 colors, the company said.

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City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberden cy	1pm	43	06
Amstrdm cy	1pm	41	05
Ankara c	3pm	40	04

Athens c	2pm	72	22
Auckland c	12m	61	16
Beijing fy	8pm	41	05
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin cy	1pm	42	06
Bonn cy	1pm	41	05
Brussels cy	1pm	38	03
Cairo c	2pm	77	25
Casblnc pc	12n	63	17
Copnhgn pc	1pm	40	04
Dakar c	12n	79	26
Dublin c	1pm	47	08
Geneva cy	1pm	41	05
Helsinki cy	2pm	31	00
Hong Kng c	8pm	69	21
Jeruslm pc	2pm	67	19
Karachi cy	5pm	83	28
Lisbon c	1pm	55	13
London pc	1pm	45	07
Madrid c	1pm	45	07
Malta c	1pm	66	19
Manila pc	8pm	83	28
Moscow r	3pm	38	03
Nairobi pc	3pm	76	24
Nassau pc	7am	77	25
New Delh c	6pm	68	20
Nice ts	1pm	53	12
Oslo cy	1pm	27	-02
Paris cy	1pm	40	04
Pretoria pc	2pm	85	29
Riyadh m	3pm	82	27
Rome pc	1pm	58	14
Seoul c	9pm	53	11
Sofia c	2pm	58	14
Stockholm pc	1pm	32	00
Sydney c	10pm	72	22
Taipei r	8pm	65	18
Tokyo r	9pm	55	12
Tunis c	1pm	63	17
Vienna dr	1pm	42	05
Warsaw cy	1pm	39	03

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	73	23
Caracas dr	8am	68	20
Havana c	7am	74	23
Lima cy	7am	65	18
Mexico City hz	6am	61	16

Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	78	25
Santiago c	8am	61	16

Canada

Calgary c	29	-01
Edmonton c	25	-04
Montreal pc	42	05
Ottawa c	52	11
Regina cy	10	-12
Toronto cy	67	19
Vancouver r	44	06
Winnipeg c	10	-12

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90332u0708 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for November 27: Purchases of 340,576 shares and sales of 678,859 shares including 79,900 shares sold short.

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#90332u0711 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 28) UPI - Asian farmers joined forces Wednesday to indicate their firm stance against weakening existing bans on the rice imports.

With GATT talks on world trade liberalization set to climax Dec. 3-7 in Brussels, Belgium, farmers' associations from Japan, South Korea and Taiwan issued a joint statement calling on the trade body to let them keep their bans on rice imports.

''GATT agreements should clearly authorize efforts of countries to secure domestic self-sufficiency,'' the statement said in part. The term has come to

refer to a ban on imports of staple foods such as rice.

The three countries currently ban virtually all rice imports, and Japan has argued for keeping its ban under a ''food security'' exemption it wants in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Tuesday, a Foreign Ministry spokesman reaffirmed that position, saying that Japan would be willing to discuss its position on rice only if other countries would put their most vital issues on the table.

During the five-year Uruguay Round of GATT negotiations, the United States has pressed for an end to all such bans.

The U.S. has asked that member countries convert such barriers into tariffs, which would them be gradually reduced over 10 years.

The concept was flatly rejected by the farmers' associations.

''The people of Korea, Taiwan and Japan have in history chosen ... rice as the crop most appropriate for the Asian monsoon season to feed many people. ... Therefore, every country should be guaranteed to decide its own agricultural policy,'' the statement said.

Speaking at a press conference following release of the statement, Mitsugu Horiuchi, the president of Japan's Central Union of Agricultural Cooperatives, said the U.S. proposal would devastate his members, most of whom work small, inefficient plots.

''If there is 100 percent liberalization, surely Japan's farmers will not be able to survive far into the future,'' Horiuchi said. ''This is not in the interest of the people living in the country.

''That is why we insist on complete self-sufficiency (in rice).''

Horiuchi said his organization planned to hold a rally in Tokyo against rice imports Thursday.

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#90332u0730 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 28) UPI - The Sunday Correspondent has ceased publication and gone into liquidation, hit by falling circulation and continued losses from an advertising slump, management said.

Chief Executive Nick Shott gave the 200 staffers of the Correspondent, which has been in business just over a year, an hour to clear their desks late Tuesday, after telling them the newspaper had ceased trading.

A last-ditch attempt to merge with Today, a daily owned by Australian-born media magnate Rupert Murdoch's News International, had fallen through because the Correspondent had failed to find a buyer for 51 percent of a restructured company, Shott said.

Circulation that fell to 130,000 earlier this year forced the Correspondent to relaunch in tabloid format Sept. 30, and to introduce sales gimmicks such as giving free copies in return for vouchers in advertisements in other papers.

The changearound included a new editor, John Bryant, and a $5.1 million refinancing deal.

Last Sunday's sales of 209,000 reportedly cost $1.33 each to produce against a cover price of 25 cents.

The Correspondent's launch Sept. 17, 1989 came just as Britain hit a slump in advertising, and was soured further by The Independent's inauguration of a Sunday newspaper in January, which sells about 320,000 copies a week.

The Correspondent was the first new British Sunday broadsheet since the Sunday Telegraph started publication 29 years ago.

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#90332u0740 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - Margaret Thatcher is a former British prime minister today after she left office and John Major took over. Queen Elizabeth has invited Major to form a new government. Thatcher and her husband, Denis, went to their retirement home in Dulwich, in southeast London.

China's foreign minister says he expects the U-S to end its ban on high-level exchanges with Chinese officials after China abstains from voting on a U-N Security Council resolution authorizing force against Iraq. An abstention would be seen as supporting the U-S position, since it would NOT block the resolution.

Maylasia is NOT letting on how it will vote tomorrow on a U-N Security Council resolution authorizing force against Iraq. After a cabinet meeting today, Malaysia's defense minister said a position was adopted, but it will be up to the prime minister to make an announcement.

The official Islamic Republic News Agency says a special emissary of Soviet Leader Mikhail Gorbachev arrived in Tehran today with a message for Iranian President Hashemi-Rafsanjani on the Gulf crisis. The report said the Soviet deputy foreing minister ''described his visit as extraordinary and a special mission.''

A government source in Beirut says U-S Ambassador to Lebanon Ryan Crocker is

expected to present his credentials to the Lebanese government tomorrow. The U-S Embassy in Lebanon was closed in September 1989, following repeated anti-American demonstrations and an attack on a U-S helicopter.

A newspaper survey published in Tokyo says the worldwide business slowdown is creeping into Japan. A leading economic journal said its survey showed that major Japanese companies are expected to report a substantial decrease in profits for the fiscal year ending March 31st.

Police in Paris report a five-Million dollar art theft. They say a truck driver transporting Old Master paintings took a break at a cafe, leaving the ignition keys on the dashboard, and thieves drove off with the truck. A total of 50 canvases by Flemish, Dutch and French masters were in the truck.

In what could be a precedent-setting case, a federal judge has ruled that a Philadelphia law firm sexually discriminated against a female associate when it denied her a partnership. U-S District Judge James McGirr Kelly ruled that Wolf Block Schorr and Solis-Cohen discriminated against Nancy Ezold solely because of her sex.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $385.30, silver base of $4.11 and platinum price of $429.90:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$401.20	400.00
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	205.80	205.20
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.70	105.40
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.70	43.50
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	401.20	400.00
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	205.80	205.20
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.70	105.90
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.70	43.50
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	407.60	406.50
China Panda .50 troy oz.	210.00	209.40
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.90	108.60
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.00	46.90
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.10	28.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	401.20	400.10
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	210.00	204.50
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	108.90	103.30
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.60	44.00
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	400.20	398.20
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	207.10	206.10
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.30	105.80

Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.20	45.00
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	400.00	398.10
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	205.70	204.70
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.20	87.80
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.90	45.50
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.20	24.20
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.52	$5.52
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,160	$3,160
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,325	$1,325
Platinum		
Australian Koala	446.00	438.00
Isle of Man Noble	443.00	435.00
Canada Maple Leaf	455.00	446.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90332u0813 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

PROVIDENCE, RI (NOV. 28) UPI - A Roman Catholic priest once accused of lying to help socialite Claus von Bulow beat attempted-murder charges denied Wednesday he stole $200,000 from his parish to support a lavish lifestyle.

The Rev. Philip Magaldi, head of St. Anthony's parish in North Providence from 1976 to 1988 before moving to Texas, appeared before Superior Court Judge Thomas Needham. He pleaded innocent to 11 counts charging him with embezzlement, larceny and forgery, and was freed on $50,000 personal recognizance.

''I would like to say more than simply that I am not guilty of the charges, but my attorney has advised me not to make any comments at the present time,'' Magaldi told reporters outside the Providence courthouse.

''I know a lot of pople think that when you say 'no comment' that you're guilty. I hope that people who have known me for the past 27 years in the parishes where I have served know that a 'no comment' is not necessarily an admission of guilt,'' he said.

The priest was indicted on Nov. 8 following a two-year investigation. Attorney General James O'Neil said the probe revealed Magaldi skimmed money from the

weekly collections at St. Anthony's and embezzled from ''various parish funds.''

Magaldi, 54, allegedly used the money to buy lottery tickets and take vacations to such destinations as the Virgin Islands and Montreal.

Several years ago, he gained notoriety when he gave a sworn statement to support von Bulow, a Danish jetsetter who was acquitted after a second trial on charges he twice tried to kill his wife, Martha ''Sunny'' von Bulow, in their Newport mansion. Magaldi was indicted in 1985 on charges he lied in the statement, but the charges were dropped two years later for lack of evidence.

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence announced in May 1988 that Magaldi had resigned from St. Anthony's because of ''accounting errors.'' It said he was taking a leave of absence to study Spanish in San Antonio, Texas.

Prosecutors said Magaldi was now pastor of St. Mary's Church in Henrietta, Texas, but was not involved in allocating or depositing funds there.

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#90332u0815 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - China's foreign minister Wednesday virtually assured that Beijing would tacitly support a U.S.-backed U.N. resolution authorizing military force against the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait, and Iraq renewed its call for a dialogue with Washington on the eve of the U.N. vote.

In Washington, Senate hearings resumed Tuesday on the U.S. shift from a defensive to an offensive stance in the Persian Gulf region.

Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen strongly hinted to reporters in Beijing before flying to the United States that China would abstain from voting on the U.N. Security Council resolution rather than veto it.

Washington would prefer China's support when the Security Council foreign ministers vote Thursday but an abstention would not scuttle the resolution.

Qian denied reports that China had given private assurances it would vote in favor of the plan. When asked if China would not vote in favor of the resolution, he replied, ''I think it is like that,'' but asked if Beijing would veto the resolution, he said, ''I didn't say so.''

Qian nevertheless refused to be explicit about an abstension. ''I think you will know after the vote,'' he told reporters.

He also indicated that he will drive a hard bargain in exchange for the abstention, saying he sees his visit as ending a U.S. ban on high- level exchanges with Chinese officials imposed after Beijing crushed the Tiananmen

Square democracy movement in June 1989.

Earlier reports said all five permanent members of the Security Council - the United States, Britain, France, China and the Soviet Union - have agreed on the use of force with the only hurdle being whether the resolution set a pullout deadline of Jan. 1 or Jan. 15.

Baghdad Radio, meanwhile, quoted Iraq's first deputy premier, Taha Yassin Ramadan, as saying, ''The U.S. president is leading the world toward a military confrontation and he should enter into a dialogue (with Iraq) to prevent a catastrophe.''

Previous Iraqi calls for dialogue have been rejected, with the Bush administration saying such talks could not be held until Iraq withdraws from Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2 and soon annexed.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's second in command, Izzat Ibrahim, vice president of the ruling Revolutionary Command Council, echoed Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, who said Tuesday that Iraq would ''never succumb to any pressure,'' and that Iraq's position on Kuwait would remain unchanged.

The influential Iraqi newspaper Al Thawra, meanwhile, reiterated that any resolution by the Security Council sanctioning military action ''would not force Iraq to relinquish its historical right,'' a reference to Saddam's insistance that Kuwait historically is part of Iraq.

The newspaper, which speaks for the ruling Baath Socialist Party in Iraq, added that any U.N. resolution sanctioning force to drive Iraq from Kuwait ''will only damage the credibility and reputation of the United Nations.''

Echoing that stance was former Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega, who said Wednesday in Amman before embarking on a second visit to Baghdad that such a resolution would violate ''the spirit of the U.N. charter.''

Ortega, leader of Nicaragua's opposition party, the Sandinista Liberation Front, said he hoped that ''all members of the Security Council will remain open to the possibility of initiatives favoring dialogue toward a peaceful solution to the gulf crisis.''

In Washington, the Senate Armed Services Committee heard Wednesday from retired Navy Adm. William Crowe and retired Air Force Gen. David Jones, both former chairmen of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

On Tuesday, Senate Democrats urged caution in the Senate Armed Services Committee hearings. Committee's Chairman Sam Nunn, D-Ga., said there was justification for military action to force Iraq from Kuwait, but asked whether it was ''wise at this time and in our national interest.''

Meanwhile, 70 Italians left Baghdad for home Wednesday. Saddam had ordered their release in response to an appeal Saturday from visiting Greek Catholic Archbishop of Jerusalem Helarion Cappuchi.

An Italian Embassy spokesman in Baghdad said the release left almost 200 Italians still in Iraqi custody. He said the rest were expected to leave as soon as their exit visas and other documents are issued.

Late Tuesday, Saddam ordered the release of an unspecified number of U.S. hostages in response to an appeal from former heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali, who met with Saddam and told the Iraqi leader that 8 million American Moslems support Iraq.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 28) UPI - Gulf States Utilities Co. has discussed possible mergers with both Houston Lighting & Power Co. and Central & South West Corp. of Dallas, an official of the financially troubled utility said.

GSU Chief Financial Officer Joseph Donnelly discussed the talks Tuesday while testifying before the Public Service Commission in Baton Rouge, La.

Beaumont-based GSU serves more than 500,000 customers in a two-state area stretching from near New Orleans to near Austin. The utility is seeking a rate increase of about $30 million in Louisiana.

Donnelly later said GSU is not involved in ongoing merger talks with the larger utility companies, and declined to say whether GSU is seriously seeking a merger.

Spokesmen for both HL&P and Central & South West declined comment on possible merger discussions.

Industry analysts said a merger of GSU and one of the Texas utilities would make sense, particularly a merger with Central & South West, which has made it known it wants to buy other utilities. The company held previous merger talks with GSU in the late 1980s.

''GSU has had so many problems, I would think they would be receptive to get over some of the torment they've been facing,'' said Herbert Jones, an analyst with Eppler, Guerin & Turner in Dallas.

GSU stock, with a book value of nearly $18 a share, or a total of more than $1.8 billion, was trading Wednesday at $9.50, up 25 cents.

Investors are worried about the stock because of litigation involving $4 billion in cost overruns on construction of the River Bend nuclear power plant

in Louisiana, said Bert Kramer, a PaineWebber analyst in New York.

GSU may be sold for less than book value, he said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 71.50-72.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 118.63-123.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 37.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $192.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $423.00-$430.00; dealer-approx. , $424.50-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 283.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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#90332u0876 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
COLUMBUS, Ohio (NOV. 28) UPI - Ohio State University President E. Gordon Gee says football coach John Cooper will not be evaluated for a possible contract extension until after next season.

Gee had indicated last week that an extension for Cooper's contract might come at the end of this season, and Cooper said Monday he would like an extension.

Gee, however, said Tuesday the time to consider an extension will be after next season when Cooper will have completed four years of his five-year contract.

''Clearly, the issue will come up at this time next year,'' Gee said. ''At this point, there are certainly no plans (for a contract extension) this year.''

Cooper, 19-13-2 and without a Big Ten title in his first three years at Ohio State, said Monday not receiving a contract extension now would make him ''nervous.''

''He certainly shouldn't be nervous,'' Gee said. ''I think I need to call coach Cooper in, put my arm around him, look in the mirror and say, 'Don't be nervous.'

''He has two years left on his contract,'' Gee said. ''We're looking forward to an excellent year next year. I expect John Cooper to be with us for a very, very long period of time.''

Gee is in his first year as the Ohio State president after leaving Colorado, where he gave football coach Bill McCartney a 15-year contract.

''John has two years left,'' Gee said. ''Bill was renewed at the end of the fourth year of a five-year contract. That's the time you really start talking about a contract extension.

''There's always an asterisk. The athletic director could come in and make a recommendation, but I surmise that will not be the case.''

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#90332u0891 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
DOVER (NOV. 28) UPI - The Delaware Lottery will join the multi-state Lotto America game in January, lottery officials said Wednesday.

Lottery Director Otho Brown said the game, already played in 15 states and the District of Columbia, will raise state sales because of its larger jackpots.

''Our research shows that the larger jackpots in neighboring states attract many Delawareans who go out of the state to play those games,'' Brown said. ''It is clear to us that many players want the Delaware Lottery to offer a bigger jackpot game.''

Lotto America is not currently offered in the states which surround Delaware, Brown said.

Tickets for the Wednesday and Saturday night Lotto America drawings will go on sale in Delaware in mid-January.

Profits from ticket sales of Delaware's Lotto America game will stay in the state. The lottery last fiscal year contributed more than $25 million to the state general fund.

Lotto America is already played in Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Washington, D.C.

Brown said the Delaware Lottery will continue its current 6-36 Lotto game.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - Barbara Bush is bowing out of the president's five-nation Latin American swing next week because of a low grade sinus infection, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater announced Wednesday.

Fitzwater said that the Bush's daughter, Dorothy, will substitute for her mother on the trip, which will include several events hosted by the wives of the presidents of the countries visited, and attendance at state dinners.

Anna Perez, the first lady's press secretary, said Mrs. Bush, who has been on a non-stop travel schedule with the president over the last two weeks, has a sinus infection that is aggravated by air travel.

Perez said the first lady is taking antibiotics for the infection.

President Bush is scheduled to leave Washington Sunday evening and travel to Brazil, Uruguay, Argentina, Chile and Venezuela, returning to the White House on Dec. 8.

The first lady just returned from a two-day trip to Monterrey, Mexico, with the president, which immediately followed an 8-day journey to Europe and the Middle East.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan Wednesday blamed much of the current economic slump in the United States on rising oil prices and threats of war stemming from the Persian Gulf crisis.

"A significant part of the weakness we're looking at is Persian Gulf-related," Greenspan told the House Banking Committee. "We had evidence that in the third quarter, while there was some economic softening, (the economy) was still chugging along." But that changed following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2, Greenspan said.

Greenspan said the threat of war in the Persian Gulf, rising oil prices and credit tightening by banks throughout the United States have combined to create a "meaningful downturn" in U.S. economic output. Although he declined to determine whether the economy is in recession, he conceded "there is no question the economy is still easing."

"What we're looking at is a gradual decline, one that if it persists will give us a fourth quarter that is negative," he said. "The question of whether this is the beginning of a recession is clearly a forecast. We won't know if this is a recession or an abberation of economic activity for quite a while."

Greenspan told the panel that economic data indicates the economy to be in better shape than most people think. "The world out there, when you look at the hard data, is not in as bad a shape as it feels," he said. "We're not seeing at this stage a whole set of negative data."

Greenspan's remarks followed reports of a revised 1.7 percent rise in the U.S. gross national product and a 3.6 percent jump in orders for durable goods.

"If the economy was as bad at this point as a number of my friends and your friends tell us, we should see weaker numbers than we have," Greenspan said. "There's got to be a mistake in the durable goods numbers we've seen."

Turning back to the Persian Gulf crisis, Greenspan said rising oil prices are slowing U.S. economic growth and the threat of war has cast a cloud of uncertainty over consumer confidence.

When asked whether the United States should fight in the Persian Gulf to protect jobs, Greenspan said "that's not an inappropriate view." "If Saddam Hussein has the capability of turning the (oil) faucet on or off, he can have a very significant impact on world industrial output."

Sanctions blocking the purchase of oil from Iraq and Kuwait has removed 4.3 million barrels a day from the market, or ten percent of global oil production.

This loss has been fully replaced by other oil-producing nations, chiefly Saudi Arabia, Greenspan said, adding that the level of oil stocks last week

was roughly the same as one year ago and about six percent more than the minimum required to prevent operating problems and shortages.

The Fed chairman declined to say how the Persian Gulf crisis is affecting thinking toward monetary policy. Since the invasion, the Fed has lowered its federal funds rate in response to indications of a weaker economy.

"Whether further adjustments to policy will be needed cannot be spelled out in advance and will depend on the specifics of the circumstances as they develop " he said.

"In the final analysis, I can only offer the assurance that the Federal Reserve will seek, as we have in the past, to foster economic stability and sustainable growth."

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(NOV. 28) UPI - Britain's Queen Elizabeth formally invited John Major to form a new government and serve as her prime minister. Elevation of the 47-year-old one-time welfare recipient to head of government ends the reign of Margaret Thatcher as the longest-serving British prime minister this century. Major woN'T have far to move as he takes over the government. He was living just one door away, at Number 11 Downing Street, while serving as chancellor of the exchequer.

Earlier today, Thatcher formally left Number 10 Downing Street and handed her resignation to the queen during a 30-minute meeting at nearby Buckingham Palace. Major's first task is to sort out a new Cabinet and patch up any political wounds within his Conservative Party. He becomes the youngest prime minister of Great Britain since Robert Peel took the post in 1834 at age 46.

While Britain undergoes a changing of the political guard, so goes Singapore. Goh Chok Tong was sworn in today as the bustling island nation's second prime minister in 31 years. Today's inauguration of Goh is the culmination of the longstanding plan by outgoing Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew to transfer the leadership to a hand-picked, second- generation team. The 49-year-old Goh is U-S educated and has been Sinapore's minister of defense, finance, health and industry during the past 14 years. Lee will stay on as a senior adviser.

The Commerce Department is taking seasonal factors into consideration as it issues the official revision to earlier third-quarter gross national product figures. The government lowered the figure slightly to show an increase of one-point-seven percent in the total output of goods and services. Economists had expected a one-point-nine percent increase.

A separate report shows that after-tax corporate profits were up by an UNexpected six-point-seven percent in the July-to-September period after

falling six-tenths of one percent in the second quarter. Weak corporate profits cut into government revenues, adding to an already growing federal budget deficit.

Iraq again is calling for talks with Washington to avoid a Persian Gulf war. It is a stand the Bush administration has rejected in the past with its own demand that Iraq get out of Kuwait first. This comes as the U-N Security Council prepares for a debate tomorrow on a resolution that would sanction the use of force to end the crisis.

Taking care of business at home will keep Soviet President Gorbachev from traveling to Norway as planned to pick up his Nobel Peace Prize. The Soviet news agency Tass quotes Gorbachev's spokesman as saying ''the crucial situation'' in the Soviet Union is one of the reason's the Kremlin chief changed his plans to attend the ceremony on December 10th. Gorbachev was awarded the Peace Prize for reforms that allowed democracy to grow in Eastern Europe. But he has been criticized for devoting too much time to foreign affairs and overseas trips while his constituents cope with food shortages and other domestic problems.

Sources in Tucson, Arizona, say actor Gary Coleman is hospitalized under an assumed name for treatment of a long-time kidney condition. The 22-year-old former star of the T-V sitcom ''Diff'rent Strokes'' already had received two kidney transplants.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - NASA and the company that built the Hubble Space Telescope share the blame for failing to detect the flaw that crippled the instrument's powers, a NASA report concluded.

Workers at the Perkin-Elmer Corp. in Danbury, Conn., had at least three major chances to find the defect before the telescope was placed into orbit in April but the employees wrongly dismissed the signs, the report said Tuesday.

In addition, employees in Perkin-Elmer's optical division failed to bring the signs of trouble to the attention of top company officials or anyone at NASA, said Lew Allen, who led a team that investigated the embarrassing flaw for NASA and issued the report.

However, NASA also must accept responsibility because the agency was in charge of the project and oversaw the work, Allen said.

''Perkin-Elmer should have not have allowed a situation for those inhibited communications to exist. NASA had every right to expect that Perkin-Elmer would have done a better job than this,'' Allen said at a news conference.

''On the other hand, it is fundamentally NASA's responsibility as the government agency to get this done. NASA should have been aware of what was happening at Perkin-Elmer,'' he said. ''I think you have to say each ... has to bear responsibility.''

Sen. Al Gore, D.-Tenn., who held hearings to investigate the telescope's defect, said the report ''makes crystal clear'' the need for NASA to ''continue its efforts to strengthen testing and quality control efforts.''

Lennard Fisk, NASA's associate administrator for the Office of Space Science and Applications, said it was ''premature'' to say whether the agency would take action against Perkin-Elmer, which is now called Hughes Danbury Optical Systems Inc.

In a statement issued Wednesday, Hughes Danbury said company officials ''concur in general with'' the report's ''technical findings'' and were ''distressed'' by the telescope's problem.

''We nonetheless are proud of our broader role on the Hubble Space Telescope program'' and ''will continue to support NASA in recovering the full Hubble capabilities,'' the statement said.

Fisk acknowledged the mistakes that led to both the 1986 explosion of the space shuttle Challenger accident and Hubble defect had some similarities. But Fisk noted Hubble's problem occurred 10 years ago and the agency had taken many steps since then to avoid such mistakes.

''Considerable effort has been made to promote communication,'' he said.

Allen noted that his panel checked whether similar problems exist with another NASA project underway at Hughes Danbury and found that improvements had been made.

Although the telescope can do valuable research despite its flaw, NASA plans to correct the defect in 1993 by installing a modified camera on board. The repair will cost between $40 million and $50 million, Fisk said.

The long-awaited $1.5 billion telescope was expected to revolutionize astronomy by being able to study the universe in greater detail than ever before through its advanced optical system and perch 381 miles above Earth.

But about two months after the instrument was placed into orbit, NASA was shocked to discover the telescope's supposedly perfect primary mirror was misshapen, preventing the telescope from bringing starlight into sharp focus.

An embarrassed NASA formed the six-member panel to investigate the defect headed by Allen, director of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif.

The panel discovered the problem apparently was caused when a Perkin-Elmer worker incorrectly set a device called a reflective null corrector, which was used to measure the mirror while it was being precisely ground.

Employees had indications there was a problem when they had to install washers in the device to compensate for the faulty setting, and twice more when tests with other instruments, called refractive and inverse null correctors, indicated the mirror was shaped wrong.

But the warning signs were ignored because the reflective null corrector was considered the most accurate of the three testing devices, the panel found.

''The Perkin-Elmer plan for fabricating the primary mirror placed complete reliance on the reflective null corrector as the only test to be used in both manufacturing and verifying the mirror's surface with the required precision. NASA understood and accepted this plan,'' the report said. ''This methodology should have alerted NASA management to the fragility of the process and possibility of gross error.''

In addition, Perkin-Elmer tended to operated like a ''closed shop'' in which NASA overseers were not allowed to actually watch employees work, Allen said.

The report also cited pressures over cost and time that deflected attention from the mirror's construction.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - Here are key provisions of the five-year farm policy law, which will freeze subsidy rates, reduce the number of acres eligible for subsidies, expand environmental protections and renew public food programs:

CROP FLEXIBILITY

As part of spending cuts, allows "triple base" plan, which would reduce by 15 percent the wheat, feed grain, cotton and rice acreage eligible for support payments. Farmers could plant virtually any crop, excluding fruit and vegetables, on the land. Wheat, feed grains, cotton, rice and oil seeds grown on the land would be eligible for government loans.

A voluntary ten percent "planting flexibility" program also is offered. Rules on allowable crops are similar to triple base but limits may be applied to soybean planting.

TARGET PRICES

Frozen at this year's levels: $4 a bushel for wheat, $2.75 for corn, $2.25 for

barley, $1.45 for oats, 72.9 cents a pound for cotton and $10.71 per 100 pounds of rice.

LOAN RATES

Slightly increases rates for wheat and feed grains by calculating loans on basis of 85 percent of average market price for preceding five years. Agriculture Department unilaterally could reduce rates by 20 percent.

Creates marketing loan for soybeans and other oilseeds. Soybean rate is $5.02 a bushel with rates for minor oilseeds, such as canola, sunflowers, flax and safflower, set at proportional amounts.

Cotton and rice marketing loans are retained. Minimum rate for cotton is 50 cents a pound and for rice $6.50 per 100 pounds. Maximum reduction of five percent a year is allowed.

DAIRY

Support price is set at minimum of $10.10 per 100 pounds of milk, the current rate. Agriculture Department is required to report by Aug. 1 on ways to control production if burdensome surpluses develop.

If Congress does not act by Jan. 1, 1992, and surpluses would exceed seven billion pounds, government can assess a fee to cover the cost of buying surpluses that exceed seven billion pounds. Dairy farmers also face assessments as part of deficit-cutting package.

SUGAR

Support price frozen at 18 cents a pound for raw sugar. Imported sugar is guaranteed at least 1.25 million tons of sales; marketing quotas will be put on domestic beet and cane sugar if needed to assure it. As part of spending cuts, a 1 percent fee will be charged on crop loans.

OTHER COMMODITIES

Peanut, honey, wool and mohair support programs are reauthorized. As part of deficit-cutting package, producers face assessments on loans or deductions from payments.

PAYMENT LIMITS

Reduces to $250,000 the maximum amount farmers can receive in government payments, either directly or through affiliated businesses, compared to limit that effectively was $500,000.

New set of rules includes $50,000 limit on crop subsidies and $75,000 limit on

receipts from marketing loans, loan deficiency payments and so-called Findley payment made when prices are particularly low.

Payments under the wool, honey and mohair programs would be racheted down form $200,000 in 1991 to $125,000 by 1994.

PUBLIC NUTRITION

Food stamp program is reauthorized but with simpler rules and additional penalties for fraud and misuse of coupons. Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program and Commodity Supplemental Food Program also are reauthorized for five years.

An attempt to expand the food stamp program by $5 billion in honor of the late Rep. Mickey Leland, D-Texas, was dropped due to lack of money.

CONSERVATION

Expands list of benefits that can be lost by farmers who violate conservation compliance rules, which require farmers to control erosion, or who violate "sodbuster" rule by putting fragile land in crop production.

Strengthens the "swampbuster" rules against converting wetlands to crop production. In limited cases, allows farmers to eliminate "nuisance" spots if they restore wetland of at least the same size.

Extends the Conservation Reserve Program for five more years, with enrollment set at a minimum of 40 million acres. List of eligible land is broadened.

ENVIRONMENTAL SAFEGUARDS

A voluntary Wetland Reserve is created that would preserve up to one million acres through purchase of long-term conservation easements. A Water Quality Incentive Program is established to help farmers develop plans and change production techniques to prevent contamination of water supplies. Farmers could receive up to $3,500 a year for five years in cost-share assistance. Goal is 10 million acres.

For first time, certified pesticide applicators, including farmers, will be required to keep records on use of restricted-use pesticides. Information would be available to health and government workers but confidentiality of individual records would be protected.

ORGANIC FOOD

First-ever set of nationwide rules on what can be called organic food is established. In general, producers would have to go three years without use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides to qualify for "organically grown" seal.

FOOD FOR PEACE

Program is reorganized to allow donation of food in non-emergency situations, in addition to past use of concessional sales and famine relief. Forgiveness of debts allowed in some instances.

EXPORT PROMOTION

Export Enhancement Program, the major U.S. export subsidy program, is reauthorized at a minimum of $500 million a year, with new efforts to aid high-value exports.

Targeted Export Assistance Program is renamed as Market Promotion Program with activities targeted on markets where unfair trade practices exist. Funding is a minimum of $200 million a year. Export credit guarantees set at a minimum of $5.5 billion a year.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Conn Natural Gas	Q	.35	12-21	12-7
Security Bncp	Q	.25	1-2	12-17
Usual				
CalMat Co	Q	.16	1-3	12-7
Comerica Inc	Q	.65	1-2	12-14
Crack Barrel Old	Q	.01 1/4	1-2	12-14
Crowley Miner&Co	Q	.12 1/2	1-25	1-11
EMC Insurance Grp	Q	.13	12-20	12-6
Edison Bros Strs	Q	.26	1-10	12-20
Farmer Brothers	Q	.35	2-4	1-18
Fuqua Industries	Q	.09	1-2	12-12
Ipalco Enterp	Q	.45	1-15	12-12
Kansas Gas & Elec	Q	.43	12-31	12-10
Maine Publ Svc	Q	.42	1-1	12-14
McRae Indus	Q	.08	12-28	12-10
Merck & Co	Q	.56	1-2	12-7
PHH Corp	Q	.30	1-31	1-11
Provident Bkshrs	Q	.10	12-31	12-15

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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MIAMI (NOV. 28) UPI - A judge lifted an order barring Cable News Network from playing jailhouse recordings of Manuel Noriega's phone calls after lawyers for the deposed dictator argued Wednesday that any potential damage had already been done.

Defense attorney Frank Rubino said he saw a transcript of the recordings for the first time Tuesday. Only one of the seven tapes contained privileged conversations between Noriega and his defense team and CNN had already broadcast that one, he said.

''We had no idea what the rest contained,'' Rubino said. ''We never objected to any tape that was not an attorney-client tape. The damage is done. Why close the barn door? The horse is out.''

Two weeks ago, Rubino asked U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler to bar CNN from playing the tapes, saying it could prevent Noriega from getting a fair trial.

Hoeveler did so and the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the order. But Rubino dropped his objection to the tapes Wednesday after reviewing the transcripts. Hoeveler then lifted the restraining order, freeing CNN to play the tapes.

Asked how much damage had been done, Rubino said that would be for the judge and a jury to determine.

CNN attorney Steven Korn said the ruling vindicated the Atlanta network.

''No prior restraint was ever appropriate. No prior restraint is appropriate now,'' Korn said.

The ruling still sets an important legal precedent. It was the first time the Supreme Court had barred a news organization from broadcasting information in its possession.

But CNN played a portion of the tapes after Hoeveler's order and Rubino said he still would ask Hoeveler to hold the network in contempt of court for violating the order. No hearing was scheduled on that issue.

Rubino said he would also seek to have the charges against Noriega dropped because of government misconduct.

''We had to put out fires. Now, we're going after the pyromaniacs that started the fire,'' Rubino siad.

He acknowledged that Noriega knew his calls were being recorded at the Metropolitan Correctional Center, where he has been awaiting trial for nearly a year.

But Rubino said the U.S. government had no right to distribute the recordings to the Panamanian government, which Rubino contends leaked the tapes to CNN.

The Panamanian government has filed a $6.5 billion civil racketeering suit against Noriega, claiming he looted the nation's treasury and moved the assets to Europe from banks in Hong Kong, Israel, Singapore, Australia and Brazil.

An attorney for the Panamanian government said the taped calls prove Noriega is moving vast sums of money around the world.

Asked if the allegations are true, Rubino quipped, ''I hope it's true and I hope it moves to my bank account.''

He and Noriega's other lawyers have asked to withdraw from the case because they have not been paid. Rubino has accused the U.S. government of deliberately freezing Noriega's bank accounts to prevent him from obtaining adequate legal representation.

Hoeveler has given the government until Friday to report on how much of Noriega's frozen money could have come from drug profits and other illegal sources.

Noriega is charged with marijuana smuggling and providing a drug- trafficking and money laundering sanctuary for South American drug smugglers. His trial is scheduled to begin in January, but likely will be postponed.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Americans will spend $37 billion on Christmas gifts this year, about 4 percent less than the 1989 holiday season, The Conference Board said Wednesday.

The typical American family was expected to spend about $325 on Christmas gifts in 1990, down from $335 last year, the private business research organization said.

Holiday spending was expected to drop in three of the nation's four major regions. Median family spending in the Northeast was expected to drop the sharpest, 7 percent to $357. Spending in the Midwest was expected to drop 5 percent to $315, and spending in the South was expected to drop 3 percent to $311.

The West, including Rocky Mountain and Pacific coast states, was expected to be the only region to hold steady. The spending projection was unchanged at $315.

''Holiday joy is being tempered by continuing fears about the Middle East

crisis and pending Federal tax increases,'' said Fabian Linden, executive director of the board's Consumer Research Center.

''The economy has been sluggish for months now and consumer confidence is considerably lower than it was last year at this time.

''Still, it may very well be that when all the Christmas lights are lit and the carols are being sung, the gift-giving spirit will be stronger than suggested in the current survey. One bright spot is this year's holiday shopping season is slightly longer than last year's,'' he said.

The survey covering 5,000 families was conducted during the first two weeks of November by National Family Opinion Inc., of Toledo, Ohio.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - Farmers are gaining an often-stated goal - more freedom to decide which crops to grow - but it comes with the price of a smaller federal safety net under the farm policy law signed Wednesday by President Bush.

Approved by Congress last month, the law constitutes a new step by the government to help farmers earn more money on their own, rather than relying on subsidies. The first step was the 1985 farm law, which had the goal of bolstering U.S. farm exports.

''In fact, this is the most environmentally progressive farm bill ever,'' Bush said during a brief ceremony called to mark the signing of the bill.

''It's a market-oriented bill ... keeps our farmers competitive. It lets farmers make more of their decisions based on the market (rather than) the traditional farm program straitjacket.''

In addition to revising the farm program, the legislation sets the terms for food aid, export promotion, agricultural research and public feeding programs for the next five years.

It also offers significant steps to preserve wetlands, including creation of a Wetlands Reserve of up to 1 million acres, and protect water supplies from contamination by farm chemicals by encouraging farmers to change production methods and helping defray the cost of the changes. The first nationwide rules on what can be called organic food also are part of the new law.

The White House estimates the cost of the law at $170 billion over five years. Much of the spending is contingent on congressional funding, which could determine the law's environmental legacy.

Nonetheless, the law is likely to be best-known for its major changes in the farm program. It works hand in hand with the $500 billion deficit-reduction law to reduce projected farm subsidy spending over the next five years by 25 percent, or about $13 billion, to about $41 billion.

Most of the reductions would be achieved through use of the so-called triple base plan, which makes 15 percent of the wheat, feed grains, cotton and rice land ineligible for subsidies but would allow farmers to grow other crops on the land.

The idea is to let farmers look for money-making alternatives to the current mixture of crops. Triple base will be accompanied by a 10 percent ''planting flexibility'' program that is voluntary but has the same basic rules and goals.

Triple base is an untested idea but Congress preferred it to the prospect of any further cuts in crop subsidy rates. The so-called target prices were cut 10 percent under the 1985 farm law. They will be frozen at 1990 levels under the new farm bill.

Farmers generally have expressed pleasure at the outcome of the 1985 law - at $78 billion, the most expensive farm bill ever - but have complained they were locked into growing the same crops by rigid government rules.

Proponents have described the new farm bill as the best package possible in a time of budgetary constraints.

However, Sen. Tom Daschle, D-S.D., has called it ''a slow economic death sentence for the nation's small family farmers'' and Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D., argued lower government spending will translate directly into lower farm income.

Some analysts say triple base is a bold step toward greater reliance on the free market, but may have little value to farmers in regions, such as the Great Plains, where the climate provides few crop choices.

The farm bill is projected to lead to a slight decline in corn acreage, modest increases in soybean and cotton acreage and little change in wheat acreage. Soybean acreage is most likely to rise in the Midwest and drop in the South, where yields are lower.

There are about 2.14 million farms in the United States. Farm numbers fell 11 percent during the 1980s.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

San Diego - Added pitchers Candy Sierra and John Costello, third baseman Tom Reddington and outfielder Mike Humphreys to the major league roster.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Telephone ''party line'' operators hired employees to pose as callers who tried to prolong conversations, increasing the cost to consumers, state officials said Wednesday.

Employees were instructed to engage in ''elaborate charades, including assuming different personalities and disguising their voices, all in an attempt to keep callers on the line and increase company revenues,'' said state Attorney General Robert Abrams.

Several former employees went to the attorney general's office in early 1988 to report the scam.

Abrams said two operators and their five companies were fined $25,000 and agreed to provide full refunds or billing credits for consumers who called the ''party lines'' between September 1987 and August 1989.

The settlement was reached in lieu of filing criminal charges against the operators, identified as A. Joel Eisenberg and Betsy Superfon, both now of Seattle, Wash.

One young woman, who asked not to be identified, said Wednesday that in the three months she worked as a ''monitor'' for a party line operating out of Patchogue, Long Island, she was told to listen in on conversations and do whatever she could ''to keep people on the phone as long as we could.''

Monitors had a red light on their phones that told them how many minutes callers had been on the line, and pay raises were based on how long the

monitors could prolong conversations, said the former employee.

''We could be pretty creative,'' she said. ''We would sometimes blurt something outrageous out just to keep them talking and listening.''

She added, ''I'm glad people are getting their money back. It's pretty pathetic to do that to people.''

The company opened the ''party lines,'' in which up to eight people pay as little as 10 cents a minute to engage in joint conversations, on the 212, 718, and 516 area codes in 1987, and expanded to the southern 914 area code the following year, the attorney general said.

The operators agreed to make full refunds for consumers who were billed by New York Telephone for calls made to any of the party lines from September 1987 until August 1989, when the practice ended, Abrams said.

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ROCKFORD, IL (NOV. 28) UPI - Motorists who had to navigate a minefield of scrap metal that fell from a truck flooded police switchboards Wednesday to complain about flat tires.

Rockford police said more than 80 calls about ruined tires were logged by midmorning and motorists also were complaining to state officials and the Loves Park Police Department.

Loves Park Police Chief Darryl Lindberg said a tractor-trailer truck apparently left S&S Cartage Co. in Loves Park shortly after 4:30 a.m. without a completely secured tailgate.

''Every time he hit a bump, pieces of scrap metal spilled out,'' Lindberg said. ''We're not talking about giant bars - those people could have swerved around - we're talking about little jagged metal casting and stamping scraps.''

Lindberg said the truck driver will be cited for failing to secure his load.

The driver was en route to a scrap company in Havana and Lindberg said he expects angry complaints to be filed by motorists all along the route.

''We put an attempt to locate out right away but so far, no one's spotted the truck yet,'' he said.

S&S has also notified its insurance company to expect a barrage of claims.

The small metal scraps virtually shut down Alpine Road, one of Rockford's main thoroughfares, while street crews cleaned up the mess, said Lt. Rich Gambini

of the Rockford Police Department Traffic Division.

''We're advising motorists to come down to the department and pick up a mail-in traffic accident form,'' Gambini said.

Authorities reported business was brisk at service stations along the trucks' route.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - In Washington, Senate hearings continue on the Bush administration's policy in the Persian Gulf. Senate Democrats yesterday urged a cautious approach to the crisis. And today they heard testimony from Retired Navy Admiral William Crowe and Retired Air Force General David Jones, former chairmen, of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Jones told lawmakers, that from a purely military standpoint, ''the more power we have over there, the better off we are.''

The Iraqi government continues to manipulate the number of foreign hostages it says it holds. Baghdad says it has authorized release of 70 Italians, leaving another 200 Italians still in custody. And Saddam Hussein has ordered release of an UNspecified number of U-S hostages following an appeal by former heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali.

The farm bill that President Bush signs into law today is designed to help farmers earn more money on their own. The measure runs for the next five years and is expected to freeze subsidy rates while reducing the number of acres eligible for subsidies. At the same time, it will expand environmental protections and keep public food programs going. There are two-point-one-Million farms in the United States, a number that was cut 11 percent during the 1980's.

A federal judge in Miami today lifted a restraining that barred Cable News Network from playing jailhouse recordings of Manuel Noriega's telephone conversations. Attorneys for the deposed Panamanian leader, who is awaiting trial in Miami on drug charges, say they heard the tapes yesterday and only one section contains conversations between Noriega and his defense team. Chief Noriega lawyer Frank Rubino says that since C-N-N already broadcast that tape, the restraining order was useless.

Denver officials are counting up the damages following a spectacular fire at Denver International Airport that consumed an estimated two- Million gallons of jet aviation fuel. The airport is the nation's seventh busiest and the tank farm helps fuel many of its 12-hundred daily flights. It took firefighters some 53 hours to bring the blaze under control using a combination of water, fire-retardant form and dry powder.

The nation's oldest chartered press club is closing. A bankruptcy trustee overseeing the Pittsburgh Press Club says he'll close it for good this Friday because it canNOT make payroll or retain its workmen's compensation insurance. The club still has 850 members. A farewell bash is set for Friday night.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 28) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Wednesday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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OMAHA (NOV. 28) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 300; slaughter steers and heifers in narrow price test fully 50 centslower. Slaughter cows and bulls not established. Slaughter steers select to mostly choice 2-4 1,150-1,250 lbs. 81.00-81.50; select, few 1,000-1, 175 lbs. 76.00-78.00, slaughter heifers package select and choice 2-3 1,069 lbs. 80.50. Hogs 2, 100; barrows and gilts steady. U.S. 1-3 220- 260 lbs. 50.00-51.00; U.S.2-3 250-290 lbs. 47.50- 49.50; 290-307 lbs. 45.50-46.50. Sows weights under 500 lbs. firm to 50 cents higher, over 500 lbs. 2.00 to 3.00 lower. U.S. 1-3 all weights 43.25 to mostly 43.50. Boars 300-700 lbs. 40.50.

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SPRINGFIELD, IL (NOV. 28) UPI - Gov. James R. Thompson has added another plaque to his trophy room in the State Capitol but the newest one - from a historical group - has a minor flaw.

The National Park Service and the Abraham Lincoln Home National Historic Site honored the outgoing governor on Tuesday for his work in support of historic projects in Illinois during his 14 years in office.

The bronze and wood plaque thanks Thompson for the rededication of the home but the date of that ceremony is incorrect. The plaque said the rededication was June 16, 1989, even though it actually happened one year earlier.

Both the National Park Service staff and aides to Thompson had approved the plaque and the error was not noticed until it was too late to reschedule the presentation.

Larry Blake, head of interpretive services at the home, said the mistake will be corrected before the plaque is placed on permanent display at the home's visitor's center.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Retailer R.H. Macy & Co., suffering the effects of a weakening economy and a heavy debt load, had its first-quarter net loss double to $66 million, the Wall Street Journal said Wednesday.

The loss for the quarter ended Oct. 31 accompanied a 9.5 percent decline in sales to $1.55 billion from $1.71 billion a year earlier, said a report in the Journal, which cited a confidential memo to potential equity investors.

Macy's representatives were not immediately available to comment.

The department store chain did not disclose its operating profit on earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization for the quarter, but analysts have been expecting Macy's to report a drop in operating profit to about $165 million, compared with $207 million in the year-earlier quarter.

Macy's, which underwent a leveraged buyout in 1986 and carries about $5 billion of debt on its books, operates some 150 stores. The comapny paid $1.1 billion in 1988 to acquire the Bullock's and I. Magnin chains.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - The chairman of Berkshire Hathaway announced Wednesday the Omaha, Neb., company, through its World Book Inc. subsidiary, was making an unprecedented $25 million investment for the production of low-income housing.

Berkshire Hathaway Chairman Warren Buffett, shunning the term philanthropy, told reporters the $25 million - which will pay for about 750 housing units nationwide - should be considered ''an investment with a pro-social outcome.''

The incentive for the investment is the Low Income Housing Tax Credit law, approved by Congress as part of the 1986 Tax Reform Act and just extended in the new budget bill. Buffett said his company will realize tax credits incrementally over the next 10 years that could net his company $8 million after taxes. Housing developed as a result of the investment must remain for low-income people for 15 years.

The announcement was made just hours before President Bush signed into law the Affordable Housing Act, intended to encourage the private sector to join the government in developing housing for low-income people.

Berkshire Hathaway will invest the $25 million in the National Equity Fund, which was founded in 1987 by the Local Initiatives Support Corp. to provide an investment vehicle to channel corporate dollars into community revitalization. Corporations invest in the fund as limited partners in return for tax credits and standard real estate deductions.

Buffett said he considered it ''illogical'' that other corporations don't take more advantage of the tax credit law.

''I don't understand exactly why companies make investments of just $1 million '' he said. ''I hope we'll encourage other corporatons to look hard at this and (realize) it's a perfectly sensible investment.''

He did note, however, the risks involved in depending on the tax credit law.

''The risks would be if the rules of the game were changed by Congress or if the local community development groups stray,'' he said, adding he did not think either scenario was likely.

The investment was termed unprecedented because of the amount of the contribution by a single corporation for the intended purpose of building new - and rehabilitating older - housing for low-income persons.

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BUDAPEST, HUNGARY (NOV. 28) UPI - Hungary's Finance Minister Ferenc Rabar plans to resign because of disagreements over finance policy with the leader of the cabinet economic secretariat, it was reported Wednesday.

A report in the Vilaggazdasag daily newspaper quoted Rabar as saying he will quit regardless of whether Gyorgy Matolcsy, the head of the cabinet economic secretariat, remained in government.

Rabar's intentions came as the 1991 budget bill was to be presented to the legislature and appeared based on factional friction within the government over how the ailing economy should be cured and who should manage it.

Rabar has called for widespread liberalization to stimulate investment and enterprise among the business community. The finance minister gave no date for his resignation but Prime Minister Jozsef Antall told the legislature Tuesday he would announce changes in his government within a month.

That announcement seemed to respond to public demand. Since gasoline price hikes led to nationwide protests a month ago, opposition parties have urged Antall to change his economic policies and bring new blood into the government.

The antagonism between Rabar and Matolcsy came to a head Wednesday when the prime minister's closest economic advisor said the 1991 budget prepared by the Finance Ministry ''will carry on with the same old policy of restricting demand and maintain the unfair tax system''.

Matolcsy said he wanted to see incentives to increase supplies as well as new ways to ease tax burdens and to finance housing.

''We are confident that the policy we have offered is better and would steer the economy to an upswing and to a more open market economy, '' Matolcsy said.

The 1991 budget forecasts a 36 percent to 39 per cent inflation rate and higher prices. The budget proposal is unlikely to pass the legislature before next year, delaying talks between Hungary and international banks on credit lines and stand-by credits.

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#90332u1127 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (NOV. 28) UPI - To the victors go the spoils.

The 1990 All-Southeastern Conference football team announced Wednesday by United Press International was virtually a three-school affair as Florida, Alabama, and Tennessee combined for 17 positions on the 24-player squad.

Florida, the SEC's top offensive team, had six all-stars - sophomore quarterback Shane Matthews, senior wide receiver Ernie Mills, junior offensive lineman Cal Dixon, linebackers Tim Paulk and Huey Richardson, and sophomore defensive back Will White.

The Gators, 9-1 going into Saturday's game at No. 8 Florida State, are banned from the SEC championship, a bowl berth and the UPI Coaches' rankings because of NCAA probation.

Alabama, unranked because of an 0-3 start but winner of six of its last seven games and the top defensive team in the SEC, also had six representatives on the all-star team - senior offensive linemen Terrill Chatman and Roger Shultz, senior placekicker Philip Doyle, senior defensive lineman George Thornton, junior linebacker John Sullins, and senior defensive back Efrum Thomas.

Tennessee, ranked No. 10 nationally and expected to win at least a share of the SEC championship and a berth in the Sugar Bowl, was represented by five players - running back Tony Thompson, sophomore wide receiver Carl Pickens, 310-pound offensive lineman Antone Davis, former junior college defensive back

Dale Carter, and freshman punter Joey Chapman.

Auburn, which would also have at least a share of the SEC crown and a probable Fiesta Bowl berth if the 20th-ranked Tigers beat Alabama Saturday, had three All-SEC performers - junior offensive lineman Ed King, senior defensive lineman David Rocker, and senior defensive back John Wiley.

Others named to this year's team were running backs Randy Baldwin of Mississippi and Harvey Williams of Louisiana State; and defensive lineman Marc Boutte of LSU and Kelvin Pritchett of Mississippi.

All three of Auburn's all-stars - King, Rocker and Wiley - as well as Chatman, Schultz, and Richardson were all repeaters from the 1989 UPI All-SEC team.

Matthews, a slender, 6-2 sophomore from Pascagoula, Miss., was the dominant passer in the SEC this season. With a game to go, he had thrown for 2,601 yards and 21 touchdowns. Matthews threw for 351 yards and three TDs against Mississippi State, 344 yards and three TDs against Georgia, 332 yards against Oklahoma State, and 303 yards and four TDs against Kentucky.

The three All-SEC running backs went into the final week as the league's top three rushers. Thompson, a stumpy senior who got his chance when Chuck Webb was injured, has rushed for 1,025 yards and 12 TDs; Williams, returning to action this season after a long layout, had 973 yards and seven TDs; and Baldwin, a junior and the only one of the three expected back next year, had 970 yards and 11 TDs.

Pickens, a 200-pound sophomore, goes into Saturday's game at Vanderbilt with 50 receptions for 861 yards to his credit. Mills, a senior lettering for the fourth straight year, had only 34 catches for 644 yards, but leads in TD receptions with nine.

Doyle, a senior from Birmingham, was edged out last year for the honor of being All-SEC placekicker by David Browndyke of LSU. Without Browndyke to compete against this time, Doyle was the odds-on favorite as he kicked 21 of 26 field goals in the Tide's first 10 games - three of those in Alabama's biggest victory of 1990, a 9-6 decision at Tennessee.

Tennessee grabbed the punting slot for the second year in a row. Last year's All-SEC punter was Kent Elmore, who averaged 40.2 as a senior after leading the league in 1988 but failing to make the all-star squad. Chapman, with a game to go, was averaging 41.6 yards per punt in his inagural season.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - Two retired chairmen of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Wednesday urged the administration to give economic sanctions a chance to work

on Iraq before deciding to commit U.S. forces to combat.

And that position, which is becoming a consensus position at least among congressional Democrats, picked up a powerful backer - Chairman Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., of the Senate Appropriations Committee, who can significantly influence defense spending and thus foreign policy. Byrd sided with the military men testifying before the Senate Armed Services Committee.

The committee is holding hearings on the administration's response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and President Bush's vow that if U.N.- sponsored military sanctions do not cause Iraq leader Saddam Hussein to withdraw his occupying forces, they will be forced out by military action.

Later in the day the panel arranged to hear from former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger.

''We should give sanctions a fair chance before we discard them,'' said retired Adm. William Crowe, who stepped down as chairman of the Joint Chiefs in September 1989. ''I personally believe they will bring (Saddam Hussein) to his knees ultimately, but I would be the first to admit that is a speculative judgment.''

''If in fact the sanctions will work in 12 to 18 months instead of six months, the trade-off of avoiding war with its attendant sacrifices and uncertainties would, in my estimation, be more than worth it,'' he said.

Retired Air Force Gen. David Jones, who held the job from 1978 to 1982, told the committee that President Bush should ask Congress for authorization to use military force, a move he said would prove to be a unifying factor in national opinion about the crisis.

And Jones also urged caution, saying that throwing 400,000 soldiers into the region was a high-risk tactic that might solve the crisis politically but could unnecessarily cause fighting. He suggested a smaller supplement to the 230,000 forces now in place, with the ability to reinforce those forces later if war were necessary.

Byrd, whose political clout far outweighs his single vote in the Senate, rarely attends Armed Services Committee meetings, and his presence Wednesday was a sign of his desire to be a major player in the debate. He has always insisted that Congress have a hand in the major decisions of a military or foreign policy nature.

He told Crowe he agreed with calls for letting the sanctions run longer and said his agreement ''does not come from being an expert in modern warfare or ancient for that matter, but from the wisdom sometimes espoused assembled around a pot-bellied stove at a country store on a cold day in December. You're voicing what my people are saying. You're urging patience, the virtue

of patience.''

''I share your view that time is on our side, not his. ... We have to be very careful about urging military action at this point. It may come to that and if it comes in due time I think the American people will support it. ...

''It would seem to me that we would be very well advised to wait a year if it takes a year or a year and a half. The American people have shown their ability to withstand sacrifice over a long period of time,'' Byrd added.

Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., also voiced concern about any rush to military action.

''I hope the administration will listen to the voice of wisdom, the voice of caution that we hear here. It is a voice of strength,'' he said after listening to Crowe and Jones.

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LONDON (NOV. 28) UPI - As John Major moved into 10 Downing Street Wednesday he knew he'd also acquired the two problems that forced Britain's longest serving prime minister this century into involuntary retirement.

Labeled ''son of Thatcher'' during his brief leadership campaign, Major will need better luck or political skill than the ''Iron Lady'' to heal the Conservative Party's divisions over European integration and to soothe the public's hostility to the poll tax.

Major bristled at the charge that he was Margaret Thatcher's clone, but enjoyed her semi-public endorsement in the leadership contest, defeating two rivals.

His victory closed two weeks of very un-British and certainly un- Conservative public squabbling. Conservatives now hope to unite behind him for the next general election, which must be held by July 1992.

''At the end of this week I believe that there is a smile on the face of the party that will mean we are fully united for the future,'' Major said in his first public statement as prime minister.

After naming a Cabinet, one of Major's first challenges will be finding a position on European economic and political union that will satisfy the spectrum of Tories in time for next month's European Community conference in Rome.

The party includes Nicholas Ridley, who left the Thatcher Cabinet in July when he called the European Community a ''German racket,'' and likened it to

domination by Hitler, and those who have embraced the EC Executive Commission President Jacques Delors' three-stage plan for a single European currency and central bank.

It was Thatcher's defiant resistance to greater European integration that prompted the resignation of her deputy prime minister, Geoffrey Howe, who said Thatcher's approach risked isolating Britain for years to come.

Howe's resignation set off the most serious and ultimately fatal challenge to Thatcher's 15-year leadership of the party.

Over Thatcher's reluctance, Major, as chancellor of the exchequer, Britain's treasury, succeeded last month in taking Britain into an EC exchange rate mechanism, which limits a country's ability to set its own interest rates by tying its value to that of others members'.

He sought to put the division over Europe behind him in his first public comment after getting the queen's request to form a government. ''We have in front of us the budding and development of an entirely new Europe, a budding and development in which this country will play a full and leading role.''

But in a recent interview, Major said he could not foresee Britain yielding additional sovereignty to the EC in the next decade, leading some to believe the change from Thatcher will be only in tone, not in substance.

The poll tax, a flat head tax that requires a dustman to pay the same as a duke, presents another thorny problem. Implementation of the tax in England earlier this year led to massive demonstrations and a riot in London, and more than a million Scots have refused to pay the tax that was imposed in the north in 1989.

The levy helped make Thatcher the most unpopular prime minister since public opinion polling began here in 1937, and gave the opposition Labor Party a wide margin in approval ratings from spring until she agreed last Thursday to resign.

Major and the other two men who sought to be prime minister - Michael Heseltine and Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd - all said they would take a fresh look at the tax. Major, however, was the least optimistic about finding an alternative, reminding colleagues that reducing the poll tax would likely mean higher income taxes.

One immediate change will be in the leadership style. What has been described as Thatcher's haughtiness elicited both respect and bitterness. Major, at least until he wins a general election on his own, is expected to revert to the more traditional ''first-among-equals'' style of Cabinet government.

Where Thatcher asked about potential appointees, ''Is he one of us'' - that is

did he share her views - Major after his election emphasized that he wanted a ''Cabinet of all talents.''

During his campaign, Major said he wanted to create a ''classless society'' and emphasized his own humble origins, the son of a circus trapeze artist who became succesful in banking before turning to politics.

He was expected to be more sympathetic to education and training than Thatcher was, attempting to lure Labor's working-class supporters.

In his first comment to the press, he spoke of building a ''society of opportunity.''

An opponent of capital punishment, Major is considered more liberal on social issues than Thatcher.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - UPI'S 1990 ALL-SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE FOOTBALL TEAM

(Listing position, player, school, class, and hometown)

Offense

Quarterback - Shane Matthews, Florida, sophomore, Pascagoula, Miss.

Running backs - Tony Thompson, Tennessee, senior, Lake Wales, Fla.; Randy Baldwin, Mississippi, junior, Griffin, Ga.; Harvey Williams, LSU, senior, Hempstead, Texas.

Wide receivers - Carl Pickens, Tennessee, sophomore, Murphy, N.C.; Ernie Mills, Florida, senior, Dunnellon, Fla.

Linemen - Ed King, Auburn, junior, Phenix City, Ala.; Antone Davis, Tennessee, senior, Fort Valley, Ga.; Terrill Chatman, Alabama, senior, Childersburg, Ala., Cal Dixon, Florida, junior, Merritt Island, Fla.

Center - Roger Shultz, Alabama, senior, Atlanta.

Kicker - Philip Doyle, Alabama, senior, Birmingham, Ala.

Defense

Linemen - David Rocker, Auburn, senior, Atlanta; George Thornton, Alabama, senior, Montgomery, Ala.; Marc Boutte, Louisiana

State, junior, Lake Charles, La.; Kelvin
Pritchett, Mississippi, senior, Atlanta.

Linebackers - Tim Paulk, Florida, junior,
Miami; John Sullins, Alabama, junior,
Oxford, Miss.; Huey Richardson, Florida, senior, Atlanta;

Backs - Dale Carter, Tennessee, junior, Oxford, Ga.; Will White, Florida, sophomore, Tallahassee, Fla.; Efrum Thomas, Alabama, senior, Long Beach, Calif.; John Wiley, Auburn, senior, Opelika, Ala.

Punter - Joey Chapman, Tennessee, freshman, Franklin, Tenn.

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TOKYO (NOV. 28) UPI - Mitsubishi Motors Corp., said Wednesday it has donated its 2-liter DOHC car engine to the California Energy Committee for use in the CEC-sponsored Flexible Fuel Vehicle Fleet Test Program.

The Tokyo-based company said the program is intended to study the possibility of replacing gasoline with methanol as fuel for vehicles to reduce air pollution. Methanol releases less hydrocarbon emissions than petroleum fuel.

Mitsubishi said Flexible Fuel Vehicles run on a compound of 85 percent methanol and 15 percent petroleum. Such vehicles are being tested because the use of petroleum to a certain degree as an additive to methanol will be needed while an efficient all-methanol distribution system is being refined, it said.

Similar tests have been under way on public streets in major U.S. cities such as New York and Chicago.

The test program in California is scheduled to run through December 1992, the company said.

Mitsubishi said the company has replaced the materials used for engine parts and fuel tanks to prevent corrosion, rubber expansion and friction caused by methanol fuel.

The company said it has also developed a new counter system that eliminates imperfectly-burned methanol and formaldehyde fumes from methanol engine exhaust emissions.

Mitsubishi, part of Japan's giant Mitsubishi Group industrial concern, is 12 percent owned by Chrysler Corp., and is involved in a car-building joint venture with Chrysler, Diamond Star Motor, in Normal, Ill.

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LONDON (NOV. 28) UPI - With the political excitement over Britain's new leadership finished, investors sent stock prices lower Wednesday on the London International Stock Exchange, as recession and worries of a war in the Gulf again were the focus of traders.

Share prices closed mixed after a nervous, roller-coaster session driven by rumors and news from the oil rich Persian Gulf on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. Volume was moderate.

In London, the blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which added 7.6 points Tuesday, fell 15.2 points to 2,144.3. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 13.5 points to 1,686.2.

Volume amounted to around 381 million shares compared with 378 million shares changing hands Tuesday.

Analysts said although Britain's new Prime Minister, John Major, was the financial district's choice, it had been expecting his victory for the last three days.

''Anyone who has been hoping for a cut and run tactic has been disappointed. Major has been at pains to make it clear he won't be cutting interest rates quickly to go for an early election,'' said George Hodgson, an equity market economist at brokers SG Warburg Securities.

Meanwhile, profit taking crept into the market and some disappointing corporate news helped to send stocks lower.

Britain's industry bellwhether, Imperial Chemical Industries, dropped 25 cents to $16.35 after its chairman warned the recessionary effects would last longer than expected.

Guinness slipped 22 cents to $13.96 on worries that its recently announced acquisitions could be too ambitious.

Guinness is expected to complete the purchase of Spanish brewer La Cruz del Campo for some $254 million, and buy nearly 70 percent of German brandy maker Asbach for an estimated $50 million.

Barclays Bank PLC eased 26 cents to $5.09 amid Japanese property worries and downgradings, while the Royal Bank of Scotland lost 10 cents to $2.70 ahead of its earnings report on Thursday.

Maxwell Communications gained 9 cents to $2.92 after reporting its latest earnings jumped 6 percent.

Hambros, a merchant bank, eased 2 cents to $4.46 after reporting its latest earnings rose 19 percent. Analysts said the stocks slipped after the bank issued a cautious statement regarding the next quarter.

In Germany, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed mixed in moderate trading. The closely watched German Stock Index, which had plummeted 68.26 points in the previous two sessions, added 5.36 points to 1,420.62.

Banking, chemical and retailing stocks generally ended higher, boosting the overall market higher, analysts said.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - After an absence of more than one year, a U.S. ambassador returned to Lebanon Wednesday to take up residence there.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher confirmed that Ryan Crocker, newly confirmed envoy to Lebanon, flew to Beirut from Cyprus by helicopter Wednesday and moved into the embassy in east Beirut.

The move came after a U.S. security team had spent three days in the city and reported that it would be safe for Crocker to come.

The former U.S. ambassador, John McCarthy, left Beirut in September 1989 with the remaining U.S. staff of diplomats amid a raging civil war between government forces and and some military personnel loyal to dissident Gen. Michel Aoun.

McCArthy returned once briefly to Lebanon to present his credentials to President Elias Hrawari, but that was in a remote site in northern Lebanon and not in strife-torn Beirut.

Officially, the Beirut embassy was never closed and a Lebanese caretaker staff kept the U.S. flag flying, but no U.S. diplomats were permitted to go to Lebanon because of the danger involved.

Boucher said it has not yet been decided when to send in further diplomats to join Crocker in Beirut.

Aoun's forces, attacked by Syrian troops, gave up last month and Aoun took refuge in the French Embassy in Beirut, where he remains.

Under Syrian pressure, the remaining militia groups have begun pulling out of Beirut, bringing a measure of calm to a country that has been devastated by intermittent civil war since 1975.

Crocker, 51, is a career diplomat, had been confirmed by the Senate and was

sworn in last month. He joined the Foreign Service in 1971 and has served in Iran, Qatar, Iraq and Lebanon. He speaks Arabic.

The previous U.S. Embassy in west Beirut was destroyed by a terrorist car bomb in 1983, with the loss of 17 Americans, including the Central Intelligence Agency's Middle East staff, which was meeting in the building.

U.S. officials suspected that the attack had been planned and directed by Syrian intelligence officers, but no direct chain of evidence was ever produced.

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#90332u1150 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - Federal Reserve chief Alan Greenspan is blaming higher oil prices and the threat of a Persian Gulf war for much of the nation's current economic troubles. The nation's top banker made the assessment today in testimony before the House Banking Committee. He declined to use the word recession in describing the situation, but he told committee members there is- in his words- a ''meaningful downturn'' in economic output.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater also talked of the economy this morning reacting to Greenspan's testimony and to revised third- quarter G-N-P figures. Fitzwater says the administration's position is the same, that the nation is in a ''slowdown,'' to use his word. The revised Commerce Department figures show the output of goods and services increased one-point-seven percent in the third quarter. But that is slightly below the one-point-eight percent increase tracked in the second quarter.

Most of the key elements appear to be in place as the Bush administration works to use the military option to get Iraq out of Kuwait. The U-N Security Council is to debate the issue tomorrow and it appears the five permanent members will approve the use of force. China is one of those key members and Foreign Minister Qian Qichen talked with reporters in Beijing today, strongly hinting that China will abstain, rather than veto, when the vote is taken.

Iraq is trying to de-fuse the issue before it comes to a vote by again calling for dialogue to settle the Persian Gulf crisis. That's a position the United States has rejected in the past, calling instead on an UNconditional withdrawal from Kuwait. But Iraq's calls for talks comes as top government leaders in Baghdad keep saying they will ''never succumb'' to demands that Iraq give up its claim to Kuwait.

A Swedish volunteer nurse was stabbed in the back at a hospital in the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip today. One report said her assailant left a note claiming he carried out the attack in retaliation of foreign intervention in the Persian Gulf. Another report said the note warned of what it called ''other attacks against Jews.'' The nurse was listed in moderate to serious

condition in the hospital's intensive care unit.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency has given final approval to New Hampshire emergency plans in the event of an accident at the Seabrook nuclear power plant. The plan essentially calls for using buses and cars to evacuate each of the 17 New Hampshire towns within Seabrook's emergency planning zone. Six other towns within the zone are covered by a separate state emergency plan because those towns agreed with Seabrook opponents who claim the area is too densely populated to be adequately protected by any emergency plan.

Two teams of U-S military experts are in Vietnam to search for clues to the fate of more than 16-hundred missing American servicemen. A U-S Embassy spokesman says the joint effort with the Vietnamese government is expected to last more than two weeks and will cover areas in at least six northern and central Vietnamese provinces. Army experts in Hawaii are examining 10 batches of remains that Vietnam returned last week.

Kevin Nealon of ''Saturday Night Live'' is trying to rally support for Lota, a 40-year-old Indian elephant. The Milwaukee County Zoo sent Lota to the Hawthorn Corporation in Richmond, Illinois, this week because she was acting aggressively toward another elephant and had become too big a problem for zoo keepers. Hawthorn is a firm that trains and breeds animals for circuses and safari parks and takes in elderly animals ready for retirement. The pachyderm fell down and suffered a few cuts and bruises during the trip, but a Hawthorn official says she is fine now that she is at her new home. But Nealon- a Milwaukee native- says Lota should be returned to the zoo where she has lived most of her life.

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VATICAN CITY (NOV. 28) UPI - Polish Cardinal Wladyslaw Rubin, a personal friend and compatriot of Pope John Paul II who served most of his career in the Vatican, died Wednesday in Rome, Vatican sources said. He was 73.

''He was a true, good and faithful servant of God and the church, carrying out tasks of particular delicacy and responsibility,'' the sources quoted the pope as saying when he heard of Rubin's death.

The cause of death was not immediately known, but Rubin had been ill for a long time and John Paul paid one of his periodic visits to the cardinal at his bedside on Sunday.

Among his various appointments in the Vatican Curia, or government, during the postwar years, Rubin formerly served as Prefect of the Congregation for the Eastern Rite churches and was in charge of the pastoral care of Poles living abroad.

Rubin was born in Toki, near Lvov, on Sept. 20, 1917, when the region was part of the Austro-Hungarian empire. It is now in the Soviet Ukraine.

During World War II, Rubin served as a volunteer with Polish troops in Italy and remained in Italy after being ordained in 1946. He became a bishop in 1964 and in 1979 Pope John Paul II, also a Pole, made him a cardinal.

Rubin's death reduced the Sacred College of Cardinals to 143 members. Only 102 are under the age of 80 and therefore eligible to vote in an eventual election to choose a new pope.

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BAMAKO, MALI (NOV. 28) UPI - Liberian rebel leader Charles Taylor signed a cease-fire with other warring factions Wednesday but observers at peace talks in Mali said groundwork had not been laid for a political solution to the civil war in Liberia.

Some sources at the Bamako extraordinary summit of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) said Taylor was forced to sign the cease-fire because of pressure from his main military backers, Libya and Burkina Faso.

But Taylor denied that he had received backing from either country and said he had not been forced to sign the cease-fire agreement. ''I have been the most generous in this, with 90 per cent of the country and people under my control, giving up everything to bring peace to my people,'' he said.

While Taylor agreed to stop fighting the rebel forces of Prince Johnson and the remnants of government troops, the Bamako agreement fails to push current political initiatves any further forward.

And Taylor implied Wednesday that he did not recognize the interim government of Amos Sawyer, which is now in the Liberian capital, Monrovia.

The cease-fire comes after both Libya and Burkina Faso agreed to stop providing weapons to his National Patriotic Front of Liberia after a visit by West African foreign ministers to Libyan leader Col. Moammar Gadhafi on Nov. 19.

Libya's foreign minister flew to the Nigerian capital Lagos Tuesday to assure the Nigerian president, Gen. Ibrahim Babangida, that Libya would ''make sure'' that Taylor signed the cease-fire agreement, Babangida told the 13 ECOWAS heads of state meeting to discuss the 11- month-old Liberian civil war.

President Blaise Compaore of Burkina Faso, who has provided arms, ammunition and military advisers as well as troops to the NPFL, agreed to end his military support for Taylor without conditions, West African sources said.

President Felix Houphouet-Boigny of the Ivory Coast also has supported Taylor by allowing him easy access across the border between the two countries, facilitating the arms supply from Burkina Faso.

Houphouet-Boigny is believed by sources within ECOWAS to have wanted a cease-fire above all else, whatever the political outcome. The long- term potential for a political solution within Liberia is becoming increasingly unimportant to the countries that have until now allowed the war to continue through their support, a source said.

Herman Cohen, the U.S. assistant secretary of state for African affairs, called on Burkina Faso Tuesday to end support for Taylor. Cohen, quoted by the British Broadcasting Corp., said U.S. financial assistance to Burkina Faso would be reduced if this backing continued.

Taylor's growing image as a leader hungry for power rather than the idealistic rebel who overthrew the brutal regime of the late President Samuel Doe has undermined him in the eyes of most West African leaders and has severely embarrassed his backers, the source said.

The cease-fire between the warring factions does not include any implicit recognition of the Sawyer government, elected by a conference of Liberians in August. It represents a broad sweep of Liberian political opinion forced into exile under the Doe regime.

While Taylor said he has ''agreed to receive Sawyer,'' the cease-fire agreement to which the NPFL had agreed ''states very clearly that no group in Liberia is recognized as an interim government,'' he said. This view contradicts the view of ECOWAS, whose 6,000-strong peace-keeping force in Liberia is protecting the Sawyer government.

The cease-fire agreement also includes provision for more countries to send troops to join the force. Taylor said this would ''give more countries a fairer opportunity to participate.''

The indication is that the five countries already there - Nigeria, Ghana, Sierra Leone, Guinea and Gambia - have become identified as anti- Taylor forces, and that troops perhaps from Ivory Coast and Burkina Faso will balance the military presence between what are effectively seen as pro and anti-Taylor countries by the arrival of troops whose governments have given Taylor backing in the past.

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JERUSALEM (NOV. 28) UPI - About 1,500 immigrants are arriving in Israel each day, bringing their number to the highest level since the latest wave of

immigration began last year, officials for the semi-governmental Jewish Agency said Wednesday.

The total number of immigrants between January 1990 and April 1991 is expected to be more than 300,000, among them 250,000 from the Soviet Union and 10,000 from Ethiopia, Jewish Agency Treasurer Meir Shitrit said.

Between January and mid-November, Israel received more than 145,000 immigrants immigration officials said.

Shitrit said Israel would have to raise $30 billion to absorb an expected 1 million immigrants in the next three years but added that these newcomers would cause a 50 percent increase in the gross national product.

Meanwhile, Absorption Minister Yizthak Peretz was attacked in the Knesset, Israel's parliament, for saying recently that one-third of the immigrants arriving from the Soviet Union in Israel were not Jewish according to Jewish law. Peretz, an ultra-Orthodox rabbi, said those Soviet immigrants were ''a danger to the future and security of the country.''

''You are the minister of libel, the minister of anti-immigration, an anti-Jew '' former Absorption Minister Ya'acov Tzur said Wednesday during his attack on Peretz. Tzur is a member of the opposition center- left Labor Party.

According to Israel's 1952 Law of Return, only Jews are entitled to automatic citizenship and immigrant benefits. But Orthodox Jews believe the guidelines should be stricter, such as in the case of converts and children of intermarriages.

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#90332u1187 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

FORT MYERS, FL (NOV. 28) UPI - A police dog apparently lifted the 2-week- old daughter of a Lee County sheriff's deputy from her crib and dropped her on a bedroom floor, where the infant was found dead, investigators said Wednesday.

Kayla V. Reeves was pronounced dead on arrival late Tuesday at Lee County Memorial Hospital, sheriff's spokesman Robert Graziano said.

''It appears the dog had taken her from the bassinet,'' Graziano said.

The infant's father, Deputy Scott Reeves, is a sheriff's specialist and the handler for the German shepherd police dog named Tasso. The dog lived with the family at their Fort Myers home.

Graziano said Suzanne Reeves put her daughter to bed in the bassinet about 9 p.m..

''At approximately 11:30 p.m., the infant was found on the floor,'' he said.

The parents called paramedics, who took the baby to the hospital.

An autopsy was pending. Graziano said the infant did not appear to have been mauled, and there was no indication the bassinet had been tipped over.

''There was nothing that was very obvious,'' Graziano said. ''When you have a child that little, literally a fall to the floor could have been the cause of death.''

The dog was impounded at a veterinary clinic pending results of the investigation.

Because the death occurred in the city limits, the Fort Myers Police Department is in charge of the investigation.

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#90332u1197 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

TRIPOLI, Libya (UPI) Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi said Wednesday he failed in an attempt to arrange a meeting between Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and therefore is ''no longer interested in the gulf crisis.''

The mercurial Libyan chief said he asked the two Arab leaders to meet for a last-ditch chance at peaceful negotiations before the 15 foreign ministers of the U.N. Security Council decide in New York whether to adopt a U.N. resolution authorizing force to dislodge Iraq from Kuwait.

Saddam, facing international pressure to withdraw from Kuwait, was interested in the proposed meeting but Fahd backd out, Gadhafi said in a statement read by Information Minister Ali Abu Gazia.

The Libyan leader flew more than 150 foreign journalists to Tripoli from Cairo Athens, Rome and Belgrade for a news conference he said was to have been an announcement of the Saddam-Fahd summit.

But negotiations for the meeting, at which he was to have played mediator, fell through.

''Libya is no longer interested in the (Persian) Gulf crisis,'' Gazia said, reading from the statement. ''We have no relation with the problem.

''We leave such adamant parties to pay the price be they Saudis, Kuwaitis or Iraqis,'' he said.

Libya backed an Arab League call for the immediate and complete withdrawal of

Iraqi troops from occupied Kuwait during a summit in Cairo shortly after the Aug. 2 invasion.

Since then it has become a strong critic of the U.S.-led multinational force deployed to the region and has taken a softer stand against Saddam than many Arab leaders.

Gadhafi did not respond to a call by King Hassan of Morocco earlier this month for an Arab summit to settle the crisis.

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#90332u1200 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - Yields fell on 5-year T-notes Wednesday to an average of 7.95 percent, the lowest since 7.77 percent Nov. 29, 1989, the Treasury Department announced.

The government said it auctioned $9.04 billion of the 7 7/8 percent interest rate notes at an average of $99.626. At the last auction Aug. 29, the average yield was 8.57 percent.

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#90332u1207 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI (NOV. 28) UPI - Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar dismissed the government of northeastern Assam state for its failure to maintain law and order, assuming direct control of the state through a measure called President's Rule, a government official said Wednesday.

He said the state government of regional Asom Gana Parishad party was dismissed Tuesday night for its alleged failure to combat militant activities of the United Liberation Front of Assam.

The government also banned ULFA, and declared Assam a disturbed area, empowering security forces with special powers to detain and raid hideouts of extremists.

Security forces have fanned out across the state in an attempt to nab militant activists, the official said, adding that several activists of ULFA have been taken into custody.

The state government was dismissed just a month before its five-year term was due to end and the state was to elect a new government.

Assam is the third state to be placed under presidential rule. The other two are the northern Jammu and Kashmir, as well as Punjab state, where separatists are waging a bloody campaign for secession from India.

P. Upendra, India's former information and broadcasting minister, was quoted by the news agency Press Trust of India as saying the dismissal of the state government was ''undemocratic, unconstitutional and unwarranted.''

''By its thoughtless action, the Chandra Shekhar government has risked throwing Assam into the same turmoil as Punjab and Kashmir, and the situation, instead of improving, is likely to deteriorate,'' the news agency quoted Upendra as saying.

The ousted chief minister, Prafulla Kumar Mahanta, described the dismissal of his government as a ''betrayal of democracy. The action portends very dark future for the people of Assam,'' the Press Trust quoted him as saying.

The ULFA has been campaigning for the past few years against non- Assamese, alleging economic domination of the state by people from oustide Assam.

Several businessmen and opposition Congress (I) Party leaders have accused the Asom Gana Parishad's government of failing to take stern measures against ULFA activisits. They say ULFA activists demand and get huge ransom money from companies.

The militants accuse businessmen of exploiting resources of the state without benefitting people of the state.

Violence in Assam peaked early this month when a major tea company in the state flew out its officials and stopped work at its tea estate rather than pay ransom allegedly demanded by the ULFA.

The President's Rule lasts for six months and can be renewed for another six months. The governor could end the direct rule by revoking assembly suspension or by holding fresh election to the state assembly.

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#90332u1215 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

OSLO, Norway (NOV. 28) UPI - Norway's Nobel Peace Prize committee said Wednesday it cannot postpone the Dec. 10 Nobel award ceremony despite Moscow's announcement that Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev could not travel to Oslo to receive his prize before May 1991.

''The statutes of the Nobel Foundation and an unbroken tradition mean that the committee cannot put the presentation off until next May,'' Nobel Committee secretary Geir Lundestad told reporters Wednesday.

Gorbachev was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for reforms that allowed the end of the Cold War and the flourishing of democracy in Eastern Europe.

Lundestad said he hoped Gorbachev would be able to come to Norway in May to

deliver the traditional Nobel Lecture, which all laureates give to Oslo university the day after the award.

Lundestad said Norway's Nobel committee informed the Soviet president he could send a representative on his behalf Dec. 10 to receive the prize - a medal, a certificate and $720,000.

Norwegian Prime Minister Gro Harlem Brundtland said she understood Gorbachev's decision not to attend the December ceremony but hoped he would come in May.

''With the process that has now been set in motion for the future government of the Soviet Union, we must accept and respect the decision, '' she said.

The official Soviet news agency Tass quoted the Soviet president's press office as saying the delay was requested because of the ''crucial situation in the country and the president's preoccupation with affairs that occupy his constant attention.''

Gorbachev has been accused at home of devoting too much time to foreign affairs and overseas trips while the Soviet Union suffers serious economic and other domestic problems.

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#90332u1224 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
ABS Industries (4th Q 10-31)	
$10,393,000	$9,070,000
$371,000 (.15)	$329,000 (.13)
Bank of Montreal (4th Q 10-31)	
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$144,062,000 (1.16)	d-$379,168,000

d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Barnwell Indus (4th Q 9-30)	
$11,930,000	$8,933,000
$1,920,000 (1.36)	$2,390,000 (1.69)
Crowley Milner (3rd Q 11-3)	
$28,665,386	$28,803,487
d-$484,962	d-$178,558

d-Deficit.

Designs Inc (3rd Q 10-27)
$35,632,000 $23,819,000
$1,628,000 (.33) $515,000 (.10)

Harris Steel Grp (9mos 9-30)
$178,240,978 $182,866,670
$6,396,155 (.52) d-$3,537,550
d-Deficit.
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Metall Mining (3rd Q 9-30)
$47,700,000 $34,400,000
$4,200,000 (.11) $6,500,000 (.17)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

SL Industries (1st Q 10-31)
$17,136,000 $20,937,000
$35,000 (.01) $1,126,000 (.17)

Sprouse-Reitz Strs (3rd Q 10-30)
$54,745,596 $54,434,861
d-$1,684,229 d-$676,038
d-Deficit.

Texscan Corp (2nd Q 10-27)
$9,405,000 $12,483,000
$226,000 (.10) $435,000 (.19)

Value Merchants (3rd Q 11-10)
$32,865,000 $16,402,000
$909,000 (.15) $925,000 (.20)

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#90332u1226 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (NOV. 28) UPI - Engineers Wednesday readied the shuttle Columbia for the overnight start of its countdown to blastoff Sunday on a long-delayed astronomy flight, a record-tying 17 days after NASA's last launch.

Columbia's intricate countdown was scheduled to begin at 1 a.m. EST Thursday with the ship's seven-man crew - a post-Challenger record - planning to fly in from Houston late Thursday night to prepare for blastoff on the 38th shuttle mission.

Launch is scheduled for 1:28 a.m. Sunday - six months behind schedule because of crippling fuel leaks - to kick off a 10-day flight to study the most violent stars and galaxies in the universe with telescopes sensitive to high-energy forms of light that are blocked by Earth's atmosphere.

If all goes well Columbia will glide to a landing Dec. 11 at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., at 8:25 p.m. PST to close out the year's sixth shuttle flight, the 13th since the Challenger disaster.

''There are no problems out there at all,'' NASA spokeswoman Lisa Malone said of work at Columbia's launch pad. ''We're not looking at any issues.''

Air Force meteorologists called for a 70 percent chance of acceptable weather at launch time Sunday, setting the stage for NASA's second sky- lighting nighttime shuttle liftoff in less than three weeks.

On board will be commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 46.

It is the largest shuttle crew since Challenger's launch in 1986 and the first since then to include non-professional astronauts.

Columbia's launch comes just 17 days after the shuttle Atlantis's Nov. 15 blastoff on a military flight, the fastest pace since two shuttles were launched 17 days apart in 1985, and 57 days after the shuttle Discovery ferried the Ulysses solar probe into space Oct. 6.

The rapid-fire launching of three shuttles in less than three months marks NASA's most impressive performance since 1985 when three flights were launched between Oct. 3 and Nov. 26, a period of just 54 days.

But the flight rate this time around is misleading in that Columbia and Atlantis originally were scheduled for takeoff in May and July respectively. Both ships were grounded by elusive hydrogen fuel leaks and after both orbiters finally were repaired, most of the routine pre- launch work had been completed.

In any case, few missions have had as much trouble getting off the ground as Columbia's.

Launch originally was scheduled for March 6, 1986, but the Challenger disaster the previous Jan. 28 grounded the shuttle program until late 1988 and Columbia's mission ultimately was delayed to May 30.

But the night before takeoff, explosive hydrogen gas was detected leaking into the shuttle's engine room, forcing NASA managers to delay the launch until a suspect fuel-line fitting could be replaced.

After a second delay because of trouble with one of Columbia's on- board telescopes, the shuttle was grounded twice in a row in September because of persistent hydrogen leaks in the ship's engine compartment.

After replacing two suspect seals and three fuel pumps, Columbia finally passed a critical fueling test last month without springing any more leaks, clearing the way for launch Sunday.

Mounted in Columbia's 60-foot cargo bay is a battery of telescopes built to study ultraviolet light and X-rays from stars and galaxies that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

Unlike the Hubble Space Telescope, launched from the shuttle Discovery April 25, Columbia's telescopes will remain in the spaceplane's cargo bay throughout the flight, operated by the ship's crew much like a ground-based observatory.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) - Republican Party leaders hope Gary Alvin Franks, the congressman-elect from Connecticut's 5th District, can attract other blacks into their overwhelmingly white ranks.

They cite the elevation in the Nov. 6 election of the Waterbury alderman to the nation's loftiest post held by any black Republican elected official as proof that theirs is ''the party of opportunity.''

Franks started orientation sessions Wednesday on Capitol Hill with other incoming House members.

Asked if he could work for the GOP strategists who made Willie Horton an issue in the 1988 presidential campaign, Franks grinned broadly and replied cautiously, ''I'm proud to be a Republican.''

He also managed to duck most other questions on his first full day in Washington after his election victory.

Franks will be the first black GOP member of the House since Oscar de Priest, who served three terms after winning a seat from Chicago in Herbert Hoover's presidential landslide of 1928.

The 37-year-old Yale graduate who operates his own real-estate business will become the only conservative in the Congressional Black Caucus, known for its bedrock liberalism.

Franks said he had met only several members of the caucus and had not discussed politics with them.

President Bush campaigned for Franks, who defeated former liberal Rep. Toby Moffett, D-Conn., for a seat vacated by John Rowland, who ran unsuccessfully for governor.

In terms of his political philosophy, Franks appears closer to the president's critics on the right, such as GOP House Whip Newt Gingrich of Georgia.

''I do consider myself a fiscal conservative,'' Franks said, declining to elaborate. ''My priority now is to get myself organized so that I can hit the ground running,'' he said, when he takes his seat on Jan. 3.

''I'm looking at the Armed Services Committee,'' Franks said of the panel where he hopes to fill a seat vacated by Rowland. ''I'm also looking at other possible committee assignments.''

He is a staunch supporter of a cut in the capital-gains tax rate, which the president has abandoned for now. Franks also remains opposed to new taxes, which Bush has accepted.

The first black ever elected to Congress from Connecticut opposed the Civil Rights Act of 1990, which Bush vetoed, arguing that it would impose job quotas based on race.

Franks said Wednesday he hopes to support a 1991 non-quota version of the civil rights legislation, a bill the president can support.

''We're going over the rules and regulations of the House,'' Franks said of the orientation sessions he is attending with other incoming members. ''That's important because I don't intend to break any of them. ''

Franks advocates the death penalty for drug traffickers, reductions in welfare benefits and a constitutional amendment prohibiting burning the American flag.

He is a native of Waterbury whose father was a mill worker and whose mother worked as a dietary aide at a hospital. All six of their children graduated from college.

Franks was an honor student and senior class president at Waterbury's Sacred Heart High School before receiving a scholarship to Yale, where he was captain of the basketball team.

Franks said he will be hiring staff members and looking for housing in Washington, where he will work Tuesdays through Thursdays.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - With a bankruptcy court award of enough money to get through the winter, Eastern Airlines Wednesday said it is better able than other airlines to survive an industry shakeout.

Federal Bankruptcy Judge Burton Lifland late Tuesday granted Eastern's request for $120 million in cash to keep it flying through March plus an additional $15 million creditor contingency fund so the airline could avoid the periodic pleas that have eroded public confidence in its staying power.

The bad publicity and speculation surrounding each court appearance for more money had driven passengers away and spurred creditors to ask for early payments, the airline said in arguing for a long-term award.

The award "represents a very clear victory for Eastern," Martin Shugrue, the airline's court-appointed trustee, said in a Wednesday news conference.

Following the news conference, Shugrue told a few reporters: "A continued shakeout in the airline industry will occur ... I can't put a time on it. I'm not that good."

Shugrue added, "If all things remain the same, if government doesn't begin to pay more attention to what's going on, I think there will be more casualties." In recent months, the airline industry has been hurt by a slowdown in the nation's economy and rising fuel costs.

The trimming down that Eastern has done in its Chapter 11 bankruptcy "makes it more likely Eastern will be one of the survivors. We've got our costs down. We have an opportunity to reorganize ourselves. Eastern can come out of this with a clean balance sheet," Shugrue said.

The court award "is more than enough money to get Eastern cash positive. We have no intention of being back in court seeking further cash drawdowns. It is simply not going to be," the trustee said.

But even with the court award, Standard & Poor's Corp., the credit-rating service, said "long-term prospects for Eastern remain poor due to a weakening economy, high fuel prices, and industrywide fare promotions aimed at leisure travelers."

S&P also said the prospect of Eastern continuing for at least several more months is "bad news" for competitors such as Delta Air Lines Inc., USAir Group Inc., Midway Airlines Inc., and others.

Even if war breaks out in the Middle East, Shugrue said advisers have told him that oil would not stay for long at "skyrocketing levels." Shugrue said, "The government can act in meaningful ways to deal with that issue before it becomes a crisis." He said the White House should release oil from the nation's Strategic Petroleum Reserve to deal with any crisis. The reserve holds 590 million barrels of oil.

Consequently, Shugrue said: "We are planning for fuel in the $30 a barrel range in 1991 ... about 91 cents" a gallon for jet fuel. He added, "Yesterday

we were paying 97-98 cents (a gallon), down from $1.24 where it spiked a couple of months ago. So, we think (the cost of fuel) is manageable."

The trustee said, "We're in a recession. The only people in the country that don't know we're in a recession live in Washington ... I can tell you the airline industry is in a recession and has been and we're dealing with that."

Unless the government changes policy, "the airline industry is moving towards the haves and the have-nots. And the haves are three (airlines) and the have-nots are everybody else," he said. "I think it's bad public policy to allow these airlines to shut down, to go out of business, or merge into mega-carriers," he said.

Eastern plans to sell its 13 aging Lockheed L-1011 airplanes, and has been negotiating with several investor groups over the sale of Eastern Express, a regional carrier serving Florida and the Bahamas. Shugrue said he was "confident something could be worked out" with the Soviet Union's Aeroflot airline for five of the L-1011s.

Asked about sales of Eastern assets to U.S. or foreign buyers, he replied: "We have a whole list of asset disposition opportunities available to us having to do with equipment and facilities that are surplus to Eastern's long-term needs that we will continue to evaluate." He, however, added: "We don't have at the moment a major asset transaction planned or contemplated."

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CHICAGO (NOV. 28) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	79.05	79.28	78.70	78.75	79.10
Feb	76.20	76.28	75.63	75.68	76.25
Apr	76.05	76.13	75.70	75.75	76.05
Jun	73.85	73.85	73.50	73.53	73.82
Aug	72.25	72.38	72.05	72.05	72.30
Oct	72.30	72.30	72.05	72.05	72.25
Dec	73.00	73.00	72.65	72.65	73.00

Est. sales 13,276 contracts; Tuesday 16,013; open interest 73,504 up 28.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	87.55	87.60	87.13	87.35	87.45
Mar	85.20	85.40	84.95	85.15	85.20
Apr	84.00	84.18	83.90	83.93	84.05
May	82.90	83.30	82.90	83.10	83.30
Aug	82.20	82.40	82.10	82.10	82.25

Sep	81.85	81.85	81.70	81.85	81.85
Oct	....	....	....	81.55	81.55

Est. sales 1,079 contracts; Tuesday 1,392; open interest 9,009 up 170.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	52.70	52.78	51.25	51.33	52.50
Feb	50.63	50.75	49.25	49.30	50.63
Apr	47.60	47.75	46.45	46.53	47.58
Jun	51.65	51.70	50.60	50.63	51.45
Jul	51.75	51.80	50.90	50.95	51.90
Aug	50.08	50.45	49.80	49.90	50.35
Oct	45.50	45.50	44.80	44.60	45.10
Dec	45.15	45.40	45.15	44.90	45.25

Est. sales 10,915 contracts; Tuesday 8,410; open interest 28,084 off 130.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	70.40	71.13	68.15	68.15	70.15
Mar	70.00	70.65	67.68	67.68	69.68
May	70.45	70.65	67.80	67.80	69.80
Jul	69.50	69.60	67.10	67.20	68.70
Aug	67.45	67.45	64.60	64.60	66.40

Est. sales 5,102 contracts; Tuesday 7,018; open interest 12,877 up 447.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lb 129.32 down 5 cents, 700- 850 lb 129.66 down 21 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lb 118.92 down 34 cents, 700-850 lb 118.60 down 33 cents.

Pork carlot trading moderate; demand moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were not fully established; skinned hams firm to 2.25 higher; seedless bellies firm; pork loins 18-22 lb 96.00; Boston butts 4-8 lb 75.00; hams 17-20 lb 100.00-101.00, 20-26 lb 81. 00-83.75, 26-32 lb 78.00, 32 lb and up 78.00; bellies 14-16 lb 61.00, 16-18 lb 59.00-60.00, 18-20 lb 57.00-58.00, 20-25 lb 51.50.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - President Bush has signed a new farm policy measure into law, one the administration estimates will cost 170-BILLION dollars during the next five years. Bush calls it the ''most environmentally progressive farm bill ever.'' Besides giving farmers more leeway in deciding what to plant, it creates a Wetlands Reserve of up to one-Million acres. It also helps protect water supplies from contamination by farm chemicals.

Britain's new prime minister, John Major, is moving rapidly to end any political division within the ruling Conservative Party. He has met with rival Michael Heseltine, who began the party leadership challenge that swept Margaret Thatcher from power. Neither would say later if Heseltine has been offered a post in the new government that Major is forming. Heseltine served as defense secretary under Thatcher until 1986 when he resigned in protest over her leadership style.

Argentina and Brazil say they'll take steps to join the Western Hemisphere nuclear NON-profileration treaty... an agreement both nations have boycotted up to now. But in a ceremony today at a hotel near the Brazilian-Argentine border, Presidents Carlos Menem of Argentina and Fernando Collor de Mello of Brazil signed documents that commit the two nations to enter negotiations with the International Atomic Energy Agency to guarantee bilateral nuclear safeguards.

Train stations are open and passenger trains are rolling again in Germany as union officials representing 260-thousand striking eastern German rail workers resumed talks with management. The strike paralyzed the eastern German rail system for two days, and still hampers freight train service. The union wants planned cuts in the workforce to be subject to negotiation and it wants pay raises similar to those of its western German counterparts.

The Peruvian-born wife of Polish presidential candidate Stanislaw Tyminski says her husband's political aspirations first surfaced four or five years ago when he wrote a book on his views. But it was NOT published until last July. In it, Tyminski writes of a plan to save Poland's economy by concentrating on gaps in world markets that Polish products can fill.

A U-S ambassador has taken up residence in Lebanon for the first time in more than one year. Newly confirmed Ambassador Ryan Crocker flew by helicopter from Cyprus to Beirut and has moved into the closely guarded U-S Embassy in east Beirut. His return follows a three-day sweep of the area by a U-S security team which decided it is safe for the ambassador to move into the embassy.

Bob Hope says he's having trouble tracking down President Bush to solve a dilemma with plans for Hope's Christmas show for American troops in Saudi Arabia. Hope told a Houston newspaper that he has been told by administration officials that he should just shake hands with the troops, and that the usual ''entertainment'' is out because of Saudi customs. But Hope says ''our guys want girls'' and, besides, his troupe is NOT performing for the Saudis. Hope says Barbara Eden, Vic Damone and Diahann Carroll have volunteered their time... and that he hopes to get singer-dancer Paula Abdul to take part.

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (NOV. 28) UPI - Blacks outraged by a white

extremist group's weekend attack on black children in the northern town of Louis Trichardt began boycotting the town's white-owned businesses Wednesday.

Many shopowners reported business down by more then 80 percent, suggesting a near total boycott by blacks invoking one of their most powerful weapons of peaceful protest against South Africa's apartheid policies.

The boycott came a day after President Frederik de Klerk and African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela met in Pretoria but failed to resolve their differences over the ANC's right to stage public marches, rallies and boycotts and other mass protests.

The ANC, which suspended its guerrilla war against white rule but insists on the right to continue with peaceful protests, Wednesday accused the government of blackmail by refusing to release political prisoners until the ANC suspends all forms of protest.

A statement said the black majority was left with ''no option but to continue with mass action'' until apartheid is eradicated.

Khaki-clad whites wearing uniforms of the neo-Nazi white supremacy movement attacked about 400 black children on a church outing Saturday in the town park chasing them with sticks and whips, according to community church leaders.

Police announced formation of a special investigating team but no arrests have been made in the town, whose council is controlled by the right-wing Conservative Party.

Officials said 30 to 40 men were involved in the attack but they were unable to confirm reports that several children were hurt.

Senior police officials failed Monday to persuade local community activists, including ANC officials, to cancel the boycott at the start of the usually busy Christmas shopping season. It is the second black consumer boycott launched in the town this year to protest racist policies of the local authorities.

The Conservative Party, which rejects de Klerk's racial reform program, condemned the attack on the children but warned that Louis Trichardt voters have rejected integration and groups breaching the town's decision will face the consequences.

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WESTCHESTER, IL (NOV. 28) UPI - A panel of health care experts warned Wednesday the quality the quality of services offered by hospitals may suffer by 1994 because of the worsening financial situation in the health industry.

The Healthcare Financial Management Association said hospitals reported falling profitability, a weakened ability to pay for existing debt, aging physical plants and a decreasing ability to finance replacements - all signs that trouble lies ahead.

The association examined data for 1989 - the last year for which figures were available - for 1,800 hospitals and projected through the year 1994. The panel of experts said a combination of factors will exert strong negative pressure on hospitals in the next four years, including Medicare's prospective pricing system and the resulting decline in operating margins.

"Panel members are not very optimistic about the future," said Richard L. Clarke, president of the 28,000-member organization. "Productivity will have to increase and/or quality will decline if hospitals are to survive in the long run," said Christopher F. Weinheimer, a member of the association panel and senior vice president of the Medical Center Hospital of Vermont in Burlington.

The expected decline in operating margins will make it more difficult for hospitals to secure financing for projects and inhibit administrators' ability to retire debt, the panel said.

The experts said they expect occupancy rates to remain flat and those hospitals unable to husband their resources will be forced to close by the turn of the century.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 28) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.43	2.45	2.42 1/2	2.42 3/4	2.42 1/4
Mar	2.60	2.61 3/4	2.60	2.60 1/4	2.59 1/2
May	2.69 1/2	2.70 3/4	2.68 3/4	2.69 1/2	2.68
Jly	2.76	2.77	2.75	2.76 3/4	2.73
Sep	2.81	2.83	2.81	2.82 1/4	2.79 1/2
Dec	2.93	2.94	2.93	2.93 1/4	2.92
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.18 1/2	2.20 1/2	2.18 1/2	2.20 1/2	2.18 1/4
Mar	2.31 1/2	2.33 1/4	2.30 3/4	2.33	2.30
May	2.39 3/4	2.41 1/2	2.39	2.41 1/4	2.38 3/4
Jly	2.46	2.47 1/2	2.45 1/2	2.47 1/2	2.44 3/4
Sep	2.47	2.48 1/2	2.46 1/4	2.47 1/2	2.44 1/2

Dec	2.46	2.48 3/4	2.46	2.48 1/2	2.45 3/4
Mar	2.54 1/2	2.55	2.54 1/2	2.55	2.52 3/4

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.07 3/4	1.08	1.06 1/2	1.07	1.07 1/4
Mar	1.19 1/4	1.19 1/4	1.18	1.18 1/2	1.18 3/4
May	1.26	1.26	1.24 1/4	1.25	1.25 1/4
Jly	1.31 1/2	1.31 1/2	1.30	1.31	1.31 1/4
Sep	....	....	....	1.37	1.37 1/2
Dec	1.47	1.47	1.45 1/2	1.45 1/2	1.45 1/2

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Jan	5.83 1/2	5.89	5.82 1/4	5.86 1/2	5.82 1/4
Mar	5.98	6.03	5.96 1/4	6.00 3/4	5.95 3/4
May	6.11	6.15 1/4	6.09	6.13	6.08 1/4
Jly	6.21	6.26 1/4	6.19 1/2	6.24 1/2	6.19 1/4
Aug	6.24	6.26 1/2	6.21 1/2	6.25 3/4	6.20 3/4
Sep	6.14	6.17	6.13	6.16	6.09
Nov	6.12 1/2	6.14	6.09 1/2	6.12 1/4	6.11 1/4
Jan	6.24	6.26	6.24	6.24	6.21 1/2
Mar	....	....	....	6.35	6.32 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	20.85	21.50	20.76	21.35	20.84
Jan	21.10	21.77	21.05	21.61	21.13
Mar	21.42	22.10	21.42	21.93	21.47
May	21.75	22.35	21.75	22.25	21.77
Jul	22.00	22.63	21.95	22.49	21.97
Aug	22.00	22.60	22.00	22.40	21.90
Sep	21.95	22.55	21.95	22.45	21.90
Oct	22.50	22.55	....	22.52	21.90
Dec	21.99	22.45	21.99	22.45	22.00
Jan	22.35	22.45	....	22.40	21.95

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	173.00	173.80	170.00	170.20	172.60
Jan	176.00	176.50	173.10	173.20	175.00
Mar	179.70	180.40	177.70	177.80	178.70
May	182.50	182.80	180.60	180.80	181.30
Jul	185.00	186.00	183.80	183.90	184.00
Aug	186.50	186.50	185.00	185.00	185.50
Sep	185.50	185.50	184.50	184.70	184.00
Oct	184.50	184.50	182.00	182.70	183.50
Dec	186.00	186.00	183.50	185.10	186.00
Jan	184.00	185.00	....	184.50	184.50

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Gold futures closed Wednesday 10 to 30 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	384.50	386.70	384.30	385.70	385.80
Jan	387.40	....	....	387.40	387.60
Feb	387.80	389.70	387.30	388.60	388.90
Apr	391.40	392.80	390.70	391.90	392.10
Jun	394.80	396.50	394.50	395.40	395.50
Aug	398.60	....	....	398.60	398.70
Oct	401.00	402.00	401.00	402.00	402.10
Dec	404.30	405.40	404.30	405.40	405.50
Feb	409.00	....	....	408.90	409.00
Apr	412.30	....	....	412.20	412.30
Jun	415.90	....	....	415.90	416.00
Aug	419.90	....	....	419.90	420.00

Open interest: 110,160 off 1,373.

Estimated sales: 43,000 contracts.

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#90332u1326 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

LONG BEACH, CA (NOV. 28) UPI - McDonnell Douglas Corp., the nation's biggest defense contractor, said Wednesday that it would be able to adhere to a $6.57 billion ceiling in developing and producing the first six C-17 cargo jets. The company downplayed a published report it would incur a $500 million cost overrun on the project.

"We continue to believe that we will not exceed the ceiling," said Donald Hanson, spokesman for Douglas Aircraft Co., the McDonnell Douglas unit that is building the C-17 for the Air Force at its plant in Long Beach, Calif.

The Los Angeles Times reported Wednesday that an internal Air Force study has estimated that Douglas will spend $7.1 billion - to complete development and production of the first six planes under what is a fixed-price contract.

The contractor, which expects to begin flight testing on the planes next year, has also disclosed that it will need payment on unspecified claims from the Air Force to break even on the contract.

In a recent filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the contractor said it has already reversed $93 million in profits on the C-17, and plans to recover $125 million from the Air Force on claims in order to break even on the contract.

If the estimates are correct, they could force McDonnell Douglas into serious

trouble, since the St. Louis-based aerospace giant is already carrying a debt load of about $3 billion and has been reporting disappointing earnings.

The study, conducted by Brig. Gen. John Nauseef, was initiated after the Air Force suspended progress payments in July for work on the plane, which is designed to ferry troops and cargo to areas with short runways. The Air Force plans to order 120 C-17s, which would bring the contract's price tag to about $30 billion.

The company said the Air Force subsequently resumed making progress payments in late September, but it is not clear if the company's entire request is being met.

Air Force spokesman Robert Perry said Wednesday that he could not confirm the $7.1 billion estimate from the study, because it is not yet completed. "It would be inappropriate for me to comment about the figure until the study is complete," Perry said.

Lawrence Harris, an aerospace analyst with Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards in Los Angeles, said that he is "cautious" about whether the company can meet the break-even number.

"It's quite likely that a certain number of design changes will have to be made, which can drive the price up," Harris said. "You can do all the studies in a wind tunnel, but we don't know how its going to fly until it's in the air so that's a concern."

"We also don't yet know what type of learning curve will go on once it goes into production - that is, how much can the number of manufacturing hours be cut," Harris said. "That will really determine how much production units are going to cost."

"Either side could be right, but caution is warranted because the unforeseen can always occur," Harris said. "Cost estimation is an art, not a science. There are always some surprises."

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	385.00 off 2.00
Morning fixing	384.75 off 0.25
Afternoon fixing	385.00 unchanged
Close	385.00 unchanged
Paris	385.35 up 1.14

Zurich	386.50 up 2.00
Hong Kong	387.40 up 2.10
New York	
Comex spot Dec close	385.70 off 0.10
Republic cash	385.00 off 0.25
Handy and Harman	385.00 up 1.20

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 386.30 up 1.20 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 405.62 up 1.27 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.125 up 0.023
Republic cash	4.145 up 0.025

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.105 per fine ounce unchanged.

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.135 up 0.01 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.424 up 0. 01.

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 431.00 up 6.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 531.00 up 6.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 95.00 up 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 110.00 up 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday unchanged to 11 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.98	9.99	9.82	9.98	9.98
May	9.90	10.02	9.86	10.02	9.98
Jly	9.91	10.04	9.88	10.04	9.99
Oct	9.91	10.04	9.89	10.03	9.99
Mar	9.92	....	....	10.12	10.01

Estimated sales: 10,170 contracts

Open interest: 109,388 off 1,174

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.99

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 3 points higher to 5 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.07	23.12	23.06	23.07	23.12
Mar	23.10	23.10	23.07	23.07	23.10
May	23.14	23.14	23.12	23.13	23.13
Jly	23.14	23.14	23.12	23.12	23.13
Sep	23.08	23.08	23.08	23.10	23.09
Nov	22.95	....	....	23.00	22.97
Jan	23.05	....	....	23.05	23.05

Estimated sales: 701 contracts
Open interest: 12,305 off 21

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BOSTON (NOV. 28) UPI - The state Aeronautics Commission has narrowed to 11 the potential sites for a second major area airport to help handle an anticipated overflow from crowded Logan International Airport, The Boston Globe reported Wednesday.

The commission said its original list of 182 possible sites was first reduced to 32 and then to 11. "These 11 locations are currently the best site opportunities," said James B. King, commission chairman.

Four of the sites are at two military installations - two at Fort Devens in Ayer, Mass. and two at the former Otis Air Force Base on Cape Cod. The other locations include two sites in Plymouth, including a tract owned by Digital Equipment Corp; one in Fall River-Freetown; one at Freetown-Lakeville; one in Douglas-Uxbridge; one in Middleboro; and one in Winchendon, all in Massachusetts.

King said the state must take action in the 1990s to secure enough land and regulatory approval to open a new airport by 2010. A report by the New England Council last month said that by 2010, the region's air passenger and air cargo load will be too much for Logan to handle, and that smaller airports cannot relieve the pressure.

King said a new facility would have to be able to accommodate 20 million to 30 million passengers a year. He said 23 million will use Logan this year.

The commission's blue-ribbon panel set up to study the second-airport siting process plans to hold three public meetings on the 11 proposed sites next month, said Betty Desrosiers, project director for the Aeronautics Commission.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - The gang rape of a woman jogger outraged the public more than any crime since the Lindbergh baby kidnapping, but police under pressure to make arrests apprehended the wrong people, a defense lawyer told the jury Wednesday.

''The ravaging of this woman took place at another time and in another place in Central Park,'' said Howard Diller, whose client, Kevin Richardson, 16, is on trial with Kharey Wise, 16, on charges of rape and attempted murder.

They were among six youths indicted in the April 19, 1989, crime spree through a moonlit Central Park. The pack was accused of randomly attacking joggers and bicyclists, including the 30-year-old investment banker who was raped, beaten into a coma and left for dead in a muddy gully.

''This is a crime not only uninvolving him,'' Diller said pointing to his hulking client, ''but also uninvolving any of the names (of co- defendants) that have come up.''

He told the jury the youths were wrongly arrested by police trying to quickly solve the high-publicity case. The public pressure in 1989 was as intense as the nationwide outrage in 1932 over the kidnapping of Charles Lindbergh's baby son, Diller said.

''(The jogger) was the Charles Lindbergh Junior of 1989,'' Diller declared.

He noted the Lindbergh family was famous and had won the public's respect. The jogger, a Yale business school graduate and whiz kid at Salomon Brothers, also proved to be a lightning rod for praise.

''This city has a great deal of respect for those in the banking industry and for the elite who jog and ride,'' Diller said.

New Yorkers were horrified when, after a long day at work, she jogged into the park and was beaten so badly doctors thought she might die.

In their haste to close the sensational case, police rounded up black and Hispanic youths who live near the park, including Richardson, Diller said.

''(They) had to come up with perpertrators. The community demanded it,'' Diller told the seven-woman, five-man jury at state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

''What you all have to decide is whether in trying to get the perps, they got the right perps,'' he added.

In the Lindbergh case, the baby was found dead two months after he was kidnapped from the mansion near Princeton, N.J. Bruno Hauptmann was convicted in the case and was later executed. However, the controversy over the case has never stilled and recently two best-selling books proclaiming Hauptman's

innocence have fanned the flames.

Summations in the eight-week Central Park rape trial could stretch into Friday. The jury was expected to begin deliberations late this week.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 28) UPI - Major league baseball's annual winter meetings, being held separately from the minor league meetings because of a rift between the two sides, begin Monday but the trading which usually spices these proceedings may be absent.

That's because more than 80 free agents are still available with more possibly joining the ranks in January on a second-look basis because of prior collusion on the part of owners. General managers therefore are expected to sort through the pile before parting with any of their own players.

''There may not be any trades at the meetings but maybe we can set the groundwork for future trades,'' said Chicago Cubs president Don Grenesko, whose ballclub already dipped into the free agent pool to grab left-handed pitcher Danny Jackson.

More than 800 people are expected to gather over the weekend at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare for the meetings, which runs through next Wednesday.

Commissioner Fay Vincent will address the group Monday, followed by a Rule 5 draft. The American League and National League owners' meeting will be held Tuesday, while the joint major league owners meeting is scheduled for Wednesday.

Because the closing date of the winter meetings no longer corresponds to the deadline for interleague trading, most activity is expected to center on free agent signings. Changes in major league waivers, included in the Basic Agreement in 1985, moved the trading deadline to July 31.

Last year's winter meetings in Nashville established a record for number of transactions with 28 (five trades and 23 player signings), involving 40 players. Forty-five players were involved in 23 deals at the 1988 meetings in Atlanta.

The free agents available include American League Cy Young winner Bob Welch, who is being aggressively lured by the Chicago White Sox and new general manager Ron Schueler; 1987 AL Most Valuable Player George Bell; and St. Louis speedster Vince Coleman.

Pittsburgh's Zane Smith has received bids from several ballclubs seeking pitching help, and if recent offers are any indication, he can name his price.

The Cubs inked Jackson, who was 6-6 last season for Cincinnati and on the disabled list three times, to a four-year, $10.5 million deal, while the San Francisco Giants signed Bud Black to a four- year, $10 million contract.

The major league representatives also are expected to discuss the growing rift between themselves and the minor league system, which is holding its own winter meeting in Los Angeles at the same time.

The issues still unsettled are the length of years covered by the new agreement between the majors and minor league teams, the amount of games the minor leagues should play each season, the amount of revenue the majors want from the minors and an understanding as to the Baseball Commissioner's power.

''The control sought by the majors is already there,'' said Mike Moore, chief administrative officer of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, the governing body of minor league baseball. ''The difference is that the minors would have the first crack at enforcement of the rules. And the minor leagues will continue to recognize continued authority of the commissioner.''

No new talks were scheduled.

Major league teams will try to bolster their ranks in Monday's Rule 5 draft. Players left unprotected may be selected for $50,000. The selection rules provide that the player must remain on the drafting team's active major league roster during the following season or be offered back to the original club at half the original price.

The draft order is based on reverse order of finish in 1990, with the two leagues alternating. Atlanta will pick first, followed by the New York Yankees St. Louis, Minnesota, Houston, Milwaukee, San Diego, Kansas City, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Chicago Cubs, Seattle, Montreal, Cleveland, San Francisco, Detroit, Los Angeles, California, Cincinnati, Texas, New York Mets, Toronto, Pittsburgh, Boston, Chicago White Sox and Oakland.
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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - Declaring ''the status quo of centralized bureaucracy is not working for the people,'' President Bush signed a $24.8 billion housing bill Wednesday creating an additional 360,000 units of affordable housing.

At an East Room ceremony to sign the mammoth bill, Bush noted that the legislation also represents a significant shift in policy, handing state and local governments a much larger role in making housing decisions.

''It's the people who have the best answers for themselves and their families, not the government,'' Bush said. ''It puts power in the hands of people.''

The White House said the bill authorizes spending $24.8 billion for housing programs in fiscal 1991 - nearly a 70 percent increase over the previous year - and $27.1 billion in 1992.

The cornerstone of the legislation is a new program, HOME Investment Partnerships, a block grant program to provide $1 billion in seed money in the next fiscal year to communities for housing construction, rehabilitation and rental assistance.

Aiming to keep the federal government out of the construction business, the administration had objected to including money for new housing construction, but got its way with inclusion of Housing and Urban Development Secretary Jack Kemp's HOPE program, which would allow selling off public housing projects to tenants.

Bush pointed to that program, telling those assembled for the signing ceremony: ''These are the people who will help us meet our goal of 1 million new homeowners by 1992.

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House Banking Chairman Henry Gonzalez, D-Texas, a major player in formulating the new policy, attended the function. He has called the measure ''the first major, comprehensive housing legislation in more than a decade.''

In addition to providing greater housing opportunities to the poor, the bill creates the National Housing Trust to subsidize downpayments and mortages for first-time home buyers with middle incomes. It also authorizes $123 million in fiscal 1991 for housing programs for people with AIDS and, for the elderly, would place a new emphasis on combining housing with social services, such as transportation and meals, to keep them living independently.

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LONDON (NOV. 28) UPI - Prime Minister John Major made extensive changes Wednesday to the administration he inherited from Margaret Thatcher, cobbling together a ''Cabinet of all talents'' and asking former rival Michael

Heseltine to sort out the controverial poll tax.

Heseltine, 57, was made environment secretary, which will put him in charge of reviewing the head tax that he bitterly criticized in the campaign that brought down the longest ruling prime minister of the 20th century.

Norman Lamont, 48, was boosted from deputy to chief of the Treasury to fill the post vacated by Major, 47. The prime minister's campaign manager must get the domestic economy in shape before a general election is called within 20 months.

The urgent task of restoring faith in the Conservative Party after a bruising month of political warfare was handed to former Environment Secretary Chris Patten. As chairman of the Conservative Party, he is to lead the Tories into a fourth consecutive general election victory.

Signalling a desire for continuity in foreign policy with the Persian Gulf crisis threatening to escalate, Major said he would keep leadership opponent Douglas Hurd, 60, as foreign secretary, and Tom King, 57, as defense secretary.

Eight changes were made among about 20 Cabinet-level posts. The figure is flexible, and additional shifts were expected.

Heseltine's appointment was aimed at mending the rift in the party and followed through on Major's promise to appoint ''a Cabinet of all talents.''

Major's selection of Heseltine to craft changes to the poll tax indicated he was willing to consider a major overhaul of a plan he has defended.

Some detractors took perverse pleasure in Heseltine's assignment.

''The wages of sin may not be death but they could be the reform of the poll tax,'' one bitter Thatcher supporter said, suggesting that Heseltine deserved the job of resolving one of the party's ugliest problems.

The flat rate imposed to cover the cost of local services has been condemned as regressive. More than a million Scots refused to pay it and violent demonstrations have been staged against it in England.

The posting marks a return to government for Heseltine, who resigned four years ago, alleging Thatcher had tried to undermine her Cabinet during an attempt to save Britain's only helicopter manufacturer.

Lamont's career has followed in Major's jetstream. He succeeded the prime minister as chief secretary to Treasury and before that was financial secretary and oversaw the selloffs of state industries such as British Petroleum and British Steel.

The new chief secretary to the Treasury is David Mellor, who also was part of Major's campaign team.

Succeeding Mellor as arts minister is the former government chief whip, Tim Renton. The new chief whip is Richard Ryder, who was promoted from within the office.

Kenneth Baker was shunted aside as party leader and will be Home secretary. He had a rough run, having to explain away by-election and local election losses, the resignations of two key Cabinet ministers and the gaping chasms on European policy within the party.

While Patten and Major are the same age and have long been viewed as potential rivals for the premiership, they work well together and Major recognized him as an eloquent disciple of the Conservative philosophy.

Former Home Secretary David Waddington is now leader of the House of Lords, succeeding Lord David Belstead, who is leaving government.

Malcolm Rifkind was named Transport secretary to replace Cecil Parkinson, 59, a friend of Thatcher's who resigned. Rifkind will be replaced as Scottish secretary by Ian Lang, a junior minister in the department who campaigned on behalf of Major.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $4 higher to $10 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.80 cent higher to 0.35 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.60 cent higher to 0.20 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.15 cent higher to 0.12 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.10 to $0.30 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.60 to $3.70 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.65 cent to 1.15 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 2.3 to 3.1 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - unchanged to 0.011 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Slightly higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Slightly higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Dollar - Slightly higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Slightly lower.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 2 1/4 to 3, soybeans up 1 to 7, wheat up 1/2 to 3 3/4 and oats unchanged to down 1/2.

Cattle trade - 50 cents lower; top $81.00.

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#90332u1427 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - Diplomatic eyes are watching China today as that country's foreign minister is hinting that Beijing will abstain from voting on the U-N Security Council resolution authorizing force against Iraq. The vote is expected to take place at the U-N tomorrow. The envoy however did NOT flatly rule out a Chinese veto.

Margaret Thatcher says she's happy to be leaving Britain in better shape than

when she first became its prime minister more than 11 years ago. The country's new political leader, Prime Minister John Major, is enjoying his first day at Number 10 Downing Street. He pledged today to get to work immediately.

The Nobel Prize committee in Oslo, Norway, says Soviet President Gorbachev can send a representative in his place to accept the Peace Prize. The Tass news agency says Gorbachev will NOT attend the December 10th ceremony because he wants to work on problems at home. He won the prize for reforms that allowed Democracy to spread across Eastern Europe.

Police in Paris say they've found some of the more than five-Million dollars in stolen art. Daring thieves drove off with a truckload of work by Old Masters. The trucker had stopped at a cafe and left the keys on the dashboard. But police say the culprits abandoned most of the haul hours later.

Federal immigration authorities say a Pennsylvania restaurant owner has been fined nine-thousand dollars and put on probation for hiring five illegal aliens to work as kitchen help. The owner of the restaurant in Douglassville was sentenced as part of a plea agreement for hiring five Guatemalans.

Severe weather hit the Mississippi Valley and northern Midwest today, bringing a bizarre combination of snow, thunderstorms and record high temperatures. Missouri Governor John Ashcroft spent the day inspecting damage from storms and tornadoes that injured 30 people and destroyed homes.

New York's attorney general says telephone ''party line'' operators hired employees to pose as callers who tried to prolong conversations, increasing the cost to consumers. He says employees were told to engage in ''elaborate charades, including assuming different personalities and disguising their voices'' to keep callers on the line and phone revenues up. Two operators and their five companies were fined 25-thousand dollars and and agreed to provide refunds or billing credits to consumers who called the lines between September 1987 and August 1989.

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#90332u1444 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - A single gunshot was fired early Wednesday through the window of a Manhattan newsstand - after a gang of men had warned the store's owner to stop selling copies of the strikebound Daily News, police said. No arrests were made, and no one was injured, authorities said.

Azeem Ali, owner of Kumar News, at 591 Ninth Ave. at 44th Street, said he was warned right after the strike began not to sell the News, but has been selling more than 200 copies a day during the month-long strike without incident. "I never missed a day" during the strike, he said.

On Wednesday at 4:45 a.m., however, Ali said a gang of as many as 15 men

confronted him on the street just as bundle of papers was dropped off, warning him to stop selling the News.

"One guy comes out of a car, in front of the store and shoots a gun," Ali said. The store's glass window was blown out, but no other damage was reported.

Ali said News management had sent a representative to the store after the incident. "If the Daily News gives me security, I might continue to sell (the News), but without security, I won't sell anymore," Ali said. News management could not immediately be reached for comment Wednesday.

In two other strike-related incidents of violence Wednesday, police reported a News delivery truck and security van in Queens were set upon by a gang of men brandishing golf clubs, who smashed the van's windows and set fire to newspapers, and another Manhattan newsstand had its locks jammed with a tar-like substance.

The Hudson News Station, at 2 Penn Plaza in Midtown, reported its gate locks had been vandalized between 1 a.m. and 6 a.m., police said. And the News driver and a security van were attacked at about 4 a.m. at Queens Boulevard and Elliot Avenue by approximately 17 men carrying golf clubs, police said.

The truck driver fled, but the security van had its windows smashed and the gang then set fire to newspapers placed in the street, police said. No injuries were reported and no arrests were made, police said.

Wednesday's incidents pushed the number of reported strike-related arsons, bombings, vandalism, assaults, and brawls to more than 230 since the strike began Oct. 25, with 107 arrests, police said.

News publisher James Hoge has blamed striking union members with organizing a campaign of violence and intimidation against News replacement workers and newsstand dealers, a claim union officials have vehemently denied.

At a hearing Monday on strike-related violence before several state legislators, top police brass refuted Hoge's claim, testifying they have found no evidence of a conspiracy and the acts all appeared to be random.

News management has blamed the violence with scaring away its largest advertisers, including the tabloid's "big three" of Macy's, A&S and Alexander's.

Striking ad employees at the Newspaper Guild said the paper has been left with only 40 of its 615 pre-strike advertisers. The most recent advertisers to pull out of the paper are The Wiz, Consumers Catalogue Showrooms, Newmark and Lewis R&S Strauss, and Jennifer Convertibles, union officials said Wednesday.

Also Wednesday, the second edition of the "Real News," a paper put out by

striking News workers, began hitting the streets with stories by reporters covering their old beats.

The second edition of the strikers' paper contained what the unions said were a series of exclusive reports, including one story of the Dinkins administration's plans to shut seven firehouses to help close the budget gap. The first issue had dealt only with strike-related matters from the unions' point of view.

About 2,500 members of the Guild and eight unions represented by the Allied Printing Trades Council walked off their jobs at the News Oct. 25 after ten months of fruitless contract negotiations. Since then there have been sporadic talks between union negotiators and managment with federal mediators in attendance.

Before the strike, The News, founded in 1919, was the largest-circulation local newspaper in New York. It is owned by the Tribune Co., the Chicago-based publishing, broadcasting and entertainment conglomerate.

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#90332u1481 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1020.6
Tuesday	1022.9
Week ago	1017.2
Month ago	1025.5
Year ago	1079.0
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1017.2

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#90332u1516 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	66 7-8	up	1-4
AT&T Company	31 3-4	off	1-2
BCE Inc	33 1-2	unch	
Bell Atlantic	53 1-8	unch	
BellSouth Corp	53	off	1-8
Exxon Corp	50 1-4	off	1-8
Ford Motor Co	27 1-8	up	1-8
Genl Electric	52 5-8	off	7-8
General Motors	37 3-4	up	3-8
GTE Corp	28 3-8	up	1-8

IBM Corp	112	3-8	off	1 1-8
Mobil Oil Corp	58	5-8	off	1-4
Nynex Corp	69	3-8	off	5-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24	3-8	unch	
Pacific Telesis	44	3-8	unch	
Phila Electric	16	1-2	unch	
Sears Roebuck	25	1-8	unch	
Southern Co	26	3-8	off	1-8
Sthwestern Bell	54	3-8	up	3-4
US West Inc	37	1-2	off	1-8

-30- 1049

#90332u1529 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

SACRAMENTO, CA (NOV. 28) UPI - Ruling that prosecutors had produced enough evidence for a trial, a judge Wednesday refused to dismiss charges against a landlady accused of murdering nine of her boardinghouse tenants.

Attorneys for Dorothea Puente, 61, argued that a lower court judge erred when she bound Puente over for trial after a week-long preliminary hearing.

They argued there was no evidence that the seven decomposed corpses unearthed from Puente's yard in November 1988 or of two other tenants had been the victims of foul play, much less that Puente had killed them.

The case of the ''F Street'' landlady drew national attention when police began digging up the remains of the mostly elderly tenants. At first, the demure, grandmotherly Puente was so far above suspicion that authorities escorted her from her boardinghouse through a throng of television cameras and on-lookers so she could visit a relative.

Instead, she fled to Los Angeles, where she was arrested a few days later.

She is accused of drugging her victims so she could cash their Social Security and disability checks.

Along with the murders of the seven people unearthed from her yard, she is charged with the 1982 death by overdose of one tenant and the death of another whose body was discovered on New Year's Day 1986 in a wooden box along the Sacramento River.

''What's really being said here is, 'You have bodies, there must be a murderer' without any credible evidence of the circumstances of the death,'' defense attorney Kevin Clymo said in arguments Wednesday before Superior Court Judge Jack Sapunor.

He argued that, because prosecutors had no eyewitness who saw Puente drug tenants and no evidence that she buried the bodies, the charges should be

dismissed. Clymo argued that many of the victims were heavy drinkers and smokers and could have died of natural causes.

Because Puente had once been sent to prison for drugging and robbing elderly victims, she could have been fearful she would be suspected of wrongdoing if she reported the deaths of tenants to the authorities, Clymo contended.

But the judge agreed with Muncipal Court Judge Gail Ohanesian, who had conducted the preliminary hearing, that prosecutors had presented sufficient evidence to justify a trial.

Sapunor said that defense lawyers had overstated the health problems of victims. Although most were elderly and some were heavy drinkers and smokers, none had life-threatening conditions, the judge said.

He also said there is evidence that Puente purchased Dalmane, a tranquilizer found in the victims' bodies, and that she profited by cashing the victims' Social Security checks.

The trial is scheduled to begin March 13.

Puente, who was not in court Wednesday, has been jailed without bail since her arrest two years ago. She faces the death penalty if convicted.

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#90332u1539 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 15 points higher to 12 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	75.25	75.72	75.25	75.50	75.54
Mar	74.11	74.24	73.90	73.91	74.03
May	73.65	73.80	73.60	73.67	73.65
Jly	73.75	73.85	73.65	73.67	73.61
Oct	67.80	67.80	67.80	67.73	67.68
Dec	65.35	65.38	65.18	65.30	65.18
Mar	65.80	....	....	66.05	65.90
May	66.20	....	....	66.50	66.50

Estimated sales: 3,200 contracts
Open interest: 39,905 off 257
The World spot average: 69.15

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#90332u1542 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2535.15	off	8.66
20 Trans	831.18	off	7.95
15 Utils	209.26	up	0.13
65 Stocks	880.02	off	3.70

-30- 330

#90332u1556 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Wednesday - $41,210,000

1990 to date - $9,998,631,000

-30- 263

#90332u1565 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - More people in the United States died in 1988 than in any one year on record as deaths due to AIDS, homicide and influenza rose while mortality from heart disease, stroke and cancer declined, according to a federal study.

In its Final Mortality Statistics, the Centers for Disease Control's National Center for Health Statistics reported 2,167,999 deaths in 1988 - 44,676 more than the number recorded in 1987, the previous record year for annual deaths.

The report said population growth, the ''aging'' of the population and an outbreak of influenza were contributing factors.

During the one-year period, there was a 20 percent increase in the the death rate for AIDS, an 8 percent increase for pneumonia and influenza and a 5 percent rise in the death rate due to homicide. The 1988 homicide rate of 9 deaths per 100,000 persons was slightly lower than the record high in 1980.

Death from heart disease was down 1.9 percent, stroke was down 2 percent and cancer mortality declined 0.2 percent, the report said.

''As we succeed in reducing mortality from the leading causes of death, we must address the increasing risk from homicide and HIV infection (which causes acquired immune deficiency syndrome),'' said William Roper, director of the Centers for Disease Control.

''I am convinced that the health education and prevention efforts, which served so well in combating chronic disease, can also be effective in helping us deal with these new threats,'' he said.

In a speech at Yale University Wednesday, Health Secretary Louis Sullivan harped on a similar theme, urging individuals to adopt a ''renewed sense of personal responsibility.''

''For the harsh truth is that a high percentage of the disease and disability afflicting the American people is a consequence of unwise choices of behavior and lifestyle,'' the secretary said.

Overall life expectancy at birth was set at 74.9 years in 1988. Provisional data for 1989 showed improvement, up to 75.2 years.

Life expectancy in 1988 for whites remained unchanged from the previous year at 75.6 years. However, it declined for the black population to 69.2 years, continuing a downward trend observed since 1984.

Overall, blacks had age-adjusted death rates that exceeded those of whites by 50 percent.

Blacks had higher rates for most of the leading causes of death. The homicide death rate for blacks was six times that for whites and the AIDS death rate for blacks was three times that for whites.

However, deaths due to suicide and chronic obstructive lung disease were more prevalent among whites.

Heart disease and cancer were the two leading causes of death for Hispanics as well as non-Hispanics living in areas concentrated by that minority.

Other 1988 highlights:

-10,917 persons died of drug-induced deaths, or 4.2 deaths per 100, 000 population, up 11 percent from 1987.

-18,872 persons died of alcohol-induced deaths, or a rate of 7 deaths per 100,000, up 3 percent from 1987. However, the rate decreased 15 percent between 1979 and 1988.

-38,910 deaths of infants under 1 year old, or 10 deaths per 1,000 live births and the lowest rate ever recorded in the United States. Among black infnats, the rate was 17.6 per 1,000, about twice that for white infants - 8.5. The Hispanic infant mortality rate was 8.1 per 1, 000.

-310 women died of maternal causes, up from 251 in 1987. These causes included toxemia, ectopic pregnancy and other complications of pregnancy and childbirth.

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#90332u1567 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	173.91	up	0.04
ASE Market Value Index	298.97	up	1.97

Dow-Jones Industrial 2535.15 off 8.66

-30- 325
#90332u1568 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:
Stocks - 12,670,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,071,267,010
Bonds - $4,080,000
1990 to date - $680,768,000

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#90332u1571 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 299.07, low 297.08, close 298.97, up 1.97.

There was a gain of 7 cents in the average share price.

Volume 12,670,000 shares, compared with 13, 060,000 Tuesday.
What the AMEX Market Did
New Highs 10
New Lows 30
Advances 300
Declines 250
Unchanged 244
Total Issues 794

-30- 549
#90332u1581 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (NOV. 28) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Wednesday - 9,790,000
1990 to date - 2,259,475,000

The market closed mixed.

-30- 296
#90332u1587 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Centocor	(CNTO)	140,160,512	44 3/4	up 1/2
Microsoft	(MSFT)	74,809,688	70 3/8	off 1 1/2

MCI Comm	(MCIC)	66,568,232	19 7/8	up	1/8
Apple Cptr	(AAPL)	54,359,100	36 3/4	off	3/4
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	36,341,000	30 1/2	up	1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	35,312,076	37 3/4	up	5/8
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	32,576,484	57	up	1/4
Medco Rsch	(MEDR)	29,353,282	29 3/8	up	3/8
Tele-Com A	(TCOM)	27,804,822	12 1/8	up	1/8
Sun Micro	(SUNW)	26,872,376	19 7/8	up	1/4

Composite Index 156.35 up 0.47

NMS volume 107,801,504 shares.

Advances	817
Declines	636
Unchanged	1,321
Total	2,774

-30- 1005

#90332u1606 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

BALTIMORE (NOV. 28) UPI - General Motors Corp. is indefinitely laying off 300 of its 3,500 workers at the Broening Highway minivan plant because of projections of continued depressed sales, executives were quoted saying in a newspaper report Wednesday. Management said the layoffs begin Jan. 22, and may reduce the output of the Baltimore plant by more than ten percent.

Rodney Trump, president of the area's United Auto Workers union local, said the plant's managers and labor representatives have not discussed the numbers or specifics of the layoffs.

But Trump said most of the laid-off workers probably would have at least five years' seniority at the plant. He told The Baltimore Sun in Wednesday's editions that plant officials told him they planned to slow the assembly line from 47 vans to 42 vans an hour.

GM executives said the 47-van-an-hour line would be slowed, but declined to say by how much.

-30- 1124

#90332u1617 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.41	up 0.13
10 Public Utils	92.63	up 0.15
10 Industrials	88.19	up 0.10

-30- 352
#90332u1619 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2544.31	2564.60	2521.04	2535.15	off 8.66
20 Trans	834.50	842.27	824.52	831.18	off 7.95
15 Utils	209.13	210.64	208.19	209.26	up 0.13
65 Stock	882.60	889.81	874.66	880.02	off 3.70

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	14,648,600	18,562,800
Trans	3,324,700	2,508,100
Utils	2,376,500	2,025,300
65 Stock	20,349,800	23,096,200

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.41	up 0.13
10 Public Utils	92.63	up 0.15
10 Industrials	88.19	up 0.10

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 124.83 up 0.12.

-30- 921
#90332u1622 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - The dollar strengthened Wednesday, restored as a result of remarks to Congress by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan indicating concern about the weak dollar and about restraining inflation.

Traders said the U.S. currency moved up handily across the board on what the foreign-exchange market saw as a bit of subtle jawboning by the Fed chief and a hint that American interest rates will not go through the floor.

Greenspan acknowledged the domestic economy is weakening, but he declined to say it was in recession. He sent an indirect message to financial markets that the Fed would continue to fight inflation while accommodating growth.

In plain English, that meant the Fed would not press ahead immediately with an easing of interest rates. This helped the dollar, as rising interest rates in Germany and elsewhere have lured away fickle investors seeking higher yields.

"Ever since then, it's been up, up and away," one New York trader said of the effect of Greenspan's comments. This forced traders to cover "short" positions

as prior commitments to sell the dollar are known, by buying the currency.

In late New York trading, the dollar stood at 1.4855 German marks, up from 1.48 marks Tuesday, and 130.05 Japanese yen, up from 128.20.

Lou Rappaport, Societe Generale's chief dollar trader, said Greenspan's comments could signal a slightly firmer dollar stance. A weak dollar can boost exports but can also fuel inflation by making imported goods more expensive.

"The market has been looking for some time to pick a bottom for the dollar," Rappaport said. And while this doesn not signal a major dollar turnaround, he said, there may be a reassessment going on as to how low it ought to go. Rappaport added that the dollar could be helped as currency players grow more cautious in thin - and therefore volatile - trading at year's end.

The British pound slipped to $1.97 from $1.9830. Other New York dollar rates: 1.2700 Swiss francs, up from 1.2590; 5. 0150 French francs, up from 4.9920; and 1.118 Italian lire, up from 1,110.

In European trading, the dollar closed lower but recovered from the day's lows after Greenspan voiced concern about the dollar. In earlier activity, the U.S. unit fell on poor U.S. economic data and on firming German interest rates.

"Greenspan's comments caught the market on the hop and caused a rally in the dollar," said Suresh Hiremath, a trader for Goldman Sachs in London.

In Frankfurt, the dollar closed slightly lower, at 1.4815 German marks vs.1.4840 at Tuesday's close. In Zurich, the greenback slipped to 1.2580 Swiss francs vs. 1.2595 the day before.

London was awaiting an announcement of cabinet appointments from new Prime Minister John Major, including the person to replace him as chancellor of the exchequer. The pound suffered a bit from profit-taking but closed unchanged at $1.9745.

The dollar was down in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively: 4.9880 French francs vs. 5.0190, 30.59 Belgian francs vs. 30.69 and 1,108.80 lire vs. 1,115.85.

In Tokyo, the dollar slipped to 128.90 yen from 128.95. Traders said they sold the dollar on expectations of U.S. interest rate cuts.

Gold closed higher in Zurich, at $386.50 an ounce vs. $384.50 Tuesday, but was unchanged in London at $385 an ounce.

Silver closed lower in both Zurich, at $4.12 per ounce vs. $4.15, and London, at $4.10 an ounce vs. $4.13 Tuesday.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $385 an ounce, down from $385.25 Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled the new December gold contract at $385.70 an ounce, down from $385.80.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.145 an ounce, up from $4.12. Comex silver finished trading at $4.125, up from $4.102.

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#90332u1636 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	28.65-28.75	28.30-28.35
North Sea Brent	34.65-34.75	34.70-34.75
West Texas Intermed	33.25-33.35	32.85-32.95
Light Louisiana Sweet	34.50-34.60	34.10-34.25
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	84.25-84.75	85.50-85.75
No. 2 Heating oil	91.95-92.20	90.95-91.10
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	80.60-80.80	81.75-82.00
No. 2 Heating oil	90.00-90.15	88.95-89.15

-30- 918
#90332u1638 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.82

60 to 89 days 8.27

90 to 119 days 8.13

120 to 149 days 8.02

150 to 179 days 7.90

180 to 270 days 7.81

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.78 - 7.75

Issuers 30 days 7.93

Issuers 90 days 7.82

Issuers 270 days 7.40

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.90

60 to 89 days 8.40

90 to 119 days 8.32

120 to 149 days 8.30

150 to 179 days 8.25

180 days 8.18

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 8.50 - 8.625

1 month 8 15-16 - 8 1-16

3 month 8.375 - 8.50

6 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

Year 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.07 - 7.05

6 months 7.02 - 7.00

Year 6.88 - 6.86

Federal Funds: High 8 3/8, Low 8 1/4, Close 6 1/2

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7. 819 up 0.120.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90332u1647 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
WARSAW, Poland (NOV. 28) UPI - Solidarity leader Lech Walesa urged a national television audience Wednesday to vote for him in the second round of the presidential election to overcome ''the Polish crisis''.

''I want to be president of all Poles,'' he said. ''I am looking for a platform of agreement with all.''

He said the resignation of Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, which is expected to be approved Thursday by the Parliament, has triggered a political crisis.

''The Polish crisis is big and strong forces are needed to overcome it,'' he said. ''I want to be president of victorious Polish reforms,'' Walesa said.

Mazowiecki, who lost his presidential bid in the first round of the election Sunday, offered his resignation Monday night. He was defeated by Stanislaw Tyminski, an emigre businesman from Canada.

Walesa and Tyminski will compete in a runoff Dec. 9.

Walesa promised continuation of the reforms Mazowiecki started 14 months ago - a suggestion that could prompt many Poles to vote for Tyminski.

The reforms tamed hyperinflation but dropped living standards nearly 40 percent.

Walesa attended the meeting of the Solidarity Parliamentary Caucus, which adopted a resolution supporting him.

''The OKP appeals for general participation in the election and voting for the

candidate coming from the mainstream of Solidarity,'' its statement said.

In a separate statement, Walesa called on Polish television to give a chance to Tyminski to present his views to the Polish people.

''The Poles should learn what views he has,'' he said.

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#90332u1655 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 28) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	231.25	234.20	230.60	233.25	231.50
Mar	233.30	236.10	232.90	235.35	233.60
Jun	....	....	....	237.55	235.80
Sep	....	....	....	239.95	238.20

Estimated volume: 150 contracts.

Open interest: 1,476 up 10.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	319.20	321.25	318.30	319.25	319.65
Mar	321.70	323.85	320.80	321.85	322.25
Jun	324.60	326.80	323.80	324.95	325.25
Sep	....	329.50	326.90	327.85	328.20

Estimated volume: 60,657 contracts.

Open interest: 156,030 up 262.

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	174.50	175.55	173.80	174.35	174.70
Mar	175.75	176.60	175.05	175.55	175.95
Jun	....	....	....	176.85	177.25

Open interest: 4,837 off 89.

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	538.50	540.20	534.25	535.75	538.10
Jan	538.00	541.75	536.50	537.85	540.10
Feb	538.25	542.00	537.00	537.95	540.30

Estimated volume: 3,902 contracts.

Open interest: 7,767 up 99.

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LIST: NHL CAMPBELL CONFERENCE ALL-STAR BALLOTING

42nd All-Star Game at Chicago, Jan. 19
Campbell Conference

Center 1, Wayne Gretzky, Los Angeles, 103,915. 2, Steve Yzerman, Detroit, 63,157. 3, Adam Oates, St. Louis, 33,623. 4, Jeremy Roenick, Chicago, 28,638. 5, Joe Niewendyk, Calgary, 24,764. 6, Mark Messier, Edmonton, 23,170. 7, Mike Modano, Minnesota, 10,632. 8, Ed Olczyk, Winnipeg, 8,744.

Winger 1, Brett Hull, St. Louis, 172,760. 2, Luc Robitaille, Los Angeles, 74,914. 3, Steve Larmer, Chicago, 48,031. 4, Rod Brind'Amour, St. Louis, 39,553. 5, Gerard Gallant, Detroit, 37,443. 6, Craig Simpson, Edmonton, 24,307. 7, Tomas Sandstrom, Los Angeles, 23,430. 8, Sergei Makarov, Calgary, 23,138. 9, Vincent Damphousse, Toronto, 22, 216. 10, Esa Tikkanen, Edmonton, 21,187. 11, Gary Roberts, Calgary, 20,135. 12, Trevor Linden, Vancouver, 15,028. 13, Gary Leeman, Toronto, 14,440. 14, Brian Bellows, Minnesota, 12,669. 15, Glenn Anderson, Edmonton, 11,532. 16, Pat Elynuik, Winnipeg, 7,290.

Defenseman 1, Chris Chelios, Chicago, 90,572. 2, Al MacInnis, Calgary, 78,911. 3, Scott Stevens, St. Louis, 52,099. 4, Paul Cavallini, St. Louis, 43,091. 5, Steve Duchesne, Los Angeles, 39, 282. 6, Kevin Lowe, Edmonton, 38,752. 7, Al Iafrate, Toronto, 35,729. 8, Doug Wilson, Chicago, 34,847. 9, Steve Chaisson, Detroit, 34,760. 10, Gary Suter, Calgary, 32,309. 11, Michel Petit, Toronto, 29,357. 12, Phil Housley, Winnipeg, 25,021. 13, Larry Murphy, Minnesota, 16,949. 14, Steve Smith, Edmonton, 14,417. 15, Dave Manson, Chicago 9,965. 16, Doug Lidster, Vancouver, 8,295.

Goaltender 1, Mike Vernon, Calgary, 59,669. 2, Bill Ranford, Edmonton, 46,682. 3, Kelly Hrudey, Los Angeles, 44,859. 4, Curtis Joseph, St. Louis, 43,358. 5, Kirk McLean, Vancouver, 22,722. 6, Jon Casey, Minnesota, 15,209. 7, Bob Essensa, Winnipeg, 13,501. 8, Greg Millen, Chicago, 13,253.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austral	.000196	.000197	5096.00	5081.00
Australia dlr	.7685	.7688	1.3012	1.3007
Austria schill	.0959	.0958	10.43	10.44
Belgium franc-c	.0326	.0327	30.63	30.57
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0077	.0079	130.32	127.36

Britain pound	1.9697	1.9750	.5077	.5063
Britain 1-mo	1.9598	1.9650	.5103	.5089
Britain 3-mo	1.9456	1.9506	.5140	.5127
Britain 6-mo	1.9259	1.9312	.5192	.5178
Canada dollar	.8585	.8613	1.1648	1.1610
Canada 1-mo	.8552	.8583	1.1693	1.1651
Canada 3-mo	.8506	.8531	1.1756	1.1722
Canada 6-mo	.8439	.8464	1.1850	1.1815
Chile peso-f	.003122	.003225	320.29	310.07
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001848	.001848	541.09	541.07
Denmark krne	.1759	.1755	5.6850	5.6970
Ecudr sucre-z	.001172	.001172	853.12	853.12
Egypt pound	.3601	.3601	2.7768	2.7768
Finlnd mrkka	.2822	.2817	3.5440	3.5500
France franc	.1996	.2005	5.0110	4.9875
France 1-mo	.1993	.2002	5.0173	4.9949
France 3-mo	.1988	.1997	5.0313	5.0083
France 6-mo	.1977	.1986	5.0573	5.0355
Greece drach	.006637	.006604	150.68	151.42
Hollnd guildr	.5972	.5993	1.6745	1.6685
HongKong dlr	.1283	.1284	7.7940	7.7900
India rupee	.0556	.0557	17.98	17.96
Indo'sa rupia	.000536	.000537	1864.00	1863.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7970	1.8060	0.5565	0.5537
Israel shekel	.5048	.5086	1.9810	1.9660
Italy lira	.000895	.000901	1117.25	1109.50
Japan yen	.007689	.007800	130.05	128.20
Japan 1-mo	.007695	.007809	129.95	128.05
Japan 3-mo	.007755	.007862	128.95	127.20
Japan 6-mo	.007814	.007877	127.97	126.95
Jordan dinar	1.5555	1.5533	.6429	.6438
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000343	.000343	2916.00	2917.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6092	.6111	1.6415	1.6364
Norway krne	.1728	.1729	5.7875	5.7830
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.60
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	423,550	423,550
P'pnes peso-z	.0362	.0363	27.60	27.56
Portugl escud	.007722	.007687	129.50	130.09
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5855	.5857	1.7080	1.7075
S.Africa rand	.4004	.3990	2.4972	2.5061
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010604	.010663	94.30	93.78

Sweden krona	.1797	.1803	5.5635	5.5460
Switzrl franc	.7877	.7946	1.2695	1.2585
Switzrl 1-mo	.7875	.7944	1.2698	1.2588
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7868	.7936	1.2709	1.2601
Switzrl 6-mo	.7859	.7925	1.2725	1.2618
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0369	26.74	27.09
Turkey lira	.000360	.000360	2776.00	2777.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2732	3.6632	3.6604
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0202	.0203	49.55	49.36
Germany mark	.6732	.6752	1.4855	1.4810
Germany 1-mo	.6729	.6750	1.4860	1.4814
Germany 3-mo	.6721	.6740	1.4879	1.4836
Germany 6-mo	.6701	.6720	1.4923	1.4881
Yugosl dinar	.0989	.0979	10.11	10.21

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	373.06	216.74	140.87	22.12	318.10
Opening	373.02	215.81	140.71	22.07	317.95
11 a.m.	373.60	215.60	141.06	22.16	318.53
Noon	374.32	215.54	141.32	22.27	319.20
1 p.m.	374.96	215.81	141.56	22.35	319.78
2 p.m.	374.20	215.79	141.36	22.26	319.12
3 p.m.	373.94	215.38	141.12	22.20	318.80
Close	372.84	215.03	141.20	22.06	317.95
Change	off 0.22	off 0.71	up 0.33	off 0.06	off 0.15

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ST. LOUIS (NOV. 28) UPI - Rumors that the Mississippi River is bubbling along the New Madrid Fault, where residents already are bracing themselves for a predicted earthquake next month, are just a lot of hot air, a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers spokesman said Wednesday.

The spokesman, Ken Kruchowski, said he received several calls Tuesday and Wednesday asking about reports that the river was bubbling and the corps was

closing the Mississippi to navigation.

He said the callers asked about ''bubbling in the Mississippi River somewhere, a precursor to the predicted quake along the New Madrid fault.

''Where they're getting this, I have no idea,'' an exasperated Kruchowski said. ''There's no bubbling in the river anywhere that anybody here knows about.''

The rumors are the latest aspect of what has become near-hysteria in the Midwest about a prediction by New Mexico climatologist Iben Browning, who says there is a 50-50 chance for an earthquake measuring at least 6.5 on the Richter scale in the central United States on or about Dec. 2-3.

The prediction has prompted a number of school districts in southeastern Missouri, southern Illinois, northeastern Arkansas, and adjoining areas of Tennessee and Kentucky to cancel classes early next week. City officials in Carbondale, Ill., were not allowed to take vacation next week, and other local authorities in the region are making preparations for a possible disaster.

The seismic zone takes its name from the southeastern Missouri town of New Madrid, about 150 miles southeast of St. Louis, where some of the most powerful earthquakes in the nation's history struck in 1811-12.

Kruchowski said officials of the U.S. Coast Guard had been getting similar calls asking about the reported bubbling on the river.

''The Coast Guard even checked with all of the pipeline companies to see if there were any leaks on the river,'' he said. ''There is nothing bubbling up anywhere.''

The only closure on the river is near the Municipal Docks area in the St. Louis harbor, Kruchowski said. He said that part of the river was being closed at night to allow a dredge to work in the area, where the channel is becoming too narrow.

''The tows are scheduling to take that into account,'' the corps spokesman said. ''There's no backup to my knowledge.''

Kruchowski said the corps was taking no special precautions against the possibility of a December temblor.

''We have got an earthquake task force set up,'' he said. ''We are trying to organize so that we can cope with an earthquake should it happen, because everyone is expecting a major quake sometime in the next 10 to 20 years. We figure we might as well be prepared.

''As far as December 3rd, who knows? There's no more likelihood of it

happening on December 3rd than on next July 5th.''

Earthquake experts from the National Earthquake Prediction Evaluation Council, an advisory group to the U.S. Geological Survey, released a report last month that said the scientists had found no scientific merit to Browning's prediction.

The report said a major earthquake in the New Madrid seismic zone is no more likely to occur in early December than on any other date and that the prediction should not be used as a basis for public policy.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
C&S Sovran	3,158,000	17 1/8	up 1/4
Limited Inc	1,784,800	15	up 1/8
Texas Instrument	1,605,300	31 7/8	up 1
BCE Inc	1,599,900	33 1/2	unch
Philip Morris	1,429,600	48 5/8	off 1/4
Waste Management	1,347,100	32 5/8	up 3/4
General Motors	1,319,300	37 3/4	up 3/8
IBM Corp	1,319,200	112 3/8	off 1 1/8
Citicorp	1,157,300	12 3/4	off 1/4
PepsiCo	1,151,100	25 3/8	off 5/8
Arkla Inc	1,123,600	20 1/8	up 1/2
Wal-Mart Stores	1,117,800	29 5/8	up 1/4
General Electric	1,100,700	52 5/8	off 7/8
Baxter Intl	1,086,000	27 1/4	up 1/4
MCA Inc	1,037,100	65 7/8	up 1/8

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Fruit of Loom	731,400	8 1/4	up 1/2
Contl Air Hldgs	600,300	3 1/8	off 1/8
Tubos De Acero	428,600	6 5/8	up 1/8
Energy Service	419,500	2 3/8	off 1/8
Salomon wt93Jan	347,200	19 3/8	up 1 3/8
Denmark King wt	258,200	20 3/8	up 1 1/2
Amdahl Corp	247,900	13 7/8	off 1/8

Echo Bay Mines	243,500	8 1/2	up	1/2
BAT Industries	236,100	10 15/16	off	1/4
Residential Mtg	190,000	1 3/4	up	1/8

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - There will be more large farms in coming years, plenty of small farms and lots of pressure on medium-size farmers to either get big or scale back their operations, two analysts said Wednesday.

Economists Thomas Carlin and Donn Reimund said the number of U.S. farms, which has fallen since the Depression, would continue to decline during the 1990s, but at a slower rate than recorded in the 1980s.

There are about 2.14 million farms in the United States, down 11 percent from a decade ago. Carlin and Reimund forecast a 3.5 percent drop by 1995, which would mean 2.06 million farmers and a 6 percent drop for the decade, meaning about 2.01 million farms would be in operation at the end of the century.

Their analysis, presented during the the Agriculture Department's annual Outlook Conference, was the latest pointer toward what one study has called ''an emerging dual structure'' in agriculture. In it, big farms would produce a growing share of crops and livestock while small farms, although plentiful in number, are highly dependent on off-farm jobs.

''Indeed, if we peer beneath the surface, we can see that today's farm sector closely resembles our description for the year 2000,'' said Carlin and Reimund who work for the department's Economic Research Service.

Mechanization and adoption of hybrid seeds and chemical fertilizers and pesticides were major factors in the drop of farm numbers in the 1950s and 1960s. According to the economists, farm numbers will be more heavily influenced in coming years by outside economic forces, such as interest rates and export sales.

Mid-size farms have suffered the largest losses, measured in percentage terms, among farm categories in the past two decades. From 1982-1987, small to moderate-size commercial farms accounted for 40 percent of the drop in farm numbers.

About one-fifth of U.S. farms are in that category and they account for about 17 percent of farm production.

''Operators of mid-size farms are under considerable financial pressure to either enlarge their farming operations or to scale back to a smaller part-time size,'' the economists said. ''Consolidation of mid- size farms into larger units has been a major source of growth of large commercial farms over

the past two decades.

''This farm consolidation is expected to continue, but at a somewhat slower pace in the 1990s.''

Large farms control half of the farm land in the nation and produce a torrent of food. In 1987, Carlin and Reimund said, 75,700 farms accounted for half of the market value of all agricultural products.

''There will be more large farms at the turn of the century ... and production will be even more concentrated among our nation's largest farms,'' they said, but farming still will be far less concentrated than most indutries.

Meanwhile, there will be ''a large number of small farms'' whose existence is virtually untouched by changes in farm income. For many of the owners, farming is a part-time occupation.

''The key to their staying power is going to depend on the vitality of the rural nonfarm economy,'' Carlin and Reimund said.

At the start of this year, there were 1.02 million small farms, 806, 200 medium-size farms and 317,700 large farms.

In the Midwest and Plains states, where good land is abundant and off-farm jobs relatively scarce, ''there is still pressure for farm expansion and consolidation,'' Carlin and Reimund said.

There also is continued pressure for small farm operators in the South to switch to urban jobs, they said, while farm numbers have stabilized in the West. Farm numbers dropped in the Northeast during the 1980s.

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TRENTON, NJ (NOV. 28) UPI - A state grand jury Wednesday indicted a white Teaneck police officer on charges of reckless manslaughter in the slaying of a black teen in April that sparked a night of violent protests.

The jury charged Officer Gary Spath for firing the bullet that killed 16-year-old Phillip Pannell Jr. on April 10.

Pannell was shot once in the back at a schoolyard basketball court as he ran from police who were answering a report of a teen seen brandishing a gun.

Witnesses to the shooting said Pannell was trying to surrender and had his hands in the air when the officer fired the fatal shot.

Spath's partner, Officer Wayne Blanco, said he was patting down Pannell when

he felt what he thought was a gun and the teen began to run. But witnesses said Pannell was never touched by the officer when he fled the scene.

The shooting sparked a night of violence in the Bergen County town when black teens went on a rampage the day after the shooting, breaking windows and attacking police cars.

The grand jury was the second panel to investigate the case.

A state grand jury in July refused to indict the officer, but Attorney General Robert Del Tufo immediately empaneled a new jury to hear the charges. Del Tufo said the first jury's deliberations were tainted by misleading and mistaken medical testimony.

The events that followed the shooting also led to Del Tufo removing long-time Bergen County medical examiner Dr. Lawrence Denson, who performed the autopsy on Pannell.

Del Tufo said a second review of the autopsy findings showed Denson never attempted to match up the bullet holes in Pannell's clothing with the shot in his back, which would have shown whether the youth's arms were raised when he was shot.

If convicted on the charges, Spath faces a maximum of 10 years in prison and up to $100,000 in fines.

The shooting tarnished the affluent community's image of itself as a bastion of tolerance. Teaneck voluntarilly desegregated in the early 1960s, but following the shooting blacks in the town told of harrasment at the hands of white police officers.

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#90332u1695 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	355.06	up	1.01	348.77	455.81
Industrial	384.24	up	0.90	376.62	444.45
Finance	347.80	up	0.74	345.41	522.46
Insurance	426.81	up	2.16	415.97	556.68
Utility	459.01	up	4.57	444.38	732.94
Bank	248.99	up	0.04	250.12	419.10
Transport	382.34	off	2.40	384.94	473.55

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	156.35	up	0.47
Industrial Index	152.94	up	0.37
NASDAQ-100 Index	379.39	up	1.04

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#90332u1699 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, Egypt (NOV. 28) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis and the sluggish economy are overshadowing Thursday's parliamentary elections but campaign rallies have drawn large and excited crowds despite an opposition boycott of the elections.

That's because a new law allows candidates to appear on the ballot by name rather than simply by party affiliation, presenting voters with a choice of personalities than staid party policies.

Campaigning ended Wednesday without major incident, although Cairo Radio reported one ruling party candidate for the Nile Delta town of El Mahala died of exhaustion.

The country's Interior Minister, Maj. Gen. Abdul Halim Mussa, pledged that his forces would maintain law and order during Thursday's poll. He also admitted that 15 members of the outlawed Moslem Brotherhood and 10 members of more radical Islamic groupings were standing for election despite the ban on the Moslem Brotherhood.

''The constitution is very clear on the rights of every citizen to run as a candidate, as long as there are no legal impediments,'' Mussa told the state-owned radio. ''The Moslem Brotherhood entered parliament twice on previous occasions in alliance with the opposition parties of El Wafd and the Social Labor Party,'' he said.

''The (Moslem) Brothers can enter the electoral race independently,'' Mussa added, in what appeared to be a concession to Islamic groupings.

Thousands of armed police and troops were mobilized to guard more than 23,000 polling stations around the country, the radio said.

President Hosni Mubarak's ruling National Democratic Party is virtually assured of victory after the country's 16 million eligible voters cast their ballots around the mostly agricultural nation.

Mubarak himself won't be directly affected by the vote because his six-year term runs until 1993.

Mubarak called the elections last month after voters overwhelmingly approved

in a referendum the dissolution of the previous Parliament - which the country's Supreme Court said was unconstitutional because too many candidates were elected on a party ticket.

The government changed election laws to conform to the constitution but major opposition parties boycotted the vote because they said Mubarak had not consulted them first. The parties also say the government has tampered with election results in the past, a charge the country's former interior minister admitted.

Despite the boycott, almost 3,000 candidates are vying for 44 places in the People's Assembly or Parliament and some of the independent candiadtes are backed by the fundamentalist Islamic Brotherhood, an outlawed group that opposes Mubarak's pro-Western policies.

One such candidate, Ragab Hamida, distributed leaflets with the symbol of a gun which he claimed symbolized not an armed revolt but ''our determination to fight corruption and the abuses of power.''

Candidates have also spent large amounts of money to entertain crowds at campaign rallies, although voters in rural areas traditionally vote on the basis of a clan rather than a political party system.

If the NDP wins a majority, as everybody believes it will, Mubarak can claim the vote served as a vindication of his wise handling of the gulf standoff.

If the NDP loses its edge, Mubarak can blame that on the economic hardships that Egypt has suffered as a result of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

What the vote won't immediately show is whether the outlawed Islamic Brotherhood is gaining popularity in a country that spearheaded Arab Nasserite socialism for four decades.

The Brotherhood, like the atheist and therefore alien Egyptian Communist Party has never been able to legally field candidates in any election but rather has relied on alliances with other legal parties to make its mark.

The Islamic Brotherhood has tried to make its mark by issuing statements accusing the authorities of rigging the elections, and capitalizing on the lack of adequate social welfare and health care for Egypt's poor.

Official figures are vague, but economists estimate almost a quarter of the working population is unemployed or underemployed at a time when inflation is hovering around the 25 percent mark.

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#90332u1702 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 379.39 up 1.04.

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#90332u1705 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	356.91	354.06	355.06	up	1.01
Industrial	386.48	383.49	384.24	up	0.90
Finance	349.17	347.22	347.80	up	0.74
Insurance	428.76	424.66	426.81	up	2.16
Utility	462.62	453.35	459.01	up	4.57
Bank	251.96	248.37	248.99	up	0.04
Transport	385.94	381.86	382.34	off	2.40

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	156.35	up	0.47
Industrial Index	152.94	up	0.37
NASDAQ-100 Index (largest non-fin'cl)	379.39	up	1.04

Average price per share 8.08 up 0.02

Volume	107,801,504 shares
Advances	817
Declines	636
Unchanged	1,321
Total	2,774

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	128,590,800
Advances	989
Declines	788
Unchanged	2,422
Total	4,199

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(NOV. 28) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.52	7.52	8.99
91-day Treasury bills	7.28	7.26	7.65
182-day Treasury bills	7.37	7.33	7.45
1-year Treasury bills	7.34	7.26	7.25
3-year Treasury notes	7.71	7.65	7.80
7-year Treasury notes	8.19	8.17	7.87
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.45	8.44	7.93
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.84	8.84	8.69
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.66	9.60	9.19
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.85	8.83	8.95
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.15	9.13	8.91
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.34	9.33	9.16
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.32	9.31	9.14

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 10
New lows 31

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	300	6,128,500
Declines	250	3,945,800
Unchanged	244	2,595,700
Total	794	12,670,000

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	174.75	173.82	173.91	up 0.04
Industrial	216.18	215.10	215.10	off 0.04
Transport	132.25	131.64	131.85	off 0.79
Utility	89.71	89.19	89.54	up 0.25
Finance	117.39	116.30	116.41	off 0.03

Equivalent to a gain of 1 cent in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 145,490,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - The stock market closed mixed Wednesday in very dull trading as the blue chips gave up ground when oil prices staged a recovery late in the day.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 10.64 Tuesday, lost 8.66 to close at 2535.15.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.04 to 173.91 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index lost 0.15 to 317.95. The price of an average share added 1 cent. Secondary markets finished higher.

Advances led declines 841-654 among the 1,995 NYSE issues traded. Big Board volume totaled 145,490,000 shares, down slightly from 147,590,000 traded Tuesday.

Stocks opened mixed, drifted on either side of Tuesday's closing levels and then extended their advance before turning mixed in late trading. The gains came against a backdrop of lower oil prices. Oil opened slightly lower, with January crude down 21 cents at $32.65 a barrel and then fell further. At midday, oil was down 61 cents at $32.25.

But by afternoon, oil had turned higher, wiping out the Dow's gains. January crude oil closed up 42 cents to $33.28 a barrel. Except for the midday advance and the late dip, however, the Dow spent the session hovering right around Tuesday's closing levels.

"It was really a nothing day," said Dennis Jarrett, chief market strategist at Kidder, Peabody & Co. "The Dow seemed to have more negative bias than the overall market, though. The (broad market's) advance-decline ratio came up nicely on the positive side."

As for factors that did not affect trading, Jarrett mentioned Treasury bonds, which were a notch lower on the day, as well as news of revised 1.7 percent third-quarter growth in gross national product and the testimony of Federal

Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan before the House Banking Committee.

Greenspan rejected the notion the Fed should aggressively ease monetary policy under the current circumstances. Jarrett said many investors expect lower rates, but not a dramatic drop - basically in line with Greenspan's comments.

"People are kind of bobbing and weaving, waiting for the purchasing managers' report Monday and the job statistics a week from Friday," said Jarrett. "There just wasn't a lot of activity that was too dramatic in any direction."

On the trading floor, C&S Sovran was the most active issue, up 1/4 to 17 1/8. The Limited followed, up 1/8 to 15. Texas Instruments was third, up one to 31 7/8. General Motors was also active, up 3/8 to 37 3/4.

Waste Management was heavily traded as well, up 3/4 to 32 5/8, after having slipped Tuesday in active trading amid news that one of the company's units had been awarded a contract by Hong Kong to build and operate a chemical waste facility there.

Among the blue chips, AT&T lost 3/8 to 31 7/8, IBM eased 1 1/8 to 112 3/8, and Coca-Cola lost 5/8 to 45 1/2, but McDonald's rose 3/8 to 29 1/8.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 182,371,290 shares, little changed from the 181,236,470 traded in the previous session.

Prices rose in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index gained 1.97 to close at 298.97. Advances led declines 308-244 among the 799 issues traded. The price of an average share rose seven cents. Composite volume totaled 14,731,320 shares vs. 15,553,000 traded Tuesday. Fruit of the Loom led the Amex issues, up 1/2 to 8 1/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 1.01 to close at 355.06.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - Temperatures will be colder than normal this winter east of the Mississippi River but slightly warmer than average in the Plains states west to the Pacific Coast, the National Weather Service reported Wednesday.

In its annual 90-day forecast for December through February, the weather service said the Southern Appalachian states can expect the greatest probability of colder weather, while the Northwest and the southeastern gulf region - particularly southern Georgia and northern Florida - will likely see higher than normal levels of precipitation.

The California coast, like parts of Florida that have experienced dry conditions during the past four years, can expect only slightly higher levels of precipitation than normal - but far from what would be needed to erase the negative effects of the drought.

However, the "odds," as scientists put it, are pretty good that below-normal precipitation will fall in the interior of Southern California, Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Kansas.

The annual forecast is far different from conditions last winter, which by comparison was considerably milder than normal in January and Feburary after acolder-than-normal December.

"This forecast represents a shift in direction," said Robert Livezey, a climate scientist with the weather service who correctly predicted last year's winter forecast.

Livezey attributed the colder temperatures expected in the East to the onset of a so-called "warm event" - an increase in water temperature in the Pacific Ocean. Warmer ocean water "exaggerates" the jet steam responsible for weather conditions by pushing the air mass further to the north and east. That, in turn, draws colder Arctic air south.

Consequently, people who live in the Great Lakes states and mid-Atlantic region will feel more than a nip in the air. But, Livezey said, schoolchildren in eastern states shouldn't necessarily expect more snow days this winter: "In terms of precipitation, things are a bit more subtely complicated, as they usually are."

Livezey added that his interpretation of a complicated mathematical formula suggests that snowfall in the East will amount to slightly more than the norm. How much higher? "At this point, it's really beyond the state of the art to make a seasonwide snow forecast," he said.

Livezey was equally noncommittal when asked whether a colder winter would bring an increase in fuel prices, which are already at record levels due to the Persian Gulf crisis.

The Department of Energy said Wednesday that Americans can expect to pay up to 46 cents more per gallon for heating oil if world oil prices continue to fetch $35 a barrel and there is severe winter cold.

New England, which is already experiencing a recession, could be particularly hard hit because it imports over 70 percent of its heating oil, more than any region in the nation. Livezey said the weather service's overall accuracy in long-term forecasts is roughly 60 percent.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - Britain's new Prime Minister John Major made extensive changes to the cabinet today... asking former rival Michael Heseltine to become environment secretary. That job would put Heseltine in charge of reviewing a controversial head tax that helped froce Margaret Thatcher from office. Norman Lamont was boosted from deputy to chief of the Treasury to fill the post vacated by Major. It will be Lamont's job to get the domestic economy in shape before a general election is called within 20 months. Mapor says he will keep Douglas Hurd as foreign secretary and Tom King as defense secretary.

Two retired chairmen of the Joint Chiefs of Staff today urged the Bush administration to give economic sanctions more time before deciding to commit U-S forces to combat in the gulf. Retired Admiral William Crowe and retired Air Force General David Jones spoke before a Senate panel today.

The Nobel Prize committee says it will NOT delay the December 10th award ceremony in Oslo, Norway, even though Peace Prize winner Mikhail Gorbachev can NOT attend. The Soviet president says he has more pressing issues at home.

An agency in Jerusalem says says about 15-hundred immigrants are arriving in Israel each day, mostly from the Soviet Union, but some from countries such as Ethiopia. One official complains that one-third of the Soviets are NOT Jewish and therefore are a danger to the future and security of Israel.

A newspaper in Hungary says the finance minister plans to resign because of disagreements with the leader of the cabinet. The finance chief has called for widespread liberalization to stimulate business investment.

The Boston Globe says a state panel has narrowed to 11 the potential sites for a second major airport to ease traffic at Logan International by the year 2010. Four of the locations are at two military installations... Fort Devens in Ayer, Massachusetts, and the former Otis Air Force Base on Cape Cod.

The White House says Barbara Bush is bowing out of the president's five-nation Latin American swing next week because of a low grade sinus infection. Instead the president will be joined by his daughter Dorothy, who will fill in for her mother during events hosted by leaders' spouses.

A Milwaukee psychiatrist who recently visited Jim Bakker in a Minnesota prison says the evangelist is doing fine and his ''faith is stronger'' than ever. Basil Jackson treated Bakker during his trial in North Carolina.

Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos has a deadline for English lecturer Claudia Cabaniss. The school says the teacher has until January to get rid of the estimated 100 stray cats she cares for on campus.

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MIAMI (NOV. 28) UPI - A Colorado brokerage firm Wednesday took control of three Stuart-James Co. offices in Florida and was promptly ordered to cease operations by state regulators.

The state's Office of the Comptroller sent a letter Wednesday afternoon to Chatfield Dean & Co. of Englewood, Colo., informing the company that the action was illegal, said Terence McElroy, a spokesman for the comptroller. "We have notified them to immediately cease that operation," he said.

Earlier in the day, Chatfield Dean announced it had assumed control of the troubled Stuart-James brokerage, including its offices in Tampa, Clearwater and Boca Raton.

Stuart-James, once ranked as one of the nation's leading dealers of low-priced - and often speculative - "penny" stocks, has been under pressure from state and federal regulators since last year for questionable business practices. The firm said last week it would cease selling securities by the end of the year.

Chatfield Dean, licensed to sell stocks in Florida from its out-of-state offices, informed state regulators it would seek permission to operate the three Stuart-James offices in Florida.

However, regulators told Chatfield Dean late Tuesday they were inclined to deny that application because of the firm's problems elsewhere, McElroy said. "They apparently attempted an end-run around us," he said. Chatfield Dean announced Wednesday it had assumed control of Stuart James under a management agreement that eliminated the need for state approval.

"We have been advised that application to the Florida Comptroller's Office is not needed when one broker-dealer takes over another," said Chatfield Dean's president, Sandford D. Greenberg, in a statement. But McElroy said state regulators believe otherwise.

"Under normal circumstances, that is correct. Under the particular circumstances that govern this case, it is not," he said. "The rule is that a company in good standing can acquire a company such as Stuart-James that is going out of business. But they need to be in good standing."

Florida regulators asked Chatfield Dean Oct. 12 to voluntarily surrender its license to operate in Florida, McElroy said. "Because of the regulatory and disciplinary problems they have had in other states, we are asking them to voluntarily surrender their license to operate in Florida," he said.

McElroy said state regulators could take emergency action to revoke the

licenses of both firms if Chatfield Dean ignores the state's warning.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 441.32, off 0.01 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90332u1816 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - Are the economic sanctions beginning to bite in Iraq? From evidence gathered by the State Department and other agencies, the answer is apparently yes.

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The export of Iraqi oil has been virtually cut off, depriving Iraq of its main source of income. Its overseas hard currency assets were frozen in August.

The Department of Defense reports that the naval interception force has challenged thousands of ships and boarded several hundred others, turning a handful of vessels away from ports.

''We know that 3 1/2 months after sanctions were imposed, they are beginning to have an impact on Iraq in various specific areas,'' said State Department spokesman Richard Boucher. ''For example, tires are in short supply, and shortages of raw materials, spare parts, lubricants and chemicals are hampering industrial operations.''

Boucher added a big ''but'' to that assessment: ''We have no assurance, however, when the embargo will achieve the objectives of the international community. Saddam Hussein has not given any indication that he is concerned about the hardships faced by his people or his country's dismal economic prospects.

''We know he will make sure that his army and the ruling elite are the last to be affected. Saddam still seems to believe he can play for time.''

The evidence from inside Iraq, as reported by Iraqi newspapers and Western visitors, is that there are spotty shortages, huge price increases on some food, but nobody seems to be starving. The Iraqi Parliament acknowledged that food hoarding is a problem by passing a draconian law that punishes food hoarding by death.

According to an Iraqi newspaper, the country is using corn - or maize as it is known in Europe and the Middle East - as a food for humans for the first time. Previously, it had been used only as fodder for animals.

The minister of health has told Iraqi pharmacies to ''promote the circulation and processing of domestically grown medical herbs'' as a substitute for the imported medicines that are no longer available.

Wheat flour for bread, the main staple in the Iraqi diet, appears to be a continuing problem. Barley, also previously used only to feed animals, is now being mixed with wheat.

The price of a sack of wheat has skyrocketed to more than 100 times its pre-embargo price, according to newspaper reports. Most bakeries in Baghdad have closed down, according to the reports, because housewives prefer to take their rations in flour, rather than loaves of bread.

Food ration cards were introduced almost immediately after the economic embargo started, but only now are they beginning to be used for some supplies, including rice, sugar and tea.

Iraqi mothers are being encouraged to breastfeed their infants, partly as a disease-prevention measure and partly to conserve supplies of dairy products.

The trade ministry acknowledged that some canned goods are in short supply.

The country's regulations, however, guarantee that the armed services will be the last to suffer. The regulations say that each soldier is entitled to 120 percent more flour, 160 percent more rice, 20 percent more tea and 342 percent more legumes than civilians.

Nevertheless, reports from deserting soldiers suggest that those extra rations are not reaching the troops in the field. Some Iraqi troops are reported to be getting only one meal a day in some sectors.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.68	9.31
Anchor Fund Inv	13.79	14.63
Delaware Mutual	16.75	17.96

Fidelity Fund	16.21	16.21
Investor Mutual	10.94	11.51
Investor Stocks	18.10	19.06
Investor Select	8.41	8.85
IDS Equity Plus	8.76	9.23
MFS Growth Stk	8.38	9.04
Nicholas Income	3.08	3 08
Utd Accumulated	6.09	6.66
United Income	16.43	17.96
Vang Wellington	16.17	16.17

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 28) UPI - The U.S. Justice Department Wednesday joined a federal lawsuit alleging a Teledyne subsidiary overcharged the government by tens of millions of dollars on defense subcontracts in the 1980s.

The suit, unsealed Wednesday in U.S. District Court, claims Teledyne Systems, which manufactures electronic components for military aircraft and satellites, was filed in May 1989 by a former Teledyne Systems employee under the federal False Claims Act.

The ''whistleblower'' suit, alleging overcharging by the Northridge- based subsidiary by as much as 40 percent on its contracts, prompted a government investigation that led to the Justice Department's decision to become a plaintiff.

''The government will later file its own complaint, but in joining the lawsuit it agrees generally with the whistleblower allegations of how Teledyne has defrauded the United States,'' a U.S. Attorney's Office spokeswoman in Los Angeles said Wednesday.

Teledyne Systems is also reportedly the target of a criminal probe by the government.

Leon Dayan, an attorney for the former Teledyne Systems employee who brought the suit, Klaus Kirchoff, said the government was overcharged ''tens of millions of dollars per year.''

Kirchoff's lawyers said it was unclear exactly how much the government was overcharged between 1981 and 1989, but one noted that ''Teledyne did about $300 million worth of government contracts and subcontracts (annually).''

''The (inflated) markups ranged from 10 to 40 percent throughout most of the 1980s,'' one of the lawyers, Mary Louise Cohen, said. ''That means (the fraud involved) at least $30 million a year.''

Since 1981, the U.S. government ''has spent well over $1 billion to acquire the products and services of Teledyne Systems,'' the suit said.

Teledyne Systems manufactures components that include ''on-board computers and ground-station test equipment and related products and services for use in military aircraft, helicopters and satellites,'' the suit said.

Kirchoff was a senior pricing specialist at Teledyne Systems for four months in 1988 and left the company because he disagreed with its alleged practices of inflating prices on electronic components which the government could only purchase from Teledyne, his attorneys said.

In March, Teledyne pleaded guilty to fraud charges filed against another subsidiary, Teledyne Electronics, and agreed to pay fines and damages amounting to as much as $8.4 million in connection with a separate investigation involving corruption in military procurement.

In April, two Teledyne executives were convicted of criminal conspiracy and fraud in that case while a third was acquitted.

Teledyne, based in Los Angeles, is the nation's 36th largest defense contractor. In fiscal 1988, its sales to the Pentagon were $470 million.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - Average yields for money-market mutual funds were lower over the latest reporting week, as were deposit and lending rates at savings and loan institutions, financial reporting organizations said Wednesday.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.27 percent, down from 7.35 percent the previous week, and 30-day simple yields were at 7.34 percent, down from 7.38 percent.

The average maturity of fund portfolios fell to 50 days from 51 days.

Donoghue noted that total assets of the 689 taxable and tax-free money-market mutual funds it tracks rose above the $500 billion mark for the first time since such investment funds emerged in 1972. They totaled $501.09 billion vs. $499.40 billion a week earlier, Donoghue said.

The Bank Rate Monitor in North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.83 percent, down from 5.84 percent; Super-Now accounts, 4.95 percent, down from 4.96 percent; six- month certificates of deposit, 7.33 percent, off from 7.36 percent; 1- year CDs, 7.39 percent, off from 7.43 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.50 percent, down from 7.53 percent; and five-year CDs, 7.72 percent, down from 7.75 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.03 percent, down from 8.04 percent the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.48 percent from 9.53 percent. The average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage was off to 9.79 percent from 9.84 percent.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was at 12.25 percent, up from 12.23 percent.

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SACRAMENTO (NOV. 28) UPI - Most assault weapon owners in California have so far ignored a landmark state law requiring that they register their firearms by Jan. 1, state officials said Wednesday.

Fewer than 3 percent of the estimated 200,000 to 300,000 assault weapons in the state have been registered since California became the first state in the nation to ban sales of the military style guns last January.

Only 5,150 of the assault weapons had been registered as of last Friday, Bob Drake, chief of the state Bureau of Justice Information Services, said.

The National Rifle Association said gun owners are refusing to register their assault weapons as an act of civil disobedience to protest the law.

''I think that most people believe the law is an unconstitutional infringment on their rights and is of no merit and they are simply not going to pay any attention to it,'' said Richard Gardiner, the NRA's director of state and local affairs.

The unexpectedly low compliance with the law means there will be thousands of illegal weapons in California after New Year's Day. Police in Los Angeles and San Francisco said they would not set up special task forces to hunt for unregistered assault weapons.

''I don't foresee roving bands of police officers barging into people's homes looking for assault weapons,'' San Francisco police spokesman Sgt. Jerry Senkir said. ''We will certainly take advantage of the law if we find these assault weapons out on the street.''

Gun control advocates blamed the NRA for encouraging gun owners to ignore the law.

''In their magazines, they print a lot of letters to the editor saying why people won't register their guns,'' said Luis Tolley, Western director of

Handgun Control Inc. ''They've indirectly encouraged people not to register their weapons and helped create civil disobedience.''

But Gardiner said the NRA ''would never advise anyone to violate the law.''

''We'll tell them what the law says and what the penalties are for not complying with it. It's up to each individual to make their own decision,'' he said.

The state banned the sale of 56 different types of semiautomatic assault weapons last year after Patrick Purdy sprayed a Stockton schoolyard with more than 100 rounds from an assault rifle in January 1989, killing five children and wounding 29 others and a teacher before committing suicide.

People who owned the guns before June 1, 1989, may keep them legally if they register them with the state Department of Justice by Jan. 1, 1991. People who bought the guns after the deadline are allowed to keep them only if they obtain special permits similar to those issued for machine guns.

Assault weapon owners who fail to register their guns by New Year's Day face an automatic $350 fine. Subsequent violations may be prosecuted as a misdemeanor or a felony, and include jail terms.

Drake said the law was effective even though few gun owners are registering their assault weapons.

''It stopped the sale of them. There are no more that are being legally sold '' Drake said.

Tolley said gun owners who refuse to register their assault weapons will make it difficult for police to determine who is supplying the guns to criminals.

''If you find someone with five of these, you don't know if he is a collecter or a black marketeer. You have to treat him like a criminal because you can no longer distinguish between the two,'' Tolley said.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 28) UPI - The downturn in the nation's real estate market will hit hardest in the commercial sector, which is severely overbuilt, an industry consultant predicted Wednesday.

''The problem is that you have an oversupply in a liquidating marketplace,'' said David A. Eisner, a partner in the real estate group of the accounting firm Price Waterhouse, in a speech to about 200 executives at the University Club of Los Angeles.

The specter of empty office buildings and unleased shopping malls has been worsened by the growing problem of obtaining financing, Eisner said. He estimated that the volume of commercial real estate lending this year has declined by 50 percent from last year.

''The days of thinly capitalized deals are over,'' Eisner said. ''Money does exist for deals, but the key is that lenders don't want any risk. So deals are going to have to make economic sense.''

Real estate developer John Miller, a partner with Los Angeles-based Lincoln Property Co., said the industry is paying the price for its excesses during the 1980s.

''We had a big party in the 1980s. Now we're going through a lot of sobriety '' Miller said, explaining that it has become almost impossible to get a loan unless a project is 100 percent rented.

''Very few banks admit that they're in the real estate business any more,'' Miller told the audience. ''We are in for a long downsizing of the commercial real estate business for the next four or five years.''

Over this time, Miller said, the size of commercial business will probably be cut in half. ''A lot of people who built buildings for a living are going to have to find a new job,'' he said.

Eisner, who was more optimistic than Miller, said the slump will be exacerbated by a sharp decline in Japanese investment and the failure of major pension funds to make major buys.

All this tightening will probably force a reduction in the number of players in commercial real estate, Eisner predicted, but the picture will improve once vacancy rates begin to fall.

''These problems can be worked through,'' Eisner said. ''Money is not a problemlike it was in 1981, when interest rates were 21 percent.''

Eisner also said that real estate problems will be less severe in Arizona and California because of the region's strong population growth, its reliance on non-traditional businesses and its booming Pacific Rim trade.

Eisner predicted that housing, which has been clobbered partly because of a soft California market that has seen new residential permits fall by 50 percent over the last year, will rebound soon.

''The current cycle is no different from any other down cycle,'' Eisner said.

California's market, which represents between 15 percent and 20 percent of housing sales, currently has over a year's supply of resale homes on the block

- more than double the amount a year ago.

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#90332u1890 11/28/1990 ~United Press International
SACRAMENTO, CA (NOV. 28) UPI - The governor of the nation's richest state ordered the Legislature Wednesday to meet in a special session to consider $1 billion in proposed emergency spending cuts and transfers.

Gov. George Deukmejian directed lawmakers to return to Sacramento on Monday and scheduled a meeting with leaders of both parties in hopes of persuading them to back his austerity plan.

State tax collections have unexpectedly dropped $408 million below projections just four months into the current fiscal year, and a $4.3 billion budget shortfall is forecast for the following year.

Deukmejian said the state could deplete its reserves and face a deficit in the 1990-91 budget and lose its cherished triple-A bond rating - forcing the state to pay higher interest rates - if the Legislature does not quickly implement his proposal.

''We have already had expressions of concern from the bond rating houses on Wall Street with respect to the fiscal situation. The longer that we delay taking constructive action, the more danger there is that they might indeed lower bond ratings,'' Deukmejian said at a Capitol news conference.

The Democrat-controlled Legislature already was scheduled to return to the Capitol Monday to be sworn in and elect party leaders. However, many lawmakers prefer to wait until GOP Gov.-elect Pete Wilson takes office Jan. 7 to hammer out a budget plan instead of negotiating a controversial and politically damaging solution with a lame duck governor.

Deukmejian has no authority to keep lawmakers in Sacramento if they decide they don't want to take action during the special session, an Assembly rules expert said.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Bohemia Inc				
Stock Split				

Collins Industries - 5-for-4

Stock				
Carolina First BncShrs	..	5PC	12-19	11-28
Increased				
First Virginia Banks	Q	.33	1-14	12-31
Security Federal Svgs	Q	.07	12-31	12-14
United Bankshares	Q	.19	1-2	12-14
Special				
Barnwell Industries	..	.30	12-21	12-7
Distribution				
Cypress Fund Inc	..	.13 1/2	12-19	12-10
Putnam Energy-Resrcs Tr	Q	.98	12-10	11-30
Putnam Fund for Growth	Q	.60	12-17	12-5
Putnam Global Growth Fd	A	.56	12-10	11-30
Putnam Info Sciences Tr	A	3.06	12-10	11-30
Usual				
Amer Maize-Prod cl-A&B	Q	.16	12-21	12-7
Ametek Inc	Q	.16	12-21	12-7
Barnwell Industries	Q	.07 1/2	1-22	1-7
Dreyfus Strat Govt Incm	M	.09	12-19	12-11
Dreyfus Strat Muni Bond	M	.0595	12-26	12-11
ECC Intl Corp	Q	.05	1-18	12-21
E-Systems Inc	Q	.18 3/4	1-4	12-14
GEICO Corp	Q	.50	12-31	12-10
Kaman Corp	Q	.11	1-21	1-7
McClatchy Newspapers	Q	.04	1-3	12-10
NBSC Corp	Q	.11	1-2	12-18
Oglebay Norton Co	Q	.40	12-17	12-10
PacifiCorp	Q	.36	2-15	1-23
Pennsylvania Pwr & Lt	Q	.74 1/2	1-1	12-10
Philip Morris Cos	Q	.43	1-10	12-17
Regional Bancorp	Q	.15	1-15	12-14
Shell Canada Ltd cl-A	S	c-.45	12-14	12-8
Square D Co	Q	.55	1-2	12-14
Stanley Works	Q	.30	12-31	12-8
Stolt Tankers & Term	S	.30	1-18	12-28
Suffolk Bancorp	Q	.14	1-2	12-14
Tecumseh Products Co	Q	.80	12-21	12-10
Tektronix Inc	Q	.15	2-4	1-18
United Cos Financial	Q	.15	1-2	12-11
Universal Health RIT	Q	.37	12-31	12-14
Westvaco Corp	Q	.26 1/4	1-2	12-11

c-Canadian rate

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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OTTAWA (NOV. 28) UPI - A United Nations' resolution ordering Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait will authorize the use of force in the Persian Gulf but will probably not set a timetable for military action, External Affairs Minister Joe Clark said Thursday.

The U.S.-sponsored resolution is still being discussed by the 15 countries on the Security Council and will be voted on Thursday.

''What will likely be there is the authority to enforce the resolution. That authority will not vest immediately ... but sometime in January,'' Clark told reporters outside Parliament.

Clark said the resolution would contain no ultimatums because they would be ''counter-productive,'' but contained language ''designed explicity to provide a pause of good will in which (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein can consider his options.''

Sanctions alone have not forced Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait, Clark said, adding the world must face the fact that Hussein places greater importance on keeping its territorial gains than in allowing its citizens to resume normal life.

Clark said the resolution would likely not contain specific warnings of what would happen at the end of the pause, but would be a clear message the world is serious about enforcing all Security Council resolutions and would have the authority and means to do so.

The minister's comments, which came during a debate by politicians on the Persian Gulf crisis and whether Canada should support force against Iraq, indicated the Security Council may be leaning toward a softened version of earlier resolution drafts.

The United States reportedly wants the resolution to give Iraq one final opportunity to pull out of Kuwait by mid-January or face war.

But Clark told Parliament that such deadlines, implying an ultimatum, ''could be counterproductive and artificial. That is not what is proposed,'' he said.

Clark said Hussein does not understand the size of the problem he created by invading Kuwait Aug. 2.

''He thinks the world is bluffing. He does not seem to understand the strength of resolve to see justice done,'' Clark said.

Praising the response of a ''renewed'' United Nations to the crisis, Clark said the institution has been ''unbending in its respect for international order.''

He suggested one consequence would be a ''new sense of urgency'' in resolving other problems in the Middle East and gulf region.

Clark also said gulf area countries have indicated there would be no reprisals against Iraq if Hussein withdraws from Kuwait. ''There is a willingness in the region to live with Iraq, warily, to be sure.''

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With over 100 nations taking part in the embargo, there is remarkably little leakage, according to the State Department's assessment.

The export of Iraqi oil has been virtually cut off, depriving Iraq of its main source of income. The nation's overseas hard currency assets were frozen in August.

At the same time, the Department of Defense reports the naval interception force in the Persian Gulf has challenged thousands of ships and boarded several hundred others, turning a handful away from ports.

''We know that 3 1/2 months after sanctions were imposed, they are beginning to have an impact on Iraq in various specific areas,'' said State Department spokesman Richard Boucher. ''For example, tires are in short supply, and shortages of raw materials, spare parts, lubricants and chemicals are hampering industrial operations.''

Despite this, Boucher noted: ''We have no assurance, however, when the embargo will achieve the objectives of the international community. Saddam Hussein has not given any indication that he is concerned about the hardships faced by his people or his country's dismal economic prospects.

''We know he will make sure that his army and the ruling elite are the last to be affected. Saddam still seems to believe he can play for time.''

The evidence from inside Iraq, as reported by Iraqi newspapers and Western visitors, is that there are spotty shortages and huge price increases on some food, but nobody seems to be starving. The Iraqi Parliament acknowledged that food hoarding is a problem by passing a Draconian law that punishes this by death.

According to an Iraqi newspaper, the country is using corn - or maize as it is known in Europe and the Middle East - as a food for humans for the first time. Previously, it had been used only as fodder for animals.

The minister of health has told Iraqi pharmacies to ''promote the circulation and processing of domestically grown medical herbs'' as a substitute for the imported medicines that are no longer available.

Wheat flour for bread, the main staple in the Iraqi diet, appears to be a continuing problem. Barley, also previously used only to feed animals, is now being mixed with wheat.

The price of a sack of wheat has skyrocketed to more than 100 times its pre-embargo price, according to newspaper reports. Most bakeries in Baghdad have closed down, according to the reports, because housewives prefer to take their rations in flour, rather than in loaves of bread.

Food ration cards were introduced almost immediately after the economic embargo started, but only now are they beginning to be used for some supplies, including rice, sugar and tea.

Iraqi mothers are being encouraged to breastfeed their infants, partly as a disease-prevention measure and partly to conserve supplies of dairy products.

The trade ministry acknowledged that some canned goods are in short supply.

The country's regulations, however, guarantee that the armed services will be the last to suffer. The regulations say that each soldier is entitled to 120 percent more flour, 160 percent more rice, 20 percent more tea and 342 percent more legumes than civilians.

Nevertheless, reports from deserting soldiers suggest that those extra rations are not reaching the troops in the field. Some Iraqi troops are reported to be getting only one meal a day in some sectors.

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#90332u1940 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 28) UPI - The U.S. attorney's office in Brooklyn has been given the green light to prosecute reputed mob boss John Gotti in the killing of Paul Castellano, a broadcast report said Wednesday.

WNBC-TV reported that Attorney General Dick Thornburgh was persuaded by arguments that Gotti hatched the scheme to kill Castellano from his hangout in Ozone Park, Queens, an area under the jurisdiction of the Brooklyn U.S. attorney's office.

Castellano, the reputed head of the Gambino crime family, was shot to death in December 1985 outside a midtown Manhattan restaurant.

Prosecutors believe Gotti ascended to the Gambino family throne after Castellano's death.

Federal prosecutors in Manhattan, where the killing took place, had reportedly been battling with the U.S. attorney's office in Brooklyn over who would handle the high-profile case, which would represent the third attempt to prosecute the ''teflon don'' for his alleged mob activities since 1986.

The station also reported that a convicted mobster, Salvatore Reale, is cooperating with federal prosecutors in the case.

Reale, who allegedly ran rackets for Gotti at Kennedy International Airport, was sentenced in May to eight years in prison for violating his probation for trying to enter Mexico with $4 million in cash.

At the time of his arrest in Mexico, Reale, a former private investigator, had been on probation on extortion charges stemming from the airport rackets.

A tape recording that is part of the evidence ammassed against Gotti has the reputed don saying of Reale, ''That bum ... he never forgot he's half a cop.''

Gotti's lawyer, Bruce Cutler, seemed unfazed by the prospect of a new indictment against his client.

''We're ready for these false charges we've been ready for quite some time,'' he said.

WNBC reported Gotti could be indicted as early as Christmas, and said Brooklyn U.S. Attorney Andrew Maloney would personally handle the case.

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#90332u1957 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

SOUTH BEND, IN (NOV. 28) UPI - Raghib Ismail, a multi-purpose player who sparked Notre Dame's offense, received the Walter Camp Award Wednesday as college football's player of the year.

Ismail, nicknamed ''Rocket'' for his speed, was college football's most dangerous player as a flanker, kick returner and running back. The Wilkes-Barre, Pa., resident rushed for 535 yards and three touchdowns on 67 carries. He also had 32 catches for 699 yards and two touchdowns, 151 yards on 10 punt returns, and 328 kickoff return yards.

Virginia quarterback Sean Moore finished second with Brigham Young quarterback Ty Detmer third and Colorado rusher Eric Bieniemy fourth in voting by major college football coaches and sports information directors.

The Walter Camp Football Foundation presents the award, started in 1967, and named for Yale's first football coach.

''It's quite a shock,'' Ismail, a junior, said. ''I really never thought I would be considered for such a prestigous award. This is another instrument to keep me trying to better myself and achieve my goals.''

The only two other Irish players to win the award were tight end Ken MacAfee in 1977 and receiver Tim Brown, who earned the Camp and Heisman Trophy awards in 1987. This year's Heisman, voted upon by sports writers, will be presented Saturday by the Downtown Athletic Club in New York.

Winning the Camp is no guarantee of Heisman success, even for a player like Ismail, whose school has produced seven previous Heisman winners. Indiana rusher Anthony Thompson won last year's Walter Camp Award, but Houston quarterback Andre Ware won the Heisman.

''There's nothing I can do about what's going to happen Saturday,'' Ismail said. ''The best man will win. That will be that. I've talked to Coach (Lou) Holtz and Tim Brown and they said you can't do anything but what you've done on the field. I know they have a great tradition here. Maybe I can be included in that category. At least I've had fun being considered.''

The announcement came four days after sixth-ranked Notre Dame ended the regular season by beating Southern California. The Irish, 9-2, are set to face top-ranked Colorado in the Orange Bowl on New Year's Day. The only Irish losses came in games where Ismail was sidelined most of the time by a thigh bruise.

''I'm thrilled and excited for Rocket, but I was not surprised,'' Holtz said. ''A player like him comes along not once a year but maybe once a decade. There are a lot of great players I've seen but none with a greater impact than Rocket.''

Ismail, who plans to remain at Notre Dame for his senior season instead of jumping to the NFL, first learned of the honor from a telephone answering machine message by John Heisler, Notre Dame's sports information director.

''He told me he had something important to tell me about the Walter Camp award '' Ismail said. ''I thought maybe I had come in in the top three. When I found out, I was like, 'wow.'''

Ismail thanked his teammates, his brother Quadry who plays football at Syracuse and his mother, whose advice helped her shy 21-year-old son cope with the added attention and pressure.

''An award such as this cannot be won by one man,'' Ismail said. ''People always see the glamour side. At times I felt overburdened and called my mother and brother for advice. Knowing they were behind me helped keep me going. My mother said (attention) comes with the territory and they wouldn't give me the atention if I didn't deserve it.

''She said I just should be polite and be myself and everything will turn out for the best.''

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#90332u1983 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

SEATTLE (NOV. 28) UPI - So long, Spuds Mackenzie. Bye-bye beer-sipping bathing beauties.

If a proposal debated Wednesday before the Washington State Liquor Control Board is adopted, advertising by major alcohol distributors could become a lot tamer in the state.

Washington doctors are seeking restrictions on the content of liquor ads on grounds the alcohol promotion contributes to drunken driving and overconsumption by young people.

Beer advertisers say the proposed content restrictions represent an unconstitutional infringement of the their First Amendment rights to free speech.

Both sides came to a public hearing called by the Liquor Control Board armed with videocassettes, posters, and clippings of beer advertisements. Dozens of lawyers, expert witnesses, and industry executives flew in from around the country.

The three-member Liquor Control Board, which normally labors in obscurity, found itself the center of attention in a controversy with national implications.

At the urging of the Washington State Medical Association, lawyers with the Liquor Control Board drafted rules to curb alcohol advertising aimed at youth.

If the rules are adopted, it would be illegal to depict ''as amusing, either overconsumption or a state of intoxication.'' Also off-limits would be the use of characters associated with children and relating sexual prowess or professional achievement to alcohol assumption.

The proposed penalty for violation of the advertising restrictions is an up-to-one-year ban on distribution in the state of the offending company's products.

The medical association says Washington would be the first state in the union to restrict the content of alcohol advertising if the proposed rules are adopted and enforced.

Members of the liquor board gave no indication how they felt about the new restrictions. Board Chairwoman Paula O'Connor said a decision would be announced in January.

Representatives of beer companies attacked the proposed rules, saying there was no credible research to prove a link between advertising and underage drinking.

''Beer advertising does not cause alcohol abuse any more than automobile advertising causes speeding or soft drink advertising causes tooth decay,'' said Stephen Burrows, Anheuser-Bush vice president for consumer awareness and education.

Supporters of the restrictions on alcohol ads maintained that a review of beer ads clearly showed the companies were targeting young people. Dr. Abraham Bergman, director of pediatrics at Seattle's Harborview Medical Center, said beer ads manipulate themes that resonate with youth.

He cited frequent depictions of scantily clad women suggesting heightened sexual prowess. Bergman said the use of throbbing rock beats in the background of many television ads also shows the advertisers are aiming at young people. He said people between 15 and 30 years old are most apt to die in alcohol-related accidents and termed ''immoral'' advertisers targeting that group.

Robert Shear, a North Carolinan who consults on alcohol and drug problems, said the sorts of promotions beer companies run among college- age groups ''amounts to little more than criminal solicitations.''

But Dick Wiley, a former chairman of the Federal Communications Commission speaking on behalf of the American Advertising Federation, called the rules ''censorship'' and said they would in effect ban all alcohol advertising.

Americans have relied on ''more speech, not less as the best way to arrive at the truth,'' Wiley said. He said the advertising industry had done that with

campaigns such as Budweiser's ''Know When to Say When'' and Miller's ''Think When You Drink.''

The Washington State Medical Association maintains it is on solid legal ground advocating alcohol advertising restrictions. Bergman said the U.S. Supreme Court has ruled commercial advertising is not the same as protected individual free speech. He also noted that under the 21st Amendment to the Constitution which repealed Prohibition, ''states have the right to control all aspects of alcohol commerce.''

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#90332u1991 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

FOZ DO IGUACU, Brazil (NOV. 28) UPI - An agreement Wednesday between Argentina and Brazil to join a regional nuclear non-proliferation treaty is loaded with preconditions based more on business than war.

And though Latin diplomats are optimistic, the agreement must be approved by the International Atomic Energy Commission, which is still far from certain.

Argentina and Brazil, the only two Latin American nations with enough nuclear technology to build an atomic bomb, have long unnerved the United States and some European nations by refusing to sign the International Nuclear Non-Proloferation Treaty that requires regular inspections of nuclear facilities by the IAEC in Vienna.

Most facilities in Argentina are already open to international inspection but a plant that produces enriched uranium, which can be used to make atomic weapons, is closed to international engineers.

Now Brazilian President Fernando Collor de Mello and Argentine President Carlos Menem have agreed to allow inspections of all nuclear facilities and join a regional non-proliferation treaty. But the Latin presidents have one condition: that they do the inspections: Brazil would inspect Argentine plants and other nuclear installations and Argentina would watch the Brazilian atomic program.

The Argentine foreign minister said international nuclear safeguarding groups will agree to the revisions.

Both Hans Blix, director of the IAEC, and Stempel Paris, head of the commission that governs the regional non-proliferation treaty, attended Wednesday's signing in Brazil.

According to Argentine Foreign Minister Domingo Cavallo, both men told President Menem and Collor that it is likely the accords, and the conditions demanded by the two South American countries, will be approved by their organizations.

The minister said the Argentine government is ''totally decided and far along the road'' to ratifying the Tlatelolco Treaty, the regional nuclear non-proliferation agreement, with the condition of mutual inspections.

Brazil has already ratified the treaty but refuses to enforce its conditions unless Argentina does the same.

But the precedents for reciprocal inspections could give some international experts second thoughts.

A 1985 agreement to bilateral nuclear inspections by Brazil and Argentina signed at the jungle port of Foz do Iguacu was not as rigorous as many may have hoped.

For example, Argentine inspections in Brazil, limited to certain facilities, turned up no evidence of a secret Air Force base well in the Brazilian Amazon jungle that Collor recently admitted was for testing an atomic bomb.

Perhaps in part because of those revelations, Collor's remarks at the signing were decidely more definite about enforcing the regional nuclear non-proliferation treaty.

''We have nothing to hide,'' Collor told a news conference Wednesday.

The caution shown in remarks by Menem highlighted the tension between international demands to safeguard nuclear technology and the right of developing countries to investigate, sell and safeguard home-grown technology.

''We are searching for mechanisms which, on the one hand, put in evidence that our nuclear programs are for exlusively peaceful ends, and at the same time respect industrial property and other technological advances,'' Menem told news media.

Argentina is one of the few developing countries with a nuclear program advanced enough to sell atomic technology to other developing and underdeveloped countries, a multi-billion dollar industry dominated by European countries and the United States.

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#90332u1993 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NORTH KINGSTOWN, R.I. (NOV. 29) UPI - Despite laying off nearly 600 employees this fall, the Electric Boat division of General Dynamics Corp. has put out a call for 500 new trade workers at its Quonset Point shipyard.

Richard A. Boudreau, a spokesman for the shipyard, said Monday that the jobs will pay the most experienced workers more than $12 an hour. There are

openings for pipefitters, sheet metal workers, machinists and shipfitters.

Boudreau said there is no inconsistency between the layoffs this fall and the hiring plans because the layoffs were an attempt to streamline management. Skilled trade workers will always be needed to fulfill contracts, he said.

At the time EB announced the layoffs, it also said it expected to hire 200 more skilled trade workers. Boudreau said it turned out that Electric Boat needed more trade workers than it initially thought.

Most of the layoffs this fall occurred at EB headquarters in Groton, Conn. About 100 were at Quonset Point, where 4,300 people work.

Electric Boat makes submarines for the Navy. It makes the sub hulls in Rhode Island.

Parent General Dynamics is a St. Louis-based aerospace and defense contractor.

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#90332u1995 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

NORFOLK, Va. (NOV. 28) UPI - Richard Hirschfeld, a lawyer who is a close associate of former heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali, was indicted Wednesday on federal tax and conspiracy charges.

The indictment, filed in U.S. District Court, follows an investigation involving the FBI and the Internal Revenue Service. If convicted on all counts Hirschfeld could be sentenced up to 16 years in prison and fined $700,000.

Hirschfeld, who was previously banned for life from practicing before the Securities and Exchange Commission, declined to comment when reached at his office late Wednesday.

Hirschfeld is a high-profile attorney with a variety of business interests who has accompanied Ali during appearances on Capitol Hill and trips to the Middle East.

The former heavyweight champion, who has retained Hirschfeld in his business dealings, shares a horse farm with the attorney outside Charlottesville, where Hirschfeld lives.

Hirschfeld also has gained attention because he was called to testify in 1988 before Congress about secretly taped talks he had with deposed Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos in 1987.

The indictment returned by a federal grand jury charges Hirschfeld with conspiracy to defraud the IRS through a scheme to create a phony lawsuit settlement in order to generate a false deduction of $2.1 million.

The second count charges Hirschfeld with conspiring to defraud the SEC through a public offering of Robotronix Corp. stock. Robotronix, an electronic mail firm, was incorporated in February 1983 in Virginia.

The third and fourth counts allege Hirschfeld filed false tax returns in 1984 and 1983. The charges allege he underreported income and made false deductions.

The charges, according to prosecutors, stem from an alleged conspiracy that began in November 1983. A fraudulent tax deduction of about $2.1 million was allegedly created for Hirschfeld by using overvalued stock in a settlement of a lawsuit filed against him.

Hirschfeld allegedly worked out the false deduction in connection with a lawsuit filed by Robert Chastain in Utah. The indictment states Chastain is a resident of Utah and Virginia.

The indictment also covers a series of complicated stock deals linked to several firms, in which Hirschfeld is alleged to have tried to conceal the money involved.

Hirschfeld has generated controversy in his dealings with Ali. Some news organizations have hinted that he may have imitated Ali over the phone to help him with various transactions.

Ali suffers from Parkinson's syndrome, which slurs his speech. Hirschfeld has strongly denied imitating Ali.

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#90332u2009 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 28) UPI - Giancarlo Parretti, fresh from his successful acquisition of the MGM/UA studio, may make a last-minute effort to outbid Matsushita Electric Industrial's $6.6 billion offer for MCA Inc., sources said Wednesday.

Spokesmen for the Italian financier and MCA declined to comment on a possible competing bid, but a knowledgeable source confirmed that Parretti has approached MCA with an expression of interest.

However, an entertainment analyst said Wednesday that Parretti is a long shot at best to top Matsushita's bid, which consists of $6.13 billion in cash and about $500 million in stock for MCA's WWOR-TV station.

''I don't think that this can be taken seriously as an offer from an investor's point of view,'' said Jeff Logsdon of Seidler Amdec Securities in Los Angeles. ''All you have so far is a possible expression of interest.''

Matsushita's buyout offer was accepted by MCA on Monday after more than two months of negotiations, but some shareholders were disappointed the price was not higher than the final $66-a-share cash bid. Some analysts had initially expected the price couldreach as high as $90.

No competing bids for MCA - the entertainment giant that was for years eyed by Wall Street as a takeover target - have been made since it announced in late September that it was considering a buyout.

But Parretti may have a difficult time convincing the MCA board of directors that he can come up with more than $6.6 billion. He has been widely viewed as an investor who was just barely able to pull off the $1.36 billion MGM/UA deal which was repeatedly delayed and restructured in the eight months since it was first announced.

In a recent filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Parretti said that $625 million of the MGM/UA purchase price had been financed through the sale of rights to the studio's library.

The financial community remains highly skeptical of the success of the renamed MGM-Pathe studio because the rights deals have severely restricted the company's potential cash flow.

Analysts say that MCA's management apparently believed the deal with Matsushita, the world's largest consumer electronics producer, would enable it to compete effectively at a global level with other expanded entertainment companies, such as Time Warner Inc. and Sony Corp.

MCA stock gained 12.5 cents Wednesday to $65.875 a share on the New York Stock Exchange - just under the Matsushita buyout price - on volume of slightly more than 1 million shares.

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#90332u2020 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - The U.S. trade deficit in electronics narrowed in the first nine months this year as exports of U.S. electronics products surged and imports grew modestly, the Electronic Industries Association said Wednesday.

U.S. electronics exports grew 13 percent to nearly $54 billion for the first nine months of 1990 from $47.8 billion in the same period of 1989, the trade group said.

Imports of foreign electronics products in the same period reached approximately $58 billion, 2 percent higher than the $57 billion registered in the 1989 nine months.

The resulting electronics trade deficit of nearly $4 billion was down 58 percent from $9.5 billion in the first three quarters of 1989.

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#90332u2027 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon (NOV. 28) UPI - The Lebanese government, apparently intending to speed up the establishment of a militia-free Beirut, set next Monday as the final date for a complete army deployment in the capital.

''The cabinet decided that Monday morning will be the final date for the deployment of the army in greater Beirut,'' Information Minister Edmond Rizk said in a statement after a government session.

The announcement appeared designed to pressure Samir Geagea' Christian militia into speeding up the withdrawal of gunmen and equipment from mainly Christian east Beirut.

Moslem militia groups have already announced the disbanding of their military presence in Beirut in compliance with a Nov. 19 government deadline to eliminate militias and restore government authorities.

But Geagea's group, one of the heavily armed militia groups in Lebanon, has appeared to be slowing down the disbanding in east Beirut.

Earlier Wednesday, the Christian militia withdrew yet another ammunition-laden convoy from east Beirut and reiterated a vow to back the government peace efforts.

A statement by the Christian Lebanese Forces militia said the organization pulled 70 trucks loaded with 380 tons of ammunition and equipment from the neighborhood of Ashrafiyeh to the Kesrouwan district north of the city.

The militia has withdrawn about 1,240 tons of hardware from east Beirut, the militia statement said.

Several officials have accused Geagea of ''procrastination'' but the militia chief in a statement defended his stance.

''I pledge that the Lebanese Forces will facilitate the establishment of Greater Beirut,'' Geagea said in a statement broadcast on the Christian-operated Voice of Free Lebanon radio station.

Geagea criticized what he called token military withdrawals from Beirut by rival militia groups. ''We can pull out two military trucks and a number of jeeps as the others have done, but we are serious.''

Prime Minister Selim Hoss said in a statement that a speedy establishment of

''Greater Beirut'' was facing ''difficulties,'' but he did not elaborate.

Mohammed Baidoun, a member of the Shiite Amal militia Politburo, said he believed the Christian pullout was being slowed down because of hanging political problems.

''The Lebanese Forces is pushing to show itself as the sole representative of the Christians in Lebanon. They want a big share in the cabinet,'' Baidoun said.

The government has vowed to form a new cabinet once the militia withdrawals from Beirut were completed.

Moslem militia groups, namely Amal, the pro-Iranian Hezbollah and the Druze Progressive Socialist Party, declared that they have carried out a complete disbanding of their presence in Beirut.

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#90332u2057 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - Juanita Leonard, wife of Sugar Ray Leonard, says it was outside interference from advisers that eventually led to the breakup of their 10-year marriage.

Juanita Leonard, in an interview Wednesday with WRC-TV, said people seemed to be taking advantage of her husband and it caused problems for their marriage.

''I don't think it was so much that they though they owned him, as opposed to that they saw him as a vehicle, an opportunity,'' she said.

The Leonards began divorce proceedings earlier this month. Sugar Ray Leonard, who began his professional boxing career in 1979, currently holds the World Boxing Council's super middle-weight title.

Juanita Leonard said that there were other stresses on her marriage to Leonard. She indicated there had been another woman in her husband's life, but she didn't ''think he actually wanted a divorce at that point. ''

She said Leonard tended to be stubborn and was easier to live with when he was in training for a fight.

''When Ray was in training, things were a lot easier for me because he was a different kind of person. He was in his own world. He dedicated himself,'' she said.

''He was easier to get along with. He was just a lot easier when he was in training.''

Juanita Leonard said that despite the difficulties from outside pressure on their marriage she felt ''very secure with the fact that regardless of what might have happened, or what could happen, that Ray was coming home.''

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#90332u2068 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (NOV. 28) UPI - H&R Block Inc. Wednesday reported a second-quarter loss of $2.4 million, wider than the $166,000 loss recorded in the same period a year ago.

Revenues for the quarter ended Oct. 31 rose to $166.5 million from $149.6 million in the year-earlier fiscal 1990 period.

For the latest six months, Block said it lost $7.7 million, compared to $4.4 million in the comparable period last year. Revenues reached $307.8 million from $281.8 million.

Block said its pre-tax loss in the company's worldwide tax operations widened to $20.5 million in the latest quarter from $15.8 million a year ago. Tax operations lost $45.3 million during the six months, wider than $37.3 million the previous year.

The company attributed the tax division's losses primarily to increased depreciation associated with the nationwide rollout of ''Rapid Refund,'' its electronic filing product. Additional systems development and communications costs are expected as the program is expanded during the coming tax season, according to Block.

Pre-tax earnings at CompuServe Inc., Block's computer communications, information and software subsidiary, were $11.7 milion during second quarter, up from $9.7 million a year ago.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Henry R. Bloch said the company was pleased with improvements in investment income and earnings in most of its non-tax divisions, particularly CompuServe.

Block is evaluating options and plans at Path Management Industries Inc., which reported pre-tax losses for the quarter and six months.

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#90332u2076 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 28) UPI - The case against the so-called Keating Five senators suffered a setback Wednesday when the former chief savings and loan regulator conceded that only one of the lawmakers ''did something wrong'' during a 1987 meeting central to influence-peddling allegations.

In the seventh day of hearings before the Senate ethics committee, Edwin Gray, chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board from May 1983 to June 1987, singled out Sen. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., as the sole senator attending an April 2, 1987, meeting who acted improperly.

Gray, a key witness in the case against the senators, said the other three senators present at that meeting, Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., John Glenn, D-Ohio, and John McCain, R-Ariz., acted ethically at the meeting.

The hearings are to determine whether the five senators exerted unacceptable pressure on Gray and other bank regulators to benefit indicted former S&L operator Charles Keating Jr., who contributed $1.3 million to the senators' re-election campaigns and other favorite causes.

Earlier in the day, lawyers representing DeConcini and Cranston attacked Gray's credibility, painting him as a public relations specialist mired in his own ethics problems and carrying a grudge against the senators.

Gray testified Tuesday he felt ''pressured and awkward'' at the April 2 meeting, which was held in DeConcini's office with aides excluded from attending - a step Gray said was to provide the senators ''deniability'' for improper actions.

Gray accused DeConcini of offering a deal on behalf of Keating under which the bank board would withdraw a regulation limiting risky direct investments by thrifts in exchange for having Keating's California-based Lincoln Savings and Loan, which failed in 1989, make more home loans.

Under questioning from the committee's vice chairman, Sen. Warren Rudman, R-N.H., Gray admitted that he objected only to DeConcini's conduct at the meeting.

''As an actor, as someone who did something at the meeting, the only one who you felt did something wrong, from your point of view, was Sen. DeConcini?'' asked Rudman.

''Right,'' Gray responded.

Gray said the others would have been acting improperly if DeConcini were ''speaking for'' them at the session, but he said the other three neither embraced nor rejected DeConcini's alleged offer. Riegle was not present at the meeting.

That meeting and one held on April 9, 1987, with officials directly responsible for the Lincoln probe form the backbone of claims the five senators improperly pressed the regulators to assist Keating, who now faces criminal racketeering charges in California.

James Hamilton, DeConcini's lawyer, asked Gray whether he knew of any existing laws or Senate rules broken by DeConcini's alleged deal.

''I don't,'' said Gray, but added ''in my mind, in my heart, I know that as a basic instinct'' the offer was improper.

''This was a show of force, pure and simple,'' Gray said, on behalf of Keating described as ''a political benefactor and friend'' of the senators.

Hamilton asked why Gray, if so outraged, never reported it to the Justice Department or ethics committee.

''I didn't see anything criminal about this. You would only report to the Department of Justice if it were a criminal matter ... I didn't know there was a Senate ethics committee, with all due respect to you gentlemen.''

Gray added that ''there was a lot of (S&L) money chasing a lot of politicians'' at the time and had Congress listened to him ''we might not have this disaster'' - the collapse of the S&L industry and subsequent $500 billion taxpayer bailout.

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#90332u2092 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

YAKIMA, Wash. (NOV. 28) UPI - A group of Washington apple growers Wednesday filed a lawsuit against CBS Inc. and the National Resources Defense Council, charging that a ''60 Minutes'' television show segment on the chemical Alar caused devastating financial damage to the apple industry.

The suit filed in Yakima County Superior Court by 11 growers seeks a minimum of $500,000 in damages for losses stemming from the February 1989 broadcast by ''60 Minutes'' on Alar.

The broadcast highlighted a report by the NRDC which claimed that Alar, a preservative used on apples to enhance their appearance and prolong their shelf life, posed a serious cancer risk. The risk was especially high for children, the report said, because they consume so many apple products in the form of juice and sauce.

Following the broadcast, sales of apples plummeted, with growers losing $8 or more per box.

Desmond O'Rourke, an economist with Washington State University, said the direct losses to Washington apples growers were about $130 million for the 1988-89 growing season, or about 15 percent of a crop with an original estimated value of about $875 million.

He said indirect losses, including money lost to suppliers, was between $250

million and $300 million.

The plaintiffs in the suit, which also cites about 50 unnamed co- defendants, charged the NRDC report contained ''false, misleading and scientifically unreliable statements'' that resulted in a sharp drop in apple prices.

''The conduct of the defendants ... constitutes unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of any trade or commerce,'' the suit said.

The suit also claims ''60 Minutes'' producers knew the NRDC findings were controversial but decided to proceed with the broadcast.

Officials with CBS and the NRDC were not available for comment.

Grady Auvil, one of the plaintiffs and a grower who introduced the Granny Smith apple to Washington state, said CBS and the NRDC were motivated by sensationalism in producing the broadcast. He said they knew Alar was being phased out.

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#90332u2171 11/28/1990 ~United Press International

BROWNING, Mont. (NOV. 28) UPI - Several cars of a freight train were blown off the tracks Wednesday as a blizzard with winds gusting to 90 mph raked northern Montana, stranding snowplows and highway patrolmen in the drifting snow.

No one was hurt when several cars of the Burlington Northern freight were blown off the tracks, said Sue Grimm of the Glacier County Sheriffs Department in Cut Bank.

''Snowplows are stuck, highway patrolmen are stuck,'' she said.

There was no estimate of the number of people stranded in the storm, as the National Weather Service reported ''very large snow drifts and near-zero visibility.''

Grimm said the hardest hit area was from East Glacier to Browning on the Blackfeet Indian Reservation about 40 miles south of the Canadian border, where up to 2 feet of snowfall was reported.

''People should not venture outdoors,'' the Weather Service said in a blizzard warning.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - As many as 13 of the 15 U-N Security Council members are

expected to approve tomorrow's motion to authorize the use of force against Iraqi invaders. And so far, NONE of the five permanent members has indicated it would veto the resolution giving Iraq until January 15th to leave Kuwait.

At the same time, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater is rejecting a report by the International Atomic Energy Agency, which said that Iraq is NOT diverting reactor fuels to nuclear weapons. Fitzwater says the agency is worng and that Baghdad will have a nuclear device within six months.

Evidence gathered by the State Department indicates that economic sanctions are beginning to take their toll on Iraq. But the government says the bite is NOT deep enough to force Saddam Hussein's troops from Kuwait. State Department spokesman Richard Boucher says the export of Iraqi oil has been cut off, depriving Iraq of its main source of income... and that there is a shortage of tires, spare parts and chemicals. But he says there's NO proof the embargo will work. As he puts it- ''the ruling elite are the last to be affected. Saddam still seems to believe he can play for time. ''

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan is blaming much of the current U-S economic slump on rising oil prices and threats of a Persian Gulf war. Greenspan told the House Banking Committee that rising oil prices are slowing economic growth and the threat of war has cast a cloud of uncertainty over consumer confidence. When asked whether the United States should fight in the Gulf to protect jobs, Greenspan replied- ''that's NOT an INappropriate view.''

The wife of Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry has moved out of the house she shared with him. A spokeswoman for Effi Barry says the mayor's wife and son have ''re-located'' and that the matter is ''a very personal one.'' Observers have said that Barry's 10-week trial on drug possession charges strained the 12-year marriage, particularly as witness after witness testified about Barry's womanizing. The three-term mayor, who leaves office in January, lost his bid for an at-large seat on the City Council.

The National Weather Service forecast for winter is here... and it says temperatures from December through February will be colder than normal east of the Mississippi River. But the mercury is expected to rise slightly higher than average from the Plains states... west to the Pacific Coast. The chilly forecast for the East is based on warmer Pacific Ocean water that will ''exaggerate'' the jet steam... pushing the air mass farther North and East... in turn, drawing colder Arctic air south.

A federal study shows that more people in the United States died in 1988 than in any one year on record. Deaths due to murder, AIDS and influenza rose... while mortality from heart disease, stroke and cancer declined. The study by the Centers for Disease Control says there was a 20-percent increase in the death rate for AIDS during the one-year period. Blacks had higher rates for most of the leading causes of death. The homicide death rate for blacks was six times that for whites and the AIDS death rate for blacks was three times

that for whites. However, deaths by suicide and chronic obstructive lung disease were more prevalent among whites.

The U-S Army Corps of Engineers says rumors that the Mississippi River is bubbling along the New Madrid Fault are just a lot of hot air. Spokesman Ken Kruchowski says he received several calls in the past two days from people saying the river is bubbling as a precursor to the quake, but that there is NO such thing going on. The rumors are fueling near-hysteria in the Midwest because of a prediction that there is a 50-50 chance for a severe earthquake in the central United States on, or about, December 3rd.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - The Bush administration today expressed confidence that a U-N Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq will pass tomorrow. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater told reporters- ''Obviously, we have worked on this, talking to various countries and we believe it will pass.'' The New York Times reports that the United States and the Soviet Union have resolved their differences and decided that a January 15th deadline be set for Saddam Hussein to withdraw his troops from Kuwait.

Britain's youngest prime minister this century is pledging to build on his predecessor's achievements by fostering- quote- ''a society of opportunity.'' 47-year-old John Mayor spoke with reporters in London today outside Number 10 Downing Street... the prime minister's official residence... after being invited by Queen Elizabeth to form a new government.

Major wasted NO time in reshuffling the Cabinet he inherited from Margaret Thatcher. He made eight changes among about 20 Cabinet-level posts, although that figure is flexible and could change. Among Major's appointments was that of leadership opponent Michael Heseltine to the post of environment secretary. That means Heseltine will have to deal with the wildly unpopular poll or head tax.

Boston researchers say daily doses of the old and controversial drug warfarin can reduce the risk of strokes in some elderly people. Dr. Philip Kistler of the Massachusetts General Hospital says a study of 420 people with the common heart disorder atrial fibrillation found the drug was ''highly effective'' in reducing their risk of stroke. Kistler called the results ''extremely positive.''

The governor of the nation's richest state today ordered the Legislature to meet in a special session next week to consider one BILLION dollars in emergency spending cuts and transfers. California Governor George Deukmejian says if the Legislature doesn't quickly implement his austerity plan, the state could deplete its reserves, face a budget shortfall and lose its cherished triple-A bond rating.

California state officials say the state's landmark law requiring the owners of asault weapons to register their firearms by January 1st is being largely ignored. Officials say fewer than three percent of the estimated 200-thousand to 300-thousand assault weapons in the state have been registered. California became the first state in the nation to ban sales of the military style guns last January. The National Rifle Association says gun owners are refusing to register their assault weapons as an act of civil disobedience to protest the law.

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OVERLAND PARK, KS (NOV. 28) UPI - The NCAA is expected to announce a decision Thursday on whether it will modify its postseason ban against the University of Nevada-Las Vegas basketball team.

UNLV has scheduled a news conference for Thursday 3:00 p.m. EST, the same time the NCAA will announce its decision.

The Runnin' Rebels, who won the national championship last April with a resounding victory over Duke, had their chance to defend their title denied in July when the NCAA's Committee On Infractions banned them from the 1991 tournament.

The NCAA's decision was the culmination of a 13-year legal battle with Coach Jerry Tarkanian, which went all the way to the Supreme Court. The penalty was said to be for violations committed 15 years ago, when the NCAA ordered Tarkanian suspended for ''recruiting and organizational violations.''

During the summer, school officials presented a written appeal on the ruling and in early October they appeared before the NCAA Council for an oral presentation. The NCAA decided to rehear the appeal on Oct. 28, and that time Tarkanian and UNLV officials presented four compromises that would allow the Rebels to defend their title.

One option would be to ban the team from playing in the 1992 tournament. The second was to ban just Tarkanian and not the team from the tourney - something that Tarkanian had already volunteered - and the final two options were multi-layered, involving restrictions on recruitment and a monitoring of the school's basketball program.

The Runnin' Rebels won the school's first NCAA championship in dramatic fashion last April, overwhelming Duke 103-73 in the most lopsided championship game in history.

With four starters, Larry Johnson, Stacey Augmon, Anderson Hunt and Greg Anthony returning for the 1990-91 season a repeat title seemed likely until

the NCAA's ruling.

UNLV could also face further sanctions as the NCAA is investigating possible violations in the recruiting of Lloyd Daniels, who never played for the school.

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(NOV. 28) UPI - The U-N Security Council today unanimously voted to condemn Iraqi atrocities against Kuwait and place Kuwait's civil records in U-N custody. The council voted 15 quote- ''condemns the attempts by Iraq to alter the demographic composition'' of Kuwait and to destory the country's civil records. The vote followed two days of accounts from Kuwaiti refugees about the systematic destruction of the Kuwaiti society, killings, rapes and looting.

The Security Council is expected to pass a resolution sanctioning the use of force against Iraq when it votes this week. As many as 13 of the Security Council's 15 member nations are expected to approve the resolution. NONE of the five permanent members... the United States, Britain, France, the Soviet Union and China... have indicated they will veto it. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater predicted passage, saying- ''Obviously, we have worked on this, talking to various countries and we believe it will pass.''

A group of apple growers in Washington state are suing C-B-S Incorporated and the National Resources Defense Council over last year's Alar scare. In a lawsuit filed today in Yakima County Superior Court, 11 growers charge that a ''60 Minutes'' television show segment on the chemical preservative Alar caused devastating financial damage to the apple industry. The suit seeks a minimum of 500-thousand dollars in damages for losses. The broadcast highlighted a report by the N-R-D-C which claimed that Alar, which is used to enhance the appearance and prolong the shelf life of apples, posed a serious cancer risk.

Unseasonably warm weather swept the Great Lakes and the Ohio Valley and moved into the Northeast today. The mild temperatures set or tied records in 46 cities before turning cooler. Elsewhere, rain pounded the South and soggy Washington state. A freeze warning was posted for the hill country of southern Texas and for much of Tennessee for tonight. And floods contributed to the death of an Indiana man as flood waters from the Little Calumet River went on a rampage in the northwestern part of the state. Hundreds of people fled their homes.

In Cairo, the discovery of a fungus growing on priceless artifacts today forced Egyptian authorities to close the tomb of Egyptian Pharaoh Tutankhamen Toot-ahnk-AH'-muhn. Officials say that Tutankhamen's 35- hundred-year-old tomb in southern Egypt will be closed to visitors at least ''until the end of July'' for renovations. The tomb's interior also will be treated against bacteria and fungi. Officials say fungi started growing on the artifacts

within the burial chamber and a committee of experts will discuss ways to prevent it from damaging the tomb and its ancient treasure.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 28) UPI - Rob Pilatus, half of the scandal-rocked pop music duo Milli Vanilli, was arrested for sexual battery Tuesday, police said.

Pilatus, 26, was arrested at 5:30 a.m. at his home in the exclusive Bel-Air section of Los Angeles. He was released after posting $10,485 bond, Sgt. David Rossi said.

Sexual battery, depending on the specifics of the crime, can be prosecuted either as a felony or a misdemeanor. Rossi said detectives will ask the District Attorney's Office to file felony charges against Pilatus, which would carry a maximum 4-year jail term upon conviction.

California law defines sexual battery as touching ''an intimate part of another person while that person is unlawfully restrained.''

The victim was a 25-year-old woman, Rossi said.

Pilatus and fellow German, Fab Morvan, were stripped of the Grammy award the duo won when it was announced by their manager that the pair had not sung on their album, ''Girl You Know It's True,'' which sold 7 million copies and led to their award as the best new group of 1989.

A neighbor told the Santa Monica Outlook that she saw police escorting Pilatus and a young, blond woman from his house early Tuesday morning. Later in the day, Pilatus, Morvan and two other men left the house in a black jeep with Pilatus saying, ''Too much publicity.''

Milli Vanilli admitted lip-synching at concerts and even at the Grammy awards show last March. At a news conference, they said they had been seduced by fame and fortune and ''made a pact with the devil.''

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PARIS (NOV. 28) UPI - A truck driver transporting Old Master paintings worth more than $5 million took a break at a bar, leaving the ignition keys on the dashboard, and thieves drove off with the loot, police said Wednesday.

The thieves abandoned most of their haul hours later, officers said.

A total of 50 canvases by Watteau, Fragonard and Rubens and others from Flemish, Dutch and French schools were aboard the truck when the driver and

the porters working with him stopped at the bar in the center of Paris shortly before midnight Tuesday, police said.

''They stopped for a glass and after a while they noticed the truck no longer was outside,'' said Christopher Hirel, a bartender at the General Lafayette, a popular watering hole that stays open into the early hours.

''When they realized what was happening they raced into the street,'' Hirel told France's Antenne-2 television. ''But the truck had disappeared into thin air.''

The driver acknowledged that he had left the ignition keys on the dash, police said.

Late Wednesday, police sources said officers had found the truck abandoned in Paris with most of its precious cargo still inside. A preliminary police inspection found the main item missing was a collection of plate glass works signed by the early 20th-century master Emile Galle, the sources said.

Hirel said the driver and his team were regular clients at the General Lafayette, an old-style Parisian brasserie with a zinc-topped bar, sawdust on the floor and a green and white awning sheltering tables on the sidewalk.

The truck had collected the artworks from the luxurious Crillon Hotel on the vast Place de la Concorde, where they had been displayed at an exhibit titled ''Art Nouveau _ Art Deco.''

The driver and porters were taking the paintings to Bagnolet in the suburbs of Paris en route for Strasbourg, Eastern France, where they were to be auctioned on Thursday.

An investigator said the thieves probably were ''amateurs,'' and noted that the paintings were ''difficult to trade.''

The inquiry was being conducted by the Brigade for the Repression of Banditry, a specialized police detection unit.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (NOV. 28) UPI - Citing insufficient evidence, prosecutors declined Wednesday to charge Axl Rose of the heavy metal band Guns 'N Roses for allegedly bashing a neighbor over her head with a wine bottle.

In lieu of the criminal charges, prosecutors will arrange an informal hearing at which both Rose and the woman will meet with a representative of the district attorney in an attempt to ensure that no future confrontations occur.

The hearing was not immediately scheduled, Sandi Gibbons, a spokeswoman for the office, said.

Rose, 28, the lead singer of the band, was arrested Oct. 30 at his West Hollywood condominium for allegedly hitting the neighbor, Gabriela Kantor, 37, over the head with the bottle of wine.

He was booked on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon and was released a short time later after posting $5,000 bail.

Sheriff's deputies said Kantor and Rose had been involved in an ongoing dispute about loudly played music in his unit.

Rose contended he had repeatedly complained to the building's homeowners association about Kantor's own loud music-playing. Rose also claimed that Kantor behaves like an overzealous fan.

Since the incident, Rose has reportedly decided to sell his condo and move into a single-family home.

Investigators said Rose had been arguing with Kantor in the 12th- story hallway of the building when he grabbed the woman's car keys and threw them out his sliding glass door to the ground below. He then allegedly took the wine from Kantor, poured out the bottle's contents and struck her on the head, investigators said.

Rose said the argument began when he heard Kantor yelling, went into the hallway and told her to ''shut up.''

He said she retaliated by swinging the wine bottle at him and throwing her keys into his apartment. The singer said he then closed his door and threw the keys over the balcony.

''She was pounding on the door, trying to get in,'' he said at the time. ''If she has any bruises, it was because she was throwing herself against the door. She was doing it to herself.''

''It's really weird,'' he added. ''She cranks my music all the time.''

Earlier this year, sheriff's deputies went to Rose's condo after receiving complaints about loud music. Immediately after the incident, Rose filed a harassment complaint against the Sheriff's Department.

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PHOENIX (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - America West Vacations, the tour package division of America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA), will expand its

services to offer Arizona as a vacation destination beginning Jan. 1, 1991.

The Arizona packages, which include air transportation, hotel accommodations and many options, will go on sale Dec. 1. Designed to meet the needs of today's vacation traveler, America West Vacations offers packages to some of Arizona's most famous vacation spots in Phoenix and the Valley of the Sun, Tucson, Sedona and Flagstaff/Grand Canyon.

''America West Vacations offers customers top-of-the-line services from air transportation to hotel accommodations at competitive prices,'' said Kathy Christensen, manager-Arizona marketing at America West Vacations.

''Utilizing America West Airlines, Arizona's largest air carrier, our vacation packages provide customers maximum flexibility by offering convenient and frequent flights to the state.''

''We look forward to America West Vacations' expansion into the Arizona market with great anticipation,'' said Richard Kerr, senior director of America West Vacations.

''America West Vacations is already the largest tour package wholesaler in Nevada and one of the top five wholesalers in Hawaii. These two markets, along with the addition of Arizona, represent major revenue opportunities for America West.''

America West, the nation's number one carrier in on-time performance, operates a fuel-efficient fleet of 103 Boeing aircraft, including 747s, 757s, 737s and de Havilland Dash 8s. The carrier recently acquired up to 118 Airbus A320s and will operate 16 of the new aircraft by mid-1991. America West offers convenient service with more than 650 daily flights from coast to coast and across the Pacific to Hawaii.

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LAGUNA HILLS, CALIF. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Research has shown that breaking the addiction to cigarettes is more than just stopping, it's quitting and avoiding relapse.

With this knowledge, Advantage Life Products, marketers of the No. 1-selling CigArrest stop smoking product line, has developed a new Two Step System to help smokers quit and remain smoke-free.

Studies show that over 75 percent of smokers who quit relapse and resume smoking within 90 days. ''We are dedicated to helping smokers understand that

quitting, not for a few weeks, but for good, is the key. And this new Two Step System is the first product designed to help them to do just that,'' said Charles Sleichter, president of Advantage.

Step one, the original CigArrest Stop Smoking Kit, combines a behavior-modification program with smoking-deterrent tablets to help motivated smokers stop. Step two, Relapse Prevention, is comprised of a suggested five-week maintenance program that utilizes CigArrest gum or tablets to help smokers overcome their occasional craving for cigarettes and avoid relapse.

In support of the Two Step System, new packaging and point-of-sale materials have been designed to help the consumer and retailer understand each element of the system and its purpose. The new Two Step point-of-sale merchandise includes a product information brochure for easy in-store identification and consumer education.

The Two Steps to Stop Smoking Success marketing program includes new creative advertising for both print and radio. ''We've redesigned both our print advertising and broadcast spots to stress the Two Step concept,'' said Sleichter.

Advantage Life Products markets the retail CigArrest Stop Smoking product line which holds an 80 percent share of the over-the-counter smoking cessation market.

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WILMINGTON, MA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - (NASDAQ:DRCO) Dynamics Research Corp. announced Thursday that the Air Force Logistics Command has awarded the company a contract for $7 million to continue work on the Air Force's Weapon Systems Management Information System and other logistic systems.

This contract carries this effort, which began in 1982, through September 1991.

Al Rand, president and CEO said, ''This system gives the Air Force an automated capability to assess aircraft readiness, sustainability and spare parts requirements. Timely and accurate assessments of readiness and spares availability are even more important in time of increased tactical requirements. When options in the contract are exercised, we expect this program to continue into the middle nineties at the same annual revenue rate.''

Dynamics Research Corp. provides a wide range of specialized technical services to the Department of Defense and also manufactures components for industrial measurement and control.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - MOSEL, a Silicon Valley-based specialty memory company, Thursday announced that Bruce Walicek, former vice president of Sales at Via Technologies has joined MOSEL as director of Sales for the United States and Europe.

In this position, Walicek is responsible for the sales activities for all product lines and management of the sales organization.

Most recently, Walicek was vice president of sales for Via Technologies Inc., a chip set company in Sunnyvale where he was in charge of establishing and managing the company's worldwide sales force. Prior to that, Walicek held several sales and sales management positions with VLSI Technology Inc., California Devices Inc. and Texas Instruments.

Walicek holds a master's of business administration degree from Santa Clara University and a bachelor's of science degree from Southwest Texas State University. He currently resides in San Jose.

MOSEL is a manufacturer of state of the art specialty memory products including Latch RAMs, FIFOs, Cache Data RAMs, Dual Port SRAMs, Voice ROMs, Video Color Palette devices in addition to high speed bytewide SRAMs and industrial temperature SRAMs.

With sales up 75 percent in 1989, the company is one of the fastest growing in the semiconductor industry. MOSEL is located at 914 West Maude Ave., Sunnyvale, CA.

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PHOENIX (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Microtest was recently named to the 1990 Inc. 500 list of America's top 500 fastest-growing privately held companies. Microtest ranked number 273 on the eighth annual list, published in the December issue of Inc. magazine. Only three other Phoenix companies made the list and Microtest was ranked the highest of all of them. Also on the list are two Tempe-based companies and a company based in Tucson.

Over the past six years, Microtest, a privately-held company, has experienced

rapid growth and expects to report 1990 revenues in excess of $10 million. Last year, the company reported $4 million in revenues. According to the Inc. 500 list the company has increased sales by 1,249 percent in the four-year period measured from 1985 to 1989.

Founded in 1984 on the premise that Local Area Networks (LANs) permit users to be more reliable and cost-effective, Microtest Inc. has evolved and today markets over 40 diagnostic and connectivity products for industry-standard LANs. Since the introduction of Cable Scanner in 1988, Microtest's products have captured national recognition in the industry, including winning several Product of the Year awards for 1989 and 1990 in LAN Magazine.

To be eligible for selection to the 1990 Inc. 500, a company must be independent and privately held. Furthermore, companies had to show at least $100,000 but no more than $25 million in sales for 1985 and had to register a sales increase between 1985 and 1989.

"Thanks to the Inc. 500 list, Microtest is now nationally recognized as a significant business growth leader in the United States," said David Bolles, Microtest president and founder. "Currently, we employ over seventy people in the Phoenix area, and we hope to double that number by next year at this time."

According to Inc., "Other businesses typically think about serving a market, but Inc. 500 companies seem to think about creating a market. They set out to do something no one else is doing." As a group, the companies on this year's list boosted their collective revenues from $563 million in 1985 to $9.6 billion last year. The companies created 56,858 new jobs.

Microtest Inc., founded in 1984, designes, manufactures, and markets innovative solutions for users of computer networks and electrical communications systems. Microtest has pioneered several firsts in network diagnostics and connectivity products, which increase the reliability, productivity and convenience of local area networks.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Utilicorp United (NYSE:UCU) Thursday is offering through underwriters two maturities of senior notes totaling $250 million.

A five-year series of notes totaling $125 million is offered at an annual coupon interest rate of 9.3 percent and a 30-year series totaling $125 million is offered at an annual coupon interest rate of 10.5 percent.

Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette is lead underwriter for the offering and Smith

Barney, Harris Upham & Co. and Kidder Peabody & Co. are co-underwriters.

Net proceeds of the transaction will be used to reduce short-term debt incurred primarily as a result of capital and acquisition-related expenditures.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides gas and electric service to 820,000 customers in eight states and in British Columbia. Its divisions are Missouri Public Service, Peoples Natural Gas, Michigan Gas Utilities, West Virginia Power, Northern Minnesota Utilities and Kansas Public Service. West Kootenay Power is a Canadian subsidiary. PSI and UtilCo Group are non-regulated subsidiaries.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Marathon National Bank (OTC) Thursday announced the appointment of one of Marathon's founding officers to the position of chief administrative officer (CAO).

Timothy J. Herles, 49, who has served as the bank's cashier and senior credit officer since it was formed seven years ago, has been named chief administrative officer.

President and Chief Executive Officer J. F. "Chip" Morrow said that Herles, who is presently responsible for Marathon's lending, banking operations and business development activities, will assume greater general management responsibilities.

Herles, who will also retain his title as the bank's executive vice president, has been a banker in Los Angeles for 27 years, including 13 years with Security Pacific National Bank.

At Sept. 30, Marathon National Bank, which is located on the Westside of Los Angeles, reported assets of $148 million. Marathon also reported that it remains one of the small number of independent California banks receiving the highest quality rating from bank analysts such as The Findlay Report and Veribanc.

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OMAHA, NE (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Walter Scott, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Peter Kiewit Sons' Inc., announced Thursday the appointment of David L. Sokol as president and chief executive officer of Kiewit Energy Co.

Peter Kiewit Sons' Inc. is a privately held firm headquartered in Omaha, with extensive interests in construction, mining and packaging.

Kiewit Energy Co. will primarily be focused on acquiring, through development or acquisitions, long term energy related assets. Potential opportunities include cogeneration, Independent Power Production, hydroelectric power and similar types of facilities.

Scott stated, ''With the growing need for new power facilities, we believe it's timely to focus our efforts through an entity dedicated to this market. David Sokol has developed a national reputation for the development of energy assets and we are excited to have him on the Kiewit team.''

Sokol was formerly co-president of Ogden Corp., as well as president and chief executive officer of Ogden Projects Inc. Sokol is a graduate of the University of Nebraska with a bachelor of science in civil engineering and is a registered Professional Civil Engineer.

Sokol stated, ''Having been born and raised in Omaha, it is the fulfillment of a long term goal to have the opportunity to meaningfully contribute to the Kiewit organization. Given the construction, mining and financial capabilities of Kiewit, and its commitment to the energy industry, Kiewit Energy Co. will have a very bright future. I am fortunate to be able to play a part in that future.''

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MENLO PARK, CA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Network General Corp. (NASDAQ:NETG) announced Thursday the acquisition of certain assets and liabilities of David Brown Associates Inc.

David Brown Associates is a sales organization that distributes and represents products in the data communications marketplace. David Brown Associates, with 11 employees, represents Network General's products in the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee. The amount paid was not disclosed.

Network General is a leading supplier of software-based tools that help troubleshoot networking problems and optimize network performance. Network

General is headquartered at 4200 Bohannon Drive, Menlo Park, Calif. 94025-1097; telephone: 415/688-2700.

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ALISO VIEJO, CA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Armor All Products Corp. (NASDAQ:ARMR) at its meeting Thursday declared a quarterly dividend of 16 cents per share on the common stock payable Jan. 2, 1991 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 10, 1990.

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DALLAS (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Ed Haggar Sr. announced that Joe M. Haggar III has been named president and chief executive officer of Haggar Apparel Co. at the opening of the firm's national sales meeting here yesterday.

Dallas-based Haggar is the nation's largest manufacturer of men's slacks, sport coats, suits and ready-to-wear suit separates.

Ed Haggar, currently chairman of the board, stated that president and Chief Executive Officer Joe M. Haggar Jr., will assume duties as chairman of the board. Ed Haggar will become honorary chairman of the board. All changes are effective April 2, the start of the company's fiscal third quarter 1991.

Joe Haggar III will still maintain his present duties as president of Haggar Menswear at this time. He was executive vice president of merchandising and sales of Haggar Menswear before assuming his current position in 1985.

Joe Haggar Jr., who will be 66 in February, has served as Haggar's president since 1971 and chief executive officer since 1985. At the announcement of his successor, Joe Haggar Jr. stated the decision reflects Haggar's desire to continue its development from a ''main-stream'' apparel manufacturer to one which produces clothing with more casual, updated styling to reach a broader base while continuing to serve its traditional customers.

Both Ed Haggar Sr. and Joe Haggar Jr. expressed thanks to customers, suppliers and especially Haggar's many loyal associates for their support and cooperation in the past. They both felt that the strong relationships Joe Haggar III has developed with these contacts over the years will help him lead Haggar to further growth and continued profitability in the future.

Joe Haggar III, who will be 39 when he assumes his new positions, joined the company's management training program in 1973. He worked in data processing, production control, manufacturing and sales.

He later trained in the Dallas corporate headquarters and in two manufacturing plants. In 1976, he was named Dallas service center manager, later serving as national brand manager and vice president of Division II, directing three Haggar brands.

A member of the Salesmanship Club of Dallas and the Young Presidents Organization, Joe Haggar III serves on the board of the Texas Business Hall of Fame. A graduate of the University of Notre Dame, he played varsity football for the school for three years.

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PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Louisiana-Pacific Corp. (NYSE:LPX) announced Thursday that the record decline in the homebuilding market and sharply lower prices for building products have forced the company to curtail production at many plants for varying periods of time during the fourth quarter.

Some of those curtailments may continue into the first quarter of 1991.

As a result of the cutbacks and continued declines in the pulp segment, sales and earnings will be lower than most Wall Street forecasts. The company said that fourth quarter earnings could be near or below break-even levels.

The company said that the curtailments and temporary shutdowns are part of an industry-wide pattern brought on by significant price drops in lumber, oriented strand board and plywood since the third quarter.

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ENCINO, CALIF. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - David M. Kinchen, director of marketing for Arnold Dubin & Co., has been named an honorary life member of the National Association of Real Estate Editors (NAREE), the professional group's highest honor.

Kinchen, 52, formerly a staff writer in the real estate section of the Los Angeles Times, has been a NAREE member since 1970 and was president of the 61-year-old professional journalism association in 1984. Upon leaving The Times in August, 1990, he joined the Dubin firm, an accountancy corporation that specializes in real estate and business consulting. Kinchen was real estate editor for six years at the Milwaukee Sentinel before coming to The Times in 1976.

Others named honorary life members at the NAREE meeting in New Orleans were Robert F. Brennan, retired real estate editor of the Cleveland Press; Polly Lane, former real estate editor of the Seattle Times; and Liz Whitney, former real estate editor of the St. Petersburg (Fla.) Times.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - In a plenary session Thursday at the annual meeting of the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA), Dr. Robert Gould, Professor of Radiology, University of California, San Francisco presented recent results showing the use of Ultrafast CT for early detection and ruling out of coronary artery disease.

According to Dr. Gould, ''The increased sensitivity for detection of coronary artery disease is a result of the unique use of electron-beam technology that captures images 5 to 10 times faster than all other CT scanners, and thus freezes motion of the beating heart.''

Imatron Inc. (NASDAQ:IMAT) is the developer and exclusive supplier of electron-beam scanners that are currently in use at 27 hospitals in the United States, Europe, Japan, and Asia.

The Imatron Ultrafast CT screening examination is performed in just a few minutes and does not require the patient to be injected with iodinated contrast media. In an RSNA press release on Monday Nov. 26, Dr. Jerome Breen stated: ''Ultrafast CT appeared to be able to rule out significant coronary artery disease in 100 percent of the cases we studied.'' Dr. Breen presented the results of studies performed at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. involving a group of 100 patients. According to Dr. Breen, ''Ultrafast CT is exquisitely sensitive at detecting the presence of calcium in coronary arteries, a sign of atherosclerotic disease.''

Imatron Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets CT products for medical diagnostic imaging, industrial applications, and baggage screening. Imatron products include the electron-beam Ultrafast CT scanner, which captures high speed images of the heart as well as radiological chest and body scans free of

motion-induced artifacts.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - John R. Beckett, who most recently has served as president, chief executive and chairman of Transamerica Corp., has been appointed a member of the board of trustees of Western Investment Real Estate Trust (ASE:WIR).

Beckett's appointment is effective Jan. 1, 1991. He replaces Chester R. MacPhee Sr., who will become trustee emeritus.

In announcing the appointment, O.A. Talmage, president and chief executive officer of WIRET, said: ''It is a distinct pleasure to welcome John Beckett to our board. His years of experience in real estate and business will make him an invaluable member of our team.''

Prior to joining Transamerica as a director in 1959, Beckett was first vice president and director of Blyth & Co. Inc., a nationwide investment underwriting firm, assistant to the president of Seattle Gas Co., senior financial analyst with the Securities and Exchange Commission, financial analyst with Duff and Phelps and valuation analyst with Pacific Gas and Electric Co.

In addition, he is a retired director of American President Companies Ltd., Bank of America N.T. & S.A., BankAmerica Corp., Texas Eastern Corp., Kaiser Tech Ltd. and The Clorox Co., and during his Transamerica years was a member and then chairman of the U.S. State Department's Advisory Committee on International Business Problems (1968-1974).

His many business accomplishments were recognized in 1979 when Financial World magazine name him one of the nation's 10 most outstanding chief executives.

Beckett is a San Francisco native and earned both bachelor's and master's degrees in economics at Stanford University. In 1980, he was awarded an honorary doctorate in business administration from the University of Santa Clara. He resides in Atherton.

Western Investment Real Estate Trust is a self-administered equity real estate investment trust based in San Francisco which invests in a diversified portfolio of income-producing properties consisting primarily of shopping centers and commercial buildings in northern and central California and northern Nevada.

Founded in 1962, the Trust has investments in 58 income-producing properties, including 35 supermarkets and shopping centers.

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REDMOND, WA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Systems has introduced Voicelink predictive dialing technology in Japan through an agreement with Kawasaki Steel Corp., the country's third largest producer of steel, and C. Itoh Techno-Science Co. Ltd. (CTC), part of the leading international trading corporation, C. Itoh & Co. The announcement was made in Tokyo Nov. 9 and the system made its debut at the Telemarketing Fair Tokyo '90 on Nov. 13-14.

The introduction culminates a year of intensive Voicelink customization and joint development in preparation for the premier of Voicelink predictive dialing technology in Japan.

"This event marks just the beginning of a partnership and one of many new breakthroughs ahead as we work with Kawasaki and CTC to develop new applications and services to meet the needs of Japanese business," said Michael Darland, president and chief executive officer of Digital Systems.

In addition to offering the system for direct sale, CTC is also establishing a telemarketing service bureau, giving Japanese companies the option to purchase a system outright or to use the services of a Voicelink calling center. A similar center operated by Digital Systems as part of its U.S. operations quickly grew from seven to 325 workstations.

Under the agreement, Kawasaki Steel, which is noted for technological excellence, will modify the system for use in Japan and manufacture the system with components supplied by Digital Systems. CTC, considered a leading system integrator in Japan, will market, distribute and service the system and handle any necessary customization.

Voicelink with Intelligent Dialing gives business immediate and economic access to customers by phone, while minimizing the labor expense associated with manual dialing. Leading U.S. companies in banking, finance, telecommunications, retail, healthcare and many other industries already use the system for high-volume phone contact related to telemarketing, collections customer service, fund raising and market research.

Kawasaki and CTC, both part of Japan's Dai-Ichi Kang Yo Bank Group (DKB Group) Japan's third largest bank, are targeting Voicelink to the outbound telemarketing and financial services industries for use in collections, sales, customer services and other innovative communications programs.

"Beyond the dramatic productivity and payback of Voicelink, we believe it is our commitment to customers that makes us successful in the marketplace," added Darland. "We know Kawasaki and C. Itoh are dedicated to providing the same quality of service that will lead to more exciting ventures ahead."

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LONGVIEW, WA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Longview Fibre Co. (NYSE:LFB) Thursday declared the first regular quarterly dividend in the company's fiscal year ending Oct. 31, 1991, of 13 cents per share on the outstanding common stock of the corporation payable Jan. 10, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 24, 1990.

After adjusting for the five-for-one stock split in April 1990, this payment compares with 12 cents per share paid in the first quarter of the prior fiscal year; dividends totalling 52 cents per share were paid for the entire prior fiscal year.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The United States Shoe Corp. Thursday reported results of operations for the fiscal third quarter ended Nov. 3.

Consolidated net sales totaled $674,951,000 compared to $646,670,000 in the third quarter of 1989, an increase of 4 percent. Net earnings were $9,230,000, a decrease of 49 percent from $18,233,000 in the like period a year ago. Earnings per share were 20 cents compared to 41 cents in the 1989 third quarter. Earnings for the quarter include a net gain of approximately $5.5 million, or 12 cents per share, which resulted from the termination of a footwear license agreement and the sale of certain related assets, offset slightly by charges related to the sale of a small shoe division.

For the nine months ended Nov. 3, U.S. Shoe had consolidated net sales of $2,013,128,000, up 12 percent from $1,798,860,000 in the first nine months of 1989. Net earnings were $28,515,000 compared to $25,987,000 in the like period last year, an increase of 10 percent. Earnings per share were 63 cents up from 58 cents for the first nine months of 1989.

Each of the company's three major business segments was negatively affected by the economic slowdown in the third quarter. The Women's Apparel Retailing

Group, LensCrafters Optical Retailing Group and Footwear Group all recorded reduced earnings for the quarter compared to the like period last year.

Third quarter sales in the Women's Apparel Retailing Group increased 9 percent compared to the like period in 1989. Comparable store sales were up 5 percent over last year. Operating earnings declined 40 percent vs. the third quarter a year ago.

Casual Corner and Petite Sophisticate registered comparable store sales increases during the quarter, but a sluggish retail sales environment required increased markdowns that resulted in earnings declines. August Max Woman continued to improve, recording a slight profit for the quarter. Ups 'N Downs experienced both sluggish sales and higher levels of markdowns that combined to increase the division's losses compared to last year.

In the LensCrafters Optical Retailing Group, third quarter sales increased 7 percent, but comparable store sales declined 6 percent. Operating earnings decreased by 97 percent. LensCrafters operated 420 optical superstores at the end of the third quarter, compared to 330 at the same time last year.

LensCrafters also has begun a streamlining of its national field management and home office organizations that will increase efficiency and will reduce the division's fixed cost structure. The streamlining, which will be completed during the fourth quarter, will reduce the layers of field management and decrease the home office support staff.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Homestake Mining Company (NYSE:HM) reported Thursday that its subsidiary, Homestake Gold of Australia Limited (HGAL), has announced a rights offering to raise approximately $65 million.

The issue will provide capital to permit further investment in current gold mining and exploration activities, possible future acquisition of gold mining properties or operations and reduction in bank borrowings.

The rights offering, underwritten by J.B. Were & Son, will be offered to shareholders of record on Dec. 21, 1990 and will continue through Jan. 23, 1991.

Homestake currently holds 80 percent of HGAL's outstanding shares and intends to subscribe to that percentage (approximately $52 million) of the offering.

Directors of HGAL said the acquisition and expansion program in Kalgoorlie and

the opening of Fortnum, the company's first wholly-owned gold mine in Australia, have set the framework for future growth and profitability in Australia.

The issue will further strengthen HGAL's capital structure and provide additional financial flexibility to pursue the development and expansion in the company's activities.

Homestake Mining Company is an international gold mining company holding significant interests in the United States, Australia, Canada and Chile.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Chalone Inc. (NASDAQ:CHLN) Thursday reported that Domaines Barons de Rothschild (Lafite) (DBdR) purchased 236,000 shares of common stock from former director William R. Hambrecht for $2,065,000 ($8.75 per share).

The transaction, representing approximately 7 percent of the currently outstanding shares of Chalone, when combined with the convertible debenture and associated warrants received from Chalone in exchange for an approximately 6 percent interest in DBdR, will give DBdR (assuming conversion and exercise) approximately 13 percent ownership in Chalone.

Chalone also announced that the family of W. Philip Woodward, Chalone's president and chief executive officer, acquired 50,000 shares of Chalone common stock, on the open market, during the past two months. This brings Woodward's and his family's ownership to approximately 14 percent.

DBdR, with headquarters in Paris, owns and operates Chateau Rieussec, Chateau Duhart-Milon, Chateau L'Evangile and is the general manager of Chateau Lafite Rothschild. It also has wine making interests in Chile, where it ownes 50 percent of Vina Los Vascos.

Chalone Inc. is a San Francisco-based company that produces, markets and sells premium white and red varietal table wines. Chalone currently owns and operates Chalone Vineyard in Monterey County, Acacia Winery in the Carneros District of Napa County, Carmenet Vineyard in Sonoma County, and in conjunction with its joint-venture partner, Paragon Vineyard Co., owns and operates Edna Valley Vineyard in San Luis Obispo County.

Chalone also announced in May 1990, the acquisition of a 50 percent interest in Canoe Ridge Vineyard in Washington State.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Wells Fargo & Co. (NYSE:WFC) announced Thursday that it intends to redeem all $180 million of its outstanding Market Auction Preferred Stock.

Series I will be redeemed on Jan. 15, 1991; Series II will be redeemed on Jan. 22, 1991; and Series III will be redeemed on Jan. 29, 1991.

The redemption price will be the face amount of the stock plus dividends accrued to the redemption date.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - At the Microsoft Multimedia Developers Conference in San Jose Wednesday, MacroMind Inc., the leading developer of multimedia software, announced two new products: the Windows Player Development Kit and the Windows Player License Pack for both Microsoft Windows 3.0 and Windows with multimedia extensions.

The Development Kit will enable developers to convert MacroMind Director interactive multimedia documents created on the Macintosh for playback under both Microsoft Windows 3.0 and Windows with multimedia extensions. The License Pack will allow users to view interactive MacroMind Director documents under both Windows 3.0 and Windows with multimedia extensions.

In March, 1990, Microsoft announced that they were licensing MacroMind Director's player technology to be built into Windows with multimedia extensions. This will enable non-interactive documents created in MacroMind Director to be played back on PCs running Windows with multimedia extensions.

MacroMind's new products complement Microsoft's offering by providing conversion and playback capabilities for documents which include interactivity and external device control under Windows with multimedia extensions and by also providing support for the broad base of Windows 3.0 users.

By using both MacroMind Director and the Development Kit, developers can create fully interactive productions for the Macintosh and PC, including sales and marketing presentations, technical visualizations, corporate communications materials, commercial multimedia titles and interactive

courseware.

''This announcement is further evidence of MacroMind's commitment to cross-platform multimedia standards,'' said Tim Mott, MacroMind's president and CEO. Now multimedia developers have the ability to leverage their investment in time and data to the full range of Windows viewers.

MacroMind's MacroMedia systems level technology has been licensed by industry leaders such as Microsoft and Fujitsu. MacroMind products are distributed by Ingram-Micro D and Merisel, Inc. to computer resellers. A privately held company, MacroMind is backed by The Cole Gilburne Fund and Kleiner Perkins Caulfield & Byers.

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PALO ALTO, CA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - ALZA Corp. (AMEX:AZA) Thursday announced that a New Animal Drug Application has been filed with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration by Merck & Co. Inc. (NYSE:MRK) for IVOMEC-SR Bolus, a product combining Merck's antiparasitic agent, ivermectin, with ALZA's ruminal bolus technology.

IVOMEC-SR Bolus, the result of a joint development program between Merck and ALZA, is designed to control both internal and external parasites in cattle on pasture for an entire grazing season following a single administration. Merck has a royalty-bearing license from ALZA to market the product worldwide.

ALZA Corp., headquartered in Palo Alto, Calif., is a leading drug delivery systems company focusing on the development, manufacture and marketing of a broad range of proprietary pharmaceutical products. ALZA's therapeutic systems provide a rate-controlled programmed administration of medication for both human and veterinary applications.

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BOISE, ID (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Micron Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: MCRN) announced Thursday that it has listed its common stock on the New York Stock Exchange Inc. (NYSE).

Micron will be trading on the exchange under the symbol MU effective Nov. 30, 1990.

Micron Technology Inc., based in Boise, manufactures and markets DRAMs, SRAMs, VRAMs and other semiconductor components and board-level products. Prior to the NYSE listing, the company's common stock was traded on the over-the-counter market and was quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol MCRN.

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DALLAS (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - BANK ONE, TEXAS Thursday purchased certain assets and assumed all deposits and certain other liabilities of Bank of Arlington as part of BANK ONE's continuing program of statewide expansion.

The bank was closed Thursday afternoon by the Banking Commissioner of Texas, which appointed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) as receiver.

The bank will open its doors at the usual time Friday morning, announced Harvey R. Mitchell, chairman and chief executive officer of BANK ONE, TEXAS.

Bank of Arlington, which is located at 1600 E. Pioneer Parkway in East Arlington, reported total deposits of $59.5 million at Sept. 30, 1990. It is the sixth new BANK ONE branch addition in the Mid-Cities area this year.

Customers of the bank will have no interruption in service and should continue to use their checks and make deposits as before. All deposits were transferred intact to the new BANK ONE office and remain insured to the applicable limit by the FDIC.

Smith said customers of Bank of Arlington should continue to bank at 1600 E. Pioneer and existing BANK ONE customers should continue to conduct business at BANK ONE locations until they receive notice that the Bank of Arlington office has been converted to BANK ONE's operations system.

BANK ONE, TEXAS' previous acquisitions this year include Bright Banc Savings Association, American Bank of Arlington, The Everman National Bank, Trinity National Bank, First State Federal Savings Association, United Bank of Waco, Northside Bank, Capitol City Federal Savings Association and Empire Federal Savings Bank of America.

BANK ONE, TEXAS, NA, with more than 140 offices statewide, reported assets of $13.6 billion and deposits of $11.9 billion at Sept. 30, 1990.

BANC ONE CORPORATION is a bank holding company which operates BANK ONE, TEXAS and 50 other affiliate banking organizations with offices in Indiana, Kentucky

Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin. BANC ONE CORPORATION reported assets of $28.4 billion and primary capital of $3.1 billion at Sept. 30, 1990.

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VANCOUVER, British Columbia (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Bethlehem Resources Corp. (NASDAQ:BTHM) is pleased to announce that agreement in principle for production financing of the Goldstream Mine near Revelstoke has been reached subject to regulatory approval.

The mine is held on a 50-50 basis with Goldnev Resources Inc.

Financing of up to $7 million for the mine's re-activation will be provided by Nippon Mining Co. Ltd. and Sumitomo Corp. In addition to the production re-start capital, Nippon Mining will purchase all copper concentrate production of the mine for 6 years under an agreement that also makes provision for advance payments to reduce the mine's working capital requirements.

Nippon and Sumitomo will have the non-cumulative privilege of converting up to 25 percent of Bethlehem's share of the loan to Bethlehem stock each year at the greater of 70 percent of the average closing price of the shares during the 30-day period prior to notice of conversion and a minimum fixed price of 37 cents.

As operator, Bethlehem will commence rehabilitation work immediately upon formal closing of the transaction, which is planned to take place as soon as possible. Re-activation of the production facility is expected to occur within three or four months after closing of the financing agreement. The first shipment of concentrates should take place two months after re-activation.

The Goldstream Mine currently has reserves of 1.86 million tonnes, grading 4.81 percent copper and 3.06 percent zinc, which will provide mill feed for approximately five years at the planned milling rate of 1100 tonnes per day.

The resumed operation will produce approximately 65,000 tonnes of copper concentrates, containing about 35 million pounds of copper, and 7,000 tonnes of zinc concentrates, containing about 7 million pounds of zinc, per annum.

NOTE: The Vancouver Stock Exchange has not reviewed and does not accept responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of the contents of this news release.

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SALT LAKE CITY (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - First Security Corp. (OTC/NASDAQ:FSCO) and Pacific First Financial Corp., parent of Pacific First Bank, Thursday announced the closing of the sale of Pacific First's Utah operations (formerly the Utah operations of American Savings & Loan).

Governmnet regulators have approved the $3.25 million cash transaction.

Effective Dec. 15, all former American Savings customers in Utah who are Pacific First customers will become First Security customers. The sale involves 40,000 customer accounts with deposits of about $240 million.

First Security currently operates 98 offices in 55 communities throughout Utah. The acquisition will bring the bank's statewide network to 101 offices.

Pacific First acquired American Savings' Utah operations from the Resolution Trust Co. in June 1990 as part of a larger sale that involved Willamette Savings Bank branches in Oregon. The Oregon branches now are part of the Pacific First Bank network.

The agreement for First Security to purchase the Pacific First Utah operations was announced in July.

Pacific First has 153 banking locations in Washington, Oregon, California and Nevada. The bank is a wholly owned subsidiary of Royal Trustco Ltd. of Toronto.

First Security is the largest financial services organization headquartered in the Intermountian West. It is the oldest continuously operating multistate bank holding company in the United States. It operates 188 full-service banking offices in Utah, Idaho, Oregon and Wyoming.

Other subsidiaries include a leasing company, two insurance companies, an investment management firm and a discount brokerage operation.

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TEMPE, AZ (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Arizona Instrument Corp. (NASDAQ:AZIC) Thursday announced that effective Nov. 29, the company's shares will be traded on the regular NASDAQ system.

Previously, AZI was traded on the NASD National Market System (NMS).

AZI President John Hudnall said immediate AZI stock quotations will still be available through the NASD computerized trading system.

He said the most noticeable change to those following the company's stock will be its location in the newspaper. Rather than appearing with NMS listings, it will appear in the regular NASDAQ section, which is typically positioned adjacent to the NMS section in most daily newspapers.

Hudnall said the listing change was made by the NASD based on recent operating losses and in connection with NMS listing requirements.

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NAPA, CALIF (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - ARIEL VINEYARDS Thursday announced the release of PROSPERO, their driest sparkling wine release to date.

When making the announcement, company President Larry Leigon said, ''Even the most skeptical will realize that ARIEL has again reached a new level in the production and taste of nonalcoholic wines.''

PROSPERO is described by ARIEL as extremely sophisticated. National Sales Director Craig Rosser said, ''PROSPERO will be appreciated for the subtle nuances that come from sitting 'en tirage' for six years.''

ARIEL purchased new oak barrels which, according to ARIEL Winemaker Barry Gnekow, ''give PROSPERO a slight cream and nutty nuance and the toasty character of French vanilla.''

PROSPERO is vintage dated 1983 and will be the most expensive retail product ARIEL VINEYARDS has released. ARIEL has announced that there will be only 500 cases of their PROSPERO entry produced at this bottling.

ARIEL VINEYARDS produced the only premium wine without alcohol to have won a gold medal against wines with alcohol.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Catellus Development Corp. (NYSE:CDX)

said Thursday that Judd D. Malkin, chairman of the board of JMB Realty Corp. of Chicago, has been elected to the Catellus board of directors, and that David A. Smith, Catellus vice president, finance, has also been appointed chief financial officer of the company.

The announcements were made by Vernon B. Schwartz, president, chief executive officer and chairman of the board of Catellus.

Malkin is a co-founder of JMB Realty, one of the largest real estate investment, development and management companies in the nation. In partnership with the California Public Employees' Retirement System, JMB Realty owns a 19.9 percent interest in Catellus. Malkin is replacing John Schreiber, executive vice president of JMB Realty, on the Catellus board.

David A. Smith has been vice president, finance, of Catellus since November 1989. Prior to that, he was assistant vice president, finance, of Santa Fe Pacific Corp. in Chicago.

Catellus develops, owns and manages commercial and industrial properties throughout the West, Midwest and Southwest. Its holdings total approximately 2 million acres in 13 states. Its current building portfolio consists of nearly 14 million square feet of industrial, office and retail facilities completed or under construction.

The company is presently being ''spun off'' from Santa Fe Pacific Corp. and is trading on a ''when issued'' basis on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker CDX. Catellus is the largest, publicly owned real estate firm in the nation.

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KELSO, WASH (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Monolite Industries will hold its annual shareholders' meeting at 3:30 p.m. on Nov. 30, 1990, at the Kelso Red Lion Inn, Kelso, Wash.

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SCOTTS VALLEY, CALIF. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Borland International Inc. (NASDAQ:BORL) announced Thursday the election of five new corporate officers.

The company named Douglas R. Antone senior vice president. Also elected vice president were: Hamid W. Mirza, Richard M. Schell, Eugene Wang and Robert W. Warfield.

''These appointments reflect the strength of our organization, the formidable growth of the company and the worldwide success of our key products: Paradox, Quattro Pro and Turbo C++,'' said Philippe Kahn, Borland's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Antone, formerly vice president of North American sales for Borland, was promoted to senior vice president for worldwide sales, a new position. Prior to Borland, he was vice president of sales and marketing for the computer reseller Byte Shops.

Under Antone, sales for North America, Europe and all other international operations will be consolidated for the first time. Country managers of Borland operations around the world will now report to Antone.

Borland also announced that Eugene Wang, formerly general manager of the Languages Business Unit, was promoted to vice president. Wang joined Borland from Gold Hill Computers where he was a founder and vice president of sales and marketing. He holds a bachelor's degree in computer science from University of California, Berkeley, and attended Harvard Business School.

In the research and development area, Mirza, formerly Borland's director of database development, was promoted to vice president, development unit manager database management systems; Schell, formerly director, R&D for languages, is now vice president, development unit manager, programming languages and tools; and Warfield, formerly director of business applications for Borland, was appointed vice president, development manager, spreadsheets and analytical tools.

Borland International Inc. (Scotts Valley) is a leading developer of business software and object-oriented programming languages and tools. Borland offers some of the world's most widely used PC software, including Turbo C++, Turbo Pascal with Objects, Paradox, Quattro Pro and Sidekick.

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WEST CONSHOHOCKEN, PA. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Bioscience Inc. (AMEX:UBS) Thursday announced it has been granted an exclusive license to a patent held by the U.S. government for the use of trimetrexate to treat Pneumocystis carinii pneumonia and toxoplasmosis, infections that are

life-threatening in patients with AIDS.

Pneumocystis carinii pneumonia is the most common opportunistic infection in AIDS patients. At least one episode of this form of pneumonia is estimated to occur in 60 percent to 70 percent of patients.

Philip Schein, M.D., chairman and president of U.S. Bioscience, said that there is an important medical need for new therapies for patients with AIDS who fail current treatments. Trimetrexate represents a potentially valuable addition to the array of agents used in the management of AIDS and a new focus of product development for the company.

In 1991 U.S. Bioscience plans to file a New Drug Application with the U.S. Food & Drug Administration for the treatment of refractory and recurrent Pneumocystis carinii pneumonia in AIDS patients.

Trimetrexate has been under development as an anticancer agent for several years. Laboratory studies have subsequently shown that the drug is a potent inhibitor of an enzyme found in the Pneumocystis protozoan and that it can readily penetrate the organism. Leucovorin can be used to selectively reduce the side effects of trimetrexate, which are largely in the form of myelosuppression without reversal of the antipneumocystis effect, since the organism does not possess the cellular uptake for this rescue agent.

The initial demonstrations of trimetrexate's clinical efficacy for Pneumocystis were reported in 1987 by Dr. Carmen Allegra and coworkers at the National Institutes of Health (New England Journal of Medicine 317:978). More than 650 patients have since been treated with the drug under an NIH AIDS Drug Development Program Treatment IND for patients intolerant to first-line therapy or patients with refractory and resistant infection.

U.S. Bioscience is a pharmeceutical company specializing in the development and commercialization of drugs to increase the survival and productivity of patients with cancer and allied diseases. The company's portfolio includes an array of compounds, some of which are in late stages of development - one in Phase-II clinical trials, two in Phase-III clinical trials, and another with a NDA pending with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - On the heels of a successful opening of its initial office in London, Brobeck Hale and Dorr International, the first joint venture partnership in the United States of two major independent law firms Thursday announced the opening of its office in New York.

Formed in July of this year to provide legal services to businesses and financial institutions in the United States and Europe, the firm draws upon the high technology, emerging companies and venture capital expertise of California-based Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison and Boston-based Hale and Dorr.

According to a recent Merrill Lynch survey, the two firms ranked 2nd and 3rd among U.S. law firms during the last five years in the completion of initial public offerings for high technology companies.

Richard Plumridge, a former partner of Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison, has been appointed managing partner of Brobeck Hale and Dorr International in New York. The practice offers corporate expertise to public and private businesses, with particular emphasis in the computer, semiconductor, medical, telecommunications and biotechnology industries.

Brobeck Hale and Dorr International was formed on July 18, 1990. The joint venture partnership is the first time major U.S. law firms have formed a separate firm, owned and staffed by the founding firms. Initially, the New York office of Brobeck Hale and Dorr International is staffed with partners and associates from Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison and Hale and Dorr.

Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison, founded under its current name in 1925, has approximately 400 lawyers and offices in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Palo Alto San Diego and Newport Beach, Calif.

Hale and Dorr, with more than 300 attorneys, is headquartered in Boston, with additional offices in Manchester, New Hampshire and Washington, D.C., and began practicing under its current name in 1918.

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DENVER (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - U.S. Gold Corp. (NASDAQ:USGL) announced Thursday its senior secured lender has agreed in principle to the proposed Homestake Mining Co. of California-U.S. Gold joint venture at Tonkin Springs, subject to execution of definitive agreements and other conditions.

The proposed joint venture will give Homestake a 51 percent ownership interest in Tonkin Springs as well as operatorship with certain commitments and responsibilities for initial funding. U.S. Gold will retain a 49 percent interest.

The proposed transaction requires Homestake to provide limited cash to be used

to settle amounts owed by U.S. Gold to creditors. If settlement offers are accepted by creditors, the proposed joint venture can be finalized.

''This proposed transaction is a major step towards resolving our near term liquidity crisis,'' said William W. Reid, president of U.S. Gold. ''In addition, the project will benefit from extensive exploration of our excellent land position at Tonkin Springs as well as a program to continue development of our important biotechnology. We look forward to working with such a quality partner as Homestake Mining.''

Homestate also will be granted, subject to approval by the shareholders of U.S. Gold, two options whereby Homestake could increase its ownership interest in Tonkin Springs to 100 percent by payments to U.S. Gold totaling $20 million plus granting to the company a 2 percent Net Smelter Return royalty interest.

U.S. Gold is a Denver-based gold mining company which owns the Tonkin Springs gold mine in Nevada and holds gold properties in other western states. The company is listed on the NASDAQ National Market.

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LAUREL, MS (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Sanderson Farms Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SAFM) Thursday reported results for its fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Net sales for the year were $175,837,000, compared with $184,267,000 in fiscal 1989. Net income was $9,127,000, or $1.01 per share, compared with $15,261,000, or $1.68 per share, in the previous year.

For the fourth quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, net sales totaled $44,469,000, compared with net sales of $46,006,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Net income was $2,287,000, or 26 cents per share, compared with $3,277,000, or 36 cents per share, in the 1989 period.

Joe F. Sanderson Jr., president and chief executive officer of Sanderson Farms commented: ''Throughout the year, our sales and profit comparisons were affected by lower selling prices for poultry products. As measured by a simple average of the daily Georgia dock price, market prices for poultry were approximately 10 percent lower in fiscal 1990 than in fiscal 1989. The decline in selling prices was partially offset by lower feed costs and gains in prepared food sales.''

Sanderson Farms Inc. is engaged in the production, processing, marketing and distribution of fresh and frozen chicken and other prepared food items.

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OAKLAND, CALIF. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream Inc. (OTC:DRYR) Thursday announced that it will pay a cash dividend of 17 cents per common share on Dec. 20, 1990, according to T. Gary Rogers, chairman.

The record date for the dividend is Dec. 10, 1990.

The company's board of directors also announced that it intends to declare regular quarterly dividends of 5 cents per share commencing in the first quarter of 1991.

Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream Inc. manufactures and distributes a line of premium quality ice creams and other premium dairy-based products made only from the finest ingredients available.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Telecommunications Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ATEL)(ATC) Thursday announced that they have been granted approval by the South Carolina Public Service Commission to provide intrastate long distance telecommunications services to South Carolina residents and businesses.

The move expands the regional long distance company's territory to eight Sunbelt states, from the Carolinas through Texas.

''The addition of South Carolina to our service area marks ATC's commitment to internal growth and market expansion,'' said Stephen E. Raville, ATC president and chief executive officer. ''We currently have several large customers based in the Carolinas. This move will enable us to increase the number of enhanced services we can offer both the business and residential communities in South Carolina,'' Raville said.

Initially, ATC Long Distance will offer 1+ dialing service, outbound WATS, calling card and international calling, adding an inbound 800 service, multi-location calling plan, residential service and ATC's flat-rate American Business Plan in early December 1990.

ATC Long Distance serves more than 300,000 business and residential customers

in eight southern states. Atlanta-based ATC operates a nationwide digital fiber optic network providing a full range of telecommunications services including 1+ dialing, WATS, inbound 800 services, international calling, video teleconferencing, operator services, calling card and private channel service capable of voice, video and data transmission.

ATC also offers voice mail and voice messaging services through ATC MessageCentre. The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ATEL. For more information on ATC Long Distance service, call 1-800/330-2255.

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PARIS (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton (NASDAQ: LVMHY), the Paris-based luxury products group, Thursday announced that it had completed the placement of FF 5 billion in Instantly Repackaged Perpetual Subordinated Floating Rate Notes (Titres Subordonns Dure Indtermine, or TSDIs) with its major European bankers.

This facility, arranged by Credit Lyonnais and JP Morgan, includes the issue of 15-year zero coupon bonds by the Kingdom of Denmark.

Through this transaction, LVMH has refinanced, under optimal long-term conditions, the June increase of its shareholding interest in Guinness plc to 24%. The refinancing will contribute FF 4 billion in quasi-equity to the Group's balance sheet and will also strengthen its financial position. Following this issue, the Group's equity and quasi-equity should amount to 54 percent of balance sheet total.

LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton is one of the world's largest companies specializing in luxury products. Its prestige brands include Dom Perignon, Moet & Chandon, and Veuve Clicquot champagnes; Hennessy and Hine cognacs; Louis Vuitton luggage, leather goods and accessories; Givenchy Couture; and Christian Dior, Christian Lacroix, Givenchy, and Roc perfumes and cosmetics.

LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton ordinary shares, each equal to 5 US ADRs, trade on the Paris Stock Exchange, and may be accessed on the Reuter Equities 2000 service under LVMH.PA and on Quotron under LVMHF.EU.

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Winners Circle Inc. (NASDAQ:WNRS), which does business as High Five Sportswear, Thursday announced its entrance into definitive agreements to form a new custom design and garment manufacturing entity that will operate in the corporate and promotional marketplace.

Winners Circle has acquired the design, marketing and sales services of Ian C. Bell and Ugo Capasso, two individuals with extensive backgrounds in the garment and promotional industries.

The new venture with Bell and Capasso will now permit Winners Circle to enhance its capability to provide customers with an entire line of clothing that is custom designed for their specific purposes. Thus, Winners will now be able to address the increasingly specialized needs of its customers by providing them with one or more garments designed to accommodate the specific requirements of their promotional and advertising programs.

Bell and Capasso, formerly competitors of Winners Circle, previously conducted a custom design and sales business for the corporate and promotional industry under the name ''U&I Designs,'' which will continue to be used by the new venture.

Bell and Capasso have successfully marketed their custom designed products to such well known firms as Pirelli Armstrong Tire Co., Mitsubishi Electronics, the Sands Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, Caesars World Merchandising and the Calgary Flames hockey organization.

Winners Circle's core business involves the design, manufacture and sale of garments, including jackets, sweatshirts, sweatpants and T-shirts that carry the logo, slogans or other promotional messages of customers, such as Paramount Home Video, the Disney Cos., Wells Fargo Bank, Motown Records, the Los Angeles Lakers, General Rent A Car, Warner Bros., BASF Corp. and a variety of ski companies, who use the company's products to enhance their images, sell their products and increase employee performance and morale.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - AM International Inc. Thursday announced it has entered into an amended Revolving Credit Agreement with its current nine-member banking group, led by The First National Bank of Chicago.

The amended agreement provides a credit facility of $50 million and is secured by certain domestic assets of the company.

AM said that with the completion of the amendment, the outstanding borrowings under the agreement will be reclassified from short-term to long-term debt on the company's balance sheet.

Company Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Merle H. Banta said, ''We are pleased with the efforts of the nine participatnts in our lending group and their concurrence in this amended agreement. The extended negotiations of the amendment process caused apprehension among customers, vendors, employees and shareholders, but is indicative of the serious problems facing the U.S. banking industry. This is a difficult period for lenders. We are pleased with their continuing support.

''We anticipate improved profitability and cash flow in fiscal 1991. At the present time, our domestic short-term investments are in excess of the outstanding working capital borrowings under this agreement. The funds available under the working capital credit line will be used to finance internal growth and seasonal needs,'' he said.

AM International, with world headquarters in Chicago, sells and services a wide range of design, display, reproduction and finishing products and supplies to the worldwide graphics industry.

The company conducts its business through three divisions, 17 subsidiaries and a dealer organization located in over 100 countries. AM International's annual revenues are about $900 million.

AM International's common and preferred shares are traded on the New York, Pacific and Midwest Stock Exchanges under the ticker symbol ''AM.'' The company's warrants are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol ''AML.WS.''

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BERKELEY, CALIF. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - General Parametrics Corp. (NASDAQ:GPAR), Thursday announced its sales, profits and dividends for its fourth quarter ended Oct. 31.

Fourth quarter sales were $4,142,000 with net income of $458,000, or 6 cents per share. In the fourth quarter of the prior year, sales were $6,332,000 and net income was $1,051,000, or 13 cents per share.

Sales for the year ended Oct. 31, 1990 were $14,148,000, compared to $24,209,000 for the comparable period one year earlier. Fiscal year 1990 net

income was $467,000, or 6 cents per share, compared to fiscal year 1989 net income of $3,027,000, or 38 cents per share.

The company's cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments were $19,735,000, or $2.49 per share, on Oct. 31, 1990 compared to $19,657,000, or $2.45 per share, on Oct. 31, 1989. The increase occurred even though the company paid three shareholder dividends, of 6 cents per share each, amounting to $1,417,000 during this period.

The company also announced that, based on the level of sales and earnings, its board of directors has declared a fourth quarter cash dividend of 6 cents per share, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 7, payable Dec. 21.

During the fourth quarter, the company introduced SpectraStar 400, a new series of color printers. The SpectraStar 400 color printer produces impressive color hardcopy and overhead transparencies at 300 dot-per-inch resolution.

SpectraStar creates brilliant color output and offers users a wide range of options and features that allow them to add capabilities as their needs grow. Limited deliveries of Models 410 and 420 began in the fourth quarter. The company plans to begin shipping its Postscript compatible Model 430 in the first quarter of fiscal 1991. Additional new printer models are expected to be introduced later in fiscal 1991.

General Parametrics, founded in 1981, is a leading producer of desktop presentation hardware and software products for the corporate and governmental workplace. Its complete line of desktop presentation products work with both the IBM and Apple Macintosh systems.

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WOODCLIFF LAKE, N.J. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - BMW's 1991 525i sports sedan, equipped with a new 24-valve engine and improved automatic and manual transmission choices, debuts Thursday at a press conference at The Pasadena Hilton in Pasadena, Calif. hosted by Karl Gerlinger, president and chief executive officer of BMW of North America Inc.

''The 525i is our best-selling model and we've enhanced the 1991 version with a powerful new drive train and refinements throughout,'' said Gerlinger. ''This automobile represents an exciting and intelligent choice for buyers in the sports sedan segment.''

BMW's 525i is the most economical 5-Series model, in a line that includes the

more luxurious and high-powered 535i and an ultra-high-performance model, the M5.

The new 2.5-liter, in-line six-cylinder engine is virtually maintenance free, and delivers 21 more horsepower than the 1990 525i with a slight improvement in fuel efficiency.

The new engine's mechanical layout (six cylinders in-line) and displacement (2.5 liters) are the only elements that haven't changed for 1991. Major engine refinements include the addition of dual overhead camshafts, four-valves-per-cylinder, and hydraulic valve lifters.

Compared to its predecessor, an engine that developed 168 horsepower, the 1991 version delivers 189 horsepower. The torque rating has been increased by 10 percent.

Four-valve-per-cylinder engines are not new at BMW; the company's experience with them goes back almost 25 years, primarily in the realm of motorsports and limited production, high-performance vehicles. The 525i engine, however, is BMW's first six-cylinder engine with four-valves-per-cylinder that is designed for volume production.

Another key feature of the new 525i engine is the unique thermoplastic intake manifold. Cast of fiberglass-reinforced polyamide, this advanced new component has numerous advantages, including improving the flow of the engine's fuel-air mixture, lighter weight than a comparable aluminum manifold, less energy consumption in its production and a fully recyclable design.

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ZAANDAM, THE NETHERLANDS (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Koninklijke Ahold nv, one of Europe's largest food retailers and one of the top ten supermarket operators in the US, today reported improved results for the fiscal third quarter (12 weeks) and nine months (40 weeks) ended October 7, 1990.

Net earnings for the 12-week period ended October 7, 1990, amounted to Dfl 56.7 million (1989: Dfl 46.8 million), a 21.2 percent rise as compared to the corresponding period of 1989. This increase is attributable to continued growth in operating results and to lower net interest expense. Net earnings were reduced by about Dfl 5 million as a result of the lower exchange rate of the dollar (on average Dfl 1.79 compared to Dfl 2.17).

Sales to third parties in The Netherlands amounted to Dfl 2,149.7 million or a 5.7 percent rise. Excluding the sales of the AC Restaurants

which were sold in the fourth quarter of 1989, sales growth in The Netherlands amounted to 7.5 percent. Sales in the United States totaled $1,026.2 million, representing a 9.3 percent rise.

Consolidated sales in guilders amounted to Dfl 3,983.8 million, almost equal to their 1989 level. The lower exchange rate of the dollar in this quarter reduced the increase in consolidated sales in guilders by 7.5 percent.

In The Netherlands, Albert Heijn once again managed to strengthen its market position. In the United States, BI-LO, First National Supermarkets and Giant Food Stores realized significant sales increases.

Ahold's shares trade on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange and may be accessed on the Reuters Equities 2000 service under the symbol AHLN.AS and on Quotron under the symbol AHOLN.EU. They also trade in ADR form in the US (symbol 3KAHLY on the electronic OTC Bulletin Board).

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CHICAGO (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - AM International Inc. Thursday reported improved operating results in the fiscal 1991 first quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990.

For the first three months of fiscal 1991, revenues were up 11.4 percent to $214.7 million vs. $192.8 million for the prior year period. Operating income was $7.6 million during the first quarter of fiscal 1991 compared to $7.9 million last year, which included $10.0 million of one-time patent licensing income. Net income to common shareholders in the quarter was breakeven vs. $1.8 million, or four cents per share, last year, including the patent licensing income.

Company Chairman, President, and CEO Merle H. Banta said, "We are pleased with the improved performance in the first quarter. Operating income was ahead of last year by $9.7 million, excluding the one-time patent licensing payment. Despite the recessionary conditions which are prevailing in certain segments of the graphics industry, we expect improved profitability and cash flow in fiscal 1991," Banta said.

"Our backlog and orders remain strong," he added. "The backlog is up 27 percent from the first quarter of last year and orders are running 11 percent higher than a year ago. Although economic conditions are not encouraging, we remain cautiously optimistic that we will meet our fiscal 1991 goals."

AM International, with world headquarters in Chicago, sells and services a wide range of design, display, reproduction, and finishing products and supplies to the worldwide graphics industry.

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AM International's common and preferred shares are traded on the New York, Pacific and Midwest Stock Exchanges under the ticker symbol "AM." The company's warrants are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "AML.WS."

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NASHUA, N.H. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Nashua Corp. (NYSE:NSH) Thursday announced that it expects earnings per share for the fourth quarter of 1990 to be below analysts' current expectations, but above the $.53 per share from continuing operations reported in the comparable 1989 period, primarily due to the performance of its Computer Products Group.

Nashua stated that lower-than-anticipated volume for small oxide discs has caused the company to reduce its earnings expectation for the quarter.

Nashua Corp. provides a diverse mix of products and services which includes coated paper products, computer products, office supplies and photofinishing services.

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JACKSONVILLE, FLA. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Koger Properties Inc. (NYSE:KOG) said Thursday that the company's board of directors has authorized open market purchases of up to one million of its common shares to be made available to its previously announced Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP).

The company said purchases of shares for the ESOP will be made in accordance with exchange rules and securities laws.

The company said it currently intends that shares for the ESOP will be acquired in the open market, depending on market prices and available funding.

Koger Properties Inc. develops, owns, and manages 36 office parks, called Koger Centers, in 23 cities throughout the Southeast and Southwest.

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RIVERSIDE, CA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Fleetwood Enterprises Inc. Thursday announced lower sales and earnings for the second quarter and first half which ended Oct. 28, 1990.

Fleetwood, the nation's leading producer of recreational vehicles and manufactured housing, reported that net income declined 50 percent to $6,612,000, or 30 cents per share, compared with $13,177,000, or 57 cents a share, in the comparable quarter last year.

Net earnings for the first six months of fiscal 1991 fell 40 percent to $17,396,000, or 78 cents per share, down from $28,797,000, or $1.25 per share, in last year's first half.

The earnings decline in the second quarter was largely attributed to lower recreational vehicle sales caused by the weakening economy and the uncertainty surrounding the Middle East situation. Earnings were also impacted by narrower RV profit margins caused by competitive market conditions and a shift in sales mix to lower-priced products.

Revenues for the quarter were down 7 percent to $349.4 million compared with $375.6 million a year ago. An all-time record sales performance by the company's manufactured housing group was more than offset by the decline in recreational vehicle sales. For the first six months, total revenues of $738.7 million were off 4 percent from last year's $770.4 million.

Recreational vehicle revenues in the second quarter were $189.4 million, down 17 percent from $228.2 million recorded last year.
Motor home sales slipped 23 percent to $119.9 million while travel trailers fell 19 percent to $59.3 million.

Sales for the folding trailer division, acquired in December 1989, were $10.2 million. RV sales for the first six months of this year were $425.5 million, down 11 percent from $479.7 million in the first two quarters of the prior year. Current-year revenues included $18.8 million in sales from the folding trailer division.

On a more positive note, Fleetwood's manufactured housing group posted sales of $151.2 million in the second quarter, the highest quarterly sales in the

company's history and 11 percent above the $136.6 million recorded last year.

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LOUISVILLE, KY. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Steel Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:STTX) Thursday announced that the board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 200,000 shares of the company's common stock at prices prevailing from time to time in the over-the-counter market.

As an intermediate steel processor, Steel Technologies processes flat rolled steel to specified thickness, width, temper and finish requirements for automotive, appliance, communications, electrical, machinery and office equipment industries, among others. The company's common stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol STTX.

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WEST PALM BEACH, FL (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The Flagler Bank Corp. (NASDAQ: FLGL), parent of Flagler National Bank announced Thursday the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend to both Class A and Class B stockholders.

Class A shareholders will receive a cash dividend of 7.7 cents per share and Class B shareholders will receive seven cents per share. The dividends are payable on Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 10, 1990.

In addition, a five percent stock dividend has been declared for holders of both Class A and Class B stock, payable on Dec. 31 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 11.

Commenting on the board's action, President Thomas E. Rossin stated: "I am pleased to report that Flagler National Bank has now consistently paid cash dividends equal to or more than the previous period for the past 12 consecutive years. This is a record of which we are quite proud."

Flagler National Bank is the largest independent bank in Palm Beach County with 15 banking centers throughout the county.

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MINNEAPOLIS, MN (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Tricord Systems Inc. Thursday announced it has secured over $8 million in venture capital that will be used to help the company extend its position as a leader in the network computing market.

The recent financing brings the total equity investment in Tricord to $17 million. Participants in the latest round of financing included new and existing Tricord investors. Among the investors are IAI Venture Capital of Minneapolis; St. Paul Venture Capital of St. Paul, Minn.; Vanguard Associates of Palo Alto, Calif.; Centennial Funds of Denver, Colo.; Acorn Ventures of Houston, Texas; and Needham & Co. of New York.

Analysts such as Forrester Research of Cambridge, Mass., have praised Tricord's open architecture, scalability, and superior performance, while publications such as PC Week have rated Tricord's PowerFrame as one of the price/performance leaders in the rapidly emerging super-server market.

Tricord distributes its network computers through domestic and international Value Added Resellers and Systems Integrators. PowerFrame servers have been shipping since April, 1990 through its reseller channel to organizations throughout the world. Customers include corporations which are consolidating multiple network servers and those that are moving mainframe applications to PC-based systems.

Tricord's servers combine low-cost, off-the-shelf microcomputer technology, and mainframe performance to deliver true distributed computing. The PowerFrame family of products is based on a client/server architecture that allows customers to take full advantage of the latest generation of networked applications.

Tricord Systems Inc. is a privately held company headquartered in Minneapolis, Minn. It was founded to design, manufacture, and market a new generation of network servers, based on industry standards, to meet the increasing performance and reliability requirements of LANs and client/server computing.

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SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Creative Learning Products Inc. (NASDAQ: CLPI) Thursday announced that the company is in the process of developing a Home Sales Network of Educational Distributors to market its exclusively created product to the home consumer.

Through this marketing technique, Educational Distributors are given the opportunity to create their own organization by recruiting additional distributors on their own.

"The use of multi-level marketing by the company represents an effort to increase consumer awareness and utilize the 15,000 and growing, Fun Club Members nationwide," said Peter Jegou, chairman and chief executive officer of Creative Learning Products Inc. The Fun Club is a nationwide club that the company established in 1984.

Membership is free and children receive a Certificate of Accomplishment, a quarterly newsletter, and new product information by mailing in a response card that is packaged with every product.

Through regional advertising, trade show participation, and direct mail the company plans to expand the Home Sales Network nationwide in one year. "We believe this will open an entire new area of distribution for our products," addded Jegou; "The respone has just been tremendous." The company currently has 100 Educational distributors located throughout the tri-state area.

The company has designed an original line of Multi Party Packs that will be available exclusively through this Home Sales Network. The Multi Party Packs consist of an assortment of product packaged together and offered at a promotionally reduced price.

For more information on becoming an Executive Distributor please call Nancy Copeland at 1-800-262-2437.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MASS. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The Neiman Marcus Group Inc. (NYSE:NMG) Thursday reported higher revenues and lower net earnings for the first quarter of its 1991 fiscal year.

For the 13 weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990, revenues were $426.1 million, up 6.8 percent from $399.1 million in the year earlier period. Operating earnings declined 4.0 percent to $30.7 million from $32.0 million the previous year.

The company had net earnings of $10.3 million in the current year's quarter, down 13.6 percent from $11.9 million last year. After preferred dividends, net earnings applicable to common shareholders were 13 cents a share in the current year quarter, compared to 18 cents in the previous year.

Richard A. Smith, chairman and chief executive officer said, ''Operating results in the current year's quarter were reduced by the economic softness which is affecting retail sales. Comparable revenues in the quarter were virtually unchanged from a year ago, a result that was well below our expectations.''

The company reported that its Neiman Marcus division, which accounted for nearly 70 percent of total revenues, had higher revenues and operating earnings in the current year quarter. ''Despite the sluggish retail environment, Neiman Marcus stores were able to record a slight increase in operating earnings compared to a year earlier.

''Our mail order businesses also had higher operating earnings in the current year quarter due to improved performance of Horchow Mail Order, which had a small profit this year compared to an operating loss in last year's quarter,'' Smith said.

''Bergdorf Goodman had higher revenues in the quarter, although the gain was less than anticipated, and operating earnings declined significantly from a year ago. Gross margins were reduced by increased markdown activity required to maintain inventory currency standards,'' Smith reported.

Net interest charges in the current quarter were $9.1 million, compared to $8.2 million a year ago. ''Higher interest charges will reduce net earnings throughout the year,'' Smith said, ''reflecting higher borrowings to support our continuing store remodeling and new store expansion programs.''

The Neiman Marcus Group is a leading specialty retailer which includes Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman and Contempo Casuals.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Inc. (NYSE:AR) Thursday announced a three-cent decrease in the domestic spot selling price of electrolytic copper.

Its new price, which is effective immediately, is $1.17 per pound for cathodes on a delivered basis.

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ZURICH, SWITZERLAND (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Group Inc. (NYSE:AIG) Thursday listed its common stock on the Stock Exchanges of Zurich, Basle and Geneva.

AIG earlier this year listed on the Paris Bourse, and has been listed on the London Stock Exchange since 1988. Its other listings are on the New York Stock Exchange and the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

In a presentation to the Zurich financial community today held in conjunction with the listing, M.R. Greenberg, AIG chairman and chief executive officer, noted, ''We view the listing of AIG shares in Switzerland as a way, not only to broaden the international shareholding base of AIG, but equally importantly to strengthen our ties with the financial community in Europe.

''As the leading U.S.-based international insurance organization, we intend to build on our very solid base and long experience in Europe to establish an even more significant business presence here in the decade ahead.''

AIG is represented in Switzerland by three wholly-owned entities: UeberseeBank AG, a private banking institution founded in 1965 and offering portfolio management and investment advisory services to an international clientele; Ticino Societa d'Assicurazioni sulla Vita, founded in 1982 and the only Swiss life insurance company headquartered in the Italian region of Switzerland; and a branch of American Home Assurance Co., which conducts general property-casualty insurance operations.

AIG is the leading U.S.-based international insurance organization and the largest underwriter of commercial and industrial insurance in the United States. Its member companies write property, casualty, marine, life and financial services insurance in more than 130 countries and jurisdictions, and are also engaged in a range of financial services businesses.

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BURLINGTON, MA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - M/A-COM Inc. (NYSE: MAI) Thursday announced that it has acquired Light Control Systems Inc. (LCS), headquartered in Tyngsboro, Mass.

Light Control Systems is an industry leader in the manufacture of fiber optic

cable assemblies, fiber optic connectors, attenuators and ancillary passive components. Among its customers are several major corporations in both the data communications and telecommunications industries.

Light Control System's President and Founder Janet Tamulevich will join M/A-COM as Vice President and General Manager of the LCS business as part of M/A-COM's Electro/Mechanical Components Group.

In commenting on the acquisition, M/A-COM Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Thomas A. Vanderslice said, "Light Control Systems represents a solid enhancement to our commercial business within M/A-COM's Electro/Mechanical Components Group and will add to our earnings growth. We intend to fully support LCS's business and the company's high level of service to its customers."

M/A-COM Inc. is a leading producer of radio frequency, microwave and millimeter wave semiconductors, components and subsystems for applications in telecommunications, radar, navigation and defense systems including missile guidance and electronic warfare.

M/A-COM also supplies equipment used in electronic surveillance. The company's products are used primarily in defense electronics systems, but also have numerous commercial applications.

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GREAT NECK, N.Y. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Leon Machiz, chairman and CEO of Avnet Inc. (NYSE:AVT), announced that David Shaw was elected to Avnet's board of directors at the company's annual meeting of shareholders held Wednesday.

Shaw is president of Avnet's Time Electronics Division and a senior vice president of the corporation.

Shaw joined Time Electronics sales in 1953. In 1957, with Leon Machiz, he was co-founder and subsequently president of Electro Air Corp., a branch of Time which concentrates on the mil.-aero aircraft and airline industry. He became a vice president of Avnet Inc. at the time of its acquisition of Time Electronics in 1968 and a senior vice president of Avnet in 1989. He was executive vice president of the Time Division since 1980 and its president since 1989.

Machiz also announced that the eleven nominees standing for reelection to Avnet's board of directors were reelected.

At the board of directors meeting immediately following Avnet's annual meeting

Anthony DeLuca, corporate vice president Management Information Systems, was elected a senior vice president and chief information officer of Avnet and George Kokkinakis, corporate vice president Human Resources and Industrial Relations, was elected senior vice president Administration of Avnet.

Burton Katz, vice president of Avnet and senior vice president administration of Time Electronics, and Daniel Robbin, vice president of Avnet and senior vice president Sales amd Marketing of Time Electronics, were also elected senior vice presidents of Avnet.

In addition, James Short, vice president of Time Electronics and general manager of Electro Air Corp., and James Smith, executive vice president sales and marketing of Hamilton/Avnet Electronics, were elected vice presidents of Avnet.

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CLEVELAND (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Federal Savings and Loan Association of Cleveland today announced a regular quarterly dividend of 8 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on Dec. 31 to shareholders of record on Dec. 14. The dividend was declared at a monthly meeting of the company's board of directors.

As of Sept. 30, Security Federal had assets of $348 million. The thrift, with nine offices in Greater Cleveland and its surrounding communities, is traded in the NASDAQ/NMS and is quoted under the symbol ''SFSL.''

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APPLETON, WI (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Air Wisconsin Thursday announced that it has ordered eight Dash 8 regional airliners from Boeing Canada, de Havilland Division.

The five 37-passenger Dash 8 Series 100s and three 50-passenger Series 300s are slated for delivery between June and September 1991.

Air Wisconsin, operating as United Express, is one of the largest independent

regional airlines in the United States. The company serves 30 markets in 11 states with its main hub at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport. Regional markets are also served from Washington's Dulles International Airport.

The new Dash 8's will replace the carrier's F-27 aircraft in the Dulles markets. Air Wisconsin currently operates five F-27s in Dulles service.

In announcing the aircraft order, William J. Andres, Air Wisconsin president and chief executive officer, stated that the new Dash 8's will offer ''enhanced customer comfort and convenience, along with improved reliability and operating economics.

Air Wisconsin has operated de Havilland aircraft in the past, including both the Twin Otter and Dash 7.

Air Wisconsin earlier this week announced the signing of a new five year United Express contract with United Airlines. The new pact replaces the carrier's existing agreement which was to expire in June 1991.

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NILES, ILL. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Midwesco Filter Resources, Inc. Thursday announced higher sales for the third quarter ended October 31.

Earnings declined, a result of planned expenses; gross profit margins were within a range consistent for the company.

Net sales for the quarter ended October 31 were $5,502,000, up six percent from the year earlier $5,187,000.

Income from operations was $459,000, down 32 percent from $675,000 in the year earlier quarter. Net income was $310,000, or 11 cents a share, compared to $419,000, or 15 cents a share on a pro forma basis.

Net income for this year's quarter, at $310,000, or 11 cents a share, compares to $522,000, or 27 cents a share on a historic basis. The company reports both historic and pro forma results for the prior fiscal year because it believes pro forma more closely compares with MFRI's present capital structure. There were 2,810,000 shares outstanding in this year's quarter. Historic per share figures are calculated with the 1,950,000 shares outstanding when Midwesco Filter was part of a private company.

For the nine months, net sales rose to $16,755,000, up nine percent from $15,361,000. Income from operations was $1,585,000, down 15 percent from $1,866,000 in the year earlier period.

Net income was $1,057,000, or 38 cents a share. This compares, on a pro forma basis, to $1,157,000, or 41 cents a share.

This year's nine month net income of $1,057,000, or 38 cents a share, compares to net income on a historic basis of $1,480,000, or 76 cents a share, with 1,950,000 shares outstanding.

With locations in Niles, Illinois and Winchester, Virginia, MFRI is a vertically integrated manufacturer and marketer of filter bags, including its proprietary Seamless TubeTM filter bag, as well as related parts, accessories and services. The company's products and services are used primarily by operators of utility and industrial coal-fired boilers, incinerators and cogeneration plants and by producers of metals, cement, chemical and other industrial products.

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CLEVELAND, OH (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Cleveland-Cliffs Inc announced today that a tentative labor agreement was reached late yesterday with the United Steelworkers of America covering the hourly employees of the Empire and Tilden Mines and related facilities in Michigan. The agreement is subject to ratification by the employees who have been on strike since August 1, 1990.

Terms of the contract will be released upon the ratification vote which is expected shortly. The new agreement will expire on August 1, 1993.

Subsidiaries of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc manage six iron ore mines in North America and Australia. The company holds a major iron ore reserve position in the United States and is a substantial iron ore merchant.

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OSHKOSH, WI (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - OshKosh B'Gosh Inc. (NASDAQ: GOSHA) announced plans to lease a sewing facility in Choloma, Honduras, in a move that reflects the company's intensified global strategy as well as changing U.S. labor trends.

This will be the first production venture outside the United States for OshKosh B'Gosh, noted Michael Wachtel, senior vice president of operations for the clothing manufacturer. OshKosh B'Gosh has no plans to close or scale back any of its domestic plants, Wachtel emphasized.

"This move reflects both the company's expanded international vision as well as a tightening labor market in the United States, which has made it increasingly difficult for us to find workers for our sewing plants here," Wachtel explained.

Wachtel pointed to a U.S. Commerce Department "Industrial Outlook 1990" report on the apparel industry, which stated that the industry faces a growing labor shortage because of demographic trends, tighter immigration policies that prevent an influx of additional workers and higher wages offered by other industries that are luring workers away from the apparel industry. "The Honduras facility adds another dimension to our sourcing, which we need to remain competitive," Wachtel said.

OshKosh B'Gosh will make clothing there under the "807" tariff program in which U.S. manufacturers export cut apparel parts to overseas plants for assembly, then re-import them as finished products. Duty is charged only on the value added overseas. The plant will employ between 200 and 300 people. OshKosh B'Gosh is currently interviewing in Honduras for management positions.

The Honduras operation will apply the same level of production technology that is used at the company's U.S. plants and the products made there will be of the same high quality that has come to mean OshKosh B'Gosh in the consumer's mind.

The company has not made a final decision on what will be made at the Honduras plant. The facility is still under construction, and Wachtel estimated that it will take a year before the plant is geared up and producing at capacity. Terms of the lease agreement were not disclosed.

OshKosh B'Gosh Inc., headquartered in Oshkosh, is an internationally recognized manufacturer of children's wear, adult sportswear and workwear. The company employs 6,300 people and operates 17 manufacturing facilities in Wisconsin, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Universal Card Services Thursday announced the grand opening of its world headquarters center in Jacksonville, Fla.

The center's 1,700 customer associates use a wide range of AT&T's business communications systems and services designed to provide fast and accurate customer service to more than 6.8 million card members in the U.S.

At the heart of the center's private Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) are three DEFINITYR Communications Systems Generic 2. From the instant a call is received, the network goes to work ensuring that each customer's request is handled promptly.

All calls are processed through AT&T's Worldwide Intelligent Network. Incoming toll-free customer calls are carried on AT&T MEGACOMR 800 service.

If all lines are busy when a call comes in, a feature called Look-Ahead Interflow (see attached backgrounder) enables the switch to check the status of the other two PBXs using the ''D'' channel of the ISDN Primary Rate Interface (PRI). If--and only if--conditions at another switch are better, the call is transferred.

The information that accompanies incoming calls across AT&T's ISDN network, including Dialed Number Identification Service (DNIS) and Automatic Number Identification (ANI), if available, is transferred along with the call.

The call and accompanying information are passed through the DEFINITY system to an AT&T ISDN Gateway, linking the switch to the center's AT&T System 7000 processors. There, the telephone number is matched against the cardmember database.

The matching customer file is transferred to an associate's screen, along with the call, so the associate can begin handling the customer's request immediately.

When a customer associate needs to return a customer's call, it is carried on AT&T's MEGACOM WATS outbound offering, ensuring quick and reliable service.

Customers calling for account information receive it automatically from one of the center's (number) AT&T CONVERSANT(r) Voice Information Systems. These interactive voice response units automate incoming telephone calls and give customers easy access to transaction processing and information retrieval.

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DALLAS (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Richmond Capital Corp. announced Thursday that it has signed a letter of intent to acquire the stock and assets of Spherical Sound Inc., and all of its subsidiaries and divisions, including Quakeawake Inc.

Spherical Sound Inc. is spearheaded by Ken Caillat, president, a well known record producer/engineer who has worked with major recording acts such as Pink Floyd, Fleetwood Mac, etc. Grammy award winning Caillat developed the three dimensional sound microphone system called Spherical Sound, which has already been used by Michael Jackson and Pink Floyd. The system's technology was patented and is being marketed.

In addition to Spherical Sound, Caillat invented, with David Elliot, the revolutionary earthquake detector called Quakeawake. This detector is patented and has been featured extensively on television news programs and most recently was shown on FNN's high tech segment on Nov. 28.

The unit, which can give up to 30 seconds early warning of an impending earthquake, is being installed by many school districts and households throughout the country. As was shown by NBC's ''The Big One'' there are 39 states within the United States that have major earthquake potential.

There are other products in development which will be announced in the future.

The joint companies' financial officer will be Lee Merriwether, an acknowledged financial consultant who has in the recent past worked for Merrill Lynch, etc.

Consummation of the aquisition is subject to the execution of definitive agreements and the approval of the directors and shareholders of both Richmond Capital Corp. and Spherical Sound Inc.

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John Collins, president

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FORT WORTH, TX (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Union Pacific Resources Co. (UPRC) of Fort Worth, Texas, announced Thursday a new horizontal well in Laramie County, Wyo.

The new well, the No. 1 McGahan 21-5, located 18 miles northeast of Cheyenne, flowed 767 barrels of oil and 326 thousand cubic feet of gas per day (Mcf/d) in a 24-hour test through a 37/64 inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 60 pounds per square inch (psi). The horizontal displacement of the well is 2,479 feet of which 2,099 feet are within the prospective Niobrara zone.

UPRC's first horizontal well, the Antelope 9-11, located two miles northeast of the McGahan 21-5, is currently on pump and averaged 400 barrels of oil and 300 Mcf/d during the past two weeks. Since the initial test on Oct. 10, the cumulative production is more than 17,500 barrels of oil.

Union Pacific Resources Co., one of the largest independent U.S. exploration and production firms, is the oil and gas subsidiary of Union Pacific Corp. of Bethlehem, Pa.

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NASHVILLE, TN (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Jerome S. Tannenbaum, chairman and chief executive officer of REN Corporation - USA (NASDAQ/NMS:RENL), Thursday announced that James W. Egan has been named president, chief operating officer and a director of the company.

Egan was previously executive vice president and chief financial officer of REN.

''Jim Egan was hired by REN because of his extensive operating and financial experience,'' stated Dr. Tannenbaum. ''Prior to joining REN in September, he was president and chairman of Preway Inc., a publicly held company.

''His new responsibilities at REN will include managing the finance and day-to-day operations of the company. This will allow me to concentrate on long-range strategies, liaison with the medical community, government relations and new business development,'' continued Dr. Tannenbaum.

''Since our first dialysis clinic opened in 1986, we have experienced rapid growth and are now the fourth largest provider of dialysis services in the nation. We believe that our dialysis centers are among the finest in the world in terms of patient care, longevity and medical systems. We are confident that Jim Egan can grow and manage our financial and operating systems in the same manner,'' concluded Dr. Tannenbaum.

Before joining REN, Egan served as president and chairman of Preway Inc., a manufacturer and marketer of consumer products. Prior to joining Preway, Egan was vice president-finance, treasurer and a director of General Housewares Corp., a manufacturer of houseware products. His responsibilities at General Housewares included all financial accounting, tax, legal, audit, public reporting and planning activities. Egan is a Certified Public Accountant.

REN Corporation - USA is engaged primarily in providing renal dialysis services to patients suffering from chronic kidney failure. Dialysis services are provided principally at the company's 27 freestanding outpatient REN Centers located in ten states.

The company also provides outpatient dialysis services to patients in their homes and inpatient dialysis services through contracts with 20 hospitals. In addition, the company performs blood, tissue and urine testing services for its REN Centers, as well as for independent physicians and industry, at its three clinical laboratories.

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RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NC (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - In the event that an earthquake occurs -- as a climatologist has predicted -- next week along the New Madrid fault in Missouri, Northern Telecom is prepared to help its telephone company customers restore service.

The company has delivered more than $2 million of telephone switching equipment to a standby location in the region.

The Northern Telecom switching equipment is being stored in Tulsa, Okla., and in the event of an earthquake, would be deployed to areas most directly affected. According to experts, Oklahoma is not expected to experience significant damage if the prediction holds true.

This preparatory effort is particularly important, though, in areas that may incur direct damage, such as Southeast Missouri and Northeast Arkansas.

''Our customer service philosophy is to help the telephone companies when they

need it - and even when they might need it,'' said Les Mesh, vice president for customer service for Northern Telecom's Southwest region. ''Because Northern Telecom has provided equipment and expertise in many disaster recovery efforts, we've learned that it's best to be well-prepared.''

In the event that an earthquake occurs, Northern Telecom will work with its telephone company customers to determine the critical areas where phone service needs to be restored immediately. Emergency services such as police, fire, rescue and medical will take priority.

Northern Telecom has a reputation for responding quickly and effectively in providing emergency telephone service to disaster-stricken regions. In March 1989 the company supplied two DMS-10 switching systems to Valdez, Alaska, doubling the local telephone company's capacity in a matter of days to accommodate the demand for telephone service during cleanup of the oil spill.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 29) BUSINES WIRE - Showboat, Inc. (NYSE:SBO) announced Thursday that its Board of Directors has declared a dividend of $.025 (2 1/2 cents) per share on the company's common stock.

Payment will be made on Jan. 10, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 14 1990.

Showboat, Inc. through its subsidiaries operates resorts in Las Vegas and Atlantic City featuring casino gambling, bowling, and other sports attractions and special events.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The First Iberian Fund Inc. announced Thursday its results of operations for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The Fund reported gross revenues from interest and dividends of U.S. $3,591,386 and net investment income of U.S. $1,033,325 during the year.

Total net assets under management were U.S. $57,329,993 and net asset value per share was $8.80 at Sept. 30, 1990. The Fund's current net asset value per share is U.S. $9.85 and closed at U.S. $7.875 on Nov. 28, 1990 on the American Stock Exchange.

The Fund is fully invested in Spanish and Portuguese securities, with approximately 95 percent of the portfolio invested in Spain and the remainder in Portugal.

The Fund is a diversified, closed-end, management investment company whose investment objective of long-term capital appreciation is pursued through investing the Fund's assets primarily in equity securities traded principally on stock exchanges in Spain and Portugal.

The Fund also invests in securities of companies that derive 50 percent or more of their total revenue from goods produced, sales made or services performed in Spain and Portugal. The Fund's Investment Manager is Iberiancorp Gestion B.V. and its Administrator is Prudential Mutual Fund Management Inc. Contact the administrator at 212/214-3334 for further information.

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STAMFORD, CONN (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - CUC International Inc. (NYSE:CU) Thursday announced third quarter and nine month results for the period ending Oct. 31, 1990.

Earnings per share for the quarter increased 200 percent to 21 cents from 7 cents per share a year ago. Net income was $4.8 million, up from $1.5 million for the prior year's third quarter. Revenues increased 22 percent to $114.5 million from $94 million for the same period last year.

Nine months' net income for the period ended Oct. 31, 1990 increased 109 percent to $11.7 million, or 51 cents per share compared to $5.6 million, or 26 cents per share a year ago, based on 23.1 million and 21.7 million weighted average shares outstanding. Revneues for the nine months increased 23 percent to $329.0 million from $268.6 million a year ago.

The company also reported that it has continued to purchase stock under its stock repurchase plan in the quarter. To date, it has bought back

approximately 450,000 shares. CUC's board of directors authorized the purchase of 2 million shares. The company intends to continue to repurchase shares of its common stock from time to time.

CUC International is a leading membership services comany, presently providing more than 15 million consumers with acess to a variety of services including home shopping, travel, insurance, auto, dining, home maintenance, checking account enhancements and extended warranties.

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MORRISTOWN, NJ (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Tom L. Powers, president of AT&T's Cellular Systems business unit, will retire after 33 years of service, the company announced Thursday.

Jim Brewington, regional vice president of AT&T Network System's Western Region, has been named to succeed Powers. Brewington -- who began his AT&T career in June, 1968, and has held various positions in the areas of account management, product planning, engineering and installation -- will report to Bill Marx, president of AT&T Network Systems.

''Tom Powers has had a long and distinguished career at AT&T,'' said Bill Marx. ''His experience with cellular goes back to 1962, when he was among the group of AT&T Bell Laboratories researchers who built the first experimental cellular system. Under his leadership at AT&T Network Systems, our cellular systems business has grown to a position of market leadership in the United States, and won its first contracts abroad.''

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SHREVEPORT, LA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Arkla Inc. (NYSE:ALG) Thursday announced that its merger with Diversified Energies Inc. (NYSE:DEI) has been completed.

Minnegasco, the 650,000 customer gas distribution company headquartered in Minneapolis, is now a division of Arkla. Other subsidiaries of DEI are now subsidiaries of Arkla.

With the completion of the merger, DEI stockholders automatically became stockholders of Arkla.

As previously announced, Minnegasco and other DEI subsidiaries, E.F. Johnson Inc., EnScan Inc., and Minneapolis Energy Center Inc. will continue to maintain their headquarters in Minneapolis.

Albert Etchelecu, former chairman, president and chief executive officer of DEI, will serve as vice dhairman of the Board of Arkla and continue as chairman and chief executive officer of Minnegasco, with general management responsibility for the radio communication businesses as well.

Mack McLarty will continue as chairman, president and chief executive officer of Arkla Inc. In addition to Etchelecu, Joe E. Chenoweth, Pierson M. Grieve, and Daniel Yankelovich, previously members of the DEI board of directors, have become directors of Arkla Inc.

''This is a major accomplishment for Arkla,'' said McLarty. ''We believe that this merger has produced one of the strongest gas companies in the nation.''

Arkla is now a company with $5 billion in assets, $3 billion in annual revenues and 10,000 employees. The addition of Minnegasco will increase the number of Arkla's distribution customers to approximately 2.6 million, third largest among U.S. natural gas companies.

With the addition of Dyco, DEI's exploration and production company, Arkla will have over 900 billion cubic feet of gas reserves, ranking it among the nation's leaders. Arkla Pipeline Group is ranked sixth among U.S. pipelines.

Arkla is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ALG.

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WORCESTER, MA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Peoples Bancorp of Worcester Inc. (NASDAQ:PEBW), the holding company for Peoples Savings Bank, Thursday voted its regular quarterly dividend of 31 cents per share on the company's common stock.

The dividend is payable on or about Jan. 18, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 2, 1991.

''Despite today's difficult economic environment, Peoples remains one of the few New England banking institutions which has neither reduced nor eliminated its dividend,'' said Woodbury C. Titcomb, president and chief executive officer. ''We are pleased that the strength and soundness of Peoples allows us to maintain our record of providing favorable returns to shareholders.''

Following 15 consecutive quarters of dividend increases, Peoples announced, on Aug. 30, 1990, a new policy of considering dividend increases on an annualized basis. Subject to continued satisfactory financial performance, Peoples expects to maintain its regular quarterly dividend of 31 cents per share, or an annualized rate of $1.24.

Through its principal subsidiary, Peoples Savings Bank, the company provides a wide range of retail and commercial banking services to a broad customer base throughout 28 offices located in central Massachussetts.

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CLEVELAND, OH (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameritrust Corporation announced today that a new division is being formed within its Trust and Investment Management Group to meet the financial needs of high net worth individuals and emerging affluent customers. The Personal Financial Services division combines personal trust with private banking, retirement products and securities services.

Heading this group is David M. Zarnoch, who has been promoted to executive vice president -- Personal Financial Services. He will report to Frank I. Harding, III, president and CEO -- Trust and Investment Management Group.

Historically, these areas have been structured along separate product lines, some reporting through non-trust areas. The new group brings them together with a strong focus on the non-traditional banking needs of this customer group. Specifically, working with Investment Management, it will provide a full array of services including trust administration, portfolio management, financial and retirement planning, tax services, brokerage services for equities and fixed income products, and sophisticated credit services. In addition, working with the Consumer Banking Group, it will continue to offer the full range of traditional bank products. The initial marketing efforts will focus on northern Ohio.

Zarnoch began his career with the company in 1973 as assistant economist, rising to the position of vice president and economist. Subsequently, he moved into the commercial bank holding several positions before being named senior vice president responsible for Merchant Banking. He holds a bachelor of arts degree in economics from Bethany College and a Ph.D. in economics from West Virginia University.

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DOUGLASTON, NY (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - New York Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:NYBC) Thursday announced that it has received approval from the Office of Thrift Supervision to repurchase up to 5 percent, or 156,153 shares, of its common stock over a six month period.

Purchases will be made through open market transactions.

New York Bancorp, with total assets of over one billion dollars, operates six branches and five loan centers in the New York Metropolitan area through its sole subsidiary Home Federal Savings Bank.

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ANAHEIM, CALIF. (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Responding to the cable industry's desire to develop alternative revenue streams, Video Jukebox Network (VJN)(NASDAQ:JUKE) has begun entering into partnerships with cable operators to market audiotext programs to subscribers.

VJN and participating cable opertors will market these targeted interactive 900 telephone programs via unused commercial inventory time on satellite delivered basic caable networks, company President/Chief Executive Officer Andrew H. Orgel told a panel here Thursday at the 1990 Western Cable Show.

Current affiliates of The Jukebox Network will be offered the first opportunity to participate in the new business opportunity. After the initial affiliation phase reserved for Jukebox affiliates, the service will be offered to the industry at large.

The 22 charter affiliates with over 1.2 million subscribers now participating in the program include: TCI Cable, Miami; Wade Cablevision, Philadelphia; Cooke Cablevision, Tuscon, Az.; Metrovision of Prince George's County, Md.; Bardan Cablevision, Detroit; United Cable, Baltimore, and Van Nuys, Calif.; Cox Cable of Middle Georgia; Adelphia Cable, Miami; U.S. Cable of Paterson, N.J.; Gilbert Cable, Newark, N.J.; Bay Cablevision, Richmond, Calif.; Multivision Cable, Lanham, Md.; Paragon Cable, Portland, Ore. and Minneapolis; Warner Cable, Bakersfield, Calif. and Cincinnati; and Comcast Cable, Fullerton, Santa Ana, and San Bernadino, Calif.

''The video/audio retailing business is exploding throughout the United States '' Orgel said. ''It is potentially a far bigger business than that limited only to home shopping services and pay-per-view. The irony is that the cable

operator who carries audiotext advertising and related programming doesn't share in the revenue.

''This is an opportunity to use VJN's significant experience in interactive telephone applications to develop a new revenue stream for the cable industry.''

Video Jukebox Network Inc. is an interactive television company that currently operates 121 units of The Jukebox Network, the leading interactive television network in the country. The Jukebox Network is available in 30 states and reaches over 10 million households.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Automobile Protection Corporation, 1/8NASDAQ: APCOU (Units), APCOW (Warrants), APCO (Common)3/8 Thursday announced record revenues for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Aug. 31 and record fourth quarter net income.

For the three months ended August 31, 1990, revenues reached $5,833,453, an increase of 79 percent from revenues of $3,267,538 in the comparable quarter last year. Net income reached $234,600, or $.04 per share, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 compared to a net loss of $49,798, or $.01 per share, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Revenues for fiscal 1990 increased 50 percent to $16,399,380 from $10,908,006 in the prior fiscal year. Net income rose to $203,651, or $.04 per share, from $189,300, or $.04 per share, in the prior year.

Larry I. Dorfman, president of APCO, commented, ''Reporting our sixth year of record revenues is extremely gratifying, and demonstrates APCO's expanding market share of the extended vehicle service agreement industry. APCO's extended vehicle service agreements and related dealership management programs continue to be in demand as they offer auto dealers a proven means to significantly enhance dealership profits.'' Dorfman continued, ''A higher level of profitability in the fourth quarter reflects the return on the investment the company made over the prior twelve months in facilities, personnel, and the acquisition of subsidiaries to enhance and support our growth. We believe revenue and profitability growth will proceed on record pace over the coming year and beyond, as we continue to add new auto dealerships to our customer base and expand our services to our existing customers throughout the country.''

Automobile Protection Corporation is a leading administrator and marketer of products and services to automobile dealers, distributors and leasing companies which are designed to enhance customer satisfaction, revenues and profitability. APCO's core business is the marketing and management of extended vehicle service agreements. APCO also develops and markets sales management software; provides on-site aftermarket consulting; and offers integrated computer information systems for overall dealership management.

AUTOMOBILE PROTECTION CORPORATION - APCO
Selected Financial Information

	Three Months Ended August 31, 1990	1989
Revenues	$5,833,453	$3,267,538
Income (loss) before income taxes	$ 378,144	$ (66,713)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	143,544	(16,915)
Net income (loss)	$ 234,600	$ (49,798)
Net income (loss) per common share:	$ .045	$ (.01)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period	5,204,000	5,204,000

	For the Year Ended August 31, 1990	1989
Revenues	$16,399,380	$10,908,006
Income before income taxes	328,259	319,237
Provision for income taxes	124,608	129,937
Net income	$ 203,651	$ 189,300
Net income per common share:	$ .04	$ .04
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period	5,204,000	4,871,000

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HARTFORD, Conn. (NOV 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The Advest Group Inc. Thursday declared a dividend of 4 cents per share for payment on Dec. 17, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 10, 1990.

The Advest Group Inc., a diversfied financial services company, is headquartered in Hartford. The company's subsidiaries include Advest Inc., a

leading regional broker dealer; Advest Bank, a state-chartered savings bank; Lyons, Zomback & Ostrowski Inc., financial consultants specializing in the banking industry; Boston Security Counsellors Inc., an investment management company; and Shore & Reich Ltd., a retirement plan administrator.

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BOSTON (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - At its meeting Thursday, the board of BayBanks Inc. gave approval to a plan to consolidate virtually all the company's Massachusetts banking business into one institution under the BayBank name.

The bank will be headquartered in Boston, with major banking offices in Boston Burlington, Dedham, and Springfield. Upon completion of the consolidation in mid-1991, the bank will have assets of approximately $10,000,000,000.

BayBank Harvard Trust Co., headquartered in Cambridge, will be retained to specialize in Private Banking and service to not-for-profit organizations. BayBank First Easthampton, N.A., and BayBank Connecticut, N.A. in Hartford, also will operate separately.

The present board of BayBanks Inc. will also serve as the board of the new bank. In that connection, BayBanks announced today the election of three new directors: Samuel J. Gerson of Newton, chairman and chief executive officer of Filene's Basement; Arlene Arruda McNamee of New Bedford, vice president of Richards & Davis; and Joseph H. Torras of Shelburne, president and chairman of Preco Corp. The new board members currently serve (in the order named) on the boards of BayBank Middlesex, Burlington; BayBank South, Dedham; and BayBank Valley Trust Co., Springfield.

Regional boards throughout the state will continue as an important aspect of the company's traditional governance structure.

It is contemplated that the three principal officers of the parent company, William H. Crozier Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, Richard F. Pollard, vice chairman, and William T. Sandalls Jr., vice chairman, would hold similar positions in the new bank. Giles E. Mosher Jr., currently president of BayBank Middlesex, would be president of the bank. Thomas M. Whitney, president of BayBank Boston, N.A., Trumbull C. Curtiss, president of BayBank South, and Richard A. Stebbins, president of BayBank Valley Trust Co., would be named regional presidents.

In his comments about the plan, Crozier stated, ''This step represents a natural evolution in the long history of BayBanks. The company has gone

through cycles of expansion and consolidation according to the dictates of the times. This latest move, following on the heels of a major growth surge in the 1980s, will build a strong platform for growth in the 1990s and into the 21st Century,'' he added.

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BOSTON (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - The trustees of Bradley Real Estate Trust (AMEX:BTR) Thursday declared a quarterly dividend of $.15 per share payable on December 21 to shareholders of record, Dec. 10, 1990.

This compares with a $.20 dividend in the previous quarter. The reduced dividend reflects the trustees' belief that the retention of capital is the most prudent course to follow given current economic conditions. It will also allow the trust to better address its long-term objectives, including renovations, tenant improvements and other expenditures associated with the leasing and marketing programs at the trust's properties.

The trust's shopping centers are 95 percent leased and continue to experience the benefits of recent renovation programs with several quality new tenants. Additionally, the diversity of tenancies provides the trust with a strong base of quality tenants.

Bradley Real Estate Trust is the oldest continuously qualified REIT in the United States and owns seven shopping centers and mixed used properties in the Midwest and Northeast.

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SAN MATEO, CA (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - For the third consecutive year, the Franklin Group of Funds was ranked the best in mutual fund back-office service by an independent Dalbar survey of broker/dealers nationwide.

The survey of 31 broker/dealers evaluated service support activities such as problem resolution, telephone response, new account set up and processing accuracy.

The 56-member Franklin Group of Funds has over $43 billion in assets and 1.8 million shareholder accounts nationwide. The Franklin Funds are distributed by Franklin Distributors Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of California-based

Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN).

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CONCORD, NH (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - New Hampshire Savings Bank Corp. (NASDAQ:NHSB) announced Thursday that John J. O'Brien Jr. has been elected president and chief operating officer of the company.

Mr. O'Brien serves as president and chief executive officer of New Hampshire Savings Bank, the company's principal affiliate bank.

Lawrence Connell, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, said, ''Mr. O'Brien's election reflects the reorganization of New Hampshire Savings Bank Corp. following the merger of the company's two largest affiliate banks, New Hampshire Savings Bank and New Hampshire Savings Bank South, and anticipates the merger of the company's two remaining affiliate banks, Rockingham County Trust Co. and Seabrook Bank and Trust Co., into this lead bank to form one banking institution.''

Between 1985 and 1989, Mr. O'Brien served as president and chief executive officer of First Federal Bank, FSB of Nashua, N.H. Under his leadership the bank became a competitive and profitable consumer and commercial mortgage lender. In 1988, Mr. O'Brien negotiated the sale of First Federal Bank to New Hampshire Savings Bank Corp. then guided New Hampshire Savings Bank South, as the bank was renamed, through a consolidation process which significantly reduced annual operating expenses.

In 1990, Mr. O'Brien became president and chief executive officer of Randolph Savings Bank of Randolph, Mass. Mr. O'Brien began his banking career with Consumer Savings Bank of Westboro, Mass. in 1970, rising from controller to senior vice president before joining First Federal Bank. A graduate of the College of the Holy Cross, and a certified public accountant, he served as senior accountant with Deloitte and Touche in New York and as an accountant with two manufacturing firms in Massachusetts before entering banking.

Mr. O'Brien, who is 51, lives in Nashua with his wife and two children. The company also announced that Alan G. Jeffery and Frederick B. Kfoury Jr. have been elected to the board of directors. Mr. Jeffery, president of Whitney Screw Corp. of Nashua, N.H., served as vice chairman of New Hampshire Savings Bank South of Nashua until its merger with New Hampshire Savings Bank of Concord in November 1990.

Mr. Kfoury, president, chief executive officer and chief operating officer of Central Paper Products Co. Inc. of Manchester, N.H., joined the board of

directors of New Hampshire Savings Bank in 1989. Both Messrs. Jeffery and Kfoury also serve on the board of directors of New Hampshire Savings Bank, the company's lead bank.

The company announced that its common stock will not be listed for quotation on the NASDAQ system as of Dec. 11, 1990. The company's net worth does not meet the standards required by the National Association of Securities Dealers. Bid and asked quotations on the company's common stock can be obtained from brokers through the National Quotation Bureau's ''Pink Sheets,'' an information service providing quotations for more than 10,000 over-the-counter securities issues.

New Hampshire Savings Bank Corp., headquartered in Concord, N.H., is the fourth largest bank holding company in the state with assets of $1.24 billion and deposits insured by the FDIC to the maximum extent permitted by law, serving individuals, corporations and municipalities throughout central anad southern New Hampshire.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc. (NYSE:FBH), one of the world's largest insurance brokers, announced Thursday the establishment of a joint venture with former Alexander Howden Ltd. Deputy Chairman Bernard Steinart and others to be called ''Leslie & Godwin Insurance Brokers Limited'' (LGIB).

The joint venture will specialize in energy and marine insurance as well as North American property and casualty business.

LGIB will be a subsidiary of Leslie & Godwin Ltd., Hall's wholly-owned subsidiary based in the U.K. LGIB will combine a new team of 36 specialists in energy and North American wholesale insurance together with existing operations of Leslie & Godwin Marine Holdings, North American and Energy Resources. Approximately 180 people will be based in London, with branch operations being set up in Canada and the United States.

According to Donald R. Bell, chairman and chief executive officer of Hall, ''The addition of this group of outstanding insurance professionals further strengthens Frank B. Hall's international network, and expands our ability to take advantage of the oportunities to be created in 1992 by the European Economic Community.''

Antony Pinsent, group chairman of Leslie & Godwin, said, ''The new company is dedicated to building an organization which places business in London and

other world markets and will specifically sieze the opportunities created as Lloyd's moves towards composite syndicates and breaks down the traditional market barriers.''

Steinart will be chairman of LGIB. His team includes three former board directors of Alexander Howden Limited: Brian Ainsworth, Mike McDermott and Ian Waite.

Steinart commented, ''This is a prime opportunity to build a major energy broking company in advance of market changes. The company will benenfit from Leslie & Godwin's excellent reputation and will also take advantage of 1990s innovation, thinking and technology.''

Ian Waite is the principal market figure involved and was formerly chairman of Alexander Howden Marine and Energy. He is joined by Igor Best-Devereux, (previously Deputy chairman of Alexander Howden Marine and Energy), Richard Allerdyce, Mike Beard, Geoff Sloan, Neil Golder (former Managing Directors of Alexander Howden Marine and Energy), and Mark Kettle, (former Managing Director of Gallagher Plumer North America Limited).

The management team has been joined by many of their former colleagues, including Mike Johnson who will work with McDermott in the new Toronto operation.

The new team together with those operations of Leslie & Godwin headed up by Jim Monk, managing director of Energy Resources; Ian Jeffery, chairman of Marine Holdings; and Rob Gladdis, managing director of North America, will create one of the largest and most experienced broking teams in the market.

Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc., founded in 1862, is an international leader in providing insurance and reinsurance brokerage, employee benefits consulting, and risk management services to industry.

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SYDNEY, Australia (NOV. 29) BUSINESS WIRE - In an address to the Securities Institute in Sydney Thursday, Managing Director of Westpac Banking Corp. (NYSE:WBK) Stuart Fowler said that ''Australia is facing a difficult environment in which to restart and reorient the economy, and we will have no other choice than to be more competitive.

''In the context of this difficult economic environment, the banking industry will have a major role to play,'' Fowler said. ''...Not as a mechanism for the distribution of social benefits (but in terms of providing) efficient

distribution of financial services which will be essential if the economy is to be fully responsive to changes in international trade.''

While there are indications that economic recovery for Australia could commence by around the middle of 1991, ''Lasting improvement will, however, depend on significant change in the economy,'' Fowler said.

The Australian economy will need to respond to pressures for greater efficiency and to develop greater export capacity, particularly in the services area.

''Australia's success in pursuing this export-oriented strategy will, of course, depend on our ability to improve our productivity and, thereby, our competitiveness,'' Fowler said.

''In adjusting to the current economic environment, both domestically and internationally, Westpac is undertaking a thorough reassessment of its strategies and operations, including a more rigorous approach to achieving improved efficiency and productivity,'' Fowler said. ''Westpac will be focusing more on our core businesses and related activities where we are capable of achieving a competitive edge.

''It is very pleasing to note that the Capital Markets survey conducted by Australian Business magazine and Ernst and Young has found that Westpac leads performance in the industry by a significant margin,'' Fowler added.

Westpac Banking Corp. is an international financial services group headquartered in Australia, with operations extending offshore to 29 countries. In its home markets of Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and the South West Pacific, Westpac offers a full range of banking and financial services. Specialized services are provided through Westpac offices in Asia, Europe and the United States.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by MacroChem Corp.(TICKER: MCHM)

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$25,872	$69,171
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$31,960	$(247,782)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.05)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$264,340	$492,567
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(168,760)	$(370,351)

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Intek Diversified Corp.(TICKER: IDCC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,929,218	$2,636,486
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(50,775)	$140,648
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.05

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,693,712	$8,100,763
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,878,182	$6,235,951

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Centrevest Corp.(TICKER: CTVS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$662,491	$833,589
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(882,442)	$406,454
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.58)	$0.27

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,353,223	$5,344,130
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,212,541	$3,094,983

The company reports it is in the process of liquidation. It has sold property it owns and is continuing to solicit offers for the sale of remaining properties. Centrevest attributes current market conditions as influences in the sale of the remaining properties, having been negatively affected by the collapse of the real estate and financial markets, fear of an economic downturn, changes in tax laws regarding real estate investments and overbuilding of office space in the immediate area.

The company's executive offices are located at 24681 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 228, Southfield, Michigan 48075, and its telephone number is (313) 352-0380.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Sunrise Bancorp (TICKER: SRSL) on Nov. 8, 1990, engaged the firm of Deloitte & Touche as independent accountants, replacing the firm of KPMG Peat Marwick.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Price Stern Sloan Inc.(TICKER: PSSP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$11,156,000	$14,225,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$992,000	$(8,077,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.26	$(2.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,850,000	3,772,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$40,582,000	$47,428,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,699,000	$10,535,000

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Leadville Mining and Milling Corp.(TICKER: LDMM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,754	$40,169
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(529,676)	$(379,852)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	59,361,161	56,418,411

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,589,058	$1,661,738

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,533,406	$1,636,723

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by GREATBANC Inc.(TICKER: GRBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$149,657	$325,209
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.09	$0.21
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,705,772	1,134,477

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$321,114,317	$316,760,823
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$21,716,166	$24,413,809

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Unity Healthcare Holding Co. Inc.(TICKER: UNTY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Sept. 28, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$3,916,554	$2,161,508
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,619,189)	$50,839
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.24)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,632,396	6,852,500

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$5,633,030	$4,228,466
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,190,737	$1,933,060

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Bank of Philadelphia.(TICKER: FBKP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$32,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$145,000	$153,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.19	$0.20

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$77,963,000	$74,369,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,653,000	$7,262,000

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Western Media Group Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$32,723	$78,885
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(619,345)	$(465,618)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.04)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$2,270,313	$2,737,841
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(2,336,600)	$(951,552)

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sierra Tucson Companies Inc.(TICKER: STSN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,869,238	$5,011,017
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$971,435	$1,087,078
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.14	$0.20
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,943,104	5,425,958

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$35,737,765	$31,571,283
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$24,761,717	$20,682,036

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by TIC International Corp.(TICKER: TICI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,730,220	$1,548,858
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$85,987	$86,426
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.13	$0.12

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,696,562	$2,879,954
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,853,479	$1,788,105

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Locker Group Inc.(TICKER: ALGI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,196,266	$961,222
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$68,552
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$99,601	$71,533
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$0.06

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,862,215	$11,660,588
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,398,272	$5,347,214

-30- 1003

#90333c0017 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Olympus Capital Corp.(TICKER: OLCC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(620,000)	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$66,014	$(1,944,216)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$(0.76)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$502,176,869	$589,933,267
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$21,387,828	$20,645,603

-30- 873

#90333c0018 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Blue Dolphin Energy Co.(TICKER: BDCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,184,868	$1,397,004
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(395,292)	$(380,983)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	19,399,223	19,399,223

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$21,500,580	$26,409,152
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(1,965,585)	$0.00

-30- 1085

#90333c0019 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sphinx Mining Inc.(TICKER: SPNX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$318,000	$642,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(110,000)	$(148,000)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$(0.13)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,202,518	1,153,351

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,164,000	$3,654,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,963,000	$1,765,000

-30- 1071

#90333c0020 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Willard Pease Oil and Gas Co.(TICKER: WPOG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$104,533	$129,248
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(76,727)	$2,581
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,355,488	1,961,054

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,598,856	$1,543,422
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$691,503	$398,004

-30- 1084

#90333c0022 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Broad National Bancorporation.(TICKER: BNBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$670,000	$1,453,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.24	$0.53

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$453,195,000	$444,206,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$28,730,000	$26,975,000

-30- 825

#90333c0023 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Brainerd International Inc.(TICKER: BIRI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,208,367	$1,117,010
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$33,470	$151,560
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.06

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,199,427	$2,089,619
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,460,993	$1,354,829

-30- 1014

#90333c0024 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Susquehanna Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: SUSQ).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$4,468,000	$4,963,000

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.56	$0.62

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,577,538,000	$1,563,714,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$149,184,000	$141,225,000

-30- 814
#90333c0025 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, STUART T K HO, CHAIRMAN OF CAPITAL INVESTMENT OF HAWAII INC. BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $3.91 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 334
#90333c0026 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEPT. 4, 1990 TO SEPT. 28, 1990, D.A. KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON CO.(TICKER: RBRT) BOUGHT 86,600 SHARES FROM $7.00 TO $9.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 276,400.

-30- 341
#90333c0027 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEPT. 20, 1990 TO OCT. 30, 1990, D.A, KASS, BEN. OWNER OF ROBERTSON CO.(TICKER: RBRT) SOLD 377,300 SHARES FROM $3.25 TO $7.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 276,400.

-30- 342
#90333c0028 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, S.A. OOLIE, DIR. OF NBS NATIONAL BENEFIT SERVICES INC. (TICKER: NBSN), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,347.

-30- 341
#90333c0030 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 13, 1990, D.H. POWELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MOD U KRAF HOMES INC.(TICKER: MODU) BOUGHT 16,667 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,270.

-30- 340
#90333c0031 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT. 3, 1990 TO OCT. 12, 1990, B.P. TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN COLLOID CO. (TICKER: ACOL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 749,278.

-30- 344
#90333c0032 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, M.H. BLAZO, DIR. OF COUNTY BANK FSB.(TICKER: CNBA) BOUGHT 568 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,568.

-30- 296
#90333c0033 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 6, 1990, J.D. APPELL, DIR. OF DROVERS BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,814.

-30- 297
#90333c0034 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 5, 1990, R.E. HIRSCHMAN, DIR. OF DROVERS BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,721.

-30- 308
#90333c0035 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEPT. 6, 1990 TO OCT. 18, 1990, E.B. LAUER, DIR. OF FARMERS NATIONAL BANCORP.(MD) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,204.

-30- 340
#90333c0036 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEPT. 6, 1990 TO SEPT. 20, 1990, J.M. SUIT, PRES. OF FARMERS NATIONAL BANCORP.(MD) BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,650.

-30- 341
#90333c0038 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, R.D. HOWARD, OFFICER OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (GA) BOUGHT 606 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,383.

-30- 301
#90333c0039 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, S.S. HUDSON, OFFICER OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (GA) BOUGHT 2,396 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,305.

-30- 305
#90333c0040 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 7, 1990, W.T. HARRIS, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORP. (MS) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,665.

-30- 319
#90333c0041 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 13, 1990, H.A. COLLINS, DIR. OF GROWTH FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 300
#90333c0042 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, M.B. KRENTZMAN, DIR. OF OMEGA FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT

1,450 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,350.

-30- 304
#90333c0043 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 19, 1990, J.A. RENNINGER, DIR. OF JUNIATA VALLEY FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,782.

-30- 317
#90333c0044 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, J.F. WOOLLEY, DIR. OF NATIONAL BANCSHARES CORP. (OH) BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,879.

-30- 306
#90333c0046 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 9, 1990, M.W. MYGRANT, DIR. OF RURBAN FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,050.

-30- 295
#90333c0047 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 9, 1990, M.W. MYGRANT, DIR. OF RURBAN FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,250.

-30- 297
#90333c0048 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, R.J. HOLLAND, DIR. OF SERVINATIONAL INC.(TICKER: SRVN) BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,900.

-30- 305
#90333c0049 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 4, 1990, R.H. ALBRIGHT JR, DIR. OF STERLING FINANCIAL CORP.

BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,856.

-30- 305
#90333c0050 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 4, 1990, R.H. ALBRIGHT JR, DIR. OF STERLING FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,321.

-30- 307
#90333c0051 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 18, 1990, J.W. ROGERS, DIR. OF UNITED PARCEL SERVICE OF AMERICA INC. SOLD 4,478 SHARES AT $21.77 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90333c0052 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JAN. 23, 1989 TO NOV. 21, 1989, H.E. BORKOSKI, DIR. OF UNITED BANCORP INC.(OH)(TICKER: UTBK) BOUGHT 665 SHARES FROM $26.00 TO $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,612.

-30- 346
#90333c0054 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAY 19, 1989 TO JUNE 15, 1990, J.W. EVERSON, PRES. OF UNITED BANCORP INC.(OH) (TICKER: UTBK) BOUGHT 380 SHARES FROM $26.00 TO $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,291.

-30- 347
#90333c0055 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MARCH 30, 1990, P. OCHSENBEIN, DIR. OF UNITED BANCORP INC. (OH) (TICKER: UTBK) BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,765.

-30- 317
#90333c0056 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 31, 1988, R.L. RIESBECK, DIR. OF UNITED BANCORP INC. (OH) (TICKER: UTBK) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,425.

-30- 316
#90333c0057 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM APRIL 24, 1989 TO JULY 6, 1990, M.C. THOMAS, DIR. OF UNITED BANCORP INC. (OH) (TICKER: UTBK) BOUGHT 900 SHARES FROM $26.00 TO $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 544.

-30- 340
#90333c0058 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, CENTRAL MUTUAL INSURANCE CO, BEN. OWNER OF CENTRAL UNITED CORP.(TICKER: CNTU) BOUGHT 468 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,488,283.

-30- 335
#90333c0059 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT. 9, 1990 TO OCT. 16, 1990, J.D. MABIE, DIR. OF READING CO. (TICKER: RDGC) BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES FROM $9.75 TO $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 326
#90333c0060 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 5, 1990, J.D. MABIE, DIR. OF READING CO.(TICKER: RDGC) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 291
#90333c0062 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT. 2, 1990 TO OCT. 29, 1990, D.W. REYNOLDS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THOMAS EDISON INNS INC. BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES FROM $6.88 TO $7.19

PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,166.

-30- 366
#90333c0063 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, P.M. THOMAS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALLEY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: VCCN) BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 607,910.

-30- 340
#90333c0064 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 12, 1990, H.M. ZELIKOW, DIR. OF NOBEL INSURANCE LTD. (TICKER: NOBL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 314
#90333c0065 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 11, 1990, W.I. BOBYE, SHAREHOLDER OF TRITON CANADA RES. LTD BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,103.

-30- 317
#90333c0066 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 14, 1989, T.J. GILLOWAY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VALLEY FORGE SCIENTIFIC CORP. (TICKER: VLFG), SOLD 19,800 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,064,133.

-30- 380
#90333c0067 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 14, 1989, J.L. MALIS, CHAIRMAN OF VALLEY FORGE SCIENTIFIC CORP. (TICKER: VLFG), SOLD 19,800 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,270,534.

-30- 355

#90333c0068 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 14, 1989, L.I. MALIS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VALLEY FORGE SCIENTIFIC CORP. (TICKER: VLFG), SOLD 19,800 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 979,333.

-30- 374
#90333c0070 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 13, 1990, R.K. FITTS, BEN. OWNER OF MOD U KRAF HOMES INC. (TICKER: MODU) SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,143.

-30- 325
#90333c0071 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, T.S. ALTFELD, DIR. OF L.C.B. BANCORP, INC. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,684.

-30- 297
#90333c0072 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, T.S. ALTFELD, DIR. OF L.C.B. BANCORP, INC. BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,301.

-30- 294
#90333c0073 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 14, 1990, R.D. PORTER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SILVER LEDGE INC. BOUGHT 216,183 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,495,274.

-30- 324
#90333c0074 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.E. THORNHILL OF 504 SOUTH JACKSON ST, BROOKHAVEN, MS 39601, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,300 SHARES OF LDDS COMMUNICATIONS INC.(TICKER: LDDS) THROUGH JC

BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 26, 1990.

(LDDS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 601 987-4900)

-30- 438
#90333c0075 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A.H. BRADLEY OF 3075 SHAHUCK, STE #616, SAGINAW, MI 48603, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF ACUNET CORP. THROUGH FIRST MICHIGAN CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 27, 1990.

(ACUNET CORP. TEL: 517 754-1151)

-30- 387
#90333c0076 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

SENECA FOODS CORP. OF PITTSFORD, NEW YORK OWNS 757,700 SHARES (12.00%) OF MOOG INC.(TICKER: MOG) OF EAST AURORA, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 25, 1990 through Nov. 19, 1990, Seneca Foods Corp. purchased 86,600 shares at a purchase price of $5.66 to $7 per share.

-30- 470
#90333c0078 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.D. VANDYKE III OWNS 50,000 SHARES (9.50%) OF DAVID WHITE INC. (TICKER: DAWH) OF GERMANTOWN, WISCONSIN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 20, 1990 the filer purchased 50,000 shares of David White Inc. common stock for an aggregate purchase price of $237,500.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

-30- 503
#90333c0081 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

POLY VENTURES LP OWNS 22,615,027 SHARES (63.40%) OF SMARTCARD INTERNATIONAL INC.(TICKER: SMRT).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Since the previous amendment, Poly Ventures LP loaned $400,000 to Smartcard International Inc. and acquired a five-year warrant for 640,000 shares at $.125 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 524
#90333c0082 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY M.A. FARISS TRUSTEE J.L. FARISS OWNS 1,534,600 SHARES (22.00%) OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC.(TICKER: HII) OF AUSTIN, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M.A. Fariss Trustee J.L. Fariss, et al. acquired the shares upon the death of James L. Fariss Jr., her spouse. At the time of his death, 121,850 class B common shares converted automatically into an equal number of class A shares and options to purchase 29,746 class A shares were terminated. A Texas probate court appointed M.A. Fariss Trustee J.L. Fariss, et al. as executor on Nov. 19 1990.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares by operation of law.

-30- 839
#90333c0083 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY W.S. FRIEDMAN OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 2,403,650 SHARES (37.80%) OF AMERICAN REALTY TRUST (TICKER: ARB) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

W.S. Friedman, et al. reported transactions involving a total of 475,346 shares from Sept. 17 to Nov. 16, 1990 for $2.50 to $3.13 per share, but it is unclear as to whether such transactions were purchases or sales.

-30- 588
#90333c0084 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY P.R. HANDLERY OWNS 208,940 SHARES (8.80%) OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC) OF OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

P.R. Handlery, et al. purchased 57,588 shares from Aug. 24 to Oct. 25, 1990 for $8.50 to $10.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 482
#90333c0085 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 2,883,240 SHARES (12.24%) OF LVI GROUP INC.(TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 5 through Nov. 26 1990, Gamco Investors, et al. sold 45,600 at a price of $.06 to $.16 per share; 40,000 shares were disposed of as the results in change of dispositive power and beneficial ownership of Gamco Investors Inc.; and 18,325 shares of preferred convertible stock were sold at a price of $.19 to $.50 per share.

-30- 710
#90333c0086 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY HAZLETON NATIONAL BANK TRUSTEE OWNS 1,423,305 SHARES (34.79%) OF MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES INC.(TICKER: MABS) OF SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result of Monoclonal Antibodies Inc.'s failure to redeem the preferred shares on or before Sept. 27, 1990, the dividend rate on the preferred shares increased to 10.4 percent and Monoclonal Antibodies Inc. was required to issue common shares to preferred holders. Hazleton National Bank Trustee, et al.'s were issued an aggregate of 130,081 preferred shares. Monoclonal Antibodies Inc. entered into a merger agreement on July 11, 1990 with Quidel Corp., which provides for a stock for stock merger with the Monoclonal Antibodies Inc. as the survivor. On Oct. 26, 1990, Hazleton National Bank Trustee, et al.'s agreed, pursuant to a letter agreement with Monoclonal Antibodies Inc., to waive acceleration of the notes and the mandatory redemption of the preferred shares upon the consummation of the merger and the financing. In consideration of such waiver, Monoclonal Antibodies Inc. agreed that in the event the aggregate proceeds of the financing and other equity financings consummated by Monoclonal Antibodies Inc. within 180 days following the merger exceed $4 million, Monoclonal Antibodies Inc. will apply 35 percent of the excess as following: first, to the repayment of the outstanding notes, and secondly, to the redemption of the preferred shares. The letter agreement may be terminated by Hazleton National Bank Trustee, et al.'s upon the earlier to occur: the termination of the merger agreement (other than by reason of merger consummation, and Jan. 31, 1991, if the merger has not been consummated on or before such date.

-30- 1946
#90333c0088 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

G.W. FISCHER OWNS 130,000 SHARES (7.80%) OF GUARANTY BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: GBNC) OF SHAMOKIN, PENNSYLVANIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

G.W. Fischer purchased 42,500 shares on Oct. 15, 1990 for $2 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 446
#90333c0089 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 22

BANK HAPOALIM BM OWNS 5,693,358 CLASS A SHARES (38.99%) OF AMPAL AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP.(TICKER: AIS) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Bank Hapoalim BM purchased 57,800 shares from Nov. 8-20, 1990 for $1.88 to $2 per share and purchased 2,500 convertible preferred shares on Nov. 15, 1990 for $6 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases to increase equity investment.

-30- 595
#90333c0090 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY ROPART PARTNERS LP OWNS 790,500 SHARES (17.40%) OF CONTROL RESOURCE INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: CRIX) OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Control Resource Industries Inc. repurchased 650,470 shares since July 1990 and 67,000 shares prior to July, thereby increasing the Ropart Partners LP, et al.'s stake.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Ropart Partners LP, et al.'s purchased 13,000 shares from Oct. 9-29, 1990 for $1.63 to $1.81 per share. Ropart Partners LP, et al.'s also purchased 15,000 shares in April 1990 for an unspecified amount.

-30- 777
#90333c0091 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY MIM HOLDINGS LTD OWNS 12,356,200 SHARES (36.50%) OF GRANGES EXPLORATION LTD.(TICKER: GXL) OF VANCOUVER, CANADA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

MIM Holdings, et al. purchased 379,500 shares from Nov. 8-21, 1990 for Cdn.$1.45 to Cdn.$1.55 per share.

-30- 470
#90333c0092 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:35 that trade in Nashua Corp. has been halted pending the dissemination of news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol NSH.

-30- 323
#90333c0093 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:39 that trade in Survival Technology Inc.(NASDAQ: SURV) has been resumed. The first sale was 10 1/2; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 356
#90333c0094 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Nashua Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol NSH. Trading was resumed at 10:00.

-30- 337
#90333c0096 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Intergroup Corp.(TICKER: INTG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,851,124	$1,803,697

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(316,990)	$(832,974)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.35)	$(0.92)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	897,600	907,426

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$32,556,717	$35,154,030
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,949,696	$2,257,931

-30- 1083

#90333c0097 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by CIMM Inc.(TICKER: CMOD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Sept. 28, 1990	July 1, 1989
REVENUES	$142,863	$115,798
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(436,598)	$(587,069)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,839,259	4,164,284

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,701,126	$7,824,802
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,987,864	$5,370,617

The company, a development stage enterprise, reports operating sales of $126,574 reflects the slowdown of activity and are primarily the result of deliveries of system components by CIMM's European subsidiary and test fixtures sold in the U.S. The company states it has not been able to pursue new business because of its cash flow difficulties and that shipments have

fallen off dramatically during Sept. 1990. Its corporate address is 145 Jordan Road, Rensselaer Technology Park, Troy, New York 12180, and its telephone number is (518) 283-0836.

-30- 1617

#90333c0098 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Seaway Financial Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,987,000	$6,570,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$837,000	$760,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.66	$0.60
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,277,000	1,275,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$302,395,000	$290,724,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$27,711,000	$26,393,000

-30- 1076

#90333c0099 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Benihana National Corp.(TICKER: BNHN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Oct. 14, 1990	Oct. 8, 1989
REVENUES	$8,577,349	$8,631,875
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(62,326)	$348,592
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.06

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 14, 1990	April 1, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$24,990,103	$25,697,941
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,554,439	$10,255,780

-30- 1022

#90333c0100 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Aspen Leaf Inc.(TICKER: TREE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 27,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,181,724	$1,283,076
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(145,448)	$(109,381)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.05)

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 27, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,009,804	$3,218,980
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,048,186	$1,531,685

-30- 1012

#90333c0101 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ames Financial Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$107,153	$(136,313)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$105,325,095	$108,274,631
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,929,624	$3,822,472

-30- 717

#90333c0102 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Homecorp Inc.(TICKER: HMCI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$903,000	$1,409,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.22	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$345,059,000	$352,362,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,509,000	$7,310,000

-30- 783

#90333c0104 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Parkway Co.(TICKER: PKWY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,849,000	$383,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(171,000)	$228,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.13)	$0.17
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,329,000	1,330,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$62,244,000	$62,915,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$32,119,000	$32,623,000

-30- 1058

#90333c0105 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by TGX Corp.(TICKER: XTGX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,832,000	$39,963,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,245,000)	$(2,186,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.13)	$(0.09)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	25,314,000	$25,232,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$188,560,000	$215,468,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$72,581,000	$84,787,000

-30- 1074

#90333c0106 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by University Graphics Inc.(TICKER: UNIG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$824,231	$768,949
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$33,384	$86,729
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$0.22

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	410,004	403,337

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,485,919	$2,669,581
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,360,556	$1,082,527

-30- 1072

#90333c0107 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by National Healthcare Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$57,291,000	$58,634,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$155,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$242,000	$(524,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.05)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	16,594,000	10,364,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$174,093,000	$173,487,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(26,407,000)	$(26,647,000)

-30- 1088

#90333c0108 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Batavia Financial Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$123,350	$85,482

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.28	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$68,774,580	$67,084,537
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,701,898	$1,356,490

-30- 776

#90333c0109 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The National Security Group Inc.(TICKER: NSEC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,179,000	$7,947,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$680,000	$1,070,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.44	$0.68

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$62,561,000	$65,403,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$27,196,000	$27,936,000

-30- 1025

#90333c0110 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Big Piney Oil and Gas Co.(TICKER: BPIN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$71,722	$32,960
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(165,656)	$(17,343)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,643,198	10,358,712

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,773,206	$1,482,522
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,622,421	$1,397,858

-30- 1084

#90333c0112 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Adage Inc.(TICKER: ADGE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$19,019,000	$21,548,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$321,000	$274,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	20,524,953	10,945,488

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$57,962,000	$52,724,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$19,828,000	$8,685,000

-30- 1057

#90333c0113 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Westmoreland Coal Co.(TICKER: WMOR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$145,597,000	$145,411,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,754,000	$5,852,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.46	$0.71
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,250,000	8,250,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$347,872,000	$345,356,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$160,936,000	$150,739,000

-30- 1084

#90333c0114 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Prime Telecommunications Corp.(TICKER: PLDS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,290,707	$3,140,463
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$10,039	$28,909
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$5,857	$27,123
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,696,337	3,883,360

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,183,922	$6,231,893
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,646,932	$2,071,046

The company reports results of the third quarter of 1990 reflect the continuing growth of the company's telecommunications business. Growth has been slower than that previously experienced, due to increased market pressure particularly from AT&T, says Prime. This pressure resulted in significant

price decreases by the company and increased customer attrition. Costs and expenses also increased, according to Prime. The company's location is 5 Triad Center, #600, Salt Lake City, UT 84180. Its telephone number is (801) 575-8222.

-30- 1619

#90333c0115 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Liberty National Bank.(TICKER: LIBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$379,391,000	$498,450,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$0.14

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$148,252,552	$136,277,869
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,201,130	$11,253,549

-30- 815

#90333c0116 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by TEL Electronics Inc.(TICKER: TELS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$780,334	$714,657
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$15,000	$31,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$63,328	$107,436
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$0.06

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$2,198,502	$1,784,212
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,376,848	$1,335,716

-30- 991

#90333c0117 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Oklahoma Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: UOBI).

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$76,000	$3,141,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$1.15
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,644,000	$2,644,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$59,565,000	$57,131,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,127,000	$4,952,000

-30- 875

#90333c0118 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The W.W. Williams Co.(TICKER: WWWM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$22,755,000	$17,604,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$157,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$329,000	$497,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.33	$0.52
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	984,397	979,328

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$61,107,000	$61,619,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$20,322,000	$19,983,000

-30- 1080
#90333c0120 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY T.L. KEMPNER OWNS 4,176,971 SHARES (17.70%) OF ALCIDE CORP. (TICKER: ALCD) OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

T.L. Kempner, et al. purchased 22,000 preferred shares from Nov. 12-14, 1990 for $1 to $1.03 per share.

-30- 445
#90333c0121 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY T.L. KEMPNER OWNS 500,609 SHARES (32.00%) OF ALCIDE CORP. (TICKER: ALCD) OF NORWALK, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

T.L. Kempner, et al. purchased 22,000 preferred shares from Nov. 12-14, 1990 for $1 to $1.03 per share.

-30- 443
#90333c0122 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

K.M. FUERST OWNS 486,666 SHARES (12.90%) OF GREAT NORTHERN GAS CO. OF DENVER, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

K.M. Fuerst purchased 486,666 shares from Frank DiGrappa, president, director and a controlling shareholder of Great Northern Gas Co. for $.60 per share,

under an option agreement to buy up to 704,054 shares for the same price.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 576
#90333c0123 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY WEISS PECK & GREER OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 7,076,754 SHARES (40.30%) OF NU WEST INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: FERT) OF ENGLEWOOD, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 23, 1990, Weiss Peck & Greer, et al. loaned $3.5 million to Nu West Industries Inc. pursuant to a loan agreement. As consideration for the loans, Weiss Peck & Greer, et al. received warrants to purchase 2.5 million common shares and $3.5 million in subordinated notes. The warrants are exercisable after May 20, 1992 for $.05 per share and the subordinated notes are due on Oct. 1, 1994. The loans were made to collateralize a $2.3 million appeals bond necessary for Nu West Industries Inc. to appeal a decision by a US District Court to grant summary judgement to Clarendon Ltd. in an action alleging that Nu West Industries Inc. guaranteed payment by a subsidiary of a term loan for $2 million.

PURPOSE:

Loans made to Nu West Industries Inc. to provide funds to collateralize an appeals bond.

-30- 1214
#90333c0124 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 2,051,000 SHARES (9.00%) OF MAXTOR CORP.(TICKER: MXTR) OF SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.

PURPOSE:

To show an increase in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 467
#90333c0125 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 583,200 SHARES (5.40%) OF SUPER FOOD SERVICES INC.(TICKER: SFS) OF BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI.

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 475
#90333c0126 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 475,700 SHARES (7.90%) OF GREENMAN BROS. INC.(TICKER: GMN) OF FARMINGDALE, NEW ORKY.

PURPOSE: To show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 461
#90333c0128 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:21 that trade in Louisiana-Pacific Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol LPX.

-30- 320
#90333c0129 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mid Maine Savings Bank (TICKER: MMSB)

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$215,000	$445,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.16	$0.32
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,380,000	1,380,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$222,835,000	$236,184,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$20,612,000	$21,826,000

-30- 876

#90333c0130 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Homecall Inc.(TICKER: HCLL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,580,110	$1,289,046
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(99,318)	$26,317
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	25,836,211	26,040,061

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,041,255	$1,821,918
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$292,048	$382,193

-30- 1064

#90333c0131 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Dimensional Visions Group Ltd.(TICKER: DVGL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(561,018)	$(316,524)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,813,169	7,850,820

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,033,768	$6,590,752
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,479,476	$6,017,994

-30- 1092

#90333c0132 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pamrapo Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: PBCI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$404,163	$522,425
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.23	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,725,000	000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$363,136,066	$255,506,529
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$38,165,009	$36,814,798

-30- 866

#90333c0133 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Financial Management Corp.(TICKER: FFM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$231,426,000	$175,072,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$17,960,000	$15,008,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.65	$0.56

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,296,476,000	$4,941,145,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$577,260,000	$500,829,000

-30- 1052

#90333c0134 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Schult Homes Corp.(TICKER: SHCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$44,784,000	$39,881,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,405,000	$861,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.40	$0.26
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,311,409	3,306,034

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$38,542,000	$40,724,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,955,000	$8,640,000

-30- 1088

#90333c0136 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Flexwatt Inc.(TICKER: FWAT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$565,532	$319,309
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(287,123)	$(251,126)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,453,773	9,138,717

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,598,582	$1,740,636
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,060,731	$1,297,444

-30- 1062

#90333c0137 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Roy F. Weston Inc.(TICKER: WSTN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$66,892,000	$55,219,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$479,000	$(2,846,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$(0.34)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,579,167	8,415,236

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$133,307,000	$135,924,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$59,925,000	$57,575,000

-30- 1080

#90333c0138 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Scan-Graphics Inc.(TICKER: SCNG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$531,019	$958,947
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(226,009)	$25,074
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,401,470	$2,557,797
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$775,637	$181,879

-30- 992

#90333c0139 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Century Pacific Housing Fund I.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,863	$19,165
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,044,357)	$(1,714,378)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,831,777	$8,498,755
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,529,891	$8,242,635

-30- 950

#90333c0140 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Unico American Corp.(TICKER: UNAM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,481,898	$4,875,264
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$911,286	$1,264,873
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.17	$0.22
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,532,810	5,625,132

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$58,690,255	$58,557,118
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$17,952,808	$16,150,315

-30- 1078

#90333c0141 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Motor Club of America.(TICKER: MOTR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$19,095,679	$18,712,362
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,144,272)	$1,253,169
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.56)	$0.61

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$125,464,699	$123,152,899
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,383,173	$5,777,307

-30- 1023
#90333c0142 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by SCI Holdings Inc.(TICKER: SCIH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$139,137,000	$128,896,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(35,450,000)	$(42,426,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1,182)	$(1,267)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,639,774,000	$3,705,361,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(114,376,000)	$22,058,000

-30- 1024
#90333c0144 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:10 that trade in Financial News Network (NASDAQ: FNNI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 1/2. The company is located in Los Angeles, California.

-30- 361
#90333c0145 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:11 that trade in Infotechnology Inc.(NASDAQ: ITCH) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 15/16. The company is located in Fairfax, Virginia.

-30- 347
#90333c0146 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:23 that trade in Bethlehem Resources Corp.(NASDAQ: BTHM) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 1/4. The company is located in Vancouver, British Columbia.

-30- 366
#90333c0147 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:05 that trade in Financial News Network (NASDAQ: FNNI) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 5/8; up 1/8 point from the halt, and down 3/8 point from the previous close.

-30- 373
#90333c0148 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:07 that trade in Infotechnology Inc.(NASDAQ: ITCH) has been resumed. The first sale was 15/16; unchanged from the halt, and down 7/16 point from the previous close.

-30- 363
#90333c0149 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by International American Homes Inc.(TICKER: HOME).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$12,005,000	$39,216,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$5,343,000	$413,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.78)	$0.06
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,870,000	7,255,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$125,811,000	$159,460,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(4,788,000)	$4,642,000

-30- 1120
#90333c0150 11/29/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Canyon Resources Corp.(TICKER: CYNR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,202,900	$2.059,300
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,957,100)	$(398,600)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	20,947,300	9,225,500

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$51,442,900	$11,759,600
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$30,115,200	$5,224,700

-30- 1121

#90333c0152 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Independence Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: INBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$14,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$5,479,000	$4,359,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.50	$0.40
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,015,896	$10,984,728

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,645,434,000	$2,705,361,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$200,095,000	$193,228,000

-30- 959

#90333c0153 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Glendale Bancorporation.(TICKER: GNBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$353,000	$322,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.19	$0.16
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,906,533	1,988,977

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$242,397,000	$228,247,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,251,000	$13,184,000

-30- 879

#90333c0154 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Safety Railway Service Corp.(TICKER: SRSC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$891,000	$839,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(249,000)	$(8,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.21)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,207,198	1,207,198

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,443,000	$9,117,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,960,000	$7,410,000

-30- 1114

#90333c0155 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Penn Virginia Corp.(TICKER: PVIR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,891,000	$17,497,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,332,000	$3,216,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.76	$0.73
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,341,220	4,390,440

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$175,094,000	$168,506,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$122,291,000	$117,909,000

-30- 1098

#90333c0156 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by River Forest Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: RFBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$4,481,000	$3,945,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.59	$0.51

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,020,541,000	$972,195,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$80,460,000	$68,271,000

-30- 813

#90333c0157 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Riverside Group Inc.(TICKER: RSGI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$21,086,000	$22,440,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,401,000)	$2,060,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.61)	$0.37
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,594,930	5,594,930

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$198,701,000	$210,248,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$43,874,000	$43,875,000

-30- 1085

#90333c0158 11/29/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Universal Holding Corp.(TICKER: UHCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$652,408	$565,625
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(219,301)	$(25,929)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,274,590	3,018,443

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$64,625,525	$59,969,001
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,979,092	$8,035,641

-30- 1089

#90333d0060 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 29) - The World Bank announced Thursday, for the second time, that it had approved loans totalling 450 million dollars to Brazil. This time, the bank meant it.

Exactly two weeks after the bank mistakenly announced the loans, it confirmed Thursday that it would now go ahead with the financial help to strengthen Brazil's private sector and scientific and technological research.

The previous announcement was made despite an apparent veto of the loans by Japan and the United States, which both wanted firmer guarantees that Brazil would resume debt repayments to major commercial lenders.

Sources said Thursday that the United States, whose President George Bush is scheduled to visit Brazil next week, had since lifted its objections.

The World Bank is advancing Brazil 300 million dollars for reinvestment in the private sector and 150 million dollars to help finance scientific and technological research.

Linked to the World Bank loan for the private sector is a 250-million dollar loan from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), also to help finance private investment.

-30- 1295

#90333d0090 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (NOV 29) - The United States should avoid a recession next year, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) said Thursday.

In a study of the U.S. economy, the Paris-based OECD contradicted the majority opinion of leading U.S. economists by predicting continued, albeit modest growth well into next year.

And, the report suggests, the sluggish growth should help the United States cut its trade deficit because while "U.S. exports are projected to expand more rapidly than markets ... domestic demand is very soft."

According to the OECD, "The (U.S.) economy is growing only very slowly, relying almost wholly on net export growth to sustain demand."

The expected rise in U.S. exports was partly due, said the international agency, to the recent fall in the value of the dollar.

The OECD predicts a continued cautious approach by the Federal Reserve to money supply and interest rates and continued rising unemployment.

"With monetary policy having to remain relatively cautious, because of

inflation dangers," said the report, "GNP (gross national product growth) may remain rather slow until the middle of 1991.

"Thereafter, consumption should begin to grow more in line with income, and GNP growth should begin to recover."

The OECD predicted that as unemployment rose above what it termed "its natural rate," or about five-and-a-half per cent, inflation pressures should ease.

"The recent increases in energy prices," it concludes, "are thus expected to be temporary, with consumer price inflation returning to about five per cent by the end of 1992."

-30- 1806

#90333d0130 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, (NOV 29) - British and U.S. troops in the Gulf were placed on their highest alert since the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the BBC said Thursday, quoting reports from the Gulf.

A report from the British domestic news agency Press Association's correspondent in the Gulf said forces had been placed on special alert for an Iraqi air strike.

The Yellow alert has been declared because of fears of Iraqi retaliation to the U.N. resolution supporting the use of force to liberate Kuwait, the report said.

All troops were ordered to carry their NBC (Nuclear, Biological, Chemical) protection suits and respirators with them at all times, the report said.

-30- 851

#90333d0170 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 29) - U.S. President George Bush hailed Thursday's U.N. Security Council vote authorizing the use of force to dislodge Iraq from Kuwait as a "very powerful statement" but reiterated his hopes for a peaceful resolution of the crisis.

"The U.N. sent a very powerful statement that will be heard around the world ... and everybody ought to understand how strong it is and how important it is " he told reporters at the White House shortly after the U.N. vote.

"Everybody wants a peaceful resolution ... I hope we're closer to peace," he added, reiterating the U.S. view that the resolution threatening a military strike if Iraq does not withdraw from Kuwait by Janaury 15 will convince Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to back down on his claims over the tiny emirate.

"I think this would drive home the point to (Mr. Hussein) that he's got to get out of Kuwait," he said.

-30- 1079

#90333d0200 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ARLINGTON, Virginia (NOV 29) - Japan has been invited to send engineers to work and train at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) said Thursday.

The U.S. space agency, in a brief statement issued at the end of a four-day meeting here with representatives of the Space Activities Commission of Japan (SAC), said the Japanese engineers would work at Johnson during mission preparation and operations activities for the Spacelab-J mission.

"This," said NASA, "will enable Japan to obtain additional flight operations experience prior to the Space Station era."

During this week's meetings, said NASA, the U.S. agency told Katsushita Ida, director general of the research and development bureay of Japan's Science and Technology Agency (STA), that "two Japanese candidates are invited to join the next NASA mission specialist training class, beginning in July 1992."

The U.S. space agency added: "It is NASA's intent to offer a space shuttle flight assignment to one or both of the Japanese mission specialist candidates in the years following the successful completion of the training program."

NASA and the STA are also "actively reviewing options for flying Japanese Experimental Module (JEM) hardware on a space shuttle in the mid-1990's."

-30- 1527

#90333d0390 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 30) - Former president of Nicaragua Daniel Ortega met Thursday for the second time in two weeks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for talks on the Gulf crisis, the Iraqi News Agency said.

Mr. Ortega arrived here Wednesday from Amman on his second trip to Iraq this month. He had a first meeting with President Hussein on November 15.

INA said Mr. Hussein told the former Nicaraguan leader that Iraq wanted peace and respected any efforts for peace that were "devoid of aggressive aims." He said respect for international law should include recognition of the rights of the Palestinian people.

Mr. Ortega, Marxist leader of Nicaragua until his defeat in a free election earlier this year, denounced the "logic of threats and aggression" and said Iraq had the "support of the Nicaraguan people in the face of any aggression,"

according to INA.

Before arriving in Baghdad from Amman, Mr. Ortega said conditions were favorable for a negotiated settlement to the Gulf crisis and that he hoped to make a "contribution to bringing about peace."

-30- 1260

#90333d0420 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 30) - Kokusai Denshin Denwa Co. (KDD) said Friday it has signed an agreement with North Korea to open a direct telecommunication circuit between the two countries via the Intelsat satellite.

The agreement was signed Thursday in Pyongyang between Japan's international telecommunications giant KDD and North Korea's Ministry of Post and Telecommunications, KDD officials said.

Under the agreement, three telephone cicuits and 10 telex circuits will be opened later in the year, they said.

KDD also agreed with North Korea to start international television transmisson service if necessary.

Japan and North Korea are currently linked by short wave radio or connections via China.

Observers said the agreement could boost discussions on establishing diplomatic ties between Tokyo and Pyongyang.

In a surprise turnabout, North Korean President Kim Il-Sung proposed to set up diplomatic ties with Tokyo in September in an apparent move to get capital and technology from Japan to boost its debt-ridden, stagnant economy.

Japan and North Korea have since held two rounds of preliminary official conctacts in Beijing with a third round scheduled for mid-December.

-30- 1388

#90333d0560 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) - U.S. President George Bush called Thursday the United Nations adoption of a resolution backing military force against Iraq ''very good news'' and said he hoped now the world was ''closer to peace'' as a result.

''I think this will drive home the point to him (Iraqi President Saddam Hussein) that he's got to get out of Kuwait,'' Bush said.

The president told reporters he believed the resolution, which sanctions the

use of force should Iraq not withdraw from Kuwait by January 15, was ''a very powerful statement''.

Asked if the world was closer to war, Bush said: ''Everybody wants a peaceful resolution ... I hope we're closer to peace.''

He ignored a question on whether he would order a special session of Congress to debate the Gulf crisis, merely saying the resolution was ''very good news, very good news''.

In a written statement later, he said the resolution ''underscores the unity and determination of the international commuity to end Iraq's illegal occupation of Kuwait''.

He said the United States would ''continue working with all countries for the express purpose of having the United Nations Security Council resolution fully implemented''.

''We continue to favour a peaceful settlement of this crisis at the same time, and as the Security Council demonstrates, there is growing resolve that Saddam's occupation of Kuwait not be allowed to stand and that all necessary means be employed to ensure this is the case,'' he added.

-30- 1694

#90333d0580 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAGUA (NOV. 29) - Two Cuban doctors who took refuge in the Costa Rican Embassy here have been granted political asylum in that country and left Thursday for San Jose, officials said.

The physicians, identified as Gilberto Perez and Mario Reyes, entered the Costa Rican mission Friday, saying they felt persecuted by Cuban authorities.

The doctors were in Nicaragua as part of a Cuban medical team, and were to have returned to their island nation soon.

Nicaragua treated them as refugees and granted them the necessary documentation to leave for Costa Rica, a spokeswoman for the Nicaraguan Foreign Ministry said.

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#90333d0600 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LA PAZ (NOV. 30) - The presidents of the five Andes mountain states in South America began a two-day conference in the Bolivian capital Thursday to discuss joint action against drug trafficking and ways of improving economic ties.

The state chiefs of Colombia, Peru, Bolivia, Ecuador and Venezuela - who

together make up the Andean Group - are expected to agree on a plan to tighten controls on the use of light aircraft, particularly in the Amazon jungle regions.

Light aircraft are often flown by cocaine smugglers using illegal landing strips in the jungle regions which cover the territories of all five countries.

Some 80 per cent of all cocaine traded illegally worldwide comes from the Andes region, mostly from Colombia, Peru and Bolivia.

Also on the agenda is the future of the the Group's economic union, formed 21 years ago, which has not provided members with the hoped-for upturn in trade.

Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori and Bolivian President Jaime Paz have called on the Andean Group to consider a cooperation agreement with other economic groupings in Latin America.

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#90333d0690 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV 30) - Britain's opposition Labour Party convincingly won by-elections in Paisley North and South although they saw their share of the vote slip, results Friday showed.

Labour had been expected to defend their big majorities in both Scottish seats in the polling Thursday, two days after John Major was elected leader of the ruling Conservatives to replace Margaret Thatcher as prime minister.

Results gave Labour 44 percent and 46 percent in Paisley North and Paisley South respectively (against 53 and 57 percent in 1987).

The Scottish National Party garnered 29 and 28 percent respectively while the Conservatives won 15 and 13 percent.

The by-elections had been called following the deaths of the Labour members of parliament in the two constituencies.

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#90333d0750 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV 30) - Germany's first free general election as a unified country since the rise of Adolf Hitler is based on a tried-and-tested system in use in West Germany for four decades.

The 656 deputies to the Bundestag, the powerful lower house of parliament, will be chosen by direct vote and proportional representation.

Each voter has two ballot sheets. One selects an MP by simple majority to 328

constituencies, the other chooses the remaining MPs according to a party list. Parties need at least five per cent of the vote in order to be alloted seats.

The five-percent threshold, which aims at preventing the creation of unstable splinter parties, is being applied separately in the former territory of East Germany, where 144 seats are being contested.

The federal supreme court ruled that it would unfair to the small parties that are specific to the fledgling eastern democracy to have to get a nationwide share in an electorate of 59.9 million.

The outgoing four-year Bundestag had 663 members, 144 of whom were East Germans who came to Bonn after the October 3 unification, when their assembly was dissolved.

The Christian Democratic Union (CDU) of Chancellor Helmut Kohl and its Bavarian partner, the Christian Social Union (CSU), had 305 seats, 71 in eastern Germany.

Its partner in the Bonn coalition, the Free Democratic Party (FDP) of Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, had 57 seats, of which nine are in the east.

The main opposition, the Social Democratic Party (SPD), had 226 seats, 33 from former East Germany.

The other groups in parliament are the Greens (49, of which seven from the east), and the once-ruling east German Communist Party, now renamed the Party of Democratic Socialism (PDS), which had 24 deputies, exclusively in the east.

The total was completed by two independents.

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#90333d0760 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) - The United States, the Soviet Union, France and Britain will make Iraqi President Saddam Hussein legally responsible for any use of chemical or biological weapons in an armed conflict in the Gulf, it was agreed here.

The four permanent members of the United Nations Security Council reached agreement on Saddam's liability following the special Council session to adopt a resolution authorising military force against Iraq, French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said.

In speeches to the Security Council Thursday, foreign ministers from the four countries had referred to the possibility of making Saddam legally responsible for any deployment of poison weapons.

Iraq has already used chemical weapons in its eight-year war against Iran, and also against Kurdish rebels on Iraqi territory.

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#90333d0770 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS, (NOV 29) - China Thursday justified its decision not to join the four other permanent members of the U.N. Security Council in endorsing the use-of-force resolution against Iraq by arguing that it is Beijing's policy to solve conflicts by peaceful means.

"The Chinese delegation," Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen said before the vote, "finds it difficult to vote in favor" of the resolution because it "goes against a consistent position of the Chinese Government, that is, to do everything possible to find a peaceful solution" in cases of conflict.

China abstained, with Cuba and Yemen voting against the resolution and the other 12 members in favor.

China did not exercise its veto power because the resolution demanded that Iraq comply with all the previous resolutions demanding an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, and China voted in favor of those resolutions, Mr. Qian added.

Recalling Beijing's support for the earlier resolutions, he said "the Gulf crisis is the result of the Iraqi invasion and annexation of Kuwait and, so far, Iraq has not taken any practical measure on the key question of the withdrawal of its troops."

Mr. Qian warned that the United Nations must "answer to history and act with extreme caution to avoid any hasty action when it concerns a matter as important as the authorization of certain member states to take military action against another member state."

While the peaceful option might take longer, "its cost would be less and the consequences less severe that a solution requiring the use of force."

The international community, he said, should maintain and strengthen its political, diplomatic and economic pressure on Iraq, avoiding military means as long as there was a hope of preserving peace.

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#90333d0900 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 30) - Japan's seasonally adjusted jobless rate stood at 2.2 percent in October, unchanged from September, the Management and Coordination Agency said.

It said the number of unemployed in October totaled 1.39 million, an increase

of 20,000 or 1.5 percent from a year earlier, including 820,000 men and 570,000 women.

The number of employed totaled 63.26 million in October, up 1.32 million or 2.1 percent from year earlier, including 37.61 million men and 25.66 million women.

The Labor Ministry meanwhile said in a separate report published Friday that there were 142 job openings for every 100 job seekers in October.

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#90333d0990 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LE HAVRE, FRANCE (NOV. 30) - A shipment of 700 metric tons of frozen Japanese sea scallops were being held up at this northern French port for tests on levels of the toxic PSP, port officials said on Thursday.

The scallops, packaged in sacks and cartons, filled 35 containers weighing 20 tons each and were being kept in refrigerated warehouses in the port, the officials said.

The tests would mean the shellfish would not be ready in time for Christmas sales, said Dr. Philippe David, head of the port's veterinary services.

Last spring, tests run on scallops from Japan had indicated the presence of toxins in amounts within European norms.

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#90333d1050 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (NOV. 30) - Expensive oil and sluggish exports gave South Korea an October current account trade deficit of more than half a billion dollars, the worst in eights years, the central Bank of Korea said Friday.

South Korea also ended up 10 million dollars in the red with the United States for October, the first trade deficit with its biggest trade partner since a 29 million dollar deficit in January 1983, the bank said.

The overall current account deficit was 579 million dollars, the largest since November 1982 when South Korea was in the red for 642 million dollars and the first after three months of surpluses, the central bank said.

The month put the annual deficit at 1.323 billion dollars for the first 10 months of 1990.

November figures threaten to be even worse. The national Yonhap news agency quoted a BOK official as saying the deficit would hover between one billion and 1.5 billion dollars, the worst since the central bank began compiling balance

of payment statistics in 1950.

South Korea imported 636.6 million dollars worth of crude oil in October, an increase of 65.5 per cent over the same period last year. A high number of holidays in October hurt exports, the bank said.

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#90333d4640 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (NOV. 29) - Finland's oil imports from the Soviet Union will drop about 30 percent this year because Moscow is not able to deliver the agreed amount, the Finnish state-run oil company, Neste, said here Thursday.

Neste had reached agreement earlier with the Soviet Union on a total 8.5 million tons of imported crude oil this year.

According to Neste's estimate, the Soviet deliveries will be about six million tons.

The vast majority of Finland's imported oil had come from the neighbouring Soviet Union, but Neste must now import at least 2.5 million tons from the West and Gulf area, the company said.

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#90333d4650 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 29) - Cable News Network (CNN) may soon be beaming its 24-hour news coverage to South African audiences, a newspaper reported here Thursday.

Sidney Pike, CNN's president of international special projects, hopes to clinch a deal with the state-run South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC), which controls all broadcasting in South Africa, the Johannesburg Star reported.

Mr. Pike said here that a "co-operative arrangement" had to be reached with the SABC and with South Africa's independent cable television network, M-NET, before South Africans could have CNN in their homes.

At present, the SABC uses CNN newscasts in their television news and broadcasts a lunch-hour news and business CNN special.

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#90333d4710 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 29) - Direct investment abroad by Japanese firms fell 10 percent to 27.7 billion dollars in the first six months of the fiscal year starting April compared to the same period last year, Japan's finance ministry said

Thursday.

The drop is the first on a half-year basis since 1986, when massive amounts of yen began flowing toward Europe, the United States and Asia. Japanese investment in Africa remains low, the ministry said.

The ministry said the fall was caused by the setting up of Japanese production plants in some countries reaching saturation point and a temporary halt in Japanese capital exports.

Japanese participation in foreign ventures slightly decreased by 200 million dollars to 17.67 billion dollars. Several projects were suspended due to financial difficulties linked to the fall of the Tokyo stock exchange.

The crisis in the U.S. junk bond market also contributed to the slowdown in Japanese investments in the United States.

If the trend continues, fiscal 1990, will show the first drop in overseas Japanese investment since 1982, even with the recent 6.2 billion dollar acquisition of MCA by Matsushita.

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#90333d4720 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 29) - Australia Thursday urged Japan to open its rice market and to exercise leadership in international farm negotiations, Japanese officials said.

The appeal was made by Australian Primary Industries and Energy Minister John Kerin and his Department Secretary Geoff Miller during their meeting with Japan's Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Tomio Yamamoto.

Mr. Kerin was quoted as saying that Japan as an economic superpower should use its leadership to achieve a successful outcome in the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade to begin Monday in Brussels.

In his reply, Mr. Yamamoto said "Free trade is important but the situation of farming differs for each country. What is necessary is cooperation between farm product exporting countries and importing countries."

Mr. Miller, who conceded that the rice issue is a difficult problem, expessed hope that Japan will send a signal to quicken developments in farm negotiations.

The Australian officials are visiting Japan as part of a campaign to promote exports of Australian wools.

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#90333d4780 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (NOV. 29) - U.S. and Philippine negotiators began meeting here Thursday to discuss American troop reduction levels in military bases in the country after 1991, Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus said.

He expressed hope that the two countries could reach a "basic agreement" by January on the future of Clark Air Base and Subic Naval Base, the two largest American military facilities overseas, whose lease runs out on September 16, 1991.

Washington is seeking a 10-12 year "transition period" during which the American military presence in this former colony would be progressively reduced, and has asked for some form of access to the military bases into the 21st century.

Manila wants "sovereign control" of Clark and four support facilities so the Philippine military could take over, and some parts could be transformed for commercial use, but offered a five to seven-year extension for Washington to phase out of Subic.

Mr. Manglapus said Thursday that the U.S. panel is asking "that even at the end of the phaseout they be allowed access to the ship repair facilities in Subic."

Subic, which guards vital sealanes and is the main logistics and repair facility of the Japan-based U.S. 7th fleet, is considered the more important of the two major bases.

The United States earlier this month announced that it was pulling out all its fighter jets from Clark, the headquarters of the U.S. 13th Air Force.

About 16,000 American servicemen are currently deployed at the Philippine bases.

The Philippine Senate, whose current composition opposes a foreign military presence after 1991, must ratify any treaty produced by the current talks.

Mr. Manglapus said the technical panels would also be discussing the issue of criminal jurisdiction over offenses committed by U.S. servicemen in the Philippines, and the question of nuclear weapons, whose presence is banned by the Philippine constitution.

Washington as a matter of policy neither confirms nor denies the presence of nuclear weapons on its bases overseas.

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#90333d4790 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (NOV. 29) - Sweden is to grant Kenya 178.5 million Kenyan shillings (7.66 million U.S. dollars) to finance the country's health sector in 1991-92 financial year, the official Kenya News Agency (KNA) reported here Thursday.

Under an agreement signed here Wednesday, by Kenyan health permanent secretary Daniel Mbiti and Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA) director Carl Bertil Lostelius, the grant will finance maintenance of rural health facilities, environmental health programmes and primary health care.

The grant would also be used for purchasing essential drugs and assistance to African Medical Research Foundation's (AMREF) health behavior and education, and health planning and management units, KNA said.

Sweden has also increased its annual grant to Kenya from 168 million shillings (7.21 million dollars) to 214.2 million shillings (9.19 million dollars), the agency said.

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#90333d4830 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 29) - The French group Aerospatiale has been selected by the European Space Agency (ESA) to conduct preliminary studies for a European probe of Saturn's satellite Titan, the firm announced on Wednesday.

The Huyghens probe, named after the 17th century Dutch astronomer who first discovered the largest of Saturn's satellites, is scheduled to be launched in 1996, in a joint ESA-NASA mission.

Aerospatiale, in association with several other European firms, was chosen over British Aerospace to conduct the studies, to begin in January.

Huyghens will be carried by the U.S. space vessel Cassini and launched by the U.S. rocket Titan-IV-Centaur. It is expected to approach Titan in 2002 when it will be ejected from Cassini.

During its voyage through Titan's atmosphere, the probe will transmit measurements by eight instruments aboard, via Cassini which will be orbiting around Saturn.

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#90333d4900 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (NOV. 29) - Government statisticians confirmed Thursday what the business community and thousands of unemployed workers have been saying for months -- that Australia is in recession.

But the announcement by the Bureau of Statistics of negative growth for the second successive quarter -- the technical definition of recession -- follows recent tentative signs of recovery.

Treasurer Paul Keating told a news conference the figures confirmed the economy was technically in recession, but the government had been forced to slow growth in demand to curb imports.

It was the "recession that Australia had to have," he said.

However the figures showed imports up by 8.4 percent while exports were flat.

He told journalists the government "believes the economy has now reached its low point" and the outlook for 1991 is far more encouraging.

"In terms of output it is entirely probable that the worst impact of this recession is in fact past."

The September quarter may have been the quarter which was hardest hit, Mr. Keating said.

The figures showed the economy contracted 1.6 percent in the September quarter following a revised 0.4 percent fall in the June quarter.

Analysts said the most worrying statistic for the government was the surge in imports which contributed in large measure to lowering real gross domestic product (GDP) by more than the most pessimistic expectations.

Market forecasts had ranged from a fall of 1.0 percent to a rise of 0.3 per cent in the September quarter.

Phil O'Sullivan, economist at Barclays de Zoete Wedd Australia, said: "The rise in imports must be of continuing concern to the government. It's inexplicable."

Said Jeff Schubert, economist at HongkongBank Australia: "The rise in imports means that the current account remains a worry and it's not going to go away."

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#90333d5090 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (NOV. 29) - The Lebanese government has set Monday as a new deadline for its Greater Beirut plan to deploy the regular army in and around a militia-free capital, officials said Thursday.

"The army's deployment in Greater Beirut will be completed Monday," Information Minister Edmond Rizk said after a cabinet session late Wednesday.

The original deadline for Lebanese Army units backed by Syrian troops to be deployed throughout the region was November 19. But the move had been delayed because of objections from the main Christian militia, the Lebanese Forces (LF).

LF chief Samir Geagea reaffirmed Thursday that he was committed to the withdrawal of his fighters and arsenal. The pull-out from Christian east Beirut will be completed by the end of the week, he said.

The militia has since last Saturday withdrawn more than 1,000 tonnes of ammunition, according to the LF, and the delay in implementing the Greater Beirut plan was due to "purely to technical reasons."

The plan, covering a region of 350 square kilometres (140 square miles) in and around the capital, aims to reunify Beirut under government control after 15 years of bitter division into Christian and Moslem sectors.

Shiite Moslem and Druze militias have already announced their withdrawal from the mainly Moslem western sector of Beirut and its southern suburbs.

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#90333d5130 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 29) - Indian troops Thursday pursued a sweep against separatist guerrillas in Assam, a day after New Delhi sacked the government of the northeastern state for failing to put down a growing insurgency.

Hundreds of army soldiers, backed by paramilitary forces, continued their hunt for members of the outlawed United Liberation Front of Assam (ULFA) who were said to have gone underground, reports said.

Security forces also took over all vital installations across the oil-rich state, ringed government offices and virtually sealed off possible escape routes to neighbouring Burma, newspapers here said.

ULFA militants reportedly fired at an army column that stormed a recently abandoned rebel camp, The Hindu newspaper said in a report from Assam, without specifying if there were any casualties.

The army had arrested at least 37 ULFA members by Wednesday evening. Authorities called out the army shortly after declaring the entire state of 22 million people a "disturbed area" late Tuesday.

Simultaneously, New Delhi suspended the Assam legislature, which was controlled by the regional Asom Gana Parishad (AGP), and outlawed the ULFA and the National Socialist Council of Nagaland (NSCN).

A federal government spokesman here accused the ULFA of running training camps

in cooperation with Burmese guerrillas and the NSCN, which is campaigning for a tribal homeland in the neighbouring state of Nagaland.

To back up the army and prevent possible protests by AGP supporters, the state government banned assemblies of four or more people in Kamrup, Nagaon and Dibrugarh districts - all ULFA strongholds.

The army operation was aimed at "restoring law and order and ensuring that the people do not have to live in fear by ULFA cadres," the spokesman said.

The Assam government's sacking and subsequent security measures drew a mixed response from leading newspapers here, with some warning it could only worsen the situation in the province.

"The Assamese so far have only been deprived of the benefit of a good government. Now they will be victims of the process of alienation," The Tribune newspaper said.

It compared Assam to the troubled states of Punjab and Kashmir, both of which are also under federal rule.

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#90333d5210 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 29) - Hitachi, Ltd. said Thursday its consolidated net profit rose 13 percent from a year earlier to 115 billion yen (830 million dollars) in the six months to September.

The country's top comprehensive electric machinery manufacturer said sales of its group covering 726 companies advanced 10 percent to 3,830 billion yen (27.8 billion dollars).

Sales of information systems and electroncs, consumer products and materials power scored double-digit gains. Sales grew at a slower pace for power and industrial systems.

Exports jumped 21 percent 948 billion yen (6.9 billion dollars), accounting for 25 percent of total sales.

For the year to March, the company forecast a net profit of 230 billion yen (1.7 billion dollars) on sales of 7,670 bllion yen (55.6 billion dollars).

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#90333d5840 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 29) - The winter meeting of the executive committee of the International Cocoa Organisation (ICCO) which is to take place in London on December 3-5 will deal mainly with routine business, an ICCO spokeswoman said

here Thursday.

Angela Pryor said that the main issue would be the ICCO's accomodation. The lease on its current headquarters in Berners Street, London (a building it shares with the International Coffee Organisation) expires in May 1991.

Ms Pryor said the ICCO was currently negotiating with the leaseholder, the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (MAFF), over the renewal of the lease.

If these negotiations were unsuccessful Ms Pryor said that ICCO would have to find a new headquarters.

The Dutch authorities have expressed an interest in the ICCO moving to the Netherlands, although few details had as yet been given, she said.

Apart from the accomodation discussion, the executive committee meeting will feature working groups on issues of stocks, research and promotion.

The ICCO suspended its market-support operations in February 1988 due to financial difficulties and internal divisions. Since then it has played a primarily administrative role and is currently expanding its research and information functions.

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#90333d5980 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (NOV. 29) - Pakistan Wednesday received 32 used Mirage jets out of 50 it bought from Australia, newspapers here reported Thursday.

The sale of the 50 used Mirage III fighters to Pakistan for 36 million Australian dollars (27 million U.S) prompted loud protest earlier this year from India, with which Pakistan has fought three wars in the past 43 years.

As war clouds loomed over the subcontinent last spring with an intensification of the Moslem separatist movement in the Indian-held part of the disputed Kashmir state, Australia said the shipment would be delayed in case hostilities broke out between the two neighbours.

India meanwhile is equipping its air force with the Soviet MiG-29 fighter bomber.

Newspapers quoting Australian High Commissioner G.J. Price said the remaining 18 aircraft will be delivered to Pakistan shortly.

The French-designed Mirages being sold to Pakistan were phased out of the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) and the diplomat said the sale contract also provides for the supply of spare parts.

The deal was part of Pakistan's efforts to beef up its air force. The arrival of the first batch of 32 planes was seen a significant development as it followed suspension of the delivery of 60 multi-role F-16 aircraft Washington had sold to Pakistan.

President George Bush's failure last month to certify to the U.S. Congress that Pakistan did not possess a nuclear device, led to the freeze in Washington's military and economic assistance to Islamabad.

Pakistan's armed forces traditionally rely on military supplies from the United States and the ban has caused strains in Islamabad-Washington relations.

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#90333d6030 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 29) - Japan's Asahi Glass Co. said Thursday it would acquire a 40 percent stake in the sheet glass division of the largest glass producer in Czechoslovakia.

The Belgian subsidiary of Asahi, Japan's largest comprehensive glass manufacturer, will invest an unspecified sum in the state-run Sklo Union, with an option to increase its stake up to 65 percent.

Annual sales of Sklo Union, whose products include sheet glass and glass tableware, are estimated at around 128 million dollars.

Asahi Glass's consolidated sales totaled 1,093 billion yen (eight billion dollars) in the business year to December 1989.

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#90333d6040 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUISBURG, Germany (NOV. 29) - The German Kloeckner-Werke steel, tools and plastics group on Thursday reported a 3.9 percent increase in consolidated sales for the year to September to 8.031 billion Deutschemarks (5.3 billion dollars) and said that profits were good.

The company said that it was resuming payment of a dividend for the first time for 15 years and was able to strengthen its reserves.

At the end of September the company employed 34,808 people throughout the world which was 15.7 percent more than a year earlier, as a result of takeovers.

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#90333d6060 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 29) - The British Johnson Matthey precious metals and chemicals firm Johnson Matthey on Thursday reported a fall of three percent in half-time pre-tax profits to 32.5 million pounds (64 million dollars) from 33.5 million pounds in the same period of last year.

Sales fell by seven per cent to 144.6 million pounds from 155.5 million pounds and profits per share fell from 13.8 pence to 11.8 pence. The interim dividend was set at three pence, up from 2.5 pence.

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#90333d6090 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 29) - Shares in Barclays Bank, the leading British bank, lost 10 pence to 372 pence on Thursday after the company warned that the size of its bad debts continued to grow because of difficult economic conditions.

The bank also announced that it was bidding 111 million pounds (217 million dollars) to buy minorities holdings in its broking subsidiary Barclays de Zoete Wedd Holdings (BZW).

These interests account for eight percent of voting rights and 14.4 per- cent of BZW net assets.

The warning of worsening bank debts confirmed fears in the City of the damage being done to banks by the current economic slowdown.

But the bank, which is recognised as being strongly capitalised, said that it was confident that it could withstand current difficulties.

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#90333d6110 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 29) - British military aircraft manufacturer British Aerospace is to cut 4,500 jobs and end production at two aircraft plants due to the worldwide squeeze on arms spending, according to reports in the British press Thursday.

Shares in British Aerospace lost seven pence to 524 pence on the reports Thursday.

According to the Independent, the job losses will be announced to the 26,000 workers at British Aerospace's six military aircraft sites on Monday.

Plants at Kingston, on the outskirts of London, and Preston, north-west England, are expected to be run down over a two to three year period with job losses mainly taking the form of natural wastage or voluntary redundancy.

British Aerospace has been severely hit by the post cold war arms decline in

arms spending.

In June the Royal Air Force cancelled its order for 33 Tornado combat aircraft leading to the loss of 800 jobs at the Warton plant near Preston.

Recent weeks have seen speculation suggesting the 15-20 billion pound order for 48 Tornadoes from Saudi Arabia was in danger as the United States now seems likely to authorize increased arms sales to the kingdom.

Analysts have described the Gulf crisis as providing only slight support for the worldwide arms market, in which there is said to be large surpluses of both stocks and production.

British Aerospace was not commenting on the reports.

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#90333d6250 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 29) - Eighteen major Japanese trading firms' exports on a contract basis dropped 0.9 percent from a year earlier but imports jumped 17.5 percent in October, an industry group said Thursday.

Their contracted exports totaled 813.5 billion yen (6.3 billion dollars) in October, while imports were valued at 1,076.4 billion yen (8.3 billion dollars), the Japan Foreign Trade Council said.

The 18 trading houses account for some 60 percent of Japan's total foreign trade.

Exports to China jumped 21.0 percent to 32.3 billion yen (248.5 million dollars), while imports from that country soared 86.3 percent to 42.3 billion yen (325.4 million dollars), the council said.

It said that exports to the Middle East dropped 2.4 percent to 28.9 billion yen (222.3 million dollars) but imports rose 50.7 percent mainly due to increased crude oil prices to 153.1 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars).

Exports to Southeast Asia went up 7.9 percent to 280.3 billion yen (2.2 billion dollars), while imports jumped 36.7 percent to 281.3 billion yen (2.2 billion dollars), the council formed by trading firms said.

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#90333d6340 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUXEMBURG (NOV. 29) - A huge international operation to track down "laundered" Colombian drug money has led to the seizure of some 55 million dollars in more than 100 bank accounts across Europe, the United States and in Panama, court sources here and in Paris said Thursday.

The operation was extended to at least 12 other countries after the arrest of three Colombians in Luxemburg last July, the sources said.

Since then, some 35 to 40 million dollars have been seized in different European banks, including a "small part" found in Luxemburg accounts, while another 15 million was frozen in accounts in the United States and Panama, according to the sources here.

The three Colombians arrested last summer are Franklin Jurado, a Luxemburg resident since 1987 who also maintained a residence in France, and Edgar Garcia Montillo and Ricardo Maheja Bustos, both of whom were on visit here at the time.

Judge Arrensdorff, the magistrate presiding over the affair in Luxemburg,

said the three were suspected of involvement in the whitewashing operation. He said he was certain that Mr. Jurado was part of the Colombian Cali drug cartel and believed the two others were too.

He said he hoped to bring the affair to court in early 1991.

The investigation was triggered in France in 1989 when authorities ordered an audit of the records of the Banque Industrielle de Monaco after one of its senior figures committed suicide during a fraud investigation at the bank.

French customs agents then discovered suspicious accounts that had been opened by Mr. Jurado and other Colombians, the Paris sources said.

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#90333d6350 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Frankfurt (NOV. 29) - Dresdner Bank, Germany's second biggest commercial financial institute, expects its overall earnings in 1990 to decline but still remaining robust amid the huge effort now being made to build up business in the former East Germany.

Dresdner Bank chairman Wolfgang Roeller called the effort being made in eastern Germany an ''unparalleled act of strength''.

The bank this year had built up a network of 107 branches serving 340,000 private customers and 13,000 corporate clients in the former East Germany, giving Dresdner a strong market share there.

''All in all, despite all the turbulence we expect 1990 to show good results again,'' Roeller said, even though the operating results were expected to be ''somewhat lower'' than those last year.

In the first ten months, the world group partial operating result - which does not include stock trading on the bank's own account - increased 3.3 per cent to 1.57 billion marks (1.05 billion dollars). The parent bank accounted for 964.1 million marks, up 12.1 percent on the same period of 1989.

The group's balance sheet after ten months totalled 280 billion marks, up 11.4 percent, with the parent bank's balance sheet rising 14 percent to 161.5 billion marks.

Besides the investment costs in the former East Germany, Roeller said earning results were affected by the stock market slump which had forced the bank to revise downwards the value of its share and bond holdings.

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#90333d6450 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bonn (NOV. 29) - The German Transportation Ministry confirmed here Thursday that talks were underway with the Trust Office on the sale of the former East German air carrier Interflug.

But the ministry declined to comment on a report that it had given the green light to negotiations by the West German airline Lufthansa with the Trust Office for a takeover of Interflug.

The Munich newspaper Sueddeutsche Zeitung had reported that Transportation Minister Friedrich Zimmermann proposed negotiations within the next few days between Lufthansa and the Trust Office -the body set up to privatise the former East German state-owned companies - on a takeover of Interflug.

In Frankfurt, a Lufthansa spokesman said that it had received from Zimmermann nor from the Trust Office a proposal to take up negotiations on an Interflug takeover. But Lufthansa was prepared in principle to reform and then take over the East German airline.

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#90333d6550 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (NOV. 29) - Tunisia's security services have dismantled an Islamic fundamentalist network operating in the police, the army and the Customs service, the weekly paper Realites reported Thursday.

It said 60 people had been rounded up in the past fortnight here in the capital and in the southern towns of Gabes and Gafsa, and arms and ammunition were seized.

Realites named the leader of the network as Mohamed Lahbib Lassoued, an electricity company engineer who was first detained during a 1987 crackdown on fundamentalists and freed a year later under a government amnesty.

The network is suspected of an attack on a bank van which netted 40,000 dinars (nearly 40,000 dollars).

A similar network of about 100 police and soldiers which planned to assassinate official figures and attack public buildings in a bid to overthrow the previous regime was unearthed in 1987.

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#90333d6660 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 29) - Japan is ready to lower import tariffs on leather products to meet a demand from the European Economic Community (EEC), official sources said Thursday.

A tariff reduction offer might be made to the Uruguay round of multilateral trade negotiations sponsored by the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), the sources said without specifying the margin of the cut.

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#90333d6670 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CALAIS, France (NOV. 29) - While British and French workers shake hands at the junction of the cross-Channel tunnel on Saturday, the directors of the Eurotunnel company will be seeking a way out of the financial tunnel in which they find themselves.

After the conclusion in 1993 of the "project of the century", in which 100 kilometers (60 miles) of tunnel have already been dug by immense boring machines, the underground link will have cost 15.2 billion dollars, 48 per cent higher than initial estimates.

While Saturday's handshake in the service tunnel which lies between the two railroad tunnels represents a breakthrough, it is only an intermediate stage in the project, since the two other tunnels have yet to be completed.

Nonetheless, officials of the French-British Eurotunnel company are optimistic that the "Chunnel" will be making a profit by 1997, as planned.

Eurotunnel's latest capital increase, on the order of 1.13 billion dollars, which will end on December 3 and 4.2 billion dollars in additional credit obtained from the 215 banks backing the project should leave the company spare funds for unforeseen developments.

Eurotunnel general manager Alastair Morton expects the company to pay its first dividends to investors in 1997, two years before the original date of 1999, and expects the bonuses to come to around 58 million dollars.

"Let's be serious," one financial analyst said. "A miscalculation of ten per cent on operating results... and the bonuses will be postponed indefinitely."

The company's plans for attaining profitability are still unclear, since Eurotunnel directors, in order to avoid tipping off the competition, have been secretive about the prices they intend to charge.

"We are not saying that we will be less expensive than the others, but we are introducing a new competitive factor which should lower the overall market price," said one official.

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#90333d6720 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Kathmandu (NOV. 29) - Japan is to give Nepal a grant of 29 million dollars for socio-economic projects under four agreements signed here Thursday by Japanese ambassador Kazuaki Arichi and acting Nepalese Finance Secretary Shashi Narayan Shah.

Japan is Nepal's biggest aid donor. Under the agreements, 10.07 million dollars will go to building a basic medical science building and other facilities at the Tribhuvan University teaching hospital.

Another 9.7 million dollars go to building water supply facilities in urban and semi-urban areas, 6.88 million for rebuilding six bridges in the Kathmandu Valley and 2.34 million for developing natural water fisheries.

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#90333d6890 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (NOV. 29) - Namibia and Germany on Thursday signed a document for 170 million rands (68 million dollars) in aid to begin flowing into the world's newest independent nation.

The agreement was signed by Namibia's Director General of the National Planning Committee, Zed Ngavire, and Germany's Director for Southern Africa in the Federal Ministry for Economic Co-operation, Rainer Barthelt.

Mr. Ngavire said 75 percent of the aid would be in the form of grants for social-orientated and self-help projects while some 42 million rands (16.8 million dollars) was in the form of soft loans where priority would be given to the protection of the country's territorial waters.

On Tuesday, five Spanish trawler skippers were arrested off the Namibian coast after they were caught fishing illegally in Namibia's 200-mile Exclusive Economic Zone.

Namibia became the world's newest independent nation when it gained

independence from South Africa on March 21 this year.

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#90333d6920 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUXEMBOURG (NOV. 29) - Prices in the European Economic Community (EEC) rose by 6.3 percent during the last 12 months, and this was the highest level since 1985, mainly because of the Gulf crisis, the EEC Eurostat statistical office reported on Thursday.

Since the beginning of the Gulf crisis, prices have risen by two percent in three months. In October the average inflation rate in the 12 EEC countries was 0.7 percent.

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#90333d6990 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (NOV. 29) - A blast in Pakistan's main gas field has brought many factories to a halt and dealt a serious blow to the country's new government and the economy, already hit by the effects of the Gulf crisis.

Industry sources said Thursday that more than 300 mills and factories were closed in Punjab's industrial city of Faisalabad following the blast late Wednesday in the Sui gas fields, 400 kilometres (250 miles) east of Quetta in the southwestern province of Baluchistan.

Another 173 factories, including three sugar mills, a fertilizer plant, a cement factory and 150 textile processing and printing combines, were affected in Karachi where 7,000 workers were laid off, they said.

Officials said three people were killed fighting the fire which broke out after the blast at a purification plant while some 70 workers were injured.

Unofficial figures put the toll at five dead.

Officials said an inquiry has been ordered into the blast which was the first in the gas field's 40-year history. Pending the outcome of the probe they said they could not rule out the possibility of sabotage.

A Sui Gas Co. directive recommended that Karachi Steel Mills, Electric Supply Corp. and dozens of textile mills switch over to oil as gas supplies were expected to remain cut for some time.

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, who took office earlier this month, sent a delegation led by Petroleum and Natural Resources Minister Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan to assess the damage caused to the gas field and armed with orders to undertake repair work immediately.

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#90333d7020 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 29) - A Bulgarian trade mission arrived in South Africa on Thursday for top-level meetings to organize bilateral trade, a spokeswoman for the mission said.

She said her country was looking for new technology to replace its outdated systems.

She added that countries which set up joint ventures with Bulgaria would have access to formerly closed markets.

The seven-member mission was hoping for agreements in the fields of pharmaceutical and chemical products, mining equipment, telecommunications, electronics, computers and household appliances.

Other areas include light and heavy engineering equipment, agriculture, minerals and geology.

The mission leaves South Africa on December 2.

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#90333d7230 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 29) - Ministers of 107 industrial and developing nations are to meet here next Monday for a crucial attempt to set a more liberal and orderly course for world trade into the 21st century as the global economy appears headed for uncharted territory.

Senior Western economists and trade experts say it is still impossible to measure to what extent the future shape of world economic, financial and trading relations will be affected by recent dramatic changes in the geopolitical outlook.

The end to four decades of East-West political, military and economic confrontation, brought on by the collapse of communism in eastern Europe, and other signs of change make it still more urgent to consolidate "the rule of law" in global economic relations, they say.

The week-long Brussels ministerial conference has been called to conclude four years of complex negotiations, known as the Uruguay Round, to free up trade which has been the locomotive of growth in the West since World War II.

The proclaimed aim is to secure world-wide growth, jobs and prosperity by updating and strengthening the rules and disciplines embodied in the 42-year old General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) and extending them to new areas such as the fast-expanding service sector.

However, with only a few days to go to the agreed December 7 deadline, the outcome remains in doubt, senior trade negotiators concede.

A major clash over agricultural trade reform involving the trade superpowers - the United States, the European Economic Community (EEC) and Japan - has brought the enterprise to the brink of collapse in the run-up to the Brussels ministerial session.

The focus on farm issues has tended to obscure the importance of other basic problems underlying the talks, senior trade negotiators agree.

Roughly half the volume of world trade, which totalled a record 3,100 billion dollars last year is in one way or another affected by import curbs.

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#90333d7440 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Brussels (NOV. 29) - Consumer prices in the 12-nation European Community (E.C.) shot up 0.7 percent in October from September to reach an average annual inflation rate of 6.3 percent, the Office of Statistics said here Thursday.

The inflation rates in October ranged between Denmark (2.7 percent), the Netherlands (2.9 percent) and Germany (3.3 percent) at the lower end of the scale to Portugal (14.4 percent) and Greece (22.3 percent) at the top of the list, the E.C. said.

E.C. Financial Commissioner Henning Christophersen noted that in the three months since the Gulf crisis started, prices had risen by two percent.

''This is a clear warning. We must keep a close watch so that we can control inflation and keep our economy in good order,'' Christophersen said.

He noted that in the United States and Japan, prices had increased by even more, 2.4 percent, since the Gulf crisis.

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#90333d7480 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PHNOM PENH (NOV. 29) - Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen said Thursday his army was ready to counter any military offensive by the Khmer Rouge notably against the temple of Angkor Wat.

The premier said his government continued to respect the principle of military self-restraint called for in past agreements and had no intention of launching any offensives against the guerrillas, who control territory along the western and northwestern borders with Thailand.

But he said the Phnom Penh army was ready to counter-attack if assaulted by the Khmer Rouge. "We believe that our army has the ability to protect the population," he added.

He was responding to reporters' questions about his government's readiness to deal with Khmer Rouge attacks, specifically on the 12th century Angkor Wat and other temples in northwest Cambodia.

Khmer Rouge sources in Thailand said Monday that guerrillas were preparing to attack the provincial capital of Siem Reap, a few kilometres (miles) from the famous Angkor temple complexes.

They said the attacks would be launched if an international conference on Cambodia ends without a peaceful solution.

The Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge are the most powerful guerrilla force in the resistance. They ruled the country from 1975 until Vietnam ousted them in early 1979.

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#90333d7490 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Tokyo (NOV. 29) - Finance industry experts say recent mergers of Japanese banks are the sign of a further wave of consolidation in the banking sector - in particular among less competitive smaller local banks.

The Japanese banking industry is now confronted with the task of reorganising to cope with the upcoming deregulation of the financial markets.

Banks, also faced with investment requirements for computerised retail banking service and increasing fund-raising costs, face a ''cold winter'' of tougher competition, a major Tokyo-based city bank official warns.

Recent merger annoucement by two smaller city banks - Kyowa Bank and Saitama Bank - reflects part of the trend in the banking industry to consolidate, say finance industry sources.

Kyowa Bank, the country's tenth largest, and Saitama Bank, ranked eleventh,

in their November 13 announcement said their merger next April would make them the eighth biggest bank in terms of outstanding deposits of 23 trillion yen (177 billion dollars).

Last April, two top Japanese commercial banks - Mitsui Bank and Taiyo Kobe Bank - merged to form Mitsui Taiyo Kobe Bank which became the largest bank in Japan and the second biggest in the world with assets of 63.34 trillion yen (498 billion dollars).

Competition among Japanese banks will to get severer due to the growing pace of deregulation in which banks will be forced to offer higher deposit rates, adding to the cost of funds, experts add.

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#90333d7500 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

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He repeated that the independence of this body "cannot be seen without a form of inter-dependence with strong economic government".

The success of economic and monetary union was "conditioned by the existence of an economic authority".

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#90333d7630 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 29) - President Saddam Hussein on Thursday authorised 15 elderly and ill British hostages to return home with their departure expected to take place Saturday, British diplomats here said.

Mr. Hussein's decision was taken after talks here with British Labour Party MP Tony Benn, who later left Iraq at the end of a two-day visit.

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#90333d7660 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Helsinki (NOV. 29) - Soviet oil exports to Finland will diminish about 30 percent this year as the country is unable to meet the agreed delivery agreements, the Finnish state-owned oil company Neste said here Thursday.

Neste and the Soviet Union had earlier agreed on deliveries of 8.5 million tonnes of crude oil this year. Now Neste estimates the deliveries will reach about 6 million tons.

Finland has traditionally imported most of its oil from the Soviet Union. Last year Soviet oil accounted for 90 percent of Finnish consumption, but now Finland must buy two to three million tons of oil from Western markets and the Gulf area, Neste said.

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#90333d7720 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (NOV. 29) - State-owned Italian industrial group IRI said Thursday it plans to build toll motorways in the former territory of East Germany, provided it gets the go-ahead from the Bonn government.

IRI President Franco Nobili said the group's subsidiary, Autostrade International, was putting together the project with a Frankfurt-based civil engineering firm, Philip Holzmann.

"We are especially interested in building a link between Halle and Magdeburg," a stretch that would be about 150 kilometers (95 miles) long, he told a press conference.

At present, all motorways in Germany are free. But billions of Deutsche marks (dollars) are needed to renovate and extend the network in the east.

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#90333d7780 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUDAPEST (NOV. 29) - State holdings in Hungarian companies should fall below

50 percent within three to four years, the president of the Hungarian agency for privatisation, Lajos Csepi, told parliament on Thursday.

Since March 1, the agency had handled privatisation of 42 state companies worth 50.5 billion forints (820 million dollars), he said.

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#90333d7900 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bonn (NOV. 29) - It will be up to the European Community (E.C.) to make a move towards solving the farm subsidy cut dispute in the ''Uruguay Round'' of trade liberalisation talks if a new agreement is to be reached, a top German official said here Thursday.

Lorenz Schomerus, the Bonn Economics Ministry chief negotiator in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) talks, said he hoped next week's final ministerial round would set a ''clear political direction'' so that details of a new world trade treaty could be hammered out at the experts level by next February.

The Gatt final conference takes place December 3 to 7 in Brussels.

Schomerus said the E.C. will have to move toward the U.S. position regarding cuts in farm subsidies.

''It is difficult to imagine that there will be any results without the E.C. changing position,'' Schomerus said.

He was referring to the deadlock over farm subsidies, in which the E.C. has proposed a 30 percent cut by 1996, far below the 75 percent demanded by the U.S. and other major food exporting nations.

Schomerus said that a lot was at stake for the E.C. in the world trade talks. Whereas agriculture makes up only 2.2 percent of the Community's economic might, the services sector, which also is to be liberalised under the new accord, accounts for nearly 50 percent.

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#90333d8020 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 29) - Elf Aquitaine on Thursday confirmed that it had made one of its biggest oil finds in Nigeria, off the southeast coast.

Tests carried out by well head Amenam 1, on block number OPL 93, had shown betwen 2,000 and 3,000 barrels a day of light crude.

Elf, which holds the permit to drill, is associated with the Nigerian NNPC company.

Further work would be necessary to evaluate the reserves, but the find appeared to be one of the biggest achieved by NNPCElf during the last 10 years the company said.

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#90333d8070 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV 29) - A united Nations Security Council resolution setting Iraq a January 15 deadline to pull out of Kuwait will be one more chance to avoid war a Soviet spokesman said here Thursday.

Yuri Gremitskih, deputy foreign ministry spokesman, said: ''The world community will not exercise any additional pressure on Iraq during the goodwill pause.'' This was provided Baghdad was not to blame for any worsening of the situation.

The resolution, scheduled to be put to the vote later Thursday in New York, is expected to threaten the use of force for only the second time in the history of Security Council peacemaking.

With the Americans anticipating at least 11 votes in favour out of the 15 that can be cast, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker spent Wednesday evening and Thursday morning in last-minute consultations with other Security Council members.

Both Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen and Cuban Foreign Minister Isidoro Malcierca were non-committal at their meetings with Baker. The Cubans, who are normally given a cold shoulder by the Americans, unexpectedly requested changes to the draft resolution.

The Cubans had originally been expected to pronounce a flat no.

''We are currently in the process of consultations to get a resolution that will receive wide support,'' said Malcierca.

One Security Council member, Yemen, has already promised to vote no. U.S. diplomats said Cuba might still vote no, while China and Malaysia might abstain. However Malaysia was shifting in the direction of assent, the diplomats said.

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#90333d8080 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 29) - The privatisation of land was at the centre of heated debate in the Russian congress for the third successive day Thursday, an AFP correspondent reported.

A wide difference of opinion between supporters and opponents of privatisation was evident, and one leading personality even warned against "colonisation" of the country.

Soviet deputy Vassili Starodubtsev, the president of the Soviet peasants' union who is strongly opposed to privatisation of land, said that "despite the promises of some people, private agriculture is incapable of resolving the problems of providing food".

He said that privatisation would amount to "the blessing, the legalisation of the road towards widespread speculation in land".

Stressing that peasants did not have any money with which to buy land, he estimated that privatisation would benefit only the "shadow economy" and "foreign capital".

He added that "land around big cities and industrial centres will be bought by foreigners who will then have accomplished the quiet colonisation of the country".

Deputy Yuri Chernichenko, a journalist known for his outspoken support for liberalisation of the economy, said that the food aid which was to arrive from aboard represented "shame" for the Soviet economy.

He then quoted from several recent opinion polls carried out in the Soviet Union, and particularly in Tver, formerly Kalinin north of Moscow, and in Saratov on the banks of the Volga, showing that a big majority of people favoured privatisation of land.

The Prime Minister of Russia Ivan Silaev, told the Russian congress on Tuesday that up to 20 per cent of farm workers were inclined to launch themselves into private enterprise, but that they had doubts about the stability of the legal situation applying to private property.

Mr. Silaev was due on Friday to draw the conclusion of the debate before the congress, and the Soviet assembly was due to vote on the matter towards mid-day.

Mr. Silaev told journalists that the main opposition to agrarian reform came from "former officials and current managers of collective farms".

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#90333d8180 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV. 29) - A total of 1,707 Jewish immigrants from the Soviet Union and Ethiopia have arrived in Israel in the past 24 hours with 3,000 more expected by Saturday, sources close to the Integration Ministry said Thursday.

The Soviet Jews outnumbered the other immigrants with 1,600 coming from Moscow against 107 arriving from Addis Ababa.

The sources stressed that a total of 30,000 Jewish immigrants -- most of them from the Soviet Union -- have settled in Israel in November, in the largest number of newcomers for a single month this year.

In October, 26,000 immigrants from the Soviet Union arrived in Israel -- 4,000 more than in September.

Around 150,000 Soviet Jews have settled in Israel since January and officials expect some 300,000 to arrive in 1991.

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#90333d8210 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (NOV. 29) - Eight Americans, six of them Amerindians from Ohio, arrived here Thursday en route to Baghdad where they will perform "prayers for peace in the world", a member of the delegation said.

Jim Fry, a farmer from Ohio, told Agence France-Presse that the group also asked to "pray with King Hussein of Jordan as we highly respect his efforts for global peace".

"We asked the Iraqis in October to let us visit Baghdad and pray for peace," Mr. Fry said. "The Iraqi authorities agreed immediately."

The delegation will leave Friday for Baghdad where they "expect to meet Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and pray with him for peace to prevail worldwide," Mr. Fry said.

He did not say how many days the delegation would remain in Iraq or whether it will seek the release of U.S. hostages held there.

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#90333d8220 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (NOV. 29) - The Vietnamese government has authorised establishment of a Vietnamese-Japanese joint venture to produce turpentine for export over 10 years, the official Nhan Dan newspaper said Thursday.

The venture links up a forestry company from Quang Ninh province in Vietnam's northeast with Tokyo company MENKA-KAISHA Ltd., Nhan Dan said.

Production is expected to start in 1991, said the newspaper, the official organ of the Vietnamese Communist Party, without giving further details.

Meanwhile, the Japanese-Vietnamese Chamber of Commerce and the Vietnamese

Chamber of Commerce and Industry announced a Japanese trade fair to be held here from December 1-10.

About 15 companies would be represented, the two organisations said. Previous Japanese trade fairs were held in 1979 and 1985.

Nhan Dan said the displays would include cars, cameras and office equipment, and the wares would be sold at between 20 percent and 50 percent lower than Japanese prices.

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#90333d8330 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 29) - The United States is ready to offer humanitarian aid to the Soviet Union as Germany is doing, but has yet to receive any request for such aid, officials said Thursday.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said, "We do want to be helpful," adding, "there has been no request at this point."

Mr. Fitzwater referred to the "very generous response" on Germany's part to Soviet requests, noting "we would be willing to help if we can."

President George Bush said last week in Paris at a meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev that he was "open" to the idea of U.S. humanitarian aid to the Soviet Union if it was truly necessary and requested.

Asked whether the U.S. believed such aid necessary now in light of food shortages in the Soviet Union, Mr. Fitzwater said the judgement was not for the U.S. to make given that no request for aid had been received.

The United States legally can supply the Soviet Union with humanitarian aid including food and medicine. All other forms of assistance are forbidden by the Jackson-Vanik ammendment which cannot be lifted until the Soviet Union adopts a more liberal emigration policy.

Such legislation is stalled in the Soviet parliament.

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#90333d8390 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 29) - France has agreed to supply Saudi Arabia with Crotale anti-aircraft missiles worth more than three billion francs (600 million dollars) according to the French newspaper Le Monde.

It is the largest sale of French weaponry to Saudi Arabia since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2, according to a report in the Friday edition of the paper.

The Sofresa organisation, which is subordinate to the French Defence Ministry, has sold Riyadh arms worth 12 billion francs since the beginning of this year.

The Crotale missiles have a range of some 10 kilometres. French troops stationed in the Gulf are also equipped with the weapons.

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#90333d8420 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV. 29) - The Paris Bourse managed a small gain on Thursday, as the CAC-40 stock price index finished 0.56 percent higher on the day, thanks to the firmness of a few key issues such as Peugeot, Michelin and Thomson-CSF.

The Bourse was weak at the start of the day in dull trading, which operators said was due to a total absence of news affecting the market.

Wall Street's recent irregularity had no influence on the Bourse.

Volume finally reached 1.3 billion francs (260 million dollars) for the session thanks to substantial exchanges of a few major issues.

Peugeot rose by 1.7 percent to 538 francs, with 240,000 shares changing hands. Michelin jumped 6.4 percent on 402,000 shares, and Thomson-CSF 3.8 per cent on 575,000.

Operators said the latter was on the point of signing a contract with Saudi Arabia.

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#90333d8440 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 29) - President Saddam Hussein on Thursday ruled out his country's acceptance of a United Nations vote expected to authorise the use of force against Baghdad failing the Iraqi evacuation of Kuwait.

"Iraq will not bend before the storm," said Mr. Hussein, reiterating his country's refusal to evacuate Kuwait, which Iraq invaded on August 2.

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#90333d8480 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (NOV 29) - Bank Negara, Malaysia's central bank, said Thursday it will seek a waiver from the takeover and mergers panel from making a mandatory general offer for shares in Bank of Commerce that it does not already own.

Bank Negara will own a 42.3 percent stake in the bank through a share-swap arrangement arising from sale of its 78.5 percent stake in another commercial bank, United Asian Bank (UAB), to Bank of Commerce.

The central bank acquired the UAB stake, which represented its entire shareholding in the bank, in 1986 as a result of its efforts to rescue UAB from bad loan losses.

The sale to Bank of Commerce was necessary to complete the rescue, bank Negara said.

The agreement, signed Thursday, provides for Bank of Commerce to issue 79,847,655 new shares of one dollar (37 U.S. cents) each in exchange for the 359,314,448 UAB shares of one dollar each.

Bank Negara said last month that it had identified a buyer for its Bank of Commerce shares but did not name the buyer.

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LONDON (NOV. 29) - Zinc fell to a new contract low in after-hours kerb trading on the London Metal Exchange (LME) Thursday.

Three-month zinc was quoted at 1,228 dollars per ton on the kerb against 1,238 at the official close and 1,244 dollars Wednesday.

The fall confounded those analysts who had predicted that the market had bottomed out. Other analysts suggested that the fundamentals of growing production and declining demand would take the metal down as far as 1,150 dollars.

Copper recovered from the two-and-a-half-year low recorded Wednesday. On the kerb it was quoted at 1,284 pounds per ton against 1,280 pounds on the afternoon ring and 1,264 Wednesday.

Analysts said copper firmed because recent selling had been overdone.

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TEHERAN (NOV 29) - Iranian President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani on Thursday said his country supported United Nations resolutions on the Gulf crisis, hours before a crucial Security Council vote on the use of force against Iraq.

Mr. Rafansjani, cited by official Teheran Radio, said however that Iran wished to see a "peaceful settlement" to the crisis triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

The Iranian president, who was receiving visiting Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Vladimir Petrovski, reaffirmed Iran's position for an "unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait."

He also warned that war in the Gulf "would not be to anyone advantage."

Mr. Petrovski delivered a message to Mr. Rafsanjani from his Soviet counterpart Mikhail Gorbachev dealing with "the latest developments in the Gulf,

Moscow's position on (Thursday's) Security Council meeting and the recent visit to Moscow by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz," the radio said.

The Soviet envoy arrived here Wednesday on what he said was a final attempt by the Soviet Union to explore the prospects for a peaceful settlement of the Gulf crisis with regional states.

Mr. Petrovski, who earlier this month toured several Arab countries on one of two Soviet missions to the region, warned that the "danger of war was serious."

He also expressed hope that the United States, which is leading a 350,000-strong multinational force deployed in the Gulf region, will pull out its troops from the area at the end of the conflict.

The U.N. Security Council was Thursday to vote on a resolution authorising the use of force to end Iraq's nearly four-month-old occupation of Kuwait.

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#90333d8600 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) - A dues cheque of 186 million dollars was handed over to the United Nations Thursday by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker.

U.N. spokesman Francois Giuliani said Baker, who was to chair a Security Council meeting later in the day, handed over the money to Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

The money is part of the regular U.S. contribution to the U.N. budget. Despite the payment, the United States still owes the world organisation more money than any other country. Based on the latest dues figures, the U.S. arrears are nearly 300 million dollars.

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#90333d8630 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 29) - President Saddam Hussein on Thursday ruled out his country's acceptance of a United Nations vote expected to authorise the use of force against Iraq to secure its evacuation from Kuwait.

"Iraq will not bend before the storm," said Mr. Hussein, reiterating his country's refusal to evacuate Kuwait, which Iraq invaded on August 2 and subsequently annexed.

Speaking to a conference on Arab youth, Mr. Hussein said: "If war were imposed

on Iraq, the Iraqis will fight in a way that will honour Arabs and Moslems."

"The Iraqi people ... are determined not to bend before any form or source of injustice," said Mr. Hussein.

He also questioned why U.N. resolutions on the Palestinian issue had not been implemented and why the U.N. failed to declare an economic embargo against Israel similar to the one it imposed on Iraq after its invasion of Kuwait.

Earlier, Iraq's official newspaper Ath-Thawra described the U.S.-sponsored U.N. vote -- which Washington is confident will pass -- as a "declaration of war" and said Iraq rejected it.

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#90333d8680 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAPE TOWN (NOV. 29) - A meeting of South Africa's black leaders concluded Thursday that ''the vicious system of apartheid'' was the root cause of factional violence in the country.

A joint statement issued after a six-hour meeting called by Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu said the characterisation of township violence as ''black-on-black'' was a ''racist ploy''.

''We believe that a third force, including at least elements of the government's security forces, are stoking violence to sabotage the initiatives for a democratic society,'' the statement said.

The black liberation movement, the African National Congress (Anc), and its largest rival, the Pan Africanist Congress (Pac), were both represented at the meeting - the Anc by its Deputy President, Nelson Mandela - as were three of South Africa's tribal homelands.

The leader of the Zulu Inkatha Freedom Party (Ifp), Mangosuthu Buthelezi, refused to attend.

Major differences came to light at the meeting, including the Pac's rejection of constitutional negotiations with the white minority government, which has engaged the Anc in peace talks.

Nevertheless, Tutu said he was amazed at the spirit that prevailed.

''They didn't scratch each other's eyes out and they were sitting within striking distance of each other.

''We're dealing with things that are far too serious. We are not playing marbles. There is the possibility of our leaders working together,'' he said.

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#90333d8810 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (NOV 29) - A South African court Thursday ordered a white supremacist-controlled town council to reopen two swimming pools it shut rather than admit blacks after a law reserving public amenities for whites only was abolished earlier this year.

The court rejected the Springs town council's contention that it had closed the pools for economic reasons, and found that its action had in fact been motivated by conservative politics.

The council had acted with ''indecent haste'' to close the pools following the scrapping of the Separate Amenities Act, which fell away in October this year.

The application for the pools to be reopened was brought by Michael Hart, a white resident of Springs, some 25 kilometres south-east of Johannesburg.

The council was ordered to pay his legal fees.

The Separate Amenities Act was introduced in 1953 and until recently was considered a pillar of apartheid, the white government's policies of racial segregation.

It became one of the first victims of State President Frederik de Klerk's reform policies.

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#90333d8850 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (NOV. 29) - Political union among European Economic Community (EEC) nations should include a joint military role, Italy suggested in a document to be discussed at an EEC summit next month in Rome.

Italy, which holds the presidency of the EEC until Decmeber 31, said in the document that Community members should also have an automatic commitment to help each other.

Diplomatic sources said the Italian ideas were clearly inspired by the Gulf crisis, because the document said the Community should be able to respond to a request from the United Nations for military intervention.

EEC leaders are to meet at a conference in Rome next month to start work on a lengthy process towards a treaty for political union. But the Italian suggestions go beyond anything discussed so far.

The document also suhhests the treaty should provide for joint arms control and the export of arms. In the non-military arena, it advocates a common EEC

citizenship.

A British source said the document represented Italy's "vision" of the final outcome of the political union debate, and was not practical in the short term. Britain is foremost among EEC critics of political union.

In London on Wednesday, the secretary-general of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO), Manfred Woerner, said that no EEC defence initiative could replace the Atlantic Alliance.

He warned in a speech that if the EEC decided to go it alone on defence, its North American allies would take this as a clear signal that their military help was no longer needed or wanted, and would withdraw their troops.

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#90333d8860 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (NOV 29) - Deputies of the so-called Group of Seven (G7) of leading industrialised countries met in the United States on Tuesday and Wednesday to study conditions for a forthcoming meeting of the seven finance ministers, a well-informed source said here on Thursday.

But scheduling problems, and the effect of the Gulf crisis and of a general election in Germany on Sunday, mean that a meeting is very unlikely to be held before the end of the year, the source said.

The main concern of finance ministers is that the dollar's weakness could turn into a collapse, although the Gulf crisis is a "a major supporting factor for the dollar" and removes the immediate danger of a dollar debacle, the source said.

The G7 countries are the United States, Japan, Germany, Britain, France, Italy and Canada.

French Economics and Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy has called publicly, on several occasions, for a G7 meeting.

He said on Monday that "The decisions made in 1987 at the Louvre meeting, which roughly laid down the trend of the parities of the European currencies, the yen and the dollar, are far behind us, and . . . no longer correspond exactly to the reality observed on the markets".

The dollar's current weakness prevents the U.S. Federal Reserve from loosening monetary policy, which would be a natural move to combat the incipient recession of the American economy. Monetary sources say the Fed plans to promote a further decline of the Federal funds rate and allow a reduction of required bank reserves. But there is no question of going any farther than that, for the time being, by lowering the discount rate.

If G7 wants to allow monetary loosening in the United States without risking setting off a dollar plunge, it must prevent an increase in German interest rates.

The Seven must also keep an eye on the trend of relationships between the yen and the main European currencies. After dropping considerably after the start of 1989, the yen made up part of the lost ground this year, to European officials' satisfaction.

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#90333d8950 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (NOV. 29) - The South African government Thursday declared a black squatter camp an ''unrest area'' and imposed a dusk-to-dawn curfew following the discovery of the bodies of nine black men axed to death in factional fighting.

The bodies were found by police Thursday morning in the Zonkisizwe shack area in the township of Katlehong, south-east of Johannesburg, where fighting between opposing political factions has claimed some 69 lives in several weeks of fighting.

Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok said the extraordinary measures - police are given wider powers in unrest areas - were aimed at ''hooligans and criminal elements who prey on law-abiding citizens''.

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#90333d9030 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ACCRA (NOV. 29) - West African support for a non-guerrilla interim government of Liberia ebbed Thursday, with the chairman of the Economic Community of West African States (Ecowas), Dawda Jawara, calling for an accomodation with the main rebel faction.

He said the composition of an interim government would have to be discussed by all parties. Ecowas has already sponsored one interim government headed by academic Amos Sawyer, and Jawara's remarks appeared to mean he no longer regarded this as effective.

In a British Broadcasting Corporation (Bbc) interview, Jawara said Sawyer's group and rebel leader Charles Taylor would have to ''get together as soon as possible to try and accommodate each other in an interim government''.

There had been confusion Wednesday after remnants loyal to the late president, Samuel Doe, and two rebel factions in the 11-month Liberian civil war signed a three-way ceasefire agreement.

A communique referred to a future interim government and Taylor said there was none. Sawyer said he was still the interim president, a claim backed by the small rebel group led by Prince Yormie Johnson.

Jawara said the West African peacekeeping force in Liberia will monitor the ceasefire.

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#90333d9090 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV 29) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said Thursday his country will fight back if attacked by U.S. troops and their allied forces in the Gulf.

He lashed out at the United Nations Security Council, saying it had become ''an obedient apparatus'' that implements U.S.-inspired hesolutions.

''In the event of war, we will fight in a way that will raise the heads of all Arabs and all Moslems,'' Saddam said in a speech during a meeting with a delegation from the Fifth Seminar of the Arab Youth Solidarity currently visiting Baghdad.

The meeting was attended by Saadi Mehdi Saleh, speaker of the National Assembly (Parliament), Baghdad Radio said.

As Saddam spoke, the U.N. Security Council convened in a crucial session Thursday night to vote for a draft resolution sanctioning the use of military force against Iraq over its invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

''The Security Council is no longer a Security Council. It has become an obedient apparatus that carries out U.S.-inspired resolutions,'' Saddam said.

He charged that the Security Council used in the past to call for peace talks among conflicting states to avoid war. ''But now it is giving priority to war over dialogue,'' he said.

The Iraqi President asked why U.N. resolutions on the Palestine question, adopted in the 1940s, have not been carried out until now.

Saddam repeated his call for the withdrawal of the U.S.-dominated 300,000-strong multinational force deployed in the Gulf following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

''Our principles at this stage call for social justice among the Arabs and the withdrawal of foreign (forces) so that the Arabs can live in the region, solve their problems by themselves and establish relations with foreign (states) on the basis of justice, fairness, equality and mutual respect,'' he said.

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#90333d9120 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (NOV. 29) - The Israeli military administration has extended by three months a closure order on four of the five Palestinian universities in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, sources close to the Defense Minstry said Thursday.

The Al-Najah, Bir Zeit universities as well as the Islamic universities of Hebron and Gaza were shut soon after the outbreak of the anti-Israeli uprising in the territories in December 1987.

The Israeli military authorities claimed that the universities were used to plan anti-Israeli operations.

Around 15,000 students are enrolled in these establishements and continue to receive some form of teaching despite the Israeli closer orders, Palestinian sources said.

The only Palestinian university currently open in the territories is the Bethlehem campus.

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#90333d9240 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAMAKO (NOV 29) - Liberia's main rebel leader Charles Taylor, who signed a ceasefire here Wednesday with two other warring factions, has toughened his rhetoric against Amos Sawyer, who was sworn in as interim leader a week ago in the Liberian capital, Monrovia.

Mr. Taylor, who has proclaimed himself president of Liberia and set up his own administration, said Thursday following the two-day summit here of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) that it was time for the Liberia people to return to the war-wracked country to chose a new Liberian government.

But he told journalists before leaving the Malian capital on his way back to Liberia that Mr. Sawyer had no claim to power because the 13 West African heads of state attending the first ECOWAS special summit convened to discuss the Liberian conflict said they had "not put any government in Monrovia."

"The term of calling Sawyer 'President Sawyer' is a joke ... because he's not a party to this conflict," referring to Liberia's 11-month civil war.

Mr. Sawyer was chosen by Liberian politicians and exiles at an all-party Liberian conference last August in the Gambian capital Banjul to lead the interim government.

The installation of an interim government in Liberia is one part of an overall

ECOWAS peace plan which was drawn up in August by the the community's mediation committee represented by Nigeria, Ghana, Togo, the Gambia and Mali and given a broader endorsement by the heads of state this week.

Observers said the summit managed to achieve a ceasefire and reach a consensus on the peace plan and "save face" for the community which was reportedly split between French- and English-speaking countries over the sending in last August of a 6,000-strong intervention force, comprising mainly troops from Nigeria and Ghana.

But the question of an interim government had not been fully resolved, as Mr. Sawyer, who came at the request of some of the heads of state, left Wednesday for Monrovia saying he was the president of the inperim government which Mr. Taylor could join as parliament speaker if he wanted.

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#90333d9310 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 29) - The NATO secretary general said Thursday that the Alliance "must draw the lessons of the Gulf crisis to improve both our crisis management and crisis prevention machinery."

Manfred Woerner made the comments in a speech on the last day of the North Atlantic Assembly of parliamentarians from the 16 NATO member states.

Mr. Woerner said there was no question of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization "trying to become a global policeman or taking on every security problem."

"But," he said, "because we cannot do everthing we cannot conclude we cannot do more."

Mr. Woerner suggested that in the future an "internal Alliance understanding" could be reached "whereby, in a spirit of solidarity, the degree of engagement in dealing with a given problem might vary from ally to ally, but the assets of the Alliance would be available for coordination and support."

This year the Assembly's debates were observed by Soviet, Hungarian, Polish, Czechoslovak and Bulgarian delegates.

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#90333d9370 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker Thursday said he did not rule out the United States signing a proposed U.N. Security Council resolution on protecting Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories.

"It would depend entirely on what the resolution contains. The United States

has supported resolutions in this area in the past and in the recent past," Mr. Baker said as he prepared to meet with his French counterpart, Roland Dumas, ahead of a vote later in the day on a resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq.

In October the United States voted in favor of two resolutions against Israel in connection with the killing by Israeli police of 17 Palestinians during protests on the Temple Mount in Jerusalem. One of the resolutions condemned Israel for using excessive force and the other deplored Israel's refusal to accept a U.N. probe of the incident.

As current president of the 15-member Security Council, the United States Wednesday managed to postpone a vote on a resolution proposed by Yemen, Cuba, Colombia and Malaysia on the Israeli-occupied territories.

The document calls for sending an ombudsman to the territories and convening an international conference to discuss ways of protecting the Palestinians in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

As it stands now, the wording of the resolution would in all likelihood prompt the United States to use its veto power as a permanent council member and kill the measure. But that, in turn, would embarrass Washington in the face of the Arab nations it has persuaded to join the U.S.-led coalition against Iraq.

"We should be willing at all times to confront the problems that exist throughout the region. The U.S. has certainly expressed a willingness to do that at the right time, at the right place," Mr. Baker said, restating U.S. policy of qualified support for an international conference to search for a comprehensive Middle East peace settlement.

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#90333d9420 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) - Venezuela will pay 611 million dollars for 7.5 billion dollars worth of U.S. Treasury zero-coupon bonds to be used as collateral in a Venezuelan debt reduction agreement, the U.S. Treasury Department said Thursday.

Sale of the bonds was approved by the Treasury Wednesday, only days before President George Bush will depart on a South American tour which will take him to Caracas on December 7.

Zero-coupon bonds are sold at a steep discount because they pay interest only upon maturation, which in the case of the Venezuelan bonds will be in 30 years.

Venezuela will pay just over eight cents on the dollar for the face value of the bonds, which the Treasury Department justified by referring to an earlier bond package worked out for Mexico that involved far greater sums.

Mexico purchased 30.2 billion dollars in zero-coupon bonds in a deal with the U.S. Treasury for 2.99 billion dollars in a transaction which was criticized by the U.S. Congress as a "hidden subsidy" and an unauthorized budgetary appropriation.

Venezuela's medium- and long-term debt to commercial banks now amounts to 21.0 billion dollars.

The refinancing agreement was completed earlier this year within the framework of the so-called Brady Plan, named after U.S. Treasury Secrtary Nicholas Brady -- with a 6.66 billion dollar permanent debt reduction and a short-term 2.44 billion dollar interest payment deferral.

To restructure its external debt, some creditor banks sold Venezuela's debt back to that country at deep discounts based on the debt's secondary market value, while others opted to extend fresh loans without accepting cuts in the nominal value of debt owed them by Venezuela.

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#90333d9540 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 29) - The United States Thursday hailed an accord signed by Argentina and Brazil to renounce building nuclear weapons, and called on other Latin American nations to respect nuclear non-proliferation.

With the pact signed Wednesday in the Brazilian city of Foz do Iguazu, "the prospects for a Latin America forever free from the dangers of nuclear weapons have brightened," the White House said in a statement.

The communique said presidents Carlos Menem of Argentina and Fernando Collor de Mello of Brazil "acted boldly to enhance regional and world stability in pledging to use nuclear energy only for peaceful purposes."

The two countries have suspected one another of secretly striving to develop nuclear weapons ever since Argentine president Juan Domingo Peron established a National Commission on Atomic Energy in 1955.

Neither country is known to have succeeded in building a nuclear device although the Brazilian Government recently acknowledged that the military had tried to build one under previous governments.

Under the agreement signed Wednesday, the two countries approved a common system of accounting and control enabling them to monitor each other's activities in the nuclear field.

The White House called on them to meet their pledges for full compliance with the 1968 Treaty of Tlatelolco, which calls for a Latin America free of nuclear

arms.

"We also urge those countries in Latin America which have not done so to bring the treaty into force ... and to support the international community's non-proliferation regime."

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#90333d9600 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (NOV. 29) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein late Thursday had parliament here authorize the departure of all remaining Belgian nationals held in Iraq, an official source said.

Belgian officials have said 32 Belgians are being detained in Iraq, including two diplomats who had been posted in Kuwait, occupied by Iraqi troops in August.

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#90333d9670 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (NOV. 29) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker Thursday handed over to U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar a check for 185,732,250 dollars, as payment towards the U.S. contribution to the world body.

The United States yearly contributes 25 per cent of the U.N. budget -- the maximum allowable for any member state -- which in 1990 amounts to 233 million dollars.

An additional 168.5 million dollars for exceptional expenses caused by peace-keeping operations world-wide brings the total annual U.S. contribution to 401.5 million dollars.

Before Mr. Baker's payment, Washington had paid 117 million dollars towards its total U.N. quota.

The latest payment was made a few hours before the Security Council met to vote on a resolution allowing the use of force to dislodge Iraqi troops from Kuwait -- the second resolution of its type in U.N. history.

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#90333d9960 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (NOV 29) - Here is the text of Security Council resolution 678 giving Iraq until January 15 to withdraw from Kuwait or face military attack from U.N. members:

The Security Council,

Recalling and reaffirming its resolutions 660 (1990), 661 (1990), 662 (1990), 664 (1990), 665 (1990), 666 (1990), 667 (1990), 669 (1990), 670 (1990), 674 (1990) and 677 (1990),

Noting that, despite all efforts by the United Nations, Iraq refuses to comply with its obligation to implement resolution 660 and the above subsequent relevant resolutions, in flagrant contempt of the council,

Mindful of its duties and responsibilities under the charter of the United Nations for the maintenance and preservation of international peace and security,

Determined to secure full compliance with its decisions,

Acting under Chapter VII of the charter of the United Nations,

1. Demands that Iraq comply fully with resolution 660 and all subsequent relevant resolutions and decides, while maintaining all its decisions, to allow Iraq one final opportunity, as a pause of goodwill, to do so;

2. Authorizes members states cooperating with the government of Kuwait, unless Iraq on or before 15 January 1991 fully implements, as set forth in paragraph one above, the foregoing resolutions, to use all necessary means to uphold and implement Security Council resolution 660 and all subsequent relevant resolutions and to restore international peace and security in the area;

3. Requests all states to provide appropriate support for the actions undertaken in pursuance of paragraph two of this resolution;

4. Requests the states concerned to keep the council regularly informed on the progress of actions undertaken pursuant to paragraphs two and three of this resolution;

5. Decides to remain seized on the matter.

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#90333d9980 11/29/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS, (NOV 29) - Thursday's U.N. Security Council vote endorsing the use of force to gain Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait was the only time since the Korean conflict 40 years ago that that the world body has authorized military action against a member nation.

Five years after the United Nations was founded in 1945, the Security Council agreed to permit military force to be used to repel an invasion of South Korea by North Korean troops backed by China and the Soviet Union.

There were 11 Security Council members at the time -- today there are 15 --

but only 10 took part in the vote on June 27, 1950.

The U.S.-backed vote was carried out while the Soviet Union was boycotting Security Council meetings to protest the presence of China's Nationalist government on the council instead of the Communist government which came to power the previous year.

Following adoption of the resolution, the United States sent its Air Force and Navy to back the South Korean military, with land troops following a little later.

On July 7, 1950, the Security Council placed all foreign military forces in South Korea -- from a total of 16 nations -- under U.S. command and a U.N. banner.

Fighting lasted until the signing of the July 27, 1953 armistice, which established the 38th paralell as the border between the two Koreas. No comprehensive peace agreement has yet been reached.

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#90333e0003 11/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Huancayo, Peru, (NOV. 29) EFE - Maoist "Shining Path" guerrillas slashed the throats of two peasants they suspected of being informers and shot the father of one of them dead in an attack in Peru's central Andes region, police said Thursday.

The bodies of the two peasants, bearing hand-writtten notes accusing them of being informers, were laid out in the main square of Viques, in Junin department 315 km east of Lima.

The killings occurred Wednesday.

More than 21,000 people have been killed since Shining Path embarked on its rebellion 10 years ago and most of its armed operations have been conducted in the troubled Andean provinces.

Lima's La Republica newspaper reported Wednesday that towns in a quarter of Peru's territory lacked mayors because they had been murdered or driven away by Shining Path threats.

Since 1984, 91 mayors have been murdered, 46 of them in 1989 alone, by the guerrillas. None of the mayors, most of whom belonged to conservative, independent or left-wing parties, have been replaced.

The newspaper said 339 towns in forty provinces in the departments of Ayacucho Ancash and Huancavelica which have been declared emergency zones and placed under military control have no mayors.

Municipal elections called for November 11 were never held in these towns because of fears of Shining Path attacks.

Meanwhile, three unidentified gunmen late Wednesday fired from a car at the Lima home of parliamentary deputy and human rights activist Eduardo Lopez Therese, police said.

No one was injured in the attack.

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#90333e0009 11/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

VIENNA (NOV. 29) EFE - Austria has decided not to deport 1,200 Romanian refugees until all efforts to find them work have been exhausted, officials said Thursday.

The agreement was reached at a meeting between Interior Minister Franz Loeschnak, Social Affairs Minister Walter Geppert and social workers late Wednesday.

It was also agreed that any of the 1,200 Romanian refugees with relatives or lodgings in Austria would not be repatriated.

A team of Austrian parliamentary deputies would travel shortly to Romania to prepare a report on conditions there.

If their report and others by the Council of Europe and the human rights group Amnesty International concluded that the situation in Romania had worsened, the refugees could stay in Austria, the officials said.

Originally 7,000 Romanians faced expulsion but in the past week jobs or homes had been found for all but 1,200 of them thanks to widespread public efforts.

Last week the state-run airline refused to fly Romanian refugees back to their homeland and Austria's influential Roman Catholic Church protested the government's policy.

Austria's growing unemployment problem has been aggravated by the flow of refugees from eastern European countries struggling with severe economic crises.

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#90333e0017 11/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

STOCKHOLM (NOV. 29) EFE - A German pro-ecology political party is to help U.S. military deserters to escape possible service in the Gulf by flying them to Sweden, a Swedish newspaper reported Thursday.

The conservative daily Svenska Bagbladet said the Greens party had organized special flights to Sweden for possible deserters from the more than 60,000 U.S. soldiers stationed in Germany who may be sent to the Gulf.

The party was awaiting a decision on the so-called "Winter Holidays" operation from the Swedish embassy in Bonn, the paper reported, quoting Martin Thomas, a Greens party leader in the northwestern German town of Bremen.

Swedish embassy councillor Ingmar Karlsson said she thought Stockholm would find it difficult to accept possible deserters as Sweden supported all United Nations resolutions against Iraq following its August invasion of Kuwait.

Thomas, who claimed that 25 American soldiers so far wanted to desert, said "it is despicable to deny help" to people who do not want to die. During the Vietnam War, hundreds of U.S. soldiers posted in Germany deserted and went to live in Sweden.

The Swedish embassy said that late prime minister Olof Palme "would have fully supported" the Greens plan. Palme, who took part in anti-U.S. demonstrations during the Vietnam War, was assassinated by an unknown gunman in February 1986.

The United States sent some 220,000 troops to the Persian Gulf following the Iraqi invasion, and decided earlier this month to send up to 200,000 more, with some of them from bases in Germany.

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#90333e0021 11/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 29 EFE - Russian Federation President Boris Yeltsin insisted he has no intention of challenging his long-time rival Mikhail Gorbachev for the Soviet presidency, in an interview appearing Thursday in the weekly Moscow News.

Yeltsin said he has already assured Gorbachev that he would not be a candidate if the constitution is changed to allow the Soviet presidency, to which Gorbachev was elected by parliament, to be decided by universal suffrage.

Its was the second time Yeltsin has sent conciliatory signals to his rival after Gorbachev earlier this month accused him of indulging in "opposition for opposition's sake".

On Monday he responded with what amounted to an offer of a cease-fire by inviting Gorbachev to put aside their political differences for the time being and work together to bring the Soviet economy out of its deep decline.

Yeltsin, who has presented himself as the champion of radical political and economic reforms, has been at loggerheads with Gorbachev since he was sacked

as Moscow Communist Party boss in 1987.

Speaking of the new Treaty of Union redefining the relations between the 15 Soviet republics and the central government in Moscow, Yeltsin said in its present form, Russia,the largest and most economcially powerful republic, could not sign it.

The Kremlin, he charged, still has not recognized the sovereign rights which all the republics have unilaterally claimed and fails to see the only way to reconstruct the Soviet Union is from the bottom up, rather than from the Kremlin.

Until the Soviet and Russian governments sign an accord establishing the separation of powers and transfer of state property, a new treaty was most unlikely, Yeltsin said.

The Russian leader said he did not begrudge Gorbachev his achievements in the international sphere but said unfortunately these were not matched by the success of his domestic policies.

But he said Gorbachev +provokes indignation+ when he signs international accords which the republics have to pay for out of their own pockets or infringes their sovereign rights.

He cited as an example an item on the agenda of Gorbachev's forthcoming official visit to Tokyo, the dispute over the Kiril Islands in the northern Japanese archipelago, which the Soviets have occupied since the end of World War II.

Japan wants the islands back, but Yeltsin says they are part of Russia.

"I told the president that unless you first come to us for an accord we will send an official notice to the Japanese government stating that we cannot recognize any undertaking that infringes on our sovereignty," Yeltsin said.

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#90333e0029 11/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV 29) EFE - Former Israeli Army officer Yair Klein pleaded guilty Thursday to a charge of illegally exporting military equipment and expertise to Colombia, the Armed Forces radio station said.

Klein, accused of giving military training to two Colombian farmers' organizations without the Israeli Defense Ministry's authorization, said he pleaded guilty to end the "trial" he said he was undergoing in the Israeli press.

Colombian authorities have charged that Klein, the president of an Israeli

security firm, trained hit teams which have carried out scores of killings for powerful cocaine smugglers.

Klein has denied that accusation, but has said he trained Colombian farmers to defend themselves from attacks by leftist guerrillas.

The former lieutenant colonel told the Jerusalem court that press coverage of his alleged activities had caused serious damage to him and to Israel.

The Armed Forces radio station said Klein will be tried soon on another charge of illegal arms export, stemming from his alleged sale of weapons to the Caribbean island of Antigua which were found in the possession of Colombian drug traffickers earlier this year.

The maximum penalty is three years imprisonment for each charge of exporting arms or military expertise without Defense Ministry approval.

Klein has brought a libel suit against the independent Tel Aviv daily Yedioth Aharonoth, which published a series of articles about his alleged services to Colombian drug traffickers, for which he reportedly received dlrs 800,000 in payment.

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#90333e0031 11/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

GENEVA (NOV. 29) EFE - Over the next decade, AIDS will kill more than two million of women who are already infected with the HIV virus, the World Health Organization (WHO) predicted Thursday.

Michael Merson, director of the U.N. agency's Global Program on AIDS, said WHO estimated that nearly two-thirds of the some three million infected women would die by the year 2000.

Another 600,000 women would contract the virus by 1992, he told a press conference two days before the Geneva-based organization's annual World AIDS day, this year dedicated to the woman.

Merson forecast that by the turn of the century, up to 80 per cent of all HIV infections would be acquired by sexual intercourse.

Sub-Saharan Africa is worst affected with one in 40 women carrying the HIV virus which causes the AIDS syndrome.

WHO estimates one in 500 women in Latin America and one in 700 in the United States are HIV-positive.

Merson said that between eight and ten million people are currently thought to carry the HIV virus.

The total number of cases could climb to between 15 and 20 million by the year 2000, while some 10 million children could be infected by that date.

More than 8,000 new AIDS cases were reported in November 1990 by WHO's 156 member countries.

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#90333e0034 11/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SAN SALVADOR (NOV 29) EFE - Salvadoran leftist rebels said Thursday that their new attacks in the capital over the last several days was to show that the Army had turned the city into an armed battlefield.

Leftist rebels, members of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN), claimed to have killed more than 400 soldiers in their nine-day-old offensive. Dozens of rebels and civilians have also been reported killed.

The FMLN accused the Army in a statement of using public facilities as trenches and fortifications. The FMLN also said the Army had taken over many schools, sports centers, and civilian buildings in the city.

Guerrillas attacked an Army patrol Wednesday night in the town of San Ramon, located about two km north of the capital. One soldier was reported injured.

A government statement also confirmed that rebels Wednesday set off explosives near the Central Election Council office. El Salvador is to hold municipal elections next March.

The FMLN began its latest offensive November 20, saying it was attempting to pressure the government to speed up United Nations-sponsored peace talks. The next session is scheduled for December though dates have not been set.

The Salvadoran government has said the new offensive is designed to "frustrate the possibility of a peace settlement."

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#90333e0036 11/29/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 29) EFE - As the polls closed Thursday afternoon for the Egyptian parliamentary elections, officials said the the number of voters who had turned out for the ballot was low, after a boycott by the main opposition candidates.

The elections went ahead on schedule but the most optimistic estimates put voter turn-out at around 30 per cent.

The state-run radio and television did not broadcast any references to the

number of voters.

Earlier, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak had said that Egyptians were free to vote or not as they pleased.

Over 16 million Egyptians were eligible to cast their ballot for the 444 seats being contested in the People's Assembly. Ten additional seats were to be assigned by presidential prerogative.

In the last legislature, consisting of 458 seats, Mubarak's National Democratic Party (NDP) had a 363 to 95 majority over the combined opposition.

Although smaller parties such as the socialist Tagamo party, Al Umma and Misru al Fatah are fielding candidates against the NDP, the two main opposition groups, the nationalist Neo-Wafd party and the Ahrar alliance, announced a boycott and urged voters to do the same.

They said the polls were undemocratic since the Supreme Court last May declared that the dissolution of parliament earlier this year had been illegal and because the state of emergency decreed following the assassination of then-president Anwar Sadat in 1981 was still in force.

But the government said last week that 81 Neo-Wafd activists were standing as independents, along with 119 members of the Ahrar alliance, which includes the fundamentalist Moslem Brotherhood, and ten more from other Moslem organizations.

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#90333h0030 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LUSAKA (NOV. 29) XINHUA - THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION'S (WHO) AFRICAN REGIONAL OFFICE HAS PROPOSED TO PROVIDE 137.2 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR PROMOTING HEALTH ACTIVITIES IN AFRICA, TIMES OF ZAMBIA REPORTED TODAY.

A WHO PRESS RELEASE AVAILABLE HERE SAID THAT 44 MEMBER STATES IN THE REGION WILL BENEFIT FROM THE FUND DURING THE PERIOD OF 1992-1993.

THE MONEY WOULD BE USED TO IMPROVE HEALTH SYSTEM INFRASTRUCTURE AND FACILITATE RESEARCH AND APPLICATION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT.

THIS PROPOSAL WILL REMAIN TENTATIVE UNTIL THE OVERALL BUDGETARY PROPOSALS ARE APPROVED BY THE WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY NEXT MAY IN GENEVA, SAID THE RELEASE.

WHO REGIONAL DIRECTOR DR. GOTTLIEB LOBE MONEKOSSO HAS URGED AFRICAN COUNTRIES TO REVIEW THEIR PROGRAMS IN RELATION TO HIGH PRIORITY AREAS SUCH AS MALARIA CONTROL.

SEVERAL FACTORS ARE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION IN DETERMINING ALLOCATIONS FOR

INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES TO ENABLE COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS TO CORRESPOND TO CURRENT ECONOMIC REALITIES.

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#90333h0032 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LUSAKA (NOV. 29) XINHUA - ZAMBIA HAS HIKED THE PRICES OF ALL STOCKFEEDS BY MORE THAN 25 PERCENT A MONTH AFTER THE LAST INCREASE, THE TIMES OF ZAMBIA REPORTED TODAY.

THE NEW PRICE FOR A 25 KG BAG OF LAYERS MASH HAS RISEN TO 288 KWACHA (7.2 U.S. DOLLARS) FROM 230 KWACHA. THE PRICE FOR BRIOLER MASH IS 369 KWACHA (9.2 DOLLARS) FROM 295 KWACHA FOR A 25 KG BAG.

FOR BROILER FINISHER, THE NEW PRICE GOES UP TO 329 KWACHA FROM 262 KWACHA (8.2 DOLLARS) FOR A 25 KG BAG.

BROILER BREEDER MASH WILL NOW COST 289 KWACHA (7.2 DOLLARS) FOR A 25 KG BAG FROM 231 KWACHA.

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#90333h0038 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 29) XINHUA - CHINESE VICE-PREMIER WU XUEQIAN SAID THAT HE WANTS TO SEE A FULL RESTORATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN CHINA AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY.

WU MADE THE REMARKS AT AN HOUR-LONG MEETING WITH LEDERHANDLER, PRESIDENT OF THE BELGIUM-CHINA ECONOMIC AND TRADE CONFEDERATION, AND VAN DYCK, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE CONFEDERATION, HERE THIS AFTERNOON.

LEDERHANDLER PRAISED CHINA FOR ITS SUCCESSES IN IMPLEMENTING THE REFORM AND OPEN POLICIES IN THE PAST DECADE AND MORE. HE WAS HIGHLY CONFIDENT THAT COOPERATION BETWEEN HIS CONFEDERATION AND CHINA WILL CONTINUE TO DEVELOP, HE SAID.

THE VISITORS ARRIVED HERE TEN DAYS AGO AS GUESTS OF THE CHINA COUNCIL FOR THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE.

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#90333h0040 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CANBERRA (NOV. 29) XINHUA - AN AGREEMENT TO AVOID DOUBLE TAXATION WAS SIGNED HERE TODAY BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND HUNGARY.

THE AGREEMENT WAS SINGED BY VISITING HUNGARIAN FOREIGN MINISTER GEZA JESZENSZKY AND FEDERAL TREASURER PAUL KEATING.

THE AGREEMENT CLARIFIES THE TAXATION POSITION IN THE RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES BY ALLOCATING TAXING RIGHTS BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND HUNGARY ON ALL FORMS OF INCOME FLOWS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

THE HUNGARIAN FOREIGN MINISTER ARRIVED HERE YESTERDAY ON A FIVE-DAY VISIT WHICH WILL ALSO TAKE HIM TO MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY.

DURING HIS STAY IN AUSTRALIA, JESZENSZKY IS EXPECTED TO HAVE TALKS WITH PRIME MINISTER BOB HAWKE AND FOREIGN MINISTER GARETH EVANS.

THE DISCUSSIONS ARE EXPECTED TO COVER A RANGE OF CURRENT INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS AND ASPECTS OF THE BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP.

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#90333h0042 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 29) XINHUA - CHINESE PREMIER LI PENG WILL PAY AN OFFICIAL GOODWILL VISIT TO FOUR ASIAN COUNTRIES FROM DECEMBER 10 TO 19, A CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED AT THE WEEKLY NEWS BRIEFING HERE THIS AFTERNOON.

THE FOUR COUNTRIES ARE MALAYSIA, THE PHILIPPINES, LAOS AND SRI LANKA. LI WILL VISIT THEM AT THE INVITATIONS OF PRIME MINISTER DATUK SERI MAHATHIR BIN MOHAMAD OF MALAYSIA, PRESIDENT CORAZON C. AQUINO OF THE PHILIPPINES, CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS KAYSONE PHOMVIHANE OF LAOS AND PRIME MINISTER D.B. WIJETUNGA OF SRI LANKA.

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#90333h0046 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

XI'AN (NOV. 29) XINHUA - CHINESE PETROLEUM PROSPECTING TEAMS HAVE DISCOVERED A LARGE NATURAL GAS ZONE IN NORTHWEST CHINA'S SHAANXI-GANSU-NINGXIA-INNER MONGOLIA BASIN.

AN OFFICIAL FROM THE CHANGQING OIL PROSPECTING HEADQUARTERS, LOCATED IN JINGBIAN COUNTY, SHAANXI PROVINCE, SAID THAT GAS WAS FIRST FOUND IN 1986 WHILE PROSPECTING FOR OIL IN THE EASTERN AND CENTRAL PARTS OF THE BASIN.

AS OF NOW, A TOTAL OF 43 WELLS HAVE BEEN DRILLED IN SHAANXI PROVINCE AND THE INNER MONGOLIA AUTONOMOUS REGION. IN ADDITION, 24 TEST WELLS HAVE GIVEN OFF GAS, HALF OF WHICH HAVE A DAILY OUTPUT OF 200,000 CUBIC METERS EACH. THE HIGHEST OUTPUT EXCEEDS 300,000 CUBIC METERS A DAY, THE OFFICIAL SAID.

PROSPECTING DATA HAS ALSO PROVEN THE EXISTENCE OF A LARGE NATURAL GAS ZONE IN THE SHAANXI-GANSU-NINGXIA-INNER MONGOLIA AUTONOMOUS REGION.

EXPERTS SAY THAT THE NATURAL GAS IN THE BASIN IS NOT VERY DEEP BELOW THE EARTH'S SURFACE. THE DEPTH OF MOST GAS WELLS IS ABOUT 3,200 METERS. THEY ADDED

THAT THE GAS IN THE BASIN IS OF GOOD QUALITY AND WILL BE EASY TO EXTRACT.

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS, THE CHANGQING OIL PROSPECTING BUREAU HAS FORMED 10 TEAMS TO PROSPECT A LARGE PORTION OF THE BASIN WITH THE AIM OF CREATING CONDITIONS THAT WILL ENABLE THE CHINA OIL AND GAS CORPORATION TO DEVELOP THE AREA.

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#90333h0060 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 29) XINHUA - "NAG" (SNAKE), INDIA'S FIRST INDIGENOUS THIRD-GENERATION ANTI-TANK MISSILE, WAS SUCCESSFULLY FLIGHT TESTED TODAY, ACCORDING TO DEFENSE MINISTRY OFFICIALS.

THE MISSILE WAS TESTED AT THE INTERIM TEST RANGE AT CHANDIPUR IN THE EASTERN STATE OF ORISSA AT 0807 HOURS THIS MORNING.

DEFENSE SCIENTISTS SAID THE MISSILE WAS MONITORED SUCCESSFULLY DURING ITS CONTROLLED FLIGHT. "IT HAS FULLY MET THE OBJECTIVE OF THE TRIALS," THEY ANNOUNCED HERE.

DEFENSE SCIENTISTS WERE SATISFIED IN ACHIEVING YET ANOTHER SUCCESS AFTER THE SUCCESSFUL TEST FIRING OF ITS INTERMEDIATE RANGE MISSILE AKASH AND SURFACE-TO-SURFACE MISSILE PRTHVI.

THEY SAID MORE TESTS WOULD BE CARRIED OUT BEFORE THE INDUCTION OF THE MISSILES IN THE INDIAN ARMY BY EARLY 1994.

THEY DESCRIBED "NAG" AS MORE THAN MATCHING ANY COMPARABLE MISSILE IN THE ARMORY OF THE NATO OR WARSAW PACT.

INDIA, WHICH HITHERTO HAD BEEN DEPLOYING THE RUSSIAN-MADE MULTIBARREL ROCKET SYSTEM, RECENTLY FACED IMMENSE DIFFICULTIES IN ACQUIRING SPARE PARTS FOR THESE CLOSE RANGE INFANTRY SUPPORT WEAPONS AS SUPPLIERS IN EASTERN EUROPE AND THE SOVIET UNION DEMANDED PAYMENT ON CONVERTIBLE CURRENCIES.

THE DEVELOPMENT AND TESTING OF THESE SYSTEMS IS SEEN HERE AS A MAJOR SUCCESS BY INDIAN DEFENSE SCIENTISTS.

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#90333h0063 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 29) XINHUA - BO YIBO, HONORARY PRESIDENT OF THE CHINA COUNCIL FOR THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE (CCPIT), MET AND HOSTED A BANQUET FOR A DELEGATION OF THE JAPANESE ASSOCIATION FOR THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE HERE TONIGHT.

DURING THEIR CORDIAL CONVERSATION, BOTH BO AND SHIGEICHI KOGA, ACTING HEAD OF

THE DELEGATION AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE JAPANESE ASSOCIATION, EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT FRIENDLY RELATIONS AND COOPERATION BETWEEN CHINA AND JAPAN WILL GROW CONSTANTLY AND EXCHANGES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES' BUSINESS CIRCLES WILL BE FURTHER STRENGTHENED.

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#90333h0065 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 29) XINHUA - AN 11 PERCENT INCREASE IN CARGO RATES WILL BE IMPOSED BY AIRLINES OPERATING BETWEEN HONG KONG AND EUROPE FROM DECEMBER 1 THIS YEAR TO OFFSET RISE IN JET FUEL PRICES, THE "SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST" REPORTED HERE TODAY.

IT WILL APPLY TO CARGO CARRIED ON FREIGHTER FLIGHTS AS WELL AS TO CARGO CARRIED BY PASSENGER AIRCRAFT, THE PAPER SAID.

THIS IS THE SECOND INCREASE IN CARGO RATES IN TWO MONTHS. THE FIRST INCREASE, OF SEVEN PERCENT, COINCIDED WITH AN INCREASE IN PASSENGER FARES.

THE PAPER QUOTED THE CATHAY PACIFIC AIRWAYS' CARGO DEPARTMENT AS CONFIRMING THAT IT WAS JOINING ALL THE OTHER CARRIERS IN PUTTING THE RATE INCREASE INTO EFFECT NEXT MONTH.

THE AIRLINES BLAMED THE RISE IN CRUDE OIL PRICES IN OCTOBER FOR THE NEW CHARGES.

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#90333h0080 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 29) XINHUA - AS PART OF THE ON-GOING SECOND CHINA DRAMA FESTIVAL, THE PERFORMANCES OF THE CHONGQING SICHUAN OPERA THEATER TROUPE HAVE BEEN WELL RECEIVED BY BEIJING AUDIENCES.

SICHUAN OPERA TOOK FORM IN THE MIDDLE OF THE 17TH CENTURY, INTEGRATING FIVE VOCAL ARTS: THE GAO TONE AND THE KUNQU OPERA, HUQIN, TAN AND FOLK LANTERN OPERAS. IT HAS A RICH REPERTOIRE AND IS CHARACTERIZED BY ITS STRICT AND UNIQUE PERFORMANCE STYLE AND ITS WITTY LIBRETTO.

IN THE PAST FEW YEARS, THE CHONGQING SICHUAN OPERA THEATER HAS TRAINED A LARGE NUMBER OF YOUNG ACTORS AND ACTRESSES.

OF THE 93 ACTORS AND ACTRESSES THAT HAVE COME TO BEIJING, MORE THAN HALF ARE UNDER 30 YEARS OF AGE.

THE 25-YEAR-OLD SHEN TIEMEI WHO IS PLAYING THE LEADING ROLE IN THE "PEACOCK GALLBLADDER" IN THE FESTIVAL, HAS BEEN AWARDED THE "PLUM BLOSSOM PRIZE", THE TOP PRIZE FOR DRAMA PERFORMANCE IN CHINA. EXPERTS PRAISED HER VOICE "MELLOW AND SWEET" AND HER TONE "BEAUTIFUL AND EXQUISITE".

DURING A SYMPOSIUM ON SICHUAN OPERA HELD BY THE CHINESE DRAMATISTS ASSOCIATION A FEW DAYS AGO, EXPERTS EXPRESSED THE BELIEF THAT SICHUAN OPERA WILL CONTINUE TO PROSPER.

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#90333h0093 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (NOV. 29) XINHUA - THE NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO MAKE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT A PREREQUISITE FOR ALL NEW DEVELOPMENTAL AND INFRASTRUCTURAL PROJECTS FROM NEXT YEAR TO CURB THE WORSENING ENVIRONMENTAL SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY.

THESE PROJECTS INCLUDE HOUSING ESTATES, DAM CONSTRUCTION, HIGHWAYS, INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND LARGE SCALE FARMING, SAID MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING, MAMMAN KONTAGORA AT THE FIRST CONFERENCE OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENT HERE WEDNESDAY.

HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT WILL CARRY OUT ENVIRONMENTAL AUDITING AS A SYSTEMATIC AND CONTINUOUS EVALUATION OF HOW MANAGEMENT AND EQUIPMENT ARE PERFORMING TO IMPROVE ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS. THE MEASURE WILL BE APPLIED TO ALL PROJECTS, BOTH OLD AND NEW.

THE MINISTER SAID THESE MEASURES WERE PART OF GOVERNMENT STRATEGIES TO BALANCE DEVELOPMENT WITH THE NEED TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT.

DESPITE OF ITS LOW LEVEL OF INDUSTRIALISATION, NIGERIA IS ONE OF THE COUNTRIES SUFFERING WORST ENVIRONMENT POLLUTIONS IN THE WORLD. NIGERIAN SCIENTISTS SAID THAT SOME PARTS OF NIGERIA, PARTICULARLY THE OIL PRODUCING AREAS OF THE NIGER DELTA, ARE UNDER THE THREAT OF ACID RAIN.

EXPERTS SAID THAT THE FLARING OF NATURAL GAS IN THE OIL PRODUCING AREAS WAS THE MAJOR SOURCE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE POSSI- BILITY OF ACID RAIN IN SOUTHEASTERN NIGERIA.

A RECENT WORLD BANK REPORT NOTED THAT ENVIRONMENTAL DEGRA- DATION IS AFFECTING ABOUT 30 MILLION PEOPLE IN NIGERIA DIRECTLY.

ECONOMICALLY, ENVIRONMENT LOSSES AGGREGATE ABOUT 300 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS ANNUALLY OR 13 PERCENT OF THE COUNTRY'S CURRENT GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP).

IN A BID TO CHECK THE NEGATIVE DEVELOPMENT, THE GOVERNMENT HAS SET UP A TRACKING SYSTEM WHICH WILL ENSURE THAT ALL CHEMICALS ENTERING THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING PESTICIDES, ARE MONITORED CARE- FULLY AND THOROUGHLY.

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#90333h0099 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 29) XINHUA - THE PETROL-DRIVEN CARS IN HONG KONG WILL BE ABLE TO USE UNLEADED PETROL ON APRIL 1 NEXT YEAR.

THIS MOVE WILL BE THE FIRST STAGE OF THE VEHICLE EMISSION CONTROL STRATEGY SPEARHEADED BY THE HONG KONG ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT.

ABOUT 70 PERCENT OF PETROL-DRIVEN CARS IN HONG KONG WILL BE ABLE TO USE THE NEW FUEL IMMEDIATELY WITHOUT MODIFICATION OR ADJUSTMENT AND WITH NO EFFECT ON ENGINE PERFORMANCE OR FUEL ECONOMY. TEN PERCENT WILL NEED ONLY A MINOR ENGINE ADJUSTMENT TO USE UNLEADED PETROL.

ANOTHER 14 PERCENT OF CARS CAN RUN ON UNLEADED PETROL MOST OF THE TIME BUT SHOULD OCCASIONALLY BE FILLED WITH LEADED PETROL TO LUBRICATE THEIR SOFT VALUE SEATS. THE REMAINING SIX PERCENT OF VEHICLES WILL NEED TO CONTINUE TO USE LEADED PETROL.

TO ENCOURAGE DRIVERS TO SWITCH TO UNLEADED PETROL, THE NEW FUEL WILL GO ON SALE WITH A PRICE ADVANTAGE OF ABOUT ONE H.K. DOLLAR PER LITRE OVER LEADED PETROL.

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#90333h0108 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 29) XINHUA - "ANCIENT TREES IN BEIJING", CHINA'S FIRST PICTURE ALBUM OF TREES, HAS JUST COME OFF PRESS.

THE BOOK WITH 130 COLOR ILLUSTRATIONS PROVIDES THE HISTORY OF THE CITY'S ANCIENT TREES AND RELATED ANECDOTES.

A LOCAL GOVERNMENT SURVEY IN 1988 SHOWED THAT THERE ARE MORE THAN 19,000 TREES OVER 100 YEARS OLD IN THE CAPITAL AND ITS OUTSKIRTS, MAINLY PINE, CYPRESS, SCHOLAR TREE AND GINKGO. AMONG THEM, 3,800 TREES ARE OVER 300 YEARS OLD.

IN RECENT YEARS, THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF BEIJING HAS INSTITUTED A NUMBER OF REGULATIONS ON TREE PROTECTION.

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#90333h0114 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 29) XINHUA - MORE THAN 2,000 SOVIET JEWS WERE ARRIVING IN TEL AVIV TODAY, SETTING A NEW DAILY RECORD FOR THE JEWISH IMMIGRATION INFLUX, ACCORDING TO ISRAEL RADIO MONITORED HERE.

SOME 1,700 IMMIGRANTS HAD ARRIVED AT THE BEN-GURION AIRPORT BY NOON AND SEVEN MORE PLANES CARRYING SOVIET IMMIGRANTS WERE EXPECTED BEFORE MIDNIGHT.

ON TUESDAY, 1,351 SOVIET IMMIGRANTS ARRIVED, AND THE ISRAELI JEWISH AGENCY SAID TODAY'S ARRIVALS WOULD FAR EXCEED THAT NUMBER.

ADDRESSING ISRAELI EDITORS IN TEL AVIV, PRIME MINISTER YITZHAK SHAMIR SAID THAT ABSORBING THE IMMIGRANTS WAS HIS "OVERRIDING PRIOIRTY," AHEAD OF THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT WHICH HE SAID HAD BEEN SHOVELED TO THE SIDELINE ANYWAY.

HE SAID HE WOULD BRIEF PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH ON THE INFLUX OF JEWISH IMMIGRANTS WHEN THEY MEET IN WASHINGTON ON DECEMBER 11.

JUSTICE MINISTER DAN MERIDOR SAID THAT ISRAEL WAS ASKING THE U.S. FOR A "SERIOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY" TO HOUSE THE NEW COMERS AND CREATE JOBS FOR THEM.

"I AM SURE THAT THE U.S. WILL BE READY TO HELP US," HE SAID. "I KNOW THE PRESIDENT VERY MUCH ESTEEMS THE GREAT IMMIGRATION ENTERPRISELIN WHICH WE ARE ENGAGED."

ISRAELI NEWSPAPERS HAVE REPORTED THAT SHAMIR WILL ASK FOR BILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN ADDITIONAL U.S. HOUSING LOAN GUARANTEES. THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION HAS AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO PROVIDE 400 MILLION DOLLARS IN LOAN GUARANTEES PROVIDED ISRAEL DOES NOT HOUSE THE NEW COMERS IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES.

ACCORDING TO THE JEWISH AGENCY, 26,000 SOVIETS HAVE ARRIVED SO FAR THIS MONTH, COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS HIGH OF 21,744 LAST MONTH.

SINCE JANUARY, 140,000 HAVE ARRIVED.

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#90333h0116 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO, NOVEMBER 29 (XINHUA) - IRAQI PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN SAID TODAY THAT HE WAS NOT AFRAID OF FIGHTING THE AMERICANS IN A WAR, A REPORT FROM BAGHDAD SAID.

SADDAM ALSO CLAIMED THAT HE HAD THE TECHNOLOGY TO SHOOT DOWN U.S. STEALTH FIGHTER BOMBERS NOTED FOR THEIR CAPABILITY TO EVADE ENEMY RADAR DETECTION.

THE UNITED STATES HAS 22 F-111A STEALTH WARPLANES DEPLOYED IN UNSPECIFIC BASES AS PART OF ITS MILITARY BUILDUP IN THE GULF IN RESPONSE TO IRAQ'S AUGUST 2 INVASION OF KUWAIT.

"IF WAR BREAKS OUT," SADDAM WAS QUOTED AS SAYING, "WE WILL FIGHT IN A WAY WHICH WILL MAKE ALL ARABS AND MOSLEMS PROUD. WE ARE DETERMINED NOT TO KNEEL DOWN TO INJUSTICE."

HE TOLD UN ARAB YOUTH SOLIDARITY SEMINAR THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD BE WRONG IF IT THOUGHT IRAQ WOULD "TREMBLE WITH FEAR."

THESE REMARKS CAME HOURS BEFORE THE THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL WAS TO

VOTE ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORITIZING "ALL NECESSARY MEASURES" TO FORCE IRAQ OUT OF OCCUPIED KUWAIT IF SADDAM FAILS TO LEAVE BEFORE JANUARY 15.

THERE HAVE BEEN CONFLICTING REPORTS ABOUT WHETHER SADDAM HAS THE ABILITY TO DETECT THE STEALTH FIGHTER BOMBERS BY USING TECHNOLOGY PROVIDED BY FRANCE BEFORE THE GULF CRISIS BROKE OUT.

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#90333h0117 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

OTTAWA, (NOV. 29) XINHUA - CANADA'S TWO MAJOR OPPOSITION PARTIES HAVE SHARPLY CRITICIZED THE GOVERNMENT'S PLAN TO ENDORSE U.N. GO-AHEAD FOR MILITARY OFFENSIVES IN THE PERSIAN GULF, CANADA'S NATIONAL DAILY, GLOBE AND MAIL, REPORTED TODAY.

IT IS TOO SOON TO ABANDON THE INTERNATIONAL SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ AND RESORT TO MILITARY OFFENSIVES, AND CANADA SHOULD NOT BE LEADING THE CHARGE, LIBERAL PARTY OPPOSITION LEADER HERB GRAY SAID IN A PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE ON THE GULF CRISIS WEDNESDAY.

'WHILE IRAQ IS A DANGEROUS ENEMY ... THE UNITED STATES IS A DANGEROUS ALLY' WHOSE POLITICAL LEADERSHIP HAS BEEN ENTHUSING ABOUT WAR LIKE 'A KIND OF FOOTBALL GAME,' NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY CRITIC JOHN BREWIN SAID.

FOLLOWING THE LEAD OF THE UNITED STATES, CANADA HAS SENT THREE WARSHIPS AND 18 F-18 FIGHTER JETS TO JOIN THE U.S.-LED MULTI-NATIONAL FORCES IN THE GULF.

CANADIAN FOREIGN MINISTER JOE CLARK IS EXPECTED TO CONFIRM TODAY AT THE U.N. THAT CANADA WILL SUPPORT A U.S.-LED MOTION IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL THAT WILL AUTHORIZE THE USE OF FORCE AGIANST IRAQ, POSSIBLY AS SSON AS JANUARY 16, IF IRAQ DOES NOT WITHDRAW FROM KUWAIT.

DURING THE PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE, CLARK ARGUED THAT CANADA MUST BE REALISTIC AND FACE ITS RESPONSIBILITY.

THE PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE AND SHARP DIVISION OF FOREIGN POLICY POSITIONS WERE TRIGGERED BY THE GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSAL WEDNESDAY THAT THE CANADIAN PARLIAMENT ENDORSES THE EXISTING U.N. SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ AND ANY FUTURE ACTIONS THE U.N. AUTHORIZES.

'THE GOVERNMENT IS ASKING TOO MUCH.... WE WILL NOT GIVE THE GOVERNMENT A BLANK CHEQUE FOR ANY AND ALL ACTION,' GRAY SAID, EMPHASIZING THAT HIS PARTY WANTS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, LED BY THE PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE PARTY, TO SEEK SPECIFIC PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL BEFORE SENDING CANADIAN FORCES INTO OFFENSIVE ACTION IN THE GULF.

HOWEVER, THE CONSERVATIVE GOVERNMENT, WITH ITS MAJORITY OF MORE THAN 10 MEMBERS IN THE 269-SEAT HOUSE OF COMMONS, IS CONSIDERED CERTAIN TO WIN ANY

VOTE ON THE DEBATE TODAY.

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#90333h0123 11/29/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LONDON, (NOV. 29) XINHUA - VOTINGS AT THE 36TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC ASSEMBLY REJECTED A PROPOSED NATO FUTURE ROLE TO OPERATE OUTSIDE OF ITS AREA.

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Nightline (ABC) November 21, 1990 (Transcript #2478)

People Trapped in Kuwait: Four Americans, a Briton and two Kuwaitis trapped in Iraqi occupation of Kuwait tell what they've seen happen, how they live and their view of the Persian Gulf crisis; update on November 20, 1990 medical facilities report.

Crossfire (CNN) November 21, 1990 (Transcript #187)

Jail for the Junk Bond King: Lawyer and economist Glenn Yago and syndicated columnist Ben Stein discuss Michael Milken's jail sentence for securities violations and his case in general.

South Africa Now (PBS) November 21, 1990 (Transcript #37)

Mozambique refugees being sold as slaves; conclusion of an investigation into allegations that the government allowed hit squads; a critique of ABC's coverage of Nelson Mandela's U.S. visit; South Africa and Czechoslovakia; Bhundo Boys.

Larry King Live (CNN) November 21, 1990 (Transcript #175)

''Should Beggars Pay to Beg?'' (Tony Senecal, Mayor of Martinsburg, West Virginia, and David Hayden, homeless advocate, debate the Mayor's proposal to

compel street beggars to obtain a license to beg); ''Home Movie -- A Family's Drug Tragedy'' (Tim, Christina and Mary Mosner discuss the problems of Tim's drug addiction and a family home movie made about it with Dr. Don Levy, a psychotherapist).

Good Morning America (ABC) November 21, 1990 (Transcript #1158)

From the flight line; Israel's Gulf policy; tent city; togetherness (phone calls home); Home Alone review; Tom, Steve, Ted and Robin (Three Men and a Little Lady stars); signs of life; living space; profile of a pilot (Capt. Tim Saffold); the gun; women in the military; homey touches; Julia's cranberry relish; New Kids on the Block interview; desert rap.

Sally Jessy Raphael November 21, 1990 (Transcript #578)

Black Widow Murders: Families of murder victims allegedly killed by their wives for their life insurance or possessions share their stories. One woman allegedly killed two of her husbands and buried them in her yard. Another woman fell in love with a 16-year-old, who later killed her husband so she wouldn't have to get a divorce.

Oprah Winfrey Show November 21, 1990 (Transcript #1093)

Linda Evans on Romance: Linda Evans, star of Dynasty and the television movie I'll Take Romance, and pianist-composer Yanni share their real-life romance stories.

Donahue November 21, 1990 (Transcript #3082)

He's Holding Casting Calls to Find a Wife: Two men and the matchmakers they hired explain the whys and wherefores of their search for the perfect wife. Three of the top candidates the matchmakers found for each man explain the process from their view.

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Nightline (ABC) November 22, 1990 (Transcript #2479)

Thanksgiving Day, 1990: President George Bush visits U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia for Thanksgiving, his staunch ally British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher resigns after 11 years, and letters from U.S. troops and sailors at the front.

Crossfire (CNN) November 22, 1990 (Transcript #188)

The Pressure on the President: Sidney Blumenthal of New Republic and Craig Fuller, Chief of Staff for President Bush, discuss how President Bush's policies on the Gulf and the budget deficit have affected the legacy of the Bush presidency.

Primetime Live (ABC) November 22, 1990 (Transcript #168)

''Whom to Blame?'' (VA protects its doctors); Thatcher farewell; ''Bill and Sam and Willie and Joe'' (cartoonist Bill Maudlin in the Gulf); ''Phone Wars'' (AT&T vs. MCI vs. Sprint); ''Bravo Company'' (soldiers and wives).

Good Morning America (ABC) November 22, 1990 (Transcript #1159)

Desert Thanksgiving; Thatcher resigns; ''Hi, Dad!'' (video greetings); desert basketball; reactions to the President's speech; army brothers and mom; Thanksgiving dinner.

Face to Face With Connie Chung November 22, 1990 (Transcript #44)

''Newman & Woodward: Still Together After All These Years'' (interview with Paul Newman and Joanne Woodward, married and making movies for 32 years, including their thoughts on show business, marriage and new challenges for them now at ages 65 and 60); ''Children of the Dark: Killer Sun'' (story of two children with a genetic disease which makes sunlight a deadly threat and how their parents have rearranged their lives to live happily and lovingly in the dark to keep their daughters safe); ''Kevin Costner: New American Hero'' (actor and director Kevin Costner, who is now thought to be a leading man and box-office draw in Hollywood, talks about moviemaking and his ideals in movies and in real life).

Larry King Live (CNN) November 22, 1990 (Transcript #176)

''Shari Lewis'' (the puppeteer introduces her new puppet, Baby Lambchop, does magic tricks and discusses music, her latest book, and her career); ''Dinah Shore'' (talks about her latest cookbook, her golf tournaments and her singing career); ''Zoologist Desmond Morris on Our Place in Nature'' (author of Animalwatching discusses animal behavior, why humans should care about other animals and what we can learn from them).

Oprah Winfrey Show November 22, 1990 (Transcript #1094)

M.C. Hammer (Repeat-#1026): Rap artist M.C. Hammer performs his hit songs and talks about his success.

Donahue November 22, 1990 (Transcript #3083)

Mr. Mom Fights Back: A stay-at-home father has filed a discrimination suit against a community center that would not let him join its new mothers' group.

Geraldo November 22, 1990 (Transcript #831)

Fabulous Fakes and Geraldo Look-Alikes (Repeat-#697): Celebrity look-alikes discuss why they impersonate and what it does for the celebrities and the public; look-alikes include Modonna, Cher, George Burns, Joan Rivers, Pope John Paul, Michael Jackson, Burt Reynolds and Diana Ross; Joan Rivers discusses how she feels about being impersonated.

Sally Jessy Raphael November 22, 1990 (Transcript #579)

I Hate Being a Twin (Repeat-#534): Identical twins talk about the trials and tribulations of looking exactly like their sibling.

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Nightline (ABC) November 23, 1990 (Transcript #2480)

U.S.-Syrian Alliance of Convenience an Uneasy One: Concern raised over George Bush's Geneva meeting with Hafez al-Assad of Syria, who has been accused of sponsoring and harboring terrorists, asking him for Arab participation in the anti-Iraq alliance.

This Week with David Brinkley (ABC) November 25, 1990 (Transcript #474)

''Thatcher's Resignation (resigns after 11 years as British Prime Minister -- what are the implications for Britain and future relations with the U.S.?); ''Bush's Gulf Visit'' (what was accomplished?).

Wall Street Journal Report November 25, 1990 (Transcript #426)

''Street Fighters'' (stock market bulls and bears); ''Chunnelvision'' (report on Channel tunnel); ''End of an Era?'' (Milken's prison sentence); ''Tom's Turkey'' (Tom Peters); '''Tis the Season'' (Christmas catalog shopping).

Washington Week in Review (WETA) November 23, 1990 (Transcript #139)

Margaret Thatcher bows out as Prime Minister, as East and West sign landmark treaty; Michael Milken gets 10-year prison sentence; more smokers than ever are kicking the habit.

Inside Albany November 25, 1990 (Transcript #212)

Senator Ralph Marino and Assembly Speaker Mel Miller talk about the budget cuts. Republicans are rethinking their position on campaign financing in New York State.

Adam Smith's Money World November 23, 1990 (Transcript #708)

The Gulf Crisis -- Blockades' Last Chance: Can sanctions work? Is the noose tight enough for Saddam Hussein? Can sanctions alone make him leave Kuwait? What has history taught us about sanctions? Can the embargo solve the problem in the Middle East? Business World (ABC) November 25, 1990 (Transcript #211)

Michael Milken's legacy: the death of the junk bond market; will mail-order

suffer with the rest of retailing?; comedian Jackie Mason; Milli Vanilli scandal unveils the extent of studio dubbing in music.

Crossfire (CNN) November 23, 1990 (Transcript #189)

Where's America Headed?: Foreign policy analyst Ted Carpenter and syndicated columnist Ben Wattenberg discuss American foreign policy in the post-cold war era.

60 Minutes (CBS) November 25, 1990 (Transcript #2311)

''Keep Your Mouth Shut'' (murder witness Steve Shores keeps silent for fear of retaliation and is convicted of the crime himself); ''Oliver's Story'' (profile of movie director and writer Oliver Stone); ''Friday Night Lights'' (Texas town is obsessed with high school football); ''A Few Minutes With Andy Rooney'' (some people like uniforms, some don't).

20/20 (ABC) November 23, 1990 (Transcript #1047)

''The Privileged Few'' (report on how the high cost of Clorazil keeps this new drug for schizophrenics from most who need it); ''Taking Back the Streets'' (how a volunteer ambulance corps in Bedford-Stuyvesant, Brooklyn, makes a difference); ''All About Ted'' (interview with actor Ted Danson); ''Whatever Happened to Renee Richards?''

Good Morning America (ABC) November 23, 1990 (Transcript #1160)

Golf-Mike-Alpha in Bahrain; Navy weather; Navy's Gulf mission; retailers' Christmas hopes; counseling the fleet; island of Bahrain; chronic fatigue syndrome; chat with the sailors; mother/son reunion; Coast Guard role in the Gulf; Navy medical facilities; Navy sack time; Linda Evans interview; final thoughts.

The West November 25, 1990 (Transcript #200)

''Battle of Tongass'' (environmental battle in Alaska); ''Dental Scam'' (unlicensed dentists setting up in Texas); ''Cocaine Alley'' (drug trafficking through Tucson).

Science & Technology Week (CNN) November 25, 1990 (Transcript #42)

Recycled steel; Saturn storms; nuclear sea pollution; elephant intelligence; solar energy; computer sculpture design; California sea lions.

Pharmacy Rounds November 25, 1990 (Transcript #2)

Principles of Diabetes Management (Part 2): Diabetes care requires attention to patients' lives, eating habits, exercise and medication, but with

improvements in monitoring, therapy and the involvement of physicians and pharmacists, the future is brighter.

America's Black Forum November 24, 1990 (Transcript #8)

Mayor Marion Barry of Washington, D.C. tells his side of the story and says that he is optimistic about his future; the homicide of young blacks is being considered a health problem.

A World of Ideas with Bill Moyers November 25, 1990 (Transcript #238)

Ernie Cortes (Part 2): Ernie Cortes teaches Latinos, community groups, ordinary citizens and congregations about politics and public life, and how to organize and develop power to achieve their own aims and goals.

Weekend Travel Update November 25, 1990 (Transcript #10)

Women's organizations protest Asian Airlines' ads as being sexist; lots of good deals in the travel industry because of the economy; cruise ships unsafe; Bio Bio River in danger; Nevada ghost towns.

Health Week (CNN) November 24, 1990 (Transcript #42)

Argument over chronic fatigue syndrome; hearing on ban of RU- 486; mixed blessings - thical questions about genetic testing; those with mental disorders are often substance abusers, too.

Like It Is (WABC-TV) November 25, 1990 (Transcript #789)

The Demise of Freedom National Bank: Two prominent African- American clergymen and a Brooklyn community activist discuss the impact of the close of Harlem-based Freedom National Bank plus broader issues involved.

Larry King Live (CNN) November 23, 1990 (Transcript #177)

''Art Buchwald'' (discusses his breach of contract lawsuit against Paramount Studios); ''Alex Trebek'' (host of Jeopardy! talks about the program and The Jeopardy! Book).

Oprah Winfrey Show November 23, 1990 (Transcript #1095)

Cowabunga! It's the Ninja Turtles!: Donatello, Leonardo, Michelangelo and Rafael thrill their fans with their hit songs, clips from their popular cartoon show and footage from their concert tour.

Geraldo November 23, 1990 (Transcript #832)

Black Beauties (Repeat-#696): Well known black beauties such as Eartha Kitt;

Carol Gist, Miss USA 1990; Renee Tenison, Playboy Playmate of the Year; Sabrina Labeauf, Sandra Huxtable on The Cosby Show; and several former models discuss how they reached the top despite the difficulties of being black.

Sally Jessy Raphael November 23, 1990 (Transcript #580)

The Encyclopedia of Bad Taste: Michael and Jane Stern, authors of The Encyclopedia of Bad Taste, define bad taste and host a show-and-tell of tacky and tasteless objects and fashions, such as Spam, platform shoes and Elvis memorabilia. Also, three hairdressers compete to see who can create the tallest hairdo in one minute.

Donahue November 23, 1990 (Transcript #3084)

Corbin and Collin Bernsen: Actor brothers Corbin and Collin Bernsen talk about growing up together, their relationship with their actress mother, their plans for joint projects and their families.

Monday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Sylvester Stallone and Son (Part 2) Sally Jessy Raphael: Older Women Who Prefer Young Lovers Geraldo: What Really Happened to the Class of '65? Oprah Winfrey: The 1990 Oprah Winfrey Follow-Up Show

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Nightline (ABC) November 26, 1990 (Transcript #2481)

Poland's Presidential Race -- Run-Off Surprise: Poland's upsetting presidential vote produces no clear win for Walesa, a loss for Prime Minister Mazowiecki, and an unknown and controversy-ridden second-place candidate, Stan Tyminski, forcing a run-off.

Crossfire (CNN) November 26, 1990 (Transcript #190)

If Saddam Gets the Bomb: Military policy analyst James Blackwell and nuclear arms analyst Leonard Spector discuss Saddam Hussein's potential nuclear weapons capabilities and whether that is reason enough for the U.S. to go to war.

Larry King Live (CNN) November 26, 1990 (Transcript #178)

U.S. Persian Gulf Policy: Diplomacy or War?: Judith Kipper, Middle East analyst, and Bruce Van Voorst, senior correspondent for national security affairs for Time, discuss U.S. diplomatic and military options for dealing with Saddam Hussein.

AIDS Quarterly (WGBH) November 26, 1990 (Transcript #6)

''The Crisis in Poland'' (AIDS in Catholic Poland where condom use is almost non-existent, intravenous drug use and unemployment are high and the health care system is ''a disaster''); ''To Live With AIDS'' (monologue by author Edmund White).

American Experience (WGBH) November 26, 1990 (Transcript #307)

The Iron Road: This film chronicles the construction of the railroad that tied East to West in the U.S. just after the Civil War, profiling the founders, financiers and the immigrant laborers who completed it in 1869.

Good Morning America (ABC) November 26, 1990 (Transcript #1161)

Traffic war; Miami Beach drug war; Ireland's President-elect (Mary Robinson); Recession-Proofing Your Life (Part 1)(preserving cash); Bronson Pinchot interview; fire in Denver; Michael and Kitty Dukakis interview; holiday decorating; chicken chili; holiday tips/Christmas mail for the troops.

Donahue November 26, 1990 (Transcript #3085)

Sylvester Stallone and Son (Part 2): The second of two shows with Sylvester Stallone and his son Sage, who talk about the movie business and the personal challenges of life.

Geraldo November 26, 1990 (Transcript #833)

What Really Happened to the Class of '65?: Geraldo goes to his 25-year college reunion at the University of Arizona where he takes a look at the differences between 1965 and today with the help of Craig T. Nelson, Alley Mills and Judy Collins.

Sally Jessy Raphael November 26, 1990 (Transcript #581)

Older Women Who Prefer Young Lovers: Women in their 40s, 50s and 60s explain why they prefer dating men who are 20 -- sometimes 30 -- years their junior. Not only are they more fun to be with, they say, but they're better in bed. Also, two men in their 20s who date women in their 40s and 50s talk about what it is they like about older women. They feel they are more mature, mentally and sexually.

Oprah Winfrey Show November 26, 1990 (Transcript #1096)

The 1990 Oprah Winfrey Follow-Up Show: Follow-ups on the guests from past Oprah Winfrey Shows, including the most asked about show on eligible Alaskan men.

Tuesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Reshaping America's Males Sally Jessy Raphael: My Mother and Father Are Brother and Sister Geraldo: Polygamy: Harems in the Heartland Oprah Winfrey: Celebrities and Their Best Friends Nova: We Know Where You Live Frontline: High Crimes and Misdemeanors (Iran-Contra scandal)

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OSAKA (NOV. 29) KYODO - MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO. AND MATSUSHITA ELECTRONICS CORP. SAID THURSDAY THEY WILL SEND CUSTOMERS NEXT SPRING A SAMPLE SHIPMENT OF A NEW GENERATION OF COMPUTER MEMORY CHIPS, THE 16-MEGABIT DYNAMIC RANDOM ACCESS MEMORY (DRAM).

THEY ALSO SAID MASS PRODUCTION OF THE POWERFUL NEW CHIP, WHICH CAN STORE 16 TIMES MORE INFORMATION THAN THE HIGHEST-CAPACITY MODELS NOW IN COMMERCIAL

PRODUCTION, WILL BEGIN IN 1992 AT A NEW MATSUSHITA ELECTRONICS PLANT IN TONAMI TOYAMA PREFECTURE.

WITH THE MOVE, THE MATSUSHITA GROUP AIMS TO CATCH UP WITH NEC CORP., TOSHIBA CORP., AND OTHER RIVALS, WHICH HAVE ALREADY FINISHED DEVELOPING 16M DRAMS AND ARE READY TO START COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION.

CURRENTLY, THE GROUP PRODUCES 1-MEGABIT AND 4-MEGABIT DRAMS AT MATSUSHITA ELECTRONICS' UOZU PLANT IN TOYAMA PREFECTURE.

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#90333k0058 11/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 29) KYODO - KOBE STEEL, LTD. SAID THURSDAY IT HAS AGREED WITH SOVIET RESEARCHERS TO COOPERATE AND TO EXCHANGE STAFF FOR THREE YEARS FROM 1991.

ACCORDING TO KOBE STEEL OFFICIALS, THE COMPANY HAS HAD TIES IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COOPERATION WITH A STATE-AFFILIATED RESEARCHERS' GROUP IN THE SOVIET UNION CALLED GKNT SINCE 1979.

THE NEW AGREEMENT IS AN EXTENSION OF SUCH TIES, AND RESEARCHERS FROM BOTH SIDES WILL COOPERATE IN SUCH STUDY AREAS AS NEW MATERIALS AND BIOTECHNOLOGY DURING THE PROPOSED THREE YEARS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90333k0060 11/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 29) KYODO - JAPAN HAS DECIDED TO LOWER TARIFFS ON IMPORTS OF LEATHER PRODUCTS IN RESPONSE TO THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY'S LONG-STANDING DEMAND, OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) SAID THURSDAY.

BUT THE OFFICIALS REFUSED TO SAY HOW LARGE THE REDUCTION MARGINS WILL BE.

"WE CANNOT REVEAL THE FIGURES AT THE MOMENT SINCE WE HAVE NOT YET OFFERED THEM TO THE EC," ONE OFFICIAL SAID.

JAPAN WILL TABLE THE OFFER DURING THE URUGUAY ROUND OF MULTILATERAL TRADE TALKS OVER MARKET ACCESS TO BE HELD IN BRUSSELS BEFORE THE DECEMBER 3-7 MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT).

TOKYO MAINTAINS A TWO-TIER TARIFF SYSTEM FOR IMPORTS OF LEATHER SHOES AND OTHER LEATHER PRODUCTS, UNDER WHICH HIGHER TARIFFS ARE IMPOSED ON THE IMPORTS THAT SURPASS A FIXED QUOTA.

FOR INSTANCE, A TARIFF OF 27 PERCENT IS IMPOSED ON UP TO 4,120,000 PAIRS OF IMPORTED LEATHER SHOES. A TARIFF, WHICH IS EITHER 60 PERCENT OF IMPORT PRICE,

OR 4,800 YEN PER PAIR, WHICHEVER IS HIGHER, IS THEN IMPOSED ON THE IMPORTS OVER THAT.

THE MITI OFFICIALS SAID THE PROPOSAL FOR TARIFF CUTS WILL STILL BE FAR FROM THE EC'S DEMAND OF LOWERING THE HIGHER TARIFF RATE TO BELOW 20 PERCENT.

THE GOVERNMENT WILL ALSO BOOST THE SUBSIDIES TO THE CONCERNED DOMESTIC INDUSTRIES BY INCREASING THE DEBT GUARANTEE FUND, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE ALLOCATION FOR INCREASED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE JAPANESE LEATHER INDUSTRIES WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET FOR FISCAL 1990, THEY SAID.

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#90333k0080 11/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KATHMANDU (NOV. 29) KYODO - THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WILL PROVIDE NEPAL WITH A NEW GRANT OF 3,704 MILLION YEN FOR VARIOUS SOCIO-ECONOMIC PURPOSES, THE NEPALESE FINANCE MINISTRY ANNOUNCED THURSDAY.

NOTES TO THIS EFFECT WERE SIGNED AND EXCHANGED BY THE TWO GOVERNMENTS IN THE NEPALESE CAPITAL THE SAME DAY.

THE GRANT WILL BE UTILIZED FOR THE EXPANSION OF A TEACHING HOSPITAL, THE CONSTRUCTION OF SIX RIVER BRIDGES IN THE KATHMANDU VALLEY, AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES AND FISH FARMING, A PRESS RELEASE ISSUED BY THE MINISTRY SAID.

JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO NEPAL KAZUAKI ARICHI SAID THAT SINCE JAPAN'S OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE (ODA) HAS GROWN DRASTICALLY IN RECENT YEARS, THE QUESTION OF HOW THE MONEY IS SPENT HAS BECOME A MATTER OF GREATER CONCERN.

ACTING FINANCE SECRETARY S.N. SHAH SAID JAPAN IS CURRENTLY ONE OF NEPAL'S MAIN SUPPORTERS IN ITS SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

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#90333k0087 11/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 29) KYODO - UNITED PARCEL SERVICE (UPS) OF THE UNITED STATES REJECTED THURSDAY AN OFFER FROM JAPAN'S TRANSPORT MINISTRY TO ALLOW IT FIVE CARGO FLIGHTS TO TOKYO A WEEK, MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

UPS HAS BEEN REQUESTING SIX SLOTS A WEEK AND PERMISSION TO DEPART LATE AT NIGHT FROM TOKYO'S INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN NARITA, SO IT CAN BE COMPETITIVE AGAINST JAPANESE CARRIERS IN THE EXPRESS DELIVERY BUSINESS.

THE MINISTRY SAYS THERE IS NOT ENOUGH CARGO SPACE AT NARITA TO GRANT UPS SIX FLIGHTS.

THE U.S. COMPANY, SAYING LATE NIGHT LANDINGS AND EARLY MORNING DEPARTURES WOULD MAKE PARCEL PICKUPS IN TOKYO DIFFICULT, WANTS TO DO THE REVERSE. LATE NIGHT FLIGHTS ARE BANNED AT NARITA, HOWEVER, OUT OF CONSIDERATION FOR AREA RESIDENTS.

UPS'S REJECTION HIGHLIGHTED A TRADE DISPUTE BETWEEN JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES. THE U.S. GOVERNMENT HAS SUSPENDED JAPAN'S ACCESS TO TWO ROUTES TO CHICAGO PENDING RESOLUTION OF THE CONFLICT.

THE NARITA ROUTE WAS GRANTED TO UPS AS PART OF A JAPAN-U.S. AGREEMENT IN WHICH THE U.S. ORIGINALLY AGREED TO GIVE JAPAN AIRLINES AND ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS THE CHICAGO ROUTE.

WASHINGTON HAS SO FAR REJECTED ENTRIES BY THE TWO JAPANESE CARRIERS IN CHICAGO.

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#90333k0088 11/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

JAKARTA (NOV. 29) KYODO - POLICE HAVE BANNED THE PERFORMANCE HERE OF A SATIRICAL COMEDY PLAY BY THE THEATER KOMA THEATER GROUP, THE FOURTH TIME THE GROUP HAS BEEN BANNED IN THE LAST THREE YEARS, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TROUPE SAID THURSDAY.

THE JAKARTA POST QUOTED A POLICE AREA CHIEF AS SAYING THE PLAY, CALLED "OPERA KECOA" MEANING "COCKROACH OPERETTA," WAS BANNED BECAUSE ITS SOCIAL CONTENT AND MESSAGE ARE SENSITIVE AND COULD CREATE PUBLIC UNREST.

"OPERA KECOA" TELLS THE STORY OF A POVERTY-STRICKEN TRANSVESTITE AND OTHER STREET PEOPLE.

NANO RIANTIARNO, 41, DIRECTOR OF THE TEATER KOMA DRAMA GROUP, SAID HE NEVER ANTICIPATED THAT THE POLICE WOULD BAN THE PLAY, DUE TO BE STAGED FROM NOVEMBER 28 TO DECEMBER 7.

SINCE THE TEATER KOMA GROUP WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1977, IT HAS BEEN PROHIBITED FROM PERFORMING PLAYS TWICE IN JAKARTA AND ONCE IN MEDAN, NORTHERN SUMATRA.

TEATER KOMA IS SCHEDULED TO PERFORM IN JAPAN FROM FEBRUARY 22 TO MARCH 7 NEXT YEAR AT THE INVITATION OF THE JAPAN FOUNDATION, BUT HAS NOT YET RECEIVED A REPLY FROM THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT TO ITS REQUEST FOR PERMISSION.

TEATER KOMA IS SCHEDULED TO PERFORM IN TOKYO, OSAKA, FUKUOKA, AND MAEBASHI, GUNMA PREFECTURE.

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#90333k0090 11/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 29) KYODO - JAPAN AND NORTH KOREA SIGNED AN AGREEMENT IN PYONGYANG ON THURSDAY TO OPEN A DIRECT CIRCUIT VIA SATELLITE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, NORTH KOREA'S KOREAN CENTRAL NEWS AGENCY (KCNA) SAID.

THE KCNA REPORT SAID THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED BY KIM YONG RYONG, CHIEF ENGINEER OF NORTH KOREA'S INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS BUREAU, AND YASUO KOSEKI, DIRECTOR OF KOKUSAI DENSHIN DENWA CO. (KDD).

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#90333k0093 11/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 29) KYODO - ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS CO. (ANA) SAID THURSDAY IT WILL LAUNCH A NEW ROUTE FROM DECEMBER 15 BETWEEN WASHINGTON D.C. AND ORLANDO, FLORIDA, WITH SIX FLIGHTS A WEEK IN A TIE-UP WITH USAIR INC.

THE FLIGHT TIME TO ORLANDO FROM TOKYO, VIA WASHINGTON, WILL BE AROUND 16 HOURS WITH THE RETURN FLIGHT TAKING ABOUT 17 HOURS AND 45 MINUTES, ACCORDING TO ANA.

THE ROUTE IS ABOUT ONE HOUR SHORTER THAN THE FLIGHT TIME FROM TOKYO TO ORLANDO VIA PORTLAND AND ATLANTA BY DELTA AIR LINES INC.

ORLANDO HAS SUCH SIGHTSEEING SPOTS AS DISNEYWORLD AND UNIVERSAL STUDIOS, AND MANY JAPANESE SIGHTSEERS CAN BE EXPECTED TO USE THE ROUTE, ANA SAID.

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#90333k0095 11/29/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

FUKUI (NOV. 29) KYODO - SEIREN CO. ANNOUNCED THURSDAY THAT IT HAS ENTERED INTO A BUSINESS TIE-UP WITH THE BELGIAN TEXTILE MAKER, DEWITTE LIETAER, ON KNITTED GOODS FOR USE IN AUTOMOBILES.

THIS IS THE FIRST SUCH KNITTED GOODS TIE-UP BETWEEN JAPANESE AND EUROPEAN MAKERS.

UNDER THE BUSINESS COOPERATION AGREEMENT, THE FUKUI-BASED JAPANESE KNITTED GOODS MAKER AND DYER WILL PROVIDE ITS BELGIAN PARTNER WITH KNITTING MACHINES AND TECHNIQUES.

THE BELGIAN FIRM WILL PRODUCE 200,000 METERS OF KNITTED GOODS PER MONTH, VALUED AT ABOUT 300 MILLION YEN, FROM NEXT AUGUST.

THE AGREEMENT ALSO PROVIDES FOR THE EXCHANGE OF DESIGN AND INFORMATION ON KNITTED GOODS FOR AUTO USES.

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TOKYO (NOV. 29) KYODO - TOKYO ELECTRIC POWER CO. SAID THURSDAY IT WILL START

DEVELOPMENT OF AN ADVANCED ELECTRIC POWER VEHICLE WHICH CAN RUN 500 KILOMETERS PER CHARGE BY NEXT AUTUMN.

ITS TARGETED TOP SPEED WILL BE ABOUT 180 KILOMETERS PER HOUR, THE SAME AS A GASOLINE-DRIVEN CAR. THIS WOULD MAKE IT THE FASTEST ELECTRIC POWER CAR IN THE WORLD, AND MORE THAN FIVE TIMES FASTER THAN A TYPE NOW UNDER DEVELOPMENT, ACCORDING TO COMPANY OFFICIALS.

THE PLANNED VEHICLE WILL USE HIGH-POWERED NICKEL-CADMIUM BATTERIES INSTEAD OF CONVENTIONAL BATTERIES AND WILL HAVE MOTORS IN ITS WHEELS. THE CAR BODY WILL ALSO BE MADE OF TEMPERED PLASTIC TO MAKE IT LIGHTER THAN USUAL.

AT A PLANNED INVESTMENT OF ABOUT 600 MILLION YEN, THE NEW ELECTRIC CAR WILL BE EXHIBITED AT A MOTOR SHOW IN AUTUMN 1991, THE OFFICIALS ADDED.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 29) KYODO - NORTH KOREA TOLD THE SOVIET UNION IT IS PREPARED TO INDEPENDENTLY DEVELOP NUCLEAR ARMS SHOULD MOSCOW SET UP FULL DIPLOMATIC TIES WITH SEOUL, KOMSOMOLSKAYA PRAVDA REPORTED THURSDAY.

THE ORGAN OF THE KOMSOMOL (LENINIST YOUNG COMMUNIST LEAGUE OF THE SOVIET UNION) SAID IN A DISPATCH FROM PYONGYANG THAT NORTH KOREA MADE THE THREAT WHEN SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE MET HIS NORTH KOREAN COUNTERPART, KIM YONG NAM, IN PYONGYANG IN EARLY SEPTEMBER.

DESPITE THE THREAT, THE SOVIET UNION AND SOUTH KOREA ESTABLISHED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS ON SEPTEMBER 30.

NORTH KOREA RATIFIED THE 1970 (NUCLEAR) NONPROLIFERATION TREATY IN 1985 BUT IT HAS NOT ALLOWED THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY TO INSPECT ITS NUCLEAR FACILITIES TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE NOT BEING USED FOR WEAPONS PRODUCTION.

ACCORDING TO THE NEWSPAPER, EVEN SOVIET ATOMIC EXPERTS HAVE BEEN BARRED FROM NUCLEAR REACTORS IN THE SUBURBS OF PYONGYANG.

THE NEWSPAPER URGED THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT TO TAKE STIFFER MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT NORTH KOREA DOES NOT DEVELOP NUCLEAR ARMS.

THE SOVIET UNION HAS REPORTEDLY SUSPENDED ASSISTANCE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF FOUR NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS IN NORTH KOREA.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 29) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY &

ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei closes 341 points lower after being down more than 800. stocks overseas are slightly lower. ... Bonds slip overnight, with the long yield up to 8.45%. ... The dollar is stronger. ... North Sea crude is up 10 cents to $33.10. ... Italian financier GIANCARTO PARRETTI has expressed interest in buying MCA despite the company's agreement to sell to MATSUSHITA. Analysts generally discount the talk. ... CBS is said to be weighing a possible repurchase program for its stock. ... MERRILL LYNCH declares an immediate freeze on hiring as well as on merit raises for their senior executives. ... AMERICAN EXPRESS opened its first travel bureau in eastern Germany on Wednesday.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT will release consumer spending data for October at 10 a.m. EST. It is expected to show a 0.1% rise, compared with a 1.1% increase in September. ... PRESIDENT BUSH hosts a reception to announce Star-Serve, an intiative to encourage community service by elementary school students. ... SUBARU OF AMERICA says it will trim its workforce by as much as 10%.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I am bullish on stocks and believe crude oil prices will easily fall below $23 a barrel in January and possibly to $16," says ROBERT ROBBINS of ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. in Atlanta. He believes that Saddam Hussein will quit rather than fight but either way he will be moved out of Kuwait. Robbins is looking for the Dow to move back to 2700 to 2800 by January and is sticking with an earlier prediction of 3200 by May. "I still think we are in one of the greatest bull markets of this century. I expect oil prices and inflation to come down and for the economy to be more resilient than most people think." ("Investor's Daily", 11/29)

"The direction of the market is up here," says MICHAEL METZ, market strategist at OPPENHEIMER & CO. "I think the bear market is over." Among the factors that have turned Mr. Metz bullish are signs that the dollar has bottomed against other currencies. A rising dollar should attract new foreign money to U.S. markets and leave the Federal Reserve with more leeway to loosen credit. (WSJ, 11/29)

Stock prices are headed higher even if the market does run into a couple of days of profit-taking, says DENNIS JARRETT, market strategist at KIDDER PEABODY. He says the upward trend won't end until the broader market shows signs of weakness greater than the industrial average. According to Mr. Jarrett the broader market remains relatively firm. "Certainly, we should get some warning [of the end of the rally], not an abrupt turn," he adds. (WSJ,

11/29)

FROM THE BEARS:

"We're probably having our year-end rally now and we'll probably have a selloff at year-end," says GEORGE BROOKS, editor of "Whisper on Wall Street" newsletter. "That would be contrary to the norm because there have only been seven times in the last 38 years that we have not had a year-end rally. ... I think we'll see a major bottom in 1991, probably after a relatively good January. ... I think we will sell off into February and March. ... I think the bear market will bottom out in the spring." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/28)

STOCK MARKET:

Stocks have now discounted the "coming of the best promoted recession in history," says FRED GORDON at the "Plain Talk Investor." "Better days lie ahead for the stock market," says Gordon: "[This has been] a severe downside correction with the framework of a bull market ... The bull's upward bias should prevail over the next year." Gordon would turn bearish if the Dow moved decisively below 2344-2365 or if interest rates reversed gears and headed higher. (CNBC "World Business", 11/29)

The U.N. resolution authorizing force will not effect the market because "it's already in the market," according to JOSEPH FESHBACH of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. He says "we're in a bear market rally," and predicts the Dow will climb through the end of the year, but warns, "there's probably not that much upside left." (NYT, 11/29)

A U.N. declaration has investors thinking about the possibility of a January war. "Keep your powder dry," advises GRUNTAL's ALAN ACKERMAN. "Investors realize that if war comes, the market will go off sharply and then probably rally. They also want to keep their powder dry if peace should come because then there will be some tremendous buying opportunities." Ackerman says the market faces a very uncertain period, but it is steadying down and has a better tone. (FNN "Business Tonight", 11/28)

If a shooting war erupts in the Middle East, "the stock market would go down initially and then have a fair size bull market," says PHILIP CARRET of CARRET & CO. Historically, markets have come on strong after initial drops in response to military action, according to Carret. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/28)

"It was a random-walk session [yesterday] in a random-walk week," says MICHAEL METZ at OPPENHEIMER. "It should be said, however, that the market has had excuses to go down, but has not. The market is looking for something to do and, come December, I think it's going to latch on to some sizable gains in the U.S. dollar. There's going to be a quiet creep back into the U.S. stock market by foreigners, although it's likely to be very surreptitious." ("The Washington Post", 11/29)

Weakness in U.S. and Japanese banks is a "technical concern" and poses no worldwide financial threat, says Swiss banker HANS BAER, chief executive at BANK JULIUS BAER. "I don't think we are worried about any domino effect on the world financial system," says Baer. "[But] it's a good thing that one talks about it -- whatever one talks about is not going to happen." (CNN "Business Day", 11/29)

"It was dull, like watching paint dry all day," MICHAEL BRONZINO of BRONZINO WOODWORTH INVESTMENTS says of yesterday's market "action." ("USA Today", 11/29)

STOCK TIPS:

WARREN BUFFETT is committing $25 million to the NATIONAL EQUITY FUND to help finance an estimated 750 homes for low-income families. "I look at it as an investment with pro-social aspects," says Buffett. "I don't view it in a philanthropic context." He expects to earn 15% to 20% a year for 10 years in the form of tax credits. ("USA Today", 11/29)

PIPER JAFFRAY & HOPWOOD analyst ROBERT KLEIBER repeats a "buy" opinion for SEIRRA ON-LINE, a California publisher of entertainment software. He also called its newest software game, KING'S QUEST 5, a "smash hit." The company jumped 2 1/2 to 16 1/2 yesterday. (WSJ, 11/29)

Toy company stocks are in the "Industry Spotlight" this morning in "USA Today." The article says analysts believe MATTEL, HASBRO, TYCO TOYS, TONKA and LEWIS GALOOB TOYS "might be ready to rebound." ("USA Today", 11/29)

"The food sector is not only outperforming a weak stock market, but providing investors with double-digit increases in dividends that have averaged 14 percent," says NOMI GHEZ of GOLDMAN, SACHS. "Were it not for the near doubling of oil prices, food company shares would be at their 52-week highs." (NYT, 11/29)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 29) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN told the House Banking Committee that despite possible benefits to the U.S. trade balance, "a weaker dollar also is a cause for concern." This news caused the dollar to rise yesterday. "If you listened carefully to all of his comments, there should have been a neutral effect" in the currency market, says DAVID JAQUES, senior corporate

trader ar BARCLAYS BANK in New York. Despite expressing concern for the dollar, he didn't mention direct intervention to support the U.S. currency, nor did he indicate the dollar's exchange rates would be an overriding concern in setting monetary policy. (WSJ, 11/29)

"We have not come to a conclusion" on whether to ease bank reserve requirements, but the central bank is "accelerating" its evaluation of the issue, says FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN in his testimony before the House on Wednesday. (WSJ, 11/29)

"The evidence suggests that the maximum real economic growth occurs with a stable, noninflationary economic and financial environment," says FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN. He says that "if that were consistent with easier monetary policy" then he would be in favor of lower rates. (NYT, 11/29)

In Greenspan's testimony about the economy, he admitted to easing because of economic weakness, according to BRIAN FABBRI of MIDLAND MONTAGU. "That's the first time the Fed has admitted to moving policy in the direction of ease because of economics." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/28)

CHARLES LIEBERMAN at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER SECURITIES expects economic data to continue to be very weak -- "we are in a recession, after all" -- and for the Fed to respond with easing "as the inflation news gets a bit better." But he says that, up to now, the Fed is not being generous in providing bank reserves and that keeps market interest rates high. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/28)

MAXIMILLIAAN BRINNINKMEYER, fixed-income portfolio manager for ONE FEDERAL ASSET MANAGEMENT in Boston, says interest rates are likely to fall further as the core rate of inflation declines. Still, he says, bond buyers need to be cautious because the best gains in bond prices have been realized. "We've already seen two-thirds of the gains" in long-term bond prices, he says, adding that he's being especially wary because bond market rallies "tend to go too far and trap some people." (WSJ, 11/29)

The Treasury's five-year note auction yesterday drew surprisingly strong demand for small investors. The amount of noncompetitive bids -- those which come mainly from individual investors -- totaled $835 million, the highest level for that maturity in several years. "It was really strong. It caught my eye right off the bat," says JOSEPH LIRO, money market economist at S.G. WARBURG SECURITIES, INC. Mr. Liro says the large noncompetitive bid reflects in part a perception by many investors that interest rates "over the next year are going to be moving lower" as the Federal Reserve attempts to stimulate economic growth by pushing down short-term interest rates. (WSJ, 11/29)

"Interest rates in general are moderately down in view of what is happening to the economy," says WALTER FRANK of DONOGHUE'S. "The markets are still concerned with the unresolved Middle East situation." (NYT, 11/29)

THE ECONOMY:

FED CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN says the economy took a "meaningful downturn" in October and November. But under questioning yesterday by a House committee, he added: "The world out there, when you look at the hard data, is not in as bad a shape as it feels. If the economy were as bad at this point, or was just about to get as bad, as a number of my friends and your friends keep telling us, we should see weaker numbers in a number of key areas. ... I don't think one dismisses people's views of the way the economy is going as being irrelevant. They are quite relevant. But they have, in the past, been wrong. And I think we have to be prepared for the possibility that it is being overdone. I don't want to take a position at this stage because, frankly, I don't know." ("The Washington Post", 11/29)

"He came about as close to saying we're in a recession as a Fed chairman ever will," says DAVID BERSON, chief economist at the FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION. ("USA Today", 11/29)

"I think what we're looking at is a gradual decline" in the economy, says FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN. "If it persists [it] will give us a fourth quarter GNP which is negative." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/28)

"You don't need a declining GNP for a recession to get underway," says IRWIN KELLNER of MANUFACTURERS HANOVER. "Five of the eight post-war recessions began with the GNP rising in what was ultimately determined to be the first quarter of recession." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/28)

"Inflation is not really a problem," says JOANNE PETERSON of BANKAMERICA. She says the "oil and food shocks" have been caused by the "perceptions of the Iraqi crisis." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/28)

"Durable-goods orders tend to have sharp volatility" as the 3.6% rise in October durable goods indicates, says SAMUEL KAHAN, chief financial economist at FUJI SECURITIES in Chicago. The latest figures, he says, "may cause some people to scratch their heads and say, are we seeing a significant slowdown or not? The truth is we are." (WSJ, 11/29)

U.S. construction contracting in October slid to its lowest level in four years, in a further sign that the economy is entering a recession, according to the F.W. DODGE DIVISION of McGRAW-HILL. The Dodge Index on construction contracting slipped 3% in October to 145, its lowest value in more than four years. So far this year, contracts for new building total $207 billion, off 10% from a year earlier. ("Investor's Daily", 11/29)

The CONFERENCE BOARD survey of Christmas gift spending shows a drop of 4% this year with the largest decline occurring in the Northeast. "Holiday joy is being tempered by continuing fears about the Middle East crisis and pending

federal tax increases," says FABIAN LINDEN, executive director of the board's consumer research center. He adds, "It may very well be that when all the lights are lit and carols are being sung, the gift-giving spirit will be stronger than suggested." The problem, says Linden, is that people are worried about their jobs: "Usually, on the question of will there be more jobs in the future, optimists outnumber pessimists by two-to-one. Now the reverse is true." (WSJ and CNN "Business Morning", 11/29))

"Don't count Santa out yet," says ALAN G. MILLSTEIN, editor and publisher of the "Fashion Network Report." "No one wants to be perceived as Scrooge when it comes to the kids and Grandma." Millstein also notes, "People are finding that last year's dollar buys more this year. The prices are a lot more appealing. [Retailers] are using everything to pull the customer in off the malls except a hook." ("Investor's Daily", 11/29)

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#90333p9220 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

OSLO, NORWAY (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Group Managing Director Egil Gade Greve has informed Den norske Bank's board of directors that he wishes to exercise his option to retire from his position in 1992, the bank announced. To ensure continuity, the board of directors has today recommended Finn A. Hvistendahl, executive vice president in Norsk Hydro, to the position of deputy group managing director and Greve's successor. The appointment will be made at a joint meeting between the bank's supervisory board and the board of directors on Dec. 11, 1990.

As group managing director, Greve will be responsible for the bank's operations through 1991. Hvistendahl will assume the position of deputy group managing director during the first quarter of 1991 and will have chief responsibility for planning the 1992 business year and future operations. The change of managing director will take place during the first half of 1992.

Hvistendahl (48) is executive vice president and a member of the corporate management of Norsk Hydro. He is currently a member of Den norske Bank's board of directors and has previously served on Bergen Bank's supervisory board and, from 1988, on Den norske Creditbank's board of directors. He is a graduate engineer and has held a number of managerial positions in the Hydro Group. From 1983 to 1987, he held the position of chief financial officer and was responsible for the group's financial planning and accounting.

In addition to his position on Den norske Bank's board of directors, Hvistendahl holds a number of non-executive posts within the Norwegian and international business communities. He has also been a member of the working committee of the Confederation of Norwegian Business and Industry.

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#90333p9231 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
DENVER (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Bull Run Gold Mines, Ltd. (NASDAQ: BULL), announced today that, at its annual meeting of shareholders, shareholders holding over 70 percent of the outstanding shares approved the sale to Independence Mining Company Inc. of substantially all of Bull Run's assets, consisting of its interest in the Big Springs joint venture.

Upon closing of the sale, scheduled for today, IMC will (i) pay Bull Run $6 million in cash, (ii) forgive all sums due from Bull Run pursuant to agreements with IMC related to the joint venture, which total approximately $3.3 million, and (iii) grant to Bull Run certain continuing royalty interests in the Big Springs property.

Norman Burmeister, Bull Run's president, stated: "We are pleased with the substantial shareholder support for the sale. Successful completion of the sale of our interest in the Big Springs joint venture will leave the company free of debt, with the cash and resources to pursue solid natural resource opportunities."

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#90333p9244 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Alamo Rent A Car announced today that, effective Dec. 1, 1990, it will be the first and only major car rental company to provide a choice of three money-saving options for consumers who opt to purchase loss, damage and theft protection, commonly called collision damage waiver, when renting a car for business or pleasure.

The nationwide launch follows a successful pilot program introduced last April when Alamo broke with the industry's tradition of "all or nothing" CDW. Alamo began to provide Florida and Hawaii renters with a first-ever-in-the-industry choice of three options varying in price from $3 to $6 to $9, instead of a one-choice product of as much as $13 per day as is still offered by all major car rental firms.

Collision Damage Waiver, or CDW, is an optional product available to renters who wish their responsibility for damage and theft of the rental vehicle waived, subject to the terms and conditions of the rental agreement.

CDW is generally purchased by those consumers who carry no personal auto insurance coverage, those whose personal credit cards do not provide collision damage protection, as well as those who prefer not to file claims for damage or theft with their own insurance carrier fearing a rise in premiums, policy review or even cancellation, depending on the size of the claim.

The three new consumer-protection products that make up the "Waiver Saver" series -- Maxi Waiver Saver, Waiver Saver 3000 and Waiver Saver 500 -- provide three choices of price and coverage options tailored to virtually every renter's needs.

Alamo's new Waiver Savers replace the traditional collision or loss damage waiver product now sold at virtually all car rental counters in the nation.

Alamo's Waiver Savers will be offered at all Alamo locations nationwide except those in Illinois, New York, Indiana or Texas due to constraints imposed by state law.

Long the leader in the leisure car rental industry, Alamo has built a reputation as the company offering the most attractive daily and weekly rates, as well as unrestricted, unlimited free mileage on all its cars, at all times.

Founded in 1974, Alamo Rent A Car is now the world's largest independently owned and operated rental car company and a leader in the leisure travel sector serving more than 5 million customers annually. It serves 92 percent of the nation's deplaning passengers in 90 locations in 36 states and the District of Columbia, as well as 27 locations in England and Scotland operated through its affiliated company, Guy Salmon Services, Ltd.

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#90333p9246 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MICH. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Something illuminating happens in Michigan this time of year. In a span of a few weeks, homes, stores, shopping malls and downtowns are transformed through the drama of holiday lighting.

Consumers Power Company estimates approximately 5 percent, or roughly 125 gigawatt-hours, of its December electrical load is attributed to the impact of the holiday season. Lighting demand in December comes from businesses and shopping malls which install special exterior and interior lighting displays and extend shopping hours. Consumers Power provides electric service to 275 cities and villages, many of which add streetlamps and other downtown holiday lights or displays. Extra demand can also be attributed to the fact that people decorate their homes and spend more time there due to the holidays and vacations.

"We talk a lot about how our residential customers benefit from rates which are in the bottom 20 percent of what the average U.S. customer pays for electric service," said Paul Elbert, vice president of marketing, rates and wholesale power transactions. "However, during the holiday season this fact is better illuminated."

Within a couple of weeks, about one million homes in Consumers Power Company's service territory will be decorated with an average of four strands of outdoor electric lights. If these lights glow for four hours each evening, the cost would be less than 2 cents per night for the mini-lights and about 6 cents for the larger bulbs. The cost would be comparable to having your porch light on for the same time period.

During the holiday season, more than one million Christmas trees will be put up in homes throughout Consumers Power's service territory. Each of these trees hosts an average of four strings of lights which are lit an estimated 5 to 6 hours each day for about 21 days. The electricity cost per hour per strand of the mini-lights is approximately one-tenth of a cent, making the total energy cost of powering the average Christmas tree for all 21 days of the season about 65 cents.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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#90333p9247 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Reuters today announced that its managing director and chief executive, Glen Renfrew, would retire on March 1, 1991, and be succeeded by Peter Job, now managing director, Reuters Asia. Job is 49 and has been with Reuters for 27 years. He is at present based in Hong Kong and will move to London in the new year.

Renfrew, who is 62, will be retiring on the tenth anniversary of his appointment to his present position and after nearly 39 years with the company.

Renfrew, an Australian, joined Reuters in London in 1952 after graduating from Sydney University. He served in various editorial and management roles in Asia, Africa and Europe and, between 1964 and 1971, managed Reuters' entry into the computer-based information business. He was manager of Reuters North America from 1971 until his appointment as chief executive.

Job was born in Exeter, England, and educated at Clifton College, Bristol, and Oxford University, where he took a degree in French and German.

He joined Reuters in 1963 and, after training in London and Paris, served as a correspondent and in editorial management posts in India, Malaysia, Indonesia, the United Kingdom and Latin America.

He moved into business management in 1974 and over the years assumed steadily

increasing responsibility across the full range of the company's activities and covering at one stage all of the world outside Europe and North America.

He directed Reuters' development in Asia and the Pacific, including its investment and expansion in Japan. When Reuters adopted time-zone management in 1988, he was appointed to his present position of managing director, Reuters Asia. He became an executive director of Reuters Holdings PLC on June 28, 1989.

Reuters Holdings PLC (NASDAQ: RTRSY) supplies the global business community and news media with a wide range of facilities including real-time financial data and transaction services, access to numeric and textual historical databases, news and news pictures. Reuters has a controlling interest in Visnews, the international television news agency, and Reuter Group companies design and install trading room systems. Reuters obtains information from around 160 exchanges and over-the-counter markets and from a network of 1,310 journalists, photographers and cameramen. Reuters distributes information through approximately 200,000 video terminals and teleprinters. This includes information directly transmitted to clients' computers.

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#90333p9249 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MI (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - A new United States patent, No. 4,968,359, has been issued to Southfield-based Bonal Technologies, Inc. for sub-harmonic stress relieving. Bonal Technologies, a wholly owned subsidiary of Bonal International, Inc., manufactures and markets Meta-Lax sub-harmonic stress relief and weld conditioning equipment.

In announcing the issuance of the new patent, A. George Hebel III, president of Bonal International, said, "This latest patent is a result of our ongoing research and development program. It represents an important step in the advancement of our proprietary energy-saving, non- thermal stress relieving and weld conditioning technology. We have also applied for sub-harmonic patents in nine other countries in Europe and the Pacific Basin."

Bonal Technologies recently announced a facilities expansion and the move of its research and development and electronic equipment assembly departments as well as marketing and administrative departments to Southfield. Welding and machining departments will remain at the company's original location in downtown Detroit and will expand into the areas vacated by the electronics, marketing and administrative departments.

Meta-Lax non-thermal, sub-harmonic stress relief systems provide a fast, low-cost alternative to energy-intensive furnace heat treating to neutralize

residual internal stresses in metal structures. Unlike heat treating, the Meta-Lax process is independent of the size of the object being stress relieved. The cost of sub-harmonic stress relief processing is negligible, and it can be accomplished in minutes compared with hours or days for heat treating.

In weld conditioning applications, the Meta-Lax sub-harmonic process improves and strengthens welded components. Mild vibrations applied to components as they are being welded accelerate the atomic activity in the metal to condition the welds. This unique vibratory action prevents weld cracking and embrittlement, eliminating major problems in welded structures.

Bonal International, Inc. is a designated security trading in the over-the-counter market with CUSIP No. 097-770-101.

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#90333p9250 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Mary Kay Corporation announced today that it has extended the expiration date for the tender offer of its 15 percent discount debentures to midnight, EST, Dec. 3, 1990.

As of midnight EST, Nov. 27, 1990, approximately $157,136,000 aggregate principal amount of Discount Debentures have been tendered.

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#90333p9252 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MI (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Autodie Corporation (NASDAQ: ADIE) today reported fourth-quarter and year-end results for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

The manufacturer of large-scale tools and dies reported a loss of about $1.5 million, or 28 cents per share, on sales of $25 million for the fourth quarter. That compares with net income of about $2 million, or 39 cents per share, on sales of about $33.5 million for the same period last fiscal year.

The company posted a loss of about $21.1 million, or $4.10 per share, on sales of about $107 million for fiscal 1990. That compares with net income of about $5.4 million, or $1.05 per share, on sales of about $121 million for fiscal 1989.

President and Chief Executive Officer Joseph Spruit said the fourth- quarter results indicate that the company is on track to regaining profitability.

While Autodie lost money in the fourth quarter, the results were significantly better than the $14.8 million in losses that the company posted in the third quarter ended May 31, 1990.

"Fiscal 1990 is behind us now, and we are confident that the company's situation will improve markedly in 1991," Spruit said.

Autodie is a leading manufacturer of large-scale custom stamping dies and injection and compression molds. Autodie and its wholly owned subsidiary, Autobond Corporation, employ about 750 people.

AUTODIE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	Year Ended		Quarter Ended	
	8/31/90	8/31/89	8/31/90	8/31/89
Sales	$107,417,289	$121,075,855	$25,200,269	$33,506,852
Cost of sales	111,484,780	94,685,642	22,159,783	25,524,624
Gross margin (loss)	(4,067,491)	26,390,213	3,040,486	7,982,228
Selling, general & administrative expenses	7,631,521	6,621,179	1,846,866	1,838,652
Income (loss) from operations	(11,699,012)	19,769,034	1,193,620	6,143,576
Interest expense	14,186,953	12,936,230	3,430,034	3,262,196
Other income (expense) - net	1,640,500	611,135	351,670	(71,324)
Income (loss) before income tax	(24,245,465)	7,443,939	(1,884,744)	2,810,056
Federal income tax (credit)	(3,132,293)	2,013,000	(426,293)	765,000
Net income (loss)	($21,113,172)	$5,430,939	($1,458,451)	$2,045,056
Net income (loss) per share	($4.10)	$1.05	($0.28)	$0.39
Weighted average shares outstdg.	5,151,400	5,151,400	5,151,400	5,151,400

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ST. PAUL, MN (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrill Corporation (NASDAQ: MRLL) today announced record operating results for the three- month and nine-month periods

ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Revenue for the third fiscal quarter was $26,614,000, the highest quarterly revenue in the company's history, and an increase of 41 percent from $18,913,000 in the third quarter a year ago. Net income for the quarter was $779,000, or 22 cents per share, compared to $20,000, or one cent per share, last year.

Revenue for the first nine months was $74,382,000, an increase of 50 percent from $49,582,000 for the same period a year ago. Nine-month net income was $3,060,000, or 84 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $824,000, or 22 cents per share, last year. Last year's nine-month results included a non-operating charge of approximately $1.8 million, or 48 cents per share, from the write-off of the company's investment in Sorg, Inc.

Merrill President and CEO John Castro said, "To report record results in a period of sluggish demand for financial printing is very gratifying. In large part these results reflect the success of strategies to grow our financial printing business through acquisition, as well as bringing better balance to our sources of revenue through the expansion of commercial and other service areas."

Merrill Corporation is a leading provider of on-demand, 24-hour-a- day typesetting, printing, document reproduction and distribution services to financial, legal and corporate markets nationwide.

MERRILL CORPORATION FINANCIAL SUMMARY
(in thousands, except share and per share data)

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31,		Nine Months Ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$26,614	$18,913	$74,382	$49,582
Cost of sales	17,918	13,275	49,639	32,670
Gross profit	8,696	5,638	24,743	16,912
Selling, general & administrative expenses	7,319	5,628	19,816	15,280
Other income (expense)	(133)	30	59	238
Writedown of marketable equity securities				(1,792)
Income before tax provision	1,244	40	4,986	78
Provision for income tax	(497)	(16)	(1,994)	(802)
Minority interest	32	(4)	68	(100)
Net income (loss)	$779	$20	$3,060	$(824)
Net income (loss) per common and common				

equivalent share	$.22	$.01	$.84	$(.22)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	3,575,857	3,718,636	3,635,300	3,723,477

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EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Profits after exceptional items but before taxation at the Royal Bank of Scotland Group amounted to 262.2 million pounds sterling for the year to Sept. 30, 1990 (1989 - 228.2 million pounds), the Group announced today. Increased bad debt and investment provisions arising from the deterioration in the U.K. economy were the main factor reducing profit (before an exceptional credit) to 241.4 million pounds (1989 - 336.5 million pounds). Sales of rescheduling country debt during the year gave rise to a 20.8 million pound release of exceptional provisions made in previous years (1989 - charge of 108.3 million pounds).

Earnings per share, after exceptional items, were 21.1 pence (1989 - 19.9p). Extraordinary items provided additional profits of 34.6 million pounds. The dividend for the year has been raised by 16.7 percent to 8.4p per share.

Total assets have grown by 10 percent to 30.1 billion pounds. The Group's capital base remains strong with shareholders' funds of 1,508.4 million pounds and a total risk asset ratio of 11.6 percent.

-- Profit after the increased bad debt and investment provisioning but before exceptional items fell by 95.1 million pounds.

-- Profit before taxation increased by 14.9 percent to 262.2 million pounds.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Ciatti's, Inc. (NASDAQ: CIATU) President and Chief Executive Officer William C. Ferril today announced the election of Paul Baszucki to the board of directors of the company. Baszucki's nomination to the board was approved on Wednesday, Nov. 28, 1990 at the company's annual meeting of stockholders.

Baszucki is the chief executive officer of Norstan Inc., a telecommunications

company headquartered in the Minneapolis area.

CEO William C. Ferril commented, "We believe Paul will be a valuable asset to the company as he brings with him excellent management expertise. His record at Norstan has been outstanding."

Ciatti's Inc. is a Minneapolis-based corporation operating 10 Italian restaurants in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

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PORTLAND, OR (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Fone America (OTC Pink Sheets) will soon begin providing operator services in a five-state area served by Southwestern Bell Telephone, announced Peter Jacobs, president of the Portland-based telecommunications company.

Fone America has subscribed to Southwestern Bell Telephone's Operator Call Processing service to provide operator assistance for calls terminating outside of the company's calling areas, Jacobs explained.

"We anticipate generating revenue in excess of $5 million per year with our share of operator-assisted traffic in Southwestern Bell's territory," Jacobs said. "This and other recently signed agreements should have a very positive impact on Fone America's profit picture."

Fone America, a publicly-owned company, currently generates approximately $25 million in annual revenue, providing operator and information services primarily to hospitality, payphone and hospital markets in more than 30 states.

Southwestern Bell's Claudia Pinch explained that as a result of Southwestern Bell Telephone's new service offering, carriers other than AT&T will be given an opportunity to process operator assisted calls that terminate outside of Southwestern Bell's calling areas -- Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri and Kansas. The traffic would be approximately 60 million telephone calls per year, she added.

Pinch said AT&T had been the company's exclusive default carrier for operator services for all interstate and interLATA (Local Access and Transport Area) calls, but Southwestern Bell Telephone filed a tariff with the Federal Communications Commission to allow other companies to handle those types of operator-assisted calls.

"Southwestern Bell is one of the first local exchange carriers (LEC) in the country to provide this type of new business opportunity to alternative providers of operator-assisted services and we expect other LECs to do the

same," said Terry Trapp, Fone executive vice president. "It opens up an entire new market to us that wasn't available prior to the deregulation of the telephone industry."

Fone America is a publicly-owned company (traded over the counter pink sheets as 3FONA) and is recognized as one of the fastest growing operator services providers in the country, having grown from the 42nd to one of the top 10 companies of its kind in less than two years.

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COSTA MESA, CA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Headquarters, U.S. Air Force Command has announced the adoption of Parker Automotive Corp.'s (NASDAQ: PKRA) CarbonClean Industrial Diesel Tune system for worldwide use of U.S.A.F. motor vehicle maintenance organizations.

The implementation of this adoption will be through the U.S.A.F. Air Logistics Command, who has assigned a national stock number to CarbonClean Industrial Diesel Tune (IDT) and has caused the system to be included in the U.S.A.F. Table of Allowance.

Procurement of the product will be centralized through the U.S.A.F. Air Logistics Command, and will be funded by the Air Logistics Command rather than being funded by each individual U.S.A.F. base.

The U.S.A.F. intends to clean some 160,000 diesel vehicles with the CarbonClean system. Based on further discussions with the U.S.A.F., Parker Automotive expects to ship 458 machines to various U.S.A.F. facilities worldwide to accomplish the U.S.A.F.'s aims.

Michael E. Parker, founder and chairman of the board of Parker Automotive said "The Air Force has taken an important step in doing something about pollution. As the first U.S. government agency to implement the use of CarbonClean agency wide, the U.S.A.F. has acknowledged that CarbonClean has many advantages over the traditional manual method of cleaning fuel systems - and no disadvantages."

While the U.S.A.F. is implementing the product as a cost-reduction and efficiency-improving device, their recognition of the environmental benefits of CarbonClean is expected to set a trend that other government agencies might follow.

Parker Automotive Corp. looks for revenues of $3 to $4 million from this adoption in the near future, with the possibility of $10 to $11 million in

revenue per year from this outstanding account.

CarbonClean was tested for a lengthy period by the U.S.A.F. "MEEP" (Maintenance Equipment Evaluating Program) before being adopted and implemented into the Table of Allowance. During testing, the U.S.A.F. found that the product was vastly superior and more efficient than conventional fuel system cleaning methods.

Numerous independent agencies worldwide have tested the CarbonClean product families and in each case reported dramatic reductions in exhaust emissions and significant increases in fuel economy and performance.

Parker Automotive is headquartered in Costa Mesa. Manufacturing facilities are in Fountain Valley, Calif., and sales offices are maintained worldwide. Currently, CarbonClean products are used and distributed in more than 60 nations.

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COSTA MESA, CA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Automotive Corp. (NASDAQ: PKRA) announced today that it has agreed to enter into a long-term distribution agreement for its CarbonClean products in Spain and Portugal with Medosa Servicios, S.A., a domestic associate of the CEPSA group of companies. Medosa Servicios, S.A. has been assigned this project CEPSA and will coordinate the entrance of the remaining divisions of CEPSA into the project.

CEPSA Group is one of the most important industrial corporations in Spain. Its activities include all areas relating to the petroleum industry, which are carried out by the parent company and more than 40 inter-related companies. Total turnover in 1989 was over 450,000 million pesetas ($4.5 billion U.S.)

Today, CEPSA has two refineries, numerous petrol chemical plants, two plants for lubricants, three for packaging, one for manufacturing asphalts, 11 plastics processing plants, one fine chemical plant, four bunkering factories, six airplane supply stations, six commercial offices and an extensive network of service stations, all which provide the group with a strong brand image. CEPSA (Compania Espanola de Petroleos, S.A.) was established on Sept. 26, 1929. As of Dec. 31, 1989, company capital totaled 29,730,549,000 pesetas ($297,305,490, U.S.).

CEPSA's shares have been quoted on the continuous stock market as quantified listed securities since Sept. 1989. The degree of CEPSA's commercial development is rising. It supplies the national market of Spain from both inside and outside the scope of the monopoly, is active in marine ports and airports and carries out major export activity. More than 40 well-established

and diversified companies represent a structure integrated in the field of petroleum. Its activities span exploration, crude production to plastic processing and technological research in its own facilities.

The agreement with Parker Automotive Corp. (PAC) details the terms and conditions under which the companies shall work together and establishes annual goals. While there is no firm requirement for these goals to be met, PAC believes that there is no doubt that Medosa Servicios, S.A. will meet their goals and be the most successful distributor in their network.

The agreement is to be 20 years in duration, renewable for another 20 years upon the performance of certain conditions. As well, the agreement call for goals of $113 million U.S. of products in the first three years and approximately $50 million U.S. annually thereafter. Also in the agreement is a 90-day option for Medosa Servicios to distribute CarbonClean throughout France and Belgium on substantially similar terms and conditions to this agreement. If the option is exercised, an additional separate agreement will be negotiated.

Parker Automotive manufactures a line of products marketed under the CarbonClean name that are patented and proprietary. These products have proven to reduce emissions, increase fuel economy and improve maintenance management in tests around the world.

PAC suspended trading in its NASDAQ-listed securities Tuesday, Nov. 20 as too many parties were aware of the negotiations. The company wanted to wait until the agreement in principle was fully negotiated before the news of the magnitude of the agreement reached the public.

Parker Automotive is headquartered in Costa Mesa. Manufacturing facilities are in Fountain Valley, Calif., and regional sales offices are maintained worldwide.

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#90333p9265 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWOOD, MA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Groundwater Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: GWTI), a leading groundwater and soil remediation company, today reported record second quarter revenue and net income.

Net income for the three months ended Oct. 27, 1990 increased 33 percent to $2,663,000, or 33 cents per share, from $2,009,000, or 25 cents per share, in the same period in fiscal year 1990.

Gross revenues for the second quarter climbed 35 percent to a new high of $40,486,000 from $30,096,000 in the year earlier period. Net revenues

increased 29 percent to $30,246,000, a record high for the company, compared to $23,375,000 in the second quarter last year.

For the six months ended Oct. 27, 1990, net income increased 11 percent to $5,085,000, or 63 cents per share, compared to $4,574,000, or 56 cents per share, in the comparable period in fiscal year 1990.

Gross revenues for the six months increased 38 percent to $78,883,000 vs. $57,124,000 a year earlier. Net revenues increased 29 percent to $57,857,000 compared to $45,002,000 for the same period in fiscal year 1990.

"We believe the high revenues, record net income, and improving operating margins are strong indicators that we are dealing successfully with the challenges of managing our growth," said Ted Owens, senior vice president and chief financial officer.

Additionally, the company has an ongoing Stock Repurchase Program authorizing the repurchase of up to 5 percent of its common stock from time to time through open market purchases. The company purchased 171,000 shares of common stock during the second quarter for a total of 174,000 shares since beginning the program.

GROUNDWATER TECHNOLOGY, INC.
CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	13 Weeks Ended		26 Weeks Ended	
	Oct 27, 1990	Oct 28, 1989(a)	Oct 27, 1990	Oct 28, 1989(a)
Revenue:				
Services	$36,754	$26,473	$72,403	$50,412
Equipment	3,732	3,623	6,480	6,712
Total	40,486	30,096	78,883	57,124
Cost of revenue:				
Services	24,547	17,868	48,365	33,178
Equipment	2,539	2,489	4,578	4,315
Total	27,086	20,357	52,943	37,493
Gross Profi	13,400	9,739	25,940	19,631
Selling, general and administrative	9,787	7,248	19,257	13,802
Income from operations	3,613	2,491	6,683	5,829
Investment income, net	661	648	1,256	1,276
Other income (expense)	(33)	(48)	86	(44)
Income before provision for income taxes	4,241	3,091	8,025	7,061
Provision for income taxes	1,578	1,082	2,940	2,487
Net Income	$ 2,663	$ 2,009	$5,085	$4,574
Earnings per share	33 cents	25 cents	63 cents	56 cents

Weighted average shares outstanding	7,971	8,136	8,057	8,116

Note: (a)-Reflects reclassification of costs associated with the company's Bonus Performance Plan.

GROUNDWATER TECHNOLOGY, INC.
GROSS REVENUES VS. NET REVENUES
UNAUDITED
(000's)

	Fiscal Year 1991	
	Q2	Q1
Gross revenues	$40,486	$38,397
Cost of rebillables	10,240	10,786
Net revenues	30,246	27,611
Income from operations	3,613	$3,070
Operating income as a percentage of gross revenues	8.9	8.0
Operating income as a percentage of net revenues	11.9	11.1

	Fiscal Year 1990			
	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Gross revenues	$35,556	$31,194	$30,096	$27,028
Cost of rebillables	8,817	7,327	6,721	5,401
Net revenues	26,739	23,867	23,375	21,627
Income from operations	$2,769	$2,433	$2,491	$3,338
Operating income as a percentage of gross revenues	7.8	7.8	8.3	12.4
Operating income as a percentage of net revenues	10.4	10.2	10.7	15.4

	Fiscal Year 1989		
	Q4	Q3	Q2
Gross revenues	$26,109	$24,836	$24,006
Cost of rebillables	5,873	6,257	5,221
Net revenues	20,236	18,579	18,785
Income from operations	$3,144	$3,111	$3,291
Operating income as a percentage of gross revenues	12.0	12.5	13.7
Operating income as a percentage of net revenues	15.5	16.7	17.5

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HARTSDALE, NY (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Stratford Financial Group, Ltd. announced today it has been granted a 60 day extension to complete the proposed acquisitions of Tru-Chek Computer Systems, Inc. and Datafast Inc.

Stratford indicated that the combining of Tru-Chek and Datafast affords them the ability to effectuate substantial overhead savings. Both companies are in the data processing service bureau business with combined revenues of approximately $4.5 million.

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#90333p9270 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NAPERVILLE, IL (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FMBI) today announced the election of J. Stephen Vanderwoude, president, Centel Corporation, to its board of directors.

Vanderwoude joined Centel in 1971 and has held positions of increasing responsibility within the company. He was named to his current position in June 1989. Vanderwoude also serves as a director of Centel.

Centel Corporation, headquartered in Chicago, provides telecommunications services throughout the United States. The company operates local exchange telephone systems and numerous cellular communications properties. Additionally, Centel has electric operations in two states.

Vanderwoude is active in numerous professional and community activities. He is a member of the Economic Club of Chicago. He is a member of the board of directors of both Junior Achievement of Chicago as well as the Council of Advisors for the University of Illinois' College of Commerce and Business Administration. He also serves on the board of trustees of Roosevelt University in Chicago.

Vanderwoude holds an undergraduate degree in engineering from the University of Pennsylvania and has an MBA from the University of Chicago.

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EDEN PRAIRIE, MN (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation announced today that it has entered into a letter of intent to acquire and operate certain foreign subsidiaries of NBI, Inc. (NYSE: NBI) relating to NBI's foreign distribution and service operations for its systems business. Completion of the transaction is subject to final negotiation and approval of the CPT Bankruptcy Court.

NBI, headquartered in Boulder, Colo., has been a domestic and international manufacturer and distributor of computer equipment. CPT president and CEO, A.K. Dube said, "This acquisition will allow CPT to expand its already substantial international distribution and strengthen CPT's international presence at a nominal cost."

Terms were not disclosed.

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#90333p9273 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - North Carolina's Greensboro News & Record and Virginia's Roanoke Times & World-News join VU/TEXT's databank, increasing the total number of full-text newspapers online to 72.

Greensboro News & Record, VU/TEXT's second North Carolina database, provides coverage of Guilford County and the surrounding area. News bureaus are located in the cities of Raleigh, High Point and Winston-Salem as well as Rockingham, Alamance and Randolph counties.

The News & Record brings VU/TEXT subscribers local and regional coverage of economic, industry and business news. For example, stories about area textile, tobacco and furniture industries regularly appear in the paper. More specifically, information on major manufacturers and companies such as Burlington Industries, Cone Mills, Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance and Lorillard Tobacco may be found in the database.

Roanoke Times & World-News, VU/TEXT's seventh Virginia paper, gives VU/TEXT subscribers an exclusive resource for news and developments in southwest Virginia, New River Valley, Shenandoah Valley, Salem and Richmond. The Times & World-News serves as a good source for subscribers needing information on coal mining, railroads, area universities, and Virginia politics.

Specific companies located in the area receiving coverage by the Times & World-News include Norfolk Southern, Carilion Health Systems, Radford Army Arsenal, Appalachian Power Co., FiberCom, ITT, GE, Quibell, Hoescht Celanese, and Westvaco.

The Greensboro News & Record, code GRA, dates from Oct. 14, 1990, and Roanoke Times & World-News, code ROA, dates from Oct. 13, 1990. Cost to access either database is $1.80/minute for Option I and $2.20/minute for Option II subscribers.

VU/TEXT, a Knight-Ridder (NYSE: KRI) company, is the largest U.S. newspaper databank. For information on other newspapers available online call 1-800-323-2940.

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DALLAS (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph M. "Jody" Grant, former chief executive officer of Texas American Bancshares, will join EDS (NYSE: GME) as vice president and chief financial officer, effective Dec. 1. Grant will report to Senior Vice President Davis Hamlin, who has served as chief financial officer since 1986. Davis will devote more time to corporate policy matters as part of the EDS Leadership Council headed by Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Les Alberthal.

Grant brings extensive financial management experience to the CFO position, Hamlin noted. In his 14-year association with Texas American Bank and its parent, Texas American Bancshares, Grant rose to become chairman of the board and CEO of the $6.4 billion bank holding company. More recently, he served as executive vice president and chief systems officer for American General Corp., a $32 billion holding company in the life insurance, real estate and consumer finance industries.

"Jody Grant's depth of experience will strengthen EDS' financial organization and bring a new and fresh perspective to our financial activities," Alberthal said. "The financial challenges and opportunities for EDS in this decade and beyond will be unparalleled in the company's history."

Grant, 52, holds an MBA and a doctorate in finance from the University of Texas at Austin.

EDS has operations in 28 countries and is the leader in providing information technology solutions to customers in a wide variety of industries. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

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#90333p9275 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVING, TX (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - IMCO Recycling Inc. (NASDAQ: IMRI) today

announced a $3.0 million program to upgrade and expand the production capability of its Rockwood, Tenn. aluminum recycling plant.

According to Ralph L. Cheek, chairman and chief executive officer, the program is being carried out to serve the needs of large aluminum can stock producers, particularly Alcoa, which are supplied by the Rockwood plant.

The program, which is expected to be complete by the end of next year's third quarter, will include installation of modern shredding and delaquering equipment to increase and improve the plant's ability to handle used beverage cans (UBCS). It will also include installation of a new recycling furnace that will raise the Rockwood facility's annual capacity by 20 percent.

Cheek said the program will make the company one of very few independent recyclers with advanced shredding and delacquering capability. "This effort will increase the amount of metal recovered from materials processed at Rockwood and also improve the quality of the plant's end product," he said. "On completion, we believe the overall efficiency and quality of Rockwood's operations will be unsurpassed in the recycling industry."

A large majority of IMCO Recycling's revenues are derived from "tolling" transactions that involve the conversion for a fee of UBCS, scrap and dross owned by can stock producers.

The company, which has nearly doubled its annual production capacity since the beginning of 1988, is currently expanding its Morgantown, Ky. plant in a move that will raise its total annual capacity by 15 percent to 500 million pounds at year-end 1990. The Rockwood expansion will further increase IMCO Recycling's capacity to 535 million pounds by the third quarter of 1991.

IMCO Recycling is the largest independent recycler of aluminum beverage cans and their by-products in the United States and is the nation's only publicly owned firm whose activities are concentrated in the aluminum can recycling market.

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LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Furon Co. (NASDAQ: FCBN) board of directors voted to pay a quarterly dividend of $.06 per share payable Feb. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record Jan. 18, 1991.

Furon (formerly The Fluorocarbon Co.), headquartered in Laguna Niguel, is a producer of quality polymer products for the industrial market. The company serves a wide range of industries including petrochemical, aerospace, medical, transportation, pollution control and fluid power.

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#90333p9279 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

LISLE, IL (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Interlake Corporation (NYSE: IK) announced that effective Wednesday, Nov. 28, 1990, its bank group has approved permanent modifications in two major financial covenants under its senior bank credit agreement. The "cash flow coverage ratio" and the "adjusted net worth" covenants were lowered. These modifications will significantly increase the probability that Interlake will meet all covenants in the fourth quarter and beyond.

F. C. Langenberg, chairman and CEO, stated, "This is a very positive move for Interlake and reflects actions taken, including the sale of Arwood's investment castings business, to reduce outstanding bank debt ahead of schedule in the first year of the credit agreement."

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#90333p9280 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRAND RAPIDS, MI (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Steelcase Inc. Chairman Robert C. Pew today announced the appointment of Jerry K. Myers as president and chief executive officer of the parent corporation, effective Monday, Dec. 3, 1990.

Myers, 49, succeeds Frank H. Merlotti, 64, who has been president of the parent company since 1980 and CEO since 1988.

Myers was most recently executive vice president and general manager of TRW's Automotive Sector in Cleveland.

In his new role, Myers will oversee the parent company's major business entities. Reporting to him will be: Rob Pew, president, Steelcase Operations; William Crawford, president, Stow & Davis; L. Paul Brayton, president, Steelcase Design Partnership; Bob Ballard, president, Steelcase Canada Ltd., and Don Rocheleau, president, Attwood Corporation. In addition, Myers will oversee the finance, international, human resources and community relations areas.

The '90's promise to be an extremely stimulating and challenging period for our parent corporation and our operating divisions," Pew said in making the announcement. "We have a tradition of managerial continuity. Our strong division management team will help support Jerry as he leads the parent

corporation.

"Jerry shares and appreciates the traditions and values of our company," Pew said.

Pew also cited Myers' strong international and financial experience. "That experience should serve us very well, as we expect substantial growth in the international arena over the next several years," he said.

At TRW, a major manufacturer of automotive parts, Myers was responsible for a business which encompassed 29,000 employees, 115 plants in 21 countries, and sales of $3 billion annually.

Steelcase Inc. leads the contract furniture industry, with sales of nearly $1.9 billion. The company is based in Grand Rapids, and has more than 14,000 employees in North America and nearly 21,000 worldwide. It has joint venture operations in France and Japan, and is the leading manufacturer - through its Steelcase Strafor operation in France - throughout Europe.

CONTACT: Debra Tolsma, 616-246-9226, or Peter Jeff, 616-247-2277, both of Steelcase

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#90333p9281 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOPEKA, KS (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Kansas Power and Light Company ("KPL") (NYSE: KAN) today announced that the syndication of $600 million in bank credit facilities was completed one week ahead of schedule. This financing, underwritten by Chemical Bank, was oversubscribed.

The syndicate is made up of 20 institutions, including relationship banks of KPL and Kansas Gas and Electric ("KG&E") (NYSE: KGE) in Kansas and Missouri, major money center banks in the United States, and banks from the world's major capital markets, including the United States, Germany, Great Britain, Japan, and Switzerland.

Under terms of the definitive merger agreement, signed on Oct. 28, 1990, and unanimously approved by the boards of both companies, each share of KG&E common stock will be converted to $32 in cash or approximately $32 in value of KPL common stock pursuant to a cash election merger.

Kansas Gas and Electric, headquartered in Wichita, Kan., is an electric utility serving more than 250,000 customers in southcentral and southeast Kansas. It employs 1,330.

The Kansas Power and Light Company, headquartered in Topeka, provides natural gas service throughout much of Kansas, western Missouri and northeastern Oklahoma and electric service to northeast and central Kansas. It has about

1.06 million gas customers and 300,000 electric customers. It employs 4,600.

CONTACT: Edward Schaub of Kansas Power and Light, (913) 296-6422; or Jeffrey Taufield or Richard Cendo of Kekst and Company, (212) 593-2655, for Kansas Power and Light.

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UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Corporation (NYSE: WU) today announced that its exchange offer, in which the company had been proposing to issue new notes and common shares in exchange for up to $530 million of its presently outstanding 19-1/4 percent senior secured notes and 16 percent notes, expired at midnight on November 28. The exchange offer was not completed because sufficient tenders were not received to meet the minimum tender conditions of the offer.

The company also said that it plans to commence a tender offer for a minimum of $250 million and a maximum of $350 million principal amount of the outstanding 19-1/4 percent and 16 percent notes, at a cash purchase price of $500 per $1,000 principal amount of notes, promptly upon the effectiveness of its registration statement covering the proposed tender offer.

In the expired exchange offer, which had been initiated in July and extended over a four-month period, the company had been seeking tenders of at least 95 percent of the outstanding principal amount of the 19-1/4 percent notes and 80 percent of the 16 percent notes. The amounts actually tendered were approximately 64 percent and five percent, respectively. These notes now are being returned to noteholders, who will have the opportunity to resubmit them in the cash tender offer.

In addition, since the exchange offer expired without being completed, the proposed amendment to the company's restated certificate of incorporation approved by Western Union shareholders in August will not be implemented. Under the proposed amendment, the company's Class A senior preferred shares and Class B convertible preferred shares would have been reclassified into common shares.

The foregoing is not and shall not be deemed an offer, including an offer of any security, or a solicitation of any vote or consent in connection with the proposed tender offer. Any such offer or solicitation will be made only by means of an offer to purchase included in a registration statement filed with and declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

CONTACT: Warren R. Bechtel of Western Union, 201-818-5790, or 212-868-8888

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RESTON, VA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Lucas Western Inc., Applied Technology Division (ATD) announced a long-term agreement with General Electric Co.'s Aircraft Engine Business Group, Evendale, Ohio, for the City of Industry, Calif.-based manufacturer to produce the engine- mounted accessory drive and power take-off drive for the CF34 engine.

The CF34 engine is used on the Canadair Challenger Business Jet and for the Canadair Regional Jet. The contract is valued in excess of $44 million.

The power take-off drive and accessory drive gear drive convert the spool rotary energy into drives for accessory components including fuel pump, alternator, generator, hydraulic pump, oil pump and starter.

"We look forward to a continued strong relationship with General Electric, with whom we have had a good working relationship for a number of years," said Denis Magee, president and chief executive officer of Lucas Aerospace, Inc., of Reston.

Lucas Western has a long history in design and production of engine accessory drives. The drives will be produced at Lucas' Applied Technology Division and their newly opened, dedicated gear factory in Park City, Utah.

Lucas Western ATD employs 714 people and designs and manufactures aircraft and missile actuation systems, aircraft engine accessory drive gear boxes, helicopter transmissions and hoists and winches for helicopters and aircraft.

With operations in the United Kingdom, North America and France, and an extensive network of customer support and marketing facilities worldwide, Lucas Aerospace employs 12,000 people and generates annual revenues approaching $1.3 billion. Primary business units include: Engine Systems, Flight Control and Actuation Systems, Aircraft Systems, Communications and Electronics and Customer Support.

CONTACT: Renate H. Zelko, 703-264-2387; or Bob Moulton or Liz Underhill, 703-620-0141, all for Lucas Aerospace

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CONCORD, NC (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The equity common trust funds of First Charter National Bank of Concord, N.C. continue to be ranked highly among bank common trust funds throughout the U.S. In the 266-fund universe of CDA Investment Technologies, Inc., First Charter's equity funds for personal trusts, employee benefit accounts and retirement plan accounts were ranked SECOND, SIXTH and FOURTH, respectively, for a three year period ending October 31, 1990.

In another universe of 236 funds and a five year reporting period, CDA confirms that First Charter's equity funds for employee benefit accounts were ranked FIRST, while the bank's equity funds for personal trusts were ranked SECOND. Specific performance results were:

	Rankings for the Periods Ending 10/31/90	
	36 Months	60 Months
Personal Trust Fund	2	2
Employee Benefit Fund	6	1
Retirement Plans Fund - Agency	4	(a)

(a) First Charter's fund not available for entire 60-month period. First Charter President and Chief Executive Officer Lawrence M. Kimbrough, stated, "Our trust customers continue to enjoy exceptional investment performance. As a community bank, we also take pride in offering a very personalized trust service. We think the combination is hard to beat."

CONTACT: Lawrence M. Kimbrough, President and Chief Executive Officer, First Charter Corporation, 704-786-3300

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HARRISON, NJ (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Lechters, Inc. (NASDAQ: LECH) today reported sales of $17.6 million for the four week period ended Nov. 24, 1990, an increase of 20 percent over sales of $14.7 million during the comparable period in 1989. The company's comparable store sales decreased 0.5 percent during November 1990 as compared with the comparable period in 1989.

The company also reported sales of $130.9 million for the 43 weeks ended Nov. 24, 1990, representing an increase of 21 percent over sales of $108.4 million for the comparable period in 1989. Year to date through Nov. 24, 1990, the company's comparable store sales increased 0.5 percent.

Lechters, Inc., based in Harrison, N.J., operates 360 specialty houseware stores in 33 states as compared to 298 stores on Nov. 25, 1989, an increase of 21 percent.

The company plans to open 4 new stores during the balance of the year, and expects to have 364 stores in operations by the end of its fiscal year in January 1991, as compared with 297 stores in operation at the end of its fiscal year in January 1990.

CONTACT: Leonard Pfeffer of Lechters, 201-481-1100

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - TPI Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ: TPIE) and AMC Entertainment, Inc. (AMEX: AEN) announced today that they are having discussions relating to the possible formation of a joint venture between TPI and AMC. The transaction under discussion would involve the exchange of a portion of the TPI common stock AMC owns for an interest in the movie theaters currently owned by TPI's wholly owned subsidiary, TPI Entertainment, Inc. Stephen R. Cohen, chairman of TPI, is also discussing with AMC the purchase by Cohen or a group to be formed by Cohen of all or a portion of the remaining TPI shares AMC owns.

No agreement has been reached regarding the terms of any transaction and there is no assurance that any transaction will occur. In addition, Cohen has advised TPI and AMC that he has not yet arranged the financing for the purchase of TPI shares nor has he yet formed any group for such a purchase, although he has had discussions with respect thereto. Any transaction will be subject to, among other things, the negotiation of mutually acceptable documentation, the approval of the respective boards of directors and the obtaining of requisite consents.

CONTACT: Robert Kennedy of TPI Enterprises, 212-230-2233, or Steven P. Zell of AMC Entertainment, 816-221-4000

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#90333p9303 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - MCN Corporation (NYSE: MCN) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Coenergy Ventures, Inc., has become the limited partner in a natural-gas fired cogeneration project currently in the final construction stages in Ada, Mich.

The cost of the facility is estimated at $45 million and is expected to be financed more than 50 percent by long-term bank debt. Coenergy Ventures' investment will be approximately $16 million. Coenergy Ventures will also sell the project the more than two billion cubic feet of natural gas needed for operation each year.

According to MCN Chairman Alfred R. Glancy III, "The investment in the Ada Cogeneration Project fits well within our corporate philosophy of expanding into businesses related to the natural gas business."

The cogeneration project's primary purpose is to generate electricity for sale to Consumers Power Company. The generating capacity is 30 megawatts. Steam from the cogeneration process will be sold to Amway Corporation whose corporate headquarters and primary production operations are located adjacent to the project.

The facility is scheduled to complete test firing in December, with initial sales of electricity and steam commencing the following month. The project's

general partner is Trigen Power Company, a U.S. subsidiary of North Canadian Oils Ltd. which is part of the Noranda family of companies.

MCN Corporation is the holding company for Michigan Consolidated Gas Company, a natural gas distribution, transmission and storage company serving more than one million customers in 465 communities throughout Michigan; for Citizens Gas Fuel Company, a natural gas utility serving customers in Lenawee County, Mich.; and for MCN Investment Corporation, which owns both Coenergy Ventures, which pursues energy-related opportunities throughout the United States and Canada, and other subsidiaries in the data processing and energy services businesses.

CONTACT: Sally A. LePla, (313) 256-5349, or Sebastian Coppola, (313) 256-6324, both of MCN Corporation.

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#90333p9308 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DECATUR, GA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Prime Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: PMBS), the parent holding company of Prime Bank, FSB, announced today that it has entered into a letter of intent to acquire First Colony Bancshares Inc. and First Colony Bank.

First Colony, a $53 million commercial bank, has offices in Alpharetta and Roswell, Ga. Prime Bancshares will maintain First Colony as a separate banking entity with its current management and staff.

Prime Bancshares will issue approximately $7.2 million of convertible preferred stock at a price tied to First Colony's net worth. The preferred stock will have a liquidation preference of approximately $22 and be convertible two years after issuance at a conversion price of $15. The preferred stock will be structured to qualify as capital, so that Prime Bancshares expects its capital ratio to increase as a result of the transaction.

Consummation of the transaction is conditioned upon completion by First Colony and Prime of due diligence, execution of a definitive agreement and regulatory approval.

Prime Bancshares has consolidated total assets of $582 million and a capital ratio of 6 percent. The bank operates 15 retail offices and eight residential mortgage lending offices. The common stock of Prime Bancshares is traded Over-the-Counter and quoted on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation (NASDAQ) System under the symbol "PMBS."

CONTACT: Lynne Van Brocklin of Prime Bancshares, 404-377-0211

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#90333p9309 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
NORFOLK, VA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Norfolk Southern Corporation (NYSE: NSC) has announced a voluntary separation program with a one-time special compensation package for certain train and engine service employees of its railroad subsidiaries.

Active train service employees (conductors and trainmen/switchmen) whose application for separation are accepted would each receive a one-time $40,000 separation allowance. Active engine service employees (engineers and firemen) would each receive $50,000. For those employees separating who are over age 55 by December 31, 1990, the program also would provide certain medical care coverage. The program became effective November 28 and all applications are due by December 11.

CONTACT: Don Piedmont, Director, 703-981-5407, or R.C. Fort, Assistant Vice President, 804-629-2714, both of the Public Relations Department, Norfolk Southern Corporation

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#90333p9312 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
BETHESDA, MD (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - In a speech before a Washington seminar on bank operations, money laundering and financial institution criminal activity, Henry A. Berliner Jr., president and chief executive officer of Second National Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: SNFS), provided the following observations:

-- "'Just Say Yes' was the bank Slogan of the Eighties."
-- "We need a return of banker confidence as well as consumer confidence."

-- "We made five mistakes. We didn't allow for:
1) Overbuilding.
2) Over-reliance on asset inflation.
3) The 1986 Tax Reform Act.
4) FIRREA.
5) We thought our region was recession-proof."

-- "FIRREA was brought about by hands-off regulators and hands-on manipulators at hundreds of savings institutions who now have dumped over $350 billion of loans into the laps of the American taxpayer."

-- "It's not enough to lower Fed funds rates and have the treasury secretary tell bankers to start lending again with newly imposed capital requirements, no capital sources, overbearing regulation, and the and the regulator-induced credit crunch."

-- "The next financial crisis is in the insurance industry (due to) junk bonds commercial real estate, new competition and a decade of lower returns."

-- "There will only be light at the end of the economic tunnel after three consecutive months when housing starts are up, business failures are down, and oil is under $30 a barrel."

Second National is a $1.8 billion financial institution with 41 offices throughout Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia and the District of Columbia.

CONTACT: Gayle H. Williams, director of marketing, Second National Federal Savings Bank, 1-800-888-5100 ext. 269

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GOLDEN, CO (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Barringer Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ: BALB) today reported revenues of $2,520,000 for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to $1,827,000 for the comparable prior-year quarter, an increase of 38 percent. Revenues for the nine-month period were $6,256,000 vs. revenues of $4,855,000 for the prior year, an increase of 29 percent.

Net income from continuing operations for the quarter was $2,000 compared to $321,000 for the prior year, while the nine-month period experienced a net loss of $176,000 vs. net income of $150,000, or $.12 per share, for the prior-year comparable period.

Robert Walker, chief executive officer, commented, "Our Canadian subsidiary, newly equipped in 1988, has continued its remarkable sales and earnings performance into the third quarter.

"Our U.S. laboratories posted lower sales within the Radio-Chemistry division, primarily due to a delay in customer government funding, and also within the Radon division. Our minerals lab, located in Reno, Nev., also recorded lower sales due to the overall sluggishness in the mining industry. However, these divisions did show improve sales compared to the second quarter of 1990, and we have instituted a strong sales and marketing program, which should further improved sales levels.

"Our bottom line reflects the significant costs incurred to create the required infrastructure for growth in the U.S. We have increased our operating staff in order to institute standard quality assurance/ quality control procedures, develop methods which have enabled us to expand our capabilities, as well as launch a strong sales and marketing program to assure improved future sales. Additionally, we have added a significant amount of new laboratory analysis equipment to our locations to further position ourselves for future growth. All these costs have been incurred as part of

our overall program to enhance our laboratories and position Barringer as a state-of-the-art analytical testing laboratory."

Headquartered in Golden, Barringer Laboratories provides analytical testing services for the environmental and minerals industry.

BARRINGER LABORATORIES, INC.
(Consolidated; in thousands except share data)

Periods ended	Quarter		Nine Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$2,520	$1,827	$6,256	$4,855
Pretax income (loss) from continuing operations	22	353	(96)	182
Provision for income taxes	20	32	80	32
Income (loss) from continuing operations	2	321	(176)	150
Loss from discont. opers.	--	(17)	--	(104)
Net income (loss)	2	304	(176)	46
Per-share data: Net income (loss) from continuing operations	--	$.25	$(.08)	$.12
Net (loss) from discontinued operations	--	(.01)	--	(.08)
Net income (loss) per share	--	.24	(.08)	.04
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,183,333	1,259,034	2,165,323	1,259,034

CONTACT: Robert Walker, CEO, 303-277-1687, or Stanley Binder, CFO, 201-984-5760, both of Barringer; or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Barringer

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#90333p9318 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Today, Jacobson Stores Inc. (OTC: JCBS) declared a regular quarterly dividend on the common stock of 12-1/2 cents per share, payable Jan. 10, 1991, to common shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Robert M. Eaton of Jacobson Stores Inc., 517-764-6400

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#90333p9327 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KS (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Maverick Restaurant Corporation (NASDAQ: MAVR) today reported that revenues for its third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $3,525,922, compared to revenues of $3,591,827 for the third quarter of the prior year. Revenues for the first nine months of 1990 were $10,529,857, compared to revenues of $10,723,876 for the first nine months of the prior

year.

For the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990, the company recorded a loss of $60,848, compared to earnings of $12,369 for the third quarter of the prior year. For the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, the company recorded net earnings of $8,170 compared to earnings of $57,563, or 1 cent per common share for the first nine months of the prior year.

Maverick Restaurant Corporation President Chris F. Hotze said, "The loss for the quarter was due primarily to our poor sales performance in August and September in which same store sales were down 5.8 percent as compared to the same period last year. We believe the major contributing factors for this sales decline were the increase in gasoline prices in all our markets which decreased the amount of discretionary income our customers had to spend, and the deployment of a substantial number of military personnel to the Middle East that negatively impacted our customer base in our Virginia and El Paso markets."

"In late September we countered this negative trend by introducing an 'All You Can Eat' promotion at a value oriented price point. We are pleased to report that these increased promotional efforts resulted in October sales being up 6.7 percent over last year or a positive swing of 12.5 percent over August and September. Unfortunately, October's increase was not enough to offset the declines of the previous two months. We anticipate continuing this promotion in all markets as long as it continues to generate positive results."

"We continue to be on schedule with our debt reduction efforts. At a time when many companies have failed due to unmanageable debt loads, we believe the best course is for us to continue toward our goal of being debt-free within our next fiscal year. This will continue to be one of our primary objectives."

Maverick, the largest Grandy's franchisee, currently operates 20 Grandy's restaurants in five states.

MAVERICK RESTAURANT CORPORATION
Selected Financial Information

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Oct. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$3,525,922	$3,591,827	$10,529,857	$10,723,876
Net earnings (loss)	(60,848)	12,369	8,170	57,563
Earnings per common share	$(.01)	--	--	$.01

CONTACT: Chris F. Hotze or Linn F. Hohl of Maverick Restaurant, 316-685-8281

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TROY, MI (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) today announced

that Pearl's Beverages, Inc. of Detroit will lease the property at 18211 Plymouth Road, Detroit, and open a distribution outlet in December 1990.

Kmart has been working with the Detroit Strategic Plan Target Industries program to bring new business to Detroit. The Target Industries program was established in 1988 to create economic development and bring jobs to Detroit.

"Detroit has much to offer businesses and their employees," said Joseph E. Antonini, Kmart chairman of the board and chief executive officer. "We are especially proud to be a part of the economic development of this fine city."

The new location allows Pearl's Beverages, a minority firm, to expand its operations and provide 50 new jobs by Jan. 1, 1991. "This is a wonderful opportunity for Pearl's," said Stephanie Rosenberg, Pearl's assistant vice president, corporate development. "Kmart helped make our search for an appropriate facility much easier."

In addition to leasing the property, Pearl's will begin to supply Kmart with Towne Club soft drinks on a test basis in certain Detroit-area Kmarts in late January 1991.

Pearl's Beverages, Inc. is primarily engaged in the processing and distribution of soft drinks, bottled waters and mixers under the Towne Club label. Additionally, Pearl's will sublet approximately 10,000 square feet of the 20,000-square-foot facility to Pearl's Packaging, Inc. for the packaging and assembling of various non-perishable consumer-oriented products to be sold to major retailers throughout the country.

Kmart Corporation serves America with over 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,336 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse, Inc., and The Sports Authority.

CONTACT: John Rutherford of Kmart, (313) 643-2725; or Stephanie Rosenberg of Pearl's, (313) 842-3340.

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MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeion Corporation (NASDAQ: ANGN) has announced the appointment of David L. Christofferson as vice president and chief financial officer, effective immediately.

Christofferson comes to Angeion with 21 years of experience in corporate financial management. He spent 14 years at Medtronic in a succession of financial management positions for the drug administration systems group, the pacing products group, corporate product development, corporate manufacturing,

operations and corporate finance.

Christofferson replaces Brian G. Jacenko, who is leaving Angeion to pursue other opportunities. Christofferson reports to President and Chief Operating Officer William H. Ham.

In announcing the appointment, Angeion Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Wendell L. King said: "Dave Christofferson brings to Angeion an excellent record in finance, planning and administration, especially in the areas of acquisition and financial management in a multi-division company. These will serve us well as Angeion continues to grow and evolve."

In 1986 Christofferson founded Excel Office Products, which was acquired by General Office Products Company in 1988. From 1987-89 he was chief financial officer and chairman of Medical Wellness Technologies, Inc., a distributor of pain control devices. Christofferson earned a bachelor of science in business degree from the University of Minnesota in 1968.

Minneapolis-based Angeion Corporation is a manufacturer of cardiovascular products. Its subsidiary, AngeLase, Inc., is currently engaged in the research and development of a catheter which would provide a nonsurgical cure for arrhythmia. Angeion recently also signed a letter of intent to purchase XMED, a research-and-development company which is developing products for the automatic implantable defibrillator market. Angeion's current core business target is the angioplasty accessory market.

Angeion is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ANGN and on the Boston Stock Exchange under the symbol ANI.

CONTACT: Perry Ketchum or Brenda Roth of Ketchum & Metz, 612-925-1924, for Angeion

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Valspar Corporation (ASE: VAL) a major coatings manufacturer, reported fourth quarter earnings for 1990 increased 23 percent to $6,859,000 or 63 cents per share from $5,596,000 or 51 cents per share in 1989. Sales for the quarter increased 1.4 percent to $147,990,000 from $145,883,000 a year ago.

For the fiscal year ended Oct. 26, 1990, Valspar's earnings were $26,731,000 compared to $23,234,000 last year, and earnings per share increased 17.8 percent to $2.45 versus $2.08 a year ago. Sales for 1990 increased 8.5 percent to $571,445,000. Adjusted for the acquired McCloskey business, comparable sales increased 3.6 percent.

Commenting on this year's results and the outlook for next year, C. Angus

Wurtele, Valspar's chairman, stated that "the Consumer, Packaging and Special Products Groups all have had record years, while the Industrial Group has felt the effect of the economic slowdown.

"Earnings for 1990 were quite good in light of the 20 cent per share charge to second quarter earnings related to the bankruptcy filing of Amdura Corporation.

"The McCloskey acquisition contributed to Valspar's 1990 earnings and the acquisition of parts of DeSoto's industrial coatings operations, completed Oct. 26, 1990, significantly strengthened Valspar's market position. In spite of the near term economic uncertainties, we are very optimistic about Valspar's prospects for the future."

VALSPAR CORPORATION - COMPARATIVE RESULTS (unaudited)

	Fourth Quarter Ended		12 Months Ended	
	10/26/90	10/27/89	10/26/90	10/27/89
Net sales	$147,990,000	$145,883,000	$571,445,000	$526,892,000
Cost of sales	106,616,000	105,892,000	410,094,000	385,459,000
Operating expenses	29,635,000	28,996,000	109,206,000	98,725,000
Operating profit	11,739,000	10,995,000	52,145,000	42,708,000
Interest expense	850,000	1,551,000	4,704,000	5,838,000
Other income (expense) - net	369,000	(173,000)	(3,337,000)	1,555,000
Income before income taxes	11,258,000	9,271,000	44,104,000	38,425,000
Income taxes	4,399,000	3,675,000	17,373,000	15,191,000
Net income	$6,859,000	$5,596,000	$26,731,000	$23,234,000
Net income per common share	$.63	$.51	$2.45	$2.08
Average number of shares outstanding	10,914,299	11,063,034	10,926,660	11,165,498

CONTACT: Paul C. Reyelts of The Valspar Corporation, (612) 375-7702.

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of FSI International, Inc. (NASDAQ: FSII) has elected Benno A. Sand, vice president of finance, to the additional positions of chief financial officer and secretary.

Sand joined FSI in 1982 as financial accounting manager. He was promoted to corporate controller in 1983, and was named vice president of finance in 1987. Previous to FSI, he was an audit manager with the Minneapolis office of KPMG Main Hurdman (now KPMG Peat Marwick). Sand holds a B.A. degree in accounting

from St. Cloud State University.

FSI International, Inc. is a leader in producing automated surface conditioning equipment for processing silicon wafers. The company develops, manufactures, markets and services centrifugal spray processing systems, photoresist processing equipment, gas processing systems, and chemical management and delivery systems for use in the fabrication of advanced semiconductor integrated circuits. FSI's customers include semiconductor manufacturers located throughout North America, Europe, Japan and the Far East.

CONTACT: Richard Jackson of FSI International, 612-448-8002; or Marian Briggs of Padilla Speer Beardsley, 612-871-8877; for FSI International

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BLOOMINGTON, MN (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Allercare, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALLR) announced today that the board of directors has elected Sigfred W. Peck as president and chief executive officer of the company.

Peck was formerly the company's secretary and chief financial officer and has been a director of the company since 1988. Previously, Peck was a vice president and chief financial officer of Sahara Investment Co., manager of Acquisition Accounting for General Mills, and senior accountant for Coopers & Lybrand, C.P.A.'s.

Effective Nov. 21, 1990, the company's president and chief executive officer, Steven E. Elliott, left the company's employment and resigned as an officer of the company. Elliott remains on the board of directors.

Peck will be replaced as secretary and chief financial officer by Richard G. Kitslaar. Kitslaar is a C.P.A. and has been working with the company for the last ten months as a consultant.

Prior to that time, he was vice president and chief financial officer for Kalaster, Inc., director of finance and administration for Garn, Inc., acquisition investigations supervisor at Honeywell, Inc., and audit supervisor for Coopers & Lybrand, C.P.A.'s.

Douglas H. Danduran continues as vice president of Sales and a director of the company, a position he has held for the last three years.

CONTACT: Traci Kurilla of Allercare, (612) 944-0551.

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MCLEAN, VA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - PRC Inc. (formerly Planning Research

Corporation and Advanced Technology, Inc.), a subsidiary of The Black & Decker Corporation (NYSE: BDK), announced today that Gary D. Kennedy has been appointed president and chief executive officer of the professional services company. Kennedy succeeds Scott Thompson, who has been named chairman.

Kennedy joins PRC after more than eight years with Oracle Systems Corporation, a leading software, services and systems integration company, where he rose through various sales and general management positions to become president of its largest subsidiary, Oracle, USA. He was also chairman of Oracle Complex Systems Corporation, a systems integration subsidiary. During his tenure with Oracle, revenues increased from approximately $1 million to over $1 billion annually. Kennedy's operations accounted for over half of the corporation's total sales.

Prior to Oracle, Kennedy was employed by Intel Corporation. He holds an MBA degree from Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management.

Thompson was employed by Advanced Technology, Inc. in 1977. After holding several management positions, he served as chief operating officer from 1985 and was appointed president and chief executive officer in 1988. Subsequent to Black & Decker's acquisition of the parent corporation of Planning Research Corporation and Advanced Technology, Inc. in 1989, Thompson was elected president and chief executive officer of the combined information and electronic systems business. As chairman, Thompson's role will be to provide counsel and strategic direction to PRC.

Commenting on the appointments, Nolan D. Archibald, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Black & Decker, said: "We are delighted to have Gary Kennedy on board. His wide-ranging experience in software and systems will provide additional strength to PRC, which already is a leading competitor in the professional services field. With Gary's expertise, our intention is both to reinforce that leadership position in the federal sector and to develop a similar world-class presence in the commercial marketplace over the next few years.

PRC employs about 8,500 employees and generates annual revenues of approximately $700 million.

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WILMINGTON, DE (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont Overseas Capital N.V., Du Pont's (NYSE: DD) Netherlands Antilles-based subsidiary, said it will redeem all $150 million of its 11-1/4 percent notes due Jan. 15, 1995, on Jan. 15, 1991, at 100-1/2 percent of the principal amount plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

CONTACT: Clinton C. Archer of Du Pont, (302) 774-6661.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Health Images Inc. (NASDAQ: HIMG) today announced the election of Lancaster, Pa., native James P. Gelhard to the company's board of directors.

Robert D. Carl III, Health Images' president and chairman, stated: "I am very pleased and excited by the election of Jim Gelhard to the company's board of directors. Jim's sound business judgment and expertise in finance will make him a valuable addition to the board."

Gelhard, age 64, serves as associate vice president -- Portfolio Management for Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pa.

Gelhard is a graduate of Franklin and Marshall College (B.A., 1949). Following a career in marketing with NCR Corp., he joined Franklin & Marshall in 1970 as director of Alumni Relations. Gelhard later served the college as assistant to the president, director of Planned Giving, and as associate vice president of Development.

Health Images Inc. operates 26 magnetic resonance imaging centers and one radiation oncology center, manufactures magnetic resonance imaging scanners and provides equipment maintenance services for major medical diagnostic imaging equipment.

CONTACT: Robert D. Carl III, president and chairman, or Laura J. Werner of Health Images, 404-587-5084

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#90333p9347 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Polaris Industries Partners L.P. (Polaris) (ASE: SNO) announced today that it will pay its regular fourth quarter distribution of $1.25 per unit to holders of record on Dec. 17, 1990. The units will go "ex-dividend" on Tuesday, Dec. 11, 1990. Payment of this distribution will be made on or about Feb. 15, 1991.

This $5.00 per unit annual level represents a 25 percent current return on the initial public offering price of $20 per unit. All distributions will be conditioned upon continued satisfactory levels of performance and the financial strength of the Partnership and remain within the discretion of the general partner.

Polaris Industries Partners L.P. trades on the American Stock Exchange and the

Pacific Stock Exchange under the symbol "SNO."

CONTACT: Victor K. Atkins, Jr. of EIP Capital Corporation, (212) 319-8850, for Polaris.

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PETAH TIKVA, ISRAEL (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The executive committee of ECI Telecom Ltd. (NASDAQ-NMS: ECILF) declared an interim cash dividend of $.22 per share, to be paid out of the 1990 profits of the company, and will recommend to the annual general meeting of shareholders to approve the dividend as final with respect to the year 1990. The shareholders entitled to the dividend will be the shareholders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990. The dividend will be paid on or about Dec. 27, 1990, net of taxes to be withheld at source and in compliance with Israeli foreign currency law.

ECI Telecom designs, develops and markets telecommunications and communications systems employing digital speech processing, switching technologies and technologies compatible with ISDN (Integrated Services Digital Network). These systems are designed to increase the conversation, data and facsimile carrying capacity of telecommunications networks operated by domestic and international long-distance carriers, PTT's and private line users. Other systems manufactured by the company are designed to improve command, control and communications networks.

CONTACT; Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, Inc. 212-545-8400, for ECI Telecom

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AZUSA, CALIF. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Optical Radiation Corp. (NASDAQ: ORCO) today announced it has signed a letter of intent with Twentieth Century Fox Film Corp. to release six theatrical films in the company's Cinema Digital sound (CDS) format.

Richard D. Wood, president and chief executive officer of Optical Radiation, said it is anticipated that the first movie may be "Edward Scissorhands," which is scheduled for release in December. "Aliens 3," "For Our Boys," and three additional films are scheduled for release in 1991, according to Wood.

CDS, jointly developed by Optical Radiation and Eastman Kodak Co., (NYSE: EK), is a process by which a digital optical sound track is printed directly onto motion picture film, resulting in sound quality comparable to compact disks.

"Twentieth Century Fox is the first major studio to commit to releasing a package of feature films in CDS format," said Wood. "We are excited about the

future of CDS in the motion picture industry and are particularly enthusiastic about our prospective arrangement with Twentieth Century Fox."

Optical Radiation designs and manufactures a wide variety of precision optical components and systems for medical, industrial and scientific applications.

CONTACT: Richard D. Wood of Optical Radiation Corp., 818-969-3344; or Roger S. Pondel of Rifkind, Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Optical Radiation Corp.

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#90333p9355 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Medicis Pharmaceutical Corp. (NASDAQ: MDRXA, MDRXU), a company specializing in dermatological products, "has successfully launched and has begun shipping its Theraplex(TM) family of over-the-counter moisturizers and shampoos for dry skin and scalp conditions, having received firm commitments from all of the major drug wholesalers to stock the product line," Jonah Shacknai, chairman and CEO announced today.

"The Theraplex family of products has already received strong acceptance by dermatologists who can now recommend the products to their patients. Distribution channels are being adequately stocked and products will be available to consumers in pharmacies and health and beauty aid stores in the coming weeks. We believe there are no better products on the market today in this important category of dry skin care. Our unique step-care approach to moisturization helps dermatologists meet patients needs and insures patient satisfaction and compliance," Shacknai added.

Leonard Mazur, executive vice president for sales and marketing noted that "Theraplex is selling well through our wholesale and brokerage system and we expect strong sales in this product category for our second quarter ending Dec. 31." In its first quarter ended Sept. 30, Medicis successfully launched its prescription acne product line and in just two weeks achieved more than $1 million in sales. "With our prescription acne product line and now our Theraplex line having been successfully launched, we expect sales will accelerate strongly as we move forward," Mazur added.

Medicis has an exclusive license to market the Theraplex family of products in the United States, Mexico and Japan. Theraplex products have had strong sales in Scandinavia where they have been marketed by a subsidiary of Rhone-Poulenc and more recently in Canada where they have been marketed by Trans Canaderm. In Scandinavia, for example, sales of Theraplex products are running at a rate of $10 million annually in a country with a population base of 5 million.

The five Theraplex products consist of three skin moisturizers and two therapeutic shampoos.

The Theraplex moisturizers, with three distinct formulations offer the dermatologist a unique step-care approach to dry skin care. Theraplex moisturizers utilize a patented Swiss formula which provides all of the benefits of petrolatum, the most effective moisturizer known, but removes 82 percent of the grease associated with it.

The two Theraplex shampoos, Theraplex T and Theraplex Z are used in the treatment of dandruff, psoriasis and seborrheic dermatitis. All Theraplex products are non-comedogenic and allergy-tested.

In addition to its prescription and Theraplex product lines, Medicis is awaiting FDA approval for its tretinoin, a generic prescription form of Retin-A(R) (a registered trademark of Ortho Pharmaceutical), for which it has been granted an exclusive worldwide marketing license. Tretinoin (Retin-A) is a topical vitamin A derivative used in the treatment of acne.

Additionally, Medicis is in phase III clinical trials with its prescription photochemoprotective agent, Bergasol(R). Bergasol, which to date has sold more than 42 million units in Europe, stimulates the production of melanin thereby promoting deep tanning while reducing sun burning and DNA damage which contribute to the formation of skin cancer.

CONTACT: Peter Knight of Medicis Pharmaceutical, 212-599-2000

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#90333p9356 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

OMAHA, NE (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of ConAgra Inc. (NYSE: CAG) today added Kevin A. Bousquette and Michael T. Tokarz to ConAgra's board.

Tokarz is an executive with Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. (KKR). Before joining KKR, he served with Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Co. of Chicago as vice president and manager of East Coast operating units. Tokarz is a director of Hillsborough Holdings Inc., IDEX Corp., K-III Holdings Inc., Safeway Inc. and Walter Industries Inc. He is a former director of Beatrice Co.

Bousquette is an associate with KKR. He previously was an investment banker with Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc. and an attorney with Latham & Watkins. Bousquette is a director of Duracell Holdings Corp. and a former director of Beatrice.

ConAgra, headquartered in Omaha, is a diversified food company with annualized sales of about $20 billion.

CONTACT: Walt Casey of ConAgra Inc., 402-595-4154

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#90333p9361 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Harry L. Winn Jr. has joined Utilicorp United (NYSE: UCU) as the company's new senior vice president, finance.

Winn will serve as the company's chief financial officer, a position that has been added to the UtiliCorp management structure. He will have overall responsibility for all of UtiliCorp's finance and accounting activities.

Winn, 46, previously was both vice president, controller of Squibb United States and vice president, treasurer of Squibb Corp. in Princeton, N.J. Prior to that, Winn was vice president, treasurer of Baxter International Inc. in Deerfield, Ill., and treasurer of American Hospital Supply Corp. in Evanston, Ill.

Winn graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1966 with a bachelor's degree in finance and obtained his MBA in 1973 from Northwestern University. He is a certified public accountant.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides gas and electric service to 820,000 customers in eight states and in the province of British Columbia. Its divisions are Missouri Public Service, Peoples Natural Gas, Michigan Gas Utilities, West Virginia Power, Northern Minnesota Utilities and Kansas Public Service. West Kootenay Power is a Canadian subsidiary. PSI and UtilCo Group are non-regulated subsidiaries.

CONTACT: Roger Dick of UtiliCorp, 816-421-6600

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#90333p9363 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Effective Dec. 1, 1990, Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) rates for its 340,000 suburban gas customers will be reduced.

PE said the annual bill for an average home heating customer will decrease 6.1 percent from $889 to $835, primarily resulting from a revision to its gas cost rate approved by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

The rate reduction further increases the advantage now being experienced by PE home heating customers compared to those heating with oil. The price of PE natural gas used for home heating on Dec. 1 will be $6.48 per thousand cubic feet, which equates to about 87 cents per gallon for home heating oil. According to the Pennsylvania Energy Office, home heating oil as of Nov. 19 was $1.25 per gallon, 44 percent more for home heating than PE natural gas customers.

Kenneth G. Lawrence, PE vice president for Gas Operations said, "At a time when the cost of many other energy products is increasing, we are pleased that our gas customers will enjoy lower rates."

Lawrence said the reduction is due to stable natural gas prices and to a longer term outlook for the availability of natural gas. The new rate will be in effect for one year.

Lawrence added, "This favorable price advantage is translating into significant interest in natural gas by homeowners now using oil."

PE said that as a result of the Middle East crisis, the response this fall by the public to a gas conversion marketing campaign is double the response of previous years.

"Our current efforts are to respond quickly to all customers seeking additional information and to schedule those customers choosing to convert and to complete the conversion as expeditiously as possible," Lawrence said.

PE converted more than 2,300 of its residential customers in Bucks, Montgomery Chester, and Delaware counties to natural gas in 1989 and expects to exceed that total by 16 percent in 1990.

"Natural gas is becoming the fuel of choice in many situations. It is domestic, available and less expensive, cleaner and more efficient than oil, and it is relatively simple to convert," he said.

CONTACT: Michael Wood of Philadelphia Electric, 215-841-4125

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#90333p9375 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, VA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - ERC Environmental and Energy Services Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: ERCE) and BNFL Inc., the U.S. subsidiary of British Nuclear Fuels plc (BNFL), have been awarded a contract by Westinghouse Savannah River Co. in Aiken, S.C., to design and build a Skid-Mounted Ion Exchange Demonstration (SKID) unit that will demonstrate the applicability of BNFL's patented ion exchange technology to the treatment of high-level nuclear waste produced in the nation's nuclear weapons program. The award is a fixed-price contract valued at over $372,000. The work will be conducted over a 16-month period.

The SKID unit will be based on technology developed in Britain by BNFL that is in active use at its Sellafield reprocessing and waste management complex. Westinghouse Savannah River Co. is evaluating the technology in conjunction with testing its own experimental ion exchange resin, which it has developed at Savannah River Laboratory for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). The

BNFL technology could eventually be used for the removal of radioactive materials from high-level waste supernate stored in tanks at DOE's Savannah River Site. The radioactive materials must be removed from the supernate and, along with other high-level wastes, immobilized in glass cylinders suitable for final disposal.

ERCE President Mark Elliott stated: "This award is the first step toward introducing proven and reliable BNFL waste management technology into the U.S. defense waste management program. It fits well with ERCE's expanding role helping DOE facilities meet their environmental needs. We are very pleased to be working with both BNFL and Westinghouse on this effort."

BNFL Inc. President Rolland Langley said: "The DOE has called for the development of advanced technologies to help resolve its nuclear waste management challenges; BNFL has responded with this proven radioactive effluent treatment technology. I am delighted that we now have the opportunity to demonstrate our capability to the DOE."

ERCE is a professional and technical services firm providing a comprehensive range of environmental, infrastructure, and energy consulting, engineering, and analytical services to industrial and commercial companies and governmental agencies. The company has principal operating offices in Fairfax Va.,; Nashville, Tenn.,; and San Diego, Calif.

BNFL Inc. is the U.S. subsidiary of British Nuclear Fuels plc, a large, internationally recognized nuclear fuel cycle company providing services ranging from uranium enrichment and fuel manufacturing to reactor operations, fuel reprocessing, and radioactive waste management. The company has emerged as a world leader in the development of innovative technologies for the treatment and disposal of radioactive waste, including high-level waste vitrification, transuranic waste management, and effluent treatment.

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#90333p9380 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Austin Company announced today that a consortium of which it is a member had been selected to design, engineer and administer the construction of the passenger terminal at the new Hiroshima Airport in Japan.

Austin's partners in the consortium are MHS Planners, Architects and Engineers of Tokyo, one of Japan's leading design firms, and Yamamoto/Create Architects and Engineers Inc., also based in Tokyo.

Austin said the consortium would be responsible for designing and engineering

a 26,800 square-meter (288,500 square-foot) facility comprising adjoining domestic and international buildings. The project will include concourses, baggage-handling systems and preflight amenities.

The overall project is estimated to be worth approximately $80 million (U.S.).

Austin will be responsible for engineering the special mechanical, electrical, information and equipment systems, including those for aircraft support.

MHS will be responsible for architectural design, as well as civil and structural engineering, and will be supported by Create.

The Austin/MHS/Create joint venture is expected to complete the design phase of the project by December 1991. Construction is expected to begin in April 1992. The new airport is scheduled to open in December 1993.

The selection of the Austin/MHS/Create consortium marks the first major competition for a significant airport project in Japan won by a joint venture with a U.S. member.

Austin also leads another consortium competing for the engineering, procurement and installation of the baggage-handling system at Kansai International Airport.

The Austin Company is recognized as an international leader in design, engineering and construction of all types of airport facilities.

The Austin Company is an international organization of consultants, designers, engineers and constructors. Austin serves industrial, commercial, governmental and institutional markets. Headquartered in Cleveland, where it was founded in 1878, the company operates through 40 offices in North America, Europe, Australia and Japan. There are associated companies in Brazil and Italy.

CONTACT: Marvin M. Epstein of The Austin Company, 216-382-6600

-30- 2445

#90333p9381 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Jack Clark, chairman of the board of Stage II Apparel Corp. (AMEX: SA), announced today that the corporation's board of directors had voted not to declare a quarterly dividend, in view of the recent decrease in corporate earnings.

As previously announced, net sales for the first nine months of 1990 decreased by approximately $11,652,000 or 15.5 percent from the corresponding nine months of 1989. Earnings per share for this nine months' period decreased from $.80 per share for the corresponding 1989 nine months' period to $.08.

In view of such decreases in earnings and profits, the board of directors felt that it was not prudent to pay any further dividends until operating results are such that declaration of dividends would be financially prudent and in the best interest of the corporation and its shareholders.

CONTACT: Phil London of Stage II Apparel, 212-564-5865

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#90333p9387 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc. (CRIIMI MAE) (NYSE: CMM) and AIM Liquidating REIT, Inc., said today that their exchange offer for four American Insured Mortgage (AIM) partnerships will proceed as soon as a revised prospectus is declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and mailed to unitholders of the four AIM partnerships, sponsored by bankrupt Integrated Resources, Inc. (NYSE: IRE).

CRIIMI MAE and AIM Liquidating REIT announced on Nov. 26 that they will shortly file a revised prospectus with the SEC detailing improvements to their exchange offer including substantially lowered fees and lowered upfront transaction costs.

The revised prospectus also will include changes reflecting the opinion by Federal District Court Judge Michael B. Mukasey enjoining both Integrated's affiliate, AIM Capital Management, and the CRI parties from further disseminating certain misleading information about the exchange offer. The judge also ordered both parties to circulate corrected disclosure which would supersede all prior communications.

Management of CRI said today that AIM Capital continues to make misleading statements in its efforts to defeat the exchange offer. Omitted from AIM Capital's recent public announcement was a description of the materially misleading statements which the judge found in AIM Capital's prior communications.

The judge's findings include: -- AIM Capital failed in its Oct. 11 mailing to adequately disclose the potential conflict of interest it has with the AIM unitholders.

-- AIM Capital's comparison of the AIM funds' market value to the value of CRI's exchange offer was materially misleading.

-- AIM Capital materially misled investors by claiming that they "would suffer an immediate loss of nearly 40 percent in (their) investment."

-- AIM Capital materially misled investors by claiming that CRIIMI MAE "borrows at a loss."

-- AIM Capital materially misled investors about the total value received by investors in the November 1989 CRIMI MAE merger by ignoring the cash distribution paid to investors.

In addition, the judge said that AIM Capital failed to adequately disclose that AIM Liquidating REIT, an unleveraged, finite life fund, is an alternative AIM investors can choose in the exchange offer.

In addition to finding that the CRI parties had also made certain misleading statements, the judge found that CRI already had addressed many of these items in an amended prospectus which was filed with the SEC prior to the court's ruling. That document had not yet become effective and therefore had not been mailed to unitholders.

The judge enjoined the CRI parties from further solicitation and receipt of tenders pending distribution of corrective disclosure. The CRI parties' said their new prospectus will conform to the judge's opinion, including a provision permitting tendering unitholders to rescind prior tenders. The new prospectus will be distributed to unitholders after it is declared effective by the SEC.

CONTACT: James T. Pastore of CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc., 301-231-0323

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#90333p9389 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Cognitronics Corporation (AMEX: CGN) today announced that its directors had authorized the repurchase of up to 100,000 additional shares of its publicly traded common stock. The shares would be purchased from time to time at prices then prevailing in open market and block-purchase transactions on the American Stock Exchange, or in privately negotiated transactions.

Since May 1990, the company has repurchased substantially all of the 100,000 shares previously authorized by its board.

Any repurchased shares will be retained as treasury shares for future purposes.

"The management and directors of Cognitronics believe that its shares continue to be undervalued and represent an investment opportunity that will enhance stockholder value," said Matthew J. Flanigan, president and CEO of Cognitronics.

Cognitronics' common stock closed at $6 on Tuesday, Nov. 27, 1990, with 300 shares traded. There are 2,094,126 common shares currently outstanding.

Cognitronics Corporation is a leading manufacturer and supplier of voice

processing equipment, including telephone announcement products and interactive voice response (IVR) systems, to telephone operating companies, original equipment manufacturers and commercial users. Cognitronics also manufacturers optical scanning and image processing systems and precision machined parts.

CONTACT: Harold F. Mayer, vice president of Cognitronics, 203-327-5307

-30- 1638

#90333p9398 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

OSAKA, JAPAN (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. said today that its President, Akio Tanii, today issued the following statement:

"There were several conflicting English interpretations of my comments on Monday evening, Nov. 26, regarding the issue of creative independence at MCA. These varied translations have resulted in some confusion which should be clarified.

"As Mr. Wasserman and I said in our joint statement, 'both companies are committed to maintaining the creative independence which has established MCA at the forefront of the entertainment industry.'

"In my personal statement, I said I expected that 'creative people of Hollywood' would continue to produce works of merit, 'making full use of their independent creativity.'

"In his personal statement, Mr. Wasserman underscored the joint commitment 'to maintaining the creative independence' of MCA.

"There should be no misunderstanding of Matsushita's position in this important area. Creative decisions for MCA will be made by MCA management. Matsushita has no intention of becoming involved in decisions regarding the subject or content of creative products at MCA.

"Any other notion regarding creative independence would be contrary to the clear understanding between senior management at MCA and Matsushita, and would also be inconsistent with sound business practices."

ONTACT: George Sard or Joele Frank of Adams & Rinehart, 212-557-0100, for Matsushita Electric

-30- 1682

#90333p9399 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DRESHER, PA. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Selas Corporation of America (AMEX:S?LS) today increased its quarterly dividend from $.03 to $.05 per share for the

fourth quarter 1990.

The dividend is payable Dec. 27, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 13.

Stephen F. Ryan, president and chief executive officer of Selas, said the dividend reflects the positive performance of the company and the continued optimism of its board and management.

Selas Corporation of America is an international design, development, engineering and manufacturing company.

CONTACT: Stephen F. Ryan, president and CEO of Selas, 215-283-8402

-30- 791

#90333p9400 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Fluor Daniel announced today that it has been awarded a contract by Calgary-based Alberta Wheat Pool. The project cost is estimated at $19 million.

Fluor Daniel Wright will perform overall program management for upgrading grain shipping systems at AWP's Vancouver terminal. Responsibilities include project, construction and contracts management, technical design management and procurement services. Work will consist of removing existing grain conveyor systems and associated infrastructure and replacing with a new conveyor system. Grain handling capacity will be increased from 3.5-million-metric- tons-per-year to 4.3-million-metric-tons-per-year.

Work is under way in Fluor Daniel Wright's Vancouver, British Columbia, offices. Project completion is scheduled for late 1992. The project will entail extensive modifications to existing equipment and structures while maintaining ongoing terminal operations.

The Alberta Wheat Pool owns and operates both country and terminal facilities in Western Canada moving millions of tons of grain each year from farmer's bins to grain importing nations of the world.

Fluor Daniel Inc., Fluor Corp.'s (NYSE: FLR) principal subsidiary, is an international engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services company with more than 50 offices around the world.

CONTACT: Deborah Land (media), 714-975-3971, or Lila Churney (investors), 714-975-3909, both of Fluor Corp.

-30- 1651

#90333p9402 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Baker, Fentress & Co. (NYSE:

BKF), a Chicago-based closed-end fund, today announced that all net capital gain realized in 1990 will be distributed to shareholders. Accordingly, the directors declared a 1990 long-term capital gain distribution of $1.25 per share, payable Dec. 26, 1990 to shareholders of record Dec. 11, 1990.

Shareholders will have the option of receiving this distribution in one of three forms: all in company shares, all in cash, or a combination of 70 percent company shares and 30 percent cash.

The directors also declared a year-end dividend of $0.32 per share from undistributed net investment income, payable Dec. 26, 1990 to shareholders of record Dec. 11, 1990. During 1990 the company previously paid three $0.125 per share quarterly dividends from net investment income. Beginning this year the regular fourth quarter dividend is included as part of the year-end dividend, resulting in total 1990 dividends of $0.695 per share.

The company's policy is to pay annually to shareholders a total of dividends and capital gain distributions that equal at least 8 percent of the average net asset value for the 12-month period ended Oct. 31 of that year. For 1990, the relevant average net asset value was $23.57 per share, making the total 1990 calendar year distribution about 8.3 percent of the target payout.

Because Baker Fentress stock trades at a discount to net asset value, total 1990 distributions as a percent of market price is even higher.

CONTACT: James P. Koeneman, 312-236-9190, or Phillip A. Urion, 312-346-0123, for Baker Fentress

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#90333p9403 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Fluor Daniel announced today that it has been awarded an engineering design and construction management contract by Seattle-based Immunex Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNX).

Fluor Daniel's Process Sector will support design and construction of Immunex's new $30 million, 50,000-square-foot manufacturing facility located in Canyon Park, Wash. The plant will greatly expand Immunex's manufacturing capacity and will be used initially for production of Leukine(tm), a therapeutic protein used to treat bone marrow transplant patients.

Engineering design work has begun in Fluor Daniel's Greenville, S.C., offices. Construction is scheduled for completion in mid-1992.

Immunex Corp. is a leading biotechnology firm focused on the research, development, marketing and manufacture of immunological therapeutic products.

Fluor Daniel Inc., Fluor Corp.'s (NYSE: FLR) principal subsidiary, is an

international engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services company with more than 50 offices around the world.

CONTACT: Deborah Land (media), 714-975-3971, or Lila Churney (investors), 714-975-3909, for Fluor Corp.

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#90333p9404 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Christmas is coming and Twinkles is here To bring you good wishes and holiday cheer; From his jingle bell antlers to his warm fuzzy nose, Twinkles spreads holiday spirit wherever he goes!

John Wanamaker enthusiastically introduces TWINKLES, a new lovable holiday moose! TWINKLES stands nearly 3 feet tall with a furry, cuddly body, a squishy green nose and jingle bell antlers! And, his name is embroidered on a warm knit scarf just in case he gets lost! (TWINKLES may be purchased at any John Wanamaker store.) TWINKLES brings good wishes and holiday cheer to all for just $29.99 with any $50 purchase. Plus, TWINKLES comes in his own shopping bag. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Some patients at the hospital will also receive their own TWINKLES as a gift from John Wanamaker.

From Dec. 3 through Dec. 15 -- send holiday greetings to the children at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Write a get-well greeting or Christmas card. Drop off your cards and letters at the Wanamaker's EZ-101 TWINKLES Mailbox, located in the TWINKLES SHOP of any John Wanamaker store (except Lehigh Valley, Oxford Valley and Reading, Pa.; Wilmington, Del.; and in Westchester, N.Y.). Then Wanamaker's, Santa Claus and TWINKLES will deliver your holiday wishes to the patients at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia to make their holidays a little brighter! (Print your name, address and phone number on your greeting card and you may win a 5-foot TWINKLES!)

CONTACT: Rita Eisenberg of John Wanamaker, 215-422-1706.

-30- 1792

#90333p9405 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHEELING, WV (Nov. 29) PR Newswire - Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp. (NYSE: QWHX) today announced it would reduce the previous price increases on sheet products effective with shipments Dec. 30, 1990, in line with recent announcements by its competitors.

Hot rolled sheet will now increase $20 per ton, cold rolled sheet $25 per ton and hot dipped galvanized $30 per ton above prices currently charged.

CONTACT: R.A. Johnson of Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel, (304) 234-2440.

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#90333p9409 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Gamma Biologicals, Inc. (AMEX: GBL), has received a Food and Drug Administration (FDA) license to market monoclonal Anti-A, Anti-B, Anti-A&B and Anti-D blood grouping reagents.

These four products are used routinely to determine the blood groups of patients and donors. Currently, Gamma, which obtained the first U.S. license for a monoclonal blood grouping reagent, is the company with the most (nine) such products.

The company has also submitted to the FDA the first application for total monoclonal Coombs reagents. The Coombs test is one of the most widely performed procedures in clinical medicine, and the reagent is the company's largest dollar sales product line.

"Since 1945, the Coombs reagent source has been immunized rabbit blood serum," Chairman David E. Hatcher stated. "Gamma owns the clones for the Coombs serum, and the raw materials for these products are cultured in-house. Now we can begin retiring our rabbit colony."

"The conversion from human and animal donors to monoclonal culture supernates as source material provides our customers with a consistent, quality reagent and increases Gamma's market share and profitability in its most important product line," reported Hatcher. "We project more than a dozen FDA-licensed monoclonal products by the end of next year, and six new monoclonal reagents are under development."

In other news, Gamma expects to announce soon an agreement with a major university medical center to develop product lines based on a significant new technology for detecting bacterial, viral, or blood group antigens and antibodies.

The company also disclosed that it has refinanced its domestic line of credit, term debt and mortgage debt with a new bank lender. Hatcher said, "We view this as a very positive development for the company, since it provides a constructive new financial relationship essential to Gamma's continued growth."

Gamma Biologicals manufactures and markets a wide range of highly refined and specialized testing products, known as diagnostic reagents, as well as specialized instrument systems. Gamma markets to hospitals, blood banks, medical laboratories, physicians' offices and research institutions. The company's common stock began trading on the American Stock Exchange on June 8, 1990.

CONTACT: David E. Hatcher, chairman and president, or John Case, vice president-regulatory affairs of Gamma Biologicals, (713) 681-8481.

-30- 2667
#90333p9410 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
SHELTON, CONN. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Raytech Corp. (NYSE: RAY) today announced that net loss for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $.5 million compared to $.6 million net income in the third quarter of last year.

Net loss per share equated to $.17 compared to $.15 net income per share a year earlier.

This reduction in net earnings is attributable to losses incurred at the newly established Allomatic Products Co., which equated to a $.9 million net loss in the third quarter.

Raytech's net sales for the third quarter were $26.7 million, an increase of $2 million or 8 percent over the same period last year. This increase is attributable to sales at the newly established Allomatic Products Co., which equaled $3.6 million. Without Allomatic's sales contribution, sales decreased $1.6 million or 6 percent compared to 1989's results. This decrease is due to reduced demand within the original equipment and aftermarket friction material product market segment.

Net sales of $98.4 million during the first nine months of 1990 increased $13.4 million or 16 percent compared with the first nine months of 1989. Excluding sales of $14.5 million for Allomatic Products Co., for 1990, sales decreased $1.1 million or 1 percent compared with 1989.

Net income for the first nine months of 1990 was $5.8 million or $1.82 per share compared to $3.6 million or $.85 per share in 1989. Excluding an extraordinary gain of $2.6 million resulting from early extinguishment of debt the company's net income for the first nine months was $3.2 million vs. $3.6 million for the same time period last year.

Raytech Corp. is headquartered in Shelton, with operations serving world markets for energy absorption and power transmission products, as well as fasteners and custom-engineered components.

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-30- 2047
#90333p9411 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
PARSIPPANY, N.J. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - BASF today released the following statement:

Allegations by Greenpeace that an ongoing research study by BASF is "fraudulent and manipulated science" are both unfounded and untrue. The most

recent study published in 1990, for example, has been peer-reviewed by a distinguished panel of international experts and has found worldwide acceptance. The title of this study alone -- "Thirty-four- year mortality follow-up of BASF employees exposed to 2,3,7,8,-TCDD after the 1953 accident" -- makes it obvious this research was not, and is not, intended to be a definitive study of dioxin.

The 1953 incident involved the accidental exposure of 69 workers at BASF's facilities in Ludwigshafen, Germany, to what is now known to be TCDD during an uncontrolled decomposition reaction in the production of precursors for herbicides. BASF immediately stopped production, implemented elaborate cleaning measures, and began caring for the exposed workers and monitoring their health. It should be noted that no TCDD samples were taken at the time because the substance itself was still unidentified. It wasn't until 1957 that TCDD was first described and it was several more years before measurements were even possible.

BASF first published the results of investigations into the health effects in 1954. Over the years, as more became known about TCDD, and as it became apparent that more people had been exposed, BASF published additional studies. The most recent involves a total of 247 people, addresses previous methodology concerns and was published this year in the International Archives of Occupational and Environmental Health. It represents an outstanding application of scientific procedure, and has received peer review from a number of scientists from distinguished organizations including the Environmental Epidemiology Unit, University of Southampton, England; the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, Oxford, England; and the National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, Md.

BASF would be happy to provide interested parties with a copy of the study.

CONTACT: William Eager of BASF, 201-397-4571

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#90333p9414 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Stewart & Stevenson Services Inc. (NASDAQ: SSSS), a leading manufacturer of diesel and gas turbine powered equipment, today announced net earnings of $8,120,000 or 54 cents per share on revenues of $173,527,000 for the third quarter ending Oct. 31, 1990. This compares to net income of $5,871,000 or 41 cents per share on revenues of $140,735,000 for the same period one year ago. Net earnings for the first nine months totaled $22,899,000 or $1.54 per share on revenues of $477,229,000 compared to revenues of $414,804,000 and net income of $18,908,000 or $1.36 per share during the first nine months of 1989.

Current period net earnings reflect a 38 percent gain over the prior year. The company's distribution segment, which serves the southwestern United

States, continues to show improvement in both revenues and earnings. The outlook for the Engineered Power Systems segment, which manufacutres diesel and gas turbine powered equipment, is very encouraging as reflected by the current level of unfilled orders.

The backlog of unfilled orders, now including operation and maintenance contracts, stands at $413 million compared to $363 million a year ago. Operation and maintenance contracts accounted for $68 million and $38 million, respectively.

CONTACT: David R. Stewart of Stewart & Stevenson Services Inc., 713-868-7657

-30- 1554

#90333p9417 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of the board of directors of American Home Products Corporation (NYSE: AHP), held today, a dividend of fifty cents per share on the outstanding shares of preferred stock of the company was declared payable on Jan. 1, 1991 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 13, 1990.

CONTACT: J. R. Considine of American Home Products, 212-878-6429

-30- 581

#90333p9418 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Brighton Woods Treatment Center, a subsidiary of the Mercy Psychiatric Institute, will open a non-hospital-based detoxification unit on Dec. 1, it was announced today.

This new unit represents a much-needed addition to Allegheny county and regional drug and alcohol service system.

Calls concerning admission into the unit will be taken 24 hours a day. A registered nurse will screen calls to determine if a particular patient is appropriate for care in a non-hospital-based detoxification center. Those patients requiring acute medical detoxification will be referred to a hospital-based center.

David A. Evanko, M.D., Brighton Woods' medical director, and Margaret Lepore, R.N., newly appointed director of nursing, will supervise the unit.

For further information call 412-734-7729 or 412-734-1010.

CONTACT: Kirk J. Dodson of Mercy Hospital, 412-232-7347

-30- 1074

#90333p9427 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
OMAHA, NEB (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - ConAgra Inc. (NYSE: CAG) has completed the sale of 4.4 million shares of ConAgra common stock in a public offering announced on Nov. 14, 1990 when the registration statement was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The issue included 4 million shares in the base offering plus an option for 400,000 shares exercised by the underwriter, Lehman Brothers, to cover over-allotments.

The issue was priced at $33.25 per share. After underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated expenses, the proceeds to ConAgra are approximately $143.4 million to be used primarily for acquisitions and also for general corporate purposes.

CONTACT: Walt Casey of ConAgra Inc., 402-595-4154

-30- 896

#90333p9431 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
IRVING, TX (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Michaels Stores Inc. (AMEX: MKE) today reported that its sales for the month ended Nov. 25, 1990, increased to $38.6 million, or 16 percent over last year. Sales at the 120 stores in operation during November of both years, increased 6 percent to $35.0 million.

Donald G. Thomson, president, noted that sales gains were most gratifying considering current economic conditions and were attributable, in part, to increased advertising expenditures and emphasis on a broader range of product offerings.

Michaels Stores Inc. is one of the nation's leading specialty retailers specializing in competitively priced home decor and arts and crafts items, with 137 company owned and operated stores in 19 states in the southern half and Midwestern sections of the United States.

CONTACT: J. Eugene Stubbs of Michaels Stores, 214-580-8242

-30- 1050

#90333p9433 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Diversified Energies, Inc. (DEI) (NYSE: DEI) said today that it has redeemed all of its preferred share purchase rights ("Rights") previously issued pursuant to the Rights Agreement dated as of Nov. 8, 1989, between DEI and Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, as Rights Agent (the "Rights Agreement").

The redemption of the Rights became effective (the "Redemption Time") immediately prior to the effective time of the merger of DEI with and into

Arkla, Inc. (NYSE: ALG), pursuant to the terms of the agreement and plan of merger dated as of July 30, 1990, by and among Arkla, Inc., DEI and Minnegasco Inc.

Pursuant to the terms of the Rights Agreement, each Right outstanding at the Redemption Time has been converted into the Right to receive $.01 per Right (the "Redemption Price"). DEI has instructed the Rights Agent to mail payments of the Redemption Price on Dec. 10, 1990 to holders of record of the Rights on Nov. 29, 1990.

CONTACT: B.J. Gibson (media relations), 612-342-4782; or K.K. Sundberg (investor relations), 612-342-4833, both of DEI

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#90333p9437 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - EdgeMark Financial Corp. today announced third quarter 1990 net income of $762,542, or $0.39 per share, compared to $780,968, or $0.39 per share, for the same quarter last year. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, net income was $2,261,271, or $1.14 per share, compared to $2,549,781, or $1.29 per share, for the same period in 1989.

According to Charles A. Bruning, EdgeMark Financial Corp.'s president and chief executive officer, the third quarter and nine-month results reflected the absorption of costs associated with the impact of a full nine-month operating cycle for the corporation's new facilities at EdgeMark Bank Rosemont and the NBC Tower facility of Merchandise National Bank. In addition, overall margins were squeezed slightly by the continued shift of customer deposits into higher yielding investments.

For the first nine months, net loans outstanding rose 9.1 percent to $291,974,128 from $267,706,128 a year earlier.

Total deposits were $405,076,059, up 4.3 percent from the $388,523,857 posted for the same period in 1989. Total assets at Sept. 30 were $468,942,599, an increase of $21.2 million or 4.7 percent.

EdgeMark Financial Corp. is a $468-million multibank holding company that owns and operates Merchandise National Bank, Chicago; Edgewood Bank in Countryside and Woodridge; EdgeMark Bank Lombard; First National Bank of Lockport; and EdgeMark Bank Rosemont.

EDGEMARK FINANCIAL CORP.
Financial Highlights

	Quarterly Comparison		Nine Months ended	
	3rd Qtr. 90	3rd Qtr. 89	9-30-90	9-30-89
Net income	$ 762,542	$ 780,968	$ 2,261,271	$ 2,549,781
Per average share				

outstanding	$0.39	$0.39	$1.14	$1.29
Net interest income	4,605,093	4,529,871	30,501,867	30,269,212
Non interest income	715,860	856,763	2,301,812	2,319,585
Non interest expense	4,496,837	4,386,344	13,352,831	12,802,743
Loan loss provision	132,000	92,337	352,500	304,892
Wtd. average shares	1,468,949	1,462,806	1,470,135	1,458,638

BALANCE SHEET:	9-30-90	9-30-89
Assets	$468,942,599	$447,710,463
Deposits	405,076,059	388,523,857
Net loans	291,974,128	267,706,128
Shareholder equity	39,557,140	38,029,111
Loss Reserve	3,178,767	4,919,852

CONTACT: Charles Bruning, president & CEO of EdgeMark Financial, 312-836-8000; or George Morvis of Financial Shares Corp., 312-943-8116, for EdgeMark

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#90333p9438 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Ed Haggar Sr. announced that Joe M. Haggar III has been named president and chief executive officer of Haggar Apparel Co. at the opening of the firm's national sales meeting here yesterday.

Dallas-based Haggar is the nation's largest manufacturer of men's slacks, sport coats, suits and ready-to-wear suit separates.

Ed Haggar, currently chairman of the board, stated that president and CEO Joe M. Haggar Jr., will assume duties as chairman of the board. Ed Haggar will become honorary chairman of the board. All changes are effective April 2, the start of the company's fiscal third quarter 1991.

"After conducting a thorough national search by the executive search firm of Korn/Ferry, we believe that the best candidate has been selected to continue the tradition of quality and innovation that has built Haggar Apparel Co.," stated Ed Haggar. "The experience and skills Joe III has developed will enable him to lead the company with the confidence and respect of associates, customers and suppliers alike."

Joe Haggar III will still maintain his present duties as president of Haggar Menswear at this time. He was executive vice president of merchandising and sales of Haggar Menswear before assuming his current position in 1985.

Joe Haggar Jr., who will be 66 in February, has served as Haggar's president since 1971 and CEO since 1985. At the announcement of his successor, Joe Haggar Jr. stated the decision reflects Haggar's desire to continue its development from a "main-stream" apparel manufacturer to one which produces clothing with more casual, updated styling to reach a broader base while

continuing to serve its traditional customers.

"Joe III understands the foundation on which Haggar Apparel was built," he added. "At the same time, Joe III is a part of the generation that is now discovering the new products Haggar has to offer, so he can seize the fantastic opportunities to add marketshare ahead of us in the '90s."

Both Ed Haggar Sr. and Joe Haggar Jr. expressed thanks to customers, suppliers and especially Haggar's many loyal associates for their support and cooperation in the past. They both felt that the strong relationships Joe Haggar III has developed with these contacts over the years will help him lead Haggar to further growth and continued profitability in the future.

"I am pleased to have been selected to head up the team -- and I stress team -- that will take Haggar in an exciting direction in the '90s," said Joe Haggar III. "Building on our commitment to quality and total customer service we will together strive to be even more consumer-oriented and expand our marketing efforts to raise awareness to the wide range of products Haggar offers."

Joe Haggar III, who will be 39 when he assumes his new positions, joined the company's management training program in 1973. He worked in data processing, production control, manufacturing and sales. He later trained in the Dallas corporate headquarters and in two manufacturing plants. In 1976, he was named Dallas service center manager, later serving as national brand manager and vice president of Division II, directing three Haggar brands.

A member of the Salesmanship Club of Dallas and the Young Presidents Organization, Joe Haggar III serves on the board of the Texas Business Hall of Fame. A graduate of the University of Notre Dame, he played varsity football for the school for three years.

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#90333p9442 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Dick Baker, president of Women's Wear for Esprit De Corp., announced today that Lori Jensen is joining the company as president of the Sport and Sportiv Division, beginning Jan. 1, 1991. Jensen was a partner with Isda & Co., a contemporary clothing company, based in San Francisco.

Jensen previously worked with Esprit De Corp. as president of Esprit Sport Division. She left the company in 1989 to pursue a career with Isda & Co. In her new position at Esprit she will be reporting directly to Dick Baker.

"We are very excited about Lori's return to Esprit based on her excellent

merchandising and marketing background," said Dick Baker. "We expect her contributions will strongly enhance our creative process and strengthen our management team."

Jensen said, "I look forward to the challenge and opportunity of working with the new Esprit team."

Esprit De Corp. is a privately held company owned by Susie Tompkins and an investor group, with headquarters in San Francisco.

For more information on Lori Jensen's return to Esprit, contact the public relations office at the headquarters of Esprit De Corp. in San Francisco, 415-648-6900.

CONTACT: Celeste Alleyne or Cassie Hughes, 415-648-6900; or Helen Orchard, 212-354-5252; all of Esprit De Corp.

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#90333p9444 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - OKC Limited Partnership (NASDAQ: OKC) announced today that it will make a one dollar ($1.00) per Unit cash distribution to all Unitholders of record as of Dec. 10, 1990, payable Dec. 20 1990.

CONTACT: Cloyce K. Box of OKC Limited Partnership, 214-233-7100

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#90333p9446 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Datamap, Inc. announced today the engagement of William Blair & Co. as its exclusive investment banker. Allen Witters, Datamap's CEO said, "This will bring Datamap both national and international exposure in the investment community."

William Blair & Co., based in Chicago, Ill., is a nationally recognized investment banking firm.

Datamap, Inc., based in Eden Prairie, Minn., specializes in digital geographic databases, mapping services and related application software. Datamap, Inc. is traded local over-the-counter in Minneapolis.

CONTACT: Allen L. Witters of Datamap, 612-934-0900

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#90333p9450 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDEN, CO (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - All people want to be the best they can be

to feel good about themselves and explore their potential. It's human nature. But millions of Americans can't realize their potential because they can't read.

That's why Coors Brewing Co. launched the "Literacy. Pass It On." campaign, a five-year, $40 million national effort to help wipe out illiteracy. Coors' goals are to teach 30,000 individuals across the nation to read by 1991, and 500,000 by 1995.

This holiday season Coors Light will air a national television commercial to support the holiday "Give the Gift of Literacy" theme. This 30-second spot features a family in which the father has just learned to read. The spot directs consumers to look for Coors Light literacy displays in their local stores.

"Literacy is one of the most top-of-mind issues facing America today," said Mark Lee, Coors Light assistant marketing manager. "Consumers want to help, and they will look for ways to do so."

That being the case, the seasonally decorative point-of-sale includes a literacy referral 800 number along with tear-off pads that inform consumers about the seriousness of the problem and tell them what they can do to help.

"The ability and the incentive to read is something that is passed down from parent to child -- like family values and traditions," said Lee. "Our goal is to support American families in their effort to be the best they can be."

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-30- 1686

#90333p9451 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Natural Gas Company (NYSE: CNG) said today that it has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement covering a proposed public offering of $200 million of convertible subordinated debentures. Proceeds of the issue would help fund the company's 1991 capital budget.

The debentures could be converted to common stock by the holders at any time. The company would have the right to call the debentures beginning five years after issue. Ten years after issue, the company would -- at the holder's option -- purchase the debentures for the principal amount, plus accrued interest.

The interest rate, conversion price and other terms would be determined by market conditions at the time of the sale. The debentures would have a maturity of 25 years. They would be subordinate to all of Consolidated's senior debt, including its currently existing long-term debt.

The offering will be managed by The First Boston Corporation and Merrill Lynch & Co.

Consolidated is one of the nation's largest producers, transporters and distributors of natural gas. Its primary marketing areas for natural gas are in Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, New York and other states in the Northeast. The company explores for and produces natural gas across the United States and in Canada.

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#90333p9453 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Republic Waste Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: RWIN) announced today that it has received written commitments for financing totaling $15 million from two separate lenders.

A&B Investors Inc., a company controlled by Robert Alpert, a member of Republic's board of directors, has committed to loan up to $10 million at any time or times up to March 31, 1991. Loans under this agreement, which are to be used to complete pending acquisitions, or for working capital, will bear interest at the greater of 13 percent or 2.25 percent over the prime rate of Chemical Bank, be secured by the stock and assets of the company's subsidiaries and be due on the earlier of one year or the arrangement of a more general credit facility for the company. As consideration for this commitment, the company will issue to A&B warrants to purchase 500,000 shares of its common stock at the same price shares are offered to the public in a pending public offering.

In addition, Republic has received a $5 million commitment from Caterpillar Financial Corp. Loans under this five year facility are available for equipment financing and refinancing.

Republic Waste Industries is an integrated solid waste company providing collection, disposal and other support services.

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-30- 1536

#90333p9454 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDALE, SASKATCHEWAN (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Shell Canada announced today plans for an enhanced oil recovery project at the Midale Oilfield in southeastern Saskatchewan. This project could recover an additional 12 million barrels from part of the existing field and generate more than $500 million in revenue.

Brian Davis, Manager of Oil Development, says the $40 million project will use carbon dioxide (CO_2) to flood about 10 percent of the Midale field. If the project's successful, it could lead to a substantially larger development by the late-90s. ''Shell launched a pilot project using CO_2 flood technology in the area in 1984 to test the capability of CO_2 for enhanced oil recovery. The results of the pilot project were very encouraging and led to the current project proposal,'' he said.

Carbon dioxide will be injected into the reservoir to move the oil left behind after waterflooding. Like waterfloods, CO_2 pushes oil towards producing wells, but because the CO_2 also mixes with oil it will capture trapped oil which was left behind by waterflooding.

Ranking as Shell Canada's first major oil discovery in 1953, the Midale field contained about 500 million barrels of oil. Davis said about 100 million barrels of the oil in the Midale field have been recovered so far and an additional 20 million barrels will be recovered by the existing waterflood operation. However, CO_2 flooding the entire field could produce in the order of 80 million more barrels.

According to Davis CO_2 flooding also fits in with the company's initiatives around sustainable development. ''As oil becomes harder and more expensive to find, it makes good sense to get the most out of existing developments. And from an environmental standpoint, it provides an opportunity to reduce CO_2 emissions from an existing source,'' he explains.

Construction on the Midale CO_2 flood project is expected to begin early in 1991, pending government approvals. Project start up is scheduled for the third quarter of 1992. Shell will operate the project on behalf of the Midale Unit working interest owners.

Davis says that a decision about whether to expand the project into the remainder of the Midale field and the neighbouring fields would be made after several years of operation. It would involve a substantial capital commitment but could provide an attractive return for both the industry and the provincial and federal governments.

CONTACT: Brian Davis, Manager, Oil Development, Calgary, 403-691-3995 or; Brent Shervey, Manager, Resources Public Affairs, Calgary, 403-691-2065, for Shell Canada

-30- 2814

#90333p9457 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTOWN, PA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of SPS Technologies (NYSE: ST) today declared a fourth quarter dividend of 32 cents per share on its common stock, payable Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of

record Dec. 14.

SPS Technologies is a global manufacturer and marketer of aerospace and industrial fasteners and precision components, tightening equipment, superalloys and magnetic materials.

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-30- 645

#90333p9462 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENLO PARK, CA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - After only three weeks on retail shelves, Mediagenic's (NASDAQ: MGNC) newest IBM entertainment title, "BattleTech: The Crescent Hawks' Revenge," is receiving impressive initial sales results at retailers nationwide. Reactions from both retailers and consumers have been so strong that the nation's largest entertainment software distributors, SoftKat and Ingram Micro D, have completely sold out their inventory.

According to Jeffrey Griffiths, vice president and general merchandising manager at Electronics Boutique, one of the nation's largest software retailers, the new BattleTech(R) title has been one of their best-selling titles this month. "We've been overwhelmed with the response to 'BattleTech' and we expect the excitement to continue well through the holidays," said Griffiths.

FASA Corp., originators of the "BattleTech" universe, reported that there are now more than 500,000 "BattleTech" fans in the United States and Europe who anxiously await the next evolution in this adventure series. Capitalizing on their board game success, FASA recently opened the BattleTech Center in Chicago, which has been hailed as the first commercial application of virtual reality. Since its opening in August, the BattleTech Center has received more than 40,000 visitors and has been featured recently on Entertainment This Week (NBC) and CNN.

Published under the Infocom label, "BattelTech: The Crescent Hawks' Revenge" is the third computer title in the series, following the popular "MechWarrior " recently named a Top Ten game by "Computer Gaming World Magazine," and the original, "BattleTech: The Crescent Hawks' Inception." In "BattleTech: The Crescent Hawks' Revenge," this newest role-playing adventure takes place on an epic scale, with 27 scenarios set on five different planets where players engage in futuristic real-time combat in giant "BattelMechs," 30-foot-tall lethal war machines armed with an arsenal of deadly weapons. Players once again assume the role of Jason Youngblood as he searches for his father who was kidnapped in the first game. Once Jason's father is found, the game shifts 20 years into the future and Jason must call upon his command abilities and combat savvy to help defend the Inner Sphere of the five Successor States from a devastating force, known as the Clans.

The game features 256-color VGA graphics that create a cinematic effect with detailed pictures of characters and scenarios. On the battlefield, Mech warriors have digitized speech that alerts players to problems and battle situations while in combat, enhanced by an original music sound track which is supported by most major sound cards. "BattleTech: The Crescent Hawks' Revenge" is now available for IBM and compatible machines and retails for $49.95.

Headquartered in Menlo Park, Mediagenic is an international developer and publisher of entertainment software for IBM-compatible computers and Nintendo video game systems. The company publishes its cartridge, floppy-disk and CD-ROM titles under the Activision, Electric Dreams and Infocom brands and serves as an exclusive distributor for products from Absolute Entertainment and Interplay Productions. Infocom publishes strategy games, graphical interactive adventures, and fantasy role-playing entertainment software.

BattleTech is a registered trademark of FASA Corp., P.O. Box 6930, Chicago, 60680. For more information on FASA or the BattleTech Center, call Dave Wylie at 312-243-5660.

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#90333p9467 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CALIF (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - A ceremony was held here today marking delivery of the first McDonnell Douglas MD-11 wide-cabin trijet to Finnair, the national airline of Finland.

Delivery of the jetliner comes 47 months after the program was formally launched in December 1986 with 92 commitments from 12 customers. A total of 375 commitments, including 174 firm orders, have been received from airlines on five continents. MD-11s can carry more than 400 passengers over intercontinental ranges nonstop.

Finnair, one of 12 launch customers, has ordered four MD-11s and has options for two more. Initially the trijet will be used for charter service from Helsinki to the Canary Islands, and later in service from the Finnish capital to such international destinations as Tokyo, New York, Los Angeles, Bangkok-Singapore and Beijing.

Douglas Aircraft Co. President Robert H. Hood said, "McDonnell Douglas is pleased and proud to extend a partnership between Finnair and our company that began nearly a half century ago. We know the MD-11 will provide the ultimate in passenger comfort and efficiency, and we know Finnair will continue a tradition of technical and service excellence with this aircraft." Finnair President and Chairman Antti Potila said that in December Finnair will be the

first airline in the world to begin service with the MD-11.

Esko Kukkonen, Finnair's executive vice president for operations, said, "Our choice of the MD-11 was strongly influenced by the excellent reliability of our DC-10 trijets. The MD-11 combines new cockpit and systems technology with state-of-the-art engines. Add to this its greater range, better payload and fuel economy and we have a superior airplane to serve our future passenger needs."

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READING, PA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Carpenter Technology Corp. (NYSE: CRS) has announced the sale of its 50-acre tract of land in Bridgeport, Conn., formerly the location of a steel-making facility.

The purchaser of the site is The Price Company (NASDAQ: PCLB), of San Diego, which has development plans for a retail shopping center on the property. Terms of the sale were not announced.

Paul R. Roedel, Carpenter chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We are pleased with this agreement since it meets our two key objectives. The sale price is within our original estimate of two years ago, and the community will benefit from the creation of new jobs and an increased tax base." Roedel indicated that the sale will have no effect on net income because the transaction is within the amount contemplated in March of 1989 when a reserve was established for the net costs to close the facility.

The Price Company, a retail developer, plans to build a 400,000 square-foot retail center on the water-front site, according to David Daddario, of North American Realty Advisory Services, who served as an advisor to Carpenter on the transaction.

A Price Club store will occupy 113,000 square feet as the center's anchor tenant, along with an additional 25 stores, Daddario said. He estimated that the retail center will help diversify the Bridgeport economy and will provide 1,000 new jobs.

Carpenter Technology purchased the Bridgeport plant in 1957, and operated the facility as a specialty metals production plant until December 1988. At that time, the company consolidated operations at the Reading plant, where the company's more modern and efficient production facilities are located. Over the past two years, Carpenter has cleared buildings from the site and prepared it for sale.

Carpenter is a manufacturer and world-wide marketer of specialty metals.

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WORCESTER, MASS. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - In a year when American travel companies are experiencing sharp decline in tourism to Europe, one U.S. tour operator has found the solution to travelers' anxieties about Iraq and about its possible impact on travel security in Europe.

ALSG (American Leadership Study Groups), of Worcester, one of America's most experienced and best-known educational tour operators, is offering an exclusive insurance plan that addresses the concerns most often voiced by U.S. travelers planning trips to Europe -- How can we plan a trip to Europe at a time of political uncertainty in the Middle East? What will we do if there's an outbreak of terrorism against Americans in Europe? Can we cancel our travel plans without forfeiting payments already made?

ALSG's unprecedented insurance plan provides complete reimbursement of all payments in case a terrorist incident occurs in -- or a U.S. State Department travel advisory warning is issued against -- and overseas destination which they are scheduled to visit within 30 days following the incident. Under the plan, ALSG travelers who cancel their trip because of the terrorist incident or the State Department warning receive a 100 percent refund of payments made for their trip.

ALSG's insurance plan also covers trip medical expenses, trip interruption, flight insurance, flight delays, baggage delays, and other travel-related protections. The plan is available to ALSG travelers for $49 (on one- and two-week trips) or $59 (for three-week and longer trips). "What's really important about this coverage," said Jonathan M. Ansell, ALSG's chief executive officer, "is that it is the only plan in the country that is fully insured by a national insurance company. We know of no other tour operator in the country that has arranged this kind of insurance to protect its customers."

ALSG has been conducting educational travel programs for all age groups since 1965. Trips range from one to five weeks, and our operated during the winter, spring and summer. ALSG groups are led by specially trained tour instructors. They spend their time visiting landmarks, museums, and other highlights of each city that convey the local culture and lifestyle. The tours are popular for both students and adults seeking travel for enlightenment as well as for pleasure. Special incentives are offered to teachers and others who organize their own groups of six or more participants.

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#90333p9474 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Ryder System, Inc. (NYSE: R), the nation's leading highway transportation and aviation services company, has renewed its contract with Doral Hotels & Resorts to co-sponsor the prestigious Doral-Ryder Open golf tournament. Ryder System has been co-sponsoring the PGA Tour event since 1987, when it signed the initial five-year contract, which was due to expire following the 1991 tournament.

Since Ryder System became involved, the Doral-Ryder Open has grown considerably in stature, prize money and popularity:

-- Its $1.4 million purse -- up from $500,000 in 1986 -- is now one of the largest on the PGA Tour.

-- In addition to the tournament and three pro-ams, several other events have been added, including a free pops concert, a celebrity dinner, a "fore-mile" race, a golf clinic for underprivileged youths, and a seminar and dinner for financial analysts. -- Considered by many pros as one of the best tournaments on the PGA Tour, the Doral-Ryder Open has consistently drawn top players, including 1991 defending champion Greg Norman, two-time winner Jack Nicklaus, Seve Ballesteros, Payne Stewart, Paul Azinger and Mark Calcavecchia. -- During the past four years, the tournament has raised more than $1.7 million in support of the American Cancer Society, chief beneficiary since 1969. -- The Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau calcualtes that an infusion of more than $5.4 million pours into the community each year as a direct result of the Doral-Ryder Open. -- The 1990 tournament had the highest television rating (6.0) of any PGA Tour event this year, higher than even the U.S. Open. This rating translates into approximately 5,500,000 households or an estimated 13,750,000 people.

CONTACT: Judi Janofsky of Janofsky & Associates, 305-372-9248, for the Doral-Ryder Open

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#90333p9476 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - At a regular meeting on Nov. 29, 1990, the board of directors of Pitt-Des Moines, Inc. (PDM) (AMEX: PDM) declared a quarterly dividend of $.20 per share of common stock, and a special year-end extra dividend of $.10 per share, both payable Dec. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

Pitt-Des Moines, Inc. and its subsidiaries operate four basic business units: Standard Products, Technology Products and Services, Steel Construction and Service Centers. PDM provides a wide range of custom engineered products, structures and facilities for commercial, industrial, municipal and

governmental customers in addition to processing and distributing a general line of carbon steel products.

PDM has facilities in the following locations: Atlanta; Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Chicago; Columbus, Ohio; Costa Mesa, Calif.; Des Moines, Iowa; Fresno, Calif.; Fullerton, Calif.; Houston; Morristown, N.J.; Pittsburgh; Sacramento, Calif.; Santa Clara, Calif.; Spanish Fork, Utah; Sparks, Nev.; Stockton, Calif.; Tenio Wash. and Tualatin, Ore.

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CHICAGO, (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Oil Company today reminded U.S. motorists that the federal motor fuel excise tax on gasoline and highway diesel fuel will be increased by 5 cents per gallon from 9 to 14 cents and from 15 to 20 cents per gallon, respectively, effective at 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1.

In addition, a one-tenth of 1 cent tax for underground storage tanks will be reinstated Dec. 1, making the total federal tax on gasoline 14.1 cents per gallon and 20.1 cents on highway diesel fuel.

"As required by law, effective Saturday Amoco will increase the amount it collects for taxes from dealers, jobbers, and most commercial customers by 5.1 cents per gallon," said Robert J. Rauscher, Amoco marketing vice president. He noted that while Amoco dealers and jobbers are independent businesspeople who set their own retail prices, it is likely that they will pass the tax increases on to their customers.

Diesel fuel for use by railroads, which was previously exempt from federal motor fuel taxes, will be taxed 2.6 cents per gallon Dec. 1. Commercial jet fuel is not subject to federal motor fuel taxes.

The gasoline tax was raised by Congress in the recently passed federal budget package that was signed by the president in seeking to cut the federal deficit.

"Amoco has typically not opposed motor fuel taxes whose proceeds are earmarked for federal or state highway funds," Rauscher said.

"However, the company has strongly questioned the use of motor fuel taxes for general revenues or deficit cutting," he said, noting that half of the revenue from the new tax will be applied to the federal deficit, while the other half will go to the highway trust fund. "The practice merely depletes resources available for infrastructure improvements, and allows government at all levels to avoid resolving the underlying problem of overspending."

Federal motor fuel taxes are applied in addition to various state and local taxes. State taxes range from 7.5 cents per gallon in Georgia to 22 cents per gallon in Connecticut and Washington.

Chicago may have the highest total tax on a gallon of gasoline in the country with combined federal, state, and local taxes of approximately 48 cents per gallon. With the addition of the new 5.1 cents per gallon federal tax on gasoline and percentage adjustments, the tax per gallon will be 53.5 cents per gallon in Chicago.

The announced tax increases are independent of any competitive market-based price changes that may occur.

Under the new law, all federal motor fuel taxes have been extended to either Oct. 1, 1995, or Jan. 1, 1996.

CONTACT: Mike Thompson, 312-856-5566, C.T. Geary, 312-856-5388, both of Amoco Corporation

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#90333p9482 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSING, MI (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Oldsmobile Division today announced it is continuing its program of consumer rebates, "Oldsmobile Values Are Now," from Dec. 13, 1990, through Jan. 7, 1991.

Buyers may take advantage of the following cash rebates:

	1990 Models	1991 Models
Cutlass Calais	$1,500	$750
Cutlass Ciera	$1,500	$750
Cutlass Supreme	$2,500(a)	$750
Eighty Eight	$1,500	$750
Custom Cruiser	$1,500	---
Ninety Eight	$1,500	---
Toronado	$2,500	$1,000(b)
Silhouette	$1,500	$500
Bravada	---	---

(a) -- $2,500 on base coupe and sedan, but $2,000 on all other models.
(b) -- Toronados in the Eastern Region will have $1,500 rebate.

Oldsmobile dealers may offer consumers a special GMAC finance rate of 4.8 percent for up to 48-month terms in lieu of the 1990 model consumer rebates or 7.9 percent for up to 48 months in lieu of the 1991 model consumer rebates. A 10.9-percent rate for 49- through 60-month contracts is also available in lieu of the consumer rebate for either 1990 or 1991 models.

CONTACT: Gus Buenz, Jill Witzenburg or Ross Ruehle of Oldsmobile, 517-377-5660

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#90333p9494 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - John Wiley & Sons, Inc., (NASDAQ-NMS: WILLA) publishers, announced today that net income for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 was $278,000, or $.06 per share, as compared with a loss of $222,000 for the comparable fiscal 1990 period. For the year-to-date, the company's net income increased from $1.6 million in fiscal 1990, or $.36 per share, to $2.4 million, or $.55 per share, in fiscal 1991.

Net income for both the fiscal 1991 second quarter and the six months include after-tax gains, relating to unusual items, of $757,000, or $.17 per share. In fiscal 1990, the comparable figures included after-tax gains of $98,000, or $.02 per share.

Excluding the effects of those unusual items, net income for the year-to-date was 9.7 percent ahead of the comparable prior-year period. Gains achieved in the company's scientific/technical/medical sector more than offset a decline in the educational sector's operating income. Increased interest income on higher cash balances -- resulting from the proceeds of businesses sold -- more than compensated for the contribution to earnings those companies would have made.

"Most of our business sectors are meeting or exceeding our expectations," said Charles R. Ellis, president and chief executive officer. "While the educational sector's earnings contribution was below the comparable fiscal 1990 periods, it was at an anticipated level and reflects our intention to continue to invest for the future in that important phase of our operations."

Revenues for the second quarter increased 6.6 percent, up from $66.0 million in the second quarter of fiscal 1990 to $70.3 million in the fiscal 1991 quarter. Revenues for the first six months were $145.7 million in the current fiscal year, a 4.5 percent gain over $139.4 million in the comparable previous period.

The fiscal 1991 unusual pre-tax gain of $1.3 million consists of the gain on the sale of Harwal Publishing's review-book series for medical students -- approximately $5.2 million -- offset by $3.9 million of charges relating to the restructuring and rationalization of certain publishing lines including the write-down of product development costs and intangibles. The fiscal 1990 unusual pre-tax gain of $8.9 million reflects the $25.9 million gain on the sale of occupational and nursing lines, offset by approximately $17.0 million of restructuring charges. The reduced after-tax effect of the fiscal 1990 unusual gain is due to the lower tax benefits accorded those unusual charges.

Founded in New York in 1807, John Wiley & Sons is an independent, global publishing company that specializes in scientific and technical books and journals, professional and trade and subscription services, and educational

textbooks and packages for colleges and universities. Its Wilson Learning Training Group provides information, services and multimedia instruction to business, commerce and industry worldwide.

JOHN WILEY & SONS, INC.
SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

Second quarter ended Oct. 31	1990	1989
Revenues	$70,347,000	$66,016,000
Unusual items- gains	1,261,000	8,883,000
Operating income	560,000	9,753,000
Income before taxes	556,000	8,245,000
Net income (loss)	278,000	(222,000)
Net income (loss) per share		
primary & fully diluted	0.06	(0.05)
Average shares		
Primary	4,397,735	4,377,320
Fully Diluted	4,397,735	4,377,320
Six months ended Oct. 31	1990	1989
Revenues	$145,733,000	$139,412,000
Unusual items-gain	1,261,000	8,883,000
Operating income	5,652,000	14,623,000
Income before taxes	4,846,000	11,922,000
Net income (loss)	2,423,000	1,617,000
Net income (loss) per share		
primary & fully diluted	0.55	0.36
Average shares		
Primary	4,416,425	4,426,640
Fully Diluted	4,416,425	4,487,112

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ATLANTA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Interagency Review Panel which is overseeing the cleanup of DDT-contaminated waters in the Huntsville/Triana area of Alabama will meet Dec. 6 in Decatur, Ala. The meeting will begin at 10 a.m. in the Interpretive Center at the Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge and is open to the public.

The Technical Committee will meet one day earlier (Dec. 5) at 10 a.m. at the Redstone Arsenal. A site tour of the remedial project area is scheduled for 3 p.m. on Dec. 5.

Under terms of a court-ordered consent decree announced in 1983, the Interagency Review Panel was established to oversee the cleanup being carried out by Olin.

In addition to the EPA, the Review Panel includes representatives designated by the Tennessee Valley Authority, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Department of the Army, and the state of Alabama. Panel participants include non-voting representatives from the Olin Corp. and the town of Triana. Construction of the remedial action project was completed in late 1987. A long-term monitoring program began Jan. 1, 1988.

CONTACT: Charles Thompson of EPA Region IV, (404) 347-3004.

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#90333p9503 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Cypress Fund Inc. (AMEX: WJR) today announced that it has commenced a tender offer to purchase up to all 6,213,816 shares of its own common stock in exchange for the net assets of the fund as of a specified valuation date. Because the assets of the fund, a closed-end investment company, consist predominantly of securities held in the fund's investment portfolio, most of the tender offer price will consist of a pro rata portion of each of the fund's portfolio securities, with the balance of the price consisting of cash. The offer is conditioned, among other things, on at least 30 percent of Cypress Fund's shares being tendered and the issuance of an order of the Securities and Exchange Commission permitting tenders by certain affiliated shareholders.

Joyce N. Fensterstock, chairman and president of the fund, said: "The self tender offer will give shareholders the opportunity to hold directly their own mini-portfolio of the fund's investment securities, which may be particularly attractive to large shareholders with the ability to manage their own portfolio." The fund's two largest shareholders, who together own over 40 percent of the fund's shares, have indicated an intention to tender, although they are not bound to do so.

As previously announced, the fund's board of directors has been considering various plans for shareholders to realize the net asset value of their shares in cash or redeemable securities. Following consummation of the tender offer, the board is committed promptly to consider adopting such a plan, although no prediction can be made of what the plan will be or how long it would take to implement.

Neither the fund nor its board of directors is making any recommendation to shareholders whether or not to tender their shares. Unless extended by the fund, the expiration date for the offer is Jan. 2, 1991 at midnight, New York time. Requests for tender offer materials should be directed to Shareholder Communications Corporation, the fund's information agent, 800-221-5724, ext. 5.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Cypress Fund Inc. (AMEX: WJR), a closed-end management investment company seeking long-term capital appreciation through investment in common stocks, today announced its performance for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, its fiscal year end.

During the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, net realized and unrealized losses were $12,014,979, equal to $1.91 per share. The fund's total net investment loss during the same period was $6,005, equal to $0.00 per share. This compares with net investment loss of $529,032, equal to $0.07 per share, and net realized and unrealized gains of $7,284,958, equal to $0.93 per share, incurred during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

For the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, the fund's total net investment loss was $525,256, equal to $0.08 per share. Total net realized and unrealized losses for the same period were $18,519,498, equal to $2.84 per share. This compares to total net investment losses of $1,625,260, equal to $0.19 per share, and total net realized and unrealized gains of $10,367,270, equal to $1.31 per share, for the same period ended Sept. 30, 1989.

On Sept. 30, 1990 total net assets of the fund were $48,715,805 as compared with total net assets of $74,521,453 on Sept. 30, 1989. The net asset value per share on Sept. 30, 1990 was $7.84 based on 6,213,816 shares outstanding, a 29.24 percent decrease from the net asset value per share of $11.08 based on 6,728,798 shares outstanding on Sept. 30, 1989.

As previously reported, the fund was authorized in October 1987 to repurchase its shares on the American Stock Exchange. The current repurchase authorization permits repurchases of shares at discounts from net asset value of 5 percent or greater. A total of 1,454,800 shares have been repurchased from the inception of the repurchase program through Sept. 30, 1990, excluding shares purchased in the July 1989 tender offer.

Mitchell Hutchins Asset Management Inc. is the investment advisory subsidiary of PaineWebber Incorporated.

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MELVILLE, NY (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Aviation Education Systems, Inc. (AES.X) a publicly traded stock listed on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange announced today the sale of 1,000,000 shares of its common stock to Commcept LTD, a Swiss company for the sum of U.S.$500,000.

AES has not increased its authorized shares, but acquired the shares from Dr. James E. Turner, AES chairman of the board, for $100,000 and reissued them to Commcept.

The company further announced that the board of directors of AES has appointed Robert Lynch, now president of AES's Barton division, to the position of president of AES, Inc.

Turner will continue as the CEO (chairman of the board) of AES and will participate directly in the development of new business.

AES is the acknowledged leader in the management of privatized air traffic control towers and U.S. weather stations. AES, Inc. trains air traffic controllers for other nations as well as sponsors programs in air traffic control with leading American colleges.

CONTACT: James Turner, chairman of Aviation Education Systems, 516-293-5400

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#90333p9507 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALABASAS, CA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Creative Computer Applications Inc. (NASDAQ: CCAI) today announced its sales and earnings for its fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990. Sales for the year increased 25 percent to $4,458,257 as compared to $3,575,944 for the prior fiscal year, and the company earned net income of $132,253 compared to a loss of $352,891 for the prior fiscal year. A spokesman for the company stated that the operating results are gratifying and are indicative of a general improvement in the company's overall business. The company is also expected to report increased sales in its first fiscal 1991 quarter.

CCAI is a provider of computer systems and products that automate biomedical testing laboratories.

CREATIVE COMPUTER APPLICATIONS INC.
Condensed Operating Results
(Audited)

	Fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990	Fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1989
Net sales	$4,458,257	$3,575,944
Net income (loss)	132,253	(352,891)
Per common share:		
Net income (loss)	$.01	($.04)
Weighted average number of common shares and common shares		

equivalent 10,540,634 9,736,770

CONTACT: Steve Besbeck of Creative Computer Applications Inc., 818-880-6700

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LOUISVILLE, KY (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Brown-Forman Corporation (AMEX: BF.A BF.B) announced that its Directors showed confidence in the future by increasing the quarterly cash dividend 8 percent from $.52 to $.56 per share on Class A and Class B Common Stock. As a result, the indicated annual cash dividend rose from $2.08 to $2.24.

The company also announced that net income for the first six months was $80.1 million or $2.87 per share compared to $85.1 million or $3.03 per share before last year's nonrecurring items. Last year's first half included a charge of $59.9 million which eliminated the remaining value of the California Cooler brand intangible assets. This charge was partially offset by an $11.5 million gain in last year's first quarter which resulted from the company's adoption of FASB Statement No. 96. Including these nonrecurring items, net income for the six months ended October 31, 1989, was $36.7 million or $1.30 per share.

Net income for the second quarter was $44.0 million or $1.58 per share compared to $55.1 million or $1.97 per share in the year-ago period, excluding last year's charge for California Cooler. Including this item, net income for last year's second quarter was a net loss of $4.7 million or $0.17 per share.

Second quarter operating results for both years were affected significantly by the timing of price increases on many of the company's major spirits brands which resulted in fewer domestic sales during the period when compared against last year's second quarter. Mr. W. L. Lyons Brown, Jr., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, said, "we anticipated a second quarter decline in U.S. beverage sales as a natural result of strong first quarter domestic sales in anticipation of price increases that occured in the middle of the summer. In spite of this decline, we are encouraged by the performance of the company's beverage business. We remain confident that we will realize solid second half performance and that Brown-Forman will achieve earnings per share growth for the full year."

During the first six months, the company surpassed its worldwide depletion goals for most of its major spirits brands. Several of Brown-Forman's major spirits brands, including Jack Daniel's, Canadian Mist, and Early Times, achieved worldwide volume growth in a very competitive market. Southern Comfort experienced a modest depletion decline. Korbel Champagne and Bolla wine also recorded moderately lower depletions in line with their respective categories.

Also during the second quarter, Brown-Forman's consumer durables segment,

Lenox and Hartmann, reported a sales increase of 15 percent. Excluding companies acquired and sold in fiscal 1990, sales rose 13 percent. Despite an uncertain retail environment experienced in the first six months of fiscal 1991, Lenox Merchandising, Lenox Crystal, and Lenox Collections achieved solid results continuing to indicate the positive response of the American consumer to these products.

Brown-Forman Corporation is one of the country's major diversified producers and marketers of fine quality consumer products, including Jack Daniel's Tennessee Whiskey, Canadian Mist, Southern Comfort, Korbel California Champagnes, Lenox China and Crystal, and Hartmann Luggage.

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#90333p9523 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOWNERS GROVE, ILL. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - MasterCard International Inc. and CIRRUS System, Inc. announced today that the 1,949 self-service cash machines of the Midland Bank in England and Wales are available immediately for use by MasterCard card and CIRRUS ATM cardholders.

"We are very excited about this newest addition to the MasterCard/ CIRRUS ATM network," said John O. Smith, president and CEO of CIRRUS System, Inc. "We're extremely pleased to be able to offer MasterCard and CIRRUS cardholders convenient cash access in the United Kingdom, which is the third most popular business and tourism destination for U.S. travelers."

Midland Bank's self-service cash machines are located in cities and towns near many favorite tourist attractions and business centers throughout England and Wales. For example, in London, Midland ATMs can be found on Baker Street, Buckingham Palace Road, The Strand, King Street-Covent Garden, York Road-Waterloo Station, and Wimbledon Hill Road, to name just a few locations.

Elsewhere in England, Midland ATMs are located in Winchester, Chester, St. Albans, Canterbury, Oxford, Bath, Jersey, Cheltenham, Salisbury, Cambridge, Stratford-upon-Avon and York; in Wales, Midland ATMs are in Cardiff and Caernarvon. In addition, Midland has ATMs in many other towns and cities throughout England and Wales.

For the convenience of MasterCard and CIRRUS cardholders traveling by air to and throughout England and Wales, Midland ATMs are located in Gatwick Airport in the International Arrivals Concourse, at Heathrow Airport in Terminal One, and at Midland's Wilmslow branch for Manchester Airport. In addition, ATMs can be found at 63 George Street and 205 Marsh Road in Luton for travelers using Luton Airport; ATMs also are situated in the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham, a 15-minute taxi ride from Birmingham Airport.

All of Midland's ATMs display the MasterCard and CIRRUS logos, so travelers can easily spot them. Travelers also may check with their own financial institutions for information about specific Midland ATM locations before they go abroad, or visit a Midland branch while in the United Kingdom to request ATM location information.

To determine whether an ATM card or credit card will work in a Midland MasterCard/CIRRUS ATM, all a traveler needs to do is check to see whether his or her card has a MasterCard or CIRRUS logo. Cards with either logo will be accepted by the Midland ATMs.

CONTACT: Kim Ross of CIRRUS System, 708-960-9070, or Sharon Watson or Carole Shifman of Haddon, Lynch & Baughman, Public Relations, Inc., 312-649-0371, for CIRRUS

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#90333p9525 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

HADDON TOWNSHIP AND TOMS RIVER, NJ (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Statewide Bancorp (NASDAQ: STWB) and First Peoples Bank of New Jersey, a wholly owned subsidiary of First Peoples Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: FPNJ), announced today that they have entered into a non-binding letter of intent to proceed with a transaction whereby First Peoples will assume more than $170 million in deposit liabilities and purchase certain of the assets of eight branch banking offices of Statewide subsidiaries in Atlantic and Salem counties, N.J.

The acquisition is subject to a number of conditions and contingencies, including the signing of a definitive agreement containing all terms and conditions of the transaction, the approval of the respective boards of directors of Statewide and First Peoples and the approval of various regulatory authorities.

Douglas E. Johnson, president and chief executive officer of Statewide, stated "This sale is an integral part of Statewide's capital plan whereby the corresponding asset reduction will enhance the capital position of Statewide."

Jerome S. Goodman, president and chief executive officer of First Peoples Bank added, "As we move forward with our planned growth by adding eight new branches, we look forward to building our core banking business and expanding our market share."

Statewide is a multi-bank holding company headquartered in Toms River. Its subsidiaries operate branch banking offices in Atlantic, Cape May, Burlington, Monmouth, Ocean and Salem counties, N.J. As of Sept. 30, 1990, Statewide had total consolidated assets in excess of $1.8 billion.

First Peoples and its parent, First Peoples Financial Corp., are headquartered in Haddon Township, with banking offices in Burlington, Camden, Cumberland and

Gloucester counties, N.J. As of Sept. 30, 1990, it had total assets in excess of $1 billion.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The World Health Organization and Marion Merrell Dow Inc. (NYSE: MKC), a major U.S. pharmaceutical company, today announced the first new drug in forty years for African trypanosomiasis (African Sleeping Sickness). This disease, which affects an estimated 25,000 people annually, is fatal if untreated.

The new drug, Ornidyl, is known as a resurrection drug, because it has been used to successfully treat more than 600 patients infected with the West African variety of sleeping sickness with very few side effects. Most of these patients have been near death.

Using Ornidyl, the World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that about 3,000 patients a year could be saved from premature death caused by this variety of African Sleeping Sickness.

The drug, which is best administered intravenously, costs about $140 for a two-week course. Marion Merrell Dow will manufacture Ornidyl in the United States and France and distribute it at cost to hospitals and health centers in Africa. Sufficient amounts of the drug will be available by the end of 1990 to satisfy demand.

African Sleeping Sickness is caused by trypanosome parasites transmitted by tsetse flies. The disease occurs in scattered foci throughout sub-Saharan Africa -- an area of some 10 million square kilometers. The World Health Organization estimates that more than 50 million people in 36 countries are at risk of contracting the disease.

The onset of sleeping sickness is characterized by malaise, fatigue and irregular, low-grade fever. It is followed by a spectrum of symptoms, including somnolence, high-grade fever, joint pains, swollen tissues, enlarged liver and spleen. As the disease progresses and the parasites invade the central nervous system, patients experience mental deterioration, seizures, coma and death.

Until Ornidyl, all major drugs used to treat sleeping sickness had serious shortcomings. Pentamidine and suramin are not effective against late-stage disease when the parasites have reached the central nervous system. Melarsoprol, which is used in late-stage disease, is an arsenic-based drug and is fatal in up to 5 percent of patients treated. In a further 5 percent, melarsopol causes severe lesions of the central nervous system.

When Ornidyl is administered intravenously -- the most effective method, few serious adverse effects have been observed. However, when given orally, it may cause mild gastro-intestinal problems -- diarrhea, vomiting and nausea.

Ornidyl acts by blocking enzymes essential for the proliferation of the trypanosomes parasites. It is the rapid proliferation of the parasites in the central nervous system that causes malaise and death.

After extensive testing, the manufacturer and WHO have determined that Ornidyl needs to be administered intravenously several times daily in large doses for two weeks.

"In its late stage, the parasite infests the central nervous system, an area where the drug concentration is lower than that seen in blood," said Paul J. Schechter, M.D., Ph.D., the principal scientist who developed Ornidyl at Merrell Dow Research Institute in Strasbourg, France. "We are still conducting research to find the minimum dosage that will cure the disease."

There are two types of African Sleeping Sickness -- the gambiense form, common in West and Central Africa, and the rhodesiense form, more common in East and southern Africa. Ornidyl, like earlier drugs, is more effective against the gambiense form which accounts for about two- thirds of all sleeping sickness cases. Ornidyl is being combined with other substances to improve its effectiveness on the rhodesiense form.

Ornidyl, also known as DFMO or eflornithine, was originally developed as a potential therapy for cancer. Promising experimental studies in animals were not duplicated in clinical trials in man. However, the research on the drug -- for human safety and tolerance -- was well-established.

As a policy, Marion Merrell Dow published its findings and offered the drug to scientific researchers. Cyrus Bacchi, Ph.D., of The Haskins Laboratory, Pace University, New York City, was studying the metabolic pathways of trypanosomes under a grant from UNDP/World Bank/WHO Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases (TDR). It was Bacchi who first demonstrated in the laboratory that Ornidyl worked against the multiplication system of the parasites.

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BEAVERTON, ORE. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Tektronix Inc. (NYSE: TEK) reported earnings of $11,693,000, or 41 cents per share, for its second fiscal quarter which ended Nov. 10. This compares with $463,000, or 1 cent per share, in the prior year's second quarter.

Sales in this year's second quarter were $309,357,000, down 6 percent from last year's $330,102,000. Customer orders in the quarter were $313 million, down 8 percent from $340 million a year ago. The order comparison for the quarter was adversely impacted by cancellation of a large order and by the discontinuance of certain businesses. Without these effects, the current quarter's orders would be approximately 1 percent below prior year levels.

"This report shows the continuing positive impact on our earnings of the restructuring moves made last spring, plus our ongoing cost containment steps " commented Jerome Meyer, president and chief executive officer of Tektronix. "The earnings and very positive cash flow in the quarter help to provide a foundation for our efforts to generate growth. While business remains sluggish, our ongoing order comparisons have held up reasonably well in a difficult economic environment."

U.S. sales in the quarter were down 12 percent from last year, and made up 51 percent of the total; international sales were up 1 percent. Communications sales were 16 percent above last year's total, while Test & Measurement and Visual Systems sales declined from last year. Geographic and product sales breakdowns for the quarter were:

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FORT WAYNE, IND. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Middle East crisis and a related drop in consumer confidence have significantly changed the short-term outlook for the auto industry, according to General Motors Chairman Robert C. Stempel.

Stempel, in remarks prepared for delivery tonight to the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce, said consumer confidence is now at its lowest since the 1980-82 period, and it dropped from almost record highs in just three months before leveling out in November.

"Many people have been taking a 'wait and see' attitude toward major purchase decisions," he said. "For the auto industry this has translated into weaker automotive demand that has meant temporary plant shutdowns and layoffs."

Stempel expressed confidence in the long-term outlook for GM, but said current market forces and an objective to achieve more level production in 1991 have caused the corporation to further reduce its fourth quarter North American vehicle production.

"At General Motors, we have significantly reduced the number of vehicles we plan to build in the fourth quarter of 1990 -- not just here at Fort Wayne, but at several of our plants across North America," Stempel said.

"Beyond an earlier 181,000 unit reduction, we are now planning to reduce our North American production schedules for the fourth quarter of 1990 by 111,000 units. As a result, GM's currently scheduled fourth quarter North American production of 1,071,000 units will be below both the third quarter of 1990 and the fourth quarter of 1989."

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - San Francisco-based PLM International Inc. (AMEX: PLM) today announced the appointment of Laurence W. Berger as senior vice president for its PLM Transportation Equipment Corp. subsidiary. Berger's responsibilities will include sourcing of international financing, specifically working with Far East financial institutions.

With over 20 years of international finance experience, Berger, 47, joins PLM International from Kidder, Peabody & Co. where he was senior vice president, Sales & Marketing. Berger is a former president and CEO of BA Futures for BankAmerica Corp. and managing director of J.P. Morgan.

PLM International is an equipment leasing company engaged in the leasing and management of transportation equipment and in operating leases domestically and internationally, and in the syndication of capital equipment leasing investments. The company operates and manages over $1.3 billion of transportation equipment and related assets for its account and various investment partnerships and third party accounts.

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CHICAGO, (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Chicago-based Allied Products Corp. (NYSE: ADP) today announced that it has engaged the services of Coopers & Lybrand to conduct its annual audits for the years 1990, 1991 and 1992.

In commenting on the above, Richard A. Drexler, president and chief executive officer, stated "Laventhol & Horwath has previously been our outside auditors, but because of its recent filing in Chapter 11 and its discharge of its professionals and staff, they are obviously unable to continue this audit. We are confident that Coopers & Lybrand will be able to complete the 1990 audit without any delay."

Allied Products Corp. manufactures agricultural equipment, transportation and industrial products and chemical specialties.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.K.'s Ministry of Defence (MoD) has awarded Boeing Defense & Space Group's Helicopters Division a contract to modernize the world's largest Chinook helicopter fleet outside the U.S. Army.

The 47-month-long Midlife Update Program is valued at more than $250 million including spares and equipment. The program will upgrade more than 30 Royal Air Force (RAF) HC Mk 1 Chinooks to new HC Mk 2 standards similar to the U.S. Army's CH-47D.

Current plans call for the first HC Mk 1 to enter Boeing's Philadelphia facilities in February 1991, and return to England as an HC Mk 2 by late November 1992. Seven more RAF Chinooks will be spaced along the modernization-production line by the end of 1992. The final HC Mk 2 delivery is set for December 1994.

The Chinook Midlife Update Program will significantly enhance the RAF's ability to provide air mobility and logistics support for British forces over the next 25 years. Equally important, the modernization program will lead to reduced operating and support costs; these long- term financial benefits allow the program to pay for itself.

Edward J. Renouard, executive vice president and general manager of the Boeing Helicopters Division of the Defense & Space Group, said: "The Royal Air Force is our largest European customer, and we're pleased to provide the RAF with a number of improvements in the HC Mk 2. These enhancements include modular hydraulic systems, improved electrical systems, stronger transmission systems, and an improved auxiliary-power unit. Full authority digital engine control is also being introduced.

"Boeing Helicopters participates in extensive reciprocal trade with the United Kingdom in support of our production requirements, achieving $262 million in continuing long-term obligations. We have issued purchase orders to more than 60 U.K. firms since 1978, including such well-known companies as Westland Aerostructures, which builds the CH-47D's fuel pods, and Lucas Aerospace, which supplies the Chinook's primary electrical power generating equipment," Renouard said.

The RAF's Chinooks are prime movers within the U.K. Support Helicopter Force. Two Chinook units -- No. 7 Squadron and No. 240 Operational Conversion Unit -- are based at RAF Odiham in Hamsphire in south-central England. No. 18 Squadron is based at Gutersloh in north- central Germany and No. 78 Squadron

is based near Port Stanley in the Falkland Islands.

Boeing Helicopters is a division of the Boeing Defense & Space Group of The Boeing Co. (NYSE: BA), whose headquarters are in Seattle.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today provided analysts and investors at a meeting here with newly published information on its $17.9 billion multifamily residential mortgage business.

The information showed that multifamily delinquencies of 60 days or more declined to 1.3 percent at the end of the third quarter, from a peak of 6.6 percent in the fourth quarter of 1988, and 3.75 percent in the third quarter of 1989.

The multifamily delinquency and foreclosure information and performance by region will be published quarterly in materials provided to analysts and investors.

The new material includes details on Fannie Mae's multifamily loans on which Fannie Mae has recourse to the lenders. The information indicates that Fannie Mae is protected either by lender recourse and collateral, lender recourse, or government insurance on $11 billion of its multifamily mortgages. Fannie Mae also has $2.9 billion in multifamily mortgages where it shares the risk of loss, and $4 billion where it accepts full risk of loss.

The company's single-family and multifamily portfolio and Mortgage-Backed Securities outstanding totaled $381 billion as of the end of the third quarter of 1990.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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SEATTLE (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - A $4.7 million contract to develop phased array antennas suitable for high-performance aircraft has been awarded to the Aerospace & Electronics Division of Boeing Defense & Space Group, the company announced today.

Rome Air Development Center, U.S. Air Force Systems Command, Hanscom Air Force Base, Mass., has contracted with the division's Research & Engineering organization to perform this high technology task.

Much of this work will be accomplished at the Boeing High Technology Center (HTC) in Bellevue, Wash. The 36-month effort will require model fabrication and testing, according to program designers.

The phased array antennas will enable high-performance, low-observable aircraft such as the B-2 bomber to connect with Milstar, the survivable communication satellite system used to link strategic nuclear forces. The antennas are very compact and may be applied on other aircraft.

The High Technology Center developed the unique packaging approach in designing the phased array antennas that should result in lower production cost and facilitate repair and maintenance.

The High Technology Center is part of Aerospace & Electronics, a division of Boeing Defense & Space Group.

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HOUSTON, (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Allwaste Inc. (NASDAQ: ALWS) stated today that the company expects earnings per share from continuing operations for the quarter ending Nov. 30, 1990 (i.e., before considering a previously announced 9 cents per share gain on the sale of the company's discontinued manufacturing operation) will be profitable, but substantially lower than analysts' current estimates of 8 - 10 cents. R.L. Nelson Jr., chairman of Allwaste, stated, "Our air-moving, tank cleaning and glass recycling businesses are performing well. However, asbestos abatement operations, which comprise about 30 percent of Allwaste's total revenues, are experiencing significant losses in the face of rapidly deteriorating market conditions."

As previously discussed in the company's press release dated Oct. 30, 1990, Allwaste's asbestos abatement division was significantly impacted during the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990 by increased competition and reduced demand for abatement services from the public sector (primarily school work). Recent publications and public debate over the health hazards associated with asbestos, much of which has been generated by special interest groups, have led to controversy and confusion as to the need to remove asbestos and may have contributed to postponement of some of the company's abatement projects. In addition, a general economic downturn during 1990 in certain key geographic areas serviced by the company has resulted in fewer commercial real estate transactions and renovation projects.

These trends are continuing and management is currently projecting that the company's asbestos abatement division will incur a significant pretax operating loss in the first quarter of fiscal 1991, which will include provisions for losses or reduced profit expectations on certain long-term contracts. The timing for a return to profitability for the company's asbestos abatement division is dependent upon the extent to which these economic and competitive trends continue, as well as the success of the company's marketing plan to penetrate the industrial sector and the impact of recently implemented overhead reductions and other cost-cutting measures. The company believes that there will be an ongoing need to remove asbestos; however, if current market conditions for asbestos abatement services worsen or the company's actions do not produce the desired results, management may consider additional steps including, but not limited to, a consolidation or downsizing of asbestos abatement operations, which could lead to asset write-downs and other loss provisions.

Allwaste, Inc. is a Houston-based environmental services company with over 90 operating locations throughout the United States and Canada.

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SAN DIEGO, CALIF (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Following a board of directors meeting of CACI International Inc. (NASDAQ: CACIA) held today, the company announced that it has signed a letter of agreement to purchase 1,364,000 common shares plus 501,000 stock options at a purchase price of $5,482,500. These shares and options will be purchased from the estate of Herbert W. Karr, deceased and recent chairman of the board and co-founder of the company.

In making the announcement, CACI Chairman Jack London said, "The board of directors has determined this transaction is a good investment that will benefit all shareholders."

CACI, in its 29th year, is an international high-technology and professional services corporation. CACI is a leader in advanced information systems, engineering, logistics, proprietary software and market analysis. CACI provides worldwide services in support of national defense agencies, civil government and commercial enterprises.

CACI offices are located in major cities in North America and Western Europe. Corporate headquarter are in the metropolitan Washington, D.C. area.

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#90333p9565 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK, (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Grant Thornton, a leading international auditing, tax and management consulting firm, today announced that it has signed a letter of intent to admit up to 25 partners and executive directors from Spicer & Oppenheim's New York office into its own New York practice.

The proposed transaction, which is subject to the completion of Grant Thornton's review of Spicer & Oppenheim's operations as well as Spicer's resolution of its existing obligations, would become effective in early December.

"We view this as a rare opportunity to expand our presence in the country's top financial center by adding a premier Wall Street auditing and tax practice to our own," said Robert E. Nason, executive partner of Chicago-based Grant Thornton, which has more than 50 offices, including four in the New York metropolitan area.

Domenick J. Esposito, 43, would continue to head Grant Thornton's New York metropolitan area practice as managing partner.

Esposito announced that, upon the transaction's closing, a new practice unit, including the admitted partners, executive directors and staff of Spicer & Oppenheim, would be formed. Cono R. Fusco, 47, a Grant Thornton partner, would serve as partner-in-charge of this new practice unit.

The transaction would give Grant Thornton more than 40 partners and 400 staff in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.

"Spicer & Oppenheim has a sterling reputation on Wall Street and special status in the financial services industry, particularly in the area of investment partnerships, securities, commodities and reorganizations," Esposito said. "The proposed transaction would strengthen our existing skills and enhance our ability to help clients access sources of growth capital."

Grant Thornton has 2,700 total staff, including 300 partners, in the U.S. The firm serves clients worldwide through Grant Thornton International, which maintains 465 offices in 60 countries.

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#90333p9576 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS, (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - AmeriServ Financial Corporation (NASDAQ:

AFCD) today announced the filing of a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering 9,423,000 shares of its common stock.

All of the shares are to be distributed to the shareholders of an affiliated company, AmeriServ Management Group, Inc., pursuant to a proposed plan of liquidation through a trust of which E. Ray Lewis, president and chief executive officer of the company, will serve as trustee. AmeriServ Financial Corporation will not receive any proceeds from the distribution. The shares being registered will be placed in a trust on the effective date of registration statement and distributed in four equal installments of 2,355,875 shares beginning with the next business day immediately following the effective date of the registration statement and at 90-day intervals thereafter, subject to shareholder approval of the proposed plan of liquidation.

In connection with the registration, the company has made application for the listing of its shares on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System (NASDAQ). Such a listing would allow the company's shareholders to follow their investment in the company through the availability of quotations and listings in selected newspapers. Previously, the company's stock was listed in the National Quotation Bureau, Inc's "pink sheets" and the level of activity and current quotations were more difficult to obtain. It is anticipated that the proposed listing on the NASDAQ will be approved shortly after the effectiveness of the registration statement.

The company has recently experienced rapid growth in its medical insurance claims processing and advance funding business and anticipates expanding its home warranty services contract business into several additional states besides Texas. In order to raise additional capital to fund the continued expansion of the company's businesses, the company has engaged Eppler, Guerin & Turner, Inc. as its financial advisor. As financial advisor, it is anticipated that Eppler, Guerin & Turner, Inc. will advise the company as to the most appropriate means to raise additional capital and will assist the company in securing such funds.

This press release and the information contained herein does not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy any securities in any jurisdiction which offering may only be made by means of a prospectus.

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NORTH PALM BEACH, FLA. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - FPL Group, Inc. (NYSE: FPL) today announced the public offering of 10 million shares of its common stock

at $27.625 per share, with an over-allotment option of 1.5 million shares. The size of the offering was increased from 8 million shares to 10 million shares, and was made through a group of underwriters represented by Merrill Lynch & Co., Goldman, Sachs & Co., and Dean Witter Reynolds Inc.

Net proceeds from the sale will be added to FPL Group's general funds and will be used to provide equity funds for its subsidiaries and/or for other corporate purposes.

A copy of a written prospectus relating to these securities can be obtained from the underwriters.

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#90333p9585 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH PALM BEACH, FL (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - FPL Group, Inc. (NYSE: FPL) today announced the public offering of 10 million shares of its common stock at $27.625 per share, with an over-allotment option of 1.5 million shares. The size of the offering was increased from 8 million shares to 10 million shares, and was made through a group of underwriters represented by Merrill Lynch & Co., Goldman, Sachs & Co., and Dean Witter Reynolds Inc.

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CONTACT: Jack Milne of FPL Group, Inc., 407-694-6321

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TOMS RIVER, NJ (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Statewide Bancorp (Statewide) (NASDAQ: STWB) and First Peoples Bank of New Jersey (First Peoples), a wholly owned subsidiary of First Peoples Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: FPNJ) announced today that they have entered into a non-binding letter of intent to proceed with a transaction whereby First Peoples will assume over $170 million in deposit liabilities and purchase certain of the assets of eight branch banking offices of Statewide subsidiaries in Atlantic and Salem counties, N.J.

The acquisition is subject to a number of conditions and contingencies, including the signing of a definitive agreement containing all terms and conditions of the transaction, the approval of the respective boards of directors of Statewide and First Peoples and the approval of various

regulatory authorities.

Douglas E. Johnson, president and chief executive officer of Statewide, stated "This sale is an integral part of Statewide's capital plan whereby the corresponding asset reduction will enhance the capital position of Statewide."

Jerome S. Goodman, president and chief executive officer of First Peoples Bank added, "As we move forward with our planned growth by adding eight new branches, we look forward to building our core banking business and expanding our market share."

Statewide is a multi-bank holding company headquartered in Toms River, N.J. Its subsidiaries operate branch banking offices in Atlantic, Cape May, Burlington, Monmouth, Ocean and Salem counties, N.J. As of Sept. 30, 1990, Statewide had total consolidated assets in excess of $1,800,000,000.

First Peoples and its parent, First Peoples Financial Corporation, are headquartered in Haddon Township, N.J., with banking offices in Burlington, Camden, Cumberland and Gloucester counties, N.J. As of Sept. 30, 1990, it had total assets in excess of $1 billion.

CONTACT: Charles G. Sanders, secretary of Statewide Bancorp, 201-240-7639.

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#90333p9598 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ABERDEEN, S.D. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Ronald J. Rivett, chairman of the board, cofounder and majority stockholder of Super 8 Enterprises, Inc., the parent company of Super 8 Motels, announced today that he and Chief Executive Officer and minority stockholder Loren D. Steele have agreed to sell the company to a group of Hong Kong based investors. The sale is expected to be finalized in January.

Super 8 Motels is one of the largest franchise motel chains in North America, and leads the economy sector with 48,300 rooms in 775 properties, located in 47 states and four Canadian provinces. The chain is enjoying record expansion in 1990, with an estimated 125 new properties opening before the end of the year. "It was an ideal time to consider a sale," Rivett said. "Our occupancy rates are up, our franchise sales are up, and our average room rate is up."

The purchase price was not released, but Rivett and Steele did reveal certain terms of the agreement. The new owners will acquire all assets of Super 8 Enterprises, except four of the motel properties that are held by the corporation. Rivett has chosen to retain ownership of those four, all of which are in Canada.

The agreement also stipulates that Super 8's corporate headquarters will remain in Aberdeen, S.D., for at least the next five years. The current

management team and board of directors will also be retained for a minimum of five years. The future owners are committed to maintaining or enhancing all services to the company's franchisees.

Rivett, who will continue to serve on the board, noted that the sale will be an all cash transaction. "This gives Super 8 extraordinary financial and management stability during a difficult time for the lodging industry," he said.

"Not only is the chain debt free, but the new owners have established a $250 million development fund to support new construction and long term financing for franchisees in the United States and Canada. We will be in an excellent position to build new properties or convert properties from those chains that are now struggling with heavy debts."

"Many of our competitors have dreamed of creating exactly this kind of development fund," Steele added, "but no one has been able to do it on this scale. People have been saying that during hard times, cash is king. If that's true, this makes Super 8 part of the royal family."

In addition to its North American development activities, Super 8 expects to embark on an aggressive program of overseas expansion, beginning with Australia in 1991. Future development is also slated for Asia, Western Europe and Eastern Europe. "We see great opportunities for market penetration in many areas outside North America," Chief Operating Officer Harvey Jewett said. "Australia and Western Europe are especially ripe for the development of an economy lodging sector like that in North America. But as the world shrinks and the economies of Asia continue to boom, other regions will become equally promising."

Rivett added that he was pleased that the corporation would remain in Aberdeen.

"Since Dennis Brown and I started Super 8 in 1974, we have always relied on the people of Aberdeen as friends and coworkers. Now they will not only continue to work with Super 8, but they will be taking part in a dramatic expansion of our position in the industry."

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WARREN, Mich. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevrolet today announced an extension of consumer incentives on 1990 and 1991 Chevrolet and Geo cars and trucks, revising some incentives and continuing others, effective Dec. 13, 1990, through Jan. 7, 1991. Current incentives run through Dec. 12, 1990.

The incentives range from $300 to $1,000. Incentives on 1990/91 Geo Metros are reduced from $500 to $300; on 1990 Prizms from $1,250 to $1,000; and on 1991 Prizms from $800 to $500. Camaro incentives for 1990 models drop from $1,000 to $750, and incentives for 1990 Astros (all models) have been reduced from $600 to $500.

Alternative GMAC financing continues to be available at a 7.9-percent rate for 12- to 48-month contracts and 10.9 percent for 49-to 60-month contracts.

Following is a complete list of Chevrolet and Geo incentives. Revised incentives are called out with an (a). Other incentives are offered regionally, and consumers should check their Chevrolet Geo dealers for details.

Passenger Cars Geo Metro 1990 $ 300(a)
Geo Metro 1991 300(a) Geo Storm 1990/91
500 Geo Prizm 1990
1,000(a) Geo Prizm 1991
500(a) Geo Tracker 1990 1,000 Geo Tracker
1991 (2WD) 500 Geo Tracker 1991 (4WD)
1,000 Cavalier 1990
500 Cavalier 1991 500 Camaro 1990
750(a) Camaro 1991
500 Corsica 1990
500 Corsica 1991 500 Beretta 1990
750 Beretta 1991
500 Lumina 1990 500
Lumina 1991 750 Caprice 1991
1,000 Trucks Astro 1990 (all models)
500(a) Astro 1991 (all models)
500 G-Van 1990 1,000 G-Van 1991
500 V-Blazer 1990
1,000 V-Blazer 1991 1,000
Suburban 1990 1,000 Suburban 1991
1,000 C/K 1500-3500 1990 Pickup & Cab-chassis
500 (automatic transmission only; excl. 454SS) C/K 1500-3500 1991
Pickup & Cab-chassis 500 (automatic transmission only; excl.
454SS) C/K 1500-3500 1990 Pickup & Cab-chassis 500 (manual
transmission) R/V Pickup & Cab-chassis 1990 750 R/V
Pickup & Cab-chassis 1991 750 S/T Pickup 1990
1,000 S/T Pickup 1991
1,000 S/T Blazer 1990 1,000 S/T
Blazer (2-Dr.) 1991 500 S/T Blazer (4-Dr.) 1991
1,000 Lumina APV 1990
500 Lumina APV 1991 500

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#90333p9611 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKY MOUNT, N.C. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Pioneer Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: PSBN), headquartered in Rocky Mount, N.C., announced that its principal subsidiary, Pioneer Savings Bank, Inc. will establish additional reserves for losses on loans, real estate owned and real estate held for investment of approximately $18 million for the quarter ended September 30, 1990. As a result, Pioneer anticipates reporting a loss for the quarter and fiscal year ended September 30, 1990 of approximately $16.7 million. Actual figures for the quarter and fiscal year will be reported following a review of these preliminary results by Pioneer's independent audit firm.

Ed G. Roughton, President, stated that the significant increase in these reserve levels resulted from an intensive review of Pioneer's loan portfolio, real estate owned and real estate held for investment, which continue to be adversely affected by the depressed real estate market in North Carolina. Roughton said, "The continuing softness in the real estate sector has adversely affected many projects and borrowers. These adverse conditions have been more severe and have lasted longer than we orignally anticipated, making the additional reserves both necessary and prudent. Our objective is to make up to date assessments of each of our higher risk loans and investment to determine the appropriate level of reserves needed to cover our potential exposure. However, we do recognize that the real estate markets are volatile and that conditions are changing rapidly, requiring continuous monitoring of events and adjustments of assumptions."

Pioneer also announced that as a result of these losses, its principal subsidiary, Pioneer Savings Bank, Inc. will no longer comply with all the minimum capital requirements imposed by the Office of Thrift Supervision. At September 30, 1990, the Bank's tangible capital ratio will approximate 1.7 percent, against a current minimum regulatory requirement of 1.5 percent, the Bank's core capital ratio will approximate 2.2 percent with the current minimum regulatory requirement being 3.0 percent, and the risk-based capital ratio will approximate 4.1 percent, which is below the current minimum regulatory requirement of 6.4 percent. These minimum capital requirements are expected to increase in the future, with the risk-based capital requirement increasing to 7.2 percent at December 31, 1990 and the core capital requirement increasing to an as yet undetermined level expected to range from 4 percent to 5 percent, in line with recent actions taken by commercial bank regulators.

As a result of noncompliance with these minimum capital requirements, the Bank is required to submit a capital plan to the Office of Thrift Supervision which may result in the implementation of additional limitations on growth, and restrictions on certain types of lending and investment activities and other aspects of the Bank's operations. Mr. Roughton noted, however, that in light of the previously announced supervisory agreements entered into between the Bank, the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Administrator of the North

Carolina Savings Institutions Division, these limitations are not expected to materially affect the Bank's results of operations. The Bank may also become subject to a capital directive from the Office of Thrift Supervision, defining the required amount and timing of an increase in the Bank's capital ratios. Roughton noted that even though the Bank would not currently meet all capital requirements, it would still have approximately $14 million in capital. He further stated that customer deposits in the bank are insured up to the applicable $100,000 limits by the FDIC.

Pioneer also announced that it has entered into a settlement agreement with certain defendants in the previously disclosed litigation involving the Bank's ownership of what are commonly referred to as the Connor bonds. At September 30, 1990, the Bank owned $3.0 million of manufactured home collateralized bonds issued by a corporation now subject to bankruptcy proceedings, which are subject to reserves for losses on these bonds of $1.3 million. Payments to be received by Pioneer under the settlement agreement are expected to result in a pre-tax income recovery of approximately $700,000. Although this recovery is expected to occur in the first fiscal quarter of 1991, the actual timing and amount of the payment will depend upon the sale of the loans securing the bonds.

Pioneer Savings Bank, Inc. is currently the sixth largest thrift institution in North Carolina with assets in excess of $540 million and 26 banking offices in eastern North Carolina.

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ROCKY MOUNT, N.C. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Pioneer Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: PSBN), headquartered in Rocky Mount, North Carolina, and Pioneer Savings Bank, Inc. announce the resignation of Theo H. Pitt, Jr., effective today, as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Pioneer Bancorp, Inc., and Pioneer Savings Bank, Inc., of Rocky Mount, North Carolina.

J. Claude Mayo, Jr., Chairman of the Executive Committee, has been elected Chairman of the Baord and Lucius S. Jones has been elected Vice Chairman. In addition, Ed G. Roughton, President and Chief Operating Officer, has been appointed acting Chief Executive Officer.

Pitt said he will pursue new opportunities that have arisen in recent months in the financial services field. Additionally, Pitt said he expects to become more involved in North Carolina politics.

Pitt said his interest in politics, which is long-standing, has been heightened by a failure on the part of the federal government to deal effectively with an array of issues, including wrenching change in the

comercial banking, savings institution and real estate sectors.

"My years with Pioneer have brought me into close personal contact with thousands of North Carolinians looking to improve theirs and their families' lives through homeownership," Pitt said. "This had brought me tremendous satisfaction over the years. Community banking -- serving the financial needs of individuals, families and the communities they comprise -- is a specialized and vital form of financial service that must be preserved."

Mayo recognized Pitt's long record of service to Pioneer and the growth achieved under his leadership. Since being named Chief Executive Officer in 1974, Pioneer has grown from an institution of $35 million in assets and one office to its present position as the 6th largest thrift in North Carolina.

Mayo further stated that the Board is committed to fully devoting its efforts to meeting the challenges facing Pioneer in these difficult economic times.

CONTACT: Ed G. Roughton, President, Pioneer Bancorp, 919-446-0611

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#90333p9614 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Munsingwear Inc. (NYSE: MUN) today announced that it had sold the assets and business of its LeRoi Princeton division to DJS Industries, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of JRM Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: JRMX). The company also reported that it earlier had completed the sale of most of the assets and business of its Canadian subsidiary to two separate purchasers. All proceeds from the sale of both businesses were paid to Munsingwear's secured lenders.

Munsingwear also announced the resignation of its chairman, Lawrence L. Horsch who resigned to devote his full attention to other business interests.

Munsingwear, Inc., a Minneapolis-based company, designs, manufactures and markets branded men's apparel and furnishings.

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#90333p9630 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was released today by the New York Daily News:

The New York Daily News today filed a lawsuit seeking treble damages in excess of $150 million in the United States District Court in Manhattan charging the striking Drivers Union, 23 of its members and the Allied Printing Trades Council of New York State (the umbrella organization for the ten Daily News

unions) with violating the federal racketeering laws (RICO) by conspiring to commit criminal acts of violence and intimidation designed to coerce the News either to accept a featherbedding settlement or to sell the paper to an ownership group that would include the striking unions.

In a 109 page complaint, the News described over 80 specific acts of violence and intimidation by union members, including arson, attempted murder, assault, robbery and vandalism, directed primarily against the 12,000 dealers who normally sell the Daily News to more than one million readers in the metropolitan area, as well as against the paper's advertisers and the paper itself.

The complaint details the "buyout plan" organized by Theodore Kheel, advisor to the Allied Printing Trades Council, and describes the pattern of intimidation and violence conducted to further that plan. The sets forth how Kheel -- "operating behind a facade of respectability -- embarked upon a plan and scheme to personally benefit from such campaign of violence and threats that he was condoning and facilitating."

The complaint also alleges that Michael Alvino, currently Drivers Union president, "ratified, condoned and incited the unlawful actions of the members of the Drivers Union," as did George McDonald, president of the Allied Trades Council.

The News' RICO complaint traces the "notorious history" of the leadership of the Drivers Union, including convictions or guilty pleas for crimes of extortion, income tax evasion, operating a union as a racketeering enterprise, kickbacks, payoffs and bribery. This includes the participation by Alvino in collecting bribes "paid as extortion" to two previous Drivers Union presidents. Each of these former presidents was convicted and sentenced to prison. Alvino avoided prosecution through a grant of immunity in exchange for his testimony.

The campaign of the Allied Council to acquire an equity interest in the News began early in 1990 at the start of negotiations with the unions over new labor contracts.

In February 1990 the unions authorized Kheel to begin an aggressive search for a buyer of the News.

The strike began suddenly during the night of Oct. 25. After the News implemented contingency plans for the production and distribution of the Daily News, members of the Drivers Union began a campaign of intimidation and violence that was, according to the complaint, "ratified, condoned and incited" by the Drivers Union. Its purpose was to coerce newspaper dealers, and then advertisers, to stop doing business with the News.

Within one week after the violence began, Kheel started actively to promote

his buyout plan despite denials by the News that the paper was for sale. According to the complaint, as the violence against the innocent newspaper dealers continued, Kheel has persisted, up to the present date, in pressuring that the News be sold to the investor group that he claims to be assembling -- a group that includes the striking unions. As recently as Nov. 27, 1990, Kheel wrote to the President and Chief Executive Officer of Tribune Company (NYSE: TRB), the Daily News' parent company, stating, "With the Daily News on the verge of collapse, I am prompted once again to request a meeting with you on the sale of the Daily News."

The complaint alleges that the defendants engaged in extortion by planning and scheming to take advantage of the violence to coerce the Tribune Company into selling the News.

CONTACT: John Sloan of the Daily News, 212-210-6349

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#90333p9632 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, Calif. (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Trefoil Capital Investors, L.P. announced today that the Aug. 24, 1990, stock purchase agreement relating to Trefoil's proposed acquisition of CNC Holding Corporation's 82 percent interest in Child World, Inc. (NASDAQ: CWLD) has been terminated by mutual consent of the parties in accordance with the terms of that agreement.

Trefoil also announced the termination of the related merger agreement under which it proposed to acquire the remaining publicly held 18 percent interest in Child World.

CONTACT: Steven D. Stern of Sitrick And Company, 213-208-1108, for Trefoil Capital Investors, L.P.

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#90333p9637 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDEN PRAIRIE, MINN (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation announced today that David B. Arnold, senior partner of the Minneapolis law firm Arnold & McDowell, has joined its board of directors. According to CPT President and CEO A.K. Dube, Arnold has been an active shareholder of the company for many years. "Mr. Arnold has had a close interest in CPT for many years," he said, "and he brings a great deal of expertise from both shareholder and management perspective. We are very pleased that he has agreed to join our board as we continue our turnaround process."

CONTACT: David Priebe of CPT, 612-949-1728

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#90333p9643 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - McCormick Capital, Inc. (NASDAQ: MKOR) today announced that McCormick Capital Management, Inc. became the general partner and commodity pool operator of the following five commodity funds: (1) Advanced Portfolio Management II Limited Partnership; (2) Thomson Commodity Partners I; (3) Thomson Commodity Partners II; (4) Thomson Financial Futures Partners I and (5) Thomson McKinnon Futures Fund.

Acquisition was approved by the limited partners of the funds. Under the terms of the transactions approved by the district court on motion submitted by the special master for Stotler Funds, Inc., McCormick Capital Management, Inc. subscribed for units of general partnership and paid a premium based on the net asset value of the funds at the closing.

McCormick Capital, Inc. is engaged in various aspects of the commodity futures and securities industry. Its subsidiary, McCormick Futures Incorporated, has been a clearing member of the Chicago Board of Trade since 1974. McCormick Capital Management, Inc. is a subsidiary of McCormick Futures Incorporated. Organization and management of futures investment limited partners has been an important segment of McCormick's business since 1982.

CONTACT: Donna Fletcher of McCormick Capital or Jack Kenner for McCormick Capital, 312-814-8000

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#90333p9644 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska). The increase of $0.50/bbl was effective today Thursday, Nov. 29, at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$32.25 for West Texas Intermediate $30.25 for West Texas Sour $32.75 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E73. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440 or Bonnie Chaikind, 415-894-1200, both of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

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#90333p9645 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROSEMEAD, CA (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern California Edison Company today announced the sale of $200 million 32-year, first and refunding mortgage bonds.

The company will use the proceeds from the financing for the redemption, repayment or retirement of outstanding indebtedness, the financing of construction expenditures, or for other general corporate purposes.

Fifty-seven million dollars of the proceeds will be used to refund the company's 11-1/2 percent Series 85C bonds, due in 2015 but callable in 1990 in accordance with terms of the issue. This action will save Edison's customers $600,000 annually.

The bonds, Series 90D, due 2022, were sold to a group of underwriters led by Goldman, Sachs & Co. The bonds were priced at 95.47 percent of the principal amount with a 9.25 percent coupon, resulting in a 9.71 percent annual cost to the company. Goldman's offer represented the lowest cost of the three competing bids received by the company.

The bonds are expected to be offered to the public by the underwriters at 96.00 percent of the principal amount, for a yield of 9.66 percent.

This offering is being made only through a prospectus, which may be obtained from the underwriters.

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#90333p9651 11/29/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (NOV. 29) PR NEWSWIRE - Great American Bank, a Federal Savings Bank (NYSE: GTA) today announced the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) has approved Great American's revised capital plan. Great American and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (NYSE: WFC) have also received regulatory approvals from the OTS and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) to complete the sale to Wells Fargo of Great American's California retail branch network and certain other assets. Wells Fargo previously received approval to complete the transaction from the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC). Phase one of the proposed transaction is expected to be completed after the close of business on Nov. 30, 1990.

"We are pleased to have received regulatory approval of Great American's revised capital plan and the transaction with Wells Fargo," said Robert L. Kemper, Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President of Great American. "We welcome the opportunity to continue operating as an independent, stockholder owned enterprise. Management will work diligently to comply with the terms and conditions of our newly approved capital plan."

Pursuant to a condition contained in the OTS orders approving the Wells Fargo transaction and Great American's capital plan, Great American consented to the issuance by the OTS on Nov. 29, 1990 of a cease and desist order. The order mandates compliance by Great American with its revised capital plan and

imposes certain additional operating restrictions on Great American. The order replaces the more extensive, detailed operating restrictions imposed on Great American in July 1990.

The order provides that a material failure to comply with the revised capital plan without prior written consent of the Regional Director of the OTS, will be deemed a material violation of the order. Other events that would constitute such a violation, if they were to occur without the consent of the Regional Director, include, among others: (1) failure to consummate either or both phases of the Wells Fargo transaction, (2) a decrease in the level of involvement in the day-to-day activities of Great American by Kemper or a successor approved by the Regional Director, (3) operation of Great American in a manner determined by the Regional Director to expose the Savings Association Insurance Fund (SAIF) of the FDIC to an inappropriate level of credit, interest rate or basis risk, and (4) making any capital distribution, including the payment of cash dividends or redemption of subordinated debt.

A material violation of the order or the capital plan would subject Great American to the appointment of a conservator or receiver or a number of lesser sanctions, including submission to a merger or acquisition of Great American negotiated on its behalf by the OTS, election to the board of directors of individuals recommended by the OTS or the reimposition of an extensive list of operating restrictions of the types Great American was subject to from July 1990 until approval of the revised capital plan. In addition, a material violation of the revised capital plan would constitute an "unsafe and unsound practice" under applicable federal statutes and could result in termination of the approval of the plan.

Great American's revised capital plan reflects the anticipated effect of the transaction with Wells Fargo and describes Great American's plans for achieving compliance with regulatory capital standards by Dec. 31, 1994.

After completion of the Wells Fargo transaction, Great American will continue to operate 81 branches in Arizona, Washington and Colorado and will continue to make single family real estate loans in California and in the three states where its branches are located.

CONTACT: Brian Luscomb, VP Public Relations of Great American Bank, 619-231-6224

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MOSCOW (NOV. 29) TASS - VADIM BAIRAMOV, USSR, WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE WORLD DRAUGHTS FEDERATION AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THIS ORGANISATION IN GRONINGEN, THE NETHERLANDS.

BAIRAMOV ALREADY HELD THIS POST IN 1984-1986 AND HIS RE-ELECTION IS THE ONLY

SUCH CASE IN THE DRAUGHTS MOVEMENT HISTORY.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 29) TASS - THE SOVIET UNION AND GERMANY HAVE BEGUN JOINT WORK TO DEVELOP A SATELLITE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM. RESEARCH RELATED TO THE FIRST SUCH PROJECT ENDED IN SUCCESS.

REPRESENTATIVES OF GERMANY'S ANT BOSCH TELEKOM, THE SOVIET GLAVKOSMOS SPACE AGENCY, THE SOVIET RESEARCH-AND-PRODUCTION ASSOCIATION OF APPLIED MECHANICS AND THE RADIO RESEARCH-AND- PRODUCTION ASSOCIATION GATHERED IN THE GERMAN CITY OF BACKNANG TO DISCUSS FURTHER STEPS IN THEIR COOPERATION.

THE ROMANTIS PROJECT WAS INITIATED BY THE INTERSPUTNIK INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION.

LEV KANTOR OF THE RADIO ASSOCIATION TOLD TASS THAT THE RESULTS OF THE JOINT RESEARCH OPENED THE POSSIBILITY OF QUICKLY IMPLEMENTING THE PROJECT.

"AS COMPARED WITH OTHER NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SYSTEMS, ROMANTIS REQUIRES MINIMAL INVESTMENTS," HE SAID. "THE PROJECT FULLY MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE WORLD ADMINISTRATIVE RADIO CONFERENCE, WHICH ENSURES THE PLACING OF SPACESHIPS INTO ANY COORDINATED POINT OF ORBIT."

THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROJECT IS TO BEGIN EARLY NEXT YEAR, KANTOR SAID. AT FIRST, THE PARTNERS WILL SIGN AN AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION, THE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLY OF COMMUNICATION SATELLITES AND GROUND STATIONS.

AFTER THAT, THEY PLAN TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT ON THE JOINT OPERATION OF THE SYSTEM.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 29) TASS -

SWISS VICE PRESIDENT AND FOREIGN MINISTER RENE FELBER WILL ARRIVE FOR AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION ON FRIDAY, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN YURI GREMITSKIKH TOLD REPORTERS TODAY.

FELBER WILL MEET SUPREME SOVIET CHAIRMAN ANATOLY LUKYANOV AND HAVE FULL-SCALE TALKS WITH SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE, HE SAID.

AFTER THE TALKS, THE SIDES WILL SIGN A JOINT DECLARATION OF INTENT, PLEDGING TO EXPAND COOPERATION IN THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND SCIENTIFIC SPHERES, PERSONNEL TRAINING AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

THEY ALSO PLAN TO SIGN SEVERAL BILATERAL AGREEMENTS TO PROMOTE AND PROTECT INVESTMENT, HELP IN EMERGENCIES AND AN AGREEMENT ON COMPENSATIONS.

THE SOVIET UNION APPRECIATES SWITZERLAND'S CONTRIBUTION TO SOLVING KEY INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS BY HOSTING IMPORTANT POLITICAL GATHERINGS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

GREMITSKIKH WELCOMED FELBER'S VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION, HOPING THAT SOVIET-SWISS TALKS IN MOSCOW WILL GIVE A NEW BOOST TO BILATERAL CONTACTS.

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MINSK (NOV. 29) TASS - THE BYELORUSSIAN TRADE UNION FEDERATION HAS ISSUED A STATEMENT OPPOSING THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT'S DECISION TO RAISE PRICES ON GOODS THAT ARE NOT BASIC OR LUXURY GOODS.

"THE IDEA TO SWITCH TO A FREE MARKET PRICE FORMATION WITHOUT NORMALIZING FINANCES AND MONEY CIRCULATION AND ELABORATING A SECURE SYSTEM FOR THE SOCIAL PROTECTION OF THE POPULATION IS ERRONEOUS," FEDERATION CHAIRMAN VLADIMIR GONCHARIK TOLD TASS.

"FEARS THAT ATTEMPTS WILL BE MADE TO COPE WITH INFLATION AND NEUTRALIZE MONEY BY MEANS OF DECLINING LIVING STANDARDS WERE NOT GROUNDLESS. PRICES HAVE BEEN RAISED," HE SAID.

"THE FEDERATION BELIEVES THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO REDUCE CONSIDERABLY THE LIST OF GOODS ON WHICH PRICES HAVE INCREASED AND DETERMINE A LIMIT FOR PRICE HIKES. THE REPUBLIC SHOULD HAVE A LAW GUARANTEEING A MINIMUM OF SUBSISTENCE AND RULES FOR INDEXING PEOPLE'S INCOMES DURING INFLATION AND PRICE HIKES," HE SAID.

THE STATEMENT HAS BEEN SENT TO THE BYELORUSSIAN PARLIAMENT AND GOVERNMENT. THE FEDERATION ALSO EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THEIR POSITION AS REGARDS THE SOCIAL PROTECTION OF WORKING PEOPLE WILL BE SUPPORTED BY DEPUTIES AT THE BYELORUSSIAN PARLIAMENT'S SESSION, SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER.

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MOSCOW (NOV 29) TASS - WAYS TO SOLVE ETHNIC, REGIONAL, LABOUR AND SOCIAL CONFLICTS WERE IN THE FOCUS OF THE SOVIET-AMERICAN SCHOLARLY CONFERENCE THAT OPENED AT THE SOVIET INSTITUTE OF US AND CANADIAN STUDIES TODAY.

THE AMERICAN SIDE IS REPRESENTED AT THE CONFERENCE BY HARVARD UNIVERSITY SPECIALISTS SCOTT BROWN AND WILLIAM URY, ONE OF THE AUTHORS OF THE BOOK "GETTING TO YES, NEGOTIATING AGREEMENT WITHOUT GIVING IN" -- A BESTSELLING BOOK IN THE 1980'S, PUBLISHED IN RUSSIAN BY THE SOVIET NAUKA PUBLISHERS THIS YEAR.

THE SOVIET SIDE IS REPRESENTED BY EXPERTS AT THE LEADING SOVIET RESEARCH CENTRES, RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT DEPUTIES AND SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS.

THE TWO-DAY CONFERENCE WILL SEEK TO IDENTIFY A COMMON APPROACH TO THE SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES -- FROM THE MOMENT A CONFLICT SITUATION ARISES TO THE MOMENT WHEN THE CONFLICT ERUPTS IN AN OPEN CLASH THAT CANNOT BE RESOLVED WITHOUT AN INTERMEDIARY, AND SOMETIMES REQUIRES THE USE OF FORCE TO RIDE BETWEEN THE CONFLICTING PARTIES.

SOVIET SCIENTISTS ARE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN HOW TO SOLVE INTER-ETHNIC CONFLICTS, ALTHOUGH MANY OF THEM SOUNDED PESSIMISTIC TODAY WHEN SPEAKING ABOUT PROSPECTS FOR SETTLEMENT IN THE SOVIET UNION.

ACCORDING TO PROFESSOR URY, THIS ATTITUDE IS UNDERSTANDABLE, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE PRESENT SITUATION IN THE SOVIET UNION, BUT IT IS NOT REASONABLE. HE TOLD THE CONFERENCE THAT CONFLICTS, INCLUDING INTER-ETHNIC, HAVE ALWAYS BEEN PART OF MANKIND'S LIFE. THEIR EMERGENCE IS UNAVOIDABLE IN A COUNTRY THAT HAS EMBARKED ON THE ROAD TOWARDS DEMOCRATISATION AND DECENTRALISATION. THERE IS NO USE DRAMATISING THE SITUATION. IT IS WISER TO LOOK FOR A SOLUTION WITH THE HELP OF SCIENTIFIC METHODS, BASED ON STUDIES OF WORLD EXPERIENCE, PROFESSOR URY SAID.

"THE PROBLEM OF CONFLICT RESOLUTION," VADIM UDALOV, FIRST SECRETARY OF THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY'S RESEARCH-COORDINATION CENTRE, TOLD TASS, "IS ACQUIRING SPECIAL IMPORTANCE NOW, BECAUSE FOLLOWING THE END OF THE COLD WAR, THE WORLD'S STRUCTURE IS CHANGING AND COMPLETELY NEW PROBLEMS ARE BEING FOREGROUNDED -- REGIONAL, NATIONAL AND ETHNIC.

"OUR CENTRE IS DEVISED TO RENDER PRACTICAL ASSISTANCE TO SOVIET DIPLOMACY IN SOLVING A VARIETY OF CONFLICTS, INCLUDING INTERNAL.

"WE ALSO WORK OUT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FOREIGN MINISTRY DEPARTMENTS DEALING WITH RELATIONS BETWEEN THE CENTRE AND SOVIET REPUBLICS.

"AMERICAN THEORETICAL STUDIES OF CONFLICTS ARE OF GREAT INTEREST TO US, AS WE ARE TAKING THE VERY FIRST STEPS IN MASTERING "CONFLICTOLOGY'. I HOPE THAT THE EXPERIENCE AMASSED BY OUR AMERICAN COLLEAGUES WILL HELP US FIND EFFECTIVE SOLUTIONS TO OUR PROBLEMS."

ANOTHER PARTICIPANT IN THE CONFERENCE, MOSCOW LINGUISTIC UNIVERSITY'S PROFESSOR ALEXANDER PORTNYAGIN, IS INTERESTED IN METHODS OF TEACHING THE THEORY OF CONFLICT SETTLEMENT. HE SAID A COURSE OF LECTURES ON THE SUBJECT WILL SOON BE DELIVERED IN HIS UNIVERSITY.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 29) TASS - A TOTAL OF 1,061,761 CRIMES HAVE BEEN COMMITTED IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION OVER THE FIRST TEN MONTHS OF 1990, 14.1 PERCENT MORE THAN OVER THE SAME PERIOD IN 1989. THE CRIME RATE HAS GROWN IN ALMOST ALL AUTONOMOUS REPUBLICS, TERRITORIES AND REGIONS OF THE REPUBLIC, RUSSIAN DEPUTY INTERIOR MINISTER GENERAL VIKTOR YERIN TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE HERE TODAY.

YERIN IS HEADING THE CRIMINAL POLICE SERVICE, RECENTLY FOUNDED IN THE RUSSIAN INTERIOR MINISTRY.

HE NOTED THAT THE NUMBER OF GRAVE CRIMES HAS GROWN BY 13.5 PERCENT. ONE OF EVERY SIX OF SERIOUS CRIMES WAS COMMITTED BY MINORS, AND ONE OF EVERY TEN -- BY ORGANIZED GROUPS, HE SAID.

OVER 439,000 CRIMES HAVE BEEN SOLVED SINCE THE BEGINNING OF 1990, OR 10.3 MORE THAN IN 1989. RUSSIAN POLICE HAVE INVESTIGATED SOME 129,000 CRIMES IN THE ECONOMIC SPHERE. ONE EVERY TEN OF EMBEZZLEMENTS WERE OF LARGE AND EXTREMELY LARGE SUMS OF MONEY, HE SAID.

THE SOVIET INTERIOR MINISTRY, THE RUSSIAN PROCURATOR'S OFFICE AND THE SOVIET KGB ARE CURRENTLY REALISING A PROGRAMME TO COMBAT ORGANISED CRIME. THE PROGRAMME FOR 1990-1991, ADOPTED IN THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR, FOCUSES ON IDENTIFYING SHADOW ECONOMY DEALERS, CRIMINALS AND DRUG TRAFFICKING LEADERS AND MOB BOSSES WITH INTER-REGIONAL TIES, YERIN SAID.

SINCE THE FORMATION OF SPECIALISED UNITS TO COMBAT ORGANISED CRIME, SERVICEMEN HAVE UNCOVERED 915 ORGANISED CRIMINAL GROUPS AND 4,861 CRIMES. THEY HAVE SEIZED A LARGE AMOUNT OF AMMUNITION AND EXPLOSIVES, 483 KILOGRAMS OF DRUGS, MONEY AND VALUABLES WORTH 9,800 THOUSAND ROUBLES. THE CREATION OF SPECIALISED CRIMINAL POLICE UNITS WILL HELP ACCOMPLISH THIS WORK, YERIN SAID.

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VILNIUS (NOV. 29) TASS - THE LITHUANIAN GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO CREATE A REPUBLICAN CUSTOMS SYSTEM AND LAUNCH ITS ACTIVITIES.

THE FIRST CUSTOMS POSTS WILL OPEN SOON. AT FIRST, CUSTOMS WILL CONTROL EXPORTS FROM THE REPUBLIC, A CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE TOLD TASS.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA

NY Rangers	16	7	5	37	110	73
Philadelphia	16	10	2	34	102	86
Washington	14	13	0	28	92	87
New Jersey	13	10	2	28	94	83
Pittsburgh	11	11	2	24	99	93
NY Islanders	9	14	1	19	65	89

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	13	7	4	30	76	71
Montreal	12	11	3	27	78	79
Buffalo	9	9	6	24	75	74
Hartford	9	11	4	22	66	76
Quebec	4	18	5	13	70	122

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	17	7	2	36	89	60
St. Louis	15	7	2	32	84	65
Detroit	11	10	3	25	88	93
Minnesota	5	15	6	16	67	92
Toronto	5	21	1	11	74	128

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	16	6	2	34	103	74
Calgary	14	9	3	31	109	83
Vancouver	11	12	2	24	76	85
Winnipeg	9	15	3	21	91	95
Edmonton	7	13	2	16	65	67

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(NOV. 29) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	11	2	.846	-
Philadelphia	10	5	.667	2
New York	6	7	.462	5
Miami	5	9	.357	6 1/2
New Jersey	5	10	.333	7
Washington	4	9	.308	7

CENTRAL DIVISION

Detroit	12	2	.857	-
Milwaukee	10	4	.714	2
Chicago	8	6	.571	4
Charlotte	8	7	.533	4 1/2
Cleveland	8	7	.533	4 1/2
Indiana	5	9	.357	7
Atlanta	4	9	.308	7 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	8	4	.667	-
Utah	7	6	.538	1 1/2
Houston	8	7	.533	1 1/2
Dallas	6	6	.500	2
Minnesota	5	8	.385	3 1/2
Orlando	3	11	.214	6
Denver	2	11	.154	6 1/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	11	1	.917	-
Phoenix	7	4	.636	3 1/2
Golden State	9	6	.600	3 1/2
LA Lakers	7	5	.583	4
LA Clippers	6	8	.429	6
Seattle	4	6	.400	6
Sacramento	1	11	.083	10

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(NOV. 29) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Sacramento at Denver, 9:30 p.m.
Seattle at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

BOXING

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Stateline, Nev. - Greg Haugen vs. Tommy Hanks

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS

New York - Tyrone Trice vs. Rafael Williams

LIGHTWEIGHTS

New York - Jose Sanabria vs. Kevin Marston

GOLF

Tarpon Springs, Fla. - JC Penney PGA and LPGA Classic

HOCKEY

Edmonton at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Hartford at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Toronto at Vancouver, 10:35 p.m.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - The U-N Security Council prepares to vote Thursday on a resolution imposing a January 15th deadline for Iraq to withdraw its forces from Kuwait. The resolution would give Iraq- quote- ''a final opportunity, as a pause of good will'' to leave Kuwait before the U-S-led multinational force would use ''all necessary means'' to oust Iraqi forces.

President Bush has signed a mammoth housing bill that gives state and local governments a much larger role in making housing decisions. Declaring ''the status quo of centralized bureaucracy is NOT working for the people,'' Bush signed the 24-point-eight-BILLION-dollar measure during a signing ceremony at the White House. It creates 360-thousand more units of affordable housing.

In Los Angeles, the U-S Justice Department has joined a federal ''whistleblower'' lawsuit against a Teledyne subsidiary. The suit, unsealed Wednesday in U-S District Court, alleges Teledyne Systems overcharged the government by tens of Millions of dollars on defense subcontracts in the 1980's.

A broadcast report says the U-S attorney's office in Brooklyn, New York, will prosecute reputed mob boss John Gotti in the killing of reputed Gambino crime family boss Paul Castellano. Castellano was shot to death in December 1985 outside a midtown Manhattan restaurant.

Lebanon's government has set next Monday as the final date for a complete army deployment in the capital... a move apparently intended to speed up the establishment of a militia-free Beirut. Wednesday's announcement appeared designed to pressure the Christian militia, which has appeared to be slowing down its withdrawal of gunmen and equipment from east Beirut.

In El Salvador, military officials say urban guerrillas attacked a prison north of the capital of San Salvador... killing four people and wounding seven. Leftist rebels have stepped up their military action in nine of the country's 14 provinces in an offensive aimed at pressuring the government into making concessions at peace talks.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - Two former top military officials say the Bush administration should give the economic embargo against Iraq more time to work before sending U-S forces into combat in the Persian Gulf. Retired admiral William Crowe told a Senate panel Wednesday- ''We should give sanctions a fair chance before we discard them. I personally believe they will bring to his knees ultimately.'' And retired Air Force General David Jones also urged caution, saying throwing 400-thousand soldiers into the region is a high-risk tactic that could unnecessarily cause fighting.

The White House acknowledges that the latest economic news indicates the nation is in a slowdown. The Commerce Department reported Wednesday that the nation's total output of goods and services increased a revised one-point-seven percent in the third quarter... while orders for durable goods jumped three-point-six percent in October. Washington economist Jean Sundrla says the numbers are obviously cause for concern, but he doesn't see- quote- ''a screaming recession here.''

Embattled Washington, D-C, Mayor Marion Barry and his wife, Effi, have split up. A spokeswoman says Mrs. Barry and the couple's son have moved out of the home she shared with the 54-year-old mayor during their 12-year marriage. The split comes just one month after the three-term mayor was sentenced on a cocaine possession conviction. Observers say Barry's trial on drug possession charges strained the marriage, particularly as witness after witness testified about his incessant womanizing.

A suburban Chicago man has set a record for flying around the world on commercial flights. 32-year-old Trey Urbahn of Mount Prospect, Illinois, says the adventure took him 102 hours and he had to endure a missed connection in Cairo and bad weather in the Midwest. Urbahn says the hardest part about the whole journey was- quote- ''going from sitting in one position for a long time and then turning into a marathon runner when I got to the airport to change planes.''

In Fort Meyers, Florida, investigators say a police dog blamed for biting a child earlier is also to blame for the death of a deputy's infant daughter. A Sheriff's spokesman says the German shepherd dog apparently lifted the two-week-old girl from her crib and dropped her on the floor... killing her. The spokesman says the dog lived with the family. There were NO signs the

infant had been mauled. The dog was impounded at a veterinary clinic pending results of the investigation.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - The Quebec Nordiques have ended a scary episode that began before Halloween.

Ron Tugnutt stopped 40 shots Wednesday night and Joe Sakic scored his 13th and 14th goals of the season, helping the Nordiques snap a club record 17-game winless streak with a 4-3 win over the Hartford Whalers.

Jamie Baker and Tony McKegney also scored for Quebec, 4-18-5, which had not won since beating Detroit 5-3 on Oct. 20. Back then, kids were thinking about Halloween costumes and Oakland and Cincinnati were still playing baseball.

During the winless spell, Quebec had been outscored 84-35. Winnipeg owns the NHL record for longest winless streak, having gone 30 straight in 1980.

Bobby Holik scored a pair of goals and Kevin Dineen also tallied for the Whalers, 9-11-4, who have dropped two in a row after running off a six-game unbeaten streak.

Tugnutt turned aside 28 shots over the final two periods, but Hartford closed within one on a pair of goals by Dineen and Holik in the final five minutes.

Quebec opened a 2-0 lead in the first period on goals by Baker and McKegney. Baker, a rookie, scored a short-handed goal from the slot at 2:35 when Claude Loiselle's centering pass from the left circle hit Baker's skate and skimmed under goaltender Daryl Reaugh's right pad.

The Nordiques made it 2-0 at 14:33 when Guy Lafleur's centering pass from the behind the net caromed through a maze of players in the slot. McKegny, who was lying on the ice after a check, was credited for the score when the puck bounced in off his helmet.

Sakic hiked the Quebec advantage to 3-0 just 24 seconds into the second period when Sakic found a seam in the Hartford defense after taking Mat Sundin's pass in the neutral zone and scored on a breakaway.

Holik put Hartford on the board at 11:20 on the power play. Holik, who was assisted by Kevin Dineen and Doug Crossman, worked down the left boards and slipped around Quebec defenseman Joe Cirella and scored from the slot.

Sakic completed the Quebec scoring at 9:18 of the third period on Sundin's second assist when he tallied from the slot.

Dineen brought Hartford within 4-2 at 15:50 and Holik's second of the game, at 19:37 on a power play, closed the game's scoring.

In other games, Washington blasted New York 6-3, Buffalo edged Montreal 2-1, Philadelphia tied New Jersey 5-5, and Winnipeg knotted Calgary 2-2.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Capitals 6, Rangers 3

At New York, rookie Peter Bondra scored his first NHL hat trick, helping Washington snap the Rangers' 10-game unbeaten streak. Bondra, from Czechoslovakia, scored a goal in each period, twice connecting in the first minute. He also assisted on Steve Leach's third-period power- play goal. Mike Gartner scored two goals, one short-handed, for New York.

Sabres 2, Canadiens 1

At Montreal, Mikko Makela scored early in the final period, lifting Buffalo. Canadiens' forward Russ Courtnall lost the puck in his own zone to Dale Hawerchuk, who fed a pass to Makela. Montreal had tied the score 1-1 at 2:36 of the second period on a 40-foot drive by Tom Chorske. Buffalo's Dave Andreychuk scored the first goal of the game.

Devils 5, Flyers 5, (OT)

At East Rutherford, N.J., Rick Tocchet scored his second goal with 49 seconds left in the third period, capping a three-goal Philadelphia rally. The second-place Flyers extended their unbeaten streak to five games and pulled within three points of the first-place Rangers in the Patrick Division.

Flames 2, Jets 2

At Winnipeg, Manitoba, Ed Olczyk scored a power-play goal 38 seconds into the third period, lifting the Jets. Olczyk, capitalizing on a two- man advantage, converted Phil Housley's rebound to cap a rally from a 2- 0 deficit. Joe Nieuwendyk scored two short-handed goals for Calgary.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - Sometimes you get one chance to be a hero. Wednesday night, Beau Reid got two.

Reid, who missed a layup only seconds earlier, buried a three-pointer with three seconds remaining Wednesday night to lift Nebraska to a 71-69 upset victory over No. 5 Michigan State.

The Cornhuskers were leading 68-67, when Reid worked free and missed the layup with 45 seconds. The miss was magnified when on the Spartans' next possession, Matt Steigenga dunked off an alley-oop lob from Steve Smith with 14 seconds to go, giving Michigan State a 69-68 advantage.

The Cornhuskers called timeout and set up Reid, who calmly drilled a 23-footer.

''I wasn't going to blow another opportunity,'' said Reid, a 6-foot-7 senior who finished with 8 points. ''I knew I was going to shoot it when I saw Steigenga drop off me to guard Rich (King) inside.''

Michigan State Coach Jud Heathcote said the Spartans made a defensive error on Reid's jumper.

''We made a mistake trying to take the lob away from King (Nebraska's 7-foot-2-inch center) and Matt was too far off Reid,'' Heathcote said.

Michigan State, 1-1, called a timeout, but Clifford Scales broke up the Spartans' inbounds pass and dribbled out the clock as time expired.

For the Cornhuskers, 3-1, it was their second straight win over a team from the Big Ten conference, following a 100-73 thumping over Illinois in the San Juan, Puerto Rico Classic last weekend.

King led four Nebraska players in double figures with 13 points while Smith, an All-America, topped all scorers with 27.

The Spartans lost the game at the foul line, making just seven of 19 attempts and missing three straight in the final 2:10.

''In a close game, those free throws have to go in,'' Heathcote said. ''We ought to be able to step up and make those.

''We had all the opportunities we could ask for to win the game, but we just didn't capitalize. I think we're a pretty good basketball team, but probably not a great team.''

Nebraska Coach Danny Nee said: ''It's as good a win as I can ever remember. We needed something like this. It's good for Nebraska basketball.''

-- AROUND THE NCAA --

Elsewhere in the UPI Top 25, No. 11 Indiana edged Notre Dame 70-67, No. 12 Ohio State destroyed Delaware St. 116-67, co-No. 14 Pittsburgh nipped Siena 82-80; co-No. 16 Georgia crushed Western Kentucky 124-65 and co-No. 16 Oklahoma downed Texas A&M 81-65.

At South Bend, Ind., Calbert Chaney scored all of his 15 points in the second

half to rally the Hoosiers over the Fighting Irish. Indiana, 3-1, went on a 14-4 run in the second half to take its first lead of the game, 55-53, with 6:46 to go. Notre Dame, 2-3, had a chance to send the game into overtime but Elmer Bennett's 35-footer went off the rim at the buzzer. The Irish were led by Daimon Sweet's 19 points.

At Columbus, Ohio, sophomore Jim Jackson scored 29 points to lead six Buckeyes in double figures. Ohio State, 2-0, set a single-game school record for points with the rout. Tom Davis led Delaware State, 1-1, with 29 points. Perry Carter added 15 points and 13 rebounds for the Buckeyes, who led from the opening tap.

At Colonie, N.Y., Pittsburgh's Jason Matthews nailed a three-pointer and free throw in the final 1:09 and the Panthers held off Siena, which upset Pittsburgh two years ago. Bobby Martin led Pittsburgh, 3-0, with 21 points and 12 rebounds. Siena, 2-2, was led by Marc Brown's 22 points.

At Athens, Ga., Jody Patton scored 21 points, making six 3-pointers to lead the Bulldogs in a laugher. The lopsided triumph marked the second-highest point total ever scored by a Georgia team. Litterial Green added 20 for the 3-0 Bulldogs. In surrendering the most points in school history, the Hilltoppers, 0-2, endured the school's worst loss.

At College Station, Texas, Kermit Holmes' 27 points helped solve Texas A&M's patient approach and helped the Sooners spoil the home debut of A&M Coach Kermit Davis. Terrence Mullins added 15 points for the Sooners while the Aggies were led by Shedrick Anderson with 14. Oklahoma, which fell in the second round of the preseason NIT to Arkansas, climbed to 3-1. Texas A&M is 1-2.

In other games: Kentucky defeated Cincinnati, 75-71, behind Reggie Hanson's 20 points; North Carolina State routed Charleston Southern, 135-80 as Chris Corchiani scored a career-high 36 points and added 10 assists. Rodney Monroe chipped in 25 for the Wolfpack.

Eric Riley and Tony Tolbert scored 18 each to power Michigan to a 72- 63 win over Central Michigan; Walt Williams' 20 points enabled Maryland to post a 72-59 victory over Southern California. Harold Miner paced USC with 22.

And it was: Ball State 100, Xavier 94; Pennsylvania 66, Southern Methodist 59.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - Former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger testified before a Senate commitee Wednesday that the United States ''could have trouble'' sustaining a deployment of 400-thousand troops in the Persian Gulf. He said that could drive the U-S to a decision favoring combat.

The countdown is under way at Cape Canaveral for the shuttle Columbia's blastoff Sunday on a long-delayed astronomy flight. Columbia's intricate countdown began on time Thursday.

The Cable News Network can resume airing jailhouse recordings of Manuel Noriega's phone calls after a federal judge lifted an order against their broadcast. Lawyers for the deposed dictator argued that any potential damage had already been done.

Authorities in Egypt have closed the tomb of Egyptian Pharaoh Tutankhamen after discovering fungus growing on priceless artifacts. They do not expect to re-open the tomb before next summer.

Two economists say the number of U-S farms will continue to decline during the 1990's, but at a slower rate than recorded in the 1980's. There are about two-point-14 Million farms in the United States, down 11 percent from a decade ago.

The National Weather Service predicts that temperatures will be colder than normal this winter east of the Mississippi River and slightly warmer than average from the Plains states to the Pacific Coast.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - Foreign ministers from the world's most powerful nations gathered in New York Thursday to vote on a U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq, while pressure for patience mounted in Washington.

The vote in the U.N. Security Council would be the 12th and most serious taken since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, and appeared to have at least tacit support from all five permanent members and a majority of the council's 15 member states.

The resolution would allow the U.S.-led multinational force assembled in the Persian Gulf to attack Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait if Baghdad's forces do not withdraw by Jan. 15.

The Security Council took another step against Iraq Wednesday, condemning atrocities committed against Kuwaitis and placing Kuwati's civil records in U.N. custody.

The council voted 15-0 to adopt a resolution that ''condemns the attempts by Iraq to alter the demographic composition'' of Kuwait and to destroy the country's civil records.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar was asked to take over the records of the Kuwaiti government and its population of nearly 2 million,

which is composed of 39 percent of ethnic Kuwaitis, 39 percent of other Arabs and the rest from India, Iran and Pakistan.

U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering, who presides over the council for the month of November, said Iraq's ''records of rapes, plunder and murders posed a direct challenge to the United Nations.''

''Iraq's crime is deepening,'' Pickering said.

But while the rhetoric became more bellicose in New York, patience was the word in Washington, where two retired chairmen of the Joint Chiefs of Staff urged the Bush administration to give economic sanctions a chance to work before attacking Iraq.

And that position, which is becoming a consensus position at least among congressional Democrats, picked up a powerful backer - Chairman Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., of the Senate Appropriations Committee, who can significantly influence defense spending and thus foreign policy. Byrd sided with the military men testifying before the Senate Armed Services Committee.

The committee is holding hearings on the administration's response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and President Bush's vow that if U.N.- sponsored military sanctions do not cause Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein to withdraw his occupying forces, they will be forced out by military action.

Later, former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger told the panel sanctions may not have the desired effect and could lead Iraq to offer to negotiate rather than withdraw from Kuwait. He said over time there might also be a lessening of international resolve.

Quoting military sources, NBC News reported Wednesday that if the United States decides to go to war, a five- to- seven-day air assault will be followed by ground attacks.

''Air assault units from the Marines - the 101st and 82nd Airborne - expect to be in the first wave after the aerial bombardment. Those units are now edging north toward Kuwait,'' the network reported.

''We should give sanctions a fair chance before we discard them,'' said retired Adm. William Crowe, who stepped down as chairman of the Joint Chiefs in September 1989. ''I personally believe they will bring (Saddam Hussein) to his knees ultimately, but I would be the first to admit that is a speculative judgment.''

''If in fact the sanctions will work in 12 to 18 months instead of six months, the trade-off of avoiding war with its attendant sacrifices and uncertainties would, in my estimation, be more than worth it,'' he said.

Retired Air Force Gen. David Jones, who held the job from 1978 to 1982, told the committee that President Bush should ask Congress for authorization to use military force, a move he said would prove to be a unifying factor in national opinion about the crisis.

The State Department attempted to answer questions about the effect the embargo was having on Iraq, saying the answer apparently was yes but they are not hurting enough to damage President Saddam Hussein.

''We know that 3 1/2 months after sanctions were imposed, they are beginning to have an impact on Iraq in various specific areas,'' said State Department spokesman Richard Boucher. ''For example, tires are in short supply, and shortages of raw materials, spare parts, lubricants and chemicals are hampering industrial operations.''

Boucher added a big ''but'' to that assessment: ''We have no assurance, however, when the embargo will achieve the objectives of the international community. Saddam Hussein has not given any indication that he is concerned about the hardships faced by his people or his country's dismal economic prospects.''

Meanwhile in Tripoli, Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi said Wednesday he failed in an attempt to arrange a meeting between Saddam and King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and therefore is ''no longer interested in the gulf crisis.''

And in the Middle East, with the Gulf crisis and a sluggish economy as a backdrop, Egypt held parliamentary elections Thursday with President Hosni Mubarak's ruling National Democratic Party virtually assured victory following a peaceful campaign.

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TOKYO (NOV. 29) UPI - Typhoon Page, weakening but still packing 78 mph center winds, began to buffet remote Pacific islands Thursday as it churned over the Pacific toward central Japan.

There were no immediate reports of casualties or damage.

''The possibility is very high that the typhoon will land on central Japan Friday afternoon,'' said a spokesman for the government's Meteorological Agency. ''Even if it veers off, it will come very close to the Pacific coast of the Honshu main island.''

Page, the 28th typhoon spawned over the Pacific this year, began to buffet remote islands off Okinawa, site of major U.S. military installations, Thursday, disrupting inter-island ferry and air service, transport officials said.

The officials said 10 scheduled flights between Okinawa and nearby islands were canceled while most of ferry operations were suspended.

Public offices and schools were closed on the island of Minami- Daitojima, about 870 miles southwest of Tokyo, the officials said.

The Meteorological Agency said Page, located about 87 miles southwest of Minami-Daitojima at noon Thursday, was moving northeast at 18 mph.

The agency said heavy downpours are expected to lash wide areas along the Pacific coast as the typhoon approaches.

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HONG KONG (NOV. 29) UPI - A French national was robbed of about $836,000 worth of jewels Thursday at Hong Kong's Kai Tak International Airport, police said.

The 38-year-old man, whose identity has not been released, apparently set a canvas bag containing jewels worth $836,000 by his seat in the airport lobby and failed to notice when a passerby walked off with the pouch.

''The man went to the check-in counter and said he was missing one of his bags '' a police spokeswoman said. ''Probably he was a French jeweler, but we don't know where he was flying and at this point we have no suspects.''

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(NOV. 29) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

NEW YORK (83)

Vandeweghe 6-10 5-5 17, Oakley 1-3 1-2 3, Ewing 12-25 3-6 27, Jackson 5-9 0-0 10, Cheeks 4-5 0-0 8, G.Wilkins 4-10 0-0 8, E.Wilkins 1-3 0-0 2, Tucker 2-3 0-0 6, Mustaf 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 36- 69 9-13 83.

DETROIT (90)

Rodman 2-4 1-2 5, Edwards 9-15 4-5 22, Laimbeer 7-16 3-4 18, Dumars 8-16 2-2 18, Thomas 2-12 0-0 4, Johnson 2-4 0-0 4, Salley 0-0 3-4 3, Aguirre 5-8 4-4 14 Rollins 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 36-78 17-21 90.

New York	29	23	14	17--83
Detroit	20	32	25	13--90

Three-point goals-Tucker 2, Laimbeer. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-New York 21, Detroit 14. Rebounds-New York 30 (Oakley 13), Detroit 35 (Edwards 7). Assists-New York 26 (Jackson 15), Detroit 19 (Thomas 9). Technicals-Detroit, illegal defense (2); New York, illegal defense (2); Detroit Coach Daly; Oakley; Thomas. A-21,454.

GOLDEN STATE (110)

Hill 1-3 0-0 2, Chris Mullin 5-16 5-6 16, Lister 4-8 0-2 8, Richmond 9-22 5-6 24, Hardaway 10-16 3-4 23, Tolbert 5-10 1-2 11, S.Johnson 0-0 0-0 0, Pritchard 0-0 0-0 0, Petersen 3-6 0-0 6, Higgins 2-5 0-0 4, Marciulionis 6-7 4-4 16. Totals 45-93 18-24 110.

CLEVELAND (108)

Nance 11-19 5-6 27, Ehlo 4-11 0-0 8, Daugherty 13-16 9-12 35, Paddio 1-8 0-0 2 Price 5-17 1-1 11, Ferry 2-5 1-2 5, Kerr 3-5 4-6 12, Morton 0-2 0-0 0, Brown 3-4 0-0 6, Chievous 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 43-89 20-27 108.

Golden State	30	30	27	23--110
Cleveland	28	31	25	24--108

Three-point goals-Golden State 2-6 (Mullin 1-3, Richmond 1-2, Higgins 0-1); Cleveland 2-9 (Ehlo 0-2, Price 0-5, Kerr 2-2). Fouled out-Lister. Total fouls-Golden State 26, Cleveland 23. Rebounds-Golden State 37 (Richmond 10), Cleveland 39 (Nance, Daugherty 10). Assists-Golden State 30 (Hardaway 17), Cleveland 37 (Price 12). Technicals-None. A-12,158.

INDIANA (106)

Thompson 5-9 0-0 10, Person 14-25 0-0 29, Smits 6-14 0-0 12, Fleming 5-10 0-1 10, Miller 5-12 9-10 19, Schrempf 7-12 5-5 19, McCloud 1-3 0-0 3, Sanders 0-2 3-3 3, Dreiling 0-1 1-2 1, K. Williams 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 43-88 18-21 106.

PHILADELPHIA (116)

Barkley 9-13 15-17 33, Mahorn 5-11 1-11, Gminski 6-10 4-4 16, Green 4-10 3-3 11, Hawkins 9-17 6-7 25, Anderson 7-13 6-6 20, Bol 0-3 0-0 0, Turner 0-1 0-0 0 Payne 0-2 0-0 0, Williams, 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-80 35-40 116.

Indiana	29	23	27	27--106
Philadelphia	27	20	33	36--116

Three-point goals-Person, McCloud, Hawkins. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Indiana 30, Philadelphia 18. Rebounds-Indiana 39 (Thompson 15), Philadelphia 38 (Barkley 12). Assists-Indiana 27 (Fleming 10), Philadelphia 20 (Barkley 5). Technicals-Indiana (illegal defense), Indiana Coach Versace, Philadelphia (illegal defense), Hawkins, Mahorn. A-9,441.

LA CLIPPERS (88)

Kimble 5-14 2-4 14, Smith 9-22 6-7 24, Benjamin 4-8 3-7 11, Grant 3-11 0-0 6, Garland 5-13 2-2 13, Vaught 2-3 0-0 4, Manning 4-10 6-8 14, Garrick 1-2 0-0 2, Martin 0-0 0-0 0, Bannister 0-0 0-0 0, Butler 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 33- 85 19-28 88.

DALLAS (107)

McCray 3-6 0-0 6, English 6-11 5-5 17, Donaldson 6-9 3-4 15, Harper 5-16 4-6 15, Blackman 13-20 4-4 30, White 4-8 0-0 8, Davis 2-5 3-4 7, Shasky 0-0 0-0 0, Alford 3-3 0-0 6, Upshaw 1-1 1-1 3, Grandholm 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 43-79 20-24 107.

LA Clippers	21	23	19	25-- 88
Dallas	15	33	27	32--107

Three Point Goals-Kimble 2, Garland, Harper. Fouled Out-none. Total Fouls-LA Clippers 25, Dallas 21. Rebounds-LA Clippers 49 (Smith 9), Dallas 52 (McCray, Donaldson 9). Assists-LA Clippers 21 (Grant 7), Dallas 28 (Harper, Blackman 6). Technicals-none. A-15,790.

SAN ANTONIO (80)

Cummings 8-20 3-4 19, Elliott 8-15 2-2 18, Robinson 6-19 5-7 17, Anderson 5-16 2-2 12, Strickland 3-9 0-0 6, Pressey 1-7 0-0 2, Greenwood 1-6 1-2 3, Schintzius 0-1 0-0 0, Williams 1-5 1-2 3. Totals 33-98 14-19 80.

LA LAKERS (97)

Perkins 4-8 7-8 16, Worthy 8-22 4-6 20, Divac 2-5 0-1 4, Johnson 4-9 0-0 8, Scott 6-12 0-0 12, Thompson 3-6 3-4 9, Green 6-9 1-2 14, Teagle 5-12 1-2 11, Drew 1-2 0-0 2, Campbell 0-1 1-2 1, Smith 0-0 0-0 0, Brown 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-86 17-25 97.

San Antonio	18	23	17	22--80
LA Lakers	27	24	23	23--97

Three-point goals-Perkins, Green. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-San Antonio 22, LA Lakers 17. Rebounds-San Antonio 55 (Robinson 15), LA Lakers 46 (Worthy 11). Assists-San Antonio 15 (Strickland 5), LA Lakers 28 (Johnson 12). Technicals-None. A-17,210.

HOUSTON (92)

Johnson 9-18 4-4 22, Thorpe 3-9 1-2 7, Olajuwon 8-18 3-3 19, Maxwell 4-10 0-0 10, K. Smith 9-17 2-2 20, Feitl 2-4 0-0 4, Wood 0-6 0-2 0, L.Smith 1-3 0-0 2,

Winchester 2-7 0-0 4, Floyd 0-3 0-0 0, Jamerson 2-4 0-1 4. Totals 40- 99 10-11 92.

UTAH (103)

K.Malone 9-14 13-15 31, Eaton 1-4 0-0 2, Stockton 6-14 2-2 15, J. Malone 6-16 2-3 14, Edwards 6-11 1-2 13, Brown 1-2 0-0 2, Rudd 4-4 2-2 11, Bailey 3-5 7-9 13, Griffith 1-5 0-0 2, Palmer 0-0 0-0 0, Munk 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-75 27-33 103.

Houston	24	14	23	31-- 92
Utah	20	22	34	27--103

Three-point goals-Maxwell 2, Stockton, Rudd. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Houston 28, Utah 16. Rebounds-Houston 42 (Johnson 8), Utah 44 (K.Malone 13). Assists-Houston 22 (Johnson, Maxwell 5), Utah 24 (Stockton 12). Technicals-Olajuwon, K. Malone, Edwards. A-12,616.

NEW JERSEY (79)

Coleman 5-13 4-5 14, Morris 0-4 0-2 0, Bowie 4-8 5-8 13, Blaylock 3-10 0-0 7, Theus 5-14 1-2 11, Dudley 6-12 0-0 12, Gervin 4-11 3-5 11, Haley 2-3 0-0 4, Conner 0-2 0-0 0, Buechler 2-5 1-2 5, Lee 1-3 0-0 2, George 0-4 0-0 0. Totals 32-89 14- 24 79.

MIAMI (97)

Davis 2-5 1-1 5, Rice 7-13 1-1 16, Seikaly 7-10 3-9 17, Douglas 2-8 1-2 5, Edwards 5-9 10-12 20, Coles 2-8 2-2 6, Kessler 3-5 2-2 8, Burton 1-7 5-5 7, Long 5-8 3-3 13, Sundvold 0-1 0-0 0, Wagner 0-2 0-0 0, Thompson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 34-76 28-37 97.

New Jersey	23	15	22	19--79
Miami	26	19	26	26--97

Three-point goals-Blaylock, Rice. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-New Jersey 26, Miami 24. Rebounds-New Jersey 42 (Coleman 12), Miami 47 (Seikaly 9). Assists-New Jersey 16 (Theus 4), Miami 24 (Rice 8). Technicals-New Jersey illegal defense. A-15,008.

WASHINGTON (94)

B.King 7-15 2-2 16, Ha.Grant 7-13 2-4 16, Jones 0-0 0-0 0, Workman 2-4 0-0 4, Walker 5-11 1-2 11, Ellison 8-15 1-2 17, Eackles 4-12 2-6 10, Hammonds 3-6 0-0 6, English 0-1 0-0 0, Alarie 0-1 0-0 0, Foster 3-5 0-0 6, Irvin 4-6 0-0 8. Totals 43-89 8-16 94.

CHICAGO (118)

Pippen 7-11 1-4 15, Ho.Grant 5-7 0-2 10, Cartwright 4-5 0-1 8, Paxson 2-4 0-0 4, Jordan 11-15 2-3 24, Armstrong 8-9 0-0 16, Levingston 2-7 2-2 6, Hopson 5-13 1-2 11, S.King 3-5 2-2 8, Perdue 4-6 2-4 10, Williams 1-1 0-0 2, Hodges 2-7 0-0 4. Totals 54-90 10-20 118.

Washington	26	20	19	29-- 94
Chicago	39	29	19	31--118

Three-point goals-None. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Washington 21, Chicago 17. Rebounds-Washington 37 (Ellison 14), Chicago 40 (Cartwright 8). Assists-Washington 31 (Workman 7), Chicago 36 (Jordan 7). Technicals-None. A-18,165.

MILWAUKEE (111)

Roberts 5-10 1-2 11, Brickowski 1-4 2-2 4, Sikma 7-16 2-2 18, Robertson 7-14 8-10 22, Humphries 5-10 0-0 10, Pierce 9-19 8-8 28, Schayes 3-4 0-0 6, Grayer 1-2 0-0 2, Lohaus 3-5 0-0 6, Henson dnp, Anderson 1-5 2-2 4, Kornet dnp. Totals 42-89 23-26 111.

CHARLOTTE (118)

Newman 6-9 4-4 16, Gilliam 8-13 4-4 20, Reid 6-12 9-11 21, Bogues 2-6 2-2 6, Chapman 9-22 1-1 21, Gattison 3-4 6-10 12, Curry 4-6 0-0 8, Gill 3-7 0-1 6, Tripucka 3-6 2-2 8, Hoppen dnp, Scheffler dnp, Keys dnp. Totals 44-85 28-35 118.

Milwaukee	31	21	24	26	9--111
Charlotte	25	22	27	28	16--118

Three-point goals-Sikma 2, Pierce 2, Chapman 2. Fouled out-Brickowski. Total fouls-Milwaukee 30 (Brickowski 6), Charlotte 20 (Newman 4). Rebounds-Milwaukee 39 (Sikma 7), Charlotte 43 (Gilliam 11). Assists-Milwaukee 28 (Robertson 12), Charlotte 29 (Bogues 13). Technicals-Charlotte (illegal defense). A- 23,901.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Buffalo	1-0-1--2
Montreal	0-1-0--1

First period-1, Buffalo, Andreychuk 11 (Ledyard), 15:11.

Penalties-Ruutu, Buf, 7:19; Kennedy, Buf, 10:01; Skrudland, Mtl, 16:23; Foligno, Buf, 16:54.

Second period-2, Montreal, Chorske 4 (Lebeau, Pederson), 2:36.

Penalties-Odelein, Mtl, 14:07; Vaive, Buf, 19:37.

Third period-3, Buffalo, Makela 8 (Hawerchuk), 3:48.

Penalties-Hogue, Buf, 9:40; Diduck, Mtl, 9:40; Buf bench (served by Ray), 10:39.

Shots on goal-Buffalo 5-8-7-20. Montreal 11- 11-9-31.

Power-play conversions-Buffalo 2-0. Montreal 5-0.

Goaltenders-Buffalo, Malarchuk. Montreal, Roy. A-16,322.

Referee-Denis Morel.

Washington	1	2	3	--6
NY Rangers	1	0	2	--3

First period-1, NY Rangers, Gartner 12 (Turcotte, King), 10:02. 2, Washington, Bondra 7 (Pivonka, K.Miller), 16:48.

Penalties-Shaw, NYR, 0:16; Kypreos, Was, 3:56; Leetch, NYR, 19:13.

Second period-3, Washington, Bondra 8 (Hatcher), 0:21. 4, Washington, Rouse 4 (Hunter, Pivonka), pp, 10:17.

Penalties-Ridley, Was, 4:50; Nicholls, NYR, 8:17.

Third period-5, Washington Bondra 9 (Pivonka, K.Miller), 0:44. 6, Washington, Leach 6 (Bondra, Hatcher), 5:04. 7, Washington, Pivonka 8 (Hatcher, Hunter), 7:32. 8, NY Rangers, Sheppard 11 (Shaw, Rochefort), 9:19. 9, NY Rangers, Gartner 13 (Turcotte), sh, 12:27.

Penalties-Shaw, NYR, 4:49; King, NYR, 5:21; Joyce, Was, 10:34; Vial, NYR, 10:34; May, Was, major (fighting), 11:52; Mallette, NYR, double minor-major (fighting) 11:52.

Power-play conversions-Washington 7-3. NY Rangers 3-0.

Goaltenders-Washington, Liut. NY Rangers, Richter. Shots on goal- Washington 11-6-15-32. NY Rangers 5-11-5- 21. A-15,589.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

Quebec	2	1	1	--4

Hartford 0-1-2--3

First period-1, Quebec, Baker 2 (Loiselle), sh, 2:37. 2, Quebec, McKegney 9 (Lafleur, Hrkac), 14:35.

Penalties-Leschyshyn, Que, 1:40; Sundin, Que, 7:04; Dineen, Har, 7:04; Cirella Que, 16:14; Corriveau, Har, 16:14; Cirella, Que, 20:00; Gillis, Que, 20:00; Verbeek, Har, 20:00; Francis, Har, 20:00.

Second period-3, Quebec, Sakic 13 (Sundin, Leschyshyn), :24. 4, Hartford, Holik 5 (Dineen, Crossman), pp, 11:20.

Penalties-Finn, Que, double-minor, (attempting to spear) served by Quinney, 10:00; Evason, Har, 10:00; Holik, Har, 14:16; McKegney, Que, 19:23.

Third period-5, Quebec, Sakic 14 (Sundin, Hough), 9:18. 6, Hartford, Dineen 10 (Evason, Andersson), 15:50. 7, Hartford, Holik 6 (Crossman, Verbeek), pp, 19:37.

Penalties-Wolanin, Que, 14:15; Verbeek, Har, 14:15; Finn, Que, 18:58.

Shots on goal-Quebec 8-7-4-19. Hartford 12- 13-18-43.

Power-play conversions-Quebec 1-0. Hartford 4-2.

Goaltenders-Quebec, Tugnutt. Hartford, Reaugh. A-10,682.

Referee-Andy Van Hellemond.

Philadelphia	1	1	3	0--5
New Jersey	0	3	2	0--5

First period-1, Philadelphia, Tocchet 17 (Eklund, Acton), 16:57.

Penalties-None.

Second period-2, Philadelphia, Baron 2 (unassisted), pp, 4:06. 3, New Jersey, MacLean 14 (unassisted), 8:34. 4, New Jersey, Conacher 3 (Brown), 14:36. 5, New Jersey, Stastny 7 (Muller, Lemieux), 15:57.

Penalties-Lemieux, NJ, 2:41; Hostak, Phi, 10:37; Maley, NJ, 16:45.

Third period-6, New Jersey, Daneyko 3 (Stastny, Lemieux), 2:44. 7, New Jersey, MacLean 15 (Conacher, Kasatonov), 5:18. 8, Philadelphia, Rumble 1 (unassisted) 16:22. 9, Philadelphia, Carkner 3 (Craven, Sutter), pp, 18:13. 10, Philadelphia, Tocchet 18 (Eklund, Ricci).

Penalties-Acton, Phi, 13:58; Lemieux, NJ, 13:58; Carkner, Phi, 14:32; Crowder,

NJ, 14:32; Weinrich, NJ, 16:40.

Overtime-No scoring.

Penalties-Ricci, Phi, 3:59.

Shots on goal-Philadelphia 7-10-6-1-24. New Jersey 8-14-11-2-35.

Power-play conversions-Philadelphia 3-2. New Jersey 2-0.

Goaltenders-Philadelphia, Peeters, Hoffort (2:44, 3rd per.) New Jersey, Burke. A-11, 873.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

Calgary	2	0	0	0	--2
Winnipeg	1	0	1	0	--2

First period-1, Calgary, Nieuwendyk 16 (unassisted), sh, 9:29. 2, Calgary, Nieuwendyk 17 (Matteau, MacInnis), sh, 15:57. 3. Winnipeg, Mantha 3 (unassisted), pp, 16:40.

Penalties-Murzyn, Cgy, 5:02; Makarov, Cgy, 7:40; Otto, Cgy (double minor), 7:55; Carlyle, Wpg, 9:58; Mantha, Wpg, 11:39; Roberts, Cgy, major (fighting), 14:28; McDermid, Wpg, major (fighting), 14:28; Otto, Cgy, 14:44; T. Hunter, Cgy, major (fighting) misconduct, 14:44; Arniel, Wpg, 14:44; Cronin, Wpg, major (fighting), misconduct; 14:44; M.Hunter, Cgy, 17:57; Sykes, Wpg, 17:57; Sykes, Cgy, 12:34; Suter, Cgy, 18:44.

Second period-None.

Penalties-Suter, Cgy, 3:46; Roberts, Cgy, 3:46; Osborne, Wpg, 3:46; MacLellan, Cgy, 6:42; Mantha, Wpg, 9:07; Ashton, Wpg, 10:58; Osborne, Wpg, 15:35; Musil, Cgy, 19:47.

Third period-4, Winnipeg, Olczyk 9 (Housley, Olausson), pp, 0:38.

Penalties-Fleury, Cgy, 2:11; Ashton, Wpg, 2:11; Calgary, (bench), 5:15.

Overtime-None.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Calgary 10-12-11-4-36; Winnipeg 9-12-12-0-33.

Power-play conversions-Calgary 0-5, Winnipeg 2-9.

Goaltenders-Vernon, Calgary; Essensa, Winnipeg. A-11,871.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I brings the latest news. ..

The countdown clocks are ticking at Cape Canaveral for Sunday's blastoff of the space shuttle Columbia. The orbiter's seven-man crew is scheduled to fly to Florida from Houston late tonight to prepare for takeoff on a long-delayed astronomy flight. The launch is six months behind schedule because of crippling fuel leaks.

President Bush signed a mammoth housing bill yesterday, a bill which he says will give state and local governments a much larger role in making housing decisions. The 24-point-eight BILLION-dollar measure creates 360-thousand more units of affordable housing. Bush said ''We want public housing to become a springboard for independence, not a bottomless pit for dependency.''

The Senate ethics committee continues its hearings today in Washington in the influence-peddling case against the so-called Keating Five senators. The case suffered a setback yesterday when a key witness in the case against the senators conceded that only one of the lawmakers ''did something wrong'' during a 1987 meeting central to the influence- peddling charges.

Police in Burbank, California, are blaming the suicide death of an 89-year-old man on the failure of the scandal-ridden Lincoln savings and loan. Police say Anthony Elliott killed himself because he lost his life savings in the thrift collapse. Police say Elliott had invested 200- thousand dollars in worthless junk bonds.

A panel of health care experts is warning that the quality of hospital services may suffer by 1994 because of the worsening financial situation in the health industry. The Healthcare Financial Management Association cited falling profitability and a weakened ability to pay for existing debt as signs of trouble ahead for hospitals.

In Riverside, California, prosecutors say they won't file criminal charges in the bizarre case of a woman whose head was severed and frozen in a process called cryonics in hopes she could be brought back to life with a new body. Assistant District Attorney Don Inskeep says there ''simply wasn't enough'' evidence to prosecute.

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#90333u0277 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 29) UPI - The worst blizzard this season slammed Minnesota with howling winds and cold temperatures while warm weather records were set in the East Thursday during the final hours of an extremely late Indian summer.

More wet weather struck soggy Seattle with wind, flood and winter storm advisories posted on rivers, along the coast and in the mountains of the stricken state.

The warnings were prompted by a strong cold front approaching the Washington coast that brought heavy rain and winds reaching 48 mph and was expected to dump as much as 18 inches of snow on the Cascade and Olympic mountains.

The brief heavy rains leading the storm posed a danger to rivers in western Washington that flooded over the weekend causing millions of dollars of damage.

Blinding winds of up to 80 mph rocketed across Montana, knocking five freight cars carrying household appliances off their track Wednesday in the worst blizzard yet of the season, authorities said.

No one was hurt in the mishap, which occurred about 4:30 p.m. (MST) 5 miles west of Browning, a town of about 3,000 people located about 30 miles from the Canadian border.

''It's definitely the worst blizzard we've had this season,'' said Sue Grimm, a dispatcher for the Glacier County Sheriff's Department in Cut Bank.

To the east, records for warm weather were set in several cities in the early morning hours Thursday, sometimes just minutes before a cold front pushed through the region, sending temperatures spiraling toward the freezing mark.

Records were set in Boston, Atlantic City, N.J., New York City, Hartford, Conn., and as far north as Portland, Maine, where the thermometer reached 60 degrees, and there have been 10 days this month with temperatures of at least 60 degrees, breaking a record of eight set in 1975.

The National Weather Service in Atlantic City said the thermometer reached a record 68 degrees just 14 minutes before a cold front hit the area, sending temperatures crashing toward freezing. Lows were expected in the 20s Friday evening.

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#90333u0287 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (NOV. 29) UPI - China bristled Thursday over Western reports that prominent dissidents have been charged with major political crimes, berating the West for ''inappropriate'' concern over China's human rights situation.

''I think it is inappropriate to interfere in developing countries' internal

affairs with the excuse of human rights,'' Foreign Ministry spokesman Li Zhaoxing said at a news briefing.

Li was responding to a question as to whether Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen would discuss human rights issues during his meeting in Washington this weekend with President George Bush.

Qian's U.S. visit, tied to the U.S.-led campaign to oust Iraqi troops from Kuwait, is the most overt breach to date of U.S. sanctions imposed after the June 4, 1989, Beijing massacre that crushed China's democracy movement.

But Li sidestepped the question and launched instead into a diatribe against ''some people in the West and in press circles'' for focusing on what many in the West regard as an abysmal human rights record in China.

''I don't understand why you aren't interested in so many other issues taking place in Chinese society,'' Li told reporters.

Li's remarks appeared to be a calculated response to recent Western press reports that a group of dissidents pegged as core agitators in the 1989 Tiananmen Spring democracy movement have been charged with counterrevolution or sedition.

Two jailed activists, editor Wang Juntao, 32, and economist Chen Ziming, 38, face imminent trial on both offenses, among the most serious under Chinese law.

University lecturers Liu Suli and Liu Xiaobo and veteran dissident Ren Wanding also face trial on the single charge of spreading counterrevolutionary propaganda.

Notice of the charges was transmitted to the dissidents' families, who contacted foreign reporters earlier this week.

Li refused to confirm or deny the reports, claiming he had ''never heard of the matter'' and urging those voicing objections to China's human rights record to ''read the Constitution and the laws of China.''

The vaguely defined crime of counterrevolution in China is punishable by at least five to 10 years in prison, while the more serious charge of intent to overthrow the communist government can carry a lengthy prison term or even death in extreme cases.

China may also have been responding to a lengthy letter from the human rights group Amnesty International to senior Chinese leaders.

The letter, sent to Chinese President Yang Shangkun and Premier Li Peng by telex on Nov. 7, listed several prominent jailed democracy activists and called on the Chinese government to account for their cases.

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#90333u0289 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
PARIS (NOV. 29) UPI - France said Thursday it has decided to reinforce its military contingent in Chad at a time when Libya, Chad's northern neighbor, is reportedly mobilizing its armed forces.

''This reinforcement is designed to improve the security of our troops and to assure, in the worst case, the protection of our citizens, '' the Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

A Libyan-backed rebellion has threatened the government of Chadian President Hissein Habre, who narrowly escaped capture by rebel forces last week after he went to the war zone near the Sudanese border to the east to take personal command of his troops.

The French Defense Ministry said a company of the 2nd Foreign Legion Parachutist Regiment would be sent to Ndjamena to bolster the 1,000 French troops based permanently in the former French colony.

The Washington Times reported Thursday that Libya had begun mobilizing its armed forces and removing large stockpiles of weapons from storage.

The newspaper, citing Bush administration sources, said the mobilization, photographed by U.S. space satellites over the past two weeks, could be related to Libya's 15-year-old conflict with Chad. Libyan leader Col. Moammar Gadhafi has been supporting rebels seeking the overthrow of the Chadian government.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - The U-N Security Council is scheduled to vote today on a resolution that would authorize military force against Iraq. The vote would be the 12th and most serious taken since Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2nd.

Police say a French national was robbed of about 836-thousand dollars worth of jewels today at Hong Kong's Airport. Police said the man apparently set a canvas bag containing the jewels by his seat in the airport lobby and failed to notice when a passerby walked off with the pouch.

Typhoon Page began to pound remote Pacific islands today as it churned over the Pacific toward central Japan. The storm is weakening, but still packs 78 mile an hour winds. Page is affecting remote islands off Okinawa, the site of major U-S military installations.

Police in Burbank, California, say an 89-year-old man who lost his life

savings in the collapse of Lincoln Savings and Loan killed himself. The man left a note saying ''there is nothing left for me.'' He blamed the government for not protecting him.

Argentina and Brazil yesterday signed a bilateral nuclear agreement that set as a ''goal'' eventual adherence to the Western Hemisphere nuclear non-proliferation pact. The United States has long urged Brazil and Argentina to ratify the treaty.

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GENEVA (NOV. 29) UPI - The World Health Organization said Thursday there must be changes in the kind of initimate human behavior usually not discussed to combat the AIDS pandemic which so far has stricken some 1.3 million people.

As many as 8 to 10 million people have the HIV virus which causes AIDS and there could be as many as 30 million by the end of the century, WHO said in marking World AIDS Day.

''Slowing the sexual spread of HIV will mean changing behaviour that is intimate, generally not talked about, and often politically and culturally sensitive,'' said Dr. Michael Merson, director of the WHO AIDS program.

''Both men and women need to know how to avoid becoming infected and they need to have the support of health care and other services in making the necessary changes in their personal behavior,'' Merson said.

Marking World AIDS Day, the U.N. health agency said the reported cumulative number of cases of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome reported since 1980 is around 300,000.

But the true number is about 1.3 million men, women and children because less-developed countries, especially in Africa, lack the necessary infrastructure to trace and diagnose the fatal disease.

''AIDS is also the end-stage of infection with HIV, the human immunodeficiency virus, and there are a far greater and ever-expanding number of adults around the world who have been infected with HIV - a number we estimate at 8 to 10 million,'' Merson said in a WHO information service interview.

''On the basis of current infection trends, by the year 2000 there may be a cumulative total of 25 to 30 million men, women and children infected with HIV '' Merson warned. ''Unless an effective treatment is found, most if not all of these people will ultimately develop AIDS.''

Once linked mainly to homosexuality and drug addiction, AIDS is now increasingly spreading through heterosexual behavior in both advanced and

developing countries, and especially among women, the WHO said.

''All in all, of the persons now infected with HIV, three million are women,'' Merson said.

The agency estimates that one in 40 African women is HIV-infected, one in 500 in South America and one in 700 in North America. In Southeast Asia, around 200,000 women become infected in the past three years alone, the WHO said.

In the case of pregnant women with HIV, Merson said, the infection is passed on to the unborn or newborn baby in 30 percent of all cases.

Merson said that in many countries women generally have low status and ''may have little or no choice in sexual decision-making. Many find it awkward or even dangerous to ask their husband or partner to keep to 'safer sex,' including the use of a condom,'' he said.

It is especially important to educate women in ways to avoid infection, Merson said, because in developing countries it is the women who will be unable to take care of home and children, then die and leave them orphaned.

''We estimate that during the 1990s about 10 million uninfected children, mostly in sub-Saharan Africa, will be orphaned in this manner, '' Merson said.

It is also important that young girls as well as women are ''told the facts,'' he said. ''We must now, however, ignore men as we look for ways to prevent infections in women. Safer sex - sticking to one partner, using a condom - is vital for peventing the sexual transmission of HIV.''

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BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA (NOV. 29) UPI - A police anti-terrorist unit has broken up a cell of extremists who intended to assasinate President Bush on his visit to Argentina next week, a police official said Thursday.

Commissioner Julian Blanco said one person, not an Argentine national, suspected in the plot has been arrested by members of the Special Operations Group, the SWAT team of the the Province of Buenos Aires.

Bush is scheduled to visit Argentina on Dec. 5, the third stop on his five-nation South American tour.

The newspaper Diario Popular said the suspect is a Chilean national, but Blanco would not confirm it. ''The magistrate has not authorized me to give information,'' he said. ''I can say only that one person in transit in Argentina was arrested.''

Asked if it was true that a leftist terrorist group was planning to kill Bush, Blanco replied, ''This information is correct. I can't deny that our organization is working on this case.''

Diario Popular said a contingent of 30 Argentine and Chilean left- wing terrorists planned to ambush Bush as he was visiting the Palermo race track.

It said the terrorists were veterans of the unsuccessful assasination attempt against former Chilean President Augusto Pinochet, now Chile's army commander, in 1986, and of a bloody, temporary takeover of an Argentine army barracks in January 1989.

Commenting on the case, President Carlos Menem said he had asked for a report on the plot.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (NOV. 29) UPI - Brown University President Vartan Gregorian says his school will amend its student code to categorize sexual assault as a ''major offense,'' but will not condone the use of anonymous graffiti to accuse men of rape.

Gregorian issued a two-page statement Wednesday on a controversy that has engulfed the Ivy League school for several weeks now. The stir has focused on a ''rape list'' that has appeared periodically on the walls of campus bathrooms and identified men who have allegedly sexually assaulted women on campus.

At times, the list has reached 30 names. The university has instructed janitors to scrub it off when they find it, but the list keeps resurfacing.

Gregorian declared that ''the route of graffiti and anonymity, whether against men or women, is not an acceptable substitute for either due process or justice.''

''If there are alleged criminals in our midst, it is incumbent upon the victims to come forward promptly before either the university authorities or civil ones to take action,'' he said.

''We must provide them assistance in doing so. If students have been hurt, harmed, or victimized, we owe it to them and to our community to try to bring the assailants to justice,'' Gregorian said.

In response to complaints that the university does not take the issues of sexual assault and harassment seriously enough, Gregorian said he has spoken ''forcefully and without ambiguity against all forms of racism and intolerance and against physical assaults on our students.''

Following a stormy Nov. 15 student forum, Gregorian told two deans to outline ways to strengthen existing university programs dealing with sexual assault and harassment and recommend new programs that could be added.

After hearing back from the deans, Gregorian said he decided to recommend to the university governing body that the Code of Student Conduct be amended to separately classify sexual assault, as well as racial and sexual harassment, as ''major offenses.''

''Even though sexual assault is already mentioned in our rules, nevertheless I have taken this additional action in order to give this offense the prominence it deserves so that there can be no ambiguity whatsoever,'' he said.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	42	22	....
Anchorage sy	03	-12	....
Asheville pc	72	44	.11
Atlanta pc	75	42	.03
Baltimore pc	73	50	.01
Billings w	37	30	....
Birmingham sy	70	35	1.21
Bismarck sy	31	06	....
Boston cy	74	57	.04
Brownsville w	84	59	.18
Buffalo cy	72	36	....
Burlington Vt. w	68	44	....
Charleston S.C. sh	78	70	.09
Charlotte mc	77	57	.35
Chicago sy	50	24	....
Cincinnati sy	69	25	....
Cleveland pc	68	33	.04
Columbus Ohi pc	67	29	.08
Dallas sy	54	35	....
Denver f	36	22	....
Des Moines sy	40	22	....
Detroit sy	68	33	.02
Duluth pc	23	02	....
El Paso sy	56	29	....
Evansville sy	46	27	....
Fargo sy	28	07	....
Hartford cy	71	49	....
Honolulu pc	83	73	.01

Houston pc	71	46	....
Indianapolis sy	67	24	....
Jackson Miss. sy	72	39	....
Jacksonville sh	84	69	.08
Kansas City sy	47	26	....
Las Vegas sy	57	34	....
Little Rock sy	51	36	....
Los Angeles sy	77	51	....
Louisville pc	72	28	....
Memphis sy	47	35	....
Miami Beach pc	79	76	....
Milwaukee w	55	24	....
Minneapolis pc	24	08	....
Nashville sy	73	31	.22
New Orleans sy	75	47	.87
New York cy	69	56	.08
Oklahoma Cty sy	53	mm	....
Omaha sy	39	18	....
Orlando sh	84	68	....
Philadelphia mc	69	54	.03
Phoenix sy	66	45	....
Pittsburgh mc	73	34	.02
Portland Me. mc	64	53	....
Portland Ore. r	51	42	....
Providence cy	72	57	.02
Richmond pc	76	58	.12
St. Louis sy	44	31	....
Salt Lake City pc	39	24	....
San Antonio sy	65	44	....
San Diego sy	69	48	....
San Francisco pc	62	46	....
San Juan pc	85	74	.44
Seattle r	49	46	....
Spokane w	37	34	....
Tampa sh	86	70	.02
Washington pc	71	52	.03
Wichita sy	50	23	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain

sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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(NOV. 29) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed broadly lower in slow trading Thursday, with the blue-chip Nikkei Average sinking below the 23,000 level for the first time in a week.

The index of 225 selected issues, which fell 569.63 points Wednesday, lost another 341.28 points to 22,712.60.

It was the first time the Nikkei Average fell below the 23,000 level since Nov. 22, when the benchmark figure closed at 22,816.99.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major issues, which fell 36.96 points Wednesday, lost another 30.39 points to 1,666.96.

Declines led advances 882 to 83, while only 73 issues remained unchanged.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 300 million shares, compared with 359 million shares Wednesday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices lost ground on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in dull, listless trading.

The bellwether Hang Seng Index slipped 8.04 points to 2,978.35. The drop followed a loss Wednesday of 12.55 points.

In Singapore, stock prices slumped in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in line with the fall in Tokyo and continued worries over a possible shooting war in the Persian Gulf.

The blue-chip Straits Times Industrial Index, which eased 2.47 points Wednesday, slipped another 6.41 points to 1,109.41 while the broader- based All Singapore Index eased 2.60 points to 308.13.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 24.6 million shares, compared with 25.5 million shares Wednesday.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stock prices continued to tumble on the Thailand Stock Exchange due to heightened fears of war in the Gulf.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which lost 5.45 points Wednesday, fell 28.95 points to 558.26.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 47 million Thai shares, compared with 46 million shares Wednesday.

In Australia, stocks closed lower in moderate trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which added 0.8 point Wednesday, fell 12.7 points to 1,338.4.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 53 million shares, compared with 56 million shares Wednesday.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 29) UPI - Former President Jimmy Carter said he would be willing to monitor elections in Lebanon if the war-torn country can resolve its 15-year-old civil war.

Carter convened two days of private meetings on Lebanon and economic development in the Middle East Wednesday at the Carter Presidential Center.

''I don't think anybody anticipates quick elections,'' Carter said at a news conference at the end of the a daylong discussion with Lebanese, Syrian, Jordanian and Israeli leaders on ''ideas on how to bring peace and reconciliation'' to Lebanon.

But Carter said he would be willing to travel to the war-torn country to monitor elections if and when they take place.

The discussions centered on the Taif agreement, an Arab-brokered constitutional revision for Lebanon that puts Christian and Muslim communities on more equal footing in governmental power. The 1989 agreement also calls for the withdrawal of all foreign enemies from Lebanese territory.

Lebanese President Elias Hrawi has been trying to implement the Taif peace plan since Syria, which has 40,000 troops in the country, last month crushed a long-running rebellion by Christian Gen. Michael Aoun. Aoun had barricaded himself with his loyalists at the presidential palace.

Hrawi succeeded with plans to get eight major Christian and Muslim militias to evacuate greater Beirut in an effort to establish an area where the government and the national army have control.

In support of Hrawi's efforts, the United States sent U.S. Ambassador Ryan

Crocker to Beirut Wednesday, a year after withdrawing all embassy officials from the city because of heavy fighting among rival militias.

While acknowledging the Taif agreement is not universally popular among different Lebanese groups, Carter said it is ''the only ballgame in town'' and all sides seem willing to make it work to end the civil war.

Carter also said a restoration of Lebanese government authority would bode well for the release of hostages held in the country.

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#90333u0571 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 29) UPI - Sales at large-scale department stores and supermarkets across Japan in October registered a mild 4.7 percent rise over a year ago to $13.34 billio), the Ministry of International Trade and Industry said Thursday.

The year-on-year growth compared with a nearly 10 percent rise recorded in recent months.

The growth rate was the lowest since February 1990. In that month, sales posted a year-to-year fall because of a high sales level a year ago ahead of the introduction of the 3.0 percent sales tax in April 1989, ministry officials said.

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#90333u0573 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 29) UPI - Oil reserves held by Japanese refiners rose 2.68 million barrels in October to 321.16 million barrels, equivalent to an 88-day supply and unchanged from a year ago, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry said Thursday.

The ministry said oil products in stock rose 4.0 percentage points over a year ago, accounting for 55 percent of the total, because of increased domestic production to make up for import restraints.

Japan's oil imports remained stable because of increased production by Saudi Arabia and other oil-producing nations and Japan will not have to immediately tap its crude reserves, ministry officials said.

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#90333u0583 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 29) UPI - The new director of the city's AIDS Activities Coordinating Office has learned that he suffers from the deadly disease.

Jim Hymes, 40, said Thursday he was diagnosed this week with the virus.

''I've devoted most of my professional life to fighting AIDS,'' Hymes told The Philadelphia Inquirer. ''And now I'm an AIDS patient.''

Hymes is now on medical leave, but city Executive Deputy Health Commissioner Barry Savitz said he expects Hymes to return to work when his doctor says he is ready to do so.

Savitz said it is important for the agency to respond to employees and citizens ''in a humane way. There can't be discrimination against people with AIDS or other people with handicaps or illnesses.''

Some directors of AIDS organizations have expressed concern that Hymes' illness coupled with city budget cuts could spell an end for the office, but Savitz said the city is committed to retaining the office.

Hymes said the news that he has AIDS was painful.

''When they tell you you're going to die, it's a little difficult,'' he said.

Hymes said he has long suspected he was exposed to the disease, but did not have himself tested until he began losing weight quickly.

''I always had in the back of my mind that I'd get the disease,'' he said. ''I had no false hopes of being immune from this.''

Hymes said 62 of his friends, including several of his sexual partners, had died of the disease.

Hymes has worked for the city health department for 11 years, and had been deputy director of the AIDS office until June, when he replaced David Fair, who resigned in February.

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#90333u0591 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 29) UPI - The Finance Ministry has decided on a $17.5 billion supplementary budget, incorporating $1 billion pledged by Japan to support U.S.-led multinational forces deployed in Saudi Arabia, the newspaper Yomiuri Shimbun reported Thursday.

The daily said the expenditure will be approved at a Cabinet meeting Friday and submitted to parliament for approval next month.

Japan has pledged a total of $ billion to support the multinational forces and front-line states, whose economies have been hurt by the Gulf crisis.

Other reports said the ministry also decided to increase Japan's official

development aid outlays in fiscal 1991 by about 7.5 percent to $6.77 billion.

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#90333u0596 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for November 28: Purchases of 344,761 shares and sales of 550,130 shares including 43,120 shares sold short.

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#90333u0609 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

MILWAUKEE (NOV. 29) UPI - An 89-year-old man apparently died of natural causes while visiting his wife's grave on their 64th wedding anniversary.

A report by the medical examiner's office said Joseph Neumaier's body was found Wednesday near his wife's grave at Holy Cross Cemetery.

His wife, Mary, had died about two years ago and he visited her grave every day, according to his son, Fred. Neumaier will be buried beside his wife in the cemetery.

The medical examiner's office said Neumaier apparently died of natural causes.

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#90333u0612 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled a seasonally adjusted 452,000 for the week ending Nov. 17, a decrease of 36,000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberden dr	1pm	46	08
Amstrdm cy	1pm	44	07
Ankara pc	3pm	43	06
Athens cy	2pm	67	19
Aucklnd cy	12m	60	16
Beijing cy	8pm	41	05
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin dr	1pm	38	03
Bonn cy	1pm	39	04

Brussels cy	1pm	35	02
Cairo c	2pm	80	26
Casblnc pc	12n	mm	mm
Copenhgn c	1pm	43	06
Dakar pc	12n	80	26
Dublin cy	1pm	41	05
Geneva pc	1pm	42	06
Helsinki c	2pm	33	00
Hong Kng c	8pm	68	20
Jerusalm c	2pm	69	20
Karachi pc	5pm	86	30
Lisbon pc	1pm	41	05
London pc	1pm	46	08
Madrid pc	1pm	48	09
Malta r	1pm	64	18
Manila cy	8pm	81	27
Moscow cy	3pm	34	01
Nairobi pc	3pm	76	24
Nassau c	7am	76	24
New Delh c	6pm	69	21
Nice cy	1pm	53	12
Oslo c	1pm	42	05
Paris pc	1pm	42	05
Pretoria pc	2pm	86	30
Riyadh m	3pm	74	23
Rome r	1pm	51	11
Seoul c	9pm	51	10
Sofia c	2pm	55	12
Stckhlm pc	1pm	35	01
Sydney cy	10pm	70	21
Taipei cy	8pm	67	19
Tokyo r	9pm	53	11
Tunis pc	1pm	63	17
Vienna dr	1pm	42	05
Warsaw cy	1pm	38	03

Latin America

Buenos Airs c	9am	75	24
Caracas dr	8am	70	21
Havana m	7am	mm	mm
Lima cy	7am	67	19
Mexic Cty dr	6am	53	12
Rio de Jnr pc	9am	79	26
Santiago cy	8am	60	15

Canada

Calgary pc		37	02
Edmonton cy		32	00

Montreal cy	67	19
Ottawa cy	65	18
Regina c	22	-05
Toronto pc	66	18
Vancouver r	47	08
Winnipeg c	12	-11

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90333u0618 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 29) UPI - The eyes of the world will be on the United Nations Security Council today as foreign ministers vote on a resolution that would allow military force to be used against Iraq. The measure is expected to pass.

Representatives of the five U-N Security Council permanent members and most of the 10 NON-permanent members are expected to attend today's U-N Security Council session. Secretary of State Baker arrived in New York yesterday.

Members of the Senate Armed Services Committee yesterday heard testimony from military and foreign policy experts. Committee members are gathering information on what may happen in the Perisan Gulf crisis.

Voters began casting their ballots in parliamentary elections in Egypt today. Thousands of armed police were mobilized to guard the country's 23-thousand polling stations. The interior ministry said it expects the vote to go smoothly.

Polish Solidarity leader Lech Walesa urged a national television audience yesterday to vote for him in the second round of the presidential election. Walesa and Stanislaw Tyminski will compete in a runoff December 9th.

The Soviet capital has only a three-to-five-day stock of meat and is short of milk and other food, but city officials and Western diplomats blame the problems on distribution, rather than overall shortages.

The World Health Organization says to combat the AIDS epidemic, there must be changes in the kind of initimate human behavior usually NOT discussed. The organization said on World AIDS day that there may be 30 Million cases by the year 2000.

The Philippine armed forces chief says that rebel soldiers have shared explosives with communist guerrillas and are co-ordinating moves to overthrow President Corazon Aquino. He said the rebels want to ''project a situation that the government is no longer in control.''

Links between Bangladesh and the rest of the world began returning to normal today after being cut for more than 24 hours during a national state of emergency declared by President Hussein Muhammad Ershad. He said the opposition was trying to remove him from office by illegal means.

The military says the Vietnamese-backed government of Cambodia has moved at least seven-thousand additional troops, including some Vietnamese soldiers, into western Cambodia for a dry season offensive against resistance forces.

A spokeswoman for Washington, D-C, mayor Marion Barry says the mayor's wife and son have moved out of their home. One month ago, Barry was sentenced on a cocaine possession conviction. The Barrys were married in 1978.

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#90333u0624 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (NOV. 29) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze will be in Houston early next month for one of a series of meetings to prepare the agenda for an upcoming superpower summit.

Baker confirmed the Dec. 10-11 session following a meeting with Shevardnadze at the United Nations in New York Wednesday.

''I very much appreciate and accept the invitation,'' said Shevardnadze, who added the two officials work ''more fruitfully'' in meetings outside their capitals.

Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev are expected to meet in Moscow early next year, and indications are that the talks could result in the signing of a strategic arms reduction treaty.

Baker is a Houston native, and President Bush claims Houston as his adoptive home town. The meetings apparently will occur at The Houstonian Hotel and Conference Center, where Bush stays when in Houston.

Shevardnadze's trip to Houston will mark the first time a Soviet government leader has visited the city on official business in at least 30 years.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 29) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev will go to the troubled southwestern republic of Moldavia on Friday in an effort to calm ethnic tensions that have split the republic and led to violent clashes, a spokesman said Thursday.

Gorbachev will go to the Moldavian capital of Kishinev for a 24-hour visit and also is considering a visit to the Russian-speaking city of Tiraspol, Gorbachev spokesman Sergei Grigoriev said. ''He will be meeting with representatives of various parties in the disputes,'' he said.

Russians and Ukrainians in the Dniester region of eastern Moldavia and Turkic-speaking Gagauzis in the south declared separate autonomous regions earlier this year because of fears that minority rights will be trampled under Moldavian nationalism and the majority's desire to unite with Romania.

Both regions have held elections to separate Parliaments, with the Dniester polls going ahead last week, defying efforts by Moscow to prevent them and a declaration by the Moldavian Parliament that the move was illegal.

At least three people were killed in the Dniester region in ethnic clashes earlier this month, and elections last month in the Gagauz region led to ethnic confrontations between Gagauzis and Moldavian vigilantes trying to prevent voting.

The Moldavian Parliament voted Tuesday to annul the results of the Dniester elections, which were dominated by Russian and Ukrainian Communists intent on keeping Moldavia from seceding from the Soviet Union and preventing what they call Moldavian discrimination against ethnic minorities.

Leaders of the Dniester region, who vowed to go ahead with plans to form a separate Parliament, are demanding that the Popular Front- dominated Moldavian government resign and that a law making Moldavian the only official language in the republic be repealed.

The Moldavian Parliament gave preliminary approval Thursday to a citizenship law with strict residence requirements as part of its effort to consolidate an independent Moldavia or prepare to eventually join a ''greater Romania.''

A republic of 4.4 million people, Moldavia was formed by joining a former Moldavian autonomous area of the Ukraine with large parts of Romania that Josef Stalin seized in 1940 as part of a secret pact with Nazi Germany's Adolf Hitler.

Moldavians, whose language is a dialect of Romanian, make up 64 percent of the

republic's population, Ukrainians 14.2 percent, Russians 12.8 percent and Gagauzis 3.5 percent.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Inacomp Computer (1st Q 10-27)	
$122,173,000	$107,049,000
$1,556,000 (.22)	$1,472,000 (.20)
MTS Systems (4th Q 9-30)	
$47,568,300	$53,366,000
$2,057,500 (.45)	$5,983,000 (1.30)
Plexus Corp (4th Q 9-30)	
$21,049,000	$15,704,000
$442,000 (.11)	d-$317,000
d-Deficit	
Science Management (3rd Q 9-30)	
$13,004,000	a-$15,743,000
ad-$2,244,000	d-$711,000
a-Restated	
ad-Deficit, includes a loss of about $750,000 on disposal of discontinued operations.	
d-Deficit	
Toro Co (1st Q 11-2)	
$129,399,000	$137,002,000
d-$5,593,000	$2,571,000 (.24)
d-Deficit	

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $386.80, silver base of $4.16 and platinum price of $430.90:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$402.70	401.20
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	206.60	205.80
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	106.10	105.70

U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.80	43.70
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	402.70	401.20
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	206.60	205.80
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.60	105.70
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.80	43.70
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	409.20	407.60
China Panda .50 troy oz.	210.30	210.00
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.30	108.90
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.20	47.00
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.20	28.10
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	402.80	401.20
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	205.80	210.00
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	104.00	108.90
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.80	44.60
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	400.90	400.20
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	207.50	207.10
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.50	106.30
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.30	45.20
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	400.90	400.00
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	206.10	205.70
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.40	88.20
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.80	45.90
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.30	24.20
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.55	$5.52
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,180	$3,160
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,325
Platinum		
Australian Koala	446.00	446.00
Isle of Man Noble	443.00	443.00
Canada Maple Leaf	455.00	455.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 29) UPI - It doesn't have Kenilworth trucks parked in a row out front, George Jones on the jukebox or chipped beef over toast, but for desert-weary soldiers the truck stop in the middle of nowhere will have to do.

The truck plaza, next to a highway in remote eastern Saudi Arabia near the border with Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, has become a watering hole sorts for U.S. and British troops who, in passing by on missions, drop by for cold sodas, lunch and even an occasional haircut.

Military rules forbid giving the name of the truck plaza, but it has a grocery store, a Pakistani restaurant, a barber shop and gas pumps that fill the tank of an economy vehicle for just $5.

''We came out here expecting to be in the middle of nowhere, and this helps out a lot, it really does,'' said Spec. 5 Bobby Rankin, 22, of Eagle Pass, Texas.

The plaza's grocery store, run by Pakistanis, used to cater to immigrant workers in Saudi Arabia. The store has added U.S. and British junk food, but still doesn't quite match the atmosphere of the U.S. trucks stops made legendary in country music songs.

''At a truck stop back home I'm used to stopping by and getting something to eat and relaxing a little bit,'' Rankin said. ''Here it's a lot different. Some of the items (in the grocery store) - I really don't know what they are.''

Some of the soldiers said even if the truck plaza is less than traditional, it provides a nice way to socialize with other troops and take in another culture.

''You see a lot of the local people as well, so you don't feel like you're in the middle of nowhere - and you're not seeing people for days on end, which is what a lot of us do anyway,'' said a gunner with Britain's famed ''Desert Rats '' the 7th Armored Brigade known for its prowess in desert fighting.

Inside the truck plaza's restaurant, American GIs smoke cigarettes, waiting for an order of hamburgers and fries, new items on a menu that features curried lamb and chicken.

Some soldiers said they call the restaurant ''Chicken Charlie's'' because they love the spicy chicken. Others call it ''Omar's,'' for no particular reason other than the name just seems to have stuck.

The plaza's stores, particularly the Pakistani-run barber shop, appear to be doing booming business with the thousands of soldiers deployed in Operation Desert Shield.

''Seeing that he's the only one around here, he's the best guy to come to,'' said Warrant Officer Ian McCulloch, a senior British Royal Engineer from Edinburgh, Scotland. He said the barber will now be taken to the troops on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

''It will save lots of soldiers coming down here and being high profile,'' McCulloch said. ''He can come to us ..., which will make things a lot easier for soldiers up the road.''

The only drawback is the barber speaks little English.

''He'll just have to hack you and I'll have to tell him when to stop, '' said Royal Engineer Andrew Gregory, 20, a specialist in building roads through the desert.

The truck stop in the middle of nowhere provides a morale boost, a good meal, a cold drink and even a place to take care of some personal grooming. But chief among its benefits, according to Spec. 4 Michael Freeman with the Georgia National Guard's 165th Supply Company, are its personal facilities.

''Well, shoot,'' Freeman said. ''You could walk in and go to the bathroom. You don't have to walk outside about 100 yards to go to the bathroom.''

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#90333u0692 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 29) UPI - Secretary of State Baker arrived in New York yesterday for today's U- N Security Council meeting to vote on a resolution authorizing force against Iraq. The United States and the Soviet Union are among the five Security Council permanent members expected to attend today's meeting. Foreign ministers of most of the 10 NON-permanent members will also attend the meeting.

Egyptians are voting in parliamentary elections today. The majority of opposition parties are boycotting the voting. A new law allows candidates to appear on the ballot by name, rather than simply by party affiliation, presenting voters for the first time with a choice of personalities.

Hundreds of depositors in the failed Rio Grande Savings and Loan Association are hoping a trial of a lawsuit that began yesterday will return at least a part of their lost savings. Lawyers for both sides spent most of yesterday in opening arguments. The state-appointed liquidator of the S-and-L has blamed the collapse on poor lending practices and mismanagement.

Czechoslovakian Prime Minister Marian Calfa arrived in Bonn today, becoming the the second eastern European leader to visit Germany this week. Chancellor Helmut Kohl welcomed the Czechoslovakian official with full military honors before beginning talks. Germany is seeking to strenghten its ties with former East Bloc nations.

The Philippines today completed two weeks of talks with the International Monetary Fund on a program that would pave the way for the release of 700 Million dollars in new loans for the debt-strapped country. The Philippines is saddled with a foreign debt of 28 BILLION dollars and is facing a recession.

The man responsible for the U-S military buildup in Saudi Arabia had been selected in Atlanta to be an honorary grand marshal for the January parade in honor of Martin Luther King Junior. The office of General Colin Powell confirmed that he will lead the parade January 21st, despite criticism of the choice from some civil rights leaders.

The New York Times says experts have made an important discovery that could lead to a drug that would block the AIDS virus from entering the body's blood cells. The report says scientists studying how the AIDS virus gets into the white blood cells hope to design new drugs that can decoy the virus from the gateway and inactivate it.

A Jerusalem court today sentenced an 18-year-old Arab to three life terms for the stabbing deaths of three Israelis in a quiet Jerusalem neighborhood last month. The attack in the residential neighborhood marked the beginning of a number of knife attacks against Jews throughout Israel.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 71.50-72.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 118.63-123.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 37.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $192.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $423.00-$430.00; dealer-approx. , $424.50-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 282.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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DALLAS (NOV. 29) UPI - Former Sen. John Tower says that President Reagan appeared to take part in a deliberate cover-up of White House involvement in the Iran-Contra affair during testimony before his investigative panel.

Tower gives his account of Reagan's testimony before the Tower Commission in upcoming memoirs, excerpts of which appeared Thursday in the Dallas Times Herald.

Reagan named his loyal supporter to the three-man special commission he appointed in 1986 to investigate the Iran-Contra scandal. Reagan appeared personally before the panel on Jan. 26, 1987, and Tower said he was shocked by some of Reagan's testimony.

Tower said Reagan used a script prepared by aides to contradict an earlier statement and deny that the White House gave advance approval for an August 1985 shipment of missiles to Iran.

Tower said Reagan's about-face was part of a ''deliberate effort'' to cover up the involvement of Donald Regan, Reagan's chief of staff. He also wondered if Reagan might have been ''deliberately tipping us off that Donald Regan was up to something fishy.''

Although the Tower Commission's report noted Reagan's changing stories, Tower's book is the first time a principal figure has suggested that the changes were part of a deliberate cover-up. The other members of the Tower Commission were Brent Scowcroft, who had served as President Gerald Ford's national security adviser, and Edmund Muskie, who had been secretary of state under President Jimmy Carter.

In the meeting with the Tower Commission, the president agreed with his former national security adviser Robert McFarlane that Reagan had given advance approval to a proposal that would have Israel ship TOW anti-tank missiles to

Iran, with the United States agreeing to replenish Israeli stocks.

When the board met with Reagan again Feb. 11, 1987, Tower says, the president shifted gears, making a ''rather convoluted statement'' denying he had approved the arms sale.

''I, for one, was shocked at what I was hearing. The president was recanting his previous testimony,'' Tower writes.

When Tower pressed for clarification, he writes, Reagan walked to his desk. ''He picked up a sheet of paper and, as I remember his words, said to the board, 'This is what I am supposed to say,' and proceeded to read us an answer.

''It was obvious that the president had been prepped ... and words were being put into his mouth.''

Tower calls the change of stories ''a major contradiction,'' and says it ''bore all the earmarks of a deliberate effort to conceal'' possible involvement by Regan, the chief of staff. ''By convincing the president that he, the president, had not authorized the arms shipment, Regan was buttressing his own contention that he had been completely unaware of the transaction,'' Tower writes.

Regan resigned as White House chief of staff on Feb. 27, 1987, the day after the Tower Commission report was presented to Reagan.

Tower declined a request for an interview. He does not explicitly say in his memoirs whether he thinks Reagan knowingly went along with a plan to deceive the commission, or whether the former president's notoriously faulty memory allowed him to be duped by aides.

When the Tower Commission's report was released Tower said, ''The president did make mistakes.'' But he added that the commission concluded that Reagan had not been involved in a cover-up. ''We don't use the term cover-up,'' Tower told a news conference at the time. But he added that ''there was a deliberate effort to mislead'' by those who prepared a chronology for Reagan.

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MOSCOW (NOV. 29) UPI - The Soviet capital reportedly has only a three- to five-day stock of meat and is short of milk and other food, but city officials and Western diplomats blamed problems with distribution rather than overall shortages.

International efforts to assist the stumbling Soviet economy gathered steam, meanwhile, with a German telethon raising more than $4 million for food aid that would probably be unnecessary if the Soviet Union could efficiently

process and distribute what it produces.

Yuri Luzhkov, chairman of the Moscow city council's executive committee, said Wednesday that the shortages in the capital were caused by delayed deliveries and ''self-seeking decisions'' by surrounding areas to cut supplies to Moscow.

''There are either long interruptions in deliveries, or supplies were in much smaller amounts,'' the official Soviet news agency Tass said Thursday. ''Store shelves are bare. Panic buying is underway.''

Shortages and lines at shops have been a common part of Soviet life for some time, and consumers often hoard whatever is available, but Soviet officials say the problem has become critical in recent months.

With the liberalization of the Soviet economy, much of the recent problem has been blamed on food producers and others who are not quick to fill state-issued quotas when they can instead sell products for higher prices on the open market or trade them for other needed goods.

Luzhkov said Moscow had only a three- to five-day supply of meat because of delayed deliveries and in the last month has received only 60 percent of the normal milk supply. He said sufficient bread, salt, sugar and grain was available but other products were in short supply.

But the capital was thought unlikely to run out of meat completely, and while shelves at state-run meat markets were mostly bare by midmorning each day, meat was still available in the free markets - for up to 15 times the state-subsidized price.

Western diplomats in Moscow agreed with Luzhkov and other officials that the primary cause of the food shortages sweeping the Soviet Union seemed to be failures in distribution. Some questioned how effective planned foreign aid efforts would be.

''In general terms it seems there is enough food in the country, but it cannot be delivered,'' said one diplomat from a country considering sending aid. ''The problem is the normal channels are not working.

''If we send help we have to consider very carefully how to assure it will get to those who need it,'' said the diplomat, who requested anonymity. ''There will need to be some very concrete measures to ensure distribution.''

Another diplomat said officials in his Western European country were considering bypassing Soviet distribution systems entirely and delivering the food directly with trucks from outside the country.

''It's evident they have a problem with distribution, that is why they lost 25 percent of their harvest,'' said this diplomat, who also requested anonymity.

''If we give aid we have to make sure it gets there.''

Officials from Germany, which is leading the massive effort to help the Soviet Union cope with food shortages during the harsh Russian winter, were in Moscow Tuesday to work out details to ensure proper distribution of the aid.

Delegation leader Horst Teltschik, a personal adviser to German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, said Soviet-German coordination groups will do everything they can to make sure supplies will get to those who need them, but he added it was impossible to guarantee that none of the material would end up on the black market.

The German newspaper Bild said Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev asked Teltschik for 1.9 million tons of emergency food, including 500,000 tons of meat.

Relief officials in Germany said $4.25 million was raised in private donations during a telethon to help the Soviet Union Wednesday night that included taped pleas from Gorbachev and Kohl.

A spokesman for the relief group CARE-Germany said the money will allow the organization to send Soviet families 80,000 food parcels containing canned meat and sausages, margarine, powdered milk, chocolate and flour.

A German government program of direct aid has not been finalized, but officials are reportedly considering using emergency strategic stockpiles that are not needed after the unification of Germany and easing of East-West tensions.

''We are hammering out the details to make sure nothing is to be lost,'' a German Embassy spokesman said in Moscow. ''We expect to go ahead with shipments on a large scale in the next few weeks.''

Other Western countries and the European Community are also considering billions of dollars worth of direct aid and credits to help the Soviet Union get through the winter.

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LONDON (NOV. 29) UPI - The family of Prime Minister John Major will not move into 10 Downing Street, the ''flat above the shop'' much loved by Margaret and Denis Thatcher, but will continue to live in their Cambridgeshire home, a spokeswoman said Thursday.

As when he was chancellor of the exchequer, Britain's treasury, Norma Major, 48, will travel to London to be at her husband's side ''as and when necessary '' the spokeswoman said. Otherwise, she will stay in Great Stuckeley, 60 miles

north of the capital, with their children James, 15, and Elizabeth, 19.

It was 11 years ago that the Majors moved to the area once represented by Oliver Cromwell when John Major became the local member of Parliament. The family now owns a four-bedroom brick house, Finings, set on two acres in the village of 300.

The prime minister's own move was short: He went from 11 Downing Street next door to 10 Downing Street, occupied by the Thatchers for the past 11 1/2 years.

While Margaret Thatcher, a grocer's daughter, liked what she called ''the flat above the shop,'' it is hardly sumptuous.

The glossy black door with the No. 10 has no key - police are posted around the clock to admit the 150 to 200 daily visitors. Behind the door is the main entrance hall, off of which are the press office, prime minister's office and Cabinet Room.

Ramsay MacDonald's youngest daughter practiced her golf shots in the long hall and before her, in the 1960s, Robin and Giles Wilson played soccer up and down it.

On the main floor are elegant staterooms, including the Blue Drawing Room, the Pillared Reception Room and the State Dining Room.

Up 17 steps from the public and official floors are the prime minister's private quarters. There are four bathrooms, two bedrooms, a sitting room, a dining room that seats eight and a narrow kitchen likened a train carriage.

The Thatchers' daughter, Carol, once said, ''If you've got a family of four moving in, it will be very cramped. It is not just a home but an office. But is is very conveniently located. You can go to Victoria and get fast food.''

The crown acquired 10 Downing Street in 1732, and it has been the official residence of the prime minister since George II gave it to Sir Robert Walpole. It was not until this century that prime ministers commonly lived at Downing Street, however, preferring to stay in more elegant country homes.

The brown-brick house has not engendered much affection from its past residents. The countess of Avon, wife of Anthony Eden, said in 1985, ''Women have never been appreciated in Downing Street.'' During a Middle East crisis in 1956, she said, it seemed that the Suez Canal was flowing through her dining room.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 29) UPI - Researchers said Thursday they have developed a new

non-surgical technique that can successfully treat most cases of the most common cause of male infertility - varicose veins.

The new technique involves heating a dye to scald the wall of the vein, shutting it down and forcing the blood to be re-routed, researchers from the University of Minnesota Hospital in Minneapolis said at a meeting of the Radiological Society of North America.

The dye can be heated to a temperature hotter than boiling water, said Dr. David Hunter, who headed the research team that treated 180 patients with the technique.

''Overall more than 85 percent of the treated veins were completely blocked off and that figure rose to 91 percent when we modified the treatment by increasing the amount of contrast used,'' Hunter said.

''We saw an increase in sperm count in up to 75 percent of infertile patients and more than 50 percent of these were subsequently able to impregnate their wives.''

''Our study suggests that hot contrast treatment is as safe and effective as surgery, which is the standard treatment,'' Hunter said.

The technique, which involves injecting the dye through a catheter that is threaded through the jugular vein and down into the scrotum, can cause complications, including scrotal swelling and temporary numbness in the thigh.

But the advantages of the new technique over surgery are the quicker recovery time and the cheaper cost, he said.

Varicose veins are caused by malfunctioning valves which allow blood to be pulled down into a vein and accumulate.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Resumed				
First Fedl Alabama	..	.10	12-21	12-7
Usual				
Angelica Corp	Q	.22	1-2	12-17
Avnet Inc	Q	.15	1-2	12-14
Belding-Heminway	Q	.16	1-3	12-17
Block (HR) Inc	Q	.39	1-2	12-12
Fab Industries	A	.80	12-14	12-7
First Natl Bk Cp	Q	.20	12-31	12-13

FMC Gold Co	A	.05	12-31	12-10
Harleysville Group	Q	.16	12-28	12-10
Harmonia Bancorp	Q	.07 1/2	12-28	12-14
Irwin Finl Corp	Q	.22	12-21	12-7
Kellwood Co	Q	.20	12-21	12-7
Pilgrim's Pride	Q	.01 1/2	12-28	12-7
Santa Monica Bank	Q	.15	1-2	12-12
SPI Pharmaceuticals	Q	.02 1/4	1-2	12-15
United Bankshares	Q	.19	1-2	12-14
Union Bank	Q	.35	1-11	12-14

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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HOUSTON (NOV. 29) UPI - Henry Lee Lucas, a drifter who horrified the nation with claims he killed hundreds of people, now says Texas will execute an innocent man if it puts him to death as scheduled Monday.

Lucas, who later recanted his confessions, told reporters in a death row interview Wednesday that he does not fear execution because he will go to heaven. He says his only crime being embarrassing police who accepted his bogus confessions to more than 250 murders but said he also regrets that the real killers are still loose.

Lucas, 54, is to be put to death by injection early Monday but because the death date is his first, many officials expect he will win a stay of execution.

''I have done nothing to cause the death of my life except those false confessions and I've asked forgiveness for those, which I feel God has forgiven me for,'' Lucas said.

''According to His promise, I'll have heaven waiting for me,'' he said.

Lucas is to be executed for the 1979 rape-murder of an unidentified hitchhiker dubbed ''Orange Socks'' after the only item of clothing on her body.

Lucas said he is not assuming he will be granted a stay. He claims law enforcement officials in Texas want revenge for being duped by the false confessions that brought him international attention.

''If it happens, I think it's the idea that the justice system didn't work, and when I proved it didn't work, it gave the law enforcement a black eye. And I don't think they can take that black eye,'' said Lucas, who was among the first people branded a serial killer.

The prosecutor in the county that secured the only death sentence among Lucas's 10 convictions rejects his claims of innocence.

''I think everybody will feel safer when Lucas is dead,'' said Williamson County District Attorney Ken Anderson.

Texas Rangers escorted Lucas across the state and the nation for interviews with police agencies hoping to clear unsolved murders. He claimed most of the killings were carried out during cross-country travels with Ottis Toole, who is serving life prison terms for two Florida murders.

Lucas claims he confessed to 4,000 crimes after being arrested in Texas in 1982 but Texas Rangers officially attributed more than 250 in 26 states to him.

He later recanted and evidence surfaced that indicated Lucas could not have committed some of the crimes to which he confessed. Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox publicly expressed serious doubts about Lucas's guilt in the ''Orange Socks'' case.

Lucas once claimed he confessed because of the lure of fame and the good treatment he received from the Texas Rangers. He now claims he was drugged, threatened and forced to confess.

''They call me the worst thing that ever walked the face of the earth,'' he said. ''They ... tell 'em how I could join Hitler in hell and all that stuff. I've proven every way I know how to prove I'm not guilty. I don't have no control over what they do.

''I don't want to be remembered for these crimes. I didn't do 'em and the people who did do 'em is on the streets. That hurts worse than anything because who else are they gonna kill out there? That's a hurt I feel responsible for.''

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CHICAGO (NOV. 29) UPI - Soybeans and grains were lower across the board at midmorning Thursday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Traders had been expecting steady to lower prices with a smaller-than-reported loan by Saudia Arabia to the USSR being viewed as adding pressure to prices across the floor.

Ideas abounded that soybeans, which have led this week's tone, were due for a setback and profit taking set in.

Commercial and commission house selling took corn futures lower. December corn was pulled by pressure from liquidation before Friday's first day notice.

Local and scattered commission house selling weighed on wheat prices.

In advance of the open came word that Tunisia would tender for 75,000 tons of U.S. corn. The USDA accepted Morocco's bid for 119,000 tons of U.S. wheat but rejected Jordan's bid for 100,000 tons of wheat.

Country movement of beans and grains continued to be light.

The midmorning prices:

Corn Dec 2.20 off 1/2, Mar 2.31 3/4 off 1 1/4, Ma 2.39 1/2 off 1 3/4, Jly 2.45 1/4 off 2 1/4.

Soybeans Jan 5.83 off 3 1/2, Mar 5.97 off 3 3/4, May 6.10 1/2 off 2 1/2, Jly 6.21 1/2 off 3.

Wheat Dec 2.40 off 2 3/4, Mar 2.57 1/2 off 2 3/4, May 2.66 3/4 off 2 3/4, Jly 2.73 1/4 off 3 1/2.

Oats Dec 1.05 1/2 off 1 1/2, Mar 1.17 1/2 off 1, May 1.24 off 1, Jly 1.30 off 1.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - The United Nations Security Council votes today on the Bush administration's proposed resolution that would authorize force against Iraq if it does NOT leave Kuwait by January 15th. Bush and Secretary of State Baker have been campaigning for the measure for weeks, and it is expected to pass. Yesterday, the Security council condemned atrocities committed by Iraq against Kuwaitis.

A Grayling, Michigan, soldier has been taken into Army custody at Fort Riley in Kansas, based on charges that he disobeyed orders to prepare equipment to be sent to Saudi Arabia. Sergeant George Morse now faces a general court-martial as he seeks to become a conscientious objector. Morse is in his second voluntary stint in the Army, but says he believes war is wrong. He vows not to serve in the Middle East.

U-S ambassador to Lebanon Ryan Crocker today delivered his credentials to Lebanese President Elias Hrawi. Crocker arrived in the mainly-Moslem western sector of Beirut in a heavily-guarded motorcade. The newly confirmed envoy to Lebanon came to the U-S embassy building northeast of Beirut aboard a U-S military helicopter after a U-S absence of more than one year.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak has congratulated John Major on becoming British prime minister and also expressed satisfaction at the restoration of diplomatic ties between Britain and Syria. Mubarak said Major has enormous political and economic capabilities at his disposal. He says he looks forward

to co- operating more closely with the British leader.

Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu today convened a summit of black leaders in Cape Town, South Africa. Delegates from nine black homelands began meeting at Tutu's official residence. But even before the one-day summit began, it appeared doomed to fail to bring all major black political leaders together. The leader of the Zulu movement Inkatha declined to attend.

A Miami company says it has developed a delivery system for a dental anesthetic that eliminates the need for injections. Noven Pharmaceuticals Incorporated says its product resembles a small wafer and can be placed in the mouth. The company said it intends to seek approval shortly for the product from the U-S Food and Drug Administration.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (NOV. 29) UPI - NATO will rely on European ''fire brigades'' rather than U.S. reinforcements to respond to flare-ups in post-Cold War Europe, a senior alliance official said Thursday.

The new plan for ''inter-regional'' troop transfers in Europe, to be discussed next week by NATO defense ministers, is a marked departure from a 40-year strategy tied to trans-Atlantic reinforcements.

''The risks to NATO security are likely to be much more multidirectional than they have been,'' said the senior NATO official, who requested anonymity. ''In the past we were focusing on a single monolithic Warsaw Pact threat,'' he said so NATO strategy was based on ''in-place forces'' in each region, supported by U.S. reinforcements.

''In the future we'll be looking to much more of a fire brigade situation where we might need to send forces to one particular area of the alliance to respond to a more localized crisis,'' the NATO official said. ''That could be done by moving forces within Europe rather than bringing forces from the United States.''

The planned change is part of a sweeping strategy review ordered at NATO's landmark London summit in July.

Highly mobile multinational forces will replace stationary and layered national divisions, which were designed to implement NATO's now- obsolete policy of ''forward defense.''

The ''ability'' to bring forces from the United States must be retained, the senior NATO official said, but he added that if the alliance can respond to crises ''with forces already in place in Europe rather than by a major transfer of forces from the United States, that's the way to do it.''

The defense ministers meet Dec. 6-7 as NATO's Defense Planning Committee, but completion of the alliance's new overall strategy is not expected until late next year.

''We want to get it right,'' the NATO official said. ''We're developing a strategy that we hope will last a long time.''

NATO strategy for decades was based on ''forward defense'' and ''flexible response,'' which called for immediately stopping a Warsaw Pact offensive at NATO's eastern frontier, with the use of nuclear weapons if necessary.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - Personal income inched up only 0.1 percent in October in the worst showing in more than a year while spending was flat, the Commerce Department said Thursday.

The report ''was another signal that a recession has started,'' said Norman Robertson, chief economist at Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh. ''The income figures were very, very weak.''

The $5.7 billion increase in income - to an annual rate of $4.7 trillion - follows gains of 0.5 percent in September and 0.3 percent in August, according to the department's Bureau of Economic Statistics.

Personal spending, which has been fueling the domestic economy, was unchanged in October after advancing 0.9 percent in September and 0.8 percent in August, the department said.

''This does not bode particularly well for a robust Christmas season for some retailers,'' Robertson said, noting most American families cannot afford to take on any more debt.

October's 0.1 percent increase in income was the smallest since no change in August 1989, and the month's flat spending was the worst showing since showing no change in May, a government spokesman said.

The data were adjusted for seasonal factors.

In addition, the Commerce Department said disposable personal income, or income after taxes and other major obligations, edged up 0.1 percent in October after increasing 0.4 percent in September and 0.3 percent in August.

As the economic picture worsened, Americans managed to stash a bit more money into their savings accounts. The government figures show the rate of personal savings edged up to 3.9 percent of income after taxes in October from 3.6

percent in September.

But the savings rate remains far below other nations.

The overall report generally was worse than expected by many economists. The consensus was a 0.2 percent increase in both personal income and personal spending during October.

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DHAKA, BANGLADESH (NOV. 29) UPI - Anti-government protesters defied a curfew and emergency law throughout Bangladesh Thursday, clashing with security forces in continued violence that an opposition leader said has left 50 people dead.

Communications links between Bangladesh and the rest of the world, which had been cut for more than 24 hours, were restored Thursday, although virtually all outside transit services remained suspended.

Opposition leaders said residents defied the curfew and poured out into the streets in Dhaka and other parts of the country, chanting protests against the government of President Hussein Muhammad Ershad and demanding that he withdraw the state of emergency he imposed Tuesday.

State-run television sought to lure people away from the streets by broadcasting a replay of the 1990 World Cup soccer match between Argentina and England, and also showed the English movie ''Come September.'' Soccer is the favorite sport in Bangladesh.

The curfew was lifted briefly from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. Thursday to allow students to leave universities in Dhaka that had been ordered closed, a high-level source in Dhaka said. The source said the curfew could be lifted entirely Saturday if the tension eases after Friday, the Moslem sabbath.

On Tuesday the government arrested several opposition leaders and placed under house arrest Sheikh Hasina, the leader of the left-wing Awami League party, and Begum Khaleda Zia, the chief of the centrist Bangladesh Nationalist Party. Zia escaped Wednesday, and the government began a dragnet for him.

On Thursday authorities allowed journalists to meet with Hasina, who said in a statement that 50 anti-government demonstrators have died in police gunfire during the week's violence.

Police in Dhaka declined comment on this figure, but they said one demonstrator was killed and six others were injured Thursday when anti-government demonstrators tried to break through a police cordon in Dhaka.

Similar anti-government demonstrations were reported in many parts of the country, journalists in Dhaka said.

Ershad, in announcing the emergency rule in Bangladesh, said the step was necessary ''to preserve national security and save the country from rampant violence.'' He accused oppostion parties of endangering internal security and Bangladesh's economic life.

The government also suspended all political activities, imposed press censorship and orderered universities closed for one month.

The government crackdown followed frequent and disruptive anti-government strikes in the past month by opposition parties that often resulted in clashes between rival groups.

An eight-party alliance of the Awami League and a seven-party coalition led by the Bangladesh Nationalist Party organized the anti-government rallies and strikes since October. The strikes were called to demand the resignation of Ershad and to insist on a general election under a neutral interim government.

Ershad seized power from an elected government in a bloodless coup in 1982 and obtained a five-year presidential term in 1986 elections that were boycotted by the major opposition parties. Opposition leaders say there cannot be free and fair elections under an Ershad government.

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TOKYO (NOV. 29) UPI - Japan's industrial output in October posted a hefty 7.6 percent increase over a year ago, spurred by active production of transport vehicles, precision machinery and mainframe computers, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry said Thursday.

The increase followed a 5.3 percent year-on-year rise in September.

The ministry said its preliminary report established the production index for the month at 131.9 against the 1985 base of 100 before seasonal adjustments.

The October output was up 1.9 percent over the previous month.

The shipment index stood at 131.6 in October, up 8.2 percent over a year ago but down 0.8 percent from the preceding month.

The inventory index was up 0.2 percent over a year ago and up 2.3 percent over September, the report said.

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TORONTO (NOV. 29) UPI - Olympia & York Developments Ltd. has raised close to $1 billion from 10 banks to refinance its Canary Wharf project in London, reports indicated Thursday.

The loan was in the form of a floating debenture, financed by six European and four North American banks, the Financial Post said.

The Post said the deal is the first phase of a refinancing package, aimed at reducing Olympia & York's exposure on the 12.5 million square- foot Docklands development.

Olympia & York is attempting to raise about $1 billion more in long- term financing, secured on the 54-storey Canary Wharf Tower, the Post said.

An unnamed source said reports suggesting that Olympia & York's restructuring of its oil and gas interests was part of an effort to raise cash to finance Canary Wharf were speculation.

Olympia & York said Tuesday it would restructure Interhome Energy Ltd. into separate oil and gas and pipeline companies that could lead to the sell off of the pipeline interests.

The source said Canary Wharf was in good shape and is well ahead with leasing efforts.

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OMAHA (NOV. 29) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle none; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 1,700; butchers unevenly 50-2.00 lower, mostly 1.00-1.50 lower, No 1-3 220-260 lb 49.00- 49.50, many 49.00-49.25, No 2-3 250-290 lb 47. 00-49.00; sows 30 percent 1.00 lower, No 1-3 all weights 42.50-43.00, mainly 42.50.

Sheep none.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - The Food and Drug Administration Thursday approved a less toxic drug to cure African sleeping sickness - an often fatal parasitic infection spread by biting flies.

Sleeping sickness strikes about 20,000 people in Africa annually. There are usually fewer than 10 cases per year in the United States, mostly among travelers who have stayed in Africa for a long time.

The new medication, eflornithine hydrochloride or the ''resurrection drug,'' could save about 3,000 patients a year from premature death from sleeping sickness, the World Health Organization said. More than 50 million people in 36 African nations are at risk of contracting sleeping sickness.

''Although the patient population is small here, this is the first approval in any country of this drug for sleeping sickness, and it paves the way for its use in Africa,'' Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sulllivan said in a statement.

Currently, the disease is treated by drugs containing arsenic. Those drugs are associated with a high rate of severe side effects, and up to 10 percent of patients die or suffer serious nervous problems from the therapy.

The new drug, to be marketed under the trade name Ornidyl by Merrell Dow Pharmaceuticals of Cincinnati, does not appear to damage the nervous system, the FDA said.

However, the FDA said Ornidyl can cause anemia and potentially dangerous declines in white blood cells and platelets in the blood. The drug's labeling warns that blood cell count must be checked twice a week.

The parasite that causes sleeping sickness is spread by tsetse flies which bite, much the same way as malaria is spread by mosquitoes.

There are two types of African sleeping sickness: the Gambian strain and the Rhodesian strain. The Gambian type starts with fever, progressing to anemia and painful swelling of the lymph glands. Later, the infection spreads to the central nervous system causing extreme mental and physical lethargy, along with tremors, convulsions and eventually coma and death.

The new drug, which is given intravenously, will be labeled for use to treat the later, most serious stage of the Gambian type. Studies have shown that,

given intravenously, the drug inhibits the growth of the parasite that causes that infection. The drug has not been proven effective against the Rhodesian type.

Ornidyl costs about $140 for a two-week course of treatment, the World Health Organization said. Merrell Dow plans to distribute the drug at cost to hospital and health centers in Africa, WHO added.

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UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 29) UPI - Following is the text of the resolution scheduled to be voted upon by the U.N. Security Council Thursday:

The Security Council,

Recalling and reaffirming its Resolutions 660 (1990), 661 (1990), 662 (1990), 664 (1990), 665 (1990, 666 (1990), 667 (1990), 669 (1990), 670 (1990), 674 (1990) and 677 (1990).

Noting that, despite all efforts by the United Nations, Iraq refuses to comply with its obligations to implement Resolution 660 (1990) and the above subsequent resolutions, in flagrant contempt of the council,

Mindful of its duties and responsibilities under the Charter of the United Nations for the maintenance and preservation of international peace and security,

Determined to secure full compliance with its decisions,

Acting under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations,

1. Demands that Iraq comply fully with Resolution 660 (1990) and all subsequent relevant resolutions and decides, while maintaining all its decisions, to allow Iraq one final opportunity, as a pause of goodwill, to do so;

2. Authorizes member states cooperating with the government of Kuwait, unless Iraq on or before Jan. 15, 1991, fully implements, as set forth in paragraph 1 above, the foregoing Resolutions, to use all necessary means to uphold and implement the Security Council Resolution 660 and all subsequent relevant resolutions and to restore international peace and security in the area;

3. Requests all states to provide appropriate support for the actions undertaken in pursuance of paragraph 2 of this resolution; and

4. Requests the states concerned to keep the council regularly informed on the progress of actions undertaken pursuant to paragraphs 2 and 3 of this

resolution.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Coca-Cola Co. and Nestle S.A. said Thursday they have agreed to form a joint company to manufacture and market coffee and tea products worldwide.

The two companies said they had signed a letter of protocol calling for the negotiation of an agreement to form a joint venture company.

The new company will manufacture and market concentrates and beverage bases for the production of ready-to-drink coffee and tea beverages under the Nescafe and Nestea brand names.

The new company, to be owned and funded equally by The Coca-Cola Company and Nestle, will market its products worldwide, with the exception of Japan. It will supply concentrates and beverage bases primarily to the international network of the Coca-Cola business system for manufacture and distribution as ready-to-drink single-strength products.

It will be operated by a management team appointed by a supervisory board comprised equally of representatives of the two companies. The new company is expected to have an initial capitalization of $100 million, equally contributed by the founding companies.

Roy Burry, an analyst for Kidder Peabody & Co. in New York, said the move represented an effort by Coca-Cola to increase the distribution of its coffee and tea products, and especially to get them on supermarket shelves.

The products represent only about 1 percent of Coca-Cola's business, Burry said, and so the move is not expected to produce any reaction from Coca-Cola's competitors.

''It's a smart move but it's of little importance,'' Burry said.

In a joint statement, Roberto C. Goizueta, chairman and chief executive officer of The Coca-Cola Company, and Helmut Maucher, chairman and chief executive officer of Nestle, said, ''This is intended to be a clearly defined and long standing relationship to successfully develop a new business. The joint-venture company will operate as a separate business unit, drawing on the unique and complementary strengths of our two companies.''

Nestle, one of the world's largest food companies, is based in Switzerland.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - President Bush will consider congressional sentiment for a special session to take up the Persian Gulf crisis but isn't inclined to summon lawmakers back to Washington, his spokesman said Thursday.

''I think reluctant is a pretty good word,'' said White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater.

Calling it premature and unnecessary, the administration so far has resisted the idea of a special session of Congress to discuss or act on U.S. policy in the gulf. ''We still do feel that way,'' Fitzwater said.

But the question gained prominence as the United Nations moved toward backing a U.S. proposal for allowing the use of force in the standoff and more calls surfaced on Capitol Hill for lawmakers to return to town before Jan. 3 and possibly demonstrate a similar show of resolve.

Sen. Robert Dole, R-Kan., a proponent of such a session, predicted Thursday night that odds of it occurring before Christman were now ''better than 50-50.''

Fitzwater also lashed out at testimony on Capitol Hill urging Bush to allow more time for economic sanctions to work against Iraq - a refrain echoed by a growing number of Democrats, including Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman Sam Nunn of Georgia.

''They were putting a timetable on how long we should wait,'' the spokesman said of testimony Thursday by two former chairmen of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. ''We have waited. We are waiting. We believe the sanctions are the primary method, but we're not willing to say how long we're willing to wait.''

Vice President Dan Quayle, speaking at Seton Hall University, also raised the specter that the United States risks a greater loss of life if it waits too long before moving in the dispute.

''The longer we refrain from action against Iraq, the more time Saddam Hussein has to tighten his grip on Kuwait, and the harder it may be to break that grip if and when war comes,'' Quayle said in South Orange, N.J.

''Does patience today risk greater American casualties tomorrow? And if so, is this a moral course of action?''

Fitzwater said Bush would hear out congressmen he will meet with Friday at the White House, but was not likely to change his mind.

''The situation is a little different now in the sense we've moved down the road in terms of the U.N. consideration of the matter,'' he said, ''but essentially our position has not changed.''

As to what such a session might produce, the spokesman added, ''We don't have any speculation on content at all because there's been no discussion. Well there's been discussion, but there's been no decision to go ahead with it.''

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, added his voice Thursday to those seeking a special session. And Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., said such a meeting would help develop a national consensus on actions in the gulf.

The panel's senior Republican, John Warner of Virginia, said, ''It is my hope that the Congress and the president can establish as nearly as possible a consensus and common goals and that process I think should get under way now before the Christmas season.''

The administration also was watching the United Nations, where members of the 15-member Security Council arranged to vote on the new resolution approving the use of force in the standoff if Saddam has not withdrawn his troops from Kuwait by Jan. 15.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - Four years after he was imprisoned by the KGB and threatened with the death penalty for espionage, Nicholas Daniloff said Thursday he will be going back to the Soviet Union, this time as a university lecturer.

After 13 days of imprisonment and interrogation, Daniloff was released by the Soviet authorities in August 1986 and permitted to leave with his family. He had been entrapped by the KGB, apparently to provide trading material to win the release of a Soviet agent, Andrei Zakharov, arrested by the FBI in New York the previous month.

Daniloff, a former United Press International reporter and in 1986 a correspondent for U.S. News and World Report, was preparing to leave Moscow for home after a five-year stint in Moscow.

In the police trap, a former news source known as Misha handed him a package at a subway station. KGB officers instantly arrested him, bundled him into a van and drove him to Lefortovo prison where he was told that he faced the death penalty for espionage.

That began an international tug of war that ended a month later after the U.S. government began ordering the Soviets to drastically cut the size of their mission staff at the United Nations, a notorious cover for KGB agents operating the United States. The White House flatly rejected a straight swap of Daniloff for Zakharov.

After the U.S. government ordered the expulsion of 80 Soviet diplomats, most of them intelligence agents operating under embassy cover, a deal was finally made. Daniloff was released without a trial and Zakharov was permitted to enter a nolo contendere plea in federal court. After a brief non-jury trial, Zakharov was convicted and expelled from the United States.

As Daniloff explained in his book, ''Two Lives, One Russia,'' (Houghton Miflin 1988) the Soviet Union is a kind of addiction for him. His great-great-grandfather, a Russian noble, had also been imprisoned and Daniloff had spent part of his time in Moscow digging up records of his ancestor's political actions against the Tsar.

With perestroika now flowering in the Soviet Union and the KGB giving open news conferences admitting past crimes, Daniloff applied in February for a Soviet visa to go back to Moscow on a visit. The Soviet government said it would grant a visa, but only if the State Department granted a visa for a Soviet ''journalist,'' who was, in fact, a well- known KGB agent. The State Department refused.

Daniloff, now a professor at Northeastern University in the Boston area, applied again when his school set up an exchange program with Moscow State University.

He asked Secretary of State James Baker to raise his request with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze in one of their meetings this year. Shevardnadze agreed to the Baker request and issued orders that Daniloff should be granted a visa, without conditions attached. In 1987, the Supreme Soviet had ordered the charges against Daniloff to be dropped and the case was closed.

Daniloff plans to go to Moscow in May for three or four weeks to deliver a series of lectures to Soviet students on U.S. journalism.

Asked if he has any trepidation about going back to the place where he was told he faced possible execution for spying, Daniloff said, ''My fear is no more than 50 percent of what it was when I left.''

''I always said I'd return.''

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LONDON (NOV. 29) UPI - Stock prices closed slightly lower in cautious trading Thursday on the London International Stock Exchange as the expected passage of a resolution in the United Nations authorizing force in the Persian Gulf revived worries of a shooting war.

Meanwhile, share prices closed little changed in directionless trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 15.2 points Wednesday, slipped 8.7 points to 2,135.6. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 11.4 points to 1,674.8.

Volume amounted to around 415 million shares compared with 381 million shares changing hands on Wednesday.

The prospect of a shooting war kept investors wary throughout the day, with very little activity, analysts said.

Analysts said most professional investors were content to wait as foreign ministers from the world's most powerful nations gathered in New York to vote on a U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq.

The vote in the U.N. Security Council would be the 12th and most serious taken since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, and appeared to have at least tacit support from all five permanent members and a majority of the council's 15 member states.

The resolution would allow the U.S.-led multinational force assembled in the Persian Gulf to attack Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait if Baghdad's forces do not withdraw by Jan. 15.

On the economic front, the Bank of England reported Britain's narrow money supply M-0 rose a seasonally adjusted 4.0 percent in the year to October - within the government's target range of 1 percent to 5 percent for growth in the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

The M-4 index, which includes bank and building society lending to the private sector, rose a seasonally adjusted $8.74 billion in October, unchnaged from its previous estimate.

M-5, the broadest aggregate, was also flat in October. In the latest 12 months M-5 rose 14.1 percent.

On the trading floor, among the most widely traded stocks, debt concerns at Barclay's Bank PLC revived bearishness in leading bank stocks. Barclays fell 20 cents to $7.06.

Rising oil prices pushed oil stocks higher. Shell added 6 cents to $8.77 and British Petroleum gained 2 cents to $6.51.

Bellweather chemicals group Imperial Chemical Industries 36 cents to $16.47 following gloomy remarks by its chairman Wednesday.

British Aerospace shares fell 14 cents to $9.95 after Britain's largest manufacturer announced cutbacks in its military aircraft divisions.

BAA, the airport management company, fell 19 cents to $7.48 on a block trade of 23 million shares sold by ADT, the Bermuda-based holding company.

Information group Reuters shares fell 53 cents to $11.59 after announcing its chairman would retire.

Book retailers W.H. Smith gained 12 cents to $6.23 after announcing expansion in the U.S. market.

Stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed slightly lower in thin trading. The closely watched German Stock Index, which added 5.36 points Wednesday, slipped 1.70 points to 1,418.92.

Analysts said investors took a wait-and-see attitude in advance of the expected United Nations resolution vote on Iraq.

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OSLO, NORWAY (NOV. 29) UPI - Authorities are offering prostitutes a free weekend at a hotel to talk about their trade as part of a public campaign to stem the spread of AIDS.

''Would you like to get together off the street and get to know some more girls?'' asks an Oslo's Environment Agency pamphlet being distributed among prostitutes.

''The Health Directorate is organizing a free weekend at a hotel to talk about AIDS and prostitution and to enjoy each other's company,'' the pamphlet says.''Would you be interested in taking part in something like that?''

Head Physicican Finn Jensen of the environment agency said the organization will await reaction from prostitutes before continuing preparations.

''If we get enough interested responses, we will go ahead,'' he said.

The pamphlet also contains a five-page questionnaire on prostitutes' sex lives their attitudes toward AIDS, confidence in authorities and whether they have been exposed to police violence.

Invitations are being delivered to women in Oslo's red light district by two former prostitutes employed by the agency as social workers.

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 29) UPI - How do you replace 6,442 windows in the Empire State Building? One by one, of course, according to the Pittsburgh company that is doing the job.

Three Rivers Aluminum Co., better known as TRACO, is crafting the windows for the landmark 102-story building, some individually because of sizing differentials. The project is the first wholesale window replacement on the building since it opened in 1931 and is needed because some of the original windows leak air and on become caked with ice on higher floors.

TRACO officials say the new windows - energy conserving double-paned tempered glass models - are being installed at night when offices are empty. And that means the $5 million project could take up to two years to complete.

There are four basic window sizes in the Empire State Building but each opening is being measured individually, TRACO spokesman Phil Abraham said.

''If it's off a fraction of an inch (from the standard), we will custom build that window for that opening,'' he said.

One provison of TRACO's contract called for it to provide an exact match the the rusty shade of red that outlines the original windows in the historic landmark.

''We sent that (shade) to PPG Industries (also of Pittsburgh), they took their computer and matched it exactly and formulated the paint,'' Abraham said. ''This is the exact color from the day the building opened its front door.''

TRACO also hand-made 25 bronze-rimmed windows for the Statue of Liberty's crown during its recent restoration.

''The Statue of Liberty wasn't just a job. The Empire State Building isn't just a job,'' Abraham said. ''It's a prestigious project.''

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JERUSALEM (NOV. 29) UPI - Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said Thursday that Israel has not placed an embargo on new ideas for the peace process but declined to outline fresh proposals in advance of his meeting next month with President Bush.

But concrete efforts to further the Middle East peace process would have to wait until the Persian Gulf crisis is resolved because ''today it is difficult to talk logically with people,'' Army Radio quoted the prime minister as saying.

Shamir also criticized U.N. attempts to send observers and investigating teams to Israel and the occupied territories, saying the efforts fueled friction in the region.

The prime minister met with Bush more than a year ago and before the breakup of the Labor-Likud coalition government. Shamir now presides over a Likud-led coalition with the center-left Labor Party in the opposition.

In May 1989, the Israeli government outlined a peace proposal that included elections in the Israeli-occupied territories, but no new plans have been approved since the right-wing Likud gained control of the government.

Shamir dismissed as ''jokes'' reports in Israeli newspapers that he would not bring new ideas on the peace process to Washington next month. ''Nobody said such a thing and we don't have an embargo on new ideas,'' he said. ''It's just not true. If there is a need, then there will be new ideas. And there are new ideas.''

But Shamir declined to reveal any fresh proposals he might propose to the U.S. administration.

Shamir took a swipe at Washington's role at the United Nations during recent attempts to send U.N. observers to the occupied territories, especially after the Oct. 8 slaying of at least 17 Palestinians by Israeli security forces on the Temple Mount. Shamir hinted that Washington's power was insufficient and the Bush administration could be ''seduced to follow the road of giving in to extremism our enemies propose.''

''That tendency of increasing the involvement of the United Nations in Israel in different and strange ways - by sending different delegations, investigative committees, observers, visitors, ombudsmen - this entire tendency worsens the atmosphere,'' Shamir said.

Earlier Thursday, Justice Minister Dan Meridor dismissed the idea of an ombudsman for the occupied territories.

''Whoever expects that the Security Council, of which countries like Cuba and Yemen are members, will be a court that determines what is justice and what is not concerning Israel, I suggest that he will wake up from those dreams,'' Meridor said.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - Push may yet come to shove today as the 15 member U-N Security Council prepares for a session in New York that could lead to a resolution on using force against Iraq. The resolution before the five permanent and 10 rotating Security Council members reportedly gives Baghdad

until January 15th to decide if it wants to voluntarily get out of occupied Iraq. The United States has pushed hard for use of the so- called ''military option,'' and Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas says he expects that President Bush will call a special session of Congress before Christmas to get additional backing for his stand.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, who has backed the U-N in action against Iraq, says there is still a chance that war can be averted if Saddam Hussein decides to peacefully withdraw from Kuwait. The comments came as Mubarak voted in a Cairo suburb in parliamentary elections. Most opposition parties have boycotted the election that Mubarak's ruling National Democratic Party is expected to win. Thousands of police are guarding the 23-thousand polling stations throughout Egypt, and there are NO reports of any major problems.

A Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman bristled today over Western reports that prominent dissidents have been charged with major political crimes. The spokesman ripped into Western media for what he termed an ''inappropriate'' concern with China's human rights record. The Chinese foreign minister will meet with President Bush this weekend in what is seen as the most serious breach yet in the sanctions imposed on China after it used troops to crush a pro-democracy movement last year.

Former President Jimmy Carter says he would be willing to go to Lebanon to monitor elections if the war-torn country can end its 15- year-old civil war. But Carter said he does NOT think anyone anticipates ''quick'' elections in the nation. Carter is discussing the situation in Lebanon and economic development in the Mideast in a private two-day meeting with Lebanese, Syrian, Jordanian and Israeli leaders at the Carter Presidential Center in Atlanta.

The worst blizzard yet this season slammed into Minnesota with howling winds and cold temperatures, as warm-weather records were being set in the East ahead of a cold front. On the West coast, more bad weather news for Washington state. Rain, winds, floods and winter storm advisories are in the Washington forecast, with as much as 18 inches of snow expected in the mountains. Winds of up to 80 miles an hour blasted Montana as the blizzard marched on to Minnesota.

Air Force meteorologists say there is a 70 percent chance of favorable weather for the night-time launch Sunday of the shuttle Columbia. It comes just 12 days after the shuttle Atlantis returned from its top-secret military mission. Columbia and its seven- member crew are set to carry a 150-Million-dollar battery of high-tech telescopes into space. The instruments are sensitive to the high-energy X-rays and ultra-violet light that canNOT get through Earth's atmosphere.

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PANAMA CITY, PANAMA (NOV. 29) UPI - A public opinion poll published Thursday shows that support for the U.S.-installed Panamanian government is slipping, as the one-year anniversary of the U.S. invasion approaches.

In a poll published by the Panama City newspaper La Prensa, 62 percent of respondents said they would not vote for President Guillermo Endara's coalition government if new elections were held, while 38 percent of those surveyed said they would support the government.

Endara took power during the Dec. 20, 1989, U.S. invasion that ousted military leader Manuel Noriega.

The government received overwhelming support in a Gallup poll conducted in January but Panama has been plagued with economic troubles in the past year, while Endara is viewed by many Panamanians as a weak president.

The economy is expected to grow by about 5 percent this year, according to the Panamanian Chamber of Commerce, but unemployment remains at 25 percent.

Union workers are threatening a national strike on Dec. 5 to protest the government's austere economic plan while less than half of a $461 million U.S. aid package has been dispursed.

''I don't think the poll will embarass anyone,'' said Vice President Guillermo Ford, when asked about the poll. ''We are trying day and night to find all the solutions to the serious problems of this country.

The La Prensa poll was conducted by the Panamanian company Dichter and Neira between Nov. 8-13 and surveyed 902 people.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - Scientists Thursday linked an inherited genetic defect to a rare cancer syndrome, a step that may help detect people at risk for the syndrome and shed light on the genetic basis of more common cancers.

Only about 100 families worldwide are known to suffer from Li- Fraumeni Syndrome, which renders them highly susceptible to breast cancer, various childhood cancers, brain tumors, bone cancer and leukemia.

Each family member has a 50-50 chance of inheriting the defective gene, and those who get it face about a 50 percent chance of developing cancer by age 30 and a 90 percent chance of getting cancer by age 70, researchers said. Only about 1 percent of the general population develops cancer by age 30.

In a study of four families with the syndrome, a team of cancer researchers identified the genetic culprit as a defective gene known as p53, which when

healthy carries instructions for production of a protein known to suppress tumor growth.

The work opens the door to tests to detect which members of Li- Fraumeni families carry the defective gene, but researchers from Massachussetts General Hospital in Boston, the National Cancer Institute and University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston are proceeding cautiously until counseling and health care services can be assured for patients.

''At the moment, we are not testing anybody who is healthy,'' said the NCI's Frederick Li. ''It is devastating to be told you have an 80 or 90 percent chance of getting cancer.''

''The main benefit of this would be that some people could be told that even though they have strong family histories of cancer, they personally do not carry the gene and they can go in peace,'' Li said.

For gene carriers, the test may help detect cancers at early, more easily treatable stages and may also encourage such people to avoid risk factors, like smoking, that may trigger cancer. However, even when such patients are cured of one cancer they stand a substantial risk of getting another cancer, Li said.

Every person has about 100,000 genes - half inherited from their mother and half from their father - that carry the blueprint for everything from eye color to the risk of developing disease.

Previous work has shown about half of all common tumors have defective p53 genes, but researchers think most of those mutations are not inherited and occur during cancer development.

In contrast, Li-Fraumeni Syndrome patients are born with one healthy copy and one defective version of the p53 gene. Cancers appear to develop after some unknown factor - possibly environmental toxins like cigarette smoke - damages the healthy gene, lifting the natural brake on uncontrolled cell growth.

''This is a very exciting observation. It emphasizes the idea that there is a group of genes that are suppressor genes that play a major role in the development of human cancers,'' said Dr. Bert Vogelstein of Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions in Baltimore.

Other cancers that have been tied to inherited defects in tumor suppressor genes are retinoblastoma, a rare eye cancer, Wilm's tumor, which affects the kidneys and neurofibromatosis, which inolves the nervous system.

Besides showing that p53 mutations can be inherited in a rare cancer syndrome, Vogelstein said the findings raise the possiblity that other families more mildly predisposed to cancer may have similar inherited defects.

''Li-Fraumeni syndrome could be the tip of the iceberg,'' Robert Weinberg of Massachusetts Institute of Technology said in an article accompanying the study published in the journal Science.

Researchers are now trying to find out whether families with above average rates of breast or childhood cancer, but not as high as Li- Fraumeni families, may have similar inherited abnormalities.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - Japanese tourists who can't wait to see Walt Disney World will be able to make faster connections in Washington, due to a cooperative agreement announced Thursday by USAir and All Nippon Airways.

A spokesman for USAir said the airline plans to launch daily service Dec. 15 linking Washington Dulles International Airport and Orlando, Fla., to accommodate All Nippon passengers traveling to and from Tokyo.

''We will be a connecting service, to take the folks right on through,'' said USAir spokesman David Shipley.

The airlines said they also plan to seek government approval for ''code sharing'' on the Tokyo-Washington-Orlando route. Approval would allow the carriers to list flights under the same code in computers used by airlines and travel agents, Shipley said.

The cooperation is expected to trim about an hour off the travel time between Tokyo and Orlando, Shipley said.

The two airlines said the Orlando connection represents the first fruit of an agreement signed Thursday in Tokyo by ANA President Akio Kondo and USAir Group Inc. Chairman Edwin I. Colodny. USAir Group is the parent company of USAir.

The airlines said they plan to explore other opportunities for cooperation, including the coordination of scheduled service, joint promotional and advertising campaigns and the development of joint tour packages.

Shipley said the airlines plan to explore opportunities for coordinating scheduling on the West Coast, particularly in Los Angeles, where USAir maintains a strong presence.

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GRAFTON, IL (NOV. 29) UPI - Larry Wright's guests Saturday will be wearing the latest in earthquake protective gear.

''We told people to wear a suit of armor, a hard hat, football helmet, shoulder pads, whatever,'' Wright said Thursday.

Wright and his wife, Marg, have invited 55 friends to shake it up Saturday night at their newly completed Grafton home, perched seemingly pecariously atop a bluff overlooking the confluence of the Illinois and Mississippi rivers.

Wright said the idea for the party came from his healthy disdain for Iben Browning's prediction that an earthquake Dec. 3 will rock the New Madrid Fault.

''I have a weird sense of humor,'' he confessed. ''I like to make fun of things that other people take seriously.

''I don't think we're in any great danger on Dec. 3,'' the 55-year- old retiree of a St. Louis advertising specialty firm said. ''If I thought there was going to be an earthquake I wouldn't be having a party.''

Wright said he'll don a leg brace to get into the partying mood. Wife Marg said she will wear an apron as protective gear.

''It's not a lead apron. That would be too heavy to wear,'' she said. ''It will just be a regular apron. That way I won't get dust on my clothes when the house falls in.''

The play room in the 6,000-plus-square-foot, 12-room house about 250 feet above the rivers will be decorated with black and yellow disaster area streamers, balloons and napkins proclaiming ''It's the Big One.''

Guest will be treated to an earthquake cake and an aftermath jello mold topped off with skewed, catastrophe-struck monopoly houses.

The more adventurous of Wright's guest can weather the rumbling of such rock favorites as ''Shake, Rattle and Roll,'' ''A Whole Lot Of Shakin' Going On,'' and ''I Feel The Earth Move Under My Feet,'' in the second-story wheelhouse.

For the less brave, kiddy-cocktails will be served in the basement of the brick, boomerang-shaped residence, Wright said.

Saturday's festivities are a breaking in - or possibly a breaking down - party for the Wright's Tara Point home where each room has a view of the river. The Wrights bought the property 12 years ago and finished building their house with a view moving in last month.

Of course the evening wouldn't be complete without a guest appearance by the quake predictor himself.

Wright's friend, Butch Schoultz, will be decked out in scholarly cap and gown

and deliver a lecture on what to do when an earthquake strikes.

For instance, bend over and kiss something goodbye?

''It will be something along that line,'' Wright said smiling. ''A little comedy routine.''

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ROME (NOV. 29) UPI - An unofficial delegation of Italian pacifists that returned home from Iraq with 68 Italian hostages said Thursday that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is ''ready to dialogue'' with anybody and urged the Italian government to negotiate the return of other hostages.

The delegation was headed by Archbishop Hilarion Capucci, former Greek Catholic Patriarch of Jerusalem, who said he planned to return to Baghdad Sunday to seek freedom for more hostages, including non- Italians.

Capucci's delegation flew into Rome's Ciampino military airport late Wednesday with 68 Italian hostages from Iraq. Hundreds of relatives, many of them weeping, greeted them in emotional scenes.

He said Saddam told the delegation he is ''ready to dialogue, without any preconditions, even with those who are opposed to my positions.''

''I believe this offers a hope'' of avoiding war, Capucci said.

Capucci said Saddam and his aides listened readily to what the delegation had to say.

''They do not want war, they are looking for a way out,'' he said. ''The real solution is a global one, a solution of all the problems in the region.''

The official position of the Italian government is to discourage unofficial trips to Baghdad to win freedom for hostages on grounds they undermine the solid front against Saddam endorsed by the European Community.

But the 68 hostages were flown to Rome from Amman, Jordan, aboard a plane of the state-run Alitalia airline provided by the office of Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti and they were met at the airport by Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs Ivo Butini.

Andreotti's office also sent an Alitalia Airbus with medical supplies to Baghdad Saturday, the day the pacifist mission had a 55-minute meeting with Saddam Hussein.

At a news conference Thursday, Capucci said he met with Andreotti and the

prime minister asked him to thank the members of his pacifist delegation ''for their work and the results it achieved.''

Capucci has been living in Rome since serving a three-year prison term in Israel for running arms to Palestinians in the occupied territories in the 1970s.

At the news conference members of the pacifist delegation called on the government, Parliament, political forces and labor unions to commit themselves to work for peace and humanitarian action to free the hostages.

So far around 260 Italian hostages have returned home as a result of unofficial missions to Baghdad and a foreign ministry spokesman said 180 Italian hostages remain in Iraq.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 29) UPI - At least 57 people have been poisoned by a drug illicitly used for body-building, weight control and as a sleep aid, federal health officials used Thursday.

The Centers for Disease Control said it received the first reports of poisoning from the drug, gamma hydroxy butrate or GHB, in early August from the San Francisco Bay Area Regional Poison Control Center. Those reports prompted checks of other poison control centers that unearthed similar poisonings in eight other states.

California reported 25 cases including 17 from the San Francisco area; Georgia 15, all from the Atlanta area; Florida 7, 6 from the Tampa area; South Carolina 3; Minnesota 2; Arizona 2; and one each from Ohio, Virginia, and Texas.

''Although no deaths have been reported, most patients have required emergency room care; at least 11 were hospitalized, and nine required ventilator support or other intensive care,'' the CDC said.

''GHB has been marketed illicitly to body builders since May. It also has been promoted illicitly for weight control and as a sleep aid,'' the CDC reported.

In addition, GHB has been illicitly touted as a ''replacement'' for L-tryptophan, a food supplement that the government recalled in November 1988 after an outbreak of illness that killed more than 27 people.

The health agency sais GHB ''allegedly produces a 'high' which has led to its further used as an illicit drug.''

The federal health agency said the poisoning victims reported they had taken

one-half to 3 teaspoons of GHB dissolved in water. Within 15 to 60 minutes one or more of the following symptoms occurred: vomiting, drowsiness, dizziness, loss of consciousness, irregular and depressed breathing and tremors. Also reported were seizure-like activity, respiratory arrest, low blood pressure and abnormally slow beating of the heart.

Some of the victims were found to also have been using other psychoactive drugs, including alcoholic drinks, amphetamines and marijuana, the investigators said.

In the U.S. the only legal use of GHB has been under Food and Drug Administration control for research and treatment of such ailments as narcolepsy. In Europe it has been used as an anesthetic adjunct and to treat alcohol withdrawal.

On Nov. 8, the FDA issued an advisory warning that non-authorized use of GHB was unsafe, illegal and should stop. ''Ill persons, physicians and emergency room staff are encouraged to reported suspected cases of GHB-related illness to their regional poison control centers and state health departments.''

The CDC said the FDA is investigating the source of the illicit distribution of GHB. Sale of the drug has been banned by California and Florida.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - "The economy stinks," said David Hersh, echoing the opinion of pawnbrokers across America. "We're beginning to see a lot of middle-class white people pawning things," said Hersh, manager of Sam's Pawnbrokers. "They're bringing in things like computers and expensive jewelry."

Sam's is in a predominantly black neighborhood only a mile from the White House but heavily infested with drug-related crime. "People are pawning like crazy," said Hersh, who knows a recession when he sees one, "but our sales aren't nearly as good as last year."

Hersh credits the sagging economy with bringing him some customers who in better times don't do their Christmas shopping in pawnshops. "People are coming in here looking for bargains in big-ticket items, " Hersh said. "Antique watches are hot now. People are buying them for Christmas presents."

At The Pawnbroker in Bridgeport, Conn., proprietor Joe Davis said, "Our customers are pawning a lot. This is a down-in-the-dumps town, an old factory town. Bridgeport's going backwards. The economy here stinks.

"By the 15th of the month, my customers are going to be bombing me with everything they own so they can buy their kids something for Christmas," said Davis, who believes pawnshops have an undeserved bad reputation. "We're like a

bank for the little people," he said. "You won't see a big bank lending anybody money on a TV set."

In Dallas, Lou Williams reported his business was brisk at Big State Pawn in an upscale neighborhood on the north side of the city. The pawnbroker said even the Texas economy shows faint signs of improving.

"Some of our customers drive here in Mercedes and Jaguars," Williams said. "Some come to pawn and some come to buy. They can buy a piece of jewelry in here for $600 that would cost them $2,000 in a name-brand store."

At Big Easy Pawn Shop in New Orleans, Perry Peace had no complaints. He acknowledged the continuing recession in the Oil Belt states, but added, "The pawnshop business does well in any economy. When times are bad we lend more, of course, but we also sell more then because people are looking for bargains. "We're the poor man's bank," Peace explained. "Even when times are good, the working poor will still be with us."

Business was "quite slow" at The Pawn Shop in downtown Salt Lake City, according to Rachel Kezerian, who works there. "There's some Christmas shopping but merchandise is moving slowly," she said. As for pawning to get money for Christmas shopping, Kezerian said, "It's still too early. The desperate hours come later."

At Miami's CASH USA, owner B.J. Miner attributed the booming business at her pawnshop to the weak economy. "They're coming in to pawn jewelry, VCRs, TVs, stereo equipment, just about anything," Miner said. "We're getting people who tell us they've never been in a pawn shop in their lives."

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - Another bank regulator singled out Sen. Dennis DeConcini Thursday for "negotiating on behalf" of an alleged savings and loan kingpin during a 1987 meeting crucial to accusations of influence-peddling against the so-called Keating Five senators.

Michael Patriarca, head of the San Francisco regional office of the Office of Thrift Supervision and former S&L investigator for the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, gave his version of an April 9, 1987, meeting between himself and three other bank regulators and Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., DeConcini, D-Ariz., John Glenn, D-Ohio, John McCain, R-Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich.

Earlier, former bank board Chairman Edwin Gray completed his third day as a witness before the Senate ethics committee, which is seeking to determine whether the senators applied improper pressure on regulators to benefit former S&L operator Charles Keating Jr. and his California-based Lincoln Savings and Loan. Keating contributed $1.3 million to the senators' political campaigns

and other pet causes.

On Wednesday, Gray testified that DeConcini was the only senator to do "something wrong" during a private meeting he had with four of the senators on April 2, 1987, by offering a deal on behalf of Keating involving withdrawing a regulation limiting risky S&L investments in exchange for Lincoln making more home loans.

The rough day on the witness stand featured several attacks on his credibility and Thursday Gray complained of "real attempts to defame me, to assassinate my character."

Gray and the other bank regulators are the chief accusing witnesses against the senators. Patriarca said during the April 9 meeting in DeConcini's Capitol Hill office that the regulators "got the full-court press" from the lawmakers.

"Senator DeConcini seemed to be the host or master of ceremonies," Patriarca said. "He talked more frequently than anyone else. If was my impression, quite frankly, that Senator DeConcini was negotiating on behalf of Lincoln."

Patriarca and the other three regulators present at the meeting were deeply involved in an investigation into unsafe lending and financial practices and allegations of falsifying documents by Keating and Lincoln.

Of the alleged negotiating, Patriarca said DeConcini was "attempting to get us the regulators, to change our position on the examination ... to (one) more closely aligned with the position that Lincoln espoused."

In addition, Patriarca testified that Keating had unsuccessfully sought to give a job to his wife in Lincoln's parent company, Arizona-based American Continental Corp. On Monday, Gray testified that Keating unsuccessfully sought to hire him out of his job on the bank board with a lucrative offer to join Keating's businesses.

The eighth day of testimony before the panel featured the conclusion of the stormy appearance of Gray. Lawyers representing the senators continued to seek to establish Gray as waging a vendetta against the lawmakers.

Charles Ruff, Glenn's lawyer, asked Gray if Congress had been "bought and sold by the thrift lobby" during his tenure on the bank board, from 1983-87.

"I think they were greatly influenced," Gray responded. "I think the influence of the thrift lobby killed all of the reforms that we sought - in fact, I know that - from the time I became chairman of the Home Loan Bank Board."

William Taylor, Cranston's lawyer who heatedly attacked Gray's credibility one day earlier, pressed the witness on why he said and did nothing for more than two years before publicly protesting his treatment by the senators.

"I didn't consciously make a decision to remain silent," he said, adding that he was provoked by the senators after at least two called him a liar in press interviews.

"I was defending my honor when I was called a liar," Gray said. "Any man with honor would defend his honor against those kinds of charges if he knew that the charges that he was a liar were false. That's all I did."

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - The Environmental Protection Agency is investigating charges that a chemical company improperly manipulated scientific studies to minimize the possible health threat posed by dioxin, officials confirmed Thursday.

Disclosure of the EPA probe came as Greenpeace, the international environmental group, released a report detailing alleged irregularities in studies sponsored by Monsanto Co., a maker of pesticides and other chemical products.

Greenpeace also filed a petition with the EPA urging the agency to tighten its controls on dioxin. The petition maintained the EPA heavily relied on the Monsanto studies in setting its regulatory policies, but agency officials said that was not the case.

The petition cited "credible concerns that the agency's existing (dioxin) human effects data base is polluted by incorrect information, that the human health effects of (dioxin) may be far worse than originally believed, and that the polluted data has led the agency to 'go soft' on (dioxin)."

In its report, Greenpeace said the EPA's Office of Criminal Enforcement had begun preliminary inquiries into possible manipulation of three key dioxin studies sponsored by Monsanto.

Asked about the Greenpeace report, an EPA official who asked not to be identified said: "There is an investigation underway." The official declined to elaborate on the specifics of the investigation.

Glynn Young, a spokesman for Monsanto, said the company had not been notified of any EPA investigation and that it stood by the studies as sound and unbiased. At the same time, he said Monsanto had asked the EPA to review the studies again in light of the allegations.

Young said the allegations against the studies arose from litigation against Monsanto in which Greenpeace was an active participant. He characterized the Greenpeace report as a "rehash" of issues raised in court.

The Monsanto studies have been cited by some scientists in challenging federal policies that generally categorize dioxin as a highly toxic agent to humans. Those critics say while laboratory animal studies suggest high toxicity, harmful effects have not been verified in exposed humans.

Dioxin is a by-product in the manufacture of certain pesticides and herbicides most notably Agent Orange, the defoliant widely used during the Vietnam War. It also is generated in incineration and the bleaching of wood pulp for white paper products,

The three Monsanto studies at issue examined health effects among workers at the company's herbicide plant in Nitro, W.Va., who were exposed to dioxin during routine operations from 1955 to 1977 as well as in a 1949 industrial accident that released larger amounts of the contaminant.

The studies, published from 1980 to 1983, are important because they represent one of the most comprehensive assessments of dioxin's health impact on humans.

The Monsanto studies found no conclusive evidence of serious health effects - such as cancer or liver damage - due to dioxin exposure. As with other studies the Monsanto reports suggest the only consistent ailment among exposed workers was chloracne, a severe form of skin lesions.

Among other allegations, the Greenpeace report suggested the Monsanto studies were manipulated in that:

- Disease rates among dioxin-exposed workers were compared to illness in a "control" group of workers who supposedly were not exposed, but actually were. As a result, the report said, differences in disease rates between the two groups were muted.

- Dioxin-exposed workers were arbitrarily placed into different groups that were studied separately. The groups were so small in number that it became virtually impossible to detect statistically significant increases in disease among exposed workers compared to the unexposed.

- Some cases of cancer and heart disease among dioxin-exposed workers inexplicably were excluded from some studies.

Greenpeace said its report, entitled "Science for Sale," was based on independent analysis of the Monsanto studies, internal Monsanto memos and the sworn testimony of Monsanto employees and consultants.

EPA officials said that, as with other chemicals, the agency largely developed its dioxin policies on the basis of laboratory animal studies in which relatively low doses of dioxin caused cancer, birth defects and liver, kidney and nerve damage.

Those health effects have not been observed in studies of Vietnam veterans exposed to Agent Orange nor in forestry workers with long-term occupational exposure to dioxin-contaminated herbicides.

The EPA has acknowledged the uncertainty about dioxin's impact on human health but the agency has decided to err on the side of caution and has pushed the paper industry and others to reduce dioxin contamination.

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RALEIGH, N.C. (NOV. 29) UPI - George Shinn, owner of the Charlotte Hornets of the National Basketball Association, has acquired ownership rights for the Raleigh-Durham franchise of the World League of American Football, it was announced Thursday.

In his first decision as franchise owner, Shinn, 49, named Roman Gabriel, former star quarterback at North Carolina State and with the Los Angeles Rams, as the club's general manager. Gabriel has served as President of the Class AA Charlotte Knights and Class A Gastonia, N.C., Rangers minor league baseball teams owned by Shinn.

An agreement is expected to be reached shortly for the Raleigh-Durham franchise to play its five home games at Carter-Finley Stadium, site of Gabriel's collegiate heroics on the campus of North Carolina State University.

''I am elated and excited about getting the World League franchise and particularly about putting it in the Raleigh-Durham market,'' said Shinn. ''I think the Raleigh-Durham area is one of the best untapped sports markets in our part of the country. The area has proved itself as a successful football market by the strong support it has given to the great universities in the area. All of the international business connections of the Research Triangle area are a plus for the franchise.''

Shinn's Hornets set NBA attendance records for an expansion team by averaging 23,178 fans in its first season. Including Wednesday night's game against Milwaukee, the Hornets have sold out 78 consecutive home games in its three-year history. Charlotte holds two of four top attendance totals in NBA history.

The WLAF has now named franchise owners in five cities. The league announced Wednesday that Raj Bhathal, owner of one of the largest swimwear companies in the United States, has been named majority owner for the Orlando, Fla., franchise.

Previous owners include Birmingham's Gavin Maloff, former owner of the NBA's Houston Rockets; San Antonio's Larry J. Benson, attorney, and Tom Landry, Hall

of Fame football coach; and Sacramento's Fred Anderson, founder and owner of one of America's largest privately-owned companies, Pacific Coast Building Products, Inc.

Lynn said owners will be announced in Barcelona, Montreal and New York in the coming weeks. The league will own and operate the London and Frankfurt franchises.

The WLAF will begin play March 23, 1991, with a 10-week regular season climaxing with semifinal playoffs June 1-2 and the World Bowl June 9. Orlando will be the site of the first league meeting, player evaluation combine and player allocation draft during the period of Feb. 8-24.

Games will be televised by ABC Sports each Sunday during the season, with Brent Musberger and Dick Vermeil providing commentary. Also, USA Network will cablecast primetime games every Saturday and Monday night. TV 3 Catalunya of Spain will also carry World League games, while negotiations with other European national networks should be finalized in the next few weeks.

In adding Gabriel as the team's general manager, Shinn has hired a sports administrator with a legendary football resume. A member of the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame and the College Football Hall of Fame, the 50-year-old Gabriel began his athletic career at New Hanover High School in Wilmington, N.C., and later starred at quarterback at North Carolina State in Raleigh. He earned All-Conference, All-America and Scholastic All-America honors with the Wolfpack.

After graduating from North Carolina State in 1962, Gabriel played 11 years with the Rams where he was selected All-Pro four times and named the NFL's Most Valuable Player in 1969. He spent five seasons with the Philadelphia Eagles where he was chosen NFL Comeback Player of the Year in 1973.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 29) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	78.75	79.18	78.55	79.13	78.80
Feb	75.68	76.00	75.25	75.90	75.70
Apr	75.72	76.25	75.47	76.20	75.70
Jun	73.50	74.05	73.32	74.03	73.50
Aug	72.10	72.40	72.05	72.35	72.05
Oct	72.05	72.50	72.05	72.40	72.05
Dec	72.75	73.20	72.70	73.20	72.75

Est. sales 13,791 contracts; Wednesday 13, 192; open interest 74,371 up 867.
Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	87.35	87.80	87.32	87.78	87.35
Mar	85.10	85.47	85.00	85.43	85.18
Apr	84.00	84.20	83.85	84.20	83.95
May	83.10	83.20	82.85	83.20	83.10
Aug	82.25	82.25	82.15	82.25	82.20
Sep	81.90	81.90	81.82	81.90	81.85
Oct	81.65	81.65	81.53	81.65	81.50

Est. sales 1,208 contracts; Wednesday 1,050; open interest 9,247 up 238.
Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	51.10	51.17	50.03	50.53	51.33
Feb	49.30	49.42	47.80	48.10	49.30
Apr	46.40	46.40	45.28	45.55	46.50
Jun	50.60	50.63	49.35	49.65	50.65
Jul	51.10	51.15	49.85	49.97	51.00
Aug	49.90	49.90	48.67	49.05	50.08
Oct	44.20	44.20	44.05	44.05	45.00
Dec	44.80	44.92	44.50	44.67	45.15

Est. sales 14,629 contracts; Wednesday 10, 109; open interest 27,543 off 541.
Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	67.00	67.90	66.15	66.40	68.15
Mar	66.70	67.30	65.68	66.10	67.68
May	66.80	67.50	65.80	66.28	67.80
Jul	66.50	67.20	65.20	65.95	67.20
Aug	64.50	64.50	62.90	63.05	64.90

Est. sales 5,502 contracts; Wednesday 5,832; open interest 12,717 off 160.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lb 128.95 down 28 cents, 700-850 lb 129.22 down 39 cents; select 1-3 550- 700 lb 118.26 down 37 cents, 700-850 lb 117.87 down 29 cents.

Pork carlot trading moderate; demand moderate; fresh pork loins and Boston butts were not established; skinned hams firm to 3.00 higher; seedless bellies weak to 2.00 lower; pork loins 14-18 lb 94.00; Boston butts 4-8 lb 78.00; hams 17-20 lb 102.00-104.00, 20-26 lb 85.00-88.00; bellies 12-14 lb 59.00-59.50, 14-16 lb 59.00-59.50, 16-18 lb 57.00, 18-20 lb 56.00.

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ST. PETERSBURG, FL (NOV. 29) UPI - Two traditional Davis Cup rivals are ready to slug it out for world tennis supremacy this weekend on a controversial surface.

The United States and Australia, who met for the Davis Cup title 31 consecutive times between 1937 and 1973, resume the world-class competition Friday with a pair of singles matches at the new Florida Suncoast Dome. The best-of-five Davis Cup final also features doubles competition Saturday and a concluding round of two singles matches Sunday.

The U.S. contingent picked a slow clay surface in an effort to frustrate the Australians and their traditional attacking game. Michael Chang, who won the 1989 French Open on red clay, takes a 3-1 Davis Cup record into Saturday's second match against Darren Cahill, after American Andre Agassi opens the competition against Richard Fromberg, making his Davis Cup debut.

''I think the Australians anticipated a good shot at winning and now they're feeling like their chances have been cut considerably and maybe that's causing a little spitefulness,'' says Agassi, the No. 4 player in the world. ''When I get on that court, I'm going to put somebody through a nightmare.''

Australian team captain Neale Fraser pulled a surprise in Thursday's draw by relegating 1987 Wimbledon champion Pat Cash to doubles competition, teamed with John Fitzgerald against 1989 Wimbledon doubles champions Jim Pugh and Rick Leach. Cash, who severed an Achilles' tendon in April, 1989, plunged to No. 632 in the world but has moved up to No. 82. His lack of recent playing experience on clay was a decisive factor in keeping Cash out of singles competition.

The U.S. ranks first with 28 Davis Cup championships, while Australia is second with 26, but the U.S. hasn't won the Davis Cup since defeating France in 1982. The Aussies edged Sweden for the championship in 1983 and 1986, with Cash on board each time. Cash calls the slow, red surface, ''an embarrassment to the U.S. Tennis Association,'' and he broke his racket in frustration earlier this week after a practice match.

''It's gotten better - it's gone from being horrendous to pitiful,'' Cash said of the American choice of surface. ''There's some places where the ball just doesn't bounce right. There's no way this should be used for the Davis Cup final.''

After rolling past Mexico and Czechoslovakia to reach the Davis Cup semifinals the U.S. team was nearly derailed by Austria in a grueling match at Vienna. After Thomas Muster beat Agassi to even the match 2-2, Chang trailed Horst Skoff 2-0 before reeling off the final three sets to rally the Americans into the final. Australia advanced to the final with narrow victories over France and New Zealand, followed by a 5-0 rout of Argentina.

The USTA's choice of a red clay court angered the Aussies, who claimed the surface didn't comply with Davis Cup rules that stipualte the surface to be ''in general use'' in the host country. The Australian team has also quarreled about the unusual 5 p.m. EST starting time for Friday's matches, coupled with a 1 p.m. start for Saturday's doubles.

''I'm quite upset with the USTA and the International Tennis Federation,'' said Fraser. ''We don't think what they've done is quite right. To me, the USTA just straight out broke the rules.''

In response, Fraser refused to name his final team until Thursday's deadline.

''I've changed my mind three times trying to figure them out,'' said ''ee times trying to figur

Tensions are high between these traditional adversaries even before the first double-fault or ace is dealt out. The Aussies have taken a calculated gamble that the Cash-Fitzgerald team can win the doubles competition before the switch back to singles Sunday, with Chang facing Fromberg and Agassi meeting Cahill.

''It's an opportunity of a lifetime to play in a Davis Cup final,'' said Cash, ''and I'm lucky to be in my third one. Obviously, it's great to be back in after a terrible run of injuries. The last few months have been pretty good. I'm very, very proud of myself at the moment.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - New York City's pension fund Thursday asked Exxon Corp. and two other companies in which it holds stock to sign an environmental code of conduct called the "Valdez Principles."

In a statement, the $16.4 billion fund said it has filed proxy resolutions with Exxon, Occidental Petroleum Corp., and Champion International Corp. asking them to sign the code, which calls for minimizing waste and the release of pollutants and for safeguarding natural habitats.

The fund owns 3.3 million shares of Exxon valued at $169 million, as well as $16.3 million worth of stock in Occidental, based in Los Angeles, and $5.5 million of stock in Champion, a Stamford, Conn., manufacturer of paper products.

The fund noted that Exxon's earnings had dropped $1.7 billion in 1989 from the previous year as a result of the March 1989 Alaska oil spill by the Exxon Valdez tanker.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - October sales of stock, bond and money market mutual funds totaled $10.6 billion, down from $11.2 billion a year before but ahead from September's $10 billion total, the industry reported Thursday.

Assets of all mutual funds were $1.035 trillion in October, ahead from $1.020 trillion in September, said the Washington-based Investment Company Institute, a mutual fund industry research and reporting organization.

Long-term assets - stocks and bonds - rose to $538.3 billion in October from $535.8 billion in September. Short-term funds for taxable and tax-free money market investments rose to $496.6 billion from $484.3 billion.

Institute vice president and chief economist Jacob Dreyer said total reported assets grew by $14.8 billion in October, with $4.5 billion of the increase due to an increase in the number of funds reporting to the company.

He said the balance was attributable to new sales, ''which remained positive despite the Persian Gulf crisis and related market jitters.''

He said that although stock and bond prices were ''quite volatile'' in October they changed little over the entire month. ''For the first time in a year, the changes in market valuations were a minor determinant of long-term mutual fund asset changes,'' Dreyer said.

Stock mutual fund sales totaled just under $4.4 billion in October, compared with the September total of slightly over $4.4 billion. October sales one year ago were $5.3 billion, the Institute reported.

Bond and income fund sales were $6.2 billion, vs. $5.6 billion in September and $5.9 billion in the year-earlier period.

October redemptions, at some $8.0 billion, rose from September's $7.1 billion but were down from $8.4 billion in the year-ago period.

October stock fund net sales were $1.1 billion, vs. $1.2 billion in September and $1.4 billion one year earlier. October bond and income net sales were $1.4 billion vs. $1.7 billion in September and $1.4 billion in October 1989.

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CAPE TOWN, South Africa (NOV. 29) UPI - Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu hosted a summit of black leaders Thursday that brought together many ideological foes but failed to lure Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezia, a key figure in recent faction violence.

''We were amazed at the spirit that prevailed,'' a clearly pleased Tutu told reporters after six hours of talks. ''They didn't scratch each other's eyes out and they were sitting within striking distance of one another.''

Tuto called the conference to try to unite black political leaders before power-sharing negotiations with the government and to settle an unprecedented wave of black violence.

Although Buthelezi rejected Tutu's invitation, the Nobel Peace Prize laureate brought together delegates from 10 black homelands or political movements, including Nelson Mandela of the African National Congress and the ANC's smaller hard-line ideological rivals.

Both the exlusively black Azanian People's Organization and the radical Pan Africanist Congress attended the summit despite their condemnation of the ANC's decision to begin talks with Pretoria and suspend its limited guerrilla war against white rule.

''Despite the short duration of the meeting, we believe it constituted a breakthrough in bringing together a range of leaders who had not previously met,'' a joint statement said. Tutu later announced further such summits would be held.

President Itumeleng Mosala of Azapo said he believed the meeting had sowed the seeds of unity among the country's 28 million blacks.

''The issue of the unity of organizations ... of black leadership in certain issues that effect the country is one of paramount importance,'' he said.

A jovial Tutu told reporters outside his official residence that church leaders were ''in a way looking for miracles'' to end the bloodletting, mainly between supporters of the ANC and Buthelezi's Zulu movement Inkatha. That conflict, largely confined to the Indian Ocean province of Natal for the past three years, exploded in black townships surrounding Johannesburg in August and left some 800 dead over the next six weeks.

Sporadic fighting linked to the ANC-Inkatha conflict continues and police reported 14 more deaths overnight in the troubled squatter camp of Zonkwezizwe east of Johannesburg and in the township of Thokoza. All 14 had been stabbed, hacked or shot to death, state-run radio reported.

The joint statement rejected as a ''racist ploy'' the characterization of the violence as black-on-black. It said the root cause of the bloodshed was ''the vicious system of apartheid'' and blamed a ''third force, including at least elements of government security forces'' for stoking violence.

Tutu had warned those who did not accept his invitation that they would be regarded as ''enemies of liberation'' but he toned down his fulmination

Thursday, saying any attacks ''exacerbate the tensions that are already present.''

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(NOV. 29) UPI - The foreign ministers of the world's most powerful nations are gathered in New York City for a U-N Security Council vote that is expected to set a deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait or face military action. The Security Council vote today will be the 12th and most serious since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2nd.

Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole of Kansas says he thinks there is a ''better than 50-50'' chance that President Bush will call a special session of Congress to gain congressional backing for the U-S policy in the Persian Gulf. Dole says it is likely that the session would be held before Christmas.

Americans had a little extra to take home in their paychecks last month, and they squirreled most of it away in their bank accounts instead of spending it. The Commerce Department reports that personal income was up one-tenth of one percent last month, the smallest increase since August of last year. But personal spending levels remained steady with September's readings while the rate of savings inched ahead three- tenths of one percent, to three-point-nine percent of income. That means consumers are saving more and spending less as the economy hits a flat spot.

The seven-man crew of the shuttle Columbia are to fly to Cape Canaveral tonight for the final preparations for their early Sunday launch. The mission to carry 150-Million dollars in high-tech telescopes into orbit has been delayed for six months because of fuel leak problems.

Aides report that Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev will make a one-day visit to the southwestern Republic of Moldavia tomorrow. The area has been racked by violent clashes between various minority groups. They fear that rising nationalism by the majority Moldavians may lead to uniting the republic with neighboring Romania.

Tensions are building again in the North Africa nation of Chad. Neighboring Libya is reported mobilizing its armed forces, and France says it will send a company of Foreign Legion paratroopers to Chad, where a Libyan-backed rebellion threatens the government.

A police official in Buenos Aires says an anti-terrorist unit has broken up an extremist cell that intended to assassinate President Bush on his visit to Argentina last week. The spokesman says one person has been arrested in the plot. Bush is scheduled to visit Argentina on December 5th... the third stop on a five-nation tour of South America.

The World Health Organization says changes must come in heterosexual intimacy if the world is to lower fears of AIDS spreading to 30-Million people world-wide by the year 2000. The projection is based on current trends and could be lowered if heterosexual couples practice ''safe'' sex.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 29) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.41	2.43	2.38	2.39	2.42 3/4
Mar	2.60 3/4	2.62	2.56	2.58	2.60 1/4
May	2.70	2.71	2.64 1/2	2.66 1/2	2.69 1/2
Jly	2.76 1/2	2.76 1/2	2.71 3/4	2.74 1/2	2.76 3/4
Sep	2.80	2.82	2.78 1/2	2.79 1/2	2.82 1/4
Dec	2.93	2.94 1/2	2.89	2.93 1/2	2.93 1/4
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.20 1/2	2.27	2.18 1/4	2.25	2.20 1/2
Mar	2.32 3/4	2.38 1/4	2.30 1/4	2.37	2.33
May	2.40 1/2	2.45 1/2	2.38 1/2	2.44 1/2	2.41 1/4
Jly	2.47 1/2	2.51 1/4	2.44	2.50	2.47 1/2
Sep	2.46 1/2	2.51	2.45 1/4	2.49	2.47 1/2
Dec	2.47 3/4	2.51 1/2	2.45 1/4	2.50 3/4	2.48 1/2
Mar	2.54	2.56 1/2	2.52	2.56 1/4	2.55
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.06 1/2	1.08 1/4	1.03 1/2	1.07 1/4	1.07
Mar	1.18	1.20 1/2	1.15 1/2	1.19 3/4	1.18 1/2
May	1.25	1.26 1/4	1.22	1.26 1/4	1.25
Jly	1.30 3/4	1.33	1.27 1/2	1.31 3/4	1.31
Sep	1.35 1/2	1.37 1/2	1.33 1/4	1.37 1/2	1.37
Dec	1.42 1/2	1.46	1.41 1/2	1.46	1.45 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Jan	5.84 1/2	5.96	5.80 3/4	5.94 3/4	5.86 1/2
Mar	5.98	6.10 1/2	5.95	6.08 1/2	6.00 3/4
May	6.10	6.21 1/2	6.08	6.21	6.13
Jly	6.21 1/2	6.34	6.19 1/4	6.32 3/4	6.24 1/2
Aug	6.23	6.34 1/2	6.21	6.34 1/4	6.25 3/4
Sep	6.13 1/2	6.24	6.12 1/4	6.21 1/2	6.16
Nov	6.09	6.21	6.09	6.18 3/4	6.12 1/4
Jan	6.21	6.29	6.21	6.29	6.24
Mar	6.32 1/2	6.40	6.32 1/2	6.40	6.35

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	21.25	21.40	21.02	21.39	21.40
Jan	21.40	21.70	21.26	21.69	21.60
Mar	21.75	22.04	21.61	22.02	21.92
May	22.05	22.35	21.93	22.34	22.30
Jul	22.40	22.59	22.20	22.56	22.60
Aug	22.45	22.60	22.23	22.50	22.60
Sep	22.40	22.50	22.22	22.50	22.50
Oct	22.35	22.50	22.25	22.50	21.55
Dec	22.45	22.45	22.20	22.30	22.10
Jan	22.30	22.35	....	22.32	21.80

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	170.20	173.40	169.20	172.70	170.50
Jan	172.80	176.50	172.10	176.10	173.50
Mar	177.50	181.00	176.80	180.80	177.90
May	180.70	183.80	179.90	183.50	180.80
Jul	183.80	187.00	183.00	186.30	184.30
Aug	184.60	188.00	184.00	187.50	185.00
Sep	184.00	186.00	183.00	186.00	184.70
Oct	182.00	185.00	182.00	185.00	183.00
Dec	183.50	188.00	183.00	188.00	184.50
Jan	186.50	187.50	....	187.00	184.50

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#90333u1154 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (NOV. 29) UPI - Scientists have genetically engineered rats with a disease similar to a form of human arthritis, a step that may help find the cause and improve treatments for the disabling illness, it was reported Thursday.

The research has created a new model for scientists researching a form of arthritis. Previously experiments had to be done in mice with symptoms that were not close to those found in humans.

''For me the ... rats are the result of a 10-year quest,'' said Dr. Joel Taurog of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, where the research was conducted.

An estimated 37 million Americans suffer from arthritis. About 500, 000 of those patients suffer from spondyloarthropathies, which include crippling spinal ailments, disorders striking children and writer's syndrome, which affects the eyes, urinary tract, fingernails, finger joints and skin.

''It is a startling, significant finding,'' said Dr. Lawrence Shulman, director of the National Institute of Arthritis, Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases in Bethesda, Md., at a crowded news conference in Dallas.

In addition to providing an animal model, Shulman said the study ''indicates genes are directly responsible in the pathogenesis (cause) of multi-organ diseases like (arthritis).''

Because the disease spread so rapidly in the genetically engineered rats, scientists said they think arthritis is largely caused by heredity, not environmental factors.

In research published in the journal Cell, Taurog and his colleagues said they inserted two human genes implicated in causing spondyloarthropathies into fertilized rat eggs, causing the eggs to produce a protein, dubbed type HLA-B27.

The team found that the rats produced from the genetically engineered eggs developed ''arthritis symptoms appeared almost instantly.''

''What surprised all of us was the fact the rats developed diseases just as we see in humans, affecting the eyes, heart, genital tract and so forth,'' Shulman said.

Officials said they planned to use the same process to create rat models for other forms of arthritis.

''This model, however, was developed specifically for spondyloarthropathies,'' said Paula Hughes, executive director of the North Texas chapter of the Arthritis Foundation. ''We hope to expand the research to other arthritis fields, but we're going one step at a time.''

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#90333u1155 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Gold futures closed Thursday 310 to 370 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	385.70	390.20	385.10	388.90	385.70
Jan	390.60	....	....	390.60	387.40
Feb	388.60	393.30	388.00	391.70	388.60
Apr	392.00	396.50	391.50	395.20	391.90
Jun	396.00	399.50	395.50	398.80	395.40
Aug	398.80	402.00	398.80	402.00	398.60
Oct	405.40	....	....	405.40	402.00
Dec	405.40	408.90	405.40	408.90	405.40
Feb	412.50	....	....	412.50	408.90
Apr	415.90	....	....	415.90	412.20
Jun	419.60	....	....	419.60	415.90

Aug 423.60 .... 423.60 419.90
Open interest: 106,638 off 3,522.
Estimated sales: 60,000 contracts.

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#90333u1168 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
CAIRO, EGYPT (NOV. 29) UPI - Violent clashes between supporters of the ruling National Democratic Party and backers of independent candidates marred Egypt's parliamentary elections Thursday, which officials said drew a heavy voter turnout.

Results of the vote, boycotted by most major oppostion parties, were not due until late Thursday, but it appeared likely that President Hosni Mubarak's NDP would win by a clear margin.

Security sources said dozens of people were injured in isolated violent clashes and that three NDP candidates in Gharbia, a rural Western area, were held several hours against their will by opposing factions before being released unharmed.

''Unknown elements have stormed polling stations and clashed with voters waiting to vote,'' one source said. ''The elements were apparently involved in a systematic campaign to harm the elections.''

He said a NDP candidate in Ismailia, a city on the Suez Canal, escaped uninjured when an unknown assailant fired at him with a gun and that four police officers were injurd in clashes between rival factions in Beni Suwaif.

Officials said about 70 percent of Egypt's 16 million eligible voters went to the polls to elect 444 members of Parliament. It was one of the highest voter turnouts in years.

Mubarak called the elections last month after the country's highest court ruled that the previous elections, held in 1987, were unfair because they favored NDP candidates.

The government changed the election laws to conform with the court ruling. But opposition parties boycotted Thursday's elections becuase they were not consulted on the changes.

However, hundreds of independent candidates and candidates from smaller parties are vying for seats against members of the NDP.

Mubarak cast his ballot in the plush northern Cairo suburb of Heliopolis and told reporters at the polling station that he was still hoping Iraq would withdraw from Kuwait in the face of a possible U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force in the Persian Gulf crisis.

''We can reach peaceful settlements even one hour, or even one minute, before the eruption of any war,'' Mubarak advised Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

Mubarak will not be directly affected by the poll because his six- year term in office ends in 1993.

Thousands of armed police were mobilized to guard the country's 23, 000 polling stations, which closed at 5 p.m.

Cairo Radio reported one ruling party candidate from the Nile Delta town of El Mahala died of exhaustion.

The ongoing gulf crisis and the country's lackluster economy have overshadowed the elections, but campaign rallies have drawn large and excited crowds. The new election laws allow candidates to appear on the ballot by name, rather than simply by party affiliation, presenting voters for the first time with a choice of personalities.

Interior Minister Maj. Gen. Abdelhalim Mussa admitted that 15 members of the outlawed Moslem brotherhood and 10 members of more radical Islamic groups were standing for election despite a ban against radical fundamentalist candidates.

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#90333u1170 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 1 to 6 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.98	10.03	9.96	9.97	9.98
May	10.01	10.07	9.98	9.98	10.02
Jly	10.02	10.07	9.98	9.98	10.04
Oct	10.03	10.08	10.00	10.00	10.03
Mar	10.05	10.06	10.05	10.06	10.12

Estimated sales: 5,759 contracts

Open interest: 108,707 off 681

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 10.03

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday 3 to 11 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	23.04	23.04	22.95	22.96	23.07
Mar	23.05	23.05	22.97	22.97	23.07
May	23.10	23.10	23.05	23.06	23.13

Jly	23.10	23.10	23.05	23.06	23.12
Sep	23.01	23.01	23.01	23.01	23.10
Nov	22.95	22.95	22.95	22.95	23.00
Jan	....	....	....	23.02	23.05

Estimated sales: 714 contracts
Open interest: 12,304 off 1

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#90333u1183 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	385.00	unchanged
Morning fixing	385.25	up 0.25
Afternoon fixing	386.80	up 1.80
Close	386.50	up 1.50
Paris	386.77	up 1.42
Zurich	386.00	off 0.50
Hong Kong	384.95	off 2.45
New York		
Comex spot close	388.90	up 3.20
Republic cash	388.00	up 3.00
Handy and Harman	386.80	up 1.80

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 388.11 up 1.81 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 407.52 up 1.90 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.085	off 0.04
Republic cash	4.11	off 0.045

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.105 per fine ounce off 0.02

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.12 off 0.015 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.408 off 0. 016

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 432.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 532.00 up 1.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 95.00 unchanged per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 110.00 unchanged.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

#90333u1205 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
SOFIA (NOV. 29) UPI - In a victory for hundreds of thousands of striking workers, Prime Minister Andrei Lukanov resigned Thursday following crisis talks among Bulgaria's leading political forces on forming a new government.

Lukanov, a reformed communist whose supporters overthrew hardliner Todor Zhivkov a year ago and won a narrow parliamentary victory in the June elections, announced his resignation in a short statement on the television evening news.

''I resign from the post because some social forces, including the trade unions, make imposssible the fulfillment of the government '' he said.

''Therefore ... I resign.''

Tens of thousands of protesters who surrounded the Parliament building to await the expected resignation cheered wildly on hearing the news.

There were no details given immediately about the makeup of the new government.

The resignation followed the resumption of talks led by President Zhelyu Zhelev and leaders of all political forces represented in Parliament and came on the fourth day of a general strike by hundreds of thousands of workers nationwide.

The strikers were protesting deteriorating living conditions, including growing shortages of basic foods and energy. There are long lines for meat, milk and cooking oil, some of them extending up to three days for the monthly allotment of 30 liters of gasoline.

Bulgarian radio interrupted its regular programming at midday to broadcast a statement by presidential spokesman Valentin Stoyanov that the political forces had an agreement on resolving the crisis and that details would be issued later in the day.

Thousands blockaded key streets and squares around Sofia, tying up public transportation, despite warnings by Mayor Alexander Karakachanov that he would break the blockades by force if necessary.

The mayor retracted the threat at a rally, saying he would not use police to open the blocked junctions. ''I hope in a few hours after the decision is announced, tension in the streets will ease,'' he said.

Key intersections have been blocked since Wednesday, stalling seven trolley and 10 bus lines. About 150 military buses were used to transport people.

The barricades accompanied the nation's first general strike as the official union' 3.5 million-member federation voted to join a walkout by the independent union Podkrepa, with a half-million members.

Both trade union federations denied any connection with the groups barricading the intersections and Transport Minister Atanas Popov said gypsies were blocking railways and robbing freight cars.

At the airport, two unidentified aircraft from the former communist VIP fleet have tried twice to take off without permission of the control tower, a spokesman for the independent union said.

Striking workers at the airport are allowing foreign aircraft only in and out of the airport. The union spokesman said Podkrepa has received reports that people involved in financial fraud would try to leave the country if Lukanov's government was in danger.

Demokratsia, the newspaper of the independent Union of Democratic Forces, the largest opposition group in Parliament, said civil peace can be maintained only by a caretaker Cabinet with extended powers.

It urged President Zhelev, who is widely respected, to formulate a proposal for naming such a Cabinet.

The number of strikers is variously listed as 40,000 by the government and 870,000 people in 91 cities and towns by Podkrepa.

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#90333u1209 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (NOV. 29) UPI - The number of AIDS cases in Europe jumped 61.9 percent between March 1989 and March 1990, with the largest percentage increases occurring in Eastern Europe, federal health officials said Thursday.

The AIDS surge in Eastern Europe, however, is not being fueled by unsafe sexual practices or the use of drugs as in the West, but by transfusions of contaminated blood and inadequately sterilized needles in hospitals, the Centers for Disease Control said in its Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report.

The CDC, quoting information from the World Health Organization, said also that many of the Eastern European AIDS cases are occurring in children either through injections or transfusions.

''This nosocomial (hospital) transmission seems to be a new phenonemon in Eastern Europe,'' said Dr. Bradley Hersh, an epidemiologist at the CDC.

While the numbers in the European AIDS epidemic is significant, the problem is

still far worse than in the United States where 154,917 AIDS cases had occurred as of Oct. 31 and 95,774 deaths. About 35,376 AIDS cases had been reported in Europe as of March.

Of the AIDS total in the 32 European countries surveyed, nearly 40 percent occurred in homosexual-bisexual men and 30 percent in intravenous drug users. About one-third of the adult cases were in women, a contrast to the U.S. pattern in which only about 10 percent adult AIDS patients are women.

The highest AIDS incidence rates per million population were in Switzerland 190.2, France 173.2, Spain 135.1, Denmark 112.4, and Italy 105.3. In comparison, the cumulative incidence rate in the U.S. is 515.7 per million population.

While the greatest increases in new AIDS cases took place in Eastern European countries, those nations still had few cases and rates were less than six per million population, except in Romania, where the rate was 20 per million.

The largest annual increases were in Romania 4680 percent, Poland 338 percent, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics 271 percent, and Bulgaria 133 percent.

The CDC, quoting WHO, said reasons for the Eastern European AIDS increases may be attributed to the later introduction and recognition of the AIDS virus in those countries and improved AIDS surveilland and reporting.

The epidemic in Romania, the CDC reported, represents the second major outbreak of AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, infection in a hospital setting. Last year, the Soviet Union experienced a surge of AIDS caused by the use of unsterilized needles.

''Most AIDS patients in Romania appear to have acquired HIV infection through transfusions of unscreened blood and through reuse of inadequately sterilized needles and syringes, which resulted from shortages of injection and sterilization equipment.''

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#90333u1215 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - The Daily News, with one eye on the past as it looks to save its future, received permits Thursday for hawkers to sell copies of the strikebound tabloid at close to 120 subway and commuter railroad stations, officials said.

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority granted the permits as pressure mounted on News management to solve lingering circulation problems that have hampered its ability to get copies of the newspaper into the hands of readers during the five-week strike.

Union officials have said mounting revenue losses and circulation problems may force executives of The Chicago Tribune Co., which owns the News, to shut down the newspaper at a Dec. 11 meeting scheduled to discuss the paper's fate.

''Shut down is a likely prospect'' at the meeting, Ted Kheel, a well- known attorney advising the unions, told the city's Civil Service and Labor Committee on Wednesday.

Kheel used the opportunity to ask the City Council to call for the formation of a ''Super Board of Mediation'' to help resolve the bitter labor dispute.

News management, which only has agreed to participate in federally supervised mediations so far, was not available immediately for comment Thursday.

Federal mediator Kenneth Kowalsky, meanwhile, said another meeting had been arranged for Monday, Dec. 3, between management officials and representatives of the drivers' union, perhaps the most powerful of the nine striking unions and the one that initiated the job action Oct. 25.

''Everybody is willing to meet,'' Kowalsky said, declining to discuss the substance or status of negotiations.

MTA spokesman John Cunningham said the News paid $50 each for permits that allow hawkers to peddle the newspaper in 60 subway stations and 58 Long Island Railroad and Metro North stations.

News' hawkers, many recruited from homeless shelters, have said they receive free copies of the paper, which they usually sell for 25 cents, knocking a dime off the usual newsstand price, but News management has denied giving out copies gratis to enhance circulation figures.

In other strike developments Thursday, New York Civil Liberties Union Executive Director Norman Siegel called on Police Commissioner Lee Brown to appoint an independent civilian investigator to look into the arrest of striking news reporter Eddie Borges.

Borges, who was detained for resisting arrest on Nov. 16 at a union rally outside the News's Midtown headquarters, said he only was trying to record the badge numbers of police officers when he was handcuffed and brought to the local stationhouse.

Police also reported four more arrests for strike-related violence early Thursday.

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#90333u1218 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 29) UPI - The nuclear-powered Galileo probe, fresh from an eye-opening

encounter with Venus, is on course for a dramatic flyby of Earth Dec. 8, the second of three such astronomical bank shots required to boost the craft on to mighty Jupiter.

The $1.5 billion probe, launched Oct. 18, 1989, from the space shuttle Atlantis, is scheduled to flash past Earth a week from Saturday, sailing just 592 miles above the Atlantic Ocean east of Florida at 3:35 p.m. EST Dec. 8.

During the encounter, Earth's gravity will bend Galileo's path, putting the probe into a different orbit around the sun and setting up a second, low-altitude Earth flyby in early December 1992 that will finally boost the craft on toward a 1995 encounter with its target, the giant planet Jupiter.

''Galileo continues to perform beautifully,'' project manager William O'Neal said Thursday from the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif.

''The spacecraft health is excellent. At this point, we don't have to do anything on the ground, we don't have to do anything on the spacecraft to have a successful Earth gravity assist.''

Throughout the flybys, Galileo's state-of-the-art instruments will record valuable data about the moon and the Earth, the planet's magnetic field and its interaction with the supersonic solar wind.

Scientists got a glimpse of what they can expect from the showcase probe when Galileo flew past Venus on Feb. 10, recording data about the electrically charged solar wind, its interaction with the cloud-shrouded planet and taking photos that show a swirling atmosphere and what may be giant storm systems.

While the data is not necessarily revolutionary, it nonetheless will help scientists fill in the blanks about a hellish planet choked by carbon dioxide, the victim of a runaway ''greenhouse'' effect. Such information could one day shed insights into processes governing Earth's atmosphere.

''We're living in an atmosphere that we're changing,'' said Michael Belton, team leader of Galileo's imaging science team. ''The ... carbon dioxide content is growing at an enormous rate. The limit to that, i.e., 100 percent carbon dioxide, is Venus.

''If you (don't) want the Earth to change into something like that, then you better learn something about how atmospheres work with carbon dioxide in them, how they respond to that, how they change their dynamics. These are all broad issues that everyone should be interested in. There's much to learn.''

But the primary goal of the Galileo mission is the exploration of Jupiter.

To reach the giant planet, Galileo was launched to Venus for the first of three gravity-assit flybys required to increase the probe's velocity enough to

make it to Jupiter.

The three-bank celestial billiards shot was designed after NASA canceled plans to build a rocket powerful enough to launch Galileo directly to its target. As a result, the science team got a chance to gather bonus data about Venus and Earth.

Six months before reaching Jupiter around Dec. 7, 1995, Galileo will drop an instrument package into the planet's violent atmosphere before beginning an unprecedented 20-month orbital tour expected to revolutionize knowledge of a planet that represents three quarters of the solar system's planetary mass.

Sailing through a ballet of ever-changing orbits, Galileo's electronic ears and eyes will study Jupiter's atmosphere, its whirling moons and its space environment in exquisite detail, beaming back closeup photographs 20 to 1,000 times better than the spectacular pictures taken by the Voyager probes.

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#90333u1238 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic (NOV. 29) UPI - Shortstop Jose Uribe of the San Francisco Giants was released on bail Thursday after being arrested in his native Dominican Republic on charges of beating two women, officials said.

Uribe, who has a three-year $3.85 million contract with the Giants, was arrested Wednesday on charges of punching one Mexican and one American woman. The women also said he abused them morally by saying obscenities.

Domingo Porfirio Rojas Nina, Uribe's lawyer, said the shortstop was released on $27,000 bail Thursday by an appeals court in San Cristobal city, 17 miles southeast of the capital.

''Uribe was released on bail, but cannot leave the country until the case is resolved in the courts,'' said Mario Pina Garcia, a court official.

Doctors attending the women said they should recuperate from the beatings in about 10 days.

Rojas said the two women ''enterred Uribe's house to provoke him.'' He added that the women told Uribe ''they would make his life impossible.''

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#90333u1239 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - The Beach Boys symbolize the carefree life of youth, but now the pop musicians think young people ought to do more with their lives than just have fun, fun, fun.

The Beach Boys, who rocketed to musical fame with such hits as ''Fun, Fun, Fun'' and ''Surfin' USA,'' joined President and Mrs. Bush, singer Tiffany, Baltimore Oriole Cal Ripkin Jr. and other celebrities at the White House Thursday to recognize a group called StarServe, organized to encourage young people to get involved in community service.

StarServe is a partnership between the Kraft-General Foods Foundation, The (Mike) Love Foundation and the United Way of America. StarServe is sending 94,000 elementary schools materials to help teachers of grades 4-12 integrate community service into lesson plans.

''The idea is real simple. People ought to look at what they can do in their school, in their community, to get involved,'' Beach Boy Mike Love said in an interview before the event. ''It could be as simple as calling the elderly, helping shut-ins or serving lunch at the local homeless center or cleaning up a beach.''

Bush challenged every young person in America to serve their community.

''Barbara and I believe that if, at an early age, you learn to serve those in need, it will become the way you live your whole life, bringing a sense of meaning and adventure that simply can't be met,'' Bush said.

Love, who quipped he is ''49 chronologically but because I'm into health and meditation I have the body of a 19-year-old Adonnis,'' said the Beach Boys first met Bush 12 years ago and took an immediate liking to him.

''In fact, he's the only candidate we've ever done a fund-raiser for, '' Love said. ''He's a good guy, down to earth, a straight-shooting guy. ''

And when Love and his fellow musicians first heard Bush discuss his ''Points of Light'' initiative - intended to spur the public into volunteerism, ''We came away very inspired to do something with our never-ending vibrations,'' Love said.

So inspired, in fact, that the group is working on a few songs with a community service theme that may be included on their next album celebrating the Beach Boys' 30th anniversary on Dec. 31, 1991.

One song, Love said, will be titled, ''One to One,'' which he described as a ''rap groove thing.'' Another tune may be called ''Points of Light,'' which he said is a ''beautiful ballad and somewhat of an anthem. You know, each one of us is a point of light and we're trying to ignite those lights that are dimming.''

The Beach Boys treated the invited guests, including many young people, to a rendition of their most recent No. 1 hit, ''Kokomo'' and, in tribute to Mrs. Bush, ''Barbara Ann.''

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#90333u1251 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - President Bush signed a landmark immigration bill into law Thursday, hailing it as the most comprehensive change in 66 years in the way America admits immigrants.

But beyond regulating huddled masses, the Immigration Act of 1990 seeks to increase the influx of doctors, scientists and other skilled workers, unite immigrant families and streamline the process for deporting illegal aliens convicted of crimes in this country.

''This bill is good for families, good for business, good for crime fighting and good for America,'' Bush said at a White House signing ceremony. ''We welcome both it and the generation of future Americans who it will bring in to strengthen our great country.''

The new immigration bill overhauls current law that stresses unification of immigrant families over admitting immigrants with needed skills, which critics say has worked against Europeans. Currently, about 85 percent of all immigration comes from Latin America and Asia.

The new law will increase total immigration from 540,000 per year in 1989 to 700,000 per year in 1992-94. Of that total, 520,000 visas during each of the three years would be reserved for immigrants with family members in the United States.

Beginning in 1995, annual immigration levels will be set at 675,000, with 480,000 visas set aside for family reunification.

The law does not cover immediate relatives of U.S. citizens, like spouses, minor children and parents, who are admitted without regard to visa allocation limits. It is estimated that 220,000 of those immigrants enter the United States each year.

Bush said provisions in the new law covering skilled workers and investment ''will promote a more competitive economy.''

Specifically, immigration based on jobs will increase from the current 54,000 a year to 140,000 per year, with special emphasis on highly skilled workers in demand in the United States. Some of those include doctors, nurses, scientists, veterinarians, electrical engineers, computer experts and therapists.

In addition, there are 10,000 employment visas set aside for those who invest at least $1 million in a new enterprise in the United States and hire at least 10 workers.

The law also eases or eliminates decades-old prohibitions on foreigners because of political beliefs, as well as exclusions for homosexuals, prompting Bush to call it ''the most comprehensive reform of our immigration law in 66 years.''

In the area of law enforcement, the law will aid the Justice Department in deporting illegal aliens convicted of crimes in this country.

''This legislation better equips the Department of Justice to combat the scourge of illegal drugs and their accompanying violence,'' said Attorney General Dick Thornburgh. He said the law ''provides for the swift and effective deportation of aliens who have committed violent or drug-related crimes.''

Justice Department officials said they were still studying the law to determine how to carry out the deportations, which would be done after the alien has completed his prison term.

The new immigration ceilings do not include refugees getting asylum because of political persecution in their homeland. This fiscal year, an estimated 131,000 of those immigrants will get refugee status, mostly from East Asia and the Soviet Union. The law also includes a provision for an 18-month-long stay of deportation for Salvadorans now here illegally.

Opponents of the bill said it will take jobs away from Americans and allow an excessively high amount of immigrants. Nevertheless, the new law is not nearly as controversial as the 1986 immigration bill that permitted 1.7 million foreigners who came to this country illegally before 1982 to apply for amnesty from deportation.

''Immigration reform began in 1986 with an effort to close the back door on illegal immigration,'' Bush noted. ''Now as we open the front door to increased legal immigration, this bill provides long-needed enforcement authority.''

John Curtin, president of the American Bar Association, hailed improvements in the new bill that would ''foster economic growth, promote cultural diversity and generally abolish ideology as a ground for excluding aliens.''

But, Curtin said, ''We are disturbed that the legislation also includes provisions which may impede the ability of persons ... to secure representation and could exclude bona fide applicants for political asylum.''

He said, ''We hope that we can work with the administration and Congress to modify these troublesome provisions early next year.''

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#90333u1258 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

LAS VEGAS (NOV. 29) UPI - Nevada-Las Vegas, seeking to become the first team to win back-to-back NCAA titles since the John Wooden-coached UCLA teams, agreed to stiff sanctions Thursday for the 1991-92 season in return for the opportunity to defend their national basketball crown in this year's tournament.

The Runnin' Rebels, who won the national championship last April with a resounding victory over Duke, had their chance to defend their title denied in July when the NCAA's Committee On Infractions banned them from the 1991 tournament.

But university officials and coach Jerry Tarkanian made an emotional appeal of that suspension last month before an NCAA committee in Chicago and were given the opportunity Thursday to select between two other options.

''We submitted to the NCAA a list of alternative penalties in lieu of the ban on post-season play for this year,'' said UNLV President Robert Maxson. ''We now have received two alternatives back. The first has the coach (Tarkanian) sitting out the 1990-91 tournament and our team sitting out the 1991-92 tournament.

''The second has no live television for the team in 1991-92 and the team also not playing in the post-season that year. The university has decided to accept the second alternative.''

Maxson said the university's greatest concern was not of future penalties but to find a way to give the top-rated Rebels a rare chance to repeat.

''We thought both (options) were fair, but the optimum word - the key thing - is there will be no penalties against the national champions this year,'' the UNLV president said. ''We do regret that next year's team will not be eligible for the post-season. But it was very important to us that the national champions have the right to defend.''

Tarkanian was in Vancouver, British Columbia, promoting an upcoming game in that city Thursday and was not immediately available for comment. However, Maxson said he had talked over the sanctions with the coach.

''He's (Tarkanian) obviously pleased with the decision that was reached,'' Maxson said.

The NCAA's original decision to ban UNLV from the 1990-91 post-season was the culmination of a 13-year legal battle with Tarkanian, which went all the way to the Supreme Court. The penalty was said to be for violations committed 15 years ago, when the NCAA ordered Tarkanian suspended for ''recruiting and organizational violations.''

During the summer, school officials presented a written appeal on the ruling and in early October they appeared before the NCAA Council for an oral presentation. The NCAA decided to rehear the appeal on Oct. 28, and that time Tarkanian and UNLV officials presented four compromises that would allow the Rebels to defend their title.

One option would be to ban the team from playing in the 1992 tournament. The second was to ban just Tarkanian and not the team from the tourney - something that Tarkanian had already volunteered - and the final two options were multi-layered, involving restrictions on recruitment and a monitoring of the school's basketball program.

The Runnin' Rebels won the school's first NCAA championship in dramatic fashion last April, overwhelming Duke 103-73 in the most lopsided championship game in history.

With four starters, Larry Johnson, Stacey Augmon, Anderson Hunt and Greg Anthony returning for the 1990-91 season a repeat title seemed likely until the NCAA's ruling.

UNLV could also face further sanctions as the NCAA is investigating possible violations in the recruiting of Lloyd Daniels, who never played for the school.

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#90333u1259 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 29) UPI - The world's attention is turned toward the United Nations headquarters in New York City. The foreign ministers of the world's most powerful nations are gathered in at the U-N for a Security Council meeting that is expected to approve a resolution that authorizes the use of force to get Iraq out of Kuwait. Approval appears certain, with at least tacit support of the five permanent members of the Security Council and a majority of the 15 member states.

The State Department confirmed today that Secretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze will meet in Houston on December 10th and 11th. The talks are part of on-going meetings to plan for the next super-power summit in January. Both men are in New York for the U-N Security Council session today.

If personal spending is one of the fuels that makes the economy go, then things began to sputter a little last month. The Commerce Department reports that personal income levels were up one-tenth of one percent but personal spending was unchanged from September. All of the extra income, and then some, apparently went into the bank as personal savings grew by three-tenths of one percent, to three-point-nine percent of income.

Indiana Governor Evan Bayh has declarerd a disaster in Lake County, near

Chicago, after heavy rains earlier this week forced more than 300 people from their homes. The Kankakee River is expected to set a record of almost 14 feet today and residents are watching nearby rivers that are expected to hit near or above flood stage in the next several days.

The new director of Philadelphia's AIDS Activities Co-ordinating Office is on medical leave after being diagnosed as having the virus. Jim Hymes says 62 of his friends... including several of his sexual partners... have died of AIDS. He took over the city post in June.

Former Senator John Tower says it appears as if former President Reagan participated in a deliberate cover-up of White House involvement in the Iran-Contra affair. Tower was head of a three-member commission Reagan named to investigate the scandal. Tower says in his memoirs- excerpts of which were published today in Dallas- that Reagan used a script prepared by aides to contradict an earlier statement when he testified before the commission. He says the statement denied earlier remarks about White House approval of a shipment of missiles to Iran.

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#90333u1260 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 29) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $27 to $36 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.50 to 0.85 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.05 to 2.00 cents a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.02 cent higher to 0.73 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $3.10 to $3.70 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $0.40 to $1.50 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.05 cent to 2.25 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 3.2 to 4.0 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.001 to 0.006 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90333u1262 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 29) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in light trading.

Bonds - Mostly lower.

American Stocks - Lower in thin trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in nervous trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Dollar - Higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1 1/4 to 4 1/2, wheat was off 3 3/4 to up 1/4, beans were up 5 to up 8 1/2 and oats were up 1/2 to off 1 1/4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90333u1274 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
MIAMI (NOV. 29) UPI - A federal judge accepted a guilty plea Thursday from embattled General Development Corp., opening the way for home buyers who were defrauded by the company to file claims for up to $160 million in restitution.

A special master appointed by the court to oversee that restitution program said potential victims of the Florida development company will be contacted within the next several months.

"We're setting up shop now. I have my marching orders," special master Thomas D. Wood said following the one-hour court hearing. Wood estimated 10,400 home buyers will be eligible to file claims for restitution.

U.S. District Judge Lenore C. Nesbitt sentenced General Development to five years probation after accepting the revised plea agreement - the third to be submitted by company lawyers and prosecutors. Nesbitt rejected two earlier plea agreements because of concerns over the restitution plan. On Thursday, she said her earlier concerns had been met.

Under the revised plea, General Development agreed to plead guilty to a

conspiracy charge and to pay up to $160 million in restitution. The Florida development company and its two top executives were indicted in March on charges they defrauded thousands of home buyers by inflating the value of properties sold in the company's nine Florida communities.

Nesbitt also rejected previous plea bargains reached with former General Development Chairman David F. Brown and President Robert F. Erhling, saying the maximum sentences allowed under the agreements were unacceptable. Lawyers for those executives are now prepared to go to trial, which is currently scheduled to begin Jan. 7.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Norman Moscowitz told Nesbitt Thursday the government plans to file a superseding indictment Wednesday charging Brown and Erhling with additional crimes, and naming two other defendants in the case. As a result of Nesbitt's ruling Thursday, General Development is expected to contribute $1 million to finance the start-up of the restitution plan.

Wood said claims would be evaluated by a team of appraisers before being submitted to Nesbitt for review. Ultimately, those claims will be submitted to a bankruptcy court judge in Miami. The company has been operating under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection since April.

Home buyers who were defrauded by General Development will be given the same status as the company's unsecured creditors, Wood said. Although officials have estimated that those claims may eventually total $160 million, there may not be enough money to cover all such claims, Wood said.

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#90333u1283 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (NOV. 29) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.29 off 3 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.81 3/4- 5.86 3/4 up 8 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.26 up 4 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.33-2.35 1/2 up 4 1/2 to off 4.

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#90333u1292 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

LIMA, PERU (NOV. 29) UPI - A rescue team found a French photographer alive and well after a grueling week in the mountain jungles of the Amazon, police

said Thursday.

''I thought I was dead,'' Pascal Odile told one of the rescue workers, who described the photo-journalist, found Wednesday afternoon, as exhausted, dehydrated and barely able to stand.

Rescue workers from the Civil Brigade flew Odile in a military helicopter to a hospital in the Andean city of Cusco, 345 miles southeast of Lima.

Odile, a photographer for the French news agency Sipa Press, was one of 10 television journalists thrown into the turbulent waters of the Apurimac River when their two rubber rafts capsized Wednesday, Nov. 21.

Photographer Cyril Contadrioulus was the only member of the party still missing. Members of the group said they felt chances of finding Contadrioulus alive were good, because he is an expert in jungle survival techniques.

Group members told reporters that the rafts overturned in the river near the town of Atalaya, where the river joins the Ucayali River.

The journalists, mostly from French television channel FR3, said they were attempting to film their adventures navigating the entire Amazon River system from the Apurimac and Ucayali rivers in Peru to the Amazon River across Brazil to the Atlantic Ocean - a trip of some 4,200 miles.

One survivor, Claudio Naumuller, filmed the accident and returned to France with another expedition member, Walter Didier, on Wednesday. Other members of the group are still in Peru.

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#90333u1302 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.70

60 to 89 days 8.20

90 to 119 days 8.09

120 to 149 days 7.98

150 to 179 days 7.94

180 to 270 days 7.84

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.80 - 8.00

Issuers 30 days 7.97

Issuers 90 days 7.82

Issuers 270 days 7.40

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 9.00

60 to 89 days 8.60

90 to 119 days 8.40

120 to 149 days 8.33

150 to 179 days 8.28

180 days 8.32

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 7-16 - 7 9-16

1 month 8 15-16 - 9 1-16

3 month 8 5-16 - 8 7-16

6 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

Year 8.00 - 8.125

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.04 - 7.02

6 months 7.03 - 7.01

Year 6.88 - 6.86

Federal Funds: High 7 9-16, Low 7 9-16, Close 7 9-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7. 819 unchanged.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90333u1305 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

GUATEMALA CITY (NOV. 29) UPI - President Vinicio Cerezo walked out of a live television interview part way through the broadcast Thursday, after the show's host refused to soften his line of questioning about the country's economy.

Cerezo, who was a guest on the local television show Tele-Prensa, stood up part way through the broadcast, told the host he was disappointed, removed the microphone from his jacket lapel and left the studios.

The president's surprising exit came after journalist Eduardo Valdizan, the show's host, fired at Cerezo a serious of difficult questions about the state of the Guatemalan economy.

Valdizan argued that the country's galloping inflation in the last year is the result of excessive public spending.

''You want to put me on the accused's bench and you have come prepared with a box of special effects to draw attantion to specific aspects without viewing the whole picture,'' Cerezo said.

''If we continue like this, I regret it, but I will have to leave,'' he said.

Economist Jose Molina said inflation in the last year reached a record 74.42 percent.

The Guatemalan economy grew between 3.5 and 4 percent annually in Cerezo's five-year term, but the whole population has not felt many of the positive effects of growth.

Local and international aid groups say poverty in Guatemala rose from 72 percent of the population in 1986 - Cerezo's first year in power - to 85

percent in 1990.

Cerezo has said the growth has not been evenly distributed because ''a group of bad businessmen have not raised workers' wages to the same degree that prices have increased.''

Cerezo is scheduled to hand over power Jan. 14 to the winner of a run-off ballot between the top two candidates in last Nov. 11 election.

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#90333u1310 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday two points higher to 73 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	75.60	75.60	75.05	75.20	75.50
Mar	73.83	73.90	73.06	73.18	73.91
May	73.65	73.70	73.10	73.19	73.67
Jly	73.75	73.75	73.22	73.22	73.67
Oct	67.90	67.90	67.80	67.75	67.73
Dec	65.40	65.40	65.25	65.25	65.30
Mar	66.00	....	....	66.01	66.05
May	66.00	....	....	66.37	66.50

Estimated sales: 5,500 contracts
Open interest: 40,071 up 166
The World spot average: 68.56

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#90333u1311 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (NOV. 29) UPI - A medieval encyclopedia on animals fetched $5.813 million Thursday, the second highest price paid for a manuscript, Sotheby's auction house said.

''Bestiary,'' written in England between 1250 and 1260, is illustrated with animals real and imaginary from hedgehogs to unicorns. It was auctioned at Sotheby's to London antiquarian bookseller Quaritch for 2.97 million pounds.

''With its 112 illustrations on vellum pages, the 'Bestiary' is one of the most richly illustrated of all bestiaries, which are very rare and a particularly English phenomenon, indicating perhaps that the English love of animals goes back a long way,'' said Sotheby's spokeswoman D'Este Bond.

Bond said the only manuscript that has sold for more was the 12th century ''Gospels of Henry the Lion,'' which went for $14.5 million in 1983.

The sale of ''Bestiary'' replaced a record held by the English manuscript ''Hours and Psalter of Elizabeth de Bohun,'' which sold for $2.74 million in 1988.

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#90333u1322 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	66 3-8	off 1-2
AT&T Company	31 5-8	off 1-4
BCE Inc	33 1-2	unch
Bell Atlantic	53	off 1-4
BellSouth Corp	52 1-2	off 3-8
Exxon Corp	50 1-4	off 1-8
Ford Motor Co	27 1-4	up 1-4
Genl Electric	53 1-8	up 1-2
General Motors	37 5-8	off 1-8
GTE Corp	28 1-4	off 1-4
IBM Corp	112	off 3-8
Mobil Oil Corp	58 1-8	off 7-8
Nynex Corp	69 1-4	off 3-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24 1-8	off 1-4
Pacific Telesis	44 3-8	off 1-8
Phila Electric	16 3-8	off 1-8
Sears Roebuck	25 1-8	off 1-8
Southern Co	26 1-4	off 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	54 3-4	up 1-2
US West Inc	37	off 1-2

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#90333u1327 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1014.4
Wednesday	1020.6
Week ago	Holiday
Month ago	1039.9
Year ago	1065.6
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1014.4

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#90333u1334 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 12,650,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,083,917,010
Bonds - $2,740,000
1990 to date - $683,508,000

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#90333u1339 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Thursday - $38,390,000
1990 to date - $10,037,021,000

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#90333u1344 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - United Press International Thursday named Alberto Schazin, vice president and general manager for South America, as head of its business operations in Mexico and Central America and appointed Upendra Mishra as bureau chief in Mexico City.

Schazin, a 32-year veteran with UPI, will coordinate all of the company's affairs in Latin America from his present base in Buenos Aires, according to Michael Keats, senior vice president-international operations.

He replaced Salvador Barros who resigned.

Keats said that Mishra's appointment would afford a valuable link between the UPI reporting team in Mexico City and client editors throughout Mexico and the Central American region.

Mishra joined UPI in 1987 from The News of Mexico City after previously working as Latin American corresponmdent for the Indian newspaper, the Hindustan Times.

A native of Uttar Pradesh, India, he spent two years as a visiting research scholar at El Colegio de Mexico and gained a masters degree in International journalism at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

Schazin, who was born in Argentina, has served as bureau manager in Buenos Aires and in Chile, Peru and Brazil during his career with UPI. He was named vice president and general manager for South America in 1987 and is presently a member of the board of the Inter American Press Association.

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#90333u1349 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 29) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest

period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period Year Earlier
Am International (1st Q 10-27)
$214,721,000 $192,796,000
a-$1,742,000 $3,531,000 (.04)
a-Share earnings are computed after payment of preferred dividends of $1,725,000.

Autodie Corp (4th Q 8-31)
$25,200,269 $33,506,852
d-$1,458,451 $2,045,056 (.39)
d-Deficit.

Brown-Forman (2nd Q 10-31)
$381,485,000 $401,747,000
$43,967,000 (1.58) ad-$4,721,000
ad-Deficit, includes a charge of $59.9 million related to a write-off of the carrying value of California Cooler intangible assets.

Computrac Inc (3rd Q 10-31)
$3,299,255 $2,015,595
$236,417 (.04) $121,640 (.02)

CUC International Inc (3rd Q 10-31)
$114,541,000 $94,035,000
$4,777,000 (.21) $1,545,000 (.07)

Diana Corp (2nd Q 10-13)
$67,167,000 $65,339,000
d-$8,491,000 d-$10,083,000
d-Deficit.

Duty Free Intl Inc (3rd Q 10-31)
$33,193,000 $27,522,000
$5,387,000 (.49) $3,985,000 (.42)

Fleetwood Enterprises (2nd Q 10-28)
$349,400,000 $375,600,000
$6,612,000 (.30) $13,177,000 (.57)

Fonar Corp (1st Q 9-30)
$5,084,000 $7,563,000
$1,170,000 (.05) $159,000 (.01)

General Parametrics Cp (4th Q 10-31)
$4,142,000 $6,332,000
$458,000 (.06) $1,051,000 (.13)

Groundwater Technology (2nd Q 10-27)
$40,486,000 $30,096,000
$2,663,000 (.33) $2,009,000 (.25)

Mail Boxes Etc (2nd Q 10-31)
$7,298,829 $6,403,997
$1,022,829 (.26) $744,746 (.20)

Merrill Corp (3rd Q 10-31)
$26,614,000 $18,913,000
$779,000 (.22) $20,000 (.01)

Neiman-Marcus Group (1st Q 11-3)
$426,094,000 $399,058,000
$4,172,000 (.13) $5,797,000 (.18)

Raytech Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$26,758,000 $24,804,000
d-$528,000 $623,000 (.15)
d-Deficit.

Sanderson Farms Inc (4th Q 10-31)
$44,469,000 $46,006,000
$2,287,000 (.26) $3,277,000 (.36)

Stewart & Stevenson (3rd Q 10-31)
$173,527,000 $140,735,000
$8,120,000 (.54) $5,871,000 (.41)

Valspar Corp (4th 10-26)
$147,990,000 $145,883,000
$6,859,000 (.63) $5,596,000 (.51)

Village Super Market (1st Q 10-20)
$153,256,000 $154,177,000
$243,000 (.08) $914,000 (.30)

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#90333u1351 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 29) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 173.15 off 1.76
ASE Market Value Index 299.87 up 0.90
Dow-Jones Industrial 2518.81 off 16.34

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#90333u1355 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 300.10, low 298.32, close 299.87, up 0.90.

There was a gain of 3 cents in the average share price.

Volume 12,650,000 shares, compared with 12, 670,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	3
New Lows	28
Advances	269
Declines	265
Unchanged	279
Total Issues	813

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#90333u1378 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (NOV. 29) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Thursday -	7,781,000
1990 to date -	2,267,256,000

The market closed lower.

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#90333u1386 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks -	140,920,000 shares
1990 to date -	36,362,947,841
Warrants -	655,200
1990 to date -	236,344,300

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#90333u1398 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	299.87	up 0.90
High Technology	313.32	off 1.10
Capital Goods	313.13	off 1.94
Consumer Goods	381.37	up 0.42
Service	690.82	up 7.54
Retail	928.91	off 5.24
Financial	356.05	up 2.83
Natural Resources	217.15	up 0.58
Housing-Const-Land	221.20	off 0.86

There was a gain of 3 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS		
New England	402.75	up 3.97
Mid Atlantic	408.33	up 3.65
No Central	387.06	off 0.29
So Atlantic	828.19	up 2.02
So Central	299.85	off 1.49
Mountain	102.25	off 0.66
Pacific	341.71	off 1.42
Foreign	214.34	up 0.60

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#90333u1399 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.39	off 0.02
10 Public Utils	92.55	off 0.08
10 Industrials	88.24	up 0.05

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#90333u1401 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2526.73	2544.31	2501.24	2518.81	off 16.34
20 Trans	828.40	836.17	821.38	828.03	off 3.15
15 Utils	209.00	209.95	207.05	208.25	off 1.01
65 Stock	877.44	883.67	869.06	875.19	off 4.83

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	17,912,400	14,648,600
Trans	2,526,200	3,324,700
Utils	2,310,900	2,376,500
65 Stock	22,766,900	20,349,800

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.39	off 0.02
10 Public Utils	92.55	off 0.08
10 Industrials	88.24	up 0.05

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 124.20 off 0.63.

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#90333u1404 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	68,633,040	34 5/8	off 2 1/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	62,296,500	71 1/4	up 7/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	41,075,024	36 3/4	unch
Adobe Systems	(ADBE)	34,784,604	25 3/4	off 5/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	31,969,666	37 3/4	unch
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	31,740,544	20	up 1/8
Medco		27,848,898	28 3/4	off 5/8
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	21,619,028	57 3/4	up 3/4
Stewart Stv	(SSSS)	19,945,428	33 7/8	up 1 3/8
Costco	(COST)	19,571,170	45 3/8	up 1 1/4

Composite Index 156.67 up 0.32

NMS volume 92,910,000 shares.

Advances	761
Declines	732
Unchanged	1,282
Total	2,775

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#90333u1415 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Texas Utilities	4,002,000	36 1/2	unch
Philip Morris	1,900,400	48	off 5/8
Glaxo Hldgs	1,802,200	32 3/4	up 7/8
BankAmerica	1,589,200	21 7/8	off 1 5/8
PepsiCo	1,585,400	25	off 3/8
McDonalds Cp	1,579,700	28	off 1 1/8
RJR pf	1,459,800	20 3/4	off 1/4
Security Pac	1,428,900	21 7/8	off 3/8
Genl Electric	1,414,300	53 1/8	up 1/2
Genl Motors	1,353,000	37	off 3/4
Johnson Jhs	1,253,500	68	up 1
IBM Corp	1,195,700	112	off 3/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,143,700	31 1/4	up 1/4
Baxter Intl	1,139,200	27 7/8	up 5/8
Boeing Co	1,104,800	43	up 1/8

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#90333u1419 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 29) UPI - The White House says President Bush will consider congressional feelings for a special session to take up the Persian Gulf crisis but is NOT inclined to summon the lawmakers back to Washington. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater told reporters that he believes ''reluctant'' would be a good word to use to describe how Bush feels about a special session at this time.

Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole had said just yesterday that he felt there was a ''better than 50-50'' chance for a special session, what with the U-N Security Council ready to approve the use of force in the region. The Security Council session is scheduled to get under way at about 3 p-m, E-S-T. It appears certain now that the United States has lined up enough votes for approval of the resolution, which will set a deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait.

A German telethon has raised four-Million dollars for what is rapidly becoming a growing international effort to ship food to the Soviet Union. Moscow reportedly is short on milk and has only a three- to five- day supply of meat. And other shortages are reported throughout a country, where long lines to buy scarce goods have been part of daily life for decades. Western diplomats say the latest problems are NOT so much that of low supplies as troubles within the Soviet distribution system.

Journalist Nicholas Daniloff says he is returning to the Soviet Union... just four years after he was imprisoned by the K-G-B and threatened with the death penalty for espionage. Daniloff says he is returning to the Soviet Union as a university lecturer. Four years ago, Daniloff was preparing to leave the Soviet Union after a five-year stint when a K-G-B set-up ended in his arrest for spying. Daniloff was held for 13 days before being released in a complicated deal that also involved a Soviet agent.

A radio station in Maumee, Ohio, near Toledo, has filed a 500-thousand-dollar lawsuit against the discredited singing group Milli Vanilli, charging fraud at a concert last summer. The suit asks for 200 dollars for each person who attended the station-sponsored concert. Milli Vanilli was stripped of its Grammy Award last week after it was discovered that its two members never sang on any of the songs they were supposed to have recorded.

The medical examiner's office in Milwaukee has ruled that 89-year-old Joseph Neumaier apparently died of natural causes while visiting his wife's grave on their 64th wedding anniversary. Mary Neumaier died about two years ago, and her husband was known to have visited the grave every day.

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#90333u1420 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
BAT Industries	631,500	10 7/8	off 1/16
PW Group wtB	594,000	10 3/8	up 5/8
Energy Service	503,900	2 3/8	unch
Echo Bay Mines	493,600	8 3/4	up 1/4
Eksportfinan wt	491,400	10 1/2	up 3/4
Denmark King wt	382,600	21 3/8	up 1
Salomon wt93Jan	330,500	20 1/2	up 1 1/8
Galactic Resour	316,100	1 1/4	up 1/8
Wang Labs Inc B	287,800	2 3/4	unch
Fruit of Loom	267,500	8 3/8	up 1/8

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(NOV. 29) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6100	off 100
Linc Natl pf	157	off 56 3/4
Nashua Corp	30 1/2	off 8 3/8
Kubota Corp	100	off 8
Wash Post	180 1/2	up 5 3/4
LIL pfI	115	up 5
Indi M pfB	83	up 5
CBS Inc	165 3/4	up 4 7/8
Pioneer Elec	55	off 4 1/2
Matsushita El	120	off 4 1/4

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (NOV. 29) UPI - Eric Bieniemy, who battled one of the country's toughest schedules to finish within 14 yards of the national rushing title, Thursday was named the United Press International's Big Eight Conference Offensive Player of the Year.

Bieniemy was the near-unanimous choice of a 36-member panel of sports writers and broadcasters from acoss the six-state Big Eight area. The only other player to earn a vote was Oklahoma State's Gerald Hudson, whose 264-yard effort in his final game gave him the top rushing average in the country.

A 5-foot-7, 195-pound firebrand, Bieniemy impressed coaches throughout the Big Eight with his competitive nature. He was a clear choice of the league's coaches when asked which Big Eight player they would most like to use to start a program. Bieniemy is the second consecutive Colorado player, and only the second Buffalo on record overall, to win the Offensive Player of the Year award. Colorado quarterback Darian Hagan was last year's winner.

''All season long he's been our bread-and-butter guy,'' said Colorado Coach Bill McCartney. ''He's just a real gritty guy. He competes hard every time with or without the ball. He's a real special competitor. One that you rarely get to coach.''

Earlier in the season, the Buffaloes coach said, ''He's such a fiery, competitive guy. He always gets everyone excited. He's the kind of guy an offensive lineman will block for because he's got the same temperament that they do. He would perfer to run inside the tackles rather than outside. Of course, that's a special kid who does that.

''It's his chemistry and temperament and makeup mentally that separates him from other kids.''

An off-season incident relative to his nature led to Bieniemy being suspended for his first game, but he piled up 149 yards and three touchdowns against Stanford in his first action of the season. He also had three-touchdown games against Texas and Kansas. He was held under 100 yards just once (99 yards against Texas) and turned in a 217-yard effort against Missouri.

It was after a slightly injured Bieniemy had 174 yards on just 18 carries against Kansas that Heisman Trophy talk began to include him. McCartney put it off, saying the following two weeks - against Oklahoma and Nebraska - would be the real Heisman difference.

All Bieniemy did was rip Oklahoma for 188 yards and a touchdown. He added 137 yards against Nebraska and scored four fourth-period touchdowns to knock the Cornhuskers from the unbeaten ranks.

''Bieniemy is as competitive as anyone I've ever been around,'' McCartney said. ''It's that fire within him that distinguishes him. He's got so much grit and so much compeitive urge and instinct, that's what seperates him. His ability to run inside, outside, his ability to catch the ball and his willingness to block, all of those things are really first rate.''

Hudson is the third Oklahoma State back since 1982 to win the national rushing title. The 5-9, 207-pound senior from Waxahachie, Texas, had eight 100-yard efforts as the one static element in the Oklahoma State attack. He averaged 5.9 yards a carry. In addition to his 264-yard gae against Iowa State, Hudson had a 255-yard rushing total against Missouri, giving him the top two rushing days in the Big Eight this season.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	232.75	233.70	229.90	231.70	233.25
Mar	234.90	235.70	232.00	233.90	235.35
Jun	....	....	....	236.10	237.55
Sep	....	....	....	238.50	239.95

Estimated volume: 211 contracts.
Open interest: 1,468 off 8.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	318.45	319.25	315.15	316.75	319.25
Mar	320.80	321.85	317.80	319.40	321.85
Jun	323.15	324.80	320.50	322.50	324.95
Sep	325.00	327.00	323.50	325.40	327.85

Estimated volume: 57,137 contracts.
Open interest: 154,789 off 1,241

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	173.75	174.40	172.10	173.35	174.35
Mar	174.95	175.50	173.30	174.70	175.55
Jun	175.60	175.70	175.60	176.05	176.85

Open interest: 4,502 off 335.

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	534.50	536.50	529.60	531.65	535.75
Jan	537.65	538.25	532.00	533.80	537.85
Feb	534.70	537.75	532.00	533.80	537.95

Estimated volume: 2,195 contracts.
Open interest: 7,781 up 14.

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RAVENSWOOD, WV (NOV. 29) UPI - The United Steelworkers of America said Thursday that Ravenswood Aluminum Corp. rejected its latest proposal in a contract dispute that has idled 1,800 USW members since Nov. 1.

USW representative Joe Chapman said representatives of the company refused to discuss any aspect of the offer, which was made Wednesday during talks under a federal mediator. The company, in a statement, called the union's latest offer

"disappointing."

"The union made some movement in their offer, but the company and the union remain miles apart," said Earl Schick, vice president of labor relations. No further talks were scheduled.

The work stoppage is the first in the facility's history resulting from a contract dispute. It began less than two years after the plant was taken private in a leveraged buyout.

In its latest proposal, the union offered to withdraw its demand for continuation of a price-based bonus plan in exchange for restoration of wage rates that existed in 1983, a union official said. That would mean an average increase of $1.34 an hour over the current wage rate.

According to the union, the price bonus has been paying workers as much as $2 an hour and represented well over ten percent of each worker's take-home pay.

The union also said its latest proposal included the elimination of 50 percent of non-wage items, and lowered the cost of one-third of those remaining, according to a union official.

"Our proposals represented a significant pullback on our part," said Jim Bowen director of USW District 23. "But it took the company less than 15 minutes to tell us it would not accept them, that we were still far apart and that it would have nothing further to say."

According to the union, the company has demanded elimination of the price bonuses and cost-of-living protection. Instead, it has proposed a profit-sharing plan, a USW spokesman said.

The union rejected the proposal originally because the company would not guarantee workers would receive as much in profit-sharing as they did under the old plan, the spokesman continued.

"This is the first time in my 24 years of bargaining that a company involved in a work stoppage has refused to discuss its reasons for rejecting a contract proposal," Chapman said.

Chapman said the union's proposal differed sharply from the one on the table on Nov. 1, when the company refused an offer to continue negotiations, broke off talks and locked out the workers, who are members of USW Local 5668.

The Ravenswood Works had been owned and operated for several decades by Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Corp., a publicly owned company headquartered in Oakland Calif. RAC acquired the facility in a leveraged buyout in 1989 and has operated it since then as a closely held, private corporation.

According to the union, steelworkers made contract concessions for Kaiser in 1985. They extended certain sacrifices in 1988 in return for the bonus plan, which has paid an average of $8,000 to each employee during that period.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Assets of the nation's 526 money-market mutual funds rose by a relatively modest $198.0 million to $423.76 billion in the week ended Wednesday, according to the Investment Company Institute, a research arm of the U.S. mutual fund industry.

Elsewhere, two other financial reporting organizations said average yields for money-market mutual funds were mixed, as were deposit and lending rates at competing U.S. savings and loan institutions.

The Investment Company Institute reported Thursday broker-dealer fund assets rose by $87.2 million to $166.38 billion, assets of general-purpose funds declined by $105.8 million to $149.92 billion, and institutional fund assets increased by $216.6 million to $107.45 billion.

Institute vice president and chief economist Jacob Dreyer said rising yields on Treasury bills, commercial paper, short-term certificates of deposit and other direct money-market instruments hardly altered asset levels.

"But as the yield differential favoring money-market funds over alternative investment outlets narrowed," Dreyer noted, "the inflow of monies into funds slowed considerably from the pace of the preceding week."

The institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money-market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.27 percent, down from 7.35 percent. But 30-day simple yields were at 7.34 percent, also down from 7.38 percent. The average maturity of fund portfolios fell to 50 days from 51 days.

Donoghue's noted that total assets of the 689 taxable and tax-free money-market mutual funds it tracks rose above the $500 billion mark for the first time since the first such fund was launched in 1972. They totaled $501.09 billion vs. $499.40 billion a week earlier.

The Bank Rate Monitor in North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.83 percent, down from 5.84 percent; Super-Now accounts, 4.95 percent, down from 4.96 percent; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.33 percent, off from 7.36 percent; 1-year CDs, 6.39 percent, off from 7.43 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.50 percent, down from 7.53

percent; and five-year CDs, 7.72 percent, down from 7.75 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.03 percent, down from 8.04 percent the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.48 percent, a decline from 9.53 percent. The average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage eased to 9.79 percent, off from 9.84 percent.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was at 12.25 percent, up from 12.23 percent.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	355.75	up	0.69	Holiday	456.09
Industrial	385.17	up	0.93		445.28
Finance	346.97	off	0.83		520.41
Insurance	425.12	off	1.69		554.62
Utility	462.30	up	3.29		737.10
Bank	248.56	off	0.43		415.17
Transport	385.28	up	2.94		474.39

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	156.67	up	0.32
Industrial Index	153.35	up	0.41
NASDAQ-100 Index	382.22	up	2.83

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austral	.000185	.000196	5407.00	5096.00
Australia dlr	.7714	.7685	1.2963	1.3012
Austria schill	.0956	.0959	10.46	10.43

Belgium franc-c	.0325	.0326	30.81	30.63
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0075	.0077	133.67	130.32
Britain pound	1.9560	1.9697	.5112	.5077
Britain 1-mo	1.9476	1.9598	.5135	.5103
Britain 3-mo	1.9323	1.9456	.5175	.5140
Britain 6-mo	1.9135	1.9259	.5226	.5192
Canada dollar	.8591	.8585	1.1640	1.1648
Canada 1-mo	.8561	.8552	1.1681	1.1693
Canada 3-mo	.8516	.8506	1.1743	1.1756
Canada 6-mo	.8445	.8439	1.1842	1.1850
Chile peso-f	.003114	.003122	321.18	320.29
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001847	.001848	541.56	541.09
Denmark krne	.1753	.1759	5.7060	5.6850
Ecudr sucre-z	.001169	.001172	855.68	853.12
Egypt pound	.3601	.3601	2.7768	2.7768
Finlnd mrkka	.2808	.2822	3.5610	3.5440
France franc	.1989	.1996	5.0275	5.0110
France 1-mo	.1988	.1993	5.0310	5.0173
France 3-mo	.1981	.1988	5.0469	5.0313
France 6-mo	.1971	.1977	5.0727	5.0573
Greece drach	.006637	.006637	150.68	150.68
Hollnd guildr	.5886	.5972	1.6990	1.6745
HongKong dlr	.1283	.1283	7.7958	7.7940
India rupee	.0556	.0556	17.97	17.98
Indo'sa rupia	.000536	.000536	1864.00	1864.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7890	1.7970	0.5590	0.5565
Israel shekel	.5048	.5048	1.9810	1.9810
Italy lira	.000885	.000895	1130.00	1117.25
Japan yen	.007496	.007689	133.40	130.05
Japan 1-mo	.007530	.007695	132.80	129.95
Japan 3-mo	.007524	.007755	132.90	128.95
Japan 6-mo	.007669	.007814	130.40	127.97
Jordan dinar	1.5509	1.5555	.6448	.6429
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000343	.000343	2916.00	2916.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6073	.6092	1.6466	1.6415
Norway krne	.1721	.1728	5.8100	5.7875
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	423,500	423,550
P'pnes peso-z	.0365	.0362	27.36	27.60
Portugl escud	.007689	.007722	130.05	129.50
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5841	.5855	1.7120	1.7080

S.Africa rand	.4008	.4004	2.4947	2.4972
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010510	.010604	95.15	94.30
Sweden krona	.1791	.1797	5.5850	5.5635
Switzrl franc	.7862	.7877	1.2720	1.2695
Switzrl 1-mo	.7861	.7875	1.2721	1.2698
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7852	.7868	1.2736	1.2709
Switzrl 6-mo	.7841	.7859	1.2753	1.2725
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0374	26.74	26.74
Turkey lira	.000361	.000360	2770.00	2776.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6632	3.6632
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0202	.0202	49.55	49.55
Germany mark	.6667	.6732	1.5000	1.4855
Germany 1-mo	.6665	.6729	1.5004	1.4860
Germany 3-mo	.6656	.6721	1.5025	1.4879
Germany 6-mo	.6635	.6701	1.5071	1.4923
Yugosl dinar	.0989	.0989	10.11	10.11

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Thursday 382.22 up 2.83.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Expectations of a U.N. Security Council vote authorizing the use of force to eject Iraq from Kuwait combined with technical factors to push the dollar sharply higher Thursday in thin New York trading. A vote by the United Nations body was set for late Thursday afternoon.

Currency traders said the dollar also benefited from rumors that armed forces in the Persian Gulf had gone on alert and that shots had been fired, which set off purchases of the dollar as a "safe haven" currency.

They said the Japanese yen in particular skidded against the dollar, citing predictions that a major earthquake would shortly hit Tokyo and that a number of Japanese financial and other companies were in trouble. "Earthquake, war, pestilence - you name it," said Francoise Soares-Kemp, vice president for

currency with Credit Suisse. "It's been quite a day."

In late New York trading, the dollar stood at 1.5030 German marks, well up from 1.4855 Wednesday, and 133.15 at yen, up from 130.05. The British pound plunged to $1.9440 from $1.97.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.28 Swiss francs, up from 1.27; 5.0765 French francs, up from 5.0150; and 1,130 Italian lire, up from 1,118.

While the Security Council's likely passage a U.S.-drafted resolution on the use of force to drive Iraq from Kuwait stimulated buying of the dollar, Soares-Kemp said year-end technical pressures also drove the rally.

"It's not a move that I think is terribly surprising, other than the fact it happened in one morning," said Robert White, a vice president and foreign exchange manager for First Interstate Bank in Los Angeles.

He pointed to the "growing concern of markets with regard to the stability of a lot of the Japanese corporate and financial institutions," given the crash of the Tokyo stock market and a slowing Japanese economy.

In Europe, the dollar closed higher on renewed apprehension about warfare in the Persian Gulf following U.N. action, analysts said.

"The dollar strengthened slightly across the board. The key factor was the U.N. resolution on the Gulf crisis and the feeling that there will be a move towards war, restoring the dollar's position as a safe haven," said Steven King, a currency analyst at the investment house James Capel in London.

In Frankfurt, the dollar rose to 1.4865 marks from 1.4845. The greenback also moved up in Zurich, to 1.2680 Swiss francs from 1.2580. In London, the pound weakened, fetching $1.9575 compared with $1. 9745.

The dollar also rose in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively: 5.0260 French francs vs. 4.9880; 30.71 Belgian francs vs. 30.59; and 1,117.95 lire vs. 1,108.80.

Earlier in Toyko, the dollar soared to a three-week high against the yen on remarks made Wednesday by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan expressing concern over the dollar's weakness. The dollar closed at 130. 15 yen, up from 128.90.

The dollar staged a powerful Thursday morning rally on Greenspan's comments about the inflationary threat from a weak dollar, said senior foreign-exchange manager Noburu Yokohashiat of Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank.

But some dealers said the Tokyo rally was more technical, as players sought to discover the top of the current dollar price range.

In Zurich, gold closed lower, at $386 an ounce from $386.50, but closed up in London to $386.50 an ounce vs. $385.

Silver rose in both Zurich, closing at $4.15 an ounce vs. $4.12, and London, at $4.13 an ounce vs. $4.10.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $388 an ounce, ahead from $385 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled the new December gold contract at $388.90 an ounce, up from $385.70.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.11 an ounce, down from $4.145. Comex silver finished trading at $4.085 an ounce, down from $4.125.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	355.76	352.99	355.75	up	0.69
Industrial	385.19	381.94	385.17	up	0.93
Finance	347.51	345.81	346.97	off	0.83
Insurance	427.42	424.77	425.12	off	1.69
Utility	462.30	454.81	462.30	up	3.29
Bank	249.39	247.33	248.56	off	0.43
Transport	385.91	380.01	385.28	up	2.94

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	156.67	up 0.32
Industrial Index	153.35	up 0.41
NASDAQ-100 Index	382.22	up 2.83
(largest non-fin'cl)		
Average price per share	8.09	up 0.01
Volume	92,910,000	shares
Advances	761	
Declines	732	
Unchanged	1,282	
Total	2,775	

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter

Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	114,188,000
Advances	887
Declines	905
Unchanged	2,407
Total	4,199

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - American motorists, already suffering from sticker shock at the gas pump, are about to get another jolt beginning Saturday when the federal tax on gas increases an additional 5 cents a gallon.

The increased tax, from 9 cents to 14 cents a gallon on unleaded fuel and 15 cents to 20 cents on diesel, was engineered by the Bush administration and Congress in the waning days of October as part of the 1991 budget deal.

It will affect virtually every segment of the nation's air, rail and ground transportation system.

The gas tax is expected to bring in revenues of $45 billion over five years, while a separate airline user tax will generate $11.8 billion during the same period, according to federal estimates.

Transportation tax increases, among the first to go into effect following the budget agreement, come at a time when fuel prices have soared to record levels resulting from instabililty in the Persian Gulf.

In October gasoline prices had already jumped to a nationwide average of $1.33 per gallon for unleaded regular fuel, a 17-cent increase since August, the Department of Energy said.

The average national price for a gallon of unleaded regular gas at self-service pumps stood at $1.31 on Nov. 26, the latest available figure, the Energy Department's Energy Information Agency reported.

While motorists can expect across-the-board increases, holiday airline passengers will be greeted with a 10 percent user tax on tickets, up from 8 percent.

In addition, airline passengers will soon pay higher fees on international flights and airport-levied taxes for modernization that will go into effect in mid-1991.

Although gasoline prices have stabilized somewhat during the past month, the continued uncertainty in the gulf over the possible outbreak of war could push up prices further. Increasing prices on gasoline and home heating oil also

could weaken an economy widely believed to be on the brink of a recession.

Economists generally agreed that the 5-cent gas tax alone would not significantly alter the driving patterns of motorists. But they added that the tax - coming after 60 percent increases in many areas since Iraq invaded Kuwait - could slow consumption.

''It's not by itself large enough to make a big difference,'' said Michael Canes, chief economist at the American Petroleum Institute. But he added that in the aggregate, ''The pump prices are probably going to effect gas purchases.''

Canes said institute data showed a drop in gas consumption during October, a slowdown he expects to continue.

Public transportation officials around the nation said ridership on rapid transit lines, subways and buses appears to be increasing, though they were unsure whether the increase is due to higher fuel prices.

''We are seeing increases but it's hard to tell whether the Middle East crisis is having an effect,'' said Michael Healy, spokesman for San Francisco's Bay Area Rapid Transit system.

Healy noted that passenger use has increased 2 percent to 3 percent since last year when volume swelled nearly 12 percent following the 1989 earthquake.

Healy added that BART has enhanced service by adding trains and extending hours of service in the morning and evening hours.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - Secretary of State Baker is conducting intense, last-minute talks with U-N Security Council foreign ministers, trying for still more support for a resolution to approve the use of force against Iraqi forces in Kuwait. The Security Council is to meet at about 3 p-m, E-S-T, to take up the U-S-backed resolution, which will give Iraq until January 15th to get out of Kuwait.

The unofficials delegation of Italian pacifists who returned to Rome from Baghdad with 68 Italian hostages says Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is- quoting now- ''ready to dialogue'' with anybody. The delegation is urging the Italian government to open talks with Saddam on freedom for the remaining Italians held in Iraq and Kuwait.

White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater says President Bush is NOT inclined to call Congress back to Washington for a special session to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. Fitzwater says he thinks ''reluctant'' is a good

word to describe the president's attitude toward a special session at this time.

The newly confirmed U-S ambassador to Lebanon pledged today to make every effort to gain the release of six American hostages held with six other foreign nationals. Ambassador Ryan Crocker is the first U-S envoy in Beirut in more than one year... the result of a raging civil war in the Lebanese capital.

The Salvadoran army says rebel attacks on military installations north of the capital at San Salvador and in an eastern province claimed hundreds of casualties in the last week. And the rebels warned in a statement today that they will fight with everything they have against what is termed ''all elements that prevent the move to democracy and justice in the country.''

Engineers at Cape Canaveral started the countdown today for the fifth pre-dawn launch attempt of the shuttle Columbia on an astronomy flight that has been delayed for six months because of fuel leaks. The shuttle is scheduled to blast off early Sunday on a 10-day mission.

At least one economist says today's report on the personal income of Americans shows that the recession has begun. The Commerce Department says personal income rose only one-tenth of one percent in October... the worst showing in more than a year.

The Food and Drug Administration today approved a less toxic drug to cure African sleeping sickness- an often fatal parasitic sickness that is carried by flies. The World Health Organization says the new drug could save about three-thousand people a year from premature deaths.

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(NOV. 29) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	17	20	Holiday
New lows	35	32	

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	646	46,504,300
Declines	845	72,851,300
Unchanged	506	21,564,400
Total	1,997	140,920,000

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(NOV. 29) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 3
New lows 28

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	269	5,682,200
Declines	265	3,266,600
Unchanged	279	3,701,200
Total	813	12,650,000

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(Dow Jones revises transp, utils, stocks)

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Thursday	2518.81	off	16.34	828.03	off	3.15	208. 25	off	1.01
Wednesday	2535.15	off	8.66	831.18	off	7.95	209. 26	up	0.13
Week ago	HOLIDAY								
Month ago	2454.95	up	12.62	831.92	up	9.62	215. 61	up	2.33
Year ago	2706.27	up	17.49	1170.70	up	3.20	224. 91	up	1.82
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	173.81	172.80	173.14	off 0.77
Industrial	215.00	213.90	214.17	off 0.93
Transport	131.66	131.05	131.38	off 0.47
Utility	89.56	89.12	89.27	off 0.27
Finance	116.14	115.19	115.55	off 0.86

Equivalent to a loss of 13 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 140,920,000 shares.

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WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (NOV. 29) UPI - Fred Akers, who failed to duplicate the same level of success he achieved at Texas, resigned under pressure Thursday as Purdue football coach.

Akers announced his resignation during a news conference called following two days of meetings with Purdue president Steven Beering and athletic director George King.

''I wish Purdue nothing but success,'' Akers said. ''I met briefly with our players and said farewell to them and wished them luck. Hopefully they will stay with things and continue to work and go on and realize the dreams we had.''

No successor was named immediately, but school officials were expected to come up with a replacement soon because of a need for recruiting.

Akers, 52, had four years remaining on a contract that paid a base salary of $125,000 a year.

Purdue sports information director Jim Vruggink said the meetings among Akers, Beering and King began Wednesday and continued into Thursday. Both sides agreed ''some time ago'' to meet after the season for an evaluation, Vruggink added.

A published report earlier Thursday said Akers refused to resign, then called his assistants - who were on the road recruiting - to tell them to return to campus and recommend they start looking for other jobs.

Akers has produced four losing seasons at Purdue, compiling a record of 12-31-1. The stumbling Boilermakers were 2-9 overall this past season, including 1-7 in the Big Ten. The only team they beat in conference was Northwestern.

The nine losses were the most ever sustained by a Purdue team in a single season.

Akers came to Purdue after coaching at the University of Texas from 1977-86, where he compiled an 86-31-2 mark. He also spent two years at Wyoming.

Purdue's home game attendance has plummeted by nearly 23,000, with an average of 40,799 fans attending clashes in the 67,861-seat Ross-Ade stadium. The best attendance of the season was at 57,031 for a homecoming game against Ohio State. In 1986, average attendance at home games was 63,110.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Stocks closed lower in light trading Thursday, done in by profit taking before a United Nations vote on a resolution authorizing the use of force to drive Iraq out of Kuwait.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which lost 8.66 Wednesday, fell 16.34 to close at 2518.81.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index lost 0.76 to 173.15. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 1.53 to 316.42. The price of an average share slid 13 cents.

Declines led advances, 851-636, among the 1,999 issues crossing the Big Board tape. Volume totaled 140,920,000 shares, compared with 145,490,000 traded Wednesday.

Stocks drifted with modest losses for most of the day, hitting their lows in early afternoon, pressured by rumors that shots had been fired in the Persian Gulf. The Pentagon denied the rumors - but not before the Dow had fallen to a 25 point loss.

The market recovered but faded slightly again before the close as investors who were already jittery about the situation in the Mideast saw an opportunity to take profits, especially before the United Nations Security Council vote.

The 15-member U.N. Security Council met late Thursday to debate a proposed resolution that would authorize the use of force to drive Iraq out of Kuwait.

The resolution calls for Iraq to withdraw its 400,000 troops from the tiny emirate by Jan. 15. If Iraq does not, the resolution gives the U.S.-dominated multinational force deployed in the region, numbering about 500,000 men and women, permission to use "all necessary means" to eject Iraqi troops. The resolution was approved by a vote of 12-2 with one abstention early Thursday evening.

"I think we just had some people taking profits here," said Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King & Associates in Albany, N.Y. "Over the course of day, we had rumors, denied of course, that shots were being fired and so forth," he noted. "There was an all-out drop there until the Pentagon said it wasn't true. But that's the type of market we're going tosee until we get some stability in what's going on over there."

Doran said he thought the U.N. resolution, which has been talked about for days, has been factored into the market. "The question is, though, what is the next step going to be? And when you have rumors that shots have been fired that just magnifies the jitters," said Doran.

On the trading floor, Texas Utilities was the most active issue, unchanged at 36 1/2. Philip Morris followed, down 5/8 to 48. Glaxo was third, up 7/8 to 32 3/4.

Among other blue chips, AT&T lost 1/4 to 31 5/8, IBM fell 3/8 to 112, and McDonald's lost 1 1/8 to 28, but General Electric gained 1/2 to 53 1/8.

Lehman Brothers reportedly commented to its sales force on rumors that McDonald's is considering permanent price cuts on its basic products, like hamburgers and milk shakes. The brokerage was said to warn that if the prices are cut, the fast-food giant's profit margins could fall sharply in the short term. But McDonald's chief financial officer Jack Greenberg said the rumors were "absolutely untrue and totally unfounded."

Elsewhere, Nashua plunged 8 3/8 to 30 1/2 after saying it expected fourth-quarter profits below analysts' expectations. CBS added 4 7/8 to 165 3/4 after reports that it is weighing a possible stock-buyback program.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 172,066,540 shares, compared with 182,371,290 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices rose in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index added 0.90 to close at 299.87. Advances led declines, 270-260, among the 815 issues traded. The price of an average share rose three cents. Composite volume totaled 14,717,300 shares vs. 14,731,320 traded Wednesday. B.A.T. Industries led the Amex issues, down 1/16 to 10 7/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 0.69 to 355.75.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - Scientists Thursday reported what they say is the first direct evidence linking a virus known to cause neurological disease in horses and sheep to psychiatric problems in humans.

A team of American and German researchers examined the relationship between the Borna virus and human illness by copying a piece of the virus's genetic material and seeing if it spurred formation of antibodies in blood taken from people with schizophrenia or personality disorders.

The body's immune system produces proteins called antibodies to help fight off infectious agents like viruses. Because it is difficult to detect viruses themselves, doctors test for the specific antibodies they trigger to determine if someone is infected with a particular virus.

In a study published in the journal Science, the researchers found blood samples from three of seven German psychiatric patients produced antibodies to the Borna virus, compared with none of the samples from healthy people.

The people involved in the study were from parts of Germany where the Borna virus is widespread in horses and sheep. Researchers do not know exactly how the virus, which appears to invade the nervous system, is transmitted.

Previous studies of humans and rats have indirectly linked the virus to psychiatric and behavioral disorders.

Recent work in Germany and the United States showed psychiatric patients have antibodies in their bloodstream similar to those triggered by the laboratory-made piece of virus. However, those studies could not directly link those antibodies to the Borna virus.

With the latest results in hand, researchers are now trying to identify the whole Borna virus both in animals and humans.

''Once we do that, this information could lead to diagnostic tests for infected patients and eventually to anti-viral agents to treat the infection and possibly psychiatric diorders as well,'' said Janice Clements of Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, a co-author of the study.

Other institutions taking part in the work were Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colo., and Justus-Liebig University-Giessen in Germany.

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#90333u1594 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - President Bush has selected outgoing Florida Gov. Bob Martinez as the nation's new anti-drug director, and is expected to announce his nomination Friday, sources said Thursday.

The sources said Martinez, who quietly left Tallahassee, Fla., for Washington Thursday, was expected to join the president at the White House for a mid-afternoon announcement.

Martinez, a Republican, was defeated in his bid for reelection on Nov. 6 by Democrat Lawton Chiles. He would replace William Bennett as director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

The position is subject to Senate confirmation, and he has already lined up the backing of Florida's two senators, Democrat Bob Graham and Republican Connie Mack. Chiles has also expressed support for him.

Bennett announced his resignation as anti-drug director on Nov. 8. His final

day on the job is Friday. With the backing of Bush, he is expected to become head of the Republican National Committee in January.

Administration sources first disclosed on Nov. 18 that Martinez was being considered as Bennett's successor, and the governor has acknowledged discussing the post with White House aides.

Martinez, 55, who term as governor ends Jan. 8, has experience in fighting drugs.

He served as the point man for the National Governors' Association on drug policy, spearheaded drives for workplace drug testing and got the state legislature to expand the death sentence to cover drug kingpins.

Although the White House appears impressed with his credentials, Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., chairman of the House Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control, said he would prefer someone with more experience and not ''someone who has lost an election and needs a job.''

Martinez' office announced his departure from Tallahassee Thursday about three hours after he left the state capital, but did not give a reason.

''The governor will overnight in Washington. Information about his Friday schedule will be released later,'' Martinez' office said in a terse statement.

Asked what Martinez would do in Washington, press secretary Jon Peck said, ''I dunno. It's a nice city, lots of places to play tourist in.''

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.64	9.27
Anchor Fund Inv	13.77	14.61
Delaware Mutual	16.71	17.92
Fidelity Fund	16.12	16.12
Investor Mutual	10.88	11.45
Investor Stocks	18.04	18.99
Investor Select	8.39	8.83
IDS Equity Plus	8.74	9.20
MFS Growth Stk	8.41	9.07
Nicholas Income	3.08	3.08
Utd Accumulated	6.09	6.66
United Income	16.43	17.96
Vang Wellington	16.17	16.17

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - The National Dairy Board, which uses farmers' money to promote milk sales, is illegally lobbying for federal approval of a synthetic hormone that makes cows produce more milk, a lawsuit charged Thursday.

The Food and Drug Administration has not decided whether to license the genetically engineered hormone for use. It is examining the drug's effects on cows but repeatedly has said milk from cows injected with bovine somatatropine (BST) is safe, a view not shared by groups opposed to the drug.

Suit was filed by the Foundation on Economic Trends, a longstanding critic of BST. It asked for an injunction against any further activities in support of BST and that might influence state or federal decisions about it.

"The (board) is not authorized to conduct promotion or research for genetically engineered animal drugs that have not received government approval for commercial uses," the suit said, arguing the 1983 law that created the board prohibits "any funds collected under the order from being used in any manner for the purpose of influencing governmental policy or action."

At issue was a $1 million contract the Dairy Board negotiated with a Washington public relations firm to handle the BST issue for the dairy industry. Plans called for use of materials to tell "influencers," such as nutrition experts, that BST was safe, with so-called consumer education to begin after an FDA decision.

"They knew it was illegal to do a pro-active campaign and they did it anyway," foundation president Jeremy Rifkin said, citing letters in which Dairy Board officials said there would be no consumer campaign until FDA acted.

The lawsuit contended the Dairy Board worked with other milk and drug industry trade associations to place advertisements, make public presentations about BST and distribute brochures and other materials about BST.

In addition, the Foundation on Economic Trends petitioned the FDA to suspend its review of BST until the four companies who developed the drug stop industry trade associations from promoting the drug. An FDA spokesman said there would be no comment until the petition could be reviewed.

The National Institutes of Health have scheduled a two-day meeting next week to gather the consensus of researchers, physicians, consumers and public interest groups on BST. FDA scientists took the unusual step last Aug. 24 of publishing material from 120 studies that they said showed BST posed no threat.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 440.33, off 0.22 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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DETROIT (NOV. 30) UPI - Ford Motor Co.'s $2.5 billion purchase of the British luxury carmaker Jaguar has all but exhausted Ford's ability to exceed current fuel economy standards, a company executive said Thursday.

Ford is now required to count Jaguar cars sold in this country among its import fleet, which also includes the Korean-made Festiva minicar and the Australian-built Capri, said David Kulp, manager of Ford's fuel economy planning and compliance office.

Jaguar had been paying between $5 million and $8 million a year in civil penalties for exceeding the federally mandated corporate average fuel economy standards, known as CAFE, between 1985 and 1988, Kulp said.

Because Ford bought Jaguar in late 1989, the luxury carmaker could pay another $6 million to $7 million for exceeding the CAFE standard for last year, he added.

That standard is now set at 27.5 mpg for both domestic and import cars sold in the United States.

Ford said this week it has reduced the content of North American-made parts of its new full-sized Crown Victoria and Grand Marquis sedans, which debut next March as 1992 models, below the 75 percent level, thereby being allowed to count them as part of its import fleet for CAFE purposes.

Under federal law, a car must have a domestic parts content of at least 75 percent to be classified as a domestic model.

By lowering the content and reclassifying those large, V8-powered cars as imports, Ford eases pressure it felt to meet CAFE standards among its North American-made cars.

Kulp told UPI, however, that there are no plans to do this with future new large cars, like its redesigned Lincoln Mark VIII coupe due in the early 1990s. This is partly because the Jaguars have substantially lowered the mileage ratings of its import fleet.

''We do not have any plans to do this further,'' Kulp said. ''The intention was to rebalance our fleets, and there is not any real need in the longer term

to be considering further movements into that fleet. And with Jaguar in the import fleet, it becomes less prudent a decision.''

Ford also remains committed to importing and selling the Festiva just so it can balance its import fleet with a fuel stingy subcompact. ''With the purchase of Jaguar, we must now keep a fuel-efficient car in there,'' Kulp explained.

On the domestic side, Kulp said Ford will just barely meet the 27.5 mpg standard on its 1991 models, saying that credits that may be used from other years when it exceeded the standard are now exhausted.

''By 1990, we will have used those credits,'' he said.

A major part of the strategy to continue meeting future CAFE standards depends on how many of the new, fuel-efficient Escort and Tracer subcompacts Ford can sell.

Ford has said it must sell about 500,000 of these cars a year just so it can go on selling its larger, less miserly models. Kulp acknowledged that means Ford must virtually sell two Escorts for every Lincoln Town Car luxury sedans.

Kulp said he feels Ford will be able to meet any small increases in CAFE standards during the near-term through steady technological improvements.

But he reiterated that more drastic proposals, like the one proposed by Sen. Richard Bryan (D-Nev.) to raise fuel economy by 40 percent by 2001, will be hard to achieve.

''We do not see 20 percent more by 1995 or 40 percent more by 2001,'' he said, adding that there must be talks between government and industry that take into account legislation that will hamper higher fuel economy gains, like tighter emissions requirements and new crash standards.

''We still do not know what effect the Clean Air Act will have,'' Kulp said, referring to the far-reaching law Congress passed earlier this year.

''And new safety standards will add between 100 and 150 pounds to a car and 200 pounds to a truck, which works against fuel economy.''

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(NOV 29) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record

Omitted

Stage II Apparel Corp

Stock Split
Surgical Laser Tech - 3-for-2

Stock

Flagler Bank cl-A&B	..	5PC	12-31	12-11

Increased

Centel Corp	Q	.22	1-31	1-8
Selas Corp of America	Q	.05	12-27	12-13
Union Pacific Corp	Q	.62 1/2	1-2	12-12

Special

First Fidelity Bncp	..	.04	12-15	12-1
Pitt-Des Moines Inc	..	.10	12-28	12-14

Extra

Baker Fentress & Co	..	.32	12-26	12-11

Initial

Dreyer's Ice Cream	..	.17	12-20	12-10
ECI Telecom Ltd	..	.22	12-27	12-14

Distribution

Baker Fentress & Co	..	1.25	12-26	12-11
OKC Ltd Partnership	..	1.00	12-20	12-10
Polaris Industries Prt	Q	1.25	2-15	12-17

Usual

Affiliated Pubctns A&B	Q	.06	3-1	2-14
Amcore Financial Inc	Q	.12 1/2	12-10	11-30
Armor All Products	Q	.16	1-2	12-10
First Midwest Bancorp	Q	.13	1-7	12-26
Flagler Bank Corp clA	Q	.077	1-2	12-10
Flagler Bank Corp clB	Q	.07	1-2	12-10
Furon Co	Q	.06	2-1	1-18
Jacobson Stores Inc	Q	.12 1/2	1-10	12-14
Peoples Bancorp Wrcstr	Q	.31	1-18	1-2
Phoenix Re Corp	Q	.05	12-21	12-8
Pitt-Des Moines Inc	Q	.20	12-28	12-14
Presidential Life Cp	S	.04 1/2	1-2	12-17
Rouse Co	Q	.15	12-21	12-14
Showboat Inc	Q	.02 1/2	1-10	12-14
SPS Technologies	Q	.32	12-31	12-14

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- Annual

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UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 29) UPI - The U.N. Security Council approved Thursday the use of force to drive Iraqi troops out of Kuwait if President Saddam Hussein has not ordered their withdrawal by Jan. 15, the first such authorization in more than 40 years.

The 15-nation council authorized the military measure with a 12-2-1 vote. China, one of the five Security Council permanent members with the right to veto any resolution, abstained and Cuba and Yemen voted against.

Secretary of State James Baker, who presided over the meeting, said the presence of 13 foreign ministers at the council meeting was a testimony of the seriousness of Persian Gulf crisis.

''Our aim today must be to convince Saddam Hussein that the just, humane demands of this council and the international community cannot be ignored,'' Baker said at the start of the meeting.

''If Iraq does not reverse its course peacefully, then other necessary measures - including the use of force - should be authorized,'' he said. ''We must put the choice to Saddam Hussein in unmistakable terms.''

President Bush, speaking with reporters shortly after the U.N. vote, called the resolution ''a very powerful statement and everybody ought to understand how strong it is and how important it is.''

''Everybody wants a peaceful resolution. I think this would drive home the point to him that he's got to get out of Kuwait,'' he said.

In Washington, Iraq's ambassador to the United States, Mohammed Al- Mashat, attacked the resolution as ''selective,'' because the U.N. has not imposed sanctions against Israel for its occupation of the West Bank and other Arab lands.

''It is scandalous and shameful,'' Al-Mashat said. ''It doesn't receive our respect.'' But he said, ''We are not scared of it. It will not make any difference. The only thing that makes a difference is negotiating for peace.''

Voting for the resolution were the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain, France, Canada, Colombia, Cote d'Ivoire, Ethiopia, Finland, Malaysia, Zaire and Romania.

The resolution said Iraq has refused to comply with U.N. resolutions ''in flagrant contempt of the council'' and gave Iraq ''one final opportunity, as a pause of goodwill,'' to withdraw the 400,000-plus troops that have occupied Kuwait since Aug. 2.

It ''authorizes member states cooperating with the government of Kuwait, unless Iraq on or before January 15, 1991, fully implements ... the foregoing Resolutions, to use all necessary means to uphold and implement the Security Council Resolution 660 and all subsequent relevant resolutions and to restore international peace and security in the area;

The council requested all states to ''provide appropriate support'' for the actions undertaken to force Iraq to withdraw.

Nine votes are needed to pass a resolution if none of the five permanent members - the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain, China and France - casts a negative vote, which consitutes a veto.

It was the second time the U.NM. authorized use of force. On July 7, 1950, the council voted 7-0, with three abstentions, to allow a multinational force under U.S. command to fight with South Korea against North Korea, which was mostly helped by the new communist regime in Beijing.

The Soviet Union did not participate because it was boycotting the U. N. to protest the fact that the Chinese U.N. seat was occupied by the exiled government in Taipei. The Korean War lasted three years.

Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber called Thursday's meeting a ''landmark of united stand to condemn aggression and to ensure that the future will be ruled by international law.''

Before the vote, Iraq's U.N. Ambassador Abdul Amir Al-Anbari accused the United States of trying to subjugate other countries to the ''American order '' of denying Iraq a peace dialogue and of imposing a ''logic of arrogance and brutality.''

Al-Anbari said the resolution was issued under the ''U.S. hegemony .. . which has shown an arbitrary and biased behavior'' toward Iraq and he repeated his government's demand to link the withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait to the Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

''Middle East's problems cannot be isolated from each other,'' Al- Anbari said.

Yemen's ambassador to the U.N., Abdalla Saleh Al-Ashtal, said his country could not support the resolution, despite voting for previous resolutions calling for an Iraqi withdrawl from Kuwait.

He said the wording of the resolution was ''so broad and vague'' that the use of force would not be limited to just implementing previous resolutions and that it would undermine the democratic process in the gulf region, which has been severely hurt economically by the U.N. trade sanctions.

''We have no alternative to peace,'' Al-Ashtal said.

To win further support for the resolution, Baker met with some of the foreign ministers attending the meeting. He met Wednesday with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and with British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd and Finnish Foreign Minister Pertti Kullervio Passio on Thursday. French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas also consulted Thursday with his Chinese counterpart, Qian Qichen.

The talks involving delegates of the five Security Council permanent members were aimed at maintaining unity among them in dealing with the crisis.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Business services, a typical activity of mid-sized companies, will be the fastest growing industry of the 1990s, while manufacturing is expected to suffer, a national survey said Thursday.

But mid-sized companies in general will weather recessionary conditions in the U.S. economy differently, according to their location and activity.

In the latest of its twice-a-year outlooks for mid-sized companies, American Express Corp. said the New England and mid-Atlantic regions will be hardest hit, while the Pacific Northwest, Pacific Southwest and south Atlantic regions will fare the best during the economic slowdown.

A mid-sized company is defined as having sales ranging from $2 million to $100 million and with 50 to 500 employees. The firms are typically in manufacturing retail or wholesale trade and business or personal services.

Business services include computer and data processing, advertising, legal services, management consulting and equipment leasing.

Computer and data processing is expected to grow by 16 percent a year, the American Express report said.

The wholesale and retail trade sector is expected to fare better than manufacturing - but not as well as the service sector, as free-spending, consumption-oriented baby boomers of the 1980s become middle-aged savers in the 1990s.

The largest decline in retail growth is expected to be tobacco products, American Express said.

The survey also found that a recession will hit economies in 42 states, with only Texas, Florida, Arizona, Nevada, Hawaii, Colorado, Utah and New Mexico expected to escape.

In the Pacific Northwest, Alaska may gain from higher oil prices caused by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. The region is also expected to gain from increased demand for commercial aircraft from Asian countries, while the timber economy will contract with the construction industry.

But the region's service economy is expected to benefit from increased tourism and an influx of retirees.

The Pacific Southwest, dominated by California, is expected to show strong job growth in manufacturing and trade, as well as moderate gains in defense and high-technology employment.

Like the Pacific Northwest, the south Atlantic region will experience strong growth in its service industry to support tourism and a growing population of retirees.

The declining fortunes of the New England and mid-Atlantic regions reflect slumps in defense, real estate and financial services. The weak real estate market will hurt construction and banking, while the slowing economy may force local governments to raise taxes, exacerbating sluggish business conditions, American Express said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - First Boston Corp. said Thursday it formed a subsidiary to provide cellular telephone service in rural areas.

The new operation, called First Cellular Acquisition Corp., will be based in Atlanta and plans to provide capital to holders of cellular licenses in rural areas still not reached by such service, said Earle MacKenzie, president of First Cellular.

''The current licensee would contribute his license and First Cellular would contribute capital and management expertise'' to First Cellular, MacKenzie said.

MacKenzie decline to disclose the projected investment, but said his company is looking for two other investors to match First Boston's contribution.

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#90333u1754 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (NOV. 29) UPI - Argentine Interior Minister Mera Figueroa said Thursday that rumors of a plot to kill President George Bush during his visit to Argentina next week are not true.

Figueroa told reporters Thursday evening the rumors were leaked by ''some state organism'' that he declined to identify and he said President Carlos Menem ''has decided to investigate the origin of the information.''

He said the information was published as a result of ''inexact information that has some grains of truth, that came from a state organization and this is extremely serious.''

The truthful parts of the plot, according to the minister, was that police arrested a Bolivian man, Carlos Monzon, on Nov. 22 for holding ''false documentation.''

Figueroa said Monzon ''is accused of being a member of a terrorist organization'' in Bolivia but that the accusation has not been proven.

''I will wait until the judge in the case hands down his ruling,'' he said.

A reporter for the newspaper Diario Popular, which published the information Thursday, identified his source to United Press International as the Argentine federal police and said the judge in the case, Alberto Duran, confirmed the plot in his written ruling.

Police Commissary Julian Blanco told UPI early Thursday a non- Argentine man was arrested in a suspected plot to kill Bush. The official said the arresting officers were members of the Special Operations Group, the SWAT team of the Province of Buenos Aires.

Asked if it was true that a far left terrorist group was planning to kill Bush Blanco replied, ''This information is correct. I can't deny that our organization is working on this case.''

Bush is to visit Argentina on Dec. 5, the third stop on a five-nation South American tour.

Diario Popular said about 30 Argentine and Chilean left-wing terrorists planned to ambush the president while he visited the Palermo race track.

It said the terrorists were veterans of the unsuccessful 1986 assasination attempt against former Chilean President Augusto Pinochet, now Chile's army commander, and of a bloody, temporary takeover of an Argentine army barracks in January 1989.

Referring to the reported plot, Buenos Aires Province Gov. Antonio Cafiero said, ''Argentina, like any other country in the world, cannot avoid the presence of these tiny sectors that do not have, at least not in the Province of Buenos Aires, any possibility of expansion.''

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#90333u1762 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - World financial markets, fueled by expanding U.S. investment overseas, will ''come of age'' in the next five years, according to a survey of more than 600 international financial executives released Thursday.

Despite growing U.S. internationalization, the study found, New York has been eclipsed by London as the world's financial center, while Frankfurt, Germany, is likely to take on much greater global financial importance.

Financial opinion-makers see eastern and central Europe's transformation from a Marxist backwater to free-market systems as the most important economic trend of the 1990s, upstaging the European Community's 1992 unification plan.

Commissioned by the Sequor Group, a unit of Los Angeles-based bank holding company Security Pacific Corp., the survey found Japanese institutions likely to focus on the emerging Pacific Rim economies in the 1990s.

Suggesting U.S. business leaders' enthusiasm for reform in the Soviet Union will lead to an economic ''super-partnership,'' the report said U. S. corporate involvement in Soviet ventures could double in five years.

Similarly, U.S. companies ''plan a greater proportional increase in investment in Eastern Europe than in any other area of the world,'' the report said, adding that by 1995 three in 10 big American corporations will be active there.

The main theme of the report, though, was that, over the next five years, global financial markets - about which so much was said in the 1980s - will come into their own during first half of the 1990s.

''During the next five years, the international financial market will undergo what is likely to be its most dramatic and significant period of growth in the 20th century,'' the Sequor Group study concluded.

Interviews with 603 top financial officers, money managers and traders of the world's largest banks, insurance companies, pension funds and institutional players of the like, conducted by Louis Harris and Associates Inc. indicated ''the global financial market will come of age'' by 1995.

The study said U.S. investment activity overseas would be a driving factor in this internationalization process. Respondents predicted the share of American securities trading done overseas would triple by 1995.

The study said that more than two-thirds of top U.S. companies plan to issue publicly traded debt abroad by five years from now - double today's level - and that a third of U.S. corporations will issue stock abroad - triple the number that have done so to date.

But U.S. companies and institutions lag behind those of many other nations in their plans for international involvement, the report said.

By 1995, the median percentage of U.S. foreign securities trading is estimated to reach 19 percent, compared with 29 percent for the European Community and Pacific Rim nations such as Taiwan, Thailand and New Zealand.

But Japan was expected to hold at just 18 percent, preferring to focus on its leading trade and investment role in the Pacific Basin, with increased activity expected in Taiwan, South Korea, Thailand, Malaysia, China and New Zealand.

The survey found that London, with a less restrictive regulatory climate, has a ''small, but consistent and enduring,'' edge over New York as the best market in which to raise capital or trade global securities.

''New York, on the other hand, is give much higher grades than its rivals in technology and clearing and settlement,'' the study said, referring to payment in securities deals and transfer of securities ownership.

But London is likely to lose ground over the next five years as the Frankfurt financial market assumes a bigger role following the unification of Germany and the restoration of free markets in Eastern Europe, said the study.

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#90333u1773 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday the basic U. S. money supply, known as M1, rose $3.6 billion in the latest reporting week. The broader monetary aggregate M2 increased $2.7 billion, but the broadest measure of all, M3, decreased $700 million.

M1, including cash, checking accounts and NOW accounts - money available for immediate spending - increased to a seasonally adjusted average of $823.6 billion in the week ended Nov. 19 from a revised $820. 0 billion the week before.

Over the past 13 weeks, M1 averaged $820.7 billion, up 5.2 percent from where it stood over the previous 13-week period, the central bank said.

The more broadly defined M2 averaged an estimated $3,319.0 billion in the latest week, up from a revised $3,316.3 billion. M2 includes M1 plus passbook savings, small time deposits such as money-market deposit accounts, consumer money-market mutual funds and other short-term assets.

M3, defined as M2 plus large time deposits, securities repurchase agreements longer than one day at banks and thrifts and institutional money market funds, averaged $4,083.0 billion in the latest week, down from a revised $4,083.7

billion, the Fed said.

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#90333u1817 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

UPPER SADDLE RIVER, N.J. (NOV. 29) UPI - Western Union Corp. Thursday launched a tender offer for $250 million to $350 million of its outstanding 19 1/4 percent senior secured notes and 16 percent notes after an exchange offer expired.

A group of 12 bondholders has threatened to force Western Union into bankruptcy proceedings if the company does not meet certain conditions in its tender by next week.

The tender follows the expiration of Western Union's exchange offer for up to $530 million of outstanding 19 1/4 percent senior secured notes and 16 percent notes.

The exchange offer, in which the company proposed to issue new notes and common shares in exchange for its notes, expired at midnight Wednesday due to a lack of interest.

The tender announced Thursday will expire at midnight Dec. 27.

Under the tender offer, Western Union would buy a minimum of $250 million and a maximum of $350 million principal amount of its outstanding 19 1/4 percent and 16 percent notes at a cash purchase price of $500 per $1,000 principal amount of notes.

The bondholders, in a letter received Wednesday by Western Union, said they would not consent to amendments of or tender any 19 1/4 percent notes unless certain conditions were met. These include prohibitions on affiliate transactions, limitations on borrowings, and prohibitions on dividends and repurchases of capital stock, were met.

A spokesman for Western Union Thursday had no comment on the bondholders' letter, but referred to a document filed Thursday with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

In the document, Western Union said the proposed amendment to its 19 1/4 percent note indenture includes the conditions listed.

Otherr conditions outlined by bondholders, however, were not addressed in the document.

Western Union said cash required to fund the tender would be obtained from the net proceeds of the pending sale of most of the Western Union business services unit to American Telephone & Telegraph Co.

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#90333u1830 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - The United States should aid the Soviet Union by giving it access to export credits that could be used to buy food, Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter and a key senator said Thursday.

Their statements were the latest in a series of appeals from the agricultural community, which sees Soviet food needs as a sales opportunity that could dampen a downturn in grain exports.

For months, the Bush administration has said the Soviet Union will not qualify for trade assistance programs until it reforms emigration laws. Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev recently asked for Western assistance, saying it would ease the process of economic restructuring.

Reports circulated in Moscow this week that the Soviet capital had only a three- to five-day stock of meat and is short of milk and other food. But city officials and Western diplomats blamed problems with distribution rather than overall shortages.

''We have the tools to take effective action. Denying the Soviet Union access to this program (export credits) ... is tantamount to shooting ourselves in the foot,'' Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., said in a letter to President Bush.

''Our caution may deprive us of the long-term benefits of this huge market.''

A handful of farm-state senators personally asked Bush on Wednesday to approve an offer of credit guarantees. Under them, banks are guaranteed repayment of loans made to finance sales of farm goods.

Meanwhile, Yeutter made the strongest statement yet on the Agriculture Department's interest in export credit sales.

''In my view, we should provide credit guarantees to the Soviet Union,'' Yeutter told reporters. ''I have expressed my views on that for the past several weeks.''

In a speech earlier this week, Yeutter stressed the importance of human rights and said: ''All we can do at this stage is to encourage the Soviet Union to deal with the emigration issue.''

In a monthly report on developments in the export market, an Agriculture Department agency raised the possibility the Kremlin would be unable to satisfy its obligations under the U.S.-Soviet grain agreement unless credit is offered.

''The current level of U.S. export commitments to the (Kremlin) is so low that it is increasingly unlikely that the (Kremlin) will meet minimum purchasing requirments for the October-December'' period, the Foreign Agricultural Service said.

''Without extension of U.S. credit guarantees, it may also be very difficult for the (Soviet Union) to purchase further quantities of U.S. grains during the current marketing year. U.S. grain is no longer competitive with grain sold with credit by other major exporters.''

The grain agreement calls for the Soviets to buy at least 1 million tons of U.S. grain by the end of this year. However, sales have lagged for weeks. A sale of 15,000 metric tons of flour, reported on Tuesday, was the first sale in more than one month.

There have been repeated reports the Soviet Union is strapped for cash to pay for imports.

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#90333u1908 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 29) UPI - President Bush signed into law Thursday an anti-crime bill that was watered down by a Congress unable to reach agreement on the death penalty, appeals by condemned prisoners and gun control.

''I must note my deep disappointment over many provisions noticeably absent from the legislation,'' the president said in a statement.

Bush pushed for an expansion of the death sentence to cover mail bombings and terrorist attacks, and favored a reduction of what he described as seemingly endless appeals by inmates on Death Row.

Although the president opposed a ban on semiautomatic weapons, he requested tougher penalties for criminal use of a firearm. Congress failed to reach an agreement on a ban or on stiffer penalities.

The measure lawmakers passed does raise funding of local law enforcement and federal agencies such as the FBI, increases penalties for child abuse, and provides prison alternatives such as house arrest for some crimes.

It also takes note of the savings and loan crisis with stiffer bank fraud penalties and addresses the continuing drug epidemic with tougher laws for certain offenses.

The president's anti-crime bill was first introduced in May 1989. It became the subject of heavy lobbying by the National Rifle Association and opposing gun control groups and was laced with amendments.

Bush lobbied for the first broad expansion of the federal death penalty since the Supreme Court reinstated capital punishment in 1976 and he supported changes in appeals procedures that would speed executions.

The president said in his statement Thursday, ''Americans have the right to be free from fear in their homes, in their streets and in their neighborhoods'' and called on Congress to pass the rest of his anti- crime package next year.

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#90333u1916 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 29) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said Thursday that his country had no intention of sending troops to the Persian Gulf, but he sternly warned Iraq not to harm Soviet citizens trapped in Iraq.

He was speaking moments after the U.N. Security Council passed an historic resolution allowing the 27 nations with troops in the gulf to force Iraq out of Kuwait if it is still occupying that country in 45 days.

The Soviet Union voted for the resolution along with 11 other countries, including the United States. China abstained. Cuba and Yemen voted against.

''This is a difficult question for our country,'' Shevardnadze said, when asked whether the Soviet Union would join the U.S.-led multinational force assembled in Saudi Arabia. The force also includes troops from France, Britain Canada and several Arab countries.

He said the Supreme Soviet was unlikely to agree to such a move.

Displaying a frankness unimaginable a year ago, he said, ''The memories of Afghanistan and Czechoslovakia are still fresh in the minds of our citizens.''

The Soviet Union invaded Czechoslovakia in 1968 and fought a bloody eight-year war in Afghanistan.

But Shevardnadze said, ''If even one Soviet citizen (in Iraq) is harmed, I cannot say what the consequences would be, but it will be very serious.''

He added that President Mikhail Gorbachev has the right under Soviet law to send troops to protect Soviet citizens and ''may everyone know that.''

The Soviet Union has about 1,000 citizens stuck in Iraq.

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#90333u1918 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 29) UPI - Lockheed Corp.'s board of directors will meet next week to discuss Texas investor Harold Simmons' proposal to take the aerospace giant private in a $1.6 billion deal, the company said Thursday.

Simmons, who has been trying to gain control of Lockheed for nearly two years, recently proposed working with the company to buy about 40 million Lockheed shares at $40 a share, about $10 above the range in which the stock has been trading.

Lockheed stock fell 50 cents Thursday to $30.375 a share on the New York Stock Exchange.

Simmons already owns about 12.5 million shares, or 19.8 percent, while shares owned by the company but not allocated under its Employee Stock Ownership Plan would not have to be obtained.

Under the proposal, Simmons would provide $400 million in cash and about $400 million in assets.

Lockheed already has about $1.3 billion debt on its books. Analysts believe the board, which will meet Monday, is unlikely to approve Simmons' offer, setting the stage for a repetition of last March's proxy fight for control of the company.

Lockheed spokesman Scott Hallman also said that Lockheed Chairman Daniel Tellep plans to ask the board to approve four new board members who are either nominated or ratified by major institutional holders of Lockheed stock.

Tellep had promised at the annual meeting in March to name at least three directors designated by major institutions to the 14-member board.

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#90333u1921 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

REDONDO BEACH, Calif. (NOV. 29) UPI - TRW Inc. may be forced to lay off as many as 300 workers in its classified military programs next year as a result of reduced funding, a spokeswoman said Thursday.

TRW's Space & Defense Sector, which has eliminated 1,600 jobs this year as result of tightened defense spending and laid off about 950 workers, made the disclosure this week in a notice to workers.

The unit, a subsidiary of Cleveland-based TRW told employees it may have to lay off between 200 and 300 workers next year because of funding for secret defense programs had been cut significantly, spokeswoman Julie Wright said.

''The cuts would not take place until next year,'' Wright said.

The TRW unit, which employs about 25,900 workers nationwide, produces satellites and other advanced technology products. Analysts estimate that the federal government spends about $5 billion a year on intelligence satellites.

The TRW unit employs about 15,600 workers at Southern California plants in Redondo Beach and San Bernardino,

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#90333u1975 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 29) UPI - The U-N Security Council is preparing to approve a resolution that will authorize the use of force if Iraq does NOT get out of Kuwait ''on or before January 15th, 1991.''

President Bush says he has NO plans to call Congress back to Washington for a special session on the Persian Gulf crisis. But Bush told a Spanish-language T-V network that he would continue to consult extensively with congressmen.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein reportedly told Arab youths in Baghdad today that his nation has the advanced technology needed to spot American ''stealth'' jets.

President Bush today signed into law an anti-crime bill that makes it easier to combat child pornography, child abuse and bank fraud. He also said that the bill does NOT include one of his major crime-fighting requests... an expansion of the death penalty to such crimes as mail- bombings and terrorist murder.

The president also signed into law a landmark immigration bill that he hailed as the most comprehensive change in 66 years in the way America admits immigrants.

Hundreds of thousands of striking workers in Bulgaria celebrated a victory today with the resignation of Prime Minister Andrei Lukanov .

The federal Centers for Disease Control says the number of AIDS cases in Europe soared 61-point-nine percent between March 1989 and March 1990. It says the largest percentage of the increases occurred in Eastern Europe.

Administration sources say President Bush has selected outgoing Florida Governor Bob Martinez as the nation's new drug czar, succeeding William Bennett. The action had been expected, and the sources say the formal announcement is expected tomorrow.

Federal authorities in Minneapols say eight key members of the so- called ''Corn Bread Mafia'' in Kentucky were arrested today on charges that they conspired to manufacture more than one-thousand kilos of marijuana near New York Mills in Minnesota.

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#90333u2160 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 29) UPI - President Bush says he has NO plans to call Congress back to a special session to deal with the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush told a Spanish-language T-V network that he will continue extensive consultations with congressional leaders- quoting now- ''because it is important that we send a solid signal'' to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein .

Saddam told Arab youths in Baghdad today that Iraq has the advanced technology needed to spot American ''stealth'' jets. The official Iraq News Agency says the Iraqi leader told the youths that- quoting now- ''The American Rambo will be futile on Iraqi territory....''

Saddam released still more Western hostages today... part of an apparent effort to dampen enthusiasm for a U-N Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force against the occupation of Kuwait.

On Capitol Hill, former Navy Secretary James Webb told the Senate Armed Services Committee that if President Bush is serious about taking the offensive against Iraq, he should seek a resumption of the draft. Webb testified at committee hearings on the Persian Gulf crisis that Bush also should ask for a declaration of war. He says the draft will be needed if the United States wants to take on Iraq's one-Million-man army.

The federal Centers for Disease Control says a growing number of young women are contracting AIDS. A spokesman says that by 1991, AIDS will be among the five leading causes of death in women aged 15 through 44. Officials predict that AIDS cases among women will exceed 15- thousand by the end of this year. They say AIDS cases among women are increasing steadily and account for an increasing share of all AIDS cases in the United States.

British Prime Minister John Major appeared in Parliament for the first time since taking on the job, fending off charges that the only woman in his Cabinet is what one opposition legislator called ''the backseat driver''... former Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. Major drew criticism even from within his own Conservative Party... then tonight named Gillian Shephard as a Treasury minister.

Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu hosted a six-hour meeting of black leaders in South Africa today, telling reporters afterward that he was ''amazed'' by the spirit at the session... even though he did NOT draw Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi. Tutu assembled delegates from 10 black homelands or political movements, including Nelson Mandela of the African National Congress.

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#90333u2273 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 29) UPI - The U-N Security Council voted 121 today to authorize the use of force against Iraqi troops in Kuwait if Saddam Hussein does NOT withdraw them by January 15th, 1991. China abstained on the vote, as expected, and Cuba and Yemen voted against it. The Security Council session was presided over by Secretary of State Baker, who said Iraq must realize that- quoting now- ''the just, humane demands of this council and the international community canNOT be ignored.''

Baker had continued his lobbying campaign for the resolution virtually up to the minute the discussion began. Baker said that if Iraq does NOT get out of Kuwait, other ''necessary measures- including the use of force- should be authorized.'' Baker called on the council to give Saddam a choice in what he called ''unmistakable terms.''

Shortly before the Security Council opened its discussion, Saddam told Arab youths in Baghdad that Iraq has the advanced technology needed to spot American ''stealth'' fighter-bombers. Saddam also ordered the release of more Western hostages today. Sweden says Saddam ordered the release of 56 Swedes being held in Iraq and Kuwait. And an unofficial delegation of Italian pacifists returned to Rome with 68 hostages and told reporters that Saddam is ready to talk with anyone.

Scientists report that they have genetically engineered rats with a disease similar to a form of human arthritis... a step that could find the cause and improve the treatment of the disabling illness. One scientist describes the findings as ''startling'' and ''significant.'' The research has created a new model for scientists researching a form of arthritis. Previously, experiments had to be done in mice with symptoms that were NOT close to those found in humans. The report says that because the disease spreads so rapidly in the genetically engineered rats, scientists said they think arthritis is largely caused by heredity, NOT environmental factors.

Scientists today linked an inherited genetic defect to a rare cancer syndrome... a step that may help detect people at risk for the syndrome and shed light on the genetic basis of more common cancers. Only about 100 families world-wide are known to suffer from Li-Fraumeni Syndrome, which renders them highly susceptible to breast cancer... various childhood cancers... brain tumors... bone cancer, and leukemia. In a study of four families with the syndrome, a team of cancer researchers identified the genetic culprit as a defective gene known as P-53. When healthy, the gene carries instructions for production of a protein known to suppress tumor growth.

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#90333u2413 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 29) UPI - For the first time since July of 1950, the United Nations Security Council has endorsed the use of military power. The council today

approved a resolution authorizing the use of force if Iraq does NOT withdraw from Kuwait by January 15th. The margin was 12-2... with China abstaining and Cuba and Yemeni voting against the measure.

President Bush applauded the Security Council vote... saying he thinks the resolution will finally convince Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''that he's got to get out of Kuwait.'' Before the vote, Saddam said his country is NOT ''panicked'' at the thought of force and would fight ''ferociously'' in the event of war.

In Baghdad, the Iraqi News Agency INA quotes Saddam as saying his country has the technology to detect America's most sophisticated aircraft, the Stealth bomber. Saddam reportedly told Arab youths in Baghdad that with Iraqi technology the United States' ''ghost'' bomber can be seen ''even by the shepherds in the desert.'' According to the news agency, Saddam says the Stealth will be ''futile on Iraqi territory'' and he threatened to bring it down- quote- ''like any other hostile plane.''

American motorists will have to dig deeper into their pockets when they go to the gas pump, starting Saturday. That's when the federal tax on gas goes up an additional five cents a gallon... increasing from nine cents to 14 cents a gallon on unleaded fuel and 15 cents to 20 cents on diesel. The gas tax hike is part of the 1991 budget deal worked out last month between the Bush administration and Congress.

Arizona Senator Dennis DeConcini was singled out again today for ''negotiating on behalf'' of alleged savings and loan kingpin Michael Keating Junior. DeConcini is one of the so-called Keating Five senators being investigated by the Senate ethics committee for allegations of influence-peddling. San Francisco banking regulator Michael Patriarca is the second person in as many days to point a finger at DeConcini during a 1987 meeting crucial to accusations of improper pressure on regulators in the case against the senators.

The New York Daily News and its owner, the Tribune Company of Chicago, have filed a 600-Million-dollar racketeering suit against the paper's striking unions. The 113-page suit was filed in U-S District Court in Manhattan today. It charges 23 striking drivers, one union and the group representing all strikers with conducting ''a campaign of terror'' against replacement workers and newsstand owners. Among the charges in the suit are attempted murder, arson, extortion and robbery.

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#90333u2646 11/29/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 29) UPI - The United States got its wish today. The U-N Security Council approved a resolution authorizing force to remove Iraqi troops from Kuwait if Baghdad doesn't leave on its own by January 15th. It's the first

time the council has authorized force since the Korean War.

Secretary of State Baker says the presence of 13 foreign ministers in today's council session was a testimony to the seriousness of the Persian Gulf crisis. He joined his Soviet, British and French counterparts in calling for renewed diplomacy to persuade Iraq to withdraw.

In Washington, President Bush called the U-N resolution ''a very powerful statement.'' Bush said- quote- ''Everybody wants a peaceful resolution. I think this would drive home the point to that he's got to get out of Kuwait.''

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At Cape Canavera, Florida, NASA's big countdown clock is ticking toward Sunday's predawn launch of the space shuttle Columbia. The launch will kick off an astronomy flight that was delayed six months by crippling fuel leaks.

Officials in the Soviet capital say food shortages are critical. Moscow reportedly has only a three- to five-day stock of meat and is short of milk and other food. But officials blame problems with distribution rather than overall shortages.

Former Texas Senator John Tower says in his upcoming memoirs that President Reagan appeared to go along with the Iran-Contra scandal cover-up. Tower says in published excerpts that he was shocked by some of Reagan's testimony before the Tower Commission.

The federal Centers for Disease Control says AIDS is expected to be a major cause of death in young women by next year. Officials say a growing number of young women are contracting AIDS and by 1991 it will be among the five leading causes of death in women ages 15 through 44,

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#90333u2726 11/29/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 29) UPI - The U-N Security Council today authorized the possible use of force against Iraq. The council voted 121 for resolution 678 approving war if needed to remove Iraqi troops from Kuwait if they don't leave voluntarily by January 15th. It's the first such authorization since the Korean War. Cuba and Yemen voted against the resolution and China abstained. China's foreign minister says he didn't vote because his country opposes war in the Middle East.

Iraq's ambassador called the U-N resolution ''scandalous and shameful'' and he declared- quoting- ''We are not scared of it. It will not make any difference.'' The Iraqi official also criticized the resolution as ''selective '' noting the U-N has not imposed sanctions against Israel for its occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip. But he added- ''The only thing that makes a

difference is negotiating for peace.''

British Prime Minister John Major made his first appearance before Parliament today since he took office two days ago. Major fended off charges that the only woman in his Cabinet is- quote- ''the backseat driver,'' former Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. But Major was congratulated on his appointment, and warm greetings were offered to Thatcher as she took her seat on the backbenches for the first time in 29 years.

In Scotland, a transportation department official says Pan Am's confusion over British aviation security rules was a factor in the terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 nearly two years ago. The plane blew up over Lockerbie, Scotland killing 270 people. The official says that because of the confusion Pan Am was unable to match passengers with baggage... a precaution intended to thwart terrorists from slipping bombs onto aircraft. He says the breach of regulations went on for a year or more.

President Bush today challenged every young person in America to serve their community. Bush and first lady Barbara were joined at the White House by the Beach Boys, singer Tiffany and other celebrities in recognizing a group called StarServe, which encourages young people to get involved in community service. Bush said if young people learn at an early age to serve those in need, it will become a way of life.

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WOODSTOCK, VT (NOV. 29) UPI - New England Ski Areas Council official summary of snow conditions at New England ski areas as of 7 a.m. Nov. 29, 1990.

Skiing conditions are subject to change due to weather, skier traffic, and other factors. Be aware of changing conditions.

Legend: new-inches of new snow snowfall ending in last 24 hours, pdr-powder snow, pp-packed powder, wet gr-wet granular, lsgr-loose granular, frgr-frozen granular, corn-corn snow, mgs-machine groomed surface (where two such terms appear, the former shows conditions on 70 percent or more terrain, and the latter the next-most-prevalent condition) vc-variable conditions, sc-spring conditions xx of 00 trails-number of trails open, sm-snow made in last 24 hours, tc-thin cover, wbln-windblown snow, var-variable, ns-night skiing available, no-not operating, opr-operating.

Maine

Sugarloaf/usa new wetsn /lsgr 6- 40 base 5 trails 2 lifts

Sunday River new wetgr /wetsn 8- 30 base 13 trails 4 lifts

New Hampshire

Loon Mountain new wetgr / 6- 12 base 1 trails 1 lifts

Waterville Vly new lsgr / 7- 14 base 3 trails 3 lifts

Wildcat Mtn new wetsn /wetgr 10- 16 base 3 trails 2 lifts

New York

Belleayre new lsgr / 0- 15 base 1 trails 1 lifts

Gore Mountain new vc / 0- 32 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

Hunter Mountain new lsgr /vc 3- 40 base 9 trails 5 lifts

Ski Windham new wetgr / 6- 21 base 6 trails 3 lifts

Whiteface new wetgr /vc 0- 30 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

Vermont

Bolton Valley new wetgr / 6- 18 base 2 trails 2 lifts

Bromley Mtn new wetgr / 4- 20 base 3 trails 3 lifts

Jay Peak new wetgr /lsgr 0- 18 base 1 trails 1 lifts

Killington new wetgr / 12- 24 base 10 trails 4 lifts

Magic Mountain new lsgr /frgr 8- 12 base 2 trails 1 lifts

Mt. Snow new wetgr / 12- 24 base 11 trails 4 lifts

Okemo Mountain new lsgr / 12- 18 base 13 trails 3 lifts

Pico new lsgr / 4- 14 base 4 trails 3 lifts

Smugglers Notch new wetgr / 0- 24 base 4 trails 1 lifts

Stowe new lsgr / 4- 24 base 1 trails 1 lifts

Stratton Mtn new wetgr / 14- 17 base 4 trails 4 lifts

Sugarbush new wetgr / 8- 36 base 6 trails 3 lifts sm

New England winter sports outlook: Today mostly cloudy, much colder, a chance of showers. Snow flurries possible over Vermont this afternoon. Temperature

dropping into the 30s north and 40s south. Tonight lows mostly in 20s, except in teens northern Vermont and in lower 30s south. Friday partly to mostly sunny and cold. Highs from mid 20 north to near 40 southern.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 29) UPI - Standard & Poor's said Thursday that it placed the triple-C-plus rating on R.H. Macy & Co.'s subordinated debt on CreditWatch with negative implications. About $2.5 billion of debt is affected.

The credit-rating agency said the move, meaning it may downgrade the rating later, ''reflects continuing weak retail operations in the context of the company's highly leveraged capital structure.''

The well-known retailer is saddled with more than $5 billion in debt as a result of undergoing a 1986 leveraged buyout and acquiring the Bullock's and I. Magnin chains in 1988.

Macy's performance over the last several quarters has been ''substantially below'' expectations, due in part to the deterioration in the retail environment, S&P said.

''Further weakness could jeopardize relations with its banks and the trade,'' S&P's added.

The agency said the retailer's debt-service burden is likely to remain heavy despite being able to buy debt at a steep discount as a result of $100 million in proceeds from the planned sale of Macy Credit Corp. and $150 million expected from equity infusions.

''Although Macy's liquidity should be adequate to meet short-term debt amortization schedules, longer-term funding of principal and interest payments along with capital requirements, will be impossible without a rebound in the business or a restructuring of Macy's balance sheet,'' S&P's said.

According to S&P, ratings of single-B on senior debt and triple-C- plus onsubordinated debt of R.H. Macy Credit Corp. and R.H. Macy Overseas Finance N.V. remain on CreditWatch with positive implications, meaning upgrades are possible. They were placed on CreditWatch Oct. 22 as a result of the planned sale of the credit subsidiaries to triple-A rated General Electric Capital Corp.

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TOLEDO, OH (NOV. 29) UPI - The lip-syncing duo Milli Vanilli, which lost its Grammy Award for faking its songs, was charged with consumer fraud in a suit

filed by a radio station that sponsored one of its concerts.

Maumee radio station WRQN claimed the duo defrauded it and its listeners by not performing live music during a concert this spring.

Air personality Diane Scribner said Thursday WRQN filed the suit, asking the Lucas County Common Pleas Court to award $200 damages for each person who attended the performance and $500,000 in punitive damages. The station claims the group and its management firm violated Ohio's consumer protection laws.

In addition to duo members Rob Pilatus and Fab Morvan, the suit filed Wednesday also named as defendants the duo's producer, Frank Farian and their label, Arista Records.

Arista Records in Beverly Hills, Calif., deferred comment to its New York office, but attempts to reach a spokesman there were unsuccessful.

Scribner said it was up to the record companies to ensure that musical acts were genuine.

Milli Vanilli's troubles began when its producer admitted the two performers never sang a note in concert. The two were stripped of a Grammy Award for best new artist for the song ''Girl You Know Its True,'' which sold 7 million copies.

Scribner said the suit also seeks an injunction that would prevent the group from performing in the future.

Listeners' reaction to the group's loss of the Grammy Award and the station's subsequent dropping them from the play list has been mixed Scribner said. While older listeners applauded the move, younger listeners still want to hear the songs, she said.

''We have gotten a couple of calls from younger listeners saying they didn't care,'' she said.

Another Toledo radio station had dismissed the group as a fraud in April shortly before the Toledo concert. WIOT staged a ''Bury Milli Vanilli'' event by breaking the duo's records and using them for pothole filler in its parking lot.

''We were the first people to really speak out against them,'' said spokeswoman Cara Sabin.

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SAN JOSE, CA (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Madge Networks announced that it has

licensed its FASTMAC TM technology to cisco Systems Inc. (NASDAQ/OTC:CSCO) (Menlo Park, Calif.)

In addition to sharing technology, Madge and cisco will jointly market their products in select strategic accounts. Financial terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Madge's FASTMAC software, a sophisticated data buffering and data transfer program, improves the performance of the Texas Instruments' token ring chipset by more than 400 percent.

cisco Systems, the recognized market leader in the area of high-performance routers and associated network management software, will incorporate Madge's FASTMAC technology in its full line of token ring routers.

Founded in 1984, cisco Systems Inc. is the leading supplier of high performance, multimedia and multiprotocol internetworking products, including routers, bridges and terminal servers. Cisco technology can be used to build wide-area networks linking an unlimited number of geographically dispersed LANs.

Madge Networks is a leading supplier of IBM-compatible token ring network hardware and software in the United States, Europe and Japan. The company's products include a full line of token ring adapters for ISA, EISA and Micro Channel buses, a Repeater, 8-Station Ringhub, Local Ringhub and token ring management software.

As the developer of the first independent NETBIOS protocol stack, Madge has played a key role in the development of token ring software for companies such as Microsoft and Data General. Based in the U.K., Madge's North American headquarters are in San Jose, Calif.

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Jeff Paine, 415/326-1941
or
Madge Networks Inc., San Jose
Ed Murray, 408/441-1300

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The Atlantic Recording Corp. announced Friday that Doug Morris has been appointed co-chairman and co-chief executive officer.

Morris, who was the label's president and chief operating officer, will continue to work alongside Atlantic founder, co-chairman and co-chief executive officer, Ahmet M. Ertegun, who said: ''It gives me great pleasure

to welcome Doug Morris as my co-chairman. We have worked as close partners for many years and this makes it official.''

Robert J. Morgado, Time Warner's senior executive responsible for the Warner Music Group stated, ''Atlantic Records has played a major role in the recent strong growth of the Warner Music Group, and we are extremely fortunate to have the leadership provided by Ahmet and Doug. Their partnership ensures a wonderful future for Atlantic.''

Doug Morris has deep roots in the music industry, having started his career as a songwriter and singer. Shortly after his graduation from Columbia University, Morris became a staff songwriter for the music publisher, Robert Mellin Inc. In 1965 he joined Laurie Records, where he began as a writer and producer and ultimately was named vice president and general manager.

Morris left Laurie Records in 1970 to start his own label, Big Tree Records. Big Tree marked his first formal association with Atlantic Records, which distributed Big Tree's releases. Big Tree was purchased by Atlantic in 1978, and in short order Morris became president of Atlantic's ATCO Records. In 1980, Morris was named president of Atlantic Records, and in 1989 he assumed the additional position of chief operating officer for the Atlantic Recording Corp.

The Atlantic Recording Corp. is a subsidiary of the Warner Music Group, a wholly owned division of Time Warner Inc.

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Patti Conte, 212/484-7317

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of N-W Group Inc. (NASDAQ:NWGI) Friday elected Clarke H. Bailey as president, chief executive officer and director, and Stephen A. McConnell was elected vice chairman.

Bailey was managing director and head of the principal investments department of Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. and is a director of Pulse Engineering Inc.

Louis Marx Jr. was elected a director. Marx is chairman of the executive committee of Noel Group Inc. and a director of the Forschner Group Inc.

Barry Gray was elected a director at a meeting held last month. Gray is vice president of A. C. Israel Enterprises Inc.

N-W also announced it is moving its corporate headquarters from Phoenix to the New York area early next year.

N-W Group Inc. is engaged in pipeline construction and other investments.

CONTACT: N-W Group Inc., White Plains
Jay Abramson, 212/838-3830

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The Kushner-Locke Company (NASDAQ:KLOC) has received an initial 13-week order from CBS Television to produce ''Barbara DeAngelis,'' a new daily half-hour morning talk series, hosted by the popular counseling therapist, author, and television and radio therapist, set to premiere on Monday, Jan. 14 (10-10:30 a.m. EST; 9-9:30 a.m. PST), it was announced Friday by Kushner-Locke co-chairmen Peter Locke and Donald Kushner.

With her new series, to be taped before a live audience, Dr. DeAngelis will not attempt to solve problems, but to illuminate situations and, it is hoped, provide guidance that can make a difference in people's lives. There will be occasional celebrity guests, and participation by the studio audience.

''We are delighted that Barbara DeAngelis will bring her exceptional talents to CBS,'' said Lucy Johnson, vice president, daytime programs, CBS Entertainment. ''The series will go beyond today's talk shows: it was developed specially for her ability to present practical, helpful information with vitality, humor and professional expertise.''

DeAngelis is the author of a No. 1 best-selling book, ''How To Make Love All The Time,'' and the newly released ''Secrets About Men Every Woman Should Know.'' Her articles appear in numerous national magazines, and she has recently become a contributing editor to Redbook.

She teaches and lectures extensively, and is the creator of ''Making Love Work '' a popular relationships seminar. She moderates a popular call-in radio talk show on KFI Los Angeles radio, the station's top-rated program, and has appeared on hundreds of local and national television talk shows.

She appeared for two years on CNN as their ''Newsnight'' therapist, and for a year as KABC-TV's human relations correspondent in Los Angeles.

''Barbara DeAngelis'' is a Kushner-Locke Production in association with 100% Productions, a DeAngelis/Sams Company. David Sams is executive producing the project with Peter Locke and Donald Kushner.

The Kushner-Locke Company is a publicly traded television production and distribution company providing programming for pay cable services, first-run syndication and the major television networks.

CONTACT: Hanson & Schwam Public Relations, Los Angeles
Michael Druxman, 213/557-1199

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DENVER (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Random Access Inc. (NASDAQ:RNDM), the Rocky Mountain Region's largest microcomputer reseller, Friday announced record revenue and a sixth consecutive profitable year for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Revenue advanced 64 percent to $36 million compared to revenue of $22 million in the prior year. Net income for the year was $338,000, or 7 cents per share compared to $484,000, or 11 cents per share, last year.

Earnings per share for the year would be 13 cents assuming the 2 million shares placed in escrow by Random Chief Executive Officer Bruce Milliken subsequent to fiscal year end were deducted from the total number of outstanding shares used in the calculation.

The escrowed shares may be returned to Milliken only if Random meets certain earnings requirements over a five-year period. Future financial statements will contain a line item showing primary earnings per share in addition to fully diluted earnings per share. The primary calculation deducts from the total outstanding shares the number of Milliken's shares still in escrow.

Bruce Milliken, chief executive officer of Random Access, said the increase in revenue for the year was attributable to growing market acceptance of Random's value-added approach to computer sales.

He said the decrease in net income was due to significant investments made during the second half of fiscal 1990 in preparation for servicing a large new contract with US WEST as well as other growth opportunities expected in the new fiscal year.

During fiscal 1990, US WEST, the $25 billion communications company, named Random to be the primary supplier of microcomputer hardware and peripherals to US WEST's 14-state region.

Random was also recognized by ''Inc. Magazine'' as being the 15th fastest growing small public company in the United States. The company is the sales volume leader among the more than 500 affiliates in the Connecting Point of America network, which is one of the largest computer reseller networks in the United States.

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Pfeiffer Public Relations, Denver
Jay Pfeiffer, 303/623-1169

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STAMFORD, CONN. (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Citizens Utilities' (NASDAQ:CITUA/CITUB) shareholders Friday approved an amendment to Citizens' certificate of incorporation increasing the authorized shares of its Series A and Series B common stock and authorizing a new class of preferred stock.

A portion of the additional authorized Series B common stock will permit Citizens to complete its acquisition of Louisiana General Services Inc., whose shareholders Friday approved the merger of Louisiana General into Citizens.

In the merger each share of Louisiana General common stock will be converted into between 0.6719 and 0.8 shares of Citizens' Series B common stock, the fraction being based on the average price of shares of Citizens' Series B common stock as determined under the Merger Agreement. It is expected that the merger will be completed next week.

Citizens Utilities is a diversified operating public utility providing telecommunications, electric, gas, water and wastewater services to more than 500,000 consumer connections in 12 states: Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Nevada, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Utah and Vermont.

Louisiana General Services is principally engaged in residential, commercial and industrial gas operations in Louisiana.

CONTACT: Citizens Utilities Co., Stamford
Jeanette H. Clonan, 203/329-5090

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LONG BEACH, CALIF (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Jack J. Schoustra, chairman and chief executive officer of The Earth Technology Corp. (USA) (NASDAQ:ETCO), Friday announced that as a result of declining economic conditions in the Northeastern United States which has significantly impacted the company's asbestos consulting practice, the company will experience an operating loss for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

The loss is expected to be approximately 6 cents per share, for the period ending Nov. 30, 1990.

Schoustra indicated that although operating costs have been significantly reduced in the asbestos segment of the business, it was not enough to offset the decline in this portion of the company's bsuiness.

At the same time, the company experienced some softening in its commercial waste management market. He estimated that the weakness in the asbestos consulting portion of the business will continue for the next several months.

The Earth Technology Corp. is a 20-year-old technical services consulting organization specializing in the analysis of complex environmental and engineering problems for government and private industry.

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Wells Fargo & Co. will close the purchase of the first phase of Great American Bank's California branches Saturday, Dec. 1, 1990.

Phase one includes 92 Great American branches in San Diego, Riverside and Orange counties with total deposits of approximately $4.4 billion and approximately $4.0 billion of assets, reflecting a purchase price of approximately $.4 billion, subject to certain adjustments.

Also, Wells Fargo will acquire mortgage servicing rights on approximately $7 billion of single-family mortgages and will assume responsibility for Great American's data center in National City, Calif.

Great American has 130 retail branches throughout the state with $6.3 billion in deposits. Branches extend from San Diego to Sonoma County in Northern California.

Although no assurance can be given that the second phase of the acquisition will be completed, it is expected to occur in 1991 and will include the remainder of the branches, deposits and assets that comprise substantially all Great American's California operations.

In San Diego County, Wells Fargo is retaining 90 percent of Great American's branches, a total of 57 offices out of 64. Combined with 20 Wells Fargo offices the bank is retaining (out of 26), the Great American branches will boost Wells Fargo's total offices in San Diego County to 77.

After Jan. 19, 1991, the Great American branches will offer the longest weekday and Saturday hours of any major bank or savings and loan (9 a.m. - 6 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturdays), 24-hour person-to-person telephone service and access to more than 1,500 Wells Fargo ATMs statewide.

CONTACT: Wells Fargo & Co., San Francisco, Kim Kellog, 415/396-3070

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WICHITA, Kan. (NOV 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Lodgistix reported a net loss of $1.035 million, or 17 cents per share, on total revenue of $2.1 million as compared to net income of $0.253 million, or 4 cents per share, on total revenue of $5.3 million for the prior year.

The shortfall of approximately 61 percent in total revenue for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 compared to the prior year was the primary contributor to the resulting net loss. System contracts were abnormally slow during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 as well as in the first two months of the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

This led to significantly lower systems installations in the first quarter of fiscal 1991. In addition, prior year revenues included funds (approximately 13 percent) provided by a vendor to offset certain product transition costs incurred with the development of the Lodgistix LANmark property management system.

Additional reductions in staffing levels, office space requirements, and associated costs occurred effective during the month of September 1990 and therefore had a minimal impact on expenses during the first fiscal quarter. The reductions however will begin to decrease those expense categories thereafter.

Lodgistix is the hotel industry's leading developer of automated property management systems with over 1,600 worldwide installation sites since 1978.
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Lodgistix Financial Highlights
Three Months Ended

	9/30/90	9/30/89
Revenues	$ 2,060,000	$ 5,320,000
Income/(loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	$ (1,035,000)	$ 253,000
Net income/(loss)	$ (1,035,000)	$ 253,000
Per share:		
Income/(loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	$ (.17)	$ .03
Net income/(loss)	$ (.17)	$ .03
Average no. shares	6,130,224	6,065,078

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CONTACT: Lodgistix, Wichita James W. Lew, 316/685-2216

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REDWOOD CITY, CALIF (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Graphtec Precision Image Corp. has promoted Paul Busse from executive vice president to president to fill a position left by the recent exit of former President Gary Hughes.

Busse first joined Graphtec Precision Image in June 1988. His prior responsibilities included the management of manufacturing, research and development, financial operations, and administration.

Busse has held senior financial, administrative and operations positions at several high technology companies before joining Graphtec Precision Image Corp. He holds a bachelor's degree from Valparaiso University, a master's degree in business administration from Northwestern University and a CPA certificate.

Graphtec Precision Image electrostatic plotters produce monochrome and full color D- or E-size drawings from any mainframe, mini- or microcomputer. They support most hardware interfaces including RS-232-C, Centronics, IBM 3211 Printer emulation, SNA, Ethernet, and DECnet.

The plotters are also software-compatible with Versaplot, CalComp (ISDP), HP-GL, CGI, and CGM (ANSI/ISO). Graphtec Precision Image produces the markets's highest accuracy plotters (0.05 percent) to address the demanding plotting requirements of the mapping, electronics, mechanical, architectural, and engineering markets.

In addition to its electrostatic plotter line, Graphtec Precision Image recently introduced the TM1110 thermal plotter producing D-size monochrome drawings with the market's only 406-dpi, single-unit writing head. The TM1110 produces direct thermal, thermal transfer, and clear film output with black and grey line imaging. Markets for the TM1110 thermal plotter include geophysical, mechanical, and architectural.

Graphtec Precision Image has headquarters in Redwood City. The company has a broad installed base of customers in the United States, Canada, Europe, Japan and the Pacific Rim. Graphtec Precision Image maintains sales and service offices worldwide.

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REDWOOD CITY, CALIF (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Precision Image Corp.'s

shareholders have recently voted to change the company's name to Graphtec Precision Image Corp. reflecting the company's closer relationship with Graphtec Corp.

Graphtec is a multinational company that manufactures and distributes a complete line of plotters, graphics engineering equipment and instrumentation products throughout the world.

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CYPRESS, CALIF (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Nakamichi Peripherals Corp. announced Friday the formation of Trace Mountain Products Inc.

On Nov. 19, the merger of Media Division Corp., previously known as the Media Technology Division of Mountain Computer Inc. and Trace Products was consummated, resulting in the formation of Trace Mountain Products Inc.

The new corporation, known as Trace Mountain, will be privately owned by a subsidiary of Nakamichi Peripherals Corp., Nikko Capital Co. Ltd., and certain private investors who were shareholders, officers or directors of Trace Products.

Yas Yamazaki, president of Nakamichi Peripherals Corp., has been named chairman of the board. Dennis McDonnell, previously president of Trace Products, has been named president and chief executive officer, and Ken Burke, formerly general manager of Media Division Corp., has been named executive vice president.

Trace Mountain Products Inc. specializes in developing, manufacturing and distributing diskette and tape duplication equipment and diskette certification equipment as well as optical storage media certification equipment.

CONTACT: Trace Mountain Products Inc., San Jose, Sandra Wright, 408/435-7800 or Nakamichi Peripherals, Cypress, Tammy Idol, 714/373-9979

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KANSAS CITY, MO (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - On Nov. 30 the board of directors of Kansas City Southern Industries Inc. declared a 27 cent quarterly dividend on the company's outstanding common stock.

The dividend will be payable on Dec. 31, 1990 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 11, 1990.

The board of directors also declared a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the outstanding preferred stock of Kansas City Southern Industries Inc. payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to preferred stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 28, 1990.

Kansas City Southern Industries Inc. Friday announced that Nicholas H. Wheless Jr. retired as a director effective Nov. 30, 1990. Wheless, age 74, has served as a director since 1973. He was a member of the Compensation and Organization Committee and the executive committee. Wheless of Shreveport, La. serves as chairman of the board of Wheless Industries Inc.

Wheless also served as a director of The Kansas City Southern Railway Co. and the Louisiana & Arkansas Railway Co. from 1973 to 1982.

KCSI has benefitted from the many contributions of Wheless as a director. His executive and business experience and knowledge of the energy business as well as his familiarity of the business and market environment of Northeast Louisiana and East Texas have been valued by both management and the board.

''His colleagues wish him well on his retirement,'' said Landon H. Rowland, president and chief executive officer.

KCSI also announced Friday the acceptance of the resignation of William N. Deramus IV as a director of KCSI and all subsidiaries and affiliated companies. Deramus had served as a director of DST Systems Inc. and The Kansas City Southern Railway Co. and the Louisiana & Arkansas Railway Co.

The board of directors elected Edward A. Allinson and Paul F. Balser to the board of directors to fill the vacancies created by the retirement of Wheless and the resignation of Deramus.

Allinson, age 55, of Boston, is executive vice president of State Street Bank and Trust Co. and chairman of the board of directors and chief executive officer of Boston Financial Data Services Inc.

CONTACT: Kansas City Southern Industries Inc., Kansas City Landon H. Rowland or Albert P. Mauro, 816/556-0490

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GRANDVIEW, MO (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - North American Savings Bank has received approval from the Office of Thrift Supervision and the State of Missouri to purchase the four-branch Kansas City area operations of United Postal Savings. The agreement was sought by both associations and is viewed as mutually beneficial. It will allow both associations to expand and concentrate on the their respective home markets.

The agreement calls for the transfer of approximately $83 million in deposits by Dec. 31, 1990. Michael R. Hoefer, president of North American, said, ''The United Postal customers will not experience any loss in service since three of the four offices (10129 State Line Rd., 11221 E. 23rd St. and 7101 N. Oak Trafficway) will reopen on the following business day as offices of North American Savings Bank.

Accounts from the Park Plaza office at 6500 N.W. Prairie View Rd. will be transferred to the Gladstone office at 7101 N. Oak Trafficway.''

United Postal, with assets of approximately $1.4 billion, serves the St. Louis market through 22 branch offices.

North American Savings Bank currently operates nine branches in the Kansas

City and northwest Missouri areas and has approximately $398 million in assets.

The bank's stock is traded through NASDAQ under the symbol ''NASB.''

CONTACT: North American Savings Bank, Grandview Michael R. Hoefer, 816/765-2200 or United Postal Savings, St. LouisRobert F. Gorman, 314/966-2530

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IRVINE, CALIF (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Diceon Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ:DICN) announced that it had received an unsolicited, unfinanced and conditional offer from Calvary Partners L.P.

The company announced that, consistent with its duties under applicable law, the board of directors will meet and respond.

CONTACT: Diceon Electronics, Irvine, Peter Jonas, 818/341-4000 Ext. 311

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - TeleQuest Inc. Friday announced it had executed a general assignment for the benefit of creditors with San Diego Wholesale Credit Association as assignee and, as of Friday, Nov. 30, the assets of TeleQuest would be managed by the assignee.

TeleQuest's major shareholder, Teletech International Holdings Ltd., which was providing the majority of the company's financing and supplying the majority of the company's products, had been acquired in an unfriendly takeover by Swilynn International Holdings Ltd. in August 1990.

Recently, the company has been informed by Teletech and Swilynn that Teletech is refocusing its attention on its audio and video business and is discontinuing its interest in the telecommunications business. The company was also informed by Teletech and Swilynn that the company would not receive any additional financial support from Teletech.

The company has been unsuccessful in finding additional or alternative financial support and, as a result, the TeleQuest board of directors voted to discontinue operations and liquidate the assets of the company.

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HENDERSON, KY. (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Farmers Bank & Trust Co. of

Henderson has acquired $21 million in core deposits and selected assets of Henderson Home Savings and Loan Association, F.A., from the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC).

The RTC is the government agency charged with managing insolvent thrift institutions.

The acquisition is a purchase and assumption transaction with purchased loans and other assets being subject to liberal putback rights. Any loans or assets not purchased by Farmers Bank & Trust Co. will be retained by the Resolution Trust Corp., which is the receiver for Henderson Home Savings & Loan.

Farmers Bank & Trust Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Pete Lambert says: ''Our bank is pleased to help the U.S. government resolve this local savings and loan situation. This acquisition allows us to expand our customer base in Henderson, and at the same time, provide continuity of financial service to thousands of local citizens.''

In the next seven days, Henderson Home Savings and Loan customers will be receiving letters from Farmers Bank regarding their individual accounts. The Henderson Home Savings & Loan office at Third and Elm Streets has been closed. Customers should now transact all business at Farmers Bank, which has a nearby downtown office.

Acquisition of the failed S & L will bring Farmers Bank & Trust assets to approximately $140 million. Farmers Bank recently became an affiliate of Old National Bancorp (NASDAQ:OLDB) , a regional bank holding company headquartered in Evansville, Ind. Farmers is the largest bank in Henderson County, operating three full service offices and two free standing automated teller machines.

CONTACT: Old National Bancorp., Evansville Steve Parker, 812/464-1266 (financial) or Susan Rosenberg, 812/464-1442 (other)

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MOORPARK, CALIF (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Terminal Data Corp. (TDC) (NASDAQ:TERM) Friday reported that sales for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $21,455,000, compared with $22.23 million in 1989, a decline of 3 percent.

The company had a net loss for the year of $3,325,000, or 73 cents per share, compared with a loss of $2,299,000, or 50 cents per share, for the previous year.

The loss for the fourth quarter of 1990 was $1,533,000, or 34 cents per share, compared with earnings of $7,000, or 0 cents per share, in 1989. Sales for

the fourth quarter were $5,246,000, down 11 percent from the $5,910,000 reported in the comparable prior year's period.

Jeffrey Wilson, president and chief executive officer of Terminal Data said that the 1990 fourth quarter was affected by non-recurring expenses related to the company's restructuring efforts. These included discontinuance of the DocuScan 1250 document scanner and the writedown of certain equipment and tooling, which is no longer required or in service.

Wilson added, ''While the DocuScan 1250 proved to be reliable and rugged in the life cycle testing and enjoys a price performance ratio favorable to current competition, TDC is not currently willing to invest the necessary resources to promote and distribute the product, since these resources would have to be diverted from TDC's core products.''

''TDC will focus on its core micrographic and document imaging products to return the company to profitability,'' said Wilson. ''The combination of TDC's outstanding customer base, technology leadership and renewed focus on sales and marketing, is expected to create shareholder value.''

Wilson also announced the appointment of Tony W. Loigu as vice president of sales and marketing. Loigu comes to TDC with extensive and successful experience in the micrographics and document image processing field. He was most recently vice president with Optigraphics Corp., after several years with Intergraph Corp. and Unisys.

Wilson added that Loigu's background and experience will make him an invaluable addition to TDC's new management team.

Terminal Data, with headquarters in Moorpark, is a supplier of quality, high-value document image capture products and services in specialized, growing markets.

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PHOENIX (DEC. 2) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America Arizona announced Friday that it has agreed with the Resolution Trust Corp. to act as agent for the insured deposits of Sun State Savings and Loan Association.

Headquartered in Phoenix, Sun State has three branches in Phoenix, Sun City and Sedona. It has been in receivership since June 14, 1989.

Under the terms of the agreement, the RTC will transfer the insured deposits of Sun State to Bank of America. Bank of America paid a premium of $1,000 to the RTC for receiving the transferred deposits, which total approximately $800

million. Bank of America is neither purchasing the deposit accounts nor acquiring any significant assets of Sun State.

Sun State branches will remain open for at least two weeks for the convenience of customers who want to access their accounts or who need to close out safe deposit boxes. After the branches are closed, customers may access their insured funds at nearby Bank of America branches.

''We're happy to assist the RTC with this transaction,'' said David Hanna, president of Bank of America Arizona. ''We welcome the opportunity to serve Sun State's customers and hope many of them will decide to become Bank of America customers.''

Within two weeks, Bank of America will begin contacting Sun State customers with information about their deposits. Customers will have the option of opening an account with Bank of America or receiving their funds.

CONTACT: Bank of America
   Betty Riess, 415/622-6397.

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HARRISON, ARK. (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Arkansas Freightways Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:AFWY) Friday announced that it plans to expand its service territory in the first quarter of next year with the opening of 13 new terminals and extension of its all points coverage to Tennessee, Alabama and the Atlanta metropolitan area.

Presently Arkansas Freightways serves all points in seven states: Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas plus western Tennessee and the Chicago metropolitan area.

After the expansion Arkansas Freightways will provide all points coverage to nine states and the metropolitan areas of Atlanta and Chicago.

The company presently operates a fleet of over 4,500 pieces of revenue equipment from 100 terminals. Revenue equipment totalling 860 pieces has been placed on order to accommodate the expansion.

Arkansas Freightways is a scheduled, for hire, common and contract motor carrier transporting primarily less-than-truckload shipments of general commodities.

CONTACT: Arkansas Freightways Corp., Harrison
   James R. Dodd, 501/741-9000

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LOS ANGELES (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Hotel Investors Trust, a real estate investment trust, and Hotel Investors Corp., a hotel management company, whose shares are paired and trade together (NYSE:HOT), Friday announced that they had been advised by a representative of Park Plaza Inc. and EIE International Corp. that, due to the deterioration in international financial markets, it was highly unlikely that Park Plaza and EIE would be able to obtain all of the financing required to complete
the purchase of 27 hotels from Hotel Investors at a price of approximately $152 million pursuant to the previously announced Asset Purchase Agreement.

Park Plaza and EIE also proposed to Hotel Investors an alternative transaction involving Park Plaza's purchase of a portion of such hotels and leasing of the remainder.

While the ability of Park Plaza to obtain financing is not a condition to the existing purchase agreement, the board of trustees of Hotel Investors Trust and the board of directors of Hotel Investors Corp. will be considering such developments and an appropriate response, as well as the implications for the special meetings of shareholders and stockholders currently scheduled for Dec. 20, 1990.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - On Nov. 28, 1990, the board of directors of City National Corp. (NYSE:CTYN), holding company for Southern California-based City National Bank, declared the regular quarterly dividend of 16 cents per share for the fourth quarter of 1990.

The dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 31 1990.

City National has 32,116,883 shares issued and outstanding.

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ENGLEWOOD, COLO. (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Dynamics Inc. (NASDAQ:MEDY), a provider of minimally invasive surgical and diagnostic camera systems, Friday announced results for its year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

As expected, the company reported a net loss of $764,600, or 19 cents per share, on revenue of $3,172,000 for the year vs. net income of $60,900, or 2 cents per share, on revenue of $3,543,000 in 1989.

Van A. Horsley, president and chief executive officer of Medical Dynamics, outlined several factors that contributed to the net loss for the year: The company invested heavily during the year in marketing and promotion in introducing both the Model 5960 and 5990 camera systems. In addition, depreciation and amortization expense was up substantially due largely to the Med-Pacific acquisition in 1989 and to an increase in the number of camera systems on loan to physicians for clinical studies and to the Medical Dynamics sales force.

Also contributing to the loss, Horsley said, was a nearly $200,000 non-cash write-off of obsolete inventory taken in the second quarter and a decision by R. Wolf, a former key OEM customer, to produce its own line of camera systems.

''Despite showing a loss for the 1990 fiscal year, management is very optimistic about the company's overall business opportunity, particularly with respect to sales of the Model 5960 Surgical Camera System to laparoscopy markets,'' Horsley said.

''As announced earlier this month, Medical Dynamics has established an important new OEM customer for the Model 5960. The timing of this new account is particularly good in light of the fact that orders from the company's other OEM account are expected to be filled by Dec. 31, 1990, and additional orders from that customer are questionable in the near term due to the fact that they are introducing their own camera.

''As always, the company is aggressively pursuing other OEM and license agreements for both the Model 5960 and 5990.''

Horsley said the company's cash position remained strong at year end at approximately $1.2 million. Current assets were $3.2 million and the current ratio was 7-to-1. Total assets were $4.3 million and the company had no long-term debt.

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ALAMEDA, CALIF (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Scientists from Glycomed Inc. have

discovered a family of carbohydrates believed to be capable of blocking the biological process of inflammation.

A review of these findings, co-authored by researchers at Glycomed and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), is being published in Friday's issue of the journal ''Cell.''

Researchers have known that an interaction takes place in the lining of human blood vessels between Endothelial-Leukocyte Adhesion Molecule 1 (ELAM-1) and white blood cells produced by the body to fight inflammation. ELAM-1 acts as a receptor to the white blood cells, initiating a series of events which can result in significant pathological damage.

Glycomed scientists discovered a class of naturally occurring carbohydrates that bind to ELAM-1. The carbohydrates may also be capable of blocking white blood cells from attaching to the ELAM-1 receptors, thereby reducing inflammation and harm to the body.

Phillips W. Robbins, Ph.D., professor of biochemistry at MIT, co-authored Friday's ''Cell'' paper with Drs. Brian Brandley and Stuart Swiedler of Glycomed.

Alan R. Timms, Ph.D., president and chief executive officer of Glycomed, said the findings provide an important first step in developing anti-inflammatory drugs to treat conditions such as rheumatoid arthritis, pulmonary emphysema and respiratory distress syndrome.

''These findings suggest a specific carbohydrate may block critical binding events of the inflammatory cells and thereby affect the disease process itself -- currently available anti-inflammatory drugs only treat the symptoms of inflammation,'' Timms said. ''We have cleared a critical hurdle in this research process.''

Glycomed is a privately held company that is developing complex carbohydrates for pharmaceutical applications. The company was formed in 1987 and has headquarters in Alameda.

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PENNSAUKEN, N.J. (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Anthony J. Gurley has been named executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Environmental

Control Group Inc., it was announced Friday by ECG President and Chief Executive Officer Brian R. Esher.

As chief operating officer, Gurley will be responsible for the daily planning and administrative operations of all ECG companies.

ECG provides a broad range of products and services related to the control and abatement of solid hazardous wastes in commercial, industrial and public buildings. The company has subsidiaries involved in environmental assessment consulting, abatement contracting, laboratory analysis, product development and distribution and insurance services.

Gurley, who was previously vice president and chief financial officer of ECG, will retain his title as chief financial officer.

''This move provides greater depth and strength for our management team,'' explained Esher, who will now focus on long-term strategic opportunities, including potential acquisitions, mergers and business combinations in the broad-based environmental control industry. ''Mr. Gurley has been the driving force of our team in reducing our bank debt levels from $15.8 million in September of 1989 down to approximately $5.6 million today. We anticipate that our debt levels will continue to decline further by year end,'' said Esher.

''It's also significant that the company has been able to pay down its debt and strengthen its balance sheet in spite of the recessionary pressures that now exist in the northeast as well as throughout the nationwide asbestos abatement industry.''

Gurley, who joined ECG in 1989, previously spent 14 years with the Warner Co., a diversified firm involved in minerals extraction, solid waste management, real estate development and contruction materials, which became a subsidiary of Waste Management Inc.

For eight years, Gurley served as the vice president of finance and administration as well as the treasurer of Warner. He received a bachelor of science degree in accounting from Wheeling Jesuit College in Wheeling, W.Va., attended the Wharton Graduate Division of the University of Pennsylvania and is a member of the Financial Executives Institute, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

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CYPRESS, CALIF. (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Nakamichi Peripherals Corp. announced Friday the formation of Trace Mountain Products Inc.

On Nov. 19, the merger of Media Division Corp., previously known as the Media Technology Division of Mountain Computer Inc. and Trace Products was consummated, resulting in the formation of Trace Mountain Products Inc.

The new corporation, known as Trace Mountain, will be privately owned by a subsidiary of Nakamichi Peripherals Corp., Nikko Capital Co. Ltd., and certain private investors who were shareholders, officers or directors of Trace Products.

Yas Yamazaki, president of Nakamichi Peripherals Corp., has been named chairman of the board. Dennis McDonnell, previously president of Trace Products, has been named president and chief executive officer, and Ken Burke, formerly general manager of Media Division Corp., has been named executive vice president.

Trace Mountain Products Inc. specializes in developing, manufacturing and distributing diskette and tape duplication equipment and diskette certification equipment as well as optical storage media certification equipment.

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EL MONTE, CA (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Marshall Industries (NYSE:MI) has inked an agreement to distribute the entire line of Bourns resistive products.

Effective Dec. 1, all Marshall locations throughout North America will be authorized to quote and sell Bourns products.

''Our customers' needs really drove this agreement,'' stated Marshall Vice President of Marketing for Passive Products Seth Finkel. ''Today, the market is looking for reliability, service and immediate response, which are the benefits this agreement allows us to offer.''

Kathy Reed, distributor programs manager at Bourns, agrees. ''Both of our companies recognized the trend toward increasingly sophisticated requirements of customers. Bourns is the resistive products market leader in sales, quality and technology. Marshall has the reputation for being a leader in customer service.''

Marshall Industries supplies and services the electronics industry through a network of industrial electronic distribution centers located throughout the United States and Canada. Marshall's products include electronic components; integrated circuits; connectors; memory and computer products; electronic production supplies and hand tools and electronic assembly equipment.

Bourns Inc. and its subsidiaries are leading manufacturers of trimming and precision potentiometers, industrial panel controls, optical/contacting encoders, resistor networks, transmitter/transducer instruments, optics and reconnaissance systems.

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NASHUA, NH (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Lockheed Sanders light weight, man portable Search and Target Acquisition Radar (P-STAR) system has been selected by the U.S. Army as the winner of a competition to build a new battlefield radar for the Army's light infantry forces.

Sanders P-STAR radar is a low-cost, light weight, state-of-the-art system designed to provide an effective air defense umbrella for light infantry forces. It also has potential applications for organizations with drug interdiction missions. Weighing approximately 300 pounds, the four piece unit is man portable and simple to setup and operate.

P-STAR has exceptional target visibility, in high clutter, permitting early detection of low flying aircraft of all types.

The pulse doppler radar can direct and classify helicopters based on the unique signature of their roter blade returns. It can classify both friendly and hostile fixed wing aircraft and helicopters using its identification friend or foe (IFF) capability.

Rapid weapon alerting and cueing improves firing unit reaction time and shifts the battle initiative to the air defender. Other key features include multiple Electronic Counter Countermeasures (ECCM) performance enhancers and a near real-time capability to directly interact with a command and control network. The P-STAR can be delivered by parachute and move in and out of battle positions quickly.

The P-STAR continues the long experience of Sanders in building Forward Area Air Defense and Short Range Air Defense radars. Sanders has played an important role in U.S. Army and international air defense programs since 1966 with systems including the Forward Area Alerting Radar (FAAR), the Low

Altitude Aircraft Detection System (LAADS) and the Tracked Search and Target Acquisition Radar Systems (TRACKSTAR).

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PHOENIX (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) will launch new daily non-stop service between Honolulu, Hawaii, and Nagoya, Japan, on Feb. 1, 1991, utilizing the 381-passenger Boeing 747.

The Nagoya flight will originate in Phoenix, offering Arizona direct service to Japan for the first time.

Nagoya ranks with Tokyo and Osaka as one of Japan's leading economic centers and as the country's third largest city with a population of more than 2 million. Nagoya, located in the industrial heart of Japan, is one of the world's major manufacturing centers for automobiles, ships, aircraft, iron and steel, machine tools, textiles and processed food.

While modern Nagoya thrives, it also preserves a wealth of cultural and historical relics such as the spectacular Nagoya Castle, built in 1612.

Fares for America West's Nagoya service will be available through travel agents or the America West reservations center at 800/247-5692 in early December pending government approval.

America West's Nagoya flight schedule follows:

HONOLULU	NAGOYA	NAGOYA	HONOLULU
Departs	Arrives	Departs	Arrives
1:25 p.m. (a)	5:35 p.m. (b)	7:35 p.m. (b)	7:25 a.m. (b)
2:00 p.m. (c)	6:10 p.m. (d)	8:10 p.m. (d)	8:00 a.m. (d)
PHOENIX	NAGOYA	NAGOYA	PHOENIX
Departs	Arrives	Departs	Arrives
9:35 a.m. (c)	6:10 p.m. (d)	7:35 p.m. (b)	7:10 p.m. (b)
	8:10 p.m. (d)	7:10 p.m. (d)	
LAS VEGAS	NAGOYA	NAGOYA	LAS VEGAS
Departs	Arrives	Departs	Arrives
6:10 a.m. (c)	6:10 p.m. (d)	7:35 p.m. (b)	8:10 p.m. (b)
	8:10 p.m. (d)	8:10 p.m. (d)	

(a) Tuesdays only (b) Wednesdays only (c) Daily except Tuesdays
(d) Daily except Wednesdays

America West, the nation's number one carrier in on-time performance, operates

a fuel-efficient fleet of 103 Boeing aircraft, including 747s, 757s, 737s and de Havilland Dash 8s. The carrier recently acquired up to 118 Airbus A320s and will operate 16 of the new aircraft by mid-1991. America West offers convenient service with more than 650 daily flights from coast to coast and across the Pacific.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Metro Mobile CTS Inc. (AMEX:MMZ.A and B) reported its operating results Friday for the fourth quarter and year-ended Sept. 30.

During the fourth quarter and year ended Sept. 30, 12,000 and 53,000 subscribers were added, respectively, to cellular systems operated by Metro Mobile. Its systems served 140,000 subscribers at Sept. 30.

Included in the results for the quarter and year ended Sept. 30 are revenues of $17,584,000 and $82,150,000 respectively, of the propane operations. This segment incurred an operating loss of $1,109,000 for the quarter and operating income of $811,000 for the year ended Sept. 30. The propane operation's revenues and operating loss for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, its first quarter of operations, were $9,902,000 and $1,394,000 respectively.

Metro Mobile CTS Inc.
Financial Highlights

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30,		Year Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 57,275,000	$ 40,043,000	$ 224,067,000	$ 111,295,000
Operating income (Loss)	283,000	(2,455,000)	2,484,000	(12,983,000)
Net loss	$ (25,816,000)	$ (12,833,000)	$ (80,115,000)	$ (46,590,000)
Net loss per share	$ (.41)	$ (.20)	$ (1.27)	$ (.72)

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JACKSONVILLE, FL (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Corporate Data Sciences Inc. announced Friday that the ''ex date'' for the distribution of its shares of The ARIL Group Inc., (''ARIL'') to its shareholders, was confirmed by the NASD

to be Oct. 1, 1990.

The company had previously requested an exception from certain of the NASD rules in order that the shareholders of record as of Jan. 22, 1990 be entitled to receive the ARIL shares as was originally intended by the company.

The NASD, however, has taken the position, that because the distribution of the ARIL shares did not actually take place until Sept. 28, 1990, that the next business day was the appropriate ex date.

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CINCINNATI (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Cincinnati Bell Inc. (NYSE:CSN) today stated that it expects 1990 earnings per common share to be marginally less than 1989's $1.50.

In remarks to security analysts in New York Thursday, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Dwight H. Hibbard said he expected ''a very good fourth quarter in earnings,'' but doubted ''they would be strong enough to overcome the shortfall experienced in the first quarter of the year.''

''A number of factors have affected 1990's results, but the primary one is the costs associated with recent acquisitions,'' Hibbard said.

''The basic strength of our businesses is excellent,'' Hibbard said. ''For the long term, we are on track.''

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MURFREESBORO, TENN. (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The Federal Housing Finance Board recently announced that First City Bank (NASDAQ/NMS:CITY) became the sixth commercial bank of the Fifth District, and the first Tennessee commercial bank, to join the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) of Cincinnati.

Passage of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act (FIRREA) in late 1989 opened membership in the FHLB to a broader range of mortgage lenders, including commercial banks. First City Bank is the latest of six commercial banks to take advantage of the FHLB's wholesale financial services.

Since the FIRREA legislation, three commercial banks in Kentucky and two commercial banks in Ohio have become members of the FHLB of Cincinnati.

As a member and stockholder of the FHLB of Cincinnati, First City Bank is entitled to a quarterly dividend on its capital stock and has access to the FHLB's services, including credit products, check processing programs, investment and deposit accounts, community housing services and financial modeling products.

Robert B. Murfree, president and chief executive officer of First City Bank, commented: ''We are pleased to be the first commercial bank in Tennessee to join the FHLB of Cincinnati. Our association with the FHLB will enhance our mortgage lending growth. First City's focus remains on originating high-quality loans in the local markets of Middle Tennessee.''

First City Bank, an FDIC-insured, state-chartered commercial bank with over $152 million in assets, is the sole subsidiary of First City Bancorp Inc. First City Bank serves customers in Murfreesboro, Smyrna, Columbia and the Nashville suburb of Bellevue.

The common stock of First City Bancorp is traded over-the-counter in the National Market System under the NASDAQ Symbol CITY.

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OCALA, FL (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Microdyne Corp. (NASDAQ:MCDY) announced its intention to sell Antennas For Communications (AFC) -- its wholly-owned subsidiary.

Negotiations are currently in process with several potential buyers.

AFC, which manufactures radomes, antennas, microwave components and shelters, accounted for approximately 10 percent of Microdyne's fiscal 1990 revenues; however, operating losses for AFC are projected to be approximately $1.4 million, substantially impacting the company's overall performance.

Kenneth Harple, Microdyne's president, stated, ''Although we feel that AFC has the potential to become a profitable operation, it is focused on markets that management has determined as not compatible with our long-term strategic plan. We believe it is in our shareholders' best interest to divest ourselves of

this operation and we are taking steps that will accomplish this in early 1991.''

Microdyne will establish a reserve of approximately $1.8 million for the sale or discontinuance of AFC operations. The reserve will impact earnings in the recently concluded fourth quarter of fiscal 1990. The reserve, plus AFC's 1990 operating losses, will result in a significant net loss for Microdyne in 1990.

Harple further stated that, ''The company's continuing operations are at satisfactory profit levels and without AFC we expect that overall corporate profitability will be strong.''

Microdyne Corp. is a leading supplier of specialized radio frequency equipment and systems integration services.

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PALO ALTO, CA (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - ALZA Corp. announced Friday that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a proposed offering of Liquid Yield Option Notes (LYONs) due 2011.

The offering is expected to result in approximately $138 million in gross proceeds to ALZA, which will be used by the Company for general corporate purposes.

The LYONs are zero coupon subordinated notes, convertible into ALZA Class A Common Stock. The LYONs would have a $600 million principal amount at maturity, based on an annual yield to maturity of 7.50 percent. Merrill Lynch & Co. will act as the sole underwriter of the offering.

ALZA Corp., headquartered in Palo Alto, Calif., is a drug delivery systems company focusing on the development, manufacture and marketing of a broad range of proprietary pharmaceutical products. ALZA's therapeutic systems provide rate-controlled programmed administration of medication for both human and veterinary applications.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective.

These securities may not be sold nor may any offers to buy be accepted prior

to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This announcement shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any state. The offering of these securities shall only be made by means of a prospectus.

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FAIRFIELD, CT (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - General Electric Co. announced Friday that Lawrence R. Phillips, 51, is appointed Vice President - Aerospace Human Resources Operation, GE Aerospace, King of Prussia, Pa., effective Dec. 1, 1990.

He was previously Manager - Aerospace Human Resources Operation at GE Aerospace.

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LONDON (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Cadbury Schweppes plc (NASDAQ: CADBY) today announced the acquisition of Fafil LDA, the bottler of TriNaranjus in Portugal.

The TriNaranjus brand, the leading still fruit drink in Spain and Portugal, was acquired by Cadbury Schweppes in October in 1989.

The acquisition is a continuation of Cadbury Schweppes' strategy of becoming an increasingly secure and full participant in the European refreshment beverage market, where it is already the number two soft drinks company.

The acquisition of Fafil brings the benefit of company-owned bottling and distribution in Portugal together with control of the development of the TriNaranjus brand.

The consideration is 12 million pounds sterling in cash, subject to an adjustment based on the completion balance sheet. 10.6 million pounds sterling is payable on completion, and the balance in two payments due six and twelve months after completion. Completion of the acquisition took place on November 30, 1990.

Cadbury Schweppes plc is the largest British-owned confectionery and soft drinks company. Cadbury Schweppes ADS are traded on NASDAQ. The ticker symbol is CADBY. One ADS equals 10 ordinary shares.

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BIRMINGHAM, ALA. (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Matthew L. Gold, chairman and chief executive officer of Precision Standard Inc. (NASDAQ:PCSN) Friday announced that its Pemco Aeroplex subsidiary has been awarded a contract by TNT Norge for the passenger to ''Quick Change'' conversion of three B-737-300 aircraft to be performed during 1991.

The contract includes various additional interior modification work and is valued at approximately $6 million.

The aircraft will be delivered directly to Pemco Aeroplex from the Boeing Co. and, after conversion, will be operated by Falcon Aviation of Sweden. Gold indicated that Pemco Aeroplex has completed over 150 passenger/cargo/quick change conversions on other transport aircraft.

Gold said that the addition of this new contract, together with previously announced funding of the Air Force KC-135 contract for fiscal year 1991 and other new business, has increased the contract backlog for the Precision Standard group of companies to over $170 million, the highest level ever.

Precision Standard, with facilities in Alabama, California, Colorado and Florida and offices in Denver, Boston and London, performs maintenance and modification of aircraft for the U.S. government and foreign and domestic commercial customers.

The company also manufactures aircraft cargo systems, aerial targets for military customers, precision springs and components, and rocket vehicles and control systems.

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BOSTON (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Contrary to recent media reports, The

Gillette Company (NYSE:GS) has no desire or plans to close its South Boston facility.

Gillette does not believe that a Boston City Council ordinance banning the use of certain ozone-depleting substances will be enacted. In the unlikely event that it is, the Company will make any necessary decisions at that time.

Gillette firmly believes that the manufacture and use of ozone-depleting chemicals should be phased-out and eventually prohibited. In this regard, it supports the United Nations, the United States government and other nations in their efforts to protect the ozone layer.

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LAKE MARY, FL (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Maynard, an Archive company, is now shipping the new MaynStream 525Q cartridge tape backup subsystem.

This high-performance drive uses the Maynard DC6525 quarter inch cartridge tape to achieve a storage capacity of 525MB. The subsystems, which include a SCSI controller card, are available as portable or internal units for IBM and compatible PC and PS/2 computers. Based on QIC technology and SCSI I interface, the drive can transfer 14.4MB of data per minute.

The MaynStream systems are sold as complete storage and retrieval solutions, including a SCSI controller card and Maynard's award-winning MaynStream 3.0 software.

MaynStream software, which is Novell-certified, provides such essential network features as workstation data backup capability, tape cataloging, loadable device drivers, custom configuration scripting, and support for NetWare 386 bindery files.

The MaynStream product line includes internal and external systems with capacities from 20MB to 2.2GB; the retail price range is $895 to $7,595. The MaynStream 525Q subsystem ranges in price from $3,495 to $3,895, depending on configuration.

All MaynStream subsystems are shipped complete with controller cards and MaynStream 3.0 software. Secondary units are available without controller cards.

Maynard sells its products through a worldwide network of dealers, distributors and value-added resellers.

Based in Lake Mary, Fla., Maynard is the industry's leading supplier of tape backup systems and offers the most complete selection of 5 1/4-inch and 3 1/2-inch cartridge, cassette, 4mm, and 8mm tape drives available for the IBM-compatible PC and PS/2 computers, DEC VAX computers, and Apple Macintosh family of computers.

For additional information, call 800/821-8782 or 407/263-3500. Maynard Electronics is a subsidiary of Archive Corp. (NASDAQ:ACHV).

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WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB, OH (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - SofTech Inc. has recently been awarded a contract by the Wright Research and Development Center's Avionics Laboratory to enhance the Weapon Systems Interaction Modeling (WSIM) prototype model.

WSIM simulates the engagements between weapon systems with sufficient detail and fidelity to evaluate weapon systems performance in an Electronic Combat (EC) environment. This effort will enable the WSIM prototype to meet future trends and developments in the multi-spectral/multi-sensor arenas and advance the state-of-the-art for Object Oriented Ada simulations.

The WSIM prototype will directly support the Electronic Combat Simulation Research Laboratory's (ECSRL) Advanced Development Electronic Warfare programs and establish a core analytical capability as part of the Air Force EC test process.

The SofTech WSIM project addresses the interaction between Radio Frequency (RF) threats, integrated Electro-optical/Infared (EO/IR)RF threats, and EW countermeasure systems in Air Force combat engagements under a range of realistic environmental and operational conditions.

A continuing comprehensive program of Electronic Countermeasures (ECM) requirements analysis and modeling is needed to assess the effectiveness of proposed ECM systems. The innovative methodology will be employed for advanced development of defensive systems on platforms such as the B-1B, B-2, F-15, F-16, and ATF.

Founded in 1969, SofTech Inc.is a publicly-held company providing software design and development, systems engineering, and integration services to government agencies and commercial companies. Headquartered in Waltham, Mass.,

the company employs over 600 people in 18 locations throughout the United States.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Dividends were declared Friday for five of Kemper Financial Services Inc.'s closed end funds.

All dividends are payable Dec. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

Kemper High Income Trust (NYSE symbol: KHI) declared a monthly dividend of $0.0875 per share. This is a reduction of $0.0125 per month. Its initial offering was April 21, 1988.

Kemper Intermediate Government Trust (NYSE symbol: KGT) declared a monthly dividend of $0.0734 per share. Its initial offering was July 21, 1988.

Kemper Municipal Income Trust (NYSE symbol: KTF) declared a monthly dividend of $0.0725 per share. Its initial offering was Oct. 20, 1988.

Kemper Multi-Market Income Trust (NYSE symbol: KMM) declared a monthly dividend of $0.117 per share. Its initial offering was Jan. 23, 1989.

Kemper Strategic Municipal Income Trust (NYSE symbol: KSM) declared a long-term capital gain dividend of $0.095 per share. Its initial offering was March 22, 1989.

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STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Petroleum Heat and Power Co. Inc., (AMEX: PHP) has declared a quarterly dividend of $.425 per share on its Class B Common Stock payable Jan. 1, 1991 to holders of record as of Dec. 14, 1990.

Petroleum Heat and Power Co. Inc., is the largest distributor of home heating oil in the United States and currently serves approximately 380,000 customers in 24 marketing areas from Portsmouth, N.H. to Washington D.C.

CONTACT: Petroleum Heat and Power Co. Inc., Stamford

Joseph P. Cavanaugh, 203/323-2121
by
Albert Frank-Guenther Law Inc., New York
Darrell T. Oliver, 212/612-1433

-30- 828
#90334b0701 11/30/1990 ~Business Wire
DALLAS (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwest Airlines (NYSE: LUV) announced Nov. 30 that it has signed a five-year contract with its aircraft mechanics, aircraft cleaners, and stock clerks.

The agreement reached between the company and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen, and Helpers of America - Airline Division (Teamsters) provides for increased basic compensation and benefits during the term of the agreement, with additional possible compensation tied directly to the profitability of the corporation. The agreement is effective from Aug. 16, 1990, to Aug. 16, 1995.

Southwest Airlines Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer Herbert D. Kelleher, said, "We are especially pleased to be able to announce this agreement of five years' duration which ensures that our employees will continue to be fairly compensated and the most productive employees in the industry. The length of the contract is indicative of the excellent relationship that exists among Southwest Airlines, our employees, and their Union."

CONTACT: Southwest Airlines, Dallas, Public Relations, (214) 904-4413.

-30- 1333
#90334b0707 11/30/1990 ~Business Wire
TAMPA, FLA. (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - The company (formerly Larry's Ice Cream Inc.) announced that it will not have an office after the close of business Friday and that for all intents and purposes it will cease all operations at that time.

The lease with respect to the more than 20,000 square feet of former manufacturing and office space in Tampa, Fla. was terminated by court order in September 1990 for the failure to pay rent. The company had been able to temporarily continue to occupy a portion of the premises under an arrangement with its landlord, but that arrangement expired on Nov. 30.

The company also announced that it is considering the protections afforded by a bankruptcy petition, and that it expects to soon file the materials necessary to terminate its obligations to continue filing reports under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

CONTACT: ABCO Ice Cream Inc., Tampa
Dan Moscone, 813/855-0481

-30- 1093
#90334b0721 11/30/1990 ~Business Wire
TAMPA, FL (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology announced Friday that the Seahawk Retriever is back in Tampa, Fla., for the holidays early because of weather and Gulf Stream current problems.

According to President John Morris, the combination of currents and high winds pulled the 200-foot vessel off site, submerging and consequently imploding and sinking two of its mooring buoys.

The Seahawk Retriever had just returned to its shipwreck site 20 miles south of the Dry Tortugas to operationally test a second remotely-operated vehicle (ROV) to work as a helper to Merlin, the company's $2 million ROV which was custom designed for archaeological recovery of deep water wrecks. The Tortugas wreck site is 1,500 feet deep.

The combination of winds and currents prevented the testing of the two ROVs working together as well as any additional artifact recovery. To date, Merlin has recovered 28 gold bars, over 700 silver coins, over 3,000 pearls, three mariner's astrolabes, gold jewelry, over 40 clay "olive jars," and thousands of other artifacts. The full list of recovered artifacts is scheduled to be released in December following verification of inventory.

The Seahawk Retriever was originally scheduled to return to Tampa on Dec. 14 for the Christmas holidays and ship inspection and repair. The ship is scheduled to be ready to go back in early January, but its actual return to the site will be determined by weather and current conditions.

CONTACT: Seahawk Deep Ocean Technology, Tampa, Jill Zolman, (813) 877-8080.

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#90334b0730 11/30/1990 ~Business Wire
TAMPA, FL (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Silk Greenhouse Inc. of Florida filed for protection under Chapter 11 of U.S. Bankruptcy Code in the Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division, Friday morning.

Silk Greenhouse officials announced that they are currently discussing with their lendors the situation and the banks' providing debtor-in-possession financing. As the company discusses with its lendors such financing, it will be able to continue to operate from funds provided from continuing operations.

Silk Greenhouse had previously reported for the six months ended July 31 a loss of over $18.5 million. The company's continued shortfall in sales

prevented the company from meeting its operating plans and resulted in the current cash flow problems.

As a result, the company was unable to adequately service its ongoing obligations to its creditors. ''As the softness in sales continued into the company's Christmas Season, it became apparent that the company was no longer able to meet its current obligations as they became due and necessitated our filing,'' said Silk Greenhouse President and Chief Executive Officer, B.B. Tuley.

''This filing, we believe, will give our vendors, landlords and other creditors the assurance they need to continue to work with us going forward.''

CONTACT: Silk Greenhouse Inc., Tampa
B.B. Tuley, 813/622-7886

-30- 1543
#90334b0733 11/30/1990 ~Business Wire

CLEVELAND (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Brush Wellman Inc. (NYSE:BW) announced Friday a Purchase Program for its shareholders owning fewer than 100 shares of Brush Wellman Inc. common stock as of Nov. 28.

This program offers eligible shareholders the opportunity to sell their shares without brokerage commissions or fees.

The Purchase Program will begin on Dec. 17, 1990, and expires Jan. 9, 1991, unless extended. Under the terms of the Program, eligible shareholders submitting all of the shares they own will receive the New York Stock Exchange closing price of Brush Wellman Inc. common stock on the day their shares are received in good order by the depository, Ameritrust Company National Association. Any shares received by the depository prior to Dec. 17, 1990, will be deemed to have been received on Dec. 17, 1990. Shareholders who elect to participate in the Purchase Program will not be charged any brokerage commissions or fees by Brush Wellman Inc. and do not need to open a brokerage account. Any inquiries should be directed to Georgeson & Co. Inc., the Manager of the Purchase Program, at 1-800-223-2064.

Brush Wellman Inc., with headquarters in Cleveland, is a manufacturer of engineered materials. The company and its subsidiaries supply worldwide markets with beryllium, beryllium alloys, beryllia ceramic, precious metal products, and specialty metal systems.

CONTACT: Georgeson & Co. Inc., 1-800/223-2064

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#90334b0743 11/30/1990 ~Business Wire

GLEN COVE, NY (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - At its annual shareholders' meeting Friday, Maurice G. Hardy, president and chief executive officer, discussed the outlook for the current fiscal year, which ends Aug. 3, 1991, and reported on first quarter sales and orders.

In discussing Pall's preparedness to meet the challenges of the new global market, Hardy commented that, ''We are responding with major changes in our technology and also with alliances with complementary specialist companies.

''We are completing a period of major investment, driven by the need to be ready for EC '92 and the opportunities of Asia -- and particularly of Japan, Korea and Southeast Asia.

''The bricks and mortar -- that is, the factory buildings -- are in place to satisfy the protectionist forces of Europe and North America and to give us most of the capacity to do a billion dollars in sales. Along with this, our management structure and a good deal of our infrastructure is in place to accommodate this growth. As a result, we look forward to gradual improvement in gross profit and in SG&A as a percent of sales over the next few years.''

Commenting on prospects for the current fiscal year, Hardy said, ''Some time ago, we developed a model of our goal for the year based on a 3 percent positive rate impact in currency translation. This resulted in a 16 percent increase in revenues over last year to $655 million.

''Our latest revision, at the beginning of this month, using a 6 percent currency increase model is for an 18 percent revenue increase broken down by market as follows:

	Sales FY 1990	Sales Goals FY 1991	Percent Increase
Pharmaceutical-Beverage	$ 118.9	$ 140.0	18 pct.
Hospital-Diagnostic	95.2	125.0	31 pct.
HEALTH CARE	214.1	265.0	24 pct.
Airborne-Military	110.3	130.0	18 pct.
Industrial-Mobile Fluid Power	80.8	95.0	18 pct.
AEROPOWER	191.1	225.0	18 pct.
Film-Fiber-Tape-Electronic	70.0	80.0	14 pct.
Chemical-Energy	89.3	95.0	6 pct.
FLUID PROCESSING	159.3	175.0	10 pct.
CONSOLIDATED TOTAL	$ 564.5	$ 665.0	18 pct.

Pall Corp. is the leader in the design, production and marketing of fine disposable filters and other fluid clarification products for the health care, aeropower and fluid processing markets. The company's shares are listed on

the American Stock Exchange (PLL) and the London Stock Exchange (0668260).

CONTACT: Pall Corp., Glen Cove
Jeremy Hayward-Surry, 516/484-5400

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#90334b0752 11/30/1990 ~Business Wire

SUGAR LAND, TEXAS (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - BMC Software Inc. (NASDAQ:BMCS) Friday announced that it has closed its acquisition of Integrity Solutions Inc., a privately held Littleton, Colo., company, in a stock-for-stock transaction.

BMC Software will account for the merger using the pooling of interests method and will issue approximately 300,000 shares of its common stock in the merger. Integrity Solutions Inc. is recognized as a leading supplier of data integrity products for CICS/VS and batch VSAM environments.

''The addition of Integrity Solutions will provide BMC with a comprehensive family of journal management and data recovery products for CICS/VS and batch VSAM environments to complement our base of DB2 and IMS products,'' said Max Watson, president and chief executive officer of BMC Software.

''Our customers will have a complete, single-vendor data recovery solution for strategic mainframe systems running under IMS and CICS.''

The staff of Integrity Soltuions will become a part of BMC Software's research and development team. Integrity Solutions founders Jerome Nickerson and Karl Schulz will remain at the Colorado development office as product architects.

Integrity Solutions will continue to market their products until the end of the year when BMC will repackage and enhance the products as part of an expanded worldwide marketing effort.

''The alignment of BMC and Integrity Solutions is a very positive move for both companies,'' said Jerome Nickerson, Integrity Solutions CEO. ''We will benefit by having the larger resources of BMC Software which will allow the product line to expand quickly.

''Also, Integrity Solutions staff will continue to develop and support the products from Littleton, Colorado, assuring the high quality of development and product support for which we have been known.''

BMC Software Inc., an international company headquartered in the Houston suburb of Sugar Land, develops, markets and supports systems software products to enhance IBM's database management and data communication systems, principally IMS, DB2 and CICS. BMC currently markets a total of 42 products to customers in 42 markets.

CONTACT: BMC Software, Sugarland, Beth Toner (investor relations) or Sally Love (public relations), 713/240-8800

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#90334b0753 11/30/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW ALBANY, IND (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Larry W. Burke, president and chief executive officer of Robinson Nugent Inc. (OTC:RNIC), and the Indiana-ASEAN Council jointly announced Friday in Indianopolis, that Robinson Nugent Inc. and its partner, Microtronics Holding Pte Ltd., had formed a joint venture company located in Singapore to produce Robinson Nugent electronic connectors.

Operations are to commence on Dec. 1, 1990. Microtronics Associates, a division of Microtronics Holding Pte Ltd., has distributed Robinson Nugent products in Sinapore for over 10 years.

The new company, RN-Microtronics Pte Ltd., is chartered to manfacture Robinson Nugent products to serve principally Singapore and the Southeast Asian markets. Robinson Nugent will provide product design, engineering support, and manufacturing technologies. Microtronics will oversee day-to-day operations and provide marketing and sales support.

Larry Burke, in his discussions, said: ''This new joint venture operation is a major step to expansion into Asia. It is our strategic direction to have local manufacturing in each of the major markets we serve. Prior to this time Robinson Nugent had served Singapore and the other Southeast Asian countries from manufacturing facilities in the U.S. and Europe.

''Our presence in Singapore under this strategic alliance will present us with the opportunity to better meet the needs of our major customers in the region and to capture new business. We have determined the high growth Singapore market is best served by local manufacturing and engineering support. The new company has been structured to meet these needs.''

Robinson Nugent Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets electronic connectors, integrated circuit sockets and cable assemblies. Its products are sold throughout the world for use by manufactures of computers, telecommunications equipment, automobiles and industrial controls, and a wide variety of other products to interconnect components of electronic systems.

CONTACT: Robinson Nugent, New Albany Larry W. Burke or Clifford G. Boggs, 812/945-0211

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ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - November 30, 1990 -- Rawlings

Sporting Goods Company, a division of Figgie International Inc., today announced the consolidation of its baseball manufacturing operations in Costa Rica.

The action will result in the company closing its plant in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, effective November 30, 1990. Rawlings, the official supplier of baseballs to the Major Leagues, has been supplying balls from its Haitian and Costa Rican facilities to both the American and National Leagues for the last two seasons. All the baseballs used in the 1990 World Series were manufactured in Costa Rica.

The company said all of its baseball manufacturing operations will now be handled at the company's Costa Rica facility. Rawlings opened the Costa Rican plant in 1987 following a comprehensive multi-year relocation study to establish a new source for baseball production and assure product continuity and delivery to the Major Leagues and other customers.

Rawlings attributed the unstable manufacturing environment in Haiti dating back to the long Duvalier family dictatorship as a major factor in its decision to relocate its baseball manufacturing operations.

The company said that serious concerns about continued operations in Haiti because of its unstable political climate have existed since the very early 1980s. The company discontinued Haitian production of baseball gloves in 1986 and clothing in 1989.

Haiti has served as the company's primary source for baseball production during the last two decades. This move represents the fourth time baseball production has been relocated in the last 30 years.

Figgie International is a diversified Fortune 500 company serving consumer, technical, industrial and service markets worldwide. Sales in 1989 were $1.3 billion.

CONTACT: Figgie International, Cleveland Michael J. Prendergast, 216/953-2810

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#90334b0779 11/30/1990 ~Business Wire

LAWRENCEVILLE, N.J. (NOV. 30) BUSINESS WIRE - Multi Soft Inc. (NASDAQ:MSOF) announced Friday that Help System s.a.l. has signed an agreement that grants the Madrid-based firm exclusive distribution rights in Spain and Portugal for the INFRONT family of cooperative processing and software re-engineering products.

''We are very pleased to represent Multi Soft and its fine products in Spain '' commented Adolfo Campos, Help System's Managing Director.

''As PCs proliferate in Europe, many of our clients tell us that their existing mainframe applications do not meet their current business needs. Users are demanding that data processing departments give them PC-style interfaces to those applications. We found that Multi Soft's INFRONT software offers us the most-comprehensive set of tools available to meet those needs.''

''INFRONT is a complete programmer's workbench that makes cooperative processing applications easy to build and use,'' said Jon Rubin, Multi Soft's Director of Reseller and International Operations. ''Help System chose INFRONT because of our reputation for helping international corporations gain a competitive advantage through increased programmer and terminal operator productivity.''

Charles J. Lombardo, chairman of Multi Soft, noted, ''We look forward for the very best firms overseas as we expand our presence there. This contract with Help System is one more important step in our goal of providing complete coverage of Europe with our pace-setting products.''

Multi Soft Inc. (NASDAQ: MSOF), a subsidiary of Multi Solutions Inc. (NASDAQ: MULT), has provided cooperative processing software solutions since 1985. For more information please contact Gerry Jurrens, 609/896-4100.

CONTACT: Multi Soft Inc., Lawrenceville, Gerry Jurrens, 609/896-4100

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 1 1990, The Keebee Corp.(TICKER: KEBE) issued a total of 206.0 million shares of its common stock to 14 persons.

The stock represents 98.2% of the 209.75 million shares of common stock of the company which are issued and outstanding.

Stephen and Mary Peterson were issued, directly or beneficially, 183.0 million shares, representing 87.2% of the company's outstanding common stock.

In other news, the following people were elected directors of the company: Ivan M. Kerzner, chairman and chief executive officer; James L. Sicheneder, president; Mary L. Peterson, secretary; Paul C. Barton, treasurer; James C. Cousino, vice-president of operations; and James A. Kozy.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 19, 1990, Joseph B. Arnold resigned as a director of Drexler Technology Corp. (TICKER: DRXR).

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#90334c0006 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that effective Dec. 3, 1990, Milo D. Harrison has been elected to the board of directors, and will assume the positions of chairman and chief executive officer of Compliance Recycling Industries Inc.(TICKER: CRIK). Jeffrey L. Stanich Sr. resigned from the board on Nov. 26, 1990.

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#90334c0007 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 16, 1990, Telephone and Data Systems Inc.(TDS)(TICKER: TDS) and U.S. Cellular Corp. (USM) announced that TDS agreed to transfer approximately 2.649 million Rural Service Area (RSA) population equivalents (Pops) to USM in exchange for 10.0 million shares of USM common stock.

The shares of USM will consist of approximately 2.94 million common shares and 7.06 million Series A common shares.

After the exchange, based on shares outstanding at Sept. 30, 1990, TDS will own approximately 86.1% of the total outstanding common stock of USM and control approximately 98% of the combined voting power of both classes of its common stock.

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#90334c0008 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 16, 1990, the board of directors of Thrifty Tel Inc.(TICKER: TTEL) extended the exercise period of the company's Class A and Class B warrants to Jan. 31, 1991.

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#90334c0009 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 19, 1990, in order to avoid confusion between Process Equipment Inc., a Nevada corportion engaged in designing and manufacturing equipment used in the food, wine and biotechnology industries, and PEI Inc., a Delaware blind-pool corporation, Process Equipment filed an amendment to its Certificate of Incorporation that changed its name from PEI Inc. to Process Equipment Inc.

The company's executive address is 3329 Baumberg Avenue, Hayward, California 94545, and its telephone number is (415) 782-5122.

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#90334c0010 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 21, 1990, CPI Corp.(TICKER: CPY) announced that revenues for the third quarter were relatively soft, and are expected to total about $113.0 million versus last year's $111.4 million.

Sittings in the Sear Portrait Studios were down approximately 4.0-5.0%, while the average customer sale increased by 7.0-8.0%.

Sittings in the 9th period (Sept. 16-Oct. 13) in particular, showed considerable softness versus last year's strong comparable period.

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#90334c0011 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 19, 1990, the board of directors of Instrument Systems Corp.(TICKER: ISYN) accepted the resignation of Turner F. Caldwell as a director, due to ill health.

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#90334c0012 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 20, 1990, Laventhol & Horwath notified Elsinore Corp.(TICKER: ELS) that it resigned as Elsinore's certifying accountants as of that date.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90334c0014 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Financial Corp.(TICKER: AFIN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,089,509,000	$1,789,286,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$28,345,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$17,200,000	$(29,900,000)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,423,656,000	$11,969,148,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$48,400,000	$111,300,000

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#90334c0015 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

RELIANCE FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 6,574,445 SHARES (34.10%) OF ZENITH NATIONAL INSURANCE CORP. (TICKER: ZNT) OF WOODLAND HILLS, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The number of shares of the company's common stock has decreased to 19,279,155. As a result, Reliance Financial Services Corp. stake has increased.

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#90334c0016 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 24

RELIANCE FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 49,930,939 SHARES (77.70%) OF F.B. HALL & CO. INC. (TICKER: FBH).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 27, 1990, Reliance Financial Services Corp.announced that it intends to purchase up to 2 million shares on the open market.

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#90334c0017 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CWI (TICKER: CAW) announced on Nov. 28, 1990 that a US District Court approved a previously announced settlement of lawsuits related to the tender offer. Pursuant to the settlement, the offer has been amended to provide for interest to be paid on shares already tendered and to increase the offer price by $.25 per share.

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#90334c0019 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ARDSLEY PARTNERS OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 2,201,700 SHARES (12.00%) OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: IRIC) OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Ardsley Partners purchased 172,200 shares from Oct. 1 to Nov. 5, 1990 for $8.13 to $10.13 per share.

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#90334c0020 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ARDSLEY PARTNERS OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 576,200 SHARES (6.20%) OF OCCUPATIONAL-URGENT CARE HEALTH SYSTEM INC.(TICKER: OUCH) OF SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Ardsley Partners sold 221,000 shares from Nov. 7-21, 1990 for $9.92 to $11.25 per share.

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#90334c0021 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT. 1, 1990 TO OCT. 31, 1990, NAZARETH NATL BANK & TRUST ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST COLONIAL GROUP INC. BOUGHT 6,165 SHARES FROM $14.50 TO $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 132,999.

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#90334c0023 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEPT. 12, 1990 TO SEPT. 17, 1990, F.M. PASCOE, VP OF NEWBRIDGE NETWORKS CORP. (TICKER: NNXC), SOLD 17,400 SHARES FROM $5.50 TO $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 91,600.

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#90334c0024 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 19, 1990, R.G. THOMAS, OFFICER OF THE NEW YORK TIMES CO. (TICKER: NYT), SOLD 1,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,391.

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#90334c0025 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 28, 1990, T.L. PHILLIPS, SHAREHOLDER OF MONTGOMERY BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,625.

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#90334c0026 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ITEL CORP OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS OWNS 8,069,995 SHARES (12.60%) OF SANTA FE ENERGY RESOURCES INC.(TICKER: SFR) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 19, 1990, the board of Santa Fe Pacific Corp. authorized the distribution to holders of Santa Fe Pacific's common stock its entire holdings of Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. Itel expects to acquire 8,069,995 shares in the distribution because it holds 15.5 percent of Santa Fe Pacific.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90334c0027 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY APA EXCELSIOR II OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 3,330,044 SHARES (32.80%) OF VISION SCIENCES INC.(TICKER: LENZ) OF MONROVIA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

APA Excelsiors II, et al. received an additional $11,658 in debentures on Aug. 15, 1990, convertible into 15,544 common shares, and $12,095 in debentures on Nov. 15, 1990, convertible into 16,126 common shares. Definitive agreements with respect to the previously announced debenture transaction have not been entered into as of this date. Completion of the transaction is conditioned upon several factors.

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#90334c0028 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

BMA CORP OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI OWNS 9,690,080 SHARES (75.10%) OF HOME OFFICE REFERENCE LABORATORY INC.(TICKER: HORL) OF LENEXA, KANSAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 20, 1990, BMA Corp. acquired 440,800 shares from Ariel Management Inc. for $9.06 per share, which followed an unsolicited offer by Ariel to sell BMAC all the shares it owned.

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#90334c0029 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 364,600 SHARES (54.81%) OF LVI GROUP INC.(TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Gamco Investors Inc. sold 1,800 shares from Nov. 23-26, 1990 for $.50 per share and gave up control over 15,000 shares on Nov. 27, 1990 due to a change in control of ownership of GAMCO.

PURPOSE:

For investment

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#90334c0031 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC. OWNS 1,608,370 SHARES (18.60%) OF THE ALLEN GROUP INC.(TICKER: ALN) OF MELVILLE, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 1 to Nov. 27, 1990, Gabelli Funds Inc., et al. purchased 26,500 shares and sold 33,400 shares for $10.32 to $13.50 per share, gave up control of 41,000 shares due to a change in ownership of GAMCO Investors Inc., and purchased 4,300 convertible preferred shares and sold 3,500 preferred shares for $15 to $16 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

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#90334c0032 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 42

GROUP LED BY GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP. OWNS 25,847,403 SHARES (67.70%) OF GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS CO.(TICKER: GACC) OF CINCINNATI, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 15, 1990, the SEC granted Great American Communications Co. application to withdraw from listing and registration of certain issues of Great American Communications Co. debt securities.

PURPOSE:

For equity investment.

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#90334c0033 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 28

GROUP LED BY GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP. OWNS 24,851,139 SHARES (60.80%) OF CHIQUITA BRANDS INTL INC.(TICKER: CQB) OF CINCINNATI, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 12, 1990, Great American Financial Corp., et al. agreed to sell certain subsidiaries to Penn Central Corp. that hold 915,069 shares of Chiquita Brands Int'l Inc. The transactions are expected to be completed by Dec. 31, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For equity investment.

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#90334c0034 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 31

GROUP LED BY GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP OWNS 21,723,918 SHARES (42.10%) OF THE PENN CENTRAL CORP.(TICKER: PC) OF CINCINNATI, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 12, 1990, Great American Financial Corp., et al. agreed to sell certain subsidiaries to Penn Central Corp. for $335 million.

PURPOSE:

For equity investment.

-30- 535
#90334c0035 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

LOEWS CORP. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 11,228,253 SHARES (12.07%) OF CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL CORP.(TICKER: CHA).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The waiting period with respect to the second notification and report form under the HSR Act referred to in amendment no. 3 to this schedule 13d expired on Oct. 31, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 1, 1990 through Nov. 27, 1990, Loews Corp. purchased 1,003,400 shares at a price of $23.13 to $26 per share.

-30- 649
#90334c0036 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY URSTADT PROPERTY CO. INC. OF BRONXVILLE, NEW YORK OWNS 830,800 SHARES (15.57%) OF HRE PROPERTIES (TICKER: HRE) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 19, 1990, Urstadt Property Co. Inc., et al. purchased 50,000 shares at a price of $11.88 per share.

-30- 496
#90334c0037 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY QUANTUM FUND NV OF CURACAO, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES OWNS 787,300 SHARES (6.60%) OF IMMUNEX CORP.(TICKER: IMNX) OF SEATTLE, WASHINGTON.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 6, 1990 through Nov. 23, 1990, Quantum Fund NV, et al. purchased 296,610 shares at a price of $22 to $34.50 and sold 43,660 shares at a price of $24.75 to $34.79 per share and sold 13,700 warrant shares at a price of $16.25 to $20 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 661
#90334c0039 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

S.J. SCHUSTER OWNS 1,380,073 SHARES (8.70%) OF ENDOTRONICS INC.(TICKER: ENDO) OF COON RAPIDS, MINNESOTA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Nov. 19, 1990, by order of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Minnesota, Third Division, 1,057,694 shares of Endotronics Inc.'s common stock were issued to Ms. Schuster in satisfaction of all claims of Cellco Advanced Bioreactors Inc. against Endotronics Inc. relating to alleged infringements of certain Japanese patents held by Cellco.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 710
#90334c0040 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

TELE-COMMUNICATIONS INC. OF DENVER, COLORADO OWNS 1,083,500 SHARES (10.26%) OF VIDEO JUKEBOX NETWORK INC.(TICKER: JUKE) OF MIAMI, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 21, 1990, TCI Liberty Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tele-Communications Inc., purchased 1,000,000 shares of common stock of the company for a total cash price of $5,000,000 and received an additional 33,500 shares of the company's common stock relating to dilutive options and warrants outstanding as of Nov. 21, 1990. In connection with the foregoing transaction, the company and purchaser entered into a definitive stock purchase agreement and pursuant thereto the company amended its bylaws and entered into letter agreements, dated Nov. 21, 1990, whereby the company agreed not to enter into certain transaction with affiliated persons and VJN partners agreed to waive certain rights previously granted to it with respect to the company's ability to repay its loans received from VJN.

-30- 1185

#90334c0041 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - Ambler, Pa.-based Interspec Inc.(TICKER: ISPC) has agreed to sell its Vingmed Sound subsidiary, a Norwegian manufacturer of ultrasound-imaging instruments, to Sonotron Holding A.G. of Switzerland, for $17 million and the assumption of $5.25 million in bank debt.

The deal calls for Interspec to continue as Vingmed Sound's exlusive distributor for North America, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 29, 1990.

-30- 695

#90334c0042 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - Houston-based DI Industries Inc.(TICKER: DRL) has acquired 12 oil-drilling rigs and others assets from James Bigard Drilling Co., a subsidiary of Ralph C. Wilson Industries, for $5.1 million.

The assets include 26 trucks, certain casing equipment and three parcels of land, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 29, 1990.

-30- 588

#90334c0043 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - Helm Investment Co., a subsidiary of New York-based Helm Resources Inc., has acquired 93 percent of Scat Hovercraft Inc. (TICKER: SCAT) of Miami for $375,000 as part of a bankruptcy reorganization, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 29, 1990.

-30- 517

#90334c0044 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - Hammonton, N.J.-based Empire Financial Corp. (TICKER: EMPR) has been notified by the Office of Thrift Supervision that it will not accept the company's capital plan, which could lead federal regulators to declare the company insolvent.

The OTS rejected the plan because the company does not meet the OTS' new capital standards, according to a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Empire is currently seeking a capital infusion through private investors and other financial institutions.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 29, 1990.

-30- 782
#90334c0045 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

R.P. KUNTZ OWNS 2,815,515 SHARES (35.60%) OF PARTECH HOLDINGS CORP. (TICKER: APHC).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.P. Kuntz has an option to buy 1,787,140 shares -- 257,140 pursuant to an ISO and 1,730,000 pursuant to a stock option and appreciation rights plan.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 19, 1990, R.P. Kuntz purchased 623,675 shares from Mr. Laurence J. Mily from personal funds of $15,000.

-30- 597
#90334c0047 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 13, 1990, Pettibone Corp.(TICKER: PETT) announced the abandonment of the proposed merger between it and Heico Inc. and Products.

PURPOSE:

Merger abandonment.

-30- 401
#90334c0048 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY AMERICAN PACIFIC HOLDING CORP. OWNS 772,515 SHARES (36.63%) OF BALVERNE CELLARS INC. OF WINDSOR, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

American Pacific Holding Corp., et al. entered into a voting trust agreement, dated June 27, 1985, pursuant to which the shares of the company acquired in the exchange agreement would be voted on all matters in accordance with the majority vote of all other shares of voting stock outstanding. All voting restrictions expired June 26, 1988. American Pacific Holding Corp. has entered into the Ampac-Sonoma general partnership which is described in the schedule 13d filing of Ampac-sonoma, dated Nov. 14, 1990 and filed with the SEC on Nov. 15, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Exchange transaction.

-30- 956
#90334c0049 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

FAG Finance announced on Nov. 29, 1990 that it extended its offer from Nov. 30 to Dec. 14, 1990 in order to permit the conditions of the offer to be satisfied.

-30- 341
#90334c0051 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

GROUP LED BY PACIFIC INVESTMENT GROUP INC. OWNS 812,988 SHARES (33.70%) OF PARLUX FRAGRANCES INC.(TICKER: PARL) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Pacific Investment Group Inc., et al. purchased 26,300 shares from July 23 to Nov. 23, 1990 for $2.44 to $3.50 per share.

-30- 495
#90334c0052 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 27

GROUP LED BY EASTOVER CORPORATION OWNS 894,626 SHARES (35.72%) OF EASTGROUP PROPERTIES (TICKER: EGP) OF ST. JACKSON, MICHIGAN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Eastover Corp., et al. purchased 40,100 shares from Sept. 26 to Nov. 27, 1990 for $10 to $12.75 per share.

-30- 467
#90334c0053 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.E. DELL OF POINT PLEASANT DELL, NEW JERSEY OWNS 948,318 SHARES (7.60%) OF DIGITAL PRODUCTS CORP.(TICKER: DIPC) OF FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 26, 1990, J.E. Dell converted $350,000 in debentures into 411,764 common shares and received 11,554 shares in lieu of interest on such debentures. Effective Sept. 30, 1990, J.E. Dell and Digital Products Corp. exchanged 25,000 shares in consideration of J.E. Dell's forgiveness of an advance of $50,000 made to Digital Products Corp.. In Aug. 1990, Dell purchased an option to purchase up to 500,000 shares at $3.75 per share from Digital Products Corp.'s president and CEO.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 891
#90334c0054 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, SAMUEL B HAYES III, DIR. OF BOATMEN'S BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BOAT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $25.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,056.

-30- 332
#90334c0056 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, CHARLES F BRUSH III, DIR. OF BRUSH WELLMAN INC. (TICKER: BW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 316
#90334c0057 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 17, 1990, BRAD C SINGER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 181,600 SHARES FROM $2.63 TO $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,328,203.

-30- 359
#90334c0058 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, SAM S SRINIVASAN, OFFICER OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,850.

-30- 325
#90334c0059 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, LEONARD KLINGSBERG, DIR. OF CHAMPIONS SPORTS INC. (TICKER: CSBR), SOLD 3,000,000 SHARES AT $0.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,420,000.

-30- 340
#90334c0060 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, LAWRENCE O TURNER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ENVIROPACT INC. (TICKER: ENV), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,000.

-30- 338
#90334c0061 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, GARY G CLARK, PRES. OF FIRSTFEDERAL FINANCIAL SVCS CORP. (TICKER: FFSW), BOUGHT 370 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,438.

-30- 338
#90334c0062 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, KENNETH K KAUFMANN JR, OFFICER OF FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP. (TICKER: I), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 339
#90334c0064 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, GEORGE H CHITTENDEN, DIR. OF JAKARTA GROWTH FUND INC. (TICKER: JGF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 328
#90334c0065 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, GEORGE H CHITTENDEN, DIR. OF JAPAN OTC EQUITY FD INC. (TICKER: JOF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 328
#90334c0066 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ROBERT LEE CALLAHAN JR, VP OF THE COCA-COLA CO. (TICKER: KO), SOLD 10,120 SHARES AT $44.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 309
#90334c0067 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, CARROLL J CAVANAGH, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 308
#90334c0068 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, CARROLL J CAVANAGH, DIR. OF MELLON BANK CORP. (TICKER: MEL), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 313
#90334c0069 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, R BRAD MARTIN, CHAIRMAN OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), BOUGHT 363,535 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 441,435.

-30- 319
#90334c0070 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, CHARLES M GOLDMAN, DIR. OF PENN TREATY AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: PTAC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 328
#90334c0072 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 09, 1990 TO OCT 11, 1990, DAVID S RUDER, DIR. OF QUIXOTE CORP. (TICKER: QUIX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES FROM $5.38 TO $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 331
#90334c0073 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 02, 1990 TO OCT 09, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), BOUGHT 57,000 SHARES FROM $2.94 TO $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 161,606.

-30- 346

#90334c0074 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 02, 1990 TO OCT 09, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), BOUGHT 57,000 SHARES FROM $2.94 TO $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 161,606.

-30- 336
#90334c0075 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, LOU A EDWARDS, DIR. OF SWIFT TRANSPORTATION INC. (TICKER: SWFT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,500.

-30- 329
#90334c0076 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, MARSHALL G COX, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WESTERN MICRO TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: WSTM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 280,000.

-30- 359
#90334c0079 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:15 that trade in Microdyne Corp.(NASDAQ: MCDY) has been halted pending the dissemination of news. The last sale was 3.

-30- 312
#90334c0080 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:40 that trade in Netword Inc.(NASDAQ: NTWD) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 3/4. The company is located in Riverdale, Maryland.

-30- 333
#90334c0082 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 29 due to the issue being postponed - security never quoted:

Familia Mercado Inc. - Cl. A (FSTMA), Ser A Conv Pref (FSTMP), Uts. 11/16/95 (FSTMU), Cl. A Wts. 11/16/95 (FSTMW)

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 28:

Century Medicorp - Cl. A Wts. 12/4/90 (CEMCW); Warrants expire 12/4/90

FIND/SVP - Wts. (FSVPW); Insufficient number of active market makers

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 27:

Computer Power Inc. - Uts. 7/1/91 (CPWRU); Components no longer quality;
Wts. 7/1/91 (CPWRW); Insufficient number of active market makers

-30- 846

#90334c0083 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following issues will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 30:

American Mobile Systems Inc. (AMSE) to (AMSED) (1 for 3 Reverse Split)
American Pacific Bank (AMPB) to (AMPBA) Cl. A (1 for 10 Reverse Split)

The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 29:

Cattleguard Inc. (CGXX) to (CGXXQ), Uts. 2/94 (CGXXU) to (CGXUQ), Cl. A Wts. 2/94 (CGXXW) to (CGXWQ)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 28:

Larry's Ice Cream Inc. (LARY) to ABCO Ice Cream Inc. (LARY)
Senetek PLC - Cl. A Wts. 5/15/91 (SNTWF) to Cl. A Wts. 5/15/92 (SNTWF), Cl. B Wts. 5/15/92 (SNTZF) to Cl. B Wts. 5/15/93 (SNTZF)

-30- 839

#90334c0084 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Financial Enterprises Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,301,000	$7,407,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,782,000	$2,341,000

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.21	$0.18
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	13,291,000	13,291,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$409,456,000	$390,025,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$261,487,000	$253,580,000

-30- 1107

#90334c0085 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Total Research Corp.(TICKER: TOTL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,735,101	$2,015,435
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$81,118	$44,292
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,750,480	7,750,480

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,438,770	$6,489,186
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,694,550	$2,613,432

-30- 1085

#90334c0086 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 14, 1990, shareholders of Sage Broadcasting Corp.(TICKER: SAGB) approved the change of the company's name to SBC Technologies Inc.

-30- 349

#90334c0087 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Statewide Bancorp.(TICKER: STWB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$6,619,000	$1,622,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.66	$0.16
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,550,602	10,766,111

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,877,491,000	$1,982,013,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$66,750,000	$162,834,000

-30- 888

#90334c0088 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Medphone Corp.(TICKER: MPHO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$129,773	$60,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(415,963)	$(401,027)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,776,830	6,875,966

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,388,136	$1,857,791
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$929,502	$1,243,935

-30- 1061

#90334c0091 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K

report filed at the NASD by Earth Technology Corp. USA (TICKER: ETCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 25, 1989
REVENUES	$54,233,912	$37,809,999
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,297,110	$517,793
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.42	$0.18

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$29,998,048	$19,642,129
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,630,838	$11,895,337

-30- 1035
#90334c0092 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:15 that trade in NDC Automation Inc.(NASDAQ: AGVS) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 17/32, 19/32.

-30- 311
#90334c0093 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - Burmah Castrol plc (TICKER: BURMY) filed its annual report with the NASD and reports earnings of 45.1 million British pounds, or 24.7 pence per share, on revenues of 831.7 million pounds for the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of 58 million pounds (including an extraordinary gain of 14.5 million pounds), or 23.9 pence per share, on revenues of 796.9 million pounds for the same period in 1989.

-30- 634
#90334c0094 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - O'Hara Resources Ltd.(TICKER: OHRA) filed a Form 20-F with the NASD stating it lost $2 million, or $0.12 per share, on no revenues for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $980,649, or $0.11 per share, on no revenues in fiscal 1989.

O'Hara is a development-stage Canadian mining firm.

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#90334c0095 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Affiliated Bancorp.(TICKER: ABCV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(6,772,000)	$1,004,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.83)	$0.27
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,698,850	3,709,051

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$533,201,000	$562,446,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$34,680,000	$44,897,000

-30- 871

#90334c0096 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Celina Financial Corp.(TICKER: CELN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,244,270	$2,422,769
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$820,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(57,548)	$3,265,970
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$1.95
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,683,038	1,679,849

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$33,210,410	$33,281,110
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,121,548	$10,695,284

-30- 1072

#90334c0097 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Chester County Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: CCBA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(610,000)	$93,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$83,137,000	$80,832,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,870,000	$7,405,000

-30- 744

#90334c0099 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 27, 1990, Aden Enterprises entered into a letter of intent with Lovejoy Cosmetics Inc.

Pursuant to the letter of intent, the companies agreed to negotiate a final plan of reorganization by which Lovejoy will merge into Aden.

Lovejoy is a newly-formed Utah corporation which is currently preparing its audited financial statements.

Such statements will be filed as soon as they are received by Aden, but no later than Jan. 19, 1991.

Aden's executive office is located at 802 American Towers South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101 and its telephone number is (801) 521-4114.

-30- 808
#90334c0100 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - R & B Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1.50 million shares of its common stock.

The initial public offering price is expected to range between $8.50 and $9.50 per share.

Gruntal & Co. Inc. is underwriting the offering.

R & B designs and markets replacement automotive parts and its executive office is located at 3400 East Walnut Street, Colmar, Pennsylvania 18915. Its telephone number is (215) 997-1800.

-30- 654
#90334c0101 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - Delta Ventures Inc. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 10,000 units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock, 50 Class A warrants, 50 Class B warrants and 50 Class C warrants.

The initial public offering price is $2.50 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 159 Park Avenue, Rutherford, New Jersey 07070 and its telephone number is (201) 939-7200.

-30- 743
#90334c0102 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - Fieldcrest Cannon Inc.(TICKER: FLD) filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 10 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and two redeemable common stock purchase warrants.

The initial public offering price is $0.01 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 501 South Cherry Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80222 and its telephone number is (303) 320-1146.

-30- 754
#90334c0103 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - American Leisure Entertainment Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 370,000 units.

Each unit consists of one share of convertible preferred stock and 5 redeemable Class A common stock purchase warrants which are immediately transferrable.

The closing bid quotations of the company's common stock on Nov. 16, 1990 as quoted on the "pink sheets" published by the National Quotation Bur was $0.50.

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for the units, preferred stock or Class A warrants of the company.

The initial public offering price per unit is $10.00.

Hasan-Growney Co. Inc. is underwriting the offering.

The company is engaged in the business of developing and operating "Governor's Comedy Shops,"(TICKER: GVCS) with three comedy cabaret restaurants in Levittown, New York, Stamford, Connecticut and Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

The company's executive office is located at 90 Division Ave., Levittown, New York 11756.

-30- 1202
#90334c0104 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:44 that trade in ABCO Ice Cream Inc.(NASDAQ: LARY) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1/32.

-30- 302
#90334c0105 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:11 that trade in NDC Automation Inc.(NASDAQ: AGVS) has been resumed. The first bid was 9/16; up 1/32 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 347
#90334c0107 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by International Microelectronic Products Inc.

(TICKER: IMPX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 24, 1989
REVENUES	$12,045,000	$17,129,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,889,000)	$236,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.16)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	24,033,000	24,537,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 25, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$69,976,000	$63,814,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$40,030,000	$42,825,000

-30- 1100
#90334c0108 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by America First Federally Guaranteed Mortgage Fund II.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,889,719	$2,039,242
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,674,236	$1,762,094
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,645,460	9,628,734

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$80,663,327	$82,398,680
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$79,964,440	$81,655,162

-30- 1038
#90334c0109 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by America First Tax Exempt Mortgage Fund Limited Partnership.(TICKER: AFTX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,999,261	$3,917,237
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,493,761	$1,598,818

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$148,620,879	$151,481,566
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$135,135,006	$138,468,033

-30- 1008
#90334c0110 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by America First Tax Exempt Mortgage Fund II Limited Partnership.(TICKER: ATAX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,512,469	$1,542,618
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$959,987	$884,098

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$68,753,040	$71,362,636
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$67,871,961	$70,495,821

-30- 1005
#90334c0111 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Civic Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: CIVC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$919,000	$391,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.39	$0.20
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,370,037	1,950,839

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$357,011,000	$244,962,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$28,453,000	$19,627,000

-30- 872
#90334c0112 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by County Bank, A Federal Savings Bank. (TICKER: TFSB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$32,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$618,000	$633,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$0.07

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,270,181,000	$1,431,623,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$30,005,000	$28,166,000

-30- 905
#90334c0113 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Tucker Drilling Co. Inc.(TICKER: TUCK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,660,531	$2,616,971
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$92,207	$(21,604)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,080,215	2,065,076

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,435,995	$15,709,222
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,915,305	$13,788,655

-30- 1077
#90334c0115 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Fire & Casualty Co.(TICKER: UFCS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$43,974,776	$36,722,061
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,372,545	$1,559,260
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.05	$0.48
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,215,111	3,261,919

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$405,537,509	$367,768,370
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$109,141,934	$103,984,753

-30- 1113

#90334c0116 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Solv-Ex Corp.(TICKER: SOLV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,569	$10,053
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(187,326)	$(191,789)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	14,955,190	14,383,593

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,778,283	$2,852,204
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,096,993	$1,195,382

-30- 1057

#90334c0117 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Microscience International Corp.(TICKER: MSIC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$19,509,000	$13,974,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(13,825,000)	$(7,970,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.31)	$(0.43)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	45,108,000	18,402,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$64,678,000	$63,853,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,590,000	$12,873,000

-30- 1103

#90334c0118 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Raymond Corp.(TICKER: RAYM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$35,531,026	$37,363,493
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(949,335)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$664,389	$(3,067,369)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.11	$(0.51)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$147,984,843	$152,002,135
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$67,056,635	$65,047,323

-30- 1012

#90334c0119 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Artists Entertainment Co.(TICKER: UAEC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$396,800,000	$363,600,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(31,900,000)	$(21,400,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.26)	$(0.20)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,038,900,000	$4,077,300,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$700,800,000	$755,900,000

-30- 1049

#90334c0120 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Fireplace Manufacturers Inc.(TICKER: FPMI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,472,853	$7,291,484
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(261,366)	$399,246
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$0.11
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,571,345	3,581,250

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,002,505	$9,308,872
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,611,031	$2,428,688

-30- 1082

#90334c0121 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Newberry Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: NEWB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,943	$33,316
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,672,140	10,999,293

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$43,019,014	$40,869,050
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,535,411	$2,082,093

-30- 866

#90334c0123 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Systems Technology Inc.(TICKER: USTI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$806,771	$857,936
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$15,900
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(98,494)	$47,323
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	15,307,191	11,599,509

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,113,576	$2,790,680
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,917,173	$1,719,075

-30- 1102

#90334c0124 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cascade International Inc.(TICKER: KOSM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$10,644,000	$9,087,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,876,000	$1,320,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	18,236,000	18,012,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$39,328,000	$34,444,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$31,979,000	$30,103,000

-30- 1103

#90334c0125 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:28 that trade in Forest Oil Corp.(NASDAQ: FOIL) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 6 3/4. The company is located in Denver, Colorado.

-30- 339

#90334c0126 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:07 that trade in Integra Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: ITGR) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 17 3/4. The company is located in Pittsburgh, PA.

-30- 356

#90334c0127 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 7, 1990, Children's Creative Workshop Ltd. entered an agreement with its president, Bernard Tessler, selling and transferring to Tessler 92.5% of all of the outstanding common stock of its subsidiary, CRCW Combination Corp.

The transaction was in consideration for Tessler retiring 8.33 million shares of Children's common stock into treasury.

The company retained 7.5% of the CRCW common stock outstanding as of Nov. 7, 1990.

In other news, Tessler resigned his position as president and a director of the company, and Phillip Baird also voluntarily resigned as a director.

As a result, the company now has only two remaining directors, and it reports a change of control.

Additionally, Barney Rosset, vice president of Children's, entered an agreement with the company to retire 1.59 million shares of common stock into treasury.

The company's executive address is 61 Fourth Avenue, New York, NY 10003.

Its telephone number is (212) 505-6880.

-30- 1214

#90334c0128 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 20, 1990, Envirodyne Industries Inc. announced it has reached an agreement in principle with a domestic financial institution to enter a sale and leaseback of the cellulosic casing production and finishing equipment at Viskase Corp.'s four domestic casing plants.

The approximate $170.0 million of sale proceeds will be used to repay term and revolving loans under the senior secured bank facility, the company reports.

-30- 669

#90334c0129 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 13, 1990, in the pending action titled Brill & Meisel v. Chock 532 Mad. Operating Inc. et al, the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York, issued an order declaring Chock (TICKER: CHF) had terminated its agreements with Riese Organization.

Chock states the court granted its motion to possess the subject premises.

-30- 579

#90334c0131 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Liberty Homes Inc.(TICKER: LIBH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,186,000	$12,996,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(153,000)	$188,000

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,571,000	4,571,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$51,967,000	$52,617,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$43,366,000	$45,812,000

-30- 1081

#90334c0132 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by DEKALB Energy Co.(TICKER: ENRG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$24,226,000	$19,819,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(173,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$62,000	$764,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,403,000	10,446,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$579,118,000	$416,263,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$259,282,000	$242,321,000

-30- 1069

#90334c0133 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Geminex Industries Inc.(TICKER: GEMX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$1,615,160	$1,637,370
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$85,470
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(17,053)	$262,931
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,916,663	9,816,485

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,748,921	$3,540,744
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(17,053)	$(1,972,565)

-30- 1078

#90334c0135 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Miners National Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: MNBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$573,000	$682,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.63	$0.75

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$193,949,000	$190,141,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$22,037,000	$21,412,000

-30- 811

#90334c0136 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:04 that trade in Netword Inc.(NASDAQ: NTWD) has been resumed. The first bid was 7/8; up 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 337

#90334c0137 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:13 that trade in Silk Greenhouse Inc.(NASDAQ: SGHI) has been resumed. The first sale was 3/8; down 3/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 353
#90334c0138 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G. SKUFCA OF 2191 WEST DRY CREEK RD, LITTLETON, COLORADO 80120, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,869 SHARES OF WORK RECOVERY INC.(TICKER: WORK) THROUGH WILLIAM BARTON FINL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 27, 1990.

(WORK RECOVERY INC. TEL: 602 322-6634)

-30- 420
#90334c0140 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L. POST OF 6604 11TH AVE W, BRADENTON, FLORIDA 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF BELMAC CORP. (TICKER: BLM) THROUGH PARADISE VALLEY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 26, 1990.

(BELMAC CORP. TEL: 813 577-1255)

-30- 390
#90334c0141 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.L. ROBINSON OF 13659 SO 2780 WEST, PO BOX 388, RIVERTON, UTAH 84065, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,755 SHARES OF PAN WORLD MINERALS INTL INC. THROUGH BARRETT DAY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 26, 1990.

(PAN WORLD MINERALS INTL INC. TEL: 801 261-3888)

-30- 444
#90334c0142 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TAW INC. OF 11436 PORTERVILLE RD, E. AURORA, NEW YORK 14052, HAS FILED TO SELL 214,157 SHARES OF UNIVERSAL CAPITAL INC. THROUGH QUICK & REILLY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 27, 1990.

(UNIVERSAL CAPITAL INC. TEL: 716 854-3573)

-30- 406
#90334c0143 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PROSPERITY BANK & TRUST OF 5803 ROLLING RD, SPRINGFIELD, VIRGINIA 22152, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,943 SHARES OF F&E RESOURCE SYS TECHNOLOGY INC. THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 26, 1990.

(F&E RESOURCE SYS TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 301 953-9721)

-30- 472
#90334c0144 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.A. KEKICH OF 247 SHEKOMEKO LANE, JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA 15905, HAS FILED TO SELL 126,000 SHARES OF ZOTEK INC. THROUGH RCL NORTHWEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 19, 1990.

(ZOTEK INC. TEL: 509 456-0114)

-30- 386
#90334c0145 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.M. CLARK OF 3401 EAST WIER, PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85040, HAS FILED TO SELL 126,000 SHARES OF ZOTEK INC. THROUGH RCL NORTHWEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 19, 1990.

(ZOTEK INC. TEL: 509 456-0114)

-30- 373
#90334c0146 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.M. JOHNSON OF 1539 SOUTH 8TH ST, COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO 80906, HAS FILED TO SELL 126,000 SHARES OF ZOTEK INC. THROUGH RCL NORTHWEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 19, 1990.

(ZOTEK INC. TEL: 509 456-0114)

-30- 388
#90334c0148 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.B. NEUENDORF OF 403 WEST 25TH AVE, SPOKANE, WASHINGTON 99203, HAS FILED TO SELL 126,000 SHARES OF ZOTEK INC. THROUGH RCL NORTHWEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 19, 1990.

(ZOTEK INC. TEL: 509 456-0114)

-30- 387
#90334c0149 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

HEXAGON PARTNERS LP OWNS 552,200 SHARES (7.80%) OF HEXCEL CORP.(TICKER: HXL) OF DUBLIN, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 29, 1990, Hexagon Partners LP purchased 122,000 shares at a price of $10.80 per share.

-30- 421
#90334c0150 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Nov. 29, 1990, CRI Insured Mortgage Assn. Inc. announced that their exchange offer for four American Insured Mortgage partnerships will proceed as soon as a revised prospectus is declared effective by the SEC and mailed to unitholders.

-30- 501
#90334c0153 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 445,000 SHARES (7.20%) OF WTD INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: WTDI) OF PORTLAND, OREGON.

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 462
#90334c0154 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY M.L. CAIN TRUST OWNS 1,109,400 SHARES (12.80%) OF COMPUTER FACTORY INC.(TICKER: CFA) OF ELMSFORD, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 29, 1990, M.L. Cain Trust, et al. purchased 395,000 shares at a price of $3.05 per share.

-30- 454
#90334c0155 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY BARCLAY & CO. INC. OF SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA OWNS 2,016,353 SHARES (54.80%) OF BRAJDAS CORP.(TICKER: BRJS) OF WOODLAND HILLS, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Since at the quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, Brajdas had an additional $2,750,000 of eligible outstanding borrowings under the line of credit. Effective Nov. 14 1990, BRJS has received five year warrants to purchase an additional 375,000 shares of common stock at $1.57 per share, the book value per share on Aug. 31 1990.

-30- 701
#90334c0156 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

MERCURY ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC OWNS 209,000 SHARES (5.30%) OF PETROLEUM HELICOPTERS INC.(TICKER: PHEL) OF NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Mercury Asset Management PLC purchased 209,000 shares from Sept. 21-27, 1990 for $32 to $34.61 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 515
#90334c0159 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

H.S. CANNON OWNS 224,264 SHARES (11.05%) OF SUMMIT SAVINGS ASSOCIATION (TICKER: SMMT) OF BELLVUE, WASHINGTON.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 379
#90334c0160 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:21 that trade in Integra Financial Corp.(NASDAQ: INGR) has been resumed. The first sale was 17 1/2; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 355
#90334c0161 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:35 that trade in LVI Group has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol LVI.

-30- 296
#90334c0162 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:51 that trade in Forest Oil Corp.(NASDAQ: FOIL) has been resumed. The first sale was 7; up 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 339
#90334c0163 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Cannon Pictures Inc.(TICKER: CNPI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,432,525	$690,504
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(886,361)	$45,407
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	70,810,125	64,013,125

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$34,700,352	$13,944,071
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$532,989	$758,207

-30- 1040
#90334c0164 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mexican Patio Cafes Inc.(TICKER: MXPC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$207,964	$244,030
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(116,426)	$(207,944)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,605,784	4,753,715

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,521,685	$242,048
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,403,967	$21,987

-30- 1117
#90334c0165 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Switchco Inc.(TICKER: SXCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,760,000	$1,925,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,045,000)	$(226,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	15,000,000	15,000,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,806,000	$15,589,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(3,394,000)	$(2,203,000)

-30- 1053
#90334c0167 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Gateway Financial Corp.(TICKER: GTWY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,132,000)	$319,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.41)	$0.04

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,305,727,000	$1,290,774,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$95,538,000	$118,759,000

-30- 802
#90334c0168 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Movie Superstore Inc.(TICKER: TMSI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$620,746	$339,920
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(145,272)	$(168,348)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,724,133	2,224,133

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,724,135	$3,448,679
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,341,600	$1,676,246

-30- 1081
#90334c0169 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: UBSI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,796,000	$3,071,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.32	$0.34

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,210,409,000	$1,126,589,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$106,684,000	$99,533,000

-30- 813
#90334c0170 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Chesapeake Utilities Corp.(TICKER: CHPK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,677,378	$13,816,096
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(403,856)	$(608,067)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$(0.18)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,412,340	3,402,824

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$83,010,483	$83,701,458
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$31,950,648	$32,216,458

-30- 1082
#90334c0171 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Microtel Franchise and Development Corp. (TICKER: MCTL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$18,686	$329,430
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(188,390)	$57,214
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$0.03

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$976,865	$1,430,508
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$903,778	$1,366,995

-30- 1030

#90334c0172 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Dynagen Inc.(TICKER: DYGN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$173,522	$251,270
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(219,984)	$(95,508)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,239,131	$6,437,750

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,124,980	$528,179
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,904,670	$(954,806)

-30- 1057

#90334c0173 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bolivian Power Co. Ltd. Figures are reported in Bolivian currency.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	Bs 23,755,000	Bs 17,393,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	Bs 3,780,000	Bs 2,806,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	Bs 1.28	Bs 0.95

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,948,983	2,948,983

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	Bs 237,348,000	Bs 207,960,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	Bs 14,048,000	Bs 12,901,000

-30- 1139

#90334c0175 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Lufkin Industries Inc.(TICKER: LUFK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$46,669,710	$42,392,069
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$537,448	$(2,133,045)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.32	$(1.25)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,698,024	1,698,024

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$218,708,067	$227,248,393
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$196,599,406	$202,071,023

-30- 1089

#90334c0176 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Above Technologies Inc.(TICKER: ABVE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$486,174	$437,422

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$4,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$33,350	$93,615
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$762,402	$879,201
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$396,678	$550,536

-30- 991

#90334c0177 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 26, 1990, Celebrity Resorts Inc.(TICKEr: CELE) engaged the firm of Forness, Graham & Cottrill P.A. as its accountant. The new firm replaces Feldman & Panzarella, formerly known as Reffsin, Feldman, Klein & Co.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 641

#90334c0178 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Circle Express Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$47,393,000	$52,447,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,229,000)	$(2,779,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.48)	$(0.60)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,623,710	4,623,710

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$74,995,000	$79,313,000

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(46,501,000)	$(39,564,000)

-30- 1088
#90334c0179 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that completion of a modified plan of reorganization of the company will result in a change of control.

The company filed the modified plan under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

Pursuant to that plan, the company will issue 4.84 million shares of its common stock to holders of the company's outstanding 13-1/2% senior subordinated debentures, due in 1997 upon their surrender by the holders.

New shares to be issued to debenture holders will represent 82.35% of the new shares on a fully diluted basis.

The company will issue 184,948 new shares to holders of its common stock, in what amounts to a 25-for-1 reverse stock split.

This will occur upon surrender of the certificates representing the shares by the holders thereof.

New shares to be issued will represent 3.15% of the new shares on a fully diluted basis.

Additionally, Circle will reserve 851,350 new shares for issuance pursuant to options granted as of the effective date to management of the company and its operating subsidiaries and to Compton Management Corp, which will provide management services to the company.

-30- 1367
#90334c0180 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by American Metals Service Inc.(TICKER: AMTS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$11,667,880	$15,678,899
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$64,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(494,167)	$(95,716)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.25)	$(0.05)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,008,000	2,008,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,111,768	$8,205,338
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,249,582	$6,017,682

-30- 1102

#90334c0181 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Two Count Holding Co.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$12,225,616	$14,893,375
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$370,532
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$206,974	$561,169
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.06
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,200,000	8,150,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,740,576	$6,589,225
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$521,833	$233,013

-30- 1058

#90334c0183 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Seahawk Capital Corp.(TICKER: SEAK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$165,311	$83,414
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$18,572	$(45,824)
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$47,895	$(2,364,257)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.18)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,528,402	$2,830,384
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,201,390	$2,161,264

-30- 1027
#90334c0184 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (NOV. 30) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in LVI Group has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol LVI. Trading was resumed at 15:42.

-30- 331
#90334c0185 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TRACMARK INC. OF 801 SURRY ST, WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA 28401, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF C G & T CORP. THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 20, 1990.

(C G & T CORP. TEL: 919 763-9800)

-30- 392
#90334c0186 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH L ALIOTO OF 2510 PACIFIC AVENUE, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94115, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,000 SHARES OF LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: LSCC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(LATTICE SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. TEL: 503 681-0118)

-30- 452
#90334c0187 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL J HAYES OF 2323 N CENTRAL AVE #1206, PHOENIX, AZ 85004, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,375 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH J W GARRETT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2409)

-30- 433
#90334c0188 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT H PAYMAR OF 4825 RUSSELL AVE S, 0, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55410, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF QUARTZ INC. (TICKER: QURZ) THROUGH SUMMIT INVSTMNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(QUARTZ INC. TEL: 612 472-5545)

-30- 402
#90334c0189 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEON C HIRSCH OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,300 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 28, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 399
#90334c0191 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD J BRUCE OF 13333 N W FWY, HOUSTON, TX 77040, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF VALLEN CORP. (TICKER: VALN) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 28, 1990.

(VALLEN CORP. TEL: 713 462-8700)

-30- 385
#90334c0192 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORMA FERGUSON OF R R # 7, P O BOX 389, 0, WARSAW, IN 46580, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET) THROUGH RAFFENSPERGER HUGHES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(BIOMET INC. TEL: 219 267-6639)

-30- 398
#90334c0193 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERRY L FERGUSON OF R.R. #7, P O BOX 389, 0, WARSAW, IN 46580, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,507 SHARES OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET) THROUGH RAFFENSPERGER HUGHES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(BIOMET INC. TEL: 219 267-6639)

-30- 402
#90334c0194 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VOORHEES SCOTT 1982 TRUST OF 1688 PHOENIX PKWY, COLLEGE PARK, GA 30349, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: ASAI) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES INC. TEL: 404 996-4562)

-30- 482
#90334c0195 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM E ALLAUN JR OF 705 MOBJACK PLACE, NEWPORT NEWS, VA 23606, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF TVX BROADCAST GROUP INC. (TICKER: TVXG) THROUGH LEGG MASON WOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(TVX BROADCAST GROUP INC. TEL: 804 499-9800)

-30- 437
#90334c0196 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT M BERRY OF 775 EAST 920 NORTH, ALPINE, UT 84004, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 421
#90334c0197 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NINA MCLEMORE OF 35 BELLECLAIRE PLACE, MONTCLAIR, NJ 07042, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 411
#90334c0199 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL G ALLEN OF 110 110TH AVENUE N.E., SUITE 717, BELLEVUE, WA 98004, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT) THROUGH DLJ SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(MICROSOFT CORP. TEL: 206 882-8080)

-30- 413
#90334c0200 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL D SCHALLER OF 6607 KAISER DR, FREMONT, CA 94555, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF VITALINK COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: VITA) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(VITALINK COMMUNICATIONS CORP. TEL: 415 795-6116)

-30- 445
#90334c0201 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - V ORVILLE WRIGHT OF 1101 S ARLINTON RIDGE RD, ARLINGTON, VA 22202, HAS FILED TO SELL 154,367 SHARES OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCIC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. TEL: 202 872-1600)

-30- 437
#90334c0202 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VOORHEES NANCY TR OF 1688 PHOENIC PARKWAY, COLLEGE PARK, GA 30349, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: ASAI) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES INC. TEL: 404 996-4562)

-30- 467
#90334c0203 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LINDELL S PETERSON OF 1915 GALWAY DR, VIDOR, TX 77662, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SERV-TECH INC. (TICKER: STEC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(SERV-TECH INC. TEL: 713 644-9974)

-30- 400
#90334c0204 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN H UNDERWOOD OF 14608 SUMMIT OAKS PL, BURNSVILLE, MN 55337, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,000 SHARES OF DATAKEY INC. (TICKER: DKEY) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(DATAKEY INC. TEL: 612 890-6850)

-30- 407
#90334c0205 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LOUISE K BARRETT OF 4665 S FRANKLIN, 0, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80110, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF BARRETT RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: BARC) THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(BARRETT RESOURCES CORP. TEL: 303 297-3900)

-30- 433
#90334c0207 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERWEST PARTNERS II OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, BLDG #3 SUITE #255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,875 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7114)

-30- 425
#90334c0208 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERWEST PARTNERS III OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, BLDG #3 SUITE #255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7114)

-30- 427
#90334c0209 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BIO INFORMATION ASSOCIATION INC OF 285 COMMONWEALTH AVE, BOSTON, MA 02116, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,950 SHARES OF GENZYME CORP. (TICKER: GENZ) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(GENZYME CORP. TEL: 617 252-7500)

-30- 421
#90334c0210 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALDEN INTERNATIONAL I CV OF 2500 WALSH AVE, SANTA CLARA, CA 95051, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 405
#90334c0211 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DIALOGIC SYSTEMS CORP OF 20111 STEPHENS CREEK BLVD, SUITE 130, CUPERTINO CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 422
#90334c0212 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD DULUDE OF 507 WELCH RD, CORNING, NY 14830, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,027 SHARES OF CORNING INC. (TICKER: GLW) THROUGH HERZOG HEINE GEDULD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(CORNING INC. TEL: 607 974-9000)

-30- 387
#90334c0213 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C RICHARD ZARTMAN OF 1111 WALNUT COURT, HOPKINSVILLE, KY 42240, HAS FILED TO SELL 51,600 SHARES OF BINDLEY WESTERN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BIND) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(BINDLEY WESTERN INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 317 298-9900)

-30- 448
#90334c0215 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GREGORY T BARNUM OF 25 BROADMOOR AVE, COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80906, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CRAY COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CRAY) THROUGH MANUFACTURES HANOVER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(CRAY COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 719 579-6464)

-30- 424
#90334c0216 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEIL DAVENPORT OF 1520 NAPOLI WAY, COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80906, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,250 SHARES OF CRAY COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CRAY) THROUGH MANUFACTURES HANOVER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(CRAY COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 719 579-6464)

-30- 422
#90334c0217 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GORDON M BINDER OF 1840 DEHAVILLAND DR, THOUSAND OAKS, CA 91320, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,500 SHARES OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(AMGEN INC. TEL: 805 499-5725)

-30- 398
#90334c0218 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BAYFORD INVESTMENTS LTD OF 464 HUDSON TERRACE, ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ 07632, HAS FILED TO SELL 124,177 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH YORKTON CONTINENTAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 201 569-4141)

-30- 428
#90334c0219 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T ROWE PRICE THRESHOLD FUND LP OF 220111 SE 51ST STREET, ISSAQUAH, WA 98027, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(EGGHEAD INC. TEL: 206 391-5150)

-30- 433
#90334c0220 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A SCOTT ANDREWS OF 6806 LUPINE LANE, MCLEAN, VA 22101, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,353 SHARES OF WORLDCORP. (TICKER: WOA) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(WORLDCORP. TEL: 703 834-9200)

-30- 392
#90334c0221 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T ROWE PRICE THRES FD II LP OF 22011 SE 51ST ST, PO BOX 7004, ISSAQUAH, WA 98027, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(EGGHEAD INC. TEL: 206 391-5150)

-30- 435
#90334c0223 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLASGOW S L TRUST OF 11 MERRILL INDUSTRIAL DR, HAMPTON, NH 03842, HAS FILED TO SELL 33,796 SHARES OF TIMBERLAND CO. (TICKER: TBL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(TIMBERLAND CO. TEL: 603 926-1600)

-30- 415
#90334c0224 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARVIN SELIG OF P.O.BOX 911, SEQUIN, TX 78156, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF COMMERCIAL METALS CO. (TICKER: CMC) THROUGH JEFFERIES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(COMMERCIAL METALS CO. TEL: 214 631-4120)

-30- 405
#90334c0225 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GUNTER 1987 CHILDRENS TRUST OF P O BOX 789, WADE HAMPTON BLVD, GREENVILLE, SC 29602, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC) THROUGH J C BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(THE LIBERTY CORP. TEL: 803 268-8111)

-30- 449
#90334c0226 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - REID W DENNIS OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, SUITE 2-290, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SQNT) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 503 626-5700)

-30- 465
#90334c0227 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL P GEISBERG OF 80 DORCAR ST, NEWTON, MA 02159, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 434
#90334c0228 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TRUST INVESTMENTS INC OF 150 CALIFORNIA ST, P O BOX 160, NEWTON, MA 02195, HAS FILED TO SELL 91,542 SHARES OF STAPLES INC. (TICKER: SPLS) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(STAPLES INC. TEL: 617 969-3901)

-30- 419
#90334c0229 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL J TERRA OF 990 SKOKIE BLVD, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: LAW) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 28, 1990.

(LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 312 498-4700)

-30- 420
#90334c0231 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S A BOUYGUES OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,133 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 28, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 412
#90334c0232 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - HANS & MARTIN WERNER OF 4339 LUDWICK ST, PITTSBURGH, PA 15217, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP) THROUGH PARKER/HUNTER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(RESPIRONICS INC. TEL: 412 373-8114)

-30- 409
#90334c0233 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELI ARENBERG OF 54 MADDAKET, SCOTCH PLAINS, NJ 07076, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 28, 1990.

(CONCORD CAMERA CORP. TEL: 201 499-8280)

-30- 414
#90334c0234 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ABRAHAM J SALAMAN OF 800 KINGS HIGHWAY N, SUITE 500, CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF NATIONAL MEDIA CORP. (TICKER: NM) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(NATIONAL MEDIA CORP. TEL: 215 482-9800)

-30- 436
#90334c0235 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTH AMERICAN PARTNERS LP OF C/O INCO VENTURE CAP MNGMT, ONE NEW YORK PLA NEW YORK, NY 10004, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF THE LIPOSOME CO. (TICKER: LIPO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(THE LIPOSOME CO. TEL: 609 452-7060)

-30- 457
#90334c0236 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL SHERMAN OF 78 GREENLEAF DR, STAMFORD, CT 06902, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(MARCAM CORP. TEL: 617 965-0220)

-30- 393
#90334c0237 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRIET R SHERMAN OF 78 GREENLEAF DR, STAMFORD, CT 06902, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(MARCAM CORP. TEL: 617 965-0220)

-30- 397
#90334c0239 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAMILTON F RICHARDSON OF 866 UNITED NATIONS PLAZA, SUITE 444, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 46,250 SHARES OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MSYS) THROUGH DALLAS SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 813 576-6311)

-30- 481
#90334c0240 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E VIEAU OF 20555 SH 249, HOUSTON, TX 77070, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,687 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 456-4500)

-30- 422
#90334c0241 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN R NAGEL OF 12500 E CONTROL TOWER RD, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE) THROUGH PROTECTIVE GRP SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(SELECTRONICS INC. TEL: 716 248-9150)

-30- 421
#90334c0242 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUMMIT VENTURES L P OF ONE BOSTON PLACE, BOSTON, MA 02108, HAS FILED TO SELL 250,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 403
#90334c0243 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A H L MUIR OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 395
#90334c0244 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M R F WONFOR OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,332 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 400
#90334c0245 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Nov. 29, 1990, Trefoil Capital Investors LP announced today that the Aug. 24, 1990 stock purchase agreement relating to Trefoil's proposed acquisition of CNC Holding Corp.'s 82 percent interest in Child World

Inc.(TICKER: CWLD) has been terminated by mutual consent of the parties in accordance with the terms of that agreement. The related merger agreement and related acquisition of the remaining 18 percent interest in Child World has also been terminated. As a result of the termination of the stock purchase agreement, TPI is no longer the beneficial owner of any shares.

-30- 840
#90334c0247 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

L.M. WATERHOUSE JR OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 710,657 SHARES (30.00%) OF WATERHOUSE INVESTOR SERVICES INC.(TICKER: WHOO) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The 114,240 additional shares were purchased by the ESOP as the result of a loan by the company of $359,856 from its surplus capital.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 20, 1990, the ESOP purchased 114,240 shares of common stock of the company for a purchase price of $359,856.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

-30- 693
#90334c0248 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

E.J. NICOLL OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 314,652 SHARES (13.30%) OF WATERHOUSE INVESTOR SERVICES INC.(TICKER: WHOO) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The 114,240 additional shares were purchased by the ESOP as the result of a loan by the company of $359,856 from its surplus capital.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Aug. 20, 1990, the ESOP purchased 114,240 shares of common stock of the

company for a purchase price of $359,856.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

-30- 692
#90334c0249 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

C.J. PADGETT OWNS 327,431 SHARES (4.00%) OF UNIPAC CORP.(TICKER: UNIP) OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 26, 1990, Mr. Padgett purchased 17,431 shares at a total price of $34,862.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares for appreciation.

-30- 453
#90334c0250 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

FMC CORP. OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS OWNS 16,100 SHARES (.10%) OF CENTOCOR INC. (TICKER: CNTO) OF MALVERN, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

FMC Corp. has the right to acquire 16,100 shares of common stock upon the exercise of vested options to purchase common stock. Upon settlement of the sales transaction of shares which is expected to occur Dec. 5, 1990, FMC will cease to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the outstanding common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 28, 1990, FMC sold 1,350,000 shares of common stock to Robertson, Stephens & Co., in a privately negotiated over-the-counter transaction at a price of $45 per share.

-30- 851
#90334c0251 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 1,609,800 SHARES (8.43%) OF FERRO CORP.(TICKER: FOE) OF CLEVELAND, OHIO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 19 to Nov. 28, 1990, Gamco Investors, et al. purchased 218,600 shares and sold 14,200 shares for $17.38 to $20.10 per share and on Oct. 26-27 1990, 15,000 shares transferred due to a change in control of GAMCO.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 618
#90334c0252 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 3,460,749 SHARES (7.28%) OF GENERAL CINEMA CORP.(TICKER: GCN) OF CHESTNUT HILL, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 28 to Nov. 28, 1990, Gamco Investors, et al. purchased 309,800 shares and sold 50,900 shares for $16.94 to $19.61 per share and on Oct. 26-27 1990, 52,000 shares transferred due to a change in control of GAMCO.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 650
#90334c0253 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.E. LAUGHLIN OWNS 34,925 SHARES (6.00%) OF ULTRA BANCORP.(TICKER: HFOX) OF XENIA, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.E> Laughlin received his shares as a result of the reorganization of Home Federal Savings Bank, Xenia, Ohio on Aug. 3, 1990, in which he received an equal number of shares of the issuer for his holdings in Home Federal.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 564
#90334c0255 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HANY M HUSSEIN OF 1311 VALENCIA AVE, TUSTIN, CA 92680, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,336 SHARES OF TRIMEDYNE INC. (TICKER: TMED) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(TRIMEDYNE INC. TEL: 714 259-1988)

-30- 403
#90334c0256 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT H WELCH OF 19925 STEVENS CREEK BLVD, CUPERTINO, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ZITEL CORP. (TICKER: ZITL) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(ZITEL CORP. TEL: 408 946-9600)

-30- 399
#90334c0257 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAN E STEWART OF 2939 OLD CANTON RD, JACKSON, MS 39216, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,320 SHARES OF HAROLD'S STORES INC. (TICKER: HRLD) THROUGH OLDE DISCOUNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(HAROLD'S STORES INC. TEL: 405 329-4045)

-30- 419

#90334c0258 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DENNIS J OLEARY OF 55 EAST 52ND ST, 28TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10055, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF RELIANCE GROUP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: REL) THROUGH BUTCHER & SINGER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(RELIANCE GROUP HOLDINGS INC. TEL: 212 909-1100)

-30- 451
#90334c0259 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL J MARANGOS OF 2224 RUNNING SPRING PLACE, ENCINITAS, CA 92024, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF GENSIA PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: GNSA) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(GENSIA PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 619 546-8300)

-30- 449
#90334c0260 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFF FISHMAN OF 2122 HUBBARD ST, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84108, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. TEL: 801 532-7526)

-30- 417
#90334c0261 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEE B STERN OF 141 W JACKSON BLVD, STE 1620, CHICAGO, IL 60604, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(AAR CORP. TEL: 312 439-3939)

-30- 388
#90334c0263 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NG KAMKWEN OF 1001 MURRY RIDGE DR, MURRYSVILLE, PA 15668, HAS FILED TO

SELL 5,000 SHARES OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP) THROUGH PARKER/HUNTER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(RESPIRONICS INC. TEL: 412 733-0200)

-30- 401
#90334c0264 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN S KAPLAN OF 25 QUIDNIC RD, WABAN, MA 02168, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,000 SHARES OF ECC INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ECC) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ECC INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 215 687-2600)

-30- 412
#90334c0265 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES H KIRKPATRICK OF 1400 JACKSON ST, DENVER, CO 80206, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(EPITOPE INC. TEL: 503 641-6115)

-30- 397
#90334c0266 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BROOKS D STEWART OF 543 GARRATY RD, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78209, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,117 SHARES OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(FOREST OIL CORP. TEL: 814 368-7171)

-30- 401
#90334c0267 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E JONES WARREN OF 800 LAKEWOOD CIRCLE PO #706, BLAKELY, GA 31723, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,700 SHARES OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(WALBRO CORP. TEL: 517 872-2131)

-30- 404
#90334c0268 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEANNA F CHRISTENSEN OF 47 W 200 SOUTH, STE 600, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84101, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,880 SHARES OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. TEL: 801 532-7526)

-30- 437
#90334c0269 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT H BUESCHER OF 35 RED OAK PLACE, MASSAPEQUA, NY 11758, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 438
#90334c0271 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTH AMERICAN PARTNERS LP OF C/O INCO VENTURE CAP MNGMT, ONE NEW YORK PLA NEW YORK, NY 10004, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF THE LIPOSOME CO. (TICKER: LIPO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(THE LIPOSOME CO. TEL: 609 452-7060)

-30- 457
#90334c0272 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDMUND W TRAINOR OF 17 WHALE ROCK RD, JAMESTOWN, RI 02835, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,500 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH WILLIAM BARTON FINL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 429

#90334c0273 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALAN SUSSKIND OF 812 BRINY AVE #10-A, POMPANO BCH, FL 33062, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF AURA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AURA) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(AURA SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 213 643-5300)

-30- 416
#90334c0274 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT A CUTTING OF 1934 BASSWOOD DR, KENT, OH 44240, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN BUSINESS COMPUTERS CORP (TICKER: ABCC) THROUGH SHEPHERD & VERBANAC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(AMERICAN BUSINESS COMPUTERS CORP TEL: 216 733-2841)

-30- 454
#90334c0275 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HENRY P HUFF III OF 110 SHAWNEE PASS, PORTOLA VALLEY, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,800 SHARES OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 415 882-2300)

-30- 439
#90334c0276 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL R ACHIN OF P O BOX 99, JAMESTOWN, RI 02835, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH WILLIAM BARTON FINL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 419
#90334c0277 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES R BEATY OF 3056 37TH WEST, SEATTLE, WA 98199, HAS FILED TO SELL

7,500 SHARES OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. TEL: 206 881-7544)

-30- 424
#90334c0279 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVE W CASE OF 329 HUMBOLDT DR, HENDERSON, NV 89014, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,583 SHARES OF ATI MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: ATI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ATI MEDICAL INC. TEL: 818 502-9984)

-30- 404
#90334c0280 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SOLOMON S STEINER OF 24 OLD WAGON RD, MT KISCO, NY 10549, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. (TICKER: CTAI) THROUGH ROSENKRANTZ LYON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(CLINICAL TECHNOLOGIES ASSOC INC. TEL: 914 347-2220)

-30- 453
#90334c0281 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETW ER FRIEDELL OF 180 EAST PEARSON #6104, CHICAGO, IL 60610, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF MEDICAL IMAGING CENTERS OF AMERI (TICKER: MIKA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(MEDICAL IMAGING CENTERS OF AMERI TEL: 619 560-0110)

-30- 458
#90334c0282 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT E WOLF OF 628 W HORTTER ST, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19119, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CHECKPOINT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHEK) THROUGH FUHRMAN MATT SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(CHECKPOINT SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 609 848-1800)

-30- 425
#90334c0283 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLORIA W SIDNAM OF 780 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10019, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF KELLEY OIL CORP. (TICKER: KOIL) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(KELLEY OIL CORP. TEL: 212 838-5831)

-30- 403
#90334c0284 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES E TINNELL OF 2225 E FLAMINGO RD, LAS VEGAS, NV 89119, HAS FILED TO SELL 65,000 SHARES OF ZILA INC. (TICKER: ZILA) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ZILA INC. TEL: 602 957-7882)

-30- 395
#90334c0285 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LINDA J ZWIRLEIN OF 33 JESSICA PLACE, MARIETTA, GA 30062, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF T2 MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: TSQM) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(T2 MEDICAL INC. TEL: 404 442-2160)

-30- 409
#90334c0287 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANZ E LAZARUS OF 74 ALBION RD, WELLESLEY HILLS, MA 02181, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 429
#90334c0288 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL FRANK OF 628 MILL ST, WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,469 SHARES OF ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. (TICKER: EEI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. TEL: 716 684-8060)

-30- 430
#90334c0289 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCOTT FRANK OF 628 MILL ST, WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,469 SHARES OF ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. (TICKER: EEI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. TEL: 716 684-8060)

-30- 429
#90334c0290 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANTHONY N KAMIN OF 345 WEST FULLERTON, CHICAGO, IL 60614, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF INNOVET INC. (TICKER: IVET) THROUGH FIRST OPTIONS CHICAGO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(INNOVET INC. TEL: 407 394-0621)

-30- 398
#90334c0291 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD J MASSELLO OF 3264 FAIRFORD AVE, BRIDGEPORT, CT 06605, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF CITYTRUST BANCORP. (TICKER: CYT) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(CITYTRUST BANCORP. TEL: 203 385-4998)

-30- 428
#90334c0292 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WADDIE KHADDER OF 1414 KNOWLTON DR, SUNNYVALE, CA 94087, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC) THROUGH MORGAN

STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 408 432-1900)

-30- 423
#90334c0293 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENILWORTH TR OF 245 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10167, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. TEL: 212 272-2000)

-30- 432
#90334c0295 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN E SCOTT OF 267 MIDLAND AVE, MONTCLAIR, NJ 07042, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,000 SHARES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA IN (TICKER: ENSA) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA IN TEL: 201 589-3850)

-30- 453
#90334c0296 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JULIE A FRANK OF 628 MILL ST, WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,469 SHARES OF ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. (TICKER: EEI) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. TEL: 716 684-8060)

-30- 433
#90334c0297 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN D FOULKES OF 1256 SOUTH HALSEY DR, COUPEVILLE, WA 98239, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,200 SHARES OF TELLABS INC. (TICKER: TLAB) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(TELLABS INC. TEL: 708 969-8800)

-30- 401
#90334c0298 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TODD J ASHFORD OF 472 CLISE COURT, SAN JOSE, CA 95123, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF LOGIC DEVICES INC. (TICKER: LOGC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(LOGIC DEVICES INC. TEL: 408 720-8630)

-30- 414
#90334c0299 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOONG BEETECK OF 1209 ORANGE ST, WILMINGTON, DE 19801, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED LOGIC RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: AALR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ADVANCED LOGIC RESEARCH INC. TEL: 714 581-6770)

-30- 435
#90334c0300 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AMERICAN DIVERSIFIED ENTERPRISES OF 711 FIFTH AVE, 0, NEW YORK, NY 10022 HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ALLEGHENY & WESTERN ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: ALGH) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(ALLEGHENY & WESTERN ENERGY CORP. TEL: 304 343-4567)

-30- 492
#90334c0301 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING CORP OF 5101 IDS CENTER, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF CENTURY PARK PICTURE CORP. (TICKER: CPPC) THROUGH PARADISE VALLEY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(CENTURY PARK PICTURE CORP. TEL: 612 333-5100)

-30- 466

#90334c0303 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOEL WILENTZ OF 5811 SW 33 TERRACE, FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33312, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF POLYMERIX INC. (TICKER: PLXX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(POLYMERIX INC. TEL: 414 722-3451)

-30- 405
#90334c0304 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAYMOND O LOEN OF 16 BECKET ST, LAKE OSWEGO, OR 97035, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF SWIFT ENERGY CO. (TICKER: SFY) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 09, 1990.

(SWIFT ENERGY CO. TEL: 713 874-2700)

-30- 405
#90334c0305 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PEYTON S CARNES JR OF 2304 BARBADOS, WICHITA FALLS, TX 76308, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 401
#90334c0306 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WATERS ODORISIO RAPSON ROBINSON OF 1099 18TH ST, SUITE 2600, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF SCHIELD MANAGEMENT CO. (TICKER: SMCC) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(SCHIELD MANAGEMENT CO. TEL: 303 985-9999)

-30- 449
#90334c0307 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD H WALTER OF 9876 HAMPSTEAD CT, CINCINNATI, OH 45241, HAS FILED

TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MERIDIAN DIAGNOSTICS INC. (TICKER: KITS) THROUGH GRADISON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(MERIDIAN DIAGNOSTICS INC. TEL: 513 271-3700)

-30- 431
#90334c0308 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAMPBELL CHARLES E ASSOC INC OF 2148 EVANS RD, FLOSSMOUR, IL 60422, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,967 SHARES OF INTERCIM (TICKER: ITCM) THROUGH OPPENHEIMER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(INTERCIM TEL: 612 894-9010)

-30- 407
#90334c0309 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS L WRIGHT OF 11235 SORREL RIDSE LANE, OAKTON, VA 22124, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF SENIOR SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: SENR) THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(SENIOR SERVICE CORP. TEL: 203 961-0630)

-30- 403
#90334c0311 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COMM FEDERATION-RICHMOND JEWISH OF P O BOX 1575, RICHMOND, VA 23213, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW FINANCIAL I (TICKER: SCOT) THROUGH SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW FINANCIAL I TEL: 804 643-1811)

-30- 472
#90334c0312 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HIGHLANDER OIL CORP OF 3370 NORTH HAYDEN #177, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251, HAS FILED TO SELL 270,000 SHARES OF HAILEY ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: HECC) THROUGH R G DICKINSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(HAILEY ENERGY CORP. TEL: 915 676-8529)

-30- 432
#90334c0313 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL F COPP OF 2 MEADOW VIEW RD, WESTPORT, CT 06880, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF NOISE CANCELLATION TECHNOLOGIES (TICKER: NCTI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(NOISE CANCELLATION TECHNOLOGIES TEL: 203 259-4433)

-30- 445
#90334c0314 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 02, 1990 TO OCT 12, 1990, AMERICAN BANKERS INS GROUP ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN BANKERS INSUR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ABIG), BOUGHT 96,375 SHARES FROM $6.00 TO $7.57 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,752,537.

-30- 407
#90334c0315 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, CHARLES H PRICE II, CHAIRMAN OF AMERIBANC INC. (TICKER: ABNK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 173,730.

-30- 318
#90334c0316 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, EDWARD HAUGHEY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AKORN INC. (TICKER: AKRN), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90334c0317 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOHN C UPDIKE, DIR. OF ALICO INC. (TICKER: ALCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,200.

-30- 311
#90334c0319 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, STEPHEN M DUBRUL JR, DIR. OF ACME-CLEVELAND CORP. (TICKER: AMT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 318
#90334c0320 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 03, 1990 TO OCT 05, 1990, A RICHARD LIPPE, DIR. OF BIOMECHANICS CORP OF AMERICA (TICKER: BCAM), SOLD 15,000 SHARES FROM $1.52 TO $1.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90334c0321 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ROBERT P BASS JR, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,680.

-30- 329
#90334c0322 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, DANIEL E GILL, CHAIRMAN OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), SOLD 11,548 SHARES AT $61.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,228.

-30- 319
#90334c0323 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, PAUL T STOFFEL, DIR. OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORP. HLDG CO. (TICKER: BRCP), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $11.59 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 115,800.

-30- 337
#90334c0324 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 08, 1990 TO OCT 15, 1990, RICHARD A SHANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES FROM $4.25 TO $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600.

-30- 339
#90334c0325 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, HERBERT SOSMAN, VP OF CARTER-WALLACE INC. (TICKER: CAR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $46.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 310
#90334c0327 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 27, 1990 TO SEP 28, 1990, MANUEL J MOROUN, DIR. OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,681,625.

-30- 347
#90334c0328 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, ALBERT E WOLF, CHAIRMAN OF CHECKPOINT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHEK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 542,520.

-30- 332
#90334c0329 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, KASSAR FAMILY TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLCO PICTURES INC. (TICKER: CRC), BOUGHT 1,000,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,659,502.

-30- 361
#90334c0330 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 02, 1990 TO AUG 27, 1990, CURTIS A SAMPSON, PRES. OF COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSII), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES FROM $4.88 TO

$9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 772,094.

-30- 366
#90334c0331 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, RICHARD L CRANDALL, PRES. OF COMSHARE INC. (TICKER: CSRE), SOLD 10,600 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 253,118.

-30- 327
#90334c0332 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, ATLAS HOTELS INC, BEN. OWNER OF DATRONIC RENTAL CORP. (TICKER: DARC), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90334c0333 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, DWIGHT L STUART, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF DYNASTY CLASSICS CORP. (TICKER: DNST), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES FROM $6.25 TO $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,545,800.

-30- 387
#90334c0335 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, ROBERT A LAPETINA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EDO CORP. (TICKER: EDO), SOLD 13,870 SHARES FROM $4.00 TO $4.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,207.

-30- 353
#90334c0336 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, CLIFFORD J BUESINK, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,264.

-30- 346

#90334c0337 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, RICHARD L JOUTRAS, DIR. OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 262,000.

-30- 316
#90334c0338 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, WALTER L PHILLIPS, DIR. OF FIRST VIRGINIA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FVB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,116.

-30- 331
#90334c0339 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, SAUL I RECK, PRES. OF GODDARD INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GODD), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 230,105.

-30- 310
#90334c0340 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 09, 1990 TO OCT 25, 1990, WINTHROP C NEILSON, DIR. OF GUARDSMAN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: GPI), SOLD 4,300 SHARES FROM $8.63 TO $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,999.

-30- 347
#90334c0341 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, JOHN A SOFRO, VP OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF), SOLD 12,790 SHARES AT $26.17 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90334c0343 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JEFFREY A COLE, DIR. OF HARTMARX CORP. (TICKER: HMX),

BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 298
#90334c0344 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, PAUL F MILLER JR, DIR. OF HEWLETT-PACKARD CO. (TICKER: HWP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 318
#90334c0345 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, PAUL F MILLER JR, DIR. OF HEWLETT-PACKARD CO. (TICKER: HWP), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 315
#90334c0346 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, QUANTUM FUND NV, BEN. OWNER OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), BOUGHT 150,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 423,500.

-30- 317
#90334c0347 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MORTON I FUNGER, DIR. OF MADISON (JAMES) LTD. (TICKER: JML), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,678.

-30- 319
#90334c0348 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, JAMES P JIMIRRO, CHAIRMAN OF J2 COMMUNICATIONS (TICKER: JTWO), BOUGHT 39,999 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 625,999.

-30- 328

#90334c0349 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WILLIAM P OBERDORF, DIR. OF KEPTEL INC. (TICKER: KPTL), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 307
#90334c0351 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, WARREN H HABER, CHAIRMAN OF THE MEADOW GROUP INC. (TICKER: MDOW), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 220,000.

-30- 342
#90334c0352 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 13, 1990 TO OCT 26, 1990, M B MERRYMAN, PRES. OF MEDI MAIL INC. (TICKER: MMRX), SOLD 33,000 SHARES FROM $0.55 TO $0.77 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 156,443.

-30- 338
#90334c0353 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 11, 1990, JOSEPH F GLOUDEMAN, PRES. OF THE MACNEAL-SCHWENDLER CORP. (TICKER: MNS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 445,300.

-30- 354
#90334c0354 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, GARY E MISTLIN, OFFICER OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 316
#90334c0355 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 19, 1990 TO OCT 25, 1990, TORCHMARK CORP, BEN. OWNER OF NUEVO

ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 19,700 SHARES FROM $10.69 TO $10.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,146,883.

-30- 356
#90334c0356 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 19, 1990 TO OCT 25, 1990, UNITED INVESTORS MGMT CO, BEN. OWNER OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 19,700 SHARES FROM $10.69 TO $10.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,700.

-30- 362
#90334c0357 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PHILIP R CURRIER, DIR. OF NFS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: NFSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,750.

-30- 318
#90334c0359 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, GEORGE J RATCLIFFE JR, DIR. OF OLIN CORP. (TICKER: OLN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $29.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 302
#90334c0360 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, JOHN C KENEFICK, DIR. OF ORYX ENERGY CO. (TICKER: ORX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $42.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 311
#90334c0361 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 09, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), BOUGHT 309,402 SHARES FROM $20.81 TO $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,253,449.

-30- 412

#90334c0362 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, PACIFIC GAS & ELEC SVGS FUND, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 271,768 SHARES FROM $21.50 TO $23.54 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,253,449.

-30- 397
#90334c0363 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, RALPH D CROWLEY, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,970.

-30- 339
#90334c0364 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOSEPH E PERLE, PRES. OF PERLE SYSTEMS LTD. (TICKER: PERL), BOUGHT 27,000 SHARES AT $2.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 511,372.

-30- 317
#90334c0365 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 05, 1990 TO OCT 09, 1990, MARSHALL GELLER, DIR. OF PLAYERS INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: PLAY), SOLD 24,100 SHARES FROM $4.21 TO $4.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90334c0367 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, GARY A RASMUSSEN, PRES. OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), SOLD 52,000 SHARES AT $0.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 876,800.

-30- 342
#90334c0368 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 16, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, IRA S NORDLICHT, DIR. OF SPECTRAN CORP. (TICKER: SPTR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $2.13 TO $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,332.

-30- 336
#90334c0369 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 15, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, ERY W KEHAYA, CHAIRMAN OF STANDARD COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: STW), BOUGHT 11,500 SHARES FROM $6.63 TO $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,514,641.

-30- 365
#90334c0370 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, GEORGE T MALONEY, DIR. OF THE SUMMIT BANCORP. (TICKER: SUBN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 320
#90334c0371 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUL 11, 1990 TO OCT 26, 1990, JOHN A ROBERTSHAW JR, DIR. OF SOUTHWEST NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SWPA), BOUGHT 1,750 SHARES FROM $16.75 TO $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,200.

-30- 366
#90334c0372 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 05, 1990 TO OCT 22, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 32,383 SHARES FROM $16.88 TO $17.64 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,677,564.

-30- 370
#90334c0373 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, ROBERT J WEINBERG, VP OF TOYS 'R' US INC. (TICKER: TOY), SOLD 25,315 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90334c0375 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, JACK R HIATT, SHAREHOLDER OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90334c0376 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, GERALD R HEFFERNAN, DIR. OF TEXAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TXI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,000.

-30- 320
#90334c0377 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, NORMAN ELOWITZ, BEN. OWNER OF THE ULTIMATE CORP. (TICKER: ULT), BOUGHT 108,700 SHARES FROM $1.63 TO $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,032,300.

-30- 358
#90334c0378 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, ARROWHEAD HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF VESPER CORP. (TICKER: VESP), BOUGHT 819 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,204,914.

-30- 327
#90334c0379 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 23, 1990, ARROWHEAD HOLDINGS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF VESPER CORP. (TICKER: VESP), BOUGHT 13,296 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,204,914.

-30- 336
#90334c0380 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, STEPHEN BAKER JR, DIR. OF EXCEL BANCORP INC.,QUINCY (MA) (TICKER: XCEL), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,300.

-30- 335
#90334c0381 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, LANNY H MICHAEL, VP OF AIRBORNE FREIGHT CORP. (TICKER: ABF), SOLD 1,100 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,998.

-30- 316
#90334c0383 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOHN H DANIELS, SHAREHOLDER OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 432,000.

-30- 340
#90334c0384 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 08, 1990 TO OCT 19, 1990, RICHARD L MCINTIRE, DIR. OF ADVANCED MAGNETICS INC. (TICKER: ADMG), SOLD 8,600 SHARES FROM $9.40 TO $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,000.

-30- 358
#90334c0385 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 29, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, JAMES D SANSBURY, VP OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 25,000 SHARES FROM $9.13 TO $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 255,000.

-30- 331
#90334c0386 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ROGER A BARBER, PRES. OF ALEXANDER'S INC. (TICKER: ALX), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 307.

-30- 301
#90334c0387 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, GERALD C WOODWORTH JR, PRES. OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,250.

-30- 333
#90334c0388 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ALVIN G KELLER, DIR. OF AMPCO-PITTSBURGH CORP. (TICKER: AP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,333.

-30- 314
#90334c0389 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, RICHARD W HANSELMAN, DIR. OF ARVIN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ARV), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 329
#90334c0391 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ROBERT DIAMOND, DIR. OF ALLSTATE FINANCIAL CORP. (VA) (TICKER: ASFN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 331
#90334c0392 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, SAMUEL W CHIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ATARI CORP. (TICKER: ATC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,600.

-30- 318
#90334c0393 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, ALAN D SAVER, OFFICER OF AVEMCO CORP. (TICKER: AVE), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $21.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90334c0394 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, FRANK V CAHOUET, DIR. OF AVERY DENNISON CORP. (TICKER: AVY), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,468.

-30- 318
#90334c0395 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, THEO C RODGERS, DIR. OF BALTIMORE BANCORP. (TICKER: BBB), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES FROM $4.75 TO $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,208.

-30- 332
#90334c0396 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, MILTON O LUSTNAUER, DIR. OF BANCINSURANCE CORP. (TICKER: BCIS), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 273,310.

-30- 317
#90334c0397 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, EDWARD M GILLESPIE, DIR. OF BANKERS FIRST CORP. (TICKER: BNKF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,732.

-30- 320
#90334c0399 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JAMES P GREENAWALT, VP OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), SOLD 290 SHARES AT $61.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,020.

-30- 309
#90334c0400 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 22, 1990 TO OCT 29, 1990, DAVID HELLER, DIR. OF BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BORL), SOLD 23,000 SHARES FROM $23.63 TO $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,400.

-30- 348
#90334c0401 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, GEORGE J KUHRTS III, DIR. OF BSD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BSD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 315
#90334c0402 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 10, 1990, ROBERT G HILLIARD, DIR. OF CAROLINA FIRST CORP. (TICKER: CAFC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,590.

-30- 317
#90334c0403 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JOHN C ARGUE, DIR. OF CALFED INC. (TICKER: CAL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 294
#90334c0404 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, KENNETH O OLSEN, DIR. OF KARCHER (CARL) ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CARL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,750.

-30- 332
#90334c0405 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, DENNIS E BRADBY, VP OF CORRECTIONS CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: CCAX), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150.

-30- 321
#90334c0407 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, FRANK G LOUTHAN JR, DIR. OF CADMUS COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: CDMS), BOUGHT 850 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 149,144.

-30- 338
#90334c0408 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 03, 1990 TO OCT 04, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), SOLD 6,500 SHARES FROM $31.25 TO $31.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,892,976.

-30- 387
#90334c0409 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAY 31, 1990 TO NOV 01, 1990, HOWARD D MACKEY, CHAIRMAN OF CHARTER ONE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: CFED), BOUGHT 984 SHARES FROM $10.25 TO $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,120.

-30- 361
#90334c0410 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAR 28, 1990 TO APR 26, 1990, DANIEL C MURPHY, VP OF COGNITRONICS CORP. (TICKER: CGN), SOLD 3,059 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,059.

-30- 328
#90334c0411 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 26, 1990, LOEWS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CHA), BOUGHT 891,800 SHARES FROM $24.50 TO $26.00

PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,073,200.

-30- 361
#90334c0412 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ROBERT ALVINE, CHAIRMAN OF CHARTER POWER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 321,515.

-30- 333
#90334c0413 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 15, 1990 TO OCT 29, 1990, LEONARD L MAZUR, DIR. OF CHANTAL PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. (TICKER: CHTL), SOLD 51,000 SHARES FROM $1.75 TO $2.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,000.

-30- 361
#90334c0415 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, DON M BAILEY, PRES. OF COMARCO INC. (TICKER: CMRO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,000.

-30- 299
#90334c0416 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, THANE A SWISHER, VP OF CMI CORP. (TICKER: CMX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,870.

-30- 291
#90334c0417 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOHN L WESTERMANN, VP OF THE CONTINUUM CO. (TICKER: CNU), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,389.

-30- 310
#90334c0418 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUL 10, 1990 TO JUL 26, 1990, RALPH R SHAW, DIR. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 75,000 SHARES FROM $42.75 TO $47.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 537,500.

-30- 353
#90334c0419 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, FERGUSON JOHN H TTEE, TTEE OF CENTRAL & SOUTHERN HOLDING CO. (TICKER: CSBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,705.

-30- 345
#90334c0420 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, DONALD G CALDER, DIR. OF CARLISLE COS. (TICKER: CSL), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,840.

-30- 297
#90334c0421 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, STEPHEN P MUNN, PRES. OF CARLISLE COS. (TICKER: CSL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,600.

-30- 300
#90334c0423 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, G ROBERT SMITH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CORNERSTONE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSTN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,888.

-30- 353
#90334c0424 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JOHN M TERRAVECCHIA, PRES. OF CORNERSTONE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CSTN), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,638.

-30- 343
#90334c0425 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, CHARLES E RICKERSHAUSER JR, DIR. OF CITY NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CYN), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES FROM $12.00 TO $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,322.

-30- 341
#90334c0426 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 10, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, ROBERT W DIXON, DIR. OF CITYTRUST BANCORP. (TICKER: CYT), BOUGHT 25,300 SHARES FROM $1.50 TO $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,700.

-30- 346
#90334c0427 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, B J MOORE, DIR. OF DATA I/O CORP. (TICKER: DAIO), BOUGHT 2,200 SHARES FROM $2.25 TO $2.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 326
#90334c0428 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 16, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, BONNIE J BURTON, SHAREHOLDER OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 6,125 SHARES AT $82.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 333
#90334c0429 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, HENRY E BARTELS, DIR. OF DIME FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DIBK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 317

#90334c0431 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, JOSEPH J MONACO JR, DIR. OF DS BANCOR INC. (TICKER: DSBC), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 305
#90334c0432 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, RAYMOND B WITT JR, DIR. OF DIXIE YARNS INC. (TICKER: DXYN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,600.

-30- 310
#90334c0433 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JULIUS J ADORJAN, CHAIRMAN OF ESCO ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: ESE), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,715.

-30- 332
#90334c0434 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, CHARLES D GROVE, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN BANCORP. (OH) (TICKER: FASB), BOUGHT 735 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,482.

-30- 335
#90334c0435 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JAMES H HARRIS JR, DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL BANCORP. (GA) (TICKER: FBAC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,967.

-30- 332
#90334c0436 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, HARVEY S KLEIN, DIR. OF FIRST EASTERN CORP. (TICKER:

FEBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,222.

-30- 313
#90334c0437 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, STANFORD L WEISS, DIR. OF FIRST EASTERN CORP. (TICKER: FEBC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,916.

-30- 311
#90334c0439 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 09, 1990, JOEL H SCHMIDT, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 197 SHARES AT $40.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,900.

-30- 328
#90334c0440 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, THOMAS D ARTHUR, DIR. OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 326
#90334c0441 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, J DANFORTH BROWNE, DIR. OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 323
#90334c0442 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, HAROLD ROSENN, DIR. OF FRANKLIN FIRST FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FFFC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,740.

-30- 330
#90334c0443 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JOHN C SERAMUR, PRES. OF FIRST FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FFHC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,260.

-30- 322
#90334c0444 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JOHN M RUDEL, DIR. OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 310
#90334c0445 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, HARRY J BLOEM, DIR. OF FIRST MICHIGAN BANK CORP. (TICKER: FMBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,119.

-30- 325
#90334c0447 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAR 31, 1990 TO SEP 10, 1990, JOHN W SPOELHOF, DIR. OF FIRST MICHIGAN BANK CORP. (TICKER: FMBC), BOUGHT 5,999 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,951.

-30- 361
#90334c0448 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, FRANK BONGRAZIO, VP OF FIRST PEOPLES FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FPNJ), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 325
#90334c0449 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, RICHARD W STUMBO JR, OFFICER OF FIRSTMISS GOLD INC. (TICKER: FRMG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 325
#90334c0450 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, GEORGE P ABEL, DIR. OF FIRSTIER FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: FRST), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $30.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 305,306.

-30- 324
#90334c0451 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, THEODORE S FRIES, DIR. OF FEDERAL SIGNAL CORP. (TICKER: FSS), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,648.

-30- 310
#90334c0452 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 04, 1990 TO OCT 26, 1990, JOHN J EGART, PRES. OF FIRST TEAM SPORTS INC. (TICKER: FTSP), SOLD 12,300 SHARES FROM $5.19 TO $6.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 227,700.

-30- 351
#90334c0453 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 04, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, DAVID G SODERQUIST, PRES. OF FIRST TEAM SPORTS INC. (TICKER: FTSP), SOLD 15,300 SHARES FROM $5.13 TO $6.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 221,700.

-30- 362
#90334c0455 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, RICHARD G WOOLWORTH, DIR. OF FULTON FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FULT), BOUGHT 153 SHARES AT $13.99 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,836.

-30- 324
#90334c0456 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, E CABELL BRAND, AFFILIATED PERSON OF FIRST VIRGINIA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FVB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 351
#90334c0457 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DANIEL L YOUNG, OFFICER OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GDC), BOUGHT 885 SHARES AT $1.54 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,724.

-30- 329
#90334c0458 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, JOHN R KING, PRES. OF GOLD EXPRESS CORP. (TICKER: GDEX), BOUGHT 15,700 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 211,363.

-30- 324
#90334c0459 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, STUART K MCWALTER, DIR. OF GULF CANADA RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: GOU), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,980.

-30- 330
#90334c0460 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, RUSSELL N COX, DIR. OF GROSSMAN'S INC. (TICKER: GROS), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 300
#90334c0461 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 20, 1990 TO SEP 24, 1990, MAURICE GROSSMAN, DIR. OF GROSSMAN'S INC. (TICKER: GROS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES FROM $3.00 TO $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 340
#90334c0463 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, MARTIN S FELDSTEIN, DIR. OF GREAT WESTERN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GWF), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 342
#90334c0464 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, HARRY A SHAW III, DIR. OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 303
#90334c0465 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, CHARLES B CROWELL, CHAIRMAN OF AERO SERVICES INTL INC. (TICKER: AERO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 326
#90334c0466 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ROGER E ALLSOP, OFFICER OF HORSEHEAD RESOURCE DEV CO. (TICKER: HHRD), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 345
#90334c0467 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, DON L FRUGE, DIR. OF HANCOCK FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HKF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES FROM $33.75 TO $33.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 500.

-30- 319
#90334c0468 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 28, 1990 TO OCT 05, 1990, LEE E GRAY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF HMG COURTLAND PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HMG), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES FROM $5.25 TO $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,200.

-30- 383
#90334c0469 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, MALCOLM W GAMBILL, PRES. OF HARSCO CORP. (TICKER: HSC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $20.38 TO $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,070.

-30- 318
#90334c0471 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, HAWKEYE BANCORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF HAWKEYE BANCORP. (TICKER: HWKB), BOUGHT 31,200 SHARES FROM $6.13 TO $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 818,311.

-30- 361
#90334c0472 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 02, 1990, WILFORD B FULTZ, DIR. OF ICO INC. (TICKER: ICOC), SOLD 13,000 SHARES FROM $2.38 TO $2.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,000.

-30- 323
#90334c0473 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, R DAVE GARWOOD, DIR. OF INTERMEC CORP. (TICKER: INTR), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,500.

-30- 304

#90334c0474 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 26, 1990 TO OCT 29, 1990, CLIFFORD H R DUPREE, OFFICER OF INSPIRATION RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: IRC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 362
#90334c0475 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, THOMAS A MCAULEY, DIR. OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,250.

-30- 311
#90334c0476 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 17, 1990 TO OCT 22, 1990, CLAUDE S ABERNETHY JR, DIR. OF INTERSTATE-JOHNSON LANE INC. (TICKER: IS), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES FROM $2.50 TO $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 89,890.

-30- 374
#90334c0477 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, ELMON L VERNIER JR, SHAREHOLDER OF INTERSTATE-JOHNSON LANE INC. (TICKER: IS), SOLD 70,674 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90334c0479 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, GEORGE W SQUIRES, OFFICER OF JB'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: JBBB), BOUGHT 800 SHARES FROM $4.38 TO $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 332
#90334c0480 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, THOMAS E DUGGAN, OFFICER OF QUEST FOR VALUE DUAL PURPOSE

FUND INC. (TICKER: KFV), BOUGHT 800 SHARES FROM $10.25 TO $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 364
#90334c0481 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, HAROLD A HOROWITZ, DIR. OF KERKHOFF INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: KIX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 317
#90334c0482 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, JAMES G PATTERSON, OFFICER OF KELLEY OIL CORP. (TICKER: KOIL), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 316
#90334c0483 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, BARBARA K TOOMEY, DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), SOLD 11,600 SHARES AT $37.91 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 306,675.

-30- 319
#90334c0484 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, DONALD J FEERICK, DIR. OF LIONEL CORP. (TICKER: LIO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 301
#90334c0485 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, JOHN K SAER, OFFICER OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 270

#90334c0487 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, RODNEY C PERKINS, CHAIRMAN OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 12,500 SHARES AT $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,234.

-30- 311
#90334c0488 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, MICHAEL J TAVLIN, VP OF LINCOLN TELECOMMUNICATIONS CO. (TICKER: LTEC), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 169.

-30- 330
#90334c0489 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, WILLIAM T HUGHES, PRES. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,600.

-30- 333
#90334c0490 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, CHARLES N WINNER, DIR. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,850.

-30- 332
#90334c0491 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 23, 1990, WERNER F WOLFEN, DIR. OF NATIONAL MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MBLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,730.

-30- 335
#90334c0492 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, A WILLIAM BLAKE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF MARYLAND FEDERAL

BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MFSL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,032.

-30- 347
#90334c0493 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, DANIEL R DOUCETTE, SHAREHOLDER OF MILWAUKEE INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: MILW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 355
#90334c0495 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, Z P SAPERSTEIN, OFFICER OF MODINE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: MODI), SOLD 906 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,281.

-30- 332
#90334c0496 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, BYRON B WEBB JR, DIR. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 274 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,290.

-30- 322
#90334c0497 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, EARL K DILLE, DIR. OF MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MTRC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 318
#90334c0498 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ROBERT W STALEY, DIR. OF MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MTRC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 312
#90334c0499 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 31, 1990 TO NOV 01, 1990, WAYNE D MCCLAY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MINVEN GOLD CORP. (TICKER: MVG), SOLD 22,500 SHARES AT $0.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,700.

-30- 354
#90334c0500 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, SCOTT M HAND, VP OF INCO LTD. (TICKER: N), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,631.

-30- 278
#90334c0501 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, EDWARD A HORRIGAN JR, DIR. OF NCNB CORP. (TICKER: NCB), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 301
#90334c0503 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, LEO W KING, VP OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CMNTY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NCCB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,040.

-30- 338
#90334c0504 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, LEO W KING, VP OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CMNTY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NCCB), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,250.

-30- 344
#90334c0505 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, DIANE MARILYN MIETZEL, OFFICER OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

CMNTY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NCCB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,019.

-30- 364
#90334c0506 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 17, 1990 TO OCT 26, 1990, MITCH LEIGH, SHAREHOLDER OF NEW LINE CINEMA CORP. (TICKER: NLN), BOUGHT 36,027 SHARES FROM $6.50 TO $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600,000.

-30- 356
#90334c0507 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, ANTHONY J NANIA, DIR. OF NEWMIL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NMSB), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 314
#90334c0508 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, KIRTLAND C GARDNER III, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NATIONAL PATENT DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: NPD), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 373
#90334c0509 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, PATSY L HATTOX, VP OF NICHOLS RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: NRES), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,196.

-30- 315
#90334c0511 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WILLIAM M REYNOLDS JR, DIR. OF NBSC CORP. (TICKER: NSCB), BOUGHT 157 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,118.

-30- 302
#90334c0512 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, MARVIN D TRAPP, CHAIRMAN OF NBSC CORP. (TICKER: NSCB), BOUGHT 108 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,372.

-30- 297
#90334c0513 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, THOMAS C HOSTER, OFFICER OF OCTEL COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: OCTL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 330
#90334c0514 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, DAVID E GORE, PRES. OF TRITON ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: OIL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,178.

-30- 310
#90334c0515 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, ROGER L SHINGLETON, VP OF PACIFIC NUCLEAR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PACN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 336
#90334c0516 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, JOHN V PETRYCKI, DIR. OF PARIS BUSINESS FORMS INC. (TICKER: PBFI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 323
#90334c0517 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, WOODBURY C TITCOMB, PRES. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,186.

-30- 345
#90334c0519 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JAMES D BOLIN, VP OF PERLE SYSTEMS LTD. (TICKER: PERL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,400.

-30- 304
#90334c0520 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, DAVID H GREIG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PERLE SYSTEMS LTD. (TICKER: PERL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,055.

-30- 334
#90334c0521 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 30, 1990, JOHN D LANGFORD, OFFICER OF PERLE SYSTEMS LTD. (TICKER: PERL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,400.

-30- 321
#90334c0522 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, WESTON L BONNEY, CHAIRMAN OF PEOPLES HERITAGE FINL GROUP INC. (TICKER: PHBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,490.

-30- 349
#90334c0523 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, EVERETT W GRAY, DIR. OF PEOPLES HERITAGE FINL GROUP INC. (TICKER: PHBK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 337
#90334c0524 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ROBERT A MARDEN, DIR. OF PEOPLES HERITAGE FINL GROUP INC. (TICKER: PHBK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,550.

-30- 339
#90334c0525 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, EARL HARRIS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HARRIS (PAUL) STORES INC. (TICKER: PHRS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,022.

-30- 348
#90334c0527 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, STEVEN C WALSKE, PRES. OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 240,000.

-30- 336
#90334c0528 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, GUIDO MALACARNE, DIR. OF THE PENN TRAFFIC CO. (TICKER: PNF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.74 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,639,700.

-30- 321
#90334c0529 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, GERALD E RUDMAN, DIR. OF PENOBSCOT SHOE CO. (TICKER: PSO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 327

#90334c0530 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, GARY W ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 40,278 SHARES FROM $8.42 TO $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,390,219.

-30- 381
#90334c0531 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, O WAYNE ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 18,357 SHARES FROM $8.42 TO $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,845,071.

-30- 383
#90334c0532 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 45,565 SHARES FROM $8.42 TO $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,483,324.

-30- 384
#90334c0533 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, TERENCE W KEENAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RIVER FOREST BANCORP. (TICKER: RFBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 351
#90334c0535 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 23, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, EDWARD M BRONFMAN, DIR. OF RANGER OIL LTD. (TICKER: RGO), BOUGHT 49,458 SHARES FROM $8.50 TO $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,000.

-30- 343
#90334c0536 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, WALLACE BARNES, DIR. OF ROHR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RHR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 295
#90334c0537 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JACK D STEELE, DIR. OF ROHR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RHR), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 297
#90334c0538 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 27, 1990, JAMES C CHAPLIN IV, DIR. OF RYMAC MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CORP. (TICKER: RM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 334
#90334c0539 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, ROBERT R PEACOCK, CHAIRMAN OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 86,418.

-30- 331
#90334c0540 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, DAVID E FORESTER, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,900.

-30- 295
#90334c0541 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, JOHN W STEELE III, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), SOLD 2,800 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,450.

-30- 296
#90334c0543 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, LAWRENCE R HELFAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,025.

-30- 372
#90334c0544 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, WILLIAM E LEWELLEN, DIR. OF RMI TITANIUM CO. (TICKER: RTI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 314
#90334c0545 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, STAN R SEAGLE, OFFICER OF RMI TITANIUM CO. (TICKER: RTI), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,100.

-30- 314
#90334c0546 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUL 10, 1990 TO AUG 29, 1990, AUGUSTINE A FORNATARO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SALEM CORP. (TICKER: SBS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES FROM $6.25 TO $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,117.

-30- 359
#90334c0547 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, REGINALD R BAXTER, DIR. OF SUN ELECTRIC CORP. (TICKER: SE), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 330
#90334c0548 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, GORDON H HUBER JR, DIR. OF SFFED CORP. (TICKER: SFFD),

BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,051.

-30- 297
#90334c0549 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ALAN E ROTHENBERG, DIR. OF SFFED CORP. (TICKER: SFFD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 302
#90334c0551 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 05, 1990 TO OCT 02, 1990, MARION G TOMLIN, VP OF SHARED MEDICAL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: SMED), BOUGHT 291 SHARES FROM $11.80 TO $12.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,325.

-30- 355
#90334c0552 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 28, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, THORNTON H YANCEY, DIR. OF SOUTHERN NATIONAL CORP. (NC) (TICKER: SNAT), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES FROM $8.50 TO $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 109,000.

-30- 360
#90334c0553 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, EARL D MCLEAN JR, DIR. OF THE SOUTHERN CO. (TICKER: SO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,697.

-30- 303
#90334c0554 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, ISRAEL ROSENZWEIG, DIR. OF STATE-O-MAINE INC. (TICKER: SOME), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 317
#90334c0555 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAY 09, 1990 TO OCT 18, 1990, EMORY O CUNNINGHAM, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 5,559 SHARES FROM $14.13 TO $17.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,848.

-30- 346
#90334c0556 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, ROBERT D TUTTLE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SPX CORP. (TICKER: SPW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,224.

-30- 319
#90334c0557 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, MICHAEL HARATUNIAN, PRES. OF STV ENGINEERS INC. (TICKER: STVI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,800.

-30- 320
#90334c0559 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, THOMAS D SAYLES JR, DIR. OF THE SUMMIT BANCORP. (TICKER: SUBN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,523.

-30- 318
#90334c0560 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, SAMUEL F PRYOR IV, DIR. OF SYLVAN FOODS HLDGS INC. (TICKER: SYLN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES FROM $5.75 TO $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,581.

-30- 354
#90334c0561 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, PAUL E FREIMAN, CHAIRMAN OF SYNTEX CORP. (TICKER: SYN),

SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $55.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,094.

-30- 308
#90334c0562 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, TECHNOLOGY FOR COMM ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF TCI INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: TCII), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 932,988.

-30- 338
#90334c0563 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MICHAEL J MCBRIDE, DIV. OFFICER OF THOMAS & BETTS CORP. (TICKER: TNB), SOLD 350 SHARES AT $43.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,963.

-30- 329
#90334c0564 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 25, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, WILBUR L CREECH, DIR. OF TRANSNATIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRSL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES FROM $0.63 TO $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 352
#90334c0565 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, LEE M PARKER, VP OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: TT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 303
#90334c0567 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, WILLIAM J WILLIAMS, DIR. OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 308

#90334c0568 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 31, 1990 TO NOV 01, 1990, GORDON E CROSBY JR, CHAIRMAN OF USLIFE CORP. (TICKER: USH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES FROM $23.88 TO $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 121,417.

-30- 342
#90334c0569 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 31, 1990, KAREN A KREPPS, VP OF UNITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: UT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $25.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 326
#90334c0570 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 25, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, JANET J PETERS, VP OF VF CORP. (TICKER: VFC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES FROM $14.75 TO $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,100.

-30- 317
#90334c0571 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, WILLIAM A PATTON, CHAIRMAN OF VIRGINIA FIRST SVGS BANKS FSB (TICKER: VFSB), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 226,296.

-30- 352
#90334c0572 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 24, 1990 TO OCT 26, 1990, DAVID J LADD, VP OF VMX INC. (TICKER: VMXI), SOLD 20,000 SHARES FROM $1.00 TO $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 903,272.

-30- 316
#90334c0573 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 11, 1990 TO OCT 12, 1990, BENJAMIN GETTLER, PRES. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES FROM $13.50 TO $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,186.

-30- 354
#90334c0575 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, MARVIN H BERKELEY, DIR. OF WESTBRIDGE CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: WBC), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,300.

-30- 322
#90334c0576 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, GERRY F MCDOUGALL, DIR. OF WASHINGTON ENERGY CO. (TICKER: WECO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $20.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,521.

-30- 324
#90334c0577 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, WILLIAM J DEASY, DIR. OF WEST ONE BANCORP (TICKER: WEST), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 313
#90334c0578 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, RICHARD L LOWE, PRES. OF WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: WEXC), SOLD 24,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 376,195.

-30- 329
#90334c0579 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 17, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, C GORHAM PHILLIPS, DIR. OF WIENER ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: WPB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES FROM $1.75 TO $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 349
#90334c0580 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, DAVID C JONES, DIR. OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $32.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 282
#90334c0581 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, NORMAN E RICKARD, VP OF XEROX CORP. (TICKER: XRX), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $31.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 203.

-30- 287
#90334c0583 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W HAYNE HIPP OF WADE HAMPTON BLVD, PO BOX 789, GREENVILLE, SC 29602, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC) THROUGH DILLON READ & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(THE LIBERTY CORP. TEL: 803 268-8111)

-30- 410
#90334c0584 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN G PACEY OF 1201 HAWKINS WAY, PEBBLE BCH, CA 93953, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 275-1444)

-30- 408
#90334c0585 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - IVAN A NAZARIO OF 7179 ANJOU CREEK CIRCLE, 0, SAN JOSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,015 SHARES OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(QUANTUM CORP. TEL: 408 432-1100)

-30- 405
#90334c0586 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHESTER J SILVESTRI OF 950 DEGUINE AVE, SUNNYVALE, CA 94088, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. TEL: 408 720-1700)

-30- 431
#90334c0587 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANTHONY B EVNIN OF 24 HAIGHTS CROSS RD, CHAPPAQUA, NY 10514, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(APPLE COMPUTER INC. TEL: 408 996-1010)

-30- 418
#90334c0588 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MORSE LIVING TRUST OF 1220 CHARLESTON RD, PO BOX 7393, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

-30- 422
#90334c0589 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LANDMARK VENTURE PARTNERS LP OF 920 HOPMEADOW ST, P O BOX 188, FINSBURY, CT 06070, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,253 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 490
#90334c0591 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREDERICK M ALGER OF 75 MAIDEN LANE, NEW YORK, NY 10038, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF CASTLE CONVERTIBLE FUND INC. (TICKER: CVF) THROUGH FRED ALGER & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(CASTLE CONVERTIBLE FUND INC. TEL: 212 806-8800)

-30- 440
#90334c0592 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RODGER B DOWDELL OF 180 LEGEND ROCK RD, WAKEFIELD, RI 02879, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,500 SHARES OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 15, 1990.

(AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. TEL: 401 789-5735)

-30- 452
#90334c0593 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEOFFREY W GATES OF 15023 NORTH 1ST STREET, PHOENIX, AZ 85022, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,800 SHARES OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(SYNTELLECT INC. TEL: 602 789-2800)

-30- 406
#90334c0594 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - IMA J EMERSON OF 4007 FAIRLAKES, DALLAS, TX 75228, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 214 638-7686)

-30- 433
#90334c0595 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KUSLIMA SHOGEN OF 428 CEDAR GROVE LANE, SOMERSET, NJ 08873, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF ALFACELL CORP. (TICKER: ACEL) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(ALFACELL CORP. TEL: 201 748-8082)

-30- 402
#90334c0596 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PATSY L HATTOX OF 700 RANDOLPH AVE, HUNTSVILLE, AL 35801, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,940 SHARES OF NICHOLS RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: NRES) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 13, 1990.

(NICHOLS RESEARCH CORP. TEL: 205 883-1140)

-30- 425
#90334c0597 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DENNIS SCHUMACHER OF 10503 WASHINGTON BLVD NE, BLAINE, MN 55434, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,250 SHARES OF BIOPLASTY INC. (TICKER: BIOP) THROUGH VAN CLEMENS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 16, 1990.

(BIOPLASTY INC. TEL: 612 636-4112)

-30- 407
#90334c0599 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAYES FRANCES P TRUST OF 5656 BLACKWELL, FOUR NORTHPARK EAST, DALLAS, TX 75231, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ORYX ENERGY CO. (TICKER: ORX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ORYX ENERGY CO. TEL: 214 890-5000)

-30- 432
#90334c0600 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E P SMOOT OF 318 APOLINA AVE, BALBOA ISLAND, CA 92662, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF PARK ELECTROCHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: PKE) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(PARK ELECTROCHEMICAL CORP. TEL: 516 354-4100)

-30- 432
#90334c0601 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN C WALSKE OF 147 THORNDIKE ST, BROOKLINE, MA 02154, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 437
#90334c0602 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCOTT C CHEN OF 873 HAMPSWOOD WAY,
SAN JS OSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,300 SHARES OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(KOMAG INC. TEL: 408 946-2707)

-30- 388
#90334c0603 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALFRED M ZEIEN OF 185 OLD PICKARD RD, CONCORD, MA 01742, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,100 SHARES OF THE GILLETTE CO. (TICKER: GS) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(THE GILLETTE CO. TEL: 617 421-7000)

-30- 403
#90334c0604 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL FRANKENBERG OF 5700 COVINGTON CIRCLE, MINNETONKA, MN 55345, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,335 SHARES OF SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SMLS) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 612 470-0700)

-30- 448
#90334c0605 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P DARYL BROWN OF 1709 MERRYVALE RD, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35216, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. (TICKER: HRC) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION CORP. TEL: 205 967-7116)

-30- 453
#90334c0607 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALAN J RUBIN OF 17183 RYTON LANE, BOCA RATON, FL 33496, HAS FILED TO SELL 46,512 SHARES OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(DELL COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 512 338-4400)

-30- 413
#90334c0608 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN DOLPHIN OF 520 STATION AVE, 0, GLENSIDE, PA 19038, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,271 SHARES OF FIRST EASTERN CORP. (TICKER: FEBC) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(FIRST EASTERN CORP. TEL: 717 826-4623)

-30- 415
#90334c0609 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD A WINTHER OF 120 SARATOGA AVE, SUITE 82, SANTA CLARA, CA 95051, HAS FILED TO SELL 85,335 SHARES OF MASS MICROSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MMIC) THROUGH PENN MERCHANT GRP LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(MASS MICROSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 522-1200)

-30- 444
#90334c0610 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GALWAY HOLDINGS LTD OF 1800 GUNTER AVE, GUNTERSVILLE, AL 35976, HAS FILED TO SELL 54,512 SHARES OF COMPTRONIX CORP. (TICKER: CMPX) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(COMPTRONIX CORP. TEL: 205 582-1800)

-30- 419
#90334c0611 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ECKHARD PFEIFFER OF 20555 SH 249, HOUSTON, TX 77070, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 713 370-0670)

-30- 419
#90334c0612 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED B TARTER OF 9 DAVIS DRIVE, ARMONK, NY 10504, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF VENTURA ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LTD. (TICKER: VEGG) THROUGH ADVEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(VENTURA ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LTD. TEL: 818 762-8700)

-30- 440
#90334c0613 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID M LONG JR OF 10988 HORIZON HILLS RD, EL CAJON, CA 92020, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ALLIANCE PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. (TICKER: ALLP) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ALLIANCE PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. TEL: 619 558-4327)

-30- 450
#90334c0615 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L SCHWARTZ OF 1700 GREEN HILLS RD, SCOTTS VALLEY, CA 95066, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BORL) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26,

1990.

(BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 408 438-8400)

-30- 446
#90334c0616 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORMAN L RITTER OF 4332 BLACK FOREST LANE, WEST LAFAYETTE, IN 47906, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF GREAT LAKES CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: GLK) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(GREAT LAKES CHEMICAL CORP. TEL: 317 497-6100)

-30- 449
#90334c0617 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HENRY LESSER OF 7 BRUCE CIRCLE, RANDOLPH, MA 02368, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF MARCAM CORP. (TICKER: MCAM) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(MARCAM CORP. TEL: 617 965-0220)

-30- 391
#90334c0618 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C O TED COLLINS JR OF P O BOX 27, 0, MIDLAND, TX 79702, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF SEAGULL ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: SGO) THROUGH CANTOR FITZGERALD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(SEAGULL ENERGY CORP. TEL: 713 951-4700)

-30- 423
#90334c0619 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DUANE F ANDERSON OF 7474 CAHILL RD, EDINA, MN 55435, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF APA OPTICS INC. (TICKER: APAT) THROUGH SUMMIT INVSTMNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(APA OPTICS INC. TEL: 612 784-4995)

-30- 405
#90334c0620 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROCK FOUNDATION OF ONE MARTIME PLAZA #1220, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(INTEL CORP. TEL: 408 765-8080)

-30- 407
#90334c0621 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L CRANDALL OF 2129 DEVONSHIRE RD, ANN ARBOR, MI 48104, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,600 SHARES OF COMSHARE INC. (TICKER: CSRE) THROUGH CHICAGO CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(COMSHARE INC. TEL: 313 747-9909)

-30- 401
#90334c0623 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH V NORDLING OF 6411 TIMBER RIDGE RD, EDINA, MN 55439, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,250 SHARES OF CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. (TICKER: CESH) THROUGH R J STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. TEL: 515 224-1995)

-30- 430
#90334c0624 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE E KLINE OF 4750 IDS CENTER, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF TECHNE CORP. (TICKER: TECH) THROUGH R J STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(TECHNE CORP. TEL: 612 379-8854)

-30- 394
#90334c0625 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PIERRE R LAMOND OF 167 ISABELLA AVE, ATHERTON, CA 94027, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 415
#90334c0626 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - REES JAMES E CHARITABLE TR OF TREDEGAR ST, RICHMOND, VA 23219, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR) THROUGH ROYAL ALLIANCE ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(JAMES RIVER CORP. TEL: 804 644-5411)

-30- 430
#90334c0627 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SOLARI-LANE TRUST II OF P O BOX 900, WATSONVILLE, CA 95077, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC. (TICKER: GCCO) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC. TEL: 408 724-1011)

-30- 440
#90334c0628 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES A PESCE OF 603 SPRUCE CT, BOONTON TOWNSHIP, NJ 07005, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS) THROUGH ERNST & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 201 731-9252)

-30- 425
#90334c0629 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM C DONELSON OF 10284 ALPINE DR #1, CUPERTINO, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 48,869 SHARES OF MASS MICROSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MMIC) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(MASS MICROSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 522-1200)

-30- 431
#90334c0631 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUZANNE MCMILLAN OF 230 EAST 73RD ST, APT 7G, NEW YORK, NY 10021, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,000 SHARES OF TIFFANY & CO. (TICKER: TIF) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(TIFFANY & CO. TEL: 212 605-4423)

-30- 409
#90334c0632 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARILYN SCHRAGER OF 2939 JUDITH DR, BELLEMORE, NY 11710, HAS FILED TO SELL 68,011 SHARES OF POLYMERIX INC. (TICKER: PLXX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(POLYMERIX INC. TEL: 201 633-7600)

-30- 404
#90334c0633 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES E REES OF 14225 LORA DRIVE #5, LOS GATOS, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 48,879 SHARES OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(JAMES RIVER CORP. TEL: 804 644-5411)

-30- 408
#90334c0634 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERVIN F LYON OF 25 HERITAGE DR, LEXINGTON, MA 02173, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC) THROUGH JOSEPHTHAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. TEL: 401 789-5735)

-30- 442
#90334c0635 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAULSELL FREDERICK O JR TTEE OF 10809 120TH AVE N E, KIRKLAND, WA 98083, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH FOSTER-PAULSELL-BAKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 461
#90334c0636 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STONE FAMILY FOUNDATION OF 150 N MICHIGAN AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60601, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO) THROUGH MESIROW INVSTMNT SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(STONE CONTAINER CORP. TEL: 312 580-4600)

-30- 444
#90334c0637 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HENRY E BLAIR OF 3760 MAIN STREET, P O BOX 648, BARNSTABLE, MA 02630, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF GENZYME CORP. (TICKER: GENZ) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(GENZYME CORP. TEL: 617 252-7500)

-30- 407
#90334c0639 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES L CLAYTON OF P O BOX 15169, NEW TOPSIDE DR AT ALCOA HWY, KNOXVILLE TN 37901, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF CLAYTON HOMES INC. (TICKER: CMH) THROUGH MORGAN KEEGAN & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26 1990.

(CLAYTON HOMES INC. TEL: 615 970-7200)

-30- 444
#90334c0640 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL C HAWLEY OF 2525 FILBERT ST, 0, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94123, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF THE GILLETTE CO. (TICKER: GS) THROUGH SHAWMUT BRKG SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(THE GILLETTE CO. TEL: 617 421-7000)

-30- 408
#90334c0641 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RALPH A EATZ OF 1350 TREEBROOK CT, 0, ROSWELL, GA 30070, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF IMMUCOR INC. (TICKER: BLUD) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(IMMUCOR INC. TEL: 404 441-2051)

-30- 396
#90334c0642 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR F MICHAELIS OF C/O CONTROL THERAPUETICS, ONE TECHNOLOGY CT, MALVERN, PA 19355, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES IN (TICKER: AMA) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ADVANCED MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES IN TEL: 415 291-8801)

-30- 495
#90334c0643 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD ABRAMSON OF 1298 PENLLYN BLUE BELL PIKE, 0, BLUE BELL, PA 19422, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 25, 1990.

(U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. TEL: 215 540-0910)

-30- 437
#90334c0644 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUNWESTERN VENTURES LTD OF 12221 MERIT DR, SUITE 1300, DALLAS, TX 75251,

HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF ENCLEAN INC. (TICKER: ENCL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ENCLEAN INC. TEL: 713 331-8335)

-30- 417
#90334c0645 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VOORHEES SUSAN 1982 TRUST OF 1688 PHOENIX PKWY, COLLEGE PARK, GA 30349, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: ASAI) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES INC. TEL: 404 996-4562)

-30- 484
#90334c0647 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAROL WHITFIELD OF 640 CLYDE CT, MTN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(CONSILIUM INC. TEL: 415 691-6100)

-30- 402
#90334c0648 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GENERAL ATLANTIC GRP LTD OF 8615 WESTWOOD CENTER DR, VIENNA, VA 22182, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,000 SHARES OF LEGENT CORP. (TICKER: LGNT) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(LEGENT CORP. TEL: 703 734-9494)

-30- 420
#90334c0649 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EARL E BAKKEN OF 5424 WEST BAVARIAN PASS, FRIDLEY, MN 55432, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,400 SHARES OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(MEDTRONIC INC. TEL: 612 574-4000)

-30- 403
#90334c0650 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD J DEPIANO OF ONE GREAT VALLEY PKWY, STE 20, MALVERN, PA 19355, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,603 SHARES OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 647-8277)

-30- 470
#90334c0651 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALTER BAUMGARTNER OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,956 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 421
#90334c0652 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S STEEL & CARNEGIE PENSION F OF 767 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10153, HAS FILED TO SELL 300,000 SHARES OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(USX CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 419
#90334c0653 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S STEEL & CARNEGIE PENSION F OF 767 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10153, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(USX CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 419
#90334c0655 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES K GOODWIN OF 7357 EASTBORNE RD, CINCINNATI, OH 45255, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,400 SHARES OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG) THROUGH QUICK & REILLY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. TEL: 513 983-1100)

-30- 417
#90334c0656 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL H MASLAK OF 1220 CHARLESTON ROAD, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

-30- 403
#90334c0657 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EUGENE F BARTH OF C/O INTERWEST PARTNERS, 3000 SAND HILL RD, #3-255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,813 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

-30- 464
#90334c0658 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PIERRE R LAMOND OF 167 ISABELLA AVE, ATHERTON, CA 94027, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,889 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 413
#90334c0659 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PRL ASSOCIATES PSPP & TR OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,956 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 432
#90334c0660 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE M RYAN OF 4320 MEADOW VIEW PARK, ENCINO, CA 91316, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,956 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 414
#90334c0661 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAM S SRINIVASAN OF 1011 JOSHUA PLACE, FREMONT, CA 94539, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(CIRRUS LOGIC INC. TEL: 415 226-2209)

-30- 414
#90334c0663 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT S LEFF OF 200 CONTINENTAL BLVD, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF MERISEL INC. (TICKER: MSEL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(MERISEL INC. TEL: 213 615-3080)

-30- 398
#90334c0664 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRIGHTSTONE FUND II OF 6751 OXFORD ST, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,000 SHARES OF DIGI INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: DGII) THROUGH WESTONKA INVTS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(DIGI INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 612 922-8055)

-30- 433
#90334c0665 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RON BERGER OF 717 SE 27TH, GRESHAM, OR 97080, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,615 SHARES OF RENTRAK CORP. (TICKER: RENT) THROUGH BATEMAN EICHLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(RENTRAK CORP. TEL: 503 284-7581)

-30- 381
#90334c0666 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL M MILLER OF 7205 ROTHERWOOD DR, KNOXVILLE, TN 37919, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF SERV-TECH INC. (TICKER: STEC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(SERV-TECH INC. TEL: 713 644-9974)

-30- 407
#90334c0667 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WEXNER FOUNDATION OF 41 SOUTH HIGH STREET, COLUMBUS, OH 43215, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF THE LIMITED INC. (TICKER: LTD) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(THE LIMITED INC. TEL: 614 479-7000)

-30- 415
#90334c0668 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES R BEATY OF 3056 37TH WEST, SEATTLE, WA 98199, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. TEL: 206 881-7544)

-30- 426
#90334c0669 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT G GARGUS OF 20565 DEBBIE LANE, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF TANDEM COMPUTERS INC. (TICKER: TDM) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(TANDEM COMPUTERS INC. TEL: 408 725-6000)

-30- 415
#90334c0671 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN D FISHER OF 602 NORTH TAMARISK ST, CHANDLER, AZ 85224, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF ORBITAL SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: ORBI) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(ORBITAL SCIENCES CORP. TEL: 703 631-3600)

-30- 426
#90334c0672 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRENDAN A MCLAUGHLIN OF 1817 LACKLAND DR, DANVILLE, CA 94526, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 433-3340)

-30- 436
#90334c0673 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIMBERLEE C GRAVINK OF 5210 E BECK LANE, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85254, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,000 SHARES OF TWIN STAR PRODTNS INC. (TICKER: TWIN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(TWIN STAR PRODTNS INC. TEL: 602 951-5500)

-30- 427
#90334c0674 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT G BUTCHER JR OF 308 CHESWICK LANE, RICHMOND, VA 23229, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF INVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INVF) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(INVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 804 323-4500)

-30- 443
#90334c0675 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - IRENE BRIER OF 527 GREYSTONE RD, MERION, PA 19066, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF XSIRIUS INC. (TICKER: XSIR) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(XSIRIUS INC. TEL: 213 578-6655)

-30- 382
#90334c0676 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL D SCHALLER OF 6607 KAISER DR, FREMONT, CA 94555, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF VITALINK COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: VITA) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(VITALINK COMMUNICATIONS CORP. TEL: 415 795-6116)

-30- 443
#90334c0677 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUCE M EISEN OF 87 CAMBRIDGE PARK DR, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02140, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,425 SHARES OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. TEL: 617 876-1170)

-30- 429
#90334c0679 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM N HUBBARD JR OF 4630 HICKORY POINT, HICKORY CORNERS, MI 49060, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,063 SHARES OF THE UPJOHN CO. (TICKER: UPJ) THROUGH RONEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(THE UPJOHN CO. TEL: 616 323-4000)

-30- 403
#90334c0680 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK SEBASTIANO OF 215 COEYMAN AVE, NUTLEY, NJ 07110, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,900 SHARES OF DESIGNCRAFT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DJI) THROUGH R F LAFFERTY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(DESIGNCRAFT INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 212 541-5534)

-30- 427
#90334c0681 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT KUNDTZ OF 21790 HEBER WAY, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: SGAT) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY TEL: 408 438-6550)

-30- 412
#90334c0682 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID GOODMAN OF 29 WARFIELD ST, UPPER MONTCLAIR, NJ 07000, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH F N WOLF & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 428
#90334c0683 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TSVIA ROSENTHAL OF ONE POLO FIELD LANE, GREAT NECK, NY 11000, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF MEDALIST INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MDIN) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(MEDALIST INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 414 241-8500)

-30- 424

#90334c0684 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH C SHEPELA OF 22265 CANYON VIEW CIRCLE, CUPERTINO, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,750 SHARES OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(QUANTUM CORP. TEL: 408 432-1100)

-30- 400
#90334c0685 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT W MCCULLOCH OF 5217 MANSFIELD HWY, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,889 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 402
#90334c0687 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILBUR BRESLIN OF 500 OLD COUNTRY RD, GARDEN CITY, NY 11530, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF STARRETT HOUSING CORP. (TICKER: SHO) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(STARRETT HOUSING CORP. TEL: 212 751-3100)

-30- 429
#90334c0688 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, W.J. WEYMARK, VP OF CURRAGH RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CZP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90334c0689 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 4, 1990, F.K. VORIS, VP OF MERCHANTS BANCORP (IL) (TICKER: NMBC) BOUGHT 112 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,780.

-30- 307
#90334c0690 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 22, 1990, TAW INC, BEN. OWNER OF UNIVERSAL CAPITAL INC. SOLD 214,490 SHARES FROM $0.88 TO $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,302,750.

-30- 320
#90334c0691 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 30, 1990, K.E. MCCONNELL, DIR. OF CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC. SOLD 100 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,465.

-30- 306
#90334c0692 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, R.J. PFEIFFER, CHAIRMAN OF PACIFIC RESOURCES INC. HAWAII BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 186,872.

-30- 330
#90334c0693 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEPT. 24, 1990 TO SEPT. 25, 1990, M.W. GARRATT III, DIR. OF JENNY INVESTMENTS SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90334c0695 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY CENTRAL CAPITAL CORP. OF HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA 959,050 SHARES (10.45%) OF US TRUST CORP.(TICKER: USTC) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an Oct. 18, 1990 share purchase and security agreement with 174554 Canada Inc. and Arthur Diamond, CGIS transferred 40,722 shares to 174554 Canada in exchange for a not for $1,180,938.

PURPOSE:

Share purchase agreement.

-30- 613
#90334c0696 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

R.R. HEILIGENSTEIN OWNS 28,000 SHARES (5.30%) OF DAVID WHITE INC. (TICKER: DAWH) OF GERMANTOWN, WISCONSIN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

R.R. Heiligenstein purchased 20,000 shares on Nov. 20, 1990 for $61,750.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 442
#90334c0697 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY R.A. MACKIE JR. OWNS 719,083 SHARES (7.10%) OF PHARMAKINETICS LABORATORIES INC.(TICKER: PKLB) OF BALTIMORE, MARYLAND.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 9 to Nov. 27, 1990, R.A. Mackie Jr., et al. purchased 818,200 shares and sold 297,500 shares for $.09 to $.38 per share.

PURPOSE:

Purchases of shares in connection with its market-maker status.

-30- 581
#90334c0698 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY KIEWIT US CO. OWNS 2,669,550 SHARES (7.00%) OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO.(TICKER: AX) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Kiewit US Co., et al. purchased 2,669,550 shares from Aug. 20 to Nov. 28, 1990 for $3.50 to $4.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 501
#90334c0699 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY PETER CUNDHILL & ASSOCIATES BERMUDA LTD. OWNS 395,000 SHARES (7.09%) OF ROOSEVELT FINANCIAL GROUP INC.(TICKER: RFED) OF CHESTERFIELD, MISSOURI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Peter Cundhill & Associates Bermuda LTD., et al. purchased 345,000 shares from Aug. 18 to Nov. 20, 1990 for $8.25 to $10.21 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 571
#90334c0700 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a stipulation of settlement between Perelman and the Company with regard to the action known as Perelman vs. Finney, et al., Docket No. ATL-C-000033-90, Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Atlantic county, R.G. Perelman, et al. have sold all of their shares of common stock back to the company and have no interest in securities of the Company.

PURPOSE:

Disposition of shares pursuant to stipulation of settlement.

-30- 676
#90334c0701 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY KUWAM CORP. OF WASHINGTON, D.C. OWNS 456,100 SHARES (10.60%) OF STUARTS DEPARTMENT STORES INC.(TICKER: STUS) OF HOPKINTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 14 through Nov. 20, 1990, Kuwam Corp., et al. purchased 71,000 shares at a price of $0.44 to $1.19 per share.

-30- 510
#90334c0703 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

G. RATNER OWNS 3,647,120 SHARES (5.50%) OF FIRST CHICAGO CORP.(TICKER: FNB) OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 359
#90334c0704 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 29, 1990, Institution Partners LP, et al. tendered all the preferred stock they held back to the Company for cash at a price of $8.54 per share, pursuant to an option to redeem such shares for cash.

-30- 438
#90334c0705 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

R. DORSKIND OF CENTRAL ISLIP, NEW YORK OWNS 440,000 SHARES (18.40%) OF DIGITAL METCOM INC.(TICKER: DMET) OF CENTRAL ISLIP, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include the right to acquire 80,000 shares pursuant to options or warrants. Digital Metcom Inc. completer a one for ten reverse stock split on Oct. 24, 1990. R. Dorskind ownership has decreased due to the decrease of 19,300 shares held by him in proxy for Salvatore Grisafi.

-30- 659
#90334c0706 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JAMES T CAVANAUGH III, SHAREHOLDER OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 174,086.

-30- 336
#90334c0707 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, RODMAN L DRAKE, DIR. OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 301
#90334c0708 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, WILLIAM J CERNUGEL, VP OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), SOLD 6,100 SHARES AT $25.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,260.

-30- 315
#90334c0709 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, HENRY P RENARD, CHAIRMAN OF APPLIED DNA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ADNA), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $0.37 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90334c0711 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 22, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, ROHIT M DESAI, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: APC), SOLD 20,651 SHARES FROM $35.50 TO $37.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 356,358.

-30- 382
#90334c0712 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 05, 1990, THOMAS P BURNS, OFFICER OF AMERICA WEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: AWAL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,900.

-30- 334
#90334c0713 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, ROBERT E COLEMAN, DIR. OF BOISE CASCADE CORP. (TICKER: BCC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 309
#90334c0714 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, CHRISTOPHER A CRANE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BEEBA'S CREATIONS INC. (TICKER: BEBA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,235.

-30- 347
#90334c0715 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, SHAWN W POOLE, OFFICER OF CAROLINA FREIGHT CORP. (TICKER: CAO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 317
#90334c0716 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 31, 1987, JACOB TERNER, CHAIRMAN OF CENTURY MEDICORP. (TICKER: CEMC), SOLD 74,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,140,065.

-30- 323
#90334c0717 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC 17, 1987 TO MAY 17, 1990, JACOB TERNER, CHAIRMAN OF CENTURY MEDICORP. (TICKER: CEMC), BOUGHT 1,140,918 SHARES FROM $0.25 TO $1.64 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 653,981.

-30- 359
#90334c0719 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, GREGG D WATKINS, VP OF COMERICA INC. (TICKER: CMCA), SOLD 150 SHARES AT $36.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 650.

-30- 295
#90334c0720 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 11, 1990 TO OCT 12, 1990, DESAI CAPITAL MGMT INC, BEN. OWNER OF COMCAST CORP. (TICKER: CMCS), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES FROM $7.88 TO $8.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 650,000.

-30- 351
#90334c0721 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 11, 1990 TO OCT 12, 1990, ROHIT M DESAI, AFFILIATED PERSON OF COMCAST CORP. (TICKER: CMCS), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES FROM $7.88 TO $8.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 650,000.

-30- 360
#90334c0722 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, NORMAN M MEIER, PRES. OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,600.

-30- 327
#90334c0723 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 29, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, DANIEL G HALL, VP OF CORDIS CORP. (TICKER: CORD), SOLD 10,464 SHARES FROM $18.50 TO $18.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90334c0724 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 26, 1990, NATHAN COOPER, OFFICER OF CRAFTMATIC/CONTOUR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRCC), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 294
#90334c0725 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, SCOTT C SELBACH, VP OF CARLISLE COS. (TICKER: CSL), BOUGHT 490 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 292
#90334c0727 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 12, 1990 TO OCT 17, 1990, DALE I HECOX, OFFICER OF DEAN FOODS CO. (TICKER: DF), SOLD 2,417 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 324
#90334c0728 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 10, 1990, ROBERT M TOPOL, DIR. OF E-Z-EM INC. (TICKER: EZEM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 296
#90334c0729 11/30/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, ROBERT C LANGE, DIR. OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL), SOLD 32,825 SHARES AT $12.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 222,035.

-30- 315
#90334c0730 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, ROBERT A MCCABE JR, DIV. OFFICER OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 5,310 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,899.

-30- 345
#90334c0731 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, LESLIE C ACTON, DIR. OF FREEPORT-MCMORAN COPPER CO. (TICKER: FCX), BOUGHT 5,600 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,600.

-30- 330
#90334c0732 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, ROBERT GUMBINER, CHAIRMAN OF FHP INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FHPC), SOLD 140,000 SHARES FROM $12.50 TO $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,625,597.

-30- 362
#90334c0733 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 09, 1990, C JOHN KJORLIEN, DIR. OF FIELDCREST CANNON INC. (TICKER: FLD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90334c0735 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, MICHAEL L WARDEN, OFFICER OF FIRST SECURITY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FSFC), SOLD 254 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 230.

-30- 337
#90334c0736 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 17, 1990 TO OCT 18, 1990, KENNETH E MEYERS, VP OF FIRST WORLD CHEESE INC. (TICKER: FWCH), SOLD 3,700 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,014.

-30- 338
#90334c0737 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 16, 1990, HELGA HAUB, SHAREHOLDER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES FROM $43.75 TO $45.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,214,100.

-30- 390
#90334c0738 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 26, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, CHARLES GELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF GELMAN SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GSC), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES FROM $7.00 TO $7.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 395,641.

-30- 351
#90334c0739 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 05, 1990 TO OCT 11, 1990, ATLEE M KOHL, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GROWTH STOCK OUTLOOK TRUST INC. (TICKER: GSO), BOUGHT 4,100 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,684.

-30- 383
#90334c0740 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, NICOLE F KOHL, BEN. OWNER OF GROWTH STOCK OUTLOOK TRUST INC. (TICKER: GSO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,583.

-30- 353
#90334c0741 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, WOODLAND INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF GROWTH STOCK OUTLOOK TRUST INC. (TICKER: GSO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,583.

-30- 370
#90334c0743 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, STUART B REKANT, VP OF MANAGEMENT CO. ENTERTAINMENT GROUP (TICKER: MCEG), SOLD 183,000 SHARES FROM $0.09 TO $0.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90334c0744 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, MARVIN D GENTRY, VP OF HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: HOV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 317
#90334c0745 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, KARL E PREUSSE, VP OF HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: HOV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 317
#90334c0746 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, WAYNE W LOCURTO, VP OF HERITAGE MEDIA CORP. (TICKER: HTG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,100.

-30- 312
#90334c0747 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN D SIMACEK, VP OF HAVERFIELD CORP. (TICKER: HVFD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,560.

-30- 302
#90334c0748 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JAMES T TALBOT, DIR. OF HALLWOOD GROUP INC. (TICKER: HWG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 314
#90334c0749 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC 22, 1989 TO SEP 13, 1990, DAVID E KAPLAN, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL MOBILE MACHINE CORP. (TICKER: IMMC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,400.

-30- 367
#90334c0751 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, J STARK THOMPSON, PRES. OF LIFE TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: LTEK), SOLD 677 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90334c0752 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, SAMUEL J SHERMAN, DIR. OF MAIN ST & MAIN INC. (TICKER: MAIN), SOLD 24,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 604,000.

-30- 334
#90334c0753 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 04, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, VINCENT SHUNSKY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MEDAR INC. (TICKER: MDXR), BOUGHT 2,850 SHARES FROM $1.69 TO $1.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,850.

-30- 350
#90334c0754 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, ADELE S SIMMONS, DIR. OF MARSH & MCLENNAN COS. (TICKER: MMC), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $75.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,583.

-30- 320
#90334c0755 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, ADELE S SIMMONS, DIR. OF MARSH & MCLENNAN COS. (TICKER: MMC), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $73.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,414.

-30- 318
#90334c0756 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 21, 1990, JOSEPH V MONTALBAN, CHAIRMAN OF MSR EXPLORATION LTD. (TICKER: MSR), SOLD 475,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 858,000.

-30- 334
#90334c0757 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, C WILLIAM LEE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MATRIX SERVICE CO. (TICKER: MTRX), SOLD 25,146 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 464,854.

-30- 327
#90334c0759 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, CAROL E CORREIA, OFFICER OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 901.

-30- 307
#90334c0760 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, PAUL A LAMOUREUX, OFFICER OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,300.

-30- 320
#90334c0761 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, ROBERT MCCARTER, DIR. OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,901.

-30- 302
#90334c0762 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOHN E FLOOD JR, DIR. OF NEWPORT PHARMACEUTICALS INTL INC. (TICKER: NWPH), BOUGHT 1,044 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,524.

-30- 343
#90334c0763 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, WILMER J THOMAS JR, DIR. OF OAK HILL SPORTSWEAR CORP. (TICKER: OHSC), SOLD 5,580 SHARES FROM $3.75 TO $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,540.

-30- 359
#90334c0764 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, PAUL D ADAMS, VP OF OLD REPUBLIC INTL CORP. (TICKER: ORI), BOUGHT 205 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,953.

-30- 307
#90334c0765 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, RONALD L SCHEIDT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PACIFIC BANCORPORATION (TICKER: PABC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,994.

-30- 336
#90334c0767 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAY 04, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, DAVID S SIMON, OFFICER OF PREMARK INTERNATIONAL INC (TICKER: PMI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES FROM $13.00 TO $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,228.

-30- 355
#90334c0768 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, MARK J GALLAGHER, VP OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC), SOLD 7,500 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,128.

-30- 329
#90334c0769 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, WILLIAM P GIOVANELLO, DIR. OF BARRY (R.G.) CORP. (TICKER: RGB), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,200.

-30- 319
#90334c0770 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, WILLIAM P GIOVANELLO, DIR. OF BARRY (R.G.) CORP. (TICKER: RGB), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 322
#90334c0771 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 23, 1990, JAMES YOUNG, DIV. OFFICER OF SUPER FOOD SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SFS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,379.

-30- 328
#90334c0772 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 19, 1990 TO OCT 25, 1990, DESAI CAPITAL MGMT INC, BEN. OWNER OF SILICON GRAPHICS INC. (TICKER: SGI), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES FROM $21.88 TO $22.96 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,000.

-30- 368
#90334c0773 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, ALPHONSE E FREI, DIR. OF SWIFT TRANSPORTATION INC. (TICKER: SWFT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 321
#90334c0775 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, HARRY I WILSON, OFFICER OF TECO ENERGY INC. (TICKER: TE), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $29.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 271
#90334c0776 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JAMES FERNANDEZ, VP OF TIFFANY & CO. (TICKER: TIF), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $35.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90334c0777 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 04, 1990 TO OCT 05, 1990, WILLIAM T REYNOLDS, DIR. OF PRICE (T.ROWE) ASSOC INC. (TICKER: TROW), SOLD 4,900 SHARES FROM $19.50 TO $19.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,352.

-30- 362
#90334c0778 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, ARJAY R MILLER, SHAREHOLDER OF WELLS FARGO & CO. (TICKER: WFC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $50.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,400.

-30- 325
#90334c0779 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, PAUL A ARAQUISTAIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WESTERN MICRO TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: WSTM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 371
#90334c0780 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, THOMAS H BAY, DIR. OF WESTERN MICRO TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: WSTM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,200.

-30- 332
#90334c0781 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, ELMER H LUTHMAN, DIR. OF WESTERN MICRO TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: WSTM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 336
#90334c0783 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY TWEEDY BROWN CO. LP OWNS 257,056 SHARES (7.33%) OF WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: WBST) OF WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 13 to Nov. 20, Tweedy Brown Co. LP, et al. sold 43,870 shares $5 to $6 per share and 1,320 shares were transferred from TBC accounts.

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#90334c0784 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

J. TERNER OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA OWNS 1,119,269 SHARES (25.00%) OF CENTURY MEDICORP.(TICKER: CEMC) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On May 17, 1990 in connection with the settlement of a lawsuit pending against the registrant, East Los Angeles Doctors Hospital Property Partnership, of which J. Terner is a general partner, sold 41,537 Century Medicorp. shares. In connection with the settlement Memorial purchased 45,747 restricted Century Medicorp. common shares and J. Terner's children purchased 39,040 shares. All of the shares purchased and sold in connection with the settlement of such pending litigation were at the price of $1.64 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90334c0785 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M. KOPPELMAN OWNS 177,600 SHARES (7.60%) OF UNITED SERVICE SOURCE INC. (TICKER: UNSI) OF MELBOURNE, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M. Koppelman has grown discontent with the United Service Source Inc.'s performance and has urged certain changes within United Service Source Inc. Since summer 1990 United Service Source Inc. and certain of its officers have been considering a proposal where the executives would purchase most of United Service Source Inc.'s assets except for $600,000 cash and assume substantially all of United Service Source Inc.'s liabilities in exchange for 490,000 United Service Source Inc. common shares held by them and a note equal to the difference between United Service Source Inc.'s accounts receivable less accounts payable. M. Koppelman has offered to personally guarantee up to $150,000 of bank loans to the acquiring company, and the two officers, Hallquist and Christiano.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90334c0786 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

S.H. CLARK OF FREMONT, CALIFORNIA OWNS 1,120,583 SHARES (15.00%) OF MARGAUX INC.(TICKER: MRGX) OF NEWARK, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

S.H. Clark has lent $50,000 to Margaux Inc. pursuant to a promissory note in connection with Margaux Inc.'s Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing. On Oct. 5, 1989 Margaux Inc.'s bankruptcy plan was approved by the court and the $50,000 promissory note became convertible into 750,000 issuer common shares.

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#90334c0787 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

S.R. COHEN OWNS 7,599,432 SHARES (34.90%) OF TPI ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TPIE) OF NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 29, 1990 TPI Enterprises Inc. and AMC Entertainment Inc. announced that they are having discussions relating to the possible formation of a joint venture between the two companies. the transaction would involve the exchange of a portion of TPI Enterprises Inc. common shares owned by AMC for an interest in the movie theatres owned by TPI's subsidiary, TPI Entertainment Inc. S.R. Cohen, chairman of TPI Enterprises Inc., is also discussing with AMC the purchase by S.R. Cohen of all or a portion of the remaining TPI Shares AMC owns.

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#90334c0788 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS (5.00%) OF SCI MED LIFE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SMLS) OF MAPLE GROVE, MINNESOTA.

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#90334c0789 11/30/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

LORENTZSEN FAMILY TRUST OWNS 920,000 SHARES (6.70%) OF MICRO DISPLAY SYSTEMS INC. HASTINGS, MINNESOTA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Norman M. Lorentzsen, as a director of Micro Display Systems Inc., was issued 25,000 shares, benefiting the Lorentzsen Family Trust, of Micro Display Systems Inc. for services to be rendered as a director for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991. The beneficially-owned shares include warrants to purchase an additional 245,000 shares.

-30- 683

#90334d1370 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 30) - The Japanese government said Friday it wanted to make next week's GATT talks in Brussels a success.

"It is important for Japan, which has made rapid economic development under the multilateral free trade system, to further expand free trade by ending the talks in success," the country's cabinet ministers pledged in a statement.

Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama said the same day that "if the Uruguay Round does not come to a successful conclusion, the harmful effects on the international community will be immeasurable."

Ministers of member countries of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) are to gather in Brussels November 3-7 to wrap up the four-year-old trade talks aimed at setting the framework of a free trade system.

Mr. Nakayama, who later left Japan to attend the talks, stressed the importance of establishing new rules in services, intellectual property rights, trade-related investment measures and market access, aside from maintaining existing GATT rules.

He dismissed protectionist moves, citing the Super 301 clause of the United States Trade Act and exclusive regionalism.

While acknowledging difficulties in resolving issues such as agriculture and services, Mr. Nakayama failed to mention Japan's rice market whose liberalization the United States is demanding.

-30- 1514

#90334d1500 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (NOV. 30) - Singapore will see the arrival of the 54th international airline to operate services to its Changi Airport when Gulf Air lands here on Saturday.

The Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) said in a press release Friday that the new air link here was "timely as it will fill the void created by other international carriers which have reduced their Gulf stops and consequently reduced the available capacity for Gulf passengers."

The flag carrier of Bahrain, Qatar, Oman and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) will operate two flights weekly on the Bahrain-Singapore-Sydney route and vice versa using Boeing 767 aircraft.

The inaugural flight comes after Singapore and Bahrain signed a liberal air services agreement in February 1988 which allows the airlines of both countries to operate seven Boeing 747 services weekly with full traffic rights.

Similar agreements have also been concluded between the island republic and Qatar, Oman and the UAE, the aviation authority added.

Gulf Air becomes the fourth airline from the Gulf and Middle East regions to operate to Changi airport, after Saudi Arabian Airlines, Royal Jordanian and Emirates.

Singapore is now linked by air to 109 cities in 54 countries.

-30- 1441

#90334d1950 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 30) - Japan recorded a 5.98 billion dollar trade surplus in October, up from 5.48 billion dollars in the corresponding month a year ago, the Finance Ministry said Friday.

Exports during the 12-month period rose 15.9 per cent to 26.002 billion dollars, while imports climbed 18.1 per cent to 20.016 billion dollars, the ministry said.

The balance on current account, which includes transfers and services as well as export earnings, slipped back to 2.73 billion dollars from 3.73 billion dollars 12 months ago.

Inflation rose 3.5 percent in October over the corresponding month of the previous year, according to official statistics released Friday. It was the highest increase since December 1981.

Officials said a major factor fueling inflation was higher prices for petrol and other petroleum products.

Japan's jobless rate in October was 2.2 percent after seasonal adjustments, unchanged from September, the government Management and Coordination Agency announced.

The number of the people without work rose to around 1.39 million from 1.38 million in September and 1.37 million in the same month a year earlier, the agency said.

-30- 1373

#90334d1960 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 30) - The price of Brent North Sea oil dropped 70 cents in early trading Friday in spite of a U.N. Security Council vote calling on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait by January 15 or face the use of force.

Brent oil was trading at 32.25 dollars a barrel for delivery in January compared with 32.95 dollars at the close Thursday.

A trader for Kleinwort Benson said since the Security Council decision had been expected it had given the market time to adjust in advance.

Brent oil had risen three dollars a barrel last Monday.

The vote "makes war more likely but no more imminent", the trader added.

The market expects war to break out "in the middle of January at the earliest" and no longer "at any moment", he said.

-30- 937

#90334d1970 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (NOV. 30) - Malaysian crude palm oil prices have surged to a two-year-high of around 850 Malaysian dollars (315 U.S.) a ton, boosted by speculative activities, dealers said Friday.

Dealers said that the uptrend started in late October following short-covering here by refiners and in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, because of fears that coconut oil production in the Philippines could be affected by a typhoon.

Another factor was a November 15 report by the Palm Oil Registration and Licensing Authority that Malaysia's total palm oil stocks fell 3.93 per cent to 900,934 tons in October from September.

Also encouraging were Pakistan's purchase of 12,000 tons of processed palm oil on Wednesday and a forecast of lower soyabean production next year.

Some planters are saying that prices could hit 1,000 dollars (370 U.S.) a ton

during the low crop month early next year, but dealers said the forecast was too optimistic because of an expected decline in demand next month.

"A lot of refiners are going to operate on lower capacity in December," a dealer said.

He added that the prices were quite high at the current level. "If it goes any higher, it will chase away consumers," he said.

Dealers also expected producers to take advantage of still bullish sentiment to sell forward.

-30- 1507

#90334d2000 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (NOV. 30) - Tenaga Nasional Bhd. (TEN), Malaysia's electricity board, Friday signed a contract with Britain's NEI-ABB Gas Turbines Ltd. for the supply of seven gas turbines, Bernama news agency said.

The contract, worth 985 million dollars (365 million U.S.), covers the design, supply, erection and commissioning of the gas turbines at three power stations Bernama said.

Four turbines of 88-megawatt capacity are scheduled to be commissioned in September while three others, rated at 130 megawatts, would be commissioned at one month intervals thereafter.

NEI-ABB is a joint-venture between the Rolls Royce and Asea Brown Boveri groups.

-30- 855

#90334d2010 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 30) - Filipinos lined up at gasoline stations across the capital for the second day Friday amid anticipation of an impending increase in fuel prices.

The panic-buying was an apparent reaction to reports Thursday that the government had complied with demands by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to raise fuel retail prices.

Earlier this week, some gasoline stations had complained that they were exhausting their weekly supplies earlier than usual while the oil companies were tardy in sending new supplies.

Energy officials however denied that there was any shortage of fuel but admitted that there had been a stoppage in the pipeline of a local refinery. The stoppage had been cleared and regular gasoline deliveries would resume,

they added.

Gasoline station owners interviewed in the city said Friday they had enough supplies and were not limiting purchases.

The government previously shortened the operating hours of gasoline stations and limited the amount they could purchase weekly as part of measures to stretch out the fuel supply amid fears of rising international oil prices caused by the Gulf crisis.

-30- 1343

#90334d2080 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Beirut (NOV. 30) - Traumatised by the hardships of living in Beirut and by a legacy of failed ceasefire agreements that marked their country's civil war, Lebanese distrust the promise of peace as militias pull out of their capital.

''They can return as easily as they've gone'', noted Marcel Abu-Chakra, 25, as he watched from his balcony in East Beirut long columns of Christian militia tanks and trucks withdrawing to the city outskirts.

The Lebanese government is pressing ahead with a peace plan that would rid Beirut of all militias and restore stability here after 15 years of civil strife that have claimed over 150,000 lives.

All Moslem militias have already moved out of the city. Some withdrew to the southern region, others to the Druze Chouf Mountains and the rest to eastern Lebanon.

The powerful Christian Lebanese Forces militia has announced it pulled out 1,200 tons of military hardware to its northern strongholds and said it will complete withdrawal from the city by the weekend.

President Elias Hrawi on Friday invited the warring militia leaders to abandon fighting and join a new national unity government to be shortly formed under his leadership.

-30- 1390

#90334d2130 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (NOV. 30) - India's new commerce minister strongly opposes import cuts to help stave off a balance of payments crisis, saying the government should approach a variety of foreign creditors for loans instead.

Subramaniam Swamy told The Economic Times in an interview published Friday that India needed three billion to four billion dollars "right away" to overcome difficulties created by depleted foreign exchange reserves.

But he said he did not favour suggestions from some quarters of cuts in imports of industrial raw materials and components, which have aroused concern in import-dependent businesses, as a solution.

"If the country is facing a foreign exchange crisis, we should exercise the option of a loan instead of a cut in imports," the former Harvard economist was quoted as saying.

He said he favored slashing imports of consumer luxury items, however.

He said he had told Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar that India should look for loans.

"I think we can get bilateral loans from the Arabs, Japan and some loan from the International Monetary Fund (IMF)," said the commerce minister, who left for Brussels Thursday to take part in the final round of GATT negotiations.

"After that we will have elbow room," Mr. Swamy said. "Such assistance should be linked in some way to exports so that we can make easy payments and avoid a debt problem."

-30- 1582
#90334d2300 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SOFIA (NOV. 30) - Bulgaria's socialist-dominated parliament Friday accepted the resignation of Prime Minister Andrei Lukanov and his government of former communists.

The resignation was approved by 316 deputies while 43 voted against and 16 abstained.

Mr. Lukanov stepped down Thursday after a meeting with President Zhelio Zhelev and leaders of political parties where it was agreed to set up a transition government headed by a premier who came from neither the Socialist Party of reformed communists nor the opposition Union of Democratic Forces (UDF).

"The agreement on the formation of a national transition government is a genuine chance for Bulgaria", Mr. Lukanov said. Not abiding by it could lead to "a new political crisis with unforeseeable consequences", he warned.

Mr. Lukanov said that his resignation which came on the fourth day of a general strike was not due to the pressure of public opinion.

The situation in Sofia was back to normal early Friday, but students were still striking. On Thursday demonstrators had disrupted all traffic in the capital by setting up roadblocks on major crossings.

President Zhelev said early parliamentary elections would probably be held

next May, the daily of the official union organization Trud said Friday.

Mr. Zhelev, who was elected earlier this year on a UDF ticket, said the current parliament would continue work until March before being dissolved.

He felt there was a "good chance" that some key new laws would be adopted by the end of the year and that the new constitution would be adopted by next March.

-30- 1798
#90334d2400 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 30) - The British Aerospace aero manufacturer on Friday announced that it was closing two factories manufacturing military aircraft during the next two and half years, with the loss of 5,000 jobs.

The factories concerned are situated at Preston in north west England, and at Kingston-upon-Thames on the outskirts of London.

-30- 507
#90334d2410 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 30) - French Alcatel CIT, part of the CGE group, on Friday signed a contract to supply the Soviet Union with 250 kilometres (156 miles) of optic fibers worth 100 million francs (about 20 million dollars).

The contract is the first stage of a Soviet project, called Trans Soviet Line, to establish a link 10,000 kilometres (6,250 miles) long between the pacific coast and the European continent.

The link is to be used by a consortium of Soviet, European and U.S. interests.

-30- 671
#90334d2530 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SINGAPORE (NOV. 30) - Singapore Airlines (SIA) and British Airways (BA) Friday signed an agreement for cooperation in air cargo systems development which will bring Asia and Europe closer together.

The agreement represented a significant move by the two airlines to work together in providing the infrastructure for cooperation in electronic cargo tracking, space reservations and other vital cargo functions, SIA said in a statement.

The airlines will develop an an electronic link-up between SIA's FORSC system in Singapore and BA's CARAT system in Britain.

Huang Cheng Eng, SIA's Cargo Manager (Worldwide), said the link-up would

benefit the cargo agents who "will continue to be our main customers accounting for more than 90 percent of our cargo revenue out of Singapore."

Mr. Huang said the airlines would update each other's cargo systems with the latest information on the status of their shipments in places where one airline handled the other.

Both countries would be brought closer together via each other's cargo computer systems and both airlines' cargo divisions would participate in a Cargo Community Systems in their respective home bases, he added.

Both airlines also believed that the development of a sophisticated Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) would contribute to the future success in marketing air cargo capacity.

Denis Connolly, BA's senior cargo manager for the Far East, said the cooperation demonstrated the carriers' commitment to air cargo business and that BA looked forward to continued success together in developing EDI opportunities.

Cargo traffic load between the two countries amounted to 16,653 tons for the first nine months of the year while for September alone, there was a five percent increase over the same month last year to 2,045 tons.

Mr. Huang said both carriers set a milestone in 1988 when they started a joint weekly Boeing 747 freighter service between Singapore and London.

The two carriers also signed in 1989 an air services agreement which grants BA rights to use Singapore's Changi Airport as a regional hub to other destinations in the region.

-30- 2362

#90334d2570 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (NOV. 30) - Workers at the Skoda car factory at Mlada Boleslav north east of Prague have threatened to strike if the German Volkswagen company is not chosen as the partner for a joint venture, press reports here said on Friday.

Volkswagen is competing with the French Renault company to be a partner for Skoda, but the Mlada Fronta Dnes paper here reported that about 1,100 of the 16,000 workforce in the factory had backed a workers' demand for a link with Volkswagen.

The paper quoted them as saying that Volkswagen had guaranteed better social conditions than Renault, but acknowledged that they did not know much about the Renault proposal.

-30- 848
#90334d2640 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GENEVA (NOV. 30) - The first new drug in 40 years has been found to treat African sleeping sickness, the World Health Organisation (Who) announced Friday.

Called Ornidyl, the drug has been used successfully to treat more than 600 people infected with the West African variety of the disease, formally known as African trypanosomiasis. Most of them were near death.

The Who estimates the drug can save about 3,000 patients a year. The disease, which affects an estimated 25,000 people annually, is fatal if untreated.

Ornidyl, which has fewer side effects when administered intravenously, costs about 140 dollars for a two-week dosage. The American pharmaceutical company Marion Merrell Dow will distribute it at cost to hospitals and health centers in Africa.

African sleeping sickness is caused by parasites transmitted by tsetse flies. The disease occurs in scattered areas throughout sub-Saharan Africa. The Who estimates that over 50 million people in 36 countries are at risk of contracting the disease.

The onset of sleeping sickness is characterized by malaise, fatigue and low fever followed by symptoms including somnolence, high fever, joint pains, swollen tissues and enlarged liver and spleens. When the parasites invade the central nervous system, patients experience mental deterioration, seizures, coma and death.

Until Ornidyl, originally developed as a potential therapy for cancer, all available drugs to treat sleeping sickness had serious shortcomings. dpa ob 301237 nov 90

-30- 1703
#90334d2720 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FUKUOKA, Japan (NOV. 30) - Japanese businessmen called Friday for new trade and investment strategies for the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) to reflect Japan's growing economic ties with the region.

"We want ASEAN nations to reach the same level as us," Nissan Motor Co. Ltd. chairman Takashi Ishihara told a news conference. "Otherwise we cannot export high value-added items to the United States and Europe."

Mr. Ishihara, speaking at the end of an annual meeting of Japanese and ASEAN businessmen in Fukuoka, noted that simmering trade disputes had forced Japanese firms to limit their export growth to the United States and Europe.

"So we have to increase our exports to ASEAN countries," the head of Japan's second-biggest carmaker said. "But in turn, we have to import more manufactured goods from ASEAN."

ASEAN groups Indonesia, Thailand, the Philippines, Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei.

Mr. Ishihara, who chairs the Japan Association of Corporate Executives, also urged Japanese firms to do more to promote local employees, a major complaint among the 80 participants from ASEAN at the two-day meeting.

"We have to promote local staff. If there's no promotion, we can't internationalise," he said.

Other criticism of Japanese business practices focussed on the reluctance of companies to procure local parts and the tendency of Southeast Asians educated in Japan to work for European or American rather than Japanese firms.

Some of the 70 Japanese participants, however, were surprisingly frank in admitting their shortcomings.

"Japanese companies do not invest in nurturing staff," admitted Nobuo Tateisi, deputy chairman of Omron Corp., Japan's biggest producer of control components with extensive activities in Malaysia.

Mr. Tateisi also noted that a recent survey in Singapore did not list a single Japanese company among the most popular foreign firms to work for.

-30- 2132

#90334d2810 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (NOV. 30) - The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) will mount a mission to explain its forest management policies in the United States, Australia and Japan next year, a top Indonesian official said here Friday.

Forestry Minister Hasjrul Harahap, who led ASEAN's first forestry mission to the European Economic Community last month, said the missions were to ensure that laws imposing constraints on imports of tropical timber were not enacted.

Mr. Harahap was speaking at a news conference at the end of a two-day ministerial meeting of the Malaysia-Indonesia joint working committee on forestry here.

ASEAN groups Malaysia and Indonesia with Brunei, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

Western environmentalists have blamed loggers in Malaysia and Indonesia for the destruction of tropical rainforests and have lobbied for a boycott of tropical hardwoods.

ASEAN officials have, however, said the anti-tropical timber campaign was a protectionist measure backed by softwood producers.

Mr. Harahap said ASEAN countries should divert their timber exports to markets in the Soviet Union, China and India if the protectionist acts of Western countries were prolonged.

Malaysian Primary Industries Minister Lim Keng Yaik told the same news conference that Malaysia and Indonesia had agreed to cooperate on projects to encourage greater use of non-wood forest resources.

Some of the products named were rattan, bamboo, honey, mushroom, resins and essential oils, fruits and medicinal plants.

Mr. Harahap said Indonesia had offered to train Malaysians in bee-keeping at its national apiculture centre.

-30- 1846

#90334d2960 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEWARK, New Jersey (NOV. 30) - A former U.S. soldier born in Kuwait was being detained in a New York jail on charges of plotting to kill President George Bush and attack military installations.

According to court papers published here Thursday, Jamal Mohamed Warrayat, 32, revealed his plan to assassinate the president, Secretary of State James Baker and members of Congress to an undercover FBI agent.

Mr. Warrayat, speaking in Arabic, also told the FBI agent in August that he planned to attack military installations in North Carolina and Texas.

"At this point in time there is no evidence to show that any foreign government promoted or assisted in this activity," U.S. Attorney Michael Chertoff said Thursday. He decline to elaborate.

Mr. Warrayat was held without bail at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in New York. If convicted, he faces up to 10 years in prison and a 500,000-dollar fine.

His defense lawyer, Terence Scott, said his client had denied the charges.

Mr. Warrayat moved to the United States in the 1970s and finished a four-year stint in the Army in 1979. He had worked as a taxi driver until recently and was unemployed at the time of his arrest Tuesday.

-30- 1399
#90334d3000 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DELITZSCH, Germany (NOV. 30) - West German sugar producers are to invest two billion Deutsche marks (1.3 billion dollars) in eastern Germany, Agriculture Minister Ignaz Kiechle said here Friday.

All of the sugar refineries in former East Germany date from before World War II, he said, according to an ADN agency report.

By way of comparison, he said, the 38 refineries in western Germany have a payroll of 9,000 and produce around three million tons of sugar per year, while in the east, the 41 refineries have a workforce of 15,000, producing only 900,000 tons per year.

In a first step, a third of the east German capacity is to be taken over by Suedzucker AG of western Germany, the largest sugar producer in Europe, under an agreement announced earlier this week. The value of the deal, and any details of job losses, have not been disclosed.

The European Economic Community (EEC) has given eastern producers a quota of 847,000 tons per year, a figure that Mr. Kiechle described as a good starting point for the industry.

Bonn has also been given permission to make exceptional aid of 320 million marks (213 million dollars) to the industry over the next two years.

The EEC sugar industry has been through difficult times in recent years because of declining public demand for its product and rising use of artificial sweeteners. Aid to the industry is closely monitored by the EEC's executive Commission in Brussels.

-30- 1644
#90334d3010 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Baghdad (NOV. 30) - The last Swedish hostages in Iraq, numbering about 50, were flown out Friday along with five Finns whose release was negotiated by two former Finnish ministers.

However, at least three more Finns remained in Iraq after being refused exit visas. The two ex-ministers, Paavo Vaeyrynen and Ulf Sundqvist, said they had not signed any ''peace declaration'' of the kind said to have been signed by a Belgian parliamentary delegation.

The Iraqi National Assembly had approved Monday the release of all remaining Swedish hostages in Iraq. The assembly agreed later Thursday to allow all Belgians held in Iraq to leave the country. Twelve had still been refused

permission.

A flight taking them out of Iraq was expected to leave Sunday, after bringing in medical supplies. Finland was also reported to have promised to send in medicines.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has in the past weeks ordered the release of hundreds of foreign nationals held as ''human shields'' to guard against reprisal attacks by U.S. forces and their allies over the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

There are as many as 2,000 foreigners, including about 900 Americans, believed held against their will in Iraq and Iraqi-annexed Kuwait.

-30- 1419

#90334d3070 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 30) - Japan's net sales of foreign securities almost doubled to 2.7 million dollars in October, boosting the country's surplus in long-term capital transactions to an all-time high, the finance ministry said Friday.

The surplus in the long-term capital account - securities transactions, direct investment, certain trade credits and loans - expanded from the previous high of 5.7 billion dollars in September to 7.1 billion dollars.

Japanese investors became less interested in U.S. securities due to the uncertain economic situation in that country and smaller interest rate gap between the two countries, a ministry official said.

The official also blamed the Gulf crisis for pushing down world stock prices, thus discouraging Japanese investments abroad.

Japanese transactions in foreign securities swung to a net sales in September for the first time in six months at 1.4 billion dollars.

Net Japanese sales of foreign stocks rose from one billion dollars to 1.2 billion dollars, and net bond sales grew from 1.5 billion dollars to 1.9 billion dollars.

But Japanese investors remained net buyers of yen-denominated bonds issued by non-residents, although net purchase contracted from 1.2 billion dollars to 370 million dollars.

Foreign investors stayed as net buyers of Japanese securities, with net buying of Japanese bonds dipping from 1.91 billion dollars to 1.89 billion and purchase of bonds issued abroad by Japanese falling from 4.2 billion dollars to 3.6 billion dollars.

But foreigners sold more Japanese stocks than buying, with net sales falling sharply from 1.6 billion dollars to 54 million dollars.

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#90334d3120 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (NOV. 30) - Asian governments Friday backed a U.N. Security Council resolution authorizing military action to remove Iraqi troops from Kuwait but reiterated calls for a peaceful settlement to the crisis.

The Security Council voted Thursday -- with Cuba and Yemen voting against and permanent member China abstaining -- to authorize the use of force against Iraq if it fails to withdraw from Kuwait by January 15.

Japan, Thailand, Australia and Taiwan backed the measure, while Philippine President Corazon Aquino told her country to brace for further economic hardship in the event of a military confrontation in the Gulf.

In New York, Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen said China's abstention reflected Beijing's desire for a peaceful solution, but the resolution was not vetoed because it also demanded that Iraq comply with all previous resolutions for which China had voted.

"The peaceful option may take longer, but the cost will be well lower and the consequences less serious than a solution that involves resorting to force," Mr. Qian said.

In Tokyo, chief cabinet secretary Misoji Sakamoto said: "Japan appreciates the efforts made so far by the Security Council for a solution of the Gulf crisis, and supports this resolution as it strengthens the said efforts."

Tokyo "demands once again that Iraq, taking this resolution as its final opportunity, implement the relevant Security Council resolutions promptly," Mr. Sakamoto said.

Japan also wants Iraq to "withdraw from Kuwait and release all the foreign nationals immediately and unconditionally, so that Iraq will not be confronted with a really grave situation," he said.

But he added that Japan "will maintain an earnest hope right up to the last moment that the crisis will be settled peacefully."

Japanese Premier Toshiki Kaifu said Japan's policy of seeking a peaceful settlement would remain unchanged and that he hoped Iraq would accept the resolution as an ultimatum by the international body.

In Kuala Lumpur, Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad of Malaysia -- a non-permanent member of the Security Council -- said his government could not

condone "strong nations invading or annexing small nations."

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#90334d3160 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 30) - Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati will visit France from December 5-7 for talks with French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas, it was confirmed here Friday.

Relations between the two countries have improved markedly over the last few months in the wake of the European Economic Community decision last month to lift sanctions imposed on Teheran in February 1989 over the Salman Rushdie affair.

The sanctions were imposed after late Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini sentenced the British author to death over his book "The Satanic Verses" judged blasphemous to Islam.

The EEC decided to lift them afer Teheran agreed to conform to a U.N. embargo against Iraq following Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Industry Minister Roger Fauroux visited Teheran in mid-October after which both sides called for their differences to be settled.

Negotiations over financial differences are still a stumbling block. Iran is seeking outstanding sums plus interest on a billion dollar loan made by the late Shah to the Atomic Energy Commission for a uranium enriching plant. France, in return, is seeking compebnsation from Iran for broken contracts after the Islamic republic was founded.

Mr. Dumas last visited Teheran in February 1989.

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#90334d3210 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (NOV. 30) - France has called on other EEC nations to join a French plea to Chinese authorities for leniency for detained pro-democracy militants, a foreign ministry spokesman said here Friday.

Six prominent Chinese intellectuals and students including student leader Wang Dan, arrested when the army put down demonstrations in Beijing last year have been charged with "counter-revolutionary activities" and are to stand trial within the next months.

The spokesman said France proposed that the 12-nation European Economic Community contact Chinese authorities to ask for leniency for those indicted.

The EEC has already made it clear that it wants human rights in China to be

enforced, he added.

The EEC decided last month to lift a number of sanctions imposed after last year's crackdown.

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#90334d3220 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOULOUSE, France (NOV. 30) - Japan Air System (JAS) on Friday ordered two more Airbus A300-600 R craft for delivery in April and September, 1993, Airbus Industrie said in a statement from its headquarters here.

The new contract brings to nine the number of A300-600 R craft ordered by JAS, which also has an option to buy seven more, the Airbus consortium said.

JAS, which will take delivery of the first of these craft next April, plans to use the A300-600 R on its domestic and regional lines to boost its current fleet of 16 A300 B2 and B4 aircraft.

The Airbus models ordered by JAS will have 308 single-class seats. The planes will be powered by Pratt and Whitney PW4158 jet engines.

Airbus Industrie currently has 667 orders for A300A310 aircraft from 78 clients. So far 514 have been delivered.

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#90334d3440 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (NOV. 30) - Namibia Friday increased the maximum penalty for elephant and rhino poaching to 20 years imprisonment or a fine of 200,000 rands (79,687 dollars) -- or both.

In terms of a bill adopted in the National Assembly here people convicted of poaching or trading in products from other specially protected game species like mountain zebras and giraffes face a maximum fine of 20,000 rands (7,968 dollars) or six years in jail.

Namibia has an elephant population of 6,000 and the largest single population of black rhinos -- 450 -- in the world.

Namibia's Conservation Minister Nico Bessinger said here Friday that the government's long term objective was to deal with the social aspects of poaching and to educate the public.

"That is the long term solution ... until that is implemented one has no choice but to have necessary legislation that would act as a deterrent to poachers", Mr. Bessinger said.

Africa's rhino population has declined from more than 65,000 in 1970 to 3,400 this year and in a bid to discourage poachers, Namibian conservation authorities have embarked on a programme to remove the horns of rhinos.

Most rhinos are killed for their horns which is regarded as a powerful aphrodisiac in the East.

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#90334d3640 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) - President George Bush will address the nation on the Gulf crisis at 11:00 a.m. (1600 GMT) Friday following the U.N. vote Thursday authorizing the use of force to dislodge Iraqi troops from Kuwait, the White House announced.

After the televised speech and questions from reporters, Mr. Bush will consult with leaders of Congress at the White House on the Security Council resolution White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said.

Shortly after the 12-to-2 vote at the United Nations, Mr. Bush hailed the U.S.-sponsored resolution, which he said would give Iraqi President Saddam Hussein a strong indication of how determined the international coalition

in the Gulf was to put an end to his aggression in neighboring Kuwat.

Mr. Bush, however, said he hoped the U.N. resolution would lead to a peaceful resolution of the Gulf crisis.

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#90334d3740 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (NOV. 30) - Demolition workers Friday pulled down the last part of the 32-kilometre wall which once divided Berlin, leaving just three small sections preserved for historic interest.

The last section to come tumbling down was near Schoenholz suburban rail station in the city's Reinickendorf district, a city construction department spokesman said.

The three sections of the wall being preserved are in Bernauer Strasse - scene of dramatic escapes when the wall was first being built in August 1961 - at the Invaliden Cemetery and near the imposing Martin Gropius Building, a city centre art museum.

The spokesman said about half the 160-kilometre wall which enclosed the perimeter of the former West Berlin had also been demolished.

The work, being carried out by former East German border guards who once

patrolled the wall, was expected to be finished by the end of next year.

More than 300,000 tons of demolished wall had been crushed for re-use as gravel for street surfacing, the spokesman said.

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#90334d3840 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 30) - South African foreign minister Roelof ''Pik'' Botha was due in Nairobi Friday for talks with Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi in the highest level contact between the two governments for 27 years.

No official mention was made of what Botha and Moi were to discuss, but was likely the two would focus on establishing air links between their countries.

Moi said in October that he would not allow any South African Airways flights to Kenya until the apartheid political system was abolished.

When it gained its independence from Britain in 1963, Kenya cut all commerical cultural and political ties with South Africa, although many European airlines stop over in Nairobi en route to South Africa.

The decision to renew direct flights between Kenya and South Africa was first mentioned in September, following a visit to Nairobi by a South African trade official.

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#90334d4260 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (NOV. 30) - Soviet citizens fleeing famine will not be granted asylum in Denmark, Danish Prime Minister Poul Schluter has said here.

Mr. Schluter, speaking to the press as part of his campaign as a conservative for an early general election on December 12, said: "Soviets,

including Baltic people, fleeing the threat of famine in the Soviet Union, will not receive asylum in Denmark."

He said that "the refugees from the Soviet Union are not victims of political persecution and consequently cannot benefit from the right to asylum".

Mr. Schluter rejected the idea of launching a Danish food-aid programme for the Soviet Union to prevent a flood of starving Soviet refugees, and said that he preferred "to wait for a joint initiative along these lines by the European Economic Community (EEC)".

Justice Minister Hans Engell told a press conference that "Denmark will not grant asylum for social reasons to Soviets and to other nationalities of

central and eastern Europe".

He said that he was inclined to "expel candidates for immigration in short order, even on the day of their arrival".

Noting that Denmark was experiencing an unemployment rate of about 10 per cent of the workforce or 275,000 people, which was one of the highest levels in western Europe, he said that Denmark "will not open its frontiers to immigration under these conditions".

But he said that "tourists are welcome provided that they do not intend to seek asylum in Denmark".

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#90334d4410 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Paris (NOV. 30) - Eastern Europe needs huge and prompt injections of foreign capital and radical economic reforms without delay, experts said here Friday at the close of a conference held by the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development.

''The task which faces these countries is getting bigger and bigger. You definitely cannot say they are over the worst,'' said one economist at the conference.

An economic collapse in the Soviet Union would add to the problems of the other eastern European nations which all still depend on the Soviets for trade, concurred the experts.

''Capital has to flow from west to east, or else you'll have labour moving from east to west,'' said German Professor Herbert Giersch, former head of the prestigious Kiel Institute of the World Economy, in an interview.

The conference considered that eastern European governments should push ahead with the transition from a communist to a free-market economy by ending price controls, privatising industry and adapting to the world marketplace.

The experts said those governments should not be deterred by the hardship that would hit low-income earners through such policies.

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#90334d4430 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (NOV. 30) - An upsurge in tanker demand was seen in the Middle East Gulf over the past week, prompting an increase in rates, London brokers E.A. Gibson said Friday in their weekly report.

This was due to charterers scrambling for supplies, as fears of war were increased by the U.N. resolution authorising the use of force against Irak if it has not withdrawn from Kuwait by January 15.

Thirty vessels, approximating to 8 million deadweight tonnes of cargo, were fixed during the week. This leaves only some 46 vessels, or 13 million tonnes of cargo, available for the balance of the year.

In contrast an over-abundance of tonnage in West Africa, combined with a slight reduction in enquiry, resulted in rates declining.

Lower rates were also seen in the Mediterranean, in the Caribbeans and in the North Sea.

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#90334d4440 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (NOV. 30) - Israel's former defense minister and the Labor Party's number two, Yitzhak Rabin, said Friday his country should not dismiss a possible federal agreement with a future Palestine.

Speaking to a group of Labor doves at Beit Berl near Tel Aviv, Rabin said he was opposed to a "rewriting of the peace model with Egypt, with Arab factors in the region," as proposed by the ruling Likud government. He added that Likud's aim is "to sidestep the Palestinian problem but it won't work."

He was referring to the previous Likud administration of Menachem Begin which in March 1979 signed the Camp David accords with Egypt under U.S. auspices.

The agreement provided for Israeli withdrawal from the Sinai peninsula. But a second accord, which has not been implemented, calls for "autonomy" for Palestinians in the occupied territories.

In another meeting, this time with Labor hardliners on Thursday in the Tel Avi suburb of Ramat Gan, the party's leader Shimon Peres blasted doves Arie Eliav and Yossi Beilin, whom he charged with wanting to change the party's program banning talks with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

"We will not hold talks with (PLO chairman Yasser) Arafat, the friend of Saddam Hussein. We've never accepted to talk to the PLO in the past and we have no intention to do so now," he said. He added that Arabs from the occupied territories should not be pinned to the wall, "we must provide them an outlet instead, a dialogue."

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#90334d4510 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TAIF, SAUDI ARABIA (NOV. 30) - Kuwait's government-in-exile Friday joined other countries in welcoming the U.N. Security Council resolution which authorized the use of military force against Iraq if it does not withdraw its troops from Kuwait by Jan. 15.

Kuwaiti Crown Prince and Prime Minister Sheikh Saad al-Abdullah as-Sabah said the ''historic resolution'' was a victory for ''right, justice and peace''.

In a statement carried by the Kuwaiti News Agency (Kuna), Saad said: ''The resolution, by affirming the unity and determination of the international community to put an end to the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait, constitutes a clear and firm message which, we hope, the president of the Iraqi regime will understand its meaning by acting to withdraw completely from all Kuwaiti territory.''

Abdullah Yaqoub Bishara, Secretary General of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (Gcc), said Friday the resolution reflected the will of the international community and was based on the principles of the U.N. Charter.

''The resolution was a message not only to Iraq, but also to anyone who acts in Iraq's manner and resorts to force instead of solving problems through dialogue,'' said Bishara, a Kuwaiti, in a statement broadcast by Kuwait Radio, which is believed to be transmitting from somewhere in Saudi Arabia.

The Gcc comprises Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain, Oman and the United Arab Emirates (Uae). It was set up in 1981 to coordinate economic and defense policies of the six oil-rich states.

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#90334d4530 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) - U.S. President George Bush Friday said he would send Secretary of State James Baker to meet Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad next month and invited Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz to meet him here in Washington in a last ditch bid to avert war in the Gulf.

Bush, in a nationally televised address, said "to go the extra mile for peace" he was inviting the Iraqi foreign minister to the White House during the latter part of the week of Dec. 10 to discuss the Gulf crisis with him.

Ambassadors from other partners in the U.S.-led anti-Iraq alliance in the Gulf would also be invited to the discussions, he said.

Baker could then go to Baghdad for talks with Hussein between Dec. 15 and Jan.

15, the deadline set Thursday by a U.N. resolution calling on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait or face military action by the military forces now in the Gulf, he said.

"Within the mandate of the United Nations resolution, I will be prepared -- and so will Secretary Baker -- to discuss all aspects of the Gulf Crisis, " Bush said.

"However, to be very clear about these efforts to exhaust all means to achieving a political and diplomatic solution, I am not suggesting discussions that will result in anything less than Iraq's complete withdrawl from Kuwait, restoration of Kuwait's legitimate government and freedom for all hostages," he said.

I hope we will never have one singly shot fired in anger" in the Gulf, he said.

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#90334d4730 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV. 30) - The natural rubber market traded quietly over the past week in London, as demand remained low, traders said Friday.

The price for Ribbed Smoked Sheet No. 1 (RSS 1) for December delivery closed at 520 pounds per tonne against 512.5 the previous Friday.

Traders said there were few orders from the industry on the physical market, and higher grades of rubber, which had been fairly strong recently, came off slightly. Lower grades held well.

On the production side, recent heavy rains in the Far East seemed to be receding, although tapping is still running below last year's levels, they added.

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#90334d4740 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) - An air offensive could dominate any war against Iraq, experts said after Thursday's U.N. vote authorizing the use of military force to dislodge Iraq from Kuwait.

Former assistant defense secretary Richard Perle defended the idea of heavy reliance on air power and scant use of ground forces in his testimony before the Senate Armed Services Committee.

"It would seem to me an entirely plausible approach, if force becomes necessary, to execute air strikes against critical Iraqi installations to achieve control of the air over Iraq and Kuwait," Mr. Perle said.

"And then over many weeks or even months if necessary," he added, air strikes could "further ... interdict the supply of Iraqi forces in Kuwait to the point where I think we could hope to force surrender without engaging the Iraqi army on the ground."

"I would not recommend engaging the Iraqi army on the ground," Mr. Perle stressed.

The scenario favored by Mr. Perle differs from the strategy advanced most often since the onset of the crisis in early August.

This would entail use of air power to attack certain Iraqi installations to disrupt communications, as well as a tank offensive to cut off Iraqi troops in Kuwait from back-up forces, and subject them to attack from another front.

Retired admiral William Crowe, former chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, voiced support of an air-and-ground offensive before the Senate committee Wednesday.

Mr. Crowe called for an "intensive air campaign" against Iraqi weapons-producing installations followed by "a subsequent ground campaign to cut off Kuwait and subsequently free it."

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#90334d4780 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 30) - China and the United States are to open a joint business center in the northeast that will act as a "one-stop" information source for traders and investors, U.S. diplomatic sources said here Friday.

The U.S.-China Business Information Service Center is to officially open December 17 in the industrial city of Shenyang, in what was once known as Manchuria, the sources said.

Billed as the "first in China to combine the resources and information of American and Chinese business and trade organizations," the center comes as Western nations drop sanctions imposed after last year's Tiananmen crackdown.

Washington, which led the global outrage at China's use of military force to silence pro-democracy protests, was set Friday to receive Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, effectively ending its post-Tiananmen ban on high-level contacts.

The U.S. sources said the Shenyang business center would provide Americans with data on trade and investment opportunities in northeast China, a stronghold for state-owned heavy industry.

Chinese businessmen meanwhile will be able to turn to the center for help in finding U.S. suppliers or partners, they added.

The United States is China's second-biggest source of foreign investment, after Hong Kong, and its third-biggest trading partner, after Hong Kong and Japan.

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#90334d4800 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (NOV 30) - North Sea Brent crude oil dropped here late Friday afternoon, after a U.S. announcement that Secretary of State James Baker would visit Baghdad to meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein over the Gulf crisis.

Brent for January delivery was at 31.95 dollars a barrel at about 1630 GMT, against 32.15 just before the announcement and 32.95 dollars a barrel at the Thursday close.

U.S. President George Bush also said he would invite Iraqi foreign minister Tariq Aziz to Washington. These moves were interpreted by the market as a conciliatory U.S. gesture.

In New York, crude dropped sharply. At about 1730 GMT, Light Sweet Crude for January delivery was down 2.91 dollars on the day to 30.00 dollars a barrel.

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#90334d4810 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN SALVADOR (NOV. 30) - Salvadoran rebels said Friday they had shot down their second air force helicopter in four days as an 11-day-old guerrilla offensive continued.

An underground radio of the rebel Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) said the guerrillas shot down the U.S-made UH-1H copter with small arms fire during an air force counterinsurgency operation in the central department of Cuscatlan.

In another development, rebels here in the capital threw a grenade at an army tank early Friday near the University of El Salvador, killing one soldier and wounding two others, eyewitnesses said.

Last Tuesday FMLN forces brought down a first UH-1H helicopter in the southeastern Usulutan region. A week earlier they shot down an A-37 jet fighter.

The FMLN recently confirmed that it had obtained Soviet-made SAM missiles and U.S.-made Red Eye missiles and said one of the SAM's had been used to shoot down the A-37.

The Salvadoran Armed Forces Press Committee had no comment on the reported

downing of the latest helicopter, which the rebels said occured in the past few hours.

Meanwhile, military spokesmen said Friday that two rebels had been killed in separate incidents in the rural provinces of Chalatenango and San Miguel.

The committee also said two women were injured Thursday in the rebel bombing of an electrical post in the southwestern area of the capital, San Salvador.

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#90334d4840 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG, (NOV 30) - Former British prime minister Edward Heath met Chinese Premier Li Peng in Beijing Friday for talks on Chinese economic matters and international affairs, the New China News Agency (NCNA) said.

In a report monitored here, the official agency said Mr. Li praised Mr. Heath for his efforts in promoting Sino-British relations and described him as an "old friend of China" during their one-hour meeting.

Mr. Li also briefed the former premier on the policies and measures China had taken to curb inflation, stimulate production, "enliven the market, provide more jobs and expand economic cooperation with other countries," NCNA said, without giving further details.

Also present at the meeting was Han Nianlong, president of the Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs, who had invited Mr. Heath to China.

Mr. Heath, who is on his 14th visit to China, arrived three days ago and is next scheduled to tour Shanghai, the agency said, without specifying the length of the visit.

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#90334d4860 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (NOV 30) - Jordan's Foreign Minister Marwan al-Qassem on Friday hailed U.S. President George Bush's proposal to send his chief diplomat to meet Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and invite Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz to meet him in Washington in a bid to avert war in the Gulf.

"Jordan welcomes this proposal which opens the door to dialogue and in which it encourages all parties to participate," he told Agence France-Presse, adding that negotiations "will save the world a tragic catastrophe."

Mr. Qassem said that Jordan had "from the start of the (Gulf) crisis been opposed to the use of force."

In a nationally televised address, Mr. Bush said he was going the extra mile

for peace by inviting the Iraqi foreign minister to the White House during the latter part of the week of December 10 to discuss the Gulf crisis with him.

Secretary of State James Baker could then go to Baghdad for talks with Mr. Hussein between December 15 and January 15, the deadline set Thursday by a U.N. resolution calling on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, which it invaded on August 2, or face military action by the military forces now in the Gulf, Mr. Bush said.

"Our geographical position makes us more aware of the military threat and has led us to make every effort to avoid it," Mr. Qassem said. Jordan has backed Iraq while calling for it to withdraw from Kuwait and has complied with international sanctions against the government of Baghdad.

The Jordanian foreign minister also said that "lifting the embargo on talks will facilitate an honorable compromise for all parties."

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#90334d4940 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (NOV 30) - Australian carrier Qantas is to begin flights to Ho Chi Minh City later this month, the official Vietnam News Agency (VNA) said Friday.

The clearance follows talks between Vietnamese civil aviation officials and Qantas last week, VNA said.

The first Qantas flight from Sydney through Melbourne and on to Ho Chi Minh City (formerly Saigon) will take place on December 22, the news agency said.

Ho Chi Minh City, the country's economic capital, is now served by Thai Airways, Garuda Indonesia, Air France, Lufthansa, and Aeroflot.

The relatively isolated capital of Hanoi, in the north, is only served by Eastern European carriers and the region's airlines -- Thai Airways, Laotian carrier Lao Aviation and Cambodian airline Air Cambodge.

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#90334d5000 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (NOV. 30) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,273.00 (1,263.50) 1,287.50 (1,279.50)
Lead 340.00 (340.00) 344.50 (344.50)
Zinc Sh 1,236.50 (1,251.50) 1,224.00 (1,237.50)
Tin (in dollars) 5,940.00 (5,997.50) 5,950.00 (5,999.00)

Aluminium (in dollars) 1,510.00 (1,525.00) 1,545.50 (1,559.50)

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#90334d5060 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WELLINGTON (NOV. 30) - The head of New Zealand's largest public company demanded on Friday the sacking of Reserve Bank Governor Don Brash and senior officials of the central bank and Treasury.

Hugh Fletcher of Fletcher Challenge Ltd. said in an opening address to an economic conference convened by new Prime Minister Jim Bolger: "The governor and senior officials of the Reserve Bank and Treasury should be sacked.

"If the private sector is to believe that monetary policy and the real exchange rate have permanently changed, the people wedded to past policies must go and be replaced by people committed to the new," he said.

Mr. Fletcher also said the government should scrap defence spending, close diplomatic posts, immediately relax monetary policy and guarantee low wage increases for the next three years.

He said there should be "an announcement that New Zealand cannot afford its grandiose aspirations to defence forces and foreign affairs overseas representation and that getting New Zealanders back into well-remunerated employment is the most important security issue New Zealand faces.

"The announcement should incorporate cancellation of military hardware orders and closure of overseas offices."

He also advocated that the Reserve Bank Act, which states that the governor's sole objective is to achieve an inflation rate of between zero per cent and two per cent by 1992, should be changed to aim for a rate less than the average among the 24-nation Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development.

"If we do not want disaster, an immediate package of consistent action to increase demand is necessary," he said.

At the conference were Mr. Bolger, Finance Minister Ruth Richardson, other cabinet ministers and key private sector leaders.

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#90334d5120 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) - President George Bush Friday said a group of Iraqis had given food and cigarettes to American diplomats holding out at the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait, but warned he felt "provoked" by Iraq's treatment of the diplomats.

While fielding reporters' questions after reading a statement in which he proposed high-level U.S.-Iraqi contacts to avert a war in the Gulf, Mr. Bush said he had been informed Friday of the deliveries made at the U.S. embassy.

He said a group of Iraqis Thursday had given the U.S. diplomats fruit, vegetables and a case of cigarettes, promising to return Saturday with more supplies, including soft drinks.

Without saying whether the Iraqis were civilians or military people, Mr. Bush said they had also instructed the diplomats to make a list of medical supplies they needed.

"This could be a positive sign, but it's so far short of compliance with international law that I can't be rejoicing," said Mr. Bush.

Twenty-five American diplomats have been resisting Iraqi orders that they redeploy to Baghdad, since Kuwait was declared an Iraqi province shortly after it was overrun by Iraqi troops on August 2.

The diplomats have been living on a diet of tuna fish and rice and drinking water from the embassy's swimming pool. Iraq refuses to allow any supplies into the compound.

"This treatment of our embassy violates every civilized principle of diplomacy ... it demeans our people, it demeans our country," Mr. Bush said in his televised statement.

"Consider me provoked when I see Americans without proper food and medical equipment," he added.

Mr. Bush said he was "deeply concerned," adding that he was "determined that this, embassy, as called for under Security Council Resolution 674, be fully replenished and our people free to come home."

During his speech, Mr. Bush said the treatment given the American diplomats, the holding of foreign hostages by Iraq and the atrocities committed by Iraqi troops against the Kuwaiti people were among the reasons he had committed U.S. troops in the Gulf.

His speech came a day after the U.N. Security Council passed its 12th resolution on the Gulf crisis, authorizing the international coalition in the Gulf to "use all means necessary" to dislodge Iraqi troops from Kuwait if Baghdad does not pull them out voluntarily by January 15.

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#90334d5150 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NDJAMENA (NOV 30) - Chad's government on Friday admitted it was "worried" about fighting in the east of the country, where the French government say Chadian rebels have captured a key town, but went on blaming Libyan-backed "mercenaries".

President Hissein Habre's government said in a statement issued here after a crisis meeting that regular troops were confronted with "hordes of mercenaries from Libya and Sudan" in eastern Chad, where the military situation "remains worrying".

In Paris, a French Foreign Ministry spokesman confirmed that rebels led by former Chadian army chief Idriss Deby had captured Abeche, the most important town in the region, which is very close to an air force base manned by some 500 French troops.

Abeche, the traditional, religious centre of eastern Chad, lies in a ring of hills in the desert, some 800 kilometres (500 miles) from Ndjamena, and has more than 25,000 inhabitants.

"Libya has not given up its dream of dominating Chad," the government said in its statement here, calling for "general mobilization and vigilance" among the people. Radio Chad meanwhile commended the United States for reportedly taking a "courageous position" in condemning Libya for "massively arming the rebels".

Mr. Deby's Patriotic Salvation Movement (MPS), well-trained and well-armed, moved around the French base and took Abeche without a fight, while government troops fell back to Oum Hadjer, 100 kilometres (some 60 miles) to the west on the road to Ndjamena, according to reliable sources in Paris.

"The job of French forces is not to intervene in fighting among Chadians," the French Foreign Ministry spokesman said in Paris, adding that "to the best of our knowledge, there are no non-Chadian elements among the rebels".

As in the past, the Ndjamena government, which has a long-running border dispute with Libya, has charged that Tripoli and Khartoum are behind the latest rebel attack, launched on November 10 from Sudan's western province of Darfur. Chad says the shadowy Libyan-formed Islamic Legion has massed there.

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JOHANNESBURG, (NOV 30) - Kenya has given South African Airways (SAA) the go-ahead to begin a weekly flight to Nairobi from December 8, the SAA said in a statement late Friday.

The announcement followed talks Friday between South African Foreign Minister Pik Botha and Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi in the Kenyan capital. It was not possible to obtain immediate confirmation of the report in Nairobi.

Last month Mr. Moi cancelled a plan to start weekly flights between Nairobi and Johannesburg, saying he would not allow the flights until apartheid was fully abolished and the international community had reviewed its stance on sanctions against South Africa.

The cancellation was thought to have been in response to a plea by African National Congress (ANC) deputy president Nelson Mandela, who had criticised the decision to start the flights, which were to have begun on December 1.

The new flight, which has been delayed by a week, was a further indication of "the normalisation of relations between African countries" and followed approval of the weekly service by the Kenyan government, the SAA said.

State-run television said Friday night the main purpose of Mr. Botha's visit to Kenya was to discuss trade links and did not hinge only on air links.

Mr. Botha, who flew into Nairobi aboard a private jet, was due to return to South Africa later Friday.

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#90334d5320 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WARSAW, (NOV 30) - Polish bishops urge Poles in a diocesan letter to be read Sunday in all the country's churches to vote for Lech Walesa as president, the news agency PAP reported Friday.

The bishops said "the nation's helm" must be handed over to the person who would continue the "great effort" made by "the nation, gathered around the idea of solidarity, to get rid of the totalitarian system."

In Poland, where 95 per cent of the population is Roman Catholic, the church's opinion carries considerable weight, notably in the countryside.

A public opinion poll published by PAP on Friday showed that Mr. Walesa led his rival Stanislaw Tyminski by 58 per cent to 30 per cent.

The president of the Solidarity trade union is running against Polish-Canadian-Peruvian businessman Mr. Tyminski in the second round of Poland's presidential election on December 9.

In their letter the bishops also urge Poles to cast a vote, stressing their "moral duty" to do so.

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#90334d5400 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ACCRA (NOV. 30) - A ceasefire accord signed in the Malian capital Bamako last

Wednesday by the three factions in the Liberian civil war broke down Friday with the small rebel group led by Prince Yormie Johnson fighting remnants of slain president Samuel Doe's Armed Forces of Liberia (Afl), the British Broadcasting Corporation (Bbc) reported.

Bbc said Johnson was on his way to see the interim president Amos Sawyer when he was told by civilians not to go because an ambush had been laid for him by Doe's forces.

The rebel leader sent spies into town who confirmed that Doe's troops were at the ministry of defence waiting for him, Bbc said.

Johnson then collected his men from two fronts and they engaged the Armed Forces of Liberia troops at the ministry of defence, killing three of them and capturing a lieutenant.

They pushed from there to Johnson Street where they killed two more, according to the broadcast.

Bbc said Johnson's men are now in the market across the street from the Barkay training centre and on the beach behind it with orders to take the training centre where the Afl is encamped.

''We will continue to to fight until the interim government makes a decision on whether it will use my army or the Afl. Doe did not go to Banjul (Gambia) to elect an interim government. We elected Sawyer. Ecomog (the West African peacekeeping force) has failed,'' Bbc quoted Johnson as saying.

Ceasefire agreements between the two factions have repeatedly broken down. Doe was captured and later killed by Johnson's men shortly after a ceasefire between them last September. Only last October 24, the two sides signed another truce at Banjul.

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#90334d5460 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV 30) - Burma's military government signed a tin production-sharing contract with a private Thai firm Friday in Rangoon, state-run Rangoon Radio said in a broadcast monitored here.

The contract calls for Bangkok-based Sahapol Siri Co. Ltd. to conduct tin exploration near Mong Kyawt, near the Thai border some 450 kilometers (280 miles) northeast of Rangoon.

It is the fourth tin production-sharing venture the Burmese Mining Ministry has signed with a Thai firm this year, the radio said.

The radio also said that a total of 615 private enterprises and 512

joint-venture firms were registered with the military government. A total of 76 foreign companies have opened in Rangoon in the past two years, it added.

The military junta, which seized power in a September 1988 coup after crushing a student-led movement for democracy, has attempted to implement an open-door economic policy to revive Burma's economy.

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#90334d5510 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) - U.S. President George Bush, armed with a U.N. green light for war against Iraq, Tuesday offered to dispatch Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad to "go the last mile for peace."

But Bush stressed he would not negotiate with Iraq and warned that if the United States had to go to war over Kuwait it would be quick and not "another Vietnam."

Bush delivered the surprise message in a solemn, televised broadcast the day after the U.N. Security Council voted to approve the use of force against Iraq if Baghdad fails to withdrawm from Kuwait by Jan. 15.

"To go the extra mile for peace, I will issue an invitation for Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz to come to Washington at a mutually convenient time during the latter part of the week of Dec. 10th to meet with me," he said.

Ambassadors of several countries allied with the United States against Iraq would also be invited to attend the meeting in Washington, Bush said.

He proposed sending Baker to meet Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad anytime from Dec. 15 to Jan. 15.

"However, to be very clear about these efforts to exhaust all means for achieving a political and diplomatic solution, I am not suggesting discussions that will result in anything less than Iraq's complete withdrawal from Kuwait, restoration of Kuwait's legitimate government and freedom for all the hostages."

Emphasizing that despite 12 U.N. resolutions Hussein still failed to understand that he was up against the world, Bush added, "I can't think of any better way to do it at this juncture, in the wake of a U.N. resolution, than this face-to-face meeting."

Asked why he was proposing talks now when previously he had rejected sending an envoy to Iraq, Bush said the situation had changed with the approval of the U.N. Security Council resolution.

"The United Nations resolution, I think, has a good chance of making Saddam

Hussein understand what it is he's up against. I have not felt that he got the message. I hope this will do it," Bush told reporters after making the announcement.

"But I am convinced that these two direct meetings that I've discussed here will guarantee to all the people of the world, certainly to the American people, that Saddam Hussein not misunderstand, not misintepret."

At the same time, he said such a U.S. mission to Iraq should not be considered an ultimatum.

The U.S. president said he had received no signal from Iraq that it wanted to talk and he noted that it was not certain Baghdad would accept the U.S. proposal. "I'm not all that hopeful that we'll get a big result out of all this, "he said.

Bush immediately set limits for the meeting between Hussein and Baker. "But it isn't, you know a trip of concession. When you've done what he's done, I don't see that there's room for concession, there's room for giving something to save face," he said.

Bush also disclosed a "very interesting report." The Iraqis, he said, had delivered fruit, vegetables and a case of Iraqi cigarettes to the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait Saturday, which has been besieged by Iraqi forces since early August.

"And apparently there's going to be another delivery tomorrow, including soda pop. And they asked what medical supplies were required," he said.

"This could be a positive sign. But it's so far short of compliance with international law that I can't be rejoicing. But it is a very interesting development," he said.

Reaffirming his concern over the "rape and pillage" of Kuwait, its future, the condition of the hostages and the U.S. Embassy and Hussein's "insatiable appetite" for nuclear arms, Bush responded to members of Congress and others who have counseled patience by warning that there were disadvantages to waiting too long.

"I want peace, not war," he said, adding that he would continue to be patient. But he said the U.N. resolution is a clear message to Hussein that "time is running out."

"If there must be war, we will not permit our troops to have their hands tied behind their backs, and I pledge to you there will not be any murky ending," he said.

Bush referred to the "heart moving" mail he has received and noted the fears of a repeat of the U.S. experience in Vietnam.

"Let me assure you," he said. "Should military action be required this will not be another Vietnam. This will not be a protracted drawn-out war."

He said he personally would make the decision whether to take military action, adding that he could not ask the advice of every member of Congress.

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#90334d5530 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (NOV 30) - The Namibian government is irrevocably committed to a mixed economy in which the foreign investor has a critical role to play, Trade and Industry Mnister Ben Amathila said on Friday.

Introducing the keenly-awaited Foreign Investments Bill in the national assembly here, Mr. Amathila said it sought to provide certain basic guarantees to foreign investors, addressing most of their concerns.

"Special recognition is, however, given to economicaly important investments, in respect of which the government will issue to the investor a status investment certificate," he said.

The Bill essentially provides a foreign investor with certain privileges, particularly in regard to repatriation of the investment and profits made on the investment, the Minister said.

It provides for a "liberal foreign investment regime" with the only possible contraints being in regard to exploitation of Nambia's natural resources, or in respect of business providing services or producing goods that could be done adequately by Namibians.

Criteria for eligibility for a status investment certificate include the extent to which the investment would contribute toward Namibia's development objectives, Mr. Amathila said.

Under the bill submitted on Friday, certificate holders would be able to freely, after tax, transfer profits and dividends out of the country.

Provision is also made for retention of foreign currency outside Namibia for goods produced by certificate holders in the country or from exports.

No foreign national doing business in Namibia is required to have government participation or any Namibian as a partner or shareholder, or to transfer his business to the government or a Namibian.

In case of dispute, the certificate provides for arbitration in accordance with the arbitration rules of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law in force at the time.

In cases where provision is not made for international arbitration, the case will be decided by Namibian courts.

The Namibian government is preparing to hold a private sector investment conference in Windhoek from February 3 to 6 next year.

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#90334d5670 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (NOV. 30) - Baghdad will officially respond on "Saturday at the earliest" to U.S. President George Bush's proposal to hold talks with Iraq to avert war in the Gulf, reliable Iraqi sources said here late Friday.

"Iraqi authorities, who followed with interest President Bush's statements in a bid to study and review their import, will not be able to respond before Saturday at the earliest," one of the sources said.

In a nationally televised address, Mr. Bush said he was going the extra mile for peace by inviting the Iraqi foreign minister to the White House during the latter part of the week of December 10 to discuss the Gulf crisis with him.

Secretary of State James Baker could then go to Baghdad for talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein between December 15 and January 15, the deadline set Thursday by a United Nations' resolution.

The resolution called on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, which it invaded on August 2, or face military action by the forces mustered in the Gulf, Mr. Bush said.

Iraqi television and radio broadcast no reaction late Friday to Mr. Bush's statements and the Iraqi News Agency carried no dispatches or comments from officials.

Analysts here noted, however, that Mr. Bush's proposal represented a change from previous (U.S.) positions.

The initiative "is in response to the need, underlined repeatedly by Iraqi oficials, to engage in direct talks (with the United States) on a peaceful settlement of the Gulf crisis," one said.

In Jordan, a close ally of Iraq, Foreign Minister Marwan al-Qassem hailed Mr. Bush's statements.

"Jordan welcomes this proposal which opens the door to dialogue and in which it encourages all parties to participate," he told Agence France-Presse, adding that negotiations "will save the world a tragic catastrophe."

Mr. Qassem said that Jordan had "from the start of the (Gulf) crisis has been opposed to the use of force."

Jordan has backed Iraq, while also calling for it to withdraw from Kuwait and complying with international sanctions against the government of Baghdad.

In Tunis, a senior Palestine Liberation Organization official said the PLO warmly welcomed the U.S. initiative on peaceful discussions and asked that the dialogue include other regional problems.

Yasser Abed Rabbo, a member of the PLO's executive committee, told Agence France-Presse Mr. Bush's initiative was "a step in the right direction" but asked that the Iraqi-U.S. dialogue also treat "in a substantive manner all the problems of the Middle East region, including the convocation of a peace conference and the need to settle the Palestinian question."

In another development, Iraqi television reported late Friday that Iraqis would demonstrate Saturday morning to protest against what officials here call an "unfair" U.N. Security Council resolution.

According to the television, the demonstrations "will be organized to protest against the unfair U.S. resolution, adopted under the guise of the United Nations Security Council."

The demonstrations will coincide with the commemoration in Iraq of the "Day of the Martyr" -- celebrated every December 1 -- marking the death of 1,500 Iraqi prisoners whom Baghdad said were assassinated by Iran in 1981.

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#90334d5720 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 30) - Stepan Pogossian was elected First Secretary of the Armenian Communist Party on Friday, the official news agency TASS reported.

Mr. Pogossian, 58, succeeds Vladimir Movsessian.

Mr. Pogossian, head of the Yerevan region, spent 15 years as head of Armenia's radio and television, before becoming director of its news agency Armenpress.

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#90334d5730 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (NOV. 30) - Kakhar Makhamov, leader of the Tadzhik Communist Party, was elected president of the Soviet Republic of Tadzhikistan for five years, Izvestia reported Friday.

Mr. Makhamov was elected by the Supreme Soviet in the republic's capital Dushanbe after it introduced a law creating the post of president earlier in

the day.

Mr. Makhamov's only opponent was Rakman Nabiyev, head of the Communist Party until 1985.

Kadriddin Aslonov was elected to the presidency of the Soviet Supreme, where he was first vice president.

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#90334d5820 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (NOV 30) - Israel's Defense Minister Moshe Arens decided Friday to scrap a project to build two military submarines in Germany, Defense Ministry sources in Tel Aviv said.

The two Dolphin-type subs, whose purchase was first proposed a decade ago, were part of a contract signed with German shipyards and for which 10 percent of the cost -- 570 million dollars -- has already been paid.

According to the sources, Mr. Arens decided to terminate the vessels' construction for financial reasons. "The Defense Ministry doesn't have the means to pursue the project."

Military sources said the next Israeli chief of staff, General Ehud Barak, who assumes his new duties on April 1, was opposed to the project, preferring instead "more important weapons systems."

The Israeli navy's commander, Admiral Misha Ram, and his predecessor Abraham ben-Shoshan, have repeatedly spoken in favor of the project.

"Without submarines, the Israeli navy has no future."

During the Reagan administration, Israel attempted to use Foreign Military Sales (FMS) credits to purchase the German-made diesel subs but Washington insisted that under the conditions of the loans, the funding had to be used in purchasing American hardware.

U.S. shipyards, upon the insistence of then navy secretary John Lehman, had been converted from building the cheaper diesel submarines to nuclear-powered vessels, which would have added substantially to the Israeli FMS price tag.

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#90334d5840 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC 1) - Australia's Minister for Primary Industries and Energy John Kerin was due to leave here Saturday after lobbying China to increase its purchases of Australian wool, diplomatic sources said.

China's wool imports have dropped sharply due to the austerity program implemented here in September 1988 and weak domestic demand.

After importing more than 213 million kilograms (470 million pounds) of wool in 1988, including nearly 80 million kilos (176 million pounds) from Australia,

China is expected to buy just 22 million kilos (48 million pounds) of wool abroad this year, at most nine million kilos (20 million pounds) of it from Australia.

Mr. Kerin, who arrived here late Thursday, met Friday with top officials of the China National Textile Import and Export Corporation before dining with Textile Industry Minister Wu Wenying, the Australian Embassy said.

He met during the afternoon with Agriculture Minister Liu Zhongyi.

Mr. Kerin is the second Australian minister to visit China since the June 1989 crackdown on the democracy movement, following Minister for Trade Negotiations Neal Blewett who was here in September.

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#90334d6000 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (NOV 30) (AFP) - The Czechoslovak government adopted an austerity budget on Friday, calling for a surplus of 6.2 billion korunas (258 million dollars) and marked by a sharp cut in military spending and a rise in social expenditures.

The budget calls for receipts of 108.5 billion korunas (4.5 billion dollars), and for spending 55 billion korunas in the social domain, more than half of the planned spending of 102.3 billion.

Some 8.5 billion is planned for unemployment compensation, and some studies say the country must expect as many as 800,000 unemployed workers next month.

Thirty-four billion korunas will go into offsetting various increases in the prices of foods, electricity and heating, for poor classes, while 11 billion will be used for family allowances and related payments.

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#90334d6030 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (NOV 30) - China and Thailand have agreed to boost their trade by 20 percent in 1991, the official China Daily reported Friday.

Two-way trade should reach 1.44 billion dollars next year, up from 1.2 expected this year, the same level as in 1989, according to the Thai Embassy here.

The agreement was signed here Thursday by China's vice-minister for trade, Shen Jueren, and Thai Deputy Foreign Minster Amnuay Yossuck, the newspaper said.

Under the agreement, China will import Thai rice, sugar, tapioca and rubber while Thailand will buy Chinese oil, cement, cotton, coal, medical products and electrical appliances.

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#90334d6060 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JEDDAH (NOV 30) - U.S. President George Bush Friday conferred by telephone with each of Saudi Arabia's King Fahd and Kuwait's exiled Emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, on his call for direct U.S.-Iraqi talks to find a solution to the Gulf crisis, informed sources here told the German Press Agency dpa.

Earlier, the Saudi Press Agency (Spa) said Bush and Fahd reviewed during their telephone conversation ''the latest developments in the Arab Gulf region and discussed matters of mutual concern.'' It gave no other details.

An official Kuwaiti spokesman in Taif, the Saudi summer resort where Kuwait's government-in-exile has set up shop, said Bush and Jaber ''exchanged viewpoints on the latest regional and international developments in the light of the latest U.N. Security Council resolution,'' which authorised military action against Iraq if it does not withdraw its troops from Kuwait by Jan. 15.

The telephone conversation between the two men was very cordial and their viewpoints were completely identical, the spokesman said in a statement carried by the Kuwaiti News Agency (Kuna).

Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak also telephoned King Fahd ''as part of constant consultations between the two leaders on developments in the Arab region aimed at serving the issues of the Arab and Moslem nations,'' Spa reported.

It said Fahd later telephoned Jaber to exchange viewpoints on the Gulf crisis, spawned by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2.

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#90334d6120 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 30) - The United States is sending more warplanes to the Gulf including of F-111 tactical fighter bombers and F117A Stealth fighters, as part of a deployment to strengthen U.S. offensive capability in the region, officials said Friday.

In another development, the Air Force, Marine Corps and Navy said they had

called up more than 3,500 reservists for active duty in Operation Desert Shield, bringing their total to about 100,000 reservists.

The Air Force said the F117A Stealth fighters would be sent to the Arabian peninsula next week from the 37th Tactical Fighter Wing based at Tonopah Test Range, Nevada.

The number of stealth fighters -- designed to evade detection by radar -- being deployed was not disclosed.

A squadron of F-111s from the 48th Tactical Fighter Wing were sent to the Gulf beginning Thursday from the Royal Air Force Station Lakenheath, said Captain Besty Well, an Air Force spokeswoman at the Pentagon.

She said maintenance and combat personnel from the 48th Tactical Fighter Wing also were dispatched to the Gulf but she declined to say how many.

Air Force officials said there were plans to deploy other aircraft to the Gulf but would provide no further details.

Air Force spokesman Col. Joseph Purka said he could not comment on a report Friday in the Los Angeles Times that the Pentagon was sending 300 more warplanes to the Gulf.

Citing unidentified defense sources, the newspaper said the new deployment would include a second squadron of F-117 Stealth fighters and additional A-16 tank killers, F-15E ground-attack jets, F-16 fighters, RF-4C photo-reconaissance jets and refueling tankers.

Reinforcements reportedly will come from 27 Air Force units with about 10,000 personnel. The extra units will be dispatched from Europe and U.S.-based Air National Guard and reserve squadrons, the paper said.

Earlier this month President George Bush said he would send up to 200,000 more troops to the Gulf in addition to the 240,000 deployed since Iraq invaded Kuwait August 2.

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#90334d6420 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (DEC 1) - Saudi Arabia decided Friday to wipe out Egypt's 4.5-billion-dollar debt, the official Saudi news agency SPA reported.

Quoting a spokesman, SPA said "King Fahd has handed down directives to wipe out the debt due by Egypt to the Saudi Government." The decision was to be relayed to Egypt Saturday at a meeting in Cairo of the Saudi-Egyptian joint commission.

Egypt has deployed some 20,000 soldiers in the Gulf, many in Saudi Arabia, as a leading member of the anti-Iraqi coalition.

In October Riyadh had given Egypt 675 million dollars in aid, including 175 millions to assist the return of Egyptians who fled Kuwait following the Iraqi invasion of August 2.

The remaining 500 million dollars were a contribution toward economic projects in Egypt, which has been hard-hit by the Gulf crisis.

The United States recently cancelled Egypt's military debt, which was estimated at some 7.5 billion dollars.

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#90334d6590 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC 1) - Five British hostages from Iraq returned here late Friday, with wives of three of the hostages meeting them at Heathrow airport.

The three released men met by their wives had all been working on decorating Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's palace in Baghdad when Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

The Iraqi authorities agreed to release on December 5 some 21 men involved in building the palace, the wife of one of the men released said. They agreed to let three go early after their wives put in a special plea on their behalf.

The two other men to return with them on a flight taking other hostages back to Europe via Istanbul, Stockholm and Copenhagen, were released due to ill health.

The five British hostages released were Jimmy Concepcion from Runcorn, James Forshaw and David Thelwell from Liverpool, Richard Padgett from Manchester (all in the North of England) and Julian McCulloch from London.

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#90334d6620 11/30/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV 30) - President George Bush telephoned four Middle East leaders Friday to inform them of his decision to launch high-level discussions with Iraq over the Gulf crisis, the White House said.

Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said that Mr. Bush made separate calls to Saudi ruler King Fahd, Kuwaiti Emir Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmad al-Sabah, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Turkish President Turgut Ozal.

Mr. Bush told the four of his invitation to Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz to come to Washington for discussions and his intention to send Secretary of

State James Baker to Baghdad to ensure that Iraq was aware of the international community's determination that Iraq should pull out of Kuwait.

All four reacted in "positive" fashion to Mr. Bush's initiative, Mr. Fitzwater said.

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#90334e0014 11/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (NOV. 30) EFE - The Spanish deputy who secured the release of Spanish hostages from Baghdad said Friday the United Nations Security Council resolution sanctioning the use of force against Iraq was unacceptable and announced that women in Madrid would march next week in protest.

"To use force seems to me unacceptable," said United Left deputy Cristina Almeida, who travelled to Iraq in October to ask Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for Spanish hostages to be freed.

Negotiations to end the crisis, which began in August when Iraq invaded neighboring Kuwait, should proceed with "much more calmness, and not with the rush which has prevented other forms of dialogue being examined," Almeida said.

Women will be demonstrating in Madrid against the latest U.N. resolution next Tuesday, and there are plans for a big peace protest in Spain, Almeida added.

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#90334e0017 11/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Jerusalem (NOV. 30) EFE - The number of Soviet Jews migrating to Israel was higher in November than in any previous month this year, a Jerusalem newspaper reported Friday.

One thousand Soviet Jews were due to arrive on Friday alone, bringing the number for the month to 30,000, according to figures published in the daily Jerusalem Post.

So many arrivals were expected that Transport Minister Moshe Katsav has given special permission for two planes expected from Budapest with 650 Soviets aboard to land on Friday evening after the start of the Jewish sabbath.

Israeli El-Al flights are prohibited from landing after sundown on Friday night except in cases where human life is at stake.

Some 1,700 Soviets arrived Thursday on 14 separate flights from Budapest, Warsaw and Bucharest, a record number of immigrants to arrive in one day, the Jerusalem Post said.

By the end of the year, 200,000 Soviet immigrants will have arrived in Israel,

with at least one million more arriving in the coming years, the daily Haaretz reported Friday.

"The state of Israel will increase from four million inhabitants to six million within a decade," Housing Minister Ariel Sharon said.

Israel's plans to settle many of the immigrants in the Occupied Territories has brought a storm of protest from Arab nations and has been opposed by Tel Aviv's main ally, the United States.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has threatened to cut back sharply the number of Soviet Jews allowed to leave for Israel if the policy is not abandoned.

Rabbi Isaac Perets, in charge of immigration, has claimed that up to 30 per cent of the Soviet immigrants are not Jews and are moving to Israel because it offers a better standard of living than the Soviet Union.

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#90334e0026 11/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) EFE - U.S. President George Bush Friday offered to send Secretary of State James Baker to talk with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, and also invited Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz to come to Washington for talks.

Bush said he was "not all that hopeful" that talks with Saddam would be successful but said he was "going the extra mile" to find a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

He said Baker would visit Iraq, if Saddam agrees, any time between December 15 and January 15.

On Thursday, the United Nations Security Council approved a resolution authorizing the possible use of force to expel Iraq from Kuwait if it does not pull out by January 15.

Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

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#90334e0034 11/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

GUATEMALA CITY (NOV 30) EFE - The Guatemalan Army deactivated a bomb in the Ministry of Urban and Rural Development in the capital Friday, officials said.

The government said it did not know the origin of the bomb and said no group had claimed responsibility.

The device, which the government said was capable of blowing up 100 square meters of real estate, took experts two hours to deactivate.

No injuries were reported.

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#90334e0036 11/30/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) EFE - U.S. President George Bush is to leave Washington this weekend for a one-week tour of five Latin American countries, during which he is expected to seek support for his idea of a free trade zone stretching the length of the American continent.

From December 2-8, he will spend one day in each country to visit his counterparts, starting on Sunday in Brazil and moving on to Uruguay, Argentina Chile, and Venezuela.

Officials predicted that talks will focus on trade, U.S. investment in Latin America, and the reduction of Latin American official debt, the three components of the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative which Bush hatched in June.

"This legislation is good for our neighbors, good for the hemisphere, and I think very good for the United States," Bush said, when he sent the proposal to Congress in September.

The plan involves a three-pronged U.S. approach to relations with Latin America which would involve the reduction of official debt owed by selected Latin American countries to the United States, the stimulation of private investment in the region, and steps to liberalize trade throughout the Western Hemisphere.

Chilean Finance Minister Alejandro Foxley hosted a meeting in Santiago Friday of Latin American finance, planning and economy ministers to hammer out a consensus response to the Bush initiative in advance of the arrival of the U.S. president.

In Brazil, Bush will meet Brazilian President Fernando Collor de Mello. Brazil's relations with Washington have improved since Collor became president in March and intiated a drastic series of economy measures aimed at stabilizing the country's shaky economy.

On Tuesday, the U.S. president will meet Uruguayan President Luis Alberto Lacalle in Montevideo, moving on to Buenos Aires where he will visit Argentine President Carlos Menem.

Argentina is hoping to come away from the meeting with a series of bilateral trade accords and agreements which would increase U.S. investment in the

country. The two leaders are also expected to sign guarantees for mutual legal assistance to combat the laundering of drug money in the United States.

For the government of Chilean President Patricio Aylwin, who is due to meet Bush on Thursday, the visit is a sign that Washington might at last lift sanctions imposed against Chile during the military regime of former dictator Gen. Augusto Pinochet.

Sanctions such as the Kennedy Amendment, which prohibits the sale of arms to Chile, are still in force ten months after Pinochet handed over power to Aylwin following democratic elections.

Chile is also hoping to be included in the Generalized System of Preferences which would give it the opportunity to export some products to the U.S. market free of tariffs.

Talks on Friday between the U.S. president and Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez in Caracas, are likely to focus bilateral trade and oil. Since oil-producing Iraq invaded Kuwait in August, sparking the Gulf crisis, Venezuela has become the second most important supplier of oil to the United States after Saudi Arabia.

Since the crisis, Venezuela has increased its oil production by 400,000 barrels per day to help the United States cope with the loss of the 800,000 daily barrels it formerly received from Iraq and Kuwait.

Bush and Perez are also to discuss U.S. investment of up to $8 billion to help Caracas increase its supplies to 3.6 million barrpened the way to a bilateral trade agreement between the United States and its closest Latin American neighbor.

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#90334h0037 11/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WARSAW (NOV. 30) XINHUA - CHAIRMAN OF THE SUPREME CHAMBER OF CONTROL OF POLAND TADEUSZ HUPALOWSKI SAID HERE THURSDAY THAT HARD LIQUOR SMUGGLING FROM ABROAD HAS COST THE COUNTRY A LOSS OF AT LEAST 1,700 BILLION ZLOTYS (ABOUT 170 MILLION DOLLARS) IN THE PAST ONE AND HALF YEARS.

SPEAKING AT A PARLIAMENT SESSION, THE CHAIRMAN SAID THAT IN THE PAST ONE AND HALF YEARS, IN THE HOME MARKET, THE ILLEGALLY IMPORTED HARD LIQUOR HAS FAR OUTNUMBERED THE LEGALLY IMPORTED LIQUOR WHICH CONSTITUTES 15-16 PERCENT.

THE POLES ARE HEAVY DRINKERS, NEXT ONLY TO THE RUSSIANS, IN EUROPE. DRUNKARDS ARE COMMONLY SEEN AT RAILWAY STATIONS, AIRPORTS AND ON THE STREETS IN THIS COUNTRY.

A DECREE ON LIMITING AND BANNING THE SALE OF HARD LIQUOR WAS ADOPTED AT THE

PARLIAMENT IN 1982.

HOWEVER, FOLLOWING AN AMENDMENT TO THE DECREE, MASSIVE SMUGGLING OF HARD LIQUOR APPEARED IN RECENT YEARS.

TO CRACK DOWN ON THE SMUGGLING, THE POLISH AUTHORITIES HAVE TAKEN A SERIES OF MEASURES RECENTLY, INCLUDING ARRESTS AND LAWSUITS.

SIX PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED IN SZCZECIN TODAY FOR SMUGGLING OVER 15,000 LITRES OF HARD LIQUOR FROM DENMARK, ACCORDING TO THE STATE NEWS AGENCY PAP.

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MEXICO (NOV. 29) XINHUA - CHINA AND MEXICO TODAY SIGNED A A SUMMARY OF TALKS PLEDGING COOPERATION IN FISHING INDUSTRY ON THE BASIS OF EQUITY AND MUTUAL BENEFIT.

MEXICO SHOWS INTEREST IN THE FIELDS OF FISH-CATCHING TECHNOLOGY, AQUATIC PRODUCT PROCESSING, AND AQUATICS BREEDING.

CHINA SAYS IT IS INTERESTED IN BOAT-BUILDING, TRADING OF FISH PRODUCTS AND CATCHING FISH IN ALIEN WATERS.

THE TALKS WERE HELD DURING A WEEK-LONG OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE COUNTRY BY THE CHINESE DELEGATION WHO ARRIVED HERE ON NOVEMBER 25.

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BEIJING (NOV. 30) XINHUA - MORE THAN A THIRD OF THE INCREASED FARM PRODUCTION OUTPUT IN NORTHWEST CHINA'S GANSU PROVINCE WAS REALIZED THROUGH THE INTRODUCTION OF MODERN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, THE "GUANGMING DAILY" REPORTED TODAY.

THE PAPER SAID THAT DURING THE SEVENTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN PERIOD, GANSU PROVINCE INVESTED MORE THAN 1.3 MILLION YUAN IN 36 BREEDING PROJECTS WHICH RESULTED IN THE PROMOTION OF 78 NEW CROP VARIETIES, INCLUDING WHEAT, CORN, RAPE SEED AND PEPPER.

WITH THE AID OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE, THE PROVINCE WAS ABLE TO IMPROVE ITS OUTPUT OF GRAIN AND OIL-BEARING CROPS BY MORE THAN 150 MILLION KG THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO THE PAPER.

IN THE MAJOR GRAIN PRODUCING COUNTIES, LOCAL AUTHORITIES HAVE INVESTED 2.7 MILLION YUAN TO IMPROVE SOIL FERTILITY AND THE CROPS' RESISTANCE TO PESTS. AS A RESULT, AN AVERAGE OF MORE THAN 15 TONS OF GRAIN WERE HARVESTED PER HECTARE ON 2,666 HECTARES OF FARMLAND, THE PAPER SAID.

SINCE 1987, THE PROVINCE HAS CONTRACTED OUT LARGE AREAS OF FARMLAND TO OVER 4,000 FARM TECHNICIANS. AS OF 1989, THE GRAIN OUTPUT ON 760,000 HECTARES OF THIS CONTRACTED FARMLAND INCREASED BY 300 MILLION KG.

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BEIJING (NOV. 30) XINHUA - SCIENTISTS FROM THE CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES HAVE DISCOVERED A NEW STRUCTURE OF DEOXYRIBONUCLEIC ACID (DNA).

DNA IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE STORAGE, DUPLICATION AND TRANSMISSION OF GENETIC INFORMATION IN LIVING THINGS. SCIENTISTS THE WORLD OVER ARE EXPLORING HOW THE DNA STRUCTURE IS FORMED.

RESEARCHERS FROM THE INSTITUTE OF CHEMISTRY OF THE ACADEMY REPORTED THEY HAVE SEEN A TRIPLE LINKED FORM OF DNA UNDER A SPECIAL MICROSCOPE THAT THEY THEMSELVES DEVELOPED.

ACCORDING TO SCIENTISTS, THE DISCOVERY IS SAID TO BE A BREAKTHROUGH IN THE UNDERSTANDING OF THE HELICAL STRUCTURE OF DNA.

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BEIJING (NOV. 30) XINHUA - CHINESE PREMIER LI PENG AND VISITING FORMER BRITISH PRIME MINISTER EDWARD HEATH CONVERSED FOR ONE HOUR ON CHINESE ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND ON A NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL ISSUES HERE TODAY.

DESCRIBING HEATH AN OLD FRIEND OF CHINA, LI PRAISED HIM FOR HIS EFFORTS IN PROMOTING SINO-BRITISH RELATIONS AND ASKED HIM TO CONTINUE TO DO SO.

LI ALSO BRIEFED THE VISITOR ON THE POLICIES AND MEASURES CHINA HAS TAKEN TO CURB INFLATION, STIMULATE PRODUCTION, ENLIVEN THE MARKET, PROVIDE MORE JOBS AND EXPAND ECONOMIC COOPERATION WITH OTHER COUNTRIES.

PRESENT AT THE MEETING WAS HAN NIANLONG, PRESIDENT OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WHICH HAS INVITED HEATH TO CHINA.

HEATH, WHO IS ON HIS 14TH VISIT TO CHINA, ARRIVED THREE DAYS AGO AND IS SCHEDULED TO TOUR SHANGHAI.

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#90334h0075 11/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (NOV. 30) XINHUA - A NEW ATLAS, WITH ITS DATA STORED IN MICROCOMPUTERS, PASSED APPRAISAL BY EXPERTS TODAY. IT MAKES CHINA ONE OF THE FEW COUNTRIES TO HAVE SUCH AN ATLAS.

ACCORDING TO THE EXPERTS FROM THE CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, THE ATLAS CONTAINS DETAILED INFORMATION ON THE ECOLOGICAL CONDITIONS IN BEIJING, TIANJIN AND THE TANGSHAN AREA, A MAJOR INDUSTRIAL ZONE IN THE NORTH. THE ATLAS HAS DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT THESE AREAS' TERRAIN, WATER RESOURCES, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS STORED ON DISCS.

EXPERTS SAID THAT ONLY THE UNITED STATES, CANADA AND THE NETHERLANDS HAVE DEVELOPED SIMILAR SYSTEMS.

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#90334h0077 11/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (NOV. 30) XINHUA - SOUTH AFRICA HAS DRAWN MORE IMMIGRANTS THIS YEAR THAN ANY OTHER YEAR SINCE 1984.

ACCORDING TO "THE STAR" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA TODAY, SOUTH AFRICA'S DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY OVER 8,000 HAVE EMIGRATED TO SOUTH AFRICA THIS YEAR, MOST OF WHOM CAME FROM BRITAIN, ZIMBABWE, PORTUGAL, TAIWAN, ISRAEL, THE UNITED STATES AND AUSTRALIA.

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#90334h0086 11/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (NOV. 30) XINHUA - PRESIDENT DANIEL ARAP MOI TODAY OFFICIALLY OPENED KENYA'S FIRST EXPORT PROCESSING ZONE IN THE SAMEER INDUSTRIAL PARK NEAR NAIROBI.

ADDRESSING THE OPENING CEREMONY THIS MORNING, THE PRESIDENT SAID THAT THE EVENT MARKS THE BEGINNING OF A NEW ERA IN KENYA'S DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY.

THE STRATEGY REFERS TO THE EFFORTS MADE BY THE KENYAN GOVERNMENT TO TRANSFORM ITS ECONOMY IN ORDER TO MEET THE CHAL- LENGES OF THE NINETIES AND BEYOND IN A MORE EFFECTIVE MANNER.

PRESIDENT MOI SAID THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HAS INSTITUTED A SERIES OF MEASURES AIMED AT REDUCING HEAVY DEPENDENCE ON EXPORTS OF PRIMARY AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE AND PLACE MORE EMPHASIS ON EXPORT OF MANUFACTURED GOODS.

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE EXPORT PROCESSING ZONE IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF AN EXPORT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM WHICH STARTED ITS IMPLEM- ENTATION RECENTLY, HE SAID.

UNDER THE PROGRAM, THE PRESIDENT SAID, INVESTORS WILL BE ABLE TO ENJOY VARIOUS PRIVILEGES INCLUDING COMPLETE EXEMPTION FROM EXCHANGE CONTROL FOR THE REPATRIATION OF CAPITAL, PROFITS AND DIVIDENTS.

THEY WILL BE ALOWED TO OPERATE FOREIGN CURRENCY ACCOUNTS THROUGH LOCAL

COMMERCIAL BANKS AND ENJOY A TAX HOLIDAY DURING THE FIRST TEN YEARS FOLLOWED BY A REDUCED TAX RATE OF 28 PERCENT FOR THE NEXT TEN YEARS, HE ADDED.

THE SAMEER INDUSTRIAL PARK OWNED BY FIRESTONE EAST AFRICA LIMITED IS A PART OF A MASSIVE PROJECT WHICH WILL OCCUPY 40 ACRES OF LAND AND PROVIDE 50 FACTORY UNITS WHEN IT IS COMPLETED IN FOUR PHASES.

THE KENYAN GOVERNMENT IS PLANNING TO SET UP EXPORT PROCESSING ZONES IN THE CAPITAL CITY OF NAIROBI AND PORT CITY OF MOMBASA.

-30- 1775

#90334h0089 11/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (NOV. 30) XINHUA - THE ISRAELI ARMY HAS ORDERED FOUR PALESTINIAN UNIVERSITIES CLOSED FOR AN ADDITIONAL THREE MONTHS, REPORTS FROM JERUSALEM SAID TODAY.

THE REPORTS QUOTED A UNIVERSITY SOURCE AS SAYING THAT NOTIFICATION OF THE CLOSURE EXTENSIONS WERE RECEIVED THURSDAY.

THE MOVE WOULD KEEP AT LEAST 12,000 STUDENTS OUT OF SCHOOL IN THE OCCUPIED WEST BANK AND GAZA STRIP.

THE ARMY ORDERED ALL SIX PALESTINIAN UNIVERSITIES CLOSED SHORTLY AFTER THE START OF THE PALESTINIAN UPRISING AGAINST ISRAELI OCCUPATION IN DECEMBER 1987. IT SAID THE CAMPUSES WERE HOTBEDS OF ANTI-ISRAELI VIOLENCE.

THE ARMY PERMITTED BETHLEHEM UNIVERSITY TO REOPEN ITS CAMPUS IN OCTOBER, SAYING "GOOD BEHAVIOR" AT BETHLEHEM WOULD LEAD TO THE REOPENING OF OTHER SCHOOLS.

SEVERAL WEEKS LATER, AL-QUDS UNIVERSITY IN JERUSALEM GOT THE PERMISSION TO REOPEN ITS TWO SMALL CAMPUSES.

NO MAJOR INCIDENTS HAVE BEEN REPORTED AT BETHLEHEM SINCE OCTOBER, AND PROFESSORS AT OTHER UNIVERSITIES HAD HOPED THIS SIGNALED THE ARMY'S CLOSURE ORDERS WOULD BE LIFTED FROM THE FOUR REMAINING UNIVERSITIES: HEBRON, BIR ZEIT AN NAJAH IN NABLUS AND ISLAMIC IN GAZA CITY.

THE NOTIFICATION OF THE CLOSURE EXTENSIONS DASHED HOPES THAT CLASSES WOULD RESUME FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THREE YEARS.

SAED ERAKAT, A LECTURER IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AT AN NAJAH, SAID, "THE CLOSURE IS PART OF THE ISRAELI WAR AGAINST THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE IN CULTURE, ECONOMICS AND POLITICS."

THE ARMY CLOSURES OF SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES IN THE WEST BANK AND GAZA HAVE BEEN ROUNDLY CRITICIZED BY INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AS COLLECTIVE

PUNISHMENT.

-30- 1842
#90334h0113 11/30/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
OTTAWA (NOV. 30) XINHUA - FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY, THE AVERAGE CANADIAN FAMILY LAST YEAR EARNED MORE THAN 50,000 CANADIAN DOLLARS (43,000 U.S. DOLLARS), STATISTICS CANADA REPORTED LATELY.

AFTER INFLATION, AVERAGE FAMILY INCOME IN 1989 WAS 50,083 CANADIAN DOLLARS (43,071 U.S. DOLLARS), UP 3.3 PERCENT OVER 1988, THE GOVERNMENT AGENCY SAID IN A REPORT RELEASED THURSDAY.

REAL FAMILY INCOMES ACROSS CANADA, AFTER ACCOUNTING FOR INFLATION, HAVE INCREASED MORE THAN 11 PERCENT SINCE 1984, WHEN INCOMES STARTED TO REBOUND AFTER FALLING DURING A RECESSION IN THE COUNTRY IN THE EARLY 1980S.

IN 1989, FAMILIES IN THE MOST POPULOUS PROVINCE OF ONTARIO, WHICH IS CANADA'S INDUSTRIAL HEARTLAND, HAD THE HIGHEST AVERAGE FAMILY INCOME AT 57,330 CANADIAN DOLLARS (49,304 U.S. DOLLARS), ACCORDING TO STATISTICS CANADA.

FAMILIES IN THE EASTERN PROVINCE OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND REPORTED AVERAGE INCOMES OF 38,726 CANADIAN DOLLARS (33,304 U.S. DOLLARS), THE LOWEST IN CANADA. THE ISLAND'S MAJOR INDUSTRIES ARE TOURISM AND PRIMARY-RESOURCE-RELATED MANUFACTURING.

STATISTICS CANADA ALSO REPORTED THAT FEWER CANADIAN FAMILIES WERE LIVING BELOW THE LOW-INCOME CUTOFF, OR POVERTY LINE. IN 1989, 12.2 PERCENT OF CANADIAN FAMILIES WERE CONSIDERED LOW-INCOME, COMPARED WITH 13.1 PERCENT IN 1988.

IN A MAJOR CANADIAN CITY, ANY INDIVIDUAL EARNING A GROSS ANNUAL INCOME OF LESS THAN 12,148 CANADIAN DOLLARS (10,447 U.S. DOLLARS) WOULD BE CONSIDERED LOW-INCOME. THAT WOULD RISE TO 16,027 CANADIAN DOLLARS (13,783 U.S. DOLLARS) FOR A TWO-PERSON FAMILY AND TO 24,706 CANADIAN DOLLARS (21,247 U.S. DOLLARS) FOR A FOUR-MEMBER HOUSEHOLD.

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#90334k0014 11/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (NOV. 30) KYODO - CHRYSLER JAPAN SALES LTD., THE JAPANESE AGENT OF THE U.S. CARMAKER CHRYSLER CORP. WILL OPEN AN AUTOMOBILE PARTS CENTER ON DECEMBER 3 IN SAITAMA PREFECTURE NEAR TOKYO, OFFICIALS SAID FRIDAY.

THE MOVE IS TO PROVIDE BETTER CUSTOMER SERVICE AHEAD OF THE INTRODUCTION IN DECEMBER OF CHRYSLER'S JEEPS. HONDA MOTOR CO. IS PLANNING TO SELL TWO MODELS, WRANGLER AND CHEROKEE.

A TOTAL OF 100 MILLION YEN WAS SPENT ON CONSTRUCTING THE NEW CENTER. WITH A

FLOOR SPACE OF 1,452 SQUARE METERS, IT HAS FIVE TIMES MORE STORAGE CAPACITY THAN THE CURRENT CENTER IN YOKOHAMA.

A COMPUTER CONTROL SYSTEM WILL BE USED ENABLING DIRECT ORDERS TO BE MADE TO THE U.S. PARENT COMPANY.

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#90334k0023 11/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 30) KYODO - JAPAN'S STEEL EXPORTS IN OCTOBER FELL 1.2 PERCENT FROM THE YEAR BEFORE TO 1,543,000 TONS, THE JAPAN IRON AND STEEL FEDERATION SAID FRIDAY.

EXPORTS TO THE SOVIET UNION PLUNGED 84.0 PERCENT TO 12,000 TONS, WHILE THOSE TO CHINA DROPPED 45.3 PERCENT TO 153,000 TONS, THE INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION SAID.

A SLOWDOWN WAS ALSO SEEN IN EXPORTS TO TAIWAN WHERE THE DROP WAS 19.5 PERCENT TO 124,000 TONS AND TO THE UNITED STATES WHERE IT FELL 3.1 PERCENT TO 264,000 TONS.

THE EXPORT TOTAL WAS KEPT FROM SHRINKING DRASTICALLY BY A 22.1 PERCENT RISE IN EXPORTS TO SOUTH KOREA TO 166,000 TONS.

IMPORTS OF ORDINARY ROLLED STEEL IN OCTOBER FELL 45.1 PERCENT TO 473,000 TONS, MARKING THE FIFTH CONSECUTIVE MONTH OF DOUBLE-DIGIT DECLINES.

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#90334k0025 11/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 30) KYODO - JAPAN'S HOUSING STARTS ROSE 0.7 PERCENT IN OCTOBER FROM A YEAR EARLIER AS MANY CONDOMINIUM BUILDERS RUSHED TO COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION BEFORE THE SLUMP IN THE SECTOR INTENSIFIES, THE CONSTRUCTION MINISTRY SAID FRIDAY.

THE MODEST RISE IN NEW HOUSING STARTS, THE SECOND STRAIGHT YEARLY GROWTH, PUT THE TOTAL AT 151,938, MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

UNTIL AUGUST, THE HOUSING STARTS POSTED YEAR-ON-YEAR DECLINES FOR FIVE MONTHS IN A ROW.

STARTS ON CONDOMINIUMS JUMPED 19.7 PERCENT IN OCTOBER TO 34,337, WHILE CONSTRUCTION OF PRIVATE HOUSING EDGED DOWN 3.7 PERCENT TO 40,879.

STARTS ON RENTAL HOUSING ALSO FELL 4.1 PERCENT IN THE MONTH FROM A YEAR BEFORE TO 73,540, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90334k0032 11/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SINGAPORE (NOV. 30) KYODO - A NIGERIAN HAS BEEN CAUGHT FOR ALLEGEDLY TRYING TO SMUGGLE HEROIN INTO SINGAPORE, AN OFFENSE PUNISHABLE BY DEATH, A CENTRAL NARCOTICS BUREAU OFFICIAL SAID FRIDAY.

THE OFFICIAL SAID EMMANUEL ANYANWU, 34, WHO ENTERED THE ISLAND REPUBLIC BY TRAIN FROM THE MALAYSIAN CAPITAL OF KUALA LUMPUR WAS FOUND CARRYING 2.8 KILOGRAMS OF HEROIN WHEN CAUGHT BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS AT THE RAILWAY STATION IN SINGAPORE ON THURSDAY.

CUSTOMS OFFICIALS WHO SEARCHED HIM AFTER WATCHING HIM BEHAVING SUSPICIOUSLY FOUND THE DRUGS HIDDEN IN TWO RICE COOKERS HE WAS CARRYING.

UNDER SINGAPORE'S DRUG LAWS, ANYONE CARRYING 15 GRAMS OR MORE OF HEROIN IS LIABLE TO BE PUNISHED BY DEATH.

THE CENTRAL NARCOTICS BUREAU SPOKESMAN SAID 28 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN HANGED FOR DRUG TRAFFICKING IN SINGAPORE SO FAR. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME AN AFRICAN HAS BEEN CAUGHT FOR ALLEGEDLY TRYING TO SMUGGLE DRUGS INTO SINGAPORE.

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#90334k0035 11/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (NOV. 30) KYODO - HOTEL PLAZA, A JAPANESE HOTEL BASED IN OSAKA, HAS ACQUIRED THE PRESTIGIOUS RESTAURANT ''L'OASIS'' IN SOUTHERN FRANCE FOR 850 MILLION YEN, OFFICIALS SAID FRIDAY. ''L'OASIS'' SITUATED IN THE SEASIDE TOWN OF LA NAPOULE, NEAR CANNES, HAD BEEN CLOSED FOR TWO YEARS AFTER THE RETIREMENT OF ITS OWNER.

HOTEL PLAZA OFFICIALS SAID THEY PLAN TO MANAGE THE RESTAURANT IN THE SAME WAY AS BEFORE THROUGH A 100 PERCENT OWNED SUBSIDIARY IN FRANCE. THEY SAID THEY HOPE TO MAKE IT A BASE FOR GATHERING INFORMATION IN EUROPE AND THAT THEY WILL SEND THEIR OWN HOTEL CHEFS THERE FOR TRAINING.

THE RESTAURANT HAS A FLOOR SPACE OF 630 SQUARE METRES AND CAN SEAT 110 GUESTS. A SALES TARGET OF 9.1 MILLION FRANCS IS SET FOR THE INITIAL YEAR, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90334k0036 11/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 30) KYODO - JAPAN'S MAJOR OIL FIRMS ARE LIKELY TO LOWER THEIR WHOLESALE PRICES FOR PETROLEUM PRODUCTS SUCH AS GASOLINE AND KEROSENE BY ABOUT 3 YEN PER LITER EFFECTIVE FROM MID-DECEMBER, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID FRIDAY.

THE MINOR PRICE CUTS BY THE JAPANESE OIL COMPANIES ARE A RESULT OF A FALL OF MORE THAN 3 DOLLARS PER BARREL IN THE AVERAGE SPOT PRICE OF THE BENCHMARK DUBAI CRUDE IN NOVEMBER FROM THE PRECEDING MONTH, THE SOURCES SAID.

THE REDUCTION MARKS THE FIRST ACROSS-THE-BOARD DOWNWARD PRICE ADJUSTMENT BY THE JAPANESE OIL REFINER-DISTRIBUTORS SINCE THE OUTBREAK OF THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS AFTER IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT IN EARLY AUGUST.

THE SOURCES SAID THE AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY INTENDS TO ASK THE OIL COMPANIES EARLY NEXT MONTH TO CUT THEIR WHOLESALE PRICES AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE AFTER COMPLETING HEARINGS ON THE CURRENT FLUCTUATIONS IN THEIR PRODUCT COSTS.

JAPANESE OIL CONCERNS RAISED THEIR WHOLESALE PRICES FOR TWO STRAIGHT MONTHS IN SEPTEMBER BY A MARGIN OF 8 YEN AND IN OCTOBER BY ABOUT 4 YEN PER LITER IN RESPONSE TO SOARING WORLD CRUDE OIL PRICES.

IN NOVEMBER, TWO OUT OF THE 10 MAJOR OIL COMPANIES ANNOUNCED A PALTRY 0.50-0.60 YEN PER-LITER REDUCTION IN THEIR WHOLESALE PRICES, BUT THREE OTHER OIL FIRMS HIKED THE PRICES OF THEIR PETROLEUM PRODUCTS. THE REMAINING FIVE OIL CONCERNS KEPT THEIR WHOLESALE PRICES UNCHANGED IN NOVEMBER.

-30- 1564

#90334k0065 11/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 30) KYODO - THE TOYOTA MOTOR GROUP OF COMPANIES HAS BEGUN BORROWING MONEY FROM JAPANESE BANKS TO FINANCE NEW INVESTMENT IN PLANTS AND EQUIPMENT, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID FRIDAY.

THE SOURCES ADDED THAT THE TOYOTA GROUP HAD TO TURN TO BANKS TO FUND NEW INVESTMENTS DUE TO DIFFICULTIES IN RAISING ADEQUATE EQUITY FINANCING IN THE STOCK MARKET.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN 10 YEARS FOR THESE COMPANIES TO APPROACH BANKS FOR FINANCING, AND THE GROUP WILL HAVE TO RELY ON PROFITABLE BUSINESS RESULTS TO OFFSET THE HIGHER INTEREST RATES CONNECTED WITH THEIR DEBT, THEY SAID.

TOYODA MACHINE WORKS, A TOYOTA PARTS MAKER, HAS TAKEN ON 4 BILLION YEN IN DEBT FROM JAPANESE BANKS THIS FISCAL YEAR, AND AISAN INDUSTRY, A CARBURETOR AND ENGINE VALVE SUPPLIER, HAS DECIDED TO BORROW 4 BILLION YEN.

TOYODA AUTOMATIC LOOM WORKS, ANOTHER TOYOTA GROUP FIRM IN NOVEMBER ISSUED PRIVATELY PLACED BONDS TO GUARANTEE A LOAN OF 4 BILLION YEN FROM A BANK.

THE TOYOTA GROUP OF COMPANIES IS PLANNING 600 BILLION YEN IN SPENDING TO COVER NEW MODEL CHANGES AND INCREASED PRODUCTION OF PARTS IN THE FUTURE, ALTHOUGH SOME COMPANIES ARE WORRIED ABOUT HAVING TO PAY HIGHER INTEREST RATES ON LOANS, THE SOURCES SAID.

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#90334k0073 11/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 30) KYODO - NIPPON MINING CO. AND SUMITOMO CORP. SAID FRIDAY THEY HAVE SIGNED A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH TWO CANADIAN FIRMS TO FINANCE DEVELOPMENT OF AN OLD COPPER MINE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA.

NIPPON MINING AND SUMITOMO WILL INVEST 7 MILLION CANADIAN DOLLARS IN THE GOLDSTREAM MINE, WHICH IS OWNED JOINTLY BY VANCOUVER-BASED BETHLEHEM RESOURCES CORP. AND GOLDNEV RESOURCES INC., TO RESTART MINING OPERATIONS THERE, OFFICIALS AT THE JAPANESE NONFERROUS METAL MINING FIRM SAID.

THE TWO CANADIAN COMPANIES STOPPED MINING OPERATIONS AT THE MINE IN 1984, WHICH IS LOCATED 440 KILOMETERS NORTHEAST OF VANCOUVER.

THE DEAL ALSO CALLS FOR THE TWO JAPANESE COMPANIES TO PURCHASE ALL COPPER ORES FROM THE MINE FOR SIX YEARS, THEY SAID.

NIPPON MINING WILL PUT UP 75 PERCENT OF THE FUNDING, WHILE SUMITOMO WILL PROVIDE THE REMAINDER, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE TWO COMPANIES EXPECT WORK TO BEGIN ON THE MINE THREE TO FOUR MONTHS AFTER FINANCING BEGINS. THEY ARE PLANNING TO EXTRACT ABOUT 65,000 TONS OF COPPER ORE AND 7,000 TONS OF ZINC ORES PER YEAR, THEY SAID.

-30- 1254

#90334k0078 11/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (NOV. 30) KYODO - A BAND OF 50 UNIDENTIFIED PIRATES KILLED ALL OF THEIR FOUR HOSTAGES IN THE REMOTE SOUTHERN PHILIPPINE ISLAND OF MALIGUIN, MILITARY AUTHORITIES SAID FRIDAY.

REPORTS FROM THE MILITARY'S WESTERN COMMAND SAID THE HEAVILY ARMED PIRATES SWOOPED DOWN ON THE ISLAND, ABOUT 500 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF MANILA AND NEAR PALAWAN ISLAND, ON THURSDAY AND SEIZED THE FOUR HOSTAGES WHOSE IDENTITIES WERE STILL NOT KNOWN.

ONE OF THE FOUR WAS IMMEDIATELY KILLED, THE REPORT SAID. PETTY OFFICER RAMON SAN FELIPE SAID IN A REPORT FRIDAY THE REMAINING THREE HOSTAGES HAVE ALREADY BEEN KILLED.

MILITARY OFFICIALS IN THE AREA HAVE REQUESTED THE GENERAL HEADQUARTERS SEND HELICOPTERS IN PREPARATION FOR THE LAUNCHING OF ASSAULT OPERATIONS AGAINST THE PIRATES.

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#90334k0080 11/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (NOV. 30) KYODO - YE DATA, A COMPUTER PERIPHERAL EQUIPMENT MAKER, SAID ON FRIDAY IT WILL SET UP A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY IN SCOTLAND TO MAKE AND

SELL FLOPPY DISK DRIVES.

THE NEW COMPANY, YE DATA (UK) LTD., CAPITALIZED AT 1.5 MILLION POUNDS, WILL START PRODUCTION IN MAY 1991, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

YE DATA'S FIRST OVERSEAS SUBSIDIARY IS LOCATED IN CUMBERNAULD NEAR GLASGOW.

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#90334k0082 11/30/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

BANGKOK (NOV. 30) KYODO - CHINA AND THAILAND AGREED ON FRIDAY TO SET UP AN AD HOC COMMITTEE TO CARRY OUT FEASIBILITY STUDIES ON THE POSSIBLE PARTICIPATION OF CHINA IN THE UNITED NATIONS-SPONSORED MEKONG RIVER DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, THAI DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER AMNUAY YODSOOK SAID.

THE DECISION TO SET UP THE COMMITTEE WAS REACHED AT THE 6TH MEETING OF THE THAILAND-CHINA JOINT COMMISSION ON ECONOMIC AND TRADE COOPERATION, THE DEPUTY MINISTER SAID.

THE MEKONG RIVER PROJECT, OFFICIALLY CALLED THE LOWER MEKONG BASIN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, WAS CONCEIVED IN THE 1960S AND OFFICIALLY SPONSORED BY THE U.N. DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (UNDP). BUT POLITICAL DIFFERENCES AMONG THE PROJECT MEMBERS, THAILAND, LAOS, CAMBODIA, AND VIETNAM, BROUGHT PROGRESS ON THE PROJECT TO A HALT.

THE PROJECT WAS RECENTLY REACTIVATED BECAUSE OF PROSPECTS OF A COMPREHENSIVE POLITICAL SOLUTION TO THE CAMBODIA PROBLEM IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

THAI FOREIGN MINISTER SUBIN PINKHAYAN RECENTLY INVITED CHINA TO CONSIDER PARTICIPATION IN THE PROJECT SINCE THE MEKONG RIVER ORGINATES IN SOUTHERN CHINA, WHERE IT IS KNOWN AS THE LANCANG RIVER.

AT THE THAILAND-CHINA JOINT COMMISSION MEETING, THE TWO SIDES ALSO AGREED TO SET THE TWO-WAY TRADE VOLUME TARGET FOR 1991 AT 6 BILLION BAHT (240 MILLION DOLLARS), OR 25 PERCENT HIGHER THAN THE TARGET FOR THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO THE DEPUTY MINISTER.

THAILAND'S MAJOR EXPORTS TO CHINA INCLUDE RICE, RAW SUGAR, RUBBER, SYNTHETIC PRODUCTS, AND LEATHER, WHILE CHINESE EXPORTS TO THAILAND ARE MAINLY OIL, CEMENT, COAL, COTTON, PARAFFIN, AND MEDICINES.

THE COMMISSION ALSO AGREED ON A NUMBER OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE EXCHANGE PROGRAMS, HE SAID.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT REACHED FRIDAY, THAILAND WOULD PROVIDE CHINA WITH EXPERTISE ON THE ANIMAL FEED INDUSTRY, SHRIMP FARMING, THE LIGHT ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY, AND TOURISM, WHILE CHINA WOULD SEND ITS EXPERTS ON TUNNEL CONSTRUCTION, SILKWORM RAISING, AND A NUMBER OF OTHER AGRICULTURAL SPECIALTIES

TO THAILAND, HE SAID.

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TOKYO (NOV. 30) KYODO - STRONG WINDS AND HEAVY RAIN FROM AN UNSEASONAL TYPHOON DISRUPTED AIR AND RAIL TRAFFIC THROUGHOUT CENTRAL JAPAN ON FRIDAY BEFORE FADING IN STRENGTH AND LIMPING OFF TO THE SEA OF JAPAN, THE METEOROLOGICAL AGENCY SAID.

THE UNSEASONABLY LATE TYPHOON NO. 28 LANDED EARLIER FRIDAY AFTERNOON ON THE KII PENINSULA IN WESTERN JAPAN AND MARCHED ACROSS THE MAIN ISLAND OF HONSHU, BEFORE BEING DOWNGRADED TO AN EXTRA TROPICAL LOW PRESSURE SYSTEM BY THE AGENCY.

THE RECORD SIXTH TYPHOON TO HIT JAPAN THIS YEAR IS ALSO SEASONALLY THE LATEST TO ARRIVE IN POSTWAR HISTORY. IN 1948, TYPHOON AGNES, THE 34TH OF THE SEASON, HIT THE KII PENINSULA ON NOVEMBER 19.

STIFF WINDS FRIDAY FROM THE TYPHOON, MEASURING 20 METERS PER SECOND, FORCED SHINKANSEN EXPRESS TRAINS TO REDUCE SPEEDS ALONG A 170-KILOMETER RUN BETWEEN MISHIMA, SHIZUOKA PREFECTURE, AND MIKAWAANJO, AICHI PREFECTURE.

JAPAN RAILWAY TOKAI OFFICIALS SAID THE DISRUPTIONS TO THEIR TRAIN SCHEDULES WERE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE THROUGHOUT THE DAY.

MEANWHILE, 169 FLIGHTS INTO AND OUT OF CENTRAL JAPANESE AIRPORTS WERE CANCELED BECAUSE OF THE TYPHOON, STRANDING SOME 11,000 DOMESTIC TRAVELERS.

IN WAKAYAMA, WHERE THE TYPHOON LANDED AROUND 2 P.M., SOME ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS CANCELED CLASSES SHORTLY PAST NOON WHILE SHOPPING DISTRICTS, DECORATED FOR THE HOLIDAYS, WERE LARGELY DESERTED.

LOCAL MANDARIN ORANGE FARMERS, HARVESTING THE CROP FOR THE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS, WERE FORCED OUT OF THEIR ORCHARDS, SAYING THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME THE HARVEST WAS HALTED BY A TYPHOON.

THE METEOROLOGICAL AGENCY WARNED OF HEAVY RAINS IN WIDE AREAS ACROSS THE NATION. THE TYPHOON BROUGHT RAINFALL EXCEEDING 450 MILLIMETERS IN WESTERN AND CENTRAL JAPAN.

THE TYPHOON, WITH A CENTRAL BAROMETRIC READING OF 975 MILLIBARS, MOVED AT A SPEED OF 40 KILOMETERS PER HOUR WITH A WIND VELOCITY OF UP TO 30 METERS PER SECOND ACROSS HONSHU AND WAS EXPECTED TO CROSS INTO THE SEA OF JAPAN NEAR AKITA AROUND 3 A.M. SATURDAY, THE AGENCY SAID.

DURING THE HEIGHT OF THE STORM, WINDS WERE RAGING AT OVER 25 METERS PER SECOND WITHIN A RADIUS OF 80 KILOMETERS OF THE TYPHOON CENTER AND AT OVER 15 METERS PER SECOND WITHIN A RADIUS OF 800 KILOMETERS OF THE CENTER, THE AGENCY SAID.

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TOKYO (NOV. 30) KYODO - JAPAN AND NEW ZEALAND AGREED FRIDAY ON OPENING A NEW AIR ROUTE BETWEEN NAGOYA AND AUCKLAND WITH THREE FLIGHTS A WEEK, TO BE RUN JOINTLY BY JAPAN AIRLINES AND AIR NEW ZEALAND, THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY SAID.

THE NEW ROUTE, AGREED UPON AT BILATERAL AVIATION TALKS HELD IN TOKYO, WILL BE THE FIRST BETWEEN A JAPANESE AIRPORT OTHER THAN NARITA AND NEW ZEALAND, THEY SAID.

THE TWO AIRLINES WILL LAUNCH THE NEW SERVICE NEXT APRIL, WITH AIR NEW ZEALAND SUPPLYING AIRCRAFT AND CREW, THEY ADDED.

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TOKYO (NOV. 30) KYODO - JAPAN'S COPYRIGHT COUNCIL ON FRIDAY MADE A PROPOSAL CALLING FOR FOREIGN RECORD MAKERS AND PERFORMERS TO BE GIVEN THE SAME PROTECTION AS ACCORDED TO JAPANESE, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE COUNCIL, A GOVERNMENT ADVISORY BODY, SUGGESTED THAT THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS AGENCY SUBMIT TO THE DIET A BILL TO REVISE THE COPYRIGHT LAW ALONG ACCORDINGLY TO MEET FOREIGN CRITICISMS ABOUT DISCRIMINATION IN THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF JAPANESE AND FOREIGN PHONOGRAPH RECORDS, COMPACT DISKS, AND TAPES, AGENCY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE AGENCY WILL PRESENT THE AMENDMENT TO THE DIET AT ITS NEXT ORDINARY SESSION THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE COUNCIL'S PROPOSAL CALLS FOR A BAN ON THE REPRODUCTION WITHOUT PERMISSION OF IMPORTED RECORDS, COMPACT DISKS, AND TAPES PRODUCED ABROAD BEFORE 1978, WHEN JAPAN BECAME A PARTY TO AN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE PROTECTION OF RECORDS.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT ALSO PROVIDES FOR FOREIGN RECORD MAKERS AND PERFORMERS TO BE GUARANTEED THE LEGAL RIGHT TO ALLOW RENTAL RECORD SHOPS IN JAPAN TO RENT THEIR PRODUCTS TO THE PUBLIC, AND TO REQUIRE PAYMENT.

THE PROPOSAL ALSO CALLS FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE COPYRIGHT PROTECTION PERIOD TO 50 YEARS FROM THE PRESENT 30.

UNDER THE REVISED LAW, CONVICTION FOR A VIOLATION WOULD RESULT IN POSSIBLE IMPRISONMENT FOR UP TO ONE YEAR OR A FINE OF UP TO 300,000 YEN, THE SAME PENALTY AS FOR JAPANESE-MADE RECORDS.

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TOKYO (NOV. 30) KYODO - DITUKA (HK) LTD. HAS AGREED TO BUY 33.4 PERCENT OF THE OUTSTANDING SHARES IN HONSHU PAPER CO. FROM CERTAIN SHAREHOLDERS, MAKING IT THE LARGEST SHAREHOLDER IN THE MAJOR JAPANESE PAPER-PULP MANUFACTURER, IT WAS ANNOUNCED FRIDAY.

THE AGREEMENT, ANNOUNCED BY A LAW FIRM FOR THE HONG KONG-BASED INVESTMENT COMPANY, ALLOWS DITUKA TO PURCHASE THE SHARES BETWEEN DECEMBER 1 AND FEBRUARY 28 FROM THE UNDISCLOSED SHAREHOLDERS AT A YET-TO-BE FIXED PRICE PER SHARE.

DITUKA, IN A STATEMENT RELEASED THROUGH THE LAW FIRM, SAID THE TRANSACTION IS AIMED AT ESTABLISHING A ''LONG-TERM RELATIONSHIP'' WITH HONSHU PAPER.

A SPOKESMAN FOR HONSHU PAPER SAID HE DID NOT KNOW OF THE STOCK PURCHASE AGREEMENT, BUT THAT HIS COMPANY WILL TAKE ACTION IF THE ANNOUNCEMENT PROVES TRUE.

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TOKYO (DEC. 1) KYODO - JAPAN ANNOUNCED SATURDAY IT WILL DELETE APRIL 1 NEXT YEAR A PROVISION IN JAPANESE PASSPORTS WHICH VIRTUALLY BAN ITS CITIZENS FROM TRAVEL TO NORTH KOREA.

THE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCEMENT IN SATURDAY'S OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT GAZETTE FOLLOWED A JOINT DECLARATION ISSUED LATE SEPTEMBER BY JAPAN'S RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY, THE NO. 1 OPPOSITION JAPAN SOCIALIST PARTY, AND THE KOREAN WORKERS' PARTY WHICH GOVERNS NORTH KOREA.

THE DECLARATION URGED THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT TO REMOVE "ENTRIES MADE IN JAPANESE PASSPORTS WITH REGARD TO THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA (NORTH KOREA)."

THE JAPANESE AND NORTH KOREAN GOVERNMENTS INITIATED PRELIMINARY TALKS AIMED AT NORMALIZING BILATERAL RELATIONS IN EARLY NOVEMBER IN ACCORD WITH PLEDGES IN THE DECLARATION.

UNDER THE CURRENT PASSPORT LAW, JAPANESE CITIZENS MUST GET SPECIAL PERMISSION FROM THE FOREIGN MINISTRY WHEN VISITING NORTH KOREA, THE ONLY COUNTRY TO WHICH SUCH A BAN APPLIES.

THE MINISTRY WILL ADOPT SIMPLIFIED LEGAL PROCEDURES BETWEEN JANUARY 1 AND MARCH 31 NEXT YEAR FOR THE ISSUE OF SUCH TRAVEL PERMITS PRIOR TO REMOVAL OF THE PROVISION, OFFICIALS SAID.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (NOV. 30) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT says its index of leading indicators was down 1.2% in October. Analysts say the third consecutive monthly decline signals impeding recession.

The Nikkei loses another 258 points. ... British shares are up modestly, with the FTSE gaining 8 by early afternoon. ... U.S. stocks in London are lower, led down by IBM and GM. ... The long bond yields 8.47% and the dollar is mixed overnight. ... North Sea crude is 45 cents cheaper at $31.95.

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that personal income was up 0.1% in October overall, but down 0.5% after inflation and after being adjusted for taxes. Personal spending was flat. ... COCA-COLA and NESTLE S.A. are linking up to bring coffee or tea in a can to vending machines and supermarkets worldwide. ... GENERAL MOTORS is slashing production in reaction to sliding sales.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

TREASURY SECRETARY NICHOLAS BRADY addresses the SECURITIES INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION this morning in Florida. ... The federal gasoline tax goes up five cents a gallon tomorrow.

FROM THE BULLS:

EUGENE PERONI at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT thinks the market may be ready for a significant breakout - initially to about 2665 on the Dow. "Most of that is technical," he says. "Getting above that area will send out some very positive smoke signals: a little bit better investor conviction [and] better psychology, probably spurred by some sort of external event." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/29)

"It's not surprising to see investors reluctant to buy stocks since a U.N. resolution could take us to war," says MITCHELL MEISLER of LEHMAN BROTHERS. But he says his firm is bullish, even if war comes. "If there is a sell-off in the market due to a war, we think it will bounce back quickly because there is an awful lot of money waiting to come back into stocks." If the market fell below 2400, Meisler says it would be "a gift." ("Investor's Daily", 11/30)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I think we are going to start slipping from here a wee bit," says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA at GRUNTAL & CO. "The reason is that the Fed is already in the process of easing and that is probably the last great catalyst left that could help us along. So anticipating that, bonds have rallied [and] stocks have

come up from their lows in October. Now we're going to start slipping because the economic numbers are coming out which confirm the recession - now the Fed is talking about it - and basically the investor attitude is going to become more defensive. In addition, you have to add the great uncertainty that a deadline for resolution in Kuwait adds. Because if you say Jan. 15 or else, you better mean or else. As each day passes and nothing happens, there will be a growing edginess on investors part that they had better step aside." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/29)

STOCK MARKET:

The market has already priced in yesterday's U.N. vote, says JAMES PIZZO, strategist at OPPENHEIMER. "Now ... the market may have some sort of lid on it going forward. The clock is ticking." The Dow is unlikely to get past 2650 even with more good news on interest rates, which Pizzo says is the only positive element driving stocks. (CNBC "World Business", 11/30)

Money manager NEIL WEISMAN, who heads CHILMARK CAPITAL PARTNERS, sees "a massive rally - which may be a bear market rally - that'll push up the Dow to 2780 by April, maybe sooner. The market is discounting the worst. All the negatives are known." ("USA Today", 11/30)

"It looked like we were going to sell off pretty hard, but the market has been finding support at around the 2500 level" on the Dow, says DALE TILLS, manager of institutional trading at CHARLES SCHWAB. "If the DJIA holds and can break above 2550, then it could rally into the mid-2600s." (WSJ, 11/30)

"All in all, the market isn't looking too badly," says TRUDE LATIMER at JOSEPHTHAL. "I was surprised there wasn't more selling [yesterday]." ("USA Today", 11/30)

"People are beginning to say, 'We're never going to pick the bottom, so let's risk a fall of another 10% so we'll get the benefit of the recovery," says HENRY SCHEMLZER at NEW ENGLAND SECURITIES in Boston in explaining an upturn in mutual fund investments. (WSJ, 11/30)

"Everytime they [short sellers] try to knock down the market ... the bids come in," says LANCE ZIPPER, head of over-the-counter trading at KIDDER PEABODY. (WSJ, 11/30)

"We are not being left behind by a new bull market," says JAMES STACK, editor of "Investech." Stack does see better internal strength but looks only for more sideways consolidation. "This market is not about to launch an assault on new all-time highs," he says. Downside leadership remaining strong on a day-to-day basis worries Stack, who's model portfolio remains invested 100% in the safety of money market funds. (CNBC "World Business", 11/30)

STOCK TIPS:

CARDINAL DISTRIBUTION "is a company on a roll," according to GEORGE ZAGOUDIS of BARRINGTON RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. "They just haven't stumbled." Cardinal set an all-time closing high of 26 on Wednesday, before slightly fading 1/4 yesterday. ("Investor's Daily", 11/30)

IBM is off three-quarters in London this morning. LEHMAN's MICHAEL BENSON says traders are worried about the sale of Big Blue's Selectric typewriter division. "People are nervous that it might be cancelled, not just delayed." (FNN "Business A.M.", 11/30)

The yield on Treasury bills could fall to 6% or less, predicts STEPHEN LEEB in "Personal Finance." "Stocks have always rallied dramatically in response to big drops in interest rates," says Leeb. Declining interest rates are one reason he sees a major buying opportunity in utility stocks, calling them "one of the most exciting growth industries of the 1990s." (CNBC "World Business", 11/30)

"The area we are buying is in the medium-capitalization sector - that is companies with market caps between $300 million and $2 billion," says KENNETH HACKLE, president of SYSTEMATIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT. He likes TIMES MIRROR and MEREDITH CORP. in the publishing sector. "We like NCR very much. We have a very big position in LOTUS. ... The oils are played out with two exceptions:

MOBIL and ROYAL DUTCH. An oil type play which we also own is LUBRIZOL." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/29)

OPPENHEIMER has identified several out-of-favor equities selling for less than five dollars which were worth many times more several years ago. Two are S&L's. "CAL FED is a three dollar stock that was forty dollars and change ... DIME SAVINGS is two and half dollars and that was as high as twenty seven," says strategist JAMES PIZZO. "What you're doing is making a bet on real estate [in New York and Los Angeles]. ... Will the recession eventually end?" (CNBC "World Business", 11/30)

J.C. PENNEY is in the "Company Spotlight" this morning in "USA Today." The article says some analysts question the company's decision to push into upscale clothing at this time. "There is some question if they've upgraded too far too fast and whether they're alienating their traditional customers," says RICHARD NELSON, analyst at DUFF & PHELPS. Still, he thinks the decision will prove to be sound over the long haul. ("USA Today", 11/30)

Investors should go into the market "with both the recession in mind and the recovery in mind," advises GEORGE JACOBSEN, JR. of TREVOR, STEWART, BURTON & JACOBSEN. He likes the drug, food, household products and energy stocks, specifically COLGATE, HEINZ and McDONALD'S. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/29)

COCA-COLA'S "business is very strong," according to JOSEPH FRAZZANO, a

beverage analyst at OPPENHEIMER. "Their profit curve will probably be in the area of 20-25% a year." (CNN "Moneyline", 11/29)

Computer retailer INTELLIGENT ELECTRONICS climbed 2 to 28 after the company announced that earnings would exceed the consensus estimate of 56 cents. "I wouldn't be surprised to see a number in the upper upper 60-cent range," says KEVIN McCARTHY of MABON, NUGENT & CO. But he warns of "continued consolidation and shakeout" in the computer sales business. ("Investor's Daily", 11/30)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"I thought [the rebound in the dollar] was going to take place over a two-or-three week period," says ROBERT WHITE of FIRST INTERSTATE BANK. "But it all happened in one day." ("Investor's Daily", 11/30)

"I think the dollar has a lot more to the upside," says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA at GRUNTAL & CO. "We are still the dominant economic power in the world and once Europe recognizes their own weakness and that the integration process with Eastern Europe will take time, [that it] will be inflationary [and] will yield some unemployment, my guess is the dollar will be the currency of choice. And as the oil market stabilizes, that also will be a plus factor. And if the U.S. is successful [in the Mideast] that will bring back the notion of America as the world's policeman - again reinforcing the notion of a strong dollar. I see a big upside in the dollar for 1991." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/29)

"The market was looking for reasons to take the dollar up," says ANDREW SMITH of LONDON & BISHOPGATE INTERNATIONAL. But VICTOR POLCE of ALGEMENE BANK NEDERLAND says, "The fundamentals still point to the dollar going down." ("Investor's Daily", 11/30)

"FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN's comments confirming a slowdown in the economy lead us to believe the Fed will ease monetary policy," says MITCHELL MEISLER of LEHMAN BROTHERS. "We foresee a significant decline in the federal funds rate, possibly to 6% from 7.5% within the next 12 months." ("Investor's Daily", 11/30)

NORMAN ROBERTSON at MELLON BANK says yesterday's personal income report is one of many recent economic reports that is likely to "persuade the Federal Reserve" to lower interest rates. He notes that the last time real income fell three months in a row was during the 1981-82 recession. (WSJ, 11/30)

"Investors today are terribly risk-averse," says LACY HUNT of MARINE MIDLAND BANK. "They do not want to take on a lot of risk and show it on their balance sheet." Because of that factor, some of the less secure bonds have seen rough waters lately. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/29)

"If economic statistics continue to come in as they have, it will put us in the direction of seeing further declines in interest rates," says RICHARD SYRON, president of BOSTON'S FEDERAL RESERVE BANK. But he described the downturn as "a technical recession driven by temporary factors." ("Investor's Daily", 11/30)

DAVID JONES of AUBREY G. LANSTON says problems in the banking system are drying up capital and that the Fed's response has been "too timid and too slow. ... What [Alan] Greenspan should have done ... was to pleasantly shock the banking system by reducing reserve requirements. going to be the only institution to get us out." (CNN "Business Morning", 11/30)

"It's got to be something of a frustration to the Fed, I would think," says JAMES PATTERSON of CHEMICAL BANK. "They've moved

interest rates lower, but, to date, that hasn't affected the cost of borrowing." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/29)

THE ECONOMY:

"Businesses are laying off workers, they're paying them less - that squeezes income in spendable dollars," says MORGAN STANLEY's STEPHEN ROACH. "What we're seeing here is that consumers are bringing their spending into better alignment with the moderation of income generation." (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/29)

"We have enough negative numbers to prove [a recession has arrived] and, furthermore, I think it is going to last a lot longer than the consensus thinking," says DAVID JONES at AUBREY G. LANSTON. "A lot of people think it will be over by spring of next year. I think it could take perhaps two years before we are out of the soup, mainly because the banking system is in such bad shape and it is going to take a while to repair the damage." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/29)

"We all advise, 'Save for a rainy day' ... but very few of us do it," says DAVID BLITZER of STANDARD & POOR'S. "It's at this point, when the economy starts to go into recession, that a lot of people say, 'Oh my gosh. It's raining now.'" (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/29)

"It looks like consumer spending will be negative in the fourth quarter," says JOHN SILVIA, an economist at KEMPER FINANCIAL SERVICES. He looks for GNP to be down for the current quarter and the first three quarters of next year. "The consumer has retrenched," says GILBERT BENZ at THE SWISS BANK CORP. "It

[yesterday's personal spending report] clearly supports those who say we're in a recession." (NYT, 11/30)

"We really are in a recession," says GEORGE JACOBSEN, JR. of TREVOR, STEWART, BURTON & JACOBSEN. "You can be involved in semantics, but we're clearly in a period of economic weakness." He says we should "work our way out of it" by early 1991. (FNN "Marketwrap", 11/29)

Following this month's flat personal income and spending figures, next month's will be "pretty weak," and that is "not a good sign" for the U.S. economy, according to IAN BORSOOK of MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MARKETS. While the depth of the recession is hard to predict, "inflation pressures are looking better," and that may help to mitigate the downward pressures says Borsook. ("Investor's Daily", 11/30)

"The economic data were very weak," says ROBERT CHANDROSS, chief economist at LLOYDS BANK. "After adjusting for inflation, consumption was lower in October than it was during any month since May. There is no strength there at all." (NYT, 11/30)

IN WASHINGTON:

PRESIDENT BUSH says bank regulations are "increasingly outmoded" and that his administration will introduce legislation next year to overhaul the banking system. "In the age of the ATM and the 800 number and in the face of intense competition from non-banks to meet the ... consumer's credit needs, we must rethink and re-examine our existing regulations and the need for change," the president told the ASSOCIATION OF BANK HOLDING COMPANIES yesterday. ("The Washington Post", 11/30)

"Recession is still not here, and we hope and think it will not be here," says Optimist of the Week and SECRETARY OF COMMERCE ROBERT MOSBACHER. He does, however, admit that "consumer confidence is on hold," and blames at least part of the downturn on the credit crunch. (CNN "Moneyline", 11/29)

The FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. is proposing that savings and loan institutions be permitted to convert to state-chartered savings banks. (NYT, 11/30)

"If Iraq does not reverse its course peacefully, then other necessary measures including use of force, should be authorized," says SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER about the U.N. Security Council authorization of force if Iraq does not withdraw by Jan. 15. "We must put the choice to SADDAM HUSSEIN in unmistakable terms." ("Investor's Daily", 11/20)

The current embargo against Iraq is "the most efficient alliance mounted in this century," according to a report written by GARY HUFBAUER, JEFFREY SCHOTT and KIMBERLY ANN ELLIOTT which was published by the INSTITUTE FOR

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS. "Iraq is unusually vulnerable to such economic coercion because crude oil represents 90% of its total exports and is easily monitored and interdicted," says the report. The authors conclude that since Iraq imports more than 60% of its food, sanctions would inevitably be successful, but might take as long as two years to have any real effect. ("Investor's Daily", 11/20)

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SUNNYVALE, CA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - MASS Microsystems (NASDAQ: MMIC) today provided an outlook for the fourth quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990.

"During the current quarter, we are continuing to experience pricing and margin pressures on our line of removable storage disk drive products. In addition, the recession has affected several of our multimedia distribution outlets resulting in lower than anticipated shipments. The combination of these factors could result in a net loss of approximately $500,000 for the quarter," stated Adel M. El-Shimi, president.

"We have taken swift action to maintain the company's competitiveness in this difficult operating environment," added El- Shimi. "These measures include a reduction in workforce and a voluntary senior executive pay reduction. In addition, we are aggressively implementing strategies to enhance our market position."

For the first nine months, MASS Microsystems previously reported revenue of $16,346,000 versus $13,983,000 and net income of $462,000, or 9 cents per share, versus $675,000, or 19 cents per share. As of Sept. 30, 1990, the company's book value was $1.51 per share.

MASS Microsystems is a multimedia-driven, peripheral enhancement company operating worldwide. The company manufactures the award-winning ColorSpace line of videographic products and the DataPak line of 45mb removable cartridge storage systems for the Apple Macintosh family of personal computers.

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ALICE, TX (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Ponder Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: PNDR) increased its revenues and net earnings substantially in the last quarter of the fiscal year ended Aug. 31.

The company reported annual revenues of $13,736,377; which is an increase of 54.9 percent over last year. Net income after tax was $538,151 an increase of

248.7 percent over the prior period. Assets now total $6,986,614, an increase of 88.2 percent over Aug. 31, 1989.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Oglethorpe Power Corp. and Georgia Power Co. have concluded negotiations on a series of agreements which enhance Oglethorpe Power's ability to buy and sell bulk power, establish new terms under which the corporation purchases power from Georgia Power, and alter the method by which jointly owned nuclear facilities are operated.

Oglethorpe Power President and CEO F.F. Stacy hailed the agreements as "significant developments that should place Oglethorpe Power in a better position to face an increasingly competitive utility environment. I'm very pleased with what we've been able to accomplish in our negotiations," he said.

He said the agreements confirm the right of Oglethorpe Power to use the state's Integrated Transmission System (ITS) to purchase power from and sell power to other utilities including those outside of Georgia. Oglethorpe Power and the other ITS owners will share capacity at all interfaces with other systems according to their proportional peak loads. Georgia Power will coordinate, dispatch and schedule Oglethorpe Power's generating resources according to schedules provided by Oglethorpe Power. The corporation, however, would have the option of assuming this function in the future.

The agreements also establish a new method by which the corporation purchases power from Georgia Power. Under the new arrangement, Oglethorpe Power will purchase from Georgia Power fixed amounts of power in future years, subject to reductions or extensions with proper notice. That amount is fixed at 1,250 megawatts for an initial nine-year term, to be paid for under a fixed rate schedule. This will replace Oglethorpe Power's current purchases under Georgia Power Co.'s partial requirements tariff.

The new agreements are subject to approval by the Rural Electrification Administration (REA) and, in certain cases, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), among others. As a result, they are not expected to be implemented before early 1991.

Oglethorpe Power Corp. is a generation and transmission cooperative providing electric power to 39 of Georgia's 42 consumer-owned EMCs. These EMCs serve more than 2 million Georgians in about 71 percent of the state's land area.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - National Asset Bank (a bank in liquidation) (NASDAQ: NABK) today announced that its board of directors had authorized a distribution to stockholders in partial liquidation of 15 cents per share of common stock. The record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to the distribution is Dec. 10, 1990, and the liquidating distribution will be paid on Dec. 27, 1990.

The liquidating distribution declared by the bank represents the fourth such distribution to be made by the bank under its plan of liquidation since its inception on Jan. 29, 1988. A spokesman for the bank stated that the 15 cents per share distribution was determined by the bank after giving consideration to, among other things, the bank's current cash accounts and anticipated obligations for operating expenses, advances, fees, taxes and other cash requirements. The spokesman added that future liquidating distributions of the bank to its stockholders will be dependent upon the amount of its future collections and expenses and will be made only after giving consideration to existing circumstances and the bank's cash requirements. Accordingly, there can be no assurance as to the amount or timing of any future liquidating distributions by the bank to its stockholders.

The outstanding shares of common stock of the bank were issued to the stockholders of Allied Bancshares Inc. as a distribution in connection with the merger on Jan. 28, 1988, of Allied with and into First Interstate Bancorp of Texas Inc.

CONTACT: Michael A. Hrebenar or Richard A. Durham of National Asset Bank, 713-952-6800

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed First Southwest Savings and Loan Association, Tyler, Texas, in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, First Southwest Federal Savings & Loan, will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift, and will operate in conservatorship under the management of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The receivership did not result in any interruption of First Southwest's day-to-day operations. The institution will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action, which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund.

OTS initiated the action because First Southwest was operating in an unsafe

and unsound condition in that it had insufficient capital, with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

First Southwest's condition is due primarily to loan losses, a high cost of funds, and the consequences of poor investment decisions made by former management beginning in 1988.

The institution had no reliable method for determining the value of its assets and engaged in a securities hedging program without the proper expertise.

Although First Southwest had a substantial residential and consumer loan portfolio, the institution invested too heavily in mutual funds and mobile home loans purchased on the market or from other institutions. Declining yields on those investments resulted in losses of $853,600. The institution booked an additional $688,000 loss on its hedging program.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, First Southwest Savings and Loan Association had assets of $51.2 million, liabilities of $53.1 million and tangible capital of negative $1.84 million, for a tangible capital-to-assets ratio of negative 3.59 percent.

CONTACT: Allen Dermody, 214-541-8534, or Marc Adams, 202-906-6677, both of the Office of Thrift Supervision

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FORT SMITH, ARK. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - R.S. Boreham Jr., chairman and CEO of Baldor Electric Co. (NYSE: BEZ) of Fort Smith, Ark., announced today that Baldor has completed the acquisition of Sweo Controls for an undisclosed amount.

Sweo Controls Inc., founded in 1980 by Ed Sweo, is a profitable company with current annualized sales of over $4 million. The company manufactures inverters, vector drives and other electronics drives that complement both the Baldor motors used widely in industry and Baldor's motion products that deliver precision positioning and motion control in modern factories. Sweo products widely broaden Baldor's line of electronic motor drives.

Sweo will operate as a subsidiary of Baldor Electric Co. and will report directly to the CEO of Baldor. Sweo will continue to operate in its Bellevue location and market its products through its present representatives and distributors.

CONTACT: R.S. Boreham Jr., chairman and CEO, or R.L. Qualls, president, of Baldor Electric, 501-646-4711

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EDEN PRAIRIE, MN (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation announced today that A. K. Dube, president and chief executive officer, was elected chairman of the board of directors. Dube was previously co-chairman of the board along with John MacLennan who remains as a director of the company.

The company also appointed Richard E. Eichhorn to vice president. Eichhorn, a founder of CPT, rejoined the board of directors in March 1990 and has been a key management team member since May 1990. He will continue to assist in the rebuilding of CPT.

The company also announced that Richard P. Jarosak, Sr., has rejoined CPT as the director of sales operations. He was an employee of the company for 10 years and left in April 1989. He was most recently employed by Zeos, International, as national sales manager.

CONTACT: David Priebe of CPT, 612-949-1728

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PENNSAUKEN, NJ (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of MEDIQ Inc. (AMEX: MED) announced today that it had adopted a strategic plan to reshape the company, addressing the effects of the present business recession and positioning the company for the '90s and the post-recession period.

In developing the plan, MEDIQ's management and board, having previously retained Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc., examined and evaluated a number of fundamental issues:

-- Unrecognized Shareholder Value. The present market price of MEDIQ's common and preferred shares translates into a total market value of approximately $50 million. Evaluating the intrinsic value of MEDIC by analyzing each subsidiary using different methodologies including discounted cash flow analysis, comparison to publicly traded comparable companies and evaluating recent mergers and acquisitions within each industry, both Smith Barney and management said they believe that the market valuation does not reflect MEDIQ's true intrinsic value.

-- Leverage. Exclusive of the obligations of Copelco, MEDIQ's leasing and financial services subsidiary, the company has $235 million of debt, of which commercial bank obligations represent approximately $65 million. While leverage may have been a desirable method of fueling corporate growth in the '80s, it is clearly not in the '90s. Further, a reduction in debt will greatly enhance the company's operating flexibility.

-- Liquidity for Shareholders. MEDIQ's institutional investor following is

minimal, contributing to a trading pattern reflecting less than desirable liquidity which in turn further discourages new institutional investment.

-- Market Perception. The market perceives the company to be an aggregation of businesses that do not benefit from being owned by a single parent. MEDIQ's shares trade at a multiple of earnings which reflects the fact that the market does not understand the company's business or direction. If traded separately, many of the company's subsidiaries would be expected to command a multiple of earnings in the mid-teens, and it is believed that none of these would trade at the lower MEDIQ multiple.

MEDIQ Inc., whose shares (MED and MED.Pr) and debentures (MED.C) are traded on the American Stock Exchange, provides products and services to hospitals, nursing homes, health care professionals and consumers through its subsidiaries. MEDIQ's businesses include diagnostic imaging and testing, maintenance of diagnostic equipment, pharmaceutical packaging, medical equipment rental, planning, design and project management of healthcare facilities, management and ownership of psychiatric units, utilization review of medical claims made to insurance companies, and financial services.

CONTACT: Michael F. Sandler, senior vp-finance of MEDIQ, 609-665-9300, ext. 6005

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - BankAtlantic (NASDAQ-NMS: ASAL) today mailed to all common shareholders of record as of Nov. 19, 1990 an offer to purchase on a prorata basis an aggregate of $1.3 million of subordinated debentures, and an aggregate of 2,033,370 shares BankAtlantic common stock at a price of $2.50 per share. This offering is available only to common shareholders of record on Nov. 19, 1990 and not to depositors, capital noteholders or preferred shareholders. The offer expires on Dec. 27, 1990.

BankAtlantic, A Federal Savings Bank, has assets of $1.85 billion and 46 banking offices in Broward, Palm Beach and Dade counties. Established in 1952, and a public company since 1983, BankAtlantic common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the ticker symbol ASAL.

CONTACT: Alan B. Levan chairman of BankAtlantic, A Federal Savings Bank, 305-760-5317

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POMPANO BEACH, FL (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Agripost, Inc. (NASDAQ: AGRI) (the "company") filed a Form 12b-25 Notification of Late Filing, giving notice it is unable to timely file its annual report on Form 10-K without unreasonable

effort and expense. For reasons described in detail in the Form 12b-25, the company will file its Form 10-K no later than the 15th calendar day following the prescribed due date, in accordance with Regulation 240.12b-25.

The company is filing a Form 8-K today in order to report certain events to its security holders, as follows: FACILITY OPERATIONS

The company's first solid waste processing plant (the "facility") accepted approximately 48,000 tons of waste during the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990, and approximately 9,300 tons of Agrisoil were shipped to growers for testing. The process achieved its goal of producing a product that is consistent in quality and meets all Florida compost regulatory guidelines for Class B compost. However, the facility has not yet attained full-scale production. The company is currently operating the facility at approximately one-quarter capacity, pending required modifications to the post-composting portion of the processing equipment (the "tertiary modification"). Operating the facility at this level does not generate sufficient revenues to cover operating and interest costs and, therefore, is not viable for the long term. On Nov. 1, 1990, the company received permission from its construction lenders to draw on a letter of credit in favor of the lenders in the amount of $475,000 to provide funding for operations. It is not expected that this will be sufficient to fund operations beyond Dec. 31, 1990.

Completion of the tertiary modification will require substantial capital. The company is working on arranging this financing, but to date the company has been unable to obtain a firm commitment for such capital.

As explained in the Form 12b-25, the company, primarily as a a rs?ult of its inability to operate the facility at full capacity, is continuing to suffer substantial losses; these losses will be substantially greater than those reported for the last fiscal year. LOAN EXTENSION

Agri-Dade, Ltd., a majority-owned subsidiary of the company, has received a further extension of its construction loan to Jan. 14, 1991 (the "construction loan"). The lenders, National Westminster Bank USA and Dresdner Bank AG, have agreed to accept a note in lieu of cash payment of the accrued interest. The terms of this extension are identical to those of the previuos extensions. FINANCING

The company is continuing its efforts to raise additional funds to finance the completion of its facility and the tertiary modification. The company has received and extension until Dec. 31, 1990, of an inducement to issue industrial revenue bonds from the Dade County Industrial Development Authority. To date, the company has not been able to obtain a firm commitment for the letter of credit required as security in connection with the bond issuance. It is thus uncertain whether the company will be able to close on the bond transaction by Dec. 31, 1990. The company is, therefore, currently attempting to carry-over its bond allocation until 1991, to allow additional

time to obtain the required letter of credit.

There can be no assurance that (1) the company's bond allocation can be carried over until 1991; (2) the IRS will approve such carry-over; (3) the company will be able to obtain the letter of credit required as security in connection with the bond issuance; (4) the company will be able to obtain the financing required to complete the tertiary modification; (5) the lenders will agree to any further extensions of the construction loan; or (6) the company will have sufficient funds to continue operating until the bond transaction can be completed. PERMITS

The company currently has a construction permit from the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation ("DER"), which expires in May, 1993, but not an operating permit. The company has been unable to shred and screen all of its compost to its appropriate particle size for marketing because the tertiary modification has not been completed. For this and other related reasons, the company has been forced to store substantial quantities of unscreened product adjacent to its facility site. On Aug. 7, 1990, DER issued a warning to the company alleging violations of Florida law as a result of the storage of such unscreened product on unpermitted acreage. The company is negotiating the terms of a consent order with DER reaching settlement with respect to these alleged violations. The terms of this consent order have not been agreed upon and there can be no assurance the company will reach a satisfactory resolution of this matter. DER has represented orally, however, that it will issue an operating permit as soon as the consent order is agreed upon.

The compost product from the facility is exempt from DER regulations because these regulations were finalized after the facility began operations. Nevertheless, the company has agreed to voluntarily subject the product to the full regulatory approval process. The company has voluntarily filed a Quality Assurance Plan ("QAP") with DER, which details the sampling and testing procedures to be used by the company. Approval of this QAP was received on Nov. 13, 1990, and product sampling and testing commenced on Nov. 15. DER has indicated that it would expect to approve the product by year end, assuming the test results to be submitted under the QAP are consistent with the data already submitted by the company.

The company also had a local operating permit for the facility from the Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management ("DERM"). This permit expired in December, 1989, and has not been renewed due to issues related to the storage area. In letters dated Nov. 7 and 26, 1990, DERM has issued orders with which the company must comply in accordance with a mandatory timetable, as conditions to continued operation of the facility. According to DERM, compliance with the orders will enable DERM to renew the facility's operating permit, while failure to comply with all orders to DERM's satisfaction will result in DERM ordering the facility to cease operations and formal enforcement action against the company.

DERM's orders include but are not limited to: commencement of mandatory monitoring programs by Nov. 15, 1990; submission of plans for a trial area compost storage program by Nov. 19; completion of certain required hydrogeological reports by Nov. 23; completion of a survey and legal description of the proposed area to be used for the temporary outside storage of the composted end product by Dec. 1; submission of a stormwater management plan by Dec. 1; submission of an odor-control plan no later than Dec. 1; submission of all existing data from previous groundwater monitoring tests by Dec. 15; submission of a plan to study the long-term effects of the application of the composted end product by Jan. 30, 1991; commencement of a groundwater monitoring program by Feb. 1; and submission of evidence of compliance with the county's requirements for the compost storage area by Feb. 1, 1991. DERM has further ordered, if and when DERM approves the company's odor-control system: Submission of plans for a study to determine the long-term effects of the company's operations at the facility; performance testing of the odor-control system at incremental operating levels so DERM can determine the appropriate capacity level at which the facility will be permitted to operate; and a risk analysis of the air emissions, including potential long-term health effects.

The company has thus far met the deadlines established by DERM; however, there can be no assurances that the company's continued efforts will meet with DERM's satisfaction. ODOR PROBLEMS

During September and early October, the company experienced odor problems at the facility and received complaints from neighboring landowners and from the students and teachers of the elementary school located directly across the street from the facility. Recent publicity given to the odor problem has prompted some of the members of the Dade County Board of Commissioners to threaten to close the facility until the odor problems can be alleviated. The company may be forced to stop its acceptance of solid waste until it obtains the required capital to alleviate its odor problems.

The company believes it is necessary to install odor-control equipment, estimated to cost approximately $375,000, to alleviate the odor problems at the facility. Funds for such odor-control equipment are included in the proposed financing for the tertiary modification discussed above. No firm commitment for such financing has yet been obtained. There can be no assurance the company will be able to obtain such capital, that the odor can be eliminated through odor-control equipment, or that the estimated amounts are sufficient to alleviate the problem. CONTRACT WITH DADE COUNTY

The company is attempting to negotiate an amendment to its contract with Dade County which would, in part, increase its tipping fee for solid waste delivered to the facility by the county until the year 2002. An increased tipping fee is necessary if the company is to be able to secure the necessary financing and operate the facility on a self-sustaining basis. The amendment must be approved at a meeting of the board of commissioners, which meeting is

expected in December 1990. Given the recent publicity to the odor problems at the facility, there can be no assurance the county will agree to the increase in the tipping fee included in the proposed amendment. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The company is currently involved in two legal proceedings; the amounts claimed against the company are reflected in its financial statements: 1. Metric Constructors, Inc. vs. Agri-Dade, Ltd., by and through its managing general partner, Agripost Dade County, Inc., Case No. 90-51994, filed in the Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court of Dade County, Florida. On Oct. 24, 1990, Metric Constructors, Inc. ("Metric") served a complaint upon the company, alleging breach of contract and foreclosure of a mechanics' lien filed by Metric against the facility. Metric has claimed $1,271,050, plus interest and costs, as the balance due on the design, construction, and operational testing of the facility. The company disputes the amount claimed by Metric and believes that any amount claimed by Metric must be set off by one-half of the cost of the tertiary modification, which the company believes is Metric's responsibility. The company has not yet filed a response to the complaint. Representatives of the company and metric have met in an attempt to resolve this dispute (and the dispute referenced below) without protracted litigation, but there can be no assurance this litigation will be resolved. 2. Jones Operations & Maintenance Co. vs. Agri-Dade, Ltd., by and though its managing general partner Agripost Dade County, Inc., Case No. 90-2398, filed in the Southern District of Florida, United States District Court. On Oct. 22, 1990, Jones Operations & Maintenance Co. ("Jones") served a complaint upon the company for alleged nonpayment of monies owed to it in connection with Jones' operation and maintenance of the facility pursuant to a service agreement. Jones alleges a total of $780,595.18, plus interest and costs, is now owed to it. Jones and Metric are affiliated companies with the same parent, the Jones Group, Inc. Because the Jones Group, Inc., has guaranteed the Metric contract the company believes it has the right to set off any amounts owed Jones against Metric's obligation to pay its share of the cost of the tertiary modification. The company has not yet filed a response to the complaint. Representatives of the company and Jones have met in an attempt to resolve this dispute (and the above-referenced dispute) without protracted litigation. There can be no assurance of any acceptable settlement of this litigation at this point.

CONTACT: David Smith, vice president of Agripost, Inc., 305-971-9167

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - To clarify any misunderstanding arising out of a Nov. 30 article in the Wall Street Journal that said that Time Warner Inc. (NYSE: TWX) is "finding a search for minority partners harder than anticipated," the company today said that any difficulty is in finding partners with a suitable strategic approach, rather than in finding interested parties. The company added it has received and continues to receive many

expressions of interest in forming joint ventures in certain of its businesses from all over the world.

CONTACT: Marilyn Harris or Ed Adler of Time Warner, 212-484-8702 or 212-288-7220

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TULSA, OKLA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - MAPCO Inc. (NYSE: MDA) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per common share, payable on Dec. 21, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 10, 1990.

MAPCO is a diverse energy company whose business is conducted by four operating subsidiaries: MAPCO Coal produces and markets bituminous steam and metallurgical coal; MAPCO Gas Products produces and markets natural gas liquids and fertilizers; MAPCO Petroleum operates refineries and retail marketing networks throughout the Mid-South and Alaska Systems; and MAPCO Transportation operates natural gas liquids and ammonia pipelines, and fractionation and storage facilities.

CONTACT: David S. Leslie, 918-599-3655, or home, 918-747-0500, or Terri A. Willson, 918-599-3608, or home, 918-742-3535, both of MAPCO

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CHICAGO (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Sheldon Good & Co., the Chicago- based national real estate marketing, auction and consulting firm, and pioneer of the national real estate auction, has announced a 12-state, 15-city, multiple-property, commercial real estate auction, to begin Dec. 5 in Kansas City, Mo., and conclude Dec. 21 in Cleveland. The firm, recognized as the nation's largest real estate auction firm, will offer properties from corporate sellers including Burger King, Chevron, Chrysler and McDonald's Corporations; retailer W. Bell & Co., Meritor Financial Group; Great West Life; and Kinark Corp. According to Good & Co. President Steven L. Good, "The real estate auction has come into its own as a state-of-the-art marketing tool for residential properties throughout the country. Now, major corporations are discovering the technique works well for the disposition of surplus real estate."

Corporate sellers, says Good, are once again taking advantage of the multi-site, multi-property auction program his firm developed in 1985. "One of the key benefits of this program is the cost efficiency generated by the shared marketing and promotion effort. The properties are exposed to a much broader audience, at a lower cost, than with more conventional marketing methods. And from the buyers' viewpoint, the savings in carrying costs achieved by the auction's accelerated time frame provide tremendous

opportunity to acquire choice commercial industrial and office properties at attractive prices."

CONTACT: Lee Taylor, 713-622-3799, or Jeff Jacobson, 312-346-1500, or Terrence Kaye, 312-346-1500, of Sheldon Good & Co.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed San Jacinto Savings Association, Bellaire, Texas, in conservatorship and appointed the Resolution Trust Corporation to manage the institution.

The takeover did not result in any interruption of San Jacinto's day-to-day operations. The institution and its 20 branches will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action, which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

OTS initiated the action because San Jacinto was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition in that it had insufficient capital, with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

San Jacinto's condition is due primarily to a consistent pattern of losses suffered on high-risk real estate investments made after it was acquired by Southmark Financial Corporation, a diversified real estate and financial services company based in Dallas. Southmark declared bankruptcy in July 1989.

Poor underwriting, the slumping Texas economy and inattention to interest rate risk by San Jacinto and Southmark led to a debilitating level of delinquencies and reposssessions. As of Sept. 30, 1990, delinquent loans and real estate owned totaled $837 million, or 26 percent of total assets. In all, assets of $1.5 billion, or 45 percent of total assets, were termed by regulators as troubled.

The institution had inadequate procedures for setting aside loss reserves, and relied excessively on brokered deposits to fund its real estate investments. As of Sept. 30, 45 percent of San Jacinto's deposits were brokered.

Southmark purchased San Jacinto in October 1983 as a primary source of capital to finance its nationwide real estate enterprise. By 1986, San Jacinto had grown from $450 million in assets to a $3 billion institution, largely through income property loans and real estate syndications sponsored by Southmark. Within two years of the acquisition, more than 80 percent of San Jacinto's mortgages were high-risk, non-traditional loans. As of Sept. 30, 1990, the institution had 122 subsidiaries.

CONTACT: Allen Dermody, 214-541-8534, or Marc Adams, 202-906-6677, both of the Office of Thrift Supervision

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NEW CASTLE, PA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - John W. Sant, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of First Western Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: FWBI), New Castle, Pa., today announced that it had completed the acquisition of First Federal of Western Pennsylvania, located in Sharon, Pa., under the terms of an agreement and plan of reorganization that had been approved by both First Western's and First Federal's stockholders at special meetings held on Nov. 20 1990, and earlier by all applicable regulatory and governmental agencies. The transaction, valued at approximately $21.4 million, is to date the largest bank holding company acquisition of a healthy savings association in Pennsylvania, under provisions of the Aug. 9, 1989, enactment of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989, known as FIRREA.

The agreement provided that First Federal would become a separate, wholly owned savings association subsidiary of First Western and that stockholders of First Federal would receive $19.00 cash or .76 shares of First Western common stock, or a combination thereof, in exchange for all of the shares of First Federal common stock owned by them. The election deadline for those stockholders of First Federal wishing to elect the form of consideration that they desired in exchange for their shares expired on Nov. 20, 1990. The aggregate purchase price to be paid by First Western is approximately 40 percent in cash and 60 percent in First Western common stock. Since total cash elections were received by the exchange agent in excess of the 40 percent cash limitation, First Western has determined that a proration factor will be applied to all parties electing cash (exclusive of odd lot shareholders), or a combination of cash and stock, such that approximately 56 percent of the cash elected will be accepted for cash payment and First Western common stock will be delivered for the remaining 44 percent of the cash elected.

First Western expects to mail checks and stock certificates in accordance with prorated elections on or about Dec. 7, 1990, to First Federal stockhl?ders who had completed proper election forms and delivered their shares of First Federal common stock to the exchange agent. Those remaining stockholders of First Federal who did not respond will automatically be determined as eligible to receive First Western common stock. Such shares will be held by First Western until such First Federal stockholders submit their First Federal shares to the exchange agent or First Western.

Since 1984, First Western's basic strategic plan has been to create a significant banking presence in the proposed Route 60 corridor from the new Pittsburgh International Airport to Interstate 80 running east-west through Mercer County. First Western's current 18 banking locations in Allegheny, Beaver, Butler and Lawrence counties cover about two-thirds of this corridor.

First Western anticipates this corridor will have a strong and steadily growing economy for the foreseeable future, an ideal banking climate. First Federal's seven Pennsylvania banking locations, mainly in Mercer County, are ideally situated to complete First Western's presence in this Route 60 corridor. First Federal's three branches in the Ashtabula, Ohio, area will provide a beginning franchise in Ohio.

First Federal is a federally chartered savings association located in Sharon, Pa., with seven western Pennsylvania branch offices located in Mercer, Butler and Venango counties and three northeastern Ohio offices located in Ashtabula County. As of Sept. 30, 1990, First Federal had total assets of approximately $342 million. First Federal is a profitable and healthy thrift with capital in excess of present regulatory requirements. First Western will bring to First Federal additional consumer, commercial and trust services to better serve its customers. First Western believes there is potential for earnings improvements at First Federal as First Western's higher profit margin commercial banking products are added to First Federal's base of business.

First Western, which had total assets of approximately $583 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, will have in excess of $900 million in assets as a result of the acquisition, with three banking subsidiaries and 28 branches in western Pennsylvania and northeastern Ohio. First Western's headquarters will remain in New Castle, Pa., but each subsidiary's headquarters remain in the community in which it is based. Existing subsidiaries First National Bank of Western Pennsylvania and Beaver Trust Co. are based in New Castle and Beaver, Pa., respectively. First Federal of Western Pennsylvania's headquarters will remain in Sharon, Pa., as a separate subsidiary of First Western.

Effective with the closing, Stephen R. Sant, previously a vice president with First Western, will assume the responsibilities of president and chief executive officer at First Federal, positions previously held by Donald H. Mong, who is retiring but who will remain as chairman of First Federal's board of directors.

CONTACT: Robert H. Young, vice president-finance, secretary and treasurer of First Western Bancorp, 412-652-8550

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Nacogdoches, Nacogdoches, Texas., in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, First Federal Savings Association of Nacogdoches, will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift, and will operate in conservatorship under the oversight of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The takeover did not result in any interruption of First Federal's day-to-day operations. The institution will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action, which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

OTS initiated the action because First Federal was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition in that it had insufficient capital with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

First Federal's condition is due primarily to poor asset management, poor accounting records and operating losses resulting from a high level of non-performing assets. As of Sept. 30, 1990, repossessions and delinquent loans totaled $8.8 million, or 14.3 percent of total assets. Commercial overbuilding and a depressed local economy contributed to First Federal's asset deterioration.

Since June 1990, the institution has been operating under regulatory directives to upgrade its asset classification procedures and to improve appraisals on real estate owned.

First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Nacogdoches was a federally chartered stock association. Shareholders will retain no interest in the new institution.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, First Federal reported assets of $61.9 million, liabilities of $61.8 million and tangible capital of $23,000, for a tangible capital-to-assets ratio of 0.04 percent.

CONTACT: Al Dermody, 212-541-8534, or Janis Smith, 202-906-6677, of Office of Thrift Supervision

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RALEIGH, N.C. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Firstcorp, Inc. today announced the following developments:

I. Changes in the Board of Directors Willard G. Ross, acting President of Firstcorp, Inc., announced that Firstcorp, Inc. and its principal subsidiary, First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Raleigh (FFR), had restructured their respective boards of directors. He noted that each individual serving on the various boards of the subsidiaries of Firstcorp will continue to serve as a director; however, the memberships of the boards had been realigned to serve better the interests and goals of the respective companies. Messrs. Stone and Strawbridge, previous members of the board of Firstcorp, have rejoined the board and Messrs. Riley and Whalen, Directors of First Federal of

Durham, have also joined the board.

As restructured, the membership of the boards of directors of Firstcorp and FFR are as follows:

Firstcorp First Federal Raleigh Texanna J. Montague
Karl G. Hudson, Jr. Ralph C. Moore Bertram A. Jones James M. Poyner Edward G. Lilly, Jr. Homer L. Riley
James D. Lumsden James H. Sparger Willard G. Ross Walker S. Stone
J. Nelson Strawbridge Dr. Robert E. Whalen II. Stock Quotations Having previously reported that its Class A common stock was being delisted from the AMEX, Firstcorp announced that its common stock will be traded over the counter with quotations over the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System (NASDAQ).

III. Consent Agreement At the time of the Office of Thrift Supervision's (OTS) disapproval of the capital plan and based on the insufficient level of capital of Firstcorp's subsidiary, FFR, the OTS requested FFR to enter into a Consent Agreement. Firstcorp announced today that FFR has entered into the Consent Agreement with OTS which contains restrictions substantially the same as those under which the institution is currently operating.

Mr. Ross, President of FFR, stated, "The Consent Agreement will have very little effect on the day to day operations of First Federal. In fact, I'd be surprised if our depositors notice any difference in the service they receive and of course their accounts will continue to be insured."

CONTACT: Willard G. Ross, Acting President and CEO, Firstcorp, Inc., 919-831-4200

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HONOLULU (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - First Hawaiian Inc. (NASDAQ: FHWN) is "pleased with" a Federal Reserve Board decision issued today to allow its purchase of First Interstate of Hawaiian Inc., according to a statement by Walter A. Dods, Jr., First Hawaiian Inc. chairman, president and chief executive officer.

"The Board's decision confirms what we have been saying al along: that the merger is pro-competitive, is good for Hawaii and will enable us to build an even stronger financial institution," according to Dods. "We are pleased with the Board's action and believe that the decision is fair, especially in light of recent decisions by the Board, including one in our own market."

The board's order provides for a 30-day waiting period before the acquisition can be consummated.

Last month, the Department of Justice issued a report to the board saying that it objected to the merger on the grounds that it was anti- competitive. Subsequently, First Hawaiian submitted a follow-up report to the board, stating that the Justice's report contained many inaccuracies and was narrow in its focus.

"If the Department of Justice decides to file a suit, we will do our best to present our case to the courts. If no objections are filed, we will move to close the purchase as soon as possible after the 30-day waiting period," concluded Dods.

First Hawaiian Inc. is a one-bank holding company whose principal subsidiary is First Hawaiian Bank, one of the two largest financial institutions in Hawaiian with nearly $5 billion in total assets. First Interstate of Hawaii Inc. is the holding company for First Interstate Bank of Hawaii, the state's fourth-largest financial with nearly $900 million in total assets.

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SANTA MONICA, CALIF. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - WCI Holdings Corp. today reported a loss of $3.8 million before income taxes, minority interest and extraordinary item on sales of $651.8 million for the third quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990. For the nine-month period, the company reported a loss of $21.0 million on sales of $2.0 billion. After income taxes and gain on retirement of indebtedness, the company reported a net loss of $2.9 million for the third quarter and net income of $.5 million for the nine-month period.

For the third quarter last year, the company reported a loss of $29.9 million before income taxes, minority interest and extraordinary item on sales of $749.2 million. For the nine-month period last year, the company reported a loss of $103.2 million on sales of $2.2 billion. After income taxes, gain on retirement of indebtedness, and minority interest, the company reported a net loss of $4.7 million in the third quarter of the prior year and a net loss of $83.7 million for the first nine months of last year.

Amounts include the results of Wickes Companies Inc., 80 percent of which was acquired in December 1988 and the balance acquired through merger in April 1989.

WCI Holdings Corp. is jointly owned by Blackstone Capital Partners L.P. and Wasserstein Perella Partners L.P.

CONTACT: Terese Kaminskas of Wickes Companies Inc., 213-452-9469; or Michael S. Sitrick of Sitrick and Co., 213-208-1108, for Wickes Companies Inc.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced a decrease in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The decrease of $4.25/bbl was effective today Friday, Nov. 30, at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$28.00 for West Texas Intermediate $26.00 for West Texas Sour $28.50 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E74. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440; or Bonnie Chaikind, 15-894-1200, both of Chevron U.S.A.

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SANTA MONICA, CALIF (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Wickes Companies, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of WCI Holdings Corp., today reported operating income of $24.4 million on sales of $651.8 million for the third quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990, compared with operating income of $10.7 million on sales of $746.9 million in the comparable period of the prior year. For the nine-month period the company reported operating income of $73.7 million on sales of $2.0 billion compared with operating income of $44.7 million on sales of $2.3 billion for the nine-month period last year. Operating income for the quarter and nine-month period ended Oct. 28, 1989, is after restructuring costs of $7.3 million and $13.5 million, respectively.

For the third quarter, the company reported a net loss of $41.7 million compared to net income of $161.1 million in the third quarter of the prior year. For the nine-month period of the current year, the company reported a net loss of $31.4 million compared with net income of $164.8 million in the prior year. Net income for the third quarter and nine-month period ended Oct. 27, 1990, includes extraordinary gains on the repurchase of debt of $8.1 million and $46.6 million, respectively. Net income of the prior year third quarter and nine-month periods include income from discontinued operations, principally gains on disposal of the discontinued businesses, of $150.8 million and $209.3 million, respectively. Additionally, extraordinary gains on the repurchase of debt were $41.0 million in the third quarter of the prior year.

Wickes also announced that its board of directors authorized additional expenditures of up to $150 million for the repurchase from time to time of its

outstanding publicly traded debt. Purchases may be made through open market or privately negotiated transactions. The timing of any repurchases will depend on market conditions, available cash and other relevant factors. The repurchases will be funded by cash from operations, borrowings under existing lines of credit and the proceeds of any additional financing that the company may obtain. The company is currently exploring a number of financing alternatives.

CONTACT: Terese Kaminskas of Wickes Companies, Inc., 213-452-9469; or Michael S. Sitrick of Sitrick & Company, 213-208-1108, for Wickes Companies Inc.

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GRAND RAPIDS, MI (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Old Kent Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: OKEN) announced today that it has acquired the assets of St. Charles Federal Savings Association totaling approximately $92 million. The thrift has three offices, all located in St. Charles, Ill., with total deposits of approximately $89 million. Old Kent acquired the thrift through its subsidiary, Old Kent Bank, N.A., Elmhurst, Ill., in an auction held by the Resolution Trust Corporation, the federal agency responsible for liquidating failed savings and loan associations. Old Kent paid a bid premium of $1,725,000 and assumed certain of the thrift's liabilities in the transaction, which was completed today.

John C. Canepa, president and chairman of Old Kent, said, "This acquisition complements Old Kent's existing offices in St. Charles, Elmhurst, Naperville, Rolling Meadows, and Wheaton, Ill. Old Kent continues to view the Suburban Chicago communities as attractive markets for expansion."

Old Kent recently announced a pending transaction with First Federal Savings Bank and Trust, Pontiac, Mich., to acquire six of that thrift's branches, all located in southeastern Michigan. Old Kent is a multi- bank holding company based in Grand Rapids, Mich. Old Kent owns 19 affiliate banks with 197 banking offices located in Michigan and Illinois. As of Sept. 30, 1990, Old Kent had total assets of approximately $8.2 billion.

CONTACT: William L. Waanders, senior vice president of Old Kent Financial, 616-771-5808

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SAN DIEGO, CALIF. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Calvary Holdings, Inc. announced today that it intends to commence a tender offer for all of the outstanding shares of the common, $1.00 par value, stock of Diceon Electronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: DICN) at $5.25 per share. The offer is conditioned upon, among other matters, obtaining the required financing to consummate the transaction and

the purchaser's satisfaction that the terms of the Delaware Business Combination Statute will not be applicable to the transaction which, in turn, is likely to require approval of the tender offer by the company's board of directors.

Calvary indicated that it has been informed that Diceon's annual meeting is scheduled to be held on Jan. 16, 1991, at which shareholders of record on Nov. 27, 1990, will be entitled to vote. Accordingly, shares purchased after Nov. 19, 1990, and settled in the ordinary five business day settlement period without receipt of a proxy from the record owner will not be able to vote at the meeting.

In connection with the annual meeting, Calvary notified Diceon on Nov. 27, 1990, that it intended to nominate a slate of directors and propose certain amendments to Diceon's by-laws which, if approved by a majority of the shares present and voting at the meeting, could result in the disqualification of the existing members of the board and Calvary obtaining control of Diceon's board of directors. If the amendments to the by-laws are not authorized at the meeting, only a single seat on the four member board will be up for election at the annual meeting. If Calvary's nominees are successful in obtaining control of Diceon's board, they have announced that they intend to consider options to maximize shareholder value, including the possible approval of the tender offer made by Calvary or any other offer at a price which represents a substantial premium over market.

Calvary also announced that on Nov. 21, 1990, it delivered to the company a letter offering to purchase all of the company's shares for $5.25 per share, which offer expired at 6 p.m. California time, Nov. 25, 1990. On the date Calvary delivered its letter to the company the stock closed at $2.50 per share, and thus the offer was more than twice the closing market price for the company's shares. Neither the company nor any member of the company's board of directors responded to Calvary's proposal.

Calvary Holdings, Inc. was formed by Calvary Partners, LP, a San Diego-based LBO research and deal origination firm. Diceon, headquartered in Irvine, Calif., manufactures sophisticated multi-layer printed circuit boards for the computer industry.

CONTACT: James Arabia of Calvary Holdings, 619-525-2009, or Brian Maddox of Georgeson & Company, 212-440-9862, for Calvary Holdings

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DAVIS, CALIF. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Calgene Inc. (NASDAQ: CGNE) has declared a regular quarterly dividend of $0.5625 on Calgene's $2.25 convertible exchangeable preferred stock. The dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Dan Wagster of Calgene Inc., 916-753-6313

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LAS VEGAS (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Sahara Resorts (NASDAQ: SHRE), managing general partner and controlling unitholder of Sahara Casino Partners, L.P. (NYSE: SAH) announced that the Nevada Gaming Commission voted unanimously Thursday, Nov. 29 to grant a gaming license to the partnership's newest property, the Santa Fe Hotel and Casino.

The unique property, located in the rapidly growing northwest section of Las Vegas, features Southern Nevada's only ice arena as well as a state of the art bowling center. The bowling facility will be the only one of its kind in the western United States, featuring Brunswick's new BowlerVision computerized bowling system.

The Gaming Commission's approval is the final step in the state's regulatory process.

The partnership also owns and operates the Sahara Hotel and Casino and the Hacienda Resort Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas and the Pioneer Hotel and Gambling Hall in Laughlin, Nev.

CONTACT: Bob Walsh of Sahara Casino Partners, L.P., 702-737-2713

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HARTFORD, CONN. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Society for Savings Bancorp, Inc. ("Society") (NASDAQ: SOCS), a diversified bank holding company, said tody that its board of directors has approved a plan designed to refocus the institution on its core strengths and geographic markets, reduce expenses, ensure a strong financial condition and restore profitability.

Society will shrink the assets of its banking subsidiary, Society for Savings ("the bank"), by up to $1.6 billion over the next 13 months and reduce significantly the bank's work force and non-staff related expenses.

The totality of these steps would result in an estimated after-tax loss in the fourth quarter which ends Dec. 31, of approximately $54.4 million (or $4.57 per share). The anticipated loss for the year is expected to be $52.0 million (or $4.37 a share). The 1990 loss includes a restructuring charge of $58.6 million, after related tax benefits, attributable to the anticipated sale of non-performing commercial real estate loans and other real estate owned, sales of securities in the fourth quarter of 1990, sales of other assets the bank expects to complete in 1991 and severance expenses attributable to the

restructuring. The bank said the restructuring charge assumes some further deterioration in the economy and in the quality of the assets to be divested.

The restructuring will bring the total level of valuation reserves for loans (including those loans identified for sale) and real estate owned to $103.5 million, prior to charge-offs, from the $49.5 million reserve level at Sept. 30, 1990. Reserves would be used to absorb any losses incurred on asset sales.

While the losses from the restructuring charge will have an initial negative effect on the capital ratios of Bancorp and the bank, the anticipated year-end capital ratios are expected to be above the regulatory requirements on both a leverage and risk-based capital basis. In addition, management estimates that Bancorp's equity to asset ratio will be approximately 5.46 percent at Dec. 31, 1990. Society's equity and retained earnings account at Dec. 31, 1990 is anticipated to be approximately $213 million or $17.88 per share.

Society said the steps authorized reflect a careful assessment of prevailing industry conditions and the New England regional economic environment affecting the bank. This review included a rigorous analysis of the bank's assets and liabilities in light of the industry- wide, continuing deterioration in the quality of some asset categories, the present and likely future cost associated with some funding sources, and the continuing pressure on interest spreads that afflicts financial organizations generally.

CONTACT: Albert E. Fiacre, Jr., executive vice president and CFO, 203-727-5420; or Robert W. Beggs, Jr., senior vice president, 203-727-5480

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NEWTOWN SQUARE, PA. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - ARCO Chemical Co. (NYSE: RCM) announced today that Harold A. Sorgenti, its president and chief executive officer, has elected to take early retirement effective June 30, 1991.

He will be succeeded by Alan R. Hirsig, 51, currently a senior vice president of ARCO Chemical Company and president of ARCO Chemical Europe. His appointment is effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Sorgenti, 56, has been elected vice chairman of ARCO Chemical Co.'s board of directors, effective Jan. 1, 1991, and will continue as a director of the company following his retirement.

"Hal's tenure at ARCO Chemical Company has been one of remarkable achievement " said ARCO Chemical chairman Lodwrick M. Cook. "The company has been a textbook case of responsible worldwide growth, and Hal has been the leader in that effort.

"We regret Hal's early departure and wish him well," Cook continued. "He has

been a leader in the chemical industry for many years, starting with his early work in the laboratories of Atlantic Refining Co. where he was instrumental in helping develop ARCO Chemical's proprietary process for manufacturing propylene oxide, a technological breakthrough."

In announcing his retirement, Sorgenti said: "I've had a long and satisfying relationship with ARCO for over 30 years. The past 11 years as president of ARCO Chemical Company have been especially exciting and gratifying, but it's time to move on to other challenges."

ARCO Chemical Company is a leading multi-national manufacturer and marketer of intermediate chemicals and specialty products used in a broad range of consumer goods. Principal product lines include propylene oxide and derivatives such as urethanes, intermediates and solvents, tertiary butyl alcohol and derivatives such as MTBE, and styrene monomer and derivatives.

CONTACT: Gerald T. Davis (media), 215-359-3198, or Robert W. Clark (investors) 215-359-3382, both of ARCO Chemical

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WORCESTER, MASS. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Transgenic Sciences, Inc. (NASDAQ: TSIN) announced today that it has acquired a 57,000-square-foot preclinical testing facility in Redfield, Ark. TSI plans to use the facility to expand its testing activities into the agricultural chemical and veterinary drug areas. Terms of the acquisition, from the Simmons First National Bank in Pine Bluff, Ark., were not disclosed.

"This excellent facility will allow us to expand rapidly our overall preclinical/toxicology testing capacity and to enter two new market segments," said Jim Sherblom, TSI's chairman and chief executive officer. "At full capacity, the facility has the potential to increase our existing preclinical testing revenues by well over 50 percent." TSI's current preclinical testing business is focused on human therapeutics and vaccines. Sherblom added that the facility "offers proximity to the FDA's National Center for Toxicological Research, with whom we anticipate developing important research collaborations and the University of Arkansas' new biomedical research center."

The Simmons First National Bank, Arkansas Industrial Development Commission and the Arkansas Science and Technology Authority participated in the financing. "We are pleased to join the Arkansas biotechnology/biomedical research community," commented Sherblom. "TSI was particularly impressed with the commitment to biotechnology by Governor Clinton, Senator Bumpers and the Jefferson County Industrial Foundation, as well as by the other state agencies that helped pave the way for the acquisition."

The facility, located on a 45-acre site, was developed in the early 1980s to

provide preclinical testing services to the federal government and to private companies.

TSI is a life sciences company developing advanced toxicology tests and disease models based on genetic engineering and transgenic techniques to improve the efficiency of the pharmaceutical/chemical development process. TSI is also developing animal strains capable of producing commercially valuable pharmaceutical proteins, as well as strains with desirable growth and genetic characteristics.

CONTACT: James P. Sherblom, chairman and chief executive officer of Transgenic Sciences, Inc., 508-791-0931; or Robert Gottlieb, vice president of Peter Feinstein Inc., 617-577-8110, for Transgenic Sciences, Inc.

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HARRISBURG, PA. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Keystone Financial, Inc. (NASDAQ: KSTN), the 10th largest multi-bank holding company in Pennsylvania, today announced its second cash dividend increase during 1990. The fourth quarter dividend will rise to 25 cents per share payable Jan. 20, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 12, 1991.

This is a 16 percent increase over the dividend paid in the fourth quarter of 1989 and a nine percent increase over the 23 cents per share paid for the third quarter of this year. In July 1990, the cash dividend was increased in connection with a stock split. The cash dividend has been raised annually since Keystone was formed in 1984, including increases totaling 56 percent since 1988.

Carl L. Campbell, president and chief executive officer, stated, "Keystone's record earnings performance for 1990 has contributed to our confidence in the company's future. The substantial dividend increases that we have enjoyed provide tangible evidence that our board of directors strongly believes shareholders should participate in the progress of the company."

Keystone Financial has three member banks -- Pennsylvania National Bank, Pottsville; Northern Central Bank, Williamsport; and Mid-State Bank, Altoona -- which operate 93 community offices in 20 Pennsylvania counties.

CONTACT: Robert J. Gentry of Keystone Financial, 717-231-5708

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IRVINE, CA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Wet Seal Inc. (NASDAQ: WTSLA) announced a 35.4 percent gain in earnings and a 36.5 percent gain in sales for its third quarter, the 13 weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990.

For the 13-week period, earnings totaled $2,627,000 ($.22 per share), up from $1,940,000 ($.20 per share) in the comparable quarter last year, on sales of $30,462,000, up from $22,309,000 in the third quarter of 1989. An additional 2,746,000 shares were included in the calculation of earnings per share in the third quarter of 1990.

For the nine-month period ended Nov. 3, 1990, earnings rose to $6,018,000 ($.56 per share) or 59.8 percent from $3,765,000 ($.40 per share) in the first three quarters of 1989 on sales of $78,971,000, a 46.3 percent increase from $53,984,000 in the first nine months of the previous year.

Wet Seal announced that comparable store sales increased 10.3 percent for the third quarter and 14.0 percent for the nine- month period. Excluding remodeled stores, comparable store sales increased 3.0 percent for the third quarter and 7.9 percent for the nine-month period.

Wet Seal opened a total of 14 stores through Nov. 3, 1990, including seven in the third quarter. The company ended the third quarter with 87 stores in operation, compared to 70 at the end of the same period in 1989. Six additional stores are scheduled to open during the remainder of 1990.

The Wet Seal Inc., headquartered in Irvine, is a specialty retailer of moderately priced, fashionable casual apparel for women. It currently operates stores in California, Nevada, Arizona, Florida, Hawaii.

CONTACT: Alan A. Weinstein, CFO, of Wet Seal Inc., 714-583-9029

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OLDSMAR, FLA. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - John L. Morgan, 49, today confirmed his plans to resign as a director of Homestyle Buffet, Inc., (NASDAQ: HBUF) effective with the board of directors' last meeting of the year on Dec. 4. Morgan, president of Winthrop Resources Corporation, Minneapolis, Minn., has been a director of Homestyle since 1987.

Barry M. Rowles, Homestyle chairman, said Morgan resigned so he could devote more time to his personal business. "We appreciate Mr. Morgan's good counsel during the period of Homestyle's early growth and extend to him our thanks and best wishes," Rowles said.

CONTACT: Barry M. Rowles, chairman, Homestyle Buffet, Inc., 813-855-2675, or Investor Relations Consultants, Inc., 813-796-1452

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OSAKA, JAPAN (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. (NYSE: MC) announced today that its subsidiary, Matsushita Acquisition Corp., commenced its previously announced tender offer for all outstanding shares of common stock of MCA INC. (NYSE: MCA) at $66 per share in cash. As part of the transaction, MCA shareholders will also receive shares in the MCA subsidiary which owns WWOR-TV, MCA's independent television station based in Secaucus, N.J. The aggregate value of the transaction to MCA shareholders is approximately $6.13 billion plus the value of the WWOR-TV shares.

The boards of directors of both companies have approved the transaction. The tender offer is conditioned upon, among other things, Matsushita receiving valid tenders for more than 50 percent of MCA's outstanding common stock on a fully diluted basis. Consummation of the offer is also subject to receipt of necessary regulatory approvals for the WWOR-TV spin-off and to payment of the WWOR-TV dividend. Certain customary conditions must also be satisfied.

The tender offer and withdrawal rights are scheduled to expire at 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 29, 1990, unless extended.

On Nov. 26, 1990, MCA and Matsushita jointly announced that they had signed a definitive agreement providing for the acquisii?on of MCA by Matsushita. MCA is a diversified international company engaged in a broad range of entertainment businesses. Matsushita is Japan's largest manufacturer of consumer and industrial electric and electronic products.

Allen & Company Incorporated is the dealer manager for the offer. Dewe Rogerson Inc. is the information agent.

CONTACT: Joele Frank of Adams & Rinehart, 212-557-0100, for Matsushita

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Nagelvoort & Company Inc today announced the closing of two related transactions. NCO Investors, L.P., an investment partnership formed by the principals of Nagelvoort & Company, and David J. Skidmore have acquired a substantial interest in JRM Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: JRMX). In conjunction with this transaction, JRM Holdings, through its newly formed subsidiary, DJS Industries, Inc., has acquired the assets of the LeRoi Princeton Hosiery division of Munsingwear, Inc. (NYSE: MUN). Terry L. Nagelvoort will be named the new president and chairman of JRM Holdings and Skidmore has been named president and chief executive officer of DJS Industries.

LeRoi Princeton manufactures and markets children's hosiery, sleepwear and playwear. The principal sales and marketing office is in New York City and production facilities are located in Princeton, Ky.

Skidmore brings over 25 years of experience within the apparel industry to LeRoi. Skidmore previously was president of the Gold Toe Hosiery division of Cluett Peabody & Co. and vice president of sales for the H.D. Lee Company, a division of VF Corporation where he had sales responsibilities for over $800 million annually. Skidmore believes, "LeRoi Princeton can efficiently bring 'market-right' products to its customers due to its vertical manufacturing capability. Further, given its solid capital base, it is poised to take advantage of significant growth opportunities."

Nagelvoort is also enthusiastic about the prospects for LeRoi and said, "This investment epitomizes many of the ideals we seek for our investors. LeRoi is a good, solid business with historical profitability in a niche market that is generally less cyclical than the apparel industry in aggregate. With the experience of Dave at the helm, we should accomplish superior investment returns for the shareholders of JRM. This is an excellent opportunity that brings together an outstanding manager, a good business and additional capital to fund growth in a corporate form with public shareholders. Our goals are clear: to participate in a growth opportunity with our operating partners and to provide high returns to our capital partners. NCO Investors is pleased to be a part of this transaction."

LeRoi has annual sales over $25 million and employs approximately 400 people. Financing for the transaction was provided by Congress Financial Corporation, JRM Holdings, and NCO Investors.

CONTACT: James D. Umland or James R. Bechtel of Nagelvoort & Company, 212-968-1800

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Celutel Inc. (AMEX: CLU) announced today that it has entered into an agreement with Continental Illinois Venture Corp. to lead a group of investors who will purchase $22.5 million of a new class of preferred stock and Class A stock purchase warrants.

Each of the 22,500 shares of preferred stock is convertible into 200 shares of Class A common stock, or an aggregate of 4.5 million shares, and pays an 18 percent dividend, compounded quarterly, payable in additional shares of preferred stock valued at $1,000 per share through July 1, 1996, and payable thereafter in cash. The warrants are exercisable for five years at $.20 per share to purchase an aggregate of 891,520 Class A shares.

The transaction has been approved by the company's board of directors. In addition, Frank S. Scarpa, chairman, a director and principal shareholder of Celutel, has granted to Continental a proxy to vote his shares in connection with matters submitted to shareholders relating to the transaction.

The transaction is subject to a number of closing and other conditions including, among others, the execution of a definitive purchase agreement not later than Dec. 28, 1990, the completion of due diligence inquiries, and shareholder and regulatory approvals. Pending execution of the definitive agreement, Celutel has agreed to refrain from negotiating or entering into a merger, asset sale or stock purchase agreement with another party.

Celutel has further agreed to pay to Continental $500,000 and issue warrants to purchase 300,000 shares at $5 per Class A share in the event Continental is prepared to execute a definitive agreement on the terms contained in the agreement and Celutel fails to execute the definitive agreement, Celutel enters into an agreement with another investor on terms more favorable to Celutel or Celutel enters into a merger or acquisition agreement at a price in excess of $5 per share and any such transaction is completed within 12 months thereafter.

Celutel Inc. is engaged in the development and operation of cellular telephone systems servicing markets in the Rio Grande River Valley area of south Texas and the state of Mississippi.

CONTACT: Valerie Hart of Celutel, 215-922-7370

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MORRISTOWN, NJ (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Barringer Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: BARR) announced today that it has extended today's expiration date of its exchange offer to holders of 12-1/2 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 1996 for Class A convertible preferred stock, par value $2.00 per share (the "exchange offer"). The exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m. New York time, on Dec. 21, 1990, unless further extended by the company. The offer is being extended in order to allow California debentures holders sufficient time to consider the exchange.

CONTACT: Stanley Binder of Barringer Resources, 201-984-5760, or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, Inc., 212-545-8400, for Barringer Resources

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KENT, WASH. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Flow International Corporation (NASDAQ: FLOW) reported today earnings for the second quarter ended Oct. 31. Earnings were 9 cents per share, including 3 cents of extraordinary gain resulting from increased use of net operating loss carryforwards by ADMAC operations, as compared with earnings of 9 cents per share, with no extraordinary gain, for the same period year ago.

Flow International is the world's leader in ultrahigh-pressure waterjets for industrial cutting, cleaning, and HydroMilling services.

FLOW INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income (Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share data)

Periods ended	Three Months		Six Months	
Oct. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$10,658	$12,754	$21,435	$23,159
Cost of goods sold	5,065	6,094	10,385	10,965
Gross profit	5,593	6,660	11,050	12,194
Expenses:				
Marketing and service	1,976	2,033	3,818	4,000
Research and engineering	1,051	1,131	2,255	2,225
General and administrative	1,127	1,519	2,594	2,989
Total	4,154	4,683	8,667	9,214
Operating income	1,439	1,977	2,383	2,980
Reversal of provision for loss on commitment to invest in former affiliate	--	1,524	--	1,524
Provision for loss on early retirement of certain equipment	--	(1,338)	--	(1,338)
Interest and other expense, net	(304)	(531)	(585)	(803)
Income before prov. for income taxes and extraordinary item	1,135	1,632	1,798	2,363
Provision for income taxes	374	505	593	731
Income before extraord. item	761	1,127	1,205	1,632
Extraordinary item: Realization of operating loss carryforwards of ADMAC	345	97	780	176
Net income	$ 1,106	$ 1,224	$ 1,985	$ 1,808
Earnings per common share:				
Income before extraord. item	$.06	$.09	$.09	$.13
Extraordinary item	.03	--	.07	.01
Net income	$.09	$.09	$.16	$.14

CONTACT: Y. H. Michael Pao or Karen Larsen of Flow International, 206-872-4900; or Anthony J. Russo or Claudia Mueller of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for Flow International

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GREAT NECK, N.Y. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Hudson General Corporation (AMEX: HGC) announced today that the Kohala Joint Venture, a joint venture between Hudson General and Oxford First Corporation, has entered into an agreement pursuant to which a third party will purchase land and develop a 27-hole golf course in Project IV (the Village) at Kohala Ranch. The agreement is subject to numerous conditions, and there can be no assurance that the conditions will

be satisfied or that the transaction will be consummated. The Kohala Joint Venture is the developer of approximately 4,000 acres of land in the North Kohala region on the Island of Hawaii.

Based upon Hudson's equity interest in the Venture, Hudson's share of the purchase price will be approximately $30 million. Approximately 50 percent of the purchase price will be paid to the Venture in cash at closing. The balance of the purchase price, which will be deposited in escrow at the closing, will be paid to the Venture upon the Venture meeting specific conditions of the agreement but in no event later than Jan. 2, 1992. Following the closing, the purchaser is obligated to construct a 27-hole premium golf course. Among the conditions to the consummation of the agreement is that the purchaser perform a satisfactory due diligence review prior to Jan. 14, 1991 and that the parties enter into mutually acceptable agreements relating to the development of the golf course, including special golf course privileges for Kohala Ranch owners, and certain other matters. Assuming satisfaction of the conditions, the agreement provides that the closing occur by Jan. 29, 1991.

Thomas Giles, vice president of the Kohala Joint Venture, stated: "This transaction is an attractive opportunity that will ensure that Kohala Ranch will continue to be developed as a first class community to the benefit of not only its residents but to the entire North Kohala region."

The Kohala Joint Venture has to date developed three phases of Kohala Ranch with parcels ranging in size from three to ten acres. The Venture is currently seeking to change the zoning for the approximately 1,300 acres at the Village in order to develop a master planned community there. Subject to receiving final zoning approval, the Village is expected to include, in addition to the golf course, 1,490 residential units containing medium density half-, three-quarter- and one-acre parcels, as well as a shopping village and community facilities.

Hudson General Corporation provides various services to airlines, airport operators and the general aviation community throughout the United States and Canada.

CONTACT: Michael Rubin, executive vice president of Hudson General, 516-487-8610

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ORLANDO, FLA. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Jeffrey H. Green has been named vice president of taxes in the publishing arm of Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc. (NYSE: HBJ) and of the HBJ Retirement Plan.

In his new position, Green will oversee preparation and filing of about 3,500

local, state, and federal tax returns for HBJ and its subsidiaries. He will also be responsible for the HBJ Retirement Plan.

Prior to joining HBJ in November, Green was a partner at Chapman Weil Green, CPAs, in Prairie Village, Kan. From 1968 to 1989, he was an accounting and tax professional in the Kansas City office of KPMG Peat Marwick, one of the nation's "Big 6" accounting firms. Green was a partner at Peat Marwick from 1980 to 1989.

Green is a certified public accountant. He earned a bachelor of science degree in business administration in 1966 and a master of arts in accountancy in 1968 at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Harcourt Brace Jovanovich publishes general books, school and college textbooks, and psychological tests, as well as medical and scientific books and journals. It is a major underwriter in life, health and accident insurance through its subsidiaries, Federal Home Life Insurance Company, PHF Life Insurance Company, and The Harvest Life Insurance Company.

CONTACT: C. Anson Franklin, vice president of Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc.
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WALDORF, MD (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Washington Savings Bank, F.S.B. (NASDAQ: WSBX), today announced financial highlights for its three months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

WSBX is a federally chartered, federally insured savings bank, with principal executive offices in Waldorf.

THE WASHINGTON SAVINGS BANK, F.S.B.

Three months ended Oct. 31	1990	1989
Net Interest Income After Provision for Loan Losses	$804,500	$795,431
Other Income	186,278	219,084
General & Administrative Expenses	910,403	757,736
Net earnings	65,275	152,279
Earnings Per Share	$.03	$.08
Average Shares Outstanding	1,993,112	1,993,112
Assets	$174,163,488	$157,131,663
Deposits	161,742,299	144,920,685
Total Stockholders' Equity	11,644,349	11,445,900
Book Value Per Share	$5.84	$5.74

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Research, Inc. (NYSE: CYR), announced today that Mazda Motor Corporation in Hiroshima- ken, Japan, has ordered a CRAY Y-MP2E computer system and Solid State Storage Device (SSD), with a total system value of approximately $8 million. This is the second order of Cray Research's new CRAY Y-MP2E system and the first CRAY Y-MP2E system order outside the United States.

The purchased system will be installed at Mazda's headquarters in first quarter 1991. The new system is the largest CRAY Y-MP2E supercomputer shipped to date with 32 megawords (million words) of memory. It will be used for automotive computer-aided engineering applications such as structural analysis and crash simulation. This system is Mazda's second Cray Research supercomputer; the company has a CRAY X-MP system, which it bought in April 1989.

"When the new system is installed, Mazda will be one of only three worldwide automotive manufacturers that own two Cray Research supercomputers," said John Rollwagen, Cray Research chairman and chief executive officer. "This second sale to Mazda signifies the company's continuing commitment to excellence in automotive design and manufacturing."

Mazda's system will use Cray Research's powerful UNICOS operating system, based on AT&T UNIX System V, an industry standard.

Cray Research has 258 systems installed worldwide; 20 systems are installed at automotive companies in seven countries around the world. Of the 20 automotive systems, eight are located in Japan.

Cray Research, Inc., designs, manufactures, markets, and supports large-scale, high performance computer systems for scientific and engineering applications.

UNIX is a registered trademark of AT&T.

CONTACT: (Media) Kate Neessen, 612-683-7132; or (Financial) Laura Merriam, 612-683-7395, both of Cray Research

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RICHMOND, VA. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Reynolds Metals Company (NYSE: RLM), which started national consumer recycling of aluminum cans more than 20 years ago, is now putting its most famous product, Reynolds Wrap aluminum foil, to work in the drive to recycle more aluminum for a better environment.

The company has announced that new Reynolds Wrap aluminum foil programs will emphasize recycling of household aluminum foil and foil products such as foil ware, pie pans and TV-dinner trays, in addition to aluminum cans.

Pointing out that for the past 10 years the company has been recycling more aluminum cans than it produces annually, the company said it is broadening the program to ensure recycling of all its consumer and packaging products, and will be using recyclable Reynolds Wrap aluminum foil to help carry the message to millions of American consumers.

Reynolds said that it is launching pilot programs in five U.S. metropolitan areas to increase consumer awareness that foil and other used aluminum products besides beverage cans are recyclable and are being recycled. Cities included are the Baltimore/Washington, D.C., area; San Francisco, Calif.; Seattle, Wash.; Tampa, Fla.; and Richmond.

"Consumers today are increasingly concerned about the environmental impact of products they buy," said John M. Lowrie, vice president and general manager of the Reynolds Consumer Products Division. "Our Reynolds Wrap aluminum foil is recyclable because it can be recycled every day through our company's aluminum recycling centers."

Reynolds Aluminum Recycling Company's staffed centers around the nation accept relatively clean aluminum foil, foil containers and all forms of miscellaneous aluminum scrap, in addition to beverage cans. Reynolds said it is working to encourage solid waste companies, municipal curbside operations and other recycling locations nationwide to do the same, stating that it will buy back the clean aluminum foil and other aluminum household scrap they collect.

CONTACT: Anne F. Waring of Reynolds Metals Company, 804-281-2468 or (home) 804-346-0039

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ASHLAND, KY (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashland Oil Inc. (NYSE: ASH) today reported that it has entered into a settlement agreement with its former chairman and chief executive officer, Orin E. Akins, under which Ashland will receive an estimated value of $2.25 million, it was announced today.

Atkins appears today in federal court in New York for sentencing on charges of wire fraud and conspiracy. Atkins pleaded guilty on Sept. 14, 1989, to the charges in connection with the attempted sale by Atkins and others of confidential Ashland documents and information to agents of the National Iranian Oil Co. for use against Ashland in litigation.

Ashland had filed a request for restitution with the court to cover costs incurred by the company to investigate the conspiracy, as well as consulting

and supplemental retirement benefits paid to Atkins during the course of the conspiracy. At the recommendation of the U.S. District Court in New York and of the U.S. Attorney, Ashland and Atkins entered into negotiations which led to the settlement.

In commenting on the settlement, Ashland's attorney John C. Elam said, "Based on all circumstances, including Mr. Atkins' financial condition, Ashland has entered into an agreement which is in its best interests and that will save its shareholders' money and the court's time."

The agreement provides for release by Atkins of all rights to any corporate benefits other than benefits protected from termination by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA). The release of these benefits will result in savings to Ashland of more than $2 million, based on actuarial assumptions. The settlement agreement further provides for payment by Atkins of $250,000 to Ashland.

CONTACT: Dan Lacy of Ashland Oil Inc., (606) 329-3148, or John C. Elam of Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, (614) 464-6271.

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ATLANTA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Fisher Business Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: FBUS) dba Fisher Restaurant Systems, today announced that the board of directors has approved a stock repurchase program by the company.

The company may repurchase up to 100,000 shares of its common stock from time to time in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions. The purchased shares will be held as treasury stock and used for such corporate purposes as the board of directors may determine. Presently there are 5,015,857 shares outstanding.

Commenting on the company's recently announced third quarter results, Larry Fisher, president, stated: "We are pleased to report our third successive profitable quarter and our fourth in the last five. We have already exceeded our revenue total for all of last year. Installations of the Fisher System at Denny's continue at a strong pace, and we have begun to install our system in International House of Pancakes corporate and franchised stores.

"We expect our fourth quarter revenues to be significantly higher than in prior years. Installations by restaurants tend to slow down during the holiday season, but we entered the fourth quarter with a strong order backlog. Therefore we anticipate an improvement in results of operations as compared to the fourth quarter of last year."

Revenues for the quarter ended Oct. 31 were $2,360,101 as compared to $2,092,530 for the same period last year. The profit for the quarter was

$26,131 or $.01 per share, as compared to $34,586 or $.01 per share for the third quarter of last year. Revenues for the nine months ended Oct. 31 were $7,642,895 as compared to $4,226,414 for the same period last year, and profits for the nine months were $180,276 or $.04 per share, as compared to a loss of $522,260 or $.13 per share for the same period last year.

The company produces and markets computer-based Point-of-Sale and Restaurant Accounting Systems which are based on the IBM Personal System/2 family of business computers. These fully integrated application solutions are sold by a direct sales force to restaurants, country clubs, and other non-fast food eating establishments.

CONTACT: Johnnie M. Engesser, vice president of Finance and Administration of Fisher Business Systems, 404-578-1771

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The General Mills Foundation awarded $3,150,718 during its second fiscal quarter to 159 nonprofit organizations for a variety of services to the community. Health and social action organizations received $2,073,318; arts and cultural nonprofits received $422,500; and organizations with education programs received $544,400.

The majority of the grants benefit families, children and youth.

"These grants will help the community understand and remedy some tough problems affecting families, children and youth. In a significant way, they impact key health, social and education needs," said Dr. Reatha Clark King, president and executive director of the General Mills Foundation.

The General Mills Foundation provides philanthropic support to help solve problems affecting society and to improve opportunities for individuals. Grants made by the foundation since it was established in 1954 total more than $100 million.

CONTACT: E. Barry Wegener of General Mills, Inc., 612-540-7784

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SOUTH BURLINGTON, VT. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Green Mountain Power Corporation (NYSE: GMP) today announced a quarterly cash dividend of 50.5 cents per share on the utility's Common Stock, payable Dec. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record Dec. 14, 1990. This payment represents the second quarterly dividend at the indicated rate of $2.02.

Regular quarterly dividends on Preferred Stock were also declared payable

March 1, 1991 to holders of record at the close of business Feb. 15, 1991 as follows: 5 percent Class A, $1.25; 4.75 percent Class B, $1.1875; 7 percent Class C, $1.75; 9.375 percent Class D, Series 1, $2.34375; and 8.625 percent Class D, Series 3, $2.15625.

CONTACT: Edwin M. Norse, CFO and treasurer of Green Mountain Power Corporation
802-864-5731

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MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - ULTIMAP CORPORATION announced today that the Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments (H-GAC) has selectedi?Map(R) for their Geographic Information System (GIS). The initial contract is valued at $213,000.

"After an extensive review of GIS vendors, systems, and users, H-GAC selected UltiMap," said Max Samfield, manager of Data Services for HGAC. "The selection is based on UltiMap's fulfillment of H-GAC's evaluation criteria, which included functionality, ease of use, support services, and cost considerations. As a large planning agency, we are particularly encouraged by the fact that UltiMap was developed through a long-term, real-world, evolutionary process, in a demanding planning and engineering environment. At the same time, the system's developers have incorporated state-of-the-art data management and graphics handling techniques. The result is a system with the kind of speed, flexibility, and intuitive user interface that we have been looking for."

Samfield also added, "H-GAC recently created a Data Services Department in order to focus greater effort and resources on the growing information requirements of its planning region, which encompasses 13 counties. Serving a population of nearly 4 million people, H-GAC is very concerned with providing a powerful and efficient, yet cost- effective information resource to our 150-plus member governments and agencies, as well as our private sector associates. It is particularly important that we have the ability to produce a manageable synthesis of demographics, environmental, and transportation-related information from a large number of diverse sources. These sources include the State Highway Department, the Metropolitan Transit Authority, appraisal districts, city planning departments, research institutes and many others.

UltiMap is a unique software system that fully integrates Automated Mapping and Facilities Management (AM/FM), Geographic Information Systems (GIS), and Computer-Aided Design and Drafting (CADD). The UltiMap System was originally developed and proven by Hennepin County, Minn., and the City of Minneapolis, and is now exclusively marketed and supported worldwide by ULTIMAP CORPORATION a Minneapolis-based company specializing in providing geographical information management products and services.

ULTIMAP CORPORATION is a subsidiary of ULTIMAP INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION, whose stock is traded nationally over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol "UMAP."

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SAN DIEGO (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Burnham Pacific Properties Inc. (NYSE: BPP) a San Diego-based equity real estate investment trust (REIT), has declared a fourth quarter cash dividend of 34 cents per share payable on Dec. 28 to stockholders of record on Dec. 19, 1990.

According to Louis J. Garday, president, the payout is the company's 99th consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid without interruption or reduction since 1965.

Burnham Pacific also announced that the board of directors amended the dividend reinvestment plan to allow the company to purchase shares in the open market or issue new shares to fulfill the plan's needs. Previously, the plan's needs were fulfilled solely with newly issued shares.

Burnham Pacific owns and manages 19 commercial real estate properties in San Diego, Orange and Los Angeles Counties and is affiliated with John Burnham and Company, a 99-year-old San Diego-based real estate, insurance and mortgage banking firm.

CONTACT: Louis Garday, president, or Bill Gabriel, 619-236-1555, of Burnham Pacific Properties Inc.

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LIVERPOOL, NY (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Fay's Incorporated (NYSE: FAY) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on the company's common stock of $.05 per share, payable Jan. 11, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 28, 1990.

Fay's currently operates 191 drug stores, 26 Wheels Discount Auto Supply Stores and 25 Paper Cutter Stores.

CONTACT: Henry A. Panasci, Jr., chairman of the board of Fay's, Incorporated, 315-451-8000.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Isramco, Inc. (NASDAQ: ISRL) today issued the following statement:

"Pursuant to our release of Oct. 30, 1990, and on behalf of the participants in the Negev Venture 2, we wish to inform you that:

"1. On Nov. 27, 1990 H.E.I transferred $200,000 on account of its outstanding debt to the Negev Venture 2 and subsequent to this payment H.E.I. now owes $1.58 million to the venture.

"2. H.E.I. reiterated and clarified that the $1.58 million outstanding debt results from the fact that the subject of the government grant has not been settled yet and H.E.I. has requested that the other participants give it a further extension to sort out the matter. The non-H.E.I. participants decided to avail H.E.I. of the opportunity, until Dec. 24, 1990, to sort out its debt without losing its rights in the venture.

"3. All the participants (excluding H.E.I. and other non-Israeli participants, the latter of which hold between themselves 2.2457 percent of the venture) replied positively to the operator's request of Oct. 30, 1990, and paid according to their pro-rated share in the venture a total amount of $1.49 million, in accordance with the joint operating agreement.

Naturally any amount paid by H.E.I on account of its above debt to the Negev Venture 2 will be used to repay the participants according to their proportional share of the interim funding of H.E.I's debt."

CONTACT: David Malkin, corporate secretary of Isramco, (212) 486-8615; or John Swanson of Swanson Communications, Inc., (212) 683-4890, for Isramco.

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WEST LAFAYETTE, IN (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Emerson Kampen, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Great Lakes Chemical Corporation (NYSE: GLK), today announced that the board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.12 per share, payable on Jan. 29, 1991, to the holders of record of the common stock of the corporation on Jan. 1, 1991.

The company recently reported record revenues and earnings for the third quarter and the first nine months of 1990. For the nine month period, revenues reached $811,831,000, a 33 percent increase from the $610,169,000 registered for the same period in 1989. Net income rose 14 percent to $104,272,000, or $2.97 per share, from the previous year's level of $91,461,000, or $2.62 per share.

Great Lakes Chemical Corporation, a Fortune 500 company, is the world's

leading producer of bromine, brominated chemicals and furfural derivatives for such applications as flame retardants, agriculture, oil and gas well completion fluids, water sanitizers and other specialty applications. The stock of the company is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: David R. Bouchard or Gregory J. Griffith, both of Great Lakes Chemical Corporation, 317-497-6100

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RALEIGH, NC (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Texfi Industries, Inc. (NYSE: TXF) announced today executive promotions as part of organizational changes within its Blends Division.

Andrew J. Parise, Jr., formerly the executive vice president of marketing for Texfi's Blends and a 13-year executive within the company, has been promoted to president of Texfi Blends.

Texfi Blends Division, which contributes almost 40 percent of total revenues, is based in Rocky Mount, N.C. This division develops, markets, and produces a diversified line of woven finished fabrics for apparel and non-apparel markets. Additionally, the following executives have been promoted and will report to Parise:

William F. Pomeroy, who has served with Texfi for 17 years, has been promoted to vice president of manufacturing of the Blends Division. Previously, Pomeroy had been the director of manufacturing for the division.

Timothy Courtney, an executive with the company for 24 years, has been promoted to Blends Division vice president of marketing services.

Gerald Rubinfeld has been promoted to vice president of marketing and sales of the apparel fabrics sector within the Blends Division. These fabrics are manufactured for the purpose of supplying materials made into men's and women's slacks, suits, uniforms, and coordinated sportswear. Rubinfeld has served with Texfi Blends for six years.

Frank Frecentese will become the vice president of marketing and sales of the specialty fabrics sector of the division which includes fire resistant fabrics used as decorative wall, window, and bed coverings. Frecentese has been with the firm for 18 years.

Carroll A. Gibson, previously the president of Texfi Blends, will join Texfi's Industries, Inc.'s corporate staff and will be working on special projects reporting directly to L. Terrell Sovey, Texfi's president and chief executive officer.

L. Terrell Sovey, commenting on these announcements, said, "We have an outstanding team of highly experienced executives that have helped propel Texfi Blends to become recognized in the industry as a leader in innovative styling and new fabric development while achieving highly profitable operating results for the division."

Texfi Industries, Inc. is in the business of manufacturing and marketing various textile and apparel products. Texfi's common stock, preferred stock and debentures are traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Michael A. M. Miller, chief financial officer of Texfi Industries, (919) 783-4736, or Marisa Heine of D. F. King & Co., Inc., (212) 269-5550, for Texfi.

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NEWTON, MASS. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Health and Rehabilitation Properties Trust (NYSE: HRP) today announced that it has declared a dividend of 23 cents per share representing a pro-ration of the fourth quarter dividend.

The dividend of 23 cents per share will be paid to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 12, 1990 and will be distributed on or about Feb. 21, 1991.

Mark J. Finkelstein, president and CEO, stated that the 23 cents per share dividend is a partial distribution with respect to the anticipated financial results for the quarter ended Dec. 30, 1990. The usual fourth quarter dividend is being split to compensate the current shareholders for the financial results through the approximate effective date of the previously announced public sale of stock in connection with HRP's investment in 21 nursing homes owned by American Medical Services, Inc. ("AMS"). The balance of the usual fourth quarter dividend will be declared in January for shareholders of record at that time, and also will be paid on or about Feb. 21, 1991.

On Nov. 9, 1990, HRP announced that it had entered an agreement to invest $62.5 million in 21 nursing homes to finance the acquisition of AMS. HRP's investment is being funded $38.5 million in cash and by issuance of 3 million common shares. Two million of these 3 million shares are being simultaneously offered for sale by AMS, as a selling shareholder, in a public offering managed by Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp.

A Registration Statement relating to the securities referenced above has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in Washington, D.C., but has not yet been declared effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the Registration Statement becomes effective. This news release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities

in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state. Copies of the Preliminary Prospectus describing these securities may be obtained from any office of the Underwriter named above.

CONTACT: Mark J. Finkelstein, president, or David J. Hegarty, treasurer, both of Health & Rehabilitation Properties Trust, 617-332-3990

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MONTCLAIR, NJ (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Montclair Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: MSBI), parent company of Montclair Savings Bank, reported net income for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990 of $1,830,000, or $0.75 a share, compared with $4,161,000, or $1.68 a share, a year ago. The decrease in earnings was due primarily to a provision for loan losses in 1990 of $3,100,000 compared with $546,000 in 1989.

Core earnings, consisting of net operating income exclusive of the provision for loan losses and income taxes, increased $180,000 from the prior year to $7,285,000. Net interest income was $16,938,000 for the year, up $1,131,000 from $15,807,000 in 1989 and $4,222,000 for the quarter, up $429,000 from $3,793,000 for the same 1989 quarter. Approximately $1,100,000 of interest on non-accrual loans was excluded from income in the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

After a quarterly provision for loan losses of $1,600,000, compared with $600,000 last quarter and $150,000 for the comparable 1989 quarter, the Bancorp recorded a net loss for the three-months ended Oct. 31, 1990 of $292,000, or $0.12 a share, compared with net income of $857,000, or $0.35 a share, for the same 1989 period.

At Oct. 31, 1990, non-accrual loans and accruing loans 90 days or more delinquent were $16,928,000, compared with $12,312,000 at July 31, 1990, the end of the third fiscal quarter and $8,052,000 at Oct. 31, 1989. The allowance for loan losses, after charge-offs of $551,000, was $3,681,000 at Oct. 31, 1990, compared with $2,336,000 at July 31, 1990 and $1,132,000 at Oct. 31, 1989. Future additions to the allowance will continue to be based upon the Bank's review of its loan portfolio in light of conditions in the real estate market and the economy. At Oct. 31, 1990 and July 31, 1990 other real estate owned was $877,000 and $263,000, respectively. There was no other real estate owned at Oct. 31, 1989.

The Bancorp's Capital-to-assets ratio was 11.2 percent and 11.7 percent, respectively, at Oct. 31, 1990 and 1989. The Bancorp's total capital to risk-weighted assets ratio was 16 percent at Oct. 31, 1990, exceeding the regulatory requirement of 7.25 percent effective as of Dec. 31, 1990. Book value per share was $26.41 at Oct. 31, 1990 compared with $25.88 per share at

Oct. 31, 1989.

Total assets and total deposits at Oct. 31, 1990 were $590,348,000 and $518,586,000 respectively, increasing $33,858,000 and $36,917,000, respectively, from the previous fiscal year end. Total loans, excluding mortgage-backed securities of $14,871,000, were $463,660,000 at Oct. 31, 1990, increasing $27,471,000 from 1989.

Since the announcement of a stock repurchase program at the March 1990 Annual Stockholders' Meeting, the Bancorp has purchased 98,514 shares of its common stock. The Bancorp is authorized to purchase up to approximately 5 percent of its outstanding shares, or 123,600 shares. The total number of common shares outstanding at Oct. 31, 1990 was 2,374,303.

On Nov. 13, 1990, the board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of $0.15 a share, payable Jan. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record Dec. 1, 1990.

CONTACT: Anne J. Pescatore, vice president of Montclair Bancorp, 201-744-3500

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EVERETT, WASH. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - INTERMEC Corp. (NASDAQ: INTR) recently announced a reseller agreement with IDENTATRONICS, a manufacturer of identification badges and provider of identification systems and supplies.

The reseller agreement will allow INTERMEC to offer the IDENTATRONICS product line through its Pre-Print Department, which provides bar code label supplies including labels, tags and menus using all types of bar code symbologies, printing technologies and materials for most environmental applications.

According to Robert Bowman, vice president and general manager at INTERMEC's label products plant in Cincinnati, the new line of badges, which carry a five-year warranty, share the same high-quality standards as all INTERMEC label supplies. "The reseller agreement will further enhance our capability to provide automated data collection systems which solve real business problems by turning raw data into useful information."

The new product line includes bar badges with multi-color imprinting, custom die cut openings, bar code security patches, security treatments, embossing, magnetic stripe, and other options, as well as camera and laminating systems for on-site production of photo identification badges.

INTERMEC is currently building a new office and manufacturing facility in Cincinnati to accommodate the tremendous growth it is experiencing in its label products business. INTERMEC has additional label facilities in Las Vegas and Nijmegen, the Netherlands, to meet the needs of the company's growing customer base worldwide.

For further information, contact INTERMEC Corp., 6001 36th Avenue West, P.O. Box 4280, Everett, WA 98203-9280, telephone 206-348-2600, Telex 3794107, or FAX 206-355-9551.

A pioneer in bar code technology and the world leader in automated data collection for information management, INTERMEC Corp., of Everett, designs, manufactures and markets the most comprehensive line of data collection hardware, software, systems, service and label supplies available worldwide.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Visa International ATM Network, already the world's largest international network, is now the first to top 60,000 automated teller machines around the globe.

Visa said that Lloyds Bank added a total 2500 cash dispensing locations in the United Kingdom to the Visa worldwide network, which now has 60,614 machines in operation, up 38 percent from a year ago.

A cardholder can withdraw cash from any Visa ATM Network machine by using a Visa card and a personal identification number. The transaction amount is drawn automatically from the cardholder's account.

In October, Visa cardholders used the network to obtain $176 million in cash, up more than 87 percent from the same month in 1989.

Visa, with more than 240 million cards in circulation, is the world's largest consumer payments system.

CONTACT: Gregory Holmes of Visa, 415-570-2107

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SOMERVILLE, NJ (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Hoechst AG and Hoechst-Roussel Pharmaceuticals Inc. have received a 6.8-year U.S. patent term protection extension for the manufacture, use and sale of the drug Trental(R) (pentoxifylline), used to treat peripheral arterial disease.

The extension is the result of a recent decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Under the extension, the patent right is protected

until March 1997. Patent protection means that no other company can produce, use or sell pentoxifylline in the United States.

The basis for patent term extensions, such as the one Hoechst-Roussel received is the Drug Price Competition and Patent Term Restoration Act, enacted in 1984.

The decision and the patent term extension for Trental(R) pentoxifylline was in keeping with the remedial purpose of the law, explained Jerome Rosenstock, vice president, patents, for Hoechst Celanese, the parent company of Hoechst-Roussel.

The purpose was to compensate companies, such as Hoechst-Roussel, that had invested in the development of new pharmaceuticals, by restoring some of the patent term that had been lost during the regulatory review process.

Issued on June 5, 1973, the U.S. patent for Trental would ordinarily have expired in 17 years on June 5, 1990. However, patent term extensions for certain drugs became allowable in 1984 under the Drug Price Competition and Patent Term Restoration Act. Hoechst applied for a patent term extension that year, but its application was denied by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the basis that it was not subject to a "regulatory review" as defined in the act. Since then, appeals of the Patent Office's decision were filed, with the eventual result of the favorable Appeals Court ruling.

Hoechst-Roussel Pharmaceuticals Inc. is part of the Life Sciences Group of Hoechst Celanese Corporation. Hoechst Celanese is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hoechst AG of Germany, with leading positions in chemicals, fibers, advanced materials and technologies, and life sciences. Its 1989 sales were $6 billion, placing Hoechst Celanese 77th on the Fortune 100 list.

CONTACT: Andrea Stine of Hoechst-Roussel Pharmaceuticals, (201) 231-3752, or (609) 921-6375.

-30- 2459

#90334p9784 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAYNE, N.J. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - American Cyanamid (NYSE: ACY) has announced an increase in the rotation interval for potatoes to 15 months on acres treated with ASSERT(R) herbicide.

"We have the best interest of potato growers in mind as we make this change," said Scott Fleetwood, American Cyanamid product manager.

"Due to the variability of environmental conditions, crop injury is always possible. In order to reduce the chance of injury to potatoes in 1991, we recommend that land treated with ASSERT in 1990 should not be rotated to potatoes prior to 1992," he said.

Growers using ASSERT herbicide are advised to plant an alternative crop next season on those acres.

ASSERT is an effective herbicide that controls wild oats and certain broadleaf weeds in wheat and barley.

CONTACT: Nicholas B. Kalm of American Cyanamid, 201-831-3877

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#90334p9794 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Colonial Intermediate High Income Fund (NYSE: CIF) a closed-end investment company, today released earnings and dividends for the quarter ending Oct. 31, 1990. The results are as follows:

	Fourth Quarter Ending Oct. 31, 1990	
	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$3,067	23 cents
Income dividends	(3,587)	(27 cents)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(24,818)	(1.87)
Decrease in net asset value from operations	(25,338)	(1.91)
Value of shares issued for reinvested dividends	---	N/A
Net asset value:		
Beginning of quarter	90,210	6.79
End of quarter	$64,872	$4.88
Market price at end of the quarter	---	$4.500

	Fourth Quarter Ending Oct. 31, 1989	
	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$4,000	31 cents
Income dividends	(3,919)	(31 cents)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(9,598)	(73 cents)
Decrease in net asset value from operations	(9,517)	(73 cents)
Value of shares issued for reinvested dividends	---	N/A
Net asset value:		
Beginning of quarter	117,286	8.99
End of quarter	$107,769	$8.26
Market price at end of the quarter	---	$7.375

CONTACT: Rich Silver of The Colonial Group, 617-426-3750

-30- 2159

#90334p9795 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - GWC Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: GWCC) announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, General Waterworks Corp., purchased at a closing held today in Albuquerque, N.M., the water and wastewater utility assets of Albuquerque Utilities Corp., a subsidiary of AMREP Corp. (NYSE: AXR), for a purchase price of approximately $40 million.

This acquisition marks GWC's entry into the state of New Mexico. A new GWC subsidiary, Rio Rancho Utilities Corp., will own and operate the water and wastewater utility which serves more than 12,000 customers.

Concurrently with this closing, GWC Corp. issued and sold 1,066,600 shares of its common stock to Lyonnaise American Holding Inc. for $18.75 per share, totaling $20 million, increasing the LAH ownership from 80 percent to approximately 82 percent of the outstanding shares of GWC Corp. GWC Corp. made a capital contribution of $15 million to General Waterworks Corp. to assist in making the utility acquisition and for other corporate purposes.

General WatErworks Corp. assumed $15 million of indebtedness due 2003 as part of the payment of consideration for this acquisition.

GWC Corp., headquartered in Wilmington, is a water utility holding company that is also engaged in non-regulated activities. Its major subsidiary is General Waterworks Corp. which now owns 35 regulated utility subsidiaries operating in 15 states. GWC's shares are traded over the counter in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "GWCC." The company now has 11,066,600 common shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Lewis R. Masotti, senior vice president of GWC Corp., 302-633-5918

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#90334p9796 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CONN. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Aetna Life and Casualty Company (NYSE: AET) today voted a quarterly cash dividend of 69 cents per share on the company's common stock. The dividend is payable Feb. 15, 1991 to shareholders of record Jan. 25, 1991.

CONTACT: Peggy Garrity of Aetna, 203-273-0797

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#90334p9798 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boeing Co. (NYSE: BA) has donated $100,000 to help victims of recent flooding in Washington.

According to Harold Carr, vice president of public relations and advertising for The Boeing Co., the corporate donation was divided between two relief agencies, the American Red Cross and the Salvation Army.

"The Boeing contribution will help both agencies in their relief efforts for those hit hard by this disaster," Carr said.

CONTACT: Sherry L. Nebel of The Boeing Co., 206-655-6123

-30- 693

#90334p9799 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Baker Hughes Incorporated (NYSE: BHI) announced that it has purchased Elder, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Energy Ventures, Inc.

This transaction is the culmination of certain agreements whereby Energy Ventures acquired the non-real estate operating assets of Hughes Tool Joints from Baker Hughes and granted to Baker Hughes the right to buy Elder.

Baker Hughes is a leading provider of products and services for the oil, gas and process industries.

Energy Ventures, Inc. is an oilfield service and equipment company based in Houston. The company manufactures drill pipe, premium tubing, and artificial lift equipment and is a marine drilling and workover contractor.

CONTACT: Ronald G. Turner of Baker Hughes, (713) 439-8666.

-30- 945

#90334p9807 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW HAVEN, CT (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - A 29-year-old youth service officer for the state of Connecticut and a 32-year-old professional comedian who has opened for Joan Rivers have been selected to perform as stand-up comics on Continental Express flights between New Haven and Newark, Dec. 3-7.

The funnymen were selected from a field of 10 by Continental travel agents at a special audition Nov. 28 at Joker's Wild Comedy Club.

Performances by live stand-up comics are part of ''Express Yourself'' week, a five-day program sponsored by Continental Express.

Morning flights between New Haven and Newark from Dec. 3-7 will feature live informational speakers addressing issues of interest to business travelers.

Late afternoon and evening flights will spotlight the comedians who will be given 10-12 minutes to present their routines.

The Hartford-area comedians who will appear on Continental Express flights are:

-- Roy Charette, 29, who was raised by his Okinawan mother in the inner city of Hartford. He has served for seven years as a youth service officer at the Wilderness School in East Harford. The program is administered by the Connecticult Department of Children and Youth Service. Charette has been performing stand-up comedy for the past five years.

-- Kevin Livingston, 32, from New Haven. After serving a six-year stint in the army, Livingston broke into stand-up comedy. He has opened for Joan Rivers on several occasions.

Charette and Livingston join three other comedians who were chosen at Rascals Comedy Club in West Orange, N.J., to perform on the commuter flights. The comics will be required to obey safety rules and the seat belt sign, which means weather conditions may dictate whether the entertainers will be stand-up or sit-down comics. The Continental Express prop jets used on the New Haven/Newark route include the 30-passenger Embraer 120 Brasilia, and the 46-passenger aerospatiale/ Aeritalia ATR-42, both of which are an appropriate size for live, in-flight programming.

CONTACT: Joel Feldstein, 708-291-1080, for Continental Express

-30- 2298
#90334p9815 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, N.Y. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - LTV Missiles and Electronics Group announced today that its Sierra Research Division has received a $1.1 million contract to produce airborne stationkeeping equipment for the Japanese Air Self Defense Force.

The contract was awarded via Nozaki America, Inc., a Japanese trading company.

The AN/APN 169B stationkeeping equipment will be installed in C-1 jet transport aircraft operated by the Japanese Air Self Defense Force. Sierra has previously produced stationkeeping sets for two squadrons of Japanese C-1 aircraft.

Stationkeeping equipment, also known by the acronym SKE, enables transport aircraft to locate and identify each other and maintain relative positions in formation, regardless of visibility conditions.

The unique airborne electronic system developed and manufactured by Sierra also allows for communications of flight command information without voice

transmission and provides precision guidance for airdrop operations.

Work on SKE systems will be done at Sierra's facility in suburban Cheektowaga and is expected to be completed in March 1992.

Sierra Research Division is a prime developer, integrator and producer of electronic systems and products for worldwide military and commercial use. It is one of three divisions of the LTV Missiles and Electronics Group which also produces missiles, rockets, space systems and military vehicles.

CONTACT: Judith A. Rucki of LTV Missiles and Electronics Group- Sierra Research Division, 716-631-7832

-30- 1717
#90334p9824 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARDMORE, OK (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Noble Affiliates, Inc. (NYSE: NBL) today announced that its indirect wholly owned subsidiary, Samedan of Tunisia, Inc., has acquired interests in certain concessions and a production sharing contract in Tunisia from various subsidiaries of the Royal Dutch/Shell Group of Companies.

Samedan of Tunisia, Inc. will become operator of the Metlaoui PSA and the Isis Birsa, Oudna, and Tazerka concessions, including the Tazerka oil field, and will increase its interest in the Zinnia concession.

The Tazerka field is located 35 miles offshore Tunisia in the Mediterranean Sea in approximately 400 feet of water. The field is produced using subsea wellheads tied into a moored tanker, containing production equipment, living quarters and oil storage facilities. During the first ten months of this year, the Tazerka field has produced approximately 2,750 barrels of oil per day from five wells.

Samedan is establishing an office in Tunis, which will be responsible for conducting the exploitation operations in Tazerka and the exploration and development in other Tunisian properties. The company has already agreed to employ the national staff of Shell Tunirex, the previous operator of the acquired concessions (Zinnia excepted).

"We are very enthused about acquiring the properties and offering employment to the Shell Tunirex staff in Tunisia," said Robert Kelley, Noble's president and chief executive officer.

"We have been involved in exploration within the country for many years and enjoy a good relationship with the Tunisian authorities. The properties have good exploration and development potential and we are looking forward to working with our industry partners, which include the Tunisian State Company, ETAP, to develop new oil reserves."

Samedan of Tunisia, Inc. has acquired interest in the properties ranging from 20 percent to 100 percent which are equally shared with an internal partner.

Noble Affiliates, Inc. is an independent energy company with exploration and production operations throughout major basins in the United States, including the Gulf of Mexico and offshore California, as well as foreign operations primarily in Canada, Tunisia, Indonesia, and Equatorial Guinea.

CONTACT: William D. Dickson of Noble Affiliates, (405) 223-4110.

-30- 2540

#90334p9826 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MASS. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Hill and Knowlton USA today announced it is headquartering a second major practice group -- biotechnology -- in its New England office.

It also announced that Lorraine Ruff has been promoted to senior vice president and managing director of the group.

Ruff will report to Thomas G. Mattia, general manager Hill and Knowlton/New England. Mattia serves as a worldwide director for advanced technology, the other practice group headquartered in New England.

According to Mattia, Ruff will continue to direct the New England biotechnology unit that she was recruited to form two years ago.

She will expand her responsibilities to include the development of an international marketing plan for the group and oversight for major clients.

She will also work with the regional directors of biotechnology units in Washington, Santa Clara, Brussels, and London to identify business opportunities and implement the group's marketing plan. Since joining Hill and Knowlton, she has added 17 clients to the group's portfolio of more than 30 biotechnology and medical device companies.

"I believe that the most compelling issue biomedical companies will face in the next three-to-five years is the constraints posed by cost containment," Ruff said.

Hill and Knowlton/New England services include media relations, issues management, corporate communications, community relations, crisis management, marketing communications, and environmental and regulatory consulting. Its programs have local, regional, national, and global scope.

The New England office is part of the worldwide Hill and Knowlton network. Hill and Knowlton, Inc., headquartered in New York City, is the leading

international public relations and public affairs counseling firm with 65 offices in 24 countries. Its parent company, WPP Group plc, is one of the world's largest advertising and marketing services companies.

CONTACT: Joe Grillo of Hill and Knowlton/New England, 617-894-3100 or Bob Stone of Hill and Knowlton/New York City, 212-697-5600

-30- 2273

#90334p9829 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Visa U.S.A. announced today that it has established a temporary moratorium on eligibility for membership in the Visa association by financial institutions owned by nonbanking companies.

Visa said the moratorium, which applies only to new applicants owned by nonbanks, was established as a prudent measure while the company continues its ongoing review of Visa membership eligibility in general.

Visa has been examining its general membership requirements in light of the significant changes that have taken place in the legal and regulatory environment governing the banking industry over the past few years. The company said the purpose of the review is to determine whether any changes of its regulations are needed to protect the value of the Visa system for its members and ensure that investments made by its current members in building that system are appropriately recognized.

Visa said that, in order to provide sufficient time to complete its review of membership eligibility, the moratorium on membership in Visa by financial institutions owned by nonbanks will be in effect through June 4, 1991. Visa noted that the moratorium also applies to the acquisition of an existing member by a nonbanking organization. With respect to ownership transfers, any institution which would not be eligible to join Visa directly would be precluded under the temporary moratorium from joining indirectly through an acquisition, unless the acquisition is approved by the Visa U.S.A. board of directors, the company said.

Visa is the world's largest consumer payment system with more than 240 million cards issued, including over 130 million in the U.S.

CONTACT: David Brancoli of Visa U.S.A., 415-570-3830

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#90334p9831 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOKLYN, NY (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Supreme Equipment & Systems Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SEQP), a manufacturer of filing cabinets and storage systems, "continues to slash costs, primarily in selling and manufacturing overhead, and therefore reduced first quarter operating loss by 80 percent and the net

loss by almost half on a 17 percent decline in sales," Martin Frederick, president, reported today. "We are close to achieving our goal of breaking even on lower revenues, and in fact October was marginally profitable. The cost reduction program, however, will continue," he said.

Frederick pointed out that "cost of goods sold was reduced to 69.8 percent in the first quarter against 71.4 percent in the comparable period the year before, and selling and administrative expense declined to 31.4 percent from 33.7 percent, saving the company $590,000 in this critical category alone. Labor costs remained constant, but interest expense increased 12 percent to $222,000, due to a higher average interest rate," he said.

For the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990 net sales declined 17 percent to $6,389,000 from $7,703,000. A deficit of $314,000, equal to $.29 per share, was incurred, against a deficit of $589,000 or $.55 per share in the comparable quarter a year ago. The company's operating loss was reduced 80 percent to $75,000 from $394,000 in the same period the year before. The average number of shares of common stock outstanding in each period was 1,072,632.

SUPREME EQUIPMENT & SYSTEMS CORPORATION
Statements of Income
(Unaudited)

Three Months ended Oct. 31;	1990	1989
Net sales	$6,389,000	$7,703,000
Operating loss	(75,000)	(394,000)
Loss before taxes	(314,000)	(589,000)
Provision for income taxes	--	--
Net loss	(314,000)	(589,000)
Loss per share	(.29)	(.55)
Average no. of shares of common stock outstanding	1,072,632	1,072,632

CONTACT: Allan Fox, chairman of Supreme Equipment, 718-965-0100, or The Wall Street Group, 212-344-9131, for Supreme Equipment

-30- 2425
#90334p9832 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPOKANE, WA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Key Tronic Corp. (NASDAQ: KTCC), the Spokane-based manufacturer of keyboards and other computer products, has hired Casey-Johnston Sales of Newark, Calif., to distribute its Value Added Product line on the West Coast.

The line consists of a modular-design 101 or 102-key keyboard which permits the addition of one or more automatic identification options for use in point-of-capture environments. Data capture options include a bar code wand, bar code badge reader, magnetic stripe reader and laser gun.

Casey-Johnston, which operates four sales offices on the West Coast, will market Key Tronic's Value Added products in Washington, Oregon, California, Arizona and Nevada. The company specializes in supplying systems solutions to a wide variety of customers.

Casey-Johnston Sales has served Key Tronic as an independent representative in the OEM keyboard market for 20 years. They also distribute Key Tronic's Professional Series line of products in the retail market.

"Resellers with an impeccable track record that span more than two decades are rare," said Steve Edison, director of marketing for Key Tronic's Value Added Products Division. "The sales and customer service staff at Casey-Johnston have consistently demonstrated their ability to match customer requirements with the right Key Tronic product."

Casey-Johnston's confidence in Key Tronic products is equally high. "Many of our customers are looking for a flexible, cost-efficient way to add auto ID function to their systems," said John Francis, OEM Sales Manager for Casey Johnston Sales. "Key Tronic products are the most logical solution."

Casey-Johnston's headquarters is located at 37300 Central Court in Newark, Calif. Their phone number is 415-745-9991.

Key Tronic is a publicly held corporation, traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol KTCC.

CONTACT: Steve Edison of Key Tronic Corp., 509-927-5242

-30- 2134

#90334p9834 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc., or CRIIMI MAE (NYSE: CMM), today announced the record date for the special meeting of CRIIMI MAE shareholders to vote on a proposal to increase the authorized common stock of CRIIMI MAE and to authorize the issuance of common stock in connection with the proposed acquisition of four insured mortgage funds sponsored by Integrated Resources, Inc.

The record date for investors entitled to vote at the special meeting is Dec. 13. CRIIMI MAE expects to begin mailing proxy information to investors on Dec. 17. CRIIMI MAE set no specific date for the special meeting.

CONTACT: James T. Pastore, 301-231-0323, or Susan Bressler, 301-468-0120, both of CRIIMI MAE

-30- 909

#90334p9836 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVERPOOL, NY (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Fay's Incorporated (NYSE: FAY), today announced the election of Daniel J. O'Leary to the offices of president and chief operating officer of the company. He replaces Lawrence J. Rose, who resigned in late October.

O'Leary, 43-years old, had been serving as the company's executive vice president responsible for the company's corporate services area. He joined Fay's in 1987 as vice president - finance and chief financial officer. He has also been a member of the company's board of directors since 1987.

While executive vice president, the heads of the company's finance, real estate, training, store planning, loss prevention, and personnel departments reported to O'Leary.

Prior to joining Fay's, O'Leary was associated with the national accounting firm of Touche Ross & Co., where he served as the partner-in-charge of the firm's Columbus, Ohio office. Prior to heading the Columbus office, O'Leary held the position of director of audit operations in the firm's Rochester, N.Y. office. During his tenure in Rochester, O'Leary was the supervising partner on Fay's independent year-end audit.

Commenting on O'Leary's appointment, Henry A. Panasci, Jr., chairman of the board of Fay's, stated "Mr. O'Leary possesses the strong executive and financial experience necessary to assume the responsibilities of president and chief operating officer.

"O'Leary's background will complement the merchandising and marketing expertise of the heads of the company's three operating divisions. He will play a key leadership role in achieving our goals for increasing shareholder value and profitability in the 1990s."

Since the beginning of the fiscal year, Fay's has opened or acquired 18 drug stores, two Wheels Discount Auto Supply Stores and eight Paper Cutter Stores. During the year, one drug store was closed. Fay's currently operates 191 drug stores, 26 Wheels Discount Auto Supply Stores and 25 Paper Cutter Stores.

CONTACT: Henry A. Panasci, Jr., chairman of the board of Fay's Incorporated, (315) 451-8000.

-30- 2309

#90334p9837 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, Va. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobil Corporation (NYSE: MOB) announced today that Mobil Exploration Dominican Inc., an affiliate, has signed an agreement with the government of the Dominican Republic to explore for hydrocarbons in a 5.6 million-acre onshore and offshore concession area in the southern region of the Dominican Republic.

The signing of this agreement culminates negotiations which began in March 1989. The agreement commits Mobil to perform geological and geophyc?al field work and includes gathering, processing and interpreting 1,500 kilometers of seismic data during the initial two years. The focus of this exploration work will be to evaluate the hydrocarbon potential, both onshore and offshore, in the Azua and San Pedro basins.

During the initial two-year term of the contract, Mobil will spend about $3 million for the concession rights and geological and geophysical data. If the analysis of the data is encouraging, test wells and additional seismic survey work may be undertaken. Throughout each phase of the exploration program, Mobil will assume 100 percent of the investment risk.

CONTACT: John Lord of Mobil, 703-846-2500

-30- 1360

#90334p9838 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Tulsa-based Oneok Inc. (NYSE: OKE) and Forest Oil Corp. of Denver today announced settlement of a gas pricing dispute pending since 1987 in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. The pricing dispute involves two natural gas wells in Caddo County, Oklahoma.

Spokespersons emphasized that today's settlement does not affect two separate take-or-pay lawsuits involving both companies filed in State District Court in Caddo County, one of which is on appeal to the Oklahoma Supreme Court.

In the case on appeal Forest received a jury verdict for $49,800,000 plus attorneys' fees, court costs and pre-judgment interest of $2,500,000. Oneok posted a $62,300,000 cash deposit to cover the jury award of $52,300,000 plus post-judgment interest of $10 million pending the appeal. The second take-or-pay lawsuit is pending in the Caddo County Court. The terms of today's settlement were not disclosed.

CONTACT: Weldon Watson, Walt Radmilovich, or Perry Wimpey, all of Oneok Inc., (918) 588-7000.

-30- 1242

#90334p9839 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FL. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc. (NYSE: HBJ) announces the declaration on Nov. 30, 1990 of the regular quarterly dividend on the company's 12 percent Preferred Stock. The record date for payment of the dividend is Dec. 7, 1990, and the dividend will be paid on Dec. 31, 1990.

The quarterly dividend (which amounts to 40.5 cents per share) has been computed on the $13.50 liquidation value of the 12 percent Preferred Stock and will be paid in 12 percent Preferred Stock at the rate of one share for each $13.50 of the amount of dividend paid. Fractional shares will be paid in cash.

CONTACT: C. Anson Franklin, vice president of Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc.
407-345-3010

-30- 885

#90334p9844 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEXINGTON, MASS (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Raytheon Company's United Engineers & Constructors subsidiary announced today that it has won a contract for work on Bethlehem Steel Corporation (NYSE: BS) galvanized coating line facilities in Indiana and Maryland.

United Engineers & Constructors (UE&C) is providing engineering, detailed design, specifications, bid package handling and project scheduling for a 450,000 ton-per-year galvanizing and galvanneal line at Burns Harbor, Ind., and a 260,000 ton-per-year galvanizing and Galvalume line in Sparrows Point, Md.

Construction is expected to begin in late 1990 at Sparrows Point and in the first quarter of 1991 at Burns Harbor. On the two coating lines, which have a combined capital cost of about $300 million, operations are scheduled to begin in late 1992 at Sparrows Point and in the first quarter of 1993 at Burns Harbor.

United Engineers & Constructors International provides engineering, construction, maintenance and environmental services through its subsidiaries to a wide range of industries across the United States and abroad. Units of the company employ about 6,000 professional and support people worldwide.

Raytheon Company (NYSE: RTN), headquartered in Lexington, Mass., is active in electronics, aviation, appliances, industry and environmental services, publishing and construction. It had 1989 sales of $8.8 billion and employs 77,000 worldwide.

CONTACT: Ed Bassett of Raytheon Company, 617-860-2861

-30- 1677

#90334p9850 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Swan Brewery Company Limited ("Swan") today announced that it has paid in full all principal and accrued interest thereon owing under the indenture relating to Swan's 14-7/8 percent limited subordination debentures due Dec. 15, 1998. Payment was effected by depositing funds with United States Trust Company of New York ("U.S. Trust"), the trustee

under the indenture, in response to certain notices of default and acceleration from U.S. Trust. The outstanding principal amount of the debentures was $121,500,000.

Holders of the debentures are advised to contact U.S. Trust for payment on account of the debentures. Under the indenture, U.S. Trust may fix a record date and payment date for payment out to debentureholders.

Swan, based in Perth, Western Australia, is engaged in the brewing and sale of beer in Western Australia.

CONTACT: G.G. Hill, 011-612-221-1066, or P.M. Smith, 011-612-234-2200, of Swan Brewery

-30- 1139

#90334p9851 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - National Brewing Holdings Limited announced today that it has refinanced its external debt, completing the final leg of the establishment and restructuring of the joint venture between Lion Nathan Ltd. and Bell Resources Ltd.

The funds from the new A$925 million seven-year facility were used to repay existing borrowings, arranged by Bond Corporation, which were domiciled primarily in U.S. dollars and deutsch marks. This severs the last remaining direct association between National Brewing Holdings and the previous owners, Bond Corporation. Also, the US$121.5 million Swan debentures have been repaid and 98.5 percent of the US$510 million BBH bonds have been purchased.

The syndicate of banks which provided the new facility of A$925 million is made up of the National Australia Bank Ltd., Toronto Dominion Australia Ltd., the Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Ltd., and State Bank of New South Wales. The National Australia Bank Ltd. will be the agent for the new syndicate.

CONTACT: G.G. Hill, chairman, 02-221-1066, or P.M. Smith, 02-234-2200, both of National Brewing Holdings, in Sydney.

-30- 1340

#90334p9853 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the Illinois International Port District today announced the early call of its outstanding Series 1955 port and terminal facilities revenue bonds due July 1, 1995 for purposes of redemption. The announcement was made today by Board Chairman John J. Serpico.

Payment of the bonds at full face value plus interest due will be made Dec. 31

4-1/2 years ahead of schedule. Presently, outstanding bonds total $10,180,000. Payment will be made to the Continental Bank, bond trustees, who will make distribution to the bondholders.

The bonds were issued July 1, 1955, following authorization by the Illinois General Assembly. The legislation provided for financing to $100 million, but the port district limited the offering to $24 million.

Proceeds from the sale of the bonds were used for the construction of a deep-water turning basin and terminal facilities at Lake Calumet Harbor. These included three dock-side transit sheds, a backup warehouse, two 6,100,000-bushel grain elevators, an administration building and 6,000 feet of steel-faced docks.

CONTACT: John Gavin of the Illinois International Port District, 312-646-4400

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DALLAS, (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwest Realty Ltd. (AMEX: SWL) announced that a preferred distribution for the first quarter of 1991 of 45 cents will be made about May 15, 1991. The distribution rate is 15 cents per share per month and will be made to monthly holders of record of preferred shares (preferred depositary receipts) as of the first business day of January, February and March, 1991.

CONTACT: John S. Schneider of Southwest Realty Ltd., 214-369-1995

-30- 631

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Norcen Energy Resources Limited plans to resume production over the next two weeks from 18 oil wells in the Lubicon Lake area of northern Alberta which have been shut-in since Nov. 30, 1989. The Lubicon Indian Band and the federal and Alberta governments have been advised of Norcen's decision. The wells, operated by Norcen, were shut-in in response to the Lubicon Band's stated intention to dismantle operating wells on ''unceded Lubicon territory'' owned by Petro-Canada or in which Petro-Canada has an interest. The Band had said the action was taken in order to get a resumption of stalled land claim negotiations.

Barry D. Cochrane, Norcen's Executive Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer, said ''the decision was made because the shut-in wells are not helping anyone - the Band and both levels of government have said the shut-in wells, which are outside designated reservation lands, are having no impact on the negotiations which are stalled once more.''

Prior to being shut-in, production from the wells averaged 1,230 barrels of

oil per day. Estimated foregone revenues since November 30, 1989 to date are $10.8 million, including $2.1 million in provincial royalties. Norcen's share of the shut-in daily production is 450 barrels and $3.2 million in foregone revenues.

CONTACT: Ian Seph of Norcen Energy Resources Limited, 403-231-0106

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RICHMOND, VA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Ethyl Corporation (NYSE: EY) announced today that it completed the sale of its wholly owned subsidiary, Hardwicke Chemical Company, to MTM Plc of Cleveland, England, for approximately $112 million. The sale resulted in an after-tax gain of about $51 million, or 43 cents per share, which will be reported in Ethyl's fourth-quarter results.

Located in Elgin, S.C., Hardwicke Chemical produces synthetic pyrethroid agricultural intermediates and fine chemicals. Revenues for 1989 were approximately $50 million, and revenues for the eleven months through November 30, 1990, were about $44 million. Ethyl said it decided to sell the subsidiary in order to concentrate on other specialty chemicals.

Ethyl also announced that it will take an after-tax charge against fourth-quarter earnings of about $42 million, or 36 cents per share. About $32 million of the charge includes the write-off of goodwill, most of which results from the recent decision by Ethyl's Whitby Pharmaceutical subsidiary to concentrate and redirect its research and development efforts. The charge also reflects a provision to cover the cost of relocating and consolidating Whitby's research and administrative functions in Richmond. In addition, the charge covers provisions for environmental remediation projects at certain chemical facilities.

Ethyl is a Fortune-500 company based in Richmond, Va. The company makes and markets performance chemicals for the petroleum and plastics industries as well as high-technology chemicals and pharmaceuticals. Ethyl also owns First Colony Life Insuracne Company of Lynchburg, Va.

CONTACT: A. Prescott Rowe, 804-788-5413, or Robert P. Buford IV, 804-788-5494 both of Ethyl Corporation

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PITTSBURGH (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Integra Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: ITGR), citing a deterioration in its commercial real estate portfolio largely attributable to the weakening economy, today announced a $55 million provision for possible loan losses during the fourth quarter.

Of that amount, approximately $25 million will cover the immediate charge-off of certain non-performing loans and the remaining $30 million will be used to increase the reserve for possible loan losses.

As a result of the action, approved today by the company's board of directors, Integra expects to post a loss for the quarter in the approximate range of $.85 to $.90 per share. Based on reported year-to-date earnings as of Sept. 30 1990, of $2.13, the company is projecting 1990 year-end earnings in the range of $1.20 to $1.30 per share. (Reported 1989 earnings per share were $1.42, including a $.68 loss in the fourth quarter.)

In announcing the board's action, William F. Roemer, president and chief executive officer, cited two key factors guiding the board's decision. "First, our established, aggressive attitude of closely monitoring the quality of our assets. And second, our determination to comply fully with more stringent regulatory criteria regarding the classsification of non-performing real estate loans.

"Most of the problem loans originated with our largest commercial lender, Union National Bank. While their deterioration reached serious levels only recently, they were made prior to the formation of Integra," Roemer said. "The fact that none of these loans was recorded after mid-1988 indicates Integra's credit quality controls are operating well. By charging off these loans and increasing our reserves now, we continue to aggressively work through the credit quality problems besetting us and our industry," he concluded.

With today's action, it is estimated that the company's loan loss reserve to outstanding loans will move from 1.7 percent on Sept. 30 to approximately 2.4 percent on Dec. 31. In addition, the loan loss reserve coverage likely will increase from 91 percent of non-performing loans at Sept. 30 to 125 percent at Dec. 31. However, as a result of the fourth quarter net addition of $30 million in non-performing assets, the ratio of non-performing assets to outstanding loans is expected to increase from 2.2 percent at Sept. 30 to around 2.9 percent at year-end.

Integra remains a strong company with capital adequacy ratios in excess of industry averages. The company reported an equity-to-asset ratio of more than 7 percent at Sept. 30. After today's announced action, the ratio is expected to be 6.5 percent. It is anticipated that the year-end risk-based capital ratio will approximate 12 percent, substantially higher than the proposed required regulatory minimum of 8 percent.

Integra is the parent company of seven banks, operating 226 offices in 22 counties of western Pennsylvania, including First National Bank of Washington, First Seneca Bank, Gallatin National Bank, Keystone National Bank, Pennbank and Union National Bank.

CONTACT: Edward H. Sehon of Integra Financial Corp., 412-644-8073, or home at

412-571-0126

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Carolinas Capital Investment Corporation is Managing General Partner of Carolinas Capital Limited Partnership, which is a venture capital partnership formed principally to provide equity and mezzanine debt to small and mid-sized companies headquartered in North and South Carolina.

The Investment Corporation's primary principals are H. Keith Brunnemer, Jr., who serves as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, and Edward S. Goode, who serves as President and Chief Operating Officer.

The Partnership is also served by an Advisory Committee which consists of Larry J. Dagenhart, Chairman of the Executive Committee at Smith Helms Mulliss & Moore; Seddon (Rusty) Goode, Jr., President and Director of University Research Park; Herman B. McManaway, Jr., former President of Ruddick Investment Corporation; Joseph Vitale, former President and majority shareholder of Perfect Fit Enterprises; George C. Williams, Chairman of Allied Capital Corporation in Washington, D.C., and Mr. E.F. Bloch, private investor residing in Florida.

CONTACT: Edward S. Goode, Carolinas Capital Investment Corporation, 704-338-7111

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WASHINGTON, (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed Edison Federal Savings and Loan Association, New York, in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, Edison Federal Savings Association, will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift and will operate in conservatorship under the oversight of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The takeover did not result in any interruption of Edison Federal's day-to-day operations. The institution and its three branches will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

OTS initiated the action because Edison Federal was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition in that it had insufficient capital with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

Edison Federal's condition is due primarily to poor management, inadequate loan underwriting and inattention to interest rate risk. The institution reported operating losses for seven consecutive quarters ending Sept. 30, 1990 chiefly as a result of high overhead costs and delinquent or non-performing home mortgage loans.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, 14.6 percent of Edison's total mortgage loan portfolio was delinquent, and losses on these loans will likely continue. Most of the loans were acquired through mortgage brokers and not originated by the thrift. The institution was ordered by regulators in August 1989 to stop buying brokered loans.

As of Sept. 30, 1990 Edison Federal reported assets of $140.1 million, liabilities of $139.6 million and tangible capital of $508,000 for a tangible capital-to-assets ratio of 0.36 percent.

CONTACT: Roy Jensen, 201-413-7501, or Janis Smith, 202-906-6677, both of the Office of Thrift Supervision

-30- 2163

#90334p9877 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, OR (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of NIKE Inc. (NASDAQ: NIKE, PSE: NKE) today declared a cash dividend of 14 cents ($0.14) per share on its outstanding Class B Common Stock and Class A Common Stock payable Jan. 4, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 14. This is a 40 percent increase over the previous quarterly rate of $0.10 per share.

"This increase is in keeping with our guideline of reviewing the dividend at the November board of directors meeting," said NIKE Chief Executive Officer Philip H. Knight, "and declaring an annual dividend in the range of 15 percent to 25 percent of the trailing 12 month earnings."

CONTACT: George Porter of NIKE Inc., 503-671-6453

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#90334p9880 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Court of Appeals for the 1st Circuit has ruled in favor of The Boston Globe in a case deciding the issue of post-trial access to a list of jurors in a criminal case.

In a precedent-setting opinion, the court ruled a federal judge cannot withhold a jury list from the public after a trial unless the judge determines the jurors are at special risk of personal harm. It is the first ruling by a federal appeals court on the issue of post-trial access.

The panel of three judges in a 27-page decision said that to withhold the names of jurors from the public and the news media contradicts the democratic principle of an open judicial process. Anonymity may be acceptable in exceptional cases, said the judges, but "the prospect of criminal justice being routinely meted out by unknown persons does not comport with democratic values of accountability and openness."

"In a democracy," they said, "a criminal trial should not, as a rule, be decided by anonymous persons."

The Globe had sued U.S. District Court Judge Edward F. Harrington who denied access to a jury list in a trial earlier this year of a prominent Boston defense attorney and several others accused of conspiracy to conceal illegal drug profits.

Harrington denied a reporter access to the list after the trial because the jurors asked that their names not be released and because interviews of jurors "for the sole purpose of exploiting the content of their deliberations" would "demean the administration of justice."

The attorney was acquitted by Harrington prior to jury deliberations in a trial that later found two others guilty of conspiracy to defraud the U.S. The Globe had hoped to question the jurors on their reaction to the judge's directed verdict of acquittal.

After the U.S. Attorney's office said it agreed with the Globe's motion, Harrington was represented by Harvard Law School Professor and former U.S. Solicitor General Charles Fried. Attorney E. Susan Garsh of Bingham Dana & Gould argued the case for the Globe.

The judges said jurors retain the right not to talk to the media or public when asked about their deliberations, but they stressed the jurors' duty to the process of criminal justice outweighs any desire they might have to maintain privacy.

CONTACT: Richard P. Gulla of The Boston Globe, 617-929-3288

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#90334p9886 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MUNCIE, IN (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Ball Corporation (NYSE: BLL) today completed acquisition of the remaining 50 percent interest in its Ball-InCon Glass Packaging Corp. joint venture from Holland-American Investment Corporation.

Purchase price for the acquisition was approximately $65 million, of which $50 million was in the form of preferred stock, with the remainder in cash. Ball-InCon, which is headquartered in Muncie, will be operated as a subsidiary

of Ball Corporation.

Ball-InCon was formed in May 1987 and acquired the commercial glass container manufacturing assets of Ball and InCon Packaging. It is the third largest domestic manufacturer of glass containers. Its commercial glass container and glass mould business serves the food, juice, liquor, wine and cosmetics industries. Sales in fiscal 1990 are expected to be approximately $562 million, with net income up substantially over the 1989 level. Ball-InCon employs approximately 5,000 people.

Manufacturing facilities are located in Asheville and Henderson, N.C.; Carteret, N.J.; Dolton and Lincoln, Ill.; El Monte and Madera, Calif.; Laurens S.C.; Okmulgee, Okla.; Port Allegany and Washington, Pa.; Ruston, La.; and Seattle, Wash.

Ball Corporation manufactured glass containers from 1882 until 1987, and while a 50 percent owner of the joint venture provided supporting staff services and participated in the management of the merged operations. "Glass container manufacturing and marketing is an important part of our company's culture," Ringoen said, "and we all welcome Ball-InCon and its excellent people to the Ball organization as a 100 percent-owned business. I believe this step demonstrates our increased commitment to being a broadly based packaging company."

Ringoen said that during the joint venture period, Ball did not consolidate sales of Ball-InCon, but used the equity method of accounting, recording its share of after tax results. In the future, the sales and earnings of Ball-InCon will be included with those of Ball Corporation.

Ball Corporation manufactures and markets packaging, industrial and consumer products, and provides aerospace systems and professional services to the federal sector. The company participates in the Canadian packaging market through a joint venture company, Ball Packaging Products Canada, Inc.

CONTACT: Contact Larry Miller, 317-747-6170, or after hours at 317-286-5856; or Brad Wilks, 317-747-6165, or after hours at 317-282-6198 317-282-6198; both of Ball Corporation

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#90334p9893 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOWELL, N.J. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Valley Corp., a major developer of residential homes, announced today through Executive Vice President Ross Wishnick that it has joined forces with Check-Mate Inc. in a program to collect toys for underprivileged children.

Check-Mate Inc., which began operating in 1979, is designated official community action agency for Monmouth County. Union Valley has set up drop-off

boxes at the sales centers of all its current residential communities, as well as its corporate headquarters. Individuals may drop off unwrapped toys at any of the locations up to Dec. 16.

On Dec. 21, a luncheon will be sponsored for 300 children who will receive the donated toys.

Union Valley communities are Whittingham, Winding Ways, Concordia, Brewer's Mills, Whiting Station, Pine Ridge South and Francis Mills.

For information on locations and hours, contributors may call 201-905-9000, ext. 668.

CONTACT: Gene K. Kolber, president of Kolber Marketing, 215-657-4600, or 609-823-7757

-30- 1192

#90334p9895 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOWELL, N.J. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Executive Vice President Ross Wishnick of Union Valley Corp., a major New Jersey developer of residential homes, announced today that corporate headquarters in Howell will serve as a drop-off point for gifts to be sent to all U.S. troops serving in Saudi Arabia.

The military has indicated the gifts the troops are most interested in are as follows:

1. Tasteful videos
2. Music cassettes
3. Games/card games
4. Puzzles (500 or more pieces)
5. Model kits
6. Small sport equipment

Collection boxes have been set up in the lunchroom at Union Valley headquarters, 2209 Route 9, Howell. If contributors have any questions, they may call Union Valley at 201-905-9000, ext. 668.

CONTACT: Gene K. Kolber, president of Kolber Marketing, 215-657-4600, or 609-823-7757

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#90334p9901 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PROVIDENCE, RI (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Citizens Financial Group, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, today announced its financial results for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, and the following statements regarding the results. I. A Reasonable Performance Under Adverse

Conditions

Citizens Financial Group, Inc. ("Citizens") became a wholly owned subsidiary of The Royal Bank of Scotland plc in December 1988. Citizens changed its fiscal year-end to that of its parent (Sept. 30) and the figures contained in this release relate to the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, with the 12-month period ended Sept. 30, 1989, as comparison. Financial highlights for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990 include the following:

-- Net income	$ 13.9 million
-- Total assets at Sept. 30, 1990	$3,126 million
-- Stockholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990	$ 312 million
-- Equity to assets	9.99 percent
-- Return on average assets	0.44 percent
-- Non-performing loans and leases to total loans and leases	2.12 percent

CONTACT: Kenneth E. Hogberg, 401-456-7570, or Grahame T. Whitehead, 401-456-7849; both of Citizens Financial Group, Inc.

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#90334p9904 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM), issued the following debenture announcement:

Date of Offering: Dec. 5, 1990
Issue Date: Dec. 10, 1990 Term: 7 years
Callable on or after: 12/10/94 Amount (millions): $1,000
Maturity Date: 12/10/97 Date of First Interest Payment (then semi-annually): 6/10/91 Date interest rates and prices will be announced: Dec. 4, 1990

The debentures of Dec. 10, 1997, are redeemable on or after Dec. 10, 1994. The debentures are redeemable in whole or in part at the option of the corporation at any time (and from time to time) on or after the initial redemption date at a redemption price of 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption.

The net proceeds of this offering will be used to redeem in part the $200,000,000 of Series SM-1990-C, 11.80 percent debentures and the $1,000,000,000 of Series SM-1990-M, 8.40 percent debentures due Dec. 10, 1990.

Debentures will be issued in book-entry form only. The minimum purchase is $10,000 and multiples of $5,000 thereafter. The offering is being made through Fannie Mae's Senior Vice President - Finance and Treasurer, Gary L. Perlin, and Vice President and Assistant Treasurer, Linda K. Knight, 3900

Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016, assisted by a nationwide selling group of recognized securities dealers.

The issues that are offered on Dec. 5, 1990, will be free to trade at 8:20 a.m. EST.

CONTACT: Tom Marder of Fannie Mae, 202-752-7608

-30- 1814

#90334p9909 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Logicon Inc. (NYSE: LGN) announced that the board of directors, at a regularly scheduled meeting today, declared a quarterly cash dividend on the company's common stock of nine cents per share.

Stockholders of record as of Dec. 20, 1990, will receive the dividend, which will be paid on Jan. 8, 1991.

Logicon is a leader in providing advanced technology systems and services to support national security, civil and industrial needs.

CONTACT: John C. Tuffy of Logicon Inc., 213-373-0220, ext. 260

-30- 715

#90334p9913 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEARWATER, FL (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Fortune Financial Group, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FORF) have scheduled the annual meeting of stockholders for 3 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17, 1991.

The meeting will be held in Fortune Center, the corporation's headquarters, at 16120 U.S. Highway 19 North, Clearwater, Fla.

Proxy material will be mailed in mid-December to stockholders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 10. The corporation's bylaws require that stockholders who wish to make nominations for directors or to bring business up for a vote at the meeting must notify the corporation in writing not later than Dec. 18.

Stockholders will elect three directors for three-year terms. Nominated by the board are John R. Torell III, Fortune Financial chairman of the board; John W. Veghte, and Ezra K. Zilkha. All are current directors.

In addition, shareholders will vote on approval of new stock option and stock bonus plans and on ratification of KPMG Peat Marwick as the company's independent auditors.

Fortune Financial is a holding company which controls Fortune Savings Bank, which has $3 billion in assets and 46 branches in Florida. The common stock of Fortune Financial is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "FORF."

CONTACT: Tom Myers of Fortune Financial Group, Inc., 813-538-1114

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#90334p9916 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) said today it will reduce by an overall average of 29 percent the rates its Massachusetts customers pay for in-state long distance calling effective Dec. 1.

The rate cut affects MCI's complete line of residential and business long distance products offered to Massachusetts customers.

"MCI remains committed to passing on to its customers reductions in costs from the local telephone company as well as savings from improvements in operating our network," explained Jonathan Crane, MCI's Eastern Division president. "Our customers in Massachusetts can continue to enjoy MCI's quality long distance services at rates lower than AT&T."

MCI intrastate rates vary by product, time of day and usage volume. The rate reduction does not affect prices for interstate long distance calling.

MCI's products affected by the price reduction include: -- MCI Dial 1 -- the direct dial long distance service for residential and small business users.

-- MCI Prism 1 -- a dedicated access service for mid-size businesses. -- MCI Prism Plus -- the direct dial long distance service with WATS savings for mid-size businesses.

-- MCI Vision -- the new feature-rich long distance service for businesses.

-- MCI Vnet -- a virtual private network service which provides advanced long distance capabilities for large businesses.

-- MCI 800 Service -- for inbound intrastate calls. MCI, the nation's second largest long distance company, reported 1989 revenue of nearly $6.5 billion. The company's long distance offerings allow customers to dial direct anywhere in the United States and to 171 foreign countries.

CONTACT: Sue Cushing, 914-933-6191, or Frank J. Walter, 914-933-6292, both of MCI Communications Corporation, Eastern Division

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#90334p9917 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The LVI Group Inc. (NYSE: LVI) today announced that it has reached an agreement in principle with the representatives of an informal committee formed to represent the holders of its outstanding publicly held notes and debentures and with the company's principal institutional lender regarding a proposed restructuring of the company's outstanding debt.

Under the agreement in principle, the company's outstanding indebtedness would be reduced from approximately $100 million to approximately $25 million and cash interest payments on the restructured debt would only be payable out of the company's available cash flow for the first two years.

Immediately prior to consummation of the restructuring, two of the company's non-core businesses (Mobile Pulley and Machine Works and Riverside Manufacturing), together with $4 million face amount of investment securities and other miscellaneous assets owned by the company, would be sold or otherwise applied to extinguish outstanding institutional debt.

Upon consummation of the restructuring, participating debtholders would own approximately 90 percent of the company's outstanding equity securities. Upon consummation of the proposed restructuring, the company's pro forma net worth would be approximately $18 million.

The agreement in principle is, among other things, conditioned upon the company's outstanding preferred stock being reclassified into common stock. The company intends promptly to seek an agreement in principle for such a reclassification from representatives of an informal committee of holders of the preferred stock.

The company's agreements in principle do not constitute binding contractual arrangements, and their consummation is subject to substantial conditions and uncertainties, including the implementation of satisfactory overhead reductions and management arrangements and obtaining a favorable vote of the company's common and preferred stockholders.

The company intends promptly to prepare and file with the SEC an amended proxy statement to solicit the necessary security holder votes. The exchange offers will be conducted on a private placement basis.

No security holder votes will be solicited and no exchange offers will be made except pursuant to a definitive proxy statement and offering circular, respectively.

CONTACT: Salvatore J. Zizza, president of LVI Group, (212) 337-6604.

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#90334p9919 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
BETHESDA, MD. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The trustees of Federal Realty Investment Trust (NYSE: FRT) declared today a regular quarterly cash dividend of 37 cents per share (indicated annual rate of $1.48). The dividend will be payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 2, 1991. This will mark the 113th consecutive quarterly dividend paid by the Trust.

Federal Realty is an equity real estate investment trust which concentrates on acquiring and renovating older shopping centers in prime locations. Trust properties are located in 10 states concentrated in the Mid-Atlantic region between the New York Metropolitan area and Richmond, Va.

CONTACT: Mary Jane Morrow, vice president, finance, Federal Realty Investment Trust, 301-652-3360

-30- 929
#90334p9923 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
DETROIT (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today said it will begin reporting vehicle sales on a monthly basis only, effective with the 1991 calendar year.

Monthly sales will be reported, as usual, on the third working day following the end of each month. For example, January sales will be reported on Feb. 4.

Previously, the company reported sales every 10 days and will continue this practice through December 1990.

The 10-day report is a relic of the 1940s War Control Board era that serves no major purpose that isn't covered by a monthly report. Many import companies report only monthly, forcing statisticians to resort to estimates for 10-day reports, which reduces the accuracy and value of the information.

More importantly, reporting monthly, instead of every 10 days, reduces by two-thirds a repetitious workload on Chrysler's staff, which now can devote the time and resources to more productive projects. This move also will reduce costs in line with Chrysler's $2.5 billion cost reduction program.

CONTACT: Tom Jakobowski or Tom Houston of Chrysler, 313-956-2894

-30- 1289
#90334p9926 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
TEL AVIV, ISRAEL (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Aryt Optronics Industries Ltd. (NASDAQ: ARYTF) today reported net earnings of $110,000 or $.02 per share for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Earlier this year, Aryt changed its fiscal year from March 31 to Dec. 31, therefore the third quarter Sept. 30,

1990 earnings reported herein compare to third quarter Dec. 31, 1989 net loss of $1,147,000 or $.23 per share on sales of $1,335,000.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Aryt reported a loss of $32,000 or $.01 per share compared to a loss of $951,000 or $.19 per share on sales of $6,441,000 for the nine months ended Dec. 31, 1989.

As a result of previously reported transactions with Geotek Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: GOTK), Aryt does not report current year's sales of its operating unit, Ophir-Aryt Optics Ltd., to be sold to Geotek. These transactions also include the investment of $4 million in Geotek stock and a $3 million loan to Geotek against a six-year convertible debenture. After the conclusion of these transactions expected in the first quarter of 1991, Aryt will own 3,916,667 shares or 35 percent, of Geotek. Conversion of Aryt's loan will increase its ownership of Geotek to approximately 41 percent.

ARYT OPTRONICS INDUSTRIES LTD.
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months		Nine Months	
Periods ended	Sept. 30 1990	Dec. 31 1989	Sept. 30 1990	Dec. 31 1989
Net sales	--	$1,335	--	$6,441
Net earns. (loss)	110	(1,147)	(32)	(951)
Earnings (loss)	.02	(.23)	(.01)	(.19)
Weighted average no. of shares outstanding	5,055	5,055	5,055	5,055

Consolidated Balance Sheet Highlights
(in thousands - unaudited)

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
Working capital	$2,831	$6,671
Marketable securities	164	2,759
Property & equipment-net	49	1,494
Long-term debt	--	533
Deferred income taxes	322	337
Minority share	--	745
Shareholders' equity	10,334	10,371

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, Inc., 212-545-8400, for Aryt

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#90334p9928 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - T2 Medical Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: TSQM) announced it has completed the acquisition of the business and assets of Extendacare Health Services, through a cash purchase transaction of $10 million plus

future cash consideration not to exceed $5 million.

The Dallas home infusion therapy company was started in 1986. The company's 1990 revenue is expected to exceed $7 million.

"T2 is very excited about acquiring one of the premier home infusion therapy companies in the southwestern United States. We plan to use this acquisition as a catalyst to rapidly expand our Texas and Southwest presence," said Thomas E. Haire, chairman of T2 Medical Inc.

T2 Medical Inc. is a leading provider of home infusion therapy in the United States. Infusion therapy is the administration to a patient of nutrients, antibiotics, and other drugs and fluids, either intravenously or through a feeding tube. T2 Medical Inc.'s headquarters are in Alpharetta, Ga.

CONTACT: Dale R. Benzine of T2 Medical, 404-442-2160

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Notice is hereby given that the board of directors of NOVA Corp. of Alberta (Toronto, Montreal, Alberta: NVA) has declared the following quarterly dividend, payable on the 15th day of February, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on the 8th day of February, 1991.

PREFERRED SHARES 9 1/8 percent series, dividend No. 24: Dividend on the outstanding 9 1/8 percent cumulative redeemable fixed/floating rate first preferred shares for the period ending Feb. 15, 1991, will be in an amount per share equal to one-quarter of 70 percent of the average of the prime rate (as defined in the provisions attaching to the 9-1/8 percent cumulative redeemable fixed/floating rate first preferred shares) in effect on each day during the three calendar months ended on the last day of January, 1991 (the "Calculation Period") multiplied by $25.00. Such dividend is estimated to be .5849375 per share, based on a prime rate of 13-3/4 percent until Nov. 22, 1990 and a Prime Rate of 13-1/4 percent thereafter. This amount may vary depending upon the actual prime rate in effect for the calculation period and further notification will be made once the actual dividend amount is determined.

CONTACT: J.S. Mustoe, of the NOVA Corp. of Alberta, 403-290-7636.

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#90334p9939 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
OKLAHOMA CITY (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Kerr-McGee Corp. (NYSE: KMG) today signed an agreement to sell its domestic offshore contract drilling fleet to Noble Drilling Corp. (NASDAQ: NDCO) of Houston for $75 million. Closing is expected in the first quarter of 1991.

This sale of l2 rigs located in the Gulf of Mexico, plus buildings and real estate in Louisiana, completes the company's withdrawal from the contract drilling business.

The domestic fleet has been operated by Transworld Drilling Co., a Kerr-McGee subsidiary, and consists of five jack-up and seven submersible rigs.

Noble Drilling will offer employment to active Transworld offshore employees plus onshore employees in New Orleans, Lafayette, La., and Houston.

CONTACT: Dow Dozier of Kerr-McGee Corp., 405-270-2877

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#90334p9941 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Colorado Interstate Gas Company has declared a regular quarterly dividend on its outstanding 5.50 percent series preferred stock.

The dividend is payable Jan. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record Dec. 15, 1990. The dividend will be $1.3750 per share.

Colorado Interstate Gas Company is an interstate natural gas pipeline subsidiary of The Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP), a Houston- based energy holding company. Coastal has consolidated assets of $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal, chemicals and independent power production.

CONTACT: W. F. Osterloh of Coastal, 713-877-6732

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#90334p9943 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Hallwood Realty Corporation, the general partner of Hallwood Realty Partners, L.P. (AMEX: HRY), announced today that it has adopted a rights plan designed to protect partnership unitholders in the event of takeover action that would deny them the full value of their investment.

Terms of the rights plan provide for a distribution of one right for each unit of Hallwood Realty Partners, L.P. to holders of record at the close of business on Dec. 10, 1990. The rights will become exercisable only in the event, with certain exceptions, an acquiring party accumulates 15 percent or more of the partnership's units, or if a party announces an offer to acquire 30 percent or more. The rights will expire on Nov. 30, 2000. Each right will entitle the holder to buy one additional unit at a price of $50. In addition,

upon the occurrence of certain events, holders of the rights will be entitled to purchase either partnership units or shares in an "acquiring entity" at half of market value.

The partnership will generally be entitled to redeem the rights at 1 cent per right at any time until the tenth day following the acquisition of a 15 percent position in its units.

Commenting on the rights plan, William L. Guzzetti, president of Hallwood Realty Corporation, said that the general partner is not aware of any hostile effort to acquire control of the partnership.

The general partner believes that the rights plan represents a sound and reasonable means of safeguarding the interests of unitholders. Guzzetti said the rights plan is similar to those adopted by a number of other companies following recent favorable rulings by courts in various jurisdictions, including the Delaware Supreme Court.

Details of the new rights plan will be outlined in a letter to be mailed to unitholders following the Dec. 10, 1990 record date.

CONTACT: James N. Fingeroth or Mary T. Conway of Kekst, 212-593-2655, for Hallwood Realty

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#90334p9947 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - John B. Baines, Chairman of the Board of Seaboard Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SEAB), announced today that Donaldson B. Lee has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Virginia Beach based thrift holding company and its subsidiary Seaboard Savings Bank, F.S.B.

Mr. Lee is a native and resident of Birmingham, Alabama and a graduate of the University of Alabama. He is a private investor who is a major stockholder in Seaboard Bancorp, Inc. and also has substantial holdings in several thrifts and thrift holding companies throughout the country. He is a director of Railroad Financial Corporation, a thrift holding company is Wichita, Kansas, and locally is a substantial stockholder in Newport News Savings Bank.

In making the announcement Mr. Baines stated, "The election of Mr. Lee with his broad based and national experience in the thrift industry will be a great asset to Seaboard."

Mr. Lee related, "I am pleased to be affiliated with a strong, well managed, and well capitalized thrift holding company in the dynamic Hampton Roads market place. I look forward to being a part of Seaboard's future growth and success."

Seaboard Bancorp, Inc. is a thrift holding company and is the parent of Seaboard Savings Bank, F.S.B. The Savings Bank provides mortgages and retail banking services principally in the Hampton Roads area of Virginia. Headquartered in Virginia Beach, Virginia, Seaboard has five offices, two in Virginia Beach, one in Chesapeake, one in Norfolk, and one in Portsmouth. Currently Seaboard Bancorp has approximately 900 stockholders and 891,184 shares of stock outstanding.

CONTACT: Clarence W. Keel, Seaboard Bancorp, Inc., 804-490-3181

-30- 1912

#90334p9948 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDMONTON, ALBERTA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Numac Oil & Gas Ltd. (Toronto: NMC) today announced that on Dec. 1, 1990 it will acquire 1,214,645 common shares of Giant Reef Petroleums Ltd. (Vancouver: GRP) pursuant to its offer and take-over bid circular dated Oct. 24, 1990 and, as a result, will hold 4,209,996 common shares of Giant Reef, representing approximately 99 percent of its issued and outstanding common shares. Numac intends to acquire the remaining common shares of Giant Reef and will be exercising its compulsory acquisition rights under the Business Corporations Act (Alberta) to acquire the shares of Giant Reef not tendered under the offer.

CONTACT: Dale J. Hohm, VP and treasurer of Numac Oil & Gas Ltd., 403-423-1718

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#90334p9952 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, NJ (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert V. Tarantino, president of Dataram Corp. (AMEX: DTM) announced today that the board of directors approved an open market repurchase plan.

Up to 100,000 shares of Dataram common stock may be repurchased from time to time either on the American Stock Exchange or through block purchases. Tarantino said that the board of directors believes that, given the current trading prices of Dataram common stock, such repurchases would be of long term benefit to the remaining shareholders of the corporation.

Tarantino also announced that Thomas A. Majewski was elected to the board of directors. Majewski currently is a principal in Walden Inc. a computer consulting and technologies venture capital firm. Tarantino expressed his appreciation that Majewski had agreed to serve and stated that he will be an important contributor to the direction of the company.

CONTACT: Robert V. Tarantino, president & CEO of Dataram, 609-799-0071

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#90334p9954 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALTON, GA. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - CrownAmerica, Inc. (NASDAQ: CRNA), a major processor of filament yarn for domestic and international carpet manufacturers, has completed the sale of its Valdosta plant and certain equipment to Queen Carpet.

Lane Hamilton, president of CrownAmerica, said the sale would result in an after-tax gain of approximately $1,000,000 for fiscal 1991.

In a related announcement, CrownAmerica officials said construction to double the size and capacity of its Dalton, Georgia plant is on schedule with compeltion set for March 1991. The expansion will add 51,000 square feet, bringing total square footage to 110,000 square feet. Hamilton said the total capital expenditure for plant and equipment will amount to approximately $4,000,000.

"Our construction program at Dalton will, in effect, increase production capacity two-fold," Hamilton said. "This will give us more capacity than previously existed with both Georgia plants."

Hamilton reiterated the Company's position to consolidate its U.S. operations at a single location.

"This consolidation will provide us with both significant labor and freight savings, as well as improved economies of scale. The consolidation is in keeping with our commitment to maintain the highest quality standards of Texture-Tex," Hamilton noted. He added that the total work force at Dalton will be increased from 100 to 135 employees.

CrownAmerica, Inc. is engaged chiefly in the processing of heat-set filament yarn for the carpet industry through its Texture-Tex division. In addition to the Dalton plant, the Company has an overseas facility near Heerlen in The Netherlands.

CONTACT: Lane Hamilton, CrownAmerica, Inc., 404-278-1422

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#90334p9956 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW ORLEANS (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Vincent J. Liuzza Jr., chairman and president of Cucos Inc. (NASDAQ: CUCO) announced today that revenues and earnings increased for the company's first quarter ended Oct. 1.

Revenues advanced 15.6 percent to $4,586,182 from $3,965,561, and earnings increased 8.1 percent to $102,056 from $94,367 recorded during the comparable prior year quarter.

Sales of food and beverages during the current quarter increased to $4,174,808 up 14.9 percent, compared to $3,633,967 achieved for the comparable prior year period. This increase was due primarily to there being 11 company-owned restaurants open during the current quarter vs. nine during the similar prior year period. Concurrently, sales per comparable restaurant declined by 1.0 percent primarily due to a reduction in media spending.

An increase in comparable restaurant profit was offset by reduced franchise revenues and profits. While royalties increased moderately, license fee and development fee revenues declined due to no franchise openings during the first quarter of fiscal 1991 compared to one opening in the first quarter of last year. Several company-owned and franchised restaurants in certain markets outside Louisiana are being adversely affected by the combination of recession and/or their proximity to military bases where troops have been deployed to the Middle East. The company continues to emphasize delivering the best possible value to its guests as the primary strategy to offset the uncertain economic situations in these markets.

Cucos is a Sonoran-style Mexican restaurant chain consisting of 11 company-owned restaurants and 19 franchised restaurants located primarily in the southeastern United States.

CONTACT: Thomas J. Sandeman, vice president of finance for Cucos, 504-835-0306

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#90334p9958 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CRANFORD, N.J. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Regency Equity Corp. announced that, at its annual meeting of stockholders held today, the stockholders elected the following persons as directors of the company: Marvin Olshan, Ron Labow, Robert Goodman, Larry Faigin and Richard Ziman.

CONTACT: Marvin Olshan of Regency Equities Corp., 212-753-7200

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#90334p9963 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOCA RATON, FLA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Computer Products, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CPRD) today authorized the purchase by Computer Products, Inc., from time to time of up to $5 million principal amount of the company's 9 1/2 percent convertible subordinate debentures, due 1997, depending upon market price and other factors.

This program supplements the recently announced plan to repurchase shares of the company's common stock, which is subject to the convertible debenture holders' approval. The company anticipates such approval to be obtained prior to the end of this calendar year.

Computer Products was founded in 1968 and now employs more than 1,800 persons worldwide. The company is organized into three businesses: Power Conversion, Measurement & Control and Government Electronics.

Computer Products recorded 1989 sales of $120 million. The company is headquartered in Boca Raton, Fla., and has manufacturing facilities in Pompano Beach, Fla.; Boston; Fremont, Calif.; Boulder, Colo.; Hong Kong and the Republic of Ireland. Its products are sold through a worldwide network of distributors and independent sales representatives, as well as directly to original equipment manufacturers.

CONTACT: Eugene L. Zuch of Computer Products, Inc., 407-451-1012; or Stan Schneider of Redgate Communications Corp.; 305-435-3310, for Computer Products Inc.

-30- 1582

#90334p9966 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Alan Rubin, president of the National Park Foundation, today welcomed the "creativity and generosity of Matsushita Electric Industrial Company and MCA, Inc., for developing a plan that will provide an important gift to America's National Park System."

Matsushita and MCA have made a commitment, Rubin said, to place Yosemite Park & Curry Company -- the principal concessioner in Yosemite National Park and a subsidiary of MCA -- in escrow while a new American owner is sought. In the interim, all profits from the Curry Company will be donated to the National Park Foundation to benefit Yosemite National Park and the entire National Park System.

"This gift," Rubin added, "will provide tangible benefits to the American public, assuring that important preservation and research work in the parks can be accomplished. It represents the best in corporate citizenship and ensures that treasured national resources will be preserved."

"The Curry Company contract is the largest single concession in the parks," Rubin said. The company provides a diversity of services and facilities for the park's visitors, including management of the Yosemite Valley transportation system and operation of hotels, restaurants, lodges, gift shops and more.

The National Park Foundation was chartered by Congress in 1967 to receive gifts and manage funds to support the preservation and enhancement of America's National Park System for future generations. The foundation's board of directors is composed of top corporate leaders and outstanding citizens in the United States.

CONTACT: Alan Rubin of the National Park Foundation, 202-785-4500

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#90334p9973 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CORAL GABLES, FLA (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Avatar Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ: AVTR) announced that its board of directors authorized the company to spend up to an additional $5 million to purchase from time to time any combination of its common stock, 8 percent senior debentures and 5 1/4 percent convertible-purchase subordinated debentures in the open market, through privately negotiated transactions or otherwise.

As of Nov. 30, there are 7,400,481 shares of Avatar common stock outstanding. The principal amounts of Avatar's 8 percent debentures and 5 1/4 percent convertible-purchase subordinated debentures outstanding at Nov. 30 are $35,189,000 and $31,046,000, respectively.

Shares purchased by Avatar will be maintained as treasury stock. No specific plans or proposals for the utilization of such shares have yet been made. All 8 percent senior debentures purchased by Avatar will be maintained in the treasury for application toward future annual mandatory sinking fund payments or for other corporate purposes. All 5 1/4 percent debentures purchased by Avatar will be maintained in the treasury for such corporate purposes as may be deemed appropriate.

Avatar Holdings Inc. is a diversified holding company primarily engaged, through its various subsidiaries, in real estate and utilities operations. Real estate activities include the development, marketing and sale of improved an unimproved property; construction and sale of shelter units; operation of amenities, resorts and cable television facilities in Avatar-developed communities; sales and management of timeshare unit weeks; and residential and commercial property management services. Utility operations include the purification and distribution of water and the treatment and disposal of wastewater.

CONTACT: Juanita I. Kerrigan, vice president and secretary of Avatar Holdings Inc., 305-442-7000

-30- 2073

#90334p9980 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Noble Drilling Corp. (NASDAQ: NDCO) today announced that it has signed an asset purchase agreement with Transworld Drilling Co., a subsidiary of Kerr-McGee Corp., to acquire certain assets of Transworld, a Gulf of Mexico offshore drilling company, for $75 million. The principal assets being acquired are 12 mobile offshore drilling units, consisting of five jackup rigs and seven submersible rigs. The transaction is scheduled to close on or before Jan. 31, 1991.

Under the terms of the agreement, Noble Drilling will make a cash down payment at closing with the balance of the purchase price represented in a note to Transworld which will have a final maturity of Jan. 31, 1994. The agreement also provides Transworld limited rights to exchange certain amounts of outstanding principal under its note into shares of Noble Drilling common stock.

James C. Day, Noble Drilling's president and chief executive officer, said "The Transworld acquisition represents another significant step in our strategy of expanding offshore operations which would, after giving effect to the acquisition, account for approximately 80 percent of our total revenues. We believe this transaction is attractively priced and well structured, and the operating personnel and assets will combine well with our existing U.S. operations."

The assets to be acquired would add substantially to Noble Drilling's rig fleet which currently consists of 13 offshore and 62 land rigs.

Noble Drilling is a major drilling contractor providing offshore and onshore contract drilling services worldwide with operations in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Africa, Syria and the Far East. Noble Drilling's common stock is listed in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol NDCO.

CONTACT: Byron L. Welliver of Noble Drilling Corp., 713-974-3131

-30- 2079

#90334p9985 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

YPSILANTI, MICH (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Flagship Express, Inc. (NASDAQ: FLACE) announced today that its common stock will continue to be included for quotation on the National Association of Securities Dealer's Automated Quotations System (NASDAQ) pursuant to a temporary exception from certain listing requirements.

The trading symbol of Flagship has been changed to FLACE effective Nov. 21, 1990.

CONTACT: Jeffrey Z. Taufield of Kekst and Company 212-593-2655, for Flagship Express

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#90334p9991 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

CROSWELL, MICH. (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert S. Wait, president of State Bank of Croswell, announced the purchase of deposits of the First Federal Savings Bank and Trust (AMEX: FFS) office in Port Huron, Mich. The agreement has received all necessary regulatory approval and will become effective

Monday, Dec. 17, 1990.

According to Wait, "Acquisition of this deposit base reflects our continued commitment to expanding our services into the Port Huron community."

"First Federal is taking this action as another step in efforts to restructure our present branch network," noted Leo D. Ottoni, CEO and president of First Federal Savings Bank and Trust. "We take this action secure in the knowledge that State Bank of Croswell will continue our efforts in servicing the financial needs of the Port Huron community."

The State Bank of Croswell, with assets of $76.7 million, will number five offices upon the acquisition of the Port Huron branch. First Federal Savings Bank and Trust will total 25 offices in six counties of Southeast Michigan, with assets totaling $1.2 billion.

CONTACT: Leo D. Ottoni of First Federal Savings Bank and Trust, 313-333-7071; or Robert S. Wait of State Bank of Croswell, 313-679-2500

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#90334p9998 11/30/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (NOV. 30) PR NEWSWIRE - General Mills (NYSE: GIS) has named Steve Garthwaite, senior vice president, Research and Development, to the newly created position of senior vice president, Technology and Operations, reporting to Art Schulze, General Mills vice chairman.

The appointment brings together the primary technical resources of the company's Consumer Foods businesses in a single organization that includes manufacturing, procurement, research and quality control.

"The continuing strong growth of General Mills' domestic food businesses together with numerous new international opportunities for Cereal Partners Worldwide (CPW) place an increasing demand on our technical resources," said Mark Willes, General Mills president and chief operating officer. "This requires a highly integrated and coordinated effort by General Mills' research engineering, operating and procurement functions."

Garthwaite, 47, is a native of York, England, and holds a bachelor of science degree from Queen's College of St. Andrews University, Dundee, Scotland.

He began his career as a chemist with Procter & Gamble Ltd. in the United Kingdom and joined General Mills in 1982 as vice president and director of Corporate Research.

Garthwaite is a board member of Cereal Partners Worldwide, chairman of the University of Minnesota's Food Science and Nutrition Advisory Board, chairman of General Mills' Task Force on Public Education, and is a board member of the

National Kidney Foundation of the Upper Midwest.

CONTACT: R.C. Shulstad of General Mills, 612-540-3745

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MOSCOW (NOV 30) TASS - THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION 678 ON THE GULF DOES NOT MEAN A DECLARATION OF WAR ON IRAQ AND THE REJECTION OF A SEARCH FOR PEACEFUL WAYS OUT OF THE CRISIS, SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER VLADIMIR PETROVSKY TOLD A BRIEFING HERE TODAY.

PETROVSKY PARTICULARLY NOTED THAT MEMBERS OF THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL ACTIVELY SUPPORTED THE SOVIET UNION'S PROPOSAL THAT THE RESOLUTION GIVE BAGHDAD A "PAUSE OF PEACE" TO TAKE THE ONLY REASONABLE DECISION AND SETTLE THE CONFLICT BY PEACEFUL MEANS.

"THE SOVIET UNION SERIOUSLY BELIEVES THAT THE CALL WILL BE HEARD BY THE IRAQI LEADERSHIP. FORTY-FIVE DAYS IS A SUFFICIENT TERM FOR THIS," PETROVSKY SAID. HE SAID THE PAUSE GIVES SCOPE FOR "DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS" AIMED AT A POLITICAL SOLUTION OF THE CRISIS.

PETROVSKY RECALLED THAT HIS RECENT CONTACTS WITH THE LEADERS OF THE COUNTRIES IN THE REGION, AS THE SOVIET PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL ENVOY, SOUGHT TO LEARN THEIR POINTS OF VIEW AND ACTIVELY USE THE ARAB FACTOR TO SETTLE THE SITUATION.

THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HAS TOLD BAGHDAD THAT IT WILL USE ALL MEASURES ENVISAGED BY THE U.N. CHARTER, INCLUDING MILITARY FORCE, TO CURB THE AGGRESSION AND RESTORE KUWAIT'S SOVEREIGNTY AND INDEPENDENCE, PETROVSKY SAID.

SPEAKING ABOUT THE PROBLEM OF SOVIET SPECIALISTS, STILL IN IRAQ AND WITH NO OPPORTUNITY TO LEAVE BECAUSE OF THE POSITION OF THE IRAQI AUTHORITIES, PETROVSKY WARNED THAT THE SOVIET UNION WILL DO EVERYTHING NECESSARY TO PROTECT ITS CITIZENS. HE SAID ONLY 26 OUT OF 3,300 SOVIET CITIZENS HAVE MANAGED TO LEAVE IRAQ SINCE NOVEMBER 26.

NOTING THE COMPLEXITY OF THE CURRENT SITUATION IN THE GULF, PETROVSKY SAID THAT "NOT TO CURB THE AGGRESSION WOULD MEAN TO INCUR EVEN GREATER BURDENS AND SUFFERINGS ON ALL STATES AND ON ALL PEOPLES".

AT THE SAME TIME, HE SAID HE WAS SURE THAT A POLITICAL SETTLEMENT OF THE CRISIS IN ACCORDANCE WITH U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS ELIMINATING DOUBLE STANDARDS AND BASED ON THE INTERNATIONAL LAW, WOULD CREATE FAVOURABLE CONDITIONS FOR A COMBINED SOLUTION OF OTHER BURNING PROBLEMS IN THE REGION, INCLUDING THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT AND THE PALESTINIAN AND LEBANESE PROBLEMS.

ASKED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF THE SOVIET UNION'S PARTICIPATION IN ARMED ACTION IN THE GULF, PETROVSKY NOTED THAT THE QUESTION IS NOT REASONABLE "IN

THE GIVEN CONDITIONS". IF SUCH AN ISSUE WERE RAISED, THIS WOULD CERTAINLY DEMAND CORRESPONDING CONSULTATIONS AND A SANCTION BY THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT.

IF IRAQ CONTINUES TO OBSTRUCT SOVIET SPECIALISTS' EXIT FROM IRAQ OR A SINGLE SOVIET CITIZEN SUFFERS THERE, THIS COULD LEAD TO "MOST SERIOUS" CONSEQUENCES, PETROVSKY SAID.

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MINSK (NOV. 30) TASS - THE NUMBER OF SMALL ENTERPRISES IN BYELORUSSIA IS CONSTANTLY GROWING.

THE BYELORUSSIAN FUND TO PROMOTE ACTIVITIES BY INVENTORS AND OTHER INNOVATORS HAS FOUNDED 31 SUCH FIRMS. THE BYELORUSSIAN GOVERNMENT HELPS DEVELOP SMALL BUSINESSES. ON THE INITIATIVE OF THE REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMY AND PLANNING, THE SMALL ENTERPRISES UNION, COMPRISING DOZENS OF NEW FIRMS, HAS BEEN CREATED HERE.

"WE ARE PLANNING TO BECOME A COMMERCIAL COUNTERBALANCE TO THE SCIENTIFIC AND PRODUCTION ASSOCIATION UNITING MAJOR INDUSTRIAL AND BANK MONOPOLIES," UNION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ALEXANDER RUPEKA TOLD TASS. "OUR STRONG POINT IS THAT SMALL FIRMS ARE MORE FLEXIBLE AND EFFICIENT."

"WHEN THE POPULATION NEEDED PERSONAL DOSIMETERS AFTER THE CHERNOBYL DISASTER, AN AMALGAMATION IN MINSK REQUIRED TWO YEARS TO DEVELOP AND BEGIN PRODUCING THEM. A SPECIALLY ORGANISED TEMPORARY WORK COLLECTIVE MANAGED TO DESIGN OVER 30 KINDS OF SUCH INSTRUMENTS IN THREE MONTHS," HE SAID.

"FIRST OF ALL, WE HELP SMALL ENTERPRISES SPRING UP. WE PREPARE RULES AND OTHER DOCUMENTS FOR THEM. PEOPLE COME TO OUR UNION, HOPING TO OVERCOME BUREAUCRATIC BARRIERS. LOCAL AUTHORITIES HAVE THE RIGHT TO REGISTER NEW FIRMS, AND THEY DO NOT ALWAYS THINK ABOUT STATE BENEFIT," HE SAID.

SMALL FIRMS ARE BEING CREATED BY OFFICIAL STATE ORGANISATIONS AND BY INDIVIDUALS. STUDENTS, TEENAGERS AND PENSIONERS WORK ON A CONTRACTUAL BASIS. SMALL FIRMS SOMETIMES SIGN TEMPORARY AGREEMENTS WITH EMPLOYED SPECIALISTS. THE INTERVAL FIRM IN MINSK HAS SIGNED CONTRACTS WITH EXPERIENCED SPECIALISTS TO DEVELOP ORIGINAL MEASURING INSTRUMENTS.

THERE ARE CURRENTLY HUNDREDS OF SMALL FIRMS IN THE REPUBLIC, AND THEIR NUMBER IS EXPECTED TO EQUAL THE NUMBER OF COOPERATIVES, REACHING 5,800.

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#90334u0030 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 30) UPI - Ohio Senator John Glenn calls ''overblown'' White House suggestions that Iraq is close to building a nuclear device. As the Democrat

put it- ''Iraq is quite a ways from having nuclear weapons.''

President Bush, however, disagreed with Glenn's assessment. Bush told reporters he does NOT intend to- in his words- ''gamble with the future about the construction of atomic weapons by Saddam Hussein.''

The heat intensified on Arizona Democrat Dennis DeConcini during a ninth day of hearings before the Senate ethics panel. A bank regulator cited DeConcini for improper actions during a 1987 discussion of a savings and loan operator.

Burt Lancaster is hospitalized in serious condition after fainting today in Los Angeles. The 77-year-old actor underwent a battery of tests and is expected to remain hospitalized overnight and possibly during the weekend.

A severely-burned Russain child returned to Alaska today to thank those involved in saving his life before he was flown for further treatment in Texas. The eight-year-old boy will return to the Soviet Far East Tuesday.

A Southern California theater chain is launching a 45-Million-dollar expansion despite the economic downturn. Edwards Theaters says it believes as long as Americans can get out of the house, they'll ''still go to the movies.''

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(NOV. 30) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Washington at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Detroit, 8 p.m.
Indiana at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
New York at Milwaukee, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at Utah, 9:30 p.m.

BOXING

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Las Vegas, Nev. - Kevin Kelly vs. Ernesto Quintana

IBF JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHT TITLE

Marsala, Italy - Gianfranco Rosi vs. Rene Jacquot

GOLF

Princeville, Hawaii - Seniors Challenge
Tarpon Springs, Fla. - JC Penney PGA and LPGA Classic

HARNESS RACING

Pompano Beach, Fla. - Breeders Crown

HOCKEY

NY Rangers at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
NY Islanders at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.
Montreal at Washington, 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Winnipeg, 8:35 p.m.

SWIMMING

Indianapolis - U.S. Open meet

TENNIS

St. Petersburg, Fla. - Davis Cup final

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(NOV. 30) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Baseball

Cincinnati - Named Jack Bowen to scouting department.

Montreal - Announced an agreement in principle has been reached to sell the team to a consortium of Quebec and Canadian businessmen.

St. Louis - Named Mike Ramsey manager of Springfield of Midwest League (A).

BASKETBALL

Cedar Rapids (CBA) - Signed guard- forward Clarence Thompson; waived guard Chris Harris.

La Crosse (CBA) - Signed guard Bart Kofoed; placed forward Todd Mitchell on injured reserve; traded guard Kenny Travis and player to be named to Columbus for guard Chris Childs.

Minnesota - Player personnel director Bill McKinney resigned.

Oklahoma City (CBA) - Traded guard Mark Plansky to Tulsa for 1991 second-round draft pick and player to be named later; signed forward Perry Young.

COLLEGE

Big East - Announced it will continue its conference tournament through 1996 season.

Colgate - Signed football coach Mike Foley to multi-year contract.

Hobart - Named Bill Maxwell football coach.

Jersey City State - Named Renata Angioli sports information director.

NCAA - Allowed UNLV basketball team to defend its NCAA Tournament title this year; announced school will forfeit television appearances next year and will not be allowed to play in 1992 NCAA Tournament.

Purdue - Football coach Fred Akers resigned; announced guard Rich Mount quit basketball team.

Tennessee - Dismissed defensive tackle Mark Moore from team for disciplinary reasons.

USA Basketball - Named Seton Hall Coach Pete Carlesimo head coach of 1991 U.S. team competing in World University Games.

Westchester Community College - Named Liz Clark women's basketball coach.

FOOTBALL

World Football League - Announced George Shinn acquired ownership rights for Raleigh-Durham franchise; named Roman Gabriel general manager.

HOCKEY

Los Angeles - Fired Marcel Comeau as coach of American Hockey League affiliate in New Haven and replaced him on an interim basis with Phoenix assistant coach Garry Unger; assigned defenseman Bob Halkidis from New Haven to Phoenix of the Internatinal Hockey League.

St. Louis - Recalled right winger David Bruce from Peoria of International Hockey League.

HORSE RACING

Philadelphia Park - Announced resignation of general manager Robert L. Bork.

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#90334u0113 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 30) UPI - President Bush Thursday called the U-N vote authorizing military force against Iraq ''very good news.'' Bush says he hopes the tough measure will actually foster a peaceful resolution to the Gulf crisis. The U-N resolution permits the use of force if Saddam Hussein refuses to order his troops out of Kuwait by January 15th.

Earlier in the day, Bush told the Association of Bank Holding Companies that he hopes the resolution would send- quote- ''perhaps the clearest signal of all to Saddam Hussein that the world is deadly serious.'' Bush said Iraq has virtually dismantled Kuwait and triggered, through rising oil prices, economic hard times for scores of nations worldwide.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze says the Soviet Union has NO intention of sending troops to the Persian Gulf, even though it voted for the U-N resolution authorizing force against Iraq. But Shevardnadze sternly warned Baghdad NOT to harm Soviet citizens trapped in Iraq.

The seven-man crew of the space shuttle Columbia arrived in Florida late Thursday to prepare for a fifth launch attempt Sunday on an astronomy mission. Columbia's flight was delayed six months by crippling fuel leaks. Shuttle commander Vance Brand told reporters- ''Well, we're back ... We're really ready to fly.''

Argentina's interior minister says rumors of a plot to kill President Bush during his visit to Argentina next week are NOT true. The minister told reporters Thursday that the rumors were leaked by what he called- quote- ''some state organism'' and published as a result of ''inexact information.''

Police Commissary Julian Blanco told U-P-I early Thursday that a non-Argentine man was arrested in a suspected plot to kill Bush. The newspaper Diario Popular said about 30 Argentine and Chilean left-wing terrorists planned to ambush the president while he visited the Palermo race track.

Condemned Texas killer Henry Lee Lucas, who once claimed he killed more than 250 people, is recanting his confessions as his execution date approaches. The 54-year-old drifter now says his only crime was that he embarassed police who accepted his bogus claims. Lucas is to be put to death by lethal injection early Monday.

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#90334u0132 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 30) UPI - Nevada-Las Vegas won't open its season until the weekend, but Thursday the Runnin' Rebels posted perhaps their biggest victory of the 1990-91 season.

UNLV, banned from defending its national championship in 1991 by the NCAA, ending a 13-year battle with coach Jerry Tarkanian, Thursday agreed to sanctions that will permit them to play in this year's tournament.

The NCAA announed that UNLV can play in this year's tournament but in exchange will have to forfeit its television appearances next year and will not be allowed to play in the 1992 tournament. It is the first time the NCAA has ever amended itself after banning a school.

University President Robert Maxson said the NCAA made two proposals to the school. The first involved Tarkanian sitting out the 1991 tournament and banning the team from the 1992 tournament.

''The second has no live television for the team in 1991-92 and the team also not playing in the postseason that year,'' said Maxson. ''The university has decided to accept the second alternative.''

The NCAA proposal came after school officials presented four options when they met in Chicago Oct. 28 with the Infractions Committee.

The Runnin' Rebels won the national championship last April with a 103-73 demolition of Duke, and with four starters returning from that team, are favored to make a return trip to the Final Four.

''I never had any doubts that we would get back in,'' said All- America forward Larry Johnson, who along with teammate Stacey Augmon decided to stay for their senior years at UNLV despite the lure of the NBA.

Not since 1973 - when John Wooden's UCLA Bruins won their seventh consecutive title - has a team repeated as national champion.

Maxson said the university's greatest concern was not of future penalties but to find a way to give the top-rated Rebels a rare chance to repeat.

''We thought both (options) were fair, but the optimum word - the key thing - is there will be no penalties against the national champions this year,'' the UNLV president said. ''We do regret that next year's team will not be eligible for the postseason. But it was very important to us that the national champions have the right to defend.''

UNLV may not be finished with the NCAA this year, however. The school could also face further sanctions in an investigation of possible violations in the recruiting of Lloyd Daniels, who never played for the school.

''We really feel there will not be a recruiting violation found with LLoyd Daniels,'' Tarkanian said from Vancouver, British Columbia. ''No one took greater steps than we did to make sure there would be no problems.''

In Thursday night action involving UPI's Top 25, No. 13 Connecticut survived Yale 49-48, and No. 24 New Mexico St. met Texas El Paso in a late game.

At New Haven, Conn., the Huskies John Gwynn made a layup with 1:29 left and No. 13 Connecticut held on when Yale's Ed Petersen shot an air ball as time expired. Following Gwynn's basket, the Elis got the ball back with 14 seconds to go on Dean Campbell's steal but Petersen's shot was off the mark. Gwynn scored 12 of his 14 points in the second half and Chris Smith had 15 for the Huskies, 3-0.

Elsewhwere, Mik Kilgore scored 21 points and Mark Macon added 17 to give Temple a 70-57 victory over Villanova. Donald Hodge added 15 points, including seven in a decisive 14-1 Owls' spurt in the second half. ... Tony Freeman scored 27 points to lead Illinois-Chicago to a 71-60 upset of Illinois. It marked the first time the Illini have lost a home opener since Dec. 4, 1979 and ended Illinois' 12-game non- conference home winning streak. ... Jean Prioleau drilled a three- pointer at the buzzer to give Fordham a 69-68 victory over Seton Hall. . .. Stevin Smith scored 25 points to power Arizona State to a 118-77 rout of Northern Illinois. ... Chuck Murphy scored 21 and Stephen Howard 16 to lead DePaul over Florida International 117-65.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	11	2	.846	-
Philadelphia	10	5	.667	2
New York	6	7	.462	5
Miami	5	9	.357	6 1/2
New Jersey	5	10	.333	7
Washington	4	9	.308	7

CENTRAL DIVISION

Detroit	12	2	.857	-
Milwaukee	10	4	.714	2
Chicago	8	6	.571	4
Charlotte	8	7	.533	4 1/2
Cleveland	8	7	.533	4 1/2
Indiana	5	9	.357	7
Atlanta	4	9	.308	7 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	8	4	.667	-
Utah	7	6	.538	1 1/2
Houston	8	7	.533	1 1/2
Dallas	6	6	.500	2
Minnesota	5	9	.357	4
Orlando	3	11	.214	6
Denver	3	11	.214	6

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	12	1	.923	-
Phoenix	8	4	.666	3 1/2
Golden State	9	6	.600	4
LA Lakers	7	5	.583	4 1/2
LA Clippers	6	8	.429	6 1/2
Seattle	4	7	.364	7
Sacramento	1	12	.077	11

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(NOV. 30) UPI - President Bush plans to meet with congressional leaders at the White House Friday to discuss whether to order a special session of Congress to debate the Persian Gulf crisis. The president said Thursday that he had ''NO plans'' to summon lawmakers for a special session. When questioned on the issue by reporters, Bush walked away, calling a U-N resolution authorizing the use of military force against Iraq ''Very good news.''

Administration sources say President Bush will name a new anti-drug czar Friday. The sources say Bush has selected outgoing Florida Governor Bob Martinez as director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy. Martinez, a Republican, was defeated in his bid for re-election earlier this month. He will replace William Bennett, who resigned. The sources say Martinez left Tallahassee for Washington Thursday and intends to join the president at the White House for the mid-afternoon announcement.

American motorists are bracing for another jolt at the gas pump. Beginning Saturday, the federal tax on gas increases an additional five cents a gallon. The gas tax increases from nine cents to 14 cents a gallon on unleaded fuel and 15 cents to 20 cents on diesel... and will affect virtually every segment of the nation's air, rail and ground transportation system. The increase was engineered by the Bush administration and Congress last month as part of the 1991 budget deal.

With the countdown clock ticking toward blastoff, the shuttle Columbia's seven-man crew flew to Florida late Thursday to make final preparations for

launch. The shuttle will make a fifth attempt Sunday to blast off on a 10-day astronomy mission delayed six months by crippling fuel leaks. The crew will be carrying a costly four- telescope observatory to study X-rays and ultraviolet light from the most violent stars and galaxies in the universe.

Soviet President Gorbachev plans to go the troubled southwestern republic of Moldavia Friday in a bid to calm ethnic tensions. A spokesman says Gorbachev will meet with ''representatives of various parties'' in the disputes that have split the republic and led to violent clashes. Russians and Ukrainians in eastern Moldavia and Turkic-speaking residents in the south have declared separate autonomous regions because of fears that minority rights will be trampled under Moldavian nationalism.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	16	7	5	37	110	73
Philadelphia	16	10	2	34	102	86
Washington	14	13	0	28	92	87
New Jersey	13	10	2	28	94	83
Pittsburgh	11	12	2	24	103	99
NY Islanders	9	14	1	19	65	89

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	14	7	4	32	80	73
Montreal	12	11	3	27	78	79
Hartford	10	11	4	24	72	80
Buffalo	9	9	6	24	75	74
Quebec	4	18	5	13	70	122

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	17	7	2	36	90	65
St. Louis	15	7	3	33	88	69
Detroit	12	10	3	27	93	94
Minnesota	5	15	6	16	67	92
Toronto	5	22	1	11	75	130

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	16	6	3	35	107	78

Calgary	14	9	3	31	109	83
Vancouver	12	12	2	26	78	86
Winnipeg	9	15	3	21	91	95
Edmonton	7	14	2	16	67	71

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(NOV. 30) UPI - It took a regular-season game for the Boston Bruins to halt their losing streak to the Edmonton Oilers at Boston Garden.

Don Sweeney scored the game-winner and Randy Burridge scored twice Thursday night, lifting the Bruins to a 4-2 victory over the Oilers in a rematch of last season's Stanley Cup final.

The Oilers went 3-0 at Boston Garden last season to wrap up the Cup in five games. The Oilers are 4-0 in Boston in two Cup finals.

But Boston dominates Edmonton during the regular season, in which the Bruins improved to 14-2-2 against the Oilers after Thursday's triumph.

The Oilers had won five of seven games entering the contest following a club-record seven-game losing skid.

''It's nice to beat them when they're going well,'' Boston Coach Mike Milbury said. ''They've turned things around since their bad start and they've been successful.''

''We wanted to get on them from the start and make them cough the puck up - and we did,'' Burridge said. ''If you work hard, you'll keep getting opportunities.''

Boston, playing its first game without high-scoring winger Cam Neely who is serving the first of a five-game, league-imposed suspension, needed scoring from unexpected sources and strong goaltending to post the victory.

''We made some mistakes and it cost us,'' Edmonton Coach John Muckler said. ''(Andy) Moog played well for them. You have to give the Bruins credit.''

Boston, which had led 1-0 before the Oilers moved in front on goals by Joe Murphy and Glenn Anderson, tied the score 2-2 on Chris Nilan's score with 2:29 left in the second period.

Sweeney moved Boston ahead 3-2 on a spectacular individual rush. The Boston defenseman collected a loose puck just outside the Oilers' blue line, raced around defenseman Geoff Smith and wheeled in front before slipping a forehand shot by a diving Ranford.

''I think the Oilers were already going in the other direction,'' said Sweeney. ''(Ken) Hodge just left the puck for me and I raced in.''

In other games, St. Louis and Los Angeles skated to a 4-4 tie, Detroit defeated Chicago 5-1, Hartford beat Pittsburgh, and Vancouver nipped Toronto 2-1.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Blues 4, Kings 4, OT

At St. Louis, Wayne Gretzky scored a power-play goal with 3:27 remaining, helping Los Angeles overcome a four-goal deficit. A standing- room-only crowd of 17,982 saw the slumping Blues score four goals in the second period only to allow the Kings back in the game.

Red Wings 5, Blackhawks 1

At Chicago, Joe Kocur scored on a penalty shot and Glen Hanlon stopped 33 shots in his first start, powering Detroit to its fourth straight triumph. Detroit, which entered the contest 1-7-3 away from Joe Louis Arena, has won two straight road games for the first time since February 1989.

Whalers 6, Penguins 4

At Pittsburgh, Ron Francis scored with 1:20 left in the third period to lift Hartford. With the score 4-4, Francis took a pass from the left corner from Scott Young and wristed the puck by goaltender Tom Barrasso from about 20 feet. Dean Evason scored his second goal of the game into an empty net with 1:03 left for the Whalers, who stopped a two-game losing streak.

Canucks 2, Maple Leafs 1

At Vancouver, British Columbia, Trevor Linden's power-play goal with 4:03 remaining in the third period gave the Canucks the win. After Maple Leaf defenseman Rob Ramage was sent off for holding, Linden tallied his 12th goal of the season when he took a pass from Dan Quinn and put the puck past Toronto goalie Allan Bester.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - The countdown has begun for Saddam Hussein to withdraw his troops from Kuwait or face a U.N.-authorized attack but the Iraqi leader has shown no sign of bowing to the pressure.

In its strongest action yet in the crisis, the United Nations Security Council voted Thursday to allow the use of force against Iraq if it does not pull its

troops out of Kuwait by Jan. 15.

The Security Council voted 12-2 with China abstaining and Cuba and Yemen voting against the resolution. It was the first time since July 1950, when it authorized a unified command against North Korean aggression in South Korea, that the body had endorsed the use of military power.

The resolution said Iraq has refused to comply with U.N. resolutions for it to quit Kuwait ''in flagrant contempt of the council'' and gave Iraq ''one final opportunity, as a pause of goodwill,'' to withdraw its 400,000 troops that have occupied Kuwait since Aug. 2.

Secretary of State James Baker joined foreign ministers Eduard Shevardnadze of the Soviet Union, Douglas Hurd of Britain and Roland Dumas of France in calling for renewed diplomacy to persuade Saddam to withdraw.

The four ministers, using similar language, said the Security Council would not take any further action against Iraq until Jan. 15, ''assuming no adverse change in circumstances.''

''We do so while retaining our rights to protect our foreign nationals in Iraq and mindful of the terms of the Fourth Geneva convention and the Geneva Protocol of 1925, should Saddam Hussein use chemical or biological weapons,'' Baker said.

President Bush called the resolution ''a very powerful statement and everybody ought to understand how strong it is and how important it is. Everybody wants a peaceful resolution. I think this would drive home the point to him that he's got to get out of Kuwait,'' he said.

Bush remained reluctant to call for a special session of Congress, calling such a move premature and unnecessary, but some leading lawmakers disputed his contention.

''I think reluctant is a pretty good word,'' said White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater.

The White House has termed a special session of Congress, which is not due to reconvene until Jan. 3, premature and unnecessary, but some leading lawmakers want a say in the United States' increasingly strident gulf policy.

Shevardnadze said the Soviet Union was unlikely to send troops to the Middle East and, displaying a frankness unimaginable a year ago, added, ''The memories of Afghanistan and Czechoslovakia are still fresh in the minds of our citizens.''

But Shevardnadze said, ''If even one Soviet citizen (in Iraq) is harmed, I cannot say what the consequences would be, but it will be very serious.''

He added that President Mikhail Gorbachev has the right under Soviet law to send troops to protect Soviet citizens and ''may everyone know that.''

The Soviet Union has about 1,000 citizens stuck in Iraq.

The Pentagon wasted little time reacting to the U.N. resolution, planning to build up its forces for possible offensive action after Jan. 15 by sending another 300 warplanes to the Gulf. That will increase the Air Force's fleet of planes in the area to 1,200 planes, the Los Angeles Times reported Friday.

Citing unnamed defense sources, the newspaper said the new wave of planes will include a second squadron of F-117 stealth fighters, F-15E ground-attack jets, F-16 fighters, A-10 tank-killers, refueling tankers and RF-4C photo-reconnaisance planes, the sources said.

A total of 27 more Air Force units with about 10,000 personnel will be deployed in the region, beginning as early as this week. Some will be redeployed from Europe and others will come from U.S.-based reserve and Air National Guard units, the newspaper said.

In a speech condemning the U.N. resolution and saying Iraq would fight ''ferociously'' in the event of attack, Saddam said Iraq had the ability to detect stealth fighters, which are designed to be invisible to radar.

''They (the Americans) are talking about the plane which they call the ghost and nobody can see,'' Saddam said. ''But if God wishes war to erupt, they will see that this ghost will be seen even by the shepherds in the desert with the Iraqi technology.''

Iraq promised former heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali to release 14 American hostages, and told British member of Parliament Tony Penn that 15 British nationals would go free, Cairo radio reported.

Iraq also has ordered the release of 56 Swedes, Swedish officials said.

Former Navy Secretary James Webb told the Senate Armed Services Committee, holding hearings on the gulf buildup, that if Bush is serious about going on the offensive against Iraq he should seek a resumption of the draft and a declaration of war from Congress.

A poll released in Paris showed that more than half of the French people do not want France to participate in a gulf war and only 52 percent favored Bush's strong stand against Iraq, down 14 percentage points from August.

''Although our compatriots think that war has become inevitable to resolve the gulf crisis, they prefer that it be waged alone by our allies,'' said the Le Figaro newspaper, which sponsored the survey.

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#90334u0246 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
DHAKA, Bangladesh (NOV. 30) UPI - About 400 journalists staged a downtown rally Friday, protesting the imposition of censorship and vowing not to publish newspapers until the restriction is withdrawn.

The demonstration came during a seven-hour break in the curfew that was clamped on the city Tuesday after President Hussein Muhammad Ershad declared a national state of emergency, suspended all political activities, imposed press censorship and ordered the nation's three universities closed for a month.

''We will not accept any imposition of censorship on the press,'' Reaz Uddin Ahmad, president of the Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists, told a gathering of about 400 reporters in front of the press club in downtown Dhaka.

''So long as it remains, no newspaper will come out. We ask the government to withdraw the emergency immediately and allow the process of democracy,'' Ahmad said.

The group later tried to stage a march, but were stopped by about 600 police officers who had been watching the demonstration. The crowd dispersed peacefully.

Numerous other rallies were held in Dhaka Friday, most of which were attended by not more than 300 people each and which were watched carefully by police. There were no reports of violence.

One women's rights organization, known as the Women's Federation, held a rally where speakers denounced the Ershad government.

''The people have rejected this government,'' said Farida Rahman, one of the group's leaders. ''We will not allow the continuance of this regime in power.''

Malika Begum, general secretary of the group, said that the women of Bangladesh ''will resist all kinds of repression on the people.''

''We are united in our vows,'' Begum said.

Ershad, while announcing emergency rule in Bangladesh last Tuesday, said the step was necessary ''to preserve national security and save the country from rampant violence.''

He accused oppostion parties of endangering internal security and the economic life of the country.

The government crackdown came in the wake of frequent anti-government strikes

over the past month by opposition parties that disrupted normal life and often resulted in clashes between rival groups.

An eight-party alliance of the Awami League and a seven-party coalition led by the Bangladesh Nationalist Party organized the anti- government rallies and strikes since October.

The strikes were called to demand the resignation of Ershad and to insist on a general election under a neutral interim government.

Ershad seized power from an elected government in a bloodless coup in 1982 and obtained a five-year presidential term in the 1986 elections, boycotted by the major opposition parties.

Opposition leaders say there cannot be free and fair elections under an Ershad government.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I brings the latest news.

President Bush says the U-N Security Council resolution authorizing military force in the Persian Gulf crisis ''will drive home the point'' that Iraq must withdraw its troops from Kuwait. Bush made the remark yesterday after the 15-nation U-N Security Council voted 12-2 with one abstention to authorize force.

President Bush will nominate Florida Governor Bob Martinez today to head the nation's anti-drug office. Administration sources say Bush plans to announce his nomination at the White House with Martinez at his side. The sources say Martinez, a Republican, left Tallahassee yesterday for Washington.

The shuttle Columbia's seven-man crew is in Florida for final preparations for Sunday's blastoff. The crew flew in from Houston late yesterday. Upon arrival at Cape Canaveral, crew member Samuel Durrance said- ''We're sure looking forward to flying this time.'' Columbia's 10- day astronomy flight is six months behind schedule because of crippling fuel leaks.

American motorists can expect across-the-board increases at the gas pump starting tomorrow. A new federal tax on gasoline goes into effect, adding five cents a gallon to the price. The tax will rise from nine cents to 14 cents a gallon on unleaded fuel and 15 cents to 20 cents on diesel.

President Bush yesterday signed a landmark immigration bill he called ''good for America.'' The Immigration Act of 1990 seeks to increase the flow of highly skilled workers into the United States... as well as unite immigrant

families. It also eases or eliminates decades-old prohibitions on foreigners because of political beliefs, as well as exclusions for homosexuals.

A human rights group is protesting the first official visit to the United States by China's foreign minister since the crushing of the pro- democracy movement. In a letter to Secretary of State Baker, Asia Watch charged repression in China seems to be on the rise. The Chinese foreign minister is to meet with Baker today.

Missouri Attorney General William Webster has filed a lawsuit to shut down an adoption agency for alleged violations of the state's consumer fraud laws. The suit alleges that Missions of Mercy Incorporated charged couples large fees while misleading them about the availability of adoptable children.

The Environmental Protection Agency is investigating charges that the chemical company Monsanto manipulated scientific studies to minimize the possible health threat of dioxin. The charges were made by the environmental group Greenpeace. Dioxin is a by-product in the making of certain pesticides and herbicides... most notably Agent Orange.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Hartford	1	3	2	--6
Pittsburgh	1	2	1	--4

First period-1, Hartford, Tomlak 2 (Verbeek, Samuelsson), sh, 3:52. 2, Pittsburgh, Zalapski 6 (Coffey, Recchi), pp, 9:43. 3, Hartford, Evason 4 (Andersson, Jennings), 18:03.

Penalties-Evason, Har, 1:53; Jagr, Pit, 4:58; Kastelic, Har, 9:07; Krygier, Har, 9:27.

Second period-4, Hartford, Picard 1 (Krygier, Samuelsson), 4:45. 5, Pittsburgh, Stevens 13 (Coffey, Recchi), pp, 9:09. 6, Pittsburgh, Brown 6 (Zalapski), 17:31. 7, Tomlak 3 (Andersson, Jennings), 18:57.

Penalties-Francis, Har, 0:34; Stevens, Pit, 0:34; Yake, Har, 7:46; Holik, Har, 9:52; Errey, Pit, 9:52; Gilhen, Pit, 9:52; Verbeek, Har, 16:25; Stevens, Pit, 16:25.

Third period-8, Pittsburgh, Stevens 14 (Zalspski, Coffey), pp, 4:23. 9, Hartford, Francis 9 (Verbeek, Young), 18:40. 10, Hartford, Evason 5 (Sidorkiewicz), en, 18:57.

Penalties-Yake, Har, 2:27; Verbeek, Har, 15:44; Cullen, Pit, 16:33.

Shots on goal-Hartford 13-10-8-31. Pittsburgh 5-10-16-31.

Power-play conversions-Hartford 0-3. Pittsburgh 3-6.

Goaltenders-Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. Pittsburgh, Barrasso. A-15,808.

Referee-Rob Shick.

Edmonton	0	2	0-2
Boston	1	2	1-4

First period-1, Boston, Burridge 6 (Poulin, B.Sweeney), 19:26.

Penalties-Wesley, Bos, 3:47; Burridge, Bos, 4:35; S.Smith, Edm, 9:03.

Second period-2, Edmonton, Murphy 6 (Gelinas, Lowe), 4:03. 3, Edmonton, Anderson 5 (S.Smith, Simpson), 8:12. 4, Boston, Nilan 5 (Janney), 17:31. 5, Boston, D.Sweeney 2 (Hodge, Carpenter), 19:13.

Penalties-Wesley, Bos, :20; G.Smith., Edm, major (fighting), 7:57; Nilan, Bos, major (fighting), 7:57; Klima, Edm, 9:25; D.Sweeney, Bos, double minor, 9:25; B. Sweeney, Bos, 10:41; Gelinas, Edm, 13:06.

Third period-6, Boston, Burridge 7 (B. Sweeney), 19:30.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Edmonton 6-12-9-27. Boston 13-8-6-27.

Power-play conversions-Edmonton 5-0. Boston 2-0.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Ranford. Boston, Moog. A-14,448.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Detroit	2	2	1--5
Chicago	0	0	1--1

First period-1, Detroit, Fedorov 11 (Yzerman), pp, 2:20. 2, Detroit, Carson 9 (Burr, Probert), 9:50.

Penalties-Kucera, Chi, 2:02; Kocur, Det, 3:13; Hanlon (served by Garpenlov), Det, 10:35; Probert, Det, major (fighting), 14:24; McGill, Chi, minor- major (fighting), 14:24.

Second period-3, Detroit, Zombo 3 (Fedorov, Racine), 9:21. 4, Detroit, Kocur 5 (unassisted), ps, 12:22.

Penalties-Fedorov, Det, 2:43; Chiasson, Det, 7:43; Presley, Chi, 8:44; McKay, Det, major (fighting), 12:04; Grimson, Det, major (fighting), 12:04.

Third period-5, Detroit, Barr 5 (Carson, Racine), pp, 7:42. 6, Chicago, Gilbert 3 (Brown, Murray), pp, 15:38.

Penalties-Kocur, Det, minor-major (fighting), 6:04; Grimson, Chi, minor-major (fighting), 6:04; McGill, Chi, major (boarding)-game misconduct, 7:00; Kucera, Chi, 7:24; Kocur, Det, 15:30.

Shots on goal-Detroit 8-9-10-27. Chicago 15- 10-9-34.

Power-play conversions-Detroit 5-2. Chicago 5-1.

Goalies-Detroit, Hanlon. Chicago, Belfour, Cloutier (9:50, 1st per). A-18,472.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

Los Angeles	0	0	4	0	--4
St. Louis	0	4	0	0	--4

First period-1, none. Penalties-Wilson, StL, 4:58; Sutter, StL, 10:08; Watters LA, 12:59; Granato, LA, double minor (elbowing, roughing), 18:24; Sutter, StL double minor (high stick, roughing), 18:24; Lowry, StL, 18:47.

Second period-1, St. Louis, G. Cavallini 6 (Hull), 1:46. 2, St. Louis, Lavoie 1 (Wilson, Lowry), 2:55. 3, G. Cavallini 7 (Brind'Amour, Hull), 10:50. 4, St. Louis, Hull 25 (G. Cavallini), 11:22.

Penalties-Buskas, LA, 6:46; Sandstrom, LA, 9:28; Courtnall, StL, 9:28; Hrudey, LA, 11:55; Courtnall, StL, 13:24; Momesso, StL, 15:46; Tonelli, LA, 18:10; Blake, LA, major (fighting), 18:10; Watters, LA, major (misconduct), 18:10; Bassen, StL, major (fighting), 18:24; Momesso, StL, major (misconduct), 18:24.

Third period-5, Los Angeles Robitaille 10 (Gretzky, Sandstrom), 0:55. 6, Los Angeles, McIntyre 1 (Kudelski), sh, 2:08. 7, Los Angeles, Tonelli 5 (Elik), 6:39. 8, Los Angeles, Gretzky 16 (Duchesne, Robitaille), pp, 16:33.

Penalties-Robitaille, LA, double minor (high stick), 1:05; Marois, StL, 8:38; Watters, LA, 14:44; Brind'Amour, StL, 14:55; Lavoie, StL, 15:28.

Overtime-No scoring.

Penalties-none.

Shots on goal-Los Angeles 8-2-12-1-23. St. Louis 6-13-6-4-29.

Power-play conversions-Los Angeles 7-1. St. Louis 5-0.

Goaltenders-Los Angeles, Hrudey; St. Louis, Riendeau. A-17,982.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

Toronto	0	1	0-1
Vancouver	0	1	1-2

First period-No Scoring.

Penalties- Ramage, Tor, major (fighting), 0:59; Odjick, major (fighting), misconduct, 0:59; Nordmark, Van, 9:15; Marois, Tor, 10:06; Clark, Tor, major (fighting), 15:13; Smyl, Van, major (fighting), 15:13; Gibson, Van, 18:19.

Second period-1, Vancouver, Adams 5 (McBain, Lumme), 9:26. 2, Toronto, Deblois 4, (Maguire), 13:49.

Penalties-Iafrate, Tor, 1:17; Lumme, Van, 5:51; Nordmark, Van, 10:35; Clark, Tor, 13:16; Guy, Van, 13:16; Iafrate, Tor, 16:34; Maguire, Tor, major (fighting), 19:58; Odjick, Van, major (fighting), game misconduct, 19:58.

Third period-3, Vancouver, Linden 12, (Quinn, Valk), pp, 15:57.

Penalties-Franceschetti, Tor, major (highsticking), game misconduct, 3:13; Ramage, Tor, 15:23; Vancouver bench minor (too many men), 17:54.

Shots on goal-Toronto 7-9-9-25. Vancouver 7-12-6-25.

Power-play conversions-Toronto 5-0. Vancouver 5-1.

Goalies-Toronto, Bester. Vancouver, Gamble. A-15,711.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

SACRAMENTO (128)

Simmons 9-19 4-9 22, Tisdale 15-26 3-5 33, Wennington 3-8 0-0 6, Mays 7-19 5-8 22, Sparrow 2-5 0-0 4, Carr 7-15 6-6 20, Wood 3-8 4-4 11, Leckner 3-6 2-3 8, Calloway 0-1 2-4 2, Causwell 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 49-107 26-39 128.

DENVER (136)

Woolridge 10-19 12-16 32, Lane 4-10 2-4 10, Rasmussen 5-11 4-4 14, Adams 6-10 16-16 29, Lichti 4-16 0-0 8, Davis 8-20 0-0 16, Jackson 5-16 0-0 10, Cook 2-6 1-2 5, Wolf 1-3 6-6 8, Dunn 0-0 4-4 4. Totals 45-111 45-52 136.

Sacramento	30	30	38	30-128
Denver	33	28	43	32-136

Three-point goals-Mays 3, Wood, Adams. Total fouls-Sacramento 34, Denver 25. Rebounds-Sacramento 56 (Simmons, Tisdale 11), Denver 57 (Woolridge 15). Assists-Sacramento 31 (Simmons 7), Denver 24 (Adams 6). Technicals-none. A-6,379.

SEATTLE (110)

McDaniel 6-11 2-3 14, McKey 12-18 2-2 26, Cage 1-7 0-0 2, Payton 1-3 0-0 2, Threatt 4-12 5-5 13, Polynice 0-2 0-0 0, Kemp 9-12 6-8 24, McMillan 1-2 0-0 2, Barros 2-6 2-2 6, Dailey 3-11 1-2 7, Corzine 3-5 4-6 10, Meents 1-3 2-2 4. Totals 43-92 24-30 110.

PHOENIX (128)

Chambers 6-14 10-10 22, Rambis 3-3 0-0 6, West 5-6 1-5 11, K. Johnson 5-9 9-9 19, Hornacek 5-9 2-2 12, Knight 7-10 7-8 21, Majerle 7-13 3-3 17, E. Johnson 4-6 3-4 11, Lang 1-1 1-1 3, Nealy 0-0 2-2 2, Battle 2-2 0-1 4, Ceballos 0-7 0-0 0. Totals 45-80 38-45 128.

Seattle	21	26	30	33-110
Phoenix	29	36	31	32-128

Three-point goals-None. Fouled out-Lang. Total fouls-Seattle 29, Phoenix 23. Rebounds-Seattle 39 (Kemp 11), Phoenix 34 (West 8). Assists-Seattle 16 (Payton 6), Phoenix 25 (K. Johnson 6). Technicals-Seattle (illegal defense), Phoenix (illegal defense). A-14,487.

MINNESOTA (92)

Corbin 11-17 4-6 26, Mitchell 2-8 5-5 9, Breuer 4-10 5-9 13, Campbell 5-15 2-2 12, Richardson 2-6 0-0 4, Spencer 2-3 2-4 6, West 2-2 0-0 4, Brooks 4-9 0-0 10 Glass 4-11 0-0 8, Thornton 0-1 0-0 0, Coffey 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 36-82 18-26 92.

PORTLAND (107)

Kersey 5-12 2-2 12, Williams 4-9 2-2 10, Duckworth 6-13 1-1 13, Drexler 7-20 7-8 21, Porter 6-8 6-6 20, Cooper 1-2 0-0 2, Ainge 6-9 0-0 14, Robinson 6-8 0-0 12, Bryant 0-2 2-2 2, Abdelnaby 0-1 1-2 1, Young 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 41-85 21-23 107.

Minnesota	15	23	23	31- 92

Portland 29 29 19 30-107

Three-point goals-Brooks 2, Porter 2, Ainge 2. Fouled out-Spencer, Brooks. Team fouls-Minnesota 29, Portland 25. Rebounds-Minnesota 28 (Spencer 9), Portland 45 (Williams 11). Assists-Minnesota 25 (Corbin, Brooks 7), Portland 29 (Porter 9). A-12,884.

-30- 2753

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PHOENIX (NOV. 30) UPI - Tom Chambers scored 22 points and rookie Negele Knight came off the bench to add 21 Thursday night, pacing the Phoenix Suns to a 128-110 victory over the Seattle SuperSonics.

Five other Suns scored in double figures. Kevin Johnson had 19 points, Dan Majerle 17, Jeff Hornacek 12 and Eddie Johnson and Mark West 11 apiece.

Derrick McKey led Seattle with 26 points and Shawn Kemp had 24 points and 11 rebounds for the SuperSonics, who lost for the seventh time in their last eight games.

Phoenix took command with a 10-2 run in the last 3:25 of the first quarter to take a 29-21 lead.

The Suns led 65-47 at halftime and 96-77 at the end of three quarters. Their largest lead was 120-93 with four minutes remaining.

Chambers played 29 minutes, the most of any Phoenix player as coach Cotton Fitzsimmons cleared his bench. Chambers made 6 of 14 field goals was good on all 10 of his foul shots.

Knight, a 6-foot-1 guard out of Dayton and second-round pick in the 1990 draft hit 7 of 10 field goal attempts, had four assists and two steals in 23 minutes.

Phoenix, hitting 56 percent from the floor, scored only two more field goals than the Sonics, but made 38 of 45 free throws while Seattle went to the free throw line 30 times and made 24.

The Suns totaled 25 assists, led by Kevin Johnson with six and Knight, Andrew Lang and Jeff Hornacek with four each.

NUGGETS 136, KINGS 128

DENVER (UPI) - Orlando Woolridge scored 32 points and hauled in 15 rebounds and Michael Adams added 29 Thursday night to help Denver to its third win of the season, 136-128, over Sacramento.

The Nuggets, winners of two straight, improved to 3-11. The Kings have lost five straight and are 1-12 this season.

Wayman Tisdale led four Kings who scored at least 20 points with 33. Rookies Lionel Simmons and Travis Mays added 22 apiece and Antoine Carr had 20. Tisdale and Simmons each added 11 rebounds.

The Kings led 34-33 in the second period before the Nuggets took the lead for good with 10:59 left before halftime. The Nuggets led by only two in the fourth quarter, before using a 8-0 run with 9:20 remaining to take control.

BLAZERS 107, TIMBERWOLVES 92

PORTLAND, Ore. (UPI) - Clyde Drexler scored 21 points and Terry Porter added 20 to lead the Portland Trail Blazers to their 12th victory of the season, 107-92 over the Minnesota Timberwolves.

The Trail Blazers have won 12 of their first 13 games and lead the NBA's Western Division by 3 1-2 games.

Minnesota has dropped three of its last four and dropped to 5-9.

Minnesota's Tyrone Corbin led all scorers with 26 points, and Randy Bruer added 13.

The Trail Blazers raced to an early 29-15 lead in the first quarter and built a 20-point lead at 58-38 at the half and never looked back.

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#90334u0280 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, Belguim (NOV. 30) UPI - A fire broke out at the Brussels stock exchangeFriday morning, forcing the exchange to close for the entire day, officials said.

The fire erupted on the first floor of the Bourse building about 6:20 a.m. and was extinguished by 7 a.m. The cause was not immediately determined.

Initial reports indicated there was no damage to the stock exchange's central computer system.

-30- 563

#90334u0281 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

RANGOON, Burma (NOV. 30) UPI - The military government has promulgated a new private industrial law that gives the private sector the right to borrow government funds and hire foreign employees for the first time in 28 years.

Intended to foster the growth and expansion of private sector industries, the new law marks a turn away from socialist policies imposed since the 1962 military coup.

The current government is also a military government, but is hoping to use private enterprise to help the country reverse 28 years of decline under military-dominated socialism.

The law extends a series of benefits to all enterprises using more than three horsepower or employing more than ten workmen, according to a copy of the law published Friday.

The owners of such enterprises will have the right under the law to apply for government loans to finance fixed or working capital, for tax relief and exemption, and for assistance in acquiring needed infrastructure such as land, water-supply, power and transport, it said.

They will also be able to seek government assistance to procure, both at home and from abroad, raw materials and equipment, and also technology to boost production and raise the quality of their products.

They will also be able to employ foreign technicians and experts with the approval of the government.

The new law is part of a new open-door, market-oriented economic policy that emphasizes the role of the private sector in national economic development after years of government control left Burma one of the poorest countries in the world.

The government has signed a number of agreements with foreign businesses, but has moved slowly in loosening controls on the domestic economy.

It still reserves such lucrative areas of the economy as oil, precious stones, banking, forestry, and utilities for the government.

Burma, now officially called the Union of Myanmar, has a total of about 40,000 privately-owned workshops, but only about 2,000 of them employ more than 10 workmen to come within the ambit of the new law.

More than 50 percent of all these enterprises are in the food- processing and textile weaving industries.

-30- 2363

#90334u0284 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (NOV. 30) UPI - Forty-four young Vietnamese boat people left Thailand Friday under a voluntary repatriation program organized and supported by the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, a press statement said.

A UNHCR statement said 44 young male Vietnamese boat people left Bangkok for Ho Chi Minh City under the UNHCR Voluntary Repatriation Program.

It said 177 more Vietnamese boat people have already completed final interviews and are expected to leave for Vietnam shortly.

''Each returnee will receive $30 monthly from UNHCR for a period of 12 months '' it said.

The statement said the Vietnamese government has promised there will be no punishment of the returnees.

''UNHCR has full access to all returnees so as to monitor their well- being and progress towards reintegration,'' it said.

It said this repatriation has raised the total of Vietnamese boat people voluntarily returning from Thailand to 173 since last August.

Overall more than 6,000 Vietnamese boat people, mostly from Hong Kong have already returned to Vietnam under the UNHCR program, it said.

More than 13,000 Vietnamese refugees remain in refugee camps in Thailand, and most are unlikely to be accepted for resettlement in the West.

-30- 1435

#90334u0291 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 30) UPI - Indian summer was definitely over in the South and Middle Atlantic states with temperatures near freezing while more rain soaked the Northwest and strange lights were sighted in the skies over St. Louis.

After days of warm, sunny weather, things returned to normal for late November in the South, with a freeze warning in effect for Shreveport, La., and small craft advisories posted along Florida's northern east coast with seas reaching 9 feet.

A gale warning was in effect for the waters off New Orleans in the Gulf of Mexico and a small craft advisory was in effect along the coast east of the mouth of the Mississippi River, the National Weather Service said.

Nothing changed for Washington, where flood warnings were in effect for the Cedar and White rivers and snow or ice pellets were reported in the western interior region of the state.

Most rivers were still falling despite the rain Friday, but the Cedar River at Renton and the White River below Mud Mountain Dam were above flood stage and were expected to fall slowly late in the day.

Snow squalls dumped a quick inch of snow on the ground in western New York state, but eased toward daybreak and in New York City, it was clearing, windy and cold with a low in the 30s.

Clear skies covered the Midwest, but winds gusting to 55 mph whipped through Wyoming. Mostly clear skies and lows in the 50s were reported in Southern California with winds up to 12 mph.

The NWS in St. Louis issued a statement Friday in reponse to reports of strange lights in the night sky, blaming the sightings on a milky white cloud located very low on the horizon. The cloud, the NWS said, probably looked strange due to the full moon and clean atmosphere.

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#90334u0292 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - A federal judge said he will order the city to pay $150 to each prisoner held for more than a day in holding cells that are not properly equipped for use, The New York Times said Friday.

Judge Morris Lasker, of Federal District Court in Manhattan, made the dicision to fine the city due to frustration at the administration's chronic violation of court-imposed limits on overcrowding its jails, The Times said.

Under Lasker's order, inmates would receive $100 for each additional 12 hours that they had to be confined to areas that are not properly equipped as a living space.

As many as 400 are held in holding cells for more than 24 hours often being forced to sleep on floors, with no place to urinate except in shared bottles or on the floor, the paper said.

In the first two weeks of October, a total of 250 inmates would have qualified for the $150 payment, officials told The Times.

Many states have compensated inmates for violations of their constitutional rights, but this is the first time that a judge has ordered New York City to pay prisoners for the city's infractions, The Times said.

Lasker is also expected to take the unusual step of fining the city's Correction Commissioner Allyn Sielaff in contempt of court for the Correction Department's failure to adhere to a 1989 order that the city could not force inmates to stay in receiving rooms for more than 24 hours.

Lasker said he would issue the contempt order either Friday or Monday.

The order would not, however, cover past violations, but would serve as a

warning, the paper said.

''It may seem extraordinary,'' said Theodore Katz, a Legal Aid lawyer who is representing inmates. ''But the city over a long stretch of time has been subjecting thousands of people to shocking conditions.''

City officials admitted that the order has been violated but cited several problems, including a surge in jail population and the delay in opening the 850-bed unit on Rikers Island as helping prevent improvements.

The decision on paying inmates is the latest development in a long struggle between the judge and the city over conditions in the jail system.

The judge, acting on complaints from advocates of inmates' rights, has had a strong impact on the jail system, making rulings on a wide range of issues, ranging from cell size to sleeping arraignments.

-30- 2589

#90334u0293 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) UPI - A surgeon who spend 25 months in jail rather than reveal the whereabouts of her 8-year-old daughter has been given custody of the girl by a judge in New Zealand, a television station reported.

The report Thursday night by Washington televsion station WUSA, said a family court judge in Christchurch gave Dr. Elizabeth Morgan custody of her daughter, Hilary Foretich.

The ruling, which was issued last week, could not be confirmed in New Zealand, which has strict laws banning the publication of any family court matters.

Under terms of the award, Hilary must stay in Christchurch, located on the east coast of New Zealand's southern island, report to court every six months and refrain from any further publicity.

Morgan hid Hilary after claiming the girl's father, Eric Foretich, an oral surgeon from Falls Church, Va., sexually abused her.

The judge who issued the custody ruling did not say whether Foretich abused the girl, but quoted from a court-appointed psychologist.

''Hilary believes she has been sexually abused by her father and her paternal grandparents,'' the judge quoted the psychologist as saying. ''It is no longer possible to distinguish fact from belief. It would be impossible for her not to identify with the convictions of her mother and her maternal grandparents.''

Foretich dropped his custody bid in March to spare Hilary from the trauma the fight would have caused.

Under the judge's ruling, he will not be allowed to visit Hilary, but can send her cards and gifts.

''There is strong argument for saying the child must remain in her mother's care, where her physical, educational, spiritual and emotional needes are being met,'' the judge wrote.

The judge said he had serious reservations about the negative attitude Morgan fostered in her daughter about Foretich, who Morgan divorced before Hilary was born.

Hilary has lived in Christchurch with her maternal grandparents since July 1988 and Morgan only spoke with the girl twice while she was in hiding before their their reunion in March.

Morgan was jailed in August 1987 on contempt of court charges for refusing to reveal Hilary's whereabouts, and was released in September 1989 only after President Bush signed a bill limiting such contempt of court jailings in the District of Columbia.

-30- 2555

#90334u0303 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (NOV. 30) UPI - Some 1,500 leftwing Filipinos rallied outside the U.S. Embassy Friday to demand the dismantling of American military bases in the country after a treaty covering their stay expires next year.

The protesters said they would stage similar mass actions during the third round of talks on the future of the giant Clark Air Base, Subic Bay Naval station and four smaller facilities scheduled to begin next week in Manila.

Rally speakers took turns in accusing President Corazon Aquino's government of having already forged a deal with the Americans to extend the bases beyond Sept. 16, 1991, ''at the expense of Filipino sovereignty.''

Some 200 riot police, backed by firetrucks and elite SWAT teams, guarded the embassy during the peaceful, two-hour rally timed on the 127th anniversary of the birth of Andres Bonifacio, leader of the Philippine revolution against Spain.

Next week's talks are expected to clear differences between the two allies and pave the way for the signing of a new treaty by January to replace the 1947 military bases pact, officials said.

The protesters urged the government to take over the facilities immediately, saying the bases were being used by the Americans to interfere in Philippine domestic affairs and were an affront to the nation's sovereignty.

''Even if they will sign a treaty to extend the bases beyond 1991, we will still continue the struggle to oust the bases,'' said Robert Castro, vice president of the leftist League of Filipino Students.

The demonstrators also protested harsh economic measures they said were imposed by the International Monetary Fund for the approval of new loans to the debt-strapped nation, including new hikes in oil prices and additional taxes.

-30- 1964

#90334u0382 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (NOV. 30) UPI - Two people were killed and six wounded in police gunfire in the troubled squatter camp of Phola Park early Friday after an armored personnel carrier loaded with police became snared in a ditch, residents and police said.

Police also reported three other people killed in politically inspired violence overnight, including a policeman gunned down in the Cape peninsula, the second to die there in a week.

Police spokesman Capt. Johan Barnard said the vehicle had been ambushed in the camp bordering the black township of Thokoza east of Johannesburg, lodging in a camouflaged trench. Unidentified gunmen then fired, prompting police to fire back, he said.

''According to our information there were bloodstains on the scene and at least two of the attackers were wounded but they could not be traced. We don't know about any deaths,'' Barnard said.

Phola Park, one of three squatter camps straddling Thokoza township, was a flashpoint in the urban black violence that erupted in the Johannesburg area in August between supporters of the African National Congress and the rival exclusively Zulu movement Inkatha.

Relations between residents and police have deteriorated ever since amid frequent allegations the lawmen had supported Inkatha in the conflict and participated in a number of fatal attacks on the squatter camp.

Phola Park Residents Committee Chairman Prince Mhlambi said two people had been killed, a man and a woman, and six others wounded in the incident. He disputed the police version, however, saying the vehicle became stuck and the police inside panicked and opened fire on homes nearby.

Police also reported the discovery Friday of the body of a man who had been shot to death in nearby Zonkizizwe squatter camp, where the bodies of nine others were found on Thursday hacked, stabbed and shot to death, apparent

victims of the ANC-Inkatha faction fighting.

Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok Thursday placed Zonkizizwe under a 9 p.m.-to-4 a.m. curfew in a bid to curb the violence, noting ''69 residents have already lost their lives at the hands of criminal elements in this area in recent times.''

The latest outbreak of violence in Zonkizizwe is said to have been provoked by a rent boycott endorsed by local ANC supporters but opposed by Inkatha members.

In the Cape, police reported a second member of the police dog unit was shot and killed in the mixed-race area of Landsdowne after he and his partner had stopped a motorist for questioning.

Last week, in the black township of Kayelitsha, another member of the unit was gunned down.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - There may be long lines at the gasoline pumps today as drivers fill up to beat a higher tax. The tax on gasoline increases five cents a gallon tomorrow. This increase is part of the budget agreement reached in October.

President Bush and congressional leaders will meet today to discuss whether a special session of Congress is needed because of the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush has welcomed the U-N resolution authorizing military force against Iraq.

President Bush has signed a bill intended to increase the flow of skilled workers into the United States. Bush calls the new immigration bill ''good for America.''

Cape Canaveral workers say they have found no major technical problems during the countdown for the shuttle Columbia launch. The trip has been delayed for six months because of fuel leaks. The launch is scheduled for Sunday morning.

Sotheby's auction house in London has sold a 13th century encyclopedia on animals for nearly six-Million dollars. That is the second highest amount on record for a manuscript.

-30- 1205

#90334u0464 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW BALTIMORE, MI (NOV. 30) UPI - A soldier's letters to his hometown newspaper about life on the front lines of Operation Desert Shield so outraged his commanding officer that the Air Force is threatening to censor any future letters.

Excerpts of the letters from Sgt. Dick Runels of the 927th Tactical Airlift Group stationed in the Persian Gulf were published in the Oct. 24 and Nov. 1 issues of The Bay Voice, a weekly newspaper.

In the letters, Runels, 42, wrote about such things as fear and frustration, heat and fleas, and postal clerks who deliberately lose soldiers' mail if they're crossed.

He also criticized the U.S. mission in the Middle East. ''There is no threat to the U.S. except that we might pay $2 a gallon for gas,'' he wrote in his second letter.

Runels was chewed out after his commander apparently obtained a copy of the letters, said Tom Stanton, editor of The Bay Voice and a friend of the soldier.

''The base commander called him in and really ripped into him,'' Stanton said. ''He told him that his columns didn't reflect what was going on at the base, that his opinions were wrong and that he didn't have any constitutional rights as a soldier. And he told him he'd have to go through censors from now on.''

Stanton said the commander probably learned of the letters either through military public affairs at nearby Selfridge Air National Guard Base in Mount Clemens or through other unit members with family in the area.

Officials at the Air Force Reserve headquarters in Georgia said military public affairs officers must review anything soldiers write for publication to guard against security violations.

But Stanton, who said Runels gave him permission to publish the letters, said the letters are no different from those written to family members and then published in newspapers.

''This has nothing to do with security,'' Stanton said. ''This is one officer wanting to control a soldier's opinion.''

Stanton said he received another letter from Runels earlier this week, but has decided not to publish it and is consulting his lawyers over whether to print others.

In the latest letter, Runels writes: ''I am terribly frustrated because I don't know exactly what to write. This may be ready by anybody ... or nobody.''

-30- 2494

#90334u0502 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 30) UPI - Administration sources say President Bush will announce his new director of the war against drugs today- Governor Bob Martinez of Florida.

Martinez was defeated for re-election. The sources say Martinez will join Bush at the White House today for the announcement. The current anti-drug leader, William Bennett, has his last day on the job today. He is expected to become chairman of the Republican National Committee in January.

President Bush has signed into law an anti-crime bill which Congress weakened. The administration proposed the bill in May 1989 and included provisions for expanding the federal death penalty. Congress did NOT agree and also left out provisions for limiting appeals by condemned prisoners and toughening penalties for criminal use of a firearm. Bush says he is disappointed about many of the changes. The bill does increase money for the F-B-I and local law enforcement and increases penalties for child abuse.

General Motors has announced another cut in production that means its output for the fourth quarter will fall 292-thousand cars and trucks from its original plans. Analysts say this announcement means G-M expects a severe drop in demand for cars because of the slowing economy. G-M Chairman Robert Stempel said the automakers earnings will fall sharply.

U-S health officials say the number of AIDS cases in Europe jumped 62 percent between March 1989 and March 1990. The increase was particularly dramatic in eastern Europe. The Centers for Disease Control says many of the AIDS cases in Eastern Europe are spread through transfusion of contaminated blood and use of UNsterilized needles in hospitals.

Bulgarian Prime Minister Andrei Lukanov resigned yesterday, in a victory for hundreds of thousands of workers who have conducted a four-day-old general strike. Workers surrounding the Parliament building wildly cheered his announcement. They have been protesting shortages of basic food and gasoline. Lukanov's supporters overthrew the hardline communist government a year ago. He won office in parliamentary voting in June.

Stocks drifted lower yesterday. The Dow Jones industrial average fell more than 16 points. The Dow fell 25 points at one point on a false rumor that shots were fired in the Persian Gulf. Traders then decided to take their profits before the U-N Security Council vote on authorizing force in the gulf. The council voted after the market closed to allow military force to get Iraq out of Kuwait.

The New York Daily News has filed a 150-Million-dollar racketeering suit against 23 striking drivers, a union and a group representing all strikers. It charges them with conducting a ''campaign of terror'' against replacement workers and newsstand owners. The suit includes allegations of attempted murder, arson, extortion and robbery. About 25- hundred News workers have been on strike since October 25th.

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#90334u0513 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

CENTRAL FALLS, RI (NOV. 30) UPI - A tavern owner who authorities allege ran a cocaine empire in the Northeast for more than 10 years enjoyed a markedly different reputation in his hometown - one of a generous benefactor.

Police Chief Robert Sasso said Hector Garcia, 50, paid the college tuitions of children in his small city, gave frequently to charities and covered the costs of weddings even if the couples were not related to him.

''If you met him and didn't know his background, you'd think he was a prince '' Sasso said in Friday's Providence Journal-Bulletin.

On Thursday, Garcia made a brief appearance in U.S. District Court, Providence to answer charges he was the ''high priest'' of the Northeast cocaine trade through the 1980s.

He was ordered held without bail pending a detention hearing. During the court proceedings, about a dozen of Garcia's supporters from Central Falls stood behind him. Some wept openly.

Garcia moved from Colombia to Central Falls in 1979 and three years later opened the Sportsman's Tap on Sheridan Street. He was elected director of the now-defunct Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, helped organize a popular adult soccer league, made his bar a gathering spot for hundreds of Colombian immigrants, and became known in the community as ''La Cura,'' a nickname meaning ''The Priest'' or ''The Godfather,'' Sasso said.

Law enforcement officials allege, however, that Garcia came to Rhode Island to establish a decidedly different kind of business.

''When the original drug cartels were formed, they sent out emissaries all over the world to set up business,'' said Raymond Moffett, a member of the state Attorney General's narcotics squad. ''(Garcia) was one of the original settlers, one of the original entrepreneurs.''

Garcia lived a modest lifestyle despite the wealth he allegedly accumulated from the cocaine trade. He drove a 1986 Pontiac and lived on the first floor of a triple-decker attached to his tavern.

The residence, however, was furnished with plush carpets and televisions in every room. Also, he owned a 500-acre ranch in Colombia, to which he returned briefly in 1985, Sasso said.

Narcotics investigators had suspicions about Garcia dating to the early 1980s but were never able to get anything on him because he was well insulated from any drug transactions, officials said.

That changed late last spring when Newport police detective Michael Brennan

convinced a friend of Garcia's to become an informant. The friend, whose identity is being kept secret, became a cocaine dealer in Newport and wore a recording device during meetings at the Sportsman's Tap, a federal affidavit said.

He set up or made drug buys 13 times from May to October of this year, each time dealing with underlings of Garcia, according to the affidavit.

Federal and state narcotics agents raided the bar Wednesday night and arrested Garcia and four others. The Drug Enforcement Administration has seized the Sportsman's Tap as well as the building Garcia lived in and owned.

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#90334u0525 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (NOV. 30) UPI - The first convoy in a massive German effort to send food to the Soviet Union left Bonn Friday, and relief officials huddled to discuss how to distribute the shipment once it reaches the hungry nation.

The German Foreign Ministry set up a special team called ''Soviet Union-Aid'' to coordinate emergency assistance by the government and humanitarian organizations that is expected to total hundreds of millions of dollars.

The Soviet Union is suffering a food crisis. Dozens of initiatives have been set up to collect funds and food parcels to help its citizens get through the normally harsh Russian winter.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Germany will put food stocks worth about $338 million at the disposal of the Soviet Union. The food was stored in West Berlin as a strategic reserve held for the eventuality of a renewed blockade of the city like the one imposed by the Soviet Union in 1948-49 at the start of the Cold War.

A senior government aide, Horst Teltschik, said that at a meeting in Moscow earlier this week, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev told him his country needs a total of 1.9 million tons of food.

A truck convoy of the German Red Cross carrying food parcels left Bonn for the Soviet Union Friday, the first of several planned.

Soviet officials and Western diplomats in Moscow said earlier that the food crisis was caused by transportation and distribution problems rather than by overall food shortages.

Relief officials expressed confidence the food would reach those it is destined for, and they were meeting in Bonn Friday to coordinate emergency measures and discuss the logistics of distributing the food.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	46	24	....
Anchorage sy	-02	-07	....
Asheville sy	51	25	....
Atlanta sy	52	30	....
Baltimore sy	69	28	....
Billings pc	53	42	....
Birmingham sy	53	27	....
Bismarck w	50	20	....
Boston sy	69	35	....
Brownsville mc	69	54	....
Buffalo pc	40	29	....
Burlingtn Vt. pc	60	29	....
Charlestn S.C. sy	76	44	....
Charlotte sy	64	32	....
Chicago sy	38	28	....
Cincinnati sy	44	23	....
Cleveland sy	36	25	....
Columbus Ohi sy	43	24	....
Dallas sy	58	32	....
Denver pc	54	34	....
Des Moines sy	47	36	....
Detroit sy	40	23	....
Duluth pc	29	25	....
El Paso f	59	31	....
Evansville sy	46	26	....
Fargo cy	45	26	....
Hartford sy	49	30	....
Honolulu sy	88	75	....
Houston sy	64	32	....
Indianapolis w	40	24	....
Jackson Miss. sy	57	30	....
Jacksonville w	73	41	....
Kansas City sy	49	39	....
Las Vegas f	59	36	....
Little Rock sy	54	37	....
Los Angeles pc	77	54	....
Louisville sy	48	25	....
Memphis sy	53	31	....
Miami Beach w	80	71	....
Milwaukee w	38	30	....
Minneapolis pc	37	28	....
Nashville sy	50	26	....

New Orleans sy	61	47	....
New York sy	69	35	....
Oklahom Cty sy	55	35	....
Omaha f	47	30	....
Orlando w	84	50	.04
Philadelphia sy	69	31	....
Phoenix sy	74	50	....
Pittsburgh sy	39	25	....
Portland Me. sy	63	29	....
Portland Ore. sh	52	37	.52
Providence sy	57	33	....
Richmond sy	70	30	.03
St. Louis sy	47	34	....
Salt Lak Cty mc	44	31	....
San Antonio pc	63	34	....
San Diego pc	73	49	....
San Francisc pc	59	49	....
San Juan sh	84	74	.66
Seattle sh	51	37	.28
Spokane pc	45	30	.10
Tampa w	83	49	....
Washington sy	70	34	.01
Wichita w	51	37	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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MOSCOW (NOV. 30) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev canceled a planned trip Friday to the troubled southwestern Soviet republic of Moldavia, where he was hoping to ease ethnic tension and dissuade separatists, the official Tass news agency said.

The one-day trip to Kishinev, announced Thursday, would have been Gorbachev's first visit to a Soviet republic outside the Russian Federation where the capital is located since a politically uncomfortable stop in Lithuania in January.

Gorbachev has been criticized at home for traveling around the world and concentrating on foreign affairs while the Soviet Union was facing economic crisis, separatist movements and ethnic disputes in many of its 15 republics.

During his visit to Moldavia Gorbachev had planned to address the Parliament in Kishinev and was to meet with representatives of the breakaway Russian-speaking Dniester and Turkic-speaking Gagauzi regions of the republic.

''A new date for the trip will be announced later,'' Tass said. No reason was given for the change of plans.

But Moldavian Prime Minister Mircha Snegur blamed the change in plans on the minority groups that have set up their own separate parliaments, saying they had refused to travel to Kishinev and resume participation in the republic's legislature to meet with Gorbachev.

The Moldavian Popular Front, which now controls the republic's parliament and ultimately seeks to break from the Soviet Union and unite with neighboring Romania, had called for mass demonstrations during Gorbachev's visit.

On the Soviet president's last trip to a rebellious republic, Gorbachev was confronted by Lithuanians in January who angrily demanded independence for their Baltic republic that was annexed by the Soviet Union in 1940 under the infamous Molotov-Ribbentrop pact with Nazi Germany.

While Moldavia has declared sovereignty and is seeking to take more control over the republic from the central government, it has not declared full independence from the Soviet Union.

Besides an effort to calm ethnic tensions in Moldavia that have led to violent clashes and at least three deaths, Gorbachev had been expected to push for acceptance of his new ''union treaty'' to continue to bind the Soviet republics into one country.

Russians and Ukrainians in the Dniester region of eastern Moldavia and the Turkic-speaking Gagauzis in the south declared separate autonomous republics earlier this year because of fears the republic would split from the Soviet Union and minority rights would be trampled under Moldovian nationalism.

Both regions held elections to separate Parliaments, defying efforts by Moscow to prevent them and declarations by the Moldavian parliament that they were held illegally and the results were not valid.

The new Dniester parliament, which convened Thursday after last weekend's elections, is dominated by Russian and Ukrainian communists who are demanding the resignation of the Moldavian government, repeal of a law making a Romanian dialect the official language and a commitment by the republic to remain inside the Soviet Union.

A republic of 4.4 million people, Moldavia was formed by joining a former Moldavian autonomous area of the Ukraine with large parts of Romania that Josef Stalin seized in 1940 as part of the secret pact with Adolf Hitler.

Moldavians, who are ethnic Romanians, make up 64 percent of the republic's population, Ukrainians 14.2 percent, Russians 12.8 percent and Gagauzis 3.5 percent.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - The countdown for Sunday's launch of the shuttle Columbia is going smoothly. This is the scientific mission that has been delayed since May because of fuel leaks.

America's new ambassador to Lebanon, Ryan Crocker, presented his credentials to Beirut authorities yesterday. Crocker pledged to secure freedom for the six Americans and six other foreigners held hostage in Lebanon.

Bulgarian Prime Minister Andrei Lukanov resigned yesterday. His fall follows a general strike by workers who were protesting food and gasoline shortages.

South African black leaders, some of them ideological foes, met for six hours yesterday to discuss violence and negotiations with the government. Archbishopo Desmond Tutu brought them together.

Federal health officials say at least 57 people have been poisoned by the drug gamma hydroxy butrate. It is used for body-building, weight control and as a sleep aid. NO deaths are reported, but 11 people were hospitalized.

Jury selection began in Los Angeles yesterday in the trial of Arthur Jackson, who is accused of threatening to kill actress Theresa Saldana. He previously was convicted of trying to kill her and allegedly made threats while jailed.

Sweden says U-S military deserters are NOT welcome as they were during the Vietnam War. The Foreign Ministry says asylum rules were tightened last year. It says NO G-I wanting to avoid Mideast duty has asked for asylum.

A French photographer missing for a week in a mountain jungle in Peru has been found alive and well. He and nine other journalists were thrown from a raft into a turbulent river. The others were rescued earlier.

Former journalist Nicholas Daniloff is going back to the Soviet Union where he was imprisoned by the K-G-B in 1986 and threatened with the death penalty. Daniloff says he will lecture next spring at Moscow University.

About 400 journalists rallied in Dhaka, Bangladash, today to protest a new censorship order. They vowed NOT to publish newspapers until censorship ends. The censorship is part of a state of emergency declared Tuesday.

Commercials for cigarettes are banned starting tonight on Hong Kong's television stations. The two stations are expected to lose eight to 10 of their advertising income.

More Japanese are leaving home for vacations. A Japanese tourist organization says nearly a tenth of the population will go abroad in 1990... 83 percent as tourists. The most popular destination is the United States.

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HARRISBURG, PA (NOV. 30) UPI - Pennsylvania has become the 21st state to abandon the electric chair in favor of injection as the method for executing murderers.

Gov. Robert P. Casey Thursday signed a bill retiring the chair, which has not been used since 1962.

The lethal injection passed the state Senate last April but House members only approved the measure by a 170-21 margin two weeks ago. The law takes effect immediately.

Supporters of the bill say lethal injection is a quicker, more humane and less painful way to put prisoners to death. Officials said a prisoner would be dead within three minutes of injection.

But the American Civic Liberities Union of Pennsylvania and the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference opposed the bill, saying the only way to make capital punishment more humane is to abolish it.

Some legal experts said the change could lead to more appeals for the 118 inmates on death row in the state.

''I think it's very likely that anyone sentenced to die in the electric chair will argue that you can't change the penalty,'' said Dickinson law professor Arthur Murphy. ''And the courts will have to deal with that.''

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ATLANTA (NOV. 30) UPI - Former President Jimmy Carter urged world leaders to wait as long as a year to see if economic sanctions force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait before mounting a military campaign.

Carter ended two days of private meetings in Atlanta on Lebanon and economic development in the Middle East Thursday, saying he hopes an invasion does not follow the U.N. Security Council's resolution authorizing military action to liberate Kuwait.

''I am not in favor of a military invasion of Iraq,'' he said at a news conference at the Carter Presidential Center. ''I would be willing to wait 12 months'' for economic sanctions to work.

''Patience is much better than a precipitous launching of a military attack,'' Carter added.

The former president also labeled ''excessive'' the number of U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf region, estimated to be more than 400,000 by January.

''We're already past the point of not being able to rotate the Marines,'' he said. ''It's hard to put troops in a region like the Saudi desert and not let them rotate at all and keep them there 12 months.''

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#90334u0599 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for November 29: Purchases of 618,085 shares and sales of 314,664 shares including 96,045 shares sold short.

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#90334u0620 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
AUSTIN, TX (NOV. 30) UPI - A state appeals court has indefinitely delayed the Monday execution of Henry Lee Lucas, a one-eyed drifter who horrified the nation with claims of a cross-country murder spree.

Lucas, 54, was to die by injection early Monday for the 1979 rape- murder near Georgetown of an unidentified female hitchhiker nicknamed ''Orange Socks'' for the only item of clothing found on her body.

But the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals granted a stay Thursday to give the court time to review issues raised by Lucas' attorneys.

Notified by telephone of the reprieve from his first execution date, Lucas ''sounded kind of numb, probably because of the tension he was under,'' said

Al Foster, an investigator with the law firm representing Lucas.

The court said it wanted more time to review Lucas's case in light of a 1989 Supreme Court decision involving jury consideration of ''mitigating circumstances'' that might sway them to sentence a convicted killer to life in prison rather than death. In Lucas' case, such a circumstance might be evidence he was abused by his mother.

''The Court of Criminal Appeals has just stayed these things right and left,'' said Assistant Attorney General Bob Walt. ''There are close to 20 cases backed up on this very issue.''

Lucas - one of the first people to be dubbed a serial killer - claims he confessed to 4,000 crimes after being arrested in Texas in 1982. But Texas Rangers officially attributed to him more than 250 crimes in 26 states.

Texas Rangers escorted Lucas across the nation for interviews with police agencies hoping to clear unsolved murders off their books. He claimed most of the killings were carried out during cross-country travels with Ottis Toole, who is serving life prison terms for two Florida murders.

Evidence later began to surface that Lucas could not have committed some of the crimes to which he confessed, and Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox publicly expressed serious doubts about Lucas' guilt in the ''Orange Socks'' case.

Lucas since has recanted all of his confessions, saying he only murdered one person, his mother. He spent 15 years in a Michigan prison for her 1960 slaying.

Lucas once said he confessed because of the lure of fame and the good treatment he received from the Texas Rangers. He now claims he was drugged, threatened and forced to confess.

In a death row interview earlier this week, Lucas said he did not fear execution because he would go to heaven. He said his only crime was embarrassing police who accepted his bogus confessions to more than 250 murders.

''I have done nothing to cause the death of my life except those false confessions, and I've asked forgiveness for those, which I feel God hasforgiven me for,'' Lucas said.

''According to His promise, I'll have heaven waiting for me,'' he said.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	42	06
Amsterdam cy	1pm	43	06
Ankara c	3pm	56	13
Athens pc	2pm	68	20
Auckland pc	12m	62	17
Beijing c	8pm	23	-04
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin pc	1pm	35	02
Bonn cy	1pm	40	04
Brussels c	1pm	43	06
Cairo hz	2pm	77	25
Casablnc pc	12n	61	16
Copenhgn c	1pm	34	01
Dakar cy	12n	77	25
Dublin pc	1pm	49	09
Geneva pc	1pm	43	06
Helsinki s	2pm	24	-04
Hong Kng c	8pm	63	17
Jerusalem c	2pm	69	21
Karachi c	5pm	85	29
Lisbon cy	1pm	46	08
London cy	1pm	46	08
Madrid c	1pm	45	07
Malta c	1pm	61	16
Manila cy	8pm	85	29
Moscow cy	3pm	32	00
Nairobi cy	3pm	74	23
Nassau c	7am	76	24
New Delhi c	6pm	72	22
Nice c	1pm	55	13
Oslo cy	1pm	36	02
Paris c	1pm	43	06
Pretoria c	2pm	88	31
Riyadh m	3pm	mm	mm
Rome cy	1pm	54	12
Seoul cy	9pm	51	10
Sofia r	2pm	40	04
Stockhlm pc	1pm	26	-03
Sydney pc	10pm	69	21
Taipei cy	8pm	63	17
Tokyo cy	9pm	70	21
Tunis c	1pm	55	13
Vienna pc	1pm	39	04
Warsaw c	1pm	35	01

Latin America

Buenos Aires r	9am	56	13
Caracas dr	8am	67	19
Havana pc	7am	74	23
Lima cy	7am	66	19
Mexico City hz	6am	47	08
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	81	27
Santiago c	8am	63	17

Canada

Calgary pc		44	06
Edmonton pc		41	04
Montreal c		46	07
Ottawa c		43	06
Regina cy		44	06
Toronto pc		38	03
Vancouver pc		48	08
Winnipeg cy		33	00

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90334u0636 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (NOV. 30) UPI - The Finance Ministry plans to auction about $1.69 billion of two-year government notes early next week, financial sources said Friday.

The sources said the coupon rate will likely be set at 6.8 percent to 6.9 percent.

They said the ministry also is considering auctioning treasury bills only once in December instead of twice as it has done previously, because the amount of such bills due in December is relatively small at $9.2 billion.

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ATHENS, GREECE (NOV. 30) UPI - The Soviet Union is not presently considering sending a force to the Persian Gulf, but its legislature will decide on the issue if necessary, Tehran radio Friday quoted an emissary of Mikhail Gorbachev as saying.

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Vladimir Petrovsky arrived in Tehran Tuesday as Gorbachev's special emissary to hear Iranian views on the gulf crisis. He left Thursday, as the U.N. Security Council passed a resolution authorizing a military force to drive Iraq out of Kuwait if it doesn't leave by Jan. 15.

Petrovsky said Moscow was not at present considering sending its own force to the gulf. He said if Moscow thought it necessary, the Supreme Soviet legislature would decide whether the Soviet Union should send a force to the gulf.

The Soviet Union, as a permanent U.N. Security Council member, voted for the new resolution. The nation, however, has not contributed any troops to the U.S.-led multinational force now deployed in the gulf region.

The Voice of the Islamic Republic radio, monitored in Athens, quoted Petrovsky as saying Soviet leaders used strong language when discussing the gulf crisis with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz during his recent visit to Moscow.

In the talks with Aziz, the Kremlin asked Iraq to respect the Security Council resolutions demanding that it pull out of Kuwait, Petrovsky said.

Time was running out for a peaceful solution to the crisis and Iraq would bring irrevocable danger to the region if it continued to show no respect for the Security Council resolutions, the Soviet emissary said.

Petrovsky, who brought a special verbal message from Gorbachev for Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani, said Iranian views on the crisis were of special interest to Moscow.

At Friday prayer ceremonies in Tehran, Rafsanjani repeated his call for Iraq to pull its forces out of Kuwait.

''From the first moments of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, we opened two files '' separating the Kuwaiti crisis from Tehran's own quarrel with Baghdad arising out of the Iran-Iraq war of 1980-88, he said.

''In Baghdad, we even told the president: You must quit Kuwaiti soil, '' Rafsanjani said. He was apparently referring to a recent visit to Baghdad by Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati, who delivered a verbal message to President Saddam Hussein.

But he said Iran also told Saddam that whatever happened in Kuwait, ''anyway, we shall honor the decisions of the Security Council contained in Resolution 598,'' which was instrumental in ending the Iran-Iraq war.

Iran has made it clear repeatedly that it does not wish to be drawn militarily into the Iraq-Kuwait conflict.

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NEW WAVERLY, TX (NOV. 30) UPI - Two high school coaches have been suspended from their jobs for allegedly holding a starter's pistol to a student's head and threatening to hang him.

Head football coach Larry Spacek and assistant coach Steve Ramsey were relieved of their duties with pay Wednesday, New Waverly school board President Alton Adams said Thursday.

Walker County deputies are investigating the incident, which allegedly was done in jest to chide the 14-year-old student into improving his grades so he could play football next year.

The school board will consider the men's continued employment at a Dec. 18 meeting, Superintendent Alvin Davis said.

Spacek and Ramsey each have hired attorneys in the case, and both declined comment.

Adams said he was told Spacek, 34, and Ramsey, 37, were trying to impress upon Josh Clark the importance of bringing up his grades.

''That's an odd way to try to impress someone,'' Adams said. ''No, it's worse than that.''

The boy's mother, Thea Clark, said her son, a New Waverly Middle School student, was in the high school gym earlier this week when the coaches asked to see Josh in their office.

''Coach Spacek got to talking with me about my grades and then Coach Ramsey said he was tired of me,'' the boy said.

He said Spacek took an extension cord from his desk and told the youth to put his hands behind his back because he was going to tie him up.

''Then he told me to look up at the ceiling, that he was going to hang me from there,'' the boy said.

When he refused to hold still so his hands could be tied, the boy said, Ramsey told Spacek to wait because he had something ''better'' for the student.

Ramsey retrieved the starter's pistol from his truck, grabbed Josh in a hammerlock and held the gun to his temple, the boy said.

''I was hollering,'' said Josh, who said he did not know the gun was a starter's pistol. ''I thought he was going to shoot me but Coach Spacek told him not to.''

Investigators have recovered the gun and the extension cord, said Walker County Chief Deputy Billy Linville. Information in the case will be presented to the district attorney's office for review and probably will be taken to a grand jury, he said.

The starter's pistol was not loaded and is ''just a noisemaker,'' Linville said.

''I don't care if it was just a starter gun,'' said Thea Clark, who has filed complaints about the incident with the sheriff and justice of the peace. ''You don't play with a kid that way.

''There's a whole lot of mothers and fathers in this town, that if that had happened to their kid, Spacek and Ramsey wouldn't be walking around.''

Clark said her son has had nightmares about the incident and has refused to go to school out of fear other teachers will side with the coaches.

Spacek is in his second year as head coach in New Waverly, about 70 miles north of Houston, while Ramsey is in his first year.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Law enforcement officials have warned five prominent New Yorkers that their names were found on a list kept by the man accused of killing radical Zionist Meir Kahane, Newsday reported Friday.

The newspaper said Rep. Gary Ackerman, D.-N.Y., two federal judges, a former assistant U.S. attorney and a columnist for the weekly Jewish Press were on the list.

Some of those on the list found in Nosair's Cliffside Park, N.J., home, were involved in the extradition from Venezuela through Brooklyn of terrorist suspect Abdul Atta, a Moslem clerk linked to a terrorist group, the paper said.

Neither police nor the FBI would comment on the report.

FBI officials have said they believe Nosair acted alone when he gunned down Kahane during a Nov. 5 conference in New York City and were still trying to determine if he was back by a terrorist group.

New York police Capt. Steve Davis said police are conducting a homicide investigation into Kahane's death and not concentrating terrorist links.

Newsday quoted law enforcement officials as saying the list strengthens the theory that the killing of the militant, right-wing politician and founder of the militant Jewish Defense League, might be part of a conspiracy against Jewish Americans.

The paper said investigators found names of Ackerman, U.S. District Court judges Jack B. Weinstein and Edward Korman, former Assistant U.S. Attorney Jacques Simmelman, and Howard Adelman, a columnist in the Jewish Press, scrawled on a bank calendar.

Law enforcement officials told Newsday that Nosair has not explained the list of names, but warned those named to take precautions.

''The words 'hit list' weren't written on the calendar or anything like that '' a law enforcement source told Newsday. ''But what purpose would he have them for? He had no legitimate business with these people, no social contacts. So we've warned them to be careful.''

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) UPI - The Index of Leading Economic Indicators, a barometer of economic activity over the next six to nine months, fell 1. 2 percent in October for the fourth straight monthly decline, the government said Friday.

''It's weak. It's weak,'' said Robert Dederick, chief economist at Northern Trust in Chicago. ''The leading indicators are telling us what we already have known, that we're in a decline and there's more to the come.

''The leading indicators aren't saying this thing is about to blow itself out quickly,'' Dederick added.

The index fell 0.8 percent in September, dropped 1.2 percent in August and declined 0.1 percent in July, according to revised data released by the Commerce Department and its Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Of the 11 economic indicators that make up the index, eight declined during October while three advanced.

The following indicators decreased: index of consumer expectations, average

weekly initial claims for state unemployment insurance, average workweek, building permits, money supply in 1982 dollars, stock prices, change in sensitive materials prices, and vendor performance.

Manufacturers orders for consumer goods and materials, contracts and orders for plant and equipment, and change in manufacturers unfilled orders all scored increases during last month.

Over the last 12 months, the index has tumbled 1.9 percent, a government spokesman said. Over the last six months, it has plunged 2.5 percent, the spokesman added.

The composite index of coincident indicators - a monthly approximation of aggregate economic activity - dropped 1 percent in October after falling 0.8 percent in September and 0.2 percent in August.

The composite index of lagging indicators fell 0.3 percent last month after dropping 0.1 percent in September and 0.4 percent in August, the Commerce Department also reported.

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BONN, GERMANY (NOV. 30) UPI - Political parties wound up their campaigns Friday for the first free, all-German elections in 58 years - voting that will seal the nation's reunification, 13 months after the fall of the Berlin Wall.

A total of 59.9 million Germans are eligible to choose Sunday from 40 parties and 3,696 candidates to fill the 656 seats of the Bundestag, the German parliament.

Berliners will also vote in city elections, the first since 1946 in the whole of Berlin.

Helmut Kohl is heavily favored in surveys to win election as chancellor of the reunified nation. His main challenger, Social Democrat Oskar Lafontaine, focused on the economic troubles of eastern Germany, challenging Kohl's assertion the government will not need to raise taxes to meet costs linked to the reunification.

Political parties held their last rallies Friday at the end of a campaign that centered on the Oct. 3 reunification of Germany and its economic implications.

The Kohl-Lafontaine tax debate has provided the only excitement in an otherwise drab electoral campaign.

Kohl said two weeks ago it might be necessary to impose new duties in certain areas, stressed they were not linked to unification and admitted that it makes

little difference to voters wether they pay new duties or higher taxes.

Opinion polls show that Kohl's conservative-led government coalition will remain in power.

The latest surveys show that Kohl's Christian Democratic Party, together with its Bavarian ally, the Christian Social Union, would get 45 percent of the vote.

The liberal Free Democratic Party, the junior partner's in the coalition, would get 9.5 percent and the opposition Social Democratic Party 35 percent.

Sunday's voting will cap the dramatic changes in Germany's political landscape that started with the crumbling of communism in the East. The elections come 13 months after the Berlin Wall - Berlin's 28-year-old symbol of division - tumbled Nov. 9, 1989.

The last free, all-German elections were in November 1932. Adolf Hitler was named chancellor two months later.

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#90334u0668 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

OTTAWA (NOV. 30) UPI - Statistics Canada, the federal government's information gathering agency, confirmed Friday that the country is in an economic recession - something consumers and businesses have known for several months.

Gross domestic product fell 0.3 percent in the third quarter of 1990, the second consecutive quarter of negative growth this year. Output slumped 0.7 percent in the second quarter, as domestic demand slumped in response to unusually high interest rates and the proposed 7 percent Goods and Services Tax, scheduled to take effect on Jan. 1.

''We've had two quarters of negative growth. According to some people's definition, we are in a recession,'' said Statistics Canada spokesman Stewart Taylor.

Most economists have predicted the recession will last until early spring or late summer, mainly because interest rates are not expected to fall from their current level of 14.25 percent for loans to most favored customers.

Indeed, the country's central bank, the Bank of Canada, on Thursday raised its bank rate - which sets the trend for other Canadian interest rates - to 12.26 percent from 12.25 percent, after having allowed it to fall for four straight weeks.

The decline in economic activity has hit hardest at business investment.

Corporate profits have been dropping for six straight quarters, interest rates remain relatively high and businesses have had difficulty finding financing.

Consequently, the statistics agency said, plant and equipment spending plunged 4.9 percent over the past two quarters.

A strong Canadian dollar, coupled with rising wage settlements, made exports less competitive.

Consumers have become more cautious about spending and have deferred major purchases such as houses and automobiles.

However, Statistics Canada said wages and salaries grew just 0.9 percent during the third quarter - the smallest quarterly increase since 1983.

In other economic news, there was a slight improvement in the country's current account deficit, which amounted to $3.4 billion in the third quarter, the lowest deficit in the last 18 months. The decline was attributed to a drop in dividend payments from the high level in the second quarter.

Canada had a merchandise trade surplus of $3.2 billion and a deficit of $6.6 billion on non-merchandise transactions. Merchandise exports fell 2.7 percent to $36.5 billion in the third quarter, with significant decreases recorded for machinery and equipment, agricultural and forest products.

At the same time, third-quarter imports also fell 2.7 percent to $33.3 billion.

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BEIJING (NOV. 30) UPI - Senior Communist Party official Yan Mingfu, long rumored to be in trouble for openly sympathizing with last year's democracy protests, has been removed from his last remaining post, state television said Friday.

Word of Yan Mingfu's ouster was announced in a one-sentence report read over the nightly news broadcast.

''The Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party decided recently that Ding Guan'gen will take the position of head of the United Front Work Department, and that Yan Mingfu has been removed from his post,'' the report said.

The United Front is a Communist Party organization designed to promote contacts between overseas Chinese and the mainland.

Yan, an associate of deposed Communist Party head Zhao Ziyang, had already been removed last June from his key post as member of the party Central

Committee's secretariat.

Yan and Zhao were ousted from the leadership's ranks at a crucial party meeting held following the hard-line government's violent June 4, 1989, crackdown on the Tiananmen Spring democracy movement.

Unlike Zhao, who was openly blamed for supporting the protests and stripped of all his official posts, Yan was allowed to retain a position in the party leadership as head of the United Front but his political fortune was clearly on the wane.

Throughout last spring's protests, Yan tried repeatedly to establish a dialogue between irate senior leaders and student demonstrators demanding greater freedom.

At one point Yan publicly broke down in tears in Tiananmen Square, the center of the protests, over the inability of the two sides to come to an agreement.

Yan, a 59-year-old native of northeast Liaoning province, has been purged from power in the past. He was persecuted and jailed for several years during the chaotic 1966-76 Cultural Revolution.

Yan was elected to the party's ruling Central Committee in 1987.

His successor, Ding Guan'gen, had formerly headed the Taiwan Affairs Office under the State Council, China's Cabinet. Ding was replaced recently by reformist Wang Zhaoguo, the former governor of southeast Fujian province.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - The Commerce Department reports that a predictor of the U-S economy fell in October for the fourth straight month. The Index of Leading Economic Indicators lost one-point-two percent. Over the past 12 months it has lost nearly two percent and in six months it has fallen two and one-half percent. The index tracks 11 different economic indicators in an attempt to predict where the economy will be in six to nine months.

American drivers have been paying higher gasoline prices because of the embargo of petroleum from Iraq and Kuwait. When they fill up tomorrow and notice another increase, Saddam Hussein can NOT be blamed. Prices are going up five cents a gallon because of a higher federal tax. This is part of the October budget deal. Economists believe the tax added to a 60 percent price runup could slow gas consumption.

Police in South Africa say an armored personnel carrier loaded with police was ambushed during the night in a black township near Johannesburg. A spokesman says UNidentified gunmen fired at it and police fired back and wounded some

people. He said there were NO deaths. But the chairman of a tenants' committee says the vehicle became stuck in a ditch, the police panicked and fired on homes. He said two people were killed.

The hurricane season officially ends today and officially it is the most active season since 1969. There were 14 tropical weather systems since Junethat became strong enough to be named. But only one- hurricane Gustav- reached category three strength of 120-mile-an-hour winds and it threatened land only briefly. Only Diana moved out of the open central Atlantic. It hit Mexico and caused at least 96 deaths.

The nuclear-powered spacecraft Galileo is reported on course for its flyby of Earth on December 8th. It was launched in October 1989 and is scheduled to encounter Jupiter in 1995. Earth's gravity will bend its path, put it in orbit around the sun and set up another Earth flyby in two years that will give it a final boost to Jupiter.

Soviet space workers are preparing to launch a spacecraft carrying a Japanese broadcaster Sunday. The Soviet Union is doing this for money. The Tokyo Broadcasting System is paying 10-Million dollars to make Toyohiro Akiyamo the first journalist in space. The Soyuz rocket that will launch him was rolled onto the launch pad today, its sides plastered with signs advertising Japanese companies.

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DEERFIELD, Ill. (NOV. 30) UPI - NutraSweet Co. executives said they are shocked by a European Commission decision to impose a duty that could boost the cost of its low-calorie sweetner aspartame by 70 percent overseas, it was reported Friday.

''This is the highest duty ever imposed by the commission on a food product,'' company president Jan Bergman told the Chicago Tribune. ''We're shocked. We do not understand the basis for the commission's determination.''

Bergman said company executives will meet with commission members to clarify the issue and register concern.

The commission imposed the so-called ''anti-dumping'' duties on manufacturers of aspartame in the U.S. and Japan to protect Holland Sweetner Co., the only European producer of the product.

NutraSweet, a subsidiary of St. Louis-based Monsanto Corp., is the only producer in the United States until 1992, when its patent expires.

Holland complained to the commission that NutraSweet was unfairly marketing its product at much lower prices in Europe than in the U.S.

Spokesman Rich Nelson of NutraSweet said the company sells its product in Europe at 50 percent of the American price because its patents overseas have run out and the company must compete with others.

The tax amounts to $17 per pound on NutraSweet imports and $19 per pound on Japanese imports of their version of the product.

The commission said Holland's losses have been so severe ''they directly threaten the viability of the industry concerned.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $384.90, silver base of $4.13 and platinum price of $424.90:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$401.00	402.70
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	205.50	206.60
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.50	106.10
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	44.00	43.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	401.00	402.70
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	205.50	206.60
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.50	106.60
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	44.00	43.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	407.50	409.20
China Panda .50 troy oz.	210.00	210.30
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.00	109.30
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.00	47.20
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.00	28.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	401.00	402.80
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	205.00	205.80
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.50	104.00
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.50	44.80
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	400.00	400.90
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	207.00	207.50
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.50	106.50
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.50	45.30
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	400.00	400.90
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	205.50	206.10
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.00	88.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.50	45.80
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.50	24.30
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.55	$5.55

90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,170	$3,180
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,325	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	441.00	446.00
Isle of Man Noble	438.00	443.00
Canada Maple Leaf	449.00	455.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90334u0749 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

MAPUTO, MOZAMBIQUE (NOV. 30) UPI - A new constitution ending 15 years of Marxist rule and laying the groundwork for Mozambique's first multi- party polls took effect Friday, hours after President Joaquim Chissano urged right-wing guerrillas to join the political mainstream.

The constitution, hammered out over nearly a year of often-rancorous debate publicly and within the ruling Frelimo party, abolishes the one- party system established by Frelimo when it assumed power at the end of Portuguese rule.

It abandons all references to the ''leading role'' of Frelimo, specifies future elections will be held between competing parties with universal suffrage and secret ballots, and ends the requirement making the leader of Frelimo automatically the head of state.

The constitution also grants workers the right to strike, protects freedom of the press, guarantees the independence of the judiciary, and changes the name of the country.

Chissano, 50, appealed to the Renamo leadership Thursday to put down their weapons and challenge Frelimo's rule at the ballot box in national elections expected to be held in July or August.

''I call on Renamo to accept the democratic order and to participate, actively and in peace, in the building of the new Mozambique,'' Chissano told reporters. ''Renamo should do something very simple. It should participate in the democratic life of the country.''

With the exception of the country losing ''People's'' from its name the Republic of Mozambique, little was different in the capital Friday and few observers expect any substantial changes until Renamo agrees to end its

crippling war against Frelimo.

Despite having led his formerly Marxist-oriented party to accepting a pluralist constitution and shifting from a state economy to a liberally mixed one, Chissano defended socialism as ''a necessity, above all for a country such as ours.''

Chissano's government has been holding direct negotiations with Renamo in Rome in a bid to end the grinding war in which hundreds of thousands of civilians have been killed, and millions in the impoverished country uprooted or unable to feed themselves without international aid.

He said he hoped talks under way would lead to a cease-fire in the conflict, which began as a child of Rhodesian intelligence to destabilize Mozambique in its early years of independence. Support for Renamo shifted to Pretoria on Zimbabwean independence, but the South African government says its backing for the guerrillas has now ended.

Following a cease-fire, Chissano said, ''We will start a process by which we may eventually merge the forces that today are fighting, so that there is mutual trust and cooperation in a peaceful running of the elections.''

He noted Renamo must stop fighting to participate in the elections.

''No party will be allowed to run for election while practicing acts of violence,'' Chissano said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 71.50-72.50 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 118.63-123.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 37.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $192.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $430.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $432.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 284.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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PHILADELPHIA (NOV. 30) UPI - The rating on some $715 million of Philadelphia Water & Sewer System's revenue bonds Friday was placed on a credit watch by a leading debt rating service.

Standard & Poor's Corp. said it placed the notes now rated triple-B - or medium grade - on its CreditWatch with "negative implications," reflecting "the water department's need for a rate increase and the resulting impact on the water fund's cash position."

The department has proposed a $43.5 million rate increase that has been bogged down by political and legal restraints. "A delay in the rate action beyond Jan. 1 with increased borrowing for cash flow purposes ... would lead to a non-investment grade rating," S&P's said. Philadelphia's water department ran a deficit in fiscal 1990, which has continued into the current year.

The system's cash balances have been drawn down as a result of the operating deficits, S&P's said. The department this week will transfer $12.8 million from its renewal and replacement fund to cover the last fiscal year's operating deficit, and is exploring transfering the remaining balance of $25 million in the 1991 fiscal year.

"If adequate rate action is set in place by Jan. 1, the system should have sufficient revenues to maintain and restore adequate financial margins," S&P's

said.

The rating service cautioned that "if the rate action is delayed much beyond Jan. 1, the department's cash flow borrowing needs could increase leading to the possible tapping of the debt service reserve."

S&P's said the water department's fiscal pressures have been aggravated by the city's inability to fund it cash flow needs. But the system's bond rating is dependent on adequate rate relief "regardless of the city's ability to hand it's own cash flow problems." Philadelphia is nearly broke and has been unable to borrow money.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Advest Group	Q	.50	2-15	12-10
Amcore Financial	Q	.12 1/2	12-10	11-30
Cohasset Savings	Q	.06	1-2	12-14
First Security Ky	Q	.13	1-2	12-20
Flexsteel Indus	Q	.12	1-2	12-19
Long Island Lighting	Q	.37 1/2	1-1	12-10
Longview Fibre	Q	.13	1-10	12-24
MTS Systems Corp	Q	.10	1-2	12-7
Sec Fed S&L Clev	Q	.08	12-31	12-14
Tektronix Inc	Q	.15	2-4	1-18
US Shoe Corp	Q	.13	1-15	12-27
Wynn's Intl	Q	.15	1-2	12-10

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-Annual

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(NOV. 30) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Circus Circus Enterp (3rd Q 10-31)	
$206,116,000	$136,643,000
$26,016,000 (.95)	$21,870,000 (.77)
First City Fncl (9 Mos 9-30)	
$500,800,000	$703,200,000
d-$165,600,000	a-$205,400,000 (3.78)

a-Includes gain of $123,700,000 on sale of interest in Cantel Inc.
d-Deficit
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Medical Dynamics (1st Q 9-30)
$3,172,000 $3,543,000
d-$764,600 $60,900 (.02)
d-Deficit.

Metro Airlines Inc (2nd Q 10-31)
$61,944,000 $46,749,000
a-$1,971,000 d-$4,244,000
a-Includes an extraordinary loss of $712,000, or 12 cents a share, from the reversal figures in brackets are losses.
d-Deficit.

PCA International Inc (3rd Q 10-28)
$33,583,000 $29,571,000
$699,000 (.13) $573,000 (.15)

PWA Corp (3rd Q 9-30)
$768,600,000 $811,900,000
$37,600,000 (1.19) $33,600,000 (1.07)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Stoneridge Resrcs (4th Q 8-31)
$53,146,000 $43,162,000
d-$1,267,000 d-$3,584,000
d-Deficit

Tektronix Inc (2nd Q 11-10)
$309,357,000 $330,102,000
$11,693,000 (.41) $463,000 (.01)

Tembec Inc (4th Q 9-30)
$62,019,000 $57,255,000
$3,056,000 (.17) $7,926,000 (.52)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Toronto-Dominion Bk (4th Q 10-31)
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$125,283,000 (.37) $167,249,000 (.52)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

US Shoe (3rd Q 11-3)
$674,951,000 $646,670,000
$9,230,000 (.20) $18,233,000 (.41)

Wiley John & Sons (2nd Q 10-31)
$70,347,000 $66,016,000
a-$278,000 (.06) d-$222,000
a-Includes a net gain of $757,000, or 17 cents a share, related to the sale of a review-book series, offset by charges for the restructuring and rationalization of certain publishing lines, including the writedown of product development costs and intangibles.
d-Deficit.

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#90334u0862 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 30) UPI - The government's barometer of future economic activity over six to nine months fell one-point-two percent in October... the fourth consecutive monthly decline. Economist Robert Dederick at Northern Trust in Chicago says the index of leading indicators is saying that the economy is in a decline and- as he put it- ''there's more to come.'' Revised date show that the index fell eight-tenths of one percent in September... one-point-two percent in August, and one-tenth of one percent in July.

Former President Carter says he would be willing to wait one year to see if economic sanctions force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait before mounting any military actions. Carter says he is NOT in favor of a military invasion at this time. As Carter put it- ''Patience is much better than a precipitous launching of a military attack.''

Officials in Argentina are calling for a full investigation into the source of rumors of a plot to kill President Bush during a visit to the country next week. Argentina's interior minister says only one part of the story is true, that a resident of Bolivia has been arrested for possessing what is called ''false documentation.'' Bush is scheduled to be in Argentina on December 5th in the third stop of a five-nation tour of South America.

German officials are now working out how to distribute what could become 338-Million dollars of food stocks placed at the disposal of the Soviet Union. The first convoy of trucks carrying the food left Bonn for the Soviet Union today and more will follow. Oddly enough, the food had been stored in West Berlin as a strategic reserve in case the Soviet Union tried for a replay of its 1948 blockade of the city at the start of the Cold War.

Federal health officials are warning of severe side effects from illegal use of the drug G-H-B. At least 57 people have been poisoned while using the drug since August, some of them badly enough to require intensive hospital care. They were using the G-H-B for everything from body-building to weight control or as a sleep aid. But the F-D-A warns that UNauthorized use of G-H-B is illegal and should be stopped immediately.

A late Indian summer ended in the South and Middle Atlantic states, where

temperatures plunged down to about the freezing level this morning. In the Northwest, more rain fell over water-logged Washington state, where flood warnings are in effect on the Cedar and White rivers. Small craft advisories were posted over the northern east coast of Florida, where seas reached nine feet, and gale warnings are up off New Orleans for waters of the Gulf of Mexico.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (NOV. 30) UPI - The shuttle Columbia's countdown Friday ticked smoothly toward a blazing predawn launch Sunday with the ship's crew eager to finally blast off on an astronomy mission after four frustrating delays in six months.

Columbia's electrical generators were fueled Friday and NASA test director Albert Sofge said other than ''nickel and dime problems'' at pad 39B, all systems were ''go'' for launch Sunday at 1:28 a.m. EST to kick off a 10-day flight grounded since May by crippling fuel leaks.

''The team feels good,'' he said at a news briefing. ''We had a (fueling) test several weeks ago and the ship is tight. We'e all anxious to get (Columbia) out of town.''

With the shuttle ready for takeoff, NASA managers closely monitored the weather, concerned about high winds Friday and the prospect of low clouds at launch time Sunday. But Air Force forecasters called for a 65 percent chance of acceptable weather for the planned launching.

The shuttle's seven-man crew - a post-Challenger record - flew to the Kennedy Space Center from Houston late Thursday to make final preparations for takeoff a now-familiar routine after four previous delays dating back to May 30.

''We're sure looking forward to flying this time,'' said civilian astronomer Samuel Durrance. ''The vehicle as far as we know is in really good shape and I

know we're all ready to go. We're going to go do it this time.''

The goal of the 38th shuttle mission, the second in less than three weeks, is to turn Columbia into an orbital observatory with a $150 million battery of four high-tech telescopes in the ship's cargo bay to study X-rays and ultraviolet light from the most energetic stars and galaxies in the universe.

To gather as much data as possible, the astronauts will work around the clock in two 12-hour shifts.

Astronauts Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, and Durrance, 47, will make up the day shift, with co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, Robert Parker, 53, and civilian astronomer Ronald Parise, 39, making up the night shift. Skipper Vance Brand, 59, is not assigned to a specific shift.

NASA will only have two chances to get Columbia off the ground before Tuesday, when the launch team would have to stand down for about a week to replenish fuel for the shuttle's electrical generators and to service one of Columbia's on-board telescopes.

NASA normally does not face such tight constraints for shuttle launches, but because of the electrical demands of Columbia's telescope payload over a planned 10-day mission, the fuel supply for the ship's generators is more critical than usual.

If all goes well, Brand and Gardner will guide Columbia to a nighttime landing Dec. 11 at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., to close out the year's sixth and final mission, ending a long summer of setbacks and delays with the return to service of NASA's original space shuttle.

''We're ready and we're wanting to get on with it, we're really ready to fly '' Brand told reporters late Thursday. ''I really appreciate everybody's hanging in with us and all the hard work people have gone to in getting Columbia ready to fly. It's been along, tough fall for a lot of people.''

Liftoff will mark the second shuttle launch in just 17 days - the third in 57 days - tying a record set in 1985 for rapid-fire launchings.

Columbia's launch originally was scheduled for May 30, but the orbiter was grounded the night before by a potentially dangerous hydrogen fuel leak in the ship's engine room and around a massive fitting where propellant lines from the external tank enter the belly of the shuttle.

The ''17-inch disconnect'' fitting was replaced, but a separate leak grounded the ship twice more in September after yet another delay because of problems with the Broad Band X-ray telescope.

NASA then ordered a major investigation to pin down the source of the leakage

once and for all. After replacing three fuel pumps, two damaged valve seals and tightening virtually every fitting and connector in the engine room, Columbia finally passed a fueling test last month.

The goal of the flight is to study X-rays and ultraviolet light from deep space that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere. Such high-energy radiation provides important insights into the chemical and physical processes that govern the structure and evolution of the universe.

Unlike the Hubble Space Telescope, the telescopes making up Columbia's ''Astro-1'' payload will remain in the shuttle's payload bay throughout the flight, operated by the astronauts from the orbiter's crew cabin much like a regular observatory.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (NOV. 30) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Friday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

Major potato markets: FOB shipping points, per hundredweight unless otherwise stated:

Round reds (100 lb sacks) Colorado 8.50-9.00. Minnesota-North Dakota 8.50-9.50.

Norkotahs and Burbanks (100 lb sacks, non- size A) Colorado 6.00-6.50, Idaho 6.50-7.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) Wisconsin 11.00- 13.00, Washington 14.00-15.00, Colorado 12.00- 15.00, Idaho 14.00-16.00, Oregon 14.00-15.00; (50 lb cartons, 100 count) Wisconsin 8.00-8.50, Washington 11.00-12.00, Colorado 10.00-12.00, Idaho 10.00-11.00, Oregon 10.00-12.00.

Round whites (100 lb sacks) Wisconsin 5.75- 6.25.

Colorado centennials (100 lb sacks, non-size A) 5.50-6.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) 9.00- 12.00, (100 count) 7.00-10.00.

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TOKYO (NOV. 30) UPI - The cost of living in Tokyo, already the highest in the world, posted the sharpest year-on-year rise in eight years in October while the jobless rate remained stable, the government said in a preliminary report released Friday.

The government, in a separate report, said Japan's farming population has fallen more than 10 percent in five years since 1985, confirming a restructuring is taking place in the agriculture industry as popularity of farming is declining among young people.

The Management and Coordination Agency said consumer prices in the Tokyo area, the bellwether of the nationwide price trend, gained 3.9 percent in October over a year ago, equaling a similar rise in August 1982.

The October rise was the second highest after a record 4.3 percent surge in December 1981.

''It is true that the rise is fairly sharp but it is seen to be a temporary phenomenon and the basic price trend remains stable,'' said an official of the Economic Planning Agency.

The official noted the October rise was in reaction to a substantial fall in prices of fresh vegetables and fruits a year ago because of favorable weather.

He said the figure also reflected higher prices of oil products, including fuel for home use, ''but we are not seriously worried about the November data because, generally speaking, prices of most consumer goods, including oil products, showed signs of stabilizing in early November.''

The Management and Coordination Agency attributed the substantial price rise in October mainly to rising prices of fresh foods, clothes, automobile-related products and transportation costs.

The agency said prices of fresh vegetables and seaweed jumped 24.4 percent, with the rise of vegetables prices alone posting 35.6 percent.

The Economic Planning Agency official said food and clothing prices have peaked and showed signs of leveling off.

Consumer prices nationwide in October climbed 3.5 percent over a year ago, the highest since a 4.3 percent increase in December 1981, the agency said.

The agency said the consumer price index for the Tokyo area stood at 110.1 against the 1985 base of 100. The rise followed a 3.1 percent climb in September.

The Management and Coordination Agency, meanwhile, said Japan's unemployment rate in October remained unchanged at 2.2 percent from September, showing that

the nation's employment situation remained stable.

The agency said 1.392 million workers were out of jobs in October, an increase of 20,000 - or 1.5 percent - over a year ago.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries reported Japan's farming population has fallen 10.4 percent in five years since 1985, indicating a restructuring is taking place in the agriculture industry.

Citing its latest national census on agriculture and forestry, the ministry said the farming population stood at 17.3 million as of Feb. 1, down 10.4 percent from 1985.

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(NOV 30) UPI - Illinois State Police Trooper Walter Zeschke has received all kind of strange calls in the last week, the most common being a rumor that all the rivers and lakes in Southern Illinois are bubbling.

''We checked everywhere and couldn't find any bubbles,'' said Zeschke, who works out of an office near the Kentucky and Missouri borders. ''I imagine if you looked closely on top, you might find some bubbles.''

Wacky rumors like the bubbles show how a seven-state area of the Midwest has reacted to one man's prediction of a 50 percent chance of a major earthquake along the New Madrid Fault sometime between Saturday and Wednesday, with the most likely date being Monday.

The prognosticator is New Mexico climatologist and inventor Iben Browning. Browning based his projection on lunar and tidal forces and has stuck by it, even though his daughter said recently she thinks Asia faces a better chance of a major earthquake than the central United States.

Top earthquake experts say Browning's prediction has no scientific basis, but the climatologist claims credit for predicting the devastating temor that shook the San Francisco Bay area last October.

Northwestern University geology professor Emil Okal said Browning has ignored ''a large amount of (scientific) literature'' in making his prediction.

''And in the field of statistics, he starts with a bias data set,'' Okal said. ''If you include a full data set and run a statistical test, you find that his method of prediction is no better than throwing darts at a calender.

''When he takes credit for San Francisco, you have to remember that he never mentioned - I repeat - never mentioned North America for an earthquake for that day, let alone California, let alone San Francisco . .. So saying that

there will be an earthquake in a window of three days is tantamount to saying, 'It's going to rain somewhere.'''

Adding more fuel to the quake frenzy was the recent television mini- series, ''The Big One,'' about an earthquake in California. In that movie, methane gas bubbles are seen in the river and warm water gushes from newly dug wells.

Most of the intense media attention about the prediction has focused on the southern Missouri town of New Madrid. In 1811 and 1812, three earthquakes on the New Madrid Fault shook the central United States with a force that measured between 8.3 and 8.6 on the Richter scale. One of the quakes temporarily altered the course of the Mississippi River and created Reelfoot Lake in northern Tennessee, which still exists.

The fault stretches from Illinois to Mississippi, including portions of Tennessee, Arkansas, Kentucky, Indiana and Missouri. In the tiny town of New Madrid, the 3,300 residents are taking the prediction seriously, especially since reputable scientists said there is a strong possibility of a major quake on the fault in the next decade.

Several minor shakers in the last few months in Southern Illinois and southeastern Missouri have also put some people on edge.

''We just don't make light of it,'' said Angie Holtzhouser, office manager for the chamber of commerce.

The New Madrid County's civil defense unit has set up emergency shelters and brought in additional medical supplies. However, sheriff's Deputy Terry Stevens said the biggest problem so far has been finding additional parking for the roughly 100 electronic trucks and other vehicles from news media outlets.

''We've had to move the media a couple of times from the main business district,'' he said. ''They have been obstructing business parking. It has been hectic.''

In New Madrid and all over the Midwest, businesses and schools have held earthquake drills. People have stocked up on supplies, prepared their homes structurally and bought millions of dollars worth of earthquake insurance.

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OMAHA (NOV. 30) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 25; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 1,800; butchers 50-1.00 lower, weights over 270 lb 1.00 to mostly 1.50

lower; No 1-3 220-260 lb 48.00-48.50, few 210-220 lb 47.50, No 2-3 260-270 lb 47.00-48.00, 270-280 lb 46.50-47.00, 280-300 lb 44.50-45.50; sows 30 percent, 50-1.00 lower, No 1-3 325-650 lb 42.00, package 42.25.

Sheep none.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - Oil prices plunged early Friday as the market focused on a peaceful settlement of the Persian Gulf crisis after President Bush said he would send Secretary of State James Baker to Iraq if invited.

West Texas Intermediate for January delivery, the benchmark U.S. crude, at midday had plummeted $1.91 from Thursday's close to $31 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

WTI was trading slightly above $32 a barrel when Bush disclosed in his 11:00 a.m. EST address and news confernce that he will ask Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to meet in Baghdad with Baker. It then fell as low as $30.75 a barrel before stabilizing.

The president also invited Iraq's foreign minister, Tariq Aziz, to Washington to talk with him. Bush said he has had no signal that the invitation will be accepted.

Armed with Thursday's U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force to free Kuwait of Iraqi troops, Bush said he does not intend to offer any deal with Saddam, but instead tell him point blank that he must withdraw without conditions.

But oil traders chose the see the peace potential of the move.

''The Bush statement in combination with the move down through the $32 a-barrel resistance level is what did it,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading at United Energy Inc. in New York.

''Bush is taking a step in the right direction trying to negotiate a peace,'' Bentz said.

Prior to the president's White House statement and news conference, the WTI crude had already fallen 80 cents a barrel as the market interpreted the late-Thursday U.N. vote as increasing the chances of peace rather than war in the Middle East.

The U.N. resolution authorizes the use of force if Saddam has not evacuated Kuwait by Jan. 15.

''Traders are focusing on the six weeks left to negotiate a peace rather than the imminence of war,'' said Bob Jonke, an analyst with Cargill Investor Services in New York.

On Nov. 8, Bush said the U.S. embassy in Kuwait, which has been surrounded by Iraqi troops, had only enough food and supplies to last another ''few weeks, something of that nature.''

Asked about the embassy in his Friday news conference, the president said: ''There is a very interesting report that we got in this morning saying that some Iraqis showed up at the Kuwaiti embassy and delivered fruit, vegetables and a case of Iraqi cigarettes to Embassy Kuwait and apparently there's going to be another delivery tomorrow, including soda pop.''

On the Merc, home heating oil for December delivery was trading midday at 93.15 cents a gallon, down 0.37 cent from Thursday, and unleaded gasoline December contracts had lost 0.67 cent to 82.70 cents a gallon.

On the European spot market, where crude itself is bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent had given up 55 cents by midday to $33.75 a barrel.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - fell back 20 cents to $27. 80 a barrel.

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DETROIT (NOV. 30) UPI - Ford Motor Co. said Friday it will temporarily idle another three U.S. light truck plants next week because of a shortage of dealer orders, affecting about 5,150 workers.

Ford will halt production at truck plants in Wayne, Mich., and Louisville, Ky. and at its St. Louis, Mo., van plant. The one-week stoppages mean a combined loss of 8,300 pickups, vans and sport-utility trucks.

The temporary closings come in anticipation of weakening light truck sales, blamed on low consumer confidence and an economy some analysts say is already mired in a recession. Higher fuel prices reflecting the lingering Persian Gulf standoff have also dampened sales.

Several other Ford car and truck plants will enter their second week of downtime Monday, as previously announced by the No. 2 automaker. Among them are light truck factories in Edison, N.J., and Norfolk, Va., as well as a plant in St. Paul, Minn.

Ford's Michigan car plants in Dearborn and Wayne will also enter their second week of downtime on Monday, again stemming from a shortage of dealer orders.

The Dearborn plant produces the Mustang, while the Wayne plant makes the subcompact Escort.

In all, about 15,850 Ford workers will be idled. Most are eligible for up to 95 percent of their take-home pay under supplemental unemployment benefit pay under the company's contract with the United Auto Workers.

All those plants currently are scheduled to resume operation Dec. 10, a company spokesman said, adding there will most probably be further shutdowns around the holiday week in late December to further trim output.

Ford also said last week that its Thunderbird/Cougar car and Econoline van plant in Lorain, Ohio, will be on an alternating single- shift operation for the rest of the year.

On Thursday, Chrysler Corp. said it would close its St. Louis No. 1 plant in Fenton, Mo., for one week starting Monday, affecting 1,600 workers. The plant, which makes Chrysler LeBaron and Dodge Daytona cars, will permanently close next May, when production of those models are shifted to other plants.

Also on Thursday, industry leader General Motors Corp. announced drastic cuts in fourth-quarter production schedules because of both the Mideast crisis and a drop in consumer confidence, paving the way for a possible quarterly loss.

GM is now planning to reduce North American production schedules for the current quarter by 292,000 units, to a total 1,071,000 vehicles - putting it below levels in both the third quarter of 1990 and the fourth quarter of 1989.

GM spokesman Terrence Sullivan would not immediately say which plants will be affected, although cutbacks and the possibility of extended holiday shutdowns are sure to be widespread.

''They are implying that car sales are just going to go in the tubes, '' said industry analyst Edward Sullivan, of WEFA Group in Bala Cynwyd, Pa.

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HOUSTON (NOV. 30) UPI - Albert Moore had been robbed by gun-wielding bandits but couldn't get help because the handcuffs the robbers put on him scared people away.

Moore, a cigarette salesman, wandered Houston streets for about an hour Thursday, vainly trying to convince motorists and passers-by to come to his aid.

Moore had been robbed and left handcuffed by thieves who were after his cigarette-filled van. Passers-by apparently feared Moore, who was wearing a

suit, might have been an escaped prisoner.

One woman Moore asked for help simply ran away, police said.

Police and Harris County deputies received several telephone reports of the handcuffed man and flooded police radios with calls about whether any officers had been overcome by an escaped prisoner.

Moore finally was freed of his handcuffs by deputies.

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(NOV 30) UPI -A defiant Iraq on Friday dismissed a U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force in the gulf, but President Bush said the measure will ''drive home the point'' that Baghdad must withdraw its troops from Kuwait by Jan. 15.

Iraq's ruling Revolution Command Council issued a statement criticizing Thursday's decision by the U.N. Security Council, which voted to permit the U.S.-led multinational force to use ''any means necessary'' to oust Iraqi troops from the occupied emirate if they are not withdrawn by Jan. 15.

''Yesterday's decision of the Security Council is null and illegal .. . it is an American decision and the countries that had supported it were under American pressure,'' the official Iraqi news agency INA quoted the statement as saying.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said in a speech a day earlier Iraq would not panic over the U.N. vote and would fight fiercely if war erupts in the gulf.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, meanwhile, said his country, which voted for the resolution, had no intention of sending forces into the gulf. But he sternly warned Iraq against harming the hundreds of Soviet citizens trapped in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

Iraq had promised to release all of the estimated 3,000 foreigners in batches beginning Christmas Day over a three-month period ending March 25. Observers said the offer was a ploy to delay military action until the warmer months, when a Western attack would be more difficult.

INA reported 49 Swedish nationals left Baghdad Friday for home aboard a chartered Iraqi airliner.

The news agency reported Thursday that Saddam had promised former heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali in Baghdad that he would release 14 American hostages, and promised British member of Parliament Tony Penn that 15 British nationals would go free.

Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency said Iraq had also agreed to release 42 Belgians. It said four Iraqi chartered planes were expected to airlift 500 Filipinos directly to Manila.

Bush, who has led the hard-line response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of its tiny oil-rich neighbor, said in an interview that he hoped the Security Council resolution would convince Saddam that he must withdraw his troops from the emirate.

''I think this will drive home the point to him (Saddam) that he's got to get out of Kuwait,'' Bush said after the 15-member Security Council voted in favor of the resolution. Cuba and Yemen voted against the measure while China abstained.

In other developments in the gulf crisis Friday, U.S. military authorities were reportedly planning to censor letters home from a disgruntled soldier in Saudi Arabia, and an Iranian delegation visited Baghdad to discuss the repatriation of prisoners of war.

U.S. Sgt. Dick Runels wrote in letters published in his hometown newspaper in Maryland that soldiers in Saudi Arabia were plagued by heat, frustration and flies and criticized the U.S. mission in the Middle East. ''There is no threat to the U.S. except that we might pay $2 a gallon for gas,'' he wrote.

Bay Voice editor Tom Stanton said military authorities found out about the letters and that Runels was reprimanded by his base commander, who said Runel's letters would be censored in the future.

The Iraqi news agency IRNA said a delegation of Iranians had visited Baghdad with a list of hundreds of Iranian prisoners of war still detained in the country. Baghdad has been releasing the prisoners, captured in the 1980-1988 Iran-Iraq war, in an effort to make peace with its neighbor so it can concentrate its resources on on the looming battle with the U.S.-led multinational force.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - The official Iraq News Agency reported today that officials dismissed as ''null and illegal'' the U-N Security Council resolution that authorized the use of force to get Iraq out of Kuwait. The agency reported a statement by the ruling body in Iraq in which officials charge that the United States pressured and bribed other countries to vote for the resolution.

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Vladimir Petrovsky... in Iran on a political mission... reportedly says Moscow isN'T planning to send troops to the Persian Gulf but may do so in the future. The reports are carried by Tehran Radio in a broadcast monitered in Athens, Greece.

Diplomatic sources in Paris say Libyan-backed rebels in Chad seized the city of Abeche, the regional capital of eastern Chad. The diplomats say loyalist troops were forced to retreat 60 miles west on the road to the Chadian capital city.

The government's list of indicators showing where the economy is headed in the comings months is down for the fourth straight month. The Index of Leading Economic Indcitors fell by one-point-two percent in October. Only three of the 11 indicators was up for the month. Everything else was down.

Five prominent New Yorkers have been warned by police that their names were found in a list kept by the suspect held in the November 5th assassination of radical Zionist Meir Kahane. Several of the people were involved in the extradition from Venezuela of a Moslem clerk linked to a terrorist group.

Pennsylvania is the 21st state to abandon the electric chair in favor of lethal injection as the method of execution. Governor Robert Casey signed the bill making the change the law yesterday, retiring the Pennsylvania electric chair, which had NOT been used since 1962.

The scheduled Monday execution of Henry Lee Lucas has been delayed indefinitely by a Texas state appeals court. Lucas is the one-eyed drifter who shocked the nation with stories of a cross-country murder spree, but who now says he killed only his mother. He spent 15 years in prison in Michigan in her death.

China has removed a senior Communisty Party Official from his last remaining post, apparently because he openly sympathized with last year's democracy protests. The one-sentence report said that Yan Mingfu has been sacked from his job heading an organization to promote contact with overseas Chinese.

First lady Barbara Bush accepted the annual White House Christmas tree today, expressing hope for peace in the Middle East. Mrs. Bush stood in the White House driveway in accepting the 18 and one-half-foot North Carolina Fraser fir tree, saying she has what she termed ''great faith'' that the Persian Gulf crisis will be solved without military action.

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SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (NOV. 30) UPI - A union leader said Friday that the government's recent decision to put banks back in private hands will hurt most of the population and concentrate wealth among a few Salvadorans.

Humberto Centeno, director of the National Workers Union, said labor will appeal the decision to the nation's Supreme Court next week on constitutional grounds.

''We have also requested to meet with President Alfredo Cristiani, but we still haven't heard a response,'' he said.

After months of debate, the National Assembly approved legislation Thursday that will permit the privatization of the country's financial system.

Salvadoran banks were nationalized in 1980 by then-president Jose Napoleon Duarte in an effort to curb abuse by certain business groups.

Freeing up the financial system is part of Cristiani's plan to strengthen an economy that has been battered by 10 years of civil war.

Rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front have destroyed at least eight branches of banks throughout the country in the past 10 days and have declared all banks and savings and loan institutions military targets.

Armando Calderon, leader of the ruling National Republican Alliance party, defended privatization on Salvadoran television Friday, saying it would benefit every sector of the country's economy.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) UPI - As accusations of influence-peddling focused further on one of the so-called Keating Five senators, a bank regulator said Friday the lawmakers were ''hostile'' and ''dressed down'' regulators investigating an S&L kingpin who was a major political contributor.

In the ninth day of hearings before the Senate ethics committee, the heat intensified on Sen. Dennis DeConcini, who again was described as the only one of the five senators who used a 1987 meeting to exert improper pressure on federal regulators to benefit indicted former savings and loan operator Charles Keating Jr.

The committee is seeking to determine whether Sens. Alan Cranston, D- Calif., DeConcini, D-Ariz., John Glenn, D-Ohio, John McCain, R-Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich., acted unethically in dealings with federal regulators on behalf of Keating and his California-based Lincoln Savings and Loan. Keating had contributed $1.3 million to the lawmakers' political campaigns and other causes.

Michael Patriarca, head of the San Francisco regional office of the Office of Thrift Supervision and former regional official of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, was one of four bank regulators who met with all five senators on April 9, 1987, in a nearly 2 1/2-hour session in DeConcini's office.

But Patriarca cited only DeConcini for improper actions during the meeting,

saying Cranston, Glenn, McCain and Riegle all acted properly.

Describing the meeting, which came one week after the chairman of the bank board had met privately with four of the lawmakers about the board's investigation of Lincoln, Patriarca said, ''It was hostile. I felt we were being dressed down by the senators for inappropriate conduct during the Lincoln examination.''

Under questioning from Sen. Warren Rudman, R-N.H., the panel's vice chairman, Patriarca singled out DeConcini for wrongdoing.

''It's only where the senators attempted to influence, to change the outcome of the examination and regulatory treatment for this specific institution that impropriety was breached. I think - it's my personal view - Senator DeConcini did that. It's not clear to me that any of the others did.''

On Thursday, Patriarca said DeConcini had ''negotiated'' for Keating and Lincoln during the meeting, offering a deal in which Lincoln singularly would have been excluded from a federal regulation limiting risky direct investments by S&Ls in exchange for making more home loans and pressing the regulators to conduct business that would have greatly delayed the completion of the investigation.

As a result of the investigation, the regulators recommended that the Justice Department take criminal action against Lincoln and its owners for a series of violations, and recommended the government take over the thrift to protect the depositors. The recommendations were rejected and Lincoln failed in 1989, becoming the biggest collapse in the nation's S& L debacle, costing the taxpayers $2 billion to bail it out.

Patriarca did fault all five senators for going to bat for Lincoln, an institution waging a bitter war on the bank board and its chairman, Edwin Gray.

''If, in fact, we were out of line or we were wrong or made an arbitrary decision or somehow threatened their property without due process, that's what the courts were there to resolve,'' he said.

''It's not like my grandmother or someone else's grandmother who couldn't afford lawyers,'' Patriarca added. ''Those folks had lawyers. They had ample resources to pursue in any court anywhere a redress for improper action on the part of a regulator. I don't think it's necessary for legislators to intervene to protect institutions like that.''

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BOCA RATON, Fla. (NOV. 30) UPI - The reform of the nation's deposit insurance program for banks should be considered only as part of a larger overhaul of

federal banking laws, Treasury Secretary Nicholas F. Brady said Friday.

''Reform of deposit inusrance will be an important step toward assuring that banks operate safely and soundly,'' Brady told members of the Securities Industry Association at the group's annual meeting.

''But the administration also believes that to be safe and sound the banking system must be profitable. For that reason, deposit insurance reform should only be considered as part of a package that also addresses the underlying structural probelms of our system,'' Brady said.

The Treasury Department is expected to unveil a comprehensive proposal for the reform of the nation's financial services industry in January.

Concern over the health of the nation's commercial banks and the viability of the bank inusrance fund have been driving forces behind the call for the reform of depression-era banking laws. Those laws limit the financial services banks may offer and restrict investment in the industry by non-banking companies.

Brady said the deposit insurance fund is expected to shrink to $10 billion or less by year's end.

''There may be a need to shore up that fund,'' Brady said.

''The Treasury is evaluating a range of contingency plans that would shore up the bank insurance fund. Any such plan would draw only on banking industry resources to assure the soundness of the fund without imposing a burden on the taxpayer.''

In his 20-minute speech to securities brokers, Brady also cautioned bank regulators not to overreact to current problems in the industry. Industry officials have blamed over regulation for current tight credit conditions.

''Be mindful of the effect your behavior can have on the willingness of banks to take even the reasonable risk of lending to good credits,'' Brady told regulators. ''We need a banking system that is a taker, not a shedder of risks.''

Brady also said any reform of the nation's banking laws should limit rather than expand exposure of taxpayers, to avoid a repeat of the savings and loan debacle.

But he said a repeat of the thrift bailout is unlikely.

''Overall, the commercial banking system is healthy despite some pockets of difficulty,'' Brady said. ''The banks of 1990 are not the S& L's of the 1980s. As I've said before, they are as different as chalk and cheese. By a wide

margin, the banks have more capital, are more profitable and better managed, and have less risky kinds of assets than the S&L industry.''

Current problems in the industry in part reflect the problems of the economy as a whole, Brady said. But antiquated banking laws have exacerbated those problems, he said.

Brady described the present structure of U.S. banking laws as ''outmoded, burdensome and inefficient.''

''We need fundamental structural reform and the Treasury Department is committed to this goal,'' Brady said.

In an earlier address to brokers Friday, Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman Richard C. Breeden also called for reform of the nation's banking laws.

Breeden later told reporters that the prospects for congressional passage of such reforms depend on the strength of the Bush administration's backing for such changes and the soundness of its proposals.

''There is no reason why legislation couldn't be adopted next year,'' Breeden said. ''It is time to overhaul those laws if we want to remain competitive.''

Breeden also called for the reform of so-called ''blue sky'' laws, which require those who want to issue securities to submit their registration statements to state regulators for review. Breeden said such procedures raised the cost of capital for companies.

''We need to move to a system in which there can be one-stop filing of registration statements and clearance to distribute in a national capital market,'' he said in his speech.

Breeden later told reporters, ''I really think the process would work better if we can focus the activities of the state (regulators) on enforcement.''

About 625 investment bankers, security brokers, analysts and others are attending this year's convention, down from an attendance of 775 last year.

The decline in attendance is believed to reflect the current slump on Wall Street.

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LONDON (NOV. 30) UPI - Stock prices rallied Friday in nervous trading on the London International Stock Exchange, spurred by news there may be a diplomatic breakthrough that could resolve the tense situation in the oil-rich Persian

Gulf.

On the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, prices closed modestly higher in calm trading.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 8.7 points Thursday, gained 13.8 points to 2,149.4. The narrower top 30 industrial average added 8.0 points to 1,682.8.

Volume amounted to about 331 million shares, down from the 415 million thatchanged hands Thursday.

Analysts said stocks moved sharply higher shortly before the close of trading, after President Bush offered to send Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad to meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Bush also offered to meet with Iraq's foreign minister at the White House.

Market watchers also noted the London market was supported by continued hopes Britain will be able to lower its base interest rates soon, even though prospects for an immediate cut seemed to be fading.

John Reynolds, an equity market analyst with County NatWest, said ''the market is caught between the feeling that interest rates will come down and the idea that any conflict in the Gulf will spoil the party in the short term.''

In addition, market watchers said enthusiasm was boosted slightly by lower spot oil prices.

Among widely traded stocks, British Aerospace closed unchanged at $9. 99 despite announcing plans to close two military manufacturing plants by early 1993, resulting in the loss of around 5,000 jobs.

Property developer Trafalgar House gained 18 cents to $3.32 on hopes that the company's recent sale of its stake in Costain would enable it to maintain its dividend.

Grand Metropolitan slipped 8 cents to $11.34 amid worries over a ''burger war'' tied to speculation of McDonald's would opt to cut prices.

Troubled leisure group Brent Walker rallied 42 cents to $1.78 ahead of theannnouncement of results from its bond issue.

In Frankfurt, the exchange's closely watched German Stock Index, which slipped 1.70 points Thursday, rebounded 22.31 points to 1,441.23.

Analysts said investors were squaring positions ahead of Sunday's national elections in Germany, which are expected to keep Chancellor Helmut Kohl'sgovernment in power.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) UPI - Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, cast doubt Friday on administration suggestions that Iraq is close to building a nuclear device and experts offered mixed views on the subject.

Suggesting that government intelligence experts were less certain that the administration has suggested they are about the prospects of a near-term Iraqi bomb, Glenn noted at hearings on the Gulf crisis that the panel had conducted a ''lively meeting'' with the intelligence experts at a closed session earlier in the week.

''If anyone has any doubt about ... what the impressiomn of our intelligence experts are on this ... I would just ask any senator to go read the transcript read the questions, read the answers,'' said Glenn.

''I come down to one final bottom line. ... Let's say the worst occurs and he gets one bomb. What's he going to do with a nuclear device? ... Even the administration says ... it would be of such size he'd probably have to cart it around by truck.''

''Iraq is quite a ways from having nuclear weapons. ... I think this has been overblown,'' said Glenn.

''We should not automatically assume Iraq has nuclear weapons,'' added Sen. Al Gore, D-Tenn.

President Bush, while visiting troops in Saudi Arabia over Thanksgiving, said Iraq is rushing to develop a nuclear device, adding urgency to the U.S. mission in the region.

At a morning press conference, Bush added, ''I disagree with the senator and if he wants to gamble with the future about the construction of atomic weapons by Saddam Hussein, I don't.

''I know what the intelligence says, every bit of it. I can't share it obviously. But I am concerned ... about it. If Senator Gore has a difference of opinion and is not concerned about it, we just have an honest difference there.''

Nuclear experts recommended that the International Atomic Energy Agency conduct more frequent inspections of the nuclear materials that Iraq owns. Its experts just returned from an inspection and declared that none of the material had been diverted to weapons use.

Experts testifying to the committee were unable to rule out with certainty the possibility that Iraq could put a crude device together in a period of weeks

or months with a crash program, but some were skeptical. All agreed that in the long run Iraq might be able to develop a weapon.

Gary Milhollin, head of the Wisconsin Project on Nuclear Arms Control, said the amount of nuclear material available to Iraq would require a very sophisticated design.

''I have not seen anyone say that Saddam Hussein's designers have reached the point of sophistication that is required for that to be a success,'' said Milhollin.

William Graham, former science adviser to Presidents Reagan and Bush, suggested it might be possible for Baghdad to put together a crude device in six months or less. He said most of a weapon could be put together without the nuclear material and he noted that it took the United States just three months to get fission material for the Manhattan project 45 years ago.

Leonard Spector, a senior associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, said the threat that Iraq can develop a weapon within six months should be taken seriously.

''Today, U.S. intelligence agencies appear to be confident that Iraq has not completed the preliminary steps that would be necessary for constructing a nuclear device. At the same time, however, they apparently fear that such steps might be taken over the next six months, '' Spector said.

Earlier in the day, retired Lt. Gen. William Odum, who once headed the super-secret National Security Agency, recommended that the United States complete its buildup, get a logistics system in place, build up its stockpiles of sophisticated weapons and then reduce the deployment to more sustainable levels. He said should officials decide on war, troops could be ferried back in by airplane quite quickly.

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GUELPH, ONTARIO (NOV. 30) UPI - Police are hunting for three young women who sexually assaulted a man at gunpoint.

The three women told the 27-year-old man they ''wanted their way with him,'' Guelph police spokesman Staff Sgt. Paul Deaves said.

The man, whose name and background weren't released, was offered a ride by three ''very attractive'' women as he walked along the street at about 8 p.m. Tuesday, Deaves said.

The three took him to a secluded area of town in a white luxury-size car where the driver produced a handgun and said they planned to detain him, Deaves said.

''They made certain sexual demands of this individual and sexually assaulted him,'' Deaves said.

Deaves said ''sexual intercourse was never achieved'' or attempted. The police spokesman refused to release further details.

Sexual assault covers a broad range of actions from touching someone in a sexual way to intercourse.

The man was let go and walked about 5 miles back to the city center.

The victim said the women didn't look hardened or tough and could have been office workers. Two were blondes and the other brunette and all were in their mid-20s.

Guelph is about 50 miles west of Toronto.

Deaves said police have received ''hundreds of millions'' of phone calls from the press about the incident.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Spicer & Oppenheim, the nation's 12th-largest accounting firm, said Friday it will cease operations immediately, largely as a result of a slowdown in the securities industry.

The company has negotiated deals with other major accounting firms to take on many Spicer & Oppenheim employees and the clients they serve. A company spokesman who declined to be identified said 83 percent of Spicer's 700 employees have found work with other accounting firms.

"The firm has decided to break up and merge portions of its offices and practice areas with other accounting firms," the spokesman said. He said the company's business declined nationwide over the past year, but was particularly hard-hit in New York by the securities industry slump. The firm was noted for its securities industry expertise and derived about half of its $63 million revenue from its New York operations.

"With the downfall of the securities industry and the higher degree of competition from larger accounting firms picking off our clients, it created a shaky financial position which created a great deal of instability," the spokesman said. "The firm would have been able to continue but only on a month-to-month business," he added.

He said the firm had negotiated that a percentage of fees paid by former Spicer clients to the other accounting firms involved in the deal would be

paid into an "operating pool" to pay creditors.

He declined to state the size of the firm's debt but said it consisted of bank debt and lease arrangements and was expected to be paid off within five years. "This is not a bankruptcy," he added. The percentage paid to the other firms is the same in every case, he said.

The firm is the U.S. branch of Spicer & Oppenheim International, based in London. None of the company's 250 offices outside the United States would be affected by the U.S. operation's moves, the spokesman said.

In New York, about 200 employees, including 25 partners and executive directors, will be moved to the offices of Grant Thornton, roughly doubling the size of the Grant Thornton operation, the Spicer spokesman said. In addition, a "splinter" group of six partners and executive directors will be joining Goldstein, Golub and Kessler, a New York accounting firm.

Employees in the San Francisco and Houston offices will be combining with the firm of Los Angeles-based Pannell Kerr Forster in those cities. Partners in Spicer's Miami office will begin operating under the name Wainberg, Zipper, Strauss & Co., after the names of the partners in that office.

Los Angeles employees will be joining with Deloitte Touche, while Denver staff will move to BDO Seidman. In Chicago, Dallas and Houston, several individuals involved in the non-New York bankruptcy practice will be joining Arthur Andersen while the remainder of the staff in those offices will move to other accounting firms in their markets, the Spicer spokesman said.

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BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA (NOV. 30) UPI - Argentina and the United States signed an agreement Friday to exchange safety information on experimental and commercial nuclear reactors.

The agreement allows Argentina, the only Latin American country besides Brazil believed to have the capability to build a nuclear weapon, and the United States to share information on the operations of reactors, according to a statement released by the Argentine Foreign Ministry and confirmed by the U.S. Embassy.

It also offers exchange programs for training technicians and exchanges of information on planning for emergencies, the statement said.

The accord, signed by Argentine Manuel Mondino, president of the National Atomic Energy Commission, and Kenneth Carr, head of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, comes just two days after Argentine President Carlos Menem indicated he would take steps fo ratify his country's membership in the

Tlatelolco regional Nuclear Non- proliferation Treaty.

Despite constant pressure from the U.S. government, Argentina for over two decades resisted ratifying the Tlatelolco agreement because it would require international inspections of all nuclear facilities, something Argentina does not now allow.

In a bilateral agreement signed by the presidents of Brazil and Argentina on Wednesday near Iguacu falls on the border between the countries, the two governments agreed to set up a reciprocal system of safeguards and inspections and proposed taking steps to join the regional treaty.

Brazil and Argentina are believed by most diplomats to be the only two countries in Latin America that possess the technology to build an atomic bomb if they wanted one.

According to Foreign Minister Domingo Cavallo, the government of Fidel Castro in Cuba was also considering joining the Tlatelolco Treaty, which establishes regular inspections of nuclear reactors in member countries to ensure the peaceful use of atomic energy.

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SPRINGFIELD, IL (NOV. 30) UPI - The Illinois Supreme Court Friday threw out a reform plan for Chicago's oft-maligned public schools, saying it gives too much power to parents at the expense of other members of the community.

The plan was approved by the Legislature in 1988 and implemented last year.

The court, in its ruling, acknowledged the sorry state of the city's schools and offered to delay the effect of the decision. School officials called an emergency meeting to consider taking the court up on its offer.

Chicago schools, described by former Education Secretary William Bennett as the nation's worst, have been struggling for years under a burden of a growing poor and minority population. Test scores have slid and administration has been hamstrung by a rapid succession of superintendents.

The controversial reform plan, watched closely by educators around the country essentially handed over most decision-making, including the power to hire and fire principals, to new local councils elected by teachers, parents and other community members.

The court said that system gives too much power to parents.

''The trial court erred in finding that the local school councils did not exercise general governmental powers,'' the high court ruled in overturning an

Cook County court decision upholding the act.

''It is clear that citizens falling into a number of categories are either denied a vote or are denied an equal vote in local school council elections,'' Justice Daniel Ward wrote for the majority.

He said the fact parents have a disproportionate interest in schools' operation does not constitutionally permit them a greater voice in electing the members of the council.

The opinion did uphold the stripping of tenure protection for principals - the original reason the suit was first filed - and recognized the troubled nature of the state's largest school district.

''The inadequacies of the city's educational system run deep, but lasting remedies will require the equal participation of all qualified voters,'' Ward wrote.

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (NOV. 30) UPI - Tom Watson has resigned his membership at the Kansas City Country Club because H&R Block Chairman Henry Bloch, who is Jewish, was not admitted as a member, the Kansas City Star said Friday.

Kansas City Country Club board president L. Chandler Smith said Bloch's application to the club, considered one of the city's most prestigious, was withdrawn by the person who proposed it and never reached the board of directors.

Watson, 41, learned to play golf at the Kansas City Country Club and has been a longtime member of the club. He has played the PGA Tour since 1971, and has won five British Opens, two Masters and one U.S. Open.

''As a matter of conscience, I resigned from the club,'' Watson told the newspaper. ''They put a prominent Jewish person up for membership and his application was withdrawn. It's something that I personally can't live with because my family is Jewish. It's not something that's very appealing to me: the possibility that I'm not welcome - that my family's not welcome - because of (their) religion.''

Watson's wife, Linda, and their two children are Jewish. He is not.

Smith said Bloch's religion was not a factor. He said the club has no discriminatory policies, although there are no Jewish members, to his knowledge, and no black members.

''The decisions that are made do not relate to religion,'' Smith said.

''You're assuming that every bit of this relates to religion. You're not putting any weight on the person.''

Bloch declined to comment.

Hallmark Cards Inc. Chairman Donald Hall proposed Bloch's membership, according to sources who also sponsored Bloch. Two co-sponsors on his application were Richard C. Green Jr., chairman of UtiliCorp United Inc. , and James M. Kemper Jr., chairman of Commerce Bancshares Inc.

The three could not be reached for comment.

Bloch's application never got out of the club's membership committee, which makes recommendations to the board of directors, sources told the Star. The makeup of the membership committee is known only to the president and secretary.

Smith said the application procedure for Bloch was the same followed by all new prospective members. It is not unusual for an application to be withdrawn, he said.

Watson said he believes in the right of private clubs to determine their membership.

''But when they choose to discriminate against your beliefs, you don't have to choose to be a member,'' he said.

Stan Thirsk, head pro at the club and Watson's mentor, said he could not comment because ''it pains me too much. Tom is like a son to me.''

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LONDON (NOV. 30) UPI - French and British construction workers were to shake hands 100 feet beneath the English Channel Saturday, and for the first time since the Ice Age it will be possible to walk from England to the continent.

The last yard of chalky soil blocking the first of three tunnels running for 31 miles under the channel was scheduled to be cleared by midday Saturday, Eurotunnel spokeswoman Karen Martin said Friday.

Two of the workers on one of the world's most extraordinary engineering projects will greet each other with a handshake, she said.

A specially selected group from Calais, France, will go through the emergency service tunnel to Folkestone, England, and become the first people to make the crossing by land in 8,000 years. That was when the rising sea level caused by the melting ice of the receding glacier from the Ice Age submerged the land

bridge across the Strait of Dover.

It will be another 2 1/2 years before passengers will be able to make the trip on a high-speed train. Thirty million passengers are expected to make the trip in the first year alone.

The underground handshake is a culmination of three years of work during which 3 million tons of rock have been dug from beneath the seabed.

Eurotunnel worker Colin Kirkland said, ''I can hardly believe it, that after all this time we actually have come to the point where we can walk through from England to France. It is a great excitement for me, it is a great feeling of achievement, not so much personal achievement but for the people who have done it and for the part I have been lucky to play.''

A month ago a guiding probe broke through the approaching halves of the service tunnel and a huge boring machine that no longer is needed veered off and was buried.

The next landmark is slated for January when the service tunnel will be completed. The tunnel runs between two much bigger train tunnels, which are now being bored.

A formal ceremony is planned to mark the event - French President Francois Mitterrand was to meet Margaret Thatcher in the tunnel, but she lost her position as prime minister last week and new British Prime Minister John Major was expected to go instead.

The Eurotunnel project has inched ahead below ground as controversy raged above.

Financial and delays problems have dogged it and the cost of completion has soared to $15 billion.

Trade unions have been aggrieved by the number of accidents - seven workers have died on the British side and two on the French.

David Eves, of the Health and Safety Executive, said, however, the project has been generally safe.

''Some of the accidents that have occurred have been absolutely preventable ''he said. ''At the same time, this is an extraordinarily complex construction project ... so one has to be balanced about this.''

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#90334u1149 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) UPI - The third annual World AIDS Day will draw

attention to the upsurge in AIDS among women and the often neglected impact of their struggle on families and communities around the globe, organizers said Friday.

About 3 million women are already infected with the deadly AIDS virus, and that number may double by the end of the 1990s as heterosexual sex becomes the main way the virus is spread in most regions, the World Health Organization said.

''We must realize that women will bear an increasingly heavier burden as this pandemic progresses into the next century,'' said Dr. Hiroshi Nakajima, WHO's director general.

As of 1990, about 60 percent of people infected with the AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, worldwide got the virus through heterosexual intercourse. By the year 2000, WHO projects about 75 percent to 80 percent of all HIV infections will stem from heterosexual sex - meaning that there will be dramatic increases in HIV infection among women.

Already, one in 40 women in sub-Saharan Africa and one in 700 women in North America are infected with the lethal virus.

HIV is spread by sexual or blood-to-blood contact, like drug users sharing needles. It can also be transmitted from an infected mother to her baby.

Next week, AIDS activists plan to converge on the federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta to demand a widening of the government's official definition of AIDS.

The activists claim the current definition, last revised in January 1987, fails to take into account indicators of AIDS that are unique to women, such as vaginal yeast infections and severe pelvic inflammatory disease. That means many HIV-infected women die without ever being diagnosed with AIDS, they said.

''Because so many services have adopted the CDC definition as their criteria (of AIDS), women often do not receive the treatments, benefits and other social services that they require and deserve,'' said the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power or ACT UP.

Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan, who was shouted down by protesters at the 1990 International AIDS Conference in San Francisco, issued a statement Friday calling on Americans ''to recognize that this is not a disease which affects other people. It is a disease which has struck at the family of man, our family.

''I would today and every day ask Americans to hold out a helping hand to people living with AIDS.''

Sullivan also repeated past calls for people to change high-risk behavior like intravenous drug use and be tested if they think they may be HIV-infected.

In New York, children from day care centers all over the city will gather Saturday for a memorial service culminating with the unveiling of a quilt the youngsters made as symbol of comfort to children and mothers afflicted with AIDS.

And at 6 p.m., many skyscrapers in the Manhattan skyline will dim their lights until 8 p.m. in memory of people who have died from AIDS. The Empire State Building, the World Trade Center, the Chrysler Building and the Trump Tower are among the many which plan to go dark.

In addition to Worlds AIDS Day, Saturday will also mark the second ''Day Without Art,'' in which the arts community removes or covers paintings and sculptures and silences performances to focus attention on AIDS issues.

National Endowment for the Arts Chairman John Frohnmayer issued a letter encouraging all the endowment's grantees ''to demonstrate your concern about this global disease.''

The Institute of Contemporary Art at the University of Pennsylvania Friday shrouded in black drapery one of the most prominent sculptures on campus, Claes Oldenberg's Split Button. The sculpture will remain draped Saturday.

Art students at Muhlenberg College in Allentown, Pa., will cover the school's Center for the Arts building in black plastic. All of the white exterior surfaces of the building will be draped except for the entrance and exit and glass roof.

And Saturday visitors to the Philadelphia Museum of Art will be asked to contribute $1 each toward AIDS education programs and services.

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#90334u1167 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages fell to 9.90 percent from 9.93 percent while adjustable-rate notes held at 8.08 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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#90334u1178 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

BAIKONUR COSMODROME, U.S.S.R. (NOV. 30) UPI - A Soyuz rocket plastered with Japanese advertising was rolled into position Friday to carry a Japanese broadcaster into space Sunday after a truce was reached on money squabbles.

The Tokyo Broadcasting System, which is paying $10 million for the launch in a

contract with the Glavkosmos space agency, complained that the Soviets were demanding wild extra money for everything from spacesuits to $10,000 an hour for Soviet cosmonauts to hold a video camera during the eight-day mission.

''It is not settled yet, but because the launch is so important to us and to the Soviets we have stopped the negotiations and will return to them later after the launch,'' said Ichiro Sasasi, a TBS executive.

By tradition all Soviet rockets leave for the launch pad at 7 a.m. because that is when Yuri Gagarin's Vostok rocket rolled out to make him the first man in space on Apr. 12, 1961.

And precisely at 7 a.m. Friday, the Soyuz rocket that will make Toyohiro Akiyamo the first journalist in space left its assembly plant on a rail line leading right to Gagarin's launch pad No. 1.

Truck-mounted projector lights sliced through the morning darkness and lighted up the Soyuz as some of the 150 Japanese journalists scrambled to the rail bed to snap pictures of the booster emblazoned with advertisements for Sony, Ohtsuka Chemicals, and Unicharm, makers of women's hygiene products.

Two hours later, Soviet space technicians wearing orange hard hats and black cold-weather gear against the 19-degree temperatures jerked the Soyuz upright with hydraulic lifts. Gantries pinioned the rocket into the firing position for the launch Sunday at 11:45 a.m.

Akiyamo, 48, a former TBS bureau chief in Washington who kicked a four-pack a day cigarette habit to make the flight, will be accompanied to the Mir space station by two seasoned Soviet cosmonauts - Musa Manarov, a joint holder of the record of 366 days in space, and Viktor Afanasiev, who has tested out on every Soviet aircraft.

Akiyamo's backup, Rioko Kikuchi, 26, the TBS network's first woman camera operator, suffered appendicitis Monday and was operated on in Baikonur, increasing the pressure on Akiyamo to stay healthy.

''There is no contract clause for cancellations and we are not even thinking about it, but if it happens we can restart negotiations,'' said Sasasi, the TBS executive who fathered the mission known as ''Cosmoreporter.''

He said Kikuchi, a Chinese-language expert who learned Russian as part of her cosmonaut training, was feeling fine after her operation and may be able to come to the launch Sunday.

A blaze of 20 TBS cameras will cover the liftoff, including one in the control room when the launch button is pushed and one under the launch pad that will promptly melt during the blastoff.

Akiyamo's TM-11 space capsule will dock with the Mir and its two current occupants, Gennady Strekalov and Gennady Manakov, on Tuesday. The Japanese journalist will return to Earth with Strekalov and Manakov Dec. 10, leaving Manarov and Afanasiev to man the space station.

Aboard the Mir Akiyamo will make a daily 10-minute television broadcast and two 20-minute radio broadcasts that will be relayed to Moscow and then on to Tokyo.

When TBS sought an extra hour for transmissions, the Soviets asked for an equivalent of $50,000 for every 10 minutes, or a total of $300, 000 - one of the ''little problems'' Sasasi mentioned.

In his six days aboard the Mir, Akiyamo will also carry out experiments for Japanese scientists: how frogs react to weightlessness, how a person's breathing varies in zero gravity conditions and how a person maintains his balance in space.

Baikonur, 1,260 miles southeast of Moscow, covers 600 square miles with six major launch pads on the barren steppe of the Kazakhstan republic. The existence of the giant space complex, now 35 years old, was not even acknowledged in the 1960s and only with the advent of glasnost have reporters been allowed to watch liftoffs.

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DETROIT (NOV. 30) UPI - American industry is losing the race to open global markets for U.S. products, and hundreds of thousands of jobs could be lost forever unless globalization efforts are stepped up, according to a survey released Friday.

The international accounting, consulting and tax firm Coopers & Lybrand, questioning top executives from 150 U.S.-based manufacturing companies for the third of its annual "Made in America" surveys, concluded many American companies are falling behind their counterparts from other nations in "going global" and may not be able to survive growing international competition.

A significant number of companies intend to close additional manufacturing sites in the United States or to move operations offshore, the survey found. "Countering this, further moves to globalization causing U.S. and foreign companies to expand here have the capability of adding many new jobs, but it is too early to tell which forces will end up as dominant," said Barry Holmes, who heads the manufacturing consulting practice in Coopers & Lybrand's Detroit office.

The survey "did find that over the past three years, many more U.S. companies are globalizing to reach new markets, gain a competitive edge and become

industry leaders, rather than seeking parity with their rivals," said Holmes.

"But," he cautioned, "others hoping to survive in an increasingly competitive environment must get on track before their market share erodes and globalization becomes too costly to accomplish."

He said a similar survey done in 1987 showed a tendency among too many U.S. corporate executives to consider only U.S. competition, leading them to think and plan only in domestic terms.

"The majority now seem to realize that past hesitation in going global is leading to a loss of business to competition capable of operating worldwide," Holmes said.

Holmes said offshore competitors have been far more aggressive than American companies in developing global markets and cited Japan's commitment to U.S., European and South American facilities. He also noted that the 1992 consolidation of European markets is causing European manufacturers to establish more solid footholds in the United States.

"More rapid advance by U.S. manufacturing companies into globalization should be a matter of concern for all our government and business leaders," Holmes said. "If more companies do not take action, our entire economy will suffer."

Noting that a quarter of all U.S. workers rely on factories for their livelihood, Holmes cited recent government reports showing that 580,000 U.S. factory jobs - some three percent - have been lost since January 1989.

"We also must recognize that foreign investment in the United States is growing greater than our investment abroad," Holmes said. "Profits going offshore will leave less cash in the United States to fund needed research and development and technological breakthroughs."

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#90334u1193 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Presidential economic adviser Michael J. Boskin said Friday he looked for unemployment to rise into the low six percent range early next year but insisted it is still too early to say if a recession is in progress.

"I think it's too early to tell," Boskin told journalists, referring to the recession forecast by other economists. He spoke on U. S.-Japanese economic relations at the Japan Society in New York,

Boskin, chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers, said, "It's likely the fourth quarter (gross national product rate of change) will be negative, but it's too early to say we're in a recession."

Boskin conceded "unemployment is likely to rise into the low sixes (the low six percent range) by early next year." But he said that despite the effects of the Iraq oil shock he didn't see anything as severe as in previous oil shocks. He was optimistic about oil prices.

"This oil shock will get resolved," Boskin said, while acknowledging great uncertainties surrounding the Persian Gulf military and diplomatic situation. "Our economies will see lower oil prices by the middle of next year," he told his Japanese and American audience.

Asked whether lower oil prices would spark an economic recovery, Boskin said it would at least "offset the downward drag" of increased oil prices seen since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 30) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Friday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.41	2.45 1/2	2.39 1/2	2.45	2.39
Mar	2.60	2.62	2.57	2.61 3/4	2.58
May	2.68	2.69 3/4	2.66	2.69 1/2	2.66 1/2
Jly	2.76	2.77	2.73	2.76 3/4	2.74 1/2
Sep	2.83	2.83	2.80 1/2	2.81 1/2	2.79 1/2
Dec	2.94	2.94 1/2	2.91 1/2	2.93	2.93 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.26	2.29 1/4	2.24 3/4	2.27 3/4	2.25
Mar	2.38 1/2	2.39	2.35	2.37 3/4	2.37
May	2.45 1/4	2.46 1/4	2.43	2.45 1/4	2.44 1/2
Jly	2.50 1/2	2.51 3/4	2.48	2.50 1/2	2.50
Sep	2.51	2.52	2.49 1/4	2.50 1/2	2.49
Dec	2.50 1/4	2.51 1/2	2.48 1/2	2.50 1/2	2.50 3/4
Mar	2.56	2.57	2.55	2.56 3/4	2.56 1/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.07 3/4	1.12	1.07 1/4	1.12	1.07 1/4
Mar	1.21 3/4	1.22 3/4	1.19 1/2	1.22 3/4	1.19 3/4
May	1.27 1/2	1.28 1/2	1.26	1.28 1/2	1.26 1/4
Jly	1.33 1/4	1.34 1/4	1.32	1.34 1/4	1.31 3/4
Sep	1.39	1.39	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.37 1/2
Dec	1.46	1.47 1/2	1.46	1.47 1/2	1.46
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					

Jan	5.96 1/2	5.96 1/2	5.89	5.89 1/2	5.94 3/4
Mar	6.11	6.11	6.04	6.04 1/2	6.08 1/2
May	6.22 1/2	6.23 1/4	6.16 1/2	6.17 1/4	6.21
Jly	6.33 1/2	6.34 1/2	6.27 1/2	6.28	6.32 3/4
Aug	6.33 1/2	6.34 1/2	6.27 1/2	6.28	6.32 3/4
Sep	6.21	6.24	6.21	6.24	6.21 1/2
Nov	6.18 1/2	6.21	6.16	6.20 1/2	6.18 3/4
Jan	6.29	6.31	6.29	6.31	6.29
Mar	6.41	6.42 1/2	6.39 1/2	6.42	6.40

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	21.41	21.60	21.08	21.36	21.39
Jan	21.75	21.83	21.33	21.59	21.69
Mar	22.12	22.14	21.67	21.92	22.02
May	22.42	22.48	22.04	22.30	22.34
Jul	22.70	22.75	22.32	22.48	22.56
Aug	22.60	22.70	22.32	22.40	22.50
Sep	22.55	22.60	22.32	22.42	22.50
Oct	22.47	22.47	22.30	22.40	22.50
Dec	22.50	22.50	22.30	22.32	22.30
Jan	22.20	22.30	....	22.25	22.32

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	173.00	174.50	172.00	172.90	172.70
Jan	176.50	177.40	175.00	175.90	176.10
Mar	181.00	182.00	179.50	180.30	180.80
May	184.00	184.00	182.60	183.10	183.50
Jul	187.00	187.00	185.30	185.60	186.30
Aug	187.50	187.50	186.50	186.70	187.50
Sep	186.00	186.00	185.00	185.00	186.00
Oct	185.00	185.00	183.50	183.50	185.00
Dec	186.50	186.50	186.00	186.50	188.00
Jan	185.50	186.00	....	185.70	187.00

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(NOV. 30) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close

Nov. 29, 1990

Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	440.33	off 9.36	up 1.07

Growth & Income	687.16	off	9.40	up	0.51
Balanced	452.47	off	8.74	up	0.25
Average Fund Performances:					
Capital Appreciation (142)		off	11.76	up	1.09
Growth (264)		off	9.63	up	1.02
Small Co. Growth (83)		off	15.67	up	1.81
Growth & Income (205)		off	8.43	up	0.52
Equity Income (69)		off	9.17	up	0.36
Average 763 Equity		off	10.35	up	0.92
Health/Biotech (9)		up	13.07	up	2.08
Natural Resources (19)		off	7.72	up	1.58
Environmental (5)		off	14.60	up	0.27
Science & Technology (23)		off	8.29	up	1.97
Specialty/Misc (32)		off	15.94	up	0.85
Utility (15)		off	3.72	up	0.18
Financial Services (9)		off	21.04	up	1.61
Real Estate (6)		off	18.98	up	0.01
Option Income (10)		off	7.36	up	0.45
Global (45)		off	11.20	off	1.17
International (60)		off	11.80	off	2.20
European Region (19)		off	2.87	off	1.79
Pacific Region (17)		off	18.59	off	3.30
Gold Oriented (36)		off	25.64	up	3.02
Average All Equity (1063)		off	10.89	up	0.64
Flexible Portfolio (48)		off	4.27	up	0.44
Global Flexible Port (11)		off	5.22	off	0.35
Balanced (64)		off	3.36	up	0.29
Convertible Security (31)		off	10.18	up	0.70
Mixed Income (13)		off	1.78	up	0.07
Income (4)		off	8.65	up	0.68
World Income (49)		up	12.69	off	0.58
Fixed Income (542)		up	2.32	off	0.11
Average 1830 Funds		off	5.80	up	0.36
Median 1830 Funds		off	6.10	up	0.20
Unmanaged Market Indicators:					
DJ Industrial	2,518.81	off	8.51	off	0.81
S&P 500	316.42	off	10.46	up	0.12
S&P 400	371.25	off	7.99	up	0.15
NYSE Composite	173.14	off	11.23	up	0.24
Amex	299.87	off	20.67	up	1.45

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)

Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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CHICAGO (NOV. 30) UPI - Grain futures were mostly higher Friday on the Chicago Board of Trade, supported by comments from President Bush on export credits, while soybean prices were mixed.

The President told reporters he asked for recommendations by next week on action he could take to help alleviate the food shortage in the Soviet Union. He said that would include the possibility of export credits to the Soviets.

Grain prices were at or near session highs at the final bell, although profit-taking in corn limited the gains in the nearbys.

There were rumors the Soviets or other Eastern Bloc countries may have bought from 600,000 tons to 2 million tons of corn this week. However, exporters reported no indications of such a purchase.

Deliveries of December corn were lighter than expected, which contributed to the strength in corn prices.

Wheat had additional support from the sale of 100,000 tons of wheat to Jordan and 34,000 tons of wheat flour to the USSR and African nations.

At the close, corn was up 2 3/4 to off 1/4, soybeans down 5 1/4 to up 2 1/2, wheat up 6 to down 1/2 and oats up 1 to 4 3/4.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Gold futures closed Friday 560 to 810 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	385.00	389.00	381.50	383.30	388.90
Jan	384.80	....	....	384.80	390.60
Feb	388.30	389.80	383.70	385.70	391.70
Apr	391.00	393.20	387.30	388.90	395.20
Jun	396.20	396.80	390.90	392.20	398.80
Aug	404.00	395.00	394.00	395.20	402.00
Oct	398.40	....	....	398.40	405.40
Dec	406.70	406.70	401.00	401.70	408.90
Feb	410.50	410.50	405.10	405.10	412.50
Apr	409.00	409.00	408.00	408.30	415.90
Jun	412.00	412.00	411.80	411.80	419.60
Aug	415.50	....	....	415.50	423.60

Open interest: 104,897 off 1,741.

Estimated sales: 42,000 contracts.

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#90334u1236 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) UPI - An emotional President Bush, facing the possibility of American deaths in a Persian Gulf war, said Friday it's a heavy burden he carries, but vowed anyone sent into battle ''will have the best chance to come home alive.''

''People say to me, 'How many lives? How many lives can you expend?''' Bush told a midday news conference following a televised address to the nation. ''Each one's precious. ... It's a tough question but a president has to make the right decision.''

Stepping back from an often spirited and pointed defense of U.S. policy in the showdown with Iraq's Saddam Hussein, Bush combined the remarks with a new offer of high-level dialogue - but no compromise.

And when responding to a question of how he would feel to lose one of his own children in conflict, Bush openly paused at the question of American casualties, appearing at one point to be even close to tears.

''I know what it's like to have fallen comrades and see young kids die in battle,'' said the president, himself a World War II combat pilot.

''I want peace. I want peace, not war,'' he declared.

Warning Saddam that ''time is running out,'' Bush again outlined the sins of the Iraqi leader as decried by the United Nations in an unprecedented series of punitive resolutions, including Thursday's move to sanction the use of force if Iraq does not comply by Jan. 15.

And he mixed the message of compassion with the forcefully stated promise that any American called to combat will receive the full backing of U.S. military might.

''If there must be war, we will not permit our troops to have their hands tied behind their backs,'' he said. ''If one American soldier has to go into battle that soldier will have enough force behind to win and then get out as soon as possible.''

As the 4-month-old standoff in the gulf has drawn on with Saddam's refusal to withdraw from Kuwait, the question of impending conflict took on greater significance with this week's near-unanimous U.N. approval of the use of force and the costs already accrued by many of the world's economies in sustaining an economic embargo against Iraq.

Bush's emotional response and concern also seemed prompted in part by the mail

he said he has received, which he described as mostly supportive but all with the message, ''Please bring my kid home; please bring my husband home.''

''I will do my level best to bring those kids home without one single shot fired in anger,'' he pledged to the national television audience.

''And if a shot is fired in anger, I want to guarantee each person that their kid whose life is in harms way will have the maximum support, will have the best chance to come home alive, and will be backed up to the hilt. ... This will not be a Vietnam.''

He was explicit in promising that the United States would not again engage in a military standoff that is protracted or not backed fully, like the war in Southeast Asia that lasted for more than a decade and cost more than 58,000 American lives.

And asked if he was confident American troops would prevail against Saddam if called upon, Bush pointed to the substantial buildup he already has ordered and said, ''Oh, absolutely.''

But when asked at what price in American lives, he said he could not say. ''I can't give you that.''

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Unlike last year when a record December freeze sent heating oil prices spiraling to all-time highs, an industry meteorologist Friday forecast this December's weather and demand for heating oil would be normal.

Jon Davis, meteorologist for Lehman Brothers Inc. in Chicago, said: "The same kind of weather features we had last year are not present now - the high pressure ridge over the Atlantic, known as the Greenland Block and the accompanying low pressure trough over the eastern portion of the country."

The low-pressure trough allowed the west-to-east jet stream, which determines much of the nation's weather, to move southward over the East bringing cold Arctic air behind it.

Temperatures hit record lows in the Northeast, where much of U.S. heating oil is consumed, and supplies were reduced when the freeze damaged some of the nation's largest U.S. refineries located on the normally warm Gulf Coast and not insulated for cold weather.

"I think the Northeast will have some periods of cold weather in December but not the kind of extended frigid cold that the area experienced last year," Davis said.

The meteorologist, who correctly forecast the December 1989 freeze and the January thaw that followed, said a cold mass of air is expected to move into the Northeast the middle of next week for three or four days. It will send temperatures to below-normal levels - raising the question of whether this pattern will exist for weeks or months?

"At this stage of the season, my answer to this is 'no' at least not during December," said Davis, who forecasts weather patterns for his company's worldwide traders in grain, oil, and other commodities.

Last year, the Greenland Block and the accompanying formation of low pressure area at high altitudes over Hudson Bay - known technically as a Hudson Bay Vortex - "acted like a pump to bring Arctic air from the frozen North down into the Northeast," the weatherman said.

This year, "I find no Greenland Block and there is not yet the fomation of the Hudson Bay Vortex. Without thse two features, it is basically impossible to have a December like last year and unlikely that temperatures will be below normal for a two or three week period during the month," he said.

The National Weather Service in Washington Wednesday, in its annual 90-day forecast, said temperatures will be colder this winter east of the Mississipi River but slightly warmer than average in the Plains States.

Davis said, "I don't look at weather in 90-day cycles, that's difficult to do ... I don't touch 90-day stuff." The meteorologist said he will make another 45 day weather outlook at the end of the year.

Crude oil and home heating oil prices have been running higher than a year ago as a result of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and the markets' fear of a war in the Middle East unless Iraq evacuates the Persian Gulf emirate.

The Energy Department said Wednesday that Americans can expect to pay 46 cents more a gallon than last year if the the winter is severe and crude oil continues to trade at $35 a barrel.

Crude slipped to below $30 a barrel Friday as the market focused on the possibility of a negotiated peace after President Bush offered to send Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad to talk with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	386.50 up 1.50
Morning fixing	384.80 off 1.70
Afternoon fixing	384.85 off 1.65
Close	384.75 off 1.75
Paris	385.76 off 1.01
Zurich	384.50 off 1.50
Hong Kong	385.45 up 0.50
New York	
Comex spot close	383.30 off 5.60
Republic cash	382.25 off 5.75
Handy and Harman	384.85 off 1.95

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 386.15 off 1.96 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 405.46 off 2.06 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.122 up 0.037
Republic cash	4.145 up 0.035

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.10 per fine ounce up 0.015

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.10 off 0.02 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.387 off 0. 021

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 425.00 off 7.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 525.00 off 7.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 94.00 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 109.00 off 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) UPI - The tuna labeling bill just signed by President Bush will save thousands of dolphins, but conservationists say it may be even more important in showing new consumer demand for environmentally safe products.

The new law, signed by Bush Wednesday, sets strict guidelines and enforcements to assure consumers the tuna they buy in cans marked "dolphin safe" has been caught using methods that are not harmful to the sea mammals that once died by the thousands in tuna nets.

"The signing of the legislation is a major victory," said John Fitzgerald, counsel for the conservation group Defenders of Wildlife. "... It says we will not have to play dolphin roulette with tunafish sandwiches."

Under pressure from conservationists, the nation's three biggest tuna firms - Starkist Seafood Co., Bumble Bee Seafoods Inc., and Van Kamp Seafood Co.'s Chicken of the Sea brand - voluntarily pledged last spring to guarantee their tuna is caught using only methods that protect dolphins.

Accordingly, cans of tuna bearing the "dolphin safe" label began appearing on grocery shelves around the country, but conservationists continued to push for the labeling legislation to ensure the veracity of the companies' claims.

Many environmentalists are predicting the victory will keep the pressure on other industries to protect the environment in making and packaging their products and could lead to more "eco-labeling" laws to define and guarantee such ecological claims as "biodegradable."

"I think one of the basic tenets of this country is that consumers be given enough information to make intelligent choices about their purchases," said Chris Croft, legislative director for Friends of Animals, "... and one of the things they want to know is how a product affects the environment."

Croft called the tuna labeling measure "a first, very big step" toward greater eco-labeling. "I also expect to see other things," Croft said. "I expect to see industries falling in line with consumer demand ... and producing products that are more in harmony with nature."

"People are realizing the power of the consumer to do something for the environment and I'm really excited by it," said Robert Irvin, counsel for the National Wildlife Federation.

"The past year has really shown that American business has recognized the power of marketing products that at least purport to be environmentally responsible," said Irvin. As examples he noted "brown" coffee filters made without potentially hazardous chemicals to bleach the paper and new products that elimate the excessive packaging that's clogging the nation's landfills. "The challenge now is to make sure the claims meet reality," Irvin said.

Fear of setting a precedent that would open the door to further eco-labeling measures nearly torpedoed the tuna labeling measure, sponsored by Rep. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., in Congress.

"This has been part of the controversy regarding the bill from the beginning, at least from Representative (John) Dingell," D-Mich., said marine mammologist Nina Young of the Center for Marine Conservation.

Concerned about the precedent, Dingell, who heads the House Energy and

Commerce Committee, insisted on removal of a provision in Boxer's original bill that would have also required "negative" labeling of tuna failing the dolphin-safe test.

Young said as approved the dolphin-safe tuna bill may not set a blueprint for other eco-labeling, but added, "It shows that the consumer does have power. ... The precedent has been set that if the consumer does feel strongly enough he can make a difference."

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#90334u1284 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (NOV. 30) UPI - Egypt's violence-marred parliamentary elections were so closely contested that runoff elections will be held in 40 to 80 percent of the districts, reports said Friday.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak's ruling National Democratic Party had been expected to sweep the polls, boycotted by most major opposition parties to protest changes in the election laws.

Early results showed the NDP was well ahead of the independent candidates and contestannts from smaller parties who campaigned for the 444 seats in the National Assembly, Egypt's parliament.

But Egyptian newspapers said in early Saturday editions that in many districts no candidate managed to win at least 50 percent of the vote. As a result, runoff elections will be held in those districts late next week.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency predicted, based on the early results, that the NDP would ultimately capture 70 percent of Parliament.

Official results were expected Saturday afternoon.

Four people were killed in violent clashes between rival political factions and newspapers reported thugs had stolen ballots and rigged polling stations in isolated incidents throughout Egypt. But officials declared the elections were fair.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - President Bush moved today to give Iraq the opportunity it says it wants... the discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush says he is inviting the Iraqi foreign minister to Washington, D-C, to meet with him some time in the week of December 10th. Bush also is asking Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to receive Secretary of State Baker in Baghdad some time between December 15th and January 15th.

The January 15th, 1991, date is significant because it is the deadline set in a U-N Security Council resolution for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. The Security Council approved the resolution on a 12-2 vote yesterday, with China abstaining. The resolution authorizes the use of force to get Iraq out of Kuwait. Armed with that sentiment, Bush told reporters at the White House that he is determined to go ''the extra mile'' for a peaceful solution to the crisis.

Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein rejected the Security Council resolution. And the official Iraq News Agency reports today that the ruling body in Iraq blasted the resolution as ''null and illegal.'' The report says the Revolution Command Council in Iraq charged that the United States bribed countries to vote for the resolution.

Soviet leader Mihkail Gorbachev has canceled what would have been a one-day visit to the troubled southwestern republic of Moldavia. NO reason is given, although the trip is supposed to be rescheduled for a later day. Moldavia is the latest Soviet republic hit by separatist movements and ethnic disorders.

Weather conditions are back to seasonal norms around the country after many areas enjoyed unusual warmth earlier in the week. A freeze warning is posted for Shreveport, Louisiana, and gale warnings fly for the Gulf of Mexico off New Orleans. Parts of western New York state were dusted by snow after the passage of a squall while flood warnings remain up in Washington state.

Cigarette advertisements will NO longer be carried on the two television stations serving residents of Hong Kong. The move is the latest in a series to control the growth of smoking throughout Asia. It comes nearly 30 years after studies linked cigarettes to lung cancer.

A surprise bounty has been found in the lining of an old coat donated to a NON-profit human services center in Pontiac, Michigan. A volunteer worker sifting through a bag of used clothing this week found five- thousand dollars in small-denomination bills stashed in the coat's lining. The center is required to wait six weeks to see if anyone rightly claims the money.

U-S military authorities reportedly are planning to censor letters home from a disgruntled soldier in Saudi Arabia. Sergeant Dick Runels wrote in letters published by the Bay Voice paper in New Baltimore, Michigan, that troops in the desert are plagued by heat, frustration and flies. And he says the only threat to the United States is that- quoting now- ''we might pay two dollars a gallon for gas.'' Editor Tom Stanton says Runels was reprimanded by his base commander, who said future letters would be censored.

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UNITED NATIONS (NOV. 30) UPI - Israeli U.N. Ambassador Yoram Aridor rejected

Friday recent proposals for a greater United Nations role in resolving the conflict in the Israeli-occupied territories.

''Those who did nothing to assist us in times of peril,'' Aridor said, ''have no moral claim on us. They have no right to issue demands or dictate appeasement.''

Aridor made his comments to the General Assembly's debate on the ''Question of Palestine'' in an attempt to forestall an Arab initiative that parallels efforts in the Security Council.

It was the first statement by the Israeli ambassador since a group of non-aligned countries proposed a Security Council resolution aimed at protecting Palestinian civilians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The resolution, supported by the Palestine Liberation Organization, would station a U.N. observer in the occupied territories to monitor the situation.

The four non-aligned countries that drafted the resolution - Colombia, Cuba, Yemen and Malaysia - have pushed for a vote by the Security Council in the past three weeks. But U.S. Ambassador Thomas R. Pickering, whose presidency of the council ended Friday, has refused to allow one.

The debate on the Palestinian question has moved to the General Assembly, where Arab diplomats and others, including the European Community, continued to push for an international peace conference.

The annual debate on the Palestinian issue has had new energy this year as some Arab diplomats have attempted to link the conflict in the occupied territories with a resolution of the Persian Gulf crisis.

In response, Israel renewed charges of anti-Zionist bias by the United Nations dating back to the country's birth in 1948.

Since Oct. 8 - when Israeli security forces fired on rock-throwing demonstrators on Temple Mount, killing at least 19 Palestinians - the 15-member Security Council has condemned Israel twice for excessive violence and its refusal to receive a U.N. investigating team.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, who is planning a visit to Israel, also has called for a meeting of the 164 nations that signed the 4th Geneva Convention of 1949, which protects civilians in a war zone.

''I call upon all civilized nations to disassociate themselves from this discriminatory practice,'' Aridor said.

Aridor said Israel supports ''direct negotiations'' to end the Arab- Israeli conflict. But he gave no indication that Israel is willing to change its

longheld opposition to direct negotiations with the PLO.

And Aridor rejected the possibility of creating a Palestinian state in the occupied territories, proposing instead administrative elections.

''Allowing a PLO-ruled state in the heart of Israel is tantamount to allowing Sadam Hussein's missiles on the other side of Pennsylvania Avenue,'' he said. ''Israel, like any other sovereign state, is not in the business of collective suicide.''

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CHICAGO (NOV. 30) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.25-2.35 off 4 to up 6.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.76 1/2- 5.85 1/2 off 5 1/4 to 1 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.20 3/4-2.28 3/4 off 5 1/4 to up 2 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.35 3/4 up 2 3/4 to off 1/4.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $7 to $27 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.10 cent to 1.60 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - unchanged to 0.60 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.03 cent to 1.00 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $5.60 to $8.10 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.30 to $3.50 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.75 cent to 1.80 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 3.2 to 3.7 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce

contract.

World Sugar - 0.004 to 0.015 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in light trading.

Bonds - Higher.

American Stocks - Higher in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in cautious trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 2 3/4 to off 1/4, soybeans down 5 1/4 to up 2 1/2, wheat up 6 to down 1/2 and oats up 1 to 4 3/4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90334u1326 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

LEXINGTON, MA (NOV. 30) UPI - Half of all Americans are so worried about the economy they feel a repeat of the Great Depression is at least somewhat likely according to the results of a national poll released Friday.

That's a substantial increase from the 43 percent who were similarly pessimistic in November 1987, just after the stock market crash that year, said Decision Research Corp., which conducted the survey last month.

Moreover, when counted together, general economic issues were singled out by 40 percent of those polled as their chief worry, said Robert S. Duboff, senior vice president and top executive at Decision Research.

Economic issues were by far the most frequently mentioned concerns, Duboff said. These issues included the federal budget deficit and the savings and

loans crisis as well as vague economic concerns, he said.

Meanwhile, the second most commonly cited issue was the environment, mentioned by 35 percent of respondents, Duboff said. Fear of war in the Arabian Peninsula was next, mentioned by 31 percent, he said.

Growing gloom about the economy cut across sex and most age categories and was "the worst we've seen" in the half-dozen similar polls Decision Research has conducted over the past 13 years, Duboff said. The results of the poll in 1987 had been the most pessimistic to that date, he added.

Women were more negative about the economy overall, but slightly more men than women expressed great fears about the outlook for their own households. Also, Americans were generally more worried about the U.S. economy than about that of the world at large, Decision Research said.

On a scale of one to ten, where one means "not concerned" and ten means "extremely worried," Americans' feelings on the economy averaged 7.4, up from 6.2 in 1987. Respondents rated their concerns about their own households at an averge 6.7 percent on the same scale, compared with 5.8 percent in 1987. And 27 percent of those responding listed their anxiety levels on their own households at the full ten.

The results were based on polling of 300 people between ages 18 and 64 and had a margin of error of six percent, the company said.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.35

60 to 89 days 8.11

90 to 119 days 8.00

120 to 149 days 7.91

150 to 179 days 7.80

180 to 270 days 7.70

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.75 - 7.95

Issuers 30 days 7.88

Issuers 90 days 7.83

Issuers 270 days 7.40

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.75

60 to 89 days 8.45

90 to 119 days 8.35

120 to 149 days 8.30

150 to 179 days 8.25

180 days 8.22

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.25

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 7-16 - 7 9-16

1 month 8.50 - 8.625

3 month 8.25 - 8.375

6 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

Year 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.03 - 7.01

6 months 6.98 - 6.96

Year 6.84 - 6.82

Federal Funds: High 7 9-16, Low 7 1/2, Close 7 9-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.776 off 0.043.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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PROVIDENCE, R.I. (NOV. 30) UPI - A small Rhode Island bank whose owner is missing - as is $13 million in assets - will reopen next week so the process of liquidating the institution can begin, Gov. Edward D. DiPrete said Friday.

The Heritage Loan & Investment Co. will reopen Tuesday morning, ten banking days after DiPrete ordered it closed to stop a run on deposits and get a grasp on how much money was missing. Fred Franklin, director of the state Department of Business Regulation, said the bank would probably remain open through Dec. 18.

To make withdrawals orderly, only depositors whose last names begin with "A" or "B" will be able to withdraw their money the first day Heritage reopens. Withdrawals will continue to be made in alphabetical order on each succeeding day, and the last three days of the reopening - Dec. 14, 17, and 18 - will be reserved for depositors who missed their earlier chance to withdraw.

Franklin said there are $8.5 million in deposits at Heritage and roughly 1,000 depositors. Its private insurer, the Rhode Island Share and Indemnity Corp., has sufficient funds to cover all withdrawals, and depositors whose names come at the end of the alphabet need not worry about losing their money, Franklin said.

Heritage balance sheets show about $23 million in outstanding loans, though bank figures have been notoriously inaccurate and the loan amount could change he said.

Heritage's president and chief stockholder, Joseph Mollicone Jr., has been missing since Nov. 8. An arrest warrant charging him with embezzlement was issued last Tuesday, and his whereabouts remain uncertain. Investigators believe the estimated $13 million in missing assets were taken through fraudulent loans.

Some of the loans list Mollicone's relatives, business associates, friends and

even Mayor-elect Vincent A. Cianci Jr. as borrowers. But the purported borrowers say they never took out the loans or received the money.

In addition to the main Atwells Avenue office, Heritage has a branch on Pocasset Avenue in Providence. Franklin was unsure how long it would take to collect on all outstanding loans and sell off assets of the bank.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 30) UPI - A non-profit environmental trust said Friday it is seeking to take over MCA Inc.'s concession operations at Yosemite National Park, which were not included in the film company's sale to Matsushita of Japan earlier this week.

The Yosemite Restoration Trust, formed earlier this year by a group of conservationists and business people, said Friday it would present a bid to MCA to buy the Curry Co., which operates the Yosemite concessions, for an undisclosed sum.

During a meeting Thursday, trust officials asked MCA executives if they would consider donating the Curry Co. to the non-profit group, said Richard Goldman, a San Francisco insurance executive and philanthropist who sits on the trust's board.

Goldman, who was not at the meeting, said MCA was noncommittal about both the bid and the donation. "So far they haven't shown much interest in doing business with us," he said.

An MCA spokeswoman said company officials simply "sat and listened" to the trust members and referred them to tender offer documents expected to be filed late Friday. The spokeswoman said she had no comment on the future of the Curry Co.

Analysts estimate the Curry Co.'s operations in Yosemite, which include the famous Ahwahnee Hotel and virtually all of the park's businesses, are worth about $200 million.

U.S. park service officials pressured MCA not to include the businesses in its $6.6 billion sale to Matsushita because of concerns about foreign ownership of such symbolic assets in one of the "crown jewels of the national park system."

Matsushita has said it would sell the Curry Co. to a U.S. buyer within a year and place the company in escrow during that time, with all profits going to the park. Matsushita has agreed to give the National Park Service the chance to approve any buyer, park service spokesman Duncan Morrow said. Yosemite Park's concession operations have been a source of controversy among environmentalists for some time.

The Yosemite Restoration Trust was formed earlier this year to compete with the Curry Co. for the park concession contract when it expires in 1993. The group said it wanted to channel profits back into the park and implement the 1980 general management plan for Yosemite, which called for cutting back on hotel space and limiting the number of cars in the park.

Environmentalists argue that the Curry Co. does not put enough money back into the park and encourages development and congestion in the picturesque Yosemite Valley.

Critics contend that MCA reaped a profit of as much as $17 million last year in Yosemite while paying a franchise fee of only $635,772, or less than one percent of revenues.

James Ridenour, director of the park service, has said the fee is far too low and should be closer to 22 percent. MCA is not required to disclose its park profits under the concession contract.

Regardless of who buys the Curry Co., the National Park Service will not allow the buyer to pick up the Curry Co.'s current concession contract through 1993 without agreeing to new conditions, Morrow said.

The buyer will have to agree to new terms, which would likely include a higher franchise fee and greater commitment to the 1980 general management plan, Morrow said.

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(For Friday)

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1011.3
Thursday	1014.4
Week ago	1027.4
Month ago	1043.2
Year ago	1070.3
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1011.3

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	67 1-2	up 1	1-8
AT&T Company	32 1-8	up	1-2
BCE Inc	34	up	1-2
Bell Atlantic	54 3-8	up 1	1-4
BellSouth Corp	53 3-4	up 1	1-4
Exxon Corp	50 3-4	up	1-2
Ford Motor Co	27 1-2	up	1-2
Genl Electric	55	up 1	7-8
General Motors	36 1-2	off	1-2
GTE Corp	28 7-8	up	5-8
IBM Corp	113 7-8	up 1	7-8
Mobil Oil Corp	59 1-8	up 1	
Nynex Corp	71 1-4	up 2	
Pac Gas & Elec	24 3-4	up	1-2
Pacific Telesis	44 7-8	up	1-2
Phila Electric	16 7-8	up	3-8
Sears Roebuck	26 1-8	up 1	
Southern Co	27	up	3-4
Sthwestern Bell	55	up	3-8
US West Inc	37 1-4	up	3-8

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Industries earned slightly less than five cents profit on the dollar in 1989, down ten percent from the previous year - and with no outlook for improvement in the near future, Standard & Poor Corp. said Friday.

Companies making up the S&P Industrials saw profits fall from an average of 5.46 cents on the dollar in 1988 to 4.91 cents in 1989, and that average continues to slide. Profits for the four quarters ending in June fell to 4.38 cents for each sales dollar earned.

David M. Blitzer, vice president and chief economist of Standard & Poor, said the outlook for future profits is no brighter. "Given the present economic weakness and the strong likelihood of a recession in coming months, I see further declines ahead," said Blitzer.

"If the anticipated recession is similar to previous downturns, profits and returns on sales should deteriorate sharply," he said. "Earnings on the sales dollar could drop to 3.5 cents or less. The squeeze on profits is likely to be accompanied by a squeeze on investment and capital spending."

The S&P Industrials entered the 1980s at almost the same profit level that it ended the decade with. In 1980, profit on the sales dollar was 4.92 cents, just 0.2 percent higher than the 1989 figure of 4.91 cents.

During the 1980s, the Industrials' profits dropped to its lowest point in 30 years, 3.75 cents in 1986. In the next two years, profits turned upward, rising to 4.71 cents in 1987 and reaching the decade high point of 5.46 cents in 1988. The highest profit percentage figure in the 30-year span of the survey was reached in 1965, when the Industrials rose to 6.82.

Blitzer said that recent performance of earnings per dollar of sales is a sign of wider economic weakness ahead. "Profits usually are seen as a leading indicator of economic activity, and earnings per share tend to decline before the overall economy," he said.

The S&P Industrials is made up of 75 industry groups, and of these, 35 generated profits on the dollar above the 4.91 cents level, and 40 groups netted less than the Industrials' average.

The homebuilding industry led the list of profit gainers in 1989, with an increase of 109 percent, as profits on the sales dollar rose from 1.75 cents in 1988 to 3.65 cents. The 30-year record high for the industry was 7.66 cents set in 1967.

Other groups registering large percentage gains in sales profit in 1989 were toys, up 61 percent; food wholesalers, up 22 percent; communications and equipment manufacturers, up 42 percent; computer software and services, up 28 percent, and office equipment, up 26 percent.

Publishing had the greatest loss in 1989, dropping 93 percent, from 6.79 cents profit on the sales dollar in 1988 to a 30-year record low of 0.45 cents in 1989. In 1986, publishing attained its 30-year high margin of 9.71 cents. The previous record low was 0.58 cents, set in 1963.

Industry groups also suffering large losses in 1989 were building materials, down 72 percent; computer systems, down 52 percent; gold mining, down 47 percent; broadcast media, down 48 percent, and hardware and tools, down 33 percent.

Twelve industry groups set record highs for profits on the sales dollar in 1989. They were: beverages-soft, 8.59 cents; electronics-defense, 7.44 cents; engineering and construction, 1.89 cents; computer software and services, 11.67 cents; food wholesalers, 1.37 cents, and health care-composite, 11.87 cents.

Also, health care-drugs, 17.64 cents; restaurants, 9.67 cents; retail-department stores, 3.83 cents; retail-specialty, 5.16 cents; retail-specialty-apparel, 6.09 cents and telecommunications-long distance, 5.58 cents.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2559.65	up 40.84
20 Trans	853.00	up 24.97
15 Utils	212.09	up 3.84
65 Stocks	892.78	up 17.59

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2559.65	up	40.84	853.00	up	24.97	212.09	up	3.84
Thursday	2518.81	off	16.34	828.03	off	3.15	208. 25	off	1.01
Week ago	2527.23	off	12.13	844.12	off	5.73	209. 00	up	0.31
Month ago	2490.84	up	35.89	842.46	up	10.54	215. 92	up	0.31
Year ago	2747.65	up	41.38	1202.35	up	31.65	227. 80	up	2.89
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90334u1389 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Friday	-	$35,310,000
1990 to date	-	$10,072,331,000

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#90334u1396 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW CANAAN, Conn. (NOV. 30) UPI - A private relief group made final preparations Friday for the first in a series of airlifts to the Soviet Union that will deliver up to 1 million pounds of food and medicines.

AmeriCares, which has shipped more than $365 million of donated supplies around the world, said its first flight would leave Connecticut Saturday for Moscow to ease critical shortages before Christmas.

Several other flights will be made to the Soviet Union, including an airlift leaving Dec. 26 from JFK International Airport in New York with 250,000 pounds of medicines and foods.

AmeriCares responds quickly to emergencies in foreign countries with supplies

and funds donated by U.S. companies and individuals that are sent outside the normal channels of government.

The group has shipped supplies to many other countries following earthquakes and political upheavals, including Romania, the Philippines, Iran, Soviet Armenia, Mexico and El Salvador.

The first flight to the Soviet Union was scheduled to leave Saturday at 10 a.m. EST from Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks, Conn., with 80,000 pounds of supplies and arrive in Moscow on Sunday morning, Soviet time.

Several doctors and other medical personnel were scheduled to be aboard, along with antibiotics, analgesics, nutritional supplements and medical supplies requested by Moscow's Republican Children's Hospital.

AmeriCares said it was directing its relief effort at children, the ill and the elderly, who will suffer most from severe shortages of food and medicine as the harsh Russian winter arrives.

Medical experts and AmeriCares coordinators will stay in the Soviet Union to direct the delivery of the supplies and makes sure it reaches those most in need, the group said.

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#90334u1400 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Friday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	81,941,880	35	up 3/8
Adobe Systems	(ADBE)	71,090,672	25 1/4	off 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	70,845,360	37 1/2	off 1/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	66,839,092	72 1/4	up 1
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	49,983,928	19 7/8	off 1/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	37,982,000	36 3/4	unch
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	35,926,328	20 7/8	up 3/8
Medco		30,497,100	29 5/8	up 7/8
Oracle Systems	(ORCL)	28,485,686	7 7/8	up 1/2
St Paul Cos	(STPL)	25,560,466	63	up 1

Composite Index 158.12 up 1.45

NMS volume 110,939,104 shares.

Advances	965
Declines	579
Unchanged	1,229
Total	2,773

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#90334u1405 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:
Stocks - 12,610,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,096,527,010
Bonds - $2,940,000
1990 to date - $686,448,000

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#90334u1406 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 301.79, low 298.86, close 301.79, up 1.92.

There was a gain of 6 cents in the average share price.

Volume 12,610,000 shares, compared with 12, 650,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	5
New Lows	23
Advances	371
Declines	218
Unchanged	260
Total Issues	849

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#90334u1407 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.62	up 0.23
10 Public Utils	92.51	off 0.04
10 Industrials	88.74	up 0.50

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#90334u1416 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:
Stocks - 192,350,000 shares
1990 to date - 36,555,297,841
Warrants - 1,934,000
1990 to date - 238,278,300

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#90334u1421 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (NOV. 30) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Friday - 10,465,000
1990 to date - 2,777,721,000

The market closed higher.

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#90334u1422 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	301.79	up 1.92
High Technology	318.31	up 4.99
Capital Goods	315.08	up 1.95
Consumer Goods	385.60	up 4.23
Service	695.63	up 4.81
Retail	929.20	up 0.29
Financial	354.40	off 1.65
Natural Resources	218.06	up 0.91
Housing-Const-Land	225.47	up 4.27

There was a gain of 6 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	405.36	up 2.61
Mid Atlantic	409.12	up 0.79
No Central	389.72	up 2.66
So Atlantic	833.67	up 5.48
So Central	304.35	up 4.50
Mountain	103.22	up 0.97
Pacific	346.32	up 4.61
Foreign	215.23	up 0.89

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#90334u1423 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
BOCA RATON, FL (NOV. 30) UPI - Investment bankers and stockbrokers need to take steps to win back the trust of corporate clients and small investors who have lost faith in Wall Street in recent years, the incoming chairman of the New York Stock Exchange said Friday.

"I find leaders of the corporate world are more disappointed and downright angry with this industry then I have ever seen them," William H. Donaldson told members of the Securities Industry Association at its annual meeting.

"They see conflict of interest, they see excessive fees and, sometimes, judgment compromised by self interest," Donaldson said. As for the individual investor, "if there isn't the same anger or frustration, there is at least a

strong measure of dismay," he continued. Donaldson is scheduled to take the helm of the NYSE Jan. 1.

Individual investors have been spooked in part by a belief that the market has become too volatile. "The question is not whether markets are more volatile - in my personal view they are - but rather what can be done to modify today's practices and thereby reverse the attitudes that have scared so many individual investors from the marketplace. In my view, too many in the industry have given up on this," Donaldson said.

"Individual participation has been the cornerstone of our unique and liquid market system, and we lose it, in my view, at everyone's peril," Donaldson told the group.

In a separate speech, Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., also warned industry members about the need for restoring public confidence in the financial services industry after referring to the recent sentencing of Michael Milken, the former junk-bond king at Drexel Burnham Lambert.

"As we enter an economic downturn, it is absolutely essential that investors have confidence in our markets and confidence in the industry itself," Dodd said. "Investors simply are not going to be willing to part with their savings if they believe they are going to enter the market with the deck stacked against them, if they believe market professionals are not playing by the same rules."

Donaldson later told reporters the industry can take three specific steps to win back individual investors. "I think No. 1, we attack this volatility problem. No. 2, we do everything we can to create a level playing field," Donaldson said. "I think No. 3, we have to tell about the long-term benefits of stock ownership." Donaldson said he intends to take an active role in promoting stock ownership after taking office.

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#90334u1447 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) UPI - Unusual alignments of the sun, moon and Earth may increase the danger of coastal flooding and boating hazards in December and early January, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration warned Friday.

High tides will be slightly higher than normal and low tides will be slightly lower than normal because of the unusual series of events Dec. 1-4 and Dec. 30 to Jan. 2. They are:

-syzygy, which is a full moon, and perigee, which is the moon being closer to Earth than any other time during its monthly cycle, are expected to occur on Dec. 2 and again Dec. 31.

-tropic tides, which are caused by the moon being at its maximum northern point above the celestial equator, are expected Dec. 3 and Dec. 30.

-the winter solstice, which is the sun reaching its maximum southern point below the celestial equator during the year, will occur Dec. 22.

-perihelio, which is the Earth being closer to the sun than at any other time in its yearly orbit around the sun, is scheduled to occur Jan. 2.

No major coastal storms are expected the Dec. 1-4 period of extreme high tides but forecasters will be watching two weather ''hot spots.''

A storm is expected to develop along the Northeast coast Dec. 4-5 with strong winds occurring from Cape Hatteras to Nova Scotia. A major Pacific storm is expected to move into the Gulf of Alaska Dec. 4 with strong onshore winds from about Juneau to northwest Washington state.

''If these extreme high tides do occur during periods of heavy rain or onshore winds, localized flooding may occur,'' NOAA said.

''Extreme low tides may expose mariners to unexpected obstructions to navigation and other low water hazards, but may help to lessen slightly the threat of coastal flooding during a storm,'' it said.

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#90334u1460 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Daiwa Securities America, subsidiary of a Tokyo-based brokerage firm, said Friday it laid off 16 employees, or about four percent of staff, in various areas of the firm.

The cuts are not concentrated in any particular area, said Phillip Zachary, chief administrative officer. "We have reduced staff in areas where activity has diminished," he said. Three of the 16 people were engaged in corporate bond activities, an area, Zachary said, that had been "further de-emphasized."

Despite the cuts, Zachary said the firm has added staff in some areas including assets-backed securities, debt derivatives, real estate and equity arbitrage. The net result, he said, is that the staff level of 400, after the current reductions, will be the same as it was at the end of last September.

"We will continue a selective expansion of staff. Mr Koji Yoneyama, the chairman, stated this morning that we need to selectively expand staff "Zachary said, noting the firm expects to add 30 people in the first quarter of 1991.

He said there are no plans for further sizable layoffs, but minor adjustments

might be necessary: "Like any prudent management, we reserve the right to adjust our staff as needed. We plan on generally increasing the size of staff." Daiwa Securities America is the U.S. arm of Daiwa Securities Co.

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#90334u1465 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Moore Corp	4,386,700	22	off 5/8
Armco Inc	3,467,700	4 1/8	off 3/8
Motorola	3,236,200	50 1/2	off 3 3/8
Philip Morris	3,008,300	48 5/8	up 5/8
Genl Electric	2,781,000	54 3/4	up 1 5/8
FPL Group	2,679,900	27 3/4	up 1/8
Navistar Intl	2,633,600	2	unch
Nike Inc	2,617,000	34 1/8	off 1 7/8
PepsiCo	2,542,400	25 5/8	up 5/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	2,487,300	31 5/8	up 3/8
Genl Motors	2,287,000	36 1/2	off 1/2
Wal Mart Stores	1,926,400	30 1/8	up 5/8
AT&T Co	1,923,000	32 1/8	up 1/2
US Shoe Corp	1,823,300	8 3/8	off 1 1/8
Amer Express	1,810,400	20 1/2	up 3/8

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#90334u1466 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	24.35-24.45	28.00-28.05
North Sea Brent	30.25-30.35	34.30-34.35
West Texas Intermed	28.80-28.90	32.90-33.00
Light Louisiana Sweet	30.05-30.20	34.10-34.25
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	77.85-78.10	83.90-84.40
No. 2 Heating oil	85.75-85.90	92.75-93.00
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	70.65-76.80	80.10-80.30
No. 2 Heating oil	85.70-85.95	89.80-90.10

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#90334u1470 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 30) UPI - President Bush say he will ask Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to the White House for talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. And he says he is asking Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to meet with Secretary of State Baker in Baghdad some time between December 15th and January 15th.

Under the Bush idea, the Iraqi foreign minister would be in Washington, D-C, some time during the week of December 10th. But Bush also told reporters that he plans NO deal with Iraq but wants to deliver the message face-to-face that Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait, as called for in a series of U-N Security Council resolutions.

Iraq is rejecting the latest Security Council resolution, which gives the nation until January 15th to get out of Kuwait. The ruling Revolution Command Council in Baghdad says the resolution is ''null and illegal'' and was obtained by the United States bribing other countries.

The government's index of leading indicators fell for a fourth consecutive month in October... down one-point-two percent in a hint that the economy will be sinking for another six to nine months. The report is seen as further evidence that the nation is in a recession.

The Canadian government's information-gathering agency says the nation is in a recession, as indicated by two consecutive quarters of decline in Canada's gross domestic product. Statistics Canada says the nation's gross domestic product fell three-tenths of one percent in the third quarter of 1990, after a decline of seven-tenths of one percent in the second quarter.

The Japanese government in Tokyo says the cost of living in the capital city- already the highest in the world- posted its sharpest year-on-year rise in eight years in October... soaring three-point-nine percent. At the same time, the Japanese jobless rate remained stable at two-point-two percent.

NASA says the shuttle Columbia countdown is ticking along smoothly at Cape Canaveral, where a fiery pre-dawn launch on Sunday is to begin a 10-day mission that has been delayed for six months by fuel-leak problems. Technicians today fueled the electrical generators on board the spacecraft.

A federal district judge in Manhattan says he will order New York City to pay 150 dollars to each prisoner held for more than one day in holding cells that are NOT properly equipped for use. A New York report says the judge decided to fine the city out of frustration at the chronic violation of court-imposed limits on jail over-crowding.

A court official in Los Angeles says death threats had been reported against

rock star Madonna and they possibly contributed to her cancelling a court appearance today in a civil trial over a dispute with her neighbor. The neighbor sued because of Madonna's alleged violation of a written agreement to trim or cut down trees and shrubs that blocked the neighbor's view.

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#90334u1472 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
BAT Industries	650,800	11 3/16	up 5/16
Energy Service	511,000	2 3/8	unch
Hillhaven Corp	442,500	1 3/4	unch
New York Times A	373,800	18 1/4	up 5/8
PW Group wtB	338,100	9 3/8	off 1
Echo Bay Mines	320,500	8 3/8	off 3/8
Denmark King wt	316,200	19 3/4	off 1 5/8
Eksport Finc wt	253,200	9 3/8	off 1 1/8
Amdahl Corp	235,400	13 7/8	up 1/4
Salomon wt93Jan	231,200	18 7/8	off 1 5/8

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#90334u1477 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 30) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6345	up 245
Heinz pf	310	up 30
Captl Cities	421 1/4	up 16 1/2
CBS Corp	173	up 7 1/4
Amer Brands A	163 1/4	up 6 1/4
Lincoln Natl pfA	163	up 6
TRW pfD	122	up 5
Kyocera Corp	85 3/4	up 4 1/2
UAL Corp	97 1/2	up 3 5/8
Matsushita Elec	123 1/2	up 3 1/2
Hitachi Ltd	82 1/4	up 3 1/2

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#90334u1489 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended November 30, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Philip Morris	9,452,200	49 5/8	47 3/8	48 5/8	up 1/2
MCA Corp	9,025,300	66 1/8	65	66	up 5/8
Texas Utilities	8,402,300	37 5/8	35 3/4	37 1/2	up 3/4
Genl Electric	7,778,200	55 1/8	52 1/8	54 3/4	up 1 1/8
Genl Motors	7,682,200	38	35 7/8	36 1/2	off 3/4
PepsiCo	7,427,600	26	24 1/2	25 5/8	unch
Fedl Natl Mtge	7,273,400	31 7/8	29 1/2	31 5/8	up 7/8
IBM Corp	7,016,200	114 1/2	111 1/4	113 5/8	up 1
Waste Managemnt	6,465,000	33 1/8	31 5/8	32 3/4	off 5/8
Amer Express	6,192,200	20 5/8	19 1/4	20 1/2	up 3/4
Citicorp	5,915,900	13 3/8	12 1/4	12 5/8	up 1/4
Boeing Co	5,688,100	44 3/4	42 1/2	44 1/4	off 3/8
Wal Mart Stores	5,631,800	30 1/4	28 3/4	30 1/8	up 1/2
Limited Inc	5,615,500	16	13 7/8	15 7/8	up 1 7/8
BankAmerica	5,564,700	23 7/8	21 1/4	22 1/2	up 1/8
Baxter Intl	5,540,900	28 1/8	25 3/4	28 1/8	up 2 1/8
Motorola Inc	5,512,400	55 1/4	49 1/8	50 1/2	off 2 1/2
AT&T Co	5,344,900	32 5/8	31 3/8	32 1/8	unch
McDonalds Corp	5,167,100	29 3/8	27 1/4	28 1/8	off 1/2
Coca Cola Co	5,068,000	46 5/8	44 1/4	46 1/4	up 3/4

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#90334u1490 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) UPI - President Bush nominated outgoing Florida Gov. Bob Martinez Friday to replace William Bennett as national anti-drug director, and selected Bennett as the new GOP national chairman.

In a double-barrel White House announcement, Bush hailed Martinez, 55, and Bennett, 47, as proven leaders certain to make their marks on the war on drugs and Republican politics.

Some members of Congress, however, promptly criticized the selection of Martinez, calling the governor a ''political reject'' with inadequate drug-fighting experience.

Martinez, a Republican, was defeated in his Nov. 6 bid for re- election by Democrat Lawton Chiles. Bush's son, Jeb Bush, served as his campaign manager.

Chairman Joseph Biden, D-Del., of the Senate Judiciary Committee said Martinez ''lacks the background and record to suggest that he is well- suited for this task.'' Biden's panel will hold the confirmation hearings.

Bush called Martinez ''superbly qualified,'' saying he served as point man in Florida's war on narcotics as well as in the National Governors' Association's anti-drug efforts.

Bennett resigned on Nov. 8 as the first director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy. He served as education secretary in the Reagan administration.

The Republican National Commmittee is virtually certain in January to approve Bush's selection of Bennett as its new chairman. He would replaced Lee Atwater who has battled a brain tumor the past year.

Atwater, who would move to the new post of general chairman, said in a statement, ''I look forward to working with Bill Bennett as we build our party organization for the 1992 election,'' when Bush will be up for re-election.

The often outspoken and combative Bennett made no comment during his joint appearance with Bush and Martinez. The governor, in brief remarks, said, ''Filling Bill Bennett's shoes will be tough.''

Martinez praised Bennett for conducting an effective war on drugs, but said he would have to review the status of efforts before deciding whether there should be any changes in strategy.

Bennett has drawn fire for placing the emphasis on law enforcement over treatment and education.

Bush noted that Martinez was the first governor to name a state drug czar, brought in the National Guard to help combat narcotic trafficking in Florida and implemented so-called boot camps for drug offenders.

The president added, ''As a governor who signed more than 130 death warrants (for convicted felons) he understands tough choices and the need for penalities as tough as the criminals we face.''

Administration sources first disclosed on Nov. 18 that Martinez was being considered as Bennett's successor. The day before, they disclosed Bush's plans to pick Bennett as Republican national chairman.

Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., chairman of the House Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control, said, ''I'm a little disappointed that the president selected a political reject.''

Rangel said he expects Martinez to be confirmed for the job, but added, ''I just hope he gets more support from the president than Bennett did.''

Rangel has criticized Bush for refusing to make the anti-drug job a Cabinet post.

Bennett, in announcing his resignation earlier this month, called Rangel ''a gas bag'' who is more interested in generating publicity than solutions.

Rangel said Thursday, ''I hope Martinez becomes a friend of Congress, not an enemy. Bennett ran around insulting members of Congress and mayors. He didn't accomplish anything.''

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#90334u1492 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 3 to 100 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	75.25	75.90	75.25	75.80	75.20
Mar	73.05	74.24	73.05	74.18	73.18
May	73.15	73.90	73.15	73.88	73.19
Jly	73.25	73.70	73.25	73.50	73.22
Oct	67.85	68.05	67.80	67.85	67.75
Dec	65.30	65.50	65.30	65.35	65.25
Mar	66.01	....	....	66.04	66.01
May	66.37	....	....	66.42	66.37

Estimated sales: 5,000 contracts
Open interest: 40,751 up 680
The World spot average: 69.34

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#90334u1493 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended November 30, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
ENSCO	3,041,100	2 1/2	2 1/8	2 3/8	unch
BAT Indus	2,861,800	11 1/4	10 7/8	11 3/16	up 1/16
Fruit of Loom	2,107,000	8 5/8	7 3/8	8	up 1/2
Echo Bay Mn	1,928,800	8 3/4	7 1/2	8 3/8	up 7/8
Continental Air	1,611,900	3 1/2	2 3/4	3 3/8	off 1/8
PW Group wtB	1,381,100	10 3/8	9 1/4	9 3/8	up 1/8
Amdahl Corp	1,313,500	14 1/4	13 1/4	13 7/8	up 1/4
Denmark wt	1,146,000	21 1/2	18 7/8	19 3/4	up 3/8
Eksport wt	1,090,500	10 1/2	9	9 3/8	up 1/8
Salomon wtJn	1,005,700	20 5/8	18	18 7/8	up 3/8

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#90334u1504 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 30) UPI - Largest net changes amoung NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended November 30, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6345	up 220
Linc Ntl pf	163	off 50 3/4
Heinz pf	310	up 30
Captl Cities	421 1/4	up 20 1/4
CBS Corp	173	up 19
Atl Rich pfA	870	off 12 3/8
Am Brands pfA	163 1/4	up 12 1/4
GEICO	163 1/2	up 10 1/2
Wash Post	184	up 8 5/8
Kubota Ltd	100 1/8	off 7 7/8
Square D	47 1/2	off 7 1/4
Lilly Eli wt	71 3/4	up 7 1/8
Amer Stores	51 1/2	up 6 1/4
VaE pfM	97	up 6 1/4
Dillard DS	87 5/8	up 6 1/8

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#90334u1505 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - President Bush's offer to seek a peaceful settlement of the Persian Gulf crisis with Iraq before exercising a U.N. mandate to resort to force sent the dollar mostly lower in thin, pre-weekend New York trading.

Currency traders said Bush's pledge to "go the extra mile for peace" and send Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad for discussions with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein gave the market a reason to unload dollars.

Foreign-exchange players scrambled into the U.S. unit Thursday after the United Nations Security Council passed a resolution authorizing military force to drive Iraqi forces out of occupied Kuwait if they do not leave by Jan. 15.

But Bush's remarks lowered the warlike tone of the U.N. vote that had led investors to seek haven in dollars. Speculators took profits by selling them.

"The talk about sending Baker to Iraq for a final negotiation with Saddam did trigger a little unwinding of the long dollar positions," said John Lyman, chief New York customer dealer for the Bank of Tokyo.

In late New York trading, the dollar stood at 1.4965 German marks, down from 1.5030 marks Thursday, and 132.50 Japanese yen, down from 133.15. The British pound eased to $1.9430 from $1.9440.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2770 Swiss francs, down from 1.28; 5.0550 French francs, down from 5.0765; and 1,124 Italian lire, down from 1,130.

Harris Bank currency investment officer Lori Poyner said the dollar's selloff

"was definitely on Bush's more conciliatory tone."

Players focusing intently on the Persian Gulf mostly shrugged off the fourth straight monthly decline in the U.S. leading economic indicators reported by the goverment earlier Friday, she said. The barometer fell 1.2 percent in October.

In Europe, the dollar closed higher against the major currencies, surging as investors sought safety amid renewed Mideast war fears.

"I don't expect the actual outbreak of hostilities to affect the dollar positively. But in the short term, it is traditional that speculators seek refuge in the dollar when there's talk of war," said Avinesh Persaud, a currency economist at London broker UBS Phillips and Drew.

The dollar rose in both Frankfurt, to 1.5045 German marks vs. 1.4865 Thursday, and in Zurich, to 1.2790 Swiss francs from 1.2680.

In London, the pound declined to $1.9415 from $1.9575, not because of the dollar's surge but because foreign-exchange markets were taking into account an expected cut of half a percentage point cut in British base interest rates.

The dollar also strengthened in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to, respectively: 5.0795 French francs vs. 5.0260; 31.02 Belgian francs vs. 30.71; and 1,129.70 Italian lire vs. 1,117.95.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar soared against the yen in hectic trading following passage of the U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq, closing at 132.75 yen, up a hefty 2.60 yen from Thursday's close of 130.15. That was the highest closing rate seen in Tokyo in nine weeks.

Gold closed lower in Zurich, at $384.50 an ounce vs. $386, and in London, at $384.75 an ounce vs. $386.50.

Silver closed lower in Zurich, at $4.10 per ounce vs. $4.15, but was unchanged in London from Thursday's $4.13 an ounce.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $382.25 an ounce, downsharply from $388 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled December gold at $383.30 an ounce, down from $388.90.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.145 an ounce, up from $4.11. Comex silver ended trading at $4.122 an ounce, up from $4.085.

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#90334u1510 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5,

1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	359.06	up	3.31	348.86	458.28
Industrial	389.41	up	4.24	376.79	448.19
Finance	350.01	up	3.04	344.99	520.26
Insurance	429.06	up	3.94	417.14	559.37
Utility	463.27	up	0.97	446.24	739.74
Bank	248.11	off	0.45	249.01	416.65
Transport	388.98	up	3.70	381.40	477.46

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 158.14 up 1.47

Industrial Index 155.06 up 1.71

NASDAQ-100 Index 385.31 up 3.09

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#90334u1515 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) UPI - The Republican National Committee narrowed the field for the site of the 1992 national convention Friday to Houston, New Orleans and San Diego, the site selection committee announced.

After meeting in Washington to review the competing cities and what they can offer thousands of politicians, reporters and visitors, party officials knocked Cleveland and St. Petersburg, Fla., out of the running.

''This was a difficult decision because each city was competitive throughout the process and gave outstanding presentations to the committee,'' said Jeanie Austin, RNC co-chairman and chairman of the site selection committee. ''We were right at home in all of the cities.''

Members of the selection committee determined that the three finalists met the ''overall package of facility requirements.''

Houston is President Bush's adopted home town and New Orleans was the site of the 1988 Republican convention where Bush was nominated. San Diego is the power base of California's new GOP governor, Pete Wilson.

The site selection committee authorized negotiations with the three cities after which a final decision will be made.

The committee will make its final recommendation of one city at the RNC's winter meeting in Washington Jan. 24-26. The 165 members of the RNC will vote on the recommendation.

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#90334u1521 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.
Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Thu	Fri	Thu
Argntn austral	.000201	.000185	4968.00	5407.00
Australia dlr	.7741	.7714	1.2918	1.2963
Austria schill	.0946	.0956	10.57	10.46
Belgium franc-c	.0322	.0325	31.04	30.81
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0073	.0075	136.77	133.67
Britain pound	1.9425	1.9560	.5148	.5112
Britain 1-mo	1.9341	1.9476	.5170	.5135
Britain 3-mo	1.9192	1.9323	.5211	.5175
Britain 6-mo	1.9000	1.9135	.5263	.5226
Canada dollar	.8587	.8591	1.1646	1.1640
Canada 1-mo	.8557	.8561	1.1687	1.1681
Canada 3-mo	.8511	.8516	1.1750	1.1743
Canada 6-mo	.8440	.8445	1.1848	1.1842
Chile peso-f	.003114	.003114	321.18	321.18
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001845	.001847	542.07	541.56
Denmark krne	.1736	.1753	5.7595	5.7060
Ecudr sucre-z	.001171	.001169	854.10	855.68
Egypt pound	.3601	.3601	2.7768	2.7768
Finlnd mrkka	.2777	.2808	3.6010	3.5610
France franc	.1977	.1989	5.0590	5.0275
France 1-mo	.1975	.1988	5.0625	5.0310
France 3-mo	.1969	.1981	5.0784	5.0469
France 6-mo	.1959	.1971	5.1042	5.0727
Greece drach	.006525	.006637	153.25	150.68
Hollnd guildr	.5919	.5886	1.6895	1.6990
HongKong dlr	.1282	.1283	7.8000	7.7958
India rupee	.0555	.0556	18.03	17.97
Indo'sa rupia	.000536	.000536	1867.00	1864.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7733	1.7890	0.5639	0.5590
Israel shekel	.5048	.5048	1.9810	1.9810
Italy lira	.000889	.000885	1125.00	1130.00
Japan yen	.007547	.007496	132.50	133.40
Japan 1-mo	.007576	.007530	132.00	132.80

Japan 3-mo	.007605	.007524	131.50	132.90
Japan 6-mo	.007610	.007669	131.40	130.40
Jordan dinar	1.5509	1.5509	.6448	.6448
Kuwait dinar	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000343	.000343	2917.00	2916.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6092	.6073	1.6415	1.6466
Norway krne	.1705	.1721	5.8650	5.8100
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	423,550	423,500
P'pnes peso-z	.0365	.0365	27.36	27.36
Portugl escud	.007585	.007689	131.84	130.05
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5806	.5841	1.7225	1.7120
S.Africa rand	.3984	.4008	2.5102	2.4947
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010488	.010510	95.35	95.15
Sweden krona	.1778	.1791	5.6245	5.5850
Switzrl franc	.7833	.7862	1.2767	1.2720
Switzrl 1-mo	.7831	.7861	1.2769	1.2721
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7823	.7852	1.2783	1.2736
Switzrl 6-mo	.7809	.7841	1.2805	1.2753
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0374	26.74	26.74
Turkey lira	.000359	.000361	2783.00	2770.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6632	3.6632
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0202	.0202	49.55	49.55
Germany mark	.6678	.6667	1.4975	1.5000
Germany 1-mo	.6674	.6665	1.4983	1.5004
Germany 3-mo	.6664	.6656	1.5006	1.5025
Germany 6-mo	.6641	.6635	1.5058	1.5071
Yugosl dinar	.0969	.0989	10.32	10.11

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - Largest net changes amoung AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended November 30, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Seaboard Corp	114	up 6
Kansas G&E pf	92	up 5
Maxxam Inc	33	up 4 3/4

Viacom Inc B	21 5/8	up	4 1/2
Amrcs jnj ut	70	up	4
US Bioscience	17 3/4	up	3 3/4
Amrcs an ut	53 1/4	off	3 3/8
Citzns FsBncp pfA	20	off	3
SCE pfJ	96 1/2	up	3
Elan Corp	20 5/8	up	2 7/8

-30- 678

#90334u1525 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	359.06	353.90	359.06	up	3.31
Industrial	389.41	382.96	389.41	up	4.24
Finance	350.01	346.07	350.01	up	3.04
Insurance	429.49	423.07	429.06	up	3.94
Utility	464.92	457.03	463.27	up	0.97
Bank	249.92	246.74	248.11	off	0.45
Transport	389.21	382.15	388.98	up	3.70

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	158.14	up	1.47
Industrial Index	155.06	up	1.71
NASDAQ-100 Index	385.31	up	3.09

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share 8.17 up 0.08

Volume	110,939,104 shares
Advances	965
Declines	579
Unchanged	1,229
Total	2,773

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#90334u1526 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 30) UPI - Bond Calendar - New Issues Scheduled for Public Sale.

U.S. GOVERNMENT (Week of Dec. 2)

Dec. 3 - $20 billion T-bill auction ($10 billion in 13-week bills and $10 billion in 26-week bills).

Dec. 7 - Announcement of Dec. 13 52-week T-bill auction (industry estimate of $11.75 billion).

Tax-exempt Notes & Bonds (Week of Dec. 2) - Courtesy of The Bond Buyer
(Issues are to be negotiated unless otherwise noted.)
$68 million New York State Environmental Facilities Corp. revenue bonds.
$83 million Texas A&M University System revenue bonds.
$230 million Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority revenue bonds.
$100 million Orange County, Calif., Sanitation District certificates of participation.
$120 million West Virginia State Building Commission revenue bonds.
$375 million Orlando-Orange County, Fla., Expressway Authority revenue bonds.
$430 million State of Pennsylvania tax anticipation notes (competitive issue).
$60 million Signal Hill, Calif., Redevelopment Agency tax allocation bonds (competitive issue).
$160 million New Charlotte and New Durham Corporations, North Carolina, certificates of participation.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	231.40	236.30	230.90	235.40	231.70
Mar	233.50	238.30	233.10	237.50	233.90
Jun	....	....	....	239.70	236.10
Sep	....	....	....	242.10	238.50

Estimated volume: 110 contracts.
Open interest: 1,447 off 21.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	316.75	324.90	316.10	324.05	316.75
Mar	319.30	327.70	318.70	326.75	319.40
Jun	328.00	330.80	322.20	329.75	322.50
Sep	332.00	333.50	324.80	333.05	325.40

Estimated volume: 62,385 contracts.
Open interest: 157,764 up 2,975

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	173.15	177.55	172.80	177.05	173.35
Mar	174.70	178.80	174.30	178.30	174.70
Jun	176.00	179.30	175.85	179.60	176.05

Open interest: 5,012 up 510.
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	531.10	544.40	530.15	542.75	531.65
Jan	533.75	546.25	532.50	544.80	533.80
Feb	541.20	546.25	539.00	544.95	533.80

Estimated volume: 4,893 contracts.
Open interest: 7,767 up 99.

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#90334u1529 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter
--day as supplied by NASD.

Volume	131,276,100
Advances	1,163
Declines	692
Unchanged	2,342
Total	4,197

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#90334u1539 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the
National Market System in the week ended November 30, 1990.

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	308,684,992	74 1/4	67 3/4	72 1/4	up 1
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	246,336,000	20 1/4	19 1/2	19 7/8	off 1/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	225,538,000	38	34	37 1/2	off 1/4
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	223,348,000	38 1/2	34	35	up 3/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	210,836,000	38 1/2	35 5/8	36 3/4	unch
Centocor Inc	(CNTO)	172,348,000	47	42 1/4	46 1/2	up 1
Adobe Systems	(ADBE)	144,083,008	28	23 1/2	25 1/4	off 1/2
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	128,311,000	58 1/4	53	58	up 1/4
Medco		118,353,000	29 7/8	28 1/4	29 5/8	up 7/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	110,493,000	31 1/2	28	31 1/2	up 1/2

NMS volume 570,913,900 shares.

Advances	1,270
Declines	789
Unchanged	708
Total	2,767

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#90334u1554 11/30/1990 ~United Press International
(NOV. 30) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	25	17	16
New lows	37	35	31

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	1,120	139,965,000
Declines	422	32,525,400
Unchanged	452	19,859,600
Total	1,994	192,350,000

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#90334u1555 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 30) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	5
New lows	23

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	371	5,377,100
Declines	218	3,661,500
Unchanged	260	3,571,400
Total	849	12,610,000

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#90334u1557 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - The Daily News took its battle to survive a crippling 37-day strike into the courtroom Friday for a second time, trying to get the paper on sale at subway and commuter train stations.

Thursday, the paper filed a $150 million racketeering suit accusing unions of running a ''campaign of terror.''

Attorneys for the News appered in U.S. District Court in Manhattan Friday, asking for a temporary restraining order against a Metropolitan Transportaion Authority ban on news hawkers.

The paper accused the authority of reneging on an agreement that the News could place three news hawkers at each of 200 subway and commuter railway stations to sell the newspaper. It claimed the MTA's action infringed on the News' First Amendment rights.

Most newsstand vendors refuse to sell the News, citing incidents of violence and intimidation that make them fearful of handling the paper. Hawkers, many of them recruited at homeless shelters, generally sell the News for 25 cents, 10 cents less than its listed price.

John Sloan, a spokesman for the News, said the MTA backed out of the deal because of ''immense pressure from the Teamsters' Union'' after the newspaper had paid $50 each to the authority for hawker permits at subway, Metro-North and Long Island Rail Road stations.

As the bitter strike that has been punctuated by dozens of incidents of violence and vandalism ground on, Federal mediator Kenneth Kowalsky said another meeting had been arranged for Monday between management officials and representatives of the drivers' union.

The drivers are considered the most powerful of the nine striking unions that initiated the strike involving 2,500 News employees Oct. 25.

Thursday, the News and its owner, the Tribune Co. of Chicago, filed a 113-page racketeering suit in the same court, charging strikers with conducting a ''well orchestrated and centrally coordinated campaign of violence'' against newsstand owners and replacement workers.

It specificaly named the Allied Newspaper and Mail Delivers Union and 23 members, including three union officials, and the Allied Printing Trades Council, an umbrella organization for striking unions. Among the charges in the suit were attempted murder, arson, extortion and robbery.

Union adviser Theodore Kheel, a key target of the suit assigned to Judge Charles Haight, called it ''a crock of nonsense'' that represented ''the last act of desperation by a newspaper that has lost virtually all of its advertising and most of its circulation.''

Kheel, who has a national reputation as a labor expert, threatened to countersue the News, saying the charges of ''orchestrated and organized violence are false, defamatory and malicious'' and that ''the unions would be suing publisher James Hoge and his associates for libel.''

News management, which asked that the $50 million in damages sought be trebled under racketeering statutes to $150 million, accused Kheel specifically with ''operating behind a facade of respectability to embark a plan and scheme to personally benefit from such campaign of violence.''

It said the campaign of violence was aimed at forcing the Tribune Co. to sell the paper.

Kheel has been trying to organize a union-led buyout of the Daily News despite management statements that the paper is not for sale.

Two incidents in Brooklyn late Thursday and early Friday brought the number of strike-related reports made to the police since the strike began to more than 200, police said.

A private newscarrier reported that an unidentified man seized a bundle of the News from him at the intersection of Haring and Ave. X in Brooklyn, threw them into the street and fled about 7 p.m. Thursday.

Another Brooklyn man said he was loading copies of the News into a private vehicle at 461 Dean St. at 1 a.m. Friday when he was assaulted by four men in dark clothing. He was treated at Methodist Hospital for minor injuries to the face and head.

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#90334u1558 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended November 30.

	30 Indus			20 Transp			15 Utils		
Monday	2533.17	up	5.94	835.80	off	8.32	209.88	up	0.88
Tuesday	2543.81	up	10.64	839.13	up	3.33	209.13	off	0.75
Wednesday	2535.15	off	8.66	831.18	off	7.95	209. 26	up	0.13
Thursday	2518.81	off	16.34	828.03	off	3.15	208. 25	off	1.01
Friday	2559.65	up	40.84	853.00	up	24.97	212.09	up	3.84
Net Change		up	32.42		up	8.88		up	3.09

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#90334u1559 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	176.12	172.68	176.06	up 2.92
Industrial	217.84	213.68	217.84	up 3.67
Transport	135.02	131.15	135.02	up 3.64
Utility	90.72	89.30	90.68	up 1.41
Finance	117.32	115.12	117.32	up 1.77

Equivalent to a gain of 51 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 192,350,000 shares.

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#90334u1568 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended November 30:
Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2511.88	2564.60	2489.85	2559.65	up 32. 42
20 Trans	839.13	846.52	821.38	853.00	up 8.88
15 Utils	208.31	211.20	206.68	212.09	up 3.09
65 Stocks	876.80	890.98	866.67	892.78	up 11.11

20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

90.24 90.41 90.24 90.62 up 0.49

Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

125.37 125.37 124.20 123.80 off 1.41

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(NOV. 30) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.55	7.65	8.51
91-day Treasury bills	7.27	7.27	7.52
182-day Treasury bills	7.36	7.39	7.35
1-year Treasury bills	7.32	7.35	7.16
3-year Treasury notes	7.66	7.72	7.69
7-year Treasury notes	8.17	8.24	7.78
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.40	8.49	7.88
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.90	8.84	8.66
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.69	9.73	9.12
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.83	8.87	8.89
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.30	9.18	8.87
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.30	9.35	9.11
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.30	9.33	9.09

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90334u1605 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended November 30 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	131,241,920	140,953,750	1,121,600	833, 300
Tuesday	147,591,930	161,225,260	1,282,900	861, 800
Wednesday	145,488,380	140,656,931	900,400	1, 401,800
Thursday	141,022,740	Holiday	655,200	Holiday
Friday	192,348,870	63,351,670	1,934,000	459,400
Total	757,693,840	506,187,611	5,894,100	3,556, 300

Bonds

	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 30,510,000	$ 36,175,000
Tuesday	$ 39,233,000	$ 42,703,000
Wednesday	$ 43,708,000	$ 32,809,000
Thursday	$ 37,056,000	Holiday
Friday	$ 35,311,000	$ 16,213,000
Total	$185,733,000	$127,900,000

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#90334u1607 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (NOV. 30) UPI - Investor Randall Hubbard formally launched a proxy fight Friday for control of Hollywood Park race track, charging that current mangement has allowed the facility to deteriorate in recent years.

The announcement, disclosed in a Securities and Exchange Commission filing and a letter to shareholders, was not a surprise. Hubbard, owner of race tracks in Kansas and New Mexico and holder of 9.9 percent of Hollywood Park Operating Co., has previously called on management to step down.

The current management, headed by Marjorie Everett, proposed earlier this week that the track and its 347 acres be sold. Analysts say the property, in Inglewood adjacent to the Great Western Forum and near Los Angeles International Airport, could fetch $250 million.

Hubbard, chairman and chief executive officer of Texas glassmaker AFG Industries, said in the letter, "Through a combination of what I believe to be mismanagement and bad judgment, Mrs. Everett has permitted Hollywood Park to decline into the second tier of racetracks from its former position of greatness."

The Hollywood Park companies - Operating and Realty - lost more than $25

million between 1987 and 1989, due to declining attendance and debt payments from their 1984 purchase of the Los Alamitos race track in Cypress, Calif. The track sold Los Alamitos late last year.

The proposal to sell the track was officially made by Hollywood Park Operating Co. to Realty, which owns the track. Realty is scheduled to address the issue at its meeting Dec. 5. Everett has high-powered allies on the Operating Co. board, including financier Merv Griffin, producer Aaron Spelling, and actor John Forsythe.

Everett has pointed out that the companies' nine-month earnings for this year are $4.6 million, boosted through revenues from off-track betting through simulcasting of races. Spokesman Charles Perkins said Friday, "We regret that Mr. Hubbard does not support our efforts to seek sale of the track and get the greatest shareholder value."

Hubbard said that Everett's leadership "led Hollywood Park to the very brink of financial ruin." In addition to the Los Alamitos deal, which caused a book loss of $4.7 million, he cited:

- The construction of a $40 million Pavilion of the Stars, which he said is "so poorly designed and located that, according to a media report, 'people couldn't see the races and no one wanted to go there."'

- Average daily on-track attendance in 1989 was 18,200, down nearly 43 percent from the 31,900 in 1980.

- Average daily on-track betting handle, or the total amount wagered at the track, has dropped to $4.66 million in 1989 from $5.27 million in 1980.

- Everett has been unable to retain track management because of a style described by one writer as being "so overbearing, so critical, so unwilling to delegate authority" that there has been frequent turnover.

- Hollywood Park has operated its concessions for the past three years at an average net profit of 12 percent of sales, while rival Santa Anita in Arcadia achieved a 23 percent average net profit during the same period on similar revenues.

But analyst Kenneth Campbell of Audit Investments in Montvale, N.J., said that it may be difficult to sell the track given the battered real estate market. "Still, there's a case to be made that given the track's size and proximity to the airport, there's a lot of value," Campbell said.

Campbell also said that Everett's credibility as a manager has suffered because of her "less than deft" handling of the Los Alamitos deal. "My perception is that the management are good racing people, but when it comes to the big leagues of real estate development, they have a long long way to go,"

he said.

Shares of the companies, which are traded on a paired basis and have gained about $4 this week, were unchanged Friday at $37 a share in over the counter trading.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Stock exchange sales for the week ended November 30.

New York Stock Exchange: Stocks - 757, 693,840 shares, compared with 506,187,611 a week earlier and with 802,871,600 the year before. Warrants - 5,894,100 compared with 3,556,300 a week earlier and with 2,932,400 the year before. Bonds - $185,733,000 compared with $127,900,000 a week earlier and with $185,326,000 the year before.

American Stock Exchange: Stocks - 60,448, 405 shares, compared with 37,218,035 a week earlier and with 61,833,995 the year before. Bonds - $17,215,000 compared with $11,928, 000 a week earlier and with $12,002,000 the year before.

Midwest Stock Exchange: Stocks - 46,174, 000 shares, compared with 29,071,000 a week earlier and with 57,948,000 the year before.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Nov 30, 1990	60	205	1251	651	274	2176
Nov 23, 1990	42	186	831	975	326	2132
Dec 1, 1989	181	118	1126	724	264	2114
Dec 2, 1988	79	104	1081	782	289	2152

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(NOV. 30) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Nov 30, 1990	24	184	457	342	208	1007
Nov 23, 1990	20	164	349	408	217	974

Dec 1, 1989	43	67	400	403	187	990

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended November 30:

High	Low	Last	Net change
301.79	294.65	301.79	up 5.79

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended November 30:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	176.12	170.68	176.06	up 3.67
Industrial	217.84	211.20	217.84	up 4.48
Transportation	135.02	131.05	135.02	up 0.53
Utilities	90.68	88.37	90.68	up 1.55
Finance	117.39	112.88	117.32	up 3.52

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 445.98, up 1.28 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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(Balloting of Baseball Writers' Association of America will take place throughout December, with results announced in early January. To gain election player must be named on 75 percent of returned ballots.)

First-Year Candidates 1, Bob Bailor. 2, Larry Bowa. 3, Al Bumbry. 4, Jeff Burroughs. 5, Rod Carew. 6, Rich Dauer. 7, Rollie Fingers. 8, Oscar Gamble. 9, Larry Gura. 10, Mike Hargrove. 11, Richie Hebner. 12, Burt Hooton. 13, Art Howe. 14, Mike Jorgensen.15, Bruce Kison. 16, Jerry Koosman. 17, John Lowenstein. 18, Al Oliver. 19, Steve Rogers. 20, Rusty Staub. 21, Ellis Valentine. 22, John Wathan. 23, Pat Zachry. 24, Geoff Zahn.

Holdover Candidates 1, Dick Allen. 2, Bobby Bonds. 3, Ken Boyer. 4, Jim Bunning. 5, Orlando Cepeda. 6, Curt Flood. 7, Ferguson Jenkins. 8, Jim Kaat. 9, Harvey Kuenn. 10, Mickey Lolich. 11, Sparky Lyle. 12, Bill Mazeroski. 13, Minnie Minoso. 14, Thurman Munson. 15, Tony Oliva. 16, Gaylord Perry. 17, Vada Pinson. 18, Ron Santo. 19, Luis Tiant. 20, Joe Torre. 21, Maury Wills.

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(NOV 30) UPI - A cold front carrying freezing temperatures brought an end to Indian summer in the South and Middle Atlantic states Friday, while more rain soaked flood-ravaged Washington state.

After days of warm, sunny weather, things returned to normal for late November in the East and South. Morning lows were in the 20s and 30s across much of the nation east of the Rockies with freezing temperatures reported as far south as Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi.

Small craft advisories posted along Florida's northern east coast and the coast east of the mouth of the Mississippi River,with seas reaching 9 feet, the National Weather Service said.

Gale warnings were in effect for the waters off New Orleans in the Gulf of Mexico and in the Atlantic coastline in North Carolina.

Flood warnings were posted in rain-soaked Washington state for the Cedar and White rivers and snow or ice pellets were reported in the western interior region of the state.

Most rivers were still falling despite the rain Friday, but the Cedar River at Renton and the White River below Mud Mountain Dam were above flood stage and were expected to fall slowly late in the day.

A snow advisory remained in effect for the Cascade and Olympic mountains of Washington.

Snow squalls dumped a quick inch of snow on the ground in western New York state, but eased toward daybreak and in New York City, it was clearing, windy and cold with a low in the 30s.

Clear skies covered the Midwest, but winds gusting to 55 mph whipped through Wyoming. Mostly clear skies and lows in the 50s were reported in Southern California with winds up to 12 mph.

Drought conditions continued in Southern California. Just 0.21 inches of rain has fallen in Los Angeles since the first of July, less than 10 percent of the normal rainfall for that period of time.

Much of a subdivision in Highland, Ind., about 30 miles outside Chicago, still was underwater Friday after a levee along the Little Calumet River broke earlier this week. About 100 familes were forced to evacuate their homes when the levee broke Wednesday.

''We are telling most of the people we don't expect them to be able to return even under the best of circumstances until at least sometime next week,'' Highland Police dispatcher Donna Hardacker said.

The NWS in St. Louis issued a statement Friday in reponse to reports of strange lights in the night sky, blaming the sightings on a milky white cloud located very low on the horizon. The cloud, the NWS said, probably looked strange due to the full moon and clean atmosphere.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.76	9.39
Anchor Fund Inv	13.91	14.76
Delaware Mutual	16.81	18.03
Fidelity Fund	16.33	16 33
Investor Mutual	11.00	11.58
Investor Stocks	18.28	19.24
Investor Select	8.42	8.86
IDS Equity Plus	8.82	9.29
MFS Growth Stk	8.48	9.14
Nicholas Income	3.09	3.09
Utd Accumulated	6.15	6.72
United Income	16.61	18.15
Vang Wellington	16.29	16.29

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(NOV 30) UPI - The latest salvo in Arturo Torres' legal battle against Pizza Hut Inc. was to be fired Friday in federal court in Wichita, Kan., as Torres fought to hold on to his domestic Pizza Hut franchises.

Torres' attorneys were expected Friday to file a motion opposing Pizza Hut's request for a summary judgment that would allow it to immediately disenfranchise Torres. The motion was expected to be filed by 6:30 p.m. EST.

Pizza Hut, of Wichita, Kan., claims that Torres' Pizza Management Inc., of San Antonio, Texas, violated franchise agreements by allegedly paying some fees late and transferring some closely held stock without authorization.

The fight between Torres and Pizza Hut began in 1986, when Torres sought to

take his closely held Pizza Management Inc. public, a right he claimed under a 1976 agreement with Pizza Hut's original owners.

But Pizza Hut, purchased by PepsiCo Inc. in 1977, said an amended 1981 agreement with PMI allowed a public offering of only 26 franchises, about two thirds of the franchises owned by PMI.

Torres filed suit against Pizza Hut and PepsiCo in U.S. District Court in Wichita. He lost on several issues in a 1989 summary judgment that found in favor of Pizza Hut.

Now he is seeking review of the case in a federal appeals court in Denver.

The papers scheduled to be filed Friday in Wichita were in response to a counterclaim by Pizza Hut, seeking to remove PMI's franchises.

PMI claims a franchise fee payment in January 1988 was late by three days. Payment was delayed, it says, because of a dispute over monetary incentives from Pizza Hut to PMI for expanding its delivery operation. PMI also contends the stock transfer was authorized by senior officers of Pepsico and ''existing agreements between PMI and Pepsico.''

If the franchises were removed, Torres would not be able to sell products under the Pizza Hut name.

Torres, whose company owns 218 Pizza Huts in the United States, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, said he is ''fighting for his life. ''

He began his career washing dishes in a Pizza Hut in 1965. By 1989, his company had sales of $135 million and was ranked the sixth-largest Hispanic-owned business in the United States by Hispanic Business magazine.

''The only thing we seem to have done wrong is to disagree with them and to try to use our right to sell,'' Torres said in a telephone interview. ''Our right to take the company public is valid.''

Pizza Hut spokesman Roger Rydell said from Wichita the company wants its franchise operators to retain a 51 percent interest in their businesses.

''If they wanted to issue stock in their company, they could do so, but they need to retain a controlling interest in it,'' he said. ''We wonder how attentive and how committed a franchisee would be to our business if they do not have a controlling financial interest.''

Rydell said Pizza Hut would not let its franchisees ''become absentee franchisees'' because it wants to maintain quality and consistency and encourage innovation.

Pizza Hut, with projected 1990 sales of $4 billion, holds a 25 percent market share.

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (NOV. 30) UPI - Colorado Coach Bill McCartney, who turned a trick that no coach since Missouri legend Don Fauort managed nearly 50 years ago, was voted the United Press International Big Eight Conference Coach of the Year, it was announced Friday.

Not since Faurot's teams in 1940 and '41 won consecutive league titles has a team other than Oklahoma or Nebraska won back-to-back outright Big Eight Conference titles. McCartney's Buffaloes went 7-0 in the league in both 1989 and '90.

It is the second consecutive Coach of the Year honor for McCartney and third overall for the 50-year-old coach. Only five-time winner Barry Switzer, who was honored after strong Oklahoma seasons in 1973, '74, '85, '87 and'88, has been named coach of the year more often.

McCartney won in close balloting as Kansas State Coach Bill Snyder was the runnerup. Kansas Coach Glen Mason also received mention among the ballots received from a panel of 36 sports writers and broadcasters throughout the Big Eight region.

The Colorado coach took over a program in 1982 that was among the worse in college football. The Buffaloes went 2-8-1, 4-7 and 1-10 in McCartney's first three seasons before posting a break-through 7-5 mark in 1985. Still, it was not until the Nebraska game in 1989 that McCartney was able to even his coaching record and the success of last season and '90 have pushed his career mark to 55-46-2. He is 48-21-1 over the past five seasons.

McCartney took the team through some tramatic changes in his tenure. At one time the Buffaloes were a pure passing attack, but the coach scrapped that for a wishbone attack. This year Colorado became much more balanced, with Eric Bieniemy finishing 14 yards short of the national rushing title while Darian Hagan passed for 1,538 yards.

Colorado also owns a staunch defensive unit, anchored by linebackers Alfred Williams and Kanavis McGhee. The defense allowed just 2.9 yards a rush.

McCartney was nearly lured away to Southern Methodist two years ago, but has apparently decided to make Colorado his only head coaching job. Last summer he signed a 15-year contract with the Buffaloes.

Snyder helped Kansas State post its best record since 1982 by guiding the Wildcats to a 5-6 mark. It was a four-game improvement over 1989, Snyder's

first year as a head coach, and marked one of the greatest gains in records in the nation this season.

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#90334u1755 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (NOV. 30) UPI - South African Foreign Minister R. F. ''Pik'' Botha flew to Kenya Friday and met President Daniel arap Moi in the highest-level contact between the two nations in more than 27 years, and the two sides agreed to establish air links starting next week.

In South Africa, South African Airways said ''approval has now been given by the Kenyan government to introduce a weekly service to Nairobi'' starting on Dec. 8, with a special ''approving'' flight on Dec. 2.

The announcement ended weeks of confusion over whether SAA had been granted approval by the Kenyan government to fly to Nairobi and was the first indication that Botha's mission had been a success.

A brief statement released by Kenya's State House said Moi ''conferred with the South African foreign minister, Mr. Pik Botha, who paid him a courtesy call.''

''Mr Botha also presented President Moi with a special message from President F.W. de Klerk,'' the statement said.

In one of the most outspoken welcomes for changes in South Africa from any African leader, Moi forecast a coming era of cooperation.

Addressing a group of industrialists in Nairobi later Friday, Moi told them: ''Soon South Africa will be part of Africa.''

He warned Kenya faced stiff economic competition. ''But we will cooperate with them, work with them,'' he said.

Accompanied by deputy director general of foreign affairs Rusty Evans, the veteran South African foreign minister flew into Nairobi to a low-key welcome from which red carpets were noticeably absent.

He was greeted by the Kenyan chairman of the Lonrho Group - millionaire businessman Tiny Rowlands' multinational, which has major investments in both Kenya and South Africa.

The chairman, Mark arap Too, asked international press to leave the V.I.P. terminal and said: ''It's a private visit - refueling.''

State-run radio in South Africa, however, announcing the surprise trip, said it was regarded as ''very important in government and diplomatic circles,''

the latest in a series of diplomatic breakthroughs South Africa has enjoyed since de Klerk unveiled a racial reform program in February.

On its independence from Britain in 1963, Kenya severed all commercial, cultural and political ties with South Africa. The decision to renew air links was shortly followed by a visit to Nairobi by a South African trade official investigating new economic relations.

Although it severed ties, Kenya has continued to allow European airlines to stop in Nairobi en route to South Africa.

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SAN FRANCISCO (NOV. 30) UPI - A federal indictment Friday charged that the owners of I-Chem Research, the major supplier of sample containers for soil and water pollution testing nationwide, may have provided contaminated beakers.

The indictment raises questions about the validity of Environmental Protection Agency enforcement actions under the federal Superfund law between 1983 and 1986.

The nine-count indictment charges that the Hayward, Calif.-based company and owners Anita and Marvin Rudd, failed to perform quality control testing between 1983 and 1986 to insure the containers were contaminant-free.

The containers were used to collect site samples that formed the basis of enforcement actions by the EPA to clean up hazardous waste sites under the Superfund law.

H. Brooks Griffin, EPA inspector general for investigations in San Francisco said, ''We know of instances where customers (of I-Chem) notified the company of contamination problems over the years.''

Assistant U.S. Attorney Ross Nadel refused to comment on the potential effects contaminated containers may have had on specific EPA investigations.

EPA enforcement experts in Washington were unavailable for comment.

Griffin said I-Chem was the sole supplier of the sample containers for a number of years and remains one of the major suppliers across the country.

He said a former I-Chem employee tipped the EPA about the allegedly lax quality-control standards.

Under federal contracts, I-Chem was the EPA's sole supplier of sample containers from June, 1983 to Dec. 1987, according to Nadel.

The contract required not only clean containers but also testing to insure the purity of the sample holders.

The Rudds are charged with one count of conspiracy to defraud the United States and seven counts of filing false claims to the EPA, allegedly for $500,000 of testing work that was not done.

Marvin Rudd is also charged with one count of using false documents.

Griffin said not only the EPA used the containers but also state agencies and corporations and individuals accused of polluting, used them to test water and soil for pollutants.

Anita Rudd faces a potential 45 years in prison and $2.7 million fine if convicted, Nadel said. Marvin Rudd faces a potential 50 years in prison and a $3 million fine.

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#90334u1772 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) UPI - In the first official visit to the United States by China's foreign minister since the crushing of the pro-democracy movement in June 1989, President Bush glossed over the issue of human rights Friday and focused on common opposition to Iraqi aggression.

''I'm always inclined to emphasize the positive - and there are many positive and very important aspects of this relationship, very important. And not the least of which is that China and the United States have made common ground in terms of standing up against aggression,'' said Bush.

The Bush meeting with Qian Qichen followed a session between the foreigndiplomat and Secretary of State James Baker where the two agreed that ''no stone should be left unturned'' in efforts to solve the gulf crisis peacefully.

According to a State Department statement, Qian said China agreed with Bush's decision to send Baker to Baghdad to talk with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Qian's visit followed by one day the passage of a U.N. Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq, if that option is deemed necessary. China abstained from voting on the resolution.

China had voted with the United States on 11 earlier resolutions condemning the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The visit by Qian drew strong protest from Asia Watch, a organization concerned with human rights issues.

In a letter to Baker, Asia Watch said: ''The invitation, which in effect ends the U.S. ban on high-level contacts with China, comes at a time when repression in the People's Republic of China is not lessening but, in fact, seems to be intensifying.''

At the White House, Bush said he thought ''the Chinese government knows that we have some differences on this whole broad question of human rights but we have many things in common.''

Bush added that the Chinese probably also had some problems with U.S. actions, but he added, ''We've worked very closely in the broad concept of stopping aggression and, of course, that is something that we have in common with this very important country.''

The State Department stressed that Baker had met Qian four times since the Tienamen Square crackdown and announced that two senior U.S. officials, Richard Schifter and Reginald Bartholomew, will make separate trips to China ''in the near future'' to discuss human rights and concerns about the spread of nuclear technology.

The administration has also invited a Chinese deputy trade minister to Washington in December to discuss bilateral economic issues. The State Department defended that invitation since U.S.-China bilateral trade currently amounts to $20 billion a year and is important to U.S. exporters.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - President Bush's move Friday to relaunch the quest for a diplomatic solution to the Persian Gulf standoff helped U.S. Treasury bonds regain some of their losses incurred on heightened war fears the day before.

Treasuries also were helped by news the nation's leading economic indicators fell 1.2 percent in October, the fourth-straight monthly decline. The latestfigure, a bellwether of economic performance in the period ahead, provided confirmation the U.S. economy is in a pronounced slowdown.

The government's benchmark 30-year bond, the 8 3/4 Treasury maturing Aug. 15, 2020, finished trading Friday at 103 26/32 to yield 8.40 percent, compared with 103 9/32 and 8.44 percent the week before.

Bond prices declined sharply Thursday, when the U.N. Security Council passed a resolution authorizing the use of military force to bring Iraq's occupation of Kuwait, now four months old, to an end by Jan. 15.

Investors saw war looming, and with it higher oil prices and another spike in inflation like the one seen in early autumn. Expectations of inflation, which

erodes the return on bonds, drives down their prices.

So President Bush's offer to ''go the extra mile for peace'' by sending Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad to see Iraqi President Saddam Hussein calmed bond markets leery of warfare in the oilfields.

''Signs of renewed diplomatic efforts on the part of the United States emerged late Friday morning and a stunning decline in oil prices of nearly $4 (a barrel) helped support the Treasury market's best rally attempt of the week,'' said Smith Barney analyst Peter Greenbaum.

Economists said they expected the Federal Reserve to lower interest rates further, if cautiously, to cushion the downturn.

While Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan this week spoke of a ''meaningful downturn'' rather than a recession, DKB Securities Corp. chief economist Philip Braverman argued distress in the nation's financial sector, tight credit conditions and other recessionary symptoms ''mandate aggressive Fed easing.''

But Merrill Lynch Capital Markets senior strategist Thomas Sowanick said bond market participants were ''disappointed that the chairman did not use more aggressive language'' in his testimony on easing.

''As a result,'' Sowanick said, ''the market will very likely require weaker-than-expected economic data before it can return to the pre- invasion levels of early August.''

Non-inflationary Fed easing tends to boost Treasury bond prices, because when interest rates in general decline in response to such Fed moves, the fixed returns of government securities look more attractive. Investors also move to bonds in recessions as stock portfolios stagnate or lose value.

Analysts also noted that year-end financing demands for ''window- dressing'' of balance sheets are putting upward pressure on money-market rates, which could become a bearish influence if they continue into early next year.

Ten-year Treasury notes ended Friday at 101 21/32 to yield 8.25 percent, vs. 101 14/32 and 8.28 percent a week before. Five-year notes ended at 99 25/32 to yield 7.92 percent vs. 99 20/32 and 7.95 percent - the price and yield when auctioned by the Treasury Wednesday.

Three-year Treasury notes closed at 100 7/32 to yield 7.66 vs. 100 10/32 and 7.62 percent. Two-year notes were at 99 23/32 to yield 7.53 percent vs. 99 24/32 and 7.49 percent at auction Tuesday.

Six-month Treasury bills were discounted at a rate of 7.00 percent to yield 7.35 percent, vs. 6.96 percent and 7.31 percent a week earlier. Three-month Treasury bills were discounted at 7.03 percent to yield 7.25 percent, vs. a

discount of 7.02 percent and yield of 7.24 percent a week before.

Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc.'s long-term Treasury bond index closed Friday at 1,306.97, a gain of 5.61 points, or 0.43 percent.

The Fed funds rate, set on short-term lending of reserve funds between banks, ended slightly over the perceived target rate of 7.5 percent.

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WASHINGTON (NOV. 30) UPI - A Louisiana center for people suffering from leprosy will also be used as a low-security prison for inmates needing long-term medical care, officials announced Friday.

The Gillis W. Long Hansen's Disease Center in Carville, La., will provide ''residential and clinical services to low-security federal prisoners in need of long-term medical care,'' said Health and Human Services Assistant Secretary for Health Dr. James O. Mason.

About half the center will be used by the Department of Justice to house about 200 prisoners, Mason said.

''This agreement will enable the center to maintain high-quality, cost-effective, long-term care for its declining patient population,'' Mason said. ''We will be able to support our commitment to Hansen's disease patients and to serve as an important health care need of another federal agency.''

The number of patients with Hansen's disease, which is the new name for leprosy, has dropped from 300 to 180 over the past five years, he said. They will continue to live on the 300-acre facility, he said.

''Advances in the diagnosis and treatment of Hansen's disease have resulted in a decrease in the center's patient load,'' Mason said. ''More than half of the facility's capacity would be unused if we were unable to share it with the Bureau of Prisons.''

In contrast, the number of low-security prisoners in need of chronic medical, psychiatric and nursing home care has increased significantly in recent years and is expected to grow even faster in the next five years, officials said.

''The Carville facility will provide much needed additional health care beds and services for the growing federal inmate population,'' said Dr. Kenneth Moritsugu, medical director for the federal prison system.

''This additional capacity will permit us to continue to meet our goal of providing quality health care consistent with community standards for the inmate population,'' he said.

The center, ''a world leader in Hansen's disease research,'' will continue its activities in this field but most of the research, rehabilitation and some clinical and training activities will be moved to a site in Baton Rouge, Mason said.

Leprosy is a bacterial infection that has been known since Biblical times and can cause severe disfiguration.

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HARTFORD, Conn. (NOV. 30) UPI - More than 100 shouting, chanting protesters picketed three of America's largest insurance companies Friday, demanding medical coverage and better benefits for AIDS victims and those at risk.

Carrying signs and blowing whistles, the demonstrators accused the insurance industry of discriminating against homosexuals and others because of their jobs or lifestyles.

Organized by the new Hartford chapter of ACT UP, the AIDS Coalition To Unleash Power, the protesters marched to the headquarters of Aetna Life & Casualty Co. ITT Hartford Insurance Group and The Travelers Corp.

Chanting, ''Pay, pay pay,'' the group claimed insurance companies are refusing to pay for AIDS treatments and denying policies to ''suspect'' applicants, including hairdressers, dancers, artists, waiters and medical personnel.

''A person with AIDS, who may have paid insurance premiums regularly for years or even decades, suddenly finds herself or himself denied coverage for many treatments - even on matters of life or death,'' the group said in a statement.

The march was part of nationwide events planned over the weekend to observe World AIDS Day on Saturday and ACT UP said the protest hoped to focus attention on insurance practices.

Hartford is known as The Insurance City and along with its suburbs also is home to CIGNA Corp., Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Co., Connecticut Mutual, and other insurance giants.

The protest began with a rally outside Aetna, which organizers praised for donating money to support AIDS projects in several cities.

The twilight march from the city's Asylum Hill section to downtown Hartford continued with stops outside the ITT Hartford complex and The Travelers before ending at City Hall to protest the government's handling of the AIDS crisis.

The demonstrators demanded uniform company standards and insurance payments

for all prescribed AIDS treatments, including controversial and experimental drugs and methods.

Most of the protesters' anger, however, was directed at so-called redlining, which they claim results in denial of insurance and care to both homosexuals and heterosexuals, whose lifestyles are suspect to insurance companies.

Those groups also include health care professionals and volunteers who work with AIDS victims, ACT UP said.

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(NOV. 30) UPI - President Bush says he wants to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz some time during the week of December 10th in Washington, D-C. Bush also proposed that Secretary of State Baker meet with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein some time between December 15th and January 15th.

There was NO immediate response to the Bush proposal from Iraq, but the president reported later that he got telephone calls praising the idea from Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Turkey and from the exiled emir of Kuwait.

Reaction to the Bush announced was swift and striking at the New York Mercantile Exchange, where oil prices plunge more than three dollars a barrel. At the same time, prices soared on the New York Stock Exchange.

Treasury Secretary Brady says reform of the nation's deposit insurance program for banks should be considered only as part of a larger overhaul of federal banking laws. He says reform must address what he termed ''the underlying structural problems of our system.''

A national poll released today in Lexington, Massachusetts, reports that one-half of all Americans are so worried about the economy that they believe a replay of the Great Depression is at least somewhat likely. The survey questioned 300 people across the nation between the ages of 18 and 64.

In Washington, the government reported that its index of leading indicators slipped one-point-two percent in October... the fourth consecutive monthly decline in the closely watched indicator of future economic activity.

Cable News Network and rival news organizations are squabbling over the transcrips of tapes C-N-N obtained of jailhouse phone calls from Manuel Noriega to his defense attorneys. C-N-N contends that the material belongs to the cable network, which obtained the tapes.

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ROANOKE, Va. (NOV. 30) UPI - Gov. L. Douglas Wilder refused Friday to appoint special counsel to represent Virginia Military Institute, apparently leaving the state's reluctant attorney general to defend the school's all-male admissions policy from a federal assault.

U.S. District Judge Jackson Kiser said Friday morning Attorney General Mary Sue Terry could withdraw from the sex discrimination case and let attorneys representing the VMI Foundation Inc. and the VMI Alumni Association Inc. take over - as long as Wilder appointed them as special counsel.

A few hours later, Wilder refused, calling the appointment of replacement counsel an ''unwarranted, additional state expense'' and turning back Terry's suggestion that she could not represent the school because Wilder considered the policy discriminatory.

Wilder also reminded Terry he had retained his own independent counsel in March and therefore no conflict existed.

Terry could not be reached for comment, but political analysts suggested Wilder's move was a political embarrassment for the attorney general, who hopes to succeed Wilder in 1993.

Terry had decided to withdraw from representing the school after Wilder announced his belief last week that VMI's 151-year-old admissions policy is discriminatory and should be abandoned.

Because of his public statements, Terry said Tuesday she had a conflict in carrying on with the lawsuit because Wilder is the chief operating officer of the state and represents the state's position.

Last January, the Justice Department responded to a complaint filed by a female Northern Virginia high school student by notifing the state it felt VMI was violating the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the U.S. Constitution. It ordered the school to admit women or face a lawsuit.

Terry and the VMI Foundation, a private fund-raising arm that controls a $100 million endowment, responded by filing suit in February asking the court to declare the school's admissions policy legal.

The Justice Department filed its promised lawsuit in March.

Terry had contended for months that VMI's all-male admissions policy was defensible as an important part of Virginia's educational diversity. She later dropped her suit, saying it simply duplicated the issues in the federal lawsuit.

Wilder remained mute on the issue until earlier this month when Kiser ruled

the governor had to stay on as a defendant in the federal lawsuit. Wilder then broke his silence, saying he opposed the admissions policy, and even threatening to cut funding if VMI did not settle with the Justice Department.

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NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Stocks picked up ground this week, entirely reflecting gains chalked up in a full-blown Friday rally prompted by President Bush's statements on the Persian Gulf crisis.

The Dow Jones industrial average surged 40.84 Friday to end at 2559. 65, rising by 32.42, or 1.28 percent, on the week.

Among broader market indexes, Standard & Poor's 500-stock index and the New York Stock Exchange composite index both gained strongly, rising by 7.12 to 322.22 and by 3.67 to 176.06, respectively, on the week. Secondary markets scored similar impressive increases.

Advances led declines 1,251-651 among the 2,176 NYSE issues traded this week. Weekly Big Board volume totaled 757,693,840 shares, compared with 506,187,611 a week earlier and 802,871,600 shares a year ago.

The Dow industrials rose slightly Monday and Tuesday but fell a bit Wednesday and Thursday, leaving the market little changed. But Friday, which threatened to be another lackluster day, turned into a full-scale, broad-based rally after President Bush held out hope for a diplomatic solution to the Mideast crisis.

Bush, addressing the nation at about midday in the wake of Thursday's passage of a United Nations Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force to get Iraq out of Kuwait if Baghdad does not pull out by Jan. 15, proposed a high-level, face-to-face dialogue with Iraq in an effort to settle the Persian Gulf crisis without war.

Bush said he would ask Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to meet in Baghdad with Secretary of State James Baker and invited Iraq's foreign minister, Tariq Aziz to Washington to talk with him. But the president said he has had no signal the Iraqis would accept his offer.

The proposal, seen as a signal the U.S. still wants to seek a peaceful solution to the crisis, sent oil prices plunging more than $4 a barrel to less than $29, igniting the rally in stocks.

''All of a sudden, it was like everything was coming up roses,'' said Alfred Goldman, market strategist with A.G. Edwards & Sons Inc. in St. Louis. ''But I think that after correcting (going down) for two weeks the market was ready to go up.

''The excuse was the president's comments,'' he said, noting that the market's breadth - the ratio of advancing issues vs. declines ones - was positive and that ''top-quality motherhood stocks did very well and volume was up.''

Goldman said Friday's, and thus the week's, gains were fueled by money managers who stepped in and put their available cash to work.

''Institutions were nervous,'' said Goldman. ''And those who are still holding cash on the sidelines are not going to have an enjoyable weekend. They'll be in there buying Monday.''

Alan Ackerman, senior vice president at Gruntal & Co., saw Bush's comments as more than just an excuse in the market's rally.

''The prospects of war loomed high as the week began, but the chances for peace talks sparked the market higher as the week ended,'' he said. ''And the sharp drop in energy prices fueled the market. That was the real catalyst as the week ended.''

Ackerman said the sharply lower oil prices may prompt the Fed to lean toward lower interest rates when its policy-making arm meets in a few weeks - provided rates stay down.

''But if either Bush or Hussein refuse to blink, and if we see a confrontation oil prices will shoot back up,'' he warned.

On the trading floor this week, Philip Morris was the most active issue, up 1/2 to 48 5/8.

MCA followed, up 5/8 to 66 in a week that saw the entertainment giant reach agreement to be bought by Japan's Matsushita Electric for more than $6 billion. Texas Utilities was third, up 3/4 to 37 1/2.

Among the blue chips, IBM rose 1 to 113 5/8, American Express was ahead 3/4 to 20 1/2 and General Electric gained 1 1/8 to 54 3/4, but General Motors fell 3/4 to 36 1/2. AT&T was unchanged at 32 1/8.

GM said Thursday it will further slash fourth-quarter production schedules because of both the lingering Mideast crisis and a drop in consumer confidence paving the way for a possible quarterly loss. Auto industry analysts said the latest cuts mean the No. 1 U.S. automaker is bracing for a severe drop in U.S. vehicle sales in the near term.

Elsewhere, Motorola plunged 2 1/2 to 50 1/2 after a big loss Friday. Analysts were said to cut 1991 earnings estimates after a meeting with the Illinois-based company's management Thursday.

On the American Stock Exchange, the Amex Market Value index rose 5.79 to close Friday at 301.79. Advances led declines 457-342 among the 1,007 issues traded.

Amex volume totaled 60,448,405 shares, compared with 37,218,035 traded a week earlier and 61,833,995 traded in the same week a year ago.

Energy Service led the Amex actives, unchanged at 2 3/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index added 9.98 to end the week at 359.02.

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DETROIT (NOV. 30) UPI - The Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association said Friday it has petitioned the government's safety agency to amend the proposed federal standard for side impact protection.

In announcing the petition for reconsideration of the proposed amendments to the federal motor vehicle safety standard, Thomas H. Hanna, the trade group's president, said ''our member companies agree with the purpose, intent and substance'' of the proposed standards.

But the association urged the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to amend its rules to include several testing procedures and the use of credits for those automakers who exceed the phase-in schedules of the side impact rules.

Last month, the agency proposed final standards to phase in side impact crash standards for passenger cars over a four-year period beginning Sept. 1, 1993, the kickoff of the 1994-model year. Side impact standards for light trucks are still under review, NHTSA spokesman Tim Hurd said.

The association's petition is ''under review,'' Hurd said, adding NHTSA gives itself 120 days to consider all petitions.

The association is seeking assurances that should a vehicle flunk the crash test, there will be enough information available to make sure the test was conducted properly. The group proposes the crash vehicle and barrier be kept for a period of time for post-crash review.

The association also said variations in test dummy position can significantly affect test dummy responses in all forms of crashes, including side impacts, and urged NHTSA to specify a more precise location for the dummy and tighten the allowable range of calibrations for the test dummy to minimize test-to-test variability.

The association also is urging a provision be included to allow

''carry-forward'' credits for carmakers who comply in advance of the phase-in period. This would allow manufacturers to adjust their production based on market demand and encourage earlier public availability of complying vehicles.

Nearly 32 percent of passenger car deaths result from side impact collisions, the trade association said.

''These fatalities are a major concern to the automobile manufacturers,'' Hanna said.

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(DEC. 1) - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSCTIONS:

BASEBALL

Chicago (AL) - Released utility infielder Tracy Woodson and catcher Jerry Willard from Vancouver of the Pacific Coast League (AAA).

Chicago (NL) - Signed pitcher Paul Assenmacher to a 1-year contract; promoted Dick Balderson to vice president of scouting and player development, Bill Harford to director of minor league operations, Ned Colletti to director, baseball administration, and Sharon Pannozzo to director of media relations.

BASKETBALL

LA Lakers - Placed guard Tony Brown on injured list; activated forward Irving Thomas.

NBA - Fined Detroit's Bill Laimbeer $2,000, Vinny Johnson $750, William Bedford $500, James Edwards $500 and John Salley $500 and Atlanta's Dominique Wilkins $1,000, Kevin Willis $1,000 and Doc Rivers $500 for brawl Nov. 27.

San Jose (CBA) - Placed center Darren Tillis on injured reserve; activated center Jon Taylor.

Sioux Falls (CBA) - Announced forward Michael Young left team to join a club in Italy.

COLLEGE

East Texas State - Named linebacker coach Mark Copeland defensive coordinator.

St. Mary's College (Calif.) - Basketball coach Paul Landreaux announced resignation, effective after season.

FOOTBALL

Denver - Claimed guard Sean Farrell from New England on waivers.

Philadelphia - Claimed kick returner Rod Harris on waivers.

Pittsburgh - Waived wide receiver Lorenzo Davis; activated offensive tackle Tunch Ilkin from injured reserve.

HOCKEY

New Jersey - Recalled goaltender Rollie Melanson and left wing Al Stewart from Utica of AHL.

NY Rangers - Recalled right wing Tie Domi from Binghamton of the American Hockey League.

St. Louis - Assigned center Nelson Emerson to Peoria (Ill.) of the International Hockey League.

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#90334u1901 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (NOV. 30) UPI - Butler Manufacturing Co. said Friday it has made an additional $6 million prepayment on $118.3 million in debt incurred in August 1989 to finance the payment of a $20-a-share special dividend.

The latest optional payment brings total payments to $59.8 million, said Butler Chairman Robert H. West.

Long-term debt as a percent of total capitalization is at 60 percent, down from 78 percent when the special dividend was issued about 18 months ago, the company said.

''We are especially pleased to have paid down over half of this borrowing and improved our balance sheet so materially at a time when we are entering a recessionary economic environment for nonresidential construction,'' West said.

Butler is a supplier of building systems, specialty components, and construction services for the nonresidential construction market.

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#90334u1959 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Law enforcement officials warned five prominent New Yorkers their names were found on a list kept by the man accused of killing radical Zionist Meir Kahane, one of the people on the list said Friday.

Rep. Gary Ackerman, D-N.Y., two federal judges, a former assistant U. S.

attorney, a columnist for the weekly Jewish Press, and a sixth unidentified person were on the list.

Ackerman, whose picture and name were found among the personal belongings of El Sayyd Nosair, said Friday four of the people named were involved in the extradition from Venezuela through Brooklyn of terrorist suspect Abdul Atta, a Moslem clerk linked to a terrorist group.

Ackerman said the name of a sixth person who was not identified but had been involved in the extradition also was on the list.

Neither police nor the FBI would comment on the list.

The list was found during a search of Nosair's home in Cliffside Park, N.J.

Ackerman said he was notified about the list in the days following Kahane's assassination. ''The FBI wanted to know of any connections I might have to Kahane or Nosair,'' the congressman said.

''I certainly wasn't a fan or supporter of Kahane, but I had been outspoken about the hateful and less than helpful things he had to say,'' Ackerman said, adding that he had no contacts ever with Nosair.

FBI officials have said they believe Nosair acted alone when he allegedly gunned down Kahane during a Nov. 5 conference in New York City and were still trying to determine if he was backed by a terrorist group.

New York police Capt. Steve Davis said police are conducting a homicide investigation into Kahane's death and not concentrating on terrorist links.

Ackerman said his picture had been cut from an article in New York Newsday last year concerning the extradition of another Israeli terrorist accused of torturing and killing a kidnapped Marine that was found in Nosair's home.

''The FBI said they hate to use the term 'hit list,' so we don't use it,'' Ackerman said. ''I'm sure the guy kept neither a Christmas nor a Hanukkah list but he had the list for a purpose, I would think.''

New York Newsday Friday quoted law enforcement officials as saying the list strengthens the theory that the killing of the militant, right- wing politician and founder of the militant Jewish Defense League, might be part of a conspiracy against Jewish Americans.

Investigators found the names of Ackerman, U.S. District Court judges Jack B. Weinstein and Edward Korman, former Assistant U.S. Attorney Jacques Simmelman, and Howard Adelman, a columnist in the Jewish Press, scrawled on a bank calendar.

Korman said he had no comment on the report, but the other three were unavailable for comment Friday.

Ackerman said federal law enforcement agencies urged the six people on the list to take added security measures.

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#90334u1967 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (NOV. 30) UPI - Moody's Investors Service said Friday it lowered the senior debt ratings of Fleet/Norstar Financial Group Inc. to ''Baa2'' from ''Baa1'' and the bank holding company's commercial paper rating to ''Prime-3'' from ''Prime-2.''

The downgrades covered about $4.4 billion of debt, according to Moody's.

The short- and long-term ratings of the company's lead bank, Fleet National Bank in Rhode Island, for desposit obligations was also lowered, to ''A3'' from ''A2'' and to ''Prime-2'' from ''Prime-1,'' respectively.

The credit-rating agency noted Fleet/Norstar's ''increasing trend in non-performing assets, albeit at a more moderate rate than its New England peers.''

This trend is likely to lead to ''sustained earnings pressure,'' Moody's said.

Moody's said that it expects additional write-downs to reflect the continued lack of liquidity in the real estate markets and that the effects of a recession in the northeastern region of the country are expected to place stress on the company's Norstar banking subsidiaries in New York.

However, the rating agency also noted several positive factors, such as Fleet/Norstar's ''solid'' capital base and the company's strong non- banking subsidiaries, such as its mortgage banking and consumer finance operations.

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#90334u1978 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 30) UPI - President Bush says he wants to make sure that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein understands that he is completely serious about Iraq getting out of Kuwait. And to that end, Bush is inviting the Iraqi foreign minister to Washington for talks on the crisis. And he called on Saddam to meet with Secretary of State Baker in Baghdad some time between December 15th and January 15th.

There was a swift and favorable reaction to the Bush announcement, even from staunch critics of U-S policy in the Persian Gulf. The only Arab state to openly side with Iraq, Yemen, said through its U-N ambassador that the Bush

invitation to face-to-face talks was ''the best news we have had in a long time.'' Long-time U-S foe Libya even had warm words for the idea.

The reaction to the Bush announcement was striking on Wall Street and at the New York Mercantile Exchange, where oil prices plunged more than three dollars a barrel in the moments after the White House meeting with reporters. On Wall Street, stock prices soared, with the blue-chip Dow Jones industrials average jumping 40 points.

As expected today, President Bush made a double-barrelled announcement at the White House. He named outgoing Florida Governor Bob Martinez to replace William Bennett as director of the nation's anti- drug fight. And Bush picked Bennett to head the Republican National Committee. The Martinez appointment drew almost immediate fire from some members of Congress. A Republican, Martinez lost his bid for re-election last month to Democrat Lawton Chiles. Bennett will replace Lee Atwater as G-O-P chief. Atwater- battling a brain tumor for the past year- is moving to the newly created post of general chairman.

A top British civil servant says the unaccompanied suitcase that contained the bomb that destroyed Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, would have been spotted if British security rules had been observed. Chris Harris told the official inquiry into the disaster that airlines are required by security to match baggage to passengers but that Pan Am had violated the rule for more than a year before the bombing.

The private relief group AmeriCares is making final preparations for the first in a series of airlifts to the Soviet Union. The group plans to deliver up to one-Million pounds of food and medicines to the Soviet Union, beginning with a flight tomorrow. The first flight is aimed at easing critical shortages before Christmas. Several other flights are planned, including one the day after Christmas that will leave from Kennedy International Airport in New York with a quarter-Million pounds of food and medicine.

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#90334u2020 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (NOV. 30) UPI - An oil company executive was appointed Friday as Alaska Commissioner of Natural Resources, responsible for development in the country's largest oil-producing state.

Gov.-elect Walter Hickel appointed Harold Heinze, who said he was still severing his ties with Atlantic Richfield Co., to take charge of resource development in Alaska, where Arco is the largest employer and a major oil producer. ARCO and British Petroleum operate Prudhoe Bay, North America's biggest oil field.

Heinze, a resident of Los Angeles, where ARCO is headquarted, was a vice

president of the company and served as president of ARCO Alaska Inc. from 1983 to 1987 and ARCO Transportation Co. from 1987 until last summer when he left the company under uncertain circumstances.

During his ARCO tenure in Alaska, Heinze was a strong pro-development voice who also campaigned for lower oil taxes.

''There's a possibility that the fox will be in charge of the henhouse,'' said Cliff Eames of the Alaska Center for the Environment. ''He brings a general bias in favor of development rather than protection.''

To that, Heinze said, ''I want to be judged by what I do.''

Although resource development - oil, natural gas, minerals, timber - is the most visible part of the Department Natural Resources, the agency also includes a parks division and has a mix of responsibilities, like the federal Interior Department.

But at a news conference, Heinze spoke only of resource development as being important for the state's economic well-being.

Alaska produces 2 million barrels of crude oil daily, more than one- fourth of nation's domestic supply. Alaska also possesses the last great expanses of wilderness in the country.

Hickel, elected on the Alaskan Independence Party ticket, takes office Monday. Last month he defeated the Democratic and Republican candidates for governor, thanks to pro-development and conservative support. ARCO and BP supported Hickel's Republican opponent, who finished third.

Heinze, 48, who has attacked environmentalists in the past and toyed with the notion of wild projects, such as an ice road over the North Pole to Europe, said he would emphasize the wise use of state lands and that lands should be used for the highest public benefit.

Eames called the appointment ''a disappointment'' and said, ''He doesn't care as much about the stewardship of Alaska lands as making them available for exploitation.''

But Heinze left as president of ARCO Transportation in July under a management shakeup that had some political observers wondering whether he might be less than friendly to his old employer.

Heinze referred to his departure as ''a separation'' that was still unfolding while he divested himself of stock and options that came with the job.

ARCO spokesman Al Greenstein said from Los Angeles that Heinze took early retirement ''to pursue other interests.''

''That's a very personal question,'' Heinze said in response to reporters seeking to learn the circumstances surrounding his departure from ARCO. Heinze revealed only that company officials told him he was not in competition for a promotion to head the company and ''they offered me the opportunity, while I was 48, to move on to something else.''

Heinze, like other company officers, was being groomed and tested for possible promotion, but when the company informed him that he was out of the running, Heinze said he left.

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#90334u2055 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - The following is Money Magazine's Small Investor Index (Dec. 31, 1989 average equals 100):

This week 100.94, up 0.32 or 0.33 percent, compared with 100.62 (revised) the previous week.

The week's change for each asset:

Category	PC Chg. Index	Week Ago	PC Chg. Year Ago
Stocks			
Blue chips	93.32	up 0.44	off 5.20
Small stocks	79.06	up 2.14	off 22.00
Equity funds	91.48	up 0.49	off 7.81
Bonds			
Taxable bonds	106.35	up 0.02	up 6.63
Municipal bonds	107.74	off 0.07	up 7.55
Bond funds	100.05	off 0.08	off 0.12
Cash			
CDs	107.29	up 0.14	up 7.93
Money funds	105.51	up 0.11	up 5.99
Other			
Real estate	101.64	up 0.39	up 1.84
Gold	82.85	up 3.78	off 16.01

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#90334u2133 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 30) UPI - Stock prices soared, oil price plunged and favorable reaction flowed in from around the world to the proposal by President Bush for face-to-face talks with Iraq. Bush says he is inviting Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to the White House some time in the week of December 10th. And he says he is asking Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to meet with Secretary of State Baker in Baghdad some time between December 15th and January 15th.

Bush also revealed at his White House briefing for reporters that Iraqis had delivered some supplies to the American Embassy in Kuwait, which has been cut off since shortly after the Iraqi invasion and occupation. Bush also told reporters today that there will be NO deals with Iraq in the face-to-face talks... that the Iraqis still must abide by U-N Security Council resolutions. Bush says the American objectives remain the same... an unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait... restoration of the Kuwaiti government, and release of all foreign hostages in Kuwait and Iraq.

The Chinese foreign minister made his first official visit to Washington, D-C, today since the crushing of the pro-democracy movement last year. And President Bush glossed over the human rights issue in his meeting with Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, concentrating instead on the common opposition to Iraqi aggression in Kuwait.

A new constitution took effect in Mozambique today, ending 15 years of Marxist rule. The new constitution also lays the groundwork for the first multi-party elections. As the new constitution went into effect, the nation's officials called on right-wing guerrillas to join the political mainstream.

France says its troops in the eastern regional capital of Chad stayed out of fighting in the city, which has been seized by Libyan-backed rebels. Government forces reportedly were driven 60 miles out of the city on the road toward the capital city. A French government spokesman says the French troops are NOT to get involved in the Chadian civil war.

What if you gave a party and everybody attended twice? Jim Stimpfle of Nome, Alaska, is looking for people who want to do exactly that this New Year's Eve... thanks to a pair of Soviet and U-S cities that are 230 miles apart but nearly a full day apart on the clock. Provideniya is on the east coast of the Soviet Union and is the first place on Earth to celebrate New Year's Eve. Nome is the latest place on Earth to celebrate New Year's Eve. Stimpfle says you could fly from Nome on December 30th, arrive in Provideniya the morning of December 31st to celebrate. The next morning, New Year's Day in Provideniya, fly back to Nome, arriving early on New Year's Eve to celebrate all over again.

Police in Canada say they are hunting for a trio of young women who allegedly sexually assaulted a man at gunpoint. Sergeant Paul Deaves says the suspects reportedly offered the 27-year-old victim a ride in the town of Guelph, 50 miles west of Toronto. The man says the women drove him to a secluded area... produced a handgun and ''made certain sexual demands.'' In Canada, the charge of sexual assault covers a broad range of actions from touching someone in a sexual way to intercourse. Police say ''sexual intercourse was never achieved'' or attempted in this case.

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#90334u2206 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 30) UPI - President Bush says he'll ask Saddam Hussein to agree to high level meetings in Baghdad and Washington in an effort to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis peacefully. Earlier today, the Iraqi president rejected the U-N resolution that permits the U-S-led multi- national force to use ''any means'' to oust Iraqi troops from Kuwait if they have NOT withdrawn by January 15th.

American motorists have been shelling out more cash at the gasoline pumps, but there may be some comfort in the price of heating your home. An industry meterologist says the demand for heating oil should be normal this December... unlike last year, when a record freeze sent prices spiraling to all-time highs. The meteorologist for Lehman Brothers in Chicago correctly forecast the December 1989 freeze and the January thaw that followed.

A double-barrel announcement from the White House. President Bush today nominated outgoing Florida Governor Bob Martinez to replace William Bennett as national anti-drug director. Bush also selected Bennett as the new G-O-P national chairman. Some members of Congress critized the selection of Martinez saying the governor has inadequate experience for the job.

Conservation groups are praising a tuna labeling bill signed by President Bush as a sign of growing consumer demand for environmentally safe products. The group Defenders of Wildlife says the bill means- quoting here- ''we will NOT have to play dolphin roulette with tunafish sandwiches.'' The law sets guidelines to assure consumers the tuna they buy in specially marked cans are NOT harmful to the sea mammals that have died by the thousands in tuna nets.

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#90334u2439 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 30) UPI - Oil prices fell more than four-dollars a barrel in wild trading today as the market focused on a possible peaceful settlement in the Persian Gulf crisis. Traders pointed to President Bush's offer to hold high-level talks with Iraq.

The Illinois Supreme Court today threw out a reform plan for Chicago's public schools that has local councils of parents and teachers making most decisions. Chicago Mayor Richard Daley says the spirit of the law will continue.

Hartford, Connecticut, today was the scene of a protest by more than 100 activists demanding better medical coverage for AIDS victims. The protesters chanted ''pay, pay, pay'' while picketing three major insurance companies.

Democratic Representative Gary Ackerman says he and at least four other New Yorkers have been told that they're on a list kept by the man accused of killing radical rabbi Meir Kahane. Police had NO comment on the list.

Burt Lancaster is hospitalized in Los Angeles tonight after undergoing several hours of tests in an emergency room. A spokesman says the 77-year-old actor

was taken to the hospital after complaining of an unspecified illness.

Madonna missed a scheduled court appearance today in Los Angeles. It was NOT clear if reported death threats had anything to do with the pop singer's failure to appear in the dispute over trees and shrubs with a neighbor.

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#90334u2529 11/30/1990 ~United Press International

(NOV. 30) UPI - President Bush says he wants ''peace, NOT war.'' Bush made the declaration today at a news conference in which he also warned that ''time is running out'' for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdrawal his troops from Kuwait. Bush pledged to the national television audience that he'll do his best to bring U-S troops home- in his words- ''without one single shot fired in anger.''

Panama's government is sending conflicting statements on the topic of taped telephone conversations of former military ruler Manuel Noriega . Panamanian President Guillermo Endara says his government has copies of conversations between Noriega and his defense attorneys. But in Washington, Guillermo's vice president denied any knowledge of the tapes. C-N-N first reported the existence of the tapes, recorded at the Miami prison where Noreiga is jailed on drug charges.

The New York Daily News is trying to survive a crippling 37-day strike by scoring a victory in the courtroom. Attorneys for the tabloid appeared in federal court today to ask for a temporary restraining order against a Metropolitan Transportation Authority ban on news hawkers. Most newsstand vendors are refusing to sell the News amid a bitter strike marked by violence.

London Bridge really is falling down. Officials in Lake Havasu City, Arizona, say they're accepting bids to make the first major repairs on the bridge since it was moved from London to the Colorado River community about 20 years ago. An estimated 110-thousand dollars in repairs are needed on the underside of the bridge where cement has fallen off.

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#90335d0550 12/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (DEC. 1) - U.S. President George Bush arrives here for a 24-hour visit Monday that Brazil hopes will help break a stalemate in negotiations on rescheduling its huge foreign debt and lower U.S. limits on technology transfers.

Both issues have caused tension between the two countries, despite greatly improved relations since free-market advocate Fernando Collor de Mello became president in March and imposed wide-ranging economic reforms.

Brazil is the first stop of a five-nation South American tour that will also take Bush to Uruguay, Argentina, Chile and Venezuela for talks expected to focus on foreign debt and U.S. investment in the region.

Brazilian Foreign Minister Franciso Rezek set the stage for Bush's visit by saying Thursday that he hoped "the U.S. Government will show some understanding towards our effort" at meeting obligations on Brazil's 119-billion-dollar foreign debt.

But Bush on Friday dampened those hopes somewhat in telling a group of Latin American journalists that a settlement to Brazil's foreign debt should be consistent with current international debt strategy.

Brazil stopped paying interest on its foreign debt in mid-1989 and private banks -- many of them American -- are demanding that at least a third of the 8.5-billion-dollar arrears owed to them be paid prior to any restructuring of the 51-billion-dollar private segment of the foreign debt.

Brazil says that paying more than 900 million dollars this year would jeopardize its economic reform program and has requested that outstanding interest be included in debt renegotiations, linking repayment schemes to budget surpluses here.

By settling its foreign debt problems with the United States, Brazil hopes to reactivate its request for a two-billion-dollar loan from the International Monetary Fund.

Officials said Collor de Mello would also urge Bush's to ease U.S. restrictions on high technology exports to Brazil.

He will boslter his case by pointing to the treaty signed this week with Argentina banning development of nuclear arms as proof that Washington is wrong to fear that high-tech imports might be used to build such weapons.

Finally, both leaders are likely to exchange strategies for the upcoming, final meeting in Brussels of the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, where both hope to press the Europeans to slash farm subsisides.

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#90335d0660 12/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 1) - A Belgian Red Cross plane is to fly eight tonnes of medicine to Baghdad early Sunday and should return to Belgium the same day with freed Belgian hostages, the Red Cross said late Saturday.

"We hope the Belgian hostages will be on board with the seven Belgian MPs parliamentarians" currently in Iraq trying to arrange their release, a Red

Cross spokesman told Agence France-Presse.

The Iraqi Parliament decided Thursday that all Belgians remaining in Iraq should be released. There are about 30 of them, but some who work for the Church appear unwilling to leave.

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#90335d0670 12/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (DEC. 1) - Stanislaw Tyminski, the emigre millionaire running against Lech Walesa for the Polish presidency, revealed Saturday that he had received backing from former senior officers in the political police.

Tyminski, 42, made the admission at a joint news conference with Walesa shown on television.

When Polish journalists named several colonels in the disbanded police force as sitting on his electoral committees, Tyminski said: "Tens of thousands of people support me, I'm not interested in their past."

In last Sunday's first round of presidential elections, Tyminski received an unexpectedly high 23 per cent of the vote, to Prime Minister's Tadeusz Mazowiecki's 18 percent. Walesa, head of the Solidarity trade union, came in first with 40 percent.

The two face a run-off on Dec. 9.

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#90335d0690 12/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 1) - Nelson Mandela's African National Congress (ANC) is in possession of a video which shows police actively collaborating with Zulus in attacking black civilians, the Johannesburg Sunday Times said.

The newspaper reproduced stills from the video, shot last Monday, which showed a man with a red bandana leaping from a police armoured vehicle and joining a group of heavily armed men.

The war party then went toward the Zonkezizwe squatter camp, east of Johannesburg, where fighting has claimed 71 lives in the past three weeks.

The ANC has used the video, shot by an unnamed cameraman, to support its claims that elements of the police have actively assisted members of Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom Party in violence which has swept black townships here since August.

Over 800 people have died in the violence, which pits Inkatha members, identified by red headbands, against ANC supporters.

The ANC has repeatedly claimed police fuel the violence. Mandela has warned the issue is jeopardising talks aimed at removing obstacles to constitutional negotiations.

A spokesman for Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok confirmed that Mandela contacted Vlok on Monday to tell him of the video. He was, however, not immediately able to give a police version of the incident.

Calling on the ANC to hand over the video so the matter could be investigated, Brig. Mellett added: "We maintain that it is official police policy not to choose sides in any unrest or violent situation."

Inkatha did not immediately comment.

The video begins by showing a group of about 250 armed men and women, most of them wearing red headbands, fashioning crude but deadly weapons out of pieces of iron, the report said.

While working they are singing Zulu songs like: "Mandela, get off the road! Usuthu Buthelezi is coming", and "Gatsha Buthelezi is ours! The country is ours!"

The police vehicle comes into view and stops near the group. The rear hatch opens and three men emerge.

One, with a distinctive red headband and a long sharp stick, dances toward the impi (war party). Soon afterwards he is seen leading the impi in the direction of the squatter camp. He is still carrying his stick and is closely followed by the group brandishing their weapons, axes and hammers.

On Thursday, Vlok imposed a 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. curfew on Zonkezizwe, which has a population of more than 80,000. Vlok said the measure was aimed at hooligans and criminals who preyed on law-abiding citizens.

-30- 2762

#90335d8480 12/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (DEC. 1) - Mozambican government representatives and RENAMO rebels negotiating here reached agreement here Saturday about the "presence and role of Zimbabwean military forces" in their country, both sides said.

Details of the accord about the Zimbabwean troops were not immediately forthcoming, but the two sides said in a statement that it concerned their status "during the period leading up to a ceasefire proclamation".

Zimbabwean troops are stationed in Mozambique, notably along key rail routes from the coast, to back the Mozambican military against attack by the rebels

of the Mozambique National Resistance (RENAMO).

Saturday's agreement was the first to be announced in the course of talks taking place here, on and off, in the presence of Italian government representatives since July.

The talks have been sponsored by the Sant'Egidio Roman Catholic community.

-30- 1088

#90335d8500 12/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (DEC. 1) - Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda charged Saturday that the opposition Movement for Multi-party Democracy (MMD) had asked Angolan rebel leader Jonas Savimbi to attack Zambia from the west if the ruling United National Independence Party (UNIP) wins next year's elections.

The opposition grouping was also trying to foment a coup d'etat by Zambia's military, he added.

Kaunda, speaking at a UNIP rally in the Copperbelt town of Kitwe, said he had asked Angolan President Eduardo dos Santos for permission to meet Savimbi in a bid to dissuade him from giving the MMD the requested help.

"I hope my brother president Santos will see sense and permit me to meet Savimbi so that I stop him from succumbing to this evil plan," he said.

The MMD has approached him to attack us from the western part of the country."

The president said the opposition movement had bribed several army officers to organize a coup and kill him if the movement failed to win next year's multi-party elections.

He said former army lieutenant Mwamba Luchembe, who seized a radio station in June and announced that the army had taken power, "has been sent to the barracks to organise another coup," adding that "money from the MMD is pouring into the army, bribing and corrupting our soldiers to conduct another coup."

"They have even said they will kill me, but I am not afraid even if they did because those who rise by the sword die by the sword," he said, alluding to the death of president Samuel Doe in Liberia's civil war.

The MMD, formed last July, is the main opposition group planning to challenge Kaunda's UNIP in the elections.

Reacting to heavy pressure and popularity of the MMD, Kaunda called in September for a change in the constitution to allow the re-introduction of plural politics abandoned 17 years ago.

-30- 2058
#90335d8510 12/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (DEC. 1) - Tens of thousands of Iraqis Saturday demonstrated here against the United States and the United Nations Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force to oust Iraq from Kuwait after Jan. 15.

The marches were organized to mark Martyr Day, referring to the dead during the Iraq-Iraq war (1980-88).

The demonstrators shouted slogans such as ''death to U.S. President George Bush'', ''down with the U.S.'' and the ''U.N. ultimatum is unjust''.

Radio Baghdad said, ''Angry popular demonstrations were staged in Baghdad and all provinces Saturday to condemn the aggressive and unjust Security Council resolution''.

-30- 839
#90335d8550 12/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DAMASCUS (DEC. 1) - Forty-one employees of public sector retail sales and food supply companies have been fired after being charged with corruption and bad conduct, the official SANA news agency reported Saturday.

More than 1,000 employees have already been laid off and brought before courts since the Syrian government launched a cleanup campaign for the economy in February 1988.

-30- 566
#90335d8620 12/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (DEC. 1) - Berlin voters on Sunday will choose their city's first single council in 44 years, in what promises to be the most exciting race on Germany's election day.

The prize: control over the country's showcase and the prestige of running its unified capital, if not yet its seat of government.

But whoever takes over the reins in this city of four million may find they have grasped a bouquet of thorns instead.

After the scenes of joy that accompanied the Oct. 3 unification of Germany, Berlin has been prey to a railway strike, rising social tension and a pitched battle between police and leftwing squatters.

The violence proved to be the final straw for the city's governing coalition, as the Greens quit in protest at what they considered the use of excessive force by the Social Democrats.

Voters will be called to vote for a single council and also select members to the Bundestag, the federal parliament.

The welding of East and West Berlin will also end the city's neutered status in the power structure. It will constitute a single Land, or regional state, that will have equal powers with the 16 other Laender in the federal structure.

In many respects, the problems of Berlin are a microcosm of the problems and tensions facing Germany after it finally overcame its postwar division.

It has extremes of poverty and wealth and hopes and frustrations within a few square kilometers (miles). East Berliners are facing massive unemployment, which could soar from 40,000 to 300,000 in the next six months, as well as rising rents and energy bills.

West Berliners, meanwhile, are showing increasing signs of irritation at the inconvenient aspects of life after the opening of the Wall: rising crime, traffic jams and the bill for supporting the East.

Many fret about tax increases, as the government is to start slimming the fat subsidies that allowed West Berlin to survive in a hostile sea of Communism.

Opinion polls say Sunday's race could go to anyone. Neither the Social Democratic Party (SPD) nor the Christian Democratic Union (CDU) will get an absolute majority, they say.

That means the battle will be decided by any of the three minor groups: the Free Democratic Party (FDP), which is already in coalition with the CDU in Bonn, the Greens, or the far-right Republican Party, which triggered shockwaves in the city's last election, in June 1989, by picking up 7.5 percent of the vote.

But another factor could be the once-ruling Communist Party of East Germany, which considers East Berlin its stronghold. Reformed and rebaptised the Party of Democratic Socialism (PDS), the party picked up 30 percent in the May municipal elections in the eastern sector.

The election campaign has been fought with a bitterness rarely seen elsewhere in Germany.

The SPD, which controls the police and justice ministry, has made repeated attacks on the Communists, accusing them of carrying out sham reforms of their party that have masked widespread financial scandals.

The CDU, meanwhile, has slammed the former city government as being responsible for "Red-Green chaos" that threatens the public safety.

But such is the animosity between the SPD and the Greens and the Communists that a grand alliance of Christian Democrats and Social Democrats is not to be ruled out, observers say.

-30- 3590

#90335d8640 12/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 1) - After a political crisis that lasted over two weeks and saw the downfall of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, the people of Britain are impatient to see real changes under her successor, John Major.

Major enjoys only a narrow margin of maneuver in his double mission of reuniting his divided party and pulling his country out of recession before general elections that must be held by July 1992.

The new prime minister, at 47 the youngest that Britain has had this century, is well aware that the main battleground will be the economy and his management of social problems.

To repair the political damage wrought by the introduction last year of an unpopular new local tax, the poll tax, he appointed his main adversary in the election for the Conservative Party leadership, Michael Heseltine, as environment secretary in charge of determining whether the tax should be scrapped.

Heseltine had openly criticized the tax.

Major's government is expected to carry out an in-depth revision of the hated tax, which is levied on persons instead of property, without abolishing it altogether. But the government has not yet made its intentions known.

The new prime minister has also promised reforms in the fields of health and education, at a time when one million people are awaiting operations in hospitals and there is a serious shortage of teachers in the schools.

But his main challenge will be the anti-inflation fight he had already started to tackle as chancellor of the exchequer. Major is attempting to bring the current 10.9 percent rate down under the European average of 6.3 percent.

This is seen as the key to a Conservative election victory, with millions of Britons who bought their council houses in the 1980s now struggling to pay off 14.5 percent mortgages.

Major's aim is to pare inflation to 5.5 percent by the end of next year but, as he remarked in front of his 10 Downing Street residence and office: "I can't promise you that this will be quick or easy."

While Major also attempted to reassure Britain's allies in the European

Economic Community of his country's desire to play a leading role rather than criticizing from the sidelines, he made clear once again his opposition to a federal Europe and a single EEC currency.

One thing seems clear: Major was no longer prepared to go along with the autocratic style of Thatcher, as he set himself up as a man of dialogue who would consult his cabinet fully before making decisions.

Thatcher paid dearly for having appeared to impose her views against those of her ministers. In a resignation speech, the deputy prime minister, Sir Geoffrey Howe opened the way for Heseltine's challenge and Thatcher's subsequent resignation under pressure when she failed to win enough votes to retain her leadership in the first round of voting.

The opposition Labour Party, which had seen Thatcher's growing unpopularity as one of its major trumps, has become disillusioned with the election of Major to take over from her.

Labour's new slogan, "Major is Thatcherism without Thatcher", has not convinced an electorate which, according to opinion polls, is planning on handing the Tories another victory in the next elections.

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#90335d8680 12/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LENINGRAD, SOVIET UNION (DEC. 1) - For the first time since 1947, this former Czarist capital returns to ration coupons Saturday in an attempt fairly to distribute ever-scarcer foods.

The measure, coming at a time of growing shortages around the country, has been popular here: residents expect it will provide them with a minimum of food, something they have often been unable to secure.

"I hope I won't have to spend so long shopping," said a mother of two waiting one recent morning in front of a butcher shop. "I just hope there will be enough food to cover the coupons."

The ration books are good, added another shopper. "For the last few months, it's been impossible to buy anything without standing in endless queues."

Since last Wednesday, documented Leningrad residents have received a booklet with coupons for the seven essential goods a person is entitled to each month: 1.5 kilogram (three and a half pounds) of fresh meat, one kilogram (2.2 pounds) of processed meat, a pound of butter, and small amounts of oil, wheat, pasta and cereal. ' For a woman named Masha, the coupons brought back memories of the siege of this city by German forces between 1941 and 1943, in which a million people had starved to death by the time she turned 15.

"This is a far cry from the German blockade," she said. "The people can take a lot more."

A man named Stanislaw disagreed. "People are scared because they remember the blockade," he said. "Even the young people are scared, because they've heard a lot about it."

The ration books are particularly popular with those on low, fixed incomes who have found the state stores increasingly bare as perestroika -- reconstruction -- has led to the breakup of traditional distribution channels.

-30- 1971

#90335d8960 12/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 1) - Seven Iraqis charged with armed robbery in Kuwait have been hanged in the emirate in the presence of several of their victims, a government newspaper reported here Saturday.

Al-Joumhouriyah said the seven had been part of a 10-man gang arrested by Iraqi police last week for having stolen vehicles, gold bars and money, and for having falsified documents.

They were executed Friday, according to the paper.

The thieves had disguised themselves as soldiers or policemen and carried firearms, the daily said.

There have been repeated reports of looting by Iraqis ever since Iraqi forces invaded and occupied Kuwait on Aug. 2.

-30- 833

#90335d9030 12/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 1) - President Francois Mitterrand and U.S. President George Bush discussed Washington's offer to Iraq to hold talks on the Gulf crisis in a telephone conversation Saturday, the French presidential spokesman said.

Earlier in the day Iraq accepted the offer, which involves Iraqi foreign minister Tareq Aziz travelling to Washington and U.S. Secretary of State James Baker going to Baghdad.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said on return from New York, after the United Nations Security Council voted to authorize the future use of force against Iraq, that France and the other four permanent members of the Council would be contacting Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in an attempt to make him understand the international community's "message of firmness" on the crisis.

The other four permament members of the Security Council are the United States

the Soviet Union, Britain and China.

-30- 1115

#90335d9180 12/01/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (DEC. 1) - Hungarian Foreign Minister Geza Jeszenszky is to arrive here Sunday for a four-day official visit, Radio Thailand said Saturday.

The official radio said Jeszenszky would hold talks with his Thai counterpart, Subin Pinkayan, on strengthening bilateral political, cultural and economic relations.

"They will also exchange views on issues of mutual interest such as investment protection and official and diplomatic visas," the radio said.

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#90335p0110 12/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (DEC. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Thrifty Car Rental is offering most Florida-bound renters extra savings through a new promotion that calls for almost any car in the state to be rented for $25.95 a day, regardless of size. The offer is good for rentals at all top leisure destinations in the state.

The promotional rate is valid on weekday or weekend rentals beginning Dec. 2 through Feb. 7, 1991, excluding rentals Dec. 20 - 31. Even lower rates are available on compact and subcompact cars.

No advance reservation is required, although cars are subject to availability. All rates include unlimited mileage as long as travel is limited to within the state.

To take advantage of the promotion, renters or travel agents need to ask for Rate Plan No. 935.

CONTACT: Meloyde Blancett-Scott of Thrifty Car Rental, 918-665-3930, Week-end number, 918-481-1782

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#90335p0113 12/01/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (DEC. 1) PR NEWSWIRE - Supplementing its announcement of Nov. 29, 1990, Great American Bank, a Federal Savings Bank (NYSE: GTA), today completed phase one of its sale to Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (NYSE: WFC), of Great American's California retail branch network and certain other assets. Included in phase one were 92 branches in San Diego, Orange and Riverside Counties, totalling approximately $4.5 billion, Great American's Operations Center in National City, Calif., and approximately $2.1 billion of income property, construction, business and consumer loans.

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#90335t2828 12/01/1990 ~ts

TOKYO (DEC. 1) TASS - ROH TAE WOO'S VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION THIS MONTH WILL USHER IN A NEW ERA IN RELATIONS BETWEEN SOUTH KOREA AND THE SOVIET UNION, ROH SAID TODAY.

THIS WILL BE A HISTORIC TURNING POINT THAT WILL OPEN THE DOORS FOR KOREAN UNIFICATION, HE SAID.

ROH MADE THIS STATEMENT DURING HIS MEETING WITH DEMOCRATIC LIBERAL PARTY CHAIRMAN KIM YOUNG SAM, THE YONHAP NEWS AGENCY REPORTS.

ROH, WHO IS THE PARTY LEADER, SAID HIS VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION WILL SERVE TO PROMOTE RELATIONS BETWEEN SOUTH KOREAN AND CHINA.

SOUTH KOREA AND THE SOVIET UNION ESTABLISHED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS ON SEPTEMBER 30.

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#90335u0004 12/01/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 1) UPI - Dick Gregory says any Americans who die in the Persian Gulf will likely be from low-income families. The comedian and political activist vows to continue a hunger strike he began on Thanksgiving until all U-S troops return from the gulf.

President Bush talked with his military advisers at Camp David, one day after offering to talk with Iraq about the Persian Gulf crisis. Baghdad agreed to Bush's call, but wants to include Arab-Israeli issues in the discussion.

Many of museums across the United States today took part in a national observance called ''A Day Without Art.'' The observance came on a day of mourning for victims of the AIDS epidemic.

A jury will resume deliberations tommorow in the trial of two youths charged in the gang rape and beating of a jogger in New York's Central Park. The panel today asked to review the videotaped confession of one of the youths charged.

German officials say an arrest warrant is out for former East German leader Erich Honecker. Honecker is charged with homicide for giving the order to shoot anyone trying to flee East Germany before the Berlin Wall was torn down.

Opposition leaders in Bangladesh say 11 people were killed and 100 others

injured as protesters and security forces clashed during a nationwide strike. Shops and businesses closed to protest the arrest of opposition leaders and the imposition of emergency rule.

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#90335u0074 12/01/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 1) - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
PATRICK DIVISION						
NY Rangers	16	8	5	37	111	78
Philadelphia	17	10	2	36	107	87
New Jersey	13	10	3	29	99	88
Washington	14	14	0	28	95	91
Pittsburgh	11	12	2	24	103	99
NY Islanders	9	14	2	20	70	94
ADAMS DIVISION						
Boston	14	7	4	32	80	73
Montreal	13	11	3	29	82	82
Hartford	10	11	4	24	72	80
Buffalo	9	9	6	24	75	74
Quebec	4	18	5	13	71	122

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NORRIS DIVISION						
Chicago	17	8	2	36	90	65
St. Louis	15	7	3	33	88	69
Detroit	12	10	3	27	93	94
Minnesota	6	15	6	18	71	94
Toronto	5	22	1	11	75	130
SMYTHE DIVISION						
Los Angeles	16	6	3	35	107	78
Calgary	14	9	3	31	109	83
Vancouver	12	12	2	26	78	86
Winnipeg	9	16	3	21	93	99
Edmonton	7	14	2	16	67	71

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#90335u0086 12/01/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 1) - NBA STANDINGS:

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	12	2	.857	-
Philadelphia	10	6	.625	3
New York	6	8	.429	6
Miami	5	9	.357	7
New Jersey	5	10	.333	7 1/2
Washington	4	10	.286	8

CENTRAL DIVISION

Detroit	13	2	.867	-
Milwaukee	11	4	.733	2
Chicago	9	6	.600	4
Cleveland	9	7	.563	4 1/2
Charlotte	8	7	.533	5
Indiana	5	10	.333	8
Atlanta	4	10	.286	8 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	8	4	.667	-
Utah	8	6	.572	1
Houston	8	7	.533	2
Dallas	6	6	.500	2 1/2
Minnesota	5	10	.333	4 1/2
Denver	3	11	.214	6
Orlando	3	12	.200	6 1/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	12	1	.923	-
Phoenix	8	4	.667	3 1/2
Golden State	10	6	.625	3 1/2
LA Lakers	7	5	.583	4 1/2
LA Clippers	6	8	.429	6 1/2
Seattle	4	7	.364	7
Sacramento	1	12	.077	11

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#90335u0091 12/01/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 1) UPI - A spokesman at the Iraqi Embassy in Washington says officials in Baghdad are considering President Bush's offer to hold face-to-face talks on the crisis in the Persian Gulf. The spokesman says Iraqi officials may have an answer for Bush by Saturday. Bush Friday proposed talks as a final way to avoid war.

President Bush is NOT dwelling on the issue of human rights in regards to his

administration's relations with China. Bush says he wants to- in his words- ''emphasize the positive'' in U-S dealings with Beijing. China's foreign minister arrived for an official visit Friday in Washington.

NASA is NOT the only agency hoping to get a ship into orbit this weekend. The Tokyo Broadcasting System is paying the Soviet space agency to launch a Soyuz rocket carrying a Japanese broadcaster into space Sunday. At Cape Canaveral, the shuttle Colombia is scheduled to blastoff on an astronomy trip the same day.

Israel is NOT interested in expanding the role of the United Nations in resolving the conflict in the occupied territories. Israel's U-N ambassador rejected the recent proposals... telling the world body Friday- quote- ''Those who did nothing to assist us in times of peril have no moral claim on us.''

President Bush says outgoing Florida Governor Bob Martinez is ''superbly qualified'' to be the nation's next anti-drug director. But the chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, which will hold confirmation hearings, has doubts. Delaware Democrat Joseph Biden says Bush's nominee- quote- ''lacks the background and record'' for the task.

Shops and businesses are closed in the Bangladesh capital of Dhaka , where a general strike is being observed. Opposition leaders called for the shutdown to protest the arrest of two colleagues and the killing of an assistant college professor that opposition leaders claim the government was behind.

-30- 2051

#90335u0127 12/01/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 1) UPI - The Philadelphia Flyers, who missed the NHL playoffs last season for the first time in 18 years, apparently did not enjoy the experience.

Philadelphia extended its unbeaten streak to six games Friday night with a 5-1 victory over the New York Rangers and posted their 17th victory of the season, tied with Chicago for most in the league.

The triumph improved the Flyers' record in November to 11-4-2, the best in the league, and moved them within one point (37-36) of the first-place Rangers in the Patrick Division.

''I don't know if we (sent them a message),'' Philadelphia Coach Paul Holmgren said. ''They're still a good team. The goals just went in for us tonight.''

Rich Tocchet scored twice, giving him 20 for the season, and goaltender Pete Peeters stopped 34 shots as the Flyers improved to 5-0-1 in their last six outings.

Philadelphia got off to a quick start against the Rangers, outshooting them

18-8 in the first period and taking a 1-0 lead on a goal by Murray Craven.

Tocchet gave the Flyers a 2-0 lead in the second period but Troy Mallette brought the Rangers within 2-1 with 40 seconds left in the second period.

Philadelphia did not let that goal disrupt its momentum and scored three times in the final period for the victory, even though New York had a 19-8 advantage in shots.

''Peeters was really outstanding and he broke our backs,'' New York Coach Roger Neilson said. ''Our best period was the third and we lost it 3-0.''

Tocchet, who is second in the league in goals scored, said the victory was a convincing one.

''I think we outplayed them, no question,'' he said. ''We outskated them, we outscored them and we had better goaltending. If not for (Rangers goalie John) Vanbiesbrouck, we would have had more goals.''

Vanbiesbrouck made a number of difficult saves but finally succumbed to the Flyers' onslaught.

''They've always had a tough work ethic,'' Vanbiesbrouck said. ''It's always tough to win in the Spectrum. Every team in the league knows it. What can you say? You come in and try to work hard and you get outworked. It's as simple as that.''

-- AROUND THE NHL --

In other games Friday night, New Jersey tied the New York Islanders 5-5, Montreal defeated Washington 4-3 and Minnesota topped Winnipeg 4-2.

Devils 5, Islanders 5

At East Rutherford, N.J., Doug Brown scored a short-handed goal with just 2:50 remaining in the third period to give New Jersey a tie. The Devils came back from a pair of two-goal deficits to move into third place, one point ahead of Washington, in the Patrick Division.

Canadiens 4, Capitals 3

At Landover, Md., rookie Andrew Cassels scored with 5:33 left to break a 3-3 for Montreal. Cassel's goal spoiled the return of Washington goalie Don Beaupre, who missed 12 games with a groin injury. The Canadiens moved within three points of first-place Boston in the Adams Division.

North Stars 4, Jets 2

At Winnipeg, defenseman Mark Tinordi set up second-period goals by Doug Smail and Ilkka Sinisalo, the 200th of his career, to lead Minnesota. Smail was playing his first game in Winnipeg since being traded to Minnesota for Don Barber on Nov. 7.

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#90335u0128 12/01/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 1) - SATURDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR:

BASKETBALL

Charlotte at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Orlando at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Dallas at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
LA Clippers at Denver, 9:30 p.m.
LA Lakers at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Portland at Seattle, 10 p.m.

BOXING

WBA Welterweight Title
Sacramento, Calif. - Loreto Garza vs. Vinny Pazienza

GOLF

Princeville, Hawaii - Seniors Challenge
Sydney, Australia - $456,000 Australian Open
Tarpon Springs, Fla. - $1 million JCPenney Classic

HOCKEY

Chicago at Detroit, 1:05 p.m.
NY Rangers at Boston, 7:05 p.m.
Washington at NY Islanders, 7:35 p.m.
Edmonton at Hartford, 7:35 p.m.
Buffalo at Quebec, 7:35 p.m.
Calgary at Montreal, 8:05 p.m.
New Jersey at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.
Toronto at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

SWIMMING

Indianapolis - U.S. Open meet

TENNIS

St. Petersburg, Fla. - Davis Cup final

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#90335u0172 12/01/1990 ~United Press International

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (DEC. 1) UPI - The knockout power of Andre Agassi and the counter-punching of Michael Chang combined Friday night to leave a battered Australian Davis Cup team looking to 1939 for inspiration.

The United States grabbed a 2-0 lead over Australia in the best-of- five Davis Cup final, moving the United States within one victory of its first title since 1982.

After Agassi rallied to beat Davis Cup rookie Richard Fromberg in five exhilirating sets, Chang methodically downed serve-and-volley specialist Darren Cahill 6-2, 7-6 (7-4), 6-0.

Agassi, weakened by a flu bug that sapped his strength and appetite, broke Fromberg's huge serve three times in the fifth set to barely avoid a major upset with a 4-6, 6-2, 4-6, 6-2, 6-4 triumph. The United States can clinch Saturday if the doubles team of Jim Pugh and Rick Leach beats Australia's Pat Cash and John Fitzgerald.

The competition concludes Sunday with a pair of reverse singles matches as Chang meets Fromberg and Agassi faces Cahill. Those matches may be shortened to best-of-three sets if the American doubles team wins its best-of-five competition.

''It would be nice to close this out in three, otherwise I'm gonna lose another night's sleep,'' said Chang, whose 79 percent first-serve rate helped keep Cahill off the net. ''It's gonna be a tough match for us tomorrow against Cash and Fitzgerald.''

The last successful comeback from an 0-2 deficit in a Davis Cup final was staged by the 1939 Australian team against the United States.

Chang, whose rally from an 0-2 deficit against Austria's Horst Skoff two months ago lifted the Americans into the finals, frustrated Cahill with a dazzling array of passing shots. Cahill was successful on just 31 of 65 approaches to the net while Chang came in 22 times and won 12 points at the net.

After breezing through the opening set, Chang trailed 5-6 and faced set point

before forcing a tie-breaker. Two backhand passing shots down the line past a flat-footed Cahill put Chang up two sets before a crowd of 17,994 at the new Florida Suncoast Dome.

Cahill appeared dispirited in the third set as Chang became the aggressor and even took the net away instead of patrolling from his usual spot along the baseline. Chang ended the match with a crosscourt, two-handed backhand winner.

In the opening match, an undernourished Agassi stayed hungry to atone for a dismal career record in five-setters.

''I knew there was something wrong with my system and maybe I should have told (U.S. coach) Tom Gorman to use someone else,'' Agassi said. ''To pull out a match like that, in such an intense environment, is something I'm pretty proud of. I don't think there's enough time to say how important the Davis Cup is and getting the championship back here.''

The first Davis Cup final between the United States and Australia since 1973 nearly opened on a discouraging note for the Americans as Fromberg, ranked 32nd in the ATP computer, made his Cup debut by winning two of the first three sets against the No. 4 player in the world. Agassi, who went three days without solid food earlier this week, then relied on some of the most powerful groundstrokes in tennis and capitalized on Fromberg's erratic first serve.

''I thought Andre played the best he could play and I was quite pleased with the way I played,'' Fromberg said. ''I think he started to play more aggressively in the final two sets, going after my second serve.''

The United States leads all nations with 28 Davis Cup titles while Australia is second with 26. The Americans have won 23 of 41 previous matchups against the Aussies, who can win their third world title in eight years.

''I thought the opener was a fantastic match,'' said Australia captain Neale Fraser. ''Frommy did us proud. We've got a job in front of us now. We'll just worry about the doubles and take it from there.''

In the opener, a subdued crowd watched two baseliners slug it out on a slow red clay surface that prompted vigorous protests last month from the Australian contingent. Fraser argued the red clay violated Davis Cup regulations that stipulate a surface ''in general use'' in the host country.

Displaying few of the court antics that endeared him to fans while annoying tennis traditionalists, Agassi broke Fromberg in the first, fifth and seventh games to go up 5-2 in the decisive set. Fromberg rattled off eight consecutive points to pull within 5-4, but Agassi clinched the 3-hour, 36-minute match with a forehand winner down the line.

Agassi, 2-5 in five-set matches for his career, forced a fifth set by breaking

his 6-foot-3 opponent in the first and seventh games of the fourth set. After going ahead 4-2, Agassi hit a running forehand and a two-fisted backhander for winners to break Fromberg before serving out the set.

Fromberg registered 15 aces to two for Agassi, but his first-serve success was just 49 percent overall and he lost nine of 13 points on his second serve in the final set.

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(DEC. 1) UPI - Oil prices plunged more than four dollars a barrel Friday after President Bush offered to send Secretary of State James Baker on a peace mission to Iraq. A rally followed on Wall Street. The Dow Jones industrial average gained 41 points.

Author and editor Norman Cousins is dead at age 75. Cousins suffered a heart attack Friday in a Los Angeles hotel and he died in a hospital. Cousins wrote 25 books and edited the Saturday Review for 35 years.

Actor Burt Lancaster has been hospitalized in Los Alamitos, California, after a fainting spell. He is reported in serious condition. Lancaster is 77. He starred in ''From Here to Eternity'' and won the best-acting Oscar for ''Elmer Gentry.''

Kenya and South Africa have agreed to establish airline service between their nations beginning next week. South African Foreign Minister R.F. Botha visited Kenya Friday for the highest-level contacts between the two nations in 27 years.

The third annual World AIDS day is observed Saturday. New York skyscrapers will dim their lights Saturday night in memory of AIDS victims. Children from New York day care centers will hold a memorial service.

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PANMUNJOM, KOREA (DEC. 1) UPI - South and North Korean officials held another meeting Saturday but failed to prepare a draft accord to be adopted at the coming round of inter-Korea prime ministers talks scheduled for next month.

Three officials from each side met at the truce village of Panmunjom 35 miles north of Seoul but could not narrow their differences.

The meeting was the latest in a series of contacts designed to draft an agreement to be signed by the two prime ministers - Kang Young-hoon for the South and Yon Hyong-muk for the North - when they meet in Seoul Dec. 11-14.

The South renewed its proposal that the two sides adopt a basic agreement for improvement of relations, Once it is signed, two separate committees may be formed to discuss exchanges and a non-aggression declaration, the South said.

The North did not agree and persisted in its demand that a nonaggression declaration be signed first, though there may be parallel discussions on exchanges and cooperation.

Following the contact, chief Seoul delegate Lee Byung-ryong told reporters that basic differences prevented a constructive result.

''They raised irrelevant issues for political propaganda, which made us doubt their sincerity,'' Lee said.

Paek Nam-jun, the North Korean delegation chief, said at a news conference the basic agreement as proposed by the South was not even an agenda item of the prime minister talks. He said the stalemate could affect the next meeting between Kang and Yon.

The unprecedented inter-Korea prime ministers talks opened in Seoul in September. A second round was held in the North Korean capital of Pyongyang in October.

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(DEC. 1) UPI - Detroit coach Chuck Daly has seen his Pistons win two NBA titles, but he says the team continues to provide him with surprises.

The Pistons stunned the eighth-year Detroit coach Friday night by stretching their winning streak to 10 games with a come-from-behind 96- 94 victory over the Philadelphia 76ers.

''They still surprise me,'' Daly said after Detroit rallied from an 18-point deficit. ''To have a streak like this and still be competitive.

''Tonight, all we could do was hope. Obviously, we were very fortunate to win.''

Detroit, 13-2, has not lost since Nov. 9 against Portland and is off to its best start in club history.

Center Bill Laimbeer, who earlier in the day was fined $2,000 by the NBA for an altercation Tuesday with Atlanta's Dominique Wilkins, sank one of two free throws with 22 seconds remaining to give Detroit the triumph. Vinnie Johnson added a free throw with a second left to seal the win.

Philadelphia, 10-6, played the decisive fourth quarter without Charles Barkley

who was ejected for elbowing Dennis Rodman in the face. Barkley had helped the 76ers build an 18-point lead as late as the third quarter.

''It seemed like the air was sort of let out when Charles was tossed out,'' said Hersey Hawkins, who had 20 points. ''But we still had a chance to win the game. It was just a case of us missing the shots.''

Joe Dumars helped the Pistons by scoring 12 of his 24 points in the fourth quarter. James Edwards also added 18 points for Detroit.

The teams traded baskets at the beginning of the fourth quarter before Detroit tied the game, 77-77, on a goaltending call against Hawkins with 7:48 to go.

On the 76ers ensuing possession, Barkley was ejected with 7:32 left when he elbowed Rodman, who followed with two free throws.

''He did a good job of creating the call,'' Barkley said. ''Go look at the tape and get a laugh.''

Philadelphia and Detroit traded the lead 10 times before Laimbeer made the free throw. Following Hawkins' miss with 2 seconds remaining, Detroit's Vinnie Johnson added a free throw with 1 second to play to seal the win.

''Barkley should not have been thrown out of the game,'' said Philadelphia guard Rickey Green. ''If Charles had been in the game, it would have been a different story.''

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Elsewhere: Boston blasted Washington 123-95, Cleveland downed Atlanta 101-93, Chicago tripped Indiana 124-95, Golden State clipped Orlando 119-113, Milwaukee bested New York 103-97, and Utah ripped Minnesota 96- 79.

Boston 123, Washington 95

At Boston, Larry Bird tallied 21 points to become the fifth player in NBA history to reach the 20,000-point plateau and help the Celtics win their eighth straight. Bird also became the fifth player in league history to have 20,000 points and 5,000 assists. Bird, who also grabbed 14 rebounds, joins Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, John Havlicek, Oscar Robertson, and Jerry West as the only players to achieve the milestones.

Cleveland 101, Atlanta 93

At Atlanta, Brad Daughtery poured in 30 points and Larry Nance contributed 22 to power the Cavaliers. The setback was the ninth straight for the Hawks, who were led by Dominique Wilkins with 25 points.

Chicago 124, Indiana 95

At Chicago, Michael Jordan scored 20 of his 37 points in the first quarter as the Bulls breezed to a romp over Indiana. Jordan connected on 10 of 11 field goals in the first quarter as the Bulls took a commanding 41-24 lead. Vern Fleming had 14 points for the Pacers, who dropped their fourth consecutive game.

Golden State 119, Orlando 113

At Orlando, Chris Mullin scored 28 points and Mitch Richmond had six points in the final two minutes to power the Warriors over the Magic, who dropped their sixth in a row. Golden State, 10-6, is off to its best start since the 1975-76 season.

Milwaukee 103, New York 97

At Milwaukee, Alvin Robertson recorded his second triple double of the season with 17 points, 10 rebounds and 15 assists for the Bucks. Jay Humphries added 20 points and five assists. Milwaukee has won five of six while the Knicks dropped their fifth straight. Charles Oakley led the Knicks with 19 points and 15 rebounds.

Utah 96, Minnesota 79

Jeff Malone scored 19 points, including 14 in the third quarter, to lead the Jazz to their fifth straight victory. The Jazz led by just one, 41-40, at the half before going on a 34-18 spurt in the third quarter to tkae control. Karl Malone added 16 points and 13 rebounds for the Jazz and Thurl Bailey added 13 points and seven rebounds.

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(DEC. 1) UPI - Joe Rhett and Barry Manning scored 15 points apiece Friday night to help South Carolina rally for a 76-74 upset of No. 4 North Carolina in the first round of the Tournament of Champions in Charlotte, N.C.

The Gamecocks, 3-1, trailed by 14 points in the second half but came back to take their first lead on Jeff Raulston's layup with eight seconds remaining.

The Tar Heels, 2-1, called timeout and set up a play for forward George Lynch. Lynch, however, lost control of the ball on the baseline and it rolled off his leg and out of bounds. South Carolina moved the ball downcourt and Rhett was fouled, but missed both free throws.

North Carolina then sent a long pass to the foul line where freshman Clifford Rozier's turnaround jumper at the buzzer was short. The Tarheels argued the

shot had been goaltended to no avail.

South Carolina will play Houston for the tournament title Saturday night and North Carolina plays Iowa State in the consolation game. The Cougars defeated the Cyclones 87-72 in Friday's first game.

Guard Jo Jo English scored 13 points and had nine assists, and Jamie Watson added 10 for South Carolina. The Tar Heels were led by sophomore forward Lynch with 16 points and senior forward Rick Fox with 15.

North Carolina led as many as 14 points, 40-26, in the first half and took a 40-28 lead at intermission, behind eight points from Lynch.

-- AROUND THE NCAA --

At Birmingham, AL., Darrin Chancellor scored 25 points and Clarence Weatherspoon made a jumper with 34 seconds left, lifting 19th- rated Southern Mississippi to an 84-82 victory over No. 8 Alabama.

Weatherspoon, who scored 15 points and hauled in 15 rebounds, hit the deciding basket after James Robinson scored with 1:01 to go that brought the Crimson Tide within 82-81.

Robinson then hit one foul fhot and missed the second attempt intentionally. Robinson grabbed the rebound, but time expired before he got a shot off.

Russell and Johnson added 12 points for Southern Mississippi, 1-0. Melvin Cheatum paced Alabama, 2-1, with 21 points and Robinson added 20.

At Charlottesville, VA., Tank Collins came off the bench to score 16 points and New Orleans held No. 18 Virginia to 32 percent shooting for a 60-55 upset over the Cavaliers.

Freshman forward Melvin Simon added 11 points and Dwight Myvett contributed 10 points for the Privateers, 1-2, who outrebounded the Cavaliers 44-22 and never trailed in the second half.

Virginia, 2-2, was led by senior point guard John Crotty with 25 points. Junior Bryant Stith chipped in 17 points and 8 rebounds for the Cavaliers, who were just 17 of 53 from the field.

New Orleans missed its first 13 shots of the game yet found itself down only 8-2 as Virginia also had trouble putting the ball in the basket.

6-11 sophomore center Ervin Johnson grabbed a game-high 12 rebounds for the Privateers, who blocked eight shots.

At Niagara falls, NY., Jason Buchanan scored 18 points and Malik Sealy added

14 to lead No. 22 St. John's to a 66-49 victory over Niagara.

St. John's, 3-0, led the entire way and took adantage of poor shooting by the Purple Eagles to take a 34-14 lead at the half. Niagara, which shot just 28 percent for the game (16-58), was a dismal 5 of 28 in the first half while the Redmen were good on 15 of their 26 attempts from the field.

Niagara, 1-2, closed to within 37-23 with 8:24 remaining on a layup by Darren Brown but could get no closer as the Redmen continued their hot shooting.

St. John's took its biggest lead at 60-37 on freshman Shawnelle Scott's basket with 5:25 left.

At Baton rouge, LA., Shaquille O'Neal scored 26 points and grabbed 17 of his 18 rebounds in the first half to lead 23rd-ranked Louisiana State to a 101-87 victory over co-No. 19 Texas.

O'Neal got in foul trouble early in the second and sat out almost 10 minutes before returning with 7:25 remaining in the game.

LSU had opened up an 18-point lead at 54-36 on O'Neal's dunk to begin the second half, before the Longhorns began to come back behind Joey Wright's 10 points.

With LSU leading 58-46, O'Neal was benched with four fouls, but the Tigers continued to up their lead with several spurts over the next 9:43 to stretch their lead to 79-63 when O'Neal returned.

At Charlotte, NC., Center Alvaro Teheran scored 32 points and 25th-ranked rallied in the second half to post an 87-72 win over Iowa State in the opening round of the Tournament of Champions.

Guard Byron Smith had 16 for the Cougars, 3-0, and guard Derrick Daniels added 13 points in the come-from-behind win. The Cyclones, 1-3, were led by Victor Alexander with 23 points and Doug Collins, who added 16.

The Cougars trailed 42-36 at the half but rallied in the second half and tied the score at 59-59 with 10:09 left on a three-pointer by Smith.

Houston took its first lead, 61-59, with 9:39 remaining on a jumper by Teheran who had 19 points in the second half.

Guard Mark Chappell scored 13 for the Cyclones and center Phil Kunz chipped in with 10 points and eight rebounds.

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WASHINGTON (95)

King 9-23 4-5 22, Grant 8-14 5-5 21, Jones 2-4 1- 2 5, Workman 5-12 3-6 13, Walker 3-8 6-8 12, Eackles 3-8 1-2 7, Alarie 2-5 0-1 4, Ellison 0-3 1-4 1, Hammonds 2-4 0-0 4, Foster 0-2 2-2 2, English 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 36-87 23-35 95.

BOSTON (123)

Bird 8-20 2-2 21, Gamble 6-12 4-4 16, Parish 1-6 8-8 10, Shaw 8-18 0-0 16, Lewis 4-12 2-2 10, Brown 8-9 2-2 18, McHale 8-13 2-2 18, Kleine 0- 1 0-0 0, Smith 1-3 0-0 2, Pinckney 1-2 0-0 2, Popson 4-4 2-2 10, Vrankovic 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 49-100 22-22 123.

Washington	22	21	32	20-	95
Boston	18	34	34	37-	123

Three-point goals-Bird 3. Fouled out- None. Total fouls-Washington 17, Boston 24. Rebounds-Washington 42 (Walker 12), Boston 60 (Parish 15). Assists-Washington 26 (Workman 6), Boston 27 (Brown 6). Technicals-None. A-14,890.

PHILADELPHIA (94)

Barkley 9-15 3-5 22, Mahorn 3-6 3-3 9, Gminski 5-11 1-1 11, Hawkins 7-18 5-5 20, Green 8-11 0-0 16, Bol 0-1 0-0 0, Anderson 3-12 0-0 6, Williams 1-2 2-2 4, Oliver 1-1 0-0 2, Turner 2-3 0-0 4, Payne 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-80 14-16 94.

DETROIT (96)

Rodman 2-2 3-4 7, Edwards 8-18 2-2 18, Laimbeer 5-12 1-2 11, Dumars 10-18 4-7 24, Thomas 4-14 3-5 11, Johnson 2-6 2-4 6, Aguirre 6-9 0-0 13, Salley 0-0 0-0 0, Bedford 3-5 0-0 6, Rollins 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-84 15-24 96.

Philadelphia	29	27	15	23-	94
Detroit		13	28	24	31-96

Three-point goals-Barkley, Hawkins, Aguirre. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Philadelphia 21, Detroit 19. Rebounds- Philadelphia 38 (Mahorn, Gminski 8), Detroit 43 (Laimbeer 11). Assists- Philadelphia 21 (Green 6), Detroit 22 (Johnson 8). Technicals-Detroit 2 (illegal defense); Philadelphia (illegal defense), Barkley. A-21,454.

GOLDEN STATE (119)

Mullin 11-15 6-7 28, Hill 3-5 0-0 6, Lister 1-5 2-2 4, Hardaway 8-23 2-2 18, Richmond 5-13 4-4 15, Peterson 1-2 0-0 2, Marciulionis 8-15 3-4 19, Tolbert 3-10 5-6 11, Pritchard 2-3 0-0 4, Johnson 0-1 0-0 0, Higgins 3-7 6-6 12.

Totals 45- 99 28-31 119.

ORLANDO (113)

Scott 8-19 2-2 24, Catledge 5-11 6-7 16, Kite 1-2 0-2 2, Vincent 2-5 0-0 4, Smith 7-11 2-5 16, Wright 1-2 1-2 3, Anderson 5-9 5-8 15, Reynolds 1-6 2-2 4, Skiles 8-18 2-2 19, Ansley 3- 5 4-8 10, Turner 0-1 0-0. Totals 41-89 24-38 113.

Golden State	33	27	30	29-119
Orlando	32	27	32	22-113

Three-point goals-Richmond, Scott 6, Skiles. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Golden State 26, Orlando 28. Rebounds- Golden State 47 (Tolbert 11), Orlando 45 (Smith 11). Assists-Golden State 32 (Hardaway 18), Orlando 26 (Skiles 10). Technicals-None. A-15,077.

INDIANA (95)

Thompson 0-2 0-0 0, Person 5-12 0-0 12, Smits 6-11 1-2 13, Fleming 6-12 2-2 14 Miller 3-6 2-2 8, McCloud 4-10 2-2 12, Schrempf 4-5 4-4 12, K. Williams 3-5 1-2 7, Sanders 2-7 1-2 5, M. Williams 2-8 2-2 6, Dreiling 2-4 2-2 6. Totals 37-82 17-20 95.

CHICAGO (124)

Pippen 7-10 5-6 19, Grant 6-11 2-2 14, Cartwright 3-7 0-0 6, Paxson 2-4 2-2 6, Jordan 15-19 7-9 37, Armstrong 4-8 2-2 10, Levingston 4-6 0-0 8, King 3-6 3-4 9, Hopson 2-5 0-0 4, Perdue 2-5 2-2 6, S.Williams 1-2 3-3 5, Hodges 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 49-85 26-30 124.

Indiana	24	26	22	23-- 95
Chicago	41	27	32	24--124

Three-point goals-Person 2, McCloud 2. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Indiana 22 Chicago 19. Rebounds-Indiana 31 (Thompson, K.Williams 6), Chicago 44 (Grant 9). Assists-Indiana 30 (Fleming 8), Chicago 38 (Pippen 15). Technical-Indiana Coach Versace. A-18,346.

NEW YORK (97)

Oakley 6-10 7-7 19, Vandeweghe 8-12 0-0 16, Ewing 5-15 2-4 12, Cheeks 3-8 0-0 6, Jackson 6- 11 1-1 13, E. Wilkins 1-3 2-4 4, G. Wilkins 4-10 0-0 8, Tucker 7-11 0-0 16, Mustaf 1-3 1-2 3. Totals 41-83 13-18 97.

MILWAUKEE (103)

Brickowski 7-9 0-0 14, Roberts 4-8 2-2 10, Sikma 3-12 1-2 7, Humphries 9-14 2-2 20, Robertson 7-14 3-4 17, Henson 2-5 0-0 4, Grayer 3-5 5-6 11, Schayes

3-5 7-8 13, Lohaus 3-4 0-1 7, Anderson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 41-77 20-25 103.

New York	18	28	29	22-	97
Milwaukee	26	33	20	24-	103

Three-point goals-Tucker 2, Lohaus 1. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-New York 21, Milwaukee 17. Rebounds-New York 39 (Oakley 15), Milwaukee 37 (Robertson 10). Assists-New York 25 (Cheeks 8), Milwaukee 30 (Robertson 15). Technicals-None. A-15, 294.

CLEVELAND (101)

Brown 2-3 3-3 7, Nance 9-14 4-5 22, Daugherty 12-18 6-8 30, Paddio 3-12 1-1 7, Price 4-8 3-4 12, Ehlo 5-13 0-0 10, Ferry 1-1 2-2 4, Kerr 2-8 2-3 7, Morton 0-7 0-0 0, Chievous 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 39- 83 21-26 101.

ATLANTA (93)

Wilkins 10-23 5-5 11, Willis 5-12 1-6 12, Koncak 3-4 0-0 6, Rivers 8-15 0-0 16 Webb 1-3 2-2 4, Ferrell 3-5 0-0 6, Battle 4-9 0-0 8, Malone 3-5 2- 4 8, Robinson 3-11 1-3 8. Totals 40-87 11-20 93.

Cleveland	31	28	25	17-	101
Atlanta	35	30	11	17-	93

Three-point goal(s)-Price, Kerr, Willis, Robinson. Fouled out-none. Total fouls- Cleveland 18, Atlanta 27. Rebounds- Cleveland 48 (Nance, Daugherty 13), Atlanta 45 (Wilkins 11). Assists-Cleveland 28 (Price 7), Atlanta 26 (Webb). Technical(s)- Atlanta 2, illegal defense. A-11,996.

MINNESOTA (79)

Corbin 4-15 6-6 14, Spencer 0-4 0-0 0, Breuer 6- 14 2-2 14, Campbell 8-23 3-5 19, Richardson 10- 19 0-2 22, West 0-0 0-0 0, Brooks 1-3 0-0 2, Mitchell 3-6 0-0 6, Glass 1-6 0-0 2. Totals 33-90 11-15 79.

UTAH (96)

K.Malone 6-17 4-4 16, Eaton 3-4 0-0 6, Stockton 3-8 5-6 11, J.Malone 8-17 3-3 19, Toolson 3-8 2-2 8, Brown 3-6 2-2 8, Rudd 1-4 0-0 3, Bailey 5-10 3-4 13, Griffith 5-7 0-0 12, Palmer 0-0 0-0 0, Munk 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-81 19-21 96.

Minnesota	22	18	18	21-	79
Utah	18	23	34	21-	96

Three-point goals-Richardson Griffith 2, Rudd. Fouled out-none. Total fouls- Minnesota 21, Utah 15. Rebounds- Minnesota 46 (Campbell 13), Utah 44 (K. Malone 13). Assists-Minnesota (Richardson 10), Utah 30 (Stockton 15).

Technicals- Minnesota-Corbin, Illegal defense 3, Utah (delay of game).
A-12,616.

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(DEC. 1) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I brings the latest news.

The State Department says China agrees with President Bush's decision to send Secretary of State Baker to Iraq for talks with Saddam Hussein . China's foreign minister traveled to Washington Friday, holding talks with Baker and Bush that largely focused on the conflict in the Persian Gulf.

Also in Washington, a spokesman for the Iraqi Embassy says Iraq may have have an answer to the White House proposal Saturday. Iraq has long called for high-level talks with the United States, but up until Friday the Bush administration has refused the suggestion.

Boston may have to choose between protecting the environment or jobs. Gillette says it may close down its biggest plant if the city passes an ordinance banning ozone-depleting chemicals. 31-hundred people are employed at the 85-year-old South Boston blade and razor plant which uses chloro-fluoro-carbons.

Half of the Americans questioned in a nationwide poll say they're worried that a repeat of the Great Depression is at least somewhat likely. Decision Research Corporation of Lexington, Massachusetts, also says 40 percent of those questioned listed general economic issues as their chief worry.

The National Institute of Health says new research offers hope to Millions of Americans with recurrent depressive illness. Researchers at the University of Pittsburgh say people who suffer from a common form of depression apparently can prevent relapses by taking their medication even when they feel well.

The Republican National Committee says Cleveland and St. Petersburg, Florida, are NO longer in the running to host the 1992 national convention. Republican officials say the field has been narrowed to three cities- Houston, New Orleans and San Diego. The panel will make a final recommendation in January.

California medical officials say Norman Cousins died Friday of heart failure. The man who served as editor of the Saturday Review for 35 years and the author of 25 books was 75. Cousins served as a chairman of the Pulitzer Prize jury in literature and helped start public television in the United States.

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BANGKOK (DEC. 1) UPI - The leaders of Laos celebrate 15 years in power Sunday amid efforts to preserve their communist rule by shifting to a semi-capitalist economy.

The same determined revolutionaries who led the struggle against series of U.S.-backed governments dating back to the 1960s are still in power, but they are old and concerned by the worldwide problems of communism.

A small bomb explosion in the capital this week was a reminder that the Lao people remain divided by old ideological antagonisms and many of the most able are in exile.

Despite a regime supposedly devoted to the workers and peasants, the 4 million Lao people are among the poorest and least-educated in Asia.

Prime Minister and Communist Party General Secretary Kaysone Phomvihan, 70, is reported to be ailing, while the ''Red Prince'' of Laos, President Souphanouvong, 81, has been unable to speak clearly since a stroke.

As they entertain the shrinking contingent of fellow communist leaders at parades and cultural ceremonies this week, Kaysone and Souphanouvong may wonder whether their successors will also be communists.

The regime arrested two former Cabinet members in October on charges of trying to set up an alternative political party to challenge the Communist Party.

Lao students in Eastern Europe, many of them the sons and daughters of the communist elite, have staged repeated demonstrations calling for a multiparty system, free elections, freedom of speech and an end to the Vietnamese military presence.

In exile, in refugee camps and in carefully hidden jungle camps opponents of the regime gather arms and try to muster support for a resumption of the fight against communism. But the long-suffering Lao people do not seem to be responding with any enthusiasm, no matter how much they dislike the system.

Perhaps more dangerous to communist orthodoxy is the fast-growing economic influence of nearby capitalist, democratic Thailand.

Desperate to revive the moribund socialist economy, Kaysone has thrown open the doors to foreign investment and encouraged private enterprise.

Thai entrepreneurs lured by the rich natural resources and similar culture in Laos have moved quickly to develop fast-growing economic links.

With the expected loss of most aid from the Soviet Union and Vietnam next year Lao leaders know they have little choice but to turn to capitalism for development.

The first constitution under the communists, is due to be promulgated after the anniversary. It calls for a market-oriented economic system and guarantees certain property rights.

But it also enshrines the political monopoly of the communist party for its great service in liberating Laos from U.S. imperialism.

The war in Laos was a shadowy sideshow to the Vietnam War that involved devastating B-52 bombing raids, a secret CIA hilltribe army, Thai ''volunteers'' and hundreds of thousands of North Vietnamese troops.

It staggered to a partial conclusion in 1973 with the formation of a three-part coalition government.

The communists, bolstered by the victories of their allies in Vietnam and Cambodia, seized sole power, declaring the Lao People's Democratic Republic on Dec. 2, 1975.

The communists declared an end to the 600-year-old monarchy and hauled King Savang Vatthana off to internal exile and death under circumstances that still have not been revealed.

The fates of the more than 500 American servicemen missing in Laos have also remained obscure.

Laos has cooperated with U.S. search teams in recent years to excavate warplane crash sites, but it has never explained publicly what happened to an estimated 70 of the men who were captured by communist forces.

Despite the questions, Laos is the only country in Indochina with a U.S. embassy. Ties have improved amid growing cooperation on investment and narcotics suppression.

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VILNIUS, LITHUANIA, U.S.S.R. (DEC. 1) UPI - The parliaments of the Soviet Union's three mutinous Baltic republics met Saturday at a historic joint session to plot a common course against Moscow.

Several hundred demonstrators greeted the arriving deputies with national hymns, hoisting Lithuania's yellow, green and red flag and posters including one that proclaimed to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Defense Minister Dmitri Yazov, ''The Baltic republics have said no to slavery.''

The Lithuanian banner hung alongside Estonia's blue, black and white flag and Latvia's burgundy and white emblem over the entrance to the modern

glass-and-granite Lithuanian Parliament building on the Neris River.

More than 250 deputies from Lithuania, Estonia and Latvia gathered in the Lithuanian capital for the unprecedented show of pan-Baltic solidarity.

The session was boycotted by mainly Russian deputies opposed to the Baltic republics' struggle to end a half-century of Soviet rule.

The pro-independence lawmakers stood and sang the three republics national anthems at the start of the session. Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis the goateed former music professor who has led his republics independence drive, then officially opened the gathering.

Estonian President Arnold Ruutel and Latvian Anatolijs Gorbunovs flanked Landsbergis at the front of the hall, the three Baltic flags unfurled behind them against the backdrop of a floor-to-ceiling Lithuanian banner.

''The continued occupation of the Baltic states is the last result of the Second World War that has not been resolved,'' Ruutel said in his opening address. ''Tens of countries around the world have never recognized the Soviet Union's forceful annexation of the Baltic nations. ''

The three presidents were to ask the deputies to approve resolutions appealing to the parliaments of the world and to the U.S.S.R. Congress of Peoples Deputies that is scheduled to open its session in Moscow on Dec. 17.

The Baltic lawmakers were also expected to take a joint stand on the presence of several hundred thousand Soviet soldiers on their territories, a source of growing tension in their relations with the central government.

The deputies represented about 60 percent of the three legislatures' total membership, roughly equal to the pro-independence blocs' combined strength.

More than half the lawmakers in each legislature were present, so any measure approved at the joint session would have the force of law in each republic, Lithuanian government spokeswoman Rita Dapkus said.

Landsbergis huddled with Ruutel, drafting the proposed resolutions late into the night before the gathering opened. Gorbunovs arrived in Vilnius early Saturday.

The three Baltic states passed separate declarations of independence earlier this year after nationalist forces took control of their parliaments in stunning election triumphs.

Lithuania led the way Mar. 11 with the first such independence proclamation in Soviet history, followed by neighboring Latvia and Estonia.

Gorbachev, angered by anti-army protests in the northern Baltic region, has recently appeared to back away from earlier promises of eventual independence for the three defiant republics.

Gorbachev wants all 15 Soviet republics to sign a treaty of voluntary allegiance to a renamed Union of Sovereign Soviet Republics, replacing the accord by which the country formally came into existence in 1922.

But the Baltic republics, annexed by Josef Stalin in 1940, have said they will not sign any pact subordinating them to Moscow.

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MANILA (DEC. 1) UPI - Unidentified gunmen ambushed a city vice mayor while he was driving his jeep, fatally wounding the official and seriously injuring four other people, police said Saturday.

Eduardo Joson III, vice mayor of Cabanatuan, 60 miles north of Manila, was seriously wounded in the attack Friday night and died early Saturday from multiple gunshot wounds, police said.

Police said Joson was driving his jeep outside Cabanatuan when he overtook another jeep without plate numbers. The occupants of the vehicle opened fire on him and his four aides, who were wounded seriously in the attack.

Joson's brother, Nueva Ecija Vice Governor Tomas Joson, blamed their political rivals in the province for the killing.

The vice governor said his family has been accused of involvement in the ambush slaying of city secretary Andres Kibuyen two weeks ago. Also, the vice governor has been charged in connection with the killing of three people last April.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (DEC. 1) UPI - The outlawed Communist Party of the Philippines Saturday dismissed as a ''big lie'' claims it had forged an alliance with military dissidents seeking the ouster of President Corazon Aquino.

The denial was issued two days after armed forces chief Gen. Renato de Villa said leftist and rightist dissidents were sharing explosives and planned to mount a major uprising against Aquino.

In a statement released to news agencies, the CPP said the reported link between its armed partisan New People's Army and the military dissident group,

Reform the Armed Forces Movement, or Ram, was ''a big lie''

''The CPP and national democratic movement have rightly earned their place as a legitimate and major political force through more than two decades of life-and-death struggle,'' it said.

It said the CPP cannot be a possible RAM ally ''as long as RAM does not clearly reject pro-imperialism and fascism and does not adopt a patriotic and democratic political program.''

However, the statement said the CPP has allies within the Armed Forces of the Philippines. It said they are ''patriotic and pro-people officers and men now secretly organizing NDF cells within the reactionary military and police forces.''

The NDF, or National Democratic Front, is the umbrella group for a dozen leftist organizations, including the CPP and the NPA.

Meanwhile, the military said Saturday about 300 NPA guerrillas attacked Sulat town in the central island of Samar Friday, leaving six guerrillas, two troopers, a militiaman and three civilians dead.

Army regional commander Brig. Gen. Vicente Garcia said the guerrillas who arrived aboard four buses remained in Sulat for four hours until reinforcements came.

De Villa claimed Thursday that an alliance had been formed between the Alex Boncayao Brigade, the urban hit squad of the NPA, and a military dissident faction headed by cashiered army Maj. Abraham Purugganan.

De Villa said the alliance was on an operational level and it was possible it had not reached the top echelons of the CPP and Ram.

The CPP and the 17,000-strong NPA have been waging a bloody campaign to set up a Marxist state in the Philippines for 21 years.

Rebel soldiers have tried seven times to oust Aquino and have threatened to launch another coup attempt before her term expires in 1992.

De Villa said the more than 50 bombings in the capital over the past three months were carried out by both communist and military dissidents. But he said neither of the two groups have the capability to oust Aquino.

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MANILA, PHILIPPINES (DEC. 1) UPI - U.S. officials imposed travel restrictions Saturday on 20,000 troops and dependents at the U.S. Clark Air Base, fearing

the possibility of communist rebel attacks as talks begin next week on the future of the region's American military bases.

Philippine sources said the third round of talks to decide the fate of Clark, Subic Bay Naval Station and four smaller facilities will start Tuesday at the heavily guarded Central Bank building in the capital.

The lease on the bases expires on Sept. 16, 1991.

Philipine and U.S. negotiators have expressed hopes of reaching an agreement by January to allow continued American presence in the former U.S. colony.

Clark spokesman Lt. Col. Ron Rand appeared on U.S. military television to announce the 9 p.m. to 5:30 a.m curfew for the 9,209 troops, 10,478 dependents and 620 civilian employees manning the base, 50 miles north of Manila.

Offbase movement also was limited to essential travel from 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. and travel outside the local area was restricted to the Manila airport and Camp John Hay recreation center in the mountain resort city of Baguio.

''We're making these changes now because there is an increased threat due to the bases talks which are scheduled for next week,'' Rand said.

Subic spokesman Lt. Cmdr. Kevin Mukri said no restrictions were placed on the 6,290 troops, 8,747 dependents and 728 civilian employees of the sprawling facility that serves as a repair and logistics center for the U.S. 7th Fleet.

The travel restrictions were a precaution after communist guerrillas in previous talks attacked Americans to dramatize opposition to the bases.

Most of the previous attacks occurred in the vicinity of Clark, where two servicemen were killed in May on the eve of exploratory talks.

Since October 1987, at least 10 Americans have been killed in slayings blamed on the 17,000-member communist New People's Army, which has been fighting the Manila government for the past 21 years.

In previous meetings, the United States indicated it wanted a phase down of U.S. forces in the Philippines over 10 to 12 years and establish a limited presence after that.

Philippine negotiators said they favored a five- to seven-year phasedown of the facilities.

Any new agreement requires approval by the Philippine Senate, where anti-bases sentiment is strong among members who say continued U.S. presence is a symbol of colonial rule and an infringement on national sovereignty.

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CALAIS, FRANCE (DEC. 1) UPI - Two construction workers shook hands and embraced beneath the English Channel Saturday after breaking through in the 31-mile tunnel that makes it possible for the first time since the Ice Age to walk from England to the continent.

Philippe Cozette of France and Robert Fagg of Britain shook hands through an 11-inch hole at 12:13 p.m. and exchanged their national flags to mark the breakthrough in one of the world's most extraordinary engineering projects.

The underground handshake was a culmination of three years of work during which 3 million tons of rock has been dug from beneath the seabed.

It will be another 2 1/2 years before passengers will be able to make the trip on a high-speed train. Thirty million passengers are expected to make the trip in the first year alone.

The next landmark is slated for January, when the service tunnel will be completed. The tunnel runs between two much bigger train tunnels, which are now being bored.

A formal ceremony is planned to mark the event - French President Francois Mitterrand was to meet Margaret Thatcher in the tunnel, but she lost her position as prime minister last month and new British Prime Minister John Major was expected to go instead.

The Eurotunnel project has inched ahead below ground as controversy raged above.

Financial and delays problems have dogged it and the cost of completion has soared to $15 billion.

Trade unions have been aggrieved by the number of accidents - seven workers have died on the British side and two on the French.

David Eves, of the Health and Safety Executive, said, however, the project has been generally safe.

''Some of the accidents that have occurred have been absolutely preventable ''he said. ''At the same time, this is an extraordinarily complex construction project ... so one has to be balanced about this.''

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CHTAURA, LEBANON (DEC. 1) UPI - Israeli warplanes blasted Palestinian

positions Saturday for the second time this week in the Syrian-policed Bakaa Valley, wounding at least two people, security sources said.

Israeli jets raided the military headquarters of the Libyan-backed Popular Struggle Front headed by Samir Ghosheh in the village of Taalbaya near the market town of Chtaura, 22 miles east of Beirut, the sources said.

Palestinian sources said the headquarters was totally destroyed and a number of nearby houses and military and civilian cars were damaged. The sources said at least two people were wounded and were taken to a nearby hospital.

In Jerusalem, an Army spokesman said the Israeli planes returned safely to base after the noon raid. He said ''the terrorist headquarters'' which were attacked served as bases to launch attacks against Israeli targets.

A group from the organization was involved in a clash with Israeli forces inside Israel's self-declared ''security zone'' approximately two weeks ago, the spokesman said.

The Israeli air strike was the 18th into Lebanon this year and the second against Palestinian positions this week.

On Tuesday, Israeli aircraft raided a military base and three other positions of Abu Nidal's Fatah Revolutionary Council in the Sharhabil area, east of the port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut.

In another attack, the Israeli jets raided positions of the Syrian- backed Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command of Ahmed Jibril in the village of Baisour, east of Sidon.

Five people were killed and five others were wounded in the two raids.

In southern Lebanon, Israeli troops opened fire early Saturday from their positions at the edge of the border zone, killing a 10-year-old boy and wounding three others.

Security sources said Israeli soldiers fired volleys from their positions near the village of Zibkin, east of the port city of Tyre, 46 miles south of Beirut.

A bullet hit Luai Assad Basie, 10, killing him instantly, the sources said. They added that three other people were also wounded and were taken to hospital for treatment.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (DEC. 1) UPI - Syria's defense minister said in a newspaper interview published Saturday that his country was ready to send 500,000 more

troops to defend Persian Gulf Arab states against further Iraqi aggression.

However, Lt. Gen. Mustafa Tlass expressed hope Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's troops would leave Kuwait and avoid war.

''Syria is ready to send half a million troops to the gulf and face any treacherous action by Saddam Hussein,'' the Syrian defense minister told the United Arab Emirates, Abu Dhabi-based Al Ittihad newspaper.

Syria, along with Egypt and Morocco, has sent troops to the Persian Gulf to serve with the U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the region after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait during an oil and border dispute.

But Tlass said he hoped Saddam would pull his troops out of the emirate before any state resorted to force.

''We hope he will be courageous and admit his mistake,'' Tlass was quoted as saying. ''It will not be a defeat for him because he is pulling from out from an Arab country, not a foreign one.''

The U.N. Security Council on Thursday passed a resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq if Saddam failed to withdraw his troops by Jan. 15.

In a surprise development, President Bush on Friday invited Iraq's Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to visit Washington for talks and also suggested Secretary of State James Baker could visit Baghdad to meet with Saddam in a last bid to avoid a military showdown.

Iraq on Saturday accepted Bush's offer for direct talks, but said it would broaden any dialogue to include the Arab-Israeli conflict and the Palestinian issue.

Syrian Defense Minister Tlass warned that any military confrontation could lead to the destruction of Iraqi armed forces.

''There is no need to fight the Americans,'' Tlass said. ''We and all other Arabs don't want the Iraqi troops to be destroyed, as they are needed to fight Israel and regain Jerusalem.''

Tlass scoffed at Saddam's threats to attack Israel with advanced chemical weapons, saying, ''Iraq would never hit Israel.''

He accused the Iraqi president of giving a pretext to the Jewish state to seek more U.S. and Western aid by accusing Iraq of possessing advanced chemical weapons.

''The truth is that Saddam is burning Arabs and Kurds and will never head for Israel,'' Tlass said.

The Syrian also accused Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat of encouraging the invasion of Kuwait.

''Arafat has not served the Palestinian cause with this behavior. I hope the Palestinian leaders will revise his position,'' Tlass added.

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(DEC. 1) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque f	50	24	....
Anchorage sy	-02	-17	....
Asheville sy	54	21	....
Atlanta sy	57	32	....
Baltimore sy	46	25	....
Billings pc	52	20	....
Birmingham sy	61	32	....
Bismarck pc	43	11	....
Boston sy	41	32	....
Brownsville pc	73	55	....
Buffalo pc	43	37	....
Burlington Vt. pc	37	29	....
Charleston S.C. sy	58	46	....
Charlotte sy	53	29	....
Chicago pc	49	38	....
Cincinnati pc	47	34	....
Cleveland pc	44	32	....
Columbus Ohio pc	43	29	....
Dallas sy	59	47	....
Denver pc	62	25	....
Des Moines pc	55	36	....
Detroit mc	45	36	....
Duluth pc	35	16	....
El Paso pc	64	36	....
Evansville sy	51	36	....
Fargo pc	53	12	....
Hartford sy	42	25	....
Honolulu sy	85	74	....
Houston pc	61	46	....
Indianapolis pc	48	33	....
Jackson Miss. pc	63	32	....
Jacksonville pc	61	47	....
Kansas City cy	57	39	....
Las Vegas sy	59	35	....
Little Rock pc	56	38	....

Los Angeles sy	74	50	....
Louisville sy	50	37	....
Memphis sy	56	33	....
Miami Beach pc	77	71	....
Milwaukee pc	48	38	....
Minneapolis pc	43	23	....
Nashville sy	55	36	....
New Orleans pc	60	51	....
New York sy	45	36	....
Oklahoma City pc	58	43	....
Omaha pc	54	34	....
Orlando pc	71	59	....
Philadelphia sy	46	31	....
Phoenix sy	74	47	....
Pittsburgh sy	42	27	....
Portland Me. sy	39	23	....
Portland Ore. sh	48	42	.06
Providence sy	43	24	....
Richmond sy	50	30	....
St. Louis cy	58	45	....
Salt Lake City f	45	23	....
San Antonio sy	63	44	....
San Diego sy	69	48	....
San Francisco sy	65	46	....
San Juan sh	82	75	.32
Seattle sh	43	38	.50
Spokane sn	37	30	.01
Tampa pc	74	53	....
Washington sy	47	33	....
Wichita sy	59	38	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
y-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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(DEC. 1) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	43	06
Amsterdam dr	1pm	43	06
Ankara cy	3pm	60	16
Athens c	2pm	65	18
Auckland pc	12m	62	17
Beijing c	8pm	28	-01
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	34	01
Bonn cy	1pm	32	00
Brussels r	1pm	34	01
Cairo hz	2pm	83	28
Casablanca cy	12n	63	17
Copenhagen pc	1pm	39	04
Dakar pc	12n	78	25
Dublin cy	1pm	43	06
Geneva c	1pm	35	02
Helsinki cy	2pm	34	-01
Hong Kong c	8pm	58	14
Jerusalem c	2pm	75	24
Karachi	5pm	-	-
Lisbon c	1pm	49	09
London cy	1pm	46	08
Madrid c	1pm	44	06
Malta c	1pm	61	16
Manila cy	8pm	77	25
Moscow sn	3pm	32	00
Nairobi cy	3pm	75	24
Nassau cy	7am	72	22
New Delhi	6pm	-	-
Nice c	1pm	52	11
Oslo c	1pm	29	-01
Paris c	1pm	37	03
Pretoria cy	2pm	88	31
Riyadh	3pm	84	28
Rome cy	1pm	49	09
Seoul c	9pm	30	-01
Sofia cy	2pm	35	02
Stockholm cy	1pm	39	-04
Sydney pc	10pm	71	21
Taipei cy	8pm	55	13
Tokyo c	9pm	66	19

Tunis r	1pm	49	09
Vienna pc	1pm	34	01
Warsaw pc	1pm	30	00
Latin America			
Buenos Aires c	9am	64	18
Caracas pc	8am	70	21
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	66	18
Mexico City c	6am	46	08
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	81	27
Santiago c	8am	60	16
Canada			
Calgary sn		25	-03
Edmonton c		25	-03
Montreal c		34	-01
Ottawa cy		39	04
Regina c		41	04
Toronto pc		44	06
Vancouver r		41	04
Winnipeg c		38	03

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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MOSCOW (DEC. 1) UPI - The number of people leaving the Soviet Union is growing and will continue to rise, but fears of a quick exodus of millions of Soviets after passage of a proposed emigration bill are exaggerated, Soviet and Western diplomats said.

Nikolai Smirnov, deputy chief of the Soviet Foreign Ministry department that deals with emigration, told the official Tass news agency Saturday that the number of emigres after rules are relaxed would be nowhere near what some neighboring countries are bracing for.

A senior Western diplomat concurred with that assessment Friday, saying the number of Soviet emigres would be limited by the number of people the United States and other countries would be willing to accept.

''I honestly think the concern about countries being overrun by hoards from the Soviet Union are misplaced,'' said the diplomat, who spoke with the condition he not be identified. ''I don't think emigration will take that much of a jump.

''The flow will be controlled by the number of entry visas countries are willing to give. If the emigration law is passed, it may be easier to get out of the Soviet Union, but it won't be easy to get in somewhere else.''

A bill to remove many of the Soviet restrictions on free travel for the country's citizens has been proposed and pending in the Soviet Parliament since early this year, but the measure is not yet scheduled for a vote.

The United States had made passage of the emigration bill a condition for improved trade conditions and economic aid for the Soviet Union, but recent reports from Washington have indicated officials may be softening that stand.

Smirnov told Tass a total of 336,000 people had emigrated from the Soviet Union in the first 10 months this year, with at total of 400,000 expected by year-end - nearly double the number of emigres in 1989.

''A growing number of Soviet citizens emigrate and this should be taken into account,'' Smirnov acknowledged. ''But when we speak about emigration, we should also consider the willingness of the receiving side.''

He said as of October, 200,000 Jewish emigres had left for Israel and 105,000 mostly ethnic Germans went to Germany. The United States and other countries also accept substantial numbers of Soviets within restrictions set by each nation.

Many European countries, particularly the Soviet Union's neighbors in Eastern Europe and Scandinavia, have expressed concern about increasing numbers of Soviet refugees and some tightened visa and border controls to prepare for an expected exodus.

A Finnish official said in October his country had been told privately that Soviet authorities expected as many as 20 million people to leave the country under relaxed emigration laws.

Smirnov said the number of emigres would initially continue to rise under relaxed regulations, but he predicted in several years the number of people leaving the Soviet Union would stabilize.

He also disputed widely held Soviet fears that the new emigration law would

lead to a severe ''brain-drain,'' with the most highly skilled Soviets leaving for the West.

''Forecasts that our best brains will flee abroad are emotional and have an element of sensationalism,'' Smirnov said. ''There will also be an opposite process - Soviet citizens who have failed to settle abroad will return.

''Eventually, the number of those leaving the Soviet Union will stabilize.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 1) UPI - President Bush, conferring with top military advisers at Camp David Saturday, reacted cautiously to Iraq's reported acceptance of his surprise offer to hold face-to-face U.S.-Iraqi talks on the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

Informed of word from Baghdad that Saddam Hussein had quickly accepted Bush's offer to talk, but with the condition that the Arab- Israeli conflict be included, a White House spokeswoman said the president was aware of the report but had yet to be contacted on any official level.

''We're not aware of any official communication,'' the spokeswoman said, while noting at the same time that ''the president has said he would like the meetings to take place.''

The quick answer from Iraq, which has long called for high-level talks with the United States, was being analyzed by top administration officials early Saturday as Bush met at the Camp David presidential retreat with his top military advisers, including the Joint Chiefs of Staff, aides said.

The administration had previously refused to talk with Saddam, describing him as a ruthless dictator.

But on Friday, Bush, armed with a U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force to drive Iraqi troops from Kuwait, recommended talks as a possible final way to avoid war.

In a nationally televised address, Bush proposed that Saddam meet in Baghdad with Secretary of State James Baker between Dec. 15 and the U.N. deadline for Iraq to pull out of Kuwait, Jan. 15.

The president also invited Iraq's foreign minister, Tariq Aziz, to Washington to talk with him the week of Dec. 10.

''Within the mandate of the United Nations resolutions'' that condemn Iraq for its Aug. 2 takeover of Kuwait, Bush said he ''will be prepared ... to discuss all aspects of the gulf crisis.''

''However,'' he added, ''I am not suggesting discussions that will result in anything less than Iraq's complete withdrawal from Kuwait, restoration of Kuwait's legitimate government and freedom for all Western hostages.''

The president stressed he would make no deals, and conceded at a news conference afterward, ''I'm not hopeful it will get any big results.''

Bush also warned that if war became necessary, the United States would score a swift and emphatic victory.

''This will not be another Vietnam,'' Bush said. ''This will not be a protracted, drawn-out conflict.''

''If we've got one kid that's apt to be in harm's way, I want him backed up to the hilt by American firepower,'' the president said.

Reaction to Bush's call for talks was generally positive on Capitol Hill.

House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri praised Bush for mixing ''the threat of force and economic sanctions with new moves toward resolving the Persian Gulf crisis through dialogue.''

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., too, was pleased by ''the president's peace initiative,'' but he said he was troubled that Bush has yet to ask Congress for permission to conduct war.

''In fact, the president has a constitutional responsibility to come to Congress for approval in advance, before he goes to war,'' Kennedy told a news conference.

Kennedy also called for more time to allow economic sanctions to work.

During a 90-minute White House meeting with congressional leaders late Friday, Bush again opposed calling a special session of Congress to debate the crisis and asked lawmakers to support his stand in the gulf.

Many Democrat leaders also opposed a special session, saying the matter should be left to the new Congress, which convenes Jan. 3. Senate Republicans leaders favor a special session.

The U.N. resolution, adopted Thursday 12-2 with China abstaining, authorized the U.S.-led multinational troops massed in the gulf to use force to free Kuwait unless Saddam withdraws by Jan. 15.

Answering critics, including members of Congress and some former U.S. military leaders, who suggest he give economic sanctions more time to work, Bush said:

''The United States and the entire world has been patient. I will continue to be patient. But yesterday's U.N. resolution ... properly says to Saddam Hussein: 'Time is running out. You must leave Kuwait.'''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 1) UPI - Maintenance men removing old paint from a window outside President Bush's study Saturday caused a tiny fire at the White House that was quickly extinguished, a White House spokeswoman said.

Bush and his wife, Barbara, were not on the premises, spending the weekend at the Camp David presidential retreat outside Washington.

Although several fire trucks were summoned, the spokeswoman said, ''It was a very minor incident'' that was quickly brought under control. She said no water was needed.

The small fire occurred when some maintenance workers were doing some routine repair work on the exterior of a window of the president's private study in the West Wing near the Oval Office.

The spokeswoman said one of the workers used a heat gun to remove old paint and it was believed that the heat caused a small piece of rotten wood to smolder.

There was smoke and some charring of the window frame but no flames were visible, the spokeswoman reported. Firefighters were summoned to check the premises but were never called upon to use their hoses.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 1) UPI - Attorney General Dick Thornburgh will make ground-breaking visits this week to Hungary and Bulgaria to lobby for democratic reforms and post-Cold War cooperation in law enforcement.

The weeklong trip also includes a three-day stay in Rome where Thornburgh said he will discuss with European law enforcement officials ''continued cooperation in terrorism investigations, border security issues and technology exchanges.''

A Justice Department official, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said a likely topic of discussion at the Rome meetings will be the progress of the investigation into the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103.

Despite the largest criminal investigation in history, there have been no arrests nearly two years after the terrorist bombing of the jetliner over

Lockerbie, Scotland, that killed 270 people.

FBI Director William Sessions and Drug Enforcement Administrator Robert Bonner also will be in Rome for the meetings, although the Justice Department official said no breakthroughs in the case are expected.

Thornburgh's trip was scheduled to run from Saturday until Friday. The Justice Department declined to provide an estimate on how much the trip will cost, but the official conceded: ''The attorney general and his party don't get moved around cheaply.''

While in Budapest, Hungary, on Monday, Thornburgh will meet with Prime Minister Jozsef Antall, in what the department official described as ''an opportunity for an assessment of how that government is moving toward a law-based society.''

In addition, the Justice Department has been authorized by the State Department to begin negotiations with the Hungarian government on a mutual legal assistance treaty - a first for the United States and a Soviet bloc country. Thornburgh later will meet with Justice Minister Istvan Balsai, and attend a court session and a meeting of parliament.

Thornburgh is scheduled to travel Tuesday to Sofia, the capital of Bulgaria. Those plans were in doubt, however, because there has been recent striking by transportation and industrial workers in the nation over dissatisfaction with its Socialist government.

If that leg of the trip goes off as planned, Thornburgh has scheduled a meeting with President Zhelyu Zhelev. However, Justice Department officials said they did not expect much of substance to be accomplished at the talks because of Bulgaria's political instability.

''The opportunities for the kind of exchange on law enforcement issues ... are not going to be available in Bulgaria given the political situation there,'' the Justice Department official said.

The purpose of the Bulgaria trip is to help fulfill a State Department mission to lend support to political forces attempting to bring democratic reforms to the country.

The swing through Eastern Europe will be more of a fact-finding trip than a mission to hammer out concrete agreements, officials say.

''In general, we are in the business of promoting democracy and human rights '' the Justice Department official said. ''And secondly, these countries represent opportunities for criminal organizations to spring up. ... We want to learn about what is precisely going on with these police organizations and to look for opportunities, when the right people come into power, to take

advantage of them.''

The focus of the trip will change Wednesday when Thornburgh travels to Rome for a meeting with European officials, where one of the subjects to be discussed is ''precursor chemicals'' used to produce cocaine and other illegal drugs.

U.S. officials are concerned that a Drug Enforcement Administration program to curb the export of such chemicals from the United States has resulted in an explosion of exports from Germany.

''The issue was raised with the German government, and they promised to act on it,'' the Justice Department official said. ''We want to know what their position is with regard to those chemicals now.''

While in Rome, Thornburgh also will meet with the French interior minister, who Justice Department officials say has recently expressed interest in joining an effort by the United States, Italy and Spain to provide law enforcement assistance to Andean countries grappling with violent cocaine cartels.

There also will be a bilateral meeting with representatives of Luxembourg, which is taking over the chairmanship of a European Community steering group next spring. The goal is to ensure that the United States will have an advisory role in the process of European economic unification in 1992.

''A great deal of emphasis is placed by their law enforcement organizations on how they're going to police themselves once their borders are down as they are expected to be in 1992,'' the Justice Department official said.

''These borders have served as effective trip wires for criminal activity,'' the official said. ''In their concentration on that, we don't want them to loose sight of the fact that the criminal activities are not just going to be confined to the European Community. We have a strong interest in working with them against terrorism, against drug trafficking, and other types of organized crime.''

Meetings with representatives of the Italian government will focus on recent criminal code reforms in that country. According to the Justice Department official, the new provisions ''have proved to be unworkable in some respects '' particularly in the area of extradition.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 1) UPI - If war breaks out, the first Iraqis to know it will be hunched over radar screens in the middle of the night around airfields, surface-to-air missile sites and missiles that could be used to deliver

chemical weapons, experts say.

And if the ''Stealth'' fighter is as good as billed, those radar watchers may not see the attack coming until the last few seconds - too late to mount an effective defense.

War-fighting experts generally agree that an initial softening up with air power will be the first stage of any war with Iraq, with Iraqi military-related industrial sites next on the targeting list along with dug-in infantry and artillery sites that must be pounded to weaken their resistance before any ground battle is launched.

In interviews and in testimony before Congress this past week, experts laid out their scenarios for how a war would unfold. The only real question is whether Iraqi ground forces in Kuwait would fold immediately, surrender after a brief period or put up a significant fight. Many believe U.S. forces will surround Kuwait from the West to isolate the Iraqi troops in Kuwait.

All agree the war will start in the dead of night to make best use of American technology, and quite likely will occur during a period of high tides to ease the way for any amphibious operations. Calendar watchers will note that in the coming months, periods of no moon and high tides come Dec. 19-22, Jan. 17-20, Feb. 16-18 and March 17-19.

Retired Rear Adm. Gene La Rocque, director of the Center for Defense Information, thinks the first bombs are going to be tossed at air bases and missile sites, dug-in ground forces, highways, command posts and chemical and nuclear sites along with weapons assembly plants.

Then, he said, ''U.S. armored and mechanized divisions would drive into Iraq to the west of Kuwait. U.S. Marine amphibious forces would tie down Iraqi troops on the coasts of Kuwait and southern Iraq. U.S. Navy and Air Force planes would maintain control of the air over Iraq. Iraqi forces in Kuwait would be cut off from Baghdad. Arab and European forces would block Iraqi counter attacks.''

In as little as a week, he forecast, U.S. forces would be more than halfway to Baghdad and in three months Baghdad would be captured.

U.S. tank forces are in positions that would allow them easy access to the broad, hard-packed plain that lies at the confluence of the western Kuwait border with Iraq and Saudi Arabia, an area once plied by the trade caravans of old that is so desolate there is nothing natural to break the horizon.

La Rocque forecasts as many as 45,000 casualties in such a campaign, including about 10,000 deaths. Other estimates run lower, depending on whether much ground combat is necessary.

Former Defense Secretary James Schlesinger, who also ran the CIA and the Energy Department, noted that there is no question among U.S. military planners that allied forces will win.

If an all-out assault against Iraqi ground forces is not needed, he said, and air power advantages are used, casualties can be held down and ''in between four and eight weeks it should be all over - safe for starving out or mopping up the remaining Iraqi forces in Kuwait.''

Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, who had a career as a Marine fighter pilot and astronaut before coming to the Senate, said ground forces may be needed and the air action is largely a supporting role used to so stun and weaken an opponent on the ground that he is unable to mount a credible defense.

''It's the most ideal air warfare situation I've ever run into,'' he said. ''I think the first thing we should do is not go after all these industrial and military plant targets we have talked about but the surface-to-air missile sites and anti-air sites, knock down everything you can shoot at in the air you can possibly find, establish air superiority, then pick and choose and hit every tank emplacement, every gun,'' he said.

That way, he said, ''when we do have to go in there on the ground, if anybody does have to, it's far far easier than it would have been with a Greek phalanx approach with the Army going off from square one without any kind of preparation being done ahead of time.'' It would be ''idiotic,'' he said, to try frontal assaults like World War I-style trench warfare.

''You establish air superiority. ... Then you really emaciate that place before anyone moves in on the ground if you have to do it,'' said Glenn.

John Wheeler, a 1966 West Point graduate who was involved in creation of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, said, ''The way an assault would begin would be to use air power, standoff weapons like cruise missiles, take out their air force as quickly as possible, then defang the Iraqi military by eliminating as much of their war goods ability as possible. All that starts immediately.''

''Don't forget,'' he said, ''Iraq is not covered by foliage. We've got crystal-clear look down from satellites and we've been registering cruise missiles on military targets.''

Then, Wheeler said, he would wait eight or nine months in a blocking position while air strikes and the embargo destroyed the ability of Iraqi ground forces to resist. The only forces that can be considered reliable, said Wheeler, are the Iraqi Republican Guards who have been pulled back toward Iraq.

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(DEC. 1) UPI - Nations usually opposing U-S foreign policy are backing President Bush's offer to hold face-to-face talks with Iraq. Libya's ambassador to the United Nations, Ali Treikki, called it ''a good step forward for a peaceful solution.'' Yemen's ambassador called it ''very promising.'' Iraq has NOT officially responded. A spokesman at the embassy in Washington said a reaction may come from Baghdad today.

An executive of an oil company has been named as Alaska's commissioner of natural resources. Governor-elect Walter Hickel announced the appointment of Harold Heinze, a former president of ARCO Transportation, a division of Atlantic Richfield oil company. An environmentalist, Cliff Eames, called the appointment ''a disappointment.'' He said- ''There's a possibility the fox will be in charge of the henhouse.''

A national poll shows half of all Americans are worried another great depression is possible. Decision Research says Americans are now more worried about the economy than they were just after the stock market crash of 1987. Then only 43 percent were pessimistic about a depression. The poll found that 40 percent of all Americans consider the economy their chief worry.

Government experts say an unusual lineup of the sun, moon and Earth may cause coastal flooding and boating hazards early in December and again late in the month and early January. High tides will be higher than normal and low tides lower. The first period of extreme tides will be from now through Tuesday. The second is December 30th to January 2nd. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration predicts some flooding if high tides occur during heavy rain.

The Illinois Supreme Court has ruled against a plan for reforming Chicago's public schools. The plan established local councils elected by teachers, parents and other community members to help run schools. They had the power to hire and fire principals. The court said the system gives too much power to parents. Chicago Mayor Richard Daley said the effort to change Chicago's schools will continue.

The vice mayor of a Philippines city has been shot and killed while driving his jeep. Police say Eduardo Joson passed another jeep whose occupants fired on him and four aides. The four others were seriously wounded. Joson was vice mayor of Cabanatuan, 60 miles north of Manila. His brother says the family has been linked to the slaying of a city official. The brother, also a government official, is charged in connection with the killings of three people.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (DEC. 1) UPI - The shuttle Columbia was cleared Saturday for a fiery predawn Sunday launch, the crew's fifth attempt in six months to take off on a 10-day astronomy mission grounded since May by crippling fuel leaks.

''The long summer of hydrogen leaks is totally behind us,'' said NASA Launch Director Robert Sieck. ''The team is really up for this one.''

Carrying a crew of seven and a $150 million cargo of telescopes, Columbia was scheduled for blastoff at 1:28 a.m. EST Sunday from pad 39B at the Kennedy Space Center, a record-tying 17 days after the shuttle Atlantis's launch Nov. 15 launch on a military flight.

Early Saturday, a large rotating gantry was pulled away from the $2 billion orbiter, exposing the black-and-white ship to view and setting the stage for engineers to pump a half-million gallons of liquid oxygen and liquid hydrogen fuel into Columbia's external tank later in the day.

The Air Force said there was a 40 percent chance that clouds, rain showers and high winds could delay the launch, but the odds the weather would be a problem dropped to 20 percent later in the 2 1/2-hour launch window.

NASA managers were confident the repaired shuttle, which passed a fueling test last month, would prove to be leak-free.

''We believe this one is going to be the one with the charm,'' said Lennard Fisk, NASA's associate administrator for space science at a pre- launch news conference.

Commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise 39, and Samuel Durrance, 47, planned to strap in shortly after 10:30 p.m. to await liftoff.

The first item on the agenda for the astronauts after reaching orbit Sunday was to begin activating Columbia's ''Astro-1'' payload, a complex task expected to take up most of the crew's first day in orbit. Science observations are scheduled to begin early Monday.

In Soviet Central Asia, meanwhile, engineers readied a Soyuz booster for launch later Sunday to carry a crew of three, including a Japanese television journalist, to the Mir space station where two cosmonauts have been on duty since Aug. 1.

If all goes well with both launches, a record 12 humans will end up in orbit at the same time.

The goal of the 38th shuttle mission, the sixth this year, is to study the most energetic stars and galaxies in the universe by analyzing high-energy X-rays and ultraviolet light that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

''Astro has a revolutionary sensitivity that we have never had before in

space. So we are expecting a number of important discoveries,'' Fisk said.

To collect as much data as possible, the astronauts will work around the clock in two 12-hour shifts, with Hoffman, Lounge and Durrance making up the ''day'' crew and Parker, Gardner and Parise staffing Columbia for the overnight shift. Brand is not assigned a specific shift.

Unlike the $1.5 billion Hubble Space Telescope, the four telescopes making up the Astro-1 payload will remain inside Columbia's cargo bay throughout the mission, operated by the astronauts from the crew cabin much like a normal observatory.

By extending humanity's vision beyond the blue end of the electromagnetic spectrum, Columbia's crew may find evidence for the existence of as-yet-unseen black holes, gain insights into the nature of enigmatic quasars, exploding suns and galaxies with ''active'' centers that send out torrents of energy.

The astronauts also plan to teach an astronomy lesson from space that will be beamed into classrooms on Earth and to chat with ''ham'' radio operators around the world as time permits, including the Soviet cosmonauts aboard the Mir space station.

Columbia is scheduled to land at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., to close out a nine-day, 21-hour and 57-minute mission.

The shuttle originally was scheduled for blastoff May 30 but the flight was grounded the night before when sensors detected explosive hydrogen gas spewing into the ship's engine room.

NASA managers initially suspected the sole cause of the leakage was damaged seals inside a massive 17-inch-wide fuel line fitting that subsequently was replaced with one borrowed from the new shuttle Endeavour.

After a second launch delay because of electrical problems with the X-ray telescope, another leak was discovered the night before a Sept. 6 launch try.

Three suspect fuel pumps were replaced before engineers discovered a partially crushed seal in a valve leading to main engine No. 3. The $250 seal was replaced, but Columbia's fourth launch attempt ended in failure when still more leaking hydrogen blocked a Sept. 18 liftoff.

Finally, after replacing yet another damaged valve seal and tightening virtually every fuel line fitting in the shuttle's engine room, Columbia passed a leak test last month to set the stage for launch.

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(DEC. 1) UPI - Iraq has accepted President Bush's call for talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. The official news agency I-N-A says the ruling Revolutionary Command Council accepted the offer. But it said it wants in-depth talks, NOT just formal meetings as a pretext for U-S aggression. Amman Radio says Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz is expected to fly to Washington and U-S Secretary of State James Baker is expected to go to Iraq to conduct the talks.

The parliaments of the three rebellious Soviet Baltic republics met jointly today to decide how to act against Moscow. All three states passed declarations of independence earlier this year.

The countdown is still going smoothly for the shuttle Columbia. The launch, delayed for six months, is scheduled tomorrow morning. Late this afternoon, the shuttle's external tank will be fueled.

U-S officials have set a curfew for American troops and dependents at Clark Air Base in the Philippines. Talks begin next week on the future of the base. Communist rebels have attacked Americans during previous talks.

U-S officials say federal prisoners who need long-term medical care will now be sent to a leprosy center in Carville, Louisiana. The number of leprosy patients is declining and the center has many empty beds.

The Republican National Committee has narrowed the search for the site of the 1992 convention to three cities- Houston, New Orleans and San Diego. Cleveland and St. Petersburg, Florida, have been eliminated.

An Arab woman attacked Israeli police in East Jerusalem today and was killed.The police and witnesses say the woman stabbed a policeman in the hand and another in the back. Two policemen fired submachine guns and killed her.

The African nation of Mozambique ended 15 years of Marxist rule yesterday. A new constitution has been adopted to allow multi-party elections. National elections are expected to be held next summer.

Ruth Washington, the publisher of what was once the nation's second largest black newspaper, died at age 76 in Los Angeles yesterday. She had published the Los Angeles Sentinel since 1974 when her husband died.

A survey of 150 U-S manufacturers shows American industry is losing the race to open world markets. The survey by Coopers and Lybrand concludes that hundreds of thousands of U-S jobs may be lost if globalization is NOT stepped up.

A poll by Decision Research shows half of all Americans are so concerned about the economy they fear a repeat of the Great Depression is possible. 40 percent of those polled consider economic issues their greatest worry.

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(DEC. 1) UPI - Iraq's news agency says Iraq has accepted President Bush's proposal for face-to-face talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush offered to send Secretary of State James Baker to Iraq. Bush said he will accept NOthing less than Iraq's complete withdrawal from Kuwait. Iraq today asked for a ''serious and deep dialogue.''

British and French construction workers cleared soil between the two sections of the English Channel tunnel today and shook hands. For the first time since an ice age eight-thousand years ago it is now possible to walk from England to France.The tunnel- dubbed the ''Chunnel''- will be finished in two and a half years.

Israeli planes attacked guerrilla bases in the Bekaa Valley of Lebanon today. An Israeli spokesman says the targets were used by the Peoples Liberation Front to launch terrorist targets in Israel. Two weeks ago a group from the front was involved in a clash with Israeli forces in Israel's ''security zone.''

Doctors are waiting for results of a battery of emergency room tests taken yesterday on actor Burt Lancaster. The 77-year-old actor was hospitalized after a fainting spell and is reported in serious condition. Lancaster won the best-actor Oscar for playing a fiery preacher in ''Elmer Gantry.

Author Norman Cousins, for 35 years the editor of the Saturday Review, is dead at age 75. Cousins suffered a heart attack and died yesterday in Los Angeles. He was winner of the 1990 Albert Schweitzer Prize for Humanitarianism.

North and South Korean officials met again today and still could NOT reach an agreement on improving relations. North Korea insists that a NON-aggression declaration be signed first. The South wants it discussed after the treaty is signed. A Seoul official says Northern officials brought up ''irrelevant issues.''

Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady says reforming the depod nur

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HIGHWOOD, IL (DEC. 1) UPI - Army enlistments have not met expectations since troops began heading to Saudi Arabia and a $2,000 sign-up bonus is helping military officials at Fort Sheridan lure new recruits.

Lt. Col. Alex Angelle, spokesman for the Army Recruiting Command Headquarters at Fort Sheridan north of Chicago, told the Chicago Tribune Saturday the bait

seems to be working.

''Early indications are that people are biting for this bonus,'' Angelle said.

The Army is offering the cash to recruits who sign up for combat jobs before the end of February.

In the past three months, which have seen a massive buildup of U.S. military troops in the Persian Gulf because of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, Army recruiters fell more than 5,000 new enlistees short of their goal of 25,000, Army officials said.

In October the Army offered a $1,000 bonus to new recruits but when enlistments were almost 2,000 short of goal for that month, officials decided to up the ante.

Angelle said so far 600 recruits have been paid the $2,000 bonus to sign up for the combat areas of infantry, artillery and tanks. Battle statistics indicate these areas would suffer 85 percent of the casualties in a war.

The Navy has reported an 11 percent decline in enlistments in the past three months but is offering no bonus package. The Air Force and Marines are reportedly meeting their enlistment goals.

Fort Sheridan establishes monthly goals for recruiting and distributes them to hundreds of individual recruiting stations nationwide, including 20 in Chicago.

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SAN DIEGO (UPI) - After a final round of hugs, kisses and tears from loved ones, a Marine brigade and 6,000 sailors set sail from two Southern California ports Saturday for the uncertain waters of the Middle East.

The largest Marine amphibious task force formed since 1965 steamed out of San Diego Bay and Long Beach aboard 13 ships for a voyage that will likely bring them to the troubled region shortly before a Jan. 15 United Nations deadline for an Iraqi withdrawl from Kuwait.

''Nobody got much sleep, we were up all night talking, having a few drinks, talking some more,'' said Becky Godoy, who traveled to the 32nd Street Naval Station in San Diego from Stockton to see her brother, Marine Staff Sgt. John Gonzales, sail off aboard the amphibious assault ship Tarawa.

''The kids don't really know what's going on,'' said Godoy. ''They just know their dad is going away.''

Gonzales and his fellow Marines were part of the 5th Marine Expeditionary

Brigade, an amphibious force that includes 90 aircraft and a number of reserve units recently called to active duty at Camp Pendleton.

Their exact mission once they arrive in the Middle East is not known, but it is expected they would join the numerous other Pendleton leathernecks already dug into the Saudi Arabian desert.

''Our first mission is getting their safely, so we'll concentrate on that for now,'' said Adm. Stephen S. Clarey, the commander of the task force.

An air of uncertainty prevailed on the pier where the Tarawa, Clarey's flagship, was docked.

Most of the family members did not fear the worst, but were nervously aware their men were not off on an ordinary patrol.

''He's prepared to go, but its the unknown that makes you worry,'' said Cheryl Walker, whose son, Petty Officer Michael Walker, left on his second cruise. ''Last year's (deployment) was just a lot of different ports to visit.''

Walker said her son-in-law would sail for the Middle East from San Diego Dec. 8 aboard a cruiser.

As the 10 San Diego ships slipped out of 32nd Street one-by-one, the gloom around the Tarawa began to give way to a more electric atmosphere.

Hands were shaken, prayers said and there was a final round of hugs.

Gunnery Sgt. Oscar Paz, a brawny veteran with graying hair, posed for a family portrait, wiped a tear away and strode purposefully to the ship.

A Marine on the main deck of the Tarawa waved a Mexican flag and others applauded at some of the more passionate embraces on the pier.

At the end of the pier, a kilted bagpiper serenaded each ship as it passed by while retired Navy man Dave Graham used a pair of signal flags to send the message, ''Permission granted to kick Hussein's ass out of Kuwait and return home. Merry Christmas.''

An unseen crewman aboard the USS Barbour County winked back with a signal light, ''Thanks for the enq naa ..

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(DEC. 1) UPI - Iraq agreed today to President Bush's call for urgent face-to-face talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush said he would send Secretary of State James Baker to Iraq and invited Iraqi Foreign Secretary

Tariq Azia to visit Washington. Iraq said it wants in-depth talks, NOT just formal meetings aimed at satisfying U-S opinion.

Both the United States and the Soviet Union have manned space launches set within the next 24 hours. The shuttle Columbia and its seven-man crew are to go into space from Cape Canaveral. A Soviet Soyuz is to be launched from Asia with three people. Two people already are in speace on a Soviet Mir station. If all goes well, a record 12 people will be in space tomorrow.

U-S officials, fearful of communist attacks, have imposed travel restrictions on the 20-thousand Americans at Clark Air Base in the Philippines. An overnight curfew was ordered. Travel out of the area is restricted to the Manila airport and a mountain recreation center. Talks on the future of U-S bases in the Philippines resume next week. In the past, Communist rebels have attacked Americans during these negotiations.

Panamanian President Guillermo Endara says has government has copies of the taped phone conversations of Manuel Noriega. He confirmed a report by his foreign minister that Panama has the tapes. Noriega's lawyer says because of the tapes Noriega can NOT get a fair trial. He has asked that U-S drug charges against the former Panamanian military rule be dismissed.

New York law enforcement officers have told five prominent people their names were on a list kept by El Sayyd Nosair, the accused killer of militant Rabbi Meir Kahane. Representative Gary Ackerman is one person on the list. He says most of those on the list were involved in the extradition of a terrorist suspect from venezuela. A New York newspaper quotes officers as saying the list strengthens a theory that Kahane was killed as part of a conspiracy.

A year ago, a record freeze hit the Northeast and caused prices of heating oil to hit all-time highs. Meteorologist Jon Davis correctly forecast the freeze. This year he says December will be milder. Cold air is expected in the Northeast next week, but it will NOT last as long. However heating oil prices are high because of the embargo against Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil.

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PARIS (DEC. 1) UPI - Chad's President Hissein Habre and most government officials fled the African nation's capital in the face of a rebel advance, French officials said Saturday, adding the country's legislative leader was trying to negotiate with Libyan-backed rebels.

France meanwhile prepared Saturday to evacuate its citizens and increase its military presence in its former colony in central Africa, the Defense Ministry said. Government sources said President Francois Mitterrand planned to meet with military advisers soon to discuss the situation.

Sporadic gunfire was heard in the capital Ndjamena Friday night, but French officials and the Chadian Embassy in Paris said the situation was calmer Saturday afternoon. Reports from Ndjamena said Chadian troops were nowhere to be seen and sporadic looting of some houses in the European quarter had begun.

Habre vanished from Ndjamena after government troops suffered another defeat at the hands of Libyan-armed rebel forces led by his former chief-of-staff, Idriss Deby, diplomatic sources said Saturday.

Diplomatic sources in Ndjamena said many Chadian leaders fled the capital overnight with their families, apparently heading for neighboring Cameroon.

National Assembly President Jean Alingue was the only figure of authority left in the capital. The French Foreign Ministry said Alingue ''has demonstrated publicly his will to seek with Idriss Deby 'a solution acceptable to everyone.' He also appealed to France to contribute to the return to social peace.''

French government spokesman Hubert Vedrine said Paris had made contact with Alingue in the absense of Habre. Vedrine confirmed Habre left Ndjamena sometime Friday night or Saturday morning, but did not say where he went.

Some Paris diplomatic sources said Habre may have fled to Cameroon, but other sources said he may have taken personal command of all available troops in the city to launch a last-ditch counter-offensive against rebels

Deby has inflicted a series of defeats on Habre's French-trained forces in a two-week campaign that began near the Sudanese frontier.

Habre last week left the capital and went to the battlefront to direct personally a counter-offensive against the rebels. But his presence failed to stop defeats suffered by government troops who took heavy casualties.

The rebels were reported to be at the towns of Ati and Mongo, some 240 miles from the capital after capturing the regional eastern capital of Abeche and defeating government troops again at Oum Hadjer.

France said Friday its troops based at Abeche did not get involved during the rebel capture of the city, and a government statement said, ''The mission of the French forces is not to intervene in the clashes between Chadians.''

More than 1,000 French troops have been based present in Chad under treaties with the former French colony, including French Foreign Legionnaires at Abeche and Ndjamena.

The French government said Saturday it would pull a company of Foreign Leagionaires from Abeche and send it to the Chadian capital, as well as sending two additional companies of Foreign Legionnaires to Ndjamena from

Corsica and the Central African Republic.

The Chadian Embassy in Paris has advised foreigners to leave Chad and French Foreign Legion troops based at Ndjamena have taken up positions around the French Embassy.

In Paris, government spokesman Vedrine said France has taken ''all measures necessary to assure the grouping and protection of French and foreign citizens in Chad, given the evolution of the situation in the country.''

A French aircraft left Paris Saturday to collect French citizens from Chad and two others were scheduled to leave Saturday night and Sunday morning.

French-backed Chadian forces defeated Libyan-backed rebels in 1987 after an offensive was launched from southern Libya in February 1986.

Libya recently suspended talks with Chad aimed at resolving their long-running territorial dispute over the Aouzou Strip, a mineral-rich region of northern Chad.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 2) UPI - President Bush conferred with his top military advisers at Camp David Saturday, reacting cautiously to a conditional Iraqi acceptance of his offer to talk over the Persian Gulf crisis.

Informed of word from Baghdad that Saddam Hussein had quickly accepted Bush's offer to talk, but with the condition that the Arab- Israeli conflict be included, White House officials stressed they had received no official response from Saddam. ''We are aware of the public comments but are still awaiting the official communication,'' a spokeswoman said.

The response came to Bush's surprise offer Friday to meet in Washington with the Iraqi foreign minister and to dispatch Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad to meet with the Iraqi president.

But the answer from Iraq, which has long called for high-level talks with the United States, was analyzed at length by top administration officials at the Camp David presidential retreat, where Bush conferred for more than two hours with Baker, Vice President Dan Quayle, Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney, the Joint chiefs of Staff and others, aides said.

Additionally, shortly before the high-level session in the Cactoctin Mountains outside Washington, Quayle came out firmly against the Iraqi demand that the PLO question be included in the talks but said, ''The meetings will hopefully take place.''

Speaking on CNN's ''Evans and Novak'' program, Quayle said, ''Make no mistake about it, we are there to talk about the U.N. resolutions. It is not a negotiation.

''... Palestine is not an issue on the table,'' Quayle said. ''We are not going to link Palestine up to the situation in Kuwait.''

The U.S. stand is not a new one, however, and it remained unclear to administration officials whether Saddam's insistence on the matter would derail any chance the high-level, face-to-face talks would take place.

Throughout the 4-month-old standoff in the gulf, the administration has refused to link Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait with the debate over the future status of the Israeli-occupied territories in the West Bank and Gaza strip. Saddam has been trying to establish a quid pro quo between Kuwait and an Israeli withdrawal from Arab land.

Otherwise, the Camp David conference was the first meeting of top military officials since Bush won authorization from the United Nations this week for the use of force to oust Saddam if he has not relinguished Kuwait by Jan. 15.

The president's deputy national security adviser, Robert Gates, however, told another CNN program Saturday that the meeting was routine and ''not some sort of council of war.''

But Gates acknowledged that the question of U.S. military preparations would be discussed in light of the new Jan. 15 deadline. And asked if the United States would be ready to take action at that point, he said, ''That's what we've told told, yes.''

Speaking on the same CNN program, Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., said Bush made the offer to win the votes of U.N. Security Council who backed the force resolution. ''They were saying to him part of the price for us to vote for this is some kind of meeting with Saddam Hussein, face to face between American officials and him before we actually exercise the war option,'' Aspin chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, told CNN.

The session also enabled Bush, who departs Sunday evening for a weeklong trip to South America, to weigh the generally positive fallout from his dramatic offer Friday to confer for the first time with the Iraqis as a possible final way to avoid war.

In a nationally televised address, greeted mostly with enthusiasm even from critics on Capitol Hill, Bush proposed that Saddam meet in Baghdad with Baker between Dec. 15 and the U.N. deadline for Iraq to pullout of Kuwait.

The president also invited Iraq's foreign minister, Tariq Aziz, to Washington to talk with him the week of Dec. 10.

''Within the mandate of the United Nations resolutions,'' Bush said he ''will be prepared ... to discuss all aspects of the gulf crisis.''

''However,'' he added, ''I am not suggesting discussions that will result in anything less than Iraq's complete withdrawal from Kuwait, restoration of Kuwait's legitimate government and freedom for all (Western) hostages.''

The president's aides continued to stress Saturday that Bush would make no deals and that the meetings were meant only to ensure that Saddam realizes the extent of the U.S. resolve, and that no major diplomatic breakthroughs were really expected.

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(DEC. 1) UPI - The ruling Revolutionary Command Council in Iraq gave a conditional acceptance today to the proposal by President Bush for face-to-face talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. As the acceptance was announced tens of thousands of Iraqis took to the streets in cities across their nation in anti-American demonstrations organized by the government. Iraq accepted the proposed discussions but insisted that the Arab-Israeli dispute be included in the talks.

President Bush proposed the negotiations yesterday. He invited Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to Washington some time in the week of December 10th and said he will send Secetary of State Baker to Baghdad some time between December 15th and January 15th.

The Syrian defense minister says his country is ready to dispatch 500-thousand more troops to defend Persian Gulf Arab states against Iraqi aggression. He said in an interview with an Abu Dhabi-based newspaper that he still hopes, however, that Iraqi forces will withdraw from Kuwait and avoid a war. Syria, Egypt and Morocco already have troops in the U-S-led multi-national force in the Persian Gulf.

Two construction workers- one English, the other French- shook hands and embraced today beneath the English Channel. The two broke through the 31-mile tunnel that links England to the continent for the first time since the Ice Age. The workers first shook hands through an 11-inch hole that marked the joining of the English and French workers who each began digging on their own sides of the channel.

Children from New York City day-care centers are gathering today for a memorial service that will culminate in the unveiling of a quilt that the youngster made as a symbol of comfort for AIDS-infected children and mothers. Organizers of the third annual World AIDS Day say the various ceremonies planned will try to call attention to the upsurge in AIDS among women. The

World Health Organization says about three-Million women are infected with the virus and that number may double by the end of this decade.

A bank regulator compared the so-called ''Keating Five'' senators to vampires yesterday in testimony before the Senate ethics committee. Michael Patriarca told the senators that a key 1987 meeting involving all five senators featured a sort of ''dressing down'' of regulators. But he said that when the senators were told that criminal charges would be sought against an S-and-L kingpin who was a major political contributor, it was like- quoting now- ''throwing holy water on a vampire.''

A Los Angeles Superior Court judge is to rule later on a civil suit involving pop singer Madonna and her neighbor in the Hollywood Hills. The singer failed to appear as ordered in a courtroom yesterday, possibly because of death threats against her. A court spokeswoman said that sheriff's deputies told her that Madonna's attorneys told authorities of the threats. The neighbor claims Madonna's trees and shrubs are blocking his view of the city. Madonna counter-sued, and her testimony was given by deposition yesterday.

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VATICAN CITY (DEC. 1) UPI - Cardinal Agostino Casaroli, main architect of the Holy See's successful East European policy for almost 30 years, retired as the Vatican's Secretary of State Saturday and handed over the key post to the man he trained for it.

Casaroli, 76, had tendered his resignation to Pope John Paul II a year ago, when he turned 75, the age at which Roman Catholic prelates are required to resign. But the pope waited a year before accepting the resignation of the top aide he called ''so wise and expert.''

In the intervening year, the Holy See has restored diplomatic relations with Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Romania - the pope's native Poland restored relations in July 1989 - and established ''permanent contacts'' with the Soviet Union at ambassador level.

The pope also has met twice in the Vatican with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev - the first historic meeting on Dec. 1, 1989 and the second encounter last Nov. 18.

Major credit for all these events was given to Cardinal Casaroli, who masterminded Vatican relations with the former Communist states since the early 1960s. He had been Secretary of State, the pope's No. 2 man, since John Paul appointed him to the post July 1, 1979.

As Casaroli's successor, the pope appointed Italian Archbishop Angelo Sodano, 63, a veteran Vatican career diplomat with wide experience in Latin America

and Eastern Europe, who has been Secretary of the Council for the Public Affairs of the Church - in effect the Vatican's foreign minister - since June 1988.

In that and other Vatican posts, Sodano has worked closely with Casaroli for years. Because he is not yet a cardinal, Archbishop Sodano will have the title of ''Pro-Secretary of State.''

In place of Sodano as ''foreign minister'' the pope appointed Monsignor Jean-Louis Tauran, 47, born in Bordeaux, France, who served as a member of the Council for Public Affairs from 1983 to 1988.

The handover of the key posts took place in a formal ceremony attended by about 160 officials of the State Secretariat in the Vatican's Consistory Hall, with the pope in white robes presiding.

In reference to Casaroli, John Paul expressed his sentiments of ''emotion'' for ''the person whom Divine Providence, Christ the Good Shepherd, placed in my path.''

The retirement of the cordial, bespectacled Casaroli marked the end of an era in the Vatican which spanned almost the whole reign of John Paul II, who was elected head of the Roman Catholic Church in October, 1978.

But Casaroli had served as a ''traveler'' for three popes - John XXIII, Paul VI and John Paul II - and became almost a legendary figure in international diplomacy.

The last major diplomatic function at which Casaroli headed the Vatican delegation was the recent Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe in Paris, which drew up a charter for the new Europe of the post-Cold War era.

During that conference, Casaroli recalled he was the only person present who also signed the original Helsinki declaration in 1975.

Casaroli became the first Vatican representative to visit Moscow in 1971, when he signed the nuclear non-proliferation treaty for the Vatican. In June 1988, he returned to Moscow for celebrations marking the 1,000th anniversary of Christianity in Russia and met Gorbachev in the Kremlin.

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(DEC. 2) UPI - DIGEST:

Bobsledding

German Dirk Wiese finished first in the third World Cup run Saturday,

hisfour-man crew clocking 1:51.31, ahead of Italian Pasquale Gesuito and second-place German Wolfgang Hoppe, the Olympic champion. Austrian Ingo Appelt finishing fourth, took over the World Cup lead with 81 points.

Golf

Dick Smith of Williamstown, N.J., was elected 27th president of the PGA of America at the association's 74th annual meeting. Smith, 48, is head pro at Woodcrest Country Club in Cherry Hill, N.J. ... American Tim Simpson held a $60,000 lead after the front nine of the $360,000 Nashua Skins tournament in South Africa with $280,000 left to be won on the back nine Sunday. This is the final year of international participation in the tournaments sponsored by the casino-hotel group Sun International following an agreement with South Africa's main anti-apartheid sports body. Sun officials agreed to adhere after next week's $2.5 million tournament to the international sports boycott imposed to pressure the white minority government to abandon apartheid. ...

Naomichi Ozaki fired an 8-under-par 64 Saturday to share the four- stroke lead with veteran Tsuneyuki Nakajima after three rounds of the $465,000 Japan Series tournament in Tokyo. Ozaki, who had seventh, posted four birdies against a bogey on the front nine and added five birdies in a bogey-free back nine. American David Ishii carded a 70 to tie for fourth place.

Legal

After German magazine Stern accused former East German athletes of using banned substances, another magazine, Der Spiegel, is claiming former West german athletes also used steroids to produce better performances. In it's newest issue, Der Spiegel lists prominent names and track and field club SC Eintracht Hamm. In a first reaction, also issued by Der Spiegel, a spokesman of the National Track and Field Association's (DLV) main sponsor, Mercedes Benz, called for a quick investigation.

Skiing

Austrian Petra Kronberger won the season's opening World Cup giant slalom race with a total of 2 minutes 27.92 over the two legs at Valzoldana, Italy. Second was Vreni Schneider of Switzerland and surprise third was Pernilla Wiberg of Sweden.

Ski Jumping

Andi Felder of Austria put together jumps of 87 and 85 meters Saturday at Lake Placid, N.Y., to hold off Finland's Ari-Pekka Nikkola and win the opening normal hill (70-meter) World Cup ski jumping meet of the season by eight-tenths of a point. Warm temperatures at midweek reduced the snow cover on the large hill (90-meter) landing area and the event was switched from Saturday to Sunday.

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#90335u0729 12/01/1990 ~United Press International
MONTREAL (DEC. 2) UPI - Three gunmen wielding machine guns stole a $13 million shipment of gold and other valuables from a twin-engine plane that had just landed early Saturday, police said.

The trio did not fire the machine guns they carried and no one was hurt in the robbery, which Montreal police spokesman Constable Robert Quezel said was the largest he had seen in 23 years with the force.

Quezel said the robbery occurred shortly after a Jet All twin-engine plane landed at Dorval International Airport at 3:50 a.m., carrying a shipment of gold and silver ingots, jewelry and securities worth $13 million.

The spokesman said the bandits used a garbage truck to smash through a fence and make their way onto the tarmac. They blocked the taxiing plane and ordered the three people aboard - two pilots and a security guard - to stand still and not radio for help.

The trio then unloaded the gold bars and other items before speeding off in two vehicles.

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Bush proposed the direct meetings yesterday. The Iraq News Agency carried a statement from the ruling body, saying the conditional acceptance matched an Iraqi desire for what it termed ''serious and deep dialogue.'' At the same time, tens of thousands of Iraqis took to the streets of cities across the nation in government-organized anti- American demonstrations.

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#90335u0759 12/01/1990 ~United Press International

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President Bush proposed the negotiations yesterday. He invited Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to Washington some time in the week of December 10th and said he will send Secetary of State Baker to Baghdad some time between December 15th and January 15th.

The Syrian defense minister says his country is ready to dispatch 500-thousand more troops to defend Persian Gulf Arab states against Iraqi aggression. He said in an interview with an Abu Dhabi-based newspaper that he still hopes, however, that Iraqi forces will withdraw from Kuwait and avoid a war. Syria, Egypt and Morocco already have troops in the U-S-led multi-national force in the Persian Gulf.

Two construction workers- one English, the other French- shook hands and embraced today beneath the English Channel. The two broke through the 31-mile tunnel that links England to the continent for the first time since the Ice Age. The workers first shook hands through an 11-inch hole that marked the joining of the English and French workers who each began digging on their own

sides of the channel.

Children from New York City day-care centers are gathering today for a memorial service that will culminate in the unveiling of a quilt that the youngster made as a symbol of comfort for AIDS-infected children and mothers. Organizers of the third annual World AIDS Day say the various ceremonies planned will try to call attention to the upsurge in AIDS among women. The World Health Organization says about three-Million women are infected with the virus and that number may double by the end of this decade.

A bank regulator compared the so-called ''Keating Five'' senators to vampires yesterday in testimony before the Senate ethics committee. Michael Patriarca told the senators that a key 1987 meeting involving all five senators featured a sort of ''dressing down'' of regulators. But he said that when the senators were told that criminal charges would be sought against an S-and-L kingpin who was a major political contributor, it was like- quoting now- ''throwing holy water on a vampire.''

A Los Angeles Superior Court judge is to rule later on a civil suit involving pop singer Madonna and her neighbor in the Hollywood Hills. The singer failed to appear as ordered in a courtroom yesterday, possibly because of death threats against her. A court spokeswoman said that sheriff's deputies told her that Madonna's attorneys told authorities of the threats. The neighbor claims Madonna's trees and shrubs are blocking his view of the city. Madonna counter-sued, and her testimony was given by deposition yesterday.

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#90335u0986 12/01/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 1) UPI - The White House says it still has NO official word on the Iraqi acceptance of face-to-face talks on the Persian Gulf crisis, as proposed yesterday by President Bush. A spokeswoman says Bush is aware of reports of the Iraqi acceptance- with conditions- but is awaiting a formal communication.

The official Iraq News Agency reported that the ruling Revolutionary Command Council issued a statement accepting the talks but insisting that the Arab-Israeli dispute also be taken up. The statement came as tens of thousands of Iraqis took to the streets in cities across the nation in government-organized anti-American demonstrations.

The Syrian defense minister says his nation is prepared to move 500- thousand more troops into the Persian Gulf region to protect Arab states from Iraqi aggression. Syria, Egypt and Morocco already have contributed troops to the U-S-led multi-national force in the area.

The big rotating gantry has been moved away from the shuttle Columbia and its booster rockets on Launch Pad 39-B at Cape Canaveral, where technicians will pump fuel aboard the ship later today. The ship was cleared today for a fiery pre-dawn launch tomorrow on a 10-day astronomy mission that has been delayed for six months by fuel-leak problems.

Japanese broadcaster Toyohiro Akiyamo waved off fears about going into space today at a news conference with the two cosmonauts he will accompany on a Soviet space mission tomorrow. The 3:13 a-m, E-S-T, blast-off will make Akiyamo the first journalist in space, on a flight that is costing Japan at least 10- Million dollars.

A White House spokeswoman says maintenance men stripping paint from a window at the Executive Mansion caused a tiny fire that was quickly extinguished this morning. She said the small fire occurred during work on the exterior of a window of the president's private study in the West Wing. President and Mrs. Bush were NOT in the White House at the time because they are spending the weekend at the Camp David mountain retreat in Maryland.

Israeli authorities are blaming the ultra-right-wing Kach movement for threats and arson fires designed to get Israeli businessmen to get rid of all their Arab employees. They say the group is trying to exploit fears triggered by a series of stabbing attacks on Jews in recent weeks.

The Cable News Network has lost its bid to have U-S District Judge William Hoeveler disqualified from hearing contempt charges against the network by deposed Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega . Chief U-S District Judge James Lawrence King dismissed C-N-N's motion yesterday in Miami.

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#90335u1078 12/01/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 2) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

Baltimore - Named Gary Nickels director of scouting.

Chicago (AL) - Named Ed Farmer special assistant to the senior vice-president/major league scout.

Kansas City - Signed free agent outfielder Kirk Gibson to 2-year contract.

Football

New England - Activated wide receiver Michael Timpson and offensive lineman David Vianne from injured reserve and wide receiver Hart Lee Dykes from

non-football injury list; placed wide receiver Sammy Martin and defensive end Garin Veris on injured reserve.

NY Jets - Placed cornerback John Booty on injured reserve; activated linebacker Mac Stephens from practice squad.

Golf

PGA of America - Elected Dick Smith president.

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#90335u1113 12/01/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 2) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE U.S.A.:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	58	28	....
Anchorage cy	--07	-17	....
Asheville mc	60	20	....
Atlanta cy	62	32	....
Baltimore cy	57	25	....
Billings pc	38	20	....
Birmingham mc	66	32	....
Bismarck sn	32	04	....
Boston pc	55	32	....
Brownsville pc	82	55	....
Buffalo pc	49	37	....
Burlingtn Vt. pc	45	33	....
Charlestn S.C. pc	67	41	....
Charlotte mc	62	29	....
Chicago sy	48	38	....
Cincinnati r	54	34	....
Cleveland cy	49	32	....
Columbus Ohi cy	52	29	....
Dallas mc	70	46	....
Denver w	40	21	....
Des Moines cy	48	35	....
Detroit mc	45	36	....
Duluth pc	26	12	....
El Paso pc	66	35	....
Evansville cy	57	36	.29
Fargo cy	28	12	....
Hartford pc	53	25	....
Honolulu sy	85	74	....
Houston mc	72	46	....
Indianapolis cy	50	34	.03
Jacksn Mss. mc	71	32	....
Jacksonville pc	74	47	....

Kansas City cy	49	34	....
Las Vegas sy	61	32	....
Little Rock cy	58	38	....
Los Angeles st	74	48	....
Louisville r	58	37	....
Memphis cy	62	33	....
Miami Beach pc	76	71	....
Milwaukee sy	48	37	....
Minneapolis cy	36	21	....
Nashville cy	62	37	....
New Orleans pc	71	53	....
New York pc	53	36	....
Oklahom Cty pc	58	40	....
Omaha cy	46	33	....
Orlando pc	76	59	....
Philadelphia pc	53	31	....
Phoenix sy	73	47	....
Pittsburgh mc	54	27	....
Portland Me. pc	46	24	....
Portland Ore. pc	45	39	.44
Providence pc	54	25	....
Richmond cy	62	30	....
St. Louis cy	53	46	....
Salt Lake Cty sn	42	22	....
San Antonio sy	63	34	....
San Diego sy	68	46	....
San Francisc sy	63	44	....
San Juan pc	85	75	.03
Seattle mc	45	33	.61
Spokane pc	34	29	.11
Tampa pc	79	53	....
Washington cy	56	33	....
Wichita pc	53	37	....

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

mc-mostly cloudy

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

-30- 2720
#90335u1140 12/01/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 2) UPI - A jury weighing the fate of two youths accused of gang raping and beating a woman jogger reheard testimony Saturday about attacks on other victims at the start of the roving crime spree in Central Park.

Apparently trying to piece together the sequence of violence in the moonlit park April 19, 1989, the jury asked for a map of the park and to rehear the testimony of two of the first victims of the 'wilding' rampage.

Kharey Wise, 18, and Kevin Richardson, 16, are accused of being part of a gang of up to 30 youths that roamed through the moonlit park, randomly attacking anyone in their path on April 19, 1989.

The jury wound up its deliberations Saturday at 6:45 p.m. EST and was to resume Sunday at 9:30 a.m. EST, viewing the videotaped confession of Richardson.

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#90335u1626 12/01/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 1) UPI - Syria's defense minister says Damascus is willing to send an additional 500-thousand troops to add to its four-thousand troops already in the Persian Gulf. The deployment would make Syria's armies the largest Arab contingent in the region.

In Cairo, Egypt's foreign minister welcomed President Bush's proposal for talks between Washington and Baghdad. The minister says he hopes the talks

will- quote- ''avert the catastrophe that would face the region if war erupted.''

The F-B-I says it arrested a Florida man charged with helping a Colombian drug cartel smuggle tons of cocaine into the United States. Agents say Michael Munday was caught in Virginia last night after four years as a fugitive.

A joint session of three rebellious Baltic republics was largely boycotted by ethnic Russian deputies opposed to secession from the Soviet Union. But the some 30 Russian lawmakers who did attend today's assembly in Lithuania walked out to protest what they view as discrimination by Baltic nationalists.

Chinese Premier Li Peng closed a national economic planning conference today by pledging further reform of China's ailing economy. But Li warned the pace will be slow with an emphasis on central control.

A group of children is asking President Bush to bring a piece of scrap metal when he travels to Argentina next week. The kids previously asked former President Reagan to send a piece from a disabled missile for a peace monument in Buenos Aires. Reagan did NOT respond.

A Pacific storm spread rain and snow across the Northwest today, while frigid air dropped temperatures below freezing in the northern Plains. Temperatures were seasonable elsewhere in the nation.

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#90335u1739 12/01/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 1) UPI - President Bush is waiting for Iraq to deliver an official response to his offer to hold high-level talks in the hopes of averting war in the Persian Gulf. Iraq's official news agency today announced Baghdad had agreed to the talks, but wants to include the Arab-Israeli dispute in the discussion. A spokeswoman said the White House is aware of the- quote- ''public comments but is still awaiting the official communication.''

A broadcaster dismissed any fears about his upcoming trip in space by saying life is also dangerous on the streets. Toyohiro Akiyamo is preparing to become NOT only the first journalist to fly in space but the first Japanese. Akiyamo will join two Soviet cosmonauts in an eight-day mission that will begin early tomorrow with the launch of a Soyuz spaceship from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in the Soviet Union.

At Cape Canaveral, NASA is keeping an eye on the weather as it readies the shuttle Columbia for launch before dawn tomorrow. Forecasters say there is a 70 percent chance the weather will delay the 10-day astronomy mission grounded since May due to fuel leaks. When launched, Columbia will carry seven astronauts and a 150-Million- dollar cargo of telescopes.

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#90336d1350 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT, Germany (DEC. 2) - Eastern German railway workers have backed their union's call to halt further strike action, after a two-day stoppage that hit the eastern network last week, the GdED trade union announced Sunday.

The union had made the recommendation after negotiations Wednesday with the Reichsbahn, the state-owned rail corporation of former East Germany.

Its package required at least the support of at least 25 per cent of the Reichsbahn's workforce of 260,000. On Sunday, the GdED said 45 per cent voted in favour in a 24-hour ballot.

The strike was called to press for job guarantees and pay increases to enable east German railworkers earn at least half of their west German counterparts, who are employees of the Deutsche Bundesbahn.

In the event, the government and union agreed on a three-hour reduction in working time, to 40 hours a week, plus extra holiday time, vacation bonuses and child allowances.

But the government made no concession on the two key demands. The two sides agreed to discuss them in the first quarter of next year.

More than a quarter of the Reichsbahn's payroll faces unemployment under the government's plan to rebuild the crumbling network.

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#90336d1380 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 2) - A peace rally arranged by Japanese legal scholar Antonio Inoki opened here Sunday with the participation of sports and artistic delegations from six countries, including the United states, organizers said.

The gathering is to demonstrate "solidarity" with the people of Iraq,

currently living under an international trade embargo because of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, according to one organizer.

Participants from Japan, the United States, Mexico, Brazil, South Korea and India will participate in football, basketball, volley ball, judo and karate competitions.

There will also be dance and music performances.

Another meeting, entitled "a Christian congress for peace," is set to open here Monday attended by Nobel peace laureate Mother Teresa and a representative of Pope John Paul II, according to the Iraqi News Agency.

The three-day congress has been called by the church in Iraq, which includes some 300,000 Chaldean Catholics.

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#90336d1390 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 2) - The Iraqi government Sunday lashed out at Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze for what it called ''provocative'' remarks on the status of Soviet nationals working in Iraq.

Shevardnadze, in an interview with the Soviet news agency Tass Friday, said Soviet troops would join a military operation against Iraq if the lives or safety of Soviet citizens were in danger.

''We are very much surprised by the provocative statements made by Mr. Shevardnadze as carried by news agencies, especially his remark that the Soviet Union will send forces to the Gulf if Soviet citizens were hurt,'' an Iraqi Foreign Ministry spokesman said in a statement to the Iraqi News Agency (Ina).

Rejecting the Soviet foreign minister's remarks as ''baseless,'' the spokesman accused Shevardnadze of seeking to find a pretext to send Soviet troops to the Gulf region ''without discussing (this matter) with the Supreme Soviet Presidium which had previously criticised similar statements by Mr. Shevardnadze.''

The spokesman warned the Soviet Union that it would lose the friendship of 200 million Arabs if it acted beyond the limits it had reached so far.

Despite Iraq's reservations about the attitudes of Soviet officials toward the Gulf crisis, Iraqi officials or nationals did not maltreat any Soviet citizen working in Iraq under existing contracts between the two countries, the spokesman said.

He said Soviet citizens who had completed their contracts were allowed to leave Iraq, adding that thousands of them had already left.

The Soviet Union last week expressed ''serious concern'' over the fate of an estimated 3,300 Soviet citizens living in Iraq who wanted to return home but were not being allowed to do so.

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#90336d1410 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 2) - An airplane charted by the Belgian Red Cross left here Sunday for Brussels carrying 51 passengers, including 24 Belgians released by Iraqi authorities, airport sources reported.

But they were unable to say if former hostages of other nationalites were also aboard the Boeing 737, which delivered eight tons of medicine from Belgium on its arrival here.

The Iraqi parliament, acting on a request from President Saddam Hussein, last Thursday approved the release of Belgians held here against their will.

An estimated 3,500 Western and Japanese nationals are being held to deter an attack by U.S.-led forces that deployed in the Gulf following the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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#90336d1580 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (DEC. 2) - U.S. Energy Secretary James Watkins met here Sunday with the Saudi minister of petroleum and mineral wealth, Hisham Nazer, to discuss ways of boosting cooperation between their two countries in the energy field, it was reported here.

Watkins, who arrived Saturday, also discussed with Nazer the possibility of using U.S. technology in the modernisation of petroleum installations in the oil-rich kingdom, the Qatar News Agency said.

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#90336d1740 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NDJAMENA (DEC. 2) - Chadian rebel leader Idriss Deby arrived in a black Mercedes here Sunday, hours after the vanguard of his army took up position in front of the Hotel La Tchadienne.

Mr. Deby arrived in a convoy of some 20 Japanese jeeps carrying his supporters.

Some 100 dust-covered men aboard a dozen all-terrain vehicles painted in camouflage colors and filled with weapons and ammunition had earlier entered the capital.

There were no shouts nor acclamations as the rebel leader's convoy entered the city from the North and drove by the hotel where acting president Jean Alingue Bavoyeu, the speaker of the Chadian parliament, was waiting.

Mr. Deby instead headed for the Camp des Martyrs barracks in the city centre where his troops have been stationed after a lightning campaign which forced President Hissein Habre to flee the capital Saturday.

In a statement read on national radio Mr. Alingue appealed for calm and asked Ndjamena residents to stay at home.

The statement issued by the acting head of state amid rising insecurity in the capital warned that looters would be punished.

"Security forces of (Mr. Deby's) Patriotic Salvation Movement will be deployed to ensure a return to calm", the statement added.

Before Mr. Deby's arrival shots could be heard in the capital but military sources said they were meant to welcome Mr. Deby's troops.

A "welcoming committee" set up Saturday with the aid of the French military was disarming soldiers of the defeated government army.

Mr. Deby was a close aide to President Hissein Habre before he went underground in April last year after an aborted coup attempt.

-30- 1832

#90336d1830 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (DEC. 2) - A Soviet Aeroflot passenger plane was hijacked on Sunday on an internal flight but has landed in Leningrad, Finnish authorities said here Sunday.

It was not known if the hijack was over.

The Tupolev 154 with 120 passangers and a crew of seven was hijacked soon after it had left Murmansk in Northern Russia to Leningrad, the authorities said.

The hijacker had demanded to be flown over Finland to Sweden, but the plane landed later in Leningrad, they added.

Four Soviet airliners have been hijacked to Finland this year. Two hijackers have been sent back, one will be be handed over next week and the Soviet Union has also asked for the extradition of a fourth who seized a Soviet plane last month.

-30- 931
#90336d1850 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DHAKA (DEC. 2) - More than 40 people have died in nearly a month of anti-government violence, opposition sources said Sunday, after President Hussain Mohammad Ershad said he proclaimed a state of emergency to ensure the security of Bangladesh.

Three people died from wounds inflicted Saturday when troops opened fire in the Mirpur residential district, opposition sources said, adding that three others were also gunned down near Yusuf market.

Residents in the capital's Malibagh area recovered two bodies, sources said.

No independent confirmation of the deaths were available, but officially six deaths have been confirmed since the imposition of a state of emergency by Mr. Ershad on Tuesday.

In southern Khulna, four people had died in the previous 24 hours in clashes between demonstrators and security forces.

With the report of 13 fresh deaths, the toll since the campaign to oust Mr. Ershad began October 10 rose to 45, according to unofficial count.

Meanwhile, Mr. Ershad was quoted by national television late Saturday as saying at public rallies in the coastal towns of Tekerhat and Kalihati that the "spate of violence and arson since October 10 left me with no choice but to go for the emergency,"

Officials said the president, who seized power in a 1982 military coup, on Sunday held his first cabinet meeting since the state of emergency was proclaimed. The goal was to discuss the current situation. details of what transpired were not available.

Police announced through microphones that after the end of a 12-hour break, curfew was reimposed at 6 p.m. (1200 GMT) until further orders.

It was one of the calmest days in recent weeks, which have seen widepread violence and arson as workers, students, doctors and other professionals joined the anti-government campaign.

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#90336d1990 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRETORIA (DEC. 2) - Ten people, including the deputy mayor of strife-torn Khayelitsha black township near Cape Town, were killed in overnight violence, police said Sunday.

The unnamed deputy mayor's body was found with multiple stab wounds and his

firearm was missing, police said.

Five men were fatally wounded when two groups using firearms clashed at Table Mountain in war-torn Natal. Four houses were set alight, and later another body was found in the area, police said.

Nearly 5,000 people have died in Natal since 1986 when fighting broke out between supporters of Zulu leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Party and the socialist United Democratic Front.

The bodies of three men were found at Bekkersdal, near Krugersdorp, about 30 kilometres east of Johannesburg. One man had been hacked to death, another hacked and stabbed and a third stabbed to death in three separate incidents, police said.

Police in the area were also targets for stone- and petrol-bomb-throwers, police said adding that no casualties were reported.

Police arrested 25 unionists who planned to hand a petition to the department of manpower here on Saturday when they staged an illegal march, state-run radio said.

-30- 1419

#90336d2080 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (DEC. 2) - The Christian Democratic Union (CDU) of Chancellor Helmut Kohl won the German elections Sunday, according to an exit poll by ARD television channel

The CDU, together with its Bavarian branch, the Christian Social Union (CSU) won 44 per cent of the vote, the poll said. The result should allow Mr. Kohl to remain in power, in coalition with the Free Democratic Party (FPD) of German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, which picked up 11 per cent.

The polls, given by West German television stations, predicted that Kohl's Christian Democrats (CduCsu) had won about 44 per cent of the poll and their liberal Free Democrat coalition partners just over 11 per cent - enough comfortably to continue the coalition.

The main opposition Social Democrats led by Oskar Lafontaine were expected to win about 33 per cent of the poll. The Greens were predicted to get 5.5 per cent - just enough to regain parliamentary representation.

-30- 1142

#90336d2660 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC. 2) - Suspension of U.S. aid to Pakistan in a dispute over Pakistan's nuclear policy has not affected the Moslem country's defence

capability, army chief General Mirza Aslam Beg said Sunday.

Domestic military production has made the country capable of fighting long wars, the general told a seminar on defence production.

Beg said the first objective of the Pakistan army was to develop ''a meaningful capability'' that would be a deterrent against any aggression.

Without mentioning the U.S. demand that Pakistan open its secret nuclear facilities to inspection, the army chief said Pakistan would not submit to any diktat or accept any terms that were against its national interest.

Officials of the two countries are expected to initiate talks on resolving the differences over the nuclear issue in Islamabad next week.

Pakistan set on its nuclear course after India, its next door neighbour and arch rival, exploded a nuclear device in 1974. It says it would submit to any restrictions on its nuclear programme only if India did same.

-30- 1263
#90336d2900 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (DEC. 2) - The Party of Democratic Socialism (Pds), the successor to East Germany's Communist Sed, won seats Sunday in the first all-German parliament since World War Ii.

In recent weeks a financial scandal had caused a further loss of confidence in the reformed party and its dynamic chairman Gregor Gysi, 42. Top Pds officials had attempted to smuggle more than 100 million Deutschmarks (66.6 million dollars) in former Sed assets out of the country using bogus companies.

Gysi insisted he knew nothing of the matter.

The Sed, which was born of the union between Communists and Social Democrats in 1946, embodied the dictatorship from East Germany's founding in 1949 until the peaceful revolution in 1989.

In December 1989, following the toppling of state and party leader Erich Honecker's regime, the Sed was renamed and Gysi elected as chairman of the new Pds. Membership sank from 2.3 million to 300,000.

In the first free East German parliamentary elections in March and in local elections on May 6, the Pds managed to achieve two-figure vote percentages.

The Pds pinned all of its hopes in an exception made in German election laws for Sunday's elections: The 5 per cent of the vote needed to gain parliamentary representation was applied separately in eastern and western Germany.

Although the Pds failed to clear the hurdle in the West, it won slightly under 10 per cent of the vote in the East.

-30- 1628
#90336d3020 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (DEC. 2) - Chancellor Helmut Kohl said on Sunday that the victory of his ruling Christian Democrats in the German elections was a superb result.

''This is a superb result of which we can be justifiably proud,'' the chancellor told jubliant supporters at party headquarters two hours after polling ended.

The chancellor, whose coalition with the Free Democrats won an absolute majority in the Bonn parliament, said it was ''the best result since the introduction of free elections in the whole of Germany''.

Kohl, flanked by his wife Hannelore and Christian Democrat General-Secretary Volker Ruehe, said he would hold talks with the Free Democrats next week on the make-up of the new coalition.

-30- 889
#90336d3170 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABU DHABI (DEC. 2) - Authorities in the United Arab Emirates have turned away a shipment of 82,445 sheep from Australia on grounds that the animals were diseased, the newspaper Al-Khaleej reported Sunday.

It said the sheep had earlier been rejected by Saudi Arabia.

In Canberra, the Australian Meat and Livestock Corporation acknowledged Wednesday that some of the live sheep refused last week end by Saudi Arabia were showing symptoms of scabby mouth.

The animals had been delivered to the Saudi Red Sea port of Jeddah aboard the carrier Mawashi Al-Gaseem. Saudi authorities have refused 13 consignments of Australian sheep since last year.

Australia in 1989 exported 6.3 million sheep to Gulf countries, including 3.1 million to Saudi Arabia, 1.4 million to Kuwait, 700,000 to the UAE and 400,000 to Qatar.

-30- 998
#90336d3290 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 2) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on Sunday called for "dialogue without preconditions" between his country and the United States and

said the talks should lead "down a path other than that of war".

Interviewed on French television, Mr. Hussein called for "French representatives" to be present at the talks. However he refused to answer all questions about an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

On Saturday, Mr. Hussein accepted a proposal from U.S. President George Bush for the U.S. secretary of state and Iraqi foreign minister to travel to each other's capitals to discuss a peaceful resolution to the crisis caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait August 2.

"If President Bush wants to establish a balanced dialogue, such a dialogue must not be undertaken on (the basis of) preconditions", Mr. Hussein said, speaking through an interpreter.

He added however that it was "important" the talks "cover all the region's problems so that the peace can be real and all-encompassing".

Earlier the United States rejected any linkage to other issues, such as the Palestinian problem.

Mr. Bush has said the talks would be aimed at making Iraq understand that the international community demanded it respect United Nations resolutions concerning Kuwait. A Security Council resolution adopted Thursday authorised the use of force against Iraq if it failed to withdrawn from Kuwait by January 15.

"One may ask if it is really a question of United Nations' objectives or those of the United States", Mr. Hussein commented.

However "the important thing is that the dialogue (with Washington) lead down a path other than war", he said.

Asked whether he thought the crisis was closer to war or peace, he said "Fifty-fifty". If the aim of the talks was real "dialogue", then "we will be closer to peace", he said. If "they want to make it a formal demonstration for the Congress and international opinion to have a clear conscience...then we will be nearer to armed conflict".

During the interview, Mr. Hussein also denied that his country had a nuclear weapon.

Referring to speculation about Iraq's capacity to build nuclear weapons, Mr. Hussein said, "If we had nuclear weapons we would have no hesitation in saying so. But we do not possess nuclear arms."

As for Iraq's request for French representatives to be present at the talks,

Mr. Hussein said it would be "preferable, instead of Iraq and the United States remaining face-to-face, because the Americans have far more extensive news media than the Iraqis which can influence international public opinion".

He repeated that the holding of some 3,000 Western hostages was "one of the methods we believe could prevent war" and he called for guarantees from Washington that the United States would "not resort to force until March 25".

Baghdad has announced previously that it would begin releasing foreign hostages from December 25 and for a three month period ending March 25, if no "aggression" was launched against it in those three months.

The French interviewers, Christine Ockrent and Ivan Levai, were searched painstakingly before being allowed to see Mr. Hussein.

Mrs. Ockrent had to remove her rings and both she and Mr. Levai had to wash their hands in a bowl containing a lotion which, she said, was meant to ensure they had nothing on their hands that could "contaminate the Iraqi president".

-30- 3655

#90336d3570 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 2) - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney confirmed Sunday that Iraq had launched surface-to-surface SCUD missiles in what appeared to be the first test-firing since April.

In an interview on ABC television, Mr. Cheney emphasized that the missiles, which he identified as "SCUD variants" had been fired from inside Iraq and had landed inside Iraqi territory.

He said the missiles were last fired in April, four months before Iraq invaded Kuwait, its tiny, oil-rich neighbor.

The missiles have a range of 565 to 645 kilometers (350 to 400 miles) and usually carry conventional weapons. In the interview, Mr. Cheney acknowledged they "could conceivably carry chemical weapons."

National Security Advisory Brent Scowcroft asked on CBS television whether the missiles were meant to be a demonstration of toughness said, "I don't know what it was...

"But what it does, is underscore the fact that this is a man of unpredicatable behavior with powerful, deadly weapons and the means to put mass destruction devices on the front of them. And he could use them at a moment's notice," he said.

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#90336d3640 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

QUITO (DEC. 2) - Leaders of Ecuador's Popular Democracy (DP) party announced Sunday they would form a new, center-left party, complaining that the Christian democratic group had shifted too far to the right.

DP party members have been struggling with internal splits since August 1988 when the party made a deal with President Rodrigo Borja's Democratic Left, a social democratic grouping.

But a DP faction, headed by former president Osvaldo Hurtado, later scuttled the pact.

El Telegrafo newspaper reported that dissident party members from 16 provinces headed by former deputy Julio Cesar Trujillo, met Saturday night to discuss the party's move to the right.

The disgruntled DP members complained that the party was being drawn in the direction of the country's rightist politics that were dominated by personal rivalry and supported by the wealthy.

The DP "no longer expresses the policies of popular organizations in the country and the city and it is no longer in the vanguard in the struggle for their demands and hopes," the daily quoted a dissident as saying.

-30- 1259

#90336d3660 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (DEC. 2) - Dar es Salaam university, closed after bloody riots by students demanding better living conditions six months ago, is to reopen next month, vice-chancellor Geoffrey Mmari has said.

Some 3,000 students were expelled after the riots by students demanding better accommodation and conditions for study. Many have been pardoned and will be re-admitted, Professor Mmari said at a graduation ceremony Saturday.

But an unspecified number of alleged ring-leaders have been barred, he said.

New students wishing to enroll for the 1990-91 academic year would have to wait for admission until the old students had completed their studies, he added.

President Ali Hassan Mwinyi, the university's chancellor, awarded post-graduate degrees, diplomas and certificates to 351 students, mostly from the medical school here and the Arusha law school, which were not involved in the unrest at the main campus.

Since the university was closed in May, the authorities have renovated campus buildings and dormitories, and have built new houses for faculty members.

-30- 1258
#90336d3860 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (DEC. 2) - The West German Greens became the latest victim of German unity on Sunday when they failed to win a seat in the Bonn parliament for the first time since 1983.

The ecologically-oriented party of pacifists and left-leaning intellectuals collected less than 5 per cent of the vote needed for representation in the national legislature.

In the eastern part of Germany, where there were separate election rules, the Greens there polled enough votes to give them eight seats in the 656-member Bundestag.

The result appears to herald the end of an era which began in the early 1980s and led to the Greens joining government coalitions at state level in Hesse, West Berlin and Lower Saxony.

The spectacular election victories recorded by the Greens prodded the major parties to give more consideration to the environment.

The environmental programme adopted by Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democrats (Cdu) and the ecology-oriented goals of the Social Democrats (Spd) robbed the Greens of many of their supporters.

Another nail in their coffin was the rapprochement between East and West and the moves towards global disarmament, which led to the disbanding of the peace movement - a major backer of the Greens.

The Greens themselves contributed to their own downfall by continual bickering among hardliners in the Marxist wing of the party and the so-called realists, who favoured cooperation with the Spd.

The rapid pace of German unity, which was generally opposed by the Greens, accelerated the decline and led to the unexpectedly clear rejection by voters in Sunday's first all-German elections in 58 years.

-30- 1845
#90336d3880 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 2) - A senior U.S. official Sunday denied that President George Bush's meeting Friday with Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen was a reward to China for not killing the U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq.

Several Democratic congressmen had criticized the meeting, the first between

Mr. Bush and a Chinese official since the June 1989 massacre of pro-democracy demonstrators in Beijing, as a reward for China's abstention in Thursday's U.N. vote.

Mr. Bush suspended high-level exchanges with China after the Beijing suppression.

National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft, asked Sunday if the United States had rewarded China by meeting with a Chinese official, told CBS television: "Suppose they had voted against us?"

"I don't know if they would have or not, but this meeting was in no way a reward for anything," he added.

China, which has veto power as one of the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, abstained from the vote which set a January 15 deadline for Iraq to pull out of Kuwait.

China voted in favor of all 12 previous resolutions against Iraq in connection with its August 2 invasion of its tiny, oil-rich neighbor.

Mr. Scowcroft said the Bush-Qian meeting was aimed at making it "unmistakably clear, personally, not through emissaries ... that there was no forgetting Tiananmen Square" in Beijing.

When asked whether a snub instead of a meeting with Mr. Qian might not have been more effective, he said the United States has "been snubbing them (China) for a long time."

Mr. Scowcroft said Mr. Bush's meeting with Mr. Qian was aimed at letting China know "there was no let up sanctions" the United States imposed after the Tiananmen Square crackdown.

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#90336d5230 12/02/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (DEC. 3) - South Korean textile exports dropped and imports grew in the first 10 months of the year as manufacturers failed to meet competition from cheaper Asian suppliers, the industry said Monday.

South Korea still retained a 9.15 billion dollar surplus in the industry, one of the most important to the local economy, said the Korea Federation of Textile Industries (KFTI).

Overall imports to the end of October were 2.95 million dollars, a 3.9 per cent increase over the same period last year, while exports dropped three per cent to 12.1 billion dollars, the KFTI said.

A KFTI official said the industry had suffered from demand reduction in the industrialized world due to the Gulf crisis, price competition from Taiwan, Hong Kong and China and the appreciation of the won currency.

He also said the textile industry needed to promote more investment to automate its facilities in the face of a manpower shortage.

"But the main reason is price competition from the other 'Dragons,'" he said in reference to Asia's three other newly industrializing economies.

Exports of finished products suffered the biggest fall, plunging 12.1 percent from the same period last year to 7.36 billion dollars. Exports of fabrics however grew by 20 percent to 3.79 billion dollars.

Imports of finished products rose a whopping 53.1 percent to 288 million dollars, the KFTI said.

-30- 1599
#90336e0023 12/02/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 2) EFE - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev used his emergency executive powers Sunday to name Boris Pugo to head the Interior Ministry, replacing Vadim Bakatin, the Soviet news agency TASS reported.

Boris Gromov, the Red Army general in charge of the Kiev military region and former commander of Soviet troops in Afghanistan, was named to serve under Pugo as deputy interior minister.

The report gave no explanation for the sudden shake-up.

-30- 626
#90336h0045 12/02/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
SOFIA (DEC. 2) XINHUA - BULGARIA, ONE OF EUROPE'S MAJOR BEER PRODUCERS, OPENED ITS FIRST EVER BEER FESTIVAL IN ITS EASTERN CITY OF SHUMEN ON SATURDAY, LOCAL NEWSPAPERS REPORTED.

THE FESTIVAL, SPONSORED BY THE LOCAL SHUMEN BEVERAGE COMPANY, WAS ATTENDED BY ALL THE BEER FACTORIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

"ASTIKA" AND "ZAGORKA" ARE THE TWO WELL-KNOWN BULGARIA-MADE BEERS AND HAVE BEEN EXPORTED TO MANY COUNTRIES IN EUROPE AND AMERICA.

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#90336t2880 12/02/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (DEC. 2) TASS - SOVIET COSMONAUT MUSA MANAROV, A RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT DEPUTY, WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND THE EXTRAORDINARY CONGRESS OF RUSSIAN

PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES IN MOSCOW, BECAUSE HE IS NO LONGER ON EARTH.

THE SOVIET SPACE SHIP SOYUZ TM-11 WAS LAUNCHED ON SUNDAY AT 11:13 MOSCOW TIME TAKING MUSA MANAROV, HIS COLLEAGUE VIKTOR AFANASIEV AND JAPANESE JOURNALIST TOYOHIRO AKIYAMA TO SPACE.

MANAROV IS NOT ONLY ONE OF THE MOST EXPERIENCED SOVIET COSMONAUTS -- IN DECEMBER 1988 HE COMPLETED A RECORD YEAR-LONG SPACE MISSION -- BUT ALSO A TRUSTED REPRESENTATIVE OF VOTERS, A PEOPLE'S DEPUTY TO THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT.

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE JOINT SOVIET-JAPANESE FLIGHT WAS STRESSED TODAY BY BORIS ISAYEV, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT. "JAPAN HAD, HAS AND WILL HAVE ACTIVE CONTACTS WITH RUSSIA AND ITS FAR EASTERN PART," HE SAID IN AN INTERVIEW WITH TASS.

"I BELIEVE MANAROV WILL HAVE MANY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION WITH HIS JAPANESE COLLEAGUE DURING THE SPACE FLIGHT. AFTER THE MISSION ENDS, THERE WILL BE NUMEROUS MEETINGS AT VARIOUS LEVELS, WHICH WILL HELP IDENTIFY MUTUAL INTEREST OF RUSSIA AND JAPAN IN THE FAR EASTERN REGION AND IN RUSSIA AS A WHOLE. THERE ARE MANY FIELDS IN WHICH WE NEED COOPERATION WITH JAPAN".

-30- 1403

#90336u0021 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 2) UPI - U-S military officials say Iraq test-fired Scud missiles inside Iraqi territory today. Officials say the firing appeared to be part of a rear or training mission. The B-B-C says the move prompted the U-S-led military forces in the Persian Gulf to go on a heightened state of alert.

President Bush is on his way to Brazil where he's expected to talk free trade in a five-nation trip that's long on symbolism and short on major new proposals. Bush's visit to South America comes on the heels of trips to Mexico the Middle East and Europe.

One of America's most popular and respected composers died today at a suburban New York hospital. A spokeswoman says Aaron Copland died after a long illness. He was 90 years old.

NASA officials say Columbia's mission is going smoothly after a spectacular pre-dawn launch from Cape Canaveral. The crew initially had trouble with the shuttle's four-telescope payload, but is now ready to begin aiming the sensitive instruments at the heavens for a detailed look at objects in deep space.

A strike by Israeli workers closed down Israel's banks, airport, government offices and other services today. Thousands of workers are protesting proposed cuts in the minimum wage and higher taxes on savings to bankroll the absorption of thousands of new immigrants.

In South Africa, fighting between rival black factions in a troubled squatter camp east of Johannesburg left at least nine people dead. The squatter camp has been the seen of bitter fighting between supporters of the African National Congress and the rival Zulu movement Inkatha.

Actor Burt Lancaster remains hospitalized in Los Alamitos, California, suffering a moderate stroke that weakened his right side and impaired his speech. The 77-year-old star collapsed Friday while visiting a friend at a nursing home.

-30- 2007

#90336u0100 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 2) UPI - Georgia Tech has done all it can in the regular season. The No. 3 Yellow Jackets must now wait for the outcome of the bowl season to see if it can win the national championship.

With sophomore Shawn Jones throwing four touchdown passes, Georgia Tech defeated arch-rival Georgia Saturday 40-23, enabling the Yellow Jackets to enter the bowl season as the the nation's only unbeaten major college team.

''It's great to end the season without a defeat,'' Georgia Tech Coach Bobby Ross said. ''It's a fantastic accomplishment.''

Jones threw TD passes of 48 yards to Bobby Rodriguez and 21 yards to Emmett Merchant in the second quarter and scoring passes of 7 yards to James MacKendree and 25 yards to Rodriguez in the third.

He completed 15 of 20 passes for 225 yards and hit 12 straight at one point.

Jones also was responsible for two successful 2-point conversions in the second, throwing to Greg Lester for the first and running in the other.

''Shawn had a fantastic day,'' Ross said. ''He was really into the ballgame. I know it meant an awful lot to him to get the four scores.''

Georgia Tech finished its regular season 10-0-1, with the tie at North Carolina. The Atlantic Coast Conference champion plays No. 14 Nebraska Jan. 1 in the Citrus Bowl at Orlando, Fla.

To win the national title, the Yellow Jackets must defeat Nebraska and receive upsets from Notre Dame over No. 1 Colorado in the Orange Bowl and Texas over No. 2 Miami in the Cotton Bowl.

Georgia finished 4-7 for its worst season since the early '60s.

--- AROUND THE COLLEGE SCENE ---

In other games on a sparse day of college football, Houston crushed Arizona State 62-45, No. 2 Miami topped San Diego St. 30-28, No. 4 Texas nipped No. 17 Texas A&M 28-27, No. 10 Tennessee blasted Vanderbilt 49-20 and Alabama downed No. 20 Auburn 16-7.

At Toyko, David Klingler threw for 716 yards and seven touchdowns while setting three NCAA passing records and lifting Houston to its season-ending victory. Klingler's performance came too late to help the junior's Heisman Trophy bid. The award for the nation's top college player went to BYU's Ty Detmer, and Klingler finished a distant fifth.

At San Diego, Craig Erickson threw for 284 yards and two touchdowns, including an 11-yard TD pass that snapped a third-quarter tie, helping the Hurricanes survive. Erickson, who completed 17 of 39 passes, found Randal Hill in the end zone to give Miami a 27-20 lead in the third. The Hurricanes recovered a fumble on the Aztec's next possession, setting up Carlos Huerta's third field goal of the game, a 22-yarder.

At Austin, Texas, Peter Gardere ran for two touchdowns and threw for another and the the SWC champion Longhorns stopped a 2-point conversion attempt by Aggies running back Darren Lewis with 3:46 left. A 38-yard run by Adrian Walker in the final minutes enabled Texas to run out the clock and end a six-game losing streak to Texas A&M in the 97-year-old series.

At Nashville, Tenn., Tony Thompson ran for 236 yards and four touchdowns, helping the Vols lock up the Southeastern Conference title and Sugar Bowl bid. Tennessee, 7-2-2 overall and 5-1-1 in the SEC, scored 35 points in the second half to overcome Vanderbilt's 17-14 halftime lead.

At Birmingham, Ala., the Crimson Tide used a thieving defense and the foot of senior kicker Philip Doyle, making Gene Stallings the first Alabama coach to beat the Tide's arch rival on his first try since J.W. H. Pollard did it in 1906. Not even Bear Bryant, who was 19-6 against Auburn, beat the Tigers his first time out.

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#90336u0155 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 2) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

BOSTON (110)

Bird 6-17 2-2 15, Gamble 1-5 2-2 4, Parish 9-16 4-4 22, Shaw 10-18 0-0 20, Lewis 9-17 0-0 18, McHale 13-22 3-4 29, Brown 1-5 0-0 2.

Totals 49-100 11-12 110.

PHILADELPHIA (116)

Payne 2-8 0-0 4, Barkley 16-23 4-6 37, Gminski 2-5 0-0 4, Green 7-16 5-6 19, Hawkins 7-12 10-11 24, Anderson 5-11 4-4 14, Mahorn 4-7 0-0 8, Turner 2-6 0-0 4, Bol 1-4 0-0 2.

Totals 46-92 23-27 116.

Boston	28	20	35	27-110
Philadelphia	29	29	29	29-116

Three-point goals-Bird, Barkley. Fouled out- none. Total fouls-Boston 17, Philadelphia 11. Rebounds-Boston 50 (Parish 15), Philadelphia 52 (Barkley 13). Assists-Boston 25 (Bird 9), Philadelphia 32 (Green, Barkley 8). Technicals-none. A-18,168.

CHICAGO (120)

Grant 4-6 1-2 9, Pippen 8-13 1-2 17, Cartwright 3-7 3-6 9, Jordan 13-18 5-6 32 Paxson 6-9 0-0 13, King 5-8 0-0 10, Armstrong 3-7 0-0 6, Hopson 3-6 6-8 12, Perdue 0-1 0-0 0, Levingston 1-2 2-2 4, Hodges 2-3 0-0 4, S. Williams 2-2 0-0 4.

Totals 50-82 18-26 120.

CLEVELAND (85)

Nance 7-13 0-0 14, Ehlo 1-7 0-0 2, Daugherty 4-12 8-9 16, Paddio 4-11 0-1 8, Morton 3-14 2-2 9, Kerr 4-6 1-2 9, Ferry 6-11 2-2 14, Brown 1-5 2-2 4, Chievous 2-8 0-0 4, Babic 1-4 3-4 5.

Totals 33-91 18-22 85.

Chicago	37	28	27	28-120
Cleveland	20	23	18	24--85

GOLDEN STATE (137)

Hill 7-9 2-2 16, Mullin 11-11 5-5 28, Lister 2-4 0-0 4, Hardaway 7-16 2-4 18, Richmond 7-17 5-6 22, Jim Petersen 1-2 0-0 2, Tolbert 4-9 1-2 9, Higgins 3-7 1-1 7, Marciulionis 5-7 13-16 23, Pritchard 1-4 2-2 4, Smerek 2-4 0-0 4.

Totals 50-90 31-38 137.

MIAMI (111)

Davis 0-0 1-2 1, Rice 11-19 3-4 25, Seikaly 9-13 3-6 21, Douglas 7-11 1-2 15, Edwards 4-15 5-6 13, Long 3-12 5-6 11, Coles 0-2 0-0 0, Burton 4-8 1-3 9,

Kessler 0-1 6-6 6, Thompson 2-2 1-1 5, Sundvold 1-4 0-0 3, Wagner 1-2 0-0 2.

Totals 42-89 26-36 111.

Golden State	41	33	26	37-137
Miami	30	35	19	27-111

DETROIT (83)

Rodman 4-7 0-0 8, Edwards 1-6 5-10 7, Laimbeer 3-9 2-4 8, Dumars 6-15 4-4 16, Thomas 5-12 6-8 16, Salley 3-6 0-0 6, Johnson 5-16 2-4 12, Aguirre 4-9 2-4 10, Bedford 0-2 0-2 0, Blanks 0-1 0-0 0.

Totals 31-83 21-36 83.

WASHINGTON (94)

Grant 8-13 3-5 19, King 9-18 8-13 26, Jones 0-1 2-2 2, Workman 4-11 3-6 11, Walker 5-11 0-0 10, Eackles 0-6 0-0 0, Foster 2-5 3-3 7, Hammonds 1-1 0-0 2, Alarie 5-8 4-4 14, English 1-1 1-2 3.

Totals 35-75 24-35 94.

Detroit	16	22	20	25-83
Washington	24	24	30	16-94

Three-point goals-none. Fouled out- Rodman, Thomas, Jones. Total fouls-Detroit 27, Washington 30. Rebounds-Detroit 41 (Laimbeer 13), Washington 44 (Jones 9). Assists-Detroit 16 (Johnson 5), Washington 22 (Workman 8). Technical fouls-Dumars, Rodman, Grant, Walker. A- 18,756.

L.A. LAKERS (108)

Perkins 5-9 2-2 12, Worthy 7-18 3-4 17, Divac 3-7 0-0 6, M. Johnson 11-24 2-3 25, Scott 13-15 4-5 32, Green 2-8 2-4 6, Drew 0-1 0-0 0, Teagle 2-6 2-2 6, Thompson 2-2 0-1 4.

Totals 45-90 15-21 108.

PHOENIX (98)

Chambers 6-17 3-3 15, Rambis 3-5 0-0 6, West 2-5 2-2 6, Hornacek 7-11 1-2 15, K. Johnson 6-15 7-8 19, E. Johnson 5-10 0-0 10, Majerle 9-16 0-0 18, Knight 1-4 1-2 3, Nealy 1-2 2-4 4, Battle 0-2 2-2 2.

Totals 40-87 18-23 98.

ORLANDO (92)

Scott 3-18 1-2 8, Catledge 5-11 0-0 10, Kite 0-3 2-2 2, Skiles 11-20 4-6 27, Smith 3-8 8-10 14, Anderson 8-12 0-0 18, Wright 0-1 1-2 1, Reynolds 0-1 0-0 0, Turner 0-1 0-0 0, Ansley 2-4 4-4 8, Acres 1-5 2-2 4.

Totals 33-84 22-28 92.

NEW JERSEY (111)

Morris 6-14 2-2 15, Coleman 8-15 2-4 18, Bowie 5-7 1-3 12, Blaylock 8-12 0-0 17, Theus 8-17 3-4 20, Buechler 1-3 4-5 6, Dudley 4-6 5-8 13, George 0-1 0-0 0 Gervin 3-7 4-4 10, Haley 0-0 0-2 0, Lee 0-1 0-0 0, Conner 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 43- 83 21-32 111.

Three-point goals-Scott, Skiles, Morris, Bowie, Blaylock, Theus, Anderson 2. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Orlando 26, New Jersey 24. Rebounds-Orlando 50 (Skiles 9, Anderson 9), New Jersey 38 (Coleman 14). Assists-Orlando 9 (Smith 3), New Jersey 25 (Theus 8).

Orlando	21	16	27	28- 92
New Jersey	27	27	28	29-111

Technicals-New Jersey 2 (illegal defense), Coleman, Acres 2, Haley (ejected). A-10, 381.

LA CLIPPERS (137)

Kimble 5-9 0-0 10, Smith 17-27 18-21 52, Benjamin 8-20 5-7 21, Grant 5-12 3-4 13, Garland 3-12 3-4 9, Manning 8-13 6-8 22, Garrick 1-3 2-3 4, Vaught 2-4 0-0 4, Ball 1-1 0-0 2, Martin 0-2 0-0 0.

Totals 50-103 37-47 137.

DENVER (121)

Woolridge 11-20 6-9 28, Lane 6-12 5-11 17, Rasmussen 6-12 0-1 12, Jackson 7-17 2-3 16, Adams 7-19 5-6 22, Davis 10-21 2-2 22, Dunn 0-1 0-0 0, Cook 0-2 2-4 2, Johnson 1-4 0-0 2, Wolf 0-1 0-0 0, Mills 0-1 0-0 0.

Totals 48-110 22-36 121.

LA Clippers	34	30	40	33--137
Denver	33	21	35	32--121

Three-point goals-Adams 3. Fouled out- Kimble. Total fouls-LA Clippers 25. Denver 33. Rebounds-LA Clippers 61 (Benjamin 13). Denver 52 (Lane 12). Assists-LA Clippers 36 (Grant 16), Denver 29 (Adams 18). Technicals-Rasmussen.

A-10,036.

DALLAS (97)

McCray 3-11 2-4 8, English 8-15 0-0 16, Donaldson 0-0 0-2 0, Harper 9-17 0-3 18, Blackman 2-10 4-4 8, White 3-10 4-8 11, Shasky 6-10 1-1 13, Davis 2-5 3-4 8, Alford 4-7 2-2 11, Grandholm 2-3 0-0 4, Upshaw 0-1 0-0 0.

Totals 39-89 16-28 97.

SAN ANTONIO (109)

Elliott 6-11 2-2 14, Cummings 8-17 1-2 17, Robinson 9-15 5-5 23, Strickland 6-10 3-4 15, Anderson 2-3 0-0 4, Pressey 5-6 5-6 15, Dinkins 1-4 4-4 6, Greenwood 0-1 5-6 5, Williams 3-7 0-0 6, Schintzius 2-6 0-0 4, Massenburg 0-1 0-0 0.

Totals 42-81 25-29 109.

Three-point goals-White, Davis, Alford. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Dallas 22, San Antonio 25. Rebounds-Dallas 34 (McCray, Shasky 7), San Antonio 49 (Cummings 13). Assists-Dallas 25 (McCray, Davis 5), San Antonio 33 (Strickland 15). A-15,908.

PORTLAND (130)

Kersey 6-17 12-14 24, Williams 4-5 1-2 9, Duckworth 2-4 4-4 8, Drexler 4-20 5-5 13, Porter 14-23 6-8 38, Robinson 5-13 4-4 14, Cooper 0-3 0-0 0, Ainge 3-10 2-2 9, Young 4-6 0-0 10, Bryant 2-4 1-1 5.

Totals 44-105 35-40 130.

SEATTLE (124)

McDaniel 18-36 5-6 41, McKey 3-7 2-2 8, Cage 3-4 3-3 9, Payton 7-16 0-0 14, Threatt 8-22 3-3 19, Dailey 0-2 3-4 3, Kemp 2-10 2-2 6, Polynice 6-8 1-1 13, McMillan 2-2 0-0 4, Barros 3-6 0-0 7.

Totals 52-113 19-21 124.

Portland	20	19	24	32	11	12	12-130
Seattle	25	28	24	18	11	12	6-124

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(DEC. 2) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	12	3	.800	-
Philadelphia	11	6	.647	2
New York	7	8	.467	5
New Jersey	6	10	.375	6 1/2
Miami	5	10	.333	7
Washington	5	10	.333	7

Central Division

Detroit	13	3	.813	-
Milwaukee	11	4	.733	1 1/2
Chicago	10	6	.625	3
Cleveland	9	8	.529	4 1/2
Charlotte	8	8	.500	5
Indiana	5	10	.333	7 1/2
Atlanta	4	10	.286	8

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	9	4	.692	-
Utah	8	6	.572	1 1/2
Houston	9	7	.562	1 1/2
Dallas	6	7	.461	3
Minnesota	5	10	.333	5
Denver	3	12	.200	7
Orlando	3	13	.188	7 1/2

Pacific Division

Portland	13	1	.928	-
Golden State	11	6	.647	3 1/2
Phoenix	8	5	.615	4 1/2
LA Lakers	8	5	.615	4 1/2
LA Clippers	7	8	.467	6 1/2
Seattle	4	8	.333	8
Sacramento	1	13	.071	12

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(DEC. 2) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

(All Times EST)

WALES CONFERENCE

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	17	8	5	39	116	82
Philadelphia	17	10	2	36	107	87
New Jersey	14	10	3	31	103	89
Washington	15	14	0	30	98	92
Pittsburgh	11	13	2	24	106	105
NY Islanders	9	15	2	20	71	97

Adams Division

Boston	14	8	4	32	84	78
Montreal	13	12	3	29	85	87
Hartford	10	12	4	24	74	84
Buffalo	9	10	6	24	77	78
Quebec	5	18	5	15	75	124

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	17	9	2	36	93	69
St. Louis	15	8	3	33	89	73
Detroit	13	10	3	29	97	97
Minnesota	7	15	6	20	77	97
Toronto	6	22	1	13	79	133

Smythe Division

Los Angeles	16	7	3	35	110	82
Calgary	15	9	3	33	114	86
Vancouver	12	12	2	26	78	86
Winnipeg	9	16	3	21	93	99
Edmonton	8	14	2	18	71	73

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(DEC. 2) UPI - Seven astronauts are strapped in aboard the shuttle Columbia awaiting launch at 1:28 a-m, e-d-t, from Cape Canaveral. However, there are major doubts as to whether the ship will blastoff as planned, with weather conditions unfavorable and a reported buildup of helium gas used to operate engine valves. The effort is the fifth in six months to begin a 10-day astronomy mission.

In Soviet Central Asia, engineers are readying a Soyuz booster for launch later Sunday to carry a crew of three, including a Japanese television journalist, to the Mir space station. If all goes well with both launches, a

record 12 humans will end up in orbit at the same time.

In Chicago, a group of Americans calling themselves ''Angels for Peace'' announced Saturday they will accept Saddam Hussein's offer to visit their hostage relative during the holidays. In Baghdad, Iraq's official news agency says the Iraqi leader is accepting President Bush's offer to hold high-level talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. However, Iraq wants to include the Arab-Israeli conflict in the discussions.

French air force transport planes are evacuating more than 900 foreigners- most of them French- from Chad's capital, where it is Sunday. The planes arrived as rebel forces reportedly backed by Libya continued their advance on the city, where shops are closed and the streets are empty. Radio France International quoted one man as saying Saturday- ''there has been shooting since nine this morning. There is shooting now.'' Chad's president fled to Cameroon Saturday after France refused to come to his aid.

New York City's health commissioner calls it a ''sad milestone.'' The city's Department of Health has reported its 30-thousandth AIDS case since the epidemic began 10 years ago. Dr. Woodrow Myers says about 64 percent of the New Yorkers afflicted with the virus have died. But Myers says Americans should NOT let the numbers- quote- ''numb us.'' In his words- ''AIDS is a preventable disease.''

Canadian police say three bandits used a garbage truck to smash through a fence and onto a tarmac where a plane had just landed at a Montreal airport. The men made off with a 13-Million dollar shipment of gold and other valuables from the twin-engine plane in the Saturday heist. Police say the trio did NOT fire the machine guns they were carrying and NO one was hurt.

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DHAKA, Bangladesh (DEC. 2) UPI - Authorities relaxed a curfew in the troubled capital Sunday for 12 hours, the longest break residents have had since President Hussein Muhammed Ershad declared a national state of emergency early last week.

The curfew relaxation came one day after 11 people were killed and 200 others were injured when security forces opened fire on anti- government demonstrators in Dhaka and other parts of the country.

More than 60 people have been killed in violence since the imposition of emergency rule last Tuesday.

The nation observed a general strike Saturday and opposition leaders have called for similar strikes to be staged on Dec. 5, 10, 11 and 12 to protest the state of emergency and to demand Ershad's resignation.

''We demand the immediate withdrawl of the emergency,'' Amir Hussein Amu, joint secretary general of the opposition left-wing Awami League, said during a news conference Saturday evening. ''The people have rejected this government and it cannot stay in power. Our movement will continue until the fall of this government.''

On Sunday, authorities relaxed the curfew for 12 hours, beginning at 6 a.m., and people went shopping for food and other necessities.

It was the longest break Dhaka residents have had since Ershad announced the national state of emergency. Police and soldiers stood guard on street corners as people went about their business.

Ershad, while announcing the emergency, said the step was necessary ''to preserve national security and save the country from rampant violence.''

He accused opposition parties of endangering internal security and the economic life of the country.

The government crackdown came in the wake of frequent anti-government strikes over the past one month by opposition parties that disrupted normal life and often resulted in clashes between rival groups.

An eight-party alliance of the Awami League and a seven-party coalition led by the Bangladesh Nationalist Party organized the anti- government rallies and strikes since October.

The strikes aimed to force the resignation of Ershad and to insist on a general election under a neutral interim government.

Ershad seized power from an elected government in a bloodless coup in 1982 and obtained a five-year presidential term in the 1986 elections, boycotted by the major opposition parties.

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BERLIN (DEC. 2) UPI - East Germany's former Stalinist leader Erich Honecker remained free Sunday morning after authorities issued an arrest warrant for his alleged responsibility for killings at the Berlin Wall, officials said.

German authorities had not received permission from Soviet officials to arrest the ailing, disgraced 78-year-old, who is staying at a Soviet military hospital, the officials said.

Under the terms of a bilateral treaty over the status of the 360,000 Soviet troops in East Germany, the German authorities would need Soviet permission to

arrest Honecker within the military compound.

It was not immediately clear whether the Soviet authorities intended to allow the Germans to arrest Honecker later.

Honecker's lawyers said they would contest the warrant, which was issued Friday after authorities in Berlin found documents that showed the former hard-line communist leader had given the order to shoot anyone seeking to flee East Germany.

Berlin Justice Department officials said they discovered the documents at the former East German armed forces headquarters. They said the shooting order had originally been removed from the files it should have been in.

A Justice Department spokesman said sufficient evidence had been gathered to charge Honecker with homicide in connection with the killings.

More than 250 people were killed while seeking to flee the East Germany, 77 of them at the Berlin Wall.

The spokesman said authorities had only intended to announce the arrest warrant had been issued after Sunday's national and Berlin elections but had been forced to make the announcement Saturday after information was leaked to a Berlin newspaper.

Doctors said earlier that Honecker, who suffers from cancer, was not fit to stand trial.

Honecker, then head of the Defense Council, had played a key role in the secret planning for the Aug. 13 1961 erection of the wall by Soviet- backed East German troops.

Shortly after that, he allegedly ordered that anybody seeking to flee to West Germany should be shot.

Honecker was swept from power Oct. 18, 1989 at the height of pro- democracy demonstrations that eventually led to the collapse of his Stalinist government and to the Nov. 9, 1989 opening of the Berlin Wall.

He was evicted from his house in the elite Wandlitz suburb of Berlin and taken to the house of a Protestant pastor near the capital.

He and his wife, Margot, were later taken to the Soviet military hospital in Beelitz, just outside Berlin, following complaints from neighbors and because of fears for his safety.

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KHARTOUM, Sudan (DEC. 2) UPI - Sudan, one of Iraq's few allies in the Middle East, Sunday welcomed President Bush's call for direct talks to end the Persian Gulf crisis but said the United States was trying to protect its oil interests.

''The new U.S. initiative, if it is genuine, constitutes a return to consciousness of the horrible hazards of war between Iraq and the foreign troops amassed in the Middle East,'' government spokesman Al Saddiq Bakheit said in a statement.

Sudan, ruled by a fundamentalist Moslem military junta, previously refused to condemn Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and had offered Sudanese troops to support Iraqi forces.

''The consequences of the gulf crisis underlines once again the need for a persistant regional Arab understanding (and a) unified Arab body,'' the statement added.

Bakheit said the U.S. readiness to talk resulted from its realization that war would jeopardize not only the oil fields but also the current Arab balance of power.

''The U.S. fears both prospects. Oil constitutes a lifeline for the Western powers while the existing balance of power constitutes access to maintain to political influence that maintains that power,'' Bakheit said.

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HONG KONG (DEC. 2) UPI - A counterfeiting ring producing fake U.S. $100 bills has been broken up and authorities seized printing equipment and arrested four men, police said Sunday.

Authorities said the syndicate was discovered and broken up before any fake currency had been placed in circulation, but 25 counterfeit $100 bills were seized in a raid Friday night.

They said enough paper to print $7 million worth of counterfeit U.S. currency was discovered in the makeshift factory, along with other printing equipment to be used in the scheme.

Four men were arrested at the printing site in the raid but their names were not released until they could be formally charged, officials said.

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BAIKONUR COSMODROME, U.S.S.R. (DEC. 2) UPI - A Soyuz rocket rumbled into space Sunday, carrying Japanese television correspondent Toyohiro Akiyama and two Soviet cosmonauts to the Mir space station.

The Soyuz TM-11 rocket lifted off smoothly and on time at 11:13 a.m. Moscow time (3:13 a.m. EST) from the same launch pad at the Baikonur Cosmodrome where in 1961 Yuri Gagarin began his historic first manned space flight.

Tokyo Broadcasting System paid $10 million for the right to have Akiyama, a 48-year-old former Vietnam War correspondent and Washington bureau chief for TBS, become the first journalist in space.

The decision to sell a foreign journalist the chance to be first in space on a Soviet mission set off howls of protest from Soviet correspondents. The Glavkosmos space agency has said a future flight will be reserved for a Soviet reporter.

During his eight-day mission to the orbiting Mir space station, Akiyama will file daily television and radio reports and also help carry out Japanese scientific experiments.

Currently the chief foreign news editor for TBS, Japan's No. 1 broadcast network, Akiyama was chosen over dozens of other TBS journalists for the assignment that required a year of training at the Soviet Star City cosmonaut base. He also had to break a four-pack-a-day cigarette habit.

Moments before the launch Sunday, Akiyama joked and chatted calmly with his wife, Kyoko, via a television hookup from the space capsule. Kyoko, looking tense by contrast, admonished him to be serious and do his best.

Accompanying Akiyama to the space station are Soviet cosmonauts Musa Manarov and mission commander Viktor Afanasiev, who will remain on the space station when Akiyama returns to Earth Dec. 10 with the current Mir crew, Gennady Strekalov and Gennady Manakov.

The $10 million fee paid by TBS and the Japanese advertising on the rocket are part of a Soviet attempt to make the country's space program pay for itself. TBS executives said last week the Glavkosmos space agency was still asking for more money - including $10,000 an hour to have the cosmonauts hold a video camera.

Aboard Mir, Akiyama will make a daily 10-minute television broadcast and two 20-minute radio broadcasts that will be relayed to Moscow and then on to Tokyo.

''I would like to feel the experience of space with all my senses - just what space is,'' he said at a pre-launch news conference. ''I would like to describe them to my countrymen in Japanese.''

TBS covered the launch live with no less than 20 television cameras, including one in the control room to capture the launch button being pushed and one under the launch pad that promptly melted at ignition.

A hoard of at least 150 foreign journalists watched the launch at the once-secret Baikonur Cosmodrome on the barren steppe of the Soviet republic of Kazakhstan.

Akiyama's disappointed backup for the flight, camera operator Rioko Kikuchi, won hearts at a pre-flight news conference when she said she hoped the Soviet crew she trained with could take her on their next mission ''as a personal item'' to test weightlessness.

Kikuchi, the 26-year-old backup ''cosmoreporter'' who suffered an appendicitis attack Monday and had to be operated on, came to the news conference with the beaming smile that has made her a favorite at Star City, where she trained for a year.

When asked if she ever hoped now to fly into space, she explained that Akiyamos crew was taking along the same little doll that Yuri Gagarin took on man's maiden space flight in 1961 - a doll that began floating free as soon as zero gravity was reached.

''I would like my crew to take me along (on their next mission) like that little doll,'' she said.

In addition to his daily broadcasts, Akiyama will also be helping carry out three Japanese scientific experiments during the mission, including one to show how frogs react to weightlessness in space.

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#90336u0218 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (DEC. 2) UPI - Running six months late, the shuttle Columbia's crew rocketed smoothly into orbit Sunday on a 10-day flight to aim a $150 million battery of telescopes at the most violent stars and galaxies in the universe.

Orbiting the globe at an altitude of 219 miles, Columbia's 60-foot- long payload bay doors were opened about 90 minutes after launch, exposing the ship's ''Astro-1'' cargo of telescopes to the deep night of space.

''I can assure you there are a lot of elated shuttle and payload people ... to finally have Columbia and Astro in orbit,'' said launch director Robert Sieck. ''It's like an early Christmas present.''

After an unexpected 21-minute delay to check out low clouds in the area, the leak-free shuttle's powerful solid-fuel boosters ignited at 1:49 a.m. EST with

a brilliant rush of flame, instantly pushing the 4.5- million-pound spaceplane away from its launching stand.

Launch of the 38th shuttle mission, NASA's second in a record-tying 17 days, came six months behind schedule - another shuttle record - because of dangerous hydrogen leaks that blocked launch attempts in May and September.

But after resolving a handful of minor technical glitches Saturday, it was clear sailing Sunday and Columbia, looking like a giant comet streaking across the cloudy night sky, majestically climbed away atop twin pillars of flame.

Joining Brand, 59, aboard Columbia were co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 47.

The first item on the agenda for the astronauts after reaching orbit Sunday was to begin activating Columbia's ''Astro-1'' payload, a complex task expected to take up most of the crew's first day in orbit. Science observations are scheduled to begin early Monday.

In Soviet Central Asia, meanwhile, a Proton booster blasted off at 3:13 a.m. EST carrying a crew of three, including a Japanese television journalist, to the Mir space station where two cosmonauts have been on duty since Aug. 1. As a result, a record 12 humans were in orbit at the same time.

The goal of the 38th shuttle mission, the sixth this year, is to study the most energetic stars and galaxies in the universe by analyzing high-energy X-rays and ultraviolet light that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

To collect as much data as possible, the astronauts will work around the clock in two 12-hour shifts, with Hoffman, Lounge and Durrance making up the ''day'' crew and Parker, Gardner and Parise staffing Columbia for the overnight shift. Brand is not assigned a specific shift.

Unlike the $1.5 billion Hubble Space Telescope, the four telescopes making up the Astro-1 payload will remain inside Columbia's cargo bay throughout the mission, operated by the astronauts from the crew cabin much like a normal observatory.

By extending humanity's vision beyond the blue end of the electromagnetic spectrum, Columbia's crew may find evidence for the existence of as-yet-unseen black holes, gain insights into the nature of enigmatic quasars, exploding suns and galaxies with ''active'' centers that send out torrents of energy.

The astronauts also plan to teach an astronomy lesson from space that will be beamed into classrooms on Earth and to chat with ''ham'' radio operators around the world as time permits, including the Soviet cosmonauts aboard the Mir space station.

Columbia is scheduled to land at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., to close out a nine-day, 21-hour and 57-minute mission.

The shuttle originally was scheduled for blastoff May 30 but the flight was grounded the night before when sensors detected explosive hydrogen gas spewing into the ship's engine room.

NASA managers initially suspected the sole cause of the leakage was damaged seals inside a massive 17-inch-wide fuel line fitting that subsequently was replaced with one borrowed from the new shuttle Endeavour.

After a second launch delay because of electrical problems with the X-ray telescope, another leak was discovered the night before a Sept. 6 launch try.

Three suspect fuel pumps were replaced before engineers discovered a partially crushed seal in a valve leading to main engine No. 3. The $250 seal was replaced, but Columbia's fourth launch attempt ended in failure when still more leaking hydrogen blocked a Sept. 18 liftoff.

Finally, after replacing yet another damaged valve seal and tightening virtually every fuel line fitting in the shuttle's engine room, Columbia passed a leak test last month to set the stage for launch.

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(DEC. 2) UPI - The U.S.-led multinational military force in the Persian Gulf region was put on a state of alert early Sunday after intelligence reports indicated suspicious Iraqi missile activity, Cairo radio said.

The state of alert was not of the highest level, but some troops were ordered into special suits designed to repel chemical weapons early Sunday, the radio said.

There were no details on the type or extent of the reported missile activity.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said Saturday that he would accept a request by President Bush for urgent, high-level meetings in Baghdad and Washington, but said the Palestinian-Israeli conflict must also be on the agenda.

Bush's call for the face-to-face meetings was praised Sunday by Sudan and Syria, which said the dialogue was ''suitable and appropriate'' if it avoided a war in the region, Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency said.

MENA also reported Sunday that 437 Filipinos detained in Iraq had been flown from the Iraqi port of Basra to Manila.

Bush conferred with his top military advisers Saturday at his retreat at Camp David, Md., about the reports of Iraq's conditional acceptance of direct talks to resolve the crisis triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Kuwait's Crown Prince Saad al-Sabah welcomed Bush's call for talks, but said his government was not prepared to make ''any sort of compromises'' and had not decided to participate in the dialogue.

''The time has come for Saddam Hussein to implement all the (U.N.) Security Council resolutions and he should pull out his troops without any sort of conditions,'' the prince, who serves as prime minister of Kuwait, said at a news conference in the Saudi resort city of Taif.

The moves toward talks came as Baghdad Radio said tens of thousands of Iraqis marched in anti-U.S. protests in Baghdad and other cities. Diplomats in the region said the protests were organized by the government to protest a U.N. Security Council resolution Thursday authorizing force against Iraq.

The radio quoted demonstrators as saying, ''The Security Council has become a tool in the hands of the United States to implement its aggressive schemes against Iraq'' and, ''We will not give in to any threats or pressures.''

The demonstrations were organized on Martyrs Day, when Baghdad commemorates some 500,000 Iraqis who died in the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war.

A U.S. airman was killed Saturday in a vehicle accident at an air base in eastern Saudi Arabia, the Air Force said.

The soldier's name was withheld pending notification of family, and the Air Force would not release details of the accident. He was a member of the 4th Tactical Fighter Wing's civil engineering squadron based at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base in North Carolina.

Syrian Defense Minister Lt. Gen. Mustafa Tlass, meanwhile, reportedly said Damascus - an ardent Arab foe of Iraq - was willing to send an additional 500,000 troops to add to its 4,000 troops already in the gulf.

That would make Syria's armies the largest Arab contingent in the region, ahead of Saudi Arabia and Egypt, and make Arab troops more important if hostilities erupt after a mid-January U.N. deadline for Iraqi to leave Kuwait.

Washington has deployed some 230,000 troops to the region and has indicated it will deploy some 200,000 more after the first of the year.

A White House spokeswoman said the U.S. charges d'affaires in Baghdad, Joseph Wilson, had conveyed Bush invitation for talks to the Iraqi government.

A statement issued by Iraq's ruling Revolutionary Command Council chaired by

Saddam said Baghdad accepted Bush's offer, but said ''Iraq will seek to broaden any window of dialogue'' to include ''the Palestinian issue and other issues of occupied Arab lands.''

''Iraq seeks more than anything else what it has always sought ... to conduct a serious and deep dialogue,'' the Iraqi News Agency, monitored in Cairo, quoted the statement as saying.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 2) UPI - Three Arabs traveling on an Israeli bus Sunday drew knives, shouted ''God is great,'' and began stabbing passengers, slaying one and wounding three before a policeman killed one of the assailants.

The attack, on the border between the Tel Aviv suburb of Ramat Gan and the ultra-Orthodox community of Bene Beraq, was the latest in a series of stabbings by Arabs against Israelis in less than two months. The attacks began shortly after Israeli police opened fire and killed at least 17 Palestinians Oct. 8 on the Temple Mount, Islam's third holiest site.

A spokesman for Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir blamed Sunday's attack on what he called a trend toward Arab extremism since the Persian Gulf crisis began. Police said the three assailants were residents of the Israeli-occupied territories and were under age 20.

''What happened this morning is another result of the violent incitement among the Arabs toward fundamentalism and extremism,'' said Shamir spokesman Avi Pazner. ''This has been going on since the beginning of the crisis in the gulf and Israel is facing waves upon waves of terrorist attacks.

''We have no doubt whatsoever that we will be able to put that wave down like we have done so many times in the past,'' Pazner said.

Exactly a week before Sunday's stabbings, a heavily armed Egyptian border guard crossed into Israel and ambushed passing vehicles, killing four Israelis and wounding at least 23.

The three Arabs who carried out Sunday's attack entered the bus several stops before they pulled out knives about 9:30 a.m., shouted ''God is great'' in Arabic, and began stabbing passengers, police and witnesses said.

''Suddenly, there was an enormous commotion in the bus,'' one witness told Army Radio. ''I saw people getting out of the bus, full of blood. Two of them were terribly wounded. One of them was a yeshiva (religious academy) boy cut at several places.''

Four Israelis were wounded before the driver stopped the bus, fired in the air

with his gun and opened the doors for the estimated 30 passengers to escape. One of the passengers later died from his wounds in an Israeli hospital.

According to police and witness accounts, the driver held the assailants at gunpoint as they sat on the empty bus before a police sapper who had been driving nearby boarded the vehicle.

One of the three Arabs rose from his seat and ran toward the policeman with his knife. The Arab slightly wounded the policeman in the hand as he opened fire with his Uzi submachine gun and killed the assailant.

Of the two other Arabs, one was shot in the head and the other apparently beaten by passengers, Army Radio reported. Police arrested at least one Israeli who tried to attack the Arabs as police took them from the bus, the radio reported.

''I heard 'Allah akbar' (God is great in Arabic) and cries. I ran to the front door ... and we fled outside,'' said bus passenger Elana Barbash, recounting the attack. ''When I heard 'Allah akbar' I understood what was going on. ... When I fled outside I saw the wounded falling out of the bus.''

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PARIS (DEC. 2) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said in a television interview that the chances of finding a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis are ''50-50'' and will depend on whether U.S. Secretary of State James Baker is ready to engage in a ''real dialogue.''

The Iraqi president told French television that peace or war will depend on whether Baker, who is expected to visit Baghdad in the coming days, will try to negotiate a settlement or simply attempt to portray to the U.S. Congress and the American people that the Iraqis are intransigent and war inevitable.

''If one wants to make of this encounter a real dialogue then we will be closer to peace,'' Saddam said.

''But if one wants to make of this meeting only a formal session to give the American Congress, the American people, and international public opinion a good conscience and to allow them to say they tried to talk with Iraq and that Iraq refused to give up its position, then in that case we are closer to war.''

The interview was conducted Saturday night. A small segment of it was broadcast during the mid-Sunday news by the state-owned Antenne 2 network, and the full interview was to be aired in the evening.

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CAIRO, Egypt (DEC. 2) UPI - Former world heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali left Baghdad with 15 American hostages Sunday after delaying his trip in an apparantly unsuccessful attempt to free three more U.S. nationals, Egypt's Middle East News Agency said.

MENA said Ali, who arrived in the Iraqi capital last week, left on a chartered Iraqi Airways plane to Amman. From there, the group is expected to continue on another flight to Washington.

It said an undetermined number of Belgians and British nationals, freed by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein late last week, were also on the plane.

Ali, bucking U.S. State Department warnings against travel to Iraq, met with Saddam in Baghdad on an independent mission to win freedom for some of the estimated 700 Americans trapped in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

He was scheduled to leave Iraq Saturday but remained an extra day to try to win the release of three more unidentified American hostages.

Many of the Americans are being held at key economic and military installations as a human shield against attack. Saddam has promised to release all foreigners in batches beginning on Christmas Day.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 2) UPI - Foreign Minister David Levy said Sunday Secretary of State James Baker had reassured Israel the Bush administration had not changed its position opposing linking the Persian Gulf crisis with the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

In a letter sent Friday to Levy, Baker reportedly said recent U.S. steps did not reflect any change in American policy related to the crisis triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait during an oil and border dispute.

Friday, a day after the U.N. Security Council authorized the use of force by Jan. 15 if Iraqi troops did not leave Kuwait, President Bush called for an exchange of envoys to forestall war.

''There is no change in the U.S. position,'' Levy said, referring to the contents of Baker's letter. ''There is no change in its principles against aggression and there is no change at all in its opposition to linkage of the Iraqi aggression and the Palestinian-Israeli conflict.''

In response to Bush's offer, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said he welcomed talks to resolve the crisis but urged Bush to accept a ''serious and deep dialogue'' that will include the Palestinian question.

During the weekly Cabinet meeting Sunday, Levy demanded his fellow government ministers refrain from making damaging statements on the Iraqi-U.S. talks, Army Radio reported.

Minister of Science Yuval Ne'eman had told the Cabinet he feared an Iraqi-American agreement would be made at Israel's expense, and Levy reportedly chastized the leader of the ultra right-wing Tehiya Party, the radio said.

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(DEC. 2) UPI - The shuttle Columbia and its seven-man crew have blasted off from Cape Canaveral on a 10-day scientific mission. The start of the flight was delayed six months because of hydrogen leaks.

French planes have flown to the African nation of Chad to evacuate foreigners. Rebel forces have advanced toward the capital and forced the president and other government leaders to leave Chad.

Some cave explorers may be trapped in a cave in southern Albany County in New York. Authorities say a search has begun. A spokesman did NOT know how many people were missing.

Lights on New York City skyscrapers, theaters and bridges were dimmed Saturday night in mourning for AIDS victims. The day was designated by the World Health Organization as global AIDS Awareness Day.

Quarterback Ty Detmer of Brigham Young University has won the Heisman Trophy as the nation's outstanding college football player. Raghib Ismail of Notre Dame finished second.

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#90336u0259 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

ARMY DRILLING SITE, Eastern Saudi Arabia (DEC. 2) UPI - In a dusty basin hostile to everything but scorpions and desert mice, Steven Johnston watched his drilling crew try to tap into the storehouse of precious resources that lies beneath the surface of the Arabian desert.

''Drilling is a 50-50 chance. It can make you or break you,'' said Johnston, echoing the oilman's motto.

But Johnston, 35, of Atwater, Calif., is not looking for black gold. The stripes on his hardhat say sergeant and he works for the Army, not ARAMCO - the Arabian American Oil Company. The precious resource he's hunting is drinking water, a commodity as valuable to U.S. troops in the desert as oil.

''For the troops, yes, it's got to be precious,'' said Staff Sgt. James Bellamy, the manager of the drilling site. Like the other troops in Saudi Arabia, Bellamy and his drilling crew are drinking bottled water now and taking showers in water hauled from wells a long distance away.

The task of providing water to hundreds of thousands of soldiers keeps truck drivers on the road constantly. So the Army hopes to drill a series of up to 30 wells to cut down on the time spent hauling water to ease the strain on the roads and the drivers.

''If we can drill wells and space them out, then you're cutting down on time for someone on the road,'' said Bellamy, 35, of North Myrtle Beach, S.C. ''They're on the road all the time. That's what they're really trying to cut.''

If it seems unusual to be drilling in the desert for water, then maybe it helps to know that the drillers have to go to unusual depths to find it - about twice the 500 or so feet they would have to drill in the United States to find an underground river, or aquifer.

''The aquifer they told us (about) ... is around 12- to 13-hundred feet, so we're going down 13, 14 hundred feet,'' Bellamy said. ''There's plenty of water in Saudi Arabia. Just getting it, that's the problem. Reaching down, way down, and getting it.''

The drilling rig used by the 865th Well Drilling Detachment is designed for 600-foot holes, but can go as deep as 1,500 feet. Once they get started, the two drilling crews keep the rig going 24-hours a day and work long shifts for a couple of weeks until they get the job done.

''I run the night crew. We run 12 hour shifts because once you start drilling you don't stop,'' Johnson shouted over the roar of the drilling rig. ''You can't stop because you're afraid the hole will cave in and you'll lose all the steel.''

Something similar has happened once already since the crew started trying to drill their first water well in Saudi Arabia. The drill bit into clay 780 feet down and refused to budge so the men had to drag 780 feet of steel out of the hole and move to a new site. Fishing in the desert, they called it.

''We got stuck down in the hole. Steel stuck in the hole,'' said Bellamy. ''We got to be fishing in the desert ... You got to fish the steel out of that hole. Had to pull it all back up. Fish down, fishing in the dark. Fish it out.''

Although Americans have drilled for oil in Saudi Arabia for decades, Bellamy, who has bored for water in the United States, Honduras, Somalia and Jordan, said he would not be one bit happy about finding oil instead of drinking water.

''No, not at all, not at all, no, no, no, no,'' he said. ''Don't even mention the oil. Let's hit the water first and then we'll worry about the oil.''

Like other support soldiers in the desert, ready to drop their daily tasks and pick up arms if the Army decides, the troops at the drilling rig have had to adjust to the other life that inhabits their patch of sand.

The scorpions they've encountered are kept in a jar of formaldehyde, critters an inch and a half long with translucent skin that shows the dark, blood-red venom in their stinging tails.

The soldiers also kept friendly desert mice as pets for awhile. They trapped the rodents by cutting off the top of a plastic water bottle, burying it in the sand and putting food on a napkin on top of the foot- high container. The mice went for the bait and, plop, dropped into the empty water bottle and couldn't get out.

Johnston said they kept the mice and, typical engineers, constructed a maze out of plastic water bottles for them to run through. The springy mice escaped after a while, bounding over the side of an 18-inch-high box where they were being held.

The mice provided a break from what Johnston said was was hard, back- breaking work, sometimes filled with days of manhandling 20-foot sections of pipe and battering the steel with sledgehammers. Still, he said he preferred being a driller over life as a combat soldier.

''I'd rather be here,'' he said. ''Always something to do. Laying out there in the desert, just laying there with nothing to do is kind of boring to me. This here, we get to work, time goes by.''

As the sun slides down one horizon and the full moon rises on the other, it's moving toward Johnston's time of day.

''I like the night shift out here,'' he said. ''We sit here and drink coffee and just watch the drill go round and round and round.

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LONDON (DEC. 2) UPI - Nine women ignored the advice of the British government and flew to Baghdad Sunday to meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and plead for the release of their hostage husbands.

''We're going to do what we can while we're out there, and hopefully President Saddam Hussein will be a little bit sympathetic and let us take all the men home for Christmas,'' said Gilly Battersey, a member of the group.

The women left on a World Jordanian Airbus flight to Jordan and planned to continue to Baghdad Monday in hopes of meeting with Saddam. Their husbands are among foreign hostages held by Iraq since Baghdad invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

Britain continued to discourage private citizens from traveling to Iraq to secure the release of hostages, many of whom are being held at key installations in Iraq and Kuwait as human shields against attack by a U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the Persian Gulf region.

''There is no question of the British government encouraging any person or group negotiating with Saddam Hussein on the release of hostages,'' said a Foreign Office spokesman.

''The position of families making personal visits is different, but we do not encourage or help them,'' the spokesman said. ''However, in a free society it is impossible to prevent families going if they are determined to do so.''

Earlier, a group of Belgian, British and U.S. hostages left Baghdad along with former world heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali on a chartered Iraqi Airways plane. Ali bucked U.S. State Department advice against the trip.

Saddam has promised to release all foreigners in batches beginning on Christmas Day barring unexpected developments.

Meanwhile, thousands marched silently from the Kuwaiti embassy to the center of London in a protest against Iraqi atrocities in Kuwait. Other protesters tied yellow ribbons around the statue of Eros in Picaddily Circus and released 1,400 yellow balloons in honor of the hostages held by Saddam.

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(DEC. 2) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EST)

Basketball

Milwaukee at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at LA Clippers, 9 p.m.
Utah at Portland, 10 p.m.

Football
Kansas City at New England, 1 p.m.
Miami at Washington, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
Philadelphia at Buffalo, 1 p.m.

Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
LA Rams at Cleveland 1 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 1 p.m.
LA Raiders at Denver, 4 p.m.
Indianapolis at Phoenix, 4 p.m.
New Orleans at Dallas, 4 p.m.
Houston at Seattle, 4 p.m.
NY Jets at San Diego, 4 p.m.
Green Bay at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Golf
Sydney, Australia - $456,000 Australian Open
Tarpon Springs, Fla. - $1 million JCPenney Classic

Hockey
Detroit at Buffalo, 7:05 p.m.
Edmonton at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
Calgary at Quebec, 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.
Vancouver at Winnipeg, 8:05 p.m.

Skiing
Valzoldana, Italy - Women's World Cup slalom
Valloire, France - Men's World Cup super giant slalom

Tennis
St. Petersburg, Fla. - Davis Cup final

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#90336u0313 12/02/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 2) UPI - Larry Johnson and the University of Nevada-Las Vegas Runnin' Rebels showed they are ready to defend their NCAA crown, two days after they learned they would be allowed to.

Johnson scored 26 points Saturday night, leading No. 2 UNLV to a season-opening 109-68 rout of the University of Alabama-Birmingham in Vancouver, British Columbia, the first NCAA regular-season basketball game ever played outside the United States.

The victory, extending UNLV's winning streak to 12 games, came two days after the NCAA Committee on Infractions decided to allow the school to defend its collegiate basketball crown this season.

The committee offered the university a choice of two penalties, both of which would allow the Runnin' Rebels to defend their crown in 1991, but would make the team ineligible in 1992. One option called for the team to make no television appearances in 1991-92, the other required Coach Jerry Tarkanian to

sit out the 1991 tournament.

UNLV adminstrators chose to keep Tarkanian with the team in the tournament and forfeit next season's television appearances.

Saturday night's win extended a streak that includes the 103-73 defeat of Duke in the NCAA Final Four championship game April 2.

UNLV started with a 22-8 burst and never looked back as Tarkanian substituted freely en route to a 57-25 halftime lead.

Alabama-Birmingham, looking every bit the travel-weary team after travelling straight to Vancouver from Birmingham after Friday night's home-court victory over Auburn, shot just 23 percent in the first half and continued its turnover woes of the early season with a total of 26. The Blazers ended the game shooting 34 percent in falling to 3-1.

UNLV, meanwhile, shot 52 percent from the field and made 9 of 21 three-point attempts while outrebounding the Blazers 51 to 33.

Elbert Rogers led the Blazers with 25 points while Stacy Augmon added 19 for the Rebels.

--- AROUND THE COLLEG SCENE ---

Elsewhere in the UPI Top 25, No. 1 Arizona blew out Long Beach State 95-68, No. 3 Arkansas topped Kansas St. 112-88, No. 4 North Carolina pounded Iowa State 118-93, Bowling Green upset No. 5 Michigan State 98- 85, No. 6 Georgetown manhandled Southern Indiana, No. 7 Syracuse pasted Cornell 86-61, 9th-ranked Duke downed UNC-Charlotte 111-94, No. 11 Indiana ripped No. 21 Louisville 72-52, No. 12 Ohio State dismantled Youngstown State 112-67, co-No. 14 Georgia Tech fell to Richmond 71-69, co-No. 16 Oklahoma crushed Angelo 162-99, and No. 18 Virginia routed Winthrop 93-47.

At Tuscon, Ariz., Ed Stokes scored 14 points, pacing six Arizona players in double figures to lead the Wildcats, 6-0, to the rout of Long Beach State. Long Beach State, 1-2, made just 4 of its first 20 shots and finished the half a dismal 8 of 44 (18 percent). Matt Othick added 13 points and Chris Mills, Brian Williams, Khalid Reeves and Casey Schmidt had 10 points apiece to help Arizona win its 51st straight game at McKale Center.

At Charlotte, N.C., George Lynch scored 20 points and North Carolina's defensive pressure forced 28 Iowa State turnovers to win the consolation game of the Tournament of Champions. North Carolina, which was upset by South Carolina Friday night, forced 16 turnovers in the first half and built a 57-33 lead with 2:22 left in the half on a pair of free throws by Lynch. Rick Fox and Henrik Rodl scored 15 points each for the Tar Heels, who improved to 3-1.

Iowa State was paced by 22 points from Victor Alexander and fell to 1-4.

At Bowling Green, Ohio, Clinton Venable scored 24 points and Joe Moore added 23 as Bowling Green handed Michigan State its second loss in three days. The Spartans, 1-2, who lost to Nebraska on Wednesday, furiously fouled the Falcons in the final minutes, but Bowling Green, 3- 0, responded by going 8 of 8 in the final two minutes and hitting on 27 of 31 for the game. Michigan State's Steve Smith led all scorers with 29 points.

At Landover, Md., Alonzo Mourning scored 20 points to lead the Hoyas. Georgetown improved to 3-0 while Southern Indiana, a Division II school, dropped to 3-2. The game featured a matchup of Georgetown's Dikembe Mutombo against his brother, Ilo. The two Zairians were matched up on the floor often. Ilo Mutombo, 29, scored 12 points compared to six scored by his 21-year-old brother.

At Durham, N.C., Christian Laettner scored a career-high 37 points and added 11 rebounds to pace the Blue Devils. Duke led 85-83 before using a 16-2 burst to put the game out of reach. Bill McCaffrey had 14 points and freshman Grant Hill added 13 for Duke, which improved to 5-1. Freshman Jarvis Williams led the 49ers with 30 points.

At Indianapolis, Calbert Cheaney scored 19 points for the Hoosiers, who downed No. 21 Louisville in the Big Four Classic. Indiana, 4-1, went on a 10-2 run to open a 47-29 lead and were never threatened by the Cardinals, 0-1. Matt Nover scored 14 points and Eric Anderson added 13 for Indiana. LaBradford Smith, with 17 points, was the only Louisville player to score in double figures.

At Columbus, Ohio, Mark Baker scored 24 points and Perry Carter added 20 to help the Buckeyes to their third straight rout. Ohio State has scored more than 100 points in each of its games. Reggie Kemp led the Penguins, 2-1, with 25 points. Jimmy Jackson scored 13 points and had nine assists for Ohio State.

At Richmond Va., Jim Springer hit a short jumper at the buzzer to give Richmond the upset of Georgia Tech. Richmond led 71-69 with 2:05 remaining when Eric Johnson was called for goaltending, and Kenny Anderson made two free throws to tie the score. But Georgia Tech's defense was unable to stop Springer as he nailed the basket for the upset, improving Richmond's record to 2-1. Georgia Tech fell to 2-1.

At Loretto, Pa., Darelle Porter scored all 17 of his points in the second half to help Pittsburgh rally from a 17-point deficit. Earlier in the week, Pittsburgh held on for an 82-80 win at Siena.

At Norman, Okla., Brent Price scored a career-high 35 points to pace the Sooners to the second-highest point total in school history. Price, the brother of Cleveland Cavaliers guard Mark Price, was backed by 28 points from Roland Ware and 26 from Kermit Holmes. Oklahoma, 4-1, tied a school record

with its 48th straight home win and set another record by making 49 free throws.

At Charlottesville, Va., Bryant Stith had 17 points and John Crotty 13 in the Cavaliers, 3-2, rout of Winthrop. The Eagles, were led by Lashawn Coulter with 17 points. The Cavaliers lost to New Orleans on Friday night.

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(DEC. 2) UPI - TODAY'S PEOPLE:

FISHING RADAR: Gary Burghoff, the bespectacled Radar on ''M A S H,'' is a hero in the fishing world. He's invented a floating device that carries bait to attract small salt-water fish, which in turn lure bigger fish so that anglers can catch them. ''Everyone who sees it hits themselves on the forehead and says, 'Oh, my God, it's so simple,''' Burghoff said of his invention, which is called Chum Magic. ''But so was the paper clip.'' The device is shaped like a boat's hull and comes in a 35-inch size that sells for $59.95 and a 47-inch model that goes for $79.95. Burghoff, who does much of his fishing in Florida, where he has a home, says he often stays up late to fill orders for his invention. ''I feel like a cobbler,'' he says. ''I can just see it - Gary Burghoff, actor turned cobbler.'' Burghoff hasn't given up on the entertainment business, however. He recently directed ''Small Kill,'' a movie that will be released in the spring, and plays a dual role in it.

LEACH ON THE RICH: Robin Leach says he isn't worried about the economic decline sinking his syndicated television show ''Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous.'' ''I think the '90s will be much more interesting for 'Lifestyles,''' he told The New York Times. ''There's more fascination with a Gatsby in a depression, when no one's rich, than in a time when everyone's rich.'' But if the bottom does fall out, Leach has a fall-back plan. ''We can do 'Lifestyles of the Formerly Rich and Famous' or we can do 'Lifestyles of the Poor and Unknown,''' he said.

COSBY WORSHIPS TEMPLE: Bill Cosby is trying to help his alma mater, Temple University in his hometown of Philadelphia, out of a jam. Cosby, who played football and ran track for the Owls, will tape a series of television ads for a drive to woo back students who left the school because of a faculty strike this fall. The recruitment drive has a budget of $1.2 million.

BRILLIANT LETTERS: Correspondence between two of the greatest minds of the

20th century will be auctioned by Sotheby's in New York on Dec. 11. A draft of Albert Einstein's four-page letter to Sigmund Freud and Freud's 14-page response are expected to go for between $150,000 and $200,000. The subject of the letters is man's warlike nature.

CHURCH BLUES: Revived interest in blues singer Robert Johnson will be a boon to the Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church near Morgan City, Miss. A 29-song collection of Johnson's works is selling well and Columbia Records plans to give $10,000 to a fund to build a monument to Johnson, restore the cemetery and help the church with financial problems. Johnson, who died in 1938 after drinking poisoned liquor, was a great influence on rock 'n' roll acts like the Rolling Stones, Led Zeppelin and Eric Clapton.

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(DEC. 2) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I... .

The shuttle Columbia and its seven-man crew blasted off early this morning from Cape Canaveral, thrilling thousands of spectators lining roads and beaches. The 10-day flight is intended to aim a 150-Million- dollar battery of telescopes at the most violent stars and galaxies in the universe.

Washington and Baghdad are in agreement that face-to-face talks should be held to try to solve the Persian Gulf crisis. Iraq's official news agency says Iraq wants to go along with President Bush's call for a high-level discussion. But Iraq also wants to talk about the Arab- Israeli conflict.

A cheering crowd listened to Daniel Ellsberg speak on behalf of peace in the Persian Gulf yesterday in Boston. Thousands of New Englanders were bused to the city for the rally featuring the activist of ''Pentagon Papers'' fame. Ellsberg told the rally- in his words- ''We are here to stop this war before it starts.''

Germans will chose a new parliament and government today as they cast ballots in the first free all-German elections in nearly six decades. The vote comes almost exactly two months after East and West Germany merged. Germans last cast ballots in free elections in a united country in 1932- before Hitler banned all NON-Nazi parties.

A spokesman for Burt Lancaster says the actor's family has been ''overwhelmed'' bu public expressions of concern for the star of such films as ''From Here to Eternity.'' The 77-year-old actor suffered a stroke Friday in Los Alamitos, California. He is expected to remain hospitalized for several days.

The F-B-I says agents tracked down a major drug trafficker who spent four years as a fugitive. Authorities say Michael Mundy was armed with a knife but offered NO resistance when he was arrested in Virginia. Mundy is charged with helping smuggle tons of cocaine from Colombia to the United States.

Israeli police say an ultra right-wing group founded by American-born Rabbi Meir Kahane is behind threats and arson against businesses that employ Arabs. Several shops have been burned and store owners threatened in Jerusalem. Kahane was assassinated in New York last month.

Britain's new prime minister is expected to meet French President Mitterrand next month beneath the English Channel when a service tunnel is complete. Two construction workers- one French, one British- shook hands yesterday after connecting two segments of the 31- mile tunnel linking England to the continent.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 2) UPI - The head of the umbrella organization representing striking Daily News unions said Sunday his members were considering legal ways to disrupt subway and rail station sales of the newspaper.

Last week U.S. District Judge Miriam Cederbaum issued a temporary restraining order upholding a ruling allowing hawkers to sell the News in more than 100 Metro-North, Long Island Railroad and Metropolitan Transportation Authority stations. The distribution plan was expected to get underway Monday.

George McDonald, head of the Allied Printing Trades Council, said, ''We'll be evaulating the situation tomorrow. We have to see what is entailed and how many hawkers are down there (in the stations).

''Whatever we legally can do, we will do to upset the News program to put homeless hawkers in subway stations,'' he said. ''We think the program is unhealthy.''

The threat came as sporadic violence against News property and distribution trucks continued, with about a dozen small explosions erupting on a Brooklyn corner near a Daily News printing plant. Police later removed an unexploded pipe bomb and two other devices from a delivery truck ramp.

In the dispute over sales of the paper at rail outlets, MTA officials have said they would allow some sellers into the stations, but they tried to reverse themselves the following day. Cederbaum's decision, however, forced the MTA to let the hawkers into the system.

Unionized subway and rail station workers sent out mixed signals on whether

they planned to thwart the hawkers Monday.

James Phelan, general chairman of the United Transportation Union, which represents Metro-North and LIRR workers, said Saturday ''pure anarchy'' might result if the News goes ahead with the commuter stations sales plan.

However, Phelan said no demonstrations were planned by LIRR or Metro- North employees.

Officials of Transport Workers Union Local 100, which represents city subway station workers, has threatened to strike if the hawkers enter the stations.

News publisher James Hoge released a copy of a letter he sent to MTA Chairman Robert Kiley, describing the threatened strike as illegal and demanding the MTA take legal action against its workers.

''As you know, the Taylor law makes it illegal for transit workers to strike and requires you and your chief legal officer to seek an injunction if an illegal strike is threatened,'' Hoge wrote.

MTA officials could not immediately be reached for comment.

In other strike developments, Hoge, during a Sunday appearance on WABC-TV's ''Eyewitness News Conference,'' said the paper this week had average daily sales of 525,000 copies.

Management officials have recently shied away from giving circulation estimates, as industry analysts have given far smaller figures.

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#90336u0380 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 2) UPI - It's another week, another slew of frequent flier miles for globe-trotting George Bush, bound this time for South America with free trade on his lips and the Persian Gulf crisis very much on his mind.

Bush, who in the last two weeks has logged trips to Europe, the Middle East and Mexico, planned an evening departure Sunday for Brazil, the first of five countries he will visit this week to celebrate the rebirth of democracy and free markets in Latin America.

Originally set for September but put off by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the press of budget talks, the trip will take Bush to four countries that only in the last several years have shed the yoke of military dictatorship.

Long on symbolism and short on major new proposals, the trip will dramatize what the Council on Hemispheric Affairs welcomed as ''the shift in focus'' of U.S.-Latin relations from contentious national security issues to the promise

of greater economic interaction.

Jetting daily from one capital to the next, Bush will laud the reform efforts of a new generation of forward-looking Latin leaders and promote the ambitious notion of a hemispheric free-trade zone stretching from the Artic Circle to Tierra del Fuego.

At home, however, news of his discussions on trade, investment, debt and such non-economic concerns as the proliferation of nuclear weapons and protection of the environment will in all likelihood be obscured by preoccupation with the gulf crisis, which is keeping two of his senior foreign policy advisers - Secretary of State James Baker and national security adviser Brent Scowcroft - back in Washington.

As Bush shuttles about the southern cone of South America, giving that region a level of U.S. attention unseen in years, Baker is slated to testify before Congress and prepare for a possible mission to Baghdad to deliver a last-chance warning to Saddam Hussein that he must give up Kuwait or risk a U.N.-sanctioned attack by U.S. and other forces arrayed against Iraq.

The situation in the gulf has been more than a distant distraction for the Latin American leaders who hope Bush's presence will help bolster sagging domestic support for the often painful steps they have elected or been forced to take to overhaul their economies.

Brazil, for example, has taken a double hit from the gulf crisis as a former exporter of goods to Iraq and importer of Iraqi oil. In Argentina, Bush will praise President Carlos Menem as the only Latin leader to commit forces to the gulf. In Venezuela, he will thank President Carlos Andres Perez for boosting oil production to help meet the shortfall caused by the loss of Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports from the world market.

While that may make the trip topical back in the United States, the theme for consumption in Latin America will be what George Landau, president of the Americas Society and a former U.S. ambassador to three of the five countries Bush will visit, described as formal American ''recognition'' of the policies these democratic governments have undertaken and an exhortation to do more.

With the road to economic reform still strewn with obstacles of various shapes and sizes, part of Bush's mission will be to sell the people of South America on a point some of their leaders have had trouble driving home: that short-term sacrifice can produce long-term benefits.

Bush ''will give some kind of Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval'' for what each leader is doing, Landau said, at a time when reforms in Brazil, for example, have run into opposition from business leaders and bureaucrats and austerity measures have prompted violence in Argentina and Venezuela.

''It's a lot of goodwill, a lot of rhetoric and Bush pushing them in the right direction,'' Landau said. ''He annoints them, in effect saying, 'You're doing the right thing,'' and at the same time ''same time

The approach of the visit also has served as a catalyst for progress in resolving some outstanding disputes, including U.S. complaints about the Brazilian and Argentine nuclear programs, and clearing away what one senior U.S. official characterized as ''baggage of the past,'' in the case of soon-to-be-lifted trade sanctions on Chile.

By making the trip at this time, Bush hopes to underscore his promise that the U.S. interest in Latin America will not be sidetracked by dramatic political developments in Eastern Europe and the Middle East. More to the point, his mission also carries a message that while the United States will help foster growth and development, the ultimate success of the positive trends now at work will depend on the Latin American people and not just a helping hand from their powerful neighbor to the north.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 2) UPI - Israeli workers closed down the country's banks, airport, government offices and other services Sunday to protest proposed cuts in the minimum wage and higher taxes on savings to bankroll the absorption of thousands of new immigrants.

The strike called by the Labor Party-affilated Histadrut union shut virtually the entire public sector, with more than 500,000 workers reportedly involved in the indefinite strike.

''If those clever ones at the finance ministry advise the minister of finance not to talk with strikers,'' Histadrut leader Chaim Haberfeld threatened, the strike would continue at least another 10 days. The services involved in the strike included government offices, television, radio, banks, Ben-Gurion Airport and most of the health and educational system.

Haberfeld advised Finance Minister Yitzhak Moda'i to ''calm down'' and hoped that officials from both sides would come to a compromise. The government issued back-to-work orders to more than 15 percent of its civil servants, but the strike was expected to continue at least for another day, Israel Radio reported.

The Histradut union opposes economic measures proposed by Moda'i that would cut the minimum wage by 20 percent and raise taxes on savings another 20 percent to finance an estimated $30 billion need to absorb new immigrants.

Approximately 160,000 immigrants have arrived in Israel during the first 11 months of 1990, and the numbers may reach 300,000 by April, government

officials said.

Israel's Ben-Gurion Airport, which in recent days has received up to 2,000 immigrants daily, was closed down during most Sunday. Planes loaded with immigrants were directed to military airports.

The strike was Israel's second general strike this year. The Histradut called a one-day strike earlier this year opposing proposed tax reforms by Moda'i.

Several members of Israel's right-wing government sharply critized the strike by the Labor-affiliated Histradut.

''The strike is against immigration, against the unemployed,'' Likud Minister of Economic Planning David Magen told Army Radio. He said the strike was ''a political party war.''

But Likud Foreign Minister David Levy warned ''the government should not clash with the weakest rings of our society.''

Commenting on the proposed 20 percent cut in the minimum wage, Levy, a former bricklayer from a development town, asked his colleagues at the weekly Cabinet meeting, ''how its possible to provide for a family with $400 a month.''

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#90336u0437 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 2) UPI - Peace activists opposed to a war in the Persian Gulf tried in futility well before dawn Sunday to stop 230 Marine Corps reservists from flying to North Carolina for training.

Members of the Uptown Pledge of Resistance clamped a bicycle lock on a gate at a Chicago-area Marine Corps Reserve Center, hoping to prevent reservists from leaving the facility and cause them to miss a 5 a.m. flight.

''We're taking this action because we don't want them to go over there and be killed or to kill anybody else,'' said Carl Meyer, a member of the Chicago group, which normally focuses on issues in Central America.

Fire Department personnel cut the lock around 4 a.m. and the Marines went on their way, Sgt. Daniel Pollock said. The 230 members of the 2nd Battalion, 24th Marines, 4th Division left by plane on schedule for Camp Lejeune, N.C.

The protesters left the scene and no one was arrested.

Hundreds of other reserve units left Illinois for Camp Lejeune and for the Middle East Saturday, a Marine spokesman said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 2) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker said Sunday his planned talks with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein will not become negotiations on the basic U.S. and United Nations conditions for ending the Persian Gulf crisis.

Other discussions could follow, however, if Iraq complies with the U. N. resolutions calling for withdrawal from Kuwait, restoration of the Kuwait government and release of all hostages, Baker said on NBC's ''Meet the Press.''

''We will not be negotiating backward from those United Nations resolutions ...There won't be negotiations in that sense,'' Baker said.

Later ''discussions should be between Iraq and Kuwait, quite frankly, discussions regarding the differences between those two countries,'' he said.

Baker said the purpose of the trip is to ''make sure that (Hussein) understands the international community, not just the United Nations, is very, very serious about not ruling out the option of the use of force if he is unwilling to leave Kuwait.''

While tentatively agreeing to meet with Baker, Saddam has said he wants to talk about other issues, including Israel and the Palestinian question, but U.S. officials are rejecting the suggestion.

If the issue is raised, Baker said he will tell the Iraqi leader, ''we don't think think you invaded Kuwait to help the Palestinians and if you did all you've done is hurt the Palestinians. And secondly these things should not be linked. They are two entirely different issues, and two entirely different questions.''

Baker said no date has yet been set for the trip to Baghdad, announced Friday by President Bush as part of a renewed diplomatic effort to resolve the crisis short of military action.

Former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger expressed serious reservations about the mission, saying it will not be possible to ''maintain the distinction between discussions and negotiations.''

The high-level meetings ''will inevitably lead to a negotiation,'' Kissinger said on ABC's ''This Week with David Brinkley.'' He predicted the move will lead U.S. allies to open their own contacts with Baghdad and thus weaken the anti-Iraq coalition the U.S. has forged.

Baker and Defense Secretary Dick Cheney both indicated that even if Iraq withdraws from Kuwait there still would be a need to deal with Iraq's military power and its potential for developing nuclear weapons.

''We still are going to be faced with an Iraq that has enormous military capability, and has demonstrated a desire to develop even more nuclear weapons ballistic missiles, etc.,'' Cheney said on ABC. ''It would be important to fashion in the international community a set of sanctions that were targeted specifically on those technologies that he's trying to acquire. It would be foolish for us to anything less.''

''In the aftermath of a resolution of this (Kuwait) crisis we would have to find a way to address those issues,'' Baker agreed.

Baker stressed the importance of convincing Saddam that military action against him is ''a viable and credible'' option, and he expressed disappointment that economic sanctions have not had more effect.

''We would have hoped that they would have worked now, and many major nations around the world told us they felt initially that there would be a good chance that they would work inside two or three months. It's quite clear that's not the case''

Senate Republican leader Robert Dole, also appearing on ABC, said the administration is experiencing ''a lot of frustration'' with complaints from Congress about how to deal with Iraq. He suggested Bush's plan to send Baker to Baghdad was ''in response to what he saw as an uncooperative Congress.''

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., on ''Meet the Press,'' called for more time to let the sanctions have their effect. Kennedy said they are hurting Iraq, but ''they cannot work by Jan. 15,'' the deadline contained in the U.N. resolution authorizing the use of military force.

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#90336u0478 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 2) UPI - The shuttle Columbia blasted into space this morning, six months late. Scheduled launches were postponed in May and September because of hydrogen fuel leaks. Commander Vance Brand said after he and six fellow astronauts went into orbit- ''That was really something.'' The astronauts will spend today activating their payload carrying a battery of telescopes to study X-rays and ultra-violet light from space. The flight will last 10 days.

The Soviet Union launched three men into space, including a correspondent for a Japanese television network. They will link up with the Mir station already in orbit and carrying two cosmonauts.

Food rationing began yesterday in several Russian cities, including Leningrad. It is the first rationing in Leningrad since the Nazis blockaded it during World War Two. Each Leningrad resident is allowed about three pounds of meat, two pounds of sausages, one pound of butter, 10 eggs and two pounds of

macaroni a month. Authorities say food is NOT scarce in the Soviet Union countryside... but the crippled economy makes distribution difficult.

The U-S Peace Corps is growing, partly because of the changes in eastern Europe. Romania and Bulgaria are on the tentative list of 18 new countries to get volunteers in the next year. Peace Corps volunteers already serve in Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia, mostly teaching English. Corps Director Paul Coverdell says informal talks are going on with the Soviet Union about sending a contingent.

Actress-comedian Whoopi Goldberg has won the N-Double A-C-P Image Award as entertainer of the year. She also was honored as best supporting actress for the movie ''Ghost.'' Other major Image winners were singers Anita Baker and Luther Vandross and the movie ''Glory.'' Morgan Freeman was named best actor for the move ''Driving Miss Daisy.'' Government leaders of the African nation of Chad have fled as rebel forces are reported advancing on the capital. Chadian President Hissene Habre has gone to Cameroon with his family and most of his government. Chad's ambassador in Paris said Habre left to avoid bloodshed and said he will NOT fight. Panic was reported in Chad's capital, N'Djamena. People have fled into nearby Cameroon and shops have closed.

Three gunmen got away with a 13-Million-dollar shipment of gold and other valuables yesterday in Montreal. A police spokesman said a twin- engine plane carrying the valuables was held up after it landed at Dorval Airport. The three robbers carried machine guns, but they did NOT fire them. NObody was hurt. They broke through a fence in a garbage truck to get to the runway

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(DEC. 2) UPI - The shuttle Columbia and its seven astronauts have gone into orbit after a spectacular night-time launch from Cape Canaveral. The crew will spend 10 days in space studying X-rays and ultra-violet light from distant stars and galaxies.

The Soviet Union launched a Soyuz with two cosmonauts and a Japanese reporter. It will rendezvous with the orbiting Mir station which has two cosmonauts on board.

Food rationing has begun in several Russian cities, including Leningrad. The Soviet Union has food in the countryside, but it has problems getting it into industrial cities because of the crippled economy.

Leaders of the government of Chad have fled into neighboring Cameroon to avoid advancing rebel forces. Chad's ambassador in Paris says the president of the African nation does NOT want to fight.

Three gunmen stole 13-Million dollars in precious metals and other valuables

at Dorval Airport in Montreal yesterday. They smashed through a fence in a garbage truck and held up a plane that carried the valuables.

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#90336u0544 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 2) UPI - A record 12 people are in space. The shuttle Columbia finally got off the ground at Cape Canaveral this morning, carrying seven astronauts on a scientific study mission. It had been delayed six months because of fuel leaks. Shortly after a Soyuz rocket lifted two Soviet cosmonauts and a Japanese reporter in to space from central Asia. They will link up with two cosmonauts already orbiting earth in the Soviet Mir station.

President Bush and State and Defense Department officials huddled at Camp David yesterday to discuss Iraq's reaction to Bush's call for talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. Iraq's Saddam Hussein has accepted Bush's offer, but with the condition the Arab-Israeli conflict be discussed. The officials analyzed Iraq's answer, which White House officials stress is still UNofficial.

Thousands of people demonstrated in Boston yesterday against the U-S policy in the Persian Gulf. Daniel Ellsberg of ''Pentagon Papers'' fame told the crowd NOT to trust President Bush's statement there will be NO protracted conflict like the one in Southeast Asia. Ellsberg said- ''We are here to stop this war before it starts.'' Protesters carried signs reading- ''Blood and oil don't mix.''

For the first time since 1932, free all-German elections are being held today. Helmut Kohl's coalition is expected to gain a clear majority and confirm Kohl as chancellor. Turnout is low. The Germans already have had several regional elections this year. In addition, they consider the result a foregone conclusion. The campaigning was rather dull.

Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Agostino Casaroli retired yesterday. He retires at a time when his East European policy has succeeded. The Vatican in the past year has restored relations with eastern Europe and established diplomatic contacts with the Soviet Union. The new secretary is Archbishop Angelo Sodano, a veteran Vatican career diplomat.

The F-B-I says a Florida man charged with helping smuggle tons of cocaine from Colombia to the United States has been apprehended after four years on the run. They say Michael Munday was arrested in Virginia Friday. He was armed with a knife, but offered NO resistance. The F-B-I says Munday escaped in 1986 after an unsuccessful attempt to destroy an airplane carrying cocaine which the F-B-I intercepted.

Cold air pushed into the northern Plains from Canada yesterday. Afternoon temperatures fell to single digits. Minot, North Dakota, was eight degrees. Earlier, West Yellowstone, Montana, fell to zero. Snow fell in the Cascade

mountains of Washington and Oregon and in the mountains of Idaho. Mullan, Idaho, reported three inches of snow.

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#90336u0581 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 2) UPI - Cairo radio reports the U-S-led force in the Persian Gulf region went on alert today. This followed intelligence reports of suspicious Iraqi missile activity. Some troops put on suits to repel chemical weapons. The radio says it is NOT a high-level alert.

President Bush and State and Defense officials gathered at Camp David yesterday to discuss Iraq's conditions for holding talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. Iraq's news agency says Saddam Hussein demanded the Arab-Israeli conflict be included in the talks.

The shuttle Columbia is in orbit after a spectacular night-time orbit that thrilled thousands of spectators at Cape Canaveral. The seven astronauts will spend 10 days in space doing astronomy studies.

All-German elections are being held today. Voter turnout is low. Apathy is blamed on the fact there have been several elections this year. Chancellor Helmut Kohl's coalition is expected to reject a clear majority.

Peace Corps director Paul Coverdell says the corps is sending more volunteers to eastern Europe. Romania and Bulgaria may get contingents next year and talks are going on with the Soviet Union.

The F-B-I says Michael Munday, a suspect in smuggling tons of cocaine from Colombia, was arrested in Virginia. He had been on the run for four years since trying to destroy an airplane full of cocaine which the F-B- I intercepted.

Actress-comedian Whoopi Goldberg is the winner of the N-Double A-C-P Image award as entertainer of the year. Morgan Freeman of ''Driving Miss Daisy'' won as best actor.

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#90336u0621 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 2) UPI - Cairo radio says the U-S-led multi-national force in the Persian Gulf region is on alert... but not a high state of alert. The radio says intelligence reports indicated some suspicious missile activity by Iraq. The type of missile activity is NOT known. Some of the troops were ordered to wear special suits to repel chemical weapons.

A Marine brigade and six-thousand sailors left southern California yesterday on 13 ships for the Middle East. It is the largest Marine amphibious task

force formed since 1965. The forces are expected in the Persian Gulf region shortly before January 15th... the deadline the U-N Security Council has set for Iraq to get out of Kuwait. Their exact assignment is NOT known.

Former heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali left Iraq today with 15 American hostages released by President Saddam Hussein. He flew to Jordan. The Middle East News Agency of Egypt says Ali delayed his departure, apparently in an unsuccessful attempt to try to persuade Saddam to release three more Americans. The agency also says an undetermined number of of Belgians and British freed by Hussein were on the plane with Ali.

Three Arabs attacked passengers on a bus in Israel today with knives. One passenger was killed and three wounded. Police say the assailants, all under age 20, rose from their seats and shouted ''God is great'' as the bus travelled in Tel Aviv. A policeman killed one of the three Arabs. Another was wounded and passengers apparently beat the third.

Attorney General Dick Thornburgh is visiting Hungary and Bulgaria this week to ask for their cooperation in law enforcement. The plan to visit Bulgaria is in doubt, however, because of a general strike. Thornburgh also will spend three days in Rome to meet with European law enforcement officials. The main focus will be on terrorism investigations, border security and exchanges of technology.

German authorities have issued a warrant charging former East German leader Erich Honecker with homicide. They say they have found a 1974 document signed by Honecker ordering the shooting of people trying to flee from East Germany. The warrant can NOT be served yet because the 78-year-old Honecker is being treated for cancer in a Soviet military hospital in eastern Germany.

Chinese Premier Li Peng says China's economy will undergo changes... but the emphasis still will be on central planning. Li spoke at the end of a national economic planning conference. He acknowledged China's economy has serious problems. The Communist Party leadership is to meet, probably in December or January, to approve economic policies for the next five to 10 years.

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(DEC. 30) UPI - One man's prediction of an earthquake along the New Madrid Fault from Illinois to Mississippi will prove to be the greatest non-event since a 1930s radio drama triggered panic over fictitious invaders from outer space, a geologist said Sunday.

Many residents waited anxiously for Dec. 3 to come and go, the day New Mexico climatologist Iben Browning said was the most likely for a quake. Others more skeptical partied to music like ''Shake, Rattle and Roll'' and ordered Jello for dessert so they could watch it ''wiggle.''

Northwestern University Geology Department Chairman Seth Stein joined

a long list of experts rejecting Browning's prediction.

''We are about to witness the greatest non-event since 'The War of the Worlds ''' Stein said. ''I'll state it as clearly as I can: Browing's prediction has been evaluated and determined to be complete nonsense, without scientific foundation - which is our jargon for: 'It's a crock.'''

''The War of the Worlds'' was a realistic 1938 radio drama directed by Orson Wells that described an invasion of New Jersey by men from Mars and panicked some listeners, who flooded authorities with telephone calls.

Stein said science is ''nowhere near being able to predict earthquakes with any precision. We wish we could, but we can't.''

Browning said there was a 50-50 chance of a quake along the New Madrid Fault sometime between Saturday and Wednesday, with the most likely date being Monday. The fault stretches from Illinois to Mississippi and runs through parts of Tennessee, Arkansas, Kentucky, Indiana and Missouri.

Browning has stuck by his projection based on lunar and tidal forces even though his daughter recently said recently she thinks Asia faces a better chance of a major earthquake than the central United States.

Brisk sales of earthquake insurance were reported in advance of the quake D-Day and many agents said the San Francisco quake - not Browning's prediction - was the real reason for the sales boom.

''Let me put it this way,'' Stein said. ''Anyone in the Chicago area who has bought earthquake insurance might as well have dumped it on lottery tickets.''

Dr. Paul Heigold, lead geophysicist at the Illinois State Geological Survey in Champaign, said Saturday, ''It's business as usual. It's status quo.''

Heigold said state survey offices took no extra precautions and would not be staffed outside of regular hours.

Cleanup was underway Sunday at the home of Larry Wright, 55, of Grafton, Ill., where 55 revelers joined a quake party at his newly completed home, perched seemingly precariously atop a bluff overlooking the confluence of the Illinois and Mississippi rivers.

Wright said the idea for the party came from his disdain for Browning's prediction.

''I have a weird sense of humor,'' he said. ''I like to make fun of things

that other people take seriously.

''The height of the evening was, of course, our friend who impersonated Dr. Browning,'' Wright said, adding anyone who could answer the impersonator's questions was given a cap with a mallard on top so they could ''duck.''

Guests donned hard hats, knee pads, shoulder pads and other devices to protect themselves at the gathering that wound down about 2 a.m.

''We had decorated the house with the disaster zone tapes, you know the yellow police strips you see at crime scene that say disaster zone. We had signs that said, 'It's the big one.''' And music was chosen with the quake theme in mind.

''They all had a ball,'' Wright said. ''We invited 55 people and 55 people showed up. I've never had a party where everyone showed up.''

Larry Kitsch, a spokesman for the Midwest Committee for Rational Inquiry said a special meeting was being held in Chicago Sunday night of the local skeptics group that is a member of a larger nationwide group.

''We're having this dinner facetiously,'' Kitsch said. ''We're going to order jello for dessert so we can watch it wiggle around while the earthquake is going on.''

On Browning's prediction, scientists ''don't have the technology or the knowledge to predict earthquakes. So we feel it's not going to happen.''

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(DEC. 2) UPI - Police in Belfast say a former soldier in the Ulster Defense Regiment was killed and his wife gravely wounded today in an ambush about 65 miles northwest of Belfast. Authorities believe the incident is part of a stepped-up Christmas-time offensive by the Irish Republican Army. Police said the former soldier and his wife were visiting the site of a home they planned to build when masked gunmen drove up to their car and opened fire with automatic weapons. A nurse witnessed the attack and may have saved the woman's life.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said in a French television interview that there is a 50-50 chance for finding a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Saddam says the situation depends on whether Secretary of State Baker is ready to engage in what he termed ''real dialogue'' with the Iraqis. He says that if the purpose of the face-to-face talks is portray Iraq as intransigent, then the area will be closer to war.

New York police reported this morning that five young spelunkers were trapped in a cave south of Albany when a dam burst and sent flood waters pouring into

the cave. The members of a Syracuse University club entered the cave through a dry creek bed. When the dam burst, they were trapped in an air pocket in the cave for nine hours... until the water receded and they could walk to safety.

Soviet and Western diplomats in Moscow say the number of people leaving the Soviet Union is growing and will continue to rise. But they agree that fears of a massive exodus of Millions of people after passage of a proposed emigration bill are exaggerated. They say the wave of emigration will NOT approach the levels for which some neighboring nations are preparing.

The man who broke the world record for perfect Sunday school attendance has died at the age of 100. Family members say F. Otto Brechel was still trying to make it to Sunday school classes until the last few weeks of his life. A carpenter, Brechel attended his first Sunday school class in 1902, and- as he put it in a 1988 interview- ''I just kept on going.'' Brechel received publicity in 1982, when he broke the record of 80 consecutive years of perfect attendance held by a St. Louis man who died in 1975.

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(DEC. 2) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says there is a 50-50 chance for peace in the Persian Gulf. He said in a French television interview that if face-to-face talks with the United States produce what he termed a ''real dialogue,'' the chance for peace will be greater. But he warned that if designed so the Americans can charge Iraqi intransigence, they the chance for war will be greater.

Former heavyweight boxing champ Muhammad Ali left Baghdad today with 15 newly freed American hostages from Iraq. The Middle East News Agency reported in Cairo that Ali's plane also carried an undetermined number of Belgian and British nationals released by the Iraqis. Ali had delayed his departure by one day... apparently in an unsuccessful bid to gain the release of three more Americans.

Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy says U-S Secretary of State Baker has assured Israel that the Bush administration has NOT changed its position against linking the Arab-Israeli situation to the Persian Gulf crisis. Levy received a letter from Baker on Friday.

A Japanese broadcaster and two cosmonauts rode a Soviet rocket into space this morning from the Baikonur Cosmodrome. Toyohiro Akiyama reported that he was looking out the window within seconds of the Soyuz T-M-11 spacecraft slipped into orbit.

A few hours earlier, seven Americans blasted into space aboard the shuttle Columbia, beginning a 10-day astronomy mission atop twin columns of flame in the pre-dawn sky. The flight had been delayed for six months by fuel-leak

problems.

The two launches today put a total of 10 men into orbit and established a space record. With the two Soviet cosmonauts aboard the orbiting Mir space station, there now is a total of 12 men in space.

Cold, wet weather marked the opening of the polls in Germany this morning for the first free, all-German elections in nearly 60 years. The election is expected to confirm Chancellor Helmut Kohl as the leader of the reunited country, where 60-Million registered voters are eligible to cast ballots.

About one-point-three-Million people are eligible to cast ballots today in the central Yugoslav republic of Bosnia-Hercegovina. The vote is the final round of the first multi-party elections in the republic since the communists took control of Yugoslavia after World War Two.

Canadian authorities are looking for the three masked gunmen who escaped with about 13-Million dollars in gold, silver and other valuables yesterday from a Montreal airport. Police say the three robbed a twin-engine private plane without firing a shot in a well-planned operation that began shortly after the plane landed.

Police in Hong Kong say they are holding four men in a scheme to print about seven-Million dollars worth of counterfeit U-S 100-dollar bills. They say the counterfeiting ring was broken up in a raid on a factory where about 25 of the 100-dollar bills had already been printed. NO money had been put into circulation.

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#90336u0777 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 2) UPI - Nine women ignored the advice of the British government today and left London on a trip to Iraq to try to meet with President Saddam Hussein and plead for the release of their husbands. The women left on a flight to Amman, Jordan, and are to go to Baghdad tomorrow.

Saddam, meanwhile, said in a French television interview that there is a 50-50 chance for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis if his talks with Secretary of State Baker produce what he termed a ''real dialogue.''

One of the few Iraqi allies in the situation, Sudan, today welcomed the move toward face-to-face talks between the United States and Iraq. But a government spokesman says U-S officials are trying to protect Western oil interests.

Seven Americans rode the shuttle Columbia into orbit early today from Cape Canaveral, and a few hours later they were joined in space by two Soviet cosmonauts and a Japanese broadcaster who rode a Russian rocket into space.

About 60-Million registered voters are eligible to cast ballots today in the first free, all-German elections in nearly 60 years. Cold, wet weather greeted the voters this morning.

Police in Belfast report that masked gunmen killed a former Ulster Defense Regiment soldier and gravely wounded his wife in an ambush about 65 miles northwest of the Northern Irish city.

Three Arabs riding on an Israeli bus shouted ''God is great'' and began stabbing passengers today, killing one and wounding three others before a policeman killed one of the assailants.

The British Broadcasting Corporation is quoting a Libyan news agency report that the president of Chad died while attempting to flee the capital city of N'Djamena. There is NO confirmation of the report, which comes as Libyan-back rebels advance on the city.

Authorities relaxed a curfew in the troubled capital city of Bangladesh for 12 hours today... the first break for residents since a state of emergency was declared in the nation last week.

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#90336u0889 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 2) UPI - There is an unconfirmed report today that President Hissene Habre died while trying to flee the capital city of his African nation. The British Broadcasting Corporation says one of its monitors heard the report from Libya, which allegedly is backing rebel forces in Chad. The Libyan report said Habre and several of his aides were killed while trying to flee the capital. The Chadian president dropped out of sight yesterday, reportedly to flee to neighboring Cameroon.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says there is a 50-50 chance for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. Saddam told French television in an interview that the chances for peace will rise if his face-to-face talks with Secretary of State Baker produce what he termed ''real dialogue.'' He says that if the United States intends to use the talks only as a means to charge Iraq with intransigence, then the chance for war will rise.

Nine wives of British hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait ignored their government's advice and left London today on a trip to Baghdad. They say they will try to meet with Saddam Hussein to plead for the freedom of their husbands. Iraq released more American, Belgian and British nationals today. 15 Americans plus an undetermined number of Belgian and British hostages left Baghdad on a flight with former heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali.

A group of children wants President Bush to bring a piece of a scraped missile with him when he visits Buenos Aires this week. The children wrote the

president to request a scrap of metal to match a contribution from Soviet President Gorbachev for a ''Peace Dove'' being constructed in a Buenos Aires square. Bush leaves Washington tonight on a five-country tour that includes stops in Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay, Chile and Venezuela.

An Eastern Airlines spokeswoman in Miami says federal agents seized several cartons of the carrier's maintenance records at the Florida office yesterday. The spokeswoman says the warrants were broadly drawn and involved all records relating to certain types of aircraft. Eastern and 10 employees are under indictment by a New York City grand jury that is investigating allegedly fraudulent maintenance practices by Eastern.

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(DEC. 2) UPI - President Saddam Hussein of Iraq told French television today that if what he called ''real dialogue'' results from face-to-face talks with the United States, the chance for Persian Gulf peace will rise. Saddam says the chance for war will rise if the United States tries to use the talks for propaganda.

Saddam released more Western hostages today. 15 Americans and an undetermined number of Belgian and British nationals left Baghdad on an airliner with former heavyweight boxing champ Muhammad Ali, who spent a week in the Iraqi capital.

Nine women left London today on a journey to Iraq that they hope will result in the release of their husbands... all held at so-called ''human shields'' in Iraq. The women ignored British government advice in starting the mission.

A group of peace activists in Chicago failed this morning in an attempt to prevent 230 Marine reservists from flying to North Carolina for training. The group clamped a bicycle lock on a gate at a Chicago- area Marine Reserve Center, but firefighters cut the lock, enabling the Marines to board an airport bus.

Three Arabs on an Israeli bus drew knives and stabbed passengers today, killing one person and wounding three before a police officer who happened on the incident shot and killed one of the attackers. The incident is the latest in a series of stabbings that erupted after Israeli security forces killed at least 17 Palestinians on Temple Mount in Jerusalem on October 8th.

Soviet President Gorbachev fired his interior minister today and replaced him with the former head of the Latvian K-G- B. The interior ministry is the Soviet agency charged with maintaining domestic order.

A young black man who was shot and killed by South African police during a downtown Johannesburg protest demonstration that turned violent today became

the first of his race to be buried in a formerly all-white cemetery. The 26-year-old man was one of two people killed in the incident.

The head of the umbrella organization representing striking New York Daily News unions says all legal means available will be used to try to stop subway and rail station sales of the newspaper. A federal judge last week upheld a ruling that allowed hawkers to sell the strike-bound paper in the stations.

Scores of get-well cards and flowers from fans flooded a hospital in Los Alamitos, California, for Academy Award-winning actor Burt Lancaster. The 77-year-old star is hospitalized after suffering a moderate stroke that weakened his right side and impaired his speech.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 2) UPI - The Toronto Blue Jays, hoping to improve their outfield defense, Sunday acquired two-time Gold Glove winner Devon White from the California Angels in a six-player deal.

The Blue Jays sent outfielder Junior Felix, infielder Luis Sojo and a minor-league player to be named to the Angels for White, pitcher Willie Fraser and a minor-league player to be determined.

''Basically, we're looking to Devon White for defense,'' Toronto General Manager Pat Gillick said. ''We have enough offense to carry Devon White, no matter what he hits.''

White, 27, batted .217 last year with 11 home runs, 44 RBI and 21 stolen bases - a far cry from his '87 numbers of .263 and 32 steals. He ranks fourth on the Angels' all-time list in steals with 123 and won the Gold Glove in 1988 and '89.

''Maybe Devon White needed a change of scenery,'' Toronto Manager Cito Gaston said.

''Maybe we didn't find the right key,'' California General Manager Mike Port said.

Fraser, 26, posted a career-best 3.08 ERA, pitching in 45 games in his second consecutive season out of the bullpen. In his last 38 appearances, he was 5-2 with two saves and a 2.07 ERA. Fraser posted even more impressive numbers from Aug. 5 to Sept. 12, going 3-0 in 14 appearances with two saves and a 0.40 ERA. He held left-handed batters to a .207 average, lowest among California pitchers and fourth in the AL.

Gaston said Fraser and Frank Wills will probably battle for the Blue Jays' No. 5 spot in the rotation.

Felix, 23, is expected to start in center field for the Angels. He batted .263 in his second major-league season with 15 home runs and 65 RBI. The switch-hitter had 45 extra-base hits in 127 games.

Sojo, 24, hit .296 for Toronto's Triple A Syracuse team before being recalled July 14. He was honored as the MVP in the International League All-Star Game.

''Obviously, this gives us something back in center field and a real commodity at second base as well,'' Port said.

With the Blue Jays, Sojo hit .225 while posting a .269 average with runners in scoring position.

The trade was the first between the two teams, and the first of baseball's winter meetings, which run through Wednesday.

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(DEC. 2) UPI - Secretary of State Baker says there will be NO negotiations at his face-to-face talks with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. But former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger says he has serious reservations about the mission and that ''it will NOT be possible'' to avoid negotiations.

Saddam, meanwhile, told French television interviewers that there is a 50-50 chance for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis... IF there is what he called ''real dialogue'' in the discussions. Otherwise, Saddam says the chance for war will rise.

Computer projections show Chancellor Helmut Kohl scoring a big victory in the first all-German election in 58 years today. The projections show Kohl's government coalition collecting 56 percent of the vote and dealing a crushing defeat to the Social Democrats.

Israeli banks, the airport and government offices were closed today because workers struck to protest proposed cuts in the minimum wage and higher taxes on savings to pay for the absorption of new immigrants.

Outside Tel Aviv, three Arabs on an Israeli bus pulled knives and stabbed passengers, killing one person and wounding three others. A policeman who happened upon the scene shot and killed one of the attackers.

Soviet President Gorbachev fired his interior minister today. The ministry is responsible for maintaining domestic order in the Soviet Union, and Gorbachev picked the former head of the Latvian K-G-B to take charge of the agency.

A Northwestern University geologist says the prediction of a major earthquake

along the New Madrid Fault line from Illinois to Mississippi is the greatest non-even since the 1938 ''War of the Worlds'' broadcast. Geologist Seth Stein referred to the radio dramatization of an attack on New Jersey by space invaders that set off a panic on the East coast.

Climatologist Iben Browning forecast the earthquake as likely on December 3rd. But the geologist says the prediction has been evaluated and found to be what he termed ''complete nonsense.'' Nevertheless some residents along the fault line took precautions, while others planned quake parties.

The Los Alamitos, California, Medical Center is keeping a tight lid on any information about 77-year-old Academy Award-winning actor Burt Lancaster, who was hospitalized yesterday after suffering a stroke. A spokeswoman reported only that the stroke weakened Lancaster's right side and impaired his speech.

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#90336u1283 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 2) UPI - The U-S-led multi-national went on a state of alert today on word that Iraq was testing missiles. Reports say the alert was NOT of the highest order, though some of the troops were told to don the special suits they must wear to protect themselves against chemical warfare.

The missile testing in Iraq comes on the same day that President Saddam Hussein told French television that there is a 50-50 chance for peace if there is what he termed ''real dialogue'' in talks with the United States.

Secretary of State Baker says there will be NO negotiations in his meetings in Iraq... that the basic U-S and United Nations conditions for ending the Persian Gulf crisis will stand... including an Iraqi withrawal from Kuwait.

Experts say the Detroit metropolitan area can expect a new influx of Arabs because of fears of a possible war in the Persian Gulf. They say the new immigrants will be drawn to the region by the large concentration of Arab-Americans already there.

President Bush is setting off on another overseas visit this evening. .. a week-long trip to five countries in South America... Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay, Chile and Venezuela.

Police in Johannesburg report new black-on-black violence in a squatter camp on the end of a black township east of the city. They say at least nine people were killed in fighting between backers of the African National Congress and the rival Inkatha movement.

The director of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade talks says the closing days of the negotiations this week are a crucial political test. He says the 107 nations at the talks would ''let down'' the emerging democracies

of East Europe if they do NOT reach an agreement.

Military sources in Cameroon say Libyan reports are incorrect and deposed President Hissene Habre of Chad managed to escape ahead of rebel forces. The rebel leader arrived in the Chadian capital city today and said he wants to establish a multi-party state in the African nation.

Actress-comedian Whoopi Goldberg was honored last night as ''Entertainer of the Year'' at the 23rd annual N-double-A-C-P Image Awards in Los Angeles.

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#90336u1391 12/02/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 2) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein refused to say in a French television interview whether he would be willing to withdraw from Kuwait. Saddam said there is a 50-50 chance for peace in the Persian Gulf if Secretary of State Baker engages in what he termed ''real dialogue'' in talks in Baghdad. Otherwise, Saddam said the United States will try to use the talks to prove that war is inevitable and the chance for war will rise.

Saddam gave a 45-minute interview to the state-owned French T-V network Antenna-2, insisting repeatedly that a global solution must be found to Mideast problems, including the Palestinian issue. He refused to say whether he will leave Kuwait and denied that he has an atomic bomb. He would NOT even say that he is willing to partially withdraw from Kuwait.

Officials in Saudi Arabia and Washington say Iraq was testing Scud surface-to-surface missiles today, and the B-B-C says the tests produced a heightened state of alert among the U-S-led multi-national force. U-S military officials, however, refused to say if an alert was in effect, saying it is policy to refrain from any discussion of such status.

The seven-man crew of the shuttle Columbia rocketed into orbit this morning and immediately set to work on activating a host of telescopes they carried into space for a 10-day astronomy mission. But the astronauts ran into computer problems with one of the telescopes and had periodic trouble getting a complex telescope-pointing system to lock onto the right stars. Ground controllers said they are confident that the problems will be resolved.

Soviet President Gorbachev made another move today to assert greater control over the crisis-wracked nation. He fired his interior minister and replaced him with the former head of the Latvian K-G-B. A two-sentence announcement carried by the official Tass news agency said the fired interior minister was moving to another job... but the position was NOT revealed.

Geologists are still putting down climatologist Iben Browning's prediction of a major earthquake along the New Madrid Fault from Illinois to Mississippi. But some residents of the town of New Madrid in southern Missouri are NOT so

sure. One woman packed away her fragile antiques and other collectible items, saying she believed the quake was coming because her chickens- quoting now- ''were acting strange.'' Her husband supports her view, saying their pecan trees did NOT bear any nuts this year.

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#90336u1458 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 2) UPI - Officials in Saudi Arabia and Washington says Iraqi forces fired surface-to-surface Scud missiles today in military activities inside Iraq. The say the missiles, which are capable of carrying multiple chemical warheads, landed in Iraqi territory. The B-B-C reports that troops in the U-S-led multi-national force in the Persian Gulf were put on a heightened state-of-alert. But U-S military officials won't say if an alert is in effect.

In Chad, there are conflicting reports about the fate of President Hissene Habre after rebel leader Idriss Deby launched an attack on the capital of N'Djamena. News reports from Libya says Habre was killed trying to flee the central African nation. But military sources in neighboring Cameroon say Habre escaped to a northern Cameroon town. And Chadian sources in the Cameroon capital of Yaounde also said Habre is alive.

The Columbia astronauts are circling the globe after a spectacular pre-dawn liftoff this morning. The crew is hard at work activating a suite of telescopes to begin early tomorrow looking for black holes, enigmatic quasars, exploding suns and other mind-bending space oddities. The 150-Million-dollar instruments will give scientists their first detailed look at high-energy X-rays and ultraviolet light from deep space.

Many residents along the Mew Madrid Fault line from Illinois to Mississippi are anxiously waiting for December 3rd to come and go. That's the date New Mexico climatologist Iben Browning has predicted a major earthquake will jolt the area. But geologist Seth Stein says Browning's prediction is ''complete nonsense.'' Stein says it will prove to be the greatest non-event since the 1930's radio drama, ''The War of the Worlds, triggered panic over fictitious invaders from outer space.

A wintry storm swept the nation's midsection today... spreading snow and sleet and pushing temperatures below zero in northern areas. The National Weather Service warns Midwesterners to brace for the first major storm of the season. Winter storm warnings are posted for parts of Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska, the Dakotas, Missouri, Wisconsin and Michigan. Elsewhere in the nation, snow fell over parts of Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Washington, Vermont and New York.

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#90336u1617 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 2) UPI - One of American's most popular and respected conposers is

dead. Aaron Copland died today at a suburban New York hospital after a long illness. He was 90. Copland's distinctively ''American'' music made him perhaps the most honored and best known composer of his age.

Defense Secretary Cheney confirms that Iraq today fired Scud missiles. Cheney says the missiles were fired within Iraqi territory and landed inside Iraq. Cheney says the missiles have a range of about 350 miles.

Military officials fear Iraqi President Saddam Hussein might try to use the Scud missiles to bomb civilian populations or to counter an attempt by the U-S-led multi-national forces to liberate Kuwait.

The move reportedly sent the multi-national forces into a heightened state-of-alert. U-S military officials won't say if an alert is in effect, saying that as a matter of longstanding policy, we never discuss alert status.

President Bush is on his way to South America for a five-nation visit. His first stop is Brazil, where the president isi expected to talk about free trade and laud the rebirth of democracy in the region.

In New York, jurors spent a third day of deliberations in the trial of two teens accused in the brutal rape and attempted murder of a Central Park jogger. The panel of five men and seven women resume deliberations tomorrow.

A major wintry storm barrelled into the Midwest today... plastering the area with snow and sleet and plunging temperatures below zero in some sections. It's the first big storm of the season... affecting seven states.

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#90336u1705 12/02/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 2) UPI - Secretary of State Baker confirms that official discussions are underway in Baghdad to set up meetings for direct talks with Iraq's foreign minister on the Persian Gulf crisis. Baker says the meetings will show the American people that, if war does break out, NO stone was left unturned in the search for a peaceful solution. President Bush met with his advisers to discuss the conditions for the talks... and it apears Baker will visit the Iraqi capital.

It's another week of globe-trotting for President Bush. The president will hopscotch across South America... his first stop Brazil, where he'll talk about free trade. Bush will visit five countries this week to celebrate the rebirth of democracy and free markets in Latin America. The trip is long on symbolism and short on major new proposals. But it will dramatize the reform efforts of a new generation of forward-looking Latin leaders.

In Moscow, Soviet President Gorbachev today fired his interior minister and replaced him with the former head of the Latvian K-G-B. The shakeup at the

ministry responsible for ensuring domestic order was Gorbachev's latest move to assert stronger control as the country's economic and political crisis worsen. A two-sentence presidential decree gave no official reason for the move.

Composer Aaron Copland died in suburban New York today at the age at 90. A spokeswoman at Phelps Memorial Hospital in North Tarrytown, New York, says Copland had been in failing health and entered the hospital Wednesday after suffering multiple strokes. He died this evening of respiratory failure brought on by pneumonia. Copland is perhaps best known for his scores for the ballets ''Rodeo'' and ''Appalachian Spring. ''

The nation's oldest nuclear power plant may get a facelift... amid fears its reactor vessel has become brittle after 30 years of use. Operators of Yankee Atomic Electric Company in Rowe, Massachusetts, say they're considering renovating the plant to extend its life. The renovations could cost 50-Million to 100-Million dollars. But the Boston Globe quotes Yankee-Rowe President Andrew Kadak as saying the utility is convinced ''it is cheaper to retrofit Yankee than build a new plant.''

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HERNDON, VA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - After another victory in his longstanding skirmish with cola giant Pepsico, Hampton Brown III is even more determined to penetrate the Big Three of the world's cola market.

Brown, whose Herndon-based company, Hampton Associates & Son Inc., has fought Pepsico for worldwide trademark rights to the name of his cola, Jazz Cola, for about 10 years.

In January, Pepsico relinquished its attempt to wrestle away Brown's U.S. trademark. In October, Brown won victories in Japan and Spain. That extended his ownership of the trademark rights that already included the European Economic Community markets and the United Kingdom.

Pepsico is appealing Brown's registered trademark in the United Kingdom. Seagrams and Proctor & Gamble aborted their challenges to Brown's U.S. trademark application.

Pepsico's attempts to encroach upon Brown's trademark in Japan reached a zenith with the introduction of a drink called Jazz'In, ignoring Brown's trademark.

The name Jazz is recongnizably American and projects the image Brown wants for his fresh concept in colas. Jazz contains neither caffeine nor the chemically treated caramel found in other colas.

That is important to anyone who lives in a home with children.

In 1987, the British Ministry of Agriculture accepted the European Community Scientific Committee's recommendation that caramel colouring, particularly those used in colas, be drastically reduced. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has not addressed the chemical processes for obtaining ammonia caramel.

But as each obstacle falls - such as those created by Pepsico - Brown, a small-town businessman, moves closer to to his goal of marketing Jazz, first overseas and then in the United States.

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#90337b0025 12/03/1990 ~Business Wire

SOUTH PASADENA, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Charles A. (Chuck) Crayne has joined T.H.E. Professional Software as manager of systems consulting. Crayne was formerly vice president of Technology Development for Xerox Computer Services in Los Angeles and is a 17-year veteran with IBM.

T.H.E. Professional Software offers software tools and consulting services to businesses, primarily in the areas of manufacturing and distribution systems.

Crayne was with Xerox for five years, where he was instrumental in the development of software tools to support manufacturing and distribution environments.

Following his Xerox work, he was a consultant with the Japanese-owned firm Bridgestone Software.

His role with T.H.E. Professional Software will be to introduce a new systems consulting service that will provide support to users in preserving their investment in their current software systems while taking advantage of the benefits of new systems technologies.

T.H.E. President Tom Thomson expressed the view that T.H.E. was fortunate in acquiring a senior, seasoned technical executive for this important role in helping the company achieve dramatic growth and expansion. ''We know that Chuck will contribute significantly to T.H.E.'s development and growth,'' he said, ''and we will benefit greatly from his background with Xerox and IBM.''

Crayne, who lives in Manhattan Beach, will begin his new duties immediately.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Intelligent Network Applications (INA) Monday announced and demonstrated NetMapper, the first portable tool for integrated network management systems.

NetMapper provides configuration management, monitoring and network map creation for distributed, multivendor networks. NetMapper is integrated with Sun Microsystems' SunNet Manager and Novell's LANtern products.

NetMapper discovers workstations, bridges, printers and other devices attached to LAN or segmented LAN/WAN networks. Initially creating a hierarchical graphical map of the network, NetMapper will continuously monitor a network for configuration changes and alarm network operators when changes occur.

NetMapper is shipped with a large number of vendor-specific device definitions minimizing the task of defining such devices.

NetMapper is currently integrated with SunNet Manager. In addition to its other features, NetMapper provides a complete graphical user interface to SunNet Manager's configuration database. As an enhancement to SunNet Manager, NetMapper demonstrates the usefulness of third-party network management tools that provide increased functionality for INMSs.

With an optional extension through Novell's LANtern, NetMapper is able to detect configuration changes beyond Internet-connected devices (IP devices). LANtern allows NetMapper to detect Macintosh, PC, DECnet and other non-IP devices attached to a network.

INA announced its intention to port NetMapper to other integrated management systems in the near future. PRICING AND AVAILABILITY

NetMapper requires SunNet Manager running on a SPARCstation operator console for the minimum configuration. LANtern may be added to increase the scope of NetMapper. NetMapper lists for $1,995 and is currently shipping. Volume discounts are available.

Intelligent Network Applications, based in Menlo Park, was formed in July 1990 to develop and market network management tools for use with integrated network management systems.

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MILPITAS, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Quantum Corp. (OTC:QNTM), a leading supplier of high-performance hard disk drives for personal computers; laptop, notebook and portable computers; and workstations, has announced that Jean-Pierre Patkay, 40, has joined the company as vice president of operations.

Prior to joining Quantum, Patkay spent 17 years in various engineering and managerial positions with Hewlett-Packard Corp. For the past three years, he served as general manager of Hewlett-Packard's Manufacturing Productivity Division.

His previous assignments included 10 years in manufacturing and four years in product development. He holds BSEE and MSEE degrees from Harvey Mudd College, in Claremont, Calif. He also has completed extensive post-graduate work in the Stanford Honors Co-Op program.

In his newly created role, Patkay will direct U.S. and international operations for Quantum's OEM (original equipment manufacturer) business. He has worldwide responsibility for materials, manufacturing, engineering, information systems, product manufacturing and distribution.

Since its founding in 1980, Quantum has emerged as a leading independent manufacturer of reliable, high-performance mass storage systems for business, engineering and scientific computing. The publicly held company is recognized for setting new standards of performance, quality and reliability in disk drives destined for demanding desktop workstation and PC applications.

Quantum markets its drives to OEMs and distributors worldwide. Plus Development Corp., a Quantum subsidiary established in 1983, designs and markets personal computer storage enhancement products for end users which are marketed through 2,500 dealers worldwide.

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MENLO PARK, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Raychem Corp. Monday named Dr. Joseph G. Wirth of General Electric Company its chief technical officer.

Dr. Wirth, 55, is joining Raychem as a senior vice president and a member of the corporation's Executive Committee. Dr. Wirth is filling a newly created position as chief technical officer, a role that had been filled by Raychem founder Paul M. Cook until he retired in April. Dr. Wirth will help to shape and direct Raychem's technical strategies to maintain and enhance its

worldwide leadership in material science and product development.

Dr. Wirth comes to Raychem after 25 years at the General Electric Company where for the past five years he has served as vice president and general manager of the Technology Division of GE Plastics. Prior to that time he held a variety of positions at GE's Silicone Products Division, Corporate Research and Development Center and Plastics Business.

Before joining General Electric, Dr. Wirth worked at the University of Michigan and the Boeing Company in Seattle and Huntsville, Ala.

Dr. Wirth was awarded his Ph.D. and Masters degrees in Chemistry at the University of Michigan in 1965, and he earned a BS in Chemistry from the University of Washington in 1959. He is a member of the American Chemical Society, Society of the Plastics Industry, Society of Plastics Engineers, London Chemical Society and the Council of Chemical Research. He serves on academic boards at Purdue University, and the Universities of Connecticut, Lowell and Delaware. He is currently Chairman of the Polymer Science Board of the Massachusetts Centers of Excellence.

Dr. Wirth, and his wife, Georgia, will be moving to the San Francisco Bay Area from Pittsfield, Mass. Other members of Raychem's Executive Committee are: Robert J. Saldich, President and Chief Executive Officer; Michael T. Everett, Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer; Edward A. Keible, Jr., Senior Vice President, Electronics; William E. Mitchell, Senior Vice President, Industrial; Harry O. Postlewait, Senior Vice President, Telecommunications; and Edward M. Davis, President and Chief Executive Officer of Raynet.

Raychem Corp. of Menlo Park, is an international materials sciences company with 11,000 employees in 47 countries and sales of $1.1 billion in fiscal 1990. The company develops, manufactures and markets high-performance products utilizing specialized materials for electronic, industrial and telecommunications applications.

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DALLAS (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - AUDRE Recognition Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:ADREF) announced during the opening of the Department of Defense Computer-aided Acquisition and Logistics Support (CALS) Expo '90 that UNIX and DOS compatible versions of the company's engineering drawing, map and technical document conversion software have been released.

The Beta release of the AUDRE Technical Publications Conversion System and AUDRE Drawing Conversion, version 1.0 release, are the first in a series of PC

products tailored for specific application on low-cost microcomputers.

Compatible with 286, 386 or 486 PCs (MS-DOS version 3.0 or higher), the Tech Pubs Conversion System provides the capability to transform technical documents into a CALS compliant format usable by industry standard computer publishing systems. The CALS compliant drawing conversion system provides the capability to convert drawing or map information into CAD or computer mapping databases.

The AUDRE workstation-based intelligent document conversion Beta version 5.0 is now available for existing customers, with a final release scheduled for January 1991. This release provides support for the new Hewlett-Packard (HP) Model 9000, series 400 workstations. The 400 series supports HP-UX, the OSF compliant UNIX operating system and the recently released Motorola 68040 processor.

''AUDRE is fully committed to industry established software standards,'' said Thomas F. Casey, AUDRE's chairman and chief executive officer. ''The availability of our conversion technology under OSF UNIX and MS-DOS windows virtually opens up the entire computer industry as a potential platform base for our software. 1991 should be a year of significant growth in our industry.''

AUDRE has headquarters in San Diego.

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#90337b0034 12/03/1990 ~Business Wire
SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - PacTel Corp., a subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, has agreed to lease 80,000 square feet of space at Oak Court, a 10-story office building located in Walnut Creek.

The building, developed by Taylor Woodrow (Oak Court), Inc., is expected to be renamed PacTel Center.

PacTel Corp. made the announcement Monday along with executives of Taylor Woodrow. It is the first major lease signed at Oak Court, a 206,000-square-foot building located in Contra Costa Centre and adjacent to the Pleasant Hill Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) station. It is also the largest leasing transaction in the downtown Walnut Creek/Pleasant Hill area in the last eight years.

A total of 230 PacTel Corp. employees will relocate to Oak Court from offices in San Francisco and Irvine. The move is the result of a previously announced consolidation of PacTel Corp. with the headquarters staffs of PacTel Cellular

and Pacific Telesis International. The company plans to begin taking occupancy in April 1991.

The company will occupy the seventh through 10th floors of the building, noted for its all-granite facade, its location next to BART and its immediate accessibility to Interstate 680. It is the tallest building at Contra Costa Centre, which is located approximately 35 miles east of downtown San Francisco.

PacTel Corp. also has the option to take additional square footage at the new PacTel Center for expansion purposes in the near future.

Robert Upton, president of Taylor Woodrow, said that in developing the project the company felt that the site offered a special opportunity because of its close proximity to both BART and the freeway. He added that the building was designed to appeal to Fortune 500-level companies, particularly through the use of high-quality standards of finish not often seen in suburban locations.

Oak Court, which is nearing completion, is one of the newest additions at Contra Costa Centre. Embassy Suites is scheduled to open a 234-room hotel next to Oak Court this week.

Tim Clarke and Dean Panfili, leasing agents with the commercial real estate brokerage company Cushman & Wakefield, represented Taylor Woodrow in the transaction. Jim Apple, also of Cushman & Wakefield, represented PacTel Corp.

PacTel Corp. is a subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, a worldwide diversified telecommunications company. Its subsidiary companies include, in addition to PacTel Cellular and Pacific Telesis International, PacTel Paging, PacTel Teletrac, PacTel Cable, PacTel Business Systems and PacTel Properties.

Oak Court is a development of Oak Court Partners, a joint venture between Taylor Woodrow and Nakano International Corp.

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PHOENIX (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The Talley Industries (NYSE:TAL,TALB) board of directors Monday declared quarterly dividends on the company's Series A preferred and Series B preferred stock.

The common stock dividend of $0.125 per share, is payable on Jan 8, 1991, to holders of record of the common stock at the close of business on Dec. 10, 1990.

The Series A preferred stock dividend of $0.275 per share is payable on Dec.

15, 1990, to holders of record of the Series A stock at the close of business on Dec. 10, 1990.

The Series B preferred stock dividend of $0.25 per share is payable on Jan 8, 1991, to holders of record of the Series B stock at the close of business on Dec. 10, 1990.

Talley Industries' common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol (TAL) and Series B stock under the symbol (TALB).

Talley Industries is a diversified designer, manufacturer and supplier of aerospace, industrial and commercial products and services including high-reliability electronic components and stainless steel rod and bar products.

Talley also invests in and develops real estate, primarily in the Phoenix area and operates a federally chartered savings bank as an autonomous, wholly owned subsidiary, which specializes in serving the Asian population in the greater Los Angeles area.

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#90337b0047 12/03/1990 ~Business Wire
DENVER (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Monday, Tipperary Corp. (NASDAQ:TIPR) announced two recent exploratory successes in Texas.

In Frio County, the horizontally drilled Maria No. 1 well was completed on Nov. 16, 1990, flowing 630 BOPD on a 38/64-inch choke with 150 lbs. flowing tubing pressure from the Cretaceous Austin Chalk formation. Tipperary owns a 12.5 percent WI in the well with the balance controlled by the operator, Tide West Oil Co. and its working interest partners.

In Hardeman County, the company announced the successful completion of the Evans No. 74-2 well. This well, in which Tipperary owns a 9.625 percent WI, was completed in the Mississippian Chappel Dolomite flowing 207 BOPD, 3 BWPD and 160 MCF of gas per day through perfs at 8,619 feet to 8,626 feet with 1,275 psi FTP on an 8/64-inch choke.

The Hardeman County discovery is near an abandoned producer that recovered 330,000 bbls. from the same reservoir before watering out. Enserch Exploration Inc. (the operator) owns 82 percent of the well.

Additionally the company advises that in early December it expects to receive approximately $80,000 for its share of proceeds attributable to the first 2-1/2 months oil production from the Lane No. 4 well in LaSalle County, Texas.

This horizontally drilled Austin Chalk producer has recovered 57,000 barrels of oil in approximately 75 days. The well is currently flowing 650 BOPD.

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BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Litton's Aero Products division, Moorpark, has been awarded a multimillion dollar contract by the U.S. Customs Service for 50 LTN-92 laser gyro aircraft inertial navigation systems.

The systems will be installed in various Customs Service aircraft to provide highly accurate and reliable navigation in support of the U.S. drug enforcement program. The navigation systems are the same units used by many domestic and foreign international air transport carriers.

Deliveries under the multiyear program will begin immediately.

The LTN-92 has an automatic radio navigation update capability, is designed for growth into global positioning system reception and has provision for accommodating a worldwide navigation data base.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

CONTACT: Litton Industries Inc., Beverly Hills Robert S. Knapp, 213/859-5907 (office) 805/496-2453 (home)

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BOISE, ID (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Warren E. McCain announced his retirement as chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Albertson's Inc. effective Feb. 1, 1991.

McCain will continue to be active in management as chairman of the executive committee of the board of directors and will remain an employee and director of the company. McCain has worked for Albertson's for 39 years and has served as chief executive officer since 1976. During his tenure as chief executive officer, Albertson's has grown from a West Coast regional chain with less than $1 billion in sales to the sixth largest food and drug chain in the United States with 1990 annual sales of approximately $8.2 billion.

In a prepared statement, McCain stated: ''The company is very sound financially and the future looks very bright. Now is the time for us to make

some management changes that will take us through our next growth cycle.'' The company announced the following management changes to be effective Feb. 1, 1991.

Gary G. Michael, 50, will replace McCain as chairman of the board and chief executive officer. Michael has been with Albertson's for 25 years and has served in various finance, real estate and retail operations capacities during that period of time. He is currently vice chairman and chief financial and corporate development officer.

In addition, the board of directors increased the responsibilities of John B. Carley, 56, currently president, to include the position of chief operating officer. A veteran of 40 years with Albertson's, Carley has held many positions in retail operations and will be responsible for all retail store, distribution center, transportation and private label operations.

A. Craig Olson, 39, has been appointed senior vice president, finance, and chief financial officer. Currently group vice president of finance, he will have responsibility for all accounting, finance, treasury and risk management functions. He is a 1974 graduate of the University of Idaho and is a certified public accountant.

Albertson's Inc. is the sixth largest food and drug chain in the United States and operates 527 retail stores in 16 Western and Southern states with corporate headquarters located in Boise.

CONTACT: Albertson's Inc., Boise
Warren E. McCain, 208/385-6207

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PHOENIX (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) announced that it will begin operating in the California corridor between San Francisco and John Wayne Airport at Orange County offering eight daily non-stop round trips on Feb. 1.

In addition, the carrier will offer two new non-stop round trips between San Jose and Long Beach on Jan. 6. The 10 new flights are part of a major schedule enhancement the airline is developing for early 1991.

Peter Otradovec, vice president of planning for the airline said, ''The California corridor is one of the most lucrative areas in the United States and we believe that America West is well positioned to successfully enter this market.'' He continued, ''At this time, America West serves 15 California cities including six Los Angeles area airports and three Bay Area airports.

''While many carriers offer air transportation between Los Angeles

International and San Francisco International airports, America West will provide a convenient alternative for travelers who prefer the new, modern John Wayne Airport in Orange County and the uncongested Long Beach Airport.''

In addition, the carrier announced that it will begin new international service between Phoenix and Nagoya, Japan, via Honolulu, on Feb. 1. America West will also provide additional service at many cities throughout the carrier's system. ''We believe that these schedule enhancements will fortify our overall route structure.'' Otradovec stated.

America West, the nation's number one carrier in on-time performance, operates a fuel efficient fleet of 103 aircraft including Boeing 747s, 757s, 737s and de Havilland Dash 8s. The carrier recently acquired up to 118 Airbus A320s and will operate 16 of the new aircraft by mid-1991. America West offers convenient service with more than 650 daily flights from coast-to-coast and across the Pacific to Hawaii.

CONTACT: America West Airlines, Phoenix, Daphne Dicino, 602/693-5729

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Abner J. Greshler has been appointed a director of Sterling Bank, it was recently announced by the bank president, Joseph C. Carona.

Greshler, ''Abbey'' to his many friends and associates, is a long-time Beverly Hills resident and, for the past 32 years, president of Diamond Artist Talent Agency. He also serves as president of both York Pictures Corp. and R. G. and Scarus Productions.

''We are confident that Abbey's lengthy association with the Beverly Hills community will enhance growth of our new Beverly Hills regional office,'' said Carona. ''Of course our recently established Entertainment Division can only be encouraged by having someone with his stature in the entertainment industry actively involved with Sterling Bank.''

Greshler began his distinguished career at the age of 15, managing some of the day's most popular artists, including Xavier Cugat and Paul Whiteman.

Over the years he has been responsible for boosting the careers of many of Hollywood's legends. The comedy duo Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis was put together by Greshler. During the years they performed together, Abbey also produced their TV show, tours and many motion pictures as well.

The roster of his Diamond Artists Talent Agency reads like a ''who's who'' in Hollywood. He has represented such stars as Al Jolson, Danny Kaye, Jack Klugman, Tony Randall, Vince Edwards, David Janssen, Cloris Leachman and

Milton Berle.

No stranger to television, Abbey has been associated with some of TV's most memorable series, including ''The Fugitive,'' ''Ben Casey,'' ''Quincy,'' ''The Odd Couple'' and ''Harry-O.''

His contribution to the entertainment industry was recognized in 1988 when his peers, The Association of Talent Agents, honored him with their 50th Anniversary celebration. Greshler and his wife Vi also contribute their time and energy to countless civic and charitable organizations, among them, Share Inc., which Vi helped found, the Los Angeles Free Clinic and Jules Stein Eye Institute.

Sterling Bank's corporate headquarters and main office is located in Los Angeles. Other regional offices are in Burbank, Tarzana, Glendale and Beverly Hills.

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Donna Dervin, 213/384-4444

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COVINA, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas A. Bishop, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of California State Bank (NASDAQ:CSTB) announced that the acquisition by California State Bank of Empire Bancorp and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Empire Bank, N.A., through a merger of the respective institutions was completed Dec. 3.

The combined institutions, with assets of over $325 million, will be known as California State Bank.

California State Bank has headquarters in Covina and has additional branches in Alhambra, Arcadia, Beaumont, City of Industry, Ontario, Rancho Cucamonga and West Covina, and an office to be opened in December in Victorville.

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Thomas A. Bishop, 818/967-2411

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PITTSBURG, KS (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - National Pizza Co. (PIZA) Monday announced it purchased substantially all the business assets and certain associated real estate of 20 Long John Silvers restaurants in the Denver and Colorado Springs areas.

The total purchase price was approximately $5.1 million which included ten

real estate parcels.

The company anticipates converting 13 of the restaurants to Skipper's Seafood 'n Chowder House Restaurants thus providing the company with a total of 32 restaurants in the areas. Seller will retain certain lease obligations on the restaurants not converted.

Gene Bicknell, chief executive officer, said, ''This purchase of the only other major competitor in the quick-service seafood segment in the Denver area will enable us to increase our presence in this important market, gain better brand recognition, and improve marketing efficiencies.''

National Pizza is the largest Pizza Hut franchisee in the world and operates 362 franchised Pizza Hut restaurants and delivery units in 13 states. Upon completion of this transaction, the company will also operate and franchise 215 Skipper's Seafood 'n Chowder House Restaurants in 12 western states and British Columbia.

The company stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the sysmbol PIZA.

CONTACT: National Pizza Co., Pittsburg
J.J. Fitzsimmons, 206/885-2116

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Digital Microwave Corp. (DMC) (NASDAQ:DMIC) announced Monday that Donald H. MacLeod has joined the company as vice president and general manager of the company's Canadian subsidiary, DMC Telecom Canada Inc.

In this position, MacLeod will be responsible for all activities of the subsidiary, and will report to George Roberts, chief operating officer.

''We are pleased to welcome Donald MacLeod to our management team, we believe his experience in the Canadian market will make a significant contribution to our expansion efforts in this area,'' commented William E. Gibson, president and chief executive officer of Digital Microwave Corp.

MacLeod brings to his new position 18 years of sales, marketing and engineering experience in the Canadian telecommunications industry. Most recently, he served as director of sales for SR Telecom in Montreal.

With headquarters in San Jose, Digital Microwave Corp. is a leading supplier of high performance short-haul transmission products to domestic and international markets.

CONTACT: Digital Microwave Corp., San Jose William E. Gibson, or Anita J. Bing, 408/943-0777

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BOISE, IDAHO (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Albertson's Inc. board of directors at their regular quarterly meeting on Dec. 3, 1990, declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 12 cents per share.

Warren E. McCain, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the Boise-based retail food-drug chain, said that the cash dividend will be payable on Feb. 25, 1991, to stockholders of record on Feb. 8, 1991.

CONTACT: Albertson's Inc., Boise, A. Craig Olson, 208/385-6284

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CHICAGO (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. and the Dean Witter Financial Services Group announced that Sears indirect wholly owned subsidiary Discover Receivables Financing Group Inc., filed Monday with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement for the issuance and sale of $500 million of Discover Card Trust 1990 E Credit Card Pass-Through Certificates through an underwriting syndicate to be managed by Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co.

The principal asset of Discover Card Trust 1990 E will consist of credit card receivables generated or to be generated by the Discover Card. The certificates will represent undivided ownership interests in the trust.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

A copy of the prospectus, when available, may be obtained from Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., Two World Trade Center, New York, NY, 10048 or Goldman, Sachs & Co., Prospectus Department, 85 Broad St., New York, N.Y., 10004.

CONTACT: Sears, Roebuck and Co., Chicago
Gerald E. Buldak, 312/875-8371

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EAST HANOVER, NJ (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The Ultimate Corp. (NYSE:ULT) Monday announced that Geoff Bowerman has been promoted to the newly created position of senior vice president - international operations.

According to Ultimate Chairman and President Michael J. O'Donnell, Bowerman will report directly to O'Donnell and will be responsible for all revenue-generating operations outside of North America. These include direct and indirect sales channels and customer services in Europe.

Bowerman joined Ultimate in February 1989 and most recently served as vice president - European operations. Before coming to Ultimate, Bowerman was vice president of sales - Europe for General Automation Inc., where he was responsible for all sales activities in General Automation's United Kingdom and European subsidiaries.

Prior to General Automation, Bowerman was commercial director for the United Kingdom and international operations for Plessey Peripheral Systems Inc. In this position he was responsible for all dealer, direct and distributor areas, together with field service and maintenance operations.

Bowerman also held positions at Sperry Univac, now Unisys. He was manager for Ireland and Scotland and later transferred to London to assume responsibility for the company's major city and financial customers.

He held various sales and management positions with NCR where his responsibilities included the sales of turnkey solutions in the fields of industry, commercial, medical, education and government.

Bowerman graduated from Poole Grammar Sixth Form College majoring in history and geography. He resides in Dorset, England, with his wife, Sandra, and their five children.

Ultimate provides business solutions to companies of all sizes by integrating system-level software and applications software on hardware platforms from premier computer vendors such as Bull Hn, Hewlett Packard, IBM and Sequoia Systems. The firm also provides education, training, consulting and field-maintenance services to customers across a wide range of vertical markets.

In addition to its North American operations, Ultimate has subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, France and Australia.

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or

The Ultimate Corp., East Hanover
John Eyre, 201/887-9222

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SANTA CLARA, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - RasterOps Corp. Monday announced a Video Tuner for its SPARC Card TC PIP, adding on-screen control to the only high-resolution, 24-bit color product with live TV-in-a-window capability for the Sun Microsystems SPARCstation.

The Video Tuner enables users to control functions such as audio, channel contrast, brightness and volume through an on-screen control panel. It can receive UHF and VHF signals from antenna inputs and CATV from cable input. The tuner then outputs the video signal to the SPARC Card TC PIP (True Color/Picture-in-Picture). The Video Tuner has a built-in audio amplifier and speaker.

With the RasterOps SPARC Card TC PIP and the TV Tuner, stockbrokers can watch financial news while working on a spreadsheet, and teachers can access educational programming in the classroom without the need for a television monitor.

The SPARC Card TC product is a 24-bit color SBus display card. The PIP Video Option is a daughter card installed directly onto the main card's surface. The two products together provide users with the ability to work with more than 16.8 million colors simultaneously to produce photographic quality images as well as importing and capturing live video images.

This capability is ideal for applications such as desktop publishing, color pre-press, image processing, geographic information systems, mulitmedia and interactive training. True Color is especially crucial when the computer-generated images must be of photographic quality.

The PIP Video option provides a sizable live video window that can be placed anywhere on the screen. The video window acts as a standard Sun window from any application. Video can be run simultaneously with other applications (e.g. GIS packages, graphic design, layout, spreadsheet, etc.), which provides users a dynamic information input source.

Suggested retail price for the RasterOps SPARCstation TV Tuner is $495, available in January. Suggested retail price for the RasterOps SPARC Card TC PIP is $6,990. It is available immediately.

RasterOps Corp., headquartered in Santa Clara, designs, manufactures and markets photorealistic color-imaging products for Sun SPARCstation, Macintosh, IBM PC and Digital RISC-based workstation platforms. RasterOps products are designed primarily for the graphic arts, printing, publishing and related

industries.

CONTACT: RasterOps Corp., Santa Clara
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or
Miller Communications, Mountain View, Calif.
Mark Olson or Jeff Yontz, 415/962-9550

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PLEASANT HILL, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Giga-tronics Inc. Monday announced a major realignment of sales responsibilities.

Rene Chikhani, who previously had held the position of vice president of International Sales, has been appointed vice president of Worldwide Sales and Service. In addition to continuing responsibility for international sales, Chikhani adds to his organization U.S. sales, customer service and all sales administration functions. Robert E. Loft, U.S. Sales Manager, and Jeffrey W. Kilburn, Manager of Customer Service, now report to Chikhani.

Previously, U.S. sales, customer service and sales administration reported to Howard W. Mette, vice president of marketing. Mette continues in charge of product marketing activities.

Giga-tronics designs, manufactures and markets a broad line of synthesized microwave signal sources, generators and sweepers for customers in the defense aerospace and telecommunications industries around the world. The company is located in Pleasant Hill.

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Donald F. Bogue, 415/680-8160

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. (ASE:PWB), the parent company of the $1.2 billion Pacific Western Bank, declared a semi-annual cash dividend of 12 cents per share at its recent monthly board meeting.

It matches the 12 cents per share dividend first paid a year ago which had increased from 9 cents paid in July of 1989. The new dividend will be payable Jan. 21, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 17, 1990.

Phillip R. Boyce, chairman and chief executive officer, made the dividend announcement and added that the company has met its performance objectives in the year to date period. ''During the first nine months of 1990, we increased

net income by 41 percent over 1989, from $9 million to $12.8 million, which raised earnings per share from 74 cents to $1.01. We increased our return on equity from 17.6 percent on an annualized basis to 20.3 percent.

''These record earnings underscore management's success in making the tough decisions necessary to overcome the challenges of the economy and turn them into advantages during 1990,'' he noted.

''An example of this is expense control where we have reduced our ratio of non-interest expense from 4.96 percent to 4.66 percent of average assets. That was achieved while increasing our asset base 25 percent through internal growth and acquisitions.

''Our earnings growth and high levels of return on equity are further proof of the strategy which emphasizes those lines of business we know best in the market ares where we have long term experience and expert knowledge. This strategy serves our shareholders and, at the same time, reinforces our commitment to the growing communities where our customers live and work,'' Boyce concluded.

Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. is a bank holding company. Through its subsidiaries, the company offers trust and asset management services. The holding company's Pacific Western Bank has 28 locations in three counties serving California's Santa Clara Valley and Monterey Bay area.

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Phillip R. Boyce, 408/244-1700, ext. 3205

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Computer Sciences Corp. (NYSE:CSC) has been awarded a $120 million contract by the General Services Administration (GSA) for system development and software support services for business applications in GSA'a Pacific Zone.

The Pacific Zone includes California, Arizona, Nevada, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Hawaii, Alaska and Mariana Islands.

The award makes CSC the principal supplier of system development services to federal agencies in the Pacific Zone. In August 1990 GSA selected the company to provide similar services for agencies' scientific and engineering applications under a contract valued at $48 million.

Under its latest contract, the company will assist the GSA and other federal agencies with computer applications in business areas such as accounting, finance and budget, economics, inventory and logistics and personnel administration. Services to be provided include systems design and

integration, prototyping, software development, hardware assessment and computer operations.

The work will involve both off-the-shelf and custom-designed hardware and software products.

CSC's Applied Technology Division will perform the work, which will have headquarters at Walnut Creek, Calif. Major area offices will be located at San Diego and Ventura, Calif.; Bremerton, Wash.; and Honolulu.

The new contract covers an initial one-year period and renewal options for an additional three-and-a-half years. CSC values the award at $24.8 million for the first year, and at $120 million for the entire 54-month period if the government exercises all its options.

CSC is a major supplier of computer and communications systems and services to government and industry.

CONTACT: Computer Sciences Corp., El Segundo
C. Bruce Plowman or Jim Furlong, 213/615-0311

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MEXICO CITY (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Alaska Air Group Inc. Monday announced the declaration of a quarterly dividend of five cents per share of common stock.

The dividend will be paid on February 5, 1991, to shareholders of record as of the close of business on January 15, 1991.

Alaska Air Group, the parent corporation of Alaska Airlines and Horizon Air, is listed on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

CONTACT: Alaska Air Group, Seattle, Lou Cancelmi, (206) 433-3170 or Greg Witter, (206) 431-3799.

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BERKELEY, CALIF. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - TENERA L.P. (ASE:TLP) announced Monday that D. Louis Peoples has joined the company as a senior vice president of the Nuclear Services Division.

Peoples will be based in TENERA's Berkeley office.

Peoples has extensive experience in both the technical operations and financial aspects of the electric utility industry. He comes to TENERA from

Bechtel, where he most recently served as vice president, Bechtel Consulting and Management Services. Peoples has over 25 years nuclear power experience, including positions with Commonwealth Edison Co., Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp., and the Navy Nuclear Submarine Program. He has also earned credentials in finance as a registered CPA and former corporate controller at McGraw Edison Co. Peoples is a graduate of Stanford University and the Harvard Business School.

Don K. Davis, chairman and chief executive officer of TENERA's general partner said: ''With the addition of Lou Peoples to our management team we are expanding our capability to offer integrated financial and technical services to assist clients to materially improve the business performance of electric power production. We hope to significantly expand into this market with capability specifically oriented to the U.S. electric utility industry.''

TENERA, L.P., provides professional services and software products for utilities and large industrial corporations through offices in Arizona, California, Connecticut, Idaho, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Carolina, Tennessee and Paris, France.

CONTACT: TENERA, L.P., Berkeley, John J. Flavio Jr., 415/845-5200

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Earl Scheib Inc. (ASE:ESH) Monday set forth resolutions declaring a quarterly cash dividend of 9 cents per share payable on Jan. 11, 1991, to stockholders of record as of Dec. 27, 1990.

Earl Scheib Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income

	Second Quarter Ended Oct. 31,		Six Months Ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$16,660,000	$15,347,000	$33,635,000	$32,535,000
Income before taxes	1,849,000	1,543,000	4,052,000	4,003,000
Income taxes	710,000	616,000	1,564,000	1,548,000
Net income	$ 1,139,000	$ 927,000	$ 2,488,000	$ 2,455,000
Net income per share	25 cents	21 cents	55 cents	54 cents
Shares outstanding	4,563,000	4,563,000	4,563,000	4,563,000

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John K. Minnihan, 213/652-4880

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LONDON (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - "We're shrinking our world down to size, rendering distinctions between night and day, East and West, and 'your nation or mine' irrelevant...we're evolving to the point where the entire planet will be wired together, in one unified system."

Speaking at the Financial Times World Telecommunications Conference, William T. Esrey, chairman and chief executive officer of United Telecommunications Inc., which owns Sprint, talked about the pivotal role telecommunications plays in developing the global market, where companies can offer products that appeal to consumers around the world.

According to Esrey, whether or not international companies take a centralized or decentralized approach to their business management and their telecommunications systems will no longer be an issue in the 1990s. He said the more critical issue will be the ability of telecom technology to support rapid decision-making and of telecommunications providers to form effective partnerships.

Esrey is best known as the executive whose vision led to development of what is arguably the most advanced long distance network in the United States: Sprint's nationwide 100 percent fiber-optic, all-digital network.

He is now leading the company's strategic thrust in worldwide markets, where he sees advancements in the telecommunications industry giving consumers unprecedented opportunities to demand new services from their long distance carriers.

Referring to advanced telecommunications as "the single most powerful tool available today to the global business operator," Esrey said that the emergence of such universal markets is driven by a concept he calls the "global mind."

The global mind, he said, comes with the development of a worldwide telecommunications network featuring intelligent information processing and communication.

"It will mimic the human mind, whose hemispheres communicate through electrical pulses we call synapses. The global mind will similarly flash intelligent, decision-support information from one hemisphere to another, with synapsal speed, through a comprehensive intelligent telecommunications network reaching out and embracing the world," Esrey said.

According to Esrey, such capabilities will enable global corporations to overcome many of the obstacles that widely dispersed geographic operations place in the way of effective management. He noted that sheer size can hamper a corporation's movement into growing international markets, because it must create more management layers, and more steps in the decision-making process.

CONTACT: United Telecom/Sprint, London, Susan Kraus, 011-44-71-409-3131 or Washington, (202) 828-7422; or Vince Hovanec, (202) 828-7423; after 7 p.m. (202) 387-1496.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Denver-based securities dealer Chatfield, Dean & Co. Inc. announced Monday that it had obtained an order from a Florida court requiring the Comptroller's Office to register to Chatfield Dean the Florida offices formerly licensed to The Stuart-James Co. Inc.

The decision was issued late Friday after a hearing before the Hon. N. Sanders Sauls. The case, No. 90-5173, was filed in Leon County, Florida Circuit Court.

Chatfield Dean's president, Sanford D. Greenberg, said, "This order removes the final obstacle to the liquidation of Stuart-James. It assures protection of Stuart-James' customers whose accounts could have been frozen had that company gone bankrupt. We look forward to being of service to those customers."

In addition to the Florida offices, two of which are in Tampa and one each in Boca Raton and Clearwater, Chatfield Dean now has offices in Denver; Chicago; San Diego; Seattle; Darien, Conn.; Bethesda, Md.; Roslyn, N.Y.; Atlanta; and Irvine, Calif.

Greenberg stressed that his company will not be involved in the "penny stocks" handled by Stuart-James. "Our company offers investors safe, conservative investments appropriate to fixed income customers, discount brokerage services where the customer can talk to a broker instead of a clerk, professional portfolio management, and investment opportunities in capital formation for sound ongoing companies," Greenberg said.

CONTACT: Chatfield Dean & Co. Inc., Englewood, Sanford D. Greenberg, 1-800-873-7707 or (303) 740-7707.

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HAYWARD, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Monitek Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:MTEK), announced Monday that it has entered into a software license agreement with a leading U.S. biotechnology firm.

The agreement provides for licensing of Monitek software relative to its Cell Density Analyzer, which is used to obtain optical density measurements as a means of accurately monitoring a dynamic biometric system, such as a fermentation process. It will allow the licensee to link the Cell Density Analyzer to a main frame computer system that is used to control its processes.

Ken Anderson, Monitek's chief executive officer, stated that it is the company's goal to secure several such agreements with major biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies, both in the United States and internationally.

Monitek Technologies is a technologically advanced instrument manufacturer at the forefront of the liquid monitoring industry. Utilizing optical, magnetic, ultrasonic and acoustical technologies, the company can analyze and measure liquids used in industrial and waste water environments.

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or
Kehoe, White, Savage & Co., Long Beach, Calif.
James K. White, 213/437-0655

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SAN JOSE, CALIF (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Anthem Electronics announced that Wayne B. Snyder, 39, has been promoted to vice president of Finance, chief financial officer and secretary of the corporation.

Snyder joined Anthem in February 1988 as corporate controller.

Before joining Anthem, Snyder held executive financial positions at Holt Inc. and Dillingham Corp.

Anthem Electronics Inc. distributes a broad range of semiconductor and subsystems to orignial equipment manufacturers throughout the United States.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Energex Minerals Ltd. (TSE:EGX/NASDAQ: EGEX-F) announced that Giddings Ltd., a Texas limited partnership in which Energex owns a 10 percent interest, sold its 25.25 percent interest in a natural gas gathering system.

As a result Energex received a cash distribution of $930,000. An additional estimated $100,000 has been withheld by the general partner of Giddings Ltd. for the final accounting and reinvestment in a CASE tools (Computer Aided Software Engineering) producer. Proceeds from the distribution will be used in part to exercise the option on the U.S. producing properties discussed below.

As previously disclosed, Energex assisted a London-based company (the ''Buyer'') in acquiring interests in approximately 150 producing oil and gas

wells located offshore in the Gulf of Mexico and onshore n Oklahoma and Kansas. In exchange for its services, Energex earned an option to acquire a one-third interest in the acquired properties on the same terms and conditions as the Buyer.

The Option period will extend for six months from the final closing which is anticipated to occur in mid-December. The option exercise price is $2.67 million. The effective date of the transaction upon exercise of the option will be July 1, 1990.

Financing to exercise the option will need to be arranged. It is anticipated that the acquisition funds will be a combination of the proceeds from the sale of the natural gas gathering system discussed above, production revenues from the properties themselves from July 1, 1990, to the option exercise date, production related debt and a private placement of equity.

CONTACT: Energex, Vancouver
Richard C. Atkinson, 604/684-1258
or
Giddings Ltd., Houston
R. Dean Graves, 713/951-9373

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#90337b0210 12/03/1990 ~Business Wire
CHULA VISTA, CALIF (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The shareholders of Rohr Industries Inc., at the annual meeting of shareholders held Dec. 1, elected W. W. Booth, R. H. Goldsmith and James J. Kerley for two-year terms expiring in 1993.

CONTACT: Rohr Industries Inc., Chula Vista, Roger Renstrom, 619/691-2610

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GREENWICH, Conn. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The Fund American Companies Inc. (NYSE:FFC) Monday announced it has agreed to sell to Freeport McMoRan Inc. the 7,578,500 shares of Freeport's common stock held by Fund American and its subsidiaries at a price of $34.75 per share in cash.

The closing of the sale is subject to approval by Freeport's bank group. Assuming that the closing of the sale occurs, sales of securities from Fund American's continuing operations' portfolio of common equity securities and other long-term investments since Sept. 30, 1990, will total approximately $375 million.

The statement in Fund American's proxy statement dated Nov. 16, 1990, that securities with a book value of $249 million had been sold since Sept. 30,

1990, was not correct.

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MELVILLE, N.Y. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - HUMANCAD Monday announced Mannequin, the first PC-based software package that integrates moving human likenesses into computer-aided design (CAD) and graphic design software.

This innovative product implements the ''human fit'' into its graphics to change the way products are developed.

''We created Mannequin because many of today's products do not fit the needs of individual customers,'' said Ken Goodman, HUMANCAD vice president and general manager. ''Too often, customers tolerate products that are too small, too large, uncomfortable, or unsafe. Mannequin can dramatically improve the appeal of thousands of products by allowing designers to meet individual customers' needs, by matching product designs to different human body types.''

Mannequin actually implements the human fit into the design process. It utilizes advanced technologies and graphics to develop moving, fully dimensional human likenesses that can see, walk, bend, and grasp objects in a quantifiable, ergonomic manner. The program uses extensive ergonomic data to allow users to combine specific likenesses of men, women, and children of different sizes, shapes, and nationalities into a design.

The program can be integrated with most popular CAD and graphics software packages, such as AutoCAD, Generic CADD, Corel Draw, Micrografx Designer, Harvard Graphics, and Aldus Pagemaker to provide the user with a variety of design options.

Mannequin draws human figures from 10 world populations, including the North and South Americas, Europe, and the Far East. The package also draws five different body sizes from extra small to extra large. Specific body parts, such as arms, legs or heads, can be drawn to different scales as well. Advanced hidden line and solids modeling features allow the user to develop two- and three-dimensional images to enhance the human-like qualities of the program.

HUMANCAD's pioneering software represents a natural extension of its parent company, Biomechnics Corp. of America (BCA) of Melville, N.Y. A publicly held company, BCA is the largest ergonomics consulting firm in the U.S.

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HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Dec. 3, North Atlantic Industries, Inc. (NATL/NASDAQ), today announced that it has completed the acquisition of certain assets of the Mesa Systems Division of Mesa Technology Corporation previously announced on August 29, 1990.

The Mesa Systems Division focuses on the integration and sale of computer systems based on Intel 386 and 486 platforms which are customized to meet ''rugged'' and TEMPEST requirements for Department of Defense applications.

Mesa's customer base is comprised primarily of intelligence agencies whereas North Atlantic's traditional customer base has been the armed services of the Department of Defense. These products will complement North Atlantic's existing ''rugged'' and TEMPEST peripheral products-based business.

North Atlantic Industries designs, manufactures and markets computer, computer peripheral, communications and instrumentation products to government and aerospace industry customers.

The company is a leading supplier of TEMPEST printers, MIL-SPEC teleprinter and tape storage systems, as well as phase sensitive instruments.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - International CMOS Technology Inc. (ICT), (OTC:pink sheets) announced Monday production of a new ultra-fast PLD (Programmable Logic Device), an integrated circuit used by manufacturers of high-speed computers and electronic systems.

The PEEL22CV10A-10 utilizes ICT's new 1-micron CMOS (Complementary-Metal-Oxide-Semiconductor) EEPROM process, the first of its kind to achieve speeds through the device as fast as 10 nanoseconds (10 trillionths of a second). PEEL which stands for Programmable Electrically Erasable Logic is ICT's trademark for its family of PLD products.

Drew Osterman, ICT's president and chief executive officer stated: ''The PEEL22CV10A-10 is our flagship product for 1991. The standard 22V10 device, offered by several semiconductor manufacturers such as Lattice, Cypress and AMD, is the single most popular PLD architecture with estimated sales of over $150 million out of a total $850 milion PLD sales in 1990 (source: preliminary 1990 estimates In-Stat Inc.).

''However, other PLD manufacturers have yet to break the 15-nanosecond CMOS 22V10 speed barrier in a market that demands the highest speeds.

The PEEL22CV10A-10 allows high-speed computer and electronic equipment manufacturers such as Compaq, DEC, AT&T and Northern Telecom, to operate their systems at extremely high clock frequencies keeping pace with the fastest 16-bit and 32-bit microprocessors.

International CMOS Technology Inc. (ICT) designs, manufactures and markets user-programmable integrated circuits. ICT's products include a variety of memory and logic devices, and the software and hardware development tools for designing with programmable circuits.

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DALLAS (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - CYBERTEK Corp. (NASDAQ:CKCP) Monday announced the signing of a major agreement with PennCorp Financial Inc., Santa Monica, Calif.

Through its major subsidiary, Pennsylvania Life Insurance Co., PennCorp Financial has focused its activities predominantly in the accident and health field although a considerable amount of ordinary life business is also conducted.

Under the terms of the agreement, CYBERTEK will provide its CK4/VS licensed software and Strategic Business Support (SBS) Services to PennCorp Financial and its subsidiary companies. An agreement has also been reached for CYBERTEK to assist in the conversion from PennCorp and its subsidiary companies' current life administration system.

The company ultimately plans to convert all of their individual life and health policies to the CK4/VS system.

Now in its 21st year, CYBERTEK has long been considered a pioneer in the development of real-time computer systems and software programs designed to increase user productivity for insurance customers.

CYBERTEK's headquarters are located in Dallas.

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EL MONTE, CALIF. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Fujitsu has named Marshall Industries (NYSE:MI) their largest mass storage distributor for 1990 with an award presented to Bob Edelman, Marshall vice president of computer products.

Marshall has surpassed Wyle, Schweber, Avnet Technology and Pioneer to become Fujitsu's leading industrial distributor.

''This is just one more example of our commitment to providing our customer base with the best choices available for meeting their mass storage needs,'' stated Edelman. ''We also carry Sony, Maxtor, Quantum and Tandberg drives and are constantly pursuing new ways to increase our presence in the mass storage marketplace,'' Edelman concluded.

Marshall Industries supplies and services the electronics industry through a network of industrial electronic distribution centers located throughout the United States and Canada. Marshall's products include electronic components; integrated circuits; connectors; memory and computer products; electronic production supplies and hand tools and electronic assembly equipment.

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BOSTON (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Ernst & Young Monday opened its Center for Information Technology and Strategy in the Beacon Hill area of Boston, in a town house built in 1804.

The center serves as a focal point for advanced thinking on the linkage between information technology and business strategy.

Center professionals provide industry-based strategy consulting and develop original research programs. They work closely with Ernst & Young consultants from the rest of the firm.

The Center, at One Walnut Street, will house 40 consultants, professionals and staff.

''We have created an oustanding capacity to assist clients' senior management in getting more out of their information technology investments,'' said Alan Stanford, Ernst & Young's National Director of Information Systems Consulting.

Ernst & Young, the international professional services firm with over 100 U.S. offices, is a leading provider of wide-ranging information systems consulting services. Conceptual skills available through the center and research conducted by its professionals strengthen the firm's existing prowess in information technology management.

Ernst & Young has recently developed leading-edge studies of the aerospace, defense, and biotechnology industries as well as reports on American competitiveness and information security.

According to Bernard F. Mathaisel, the center's managing director, ''Information technology strategy consulting requires understanding of and strong experience in business strategic planning, leading-edge technologies, and the marketplace, as well as special management process skills which facilitate analysis and presentation of the ideas and recommendations to senior executives. Ernst & Young has significant capabilities in all these areas.''

Ernst & Young is the leading international professional services firm with 65,000 people in more than 600 cities in over 100 countries, including 24,000 people in more than 100 U.S. cities. For more information, please contact Howard Bailen of Ernst & Young at 212/773-6148.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Fujitsu Systems of America Inc. Monday announced a contract to supply Wells Fargo Bank with Fujitsu's ACT 4000 automated teller machines (ATMs).

Fujitsu's ATMs will be installed in four new Wells Fargo branch locations in Safeway stores. These ATMs will join Fujitsu's installed base of over 50,000 ATMs worldwide.

Fujitsu ACT 4000 in-lobby ATMs will be installed in each selected Safeway location during December and first-quarter 1991, providing 24-hour ATM convenience. The in-store branches, located in Novato, Healdsburg, Antioch and Santa Rosa, will operate seven days a week, offering the full range of

banking services to customers.

One key feature is ACT 4000's innovative color graphics screen displays. A wide array of icons, color choices, font sizes and special effects, including animation, provides greater overall readability and simplifies transaction lead-through.

Another key advantage is installation flexibility. Since space is at a premium in small branch environments, ACT 4000's small footprint and front-service access for replenishment minimizes space requirements for these in-store locations.

In addition to the full range of banking services, Wells Fargo's new branch locations will offer convenient 24-hour service through use of ATMs. As a result, continual ATM security and reliability are a necessity. The secure ACT 4000's superior reliability meets the rigorous standards required for 24-hour unattended operation.

Fujitsu ATMs have a high reliability record with an average of 20,000-plus transactions between hardware service calls.

The ACT 4000 is a member of Fujitsu's family of ATM products that includes in-lobby, through-the-wall and drive-up terminals. Fujitsu was the first ATM vendor in the United States to offer color graphics with the ACT product line.

Safeway, the nation's third-largest grocery chain, operates 877 stores in the United States and 220 stores in Northern California. Wells Fargo Bank is the principal subsidiary of Wells Fargo & Co., the 11th-largest bank holding company in the United States.

Fujitsu Systems of America Inc. is one of the Fujitsu Ltd. family of companies. A global leader in computer and telecommunications technology, Fujitsu Ltd. has annual revenues greater than $16 billion. Fujitsu Systems of America, a major supplier of end-user systems to the U.S. market, designs, develops and markets automated teller machines, retail point-of-sale systems and handheld computer systems.

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CLINTON, N.J. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - FiatAvio and Foster Wheeler Italiana, S.p.A. announced Monday the incorporation of a new company, F.FW FiatAvio-Foster Wheeler per l'Energia S.p.A.

F.FW will design and install power plants based on the use of gas turbines utilizing advanced cogeneration and combined cycle technologies.

Cogeneration and combined cycle plants make use of the residual heat of the flue gas released by the turbines to produce additional electric or thermal energy. This provides a substantial improvement in overall efficiency, with further reduction of the emission levels, already low because of the use of gas.

FiatAvio, with a 60 percent equity participation, will contribute with its know-how and experience in the design and manufacturing of gas turbines.

Foster Wheeler Italiana, with a 40 percent share, will contribute with its experience in the design of power plants and in the manufacture of heat recovery boilers.

F.FW exploits the complementary capabilities of the two partners, which have already jointly executed combined cycle plants. Their 120 MW power plant for Fiat at Mirafiori (Turin), which began operations in June 1990, was ''a promising start for a company addressing both the domestic and the international market'', as Mauro Bertini, Chairman of the Board of F.FW and Corporate Planning Director of FiatAvio reported.

Other members of the Board are Sergio Garrone, Manager of FiatAvio's Gas Turbine Division, and Giovanni Brustia, an Executive Director of Foster Wheeler Italiana. Giorgio Ferrari from Foster Wheeler will take the position of General Manager of F.FW.

FiatAvio is a world leader in the production of accessory gearboxes and is a partner, together with General Electric, Pratt & Whitney, Rolls Royce and MTU, in the most important aerospatial research programs relevant to design and manufacturing of engines for use in the civil and Government sector.

FiatAvio designs and manufactures gas turbines for the industrial field and supply power stations on a turnkey basis all over the world.

Foster Wheeler Italiana, S.p.A., corporate affiliate of Foster Wheeler Corporation of Clinton, N.J., is one of the most important engineering companies in Italy. In operation since 1957 and employing over 1,000 people in Corsico (Milan) and Rome.

Foster Wheeler Italiana designs and constructs industrial and energy-related plants, for which it also designs and manufactures fired heaters, for process

industry, steam generators, waste-heat boilers and equipment for energy recovery and conservation.

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PASADENA, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Countrywide Credit Industries Inc. (NYSE:CCR) Monday announced that its principal subsidiary, Countrywide Funding Corp., has renewed its mortgage warehouse credit agreement with seven commercial banks.

The $565 million agreement matures on Oct. 1, 1991, and is guaranteed by Countrywide Credit Industries.

The bank group includes Bank of America N.T. & S.A., The Bank of New York, Bankers Trust Co., The Chase Manhattan Bank N.A., Citicorp Real Estate Inc., The First National Bank of Chicago and Security Pacific National Bank.

Countrywide Credit Industries Inc. is engaged primarily in the mortgage lending business, originating, selling and servicing residential mortgage loans. Countrywide produces loans through four divisions.

Its Retail division operates a nationwide network of 91 offices serving real estate brokers and homebuyers. Its Correspondent division serves regional savings and loans, commercial banks, credit unions and smaller mortgage bankers in 50 states. Its Wholesale division funds loans for pre-approved mortgage brokers nationwide. And the Consumer division makes mortgage loans directly to individual homeowners across the country via telephone and by mail.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The DALBAR Mutual Fund Survey of broker/dealers and registered representatives ranked OppenheimerFunds the number one mutual fund company (tied with American Funds) for customer service in the United States.

OppenheimerFunds has an accuracy rate of 99.98 percent for processing

transactions. In addition, their telephone hold time is less than half the industry standard.

The fourth annual DALBAR survey asked registered representatives their opinions on three additional issues:

-- Operational Support -- OppenheimerFunds tied with American Funds for number one.

-- Marketing Support -- OppenheimerFunds ranked number one.

-- General Opinion of Company -- OppenheimerFunds tied for number two.

In the main office evaluation of fund groups, OppenheimerFunds ranked number three out of 31 mutual fund companies.

OppenheimerFunds was the only mutual fund group that rated among the top three in all four categories.

The broker/dealer and registered representatives surveys are conducted annually by DALBAR Surveys Inc. and are designed to measure the perception of the primary distribution channel for mutual funds. Broker/dealers and registered representatives ranked over 30 mutual fund firms on their perceptions of service, marketing and product issues.

DALBAR Surveys Inc. is a research and consulting firm to the mutual fund industry. The DALBAR Survey is conducted annually to obtain the opinions of the broker/dealer community about the mutual funds they sell.

The DALBAR Survey is sponsored by mutual fund companies that are concerned about the quality of service they provide. The survey includes fund companies that are distributed by independent broker/dealers and specifically excludes those sold through a captive sales force.

The survey was conducted by questionnaires sent to top producing registered reps and the main the offices of their firms. Survey results have a margin of error of +/- 5 percent for aggregate scores. For further information about the DALBAR survey, contact DALBAR Surveys Inc. at 617/439-6199.

For more complete information about any of the Oppenheimer Funds, contact Oppenheimer Fund Management Inc. at 1-800-525-7048 for a prospectus which includes the management fee and other charges and expenses.

OppenheimerFunds manages over 50 mutual funds with assets in excess of $14 billion.

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SCOTTS VALLEY, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Seagate (NASDAQ/NMS:SGAT) Monday announced the appointment of Lothar Mork to vice president, Singapore Drive Operations, Tuas Facility.

Based in Singapore and reporting to Javed Chaudhary, vice president of Domestic and European Manufacturing Operations, Mork will be responsible for all manufacturing and production processes for Seagate's Wren product line and the 40XX disc drive series.

Bringing 17 years of data storage experience to his position, Mork began his career in 1973 as a continuation engineer at the Heppenheim, Germany facility of Imprimis Technology.

In the ensuing years with Imprimis, his positions included European service training manager, senior project engineer for CMD and Lark removable disc drives, and plant manager of HDA Manufacturing and Manufacturing Engineering.

After Seagate's acquisition of Imprimis in 1989, Mork was appointed executive director of the Manufacturing Engineering and Process Development team located at the company's Oklahoma City facility.

Mork, 43, holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from the College for Electrical Engineering in Darmstadt, West Germany.

Seagate Technology is the world's leading supplier of disc storage devices and components to original equipment manufacturers and remarketers.

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SANTA BARBARA, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Continuing to enhance its internetworking product suite, Advanced Computer Communications (ACC) Monday announced it will add support for the Switched Multi-megabit Data Service (SMDS) as a software option to the company's line of remote bridge/routers.

SMDS service, expected to be commercially available by the beginning of 1992, will initially be offered at DS1 speeds of 1.544 Mbps.

SMDS is an alternative data-transmission service that currently is supported by regional Bell Operating Companies, such as Pacific Bell, Southwestern Bell

and other operating companies. Based on the emerging IEEE 802.6 proposal for data, voice and video transmission, SMDS is positioned as a Metropolitan Area Network (MAN) for data communications.

The Series 4000 multiprotocol bridge/router routes all DECnet, IPX, XNS and TCP/IP packets, while simultaneously bridging all other network protocols. All Series 4000 products have built-in network management features based on the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP).

Since its incorporation in 1975, ACC has been developing and manufacturing data communications hardware and software products that focus on customer needs. Its internetworking products were introduced in 1987. Since that time ACC has become a market leader in the remote bridge/router and network management arena.

Worldwide, ACC products are connecting local and wide-area networks in government and commercial industries.

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SALT LAKE CITY (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Laser Corp. (NASDAQ:LSER) Monday announced the resignation of Larry M. Levy, president and chief executive officer.

The departure was a mutual decision between Levy and the board of directors, and will be effective Dec. 31.

The board of directors has elected B. Joyce Wickham, currently chairman of the board, to serve as president and chief executive officer.

Laser Corp., through its subsidiaries, designs, manufactures and markets lasers and laser subassemblies.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - TeleSoft Monday announced that its TeleGen2 Ada compiler, Version 1.4A for SPARC workstations and servers from

Sun Microsystems Inc., now interfaces to Oracle and Sybase databases.

The compiler has been integrated with Oracle's Pro Ada precompiler and with Sybase's open client and APT-Library. This provides TeleGen2 Ada applications with direct access to both of these popular databases. Also, the TeleGen2 Ada Host Development System is the only such system supporting Sun Microsystems' OPEN LOOK XView toolkit.

''TeleSoft's TeleGen2 Ada is one of the world's leading and most robust Ada technologies,'' said Stan Tims, senior director of marketing, UNIX Products Division, Oracle Corp. ''ORACLE Pro Ada is now integrated with TeleGen2 Ada. The Pro Ada database tool combined with TeleSoft's compiler system allows our customers to write Ada-based applications which easily access Oracle databases.''

Version 1.4A of TeleGen2 Ada is faster, more robust, and better integrated with Sun features. Developers can now create Ada applications with an OPEN LOOK GUI using TeleGen2 Ada's bindings to the XView Toolkit -- a new feature in the recently released Version 1.4A.

The new TeleGen2 Ada SPARC compiler runs under both SunOS 4.03 and SunOS 4.1. The cost of the compiler is $7,500 per workstation, including the XView Toolkit binding, and is available now. The cost of the Sybase bindings, available from TeleSoft, is $895. Users wanting ORACLE Pro Ada for TeleGen2 Ada should contact Oracle directly for pricing and availability.

TeleSoft is the leading international provider of software engineering products and services in support of such standards as Ada, X Windows, and SDL. TeleSoft also is a systems supplier and integrator for telecommunications, aerospace/defense and other technical computing markets.

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SCHENECTADY, NY (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - General Electric has announced the culmination of a series of contracts to supply 10 GE MS9001E gas turbine-generators, associated equipment, spare parts and services to the Israel Electric Corp. Ltd. (IEC) for a total contract price of about $200 million.

The Israeli contracts call for the supply of 10 gas turbine-generators, controls, balance-of-plant equipment such as low-voltage switchgear and diesel

generator sets to integrate the turbines into the IEC system, spare parts and site technical assistance. Under the terms of the contract, GE will source accessory equipment in Israel for four of the units.

IEC is adding the units in pairs at various locations along its electrical system to meet load growth demands. Units 1 and 2 are installed and went into commercial operation in September, 1989.

Units 3 and 4 have also been installed and are currently preparing to go to commercial operation. Units 5 and 6 have been shipped and will be operational in the spring of 1991. Units 7-10 will be shipped in late 1991 and early 1992 and are scheduled for commercial operation in late 1992.

The gas turbines, which will operate on distillate fuel oil only, are rated at 121.3 megawatts at ISO conditions. Based on average U.S. usage, 10 MS9001E gas turbines would provide enough poere to meet the needs of approximately 870,000 people, roughly the size of San Diego.

The gas turbines are being manufactured at GE's Greenville, S.C., facilities, generators at GE's Schenectady plant and controls at the GE plant in Salem, Va.

GE is the world's leading manufacturer and supplier of power generation systems and services, including steam turbines, gas turbines, STAG combined-cycle systems, cogeneration power equipment and a variety of uprate, upgrade and power plant maintenance programs.

Through a subsidiary component, GE Environmental Systems, GE provides flue gas desulfurization and other air purification systems.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Areal Technology, Inc., has signed a contract for approximately $4-million with Disk Technologies Corp. (Disctec), Winter Park, Fla., for MD-2060 ultra-thin, high-capacity 2 1/2-inch fixed disk drives.

Disctec will use the Areal drives in its Disctec RHD 60, a palm-sized removable 60-Mbyte data storage cartridge for MS-DOS based desktops, portables and notebook computers. The RHD 60 gives users the option to remove data from the system for security or safety reasons or when the drive is being transported, and to interchange data between different systems. It is available at a suggested retail price of $865.

MD-2060 2 1/2-inch drives are now being produced at Areal's 27,000 square foot facility in San Jose. Higher volume production is scheduled to begin in the first quarter of 1991 under terms of a contract-manufacturing agreement recently signed between Areal and Sanyo Electric Company.

The MD-2060 stores 62.9-Mbytes (Megabytes, or millions of characters of information) of formatted data on a single glass disk operating at very high storage densities. As a result, Areal has reduced the height of the drive to 14.9mm (0.59 inches) including printed circuit board. This is almost 3mm shorter than the nearest multi-disk 60-Mbyte competitor.

Areal Technology, Inc., is a private company formed in 1988 to design, manufacture, and market very high-capacity, very low- cost low-profile Winchester disk drives. The company employs 60.

Disk Technologies Corp. (Disctec) is a private company that designs, manufactures and markets ultra-small, high-capacity, removable data storage subsystems. It is located at 147 West Lyman Avenue 200, Winter Park 32789; 407/645-0001; 800/553-0337; 407/628-4404 (FAX).

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Source Venture Capital, of Englewood, (OTC) announce the following members have been added to the board of directors of Source Venture Capital: William J. Butters, Mark Gibbons Esq., Henry Guikema Esq., Emil (Doc) Loskot.

Steven Gentry resigned from the board.

William Butters was elected president and chairman of the board. ''Doc'' Loksot was elected treasurer and chief financial officer.

The following changes were also made in Edison Press Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Source Venture Capital. Steven Gentry resigned from the board and from the office of president. Shirley Gentry also resigned from the board. Emil ''Doc'' Loskot was elected to the board and to the office of president and chief executive officer.

Jack Wilson was elected to the board and to the office of vice president and chief financial officer. Barbara Bauer was elected to the board and also assumed the office of secretary and general office manager. Louis J. Davis was elected to the board.

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DENVER (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Schield Management Co. (NASDAQ:SMCC) Monday announced that is has completed the acquisition of Progressive Ventures Inc. (PVI) effective Nov. 28.

PVI is now a wholly owned subsidiary of Schield Management Co.

This acquisition is a strategic cornerstone toward the long range goal of becoming a larger, more diversified company in the investment management marketplace through acquisitions and expansion of the product base.

There are several immediate benefits from this combination. These include the addition of strong management resources with experience in the capacity as an investment advisor, a strengthening of the balance sheet resulting from assets acquired from PVI and an enhanced revenue stream as PVI is the advisor to the Schield Progressive Environmental Fund.

Schield Management Co. has been in business as an investment advisor since 1972. Its principal lines of business include providing market timing services, providing investment advice to both individually managed accounts and the Schield Portfolios Series of mutual funds, publishing and marketing an institutional investment advisory publication and providing bridge loans and equity financing.

Schield Management Co. shares are listed in the additional over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol: SMCC. There are approximately 1,612,000 shares outstanding, including its shares issued by PVI shareholders as a part of the PVI acquisition.

Schield Management Co. is currently in registration for an offering of $1.8 million in new securities. The offering is being underwritten by Cohig & Associates Inc. on a firm commitment basis.

This announcement shall not constitute an offer to sell or solicit an offer to buy in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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NASHVILLE, TN (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - DeVlieg-Bullard Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:DVLG) Monday reported results for the first quarter of its 1991 fiscal year that included higher sales but a slight decline in net income from the year-earlier period.

For the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990, net sales increased 30 percent to $22,775,000 compared with $17,544,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income for the most recent quarter totaled $884,000 vs. $938,000 in the year-earlier period.

Although net income was lower than a year ago, charges in the year-earlier period relating to certain classes of the company's preferred stock resulted in an increase in earnings per share to 7 cents vs. 3 cents a year ago.

Laurence DeFrance, chief executive officer, indicated that the lower earnings for the quarter were primarily due to sluggish demand in several of the company's operating units. He said: ''Shipments of woodworking machinery to the housing industry were affected by the protracted softness in new construction.

DeVlieg-Bullard is a diversified industrial concern specializing in servicing, upgrading, automating and remanufacturing precision engineered machine tools. The company also manufactures sophisticated original and replacement tooling products used in industrial machine tools. The company's common shares are traded over-the-counter under the National Market System symbol DVLG.

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ORLANDO, FL (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Celebrity Resorts Inc. (the ''Company'')(NASDAQ:CELE,CELEW) Monday announced plans to begin construction of its resort facilities on Orange Lake in Ocala, Fla. in January, 1991.

The company, which completed a successful initial public offering of its shares in August, expects to proceed with construction of recreational vehicle (''RV'') sites, a sales office and a clubhouse upon receiving final approval from local licensing agencies.

Davey Johnson, the company's president, and former manager of the New York

Mets Major League Baseball Team, believes that public response to the company has been outstanding. ''I could not be more pleased with the results of our recent public offering,'' stated Johnson.

As provided in the company's offering prospectus, the company expects to market memberships to recreational vehicle owners and users, as well as others who wish to utilize the fishing and outdoor facilities planned for the resort.

Johnson also announced that the company's board of directors had established a committee to explore and review possible investments by the company in professional baseball (the ''Baseball Committee'').

The Baseball Committee will consist of Directors Johnson, John Abplanalp, general manager of the Tiros Plastic Divison of Precision - Valve and Hartley T. Bernstein, a partner in the New York firm of Brandeis, Bernstein, the company's attorneys. Bernstein will chair the committee.

The company expects to actively seek investments in a major league baseball franchise as well as other professional baseball operations within the State of Florida.

The company, which went public Aug. 14, was founded by Johnson and a number of other former and present baseball coaches and managers, and is engaged principally in the development and eventual operation of a destination resort and fish camp located at Orange Lake, Fla.

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WEST COLUMBIA, SC (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Wells American Corp. (ASE: WAC) announced Monday that the company's common stock will not be traded on the American Stock Exchange (AMEX) after close of business on Dec. 7, 1990.

Exchange officials have indicated that this suspension of trading is necessary due to the company's inability to meet guidelines for continued listing. Company officials expect that a market for its common stock may develop over-the-counter.

Wells American's common securities are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol ''WAC''. For further information on Wells American, contact Robert K. King, president, at the company's corporate headquarters at 3243 Sunset Boulevard, West Columbia, S.C. 29169.

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SIMI VALLEY, CALIF. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - PerfectData Corp. (Additional NASDAQ:PERF) Monday announced that the board of directors has authorized the company to set aside $100,000 for the repurchase of the firm's outstanding common stock at market price.

The purpose of the offer is specifically to improve the price per share, the earnings per share and assets per share accordingly.

According to Lee R. Mannheimer, president of PerfectData: ''We have decided to take this action based on the fact that three consecutive successful quarters have apparently gone unnoticed by the investment community. We believe in ourselves and the value in our company.''

PerfectData is a leading designer, wholesaler and marketer of media maintenance equipment and aftermarket supplies and accessories sold under the PerfectData brand name.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Momenta Corp. Monday announced the selection of Albert (Rocky) Pimentel as vice president of finance and chief financial officer.

The addition of Pimentel is the latest move undertaken by the company to position itself for rapid growth worldwide.

Prior to joining Momenta, Pimentel co-founded Conner Peripherals and was its vice president of finance and assistant secretary. During his tenure, Conner became the fastest-growing company in history, reaching over $1 billion in sales in five years.

Before co-founding Conner, Pimentel served as corporate controller at Seagate Corp. and audit supervisor and manager at Ernst and Young.

Pimentel, a seasoned financial executive with considerable experience in the electronics arena, will be responsible for all finance, administration and legal functions for the company. He will report to Kamran Elahian, president and chief executive officer of Momenta.

Momenta is a start-up company founded in September 1989, with a goal of

developing a radically new personal productivity device that will meet the needs of business professionals into the next century. Momenta is based in Mountain View and currently has 58 employees.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - AMREP Corp. (NYSE: AXR), builder of new communities and international distributors of magazines, Monday announced the completion of the sale of its water and sewer utility systems serving the City of Rio Rancho, N.M. to a subsidiary of GWC Corporation of Wilmington, Del.

The purchase price was approximately $40 million, of which $21.5 million was used to repay utility debt. It was announced last May that the purchase price would be in excess of $36 million. The final purchase price reflected additions to the utility plant, but did not include the previously announced sale of the water utility serving AMREP's Eldorado at Santa Fe, N.M. Community, as this system was not sold.

A portion of the remaining proceeds will be used to reduce other debt and the balance added to working capital. After recovering its investment, AMREP will realize a profit on the sale of over $3 million.

Howard W. Friedman, AMREP chairman, said, ''The elimination of debt service coupled with the opportunities to utilize this significant infusion of cash will be highly beneficial to the company's long-term growth.''

GWC is a publicly owned water utility holding company whose common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol GWCC.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Rally's Inc., (NASDAQ:RLLY), announced Monday that Wayne M. Albritton, a founder of Rally's was elected president and chief operating officer.

Richard F. Sherman remains chairman of the board of directors and Burt Sugarman was elected chief executive officer.

Sherman said that he was pleased to have steered the company through three years of record results. He said that these changes were at his request to enable him to continue to contribute to the company and have more personal and family time.

Jack Roschman, a founder of the Ponderosa restaurant chain and the father of Jeffrey S. Roschman and Robert J. Roschman, the founders of Snapps Drive-Thru Inc. was elected to the board of directors of Rally's.

Snapps is the fourth largest double drive-thru hamburger chain in the country.

Rally's Inc., the largest growing hamburger chain in America was named by the Inc. magazine as the country's fifth fastest growing company. Rally's currently operates or franchises 255 restaurants in 23 states.

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NEW ORLEANS (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (NYSE:FTX) announced Monday that it has agreed to purchase from The Fund American Companies Inc. and subsidiaries their entire holdings of FTX stock, representing 7,578,500 common shares of FTX at a price of $34.75 per common share, the closing price of FTX common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on Friday, Nov. 30, 1990.

The total cash transaction equals $263,352,875 and is subject only to the approval of FTX's bank group. Transfer of the shares and payment of the funds will occur promptly after receipt of the banks' consent.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. Monday announced first quarter 1991 availability of its dual-protocol Connection Service software for the 3Com CS line of terminal servers.

The new software lets terminal and PC users concurrently access minicomputers running Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) and Digital

Equipment Corp.'s (DEC) Local Area Transport (LAT) protocol. The software also contains features that allow it to be tailored to specific business requirements.

3Com terminal servers provide network access for resources such as terminals, personal computers, modems, minicomputers and printers. The TCP/LAT Connection Service is the latest product in 3Com's line of terminal server software for the CS/2000, CS/2100, and CS/1 terminal servers.

Connection Service products currently available provide access to minicomputers running TCP/IP, Open Systems Interconnect (OSI) or Xerox Network Systems (XNS) protocols. End user and network administrator interfaces are consistent across Connection Service products, simplifying day-to-day use and minimizing training. TCP/IP Protocol Support

The TCP/LAT Connection Service software adds two new features to the existing single-protocol TCP/IP Connection Service: the Serial Line Internet Protocol (SLIP) and the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP). SLIP enables TCP/IP to run over serial lines, such as those used by personal computers for remote access to minicomputers via modem.

Remote connections via SLIP appear local to the user. Support of the industry-standard SNMP network management protocol allows 3Com TCP/IP terminal servers to be managed by any vendor's SNMP-based manager. LAT Protocol Support

3Com's LAT implementation is licensed directly from DEC to ensure compatibility. It is based on LAT 5.1 specifications, and contains the key features required for LAT connectivity, including reverse LAT. Reverse LAT allows a minicomputer to initiate a session connection.

With this feature, a host application could initiate a session to print on a terminal server-attached printer. ''3Com's direct licensing approach ensures that its LAT implementation will be compatible with all Digital Equipment Corp. systems and peripherals,'' said William R. Johnson, vice president, Telecommunications and Networks Group at Digital Equipment Corp.

The TCP/LAT Connection Service software adds tailorability features in the areas of user interface, network administrator interface, and security options to robust TCP/IP and LAT protocol implementations, creating a powerful terminal server software package.

3Com Corp. is a leading independent global data networking company, providing multivendor connectivity that spans organizations and businesses worldwide. The company designs, manufactures, markets and supports a wide range of networking systems based on industry standards and open systems architecture.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - COMSAT Video Enterprises Monday annouced it has terminated the understanding with SkyPix regarding a possible direct broadcast satellite (DBS) venture.

COMSAT Video Enterprises, a division of COMSAT, is the largest distributor of satellite-delivered entertainment to the U.S. lodging industry. It serves over 310,000 hotel rooms in more than 1700 hotels with pay-per-view and free-to-guest programming as well as interactive guest services, videoconferencing and special events.

COMSAT is a publicly traded corporation which provides international, domestic and maritime communications and information, domestic, and maritime communication and information and entertainment services and conducts research on advanced communications techniques. COMSAT represents the U.S. in the International Telecommunications Satellite Organization (INTELSAT) and the International Maritime Satellite Organization (INMARSAT).

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SACRAMENTO, CA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - DeScribe Inc. chooses Windows 3.0 over UNIX.

Describe Inc. announced Monday it will port its OS/2 Presentation Manager word publishing technology to the Windows 3.0 environment. This is the same technology on which the internationally acclaimed DeScribe Word Publisher is based and can be expected to have a significant impact on both the word processing and desktop publishing niches in the DOS WINDOWS marketplace.

DeScribe's first WINDOWS 3.0 product is expected to be released during the second quarter of 1991.

''The decision to port to Microsoft WINDOWS gives DeScribe broader penetration of the corporate market. IBM's SAA vision is enterprise-wide distributed databases. Microsoft wants developers to provide seamless application technology across combined WINDOWS and OS/2 networks. DeScribe's strategy takes advantage of both,'' said Allan Katzen, chief executive officer and president of DeScribe Inc.

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LEXINGTON, KY (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas & King Inc., whose restaurants rank among the best in the Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar system, will open two new Applebee's casual-style restaurants early this month.

Applebee's in Columbus, Ohio, and Phoenix, Ariz., will open simultaneously on Dec. 10, said Thomas & King President Mike Scanlon. The restaurants will be the 10th and 11th in the Thomas & King chain, which includes neighborhood grills in the Lexington, Dayton, Columbus and Cincinnati metropolitan areas.

The new Columbus location, at 6669 Dublin Center Drive, represents that city's third Applebee's within one year. The new Applebee's at 2720 West Bell Road in Phoenix is the first in that metropolitan area.

Positioned as a neighborhood gathering place, Applebee's offers an alternative to traditional full-service and to fast-food restaurants. Its moderate-priced menu includes sought-after appetizers such as buffalo chicken wings, mozzarella sticks, chicken fingers and quesadillas.

Specialty items include broiled Cajun trout, sizzling steaks, chicken and steak fajitas, BBQ riblets, combination dinners, hamburgers, soups, salads and desserts.

Thomas & King's serving-the-customer philosophy has been their key to success. Average sales at Thomas and King's Applebee's rank at or within the top 5 percent of sales at the approximately 150 franchised and company-owned Applebee's.

Within the last year, the Lexington-based company has tripled its sales to more than $17 million and has doubled its employee base. In fact a number of the Thomas & King Applebee's rank in the weekly top 10 of the entire Applebee's International chain.

In Phoenix Sean Saunders will manage a staff of three other managers and 100 employees. Saunders has eight years of experience in restaurant management, including the last two years at the Improvisation Comedy Club and Restaurant in Tempe, Ariz.

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WOBURN, MA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Alpha Industries Inc. (AMEX:AHA) Monday announced a new financing agreement with Silicon Valley Bank of Santa Clara, Calif., which is expected to fulfill the company's capital requirements for the foreseeable future.

As part of a complete restructuring of Alpha's long-term financing arrangements, which began last March, Alpha has obtained a $5 milion revolving line of credit from Silicon Valley Bank. The credit arrangement replaces a previous commercial credit relationship which was discontinued by Bank of New England.

In addition, the company has succeeded in restructuing its $3.1 million of Industrial Revenue Bonds by a conversion to fixed rate First Mortgage Bonds purchased by The Putnam Companies of Boston. The IRB refinancing was necessitated by the failure of Bank of Boston to maintain an investment grade rating for its underwriting letter of credit. Special financial advice was rendered by Goldman Sachs of Boston.

Alpha Industries Inc. is a leading supplier of microwave semiconductors, ceramic and ferrite devices, microwave and millimeter wave components, and multifunction subysystems that are sold to manufacturers of sophisticated electronic and telecommunications systems.

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COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Bob Evans Farms' (NASDAQ:BOBE) sales for the second quarter ended Oct. 26 were $127.3 million, an increase of 11 percent over $114.6 million a year ago.

Net income for the second quarter was $8.8 million, or 28 cents per share, compared with $7.6 million, or 23 cents per share, for the second quarter of 1989.

Increases in net sales for both the second quarter and six-month periods were due to more restaurants in operation and higher wholesale prices being charged for sausage products. The increase in net income for the second quarter was due to more restaurants in operation and improved pre-tax margins in the sausage segment.

The sausage segment continued to experience high live hog costs over a year ago, however, pre-tax margins did improve as a result of higher wholesale prices being charged for sausage products.

During the second quarter, three new Bob Evans Restaurants opened in Erie, Pa.; Richmond, Va.; and Bowling Green, Ky.; and two Owens Family Restaurants in Arlington and Dallas, Texas. The Erie, Pa., Bob Evans Restaurant now holds the company record for highest sales volume during opening week. A total of 247 restaurants were operating at the end of the quarter compared with 227 a year ago.

Through more efficient operations, the company now has less duplication of efforts to better serve Bob Evans customers. This is a result of the recent corporate restructuring which implemented seven operating groups and eliminated multiple reporting structures. For the first time in many years, a promotion to cross-sell Bob Evans Farms Sausage in the company's restaurants was held. During October, this '' Oktoberfeast'' promotion featured Bob Evans Farms smoked sausage. Because of this succesful promotion similar projects are being planned.

The board of directors declared a $.065 per share dividend on Oct. 11 payable to stockholders of record Nov. 9.

Bob Evans Farms Inc. currently owns and operates 248 restaurants in 14 states, including nine Owens Family Restaurants in the Dallas/Ft. Worth metroplex. The company produces and distributes a variety of fresh pork sausage products under the Bob Evans and Owens names in 23 states and the District of Columbia.

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MEDINA, OH (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - RPM Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: RPOW), a widely diversified manufacturer of specialty coatings and waterproofing and corrosion-control products, announced Monday that it acquired Paramount Technical Products Inc., Spearfish, S.D., for an undisclosed purchase price.

Paramount Technical Products is a manufacturer of specialty waterproofing membranes and sealants. Paramount, with annual sales of approximately $6 million, has experienced strong growth with its proprietary products, which are highly synergistic with existing RPM waterproofing product lines.

Paramount's exceptional growth is expected to be even further enhanced through cooperation with other RPM operating companies in the waterproofing markets.

The company will continue to operate under the leadership and direction of President and founder Bryan M. McGroarty and Vice President Patrick J. McGroarty, along with their experienced management team at their Spearfish headquarters.

RPM Inc. is a widely diversified manufacturer of specialized products for structural waterproofing and corrosion control, along with products for the do-it-yourself consumer, hobby, and craft markets.

RPM markets products to approximately 75 countries annually and operates 44 plants in the United States, Canada, and Europe. The fiscal year ended May 31, was RPM's 43rd consecutive record year of sales, earnings, and earnings per share, with sales of $444,823,888, earnings of $27,710,369 and earnings per share of $1.23.

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READING, PA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T announces availability of an integrated circuit that replaces several PBX components.

The new device -- the LH1208 PBX Switch Set -- performs the break and access switch functions between the PBX line feed and the telephone loop. This is what makes your telephone ring or your ''message waiting'' lamp light.

The LH1208's single chip construction and absence of mechanical contacts means no performance degradation over time, no contact bounce and no EMI (electro-magnetic interference). It provides system designers with a longer life, higher reliability and lower cost chip solution.

The chip combines analog and digital circuitry with high-voltage switches to produce a very powerful and versatile PBX switching function. It packs five high-voltage switches, ring trip circuitry, ring trip/off hook status, zero cross switching and an auxiliary latch into a single, monolithic integrated circuit.

Excellent system performance is achieved through the LH1208's superior electrical characteristics, including matched on resistance, high load voltage and fast switching speeds resulting from the solid-state design. The chip is available in surface-mount packaging.

The LH1208 PBX Switch Set is priced at $7.80 for quantities less than 1,000. Samples are available on request. Further information can be obtained by calling the AT&T Microelectronics Customer Response Center at 1-800-372-2447 (in Canada, 1-800-553-2448), or by writing to AT&T Microelectronics, Dept. 52AL300240, 555 Union Blvd., Allentown, Pa., 18103.

AT&T Microelectronics offers a full line of high-performance components and electronic systems to original equipment manufacturers. Included in the

product line are application specific integrated circuits, communication devices, graphics and speech processors, analog integrated components and linear arrays, interconnect products, lightwave products, and power supplies.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - NYNEX Corporation, the Communications Workers of America (CWA) and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) announced Monday an agreement to develop and implement programs that help employees balance the demands of a career and family life.

The new programs will reflect employees' varied lifestyles and family structures.

As part of the agreement, the company is making available up to $3 million to fund initiatives that increase the supply or improve the quality of child and elder care facilities in communities where its employees live or work.

''Underlying the action today is the peace of mind it can foster for employees who will know that those who depend on them are receiving quality care while they're at work,'' Jan Pierce, vice president - District 1 of the CWA, Jack Barry, president of the IBEW, and Don Reed, NYNEX vice president- Human Resources & Quality, said in a joint statement.

''Clearly, this represents a confluence of concerns on the part of labor and management that is simply 'smart business.' Any employee who is worried about what's going on at home can't be expected to devote their best professional effort to the job.''

The agreement is designed to help people manage both a full-time job and a busy home life. It reflects a variety of life styles and family structures of current employees, and meets the needs of the diverse and changing labor force of the future.

A 12-person NYNEX/CWA/IBEW committee will oversee work and family issues. Under the terms of the agreement, this committee will review and approve funding requests that are presented by the joint labor/management Work and Family committees that exist throughout the NYNEX companies.

In addition, the agreement provides for employees to retain medical, dental and vision benefits for the duration of leaves of absence to care for newborn children. Employees will also receive credit toward their pension for the time spent on this type of leave. The six union representatives and six representatives of the company will also develop a mission statement to focus joint work and family efforts, recommend long-range plans, and review the activities of work and family committees throughout NYNEX. The committee will enhance ongoing efforts to balance the demands of family and work.

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VALLEY STREAM, N.Y. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Nationwide Cellular Service Inc. (NASDAQ:NCEL), Monday announced it had obtained a $7.5 million line of credit from Congress Financial Corp., a New York-based specialist in asset-based lending and a subsidiary of CoreStates Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:CSFN), a $22.8 billion bank holding company headquartered in Philadelphia.

Nationwide Cellular Service Inc. is one of the largest resellers of cellular telephone service in the country, with more than 67,000 subscribers in major metropolitan areas.

The company indicated that $2.0 million of the facility would be used to repay existing debt. According to Stephen Katz, chairman of the board of Nationwide, ''This credit facility, particularly in the current economic climate, will provide the increased working capital which will enable the company to continue to expand its subscriber base and pursue its other interests in the cellular makret.''

Barry A. Kastner, vice president of Congress said, ''Our business is to provide asset-based financing to middle-market companies. Nationwide Cellular Service is a company with valuable assets in a high-growth industry, which makes it an ideal financing situation for us.''

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MORRISTOWN, NJ (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Businesses using token ringR or StarLAN Local Area Networks (LANs) can now have unprecedented access to compatible LANs with a new "gateway" device introduced today by AT&T Network Systems and Eicon Technology, Inc.

The Local Area Network Communications Server (LCS) provides businesses with an easy and cost effective way to link PC users within the same location or multiple locations, regardless of distance.

The LCS acts as a gateway for PCs into AT&T's Datakit IIR Virtual Circuit Switch (VCS), through which users can connect to host computers or compatible LANs also served by Datakit II VCS.

Datakit II VCS is a high performance packet switch that interconnects computers, terminals, and other data processing devices over local or wide area networks.

The LCS consists of an AT&T Model 6386 PC configured with a standard token ring or StarLAN interface card, the EiconCard intelligent coprocessor card, and Eicon's Access Gateway software.

It will work with a variety of vendor LAN equipment, such as NETBIOSR/NOVELL NetWareR compatible LANs, and will support data capabilities such as access to host computers, file share, and file transfer.

"The LCS, integrated with the Datakit wide area backbone network, offers businesses a local area to wide area solution," said Guy Hoffman, Vice President of Eicon Technology, a leading vendor of LAN gateway and wide area networking products. "We are committed to delivering excellence to the end user through this strategic partnership with AT&T.

The LCS and Datakit II VCS will be available through traditional AT&T sales channels, a key one being the corporate utility network offering, known as Custom Network Offering II.

"The mission of this offering is to deliver a comprehensive data networking connectivity package to our customers," said Ray Rossmann, Business Communications Services Product Manager for Custom Network Offering II. "Eicon LAN connectivity combined with Datakit II VCS substantially enhances a customer's flexibility to access any application environment anywhere in their corporate network."

(a) - R Token Ring and NETBIOS are registered trademarks of IBM Corp.
(b) - R NetWare is a registered trademark of Novell, Inc.

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LONDON (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - British Gas (NYSE:BRG) and its partners, Yukong Limited and Union Pacific Petroleum Suez Limited, announced today that they have tested oil in their current Gulf of Suez offshore wildcat well, known as the Warda prospect.

Initial test results appear promising, but the testing program is expected to last until the end of the year. Further information will be released by the group after completing the test program.

British Gas is the operator of the partnership through its subsidiary BG Egypt S.A, located in Maadi, Cairo. The joint-venture interests in the block are as follows:

British Gas 50%
Yukong Limited 25%
Union Pacific Petroleum Suez Ltd. 25%

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain.

Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers. British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore. Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to ten ordinary shares.

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SAN ANTONIO (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Builders Design, Inc. (NASDAQ SYMBOL: BDNI, BSE SYMBOL: BDI) Monday announced that it has entered into a letter of

intent to acquire the assets of Pacific Business Group, Inc. which conducts business under the name of Design For Living, a privately-owned San Diego-based company with 1989 revenues of approximately $22,000,000.

Design For Living markets and sells floor coverings to residential and commercial builders in six locations in Arizona and Southern California.

Jack Cook, President of Builders Design, stated that Design For Living would be acquired solely for stock and the assumption of certain liabilities. The number of shares of Builders Design Common Stock to be issued will be subject to final negotiations and mutual agreement.

Cook also stated that the proposed transaction is subject to the negotiation and execution of a definitive acquisition agreement and to obtaining any necessary regulatory and other consents and approvals.

Through its Phoenix-based wholly-owned subsidiary, Letco Inc., Builders Design markets and sells floor, wall and window coverings to residential and commercial builders and on a retail basis through nine stores located in Arizona and California.

Cook explained that, because new homes sales have declined from prior years' levels, by combining the operations of Letco and Design For Living together with those of New Era Interiors, Inc., another acquisition announced last week this combined group of companies is expected to provided enhanced marketing and sales opportunities which will result from its larger market share as well as other substantial benefits from economies of scale.

Builders Design Convertible Preferred Stock, Redeemable Common Stock Purchase Warrants and Class A Redeemable Common Stock Purchase Warrants are also traded in the over-the-counter market.

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BLUE BELL, PA. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. Monday announced that it has received a contract from BellSouth to provide multiple 2200/600ES mainframe systems, which will run mission-critical customer service application software.

These systems allow BellSouth to assign and track individual telephone lines from the central office to the telephone pole outside a customer site. This tracking information assists the telephone company in processing customer requests for increased service or repairs by correlating phone lines, addresses, and phone numbers.

''With systems installed in all seven Regional Bell Operating companies in the United States, Unisys continues to build its leadership position as a leading supplier of integrated information solutions to the telecommunications industry,'' said Gary Alexander, President, Unisys Communications Industry Systems Division.

''The new 2200/600ES mainframes will provide BellSouth with a more reliable, powerful and cost-effective delivery system for their crucial operational applications,'' continued Alexander.

The Unisys 2200/600ES offers up to a 15 percent increase in performance and a 60 percent reduction in power and cooling requirements over existing 2200/600 models. These increases in performance and reliability are achieved through the implementation of 16-way interleave and a new Input/Output Complex Cabinet design.

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CLEVELAND (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Cleveland-Cliffs Inc announced today that hourly employees of the Empire and Tilden Mines and related facilities in Michigan ratified a new labor contract on December 1, 1990. Production will resume shortly at both mines. The employees, represented by the United Steelworkers of America, had been on strike since August 1, 1990. A Cliffs' subsidiary manages and has equity interests in the mines through partnerships with various steel companies.

Cliffs said the new contract matches other United States iron ore industry contracts in providing wage increases, a variable compensation plan, and excess inflation payments. The contract also improves benefit plans and adds special bonuses to resolve outstanding issues. The contract will expire on August 1, 1993.

Wages will increase by $1.25 per hour immediately and an additional 25 cents per hour on January 1, 1992. The variable compensation plan, in the form of a production bonus, will pay a minimum of 25 cents and a maximum of 69 cents per hour worked, depending on the level of future production. With the production bonus, average wages will increase by 15 to 18 percent, plus any payments for excess inflation.

Each employee will receive a $2,000 signing bonus in 1990 that recognizes the lag in timing of the new contract versus other operations that reached new contracts in 1989. Starting in 1991, employees will receive three annual cost-of-living supplements totaling $2,000 to resolve a Michigan mine issue

from the 1987 contract regarding the inflation adjustment formula.

Also, each employee will receive 50 shares of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc common stock as soon as regulatory clearance is obtained. The approximately 90,000 shares of stock will be acquired by the mine partnerships in the open market.

M. Thomas Moore, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''We are pleased to end this unfortunate strike with a creative agreement that provides competitive compensation and benefit gains and resolves significant issues fairly. We are hopeful that the information and viewpoints exchanged between the company and the union during negotiations will lead to a better and mutually beneficial relationship.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - North American software firms sales increased 63 percent in Europe during Third Quarter, 1990, the Software Publishers Association announced Monday.

Thirty-two U.S.-based software firms, including Lotus, Microsoft, Ashton-Tate, WordPerfect, Aldus, Claris, Software Publishing, Borland, Symantec, Wordstar, Enable, T/Maker and others participated in the SPA's data program by submitting confidential data to the accounting firm of Arthur Andersen, who prepared the report for the SPA. The data was collected in 18 software categories (including Word Processors, Graphics, Spreadsheets and others) and in six different software formats (including Macintosh and MS-DOS).

The 32 firms reported aggregate European software sales of $228.8 million (measured at wholesale in U.S. dollars) for the Third Quarter. This represented a growth rate of 63 percent over Third Quarter, 1989.

Sales of DOS/Windows software increased 61.1 percent in Third Quarter, and Macintosh sales increased 82.7 percent. ''The European market continues to defy forecasts of a slowdown,'' stated Executive Director Ken Wasch. Third Quarter sales throughout Europe increased 63 percent. This compares with a 48 percent growth rate in the Second Quarter.

As in the United States, Microsoft Windows applications sales are startling. Windows software sales in Europe increased 110 percent in First Quarter, 106 percent in Second Quarter, and 243 percent in Third Quarter. ''The Windows numbers are phenomenal,'' stated Research Director Ann Stephens. ''In Europe, this is the year of the graphical user interface.'' Windows is now the second

largest European software format, behind MS-DOS.

In total volume, Germany/Austria is the largest European market for the U.S.-based firms, at $62 million, followed by the United Kingdom and Ireland at $56.6 million and France at $40.6 million. These figures should not be considered estimates of market size, since the sample only includes the sales of the major North American software firms in each market. Generally, in the European software markets, the sales of U.S. PC software products are approximately 70 percent of the total market in each country.

The Software Publishers Association is the worldwide trade asociation of the PC software industry. Its 720 members include the leading publishers of business, consumer and education software. The SPA's members also include European-based software firms. The SPA's European office opened in January, 1990 at the CNIT in Paris La Defense, France.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Telecredit Inc. (NASDAQ:TCRD) announced Monday that net earnings for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Oct. 31, 1990 rose 12 percent to a record $7,045,000, or 63 cents per share, on revenue of $42,741,000.

In fiscal 1990's second quarter, net earnings were $6,311,000, or 57 cents per share, on revenue of $40,653,000.

For the first half of fiscal 1991, net earnings were a record $14,344,000, or $1.28 per share, 11 percent ahead of the $12,938,000, or $1.17 per share, reported for the first six months of fiscal 1990. Revenue rose to $85,507,000 from $81,640,000 a year earlier.

Chairman Lee A. Ault III said that pre-tax earnings from check services in the second quarter rose 3 percent over the like period last year as operating revenue increased 9 percent to $24,580,000. He added that the dollar value of checks authorized in connection with Telecredit's check purchase service increased 18 percent to approximately $2.12 billion in the quarter.

Ault said that pre-tax earnings from card processing services increased 17 percent in the second quarter compared to the prior year despite the reduction in Telecredit's credit union card processing customer base following the expiration of the company's processing contract with Payment Systems for Credit Unions (PSCU) in October 1989.

Noting that earnings comparisons in future periods will no longer be distorted by the loss of a portion of the credit union customer base, Ault said: ''We anticipate solid gains in card processing earnings for the second half of fiscal 1991.''

Pre-tax earnings from enhancement services in the second quarter were ahead of internal expectations, Ault said, as revenue grew 229 percent from the like period last year. ''We believe enhancement services have the potential to make a meaningful contribution to Telecredit's overall earnings in the years to come,'' Ault concluded. Telecredit Inc. provides check authorization, credit card processing, and other payment services to retail merchants, financial institutions and others.

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LONDON (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - B.A.T. Industries confirms that agreement has been reached for the sale of its majority shareholding in Horten AG to the Westdeutsche Landesbank for approximately 140 million pounds.

The transaction, which is subject to approval by the Federal Cartel Office, is planned for completion by the end of 1990.

The sale of the holding in Horten completes the program to reshape B.A.T. Industries approved by shareholders in October 1989.

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DAYTON, OH (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Audio/Video Affiliates Inc. (NYSE:AVA) Monday reported revenues and net income for the third quarter and nine months ended Oct. 31.

For the third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, the company reported net income of $109,000, or 2 cents per share, compared with a loss of $997,000, or 16 cents per share for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989. The average number of shares outstanding during the third quarter was 6,671,000, compared to 6,231,000 for the like period in the prior year. Revenues for the quarter totaled $34.1

million, compared to $29.6 million for the prior year's third quarter.

For the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, the company reported net income of $478,000, or 7 cents per share, compared with a loss of $2,624,000, or 35 cents per share, for the prior year's first nine months. The average number of shares outstanding during the first nine months of Fiscal 1991 was 6,671,000, compared to 7,441,000 for the first nine months of the prior year. Revenues for the first nine months of Fiscal 1991 were $97.8 million, compared to $95.3 million for the prior year.

Same store sales for the third quarter increased 31.9 percent, as compared to the like period in the prior year, and for November 1990, same store sales increased 40.7 percent, as compared to November 1989. As of the end of the third quarter of Fiscal 1991, the company had 83 stores, compared to 87 stores in the prior year.

Commenting on the results, Stuart A. Rose, chairman and CEO of Audio/Video Affiliates Inc., said, ''The transition experienced during Fiscal 1990 is favorably continuing into Fiscal 1991.'' Rose attributed the company's performance in the third quarter to the store closings in Fiscal 1990, the continued strong controls and monitoring of overhead-related costs and the increase in same store sales experienced during the quarter.

Audio/Video Affiliates Inc. is a leading specialty retailer of consumer electronic products and appliances. The company, headquartered in Dayton, operates stores in 18 midwestern and sunbelt states under the trade name ''Rex.''

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DFW AIRPORT, TX (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - American Airlines said Monday that it has agreed to purchase Continental Airlines' Seattle-Tokyo route authority for $150 million.

The closing of the sale is subject to the receipt of the necessary approvals from the U.S. government and the bankruptcy court.

Under the agreement, which American signed after Continental filed its bankruptcy petition, the closing will take place on or before Dec. 31, 1991. Continental has agreed to continue operating the route until the closing occurs.

American was a major participant in the Seattle-Tokyo route case a few years ago and said at the time that the route could be a major stepping stone to making the airline a third strong U.S. carrier in the Pacific.

American recently was awarded San Jose-Tokyo route authority and has announced that it will inaugurate the route on March 2, 1991, using new McDonnell Douglas MD-11 aircraft.

American has operated nonstop service between Dallas-Fort Worth and Tokyo since May 1987.

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BLUE BELL, PA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Sabena World Airlines has signed for the Unisys Airline Revenue Enhancement (ARE) System, which will help the carrier increase profits by anticipating market demand.

The ARE System will enhance Sabena's long-range passenger demand forecasts and will recommend optimal seat allocations and booking profiles by point of sale.

The ARE system uses data from an airline's reservations system and offers advanced modeling and forecasting techniques to detect market movement early in the booking process. These capabilities assist an airline in maximizing the revenue generated by its flight schedule and fare structure.

The ARE system is the only revenue enhancement system to provide separate long-range forecasting, profiling and clustering, and short-term forecasting in a single product. The system will operate on a Unisys 2200/400 mainframe. Implementation will begin in the first quarter of 1991.

Sabena has been using USAS Cargo for air freight management for eight years. Earlier this year, the carrier doubled its processing capacity with the acquisition of two Unisys 2200/400 mainframes.

With 30 years of experience serving the airline and travel industry, Unisys is a leading supplier of advanced automation systems, software and services to this market. More than 140 airlines in the world depend on Unisys products.

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JOPPA, MD (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Merry-Go-Round Enterprises, Inc. (MGR/NYSE) today announced that it has entered into an agreement to acquire up to 54 T. Edwards retail locations.

The locations are leased by privately-held Brooks Fashions Stores, Inc. The purchase will be financed through internally generated funds and existing credit facilities.

The purchase is subject to landlord approval for each location. It is expected that closing will occur in early 1991.

Michael D. Sullivan, President and Chief Executive Officer, commented, ''We are very excited about this agreement. The stores provide access to locations in desirable malls throughout the country.''

Merry-Go-Round Enterprises, Inc. is a leading specialty apparel chain selling contemporary fashions for young men and women in over 670 retail stores in 38 states.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Harris & Harris Group (''H&H Group'') announced Monday that it has retained the investment banking firm, AgriCapital which specializes in transactions involving agricultural companies, to represent H&H Group in selling its 50-percnet interest in Ag Services of America Inc. Ag Services is a privately-held, Iowa-based agricultural service company which is expected to generate record after-tax earnings in excess of $700,000 on record revenues in excess of $24 million in the current fiscal year ending February 28, 1991.

H&H Group is a diversified financial services company with wholly owned operations in three lines of business: insurance brokerage (Harris & Harris Insurance Services); trust services (Capital Trust Co.); and business development (H&H Venture Capital). H&H Group intends to redeploy the proceeds of the sale into wholly owned operations.

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PALATINE, IL (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Square D Co. (NYSE:SQD) Monday announced that new three-year labor contracts were overwhelmingly ratified by people covered by coordinated bargaining agreements at 16 of 17 locations in votes taken Sunday, Dec. 2.

The remaining location in Chino, Calif., will vote on Monday, Dec. 3.

Square D is a worldwide leader in industrial control and electrical distribution products, systems and services and had 1989 sales from continuing operations of $1.60 billion.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - American Express Consumer Financial Services Group (CFS) Monday announced that it had appointed Jay G. Stuart Senior Vice President - Chief Financial Officer.

Stuart, 42, previously was Division Vice President - Finance for the Europe, Middle East and Africa region of American Express Travel Related Services Co. (TRS). Since joining American Express Co. in 1977, Stuart has held a variety of senior finance positions.

''Jay has a wealth of financial experience,'' said Steve Goldstein, President, CFS. ''His global management skills and financial expertise are key to our efforts.''

A graduate of Hofstra University, Stuart holds an M.B.A. from New York University.

Consumer Financial Services Group is a direct provider of personal financial services. Operating in 30 countries around the world, its portfolio includes insurance, lending and savings products. CFS is a business unit of American Express International, which also includes American Express Bank Ltd. and TRS International.

American Express Co., New York Maureen D. Bailey, 212/640-3311

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NORWALK, CONN (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Mountaintop Corp. (NASDAQ:VODK) announced that it has entered into a letter of intent to acquire certain assets of Koolau Brewery Inc. (''Koolau'') in exchange for $1.3 million to be paid in cash, Mountaintop Common Stock and a convertible debenture.

In addition, Koolau may receive additional contingent compensation of $700,000 to be paid in cash and Mountaintop Common Stock if certain performance goals are met.

Koolau, which is based in Honolulu, is a privately held corporation which brews Pali Hawaiian Beer, Diamond Head Dry and Koolau Lager.

Consummation of the proposed acquisition is subject to among other matters, negotiation and execution of a definitive agreement, completion of satisfactory ''due diligence'' reviews by both parties and approval by the board of directors of Mountaintop and the board of directors and shareholders of Koolau.

Mountaintop Corp., which is based in Norwalk, Conn., markets Attakiska Alaskan Vodka, a super premium vodka made in Alaska with glacier water and sold under Mountaintop's proprietary trademark, Attakiska.

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CINCINNATI (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Cincinnati Bell Inc. (NYSE:CSN) Monday declared a regular quarterly dividend on the company's stock of nineteen cents ($0.19) per share.

The dividend is payable Feb. 1, 1991, to shareowners of record Jan. 2, 1991.

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of TCBY Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:TBY), Monday declared a 10 cent per share cash dividend.

This dividend is payable on Dec. 21, 1990, to stockholders of record on Dec. 13, 1990.

Also, the board has authorized the repurchase of up to 1 million shares of the company's stock until Dec. 31, 1991. This authorization is in addition to the board's authorization to repurchase up to 1 million shares of the company's

stock announced Dec. 14, 1989.

To date, the company has repurchased over 600,000 shares, and the company believes that market conditions make such purchases attractive. Purchases pursuant to this program may be made in the open market and/or privately negotiated transactions.

The shares will be used for general corporate purposes including the Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) and other employee benefit plans. The company's board meeting was held at the corporate offices in Little Rock.

TCBY Enterprises Inc., was founded in 1981 by Frank D. Hickingbotham as a single unit frozen yogurt store in Little Rock. TCBY is the largest franchisor and operator of retail stores specializing in soft-serve frozen yogurt products.

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KINGSTON, N.Y. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - National Micronetics Inc. (NASDAQ:NMIC) announced that unaudited financial statements for the month ended Oct. 27 reflected a net loss of $548,000 on net sales of $981,000.

Furthermore, Newmax Co. Ltd., the Korean company which has a right to purchase 10.5 million shares of common stock of NMI for $4.2 million, has delayed its decision and has not yet obtained Korean government approval regarding the making of that investment.

An action has been initiated by MiniScribe Corp., as Debtor in Possession, to recover $2,813,000 of allegedly preferential or fraudulent transfers made by MiniScribe Corp. to NMI during the year 1989. A tentative settlement has been negotiated for the sum of $50,000, subject to approval of the Bankruptcy Court in Denver.

Newmax has advised that its decision whether to proceed with the acquisition is contingent upon such approval, among other things.

National Micronetics, is an independent magnetic recording head manufacturer for the disk drive industry.

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GREENWICH, CONN (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Walsh, Greenwood & Co., a

Connecticut-based investment firm, Monday announced that certain of its affiliates have acquired additional shares of common stock of The Shirt Shed Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SHRT) and certain securities exercisable for shares of Shirt Shed common stock.

Assuming full conversion and exercise of its securities, Walsh Greenwood and its affiliates own 3,763,303 shares of Shirt Shed common stock, representing approximately 44 percent of the outstanding common stock on a fully diluted basis.

These shares, together with shares owned or purchasable by management of Shirt Shed, represent in excess of 50 percent of the Shirt Shed common stock and may therefore represent the ability to effect certain changes through the voting of such shares, including, without limitation, a proposed acquisition of Shirt Shed by Signal Apparel Company Inc. (NYSE:SIA), an affiliate of Walsh Greenwood.

Signal is currently in discussions with Shirt Shed regarding the proposed acquisition by Signal of all outstanding shares of common stock of Shirt Shed not currently owned by Signal at a price of $4 per share. The negotiations between Signal and Shirt Shed are continuing and Signal and its affiliates are in the process of seeking financing to consummate the transaction.

Although no assurance can be given, Walsh Greenwood is confident that both the financing and the acquisition of Shirt Shed will be consummated.

In addition to the shares of common stock described above, Signal currently holds a $6 million subordinated note which, under certain circumstances, is convertible into shares of Shirt Shed's preferred stock, and at $3 per share, into 2 million shares of Shirt Shed's common stock.

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Vari-Care Inc. (NASDAQ:VCRE) Monday announced record fourth quarter and year-end results for the year ended Sept. 30.

Results for these periods included a pre-tax gain of $568,000 from the sale of the 67 bed Magnolia Haven Nursing Home in Tuskegee, Ala., effective Sept. 30.

Fourth quarter revenues rose 7 percent to $13,102,000 from $12,236,000 in the same period last year. Net income for the final quarter of fiscal 1990 was $628,000, or $.12 per share, versus $110,000, or $.03 per share in last year's fourth quarter.

Revenues for the year ended Sept. 30, were $49,349,000, up 5 percent compared to $46,965,000 last year. Net income for fiscal 1990 was $1,430,000, or $.27 per share, versus $1,241,000, or $.24 per share.

The company also announced that its board of directors declared a cash dividend at the rate of $.04 per share. This, the company's 17th consecutive annual cash dividend, is payable on Dec. 27, to shareholders of record on Dec. 13.

Commenting, Robert H. Hurlbut, president of Vari-Care, stated, ''Patient revenue growth was achieved despite a slight decline in overall patient census and a greater proportion of subsidized patients. This growth was based on increases in room rates, both private pay and subsidized, as well as greater income from ancillary services. A strong performance by our Alabama region, the stabilization of profitable operations in Arizona, plus the gain on the sale of Magnolia Haven produced our record earnings.

''We are extremely excited about the Renaissance, our new, luxurious 120-bed facility in Naples, Florida, designed for 60 skilled nursing care beds and 60 personal care beds, which is scheduled to open in several months. Likewise, the 44-bed addition to our Boulevard Manor facility in Boynton Beach, Florida will be operational soon. Although, on a near-term basis these expansions will have a negative impact on our consolidated results, we made the decision to expand in Florida because we are confident that they will, over time, contribute to our growth and profitability,'' Hurlbut concluded.

Vari-Care, Inc. provides a full range of recuperative and healthcare services including skilled nursing, intermediate and personal care, retirement apartments, home health care, adult day care, and meals-on-wheels. The company operates 23 long-term healthcare facilities in Alabama, Arizona, Florida and Texas with a capacity of 2,518 residents and 164 beds coming on line in 1991. The company also has a 68-unit retirement apartment complex in Texas.

Vari-Care Inc.
Financial Highlights

	For the Year Ended September 30,	
	1990(a)	1989
	(audited)	
Total revenues	$49,349,000	$46,965,000
Income before income taxes	2,286,000	2,091,000
Provision for income taxes	856,000	850,000
Net income	$1,430,000	$ 1,241,000
Net income per share	$.27	$.24

	For the Fourth Quarter Ended September 30,	
	1990(a)	1989

Total revenues	$13,102,000	$12,236,000
Income before income taxes	965,000	200,000
Provision for income taxes	337,000	90,000 (b)
Net income	$ 628,000	$ 110,000
Net income per share	$.12	$0.03

(a) Includes a pre-tax gain of $568,000 from the sale of the

Magnolia Haven Nursing Home in Tuskegee, Alabama, effective

Sept. 30, 1990. (b) The large provision for income taxes is a consequence of

differing state taxes and the inability for state tax purposes

to offset losses in one state against profits in other states.

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PORTLAND, MAINE (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The One Bancorp (''the Company''), announced Monday to investors holding the $9,996,000 remaining principal balance of its 7-1/2 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures that it has decided to suspend the approximately $375,000 interest payable on the debentures today, although the Company has sufficient assets and liquidity to make the payment.

In October, 1990 the Company repurchased $26.8 million of the $36.8 million principal balance of convertible subordinated debentures previously outstanding at a gain of approximately $22 million.

Vincent E. Furey Jr., president and chief executive officer noted that, ''The Company is obligated to employ its funds judiciously, and the Indenture relating to the Subordinated Debentures provides a thiry-day grace period for payment of interest. The Company intends to complete a review of its current financial position and a reassessment of alternative courses of action which may be taken.''

Upon completion, a final decision will be made regarding the interest payment.

The Convertible Subordinated Debentures are obligations of The One Bancorp. As such, suspension of the interest payment will have no impact on the

Company's banking subsidiaries, Maine Savings Bank, Southstate Bank for Savings and The Bank of Hartford, each of which 2ontinue to maintain sufficient liquidity to fund operations and to honor all financial commitments.

Furey emphasized that, ''Payment of interest on certificates of deposit and all other deposit accounts at the banking subsidiaries will not be affected and all other business conducted by the subsidiaries will continue as usual.''

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. for up to $100,000 per custom account. The One Bancorp is a $2.2-billion, Maine-based bank holding company with FDIC-insured banking subsidiaries in Maine, Connecticut and Massachusetts.

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PARAMUS, NJ (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Jennifer Convertibles Inc. (NASDAQ: JENN BSE:JEN) Monday reported year end results and record sales for the period ending Aug. 31. Profits for the fourth quarter were the highest in the company's history.

Jennifer Convertibles Monday announced results of operations for its fiscal year which ended Aug. 31. Sales increased by 7.4 percent to $32,117,341 compared to $29,909,342 in fiscal 1989. The company's loss for the period decreased by $1,037,371 from $1,334,471 in fiscal 1989 to $297,100 in fiscal 1990.

Harley Greenfield, president of Jennifer, said that after the significant growth in stores and sales from fiscal 1987 to fiscal 1989, fiscal 1990 was a year of consolidation. During the year two new stores were opened and six stores were closed as a result of the company reevaluating the efficiency of each store's operation. Of the loss of $297,100 for fiscal 1990, $288,611 was attributable to costs associatecd with the six closed stores and their operations prior to closing.

In a year where many retailers, particularly those in the Northeast, suffered substantial losses and liquidity problems, the company generated positive cash flow from operations of $419,821 in fiscal 1990 compared to a negative cash flow of $1,548,767 in fiscal 1989, an improvement of approximately $2 million.

During the year, cost of sales and selling and G&A expenses as a percent of sales were reduced, demonstrating the economies of scale which can be achieved as the company's growth continues.

For the fourth quarter ended Aug. 31, revenues were $7,918,734 and net

earnings after tax were $81,256 or three cents per share, the highest in the company's history. Greenfield said that the results of the fourth quarter were especially significant in view of the economic environment in which they were achieved.

Subsequent to the end of the year the company has signed a series of agreements with Crown Investment Group Ltd. and its wholly owned subsidiary Summit Investment Group Ltd. pursuant to which six licensed stores will be established and operated in Florida.

The company will receive a five percent royalty on sales by the Florida stores. In addition, two company-owned stores were sold to Rudzin Furniture Inc. and a ten-year license agreement was entered into between Rudzin and the company whereby Rudzin will pay a royalty of five percent of these stores sales to the company.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - New England Telephone and New York Telephone announced Monday they will give local transport providers like Teleport Communications Group and Metropolitan Fiber Systems the opportunity to interconnect to the network by placing their transmission equipment in telephone company central offices.

This arrangement will enable these companies to connect directly to the telephone companies' networks and broaden the opportunities to offer private line and special access services to their customers.

NYNEX's telephone companies are among the first in the nation to offer this type of access arrangement to its competitors in the local exchange market.

"This signals a major change in how the telephone companies will connect other local providers into their networks," said Brian Lane, vice president - Regulatory Matters for the NYNEX telephone companies. He noted the new access arrangements will ultimately provide an increased number of options to customers and will create a more robust local network.

"NYNEX's action recognizes competition in the local exchange business and is consistent with regulatory policies favoring competition in this area," said Lane. "It also reflects NYNEX's view that competition is healthy wherever it best serves the needs of our customers."

NYNEX's unprecedented move follows petitions by Teleport to the regulatory commissions in Massachusetts and New York seeking new access arrangements in connecting its equipment to the New England Telephone and New York Telephone

networks.

New England Telephone announced its plans to offer the new type of access arrangements in a November 30 filing to the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities. Pending DPU approval, the company will have 90 days to submit an intrastate tariff for offering these new services. The tariff will also include comprehensive pricing proposals for the interconnection arrangements. New York Telephone is expected to file tariffs for new interconnection arrangements by year's end, according to Lane.

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Maureen Flanagan, 212/395-0500

KEYWORD: NEW YORK

INDUSTRY KEYWORD: TELEPHONE/TELECOMMUNICATIONS Z

REPEATS: New York 212-575-8822 or 800-221-2462; Boston 617-330-5311 or 800-225-2030; SF 415-986-4422 or 800-227-0845; LA 213-380-8383

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EAST HARTFORD, CT (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Following the appointment of the current President of IAE, Nick Tomassetti, to the position of executive VP for Commercial Engine Business in Pratt & Whitney, his replacement has been announced, effective Jan. 1, 1991, as Roland P. Dilda.

Dilda is presently vice president - strategic planning in Pratt & Whitney. He has over 26 years of experience at P&W and has progressed through positions of increasing responsibility in engineering and customer support and has held management positions in the United States and overseas.

More recently, he served as vice president - marketing and product support in P&W Canada, and in his current assignment, Roland is responsible for the overall strategic planning process for P&W's Commercial Engine programs.

CONTACT: International Aero Engines, East Hartford, Robert Nuttal, (203) 659-1812 (work) or (203) 657-2798 (home).

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BEDFORD HEIGHTS, OH (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Riser Foods, Inc. (AMEX: RSR) today reported its results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 which ended October 20, 1990, noting continued profitability improvement over last year.

The company's results for its first quarter of fiscal 1991, a sixteen week quarter which ended October 20, 1990, showed net income of $2.4 million, or 30 cents per share, on sales of $315 million compared with net income of $1.9 million, or 23 cents per share, on sales of $320 million a year ago.

Riser noted that the net income reported for the first quarter of the previous fiscal year included an extraordinary income item of $500,000 which represented the utilization of a Federal Income Tax net operating loss carryforward.

Riser indicated that first quarter net profits increased 30 percent over last year despite higher effective income tax rates. Additionally, fiscal 1991 results do not include any extraordinary income items which benefited last year' results.

The continued emphasis on strengthening margins and reducing operating and administrative costs, coupled with interest rate reductions, have contributed significantly to the continuing trend of profitability.

Riser said that it is pleased with its first quarter results despite the 1.6 percent decrease in sales. Riser's decrease in sales was attributed primarily to a decrease in sales of five of the company's Carl's stores and a decrease in sales of its wholesale division which was affected when one of its customers closed five stores last spring.

Sales from Riser's 39 Stop-N-Shop stores remained unchanged from last year. However, Riser noted that it experienced sales increases in its five Akron area Carl's stores and its Eagle Ice Cream division.

Based on its continued improving performance, Riser announced that commencing with the second quarter of fiscal 1991, it had negotiated reductions in the interest rates and fees associated with its Bank Credit Facility over and above those attainable in the existing agreement. Riser feels these reductions are further evidence of its strengthened financial position and improved banking relationships.

Riser operates 50 supermarkets in Northeastern Ohio under the Rini-Rego Stop-N-Shop and Carl's format, one deep discount store, a wholesale food distribution business (American Seaway Foods), a food service division (Seaway Food Services) and an ice cream manufacturing operation (Eagle Ice Cream).

CONTACT: Ronald W. Ocasek, Chief Financial Officer at (216) 591-2830 or Anthony C. Rego, Chief Executive Officer at (216) 591-2743, both of Riser Foods, Inc.

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MILWAUKEE (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Computerized Thermal Imaging (CTI) is under an agreement to deliver a thermal imaging unit to the Milwaukee County General Hospital, a leading pediatric hospital in the country, located in Milwaukee.

Milwaukee County is a 1,200 bed facility which plans to utilize additional termal imaging units before the end of the first year. CTI, moreover, has verbal agreements from the following medical facilities:

Highland Park Imaging Center (2 units)
University of Chicago (2 units)
Rush Presbyterian Saint Lukes (3 units)
University of Wisconsin (1 unit)

Management believes all of the above verbal agreements should be signed within 30 days.

Each thermal imaging unit sold brings in a minimum of $225,000 in revenue. Once the unit is in, furthermore, the contract (which is locked into for six years) provides the medical facility with an average $500 per case, which translates into $600,000 of which CTI receives 25 percent or $150,000 on an annual basis. Management bases this figure on the following conservative estimate - $150,000

Based on the above verbal agreements, this translates into $3.5 million in the first year, and $2 million thereafter on a residual basis with no increase in case load.

Computerized Thermal Imaging Inc. is the state-of-the-art leader in medical diagnostic computerized thermal imaging technology. Computerized thermal imaging is a non-invasive, harmless technique using the body's own infrared energy like a road map to detect abnormalities in human physiology.

CONTACT: World Financial Network Inc., Los Angeles, Edward S. Rodriguez Mira, 1-800-245-4605.

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AUSTIN, TX (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Gulf States Utilities Co. (NYSE:GSU) officials announced Monday that the Beaumont-based electric utility will implement a $65 million bonded interim rate increase in Texas next week.

The base rate increase, which will go into effect Dec. 11, will be subject to

refund if a lesser amount is granted on a permanent basis.

GSU filed a rate case with the Public Utility Commission of Texas in March 1989. State law provides for rates to be put into effect under bond after a certain period of time has elapsed. GSU's case was placed under suspension while the PUCT awaited a ruling from the Texas Supreme Court on whether certain River Bend costs could be considered by the commission.

Several other Texas utilities have already implemented rates under bond this year, including Houston Lighting & Power, Texas Utilities, El Paso Electric Co. and Texas-New Mexico Power Co.

Officials decided to implement rates under bond to avoid the possible loss of additional revenues while the rate request remains under consideration.

Company officials said the bonded rates should be in effect for only a few months, since a final decision in the rate case is expected during February 1991. If the amount granted is less than the interim amount, customers will get refunds plus interest. A bond is posted to ensure the utility has enough money to make any necessary refunds.

It has been two and one-half years since GSU received a rate increase in Texas. Since January 1988, the company has received about $60 million in rate increases in Texas and about $158 million in rate increases in Louisiana. GSU has also requested that a $29.9 million revenue increase go into effect in Louisiana next March.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Deak International officially has become Thomas Cook Currency Service Inc., bringing a 150-year tradition in travel to North America.

The name change, effective Dec. 3, was the final step in the August acquisition of Deak International by The Thomas Cook Group, based in London. The firm will operate using the trade name Thomas Cook Foreign Exchange.

The company's Southeast regional office is located in Atlanta and oversees operations in several states in the Southeast. In North America, the firm operates a 110-branch foreign exchange and precious metals retail network. The Thomas Cook Group is the largest retail foreign exchange network in the world.

"For many years, The Thomas Cook Group has maintained a high retail profile in Europe and around the world," said Peter J. Middleton, chief executive officer

of The Thomas Cook Group. "Deak's name change and the worldwide reputation the company enjoys in the travel business will give us the same high profile in North America."

Thomas Cook Foreign Exchange will serve corporate clients and individuals in North America, providing currency exchange, traveler's checks and precious metals for investment.

"Joining The Thomas Cook Group team is a giant step for us and our customers," said Sue Holloway, vice president and Southeast area manager of Thomas Cook Foreign Exchange and formerly with Deak International. "Becoming a part of this well-known international firm will greatly benefit our clients, increasing their accessibility to our services worldwide."

The acquisition added 72 branches in the United States and 38 branches in Canada to the 1,600-plus Thomas Cook network worldwide. The firm also acquired Deak offices in the United Kingdom and New Zealand. The Thomas Cook Group is now represented in 120 countries.

"Our corporate name, synonymous with trust and reliability in travel for nearly 150 years, brings a strong base to our newest branches in North America " Middleton said. "This represents another major step in Thomas Cook's continuing commitment to a standard of outstanding service worldwide." Annual sales in the United States by The Thomas Cook Group exceed more than $20 billion.

The Thomas Cook Group, founded in 1841, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Midland Bank. The Thomas Cook Group and Thomas Cook Currency Services Inc. specialize in foreign exchange, traveler's checks and precious metal investments. The company is headquartered in London. Annual sales exceeded $20 billion (US). The North American retail operation is currently headquartered in Toronto.

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HARTFORD, CT (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - The Advest Group Inc. announced that Advest Bank, its wholly-owned subsidiary, is no longer subject to the Competitive Equality Banking Act of 1987.

This means the bank is freed from the constraints which regulated its growth, cross-marketing efforts and expansion of activities.

''Advest Bank remains a Connecticut-chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank.

However we will have more flexibility in marketing our services and will ultimately be able to meet a broader array of customer needs,'' according to Allen Weintraub, chief executive officer of The Advest Group Inc.

The bank continues to be regulated primarily by the Banking Department of the State of Connecticut and nothing changes in regard to its charter, capital structure or customer relationships.

''The bank has successfully met the Qualified Thrift Lender test which essentially means that the majority of the bank's loans are, and must continue to be, housing related. That fits with the overall approach taken by the bank since it opened in 1984,'' said John F. Beckert, president of Advest Bank.

In addition, The Advest Group was able to elect to be treated technically as a savings and loan holding company. ''Because The Advest Group is a diversified financial services company, this change is advantageous. We offer the full array of investment brokerage services through Advest Inc., and can now also provide a wider range of banking services through Advest Bank. This flexibility is an important part of our long-term marketing capability,'' Weintraub noted.

''There is no change to the corporation's capital structure and no action is required by shareholders,'' he added.

The Advest Group is a diversified financial services company headquartered in Hartford. It is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ADV.

In addition to Advest Bank, the company's other principal subsidiaries include Advest Inc., a leading regional broker/dealer; Boston Security Counsellors, an investment management company; Shore & Reich Ltd., a retirement plan administrator; Lyons Zomback & Ostrowski, financial consultants specializing in the banking industry.

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WINDSOR LOCKS, CT (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Burritt Bank of New Britain opened its first supermarket branch office in the Finast supermarket located in Tri-City Plaza in Vernon, Connecticut Monday.

''We are much more than just a check cashing facility,'' said Jack C. Jaynes, president and chief executive officer of Burritt. ''Through our in-store facility, Finast clients will have access to full-service banking seven days each week.''

Burritt's new Finast branch will provide a complete range of financial services, including savings, checking, certificates of deposit, as well as mortgage and consumer loans.

''One of the most unique aspects of Burritt's first supermarket branch,'' noted Jack Moffatt, president of First National Supermarkets Eastern Division, ''are the unprecedented hours of operation. This will be the first time a bank in New England is open everyday, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. This presents a wonderful time savings convenience to our Finast customers, and we're extremely pleased to join with Burritt Bank in offering this additional service.''

Although the concept of a full-service bank inside a supermarket is a new one for this market area, nearly 800 successful in-store banks already exist throughout the United States. In accordance with an agreement signed earlier this year with Burritt Bank, First National Supermarkets will open three additional in-store Burritt branches in 1991. These locations include the Southington Edwards and two proposed Finast stores in Bloomfield and West Hartford.

Burritt Bank currently serves central Connecticut with 11 offices in New Britain and in suburban Hartford communities. First National operates 36 Finast and Edwards stores in Connecticut and another 28 in New York, New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

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POUGHKEEPSIE, NY (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Poughkeepsie Savings Bank (NASDAQ:PKPS) Monday announced that its President, J. Michael Feeks, and Executive Vice President-General Counsel, Neil S. Lang, have resigned, effective at the end of this year.

The Company said their management positions were being eliminated as part of an intensified effort to reduce operating expenses and restore the Bank's profitability.

In making the announcement, Poughkeepsie's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Christoph H. Schmidt, said, ''A more streamlined management structure is consistent with our plans to transform Poughkeepsie Savings into a smaller, locally-oriented institution. Michael Feeks and Neil Lang have both made significant contributions to the Bank, and will be helping us to make this transition as orderly as possible.'' The duties of President will be assumed by Mr. Schmidt, and the two executives' other responsibilities will be transferred to other bank officers.

Messrs. Feeks and Lang intend to open a consulting firm offering banks and thrifts a variety of services relating to the new regulatory and economic environment. Schmidt said that Poughkeepsie anticipates utilizing the firm's services to assist the Bank in the implementation of its plans.

Poughkeepsie Savings Bank, with assets of $1.4 billion, is a community banking institution with 11 branch offices in the mid-Hudson Valley region of New York and a mortgage banking subsidiary based in Tampa, Florida.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - Effective Dec. 2, passengers who fly Swissair and Delta Air Lines may enjoy convenient through-check-in service.

Customers from Switzerland to North America with onward Delta connections, and Delta passengers transferring onto Swissair flights to Switzerland need only check-in once -- at their original airport of departure.

Normally, passengers changing flights to another air carrier must check in again at the transit airport concerned. On itineraries involving several changes of airline, this can also mean waiting on line to check in a number of times.

Swissair and Delta's new ''through-check-in'' program eliminates this inconvenience. A Swissair customer traveling from Geneva via Zurich to Atlanta, for example, with an onward Delta connection to Mexico City, can receive all three boarding cards: Geneva-Zurich, Zurich-Atlanta, and Atlanta-Mexico City -- when checking in at Geneva Airport. The system also works for a Delta customer who, for example, flies from Memphis via Atlanta to Zurich, with an onward Swissair connection to Milan. This translates into a considerable amount of time saved on such multi-sector flights.

The service is effective in seven U.S. gateways where Delta and Swissair have joint operations, including Anchorage, Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York and Philadelphia.

The through-check-in procedure, a major service innovation for the air transport world, uses the United Nations EDIFACT computer language for its operations.

Through-check-in is just one example of the customer benefits being developed by Swissair and Delta in their marketing alliance.

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Public Relations, 404/765-2534

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DALLAS (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - SRX, the Dallas-based manfacturer of premium telecommunications systems and related peripherals, Monday announced the introduction of the privately-held company's new VisionACD Management Reports Package.

''Our new turnkey package was designed to provide Automatic Call Distribution system administrators with immediate access to useful information concerning ACD activities, including number of agents logged in, agents logged out, agents in wrap and the amount of time a call stays in queue before being answered,'' explained Jim Steenbergen, SRX president and CEO.

Running on an external personal computer, the VisionACD Management Reports Package also enables the system administrator to manage up to 64 ACD groups with up to 63 agents per group, monitor real-time ACD activity via color display and generate customized real-time and historical reports based on system-provided information.

Reports may also be generated which evaluate agent performance, agent groups and trunks in order to maximize control of a call center; frequently-required reports may be programmed to be automatically generated on a regular basis.

No special supervisor or agent phones are necessary for the VisionACD Management Reports Package, which requires SRX Release 4.3 or greater software for System One and Release 2.1 or greater software for VisionMS. The package is compatible with all SRX stations and comes with the standard SRX One-Year Warranty.

Founded in 1983, privately-owned SRX provides premium telecommunications switching equipment including patented voice and data switching technologies to customers worldwide.

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Gaynel Richie Buck, 214/386-5400

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#90337b0890 12/03/1990 ~Business Wire

TINTON FALLS, N.J. (DEC. 3) BUSINESS WIRE - December 3, 1990--Concurrent Computer Corporation announced today that its formal grace period with members of its bank group has come to an end.

Discussions with the bank group are scheduled to continue. This week Concurrent will make available its new business plan and proposals for recapitalization to its bank group and bondholders.

Denis R. Brown, Concurrent's president and CEO commented, ''In September we implemented a detailed evaluation of our business. Concurrent has worked with its banks and bondholders during this process. The evaluation is proceeding on schedule. Our new business plan will result in a new, streamlined operation which will allow Concurrent to return to profitability after a successful restructuring. We look forward to discussions with our banks and bondholders regarding our business plan and recapitalization proposals.''

Concurrent Computer Corporation is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through the Commcercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems Groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

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NORWALK, CT (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - First National Realty Associates Inc., headquartered in Norwalk, announced Monday that it has reached an agreement in principle to merge First United, Realtors of Chicago, with First National Realty, according to Jay N. Torok, chairman and chief executive officer.

''We are excited at the prospect of adding an esteemed firm such as First United to the growing First National Realty family,'' stated Torok. ''First United will be an asset for First National Realty, bringing an outstanding reputation for growth and professionalism, and a track record for excellence in providing real estate brokerage services, and will establish First National as a dominant presence in what we feel is a key marketplace, the greater Chicago area.''

First United, Realtors, the largest privately owned real estate company in greater Chicago, maintains 28 branch offices and 700 sales associates, serving the Chicago metropolitan area.

This will be the fourth major acquisition by the company in the last two months, First National Realty having already acquired regional firms such as Royer Realty of Atlanta; Realtech Realtors of Wilton, Conn. and Gribin Von Dyl of Sherman Oaks, Calif. in the past six weeks.

This acquisition will bring First National Realty to a total of over 2,200 sales associates in 82 branch offices throughout the company.

First National Realty is a national residential real estate brokerage company founded in 1988, with the following operations; Wallace, Anderson Realtors, San Francisco; and Ramsey-Shilling Inc., Gribin Von Dyl and Dipple Realty, Los Angeles; Realtech Realtors, Fairfield County, Conn.; First National Realty of Florida, Boca Raton, Fla.; First National Realty, Atlanta; and Ackerman & Co., Houston.

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203/372-8618 (res.).

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Austin McDaniel Corp.(TICKER: ASTN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$291,793	$223,680
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(52,577)	$(10,008)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,432,845	$1,472,484
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,360,466	$1,413,043

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by DAVIN Computer Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(191,274)	$(186,695)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	75,042,428	50,167,661

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,963,569	$289,173
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,225,610	$(854,990)

The company, a development stage enterprise, reports its planned principle operations, development of a range of OEM commercial/industrial minicomputers, based on a new computer architecture made possible by recent technological developments, have not yet generated any revenue. The company states its continued operations are dependent on generating cash flow from operations or additional financing. DAVIN's executive offices are located at 17922-J Sky Park Circle, Irvine, CA 92714, and its telephone number is (714) 250-0414.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Merchants Bank of New York.(TICKER: MBNY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,405,808	$2,674,603
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.97	$1.08
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,481,101	1,654,029

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$658,314,564	$667,521,290
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$68,925,309	$64,069,474

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by ENERCAP Corp.(TICKER: ENCP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,021,000	$363,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,479,000)	$(804,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	59,762,000	58,640,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$19,080,000	$25,149,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(9,000)	$3,854,000

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Photon Technology International Inc. (TICKER: PHON).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,417,618	$1,003,293
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$8,613	$(145,706)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,989,306	$1,933,668

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,730,507	$3,607,740
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$928,285	$919,672

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Nobel Insurance Ltd.(TICKER: NOBL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,662,000	$14,579,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,065,000	$(1,043,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.17	$(0.20)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,265,459	5,277,739

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$118,621,000	$127,269,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,639,000	$8,866,000

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by ECC Energy Corp.(TICKER: ECCE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$560,000	$319,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(99,000)	$(310,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,278,800	2,292,880

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,873,000	$5,394,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,241,000	$3,945,000

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#90337c0012 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 8:58 that trade in Care Plus Inc.(NASDAQ: CPLS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 15 3/8. The company is located in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

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STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:00 that trade in New England Critical Care Inc.(NASDAQ: NECC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 26. The company is located in West Borough, Massachusetts .

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 29:

Fonar Corp. (FONR)

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 30 due to an insufficient number of active market makers:

Aspen Leaf Inc. (TREE)
Universal Medical Buildings Limited Partnership - Cl. A Wts. (UMBIW)

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 29:

Care-Med Centers Inc. (CMCI); Filing delinquency

DSP Technology Inc. - Uts. (DSPTU); Components no longer qualify, Cl. A Wts., 12/30/90 (DSPTW); Insufficient number of active market makers

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#90337c0016 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following issues will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 3:

Environmental Diagnostics Inc. - New (EDITD) to (EDIT)
SBE Inc. - New (SBEID) to (SBEI)
Staar Surgical Co. - New (STAAD) to (STAA)
Symbolics Inc. (SMBX) to (SMBXD) (1 for 10 reverse split)
Texscan Corp. - New (TXCND) to (TXCN)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Nov. 30:

Avon Rent-a-Car and Truck Corp. (AVON) to (AVONQ), Cl. B Wts. 9/30/91 (AVONZ) to (AVOZQ)

Bralorne Resources Ltd. (BRALF) to BRL Enterprises Inc. (1 for 25 reverse split (BRAFD)

Frenchtex Inc. (FRCH) to (FRCHE)
Second National Federal Savings Bank (SNFSE) to (SNFS)
Y & A Group Inc. (YGRP) to (YGRPE)
Zenox Inc. (ZENO) to (ZENOE)

-30- 895

#90337c0017 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:01 that trade in Continental Airlines Holdings has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol CTA.

-30- 337

#90337c0018 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:02 that trade in Eastern Airlines has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol EAL.D.

-30- 312

#90337c0020 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:35 that trade in New England Critical Care Inc.(NASDAQ: NECC) has been resumed. The first sale was 24 3/4; down 1 1/4 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 375

#90337c0021 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Intercontinental Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: ENTI) reports that it has been informed its former independent accountants, Laventhol & Horwath, recently filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, and as a result, is no longer the company's independent accountant.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 734

#90337c0022 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Farm House Foods Corp.(TICKER: FHFC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Oct. 13, 1990	Oct. 14, 1989
REVENUES	$24,202,000	$27,006,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$7,546,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(6,898,000)	$(10,082,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.73)	$(1.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,433,816	9,433,816

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 13, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$41,239,000	$49,945,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(33,631,000)	$(24,768,000)

-30- 1091

#90337c0023 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by The Learning Annex Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,351,137	$1,527,548
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$286,936	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$302,530	$(68,851)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,160,144	4,860,144

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$538,442	$703,524
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(2,004,727)	$(2,307,257)

-30- 1049

#90337c0024 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Maryland Bancorp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$16,289,000	$19,865,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,702,662	$7,186,938
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$531,326	$489,296

-30- 721

#90337c0025 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Providence and Worester Railroad Co.(TICKER: PWRR) announced that on Nov. 20, the company

learned that its accountant, Laventhol & Horwath, has ceased transacting business and has filed for bankruptcy protection.

Accordingly, Providence states, it deems the relationship between it and Laventhol & Horwath to be terminated.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 765
#90337c0026 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Applied DNA Systems Inc.(TICKER: ADNA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$159,418	$34,907
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(11,852)	$(5,894)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(442,757)	$(278,957)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,551,885	9,348,987

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,874,995	$2,163,555
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,127,262	$1,479,564

The company states it is a development stage enterprise and its revenues consist of income from investments in short-term cash equivalents, commercial paper CDs and income from contracts.

The company's address is 55 Access Road, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886, and its telephone number is (401) 732-6520.

-30- 1401
#90337c0028 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Penta Systems International Inc.(TICKER: PSLI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,693,050	$2,277,630
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$634,270
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(549,939)	$416,779
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.13)	$0.08

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,687,403	$8,259,540
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$648,753	$1,737,163

-30- 1014
#90337c0029 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Filmstar Inc.(TICKER: FLTR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$838,000	$1,003,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(364,000)	$(267,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,613,000	4,403,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,201,000	$9,750,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$638,000	$1,015,000

-30- 1072
#90337c0030 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Equity AU Inc.(TICKER: EQAU).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended	Nine Months Ended
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$4,180	$4,180
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(116,543)	$(307,300)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	19,274,085	19,136,547

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,608,038	$3,584,668
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,800,909	$3,083,233

The company, a development stage enterprise, and attributes operating losses in the third quarter to the fact that production operations for the milling facility located in Mena, Arkansas have not yet started. The company's executive offices are located at 625 Digital Drive, Suite 109, Plano, Texas 75075, and its telephone number is (214) 867-2022.

-30- 1472
#90337c0031 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Clinton Gas Systems Inc.(TICKER: CGAS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,146,630	$9,101,806
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(430,876)	$(48,989)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,140,840	6,133,767

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$38,696,878	$41,359,933
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$19,180,125	$19,619,630

-30- 1075

#90337c0032 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by De Tomaso Industries Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$43,674,339	Lit 91,681
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(8,956,522)	Lit (5,815)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(4.35)	Lit (2,826)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$391,755,328	Lit 428,699
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(2,132,140)	(56,019)

(1989 figures are reported in millions of Italian lire).

-30- 1073

#90337c0033 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ironton Iron Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,879,000	$2,223,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,232,000)	$(1,975,000)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,341,000	$7,752,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(6,385,000)	$(3,058,000)

-30- 922

#90337c0034 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Electro-Kinetic Systems Inc.(TICKER: EKSI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$274,313	$278,461
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(117,445)	$(95,438)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,910,906	$1,275,727
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,076,337	$635,839

-30- 1015

#90337c0036 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:28 that trade in Tally Industries Inc. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol TAL.

-30- 345
#90337c0037 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:26 that trade in Tacoma BoatBuilding Co. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol TBO.

-30- 324
#90337c0038 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cryotech Industries Inc.(TICKER: CRYO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,339,282	$563,177
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$10,838	$10,412
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,300,100	2,300,100

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,233,938	$3,811,414
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$891,352	$781,090

-30- 1086
#90337c0039 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by International Research and Development Corp. (TICKER: IRDV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,537,206	$6,632,574

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$538,396	$1,266,402
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$0.22
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,607,811	5,709,033

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$46,283,705	$58,280,974
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$19,096,661	$18,558,891

-30- 1123

#90337c0040 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bounty Group Inc.(TICKER: BNTY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$97,089	$156,282
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(39,924)	$6,553
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,289,039	5,289,039

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,380,508	$4,522,954
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,795,381	$2,835,305

-30- 1070

#90337c0041 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Franklin Consolidated Mining Co. Inc. (TICKER: FKCM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$42,718	$5,071
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(296,085)	$(707,971)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,150,764	$4,878,890
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,951,711	$4,716,863

The company is a development stage enterprise. Its corporate address is P.O. Box 508, Idaho Springs, Colorado 80452, and its telephone number is (303) 567-4080.

-30- 1150

#90337c0042 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Suffield Financial Corp.(TICKER: SFCP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(9,137,000)	$13,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.52)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,006,745	6,024,296

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$562,856,000	$591,204,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$21,722,000	$36,676,000

-30- 884

#90337c0044 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by DS Bancor Inc.(TICKER: DSBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$708,000	$1,039,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.37	$0.47
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,895,384	2,222,958

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$624,601,000	$605,146,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$51,457,000	$55,858,000

-30- 856

#90337c0046 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Federal Financial Corp. of Kentucky. (TICKER: FFKY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$730,930	$719,214
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.69	$0.68

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$203,769,600	$199,610,890
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$33,169,544	$32,333,226

-30- 833

#90337c0047 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Berkshire Gas Co.(TICKER: BGAS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,314,000	$3,760,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,385,000)	$(1,400,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.86)	$(0.88)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,644,949	1,612,417

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$85,003,000	$83,680,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,493,000	$20,299,000

-30- 1122

#90337c0048 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Delaware Savings Bank F.S.B.(TICKER: DESB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,278,000)	$(35,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(5.44)	$(0.15)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$66,820,000	$73,731,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,070,000	$2,441,000

-30- 809

#90337c0049 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 31, 1990, Information Resources Inc.(TICKER: IRIC) consummated the previously

announced spinoff of its wholly-owned subsidiary, VideOcart Corp. (TICKER: VCRT) in a tax-free distribution.

The business and assets of VideOcart at the time consisted of the business of the company relating to the continuing development and marketing of VideOcart and the continuing business of IRAUS Pty. Ltd. and Apollo Information Resources Pty. Limited, two wholly-owned Australian subsidiaries.

The company reports each stockholder of record as of Oct. 19, 1990 received one share of VideOcart common stock for every two shares of IRI common stock owned on that date (other than IRI stockholders waiving their rights to such distribution).

The company distributed 8,863,340 shares of VideOcart commons stock to such stockholders.

-30- 1061

#90337c0050 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by U.S. Precious Metals Inc.(TICKER: USPM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,138,411	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$39,697	$(141,439)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,287,519	$7,217,533
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(10,875,660)	$(9,181,788)

(Figures are expressed in Canadian dollars).

-30- 1050

#90337c0051 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Tally Industries Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock

Exchange, ticker symbol TAL. Trading was resumed at 12:50.

-30- 354
#90337c0053 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Continental Airlines Holdings Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CTA. Trading was resumed at 13:22.

-30- 379
#90337c0054 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Eastern Airlines has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol EAL. Trading was resumed at 13:22.

-30- 344
#90337c0055 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L. LEA OWNS 379,045 SHARES (5.30%) OF MARGAUX INC.(TICKER: MRGX) OF NEWARK, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 5, 1989, the bankruptcy court approved and confirmed Margaux Inc. reorganization plan, including granting the noteholders the right to convert the promissory notes prior to April 1991 into 6,375,000 shares of Margaux Inc. common stock. As a result, Mr. Lea's $25,000 promissory note became convertible into 375,000 shares. This right to convert was given in exchange for the noteholders' agreement to extend the due date of the notes from April 1990 to April 1991 and to subordinate their security interest in Margaux Inc. assets to up to $1,000,000 of additional financing.

-30- 893
#90337c0056 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CENTENNIAL ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 52,000 SHARES (6.02%) OF ESB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: ESBB) OF ALIQUIPPA, PENNSYLVANIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 8, 1989 through Jan. 10, 1990, Centennial Associates LP purchased 52,000 shares at a price $10.88 to $15.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 512
#90337c0057 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.W. WARLICK OWNS 286,500 SHARES (5.00%) OF LEECO DIAGNOSTICS INC. (TICKER: LECO) OF SOUTHFIELD, MICHIGAN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 10, 1990 through Nov. 27, 1990, W.W. Warlick purchased 8,000 shares at a price of $1.75 to $2 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 483
#90337c0058 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS (5.00%) OF OWENS & MINOR INC. (TICKER: OMI) OF RICHMOND, VIRGINIA.

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board to less than 5 percent.

-30- 470
#90337c0059 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS (5.00%) OF DEP CORP.(TICKER: DEPC) OF RANCHO DOMINGUEZ, CALIFORNIA.

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board to less than 5 percent.

-30- 474
#90337c0061 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Matsushita Acquisition Corp. commenced a tender offer on Nov. 30, 1990 for all shares of MCA Inc.(TICKER: MCA) at $66 net per share. The offer is set to expire on Dec. 29, 1990. The board of MCA Inc. has unanimously voted to accept the offer.

-30- 468
#90337c0062 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M. WOLKOWITZ OWNS 603,463 SHARES (5.07%) OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: NEG) OF NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M. Wolkowitz received 25,603 common shares and 18,288 convertible preferred shares in exchange for $175,000 in debentures pursuant to an exchange offer by National Environmental Group Inc. on June 30, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

M. Wolkowitz purchased 10,000 shares on June 25, 1990 for $.19 per share and 3,000 preferred shares on Aug. 30, 1990 for $3.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 769
#90337c0063 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

M. WOLKOWITZ OWNS 920,919 SHARES (7.09%) OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: NEG) OF NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M. Wolkowitz received 14,902 common shares on Oct. 1, 1990 and 980 common and 700 preferred shares in lieu of $7,000 in directors fees owed by National Enviromental Group Inc. to M. Wolkowitz.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

M. Wolkowitz purchased 32,500 shares from Nov. 2-16, 1990 for $.13 to $.19 per share. On Nov. 27, 1990, M. Wolkowitz purchased 11,694 common shares and 5,569 preferred shares for a total of $25,000.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 809
#90337c0064 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

J.A. COLE OWNS 9,375,000 SHARES (82.00%) OF CHILD WORLD INC. (TICKER: CWLD).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The stock purchase agreement dated Aug. 24, 1990 in which Toys Plus Inc. was to purchase CW Holding. Corp.'s 82 percent holdings in Child World Inc. has been terminated, along with the related merger agreement.

PURPOSE:

Termination of merger agreement.

-30- 553
#90337c0065 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 20

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 446,422 SHARES (11.50%) OF PERINI INVESTMENT PROPERTIES INC.(TICKER: PNV) OF FRAMINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 2-23, 1990, Harris Associates LP, et al. sold 31,300 shares for $5.88 to $6.63 per share and 14,400 shares were transferred from Harris accounts.

-30- 546
#90337c0066 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 1,710,817 SHARES (9.40%) OF PANSOPHIC SYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: PNS) OF LISLE, ILLINOIS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 4 to Nov. 23, 1990, Harris Associates LP, et al. sold 242,650 shares and purchased 77,100 shares for $7.38 to $9.69 per share, and 164,900 shares were transferred from Harris accounts.

-30- 563
#90337c0067 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP OWNS 466,601 SHARES (5.40%) OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC.(TICKER: APB) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 24 to Nov. 23, 1990, Harris Associates LP, et al. sold 96,600 shares and purchased 1,000 shares for $10.38 to $11.52 per share, and 20,400 shares were transferred from Harris accounts.

-30- 567
#90337c0069 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:53 that trade in Maryland Federal Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: MFSL) has been resumed. The first sale was 7; up 1/2 point from the halt, and unchanged from the previous close.

-30- 376
#90337c0070 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:28 that trade in Gleason Corp. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol GLE.

-30- 329
#90337c0071 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Electro Brain International Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,845,031	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$232,607	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,073,274	$213,891
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$633,224	$(62,884)

The company, a development stage enterprise, was formerly Roatan Funding Inc. It reports that at a special meeting of shareholders on Feb. 28, 1990, its shareholders ratified and approved a plan of reorganization dated Jan. 11, 1990 between Electro Brain International Corp. and Electro Brain Corp. Pursuant to that agreement, Electro Brain International acquired Electro Brain Corp. on March 5, 1990. The company's executive offices are located at 573 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84102, and its telephone number is (801)

531-1867.

-30- 1570
#90337c0072 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows a change in control of Electro Brain International Corp. (the "Company") occurred on March 5, 1990.

On that date, a series of transactions were completed, involving the merger of Electro Brain Corp., (EBC) a privately held Delaware corporation with Roatan Merger Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Electro Brain International.

EBC was the surviving corporation of the merger and is now a wholly-owned subsidiary of Electro Brain International Corp.

The company's name was changed to Electro Brain International Corp from Roatan Funding Inc.

At the closing, 65.55 million shares of the company's common stock was issued to former shareholders of EBC, approximately 80.43% of the issued and outstanding common stock of the Company.

-30- 977
#90337c0073 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Johnson Electronics Inc.(TICKER: JHSN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,172,517	$993,357
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(146,664)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(181,119)	$(430,341)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$(0.27)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,620,700	1,620,700

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,072,815	$6,803,164
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$914,021	$1,353,191

-30- 1075
#90337c0074 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 18 1989, by employment agreement, A.J. Schell was employed as president and chief executive officer of Johnson Electronics Inc.(TICKER: JHSN) for a period starting Aug. 1, 1990 and ending July 31, 1994.

The agreement further states that in the event of a merger or corporate takeover where stockholders and/or outsiders should acquire working control of the company, on termination or resignation, Schell would immediately be paid a sum of three times his then-annual compensation, plus an additional cash sum of $300,000.

He additionally would have the right to exercise immediately any issued but unexercised employee stock options.

-30- 865
#90337c0075 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Central Reserve Life Corp.(TICKER: CRLC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$36,342,288	$28,641,076
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,223,428	$1,145,502
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.30	$0.28
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,073,794	4,102,306

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$59,117,684	$53,355,764
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$20,850,513	$19,473,476

-30- 1094
#90337c0077 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by The Marina Limited Partnership.(TICKER: MRNC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$736,876	$731,158
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$360,261	$371,752
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.53	$0.55
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	495,186	495,186

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,055,057	$9,975,342
TOTAL PARTNERS' EQUITY	$9,621,496	$9,524,675

-30- 1080
#90337c0078 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Imtec Inc.(TICKER: IMTC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,695,396	$1,605,951
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$76,781	$100,424
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$0.09
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,349,608	1,158,131

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,575,782	$4,571,519
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,697,587	$2,620,805

-30- 1061
#90337c0079 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Montana Precision Mining Ltd.(TICKER: MPML).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$21	$74
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(182,883)	$(166,468)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.16)	$(0.15)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,125,408	$2,177,905
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$836,129	$1,276,466

The company is a development stage enterprise. Its corporate address is Highway 93 North, P.O. Box 1050, Eureka, MT 59917, and its telephone number is (406) 296-3116.

-30- 1194
#90337c0080 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 15, 1990, Regional Federal Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: RFBI) entered a definitive plan of reorganization and merger, pursuant to which a wholly-owned subsidiary of Indiana United Bancorp (IUB) will merge into Regional Federal.

The agreement provides for the exchange of .5 share of IUB common stock and $16.50 cash for each outstanding share of Regional Federal common stock.

Following the merger, the surviving corporation, named Regional Federal Bancorp Inc., will be a wholly-owned subsidiary of IUB.

-30- 749
#90337c0081 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Communications Group Inc.(TICKER: CMGI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,316,250	$1,505,630
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$38,740	$(434,390)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,830,138	$3,055,595

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,110,280	$3,178,630
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$955,140	$150,190

-30- 1119
#90337c0082 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Caprock Corp.(TICKER: CPRK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,200	$5,500
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(87,087)	$(171,476)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	28,550,000	26,851,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,532,471	$1,722,305
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,174,384	$1,674,140

-30- 1072
#90337c0083 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J. TOBIA OF 96 HOOVERTON PL, EAST WINDSOR, NEW JERSEY 08520, HAS FILED TO SELL 180,000 SHARES OF BIG APPLE FARMS INC.(TICKER: BIGA) THROUGH INVESTACORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 13, 1990.

(BIG APPLE FARMS INC. TEL: 914 565-7956)

-30- 414
#90337c0085 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P. TOBIA OF 96 HOOVERTON PL, EAST WINDSOR, NEW JERSEY 08520, HAS FILED TO SELL 180,000 SHARES OF BIG APPLE FARMS INC.(TICKER: BIGA) THROUGH INVESTACORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 13, 1990.

(BIG APPLE FARMS INC. TEL: 914 565-7956)

-30- 414
#90337c0086 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B.W. LORBER OF 2723 RICHLYNN RIDGE RD, ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA 92025, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF UTI CHEMICAL INC.(TICKER: UTIC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 23, 1990.

(UTI CHEMICAL INC. TEL: 714 837-0800)

-30- 415
#90337c0087 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LIVINGSTON TRADING LTD. OF 370 17TH ST, SUITE 4290, DENVER, COLORADO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,532 SHARES OF LIFELINE HEALTHCARE GROUP LTD. (TICKER: LLMD) THROUGH NATIONAL SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 23, 1990.

(LIFELINE HEALTHCARE GROUP LTD. TEL: 918 251-0696)

-30- 479

#90337c0088 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.G. SOUTHMAYD OF 6150 SOUTH FULTON ST, ENGLEWOOD, COLORADO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000,000 SHARES OF AD-RAK HOLDINGS INC. THROUGH WILLIAM BARTON FINL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 21, 1990.

(AD-RAK HOLDINGS INC. TEL: 303 777-1361)

-30- 426

#90337c0089 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. KANOFSKY OF 197 COVE RD, OYSTER BAY, NEW YORK 11771, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN SPORTS ADVISORS INC.(TICKER: PIKS) THROUGH ROYCE INVSTMNT GRP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 26, 1990.

(AMERICAN SPORTS ADVISORS INC. TEL: 212 627-0205)

-30- 443

#90337c0090 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.J. REILLY OF 56 WEST PARK BLVD, STANFORD, CONNECTICUT 06901, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN LEISURE ENTERTAINMENT I THROUGH HASAN GROWNEY INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 26, 1990.

-30- 393

#90337c0091 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.L. ROBINSON OF 13659 SO 2780 WEST, PO BOX 388, RIVERTON, UTAH 84065, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PAN WORLD MINERALS INTL INC. THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 26, 1990.

(PAN WORLD MINERALS INTL INC. TEL: 801 261-3888)

-30- 438

#90337c0093 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.S. ALHASAN OF 1224 VILLAGE WAY, SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA 92705, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,980 SHARES OF SOUTHLAND COMMUNICATIONS INC.(TICKER: SCII) THROUGH BHC SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 26, 1990.

(SOUTHLAND COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 714 664-1600)

-30- 448
#90337c0094 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ADAM ENTPR INC. DBA CAMBRIDGE DEV OF 5 TRAID CENTER, SUITE 750, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84065, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PAN WORLD MINERALS INTL INC. THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 26, 1990.

(PAN WORLD MINERALS INTL INC. TEL: 801 261-3888)

-30- 473
#90337c0095 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J. IERONIMO OF 9 BARGATE RD, CLINTON, CONNECTICUT 06413, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,875 SHARES OF UTI CHEMICAL INC.(TICKER: UTIC) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 26, 1990.

(UTI CHEMICAL INC. TEL: 714 837-0800)

-30- 411
#90337c0096 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L. ANDERTON OF 4866 VIEWMONT ST, HOLLADAY, UTAH 84117, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF BRAKE EXPRESS INTL INC. THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 26, 1990.

(BRAKE EXPRESS INTL INC. TEL: 714 261-9861)

-30- 407
#90337c0097 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.J. SPECHT OF 333 KIMBERLY DR, CAROL STREAM, ILLINOIS 60188, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF REGENT ENTERPRISES INC.(TICKER: RGTE) THROUGH SUMMIT INVSTMNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 26, 1990.

(REGENT ENTERPRISES INC. TEL: 708 682-9955)

-30- 428
#90337c0098 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J. LIVIAKIS OF 2118 "P" STREET, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA 95816, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF BIG SKY USA INC. THROUGH KO SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 26, 1990.

(BIG SKY USA INC. TEL: 406 771-7000)

-30- 396
#90337c0099 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - U S WEST MASTER TRUST OF 928 ARQUES AVE, SUNNYVALE, CA 94086, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,911 SHARES OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. TEL: 408 720-1700)

-30- 439
#90337c0101 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREDERICK A SCELZO OF 31 FOX TRAIL, LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60015, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,500 SHARES OF MEGA GROUP INC. (TICKER: MGIN) THROUGH M RIMSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(MEGA GROUP INC. TEL: 518 439-6692)

-30- 403
#90337c0102 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROGER C LUCAS OF 614 MCKINLEY PL N E, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF TECHNE CORP. (TICKER: TECH) THROUGH JOHN G KINNARD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(TECHNE CORP. TEL: 612 397-2956)

-30- 398
#90337c0103 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEBORAH BECKER OF 91 CAENARVON LANE, HAVERFORD, PA 19041, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CABOT MEDICAL CORP. (TICKER: CBOT) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(CABOT MEDICAL CORP. TEL: 215 752-8300)

-30- 415
#90337c0104 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES J GRAYSON JR OF 121 NORTH POST OAK LANE, 0, HOUSTON, TX 77024, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (D (TICKER: FBT) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (D TEL: 713 658-6011)

-30- 467
#90337c0105 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRYAN R PETTY OF 808 3RD ST, DEVILS LAKE, ND 58301, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF FRANKLIN CONSOLIDATED MNG CO. (TICKER: FKCM) THROUGH GENERAL SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(FRANKLIN CONSOLIDATED MNG CO. TEL: 212 344-2785)

-30- 440
#90337c0106 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WARREN N ESTRIN OF 18841 LEMARSH ST, NORTHRIDGE, CA 91324, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 437
#90337c0107 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - IVAN H JACOBS OF 1080 SADDLEBROOK RD, MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092, HAS FILED TO SELL 125,000 SHARES OF MULTI SOLUTIONS INC. (TICKER: MULT) THROUGH HERZOG

HEINE GEDULD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(MULTI SOLUTIONS INC. TEL: 609 896-4100)

-30- 427
#90337c0109 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES F DUFFIELD OF 409 RT 70 EAST, CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF COMTREX SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: COMX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(COMTREX SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 609 778-0090)

-30- 422
#90337c0110 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES F DUFFIELD OF 409 RT 70 EAST, CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF COMTREX SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: COMX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(COMTREX SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 609 778-0090)

-30- 422
#90337c0111 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DWIGHT T DIVIRD OF 2316 SADDLEBACK DR, DANVILLE, CA 94526, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,300 SHARES OF HEXCEL CORP. (TICKER: HXL) THROUGH SECURITY PACIFIC INVTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(HEXCEL CORP. TEL: 415 828-4200)

-30- 397
#90337c0112 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BIRGIT BRANDENBURG OF 601 WYTHE ST, SUITE 202, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(CEL-SCI CORP. TEL: 703 549-5293)

-30- 408
#90337c0113 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT L FROME OF 505 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL METCOM INC. (TICKER: DMET) THROUGH HILL THOMPSON MAGID. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(DIGITAL METCOM INC. TEL: 516 981-7100)

-30- 411
#90337c0114 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J EGGERT OF 4241 SOUTH MEADOW BROOK LANE, EVERGREEN, CO 80439, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF UNITED SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: USTI) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(UNITED SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 214 518-0728)

-30- 461
#90337c0115 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R RANDY STOLWORTHY OF 21743 N E 105TH PL, REDMOND, WA 98053, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,202 SHARES OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. TEL: 206 881-7544)

-30- 438
#90337c0117 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EVERGREEN TRUST OF 2121 NORTH FRONTAGE RD W, SUITE 229, VAIL, CO 81657, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(RYAN-MURPHY INC. TEL: 303 293-3835)

-30- 426
#90337c0118 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - MARK R PECK OF 4685 SYCAMORE DR, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84117, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF LARSON-DAVIS INC. (TICKER: LDII) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(LARSON-DAVIS INC. TEL: 801 375-0177)

-30- 407
#90337c0119 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LUTHER T PRINCE OF 3521 WEST 24TH ST, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF AULT INC. (TICKER: AULT) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(AULT INC. TEL: 612 560-9300)

-30- 388
#90337c0120 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ABDULLATIF M HEFNI OF 1850 BEACON ST #105, BROOKLINE, MA 02146, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 424
#90337c0121 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL S EPSTEIN OF 161 CHICAGO AVE E, 0, CHICAGO, IL 60611, HAS FILED TO SELL 62,500 SHARES OF AQUASCIENCES INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: AQSI) THROUGH BERKELEY SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(AQUASCIENCES INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 201 625-0700)

-30- 448
#90337c0122 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARDSON PRATT JR OF C/O CHARLES PRATT & CO, 355 LEXINGTON AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF SHERWOOD GROUP INC.

(TICKER: SHD) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(SHERWOOD GROUP INC. TEL: 212 482-4000)

-30- 437
#90337c0123 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LOUIS W RAYER OF 1119 N PATTERSON AVE, SANTA BARBARA, CA 93111, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF APPLIED MAGNETICS CORP. (TICKER: APM) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(APPLIED MAGNETICS CORP. TEL: 805 683-5353)

-30- 432
#90337c0125 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LESTER GROVE OF 3011 MONTE ROSA AVE, 0, LOS VEGAS, NV 89120, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ATI MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: ATI) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ATI MEDICAL INC. TEL: 818 502-9965)

-30- 408
#90337c0126 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LESTER GROVE OF 3011 MONTE ROSA AVE, 0, LOS VEGAS, NV 89120, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,300 SHARES OF ATI MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: ATI) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ATI MEDICAL INC. TEL: 818 502-9965)

-30- 408
#90337c0127 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LESTER GROVE OF 3011 MONTE ROSA AVE, 0, LOS VEGAS, NV 89120, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,700 SHARES OF ATI MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: ATI) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ATI MEDICAL INC. TEL: 818 502-9965)

-30- 408
#90337c0128 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FAYE HENIN OF 111 BRINY AVE, APT 1609, POMPANO BCH, FL 33062, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF DRIVEFONE INC. (TICKER: DFON) THROUGH EMANUEL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(DRIVEFONE INC. TEL: 201 843-6400)

-30- 398
#90337c0129 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACQUELINE SCIBELLI OF 2936 BAY DR, MERRICK, NY 11566, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 516 921-4200)

-30- 428
#90337c0130 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS SCIBELLI OF 2936 BAY DR, MERRICK, NY 11566, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: AKLM) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ACCLAIM ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 516 921-4200)

-30- 425
#90337c0131 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL G HAWKEN OF 25 CORTE MADERA, 0, MILL VALLEY, CA 94941, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CHALONE INC. (TICKER: CHLN) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(CHALONE INC. TEL: 415 546-7755)

-30- 399
#90337c0133 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - JESSE W HOUDESHELL OF 1260 SOUTHWEST 19TH AVE, BOCA RATON, FL 33486, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF INNOVET INC. (TICKER: IVET) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(INNOVET INC. TEL: 407 394-0621)

-30- 405
#90337c0134 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES H FURNEAUX OF 83 WALNUT ST, WELLESLEY HILLS, MA 02181, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,400 SHARES OF ALLOY COMPUTER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ALOY) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ALLOY COMPUTER PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 508 481-8500)

-30- 430
#90337c0135 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LARRY C WULF OF P O BOX 300278, 0, DENVER, CO 80203, HAS FILED TO SELL 350,000 SHARES OF WULF OIL CORP (TICKER: WULF) THROUGH G K SCOTT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(WULF OIL CORP TEL: 303 860-7842)

-30- 388
#90337c0136 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD WELTER OF 1784 EAST 7TH ST, 0, ST PAUL, MN 55119, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF QUARTZ INC. (TICKER: QURZ) THROUGH EQUITY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(QUARTZ INC. TEL: 612 472-5545)

-30- 381
#90337c0137 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW MAKRIDES OF P O BOX 768, 0, STONY BROOK, NY 11790, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF AN-CON GENETICS INC. (TICKER: ANCN) THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE

FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(AN-CON GENETICS INC. TEL: 516 694-8470)

-30- 409
#90337c0138 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SOUTH CAROLINA INS CO OF P O BOX 1, 1501 LADY STREET, COLUMBIA, SC 29202 HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF POLICY MANAGEMENT SYS CORP. (TICKER: PMS) THROUGH INTERSTATE JOHNSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(POLICY MANAGEMENT SYS CORP. TEL: 803 735-4000)

-30- 464
#90337c0139 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT DAVIS OF 140 ADMIRALTY LOOP, STATEN ISLAND, NY 10309, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,255 SHARES OF STAGE II APPAREL CORP. (TICKER: SA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(STAGE II APPAREL CORP. TEL: 212 564-5865)

-30- 416
#90337c0141 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN UROSHEVICH OF 2505 FLEETWOOD AVE, CINCINNATI, OH 45211, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF ALPHA SOLARCO INC. (TICKER: ASCO) THROUGH NATIONAL SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ALPHA SOLARCO INC. TEL: 513 621-1243)

-30- 421
#90337c0142 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM T BURGIN OF 83 WALNUT ST, WELLESLEY HILLS, MA 02181, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF ALLOY COMPUTER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ALOY) THROUGH FIRST MANHATTAN CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ALLOY COMPUTER PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 508 481-8500)

-30- 436
#90337c0143 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LINCOLN CHARLTO TRUST OF P O BOX 23000, ST PETERSBURG, FL 33742, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF SECURITY TAG SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: STAG) THROUGH WILLIAMS SECS GROUP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(SECURITY TAG SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 813 576-6399)

-30- 451
#90337c0144 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAROLD RIPPS OF 500 ROBERT JEMISON RD, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF ALTUS BANK (ALABAMA) (TICKER: ALTS) THROUGH STERNE AGEE & LEACH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(ALTUS BANK (ALABAMA) TEL: 205 473-0500)

-30- 425
#90337c0145 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT J CASPER OF 17 GULL POINT RD, MONMOUTH BCH, NJ 07750, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF COMMAND CREDIT CORP. (TICKER: CDMD) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(COMMAND CREDIT CORP. TEL: 201 870-1294)

-30- 415
#90337c0146 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM F FAWCETT OF 46 ST TROPAZ, LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA 92677, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF TECHNICLONE INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: TCLN) THROUGH BATEMAN EICHLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(TECHNICLONE INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 714 838-0500)

-30- 444
#90337c0147 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EYE SURGERY ASSOC LTD OF 7315 E PEAKVIEW AVE, GREENWOOD EXECUTIVE PARK BLD ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 148,897 SHARES OF EQUITEX INC. (TICKER: EQTX) THROUGH WHITEHOUSE & MOORE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(EQUITEX INC. TEL: 303 796-8940)

-30- 443
#90337c0149 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILLIPS JEAN H EST OF P O BOX 6, 0,

BOULDER CITY, NV 89005, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,500 SHARES OF INTERMOUNTAIN EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: INTM) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 26, 1990.

(INTERMOUNTAIN EXPLORATION CO. TEL: 702 293-1098)

-30- 467
#90337c0150 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 20, 1990, W.J. CALLIS, DIR. OF BENCHMARK BANKSHARES INC. BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,900.

-30- 302
#90337c0151 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 1, 1990, H. LITWIN, DIR. OF SWISS CHALET INC.(TICKER: SWSS) BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,280.

-30- 301
#90337c0152 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT. 23, 1990 TO OCT. 25, 1990, J.T. MORTON, VP OF MORGAN GRENFELL SMALLCAP FUND INC. (TICKER: MGC), BOUGHT 9,600 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 164,200.

-30- 357

#90337c0153 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 9, 1990, M.S. LAPERA, VP OF FCNB CORP SOLD 131 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,132.

-30- 264
#90337c0154 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, LOUIS DIONNE, OFFICER OF AMERICAN BARRICK RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: ABX), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90337c0155 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JAMES T HOWE, VP OF AMERICAN INTL GROUP INC. (TICKER: AIG), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $70.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,081.

-30- 309
#90337c0157 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, CHARLES T FOLEY, DIR. OF BAIRNCO CORP. (TICKER: BZ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 74,000.

-30- 298
#90337c0158 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JOANNE H DAWSON, VP OF CATO CORP. (TICKER: CACO), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 289
#90337c0159 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, LAWRENCE PLATTER, OFFICER OF CANONIE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: CANO), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 306

#90337c0160 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, G GILMER MINOR III, DIR. OF CRESTAR FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CRFC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 320
#90337c0161 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, DONALD J WALKER, VP OF COMSHARE INC. (TICKER: CSRE), SOLD 10,903 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,903.

-30- 320
#90337c0162 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, DONNA NIELSEN, DIR. OF DOWNEY SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOC. (TICKER: DSL), SOLD 235 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 875.

-30- 329
#90337c0163 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, ROBERT E MAGUIRE, VP OF EASTERN UTILITIES ASSOC. (TICKER: EUA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $21.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,018.

-30- 323
#90337c0165 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WILLIAM J KEATING, DIR. OF FIFTH THIRD BANCORP. (TICKER: FITB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,425.

-30- 339
#90337c0166 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, MARION F WOLF, DIR. OF FIRST WORLD CHEESE INC. (TICKER: FWCH), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,500.

-30- 320
#90337c0167 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, VERNE G ISTOCK, DIR. OF HANDLEMAN CO. (TICKER: HDL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 295
#90337c0168 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, NATHANIEL KRUMBEIN, DIR. OF HEILIG-MEYERS CO. (TICKER: HMY), BOUGHT 3,100 SHARES FROM $16.25 TO $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,146.

-30- 329
#90337c0169 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, DONALD L SCHREUDER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: HRDG), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 87,477.

-30- 353
#90337c0170 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ROBERT S UKROP, DIR. OF HILB, ROGAL & HAMILTON CO. (TICKER: HRHC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,750.

-30- 334
#90337c0171 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 25, 1990, IMPERIAL BANCORP P&S 401 PLN, BEN. OWNER OF IMPERIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: IBAN), BOUGHT 45,000 SHARES FROM $10.75 TO $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,051,736.

-30- 378
#90337c0173 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, MONTE A WOLFSON, DIR. OF TECHKNITS INC. (TICKER: KNIT), BOUGHT 44,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,500.

-30- 307
#90337c0174 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, JAMES F GIBBONS, DIR. OF LOCKHEED CORP. (TICKER: LK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $27.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 302
#90337c0175 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, EDWARD T WILSON, DIR. OF MICROS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCRS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,000.

-30- 316
#90337c0176 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, EDWARD T WILSON, DIR. OF MICROS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCRS), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,000.

-30- 318
#90337c0177 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, W GLENN MARTIN, VP OF MAGMA COPPER CO. (TICKER: MCU), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,775.

-30- 302
#90337c0178 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, JUNE P WILLIAMS, SHAREHOLDER OF MEMORY SCIENCES CORP.

(TICKER: MEMX), BOUGHT 4,750 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 485,250.

-30- 336
#90337c0179 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, ROBERT E WILLIAMS, DIR. OF MEMORY SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: MEMX), BOUGHT 4,750 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,900.

-30- 323
#90337c0181 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, RUSSELL J KUNKEL, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,618.

-30- 323
#90337c0182 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, WALTER W GLOWACKI, DIR. OF MERRIMACK BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MRMK), SOLD 4,100 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 136.

-30- 322
#90337c0183 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 07, 1990, IRVIN B MAIZLISH, DIR. OF MARK TWAIN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: MTWN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,827.

-30- 334
#90337c0184 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ALBERT F SLOAN, DIR. OF NCNB CORP. (TICKER: NCB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,719.

-30- 306
#90337c0185 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JOHN N HANSON, DIR. OF NICOLET INSTRUMENT CORP. (TICKER: NIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,363.

-30- 320
#90337c0186 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUN 29, 1990 TO SEP 25, 1990, MARY C WILLIAMS, DIR. OF NEWMIL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NMSB), BOUGHT 55,000 SHARES FROM $1.75 TO $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 297,378.

-30- 352
#90337c0187 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, THOMAS M ZAKRZEWSKI, VP OF NICHOLS RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: NRES), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 324
#90337c0189 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ALAN C FURTH, DIR. OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $19.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 312
#90337c0190 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MARILYN O LUBETKIN, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF OSHMAN'S SPORTING GOODS INC. (TICKER: OSHM), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000,417.

-30- 375
#90337c0191 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, JAMES J MOYNIHAN, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,152.

-30- 336
#90337c0192 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, OSCAR R RUDNICK, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 341
#90337c0193 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, CLAUDE L MEYER, VP OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 5,644 SHARES AT $79.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 760.

-30- 305
#90337c0194 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, JORGE P MONTOYA, DIV. OFFICER OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 850 SHARES AT $80.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,249.

-30- 329
#90337c0195 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 24, 1990, MELVENA ALEXANDER, SHAREHOLDER OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 75,803 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,010,227.

-30- 353
#90337c0197 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CHARLES H HYDE III, DIR. OF PUGET SOUND BANCORP. (TICKER: PSNB), BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,600.

-30- 325
#90337c0198 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, VIRGIL L ROMITI, DIR. OF PAR TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PTC), SOLD 1,040 SHARES FROM $3.00 TO $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 960.

-30- 322
#90337c0199 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, FRANK C MELFI, PRES. OF RESERVE INDUSTRIES CORP. (TICKER: ROIL), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $1.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,900.

-30- 314
#90337c0200 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, LAWRENCE CHIMERINE, DIR. OF SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC. (TICKER: SFE), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 331
#90337c0201 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, THOMAS S HAGGAI, DIR. OF SUPER FOOD SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SFS), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,242.

-30- 312
#90337c0202 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUN 03, 1989 TO AUG 08, 1990, DAVID M KIPNIS, DIR. OF SIGMA-ALDRICH CORP. (TICKER: SIAL), BOUGHT 700 SHARES FROM $49.50 TO $56.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,550.

-30- 342

#90337c0203 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, CHARLES H SMITH JR, CHAIRMAN OF SIFCO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SIF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 269,017.

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#90337c0205 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, RICHARD E INGRAM, DIR. OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

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#90337c0206 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, SYMONDS TRUST CO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA), SOLD 13,800 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 235,227.

-30- 341
#90337c0207 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, RICHARD B CHESS, VP OF UNITED DOMINION REALTY TRUST INC. (TICKER: UDR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 331
#90337c0208 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, KEVIN R KELLY, VP OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,489.

-30- 308
#90337c0209 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, KEVIN R KELLY, VP OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,438.

-30- 305
#90337c0210 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JOSEPH F RAYMOND, VP OF VONS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: VON), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,197.

-30- 313
#90337c0211 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, BRUCE B BRUNDAGE, DIR. OF VICORP RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: VRES), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 328
#90337c0213 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

NORO FINANCIAL CORP. OWNS 79,625 SHARES (5.12%) OF EAGLE BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: EBSI) OF TUCKER, GEORGIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

At the time of the purchase of Eagle Bancshares Inc. common stock in 1989, Noro believed its holdings constituted less than 5.0 percent; therefore upon knowledge of becoming the holder of more than 5 percent, it immediately undertook to file a 13D.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Noro Financial Corp. purchased a total of 79,625 shares of Eagle Bancshares Inc. in December 1989 for a total purchase price of $979,971.88.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 788
#90337c0214 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

R.D. HUBBARD OWNS 391,882 SHARES (9.90%) OF HOLLYWOOD PARK ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: HTRF) OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Nov. 29, 1990, Mr. R. D. Hubbard announced a formally commenced proxy contest and consent solicitation to effect the objective of improving shareholder value by managerial and operational changes in Hollywood Park. In a letter dated Nov. 21, 1990, Mr. Hubbard proposed the terms of a settlement of the complaint relative to Operating co. and its directors; on Nov. 27, 1990 Mr. Hubbard issued a press release regarding the proposal by several directors that Realty join with Operating Co. in seeking to sell the companies or their assets; and, on Nov. 29, 1990 Mr. Hubbard mailed to Operating Co.'s stockholders his joint proxy and consent statement and related materials.

PURPOSE:

Commencement of proxy and consent solicitations.

-30- 1109
#90337c0216 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATES OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 249,950 SHARES (11.40%) OF RENT A WRECK OF AMERICA INC.(TICKER: RAWA) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The company exercised its option to convert the notes held by Cumberland into series A convertible preferred stock of the company on the basis of $.80 in principal amount of notes per share of convertible preferred. Cumberland now owns, 96,250 shares of convertible preferred which are convertible into common stock on the basis of one share of common per share of convertible preferred.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 27, 1990 through Nov. 15, 1990, Cumberland Associates sold 46,700 shares at a price of $0.94 to $1 per share.

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#90337c0217 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 29, 1990, Michael T. Tokarz and Kevin A. Bousquette were elected to the board of directors of ConAgra(TICKER: CAG).

PURPOSE:

Election of board of directors.

-30- 380
#90337c0218 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GIGABIT LOGIC INC. OWNS 1,435,000 SHARES (7.96%) OF CRAY COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CRAY) OF COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result of a purchase agreement, GigaBit acquired an aggregate of 1,625,000 shares of the common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 12 through Nov. 26, 1990, Gigabit Logic Inc. sold 190,000 shares at a price of $3.50 to $3.77 per share.

-30- 592
#90337c0219 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

MCA (TICKER: MCA) has agreed to be acquired by Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. for $66 per share in cash pursuant to a tender offer and merger agreement. The offer is set to expire on Dec. 29, 1990. Several purported class action suits have been filed against the company and directors alleging

breaches of fiduciary duty.

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#90337c0222 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD. OWNS 1,076,959 SHARES (9.15%) OF INTERNATIONAL RECTIFIER CORP.(TICKER: IRF) OF EL SEGUNDO, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Fidelity International LTD. purchased 89,100 shares from Nov. 1-16, 1990 for $5.93 to $7.07 per share.

-30- 467
#90337c0224 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FMR CORP. OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 1,076,959 SHARES (9.15%) OF INTERNATIONAL RECTIFIER CORP.(TICKER: IRF) OF EL SEGUNDO, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. purchased 92,200 shares and sold 179,650 shares from Sept. 27 to Oct. 31, 1990 for $4.25 to $6.50 per share.

-30- 479
#90337c0225 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

R.L. BUNTING JR OF HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA OWNS 534,677 SHARES (10.70%) OF STEEL OF WEST VIRGINIA INC.(TICKER: SWVA) OF HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.L. Bunting Jr. offered and sold 303,843 shares to employees of Steel of West Virginia Inc. through a plan of distribution relating to 325,000 Steel of West Virginia Inc. shares held by R.L. Bunting Jr. which became effective Nov. 5, 1990. It is anticipated that R.L. Bunting Jr. will dispose of additional

shares under the plan.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 21 and Nov. 27, 1990 R.L. Bunting Jr. sold 303,843 shares at unreported prices.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares pursuant to Steel of West Virginia Inc. employees pursuant to a plan of distribution.

-30- 958
#90337c0226 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY L. CHAVIN OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS OWNS 180,800 SHARES (11.40%) OF GENERAL EMPLOYMENT ENTERPRISES INC.(TICKER: JOB) OF OAKBROOK TERRACE, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In connection with the June 15, 1990 lawsuit filed by L. Chavin, et al. against the General Employment Enterprises Inc. and its board of directors relating General Employment Enterprises Inc.'s poison pill, the court on Oct. 15, 1990 denied the defendants' motion to dismiss. On Nov. 20, 1990 defendants filed a memorandum in opposition to plaintiff's renewed motion as filed Aug. 29, 1990, to which the defendant responded on Nov. 26, 1990. On Nov. 28, 1990 the court granted L. Chavin, et al. motion for a preliminary injunction order enjoining the operation of General Employment Enterprises Inc.'s share purchaser rights plan as adopted in Feb. 1990. Defendants have appealed the order. L. Chavin, et al. intends to seek General Employment Enterprises Inc. board representation and intends to solicit proxies for such purpose in connection with the next annual meeting.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 28 and 29, 1990 the L. Chavin, et al. s purchased 35,800 shares at $3.13 to $4.13 each.

-30- 1407
#90337c0227 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY REGAL AIRCOA COS. INC. OWNS 1,962,903 SHARES (52.75%) OF AIRCOA HOTEL PARTNERS LP (TICKER: AHT) OF DENVER, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The purchase of the units was made under a letter agreement dated Nov. 21, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 26, 1990 Regal Aircoa Cos. Inc., et al. purchased 620,000 Aircoa Hotel Partners LP units at $3.43 per unit.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 614
#90337c0228 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 017

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On the basis of the Lehman Brothers report and its own assessment of ways in which shareholder value can be maximized, the Partnership has delivered a letter to James E. Preston, chairman of the Board of Directors of Avon, (TICKER: AVP) recommending, among other things, that Avon undertake a plan to repurchase approximately $500 million of its outstanding equity securities.

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#90337c0229 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY RRH CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC. OWNS 1,915,800 SHARES (15.80%) OF HOTEL INVESTORS CORP.(TICKER: HOT) OF WOODLAND HILLS, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

RRh Capital Management Inc., et al. have terminated their group status and will determine their actions separately.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

RRh Capital Management Inc., et al. purchased 101,500 shares from Nov. 1-29, 1990 for $2.38 to $3 per share and sold 57,058 shares on Nov. 27, 1990 for $2.45 to $2.56 per share.

PURPOSE:

Termination of group for filing purposes.

-30- 754
#90337c0230 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 019

ANNOUNCEMENT:

KCPL (TICKER: KAN) announced on Dec. 3, 1990 that it has extended its tender offer until Jan. 11, 1990.

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#90337c0234 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - Northbrook, Ill.-based Woodhead Industries Inc. (TICKER: WDHD) has acquired Advanced Interconnect Inc., an Uxbridge, Mass.-based manufacturer of custom-molded computer cable assemblies and other computer equipment, for $2.94 million and the assumption of approximately $3 million in liabilities, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 3, 1990.

-30- 635
#90337c0235 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - Calabasas, Calif.-based National Technical Systems Inc.(TICKER: NTSC) has acquired Wise and Associates Inc., a provider of nuclear-power support services, for $1.75 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 3, 1990.

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#90337c0236 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - Valley Forge, Pa.-based UGI Corp.(TICKER: UGI) has purchased Prudential Insurance Co. of America's stake in AP Propane Inc. for $63.2 million and the redemption, by Prudential, of $2.5 million in AP Propane preferred stock at face value.

AP Propane is a joint venture between UGI's AmeriGas subsidiary and Prudential according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

As part of the deal, AmeriGas merged its wholly owned AmeriGas Propane Inc. unit with AP Propane and changed the name of the merged company to AmeriGas Propane Inc., according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 3, 1990.

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#90337c0237 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - Englewood, Colo.-based Jones Spacelink Ltd. (TICKER: SPLK) has agreed to buy two cable-television systems in Wisconsin that serve Fond-du-Lac and Walworth counties and Lake Geneva area, for a total of $8.75 million.

Jones Spacelink will pay $3.5 million for the assets of Ripon Cable Co. Inc., and the remainder for the assets of Southern Wisconsin Cable Inc., according to a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 3, 1990.

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#90337c0238 12/03/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - Englewood, Colo.-based Nu-West Industries Inc. (TICKER: FERT) will appeal a $2.1 million judgement awarded to Clarendon Ltd. by the U.S. District Court in Delaware.

Clarendon sued Nu-West last March, alleging Nu-West had guaranteed a $2 million loan to Clarendon, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 3, 1990.

-30- 584

#90337d0020 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (DEC 3) - U.S. President George Bush will visit Argentina Wednesday as scheduled despite Monday's military revolt there to show his support for democracy and Argentine President Carlos Menem, a White House spokesman said.

"We believe that events (in Argentina) are essentially under control and that there is no need to change our plan to go," spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said here Monday, as the U.S. president kicked off a six day tour of five South American countries.

He is scheduled to arrive in Buenos Aires Wednesday.

"I have no thoughts of changing my plans. I have great confidence in the security there," Mr. Bush said at a meeting with Brazilian President Fernando Collor de Mello.

Mr. Fitzwater said it "seems likely" that the right-wing army rebels who occupied the infantry barracks in Argentina's capital Monday wanted to embarrass Mr. Menem two days before Mr. Bush's arrival.

Nevertheless, Mr. Fitzwater said, Mr. Bush "wants to express his confidence in President Menem and his support for democracy in Argentina. We intend to proceed on our original schedule."

One official, who requested anonymity, said the rebellion was no more than "an inter-military squabble."

"It doesn't seem too serious," said Bernard Aronson, assistant secretary of state for Inter-American Affairs. "There's a small group in the military that has certain grievances and every once in a while something like this happens."

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#90337d0090 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (DEC 3) - Bangladesh President Hussain Mohammad Ershad said Monday he would resign 15 days before elections next year but his opponents called on him to step down immediately and vowed to continue protests against his rule.

"I hope this will end the state of anarchy prevailing in the country," the 60-year-old former general, who seized power in a 1982 military coup, said in a nationally broadcast speech.

Mr. Ershad said he had accepted opposition demands and that he would hand over power to a vice-president acceptable to them with elections held under and an interim government.

"Our demand is the immediate resignation of (Mr.) Ershad and holding free and fair polls for a sovereign parliament under a neutral government," Sheikh Hasina Wajed was quoted as saying by Abdul Jalil, joint secretary of her

eight-party opposition Awami League.

"Our campaign (to oust Mr. Ershad) will go on and I appeal to people to go forward with the strikes planned for the coming days," Sheikh Hasina said, adding that Mr. Ershad's speech was vague, contained nothing new and had caused confusion among the public.

Begum Khaleda Zia, whose Bangladesh National Party heads another seven-party opposition alliance, said nothing short of Mr. Ershad's immediate resignation was acceptable.

"This is a mere bluff to hoodwink the people," a senior party official quoted her as saying.

Begum Zia also said the opposition would continue its strikes and protests until the president stepped down.

The opposition agreed November 19 that Mr. Ershad should resign after dissolving parliament and handing over power to a vice-president acceptable to them.

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#90337d0490 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (DEC 3) - U.S. Energy Secretary James Watkins arrived in the United Arab Emirates late Monday from Saudi Arabia for talks on the oil market with his UAE counterpart, Youssef Omeir ben Youssef, officials here said.

On Sunday, Mr. Watkins met with Saudi Arabian Oil Minister Hisham Nazer on efforts to stabilize the international oil market, official Saudi sources reported.

U.S. President George Bush's proposal Friday for direct talks with Iraq on the Gulf sent oil prices tumbling in New York, dropping below 30 dollars a barrel.

Prices soared from around 18 to 20 dollars a barrel in the aftermath of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and have been volatile ever since.

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#90337d0680 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC 3) - The State Department Monday praised New Zealand's decision to send military forces to the Gulf, but said that nation remained suspended from the Anzus defense treaty because of its anti-nuclear policy.

"New Zealand's decision to stand with those nations militarily confronting Iraqi aggression is welcomed," department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said.

"New Zealand's decision apparently reflects its own assessment that as a United Nations member, it has a common interest in working collectively against such aggression."

But, Miss Tutwiler added, "the United States position on defense relations with New Zealand ... remains unchanged."

Earlier Monday, New Zealand Defense Minister Warren Cooper said his country was sending three C-130 Hercules transport planes and a military medical team to the Gulf.

He said the deployment was likely to be under some form of Anzus Pact control. That accord groups Australia, New Zealand and the United States.

Under the previous Labor Government in New Zealand, Washington suspended Anzus relationships with New Zealand after Wellington refused to let in U.S. warships without assurances they were not nuclear armed.

In 1986 New Zealand passed anti-nuclear laws which forbade nuclear warships from entering its ports.

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#90337d0870 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (DEC 3) - A U.N. human rights commission voted overwhelmingly Monday to condemn human rights violations in Kuwait which have occurred since Iraq invaded its smaller neighbor on August 2.

The measure was approved by a vote of 132 in support, one against and one abstention. The resolution will sent for further consideration to the U.N. General Assembly.

Iraq opposed the measure.

The document condemns rights violations and asks Baghdad to respect the Geneva Conventions, in regard to Kuwait, to assure protection for civilians in wartime.

The panel also describes itself as gravely concerned by Iraq's pillaging and systematic destruction of Kuwait's economic infrastructure.

Iraq argued against the measure, saying the panel had ignored human rights violations committed by Israel in the occupied territories and the consequences of the economic blockade of Iraq by the international community, which was imposed to push Iraq out of Kuwait.

-30- 1179

#90337d0890 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GEORGETOWN (DEC 4) - Guyana will receive about 300 million U.S. dollars over the next three years from international financial organizations for the nation's economic recovery program, President Desmond Hoyte said in Georgetown.

He said the economic recovery program, sponsored by the International Monetary Found (IMF) and the World Bank, had made substantial progress during the past two years.

The program is supported by a group of countries including Canada, Britain, France, United States, Japan and Venezuela.

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#90337d0920 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CARACAS (DEC 3) - Finance Minister Roberto Pocaterra will travel to New York Tuesday to sign an agreement to restructure debt owed by the Venezuelan Government to commercial banks, officials announced.

Caracas owes 21.6 billion dollars to the banks. Its total debt is more than 30 billion dollars.

Venezuela wants to refinance the debt as part of the Brady Plan, introduced by Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady to reduce Latin America's debt by some 20 per cent.

Venezuela's accord with its 400 creditor banks will mean a lowered total debt, lower fixed and variable interest rates, the right to buy back its debt on the secondary market at a discount and a fresh injection of funds.

Central Bank head Pedro Tinoco will accompany Mr. Pocaterra, the officials said.

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#90337d1000 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUENOS AIRES (DEC 3) - Mutinous soldiers who seized the army headquarters in downtown Buenos Aires have surrendered, a colonel leaving the facility said Monday, as Argentina's fourth military insurrection in as many years appeared to peter out.

Red Cross teams evacuated wounded from the headquarters, where journalists outside could see rebel soldiers seated on the floor, their hands behind their heads, being guarded by loyalist soldiers.

The surrender was announced by an officer who identified himself as Colonel Macedra.

Earlier, Air Force jets bombed a dozen-strong tank column that had rolled out of a tank factory in the nearby town of Boulogne and was rumbling toward Buenos Aires before government forces retook the facility.

Government sources said two of the tanks that were attacked on the Panamerican highway were damaged, but it was not immediately clear if the rest of the column had surrendered.

In pitched fighting earlier in the day, government forces recovered an infantry barracks and naval buildings in addition to the tank factory.

With a visit by U.S. President George Bush two days off -- the president said he still planned to come -- the Argentine capital was turned into a combat zone.

The crisis began before dawn Monday when rebel troops seized the army headquarters, the barracks and a tank factory on the outskirts of the city, prompting President Carlos Menem to declare a state of siege, suspending civil liberties.

The rebels said the uprising was aimed at ousting the leadership of the army, not the government.

At least three soldiers were killed and about a dozen other people were wounded in the initial clashes of the insurrection, the army said. Three more people were reported killed and several others injured when a rebel tank crashed into a passenger bus.

Demanding the "total defeat" of the rebels, Mr. Menem ordered the air force and the navy to join the army in crushing the uprising.

After the reported surrender of the rebels at army headquarters, Mr. Menem said he considered the uprising to be an attempted coup. He also said he did not rule out applying the death penalty, contained in the Argentine military code, against the rebels.

("We're going as scheduled," U.S. presidential spokesman Roman Popadiuk said in the Brazilian capital, where Mr. Bush was on the first stop of a five-nation South American tour.)

Exchanges of automatic weapons fire near the presidential palace sent pedestrians scurrying for cover behind cars and in entrance ways to buildings.

In a nationwide radio and television broadcast, Army Commander General Martin Bonnet demanded the rebels' "immediate and unconditional" surrender. But when his calls were ignored, tank regiments and artillery units were ordered into action.

The first major counter-attack targeted the Patricios infantry barracks, encircled by tanks and troops armed with rocket launchers.

Reporters at the scene heard heavy exchanges of cannon, mortar and automatic weapons fire as fighting for the barracks erupted.

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#90337d1160 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC 3) - The U.S. State Department Monday stopped short of apologizing for the U.S. ambassador to China, who criticized Chinese protesters, but qualified his name calling as a "spontaneous remark."

U.S. Ambassador to China James Lilley said earlier he regretted referring to protesters against Chinese human rights violations as "cowards", claiming he was provoked when called an obscene name.

"We're all human beings," said State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler.

"The ambassador's spontaneous remark does not represent the considered views of the United States government, nor indeed of Ambassador Lilley himself as he clearly articulated in his speech later that day."

After an incident Saturday before the ambassador spoke at a U.S.-Chinese trade conference in Seattle, Mr. Lilley said: "It was a mistake in the first place. I shouldn't have done it."

Mr. Lilley and Chinese Ambassador Zhu Quizhen were met by about 50 protestors who carried placards and chanted "China -- Human Rights" and "Remember Tiananmen Square," referring to the bloody Chinese Army crackdown on pro-democracy activists in early June 1989.

The ambassador, who was born in China, said he regretted having shouted back at the crowd, "Were you at Tiananmen Square? I was there. You're a bunch of cowards. You go back to China and serve China."

The U.S. envoy, who left Seattle Sunday for Tokyo, defended his position on human rights in China in an interview with the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. He pointed to his assistance to Chinese dissident Fang Lizhi, who lived at the U.S. embassy in Beijing for 13 months before being allowed to leave China earlier this year.

"No one appreciates better than Ambassador Lilley the challenge of working for reform and human rights in China," said Miss Tutwiler. She said he would not be reprimanded.

Mr. Lilley, a former Central Intelligence Agency officer and ex-ambassador to South Korea, was appointed to his current post by President George Bush.

-30- 2240
#90337d1280 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MONTREAL (DEC 3) - Canadian police have seized 115 kilograms (253 pounds) of cocaine hidden in the secret compartment of a van from Miami, Florida, authorities said Monday.

The cocaine was valued at more than 80 million Canadian dollars (68 million U.S.) and was destined for Montreal and Toronto, said police spokesman Rejean Belanger.

The Canadian police arrested 25 people -- most of them from Colombia and Cuba -- in connection with the drug bust. They were to appear before a judge Monday said Lieutenant Belanger.

Police said they had expected two vehicles would contain a total of 215 kilograms (473 pounds) of cocaine but police found only the 115 kilograms in a van from Miami.

Authorities suspect one of the men arrested, Maximo Morales, was the head of a Montreal drug network.

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police seized 500 kilograms of cocaine in April, 1989.

-30- 1092
#90337d1400 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) - The World Bank has agreed to lend Chile 80 million dollars to finance expansion of the Chilean Telephone Company, officials said here Monday.

Sources at the International Finance Corporation, the World Bank subsidiary which made the loan, said the telephone company planned to install 630,000 new telephone lines, doubling the number currently in service.

Chileans often wait years to get a telephone, and a family which falls on hard times can often sell their line for thousands of dollars.

"Our links with the IFC, which began a year ago, reflect our participation in the world financial markets and make up a significant vote of confidence in the telephone company and in Chile," said Luis Terol, head of the Chilean telephone company.

The loan in the second of three agreed to in 1989. The three loans total 228.3 million dollars.

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#90337d1420 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) - The United States has increased its quota for sugar imports with reduced tariffs by 375,000 tons to 2.1 billion tons, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced Monday.

The measure is aimed at compensating for domestic sugar shortages, the USDA said.

Volume was fixed for each country. The Dominican Republic, for example, can now export 358,010 tons to the United States; the Philippines, 321,397 tons; Brazil, 294,953 tons; Australia, 168,835 tons; and Guatemala, 97,640 tons.

Countries which exceed the limits are subject to a 16-cent supplementary tax on each pound of raw sugar.

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#90337d1540 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 4) - Foreign investors are willing to invest in Africa only if South African firms are involved, making South Africa already a virtual trade "powerhouse" on the continent despite international economic sanctions, the South African Bureau for Information said Monday.

"In spite of sanctions, there is virtually no African country South Africa does not trade with," the Bureau said quoting A.J.W. Roodt, director: Africa trade promotion and relations in the Department of Trade and Industry.

South Africa's drive for regional development, the Bureau says, aims to combine South African expertise and entrepreneurship with Western capital to develop South Africa into an economic power.

South African companies are already being acknowledged in certain "bilateral situations" particularly with Southern African states which, according to Trade and Industry Minister Kent Durr, makes South Africa "a launching pad to sub-equatorial Africa".

South Africa's annual exports to Africa are currently estimated at some two billion rands (796.8 million dollars), and imports from Africa have nearly doubled to some 1.26 billion rands (502 million dollars) last year, a bureau document on "development aid to Africa" said.

According to Mr. Roodt imports hold the biggest potential for trade with Africa as South Africa needs to import products "found in huge quantities" in the continent.

"Hard wood", from the vast plantations of Zaire and Mozambique, is cited as an

example, in that those countries have a poor infrastructure to exploit it, while South Africa can provide a market for these products and has the knowledge to develop "backward areas to the advantage of both such countries".

Sanctions, because of South Africa's apartheid policies, the Bureau says, nevertheless "impede the flow of badly needed capital" to the country.

Consequently South Africa, with its own development needs, cannot supply sufficient human and financial resources for direct aid projects in Africa.

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#90337d1590 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (DEC. 4) - A private firm launched Indonesia's first locally built sedan aimed for the mass market on Tuesday.

The Rakyat (People's Car) 90 is produced by PT Indo Mobil Group, one of Indonesia's leading automotive firms, which also handles the local sales of Mazda as well as a number of other Japanese and European cars.

The five-door 1,400 cc hatchback uses 74 percent locally made components, one factor which allowed it to be competitive in the market, said Indo Mobil President Director Subronto Laras.

There is nothing fancy about the car, which company executives admitted looked like one of Mazda's early 1980s models.

"We stick to the basics of making cars. The objective is to make the car affordable to a large number of people," said Mr. Laras.

At 23 million rupiahs (12,500 dollars), the car undercuts all other sedans and is competitive with the highly popular light commercial cars, whose local production is strongly encouraged by the government.

The MR90 defies the government policy of discouraging production and sales of sedans, which are subject to 100 percent import duty and 30 percent luxury tax but Mr. Laras said he believed there was a strong demand for sedans "if the price is right".

The MR90 had so far required very little invesment from Indo Mobil since most of the work was subcontracted to 24 suppliers of parts and components, another factor that gave it a competitive edge, he said.

Indo Mobil's own Mazda factory provided the engine but other suppliers included a local Honda motorcycle plant and local Mitsubishi component-makers.

The large number of participants had caused some problems as a delay from one supplier could halt production, Mr. Laras said, adding that one such delay had

reduced the number of MR90 units to 600 at the time of the launch, instead of the 1,000 originally planned.

Mr. Laras said he hoped to push sales to 1,500 units per month after six months and to 2,000 units by the end of next year.

If sales exceeded this level, then Indo Mobil would have to start thinking about investing in its own plant and rely less on subcontractors, he added.

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#90337d1900 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (DEC. 4) - Australia's current-account deficit swelled to 1.67 billion Australian dollars (1.3 billion U.S.) in October from a revised 1.31 billion (1.02 billion U.S.) in September, the Bureau of Statistics said here Tuesday.

The September figure was revised from an earlier 1.512 billion (1.18 billion U.S.).

The October figure compared with a deficit of 2.386 billion in October 1989, and was at the lower end of market expectations, which had ranged from 1.7 to 2.1 billion dollars.

October's unadjusted merchandise trade deficit, 167 million dollars (122 million U.S.), followed a revised 199 million surplus in September, a Bureau spokesman said.

But both imports and exports had fallen sharply in September, and the October figure compared favourably with a deficit of 385 million in August, when two-way trade was similar.

Exports in October were 4.41 billion dollars, up 10.7 per cent on the revised figure of 3.98 million for September.

October's imports, 4.58 billion dollars, jumped 16.5 per cent from 3.78 billion in September.

Seasonally adjusted, the current account deficit narrowed to 1.19 billion (0.93 billion) dollars in October from 1.33 billion (1.03 billion) in September, and compared with 1.74 billion in October last year.

The seasonally adjusted trade surplus was 229 million (178 million U.S.), following revised figures of 112 million for September and a deficit of 105 million in August, the Bureau said.

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#90337d5250 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 3) - The Indian government has announced a series of austerity measures for its offices throughout the country in a bid to overcome a worsening economic situation resulting from the Gulf crisis.

An official announcement overnight Sunday said the measures includes a 10 percent cut in the government's electricity and telephone expenses, minimising travel by bureaucrats and drastic cuts on entertainment.

The announcement also clapped a ban on the purchase of new vehicles until March 31, the last day of the Indian financial year, and reiterated a previous decree for a 20 percent reduction in the consumption of petrol and diesel fuel.

The measures are aimed at meeting an economic crisis in the aftermath of Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, and the consequent impact on oil supplies, expatriate earnings, world trade and capital flows.

Finance Minister Yashwant Sinha said on November 21 that the new Indian government which assumed office last month had inherited a "very, very difficult economic situation" which required harsh remedial steps.

"The message of austerity must go out loud and clear. This will mean cutting down all wasteful, ostentatious and unnecessary expenditure," he said hours after taking charge.

Sunday's announcement said the austerity measures would apply to central ministries and departments, their subordinate offices, public sector firms, and autonomous and statutory bodies funded by New Delhi.

It added that all ostentatious and decorative lighting, normally done on occasions like Republic Day (January 26) and Independence Day (August 15), will be stopped.

Details of savings anticipated by the government were not available.

A non-official mid-year review of the economy released last month said inflation was expected to rise to 12 to 13 percent in the current fiscal year ending March 31, 1991, from the current 10.2 percent.

The budgetary deficit is now likely to surpass 100 billion rupees (5.55 billion dollars) against the pre-Gulf crisis estimate of 72 billion rupees (four billion dollars).

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#90337d5330 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 3) - Marubeni Corp., a mammoth Japanese trading company, said on Monday it has exported oil-drilling and recovery equipment worth 1.5 billion

yen (11.5 million dollars) to the Soviet Union.

Marubeni officials said the export of the items, including well-head and other equipment, followed the issue by the Soviet Bank for External Economic Relations of a letter of credit for the Soviet Oil and Gas Industry Ministry.

They said the Soviet ministry had switched the import of such equipment from former communist bloc countries to high-quality Western products in order to boost oil production to earn foreign currency.

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#90337d5400 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (DEC. 3) - Taiwan, bowing to Washington's threat to impose retaliatory trade measures, has decided to partially open the domestic spirits market to the United States and the 12 member nations of the European Community (EC), finance officials said here Monday.

The abrupt about face decision was made by the Ministry of Finance (MOF) Sunday after the fourth round of U.S.-Taiwan cigarette and alcoholic beverage talks ended deadlocked over the weekend in Washington, Vice Finance Minister Li Chung-ying said.

At the talks, Taiwan delegates had set January 1992 the time to open spirits imports while their U.S. counterparts had insisted the island liberalize the market by April next year or face trade retaliations under Section 301 of the Trade Act, Mr. Li said.

The liberalization showed Taiwan's goodwill and commitment to international free trade, he said, adding that trading companies can immediately apply for spirits import licenses from the state-run Taiwan Tobacco and Wine Monopoly Bureau.

However, the finance official said the MOF will not make immediate concessions to lower the current 275 per cent monopoly tax on imported spirits to the 185 per cent reportedly proposed by the United States, pending further negotiations.

The spirits imports applied to Irish, Scotch and other whiskeys, cognac, armagnac and other brandies, rum, gin and vodka, Mr. Li said, but not to distilled spirits such as rice wine.

Armed with retalitory threats, Washington has been pressing Taiwan to widen the local market to U.S. products to help narrow a long-standing trade imbalance which reached a record 16 billion U.S. dollars in 1987 in favor of the island.

Under various export incentives and measures to boost imports from the United

States, Taiwan's largest trading partner, the trade gap was cut to 13 billion dollars in 1988 and to 12 billion dollars last year.

The imbalance in the first ten months of 1990 shrank 23.8 per cent to 7.8 billion dollars from a year earlier and is expected to fall to nine billion U.S. dollars for the whole year.

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#90337d5460 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (DEC. 3) - Singapore is ready to set a 20 percent limit on tariffs for a range of items that are not subject to the city-state's "duty-free" policies, press reports said here Monday.

The position was reported in the Straits Time and the Business Times, quoting a Singapore official in Brussels where the Uruguay Round of talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) was wrapping up.

The ministry of trade and industry here would not comment on the reports, which said that Singapore was prepared to set a 20 percent tariff limit on 60 percent of selected items as its contribution to freer world trade.

The Straits Times quoted the official, a member of Singapore's delegation to the GATT discussions, as saying the republic was ready to offer "even more generous terms" if necessary.

Currently, 95 percent of Singapore's imports are duty free. The 20 percent ceiling on tariffs would reportedly affect more than 3,000 other product lines.

The official, who was not named in the reports, said Singapore was hoping for a successful conclusion to the GATT talks to strengthen multilateral trading system.

"As a country highly dependent on free trade, whatever rules coming from GATT must ensure fair and open competition," he told the Singapore correspondents in Brussels.

A commentary in the Straits Times said that whether the talks result in a package of trade liberalization measures will determine the "shape and health of the world economy in this decade and the possibly the next."

It said the row between the United States and European Community over farm subsidies was "potentially destructive" and held the key to the eventual success or failure of the Uruguay Round.

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#90337d5530 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 3) - Japan's exports of color television sets jumped 90.3 percent from a year earlier to 370,000 units in October in the fifth straight monthly rise, the Electronic Industries Association of Japan said Monday.

Exports of video-cassette recorders (VCRs) also rose 13.8 percent to 2,498,000 units in the sixth year-on-year advance, the association said.

Domestic sales of color television sets inched up 4.1 percent to 738,000 units but those of VCRs fell 6.8 percent to 453,000 units.

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#90337d5730 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 3) - India's leading automaker Maruti Udyog Ltd. (MUL) is to export almost 4,000 cars to Italy and Portugal, a senior company official said Monday.

General Manager D.S. Gupta said here that 3,600 cars would be shipped to Italy and 300 to Portugal in the fiscal year beginning April 1991, the first time the state-run firm has won orders in the two European countries.

Mr. Gupta called the maiden dents in the auto markets of Italy and Portugal "a drop in the ocean," but added that the deal would generate 14 million dollars in foreign exchange.

The orders were bagged during a visit last month to Europe by MUL Chairman R.C. Bhargava and Mr. Gupta.

MUL, partly owned by Suzuki Motors of Japan, controls 60 percent of the Indian automobile market. It already exports to 20 countries including Australia, France, Cyprus, Hungary, Tanzania, Malta, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Bhutan and Nepal.

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#90337d5780 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 3) - Japan's foreign exchange reserves rose 482 million dollars from a month earlier to 76.672 billion dollars at the end of November, the finance ministry said Monday.

The holdings represented the seventh consecutive month-on-month increase since May, the ministry said.

The latest available statistics show that foreign exchange reserves held by the United States at the end of September totaled 81.7 billion dollars and those of Italy stood at 72.2 billion dollars, also in September, officials said.

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#90337d5860 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC. 3) - The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) opened here Monday a ministerial conference to try to wrap up the four-year "Uruguay Round" talks to liberalize world trade.

With major differences remaining among the 107 delegations here, diplomatic observers put the chances at 50-50 for a new world trade accord being approved during the talks lasting through December 7.

The Uruguay Round, begun in Punta del Este in 1986, has aimed at liberalizing 15 key areas of world trade.

But one key issue, the size of cuts in subsidies paid to farmers, remained unresolved as the session got underway, the dispute chiefly being between the European Community on one side and the United States and other major food exporters on the other.

With Belgian King Baudouin in attendance, Gatt general director Arthur Dunkel opened the session with an appeal to the delegations to reach a political consensus and end the crisis.

Outside the conference hall, some 25,000 farmers from across Europe were preparing a mass demonstration against the farm subsidy cuts.

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#90337d6010 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABU DHABI (DEC. 3) - United Arab Emirates (UAE) oil earnings are expected to rise by 52 per cent in 1990 due to an increase in prices and production, Planning Minister Sheikh Humayd bin Ahmad Al-Muwalla has said.

Earnings will reach 57.2 billion dirhams (15.58 billion dollars) compared with 37.6 billion dirhams (10.24 billion dollars) in 1989, he said in a report marking the UAE's National Day on Sunday.

Oil accounts for more than 90 percent of the UAE's income, with revenues fluctuating every year according to market prices.

The latest increase in earnings was prompted by a rise in oil prices to above 30 dollars linked to Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Meanwhile the UAE -- in line with an agreement by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries of which it is a member -- decided to increase output by over 500,000 barrels per day, further pushing up revenues.

The production hike was aimed at offsetting a loss of four million bpd that

resulted as Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil supplies were halted under a U.N. embargo issued after the invasion of the emirate.

Elsewhere, Sheikh Humayd said that the UAE's liquified gas exports were expected to increase to 4.1 billion dirhams (1.1 billion dollars) in 1990 from 3.4 billion dirhams (926 million dollars) in 1989.

He also revealed that investment in the oil sector totalled 41.7 billion dirhams (11.36 billion dollars) during 1985-1990.

Sheikh Humayd said the increase in oil exports was expected to push up the gross domestic product to 121 billion dirhams (32.9 billion dollars) in 1990 from around 100 billion dirhams (27.2 billion dollars) in 1989.

The UAE's GDP stood at only 6.5 billion dirhams (1.77 billion dollars) in 1972.

About 80 percent of the UAE's oil output comes from Abu Dhabi and the rest from Dubai, Sharjah and Ras Al Khaimah. The UAE is also made up of the Fujeirah, Ajman and Umm Al Quwain emirates.

A recent report by former oil minister Mana Saeedd Al-Oteiba put the UAE's proven crude reserves at 116 billion barrels, of which 109 billion were in Abu Dhabi alone.

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#90337d6020 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (DEC. 3) - German Economy Minister Helmut Haussmann resigned Monday, a Liberal Party (FDP) spokesman said.

His resignation came within hours of the general election in Germany in which his party emerged stronger within the coalition led by Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union.

Mr. Haussmann, who was named economy minister on December 9, 1988, told his party he wanted to return to private life to run his family business.

He will be replaced by FDP member Juergen Moellemann, the current education minister.

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#90337d6060 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 3) - The United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Oman have notified Japanese importers of their decision to cut crude oil prices for November shipments, industry sources said Monday.

The price of the UAE benchmark Murban crude for Japan will be lowered by 3.7

dollars a barrel to 30.6 dollars, while that of Oman's benchmark will be cut by 3.55 dollars to 29.3 dollars, the sources said.

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#90337d6140 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bangkok (DEC. 3) - Vietnam's communist party, conceding mistakes made in the past under a ''dogmatic'' economic policy, has drafted a strategy of accelerated development of the economy in order to double peoples' incomes by the year 2000, Hanoi reported Monday.

According to a report by the Vietnamese News Agency (Vna), a party document drafted at last week's central committee meeting stressed that Hanoi continued to adhere to communist ideology.

But the central committee criticised the fact that for too long, Vietnam had pursued ''a dogmatic socialist model of economic development'', the Vna said.

Among the mistakes in the past, the party concluded, had been the abolition of private business and an ''overemphasis on heavy industry'' built up with Soviet help.

At the moment, the average per capita income in Vietnam is around 210 dollars a year. By the year 2000, Hanoi expects the country's population to rise from the current 66 million persons to 80 million, with the work force rising from 32 million to 45 million persons.

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#90337d6200 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BHOPAL, India (DEC. 3) - Thousands of protestors demonstrated outside the factory of Union Carbide Corp. here Monday, chanting slogans and burning effigies to mark the sixth anniversary of the Bhopal gas disaster.

Some 5,000 people who survived the world's worst industrial disaster on December 2-3, 1984, marched to the factory in three processions, shouting "Down With Union Carbide" and "Union Carbide Get Out."

Outside the factory, they beat effigies of the U.S. multinational's former chairman, Warren Anderson, with sticks and shoes and spat on them before setting them ablaze.

Hundreds of police and firefighters were in attendance at the now-closed pesticides plant in the old quarters of Bhopal as demonstrators converged on the site beginning early Monday.

Protest organisers, including political parties and voluntary groups, said demonstrations and public meetings would continue all day.

The government of Madhya Pradesh state, which administers Bhopal, held an ecumenical prayer in memory of the 3,828 people officially stated to have died as a result of exposure to methyl iso-cyanate, the gas that leaked from the factory.

State Chief Minister Sunder Lal Patwa visited Hindu and Sikh temples, a church a mosque and cremation and burial grounds to pray for the dead.

Street protests and prayers have become a yearly ritual on this day in Bhopal, a city of more than 600,000 people.

Some 1,750 people were killed immediately and more than 50,000 permanently maimed in the gas leak, the world's worst industrial disaster.

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#90337d6220 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 3) - China and the Soviet Union, as a further sign of improving relations, recently agreed to reciprocal use of their radio transmitters, Beijing announced Monday.

The accord, "aimed at strengthening relations between the radio transmitting organs of the two countries," was signed late last month in Beijing, the ministry of radio, cinema and television said.

The accord will allow Radio Moscow to be heard loud and clear in southern and eastern Asia and the Pacific, while Radio Beijing will be better received in the Gulf and Europe.

Chinese transmitters will relay Soviet programming to Australia, Bangladesh, Burma, Vietnam, Indonesia, Thailand and the Philippines, among other countries.

In turn, Chinese radio broadcasts well be relayed by Soviet transmitters to Iraq, Saudi Arabia and other Gulf states as well as Turkey, France and Britain.

The two-year accord will be automatically renewable unless one or the other signatories decides to pull out.

In another sign of improving ties, Soviet and Chinese officials reopened talks on demilitarisation of their common border, Soviet Embassy sources said.

The talks followed from Mr. Gorbachev's proposal on demilitarising the 7,500-kilometer (4,600-mile) border during his visit here in May 1989.

The second round of negotiations started Friday, according to the sources, who declined to give details of the discussions to reduce troop and weapon concentrations on the border.

The first round was held here in June.

The May 1989 summit between paramount leader Deng Xiaoping and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev ended 30 years of Sino-Soviet rift.

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#90337d6270 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 3) - The price of Brent North Sea oil fell below 29 dollars per barrel in early trading here on Monday in line with the trend late on Friday in response to a decision by the United States to send Secretary of States James Baker to Baghdad, analysts said.

Prices firmed slightly after the first deals, and the price was at 28.95 dollars a barrel for January delivery compared with 28.25 dollars in the first deals, and 29.60 dollars at Friday's close.

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#90337d6320 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Riyadh (DEC. 3) - Defence ministers of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (Gcc) are to meet in the Saudi capital of Riyadh Tuesday to discuss military issues following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2, reports said Monday.

The defence ministers of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain, Oman, and the United Arab Emirates (Uae) will review during their two-day meeting the military situation in the Gulf region brought on by the continued Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

They will later make recommendations to their heads of state who are scheduled to hold a summit meeting in the Qatari capital of Doha on December 22, the Kuwaiti News Agency (Kuna) said.

The Saudi newspaper Okaz Monday underlined the significance of the Gcc defence ministers' meeting, noting that it comes after the adoption by the United Nations Security Council of a resolution authorising the use of military force against Iraq if it does not withdraw its troops from Kuwait by January 15.

''The meeting also comes before the forthcoming Gcc summit which will approve the recommendations of the joint ministerial meetings in all fields of coordination and cooperation,'' the paper said.

It added that despite their preoccupation with the Gulf crisis, Gcc leaders were pursuing efforts for joint coordination and cooperation in all fields.

''The Gcc states have confronted the Iraqi aggression against Kuwait with a

united and solid stance,'' the paper said.

Gcc foreign ministers are due to meet in Doha Saturday to prepare the agenda of the upcoming summit.

The Gcc was set up in 1981 after the start of the Iraq-Iran war in an attempt to coordinate the economic and defence policies of the six oil-rich states.

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#90337d6440 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Brussels (DEC. 3) - Finance ministers of the 12-nation European Community (E.C.) began a one-day review here Monday on a strategy to combat money laundering practices by international drug traffickers.

Starting in 1993, when the Single Market is to be launched, the E.C. aims to have unified rules for punishing those engaged in money laundering.

But a number of differences on this question, as well as on other issues such as value-added taxes and a liberalisation of stock market services, still remain unresolved by the E.C. finance ministers.

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#90337d6490 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA, Dec 3 (AFP) - Talks on the future of U.S. military bases in the Philippines were to resume here Tuesday with the duration of a new leasing agreement and compensation topping the agenda, sources on both sides said.

U.S. chief negotiator Richard Armitage was expected to arrive Tuesday and hold one-on-one talks with his Philippine counterpart, Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus, prior to meetings between full panels.

The talks, due to end Friday, will be the fourth round of the negotiations on Clark Air Base, Subic Naval Base and four support facilities, which constitute the largest American military complex overseas.

The current U.S. lease expires on September 16, 1991.

During the last round, the United States asked for 10 to 12 years of continued access, while the Philippines said it was looking at a five- to seven-year new lease.

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#90337d6520 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (DEC. 3) - Israel is to impose more stringent checks on Palestinians entering the country from the occupied territories because of an escalation in anti-Israeli attacks, police said.

Controls at checkpoints into Israel will be tightened, a police spokesman said. Some posts will be closed and replaced by roving checkpoints in the occupied West Bank.

Israeli military authorities will hand out thousands more "green cards" barring Palestinian workers from Israel because of criminal records or nationalist activities. 10,000 cards have already been issued.

Three Palestinians stabbed passengers on a bus Sunday near Tel Aviv killing an Israeli student and wounding three teenagers. One of the attackers was shot dead and the other two captured.

Soldiers walled up the home of one of the three attackers and the army also plans to dynamite the homes of the other two, the military said.

In Amman, an Islamic underground group, Al-Jihad Al-Islami Kataeb Al-Aqsa, claimed responsibility for the attack and warned of further strikes.

The attack came one week after an Egyptian conscript crossed into Israeli territory near the southern resort city of Eilat and opened fire on a bus carrying workers, killing the driver and wounding 22 passengers.

Israel's new security measures also come ahead of the third anniversary of the start on December 9, 1987 of a Palestinian uprising against Israeli rule of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The army imposed a curfew and made several arrests Monday in the Tulkarm region of the West Bank where a petrol bomb was hurled the previous day at a military patrol. There were no casualties.

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#90337d6570 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OTTOBRUNN (DEC. 3) - The German aviation and aerospace company Messerschmitt-Boelkow-Blohm (Mbb) disclosed here Monday that it has sold its small plane manufacturing subsidiary Rhein-Flugzeugbau (Rfb) to another German company.

Mbb, without disclosing the sales price, said the Rfb was taken over by the Abs international company near Cologne on November 1.

Rfb, based in Moenchengladbach, expects a turnover this year of some 43 million marks (29 million dollars). The company produces the training plane ''Fan Trainer'' as well as synthetic fibre components used in lightweight airplane construction.

Small Rfb branches in Luebeck and Hamburg were sold to Deutsche Airbus, the German partner in the Airbus consortium, Mbb said.

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#90337d6630 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 3) - Three thousand people have been left homeless by an earthquake Saturday night in Kirghizia, Soviet central Asia, but no lives were lost, TASS news agency reported on Monday.

According to TASS, the quake registered 6.5 on the 12-point Mercalli scale. Its epicentre was near Uzgen, in the west of the republic.

Tents and basic essentials had been sent to the area, TASS added.

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#90337d6810 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 3) - Italy and Spain will be the first countries of the European Community (EC) to renew aid and loans to China which were suspended following the Tiananmen crackdown, an official report said Monday.

The China Daily said the move followed a "successful visit" to the two countries in November by a delegation led by Chemical Minister Gu Xiulian. It was the first such high-level visit since the partial lifting of sanctions last month by the EC.

An industry official said "Italy has agreed to resume gradually providing its contracted loans and grants which were stopped after June 1989," the army crackdown on democracy activists in Beijing's Tiananmen Square.

Spain will also probably increase its loans to China because Madrid is very interested in playing a role in the construction of China's key chemical fertilizer projects, the China Daily said, quoting Zhang Gengxin, director of the ministry's foreign affairs department.

The Spanish Embassy indicated that its loans and aid to China would be renewed early next year.

Spanish Foreign Minister Francisco Fernandez Ordonez last month became the first EC minister to visit Beijing since June 1989.

A Spanish diplomat here said Mr. Ordonez discussed with his counterpart, Qian Qichen, a Madrid plan to open early next year a line of credit "at least equal" to the 450 million dollars in loans granted before the Tiananmen crackdown.

Mr. Zhang said that since sanctions were imposed, Italy had dropped from China's second largest EC trading partner, with bilateral trade reaching an annual high of 2.5 billion dollars, to fourth largest. Germany is China's largest EC trading partner.

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#90337d7240 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Duesseldorf (DEC. 3) - Westdeutsche Landesbank (WestLb) said here Monday it has acquired a controlling 50.11 percent share of the department store group Horten from the German subsidiary of the British firm Bat industries Plc.

WestLb did not disclose the price it paid the Hamburg-based Batig company for Horten. But industry sources believed the bank paid less than 500 million marks (333 million dollars), or the nominal value of the share package.

Horten, which in 1989 had a turnover of some 3 billion marks, reported a further rise in its turnover through September this year of 6 percent. The department store chain employs 15,000 people.

The other major Horten shareholder is the Degav investment company, with a 25 percent holding. The remaining 25 percent of Horten's equity is dispersed among more than 25,000 shareholders.

Bat had announced a year ago its aim to sell its majority holding in Horten. But talks with several potential buyers, including other German department store companies, failed to reach an agreement.

Horten chairman Heinz Garsoffky then took the initiative and engineered the deal with WestLb, sources said. Both Horten and WestLb, which is the central bank for the state of North Rhine-Westfalia, are based in Duesseldorf.

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#90337d7350 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (DEC. 3) - Turkey's armed forces chief General Necip Torumtay resigned Monday saying "his principles" would not allow him to continue in the post.

Gen. Torumtay, who took over in August 1987 presented his resignation to the prime minister, Anatolia news agency reported quoting a communique from the armed forces general staff.

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#90337d7430 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HASBAYA, Lebanon (DEC. 3) - Israeli troops and their proxy militia in southern Lebanon Monday killed 10 anti-Israeli combatants in two separate clashes near here, security sources and the South Lebanon Army (SLA) reported.

The two incidents occured inside the Israeli-imposed "security zone" in southern Lebanon, the reports said, adding that the Israeli troops and SLA militiamen suffered no casualties in the clashes.

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#90337d7470 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PHNOM PENH (DEC. 3) - Rubber production in Cambodia is back to pre-war levels and rubber has become a major export item, according to the official press.

Official statistics estimate some 5,000 tons of crepe (pressed rubber) will be produced from 50,000 hectares (123,500 acres) of plantations this year, SPK news agency said in a dispatch late Sunday.

The figure puts output back to pre-war levels, the agency said, adding that rubber was the country's second most important product after timber.

Exports tripled between 1983 and 1989. During the first nine months of this year the country sold 12,000 tons of rubber overseas.

Principal markets were the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, where buyers want Cambodia to use hard currency. An estimated 20 million dollars worth of rubber products had gone to those regions, SPK said.

It added that crepe was also sold last year to Singapore, Hong Kong, Japan and France.

Discussions on cooperation in the commodity were also under way with a private Malaysian company.

SPK said that a policy of self-financing had given the rubber industry more freedom.

Observers here noted that much of the rubber industry, centred in the eastern province of Kompong Cham, was privatised under economic reforms launched by the government last year.

War began in Cambodia in 1970 and was followed by four years of brutal Khmer Rouge rule between 1975 and early 1979, when the radical communist group was ousted from power by the Vietnamese. Civil war has wracked the country since then.

The rubber industry took a battering in the 1970s and has been struggling to recover ever since.

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#90337d8260 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (DEC. 3) - Rebels of the Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA) said Monday they had captured the south-western garrison town of Sosyubo, and claimed it was the sixteenth town they had taken in two weeks.

Rebel radio, monitored here, said the SPLA was now shelling the town of Maridi also in the south-west. The radio said 22 government soldiers had been killed in the 10-hour battle for Sosyubo, which fell to the rebels on Sunday morning. It gave no details of rebel losses.

The SPLA, which has been fighting since 1983 to free mainly Christian and animist southern Sudan from domination by the Islamic north, now claims to control the south-western province of Equatoria.

The radio said the capture of Sosyubo, near the border with the Central African Republic, gave the SPLA control of the border with the Central African Republic.

Government troops fled into the Central African Republic but the rebels said they did not pursue them.

-30- 1132
#90337d8270 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Moscow (DEC. 3) - Continuing its go-it-alone economic reform policy course, the parliament of the Russian federative republic here Monday approved private land ownership, a decision challenging one of the chief cornerstones of the country's communist ideology.

The parliamentary vote followed several days of controversial debate on far-reaching reform of the agricultural sector proposed by parliamentary president Boris Yeltsin.

The land ownership reform is a further step by Russia, the biggest of the republics in the Soviet system, to assert its independence in policy matters, having already introduced the radical ''500 days'' programme to convert from a socialist to a market economy.

In the land ownership debate, proponents of private ownership said returning land to private hands was needed to raise farm efficiency and as a corrective adjustment to the mass land collectivisation of the farming sector imposed by the communists in the 1920s and 1930s.

The private ownership bill was a compromise however which will not assure a completely free property market as advocated by Yeltsin.

For example, a private property owner may sell his land back to the state only. This was a concession to opponents of the reform who feared that land could become an object of speculation.

The vote in favour of private land ownership by the 1,000 deputies was seen as a further victory for Yeltsin, who backs a rapid and radical pace of economic reform. Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev had taken part in the debate to voice opposition to private land ownership.

-30- 1772

#90337d8380 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) - Construction spending in the United States rose 1.3 percent in October, the first hike in three months, the Commerce Department reported Monday.

It said overall residential, non-residential and government spending reached a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 434.4 billion dollars, up from 428.9 billion dollars in September. Spending was unchanged in August at 441.2 billion dollars.

The construction industry has been in the doldrums for months, beset by high interest rates, tight lending requirements, high vacancy rates and slumping consumer confidence in the wake of the Gulf crisis.

-30- 813

#90337d8430 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 3) - South African police made their biggest ever airport drug seizure on Monday when they confiscated heroin and mandrax tablets worth some 17 million rands (6.75 million dollars).

Johannesburg police spokesman Captain Eugene Opperman said police found heroin worth 15 million rands (5.97 million dollars) in suitcases in the international transit section at Jan Smuts airport here.

Capt. Opperman said it was the biggest such find at a South African airport.

In another incident at Jan Smuts, an Indian woman was arrested when she tried to bring mandrax powder with a street-value of 150,000 rands (59,760 dollars) into the country, Capt. Opperman said.

Three other women on the same flight were arrested when mandrax tablets worth some two million rands (796,812 dollars) were found in their possession.

Mandrax, which is mixed with marijuana and smoked, is banned in South Africa.

-30- 1098

#90337d8500 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (DEC. 3) - Swissair and Singapore Airlines have agreed to buy shares in one another's companies, Swissair said here on Monday.

Singapore Airlines will buy 2.77 percent of capital in Swissair and the Swiss company will buy 0.62 percent of Singapore Airlines from June 1991.

Swissair said that the two airlines would co-operate on planning flight timetables, providing in-flight services, carrying freight and on technical matters.

The Swiss company also announced that the two airlines had formed a "global alliance" with the U.S. Delta Airlines allowing transit passengers to check-in once only.

Within Europe Swissair is also linked with the Scandinavian SAS company, with Austrian Airlines and with Finnair of Finland.

-30- 933

#90337d8540 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 3) - An extraordinary Congress of the Russian Federation on Monday voted to restore private ownership of land for the first time since the 1917 revolution.

The measure was adopted by 602 votes to 369 with 40 abstentions after four days of intense debate. Its passing was greeted with applause from one part of the chamber.

One major restriction will apply however. The land acquired privately cannot be resold for at least 10 years and then only to local councils.

Private property will be on a par with other property titles such as kolkhozes or collective farms and cooperatives.

Russian Prime Minister Ivan Silayev submitted the agrarian reform to deputies last week, triggering an immediate row over the issue of private land ownership.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev last week said he was opposed to "privatizing" land.

-30- 1058

#90337d8610 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 3) - The issue of the future location of the International Cocoa Organisation (ICCO)'s headquarters will not be resolved at the executive committee meeting taking place in London December 3-5, delegates said Monday.

The lease on the ICCO's current headquarters, which it shares with the International Coffee Organisation (ICO) in Berners Street, Central London, is due to expire in May of next year.

The two organisations have to decide between staying where they are, moving elsewhere in London, or possibly moving abroad.

The Netherlands have signalled their interest in bringing the ICCO and the ICO to Amsterdam, but have not as yet prepared a detailed proposal for discussion.

Mr. Jan van Sluisveld, representing the Netherlands at the executive committee said the potential Dutch proposal would have the aim of "helping" the ICCO and the ICO, by giving them the option to relocate in a cheaper European city. "Rents for office space in Amsterdam are half those of London", he said.

However he also said that the Netherlands was "not in a position to make a definite proposal at the moment". This will mean that the earliest the issue could be fully discussed would be at the next meeting of the council, due to be held in London March 18-22.

-30- 1474

#90337d8640 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DELTA, British Columbia (DEC 3) - A gunman left two dead and three injured early Sunday in the western Canadian province of British Columbia after opening fire at a meeting of Canadians of Indian descent at a secondary school, local police said.

Harnek Singh Lalli, aged 33, a Canadian of Indian origin, escaped after firing some 15 shots with a semi-automatic weapon in a school hall where about 400 people had gathered for a conference on drug and alcohol abuse. The meeting was organized by an Indo-Canadian association.

Baljinder Gill, aged 26, and Jasbinder Khak, aged 27, both Vancouver area residents, were shot dead. Jatinder Bhatti, Gurchragan Kandola and Sarjbit Sahota were hospitalized with gunshot wounds.

-30- 919

#90337d8680 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (DEC. 3) - The Saudi Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC) is aiming to expand its petrochemical operations abroad to include downstream ventures overseas, the Middle East Economic Survey (MEES) said in a report published

here Monday.

The weekly newsletter, quoting SABIC vice chairman Ibrahim Ibn Salamah, said the company would expand either through joint ventures with foreign partners or initiate petrochemical costruction projects on its own.

"Worldwide, business is becoming more global than simply regional," he said. "And the kingdom and SABIC are part of this global business community."

While Saudi Arabia has already been involved in the production of base petrochemicals like ethylene, glycol, polyethylene, ammonia and urea, it is also introducing new products such as propylene, butadiene and benzene on the domestic market, Mr. Ibn Salamah said.

"At the same time we are now going into the intermediate and downstream industries in participation with our foreign partners and the private sector, not just for domestic consumption but also for export worldwide," he said.

Mr. Ibn Salamah said the years 1991-1995 would see rapid expansion with resident downstream operations in Asia, Europe and the Middle East but did not specify in which countries.

Asked about the danger of over-capacity in the petrochemical industry once Saudi Arabia is a full-fledged competitor to already existing enterprises, Mr. Ibn Salamah admitted the risk existed, notably if all plants worked at full capacity.

"But supplydemand and prices always operate to balance the market and determine how much production should be reduced," he said.

-30- 1873

#90337d8770 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUSSELDORF, Germany (DEC 3) - West LB, Germany's biggest private bank, announced on Monday that it had agreed to buy 50.11 percent of the Horten store chain from the British BAT Industries group, but did not give the price.

Banking circles said the price was "well below half a billion Deutschemarks (333 million dollars)," and BAT sources in London indicated that the price was about 140 million pounds (about 270 million dollars).

The deal, due to take effect at the end of the year, is subject to aproval by the German cartels office.

The bank said it had acted for itself and did not intend to pass the stake on to other investors.

An investment company called DEGAV holds 25 percent of Horten, and the rest of

the equity is held by small investors.

Horten, the fourth-biggest German store chain, controls 54 stores. In 1989 it had consolidated sales of three billion marks (two billion dollars) and 15,000 employees. But profits fell by 52.7 percent to 15 million marks (10 million dollars), and the dividend was cut from six marks to three marks.

On Monday Horten shares fell by 9.8 marks to 203 marks.

-30- 1332
#90337d8900 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC 3) - The government of Somalia imposed Monday a nationwide state of emergency and placed the army on alert as rebel forces advanced on the capital Mogadishu.

Reports here said there had been a complete breakdown of law and order in the capital where witnesses reported 16 people killed overnight in a clash between members of two rival clans.

Prime Minister Mohamed Hawadle Madar said the situation in Mogadishu was ''very alarming''. He warned that murderers, looters and saboteurs would face the death penalty or life imprisonment.

Western radio reports said rebels had fought their way to within 50 kilometres of Mogadishu, and that numerous rebels had infiltrated the capital to prepare a final offensive against government forces.

The Somali National Movement has been fighting since 1988 from northern Somalia to overthrow the government of President Mohammed Siad Barre who has been in power for 21 years.

It has joined forces with two other opposition groups, the United Somali Congress, in the country's central regions, and the Somali Patriotic Front, in the south, to try to overthrow 71-year-old Siad.

In October, rebel forces claimed to have killed 400 government soldiers, and in September rebels said they captured a regional capital, Dusa Mareb in the central Ghel Gudud region.

Most Westerners have already left the country. Several European Community (E.C.) countries have asked France to evacuate any remaining nationals at short notice if necessary. France has 4,000 troops stationed in neighbouring Djibouti.

-30- 1778
#90337d9130 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC 3) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,303.00 (1,273.00) 1,306.50 (1,287.50)
Lead 343.50 (340.00) 346.75 (344.50)
Zinc Hg 1,242.50 (1,236.50) 1,226.00 (1,224.00)
Tin 5,860.00 (5,940.00) 5,877.50 (5,950.00)
Aluminium 1,495.50 (1,510.00) 1,528.00 (1,545.50)
Nickel 8,337.50 (8,375.00) 8,100.00 (8,137.50)
(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

-30- 672

#90337d9140 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOVER (DEC 3) - Fresh warning strikes disrupted output at the Volkswagen car works here Monday as unions and management resumed negotiations on pay increases for the group's 130,000 employees.

Union sources said about 10,000 employees stopped work for two hours at the Hanover factory and 3,800 workers ceased work at a plant at Salzgitter.

The IG Metall union is demanding immediate introduction of a 35-hour working week, without loss of salary, and a pay increase of 8.5 percent.

Management has proposed a four-per-cent pay increase, and introduction of a 35-hour week from 1996.

Warning strikes were held last week at a plant at Wolfsburg by about 60,000 employees.

-30- 882

#90337d9230 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC 3) - Pakistan decided Monday to send 10,000 tonnes of rice to Moscow to help the Soviet Union feed its people, Federal Minister for Finance Sartaj Aziz said.

"It is a gesture of goodwill," Mr. Aziz told reporters.

The decision follows a call from the United Nations to send humanitarian aid to the Soviet Union, where drought in some areas, compounded by distribution problems and corruption in others, has caused food shortages.

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#90337d9530 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC 3) - President Mikhail Gorbachev issued a directive Monday setting up a special committee to receive and distribute international humanitarian aid arriving in the Soviet Union, Tass news agency said.

The panel, which reports directly to Mr. Gorbachev, is to be headed by first deputy prime minister Lev Voronin.

It will tackle problems related to the "transport and distribution of medicine and other goods" donated to the Soviet Union by foreign countries, Tass said.

Food shipments from Germany arrived in Moscow and Leningrad, the biggest Soviet cities, last week, and aid was expected from the United States within the next few days.

The committee was created after radical reformists in the Moscow and Leningrad governments accused party conservatives of instigating a food blockade of the two cities to discredit reforms.

-30- 1053

#90337d9790 12/03/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC 3) - South Korean President Roh Tae-Woo will visit the Soviet Union in mid-December crowning the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries, Tass news agency said.

Mr. Roh had been invited to Moscow by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, the agency added.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and his South Korean counterpart Choi Ho-Jong agreed to establishing diplomatic ties in New York on September 30 on the sidelines of the United Nations General Assembly.

-30- 703

#90337e0068 12/03/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LIMA (DEC. 3) EFE - At least 20 leftist Peruvian guerrillas were killed Monday during a two-hour gun battle with security forces near a town in the central Andean highlands, a radio station based in the capital reported.

Citing police officials, the RadioProgramas station said the clash came as security forces surprised a group of Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement (MRTA) rebels who were preparing to attack the town of Alto Mayo, some 650 km north of Lima.

Five security force members were wounded in the gun battle and a quantity of arms and ammuntion was recovered, police said.

A Senate Commission recently reported that 3,213 people have been killed this

year in political violence in Peru. Of the number, 245 were security force members.

The commission said that 19,024 people had been killed since the Maoist +Shining Path+ rebel group took up arms in 1980, four years before the smaller MRTA group emerged.

Tupac Amaru, which takes its name from an 18th century Indian leader who led a rebellion against Spanish rule, first hit headlines with a machinegun attack on the U.S. embassy in the capital in September 1984.

-30- 1319

#90337h0009 12/03/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC. 3) XINHUA - PAKISTAN FEDERAL CABINET, WHICH IS TO MEET HERE TODAY, IS EXPECTED TO APPROVE A DRAFT LAW FOR CAPITAL PUNISHMENT AGAINST KIDNAPPING FOR RANSOM, IT IS LEARNT FROM RELIABLE SOURCES.

PRIME MINISTER NAWAZ SHARIF ANNOUNCED THE FORMULATION OF THIS LAW DURING HIS STOPOVER IN KARACHI ON HIS WAY TO SAUDI ARABIA TWO WEEKS AGO AND DIRECTED THE LAW MINISTRY IN THE LAST CABINET SESSION TO IMMEDIATELY PREPARE IT AND PUT IT BEFORE THE NEXT MEETING.

IN RECENT YEARS, KIDNAPPING HAS ASSUMED AN ALARMING PROPORTION IN THE COUNTRY, ESPECIALLY IN SIND PROVINCE. THE PRESENT PENAL CODE LAW PROVIDES FOR LIFE TERM AND CONFISCATION OF PROPERTY TO SUCH CRIMINALS. IT WILL BE AMENDED TO GIVE DEATH SENTENCE TO KIDNAPPERS IN FUTURE.

SUCH KIDNAPPERS ARE LIKELY TO BE TRIED IN SPECIAL COURTS TO AVOID LOSS OF TIME WHICH IS NORMALLY SPREAD OVER LONG PERIODS UNDER ORDINARY JUDICIAL BODIES, PRESS REPORTS SAID.

SIND CHIEF MINISTER JAM SADIQ ALI, WHOSE PROVINCE HAS TURNED OUT TO BE A DEN OF SUCH OFFENDERS, HAS ALSO DEMANDED THE PROMULGATION OF A LAW PROVIDING FOR STRINGENT PUNISHMENT TO KIDNAPPERS.

-30- 1284

#90337h0016 12/03/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA (DEC. 3) XINHUA - THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A NORWEGIAN-FINANCED BANGLADESH RAILWAY INTEGRATED TELECOMMUNICATION PROJECT IS IN PROGRESS AND WILL BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF MARCH NEXT YEAR, ACCORDING TO BANGLADESH TV BROADCAST.

THE 29 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR PROJECT IS FINANCED BY THE NORWEGIAN DEVELOPMENT AGENCY.

ON COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT, 350 RAILWAY STATIONS IN BANGLADESH WILL HAVE DIRECT TELECOMMUNICATION LINK.

-30- 592
#90337h0024 12/03/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (DEC. 3) XINHUA - CHINA'S PATENT OFFICE PROCESSED 28,682 OVERSEAS APPLICATIONS FOR PATENTS FROM 64 COUNTRIES AND REGIONS THROUGH SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR.

"PEOLE'S DAILY" QUOTED GAO LULIN, DIRECTOR OF CHINA'S PATENT OFFICE, AS SAYING THAT MOST OF THE APPLICANTS WERE FROM THE UNITED STATES, JAPAN, GERMANY AND FRANCE.

THE 1,272 APPLICATIONS FROM TAIWAN AND THE 893 FROM HONG KONG ARE ALSO A MARKED INCREASE.

CHINA'S PATENT LAW WENT INTO EFFECT IN 1985. THE DIRECTOR SAID THAT BY THE END OF SEPTEMBER OF THIS YEAR HIS OFFICE HAS HANDLED OVER 155,360 DOMESTIC AND OVERSEAS PATENT APPLICATIONS. FROM THAT FIGURE 56,463 ITEMS HAVE BEEN PATENTED INCLUDING 5,330 ITEMS FROM OUTSIDE CHINA.

THE DIRECTOR ADDED OHAT MOST OF THE PATENTED ITEMS ARE NOW PRODUCING OBVIOUS ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL BENEFITS.

-30- 998
#90337h0025 12/03/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (DEC. 3) XINHUA - THE TOTAL GRAIN OUTPUT OF NORTHEASTERN CHINA'S THREE PROVINCES SET RECORD OF 53.6 BILLION KILOGRAMS THIS YEAR.

TODAY'S OVERSEAS EDITION OF "PEOPLE'S DAILY" REPORTED THAT THE GRAIN OUTPUT OF HEILONGJIANG, JILIN AND LIAONING PROVINCES FOR THIS YEAR INCREASED BY 12.75 BILLION KILOGRAMS OVER LAST YEAR.

THE NEWSPAPER QUOTED LOCAL OFFICIALS AS SAYING "THE THREE PROVINCES ARE EXPECTED TO SELL OVER 25 BILLION KILOGRAMS OF COMMODITY GRAIN TO THE STATE."

-30- 645
#90337h0026 12/03/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
WARSAW (DEC. 2) XINHUA - PRIME MINISTER TADEUSZ MAZOWIECKI, DEFEATED IN THE FIRST ROUND OF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS ON NOVEMBER 25, FOUNDED TODAY A NEW PARTY CALLED "THE UNION OF DEMOCRACY" WHICH WAS CHAIRED BY HIM.

MAZOWIECKI, WHO HAS OFFERED HIS RESIGNATION TO PARLIAMENT AFTER HIS DEFEAT, DECLARED THE FOUNDING OF THE PARTY AT A POLITICAL RALLY OF HIS SUPPORTERS HELD TODAY AT WARSAW UNIVERSITY.

PRESENT AT THE RALLY WERE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITIZENS MOVEMENT FOR

DEMOCRATIC ACTION, OR ROAD, AND THE FORUM OF THE DEMOCRATIC RIGHT.

ADDRESSING THE RALLY, THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THE UNION OF DEMOCRACY AIMS TO BUILD A "DEMOCRATIC POLAND WHICH IMPLEMENTS A FREE-MARKET ECONOMY AND COOPERATES WITH ITS NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES."

HE BELIEVED THAT THE CURRENT TASK FOR THE UNION IS TO WIN OVER MORE VOTERS TO CREATE CONDITIONS FOR THE PARTY'S VICTORY IN THE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS NEXT SPRING AND TO SPEED UP EFFORTS TO MAKE THE UNION A KEY ELEMENT ON POLAND'S POLITICAL STAGE.

DESPITE HIS CONFLICTS WITH SOLIDARITY LEADER LECH WALESA AND HIS DEFEAT IN THE FIRST ROUND OF VOTING, MAZOWIECKI URGED HIS LOYALISTS TO VOTE FOR WALESA.

"IN THE FACE OF THE IRRESPONSIBILITY THAT MAY ENDANGER POLAND AND EVERYTHING FOR WHICH WE HAVE BEEN STRUGGLING FOR 10 YEARS, WE SHOULD CAST OUR BALLOTS IN FAVOR OF MR. WALESA, " HE SAID.

THE PRIME MINISTER WAS REFERRING TO THE CAMPAIGN OF THE BLACK HORSE STANISLAW TYMINSKI, A WEALTHY CANADIAN POLE, WHO TOOK THE SECOND PLACE IN THE FIRST ROUND OF BALLOTING AND WILL GO INTO THE RUNOFF ELECTION ON DECEMBER 9.

"THIS DOES NOT MEAN AN AGREEMENT WITH HIS VISION OF DEMOCRACY IN POLAND AND HIS STYLE OF ACTION," SAID MAZOWIECKI, WHO WAS WALESA'S CLOSEST ADVISER FOR NEARLY A DECADE BUT GOT INTO BITTER DEBATES WITH THE SOLIDARITY FOUNDER THIS YEAR OVER THE REFORMING PACE, METHODS AND PHASES.

OBSERVERS HERE SAID THAT THE FOUNDING OF THE UNION OF DEMOCRACY INDICATED THE COMPLETE DIVISION BETWEEN MAZOWIECKI AND WALESA AND FURTHER SPLIT OF THE SOLIDARITY. FOLLOWING THE FOUNDING OF THE UNION OF DEMOCRACY, ZBIGNIEW BUJAK, SOLIDARITY LEADER IN WARSAW REGION, ANNOUNCED TODAY HIS RETREAT FROM THE SOLIDARITY.

-30- 2360

#90337h0027 12/03/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DHAKA (DEC. 3) XINHUA - THE BANGLADESH GOVERNMENT HAS APPROVED 308,000 TONS OF WHEAT FOR THE "FOOD FOR WORK" PROGRAM IN THE CURRENT WINTER SEASON TO INCREASE RURAL EMPLOYMENT, ACCORDING TO BANGLADESH TV BROADCAST.

THIS WAS DECIDED HERE AT A MEETING, PRESIDED OVER BY THE MINISTER FOR RELIEF ON SUNDAY, ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE "FOOD FOR WORK" PROGRAM.

ABOUT 40,000 PROJECTS IN CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF RURAL ROADS AND BRIDGES WILL BE IMPLEMENTED WITH THE WHEAT, GENERATING JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE RURAL PEOPLE REMAINING UNEMPLOYED IN THIS WINTER SEASON.

-30- 748
#90337h0040 12/03/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
AMMAN (DEC. 3) XINHUA - ITALY HAS DECIDED TO GIVE JORDAN 30 BILLION LIRAS (ABOUT 26.5 MILLION DOLLARS) IN AID AND SOFT LOANS TO HELP THE KINGDOM COPE WITH THE EFFECT OF THE GULF CRISIS ON ITS ECONOMY.

ACCORDING TO TODAY'S "JORDAN TIMES," ONE THIRD OF THE MONEY WILL BE PROVIDED IN THE FORM OF EMERGENCY FOOD AID, A SECOND THIRD WILL BE USED FOR "OTHER ITEMS" AND THE LAST BATCH WILL BE SOFT LOANS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ITALIAN GOODS.

THE ITALIAN AID IS PART OF THE EFFORT OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY TO HELP ALLEVIATE FINANCIAL WOES OF COUNTRIES HIT HARD BY THE GULF CRISIS.

THE LATEST ITALIAN PLEDGE RAISED THE TOTAL FOREIGN AID PROMISED TO JORDAN TO 473.5 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS. OTHER CONTRIBUTORS INCLUDED JAPAN, GERMANY, CANADA FRANCE AND NETHERLANDS.

HOWEVER, NONE OF THE PROMISES HAS BEEN MATERIALIZED.

-30- 973
#90337h0057 12/03/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
MANILA (DEC. 3) XINHUA - RENATO DE VILLA, CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP), LEFT HERE TODAY TO ATTEND A CONFERENCE OF MILITARY GENERALS IN BANGKOK, THAILAND, AFP SPOKESMAN COL. JUANITO RIMANDO SAID HERE TODAY.

HE WILL THEN PROCEED TO SINGAPORE FOR A VISIT.

GENERAL RODOLFO BIAZON, DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF OF AFP, WAS NAMED AFP ACTING CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF.

RENATO DE VILLA WILL RETURN BACK ON DECEMBER 9.

-30- 617
#90337h0058 12/03/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
CAIRO (DEC. 3) XINHUA - EMPLOYEES OF ISRAELI BANKS, STOCK EXCHANGE AND INSURANCE COMPANIES TODAY JOINED SOME 500,000 WORKERS IN A GENERAL STRIKE IN A DISPUTE WITH THE GOVERNMENT OVER TAX HIKES AND MINIMUM WAGE, REPORTS FROM TEL AVIV SAID.

THE STRIKE, WHICH STARTED SUNDAY, IDLED AIRPORTS, CURTAILED RADIO BROADCAST AND SHUT SCHOOLS, OFFICES AND CLINICS.

THE REPORTS SAID THAT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE FINANCE MINISTRY REPRESENTATIVES AND THE TRADE UNIONS ENDED THIS MORNING WITHOUT AN AGREEMENT.

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#90337h0064 12/03/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
DAR ES SALAAM (DEC. 3) XINHUA - THE STATE-OWNED AIR TANZANIA CORPORATION (ATC) WILL ESTABLISH A SUBSIDIARY COMPANY WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN AN EFFORT TO IMPROVE ITS POOR SERVICE.

A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAMME HAS BEEN ADOPTED BY THE ATC TO IMPROVE ITS POOR SERVICE WHICH HAS BEEN UNDER ATTACK FOR THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, THE TANZANIA NEWS AGENCY REPORTED TODAY.

UNDER THE PROGRAMME, THE ATC WILL ESTABLISH A SUBSIDIARY CATERING COMPANY WITH TWO PRIVATE COMPANIES TO SERVICE ITS AGING FLEET WHICH HAS CAUSED A FREQUENT DELAY OF FLIGHTS.

THE ATC WILL REPLACE ITS AGING FLEET OF BOEING 737 AND FORKER- FRIENDSHIP-27 WITH OTHER PLANES TO OFFER MORE FLIGHT SERVICE ESPECIALLY TO WINDHOCK, NAMIBIA.

THE ATC WILL ALSO TAKE MEASURES TO CUT SPENDING, IMPROVE SERVICES AND RAISE ITS EFFECIENCY.

-30- 988
#90337h0090 12/03/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
DALIAN (DEC. 3) XINHUA - THE 95,000-TON OIL TANKER "WILOMI EIRA," WHICH CHINA DESIGNED AND MANUFACTURED FOR EXPORT, WAS LAUNCHED HERE TODAY.

LIANG HAOXIN, ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE NEW DALIAN SHIPYARD, SAID THAT WITH A LENGTH OF 240.7 METERS, A WIDTH OF 41.2 METERS AND A DEPTH OF 21 METERS, THE TANKER IS DESIGNED FOR TRANSPORTING REFINED OIL. IT IS AN INTERNATIONALLY ADVANCED LARGE TANKER WITH A SHALLOW DRAFT. IT IS DESIGNED FOR A CREW OF 30 MEMBERS.

STATE COUNCILLOR WANG BINGQIAN WAS PRESENT AT THE NEW DALIAN SHIPYARD FOR THE LAUNCHING CEREMONY.

THE OIL TANKER WAS ORDERED BY ANDERS WILHELMSEN CO. OF NORWAY. THE NORWEGIAN COMPANY IS SATISFIED WITH THE QUALITY AND FUNCTIONS OF THE TANKER. THIS YEAR, IT SIGNED CONTRACTS WHICH CALL FOR TWO SIMILAR TANKERS TO BE BUILT BY THE CHINESE MANUFACTURERS.

-30- 975
#90337h0100 12/03/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 3) XINHUA - LEONID ZAMYATIN, THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO BRITAIN, HAS APPEALED TO THE BRITISH PUBLIC FOR FINANCIAL RATHER THAN FOOD AID TO HELP HIS COUNTRY OVERCOME SHORTAGES THIS WINTER.

FOOD RATIONING HAS BEEN REPORTEDLY IMPOSED IN LENINGRAD AND OTHER SOVIET CITIES, FIR THE FIRST TIME SINCE THE SECOND WORLD WAR.

WRITING IN A LETTER PUBLISHED IN THE TIMES NEWSPAPER TODAY, THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR SAID THAT FOOD PARCELS WERE POURING INTO HIS EMBASSY AND A SPECIAL CHARITY FUND HAD BEEN SET UP FOR CASH DONATIONS.

"THERE ARE HARDLY ANY WORDS THAT CAN REFLECT TRULY THE DEPTH OF OUR APPRECIATION AND GRATITUDE FOR THIS NEW SHOW OF HUMAN WARMTH BETWEEN OUR TWO NATIONS," ZAMYATIN SAID.

HE SAID THAT THE DISRUPTION OF FOOD SUPPLIES TO SOVIET CITIES WAS "A PRICE THE SOVIET UNION IS PAYING FOR THE DIFFICULT TRANSITION TO A MARKET-ORIENTED ECONOMY."

THE AMBASSADOR PLEDGED TO SPEND CASH DONATIONS ON FOOD AND MEDICINE IN BRITAIN FOR DISTRIBUTION TO THE SOVIET UNION'S "LEAST PROTECTED ELEMENTS OF SOCIETY - OLD AND SICK, YOUNG AND DISADVANTAGED."

"IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE INTERESTS OF THOSE IN NEED IN MOSCOW AND LENINGRAD WOULD BE BEST SERVED THROUGH FINANCIAL AID," HE ADDED.

A SPOKESMAN AT THE SOVIET EMBASSY SAID TODAY THAT TINNED FOODS WERE BEING SENT IN BY INDIVIDUALS, FIRMS AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS, ADDING THAT A SOVIET CARGO PLANE IS EXPECTED TO LEAVE BRITAIN THIS WEEK WITH ABOUT THREE TONS OF CANNED FOOD ON BOARD.

-30- 1639

#90337h0110 12/03/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HARARE (DEC. 3) XINHUA - A NINE-DAY AFRICA TELECOMMU- NICATIONS '90 EXHIBITION AND FORUM OPENED HERE TODAY.

THE EXHIBITION, JOINTLY ORGANIZED BY THE GENEVA-BASED TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION AND THE ZIMBABWE POSTS AND TELECOMMU- NICATIONS CORPORATION, ATTRACTED 124 COMPANIES FROM 24 COUNTRIES.

DURING THE EXHIBITION, AN AFRICAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS DE- VELOPMENT CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD TO DISCUSS WAYS TO DEVELOP TELECOMMUNICATIONS IN AFRICA.

THE CONFERENCE AND FORUM ARE DUE TO BE OFFICIALLY OPENED BY ZIMBABWEAN PRESIDENT ROBERT MUGABE TOMORROW.

THE EVENT IS BEING ATTENDED BY ABOUT 800 DELEGATES FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES INCLUDING ABOUT 30 MINISTERS.

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LAGOS (DEC. 3) XINHUA - A 20-MAN SOVIET DELEGATION HAS ARRIVED HERE TO HOLD TALKS WITH THE NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT ON DEBT REPAYMENT.

THE DELEGATION WHICH ARRIVED HERE LAST SATURDAY WILL DISCUSS WITH THEIR NIGERIAN COUNTERPARTS THE REPAYMENT OF 5.6 BILLION NAIRA (ABOUT 651 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS AT THE CURRENT EXCHANGE RATE) NIGERIA OWES TO THE SOVIET UNION. THE MONEY WAS OWED IN BUILDING THE AJAOKUTA STEEL PROJECT.

SOURCES HERE SAID THAT THE SOVIET DELEGATION MADE UP OF MINISTER OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS MR. KOTOUSHEV, MINISTER OF METALLURGY MR. S.V. KOLPAKOV AND MINISTER OF ERECTION AND SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION MR. A.K. MIKHALCHENKO WILL ALSO REVIEW THE PROGRESS OF THE MULTI-BILLION MAIRA STEEL PROJECT IN NI- GERIA.

CRUCIAL TALKS ARE SCHEDULED FOR TODAY, WHICH WILL BE THE THIRD ROUND IN A SERIES OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUN- TRIES OVER THE DEBT.

EARLIER INDICATIONS SHOWED THAT THE SOVIET CONTRACTOR MIGHT STOP WORK ON THE AJAOKUTA STEEL PLANT IF NIGERIA FAILS TO RE- DEEM THE DEBT.

IT IS LEARNT THAT NIGERIA PLANS TO IMPORT ABOUT 200,000 TONS OF BILLETS FROM THE SOVIET UNION LATER THIS YEAR AS RAW MATERIALS FOR THE COMPLETED ROLLING MILLS IN THE PLANT.

THE AJAOKUTA PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN TWO YEARS.

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TOKYO (DEC. 3) KYODO - JAPAN'S DOMESTIC SALES OF NEW CARS, TRUCKS, AND BUSES IN NOVEMBER POSTED THE FIRST YEAR-ON-YEAR DROP IN 21 MONTHS, IN THE FIRST SIGN THAT THE COUNTRY'S BOOMING AUTO MARKET MAY BE SLOWING DOWN, AN INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION SAID MONDAY.

THE JAPAN AUTOMOBILE DEALERS' ASSOCIATION SAID NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS IN THE MONTH FELL 2.7 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 499,563 VEHICLES, THE FIRST DECLINE SINCE FEBRUARY 1989, WHEN POTENTIAL BUYERS DELAYED THEIR PURCHASES PRIOR TO THE INTRODUCTION OF THE CONSUMPTION TAX IN APRIL IN PLACE OF THE HIGHER COMMODITY TAX.

THE ASSOCIATION ATTRIBUTED THE DOWNTURN TO HIGHER INTEREST RATES ON CAR LOANS, SHORTAGES OF PARKING LOTS, AND UNCERTAINTY OVER THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS, WHICH COMBINED TO DEPRESS BUYING INTEREST.

THE POOR SALES IN THE LATEST REPORTING MONTH BROUGHT TO ABOUT 5.51 MILLION VEHICLES CUMULATIVE SALES FROM JANUARY TO NOVEMBER, MAKING IT DIFFICULT FOR ANNUAL SALES TO TOP THE TARGETED 6 MILLION MARK, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

AN OFFICIAL AT A MAJOR AUTOMAKER SAID, "IT WILL BE ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO ACHIEVE THE TARGET, UNLESS SALES IN DECEMBER MANAGE A CONSIDERABLE IMPROVEMENT."

THE AUTO INDUSTRY HAD EXPECTED SALES TO BREACH THE SIX MILLION VEHICLE LINE THIS YEAR, COMPARED WITH 5.56 MILLION VEHICLES POSTED IN 1989.

SALES OF SMALL CARS, WHICH ACCOUNTED FOR ABOUT 70 PERCENT OF TOTAL SALES, DROPPED 11.6 PERCENT TO 304,699 VEHICLES, THE FIRST DOUBLE-DIGIT DECLINE SINCE JULY 1984.

IN CONTRAST, SALES OF LARGER PASSENGER CARS -- THOSE WITH 2,001 CC OR LARGER ENGINES -- WERE ALMOST UNHURT, JUMPING 60.1 PERCENT TO 51,700 VEHICLES.

SALES OF TRUCKS ROSE 4.7 PERCENT TO 140,277 VEHICLES, AND THOSE OF BUSES SOARED 39.5 PERCENT TO 1,887.

MITSUBISHI MOTORS CORP., MAZDA MOTOR CORP., ISUZU MOTORS LTD., AND HINO MOTORS LTD. POSTED GAINS IN SALES, WHILE SEVEN COMPANIES, INCLUDING HONDA MOTOR CO., WERE ON THE MINUS SIDE.

SALES OF IMPORTED AUTOMOBILES REGISTERED AN 8.9 PERCENT YEAR-ON-YEAR INCREASE IN NOVEMBER TO 16,186 UNITS.

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OSAKA (DEC. 3) KYODO - RINKAI CEMENT CO., A CEMENT IMPORTER, SAID MONDAY IT WILL SET UP A CEMENT FACTORY IN NORTH KOREA TO EXPORT THE COMMODITY TO JAPAN.

A FORMAL CONTRACT WITH NORTH KOREAN AUTHORITIES WILL BE SIGNED IN EARLY JANUARY, THE COMPANY SAID.

RINKAI IS THE FIRST JAPANESE COMPANY TO OPEN SHOP IN NORTH KOREA AND FOLLOWS RECENT MOVES TOWARD NORMALIZING DIPLOMATIC TIES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

THE FACTORY WILL BE BUILT IN HAEJU AND PRODUCE 1.5 MILLION TONS OF CEMENT PER YEAR FROM 1992, THE COMPANY SAID.

PRODUCTION FACILITIES WILL BE BROUGHT FROM JAPAN. TOTAL COST OF THE PROJECT WILL BE ABOUT 25 BILLION YEN, IT SAID.

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TOKYO (DEC. 3) KYODO - RIDING ON THE WAVE OF THE RECENT BEAUJOLAIS NOUVEAU

FEVER IN JAPAN, IMPORTED WINES ARE EXPECTED TO EDGE OUT DOMESTIC WINES IN SALES THIS YEAR, INDUSTRY ANALYSTS SAID MONDAY.

SALES OF IMPORTED WINES, WHICH HAVE ENJOYED 35-55 PERCENT GROWTH OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS, WILL JUMP ANOTHER 14 PERCENT TO 70,500 KILOLITERS THIS YEAR, COMPARED WITH 70,000 KILOLITERS FOR DOMESTIC WINES, ASAHI BREWERIES LTD. SAID.

"IMPORTED WINES WILL BE THE PACE-SETTER OF THE FUTURE WINE MARKET HERE," A ASAHI BREWERIES OFFICIAL SAID.

ITALIAN WINES ARE FARING ESPECIALLY WELL, POSTING A 40 PERCENT INCREASE IN THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF THIS YEAR.

THE ANALYSTS SAID THE IMPORT WINE FERVOR WILL NOT EASILY FIZZLE OUT, AS JAPANESE CONSUMERS ARE BECOMING MORE QUALITY-CONSCIOUS.

SUNTORY LTD., A LEADING LIQUOR MANUFACTURER, EXPECTS IMPORTED WINES TO TAKE MORE THAN 60 PERCENT OF JAPAN'S WINE MARKET IN FIVE YEARS.

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MANILA (DEC. 3) KYODO - FILIPINO AND AMERICAN NEGOTIATORS WILL RESUME TALKS TUESDAY ON THE FUTURE OF U.S MILITARY BASES IN THE PHILIPPINES AFTER THE PRESENT TREATY EXPIRES NEXT SEPTEMBER.

FOREIGN SECRETARY RAUL MANGLAPUS AND U.S. CHIEF NEGOTIATOR RICHARD ARMITAGE WILL MEET "ONE-ON-ONE" TO KICK OFF THE THIRD ROUND OF THE TALKS.

"WE'RE VERY OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE PROGRESS WHICH HAS BEEN ACHIEVED," U.S. EMBASSY SPOKESMAN STANLEY SCHRAGER TOLD REPORTERS.

COMMITTEE SOURCES SAID THE ISSUE WOULD HAVE BEEN WRAPPED UP LAST SATURDAY IN CONTINUING WORKING-LEVEL TECHNICAL TALKS IF NOT FOR "HEATED DISCUSSIONS" ON CONTINUED U.S. ACCESS TO THE BASES AFTER THE PRESENT TREATY EXPIRES.

THE U.S. HAS APPARENTLY AGREED TO WITHDRAW ITS FORCES FROM SUBIC NAVAL BASE, 80 KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF MANILA, BUT THE TWO SIDES ARE STILL DISCUSSING HOW LONG THE WITHDRAWAL WILL TAKE.

WASHINGTON HAS ALREADY ANNOUNCED IT WILL WITHDRAW COMBAT TROOPS FROM CLARK AIR BASE, IN ANGELES CITY, BUT WOULD LIKE TO RETAIN LANDING RIGHTS FOR AN UNDETERMINED PERIOD AND ACCESS TO A MAJOR AIR TRAINING FACILITY.

THE TWO SIDES ARE ALSO EXPECTED TO DISCUSS COMPENSATION, YET TO BE TOUCHED UPON IN THE TALKS, WHICH BEGAN IN MAY.

THE U.S. HAS PLEDGED TO PAY 480 MILLION DOLLARS ANNUALLY IN THE LAST TWO YEARS

OF THE CURRENT TREATY FOR USE OF THE BASES.

ANY AGREEMENT WILL HAVE TO PASS THE 23-MEMBER PHILIPPINE SENATE, WHERE OPPOSITION TO THE BASES IS STRONG.

MEANWHILE, U.S. MILITARY AUTHORITIES ON SATURDAY IMPOSED A CURFEW FOR U.S. SERVICEMEN AND RESTRICTED TRAVEL OUTSIDE CLARK AND THREE OTHER U.S. FACILITIES BECAUSE OF INCREASED COMMUNIST REBEL THREATS DUE TO THE UPCOMING TALKS.

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TOKYO (OCT. 3) KYODO - MAZDA MOTOR CORP. SAID MONDAY IT HAS BEGUN SELLING A NEW LOCALLY PRODUCED PASSENGER CAR, THE MR90, IN INDONESIA.

THE ADDITION OF THE REAR-WHEEL DRIVE, FIVE PASSENGER, 1415 CC VEHICLE TO MAZDA'S TWO EXISTING MODELS IN INDONESIA SHOULD HELP THE AUTOMAKER WIN A LEADING POSITION IN THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN COUNTRY'S FAST-EXPANDING PASSENGER CAR MARKET, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

CAR SALES IN INDONESIA ROSE 53 PERCENT TO ABOUT 221,000 VEHICLES IN THE JANUARY TO OCTOBER PERIOD OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THEY EXPECT FURTHER EXPANSION IN THE COUNTRY'S MARKETPLACE, WHERE THE COMPANY ALSO SELLS ITS FRONT-WHEEL DRIVE MAZDA 323 AND 626.

MAZDA HAS ACHIEVED NEARLY 75 PERCENT LOCAL CONTENT IN THE MANUFACTURING PROCESS OF THE NEW FIVE-DOOR MR90 HATCHBACK AT ITS ENGINE AND BODY MANUFACTURING PLANT IN A SUBURB OF JAKARTA, SET UP IN JULY 1989.

THE COMPANY EXPECTS TO SELL 1,500 VEHICLES PER MONTH AT A PRICE OF 22 MILLION RUPIAH, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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OSAKA (DEC. 3) KYODO - SHARP CORP. SAID MONDAY IT IS RECALLING 43,094 DEFECTIVE WASHER-DRIERS THAT COULD POSE A FIRE HAZARD.

OFFICIALS SAID THE ES-XI WASHER-DRIERS, PRODUCED BETWEEN MARCH 1987 AND SEPTEMBER 1988, MAY SMOKE OR CATCH ON FIRE BECAUSE OF A DEFECTIVE CONNECTOR.

IN THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, THREE OF THE WASHER-DRIERS HAVE IGNITED -- ONE EACH IN KYOTO, AICHI, AND TOKYO. NO ONE WAS INJURED IN ANY OF THE INCIDENTS.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE POWER CIRCUIT BOARD AND THE CONNECTOR OF THE MACHINES WILL BE REPLACED WITH A NEW, DIRECTLY SOLDERED CIRCUIT BOARD.

THERE IS NO PROBLEM WITH WASHER-DRIERS OF THE SAME MODEL MANUFACTURED SINCE OCTOBER 1988, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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TOKYO (DEC. 3) KYODO - AN AFFILIATE OF TOYAMA CHEMICAL CO., A MEDIUM-SCALE DRUG FIRM, ON MONDAY FILED FOR COURT PROTECTION FROM ITS CREDITORS IN THE THIRD-LARGEST BANKRUPTCY CASE THIS YEAR, TWO CREDIT RESEARCH AGENCIES SAID.

BOTH BLAMED THE DOWNFALL OF TOHO CHEMICAL CO. ON HEAVY INTEREST BURDENS INCURRED THROUGH REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS.

TOKYO SHOKO RESEARCH LTD. ESTIMATES LIABILITIES LEFT BY THE BANKRUPT FIRM AT SOME 95 BILLION YEN. ANOTHER RESEARCH AGENCY, TEIKOKU DATABANK LTD. PUTS THE FIGURE AT 92 BILLION YEN.

ACCORDING TO THE RESEARCH AGENCIES, TOHO CHEMICAL'S FINANCIAL LIABILITY IS THE THIRD LARGEST FOR A COMPANY GOING BUST THIS YEAR.

TOHO CHEMICAL REPORTEDLY HAD BEGUN EXPANDING INTO REAL ESTATE IN 1987 AMID A BOOMING REAL ESTATE MARKET, WITH NEARLY 90 PERCENT OF ITS TOTAL SALES RESULTING FROM REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

BUT THE FIRM'S RECENT INABILITY TO RESELL PROPERTIES IT BOUGHT AT HIGH PRICES FORCED IT TO BORROW HEAVILY TO COVER REAL ESTATE DEBTS, THEY SAID.

A SPOKESMAN FOR TOYAMA CHEMICAL, THE LARGEST SHAREHOLDER IN TOHO, SAID HIS COMPANY HAS NOT BEEN CONDUCTING BUSINESS WITH THE BANKRUPT CONCERN.

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SEOUL (DEC. 3) KYODO - SOUTH KOREAN PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO WILL MAKE AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION DECEMBER 13-16, ACCORDING TO SOUTH KOREAN NEWSPAPERS.

EARLY TUESDAY EDITIONS SAID SOUTH KOREA AND THE SOVIET UNION WILL SIMULTANEOUSLY ANNOUNCE ROH'S VISIT IN THE DAY.

THE TWO COUNTRIES ESTABLISHED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS ON SEPTEMBER 30. ROH WILL MEET SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV TO DISCUSS WAYS TO DEVELOP SEOUL-MOSCOW RELATIONS, THE SITUATION ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA, AND PEACE AND STABILITY IN NORTHEAST ASIA.

ROH WILL BE ACCOMPANIED TO THE SOVIET UNION BY FOREIGN MINISTER CHOI HO JOONG AND TWO OTHER MINISTERS TO THE SOVIET UNION, THE NEWSPAPERS SAID.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 3) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

The NIKKEI closes up sharply, gaining 271.36, or 1.2% on optimistic news on the Middle East. ... In midday trading, the FTSE was trading solidly higher, up 17.2 points. ... The dollar is up in early morning trading.

AT&T is trying to buy NCR CORP. for $6 billion, but NCR is balking. free trade zone for the Americas. ... "The New York Times" reports PAINEWEBBER will dismiss as many as 30 of its 163 investment bankers.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

Delegates from 107 nations begin five days of negotiations today in an effort to overhaul the world trade system. ... CHRYSLER says it will stop reporting 10-day car and truck sales. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT releases new home sales figures for October tomorrow and manufacturers' shipments, inventories and orders on Wednesday. ... Also Wednesday, the LABOR DEPARTMENT issues third-quarter productivity and cost revisions. ... Major retailers report on November sales Thursday. ... The LABOR DEPARTMENT issues November unemployment statistics on Friday and the FEDERAL RESERVE reports on consumer credit.

FROM THE BULLS:

"There's been a lot of spook to the market because of this [Mideast situation] " says JOHN MANLEY at SMITH BARNEY. "Even if it's not settled peacefully, the market and the economy are at stages where they almost have to get better." He says 2800 on the Dow is "not asking too much from these levels." ("USA Today", 12/3)

"Although the market reacted positively to the Mideast news, I still think it's in a holding pattern," says JACK WALKER BELLINGHAM, a money manager who runs his own firm in San Francisco. "My feeling is the market has discounted the Middle East crisis." Bellingham, who manages $40 million, is cautiously bullish. He believes there is not much on the downside and a potential for 3000 in the Dow. ("Investor's Daily", 12/3)

FROM THE BEARS:

"Earlier this year, I thought we would see the economy hit bottom sometime between September and December and the stock market go through the kind of climactic blowoff that would correspond with the economy's low," says BRETT BRUBAKER, a portfolio manager at ABRAHAM & SONS. "But it's clear now that the

economy is going to continue going down and the stock market hasn't taken that knockout punch yet." (WSJ, 12/3)

STOCK MARKET:

"I tend to think we are in a bear market rally at this particular time," says ELIZABETH DATER. "Having said that, I think there are terrific opportunities. I think we have borrowed the growth of the '90s in the '80s. The question is how much and how long it will take to work through it. ... Consumers and businesses at least now are in a bunker mentality. We're starting to see a process of reliquification taking place. I would expect to see the savings rate go dramatically higher. All of the signs point to long-term significantly lower interest rates, which will be very positive for equities." ("Wall Street Week", 11/30)

"The vigor with which the Federal Reserve moved to lower rates to stimulate a stalling economy clearly inspired the stock market [Friday]," says HUGH JOHNSON at FIRST ALBANY. ("USA Today", 12/3)

"I'm relatively neutral," says MARTIN ZWEIG. "Short-term, I think the market is going to go higher. Long-term, I'm very skeptical and I think the market could go a lot lower later on." He says most of his indicators are positive, "but you have this monster out there. If the debt unwinds, it could turn the recession into something pretty ugly. And if goes on for long enough, the market will go down." ("Wall Street Week", 11/30)

The nation's money managers are neutral on the stock market in the short term, but decidedly bullish over the longer haul, according to "Barron's" latest quarterly survey. One a scale of 0 to 10, the response from more than 180 professionals surveyed worked out to a 5.1 over the next three months, a somewhat bullish 6.7 over the next year and a strongly bullish 8.7 over the next two years. The consensus prediction is that the Dow will be at 2660 on New Year's Day, bottom around 2250 in March and then climb to 2900 by the end of 1991. ("Barron's", 12/3)

MARTIN SASS, president of M.D. SASS INVESTORS SERVICE, says he has a "positive outlook" on the market but emphasizes that it is "a long- term perspective. I would much rather buy on weakness than chase strength like we had [Friday]. I think what we're seeing is a period where we're starting to see some resolution to the crisis atmosphere that has caused sort of a white-knuckle period in which the market dropped from 3000 to 2360." He now sees a time frame for resolving the Middle East crisis and says problems with the economy, domestic interest rates and the "global credit crunch" are also starting to move toward a resolution." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/30)

JACK SOLOMON at BEAR STEARNS says falling oil prices were "really like having manna from heaven" as far as the stock market was concerned Friday. He says the "puncturing" of the oil price bubble "will help the banking system and

alleviate fears ... of a credit crunch." MICHAEL METZ at OPPENHEIMER says: "On a short-term trading basis, the variable that short-term traders fix themselves on every day is oil prices. It's sort of the pulse of whether there's going to be a war or not." ("The Washington Post" 12/1)

"The main point is that the bad news on earnings is still ahead of us and expectations are too high," says TOM DOERFLINGER at PAINEWEBBER. "The worst is yet to come." (NYT, 12/2)

STOCK TIPS:

Retail analyst JOSEPH ELLIS at GOLDMAN, SACHS looks for "a poor Christmas, perhaps the worst since the 1982 recession" for sales. Despite the overall hard times for retailers, he continues to like WAL-MART, LIMITED, GAP, DAYTON-HUDSON, HOME DEPOT, TOYS 'R' US. "These are the quality growth stocks in the industry," he says. ("Wall Street Week", 11/30)

JACK WALKER BELLINGHAM, a money manager who runs his own firm in San Francisco is 35% invested in stocks, 45% in bonds and 20% in cash. He is wary that many individual stocks are getting hurt by earnings disappointments, but he currently likes PEPSICO INC., ORACLE SYSTEMS CORP. and McCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS INC. ("Investor's Daily", 12/3)

ALUMINUM CO. OF AMERICA, AMAX INC., PACCAR INC., COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE CORP. and PHELPS DODGE are the favorite year-end "buy" stocks of MICHAEL METZ at OPPENHEIMER. ("The Washington Post" 12/2)

GENETECH stock is recommended by VIREN MEHTA, an analyst with MEHTA & ISALY WORLDWIDE PHARMACEUTICAL RESEARCH. But he says the company should answer certain questions at a Dec. 12 meeting for analysts. "Having done this transaction [to sell controlling interest to ROCHE] they now need to substantiate to the public that they have things in their pipeline." He considers shares attractive below 31 because "the company's science remains among the best and there is the possibility that Roche would want to buy them out." Roche has until Dec. 31 to get Genetech shares at 38. After that, the price goes to 39, rising to 60 by June 30, 1995. (NYT, 12/3)

Toy analyst SEAN McGOWAN at GERARD KLAUER MATTISON has turned bearish on the Japanese-made NINTENDO video game craze and says several U.S. toy companies should benefit from shifting tastes. His recommended stocks now are HASBORO, MATTEL, TONKA and TOYS 'R' US. ("Barron's", 12/3)

"The stock market has priced all the industrial, manufacturing and capital goods companies like we're going to have a 1980s-style recession that will wipe out their results," says JOHN KNAPP, president of SECURITIES COUNSELORS OF IOWA. But he does not expect that to happen and recommends such well-known companies as ALUMINUM CO. OF AMERICA, ALCAN and PHELPS DODGE in metals, MORRISON KNUDSEN in engineering and construction, CATERPILLAR and JOHN DEERE

in equipment and CSX CORP. and NORFOLK SOUTHERN railroads. (WSJ, 12/3)

Most frequently mentioned favorite stocks of the 180 money managers in "Barron's" latest quarterly survey are IBM, PEPSICO, MCI and PHILIP MORRIS. Stocks most mentioned as "short" candidates are BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT, COCA-COLA, DISNEY, GENERAL ELECTRIC, MICROSOFT and PHILIP MORRIS. ("Barron's" 12/3)

MCI COMMUNICATIONS is featured in the "Heard on the Street" column in "The Wall Street Journal" this morning and the telephone stock gets less-than-rave reviews from several analysts. "There's real resistance to [the stock] getting back above 20," says ALAN BOND at W.R. LAZARD. "I hate to use the term 'dead in the water,' but it certainly doesn't seem like there's a lot of enthusiasm. ... the temptation is to double up at these depressed levels ... but whether I feel comfortable enough to buy more I'm not sure." The stock closed Friday at 19 7/8. WOLODYMYR WRONSKYJ at DREYFUS says he would not sell at that price, but "would not be aggressive in buying more." On the other hand GEORGE VANDERHEIDEN, manager of FIDELITY DESTINY FUND, sold some stock before it started a November plunge from over 30 and again at 24. But when it got down to 19, he decided "this is crazy" and bought more. (WSJ, 12/3)

ADAPTEC INC., a maker of chips, boards and computer software used to improve communications links between personal computers and their associated peripherals, is the subject of a glowing review this week in "Barron's." The article notes that earnings are expected to be up sharply for the third straight year. "Over the longer pull, the company's outlook is enhanced by a variety of new products, including new lines of controllers for both laser printers and high-capacity disk drives," the article says. "Adaptec is in good shape. It has over $52 million in the till and almost no debt." ("Barron's", 12/3)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"When the man comes down from Mount Olympus and says we're in a meaningful downturn, that's significant," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN JR. at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "It clears up all doubt about where the Fed stands." His comment was on FED CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN's testimony before Congress last week. (NYT, 12/2)

"The economic numbers will reinforce the concept that rates will come down," says DONALD FINE at CHASE MANHATTAN BANK. "November is shaping up as being

equally as weak as October was." GARY SCHLOSSBERG at WELLS FARGO BANK says the unemployment numbers due out Friday "will be weak enough to encourage the Fed to ease one more time before the year is out." (NYT, 11/3)

The Fed "appears to be increasingly generous in its reserve operations," says ROBERT DiCLEMENTE, a senior economist at SALOMON BROTHERS INC. It apparently is acting because "the typical year-end hike in financing rates associated with window dressing operations has started earlier than usual and seems to be more intense." ("Investor's Daily", 12/3)

JIM GRANT says "goings on in the money market ... constitute some evidence that there might be developing a worldwide shortage of what the economists call liquidity and what the rest of us know as cash.

"What matters is not the absolute level of corporate debt, but who has the debt and whether they have the capacity to service it," says STEPHEN ROACH, chief economist at MORGAN STANLEY. "Public utilities, business services, food, tobacco and petroleum companies ... account for the bulk of the great debt wave of the 80's and their cash flow will be sufficient to afford that kind of debt expansion. Even in a recession, people aren't going to stop eating, after all." (NYT, 12/2)

"There's a lot of new money coming into the bond market," says CHARLES LIEBERMAN at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER SECURITIES. He says yields on long-term Treasury bonds could fall below 8% by the spring. The yield closed Friday at 8.39%. (WSJ, 12/3)

THE ECONOMY:

"Everyday we're bombarded out here by TV and newspapers telling us that times are awful," says JOHN KNAPP, president of SECURITIES COUNSELORS OF IOWA. "But when you really look at the regional composition of gross national product, you find that the regions that were weak in the mid-80s, when the dollar was strong, are doing very nicely. The Northeast, which waltzed through the tough times then, is where the pain is now." (WSJ, 12/3)

"The coincident indicators - industrial production, personal income, employment and manufacturing trade sales - have been falling for the past four months by ever-larger amounts," says WILLIAM MacREYNOLDS, director of forecasting for the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. "Instead of foretelling a recession that is a few months away, those indicators show that it already has started." ("Investor's Daily", 12/3)

"It looks like the leading indicators are catching up with the economy," says ROBERT DEDERICK, economist at NORTHERN TRUST CO. in Chicago. ("The Washington Post", 12/1)

MICKEY LEVY, chief economist at CRT GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, is looking for "a

slow and gradual recession" that will prove "much healthier over the long run" than the traditional kind that he calls "V-shaped recessions" because the Fed slams on the brakes to cool an overheated economy and then hits the gas pedal after a recession develops. "Thus, the entrance into and exit from recent recessions were quite dramatic. But this time is distinctively different." He says manufacturing may not be hit as hard as usual, but banks and financial service companies will suffer more than usual. (NYT, 12/2)

"What's being camouflaged by the Mideast is the impact of the recession on the economy," says JACK WALKER BELLINGHAM, a money manager who runs his own firm in San Francisco. "I think the president used strong words when he said the economy is weak. My feeling is we could be in a recession for 12 months." ("Investor's Daily", 12/3)

"I'm probably more negative than most people on the intermediate-term outlook [but] one of the things I find very encouraging in this downturn is that it seems very normal," says JOSEPH ELLIS at GOLDMAN, SACHS. "It appears to be to be a normal economic downturn accompanied by a normal bear market. I don't see this as something exceptional. It's a normal cyclical event." ("Wall Street Week", 11/30)

A peaceful solution in the Mideast "could go a long way to making whatever recession we have a lot milder," says MARIA RAMIREZ, head of MARIA RAMIREZ CAPITAL CONSULTANTS. "We've had nothing but bad news. ... We deserve some good news and here it is." MICHAEL ENGLUND, economist at MMS INTERNATIONAL, says of the latest Mideast developments. "It would be up, up and away for stocks," says AL GOLDMAN at A.G. EDWARDS & SONS. "We had a glimmer of that Friday." ("USA Today", 12/3)

BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC" says the diplomatic overtures launched by PRESIDENT BUSH will have a positive economic impact if people feel confident it will avert war. "People will feel good," he says. "The same thing happened when [the Soviet Union] tried to put missiles on Cuba and John F. Kennedy made [them] blink first - as the saying goes. After that happened, there was a surge in consumer spending. ... Consumers just felt good. ... In this case there would be more reason to feel better than there was in the case of the Cuban missile crisis simply because the price of oil probably really would go down. ... I have no idea whether we are on the road to peace or not. But if you believe we are ... then you can make a case that it definitely has a positive economic effect." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 11/30)

IN WASHINGTON:

TREASURY SECRETARY NICHOLAS BRADY says it is time to break down barriers between banks and brokers and that "securities firms and banks should be free to affiliate if they choose to do so." In another speech to the SECURITIES INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION by a high Washington official, SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION CHAIRMAN RICHARD BREEDEN says U.S. corporations that are now

permitted to own securities firms also should be allowed to own banks. ("The Washington Post" 12/1)

Concerned that the domestic airline industry is being dominated by a few powerful companies, the BUSH ADMINISTRATION is considering whether to relax the prohibition against foreign airlines owning more than 25% of a U.S. airline, "The Washington Post" reports in its Sunday business section. ("The Washington Post", 12/2)

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#90337p0002 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

RAMAT-GAN, ISRAEL (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Istec Industries & Technologies Ltd. (NASDAQ: ISTUF, ISTEF, ISTWF) today announced that the annual general meeting of Istec will be held on Dec. 11 at 10 a.m. at company headquarters, 1 Jabotinsky St., Ramat-Gan, Israel.

The agenda of the meeting will be: -- Discussion and acceptance of the audited accounts of the company for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989.

-- Election of directors to the board of directors of the company. -- Appointment of auditors of the company. -- Any other business. Shareholders unable to attend may nominate a representative to attend and vote on their behalf. A proxy form for the nomination of such representative may be obtained from American Stock Transfer Company, 40 Wall St., New York, N.Y., 10005. Such form, to be effective, must reach the company's counsel, Summit Rovins & Feldesman, 445 Park Ave., New York, N.Y., 10022, not later than 12 hours prior to the hour set for the meeting.

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Istec Industries & Technologies

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#90337p0003 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Due to the accuracy and performance of the upper stage booster rocket that launched the Ulysses spacecraft last month, researchers stand to gain much more information about the sun than originally envisioned, Boeing Aerospace & Electronics said today.

After deployment from the shuttle Discovery, Ulysses was launched by a three-stage booster rocket provided by the Boeing Defense & Space Group. That launch was so accurate, that 10 days after launch, Ulysses was able to make a scheduled course adjustment using just 18 pounds of fuel instead of the planned 36.

As a result, Ulysses has enough fuel remaining to extend its mission and conduct science research during a second orbit of the sun. Original mission

planning calls for the conduct of science on just one orbit of the sun.

Ulysses was launched on its trajectory to solar polar orbit by a unique, three-stage booster vehicle combining a two-stage Inertial Upper Stage (IUS) with the single-motor Payload Assist Module-S (PAM-S).

The IUS is built for the U.S. Air Force and NASA by Boeing's Aerospace & Electronics Division at the Boeing Space Center in Kent, Wash. For the STS-41 Ulysses mission, Boeing integrated a McDonnell Douglas-built PAM-S atop the IUS, providing the first-ever three-stage booster rocket to launch an interplanetary probe from a space shuttle.

CONTACT: Elliot Pulham of Boeing Aerospace & Electronics, 206-773-2816

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#90337p0007 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

RAMAT-GAN (ISRAEL (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthcare Technologies Ltd. (NASDAQ: HCTUF, HCTEF, HCTWF) today announced that the annual general meeting of the company will be held on Dec. 11, 1990 at noon, Israel time, at company headquarters, 1 Jabotinsky St., Ramat-Gan, Israel.

The agenda of the meeting will be:

1) Discussion and acceptance of the audited accounts of the company for the year ending Dec. 31, 1989.
2) Election of directors to the board of directors of the company.
3) Appointment of auditors of the company.
4) Any other business.

Shareholders unable to attend may nominate a representative to attend and vote on their behalf. A proxy form for the nomination of such representative may be obtained from Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, 72 Reade St., New York, N.Y. 10007. Such form, to be effective, must reach the company's counsel, Summit Rovins & Feldesman, 445 Park Ave., New York, N.Y. 10022, not later than 12 hours prior to the hour set for the meeting.

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Healthcare Technologies Ltd.

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#90337p0008 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Citibank announced today the latest phase in its three-year program to expand the size and scope of its unit that provides businesses nationally with credit card authorization and processing services.

The bank has formally renamed its expanded merchant credit card activities Citibank Establishment Services. The unit, formerly called Card Acceptance

Services, is among the country's largest providers of credit card processing services for businesses accepting Visa, MasterCard, Diners Club, Carte Blanche and other credit cards.

Headquartered in Melville, N.Y., Citibank Establishment Services has major operating and customer service facilities in Hagerstown, Md., and Sioux Falls, S.D.

"The renaming of Citibank Establishment Services is a logical step in the quick-paced development of this business over the last few years," said Bruce M. Weber, president of the unit. "It more accurately describes the wide range of authorization, settlement, and information services - as well as an unmatched level of customer service - we can provide for businesses."

Citibank Establishment Services already processes credit card transactions for businesses representing more than $22 billion in consumer purchases. Adding significant volume each year since 1987, the business has grown to one of the three largest in the United States.

"Our growth reflects both Citibank's commitment to the credit card industry, in general, and our ability to provide better service and more tailored products than the competition," Weber said.

He noted that the renaming to Citibank Establishment Services is the latest step in the three-year-old expansion of the business. Other major development have included:

- Acquisitions of two significant merchant card programs from First Chicago Corp. and Houston's First City Bancorp, both in 1990;

- The development of CitiNet, Citibank's proprietary transaction delivery system that provides credit card approval processing for merchant locations nationwide; and

- The introduction of industry-specific products and services that have enabled Citibank to take a leadership position in providing credit card processing services for businesses in the car rental, retailing, and travel industries.

CONTACT: William J. Ahearn of Citibank, (212) 559-0409.

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#90337p0019 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Value Fund, Inc. (NYSE: TVF), today announced a dividend of $0.03 per share from net investment income payable Dec. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 12, 1990.

Unless shareholders have elected to receive dividends and distributions in cash, this dividend will be automatically reinvested in fund shares pursuant to the fund's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Mistele of Templeton Value Fund, Inc., 800-237-0738, ext. 7660

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#90337p0022 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Emerging Markets Fund, Inc. (NYSE: EMF), today announced a dividend of $0.08 per share from net investment income and a short term capital gain distribution of $0.02 per share payable Dec. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 12, 1990.

Unless shareholders have elected to receive dividends and distributions in cash, this dividend will be automatically reinvested in fund shares pursuant to the fund's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Mistele of Templeton Emerging Markets Fund, Inc., 800-237-0738, ext. 7660

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#90337p0026 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of The Standard Products Co. (NYSE: SPD) today announced a reduction in the regular quarterly dividend.

The new dividend of $.12 per share will be payable January 25, 1991 to shareholders of record January 11, 1991. It compares with the previous quarterly dividend of $.23 per share.

James S. Reid, Jr., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, said, "The Board's decision was based on the overall economic outlook and the Company's plans for the future. We have just come through several years of substantial long-term investment in plant and equipment both in this country and the United Kingdom as well as for acquisition and joint venture operations. In addition, we are seeing softness in both the North American and overseas car builds and are also in the midst of a major start-up program in the U.K. for Ford's new Crown Victoria/Mercury Grand Marquis models.

"No one ever likes a dividend reduction but, given our future needs and opportunities, I am convinced the Board's action is prudent at this time."

Cleveland-based Standard Products manufactures rubber and plastic parts for the automotive original equipment industry, rubberized track for military vehicles and plastic and magnetic door seals for home appliances. Its Oliver Rubber subsidiary is a major producer of tread rubber for truck tire

retreading.

CONTACT: Thomas A. Harker of The Standard Products Co., 216-281-8300 or William L. Dupuy of Edward Howard & Co., 216-781-2400, for The Standard Products Co.

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#90337p0157 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - MASS Microsystems (NASDAQ: MMIC) has signed a definitive agreement to acquire the assets of HyperPro Inc., it was jointly announced here today by Adel El-Shimi, president of MASS Microsystems and Wayne Robertson, president of HyperPro. As a result of the acquisition, MASS Microsystems will offer complete custom multimedia system solutions. Terms of the agreement, which is anticipated to close by Dec. 31, 1990, and is subject to certain conditions, were not disclosed.

"During the past six months, the market for personal computer multimedia applications has become increasingly confused as new, single focused products have been introduced. Users have had to undergo sharp learning curves in order to select the most appropriate combination of hardware, software and videographics peripherals. With HyperPro, MASS Microsystems is now positioned to offer complete custom solutions to the multimedia needs of the business community," stated El-Shimi.

According to El-Shimi, HyperPro is a leading custom developer of custom multimedia software, setting standards for the industry in products ranging from interactive video presentations and applications to marketing kiosks, desktop presentations, video disc and CD-ROM applications. In addition, HyperPro recently introduced its first product targeted for the distribution channels, "VideoAuthor," a software program that controls the display of real time interactive video on the computer screen.

"HyperPro, operating as a wholly owned, but distinct, subsidiary of MASS Microsystems, has worked with such major clients as Amoco Chemical Co., Northern Telecom, Pacific Bell Directory, Oracle, Apple Computer and Microsoft to provide innovative multimedia system solutions. In many cases, these systems will include MASS Microsystems' line of removable storage disk drives and videographics peripherals. However, it is important to note that HyperPro will also use competitive products if the resulting system better suits the client's needs," stated El-Shimi.

HyperPro was founded in 1987 by Wayne Robertson, president; Paul Foraker, chief operating officer; and David Donaldson, creative director. The three formerly worked in the product development group of Apple Computer Inc. and launched HyperPro in conjunction with the release of Apple's HyperCard software development system.

MASS Microsystems is a multimedia driven, peripheral enhancement company operating worldwide. The company manufactures the award-winning ColorSpace line of videographic products and the Datapak line of 45mb removable cartridge storage systems for the Apple Macintosh family of personal computers.

CONTACT: David Walke, 212-986-5900; Douglas Sherk or Maria Quillard, 415-296-7383; all of Morgen-Walke Associates for MASS Microsystems

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#90337p0172 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

KEARNY, NJ (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Goody Products, Inc. (NASDAQ: GOOD) announced today that the company has entered into a licensing agreement with Mattel, Inc. (NYSE: MAT) for the production and distribution of a line of hair accessories under the trade name "Barbie for Girls(TM)." Trade response to the new fashion line has been overwhelming.

"Barbie for Girls" is a high-fashion line of hair accessories products including pony tail holders, barrettes, fashion combs, ribbons, fashion bows and ties. The license gives Goody exclusive rights to distribute the "Barbie for Girls" line in virtually every channel of trade in the United States, its territories and possessions.

The "Barbie for Girls" line was recently introduced at a trade show and has been previewed with major customers, receiving an enthusiastic reception. "The early order rate for our Barbie line of hair accessories has far exceeded our most optimistic expectations," noted Leonard Goodman, chairman and CEO.

"We expect to begin limited shipping of the 'Barbie for Girls' hair accessories line in spring 1991, with full distribution by later in the year. In addition to Goody's traditional outlets, we anticipate new channels of distribution for the line from children's apparel chains and major toy chains as well as toy departments of our mass merchandise customers," Goodman said. "The 'Barbie for Girls' line should also produce added holiday season volume, strengthening our traditionally soft fourth quarter," he concluded.

Mattel's Barbie doll is supported by a large advertising budget and along with licensed products represents worldwide retail volume of $1.2 billion. "We are very encouraged over the prospects for the Barbie license," Goodman said.

Goody Products, Inc. is engaged in the design, manufacture and marketing of a wide variety of hair accessories and owns and operates three additional consumer products subsidiaries and divisions: Opti-Ray, a designer and marketer of high-quality fashion sunglasses; Ace Comb, a manufacturer of premium high-quality hard rubber combs, and Pretty Neat Products, a producer of plastic cosmetic organizers.

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, Inc.,

212-545-8400, for Goody Products

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#90337p0177 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
SANTA BARBARA, CA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Mentor Corp. (NASDAQ: MNTR) today announced that it has completed the acquisition of IMS Biomedic, its primary distributor in Germany. The subsidiary, which was renamed Mentor Deutschland GmbH, will be responsible initially for all sales and marketing activity for Mentor's surgical products in Germany and certain countries in Eastern Europe. The subsidiary will eventually also assume responsibility for the company's ophthalmology and urology ultrasound products.

Christopher J. Conway, chairman and chief executive officer of Mentor Corp., stated "We are very pleased that all the employees of IMS Biomedic will be staying with Mentor. We believe that there is enormous growth potential for European markets over the next decade. This acquisition is part of our aggressive strategy toward international expansion."

Earlier this year, Mentor Corp. also established direct operations in Canada and the United Kingdom.

Mentor Deutschland GmbH is based in Munich. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Mentor Corp. develops, manufactures and markets specialized medical products including surgically implantable devices, diagnostic and surgical instruments and disposable products for hospital and home health care.

Christopher J. Conway of Mentor Corp., 805-967-3451.

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#90337p0180 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
ANN ARBOR, MI (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Equipment Corporation (NYSE: DEC) and Comshare, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSRE) today announced a Digital Cooperative Marketing Program (CMP) agreement, under which the two companies will jointly market Comshare's Commander EIS and System W software products in the U.S. Comshare, working closely with Digital, will also enhance its product line to use Network Application Support (NAS) -- Digital's software for application integration in a networked, multivendor environment -- to link executive ease of use with enterprise network resources such as databases, electronic mail, and integrated office systems.

Commander EIS and System W enable executives and other professionals to more effectively make business decisions on products, markets, planning, and organizational performance by quickly and easily understanding critical information from within and outside their business. The products are major

components of Digital's portfolio of executive- and decision-support applications that, through NAS, enable users to easily access, analyze, and share business information throughout an organization.

Commander EIS (Executive Information System) software gives executives individualized, highly refined summaries of information in an exceptionally easy-to-use format that requires no training. Commander EIS works in a client/server PC-to-VAX environment. Executives use a mouse or touch screen on a PC or Apple Macintosh II to easily review reports, charts, memos, and spreadsheets, and share this information with geographically dispersed management teams.

System W DSS (Decision Support System) software is ideal for managers who need applications for financial modeling and management reporting. System W simplifies complex modeling for strategic planning, budgeting, forecasting, consolidation reporting, financial analysis, profitability, and inventory planning, allowing organizations to better prepare for and respond to changes in their business environment.

Commander EIS and System W are available from Comshare immediately for Digital's VAX VMS systems. Software prices for typical Commander EIS or System W configurations start at $43,000, based on VAX system size.

Digital Equipment Corporation, headquartered in Maynard, Mass., is the leading worldwide supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center.

Comshare, an international software company headquartered in Ann Arbor, develops and markets software products that focus on the managerial needs for information that are found in medium and large size companies. Comshare is the leading supplier of executive information and decision-support software.

CONTACT: Craig Mitchell of Digital Equipment Corporation, 603-884-0753; or Ricia Hughes of Comshare, Inc., 313-994-4800 ext. 6068.

-30- 3184

#90337p0184 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Applebee's International, Inc. (NASDAQ:APPB) announced today that it has agreed in principle to sell its company-owned St. Louis, Mo. restaurant interests to a new franchisee, Apple Partners, Ltd.

The company has one Applebee's restaurant open in St. Louis, one under construction which will open in mid-December, and two sites approved in the St. Louis metropolitan area.

Specific details were not disclosed. However, the company indicated that it expects to report a gain on the sale when the transaction is completed.

Abe J. Gustin, Jr., president and CEO, said that selling company-owned restaurants to a franchisee in a major market fits well with Applebee's ongoing strategy. "As in the past, certain company-owned restaurants in newly developed markets may be sold to a franchisee whom we believe will fulfill the potential of the market. We have plans to use our financial resources and staff to develop other key markets in the same way during 1991."

Applebee's International, Inc., headquartered in Kansas City, Mo., develops, franchises and operates a rapidly expanding national chain of restaurants under the trademark Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar.

CONTACT: Jack Falker of Swenson/Falker Associates, Inc., 612-371-0000, for Applebee's International; or Sue Carroll of Applebee's International, 816-421-2501

-30- 1561

#90337p0185 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: LMTS) announced that it has closed on the sale of $1,750,000 of the company's 10 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures to institutional buyers and that it expects to close on the sale of an additional $2,330,000 in such debentures on Monday. Mel Masters, chief executive officer, expressed satisfaction that the offering had been a success. Masters indicated that the offering, which permitted sale of up to $10 million in convertible debentures, was being closed early because the $4,080,000 expected to be raised meets LaserMaster's objectives in raising capital for purchase of inventory and working capital.

The company indicated that a number of additional institutions were considering purchase of additional debentures, in minimum amounts of $500,000, and that purchases by institutions currently evaluating the debenture would be permitted through next week.

LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets laser printer and display systems and subsystems for high quality electronic printing and desktop publishing applications. LaserMaster's products include high performance printer controllers, plain-paper desktop typesetters and integrated electronic publishing systems which feature the company's proprietary TurboRes(TM) resolution enhancement technology.

CONTACT: Karen Neset of LaserMaster, 612-941-8687

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#90337p0192 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Imo Industries Inc. (NYSE: IMD) today announced that it has acquired Optic-Electronic Corp. (OEC), a producer of electro-optical components and systems.

Based in Garland, Texas, OEC had sales of $75.1 million and pretax income of $5.7 million in its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990. The acquisition price based on improvements in equity at date of closing amounted to approximately $39 million. Payment by IMO is in conformance with the use contemplated for a portion of the proceeds from the company's debenture issue of November 1989.

OEC's product line includes fiber optic image intensification tubes, night vision systems, laser systems and other related electro-optical components and systems. It also has advanced technical capabilities in optical coating, fiber optic fabrication and gallium arsenide wafer processing. Approximately 15 percent of OEC's revenue is from sales outside of the United States.

"OEC and Varo have similar production and engineering facilities within city blocks of each other, and integration of these activities will boost production efficiencies and allow other cost savings," said W. J. Holcombe, IMO chairman and chief executive officer. "In addition, combining R&D programs is expected to enhance new product development in a significant way.

"IMO's existing electro-optical operations, consisting of the company's Baird and Varo units, had a backlog of about $200 million as of Sept. 30. OEC's backlog as of Sept. 30 was $88 million. Combining the capabilities of OEC with those already in place at IMO will enable us to expand our product offerings across a broad spectrum of laser and electro-optical areas and establish a stronger position from which to expand our worldwide business."

IMO, whose 1990 revenues are expected to exceed $1 billion, supplies analytical and optical instruments, electronic and mechanical controls, engineered power products and their support services to industrial and defense customers worldwide.

CONTACT: Paul B. Lazovick of Imo Industries, 609-896-7615

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#90337p0193 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - First Florida Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: FFBK) today announced that it received notice by phone on Friday, Nov. 30, 1990 at 5:00 p.m., that the Comptroller of the Currency had denied the application of First Florida to acquire Mid-State Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: MSSB). First Florida has not yet received the official order of the Comptroller indicating its action but understands that the application was denied because of supervisory reasons having to do largely with asset quality concerns in both institutions and certain additional First Florida practices and systems.

For these reasons, the Comptroller concluded that the merger is not in the best interest of First Florida Bank, N.A., the general public, and the Bank Insurance Fund.

The acquisition agreement between the parties contemplates an alternative acquisition structure not requiring Comptroller approval when the initial structure fails to gain timely regulatory approval. No assurance can be given that the regulatory agencies which must approve such alternative structure, the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, will approve the restructured acquisition in light of the Comptroller's rejection of the pending application for supervisory reasons. As required by the acquisition agreement, First Florida intends to prepare and submit applications for regulatory approval of the alternative structure - the acquisition of Mid-State as a thrift subsidiary of First Florida Banks, Inc.

A. Bronson Thayer, chairman of First Florida, stated that: "We are obviously disappointed, but the Comptroller's action is consistent with national regulatory concerns about loan deterioration and capital preservation evident in recent examinations of this region's banks and the tougher regulatory attitude toward financial institutions in today's economy. We will continue to attempt to satisfy such concerns and abide by the terms of our agreement with Mid-State."

First Florida Banks, Inc., a Tampa-based company with $5.7 billion in assets, operates 155 banking offices along Florida's West Coast from Pensacola to Naples/Marco Island and across the Central Florida corridor to the Atlantic Coast. First Florida's common stock is traded in the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol FFBK.

CONTACT: Robert G. Harris, senior executive vice president and chief financial officer of First Florida Banks, Inc., 813-224-1901

-30- 2703

#90337p0197 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - AMDURA Corporation (NYSE: ADU) announced today that it has filed a plan of reorganization with the United States Bankruptcy Court in Denver, under which it proposes to emerge from Chapter 11 and be reorganized in a manner allowing it to retain its 100 percent owned subsidiaries, The Crosby Group, Inc. and The Harris Waste Management Group, Inc., its 57 percent owned subsidiary Vac-Tec Systems, Inc. and certain other assets.

Under the plan, of the initial nine person board of directors of the reorganized AMDURA, five will be nominated by the Bank Group and one by the AMDURA, Coast and ANDCO Unsecured creditors' Committees. The plan also provides that the remaining three members of the initial board will be the chief executive officers of AMDURA, Crosby and Harris.

Waldera stated that the company is engaged in continuing discussions with various creditor groups concerning its reorganization filing. He stated that no agreements or commitments have been reached with any creditors and also that any reorganized plan would be subject to Bankruptcy Court approval.

AMDURA also announced that the company is nearing completion of the preparation of its consolidated financial results for fiscal 1989 and would release the results within a week. Waldera stated that the results would show very substantial overall losses for this period due to certain operational and non recurring considerations unrelated to the company's Harris and Crosby subsidiaries.

On April 2, 1990, AMDURA Corporation and its hardlines distribution subsidiaries, including AMDURA National Distribution Company and Coast to Coast Stores, Inc., filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy code in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Denver. AMDURA's manufacturing subsidiaries, The Crosby Group, Inc., The Harris Waste Management Group, Inc. and Vac-Tec Systems, Inc., were not included.

The Crosby Group, Inc., headquartered in Tulsa, Okla., is a leading manufacturer of fittings for the wire rope and chain. The Harris Waste Management Group, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, is a leading manufacturer of equipment for the recycling and waste management industry. Vac-Tec Systems, Inc., headquartered in Boulder, Colo., manufactures equipment used to apply decorative and industrial coatings.

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#90337p0201 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, CONN. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - General Electric (NYSE: GE) announced today that Gary M. Reiner, 36, has been named vice president, corporate business development and planning, effective Jan. 1, 1991. Reiner is currently a partner with the Boston Consulting Group in New York City.

In his new post, Reiner will report to GE Chairman John F. Welch, Jr. Reiner succeeds Eugene P. Nesbeda who was named vice president - GE plastics product management in July. Other GE executives to hold the business development position in recent years include Michael A. Carpenter, now president and CEO of the Kidder, Peabody Group, Inc., and Nigel D. T. Andrews, vice president and general manager - GE Plastics Americas.

Reiner joined the Boston Consulting Group in Boston in 1980. In 1986, he was named a partner. He moved to the firm's New York office in 1987. His clients have included Fortune 500 companies in the telecommunication, financial services and pharmaceutical fields.

From 1976 to 1978, Reiner was a consultant for Energy and Environmental Analysis, Inc. of Arlington, Va.

Reiner is a 1980 honors graduate of the Harvard Business School. He earned a B.A. in economics from Harvard in 1976. As an undergraduate he was captain of the Harvard tennis team and was named top collegiate tennis player in New England. Reiner is married to Peggy Pickman, who is a senior jewelry designer at Avon Products, Inc.

CONTACT: Bruce Bunch of GE, 203-373-2039, or home at 203-263-5595

-30- 1677

#90337p0205 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA ANA, CALIF. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - On-Site Toxic Control Inc. (OTC: Pink Sheets) reported increased revenues for the year ended June 30, 1990.

Revenues for the year increased $226,398 to $1,354,731 from $1,128,333 the previous year. Stockholders deficiency reached ($30,061) compared with ($230,513) at the end of 1989. Net loss was reduced to ($633,875) or ($.31) per share from ($650,333) or ($.50) the previous year. Assets rose from $608,447 in fiscal 1989 to $1,030,477 in fiscal 1990.

"These results reflect increasing recognition of the company's air and water treatment systems as a method of solving industrial contamination pollution problems, and our improved marketing efforts," stated David Fletcher, president of On-Site Toxic Control Inc. and its principal subsidiary Ultrox International. "This past year," he continued, "marked the beginning of a new phase of growth for our company as we completed the transition from the development stage to full-scale production and sales."

Demand for the company's four rental water treatment units also increased in fiscal 1990. Gross profits from this segment rose to $41,071 from $5,615 the previous year, due in part to lower operating and maintenance costs. Revenue from the company's laboratory services unit rose 31 percent due to increased demand and higher service rates.

During the third and fourth quarters, the company signed additional marketing and technical agreements with Unocal and with FMC, the largest North American producer of hydrogen peroxide. The marketing agreement with Unocal's Unipure Group, signed in April 1990, is designed to enable the two firms to jointly market purification systems to decontaminate sites with both toxic organic and inorganic contamination.

As a result of these agreements and the company's expanded marketing efforts, revenue backlog for the first quarter of 1990 (unaudited) already exceeds the level of annual sales in fiscal 1990. This backlog includes systems for five

Fortune 500 customers.

Subsequent to year end, Ultrox completed the installation of a new, South Gate Calif., treatment plant. This $500,000 water treatment facility is the first application of the Ultrox technology to restore a municipal water well to drinking water standards.

On-Site Toxic Control Inc. through its subsidiary, Ultrox International, is in the business of on site destruction of toxic substances found in groundwater an industrial wastewater. The Ultrox process photochemically eliminates organic contaminants through a patented oxidation process. Principal customers are major industrial corporations, water utilities and operators of Superfund clean-up programs.

ON-SITE TOXIC CONTROL INC.
Selected Financial Data
12 Months' Ended June 30, 1990 (audited)

12 Months' Income Statement Data:	1990	1989
Revenue	$1,354,731	$1,128,333
Net income (loss)	(633,875)	(650,333)
Earnings per common share (loss)	(.31)	(.50)
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,077,642	1,304,343
Balance Sheet Data (as of June 30, 1990)		
Working capital (deficit)	($14,122)	(79,562)
Total assets	$1,030,477	608,447
Long term debt	328,655	524,957
Total shareholder's equity (deficiency)	(30,061)	(230,563)

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - In an automotive industry first, Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) and MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) today announced an agreement whereby the two companies will make MCI's long distance services available to the automobile manufacturer's national dealer network.

Through the new program named DEAL (Dealer Easy Access Long distance), all of Chrysler Corporation's 5,300 Chrysler, Plymouth, Dodge, Jeep and Eagle dealers nationwide are eligible to utilize MCI's long distance services at rates otherwise unavailable to businesses the size of the typical dealership. Previously, these services were reserved for the largest companies.

The DEAL program agreement also makes available to dealers such MCI services as Vnet, Calling Card, 800 and Payphone Services, and allows Chrysler dealers to take advantage of special dialing plans such as convenient access to designated Chrysler offices throughout the U.S.

"This unique agreement will provide Chrysler dealerships throughout the U.S. with the same competitive advantages in services and operating and cost efficiencies that our corporate offices expect with MCI," said Tom Marinelli, director of sales operations for the corporation.

"Chrysler's decision to expand the availability of MCI's services to its dealers reflects the tremendous confidence the company has in our products and services," said Bert C. Roberts Jr., MCI's president and chief operating officer.

"The DEAL program exemplifies how telecommunications can serve as a practical competitive tool in information-intensive industries such as the automotive industry," added Roberts.

Chrysler Corporation, headquartered in Highland Park, Mich., is a diversified multi-billion dollar company involved in automotive manufacturing, electronics and financial services.

Headquartered in Washington, MCI Communications Corporation, provides a full range of global telecommunications services to businesses, residences and governmental agencies. With 1989 revenue of $6.5 billion, the company owns and operates the world's second-largest communications network, employing advanced fiber optics, digital microwave, satellite and digital switching technologies.

MCI Central Division is an operating division of MCI Telecommunications Corporation serving Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Ohio, North and South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - John A. Helms has been named executive vice president and general counsel of Massachusetts Indemnity and Life Insurance Co. (MILICO), it was announced today by MILICO and its parent company, Primerica Corp. (NYSE: PA).

Donald R. Cooper, MILICO's chairman and CEO, said: "John has impeccable credentials and we are delighted to have him join our team. He brings an

extraordinary wealth of experience and education to his new position in which he will be responsible for the legal activities of MILICO and its A.L. Williams sales force."

Helms leaves his position as a partner in the Atlanta law firm of Trotter Smith & Jacobs. Prior to that, he spent more than 15 years at Life of Georgia including more than 10 years as its general counsel and secretary.

Helms was graduated from Harvard Law School in 1964, and earned his undergraduate degree in Economics and Business Administration from Vanderbilt University. He is a member of the Legal Section of the American Council of Life Insurance and is serving on the board of directors of the Association of Life Insurance Counsel. Helms is also a member of the American Bar Association and its Insurance Law section and has served a term as chairman of the Corporate Counsel section of the State Bar of Georgia. He is a past president of the Harvard Law School Association of Georgia and is currently second vice president of the Harvard Law School Association, the national Alumni Association of the Harvard Law School.

MILICO currently leads the insurance industry with more than $320 billion in individual life insurance in force. MILICO is the underwriter of term life insurance policies marketed exclusively through The A.L. Williams Corp. (ALW) and its affiliated sales force. In addition, ALW markets mutual funds and various financial products in concert with certain Primerica Corp. subsidiaries. Primerica, the parent company of both MILICO and ALW, is a diversified financial services company with assets of approximately $21 billion.

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TAMPA, FLA. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Nutmeg Industries, Inc., (NASDAQ: NUTM) today reported net sales of $26,106,000 for its third fiscal quarter ended October 27, 1990, an increase of 95 percent over the $13,412,000 reported in the comparable quarter a year ago. Net income increased to $989,000 or $.15 per share in the three months ended October 27, 1990, from $164,000 or $.02 per share in the three months ended October 28, 1989.

For the nine months ended October 27, 1990, net sales were $55,966,000, up 40 percent from the $39,888,000 reported in the nine months ended October 28, 1989. Net income for the 1990 nine-month period was $1,480,000 or $.22 per share compared to $2,161,000 or $.35 per share in 1989.

Richard E. Jacobson, Nutmeg chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We are encouraged by our continued progress. Our core Nutmeg Mills subsidiary posted strong sales and profit gains compared to last year's third fiscal

quarter, when we encountered significant computer conversion problems. In addition, our results reflect the contributions of McBriar Sportswear, acquired on May 31, 1990, and our 'Saturday's Hero' joint venture, begun in this year's first quarter."

Jacobson said that "the retail environment is very difficult. We think that licensed sports will out-perform most other retail sectors, but we are maintaining a cautious attitude and will continue to emphasize cash flow and liquidity. Our $2.4 million in borrowings under our credit lines were lower than a year ago despite our acquisition of McBriar, the startup of 'Saturday's Hero' and the growth in Nutmeg Mills. Our consolidated order backlog is $16 million compared to $14 million last year."

Jacobson also said that Nutmeg has acquired over 400,000 shares of its own stock since the end of the third quarter, in accordance with an announcement made earlier.

Nutmeg Industries designs, manufacturers and markets high-quality sportswear generally bearing the insignias, names, colors, cartoon characters or other identifying symbols that various organizations have authorized the company to use. Nutmeg distributes its sportswear products to department and sporting goods stores and specialty retailers under the "Nutmeg Mills" label; to mass merchants and chain stores under the "Saturday's Hero" label through a joint venture controlled by Nutmeg; and to the retail, advertising specialty, premium, career apparel and sporting-goods markets through McBriar Sportswear and B-P Knitwear.

NUTMEG INDUSTRIES, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited)
(In thousands except per-share data)

	Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Oct. 27, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989	Oct. 27, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
Net sales	$26,106	$13,412	$55,966	$39,888
Cost and expenses:				
Cost of merchandise sold	18,730	9,055	39,663	25,258
Selling, general and administrative expenses	5,281	3,686	12,551	9,726
Interest expense	432	410	1,142	1,657
Minority interest expense	88	--	243	--
Income before income taxes and a cumulative change in accounting principle	1,575	261	2,367	3,247
Income tax provision	(586)	(97)	(887)	(1,199)
Cumulative effect on prior years of a change in accounting principle	--	--	--	113
Net income	$ 989	$ 164	$ 1,480	$ 2,161

Per common share: Income before cumulative effect on prior years of a change in accounting principle	$ .15	$ .02	$ .22	$ .33
Cumulative effect on prior years of a change in accounting principle	--	--	--	.02
Net income	$ .15	$ .02	$ .22	$ .35
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	6,790	6,753	6,782	6,141

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ATLANTA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - National Data Corporation's chairman and chief executive officer, L.C. Whitney, today announced the resignation of Mark L. Braunstein as president, chief operating officer and director of the company. Mr. Braunstein resigned to pursue personal interests.

Mr. Whitney stated, "An executive search has been under way to assure timely and effective top management succession. At the board's request I will assume the responsibilities of the president's office and will continue in an active management role as long as necessary to provide direction and continuity.

"The company is well positioned, with an experienced and capable organization, to play a key role in the expanding information services industry," added Mr. Whitney.

National Data Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: NDTA) provides business solutions requiring timely access to critical information to the retail, healthcare, financial and communications markets worldwide.

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ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Medcross, Inc., (NASDAQ: MDCR) said today that it expects "over $1 million" in new revenues each year to result from a limited partnership agreement signed last week.

Robert M. Irvin, Medcross president, said the company is the general partner of Medcross Imaging, Ltd., the limited partnership created to provide mobile magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) services to hospitals. Medcross will operate and manage a mobile MRI unit owned by the partnership.

Irvin said Edward White Hospital of St. Petersburg, South Bay Hospital of Sun City Center and HCA Raulerson Hospital of Okeechobee have signed long-term contracts for MRI services. Operations will begin in January. He said he is confident that the unit will generate over $1 million in revenues annually.

According to Irvin, MRI is a state-of-the-art diagnostic tool that "looks into the body without the risks of ionizing radiation."

Cost of the Philips T-5 MRI unit to be owned and operated by the partnership is about $2 million, Irvin said. Hospitals unable to buy their own MRI unit will find the services of the Medcross mobile unit to be "an attractive economic alternative".

Irvin the MRI partnership is "another of the steps the Medcross management team is taking to produce new revenues and profits while awaiting FDA (U.S. Food and Drug Administration) approval for gallstone lithotripsy."

Medcross provides management services to health-care ventures and consulting services to hospitals, clinics, and health-care professionals. The businesses that Medcross owns and/or operates include mobile magnetic resonance imaging, mobile and fixed-base computerized tomography, mobile and fixed-base kidney lithotripsy, mobile gallstone lithotripsy and mobile ultrasound services.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE: KLT) announced today that it is extending its all cash, fully financed tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE). The offer and withdrawal rights will now expire at 7 p.m., New York City time, on Jan. 11, 1991, unless the offer is further extended.

Kansas City Power & Light has been informed by the Depositary that to date approximately 5,233,615 shares of Kansas Gas and Electric common stock, 35,557 shares of Kansas Gas and Electric 4-1/2 percent preferred stock, 31,450 shares of Kansas Gas and Electric 4.32 percent preferred stock and 24,453 shares of Kansas Gas and Electric 4.28 percent preferred stock have been tendered to Kansas City Power & Light. The shares of common stock tendered represent approximately 17 percent of Kansas Gas and Electric's outstanding common shares.

On July 23, 1990, Kansas City Power & Light commenced an all cash, fully financed tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of

Kansas Gas and Electric. The offer price of $27 per share for the common stock, approximately $857 million in the aggregate, represents a 37 percent premium over the market price of Kansas Gas and Electric common stock on July 20, 1990, the last trading day prior to the commencement of Kansas City Power & Light's offer.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - To clarify any misunderstanding arising out of a Nov. 30 article in The Wall Street Journal that said that Time Warner Inc. (NYSE: TWX) is "finding a search for minority partners harder than anticipated," the company said today that any difficulty is in selecting partners with a suitable strategic approach, rather than in finding interested partners. The company added it has received and continues to receive many expressions of interest in forming joint ventures in all its businesses, from all over the world.

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COLUMBIA, MD (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - RAC Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: RMF) today announced a monthly dividend of $0.105 per share to holders of record on Dec. 17, 1990, payable on Dec. 31, 1990. The ex-dividend trade date is Dec. 11, 1990.

RAC Income Fund, a closed-end investment fund, primarily invests in fixed-income mortgage-backed securities that are rated AAA or AA by a nationally recognized agency, or are issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government, its agencies or instrumentalities. To a lesser degree, the fund may also invest in mortgage securities deemed to have an equivalent rating by the fund manager. The fund's goal is to distribute monthly income that is 150 to 200 basis points greater than the rate obtainable from U.S. Treasury securities, having the same maturity as the expected average life of the fund's investments.

RAC Income Fund is managed by Ryland Acceptance Advisers, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Ryland Acceptance Corporation. Ryland Acceptance Corporation is an indirect subsidiary of The Ryland Group, Inc.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - National Healthcare Inc. reported net income of $242,000 or $.01 per share for the first fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, compared to a net loss of $524,000 or ($.05) per share for the first quarter of the prior fiscal year.

The quarter ended Sept. 30 included an extraordinary credit of $155,000 or $.01 per share resulting from the utilization of tax net operating losses.

The company noted operating earnings before corporate interest expense, taxes, and extraordinary item were $2.6 million and $4.0 million in the quarters ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively. Comparable operating earnings from the company's retained facilities were $2.6 million and $3.4 million in the quarters ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Operating revenues were $57.3 million in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $58.6 million in the same quarter a year earlier. The quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989 did not include revenues of $3.9 million from two facilities previously held for disposal and included revenues of $11.0 million from two facilities subsequently disposed. Comparable revenues from the company's retained operating hospitals increased approximately $5.8 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30.

Contractual allowances as a percent of operating revenues increased 6.9 percent for the quarter ended Sept. 30, primarily as result of increased Medicare utilization in the company's hospitals. The quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 included approximately $589,000 in credits from reductions to contractual allowance provisions, primarily as a result of estimate changes and favorable settlements of prior year cost reports with program intermediaries, compared to credits of approximately $121,000 in the same period last year.

Operating expenses, excluding interest, remained unchanged in the comparable quarters ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989. Interest expense decrease 50.6 percent in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 primarily due to reductions in interest expense on the company's bank debt and outstanding subordinated debentures as a result of financial restructuring transactions completed in fiscal 1990.

National Heathcare Inc., is an Atlanta-based corporation which provides heathcare services to communities through ownership or management of general acute care hospitals and related healthcare services.

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JFK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - New York-based Tower Air reported its October 1990 revenue passenger miles (RPMs) on its scheduled services increased 14.4 percent compared to October 1989.

Carrier's available seat miles (ASMs) for the month increased 16.6 percent over the same comparable 1989 month. For October of this year, scheduled RPMs totalled 131,764 and ASMs totalled 156,987. For October 1989, scheduled RPMs totalled 115,209 and scheduled ASMs totalled 134,636. Average load factor on all Tower Air services during October 1990 was 87.2 percent, down slightly from the October 1989 average of 88.4 percent.

Tower Air is a U.S. international scheduled and charter services operator headquartered at New York's JFK International Airport. The carrier operates scheduled services from New York to Tel Aviv, Israel, and from New York and Miami to the Scandinavian countries of Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Finland. Tower Air also offers a weekly scheduled flight between New York and Miami. Beginning in the spring of 1991, Tower will provide scheduled service from New York to Paris. The carrier also operates charter services to France, Greece and Italy. All service is provided with Boeing 747 aircraft.

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FAIRFIELD, CONN. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - A new line of rulers, scissors and shears made from recycled consumer plastic waste has been introduced by Acme United Corporation (AMEX: ACU), the country's largest producer of household shears, scissors, wooden rulers and yardsticks.

Discarded coffee cups, burger containers and school trays provide the raw material for the new products, called the Kleen Earth line. The waste is processed, ground and molded into rulers and scissor handles. A 12-inch ruler or 8-inch scissor handle uses the equivalent of four styrofoam burger containers or six coffee cups.

Henry C. Wheeler, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We believe that Acme United is the first company to introduce this type of product, and we have every indication that the Kleen Earth line will be a big winner. Chain store buyers and office supply wholesalers and dealers in both the United States and Europe have expressed enthusiasm for these products."

Acme United is producing the Kleen Earth line in its Bridgeport, Conn., plant. Plans call for the company's English and German subsidiaries to manufacture and/or market these products for distribution to European consumers.

To encourage conservation and reforestation efforts, Acme United is sending a

young pine tree sprout to customers who return Kleen Earth product packaging to the company for recycling.

The plastic rulers and scissor handles contain 90 percent recycled plastic consumer waste. The paperboard used to package the rulers and scissors is made from recycled materials and may also be reused. Vegetable-based ink is used in the packaging, which does not contain any plastic or cellophane.

Acme United has been assisted in the development of plastics for the Kleen Earth products by The Pimby Co., a Purdys, N.Y., firm specializing in creating consumer products from recycled waste.

Acme United, based in Fairfield, Conn., is also a leading producer of metal disposable surgical instruments, sterile procedure trays, germicidal products and wound-care packs for hospitals and the after- care market.

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WESTBOROUGH, MASS. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - New England Critical Care, Incorporated (NASDAQ-NMS: NECC) and CarePlus, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CPLS), today reported they have entered into a definitive agreement to merge the companies and jointly pursue opportunities in the home infusion and alternate site healthcare marketplace.

Bob L. Wood, CarePlus' chairman, CEO and president, will assume the position of executive vice president of NECC and will become a member of the board of directors.

Under the terms of the definitive agreement, each outstanding share of CarePlus will be exchanged for 0.775 shares of NECC common stock. After the exchange, CarePlus will be a wholly-owned subsidiary of NECC. The tax-free merger will be accounted for as a pooling of interests.

In connection with the merger, CarePlus has granted NECC an irrevocable option to acquire, under certain circumstances, up to 18 percent of its outstanding shares, and NECC has granted CarePlus a similar irrevocable option to acquire up to 12 percent of its outstanding shares.

The definitive agreement requires the approval of shareholders of each company which NECC and CarePlus will seek at special shareholder meetings scheduled for March 1991. The merger is also subject, among other things, to the expiration of applicable waiting periods under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Act.

Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and Alex, Brown & Sons Incorporated are

acting as financial advisors to NECC and CarePlus, respectively.

Patrick S. Smith, chairman and chief executive officer stated, "We are excited about the opportunities provided by the merger to strengthen the companies' market leadership position while providing a stronger base from which to expand in infusion therapy and other alternate site healthcare opportunities."

"The two companies share a common focus on providing high-quality cost-effective alternate site healthcare. We look forward to working with the CarePlus management team and employees to expand our combined presence in the marketplace and in developing the alternate site market. In addition, we look forward to welcoming the CarePlus management team and employees as shareholders of NECC."

Bob L. Wood stated, "We at CarePlus are very proud of the success we have achieved over the last several years and in the services which we have provided to our customers and the opportunity we have given to our employees and our shareholders. We think this merger allows our shareholders and employees to participate to an even greater degree in the opportunity provided in the alternate site healthcare marketplace."

Founded in 1981, NECC was one of the first companies to provide infusion therapies such as parenteral nutrition, antibiotic therapy, chemotherapy and pain management therapy to patients in their homes. As a leading provider of these services in the alternate site healthcare marketplace, NECC today offers more than 18 types of home infusion therapies, with specialized services to specific patient populations including AIDS and pediatrics. New England Critical Care's headquarters are located at 50 Washington St., Westborough, Mass. 01581.

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DENVER (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The State of Colorado and MCI Communications Corp. (NASDAQ: MCIC) today announced a five-year, multi-million dollar agreement for MCI to serve as the sole communications carrier for the State's nearly 1,200 agency locations.

Voice services to be provided include MCI Vnet(R) (a virtual private network), MCI Vnet Calling Card and MCI 800 Service(sm).

"The State of Colorado will benefit from our contract with MCI in several ways " said State Telecommunications Representative Norm Murray. "Of course, cost savings is a major result of our partnership. Colorado State Government should realize savings of nearly $1.5 million over the full term of the

contract. But beyond the savings, we have greater flexibility and control of our network.

"A good example of this is our new, customized calling card. Personnel at the State's

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PITTSBURGH (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX) announced today that it will reduce employment in its energy systems business unit by 300 people.

The company said the reduction -- to be effective at year-end -- was essential to strengthen its competitive position in the commercial nuclear power market in the United States and overseas.

All of the employees affected by today's announcement are in salaried positions and all but 11 work in the Pittsburgh area.

"We are a market and technology leader in commercial nuclear power, and we have a rich portfolio of technologies in alternative energy sources, waste-to-energy and process control," said Nathaniel D. Woodson, vice president and general manager of the Westinghouse energy systems business unit. "But like many other U.S. companies, we face intense competition in our home market and internationally. We intend to win, but to do so we must reduce our costs.

"In the meantime, Westinghouse continues to employ more people in the nuclear field than any other company in the United States."

The company said it had offered a voluntary separation program for employees 57 years of age or older to lessen the impact of the reduction in force. More than 300 employees accepted the offer, which provided a year's pay to those who elected to terminate their employment before the end of the year.

"Reducing employment is one of many steps we are taking to strengthen our position in the marketplace," Woodson said. "We also are streamlining our work processes and eliminating layers of management."

"And we are going back to first principles by strengthening our customer focus working on technological innovations that will better serve our customers, and improving the quality and performance of our existing products.

"I know that this reduction will be very difficult for those it affects. We will work closely with them to help find new jobs. We are offering to help with resume preparation, interview techniques, employment searches and personal counseling," Woodson said.

Based on length of service, affected employees will receive full layoff benefits, including one week of pay for each year of service with the company, and extended medical and insurance coverage.

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EXTON, PA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Intelligent Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: INEL), the world's largest chain of microcomputer dealers in terms of revenues and locations, today reported record net earnings of $29.3 million, or $2.09 per share on revenue of $1.5 billion, for the company's fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

The earnings results represent a 109 percent increase over the $1 per share result reported for fiscal year 1989 (adjusted for the company's 2-for-1 stock split in July 1990). The 1990 fourth quarter earnings of 65 cents per share represents a 91 percent increase over the 1989 fourth quarter earnings of 34 cents per share.

Intelligent ended its fiscal year with a cash balance of $121 million. The 1990 cash balance is an increase of approximately $116 million over the 1989 year-ending cash balance of $5.3 million. During the year, the company also repaid approximately $27 million in borrowings.

The 1990 revenue figure of $1.5 billion more than doubles the company's 1989 fiscal revenues of $712 million. Revenues of $395 million for fourth quarter 1990 represent a 37 percent increase over revenues of $289 million for fourth quarter 1989.

Richard D. Sanford, Intelligent's chairman and chief executive officer, attributed part of the company's continued success to a strong focus on asset management. This focus has allowed Intelligent to continue to lead the industry in inventory turnover, collection of accounts receivable, and return on equity.

Intelligent Electronics provides intelligently based products to a network of approximately 1,000 centers located in all 50 states, Canada and Guam. The company operates five divisions -- Franchise, Company Center, Distribution Services, Corporate Services and International. The company's corporate headquarters is located in Exton with franchise operations in Denver and warehousing facilities in Chantilly, Va., Denver, and Livingston, Ontario, Canada.

INTELLIGENT ELECTRONICS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Operations
(in thousands, except per-share data)

Periods ended	Three months		Year	
Oct. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$395,281	$288,737	$1,458,541	$711,671
Cost of goods sold	363,420	265,333	1,340,026	646,147
Gross profit	31,861	23,404	118,515	65,524
Operating expenses: Selling, general and administrative expenses	16,162	12,726	61,640	38,296
Amortization ofintangibles, primarily goodwill	1,202	829	4,194	2,302
Total operating expenses	17,364	13,555	65,834	40,598
Income from operations	14,497	9,849	52,681	24,926
Other income (expenses): Investment and other income	1,031	153	2,474	534
Interest expense	(1,395)	(1,667)	(6,171)	(6,877)
Income before provision for income taxes	14,133	8,335	48,984	18,583
Provision for income taxes	4,923	3,652	19,734	8,012
Net income	9,210	4,683	29,250	10,571
Earnings per common share and share equivalents:				
Primary and fully diluted	$0.65	$0.34	$2.09	$1.00
Weighted average number of common shares and share equivalents outstanding (000)	14,097	13,788	13,999	10,523

INTELLIGENT ELECTRONICS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Balance Sheets
(In thousands, except share-related data)

Assets	Oct. 31, 1990	Oct. 31, 1989
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$120,721	$5,269
Marketable securities	--	1,390
Accounts receivable, net	34,213	64,007
Inventory	177,145	135,625
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,427	4,280
Deferred income taxes	4,291	5,081
Total current assets	337,797	215,652
Property and equipment, net	7,195	5,873
Intangible assets, primarily goodwill, net	96,290	72,672
Other assets	761	1,223
Total assets	$442,043	$295,420
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity Current liabilities:		
Current portion of long-term debt	$308	$9,776

Accounts payable	252,651	136,478
Accrued liabilities	22,184	14,736
Accrued contingent purchase price	17,852	9,000
Total current liabilities	292,995	169,990
Long-term debt	282	18,069
Subordinated debt	29,214	29,016
Commitments and contingencies	--	--
Shareholders' equity: Common stock $.01 par value per share:		
Authorized 50,000,000 shares,		
issued and outstanding:		
13,164,998 and 12,016,276 shares	132	120
Additional paid-in capital	72,652	60,707
Retained earnings	46,768	17,518
Total shareholders' equity	119,552	78,345
Total liabilities and		
shareholders' equity	$442,043	$295,420

INTELLIGENT ELECTRONICS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(In thousands)

Year ended Oct. 31	1990	1989
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income	$29,250	$10,571
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash		
provided by (used for) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	7,222	5,132
Provision for deferred taxes	790	(4,148)
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	145	--
Provision for losses on trade receivables	2,256	1,500
Changes in assets and liabilities		
net of effects from acquisitions:		
Receivables	30,025	(14,517)
Inventories	(39,903)	(19,784)
Other current assets	2,887	(2,683)
Accounts payable	112,298	7,836
Accrued liabilities	2,107	(8,471)
Debt issuance costs	(11)	(2,140)
Net cash provided by (used for) operating		
activities	147,066	(26,704)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Marketable securities	1,390	9,703
Acquisition of property and equipment,		
net of disposals	(3,646)	(1,856)
Purchase of net assets of Entre', including		
acquisition costs	--	(63,435)
Purchase of net assets of CPA, including		
acquisition costs, less cash acquired	--	(14,342)
Payment of contingent purchase price	(1,200)	--

Purchase of net assets of franchised center, less cash acquired	(2,735)	(2,461)
Tax benefit realized from acquired entities	1,991	8,822
Other	(584)	--
Net cash used for investing activities	(4,784)	(63,569)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Borrowings under subordinated loan agreements	--	45,000
Net borrowings under bank revolving line of credit	(27,736)	27,597
Repayment of subordinated debt and other borrowings	--	(23,935)
Net proceeds from shares issued in public offering	--	37,541
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	695	101
Proceeds from exercise of warrants	460	1,223
Reduction in capital lease obligations	(249)	--
Net cash (used for) provided by financing activities	(26,830)	87,527
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	115,452	(2,746)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	5,269	8,015
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	$120,721	$5,269

CONTACT: Stephanie D. Cohen of Intelligent Electronics, 215-458-6603

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Corroon & Black Corporation (NYSE: CBL) announced today the appointment of Johnny Thompson as chief administrative officer of Corroon & Black Corporation's national Construction Industry Division.

In his new post, Thompson will be responsible for the daily administrative activities of the Construction Industry Division. His appointment was announced by Douglas H. Judson, divisional executive vice president.

"As Corroon & Black continues to enhance its position as the nation's leading broker of construction insurance and surety bonds, the Construction Industry Division will play an ever- increasing role in Corroon & Black's future. We are pleased that Johnny has joined the construction division, where his skills and experience will allow him to make valuable contributions," Judson said.

Thompson has been with Corroon & Black Corporation for more than 12 years, and most recently served as chief financial and administrative officer for the Southeast region of the corporation's Brokerage Services Group. He has also held financial positions with Corroon & Black of Nashville, Inc. Thompson holds bachelors degrees in education and business administration from the University of Tennessee and is a certified public accountant. He is

president-elect of the National Association of Accountants.

Corroon & Black Corporation, now an operating division of Willis Corroon plc, is headquartered in New York City. Corroon & Black is one of the world's largest full-service insurance intermediaries, providing insurance brokerage, risk management services, reinsurance brokerage, and employee benefits, compensation, and actuarial consulting to individuals, local governments, professions, business and industry. It has offices across the United States and affiliated offices throughout the world. Willis Corroon (ADRs traded on NYSE, PSE: WCG) traces its origins to 1828, with the establishment in London of Henry Willis & Company. Its Corroon & Black Division was founded in 1905 in New York City.

CONTACT: C. Jackson Blair, first vice president of Corroon & Black, 212-363-4100, or Maripat Sexton of Hill and Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for Corroon & Black

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#90337p0274 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Three Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) executives have been elected vice presidents of the company effective Jan. 1, Chairman Harold A. Poling announced today.

They are Oscar B. Marx III who is appointed vice president - Automotive Components, and two Ford of Europe vice presidents - Albert Caspers and John A. Oldfield. Caspers continues as vice president - Engineering and Vehicle Manufacturing Group, Ford of Europe, and Oldfield continues as vice president - Product Programs and Powertrain Group, Ford of Europe.

Previously, Marx was executive director in charge of the Automotive Components activity. Reporting to him are the Climate Control Division, Electrical and Fuel Handling Division, Electronics Division, Glass Division, and Plastics and Trim Products Division.

Marx, who joined the company in 1962 as a financial analyst, has a broad management background with Ford. He has served as director of Diversified Products Analysis, controller of International Automotive Operations, and vice president - Finance, Ford of Europe.

He became managing director of Ford of Mexico in 1983, executive director of Business and Product Strategy for Diversified Products Operations in 1986 and executive director, Automotive Components, in 1987.

Caspers joined Ford of Germany in 1958 as a plant engineering trainee and has held a number of manufacturing and engineering positions in the company's European operations. He was named director of Body and Assembly Operations for Ford of Europe in 1983; vice president, Manufacturing Operations, in 1989; and

was named to his current position in August 1990.

Oldfield joined Ford of Britain as a draftsman in 1958 and has held various positions in product engineering and product development with Ford of Europe and with Ford of Brazil.

He served as executive director of Engineering at Ford World Headquarters in Dearborn from August 1985 to August 1986 before returning to Ford of Europe as a Product Development program director. He became executive director, Program Offices, in 1988; vice president, Product Development, in 1989, and was named to his current position in August 1990.

CONTACT: Tom Foote of Ford, (313) 322-9600.

-30- 2445

#90337p0275 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMINGTON, MINN. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Burnet Realty today announced it has purchased REALTY WORLD-TCF Realty, Inc., the state's fourth largest residential real estate company with more than 200 sales associates.

With the acquisition, Burnet Realty clearly cements its position as the largest homeseller in Minnesota.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Burnet Realty now becomes the leading residential real estate broker in Rochester, Minn. with sales of more than $135 million and three Rochester offices.

Burnet Realty also enters the St. Cloud, Minn. market as the dominant broker.

In the Twin Cities, the acquisition adds a strategically located Southdale office in Edina, Minn. and additional sales associates throughout the Twin Cities metropolitan area.

Burnet Realty is equally owned by Ralph Burnet and Dar Reedy, who were owners of the firm when it previously operated as Burnet Realty and was sold to Merril Lynch in 1982. On Feb. 19, 1990, Burnet and Reedy announced they had reached an agreement to repurchase the company.

With the acquisition, Burnet Realty, including its First Security Title division, has more than 2,100 sales associates and employees and 41 offices in the Twin Cities, Rochester and St. Cloud.

TCF Financial Corporation (TCF) is the holding company of TCF Bank Savings fsb the largest thrift and third largest banking institution headquartered in Minnesota. TCF's other affiliates include TCF Mortgage Corporation, TCF

Insurance and North Star Title.

CONTACT: Leonard MacKinnon of Burnet Realty, 612-884-1442; or Cathy Kennedy of Mona, Meyer & McGrath, 612-831-8515, for Burnet Realty.

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#90337p0276 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBURY, NY (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Olsten Corporation (AMEX: OLS) today announced it has completed the acquisition of Upjohn HealthCare Services, Inc. a subsidiary of The Upjohn Company. The acquisition increases the number of Olsten's health care offices to more than 275 and propels Olsten to the position of one of the top three health care providers in the industry.

"The health care environment has changed dramatically from the demand for institutional staffing to diversified home health care needs," said Frank N. Liguori, vice chairman and chief executive officer of The Olsten Corporation.

"This acquisition positions Olsten to better service the home health care market. Our full-blown network gives us a presence in every major metropolitan area in the U.S. and in Canada where Olsten has not previously provided service. We can now offer a truly international service network to our clients."

Health care services represents more than 30 percent of the company's sales. Under its health care division, Olsten provides a complete range of health care professionals, from registered nurses to home health aides and live-in companions, to hospitals, nursing homes, and other health care settings. Among its health care staff are physical and occupational therapists, speech pathologists, and medical social workers.

Founded in 1950 by William Olsten, who is chairman of the board, The Olsten Corporation is celebrating 40 years of service. Olsten, under its trade names Olsten Health Care Services and Olsten Temporary Services, is the third largest temporary help provider in the industry.

In 1989, it employed 325,000 temporary workers in business, industry, government, and health care throughout its network of 550 owned, franchised, and licensed offices in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Canada, and Puerto Rico; the acquisition will increase that number to 750.

Combined sales in 1989, including those of franchisees, equaled $761 million. Upjohn HealthCare Services accounted for $182 million in sales in 1989, and the acquisition of the Upjohn network is expected to propel Olsten's annualized sales in excess of $1 billion, with health care representing approximately 30 percent.

The company reported corporate revenues in 1989 of $580 million and net income

of $18 million and recently reported revenues of $456.5 million and net income of $12.3 million for the first nine months of 1990. Olsten's first public offering took place in 1968, and its shares began trading on the American Stock Exchange in 1982.

CONTACT: Bob Dawson of Creamer Dickson Basford, (212) 887-8263, for Olsten.

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#90337p0278 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CONN. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Industrial Gases Inc. (UCIG) (NYSE: UK) today announced that it has sold its 50 percent equity interest in LINCARE Inc. to LC Acquisition Corporation, a new corporation whose owners include the management of LINCARE. Other members of the investment group are Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe of New York; Summit Partners of Boston; and Dean Witter Capital Corporation of New York.

The remaining 50 percent, held by LINCARE management and others, was also sold to LC Acquisition Corporation. UCIG said LINCARE no longer fit its strategic plans.

Headquartered in St. Petersburg, Fla., LINCARE provides oxygen and medical equipment to those in need of respiratory therapy at home. LINCARE operates from 109 distribution centers, serving markets in 26 states. LINCARE concluded its most recent fiscal year on Dec. 31, 1989, with sales of more than $60 million.

The intention to sell the remaining interest in LINCARE was first announced on Sept. 27 as part of a series of management initiatives designed to enhance value for stockholders and strengthen businesses.

CONTACT: Tomm F. Sprick of Union Carbide, 203-794-6992

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#90337p9474 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PASADENA, CA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Avery Dennison Corp. (NYSE: AVY) elected Philip M. Neal to the position of president and chief operating officer, effective Dec. 1, 1990. Neal was also elected a board director, increasing the number of board members to 17. He will continue to report to Charles D. Miller, chairman and chief executive officer.

Neal, 50, is based at the Avery Dennison headquarters in Pasadena. He is responsible for guiding and directing the company's worldwide operations in implementing the key strategies designed to achieve long-term growth and profitability of the corporation.

Neal joined Avery in 1974 as controller and was named a year later as vice

president. He was promoted in 1979 to senior vice president, finance and chief financial officer. He was named group vice president, Materials North America, in 1988 and was elected to the position of executive vice president in March of this year.

Prior to joining Avery, Neal was associated with McKinsey & Co. in Los Angeles. He was graduated from Pomona College in 1964 with a degree in economics and received his master's degree in business administration from Stanford University in 1966.

Commenting on Neal's appointment, Miller stated: "Throughout the years I have worked with Phil, I have come to rely on his sound judgment, his excellent managerial skills and his ability to put into effective action the business strategies of the company. I am confident that he will continue to play an invaluable role in assisting me in the planning and execution of the corporation's goals and objectives."

Avery Dennison is a leading worldwide manufacturer of pressure- sensitive adhesives and materials; office products; product identification and control systems; and specialty chemicals. The company has approximately 19,000 employees in more than 250 manufacturing facilities and sales offices located in 30 countries.

CONTACT: Diane B. Dixon (media), 818-304-2118; or Wayne H. Smith (investors) 818-304-2001, both of Avery Dennison Corp.

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#90337p9478 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - PHP Healthcare Corporation (NASDAQ: PHPH), a major supplier of medical services for the Department of Defense and other government entities, reported a 28 percent increase in earnings before extraordinary items for its six month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, when compared to the first six months of the prior fiscal year. Earnings for the current six month period increased to $1.7CA million (49 cents per share) over $1.3 million (35 cents per share) before extraordinary items for the comparable six month period in the prior year. The increase in net earnings was even more favorable, increasing to $1.7 million (49 cents per share) over $549,000 (15 cents per share) for the comparable period in the prior year.

The company also achieved its highest quarterly revenues in its history. Revenues for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, increased 20 percent to $23 million over $19.1 million for the comparable quarter last year.

Management attributes its increasing strong performance to high demand for its services, evidenced by the commencement of five projects during the six month period. PHP is meeting demand for health care in five major areas; ambulatory care, medical staffing, mental health, long-term care and total managed care.

PHP HEALTHCARE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings
(Unaudited; in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31,		Six Months Ended Oct. 31,	
	1989	1990	1989	1990
Revenues:				
Contract revenue	$18,644	$22,690	$34,992	$45,262
Patient service revenue	500	291	991	611
Total revenues	19,144	22,981	35,983	45,873
Expenses:				
Direct contract costs	15,339	18,677	29,110	37,930
Patient service costs	437	338	834	612
Total direct costs	15,776	19,015	29,944	38,542
Gross profit	3,368	3,966	6,039	7,331
General and administrative expenses	1,761	2,285	3,553	4,033
Operating income	1,607	1,681	2,486	3,298
Other income (expenses):				
Interest expense	(214)	(298)	(318)	(562)
Miscellaneous income	9	13	18	34
Earnings before income taxes and extraordinary item	1,402	1,396	2,186	2,770
Income taxes	569	558	886	1,108
Earnings before extraordinary item	833	838	1,300	1,662
Extraordinary item:				
Shareholder suit settlement	--	--	(750)	--
Net earnings	833	838	550	1,662
Earnings (loss) per common share:				
Earnings before extraordinary item	$0.23	$0.24	$0.35	$0.49
Extraordinary item:				
Shareholder suit settlement	--	--	(0.20)	--
Net earnings	$0.23	$0.24	$0.15	$0.49
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	3,670	3,361	3,669	3,362

PHP HEALTHCARE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(Dollars in thousands)

	April 30, 1990	Oct. 31, 1990 (Unaudited)
Assets		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 1,820	363

Accounts receivable, net	14,474	15,585
Income tax receivable	142	--
Preoperation contract costs	58	43
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	791	1,320
Pharmaceutical and medical supplies	1,089	1,014
Deferred income tax charge	282	--
Total current assets	18,656	18,325
Property, plant and equipment, net of depreciation of $5,690 in April 30, 1990 and $6,463 at Oct. 31, 1990	10,451	9,691
Goodwill, net of amortization of $428 in April 30, 1990, and $469 in Oct. 31, 1990	951	910
Organization costs, net of amortization of $289 in April 30, 1990, and $279 in Oct. 31, 1990	23	13
Other assets	548	598
Total	30,629	29,537
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Current Liabilities:		
Current maturities of notes payable to bank	$ 3,898	1,737
Notes payable-other	31	255
Accounts payable	3,293	3,193
Accrued salaries and benefits	3,702	4,007
Billings in excess of costs	1,019	501
Income tax payable	--	685
Total current liabilities	11,943	10,378
Billings in excess of costs	2,775	913
Notes payable to bank, net of current maturities	9,754	10,383
Deferred lease obligation	229	269
Total	24,701	21,943
Minority interest	4	4
Stockholders' equity		
Preferred stock, $.01 par value, 500,000 shares authorized, none issued	--	--
Common stock, $.01 par value, 10,000,000 shares authorized, 5,158,194 shares issued at April 30, 1990, and Oct. 31, 1990	52	52
Additional paid-in capital	6,838	6,838
Retained earnings	2,574	4,236
Treasury stock, 1,812,566 shares at cost	(3,540)	(3,536)
Total	5,924	7,590
Commitments and contingencies	--	--
Total	$30,629	29,537

CONTACT: Charles H. Robbins, president and chairman, or Anthony M. Picini, vice president, finance, 703-998-7808, both of PHP Healthcare Corporation

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#90337p9480 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
EAST HARTFORD, CT (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Pratt & Whitney and International Aero Engines have announced the promotions of two executives.

Effective Jan. 1, 1991, Nicholas R. Tomassetti will become executive vice president of Pratt & Whitney's Commercial Engine Business. He is currently president of International Aero Engines (IAE), a five-nation consortium in which Pratt & Whitney is a major partner.

Tomassetti will report to Selwyn D. Berson, group vice president and president of Pratt & Whitney's Commercial Engine Business (CEB). He will work with Berson to provide leadership for worldwide marketing, engineering and customer and product support of P&W's commercial engines.

Tomassetti, who joined Pratt & Whitney in 1961, has held increasingly responsible positions in engineering, customer support and marketing. He succeeds Peter Chapman, who will be leaving the company at the end of this year.

Roland P. Dilda will succeed Tomassetti as president of IAE. He will report to the IAE executive board and be responsible for overall direction of IAE and its related business activities.

Dilda is currently vice president-strategic planning at Pratt & Whitney's Commercial Engine Business. Since joining Pratt & Whitney in 1964, he has served the company in engineering, customer support and marketing responsibilities.

Pratt & Whitney is a division of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX), headquartered in Hartford, Conn.

International Aero Engines is headquartered in Glastonbury, Conn. In addition to Pratt & Whitney, its member companies includes Rolls-Royce, MTU, Fiat and Japanese Aero Engines Corporation.

CONTACT: Mary Ellen Jones of Pratt & Whitney, 203-565-7413.

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#90337p9483 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - K-tel International, Inc. reported the results for its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. Consolidated net sales for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $6,805,000 which resulted in income of $345,000 before income taxes and extraordinary items. For the same period last year consolidated sales were $8,714,000 and income before income taxes and extraordinary items was $84,000.

The results for the current period included a $176,000 gain from the sale of the distribution assets and systems in the United Kingdom. Also, the increase in profits as compared to the prior period is partially a result of lower selling, general and administrative expenses due to the sale of the company's United Kingdom subsidiary's distribution assets and systems coupled with significant cost reductions in the United States. Results for the quarter are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year as a whole.

K-TEL INTERNATIONAL INC.
SUMMARY OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION
(In thousands, except per-share data)

	Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$6,805	$8,714
Income before income taxes and extraordinary item	345	84
Provisions for income taxes	(204)	(52)
Income before extraordinary item	141	32
Extraordinary item (a)	--	50
Net income	$141	$82
Income per share of common stock:		
Income before extraordinary item	$.04	$.01
Extraordinary item (a)	--	$.01
Net income	$.04	$.02
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,640	3,613

(a) Income tax benefit from net operating loss carryforward utilization.

CONTACT: Mark Dixon of K-tel, 612-559-6820

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LAPLACE, LA. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Bayou Steel Corp. (AMEX: BYX) today reported earnings for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30.

Net income for fiscal year 1990 was $243,000, or $.02 per common share, on sales of $184 million, compared to net income of $8.1 million, or $.63 per common share, on sales of $209 million in fiscal 1989.

Earnings were down primarily due to lower shipments and profit margins on steel structural shapes and billets. Decreases in selling prices and increases in unit manufacturing costs, due to reduced operations for part of the year in response to market conditions, reduced margins. Steel structural

shape shipments decreased to 411,660 tons in fiscal 1990 from 425,376 tons in fiscal 1989, while billet shipments decreased to 216,790 tons from 247,815 tons for the same periods.

Howard M. Meyers, president and chief executive officer, commented on Bayou's performance: "Our company's steel structural shape sales continue to feel the effects of a softened market. Increased competition, a larger supply of products in the market, and a hesitancy to buy shapes during a period of unstable prices have all contributed to the decrease in shape selling prices. In order to remain competitive and to sustain production volumes, we had to reduce prices, therefore shrinking our profit margins."

In further remarks, Meyers stated: "Billet prices were also significantly lower than last year. Subsidies by foreign governments to their steel-making industries have precipitated the decline in billet pricing. Consequently, we have curtailed billet production for resale and eliminated export billet shipments."

Additionally, in 1990, the company changed its method of determining the rate that interest expense is accrued on its Senior Secured Notes from the effective interest method to another acceptable method. The change had a favorable net effect on fiscal 1990 earnings of $978,000.

Bayou Steel Corp. operates a steel minimill producing structural steel products. Located on the Misssissippi River, the company operates four stocking locations along the inland waterway system at Pittsburgh, Chicago, Tulsa and Knoxville. The common stock of Bayou Steel Corp. is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol "BYX".

CONTACT: Richard J. Gonzalez, general manager of Finance for Bayou Steel, 504-652-4900

-30- 2564

#90337p9489 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTER, IND. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Canonie Environmental Services Corp. (NASDAQ: CANO) announced today that it is currently attempting to sell its analytical chemical laboratory in Stockton, Ca., and is conducting negotiations with several parties.

Canonie's president, Thomas A. Donovan, stated, "Due to the changing market, we do not believe having one laboratory is viable in today's business climate. Because of this and financial losses incurred by the laboratory over the past several quarters, we have made a management decision to sell our Stockton laboratory. We expect our company will continue to do the majority of its analysis in this laboratory in the future since we have staffed it with many qualified professionals and believe it to be a high-quality facility."

Canonie Environmental Services Corp. provides comprehensive services throughout the United States for remediation of sites contaminated by hazardous materials. The firm provides its clients with a complete range of services, including assessing the regulatory, technical and construction aspects of the problem; developing a strategic plan to solve the problem; and performing the necessary remediation and operation activities. Canonie Environmental Services Corp. is one of the few companies capable of providing such a broad range of services. The company has performed work at more than 100 project sites nationwide, including the management and control of remediation activities at various Superfund sites.

CONTACT: Lawrence D. Anderson, senior vice president-operations; or Leo G. MacKeller, senior vice president-administration and finance, 219-926-8651, both of Canonie Environmental Services Corp.

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#90337p9490 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Dian Williams, a 12-year veteran of Barnett Banks, has been named president of Barnett Bank of Nassau County, an $84-million-asset affiliate of Barnett Banks, Inc. (NYSE: BBI). Williams is the second woman in Barnett's history to head one of the organization's banking affiliates.

Williams most recently served as senior vice president and regional branch administrator with Barnett's Jacksonville affiliate. The long-time Jacksonville resident joined Barnett as a management associate and pursued a career in office management and commercial lending before moving into branch administration. She is a graduate of Wolfson High School in Jacksonville and holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of North Florida.

"We believe that Dian will be a strong force to continue the solid performance of the Nassau County bank," said Richard Jordan, Barnett's executive for the north region, which includes the Nassau County area. "Her familiarity with the North Florida area, as well as her years of banking experience and highly visible commitment to community service, is an ideal fit for this bank and its market."

In 1989, Williams received the Tribute to Women in Business and Industry (TWIN) Award from the YMCA, an award honoring women who have contributed to the success of their organization and to the community. In addition, Williams currently serves on the boards of the YMCA and Ronald McDonald House. She has previously held leadership positions in such local organizations as Willing Hands, Clay County Chamber and Blanding Business Council. She has also served on the Northern Florida Chapter of the Leukemia Society Board of Trustees and as a Loaned Executive to the United Way.

Williams and her husband Robert have two children.

Barnett Bank of Nassau County has three offices and encompasses the Fernandina and Amelia Island communities. It is affiliated with Barnett Banks, Inc., a $31-billion-asset organization with 590 offices in Florida and Georgia. Barnett is Florida's leading banking company and the 20th largest in the country.

CONTACT: Bob Stickler, 904-791-5437 (office), 904-396-9284 (home); or Russ Hoadley, 904-791-5013 (office), 904-260-4658 (home), both of Barnett Banks, Inc.

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#90337p9491 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, ILL. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph J. Ross, chairman of Federal Signal Corp. (NYSE: FSS), announced the signing of a definitive purchase agreement to acquire the businesses of Ravo Group B.V. of Alkmaar, Netherlands. Ravo manufactures and markets street sweeping equipment on a worldwide basis. It also directly sells and services its street sweepers and a line of German-made refuse vehicles in the Natherlands. Ravo employs approximately 115 people and has annual sales of approximately U.S.$20 million. Ravo will continue to operate under its current management and will work closely with Federal's Elgin Sweeper subsidiary. The transaction is expected to be completed within 30 days.

In announcing the purchase, Ross stated, ''The acquisition of Ravo accelerates the attainment of Federal's strategic goal of increasing its worldwide share of the street sweeping equipment market. Ravo's product line is an excellent complment to the products offered by Federal Signal's Elgin Sweeper Co. subsidiary and provides Federal with enhanced exposure to the rapidly growing markets of Europe and the Far East.''

Federal Signal Corp., listed on the New York Stock Exchange, is a manufacturer and worldwide supplier of public safety, signaling and communications equipment, fire trucks and street sweeping vehicles, parking control equipment custom on-premise signage, carbide cutting tools, precision punches and related die components.

CONTACT: Joseph J. Ross of Federal Signal Corp., 708-954-2000

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#90337p9496 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S) and the Dean Witter Financial Services Group announced that Sears indirect wholly-owned subsidiary, Discover Receivables Financing Group, Inc., filed today with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement for the issuance

and sale of $500 million of Discover Card Trust 1990 E Credit Card Pass-Through Certificates through an underwriting syndicate to be managed by Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co.

The principal asset of Discover Card Trust 1990 E will consist of credit card receivables generated or to be generated by the Discover Card. The certificates will represent undivided ownership interests in the trust.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

A copy of the prospectus, when available, may be obtained from Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., Two World Trade Center, New York, N.Y., 10048 or Goldman, Sachs & Co., Prospectus Department, 85 Broad St., New York, N.Y., 10004.

CONTACT: Gerald E. Buldak of Sears, Roebuch and Co., 312-875-8371

-30- 1783

#90337p9497 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The LTV Corporation (NYSE: QLTV) announced today that Richard J. Boyle has been elected corporate executive vice president, aerospace and defense and to the LTV board of directors.

The appointment of Boyle, 56, as president and chief executive officer of LTV Aerospace and Defense Company was announced on Nov. 28.

A veteran of 25 years in aerospace and defense, Boyle was previously corporate vice president, marketing and business development, of Honeywell Inc., Minneapolis.

He becomes the 13th member of the LTV board of directors. LTV is a diversified manufacturing company involved in steel, aerospace/defense and energy products.

CONTACT: James R. Bowman of LTV, 214-979-7981

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PARSIPPANY-TROY HILLS, NJ (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Two international corporations signed leases for office space totalling 13,000 square feet at

The Prudential Business campus. Drake Beam Morin, Inc. and Intel Corporation will become new tenants at the Campus, announced John Gregorits, general manager of the campus for The Prudential Property Company.

"We're pleased to welcome the regional offices of two international corporations to the campus," said Gregorits. "The campus has become a major attraction for Fortune 500 companies that want a suburban corporate environment and need quick access to international markets."

Drake Beam Morin, Inc., the largest career management consulting firm in the world, moved from Convent Station to approximately 9,000 square feet in Maple Plaza II. Drake Beam Morin provides outplacement services to businesses that must reduce their workforces.

"The Prudential Business Campus is a first class office park," said Gene Watkins, Drake Beam Morin senior vice president. "It's professional, convenient for our client companies and easy to get to. We love the building."

Intel Corp., the international microcomputer systems manufacturer, moved its sales office from Roseland to approximately 4,000 square feet in Arbor Circle South. Intel was co-founded in 1968 by Robert Noyce, the inventor of the silicon integrated circuit, or computer chip. Intel's campus sales office territory includes northern New Jersey and New York counties outside Manhattan.

"I look at a fair amount of real estate, and Arbor Circle is the most smashing building I've ever seen," said Clair Quaintance, regional business administrative manager for Intel.

In both transactions, Richard Baumstein, Thomas Semler, and Eugene Diaz represented The Prudential Business Campus. Drake Beam Morin was represented by Joseph Cabrera of The Galbreath Company and Intel Corp. by Dennis McConnell of Cushman & Wakefield.

Noted for its cultivated woodlands and award-winning building designs, The Prudential Business Campus is owned by a joint venture between The Prudential Property Company of Newark and US West Real Estate Inc. of Denver.

The 567-acre campus has 1.4 million square feet of office space in nine buildings. Tenants include Nabisco Brands, Aetna Insurance, BASF Corp., MCI, Corroon & Black, GAB Business Services, Legent Corporation, United Jersey Banks and The Prudential Eastern Group Operations.

CONTACT: Tony Cicatiello of CN Communications International, (201) 382-1066, for The Prudential Property Company.

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MIAMI (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines has received U.S. Bankruptcy Court approval for a joint real estate venture in Puerto Rico between the airline's subsidiary, Dorado Beach Development, Inc., and Cerromar Beach Corporation, a Hyatt Hotels affiliate.

The large-scale development, to be built in phases on the north shore of Puerto Rico west of San Juan, includes some 540 luxury residential homes and golf fairway villas, as well as a new master-planned 18-hole golf course and country club resort complex.

The 400-acre Hyatt/Eastern property borders the Hyatt Dorado Beach and Cerromar Beach Hotels, and includes a ten-acre oceanfront site for a future residential beach club.

Eastern has owned property in San Juan since the early 1970s when it acquired the Dorado Beach and Cerromar Beach Hotels. The hotel properties were sold in 1975, but the airline retained 280 acres of land.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, (305) 873-3773.

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#90337p9501 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Coldwell Banker Commercial Group, the nation's largest commercial real estate services firm, has appointed Ben F. Love, retired chairman and chief executive officer of Texas Commerce Bancshares Inc., to its Board of Directors.

The appointment was announced by James J. Didion, Coldwell Banker's chairman and chief executive officer.

"We are thrilled to have someone of Ben Love's stature on our Board," said Didion. "His reputation in the banking industry is unparalleled."

Love's position on the Board was formerly held by James F. Montgomery, chairman, Great Western Financial Corp.

"I have the highest regard for Coldwell Banker Commercial, and consider it the finest commercial real estate firm in the country," Montgomery said.

"Unfortunately, Great Western's extensive involvement in the commercial real estate field -- and our desire to continue doing business with Coldwell Banker Commercial -- could conceivably create at least the perception of a conflict of interest, which we felt was unacceptable to both companies."

Love, one of the most highly regarded and honored executives in the banking industry, assumed his position effective Nov. 13, 1990.

"I'm pleased to have the opportunity to serve one of the finest, most entrepreneurial companies in North America," Love said.

Coldwell Banker Commercial, headquartered in Los Angeles, is the nation's largest commercial real estate services company, with approximately 2,800 local brokerage specialists located in 90 offices across the United States. Services provided by the company include commercial real estate brokerage and management, mortgage banking, appraisal services, real estate investment banking, capital management and portfolio disposition.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Nov. 30, 1990.

All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields
(30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago Conventional
15-Year FRM	9.45	9.43	9.41
30-Year FRM	9.81	9.76	9.69
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	10.06	10.01	9.94
10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.			
Second Mortgages	9.420	9.430	9.470

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term) Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	8.65	8.60	9.05	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	8.90	8.85	9.30	2.000 pct.
1(A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	7.60	7.55	8.00	2.250 pct.
6 mos(A) (COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	7.70	7.65	8.05	2.125 pct.

(A)Rate reduction (B)11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM. Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs.

LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
November 29, 1990	9.125	8.516	8.375	8.188
October 30, 1990	7.938	8.063	8.063	8.063

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 11/30/90	Year to Date	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(A)	694.2	21,588.3	21,314.0
Purchases	690.3	21,523.4	19,536.0
MBS Issued	2,355.0	88,525.3	59,628.3

(A)Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. (NYSE: MER) today announced that John J. Phelan Jr., retiring chairman and chief executive officer of the New York Stock Exchange, will join its board of directors on Jan. 1, 1991.

Phelan, who previously had announced his decision to retire at the end of this year, has served as chairman and chief executive officer of the NYSE since May 1984. He is widely credited with guiding the exchange and the securities industry through one of its most turbulent periods.

"John Phelan has been an eloquent champion of the free-market system throughout the world," said chairman and chief executive officer William A. Schreyer. "His extensive experience and expertise in the global financial markets, as well as his outstanding reputation for integrity, will certainly be an asset to our board. We are delighted that he will be joining us."

Prior to being elected chairman and chief executive officer of the NYSE, Phelan served as its president and chief operating officer from 1980 to 1984, and as vice chairman of the NYSE board from 1975 to 1980. He has been associated with the securities industry for 35 years.

From 1986 to 1989, Phelan also served President Reagan as chairman of the presidential board of advisors on Private Sector Initiatives.

During his tenure as chairman and CEO of the NYSE, Phelan advanced the exchange's stature in the global securities markets, reinforced confidence in America's capital markets and developed new relationships with the international business community.

Phelan graduated magna cum laude from Adelphi University with a B.B.A. He holds honorary doctorates from Adelphi, Niagara, Notre Dame and Tulane Universities, Hamilton College and Polytechnic University of Brooklyn.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - BankAtlantic (NASDAQ-NMS: ASAL) is issuing the following statement in clarification of its news release of Friday, Nov. 30, 1990, titled "BankAtlantic Announces Rights Offering:"

BankAtlantic on Friday, Nov. 30, 1990, mailed to all common shareholders of record as of Nov. 19, 1990 an offer that permits its shareholders to purchase on a pro rata basis an aggregate of $1.3 million of subordinated debentures, and an aggregate of 2,033,370 shares of BankAtlantic common stock at a price of $2.50 per share. This offering is available only to common shareholders of record on Nov. 19, 1990 and not to depositors, capital noteholders or preferred shareholders. The offer expires on Dec. 27, 1990.

BankAtlantic, A Federal Savings Bank, has assets of $1.85 billion and 46 banking offices in Broward, Palm Beach and Dade counties. Established in 1952, and a public company since 1983, BankAtlantic common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the ticker symbol ASAL.

CONTACT: Alan B. Levan, chairman of BankAtlantic, 305-760-5317

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COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Banc One Corporation (NYSE: ONE), said today that fourth quarter 1990 earnings are expected to be five percent to ten percent above last year's reported $.64 per share despite a one-time $25 million charge that will be taken in the quarter by its Indiana affiliate in conjunction with Indianapolis commercial real estate.

John B. McCoy, chairman and chief executive officer, said "The $25 million provision to be taken this quarter is for obligations related to the Bank One Center in Indianapolis." Banc One Indiana Corporation is principal tenant in the building, now 60 percent leased, and has made commitments to the extent of the reserve amount in its role as principal tenant.

McCoy added, "The structure of the real estate transaction entered into in 1984 has put us into a position to limit exposure to the amount of this special provision, which reflects the foresight of the officers of American Fletcher Corporation, the predecessor company to Banc One Indiana Corporation." McCoy said, "This was a unique transaction and our policy remains not to own downtown real estate for main office locations." Banc One Corporation acquired American Fletcher in 1987.

This special reserve was necessitated by an impasse in negotiations between

the equity owners of the Bank One Center and the interim financing lenders. The owner of the building improvements is Monument Tower Associates Limited.

An affilitate of the Galbreath Company is the general partner of Monument Tower Associates Limited Partnership and an affiliate of Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. is the sole limited partner. The interim financing lead lender is Citicorp Real Estate Inc.

Separately, McCoy added, "The Comptroller of the Currency's examination of Banc One Corporation is essentially completed and no significant additional reserves are required as a result of the exam."

Banc One Indiana Corporation is an affiliate of Banc One Corporation which has assests of $28.4 billion and operates 51 affiliate banking organizations with 747 offices in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Texas, and Wisconsin.

Banc One Corporation also operates several additional affiliates that engage in travel, trust services, mortgage banking, consumer finance, equipment leasing, credit-related life insurance, investment management, data processing discount brokerage and venture capital activities.

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SOUTHFIELD, MI (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was released today by the law firm of Miller, Cohen, Martens & Ice, P.C.: The regional director for the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) in Detroit has charged the Days Hotel of Southfield with violating federal labor law.

The NLRB issued a complaint charging that the Days Hotel has illegally interfered with the rights of over 100 hotel workers by cutting their wages, health insurance and other benefits. The complaint was issued by the NLRB based upon unfair labor practice charges filed by Local 24, Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees International Union, AFL-CIO. Local 24 represents over 100 hotel workers at Days Hotel.

The NLRB charges that the Days Hotel has unlawfully terminated health insurance coverage, leaving the employees without insurance coverage. The NLRB also charges that the Days Hotel has:

- Deducted money from the paychecks of employees for health care benefits for their family members, but illegally converted it to their own use
- Refused to pay vacation monies - Refused to pay overtime
- Refused to pay proper wages according to the contract
- Refused to pay for personal leave, birthday, and anniversary days

The NLRB seeks a restraining order preventing the Days Hotel from continuing its illegal conduct and seeks to recover monies for all employees for lost wages, vacation pay, and other benefits, and for any expenses that they incurred as a result of the Days Hotel's failure to provide insurance coverage. The amount of monetary damages is likely to exceed $100,000. A hearing before an NLRB administrative law judge is set for March 4, 1991.

Because of the widespread nature of the illegal conduct and the financial instability of the Days Hotel, Local 24 requested the NLRB to seek an injunction in federal court ordering the Days Hotel to comply with the NLRB complaint until a final decision has been issued by the NLRB.

Florence Farr, secretary-treasurer of Local 24, was pleased with the NLRB's actions. "The NLRB's decision is an important step toward our victory against a greedy and law-breaking employer. Days Hotel will be taught the rule of law and pay dearly for it."

The Days Hotel is owned by Martin Fine, of New York City, who took over the Days Hotel in the fall of 1989. A copy of the NLRB complaint can be obtained from Local 24's attorneys, Miller, Cohen, Martens & Ice, P.C.

CONTACT: Florence Farr of the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees International Union, (313) 569-7090; or Bruce A. Miller or John G. Adam of Miller, Cohen, Martens & Ice, P.C., (313) 559-2110.

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#90337p9515 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - USG Corp. (NYSE: USG) today announced that its board of directors has elected Harold E. Pendexter Jr. to the post of senior vice president and chief administrative officer effective Jan. 1, 1991.

In his new role, he will oversee a variety of service functions including human resources, office facilities and services, government affairs, labor relations and regulatory affairs.

Pendexter began his career with United States Gypsum Co. in 1957 as employment supervisor at the company's Lisbon Falls, Maine, facility. He has since held numerous positions in human resources including personnel superintendent at three U.S. Gypsum Co. plants; management development manager; manager E.E.O. and training; director, human resources; and director, corporate personnel. In 1983, Pendexter was elected vice president, personnel and then in 1985 vice president, human resources. He was elected to his most recent position as senior vice president, human resources and administration, USG Corp., in 1988.

Pendexter holds a B.A. degree from Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine. He and his wife, Marcia, have three children and reside in Naperville, Ill.

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#90337p9516 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - "Big Six" professional services firm Arthur Andersen has acquired Payroll Tax Corp. (PTC) of Los Angeles, a full-service administrator of unemployment insurance claims and related activities: appeals processing, hearing attendance, and Appeals Board petitions.

PTC, whose staff has assisted California businesses for more than 20 years and currently serves nearly 900 employers statewide, will be integrated into Andersen's State and Local Tax practice. PTC clients include: Blue Cross of California, Home Club, Pacific Homes, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, Hoag Memorial Hospital, Tokai Bank, Independence Bank, the Jewish Federation and Council, and Heald College.

Ron Fulks, Andersen's western region director of State and Local Taxes, will oversee the development of the firm's expanded practice. Peter Del Monaco, director of Unemployment Tax Services and David Sleeper, manager, both unemployment tax specialists, will join former PTC President William Flayer to internally coordinate the activities and transitioning of the practice.

Chicago-based Arthur Andersen, which provides accounting, audit, tax and business consulting services is a member firm of Arthur Andersen & Co., S.C. With 56,800 personnel worldwide, the organization operates 298 offices in 66 countries.

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#90337p9517 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINTER PARK, FLA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Philip Crosby Associates, Inc., the quality management consulting firm, announced today that Philip B. Crosby, 64, who founded PCA 11 years ago, has requested that the Proudfoot board of directors permit him to retire from his role in management of the consulting firm effective Dec. 31, 1990. Crosby will continue to serve as consultant to the worldwide company, particularly in the creative areas.

"The company is well managed," Crosby said. "We started a succession plan back in 1983, and it has been implemented over the years. My desire is to concentrate more on writing and speaking about management issues, while cutting back on my travel schedule. I think executives should get out of organized operations by the time they are 65."

Larry McFadin, chairman and CEO of PCA, said "Phil will still be available to us on a regular basis, and we appreciated that. We recognize that he wants to be able to devote more time to his personal requirements."

Crosby served as chairman and chief executive of the firm from 1979 until 1987 when Larry McFadin became CEO. In 1985, the company went public and in 1989 was acquired by Alexander Proudfoot PLC. Both Crosby and McFadin joined the Proudfoot board at that time. In 1989, Crosby resigned as chairman of PCA and was given the title of founder chairman. He is now retiring from both the PCA and the Proudfoot boards.

Crosby, who has written eight books, has another one in process and continues to write articles while he maintains a reduced speaking schedule. He lives in Winter Park, Fla. with his wife Peggy.

CONTACT: Jim Bram of Philip Crosby Associates, Inc., 407-645-1733; or Philip Crosby, 407-623-3640 or 407-644-6146

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#90337p9521 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDISON, N.J. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - KCS Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: KCSG) today reported its net income per share from continuing operations for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 rose 104 percent compared to fiscal 1989.

Net income for the fiscal year just ended was $2,402,000, or $1.37 per share, compared to $1,214,000, or 67 cents per share from continuing operations in the 1989 fiscal year. Net income for 1989 also contained $4.71 per share related to discontinued propane operations which was primarily the result of the gain on the sale.

Fourth quarter net income was $297,000, or 17 cents per share, compared to a break-even result in fiscal 1989 from continuing operations. Operating revenues for the fourth quarter increased 19 percent to $18,663,000 compared to $15,715,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

KCS Group also reported a 47 percent increase in its prove natural gas reserves over fiscal 1989. At Sept. 30, proved natural gas reserves totaled 24.1 billion cubic feet compared to 16.4 billion cubic feet at the end of fiscal 1989, the result of acquisitions, new discoveries and development of existing fields.

According to James W. Christmas, president, "KCS Group is now entirely focused on the energy business and all of our operating units were profitable in fiscal 1990." He said the corporation's future is in gas and oil exploration, production, transportation and marketing and that the recent acquisition of a 150-mile gas transmission pipeline in Texas "shows our long-term commitment to

energy." He said KCS Group "will continue to evaluate additional energy acquisitions that complete our business strategy."

Operating revenues for the 1990 fiscal year were $72,227,000 compared to $73,080,000 in fiscal 1989. Christmas said the slight revenues decline was due primarily to "a change in the sales mix of our marketing subsidiary."

He said KCS intends to concentrate on its natural gas operations "since new environmental regulations and the higher price of oil should measurably increase the demand for natural gas."

Christmas said operating income from oil and gas exploration and production was more than double the previous year and that gas marketing contributed significantly to operating income compared to a loss in 1989. Natural gas transportation accounted for only a minor part of operating income, he said, but pointed out that the 150-mile Texas transmission pipeline was not acquired until the end of the fiscal year.

"We now have about 40 percent of our $51 million of assets in natural gas transportation, 27 percent in oil and gas exploration and production and 23 percent in gas marketing," he said.

KCS Group, headquartered in Edison, has subsidiaries in gas and oil exploration and production, gas gathering and transmission, field services and marketing as well as an energy consulting unit.

KCS GROUP, INC.

Fiscal year ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$72,227,000	$73,080,000
Operating income (loss)	1,809,000	(508,000)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	3,524,000	1,860,000
Federal and state income taxes	1,122,000	646,000
Income from continuing operations	2,402,000	1,214,000
Income from discontinued operations	--	8,472,000(A)
Net income	$ 2,402,000	$ 9,686,000
Net income per share:		
From continuing operations	$1.37	$0.67
From discontinued operations	--	4.71
Net income per share	$1.37	$5.38
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	1,754,674	1,799,784
Quarter ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$18,663,000	$15,715,000
Operating income (loss)	145,000	(151,000)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	382,000	--
Federal and state income taxes	85,000	--

Income from continuing operations	297,000	--
Income from discontinued operations	--	6,934,000(A)
Net income	$ 297,000	$ 6,934,000
Net income per share:		
From continuing operations	$0.17	$ --
From discontinued operations	--	3.86
Net income per share	$0.17	$3.86

(A) -- Includes after-tax gain of $8 million on the sale of assets of propane business.

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#90337p9524 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAGUNA NIGUEL, CALIF. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Optimumcare Corp. (NASDAQ: OPMC) which operates psychiatric care and chemical dependency units nationwide, announced today that its board of directors has approved resolutions further extending the expiration date of Optimumcare Corp.'s Class A Warrants to Dec. 6, 1991.

Edward A. Johnson, president, said that Optimumcare Corp. intends to file next year a Post-Effective Amendment to its Registration Statement on Form-S-18 to reflect the extension of the Class A Warrants. A copy of the prospectus will be provided to each holder of Optimumcare Corp. Units and/or Class A Warrants upon effectiveness with the SEC. Thereafter, holders of units and/or Class A Warrants will be entitled to exercise their warrants to purchase shares of the company's common stock at the original exercise price of $1.10 per share until the expiration date.

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#90337p9526 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, W.VA. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Petroleum Development Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: PETD) (PDC) announced today that it has completed the refinancing of its principal line of credit with Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co.

The refinancing resulted in an immediate reduction in the outstanding loan balance from $11.5 million to $4.75 million. Manufacturers Hanover also received options to purchase 2,750,000 shares of PDC common stock. The loan was previously held by Pittsburgh National Bank.

James N. Ryan, chairman of the board of PDC said the refinancing will

significantly reduce future interest and principal payments required of the company, and the debt reduction will result in record profits for 1990. Earnings in future years will also be enhanced by the significant redution in the borrowing level and interest expense.

Ryan also said that the strengthening of the company associated with the refinancing, along with the company's increasingly successful public drilling program offerings should substantially improve the company's future growth prospects.

Petroleum Development Corp., a leading Appalachian independent oil and gas company, is headquartered in Bridgeport, W.Va., and is engaged in the business of exploring for, developing and producing oil and natural gas. Petroleum Development's common stock is trading in the NASDAQ National Market with the symbol PETD.

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#90337p9529 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Unocal Corporation (UCL) (NYSE: UCL) board of directors today declared a regular dividend of 17-1/2 cents per share on the common stock of the company.

The dividend is payable Feb. 11, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 10, 1991.

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#90337p9531 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
WELLESLEY, MASS. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - David J. Beaubien, EG&G's senior vice president for New Business Development today announced that he would retire at the end of this year. Beaubien joined EG&G (NYSE: EGG) in 1967 through the acquisition of Cambridge Systems, Inc., a meteorological instrument firm which he had founded a decade earlier. It was one of EG&G's earliest acquisitions and formed the management core for many of the company's activities in the environmental sciences.

Over the years, Beaubien directly served three generations of EG&G CEO's, heading a variety of the company's innovative growth initiatives. In commenting on the announcement, CEO John Kucharski said, "Dave was responsible for EG&G's early successes in its venture capital activities, as well as directing the company's acquisition program for nearly 20 years. Many of our more substantial divisions were orginially brought into the EG&G family under Dave's direction. Dave will continue to serve EG&G as a consultant to the corportion and serve as a board member for some of our subsidiary companies

and joint venture interests."

Beaubien currently is a director of the Kidder Peabody Family of Mutual Funds as well as several private high-tech companies, and intends to maintain an active business schedule.

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#90337p9535 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Giuseppe Garofano, chairman of the new Montedison, which is being formed by the merger of Montedison and Ferruzzi Agricola Finanziaria, speaking at a conference of financial analysts here today, announced the following financial estimates for fiscal year 1990 and forecasts for fiscal years 1991 and 1992.

For 1990, the company estimated total sales of $13.5 billion and gross operating profits of $1.55 billion. Sales from the company's chemicals sector will be approximately $5 billion, with gross operating profits of approximately $750 million, while the company's agro- industrial sector will achieve sales of approximately $8.5 billion and gross operating profits of approximately $800 million.

For fiscal year 1991, the company forecast chemical sales of $5.7 billion and agro-industrial sales of $9 billion, for a total of $14.7 billion. Gross operating profits are forecast at $1.9 billion, with $1 billion to come from the chemicals sector and $900 million from the agro-industrial sector.

For fiscal year 1992, the company forecast chemical sales of $6.5 billion and agro-industrial sales of $9.5 billion, for a total of $16 billion. Gross operating profits are forecast at $2.2 billion, with $1.2 billion to come from the chemicals sector and $1 billion from the agro-industrial sector.

Garofano stated, "The $6.5 billion in 1992 sales that we forecast from our chemicals sector, which has been renamed Montecatini, will be helped by investments of about $2 billion which we have made in the last two years, which include expanding our capacities in existing plants and the applications of our new technologies.

"With the Enimont sale behind us, we will have a much sounder portfolio and all the tools for a successful future, which include countercyclical and stable businesses to provide recession resistant qualities to our company."

The Ferruzzi Group is a leading international industrial system which operates through Montedison in the chemical, pharmaceutical and energy sectors, as well as in the agro-industrial sector, with an aggregate turnover of approximately $30 billion.

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#90337p9538 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Sun Refining and Marketing Co. said today it will cease manufacturing naphthenic lube oils during the first quarter of 1991, when it closes its naphthenic lube plant at its refinery in Marcus Hook, Pa.

The Sun Co. (NYSE: SUN) subsidiary said the decision was the result of growing concerns about the future economic attractiveness of the naphthenic lubes business as well as escalating capital costs to modernize the aging plant and to comply with new and emerging environmental regulations.

Naphthenic lubes are used as transformer oils and metalworking oils and are also components of synthetic rubber and inks. The Sun plant makes 5,000 barrels a day, representing about 11 percent of the U.S. naphthenic lube market but less than 1 percent of the company's total sales volume. The closing of the naphthenic lube oil plant is expected to have minimal impact on the company's ongoing financial results, although there will be a one-time charge of $4 million after tax associated with the plant's closure.

Sun said it will be able to supply the majority of its naphthenic customers from inventory through the first quarter of 1991, but will exit the naphthenic lubes business when its inventory is exhausted.

The company said the closing will not affect its manufacture of Sunoco motor oils and other lubricating oils and specialty products, which are produced through a different process at facilities in Tulsa, Okla., and Yabucoa, Puerto Rico.

The company said it is in the process of discussing with employees and union leadership the impact of the shutdown with the aim of minimizing any adverse effect on the employees involved in the closing.

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TORONTO (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Horsham Corporation (NYSE: HSM) today announced that Clark Oil & Refining Corporation, its 60-percent- owned subsidiary, concluded an agreement for a two-year $150 million committed line-of-credit facility with a syndicate of international banks led by Bankers Trust Company, New York. The other banks participating in the syndicate are

Bank Brussels Lambert, Toronto- Dominion Bank, Swiss Bank Corporation, SkopBank of Helsinki, Finland and National City Bank of Cleveland.

"We are very pleased to have concluded this facility with a strong international banking syndicate," said Paul D. Melnuk, executive vice-president and chief financial officer of Horsham. "The ability to complete this financing in the current banking environment reflects Clark's growing operational and financial strength," he said.

The line-of-credit facility will be used by Clark to finance the purchase of crude oil and other petroleum products for its refining and marketing operations. The facility replaces a $125 million interim facility that had been provided to Clark through Horsham.

The Horsham Corporation is a major North American company listed on the New York, Toronto and Montreal stock exchanges under the ticker symbol HSM.

CONTACT: Paul D. Melnuk, executive vice-president, chief financial officer, 314-854-9648; or Belle Mulligan, 416-924-6665, of Horsham

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HOUSTON (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Battle Mountain Gold Co. (NYSE: BMG) said today that Colorado State District Court Judge Robert Ogburn has ruled in favor of its water rights change of use and augmentation plan. The decision clears the way for a pre-Christmas start-up of the 60,000 ounce per year gold mine located in Costilla County, Colo., pending construction completion.

BMG Chairman Karl E. Elers said he is delighted with the Dec. 1 decision which will allow the project to proceed without further delay.

Project Manager Gary Dodson, said the decision preserves the quantity of water historically used on the ranch so that at the end of mine production, the water can be returned to the ranch without any substantial loss in irrigated acreage. "This is a benefit to both Battle Mountain and to the community, because farm land will not have to be permanently taken out of production," Dodson noted.

The water rights proceedings, which included five days of testimony, allowed all interested parties and the community to have a final review of the environmental safeguards built into the project prior to the decision.

Battle Mountain Gold common stock trades under the symbol BMG on the New York Stock Exchange, the Australian Stock Exchange Limited, the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, the Swiss Stock Exchanges and the Toronto Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Les Van Dyke of Battle Mountain Gold Co., 713-653-7248

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Despite continuing patterns of harassment and intimidation by striking employees, The Daily News continues to expand its ability to distribute the paper on a daily basis.

In the first two weeks of the strike, the News was limited to the use of 15-25 trucks serving about 400 retail outlets. Today, there are 97 trucks on regular routes serving 3,183 dealers throughout the city's five boroughs.

The growth of retail dealers handling the Daily News is as follows: Week of Nov. 12 1,859 dealers Week of Nov. 19 1,962 dealers Week of Nov. 26 2,141 dealers Week of Dec. 4 3,183 dealers In addition, there are now eight wholesalers handling 48,900 papers daily for retail outlets in areas contiguous to the city.

Today, as a result of a federal court order requiring that the MTA permit sales of The Daily News in the subway, as is allowed for all other newspapers, The News was sold by hawkers in both the five borough subway system and the Long Island Railroad. (Dealers who operate in the subways have refused to handle The Daily News because of fear of physical harm to themselves and their businesses.)

In the 13 of the 17 sales locations on the LIRR, sales were conducted without incident. However, hawkers were physically abused and harassed, sales were obstructed, and papers were stolen by striking employees at these four locations.

Law enforcement officers at the scene ignored the incidents of harassment and refused to respond to calls for help. The officers involved have been identified and appropriate legal actions are being taken to insure adequate law enforcement.

Sales in the subways occurred in each location where The News was permitted to be sold. Sales were conducted without incident.

Today, hawkers sold in excess of 200,000 copies of The Daily News. "We are delighted at the success of today's sales in the subways, on the LIRR, and at street locations," said John Sloan, vice president of Human Resources.

The hawkers program will be expanded tomorrow and in the days ahead. "New Yorkers want their Daily News and these efforts will help ensure that they get it," Sloan added.

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PITTSBURGH (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Edward M. Romanoff has joined Cyclops Industries Inc. (NYSE: CYC) as director-public relations, the company announced today.

Romanoff formerly was senior staff vice president of public relations at Pittsburgh-based Allegheny International Inc. (AI), a consumer products company now called Sunbeam-Oster. Prior to joining AI, Romanoff worked for television stations in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia and in corporate public relations for the E.I. DuPont de Nemours & Co. Inc. and The Standard Oil Co. (Ohio). He also worked for the Washington, Pa., Observer-Reporter newspaper. A Washington, Pa., native, Romanoff holds degrees from Washington & Jefferson College and Northwestern University.

He replaces Susan K. Breon, who will remain with Cyclops until early 1991, when she will relocate from the Pittsburgh area.

Cyclops Industires Inc. is a producer of flat-rolled stainless and carbon steel, specialty steels and tubular products; and also manufactures and erects metal panels and curtain wall for nonresidential buildings.

CONTACT: Susan K. Breon of Cyclops Industries, 412-571-6331

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Oversight Board for the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) announced today the appointment of Kurt W. Wierschem as vice president of oversight and evaluation effective Dec. 16.

As vice president of oversight and evaluation, Wierschem will head the division that oversees RTC operations, including policy impact and compliance, performance standards and progress measurement.

Wierschem comes to the Oversight Board from the RTC's Eastern Regional Office where he served as the supervisory managing agent of all conservatorship thrifts in Florida and Puerto Rico. Wierschem also was the managing agent of two seized Florida savings and loans -- CenTrust of Miami and Commonwealth Federal of Fort Lauderdale -- where he supervised the operations, asset downsizing and resolution process.

"Mr. Wierschem's first-hand knowledge of RTC's operations provides key experience essential to heading the oversight area," said Peter H. Monroe, president of the Oversight Board. "Wierschem also will provide valuable insight into the workings of the thrift industry that he gained from years of experience in the private sector."

Prior to joining the RTC in 1989, Wierschem spent 14 years in the thrift and banking industries where he held senior positions in both operations and lending areas. His experience includes serving as Southeast division manager and senior vice president for California Federal Bank of Ft. Lauderdale from 1988 to 1989; banking division manager and executive vice president for Security First Federal of Daytona Beach from 1984 to 1988; and division manager of consumer services for Empire Savings and Loan of Denver from 1975 to 1984.

From 1973 to 1975, Wiershem was a senior loan officer for Government Employees Financial Corporation, a subsidiary of GEICO Insurance. Wierschem also worked as a collection manager for Chrysler Credit Corporation in Denver from 1971 to 1973. Before working for Chrysler, he served four years as a captain in the U.S. Air Force, including a tour in the combat zones of Southeast Asia.

The Oversight Board formulates the policy, approves the funding and provides the general oversight of the RTC, the agency responsible for resolving the nation's failed thrifts.

CONTACT: Art Siddon or Felisa Neuringer of the Oversight Board, Resolution Trust Corporation, 202-786-9672

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KILLINGTON, VT. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - S-K-I Ltd. (NASDAQ: SKII), today announced a first quarter loss of $0.62 per share, compared to a loss of $0.68 last year, for the three months ended Oct. 28, 1990. Historically, S-K-I reports a loss during the first quarter as preparations are made for the upcoming ski season.

Revenues for the quarter were $4,158,399 compared to $4,751,331 for the same period in the prior year. Last year's revenues, however, included $650,000 from the sale of real estate. There were no real estate sales during the first quarter this year.

Preston Leete Smith, president and chief executive officer of S-K-I pointed out that, "Expenses for the quarter were reduced by 9 percent this year because we managed spending in such a way as to remain flexible in our commitments as the upcoming season unfolds."

"The sale of season passes and reservations for this season are ahead of last year and demonstrate continued strong support in the marketplace for the dependable product produced by our superior snowmaking systems," Smith noted. S-K-I's areas were all among the earliest to open this season.

At Bear Mountain, a new, high speed detachable quad chairlift, the first of

four new lifts recently approved for the area, is scheduled to be completed before the Christmas holiday. "Response to this 34 percent increase in capacity has already materialized in the sale of season passes and with volume up substantially at Bear in November," Smith commented. Construction has been completed on a new quad chairlift at Mount Snow which will increase capacity there by 10 percent.

Smith added, "Although we are being cautious, our marketing and snowmaking strategy is to aggressively support the position of industry leadership S-K-I has established over the past 30 years."

S-K-I LTD.
Fiscal 1991 First Quarter Results

Quarter ended	10/28/90	10/29/89
Revenues	$ 4,158,399	$ 4,751,331
Net Loss	(3,545,236)	(3,886,959)
Net Loss Per Share	$(.62)	$(.68)

CONTACT: Robert Jones of Morgen-Walke Associates, 212-986-5900

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#90337p9563 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTIAGO, CHILE (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Compania de Telefonos de Chile S.A. ("CTC") (NYSE: TCH) today announced that it has signed an investment agreement with International Finance Corporation ("IFC"), an affiliate of The World Bank. Under the agreement, IFC will loan CTC up to $80 million for use by the company in implementing its line-expansion development plan.

The investment agreement provides CTC with a senior loan of up to $60 million to be repaid semiannually on each March 15 and Sept. 15 through the year 2000 in essentially equal principal installments, commencing in 1994. Interest on the senior loan will accrue at 1-3/4 percent above LIBOR per annum. Further, the agreement provides CTC with a subordinated loan of up to $20 million to be repaid in two payments on Sept. 15, 1999 and 2000. Interest on the subordinated loan will accrue at LIBOR and at an additional rate ranging from zero to 6 percent tied to a corresponding range of CTC's net income from zero to more than $180 million per annum.

CTC covenants to IFC under the agreement to maintain a current ratio of not less than 1.0, a debt-to-equity ratio of not more than 1.25 and to pay dividends not exceeding its current dividend policy (80 percent of net income for any year and 60 percent of net income for any quarter).

On a separate matter, CTC announced that it has successfully completed a renegotiation of covenants regarding required numbers of telephone lines in service as discussed in the prospectus for the sale of its ADRs in the U.S. which closed on July 27, 1990. At a special meeting of its bondholders in

Santiago today, the following new schedule for lines in service was unanimously approved:

-- Dec. 31, 1990 - no requirement -- Dec. 31, 1991 - 860,000 lines -- Dec. 31, 1992 - 1,010,000 lines -- Dec. 31, 1993 - 1,200,000 lines At Dec. 31, 1989, CTC had 645,863 lines in service and by Oct. 31, 1990 that number had grown to 764,232 telephone lines in service.

CTC also noted that a third quarter dividend of $0.19 per ADR was paid on Nov. 15, 1990 to holders of record of its ADRs on Oct. 24, 1990.

Compania de Telefonos de Chile S.A., the first South American company to list its shares on the New York Stock Exchange, is the largest telecommunications enterprise in Chile, owning approximately 94 percent of all telephone lines in the country. The company's principal business is providing local telephone services to 77 percent of the country where 92 percent of Chile's population resides, and provides domestic long-distance telephone services. Additionally, the company operates a cellular network in the two principal metropolitan areas of Chile, Santiago and Valparaiso. CTC is also expanding businesses not currently subject to Chilean tariff regulations, including public telephones, cellular telephones and private systems and equipment.

CONTACT: Jaime Charles, vice president of Compania de Telefonos de Chile, (Santiago) 011-56-2-696-1147; or Tim Cobb and Robert Ferris of Gavin Anderson Doremus & Company, 212-921-1060, for Compania de Telefonos.

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#90337p9565 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Stone & Webster people in Saudi Arabia -- like employees of other U.S. companies there -- regularly visit troop units in the desert in an effort to provide a link with the outside world. Stone & Webster added a new wrinkle by using its facsimile machines to send soldiers' letters to the United States, and to receive replies. There is no charge to the troops for this service.

The following report is from the manager of the S&W office in Dammam to Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation headquarters in Boston:

"On Fridays, a weekend day here, our 'desert patrol' loads our four-wheel-drive vehicles with ice, soft drinks, candy, newspapers, paperbacks and sports equipment, strikes out about 5:30 a.m. We visit the encampment and distribute our cargo, chat with the troops, and try to help out in any way that we can. For example, we routinely bring the soldiers' film back to town from processing and return the prints the following week.

"Perhaps the service the troops appreciate the most is the transmission of letter home by fax. The letters are sorted geographically and faxed on Friday

evening (Friday mornings in the States) to the Houston office. There the letters are placed in envelopes and mailed out that same day. The soldiers' families are given our fax number in Dammam to respond if they wish, and the desert patrol delivers any return mail when it makes its next rounds.

"The fax letters were a real blessing for one batallion in mid- October. There had been a fire in the mail tent that week which destroyed a large amount of incoming mail. The appreciation of the troops made that particular day especially rewarding for the desert patrol."

Stone & Webster has nearly 200 employees based at Dammam, located in Saudi Arabia's eastern province. That office is working for a variety of clients on refinery, petrochemical and electric power jobs. S&W did not reduce the scope of its operations after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait in August.

The fax-mail service has drawn a number of letters of appreciation, both from the troops and from their families.

CONTACT: Martin Reynolds of Stone & Webster, 617-589-1905

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#90337p9574 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWOOD, MASS. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Microcom (NASDAQ: MNPI) today announced that its popular Virex(R) anti-virus software has been updated to combat the emergence of three new Macintosh viruses. The new viruses, which cause system crashes and damage application and system files, bring the total number of known Macintosh viruses to 29. The three new viruses are strains of the ZUC virus and nVIR viruses.

"Virex customers discovered the 'MODM' and 'zero' viruses," stated Robert Capon, vice president of Microcom's Utilities Product Group. "The powerful generic nVIR feature integrated within Virex successfully detected and treated the viruses, and our customers promptly reported the viruses to us."

Similar in structure to the 'ANTI' virus, the ZUC virus infects applications and causes the cursor to drift diagonally across the screen. Once the infection reaches the Finder, control of the cursor becomes impossible. The new strain of the ZUC was discovered in Italy.

"The discovery of the new variation of the ZUC virus indicates there is still an ongoing problem with new Macintosh virus strains. We will continue to provide protection against all known viruses," added Capon.

The two new variants of the nVIR virus, 'MODM' and 'zero' infect applications and system files, causing system crashes.

Explains Capon, "The generic nVIR feature of Virex gives users the security of

knowing they are automatically protected from future nVIR variants."

Microcom will begin shipping Virex Version 2.84 immediately. Registered Virex users are eligible to purchase an update for $15 or can subscribe to Microcom's Annual Update Service for $75. The suggested retail price of Virex remains $99.95.

Virex was recently updated in October to Version 2.83 to combat 'ANTI-O,' an ANTI clone. Introduced in November 1988, Virex was the first commercial anti-virus software for the Macintosh. Since that time, Virex has been updated on more than 19 separate occasions to combat new viruses an to unveil new product features.

The Utilities Product Group, formerly known as HJC Software, Inc., was acquired by Microcom, Inc., of Norwood, Mass. in December 1989. The Utilities Product Group now includes Complete Undelete(tm) and Microcom 911 Utilities(tm) recovery software. Virex was developed and updated by Robert Woodhead, an internationally recognized authority on computer viruses. The Virex INIT was developed and updated by Walter J. Biess.

CONTACT: Robert Capon of Microcom, 919-490-1277 or Teri Bruno of White & Cromer, 714-752-2216

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#90337p9575 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Fifteen Nuveen closed-end municipal bond funds today declared federally tax-free dividends, as follows:

STOCK SYMBOL	AND FUND	DIVIDEND PER SHARE
NUV	Nuveen Municipal Value Fund, Inc.	$ .0595(A)
NCA	Nuveen California Municipal Value Fund, Inc.	$ .0550(A)
NNY	Nuveen New York Municipal Value Fund, Inc.	$ .0563(A)
NMI	Nuveen Municipal Income Fund, Inc.	$ .0700(A)
NCM	Nuveen California Municipal Income Fund, Inc.	$ .0655(A)
NNM	Nuveen New York Municipal Income Fund, Inc.	$ .0675(A)
NPI	Nuveen Premium Income Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0900(A)
NPP	Nuveen Performnce Plus Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0850(A)
NCP	Nuveen Cal. Performance Plus Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0850(A)
NNP	Nuveen NY Performance Plus Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0875(A)
NMA	Nuveen Municipal Advantage Fund, Inc.	$ .0910(A)
NMO	Nuveen Municipal Market Opportunity Fund, Inc.	$ .0910(A)
NCO	Nuveen Cal. Municipal Market Opportunity Fund, Inc.	$ .0850(A)
NNO	Nuveen NY Municipal Market Opportunity Fund, Inc.	$ .0875(A)
NQM	Nuveen Investment Quality Municipal Fund, Inc.	$ .0890(A) (A)

The previous dividends of these Nuveen closed-end funds, declared in November, were the same as those declared today.

The dividends declared today are payable Dec. 31 to shareholders of record Dec. 15. The ex-dividend date for all funds is Dec. 10. These funds are all closed-end municipal bond funds paying monthly dividends that are exempt from federal income taxes. In addition, dividends paid by the California and New York Funds listed above are also exempt from state income taxes for residents of those states. Earnings of the funds include income from private activity bonds, which may be subject to the Alternative Minimum Tax for some individuals.

All of the funds are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, except for the Nuveen New York Municipal Income Fund, Inc., which is listed on the American Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Heidi Holverson of John Nuveen & Co., 312-917-7790

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#90337p9581 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was released today by the Wayne County Executive's Office:

At approximately 1:45 p.m. today (Dec. 3), there was a collision between two aircraft at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport.

A Northwest 727 (flight No. 299) with 146 passengers collided with a Northwest DC-9 (flight No. 1482) with 39 passengers and five crew members.

The collision occurred on the ground on runway 3C. All passengers on flight No. 299 were evacuated. Rescue efforts have been taking place for flight No. 1482.

A family center has been opened at the Romulus Ramada Inn. Any questions concerning passengers aboard flight No. 1482 can be referred to 313-942-5200. Passengers that were not injured were taken to the Marriott Garden Room.

Flight No. 1482 originated in Chicago, stopped in Detroit and was enroute to Pittsburgh.

Flight No. 299, which was safely evacuated, originated in Detroit and was scheduled to fly to Memphis.

The roads remain open and the airport reopened at 2:51 p.m. with one runway operating.

Information regarding the status of injuries and passengers is being gathered as quickly as possible.

CONTACT: Irma Clark of the Wayne County Executive's Office, 313-942-5283, or

313-942-5284

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#90337p9586 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - "Calvin Klein Cosmetics Company has always represented high standards and consumer acceptance without sacrificing product quality or safety and we share everyone's concern for the impact consumer packaged goods have on the environment. We are actively developing long-range strategies to address a number of environmental issues," said Lucille Van Baaren, regulatory affairs for Calvin Klein Cosmetics Company.

Van Baaren cited several examples of how Calvin Klein Cosmetics Company is taking steps to evaluate its role in conservation, including developing ways to reduce waste material, minimalizing the impact of its packaging on the environment, encouraging recycling programs as an effective way to reduce waste and supporting research in all disciplines that identifies alternatives. "Calvin Klein Cosmetics Company supports all efforts to preserve our environment and encourages participation in recycling and other community-sponsored programs," she said.

Calvin Klein Cosmetics Company, the New York based manufacturer of Calvin Klein fragrances, including Obsession, Obsession for Men, Eternity and Eternity for Men, is a unit of Unilever United States, Inc., the Anglo-Dutch Unilever Group's holding company for its businesses within the United States.

CONTACT: Karla Bausman of Calvin Klein Cosmetics, 212-759-8888

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#90337p9587 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
JACKSON, MISS. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobile Telecommunication Technologies Corporation International (NASDAQ: MTTL) announced today that William H. Crawley has joined the company as vice president and representative director of Asia Regional Operations, a division of the company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Mtel International.

"We are delighted that Bill Crawley has decided to join Mtel International," said Alexander H. Good, president of Mtel International. "Bill has the talents and long-term international experience to find and enter new markets for Mtel International in Asia."

Most recently, Crawley was International Regional Director for GTE- Hawaiian Tel (Asia) based in Honolulu, Hawaii where he was successful in winning several major telecommunications projects and positioning the company in Japan and Taiwan.

Previously, Crawley was a vice president of Rolm-IBM, Japan K.K. and from

1980-1986 was responsible for and managed their Tokyo office. During his tenure with Rolm-IBM, he developed the market entry plan for Japan, located and trained a 65-person distribution and support team, negotiated telecoms equipment type approvals with Nippon Telegraph & Telephone Corp. (NTT) and sold the first major computerized telephone reservations system to Japan Airlines.

Mtel is actively developing a global messaging network. In November 1989, the company signed an agreement with Singapore Telecom International Pte. Ltd. (STI) to provide local and international messaging services in Singapore and other parts of the Asia-Pacific region. More recently, the company formed the subsidiary Mtel (U.K.) Ltd., following the December 1989 acquisition of MobileComm Europe, Inc., a London-based company primarily involved in paging. Mtel also has a joint venture interest in a nationwide paging company in Thailand.

Mtel, headquartered in Jackson, Miss., is engaged in businesses that include nationwide paging and voice messaging services in the United States; nationwide paging services and paging system manufacturing in the U.K.; interests in other satellite-based telecommunications systems; air-to-ground and marine telecommunication systems; telephone answering service operations; and a digital microwave system serving southern California.

CONTACT: Bob Grieves or David Allan of Burson-Marsteller, 212-614-4951/5163, for Mobile

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Mizlou Communications Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: MZLUL, MZLU) today reported that it had reached a preliminary understanding for the sale of its Sports News Network (SNN) and certain related assets to Landmark Communications Inc. and TeleCable Corporation or their affiliates.

The proposed transaction calls for an initial cash payment of $7 million at closing, deferred payments of $1.5 million payable in equal annual installments over five years and contingent payments, if any, up to $25 million based on SNN's 1995 revenues. The acquiror would also assume SNN's studio equipment leases, transponder lease, and certain other ongoing obligations, but not real estate leases. If the transaction is consummated the initial purchase price would be used to pay accrued liabilities and outstanding indebtedness.

The transaction is subject to negotiation and execution of definitive agreements, approval by the boards of directors of the acquiror and Mizlou, Mizlou shareholder approval and various other conditions to closing. If definitive agreements are executed, the acquiror would also lend up to $1.5 million to fund operating expenses pending the closing, subject to the

acquiror's receipt from certain existing lenders of letters of credit for $1 million.

CONTACT: Mark Wenzel, CFO of Mizlou, 212-244-3750, or Alex Ross or Susan Sherman of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Mizlou

-30- 1614

#90337p9590 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) will seek recoveries of approximately $700 million in claims against Continental Airlines Holdings (AMEX: CTA) and its subsidiaries on behalf of the federal insurance program, workers and retirees. The claims represent the underfunding of seven Eastern Air Lines pension plans for which Continental is responsible.

The PBGC terminated Eastern's pension plans in October, following an agreement reached in September with Continental for funding of the pension liability. Under the agreement, Continental had agreed to fully fund Eastern's pension plans over 12 years. That agreement was contingent upon Continental providing sufficient collateral to assure the security of the pensions.

PBGC and Continental were unable to reach agreement on an adequate collateral package because of changed circumstances including the effect of oil prices on the airline industry. Consequently, the settlement is now void. An agreement reached at the same time with Eastern Air Lines and Eastern's creditors is unaffected.

"In months of negotiation with Continental, the parent company for Eastern Airlines, PBGC sought full funding of the pension plans to protect the full benefits of workers and retirees and to avoid any loss to the insurance fund. Despite our best efforts, that result is no longer possible," said James B. Lockhart, PBGC executive director.

"PBGC continues to protect and pay basic retirement benefits to Eastern's workers and retirees up to limits set in law, and we will aggressively seek recoveries in court to pay benefits that are not federally guaranteed and to reduce our losses," he said.

PBGC guarantees basic pension benefits up to $2,164.77 per month. Certain benefits, such as early retirement supplements and benefits for post-termination death or disability, are not guaranteed. Health benefits are also not federally guaranteed. Except for highly paid workers, most participants in the Eastern plans will receive full pension plan benefits.

Changes to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act in 1987 provided additional protection for pension benefits not guaranteed by the PBGC. In addition to guaranteed benefits, PBGC will pay workers and retirees with

non-guaranteed benefits a portion of every dollar recovered through the bankruptcy proceeding.

The PBGC will submit claims in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Wilmington, Del. By law, PBGC has a priority claim for pension underfunding equal to 30 percent of the combined net worth of a company and its affiliates and a general unsecured claim for the remainder against each member of the corporate group. Separately, PBGC will receive a part of the pension liability from Eastern Airlines escrow funds and an unsecured claim in that airline's bankruptcy.

CONTACT: Judith E. Bekelman, director, communications and public affairs, or Jane Hoden, public affairs specialist, of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, (202) 778-8840.

-30- 3248

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CHICAGO (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Midway Airlines (NYSE: MDW) today announced that it has been advised that the United States Department of Justice has terminated its investigation into the sale to USAir of Midway's assets at Philadelphia International Airport, according to David B. Armstrong, senior vice president-corporate affairs and general counsel.

The transaction, valued at $67.5 million, is expected to be concluded within the next several days, Armstrong said.

Midway Airlines offers coast-to-coast service from its hubs at Chicago's close-in Midway Airport and Philadelphia International Airport. Midway Airlines and its wholly owned subsidiary, the Midway Commuter, serve 60 destinations in the United States, Canada, U.S. Virgin Islands and the Bahamas.

CONTACT: Sandra Allen of Midway Airlines, (312) 838-4813.

-30- 1013

#90337p9599 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Mizlou Communications Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: MZLUL, MZLU) today announced that it had failed to pay the $5,561,000 principal amount due on its senior notes and Class B senior notes on Nov. 30, 1990. As a result of this default the noteholders are entitled to declare the entire principal amount of the notes immediately due and payable and, in lieu of converting the $29,400 and $30,000 convertible portions thereof into an aggregate of 7.2 million shares, the noteholders may convert $510,000 of the principal amount of the senior notes and Class B senior notes into an aggregate of 60 million shares of common stock. The company is attempting to negotiate a further extension of the term of these notes or a waiver of the event of default. The company is also continuing its recently announced negotiations for the sale of its SNN operations to Landmark Communications,

Inc. and TeleCable Corporation of their affiliates, however, no assurances can be given that the company will be able to negotiate such changes in the provisions of these notes or successfully complete such sale.

CONTACT: Mark Wenzel, chief financial officer of Mizlou Communications, 908-417-9700 ext. 222; or Alex Ross or Susan Sherman of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Mizlou

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#90337p9603 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LUMBERTON, N.C. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SNAT) announced today the termination of merger negotiations with NBSC Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: NSCB) of Sumter, S.C., citing unexpected obstacles that make a smooth consummation of the merger improbable.

On Sept. 20, the two companies had announced their intentions to merge through an exchange of common stock. The merger would have created a $1 billion South Carolina bank headquartered in Sumter.

CONTACT: Bob Denham, Southern National Corporation, 919 671-2427

-30- 721

#90337p9605 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - SAZTEC International Inc. (NASDAQ: SAZZ), a leader in information management, today announced two additions to the SAZTEC senior management team. Donald E. Mack joined SAZTEC as senior vice president, marketing, and Scott W. Fancher joined the company as vice president for major account sales.

According to Richard C. Thompson, president and chief operating officer for SAZTEC, the two additions are a part of an overall program to strengthen corporate sales and marketing management.

In his new position as senior vice president, marketing, Mack will oversee all corporate and product marketing efforts. "Mack's 27 years of experience in bringing products to the marketplace will prove invaluable in marketing SAZTEC and its services," said Thompson.

The majority of Mack's experience has been with the Xerox Corp. in a variety of technical, marketing and business positions. Most recently, he was vice president of plans and programs for the Publication Systems Co. of Bell & Howell.

As vice president for major account sales, Fancher will concentrate on the marketing of ICE(SM), a worldwide service for the capture and high speed transmission of images and data. "Fancher has the marketing experience which

is critical to the success of this revolutionary new product," said Thompson.

Fancher brings to SAZTEC 17 years of experience in the marketing and sales of computer information systems. Prior to joining SAZTEC, Fancher was vice president of sales for Ardis, a 50/50 partnership of IBM and the Motorola Corp. Fancher also has served in a variety of marketing and management positions for the IBM Corp. nationwide.

SAZTEC International, a world leader in information management, provides services for database construction and information conversion utilizing computer processing, electronic imaging, optical character recognition, data entry and other technologies.

SAZTEC International is traded in the over-the-counter market and is quoted on NASDAQ under the symbol SAZZ. For more information, please contact Richard C. Thompson, president and chief operating officer, SAZTEC International, 6700 Corporate Dr., Kansas City, MO 64120, 816-483-6900.

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#90337p9606 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Illinois Central Corp. (NASDAQ: ICRR), a railroad holding company headquartered in Chicago, announced today that it has proposed to the board of directors of MidSouth Corp., a railroad holding company based in Jackson, Miss., a transaction in which Illinois Central would acquire all of the outstanding shares of common stock of MidSouth in exchange for newly registered shares of common stock of Illinois Central.

According to the proposal, MidSouth shareholders would receive Illinois Central's common stock with a market value of $6.60 in return for each share of MidSouth common stock held by them, subject to the limitation that MidSouth shareholders would be entitled to receive no less than 0.5 shares nor more than 0.6 shares of Illinois Central's common stock for each share of MidSouth common stock held.

The exact exchange ratio would be determined based on the average closing price for the Illinois Central common stock during the twenty trading day period prior to the closing of a merger.

Based upon the number of shares of MidSouth common stock currently outstanding the proposal would result in the issuance of approximately 3.7 million to 4.4 million additional shares of Illinois Central's common stock, which would represent approximately 15.4 percent to 18.4 percent of Illinois Central's currently outstanding shares. The offering would be made only by prospectus and would not be anticipated earlier than this summer.

The proposal is conditioned upon execution of a definitive merger agreement mutually satisfactory to the parties, the receipt of required shareholder and regulatory approvals, including approval by the Interstate Commerce Commission and satisfaction of other customary conditions.

CONTACT: Dale W. Phillips, V.P. and chief financial officer, Illinois Central Railroad, (312) 819-7930.

-30- 2074

#90337p9607 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Opportunity Income Fund today published its financial position for the fiscal quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

	Nov. 30, 1990	Aug. 31, 1990	Nov. 30, 1989
Net assets	$201,431,217	$191,076,248	$192,902,838
Net asset Value/share	$9.57	$9.13	$9.42

Dividends of $0.0833 per share were declared on Nov. 26 and Oct. 25, 1990. The monthly dividend of $0.0833 per share on the common stock, plus an extra $0.0125 per share special dividend, totaling $0.0958 per share (from net investment income), was distributed on Sept. 21, 1990.

The American Opportunity Income Fund is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, currently has in excess of $3.6 billion under management. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

CONTACT: Nancy Strom Solhaug of Piper Capital Management, 612-342-6384

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#90337p9610 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal (NYSE: UCL) has strengthened its California oil reserve position offshore and in the San Joaquin Valley through a two-part transaction with Oryx Energy Company that was announced today.

Offshore Carpinteria, Unocal acquired a 42.5 percent interest in a producing lease with two offshore platforms, Henry and Hillhouse, which Unocal will operate. The company also acquired interests in seven other offshore blocks. Unocal will pay Oryx $15.9 million for these offshore properties.

Unocal will also acquire from Oryx a 100 percent interest in two producing properties in the Cymric field in Kern County, and an interest in a lease in South Mountain field near Santa Paula in Ventura County in exchange for its interest in a gas field in southeastern New Mexico.

The net gain in production for Unocal will be about 2,500 barrels of oil per day. Net reserves are estimated to be increased by about 11 million barrels.

Platforms Hillhouse and Henry lie next to Unocal production facilities in the Dos Cuadras field, where the company operates three platforms. As a result of this transaction, Unocal now operates 11 platforms offshore California.

The property acquired in Kern County is adjacent to Unocal production facilities in Cymric field.

CONTACT: Art Bentley of Unocal 213-977-6814

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#90337p9614 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - They are a unlikely looking bunch of elves as they hustle back and forth between the huge pile of Christmas gifts in the back of the Boeing cafeteria and the large cardboard boxes sitting on the floor nearby.

Thirty-four Boeing Helicopters and Boeing Computer Services employees gathered here on a Saturday, to sort, label and pack 20,000 pounds of Christmas gifts for the U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia.

Nora Kogut, chairperson of the hardy volunteers, explained all the activity: "We want the men and women to know that they have lots of friends at Boeing Helicopters and that we think enough of them and their mission to want to be a small part of it."

The busy packers are part of an organization known as the Boeing Employee Community Outreach Program that keeps Boeing personnel involved year-round in projects aimed at helping people who need assistance of one sort or another.

"We give what we can, whether it is money, toys, personal attention or in-kind donations," said Joanne Huggard, manager, Community Relations. "Nora and I, together with some of the committee, came up with this as an idea that couldn't be more timely.

"We only had two and a half weeks to get it all together, but with the cooperation of all the departments and the generosity of our employees and many local businesses, we were able to gather enough material to fill 33 skids to send overseas." (A skid is a low platform on which materials are arranged for shipping. The ones used in this operation are 55-inches-by-41-inches-by-40-inches.)

Boeing shouldered all costs for delivering the gifts to the troops. Kogut said they should arrive just in time for the holiday.

CONTACT: Joanne Huggard, (215) 591-2729, or Nora Kogut, (215) 591-7819, both of Boeing Helicopters.

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#90337p9615 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRINGTON PARK, NJ (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Rivervale Realty Company, a subsidiary of United Water Resources (NYSE: UWR), consummated the sale on Nov. 29 of a 223-acre tract of undeveloped property in Orangetown, N.Y., to Manhattan Woods Corp.

Manhattan Woods Corp. plans to build an 18-hole championship style golf course covering approximately 200 acres of the site. Rivervale Realty is continuing to work with Manhattan Woods in obtaining the necessary approvals for its development plan.

"Despite the generally soft nature of the real estate market," said United Water Chairman Robert A. Gerber, "Rivervale Realty has found a great deal of interest in its properties in the specialized golf course and upscale housing corners of the market." The chairman said the sale is expected to add significantly to United Water's fourth-quarter 1990 earnings.

Rivervale recently sold 123 acres of golf course property in Oradell and Emerson, N.J., and has contracts for the sale of about 74 golf course acres in Haworth. A 160-acre Rivervale Realty property in Emerson is under contract for sale to a golf course developer, pending New Jersey regulatory measures that will permit its development as a country club.

The Orangetown property was purchased in 1927. Rivervale Realty Company owns about 1,000 acres of property in northern New Jersey and southern New York.

CONTACT: Martha Green of United Water Resources, (201) 767-2841, evenings and weekends (201) 487-0011; or Steve Morgan of Manhattan Woods Corp., (203) 975-8660.

-30- 1733

#90337p9616 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEDFORD HEIGHTS, Ohio (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Waxman Industries, Inc. (NYSE: WAX), today announced that the Board of Directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.03 per common share, an indicated annual rate of $.12 per common share, payable Dec. 21, 1990 to shareholders of record on Dec. 11, 1990.

Waxman Industries, Inc., is a leading supplier to the home repair and remodeling market in the United States and Canada. In the U.S., the company's plumbing, electrical and hardware products are sold primarily to home

improvement centers, warehouse home centers, mass merchandisers, hardware stores, lumber yards, wholesalers, and through telemarketing, to more than 30,000 independent retailers, contractors and locksmiths. The company assembles, packages and markets many of these products under its proprietary trade names. In Canada, the company is one of the largest suppliers of plumbing and heating products, serving over 10,000 customers across Canada, including repair and remodeling contractors, residential and commercial construction contractors and specialty retailers.

CONTACT: Armond Waxman, president, or Jerome Jacques, senior vice president-finance, 216-439-1830, both of Waxman Industries, Inc., or Patrick Gallagher of Edward Howard & Co., 216-781-2400, for Waxman Industries, Inc.

-30- 1518

#90337p9621 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1995 (NYSE: ADJ) today published its financial position for the fiscal quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

	11/30/90	8/31/90	11/30/89
Net assets	$107,075,198	$107,413,994	NA
Net asset value/share	$9.64	$9.67	NA

Dividends of $0.077 per share were declared on Nov. 26, Oct. 25, and Sept. 21 1990.

The American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1995 is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, currently has in excess of $3.6 billion under management. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

CONTACT: Nancy Strom Solhaug of Piper Capital Management, (612) 342-6384.

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#90337p9623 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Term Trust today published its financial position for the fiscal quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

	Nov. 30, 1990	Aug. 31, 1990	Nov. 30, 1989
Net assets	$73,589,893	$71,093,980	$75,317,276
Net asset Value/share	$9.13	$8.82	$9.34

Dividends of $0.08 per share were declared on Nov. 26, Oct. 25, and Sept. 21, 1990.

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#90337p9625 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Friday evening, Nov. 30, 1990, a three-year agreement was ratified between Union Local 689 representing 850 Kraft/Paper Mill workers and Miramichi Pulp & Paper Inc. The mill resumed normal operations on Saturday morning following a six-day strike.

This agreement is in line with the pattern negotiated at other mills in Eastern Canada, achieving flexibility in the assignment of work to tradesmen and two additional days of operating time per year.

The agreement provides wage increases and improvements in benefits that are in line with the pattern as well as improvements in language to better suit the present expanded operation.

This agreement was reached through a realistic approach by both company and union in order to be competitive in today's market-place, and to provide increased productivity and efficiency that is necessary for the continued growth of the company, the employees and community.

Repap Enterprises Inc. is a fully integrated North American coated paper and pulp company with coated paper operations in New Brunswick, and Wisconsin, U.S.A., market pulp mills in British Columbia and in New Brunswick, and a kraft paper mill in Manitoba.

CONTACT: Kathleen V. Cornish of Repap Enterprises, (514) 879-1316.

-30- 1458

#90337p9626 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron Corp. today announced that its Australian unit, Chevron Asiatic Ltd., will relinquish four offshore exploration permits located in Australia's Great Barrier Reef Marine Park.

Ray Wilcox, managing director for Chevron Asiatic, made the announcement in Melbourne, noting that this action is a result of discussions that began in May between Chevron and the Australian government.

"By relinquishing these permits and cooperating with the Australian government on this sensitive issue, we reaffirm Chevron's position as an environmentally responsible company," said Richard Matzke, president of Chevron Overseas Petroleum Inc., in a joint announcement made in San Francisco.

Chevron Overseas is the U.S.-based unit of Chevron Corp. devoted to exploration and production of crude oil and natural gas reserves outside the United States and Canada.

"We appreciate the position of the Australian government and respect the importance of protecting the Great Barrier Reef," Matzke continued. "We are also confident - based on our exemplary record of oil exploration and development in Australia and elsewhere in the world - that the permits could have been explored safely and in an environmentally responsible manner," Matzke said. "The considerations in this case, however, have lead to a mutual agreement of surrender," he noted.

Matzke pointed out that the crisis in the Middle East has again demonstrated the importance of developing additional reserves in non-OPEC countries, where such can be done in an environmentally safe manner.

Permits Q/4P, Q/5P, Q/6P and Q/7P, known as the "Queensland Permits," cover more than 30.5 million acres offshore Queensland on the eastern coast of Australia. Since acquiring the acreage in 1963, 5,000 kilometers of seismic evaluation were acquired. Only two wells, Capricorn and Aquarius, were drilled (1968).

Exploration was suspended in the permit areas in 1971, pending findings of a government study to determine the effects of drilling in the waters near the Great Barrier Reef. Following the passage of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority Act of 1975, exploration was prohibited within the Marine Park. The deepwater troughs adjacent to the Great Barrier Reef historically have been viewed as having a high potential for hydrocarbon reserves.

"An essential adjunct to any long-term acreage acquisition is the premise that government policy relating to those areas will remain consistent. The actions to relinquish these permits do represent a change to the original intent of the parties," Matzke pointed out, noting that the changes in policy are a result of the increasingly delicate balance between environmental concerns and energy needs.

CONTACT: Jan Golon Bayles of Chevron Companies, (212) 303-3833; or Bonnie F. Chaikind of Chevron Corp., (415) 894-1200.

-30- 3107

#90337p9635 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR) announced that it has obtained an extension until Dec. 12, 1990, of payments due holders of certain notes and warrants and until Dec. 17, 1990, of its commitment to its senior lenders to raise $15 million of equity as discussions continue to restructure the company's obligations to those parties. Jacor does not expect to satisfy the equity requirement by Dec. 17 and will be seeking a further extension or elimination of such provision. There can be no assurance that a further extension or elimination will be granted.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

CONTACT: R. Christopher Weber or Jon M. Berry, 513-621-1300, both of Jacor Communications, Inc.

-30- 1167

#90337p9637 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1996 (NYSE: BDJ) today declared its January dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.075 per share on the common stock will be paid Jan. 18, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 19, 1990.

The American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1996 is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, currently has in excess of $3.6 billion under management. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

CONTACT: Nancy Strom Solhaug of Piper Capital Management, (612) 342-6384.

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#90337p9642 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Express Services Temporary and Permanent Personnel announced the addition of the second office in Iowa, according to Robert A. Funk, president and chairman of the board. The franchise was awarded to Judy McLaughlin. Scheduled to open in late December, the office will be located in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Express Services, a full service personnel placement firm, has three divisions: Temporary Help, Permanent Placement, and executive search, handled through Robert William James & Associates.

"We are delighted to expand Express Services in Iowa," said Funk. "The state

has offered tremendous opportunities for our other office, and we believe the Express office in Cedar Falls will also greatly contribute to the personnel needs of Iowa."

Founded in 1983, Express Services ended the first year with 13 franchise offices and $2 million in revenues. Headquartered in Oklahoma City, Express Services now employs over 130,000 people nationwide. Revenues for the company have climbed to $150 million with over 145 franchise offices in 34 states.

CONTACT: Linda C. Haneborg of Express Services Inc., (405) 755-2675 or 1-800-652-6400.

-30- 1361

#90337p9646 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pacific-European Growth Fund today published its financial position for the fiscal quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

	Nov. 30, 1990	Aug. 31, 1990	Nov. 30, 1989
Net assets	$31,450,119	$34,967,196	NA
Net asset value/share	$9.28	$10.32	NA

The fund declared a dividend of $0.20 per share on Nov. 26, 1990. Their $0.20 dividend is from net investment income.

The Pacific-European Growth Fund is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, currently has in excess of $3.6 billion under management as of Oct. 31, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

Piper Capital Management has retained an experienced international money manager, Edinburgh Fund Managers plc (EFM), Edinburgh, Scotland, to act as sub-adviser to the fund.

EFM, a publicly listed company which provides investment services to institutional clients, was founded in 1969 as a majority-owned subsidiary of American Trust plc, a Scottish closed-end fund founded in 1902.

Currently, EFM provides investment management services, directly or through subsidiaries, to six closed-end funds, 15 open-end funds and 20 pension plans. As of Sept. 30, 1990 EFM managed assets in excess of $2.4 billion.

CONTACT: Nancy Strom Solhaug of Piper Capital Management, (612) 342-6384.

-30- 1768
#90337p9654 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAYLOR, MICH (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Frank M. Hennessey assumed the position of president and chief executive officer of Emco Limited today.

Hennessey presently serves as vice president - Strategic Planning of Masco Corporation (NYSE: MAS), manufacturer of building, home improvement, home furnishings and other specialty consumer products for the home and family, and will continue in that position on a part-time basis. Prior to that, he was chief executive officer of the Handleman Company (NYSE: HDL), a $700 million company engaged in the sale and distribution of pre-recorded music, video, books and home computer software to retail stores throughout the United States and Canada.

Emco Limited, with annual sales of approximately $1.2 billion (Canadian), is a leading Canadian manufacturer and distributor of certain plumbing-related products, fluid handling equipment and fiberboard, roofing and other building products.

CONTACT: John C. Nicholls Jr. of Masco Corporation, 313-274-7400

-30- 1181
#90337p9659 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler produced 65,878 passenger cars in its U.S. and Canadian assembly plants in November 1990. The company produced 74,661 cars in the U.S. and Canada in November 1989.

Truck production for November 1990, totaled 68,179 units. Of these, 39,144 were built in the United States.

Production figures for November 1990, compared with November 1989, are:

Models by Division	November		CY	CY
	1990(A)	1989	1990(A)	1989
Horizon	---	3,807	4,327	31,608
Sundance	7,253	8,041	83,015	94,648
Acclaim	12,193	11,821	111,571	120,150
TOTAL PLYMOUTH	19,446	23,669	198,913	246,406
LeBaron J	4,536	1,861	48,958	87,635
LeBaron A	---	---	8,071	5
LeBaron GTS	---	---	---	2,946
New Yorker C	1,101	3,910	33,862	72,333
Y-Body	6,104	5,973	52,968	28,593
TOTAL CHRYSLER	11,741	11,744	143,859	191,512
Dynasty	12,704	12,189	113,704	123,284
Omni	---	3,848	4,078	33,545
Daytona	2,255	1,527	31,822	68,452

Lancer	---	---	---	1,528
Shadow	7,120	10,376	90,672	95,472
Spirit	9,621	9,268	98,065	102,475
TOTAL DODGE	31,700	37,208	338,341	424,756
TOTAL PASSENGER CARS				
UNITED STATES	62,887	72,621	681,113	862,674
Premier	1,515	2,040	9,953	31,354
Monaco	1,476	---	12,299	---
TOTAL PASSENGER CARS - CANADA	2,991	2,040	22,252	31,354
TOTAL PASSENGER CARS-U.S. AND CANADA	65,878	74,661	703,365	894,028
Total Plymouth Truck	5,983	8,782	79,041	95,370
Total Dodge Truck	19,720	26,516	253,491	277,565
Total Jeep	13,441	15,663	162,077	234,684
TOTAL TRUCKS-U.S.	39,144	50,961	494,609	607,619
Total Plymouth Truck	9,003	10,465	93,099	115,729
Total Dodge Truck	16,348	21,669	195,953	235,589
Total Jeep	3,684	2,990	53,509	66,503
TOTAL TRUCKS-CANADA(B)	29,035	35,124	342,561	417,821
TOTAL TRUCKS-U.S. AND CANADA	68,179	86,085	837,170	1,025,440
TOTAL VEHICLES-U.S AND CANADA	134,057	160,746	1,540,535	1,919,468

Note: Jeep/Eagle Division production included. (A) -- Figures are preliminary and subject to change. (B) -- Dodge Ram Wagon, Dodge Ram Van, Dodge Caravan, Plymouth Voyager, and Dodge Mini Ram Van units built in Canada are also for sale in the United States.

-0- 12/3/90 /CONTACT: Alan Miller or Scott Fosgard of Chrysler, 313-956-2894/ (C) CO: Chrysler Corporation ST: Michigan IN: AUT SU:

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#90337p9661 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

FLINT, MI (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Buick Motor Division has announced the extension of consumer rebates for 1991 Buick models through Jan. 7, 1991.

Also, 1990 Buick model consumer rebates are extended through Dec. 31, 1990.

Rebates are available for all 1990 and 1991 Buicks except Park Avenue, Park Avenue Ultra and Estate Wagon.

The incentives were announced Sept. 27, 1990, and originally scheduled to conclude Dec. 12, 1990.

Current incentive amounts and special GMAC finance rates (available in lieu of rebates) will remain unchanged.

Buick's specific incentive amounts are as follows:

REBATES BY OPTION PACKAGE

1990 and 1991 Buick Models	SA	SB	SC	SD/SM	SE/SF
Skylark	$ 250	250	500	750	1,000
Century	250	250	500	750	1,000
Regal	250	250	500	750	1,000
LeSabre	250	250	500	750	1,000
Riviera	1,000	n/a	n/a	1,000	1,000
Reatta	3,000	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

Length of GMAC Contract	Special Interest Rate
1 - 24 Months	3.9 percent
25 - 36 Months	5.9 percent
37 - 48 Months	7.9 percent
49 - 60 Months	10.9 percent

CONTACT: Gary Witzenburg, 313-236-1415, or Dave Roman, 313-236-5987, both of Buick Motor Division

-30- 1657

#90337p9663 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

RED BANK, NJ (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc. (AMEX: HOV) today announced wide-ranging, more aggressive corporate initiatives in response to weaker residential real estate markets.

The initiatives include deeply discounted home prices and auction sales on certain inventory of homes built but unsold in Florida, New Hampshire and New York -- offering consumers "truly exceptional homebuying values," according to Hovnanian, while enabling the company to better position itself for the future.

In turn, the company is writing-down the inventory to be sold off and certain other assets to reflect the deep price discounts that will be offered to facilitate quick sales. The non-cash, asset write-downs total $19 million pretax, or approximately $14 million after taxes, and will be charged to results for the fiscal third quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, the company said. It added that implementation of the initiatives will allow Hovnanian to increase cash flows, receive tax benefits and reduce interest costs.

Hovnanian's core market of New Jersey remains solidly profitable, but the company only expects minimal consolidated profits before write- downs this fiscal year, which ends Feb. 28, 1991. After the non-cash write-downs, management estimates a net loss for the year of between $13 million and $14 million, or $.63 to $.68 a share.

The company said that, because the write-downs are all charged to the third quarter, that period will show a net loss. However, management added it expects its fourth quarter to be profitable and to report a small profit before write-downs for the year. Given the looming recession, it said that a return to net earnings may not be feasible until fiscal 1993, which commences March 1, 1992.

Despite the current pressures, Hovnanian's core New Jersey market is expected to continue to be solidly profitable for the company, though profit margins for that division are today lower than during the 1980s housing boom. In fact Hovnanian said it is going ahead with a number of new developments and land-option programs in the Garden State.

Hovnanian's financial condition will benefit from increased cash flows stemming from the sale of inventories written down in the third quarter, further aiding the company's strategic debt-management plan. "Fortunately, our company has always tried to maintain a conservative policy on leverage," Hovnanian said. He pointed out that only $150 million of the company's $218 million revolving bank line is currently utilized. Its strategic liquidation of inventories should further reduce Hovnanian's average short-term debt.

Even after the write-downs, the company reported its stockholders' equity will be in excess of $125 million, or approximately $6 per share.

Hovnanian Enterprises has been a leader in building high-quality, affordable priced homes since the company's inception in 1959.

CONTACT: J. Larry Sorsby, VP-finance of Hovnanian Enterprises, 201-747-7800, or Kerry Thalheim, Jerry Miller, or Amy Michelman of the Financial Relations Board, 212-661-8030, for Hovnanian Enterprises

-30- 3328

#90337p9665 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Peter K. Chapman has been named president and chief executive officer of Dalfort Aviation, an aviation services business headquartered in Dallas. Chapman was formerly executive vice president of United Technologies' Pratt & Whitney commercial engine business.

Dalfort's operations include an internationally recognized independent FAA-approved aircraft mainenance operation at Love Field, in Dallas, servicing B727, B737, MD 80, DC8 and DC9 aircraft in accordance with the operator's FAA-approved maintenance program as well as providing aircraft modification, aircraft component repair and modification and other engineering services.

Chapman's responsibilities also include Dalfort's associated aviation related businesses, including Dalfort Training, which provides both simulator training

for Boeing 727, 737 and 747 aircraft and mechanic training leading to FAA certification; Intertec Aviation, an aircraft maintenance facility located in Phoenix, Ariz.; and Sound Solution, commercial aircraft noise-reduction design and engineering firm located in San Diego, presently developing a Stage III hushkit for the Boeing 737-200.

Chapman has been executive vice president of Pratt & Whitney since 1987. He previously was president of United Technologies International Corporation. He joined United Technologies in 1977 and held key positions at UTC's corporate office, Otis, Pratt & Whitney Canada and Sikorsky Aircraft division. Chapman is a retired naval aviator.

CONTACT: David Seldin of Pritzker & Pritzker, 312-750-8400, for Dalfort Aviation

-30- 1762
#90337p9666 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALABASAS, CA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Lockheed Corp. (NYSE: LK) today announced that its board of directors has elected four new outside directors, fulfilling a commitment made earlier this year to elect up to three new board members.

The corporation also announced that after careful consideration its board unanimously determined that pursuit of the tentative acquisition proposal of investor Harold Simmons is not in the best interests of the corporation or its shareholders and, therefore, voted to reject it. In rejecting the highly conditional proposal, the board focused primarily on the feasibility of the concept and the major business disruptions that pursuing it would entail.

The new Lockheed directors, selected from a list of candidates developed with suggestions from institutional investors, are:

Robert G. Kirby, 65, chairman of the board of Capital Guardian Trust Co. in Los Angeles;

Frank Savage, 52, senior vice president of The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States and vice chairman of the Equitable Capital Management Corp., New York;

Adm. Carlisle A. H. Trost (Ret.), 60, former chief of naval operations, Washington, D.C.;

Douglas C. Yearley, 54, chairman and chief executive officer of Phelps Dodge Corp., Phoenix.

In a letter expressing the board's decision to reject Simmons' proposal, Tellep cited "serious doubt about the ability to raise the funds necessary to

complete the transaction." Tellep noted that the proposal depends on equity contributions based in part on borrowings against, or the sale of, unidentified assets that Simmons controls.

Lockheed is a world leader in defense and space systems technology, designing and producing missiles, communications and surveillance satellites, and military aircraft, as well as providing a wide range of aeronautical, space, environmental and engineering services. In the first nine months of 1990, Lockheed had net earnings of $236 million, or $3.73 per share, up from $111 million, or $1.78 per share, in the comparable period of 1989. Sales through Sept. 30, 1990, were nearly $7 billion.

CONTACT: Bob Slayman, 818-712-2468, or Scott Hallman, 818-712-2477, both of Lockheed Corp.

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FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - EmTech Environmental Services Inc. has announced a joint venture arrangement with Alpha Environmental Inc. to offer bioremediation services in the event of oil spills. Bioremediation is an innovative process that uses oil-eating microbes to break down the oil into harmless by-products.

Through the new alliance, EmTech will manage and staff bioremediation projects with Alpha providing the oil-eating microbes and technology for application. Plans are to handle bioremediation projects throughout North America as well as in select areas overseas.

According to EmTech President Kirk Blackmon, EmTech uses OSHA-trained and certified remediation workers for emergency incidents. In addition to emergency response and remediation, EmTech specializes in environmental consulting and the cleanup of hazardous waste materials on a nationwide basis.

EmTech and Alpha first worked as a team last July, as part of the first approved large-scale open water bioremediation effort. The United States Coast Guard and the State of Texas contracted the two companies to use bioremediation to clean up a massive oil spill in Galveston Bay, located at the mouth of the Houston channel.

EmTech and Alpha were selected for the project after conventional methods failed to solve the problem.

The EmTech-Alpha effort was successful, with 85 percent of the spilled oil remediated using Alpha's oil-eating microbes.

Popular Science also recently named Alpha's oil-eating microbes among the top 100 greatest achievements in science and technology during 1990.

EmTech Environmental Services Inc., a leader in environmental consulting, remedial action and emergency response, was established in Fort Worth in 1987. A Houston office ws opened in 1989.

Alpha Environmental Inc. was formed in 1985 for the purpose of researching and developing microbial technologies for the bioremediation of oil spills, the management of solid and liquid waste, and the demanufacturing of toxic and hazardous substances.

CONTACT: Ted Cox, 214-647-1244, or Anne Stafstrom, 214-233-8461, both for EmTech Environmental Services Inc.

-30- 2354

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INGLEWOOD, CALIF (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Teletrac, a provider of vehicle location services, today inaugurated the first of three new services designed to locate and track vehicles in the Los Angeles basin.

Corporate Vehicle Locator Service is the first fleet management tool designed to provide fleet owners an affordable, 24-hour monitoring service with an accuracy of 100 feet. With a coverage area spanning over 3,000 square miles throughout Greater Los Angeles, Corporate Vehicle Locator Service will offer greater control over route planning, scheduling and dispatching.

Designed for Fleets of All Sizes Corporate Vehicle Locator Service has been developed for corporations, public safety and private organizations with a need to locate vehicles locally and regionally. In a six month pilot program conducted earlier this year by Teletrac, organizations with fleets of all sizes, including the Los Angeles County Sheriff, PrimeTime Shuttle, Chase Couriers and the Los Angeles County Office of Education, used the service to streamline dispatch operations and reduce fleet operation costs. Currently, Teletrac Corporate Vehicle Locator Service is being used by 25 fleets in Greater Los Angeles, with over 350 vehicles now equipped with vehicle locator units (VLU).

According to Steve Hamile, president and chief executive officer of Chase Couriers, Teletrac's Corporate Vehicle Locator Service has improved the company's productivity and helped to increase its customer base. "In just four months, Corporate Vehicle Locator Service has helped reduce the number of drivers needed to meet customer delivery demands. Our scheduling is much more efficient, and our customer service queries have also been substantially reduced."

Corporate Vehicle Locator Service is powered by Teletrac's vehicle location system, a system of sophisticated paging and receiving antennas that operates on its own radio frequencies.

CONTACT: Diane Reyes of Teletrac, 213-338-7139; or Nancy Harrison of Ariel West Public Relations, 714-724-1787, for Teletrac

-30- 2250

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - First Executive Corp. (NASDAQ: FEXC), a life insurance holding company, today announced plans to restructure its senior debt obligations. The company has reached a preliminary understanding with a representative of its banks and certain noteholders regarding certain of the terms of a proposed restructuring of First Executive's existing $275 million senior debt obligations. Based upon a final agreement, First Executive and the representative will, in the future, seek acceptance of the proposed terms by all holders of the First Executive senior debt.

The preliminary understanding contemplates, among other things, (a) a $30 million pro rata cash payment to those holders participating in the restructuring, (b) the issuance of $245 million of New Notes which will come due in equal installments in each of 1996, 1997 and 1998, (c) an increase in the current interest rate to 9.5 percent payable quarterly in a combination of cash (approximately 6 percent) and additional New Notes due in 1998 (approximately 3.5 percent), (d) a pledge of certain assets of First Executive as security, (e) an offer to the banks and noteholders to exchange certain real estate investments of First Executive for cancellation of a portion of the senior debt obligations, (f) mandatory principal prepayments in certain events and (g) new and broader than existing covenant restrictions on certain operations, including a prohibition of the payment of any dividends on, or redemptions of, First Executive's outstanding capital stock, including its Series E, F, G and H preferred stocks.

Partly in consequence, the board of directors of First Executive has determined not to declare the current regular quarterly dividends on its outstanding preferred stocks. With respect to its outstanding preferred stocks, First Executive has filed preliminary proxy materials with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to a possible restructuring of its existing preferred stock obligations. Assuming that the negotiations regarding the restructuring of the senior debt obligations continue to progress and that other conditions permit, First Executive anticipates that such proxy materials may be available in final form as early as Dec. 31, 1990.

There is no assurance that any final agreement to amend or restructure First Executive's senior debt obligations will be reached or completed or that any restructuring of the existing preferred stock obligations will be proposed or completed.

This announcement shall not be deemed an offer of any securities for sale. The restructuring will only be conducted by means of a prospectus or other

offering materials.

CONTACT: William L. Sanders, VP, CFO and Treasurer of First Executive Corp., 213-312-2224

-30- 2998

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COSTA MESA, CALIF. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of ICN Biomedicals Inc. (AMEX: BIM) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of three and one-half cents a share on the company's common stock.

The regular dividend is payable Feb. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record Jan. 15, 1991.

For the nine months ended Aug. 31, 1990, ICN Biomedicals reported net income of $7.5 million, or 67 cents a share, on sales of $99.4 million. That compared to net income of $4.4 million, or 41 cents a share, on sales of $40.6 million in the nine months of 1989.

The regular quarterly dividend of three and one-half cents equals 14 cents a share on an annualized basis.

ICN Biomedicals, listed on the American Stock Exchange, is a leading supplier to the world biotechnology and clinical diagnostic marketplaces.

CONTACT: Dominic Liuzzi of ICN Biomedicals, 714-545-0100

-30- 1074

#90337p9709 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Advanced Gravis Computer Technology Ltd. ("Advanced Gravis"), a British Columbia company, announced today that it has finalized a private placement with Logitech International S.A. ("Logitech"), a Swiss corporation. The private placement consists of a three year $840,000 CDN debenture convertible into 1,500,000 common shares of Advanced Gravis and a warrant to purchase up to 1,500,000 common shares of Advanced Gravis at $0.70 CDN per share. The debenture bears interest at 12 percent per annum, payable quarterly and is convertible at any time prior to maturity, in whole or in part, at Logitech's option.

The common shares underlying this debenture and warrants represent 34 percent of Advanced Gravis on a fully diluted basis and if converted and exercised would make Logitech the single largest shareholder. Logitech has acquired this interest in Advanced Gravis for investment purposes only. However, Logitech may in the future consider other alternatives, including acquiring or disposing of Advanced Gravis securities either through open market purchases or disposing of Advanced Gravis securities either through open purchases or

privately negotiated transactions. Advanced Gravis has given Logitech a first right of refusal to purchase any further securities to be issued by Gravis as long as the debenture is still outstanding or if Logitech holds at least 500,000 shares in Advanced Gravis. The board of Advanced Gravis has also agreed to appoint a nominee of Logitech as an additional director.

Proceeds from this private placement have been used to supplement working capital and have created Advanced Gravis' first term debt.

Founded in 1981, Logitech designs, manufactures, and markets desktop tools -- hardware and software products that enhance individual productivity and creativity. The largest manufacturer of computer "mice" in the world, and the leading U.S. manufacturer of hand-held scanners, Logitech maintains manufacturing facilities in Fremont, California; Hsinchu, Taiwan; and Cork, Ireland; and sales offices in major cities in the U.S. Europe and the Far East. During fiscal year 1990, which ended March 31 of this year, Logitech posted a net income of US $8.8 million based on consolidated worldwide revenues of US $111.3 million.

Advanced Gravis designs, manufactures and markets high-quality microcomputer input devices, including the Gravis analog and switch joysticks and an optical MouseStick, for the IBM PC, Tandy and Apple platforms, as well as input devices for Nintendo, Amiga and Atari machines, and the Hardpac line of portable hard disk drives.

"Gravis welcomes Logitech's investment," says Gravis president and chief executive officer, Grant Russell. "This partnering will bring expertise and synergies in many areas, including manufacturing, R & D, and marketing. Our combined potential is very promising."

Advanced Gravis' working capital position is now significantly improved and has allowed the Company the opportunity to meet the strong fall demand for its products. It is hoped by management that this capital injection together with numerous cost reduction programs announced previously will ensure Advanced Gravis' return to profitability and growth.

CONTACT: Grant Russell, CEO, 604-434-7274 or Norman Levinson, 206-637-2825, both of Advanced Gravis Computer Technology Ltd.

-30- 3636

#90337p9714 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LYNNWOOD, WASH. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - More than $62,000 is on the way from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to Washington residents seriously affected by the recent floods. The federal checks are grants to provide emergency temporary housing for persons whose residences are uninhabitable due to the floods.

Joan Hodgins, federal coordinating officer, and Kate Heimbach, state coordinating officer, today announced that the Federal Emergency Management Agency has issued 52 checks, totalling $62,115 since President Bush declared the first three Washington counties flood disaster areas Nov. 26.

These temporary housing assistance checks are granted either to pay rent for those whose residences were rendered uninhabitable by the flood or to pay for repairs to make homes safe and habitable.

To apply for disaster assistance call toll-free, 800-462-9029.

CONTACT: George Nelson of FEMA, or Mark Stewart of Washington State Department of Community Development, 206-744-2371, 206-744-2372, 206-744-2373, or Stewart (cellular), 206-791-1283

-30- 1223

#90337p9930 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Pentair, Inc. (NASDAQ: PNTA) the St. Paul-based manufacturer of industrial products and paper, declared a preferred stock quarterly cash dividend of 37.5 cents per share payable Jan. 1 1991, on Preferred Stock, Series 1987, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990.

Pentair, Inc. is a St. Paul, Minn.-based company comprised of 10 businesses which manufacture woodworking equipment, electric power tools, sporting ammunition, electrical enclosures, automotive service equipment, industrial lubrication systems, material dispensing equipment, pumps and paper. Pentair common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol: PNTA.

CONTACT: Mark Cain of Pentair, 612-636-7920.

-30- 962

#90337p9931 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ZURICH, SWITZERLAND (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Harrier, Inc. (NASDAQ: HARE) today reported a net loss of $415,363 on sales of $404,605 in the fiscal first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $603,649 on sales of $27,733 in the corresponding three months a year ago.

In its Form 10-Q report filed with the securities and exchange commission, the company noted that the loss for the recent quarter was principally attributable to an increase in total salaries resulting from the addition of new employees, increased patent costs, and substantially higher general and administrative expenses related to the company's increased marketing efforts. Offsetting the impact of such increased operating expenses was the initial payment on the sale of a 25 percent interest in the company's Diesel Cleaner

subsidiary and a $146,667 foreign exchange gain.

Management said it believed that continued sales of its Bioptron(R) Lamp and the shipment of initial production units of the Harrier Diesel Cleaner(R), combined with planned reductions in overhead, would result in a positive cash flow in the future.

The company further reported that it is currently in discussion with several large U.S. companies regarding U.S. and foreign manufacturing and distribution rights to the Harrier Diesel Cleaner, a proprietary product that significantly reduces harmful emissions generated by diesel engines.

The company reported the following comparative results for the quarter:

HARRIER, INC.
Consolidated Statement of Operations
(Unaudited)

Three months ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Sales	$404,605	$27,733
Net loss	415,363	603,649
Net loss per common share(A)	$(.08)	$(.12)

(A) -- Based on a weighted average of 5,129,533 shares outstanding in both periods.

CONTACT: Kevin DeVito of Harrier, 213-376-7721

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#90337p9933 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) will play an active role in a new effort by the North American automotive and steel industries to improve training for employees in the stamping industry.

That effort is being undertaken by a unique partnership of businesses, organized labor and government agencies from both the United States and Canada. Together, the groups have founded the North American Auto/Steel Curriculum Research Foundation (NAASCRF).

NAASCRF will study current education and training programs related to stamping technology and define a comprehensive program to enhance the skills of stamping industry employees.

Roman J. Krygier, stamping operations manager for Ford's Body and Assembly Operations, said, "On an industry-wide basis, about 50 percent of current stamping employees will be eligible for retirement within the next five years, and the employees who will replace them just don't have equal skills. We have to upgrade skills for those replacement workers, and we have to do it quickly."

Krygier estimates that between $25 billion and $30 billion will be invested industry-wide in stamping and related technologies over the next five years, including the continuing introduction of high- technology press lines and other automation. The full potential of that investment cannot be realized without a well-trained and educated work force.

"There's a very obvious need to develop a new, comprehensive curriculum for the stamping industry," Krygier added. "Most existing training programs were developed on a very fragmented basis and simply don't meet our future needs.

"This isn't a problem that affects only Ford, or only the auto industry. It's a concern for everyone who's involved in the stamping industry. That's why this approach -- government and private industry, business and labor, U.S. and Canada -- is so important. It brings all the major players together at the same time to address common needs."

Ford has been actively involved in stamping training for several years. The formation of NAASCRF will provide Ford and other companies with a mechanism to evaluate the effectiveness of their training and to build on the work the individual organizations already have done.

CONTACT: Jay Meisenhelder of Ford, 313-322-1300

-30- 2516

#90337p9936 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Propelled by a robust fourth quarter, Harnischfeger Industries, Inc. (NYSE: HPH) today reported record financial results for the 1990 fiscal year, which ended Oct. 31.

Sales rose 20 percent compared to 1989, to approximately $1.8 billion. Income from operations jumped 30 percent, to $70.0 million ($2.18 per share), compared to $53.8 million ($1.66 per share) in 1989.

Cash flow from operations exceeded $120 million, another record. The company ended the year with $240 million in cash, even after purchasing $65 million of Measurex Corporation stock, pursuant to a strategic agreement reached in May.

Bookings for the year reached $1.5 billion. The backlog as of Oct. 31 stood at almost $1.6 billion.

In the fourth quarter, sales rose 14 percent over the same period last year, to $479.0 million -- a single-quarter record. Income from operations climbed 22 percent, to $20.6 million (65 cents per share), compared to $16.9 million (53 cents per share) for the same period last year.

HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES, INC.

Consolidated Statement of Income
(Dollars in thousands)

Period ended Oct. 31;	Three months 1990	Three months 1989	Year 1990	Year 1989
REVENUES				
Net sales	$479,011	$420,019	$1,761,805	$1,466,626
Other income	5,300	4,122	15,195	16,208
Total	484,311	424,141	1,777,000	1,482,834
Cost of sales	386,715	336,082	1,438,100	1,172,038
Product development, Selling & admin. exp.	60,982	55,665	215,383	204,423
Operating income	36,614	32,394	123,517	106,373
Interest income-net	1,232	774	8,202	2,368
Inc. bef. prov. for inc. taxes and minority interest	37,846	33,168	131,719	108,741
Provision for income taxes	(11,950)	(11,600)	(44,800)	(38,050)
Total	25,896	21,568	86,919	70,691
Minority interest	(5,304)	(4,721)	(16,911)	(16,925)
Income from operations	20,592	16,847	70,008	53,766
Income tax benefit from recognition of operating loss carryforwards	--	4,525	3,050	16,825
Net income	20,592	21,372	73,058	70,591
Earnings Per Share:				
Income from operations	0.65	0.53	2.18	1.66
Income tax benefit	--	0.13	0.09	0.51
Net income	0.65	0.66	2.27	2.17
Average shares outstg.	31,885	32,360	32,216	32,461

CONTACT: Francis M. Corby Jr., senior vice president and chief financial officer of Harnischfeger Industries, 414-797-6518.

-30- 3060

#90337p9937 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Zweig Total Return Fund, Inc. (NYSE: ZTR) a closed-end investment company that began operations in September 1988, today announced its monthly distribution to shareholders. The distribution, of $.07 per share, will be paid on Dec. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 13, 1990 (ex-date Dec. 7, 1990).

Dr. Martin Zweig, chairman of the board and president of the fund, said, "I am pleased to announce this distribution to The Zweig Total Return Fund's shareholders. This distribution is in keeping with our policy to make minimum monthly distributions of 0.83 percent of the fund's net asset value (10 percent on an annualized basis), offering our shareholders a stable cash flow."

The Zweig Total Return Fund's investment objective is to seek the highest total return, consisting of capital appreciation and current income, consistent with the preservation of capital.

CONTACT: Jeff Lazar of The Zweig Total Return Fund, 212-486-7110; or Fern Lazar or Debra Wasser of Dewe Rogerson Inc., 212-688-6840, for Zweig.

-30- 1245

#90337p9939 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, ILL. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph J. Ross, chairman of Federal Signal Corp. (NYSE: FSS), announced the signing of a definitive purchase agreement to acquire the businesses of Ravo Group B.V. of Alkmaar, Netherlands. Ravo manufactures and markets street sweeping equipment on a worldwide basis. It also directly sells and services its street sweepers and a line of German-made refuse vehicles in the Natherlands. Ravo employs approximately 115 people and has annual sales of approximately U.S.$20 million. Ravo will continue to operate under its current management and will work closely with Federal's Elgin Sweeper subsidiary. The transaction is expected to be completed within 30 days.

In announcing the purchase, Ross stated, ''The acquisition of Ravo accelerates the attainment of Federal's strategic goal of increasing its worldwide share of the street sweeping equipment market. Ravo's product line is an excellent complment to the products offered by Federal Signal's Elgin Sweeper Co. subsidiary and provides Federal with enhanced exposure to the rapidly growing markets of Europe and the Far East.''

Federal Signal Corp., listed on the New York Stock Exchange, is a manufacturer and worldwide supplier of public safety, signaling and communications equipment, fire trucks and street sweeping vehicles, parking control equipment custom on-premise signage, carbide cutting tools, precision punches and related die components.

CONTACT: Joseph J. Ross of Federal Signal Corp., 708-954-2000

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#90337p9940 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Glenex Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: GLXIF) today released its six-month financial report. The company continues to remain financially strong and anticipates improved operating performance over the balance of this fiscal year.

The company recorded a loss of $2,458,097, or 28 cents per share, for the six-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to a loss of $972,100, or 10 cents per share, for the same period in 1989. Shareholders' equity at Sept. 30

1990, is $27.2 million, or $3.05 per share, which includes cash and short-term securities of $6.7 million, or 75 cents per share.

New discoveries in Canada in the company's oil and gas segment are expected to add to revenues in the balance of this fiscal year.

Colorization of 28 Laurel and Hardy classics for the MTV Network will be completed in February 1991. There have been significant technological improvements in color resolution at reduced costs.

Image Group is continuing to reorganize internally to properly support its two strategic business units...editing and special effects and computer graphics.

Stampede Industries, Glenex's newly formed chemical operation based in Chicago is on track and rapidly building sales volume. It should achieve break-even, by the end of the first year of operation.

During this six-month period, the company purchased 325,400 of its own shares for an average price of 97 cents per share.

CONTACT: Norman Glick, president, or Elaine N. Carlebach (investors) of Glenex, 416-962-9292

-30- 1727

#90337p9941 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) said today it has entered into a joint petition for settlement of all appeals arising from the April, 1990 decision of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) on PE's requested rate increase to recover the costs of owning and operating Unit 2 at the Limerick Generating Station.

The appeals followed the disallowance by the PUC of $307 million of PE's $549 million Limerick 2 rate increase request, including $106 million disallowed through a finding that 399 megawatts (mw) of company generation represented excess capacity.

The agreement was reached with the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA), and other intervenors who opposed PE's rate request.

As part of the settlement, which was submitted today to the PUC for approval, PE and the OCA would agree to withdraw their appeals of the Limerick 2 rate decision.

Also, subject to the conditions contained in the settlement, PE would not file a request for another base rate increase before April, 1994, which would be almost five years since its last filing.

In return, upon final approval of the settlement, PE would have the opportunity to sell to other utilities up to 399 mw of the electric capacity found by the commission to be excess.

Furthermore, beginning in April, 1994, PE would be allowed to keep 16.5 percent of energy cost savings from the operation of Limerick 1 and 2, with customers receiving 83.5 percent.

PE customers would receive all proceeds from these two provisions in excess of $106 million per year through 1994 and share in the excess thereafter.

The agreement also facilitates consensus among the major parties including the Philadelphia Area Industrial Energy Users Group (PAIEUG) on issues affecting PE's Customer Assistance Program (CAP) for low- income customers and the company's conservation programs.

As part of the settlement, the company would agree to form advisory committees including the parties who challenged the rate increase, to evaluate PE's CAP operations and to advise the company on the continuing development of its conservation and other Demand-Side Management (DSM) programs.

CONTACT: Neil McDermott of the Philadelphia Electric Co., 215-841-4122

-30- 2466

#90337p9943 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Meritor Savings Bank (NASDAQ: MTOR) announced today that its Meritor Savings FA subsidiary headquartered in Winter Haven, Fla., has agreed to sell 15 branch offices in the Washington, D.C. area to First American Metro Corp., a subsidiary of First American Bankshares, headquartered in Washington, D.C.

The 15 branches represent approximately $380 million in deposits. The acquisition is subject to regulatory review and approval.

Meritor Savings Bank is a financial services institution headquartered in Philadelphia, with approximately $6.5 billion in assets. Its flagship operation, the Philadelphia Savings Fund Society, provides financial services in the Philadelphia area through its network of 29 branches. Its subsidiary, Meritor Savings FA, will continue to serve central Florida through 29 branch offices.

CONTACT: Leslie C. Voth of Meritor Savings Bank, 215-636-7117.

-30- 1098

#90337p9945 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - URCARCO, Inc. (NASDAQ: CARS) announced

today that the company has filed an application for listing its common stock on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE). It is expected that URCARCO's common stock will begin trading on the NYSE in the latter part of December.

In making the announcement, Clifton H. Morris Jr., chairman and CEO of URCARCO said, "After careful consideration by the company's board of directors, the decision to list on the NYSE was made to provide a broader market for URCARCO shares."

URCARCO, Inc. operates a chain of 18 used car retail lots in Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston, and San Antonio, Texas, selling quality used passenger cars and light trucks and typically financing customer purchases.

CONTACT: Henry T. Stanley, 817-882-7008, or Robyn B. Trent, 817-882-7018, both of URCARCO.

-30- 1037

#90337p9947 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Chicago office of PaineWebber Incorporated has relocated to the PaineWebber Tower located at 181 West Madison St., today announced Michael R. Buckner, senior vice president and branch manager. The new telephone numbers are, 312-683-6000 and 800-621-6525.

Buckner said, "PaineWebber has had a long history in Chicago, serving the area's investors since 1915. We're proud to continue that tradition at the new PaineWebber Tower. It's convenient for our clients and provides a quality working environment for our employees."

The Chicago office, which is currently staffed with 100 investment executives, offers PaineWebber's full line of investment products and services.

PaineWebber Incorporated is one of the nation's leading full-service securities firms, with more than 275 offices and 4,600 investment executives nationwide.

CONTACT: Eileen Ruvane of PaineWebber, 201-902-6768; or Jeffrey Z. Taufield of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for PaineWebber.

-30- 1174

#90337p9948 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALATINE, ILL. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Square D Company (NYSE: SQD) today announced that new three-year labor contracts were overwhelmingly ratified by people covered by coordinated bargaining agreements at 16 of 17 locations in votes taken Sunday, Dec. 2. The remaining location in Chino, Calif., will vote on Monday, Dec. 3.

Square D is a worldwide leader in industrial control and electrical distribution products, systems and services and had 1989 sales from continuing operations of $1.60 billion.

CONTACT: R.P. Fiorani of Square D, 708-397-2600; or Selz, Seabolt & Associates, Inc., 312-372-7090, for Square D

-30- 792

#90337p9954 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALEM, N.H. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Hadco Corporation (NASDAQ: HDCO) today announced that net income for the fiscal year ending Oct. 27, 1990, was $7.7 million, or 65 cents per share, up 59.7 percent from $4.8 million, or 40 cents per share, for fiscal 1989. Net sales were $161.0 million for fiscal 1990, up 3.3 percent from fiscal 1989's $155.8 million.

Net income for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 was $2.3 million or 20 cents per share as compared to $2.3 million or 19 cents per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Net sales for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were $40.3 million as compared to $42.5 million for the same period a year ago.

Bookings for the year were $156.2 million down from $162.0 million in fiscal 1989. Total backlog at year-end was $22.8 million down from $27.7 million at the end of fiscal 1989.

Jon Kropper, president and chief executive officer, stated, "We are very pleased with our performance in fiscal 1990. Gross margins continued to improve despite pressure on pricing, a tribute to improved manufacturing efficiency. Return on average equity was 16.7 percent for fiscal 1990.

"Bookings and backlog reflect the current softness in the electronics industry and the general uncertainty in the economy. Our 90-day backlog showed however only a modest decline from last year. Backlog due within the first 90 days of fiscal 1991 was $21.2 million as compared to $22.5 million due in the first 90 days of fiscal 1990. The decrease in total backlog and the relative strength of the short-term, 90-day backlog suggests our customers are pursuing a conservative procurement and inventory strategy. Hadco remains positioned to respond rapidly when demand for our customer's products accelerates.

"Hadco has excellent cash flow. Cash flow from operations exceeded $20.7 million in fiscal 1990. This cash was used to purchase $11.4 million of new capital, reduce our debt by $4.3 million, and repurchase $4.3 million of our outstanding shares. We ended the year with $20.7 million in cash, cash equivalents, and short-term investments. Cash balances have grown even as the company has invested, on average, 8 percent of revenue on new capital over the last five years.

"We plan to adhere to the strategies that served us well in the past revising

them as needed. We plan to continue to make key investments in capital and people even in times of weak demand. These investments are dedicated to one thing -- continuous improvement in customer satisfaction.

"We thank our employees for their talents, energy and continuing dedication to our goals. Their commitment is the primary cause of our past and future success."

Hadco is the largest independent manufacturer of dense double-sided and multilayer printed circuits, serving customers in the computer, telecommunications, industrial automation and instrumentation industries. The company also manufactures backplanes for electronic interconnect systems. It operates six facilities in the United States.

HADCO CORPORATION

Consolidated Summary Statements of Income

(all dollar amounts, except per share data, in thousands)

	3 Months Ended		12 Months Ended	
	10/27/90	10/28/89	10/27/90	10/28/89
Net sales	$40,282	$42,499	$160,957	$155,846
Income before provision for income taxes	3,400	3,844	12,409	8,030
Net income	2,287	2,307	7,692	4,818
Net income per common & common equivalent share	20 cents	19 cents	65 cents	40 cents
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	11,258,629	12,247,382	11,897,483	12,060,359

Consolidated Summary Balance Sheets

(all dollar amounts in thousands)

	10/27/90	10/28/89
Current assets	$48,305	$47,111
Net property, plant and equipment	43,145	41,896
Other assets	442	571
Total	$91,892	$89,578
Current liabilities	$27,865	$26,191
Other liabilities	15,819	19,270
Stockholders' investment	48,208	44,117
Total	$91,892	$89,578

CONTACT: Patrick Sweeney, chief operating officer of Hadco Corp., 603-898-8000

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#90337p9958 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - NCH Corporation (NYSE: NCH) today reported sales and earnings for the quarter and six months ended Oct. 31, 1990. Sales for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $169,180,000 compared with $151,390,000 reported last year. Net income amounted to $11,518,000 compared with the $9,995,000 reported last year. Earnings per share were $1.38 compared with $1.19 reported in the same period last year.

Sales for the six months were $338,471,000 compared with the $304,557,000 reported last year. Net income for the six months was $22,452,000 compared with $20,217,000 reported last year. Earnings per share were $2.68 compared with $2.37 earned last year.

CONTACT: Joe Cleveland of NCH, 214-438-0251

-30- 909

#90337p9959 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - American Express Consumer Financial Services Group (CFS) today announced that it had appointed Jay G. Stuart senior vice president-chief financial officer.

Stuart, 42, previously was division vice president-finance for the Europe, Middle East and Africa region of American Express Travel Related Services Company (TRS). Since joining American Express Company in 1977, Stuart has held a variety of senior finance positions.

"Jay has a wealth of financial experience," said Steve Goldstein, president, CFS. "His global management skills and financial expertise are key to our efforts."

A graduate of Hofstra University, Stuart holds an M.B.A. from New York University.

Consumer Financial Services Group is direct provider of personal financial services. Operating in 30 countries around the world, its portfolio includes insurance, lending and savings products. CFS is a business unit of American Express International, which also includes American Express Bank Ltd. and TRS International.

-0- 12/3/90 /CONTACT: Maureen D. Bailey of American Express, 212-640-3311/ CO: American Express Consumer Financial Services Group ST: New York IN: FIN SU: PER

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#90337p9960 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir Express has announced that beginning Jan. 8 it will provide nonstop service between New Haven, Conn., and Washington's National Airport.

USAir Express, operated by Henson Aviation, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of USAir Group, Inc. (NYSE: U), will offer one nonstop flight to Washington National. It will depart New Haven daily at 5:15 p.m. arriving Washington National at 6:50 p.m.

From Washington National Airport, USAir Express will depart daily at 3:20 p.m. arriving New Haven at 4:55 p.m. This new service will be operated with 37-passenger, Boeing DASH-8 jet-prop aircraft.

"This new nonstop service will provide additional flight options for New Haven area travelers," said John Leonard, president and CEO of Henson Aviation, Inc. "Coupled with our existing one-stop and connecting service to Washington National via Baltimore or Philadelphia, these two segments help meet a growing need in the marketplace for USAir Express service to our nation's capital."

USAir credited the participation of local community leaders in presenting marketing information that helped the airline make the decision to offer this nonstop service from New Haven.

"This is a significant achievement for the Greater New Haven Chamber of Commerce's Air Service Development Group," said Chamber Chairman of the Board Richard G. Bell, partner with Tyler Cooper and Alcorn.

"Washington, D.C. is one of the top destinations for New Haven area travelers and this USAir Express link is of vital importance to our business and academic communities," he noted.

New Haven Mayor John Daniels said: "This is an important step for New Haven's air service improvement program with no adverse effects on the surrounding neighborhood. USAir Express' commitment to New Haven is a sure sign of our city's continued economic vitality."

USAir Express currently offers New Haven area travelers two daily nonstop flights to Baltimore/Washington International Airport and four daily nonstop flights to Philadelphia.

Both airports are major USAir connecting hubs, offering passengers hundreds of daily flights to the West Coast, Florida, Southeastern United States, the Midwest, San Juan, the Bahamas, and Bermuda. Beginning in April 1991 USAir will begin daily nonstop service to Paris, France, from Philadelphia.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, (703) 418-5100 or (213) 417-1294 (Western Region).

-30- 2659
#90337p9962 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUENA PARK, CA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Con-Way Western Express has opened seven new service centers in Southern California in an expansion of its regional overnight trucking network serving California, Arizona, and Nevada.

With the expansion, CWX has doubled its facilities in Los Angeles and Orange counties, and added three new satellite locations northeast of Los Angeles. The new service centers are in Long Beach, Irvine, Santa Ana and Foothill (Irwindale). Satellite locations opened in Bishop, Mojave, and Ridgecrest.

"These new centers increase our capacity, while providing better coverage in Southern California with a more efficient operation," said George C. Reid, president of CWX.

"We've seen continuing growth in demand for overnight freight service, particularly from companies with 'just-in-time' manufacturing and retailing operations. This expansion positions us to handle that growth and continue to provide the 98 percent on-time delivery performance required by the market." The new facilities will also alleviate some of the impact of L.A. basin traffic congestion on the company's operations, Reid said.

"With seven service centers in the basin - more than any other California regional trucking company - we can serve more customers with earlier morning deliveries and pick-ups later in the day," Reid explained. "We're now closer to many of our Orange County and Eastern L.A. customers, which means shorter travel times and fewer miles on our local equipment.

"Perhaps the biggest impact of the new centers," Reid continued, "is that we'll reduce the time our drivers spend on the freeways in rush-hour traffic. This expansion is part of our overall business plan to grow in the market and build efficiencies into our network, yet be attentive to community concerns about traffic, congestion, and air quality."

CWX, which specializes in next-day delivery of commercial and industrial shipments, now operates 43 service centers throughout its three-state network. Previously, CWX served the Los Angeles basin area from centers in Santa Fe Springs, downtown Los Angeles, and Anaheim.

CWX is one of four Con-Way regional next-day carriers operated by Con-Way Transportation Services (CTS), Palo Alto, Calif. CTS' three other regional carriers are: Con-Way Central Express, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Con-Way Southern Express, Charlotte, N.C., and Con-Way Southwest Express, Dallas. CTS also operates CF Truckload Service and CF Ocean Service, both based in Fort Worth, Texas.

CONTACT: Gary Frantz, (415) 326-1700; or Jim Delulio, (714) 755-0400, both of Con-Way Western Express.

-30- 2839

#90337p9964 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Canal Capital Corporation (NYSE: COW) at a meeting today fixed the close of business Jan. 21 1991, as the record date for determining stockholders entitled to vote at the annual meeting of stockholders, which was scheduled for Wednesday, March 13, 1991.

CONTACT: William C. Wanek of Gibbs & Soell, (212) 481-4488, for Canal Capital.

-30- 569

#90337p9965 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Kerr-McGee Chemical Corp. today announced that the sale of its Soda Products Division to North American Chemical Co. was closed effective Nov. 30. The sale price was approximately $210 million.

Kerr-McGee Chemical is a wholly owned subsidiary of Kerr-McGee Corp. (NYSE: KMG), headquartered in Oklahoma City. North American Chemical is a new company formed by D. George Harris and Associates, a management group based in New York City.

The property sold by Kerr-McGee consists of three chemical processing facilities in Trona, Calif. which produce soda ash, sodium sulfate, potash and boron products. There are about 1,100 employees in the division and sales were approximately $200 million in 1989.

The new organization will include the former Kerr-McGee employees.

CONTACT: Dow Dozier of Kerr-McGee Chemical Corp., 405-270-2877

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#90337p9971 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - After three decades of delighting girls from New York to New Delhi, the world's most adored doll is making a December debut in two new Marvel comic books in time for the holidays.

"Barbie" and "Barbie Fashion," both monthly publications based on the internationally renowned doll from Mattel Toys, will showcase Barbie and her coterie of famous friends - including Ken - in original stories and special features such as fashion and exercise tips.

Many issues will also contain reports from the Barbie Children's Summit, a forum held in New York in November which brought together 40 children from 28 countries to exchange ideas about how to make the world a better place.

Assigned to the task of bringing the adventures of Barbie and her friends to life in the pages of Marvel Comics are a roster of writers and artists who are personally versed in the Barbie mystique. Writers are Lisa Trusiani, and Barbara Slate; artists include Anna-Marie Cool, Amanda Conner, June Brigman, and Mary Wilshire.

Since her first appearance at Toy Fair in March 1959, Barbie has been the undisputed leader of the fashion doll world, winning the hearts of girls in some 70 countries. Barbie's extensive wardrobe, which includes her own Bob Mackie original, is comprised of more than 6,000 fashions which utilize more than 75 million yards of fabric.

Over the years, Barbie has tried her hand at a wide spectrum of careers including astronaut, aerobics instructor, ballerina, business executive, television reporter, and teacher, and she has demonstrated equal versatility in her range of hobbies.

Today Barbie enjoys not only the affection of myriad young fans but also that of thousands of adult collectors who are united by clubs, conventions, and newsletters.

Premier issues of "Barbie" and "Barbie Fashion," available on newsstands, in comic book shops, in select bookstores, and by subscription, are packaged in special protective sleeves and contain free premiums such as Barbie doorknob hangers and Barbie Comics Readers Club wallet cards. Each issue is $1.00. "Barbie" and "Barbie Fashion" are trademarks owned by and used under license from Mattel, Inc. Copyright 1990 Mattel, Inc.

CONTACT: Pamela Rutt of Marvel Entertainment Group, Inc., (212) 696-0808.

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#90337p9973 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Canal Capital Corporation (NYSE: COW) at a meeting today announced that the dividend payable on Dec. 31, 1990, on its $1.30 exchangeable preferred stock would be paid in additional shares of preferred stock at the rate of .0325 shares for each share of preferred stock outstanding. A cash dividend will be paid in lieu of fractional shares that would otherwise be issuable at the market value on the record date. The dividend shall be payable to stockholders of record on Dec. 17, 1990.

CONTACT: William C. Wanek of Gibbs & Soell, Inc., 212-481-4488, for Canal Capital.

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#90337p9974 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. PAUL, MN (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Bio-Vascular, Inc. (NASDAQ: BVAS) announced today that James F. Lyons has joined the board of directors. Lyons joins Edward E. Strickland, William H. Spell, Richard W. Perkins, and Daniel G. Holman as directors of the company.

Lyons most recently served as president, CEO and a director of Bio-Medicus, Inc. of Eden Prairie, Minn. Lyons joined Bio-Medicus in 1978 when sales were approximately $500,000. He led Bio-Medicus to sales of $32,000,000 in the most recently completed fiscal year and served with Bio-Medicus through the recent merger with Medtronic, Inc.

Bio-Vascular board Chairman Daniel Holman said, "Jim Lyons brings us a broad and successful background in the cardiovascular marketplace in which we operate. We believe that this background, along with Mr. Lyons' significant relationships with key cardiac surgeons around the world, will be of substantial benefit to our company."

Bio-Vascular, Inc. is a manufacturer and marketer of proprietary consumable medical products used in cardiac and vascular surgery. Bio-Vascular stock is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the symbol BVAS (common stock).

CONTACT: Daniel Holman or John Darnall, of Bio-Vascular, (612) 631-3529.

-30- 1433
#90337p9976 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Gulf Canada Resources Limited today announced that the November 1990 dividend rate for its Fixed/Adjustable Rate Senior Preference Shares, Series 1, has been calculated at $0.045 per share. The dividend is payable on Dec. 12, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Craig Langpap of Gulf Canada Resources Limited, (investors) 403-233-4341

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#90337p9978 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Quixote Corp. (NASDAQ: QUIX) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Stenograph Corp., acquired the litigation support software product line, known as Discovery(R), from Xscribe Corp. of San Diego, Calif.

The Discovery software products, Discovery ZX and Discovery Base, are being widely used by litigators and law firms to rapidly search and retrieve pertinent information from depositions and other legal proceedings. The Discovery products are provided to lawyers and to law firms by court reporters. "The acquisition of the Discovery software products adds an exciting dimension to Stenograph's business. This new dimension will expand as Stenograph utilizes advanced technology to help the legal profession receive, manage and access information in the most cost effective way," said Philip E. Rollhaus, chairman of Stenograph Corp. and Quixote's president. The terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Stenograph Corp., headquartered in Mount Prospect, Ill., is the world's leading manufacturer of shorthand machines and computer systems for the court reporting profession. Quixote Corp., a diversified technology company, is also composed of Energy Absorption Systems, Inc., the world's leading manufacturer of a wide range of highway crash cushions, devices that save lives on the world's highways; Disc Manufacturing, Inc., one of the largest manufacturers of compact discs (CDs), videodiscs and CD-ROMs in the United States; and Source Scientific Systems, Inc., a manufacturer of automated diagnostic equipment for the biotechnology industry.

CONTACT: Myron R. Shain or M. Melissa Quinn, 312/467-6755, of Quixote

-30- 1872

#90337p9982 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Xscribe Corp. (NASDAQ: XSCR) announced today the sale of its litigation support product known as Discovery to Stenograph Corp., headquartered in Mount Prospect, Ill., for approximately $2,485,000. The company also announced that it has obtained forgiveness of $1.8 million on its outstanding liabilities.

Suren G. Dutia, Xscribe's president and chief executive officer, commented that, "Proceeds from the sale of the Discovery product puts us in a good position to restructure our balance sheet and significantly reduce the company's liabilities. A major portion of the profits from the sale of Discovery product will be used to retire the bank indebtedness. We are cautiously optimistic that our remaining major creditors will cooperate and assist during our efforts to restructure the company. Now the company is in a stronger position to immediately focus its resources to realize the potential of its core business involving computer-aided transcription and captioning systems and various writing devices. With our significant technology and talented group of employees, we are hopeful to get back on track and re-emerge as a leader in our industry."

Xscribe Corp. designs and markets a wide variety of high-technology software and hardware products for legal professionals, including computer-aided transcription (CAT) systems for court reporters, microcomputer-based software

for litigation support and real-time captioning systems for the hearing impaired.

CONTACT: Bruce D. Myers, CFO of Xscribe Corp., 619-457-5091.

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#90337p9985 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Plus System Inc. and Visa U.S.A. Inc. have agreed to provide each other's cardholders with access to all U.S.-based automated teller machines in their respective international networks, it was announced at the Bank Administration Institute's Retail Delivery Systems Conference in Anaheim, Calif.

This decision will ultimately add 14,000 domestic locations to the Visa International ATM Network, already the world's largest with over 60,000 machines worldwide. In addition, the PLUS NETWORK will gain 6,000 new locations in the United States. PLUS currently has 46,000 machines worldwide.

"By sharing all our network locations, we offer our cardholders greater convenience," said Wesley C. Tallman, Visa U.S.A executive vice president for debit systems. By participating in both networks, Tallman noted, financial institutions can generate increased volume from the 170 million PLUS cards issued as well as the more than 240 million Visa cards in circulation.

"We have made it as easy as possible for our members to share the networks," said D. Dale Browning, president of Plus System Inc. Browning explained that steps have already been taken to allow both PLUS and Visa members to access the respective networks with only minimal technical changes.

In addition, procedures are being standardized so that participants in either network have a common set of regulations governing their operation.

Under the terms of the dual-branding agreement, all domestic ATMs on either network will carry both a PLUS and a Visa decal. According to both organizations, this will make it easier for cardholders to locate network machines, where they can withdraw cash by using their Visa or PLUS card and a personal identification number. Transaction amounts are drawn automatically from the cardholders' accounts.

Founded in 1982, the Denver-based PLUS SYSTEM network last year processed 60 million transactions.

Visa, with more than 240 million cards issued and 8 million merchant locations is the world's largest consumer payments system.

CONTACT: Gregory J. Holmes of Visa, 415-570-2107; or Michael Schrank of Plus System, 303-620-7315.

-30- 2395
#90337p9991 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, CT (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - Wright Investors' Service has formed a joint venture with Disclosure Incorporated whereby Disclosure will market Worldscope(R), an international company database, developed by Wright, which covers more than 5,500 corporations in 25 countries.

Wright, headquartered here, is an independent financial publisher and investment advisory/management service with approximately $3.5 billion under management worldwide. With the addition of Worldscope, Disclosure will be the largest single source provider of domestic and international corporate information.

In making the joint announcement today, Peter Donovan, Wright president, and Steven Goldspiel, Disclosure president and CEO, said that Disclosure will market and distribute the full Worldscope product line through online information systems, compact disc (CD-ROM), magnetic tape lease and published periodicals.

According to Donovan, "We looked for a company with marketing muscle and expertise that would be able to market the high quality data we have in an effective, creative way, with the latest in technological developments, and concluded Disclosure was the one."

In 1988, Wright opened a global corporate research center in Shannon, Ireland, staffed with more than 60 international analysts to maintain and expand the Worldscope international corporate database.

The Worldscope database is the central information source for Wright's extensive financial services business. In addition to managing 28 domestic and international mutual funds, and the trust departments of 40 banks, Wright provides a variety of international financial advisory products and services.

"Today, CEOs, investment advisers and business executives operate in a business climate that is international," said Goldspiel. "Now we can provide them with all the pertinent data they need on domestic and international firms from one source."

Disclosure, the leading disseminator of public company information since 1968, provides information on 12,000 companies that file with the SEC through the Disclosure Database(R) that is marketed online, via magnetic tape lease and through COMPACT D/SEC, a CD-ROM product. Its LASER D/SEC, another CD-ROM product, provides actual images of SEC filings, including all graphics and photographs. Additional products provide information on international corporations in database or image form.

CONTACT: John Connolly of Wright Investors' Service, 203-330-5180.

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#90337p9994 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Austin Company announced today that in collaboration with a Japanese firm it had been selected to design and engineer a cargo terminal complex at the new Kansai International Airport.

The island airport is under construction offshore in Osaka Bay. The construction value of the cargo complex is estimated at approximately U.S. $230,800,000 (Yen 30 billion).

Austin said its partner in the project was MHS Planners, Architects & Engineers of Tokyo.

The Austin/MHS consortium will be responsible for designing a 100,000-square-meter (1,300,000-square-foot) facility that will include separate international and domestic cargo buildings.

The facility will have provision for automated materials handling, storage and retrieval and will incorporate the latest technology for computer-controlled receiving and shipping.

The design phase of the project is expected to begin in January 1991 and completed by December 1991.

The Austin/MHS concept for the cargo complex was selected from among four proposals, two from all-Japanese teams and two from U.S./Japanese joint ventures.

This is the second major Japanese airport project to be awarded to The Austin Company in the last week.

On Nov. 29, Austin announced that together with MHS and Yamaoto/ Create Architects & Engineers of Tokyo it had been selected to design, engineer and administer the construction of the domestic and international passenger terminals at the new Hiroshima Airport. That project is estimated to cost U.S. $80 million.

The Austin Company has maintained an office in Japan for 17 years, and has completed more than 75 contracts for Japanese clients in the United States, Australia and Europe.

The Austin Company is an international organization of consultants, designers, engineers and constructors. Austin serves industrial, commercial, governmental and institutional markets. The company is headquartered in Cleveland, where it was founded in 1878.

CONTACT: Marvin M. Epstein of The Austin Company, 216-382-6600 or 216-291-6644.

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#90337p9995 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

COURBEVOIE, CEDEX, FRANCE (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - The Rhone-Poulenc Group (NYSE: RP Pr C, RP Pr A, RPU, RP WS) today announced its results for the first nine months of 1990.

During the first nine months of 1990, the Rhone-Poulenc Group has followed a strategy of recentralization and development on its strong points. Thus, the Rorer acquisition, concluded on July 31, 1990, allowed Rhone-Poulenc pharmaceuticals to figure among the top ten leaders in the pharmaceutical industry.

During the same period, the situation throughout the world has been difficult. This has been marked by a general slowdown in activities and by a decline in results.

The Rhone-Poulenc Group's results for the first nine months of the year reflects those difficulties. Consolidated sales reached FF 58.5 billion, an increase of 8.4 percent on the first nine months of 1989. On a comparable basis, sales have declined 6.7 percent, essentially due to the fluctuations in exchange rates. Operating income stood at FF 5.0 billion (-21.7 percent) and net income after tax and before payment of preferred shares stood at FF 1.97 billion (-47.2 percent). Net earnings per share amounted to FF 25.29 as against FF 61.20 in 1989.

Overall net income at the end of the fiscal year shall show a net decline when compared to that of 1989.

In 1991, the operating income should increase significantly on that of 1990. This improvement can be explained, notably, by a growth in the relative weight of "Life Sciences" (Health and Agro Sectors). These two sectors -- less sensitive to economic fluctuations -- will represent, in 1991, nearly half of the Group's sales and approximately two-thirds of its operating income.

Rhone-Poulenc S.A., an international chemical company ranking eighth worldwide concentrates its activities in three major areas: life sciences applied to man, animals, and plants; specialty chemicals, performance products and advanced materials; and major organic and inorganic intermediates. Rhone-Poulenc's preferred investment certificates trade in Paris and in the form of American Depositary Receipts on the New York Stock Exchange. The company operates in 140 countries and has 95,000 employees. Rhone-Poulenc's U.S. subsidiary, Rhone-Poulenc Inc., is headquartered in Princeton, N.J. In 1989, U.S. sales represented approximately 13 percent of overall Group sales.

CONTACT: Guillaume Prache of Rhone-Poulenc S.A., in France, 011-33-1-47-68-2715; or Miquelon Weyeneth (analysts), 201-821-3309, or Kathleen S. Manning (media), 201-821-3417, both of Rhone-Poulenc Inc.. in New Jersey.

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#90337p9999 12/03/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEXINGTON, MASS. (DEC. 3) PR NEWSWIRE - W. R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA) has announced plans to expand its Lexington technical service and development facility in order to further the company's polymer technology for products ranging from ear plugs to a contraceptive sponge. The 1,100 square foot renovation is scheduled for completion by the end of this year.

The expansion of its Lexington research facility will provide Grace with the ability to create and expand upon the many uses of its innovative polymers -- liquid plastic materials which allow for the development of new and useful products.

Foam for the Future Grace develops and produces liquid plastic solutions (prepolymers) that are combined with water and other chemical compounds to form polymer foams, coatings and films. The research and development of both polymers and prepolymers is an area in which Grace has made tremendous strides.

Among its innovations, Grace's research staff developed a line of products called HYPOL in order to offer a polyurethane prepolymer that could be formed into end products by reacting with water alone -- eliminating the need for a variety of chemicals. As a result, HYPOL is an ideal polymer for a new class of foam-based products -- ranging from wound dressings to ear plugs, and perhaps even artificial human veins.

The uniqueness of the HYPOL family of prepolymers is its versatility and ability to adapt to a variety of end-uses. It is the only polymer of its type capable of accepting virtually unlimited amounts of water -- thereby totally changing its composition based upon the amount of liquid added. For instance, most polymer foams react with small amounts of water, but HYPOL prepolymers can accept large amounts -- even up to twice its total weight.

In addition, the materials can accept a wide variety of additives that can be mixed with water. Fragrances, fillers and dyes that cannot be used with conventional polyurethanes can be incorporated into HYPOL polymer foams. For example, manufacturers have found that HYPOL prepolymers provide them with the capability to produce colored and scented soap, filled sponges, peat moss containing agricultural/ horticultural growing media and active ingredient releasing medical and personal care foams and gels.

CONTACT: Chris Tofalli, 212-819-6000, or Stacey Sheridan, 617-536-3003, both

of W. R. Grace

-30- 2590
#90337t2949 12/03/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (DEC 3) TASS - RUSSIAN FEDERATION PRESIDENT BORIS YELTSIN REFERRED TO THE PASSAGE OF A RESOLUTION BY THE EXTRAORDNINARY CONGRESS OF PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES ABOUT A PROGRAMME FOR THE REVIVAL OF THE RUSSIAN COUNTRYSIDE AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE AGRO-INDUSTRIAL SECTOR AS "HISTORIC".

SPEAKING AT A NEWS CONFERENCE FOR SOVIET AND FOREIGN JOURNALSITS HERE TONIGHT, HE DESCRIBED HOW THE DOCUMENT WAS DISCUSSED AND SET OUT ITS BASIC PROVISIONS.

YELTSIN DESCRIBED THE FOUR DAYS OF THE DISCUSSION OF THE RESOLUTION AS STORMY AND CONTRADICTORY. HE SAID THE INTRODUCTION OF A LIMITED PRIVATE OWNERSHIP OF LAND, ALONG WITH OTHER TYPES OF OWNERSHIP IS ONE OF KEY ASPECTS OF THE DOCUMENT.

HE ADDRESSED FARMERS AND ALL THOSE WHO CONSIDER THE DECISION ERRONEOUS. "I WANT TO SAY THAT THIS IS ONLY PART OF OWNERSHIP. COLLECTIVE-FARM AND OTHER TYPES OF OWNERSHIP REMAIN IN EXISTENCE WITHOUT ENTERING MARKET. THEY WILL WORK FOR THEIR SURVIVAL. ALL FORMS OF OWNERSHIP ARE EQUAL AND ARE PROTECTED BY LAW " YELTSIN SAID.

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#90337t2962 12/03/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (DEC. 3) TASS - IT HAS BEEN OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED HERE THAT SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER VIKTOR KARPOV TODAY RECEIVED HENNING WEGENER, NATO UNDERSECRETARY-GENERAL, WHO IS CURRENTLY IN THE SOVIET UNION ON A VISIT.

MATTERS CONNECTED WITH THE IMLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTIONAL FORCES IN EUROPE (CFE) TREATY, AS WELL AS PROSPECTS FOR A CONTINUATION OF THE VIENNA NEGOTIATING PROCESS -- VIENNA 1A AND VIENNA-II -- WERE SUBSTANTIVELY DISCUSSED.

BOTH SIDES EXPRESSED INTEREST IN DEVELOPING CONTACTS BETWEEM THE SOVIET UNION AND NATO WITH A VIEW TO JOINTLY LOOKING FOR WAYS TO STRENGTHEN STABILITY AND BUILD SECURITY IN EUROPE, AND LOWER ARMS LEVELS STILL FURTHER.

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#90337t2966 12/03/1990 ~ts
GENEVA (DEC. 4) TASS -

THE SWISS GOVERNMENT, AT ITS MEETING ON MONDAY, DECIDED TO RENDER AN URGENT FOOD AID TO THE SOVIET UNION.

THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN AID PROGRAMME IS ENTRUSTED TO THE SWISS CORPS

HUMANITARIAN ORGANISATION.

THE DELIVERIES OF FOOD TO THE SOVIET UNION WILL BEGIN NEXT WEEK, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE SWISS CORPS TOLD TASS. A SPECIAL CONVOY OF 30 LORRIES CARRYING DOZENS OF TONNES OF FOOD IS ALSO EXPECTED TO BE SENT TO THE SOVIET UNION IN JANUARY.

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(DEC. 3) UPI - Federal investigators are looking into the cause of a deadly runway collision between two Northwest Airlines planes at Detroit airport. Investigators say it's took early to tell what happened, but there were two planes on the runway at the same time and that's NOT supposed to happen.

Authorities say the D-C-9 plane burst into flames when it was struck by the wing of the Boeing 727 on the fog-shrouded runway... killing eight people and injuring 21 others.

In Miami, hundreds of youths enraged at the acquittal of six policemen in the beating death of a Puerto Rican drug dealer went on a rampage tonight. Authorities say youths rioted in the predominately Hispanic Windwood section, burning buildings and cars and throwing rocks and bottles. No injuries are reported.

President Bush said in Brazil today the Persian Gulf crisis can't go on indefinitely. Bush noted the economic impact the crisis is having on the economies of nations like Brazil and said- ''That's why when people say to me that this can go on and on, I say no.''

Defense Secretary Cheney is calling up an additional 63- thousand military reserve and National Guard troops. The Pentagon says Cheney signed an order authorizing the call-up, bringing the total reserve force to an estimated 188-thousand.

Continental Airlines today became a casualty of the Persian Gulf crisis. The nation's fifth-largest carrier filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy, saying its fiscal crisis was brought on by skyrocketing jet fuel prices.

In South Africa, authorities have invoked emergency regulations in a black township east of Johannesburg after clashes between rival black factions left 52 people dead. Authorities say the victims were hacked, stabbed or shot to death.

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(DEC. 3) UPI - Secretary of State Baker says his planned talks with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein won't become negotiations. Baker says the purpose of his trip to Baghdad is to make sure Saddam understands the seriousness of the U-N option of military force.

Saddam told French television interviewers Sunday that there's a 50- 50 chance the Persian Gulf crisis will be resolved peacefully. But Saddam says it hinges on whether the United States will engage in what he called a ''real dialogue.''

Chadian rebel leader Idriss Deby and his rebel offensive reached the capital of N'Djamena Sunday. But Deby says he's NOT interested in being president, instead he promised to create a multi- party system.

Deby's arrival in the capital coincided with conflicting reports that President Hissene Habre was killed while trying to flee the central African country during the weekend. There's NO official confirmation on Habre's fate.

Officials at Colorado's National Institute of Standards and Technology say 1990 will have one extra ''leap second'' to adjust for the difference in time between man-made clocks and Earth's own rotation. Officials say it really boils down to the fact that the rotating Earth ''g Earth

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(DEC. 3) UPI - Trade ministers from 107 nations meet in Brussels, Belgium, Monday for the final week of a four-year round of talks in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. The talks' director says the closing days of the world trade talks pose a crucial political test because failure would ''let down'' the emerging democracies of Eastern Europe. Arthur Dunkel, director-general of the Geneva-based GATT, calls the final round ''an important political event.''

President Bush left Washington Sunday evening for Brazil... the first of five countries he will visit this week to celebrate the rebirth of democracy and free markets in Latin America. No major new proposals are expected to come out Bush's latest trip abroad. The president hopes to underscore his promise that the U-S interest in Latin America will not be sidetracked by dramatic political developments in Eastern Europe and the Middle East.

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Also Sunday, a Soviet rocket streaked into space carrying a Japanese broadcaster, a chain smoker who quit cold turkey to be the first journalist in space. The mission is the first commercial attempt by the Soviet Glavkosmos space agency to launch cosmonauts for a fee after a decade of propaganda flights with cosmonauts from Communist or friendly countries.

There were NO reports of injuries Sunday after a United Airlines jetliner carrying the Washington Bullets and University of Utah basketball teams made an emergency landing at Denver's Stapleton Airport. The Boeing 737 lost power in one of its two engines after it left Baltimore Washington International Airport heading for its final destination of Salt Lake City. Soon after takeoff from Denver, some of the Utah players said they saw sparks come out of the right engine.

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(DEC. 3) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	12	3	.800	-
Philadelphia	11	6	.647	2
New York	7	8	.467	5
New Jersey	6	10	.375	6 1/2
Miami	5	10	.333	7
Washington	5	10	.333	7

CENTRAL DIVISION

Detroit	13	3	.813	-
Milwaukee	11	4	.687	1
Chicago	10	6	.625	3
Cleveland	9	8	.529	4 1/2
Charlotte	8	8	.500	5
Indiana	6	10	.375	7
Atlanta	4	10	.286	8

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	9	4	.692	-
Houston	9	7	.562	1 1/2
Utah	8	7	.533	2
Dallas	6	7	.461	3
Minnesota	5	11	.312	5 1/2

Denver	3	12	.200	7
Orlando	3	13	.188	7 1/2
PACIFIC DIVISION				
Portland	14	1	.933	-
Golden State	11	6	.647	4
Phoenix	8	5	.615	5
LA Lakers	8	5	.615	5
LA Clippers	8	8	.500	6 1/2
Seattle	4	8	.333	8 1/2
Sacramento	1	13	.071	12 1/2

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#90337u0181 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - As the Iraqi government prepared for possible high-level talks with the United States its military forces stepped up their activity, testing missiles, digging tank traps, laying land mines and intensifying patrols.

Iraq test-fired Scud missiles inside Iraqi territory Sunday, reportedly putting U.S.-led military forces in a state of alert.

''The flight path of the missiles was away from the U.S. and coalition forces '' said a statement issued by U.S. military officials in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. ''The firing appeared to be part of a rear or training mission.''

The statement said the surface-to-surface Scud missiles were fired within Iraq and landed in Iraqi territory Sunday, which marked the four- month anniversary of Baghdad's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait during an oil and border dispute.

''It's I think proof again, if anybody needed any, that he does in fact have ballistic missiles,'' Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said on ABC television's ''This Week with David Brinkley,'' adding the last time Iraq had test-fired the missiles was in April.

But Cheney said U.S. officials had no way to know if Saddam was trying to send a message to the United States.

The Soviet-made missiles, which have a range of 360 to 400 miles, can be used to carry chemical weapons, but Iraq has in the past used them with conventional high explosives, Cheney said.

Philippine workers returning from Iraq and occupied Kuwait reported stepped up activity among Iraqi troops.

''The Iraqis are all set for war,'' said Luis Agapon, 29, who worked in a supermarket in Kuwait before he joined the evacuation of Filipinos.

En route from Kuwait to the Iraqi port Basra, Agapon said he saw boys working side by side with soldiers in digging tank traps and placing land mines around the port of Basra. He also said he saw tanks, artillery and heavily fortified positions along the route.

''They were really fully prepared. Soldiers including volunteers were armed with AK-47 rifles. Many of them were always on the look out in their designated outposts,'' said Agapon.

''We were given warnings that the war may erupt any day,'' said Nova Galcid, a nurse at Al Jahra Hospital in Kuwait. ''We had no alternative but to go to Basra.''

She said ''tension was high and food was getting scarce,'' indicating a U.N. economic embargo was now being severely felt.

The British Broadcasting Corp. and Cairo radio said the U.S.-led multinational forces deployed in the region after the invasion of Kuwait were put on a state of alert early Sunday when intelligence reports warned of Iraqi missile activity.

Cairo radio said the state of alert was not of the highest level, but some troops were ordered to put on special suits that ward against chemical attack.

The U.S. military statement from Riyadh said, ''As a matter of longstanding policy, we never discuss alert status.''

It also did not say if troops, which include some 230,000 U.S. soldiers, donned gas masks or other chemical protective gear, saying, ''We do not discuss how our forces respond to Iraqi military activity.''

President Bush, who has indicated he will send 200,000 more troops to the region after the first of the year, last week offered direct talks with Iraq. His offer came after the United Nations set a Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait in a resolution authorizing force against Baghdad if necessary.

Saddam told French television in an interview broadcast Sunday that ''we will be closer to peace'' if Secretary of State James Baker - who is expected to visit Iraq under the offer - enters into a ''real dialogue'' with Baghdad.

''But if one wants to make of this meeting only a formal session to give the American Congress, the American people and international public opinion a good conscience, and to allow them to say they tried to talk with Iraq and that Iraq refused to give up its position, then in that case we are close to war,'' Saddam said.

Saddam said Saturday he would accept Bush's offer of direct talks in Washington and Baghdad, but that he wanted the Palestinian-Israeli question on

the agenda as well as the gulf crisis.

Bush met with advisers to discuss the conditions, but it appeared Baker would visit Baghdad. Bush also invited Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to Washington.

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(DEC. 3) UPI - The road was a tough place for the defending Stanley Cup champion Edmonton Oilers in the first seven weeks of the season.

Edmonton did not win a game away from home during that span, having only one tie and six losses to show for their efforts.

Of course, most of those games were played without the injured Mark Messier, who tore ligaments in his left knee, and the suspended Petr Klima, who was out four games for a stick-foul incident.

With both Messier and Klima in the lineup, the Oilers finished a six- game trip Sunday night with a 4-2 record and a 6-3 victory over the Philadelphia Flyers.

''And we could have won them all,'' Edmonton Coach John Muckler said. ''We lost in overtime in Buffalo and lost by only one goal in Boston before they got an empty-net goal late in the game.''

Messier scored a power-play goal to break a third-period tie and hand the Flyers their first loss in seven games (5-1-1).

''Overall, it was a pretty successful trip for us,'' said Messier, who missed 10 games because of his injury and saw the Oilers go 1-9 without him.

The Oilers took a 3-0 lead over Philadelphia on goals by Esa Tikkanen, Anatoli Semenov and Ken Linseman.

But the Flyers rallied in the third period, getting a goal by Dale Kushner 40 seconds into the final period and another by Mike Ricci 1:29 later.

''Before the third period, the first thing we said was we didn't want them to get a quick goal and they did,'' Messier said. ''They got a quick goal and they got the momentum and they were tough to stop.''

Keith Acton, who did a good job checking Messier most of the night, gave the Flyers a 3-3 tie with his goal at 10:14 of the third period.

Shortly after that, the Oilers got their first power play of the game and Messier scored 6 seconds into the advantage.

Philadelphia had successfully killed 20 consecutive penalties before Messier scored his second goal of the season.

''To score that quickly on the power play took them right out of the game,'' Craig Simpson said. ''In the past, when a team got a big goal against us, we would come back and get another one.''

Tikkanen added his second goal of the game and Joe Murphy scored into the empty net to give the Oilers only their second win at the Spectrum in their last 12 visits (2-9-1).

''It's tough to play here,'' goaltender Bill Ranford said. ''They come out hard every night. It's not an easy building to win in, so we'll take a win whenever we can get it.''

In other NHL games Sunday night, Vancouver topped Winnipeg 5-1, Buffalo tied Detroit 3-3, Chicago edged St. Louis 3-2 and Calgary tied Quebec 5-5.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Canucks 5, Jets 1

At Winnipeg, Greg Adams and Trevor Linden scored two goals apiece and defenseman Garth Butcher drew four assists to power Vancouver. Fredrik Olausson ended Kirk McLean's shutout bid at 9:08 of the third period.

Red Wings 3, Sabres 3

At Buffalo, N.Y., Dave Andreychuk scored with 21 seconds left in regulation to lift the Sabres. With Buffalo goaltender Clint Malarchuk pulled for an extra skater, Andreychuk tipped a Dale Hawerchuk pass past the short side of Detroit goaltender Glen Hanlon. Shawn Burr had scored his second goal of the game with 3:02 left to give Detroit a 3-2 lead.

Blackhawks 3, Blues 2

At Chicago, Ed Belfour scored his NHL-leading 16th win of the season, leading the Blackhawks. Steve Larmer got his 400th career assist and Chris Chelios added three assists for Chicago, which extended St. Louis's winless streak to six games.

Flames 5, Nordiques 5

At Quebec, Joe Sakic scored a power-play goal with 3:48 left in regulation to lift the Nordiques to the tie. Robert Reichel had two goals for the Flames and Ken Quinney scored twice for the Nordiques, who overcame a two-goal deficit in the third period with two power-play scores.

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(DEC. 3) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	10	2	0	.833	342	200
Miami	9	3	0	.750	252	164
Indianapolis	5	7	0	.417	193	250
NY Jets	4	9	0	.308	216	295
New England	1	11	0	.083	151	342

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	7	5	0	.583	275	274
Pittsburgh	6	6	0	.500	210	197
Houston	6	6	0	.500	266	229
Cleveland	2	10	0	.167	187	338

WEST

Kansas City	8	4	0	.667	283	179
LA Raiders	8	4	0	.667	230	194
Seattle	6	6	0	.500	222	226
San Diego	6	7	0	.462	272	220
Denver	3	9	0	.250	257	303

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
NY Giants	10	1	0	.909	259	141
Philadelphia	7	5	0	.583	305	252
Washington	7	5	0	.583	289	233
Dallas	6	7	0	.462	193	255
Phoenix	4	8	0	.333	192	295

CENTRAL

Chicago	10	2	0	.833	281	197
Minnesota	6	6	0	.500	282	229
Green Bay	6	6	0	.500	227	250
Tampa Bay	5	8	0	.385	210	311
Detroit	4	7	0	.364	270	307

WEST

San Francisco	10	1	0	.909	270	179

New Orleans	5	7	0	.417	211	219
LA Rams	5	7	0	.417	285	322
Atlanta	3	9	0	.250	279	308

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BONN, Germany (DEC. 3) UPI - Helmut Kohl led his center-right coalition to victory and inflicted a crushing defeat on the opposition Social- Demorats in the first all-German elections in almost 60 years, confirming him as chancellor of the newly-reunited country.

Officials results announced early Monday morning showed the coalition led by Kohl's conservative Christian Democratic Union garnered 54.8 percent of the vote, while the Social Democratic Party received only 33. 5 percent.

In the only major surprises in the elections, held two months after the Oct. 3 merger of East and West Germany, the environmentalist, left- leaning Greens party suffered a major loss of support while the liberals registered stronger-than-predicted gains.

Kohl's government had been widely expected to maintain the parliamentary majority it held in West Germany since 1983 - and in united Germany since unification.

But the liberal Free Democratic Party, the junior partner in the coalition and the power base of Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher received far more votes than anticipated, obtaining 11 percent of the vote.

Together with the 36.7 percent won by the CDU and its Bavarian sister-party, the Christian Social Union, the results will give the center-right coalition 398 seats in the 656-seat Bundestag - the federal German parliament in Bonn.

The CDU-CSU will have 319 seats and the FDP 79.

''This is a tremendous victory,'' said a beaming Kohl, after the results were announced.

During the CDU's election campaign, Kohl had capitalized on the leading role he played in bringing about the merger of East and West Germany.

Genscher is also believed to have derived electoral benefits from his longstanding policy of East-West detente.

''Now we will have the task of successfully concluding German unification domestically ... which will also mean an inner renewal of the coalition,'' said Genscher, in what was seen as a hint that the FDP will be seeking more power in Kohl's government.

The crushing defeat of the SPD, which will have 239 deputies in the Bundestag, had been largely anticipated.

Kohl's fiery SPD challenger, Oskar Lafontaine, who is Prime Minister of the western German state of Saarland, had widely focused on the cost of unification during his campaign. Before that, he had called for a slower pace in the process leading to the merger.

The Greens party, which got 8.3 percent in the last West German elections only got 3.9 percent in a coalition with small, left-leaning parties, apparently after losing votes to the right and the left.

The Greens-led coalition will get eight parliamentary mandates.

The Party of Democratic Socialism, the renamed East German communists, will keep 17 members in the Bundestag, after getting 2.4 percent of the vote.

The elections capped just over one year of dramatic changes, including the Nov. 9, 1989 opening of the Berlin wall and were the first free all-German elections in 58 years.

Several officials said the elections were the most important in post- war Germany, but the 76 percent turnout was far lower than at the last German elections.

In the first free elections in East Germany in March this year, 93.4 percent of registered voters cast their ballots and in the 1987 West German elections, turnout was 84.3 percent.

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(DEC. 3) UPI - Although they looked inept at times and invincible in other stretches, the inconsistent Indiana Pacers reached a turning point Sunday night.

Chuck Person scored 20 points, Reggie Miller added 19 and the Pacers held off Milwaukee for a 107-103 victory. Indiana fell behind by 14 points in the first 8:08, rallied to take a 15-point lead halfway through the third quarter, then clung to a 1-point lead through the final minutes to snap a four-game losing streak.

''We have to go out and make war every night,'' Person said. ''Our guys are ready to do that. We played hard-nosed and aggressively and stayed after people. We converted plays late, something we hadn't been doing.''

The resurgence came after a second meeting of the season among players, a talk

Person said helped bring the group together.

''We have to forget about what each individual needs and worry about what the team needs,'' Person said. That way, we can all get what we ''eds,'

Person and Miller each sank two free throws in the final 21 seconds to extend Indiana leads from 1 point to 3, the last by Person giving the Pacers a 105-102 lead with 13 seconds to play. Milwaukee's Jay Humphries sank the second of two free throws with five seconds remaining and Detlef Schrempf added the final Indiana points after being fouled on the next inbounds pass.

Schrempf added 18 points for Indiana while Rik Smits contributed 16 points, Vern Fleming scored 13 and LaSalle Thompson pulled down 15 rebounds and scored 9 points. Jack Sikma led Milwaukee with 16 points, scoring 11 in the fourth quarter, while Ricky Pierce added 15.

Indiana (6-10) had lost 9 of its previous 11 games and the Pacers are winless away from home this season. Dropping Milwaukee (11-5) opened a stretch of five games in seven days, which continues Tuesday at Minnesota.

''During the season, you have big games you have to win. Minnesota is one of those games this year because it's on the road and it will help the team psychologically,'' Miller said. ''We can get to .500 and get something rolling.''

Indiana Coach Dick Versace would have liked an easier time, but praised his team for inspired play.

''The meetings had a lot to do with the open minds,'' Versace said. ''The biggest difference was we played hard. I hadn't been able to get them to see they hadn't been playing as hard as they did tonight. It's nice to have them back. We backed off on our defensive pressure a bit once we got a 15-point lead. It's hard to put a good team away.''

Sikma scored 6 points in a 12-3 Milwaukee run to open the fourth quarter, pulling the Bucks within 84-83 with a pair of free throws with 8:32 remaining.

''After getting off to such a great start and having to come back, it's like climbing the same hill twice,'' Sikma said. ''We played well enough to get back into it. I'm disappointed.''

Milwaukee pulled ahead 26-12, helped by hitting its first nine shots. Indiana had an 11-0 first-quarter run, then surged to an 18-1 run over the middle of the second quarter. Indiana led 58-46 at halftime, having completed a 28-point turnaround by outscoring the Bucks 46-18 over a 15:10 span.

''In the second quarter, we played without our brains for five or six minutes and let our emotions take over,'' Milwaukee Coach Del Harris said. ''You have

to use emotions. You can't let them use you. The first quarter came too easily. When they went into their risky kamakaze play, we just fell into a trap.''

Elsewhere in the NBA Sunday night, Portland outlasted Utah 101-97 and the LA Clippers routed Minnesota 102-77.

Blazers 101, Jazz 97

At Portland, Ore., Buck Williams scored 23 points and grabbed 11 rebounds to lead the Trail Blazers to their third straight victory, raising their record to 14-1, best in the NBA. The Jazz were led by Karl Malone with a season-high 36 points in a game that was in doubt until the final minutes of the fourth period.

Clippers 102, Timberwolves 77

At Los Angeles, Bo Kimble scored a season-high 27 points and Charles Smith added 26 and grabbed 14 rebounds, leading the Clippers. Rookie Loy Vaught came off the bench to chip in with 12 points, and guards Gary Grant and Winston Garland added 10 apiece. Minnesota suffered its third consecutive loss and completed the four-game road swing with a 1-3 mark.

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#90337u0222 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (DEC. 3) UPI - Japan's Emperor Akihito plans to tour Asian countries next year, possibly around May, becoming the first Japanese monarch to visit the region in history, published reports said Monday.

The Mainichi Shimbun and the Tokyo Shimbun, quoting government sources, said the trip will take the 56-year-old Akihito to South Korea and all or some member states of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

Thailand is most likely to be included in his itinerary in view of the close relationship between the Japanese and Thai imperial families, they said.

The government will soon start arranging for Akihito's itinerary through diplomatic channels between Japan and the nations concerned, the dailies said.

When the plan comes through, it will be Akihito's first overseas tour since acceding to the ''Chrysanthemum Throne'' in January 1989, following the death of his father, Emperor Hirohito.

It also will be the first overseas travel by a Japanese monarch since the Hirohito made a historic tour of the United States in 1975. Hirohito also visited Europe in 1971.

Akihito's overseas travel plan emerged after completion of all official functions for his accession to the throne, including the official enthronement

ceremony Nov. 12, attended by representatives from about 150 countries.

Many foreign guests invited Akihito and Empress Michiko to visit their countries at an opportune time, government officials said.

Japan's Emperor has not made an official tour of Asia in the 2,600- year history of Japan, the dailies said.

Akihito's planned visit to South Korea was postponed in 1986 because of Michiko's illness.

South Korean President Roh Tae Woo extended an invitation to Akihito anew when he made his first official visit to Japan last May.

His itinerary will be discussed when Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu makes a planned visit to South Korea and the Association of Southeast Asian nations in January, the dailies said.

Sakamoto later told a news conference Kaifu's Asian tour planned for January remained unchanged despite a United Nations Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq in the Gulf crisis.

Sakamoto added, however, the final itinerary for Kaifu's trip will have to be adjusted according to developments in peace talks between the United States and Iraq.

Kaifu is scheduled to make a three-day visit to South Korea, starting Jan. 9. He will then leave on a tour of the ASEAN nations about a week later.

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(DEC. 3) UPI - President Bush begins another trip... Iraq steps up military activity... and the space shuttle astronauts aim their telescopes. Those stories and more, next from U-P-I.

A group of military officers apparently seized Argentina's military headquarters early today, just three days before a scheduled visit to the country by President Bush.

Reporters said some soldiers, either assailants or guards, were wounded and carried away by ambulances from the military headquarters in downtown Buenos Aires.

Government officials said President Carlos Menem had declared a state of seige and was commanding operations against the rebellion from his office in the government palace, only a half block from the skirmishing.

Bush was scheduled to arrive in Brazil this morning and planned to arrive in Buenos Aires on Wednesday.

President Bush will talk free trade today during his 24-hour visit to Brazil.

Bush left Washington late yesterday for a five-nation tour of South America where he'll celebrate the rebirth of democracy and free markets in Latin America.

The president's latest overseas voyage is expected to be long on symbolism and short on major new proposals. It comes after his recent visits to Europe, the Middle East and Mexico.

Bush's trip was originally set for September, but was put off by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the press of budget talks.

But by making the trip at this time, Bush hopes to underscore his promise that the U-S interest in Latin America won't be sidetracked by dramatic political developments in Eastern Europe and the Middle East.

Jetting daily from one capital to the next, Bush will laud the reform efforts of a new generation of forward-looking Latin leaders. And he's expected to promote the ambitious notion of a hemispheric free-trade zone stretching from the Artic Circle to Tierra del Fuego.

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#90337u0276 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

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The sensitive instruments will give scientists their first detailed look at high-energy X-rays and ultraviolet light from deep space.

The Columbia crew rocketed into orbit yesterday in a spectacular pre- dawn liftoff from Cape Canaveral... and began activating the suite of telescopes.

Running six months late because of crippling fuel leaks, Columbia's crew hit the deck running, but soon afterward ran into trouble loading one telescope with critical computer control software. And they had problems getting a complex telescope pointing system to lock onto the proper stars because of computer programming that limited the system's sensitivity to starlight.

But later yesterday, revised software was radioed to the shuttle for use with the Instrument Pointing System and officials say the astronauts plan to proceed with science observations today.

One of their first tasks will be observations of two stars in the constellation Orion, the nearby star Capella in the constellation Taurus and an irregular galaxy in the Southern Hemisphere constellation Vela.

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(DEC. 3) UPI - It's expected to be a stormy week for trade ministers from 107 nations meeting today in Brussels, Belgium.

They will have to deal with disagreements over agriculture, services and other key areas during this final week of a four-year round of world trade talks.

The talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade began at a Uruguayan resort in 1986, and are supposed to conclude on Friday.

Many officials say, however, that the GATT talks could collapse in failure or recess this week with only partial agreement and resume in January.

A 391-page draft text, hammered out over the past four years, lacks crucial negotiating documents on agriculture, foreign investment and anti-dumping measures.

At a news conference yesterday, Arthur Dunkel, director general of GATT, said a breakthrough must be reached by the end of Tuesday in order for the talks to succeed.

It's feared that collapse of the talks could lead to a bitter trade war among many GATT members at a time when much of the world is heading into recession.

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#90337u0334 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 3) UPI - A weekend earthquake in the central Asian republic of Kirghizia destroyed nearly 1,000 homes and public buildings and left more than 3,000 people homeless in three villages, officials said Monday.

No one was reported killed in Saturday's quake, which measured 5.1 on the Richter scale, the Soviet Center for Seismic Information said. A moderate aftershock measuring 4.4 on the Richter scale shook the same area Monday morning.

The quakes were centered in the Osh region of Kirghizia, about 2,000 miles southeast of Moscow in an active seismic zone near the Soviet- Chinese border. A June quake in neighboring Kazakhstan killed two people and flattened hundreds of homes on both sides of the border.

The official Soviet news agency Tass said local authorities were still assessing the damage from Saturday's quake, and had found more than 940 homes and public buildings destroyed in the villages of Kyzyl Charba, Salam Alik and Ak Terek.

A local relief headquarters was set up and tents, food and other necessities have been sent to the area, the report said.

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#90337u0365 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - Government officials in Argentina say President Carlos Menem has declared a state of seige after a group of military officers apparently seized the nation's military headquarters. Menem is said to be commanding operations against the rebellion from his office in the government palace, only a half block from the skirmishing.

President Bush arrived in Brazil this morning, beginning a five- nation South American tour to promote free trade and the rebirth of democracy. Bush also plans to drum up support for the U-S position in the Persian Gulf.

Philippine workers returning from Iraq and occupied Kuwait reported stepped up activity among Iraqi troops. One man said he saw boys working side by side with soldiers digging tank traps and placing land mines around the port of

Basra.

Helmut Kohl led his center-right coalition to victory in German elections yesterday. His forces inflicted a crushing defeat on the opposition Social-Demorats in the first all-German elections in almost 60 years.

Reports from Tokyo say Japan's Emperor Akihito plans to tour Asian countries next year, possibly around May. He would become the first Japanese monarch to visit the region. It also will be the first overseas travel by a Japanese monarch since 1975.

An Alaskan scientist warns that a dramatic 40 percent rise in the temperature of the Arctic oceans, recorded during successive summers by Alaskan scientists has raised sea levels.

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#90337u0408 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 3) UPI - Four Azerbaijani policemen and three Armenian attackers were reported killed in a battle in the Azerbaijani village of Martunashen, the official Tass news agency reported Monday.

Tass said the Armenians attacked the policemen Sunday in the village north of the disputed Armenian enclave of Nagorno Karabakh, but the agency gave few details of the incident.

Four policemen were killed, three were wounded and two were missing, Tass said. Three Armenians were killed and two wounded.

Additional Azerbaijani Interior Ministry units were sent into the Khanlar district where the incident occurred, Tass said.

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#90337u0475 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - There's trouble in one of the South American nations President Bush plans to visit this week. Argentina's military headquarters was seized early today by a group of military officers. Reporters said some soldiers were wounded and carried away by ambulances from the military headquarters in downtown Buenos Aires. Witnesses said officers and enlisted men tried to dislodge the rebels from the building and several soldiers were reported wounded in the ensuing gunfire. Some radio reports said two officers were killed. Bush planned to arrive in Argentina on Wednesday.

President Bush is in Brazil today, starting a trip that will take him to five South American nations. In Brazil, Bush is expected to deliver his most important speech of the trip, outlining points of his ''initiative to the Americas'' and the new role of importance Latin America is to play in U-S

policy. Bush's trip was originally set for September, but was put off by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and budget talks.

Philippine President Corazon Aquino has ruled out an early return of Imelda Marcos from U-S exile. Aquino says the widow of the late dictator Ferdinand Marcos has NOT shown that she wants to reconcile with the government. Aquino stressed that negotiations on dropping a five BILLION dollar damage suit against Marcos has nothing to do with her return to the Philippines.

Gunmen claiming to be communist guerrillas shot and killed a police officer in Manila on the eve of talks on the future of key U-S military bases in the Philippines. More than 12-hundred police will be stationed in the city tomorrow to guard against expected anti-bases protests during the third round of bases talks. Officials imposed travel restrictions at the U-S Subic Bay Naval Station.

The final week of a four-year round of world trade talks began today in Brussels. The talks attended by trade ministers from 107 countries are marked by discord over agriculture, services and other key area. Belgian King Baudouin greeted the delegation heads at the site of the 1958 World's Fair to begin the formal proceedings. Informal meetings were held all weekend to try to narrow differences.

Police in South Africa say rival black factions clashed in a troubled black township east of Johannesburg overnight and the bodies of at least 24 people were found by dawn. The State-run South African Broadcasting Corporation says the killings pushed the death toll in political violence in the Johannesburg-Pretoria metropolitan areas since Friday to at least 47.

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#90337u0519 12/03/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 3) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque f	49	24	....
Anchorage sn	15	06	....
Asheville r	62	53	.09
Atlanta r	70	59	....
Baltimore r	59	39	....
Billings w	38	19	....
Birmingham ts	63	59	.19
Bismarck pc	27	20	.18
Boston pc	57	32	....
Brownsville w	84	67	....
Buffalo sn	45	29	....
Burlington Vt. sn	48	20	....
Charleston S.C. cy	66	62	.02

Charlotte r	63	57	....
Chicago sn	41	mm	....
Cincinnati r	47	42	1.04
Cleveland r	44	32	.46
Columbus Ohio r	47	38	.84
Dallas sy	57	41	.45
Denver sy	37	14	....
Des Moines sn	37	27	1.08
Detroit sn	42	33	.30
Duluth sn	24	18	....
El Paso sy	68	32	....
Evansville r	56	47	.87
Fargo cy	28	19	....
Hartford cy	55	29	....
Honolulu sy	84	72	.01
Houston w	77	59	....
Indianapolis r	45	40	.98
Jackson Miss. r	69	64	1.62
Jacksonville cy	78	58	....
Kansas City w	39	30	.21
Las Vegas sy	62	36	....
Little Rock w	64	49	.50
Los Angeles sy	83	55	....
Louisville r	60	45	1.12
Memphis w	61	57	1.22
Miami Beach pc	76	68	.03
Milwaukee sn	39	32	.15
Minneapolis sn	30	22	.13
Nashville ts	60	57	1.81
New Orleans ts	77	68	5.10
New York r	57	38	....
Oklahoma Cty sy	56	33	.07
Omaha sn	35	26	.51
Orlando pc	80	60	....
Philadelphia r	57	40	....
Phoenix sy	71	46	....
Pittsburgh r	48	37	.63
Portland Me. pc	55	28	....
Portland Ore. mc	47	44	....
Providence pc	57	33	....
Richmond r	64	47	....
St. Louis w	49	44	1.09
Salt Lake City f	38	24	....
San Antonio w	75	50	....
San Diego sy	73	46	....
San Francisco pc	63	47	....
San Juan sh	84	73	.25
Seattle r	45	42	.08

Spokane sn	32	27	.01
Tampa pc	82	61	....
Washington r	58	44	....
Wichita w	50	29	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90337u0567 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

GENEVA (DEC. 3) UPI - Reported global cases of AIDS rose by 8,465, or 2.83 percent, in November to reach a total of 307,379 by Dec. 1, the World Health Organization said Monday.

The known total of acquired immune deficiency syndrome Oct. 31 had been 298,914.

The United States reported 2,733 new cases in November for a total 152,231, or 49.53 percent, of the world figure.

At one time the United States accounted for two-thirds or more of known cases but the U.S. percentage has fallen steadily in the past one year as developing country reporting improved somewhat.

WHO said the true worldwide number of cumulative cases since 1980 is four times the officially reported total and is around 1.3 million.

That is because the Third World - especially increasingly stricken African nations - lack the infrastructure needed to properly track the fatal disease.

Africa had 77,043 cases, considered by WHO to be only a fraction of the real number.

Figures reported by African countries also are usually outdated - the 15,569 known figure for Uganda dating to March 31 and that of 11,732 for Zaire going to Jan. 31.

Europe had 41,564 reported cases as of Dec. 1 and Asia had 843. Oceania had 2,334, with Australia accounting for 2,081 of those.

The Americas had 185,595 cases on Dec. 1, including the U.S. figure.

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#90337u0576 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - Optimism about the Persian Gulf crisis bolstered stock prices Monday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, but selling by margin-strapped investors prevented the rally from expanding futher.

The blue-chip Nikkei average of 225 selected issues, which fell 257. 97 points Friday, gained 271.36 points to 22,725.99.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares, which dropped 14.95 points Friday, bounced back 19.21 points to 1,671.22.

Volume remained slow at an estimated 250 million shares, compared with 351 million Friday.

Advances topped declines 717 to 198, while 149 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks rebounded sharply in moderate trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, bolstered by promises of Iraqi-U.S. talks on the Gulf crisis.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index jumped 55.11 points - or 1.86 percent - to close at 3,020.17. The gain followed a loss of 13.29 points Friday and a 51-point drop over the last week.

Among the narrower indexes, financials gained 16.72 points, utilities jumped 90.30, properties surged 102.94 and industrials rose 46.08 points.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 710 million shares, compared with 545 million shares Friday.

In Singapore, stocks climbed on the Singapore Stock Exchange as hopes of a peaceful settlement to the Gulf crisis replaced last week's apprehension.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which eased 2.82 points Friday, jumped 19.04 points to 1,125.63. The broader-based All Singapore Index rose 5.20 points to 312.86.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 42.2 million shares, compared with 32.8 million shares Friday.

In Bangkok, stocks rebounded 7.3 percent in light trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

In Australia, stocks closed mostly higher on the Sydney Sharemarket boosted by hopes of peace in the oil-rich Middle East.

The All Ordinaries Index, which fell 22.6 points Friday, added 4.3 points to 1,324.0. The All Industrials index rose 9.2 points to 1,996.9 and the All Resources Index added 0.9 points to 803.1.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 56.5 million shares, compared with 112 million shares Friday.

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#90337u0579 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 3) UPI - A man with a homemade bomb attempted to hijack a Soviet airliner to Stockholm, but the pilot landed in Leningrad and the would-be hijacker was disarmed safely, the news agency Tass reported Monday.

The attempt to seize the Leningrad-to-Murmansk Aeroflot flight Sunday was the latest in a flurry of hijackings and hijack attempts by Soviet citizens wanting the leave the country, but in most of the previous incidents the hijackers turned out to be unarmed.

In fact, Tass said, the pilot of the Aeroflot flight Sunday disregarded the hijacker's threat to blow up the plane unless it flew to Sweden and instead returned to Leningrad because the crew was assured that all passengers and baggage had been checked properly.

The hijacker, identified by Tass as German Gerasimov, an employee of a building cooperative, allowed all 120 passengers to leave the plane after talks at the airport. He was arrested by an airport assault squad.

''A homemade bomb was found on him,'' Tass said. ''Its explosive capacity was confirmed by experts.''

There were no injuries during the incident.

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#90337u0613 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

BALTIMORE (DEC. 3) UPI - Dozens of people have called Johns Hopkins Hospital with concerns about their health because of reports that a breast cancer surgeon had died of AIDS, hospital officials say.

The hospital plans this week to mail letters to about 1,800 people on whom Dr. Rudolph Almaraz had operated, offering free AIDS testing and counseling.

The (Baltimore) Sun reported that Almaraz, 41, died of acquired immune dificiency syndrome two weeks ago.

Dr. Timothy Townsend, senior director for medical affairs at Hopkins, said about 50 people called the hospital Sunday. Operators told callers to contact Townsend at his office Monday.

Hospital spokeswoman Joann Rodgers said the letter sent to patients, which now refers to unconfirmed rumors that a doctor had AIDS, will be changed if the hospital can confirm the cause of death.

Almaraz's lawyer, Marvin Ellin, told the newspaper the doctor died of AIDS. Rodgers said the hospital has not yet spoken to Ellin directly.

Physicians said it is highly unlikely that Almaraz's patients could have contracted the AIDS virus from him. Doctors face a greater risk of contracting the AIDS virus from patients, they said.

''When you're operating on a patient, the patient's blood is all around. That's the way surgery is,'' Dr. Gregory Bulkley, said a professor of surgery at the Hopkins medical school. ''It's very rare that a surgeon's blood, however, would get into a patient.''

Bulkley said a study has found that a doctor operating on a person with AIDS who accidentally pricks himself or herself has a 0.2 percent chance of contracting the AIDS virus.

The risk of transmission from a doctor to a patient is so small as to be immeasurable, he said.

Ellin said Almaraz believed he contracted the virus in 1983, while serving a fellowship at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York.

A Sloan-Kettering spokeswoman said Sunday the hospital did not have any records that would indicate Almaraz contracted AIDS when he practiced at the hospital from July 1 to Dec. 1.

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#90337u0619 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (DEC. 3) UPI - With the postwar Cold War era over, Japan's Defense Agency has come under growing pressure to trim its spending for national defense buildups, government sources said Monday.

They said the Finance Ministry, in a bid to hold down national budget growth, is seeking the Defense Agency to cut down its expenditures to an annual growth rate of less than 4.0 percent.

The ministry contends the Soviet military threat to Japan in the Far East, the principal factor behind Japan's steady and substantial defense buildups in the past, has disappeared along with growing East-West detente, the sources said.

The Defense Agency has requested a 5.8 percent increase to $338.5 billion for its defense buildup spending in fiscal 1991, beginning next April 1.

Fiscal 1991 will be the first year of the next five-year, mid-term defense buildup plan to be implemented by the government.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu told a recent meeting of the national Security Council that Japan's defense policy is facing a turning point as a Cold War is over and the targets set by the 1976 National Defense Program Outline will be attained by the end of the current fiscal year.

The council agreed to set a new five-year buildup plan but decided to review it three years later with a view to scaling it down amid growing East-West detente.

The Defense Agency's buildup plan calls, among others, for the procurement of another Aegis electronic destroyer in addition to one ordered this year and seven more anti-submarine warfare helicopters for the Maritime Self-Defense Force and an additional 11 F-15 fighter interceptors for the Air Self-Defense Force.

The United States wants Japan to purchase an airborne warning and command system, known as the AWACS, to help curtail Japan's bloated bilateral trade imbalance which amounts to about $50 billion a year, according to recent news reports.

In line with the so-called burden sharing, the Defense Agency said its budget request includes an increased share of the costs for maintaining U.S. forces in Japan under the Japan-U.S. security treaty.

The agency asked for an appropriation of $523.6 million to shoulder part of salaries and fringe benefits for about 22,000 Japanese workers employed at U.S. military bases.

The United States maintains about 45,000 troops for the security of Japan, mostly in Okinawa, site of major U.S. military installations in the Pacific.

The sources said the Finance Ministry hopes to hold the net annual growth rate of Japan's defense outlays below the nation's net economic growth target set at 3.75 percent for the five-year period 1988-92.

Japan's defense budget grew at an annual rate averaging 5.4 percent during the current five-year period ending this fiscal year.

Japan spent a total of 18.4 trillion yen $141.5 billion for defense buildups over the last five years.

The sources said the 1992 fiscal budget to be compiled by the Finance Ministry is expected to exceed $538.5 billion for the first time.

The government normally compiles a draft budget in December for approval by parliament before a new fiscal year starts.

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#90337u0628 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NDJAMENA, CHAD (DEC. 3) UPI - A Chadian rebel leader denied Monday he received Libyan backing for his successful invasion of the Central African country, saying the equipment used by his forces was captured from the Chadian army.

Idriss Deby, speaking to reporters in the capital of N'Djamena hours after he triumphantly entered the city, confirmed that former President Hissene Habre was alive and had been able to escape to northern Cameroon.

The Libyan news agency Jana reported Sunday that Habre as well as members of his family and several aides had been killed while trying to escape Chad, but the reports were denied by military sources in neighboring Cameroon and by French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas.

''The military equipment that I invite you to visit was recovered in the field by my men,'' Deby said. ''We have not received any military help from Libya. The majority of the vehicles are marked FT for Forces Chadiennes and were used to protect the president.''

In Paris, a French Foreign Ministry spokesman said 1,600 persons had been flown out of the African country over the weekend and that about 100 additional French citizens stationed in southwest Chad would be arriving in the French capital Monday on a special flight.

The spokesman, Daniel Bernard, said only about 200 French nationals of 1,500 that live in Chad were still in the country. He said between 30 percent and 40 percent of those evacuated were third-country nationals, but gave no details.

Bernard said there had been no contacts between Paris and Tripoli over the events in Chad and did not indicate when or if Paris would recognize the new government in N'Djamena.

In Moscow, Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Vitaly Churkin said all

dependents of Soviet diplomats in Chad had been evacuated to Cameroon. He said only the Soviet charge d'affaires and one other embassy official remained in N'Djamena. He said Moscow had asked French troops to ensure the safety of Soviet citizens.

Military sources in Paris said the 800 soldiers sent to N'Djamena over the weekend to reinforce the 1,000 men permanently stationed in the country will be returned to their home bases in France very shortly.

Deby said he hoped to maintain good neighborly relations with Libya and will try to resolve the problems between the two countries through diplomacy. Chad and Libya have been at odds over control of the 1,000- mile long mineral-rich Aouzou Strip in northern Chad. In 1986 France sent troops to stop a Libyan offensive in northern Chad.

But on Sunday Dumas, explaining the French government's decision not to intervene in the fighting between Habre's and Deby's troops, said ''the days are gone when France had a choice of governments in these countries, changed their governments or maintained them when it wanted to do so.''

While France refused to intervene in the fighting, it increased its military presence to 1,800 men from 1,000 to insure the safety of its nationals. Almost 1,000 French citizens living in Chad were flown into Paris Sunday aboard two leased 747 Boeing jets.

''Today, if there were a Libyan offensive, we would react,'' Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement said over the weekend, adding that the current situation was not the same as in the past.

Deby told reporters his forces had almost captured Habre Nov. 25 near the town of Adre on the Chadian-Sudanese frontier about 124 miles from the eastern city of Abeche.

''He fled in a vehicle and we pursued him to Oichaloiba near Abeche, where he took a plane,'' Deby said. Habre is believed to have fled N'Djamena at dawn Saturday when he realized the city was lost, and his whereabouts were a mystery until late Sunday, when officials in Cameroon confirmed the former president had reached the town of Maroua in the north of the country.

N'Djamena was reported calm Monday despite sporadic gunfire heard overnight. A 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. curfew remained in place in the capital, authorities said.

Deby declared Sunday he wants to establish a democratic, multi-party political system in the desperately poor West African state and said that in the meantime the new president will be chosen by his Popular Salvation Movement.

Deby's troops entered Chad from Sudan three weeks ago, meeting little

resistance from forces loyal to Habre. They seized Abeche on Friday and quickly moved towards the capital of N'Djamena 450 miles to the southwest.

Deby's forces met no resistance when they arrived in N'Djamena Sunday and were able to enter the dusty town triumphantly.

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#90337u0641 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for November 30: Purchases of 675,538 shares and sales of 539,253 shares including 9,698 shares sold short.

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#90337u0703 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - Dozens of army officers rebelled in Argentina early this morning, seizing the main building of the army command headquarters and the capital's 1st Regiment barracks. Radio reports said other rebels apparently seized the Marine Prefecture of the port of Buenos Aires, as well as a tank factory in the Buenos Aires suburb of Bologne. Army spokesmen said three soldiers were killed in skirmishing. According to the spokesman, another six soldiers were wounded.

President Carlos Menem reportedly is holed up in his office at the downtown government palace only a half block from the captured army command headquarters. Menem declared a state of siege, which suspends some constitutional rights and allows police to make arrests without a warrant.

After a brief arrival ceremony in Brazil today, President Bush and Brazilian President Fernando Collor de Mello sat down for a working meeting. Bush arrived today in Brazil, kicking off a five-nation South American trip. Shortly after Bush arrived, news of the military mutiny in Argentina threatened to disrupt the trip. But a senior U-S official traveling with Bush said the situation in Argentina appeared to be ''an internal military squabble.'' Presidential assistant Andrew Card told reporters that there was ''NO contemplation of any change'' in Bush's plans to visit Argentina Wednesday.

The jury in the case of two youths charged in the rape of a Central Park jogger resume their deliberations today. Late yesterday, the jury asked to hear testimony from two police officers who arrested the teens. The testimony will be read back after the jury resumes deliberations this morning. Then they are expected to watch a videotaped confession from one of the defendants.

More than 35-hundred Lebanese soldiers took up positions in various parts of Beirut today, replacing thousands of Christian and Moslem militiamen who

engaged in bloody battles for the control of the city since 1975. Military sources said four army brigades started to expand control from their barracks around the city to fill the security vacuum left by the militiamen.

A winter storm is blasting the Midwest this morning. Snow, sleet and rain is reported in Iowa, Illinois and Michigan. Parts of Illinois could receive a foot of snow, and travel in the city of Chicago is hazardous for rush hour. At least 35-thousand electric customers in the Chicago area are without electric service. Winds downed power lines in the Detroit area, knocking out power to about 55-hundred customers.

Today is the day that New Mexico climatologist Iben Browning said was the most likely for an earthquake in the Midwest along the New Madrid fault. All over the Midwest, businesses and schools have held earthquake drills. People have stocked up on supplies, prepared their homes structurally and bought Millions of dollars worth of earthquake insurance.

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(DEC. 3) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Dec. 3:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberden pc	1pm	47	08
Amstrdm cy	1pm	48	08
Ankara r	3pm	48	09
Athens r	2pm	51	11
Aucklnd cy	12m	62	16
Beijing sm	8pm	36	02
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin cy	1pm	42	05
Bonn cy	1pm	43	06
Brussels cy	1pm	42	06
Cairo m	2pm	mm	mm
Casblnc cy	12n	75	23
Copnhgn dr	1pm	46	08
Dakar c	12n	79	26
Dublin dr	1pm	47	08
Geneva cy	1pm	37	03
Helsinki pc	2pm	43	06
Hong Kng c	8pm	59	15
Jerusalm c	2pm	79	26
Karachi m	5pm	mm	mm
Lisbon cy	1pm	51	11
London cy	1pm	45	07
Madrid c	1pm	46	08

Malta cy	1pm	56	13
Manila pc	8pm	80	26
Moscow cy	3pm	34	01
Nairobi c	3pm	72	22
Nassau cy	7am	72	22
New Delh c	6pm	66	19
Nice c	1pm	55	13
Oslo c	1pm	46	08
Paris cy	1pm	43	06
Pretoria r	2pm	64	17
Riyadh m	3pm	83	28
Rome pc	1pm	47	08
Seoul c	9pm	31	00
Sofia s	2pm	32	00
Stckhlm pc	1pm	46	08
Sydney cy	10pm	72	22
Taipei r	8pm	60	15
Tokyo c	9pm	54	12
Tunis cy	1pm	57	14
Vienna c	1pm	33	00
Warsaw cy	1pm	33	01

Latin America

Buenos Airs c	9am	67	19
Caracas cy	8am	68	20
Havana m	7am	mm	mm
Lima cy	7am	66	19
Mexic Cty hz	6am	53	12
Rio de Janr c	9am	85	29
Santiago c	8am	64	18

Canada

Calgary cy		07	-13
Edmonton cy		-02	-18
Montreal pc		45	07
Ottawa cy		40	04
Regina s		08	-13
Toronto cy		42	05
Vancouver r		38	03
Winnipeg s		10	-12

c-clear cy-cloudy d-dust dr-drizzle fy-foggy hz-haze pc-partly cloudy r-rain sl-sleet sm-smoke s-snow ts-thunderstorms w-windy

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#90337u0750 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The author of a book on the 1969 Chappaquiddick

accident in which Mary Jo Kopechne died in Sen. Edward Kennedy's car is eager for a suit filed against him by an investigator in the case to go to trial, a published report said Monday.

Bernard Flynn, a retired state police detective who investigated Kopechne's death for the Barnstable County District Attorney's Office, filed the suit in Barnstable District Court in June against Leo Damore, the author of ''Senatorial Privilege.''

The book examines the July 18, 1969, accident in which the Massachusetts senator's car went off a wooden bridge linking Chappaquiddick island and Martha's Vineyard.

Kopechne, 28, a passenger in the car, was unable to get out and drowned as the car sank. Kennedy managed to get out but said he was unable to rescue Kopechne despite several attempts.

Kopechne, of Kingston, Pa., had been an aide to Kennedy's late brother, Robert.

The book quotes Flynn as saying he met secretly on at least two occasions with Kennedy's brother-in-law, Stephen Smith, and lawyer Herbert J. Miller to inform them of the district attorney's probe of the mishap.

Flynn, of Falmouth, claims that prior to the start of an inquest, he turned over to Smith and Miller police investigatory reports on Kopechne's drowning.

In his suit, Flynn seeks $50,000 he claims Damore verbally promised him for information used in the book. Damore denies he promised to pay Flynn for the information and said he only promised to pay him $1,000 for expenses.

Damore, of Old Saybrook, Conn., told the Boston Herald in a report published Monday that he is eager to have the dispute resolved in court.

''I want to see him get up in a court of law and say, 'Yeah, I stole the evidence out of the DA's office and turned the information over to Steven Smith, and ultimately to Ted Kennedy so he could walk into an inquest and know the questions, and more importantly, know the answers. ''' Damore said.

''He stacked the cards of the inquest for Ted Kennedy,'' Damore said. ''He conspired to obstruct justice. He decided to inflict himself on history and now he wants to be paid for it?''

Kennedy eventually was exonerated of any criminal responsibility in the mishap.

Damore said he previously told Flynn he would not be paid for his information because to do so would ''taint the information, taint the book, but more importantly, it will taint you (Flynn).''

Flynn's suit is scheduled for trial Jan. 11.

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#90337u0795 12/03/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney cautioned congressional critics of the Bush administration's Persian Gulf policy Monday that there is no guarantee that waiting for sanctions to work will get Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait.

''The evidence is not all on the side of, we can wait indefinitely for sanctions to work,'' Cheney told the Senate Armed Services Committee whose hearings have helped trigger calls by some congressional Democrats to give sanctions against Iraq an extensive period to work.

Cheney, who appeared before the committee with Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said that if Saddam is allowed to retain Kuwait then ''we've got a hell of a problem'' because of his ability to dominate world oil reserves and influence the world economy.

Cheney said it would be ''far better for us to deal with him now'' when the international coalition is solidified against Saddam ''than it would be for us to deal with him five or 10 years down the road.''

The defense secretary said the approach of relying soley on sanctions ''would give Saddam a long breathing space in which he could concentrate his efforts. Because he could ignore the possibility of a military option, he could use the breathing space to work around the embargo, break up the alliance, enhance his military strength in Kuwait and move ahead on his nuclear weapons program.''

''Those who would have us rely indefinitely on economic sanctions alone need to face the possibility that they will fail to achieve our aims. Such a failure would have very serious consequences and those consequences must also be faced. ... We must not create a false dichotomy between sanctions and a military option. They are mutually reinforcing parts of a broad strategy to get Iraq out of Kuwait,'' said Cheney.

Cheney said that ''in excess of 70 percent of the world's proven oil reserves resides in the Persian Gulf, contrasted with some 3 percent in the United States, 6 percent in the Soviet Union.''

''There shouldn't be any doubt about the consequences of allowing a man like Saddam Hussein to control the world's supply of energy,'' Cheney said. ''Obviously, were he to do so, he'd have a choke hold on the world's economy; he would be able to control production levels and price; he'd be in a position to blackmail any nation, which chose not to do his bidding.''

Cheney also said of more concern than Saddam's ability to control price and

production, is ''what he does with his oil well,'' adding that Saddam would be able to ''use the revenues ... in ways that would be threateneing to the rest of the world.''

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#90337u0804 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - The Argentine army command has released a statement saying that about 50 officers were involved in an uprising this morning. It said the rebels captured only ''part'' of the command headquarters and 1st Regiment barracks. But witnesses said it appeared that insurgents controlled both facilities entirely and blocked the grounds to reporters. Army spokesmen said three soldiers were killed and six wounded in the fighting that occurred just two days before President Bush is due to visit the nation.

Shortly after arriving in Brazil this morning, President Bush was asked about the situation in Argentina. He answered ''I have no thoughts of changing my plans. I have great confidence in the security there.'' Bush met with Brazil's president, and the two opened their meeting with a discussion of the Persian Gulf crisis and its economic implications. Bush plans to visit five South American nations.

Continental Airlines filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy today, the second such filing for the carrier in seven years. Contiental cited dramatic jumps in fuel costs and highly leveraged debt as reasons for today's action. The Houston-based airline pledged NO disruption of service. However, the airline announced that it would sell its Seattle- Tacoma to Tokyo route to American Airlines for 150 Million dollars and said it has withdrawn other Pacific operations from the market.

A strong winter storm slammed the Midwest with rain, snow and ice today, knocking out power and tangling traffic as it moved east, where flood warnings are in effect. The storm was the first major taste of winter weather for northern Illinois, where 50 mile an hour gusts and up to 12 inches of snow were possible. The weather bureau said travel would be dangerous and could become impossible at times, especially near the Wisconsin border.

The astronauts aboard the space shuttle Columbia are doing some troubleshooting today. The crew is having problems activating one of the telescopes and there's trouble with the European-built Instrument Pointing System. The work delayed the start of routine science observations, but engineers are optimistic about resolving the problems.

Parties in Chancellor Helmut Kohl's center-right coalition sat down today to analyze the results from yesterday's all-German election before they start haggling over cabinet posts. The coalition parties received a comfortable majority of 54-point-eight percent of the vote, which will give them 398 seats in the 656-strong all-German parliament.

Amnesty International charged today that more than five-thousand people have been executed in Iran during the last three years. In a report released today, the organization accused the Iranian government of conducting what it called ''the most horrific wave of politcal executions since the early 1980's.'' The group said many people were sent to the gallows without trial and with only a cursory interrogation by a so-called ''Death Commission.''

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#90337u0808 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday agreed to decide if police are under more legal restrictions when they conduct a search with the full consent of a suspect than when they first obtain a search warrant.

The court agreed to hear an appeal by the state of Florida after that state's highest court said a consensual search of a car for drugs did not allow police to open a paper bag on the floor of the car.

Police found cocaine in the bag, but a trial court and the Florida Supreme Court threw out the evidence on the grounds that police had not received permission to extend the search from the car itself to the paper bag.

Courts have generally drawn a distinction between a search based on a warrant and a search based only on consent.

The Florida courts held that a consensual search is not legally considered to be based on probable cause - the key component in a court's issuing a warrant - and thus police do not have permission to conduct the same vast search as would be allowed by a warrant.

The state of Florida, in asking the high court to hear its appeal, argued that the ''proper interpretation of the scope of a consent search is that it is just as broad as a search based on warrant or probable cause.''

The Supreme Court in a 1982 case ruled that when a ''legitimate search is under way, and when its purpose and its limits have been precisely defined, nice distinctions between closets, drawers, and containers in the case of a home, or between glove compartments, upholstered seats, trunks, and wrapped packages, in the case of a vehicle, must give way to the interest in the prompt and efficient completion of the task at hand.''

Florida cited that case in arguing that a search based on the consent of a suspect should extend from a car to the packages inside. In that case the Supreme Court ruled that police who stop a car based on ''probable cause'' that drugs are being carried can conduct a warrantless search of the car, including compartments and containers, comparable to the search rights police would have obtained with a warrant.

That case, however, involved a tip from a reliable drug informant. In this case, Florida's courts held there was no ''probable cause'' and the entire search was based simply on consent.

The case involves the arrest of Enio Jimeno and his wife, Luz Piedad Jimeno, after a traffic stop in Dade County, Fla.

A police officer watched Enio Jimeno make a phone call and consult his beeper, overheard a conversation and became suspicious Jimeno might be involved in drug sales. Jimeno left the scene and the officer followed him, saw him enter and leave an apartment with a package, and then pulled Jimeno's car over for turning right at a red light without coming to a complete stop.

Jimeno and his wife, sitting in the front passenger side of the car, consented to a search of the car. The officer found a brown paper bag on the floor of the car. Although the Jimenos never specifically consented to search of the bag - and the officer never asked their permission - he opened the bag.

Florida courts later threw out the evidence.

A decision by the high court in the case is expected sometime next year.

90-622 State of Florida vs. Luz Piedad Jimeno and Enio Jimeno

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#90337u0809 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (DEC. 3) UPI - The Finance Ministry has decided to allow foreign investors to purchase stock in Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp. and will release 500,000 to 1 million shares annually over a 5- to 10-year period starting in fiscal 1991, Kyodo News Service reported Monday.

The Finance Ministry has so far sold 5.4 million of a total of 15.6 million NTT shares over the last three years.

Existing law requires the government to hold one third - or 5.2 million shares - in NTT, the world's largest telecommunications company. Foreign investors currently are barred from acquiring NTT shares.

The government plans to revise the law, allowing foreign investors to purchase the NTT stock, Kyodo said.

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#90337u0824 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (DEC. 3) UPI - Reflecting strong demand for new products and unusually warm weather, Japan's domestic shipments of beer in November hit a record high

of 36.66 million cases, each containing 20 bottles, up 11.0 percent over a year ago, the association of beer brewers reported Monday.

The association said shipments for the January-November period also gained 9.0 percent over a year ago to 454.6 million cases.

In view of brisk sales expected in December, a major gift sending season, domestic beer shipments for the whole of 1990 are certain to top a record 500 million cases, association officials said.

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#90337u0829 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The Supreme Court let stand Monday a decision that automobile dealers in one state can be sued by a neighboring state for false and misleading advertising.

The court refused to consider an appeal by four Omaha, Neb., dealerships sued for false advertising in Iowa. The suit was based largely on advertisements placed in a Nebraska newspaper with limited circulation in Council Bluffs, Iowa, which is across the Missouri River from Omaha.

The suit also contended advertisements placed in a telephone book and with television stations violated Iowa law.

The dealers contended they complied fully with Nebraska law where they conducted business - and thus should not be liable for suit in Iowa.

The Iowa Supreme Court, however, upheld a lower court ruling that the dealerships had enough contact with Iowa residents to justify a suit alleging false advertising under the Iowa Consumer Fraud Act, the Iowa Consumer Credit Code and the federal Truth-In-Lending Act.

The dealerships claimed they had no control over circulation of the Omaha World Herald, where the advertisements were placed.

They also contended that less than 2 percent of the newspaper's total circulation reaches Iowa residents, a figure too small to justify minimum contact needed to permit such a suit. They said the prosecution violated their rights to due process under the law.

But the state of Iowa claimed more than 11 percent of the newspaper's circulation is in Iowa, and that the dealers' advertisements appear on ''almost a daily basis'' in the ''Iowa edition'' of the newspaper delivered to Iowa residents.

''The Iowa contacts of these motor vehicle distributorships are sufficient to subject them to the personal jurisdiction of Iowa courts,'' the state argued.

''The dealers' efforts to serve the Iowa market through their advertisements in Iowa, and their location in a metropolitan area that is comprised, in part, of Iowa residents, are such that the dealers can reasonably anticipate being hauled into court in Iowa, particularly for actions concerning those very advertisements,'' the state wrote in its brief to the high court.

The dealers, however, disputed the state's contention of ''almost daily'' advertisements in the newspaper, noting that Iowa cited, for example, only 20 advertisements by one of the dealers over a nine-month period, along with advertisements on a Nebraska television station that reaches into Iowa.

''If the Iowa Supreme Court decision is allowed to stand, it will have a serious impact upon interstate commerce and the First Amendment rights of Nebraskans,'' the dealers wrote the high court.

''It would give the attorney general of the state of Iowa unprecedented power to regulate activities of other states by enforcing Iowa law beyond the borders of Iowa,'' the dealers continued. ''Such regulation would be an impermissible burden upon interstate commerce, in addition to the chilling effect upon the First Amendment rights through the regulation by Iowa of a Nebraska newspaper.

''Where, as here, the laws of two states conflict, the law of the state with the greater interest in the subject matter should be applied, '' the dealers wrote. ''It is clear that Nebraska interests are superior in this case.''

90-583 Baxter Chrysler Plymouth Inc., et al., vs. State of Iowa, et al.

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#90337u0873 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $382.00, silver base of $4.16 and platinum price of $427.10:

	Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$397.70	401.00
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	204.10	205.50
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	104.80	105.50
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.30	44.00
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	397.70	401.00
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	204.10	205.50
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.30	105.50
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.30	44.00
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	404.10	407.50
China Panda .50 troy oz.	208.20	210.00
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.00	109.00

China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.60	47.00
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.90	28.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	397.90	401.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	203.30	205.00
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	102.70	103.50
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.20	44.50
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	396.30	400.00
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	205.20	207.00
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.30	106.50
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.80	45.50
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	396.20	400.00
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	203.70	205.50
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.40	88.00
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	45.30	45.50
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.10	24.50
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.56	$5.55
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,190	$3,170
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,325
Platinum		
Australian Koala	442.00	441.00
Isle of Man Noble	439.00	438.00
Canada Maple Leaf	451.00	449.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90337u0904 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand the decision of Mississippi officials to suspend the medical license of a doctor on the grounds of mental instability, despite conflicting testimony from psychiatrists about whether the doctor was mentally ill.

The court refused to review a decision by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals that the Mississippi Medical Licensure Board was within its rights in 1987 when it suspended the license of Dr. Majd Pour, a doctor at Tunica Hospital.

Pour, whose three-year license suspension ended last March, claims the loss of the right to practice medicine is such a drastic measure that medical

licensing boards should be required to meet a ''clear and convincing'' evidence standard before suspending a license.

He contends the licensing board violated his 14th Amendment assurance of due process under the law.

Pour also asked the court to rule that due process would preclude a state from suspending a doctor's license because of a finding of mental illness, unless there was also evidence that the illness affected his or her ability to safely practice medicine.

The 5th Circuit ruled, however, that the Supreme Court in the past had limited the ''clear and convincing'' evidence standard of proof to ''proceedings involving termination of parental rights, involuntary commitment of the mentally ill, deportation of aliens, and denaturalization.''

''Although Dr. Majd contends that he has a liberty interest in practicing medicine and a property interest in his medical license, he does not contend that the Board's action interfered with any 'fundamental' right. ... The Supreme Court has not chosen to extend the 'clear and convincing' standard of proof to state medical licensing board decisions, and we decline to do so in this case.''

In proceedings before the board, some psychiatrists said Pour suffered from mental illness, while others said he was perfectly sane and no hazard to patients.

The 5th Circuit ruled that as a matter of procedural due process, ''the Constitution requires only that the Board's decision to suspend Dr. Majd's license be supported by 'some evidence' in the record.''

In another case Monday, the court let stand the decision of the Supreme Court of Illinois that hospital and hospital employees in that state have ''absolute immunity'' from civil liability for the conduct of hospital review committees.

That case involved a civil suit filed by Dr. Michael S. Cardwell, after being forced by a review panel at the Rockford Memorial Hospital in 1985 to undergo a psychiatric evaluation.

The courts held that state law precluded collecting damages in such a suit.

90-650 Dr. Ezzat Majd Pour vs. Mississippi Medical Licensure Board
90-557 Michael S. Cardwell, M.D., vs. Rockford Memorial Hospital, et al.

-30- 3067

#90337u0910 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (DEC. 3) UPI - Domestic drilling rates remained unchanged last week,

but offshore activity increased in most areas of the world, industry monitors reported.

The number of U.S. rotary rigs stayed even at 1,175, compared with 1, 062 the same week a year ago, Baker Hughes Inc. reported Sunday.

One more offshore rig went to work in the Gulf of Mexico, but an oversupply of rigs left the utilization rate in that area at ''a relatively soft'' 71.2 percent, with 151 of 212 rigs working, Offshore Data Services reported.

Activity in European waters remained steady for the third consecutive week, with 128 rigs working out of a fleet of 137, for a 93.4 percent utilization rate, ODS said.

Four rigs went back to work last week, boosting the worldwide utilization rate to 83.7 percent - the highest level since December 1985 - with 559 rigs working out of a total fleet of 668, ODS reported.

Other rig counts included Louisiana, 158 last week, 167 the week before and 159 the same week a year ago; Oklahoma, 153, 140 and 147; New Mexico, 68, 68 and 51; Texas, 418, 426 and 339; and Canada, 189; 186 and 128.

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#90337u0922 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand a decision that police, in some situations, have fewer rights to be issued Miranda warnings against self incrimination than do civilians.

The court refused to consider an appeal from Morgan County, Colo., Sheriff's Deputy Daniel Probasco, charged with criminally negligent homicide after a shooting while he was on duty. The charges were based in part on statements he made to police who came to his assistance.

Probasco contends he should have been told of his legal right to remain silent before being asked to explain the situation to colleagues at the scene, a warning that police would have been required to give to a civilian in the same situation.

A trial court agreed, ordering Probasco's statements thrown out of court.

But the Supreme Court of Colorado, in a divided opinion, allowed Probasco's statements to be included at trial, ruling that although the statements were made inside a police car, the sheriff's deputy was not legally in custody.

''The fact that Probasco was a police officer makes this situation unique,'' the court wrote.

Early on the morning of July 15, 1989, Probasco radioed that he was making a traffic stop. Minutes later he requested assistance, and officers from both the sheriff's department and the Fort Morgan Police Department arrived on the scene. They found Probasco kneeling over the body of Daniel E. Smith, who had been shot and later died.

According to police, Probasco twice said he would not discuss what happened. The officer in charge of the investigation said Probasco was ''overwhelmed'' by the situation, and he asked another officer to take him back to Probasco's patrol car and wait there.

Other officers eventually joined Probasco inside his car. One officer, who said he had seen Probasco's radio and baton on the porch of a nearby house, asked him ''how his stick and his radio wound up on the porch?''

Probasco then told police he stopped the driver, who shoved him and fled on foot. When Probasco found the man hiding under some bushes, he drew his service weapon and told Smith not to move. He said Smith then rose up and ''struck the end of his weapon and the weapon went off on him.''

The Miranda rule is based on a 1966 Supreme Court decision requiring police to inform a suspect of his or her right to remain silent before questioning and the right to the advice of a lawyer before any custodial interrogation.

The state of Colorado contended that Probasco was not technically in ''custody'' at the time of his statements. The Supreme Court of Colorado agreed.

''The trial court stated that a reasonable person sitting in a police car and surrounded by three other officers would feel that his freedom is curtailed,'' wrote the state's highest court. ''(But) in this case, the defendant was asked to sit in his police car, which is not a 'coercive environment.' A reasonable police officer, under these circumstances, would believe that he was simply following the orders of a superior in his place of employment.''

But in a dissenting opinion, two judges said the fact that Probasco was a law enforcement officer should not preclude him from the same legal protection of civilians.

''The trial court's ruling in this case is totally consistent with the principle that in highly stressful situations, such as a custodial interrogation, a suspect's abstract knowledge of his rights well might be less important than his ability to cope with the pressures of the situation,'' the dissenting opinion stated.

Probasco's lawyer asked the high court to take the appeal, noting that ''the issue of what constitutes 'custody' when the suspect is a peace officer has not been decided by this court.''

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#90337u0929 12/03/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 70.00-72.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 116.63-120.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 37.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $192.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $425.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $425.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 284.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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#90337u0933 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday refused to interrupt ongoing efforts to resolve a dispute over regulations governing abortion clinics in Illinois.

The court denied a request to step into the case only one day before oral arguments were scheduled to be heard in the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Anti-abortion forces petitioned the high court in an effort to stave off the hearing that could lead to final implementation of new regulations that resulted from an out-of-court settlement of an earlier dispute.

The regulations dramatically decrease proposed restrictions on abortion clinics. The stringent restrictions had been legally challenged and struck down by lower courts.

The high court was asked to hear an appeal-before-judgment by abortion opponents who claim the out-of-court settlement violates state rights by allowing legislatively enacted regulations to be amended without the legislature's approval.

The case grew out of another case that technically remains before the Supreme Court. Last term, the court deferred oral arguments in that case when Illinois officials agreed to consider a settlement proposal with pro-abortion factions, who had brought the suit.

The initially proposed regulations, which were never implemented, included the state's Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Center Act, the Health Facilities Planning Act and the Medical Practice Act.

Taken together, the acts presented a complex regulatory scheme that would have required extensive additions to abortion clinics such as elaborate heating, cooling and ventilation systems such as found in sophisticated operating rooms that were designed to accommodate major surgical procedures not minor procedures such as early abortions - one of the safest of outpatient procedures.

The 7th Circuit barred the state from implementing the regulations, bringing the initial case to the Supreme Court.

In a settlement finalized this summer, those regulations were loosened considerably.

But anti-abortion forces then stepped in and took legal action. They now claim that without the stricter guidelines there is no guarantee abortions in the state are being performed safely.

They asked the high court to outlaw the consent decree because it was enacted

without the approval of the Illinois General Assembly.

''Regardless of how you feel about this particular issue, pro-choice activists can no more rewrite medical regulations concerning women seeking abortion than polluters can rewrite environmental law,'' said Craig Greenwood, an attorney for the anti-abortion forces. ''Private citizens just cannot rewrite law.''

Greenwood said he asked the high court to step in before the 7th Circuit could rule because he would appeal a loss there to the Supreme Court anyway.

''Why should we go through this process, which could take another year?'' he said.

The 7th Circuit is scheduled to hold a hearing on the regulations Tuesday.

90-714 Ritaellen M. Murphy, et al. vs. Richard M. Ragsdale, M.D., et al.

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#90337u0946 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday let stand the cocaine conviction of a Missouri woman based on evidence police found after searching inside a purse that was recovered after she reported it stolen.

Ella Sumlin had asked the high court to throw out the eight-year prison term she received last year on drug and handgun charges stemming from evidence found in the search.

Sumlin contends the cocaine was not hers and could have been planted in the purse by the robber or police, and that regardless, police had no right to search the closed cigarette case where the drugs were found.

The Supreme Court, however, refused to review a decision by the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals that the search was reasonable based on the circumstances.

The appeals court also held that a jury could reasonably have found that the cigarette case - and some 60 grams of cocaine hidden inside - belonged to Sumlin, despite her denials and a police failure to find her fingerprints on the evidence.

On May 4, 1987, Sumlin was getting out of her car in a garage at her home in Sikeston, Mo., when she claims she was attacked by a masked man who snatched her purse. She grabbed a gun from inside the car and shot at the man, who fled toward an alley behind the home.

Neighbors reported gunshots to the police. Sumlin drove to the grocery and package store she operated nearby, where police took a statement in which she

described the purse and its contents, including a .38-caliber Colt revolver, complete with serial number.

A police officer found a blue purse behind Sumlin's home about 20 minutes after the assault. He testified he searched the purse to determine for sure if it was Sumlin's and found a bankbook and the revolver, along with a closed cigarette case.

The officer opened the cigarette case, he said, in hopes of finding a driver's license or credit cards to confirm ownership, but instead found nearly 60 grams of cocaine packaged in small amounts.

Testimony conflicted over whether the officer searched the cigarette case before or after identifying the other items. Sumlin claimed her purse was black, not blue like the one found.

On April 5, 1989, Sumlin was convicted of possession of cocaine with intent to distribute and carrying a firearm in commission of a felony.

She was sentenced to three years in prison on the cocaine charge and five years - without probation or parole - on the firearms charge.

Sumlin's attorneys contend the search of the recovered stolen purse went beyond identification purposes, and without a warrant violated her Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable searches and seizures.

They also said the break in the chain-of-custody - Sumlin did not have the purse for some 20 minutes after it was stolen - preclude her conviction for possessing the cocaine.

90-725 Ella Sumlin vs. United States

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#90337u0964 12/03/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 3) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Bob Evans Farms Inc (2nd Q 10-25)	
$127,293,000	$114,580,000
$8,792,000 (.28)	$7,646,000 (.23)
Harnischfeger Indus (4th Q 10-31)	
$484,311,000	$424,141,000
$20,592,000 (.65)	$21,372,000 (.66)
Intelligent Electronics (4th Q 10-31)	

$395,281,000 $288,737,000
$9,210,000 (.65) $4,683,000 (.34)

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#90337u0978 12/03/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 3) UPI - Small-arms fire is being heard in parts of Buenos Aires, Argentina, this morning as loyalist army forces try to put down a rebellion by rival military forces. The army reports that three soldiers have died and another six were wounded in the action. Argentine President Carlos Menem has declared a state of siege in what has become a political embarrassment for him. The uprising... Argentina's fourth since democracy returned in 1983... comes just two days before President Bush is to arrive for a state visit.

President Bush is in Brazil for the start of a five-nation South American tour. And he is expected to deliver his most imporant speech of the trip while in South America's largest country. Bush is to outline what is being called an ''initiative to the Americas,'' detailing the growing role that Latin America has in U-S policy. Bush has spent the last two weeks in trips to Europe, the Middle East and Mexico.

Defense Secretary Cheney says there is NO guarantee that waiting for economic sanctions to work will get Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait. Cheney told the Senate Armed Services Committee this morning that it would be- quoting now- ''far better for use to deal with him now'' with a unified front than five or 10 years down the road.

The shuttle Columbia is high overhead today with the crew trying to get a telescope aiming system back on line. Ground controllers sent new computer instruction up to the shuttle but report only partial success. The 10-day mission is already six months late because of repeated fuel leaks aboard Columbia. It is centered around a 150-Million-dollar series of telescopes that are sensitive to X-rays and ultra-violet light emissions normally blocked by the Earth's atmosphere.

Thousands of Lebanese army troops deployed through the capital city of Beirut today, replacing the Christian and Moslem militiamen who had occupied the city and battled for control of it since 1975. More than 35-hundred Lebanese soldiers moved into positions in the city, where residents have endured lawlessness and periodic fighting in the civil war. A Lebanese Defense Ministry statement announced the withdrawal of the last militia units today.

Rival black factions armed with guns and axes battled overnight in a black township east of Johannesburg, and police reported today that at least 45 people have been killed. The latest violence in the township erupted yesterday. It is the latest outburst of trouble between backers of the African National Congress and the Inkatha movement.

The holding company for Houston-based Continental Airlines has flown itself back into Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection for the second time in seven years. The actual papers were filed in Wilmington, Delaware. Continental says there will be NO disruption of service while it works under court protection to come up with a new payment plan for creditors. Heavy debt is given as one reason for the bankruptcy filing... that, and a 125 percent increase in jet aviation fuel costs following Iraq's takeover of Kuwait.

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#90337u0985 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 3) UPI - The Russian Federation's legislature, continuing to implement radical economic change in the largest Soviet republic, voted Monday to allow individuals to buy, sell and own private property.

The new law, part of a comprehensive agrarian reform package, gives local governments substantial control over all land transactions.

Limitations placed on the law do not permit the full freedom of property ownership enjoyed in the West, but it grants greater liberty than allowed in the giant Russian republic since the 1930s when Josef Stalin nationalized all land in his brutal collectivization drive.

The measure sanctions private ownership, says land must be held for at least 10 years before it can be sold and requires an owner to sell the land only to the local government that has jurisdiction where it is located.

The Russian Congress of People's Deputies, in its second week of session, approved the law by a 602-369 vote with 40 abstentions.

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(DEC. 3) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Cousins Properties	Q	.15	12-21	12-10
EDO Corp	Q	.07	1-2	12-14
MAPCO Inc	Q	.25	12-21	12-10
Suave Shoe Corp	Q	.10	1-11	12-31
Washington Natl	Q	.27	1-2	12-11

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-Annual

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The value of new construction increased in October to an annual rate of $434.4 billion from a revised $428.9 billion in September the Commerce Department said Monday.

For the first ten months of the year, the value of new construction put in place totaled $369.4 billion, up from $361.4 billion during the like 1989 period. Spending on new housing construction was at an annualized rate of $121.5 billion in October, down from an estimated $123.3 billion in September.

Nonresidential building was put in place at an annualized rate of $102 billion down from $102.8 billion the month before and the lowest level since last December.

Public construction was put in place at an annualized rate of $117.8 billion, up eight percent from a rate of $109.4 billion in September. October's spending topped the previous record of $115.8 billion set in August.

Overall residential construction spending, including that for single- and multi-family units, totalled an annualized rate of $179.5 billion in October, the lowest level since March 1986, when total residential construction was valued at $177.4 billion.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The Air Force announced Monday that Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard fighter and support units have been alerted for an upcoming call-up in support of Operation Desert Shield in the Persian Gulf.

''This is the first time Air Force Reserve and Guard tactical fighter units have been alerted for active duty call-up for the Middle East crisis,'' the Air Force announced, adding that the active duty units ''are being announced as they occur.''

One Reserve - the 926th Tactical Fighter Group, New Orleans, La. - and three Guard fighter units were alerted. From the Guard are: the 169th Tactical Fighter Group, McEntire Air National Guard Base, Eastover, S.C.; the 174th Tactical Fighter Wing, Hancock Field, Syracuse, N.Y.; and elements of the 152nd Tactical Reconnaissance Group, Reno, Nev.

The 926th Tactical Fighter Group flies the A-10, the 169th flies the F-16A, the 174th flies the only F-A-16s in the Air Force and the 152nd flies RF-4Cs.

In addition to the fighter units, the Air Force announced that the following Air National Guard security police flights have been alerted for call-up:

The 112th, Pennsylvania Air National Guard; the 121st, Ohio Air National Guard; the 122nd, Indiana Air National Guard; the 127th, Michigan Air National

Guard; the 150th, New Mexico Air National Guard; the 131st, Missouri Air National Guard; and the 186th, Mississippi Air National Guard.

The Air Force announced that the following units have already been called up for active duty:

The 140th Security Police Flight, Buckley Air National Guard Base, Colorado; the 174th Services Flight, Hancock Field, Syracuse, N.Y.; the 169th Services Flight, McEntire Air National Guard Base, South Carolina; and the 240th Combat Communications Squadron, a tenant unit of the 169th Tactical Fighter Group.

The Air Force recently announced the folloiwing active duty unit deployments to the Middle East:

The 23rd Tactical Air Support Squadron from Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Arizona, deployed OA-10s to the Arabian Peninsula Nov. 24. The 820th Red Horse Civil Engineering Squadron, a combat construction unit from Nellis Air Force Base, Nev., deployed Nov. 28. The 48th Tactical Fighter Wing, RAF Lakenheath, England, sent additional F-111 fighters Nov. 29. Elements of the 728th Tactical Control Squadrom, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., were scheduled to begin deploying Monday. A second contingent of F-117 stealth fighters left their desert home in Tonopah, Nev., Sunday, and were scheduled to depart for the Middle East Monday.

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#90337u1040 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 3) UPI - Pitcher Dennis Martinez decided to bypass the lucrative free agent market, signing a three-year guaranteed contract Monday reportedly worth $9.25 million with the Montreal Expos.

Martinez, 35, was expected to be granted second-look free agency and Expos general manager Dave Dombrowski said he had received a lot of interest by teams in the right-handed pitcher.

''Trying to compete, win the division crown ... we did not feel we could lose our No. 1 pitcher,'' Dombrowski said.

Terms of the contract were not disclosed, but Dombrowski said speculation on $3 million a year ''is an accurate guess for anyone in the free agent market.''

Dombrowski said it was important to sign Martinez to start the winter meetings in a positive way.

''We felt Dennis was the horse of our staff and that it was very important to sign him,'' Montreal Manager Buck Rodgers said. ''He was our ace. He was the guy who put the innings and the wins on the board.''

Martinez was 10-11 with a 2.95 ERA last season, ninth best in the National League, and appeared in the first All-Star Game in his 15-year major league career. The new contract will replace the final year of a two-year extension signed prior to the 1990 season.

Martinez has a 55-41 record in five seasons with Montreal, and is 163-134 lifetime in the majors.

Last season, he pitched 226 innings, striking out 156 and holding opponents to a .228 average.

Earlier Monday, the Expos announced they had released outfielder Roland Roomes and pitcher Dale Mohorcic. Roomes hit .227 in 46 games for Cincinnati and Montreal last year, while Mohorcic was 1-2 with a 3.23 ERA and two saves in 34 relief appearances.

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#90337u1058 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday strengthened the so-called Miranda rights of criminal suspects, ruling that once an accused has invoked his right to counsel he cannot later be questioned again without an attorney present.

The court, by a 6-2 vote, extended the boundaries of the 1966 Miranda decision that entitles a criminal suspect to the right to remain silent and have an attorney present during questioning.

The court ruled that once the right to a lawyer is invoked once, police cannot later come to the suspect and try to get him to confess without a lawyer present.

''Whatever the ambiguities of our earlier cases on this point, we now hold that when counsel is requested, interrogation must cease, and officials may not reinitiate interrogation without counsel present, whether or not the accused has consulted with his attorney,'' wrote Justice Anthony Kennedy for the court majority.

''A single consultation with an attorney does not remove the suspect from persistent attempts by officials to persuade him to waive his rights, or from the coercive pressures that accompany custody and that may increase as custody is prolonged,'' Kennedy wrote.

Justice David Souter was not yet a member of the court when the case was argued Oct. 3, and so took no part in the decision.

The case involves Robert Minnick, who had been on death row in Mississippi since a 1987 double-murder conviction based in large part on a jailhouse

''confession.''

Minnick claimed his rights were violated after his August 1986 arrest in California on a fugitive warrant from Mississippi.

While an inmate at a San Diego jail, he invoked his Miranda rights and refused to talk extensively with police about a double murder in Mississippi that occurred some four months earlier.

But after having met with a lawyer, Minnick claims he was told he would ''have to talk'' to a deputy sheriff who visited him in his cell. Without his lawyer present he allegedly confessed to a role in the killings.

Minnick was extradited to Mississippi and convicted of two counts of capital murder.

On appeal, he claimed that because he had invoked his right to speak with an attorney before questioning, he could not be questioned later without a lawyer present.

The Supreme Court of Mississippi upheld the conviction, relying on the Supreme Court's 1981 Edwards vs. Arizona decision that once an accused requests a lawyer, police may not reinitiate questioning ''until counsel has been made available'' to him.

Mississippi's highest court held that since Minnick had talked to an attorney, counsel had been ''made available to him,'' and further questioning could proceed later on, even without a lawyer present.

The Supreme Court Monday ruled that the Mississippi courts misinterpreted its earlier decisions.

''We decline to remove protection from police-initiated questioning based on isolated consultations with counsel who is absent when the interrogation resumes,'' wrote Kennedy.

But in a dissenting opinion, Justice Antonin Scalia, joined by Chief Justice William Rehnquist, wrote that the court was handcuffing legitimate police work.

''The existence and the importance of the Miranda-created right 'to have counsel present' are unquestioned here,'' wrote Scalia. ''What is questioned is why a state should not be given the opportunity to prove . .. that the right was voluntarily waived by a suspect who, after having been read his Miranda rights twice and having consulted with counsel at least twice, chose to speak to a police officer ... without counsel present.''

Scalia wrote that the court's decision ''provides 100 percent assurance against confessions that are 'the result of coercive pressures,''' in such

cases. ''But so would a rule that simply excludes all confessions by all persons in police custody.''

Minnick was awaiting execution for the April 26, 1986, murder of Donald Ellis Thomas and Lamar Lafferty. They were killed while Minnick and another man - who had broken out of jail - allegedly were stealing guns from a trailer home in rural Clarke County, Miss.

The court's decision Monday vacates Minnick's murder conviction and death sentence. He can be tried again, but prosecutors will not be permitted to use the jailhouse confession as evidence.

89-6332 Robert S. Minnick vs. State of Mississippi

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#90337u1063 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - Foreign ministers of three major Arab states directly involved in the Persian Gulf crisis prepared to meet in Cairo Monday evening to coordinate policy after Baghdad's decision to hold talks with the United States.

The meeting of the anti-Iraqi alliance approached as an Iraqi official remained defiant and boasted Monday that any attack on his country to liberate Kuwait would result in the destruction of the aggressing force and the states that invited the attack.

The Iraqi threat was made two days after Baghdad accepted a U.S. proposal for last-minute talks on the gulf crisis before the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait or face military sanctions, and a day after it tested a Soviet-designed Scud missile.

In Washington, U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney told Senate hearings on U.S. policy in the gulf that a man like Saddam Hussein could not be allowed to control the world'd supply of energy.

Cheney's remarks came after his Cabinet colleague, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, was quoted as saying he was optimistic about a peaceful outcome to the gulf crisis provided Saddam understands that the world community was against him.

In Kuala Lumpur, Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad said Monday Malaysia and other Islamic countries were prepared to mediate to help resolve the crisis in the gulf if the United Nations was not able to do so.

The Cairo meeting of the anti-Iraqi Arab alliance came as Baghdad remained defiant over calls for it to withdraw from Kuwait.

Iraq's official INA news agency quoted Information Minister Latif Nsayef Jassim as saying any allied attack on Iraq to liberate Kuwait, ''would be a catastrophe to the aggressing forces and the parties that invited them,'' a reference to gulf Arab states such as Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.

Cairo Radio said the talks between the foreign ministers of Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia will be the third in less than two months. The other two meetings took place in the Syrian capital Damascus and the Saudi Arabian Red Sea port of Jeddah.

Both Egypt and Syria have sent troops to the gulf to serve with the U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the region after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''The coming weeks will be crucial and the decisions to be taken during these weeks will be decisive to the three states and the Arab nation,'' Syria's Foreign Minister Farouk Sharaa told reporters in Cairo in an arrival statement.

Syria has sent some 4,000 troops to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates to counter any further Iraqi aggression, but Syrian Defense Minister Mustafa Tlass was quoted over the weekend as saying his country was ready to send an additional 500,000 troops to the gulf if necessary to deter Iraqi aggression.

Egypt has dispatched up to 20,000 troops to the gulf and is the third largest contributor after the United States and Britain London is boosting the size of its force to 30,000.

Sharaa said U.S. President George Bush's recent initiative to open a dialogue with Iraq would be among the topics of discussion at the Cairo meeting.

''We hope the (Bush) initiative will lead to the complete implementation of the Arab and United Nations resolutions,'' Sharaa said.

Syria and Iraq are ruled by rival wings of the Baath Arab Socialist party and Syrian President Hafez Assad considers Saddam his enemy No. 1 in the Arab world.

Iraq's official INA news agency quoted Information Minister Latif Nsayef Jassim as boasting that allied forces and moderate Arab states such as Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates would suffer a catastrophe if they attacked his country.

''It would be a catastrophe to the aggressing forces and the parties that had invited them," INA quoted Jassim as saying. "The United States and its allies are trying to desecrate the Arab and Moslem sanctities and dominate Arab wealth.''

As Jassim uttered his threat against gulf Arab states and their allies, Cheney used charts to demonstrate during the Senate hearings on U.S. policy in the gulf why Saddam had to be stopped.

Cheney showed that, ''in excess of 70 percent of the world's proven oil reserves reside in the Persian Gulf, contrasted with some 3 percent in the United States, 6 percent in the Soviet Union.''

Cheney warned, ''There shouldn't be any doubt about the consequences of allowing a man like Saddam Hussein to control the world's supply of energy. Obviously, where he to do so, he'd have a choke on the world's economy. He would be able to control production levels and price. He'd be in a position to blackmail any nation, which chose not to do his bidding.''

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 3) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

Major potato markets: FOB shipping points, per hundredweight unless otherwise stated:

Round reds (100 lb sacks) Colorado 8.50-9.00. Minnesota-North Dakota 8.50-9.50.

Norkotahs and Burbanks (100 lb sacks, non- size A) Colorado 6.00-6.50, Idaho 6.50-7.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) Wisconsin 11.00- 13.00, Washington 14.00-15.00, Colorado 12.00- 15.00, Idaho 14.00-16.00, Oregon 14.00-15.00; (50 lb cartons, 100 count) Wisconsin 8.00-8.50, Washington 11.00-12.00, Colorado 10.00-12.00, Idaho 10.00-11.00, Oregon 10.00-12.00.

Round whites (100 lb sacks) Wisconsin 5.75- 6.25.

Colorado centennials (100 lb sacks, non-size A) 5.50-6.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) 9.00- 12.00, (100 count) 7.00-10.00.

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OMAHA (DEC. 3) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 1,900; trading on slaughter steers and heifers rather slow, prices both classes weak to 50 lower than last Wednesday, slaughter cows 1.00 lower, slaughter bulls steady; steers choice No 2-4 1100-1350 lb 80.50-81.50, near load reputation fed 82.00, select and choice No 2-3 1050-1250 lb 79.50-80.50, select 76.50-79.50; holsteins choice No 2-3 1200-1450 lb 71.00-72.00, select and choice No 2-3 1150- 1350 lb 69.50-71.00, select 68.00-69.50; heifers choice No 2-4 950-1250 lb 80.50-81.50, near 2 loads reputation fed 82.00, select and choice No 2-3 950-1150 lb 79.50-80.50, select 76.50-79. 00; cows high cutter, utility, commercial 2-4 breaking 47.00-50.00, boning 47.00-51.00, low to average cutter 44.00-48.00.

Hogs 1,400; butchers moderately active, 2. 00-2.50 higher than Friday, No 1-3 220-260 lb 50.00-50.50, near 100 head 220-240 lb 51.00, No 2-3 260-280 lb 49.50-50.00, 280-290 lb 48.50-49. 50; sows 30 percent, 1.00-1.50 higher than Friday, No 1-3 350-500 lb 43.00-43.50, few 44. 00, No 2-3 500 650 lb 43.50-44.00, few 43.00.

Sheep 200; slaughter lambs and ewes steady; shorn slaughter lambs choice and prime 110-130 lb No 1-2 pelts 45.00-47.00, weights outside these ranges discounted; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 120-130 lb 43.00-45.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00, few to 10.00.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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#90337u1099 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (DEC. 3) UPI - Simone Cousteau, the wife of French sea explorer Jacques-Yves Cousteau, died at her home in the Principality of Monaco, the Cousteau Foundation announced Monday. She was 72.

The cause of her death Sunday was not given.

Mrs. Cousteau avoided the spotlight but shared her husband's love of the sea.

She was reportedly the first woman to dive using an autonomous underwater helmet and the first to live in an underwater house.

Born in Algeria, Mrs. Cousteau was raised in Japan and spent 40 years accompanying her husband on more than 1,000 missions aboard his research vessel ''The Calypso.''

Mrs. Cousteau had two sons, one of whom, Phillipe, died during an expedition with his father.

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#90337u1118 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - A steel importers' and exporters' group Monday urged the application of a 10-year ''moving average'' to exchange rates to calculate the values of international transactions.

A moving average would fix the exchange rate for a transaction at the average for the 10 years preceding the date of the deal.

The American Institute for Imported Steel Inc. said the 10-year average should become an amendment to world anti-dumping laws that otherwise could become ''weapons of protectionism'' by the time the steel Voluntary Restraint Agreements expire in March 1992.

If exchange rate fluctuation is ignored, the Institute said, it ''could lead to turmoil in international steel markets and trade wars that will seriously damage the global economy.''

John Griffin, president of the Institute, told its annual meeting, ''We fear present laws, both here and abroad, will obstruct trade expansion by imposing unreasonable risks for exporters and importers and may lead to turmoil in international steel markets after March 1992 when current VRAs expire.

If the exchange rate between two countries' currencies changes from the historical 4:1 to 2:1, for example, the country with the stronger currency could be construed to be dumping as its home market price doubles when converted to the other's currency.

''Under present anti-dumping rules throughout the world, international traders can become targets of expensive litigation for reasons entirely beyond their control,'' Griffin added.

He said the most obvious solution to the problem would be for governments to stabilize exchange rates by means of sound fiscal policies such as balanced budgets and reduced foreign borrowing.

''Since that is too much to hope for in the foreseeable future,'' Griffin said

the Institute is proposing the 10-year moving average.

He said such a move would strengthen anti-dumping laws by ''sharpening the focus on truly predatory acts of international price discrimination unrelated to shifting exchange rates.''

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(DEC. 3) UPI - A state of siege has been declared in Argentina as rebel soldiers occupy the headquarters of the army chief of staff and a regimental barracks in Buenos Aires. The revolt comes just two days before a scheduled visit by President Bush and the sound of small-arms fire can be heard in the streets.

President Bush has gone before Brazil's Congress with a call for more free enterprise and free trade. The speech comes in the first stop of what will be a five-nation journey through South America. Bush told Brazilians that Iraq's takeover of Kuwait will cost them five-BILLION dollars in higher oil prices.

Defense Secretary Cheney cautioned critics of Bush administration policy in the Persian Gulf that there is NO guarantee that sanctions will work in forcing Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. Cheney told the Senate Armed Services Committee hearings on the Gulf crisis that it would be better to deal with Iraq now, with a unified, world- wide front.

The official Soviet news agency Tass reports that a man with a home- made bomb attempted to hijack a domestic Soviet airliner to Stockholm, but the pilot landed in Leningrad and the sky pirate was safely disarmed. NO injuries are reported.

Four years of troubled world trade talks are boiling down to the final week with a lot of work still to be done. Trade ministers from 107 countries have started final proceedings in Belgium with considerable disagreement still reported for agriculture, services and other key areas of discussion.

The Food and Drug Administration today approved the first over-the- counter drug for treatment of vaginal yeast infections, which strike nearly three-quarters of all women during their lifetimes. The drug has been available for treatment of yeast infections for more than a decade.

Much of the southern half of Wisconsin is paralyzed as a blizzard plows its way East. State government offices have been closed in snow- bound areas, and Madison is already buried under nine inches of snow, enough to force city buses off the streets at rush hour. This is already the heaviest snowfall in Madison since 1902, and another foot is predicted. That could easily pass the current single-day record of 13- point-two inches of snow set on December 15th 1987.

The founder and long-time director of the high-kicking Radio City Music Hall Rockettes is dead. Russell Markert died at a Waterbury, Connecticut, hospital over the weekend at the age of 91. A native of Jersey City, New Jersey, Markert was chief choreographer of the Rockettes from the day Radio City Music Hall opened in 1932 until his retirement in 1971.

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#90337u1136 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - Housing affordability was at a two-year high in October, giving those with the financial wherewithal or flexibility a prime time to enter the market, the National Association of Realtors said Monday.

The association's housing affordability index stood at 113.4 in October, up from 110.8 the month before.

The index meant a family earning the national median income of $35, 353 had 113.3 percent of the income needed to qualify for a conventional mortgage covering 80 percent of the value of a median-priced house.

The improved affordability stemmed from a drop in the median housing price to $92,800 from $94,400 in September, a $114 rise in median family income and a decline in the amount of income needed to qualify for conventional financing.

The association's index has not been higher since December 1977 when it stood at 116. It reached 113.5 in September 1988.

But if housing affordabilty is so good, why are housing sales down in much of the nation? It comes down to confidence, said Harley Rouda, the association's president and a realtor from Columbus, Ohio.

''Objectively, market conditions are excellent, and are at odds with home sales activity,'' Rouda said. ''The missing link is consumer confidence - the housing affordability index indicates that conditions are better than they've been in over two years.''

Rouda said the real estate market is ''ripe'' for buyers who have been waiting for the best time to enter.

Based on conditions in October, a family earning $20,000 would have enough income to qualify for a $59,500 home using a $47,600 loan while a family earning $30,000 would qualify for an $89,300 home with a $71,400 loan.

A family earning $40,000 would have sufficient income to qualify for a $119,000 home with a $95,200 loan and a family with a $50,000 income would qualify for a $148,800 home using a $119,000 loan.

Regionally, prospective buyers in the Northeast and West are still having trouble qualifying for home loans. Both of these regions carry the nation's highest median housing prices, and the Northeast has been hit by a wave of recession.

''Housing activity generally is stronger in areas of the country where there is an ample supply of lower-cost homes, like the Midwest and South, and activity is softer in those higher-cost regions of the country, like the Northeast and West,'' said John Tuccillo, the association's chief economist.

In the Northeast, a family earning the median income of $41,376 fell short by almost 10 percent of having enough income to qualify for a median-priced home of $136,200. Still, the region's 90.1 on the affordability index is an improvement from the 88.4 posted in September.

In the West, a family with the median income of $37,631 had only 80.8 percent of the income needed to buy a home priced at $140,600, the region's median. The index was down from 84.6 in September.

But prospective buyers could find better conditions in the Midwest and South, both of which boast a large stock of lower-priced housing.

In the Midwest, a family earning the region's median income of $36, 127 had 147.9 percent of the income needed to qualify for a loan to purchase a home priced at $72,100, the median for the region. In September, the index stood at 141.5.

In the South, a family with median earnings of $31,795 had 112.7 percent of the income needed to buy a median-priced homes of $83,400. The region's index for September reached 109.

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#90337u1145 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (DEC. 3) UPI - Stock prices closed higher Monday in sparse trading on the London International Stock Exchange amid optimism talks between the United States and Iraq could lead to a diplomatic breakthrough in the Middle East.

Stocks also gained in Frankfurt. Trading was active.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 13.8 points Friday, closed up another 13.3 points to 2,162.7. The narrower top 30 industrial average gained 12.5 points to 1,695.3.

Volume amounted to around 326 million shares vs. 331 million changing hands Friday.

Analysts said one of Britain's largest brokerages magnified the overall

volumewith an estimated $171 million of trades in a ''basket of program trades.''

Analysts said stocks opened sharply higher in response to expectations of a peaceful solution to the Mideast crisis.

However, stocks slipped from their highs, reflecting a hesitant start to trading on Wall Street and with worries over interest rates. This sent professional investors to the sidelines.

The approach of the Christmas holidays, previously considered the limit date for an interest rate cut, also contributed to some late profit taking, analysts said.

On the economic front, the Central Statistical Office reported Britain's retail sales volume fell 1.1 percent in October from September and was down a revised 0.5 percent from October 1989.

The report was in line with market expectations, analysts said.

The government also reported new consumer credit extended by finance houses, building societies, other specialist credit grantors and retailers totaled a record seasonally adjusted $8.04 billion in October, fueled by record credit-card and finance-house activity.

Among widely traded stocks, health and household products giant Glaxo Holdings climbed 46 cents to $15.94 on favorable prospects for potential profits from its new anti-asthma drug, Severent.

Oil companies performed well on prospects for cheaper prices for cheap oil, with Burmah Castrol gaining 24 cents to $8.95. Similarly, British Airways added 12 cents to $2.93.

Westland Group, the aerospace and defense company, added 6 cents to $1.99 after reporting a 9.6 percent rise in its latest earnings. In tandem, Westland's major stakeholder, the motor company GKN gained 16 cents to $6.23.

On the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, the closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 22.31 points Friday, tacked onm another 21.35 points to 1,441.23.

Analysts said investors' enthusiasm was boosted by Chancellor Helmut Kohl's victory and by lower oil prices.

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WILMINGTON, DE (DEC. 3) UPI - Continental Airlines Holdings Inc. said a 125 percent jump in the cost of jet fuel forced the carrier to file for ''business

as usual'' bankruptcy protection Monday so it could restructure its $2.2 billion debt.

It was the second Chapter 11 filing for Continental in seven years.

Houston-based Continental Airlines, which filed for protection from creditors in Wilmington, pledged no disruption of service but also announced it would sell its Seattle-Tacoma to Tokyo route to American Airlines for $150 million.

Continental Chairman Hollis Harris told a news conference the Chapter 11 filing marked ''a business-as-usual bankruptcy'' that would not disrupt operations, lower employee compensation or have any impact on airfares.

Harris said the sharp rise in jet fuel since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait gave the airline no alternative but to seek Chapter 11 to restructure its $2.2 billion debt, about $1.7 billion of which is secured.

He said Continental's jet fuel costs had gone up by $70 million as of Oct. 15 compared with levels prior to the Iraqi invasion.

The company paid $1.28 a gallon for jet fuel systemwide Oct. 15 compared with 57.5 cents a gallon before the invasion, he said.

Continental is the second member of the airline empire once controlled by Frank Lorenzo to seek Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. Eastern Airlines of Miami filed for Chapter 11 protection in March 1989 after its unions launched a crippling strike against the carrier.

In April, the federal bankrupcty court overseeing the case wrested control of Eastern away from Lorenzo and appointed Martin R. Shugrue, former president of Continental Airlines, as trustee to oversee the troubled airline.

In August, Lorenzo sold most of his investment in the holding company, formerly known as Texas Air Corp., and stepped down as chairman.

Continental filed for bankruptcy a little more than a month after strongly denying that skyrocketing fuel costs would prompt a second Chapter 11 filing.

Rising fuel costs and a slowing economy, which together have hurt even the industry's strongest carriers, are expected to result in dramatic industry losses in the fourth quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, the Continental Airlines Holdings lost $97 million, or $2.83 a share, on revenues of $4.9 billion. In the third quarter alone, Continental Airlines lost $55.1 million on revenues of $1.4 billion.

''We enter Chapter 11 by necessity,'' said Harris. ''It has temporarily alleviated our debt problem and will help us cope with high fuel costs.''

Continental spokesman Ned Walker described the 125 percent increase in jet fuel costs as an ''unprecedented crisis'' for the airline industry. The fuel hike primarily has been blamed on the situation in the Persian Gulf.

Continental said it expects to pay $1.1 billion for fuel this year, about $231 million more than it would have paid had the Persian Gulf crisis not occurred, Harris said.

The Chapter 11 filing will give Continental, the fifth-largest U.S. air carrier, protection from creditors while the company restructures its debt and implements a plan to pay creditors.

Continental has carried about $2.2 billion in debt plus nearly $4 billion in aircraft operating leases not included in its balance sheet.

The airline has been unable to meet its debt repayment schedule. The debt primarily accumulated from the mergers of New York Air, Frontier Airlines and People Express with Continental, the company said.

''Continental will continue full flight schedules. We are confident that there will be no need for layoffs, pay cuts or reductions in benefits,'' Harris said.

Continental has 37,000 employees.

''For our customers, it will be a regular business day for them,'' Walker said. ''They'll go out to the airport and it will be a full- service operation.''

Continental's agreement to sell the Seattle-Tacoma to Tokyo to American must be approved by the Transportation Department and the bankruptcy court. Continental called the pending sale a ''significant step'' in its restructuring plans.

Under the agreement, Continental would continue to operate daily service on the route until American assumes ownership, which should occur on or before Dec. 31, 1991.

Continental said it will continue serving Tokyo and five other Japanese cities through Honolulu and Guam. The airline said it is no longer trying to sell its other Pacific operations.

''The long-term viability of our airline requires that we maintain our status as a global carrier, and we currently have no plans to sell other international routes,'' Harris said.

Continental filed for Chapter 11 in September 1983, after losing more than $218 million in that year alone. Almost two years later, Continental adopted a

reorganization plan to fully repay more than $900 million in debt over 10 years.

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PONTIAC, MI (DEC. 3) UPI - Dr. Jack Kevorkian has been charged with first-degree murder for helping a woman with Alzheimer's disease commit suicide with his ''suicide machine,'' a prosecutor announced Monday.

Janet Adkins, 54, of Portland, Ore., died in Kevorkian's van in a rural Oakland County park on June 4 after pressing a button on his device that released a lethal drug into her system.

''Dr. Kevorkian was the primary and legal cause of Janet Adkins' death. He cannot avoid his criminal culpability by the clever use of a switch,'' Oakland County Prosecutor Richard Thompson said at a news conference.

Kevorkian, anticipating Monday's announcement, said late last week he does not fear criminal prosecution.

''Send me to jail,'' he said. ''Put me in solitary if you want. At least I'll be with honest people when I'm by myself.''

Thompson said he would base his case against Kevorkian on a 1920 Michigan Supreme Court opinion that held that a husband who mixed and placed poison near his wife at her request so that she could drink it was guilty of first-degree murder when she died as a result of drinking the poison.

To date, the case has not been reversed by the Michigan Supreme Court, nor has it been revised by the Michigan Legislature, Thompson said.

''I have a constitutional duty to faithfully enforce the laws of this state as enacted by the legislature and interpreted by the court, regardless of the tragic and emotional aspects of this case,'' he said. ''Under our constitution the legislature is empowered to declare what is a crime. And as a prosecutor, I have no legitimate authority to ignore or stipulate away duly enacted laws.''

Thompson said his investigation into the Adkins case led him to conclude that there was no reason for her to take her own life and no reason for Kevorkian to assist with the device he invented.

''Janet Adkins was not terminally ill or suffering pain,'' he said. ''For me not to charge Dr. Kevorkian under these circumstances would be a courruption of the law and turn Oakland County into the suicide mecca of our nation.

''Dr. Jack Kevorkian is not above the law and if he wants to change the law, he should address the legislative branch of government. If physicians are to

have a license to kill in addition to their license to heal, that license must come from the legislature, not the prosecutor.''

Thompson's announcement came one day before trial was to begin in a civil case brought by his office in response to Adkins's death nearly six months earlier.

Oakland County Circuit Judge Alice Gilbert is deciding whether to make permanent her temporary order barring Kevorkian from using the his so-called suicide machine.

Kevorkian has insisted he has broken no laws and is convinced authorities are acting imporoperly in proceeding against him.

''They're making up their own laws as the court goes on,'' he said last week. ''Even the Nazis went through the motions of legislating officially through a duly constitued government before they took court action. We're not even up to the Nazis' standards. How do you like those apples?''

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MOSCOW (DEC. 3) UPI - The international relief effort to feed the Soviet Union this winter comes in a year when the country should be able to feed itself.

But much of this fall's record Soviet harvest has been wasted or spoiled. Distribution failures, bureaucracy and political tugs-of-war have led to economic chaos.

Diplomats in Moscow and officials from the countries involved in the relief effort are unanimous in their concern that emergency aid not get bogged down in the problematic Soviet system that led to the problem in the first place.

And even as the relief effort moves forward, many Soviet and Western observers argue that pictures of bare store shelves and television reports showing long lines for food give donors a false picture of the situation in the country.

Hoarding has always been common among Soviets fearful of the future. Much food is distributed at workplaces and schools or sold at higher market prices outside the official state stores, and few people seem to be starving.

Still, the international aid is welcomed and it will be particularly helpful for the young, the old and others least able to fend for themselves in the chaotic system by which food gets from farms to Soviet tables.

''In general terms it seems there is enough food in the country for it to feed itself,'' said a diplomat from a country considering sending aid. ''The problem is the normal channels are not working.

''When we send help we have to consider very carefully how to assure it will get to those who need it. There will need to be some very concrete measures to ensure distribution.''

While the European Community and many countries are not expected to complete their aid programs until mid-December, the relief effort will likely involve hundreds of millions in direct aid and billions more in credits to help Moscow buy needed goods.

Many of the donor countires will try to bypass Soviet distribution systems by delivering food directly with trucks from outside the country, and all will have their own people monitor the process. President Mikhail Gorbachev has ordered the KGB to help guard shipments.

''It's evident they have a problem with distribution; that is why they lost 25 percent of their harvest,'' another West European diplomat in Moscow said. ''If we give aid we have to make sure it gets there.''

Germany, which has been leading the effort with plans for public and private aid, got a cool reception in Moscow to its offer to have German troops help ship and distribute food in the Soviet Union.

Horst Teltschik, a senior aide to Chancellor Helmut Kohl sent to Moscow to plan logistics for the relief effort, said Soviet-German coordination groups would do everything they can to make sure supplies get to those who need them, but he said it is impossible to guarantee that none of the material ends up on the black market.

Teltschik announced after the trip that the first direct German government aid - the $338 million worth of food reserves that before German unification was stored in West Berlin in case of a repeat of a Soviet blockade - would probably be shipped the first week of December.

The stockpile is reportedly enough to feed 10 million people for a month. Additional aid plans were being drawn in Bonn.

Private relief efforts from Germany began with a shipment of food from Hamburg to Leningrad in mid-November. A Nov. 28 telethon featuring pleas from Gorbachev and Kohl raised $4.25 million to buy food.

A spokesman for the relief group Care-Germany said the money will allow the organization to send Soviet families 80,000 food parcels of canned meat and sausages, margarine, powdered milk, chocolate and flour.

Small and medium-scale private efforts were under way in many other Western countries and an informal survey of embassies by United press International in Moscow found at least 12 countries considering some form of assistance.

The European Community is expected to approve about $20 billion in aid at the group's Dec. 13 summit in Rome. Many of the individual Western countries appear to be watching the Rome summit for cues before completing their own programs.

Much of the assistance from the West will be in trade credits allowing the Soviets favorable terms to buy specific products. Soviet officials estimate they will have about $20 billion in new credits available by January.

But using credits to ride out the crisis could lead to even more trouble because the Soviet Union already has a heavy foreign debt of $50-billion to $60 billion.

In 1989 the Soviet Union spent 7 percent of its hard currency just to service its debt and the weekly business newspaper Commersant estimated the figure could rise to 14 percent for this year. Even more ominous was the probability that a significant amount of new aid would be used to service old debts.

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DUBLIN, IRELAND (DEC. 3) UPI - Church bells and a 21-gun salute marked the inauguration Monday of Ireland's first woman president, Mary Robinson, who promised to represent ''an open Ireland.''

A Socialist-backed attorney was sworn in in Irish as the seventh president in the history of the republic in a largely military ceremony.

''The Ireland I shall be serving will be an open Ireland - open, tolerant and inclusive,'' Robinson said in a brief address in both English and in Irish.

She replaced Patrick Hillery, who has served for the past 17 years uncontested.

Robinson, 46, is Ireland's first president who did not come out of the conservative Fianna Fail party machinery. She served 20 years as a senator, formerly for the Labor Party, which she left in 1985 when it was part of a coalition government. She lost two elections for the lower house of the Irish Parliament.

Drawing on Celtic mythology, Robinson spoke at her inauguration of a spiritual fifth province that she hoped would be symbolic of her presidency. Old Ireland is divided into four political provinces, including Ulster, now part of the United Kingdom.

She promised to represent Irish emigrants abroad and suggested that the presidential home be the site of an annual ''get together'' for the 70 million people worldwide who claim Irish ancestry.

Robinson also said her tenure would be marked by ''local community empowerment. It is time for the small to start believing again that it is beautiful.''

Ireland has an important role to play in setting an international human-rights agenda, she said. ''One of our greatest resources is our ability to serve as a moral and political conscience in world affairs.''

The new president also pledged to forge new relations with the divided sectarian communities in Northern Ireland.

As a senator and attorney, Robinson had responsibility for changes in civil rights legislation, allowing women to sit on juries, guaranteeing equal social welfare rights and opening free legal assistance to low- income earners. Fianna Fail attacked her as pro-abortion but she said she is only in favor of liberalizing access to abortion information.

The president's role is largely ceremonial and Robinson will need the support of the incumbent Fianna Fail government if she is to follow through on campaign promises to broaden the president's responsibilities.

Her victory over the Fianna Fail and opposition Fine Gael candidates shook both parties.

Fine Gael leader Alan Dukes was ousted and replaced by his deputy, and the party has made a decided shift to the left.

There have been several calls for the removal of Prime Minister Charles Haughey by influential Fianna Fail members.

Additionally, the Labor Party leadership has been realigned and announced a move to the center of the Irish political mainstream.

Both Fianna Fail and Fine Gael are discussing the introduction of a referendum to lift the constitutional ban on divorce. A referendum that had Robinson's support failed by a 2-to-1 margin when the Fine Gael- Labor coalition controlled the government.

Robinson is married and a mother of three.

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DETROIT (DEC. 3) UPI - Deeper production cuts, high marketing costs and a shift toward less profitable vehicles may cause the nation's Big Three automakers to post a combined $1 billion loss during the 1990 fourth quarter, analysts said Monday.

That compares with a meager $350 million in combined profits earned by General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. during the final three months of 1989 - and a hefty $3 billion in collective profits earned during the fourth quarter of 1988.

Industry leader GM prepared Wall Street late last week by saying its fourth quarter earnings would ''decline significantly'' from the scant $109 million earned during the previous period, mostly because of further fourth quarter production cuts due to low consumer confidence and the lingering Persian Gulf crisis.

GM said it would pare fourth quarter production by another 111,000 units, putting output below levels for both the previous and year-ago quarter. On Monday, it began implementing those cuts by extending the usual holiday closings at 18 of its U.S. plants and idling nearly 60,000 workers for up to three weeks.

GM also said it will reduce production at several U.S. light truck plants this month.

Analysts polled now expect GM to lose between 75 cents and 95 cents a share during the fourth quarter, or between $350 million and $570 million in net income. GM earned $700 million, or $1.01 a share of its $1-2/3 par value common stock in the year-ago quarter.

Industry observers said even deeper production cuts planned by Ford could cause the No. 2 automaker to report its first quarterly loss in eight years, when it posted $236 million worth of red ink during the final quarter of 1982.

Several analysts who had been predicting a break-even or marginally profitable quarter for Ford have now lowered their estimates, with the consensus now ranging between a loss of 50 cents to 70 cents a share, or between $225 million and $330 million in net income.

That compares with a profit of $314 million, or 68 cents a share, earned by Ford in the year-ago fourth quarter.

Ford's fourth quarter U.S. production levels are now expected to be about 15 percent lower than what was anticipated just one month ago, with most of the reductions to come from its U.S. plants through widespread idlings and holiday extensions into January.

''I think they are reacting to lower dealer orders than dealer inventories, which are not out of hand now,'' said David Healy, of Barclays Bank BZW in New York.

Third-ranked Chrysler Corp. is expected to post a fourth quarter loss of about

25 cents a share, or about $55 million, as it too pares fourth quarter production through selective plant idlings.

Each carmaker is scaling back production to avoid what happened one year ago, when bloated inventories forced heavy advertising, costly customer rebates and massive plant closings and layoffs during January.

So far ''transplant'' carmakers, or the North American plants fully or jointly operated by Asian carmakers, have no plans to trim production further this month beyond the usual one-week holiday closings.

But analysts said several of those firms can scale back on their imports if necessary.

''I'm sure they would rather be producing here because their plants are newer and it's more politically correct,'' said Jay Leopold, of Legg Mason Wood Walker Inc. in Baltimore.

Analysts are also bearish about U.S. car and truck sales during the first quarter of 1991.

''I don't think sales are going to go into oblivion, but it is not a pretty sight,'' said Leopold. ''A lot is tied to consumer confidence and whether we might avert disaster in the Mideast.''

Healy said he expects U.S. car sales to pick up slightly to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 6.5 million units, from about 6.25 million during the fourth quarter of 1989.

''There will be a recovery coinciding with the ending of the recession that we are just now entering,'' Healy said. ''But that may not be until late 1991 or early 1992.''

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 3) UPI - Defense Minister Moshe Arens hinted Monday that Israel may close the occupied territories for the second time in less than two months but acknowledged the measure is not ''a magical recipe'' for stability in the area.

On Sunday, three Palestinian teenagers from the Israeli-occupied West Bank attacked Israeli bus passengers traveling to the coastal town of Tel Aviv, killing one and wounding three.

Police killed one assailant, arrested the other two and by Monday had sealed the houses of all three Palestinians.

In late October, after a spate of stabbings by Arabs of Israelis, the military closed the West Bank and Gaza Strip for four days, forbidding Palestinians from entering Israel and placing the territories off limits to journalists.

Throughout the nearly 3-year-old Palestinian uprising, the military has periodically closed the territories after intercommunal violence or during anniversaries related to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

''The closure that we imposed a few weeks ago, maybe under certain circumstances we will impose it again,'' Arens said after meeting with the Israeli Parliament's Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee.

''One should not see this closure as a magical recipe and we are aware of the fact that there is an Arab population in Judea, Samaria (the West Bank) and the Gaza Strip, that a large part of it earns its living in the Israeli economy, and we need to take care of their livelihood as well,'' Arens said. ''But, of course, in parallel (we must take care of) our security as well.''

More than 100,000 Palestinians from the occupied territories work inside Israel.

Also Monday, 12 guerrillas who tried to infiltrate Israel by sea in May were sentenced to 30 years in prison each. Army Radio reported the prosecution sought life sentences but the judge decided on the lighter punishments because the guerrillas had surrendered.

Military sources said Monday that security forces recently uncovered a cell in the West Bank's Ramallah district belonging to the outlawed Islamic Resistance Movement, known by its Arabic acronym Hamas.

The organization is suspected of a large number of attacks, including planting an explosive charge on a Tel Aviv beach in July that killed a Canadian tourist and wounded 14 other people.

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(DEC. 3) UPI - ''The Day of the Big One'' arrived Monday with some residents along the New Madrid Fault fearfully awaiting a major tremor in a seven-state Midwest area, but skeptics made light of the predicted catastrophe and whooped it up at earthquake parties.

Schools were closed in some areas and many people had scrambled to lay in emergency supplies just in case a climatologist was correct in forecasting Monday as the optimum day for the quake.

''In this part of the country, we have to live with this fear the rest of our lives," said Virginia Fulton of Jackson, Mo. "The fault is not going to go

away.''

Seven first aid stations were staffed by volunteers in New Madrid, Mo., near the predicted epicenter of the quake, and the fire department's two old pumpers were parked in a reinforced building near the Mississippi River levee. The town's schools were closed.

Regular patrons of Hap's Bar in New Madrid held an ''earthquake watch'' party beginning at dawn.

''This is the most famous little bar in the nation right now,'' said tavern owner Jack Hailey.

Many of the skeptical partied to music like ''Shake, Rattle and Roll'' over the weekend and ordered Jello for dessert so they could watch it ''wiggle,'' but on the serious side, people bought millions of dollars worth of earthquake insurance.

Shelters were set up and emergency supplies stocked at the New Madrid County's civil defense unit.

New Mexican climatologist Iben Browning had predicted a 50 percent chance of a quake on the New Madrid Fault, which stretches from Illinois to Mississippi, including portions of Tennessee, Arkansas, Kentucky, Indiana and Missouri. His projection said the quake was most likely Monday but was possible anytime within 48 hours of the day.

''There was nothing unusual at all (on the seismograph) over the weekend, just the usual stuff,'' said Laurie Hausmann, a spokeswoman for the Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences at St. Louis University. ''There was nothing that would have been unusual or different at all, nothing that would have been felt, nothing exciting.''

Top earthquake experts insist there is no scientific basis to Browning's projection, which was based on lunar and tidal forces. However, residents of the area have been reminded of the nation's worst earthquakes - tremors that hit the area in 1811 and 1812, with a force so strong it changed the course of Mississippi River. Prominent seismologists also have predicted a good chance of another quake in the area in the next 10 years.

Even though the only noticeable force of Mother Nature in some areas of the Midwest was cold weather, rain and snow, residents talked about the prediction of ''the Big One'' and some went uneasily through the day.

Earthquake watchers - especially television reporters - were focused Monday on New Madrid, a southeastern Missouri town of 3,300. Vendors there hawked homemade T-shirts with the words: ''It's my fault: New Madrid 1990.''

Radio and television trucks from cities as far away as Fort Worth, Texas, Kansas City and Louisville, Ky., filled the parking lot across from the New Madrid Chamber of Commerce.

''It's a madhouse,'' said Barbara Tanner, a checker at the IGA Foodliner. ''You can't get down the street because there's so many media, tourists and the public out just watching, waiting for it to happen.''

Police said the biggest problem was finding enough parking for the roughly 100 electronic trucks and other vehicles from news media outlets.

Dozens of school districts in Southern Illinois closed down, many because of pressure from parents who wanted to be with their children - just in case.

''I'm not sure the majority believe it but the remote possibility led to the closings. The national press made it worse,'' said John Wilson, regional school superintendent of a four-county area of Illinois near the Indiana border.

Sentiments were much the same in Cape Girardeau, Mo.

''We didn't just cancel them because we thought there would be a quake but because of the anxiety and apprehension that a lot of folks were feeling, and that was a genuine feeling,'' said Arthur Turner, superintendent of public schools in Cape Girardeau.

''We think we'll probably have a few people taking the whole week off but most people will be back in school Wednesday.''

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 3) UPI - Rival black factions armed with guns, axes and other homemade weapons clashed in the black township of Thokoza east of Johannesburg, leaving 52 dead and prompting authorities to impose emergency regulations, police said Monday.

Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok implemented a 9 p.m.-to-4 a.m. curfew on Thokoza and three other townships Monday in an effort to quell one of the worst outbreaks of violence this year, which exploded late Sunday afternoon and raged through the night.

The discovery of 52 bodies, hacked, stabbed or shot to death raised to 83 the number of people killed in politically inspired violence since Friday. Among the dead was one white victim, an employee of the Springbok Patrols private security guard who was shot and killed in the nearby township of Kathelong, then set on fire.

The fighting prompted black leader Nelson Mandela and Vlok to rush to the township late Sunday night as hundreds of residents were reported fleeing. On Sunday, Mandela had reiterated his charge of security force involvement in stirring the conflict.

The South African Broadcasting Corp. described Thokoza late in the afternoon as ''quiet but tense, and the police are patrolling the area. Earlier, it said police arrested six people and seized four AK-47 rifles and two pistols in the township.

The fighting marked a dramatic escalation of the faction clashes between supporters of the African National Congress and the rival Zulu movement Inkatha that engulfed townships surrounding Johannesburg in August and left 800 dead in six weeks.

The overnight death toll rivaled any night of bloodshed in August and September - the worst urban fighting in the country's history.

Invoking the Public Security Act, Vlok declared the townships of Thokoza, Kathlehong and Vosloorus and Bekkersdal - all in a cluster east of Johannesburg - as ''unrest areas,'' enabling him to place them under a curfew.

Emergency regulations had been imposed in September on these and other townships to quell the violence but they were subsequently lifted when relative calm was restored.

Residents of Thokoza told reporters Zulus in the adjacent squatter park of Phola Park launched raids into Thokoza, prompting retaliatory attacks and igniting the fighting Sunday. Gunfire was heard throughout the night.

In the nearby township of Kathlehong, state-run radio reported four deaths, including the 24-year-old white man. At least eight bodies were recovered over the weekend in Bekkersdal, which has been hit by faction fighting for a week.

The violence prompted the South African Communist Party Monday to call for the resignation of Vlok and Defense Minister Magnus Malan and accused them of failing to crack down on warlords and death squad violence.

In a statement, the SACP urged township residents to form self- defense units to protect themselves.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 3) UPI - An argument between off-duty soldiers and civilian youths on a bus in the central Asian republic of Uzbekistan escalated into a major clash that left five soldiers and three civilians dead, reports said Monday.

The incident began with a quarrel between six Interior Ministry soldiers and some local youths Sunday night on a bus in the Uzbek city of Namangan, and before the fighting ended more than 3,000 civilians and over 700 police and soldiers were reportedly involved.

The independent Interfax news agency said Monday a crowd gathered as the fight spilled off the bus, and the violence escalated when police reinforcements and more soldiers arrived and were pelted with rocks and other objects.

But the official Soviet news agency Tass gave a different account, saying after the argument on the bus escalated into a fistfight the driver drove the vehicle up to a crowd of people and they surrounded the bus and began to beat the soldiers, killing four of them.

Tass said the commander of the six soldiers went to the site with unarmed troops when he heard of the fight and the reinforcements were also attacked by the crowd, which numbered about 3,000.

At that point in the battle the bus and a police car had been set ablaze and armed soldiers and about 700 policemen were sent to the area, Tass said.

''To put an end to the disorder, law enforcement bodies had to use weapons,'' Tass said. ''The disorder lasted several hours and abated only by midnight.''

Tass said a total of five military men and three civilians were killed, with 29 soldiers and 22 policemen injured.

No reason was given for the clash, but tension between local residents and soldiers often runs high in Soviet republics because of a policy that bases only troops from other ethnic groups in most areas like Uzbekistan. The names of the dead soldiers indicated they were Russians and Ukrainians.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - Most Americans believe they eat a healthful mixture of foods and see no reason to change, although the facts suggest they can not all be right, two nutritionists said.

''Our preliminary data suggest that perceptions and reality do not always match,'' government nutritionists Linda Cleveland and Katherine Tippet reported, based on preliminary results from the government's Diet and Health Knowledge Survey.

The survey is one of the first aimed at determining how attitudes and knowledge about healthy diets influence a person's decisions on which foods to eat. In a report presented at an Agriculture Department conference last week,

Cleveland said the survey's link with another food survey would allow the Human Nutrition Information Service to compare a respondent's diet with how that person rated it.

''For example, more than 40 percent said their diets were 'about right' in fat '' Cleveland said, although a 1985 survey showed only 12 percent of women from ages 19-50 limited fat to supplying 30 percent or less of their calories.

The government's newly updated Dietary Guidelines recommend fat should provide no more than 30 percent of the calories in a person's diet and saturated fat should provide less than 10 percent.

A number of studies have agreed most Americans' diets are 37 percent fat.

In their report, Cleveland and Tippet said almost two-thirds of the people taking part in the health knowledge survey agreed with the statement, ''The things I eat and drink now are healthy so there is no reason for me to make changes.''

Although studies suggest Americans eat too much fat, responses in the health knowledge survey showed many were aware of the need to cut back on fat and cholesterol. Two-thirds of the respondents said it was important to avoid too much fat and only one-sixth thought cholesterol consumption did not matter.

The survey also showed respondents agreed it was important to eat a variety of foods. However, few attached importance to eating the amount of fruits, vegetables and grains, scuh as bread or rice, recommended by the government.

''People appear motivated to 'eat a variety of foods' but they may need more information about what that means,'' Cleveland said.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 3) UPI - BellSouth Mobility said Monday it has teamed up with American Airlines, ITT Sheraton and the Hertz Corp. to offer customers a frequent caller program that awards prizes based on the number of points accumulated.

Odie Donald, BellSouth Mobility's vice president for marketing and administration, said the program is intended to reward loyal customers.

''After extensive research and focus group sessions, we found our customers want travel and cellular awards from a frequent caller program,'' said Donald.

BellSouth will begin the program in the middle of next year in Athens and Atlanta, Ga.; Baton Rouge and New Orleans, La.; Louisville, Ky., and South Florida.

Customers will receive a point for every minute of local use of their cellular phones. The points may be redeemed for prizes ranging from airline gift certificates to free hotel accommodations and car rentals.

BellSouth said the average customer can expect to reach the minimum award of 5,000 points in about 18 months.

For 5,000 points, customers can earn 120 minutes of BellSouth Mobility cellular service, a $50 American Airlines gift certificate, a $35 Hertz ''Award Check'' or a year's free emergency road service.

Accumulating 40,000 points, which a high airtime user can reach in about two years, can earn a customer a free installed cellular mobile phone, a round-trip American Airlines ticket, a four-night stay at an ITT Sheraton Hotel or a week's rental of a Hertz luxury car.

BellSouth Mobility serves more than 300,000 customers in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, South Carolina and Tennessee.

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SOFIA, BULGARIA (DEC. 3) UPI - Petar Beron, the leader of the Union of Democratic Forces, Bulgaria's opposition coalition that brought about the fall of the socialist government last week, has resigned his post, UDF officials announced Monday.

They said Beron left to devote more time to his career as an entymologist but will keep his seat as a UDF member of Parliament.

Beron's resignation came as the UDF is locked in negotiations with the nation's other leading political groups to name a new government to replace Prime Minister Andrei Lukanov and his government of former communists, who resigned last Friday.

The socialists, as the communists now call themsleves, won a 52 percent majority in last June's free parliamentary elections, but they were brought down last Thursday by a nationwide general strike led by the UDF-allied independent union Podkrepa.

With the socialists unable to gather popular support and the UDF without a parliamentary majority, it appears the new government will be composed of technocrats who will have to implement long-ngelected economic reforms and will probably bring the country to new legislative elections in the spring.

President Zhelyu Zhelev, a former UDF chairman, has been suggesting that new elections for local government be held in March and legislative elections

could be paired with them. Another possible date for elections is May.

UDF leaders and political commentators said Beron's resignation is unlikely to harm the organization.

''I don't think the replacement of any one person can be a serious blow to the UDF,'' said Gercho Gerchev, a commentator for Demokratsiye, the UDF newspaper. ''Zhelev resigned (the UDF leadership) three months ago (to become state president) and the UDF did not fall apart.''

The government fell following four days of nationwide strikes to protest growing lines and rationing for basic necessities such as cooking oil and meat as well as energy. Car owners are waiting up to three days in line for their montly 9 gallon ration of gasoline.

''Beron said several weeks ago he would remain leader if we needed him to be the next UDF prime minister,'' said a senior UDF official. ''But now it looks like we won't form the government, so that may have contributed to his decision to leave politics.''

UDF is a coalition of 16 political parties and leaders were not certain they could find a single candidate agreeable to all factions.

''It's no problem to find a new leader by Thursday or Friday but if we are unable to find a good replacement, we could go for a triumvirate, '' said Lubomir Pavlov, a top official of the Democratic Center, a UDF component.

''The opposition doesnt need a symbolic leader because the opposition itself is a symbol of democracy, freedom and jsutice.''

Beron announced his resignation in a speech Sunday on the state of Bulgaria to a meeting of UDF parliamentarians and regional officials. He was unavailable for comment Monday as he was in Italy attending a scientific conference.

UDF leaders will meet Thursday with Beron to consider whether to accept his resignation. A new leader is expected to emerge either after the meeting or after a hastily convened UDF congress to be held Dec. 8-9 in Plovdiv.

Konstantin Trenchev, president of Podkrepa, warned that unless UDF and the new government attack the country's grave economic problems in earnest, there could be further social unrest.

''People will take to the streets,'' he said. ''The people are the highest legislative body in the country.''

Trenchev also announced that beginning Tuesday, the union would give away free fish in front of the St. Nedelja Church in the center of Sofia.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The United States and Iraq have agreed that their face-to-face talks, if they do take place, will involve only the two countries the State Department said Monday.

Spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said the ranking U.S. envoy in Baghdad, Joseph Wilson, met on Saturday and again on Sunday with Nizar Hamdoun, the Iraqi undersecretary in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The main topic was establishing the ground rules and timing for the talks proposed by President Bush on Friday, who suggested that Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz come to Washington and, following that, Secretary of State James Baker would be sent to Baghdad for talks with President Saddam Hussein before Jan. 15.

The Iraqis accepted the idea in principle but insisted that such discussions also include the matter of the Israeli rule over Palestinian Arabs in the West Bank and Gaza.

The United States has insisted the talks should only involve the acceptance by Iraq of the U.N. call for a total withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

Tutwiler said that Wilson and Hamdoun agreed that any talks should include only representatives of the two countries. Under that rule, no other parties - including Kuwait or Saudi Arabia or any of the 27 other countries contributing forces to Operation Desert Shield - would be allowed to sit in on the meetings.

Tutwiler emphasized that there has been no agreement yet that the talks will take place and, if they do, what the dates would be. ''The ball's in their court,'' she said.

Apparently as a gesture of good will, the Iraqis showed up at the U. S. Embassy in Kuwait Saturday with 10 cases of soft drinks. Last week, Iraqi soldiers delivered some fruit and other food to the embassy, which has been under siege since mid-August, existing on a diet of rice and canned tuna.

In another apparent gesture, Saddam authorized the release of 15 Americans, 10 of whom had been held as human shields at strategic installations. They flew to Amman, Jordan, in the company of former boxing champion Muhammad Ali, who had interceded with Saddam.

The release means that about 88 Americans are detained as prisoners around strategic installations.

An estimated 900 others remain in Iraq and Kuwait, unable to leave. Many of them are still in hiding from Iraqi forces.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 3) UPI - Hard-liners in the Soviet Parliament welcomed Monday the replacement of moderate Interior Minister Vadim Bakatin with a more conservative official as a sign the government is going to get tough and reassert central control.

Liberals agreed the appointment of former Latvian KGB chief Boris Pugo to head the ministry responsible for domestic security was a move toward a more hard-line stance and they vowed to fight the appointment as dangerous for the country.

Mikhail Gorbachev fired Bakatin on Sunday, apparently as part of the Soviet president's plan to deal with the country's myriad crisises by asserting stronger control under his leadership.

''The crime situation in the country is steadily deteriorating and this calls for strengthening the (Interior) Ministry and appointing new people,'' Marshal Sergei Akhromeyev, Gorbachev's top military adviser, told the official Tass news agency.

Members of the ultra-conservative Soyuz parliamentary bloc, which maintains that perestroika is threatening to break up the Soviet Union and favors a return to strong central control, were blunter in their criticism of Bakatin and almost gleeful at what they saw as the beginning of a ''strong hand'' policy.

Army Col. Viktor Alksnis, one of the leaders of the group that claims to represent about a quarter of the Soviet legislature, said the change at the top of the Interior Ministry meant ''steps are being taken to carry out Gorbachev's program for stabilizing the situation in the country.''

''Bakatin was not only passive, but he rendered concrete support to separatists in the republics,'' Alksnis said.

Bakatin, a former Communist Party official in Siberia, was well liked by moderates and liberals because of his apparent reluctance to use troops to resolve nationalist problems.

The interior minister made a surprisingly strong showing in March when he was nominated as token opposition to Gorbachev in a parliamentary election to the new post of Soviet president.

Galina Starovoitova, a Parliament deputy from the radical inter- regional bloc said moderates in the legislature are frightened by Pugo's appointment to replace Bakatin.

''The minister (Bakatin) had fully coped with his difficult duties and had reached understanding,'' Starovoitova said. ''The appointment of Boris Pugo, a professional (Communist) party functionary, is a classical example of a nomenclature reshuffle that may not receive Parliament's approval.''

She said the appointment was likely to receive an ''extremely negative'' reaction in the Soviet republics, which have nearly all declared sovereignty since the beginning of the year.

The appointment of Pugo, a Latvian who formerly headed the KGB in Riga, was seen as having special significance at a time when Gorbachev is taking a harder line against independence for the three Baltic republics.

Gorbachev replaced Bakatin two weeks after he announced a major reorganization of the government that would put all Soviet ministries under his direct control and create a ''national security council'' in his office to include the KGB and the Interior Ministry.

The Interior Ministry is responsible for all local police forces and also controls special troops used in the past to put down ethnic unrest and other disturbances.

Gorbachev, blaming a breakdown of law and order and a lack of ''discipline'' for food shortages and ethnic unrest, has made several moves in recent weeks to consolidate power and use a stronger hand in governing the country.

On Friday Gorbachev ordered the formation of ''workers' committees'' with authority to monitor the food industry and ensure that producers, transportation workers and local authorities fill state orders.

Failure to fulfill state plans and a breakdown in the Soviet distribution system have led to food shortages in some areas that prompted an international relief effort to feed the country despite a record Soviet harvest.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - Yields rose on 13-week and were unchanged on 26-week T-bills Monday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $10.04 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 7.06 percent, up from 7.02 percent last week and the highest since November 19, when the auction yielded 7.08 percent.

The Treasury also sold $10 billion of 26-week bills at an average of 6.96 percent, unchanged from 6.96 percent last week.

The investment rate was 7.29 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,821.50 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26- week bill was 7.31 percent at $9,648.10.

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(DEC. 3) UPI - A squadron of radar-evading FA ''stealth'' fighters is leaving Langley Air Force Base today for the Middle East. The squadron becomes the second to be deployed since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2nd. 22 of the bat-winged fighters swooped down to the airbase yesterday for final inspections before leaving for Operation Desert Shield.

Defense Secretary Cheney warned congressional critics of U-S policy in the Persian Gulf that there is NO guarantee that economic sanctions will help drive Iraq out of Kuwait. Cheney testified today at the Senate Armed Services Committee hearings on Gulf policy. He says it may be better to move against Iraq now... with the world united against the Kuwaiti occupation... than to wait a long time, during which Iraq could tighten its grip on a substantial part of the world's oil supply.

Issues of free enterprise and free trade were brought up by President Bush today in an address to Brazil's Congress. The speech is said to be the most important that Bush will deliver as part of a five-nation swing through South America. Argentina is on the schedule in two days, and administration officials say they are still going, despite fighting that broke out today between rival army factions in Argentina.

Rebellious troops in Argentina today seized the headquarters of the army chief of staff and a regimental barracks in Buenos Aires. They also exchanged gunfire with loyalist forces in downtown Buenos Aires, and President Carlos Menem declared a state of siege from his command post at the government palace which also was hit with gunfire today.

The uprising is the fourth since Argentina returned to democracy in 1983. The army chief of staff went on Argentine television in the early afternoon to say that the vast majority of the armed forces remained loyal to the constitution. He demanded that the rebels surrended without conditions.

The shuttle Columbia astronauts and NASA ground controllers are struggling with a problem with a balky telescope aiming system, though spokesmen say they expect to have the glitch solved later today. But the problems with the aiming system has pushed work about 12 hours behind schedule aboard the spacecraft, which is on a 10-day astronomy mission. The aiming system is needed to align three of the four telescopes being used on the mission.

The U-S Supreme Court will take up the question of whether police have the same powers of search when they have full permission from a suspect as they

have with a search warrant. A Florida court ruled that approval to search a car did NOT extend to searching a paper bag loaded with cocaine.

The nation's highest court decided NOT to get involved in deciding if police officers have fewer rights that ordinary civilians to be warned about self incrimination. The case involves a sheriff's deputy in Colorado who made statements to other officers about a shooting in which he was later charged.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday bolstered the protection of criminal suspects against self-incrimination, ruling that once an accused asks to have a lawyer present during questioning that right remains in effect indefinitely.

The court ruled that if a suspect invokes his so-called Miranda rights once, police and prosecutors cannot later come to the suspect and try to get him to confess without a lawyer present.

The court, by a 6-2 vote, extended the boundaries of the 1966 Miranda decision that entitles a criminal suspect to the right to remain silent and have an attorney present during questioning.

''We decline to remove protection from police-initiated questioning based on isolated consultations with counsel who is absent when the interrogation resumes,'' Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote for the majority.

Chief Justice William Rehnquist and Justice Antonin Scalia dissented, claiming the court's decision ''constricts law enforcement.''

The court overturned the double-murder conviction of Mississippi death-row prisoner Robert Minnick. If he is tried again for the 1986 killings, his jailhouse confession cannot be admitted as evidence.

''Today's ruling ... makes it largely impossible for the police to urge a prisoner who has initially declined to confess to change his mind - or indeed, even to ask whether he has changed his mind,'' wrote Scalia.

Justice David Souter was not yet a member of the court when the case was argued Oct. 3, and took no part in the decision.

Ironically, in another case Monday the court let stand a decision that law enforcement officers - in certain situations - have fewer rights to be issued Miranda warnings than do civilians.

The court refused to consider an appeal from Morgan County, Colo., Sheriff's Deputy Daniel Probasco, charged with criminally negligent homicide.

Probasco was on duty on July 15, 1989, when he killed a man, and moments later discussed the circumstances of the shooting with colleagues on the scene.

Probasco claimed he should have been told of his legal right to remain silent before being asked to explain the situation, but Colorado courts held that Probasco was not suspected of wrongdoing or legally in custody when he began talking.

Police would have been required to issue the Miranda warning to a civilian suspect in a similar incident before questioning.

In another significant case, the court agreed to decide if a police search at the consent of a suspect can be as extensive as a search backed up by a court-issued warrant.

The court agreed to review a ruling by the Florida courts that a consensual search of a car for drugs did not allow police to open a paper bag on the floor of the car, even though a warrant-based search would have permitted it.

Police found cocaine in the bag, but a trial court and the Florida Supreme Court threw out the evidence on the grounds that police had not received permission to extend the search from the car itself to the paper bag.

The Florida courts held that a consensual search is not legally considered to be based on probable cause - the key component in obtaining a warrant - and thus police do not have permission to conduct as extensive a search as would be allowed by a warrant.

In other action Monday, the court:

-Let stand a decision that automobile dealers in one state can be sued by a neighboring state for false and misleading advertising.

The court refused to consider an appeal by four Omaha, Neb., dealerships sued for false advertising in Iowa. The suit was based largely on advertisements placed in a Nebraska newspaper with limited circulation across the state border in Iowa.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - House Republicans, preparing for the next session of Congress, re-elected their leadership team Monday, including two who had to fight off determined efforts by challengers to oust them.

Rep. Guy Vander Jagt, R-Mich., was re-elected chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee in a 98-66 victory over Rep. Don Sundquist,

R-Tenn., and Rep. Jerry Lewis, R-Calif., turned back a challenge by Rep. Carl Pursell, R-Mich., 98-64, to retain his No. 3 leadership post of Republican Conference chairman.

Others, including House Republican leader Robert Michel, of Illinois, were re-elected without opposition.

Democrats met later in the day to also organize for the 102nd Congress, which convenes Jan. 3. There were no contests for the leadership posts, however, and Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Was., and all other incumbent leaders were retained by the Democrats.

As a result of the Nov. 6 election, the Democrats strengthened their hold on the House and will enjoy a 267-167 majority. One member, Rep. Bernard Sanders, of Vermont, was elected as an independent and was not expected to be a member of either party caucus.

The challenge to Lewis was seen as a fallout from the recent battle over the budget deficit, in which Lewis supported the package of tax increases and spending cuts urged by President Bush. Pursell opposed that plan and his bid for the conference chairmanship was backed by conservative Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., the assistant GOP leader who publicly split with Bush over the budget.

Lewis was clearly angered that Gingrich would work against another member of the GOP leadership. After the vote he said the election ''was somewhat of a disaster'' for Gingrich and his allies ''who have chosen from within the leadership to actively work against my candidacy.''

However, Lewis and Michel asserted the party had not been harmed by the election fights. ''Our conference is together and will continue to work together,'' Lewis said.

Sundquist's unsuccessful campaign against Vander Jagt focused new attention on the fund-raising and contracting practices of the GOP's Congressional Campaign Committee, which has been run by Vander Jagt for 15 years. Sundquist charged that too little money is provided to Republican House candidates, while committee staffers and contractors are generously paid.

Vander Jagt, in his bid for re-election, pledged a review of contracting and other procedures at the committee and said he would seriously consider the criticisms and suggestions raised by Sundquist and others.

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MIAMI (DEC. 3) UPI - A jury acquitted six Miami policemen Monday of charges they conspired to beat a drug dealer to death, but could not reach a decision on whether the officers actually assaulted the man.

The officers were found innocent on 17 of the 24 counts against them. No verdict was reached on the remaining seven charges, including the actual beating, and a mistrial was declared on those counts. None of the officers was convicted on any charge.

The officers hailed the verdict as a vindication.

''We said from the beginning that we were innocent and I guess we proved it,'' said Pablo Camacho, one of the six oficers.

''They decided we were correct in what happened out there. I'm very thankful they reached a fair verdict,'' said Andy Watson, another of the officers.

After 3 1/2 days of deliberations, the 10-man, two-woman jury sent U.S. District Judge Stanley Marcus a note Monday afternoon saying they had reached ''an insurmountable impasse'' on seven charges.

They had sent a similar note Friday and Marcus urged them to keep trying.

After consulting prosecutors and defense attorneys, Marcus accepted the partial verdict Monday.

The officers - Camacho, Watson, Tom Trujillo, Charlie Haynes, Ron Sinclair and Nathaniel Veal Jr. - are members of the Miami Police Department's undercover Street Narcotics Unit.

They were each charged with one count of conspiracy and three counts of civil rights violations, on Leonardo Mercado's death and one each for injuries suffered by Mercado's stepsons, Jose and Pedro Soto.

If convicted, the officers would have faced life in prison.

Mercado, 35, a small-time drug dealer with a lengthy criminal record, was beaten to death at his apartment in northwest Miami Dec. 16, 1988. The autopsy showed he had fractured ribs, internal bleeding, a quart of blood in his stomach and 44 areas of cuts and bruises.

Prosecutors contend the officers stopped by to see Mercado because they suspected he was reponsible for a death threat against Comacho. Assistant U.S. Attorney Dan Gelber said the officers confronted Mercado outside his apartment and ordered him inside, where he was ''beaten into soup.''

Defense lawyers said Mercado attacked Camacho in a frenzy and that the others came to Camacho's aid.

They said the officers did not intend to kill Mercado, and had not conspired against him but were making a legitimate drug arrest. They pointed out that

Sinclair had seized a bag of rock cocaine from Mercado.

''This is a war on drugs. If it weren't a war on drugs we wouldn't have been fighting Mercado,'' Trujillo said after the verdict.

Mercado's ex-wife, Maritza Soto, denounced the verdict saying the officers had gotten away with killing her ex-husband and beating her children.

''They treated him like an animal, they killed him worse than an animal,'' she said. ''The jury sold out. They didn't do no justice.''

She said she still would pursue the $10 million lawsuit she and the two stepsons filed against the city.

''They beat up my kids,'' she said.

The breakdown for the verdict was:

-Count 1, conspiracy - all six were acquitted.

-Count 2, violating Mercado's civil rights - no verdict was reached for any of the six.

-Count 3, violating Jose Soto's civil rights - no verdict was reached for Veal and the other five were acquitted.

-Count 4, violating Pedro Soto's civil rights - all six were acquitted.

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BEIRUT (DEC. 3) UPI - Thousands of Lebanese army troops deployed Monday in the war-torn capital in a move long awaited by beleaguered Lebanese who suffered through 15 years of civil war and lawlessness under militia reign.

More than 3,500 Lebanese soldiers took up positions in various parts of Beirut replacing thousands of Christian and Moslem militiamen who engaged in bloody battles for the control of the city since 1975.

A Defense Ministry statement said, ''Army troops began to deploy in Greater Beirut at 2 p.m. local time after militias completed the pullout of their troops and weapons.''

The Christian hardline Lebanese Forces militia said it withdrew its arms from strongholds in the neighborhoods of Ashrafiyeh, Dora and Sin El Fil in east Beirut.

Three hundred military vehicles including tanks and 2,000 gunmen, a number of

whom were hooded, left the seaside militia headquarters in Karantina in three convoys heading to the Christian heartland in Kesrouwan and Jbeil, north of Beirut.

The army command warned the residents of east Beirut to stay indoors so as not to hinder the army deployment in their areas.

Military sources said four army brigades started to expand control from their barracks around the city to fill the security vacuum left by the militiamen.

They said 2,000 regulars from the army's Sixth Brigade fanned on the streets of west Beirut while hundreds from the 11th took control of the southern suburbs, the traditional stronghold of the Moslem fundamentalists.

Law and order in the Christian neighborhoods was entrusted to the 5th and 2nd Brigades. A battalion of cadets deployed in the devastated downtown area of Beirut, which was for 15 years a front line separating Christian fighters from their Moslem foes.

Military sources warned that army troops will storm suspicious arms caches in greater Beirut and will be entitled to confiscate all illegal weapons since all militias were given enough time to retreat.

The army deployment came after the government of President Elias Hrawi resolved a last-minute dispute to establish a militia-free unified Beirut.

The Lebanese Forces militia had said it wanted to occupy a magazine office and a research center in east Beirut in exchange for its withdrawal from all other parts of the city, but political sources said officials persuaded the militia to pull out completely.

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(DEDC. 3) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Audio-Video Affiliates (3rd Q 10-31)	
$34,098,000	$29,602,000
$109,000 (.02)	d-$997,000
d-Deficit.	
Bayou Steel Corp (Year 9-30)	
$183,563,000	$208,962,000
a-$243,000 (.02)	$8,056,000 (.63)

a-Results include favorable net effect of accounting methods change of

$978,000.

ECI Environmental Inc (Year 8-31)
$23,498,000 $22,348,000
d-$1,177,000 $1,904,000 (.54)
d-Deficit.

ERC Industries (3rd Q 10-31)
$5,578,000 $4,691,000
$487,000 (.04) $365,000 (.03)

Hadco Corp (4th Q 10-27)
$40,282,000 $42,499,000
$2,287,000 (.20) $2,307,000 (.19)

National Healthcare (1st Q 9-30)
$57,291,000 $58,634,000
$87,000 (.01) d-$524,000
d-Deficit.

NCH Corp (2nd Q 10-31)
$169,180,000 $151,390,000
$11,518,000 (1.38) $9,995,000 (1.19)

Nutmeg Industries (3rd Q 10-27)
$26,106,000 $13,412,000
$989,000 (.15) $164,000 (.02)

Ryan-Murphy Inc (3rd Q 10-31)
$4,409,106 $2,618,139
$435,860 (.04) d-$171,808
d-Deficit.

Sabine Royalty Trust (3rd Q 9-30)
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$4,915,668 (.34) $5,172,123 (.35)

Telecredit Inc (2nd Q 10-31)
$42,741,000 $40,653,000
$7,045,000 (.63) $6,311,000 (.57)

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CHICAGO (DEC. 3) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.
Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	78.70	78.95	78.38	78.70	78.55
Feb	75.35	75.60	74.93	75.07	75.15
Apr	76.10	76.32	75.82	76.00	75.95
Jun	74.05	74.18	73.55	73.68	73.88
Aug	72.25	72.50	72.10	72.10	72.22
Oct	72.50	72.50	72.25	72.25	72.20
Dec	73.00	73.13	73.00	73.10	72.80

Est. sales 13,226 contracts; Friday 18,990; open interest: 73,427 up 301.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	87.70	87.75	87.22	87.60	87.60
Mar	85.28	85.40	84.85	85.13	85.20
Apr	84.05	84.10	83.75	83.97	83.95
May	83.10	83.15	82.85	83.07	83.00
Aug	82.15	82.35	82.15	82.15	82.05
Sep	81.93	82.00	81.90	81.93	82.00
Oct	81.70	81.70	81.55	81.55	81.75
Nov	81.50	81.50	81.50	81.50	....

Est. sales 1,172 contracts; Friday 1,140; open interest: 9,643 up 311.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	51.30	51.45	50.50	50.63	50.90
Feb	48.30	48.58	47.80	48.08	48.20
Apr	46.05	46.20	45.60	45.70	45.88
Jun	50.33	50.35	49.70	49.72	50.05
Jul	50.45	50.50	49.75	50.03	50.35
Aug	48.90	49.05	48.80	48.90	48.90
Oct	44.13	44.13	43.95	43.95	44.00
Dec	44.75	44.75	44.60	44.60	44.67

Est. sales 6,764 contracts; Friday 10,866; open interest: 29,106 off 719.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	67.20	67.55	64.70	65.90	66.65
Mar	66.20	66.70	63.83	64.90	65.80
May	66.25	66.70	63.65	64.90	65.65
Jul	66.30	66.30	63.40	64.57	65.35
Aug	63.30	64.10	61.25	61.60	62.70

Est. sales 6,568 contracts; Friday 7,312; open interest: 12,452 up 44.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Monday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 128.60 down 10 cents, 700-850 lbs. 128.59 up 8 cents; select 1-3 550- 700 lbs. 117.04 down 12 cents, 700-850 lbs. 116. 73 down 8 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow on moderate trading; demand light; fresh pork loins not fully established; Boston butts not tested; skinned hams steady in light

test; seedless bellies steady in light; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 89.50-98.00, 18-22 lbs. 95.00; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 72.00-78.50; hams 14-17 lbs. 108.00, 17-20 lbs. 99.00-104.00, 20-26 lbs. 86.50-87.00, 26-32 lbs. 82.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 56.00, 12-14 lbs. 57. 00-58.00, 14-16 lbs. 57.00-58.00, 16-18 lbs.56.00, 18-20 lbs. 52.00, 20-25 lbs. 50.00.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 3) UPI - Soybeans closed sharply higher Monday at the Chicago Board of Trade while the grains also made gains.

Fast market conditions helped the first five bean contracts race to double-digit gains. A soyoil rally prompted a flood of professional and commission house buying of beans, which traders said mainly was short covering.

Speculative buying and bull spreading helped corn close somewhat higher. December corn got an added boost from a second straight day of light deliveries.

The last-minute surge in beans plus local buying helped wheat prices overcome commercial selling to close higher. Light delivery notices also supported wheat prices along with fairly active professional and commission house buying.

At the close, corn was off 1/4 to up 2 1/2, wheat was up 3/4 to up 2 1/2, soybeans were up 4 1/4 to 11 3/4 and oats were off 1/4 to up 1 3/4.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 3) UPI - AIDS activists chained themselves to the front door of the national Centers for Disease Control Monday, protesting the treatment of women with AIDS and demanding a broader definition of the deadly disease.

Police reported about two dozen arrests among about 200 demonstrators who gathered in a cold rain outside the federal health agency, forcing authorities to close a section of the street to traffic.

Most of those arrested were charged with criminal trespass.

The AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power, or ACT UP, wants the CDC to revise its defintion of AIDS to include symptoms specific to women, as well as focus on how the fatal ailment affects intravenous drug users and minorities.

Police used bolt cutters to remove about a dozen protesters who chained themselves to the CDC's doors.

''Shame, shame, shame,'' a chorus of demonstrators cried at police who led

away those who were arrested.

''Arrest the real criminals,'' the crowd shouted, referring to officials overseeing the nation's policies on AIDS.

The crowd broke up shortly after the arrests, with several shouting, ''We'll be back'' as they trooped away.

In addition, a spokesman for ACT UP said about 50 activists forced their way inside the offices of Dr. Gary Noble, head of the AIDS effort at the federal agency.

Authorities could not immediately confirm the number of protesters in Noble's offices, which are about 5 miles away from the main CDC building. The demonstrators demanded a meeting with Noble to discuss their concerns.

Without the broader definition, ACT UP contends many women with the AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, go undiagnosed, keeping the numbers artificially low.

ACT UP contends the current definition of the deadly acquired immune deficiency syndrome, adopted in 1987, ignores the differences between AIDS in men and women. Unlike men, HIV-infected women often suffer recurrent gynelogical infections and other complications.

Women represent about 10 percent of the 154,917 AIDS cases reported in the United States since the disease was first identified in the early 1980s. The CDC acknowledges the actual number of AIDS cases in both men and women is likely is as much as 20 percent above official statistics.

The CDC's refusal to change the AIDS definition in the last three years is ''an act of life-threatening negligence,'' ACT UP said in a prepared statement.

''Since the 1987 revision, physicians and other health care workers have continued to report serious and fatal illnesses in women resulting from HIV/AIDS,'' ACT UP said. ''Furthermore, without an official AIDS diagnosis women are excluded from treatments, services, benefits and clinical trials.

''Women frequently die without ever receiving these services,'' the statement said. ''Such treatments and services are crucial given the fact that women with AIDS die four times faster than men. Many women die without ever receiving an AIDS diagnosis.

CDC officials, however, maintain there is no scientific evidence to conclusively link the HIV infection to life-threatening illness specific to women.

The CDC contends that ''inappropriate changes'' in the AIDS definition could

obscure trends in the disease and hamper their forecast of its progression.

Since AIDS was first identified in the early 1980s, 95,774 Americans have died from the disease.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 3) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dc	2.45	2.47 1/2	2.44 1/2	2.47 1/2	2.45
Mr	2.62	2.64	2.61 1/4	2.64	2.61 3/4
My	2.70	2.72	2.69 1/2	2.72	2.69 1/2
Jly	2.77	2.78	2.76	2.77 1/2	2.76 3/4
Sp	2.82 1/2	2.83 1/4	2.82 1/2	2.83	2.81 1/2
Dec	2.93	2.96	2.93	2.94 1/2	2.93
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dc	2.27 3/4	2.30 1/2	2.27 1/2	2.30 1/4	2.27 3/4
Mr	2.36 3/4	2.39	2.36 1/2	2.38 3/4	2.37 3/4
My	2.44 3/4	2.45 3/4	2.44	2.45 1/2	2.45 1/4
Jly	2.50 3/4	2.51	2.49 1/4	2.50 3/4	2.50 1/2
Sp	2.50 3/4	2.51	2.49 1/4	2.50 1/2	2.50 1/2
Dc	2.50 1/4	2.50 3/4	2.49 1/2	2.50 1/4	2.50 1/2
Mr	2.56 1/4	2.57 1/4	2.56 1/4	2.56 3/4	2.56 3/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dc	1.12 3/4	1.13 3/4	1.11 1/2	1.13 3/4	1.12
Mr	1.22 3/4	1.23 1/2	1.21 1/4	1.23 1/2	1.22 3/4
My	1.28	1.28 1/2	1.27 1/4	1.28 1/2	1.28 1/2
Jly	1.34 1/2	1.34 1/2	1.33 1/2	1.34	1.34 1/4
Sp	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2	1.38 1/2
Dc	1.47 1/2	1.47 1/2	1.47 1/2	1.47 1/2	1.47 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Jn	5.88	6.03	5.85	6.01 1/4	5.89 1/2
Mr	6.03	6.18	5.99 1/2	6.15 1/2	6.04 1/2
My	6.16	6.29 3/4	6.12 3/4	6.29	6.17 1/4
Jly	6.26 1/4	6.39	6.24	6.38 1/2	6.28
Ag	6.28	6.42	6.25 3/4	6.42	6.30 1/2
Sp	6.19	6.31	6.18	6.29 1/2	6.24
Nv	6.17 1/2	6.25	6.14 1/2	6.24 3/4	6.20 1/2
Jn	6.28 1/2	6.36 1/2	6.27 1/2	6.36 1/2	6.31
Mar	6.49	6.49	6.49	6.49	6.42

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dc	21.30	21.60	21.13	21.49	21.36
Jn	21.55	21.86	21.35	21.72	21.59
Mr	21.88	22.16	21.68	22.04	21.92
My	22.22	22.50	22.00	22.32	22.30
Jl	22.45	22.65	22.25	22.58	22.48
Ag	22.35	22.50	22.30	22.50	22.40
Sp	22.25	22.60	22.25	22.50	22.42
Oct	22.35	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.40
Dc	22.35	22.40	22.30	22.35	22.32
Jn	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.25

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dc	172.80	180.00	171.70	179.70	172.90
Jn	175.50	182.00	174.30	181.50	175.90
Mr	179.80	188.00	178.80	187.00	180.30
My	182.50	190.00	181.50	189.50	183.10
Jl	185.50	192.00	184.50	189.50	185.60
Ag	186.00	186.50	185.90	186.00	186.70
Sp	185.00	185.50	184.80	185.50	185.00
Oct	186.50	187.50	....	187.00	183.50
Dc	185.30	190.00	185.00	190.00	186.50
Jn	186.00	187.00	....	186.50	185.70

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Gold futures closed Monday 670 to 780 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	383.00	383.90	376.00	376.60	383.30
Jan	377.60	....	....	377.60	384.80
Feb	384.90	385.90	377.50	378.50	385.70
Apr	387.80	389.00	381.00	381.60	388.90
Jun	391.00	391.80	384.60	384.80	392.20
Aug	393.20	394.00	387.80	387.80	395.20
Oct	397.20	397.20	391.00	391.00	398.40
Dec	401.70	401.70	394.30	394.30	401.70
Feb	397.60	....	....	397.60	405.10
Apr	401.80	401.80	400.70	400.70	408.30
Jun	405.20	405.20	404.10	404.10	411.80
Aug	407.70	....	....	407.70	415.50

Open interest: 101,946 off 2,951.

Estimated sales: 40,000 contracts.

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#90337u1443 12/03/1990 ~United Press International
TAMPA, FL (DEC. 3) UPI - Ray Perkins, hailed as a Vince Lombardi by the team's owner when he was hired four years ago, Monday was fired as coach of the foundering Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

Owner Hugh Culverhouse made the announcement the day after Tampa Bay broke a six-game losing streak with a 23-17 victory over Atlanta. Richard Williamson, Tampa Bay's receivers coach since 1987, was named interim coach for the final three games.

''In any company, if you don't meet your goals, the head man is out,'' Culverhouse said. ''This is not my second-guessing. I'm emotionally sick over this day. Ray Perkins and I met shortly before one o'clock and I decided it would be best if I replace him as coach. He took it pretty hard.''

The Buccaneers are 5-8 this season and need to win their last three games to avoid an eighth straight losing season. Since coming to Tampa Bay from the University of Alabama, Perkins has a 19-41 record.

He is the second NFL coach to be dismissed this year, following Bud Carson at Cleveland. After his brief meeting with Culverhouse, Perkins spoke with his players and left the team's headquarters.

Culverhouse labeled Perkins ''my Vince Lombardi'' when he named Perkins to succeed Leeman Bennett on Dec. 31, 1986.

Perkins posted a 23-34 record as coach of the New York Giants from 1979-82 before replacing Bear Bryant at Alabama. He overhauled the roster he inherited from Bennett, often terming the beginning talent base an ''expansion team.''

Williamson, who has an idle week to regroup, said he planned no major changes.

''This is a tough day for me, the coach and all of us,'' Williamson said. ''Mr. Culverhouse said he would consider me for the position next year. It was extremely tough on Ray. I've known him for a long time, coaching with him at Alabama. He's a real competitor and this was very tough on him.''

Fan disenchantment with Perkins reached a crescendo in recent weeks. Before Sunday's game, a longtime season-ticket holder gathered more than a hundred people outside to stage a protest. Hundreds of fans remained in the parking lot until the start of the second quarter, hoping to send an angry message to Culverhouse.

''We've had four seasons without a winning year and that's the sole reason for today's decision,'' Culverhouse said. ''The pressure continued to build. The more I thought about it last night, I knew there would be this constant

distraction to the team - would Ray Perkins be here? I'm responsible to the community to produce a competitive team, a winning team.

''I'm attuned to the fans. They care, they want to win and so do I. They have a right to express their views. Both Ray and I were sad. Ray Perkins wants a winning program here and this is the first time something like this has happened to him in his 49 years. I told Ray I'd like to have him with the organization.''

After Perkins selected Vinny Testaverde with the first pick of the draft, Tampa Bay went 4-11 in the strike-shortened 1987 season. Two consecutive 5-11 seasons followed and Culverhouse predicted this year's squad would win at least 11 games.

Tampa Bay opened at 4-2 before a last-minute home loss to Dallas triggered a six-week slide. The Buccaneers have not been eliminated from playoff consideration heading into home games against Minnesota and the New York Jets, sandwiched around a game at Chicago.

''The sun will come up tomorrow,'' Testaverde said. ''Ray Perkins is a good coach and he'll be back on top of it again.''

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#90337u1466 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (DEC. 3) UPI - The Labor Party-affiliated Histadrut union late Monday reached an agreement with the Finance Ministry and called off its indefinitely proclaimed strike that virtually shut down Israel's public sector.

Negotiating teams of the Histadrut and the Finance Ministry signed an agreement enabling about 500,000 Israelis to return to work immediately.

''We have signed an agreement and when two sides sign an agreement they have arrived at the conclusion that this is the best settlement that they can reach '' said Chaim Haberfeld, chairman of the Histadrut's Trade Union Division.

''It was not only a matter of the formualtion (of the agreement),'' Haberfeld said. ''It was also a matter of the essence.''

Ya'akov Lipshitz, the Finance Ministry's general director, said the agreement signed by the Histadrut Secretary General Yisrael Keisar and Finance Minister Yitzhak Modai stipulated the strike would end immediately, Army Radio reported.

Israeli workers Sunday closed down the country's banks, airports, government offices and other services including television, radio and most of the health and educational system to protest proposed cuts in the minimum wage and higher taxes on savings to help finance an estimated $30 billion needed for the absorption of thousands of new immigrants.

Approximately 160,000 immigrants have arrived in Israel in the first 11 months of 1990 and the numbers may reach 300,000 by April 1991, government officials reported.

The Histadrut and the Finance Ministry agreed late Monday in which the issue of the minimum wage would be shifted to the end of the debate agenda of the parliamentary Monetary Committee, Israel Radio reported.

Only in six weeks, when the committee concludes its discussions, will the Histadrut and the Finance Ministry attempt to reach a compromise on the issue, the radio reported. The two sides also agreed there would be no changes with regards taxes on savings.

It was Israel's second general strike this year. The Histadrut called a one-day strike earlier in the year opposing proposed tax reforms by Moda'i.

-30- 2307

#90337u1473 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (DEC. 3) UPI - Former Vernon Savings and Loan owner Don Dixon told testified Monday in his thrift fraud trial that he had no part in the arrangement to have female companions accompany a Texas thrift regulator on a trip to California.

Dixon said the escorts were arranged by Vernon President Patrick King at the request of Texas Savings and Loan Commissioner Linton Bowman for a 1986 trip to California where Vernon was making investments in real estate. ''I played no role,'' he said.

He testified that when he was asked by King if he would have a problem if women accompanied them on the trip, he said no and that King was on his own.

Dixon is on trial on a 38-count indictment charging him with using thrift funds to make illegal political contributions, pay for female entertainment and to support a lavish lifestyle.

Vernon collapsed in 1987 with a $1.3 billion loss to taxpayers, federal officials say.

Under questioning by his lawyer, Dixon said he was trying to save Vernon at a time when the thrift industry was coming under pressure as a result of a declining economy and the 1986 tax reform act that took away many of the incentives for real estate investment.

The defendant said he did not consider the trips arranged for Bowman as inappropriate nor the reimbursement of their expenses from Vernon. They were considered public relations costs to win the favor of regulators and

politicians, he said.

Asked if in hindshight he would change his opinion, Dixon said he would have handled them ''differently.''

A hunting junket to Kansas also was arranged for Bowman, he said, but there were no women present. ''It was 95 percent pheasant hunting and 5 percent television,'' he said.

Dixon said there were an average of 600 meetings year he would discribe as both business and social. He said out of about 3,000 such meetings over five years, there were no more than 15 or 20 meetings where women were present.

He also testified at length about political contributions, maintaining that he was not conversant with campaign laws. ''I was very naive about the political system ...,'' he said. ''I had no knowledge about the campaign laws.''

Dixon denied he asked his executives to submit false company expense accounts for reimbursement of campaign contributions. He said he told his officers that they could do so only after lawyers had cleared them.

Former Vernon officials have testified that that Dixon asked them to make the contributions and reimburse themselves through false expense accounts.

''I didn't authorize anybody to cheat on the expense accounts,'' Dixon testified.

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#90337u1482 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (DEC. 3) UPI - Conoco Inc. said Monday it will support formation of a citizen advisory council to provide environmental advice on the company's operations in the Gulf of Mexico.

The council will be part of a concept already in place at other company sites in the United States, said Conoco President Constantine S. Nicandros.

''Representatives from environmental groups, the fishing industry, government, universities and the public will be invited to join this 12- member group,'' Nicandros told the America's Sea conference sponsored by the Environmental Protection Agency in New Orleans.

Under an environmental program announced last April, Conoco formed citizen councils to work with the company at U.S. refinery sites and at other locations around the world.

The program's initiatives also include such measures as constructing double-hull tankers, providing double-wall storage tanks at gasoline outlets

and accelerating emission reduction programs at its manufacturing sites.

Du Pont, Conoco's parent company, has $10 billion worth of assets in states bordering the Gulf of Mexico, Nicandros said.

''We believe that the scope of our presence mandates that we spell out what we are doing to influence the environmental well-being of the Gulf Coast,'' he said.

Nicandros also discussed a $75 million project that will allow Conoco to separate oil and water aboard offshore platforms, rather than bringing large volumes ashore for separation and subsequent water discharge into other bodies of water.

Nicandros encouraged a broadened perspective on the Gulf of Mexico beyond being ''America's Sea.''

''The corporate responsibilities of the Du Pont Company demand that we think of the Gulf of Mexico as a larger entity - more of a global commons, if you will, held in trust for all nations and all people,'' he said.

-30- 2063

#90337u1483 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 5 to 9 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.95	9.98	9.75	9.76	9.82
May	9.98	9.99	9.82	9.82	9.87
Jly	10.00	10.00	9.87	9.87	9.92
Oct	10.01	10.02	9.86	9.87	9.96
Mar	10.08	....	....	9.96	10.02

Estimated sales: 11,607 contracts
Open interest: 108,360 off 818
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.81

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 8 to 28 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	22.46	11.70	11.46	11.65	11.93
Mar	22.66	22.75	22.64	22.72	22.94
May	22.75	22.82	22.75	22.82	23.01
Jly	22.76	22.84	22.75	22.83	23.04
Sep	22.70	22.82	22.70	22.79	22.96

Nov	22.78	22.82	22.75	22.82	22.90
Jan	....	....	....	22.89	22.97

Estimated sales: 2,345 contracts
Open interest: 12,796 up 302

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#90337u1485 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

COLLEGE STATION, TX (DEC. 3) UPI - Physicists have worked out a testable new theory that may be a key step towards linking the fundamental forces of the universe in a single, unified model.

Preliminary data from recent experiments at the CERN particle collider in Switzerland appear to support the new theory's predictions, the scientists said in a news release issued Monday.

''It (the theory) seems to encompass all the beautiful things of the past,'' said Dimitri Nanopoulos of Texas A&M University. ''It is a supersymmetric theory. It is also a grand unified theory, and it is a string theory.''

Nanopoulos said the new model also suggests that a new form of invisible matter may exist. Dubbed cryptons, from the Greek word for ''hidden,'' they could make up the ''dark matter'' of the universe. Physicists use the idea of invisible dark matter to explain the gap between measurements of the total mass of the universe and what theory predicts should be there.

A team headed by Nanopoulos and John Ellis of CERN described the ideas behind their theory in a series of articles published over the past two months in the journal Physics Letters B.

The physicists said the theory explains for the first time in a single ''grand unification'' model how gravity interacts with the strong, weak and electromagnetic forces that bind matter together. Furthermore, the researchers said they have derived a set of rules that should allow the theory to be tested directly.

''We really worked hard, and we finally have a set of rules that I can use to tell you how to calculate this thing from beginning to end,'' Nanopoulos said.

A number of earlier ''grand unified theories'' have been proposed, but none have been able to satisfactorily combine all the forces at once.

In an interview with the magazine Science News, Ellis said: ''Even if our particular model turns out not be right, I still feel that the sort of things that we're learning in our model could be very useful in unraveling the details of (any better) model.''

The new theory incorporates ideas from the theories of ''superstrings'' and

''supersymmetry'' to go beyond the so-called standard model of fundamental forces generally accepted by particle physicists.

String theory suggests that matter is made up of vibrating line-like particles instead of point-like particles as originally thought. Cryptons seem to be found in a ''hidden segment'' of the strings, Nanopoulos said.The idea of supersymmetry allows physicists to treat particles and radiation the same way in their calculations.

The standard model of particle physics describes the relationship between ''weak'' force, ''strong'' force and electromagnetism. However, it does not take into account the effect of gravity.

The 1989 particle collider experiments confirmed the standard model, Nanopoulos said. But they also pointed the way toward more far-sweeping models like that proposed by the Texas-CERN team.

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#90337u1489 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - A military rebellion erupted in Argentina today, just two days before President Bush is scheduled to visit there. Argentine President Carlos Menem declared a state of siege from his command post at the government palace which came under gunfire this morning. Rebel troops captured the headquarters of the army chief of staff and a regimental barracks in early fighting. The uprising is being held by a military unit known as the ''painted faces.''

President Bush says he has NO plans to alter his schedule, despite the uprising within the army in Argentina. Bush is in Brazil today. He spoke to a joint session of the Brazilian Congress, calling for free enterprise and free trade and praising the rebirth of democracy in the region. Bush also used the opportunity to seek more support for the American position in the Persian Gulf crisis.

The foreign ministers of Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia are meeting in Cairo this evening to co-ordinate their policies now that Iraq has agreed to face-to-face talks with the United States. Back in Washington, D-C, Defense Secretary Cheney answered congressional critics of Bush administration policies. He told the Senate Armed Services Committee that there is NO guarantee that economic sanctions will force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

Iowa courts can still go after auto dealers in neighboring Nebraska if they feel that false and misleading advertisements are being placed in publications distributed in Iowa. That follows a decision by the U-S Supreme Court upholding earlier action by Iowa's Supreme Court. The ruling involves advertisements from Omaha, Nebraska, car dealerships placed in a Nebraska newspaper with limited circulation across the Missouri River in Council Bluffs Iowa.

The nation's highest court also upheld the conviction of a Missouri woman after poice found cocaine in a purse she had reported stolen. Ella Sumlin had appealed the eight-year prison sentence on grounds that the cocaine could have been planted in the purse. She also contended that police had NO right to search the closed cigarette case in which the cocaine was found.

A limited form of private ownershp of land has returned to parts of the Soviet Union for the first time since the 1930's. The Russian Federation has approved a controlled form of property ownership that still gives local governments substantial control over land transactions. But the move by the largest Soviet republic still represents the most liberal form of ownership since Stalin nationalized all Soviet land.

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#90337u1504 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

Bonds - Higher.

American Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in sparse trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in thin trading.

Dollar - Higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1/4 to up 2 1/2, wheat was up 3/4 to up 2 1/2, soybeans were up 4 1/4 to 11 3/4 and oats were off 1/4 to up 1 3/4.

Cattle Trade - Weak to $1 lower; top $82.00.

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#90337u1506 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $8 to $30 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.40 cent lower to 0.45 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.70 cent lower to 0.80 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.08 cent higher to 0.42 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $6.70 to $7.80 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.40 to $3.80 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.05 cent higher to 0.30 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 0.7 to 1.6 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.005 to 0.009 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90337u1524 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

BRASILIA, BRAZIL (DEC. 3) UPI - President Bush's first in-person outline of his ''initiative for the Americas'' Monday promised South Americans the chance of a rosy trade future with the United States but was less than what many on the continent had hoped to hear.

Bush arrived in Brasilia Monday morning for the first stop of a five- nation tour to promote free trade and celebrate the rebirth of democracy in the region.

His speech to the Brazilian Congress, outlining the main points of his six-day trip, differed little from the initiative he proposed in June to form a hemispheric free-trade partnership from the Arctic Circle to Cape Horn.

''It is within our power to make this hemisphere the largest free- trading partnership of sovereign nations in the world,'' Bush said in the speech.

''We see a future where growing opportunity, the power of technology and the benefits of prosperity are developed and shared by all.''

The main things Brazilians had hoped Bush's visit would lead to were help in negotiating their foreign debt with commercial banks, more access to high technology and expanded markets for exports. Brazil is in the midst of a

recession and as in many Latin American countries, President Fernando Collor de Mello is struggling to implement unpopular austerity measures with the idea that short-term hardship will lead to long-term growth.

Brazilian government sources said Collor asked Bush to pressure commercial banks to strike a bargain on debt but Bush made it clear he would only seek a restructuring of public debt, leaving Brazil to fight its own battles with the banks.

Brazil's $116 billion in public and private foreign debt is the largest in the Third World.

''Our new approach to official debt will compliment commercial debt restructuring,'' Bush said. ''I understand the importance to Brazil and, indeed, to the international financial community, of reaching a new and effective agreement on commercial debt. I believe, through your program of economic reform, you have taken the first crucial step toward that goal.''

Regarding transfer of technology, government sources said Bush approved the controversial sale of an IBM supercomputer, model 3090-200, to Brazil. The U.S. had balked on the sale for about two years because of Brazil's military ties to countries such as Iraq and because of fears Brazil would use the computer to help build an atomic bomb.

No new commerce agreements were signed in Brazil and half-way around the world in Brussels, Belgium, in the Uruguay Round of trade negotiations between 107 countries, no new concessions were made by the United States.

A letter by two top government ministers was published Sunday in the Folha de Sao Paulo newspaper, accusing the Bush administration of not heeding its own word in contributing to free trade.

The letter by Foreign Minister Francisco Rezek and Economy Minister Zelia Cardoso de Mello, addressed to President Collor, accused the United States of pressuring the Third World to follow its position in the trade talks without conceding anything in return to help boost the export potential of struggling countries like Brazil.

After Bush's speech, Nelson Carneiro, president of Brazil's Congress, praised Bush's efforts to place more importance on Latin America as a trading partner. ''Together we can produce more,'' he said.

But he warned, ''We must not forget ... that most of the world exists in poverty and is still subject to the domination of economic powers.''

To Brazil's powerful business community, Bush encouraged support for free enterprise and privatization.

''To promote new investment in the Americas, the dead hand of state con- trol must be lifted,'' he said. ''We must allow entrepreneurs the flexibility to adapt, create and produce.''

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#90337u1531 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.19

60 to 89 days 7.93

90 to 119 days 7.82

120 to 149 days 7.72

150 to 179 days 7.61

180 to 270 days 7.52

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.35 - 7.85

Issuers 30 days 8.05

Issuers 90 days 7.81

Issuers 270 days 7.40

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.54

60 to 89 days 8.24

90 to 119 days 8.19

120 to 149 days 8.15

150 to 179 days 8.09

180 days 8.04

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.625 - 7.375

1 month 8.50 - 8.625

3 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

6 month 8.00 - 8.125

Year 7.875 - 8.00

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.06 - 7.04

6 months 7.02 - 7.00

Year 6.85 - 6.83

Federal Funds: High 7 9-16, Low 7 1/2, Close 7 1/2

Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 7.750 off 0.026.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90337u1532 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Seven young men accused of beating a homeless man to death while wearing monster masks and wielding a meat cleaver during a Halloween night of violence were indicted for the murder, prosecutors said Monday.

''The actions of these defendants demonstrate a complete and total disregard for human life,'' Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau said of the

attack on homeless men living in a shelter on Ward's Island.

''These seven young men perpetrated shocking, indiscriminate and heinous acts of violence toward our city's most vulnerable citizens. Their behavior warrants prosecution to the fullest extent of the law,'' Morgenthau said.

The seven young men indicted on murder, assault and riot charges ranged in age from 13 to 23.

They were slated to be arraigned Tuesday in state Supreme Court in Manhattan.

The violence began at 9:30 p.m. on Oct. 31, when two of the suspects demanded money from several homeless men on a footbridge leading to the island from Manhattan. Hiding nearby were other members of the gang, wearing masks of horror-movie characters such as ''Freddie Kruger'' and ''Jason'' and cartoon characters such as ''Pluto'' and ''Goofy.''

When one of the homeless men, Carlos Melendez, 35, failed to comply with their demands for money, the entire group attacked him.

He was chased into bushes and attacked by the group, which wielded a meat cleaver, vacuum cleaner hoses and a lead pipe. He died of injuries sustained in the attack.

''Our investigation leads us to believe that it was the defendants' intention, from the start, to attack and brutalize homeless people living on the island '' Morgenthau said.

Melendez died as a result of blunt force trauma to the chest, according to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

He also sustained severe lacerations to the head and neck that contributed to his death, as well as a fractured sternum and ribs, a ruptured lung and contusions to the surface of the heart, the medical examiner said.

Six other homeless men injured in the attack were treated at a hospital for their injuries.

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#90337u1546 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	67 5-8	up 1-8
AT&T Company	30	off 2 1-8
BCE Inc	34 1-8	unch
Bell Atlantic	54 3-8	unch

BellSouth Corp	53 5-8	up 1-8
Exxon Corp	50 3-4	up 1-8
Ford Motor Co	27 3-8	unch
Genl Electric	x54 5-8	up 1-2
General Motors	36	off 1-2
GTE Corp	28 3-4	unch
IBM Corp	113 3-8	off 1-4
Mobil Oil Corp	58 1-2	off 3-8
Nynex Corp	71 1-4	off 1-8
Pac Gas & Elec	25	up 1-8
Pacific Telesis	45	up 3-8
Phila Electric	16 7-8	up 1-8
Sears Roebuck	26	off 1-8
Southern Co	27 1-8	up 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	54 7-8	off 1-4
US West Inc	37 3-8	up 1-4

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#90337u1558 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2565.59	up	5.94	872.04	up	19.04	211.77	off	0.32
Friday	2559.65	up	40.84	853.00	up	24.97	212.09	up	3.84
Week ago	2533.17	up	5.94	835.80	off	8.32	209.88	up	0.88
Month ago	2502.23	up	11.39	850.59	up	8.13	214. 66	off	1.26
Year ago	2753.63	up	5.98	1217.64	up	15.29	228. 24	up	0.44
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2565.59	up	5.94
20 Trans	872.04	up	19.04
15 Utils	211.77	off	0.32
65 Stocks	898.72	up	5.94

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#90337u1573 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks - 10,740,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,107,265,415
Bonds - $2,550,000
1990 to date - $689,388,000

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#90337u1581 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTL)	73,114,256	37 3/4	up 1/4
Microsoft Comptr	(MSFT)	67,282,744	73 7/8	up 1 5/8
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	63,705,928	55 3/8	off 2 5/8
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	54,733,136	19 1/4	off 5/8
Apple Comptr	(AAPL)	52,047,536	38 1/8	up 1 3/8
Reuter Hldgs	(RTRS)	49,610,344	35	unch
Conner Periph	(CNNR)	37,478,700	27 3/4	up 1 3/4
Liz Claiborne	(LIZC)	34,178,404	29 1/2	up 1/2
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	28,498,184	20 1/4	off 5/8
Cordis Corp	(CORD)	28,388,080	20 1/2	off 1/8

Composite Index 159.20 up 1.06

NMS volume 101,652,704 shares.
Advances 795
Declines 740
Unchanged 1,237
Total 2,772

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#90337u1584 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	177.07	up	1.01
ASE Market Value Index	302.60	up	0.81
Dow-Jones Industrial	2565.59	up	5.94

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#90337u1585 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 302.92, low 301.78, close 302.60, up 0.81.

There was a gain of 2 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,740,000 shares, compared with 12, 610,000 Friday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	11
New Lows	35
Advances	292
Declines	273
Unchanged	244
Total Issues	809

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#90337u1586 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Monday	1017.0
Friday	1011.3
Week ago	1021.7
Month ago	1036.3
Year ago	1071.6
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1011.3

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#90337u1595 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks	-	177,010,000 shares
1990 to date	-	36,732,111,681
Warrants	-	639,100
1990 to date	-	238,917,400

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#90337u1598 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 3) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Monday	-	9,689,000
1990 to date	-	2,287,410,000

The market closed mixed.

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#90337u1606 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 8 points higher to 42 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.

Dec	75.75	76.00	75.70	75.88	75.80
Mar	73.98	74.15	73.70	73.76	74.18
May	73.70	73.80	73.47	73.48	73.88
Jly	73.70	73.75	73.25	73.25	73.50
Oct	67.85	67.85	67.75	67.77	67.85
Dec	65.35	65.40	65.10	65.12	65.35
Mar	65.90	....	....	66.01	66.04
May	66.00	....	....	66.40	66.42

Estimated sales: 3,500 contracts
Open interest: 40,955 up 204
The World spot average: 68.90

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#90337u1607 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	302.60	up	0.81
High Technology	318.42	up	0.11
Capital Goods	315.64	up	0.56
Consumer Goods	388.73	up	3.13
Service	700.44	up	4.81
Retail	940.24	up	11.04
Financial	358.58	up	4.18
Natural Resources	216.91	off	1.15
Housing-Const-Land	228.48	up	3.01

There was a gain of 2 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	403.60	off	1.76
Mid Atlantic	413.97	up	4.85
No Central	396.41	up	6.69
So Atlantic	838.34	up	4.67
So Central	302.40	off	1.95
Mountain	102.30	off	0.92
Pacific	346.30	off	0.02
Foreign	214.66	off	0.57

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#90337u1615 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
AT&T Co	8,498,500	30 1/8	off 2
NCR Corp	4,996,700	81 1/2	up 24 3/4
First Bank Sys	4,516,700	12 7/8	up 5/8

PepsiCo Inc	2,478,600	26	up 3/8
Limited Inc	2,225,600	17 1/4	up 1 1/2
Philip Morris	1,999,500	48 3/4	up 1/8
Digital Equipmnt	1,905,400	54 1/2	up 2 3/4
Wal Mart Stores	1,808,900	30 7/8	up 3/4
General Electric	1,742,800	54 3/8	up 1/4
Toys R Us	1,719,400	24 3/8	up 1 1/8
IBM Corp	1,570,200	113	off 5/8
Amer Express	1,385,700	20 7/8	up 3/8
Eastman Kodak	1,330,300	42 3/4	up 3/8
Home Depot	1,276,000	37 3/4	up 2
Motorola Inc	1,261,300	52	up 1 1/2

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#90337u1617 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Imperial Oil A	4,443,900	51 3/4	up 1/4
Contl Air Hldgs	1,426,600	2	off 1 3/8
A t2 sc	578,000	5 5/8	off 1/2
Echo Bay Mines	258,100	7 7/8	off 1/2
Energy Service	250,000	2 3/8	unch
BAT Industries	244,200	11 1/8	off 1-16
Air & Water Tch	235,700	17 3/4	up 1/4
Western Digital	229,200	4 5/8	off 1/4
Fruit of Loom	215,600	8 5/8	up 5/8
Amdahl Corp	209,200	13 7/8	unch

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#90337u1621 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - Foreign ministers of three major Arab states directly involved in the Persian Gulf crisis ended their first round of talks in Cairo Monday and agreed to step up diplomatic efforts to dislodge Saddam Hussein's army from Kuwait before a U.N. deadline, an Egyptian official said.

The Arab initiative came the same day Yemeni Vice President Ali Salem al Baid, whose country supports Iraq in the crisis, flew to the Jordanian capital Amman for talks on the 4-month-old standoff, Amman Radio reported.

Persian Gulf states have labeled Jordan's King Hussein, who on Monday met in Amman with a delegation from the exiled Kuwaiti government, an aopologist for Saddam because of the Hashemite monarch's refusal to condemn Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

Cairo newspapers said Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Syria hope they can cause a rift between Saddam and his handful of Arab allies, thus persuading him of the futility of remaining in the oil-rich emirate after Jan. 15, a date set by the United Nations to let diplomatic efforts work before resorting to force.

''The foreign ministers ... have agreed to step up diplomatic efforts to persuade Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that peace can best be achieved by his withdrawal from Kuwait,'' the official said.

He said the efforts are crucial to avert force in the area.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency quoted a government official as saying the talks, which were to resume Tuesday in the presence of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, are intended to contain the crisis before it explodes.

''The vital interests of the Arab nation require the employment of its strategic, economic, military and human potential to adopt a unified action to deal with the crisis, and pull the Arab nation out of its current plight,'' MENA quoted the unnamed government official as saying.

''The three Arab capitals do not want a war against Iraq, but the restoration of an Arab land to its legitimate owners,'' the official said.

''They will step up contacts with (pro-Iraqi) states such as Yemen, Tunisia, Jordan, Sudan and the Palestine Liberation Organization to persuade Saddam that honorable withdrawal is better than dishonorable defeat in a war,'' the official said.

The meeting came as an Iraqi official boasted that any military attempt to free Kuwait would be a catastrophe for the attackers and their friends.

That threat came two days after Saddam accepted a U.S. proposal for last-minute talks on the crisis before the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline and a day after it tested a Soviet-designed Scud missile.

In Washington, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney told a Senate hearing on U.S. policy in the gulf that U.N.-imposed economic sanctions against Iraq will not force him to withdraw from Kuwait.

In Kuala Lumpur, Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad said Monday Malaysia and other Islamic countries are prepared to mediate to help resolve the crisis.

Iraq's official INA news agency quoted Information Minister Latif Nsayef Jassim as saying any allied attack on Iraq to liberate Kuwait ''would be a catastrophe to the aggressing forces and the parties that invited them,'' a reference to such Arab states as Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.

Egypt and Syria have sent troops to the gulf to serve with the U.S.- led

multinational force deployed there since the invasion of Kuwait.

Syria has sent some 4,000 troops to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates to counter any further Iraqi aggression, and Syrian Defense Minister Mustafa Tlass was quoted over the weekend as saying his country is ready to send an another 500,000 troops if necessary.

Syria and Iraq are ruled by rival wings of the Baath Arab Socialist party and Syrian President Hafez Assad considers Saddam his main enemy in the Arab world.

Egypt has dispatched up to 20,000 troops to the gulf and is the third largest contributor after the United States and Britain, which is boosting the size of its force to 30,000.

Cheney told a Senate committee he does not think economic sanctions alone will work against Saddam and told congressional critics who want delays that stalling could be dangerous.

Cheney told the Senate Armed Services Committee that time can weaken the international coalition arrayed against Iraq and that further damage could occur to politically and economically fragile nations, permitting Iraq to bolster its military strength.

As for sanctions, he said: ''My personal view is that given the nature of that regime, given Saddam Hussein's brutality to his own people, given his very tight control over that society, his ability to allocate resources for the military, their ability to produce their own food, basically, inside, that he can ride them out.

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#90337u1631 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6275	off 70
NCR Corp	81 1/2	up 24 3/4
Enron Corp pf	194 1/2	off 8 7/8
Square D Co	51 7/8	up 4 3/8
Washington Post	188	up 4
Hitachi Ltd	78 1/2	off 3 3/4
General Re Corp	93	up 3 3/4
Matsushita El	120 3/8	off 3 1/8
Digital Equipmnt	54 1/2	up 2 3/4
Snap On Tools	32 1/4	up 2 5/8
ITT Corp pfK	77 1/2	up 2 1/2

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#90337u1655 12/03/1990 ~United Press International
ROMULUS, MI (DEC. 3) UPI - Two Northwest Airlines jets collided on a foggy runway at Detroit Metropolitan Aiprort Monday. At least 19 people were reported killed and at least 25 others injured.

Northwest Flight 1482 bound for Pittsburgh, a DC-9 carrying 39 passengers and five crew, and Nortwest Flight 299, a Boeing 727 carrying 146 and 10 crew, collided on a takeoff runway about 1:45 p.m. EST, an airline spokesman said.

The DC-9 burst into flames, quickly leaving it a charred hulk with most of the top of its passenger cabin burned away.

A Romulus deputy fire chief said some of the dead were still strapped in their seats aboard the DC-9. ''It is a disaster,'' said the deputy, who requested anonymity. He said ''about half the beople on board'' the DC-9 were killed.

Northwest spokesman Bob Gibbons said in St. Paul, Minn., where the airline has its headquarters, that at least 19 people were reported killed in the collision, and hospitals reported as many as 25 injured, one critically.

Another Northwest spokesman, Doug Miller, said the aircraft were taxiing for takeoff in the fog at Detroit when the accident occurred. ''Initial reports suggest the right wing of the 727 contacted the aft section of the DC-9, resulting in a fire aboard the DC-9 on a taxiway near Concourse A,'' he said.

Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara said a wintry storm had slammed the Detroit area earlier, but precipitation had cleared by midday, leaving the airport shrouded in fog. He said the weather was ''a very serious factor'' in the collision.

''Visibility was down very low,'' McNamara said. ''I happened to be passing by the airport and commented on it. No question, weather was a factor.''

Rod Nacker of Sterling Heights, who was aboard the 727 which was headed for Memphis at Flight 299, clipped the DC-9. ''We were taxiing just before takeoff '' he said. ''It seems the captain didn't even see the other plane. The other plane was in a lot worse condition than ours. We were losing a lot of aviation fuel. They foamed both planes. We couldn't see out the windows.''

Barbara Nicholson, a spokeswoman at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn, said 13 were taken to Annapolis Hospital in Wayne and two of them later were transferred to the burn center at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor, and three others were discharged. Four others were in stable condition at Heritage Hospital in Taylor, and Annapolis was expecting eight more patients, she said.

Detroit Metropolitan Airport was closed for about two hours after the accident.

Northwest said Flight 1482 was to have originated in Chicago, but bad weather there canceled the Chicago-Detroit leg of the flight, and it originated in Detroit. Flight 299 originated in Detroit.

The airport was the scene of the nation's second-worst aviation disaster. On Aug. 16, 1987, when a Northwest MD-80 bound for Phoenix crashed on takeoff, killing 156 people, including two on the ground. The only survivor aboard the plane was a 4-year-old girl aboard the plane, a version of the DC-9.

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#90337u1660 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (DEC. 3) UPI - General Motors Corp. will meet with dealers of its Saturn Corp. subsidiary this Wednesday to consider compensating them for a severe shortage of new Saturn cars, Automotive News said Monday.

GM may also delay the opening of some Saturn dealerships because quality problems have slowed the production line at the company's Spring Hill, Tenn., manufacturing complex.

Donald Hudler, Saturn vice president of sales, said Saturn's ''franchise operation team'' will discuss some form of compensation to dealers who have been in short supply of the cars since they went on sale at 25 locations Oct. 25.

Saturn now has 53 dealers in operation.

The weekly trade publication estimates about 8,000 Saturn cars have been shipped since production began in late July, all of them four-door sedan models. Saturn has said the coupe version, which is already being advertised, is not yet ready for sale.

One dealer, Al Serra of Saturn North in Clarkston, Mich., said compensation would be fair.

''I didn't think it would be quite this severe,'' he said, adding that his dealership has had only six cars to sell in the last 30 days.

''Not only do they not have any product, they don't have any income base,'' Serra said of himself and other Saturn dealers.

Serra said he has to continue paying his sales people and other staff even though no income is coming in.

Hudler, however, said that the company is dedicated to focusing on vehicle quality, not sales numbers. He said the company should be shipping coupes before the year is out.

The Saturn cars, intended to fight import brands like Honda's Civic, start at $7,995 for the base version, but can range to over $16,000 for a fully equipped SC coupe.

But few of the base-priced models are expected to be sold, with typically equipped models to sell in the $10,000 to $12,000 range.

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#90337u1663 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	361.32	up	2.26	348.86	458.28
Industrial	393.14	up	3.73	376.79	448.19
Finance	350.80	up	0.79	344.99	520.26
Insurance	433.21	up	4.15	417.14	559.37
Utility	459.20	off	4.07	446.24	739.74
Bank	249.86	up	1.75	249.01	416.65
Transport	391.75	up	2.77	381.40	477.46

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 159.20 up 1.06

Industrial Index 156.65 up 1.59

NASDAQ-100 Index 389.05 up 3.74

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#90337u1664 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

BRASILIA, Brazil (DEC. 3) UPI - President Bush heralded a new hemispheric order driven by free enterprise, open markets and democracy Monday, only to be reminded just how Latin America in the throes of transition remains haunted by ghosts from its past.

Amid the sleek towers and white marble buildings of a capital carved from wilderness three decades ago, Bush called for a new ''declaration of interdependence among the American nations of the New World'' at the start of a 12,000-mile goodwill tour.

''I truly believe we are approaching a new dawn in the New World,'' he said in a speech to the Brazilian Congress. ''Our thinking must be bold, our will resolute. Our challenge now is to hew out of a wilderness of competing interests a new kind of opportunity in the Americas.''

Calling for a common course not blurred by ''the false distinctions between the First World and the Third World that have too long limited political and economic relations,'' Bush hailed a tide of reform ''transforming the face of this hemisphere.''

As he spoke, however, pleadings by his hosts for trade and debt concessions and an outbreak of military unrest in Argentina, the third stop on his swing through South America this week, served as reminders that the historic change that has swept Latin America in recent years has yet to be fully consolidated.

U.S. officials were quick to discount the significance of the rebellion in Argentina and its threat to President Carlos Menem. However, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater acknowledged it appeared intended to embarrass Menem and other U.S. officials admitted it bared a degree of restiveness within the Argentine military.

''It is not a large-scale uprising,'' said Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger. ''And again, my argument would be that fundamentally, democracy in Argentina is working and when this is over, it'll demonstrate the roots of democracy in Argentina are fairly deep.''

To avoid any appearance of alarm, Bush ruled out any immediate change in plans to arrive in Buenos Aires on Wednesday, reinforcing what Fitzwater described as ''his confidence in President Menem and his support for democracy in Argentina.''

In Brasilia, Bush had high praise for a country that ended 21 years of military rule in 1985 and the struggle by youthful President Fernando Collor de Mello to revamp an economy burdened by recession, inflation, market manipulation, protectionism and a $116 billion foreign debt, largest in the Third World.

Just as Menem has faced problems from the Argentine military, Collor has seen the progress of his economic recovery program stalled not just without but within by business and bureaucratic sectors that have profited from the inefficiencies and inequities of the past and would lose from modernization.

Bush offered Brazil, like the other four nations on his itinerary, a future of opportunity governed by ''mutual respect, candor and collective will.''

His pledge that the United States would support that transition ''every step of the way'' was backed by no new promises beyond the still-evolving trade, investment and debt relief plan he announced in Washington on June 27. But one of his objectives on this trip is to help leaders like Collor buy the time that will be needed to escape the legacy of dictatorship and state control, which is why he emphasized the need for patience and even sacrifice if reform is to succeed.

''In the short run, economic change will be difficult and painful for many,'' he said at a luncheon for Brazilian business leaders. ''But the long-term results - a growing economy, sound currency - will lead to new opportunities and a better quality of life for all the people of Brazil and indeed for the rest of the hemisphere.''

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#90337u1668 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Monday 389.05 up 3.74.

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#90337u1677 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	377.92	221.18	143.04	22.25	322.22
Opening	379.86	223.88	143.15	22.44	323.80
11 a.m.	379.23	222.97	142.94	22.39	323.25
Noon	379.42	223.48	143.04	22.41	323.44
1 p.m.	380.02	223.84	143.13	22.48	323.94
2 p.m.	380.63	224.29	143.22	22.56	324.46
3 p.m.	379.98	223.88	143.09	22.55	323.97
Close	380.05	224.31	143.39	22.53	324.10
Change	up 2.13	up 3.13	up 0.35	up 0.28	up 1.88

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#90337u1683 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - Rebel troops launched rebellion in Argentina today, seizing the headquarters of the army chief of staff and a regimental barracks. Loyalist forces reportedly blew up bridges on two highways to block an advance by rebel armored columns. Gunfire erupted in Buenos Aires, and some bullets hit the government palace. Argentine President Carlos Menem declared a state of siege from his command post at the palace. The army said most of its soldiers remained loyal, and it urged the rebels to surrender unconditionally.

The army rebellion erupted just two days before President Bush is scheduled to arrive in Buenos Aires on his week-long visit to South America. The president says he has NO plans to change his schedule.

President Bush called for free enterprise, free trade and open markets today in a speech to a joint session of the Brazilian Congress. The president opened a week-long South American trip in Brasilia, issuing what he called a ''declaration of interdependence among the American nations of the New World.''

The foreign ministers of Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia are meeting in Cairo to co-ordinate their Persian Gulf policies in light of the Iraqi agreement to face-to-face talks with the United States. Defense Secretary Cheney, meanwhile told Congress that giving more time for sanctions to work does NOT guarantee that they will succeed in forcing Iraq from Kuwait.

The chief of the Turkish general straff resigned today in apparent disagreement with his president's backing for the U-S policy in the Persian Gulf. The general is the second high-ranking Turkish official to resign because of the pro-U-S policy in Turkey.

South African police say emergency restrictions are being imposed on a black township east of Johannesburg, where black-on-black violence raged, leaving 52 people dead. The discovery of 52 bodies in the township pushed to 83 the number of people killed in politically inspired violence in South Africa since Friday.

A strong storm brought icy winter weather and blizzard conditions to the Midwest today, leaving thousands of people without power and giving thousands of school children a day off. Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, Iowa and Nebraska got the worst of the storm, which packed winds of up 50 miles an hour and snows up to 15 inches deep.

Simone Cousteau died at her home in Monaco. The wife of French sea explorer Jacques-Yves Cousteau was 72. Though Mrs. Cousteau avoided the spotlight, she had accompanied her husband on more than one-thousand excursions on the research vessel ''The Calypso.''

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#90337u1688 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2572.28	2589.60	2543.56	2565.59	up 5.94
20 Trans	864.83	877.40	857.62	872.04	up 19.04
15 Utils	211.96	212.97	209.95	211.77	off 0.32
65 Stock	898.29	905.79	889.18	898.72	up 5.94

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday

Indus	25,275,200	27,640,000
Trans	4,537,800	5,219,400
Utils	2,418,500	4,357,900
65 Stock	32,231,500	37,217,300

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.99	up 0.37
10 Public Utils	92.88	up 0.37
10 Industrials	89.11	up 0.37

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 123.93 up 0.13.

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#90337u1696 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	36	25	17
New lows	32	37	49

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	944	109,593,700
Declines	629	47,778,400
Unchanged	436	19,637,900
Total	2,009	177,010,000

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#90337u1699 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	11
New lows	36

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	292	4,131,800
Declines	273	4,429,700
Unchanged	244	2,178,500
Total	809	10,740,000

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#90337u1700 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.

Composite	352.28	359.05	361.32	up 2.26
Industrial	394.12	391.03	393.14	up 3.73
Finance	351.62	349.78	350.80	up 0.79
Insurance	435.77	429.27	433.21	up 4.15
Utility	466.85	458.81	459.20	off 4.07
Bank	250.34	247.93	249.86	up 1.75
Transport	393.22	387.09	391.75	up 2.77

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

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NASDAQ-100 Index	389.05 up 3.74
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Unchanged	1,237
Total	2,772

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#90337u1712 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.51	7.61	8.53
91-day Treasury bills	7.27	7.27	7.58
182-day Treasury bills	7.36	7.36	7.31
1-year Treasury bills	7.30	7.32	7.18
3-year Treasury notes	7.64	7.66	7.71
7-year Treasury notes	8.14	8.17	7.79
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.36	8.40	7.88
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.90	8.90	8.64
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.66	9.69	9.12
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.75	8.83	8.89
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.09	9.30	8.87
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.18	9.30	9.11
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.16	9.30	9.09

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90337u1713 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The number of delinquent consumer loans at commercial banks remained stable during the third quarter and consumers appeared to be more cautious about using credit, the American Bankers Association said Monday.

The consumer credit delinquency rate was 2.56 percent at the end of September, almost unchanged from the 2.55 percent rate at the end of the second quarter and lower than the 2.88 percent rate in the year-earlier quarter.

The association noted a ''steady retrenchment'' in the growth of consumer credit during the quarter, a move reflecting a more cautious attitude among consumers toward borrowing.

''Consumers are well aware of the slowing economy and are making efforts to consolidate and repay debts, rather than take on new ones,'' said Robert Dugger, the association's chief economist.

Dugger said financially strong households are making more of an attempt to scale back debt than financially weaker ones.

Delinquencies among home equity lines of credit remained unchanged during the quarter at 0.80 percent and direct auto loan delinquencies decreased to 2 percent from 2.12 percent in the previous quarter.

Bank credit card delinquencies increased in the third quarter to 2.56 percent from 2.36 percent in the second quarter.

Arizona, Nebraska and South Dakota reported the lowest delinquency rates, the association said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices ($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	24.80-24.90	24.35-24.45

North Sea Brent	30.65-30.70	30.25-30.35
West Texas Intermed	29.15-29.25	28.80-28.90
Light Louisiana Sweet	30.35-30.50	30.05-30.20
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	74.75-75.00	77.85-78.10
No. 2 Heating oil	85.45-85.70	85.75-85.90
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	70.75-71.00	76.65-76.80
No. 2 Heating oil	82.55-82.70	85.70-85.95

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Stocks closed broadly higher Monday in active trading, with the gains said to be tied to hopes for lower interest rates after remarks by a member of the Federal Reserve Board.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which surged 40.84 Friday, rose 5. 94 to close at 2565.59.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 1.01 to 177.07 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index gained 1.88 to 324.10. The price of an average share added 18 cents.

Advances led declines 957-609 among the 2,010 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to 177,010,000 shares, compared with the 192, 348,870 traded Friday.

Stocks opened higher, and while the broad market retained its gains throughout the day, the rise in the blue-chip Dow industrials was largely lost by mid-morning to profit taking. Analysts said investors were moved to take profits by Defense Secretary Dick Cheney's comments in testimony before Congress early Monday.

Cheney cautioned congressional critics of the Bush administration's Persian Gulf policy there is no guarantee that waiting for sanctions to work will get Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's forces out of Kuwait.

Cheney said it would be ''far better for us to deal with him now'' when the international coalition is solidified against Saddam ''than it would be for us to deal with him five or 10 years down the road.''

Also weighing on the Dow, analysts said, was a sharp drop in AT&T, a key component of the average, after news of its unsolicited $90-a-share bid for NCR Corp.

''But the typical stock had a good day today,'' said Don Hays, director of investment strategy at Wheat, First Securities Inc. in Richmond, Va.

Hays attributed the strength to remarks by Federal Reserve Governor Wayne Angell in an interview with The Wall Street Journal. Angell said the Fed needs to bring down long-term rates in order to revive the economy, not just the short-term rates it controls.

''That fueled the perception that rates are coming down, inflation is bsiding, and that the Fed will be easing more in the weeks ahead,'' he said.

Also feeding hopes that rates are on the way down, Hays said, was news that the U.S. economy weakened for the second consecutive month in November, the National Association of Purchasing Management said Monday.

The Purchasing Managers' Index, which covers the manufacturing economy, fell to 41.3 percent from 43.4 percent in October, its lowest point since the trough of the previous recession in Nov. 1982.

On the trading floor, AT&T was the most active issue, plunging 2 to 30 1/8 on volume of more than 8 million shares after news of the bid.

NCR followed, catapulting 24 3/4 to 81 1/2 on news of the offer. First Bank System was third, up 5/8 to 12 7/8.

Among the other blue chips, IBM lost 5/8 to 113, Eastman Kodak rose 3/8 to 42 3/4, Woolworth gained 5/8 to 29 7/8, General Motors lost 1/2 to 36 1/8 and McDonald's jumped 1 3/8 to 29 1/2.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 211,462,410 shares, compared with 233,494,540 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices rose in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index added 0.81 to 302.68. Advances led declines 294-273 among the 810 issues traded. The price of an average share rose 2 cents. Composite volume totaled 18,103,550 shares vs. 14, 967,740 traded Friday.

Imperial Oil Class A led the Amex issues, up 1/4 to 51 3/4.

Continental Air was next, plunging 1 3/8 to 2, losing about a third of its value after filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection for the second time in seven years.

The carrier cited a 125 percent jump in the cost of jet fuel as the reason for the move, which it said would allow it to restructure its $2. 2 billion debt.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 2.25 to 361.31.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	177.40	176.58	177.07	up 1.01
Industrial	219.37	218.64	219.08	up 1.24
Transport	137.05	136.20	137.05	up 2.03
Utility	90.94	90.72	90.94	up 0.26
Finance	118.49	117.88	118.39	up 1.07

Equivalent to a gain of 18 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 177,010,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 448.89, up 0.65 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.79	9.43
Anchor Fund Inv	14.02	14.88
Delaware Mutual	16.88	18.10
Fidelity Fund	16.42	16.42
Investor Mutual	11.08	11.67
Investor Stocks	18.39	19.36
Investor Select	8.43	8.87
IDS Equity Plus	8.92	9.39
MFS Growth Stk	8.59	9.26
Nicholas Income	3.09	3.09
Utd Accumulated	6.17	6.74
United Income	16.80	18.36
Vang Wellington	16.36	16.36

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(DEC 3) - A powerful wintry storm pounded the Midwest with blizzard conditions Monday, knocking out power, tangling traffic and closing schools as it moved east, where flood warnings were in effect.

The weather may have been a factor in the collision of two Northwest Airlines jetliners on a foggy runway at Detroit Metropolitan Airport, killing at least 19 people and injuring 25 others. Officials said there were serious visibility problems at the time because of the fog.

Winds to 50 mph and heavy snow prompted the National Weather Service to post blizzard warnings for parts of Wisconsin and Michigan. Winter storm warnings were issued for most of the rest of the region.

By late afternoon, Madison, Wis., was covered with 16-inches of blowing and drifting snow. It was a record at that depth and the National Weather Service said up to five more inches of snow could fall before the storm stopped.

Dubuque in eastern Iowa had 14 inches of snow on the ground by midday and Carroll County across the Mississippi River in Illinois got 10 inches.

In Wisconsin, Gov. Tommy Thompson authorized closing state government offices in snow-bound areas, requiring only essential employes to report for work and officials considered closing campuses in the University of Wisconsin System. Madison was blanketed by nine inches of snow, forcing city and county offices to close.

City buses also were forced off the streets at rush hour and nearly all school districts in the southern half of the state closed for the day.

At a time when Christmas shopping was expected to make or break many small merchants, shopping malls around the city delayed opening.

Dane County Regional Airport closed while Milwaukee's Mitchell International Airport remained open despite delays.

A donated liver arrived at Froedtert Memorial Lutheran Hospital in Wauwatosa, Wis., Monday despite blizzard-like conditions. A 42-year-old critically ill Milwaukee-area woman underwent emergency transplant surgery.

The National Weather Service office felt the force of the storm when it knocked out power to an NWS office in the Chicago area for three hours.

''We went stone cold dead,'' NWS spokesman John Jameison said. ''Even the backup generator went out. Things have been pretty strange around here.''

Jameison said the weather reporting station an Meigs Airport on Chicago's lakefront reported winds gusting to 70 mph.

''Gusty winds do things to power lines,'' he said.

ComEd spokesman Jose Andrade said as many as 45,000 ComEd customers were without power from McHenry, Lake and northern Cook County to West Chicago, where six 12,000-volt lines were downed.

''That took out a good number of persons,'' Andrade said.

Power had been restored to all but 14,000 customers by 9 a.m.

Waves were reported at 14 to 18 feet on Lake Michigan and more than 80 flights had to be canceled at O'Hare International Airport between 5 a.m. and 7 a.m. so the runways could be plowed. Delays of 30 minutes to an hour were common.

Most roads in Jo Daviess County in northern Illinois were closed because of blowing and drifting snow.

Sheri King, dispatcher with the Nebraska State Patrol in Lincoln, where 5 inches fell, said the patrol is recommending no travel on Interstate 80 in southeast Nebraska because of ice and drifting snow.

''They ain't joking. It's slow, really icy,'' she said. ''Some people are sliding off the highway and they're just leaving their cars there. Some wrecker services won't go out in weather like this.''

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JUNEAU, Alaska (DEC. 3) UPI - Walter Hickel was sworn in Monday as Alaska's first Independent governor, but he invited Democrats and the Republicans he spurned to help him renew the frontier spirit in what he calls the ''north country.''

Hickel, who was elected on the anti-federal government Alaskan Independence Party ticket, warned in his inaugural address that Alaska will stand up for its rights against federal intervention.

''We're going to insist they play by our rules,'' said Hickel, who has noted he decided to run for governor after White House Chief of Staff John Sununu urged him not to enter the race against a Republican favored by the Bush administration.

''Alaskans are truly independent,'' Hickel told a crowd of 1,500 at his swearing-in ceremony. ''We like to stand our ground.''

''We are not awed by outside interests no matter how big they are or how big they think they are - whether those interests are large foreign fishing fleets resource industries, extreme outside lobbying groups or U.S. congressmen with guilty consciences because of the pollution in their city skies or environmental desecration in their own backyards,'' he said.

Hickel, 71, becomes the eighth governor of Alaska - 24 years after he was sworn in as second governor of Alaska in 1966, then as a Republican.

In January 1969, half-way through his term, Hickel resigned to join President Nixon's cabinet as Interior secretary, but was fired in November 1970 after criticizing Nixon for failing to listen to American youth protesting the Vietnam War.

A substantial conservative minority - 39 percent - elected Hickel over Democrat Tony Knowles, the former mayor of Anchorage, moderate Republican state Sen. Arliss Sturgulewski and environmentalist Jim Sykes of the Green Party.

Hickel concluded his brief inaugural speech by inviting ''all Alaskans to join us - Independents, Republicans, Democrats or whoever.''

Conservatives took center stage to see their candidate assume office.

The Rev. Jerry Prevo, president of the state Moral Majority, which represents the GOP religious right-wing that supported Hickel, gave a prayer of thanks for Hickel's election before the new governor spoke.

Hickel's first speech as governor combined a can-do, pro-development ''frontier spirit'' cheerleading with warnings that outside interests - especially the federal government - better not get in the way.

''Together we'll show the world how an owner state can be developed, and the environment not just protected, but enhanced,'' Hickel declared, calling Alaska ''an owner state'' because it owns most of its resources, including the oil that accounts for one-fourth of domestic production.

''Every one of us is part owner of this great country,'' Hickel told the crowd following his habit of referring to Alaska as ''a country,'' even though he does not subscribe to the views of the Alaskan Independence Party that the state become independent of the United States. He also refers to the state as ''the north country.''

Hickel, born in Claflin, Kan., grew up working on the family tenant farm and became a boxer, winning the Golden Gloves welterweight champion in Kansas in 1938. In 1940, when plans to go to Australia fell through, he went to Alaska, arriving with 37 cents in his pocket and began working odd jobs.

Hickel has since become one of Alaska's richest businessmen, building a real estate empire that includes shopping centers and a large Anchorage hotel. He was chairman of the Yukon Pacific Corp., which he founded to build a proposed $11 billion trans-Alaska natural gas pipeline, but resigned to run for governor.

At the urging of conservatives unhappy with the prospect of moderates and liberals on the ballot, Hickel declared his candidacy just seven weeks before the election, using his own wealth to pay for most of the $1-million-plus campaign.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - Saying Congress is on trial in the Keating Five hearings, Sen. Daniel Inouye delivered an impassioned defense of the accused senators Monday and suggested their home-state voters should ultimately decide on the propriety of the lawmakers' actions.

Testifying during the 10th day of hearings before the Senate ethics committee, Inouye, D-Hawaii, hailed the ''honesty'' and ''integrity'' of Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., John Glenn, D- Ohio, John McCain, R-Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich.

The senators are accused of improperly pressuring federal bank regulators to benefit savings and loan kingpin Charles Keating Jr., who gave the lawmakers $1.3 million in political contributions.

Meanwhile, the FBI refused comment on a published report that the agency has begun a criminal investigation of DeConcini and Cranston concerning alleged bribery and vote-trading. Both senators Monday strongly denied the report.

Inouye, a 28-year Senate veteran who served on committees investigating scandals such as Watergate and the Iran-contra affair, said he rejected the advice of his family and staff in interjecting himself in a matter in which he has no personal involvement.

''But I believe that what is on trial here is not the five colleagues of mine, but the United States Senate and for that matter the Congress of the United States,'' Inoye said.

He condemned as ''ridiculous'' the notion, presented by the committee's special counsel, that there is something improper about providing vigorous assistance to a constituent even if that person is an important financial backer. The only limits of constituent service, Inouye said, is that it be ''within the law.''

The committee is to decide whether the senators' actions broke any Senate rules of conduct.

Inouye strongly defended the senators, particularly DeConcini, the one on whom the influence-peddling accusations increasingly have focused.

''I have never found them to be wanting in honesty or integrity,'' Inouye said. ''They are men of unimpeachable character.''

Inouye suggested that the voters in the senators' home states should serve as the jury in the matter, with judgment day coming on election day.

Asked by special investigator Robert Bennett whether the hearings raised ''issues the voters should be deciding upon rather than this kind of a proceeding,'' Inouye said, ''It is not a question of whether the voters should (decide) because the voters will (decide).''

Inouye reacted to testimony by two federal bank regulators that DeConcini acted improperly during meetings on April 2 and April 9, 1987, by offering a deal on behalf of Keating's now-defunct Lincoln Savings and Loan of Irvine, Calif., involving withdrawing a regulation limiting risky S&L investments in exchange for Lincoln making more home loans. Inouye called DeConcini's conduct ''proper'' and said ''all of us'' in the Senate have made such proposals ''at one time or another.''

''If contributions are that evil, then I believe the whole (campaign finance) system should be changed,'' he said. ''For a long time I have advocated public financing, but very few in the Senate would support public financing.

''I am fortunate ... that I don't have to raise too much money ... a relatively small amount, so I don't have to go on these huge fund- raising safaris,'' Inouye added. ''But I feel sorry for many of my colleagues who have to do that.''

DeConcini was choked with emotion after Inouye's testimony, calling Inouye ''an American hero because he tells the truth and he doesn't mind taking the risks that are involved in telling colleagues that the Senate is on trial, not the five senators, and if there are problems, it's not these five senators, it's the Senate and the process.''

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MIAMI (DEC. 3) UPI - Eastern Airlines said Monday it received bankruptcy court approval to enter a joint real estate venture in Puerto Rico with an affiliate of Hyatt Hotels.

The agreement between Eastern's subsidiary Dorado Beach Development Inc. and

Cerromar Beach Corp., the Hyatt affiliate, calls for a large- scale development to be built in phases on the Puerto Rican coast west of San Juan.

The development is expected to include 540 homes and villas, an 18- hole golf course and country club resort complex on a 400-acre property bordering the Hyatt Dorado Beach and Cerromar Beach Hotels.

Eastern said it has owned a portion of the property since the early 1970s when it acquired the Dorado Beach and Cerromar Beach Hotels. The hotel properties were sold in 1975, but the airline retained 280 acres of land.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 3) UPI - Lockheed Corp.'s board of directors Monday rejected a $1.6 billion plan by Texas investor Harold Simmons to take the aerospace giant private, saying it doubts Simmons can raise the money.

Simmons, who holds nearly 20 percent of the company's stock and has been trying to gain control of Lockheed for nearly two years, had offered to buy the rest of the company's shares for $40 each by putting up $400 million in cash and $400 million in assets.

Lockheed would then use $800 million of its assets to finance the rest of the deal.

Since early last year, Simmons has suffered a paper loss of about $600 million on his acquisition of Lockheed stock, most of which was bought at more than $40 a share and has since plunged. The stock closed Monday at $30.25, down 37.5 cents on the New York Stock Exchange.

Simmons offered his plan because he cannot buy more than 20 percent of the stock without triggering the company's anti-takeover provisions.

Part of the idea behind Simmons' offer is that by privatizing Lockheed, the company would not have to pay more than $100 million in dividends to shareholders each year.

But the board, in rejecting the offer, said that such a deal would be disruptive to the company, which builds military aircraft, missile and space systems and has annual revenues of more than $5 billion.

''The major disruptions associated with pursuing this highly leveraged transaction, without a high probability of success, would be detrimental to all Lockheed shareholders,'' the board said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said Monday he does not think sanctions alone will work against Iraq's Saddam Hussein, and told congressional critics who want delays that stalling could be dangerous.

Cheney, delivering a blunt administration message meant both for Congress and for Saddam, told the Senate Armed Services Committee that time can weaken the international coalition arrayed against Iraq, and that further damage could occur to politically and economically fragile nations, permitting Iraq to bolster its military strength.

Asked by Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., if it were more likely than not that sanctions could work in a year or two, Cheney replied:

''My personal view is that given the nature of that regime, given Saddam Hussein's brutality to his own people, given his very tight control over that society, his ability to allocate resources for the military, their ability to produce their own food, basically, inside, that he can ride them out.''

''Those who would have us rely indefinitely on economic sanctions alone need to face the possibility that they will fail to achieve our aims. Such a failure will have very serious consequence and those consequences must also be faced,'' said Cheney.

President Bush, in Brazil Monday, noted the economic impact the crisis is having on the economies of nations like Brazil and Czeckoslovakia, making the point that many nations are suffering because of the crisis.

''That's why when people say to me that this can go on and on, I say no,'' Bush said in prepared remarks, ones designed like Cheney's to increase the pressure on Iraq and make clear to a restive Congress seeking delays why the admninistration is pushing forward.

The administration message did not sway a key senator, Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

He told Cheney, ''It is my feeling that we should be patient in applying military force, that we should give the sanctions an opportunity to weaken Saddam Hussein, so that if it becomes necessary to use the option of military force we will perhaps have saved some lives of American boys. ... I'm concerned that we don't have a consensus here in this country that would support a war.''

Cheney also said that he believes that it is within Bush's power to commit U.S. forces to battle without first asking Congress.

''I do not believe the president requires any additional authority from Congress before comitting U.S. forces to achieve our objectives in the Gulf.

The president made it very clear that he wants to consult extensively with the Congress on the subject,'' said Cheney.

In a related matter, the Pentagon said late Monday that Cheney signed an order on Dec. 1 authorizing the call-up of an additional 63,000 military reserve and National Guard troops. Cheney has now authorized the call-up of an estimated 188,000 reserve and guard forces, but only about half that number has been activated.

During the committee hearing, Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, made clear their belief there is no guarantee sanctions will bring Saddam to realize he must get out of Kuwait.

''The evidence is not all on the side of, we can wait indefinitely for sanctions to work,'' Cheney said. ''... We must not create a false dichotomy between sanctions and a military option. They are mutually reinforcing parts of a broad strategy to get Iraq out of Kuwait.

''It's important that we keep in mind the consequences if we fail,'' said Cheney. ''If Saddam wins, keeps Kuwait, the coalition falls apart, the economic sanctions don't work, we don't use military force ... then we've got a hell of a problem.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (DEC. 3) UPI - Making up lost time, the Columbia astronauts took manual control of a balky $50 million shuttle telescope mount Monday, gathering priceless data about the cosmos amid work to fix the computerized pointing system.

Mission manager Jack Jones said late Monday engineers were ''right on the threshold'' of solving a variety of problems with the European-built Instrument Pointing System, or IPS, allowing the crew to begin around-the-clock observations of the most violent stars and galaxies in the universe.

''People are working to solve the problem and we have confidence that we will solve it in a very short period of time,'' said NASA flight director Robert Castle. ''We've got a 10-day flight and we've still got a lot of time ahead of us.''

Chalking up the mission's first science observation, the Hopkins Ultraviolet Telescope, one of four instruments making up Columbia's ''Astro-1'' space observatory, recorded the spectrum of a galaxy in the constellation Canes Venatici that may harbor a voracious black hole at its hidden core.

''We're elated, everybody here is very happy,'' said principle investigator Arthur Davidsen. ''Everything is starting to go very well.''

Later in the day, X-rays from an ancient supernova were recorded along with the invisible untraviolet light from an especially hot star as the telescopes were manually guided from target to target by Columbia's crew.

The goal of the flight is to study high-energy X-rays and ultraviolet light from violent stars, exploding suns, energetic galaxies, quasars and other objects to learn more about the structure and evolution of the universe and the titanic forces that shape its destiny.

Unlike harmful UV radiation from the sun, ultraviolet light and X- rays from deep space cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

The only way to study such radiation is from space and to gather as much data as possible, Columbia's three ultraviolet telescopes required the computer-controlled IPS to efficiently track down and lock onto the desired targets.

Mission scientist Ted Gull said the unexpected work to get the balky IPS up and running would force scientists to sacrifice some of the more than 200 astronomical observations that had been scheduled for the 38th shuttle mission.

''We will not get all the science we want to get,'' he said, ''but we're certainly going to get some very nice science whenever the pointing starts to work.''

The four astronomers in Columbia's seven-man crew - Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, Robert Parker, 53, and civilians Samuel Durrance, 47, and Ronald Parise, 39 - successfully operated the Instrument Pointing System in a manual mode late in the day Monday amid work to calibrate the sensitive aiming device.

Working in the background, shuttle skipper Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, and flight engineer John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, kept the shuttle shipshape and pointed in the right direction.

Columbia's $150 million payload is made up of four telescopes mounted in the shuttle's 60-foot payload bay. Three instruments sensitive to ultraviolet light are mounted on the IPS while the fourth, the Broad- Band X-ray Telescope is mounted on its own pallet at the rear of the cargo hold.

The $50 million Instrument Pointing System, built in West Germany and first used during a 1985 shuttle mission, uses sensitive star trackers, gyroscopes and other complex electrical and mechanical systems to keep the telescopes it carries locked onto their targets as the shuttle races through space.

The problem for the Astro mission was twofold. One of three IPS star trackers was too sensitive and ''saw'' more faint stars in its field of view than had been planned for, preventing it from locking onto the proper guide stars.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The farm price index, dragged down by low corn, milk, hog and soybean prices, dropped to its lowest level of the year during November despite all-time high prices for steers and heifers, the government said.

The index is the government's measurement of price paid to farmers for their crops and livestock. The November reading of 145 was down 1 point from October and marked the fourth month in a row the index fell.

''The November soybean price was at the lowest level since July of 1989 while the all-wheat price was the lowest since August of 1987,'' the Agriculture Department said in a report released Friday. ''The corn price continued a downward trend which began in July.''

In addition, the wholesale price for milk, $12.80 per 100 pounds, down 40 cents since October, was the lowest since July 1989. Wool sold for the lowest price, 58 cents a pound, since January 1986.

''Steer and heifer prices were at an all-time record high, up 1 percent from the previous record of $80.20 (per 100 pounds) a month earlier,'' the department said, reporting an average price of $81 per hundredweight.

Hog prices averaged $49.70 per hundredweight in November, down $7.10 from October but still $4.70 higher than one year earlier.

Soybeans sold for an average of $5.51 a bushel in November, down 36 cents from October. However, peanuts were up 4.5 cents a pound to average 38.5 cents, their highest price since January 1981. Drought has slashed the size of the peanut crop.

Corn prices averaged $2.10 a bushel, down 9 cents from October and 14 cents below the November 1989 price.

Wheat sold for an average of $2.36 a bushel during November, 6 cents less than during October and $1.36 below the price in November 1989.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 3) UPI - The government should conduct a new round of research intowhether it is safe to drink milk from cows treated with a synthetic hormone, a consumer group said Tuesday, arguing an earlier conclusion was premature.

The Food and Drug Administration, which has yet to decide whether to approve bovine somatatropin for commercial use, ruled a few years ago there was no health risk from BST. It has allowed the sale of milk produced by cows that are subjects of field tests of the genetically engineered hormone.

But a branch of Consumers Union said there had been insufficient study on one of the intermediaries involved in use of BST. A researcher with Eli Lilly andCo., a developer of BST, called the argument old hat and already disproven.

''It appears that the opponents of biotechnology are raising the human health issue once again,'' the researcher, Dr. John Holcombe, said in a prepared statement. ''You can be assured that milk from BST- supplemented cows is safe for humans, young and old.''

Earlier this year the FDA said insulin-like growth factor, the intermediary cited by the consumer group, ''will have no adverse effect on consumers.''

The controversy, the latest in a long dispute over BST, came one day before the National Institutes of Health were scheduled to open a two- day hearing to gather consensus about BST.

A top FDA official has said the agency is unlikely to make a decision on BST during 1991.

Four U.S. companies are seeking government approval to sell the synthetic hormone, which could be the first major biotechnology product used by farmers.

''FDA should re-open its investigation of the human food safety of (BST) use '' the Consumer Policy Institute, a branch of Consumers Union, said. ''While conducting this investigation, FDA should rescind its decision to permit the sale of experimental milk from (BST)-treated herds.''

The Foundation on Economic Trends, led by Jeremy Rifkin, a longtime skeptic of biotechnology, petitioned the FDA to recall all BST-treated milk, to block further sale of it and to fund independent research on BST.

Consumers Union said it believed FDA did not have sufficient information about insulin-like growth factor to judge its potential impact.

In a research paper, the organization contended BST was unlikely to result in lower grocery-store prices for milk but could drive small dairy farmers out of business by triggering a flood of price-depressing surplus milk.

''Some mechanism should be established to research the potential economic and social impacts of new technology and assess the overall costs and benefits to society before a new technology is introduced,'' the paper said.

Monsanto, another developer of BST, said it was misplaced to mix scientific

and economic concerns. Although the company disputed the conclusion BST would hurt small farmers, it said the government has ''never kept safe, effective products from the marketplace ... on the basis of uneven economic effects.''

The FDA, in a rare step, published an article in a scientific magazine last summer to support its decision that BST is safe. It said BST and insulin-like growth factor were broken down in the digestive tract and that BST-treated milk contained only trace amounts of them.

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MONTREAL (DEC. 3) UPI - Canadian Pacific Forest Products Ltd. said Monday it will close its Quebec paperboard and packaging mills for separate two week periods over the Christmas holidays.

CP Forest spokesman Roger Hebert said the shutdowns were in response to weak demand for the products made at the mills.

The La Turque mill, which produces bleached pulp and bleached and unbleached paperboard, will suspend operations from Dec. 22 to Jan. 6. The pulp mill has an annual capacity of 165,000 tons while the paperboard operations have a capacity of 330,000 tons a year.

CP Forest's Matane mill, which produces corrugated medium, will be closed from Dec. 23 to Jan. 5. The mill has an annual capacity of 103, 400 tons.

CP Forest said the shutdowns were in line with the company's policy to ''tailor production to customer requirements''.

Hebert said CP Forest's newsprint mills at Gatineau, Quebec, Dalhousie, New Brunswick and Thunder Bay, Ontario remain closed due to strikes by members of the Canadian Paperworkers Union. He said there were no new developments.

The Gatineau and Dalhousie mills were struck in early September. The Thunder Bay mill was closed a month later. Some 3,600 workers have been affected.

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PANAMA CITY, Panama (DEC. 3) UPI - State and private sector unions announced Monday they will launch a 24-hour strike this week to protest mass layoffs of federal workers and the government's refusal to reimplement year-end bonuses.

Isaac Rodriguez, secretary general of the National Institute of Water Resources and Electicity Workers Union, told reporters workers from 68 unions were planning to walk off the job Wednesday. He said 25 of the unions were from the public sector.

The Panamanian government has declared the strike illegal and said it will deduct a day of wages for those who do not show up for work Wednesday.

The unions accuse the government of having layed off 20,000 public employees in its campaign to privatize national industries. The government said the number of workers let go was far fewer, but would not provide further details.

''The government ... has created a climate of terror in all of our organizations,'' the unions said in a joint statement. ''Month after month public employees are terrorized waiting for their pink slips that leave us out in the street without any rights, throwing all our years of work into the garbage can.''

Private sector unions attacked the government for refusing to reimplement year-end bonuses, which were suspended by former military ruler Manuel Noriega becuase of the country's drowning economy.

The unions also said the government has fired more than 390 union leaders, including all labor chiefs in Chiriqui, Veraguas, Cocle, Herrera and Los Santos provinces, and has dismantled 21 of 47 organizations of a public sector union federation.

They also charged the government has stolen union funds and not respected constitutional worker benefits.

Rodriguez said workers were planning a march Tuesday afternoon, which he said would indicate the amount of support for the strike.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 3) UPI - The Los Angeles Dodgers added another right-hander to its rotation Monday, signing free agent Kevin Gross to a three-year contract.

Gross, 29, joins starters Ramon Martinez, Tim Belcher and Orel Hershiser, who is coming back from surgery, and leaves the Dodgers still unsettled over left-handed free agent Fernando Valenzuela.

''We have a decision to make there,'' said Fred Claire, the Dodgers executive vice president and player personnel chief.

Gross is the second free agent signed by the Dodgers, joining outfielder Darryl Strawberry. The two lucrative deals leaves Claire without much to offer someone like Valenzuela.

''We haven't said we've closed the door, but we've taken two big steps,'' Claire said.

Gross finished the 1990 season with a 9-12 record and 4.57 ERA in 31 games, 26 starts, for the Montreal Expos. He was 1-0 with a 0.69 ERA in five relief appearances.

Overall, Gross struck out 111 batters and walked 65 in 163 1-3 innings pitched. Claude Osteen, a coach in the Dodgers' minor league organization, recommended Gross, Claire said.

''One thing you can't say is that he doesn't have talent,'' Los Angeles Manager Tommy Lasorda said.

A southern California native, Gross is 80-90 with a 4.02 ERA in eight major league seasons. He has pitched 29 complete games and thrown 11 shutouts in 221 career starts. Gross spent six seasons with the Philadelphia Phillies and the last two years in Montreal.

The Dodgers also announced catcher Luis Lopez, who led the Pacific Coast League in hitting with a .353 average, has been designated for assignment.

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(DEC. 3) UPI - A Northwest Airlines spokesman says at least 19 people were killed today when two of the carrier's jetliners collided at Detroit Metropolitan Airport in heavy fog. The crash involved a Boeing 727 and a D-C-9 which caught fire.

A Northwest spokesman says the 727 carried 146 passengers and 10 crew members and the D-C-9 had 39 passengers and four crew members. He says the 727 was a flight to Pittsburgh, while the D-C-9 was headed to Memphis, Tennessee.

Loyalist army troops in Argentina surrounded an infantry barracks seized by rebel forces and pounded it with artillery, forcing dozens of the rebels to surrender. The rebellion within the army erupted early today in Buenos Aires, when the rebels seized the army headquarters and the barracks.

Defense Secretary Cheney told Congress- and, indirectly Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein- that the world canNOT wait indefinitely for economic sanctions to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

The State Department says U-S and Iraqi officials have agreed that if face-to-face talks are held, they will involve only the two nations.

The Columbia shuttle crew is still having trouble with a telescope aiming system, putting them behind schedule on the observations scheduled for the 10-day astronomy mission. Officials, however, say they are confident the problem will be solved by tomorrow at the latest.

Oakland County Prosecutor Richard Thompson announced in Pontiac, Michigan, that the man called the ''suicide doctor'' has been charged with first-degree murder for helping a woman take her own life with his ''suicide machine.'' Thompson conceded, however, that it may be difficult to get a conviction against Dr. Jack Kevorkian.

The ''Day of the Big One'' arrived today along the New Madrid Fault line from Illinois to Mississippi, and some residents took cover. Others gathered for earthquake parties. The regular patrons of Hap's Bar in New Madrid, Missouri, gathered before dawn to begin a quake bash.

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#90337u2363 12/03/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 3) UPI - At least 19 people were killed and 25 others injured today when two Northwest Airlines jetliners collided at Detroit Metropolitan Airport. A Boeing 727 and a D-Coff runway when they collided, and the D-C out hulk with most of the top of the passenger compartment gone. Northwest says the 727 carried 146 passengers and 10 crew members and the D-C-9 was carrying 39 passengers and five crew. The collision occurred in heavy fog this afternoon.

The Argentine army says officers who launched a rebellion in Buenos Aires early today have surrendered. But T-V reports in the capital city indicate that loyalist troops are still coming under sniper fire. President Carlos Menem declared a state of siege after the rebellion began. The outbreak comes just two days before President Bush is to arrive in Buenos Aires on his week-long trip to South America.

President Bush and his aides said they have NO intention of changing the scheduled visit to Argentina. Bush is in Brazil... the first stop on his trip, where addressed a meeting of the Brazilian Congress today. The president called for bold thinking and strong wills to ensure what he called a ''new dawn in the New World.'' Bush hailed a tide of reform, which he said is changing the face of the hemisphere.

Secretary of Defense Cheney was on Capitol Hill today, delivering a message to congressional critics of Bush administration policy in the Persian Gulf... AND to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. Cheney says he does NOT think the economic sanctions alone will be able to force Iraq out of Kuwait. He says the longer the delay to wait for sanctions to do the job, the more dangerous the consequences.

The foreign ministers of Egypt, Syrian and Saudi Arabia met in Cairo today and agreed to step up their diplomatic efforts to get Iraq out of Kuwait before the January 15th deadline set in a U-N Security Council resolution. The new Arab initiative came as the Yemeni vice president flew to Amman for talks with

Jordanian officials. Yemen supports Iraq in the crisis.

The Russian Federation legislature voted today to legalize private land ownership in the huge republic... the biggest in the Soviet Union. Republic leader Boris Yeltsin hailed the action as historic and said it will enable the Russia to feed itself again. The vote allows individuals to own, buy and sell real estate for the first time since the 1930's, when Josef Stalin nationalized all land in the Soviet Union.

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#90337u2523 12/03/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 3) UPI - Two Northwest Airlines planes collided at Detroit Metropolitan Airport, killing at least 19 people and injuring 25 others. A Boeing 727 and D-Coff runway, and the D-C-9 burst into flames, leaving the aircraft a charred hulk with most of the top of the passenger compartment burned away. One official says the weather had to have played a part in the collision. The airport was shrouded in fog at the time.

Rebel army officers staged a lightning, pre-dawn strike at key Argentine military installations today, but loyalist forces had re-taken two of them in day-long skirmishes. At least six people died. Loyalist forces surrounded an army barracks and pounded it with artillery, forcing the rebels inside to surrender. Less than an hour later, the army said it had re-taken another rebel stronghold... a tank factory run by the Defense Ministry.

The foreign ministers of Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia announced a new diplomatic initiative today to try to end the Persian Gulf crisis before the January 15th deadline set in a U-N Security Council resolution. The three announced the action after a first round of talks in Cairo. Reports say the three nations will try to convince Saddam Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait before military force begins.

Defense Secretary Cheney told Congress today that dangerous consequences could come from a long delay to await results from economic sanctions against Iraq. Cheney told the Senate Armed Services Committee that he does NOT think sanctions alone will get Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. And he said waiting on the sanctions too long could wreck the multi-national unity now confronting Iraq.

Continental Airlines became a casualty of the Persian Gulf crisis today. The airline's parent company filed a Chapter 11 bankruptcy petition, saying it had to act because of skyrocketing jet fuel prices. Continental says its fuel costs have soared 125 percent since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2nd. It is the second Chapter 11 filing for Continental in seven years.

A Socialist-backed lawyer is the new president of Ireland... and the country's first woman chief executive. The inauguration of Mary Robinson was a mostly

military ceremony with church bells and a 21-gun salute. She replaces Patrick Hillery, who served in the largely ceremonial role for the past 17 years. Robinson promises to work for what she calls ''an open Ireland,'' a country that is tolerant and inclusive.

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#90337u2689 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - Authorities in Wayne County, Michigan, say weather was ''a very serious factor'' in today's collision between two Northwest Airlines jets at Detroit Metropolitan Airport. At least 19 people were reported killed and at least another 25 injured when a D-C-9 and a Boeing 727 collided on a foggy takeoff runway. All the dead were aboard the D-C-9, which burst into flames... leaving it a charred hulk with most of the top of its passenger cabin burned away.

Defense Secretary Cheney told lawmakers today he believes the U-N-imposed economic sanctions against Iraq WON'T force Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait. At a Senate Armed Services Committee hearing into U-S policy in the Persian Gulf, Cheney testified stalling is dangerous. He says time can only weaken the international coalition now amassed against Saddam.

President Bush today called for a new ''declaration of interdependence among American nations of the New World'' at the start of his South American goodwill tour. In a speech before the Brazilian Congress, Bush declared- ''Our thinking must be bold, our will resolute. '' Bush called for a common course in the Americas and he hailed a tide of reform- quote- ''transforming the face of this hemisphere.''

In Argentina, loyalist government troops have crushed a one-day military rebellion after a day of combat at three insurgent strongholds. President Carlos Menem declared a state of siege in the predawn hours shortly after rebels took over government military installations. Diehard rebels reportedly surrendered the army command headquarters late today just one hour before a deadline set by President Menem.

In Washington, the so-called Keating Five senators got a boost today from a colleague. Hawaii Democratic Senator Daniel Inouye vouched for his fellow senators in an impassioned defense of their character. Saying Congress is on trial in the Senate ethics committee hearing, Inouye hailed the ''honesty'' and ''integrity'' of Senators Alan Cranston of California, Dennis DeConcini of Arizona, John Glenn of Ohio, John McCain of Arizona and Donald Riegel of Michigan.

The four democrats and one republican are accused of improperly pressuring federal bank regulators on behalf of savings and loan kingpin Charles Keating Junior, who contributed to their political campaigns.

71-year-old Walter Hickel was sworn in today as Alaska's first Independent governor. Hickel was elected on the anti-federal government Alaskan Independence Party ticket... and warned in his inaugural address that Alaska will stand up for its rights against federal intervention. Hickel invited Democrats and the Republicans he spurned to help him renew the frontier spirit in what he calls the ''north country.''

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#90337u3042 12/03/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 3) UPI - Authorities revised the death toll in the near head-on collision today of two Northwest Airlines jets on the ground at Detroit's airport. Officials now say at least eight people were killed and eight others are still missing hours after the accident. Northwest earlier put the death count at 19.

A Northwest spokesman says a D-C-9 and a Boeing 727 collided on a takeoff runway. The 727 lifted away from the tarmac and its right wing struck the stationary D-C-9, ripping open the roof and hitting a rear engine, causing the plane to burst into flames. The 727 landed safely.

The Pentagon said late today Defense Secretary Cheney has signed an order authorizing the call-up of an additional 63-thousand military reserve and National Guard troops. That brings the total call- up of reservists to an estimated 188-thousand, but only about half has been activated.

Earlier today, Cheney told Congress that stalling to give economic sanctions more time to work against Iraq could be dangerous. He said it would give Iraq time to bolster its military strength and cause further political and economic damage to fragile nations.

President Bush today had high praise for Brazil, a country that ended 21 years of military rule five years ago. During a stop in Brasilia, Bush pledge the United States would support the country's transition to Democracy ''every step of the way.''

But Bush was quickly reminded that Latin America is still haunted by ghosts from its past by an outbreak of military unrest in Argentina, the third stop on his swing through South America this week. But Bush ruled out any immediate change in plans to go to Buenos Aires on Wednesday.

In Buenos Aires, the government said it crushed a coup attempt by rebellious soldiers. Troops loyal to President Carlos Menem blasted rebels into surrendering with artillery, fighter bombers and small arms fire. Reports say at least 12 people died and dozens were wounded.

Blizzard conditions swept the nation's midsection today as a powerful wintry storm pounded the area. It plastered Madison, Wisconsin, with 16 inches of

snow. The storm knocked out power, snarled traffic and closed schools as it moved east, where flood warnings are in effect.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 3) UPI - Russell Markert, founder and director of the high-kicking Radio City Rockettes until his retirement in 1971, has died at the age of 91.

Markert died at Waterbury Hospital in Connecticut on Saturday. He had been a resident of Heritage Village in Southbury, Conn., and left no survivors.

Markert, a native of Jersey City, N.J., was chief choreographer of the Rockettes from the day Radio City Music Hall opened until his retirement in 1971.

He estimated that during his career he trained and rehearsed about 2, 500 statueque women who were required to be 5 feet 5 inches to 5 feet 8 inches tall and who could kick at least 6 inches over their heads.

Last year, Markert's 90th birthday was honored by more than 400 people, Rockettes, former Rockettes and friends for the benefit of the Russell Markert Dance Scholarship at the Julliard School.

Markert was born on Aug. 8, 1899, in Jersey City. He began his professional career as a dancer on Broadway after World War I, and graduated from the chorus to dance director of the annual revue ''Earl Carroll's Vanities.

In 1925, Markert founded the precision dance company in St. Louis and named it the the Missouri Rockets. While touring in New York City, the group was spotted by S.L. ''Roxy'' Rothafel, who headlined them at the Roxy Theater as the ''Roxyettes.''

In 1932, they moved to the Radio City Music Hall and became the Rockettes.

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#90337x1658 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

TORONTO (NOV. 4) UPI - Police seized $17 million of cocaine and arrested 23 people connected to a Miami-based drug ring known as ''The Company.'' police said Monday.

The group supplied about one-third of the cocaine flowing into the province of Ontario in the past three years, police said.

The seizure and arrests were made over the weekend. During seizures and arrests in April, Toronto police acquired a gang ledger that detailed the

group's operations.

Undercover Toronto officers, working in conjunction with Montreal police and U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency officers, learned a truck with a hidden cargo space was headed for Canada on the weekend with 250 pounds of pure cocaine.

Police moved in as the truck was unloaded in Montreal.

Police say the group, operating as seven cells, sold about $3 million worth of cocaine in one six-week period.

Project Sombra II, begun last January, also alerted police to a South American group that was importing cocaine to Toronto's Pearson International Airport in false bottom suitcases.

An undercover police officer placed an order for cocaine with a ring leader, who was arrested in Toronto after police sent him a plane ticket so he could come and collect his money.

The ring leader and three couriers were arrested and several kilograms of cocaine were seized.

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#90337x1789 12/03/1990 ~Comtex

HOLLYWOOD (NOV. 4) UPI - ''Home Alone'' cleaned up at the nation's box office for the third consecutive week, humbling its competition with nearly $70 million in ticket sales since its release.

Written and produced by John Hughes, ''Home Alone'' grossed $14.4 million at 1,342 screens over the weekend and is moving toward crossing the $100-million benchmark by the end of the year, with a gross of $66.8 million in its first 17 days for Twentieth Century Fox.

Only 25 other movies in Hollywood's history have led the box-office for three straight weeks.

The film, starring Macaulay Culkin as a 9-year-old boy forgotten at home while his family jets off for vacation, fended off a strong challenge from the debut weekend of ''Misery, the latest Stephen King book to come to the screen.

''Misery,'' starring James Caan as a writer beset by a deranged fan, had plenty of company with a $10.1 million gross at 1,244 screens.

''Home Alone'' and ''Misery'' may face strong competition this weekend from Warner Bros.' debut of ''The Rookie,'' starring Clint Eastwood and Charlie Sheen.

Meanwhile, ''Three Men and a Little Lady,'' Disney's sequel to its hit ''Three Men and a Baby,'' fell from No. 2 to No. 3 with an $8 million weekend at 1,282 screens. The film, which boasts stars Tom Selleck, Steve Guttenberg and Ted Danson, has grossed $29.8 million in 12 days.

The critically acclaimed American Indian epic ''Dances With Wolves'' caught $7 million at 1,053 screens over the weekend, as it stayed in fourth place in its second week in wide release for Orion. The three- hour film, starring and directed by Kevin Costner, has grossed $24.4 million in its 24 days of release.

Fox's ''Predator 2'' dropped off sharply, scaring up just $4.1 million at 1,978 screens in its second weekend after a solid opening weekend. The sci-fi flick, starring Danny Glover and Gary Busey fighting an unstoppable alien, has grossed $19.7 million in 12 days.

Sylvester Stallone's ''Rocky V'' stumbled from fifth to sixth with a less-than-punchy $3.3 million weekend at 2,053 screens, off sharply from its first two weeks. The film, supposedly the last of the ''Rocky'' series, has grossed $32.1 million in 17 days.

Still another sequel, Disney's animated ''The Rescuers Down Under,'' came in seventh with $2 million in its third weekend at 1,237 screens.

Romance-mystery ''Ghost,'' the year's biggest hit, floated from No. 7 to No. 8 grossing $1.9 million at 1,528 screens. ''Ghost,'' one of only 10 films to post four No. 1 weekends, has grossed $198 million in 21 weeks for Paramount and should top the $200 million mark later this week.

Universal's ''Child's Play 2,'' the No. 1 flick just three weeks ago, came in ninth with a $1.3 million gross at 1,439 screens over the weekend.

Columbia's thriller ''Jacob's Ladder'' rounded out the top 10 with a $825,970 take at 1,094 screens for a 31-day gross of $23.7 million.

The top 10, weekend gross, total gross and weeks in release:

1. ''Home Alone,'' $14.4 million, $66.8 million, 3 weeks.

2. ''Misery,'' $10.1 million, 1 week.

3. ''Three Men and a Little Lady,'' $8 million, $29.8 million, 2 weeks.

4. ''Dances With Wolves,'' $7 million, $24.4 million, 4 weeks.

5. ''Predator 2,'' $4.1 million, $19.7 million, 2 weeks.

6. ''Rocky V,'' $3.3 million, $32.1 million, 3 weeks.

7. ''The Rescuers Down Under,'' $2 million, $11.8 million, 3 weeks.

8. ''Ghost,'' $1.9 million, $198 million, 21 weeks.

9. ''Child's Play 2,'' $1.3 million, $24.5 million, 4 weeks.

10. ''Jacob's Ladder,'' $825,970, $23.7 million, 5 weeks.

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#90338b0016 12/04/1990 ~Business Wire

KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint announced Tuesday a three- to five-year agreement with Rockwell International for voice, data and video services, tandem systems and a network management control center.

The agreement is valued at more than $35 million.

Rockwell International, based in El Segundo, Calif., is a $12 billion company. US Sprint will act as its prime contractor and integrator to combine Northern Telecom DMS-250 switches, an Ameritech network management control center and US Sprint's own network services.

The agreement, which covers all of Rockwell's divisions and subsidiaries nationwide, includes US Sprint Private Line(sm), the digital, dedicated-line service designed for large organizations with long distance usage between multiple locations; VPN(sm), US Sprint's software-based Virtual Private Network service for voice and data; 800 services, including inbound WATS service; and FONCARD(sm), US Sprint's travel card.

Dave Dorman, president of US Sprint's Business Market Group, said, ''The total network package is as user-friendly as any system in the marketplace, which is vital to telecom managers charged with decision making and purchasing. Our whole state-of-the-art network system relies on customized and integrated network solutions.''

''The technological synergy of the US Sprint network, which is based 100 percent on our DMS-250 systems, and a private network based on the same switching systems will provide Rockwell with a number of enhanced service capabilities in its hybrid public and private network,'' said Lou Lafferty, account vice president for US Sprint, Northern Telecom Inc.

Ameritech Information Systems Inc., is a subsidiary of Ameritech, formed in January 1989 to provide comprehensive, integrated systems solutions to meet the communications and information needs of large business customers. The 2,000-employee company is comprised of the Chicago headquarters and sales operations divisions in the five Ameritech states.

Ameritech is the Chicago-based parent of the Bell companies serving Illinois,

Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin, and several other information-related subsidiaries.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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#90338b0017 12/04/1990 ~Business Wire

LONG BEACH, CA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Strong distribution channels, solid name recognition and an industry trend toward mainstream consumer sales are the reasons for Pioneer Electronics (USA) Inc.'s entry into the cellular phone market, announced Tuesday by company executives.

''The profile of the cellular customer is evolving from business purchaser to individual consumer, making this an ideal time for Pioneer to make an aggressive entry,'' said Michael Townsen, vice president of car electronics marketing. ''The demographics of the cellular phone purchaser closely resemble those of the audio and video market, a segment Pioneer has been serving for 25 years.''

Pioneer will offer both mobile and hand-held phone models as well as a full line of accessories. The launch will be supported by trade and consumer advertising in the first quarter of 1991 and the products will be available to consumers by April.

The cellular phones will be sold exclusively through Pioneer's established channels of distribution. In addition to strong distribution channels, Pioneer also offers consumers excellent technical and service support already in existence.

''Pioneer is a name consumers trust,'' said Townsen. ''Our name brand equity and tradition of offering quality products at a reasonable price will give us a competitive advantage.''

Manufactured in the United States, Pioneer cellular phone models PCM-500,

PCM-300 and PCH-600 feature the latest cellular technology and a cosmetic design that complements modern vehicle interiors.

With headquarters in Long Beach, Pioneer Electronics is the leader in car audio electronics.

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#90338b0018 12/04/1990 ~Business Wire

DENVER (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Hamilton Oil Corp. Tuesday announced the declaration of its regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.4875 per share of its Series A preference stock.

The dividend will be paid on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record as of the close of business of Dec. 14, 1990.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Ronald C. Pohls has been elected vice president-personnel of McKesson Corp.

Pohls, 55, joined the company in 1972 as director of personnel for McKesson Drug Co. Prior to that he was personnel director of the Coty Division, Pfizer Inc. Earlier he served as an industrial relations supervisor with Union Carbide Corp. Earlier this year he was named staff vice president on the corporate staff.

Pohls is a 1957 graduate of Colgate University and pursued graduate studies at Marshall University.

Pohls succeeds James Johnston, 63, who has retired from McKesson Corp. after 18 years of service. Prior to joining McKesson, Johnston, a 1949 graduate of U.C. Berkeley, spent 15 years with the Monsanto Co.

In addition to his corporate responsibilities, Johnston has served as chairman of the National Conference Board's Organization and Management Council and the Executive Committee of the Federated Employers of San Francisco.

He is also the co-author of ''Organization Planning,'' a personnel handbook. Johnston and his wife Marjorie reside in San Rafael, Calif.

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#90338b0042 12/04/1990 ~Business Wire

BOULDER, COLO (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Vac-Tec Systems Inc. announced Tuesday that it has been advised by its majority shareholder, Amdura Corp., that Amdura is evaluating, as part of its plan of reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, a number of options relating to its investment in and loans to Vac-Tec, including exercising its existing conversion and warrant rights to increase its equity ownership in Vac-Tec up to approximately 77 percent and exchanging all or a part of its loans for additional Vac-Tec equity.

Amdura currently owns 57 percent of Vac-Tec's outstanding common stock and, in addition, holds Vac-Tec's Series I and Series II convertible preferred stock and three warrants, which if converted and exercised would increase Amdura's ownership of Vac-Tec's outstanding common stock to approximately 77 percent. Dividends have not been paid on the preferred stock and could be converted to additional shares of common stock.

As of Oct. 31, 1990, $11,239,780 was due and owing under a promissory note issued by Vac-Tec and secured by all of Vac-Tec's assets. Amdura is currently not collecting interest or principal on the indebtedness owed to it by Vac-Tec.

Amdura has advised Vac-Tec that it has not reached a decision with respect to conversion of preferred stock or exercise of warrants held by Amdura. In addition Vac-Tec added that no agreement has been reached with Amdura with respect to exchange of all or any portion of Amdura's loans for additional Vac-Tec equity.

On April 2, 1990, Amdura Corp. and its hardlines distribution subsidiaries, including Amdura National Distribution Co. and Coast to Coast Stores Inc. filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy code in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Denver. Vac-Tec was not included in the filing and is not in bankruptcy.

Vac-Tec Systems Inc. manufactures vacuum coating equipment, used to apply thin films of metal, metal compounds, ceramics and other materials on a wide range of consumer, industrial and micro-electronic products.

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#90338b0049 12/04/1990 ~Business Wire

MENLO PARK, CA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - SangStat Medical Corp. of Menlo Park, and the Centre de Transplantation d'Organes in Nantes, France, have formed a joint venture focused on the research and development of therapeutic products to increase the success of organ transplantations.

As part of the joint venture agreement, SangStat has established a French subsidiary company, Lynatech.

The Centre de Transplantation d'Organes is world renowned for its expertise in performing organ transplantations and conducting research leading to valuable transplant therapies. SangStat is a young biomedical company that has developed proprietary technology demonstrating potential as a targeted therapy for suppressing certain immune system functions in transplant patients.

Under the terms of their joint venture relationship, the two organizations will pool their resources to produce novel immunosuppressive products.

SangStat's new French subsidiary, Lynatech, will be housed at the Centre de Transplantation d'Organes. This location will enable Lynatech to interact directly with the transplant center's large clinical operation, which performs several hundred organ transplantations each year, and with the center's sizable scientific staff, which is renowned for its research on immunosuppression and the protection of transplanted tissue.

The company president will be Maryvonne Hiance, a partner of Atlanpole, a French venture capital firm controlled by the city of Nantes.

SangStat Medical Corp. is a privately held biomedical company founded in late 1988 to develop and commercialize novel monitoring and therapeutic products for the cell typing and organ transplant markets. The following is a brief overview. Immune Cell Typing and Transplant Monitoring Products

In the field of organ transplantation, the procedures for determining donor tissue compatibility and for monitoring patients post-surgery are very complex requiring sophisticated laboratory personnel and hours of time.

SangStat's goal is to replace these procedures with easy-to-use screening systems that are instrument-free and highly sensitive. Company products are based on proprietary TRANSTAT technology. They typically use whole blood (Sang) and are designed to provide results rapidly (Stat).

SangStat already is marketing four immunoassay test systems using monoclonal antibodies and proprietary membrane technology for immune cell typing. Future products will employ membrane and synthetic peptide technologies to analyze donor-to-patient tissue compatibility, monitor immune system responses to transplanted organs, and guide post-surgery immunotherapy.

SangStat was founded by Philippe Pouletty, M.D., and David Rammler, Ph.D. Laboratory, manufacturing and administrative offices are located in the San Francisco Bay Area city of Menlo Park. Venture capital funding has been provided by Athena Ventures, EuroAmerica, IAI Venture Capital Group and Sequoia Capital.

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REDWOOD CITY, CA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - ReMACS, the leader in automated restaurant back office management systems, announces a 30-day satisfaction guarantee, effective Monday (Dec. 3), for all ReMACS software systems.

ReMACS will be the only major developer in the industry to provide this offer.

This guarantee is applicable to all ReMACS software that is purchased along with ReMACS Training and Support Services. It covers all software products and non-rendered services for 30 days from the date of initial installation.

''Consumers want to be assured of the products they are purchasing. This guarantee is a statement of our system reliability and our commitment to customer satisfaction,'' said David Douglas, president of ReMACS. ''Software systems are difficult to test drive prior to purchase, so we want to ensure a potential customer can be confident about our commitment to their future.''

ReMACS software systems address the areas of cost control, Point of Sale communications, financial control and labor management with specific applications for full service, quick service and hotel/resort operations.

ReMACS, which is an acronym for Restaurant Management and Control Systems Inc. was founded in 1983 and has over 4,000 installations. ReMACS is headquartered in Redwood City with 10 regional offices located in the continental United States and Canada.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Alaska Airlines, a subsidiary of Alaska Air Group Inc. (NYSE, PSE), reported Tuesday that its November traffic increased 3 percent to 347.2 million revenue passenger miles (RPMs) from the 337.0 million flown a year earlier.

The passenger load factor (the percentage of available seats occupied by fare paying passengers) for the month was 51.5 percent, down from 54.5 percent in November 1989.

Capacity during November was 673.5 million available seat miles (ASMs), 9 percent above the 618.6 million in November 1989. The airline carried 431,300 passengers in November, compared to 412,400 in November 1989.

For the 11 months ended November 1990, revenue passenger miles totaled 4.093 billion, an 11 percent increase from the 3.686 billion recorded a year earlier. The passenger load factor for the 11 months ended November 1990 was 53.5 percent, down from 55.3 percent for the prior year.

Capacity for the 11 months ended November 1990 increased 15 percent to 7.656 billion, up from 6.665 billion in 1989. The airline carried 4,978,000 passengers, compared to 4,568,000 in 1989.

Horizon serves 34 cities in five states and Canada.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Metrobank (ASE:MBN) Tuesday announced that the board of directors has declared an increase in its stated cash dividend policy to 36 cents per share of common stock, payable at 9 cents per share per quarter.

This increased dividend will be effective with the next regularly scheduled payment date of Jan. 20, 1991, for shareholders of record as of Jan. 1, 1991. The bank's previous policy was 32 cents annual cash dividend, payable at 8 cents per quarter.

Founded in 1979, Metrobank has its headquarters in Westwood, and, as one of Southern California's major mid-sized business banks, operates regional head offices in Newport Beach, San Diego, San Fernando Valley and Torrance. The bank specializes in banking services for small- to medium-size companies and professional entities.

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SALT LAKE CITY (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Broadcast International Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:BRIN) and CheckRite International Inc. jointly announced Tuesday the successful completion of the merger of a Broadcast acquisition subsidiary with CheckRite, whereby CheckRite has become a wholly owned subsidiary of Broadcast.

At separate shareholder meetings held on Dec. 3, the shareholders of Broadcast and CheckRite approved the merger and related transactions.
In connection with the merger, the shareholders of CheckRite will receive up to an aggregate of 672,004 newly issued shares of Broadcast common stock in exchange for all of the issued and outstanding common stock of CheckRite.

The merger also contemplates that Broadcast will obtain additional equity funding of not less than $5.3 million pursuant to its recently announced underwritten offering, a private placement with its majority shareholder or an alternative source of financing.

Broadcast installs, operates and provides in-store point-of-purchase advertising, background music and other point-to-multipoint communications services via private satellite communications systems.

CheckRite provides check recovery, check verification data and related services to retail merchants. CheckRite's company-owned and franchised offices serve merchants in twenty-four states located primarily in the western two thirds of the United States.

Broadcast common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol BRIN.

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PALO ALTO, CA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Co. Tuesday told securities analysts that it anticipates moderate growth in 1991, given the current worldwide economic and political outlook, and that it will continue focusing on increasing profits this fiscal year.

The company noted encouraging trends in the fourth quarter on which it hoped to build: increasing orders for workstations, good acceptance of the company's new high-end minicomputers, continued growth in the laser-printer market, and strong order growth for analytical and service-and-support businesses.

Orders in November, the first month of the 1991 fiscal year, continued the fourth quarter trend, HP noted. (The company did not quantify order growth.)

John A. Young, HP president and chief executive officer, said improving profit is one of the top priorities for the company in 1991.

Market-driven forces -- such as the growing portion of HP computer sales though dealers and other volume purchasers who receive higher discounts -- have driven up cost of goods sold as a percent of sales and put pressure on HP's profit margins, Young said.

Consequently, the company will continue to emphasize slowing the growth of operating expenses and increasing revenue. Young said the company's new organizational structure, announced two months ago, will help speed decision-making and focus resources.

Lewis E. Platt, HP executive vice president with responsibility for the Computer Systems Organization, described the company's HP 9000 and HP 3000 businesses as ''strong'' and the outlook for 1991 as ''positive.''

Platt noted that orders for HP 9000 multiuser computers based on a UNIX system grew by more than 60 percent from fiscal 1989, and orders for HP 3000 multiuser computers were up 10 percent year-to-year.

Richard C. Watts, worldwide sales and distribution manager for the Computer Products Organization, said that HP continues to strengthen its position in the laser-printer market, despite slowing in the growth of the market. In addition, he said HP is exploring new directions for its laser-printer technology.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $13.2 billion in its 1990 fiscal year.

UNIX is a registered trademark of UNIX Systems Laboratories Inc. in the U.S.A. and other countries.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - With the successful acquisition of Ingres Corp., ASK Computer Systems Inc. is positioned to ''lead the development of a new generation of business software required for 'client-server computing' -- the computer industry's biggest market opportunity of the 1990s,'' the chief executive officer of ASK told financial analysts in New York today.

''Every piece of software needs to be rewritten for the nineties,'' Sandra Kurtzig, chief executive officer of the Mountain View, Calif. company told the New York Society of Securities Analysts. ''The Ingres acquisition completely repositions ASK, giving us access to the industry's best database technology and development tools.

Kurtzig said that details regarding the merger were complete, and ASK had already made cost reductions totaling $15 million per year to support continued profitability.

Kurtzig said that development was already underway for future products from the combined company which will reflect advanced client-server technology. She concluded with an outline of the plan ASK is implementing to successfully integrate the two software leaders. Elements for Leadership in ''Client-Server Computing''

Industry analysts forecast that the market for client-server business computing solutions will grow at a double-digit rate. Client-server computing is the framework which allows software developed in accordance with agreed standards to operate across different hardware platforms.

The $60 million equity investments from HP and EDS that facilitated the $112 million Ingres acquisition also strengthened ASK's relationships and lead to major new revenue opportunities through sales and marketing agreements.

In addition, ASK is currently one of the largest marketers of application software for HP, IBM and Digital Equipment Corp. platforms. EDS has chosen ASK as the primary manufacturing application system it recommends for major systems integration jobs.

INGRES is the leading relational database for the UNIX market, through its availability on 40 platforms including Sun, HP, DEC and IBM workstations.

Since September, 30,000 units of INGRES have shipped as DEC Ultrix. Since March, 10,000 units of INGRES have shipped with SCO Open Desktop from Santa Cruz Operation -- the leading UNIX solution for industry-standard 386 and 486 personal computers.

ASK Computer Systems is a leading provider of management information systems, relational databases and application development tools. On Oct. 19, it completed its tender offer for Ingres Corp., of Alameda. With nearly $400 million in annual revenue, the new corporation is poised to become a leading

provider of client-server computing solutions.

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IRVINE, CA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - AST Research Inc. (NASDAQ:ASTA), a leading worldwide manufacturer of high-performance personal computers, Tuesday announced its expansion in the Pacific Rim with the establishment of sales offices in Singapore and Taiwan.

''The opening of AST's Singapore and Taiwan offices reflects the company's commitment to the Pacific Rim's personal computer marketplace and its continued global strategy to gain worldwide market share,'' said Tom Yuen, AST's chief operating officer.

The offices will provide distributors and dealers with educational, technical, marketing and sales support. They will work closely with local dealers and distributors to develop pricing and distribution strategies specifically for the region.

In a related Pacific Rim activity, the company announced in October the appointment of the first three Japanese firms to distribute a high-performance dual-compatible personal computer designed specifically for the Japanese marketplace.

The firm's DualStation 386SX/16 personal computer is the first dual system to function in both the MS-DOS and NEC 9801 personal computing standards.

At the fall 1990 Comdex computer show, AST introduced new entries to the portable computing marketplace with its line of notebook computers. The portable systems weigh 6.5 pounds, including battery, and combine the functionality of a desktop computer with an advanced technological package at an extremely competitive price.

The AST Premium Exec 386SX/20 and Premium Exec 286/12 are the industry's first upgradable notebooks and range in price from $2,495 to $3,395.

AST also recently brought affordable 486 microprocessing power to the general user with the introduction of its Bravo 486/25. Priced at $3,995, Bravo 486/25 is a unique, highly integrated system design packaged in a small-footprint chassis.

AST manufactures personal and notebook computers, enhancement and data communication products. Its dual-brand product line, which features the Premium and Bravo families, allows users to choose from a full range of price and performance options. AST is represented in 89 countries and operates 28 subsidiaries and sales offices worldwide.

According to InfoCorp, an industry research firm, AST ranked third in U.S. dealer channel sales of 386-based systems from January through October. InfoCorp also placed AST third in worldwide sales of 486-based systems.

The company reported record fiscal 1990 annual sales of $534 million. Its first-quarter sales for fiscal year 1991 were a record $136.3 million compared with sales of $114.5 million for the first quarter of fiscal year 1990. AST Research's stock closed at $27 on Nov. 29 for a 52-week high.

AST Research corporate headquarter are located at 16215 Alton Parkway, P.O. Box 19658, Irvine, Calif. 92713-9658; telephone: 714/727-4141 and FAX: 714/727-9355.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Franson & Associates Inc., one of the largest independent public relations agencies serving technology-based firms and related organizations, has acquired Public Affairs Service Inc. (PAS), of Washington D.C.

PAS is an agency specializing in public policy communication and lobbying for similar corporations and organizations. It is run by Ken Hagerty, the electronics industry's best-known lobbyist.

The merged company is now called Franson, Hagerty & Associates Inc. Hagerty is senior vice president and director of public affairs, and also serves as manager of the Washington D.C. office.

Paul Franson continues as president. Both Franson and Hagerty were chosen among the 100 most influential people in Silicon Valley by the San Jose Mercury News article in 1987.

Hagerty has more than 20 years of legislative and regulatory experience in both government and the private sector. Before forming his firm three years ago, he served as the Washington D.C.-based government affairs vice president of the American Electronics Association (AEA), where he became the AEA's chief lobbyist in Washington.

Hagerty introduced grass roots lobbying to the electronics industry and put the industry on the legislative offensive. He managed the development and enactment of the industry's most significant legislative initiatives, including the Steiger capital gains tax reduction of 1978, the original R&D tax credit and the incentive stock option.

Hagerty also spent four years as the deputy for congressional relations at the White House Office of Management and Budget, and was a legislative assistant in the U.S. House of Representatives and a contract negotiator for NASA. He is an attorney and a registered lobbyist.

Public Affairs Services offers its clients lobbying, political support programs, policy-oriented public relations and development of in-house government affairs capabilities.

In addition to public affairs programs, the acquisition enhances the agency's ability to help clients market commercial products to federal government agencies. The merger also adds an East Coast office to complement Franson's offices in Silicon Valley and Southern California, and the agency's European association with Pierre Braude Associates.

Franson & Associates was founded in 1980 by Paul Franson, a former electronics industry and business journalist and corporate public relations professional.

Franson, Hagerty & Associates Inc. provides corporate, marketing, financial and policy communications for technology-based corporations, financial services firms and industry associations. The firm has headquarters at 181 Metro Drive, Suite 300, San Jose, CA 95110, 408/453-5220.

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MILPITAS, CA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - As a result of softening sales in the current economic enivronment, combined with continued aggressive product development in VXIbus instrumentation, EIP Microwave Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:EIPM), reported that it is taking two actions.

First, in order to provide additional funds for development projects, the company is discontinuing the payment of quarterly cash dividends.

Second, the company is investigating opportunities for strategic partnering, which may include equity funding.

EIP Microwave manufactures high-frequency test and measurement instruments,

which are predominantly used in the defense and telecommunications industries. The company has manufacturing facilities in Milpitas, and maintains corporate offices in Newport Beach.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - A $17 million contract has been awarded to Litton by Vauxhall Motors of England, one of General Motors' European subsidiaries.

Under the contract, Litton will provide an automated material handling and control system for Vauxhall's recently expanded 1.3 million-square-foot parts distribution warehouse in Luton, England.

Litton's Material Handling division, Hebron, Ky., will design, install and integrate the system to automate the movement, storage, management and control of Vauxhall spare parts received by truck in bulk quantities.

The Litton project is scheduled for completion early in 1992.

The computer-controlled storage and retrieval system will include a 10-aisle, 65-foot-high, rack-supported operation designed to handle parts loads from three to eight feet long and weighing up to 1,650 pounds.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems for U.S. and world markets.

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VANCOUVER, B.C. (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The management of Academy Resources Ltd. is pleased to announce to their shareholders that the preliminary review of core obtained to-date from the exploration program currently underway at the company's Gold Hill (MR) claims, Yukon Terr., (as reported by the company's consulting geologist) indicated that a significant epithermal gold environment has been discovered on the property.

The initial drill holes, designed to test the cause of a geochemical anomaly earlier located in a major structural setting, intersected geological units

characteristic of other established epithermal gold camps. Sections of green chalcedonic quartz breccia up to 12 feet wide were returned from hyrothermally altered and brecciated andesite volcanic host rock. The volcanic units have been subject to multiple staged silification and hydro-thermal brecciation and include chlorite, hematite and clay alteration phases.

Fine-grained sulphides, including pyrite, pyrohoties and galena are present interstitialy in chalcedonic breccia zones.

The drill program is progressing favorably and sections of core will be selected for analysis shortly.

No securities commission or stock exchange has either approved or disapproved the contents of this news release.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Xilinx Inc. (NASDAQ:XLNX), the inventor and leading supplier of field programmable gate arrays (FPGAs), Tuesday introduced the first members of its third generation XC4000 Family.

The XC4005, XC4006, XC4008 and XC4010 incorporate several system-level functions on-chip to provide the industry's highest performance FPGAs.

Xilinx Tuesday also began shipping The XACT 4000, a completely redefined computer-aided engineering development system that delivers 100 percent placement and routing of designs.

''Combined with the performance breakthroughs of our new FPGAs, the new development software furthers the company's position as the industry standard for logic development,'' said Wes Patterson, chief operating officer of Xilinx.

''The advent of the XC4000 Family extends our technology leadership and delivers performance to system designers that no other supplier can match,'' Patterson said at a media conference at the company's worldwide headquarters in San Jose.

''We're not merely adding gates, but are providing what the engineer of the 90s wants -- price/performance solutions to their system design needs.''

According to industry analyst Raj Rajaratnam of Needham & Co., there are more than 200,000 system designers who are now candidates for Xilinx products. ''The XC4000 Family has the potential to deliver programmable solutions for many gate array applications well into the 1990s.'' 100 PERCENT PERFORMANCE

IMPROVEMENT

The first XC4000 devices address the heart of the gate array market with system speeds up to 60 MHz and a density range of 5,000 to 10,000 usable gates. Working closely with its customers during the design of the new generation of FPGAs, Xilinx focused the XC4000 Family on faster system speed and increased logic integration -- the top two requirements from system designers.

A 100 percent performance increase was accomplished by integrating seven unique system features onto the chip for the first time, including on-chip memory, high-speed counters and decoders as well as JTAG boundary scan logic. Additionally, moving to a sub-micron CMOS manufacturing process at AT&T and Seiko Epson provided a significant overall performance boost.

Designers with an existing Xilinx development system can upgrade to The XACT software for $1,750 on PCs and $3,300 on workstations. For new users, The XACT 4000, which includes XC2000, XC3000 AND XC4000 support, lists for $7,990 for PCs with the VIEWlogic or DASH schematic editors. The package on workstations lists for $14,450 to $15,950, depending on schematic editor and simulator interfaces.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Atmel Corp. and Texas Instruments have announced the development of functionally compatible electrical specifications for 256K-bit single-voltage flash memories.

These specifications will offer system designers two manufacturing sources for single 5-V flash memories.

Flash memories are being used in a growing number of applications such as automotive systems, instrumentation, embedded controllers, military equipment and remote installations requiring in-system program update.

The functionally compatible electrical specfications cover the 28-pin TM29F256 and 32-pin TMS29F259 Flash E2PROMs by Texas Instruments and the 28-pin AT29C256 and the 32-pin AT29C257 Flash E2PROMs by Atmel.

The TI and Atmel flash memories use a single 5-V power supply for program, erasure and read operations. This is in contrast to 12-V flash memories which require dual power supplies for these operations. The 5-V devices do not require an external high-voltage, high-current power supply.

System designers have found 5-V flash memories easier to use because of an internally timed programming algorithm that performs a full chip erase and write operation. Some 12-V flash memories can require up to four minutes for a full chip erase and write operation.

Additionally, 5-V flash memory devices require about one-fifth as much software code as 12-V flash memories. When designed into a system, the single 5-V power supplies reduce the cost, size and weight of the system.

Atmel was the first manufacturer to ship a 5-V flash when it introduced its AT29C256 in late 1988. The AT29C256 has been designed in at many companies in such areas as medical instrumentation, industrial controls and computer peripherals. The 1 Megabit AT29C010 will be sampled in early 1991 and will be in full production in the first half of 1991. A module version of the 1 Megabit device, the AT29MC010, is available now in a dual in-line package.

TI first predicted that 5-V Flash E2PROM would be a major non-volatile product technology for the 90s in early 1989. Since the development of the first generation 256K 5-V Flash E2PROM, a 1 Megabit 5-V device has been announced which will be in volume production in the first half of 1991.

Texas Instruments Inc., with headquarters in Dallas, is a high-technology company with sales and operations in more than 30 countries. TI develops, manufactures and markets semiconductors, defense electronic systems, software productivity tools, computer systems, industrial automation and control systems, electronic controls, metallurgical materials and consumer electronics products.

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MONTREAL (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of BCE Mobile Communications Inc. (TSE,ME:BCX.) has elected W. Brian Hewat, 54, of Ottawa, Ontario as chairman of the board, effective Tuesday.

Hewat succeeds Charles Sirois, a founder and a major shareholder of the corporation, in the capacity of chairman. Sirois remains on the board of directors.

''I am extremely proud of the progress that BCE Mobile has made over the past three years and I am confident that the company will continue to lead the industry,'' said Sirois. In explaining the move, he said, ''This change will permit me to spend more time with my other increasing business interests. However, I will continue to play a key role in BCE Mobile's future as a member

of the executive committee, as a director and through my shareholdings.''

Hewat has been executive vice-president, marketing of Bell Canada for the past seven years. He is a director of several companies including Bell-Northern Research Inc., Bell Canada International Inc., Telecom Canada and Memotec Data Inc. He brings to BCE Mobile some 30 years of experience in telecommunications.

Also effective Tuesday, Henri A. Roy, senior vice-president, corporate of BCE Inc. joined the BCE Mobile board of directors. Hewat and Roy succeed Claude Duhamel and Franois Paradis, who have served on the board since the corporation's inception.

BCE Mobile is the Canadian leader in mobile communications. Its diversified activities include cellular telephone, paging, telephone answering and private radio services integrating communications and information systems technology. The principal subsidiaries of BCE Mobile are Bell Cellular Inc., National Pagette Ltd. and Bell Radiocommunications Inc. BCE Mobile is a subsidiary of BCE Inc.

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EUGENE, OR (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Bohemia Inc. (OTC: BOHM) has approved in principle a restructuring of the company, including, as a first step, the sale of the company's California operations.

Richard D. Tinney, president and chief executive officer, said that management will begin immediately exploring the sale of the company's businesses in northern California, which include a medium density fiberboard plant in Rocklin; a sawmill and co-generation plant in Lincoln; a sawmill in Grass Valley; and related timberlands. The California operations accounted for $85 million, or 24 percent, of total corporate sales for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1990.

Tinney said that the proposed sale or sales would be subject to further approval of the board of directors and other conditions.

Tinney said that the board's action resulted from the work of a strategic planning committee of the board appointed last May to consider alternatives for maximizing value for the company's shareholders. He said that the board's action also contemplates the possible sale or other disposition of some or all of the company's Oregon operations, but that no specific plans have been formulated.

''We believe that the financial interests of our shareholders will be best served by realization of the fair value of our assets if that can be accomplished under current conditions, and distribution of the proceeds to shareholders,'' he stated.

Bohemia, established in 1916, operates wood products manufacturing plants in Oregon and northern California.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - TIS Mortgage Investment Co. (NYSE: TIS) Tuesday declared a dividend of 32 cents per share for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990, payable on Jan. 14, 1991, to stockholders of record as of Dec. 31, 1990.

This is the company's fifth consecutive quarterly dividend of 32 cents per share. In the first three quarters of 1989, the company declared and paid dividends of 30 cents per share.

As a real estate investment trust ("REIT"), TIS Mortgage Investment Co.'s dividends are based on taxable income calculated under the internal revenue code and not on book income which is computed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Taxable income in each quarter of 1989 and 1990 exceeded the amount of dividends declared and paid.

TIS Mortgage Investment Co. is a San Francisco-based REIT which invests in various mortgage assets, including Residual Interests in Collateralized Mortgage Obligation (CMO) Bonds. The company commenced operations on Aug. 26, 1988.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Norcen Explorer Inc., the wholly owned U.S. operating subsidiary of Norcen Energy Resources Limited, announced Tuesday the results of the third consecutive successful well drilled on Eugene Island Block 142 (OCS-G-10726) in the Gulf of Mexico, and the awarding of the construction contract for platform and production facilities.

Well No. 3 flowed 3.1 million cubic feet of gas and 730 barrels of 38.1 degree API gravity crude oil per day from the 15,954 - 16,018 feet interval through a

13/64 inch choke, with flowing tubing pressure of 6,436 psig.

The platform and facilities being constructed will be capable of processing 5,000 barrels of oil and 25 million cubic feet of gas per day. Initial production is anticipated in June 1991 at rates of approximately 4,000 barrels of oil and 10 million cubic feet of gas per day.

Eugene Island Block 142 is a 5,000 acre federal tract located in 50 feet of water, approximately 30 miles offshore from Louisiana. Norcen Explorer holds a 60 percent working interest and is operator of the block. Petrobras America Inc. holds the remaining 40 percent working interest.

Norcen Explorer also announced that it has acquired a 45 percent working interest in Eugene Island Block 147, which is the adjacent federal tract to the south of Block 142. Norcen Explorer's partners in Block 147 are Petrobras America Inc. (30 percent) and First Energy Corporation (25 percent).

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PHOENIX (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Active Noise and Vibration Technologies Inc. (ANTV) of Phoenix Tuesday announced that it has signed a worldwide agreement with Topexpress Ltd. of Cambridge, England to jointly develop and exploit market opportunities in the electronic noise and vibration control market.

Under the collaboration agreement, ANVT and Topexpress plan to jointly develop electronic control applications for the global market. Initial application plans call for development of in-vehicle noise control systems for the automotive and aerospace industries. Intermediate-range plans include provisions for vibration control applications, particularly in the development of elecronic mounts.

The agreement between ANVT and Topexpress constitutes a powerful technology partnership with global implications. By establishing a number of joint venture partnerships with collaborators in the United States, Europe and Japan ANVT is developing a well-structured worldwide product development and distribution network. Topexpress will become an integral member of this network with non-exclusive rights to supply ANVT products.

Situated at the forefront of electronic control technology for the past 10 years, Topexpress Ltd. has earned a worldwide reputation for innovation in the field of electronic noise and vibration control.

Topexpress' know-how, gained through nearly 100 man-years of consulting experience with the United Kingdom Ministry of Defense and industrial partners such as British Gas, British Aerospace, and a consortium of European car

manufacturers, will strongly complement ANVT's current capabilities and its extensive patent and technology base in the electronic control field.

Active Noise and Vibration Technologies, based in Phoenix with a wholly owned subsidiary in Colchester, England, is a privately held company. Heavily involved in research and development of electronic noise and vibration control applications since its formation in 1987, ANVT maintains an extensive cache of electronic noise and vibration control patents and technology.

ANVT's technologies are utilized in aerospace, industry and ground-based transportation vehicles such as cars, trucks, tractors, motorcycles and defense ground vehicles.

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MARKHAM, ONTARIO (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - SSMC Inc. (NASDAQ:SSMCP.) Tuesday announced that its board of directors has deferred declaration of the December dividend on its 15 percent Series B cumulative preferred stock.

Declaration of dividend on the company's 13.5 percent Series A non-voting preferred stock has also been deferred.

SSMC Inc. stated that with the current uncertain climate around the world, created by the tense situation in the Middle East, it would be prudent to conserve resources and allow the dividend to accumulate as per the terms of the Series B preferred.

SSMC Inc. is the leading manufacturer of consumer sewing machines worldwide and also distributes industrial sewing machines and consumer durable goods. Its principle executive offices are located in Hong Kong.

The common stock of SSMC Inc. is owned by Semi-Tech (Global) Ltd., a Hong Kong-based company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, symbol 448. Semi-Tech (Global) is an affiliate of International Semi-Tech Microelectronics Inc. whose shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange, trading under the symbol ISE.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Hadley R. Roff, former San Francisco

deputy mayor and chief-of-staff for Dianne Feinstein's gubernatorial campaign, will join The PBN Co. as vice president, Peter B. Necarsulmer, president of the San Francisco and Sacramento public affairs firm, announced Tuesday.

''It's time to broaden my horizons with new challenges,'' Roff, 58, said. ''The PBN Company offers me this opportunity. I will be able to maximize my political, public policy and communications skills on behalf of The PBN Company's many business, nonprofit and governmental clients.''

Roff said he chose this time for a career change, ''to take a break from the bedlam of candidate politics'' and because it is a transitional period for Feinstein.

''The next few months is the time for Dianne to pull together a campaign team if she decides to run for the Senate in 1992,'' Roff said. ''She clearly is the frontrunner, and I will continue to be her friend and supporter.''

Roff will remain with the Feinstein office through December and join the 27-member professional staff of The PBN Co. after the first of the year.

Established in 1983, The PBN Co. is the third largest public relations/public affairs firm in Northern California.

The firm specializes in public policy communications, crisis management, news media relations and strategic planning for clients ranging from the University of San Francisco, Chevron and the Port of Oakland to the California Chamber of Commerce and Western States Petroleum Association.

The PBN Co.'s San Francisco partners are Peter Necarsulmer, 35; Susan Thurman, 34; and Sam Sacco, 37. John Jervis, 57, is the partner in charge of the firm's capital office.

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PORTLAND, OR (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Portland General Corp. (NYSE:PGN) have approved payment of a regular quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share on the company's common stock.

The dividend is payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 26, 1990.

At the same time, directors approved the regular quarterly dividends on Portland General Electric Co.'s (PGE) six series of preferred stocks. PGE is

Portland General's principal subsidiary.

PGE's preferred dividends include 65 cents on the $2.60 series $25 par value preferred issue. Preferred dividends are also payable Jan. 15, 1991, to holders of record as of Dec. 26, 1990.

Portland General is an energy holding company with businesses offering regulated and commercial energy products and services. PGE serves more than 579,000 retail electricity customers in northwest Oregon, as well as wholesale electricity customers through its ownership of the largest non-government share of the Pacific Northwest Intertie transmission line to California.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Parishioners of the Church of Scientology Celebrity Centre in Hollywood donated a reference library on the applied religious philosophy of Scientology to California State University, Fullerton, on Dec. 3.

The books were donated to the Department of Linguistics and Religious Studies and accepted by Dr. James A. Santucci, a professor in that department. The donation was valued at more than $1,000.

The library was obtained for the university through the donations by parishioners when they learned there was a lack of reference books to adequately cover the religious philosophy of Scientology at CSU Fullerton.

''Dr. Santucci's program presents a balanced overview of modern religions,'' said Church of Scientology spokesman Doug Williams. ''Scientology works on the exact principles as discovered by world-renowned author L. Ron Hubbard and welcomes the careful scrutiny traditional of university students.''

Santucci said that viewing a religion from the inside is crucial in gaining an accurate and fair assessment of an organization.

The library puts the university one step closer to achieving Santucci's objective of placing religions and their teachings in context, Williams said. ''We're very happy to have been able to give this gift of knowledge.''

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CARLSBAD, CA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - GASCARD Inc. (GASCARD) of Carlsbad, the leading fleet fuel management company, and National Business Control Systems Inc. (NBCS) of Austin, Texas, a major supplier of automated fueling equipment, Tuesday announced completion of an interface between the GASCARD network and NBCS's island card-reader.

NBCS's GASCARD-series ''Fuel Manager'' island control unit operates at automated fueling locations in conjunction with GASCARD's patented Distributed Authorization System (DAS).

GASCARD franchisees can more economically add automated sites to the GASCARD network with this NBCS equipment. GASCARD's volume discount and growth incentive bonus programs can quickly help amortize the investment in an NBCS island card-reader. Additionally, the Fuel Manager is easy to use, expand, and service -- the franchisee or a local service station supply company can handle most maintenance.

GASCARD provides fuel management services to tens of thousands of commercial fleets that transact over 12 million gallons of fuel per month through more than 2,000 locations in 40 states. GASCARD has developed and markets nationally a comprehensive card-activated fuel management system designed to reduce commercial and governmental fleet fueling costs.

The GASCARD system can prevent unauthorized purchases, lower accounting, adminstrative, and other costs of fleet fueling, and eliminate or lessen the environmental risks of underground fuel storage tank ownership or operation.

Each billing cycle, the GASCARD system reports complete fleet fueling transaction data -- date, time, site, vehicle, driver, odometer, miles per gallon, cents per mile, product, volume, price, extension, and excise tax details -- which fleet managers can use to maximize fleet efficiency.

Through GASCARD's franchisees, which are typically independent petroleum marketers, the GASCARD system is marketed primarily for use by local and regional delivery, sales, and service fleets, such as fuel and beverage distributors, overnight package delivery services, taxis, public utilities, and governmental agencies.

GASCARD was originally organized in May 1981 and went public through an offering of its common stock in March 1987. In January 1990, the U.S. Patent Office issued Patent No. 4,891,503 to GASCARD for its Distributed Authorization System.

NBCS specializes in the OEM market and has delivered custom-designed and developed systems to such companies as Dow Chemical, Texas Instruments, FUELNET Corp., Hartford Steam Boiler, and Diagonal Data Corp.

NBCS also manufactures and markets its own proprietary card system to fleet owners and governmental agencies. NBCS is a closely held corporation and maintains its corporate headquarters and manufacturing divisions in Austin, Texas.

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NEWBURY PARK, CALIF. (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - HOH Water Technology Corp. (NASDAQ:HOHI/HOHU/HOHW) said that its Puerto Rico-based subsidiary, HOH International Inc., has signed an agreement with Health Distillers International Inc. (HDI), to become sole distributor of HOH brand products in Puerto Rico.

The agreement, which provides for minimum purchases over the next six months, should result in gross sales exceeding $600,000 and will establish the basis for a long-term relationship between the companies.

HOH President James Cruver, who holds a doctorate degree, commented: ''This agreement represents an important milestone for HOH, because we believe Puerto Rico will be a fast-growing market that is dominated by HDI -- the largest distributor of water purification equipment on the island with a sales force of over 300 there and the world's top distributor of most of their own product lines.

''We are also pleased with the sales performance of our Harrisburg, Pa.-based distributor, CleanStream Technologies. In my opinion, between these newest distributors (HDI and CleanStream), HOH can reasonably expect more than $2 million in sales during 1991.''

Cruver also reported that the company's products were enthusiastically received at the November Pacific Water Quality Association (PWQA) Trade Show in Anaheim and through recent trade journal advertisements.

The HOH exhibit included the SupROpure, ExtROpure and ElectROpure product lines, along with prototypes of advanced monitoring instrumentation soon to be made available by the company. As a result of the positive response, the marketing department is currently following up on over 300 dealer inquiries.

Cruver commented: ''We are gratified at the keen interest represented by the dealer response and believe it will translate into considerable sales potential adding to the company's bottom line in 1991.

ExtROpure home drinking water systems utilize high-capacity seawater desalination reverse osmosis (RO) membranes and durable, reliable components.

Both SupROpure and ExtROpure waste 50 percent to 80 percent less water than the best of the comparable reverse osmosis drinking water units, according to Cruver.

The ElectROpure model is in the final stages of field testing and is currently slated for market introduction during the first quarter of 1991.

Arthur D. Little Inc., the highly regarded Cambridge, Mass., consulting firm, rated HOH ElectROpure as the No. 1 high purity water process in its June 1989 comparative study.

HOH Water Technology is engaged in the development and supply of a breakthrough line of water filtrations and treatment systems for residential, commercial and industrial water treatment.

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ANTWERP, BELGIUM (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Shlomo Dovrat, president and chief executive officer of OSHAP TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: OSHSF) Tuesday announced that a total of 238,529 Redeemable Class A Warrants were exercised prior to their expiration on Nov. 26, providing proceeds to the company of $1,192,645.

Each Class A Warrant entitled warrant holders to purchase one share of common stock of the company and one Redeemable Class B Warrant at a price of $5.00. Each Class B Warrant enabled warrant holders to purchase one share of common stock of the company at a price of $7.25. The Class B Warrants also expired on Nov. 26.

OSHAP TECHNOLOGIES LTD. provides advanced computer aided engineering workstations, flexible machining systems and standard automation products to major worldwide industrial concerns. OSHAP is also a manufacturer of hyperthermia and medical imaging equipment, and software products primarily used for Inter-Bank communications.

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HERCULES, CALIF. (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc. (ASE:BIO.A/BIO.B) Tuesday announced it has started construction on a new building in Hercules that will serve as headquarters for its Research Products Group.

The new facility will be approximately 95,000 square feet in size, and occupancy is anticipated in the latter part of 1991.

Bio-Rad's Research Products Group develops and manufactures materials and equipment used by life science researchers to separate, purify and analyze complex chemical compounds. Over the past five years, sales in this segment of the company's business have more than doubled and 1990 revenues will be approximately $100 million.

David Schwartz, president, said: ''This represents a further expansion of Bio-Rad's 80-acre Hercules location and will be the third in a series of buildings on the site which already houses the company's corporate offices and several of its clinical diagnostic operations.''

Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc. is a multinational manufacturer and distributor of research products, clinical diagnostics and analytical instruments.

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DENVER (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Schield Management Co. (NASDAQ:SMCC) is pleased to announce that it has named Glenn Cutler to the newly created position of chief operating officer.

Cutler, 36, joins Schield Management as a result of its recent acquisition of Progressive Ventures Inc., an investment advisory firm he founded and developed and served as chairman and president.

Cutler has been an investment advisor since 1983. He is widely known for his investment publications Market Mania and the DMC-Market Fax. He has been visible in the financial community through his interviews on Financial News Network and his guest appearances on Nightly Business Report.

Cutler earned a B.S. in business from the State University of New York at Old Westbury.

President and chief executive officer Marshall Schield stated: ''We are fortunate to add the talents and experience of Glenn Cutler to our management team. His experience and insights are a tremendous asset for us.

''He has been very effective in directing the activities and visibility of his advisory business. The creation and early success of the Schield Progressive Environmental Fund was primarily a result of his vision, energy and focus. He currently manages that portfolio of environmental stocks.''

Schield Management Co. has been in business as an investment advisor since 1972. Its principle lines of business include providing market timing services, providing investment advice to both individually managed accounts and the Schield Portfolios Series of mutual funds, publishing and marketing an institutional investment advisory publication and providing bridge loans and equity financing.

Schield Management Co. has approximately 1,612,000 shares outstanding, including its shares issued to PVI shareholders as part of the PVI acquisition.

Schield Management Co. is currently in registration for an offering of $1,800,000 in new securities. The offering is being underwritten by Cohig and Associates Inc. on a firm commitment basis.

This announcement shall not constitute an offer to sell or solicit an offer to buy in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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BASKING RIDGE, NJ (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Science Management Corp. (AMEX:''SMG'') announced that the sale of the company's executive search and compensation division is part of the company's strategic repositioning to more closely focus the company's operations.

Included in the company's results previously reported for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 is an operating after-tax loss of $1,247,000 or 44 cents per share from this discontinued unit as well as an estimated after-tax loss of $750,000 or 27 cents per share from the disposition of this business.

SMC reported a net loss of $3,608,000 or $1.28 per share for the first nine months of 1990 in comparsion to $1,184,000 or 42 cents per share in the first nine months of 1989.

Commenting on this development, James A. Skidmore Jr., chairman, president and chief executive officer of SMC said, ''With the sale of our executive search and compensation business, SMC had taken another step in our strategic refocusing of the company on our core businesses in management, environmental

and engineering services.

''The executive search division had been a major cause of the losses SMC incurred in the year 1989 and the first nine months of the current year. As we reported last week we have engaged the investment banking firm of Legg Mason Wood Walker Inc. to assist us in our efforts to seek opportunities for the further development and repositioning of the company,'' he concluded.

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SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Xsirius Superconductivity (NASDAQ:XSCIA) Tuesday announced test results showing that its high temperature superconducting thin films have microwave properties that are superior to any other thin films yet published worldwide.

These thin films are essentially superconducting microchips and form the basis for the emerging commercialization of superconductive microwave components and systems, with applications in advanced radar and telecommunications systems.

The tests announced today will lead to production and sales of the thin films by Xsirius Superconductivity's Israeli subsidiary and by the parent company in the United States. The overall market for thin films is estimated to be multimillion dollar by 1995.

''Many groups produce good films. Xsirius, however, is unique both in the quality of its thin films and in its ability to produce custom-made substrates that can be produced in larger sizes and are appropriate for microwave applications,'' explained Prof. Guy Deutscher of Tel Aviv University in Israel a consultant to the company and one of the leading scientists in the superconductivity field.

''These films are certainly equivalent to the quality of any other reported superconducting thin films anywhere in the world,'' Dr. Deutscher added.

Development of the microchips was achieved by Xsirius Superconductivity's laser methods at its Israeli subsidiary, Xsirius Superconductivity Materials Ltd. (XSM) under the direction of Dr. Michael Scheiber, Director of Research for the company. XSM will also manufacture the microchips. Worldwide marketing will be coordinated by Xsirius Superconductivity through joint ventures, which the company intends to pursue immediately.

Xsirius Superconductivity is one of the few publicly traded companies dedicated exclusively to the commercial development of superconductive technology. Xsirius Superconductivity is headquartered in Scottsdale, and has

a majority-owned subsidiary in Jerusalem, Israel.

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PHOENIX (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Cavco Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:CVCO) announced the receipt of a contract with T.S.I. (Israel) Ltd., of Israel.

The initial contract calls for the delivery of 420 modular housing units to be shipped to Israel, with an option for an additional 1,580 units next year. The initial order is in excess of $4 million and is scheduled for completion by January 1991.

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RANCHO MIRAGE, CALIF. (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - StratAmerica Corp.'s ''Field of Dreams,'' baseball card and sports memorabilia retail business, has opened its second retail store in the Fashion Mall in Indio, Calif.

Richard M. Ramirez was named manager of the new 800-square-foot facility by Joie Casey, ''Field of Dreams'' operational vice president. Casey said that the second store is very important to the companies developmental plans and that Ramirez brings a strong sports interest to the retail management.

A third retail location is scheduled to open later this month in Glendale Galleria, Glendale, Calif.

Ramirez has been active in coaching high school sports since 1965 and is presently the director of athletics & activities for Coachella Valley High School in Thermal, Calif. He has been head football and baseball coach at Coachella Valley High School and presently he is a member of the California State Athletics Directors Association and the California State Coaches Association.

In October, StratAmerica Corp. announced it had selected Francorp Inc., Olympia Fields, Ill., to develop its franchise plan for the ''Field of Dreams'' baseball card and sports memorabilia business. The organizational and documentation process of the franchising program is expected to be

completed toward the end of the first calendar quarter of 1991.

Sam D. Battistone, StratAmerica's president, said the ''Field of Dreams'' retail store concept is designed for high-traffic regional shopping malls. StratAmerica's subsidiary, Sports Archives Inc., is licensed from MCA, Los Angeles, to use the name ''Field of Dreams.''

In addition to building a retail network the company has already established a wholesale distribution facility with the associated sports cards and memorabilia inventories. The wholesale facility will serve company owned stores, franchised units and non-affiliated retail stores.

StratAmerica's stock is traded on the NASDAQ system in the over-the-counter market with the symbol STCO.

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RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - James River Corp. (NYSE: JR) announced Tuesday that it has completed the previously announced sale of its West Linn, Ore. mill to Simpson Paper Co. of San Francisco for an undisclosed amount.

The West Linn Mill, which employs approximately 540 people, has a current annual sales rate of approximately $170 million. This divestiture is a portion of the restructuring program which James River announced in August of this year. As a result of this sale, James River no longer participates in the coated freesheet market.

James River Corp., with headquarters in Richmond, is a marketer and manufacturer of consumer products, consumer packaging, and consumer-related communication papers which include such brands as as Northern tissue and Brawny towels, Dixie paper plates and cups, Monterey magazine paper, and the new Quilt-Rap sandwich wrap. The company had sales of approximately $6 billion for its fiscal year which ended April 29, 1990.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The Neiman Marcus Group Inc. (NYSE:NMG) announced Tuesday that Burton Tansky has been appointed vice chairman of Bergdorf Goodman and that Stephen C. Elkin, current vice chairman,

has been named president.

Both appointments are effective Dec. 10, 1990.

Tansky, 52 years old, joins Bergdorf Goodman after resigning as president of Saks Fifth Avenue. He had served in that post since 1980 and was responsible for merchandising, stores and the fashion office. Tansky joined Saks in 1977 as senior vice president and general merchandise manager, and from 1978 to 1980 served as executive vice president, merchandising.

Elkin, who has been vice chairman and chief operating officer of Bergdorf Goodman, has been appointed president and will retain his chief operating officer responsibilities. Elkin, 47 years old, joined Bergdorf Goodman in 1978 as senior vice president and chief financial officer. In 1981, he was named executive vice president, finance and operations, and in 1986 was appointed vice chairman.

Robert J. Tarr Jr., president of The Neiman Marcus Group, indicated that Tansky's appointment would ensure an orderly management transition at Bergdorf Goodman. ''Ira Neimark, 68 years old and current chairman and chief executive officer of Bergdorf Goodman, plans to resign those posts upon the conclusion of his current contract on January 31, 1992. Between now and that time, Mr. Neimark, Mr. Tansky and Mr. Elkin will work together preparing for the change '' Tarr said.

''Beginning February 1, 1992, Mr. Tansky will assume the duties of chairman and chief executive officer, with Mr. Elkin continuing as president and chief operating officer,'' according to Tarr.

''Although Mr. Neimark plans to step down as head of Bergdorf Goodman,'' Tarr reported, ''he will continue to serve as senior vice president of merchandise development for The Neiman Marcus Group. In that capacity, he is responsible for the coordination of important resources who serve both Bergdorf Goodman and Neiman Marcus, another unit of The Neiman Marcus Group. He will also be available for other special assignments throughout the company, as requested '' Tarr stated.

Neimark has been chairman and chief executive officer of Bergdorf Goodman since 1983. He joined the organization in 1975 as president. Under his leadership, Bergdorf Goodman has become a leading specialty retailer of women's and men's apparel, with revenues growing from about $30 million to $187 million. Last August, the company opened Bergdorf Goodman Men, directly across Fifth Avenue from its women's store. That expansion will push Bergdorf Goodman's revenues in its current fiscal year to well over $200 million.

In addition to Bergdorf Goodman and Neiman Marcus, The Neiman Marcus Group includes Contempo Casuals.

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SAN RAMON, CA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T, Rockwell International, and Pirelli Cable have joined in a unique consortium to provide millions of dollars of advanced telecommunications products and fiber optic cable to Pacific Bell over the next 18 months.

AT&T and Rockwell are two of the largest fiber optics electronics and equipment suppliers in the world today. Pirelli Cable, a leading fiber optic cable producer, has international expertise in custom-manufacturing fiber optic cable.

''We're bringing to Pacific Bell the collective strengths of AT&T, Rockwell, and Pirelli,'' said Jerry Hanley, regional vice president-sales, AT&T Network Systems. ''The consortium offers Pacific Bell one-stop shopping for the most advanced technology available in the world today.'' The consortium's leading edge products will provide Pacific Bell with technology to support California's burgeoning telecommunications needs today, while helping to build the advanced infrastructure necessary for network applications of the 21st century.

In addition to being an unusual coalition of competing vendors, the AT&T-Rockwell-Pirelli consortium is unique in that its agreement with Pacific Bell calls for the provisioning, assembly, and distribution of a significant amount of product by several California minority and woman-owned business enterprises (MWBEs).

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FREEHOLD, NJ (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Calton Inc. (NYSE:CN) announced Tuesday that it has entered into a non-binding letter of intent to acquire approximately $18 million principal amount of its 16-5/8 percent senior subordinated notes in exchange for the transfer of certain real property and

joint venture interests.

Calton also reported that it has paid $10 million of the $20 million payment that was due on Nov. 30 under its secured credit agreeement. The company is continuing discussions with its lending group to defer the additional $10 million payment and to revise certain other terms of the credit agreement, including an extension of the term of the credit agreement from April 30, 1991 to Dec. 1, 1991. The company expects that the discussions with its lending group will lead to an amendment to the credit agreement. $85 million is currently outstanding under the credit agreement.

In connection with the proposed acquisition of approximately $18 million principal amount of its 16-5/8 percent senior subordinated notes, Calton will transfer certain real property and joint venture interests to the holder of the notes and will pay approximately $1.1 million of accrued interest on the notes through the issuance of redeemable preferred stock with a limited right to convert into common stock.

The properties or joint ventures in which Calton will transfer its interest are located in Florida, Maryland, Virginia and California. Certain properties and joint venture interests to be transferred by Calton will be acquired from Talcon, L.P., a publicly traded limited partnership, in exchange for a reduction of Calton's Class A limited partnership in Talcon. Calton Capital Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Calton, is the general partner of Talcon, L.P.

The transaction to acquire the 16-5/8 percent senior subordinated notes is subject to the consent of Calton's lending group and the execution of a formal binding agreement.

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ENFIELD, CT (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Dairy Mart Convenience Stores Inc. (NASDAQ - DMCVA & DMCVB) reports results for the third quarter and the nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990.

Sales for the third quarter were $216,319,000 as compared with $186,844,000 for the third quarter of the previous year, a 16 percent increase, which was partly due to our Stop-N-Go acquisition. Pre-tax income was $2,705,000 as compared with $59,000 for the previous year (after a $2.5 million pre-tax nonrecurring charge in the previous year).

Net income for the quarter was $1,506,000 as compared with $31,000 for the third quarter of the previous year. On a per share basis earnings were 35

cents per share as compared with 1 cent per share for the third quarter last year.

For the nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990, sales were $614,632,000 as compared with $554,717,000 for the prior year nine months, an 11 percent increase, which again was partly due to our Stop-N-Go acquisition. Pre-tax income was $6,341,000 as compared with $591,000 (after $3.3 million in nonrecurring pre-tax charges in the previous year).

Net income for the nine months was $3,614,000 as compared with a net income for the previous year's nine months of $339,000. On a per share basis net income was 85 cents as compared with a net income of 8 cents for the previous year's nine months.

Dairy Mart Convenience Stores Inc.
Financial Highlights

	For the Three Fiscal Quarters Ended		For the Third Fiscal Quarter Ended	
	Nov. 3, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989	Nov. 3, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
	(In thousands, except per share amounts)			
Sales, incl. franchises	$614,632	$554,717	$216,319	$186,844
Revenues	446,648	402,579	159,808	134,725
Income before income taxes	6,341	591	2,705	59
Net income	3,614	339	1,506	31
Average shares	4,250	4,306	4,256	4,289
Net earnings per share	$ 0.85	$ 0.08	$ 0.35	$ 0.01

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DAYTON, OH (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. Tuesday announced a joint marketing success with CPS Systems Inc., who will provide a specialized tax management information system to the Osceola County, Fla., tax collection office.

This marks the 13th marketing venture between NCR and CPS, under the Target Account Program.

The Osceola County Tax Collection office in Kissimmee, Fla., selected CPS' ''Tax Manager'' software specially developed to accommodate Florida tax laws, and the NCR Tower 32/825 as the processing hardware platform, to upgrade tax collection for the county.

CPS' Tax Manager is a comprehensive library of programs designed specifically to automate all facets of the county tax collector including occupational license, hunting and fishing, and financial accounting. To keep track of licenses purchased at the tax collector's office, the county also bought six NCR 7052 point of sale workstations.

''Osceola County is a good example of how a vertical-application reseller (VAR) working with NCR's direct sales force can create a dynamic package for the customer -- and everyone benefits,'' said Joe Williams, NCR's VAR account manager for CPS Systems.

''By calling in NCR's direct sales force, CPS can create a dynamic UNIX-based solution for tax, county government, or collection coupled with NCR hardware in one turnkey package for the client,'' stated Ken Hoofard Jr., CPS national sales manager.

NCR and CPS joint customers include 10 in Florida, one in New Mexico and two in Texas.

A $7 million plus revenue company, CPS Systems Inc. provides comprehensive solutions to cities, counties, appraisal districts, law enforcement agencies and commercial markets. The systems operate as multi-user, multi-tasking systems for UNIX-based minicomputers. CPS also has offices throughout the South.

NCR and CPS plan to continue their strategic software partnership with software upgrades and NCR's System 3000.

Service and maintenance support for NCR products is provided by 5,000 customer service professionals at 400 locations in the United States through the NCR ProTech Program.

NCR Corp., based in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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RICHMOND, BC (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - MTC Electronic Technologies Co. Ltd. (NASDAQ:MTCEF) announced Tuesday that it has entered into an exclusive joint venture agreement with the Peoples' Republic of China through its government agencies to provide a turn-key cellular telephone system to service one of the largest, and fastest growing, urban areas in China.

Commenting on the joint venture, Miko Leung, president of MTC said, ''When in place, MTC will own a 28 percent interest in the cellular system comprised of over 20 million potential POPS.

''The system is forecast to be fully operational by September 30, 1991. We believe that this agreement will provide MTC with significant revenue and profits, once the system is in place.

''Virtually none of the People's Republic of China currently has cellular capabilities, but we believe that in the Peoples' Republic of Chnia there is an insatiable demand for this product, as the amount of pay phones in the country is quite limited and standard wire-line service is quite inadequate.

''Further details of this milestone agreement will be made public as the company moves forward on this project,'' Leung continued.

''MTC will have complete management control of the operations of the cellular systems for which subcontracts to a major Japanese cellular equipment manufacturer have already been let. MTC will be the exclusive supplier of all hardware until the joint venture has implemented its own manufacturing facilities, which are targeted to be completed within the next three years.

''Under the agreement, the joint venture has to buy more than 20,000 telephone units each year for 3 years from MTC. In addition, MTC enjoys the exclusive right to export all products manufactured in the joint venture manufacturing facility.''

''This is an exclusive agreement for 50 years and there will be no cost charged for the territory, for the frequency band, for the facilities, for the license fee, for the placement of the transmitters or for the operating equipment. The local government has arranged for the placement of the transmitter atop the city's tallest skyscraper. The 50-story tall transmitter vastly reduces the number of repeaters needed.

''We have also negotiated favorable tax considerations for both the joint venture and MTC. For the first five years of operation, we have been granted tax exempt status. After the initial five year period, from 1995 to 2002, we will be taxed at 50 percent of the then prevailing rates.

''The terms of the agreement call for MTC to provide $3 million (U.S.) in cash technology, and services, out of a projected total capital requirement of $12.5 million required for the project with the PRC providing the remainder of the capital. The terms of the contract call for the capital to be made available for this project no later than May 31, 1991,'' Leung concluded.

MTC Electronic Technologies Co. Ltd., founded in 1972, manufactures, distributes, and imports over 160 products from the Far-East, including

televisions, VCRs, and telephones from three factories in mainland China. The company is also the sole importer of FAX machines into mainland China, through a multi-year agreement with the government-controlled Yin Jiang Telephone Co.

Year-to-date, the company has imported components for 15,000 FAX machines which MTC then assembled and sold in China. MTC trades on NASDAQ under the symbol MTCEF, and on the Vancouver Stock Exchange under the symbol MT.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - World silver fabrication demand has increased nearly 28 percent over the past five years pushing global consumption to an estimated 505 million ounces in 1990, according to the first edition of The Silver Institute's World Silver Survey released Tuesday.

Throughout the 1990s fabrication demand is expected to increase 3.3 percent annually - outpacing silver supply which is expected to increase 2 percent each year over the next decade. ''Overall, the facts outlined in the World Silver Survey indicate the market is tightening,'' Art Brown, chairman of Hecla Mining Co. and president of The Silver Insitute, said during a briefing on the report.

''The 1980s were challenging years for precious metals. We look forward to the 1990s and hope this annual publication will assist all those involved in the silver market.''

Supply and demand forecasts for the '90s comprise only a portion of the World Silver Survey's comprehensive analysis of the international silver industry. The survey also includes:

-- supply trends

-- fabrication demand

-- 40-year history of the market

-- investment demand

-- analysis of market inventories

The report gives a solid basis for understanding present silver market

conditions by providing reliable, fundamental information on all facets of the industry. Following its initial release, the World Silver Survey will be updated annually.

Copies of the report may be purchased for a $10 postage and handling fee from The Silver Institute, 1112 Sixteenth St., N.W. Suite 240, Washington, D.C. 20036.

The Silver Institute, based in Washington, D.C., is an international association of silver miners, refiners, factricators and manufacturers. The report is authored by CPM Group, a precious metal and commodities research company based in New York.

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BURLINGTON, MASS. (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Cognos Inc. (TSE:CSN; NASDAQ:COGNF) Tuesday announced its PowerHouse software is now available on Data General AViiON computer systems.

PowerHouse is a fourth-generation application development language in use at over 16,000 installations in 68 countries. AViiON is a RISC-based UNIX system that began volume shipments in September, 1989. To date, more than 400 software vendors have agreed to port software to the AViiON family of open systems.

This is the third UNIX announcement made by Cognos, a $112 million-(a) company that markets application development software.
In June, 1990, Cognos entered the UNIX market when it announced PowerHouse availability on the HP 9000 Series 800 Computers from Hewlett-Packard Co. under the HP-UX operating system. Last month, Cognos announced its intent to support Digital's ULTRIX. The PowerHouse ULTRIX product is expected to be available in the spring of 1991.

PowerHouse for AViiON systems runs under release 4.3 of the DG/UX operating system. It is available across the entire range of AViiON processors, including workstations, servers and multi-user systems.

''PowerHouse is one of the leading 4GL toolsets available on the Eclipse and MV families. Data General is pleased to have this product now available for its RISC-based AViiON systems. What sells commercial hardware like AViiON are proven commercial software tools like PowerHouse. We expect the addition of this popular software development environment will spur the continued rapid acceptance of the AViiON line of open systems,'' said Stephen P. Baxter, vice president, corporate marketing, Data General Corp.

Cognos and Data General have recently expanded their joint marketing efforts to include a new Distribution Agreement which allows DG to sell PowerHouse products for both the Eclipse/MV and AViiON systems. PowerHouse is also used worldwide by DG's own MIS organization.

Data General is a leading manufacturer of computer systems for business, industry, education and government. The company reported revenues for fiscal year 1990 of $1.22 billion.

Cognos markets application development software used on mid- range computers. The publicly held company is headquartered in Ottawa, Canada, with worldwide sales, service and marketing operations in Burlington, Massachusetts. Its PowerHouse product is used at over 16,000 installations in 68 countries.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Alpha Industries Inc. announced Tuesday that it is on target to meet its forecasted earnings of 25 cents per share for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1991.

The company reported eanings of 11 cents per share for the first half, ending Sept. 30, 1990.

The projection was made this morning by Martin J. Reid, president and chief operating officer in a presentation before a group of security analysts in New York City. He said that the higher earnings are the result of increased profitability in the company's commercial product lines which now account for 60 percent of Alpha's sales, up from 20 percent just four years ago.

Commercial sales of microwave semiconductors and components to four markets, DBS, telecommunications, automotive, and sensors, are expected to account for an increased amount of Alpha's business growing from a projected $19 million in fiscal 1991 to $40 million in fiscal 1993.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Giant Pacific Petroleum Inc. (VSE:GPP) (''Giant Pacific'') and Patriot Energy Co. Ltd. (ASE:PGY) (''Patriot'') announce that the mailing to shareholders in respect of Giant Pacific's share exchange offer to acquire no less than 90 percent of the outstanding shares of Patriot did not take place by Nov. 23.

Further details with respect to the mailing of the offer will be provided as soon as they are available.

Giant Pacific trades on the VSE and NASDAQ. Its principal assets are oil and gas producing properties in Texas. Patriot is an active junior oil and gas exploration company trading on the ASE and has holdings in western Canada with oil production in Saskatchewan.

Note to Editors: Neither the Alberta Stock Exchange nor the Vancouver Stock Exchange has approved or disapproved of the information contained herein.

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WEST PALM BEACH, FL (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The Flagler Bank Corp., and Flagler National Bank (NASDAQ:FLGLA), announced Tuesday the appointment of Mr. Edwin O. Bussey Jr. to the board of directors of both the corporation and the bank.

Commenting on the board's action, President Thomas E. Rossin stated, ''We are extremely pleased and honored to have Mr. Bussey join our organization. Mr. Bussey brings with him many years of business and banking experience as Chairman of the Board of The Mall Bank from 1968 to 1986 and as the Southeastern U.S. Distributor for Subaru from 1953 until 1982.

''He is past president of the Palm Beach Council Navy League, the Palm Beach Power Squadron and The Sailfish Club of Florida.''

Flagler National Bank is the largest independent bank in Palm Beach County with 15 banking centers throughout the county.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Trivest Inc. has purchased The Shannon Group Inc. through acquisition financing provided by GE Capital Corporate Finance Group.

Shannon Group management, led by Chief Executive Officer Gary Hainley, is also participating in the acquisition.

Trivest Inc., an investor group headquartered in Miami, has acquired approximately 30 companies since its formation in 1981. With the acquisition of The Shannon Group Inc. of Parsons, Tenn., Trivest becomes a major force in the manufacture of commercial refrigeration products for the foodservice equipment industry.

Acquisition financing for the project was arranged by GE Capital through its Southeast region office in Atlanta, according to Corporate Finance Group Vice President Andy Mason. ''GE Capital chose to be a part of this project because of Trivest's strong track record, the company's proven record of accomplishment and the potential for growth through industry consolidation,'' Mason said.

Shannon accounts for a significant portion of all ''walk-in'' refrigeration and freezer sales to major restaurant chains. The company commands a 20 percent market share of the walk-in freezer market in the United States and a significant share of ''reach-in'' freezer sales.

Shannon produces refrigerators under the well-known brand names Kolpak and McCall. The company manufactures products through six operations in three states including Tennessee, Wisconsin and California.

Trivest Inc. has a substantial presence in the foodservice industry and also has significant holdings in furniture, plastics, retail, consumer products and apparel industries.

GE Capital Corporate Finance Group provides debt and equity for acquisitions, recapitalizations, joint-ventures and turnarounds.

GE Capital, one of the nation's largest diversified financial services companies, has more than $63.6 billion in assets.

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GREENVILLE, SC (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Donald C. Spann, chairman and chief executive officer of Span-America Medical Systems Inc., Tuesday reported

increased sales and net income for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 28, 1990.

''Net income for the fourth quarter rose 36 percent to $311,300 while sales increased 11 percent to $6.9 million,'' stated Spann. ''The improvement in our fourth quarter income was due to a more profitable product mix, including higher sales of our health care foam products.

''We also benefited in the fourth quarter from improved manufacturing costs and lower product costs in our foam manufacturing operations.''

Fourth quarter sales rose to $6.9 million in 1990 compared with $6.2 million in the same quarter last year. Net income for the fourth quarter of 1990 was $311,300, or 9 cents per share, a 36 percent increase over 1989 fourth quarter net income $229,000, or 7 percent per share.

Net sales for fiscal 1990 advanced 16.6 percent to $25.2 million compared with sales of $21.6 million in fiscal 1989. Net income for 1990 increased to $1,312,000, or 40 cents per share, a 13.6 percent increase over fiscal 1989 net income of $1,155,100, or 35 cents per share.

''During fiscal 1990, we launched an aggressive marketing program,'' continued Spann. ''This included the hiring of additional sales and marketing staff and increased advertising and promotional expense for our entire product line.

Part of our sales success this year was due to these efforts. We also introduced a new consumer product, Leisure Mat, which will be distributed directly by Span-America.''

As previously announced, a contract for the company's flexible packaging services, accounting for approximately 12 percent of fiscal 1990 gross sales, will expire on Dec. 31, 1990.

Span-America Medical Systems Inc. is a manufacturer and marketer of foam products for the health care, industrial and consumer markets. The company also provides flexible packaging services. Span-America's stock is traded on the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol SPAN.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Battle Mountain Gold Company (NYSE:BMG) has declared a quarterly dividend on its common stock of 2 1/2 cents per share, payable February 19, 1991, to shareholders of record on February 4, 1991.

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LANDING, NJ (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Murray United Development Corp. (OTC) announced Tuesday that it has extended the expiration date of all outstanding 'A' and 'B' warrants.

The 'A' warrants allow warrant holders to purchase shares of Murray United's common stock at a price of 10 cents per share. The 'B' warrants allow warrant holders to purchase shares of Murray United's common stock at a price of 15 cents per share. The 'A' warants which were to expire Dec. 7, 1990 have been extended through Friday, April 26, 1991. The 'B' warrants which were scheduled to expire Feb. 26, 1991 have been extended through Friday, Sept. 6, 1991.

Murray United Development Corp. is a development stage enterprise utilizing the Rotorcam Engine Technology to develop the Rotorcam engine. The Rotorcam engine has significantly fewer parts than a conventional four cylinder engine, multi-fuel capability, automatic variable compression ratio, high torque at low speed, low idle speeds and low total cost. The engine can be utilized in all areas where conventional engines are used.

Jerome L. Murray, president of the company, holds over 50 patents and has developed the high speed dental drill, peristaltic heart pump, magnetic lab stirrer, electric carving knife, jet engine power thrust indicator, airport jetway, sodium filled exhaust and power automotive seat. Murray received a B.S. in Aeronautical Engineering from M.I.T. in 1935.

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BALTIMORE (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Allied Research Corp. (NASDAQ:ARAI) Tuesday reported to its shareholders that it had reached a record $90 million backlog on November 26.

The information was part of a Report to Shareholders by Reinald W. Carter, president and chief executive officer of Allied Research.

''We reported to you in our 1990 second quarter report a backlog of $27 million. Our backlog for the quarter ending September 30, 1990 was $60.1 million and, since that time, we have made significant strides in our

marketing efforts.

''Subsequent orders have increased the backlog to approximately $90 million at November 26, 1990. This is the largest backlog in the history of the company '' reported Carter.

''We are particularly gratified that a part of the most recent order received by Mecar is to be produced in 1992. This is the first step in our plan to build production beyond a normal twelve month production period,'' he added.

Carter said that ''sales for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 were $27.9 million, down from $32.3 million for the same 1989 period. The loss was $4.9 million, compared with a loss of $4.2 million for the same 1989 period.

He said that receipt of orders has not been restricted to Mecar, with Barnes & Reinecke receiving a contract from the U.S. Army for bullet trap rifle grenades developed by Mecar. While small (just a little over $200,000) this is the first contract received from the U.S. Army for bullet trap rifle grenades and is indicative of the potential synergism between Mecar and Barnes & Reinecke.

Recently, Barnes & Reinecke also logged contract awards for Systems Technical Management support for several U.S. Army vehicles, production of driver control panel assemblies for the M1 Abrams tank and control assemblies for the Vulcan 20mm cannon.

Allied Research is a leading developer and producer of ammunition systems, supplier of engineering services to defense departments worldwide and designer of advanced products and systems for industry.

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BUFFALO, NY (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors Tuesday declared a dividend of $.045 per share, payable Jan. 16, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Jan. 2, 1991.

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MONTVALE, NJ (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Mercedes-Benz of North America reported sales of 6,694 new cars in November, compared with 6,297 cars in 1989, a 6.3

percent increase.

Current year-to-date sales totalled 69,217, compared to 68,601 in the same period a year earlier.

Mercedes-Benz sales are slightly ahead of last year and in line with its annual sales objective.

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CHATTANOOGA, TENN (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Chattem Inc. (NASDAQ: CHTT) announced Tuesday that based on preliminary unaudited sales data, corporate objectives of earnings per share growth of 20 to 25 percent over the $1.86 reported in its latest full fiscal year which ended May 31, 1989, will be met or exceeded for the year ended November 30.

Audited results are expected to be available in mid-January.

Early this year, the health and beauty/specialty chemicals company changed its fiscal year-end to November 30th from May 31st.

Chattem also announced that it has accepted an initial order for a chemical specialty product it will provide to a major U.S. pharmaceutical manufacturer under circumstances where a continuing vendor relationship may be established.

While it is not yet possible to quantify the effect of this possible relationship on sales and earnings, the Company expects that the establishment of a continuing vendor relationship would make a positive contribution to profitability in the fiscal year which began December 1. Chattem declined to identify either the chemical product or the purchaser citing a confidentiality agreement between the parties.

Separately, the trustees of the trust for the Company's defined benefit pension plan have indicated an intention to utilize up to $500,000 to purchase shares of the Company's common stock for the defined plan either in open market purchased at prevailing prices or in privately negotiated transactions.

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GOLDEN, CO (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Peter H. Coors, president, Coors Brewing

Co., Tuesday announced the company's decision to enter the Indiana marketplace in early 1991. It will be the 50th and final U.S. state for market expansion by the nation's third largest brewer.

Citing that the brewery "saved the best for last," Coors made public the list of seven Indiana wholesaler operations that will serve as master distributors for the Colorado-based company.

They include: Brentlinger Distributing in Terre Haute; City Beverage in Huntington; Jasper Beverage in Jasper; Metro Beverage Inc. in South Bend; Monarch Beverage Co. in Indianapolis; Valpo Beverage Co. Inc. in Valpariso; and Working Distributors Inc. in Evansville.

Regarding the delay in entering the Hoosier State's market, Terry Nauslar, Coors' director of field marketing said, "It's always been our policy to expand Coors' marketing territory only as rapidly as our brewing and packaging capabilities allowed.

"With substantial capital investments in our Golden, Shenandoah, and Memphis operations during 1990, we believe we're now much better equipped to meet the demand for our products by Indiana consumers."

Coors began expansion efforts east of the Mississippi in 1978 and most recently added Pennsylvania and Delaware in 1988. The company's growth rate has topped all other national major brewers over the last year.

Coors produces Coors Light - the nation's number three beer - as well as Coors Coors Extra Gold, Keystone, Keystone Light, George Killian's Irish Red and Winterfest, a holiday brew.

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NEW ORLEANS (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (NYSE:FTX) board of directors Tuesday declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.46875 per share on its $1.875 convertible exchangeable preferred stock for the period Nov. 1, 1990, through Jan. 31, 1991, payable on Feb. 1, 1991, to preferred shareholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 15, 1991.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - J.P. Morgan Tuesday introduced two new global indices for international investors - the J.P. Morgan Currency-Hedged Government Bond Index and the J.P. Morgan Cash Index.

These additions round out the family of indices that J.P. Morgan began offering to investors a year ago today, when it introduced the Government Bond Index, a daily measure of global bond market performance.

With these new indices, bond investors may now tailor their benchmarks to include their desired currency exposure and their specific allocation to money market instruments. A brief description of each follows:

J.P. Morgan Currency-Hedged Government Bond Index: The generally prevailing view is that an unhedged international benchmark is appropriate for measuring the performance of a foreign currency bond portfolio.

However, it has become increasingly popular in the United States to consider using a fully or partially hedged international benchmark.

For investors who prefer a hedged benchmark, J.P. Morgan has developed its Currency-Hedged Government Bond Index.

These monthly hedged indices use rolling-one and three-month currency forward contracts to measure currency-hedged performance of the eleven government bond markets covered by the Index.

The returns are fully hedged into 15 currencies. Until now, no other index has used three-month forwards in measuring hedged performance, even though investors commonly hedge this way.

J.P. Morgan Cash Index: Cash is often a permanent - though fluctuating - component of a portfolio. With the new indices, investors may now measure the performance of cash against a more representative benchmark. The cash indices maintain constant maturities and are based on Euro-currency deposit rates rather than domestic money-market instruments.

Euro-currency deposits are the only liquid short-term securities consistent across all markets in terms of liquidity, maturity and credit quality. The indices are calculated daily for deposits in five constant maturities (one-, two-, three-, six-, and 12-month) for 11 countries and are reported in 15 currencies.

With institutional and individual investors showing strong interest in international securities during the past year and international government bonds offering attractive returns compared to other assets, the J.P. Morgan Government Bond Index has become increasingly monitored by investors.

Victor Filatov, head of J.P. Morgan's Bond Index Group, said, ''With a growing

number of investors worldwide using the J.P. Morgan Government Bond Index as their performance benchmark, and many others using it to monitor the impact of intra-month market movements, we feel that the Index has been a tremendous success and are expanding it to include these new hedged and cash indices.''

Filatov noted that Bankers Trust Investment Management group has already selected the new J.P. Morgan Currency-hedged Non-U.S. Traded Index as the benchmark for a $100 million index fund that it is managing for GenCorp, a $1.5 billion corporate pension fund.

For more information on the Government Bond Index or any of the indices mentioned above, please contact J.P. Morgan.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Browning-Ferris Industries Inc. (NYSE:BFI) Tuesday declared an increase in the corporation's regular quarterly cash dividend on common stock and established the date for the company's annual meeting of stockholders.

The cash dividend of 17 cents per common share, payable Jan. 4, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 21 was declared at the board's quarterly meeting. It represents an indicated annual rate of 68 cents per common share, up from the prior indicated annual rate of 64 cents per common share.

The board of directors also established that the company's 1991 annual meeting of stockholders will be March 6, 1991, 2 p.m., at The Westchase Hilton, Houston, Texas. Stockholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 4, 1991 will be entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting.

Browning-Ferris Industries Inc. is one of the largest publicly held companies engaged in providing waste services. Subsidiaries and affiliates collect, transport, treat and dispose of commercial, residential and municipal solid waste and industrial wastes. BFI subsidiaries are also involved in recycling, resource recovery facilities, medical waste services, portable restroom services, and municipal and commercial sweeping operations.

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STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Citizens Utilities Tuesday acquired Louisiana General Services Inc., by merger.

In the merger each share of Louisiana General Common Stock was converted into .8 shares of Citizen's Series B Common Stock. Approximately 4.2 million shares of Citizens' Series B Common Stock were issued in the merger, having an approximate market value as of the close of business on Monday, Dec. 3, of $93.6 million.

Leonard Tow, chairman and chief executive officer of Citizens, said, ''We welcome Louisiana General into the Citizens family and are confident that this new relationship will benefit all of our employees, shareholders and the communities we serve.'' Louisiana General's president, James Swenson, commented, ''I could not be happier for both our employees and share holders. Louisiana General Services welcomes the new challenge and opportunity.''

Citizens Utilities is a diversified operating public utility providing telecommunications, electic, gas, water and wastewater services to more than 735,000 consumer connections in 13 states: Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Nevada, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Utah, Vermont and, now, Louisiana. Louisiana General Services is principally engaged in residential, commercial and industrial gas operations in Louisiana.

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Jeanette H. Clonan, 203/329-5090

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MEMPHIS, TN (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Seven Oaks International Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:QPON) Tuesday reported a net loss of $2,515,000, or 39 cents per share, for the second quarter of its 1991 fiscal year.

The loss included a charge of $1,486,000, or 23 cents per share, relating to the restructuring of certain of the company's operations. Revenues for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990, totaled $3,263,000 compared with $5,947,000 a year ago.

For the first half, Seven Oaks reported a loss of $3,500,000, or 54 cents per share, including the restructuring charge. That compares with income in the year-earlier period of $360,000, or 6 cents per share.

Revenues for the first six months totaled $7,655,000 vs. $12,050,000 in the year-earlier period.

The results for the year-earlier periods reflect continuing operations and exclude the losses related to the operation and sale of the company's

redemption agency subsidiary in fiscal 1990.

Frank J. Donato, chief executive officer, said that the restructuring charge was due principally to changes being implemented to match the company's operations with the continuing reduction in coupon volume.

Donato said that the company is starting to benefit from the steps being taken to improve the return on the clearinghouse operations. He commented: ''We had expected to attain more momentum during the second quarter but are encouraged about some of the trends which are now clearly evident.

Donato said that Seven Oaks processed 213 million coupons during the second quarter, down from 293 million in the first period. He remarked: ''The decline in our volume relates directly to additional changes in our customer base. The underlying interest in couponing by manufacturers remains high, and we are moving now to market our clearinghouse services through new, innovative payment plans.''

Donato concluded by noting that the company's bank borrowings were reduced further during the quarter to $12.3 million. He said: ''The debt outstanding at the end of October represented $20.1 million less than the level at the start of this fiscal year. Reducing interest costs remains a key element in our turnaround strategy. Realizing this goal will likely mean a further decline in coupon volume during the second half.

Seven Oaks International operates as a clearinghouse between retailers and product manufacturers in processing cents-off coupons. The company's common shares are traded over-the-counter under the National Market System symbol QPON.

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Tommy R. Thompson, 901/683-7055.

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MONROE, LA (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Century Telephone Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:CTL) Tuesday announced that the board of directors voted to declare a quarterly cash dividend of $.1050 per share, payable on Dec. 24, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

Century Telephone Enterprises Inc., headquartered in Monroe, is a diversified telecommunications company with operations in 15 states.

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PALO ALTO, CALIF. (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Co. (NYSE:HWP) Tuesday introduced five business systems and servers that deliver mainframe-level performance at minicomputer size and price.

Four of the new computers provide triple the performance that was previously available in the midrange of the HP 9000 and HP 3000 families. The fifth computer broadens the performance of the high-end of the HP 9000 family.

The computers are designed for client-server and multiuser applications. They are the midrange HP 9000 Models 842S and 852S servers, the midrange HP 3000 Series 948 and 958 systems and servers and the high-end HP 9000 Model 865S server.

The computers combine two leading-edge technologies -- submicron CMOS (complementary metal-oxide semiconductor) and Precision Architecture-RISC (reduced-instruction-set computing) -- to achieve breakthroughs in price/performance(a).

Submicron CMOS technology allows HP to design extremely dense chips that greatly increase processor performance. PA-RISC allows HP to build systems that are less expensive than comparable systems using traditional architectures.

Tuesday's announcement represents the first implementation of these breakthrough technologies for HP's midrange business systems and servers. In October, HP began volume shipments of high-end computers based on submicron CMOS and PA-RISC.

''Developing cost-effective, enterprisewide computing environments is one of the key priorities for commercial users today,'' said Willem P. Roelandts, an HP vice president and general manager of the company's Computer Systems Group. ''HP's advanced RISC-technology computers let customers implement applications that put processing power at users' fingertips.''

The new business systems and servers combine advances in processor performance with a broad set of capabilities. As a result, customers can run mission-critical applications without the high cost and cumbersome operation of mainframes.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries.

HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $13.2 billion in its 1990 fiscal year.

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-30- 2706
#90338b0790 12/04/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (DEC, 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. announced that Carol Bellamy has joined the firm Tuesday as a managing director in its public finance department.

Alan C. Greenberg, chairman and chief executive officer of Bear Stearns, welcomed the former New York City Council President to Bear Stearns and stated ''We look forward to Carol's return to the investment banking business. We believe she will make a major contribution to our public finance effort.''

Bellamy stated that she is pleased to join Bear Stearns. ''As Bear Stearns is one of the top securities firms committed to the public finance sector, there is enormous diversity in their business and therefore, many opportunities to apply my experience to new situations.''

William H. Hayden, the senior managing director who heads Bear Stearns Public Finance Department, stated that Bellamy will concentrate her efforts on advising municipal and state governments and will pursue new business in several regions of the country.

Before her recent bid for Comptroller, Bellamy, 48, was a principal with Morgan Stanley & Co.'s Tax Exempt Department from January 1986 through mid 1990. She served as an elected official for over 13 years.

From 1978 to 1986, she was president of the City Council of New York after having served as a State Senator from Brooklyn from 1973 to 1977. Bellamy began her career as an associate of Cravath, Swaine & Moore. A native of New York City, she is a 1968 graduate of New York University Law School.

Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. is a subsidiary of The Bear Stearns Cos. Inc. (NYSE:BSC), a leading investment banking and brokerage firm headquartered in New York City. The securities firm is engaged in corporate and public finance and mergers and acquisitions, institutional equities, fixed income sales and trading, individual investor sales, asset management and correspondent clearing.

CONTACT: Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., New York
Fabianne Gershon, 212/272-2400

-30- 2177
#90338b0791 12/04/1990 ~Business Wire

CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Xerox Imaging Systems (XIS) and Avalanche Development Co. Tuesday announced a standard interface between XIS' intelligent character recognition (ICR) products and Avalanche's intelligent visual recognition and document markup technology.

The interface, known as KDOC, was developed by XIS and Avalanche to allow users to bring text files into Avalanche's advanced markup system, FasTAG. FasTAG automatically marks up text for applications such as electronic publishing, composition, hypertext and full text databases.

Access to the text file was previously available only through XIS in the Kurzweil CALS System. The interface is now available through Avalanche as part of its standard product line.

The KDOC option produces an enriched text file during the ICR process. This file contains page coordinate information for each word, accurately identifies zones and provides detailed font and format information. This information is then passed to Avalanche's Visual Recognition Engine and is used to recognize the logical structure of the document and to automatically markup the document according to user-defined specifications.

''Xerox Imaging Systems was the only vendor capable of providing intelligent character recognition and successfully identifying, capturing and maintaining the structure of each document during document manipulation,'' said Haviland Wright, president, Avalanche Development Co.

Avalanche Development Co. of Boulder, Colo., is the leading producer of intelligent markup software serving a wide range of publishing applications. In addition to FastTAG and IMSYS.CALS, Avalanche also produces customized versions of its technology providing a critical link to electronic publishing, composition, full text database and hypertext systems.

Xerox Imaging Systems is an industry leader in desktop scanning, image processing and text recognition for IBM PC, PS/2 and Apple Macintosh Systems. XIS was formed by the merger of Datacopy Corp. and Kurzweil Computer Products.

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-30- 2425
#90338b0811 12/04/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of United Industrial

Corp. on Dec. 4, declared a quarterly dividend of 16 cents per share on its common stock, payable Feb. 28, 1991 to stockholders of record on Jan. 18, 1991.

CONTACT: United Industrial Corp., New York
Howard M. Bloch, 212/752-8787

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#90338c0002 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Biogenetic Sciences Inc.(TICKER: MABX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(496,000)	$(469,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.16)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,913,000	2,750,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,146,000	$423,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,540,000	$(3,288,000)

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#90338c0003 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Boatmen's Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: BOAT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$34,714,000	$32,077,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.00	$0.92

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$14,950,087,000	$14,542,400,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,130,088,000	$1,085,916,000

-30- 836

#90338c0004 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by National Western Life Insurance Co.(TICKER: NWLI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$59,064,000	$50,493,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,066,000	$1,451,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.59	$0.41

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,167,305,000	$1,908,181,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$105,141,000	$101,172,000

-30- 1045

#90338c0005 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Leak-X Corp.(TICKER: LEAK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$311,846	$62,029
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(233,247)	$(342,846)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.05)

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,973,144	6,908,500

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$632,284	$1,642,477
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$24,944	$1,023,181

-30- 1048

#90338c0006 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Advanced Marketing Services Inc.(TICKER: ADMS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$40,721,000	$45,527,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(129,000)	$639,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.11
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,850,000	5,840,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$109,631,000	$88,318,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$37,792,000	$38,336,000

-30- 1101

#90338c0007 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:21 that trade in Basset Furniture Ind. Inc.(NASDAQ: BSET) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 31.

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#90338c0009 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:35 that trade in American General Corp. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol AGC.

-30- 346
#90338c0029 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:05 that trade in Bassett Furniture Ind. Inc.(NASDAQ: BSET) has been resumed. The first sale was 30 1/4; down 3/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 373
#90338c0030 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:11 that trade in MTC Electronics Technologies Co. LTD.(NASDAQ: MTCE) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 15/16, 15/16. The company is located in Richmond, B.C..

-30- 388
#90338c0031 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Tacoma Boatbuilding has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol TBO. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

-30- 349
#90338c0032 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Gleason Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol GLE. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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#90338c0033 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in American General Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol. Trading was resumed at 10:10.

-30- 352
#90338c0034 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:36 that trade in Child World Inc.(NASDAQ: CWLD) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/4; down 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 345
#90338c0036 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by VMS Mortgage Investors L.P.(TICKER: VMLP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$98,096	$2,450,146
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(713,320)	$117,740
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$0.02

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,499,116	$32,235,895
TOTAL PARTNERS' CAPITAL	$17,902,919	$30,525,284

-30- 1013

#90338c0037 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by VMS Mortgage Investors L.P. II.(TICKER: VMTG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$158,572	$3,535,780
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,618,066)	$(3,796,352)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$(0.30)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$25,915,975	$70,675,711
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$25,032,479	$68,218,428

-30- 1048

#90338c0038 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Electrosource Inc.(TICKER: ELSI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$37,900	$201,558
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(587,062)	$(463,597)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$(0.10)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,146,798	4,803,118

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,909,738	$4,503,100
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,705,493	$3,598,185

The company is a development stage enterprise, and reports it has not earned significant revenues from its intended operations of research and development of technologies related to lead-acid, rechargeable storage batteries. Its executive address is 3800B Drossett Drive, Austin, Texas 78744-1131. Its telephone number is (512) 445-6606.

-30- 1415
#90338c0039 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Water Resources(TICKER: WATR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,694	$83,128
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(170,333)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(37,939)	$(256,696)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.04)

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,554,462	6,087,795

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$742,461	$2,431,004
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$438,821	$1,704,068

-30- 1081

#90338c0040 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by VMS Strategic Land Trust.(TICKER: VLAN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,070,212	$4,132,041
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,409,702	$3,183,374
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	$0.27
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,993,751	11,993,751

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$88,783,036	$87,612,779
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$84,736,443	$79,021,663

-30- 1097

#90338c0041 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Marine Midland Banks Inc.(TICKER: MM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$11,394,000

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(111,509,000)	$52,200,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$23,618,690,000	$27,066,546,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,140,471,000	$980,442,000

-30- 835

#90338c0042 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Capital Southwest Corp.(TICKER: CSWC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$974,948	$828,329
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$310,808	$191,354

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$139,368,463	$185,231,214
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$90,727,358	$94,610,216

-30- 946

#90338c0044 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Commercial Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: FSCB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,885,000	$1,718,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.50	$0.45

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$745,829,000	$697,430,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$62,126,000	$58,592,000

-30- 831

#90338c0045 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Aspen Exploration Corp.(TICKER: ASPN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$152,275	$138,607
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(45,089)	$(28,372)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	20,876,370	20,866,370

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,335,336	$1,396,547
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,165,974	$1,211,063

-30- 1058

#90338c0046 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Kansas City Life Insurance Co.(TICKER: KCLI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$69,942,000	$67,759,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$6,293,000	$4,390,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.98	$0.62
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,483,875	7,225,081

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,941,430	$1,878,495
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$296,856	$302,888

-30- 1100

#90338c0047 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Capitol Bancorp Ltd.(TICKER: CBCL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$515,000	$304,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	$0.12

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$98,129,000	$69,549,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,932,000	$11,586,000

-30- 806

#90338c0048 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Interim Systems Corp.(TICKER: INSY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$53,576,000	$55,652,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$892,000	$1,148,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.04

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$78,309,000	$78,482,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$44,465,000	$42,494,000

-30- 989

#90338c0049 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Hart Industries Inc.(TICKER: HRTI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$317,874	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$19,907	$(164,242)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	41,434,703	34,411,894

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,964,688	$2,426,261
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,525,697	$2,183,790

-30- 1085

#90338c0050 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by VMS Strategic Land Fund II.(TICKER: VSLF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$1,136,707	$6,480,783
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(382,575)	$5,123,291
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.27
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	19,266,268	19,266,268

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$117,284,611	$124,788,134
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$116,170,663	$118,583,044

-30- 1097

#90338c0052 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY TAMANDA CORP. OWNS 445,370 SHARES (6.46%) OF MAJOR REALTY CORP. (TICKER: MAJR) OF ORLANDO, FLORIDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Tamanda Corp., et al. purchased 75,000 shares from Nov. 8-23, 1990 for $6.75 to $7 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90338c0053 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A. COURT TRUST OWNS 1,035,304 SHARES (8.36%) OF RATNERS GROUP PLC (TICKER: RATN) OF LONDON, ENGLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

A. Court Trust acquired the shares pursuant to an amended and restated agreement and plan of merger dated July 1, 1990 among Kay Jewelers Inc., KJ Acquisition Inc. and the company. The Trust received 1,035,304 preferred

shares in exchange for the same number of common shares.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares from merger agreement.

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#90338c0054 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY G.V. SMITH OWNS 301,967 SHARES (10.20%) OF MARYLAND FEDERAL BANCORP INC.(TICKER: MFSL) OF HYATTSVILLE, MARYLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 30, 1990, a representative of G.V. Smith, et al. met with the chairman and president of Maryland Federal Bancorp Inc. to present a proposal for a business combination of Maryland Federal Bancorp Inc. with Providence Savings and Loan Association in which stockholders of Maryland Federal Bancorp Inc. would receive $9 per share as a cash dividend.

PURPOSE:

Proposed business combination.

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#90338c0055 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GOLDEN OIL CO. DEL OF HOUSTON, TEXAS OWNS 3,458,359 SHARES (43.40%) OF COBB RESOURCES CORP.(TICKER: COBB) OF ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an agreement dated Oct. 15, 1990, Anthony Petrelli was elected to the board of Cobb Resources Corp. as a second designee of Golden. McElvenny was named president and CEO and Lotspiech was named chairman and COO. On Nov. 28, 1990, Golden and the company entered into a merger agreement whereby, upon approval by shareholders of Cobb, Cobb will be merged into a Golden subsidiary and each outstanding share will be exchanged for .68 of a share of Golden common.

PURPOSE:

Merger agreement.

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#90338c0058 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Investment Technologies Inc.(TICKER: IVES).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$34,837	$33,550
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(246,282)	$(221,574)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING		

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,020,546	$580,786
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$764,870	$213,487

-30- 1048

#90338c0059 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Symetrics Industries Inc.(TICKER: SYMT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$798,382	$1,355,692
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$6,016	$(63,142)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	789,430	826,190

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,375,662	$2,782,811
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(82,710)	$82,710)

-30- 1072

#90338c0060 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Edison Control Corp.(TICKER: EDCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$264,300	$245,997
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(156,934)	$(55,471)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,100,000	2,100,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,420,417	$6,668,351
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,229,491	$6,451,015

-30- 1076

#90338c0062 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Queen City Broadcasting Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,172,530	$5,798,117
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$663,013	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(468,551)	$(1,659,753)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.46)	$(1.64)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,010,000	1,010,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$62,919,535	$63,914,242
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(9,835,163)	$(7,651,551)

-30- 1073

#90338c0063 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Vegas Chips Inc.(TICKER: VCHP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$373,600	$284,100
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(123,800)	$(79,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,688,853	13,870,852

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,498,200	$1,669,400
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,379,500	$1,546,700

-30- 1082

#90338c0064 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by North American Bancorporation Inc.(TICKER: NOAB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(773,000)	$232,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.55)	$0.17
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,407,882,000	1,407,882,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$178,831,000	$202,544,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,130,000	$10,588,000

-30- 898

#90338c0065 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 21 1990, Infotechnology Inc.(TICKER: ITCH) and Financial News Network Inc. (TICKER: FNNI) released a joint press release stating the NASD had granted the companies temporary exceptions to one of the listing requirements of the NASDAQ system.

The exception was granted with respect to Infotech's and FNN's lateness, previously announced, in filing their annual reports for their fiscal years ended June 30, 1990 with the SEC.

The NASD has given Infotech and FNN until Dec. 7 to file their annual reports and their Sept. 30 quarterly reports.

Until the two firms are in full compliance with the NASD listing rules, the letter "E" will appear at the end of their NASDAQ trading symbols.

-30- 948

#90338c0066 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 21 1990, the accounting firm of Laventhol & Horwath filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection and discontinued its practice nationally.

Laventhol's actions preclude them from continuing as independent accountants for McCaw (TICKER: MCAW) and McCaw reports it has not yet completed the selection of a replacement accounting firm.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 1074

#90338c0067 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 20 1990, Visitel Network Inc. appointed Pierey, Bowler, Taylor and Kern as its independent accountants.

Laventhol & Horwath, Visitel's previous accountants, resigned effective Nov. 20, 1990 due to its impending bankruptcy..

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years was not completed.

Visitel's executive office is located at 2860 East Flamingo Road, Suite D, Las Vegas, Nevada 89121 and its telephone number is (702) 735-1684.

-30- 1002

#90338c0068 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Merit Diversified International Inc.(TICKER: MRDV) reporting it traded 860,000 restricted shares on Form 144 to Gary R. Benson for an interest in his Guard Dog Security units.

Merit also reports it traded 1.5 million restricted shares on Form 144 to Mercury Motion Picture Productions International Inc.

In exchange, Merit received a 14 percent interest in Mecury Motion Picture.

Merit's executive office is located at 25 Poncetta Drive, Suite 307, Daly City California 94015 and its telephone number is (415) 994-9926.

-30- 734

#90338c0070 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 12 1990, Robert R. Rubin resigned as an officer and a director of Texas Tortilla Bakery Inc.

The company's executive office is located at 16 Barrow Street, New York, New York 10014 and its telephone number is (212) 929-4200.

-30- 455

#90338c0071 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - Allied Research Corp.(TICKER: ARAI) filed a Form 8-K with the SEC stating on Nov. 16, 1990, M.B. Ruffin died.

Mr. Ruffin served as chairman of the board of directors of Allied Research and its chief executive officer from 1971 to May, 1990.

Since May 1990, Mr. Ruffin has served as chairma of the board of directors and a consultant to Allied Research.

-30- 527

#90338c0072 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows as of Oct. 31, 1990, American Veterinary Products Inc. appointed Pannell Kerr Forster as its independent accountants.

The company's executive office is located at 1413 Duff Drive, Fort Collins, Colorado 80524 and its telephone number is (303) 484-6100.

-30- 495

#90338c0073 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Commercial Acquisitions Corp. has elected to extend the expiration period of Class A warrants from Oct. 26, 1990 to Oct. 26, 1991.

The exercise price for the Class A warrants remains at $0.02.

The company's Class B warrants and Class C warrants have been extended from Oct. 26, 1991 to Oct. 26, 1992 and Oct. 26, 1192 to Oct. 26, 1993, respectively.

The exercise price for the Class B warrants remains at $0.04 and the exercise price for the Class C warrants will stay at $0.055.

The company's executive office is located at 1424-A Larimer Square, Suite 207, Denver, Colorado 80202 and its telephone number is (303) 629-8777.

-30- 863

#90338c0074 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - Pacific Dunlop Ltd.(TICKER: PDLP) filed a Form

20-F with the NASD stating it earned $259 million, or $0.36 per share, on revenues of $5.24 billion for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $178 million, or $0.26 per share, on revenues of $4.57 billion in fiscal 1989.

NOTE: All amounts in Australian dollars stated in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

-30- 597

#90338c0075 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Schwerman Trucking Co.(TICKER: SRTR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 29,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,551,391	$14,644,030
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$475,716	$851,603
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.06	$1.95
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	422,089	422,089

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 29, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$28,477,968	$28,501,491
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,305,782	$5,533,068

-30- 1079

#90338c0076 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Morgro Chemical Co.(TICKER: MRGR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$373,213	$394,862

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(137,881)	$(104,842)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,451,997	20,500,352

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,676,712	$2,735,558
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$587,773	$739,363

-30- 1071

#90338c0078 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - Ranger International Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 218,750 units.

Each unit consists of three shares of Class B, non-voting common stock and one warrant to purchase one share of Class B stock of the company.

The initial public offering price is $16.00 per unit.

Euro-Atlantic Securities Inc. is underwriting the offering.

Ranger International is engaged in the design and manufacture of banners, flags, and point-of-purchase displays.

The company's executive office is located at 1518 S.W. 12th Ave., Ocala, Florida 32764 and its telephone number is (904) 867-7860.

-30- 809

#90338c0079 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - On Queue Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 2.40 million Class C warrants.

The Class C warrants are to be converted to common shares, each warrant consisting of one share of common stock. The offering price is $3.00 per Class C warrant.

The company states on July 2, 1990, its closing bid and asked prices for its common stock in the over-the-counter market, has reported by its principal market maker, were $5.00 and $5.50, respectively.

On Queue is engaged in the license, manufacture and market of an electronic family planning device, termed the Ovulmeter.

The company's executive office is located at 9815 Carroll Canyon Road, Suite 210, San Diego, California 92131 and its telephone number is (619) 695-9555.

-30- 969

#90338c0080 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - Prentice Capital Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 7.5 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock, 8 Class A warrants, 8 Class B warrants and 8 Class C warrants.

The initial public offfering price is $0.01 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 5600 Greenwood Plaza Blvd., Suite 206, Englewood, Colorado 80111 and its telephone number is (303) 773-9021.

-30- 772

#90338c0081 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - Fonic Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 700,000 units.

Each unit consists of two shares of common stock and two redeemable Class A warrants. Each redeemable warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock at an exercise price of $3.25.

The price per unit is $5.00.

American Bond Group Inc. is underwriting the offering.

Fonic, through its subsidiaries, is engaged in the design, development, manufacture, assembly, and marketing of audio products.

The company's executive office is located at 6th Floor, Block A, Po Yip Factory Building, 391-407, Sah Tsui Road, Tsuen Wan, N.T. Hong Kong.

-30- 849

#90338c0082 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 15 1990, Arthur Andersen & Co. resigned as the auditor for Nalcap Holdings Inc.(TICKER: NPHI), a majority-owned subsidiary of Asiamerica Equities Ltd. (TICKER: ASIA).

-30- 396
#90338c0083 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 20 1990, Software Publishing Corp.(TICKER: SPCO) dismissed Coopers & Lybrand as its independent accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

Software Publishing engaged the firm of Price Waterhouse as its new independent accountants as of Nov. 21, 1990.

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#90338c0084 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 10 1990, MJC Enterprises Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of CopyMat Inc., sold the stock of CopyMat Corp. to Golden West Development Bancorp in exchange for an eight-year note in the amount of $1.65 million.

Golden West is a newly formed Nevada corporation formed to acquire the stock of CopyMat.

The sale is part of a plan of reorganization presented to CopyMat's creditors.

The company reports its amended plan of reorganization had not been implemented as of Nov. 23, 1990.

The company's address is 6111 Johnson Court, Suite 209, Pleasanton, California 94588, and its telephone number is (415) 734-0950.

-30- 873
#90338c0086 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows pursuant to the terms of an exchange agreement dated as of Nov. 14, 1990, between Cash America Investments Inc.(TICKER: PWN) and Eppler, Guerin & Turner Inc., Cash America has acquired an outstanding warrant to purchase 96,570 shares of Eppler's common stock formerly owned by Eppler.

This transaction was in exchange for 41,875 shares of commmon stock.

The warrant was issued to Eppler in connection with the company's initial public offering.

Eppler acted as managing underwriter for the offering.

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#90338c0087 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that H.F. Lenfest, the largest shareholder of TelVue Corp., and Science Dynamics Corp., (TICKER: SIDY) another significant shareholder and creditor of the company, have agreed to provide the firm with further financial support.

Lenfest has agreed, TelVue reports, to lend the company up to an additional $2.0 million on an as-needed basis, provided such funding may cease if Lenfest determines that TelVue will not be able to achieve net income on a consistent basis.

Science has agreed to reduce TelVue's indebtedness under an outstanding note to Science by approximately $436,000 and to extend without interest the due date of the remaining $541,000 to Dec. 31, 1991.

The company's executive offices are located at Building No. 37, Cherry Hill Industrial Park, Springdale Road, Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08003.

Its telephone number is (609) 424-5020.

-30- 1109

#90338c0088 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 29 1990, O'Deli Corp. (the "company") merged with and into Culinary Capital Corp., (CCC) pursuant to which CCC issued one share of its common stock for each share of O'Deli's outstanding common stock.

CCC also issued one share of its Class A, Class B and Class C preferred stock for each share of the company's outstanding Class A, Class B and Class C preferred stock. CCC is the surviving corporation.

CCC was organized in October, 1990, for the sole purpose of completing a merger between the company and CCC, to allow the company to reincorporate its operations in Nevada and change its corporate name to Culinary Capital Corp.

The company's executive address is 65 Battery Street, Third Floor, San Francisco, California 94110.

Its telephone number is (415) 765-1500.

-30- 1015

#90338c0089 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 14 1990, Hana Biologics(TICKER: HANA) and Somatix Corp. entered a merger agreement whereby Somatix will be merged into Hana.

At closing of the merger, Hana Series A preferred stock will be converted into common stock on a basis (after giving effect to the reverse split) of 12.5 shares of common stock for each share of Series A preferred stock.

Additionally, Hana purchased 1.03 million shares of Somatix Series C preferred stock for $3.0 million, pursuant to a Series C Convertible Stock Purchase Agreement by and among Hana, Somatix and certain other investors.

Also, on Nov. 13, 1990, Dr. Ken Yabusaki, Hana and certain other parties entered a settlement agreement pursuant to which Hana has agreed to pay to Yabusaki $350,000 in consideration for Yabusaki's release of all current and future claims against Hana and the other parties.

-30- 1085

#90338c0090 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 29 1990, Legends Co. of Chicago (TICKER: LGND) engaged the firm of BDO Seidman as its independent accountants.

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#90338c0091 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Knusaga Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,243,928	$1,745,742
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(258,937)	$(147,016)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.03)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$883,110	$654,360
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(408,194)	$(149,257)

-30- 973

#90338c0092 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Double Eagle Petroleum and Mining Co. (TICKER: DBLE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$787,769	$703,057
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$27,783	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$130,009	$(139,520)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,995,058	1,981,228

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,854,172	$1,726,508
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,757,230	$1,627,221

-30- 1121

#90338c0094 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:36 that trade in Reuters Holdings PC (NASDAQ: RTRS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 35 1/2. The company is located in New York, New York.

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#90338c0095 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 16:00 that trade in News Corp. LTD. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol NWS.

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#90338c0096 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.R. SCHIFFNER OF 7603 NE 175TH, BOTHELL, WASHINGTON 98011, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BIG SKY USA INC. THROUGH KO SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 23, 1990.

(BIG SKY USA INC. TEL: 206 771-7000)

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#90338c0097 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.M.W. SCOTT OF 5555 PEACHTREE DUNWOODY RD, SUITE G-99, ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30342, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF METRO MOBILE COURTS INC. (TICKER: MMZ) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 29, 1990.

(METRO MOBILE COURTS INC. TEL: 212 605-0800)

-30- 450
#90338c0098 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J.M. ECKHART OF 20555 SH 249, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77070, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,000 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 29, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 456-4500)

-30- 429
#90338c0099 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL J TERRA OF 990 SKOKIE BLVD, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,500 SHARES OF LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: LAW) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 312 498-4700)

-30- 422
#90338c0100 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEIL E RASMUSSEN OF 267 BOSTON RD #2, BILLERICA, MA 01862, HAS FILED TO SELL 31,371 SHARES OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. TEL: 401 789-5735)

-30- 456
#90338c0102 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL L DRAKE OF 2320 MARINSHIP WAY, SAUSALITO, CA 94965, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,258 SHARES OF AUTODESK INC. (TICKER: ACAD) THROUGH MORGAN GRENFELL INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(AUTODESK INC. TEL: 415 332-2344)

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#90338c0103 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PERRY KRAPE OF 31 MOTT LANE, BROOKHAVEN, NY 11719, HAS FILED TO SELL 51,500 SHARES OF PDK LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: PDKL) THROUGH FINL SECS RESOURCES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(PDK LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 516 585-3000)

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#90338c0104 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLEN JEANINE A TRUST OF 70 NE MULTNUMAH ST, SUITE 1600, PORTLAND, OR 97232, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PACIFICORP (TICKER: PPW) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(PACIFICORP TEL: 503 731-2000)

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#90338c0105 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLEN PETER G TRUST OF 70 NE MULTNUMAH ST, SUITE 1600, PORTLAND, OR 97232, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PACIFICORP (TICKER: PPW) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(PACIFICORP TEL: 503 731-2000)

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#90338c0106 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER G ALLEN OF 700 NE MULTNOMAH STE 1600, PORTLAND, OR 97232, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,000 SHARES OF PACIFICORP (TICKER: PPW) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(PACIFICORP TEL: 503 731-2000)

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#90338c0107 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GORDON RUSSELL OF 297 MAPACHE DR, PORTOLA VALLEY, CA 94028, HAS FILED TO SELL 125,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH CONWAY WILLIAMS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

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#90338c0108 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ZUKOR JAMES & GISELA TRUST OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,541 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH QUICK & REILLY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 430
#90338c0110 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALGREEN JAMES A TRUST OF 200 WILMOT RD, DEERFIELD, IL 60015, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,000 SHARES OF WALGREEN CO. (TICKER: WAG) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(WALGREEN CO. TEL: 708 940-2500)

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#90338c0111 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - YOST FAMILY TRUST OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,956 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 418
#90338c0112 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOXER OF 122 CLIPPER LANE, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 402
#90338c0113 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WAYNE GARRISON OF 2755 MCCOWAN'S FERRY RD, VERSAILLES, KY 40383, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF HUNT (J.B.) TRANSPORT SERVICES I (TICKER: JBHT) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(HUNT (J.B.) TRANSPORT SERVICES I TEL: 501 659-8800)

-30- 456
#90338c0114 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LUTZ GREGORY P TTEE OF 2320 MARINSHIP WAY, SAUSALITO, CA 94965, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AUTODESK INC. (TICKER: ACAD) THROUGH MORGAN GRENFELL INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(AUTODESK INC. TEL: 415 332-2344)

-30- 412
#90338c0115 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD G OTTO OF 8401 EAST VISTA, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85250, HAS FILED TO

SELL 100,000 SHARES OF INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES I (TICKER: IMTX) THROUGH R G DICKINSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES I TEL: 602 443-3093)

-30- 459
#90338c0116 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ISAAC ARNOLD JR OF 601 JEFFERSON, SUITE 4010, HOUSTON, TX 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,800 SHARES OF CULLEN/FROST BANKERS INC. (TICKER: CFBI) THROUGH ANDERSON CHENEVIERE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(CULLEN/FROST BANKERS INC. TEL: 512 220-5904)

-30- 442
#90338c0118 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PATRICK MCCARTHY OF 809 WEADLEY RD, 0, STRAFFORD, PA 19087, HAS FILED TO SELL 99,335 SHARES OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. TEL: 215 540-0190)

-30- 420
#90338c0119 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BAAS MICHAEL TRUST OF ONE SUGAR CREEK CENTER BLVD, SUGARLAND, TX 77478, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 263-0318)

-30- 431
#90338c0120 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MOORES FOUNDATION OF ONE SUGAR CREEK CENTER, SUITE 700, SUGARLAND, TX 77487, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(BMC SOFTWARE INC. TEL: 713 240-8800)

-30- 435
#90338c0121 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD L SINGER OF 9 GLEN AVON DR, RIVERSIDE, CT 06878, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,419 SHARES OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(JAMES RIVER CORP. TEL: 804 644-5411)

-30- 399
#90338c0122 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MORGRIDGE JOHN & TASHIA TTEES OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 443
#90338c0123 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHAW VENTURE PARTNERS OF 111 S W FIFTH AVE #2200, PORTLAND, OR 97204, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 449
#90338c0124 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VENTURE MANAGEMENT INC PSP & TR OF 614 MCKINLEY PL N E, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF TECHNE CORP. (TICKER: TECH) THROUGH R J STEICHEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(TECHNE CORP. TEL: 612 379-8854)

-30- 431
#90338c0126 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES F SCHROEDER III OF 400 LIVE OAK ST, MANDEVILLE, LA 70448, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,531 SHARES OF INTERTRANS CORP. (TICKER: ITRN) THROUGH SAN JACINTO SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(INTERTRANS CORP. TEL: 214 929-8888)

-30- 420
#90338c0127 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALFRED D MARTIN JR OF 2422 BUTLER ST, 0, DALLAS, TX 75235, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON CO. (TICKER: GHX) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(GALVESTON-HOUSTON CO. TEL: 713 966-2500)

-30- 421
#90338c0128 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KEITH B STEWART OF 11 LA SENDA PL, SOUTH LAGUNA, CA 92677, HAS FILED TO SELL 41,098 SHARES OF GRADCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: GRCO) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(GRADCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 714 770-1223)

-30- 420
#90338c0129 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - YETTA G SAMFORD JR OF P O BOX 2345, OPELIKA, AL 36801, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF TORCHMARK CORP. (TICKER: TMK) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(TORCHMARK CORP. TEL: 205 325-4200)

-30- 403
#90338c0130 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - REYES GREGORIO & VANESSA TRUST OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,956 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 440
#90338c0131 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL K SAUNDERS OF 2201 PONCHARTRAIN, LEAGUE CITY, TX 77573, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF STERLING CHEMICALS INC. (TICKER: STX) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(STERLING CHEMICALS INC. TEL: 713 650-3700)

-30- 433
#90338c0132 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHENS INC OF 114 EAST CAPITOL, LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ALLTEL CORP. (TICKER: AT) THROUGH STEPHENS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(ALLTEL CORP. TEL: 501 661-8000)

-30- 383
#90338c0134 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - Blyth Holdings Inc. (BLYH) began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Nov. 30.

-30- 225
#90338c0135 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT J LIVINGSTON OF 8840 PERSHALL RD, HAZELWOOD, MO 63042, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,014 SHARES OF WETTERAU INC. (TICKER: WETT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(WETTERAU INC. TEL: 314 524-5000)

-30- 403
#90338c0136 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - RAYMOND ALBERT LEBLANC OF 6 WINDERMERE, HOUSTON, TX 77063, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF KEYSTONE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: KII) THROUGH LOVETT UNDERWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(KEYSTONE INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 713 466-1176)

-30- 430

#90338c0137 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 3:

SAY Packaging Inc. (SAYPQ); Insuff. No. of active market makers
Sellersville S&L Assn. (SLRV); Acquired by National Penn Bancshares Inc.

The following issues were deleted from NASDAQ effective Nov. 30:

Micron Technology Inc. (MCRN); Listed on NYSE
Wedding Information - Cl A Wts (WINNW); Insuff. No. of active market makers

-30- 559

#90338c0138 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ROGER M MARINO OF 115 LAKE STREET, SHERBOURNE, MA 01770, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF EMC CORP. (MA) (TICKER: EMC) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(EMC CORP. (MA) TEL: 508 435-1000)

-30- 394

#90338c0139 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS C HUTSELL OF 26 SPRING FARM LANE, NORTH OAKS, MN 55127, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: STJM) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(ST. JUDE MEDICAL INC. TEL: 612 483-2000)

-30- 423

#90338c0140 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The Birtcher Corp. (BIRT) changed its name to

Birtcher Medical Systems Inc. (BIRT) effective Dec. 3.

-30- 246
#90338c0142 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Biosonics Inc.(TICKER: BIOS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$25,835	$112,956
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(163,228)	$(242,172)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$495,361	$641,767
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(628,772)	$(212,665)

-30- 969
#90338c0143 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD A FISHMAN OF 200 N ROCKINGHAM AVE, 0, LOS ANGELES, CA 90049, HAS FILED TO SELL 39,800 SHARES OF MEDCO RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: MEDR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(MEDCO RESEARCH INC. TEL: 213 854-1954)

-30- 428
#90338c0144 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHNSON LLOYD & MABEL FDN OF 11620 WILSHIRE BLVD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90025, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,624 SHARES OF NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: NME) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC TEL: 213 315-8000)

-30- 479
#90338c0145 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Arrow Financial Corp.(TICKER: AROW).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,591,000	$2,606,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.56	$0.57
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,605,000	4,606,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$855,739,000	$901,450,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$69,563,000	$56,392,000

-30- 870
#90338c0146 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED F NAZEM OF 11 SKYLINE RIDGE RD, BRIDGEWATER, CT 06752, HAS FILED TO SELL 31,015 SHARES OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CIRRUS LOGIC INC. TEL: 408 945-8300)

-30- 411
#90338c0147 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - REGINALD M MUDD OF 503 DAWN DR, PO BOX 787, LEBANON, TN 37087, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,088 SHARES OF CRACKER BARREL OLD COUNTRY STORE (TICKER: CBRL) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CRACKER BARREL OLD COUNTRY STORE TEL: 615 444-5533)

-30- 468
#90338c0148 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by J. Michaels Inc.(TICKER: MICH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,687,000	$2,720,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$92,000	$90,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$0.10
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	876,282	872,282

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,397,560	$15,431,007
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,899,245	$13,722,273

-30- 1078
#90338c0150 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Megatech Corp.(TICKER: MEGT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$247,799	$421,077
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(45,829)	$3,344
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,652,058	$3,652,058

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$521,535	$666,901
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$317,539	$400,231

-30- 1058
#90338c0151 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN C WALSKE OF 147 THORNDIKE ST, BROOKLINE, MA 02154, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 439
#90338c0152 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE S HAWN OF 101 NORTH SHORELINE, SUITE 600, CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78401, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,625 SHARES OF MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. (TICKER: MCFE) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. TEL: 213 944-0181)

-30- 435
#90338c0153 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Sunrise Bancorp(TICKER: SRSL) of Roseville, CA.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$52,000	$31,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$871,000	$845,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.25	$0.25

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$216,370,000	$185,784,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,499,000	$13,331,000

-30- 882
#90338c0154 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ST JAMES EPISCOPAL SCHOOL OF 602 SOUTH CARANCAHUA, CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78401, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. (TICKER: MCFE) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(MCFARLAND ENERGY INC. TEL: 213 944-0181)

-30- 453
#90338c0155 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WASHINGTON STATE INVTMT BOARD OF 421 SOUTH CAPITAL WAY, FR-31, OLYMPIA, WA 98504, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,688 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 492
#90338c0156 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOXER OF 122 CLIPPER LANE, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 400
#90338c0158 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TURI JOSEFSEN OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,400 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 399

#90338c0159 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRENDAN MCLOUGHLIN OF 7901 STONERIDGE DR, SUITE 100, PLEASANTON, CA 94566, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 713 370-0670)

-30- 440
#90338c0160 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FAYEZ S SAROFIM OF TWO HOUSTON CENTER, SUITE 2907, HOUSTON, TX 77010, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SMLS) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 07, 1990.

(SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 612 420-0700)

-30- 444
#90338c0161 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER O CRISP OF 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA, ROOM 5600, NEW YORK, NY 10112, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. TEL: 617 876-1170)

-30- 442
#90338c0162 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT L WEHLING OF 30 VERMONT AVENUE, WYOMING, OH 45215, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,100 SHARES OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. TEL: 513 983-1100)

-30- 422
#90338c0163 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BERNARD T MARREN OF 23220 MORA GLEN DR, LOS ALTOS, CA 94022, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,956 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 415
#90338c0164 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL B KUKNYO OF 800 WEST 129TH AVE, CROWN POINT, IN 46307, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(ALLWASTE INC. TEL: 713 623-8777)

-30- 402
#90338c0166 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUHAS S PATIL OF 3100 W WARREN AVE, FREMONT, CA 95035, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,713 SHARES OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CIRRUS LOGIC INC. TEL: 408 945-8300)

-30- 403
#90338c0167 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JIM H HOUTZ OF 5255 N 47TH ST, STE 320, PHOENIX, AZ 85018, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,279 SHARES OF CYCARE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CYS) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CYCARE SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 602 952-5300)

-30- 414
#90338c0168 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GREG C CARR OF 1105 MASSACHUSETTS AVE PHB, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 425
#90338c0169 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BIRGIT BRANDENBURG OF 601 WYTHE ST, SUITE 202, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(CEL-SCI CORP. TEL: 703 549-5293)

-30- 408
#90338c0170 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAJENDRA KUMAR OF 3330 W MARKET ST, AKRON, OH 44313, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF TELXON CORP. (TICKER: TLXN) THROUGH MORGAN GRENFELL INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(TELXON CORP. TEL: 216 867-4700)

-30- 386
#90338c0171 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL D PLITMAN OF 7601 OLYMPIA ST N, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55427, HAS FILED TO SELL 116,750 SHARES OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE) THROUGH PROTECTIVE GRP SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(SELECTRONICS INC. TEL: 716 248-9150)

-30- 420
#90338c0172 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN E PROTZEL OF 20736 CELESTE CIRCLE,
CUPERTINP O, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF MASS MICROSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MMIC) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(MASS MICROSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 522-1200)

-30- 436
#90338c0174 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CAESARS WORLD INC. OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA OWNS 16,114,883 SHARES (99.10%) OF CAESARS NEW JERSEY INC.(TICKER: CJN) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CWI announced on Dec. 3, 1990 that it has completed its tender offer and accepted 2,029,297 shares for payment.

-30- 488
#90338c0175 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY HEILBRONER & ASSOCIATES OWNS 1,803,000 SHARES (.03%) OF CORPORATE CAPITAL RESOURCES INC.(TICKER: CCRS).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

H&A has entered into a relationship with Corporate Capital Resources Inc. such that it will provide management, marketing, development and fiscal services to Corporate Capital Resources Inc. Pursuant to a funding and management agreement, H&A agreed to loan Corporate Capital Resources Inc. a minimum of $1.2 million and up to $4 million over two years in exchange for warrants to purchase common stock of Corporate Capital Resources Inc..

-30- 797
#90338c0176 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY AGIA INC. OWNS 601,727 SHARES (21.20%) OF INTERNATIONAL ELECTRONICS INC.(TICKER: IEIB) OF NEEDHAM HEIGHTS, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Agia, et al. received their shares on June 7, 1990, pursuant to the acquisition by International Electronics Inc. of Ecco Electronics Inc.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 535
#90338c0177 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY HENLEY GROUP INC. DEL OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE OWNS 4,857,081 SHARES (22.40%) OF HENLEY PROPERTIES INC.(TICKER: HENP) OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 3,725,000 shares which may be acquired upon exercise of warrant. During the period from Sept. 28, 1990 through Nov. 23, 1990, transactions in Henley Properties class A common stock by directors and executive officers of New Henley totaled 560,295 shares which were surrendered to New Henley upon termination of the Equity Purchase Program on Sept. 28, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 17 through Oct. 16, 1990, 12,000 shares were purchased at a price of $2.63 to $4.13 per share.

-30- 937
#90338c0178 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY NORTH AMERICAN HOLDING CORP. OWNS 3,214,140 SHARES (11.90%) OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC.(TICKER: NAVI) OF MONTVALE, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 19, 1990, the independent administrative committee of North American Ventures Inc. approved the granting of incentive stock options to Mr. Kopko totalling 500,000 shares at the price of $.734 per share exercisable over ten years; approved a loan of $445,000 to Mr. Kopko pursuant to the 1990 employee stock purchase plan which would enable Mr. Kopko to purchase 618,056 shares at a price of $.72 per share; and approved Mr. Kopko's subscription for 215,277

shares of North American Ventures Inc.'s common stock at $.72 per share.

-30- 926
#90338c0179 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY WILLIAMS COS. INC. OF TULSA, OKLAHOMA OWNS 4,592,583 SHARES (62.44%) OF APCO ARGENTINA INC.(TICKER: APAG) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a part of the transaction to purchase additional ordinary shares, Mr. William I. Lee resigned as a member of the board of directors of Apco. Acquisition of the additional 1,519,560 shares gives Williams control of over 62.44 percent of Apco's outstanding ordinary shares which has the effect of giving Williams control over any matter requiring a vote of Apco stockholders, including the election of members of the board of directors.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 19, 1990, Williams Cos. Inc. acquired from Pacific 1,519,560 ordinary shares of Apco's ordinary shares for a purchase price of $16,715,165.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of additional shares.

-30- 1035
#90338c0180 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 3, 1990, the Partnerships mailed to CACI International Inc. (TICKER: CACI) a letter requesting that all stockholders receive the same repurchase benefits as were recently offered to the estate of the former chairman of CACI and requesting that CACI take action in connection with the recent offer by a third party to purchase all outstanding stock of CACI by LHN Group Inc. for $4.50 per share.

-30- 634

#90338c0182 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 30, 1990, the FTC terminated the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act relating to Pennzoil's(TICKER: PZL) previously announced intention to purchase additional shares from time to time.

-30- 441
#90338c0184 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

R.D. HUBBARD OWNS 391,882 SHARES (9.90%) OF HOLLYWOOD PARK ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: HTRF) OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Dec. 3, 1990, Mr. Ron Hubbard announced that the proposal by a committee of directors of Hollywood Park Operating Co. proposing the sale of Hollywood Park and all of its assets is "thoughtless and unworkable" and could result in the end of thoroughbred racing at Hollywood Park.

-30- 650
#90338c0186 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 13, 1990, M.H. EPSTEIN, DIR. OF MINI-COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MICO) BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 874,426.

-30- 342
#90338c0187 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JULY 1, 1990, K.M. FUERST, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GREAT NORTHERN GAS CO. BOUGHT 486,666 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 486,666.

-30- 334
#90338c0188 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MARCH 15, 1990, M.J. DOWNEY, DIR. OF GLOBAL GOVERNMENT PLUS FUND INC. (TICKER: GOV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 334
#90338c0189 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 6, 1990 TO NOV. 19, 1990, A.P. MUELLER, SHAREHOLDER OF LACLEDE STEEL CO. (TICKER: LCLD), SOLD 3,000 SHARES FROM $7.50 TO $9.31 PER SHARE.

-30- 314
#90338c0190 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 4, 1990, P.H. HUBBELL, OFFICER OF MOOG INC. (TICKER: MOG), BOUGHT 2,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,115.

-30- 305
#90338c0192 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, CLARK W JOHNSON, VP OF GALLAGHER (ARTHUR J.) & CO. (TICKER: AJG), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 324
#90338c0193 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JOHN C UPDIKE, DIR. OF ALICO INC. (TICKER: ALCO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,200.

-30- 296
#90338c0194 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, SAMUEL A TAMPOSI, DIR. OF AMOSKEAG BANK SHARES INC.

(TICKER: AMKG), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,000.

-30- 334
#90338c0195 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, HERBERT M COLE, DIV. OFFICER OF AMP INC. (TICKER: AMP), SOLD 293 SHARES AT $41.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 299
#90338c0196 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ALFONSO T YUCHENGCO, DIR. OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC. (TICKER: APB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,400.

-30- 331
#90338c0197 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, MICHAEL B COONEY, VP OF GREEN (A.P.) INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: APGI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,780.

-30- 315
#90338c0198 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, ERIC D CARLSON, OFFICER OF ASK COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ASKI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 333
#90338c0200 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, RICHARD M SCHULZE, PRES. OF BEST BUY CO. (TICKER: BBY), BOUGHT 31,000 SHARES FROM $4.75 TO $4.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,056,388.

-30- 322
#90338c0201 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, WILLIAM R THOMPSON, DIR. OF BOSTON FIVE BANCORP. (TICKER: BFCS), BOUGHT 851 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,327.

-30- 322
#90338c0202 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, WILLIAM L ADAMS, DIR. OF BMA CORP. (TICKER: BMAC), SOLD 3,974 SHARES AT $24.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90338c0203 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 21, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, JOE E DAVIS, DIR. OF BMC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BMC), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES FROM $3.25 TO $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 330
#90338c0204 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOHN I BLOOMBERG, DIR. OF BALLARD MEDICAL PRODUCT (TICKER: BMED), SOLD 4,900 SHARES AT $27.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,500.

-30- 331
#90338c0205 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, HARRY R DISBROW, DIR. OF B.M.J. FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BMJF), SOLD 6,208 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,879.

-30- 320
#90338c0206 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, RICHARD S WEST, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,124.

-30- 326
#90338c0208 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 09, 1990, RICHARD S WEST, DIR. OF BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CORP. (TICKER: BNHC), SOLD 1,700 SHARES FROM $4.00 TO $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,400.

-30- 357
#90338c0209 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, THOMAS C MCDERMOTT, PRES. OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $61.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,121.

-30- 320
#90338c0210 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, DANIEL G HOLMAN, DIR. OF BIO VASCULAR INC. (TICKER: BVAS), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,000.

-30- 312
#90338c0211 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, EDGAR S WOOLARD JR, DIR. OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,172.

-30- 297
#90338c0212 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, C PHILLIP BROWN, OFFICER OF CEM CORP. (TICKER: CEMX), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,325.

-30- 297
#90338c0213 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, ROBERT A OSWALD, SHAREHOLDER OF THE COLUMBIA GAS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CG), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $48.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,273.

-30- 342
#90338c0214 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, ALTON B DUNCANSON, VP OF COGNITRONICS CORP. (TICKER: CGN), SOLD 589 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51.

-30- 302
#90338c0216 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, ROBERT J MYLOD, DIR. OF CRI INSURED MTG ASSN INC. (TICKER: CMM), BOUGHT 21,000 SHARES FROM $7.00 TO $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,000.

-30- 358
#90338c0217 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MICHAEL J SMALL, VP OF CENTEL CORP. (TICKER: CNT), SOLD 891 SHARES AT $25.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 893.

-30- 286
#90338c0218 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, NORMAN M MEIER, PRES. OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: COB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,600.

-30- 327
#90338c0219 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, NORMAN M MEIER, PRES. OF COLUMBIA LABORATORIES INC.

(TICKER: COB), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,804,234.

-30- 329
#90338c0220 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, THOMAS M BRUNNER, VP OF COHERENT INC. (TICKER: COHR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,079.

-30- 299
#90338c0221 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, DANIEL D BROWNING, DIR. OF COLORADO NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: COLC), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,352.

-30- 345
#90338c0222 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, LEONARD M PERLMUTTER, DIR. OF COLORADO NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: COLC), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,732.

-30- 349
#90338c0224 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, DONATO A SAVINI, PRES. OF CHAMPION PARTS INC. (TICKER: CREB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,557.

-30- 318
#90338c0225 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, J LAWRENCE WILSON, DIR. OF CUMMINS ENGINE CO. (TICKER: CUM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 316
#90338c0226 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, EDMUND J LOPINSKI, CHAIRMAN OF DATRONIC RENTAL CORP. (TICKER: DARC), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 720,746.

-30- 332
#90338c0227 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 09, 1990 TO OCT 19, 1990, CHARLES G BETTY, PRES. OF DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS ASSOC.,INC. (TICKER: DCA), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES FROM $9.13 TO $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 380
#90338c0228 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, RICHARD D STAPLETON, DIR. OF DIME FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DIBK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 324
#90338c0229 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, JAMES F KANE, DIR. OF DELTA WOODSIDE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DLW), SOLD 2,176 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 317
#90338c0230 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, J P BARGER, PRES. OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 755,223.

-30- 300
#90338c0232 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, JAMES E MEAD, DIR. OF FIRST AMARILLO BANCORP. (TICKER: FAMA), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114.

-30- 317
#90338c0233 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, DONALD P QUINLAN, DIR. OF FIRST EMPIRE STATE CORP. (TICKER: FES), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 320
#90338c0234 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 29, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, JOHN C SERAMUR, PRES. OF FIRST FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FFHC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,260.

-30- 340
#90338c0235 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, JOHN S HOLBROOK, DIR. OF F & M FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP.(WI) (TICKER: FMFS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,763.

-30- 334
#90338c0236 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, LAWRENCE F KLIMA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), SOLD 303 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,320.

-30- 360
#90338c0237 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, LAWRENCE F KLIMA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL PENNSYLVANIA CORP. (TICKER: FNPC), BOUGHT 303 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,543.

-30- 362
#90338c0238 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JAMES M BAHIN, OFFICER OF FUQUA INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FQA), SOLD 8,500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90338c0240 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUN 01, 1990 TO JUN 07, 1990, CHARLES P JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GDC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,688,780.

-30- 362
#90338c0241 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAR 15, 1990 TO MAR 22, 1990, WILLIAM S LAWRENCE, VP OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GDC), SOLD 4,000 SHARES FROM $4.00 TO $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,458.

-30- 359
#90338c0242 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAY 12, 1989 TO NOV 13, 1990, JAMES R RASMUSSEN, OFFICER OF GENZYME CORP. (TICKER: GENZ), SOLD 13,000 SHARES FROM $9.50 TO $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90338c0243 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ROBERT J BURKE, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES FROM $5.13 TO $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,340.

-30- 302
#90338c0244 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, ROBERT J BURKE, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT

500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,880.

-30- 289
#90338c0245 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, CHARLES F X POGGI, DIR. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 118,939.

-30- 299
#90338c0246 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 24, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, AARON S SHENKMAN, PRES. OF HELEN OF TROY CORP. (TICKER: HELE), BOUGHT 13,300 SHARES FROM $7.00 TO $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,751.

-30- 351
#90338c0248 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 06, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, DONALD P JACOBS, DIR. OF HARTMARX CORP. (TICKER: HMX), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES FROM $5.63 TO $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,524.

-30- 335
#90338c0249 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, ALLAN J HUBER, DIR. OF HARRIS CORP. (TICKER: HRS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 291
#90338c0250 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, JAMES C SHOOK, DIR. OF INDIANA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: IEI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 314
#90338c0251 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 04, 1990 TO OCT 16, 1990, ALFRED L FENAUGHTY, PRES. OF INFORMATION INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: IINT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,975.

-30- 355
#90338c0252 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUN 28, 1989 TO OCT 19, 1990, STEPHEN G SLADE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INGLES MARKETS INC (TICKER: IMKT), SOLD 46,375 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 76,525.

-30- 371
#90338c0253 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, CHRISTOPHER T BAYLEY, DIR. OF INTERPOINT CORP. (TICKER: INTP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 313
#90338c0254 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, DAVID R FICCA, DIR. OF INTERCHANGE FINANCIAL SVCS CORP. (TICKER: ISB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.39 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,642.

-30- 334
#90338c0256 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JOHN T CASTEEN III, DIR. OF JEFFERSON BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: JBNK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 332
#90338c0257 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, DONALD M TAYLOR, DIV. OFFICER OF J&J SNACK FOODS CORP.

(TICKER: JJSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,400.

-30- 335
#90338c0258 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JOHN A MCMAHON, DIV. OFFICER OF KIMBERLY-CLARK CORP. (TICKER: KMB), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $80.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,261.

-30- 331
#90338c0259 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, OTIS M SMITH, DIR. OF THE KROGER CO. (TICKER: KR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 291
#90338c0260 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, JOHN F KEENAN, OFFICER OF LANDS' END INC. (TICKER: LE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 302
#90338c0261 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, DALE F DOEHRMAN, DIR. OF LINCOLN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LFIN), BOUGHT 9,462 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,467.

-30- 326
#90338c0262 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, WILLIAM A MACOMBER, DIR. OF LINCOLN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LFIN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 323

#90338c0264 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, MORGAN GUARANTY COMMINGLED PENSION TR, BEN. OWNER OF LA PETITE ACADEMY INC. (TICKER: LPAI), BOUGHT 21,300 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,059,300.

-30- 361
#90338c0265 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, HERBERT J BELLUCCI, VP OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,232.

-30- 301
#90338c0266 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 03, 1990 TO OCT 22, 1990, STEPHEN W DOUCETTE, OFFICER OF MILWAUKEE INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: MILW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $5.00 TO $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,200.

-30- 377
#90338c0267 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, RICHARD C WEBB, VP OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,239.

-30- 309
#90338c0268 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ROBERT J MERCIER, VP OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,500.

-30- 311
#90338c0269 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, LLOYD C ELAM, DIR. OF MERCK & CO. (TICKER: MRK), BOUGHT

100 SHARES AT $77.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,170.

-30- 289
#90338c0270 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, RUSSELL N MAMMEL, PRES. OF NASH FINCH CO. (TICKER: NAFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,110.

-30- 311
#90338c0272 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, ROBERT H ALLEN, DIR. OF NEVADA GOLDFIELDS CORP. (TICKER: NGFC), BOUGHT 250,000 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,000.

-30- 327
#90338c0273 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, RICHARD C ATKINSON, DIR. OF NEVADA GOLDFIELDS CORP. (TICKER: NGFC), BOUGHT 250,000 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,000.

-30- 335
#90338c0274 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, JEANETTE G GRASSELLI, DIR. OF NICOLET INSTRUMENT CORP. (TICKER: NIC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,263.

-30- 331
#90338c0275 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, DAVID L PETERSEN, OFFICER OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 331
#90338c0276 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, JERALD R PENDLETON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NATIONAL TRANSACTION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NTNI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 364
#90338c0277 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, IVAN W GORR, DIR. OF OHM CORP. (TICKER: OHM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 285
#90338c0278 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUL 23, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, ILIA LEKACH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PARLUX FRAGRANCES INC. (TICKER: PARL), BOUGHT 14,100 SHARES FROM $2.44 TO $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 567,522.

-30- 379
#90338c0280 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, LISBETH T FARNUM, VP OF PROPERTY CAPITAL TRUST (TICKER: PCT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 313
#90338c0281 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, LEONARD SCHUTZMAN, VP OF PEPSICO INC. (TICKER: PEP), SOLD 5,250 SHARES AT $24.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,503.

-30- 299
#90338c0282 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, RICHARD P SIMMONS, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

17,078.

-30- 318
#90338c0283 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, PAUL R GAUVREAU, VP OF PITTWAY CORP. (DEL) (TICKER: PRY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,090.

-30- 312
#90338c0284 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 24, 1990 TO OCT 29, 1990, PETER CASTELLANA JR, BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,513.

-30- 344
#90338c0285 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, MICHAEL DOOLING, SHAREHOLDER OF BARRY (R.G.) CORP. (TICKER: RGB), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 292,300.

-30- 330
#90338c0286 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, MICHAEL DOOLING, SHAREHOLDER OF BARRY (R.G.) CORP. (TICKER: RGB), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 292,300.

-30- 329
#90338c0288 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JAN 22, 1990 TO SEP 14, 1990, WESTON E EDWARD, DIR. OF RAC INCOME FUND INC. (TICKER: RMF), BOUGHT 23,650 SHARES FROM $10.50 TO $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,650.

-30- 349
#90338c0289 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUL 02, 1990 TO JUL 19, 1990, LARRY G ARNOLD, DIR. OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII), SOLD 17,500 SHARES FROM $1.56 TO $1.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,181.

-30- 338
#90338c0290 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, LEO J THOMAS JR, DIR. OF ROCHESTER TELEPHONE CORP. (TICKER: RTC), BOUGHT 177 SHARES AT $28.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,379.

-30- 324
#90338c0291 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 02, 1990 TO OCT 03, 1990, KENNETH J MELKUS, PRES. OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF), SOLD 90,000 SHARES FROM $16.50 TO $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,264.

-30- 371
#90338c0292 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, STEVEN B GERBER, DIR. OF SYNCOR INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 320
#90338c0293 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOSEPH KLEIMAN, DIR. OF SYNCOR INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 318
#90338c0294 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ARNOLD E SPANGLER, DIR. OF SYNCOR INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 324
#90338c0296 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 29, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, NATHANIEL L SILLS, DIR. OF STANDARD MOTOR PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: SMP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 263,205.

-30- 346
#90338c0297 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, ALFRED M RANKIN JR, DIR. OF THE STANDARD PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: SPD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES FROM $13.50 TO $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 330
#90338c0298 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JOHN D FOULKES, DIR. OF TELLABS INC. (TICKER: TLAB), SOLD 4,200 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 297
#90338c0299 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, STEPHEN K BRIMHALL, DIR. OF TSS LTD. (TICKER: TSSL), BOUGHT 10,200 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 102,007.

-30- 301
#90338c0300 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, JOSEPH W ABRAMS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SOFTWARE TOOLWORKS INC. (TICKER: TWRX), SOLD 259,004 SHARES AT $17.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 661,354.

-30- 353
#90338c0301 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, WALTER D BILOFSKY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SOFTWARE TOOLWORKS INC. (TICKER: TWRX), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $17.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 738,358.

-30- 357
#90338c0302 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 11, 1990, LESLIE CRANE, CHAIRMAN OF SOFTWARE TOOLWORKS INC. (TICKER: TWRX), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT $17.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,521,482.

-30- 339
#90338c0304 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, JOHN C FANNING, CHAIRMAN OF UNIFORCE TEMPORARY PERSONNEL INC. (TICKER: UNFR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,711,925.

-30- 354
#90338c0305 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, THOMAS F MEAGHER, DIR. OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 306
#90338c0306 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, ARTHUR BORIE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALUE MERCHANTS INC. (TICKER: VLMR), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 338
#90338c0307 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, STEPHEN J CONNOLLY IV, DIR. OF WARREN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: WRNB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,800.

-30- 328
#90338c0308 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, PAUL J CURTIN, DIR. OF WARREN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: WRNB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 313
#90338c0309 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, ARTHUR E HOLDEN, DIR. OF WARREN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: WRNB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,700.

-30- 315
#90338c0310 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, STEPHEN R HOWE, DIR. OF WARREN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: WRNB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 315
#90338c0312 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ARTHUR E MCCARTHY, DIR. OF WARREN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: WRNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.17 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,300.

-30- 322
#90338c0313 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, THOMAS H OSHEA, DIR. OF WARREN BANCORP INC. (TICKER:

WRNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 316
#90338c0314 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, PAUL M PEDUTO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WARREN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: WRNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,400.

-30- 337
#90338c0315 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JOHN D SMIDT, DIR. OF WARREN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: WRNB), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 312
#90338c0316 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, PHILLIP H SMITH, DIR. OF WEIRTON STEEL CORP. (TICKER: WS), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 329
#90338c0317 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

WMS INDUSTRIES INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 380,359 SHARES (6.60%) OF DIVI HOTELS NV (TICKER: DVH).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Palmer Companies are also deemed to be the beneficial owner of such shares by virtue of their right to acquire the shares within sixty days of Nov. 29, 1990 and their right to direct the vote.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 12 through Nov. 29, 1990, WMS Industries Inc. sold 73,500 shares at a price of $.38 to $.50 per share.

-30- 650
#90338c0318 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

HELM RESOURCES INC. OF GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT OWNS 2,433,285 SHARES (79.98%) OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 5, 1990 through Nov. 28, 1990, Helm Resources Inc. purchased 119,182 shares at a price of $1.45 to $1.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90338c0320 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

J.W. KLUGE OWNS 1,029,438 SHARES (9.90%) OF NAC RE CORP.(TICKER: NREC) OF GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Kluge resigned from the board of directors of NAC Re Corp., effective Nov. 28, 1990. Mr. Kluge resigned in order to focus his attention to Metromedia Co. of which he is chairman, and has advised NAC Re Corp. that over time, he will sell his share ownership in the company.

-30- 587
#90338c0321 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a letter dated Dec. 4, 1990 to the shareholders of Justin Industries Inc., (TICKER: JSTN) JTN Acquisition Corp. has announced the extended expiration date of its tender offer to purchase to Dec. 20, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Offer to purchase.

-30- 461
#90338c0322 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY E.W. ERICKSON OWNS 398,333 SHARES (21.00%) OF EAC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: EAC) OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Peter B. Fritzsche has organized an investment group to act in concert to purchase 216,933 shares of the 248,600 EAC shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 26, 1990 Peter B. Fritzsche purchased the 248,600 EAC shares (the "PMC shares") at an undisclosed purchase price and sold 130,467 shares to other group members at a price of $1.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 728
#90338c0323 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 50

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 3, 1990, Sutton sent a letter to the company's board which contained an acquisition proposal. Sutton is proposing an acquisition of DeSoto (TICKER: DSO) by means of a merger with Sutton or an affiliated entity in which stockholders would receive $4.25 per share in cash and a security representing the right to receive a pro rata share of the net proceeds available for distribution by DeSoto upon termination of its pension plans.

-30- 647
#90338d1980 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 4) - Japanese businessmen are increasingly worried that high interest rates, increased oil prices and an acute labour shortage will lead to an economic slowdown next year, according to a survey published Tuesday.

The survey, conducted by the powerful Japan Federation of Economic Organisations (Keidanren), found that almost three quarters of the respondents expect a slowdown in the first half of the financial year beginning in April.

Only 28 percent of those polled in October and November expect the current phase of expansion, now in its 49th consecutive month of growth, to surpass the record 57-month boom which began in late 1965. That compares with 78 percent in the last survey carried out in July, the federation said.

Growth forecasts for next year averaged 3.7 percent, down from the average estimate of 4.6 percent for this year, with the financial, energy and chemical sectors expecting to be the most affected.

Interest rates were widely expected to peak in the first six months of the financial year while oil prices were forecast to range from 25 dollars a barrel to 30 dollars. Almost half the 167 respondents, out of 242 polled, predicted inflationary pressures arising from the labour shortage.

The ratio of repondents expecting a slowdown in capital investment rose from 13 percent in the last survey to almost 40 percent while those expecting to boost investment in plant and equipment fell from 73 percent to 34 percent.

Japanese stock prices were expected to remain "unstable" although almost 90 percent of the repondents said this would not affect their activities. Almost 49 percent said a stronger yen at between 120 and 130 to the dollar was "reasonable" while 47 percent said this level was "excessive."

Repondents also indicated they planned to shift investments from the United States to the European Community and Asia although more than 80 percent had no plans to invest in Eastern Europe or the Soviet Union.

A separate survey released by the Japan Chamber of Commerce and Industry Monday showed that small and medium-sized companies in the manufacturing, construction and service sectors were also pessimistic in their outlook.

-30- 2406
#90338d1990 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (DEC. 4) - The Philippines' economic growth will decline to 2.5 per cent while inflation will soar to 15 per cent in 1991 following adjustments

needed to forestall a bigger crisis, a top business leader said here Tuesday.

Aurelio Periquet, president of the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI), said in a prepared statement that 1991 "will be a time to make the economy ready and viable for long-term growth."

He said President Corazon Aquino's government can no longer "pump-prime" the economy with investments because of its massive deficit and must control the growth of imports because of scarce foreign exchange.

"Putting the house in order by controlling the deficits should guarantee a condition for sustained economic recovery," Mr. Periquest said.

Unless current levels of budgetary and current-account deficits are checked,

the Philippines would face higher inflation and interest rates and a forced moratorium on foreign-debt service similar to the 1983 crisis, he warned.

"The government realizes that the country cannot continue living off deficits -- if it does, something will have to give," Mr. Periquet said.

The Philippine economy grew by an average of six per cent from 1987-89 but the deficit ballooned alongside as the government poured in money into the countryside to stimulate production and consumption.

Mr. Periquet said agriculture would recover from drought and production would grow by three per cent in 1991, but industry would expand by only 2.5 per cent and services by only 2.1 per cent.

Inflation would average 15.5 per cent next year across the Philippines but would exceed 20 per cent in Manila, he said.

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#90338d2080 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 4) - China is to publish a new list of priority foreign investment projects for the next three years and amend existing legislation governing the setting up of joint-ventures, the China Daily said Tuesday.

As China prepares to embark on its eighth five-year plan (1991-1996), priority will be given to projects in raw materials, energy, telecommunications and agriculture, the China Daily quoted Yu Xiaosong, director of the foreign

investment administration under the ministry of foreign economic relations and trade (MOFERT) as saying.

High-tech and export-oriented projects would also be given priority, Mr. Yu said.

However, overseas investment in hotels, processing plants and services projects is expected to be discouraged, the newspaper said.

Mr. Yu also said the Chinese government would announce amendments early next year to existing legislation covering joint-ventures, especially on how to terminate joint-venture contracts and how investors may withdraw their capital.

By the end of October, China had approved 27,300 foreign-funded projects for which actual investment had reached 17.68 billion dollars, the English-language daily said.

Chinese authorities have been at pains recently to repeat their commitment to economic reforms, and to reassure foreign businessmen that investing in China was in their interests as well as China's.

-30- 1595

#90338d2770 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Cairo (DEC. 4) - Egyptians vote on Thursday to fill 261 of the 444 National Assembly seats left undecided in the first round of balloting on November 29.

The National Democratic Party of President Hosny Mubarak won 144 of the 183 seats decided in last Thursday's election and independent candidates picked up 38 seats.

Less than half the eligible 16 million voters turned out last week. Opposition parties had called for a boycott, arguing that voting would be rigged.

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#90338d2820 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NDJAMENA (DEC. 4) - A Libyan diplomatic mission arrived in Ndjamena late Monday to meet with Chad's new strongman Idriss Deby, who forced the flight of former president Hissein Habre this weekend, reliable sources said Tuesday.

The delegation flew in on board a Boeing 737, after three Soviet-made Ilyushin 76 craft flew home 450 Libyan prisoners of war freed after Mr. Habre fled the capital Saturday.

Unconfirmed reports have said some 2,000 Libyan prisoners of war are held in Chad.

Military sources said Ndjamena airport is under the control of army troops from France, the former colonial power. The French soldiers were ensuring that the flight control tower and other airport installations were working, the sources said.

In Paris, French Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement said the arms used by Mr. Deby's forces were 40 per cent Libyan while the other 60 per cent was equipment captured from government forces.

Mr. Chevenement, interviewed late Monday by French television, reaffirmed that France had remained "neutral" in the events in Chad, and said the Habre regime with its 13,000-member force "fell much faster than we imagined".

"We did not dump Hissein Habre. We simply ordered our Jaguars (fighter planes) not to bomb or machine-gun" Mr. Deby's forces, he said.

He said the 1,200 to 1,300 French force based in Chad, which have been backed up by 800 reinforcements in recent days, will be kept there "because if Chad is hit by any foreign aggression, France would react".

-30- 1694

#90338d2830 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 4) - All 10 people aboard a Boeing 707 cargo plane on a relief mission were killed when it collided with telephone cables and crashed one kilometre from Nairobi's Jomo Kenyatta airport on Tuesday morning, airport officials said.

The plane was bound for the nearby Embakasi airport to pick up emergency supplies for the southern Sudanese town of Juba, besieged by rebels.

The bodies were burned beyond recognition, and wreckage was strewn over a wide area near the main road from Nairobi to Mombasa. The victims' nationalities were unknown, the officials said.

According to a witness, part of the wreckage hit a bus coming from Mombasa, injuring two people.

The plane, owned by the Sudania company and leased to Trans-Arabian Air Transport, had been chartered by the Lutheran World Federation, a church-sponsored relief agency. It was collecting food and medical supplies here.

-30- 1096

#90338d2840 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 4) - Japan's gross national product (GNP) grew by just 1.0 per cent in the July-September period over the preceding three-month quarter,

putting the annual growth rate at 4.1 percent, Tokyo said Tuesday.

The Economic Planning Agency noted that the figures pointed to a slowdown for the Japanese economy. In the preceding April-June period, the GNP had risen by 1.4 percent, while the annual growth rate was 5.5 percent.

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#90338d2960 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Hamburg (DEC. 4) - Bookings in the advertising field in Germany are expected to total nearly 24 billion marks (16 billion dollars) in 1990, and the industry is on the eve of strong growth due to the advertising in eastern Germany, according to a study here Tuesday.

The market research group GfK-Marktforschung said its survey of companies and advertising agencies indicated that in 1991, spending on advertising will rise by a further six to nine per cent.

The main factor in the growth will be the effort made by German companies to advertise their products in eastern Germany, the GfK said.

The electronic media will benefit most from the growth, with private Tv expected to see a 12 percent rise in advertising revenues and private radio, 6 percent.

The print media, on the other hand, will see a decline in advertising revenues next year, the GfK survey predicted.

-30- 1079

#90338d3000 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 4) - British Airways has begun recruiting pilots under a plan to set up a new airline based in Berlin to provide services linking east and west Europe with destinations around the world, a BA spokeswoman said here Tuesday.

"We want to stay in Germany and we want to expand," the spokeswoman said. She confirmed a report in The Times daily Tuesday which stated that ads for pilots and crew appearing in Wednesday's edition of Flight International were placed by BA.

The Times reported that BA would hold a 49 percent stake and would be in charge of operating the new airline with German investors controlling the remaining interest.

BA currently maintains a fleet of nine Boeing 737s and British Aerospace ATP passenger aircraft permanently based in Berlin which provide 86 daily flights to nine German cities.

The unification of Germany produced agreements that would drastically cut back service to Berlin by foreign carriers by 1993, but BA has been working on ways to maintain a strong base in Berlin, The Times stated.

Until earlier this year, West Berlin was served only by national carriers of the three main western World War II allies -- Air France, British Airways and Pan Am. East Berlin was served by Aeroflot.

Under the new rules, BA would have to reduce the number of seats it provides for its Berlin service by 20 percent in April followed by cuts of 10 percent every six months after that.

The newspaper also reported that BA was finalising plans for a new airline, to be set up in conjunction with Aeroflot, operating from Moscow and to be called Air Russia.

-30- 1808

#90338d3010 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 4) - Three hundred and twenty one people were slightly injured early Tuesday when two trains collided in the black township of Soweto south-west of here, a police spokesman announced.

He said that the cause of the accident had not yet been determined.

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#90338d3030 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 4) - A soviet Soyuz spacecraft docked with the manned orbital complex Mir onTuesday, two days after blasting off from the Baikonur Cosmodrome with a Soviet-Japanese crew.

The news agency Tass said Japanese television reporter Toyohiro Akiyama would spend six days aboard the space complex, which has been manned for five months by cosmonauts Gennady Manakov and Gennady Strekalov.

Manakov and Strekalov are due to leave the complex with Akiyama on December 10 and return to earth. Cosmonauts Viktor Afanasyev and Musa Manarov, who piloted the Japanese newsman to Mir, will remain aboard the space station.

Akiyama's Tokyo Broadcasting System reportedly paid the Soviets between 10-12 million dollars for the privilege of having one of its employees become the first journalist in space.

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#90338d3040 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (DEC. 4) - Tanzanian President Ali Hassan Mwinyi has lifted a

ban on expelled Dar es Salaam university students from seeking employment in the public service, but banned 13 others from returning to the university for one year.

A state house statement said Tuesday that Mr. Mwinyi, as chancellor of the university, had decided to lift the employment ban he imposed on the expelled students when he ordered the university closed last May after riots. He also withdrew the order requiring them to report to their respective district commissioners.

At the same time, Mr. Mwinyi slapped a one-year ban on 13 of the students and reprimanded eight others for their involvement in the riots that led to the closure.

University Council chairman Al-Noor Kassum, said the sacked students would be allowed to apply for readmission one year after the main campus had re-opened in January, while the eight would be free to report back in January, but would have their scholarships reinstated only after the behaviour of each student had been carefully scrutinized.

The closure, the first since President Mwinyi came to power five years ago, was triggered by campus unrest, followed by class boycotts and slanderous literature against national leaders.

The students' action infuriated Mr. Mwinyi who said he viewed it as a "departure from the African norms" which demand that youngsters respect their elders.

Some 3,000 students, except those in the medical and law faculties took part in the riots.

The closure is to affect next year's intake. On Saturday, university vice chancellor Geoffrey Mmari announced that there would be no new intake for the 1990-91 academic year to allow those who had been expelled to complete their studies and to avert an accommodation crisis.

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#90338d3050 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (DEC. 4) - Hundreds of paramilitary troopers were deployed around the northern Indian temple town of Ayodhya Tuesday as thousands of Hindus wanting to build a temple on the site of a mosque poured into the area for a mass action program.

Hindu revivalist groups have pledged that the program, to be launched Thursday will be peaceful.

But press reports here quoted Ayodhya District Magistrate K. Chandramauli as

saying 60 companies of paramilitary troops had been deployed in the district as a precautionary measure.

The revivalist groups have turned a deaf ear to frantic central government attempts to dissuade them from massing in Ayodhya, some 700 kilometers (420 miles) east of Delhi, where security forces shot dead 24 Hindus just over a month ago when they tried to attack the 16th century mosque.

The groups, spearheaded by the militant Vishwa Hindu Parishad (World Hindu Council) and the revivalist Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP or Indian People's Party), claim the mosque was built on the birthplace of the Hindu god Rama.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) quoted Mr. Chandramauli as saying that in addition to the paramilitary troopers nine companies of provincial armed constabulary had been posted in the district in preparation for Thursday's agitation.

However by late Tuesday it was unclear whether the dilapidated mosque would be declared off limits to the thousands gathering in Ayodhya, and PTI quoted the magistrate as saying he was awaiting instructions from New Delhi on deployment of the security forces.

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#90338d3060 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (DEC. 4) - Industrial output in West Germany fell by one percent in October compared with September, provisional seasonally-adjusted official figures showed on Tuesday.

But the economy ministry said that the final figure, to be published next month, should show an increase of 1.5 percent.

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#90338d3110 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 4) - The price of Brent North Sea oil slipped in early trading here on Tuesday to 29.35 dollars a barrel for January delivery from 29.75 dollars at the close on Monday.

Trading was influenced by nervous and uncertain sentiment ahead of talks between U.S. and Iraqi officials on the situation in the Gulf, traders said.

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#90338d3240 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (DEC. 4) - Jordan, which recalled its ambassador from Saudi Arabia in September, has decided to send him back to Riyadh as a gesture of goodwill, official souces said Tuesday.

A foreign ministry source said it was not yet decided on when the ambassador would return.

The Jordanian move to recall its ambassador came following Riyadh's closure of the military, labor and cultural offices at the embassy in Riyadh and the reduction of the embassy's diplomatic staff to 10 diplomats.

The move followed Saudi complaints that Jordan had shown sympathy to Iraq after its invasion of Kuwait. Saudi Arabia recalled its ambassador in Amman early October.

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#90338d3280 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 4) - Japan's biggest bank, Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank Ltd., is to raise its prime short-term lending rate by 0.25 percentage points to 8.25 percent next week, banking sources said Tuesday.

The move, expected to take effect December 11, reflects higher deposit rates and is likely to prompt similar action by other banks, the sources said, adding that Dai-Ichi Kangyo was likely to make an official announcement Wednesday.

The increase would make the short-term prime rate, applied to loans of less than one year to banks' most credit-worthy clients, higher than the long-term prime rate which now stands at 8.1 percent

Japanese banks last raised their short-term rates in mid-September, from 7.375 percent to 8.0 percent.

The hike followed a move by the Bank of Japan to raise its official discount rate, charged on central bank loans to financial institutions, from 5.25 per cent to 6.0 percent on August 30.

Bank of Japan Governor Yasushi Mieno recently said that the central bank would maintain its tight credit policy to forestall inflationary pressures.

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#90338d3310 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC. 4) - Pakistan's minister for narcotics control, Rana Chandar Singh, said Tuesday that countries wanting Pakistan to fight drug trafficking should provide it with aid.

He told reporters that if Pakistan was left to its own resources it would only be able to confine itself to fighting addiction at home where there are an estimated two million drug addicts.

His remarks followed reports here that the U.S. has withheld promised anti-drug funds as part of moves to force Pakistan to abandon its secret nuclear program.

The United States stopped all economic and military assistance to Pakistan on October 1.

Opium poppy cultivation has reportedly increased by 40 percent in Pakistan's wild northwest territory since the aid cut.

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#90338d3330 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 4) - The American author of "The Last Emperor" has apologized to the widow of the late Pu Yi for "inaccuracies" in his book and has offered to correct them, said an official report received here Tuesday.

Edward Behr, who wrote the book on the life of China's last emperor, extended to Li Shuxian his "sincere apologies," if his book had offended her, the New People's Evening News reported.

In a letter dated October 20 addressed to the widow of the late Manchu emperor Mr. Behr said he was sorry he had been unable to interview Ms. Li during the writing of the work and promised to correct "inaccuracies" in the next edition.

Ms. Li, who was married to Pu Yi from 1962 until his death in 1967, also criticised the Oscar winning film "The Last Emperor", directed by Italian Bernardo Bertolucci, which came out in 1986. She said it violated the truth in order to pander to the viewing tastes of Western audiences.

Ms. Li had appeared in February before a Beijing tribunal to testify in a case she had filed against a historian to protect the copyright she had inherited from her late husband for his autobiography "From Emperor to Citizen."

Ms. Li said at the time that the book, which appeared in 1964 and inspired the film, had been written by Pu Yi alone. Historian Li Wenda claims he helped write the book and is demanding a share of the copyright.

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#90338d3390 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (DEC. 4) - Police raided a guerrilla camp in the Alto Mayoa valley about 800 kilometers (500 miles) northeast of Lima, and killed at least 20 rebels in several hours of fighting, police said.

Five police officers were wounded -- three seriously -- in the early Monday attack on the Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement camp, the police said.

After several hours of fighting, the rebels fled into the Amazon forest.

Police said they found a large quantity of automatic weapons, medicine, communications equipment, food and rebel propaganda in the abandoned camp.

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#90338d3420 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (DEC. 4) - Top opposition leader Begum Khaleda Zia appeared in public Tuesday after remaining in hiding since a state of emergency was proclaimed in Bangladesh last week.

Begum Zia, who heads the Bangladesh Nationalist Party, addressed a public rally in downtown Gulistan district against the government of President Hussain Mohammad Ershad.

Mr. Ershad proclaimed the state of emergency November 27 in the face of growing anti-government agitation, which started October 10 and has so far left more than 100 people dead, according to opposition sources.

Mr. Ershad announced Monday he would step down 15 days before calling general elections in 1991, but gave no specific date for the polls.

His offer was rejected by the opposition which demanded that he step down immediately and vowed to continue its eight-year campaign to oust him.

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#90338d3430 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 4) - Three Chinese men were executed here Tuesday after they had been condemned to death for embezzlement and corruption, the newspaper Beijing Wanbao reported.

A further 11 men were sentenced to long or life imprisonment for similar offences. Those executed had appealed but were turned down.

The executions came only a few days after two pimps were executed in Shanghai in eastern China for forcing four girls aged 15 to 17 into prostitution and offering them to foreign sailors and students.

In China, the death penalty is carried out with a pistol shot in the back of the head.

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#90338d3450 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMSTERDAM (DEC. 4) - A nocturnal teaser who pestered a Siberian tiger and pulled its tail at an Amsterdam zoo on Monday night was badly mauled when the

animal turned on him and will probably lose his left arm, zoo officials and police said Tuesday.

The man aged 49 was not named but staff at Artis zoo said he had been caught several times shouting insults at the animals and tormenting them.

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#90338d3480 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO (DEC. 4) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has named deputy foreign minister Anatoly Kovalyov to receive the Nobel Peace Prize on his behalf in Oslo on December 10, the Nobel Institute announced here Tuesday.

There had been reports that Mr. Gorbachev's diplomatic adviser Evgeny Primakov would receive the prize.

But Institute director Geir Lundestad told AFP that both the Soviet embassy in Oslo and the Norwegian embassy in Moscow confirmed it would be Mr. Kovalyov.

"We have not been informed about any last minute change of plans. Quite the contrary, the arrival of Kovalyov has been confirmed several times," said Mr. Lundestad.

Mr. Gorbachev announced last week that he would postpone his visit to Norway because of problems at home which prevented him from being absent from the Soviet Union, even for one day.

The award ceremony takes place in Oslo city hall on December 10, anniversary of the birth in 1833 of Alfred Nobel, the inventor of dynamite, who founded the prize. On Gorbachev's behalf Mr. Kovalyov will receive a bronze plaque, a diploma and a cheque for four million Swedish crowns (720.000 dollars).

Mr. Kovalyov will arrive in Oslo on December 8 and stay for four days. His program includes meetings with Prime Minister Gro Harlem Brundtland and Foreign Minister Thorvald Stoltenberg.

The Nobel Committee hopes that Mr. Gorbachev will visit Norway in May next year to deliver the traditional Nobel lecture.

Since the first award in 1901, wives, ambassadors and friends have on several occasions stood in for prize winners. Yelena Bonner, wife of Soviet physicist Andrei Sakharov accepted his peace prize in 1975.

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#90338d3550 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 4) - Another 200 Iraqi prisoners of war returned home Tuesday after they were released by Iran in line with an agreement reached by Baghdad

and Teheran last month.

Baghdad Radio said the prisoners were flown home aboard a private Iraqi plane.

This was the sixth batch of Iraqi prisoners freed by Iran since the two former Gulf war foes agreed to resume the Pow swap during a visit to Baghdad last month by Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akhbar Velayati.

Iraq and Iran, which fought an eight-year war that ended in August 1988, restored diplomatic ties in October.

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#90338d3560 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (DEC. 4) - U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney arrived Tuesday for a 24 hour visit to Poland for talks with his counterpart Rear-Admiral Piotr Kolodziejczyk on military exchanges and European disarmament, PAP news agency said.

Deputy Defence Minister Janusz Onyszkiewicz, quoted by PAP, said military exchanges did "not mean basing U.S. troops in Poland but training possibilities for Polish officers in the United States or arms purchases from that country".

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#90338d3590 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 4) - King Hussein of Jordan arrived here Tuesday to hold talks with President Hussein on securing a peaceful resolution in the Gulf, official sources reported.

The two leaders are also to discuss efforts "to avoid any military confrontation in the region in light of the recent U.S. proposal" to open a dialogue with Iraq, according to an Arab diplomatic source.

He said Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat, currently visiting Baghdad, could also take part in the meeting.

King Hussein was accompanied by his prime minister and foreign minister, Moudar Badran and Marwan al-Qassem, along with Yemeni Vice President Ali Salem al-Baid and Foreign Minister Abdel Karim al-Aryani, according to sources in Amman.

Both Yemen and Jordan have criticized Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait but have shown some sympathy for Baghdad and have condemned the U.S.-led multinational military buildup in the Gulf.

The only Arab country currently a member of the United Nations Security Council, Yemen holds the rotating presidency of the 15-member body for

December.

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#90338d3600 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CANNES, FRANCE (DEC. 4) - Japanese and U.S. financiers are leading an investment boom in amusement theme parks in France despite several flops, an international conference here has heard.

A park in northern Lorraine based on the Smurfs cartoon characters is in trouble, a Mirapolis centre west of Paris is struggling, and the Planete Magique (magic planet) in Paris and the Zygo Parks in Nice in the south of France have also fallen short of financial expectations.

But still the money pours into wonderland schemes to amuse and entertain the family, the fifth International Forum of Leisure Equipment heard.

The Walt Disney company, which is the leading company in the sector, has chosen France as its investment centre in Europe and now plans to create three linked parks east of Paris.

The first of these, Euro Disneyland, which will open in the spring of 1992, will require an investment of 22 billion francs (about 4.4 billion dollars) and is expected to attract 11 million visitors in the first year.

Euro Disneyland managing director Patrick Fitzpatrick, who is sure that the venture will be successful, recently announced that the launch of a second park based on cinematic themes, would be brought forward to 1994 or 1995.

Walt Disney is now working on ideas for the creation of a third park in about 2000 called Epcot Europe on the themes of science and the future.

Meanwhile the U.S. MCA group plans to invest up to eight billion francs (1.6 billion dollars) by 2000 in the new town of Melun Senart south east of Paris in a cinematic theme park which would create 10,000 jobs.

Japanese experts at the conference here held that the expected takeover of MCA by the Japanese Matsushita firm would increase the likelihood of this investment. They noted that the Japanese were increasingly attracted by tourism in France as demonstrated by recent investments in the French golfing sector.

The French are also exporting leisure-park know-how. Tourism Minister Jean-Michel Baylet late on Monday announced big contracts in Japan and in Mexico.

The SFERG company, which designed and built the Parc Asterix near Paris Roissy airport, has won a contract to design a theme park in Japan which will be the second biggest after the Disney park.

The first stage of this project to cater for one million visitors per year, will involve investment of one billion dollars. Its theme will be France.

In Mexico the SFERG has won a contract to study the creation of two tourist complexes, each of which will have a theme and hotels.

Financed by the government, they will be situated in the north of the country on the frontier with the United States, at Tijuana near San Diego and at Ciudda Tijuan near El Paso.

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#90338d3630 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (DEC. 4) - Turkish army commander General Dogan Gunes was named Tuesday as the new chief of staff of the Turkish armed forces, following the resignation of his predecessor, the news agency Anatolia reported.

Mr. Gunes replaces General Necip Torumtay, who said that he stepped down because he could no longer reconcile his job with "his conception of the state and the principles it defends."

The Turkish press on Tuesday interpreted the resignation as a protest against President Turgut Ozal's Gulf crisis policy.

"The resignation warning to Ozal," headlined the dailies Gunes and Milliyet.

The daily Hurriyet said that Gen. Torumtay demonstrated the divergence on Gulf crisis policy between the army and Mr. Ozal who, it said, had criticized the "very cautious" attitude of the former chief of staff.

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#90338d3720 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 4) - The Philippines has demanded that U.S. civilian personnel stationed in the country pay local income taxes, an official said here Tuesday as talks on the future of the U.S. facilities resumed.

Philippine panel spokesman Rafael Alunan said the U.S. side strongly objected to the idea and other non-security Philippine proposals presented at technical-level talks over the past week in prepartion for formal negotiations.

U.S. chief negotiator Richard Armitage arrived here Tuesday and went into a one-on-one meeting with his Philippine counterpart, foreign secretary Raul Manglapus. Their full panels were set to meet Wednesday.

U.S. spokesman Stanley Schrager said this week's negotiations would be "brief but intense" but "we continue to be optimistic" about reaching an agreement by

January, the mutually-imposed deadline.

Mr. Alunan told a news conference the tax issue was one of the items the two discussed, "and we'll probably have something for you tomorrow."

The Philippines had insisted that U.S. bases can stay in the country after 1991 only on the strength of a full-blown treaty covering political, economic and military aspects of its relationship with its former colonial ruler.

The current U.S. lease on Clark Air Base, Subic Naval Base and four support facilities runs out on September 16, 1991.

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#90338d3730 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MEXICO CITY (DEC. 4) - Anti-narcotics agents killed two adults and four children and seriously wounded two others, in a case of mistaken identity during a drug operation in the north of the country, government authorities said.

Federal agents in the northern town of La Angostura, 1,140 kilometers (710 miles) northwest of Mexico City, opened fire Monday with AK-47 machineguns on two trucks carrying eight people, whom "they confused with drug traffickers," a federal prosecutor's statement said.

The agents were conducting an operation to intercept drug-bearing airplanes coming in for landings on a nearby highway, according to the statement.

A relative of the victims said the eight people were returning from a dance when the agents shot them.

A police officer in the nearby city of Guasave said the victims were a father and two of his sons, two young sisters and another adult. Two injured children were in hospital in serious condition in Guasave, he said.

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#90338d3990 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (DEC. 4) - Prices in Yugoslavia have risen by 115.9 percent so far this year, official figures showed, the Tanjug news agency reported on Tuesday.

In November, prices rose by three percent compared with 7.1 percent in September and 8.1 percent in October.

The prices of agricultural products rose by 9.3 percent in November, compared to rises of 3.5 percent for services, 3.2 percent for food and 2.3 percent for industrial products.

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#90338d4010 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 4) - The British Trafalgar House conglomerate on Tuesday reported a fall of 42 percent in its annual pre-tax profit to 155.7 million pounds (300 million dollars) from 270.4 million pounds in 1989.

Sales rose by seven per cent to 3.5 billion pounds (6.7 billion dollars).

The result was in line with forecasts by analysts who had expected profits of between 143 million and 160 million pounds.

But the group, which has interests in construction, property and ocean cruise liners, maintained a final dividend of 9.6 pence per share which gave a total dividend up five per cent at 18.4 pence from 17.6 pence.

The shares rose 15 pence to 189 pence on the news.

The sale last week of 8.8 percent of the Costain building group for 31.43 million pounds will help to provide cash for the dividend payment, analysts said.

Profits per share were 22 pence compared with 42.8 pence last year.

The group made an exceptional provision of 95 million pounds in respect of property asset devaluations.

Company chairman Sir Nigel Broackes said the fall in profits was attributable to recession in the construction industry in Britain and in the United States. He did not expect to see a significant improvement before the end of 1991.

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#90338d4520 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (DEC. 4) - Egypt and Libya on Tuesday signed 10 economic accords aimed at boosting bilateral trade, the official Middle East News Agency reported.

Libyan Prime Minister Abu Zeid Omar Dourda, who signed the agreements here with Egyptian counterpart Atef Sedki, said they would eliminate "legislative restrictions and difficulties that have hindered the promotion of economic relations between the two countries".

Mr. Sedki confirmed the "removal of all restrictions on cooperation with Libya" and said Libyan authorities were anxious to boost investment in Egypt.

The two countries have also agreed to build two railway lines linking Egyptian and Libyan cities at a cost of 135 million dollars.

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#90338d4650 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Ruesselsheim (DEC. 4) - Adam Opel, the German carmaking subsidiary of General Motors, said here Tuesday it has been given the green light by the parent company in Detroit to go ahead with plans to build an assembly plant in the former East Germany.

Opel said Gm had given its ''complete support'' to the project, which envisages a 150,000-cars-per-year plant at Eisenach, in the state of Thueringen.

Eisenach is currently the site where the East German medium-sized ''Wartburg'' car is produced.

Opel chairman Louis R. Hughes told the German Press Agency that new talks were necessary to finalise details of the project. Opel estimates that its investment costs in Eisenach may run as high as one billion marks (667 million dollars).

''We are very optimistic that we can clear up the remaining questions in the next few days,'' Hughes said.

It had not yet been finally decided which Opel cars are to be produced at Eisenach, he said.

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#90338d4740 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ANKARA (DEC. 4) - Turkish Premier Yildirim Akbulut Tuesday announced the appointment of General Dogan Gures, commander of the Turkish ground forces, as chief of the general staff to replace General Necip Torumtay who resigned Monday.

Political observers noted that it was not Akbulut with whom Torumtay clashed but President Turgut Ozal who three years ago defied army traditions to install him as the top commander.

Three main grievances irritated Torumtay and his subordinates who reportedly offered to resign with him in protest, according to the observers.

First, there is the conduct of policy in the Gulf crisis. Ozal was known to be eager to send troops to Saudi Arabia to reap post-crisis benefits. Torumtay, backed by the foreign ministry bureaucracy, opposed any involvement.

As a second point of friction, the military is growing increasingly angry at the steady erosion of the country's secular system under attacks by Islamic fundamentalists who are allegedly tolerated by Ozal and openly encouraged by

patrons in the government.

Another military resentment, shared by the opposition parties, concerns the concentration of all power in the hands of a supposedly neutral Ozal, who has demoted the parliament and the government to secondary roles in disregard of the constitution, the observers noted.

The lavish life-style of Ozal's family, in sharp contrast to the lot of the masses impoverished by inflation, was also causing frowns, they said.

The resignation of Torumtay, less than two months after Foreign Minister Ali Bozer and Defence Minister Safa Giray quit for similar reasons, is seen by them as a sign which should alarm Ozal.

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#90338d4980 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (DEC. 4) - Twenty-seven people convicted of drug trafficking were hanged at dawn Tuesday in the western Iranian city of Bakhtaran on the border with Iraq, press reports said here.

They had been accused of importing and distributing large quantities of heroin and opium.

A total of 1,329 people have now been hanged in Iran since the application of a tough new anti-drug law last January.

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#90338d5380 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (DEC. 4) - The SAS Scandinavian airline will not invest any more money in troubled U.S. Continental Airlines in which it has a 16.8 per- cent stake, SAS chairman Jan Carlzon said here on Tuesday.

SAS has paid 600 million krone (about 100 million dollars) for its stake. This sum, representing five per cent of SAS funds, is considered by several Danish stock analysts to be virtually a write-off.

Mr. Carlzon said most of the debts which drove Continental to file for protection from bankruptcy had been contracted before SAS bought its stake.

Continental was in a "serious" situation but had a "good chance" of emerging strengthened from the crisis, he said.

The arrangement with Continental had been good for SAS since it had given access to North America and had earned SAS 100 million krone (17.5 million dollars) net per year.

SAS shares fell by 14 percent here on Tuesday after Monday's announcement by Continental that it was seeking bankruptcy protection.

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#90338d5610 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MONTEVIDEO (DEC. 4) - President George Bush will meet with Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis in Washington Monday, White House spokesman Roman Popadiuk announced Tuesday in Montevideo.

The White House meeting will be the first ever between the two leaders.

Mr. Bush will welcome Mr. Landsbergis as a "representative of the people" of Lithuania, and not in his capacity as president, Mr. Popadiuk said.

This was also the case in Mr. Bush's meeting earlier this year with Lithuanian Prime Minister Kazimiera Prunskiene, the spokesman said at Mr. Bush's second stop on a five-day South American tour.

The United States has never recognized the annexation of the Baltic states by the Soviet Union or the unilaterally declared independence of Lithuania this year, but has encouraged dialogue between the Baltic state and Moscow.

Lithuanian sources in Washington said Mr. Landsbergis should discuss with Mr. Bush the state of consultations on independence between Vilnius and Moscow, "the increasingly tough rhetoric by President (Mikhail) Gorbachev against Lithuania and the other two Baltic states" and the Lithuanian economy which was damaged by a 74-day Soviet economic blockade this year.

Mr. Landsbergis, who visited Washington twice last year as the elected leader of the Sajudis independent democratic movement, will visit Canada December 5 to 9 before heading on to Washington.

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#90338d5630 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 4) - The British electronics group General Electric Company (GEC) reported a four percent drop in pre-tax profits to 342 million pounds for the third quarter of this year.

The result was in line with analysts forecasts of between 335 and 352 million pounds.

GEC blamed the fall on its purchase during the year of the radar division of Ferranti International and, jointly with Siemens, its British competitor Plessey Telecommunications.

The company's liquidity fell from 1.27 billion pounds a year ago to 614

million pounds.

Turnover rose 20 percent to 4.4 billion pounds compared with 3.66 billion and the company has an order book worth an estimated 10.84 billion pounds compared with 7.98 billion pounds at the same time last year.

GEC shares lost eight pence to 177 pence on the London stock exchange.

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#90338d5690 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Duesseldorf (DEC. 4) - Deutsche Bank, Germany's largest credit institute, has registered record growth in the current year, board spokesman Hilmar Kopper reported here Tuesday.

Presenting the company's interim report for 1990, Kopper said business volume grew by nearly 53 billion marks (about 35 billion dollars) or 15.2 per cent and surpassed the 400 billion mark level (266 billion dollars) for the first time ever at the end of October, reaching 401.8 billion marks (267.8 billion dollars).

Contributing massively to the growth was the takeover of the British Morgan Grenfell Group and the inclusion of the Deutsche Bank-Kreditbank Ag.

Business volume of the joint-stock company alone rose by 26.3 billion marks (17.5 billion dollars) or 12 percent to 245.8 billion marks (163.8 billion dollars).

Profits for the entire firm rose by 6 percent to 4.13 billion marks (2.75 billion dollars).

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#90338d5800 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 4) - British Prime Minister John Major in his inaugural speech Tuesday called on his Conservative party to stop its internal bickering and pull together to beat the opposition Labour party and win the next general election.

"The message for the whole party, from the branches to the constituencies, from the backbenches to the cabinet room, is this: there must be no back-biting, no recriminations, no post-mortems. There is too much at stake. We have an election to win," he said.

He said he was determined to fight inflation. "I loathe inflation," he said. "It means the destruction of competitiveness for industry and commerce. It brings the destruction of peace of mind for people who see prices rising beyond their capacity to pay. It is economically destructive and socially divisive...

so the centrepiece of our policy must be an intolerance of inflation and a determination to beat it."

On Europe, Mr. Major said Britain would not be deterred by the cry that "we are insufficiently European... Politely but firmly we shall say what we think."

He also drew a vision of a classless society, "not in the grey sense of drab uniformity, but in the sense that we remove the artificial barriers to choice and achievement."

Mentioning an outcry over racist comments made in Cheltenham (south-west England) by a local Conservative party member concerning the party's black candidate, Mr. Major said "there should be no artificial barrier of background, religion or race... Every man and woman should be able to go as far as their talent, ambition and effort take them."

He also promised that his government would "listen" and "make the changes necessary" regarding the recently introduced and much reviled local tax known as the 'poll tax'.

Mr. Major paid hommage to his predecessor, Margaret Thatcher, brought down largely because of that 'poll tax' community charge and her attitudes on Europe.

"There can be no doubt that history will record her as one of the great figures of our century - in Britain and far beyond."

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#90338d5820 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 4) - The French Group Thomson-CSF is to supply Saudi Arabia with ground-to-air Crotale missile systems in a 3.4 billion francs (680 million dollar) contract, the company announced here Tuesday.

The Crotale, developed with another French company Matra, is a mobile short-range missile whose primary use is for protecting military bases and other military installations.

The equipment will be delivered rapidly, said the company, which signed the deal through the French defence ministry's arms purchasing agency SOFRESA.

It is the biggest contract between France and Saudi Arabia since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait August 2.

Thomson refused to give details about the number of missiles involved or what versions had been ordered. But industrial sources said the order covered several hundred missiles.

They also said the model chosen was the Crotale missile already in service with the French army since 1982, designed to protect air bases.

In this version the missile, with a range of between five and 15 kilometers (3-10 miles), is fired from light armoured vehicles and has an accompanying missile radar guidance vehicle.

The deal already has the approval of the inter-ministerial commission for war material exports, informed sources said.

Saudi Arabia, a major client of the French armaments industry, has stepped up its orders markedly since the Gulf crisis began.

In the first six months of this year Riyadh placed orders worth an estimated 11 billion francs (2.2 billion dollars) and further orders worth another eight billion francs (1.6 billion dollars) are expected before the end of the year.

Saudi Arabia has operated the Crotale missile system since the beginning of the 1980s and has an estimated 3,000 in service in three versions -- the fixed version, subject of the latest order, an EDIR anti-naval version (with a range of 200 kms, 125 miles), and the Shahine (desert lion) which equips Saudi Arabia's AMX 30 tanks.

Thomson has sold more than 6,500 Crotales in 11 countries, including Egypt, the United Arab Emirates and Morocco.

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#90338d5840 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 4) - The foreign ministers of the European Community (EC) on Tuesday proposed to send up to two billion dollars in food aid to the Soviet Union before the end of the winter, Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens announced.

The Soviet Union had presented the European Commission, the EC's executive branch, with a long list of food staples needed to feed its population, according to Mr. Eyskens, who spoke on the sidelines of a foreign ministers' meeting here.

"We are going to send them this food," he said, adding that the operation "should cost around one or two billion dollars."

British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said Britain will not object to the aid package if it was ensured that food would really reach Soviet stores.

"To be effective food must be taken directly to the villages", Mr. Eyskens said.

The foreign ministers also proposed to give full support to Soviet membership in the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank so that both bodies can offer financial aid, Mr. Eyskens said.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas insisted that EC aid to eastern Europe be part of an overall aid package by the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

To help the Soviet Union introduce a free-market system, Jacques Delors, President of the European Commission, proposed food aid and loans, balance of payments assistance, assistance in making the ruble convertible and talks for a more comprehensive trade agreement.

The upcoming EC summit meeting in Rome will have to give the green light for short-term aid, Mr. Delors quoted foreign ministers as saying.

"We must reach an agreement in Rome," Hans-Dietrich Genscher of Germany said.

Ministers also spoke out in favour of large-scale energy cooperation between the Soviet Union and its western neighbours including major energy purchases by the EC, according to Mr. Eyskens.

Ministers proposed that up to seven billion dollars of trade and public debts by eastern European nations be rescheduled.

The International Monetary Fund has earmarked 24 billion dollars to help eastern Europe over the next three years including five billion for 1991, Mr. Eyskens quoted the Commission president as saying.

Experts from 24 western nations will discuss assistance to eastern Europe at a meeting here Wednesday.

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#90338d5970 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (DEC. 4) - Fighting between suspected leftist rebels and government security forces over the last two days in Peru's Andes mountains and parts of the Amazon has left 46 dead and seven wounded, police said Tuesday.

Forty suspected rebels of the Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement (MRTA) were killed in the Alto Mayo valley, some 830 kilometers (500 miles) northeast of Lima in fighting with 30 police who were in two armored trucks, police said.

The clash occurred Monday near an MRTA training camp after rebels attacked the armored trucks. Police captured the camp after several hours of fighting and an undetermined number of rebels fled into the surrounding jungle, police said.

Rebel violence in Peru has left at least 20,000 dead over the last decade with

the pro-Castro MRTA operating mostly in the northeastern jungle region and the ultraleftist Shining Path operating in the Andean and Amazon regions.

Two unidentified men were killed Tuesday by suspected members of the Maoist-inspired Shining Path guerrillas on a main road in the town of Huancayo, some 300 kilometers (180 miles) east of Lima, police said.

Also Monday, a column of Shining Path rebels seized the town of Puebla Libre near Huancavelica, some 520 kilometers (310 miles) southeast of Lima on the anniversary of the birthday of Shining Path founder Abimael Guzman, 56.

Two town officials and two farmers were taken from their homes by the rebels and submitted to a "people's court" as government collaborators and traitors to the guerrilla movement.

Some 100 townspeople were forced to participate in rebel proceedings and despite townspeoples' pleas for their lives, the throats of the four were slit. The townspeople were also forced to sing songs for the rebel leader's birthday.

The Shining Path rebels sent armed patrols through Ayacucho, a city of 90,000 residents, to force the town to shut down for 24 hours Monday to commemorate Mr. Guzman's birthday.

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#90338d7760 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN SALVADOR, (DEC 4) - Salvadoran guerrillas, firing a surface-to-air missile, shot down a military transport plane with a crew of seven Tuesday as fighting intensified in the countryside, the military said.

Air Force Commander General Rafael Villamariona said the seven crew members parachuted from the stricken AC-47 before it crashed but only the pilot had been rescued. The fate of the other six was not known, he said.

It was the third time since the start of a rebel offensive November 10 that the guerrillas have shot down a Salvadoran military aircraft with shoulder-fired surface-to-air missiles.

The shoot-down came amid a new wave of attacks by the guerrillas, who attacked nine military positions in eastern and northern El Salvador Tuesday, leaving 16 dead and 21 wounded on both sides.

The heaviest fighting was reported near La Laguna, 90 kilometers (54 miles) north of San Salvador in Chalatenango province, where the government said eight guerrillas and two soldiers were killed.

Rebels fighting at La Laguna fired the missile that hit the AC-47, which crashed near the settlement of Cuatro Pinos, Gen. Villamariona said.

The transport plane, which was reported to have taken off from the Ilopango Air Force Base in San Salvador, was carrying two pilots, two gunners and three technicians, the general said.

In other fighting, the military said five guerrillas and a soldier were killed in combat on a farm in the eastern province of San Miguel.

Rebels also fired a barrage of 81-mm mortars at the barracks of the Sixth Infantry Brigade and the Atonal Battalion in Usulutan. No casualties were reported.

Clashes also were reported elsewhere in the provinces of Usulutan, San Salvador and La Libertad.

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#90338d7830 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PANAMA CITY, (DEC 4) - The Panamanian Government has expelled two Cuban diplomats and accused the embassy of allowing a Panamanian staying there to plot by telephone with deposed general Manuel Noriega.

Panama's Deputy Foreign Minister Jose Molino sent a note Tuesday afternoon to the Cuban Embassy giving economic attache Guillermo Mendez Perez (eds: correct) and commercial attache Oscar Braulio Gutierrez five days to leave the country.

The note indicated that the expulsions were in retaliation for Cuba's permitting former legislator Luis Cordoba to telephone deposed General Manuel Noriega from the Cuban Embassy, where he sought asylum 11 months ago.

Mr. Noriega is in jail in Miami awaiting trial on drug trafficking charges.

According to the Panamanian protest, Mr. Cordoba and Mr. Noriega "gave details about diverse activities that affect public tranquility and that evidently tend toward development of actions designed to destabilize the legitimate government of President Guillermo Endara."

The conversations were in violation of the 1954 Asylum Convention of Caracas, the Panamanian Government said.

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#90338d7910 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO, (DEC 5) - Egypt, Saudi Arabia, and Syria called on the Iraqi leadership Tuesday to respond to United Nations and Arab Summit resolutions urging Baghdad to withdraw its troops from Kuwait.

The communique issued after a meeting in the Egyptian capital also expressed dismay over what it called a campaign of repression being waged by the Iraqi occupational forces against the Kuwaiti people.

Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak met with Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk-al-Sharaa and Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal to discuss developments in the Gulf crisis.

The meeting was also attended by Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel-Meguid and information ministers of the three countries.

''The foreign and information ministers of Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria called on the Iraqi leadership to respond to the initiatives that seek to implement the demands of international legitimacy,'' the communique said.

''The ministers express their deep dismay over the reports coming from Kuwait about the campaign of repression being waged by the Iraqi occupation forces against the unarmed Kuwaiti people.''

The resolution said the ministers ''praised the Security Council Resolution 677 which calls on the U.N. Secretary General to preserve the civil registers authorized by the Kuwaiti government and which list the names of Kuwaiti citizens and others who were living in Kuwait before 2 August.''

''They also praised the resolution that embodies the international community's determination to reject all Iraqi attempts to obliterate the Kuwaiti people's identity,'' it said.

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#90338d7970 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUENOS AIRES, (DEC 4) - The Argentine Government Tuesday lifted the state of siege introduced one day earlier by President Carlos Menem because of an attempted military rebellion.

Rebel troops gave up less than 20 hours after revolt began before dawn Monday. Eight soldiers were killed and 19 wounded. Five civilians were also killed when a rebel tank shot at a bus on the Pan-American Highway.

The state of siege was lifted just 40 hours after it was declared.

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#90338d8120 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD, (DEC 5) - President Saddam Hussein of Iraq gathered three sympathetic Arab leaders Tuesday night to discuss the start of an American-Iraqi dialogue and the necessity of involving the Palestinian question.

The Iraqi News Agency (INA) said King Hussein of Jordan, chairman Yasser Arafat of the Palestine Liberation Organization and the vice president of Yemen, Ali Salem al-Beid, all held with Mr. Hussein "deep consultations on the situation in the Gulf in the light of the start of the American-Iraqi dialogue."

The agency did not mention Iraq's occupation of Kuwait.

Though U.S. President George Bush reaffirmed in Montevideo, during a Latin American tour, that there was no question of linking Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza strip with Iraq's occupation of Kuwait, the Iraqi agency said the four leaders in Baghdad emphasized such a link.

They "affirmed the need to work within an Arab and international framework for the resolution of all regional problems, notably the Palestinian question, to achieve global and lasting peace in the region."

The agency reported that the four leaders called on Arab countries to undertake "an active and effective action" to mobilize "all their political potential for a global resolution of all the problems in the region, notably the Palestinian question."

The four leaders first met with their aides, then by themselves.

In Cairo, the foreign ministers of Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia called on Iraq to "respond positively to the initiatives designed to implement" United Nations resolutions on Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Earlier, a senior Jordanian official in Amman told Agence France-Presse that his country wanted talks to begin between Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait "to preserve Arab interests in resolving the Gulf crisis."

He said such discussions must be organized soon "in light of developments on the international scene, marked by the adoption of (United Nations) Security Council resolution 678, authorizing the use of force against Iraq, and the U.S. decision to initiate talks with Baghdad."

He was referring to the resolution adopted Thursday sanctioning a military operation to dislodge Iraqi troops from Kuwait and Mr. Bush's proposal Friday to hold a dialogue with Iraq.

The official said Algiers would be proposed as the venue for the tripartite meeting, since Algeria is one of the countries that has not contributed to a multinational force massed against Iraq and maintains good ties with all parties to the dispute.

After the meeting, King Hussein flew back to Amman, where a spokesman said he

and Mr. Hussein underscored their "desire for a political resolution of the Gulf crisis through a serious and constructive dialogue."

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#90338d8160 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (DEC 4) - In a bid to avert a catastrophic oil spill, the U.S. Government announced it was forming a task force to review operation of the Alaska pipeline, in particular because of concerns of corrosion.

"It is our way of locking the barn door before the horse runs away," said Travis Dugan, head of the Research and Special Programs Administration of the U.S. Transportation Department.

The task force will examine operation, maintenance and safety of the 1,280-kilometer-long (800-mile-) pipeline that carries nearly a quarter of the United States' domestically produced crude oil, Mr. Dugan said.

It will also look at environmental protection and emergency response procedures, he said.

"It is vital that the safety and operational procedures used in this system are of the highest caliber," Mr. Dugan said. "We formed this task force to avoid potential disaster, which could easily occur if the pipeline is neglected."

In May, a report by the investigative branch of Congress, the General Accounting Office, said there had been no proper watch over maintenance of the 13-year old pipeline.

The situation was worrisome because of reports of corrosion on the pipeline, the report said, adding that split pipes could mean a spill on land as disastrous as the March 1989 spill by the tanker Exxon Valdez in Prince William Sound.

The line is operated by Alyeska Pipeline Service Co., which said last month it expected to spend between 600 million and 800 million dollars to repair corroded portions of the pipeline by 1993.

Alyeska is a consortium of subsidiaries of the Exxon, British Petroleum, ARCO, Mobil, Unocal, Phillips and Amerada Hess oil companies.

The 1.2 meter-wide (four-foot) pipeline carries about two million barrels of crude oil per day.

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#90338d8190 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC. 5) - The Jewish Agency, Israel's body in charge of immigration, has decided to send 20 metric tonnes of food to "the Soviet people," Agency president Simha Dinitz said here Tuesday.

"The Jewish Agency wants to show its gratitude to the Soviet Union, which has opened its doors to Jews who wish to emigrate to Israel," Mr. Dinitz told a news conference.

"We cannot forget the benefits of this immigration for Israeli society and our gesture, modest though it may be, should help the Soviet people whose financial and food situation is critical."

A first El-Al plane carrying two tonnes of tomatoes and three tonnes of melons took off late Tuesday from Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport for Moscow. It was to return via Bucharest with 220 immigrants.

A second aircraft was to take 15 tonnes of milk to Moscow on Thursday, returning via Warsaw with 220 more immigrants.

The agency also announced here that it had opened an office in the Soviet capital last week.

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#90338d8470 12/04/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 5) - Japan's largest company, Mitsubishi Corp., will buy a 20 per cent share in the British firm Phoenix Securities which specialises in mergers and acquisitions, a Mitsubishi spokesman said here Wednesday.

Mitsubishi refused to disclose the value of the deal which for the first time will allow a Japanese company to hold equity in a European mergers-and-acquisitions firm, financial analysts said.

The move is part of Japan's efforts to expand its presence in Europe prior to the creation of a unified market there in 1992.

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#90338e0013 12/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

YAOUNDE (DEC 4) EFE - Cameroun became the latest African country to move towards democratic rule when President Paul Biya authorized the adoption of a multi-party system Tuesday.

Permission to form opposition parties came after three weeks of parliamentary debate which culminated with a reform of the constitution and the introduction of 30 new laws for political change.

Opposition groups had pressured Biya to legalize new parties to challenge the

hold on power of the Democratic Association of the Cameroun People, the only legal political organization until now.

Political parties have been banned in Cameroun since 1966.

In accepting the multi-party system, Biya said political groupings receiving funds from abroad could not form parties nor could groups drawn up on tribal or regional lines.

Meanwhile, opposition groups criticized Biya for being ambigous about holding general elections and for restoring censorship for both the private and state media.

Some politicians have called for the return of the federalist system which was in force until 1972. They consider it the only way of protecting the rights of the English-speaking minority against the French-speaking majority.

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#90338e0015 12/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PARIS (DEC 4) EFE - The French government listed Tuesday for the first time issues it would like to see discussed at an international conference which would look at ways to resolve Middle East crises.

"France supports the view that this international conference would discuss peace in Lebanon, the conflict between Israelis and Palestinians, and the Gulf crisis," French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said.

The idea of a conference at which the peaceful withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait would be linked to the Palestinian problem in Israel's Occupied Territories was originally proposed by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The proposal was rejected by the United States and other Western countries who insisted on an unconditional withdrawal by Iraq as demanded by the United Nations Security Council.

Dumas suggested Tuesday that the conference could be divided into "subconferences," each dealing with a different problem in the region.

This aspect of the French proposal was an attempt to forestall Western objections that the Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait was being linked to the Palestinian problem, political observers said.

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#90338e0046 12/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (DEC. 4) EFE - Prices in Colombia rose by 2.03 per cent in November bringing the inflation rate for the past 12 months to 30.97 per cent, the

highest in the last 10 years, the Administrative Department of National Statistics (DANE) reported Tuesday.

The cost of living in Colombia for the first 11 months of 1990 rose by 29.1 per cent, DANE reported.

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#90338e0051 12/04/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PANAMA CITY (DEC. 4) EFE - A former chief of Panama's revamped police force escaped from prison Tuesday where he was being held in connection with an alleged plot to destabilize the government, a Panamanian television station reported.

Channel 13 said former Col. Eduardo Herrera broke out of jail on Naos island, near the capital, and headed toward the outskirts of Panama City.

The station said police units had been sent to the area to try recapture him.

Herrera and four police officers were arrested in late October for allegedly participating in a plot to destabilize the government of President Guillermo Endara.

The former colonel was named chief of the revamped security forces after the U.S. invasion last December to oust military strongman Manuel Antonio Noriega.

He was dismissed in August for unexplained reasons.

Endara was installed as president during the invasion.

Herrera had previously served under Noriega until the two had a falling out.

The government gave no details of the plot at the time of Herrera's arrest, but observers said it was linked to series of bomb attacks in Chiriqui province, near the Costa Rican border, in August and September.

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#90338f0682 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 4) UPI - The Boston Celtics honored a man who has described many of their games. They also played the kind of game he has so often described.

Robert Parish scored 22 points Monday night, leading eight Celtics in double figures for a 135-102 victory over the Seattle SuperSonics, losers of five in a row.

In halftime ceremonies, Boston paid homage to long-time radio announcer Johnny Most. In the third quarter, Boston took control of the game with a 17-2 surge.

''We're a very unselfish team,'' said Boston's Dee Brown. ''We just try to get it to the open guy nearest the basket.''

''It's kind of been the story of the season, getting a lot of guys in double figures,'' said Celtics sixth man Kevin McHale.

The triumph was the Celtics' ninth in 10 games and improved their record to 13-3, best in the Atlantic Division. Seattle, which lost for the ninth time in 10 outings, drops to 4-9 on the season.

Most was honored for his 37 years as the Celtics' radio voice. A silver-plated microphone was put on permanent display on the facade of the radio booth where Most used to broadcast the games from ''high above courtside.''

The gravel-voiced Most, 67, retired before this season due to failing health.

The Celtics, who held a 50-35 rebounding advantage, shot 65 percent, hitting 56 of 86 field-goal attempts. The SuperSonics shot just 45 percent, hitting only 45 of 101 attempts from the floor.

''Anytime you come to the Boston Garden, your game has to be at your top,'' said Seattle's Xavier McDaniel. ''If not, you see what happens.''

For Boston, McHale added 18, Reggie Lewis had 16, Brian Shaw 14, Kevin Gamble 12, Larry Bird 11 and Brown and Joe Kleine scored 10 each.

For Seattle, Sedale Threatt scored 20 points, Shawn Kemp had 19 and Derrick McKey 17.

''We went bad .... and the game is history,'' said Seattle Coach K.C. Jones, whose team shot just 18 percent (5 of 28) in the quarter.

''We played pretty good defense in the third quarter and got them out of their offense and it snowballed from there,'' said McHale. ''We came out playing good defense, running and getting the ball around the court. ''

Jazz 135, Bullets 101

At Salt Lake City, Karl Malone scored 38 points and pulled down 15 rebounds and Jeff Malone added 28 points, leading Utah. The Jazz jumped to a 22-2 lead to down Washington for the seventh straight time. Washington last defeated the Jazz in February of 1987. The Bullets have lost six straight on the road and are 1-8 away from home. Washington's leading scorer, Bernard King, finished with a team-high 24 points after going scoreless in the first period.

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#90338f0688 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 4) UPI -

Wales Conference
Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	17	8	5	39	120	91
Philadelphia	17	11	2	36	110	93
New Jersey	14	10	4	32	107	93
Washington	15	14	0	30	98	92
Pittsburgh	12	13	2	26	115	109
NY Islanders	9	15	2	20	71	97

Adams Division

Boston	14	8	4	32	84	78
Montreal	13	12	3	29	87	91
Hartford	11	12	4	26	78	86
Buffalo	9	10	7	25	80	81
Quebec	5	18	6	16	80	129

Campbell Conference
Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	18	9	2	38	96	71
St. Louis	15	9	3	33	91	76
Detroit	13	10	4	30	100	100
Minnesota	7	15	6	20	77	97
Toronto	6	22	1	13	79	133

Smythe Division

Los Angeles	16	7	3	35	110	82
Calgary	15	9	4	34	119	91
Vancouver	13	12	2	28	83	87
Winnipeg	9	17	4	22	98	108
Edmonton	9	14	2	20	77	76

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#90338h0002 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
ISLAMABAD (DEC. 4) XINHUA - THE PAKISTAN GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO RUSH A DONATION OF 10,000 TONS OF RICE TO ASSIST THE THE SOVIET UNION IN MEETING ITS ACUTE FOODSTUFF SHORTAGE IT IS FACING, OFFICIAL SOURCES SAID HERE TUESDAY.

"IT IS A GESTURE OF GOODWILL THAT THE HUMANITARIAN RELIEF IS BEING PROVIDED," THE SOURCES QUOTED FINANCE MINISTER SARTAJ AZIZ AS SAYING.

AFTER THE SOVIET TROOPS WITHDRAWAL FROM AFGHANISTAN TWO YEARS AGO, BOTH PAKISTAN AND THE SOVIET UNION HAVE EXPRESSED DESIRE TO IMPROVE THEIR SOURED

RELATIONS IN THE PAST OVER TEN YEARS DUE TO THE SOVIET AGGRESSION AGAINST PAKISTAN'S NEIGHBOUR AFGHANISTAN IN 1979. THE NEWLY FORMED GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN HAS ALSO EXPRESSED THE SAME DESIRE TO DEVELOP GOOD RELATIONS WITH THE USSR.

THE UNITED NATIONS HAS MADE A CALL FOR DEPATCHING FOODSTUFF AID TO THE SOVIET UNION, CERTAIN PARTS OF WHICH ARE FACING DRAUGHT AND CONSEQUIENT FOOD SHORTAGE.

SOME WESTERN COUNTRIES HAVE ALREADY PROVIDED FOODSTUFF AND GRAIN ASSISTANCE IN THIS REGARD.

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#90338h0015 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC. 4) XINHUA - PAKISTAN IS EXPECTED TO EARN ABOUT 2.4 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS BY EXPORTING COTTON, YARN, TEXTILE AND GARMENTS DURING THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR 1990-91 (BEGINNING JULY 1), A GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL SAID HERE TUESDAY.

PAKISTAN HAS BECOME THE THIRD LARGEST EXPORTER OF RAW COTTON AFTER THE UNITED STATES AND EGYPT WITH AN EIGHT PERCENT SHARE OF THE WORLD COTTON TRADE. IT HAS A 22.3 PERCENT SHARE IN EXPORT OF YARN AND 10 PERCENT SHARE IN TEXTILE AND FABRICS IN THE WORLD COTTON CLOTH TRADE.

PAKISTAN IS ALSO THE LARGEST EXPORTER OF COURSE COUNTS COTTON YARN IN THE WORLD. ACCORDING TO THE ALL PAKISTAN TEXTILE MILLS ASSOCIATION (APTMA), COTTON YARN EXPORT INCREASED FROM 125.3 MILLION KILOGRAMS IN 1984-85 TO 291.95 MILLION KILOGRAMS IN 1989-90. IN THE SAME PERIOD EXPORT OF COTTON CLOTH ROSE FROM 688 RPT 688 MILLION SQUARE METERS TO 1,005 MILLION SQUARE METERS.

ABOUT 38 TEXTILE AND SPINNING MILLS IN PAKISTAN WILL GO INTO PRODUCTION DURING THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR, RAISING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF INSTALLED SPINDLES TO 5.928 MILLION.

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#90338h0027 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC. 4) XINHUA - PAKISTAN WILL PRESS FOR ENDING TEXTILE QUOTA RESTRICTIONS BY THE MAJOR IMPORTING COUNTRIES UNDER THE MULTI-FIBER ARRANGEMENTS (MFA) AT THE FINAL URUGUAY ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS BEGINNING IN BRUSSELS TODAY, PAKISTAN COMMERCE MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID HERE TODAY.

AS A TEXTILE EXPORTING COUNTRY, PAKISTAN WANTS QUOTA RESTRICTIONS ON TEXTILES TO BE PHASED OUT SO THAT THE COUNTRY MIGHT HAVE FREE ACCESS TO INDUSTRIALIZED MARKETS.

COMMERCE MINISTER MALIK NAEEM KHAN IS LEADING THE PAKISTAN DELEGATION AT THE BRUSSELS MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE WHICH IS SCHEDULED ON DECEMBER 3-8 TO FINALIZE

LIBERALIZATION OF GLOBAL TRADE IN 14 AREAS AFTER FOUR YEARS OF INCONCLUSIVE DISCUSSIONS AT OFFICIAL, DIPLOMATIC AND MINISTERIAL LEVELS, OFFICIALS SAID.

PAKISTAN HAD SUCCEEDED IN IMPROVING ITS TEXTILE ACCORD WITH THE UNITED STATES AFTER INTENSE NEGOTIATION HERE LAST YEAR. THE RESTRUCTURED PAKISTAN-U.S. ACCORD OF DECEMBER 1989 HAD LIFTED QUOTA RESTRICTIONS FOR 66 OUT OF 80 CATEGORIES OF MAN-MADE (SYNTHETIC) FIBER WHICH PAKISTAN EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES, THE SAME SOURCES SAID.

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#90338h0028 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 4) XINHUA - KENYA MAY EARN ABOUT ONE BILLION SHILLINGS (NEARLY 43.5 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FROM EXPORTING COFFEE AND TEA TO SAUDI ARABIA, ACCORDING TO A "DAILY NATION" REPORT TODAY.

A THREE-MAN TRADE DELEGATION FROM ASTRA FARMS, THE LARGEST SAUDI ARABIAN FOOD SUPPLIER, IS NOW ON A VISIT TO KENYA SHOPPING FOR THESE COMMODITIES TO MEET THE NEEDS OF NEARLY HALF MILLION MILITARY PERSONNEL STATIONED IN THE KINGDOM.

AT A MEETING YESTERDAY, LEADER OF THE SAUDI DELEGATION AHMED AL-MASRI TOLD CHAIRMAN OF THE KENYA EXTERNAL TRADE AUTHORITY NICHOLAS GOR THAT BESIDES THE COFFEE AND TEA DEALS, SAUDI ARABIA WILL IMPORT THOUSANDS OF TONS OF KENYA'S HORTICULTURAL PRODUCE INCLUDING FLOWERS, FRUITS, VEGETABLES AND FRENCH BEANS.

KENYA EXPORTED TO RIYADH MAINLY COFFEE, SODIUM CARBONATE AND HORTICULTURAL PRODUCE WHILE IMPORTING FROM THE KINGDOM GAS OIL, POLYPROPYLENE, SULPHUR AND OTHER PRODUCTS.

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#90338h0040 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 4) XINHUA - THE MANILA-BASED ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (ADB) TODAY APPROVED AN INTEREST-FREE LOAN OF SDR (SPECIAL DRAWING RIGHT) 30.054 MILLION (ABOUT 43 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) TO BANGLADESH FOR THE SECONDARY TOWNS INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, ADB ANNOUNCED HERE THIS AFTERNOON.

THE LOAN WILL COME FROM THE BANK'S CONCESSIONAL ASIAN DEVELOPMENT FUND. IT WILL BE REPAYABLE IN 40 YEARS, INCLUDING A 10-YEAR GRACE PERIOD AND AT A SERVICE CHARGE OF ONE PERCENT A YEAR, THE BANK SAID.

IN ADDITION, ADB ALSO APPROVED A TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT OF 978,000 U.S. DOLLARS TO HELP STRENGTHEN THE SECONDARY TOWNS' INSTITUTIONAL AND FINANCIAL CAPABILITIES, INCLUDING FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND RESOURCE MOBILIZATION, ADB ADDED.

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#90338h0041 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (DEC. 4) XINHUA - SHANGHAI GENERATED AN INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT VALUE OF OVER 10.33 BILLION YUAN IN NOVEMBER, UP 2.7 PERCENT OVER THE PREVIOUS MONTH AND 14.6 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR, ACCORDING TO TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE MUNICIPAL STATISTICAL BUREAU.

ECONOMISTS SAY THAT THIS INDICATES SHANGHAI'S INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IS NORMAL.

SHANGHAI'S INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, WHICH WAS AFFECTED BY A SLUGGISH MARKET AND A SHORTAGE OF FUNDS AND RAW MATERIALS, HAD DROPPED SINCE THE FOURTH QUARTER OF LAST YEAR.

THE CITY'S MONTHLY INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT VALUE IN THE FIRST TWO MONTHS OF THIS YEAR WAS LESS THAN EIGHT BILLION YUAN PER MONTH, BUT IT HAS RISEN SINCE MARCH AND REACHED THE RECORD LAST MONTH.

THE OUTPUT VALUE OF LIGHT INDUSTRY INCREASED BY 12.1 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, WHILE HEAVY INDUSTRY WAS UP 17.7 PERCENT. AMONG DIFFERENT SECTORS, STATE ENTERPRISES UP 7.2 PERCENT AND COLLECTIVE-RUN INDUSTRIES UP 14.1 PERCENT.

SHANGHAI HAS MADE STEADY PROGRESS IN ADJUSTING INDUSTRIAL STRUCTURE, AND THE PRODUCT MIX, IN PARTICULAR, AND THE EXPORT-ORIENTED ECONOMY HAS INCREASED STEADILY.

STATISTICS REVEAL THAT FOREIGN-FUNDED ENTERPRISES GENERATED OUTPUT VALUE OF 676 MILLION YUAN LAST MONTH, DOUBLE THE FIGURE FOR THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

AT PRESENT, SHANGHAI'S INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES ARE CONTINUOUSLY ADJUSTING STRUCTURE, DEVELOPING NEW VARIETIES OF PRODUCTS AND IMPROVING ECONOMIC EFFICIENCY.

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NEW DELHI (DEC. 4) XINHUA - DEPRECIATION OF INDIAN RUPEE AGAINST THE U.S. DOLLAR IN RECENT YEARS HAS SERIOUSLY INFLATED INDIA'S EXTERNAL DEBT, THE PRESS TRUST OF INDIA (PTI) REPORTED.

THE EXCHANGE RATE OF THE RUPEE TO THE DOLLAR WAS 15.04 TO ONE AT THE END OF THE YEAR 1988, BUT NOW HAS BECOME 18 TO ONE.

THE VALUE OF INDIA'S AGGREGATE DEBT AS ON DECEMBER 31, 1988, WOULD WORK OUT TO 1,025,920 MILLION RUPEES AT THE EXCHANGE RATE OF THE DOLLAR AT THAT TIME. BUT AT TODAY'S EXCHANGE RATE OF OVER 18 RUPEES TO A DOLLAR, THE VALUE OF THE DEBT GOES UP TO OVER 1,250,000 MILLION RUPEES. THIS DOES NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT ANY ADDITIONS TO THE DEBT OR REPAYMENTS MADE DURING THE COURSE OF THE YEAR.

INDIA'S EXTERNAL DEBT, WHICH STOOD AT 68,354 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS ON DECEMBER 31, 1988, INCREASED TO 69,695 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS AT THE END OF 1989, ACCORDING TO OECD (THE ORGANIZATION FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT) EXTERNAL DEBT STATISTICS.

THERE HAS BEEN STEEP DEPRECIATION OF THE RUPEE VIS-A-VIS OTHER CURRENCIES -- FROM 12.82 RUPEES TO A DOLLAR AT THE END OF 1987 TO 18.05 RUPEES ON NOVEMBER 30 LAST, 23.9 RUPEES TO A POUND STERLING TO 35.16 RUPEES OVER THE SAME PERIOD, 8.04 RUPEES TO A DEUTCHEMARK TO 12.00 RUPEES, 103.84 RUPEES FOR 100 JAPANESE YEN TO 136.05 RUPEES.

ACCORDING TO THE EXTERNAL DEBT TABLES OF OECD, INDIA IS THE THIRD LARGEST DEBTOR IN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN 1989 -- THE FIRST TWO BEING MEXICO WITH 110,500 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS AND BRAZIL WITH 108,627 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

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NEW DELHI (DEC. 4) XINHUA - INDIA IS TRYING TO OBTAIN THE TECHNOLOGY FOR THE CRYOGENIC STAGE OF THE GEO-SYNCHRONOUS LAUNCH VEHICLE (GSLV) FROM THE SOVIET UNION.

ACCORDING TO A REPORT BY "THE TIMES OF INDIA" TODAY, A HIGH-LEVEL SOVIET TEAM HAS VISITED THE INDIAN SPACE RESEARCH ORGANIZATION (ISRO) CENTERS IN BANGALORE CAPITAL OF THE SOUTHERN STATE OF KARNATAKA, AND TRIVANDRUM, CAPITAL OF THE SOUTHWESTERN STATE OF KERALA, FOR DISCUSSIONS RECENTLY.

THE REPORT QUOTED RELIABLE SOURCES AS SAYING THAT THE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER DEAL IS LIKELY TO BE FINALIZED IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

THE SOURCES SAID THAT THOUGH JAPAN, FRANCE AND THE UNITED STATES HAVE BEEN APPROACHED FOR THE TECHNOLOGY, IT IS THE SOVIET TERMS WHICH ARE MOST ATTRACTIVE.

INDIA IS PLANNING TO DEVELOP GSLV IN THE 1990S, WHICH WILL ENABLE INDIA TO LAUNCH THE 2000-KILOGRAM INSAT-2 SERIES OF COMMUNICATION SATELLITES.

THE SOURCES ALSO SAID THAT THE ISRO HAS SOUGHT SOVIET HELP IN DOING THE WIND TUNNEL TESTS ON THE ASLV (AUGMENTED SATELLITE LAUNCH VEHICLE) AND PSLV (POLAR SATELLITE LAUNCH VEHICLE). THE SOVIET UNION IS EXPECTED TO COOPERATE IN THIS TOO.

ISRO, THE SOURCES CLAIMED, HAS APPROACHED HOLLAND FOR THE TESTS BUT THE DUTCH HAS REFUSED.

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#90338h0062 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CANBERRA (DEC. 4) XINHUA - AUSTRALIA'S PUBLIC SECTOR NET DEBT DECREASED TO 99.906 BILLION AUSTRALIAN DOLLARS (ABOUT 78 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) ON JUNE 30 THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO INDICATIVE ESTIMATES RELEASED HERE TODAY BY THE AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS.

THE INDICATIVE ESTIMATES SHOW THAT PUBLIC SECTOR DEBT DECREASED SUBSTANTIALLY IN REAL TERMS FROM 41.1 PERCENT OF GDP ON JUNE 30, 1987 TO 27.1 PERCENT OF GDP ON JUNE 30 THIS YEAR.

LARGE DECREASES IN COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT NET DEBT HAVE BEEN ONLY PARTIALLY AFFECTED BY SMALLER INCREASES IN STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT DEBT OVER THE PAST FOUR YEARS.

THE SHARES OF THE NET DEBT ON JUNE 30, 1990 WERE: COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT, 27.5 PERCENT STATE GOVERNMENT, 68.4 PERCENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT, 4.2 PERCENT.

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#90338h0069 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 4) XINHUA - INDIA'S EXPORTS OF GEMS AND JEWELERY, THE LARGEST FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNER FOR THE COUNTRY, FELL BY 6.04 PERCENT DURING APRIL-SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR, COMPARED WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR, THE PRESS TRUST OF INDIA REPORTED TODAY.

K. P. LAL, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE JUST CONCLUDED INTERNATIONAL GEM STONE TRAINING PROGRAM IN JAIPUR, RAJASTHAN STATE, WAS QUOTED AS SAYING THE EXPORTS OF CUT AND POLISHED DIAMONDS ALONE FELL BY ABOUT NINE PERCENT.

HE ATTRIBUTED THE DROP IN GEM AND JEWELERY EXPORTS TO THE ECONOMIC SLUMP IN THE UNITED STATES -- THE SINGLE LARGEST IMPORTER OF INDIAN GEM AND JEWELERY -- FOLLOWING THE GULF CRISIS.

OTHER REASONS FOR THE STAGNANT GEM EXPORT SITUATION ARE THE COMPARATIVELY SLOW GROWTH AND CONSUMPTION OF CUT AND POLISHED DIAMONDS, DEVALUATION OF JAPANESE YEN AGAINST THE U.S. DOLLAR AND THE FALL IN DEMAND FOR LOWER AND MEDIUM QUALITY DIAMONDS, LAL SAID.

INDIA'S GEM AND JEWELERY EXPORTS WERE ESTIMATED ACCOUNTING FOR NEARLY 20 PERCENT OF THE COUNTRY'S TOTAL EXPORTS IN 1989-90. DIAMONDS ALONE ACCOUNTED FOR ABOUT 91 PERCENT OF ALL EXPORTED GEMS AND JEWELERY.

OTHER MAJOR BUYERS OF INDIAN GEMS AND JEWELERY ARE JAPAN, BELGIUM, HONGKONG, THAILAND, SWITZERLAND, ISRAEL, BRITAIN, THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, GERMANY, SINGAPORE AND AUSTRALIA.

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#90338h0071 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
KATHMANDU (DEC. 4) XINHUA - FARMERS IN NEPAL ARE FACING SHORTAGE OF CHEMICAL FERTILIZERS AND THIS YEAR'S WINTER CROPS ARE BOUND TO BE AFFECTED AS A RESULT.

IN THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THIS FISCAL YEAR (STARTING FROM JULY 16), THE AGRICULTURE INPUTS CORPORATION (AIC) SUPPLIED 62,555 TONS OF CHEMICAL FERTILIZER TO FARMERS, 5,055 TONS MORE THAN THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF LAST FISCAL YEAR, 11,670 TONS BEHIND THE TARGET.

AIC GENERAL MANAGER JAGDISH CHANDRA GAUTAM SAID THAT FERTILIZERS IMPORTED FROM OVERSEAS HAVE NOT YET ARRIVED AND THE QUANTUM OF FERTILIZERS TO BE GIVEN BY INDIA AS ASSISTANCE TO MEET THE EMERGENCY IS NOT EXPECTED TO ARRIVE ON TIME.

IN ORDER THAT THE PROBLEM IS SOLVED FOREVER, HE SAID, THERE HAS TO BE STOCKING FACILITIES FOR AT LEAST A YEAR.

THE DEMAND OF FERTILIZER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR HAS BEEN ESTIMATED AT 200,000 TONS BUT THE COUNTRY'S GODOWN FACILITIES STAND AT 70,000 TONS ONLY.

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#90338h0072 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
ULAN BATOR (DEC. 4) XINHUA - MONGOLIA HAS BANNED SOME COMMODITIES IN SHORT SUPPLY FROM BEING TAKEN OR SENT OUT OF THE COUNTRY THROUGH INTERNATIONAL POSTAL PACKETS OR WITH FOREIGN TRAVELLERS, THE "PEOPLE'S POWER" NEWSPAPER REPORTED TODAY.

THE GENERAL OFFICE OF CUSTOMS STATED THAT THIS INCLUDED CARS, MOTORCYCLES, T.V. SETS, VIDEOS, RECORDERS, REFRIGERATORS, WASHING MACHINES, COTTON TEXTILES WOOL FABRICS, CHILDREN CLOTHES, RICE, WHEAT, AND OIL. THE BAN CAME INTO EFFECT ON DECEMBER 1.

THE NEWSPAPER REPORTED THAT ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT FOR FAMILY USE AND DAILY NECESSITIES HAD BEEN IN SHORT SUPPLY EVEN THOUGH THE GOVERNMENT HAD ARRANGED IMPORTS TO MEET THE DEMAND. COMPLAINTS HAD BEEN MADE THAT THERE HAD BEEN PANIC-BUYING BY FOREIGNERS.

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#90338h0076 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
GABORONE (DEC. 4) XINHUA - ABOUT 10,000 PEOPLE WERE KILLED AND OTHER 32,000 SERIOUSLY INJURED IN LAST YEAR'S 434,000 CAR ACCIDENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA, THE "SOWETEAN" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA REPORTED TODAY.

THE PAPER QUOTED BERNARD MANDELL, FEDERAL COUNCIL CHAIRMAN OF THE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICA, AS SAYING THAT THE CARNAGE ON ROADS HAD REACHED FRIGHTENING PROPORITONS AND STATI- STICS SHOW THAT 15 PEOPLE WERE KILLED IN ACCIDENTS PER DAY.

IT IS BELIEVED THAT DRUNKEN DRIVING WAS A CONTRIBUTORY FACTOR TO THE HIGH ACCIDENT RATE IN THE COUNTRY.

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#90338h0077 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (DEC. 4) XINHUA - THREE BAGS OF HEROIN AND 103,000 MANDRAX TABLETS WITH A COMBINED VALUE OF 17 MILLION RAND (ABOUT 6.76 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) HAVE BEEN SEIZED AT JAN SMUTS AIRPORT IN SOUTH AFRICA.

"THE CITIZEN" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA TODAY QUOTED A SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE LIAISON OFFICER AS TELLING A PRESS CONFERENCE YESTERDAY THAT THE HEROIN APPARENTLY ARRIVED IN SOUTH AFRICA ON A BRITISH AIRWAYS AIRCRAFT ON ITS WAY FROM KARACHI, VIA NAI- ROBI AND JAN SMUTS, TO MAPUTO.

THE DRUGS ARE BELIEVED TO BE THE BIGGEST HAUL EVER SEIZED AT A SOUTH AFRICAN AIRPORT.

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#90338h0085 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

AMMAN (DEC. 4) XINHUA - THE CENTRAL BANK OF JORDAN (CBJ) HAS PLANS TO ISSUE A SET OF NEW BANKNOTES TO REPLACE THE LEGAL TENDER NOW IN CIRCULATION, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST ISSUE OF THE "JORDAN ECONOMIC MONITOR", A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER.

THE "MONITOR," KNOWN FOR INSIDER INFORMATION AND ANALYSIS OF THE JORDANIAN ECONOMY, SAID THAT THE SECURITY APPARATUS AND THE CBJ BELIEVE THAT ISRAEL IS INVOLVED IN PRODUCING COUNTERFEITS IN SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNTS, HENCE THE PLAN TO ISSUE NEW BANKNOTES.

THE "MONITOR" SAID THE NEW BANKNOTES, WHILE SMALLER IN SIZE, WILL BE MORE DIFFICULT TO FORGE.

IN THE EARLY 1970'S, COUNTERFEITS OF 10 JORDANIAN DINARS IN DENOMINATION WERE FOUND. COUNTERFEITS EXCLUSIVELY OF 20 JD IN FACE VALUE WERE FOUND TWICE, IN 1987 AND THIS YEAR.

BANKERS SAY THE 1987 FORGERY WAS OF LIMITED SUCCESS BUT THE MOST RECENT FORGERY WAS SERIOUS DECEPTIVE ENOUGH.

ABOUT 300 FORGED NOTES HAVE BEEN SINGLED OUT BY THE CBJ SO FAR THIS YEAR. REPORTS SAID THE ONLY LIKELY SOURCE OF THE FORGERY WAS THE ARAB TERRITORIES UNDER ISRAELI OCCUPATION.

"IT IS NOW FAIRLY ESTABLISHED THAT THE FORGERY HAS BEEN MASTER-MINDED BY THE ISRAELI INTELLIGENCE SERVICES (MOSSAD), AND THAT LARGE AMOUNTS OF THE JD-20 -- PERHAPS IN EXCESS OF 6 MILLION JD -- HAVE BEEN PRINTED." ACCORDING TO A REPORT

IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE "JORDAN TIMES."

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#90338h0107 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (DEC. 4) XINHUA - SHANGHAI EXPORTED 4.83 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS-WORTH IN THE FIRST ELEVEN MONTHS OF THE YEAR, UP 7.8 PERCENT OVER A YEAR AGO.

IT HAS OVERFULFILLED THE STATE QUOTA OF THE YEAR BY 111.9 PERCENT, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS RELEASED HERE TODAY.

STATISTICS BY THE CITY'S FOREIGN TRADE COMMISSION SHOW THAT THE CITY EXPORTED 486 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS-WORTH IN NOVEMBER, REGISTERING AN INCREASE OF 25.6 PERCENT OVER THE PREVIOUS MONTH.

THE FIGURE WAS 26.92 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS LESS THAN THAT OF THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COMMISSION SAID THE CITY'S EXPORT VOLUME FOR THIS YEAR IS EXPECTED TO EXCEED LAST YEAR'S 5.032 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

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#90338h0109 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SINGAPORE (DEC. 4) XINHUA - COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE INDONESIAN ARMED FORCES GEN. TRY SUTRISNO IS IN SINGAPORE FOR A TWO-DAY VISIT.

DURING THE VISIT, GENERAL TRY, WHO WAS INVITED BY THE SINGAPORE ARMED FORCES CHIEF OF DEFENSE FORCE LIEUT. GEN. WINSTON CHOO, WILL CALL ON SINGAPOREAN PRIME MINISTER GOH CHOK TONG AND SECOND DEFENSE MINISTER YEO NING HONG.

THE DEFENSE MINISTRY SAID THAT THE VISIT SHOWS THE CLOSE TIES BETWEEN THE ARMED FORCES OF INDONESIA AND SINGAPORE.

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#90338h0129 12/04/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ADDIS ABABA (DEC. 4) XINHUA - THE ETHIOPIAN MINISTRY OF COFFEE AND TEA DEVELOPMENT HAS INTRODUCED NEW COFFEE MARKE- TING PROCEDURES TO CONTAIN ILLICIT TRADE IN THE CROP.

UNDER NEW MEASURES ANNOUNCED AT A MEETING ATTENDED BY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND THOSE INVOLVED IN COFFEE EXPORT, PEOPLE WHO CLOSELY COOPERATE WITH GOVERNMENT AGENCIES IN CHECKING ILLEGAL COFFEE MARKETING OR PIP OFF ILLICIT TRANSACTIONS WILL RECEIVE 60 PERCENT OF THE PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF THE COFFEE CAPTURED FROM CONTRABANDISTS.

THE MINISTRY ALSO ANNOUNCED THE ETHIOPIAN COFFEE MARKETING CORPORATION AND THE

ETHIOPIAN DOMESTIC DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION WILL BE THE ONLY BODIES IN THE SALE AND MARKETING OF COFFEE FOR LOCAL CONSUMPTION.

QUALITY COFFEE WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE PEOPLE DIRECTLY BY THE TWO CORPORATIONS INSTEAD THROUGH LOCAL NEIGHBOURHOOD COMMITTEES OR OTHER TRADE OUTLETS AS DONE IN THE PAST.

ETHIOPIA PRODUCES BETWEEN 150,000 TO 18,000 TONS OF COFFEE EVERY YEAR, AND ABOUT HALF OF THE OUTPUT IS CONSUMED AT HOME.

CONTRABAND TRADE HAS BEEN CONSIDERED AS ONE OF THE MAJOR CAUSES HINDERING ETHIOPIA FROM EXPORTING MORE QUALITY COFFEE IN THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET. COFFEE IS THE COUNTRY'S NUMBER ONE FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNER.

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#90338k0019 12/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 4) KYODO - KIKKOMAN CORP.'S JOINT VENTURE IN TAIWAN, PRESIDENT KIKKOMAN INC., HAS BEGUN SHIPMENT OF SOYSAUCE, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

IT IS THE FOURTH KIKKOMAN MANUFACTURING BASE ABROAD TO START SHIPMENT, FOLLOWING COMPANIES IN THE U.S., SINGAPORE, AND BRAZIL, THEY SAID.

IN ADDITION TO THE REGULAR SOYSAUCE, THE COMPANY WILL SELL SWEET SOYSAUCE TARGETED FOR THE TAIWANESE MARKET. THE OFFICIALS SAID THAT WITHIN A FEW YEARS THEY HOPE TO RAISE SALES TO 3,000 KILOLITERS A YEAR.

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#90338k0029 12/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NAGOYA (DEC. 4) KYODO - TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. SAID TUESDAY IT IS STUDYING PLANS TO BUILD A SECOND LIGHT TRUCK ASSEMBLY PLANT IN THAILAND TO KEEP UP WITH THE EXPANDING MARKET THERE.

VEHICLE SALES IN THAILAND HAVE EXPANDED 50 PERCENT FROM JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER, COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, TO 245,868 VEHICLES, OFFICIALS SAID. TOYOTA ACCOUNTED FOR 61,990 OF THOSE VEHICLES.

THE OFFICIALS ADDED THAT THAILAND'S HIGH CUSTOMS DUTIES ON IMPORTED VEHICLES COULD BE AVOIDED BY ASSEMBLING MORE TRUCKS IN THAILAND.

THE PROPOSED PLANT'S LOCATION HAS YET TO BE DECIDED, BUT, IF THE COMPANY APPROVES THE PLANS, IT HOPES TO BEGIN CONSTRUCTION NEXT YEAR, WITH COMPLETION IN 1993, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE NEW PLANT WOULD ASSEMBLE 100,000 VEHICLES PER YEAR, INCREASING TOYOTA'S YEARLY LIGHT TRUCK OUTPUT IN THAILAND TO 160,000 VEHICLES, OFFICIALS SAID.

TOYOTA MOTOR THAILAND CO., A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF THE PARENT COMPANY, NOW ASSEMBLES ABOUT 60,000 LIGHT TRUCKS PER YEAR ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF BANGKOK, OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90338k0031 12/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 4) KYODO - FUJITSU LTD. SAID TUESDAY IT HAS AGREED WITH QUOTIENT PLC OF BRITAIN TO JOINTLY DEVELOP A COMPUTER SOFTWARE PACKAGE FOR MANAGING INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS.

THE NEW SYSTEM IS EXPECTED TO BE COMMERCIALIZED BY FEBRUARY 1993, WITH SALES TARGETED AT JAPANESE AND BRITISH SECURITIES HOUSES, FUJITSU SAID.

WITH THE SYSTEM, SECURITIES FIRMS AND BANKS WILL BE ABLE BOTH TO PLACE GLOBAL ORDERS FOR STOCKS AND BONDS AND ALSO MANAGE AND SETTLE THE TRANSACTIONS, FOR THE FIRST TIME, FUJITUSU SAID.

THE PACKAGE WILL BE SUITABLE FOR USE IN CONJUNCTION WITH FUJITSU'S M-SERIES MAIN FRAME COMPUTERS, IT SAID.

FUJITSU SAID THE SYSTEM IS CAPABLE OF TRANSFERRING INFORMATION TO DIVERSE HOST COMPUTERS, AVOIDING DUPLICATION OF DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS TASKS. FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS USUALLY RUN DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SECTORS SEPARATELY.

THE PACKAGE WILL BE OWNED, MARKETED AND SUPPORTED WORLDWIDE BY BOTH FUJITSU AND QUOTIENT.

THE LONDON-BASED QUOTIENT IS A FINANCIAL SYSTEMS CONSULTANT, AS WELL AS A SUPPLIER OF COMPUTER SOFTWARE SYSTEMS TO FINANCIAL HOUSES. THE QUOTIENT GROUP IS CAPITALIZED AT 3.3 MILLION POUNDS AND RECORDED A TURNOVER OF 19 MILLION POUNDS LAST YEAR.

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#90338k0060 12/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (DEC. 4) KYODO - SANYO ELECTRIC CO. SAID TUESDAY IT WILL BEGIN CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PLANT TO MANUFACTURE LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY UNITS IN JAPAN EARLY NEXT YEAR.

OFFICIALS SAID THE NEW PLANT WILL FOCUS ON FABRICATING ACTIVE MATRIX, THIN-FILM TRANSISTOR COLOR DISPLAYS FOR PORTABLE TELEVISIONS AND PROJECTORS.

THE 30 BILLION YEN, TWO-STORY PLANT WILL SIT ON A 15,000 SQUARE METER LANDSITE IN GIFU PREFECTURE, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW PLANT WILL BEGIN IN SPRING 1991, WITH PRODUCTION TO

START SOMETIME IN 1993, THEY SAID.

THE PLANT IS EXPECTED TO PRODUCE 30 BILLION YEN WORTH OF LCD PRODUCTS IN 1995, INCLUDING 10-INCH DISPLAY UNITS, THEY SAID.

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#90338k0063 12/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 4) KYODO - THE PHILIPPINE INFLATION RATE ROSE TO 13.1 PERCENT IN NOVEMBER, UP FROM THE 12.0 PERCENT IN OCTOBER, AS PRICES OF CONSUMER GOODS AND SERVICES SURGED, THE GOVERNMENT SAID TUESDAY.

THE INFLATION RATE FOR MANILA JUMPED TO 16.6 PERCENT IN NOVEMBER FROM 15.8 PERCENT THE PREVIOUS MONTH, WHILE THAT IN AREAS OUTSIDE METROPOLITAN MANILA WAS PUT AT 12.3 PERCENT, UP FROM 11.2 PERCENT IN OCTOBER.

THE PRICES OF MOST CONSUMER ITEMS INCREASED SIGNIFICANTLY IN NOVEMBER AS REFLECTED IN A 2.0 PERCENT MONTH-ON-MONTH HIKE IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX.

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR THE COUNTRY AS A WHOLE WAS 525.5, WHILE FOR METROPOLITAN MANILA IT WAS 580.6 AND FOR AREAS OUTSIDE METROPOLITAN MANILA IT WAS 514.9. THE INDEX WAS 100 IN THE BASE YEAR 1979.

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#90338k0065 12/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 4) KYODO - EISAI CO. SAID TUESDAY IT HAS SET UP A JOINT VENTURE IN TOKYO WITH ITALY'S SECOND LARGEST PHARMACEUTICAL MANUFACTURER, BRACCO INDUSTRIA CHIMICA, TO SELL X-RAY CONTRAST MEDIA.

BRACCO-EISAI CO. WILL IMPORT THE NONIONIC CONTRST MEDIUM, DUBBED IOMEPROL, CURRENTLY BEING DEVELOPED BY BRACCO, BEGINNING IN 1992. SALES WILL BE HANDLED BY EISAI.

EISAI HAS INVESTED 49 PERCENT AND BRACCO 51 PERCENT IN THE NEW IMPORTING COMPANY, CAPITALIZED AT 10 MILLION YEN.

IOMEPROL IS A LIQUID WHICH IS INJECTED INTO THE BLOOD STREAM OF A PATIENT. UNDER X-RAY, IOMEPROL HIGHLIGHTS BLOOD FLOW AND ENABLES DIAGNOSIS OF POSSIBLE HEART TROUBLE.

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#90338k0069 12/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 4) KYODO - SUMITOMO CORP. SAID TUESDAY IT HAS SIGNED A CONTRACT WITH WATES CITY OF LONDON PLC, A BRITISH DEVELOPER, TO JOINTLY HANDLE OFFICE RENTAL BUSINESS IN LONDON.

AS A FIRST STEP, SUMITOMO AND ITS BRITISH UNIT WILL INVEST SOME 43 MILLION POUNDS IN VINTNERS PLACE LTD., A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF WATES, TO HELP THE BRITISH CONCERN DOUBLE ITS CAPITAL, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

VINTNERS IS NOW INVOLVED IN CONSTRUCTION OF A SIX-FLOOR RENTAL OFFICE BUILDING WITH TWO STORIES UNDERGROUND IN THE FINANCIAL DISTRICT OF LONDON.

THE OFFICIALS SAID SUMITOMO AND ITS BRITISH SUBSIDIARY WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE 200 MILLION POUND PROJECT, WHICH THEY SAID IS SUMITOMO'S FIRST INVESTMENT IN BRITISH REAL ESTATE.

SUMITOMO EXPECTS THE PROJECT TO GIVE IT THE REAL ESTATE KNOW-HOW NEEDED TO EXPAND INTO THE EUROPEAN REAL ESTATE MARKET, THEY ADDED.

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#90338k0077 12/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 4) KYODO - A NEWLY FORMED JAPANESE PARLIAMENTARIANS' GROUP TO PROMOTE FRIENDSHIP WITH SOVIET SAKHALIN ON TUESDAY URGED PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU TO OFFER FOOD AND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO JAPAN'S "NORTHERN NEIGHBOR."

"GERMANY, FRANCE AND OTHER WESTERN COUNTRIES HAVE ALREADY CONCRETIZED PLANS TO HELP THE SOVIET UNION OVERCOME SEVERE SHORTAGES AS IT MOVES TO INTRODUCE A MARKET ECONOMY," THE SAKHALIN FRIENDSHIP PARLIAMENTARIANS LEAGUE SAID IN A PETITION TO KAIFU.

NOTING THAT SAKHALIN IS CLOSER TO TOKYO THAN TO MOSCOW, THE 45- MEMBER SUPRAPARTISAN GROUP URGED THE GOVERNMENT TO OFFER NECESSARY ASSISTANCE TO THE SOVIET FAR EAST ISLAND, NORTH OF HOKKAIDO.

THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS INDICATED IT IS READY TO OFFER MEDICAL AID, BUT NOT FOOD ASSISTANCE TO THE SOVIET UNION.

MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAY THAT IT IS DIFFICULT FOR JAPAN TO OFFER FOOD AID BECAUSE THE SOVIET UNION IS NOT ELIGIBLE UNDER JAPAN'S OFFICIAL FOREIGN AID PROGRAM.

THE SAKHALIN FRIENDSHIP PARLIAMENTARIANS LEAGUE WAS ESTABLISHED LAST MONTH TO PROMOTE PRIVATE-SECTOR ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL EXCHANGES WITH SAKHALIN.

THE GROUP ALSO HOPES TO HELP BUILD TRUST BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS IN ADVANCE OF SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV'S VISIT TO JAPAN, PLANNED FOR NEXT APRIL.

LEAGUE CHAIRMAN IS FUMIO ABE, A LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM HOKKAIDO.

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#90338k0086 12/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
NEW DELHI (DEC. 4) KYODO - BANGLADESHI OPPOSITION SUPPORTERS ON TUESDAY STAGED AN EIGHT-HOUR GENERAL STRIKE AND REJECTED A PROPOSAL MADE BY PRESIDENT HOSSAIN MOHAMMAD ERSHAD MONDAY NIGHT IN WHICH HE OFFERED TO RESIGN TEMPORARILY PRIOR TO THE NEXT PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING NEW DELHI.

OPPOSITION GROUPS ALSO HELD DEMONSTRATIONS IN VARIOUS PLACES IN THE CAPITAL DHAKA, TO BACK UP THEIR DEMAND FOR ERSHAD'S IMMEDIATE RESIGNATION, THE REPORTS SAID.

SECURITY FORCES REFRAINED FROM ATTEMPTING TO CRUSH THE HUNDREDS OR THOUSANDS OF DEMONSTRATORS IN THE CAPITAL WHO SHOUTED SUCH SLOGANS AS "VICTORY IS IN OUR HANDS," AND "ERSHAD OUT," THE REPORTS SAID.

MOST OFFICES AND SHOPS IN DHAKA CLOSED DURING THE GENERAL STRIKE, WHICH BEGAN AT 6 A.M.(LOCAL TIME), AND MOST TRAFFIC IN THE CITY ALSO CAME TO A STANDSTILL, THEY SAID.

THE OPPOSITION HAS CALLED FOR NATIONWIDE DAILY EIGHT-HOUR GENERAL STRIKES FROM TUESDAY THROUGH NEXT SUNDAY AND A 72-HOUR GENERAL STRIKE NEXT MONDAY.

ON THE EVE OF THIS LATEST SERIES OF GENERAL STRIKES, ERSHAD OFFERED TO HAND OVER POWER TO A NEUTRAL VICE PRESIDENT WHO WOULD HEAD A CARETAKER GOVERNMENT IN ORDER TO PREPARE FOR THE NEXT PRESIDENTIAL AND GENERAL ELECTIONS. HE SAID HE WOULD RESIGN 15 DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTIONS ARE HELD.

ERSHAD ALSO PLEDGED TO LIFT THE STATE OF EMERGENCY ON DECEMBER 16. A STATE OF EMERGENCY WAS DECLARED NOVEMBER 27 AMID GROWING GOVERNMENT-OPPOSITION CONFRONTATIONS.

ON TUESDAY, HOWEVER, MAJOR OPPOSITION PARTIES INCLUDING THE BANGLADESH NATIONALIST PARTY AND THE AWAMI LEAGUE FLATLY REJECTED ERSHAD'S PROPOSAL AND REITERATED THEIR DEMAND THAT HE IMMEDIATELY RESIGN AND HAND OVER POWER TO A CARETAKER GOVERNMENT.

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#90338k0089 12/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
BANGKOK (DEC. 4) KYODO - THE THAI GOVERNMENT ON TUESDAY ADOPTED A REVISED POLICY TOWARD THE SOVIET UNION, EMPHASIZING THE PROMOTION OF ECONOMIC AND TRADE RELATIONS, FOREIGN MINISTER SUBIN PINKHAYAN SAID.

SUBIN TOLD REPORTERS THAT THAI PRIVATE BUSINESS WILL BE ENCOURAGED TO DIRECTLY APPROACH THE VARIOUS COMPONENT REPUBLICS OF THE SOVIET UNION ON TRADE, INVESTMENT, AND OTHER ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES, WITHOUT GOING THROUGH THE CENTRAL SOVIET GOVERNMENT AS IN THE PAST.

THE THAI GOVERNMENT WOULD SET UP A JOINT COMMITTEE WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO FACILITATE SUCH A MOVE, HE SAID.

THE NEW POLICY, BASED ON A FOREIGN MINISTRY PROPOSAL, WAS APPROVED BY THE CABINET IN A WEEKLY MEETING TUESDAY, SUBIN SAID.

THE MOVE, ACCORDING TO ANOTHER GOVERNMENT SOURCE, WAS PART OF AN ENTIRE REVISED POLICY OF THAILAND TOWARD THE SOVIET UNION BECAUSE OF THE GREAT CHANGES TAKING PLACE THERE.

THAT REVISED POLICY, PROPOSED BY THAILAND'S NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL AND ALSO APPROVED ON TUESDAY, FULLY ENCOURAGES GREATER ECONOMIC EXCHANGE, BUT CAUTIONS AGAINST CLOSER POLITICAL AND CULTURAL TIES WITH THE SOVIET UNION, THE SOURCE SAID.

THE THAI GOVERNEMENT, HOWEVER, WILL CONTINUE TO ADHERE TO THE GENERAL POLICY THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIA (ASEAN) TAKES TOWARD THE SOVIET UNION, THE SOURCE SAID.

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TOKYO (DEC. 4) KYODO - JAPAN AND CHINA WILL OPEN NEGOTIATIONS ON REGULAR FERRY SERVICE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES DECEMBER 11 IN BEIJING, THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY ANNOUNCED TUESDAY.

THE TALKS WILL FOCUS ON TOKYO'S REQUEST THAT JAPANESE SHIPPING LINES BE ALLOWED TO OPERATE TWO ROUTES.

CHINA NOW OPERATES TWO ONCE-A-MONTH ROUTES FROM SHANGHAI TO KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

JAPAN WILL ALSO ASK THAT JAPANESE SHIPPING FIRMS BE ALLOWED TO OPEN OFFICES IN CHINA TO CONDUCT BUSINESS, THE MINISTRY SAID.

THE TWO COUNTRIES HELD TEIR FIRST ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS IN DECEMBER 1988.

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TOKYO (DEC. 4) KYODO - THE FINANCE MINISTRY IS STUDYING MEASURES AIMED AT CURBING LENDING BY BANKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS FOR REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS IN ORDER TO STEM LAND PRICE INFLATION, MINISTRY SOURCES SAID TUESDAY.

BANK LOANS TO FINANCE REAL ESTATE DEALS HAVE BEEN CRITICIZED AS A MAJOR CAUSE OF THE ONGOING LAND PRICE SPIRAL.

THE LATEST MOVE FOLLOWS THE EARLIER SETTING BY THE MINISTRY OF REGULATIONS GOVERNING GROWTH IN REAL ESTATE-RELATED LOANS, WHICH HAVE ALREADY SERVED TO SLASH SUCH LENDING BY FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.

THE SOURCES SAID THE MINISTRY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, IS PLANNING WHAT IT CALLS A ''TRIGGER'' SYSTEM, A MECHANISM UNDER WHICH REAL ESTATE-RELATED LENDING WOULD BE LIMITED WHENEVER GROWTH IN SUCH LOANS OUTPACES THAT IN OVERALL LENDING FOR TWO MONTHS OR MORE.

ALSO BEING CONSIDERED IS NEW LEGISLATION GOVERNING SO-CALLED ''NON-BANK'' INSTITUTIONS SUCH AS CREDIT AND LEASING COMPANIES IN ORDER TO REGULATE THEIR LENDING ACTIVITIES.

THESE COMPANIES PLAY A MAJOR PART IN THE NATION'S REAL ESTATE MARKET, WITH THEIR OVERALL OUTSTANDING LOANS EXCEEDING THOSE BY THE NATION'S CREDIT UNIONS.

AS FOR INSURANCE COMPANIES, THE MINISTRY PLANS TO MAINTAIN ITS INSTRUCTION DEMANDING THAT THEY KEEP GROWTH IN REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT BELOW THAT IN OVERALL ASSETS, THE SOURCES SAID.

THESE MEASURES, WHICH ARE IN LINE WITH RECOMMENDATIONS MADE TUESDAY BY THE RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY'S PANEL ON FINANCE, WILL BE DRAFTED IN DETAIL AS EARLY AS NEXT SPRING, THE SOURCES SAID.

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#90338k0101 12/04/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SEOUL (DEC. 4) KYODO - JAPANESE GANGSTERS HAVE GATHERED IN THE SOUTH KOREAN PORT CITY OF PUSAN, OSTENSIBLY FOR A "YEAR-END" PARTY AND SOME TOURISM, POLICE SAID TUESDAY.

BUT POLICE AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES FEAR THE VISIT MAY BE AN EFFORT TO STRENGTHEN TIES BETWEEN UNDERWORLD GROUPS ON OPPOSITE SIDES OF THE NARROW STRAITS THAT SEPARATE THE TWO NATIONS.

ACCORDING TO PUSAN POLICE, OVER 70 MEMBERS OF A FUKUOKA-BASED GANG AFFILIATED WITH JAPAN'S LARGEST YAKUZA FAMILY, THE YAMAGUCHI-GUMI, HAVE BEEN ARRIVING IN THE SOUTHEASTERN COASTAL CITY SINCE SUNDAY.

THE JAPANESE GANGSTERS HAVE STRESSED THAT THEY ARE IN PUSAN FOR A "YEAR-END" PARTY AND SOME TOURISM, BUT POLICE REMAIN SUSPICIOUS, SINCE EACH MEMBER IS REPORTEDLY CARRYING BETWEEN 600,000 YEN AND 1 MILLION YEN.

THE SOUTH KOREAN PRESS HAS SOUNDED THE ALARM, SAYING THAT THE JAPANESE YAKUZA HAVE LANDED AND ARE AIMING TO LEND SUPPORT TO KOREAN GANGSTERS.

THE JAPANESE CONSULATE IN PUSAN SAID IT IS KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH THE POLICE.

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#90338m0001 12/04/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys
FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 4) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The NIKKEI fell 863.38 points or 3.8% on light volume. ... In London midday trading, stocks are lower and the FTSE is down 7.1. ... Brent North Sea crude is up a quarter to $29.85 ... The dollar is down in early morning trading. ... The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PURCHASING MANAGEMENT says its index of economic activity fell to 41.3% in November from 43.4% in October, placing it at its lowest point since November 1982. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT says construction spending rose 1.3% in October, largely because of record government spending. protection.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

New home sales for October are scheduled for release at 10 a.m. EST. They are expected to show a drop of 2% to 3%, indicating a continuing slump in the nation's real-estate industry. ... SEARS is expected to report that its sales in stores open at least a year declined as much as 4% in November. ... "The Wall Street Journal" is reporting that in an effort to reduce the credit crunch, the FEDERAL RESERVE may lower the reserve requirement today - the first change in seven years.

FROM THE BULLS:

"There is something in the market for everybody," says JON GROVEMAN, president of LADENBURG, THALMANN & CO. Although he says the economy remains "a disaster " he also says the encouraging developments in the Middle East crisis are giving investors some confidence about putting money into stocks. "I wouldn't get carried away on the buy side," he says, "but I think the burden of proof at this stage is on the bears rather than the bulls." Mr. Groveman says investors also are being encouraged by the dollar's rebound from its recent lows. (WSJ, 12/4)

FROM THE BEARS:

"No one is willing to throw all their pennies into the pond yet," says DAN WILLIAMS at DILLON, READ & CO. ("USA Today", 12/4)

STOCK MARKET:

"The Dow [Monday] was kind of misleading to me," says ED NICOSKI at PIPER, JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. "Even though the Dow stocks were up, the real strength was

in secondary issues, particularly technology, brought about by the NCR bid." Nicoski looks for the market to trend lower until the January 15 deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait, and says the Dow could be misleading. "I think 2650 or 2700 is a possibility in terms of the Dow, but I don't think the Dow's going to be that meaningful." ("Investor's Daily", 12/4)

"I think rather than getting really bullish just here, I would be content to hold my positions in pharmaceuticals, tobacco, soft drinks and utilities and stick with those through the end of the year to see if this really does turn the bottom and we get into a new bull market phase," says RONALD HILL at BROWN BROS. HARRIMAN. "The underpinnings for a new, very strong, very good market are in place. What you need to take away, however, is this geopolitical uncertainty [in the Middle East]. As long as that remains, it's going to be very hard to become very, very bullish about equities." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/4)

"The market's had a big rebound off of its low a few weeks a go," says SCUDDER STEVENS & CLARK's HOWARD WARD. He says the market may "take a rest for a while," but is encouraged that stocks were able to "hold on to their gains." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/3)

"It's a whipsaw market with concentration of specific stocks," says JACK SOLOMON, technical analyst at BEAR STEARNS. Even though a peaceful solution to the Mideast crisis may now be possible, money managers remain deeply concerned about a U.S. recession. (WSJ, 12/4)

"What we are seeing is a buildup of investor conviction," says EUGENE PERONI, chief technical analyst at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT in Philadelphia. He adds that "the market handled itself well last week, despite all the economic ambiguities and military uncertainties." (NYT, 12/4)

"The real excitement [yesterday] was pretty much limited to NCR and AT&T," says THOMAS GALLAGHER at OPPENHEIMER. "But compared to what we've been seeing trading in the broader market was fairly heavy. For many weeks, on Monday the market has done absolutely nothing, but today was definitely different." ("The Washington Post", 12/4)

STOCK TIPS:

In the quarter ended September 30, computer disk maker SEAGATE turned in results lower than anticipated by Wall Street after losing market share at the low end of PC market. But analyst ALEXA McCLOUGHAN at INTERNATIONAL DATA CORPORATION says, "There is a lot of change afoot at Seagate. It's like the company woke up." The company developed the disk drive for the PC in 1979. After being slow to reacting to changes in the volatile industry, the company promises a new strategy of plentiful new products brought quickly to market. ("Investor's Daily", 12/4)

Analysts say AT&T will acquire NCR - it's just a matter of price. "I think that at that price [90 a share], NCR's in play," says DICK SHAFFER of TECHNOLOGIC PARTNERS. "The company is gone." He says combining the two companies would be easier than other mergers. "If AT&T can shrink NCR without sapping its morale, there's a huge customer base to capitalize on." WILLIAM ZACHMANN, president of CANOPUS RESEARCH INC., says: "If I was sitting at IBM headquarters, I'd be biting my fingernails really hard. AT&T is in a remarkably good position to challenge not only IBM but a lot of other players in the computer business." ("USA Today", 12/4)

"I believe that NCR and AT&T combined will bring out the new generation of computers, a multi-media media computer carrying voice, video, data, fax - integrating all these media together into one terminal whereas before you had many different appliances doing the same function," says STUART CRANE at GRUNTAL & CO. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/4)

"AT&T is trying to do several things" with its buyout bid for NCR," according to SANFORD C. BERNSTEIN & CO. telecommunications analyst GREG SAWERS. He says AT&T is attempting to strengthen its computer business. He says the $90 price is fair, and that AT&T is likely to do whatever is necessary to make sure the deal goes through. ("Nightly Business Report", 12/3)

Airline stocks "are terrible investments," says LOUIS EHRENKRANTZ of LADENBURG THALMANN. He says that the only hopes of profiting in airline stocks are through takeovers. (CNBC "The Moneywheel", 12/4)

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#90338m0002 12/04/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 4) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

The currency market sees the Middle East negotiations as "another case of things are good, but not that good, so we shouldn't sell dollars quite yet," says JOSE GONZALEZ, manager of foreign exchange at the NATIONAL BANK OF DETROIT. (WSJ, 12/4)

A TREASURY DEPARTMENT report says the government wants to see the trade deficit reduced through an improving economy, not through a weak dollar. "That would be a change," says ROBERT BRUSCA, chief economist at NIKKO SECURITIES. "The administration has been in favor of letting the dollar fall to improve U.S. competitiveness." ("USA Today", 12/4)

"We're seeing where banks are just cutting back on lines of credit to CONFERENCE. Those cuts hurt the ability of businesses to find credit and

therefore to operate normally. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/3)

"It is very clear that the Japanese banks, especially the second tier banks, are having funding problems of the kind that American banks have had - that is to say they have trouble attracting deposits, attracting CDs," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." He says the Japanese banks were heavily into the federal funds market in the United States last week "and that's why federal funds stayed high even though the Fed was pumping out like mad. That is a new phenomenon in the world. That is extremely interesting and has large implications." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/4)

MERRILL LYNCH has been touting bonds for months, but chief investment officer CHARLES CLOUGH says his bullishness has gotten more intense after the invasion of Kuwait. Clough believes world economic leaders will make a concerted effort to hold down rates after the crisis has passed and his expectations for a rising dollar would make bonds doubly attractive. Clough likes a portfolio of 40% bonds, 50% stocks - with an emphasis on utilities - and 10% cash. ("Investor's Daily", 12/4)

Five of six market strategists interviewed by "Investor's Daily" expect interest rates to decline in 1991 by 25-100 basis points, depending on bond maturity. But LEHMAN's STEPHEN SLIFER sees at least a 50% chance of war in the Mideast which would result in higher oil prices, higher interest rates and a weaker economy. "I would not want to own bonds. I would take my profits and run," says Slifer. He thinks a war would trigger the second recession since World War II in which bond yields do not drop - the first was in 1973-1975 after the Arab oil embargo. ("Investor's Daily", 12/4)

"Given the lack of reaction to the purchasing managers' report, you have to wonder if, for the short-term, there isn't too much bullish sentiment already built into [bond] prices," says WARD McCARTHY, a managing director at STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. (NYT, 12/4)

THE ECONOMY:

"I would assume the fourth quarter will be negative," says SIDNEY JONES, assistant secretary of the TREASURY for economic policy and one of the economists who helps prepare the White House forecast. "If what we know now holds, the first quarter probably would be negative as well." Mr. Jones stressed, however, that developments over the next few weeks could change how he and others in the administration view the economy. (WSJ, 12/4)

ALAN LEVINSON, an economist with WEFA GROUP, says the figures in the declining purchasing managers' index "confirm the fact that we are slipping deeper into recession." ROBERT CHANDROSS, chief economist at LLOYDS BANK, calls the survey figures "unambiguously weak." ("The Washington Post", 12/4)

The purchasing managers' index "is a dose of gloom," says NORMAN ROBERTSON,

chief economist at MELLON BANK in Pittsburgh. "It suggests further declines in output and rising unemployment." (WSJ, 12/4)

"Construction spending will get worse before it gets better," says WILLIAM MacREYNOLDS of the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. "The purchasing managers index is quite a bit below the danger point." He says that means we are currently in a recession. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/3)

"What we've got here is a triple whammy," says DANIEL BARRY, retail analyst at KIDDER, PEABODY & CO. "A recessionary economy, a lack of exciting new toys and a slowing Nintendo. All this doesn't spell a very Merry Christmas." PAUL VALENTINE, toy analyst at STANDARD & POOR'S CORP., adds, "The overall dollars spent on toys this Christmas has got to be less than last year. I just don't see how they could equal." (WSJ, 12/4)

IN WASHINGTON:

Former Secretary of State ALEXANDER HAIG, now with WORLDWIDE ASSOCIATES says "the thought of an 18-month stalemate [over the crisis in the Persian Gulf], with inflated oil prices throughout that period, is a rather serious picture for the global economic situation." He says that developments in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union make it imperative to solve the crisis immediately. Haig is "skeptical" that the visit by current SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER "will reinforce the message we have already sent." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/3)

"It is my feeling that we should be patient in applying military force" against Iraq, says SEN. ROBERT BYRD (D. - West Va.). Other Senators express similar reservations about the use of force to remove Saddam Hussein's troops from Kuwait. "Military action is justified," says SEN. SAM NUNN (D. - Georgia). "The question is whether it is necessary and wise at this time or whether the U.N. embargo has a reasonable chance of accomplishing our goals." (CNBC "World Business Today", 12/4)

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#90338p0007 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

JOHNSTOWN, PA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Penn Traffic Co. (AMEX: PNF) today announced earnings as follows:

Period	13 Weeks		39 Weeks	
Ended	11/3/90	10/28/89	11/3/90	10/28/89 (A)
Net sales	$664,792,000	$693,692,000	$2,078,933,000	$1,912,045,000
Operating income	25,859,000	23,769,000	73,236,000	60,503,000
Operating cash flow	43,347,000	39,553,000	124,246,000	103,422,000
Net loss before equity				

investment in net loss of affiliated company	(3,923,000)	(3,972,000)	(14,763,000)	(19,256,000)
Equity in net loss of Grand Union (B)	(2,768,000)	(2,996,000)	(10,334,000)	(2,996,000)
Net loss	(6,691,000)	(6,968,000)	(25,097,000)	(22,252,000)
Loss per common share	$(1.35)	$(1.51)	$(4.96)	$(4.68)
Average common shares outstanding	5,555,733	5,200,433	5,555,733	5,178,092

(A) Includes the results of Big Bear Stores Co. since April 1, 1989. (B) Amounts are the company's portion of the net losses related to its 24.3 percent equity interest in GND Holdings (corporate parent of Grand Union). As of Nov. 3, 1990, the entire original investment of $18,250,000 has been written off to expense.

The Penn Traffic Co. and its subsidiaries, excluding Grand Union, operate 187 supermarkets in Pennsylvania, New York, Ohio and West Virginia. The company owns and operates one of the largest dairy processing and ice cream manufacturing operations in Pennsylvania, along with two large bakery operations in New York and Ohio. It also operates 29 Harts department stores, along with four supermarket-discount department store combinations. The company wholesales groceries to 123 independently owned stores, which operate under the Riverside Markets, Bi-Lo Markets and Big M names, and provides wholesaling services in 96 other independent supermarkets. Penn Traffic and its subsidiaries employ approximately 24,000. Grand Union operates 307 supermarkets and food stores under the Grand Union and Big Star trade names. Grand Union's stores are located in Vermont, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut New Hampshire and Georgia. Grand Union has approximately 22,000 employees.

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#90338p0015 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Classic Medical Group Inc. reported net sales of $3,450,002 for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, an increase of 17 percent over net sales for the year ended Sept. 30, 1989. Net income for year ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $457,327 or 13.4 cents per share, compared to net income of $3,364.00 or .001 cents per share for the previous year.

Robert A. Macur, president of the company, explained that the increase in sales was attributable to growth in base accounts. He also stated that 1990

was an investment year in an additional plant, equipment, and people to assure that Classics' productive and human capacity could meet the demand, and service needs of its customers in 1991 and 1992.

Classic Medical Group Inc. manufactures and distributes disposable medical electrodes for a broad variety of medical procedures such as ECG, EKG, Stimulation, EMG and Impedance. Classic Medical sells to dealers, distributors, and instrumentation manufacturers (OEM).

Classic Medical Group Inc. was formerly named Primus Development Group I, Ltd. The name change was effective Sept. 20, 1990. Classic Medical Group Inc.'s stock is traded OTC. Hayne, Miller and Farni Inc., Minneapolis, Minn., makes a market in the stock.

CLASSIC MEDICAL GROUP INC./CLASSIC MEDICAL PRODUCTS, INC.

	Year Ending Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Sales	3,540,002	3,013,188
Net Income	457,327	3,364
Net Income Per Share	.134	.001

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#90338p0023 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - In conformity with a recent Supreme Court decision, Judge Robert Sweet of the U.S. District Court in New York today ordered three LTV Steel Co. pension plans be restored to the company.

"With today's order, LTV can now take the necessary steps to complete its bankruptcy reorganization and emerge as a viable company, while workers and retirees can have their full pensions as originally promised," Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation Executive Director James B. Lockhart said of the decision.

In ordering the restoration, Judge Sweet rejected LTV's argument that one of the plans, the J&L Hourly Plan, had no assets, and might have to be reterminated. PBGC had told the court that the allegation had no factual or legal basis, and the court agreed.

To terminate any of the restored plans would require union agreement and the company would have to prove that it and all LTV affiliates could not continue in business and fund the plans. "We don't think termination is necessary or merited. PBGC has proposed an affordable schedule to LTV for funding the restored pension plans," Lockhart said.

Last month, PBGC proposed a restoration payment schedule for the plans that would allow LTV to pay its unfunded pension liabilities over a 30-year period.

The schedule, based on an analysis of LTV's finances by PBGC and its financial adviser, Salomon Brothers, concluded that LTV could meet the schedule to fully fund the plans while allowing the company to emerge from bankruptcy.

The next step for PBGC is to complete an agreement with LTV on the schedule to fund the plans. LTV's written comments on the proposed schedule are due by Jan. 3, 1991.

With the ruling, LTV will be assuming full responsibility for the plans. PBGC terminated LTV's plans in 1987 after the company, in Chapter 11 bankruptcy, stopped funding them.

PBGC is a federal agency that guarantees payment of basic retirement benefits earned by American workers participating in private-sector, defined benefit pension plans. PBGC administers two insurance programs, which cover nearly 40 million people in some 100,000 pension plans. At year-end 1989, the PBGC had assets of $3.2 billion and liabilities of $4.2 billion.

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#90338p0033 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - As promised, Continental Airlines maintained full operations yesterday during the first day of Chapter 11 reorganization. Airline industry analysts and travel agents Monday generally showed support for Continental's decision to reorganize, as the airline continued its business-as-usual, full-service schedule.

"I think they will re-emerge from reorganization, and we will see Continental Airlines as one of the mega-carriers of the industry," said Paul Karos, an airline analyst with First Boston Corp. who appeared Tuesday on a national television talk show.

"They have a very strong domestic route system, with hubs in Houston, Newark, and Denver. They have a very strong international business, which as you know is becoming the real growth area for the business. And they now have the lowest operating costs of any major carrier," Karos said.

During its first day under reorganization protection, more than 87,500 people flew the airline as it turned in a performance that bettered industry averages despite severe winter weather.

- Continental's completion factor, the percentage of scheduled miles actually flown, was 99.1 percent.
- Of 1,385 flights, only 26 trip segments were cancelled, none due to the

Chapter 11 filing. Most were weather related.
- More than a foot of snow fell over much of the Midwest and Northeast Monday, yet 94 percent of Continental's departures and 92 percent of arrivals systemwide were within 60 minutes of schedule.

As the airline continued normal operations, travel agencies across the country continued selling Continental tickets. Consolidated Travel Service, a consortium of 20 Houston-based travel agencies that annually sells about $25 million in Continental tickets, also praised the airline for protecting agents and consumers.

"In their filing, Continental has taken unprecedented steps to protect the travelling public, Continental employees and the travel agency community," said a CTS official.

Hollis Harris, Continental's chairman, president and chief executive officer, praised the carrier's 37,000 employees and stressed Continental would fly out of Chapter 11 a stronger airline.

"Continental has the highest productivity and lowest operating costs of any airline," said Harris. "Our 37,000 employees have earned a reputation for working hard and smart while providing American travellers with the services they need."

CONTACT: Corporate Communications of Continental Airlines, (713) 834-5080.

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#90338p0034 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Vintage Petroleum Inc. (NYSE: VPI) announced today that it has recently entered into a definitive agreement with Saturn Land Co. Inc. and related entities to acquire additional interests in certain oil and gas properties and a 100 percent interest in a gathering system located in the Shawnee Townsite Field, Pottawatomie County, Okla., for approximately $3.3 million. Closing is scheduled for Jan. 4, 1991.

Current net daily production from the additional interests averages approximately 128 Bbls of oil and 822 Mcf of gas. The gathering system is approximately 2 1/2 miles long and is composed of an eight-inch crude oil line and a three-inch natural gas line with current average daily throughput of 250 barrels of oil and 850 Mcf of gas.

Prior to acquiring the additional interests from Saturn, Vintage had operations and owned interests in the Shawnee Townsite Field which represented approximately 14 percent of its proved reserves at year end 1989. Vintage is continuing to pursue the unitization of this field for a secondary recovery project and believes significant additional proved reserves will be added in 1991 resulting from the project.

CONTACT: William C. Barnes of Vintage Petroleum Inc., (918) 592-0101.

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#90338p0042 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - AIM Strategic Income Fund Inc. (AMEX: AST) declared on Dec. 4, 1990, a dividend of eight cents ($.08) per share from net investment income and short-term capital gains

The dividend will go to shareholders of record December 14, 1990. Payment date is December 24, 1990. Advised by AIM Advisors, Inc.

CONTACT: John J. Arthur of AIM Advisors Inc., (713) 626-1919.

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#90338p0049 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Strategic Distribution, Inc. ("the company") today announced that it has hired Ted R. Rieple as president of the company, effective immediately. Rieple's responsibilities will include direction of the company's SafetyMaster subsidiary, as well as planning and implementing the company's announced acquisition program in the safety and industrial equipment distribution businesses. The company, through its SafetyMaster subsidiary, currently distributes a variety of safety supplies to industrial, municipal and commercial customers in the Rocky Mountain states.

Prior to joining the company, Rieple spent 20 years at Diversey Corporation and its subsidiaries, most recently serving since 1984 as president, chief executive officer and director of its Diversey Wyandotte Corporation subsidiary. Diversey Corporation is a worldwide leader in the manufacture and distribution of cleaning and sanitation products and services to industrial, food processing, institutional and laundry businesses.

The company's common stock is traded in the over-the-counter market.

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#90338p0052 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - On Dec. 4, 1990, the board of directors of Fletcher Challenge Finance Canada Inc. declared:

1. that a cash dividend of $.50 per share upon the outstanding 8 percent Cumulative Redeemable Retractable Preferred Shares, Series ''A'' (the ''Series ''A'' Shares''), of Fletcher Challenge Finance Canada Inc. be paid on Dec. 31,

1990 to the shareholders of record holding the Series ''A'' Shares of Fletcher Challenge Finance Canada Inc. at the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990; and

2. that a cash dividend of $.4921875 per share upon the outstanding 7 7/8 Cumulative Redeemable Retractable Preferred Shares, Series ''B'' (the ''Series ''B'' Shares''), of Fletcher Challenge Finance Canada Inc. be paid on Dec. 31, 1990 to the shareholders of record holding the Series ''B'' Shares of Fletcher Challenge Finance Canada Inc. at the close of business on Dec. 14, 1990.

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CULVER CITY, CA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Fleet Aerospace, Inc. (NASDAQ: FLAI) reports a loss from continuing operations of $15,259,000 (a loss of $2.63 per share) for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to a loss from continuing operations of $49,000 (a loss of $0.03 per share) for the corresponding period of the previous year. Revenue for the year was $51,970,000 compared to $56,748,000 for the year ended September 30, 1989. The majority of the fiscal 1990 loss results from the non-cash writedown of the goodwill component of the company's assets.

During the latest fiscal year the company reported additional losses from discontinued operations of $8,966,000 raising the net loss of the company to $24,225,000 ($4.16 per share), compared to a net loss of $960,000 ($0.19 per share) incurred in the 1989 fiscal year.

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KANATA, ONTARIO, (DEC. 4) PRNEWSWIRE - Newbridge Networks Corp. (NASDAQ: NNCFX, Toronto: NNC) today announced the appointment of Peter Sommerer as chief operating officer of the company. After considering several candidates for the position, the board of directors was unanimous in its choice of Sommerer, the only internal candidate.

Commenting on the appointment Newbridge Chairman Terence Matthews said, "I am pleased with the board's appointment of Peter Sommerer to this important position. He is extremely knowledgeable of the networking industry and has, over the years, earned the trust and respect of Newbridge management and staff. I have every confidence in his ability to lead the company into an era of stable growth.''

Sommerer received a P. Engineering degree at HTBLUVA in Modling, Austria prior

to earning an masters of business administration at Wirtschraftsuniversitat in Vienna, Austria. Upon graduation, he spent 10 years in engineering at ITT Austria in the development of both software and hardware products. Sommerer left ITT Austria to join Mitel Corp. in Canada where he spent three years in product management before being appointed general manager of the Mitel subsidiary in Germany.

In the spring of 1987, Sommerer joined Newbridge Networks Corp. as the director of product management for the highly successful 3624 MainStreet Intelligent T-1 Channel Bank and the 2600 MainStreet series of ISDN interfaces. He has been the acting chief operating officer of Newbrdige since the position was created six months ago.

Newbridge Networks is an international company which specializes in the design manufacture and marketing of voice and data communications equipment for global networks. Offices and manufacturing facilities are located in Canada, the United States, Europe and Asia.

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KANATA, Ontario (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Newbridge Networks Corp. (NASDAQ: NNCXF) (Toronto: NNC) today announced financial results for the second quarter of fiscal year 1991, ending Nov. 3, 1990.

Revenues for the second quarter were $39,443,000, representing an increase of 24.5 percent over the revenues for the same period in fiscal year 1990 and 3.5 percent over the revenues for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991. Net loss for the second quarter was $2,726,000 ($0.08 per share basic and fully diluted - Canadian GAAP) after a provision of $3,510,000 charged against income for the restructuring of manufacturing operations. This compares with net income of $5,013,000 ($0.15 per share basic and fully diluted - Canadian GAAP) for the second quarter of fiscal year 1990 and a net income of $180,000 ($0.01 per share basic and fully diluted - Canadian GAAP) for the first quarter of the current fiscal year.

Both product and service revenues increased during the quarter as did average sell prices. The gross margin of 60.4 percent declined from 60.6 percent in the first quarter. During the second quarter, the company continued to strengthen its operating controls. Operating expenses were less than 1/2 of one percent over those recorded in the first quarter, resulting in an increase in income from operations to $3,008,000 compared to the first quarter operating income of $2,351,000.

The provision for restructuring costs resulted from a thorough review of the

company's operations. The restructuring plan includes the consolidation and streamlining of manufacturing through a reduction of more than one third of the facilities currently utilized for manufacturing. This is expected to result in lower production overhead costs and an improvement to the product line gross margins.

Cash in the amount of $4,974,000 was generated from operations during the second quarter versus $9,651,000 used for operations in the first quarter. Cash consumption, after considering investing and financing activities, which was $15,845,000 in the first quarter, was reduced to $655,000 in the second quarter.

Days sales outstanding in accounts receivable was reduced to 129 days during the quarter, while inventory levels at the end of the second quarter were approximately the same as the inventory levels at the end of the first quarter.

During the second quarter, Newbridge successfully demonstrated a new high-speed fiber-connected 3645 MainStreet peripheral shelf. The new offering represents the first release of a SONET-based product line. Also during the quarter, the company released the first of a series of frame relay switching products for the 3600 MainStreet line of multiplexers and introduced a new high-end voice processing product line called the NVP1000 series which is currently undergoing customer acceptance testing.

Commenting on the second quarter, Newbridge Chairman Terence Matthews said, "Operating controls introduced since the start of the fiscal year are beginning to take effect. In particular, I am pleased with the improvements being made in accounts receivable collections, inventory and cash management. I am expecting that the restructuring and streamlining of operations should provide considerable improvement to operating results for the last half of the fiscal year."

A summary of financial results follows. Newbridge Networks is an international company which specializes in the design, manufacture and marketing of voice and data communications equipment for worldwide networks. Manufacturing facilities and offices are located in the United States, Europe, Canada, Asia and the Soviet Union.

Newbridge Networks Corp. is a public company whose common shares are listed for trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange (NNC) in Canada and quoted for trading on the NASDAQ National Market System (NNCXF) in the United States.

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ANAHEIM, CALIF. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Comarco Inc. (NASDAQ: CMRO) today

announced that it has been awarded four contracts with values totalling more than $12 million. The contracts are with four different government customers and vary in length from 10 months to 5 years.

"These contracts illustrate the recent stabilization of our revenue base," said Don M. Bailey, president of Comarco. He added that under the contracts the company will continue to perform engineering and facilities management services for existing customers.

Comarco provides engineering and computer-based services and products to a variety of government and commercial markets. The company's expertise lies in engineering, logistics services, testing and field support of software and communications systems, as well as program, project and facilities management support. In addition, the company specializes in manufacturing and designing special purpose computer-based products.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - San Francisco-based Transcisco Industries Inc. (AMEX: TNIA and TNIB) announced today that its international subsidiary, Transcisco Trading Co., signed a letter of intent to establish a joint venture railcar leasing company in Czechoslovakia. The joint venture partners will be Transcisco Trading Co., Haka Corp. of Finland and the Czechoslovakian Railway (CSD). The joint venture will use Transcisco's proprietary Uni-Temp tank car heating system for a group of over 2,000 tankers that will be leased to Czechoslovakian and Western European petrochemical shippers. The joint venture will purchase existing Czechoslovakian tank cars, retrofit them with Transcisco's Uni-Temp heating system, then lease the Uni-Temp retrofitted cars to Czechoslovakian and other refineries in Eastern and Western Europe.

Mark C. Hungerford, chairman of Transcisco, said, "This is our fourth Central or Eastern European leasing company start-up joint venture. Transcisco has been operating, profitably, a tank car leasing operation in the U.S.S.R. since early 1989, and has signed similar protocols for establishing railcar leasing operations in Poland, Hungary, and now Czechoslovakia. The signing in Czechoslovakia achieves our stated goal for 1990 to organize rail leasing operations in all four of these major Central and Eastern European countries that use large fleets of tank cars for transporting essential export petrochemicals and petroleum products that generate hard currency. In all four countries, rail transport bears an unusually large proportion of the tonnage because the highway and pipeline systems are inadequate, but the rail systems function quite well."

Transcisco Industries operates railcar maintenance and retrofitting operations through its Transcisco Rail Services Division, and its wholly owned subsidiary Transcisco Tours, operates a dinner train in San Antonio, Texas and will commence operation of a luxury "cruise train" service to Tahoe and Reno from the San Francisco Bay Area starting late 1990. Transcisco owns 36 percent of PLM International, an AMEX-listed diversified equipment leasing company and Transcisco also owns 20 percent of SOVFINAMTRANS, a U.S.S.R. railcar leasing company that operates tank cars with Transcisco's Uni-Temp heating system.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Mail Boxes Etc. (MBE) (NASDAQ: MAIL) announced today that Richard J. Greene, vice president, marketing for United Parcel Service (UPS) has been appointed to MBE's Board of Directors.

The appointment was in accordance with the terms of a purchase agreement recently signed by the companies through which UPS acquired 400,000 shares of MBE stock at a price of $25.25 per share and 400,000 warrants exercisable over a three-year period at prices ranging from $27 to $38.88 per share. If the warrants are totally exercised, UPS would acquire a 17.4 percent equity interest in MBE.

Mail Boxes Etc. operates the nation's largest chain of franchised private postal, business and communications service centers, with 1,250 franchises in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Japan.

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COLUMBUS, OHIO (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated American Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: COAM) today announced the completion of the purchase of 100 percent of the common stock of American Liberty Mining Corporation. American Liberty owns unpatented mining claims which according to an independent consulting geologist, consist of prove, possible and probable zinc reserves of approximately 160,000 tons.

The board of directors of Consolidated announced the conversion of 13,200,000 shares of issued common stock to Class B Preferred Stock. A company spokesman reported this conversion was made to reduce the number of common shares outstanding to better position the company for future underwriting efforts.

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LONDON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Huntingdon International Holdings plc (ADRs - NYSE: HTD) today reported fourth quarter results and announced the preliminary results of the Group for the year ending Sept. 30, 1990.

The company issued the following statement: As discussed in the previous report, the fourth quarter of 1989 exhibited an exceptional growth in the Group's profits and consequently it was expected that it would be difficult to improve on these results in the fourth quarter of 1990. The task was made more challenging by a 14 percent decline in the average exchange rate of U.S. dollars for pounds sterling, compared with the last quarter of 1989. This decline reduced the value of our U.S. earnings on translation to pounds sterling for consolidation into the Group results. It is therefore gratifying to report that revenues for the quarter increased by 28 percent, gross profit by 17 percent, profit before tax by 13 percent and net income by 8 percent.

The preliminary results for the year are in accordance with the Group's growth objectives, with revenues increasing by 28 percent, gross profit by 21 percent and profit before tax by 20 percent. The year-on- year increase in net income shows a lower growth of 15 percent due to the higher effective tax rate which resulted from lower capital expenditure by Huntingdon Research Centre.

The Life Sciences segment of the Group achieved healthy growth for the year, and maintained operating margins at a similar level to last year. The improvement and expansion of facilities at Huntingdon Research Centre has continued, although a major construction project to extend the Metabolism laboratory started later than planned.

We are pleased to announce the formation of a new company, Leicester Clinical Research Centre. This company will conduct Phase I Clinical trials on pharmaceutical products, work which Huntingdon Research Centre has historically subcontracted. A 15,000-square-foot clinical facility is currently being constructed adjacent to Leicester General Hospital in Leicester, England. The addition of this capability to the already wide range of services provided by our Life Sciences segment will greatly enhance opportunities for growth.

The Engineering/Environmental segment of the Group continued to grow rapidly during the year, aided in the last quarter by the acquisition of Southwestern Laboratories and Thomas-Hartig. These acquisitions have both met and in Southwestern's case exceeded pre-acquisition expectations and are expected to make a major contribution to the performance of this segment in the future. For the reasons explained in our third quarter's report, there was a small decline in Engineering/Environmental margins as a percentage of sales during the second half of the year but in making a comparison with the same period

for 1989, it should be remembered that the last half of 1989 was a period of high capacity utilization which raised margins to exceptional levels. We believe, however, that the Engineering/Environmental Group has the ability to repeat and surpass these levels in the future.

It is proposed to pay a final dividend of 1.8 pence per share (9.0 pence per ADR) to shareholders of record as at Jan. 4, 1991. This, together with the interim dividend of 0.8 pence per share (4.0 pence per ADR), will give a total dividend for the year of 2.6 pence per share (13.0 pence per ADR). Accordingly, 2,442,000 pounds has been provided out of income for the year.

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PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - National Media Corp. (NYSE: NM) announced today that a shareholders class action has been filed in federal court in Philadelphia against the company and certain present and former officers and directors.

The suit alleges market manipulation and other securities law violations and seeks an unspecified amount of damages. The company denies all allegations of wrongdoing in the complaint and will vigorously defend this action.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Flexel Inc. has named C. Flemming Heilmann to its board of directors.

This is a new board position. Flexel, a flexible materials manufacturer and distributor, is the world's largest producer of cellulose film (cellophane.) It acquired the cellophane division of Olin Chemical and du Pont to become the only United States manufacturer of the premier product wrapping material.

"We are structuring a board of directors to lead Flexel through a planned growth phase," said W. Lindsey Walters, chairman and chief executive officer. "Although we are the primary source of a dynamic product, we view ourselves as 'customer dependent.' Our focus is on continuing improvement of the way we support our customers, both in product quality and service.

"Mr. Heilmann brings to the Flexel board more than 30 years of worldwide packaging industry experience," said Walters. "His knowledge will contribute significantly to Flexel's progress."

Heilmann is chairman and chief executive officer of Brockway Standard Inc., Atlanta. The company manufactures and sells rigid metal containers for industrial and consumer products.

Earlier, Heilmann held senior executive management positions with Onex Packaging, Continental Group, Continental Can Company, and Metal Box.

Born in Malaysia of Danish parents, he was educated in Australia, Denmark and the United Kingdom. He earned both bachelor's and master's degrees in ecomomics and law at Cambridge University, England. He is a member of the University of Toronto Business School Advisory Council.

Flexel's headquarters are in Atlanta. Manufacturing plants are in Tecumseh, Kan.; Covington, Ind.; Lemont, Ill.; and Glastonbury, Conn.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - GE Information Services, the recognized leader in EDI services, announced today Version 7.0 of the EDI PC System.

A major enhancement of EDI PC 7.0 is the simulation of a user's desktop. In/out baskets, rules baskets, report baskets, and hold baskets appear on the screen as easy-to-read icons, enabling the user to manage the flow of information simply by moving documents from one basket to another as they're acted upon.

Another enhancement of EDI PC 7.0 is the search feature which enables a user to access and manage information in the system based on the user's specified set of criteria. For example, if the status of a purchase order or shipment notice is needed on a specific trading partner, the user simply conducts an item number search and the information is automatically placed in a basket. The user then can access the file, perform a variety of functions and streamline the management of the information.

Users of the previous version of the EDI PC System who are under current maintenance agreements will receive Version 7.0 at no additional cost.

The EDI PC System is an EDI microcomputer software package which enables EDI trading partners to electronically prepare and exchange business data in standardized document formats. EDI PC can be used as a stand-alone workstation or as a front-end to an in-house host computer, as well as a front-end to use the GE Information Services' EDI EXPRESS Service.

GE Information Services offers a full portfolio of value-added services,

including comprehensive training and implementation assistance for prompt, effective system start-up, as well as 24-hour worldwide technical support for quick problem resolution. A division of General Electric Company, USA (NYSE: GE), GE Information Services is headquartered in Rockville, Md.

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#90338p9685 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - A genetically engineered hybrid protein developed by Seragen, Inc. shows promising anti-tumor effects in patients with certain leukemias and lymphomas that had resisted previous treatment, a key researcher reported today. In its initial human safety trials, the compound, called Interleukin-2 (IL-2) fusion toxin, showed milder side effects than other present-day cancer therapies.

Half of the 24 patients in Phase I clinical trials in Boston and Houston who received Hopkinton, Mass.-based Seragen's IL-2 fusion toxin showed significant anti-tumor effects. The majority of Phase I patients were treated by Dr. C. Frederic LeMaistre of the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, who reported his findings at today's joint meeting of the American and International Societies of Hematology in Boston.

"We believe a key differentiating factor for IL-2 fusion toxin is that it can shrink some cancers without the kinds of side effects seen with chemotherapy," said Dr. LeMaistre. "The patients in these trials whose tumors responded to the Seragen compound were unresponsive to conventional cancer therapies. More importantly, all of the patients showed milder side effects than they experienced with traditional treatments."

Richard Svrluga, president and CEO of Seragen, said the company has been asked by the National Cancer Institute (NCI) to enter its IL-2 fusion toxin into NCI-supported clinical trials, based upon the Phase I findings. These studies will be in addition to Seragen's own Phase II studies of the compound which are already underway.

Fusion toxins, such as those being developed by Seragen, are a new class of therapeutics that recognize, penetrate and destroy disease- causing cells with great precision. They are created by genetically splicing toxic portions of naturally occuring diphtheria toxin molecules with new targeting mechanisms that direct the toxins to specific disease-causing cells.

Svrluga said Seragen's first product is the result of successfully fusing portions of the diphtheria toxin molecule with sequences for Interleukin-2, an immune system protein. "This first-in-the-industry compound acts like a guided missile, delivering the potent toxin to specific cancer-causing cells and destroying them," Svrluga said.

"While the Phase I study was designed primarily to test safety, the significant anti-tumor effect shown by IL-2 fusion toxin is very encouraging for the testing of a larger group of patients in Phase II trials," he added.

Seragen is a bio-pharmaceutical company developing a new class of highly specific and potent therapeutic products based on a core technology utilizing the diphtheria toxin molecule. These products, known as fusion toxins, are designed to treat a broad range of diseases which currently have inferior or non-existent treatments, beginning with cancers and severe rheumatoid arthritis and including other autoimmune diseases, AIDS and transplant rejection.

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PHOENIX (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Riggs Resources Inc., (pinksheets) which owns and operates some of the most notable mining properties in the Arizona mountains, announced today a major precious metals find at their bid Red Mine Property near Mesa.

Initial assays reported on a per head ton basis are: 1.3 ounces of gold; 1.7 ounces of silver; 1.4 ounces of rhodium; 2.8 ounces of platinum; and 2.4 ounces of iridium. Andy Riggs, president of Riggs Resources Inc., said, "This is a significant find in North America. The property has proven to be rich in a number of precious metals in abundance and quality which is rare in this area of the world."

Riggs Resources also owns and holds leases to many valuable properties in the Bradshaw Mountains such as the Davis-Dunkirk, the Henrietta, and the Bannie mines, near Prescott, Ariz.

The company indicated that they currently have two major buyers for concentrated ore from the Big Red property, which will be in production in December of 1990. "Because of the high level of precious metals in the ore, we are able to sell the concentrated ore (concentrated at approximately 20 tons to 1) without the expense of the normal chemical extraction or smelting processes being applied," said Robert Hooker.

Hooker, a metallurgist specializing in the concentration of sulfide ore, has developed a fusion technique which concentrates ore producing significant improvements in the amount of precious metals which can be processed from it. Hooker has agreed to apply his technique and expertise in the development of the Riggs properties.

Riggs Resources Inc., a publicly held company which trades in the over-the-counter market, engages in the mining, development and production of gold, silver and tungsten. The company primarily operates mines that were former producers that terminated production at a time when the price of mineral products had declined and mining technology was minimal. Through the application of modern technology, a number of properties owned by Riggs have an extremely high potential for development of precious metals.

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#90338p9687 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANKENY, IA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Lower profit margins on gasoline contributed to a decline in earnings for Casey's General Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: CASY) in the convenience-store chain's fiscal second quarter. Continued increases in the number of gallons of gasoline sold, plus higher retail prices caused Casey's quarterly sales to advance to an all-time record high.

Earnings for the quarter ended Oct. 31 were $3.1 million, or 27 cents a share, compared to $3.4 million, or 30 cents a share in the year-ago second quarter. Sales were $157.2 million, up 23 percent over last year's second quarter of $127.8 million.

For the first half, earnings were $5.5 million, or 48 cents a share, compared to $5.8 million, or 51 cents a share in last year's comparable period. Sales for the six months totaled a record $298.7 million, up 14.2 percent over last year's first-half sales of $261.5 million.

"We experienced excellent gains in gasoline market share during the second quarter," said Casey's Chairman and CEO Donald F. Lamberti. "Our gasoline volume was at the highest level ever. However, the rapid increase in wholesale gasoline prices outpaced our ability to increase retail prices. As a result, per-gallon profit margin slipped from last year's levels."

Profits in this year's second quarter were adversely affected by an adjustment to earnings of $689,000, or approximately 6 cents per share, due to LIFO inventory accounting. The adjustment during the quarter was the result of volatile wholesale gasoline pricing.

The average number of shares outstanding in the second quarter was 11.3 million, compared to 11.4 million a year ago. Since announcing Sept. 5 a repurchase plan of up to one million shares of outstanding stock, Casey's has purchased nearly 435,000 shares.

Casey's board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 2.5 cents per share of common stock, payable Feb. 15, 1991 to shareholders of record Feb. 1,

1991. This is the third consecutive dividend declared by the convenience-store chain.

As of Oct. 31, Casey's operated 774 stores in its eight-state market area, including 571 corporate and 203 franchise outlets. This is an increase of 23 stores since the end of the second quarter a year ago.

Through the first half of the fiscal year, Casey's has completed major remodeling projects at 14 stores and is currently renovating 32 others. Both new-store construction and remodeling are on schedule with Casey's earlier announced plans.

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GLENDALE, CALIF. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Mail Boxes Coast to Coast Inc. (NASDAQ: MBCC) announced today the resignation of the company's chief executive officer, Herbert Goffstein.

Goffstein has been with the company since its inception in 1984 and has primarily been responsible for the development of the company's exclusive territory of Manhattan, N.Y. over the last three years.

Prior to joining Mail Boxes Coast to Coast, Goffstein was a co-founder of Mail Boxes Etc. (NASDAQ: MAIL), the world's largest chain of private postal, business, shipping and communications centers, where he served as the company's chairman and chief executive officer from 1980 to 1983.

Gary M. Williams, president of Mail Boxes Coast to Coast, said, "Mr. Goffstein has made a substantial contribution to the mail receiving industry both as a co-founder of Mail Boxes Etc. and Mail Boxes Coast to Coast."

Williams added, "It is anticipated this reorganization for the company will provide a significant reduction in overhead in excess of $150,000 per year with the termination of Mr. Goffstein's employment agreement, along with other related expenses." He further stated, "The recently announced reorganization of the company whereby the company realized a gain of $346,078 by selling some of the company's less desirable areas, has given the company the ability to refocus on it's core business of Los Angeles County, Calif. and Manhattan, N.Y. It also has produced a substantial reduction in overhead and has dramatically reduced the company's long-term debt to less than $36,000.

"With the cost savings from Mr. Goffstein's resignation, added to the results of the reorganization, this will substantially ease the company's liquidity position, and posture the company to be on a course of being able to achieve an operational profit, as well as maximize shareholder value."

Mail Boxes Coast to Coast currently has 96 MBE Franchise Centers within its exclusive territory of Los Angeles County and Manhattan and is the largest area franchise developer for Mail Boxes Etc., which has over 1,400 centers worldwide.

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CANTON, OHIO (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Diebold, Incorporated (NYSE: DBD) chairman and chief executive officer Robert W. Mahoney announced today that Gerald F. Morris has been named senior vice president and chief financial officer of Diebold, replacing Harry E. Parr, Jr., who will retire Jan. 4, 1991. Morris will be responsible for Diebold's entire financial function, including treasury, tax, controller, internal audit, risk management, financial planning and analysis, management information systems and adminstration.

Previously, Morris was senior vice president, treasurer and chief financial officer of the $598 million Foxboro Company, Foxboro, Mass., which was acquired by a British company that elected to bring in its own management team.

"Gerry Morris brings considerable expertise in mergers and acquisitions as well as in international finance to Diebold, which will complement our global strategies during the decade of the 90s," said Mahoney. "His international activities included foreign financial responsibilities as well as representing Foxboro on the boards of several international subsidiaries and joint ventures."

In 1981, Morris joined Foxboro as vice president-treasurer and chief financial officer, positions he held until being named senior vice president in 1990, responsible for the company's entire financial function, as well as for investor relations, risk management, benefits design, legal, contracts and patents. He previously was assistant vice president and director of corporate planning for Textron, Inc., Providence, R.I., which he joined in 1970. Morris also held positions with Itek Corporation, Lexington, Mass., New York Telephone Company, New York, and Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, N.Y.

He holds an MBA from Harvard University, Boston, and a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Worchester Polytechnic Institute, Worchester, Mass.

Diebold, Incorporated is a world leader in the automation of self-service transactions, security products, software and service for these systems. Headquartered in Canton, Ohio, Diebold maintains offices worldwide.

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AKRON, OHIO (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Telxon Corporation NASDAQ/NMS: TLXN) announced today that it is raising its earnings estimates for the fiscal 1991 third quarter and year.

"Earnings per share from third-quarter operations are expected to be in excess of $.25, and revenue will be more than $46 million, up from the October 1990 estimates of more than $.20 per share and in excess of $42 million in revenue " said Raymond D. Meyo, Telxon president and chief executive officer. "This excludes the $.03 extraordinary gain from our purchase of $2.1 million face amount of 7-1/2 percent convertible subordinated debentures in the third quarter.

"For the year, we estimate revenue will be in the $175 million to $180 million range, with earnings per share from operations in the $.85 to $.90 range," Meyo said. The company previously estimated fiscal 1991 revenue in the $170 million to $175 million range, and earnings per share from operations in the $.75 to $.80 range.

Looking to fiscal 1992, Meyo said the company expects revenue to be in excess of $210 million.

Telxon portable tele-transaction computers gather, process and store on-site, real-time data which is communicated to a host computer. These systems incorporate the company's proprietary operating and applications software, associated peripheral equipment and communications devices.

Telxon's executive and engineering offices are located in Akron, Ohio, and its manufacturing facility is in Houston. Telxon customers are served by 41 sales and service offices worldwide.

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NORTH WILKESBORO, NC (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Lowe's Companies, Inc. (NYSE: LOW) announced its November sales totaled $201.4 million, a 1 percent decrease from November of 1989. Sales to retail customers increased 7 percent and sales to contractors decreased 15 percent.

The table below presents sales comparisons and trends:

4 Weeks Ended:		November 30, 1990		December 1, 1989	
	Pct Change	Total Sales (000,000)	Pct of Total	Total Sales (000,000)	Pct of Total
Retail Sales	+ 7	$136.3	68	$127.8	63
Contractor Sales	- 15	$ 65.1	32	$ 76.2	37
Total Sales	- 1	$201.4	100	$204.0	100
Comparable Stores(a) (276)	- 7	$177.9	88	$190.5	93
New Projects(b)(31)	+ 91	$ 23.5	12	$ 12.3	6
Closed Stores(c)		-	-	$ 1.2	1
Total Stores(307)		$201.4	100	$204.0	100

(a) Stores open more than one year on November 1 with comparable square footage (b) Stores open less than one year and stores which have been retrofitted or relocated within the past twelve months (c) 4 stores closed through November 1990.

New stores were opened in Cross Lanes, West Virginia and Durham, North Carolina during the month. A relocated store in Cleveland, Tennessee also opened in November. Remerchandising projects in ten stores were completed.

Lowe's now operates 307 stores in 20 states, in the South Atlantic and South Central regions of the United States. Lowe's is a specialty retailer pursuing three businesses in our stores: the home center do-it-yourself business, the consumer durables business, and the building contractor business.

Lowe's monthly sales results are based on four-week, four-week, and five-week reporting periods. Lowe's quarterly news release on sales and earnings will continue to reflect precise totals.

CONTACT: For further information, including weekly sales data, contact W. Cliff Oxford or Clarissa S. Felts of Lowe's Companies, Inc., 919-651-4631 or 919-651-4254.

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#90338p9703 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - PolyCell, Inc., a subsidiary of Quest BioTechnology, Inc. (NASDAQ: QBIO) announced today that it has compiled a scientific bibliography which lists publications on the development of bispecific monoclonal antibodies and their use for research and clinical applications including diagnosis, imaging and therapy.

The bibliography and copies of selected articles are available free of charge upon request by contacting Dr. Werner H. Wahl, vice president, Science and Technology.

PolyCell has the worldwide rights to the patented Recombinant Monoclonal Antibody ("RMA") process that biologically produces QUADROMA(tm) cells which secrete bispecific monoclonal antibodies.

Bispecific antibodies may overcome the difficulties and limitations arising from covalent modification of monoclonal antibodies used in diagnostic and therapeutic applications. PolyCell has granted non- exclusive licenses for the QUADROMA technology and entered into corporate relationships with Cetus Corporation, Centocor, Inc., Medicorp, Inc., MCA Development BV, Sumitomo Corporation and another leading Japanese pharmaceutical company. PolyCell is seeking additional similar collaborations.

PolyCell is a development stage company organized to develop and commercialize the proprietary QUADROMA technology which biologically produces bispecific monoclonal antibodies primarily for cancer, cardiovascular and autoimmune disease therapy and diagnostic applications.

Quest is a development stage company organized to acquire, develop and commercialize biotechnology and human health care products and processes. Quest is organized into two groups, the Technology Development Group which manages Quest's two wholly owned subsidiaries, PolyCell and Quest Blood Substitute, Inc. and the Clinical Diagnostics Group, formed to implement turnarounds of diagnostic-based businesses.

QUADROMA is a trademark of PolyCell, Inc.

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#90338p9704 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

BAKERSFIELD, CALIF. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Nahama & Weagant Energy Co. (NASDAQ: NAWE) reported a substantial improvement in revenues and profits for both the third quarter and fiscal year to date period ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Net income for the third quarter increased to $367,000, equal to 7 cents per share, which included $159,000, or 3 cents per share, of extraordinary credit from the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards. In the corresponding quarter a year ago, the company reported net income of $41,000, equal to 1 cent per share.

Third quarter revenues increased nearly four-fold to $1,135,000 from $338,000 in the previous year.

For the first three quarters, net income totaled $464,000, equal to 9 cents per share, which included $201,000, or 4 cents per share, of extraordinary credit as described above. For the first nine months of the prior year, the

company had a net loss of $88,000 or 3 cents per share.

Revenues for the nine months climbed to $2,273,000, more than double $966,000 one year earlier.

Rodney Nahama, president and chief executive officer, said: "We are pleased by the company's outstanding progress in the third quarter. The strong improvement in our results reflected significant increases in oil and gas sales from our new field discoveries.

"Oil revenues benefited from higher production as a result of the company's December, 1989 discovery at North Rosedale Ranch, and the average price we received for our oil during the third quarter was up 54 percent from the same months a year ago. Higher gas production reflected the company's new field discoveries at South Putah Sink and Tracy Townsite which were made in January, 1990. The average gas price increasedd 11 percent as compared with the corresponding period of the previous year.

Based in Bakersfield, Nahama & Weagant Energy Co. is an independent engaging in oil and gas exploration, develpoment and production, primarily in California and Oregon.

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#90338p9707 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIROSHIMA, Japan (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Mazda launched a new locally-produced passenger car named the Mazda MR90 in the Indonesian market yesterday.

The new model, based on the FR (front-engine, rear-drive) Mazda 323, is a five-door hatchback with all new exterior and interior designs developed specifically for the local market.

The MR90 will be affordably priced among passenger cars in the Indonesian market. Monthly sales are expected to be approximately 1,500 units. The addition of the new car to Mazda's existing model lineup in Indonesia, the current FF (front-engine, front-drive) 323 and the 626, is expected to help Mazda secure a leading position in the country's passenger car market.

Supported by the sound growth of the national economy, the automotive market in Indonesia is experiencing vigorous expansion. Overall sales for January to October, 1990, totaled approximately 221,000 units, marking a 53-percent increase over the corresponding period in 1989. Continued strong sales should lead to a record high for the current year.

Mazda hopes the introduction of the affordably priced MR90 will further

stimulate demand in this market, and contribute to economic growth and increased motorization in Indonesia.

Speaking at the ceremony held yesterday in Indonesia, Norimasa Furuta, president of Mazda Motor Corporation, said, ''We learned through a market survey that a passenger car at an affordable price was what the Indonesian market truly needed. I'm convinced that the MR90, by filling that need, will prove very popular and become the 'people's car' in this country.''

The Mazda MR90 is locally produced, achieving nearly 75 percent local content overall in the manufacturing process, from raw material purchasing to final assembly. To promote this local passenger car production project, Mazda established in July 1989 an engine and body manufacturing plant, P.T. Mazda Indonesia Manufacturing, which commenced operation in August 1990.

CONTACT: Rick Deneau of Mazda Information Bureau, 313-393-3315.

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#90338p9708 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T today announced a three-month extension of its free-for-life charter membership plan for holders of the AT&T Universal Card, enabling people who have not yet applied to join more than seven million customers who are using their AT&T Universal Cards for shopping, dining, travel and discounts on long-distance calls.

Charter members of the AT&T Universal Card -- issued by Universal Bank of Columbus, Ga. -- pay no annual fees for the rest of their lives, as long as they sign up for the card within the charter membership period and use it as they normally would a MasterCard or VISA card, for a purchase at least once a year.

When launching the AT&T Universal Card on March 26, 1990, AT&T and Universal Bank had said the charter membership period would last through Dec. 31, 1990. Today's announcement extends the deadline through the one-year anniversary of the AT&T Universal Card -- March 26, 1991.

"We're delighted to continue offering the card that has set records in the credit card industry in less than a year," said Paul Kahn, president, AT&T Universal Card Services Corp. "This is our way to say 'thanks' to consumers, who have voted loudly and clearly that we're offering a combination of quality value and service that's been missing in the bank card industry.

"Extending charter membership will allow even more consumers to take advantage of a unique and innovative card that comes with no annual fee for life -- and during our research, consumers were most vocal about their dislike of annual fees associated with bank credit cards."

Kahn said a decision has not been made on any annual fee consumers might pay when signing up for the card after March 26, 1991, and that an announcement would not be forthcoming until early next year.

AT&T said the response to its AT&T Universal Card continues to exceed all expectations. In eight months, more than four million AT&T Universal Card accounts have been opened. Card members have used their cards to charge more than $3.3 billion in goods and services, and receivables stand at more than $1.3 billion. With more than 6.8 million cards in circulation, the AT&T Universal Card has quickly become the fifth most popular bank credit card in the country.

"Consumers have made it clear they want simple, basic, reliable products at a fair price," Kahn said. "They want quality and service they can count on...and no gimmicks. We've shown we provide that."

The AT&T Universal Card is accepted by all MasterCard and VISA merchants, includes a 10 percent discount on AT&T long-distance calling card rates, offers an interest rate lower than its major competitors, and is supported by the only unconditional service guarantee offered on any MasterCard or VISA card.

In addition, features normally associated only with gold bank cards are standard on the AT&T Universal Card. These include free collision damage coverage on rental cars, free extension of a manufacturer's warranty on products purchased with the AT&T Universal Card and free purchase protection from loss, theft or breakage.

To apply for the card, consumers should call toll-free 800-66-APPLY. Customer service associates are available 24 hours a day.

CONTACT: Bruce Reid, 904-443-8894 (office), 904-262-0967 (home); or Kelly Williams, 904-443-8896 (office), 904-398-1084 (home), both of AT&T Universal Card Services Corp.

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#90338p9711 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOLLAND, MI (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald G. Auch has been appointed vice president of Automotive Marketing and Sales at Donnelly Corporation (AMEX: DON). In this role, he will be responsible for all marketing and sales programs for all automotive products, including Automotive Vision Systems and Modular Window Systems. These two major automotive products groups produce interior and exterior rearview mirror components, complete interior and exterior rearview mirror assemblies, advanced added feature interior mirror systems (including lighted mirrors, lighted mirrors with electronic compass, and electrochromic mirrors), a variety of automotive interior trim and lighting products, and Modular Window Systems.

Auch has been with Donnelly for 17 years, serving in a wide variety of sales and marketing positions. His most recent area of responsibility was vice president for Marketing and Sales for Modular Window Systems. He has also been instrumental in establishing joint ventures and/or license agreements in both domestic and international markets.

An alumnus of Michigan State University, Auch is also a member of numerous automotive committees and societies.

Auch and his wife, Judy, live in Spring Lake, Mich. They have two sons. Donnelly Corporation is an international company dedicated to serving customers around the world with high-quality fabricated, molded, and coated glass products for the transportation and electronics markets. The company has been based in Holland since 1905 and today operates from 12 separate facilities in western Michigan.

In addition, Donnelly has a major manufacturing facility in Naas, Ireland; a marketing liaison office in Tokyo and in Detroit; an Advanced Technology Center in Tucson, Ariz.; and a manufacturing facility (in conjunction with Asahi Glass of Japan) in Mount Pleasant, Tenn. Donnelly is also recognized as a leader in the application of participative management practices.

CONTACT: Maryam Komejan of Donnelly Corporation, 616-394-2437.

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#90338p9712 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOLLAND, MI (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Douglas C. Ruch has been appointed Donnelly Product Line Manager for Automotive Interior Mirrors. In this position, Ruch is responsible for all interior mirror operations which includes interior mirror glass components, complete interior mirror assemblies advanced added feature mirror assemblies (lighted interior mirrors and lighted mirrors with electronic compass), as well as a variety of interior automotive lighting products. These operations are located in various production facilities in the Holland area.

Ruch joined Donnelly Corporation (AMEX: DON) in 1983 and began his career with the company as a management trainee. He went on to serve as quality manager for the Automotive Vision Systems Business Group and later assumed responsibility for Donnelly's new line of added feature interior mirrors and automotive interior lighting products. He will continue his managerial responsibilities for added feature mirrors and lighting products in his new role.

A graduate of Hope College with a B.A. in business administration and a graduate of the University of Colorado with an M.B.A., Ruch resides in Zeeland Mich., with his wife, Linda, and their two children.

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#90338p9715 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOLLAND, MICH. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - John W. Carter has been appointed vice president for Modular Window Systems Engineering at Donnelly Corporation (AMEX: DON). In this role, he will be responsible for all engineering programs in the Modular Window Systems Business Group.

Growth in demand for automotive modular windows has been strong in recent years and this growth is expected to continue because the glass is encapsulated in plastic material to produce an assembly which is easily installed into an automobile, truck, or van. These window assemblies result in higher quality, offer greater aerodynamics and design freedom to automotive manufacturers, and they are more cost competitive than conventional windows.

Carter joined Donnelly in 1986 as Modular Systems Engineering operations manager and served in that role until he accepted this new appointment. He has been very active in supporting the rapid growth of the Modular Systems Group and was instrumental in expanding production facilities, developing a strong CAD/CAM technology in the company, building a stronger engineering group in Modular Systems, and in the establishment of a Detroit sales office.

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#90338p9716 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - CRSS, Inc. (NYSE: CRX), through its subsidiaries one of the largest and most diversified design and construction services companies in the nation, today announced expected earnings for the current fiscal year within the range of $0.85 to $1.05 per share. Earnings for the year ended June 30, 1990, were $1.31 per share.

Commenting on the announcement, Richard L. Daerr, president and chief operating officer stated, "The expected earnings reflect a slowdown in new orders and the timing of capital spending decisions experienced by our design and construction services subsidiary, CRSS Services, Inc., resulting primarily from the economic and political uncertainty existing today."

Earnings for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1990 are expected to be within the range of $0.20 to $0.22 per share compared with the earnings for the second quarter of the prior fiscal year of $0.35 per share.

"Although our short-term operating results are expected to be impacted by the current economic and political uncertainty, our confidence in the long-term prospects of CRSS Inc. is very strong," Daerr commented. He added that the company continues to expect to double revenues, net income and cash flow by 1995.

CRSS, through its subsidiaries, is a diversified design and construction services company and is involved in the independent power/cogeneration industry. CRSS has also expanded through its interest in NaTec Resources, Inc., into the acid rain pollution control market.

CONTACT: Steve Pierce of CRSS, 713-552-2158.

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#90338p9717 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Sports-Tech International, Inc. (NASDAQ: STXL) today announced that as a result of uncertain market conditions it has decided to suspend the previously announced secondary public offering of 1,000,000 units of common stock and common stock warrants. The company also announced that it will seek a new managing underwriter should it determine to attempt a public offering at a later date and that it anticipates that any such offering will involve the offering of common stock and will not involve common stock warrants as part of units.

Sports-Tech recently announced net earnings of $618,405 ($.45 per share) on revenue of $6,048,233 for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Sports-Tech develops and markets advanced computer software and high performance video editing systems to professional, collegiate and high school sports customers.

CONTACT: Michael Levy, chairman of Sports-Tech International, Inc., 305-772-9155

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#90338p9718 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Ciatti's, Inc. (NASDAQ: CIATU) president and chief executive officer William C. Ferril today announced the election of Christopher L. Collier as vice president and chief financial officer of Ciatti's in addition to his present responsibilities as treasurer and assistant secretary. The CFO responsibilities previously were held by Ferril who remains president and CEO.

Collier, (29), joined Ciatti's in May 1988, initially as controller and was elected treasurer and assistant secretary in November of that year. During the past two and a half years, he has effectively managed the development and implementation of the current computerized financial reporting system and has been instrumental in working with Ciatti's lenders.

Prior to joining the firm, he was with the accounting firm of KPMG Peat Marwick for five years in their Minneapolis office. Collier received his B.A. degree in 1983 from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, and his C.P.A. certification in 1983.

Collier resides in Chanhassen, Minn., with his wife, Margie, and his daughter, Lindsey.

CEO William C. Ferril commented, "In the past two and half years, Chris has made outstanding contributions to the growth and management of Ciatti's. This promotion recognizes his contributions and his growing responsibilities."

Ciatti's Inc. is a Minneapolis-based corporation operating 10 Italian restaurants in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

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#90338p9720 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DARIEN, CT (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Bowater Incorporated (NYSE: BOW) confirmed the announcement made earlier today by Georgia- Pacific Corp. (NYSE: GP) that Bowater will conduct jointly with Georgia- Pacific an engineering and financial feasibility study of the properties in Millinocket and East Millinocket, Maine, which Georgia-Pacific acquired last year upon its merger

with Great Northern Nekoosa Corp.

The objective of the joint studies, which are expected to take about six months, is to develop a long range strategy and investment plan for the properties, possibly leading to a joint venture expansion of the lightweight coated groundwood publication paper grades manufactured there.

"It is well known that Bowater has been looking for a way to expand its base in coated publication papers," said A.P. Gammie, Bowater chairman and C.E.O. "Therefore, when Georgia-Pacific approached us and invited us to apply our extensive experience in making newsprint, groundwood based coated paper and other groundwood grades to the development of the Maine properties, we saw a possibility in time of gaining the extra production we seek. Manufacturing in Maine would allow us to add lighter weight, northern fiber papers to our well established southern grades."

Gammie stressed that all the two companies have agreed at the present time is to do the joint studies announced today. "We do not expect to make any further announcements on the project until we know the outcome of the studies " he said.

Bowater Incorporated is a major manufacturer of newsprint, coated publication papers, bleached kraft market pulp, and a converter of communication papers for business.

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#90338p9722 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Minneapolis-based London Diagnostics, Inc. announced today the signing of a three-year, $5.5 million agreement with Maruzen Petrochemical Co., Ltd., of Tokyo, Japan.

This agreement, along with a separate, $4.5 million agreement with Maruzen which was signed in April 1989, brings to $10 million the total of agreements between the two companies between 1989 and 1993.

In conjunction with the signing of the second contract, London Diagnostics received $2.875 million from Maruzen, a portion of which is for the purchase of an equity interest in London Diagnostics and a portion of which is for support of research and development. The balance of the $10 million will be paid as London Diagnostics develops products specified by the agreements.

Under the agreement, London Diagnostics will develop endocrine diagnostic products, for use in the thyroid, fertility, pituitary and pancreatic testing markets. Maruzen will receive manufacturing and distribution rights for London Diagnostics' products to the Far East, but London Diagnostics will retain

manufacturing and distribution rights for the rest of the world.

"We are tremendously excited about this second agreement with Maruzen," said Iraj Beheshti, Ph.D., founder, president and chief executive officer of London Diagnostics. "It represents recognition by Maruzen of the strength of our research and development team. And it has secured funding for us at a point when we are ready to expand dramatically our product offerings."

London Diagnostics, Inc., which is privately held, was founded in 1985. It develops and manufactures diagnostic products for the endocrine market. Its products utilize chemiluminescence, a natural phenomenon in which light is emitted during a chemical reaction.

London Diagnostics customers include some of the nation's preeminent medical centers, including Massachusetts General, the National Institutes of Health, Johns Hopkins, University of Minnesota, Cedars Sinai Hospital, and Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

Maruzen Petrochemical Co., Ltd., based in Tokyo, is a multinational corporation engaged in the import and export, manufacture, processing, and training of petrochemical and other products.

CONTACT: Perry Ketchum or Brenda Roth of Ketchum & Metz, Inc., (612) 925-1924, for London Diagnostics.

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#90338p9724 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - MICOM Communications Corp. will announce a new local terminal server capability at DEXPO West '90, the national exhibition for users of Digital Equipment Corp. equipment, to be held in Las Vegas next week.

The InstaGate 1500 Terminal Server, available in single protocol and dual protocol versions, provides full local terminal server access to any device on an Ethernet local-area network (LAN). The LAN Interface Module, a board-level plug-in product for the InstaGate 1500, supports the three popular Ethernet LAN wiring variations: Thinnet, Thicknet and twisted-pair.

The single protocol Module provides DEC LAT networking capability. The dual protocol version is targeted at networks where both DEC LAT and TCP/IP are being used. Forward and reverse LAT, and forward and reverse Telnet are supported. rlogin capability will be added in early 1991.

Additionally, MICOM now offers an X.25 Interface Module for the InstaGate 1500 Terminal Server that provides remote access via an X.25 Packet Data Network connection. The InstaGate 1500 can also support remote connections through a modem or multiplexor link or via MICOM's Instanet CommServer, one of the

industry's best selling communications servers.

Pricing of the InstaGate 1500 Local Terminal Server begins at $5,499 which provides 32 ports with LAT support. Up to 128 channels can be supported in DEC LAT networks. The dual protocol version adds $400 to the base price. Pricing for the X.25 Interface Module has been set at $3,199.

MICOM Communications Corp. is a global supplier of data/voice integration, local networking and wide area networking (WAN) products including X.25 products.

For more information, write MICOM Communications Corp. at 4100 Los Angeles Ave., Simi Valley, CA 93063. Phone: 805-583-8600. Fax: 805-583-1997.

CONTACT: Richard S. Borden or Kathleen O'Donnell of MICOM Communications Corp., 805-583-8600.

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#90338p9726 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Equibank today awarded a grant of $4,200.00 to the Homewood-Brushton Revitalization Development Corp. (HBRDC), it was announced.

The grant will be used to purchase computer equipment for the corporation's office.

"We are very pleased to receive this grant from Equibank," noted Mulugetta Birru, director of the Homewood-Brushton Revitalization Development Corp. "The computer equipment will enable us to manage our office more efficiently and upgrade the services to our community."

Equibank's grant to the Homewood-Brushton Revitalization Development Corp. is part of the bank's ongoing program to assist the city's neighborhoods. The bank is committed to assisting organizations and citizens through programs that promote economic self-sufficiency.

Howard Slaughter, community development officer at Equibank, made the presentation and added, "Equibank is happy to help HBRDC purchase this equipment. Office automation is essential to efficient management of an organization with such important responsibilities."

Equibank is a subsidiary of Equimark Corp. (NYSE: EQK), a diversified financial services corporation with assets of $3.5 billion. Equibank, with assets of $2.8 billion, operates 55 offices in southwestern Pennsylvania.

CONTACT: Joyce L. Stump of Equibank, 412-288-5932.

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#90338p9729 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
MILWAUKEE (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Harnischfeger Industries, Inc. (NYSE: HPH) have voted to double the company's quarterly dividend from 5 cents to 10 cents per share with the dividend to be paid on Jan. 9, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 26, 1990.

Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, William W. Goessel said the dividend increase reflected the continued improvement in the company's operations, the solidness of its financial condition, and the board's optimism about the company's future prospects.

Harnischfeger Industries is a holding company for subsidiaries that manufacture papermaking machinery (Beloit Corporation) and surface mining and material handling equipment (Harnischfeger Corporation) and provide systems integration services (Harnischfeger Engineers, Inc. and Syscon Corporation).

CONTACT: Francis M. Corby, Jr., senior vice president-finance and chief financial officer of Harnischfeger, 414-797-6518.

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#90338p9730 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Tescorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: TESC) today announced the execution of a nonbinding letter of intent to acquire Reed Products, Inc. a Houston-based manufacturer of molded underwater electrical connectors used in the geophysical industry and in other applications.

According to C. Robert Bunch, president and chief executive officer of Tescorp "Reed will be an important addition to our geophysical products product line. We are excited about this acquisition, especially considering the excellent Reed people who will join the Tescorp team." Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Separately, Tescorp announced that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.125 per share on its Series 1990 convertible preferred stock. The cash dividend is payable Jan. 11, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 14, 1990.

Tescorp manufactures and sells cable, connectors and geophones to the geophysical industry through its Tescorp Seismic Products division. The company also manufactures and distributes oil and gas production equipment through its Clif Mock division. For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Tescorp's revenues were $12,033,000 and net income was $705,000, or $0.08 per share.

CONTACT: C. Robert Bunch, president of Tescorp, (713) 462-0867.

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#90338p9731 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - James J. Whidden, chairman of Bio-Monitor Inc. (NASDAQ: BMON) today announced that the company has signed an exclusive agreement with Florida-based Product Delivery Services, Inc. (PDS), a distributor of durable medical equipment and disposable medical products, granting Bio-Monitor the exclusive right to sell PDS' product line at its Medical Depot Superstores. Per the agreement, a majority of these products will be distributed from warehouses opened and maintained by PDS.

Concurrently, Bio-Monitor signed an agreement with Florida-based Kiosk Systems granting the company the U.S. marketing rights to a highly advanced computer control system that can administer the warehousing and delivery of up to 50,000 different items, including all point of sale ordering, invoicing, inventory management, accounting and billing functions. One of the keys to the system is on-line links from Medical Depot store locations to terminals located at warehouse facilities and customer locations. Bio-Monitor will install the first system in its Margate, Fla. Medical Depot Superstore in December 1990 and the system is expected to be fully operational with customers on-line in March 1991.

Taken together, the two agreements will allow Bio-Monitor, as well as all other Medical Depot franchisees, to increase the amount of product stocked in each Superstore from 1,500 items to 15,000 items, and also make another 15,000 items available for 24 hour "Just In Time" delivery. Each store will also have available a 50,000 item computerized catalog, in comparison to the previously available 4,000 item mail order catalog. As well, orders from large volume, wholesale purchasers, such as hospitals or home healthcare providers, can be entered directly into the system and quickly transmitted to the nearest Medical Depot store for prompt delivery to the customer.

Commenting further, Whidden stated, "We believe these agreements will grant Bio-Monitor and other Medical Depot franchisees an unparalleled ability to meet the medical equipment and product needs of the healthcare industry on an economical, timely and efficient basis at a time in which cost control and containment are becoming the watch words of our industry. As such, this enhancement to the Medical Depot concept will also allow our wholesale customers to enjoy the benefits offered by one-stop-shopping and 'stockless' inventory."

The Medical Depot franchise is a retail store offering a complete selection of durable and disposable medical equipment, supplies and comfort items, sold to the public at retail, and segments of the healthcare industry at wholesale. The "depot" concept is modeled after the popular Home Depot and Office Depot concepts. Bio-Monitor's first two Medical Depot Superstores are located in Margate, Fla. and Deerfield Beach, Fla.

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#90338p9734 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI LAKES, FLA. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - A joint announcement was made today of the closing by Oak Tree Construction Computers, Inc. (NASDAQ: AOAK) of its acquisition of First Security Funding, Inc., Fort Worth, Texas, a major funder-processor of medical insurance receivables, according to Irwin B. Stack chairman of Oak Tree and D.R. Smith, president of First Security Funding. The final agreement was all stock transaction which places the principals of First Security in a majority position.

Simultaneously, the signing of a funding-processing contract with Century Health Care Corporation (Tulsa, Okla.) was announced by First Security which will commence immediately with the funding and processing of medical claims for several of the group's facilities. The $89,000,000 volume hospital group operates units in several states.

First Security Funding, Inc. is rapidly becoming one of the leading firms in the industry. The firm currently processes approximately $200,000,000 in medical insurance receivable claims primarily for hospitals, clinics and various medical facilities in 28 states.

"We are now in contract discussions with several other major providers," stated Smith, "and consequently anticipate that we will substantially increase our current volume within the first quarter of 1991 which should reflect in a significant return to profitability by the new Oak Tree," he concluded.

Predicated on shareholder approval, Oak Tree intends to increase its authorized but unissued common stock partially to accommodate the needs of the First Security transaction which calls for an initial exchange of 6,000,000 shares and a subsequent issuance of 5,960,000 shares to acquire all the oustanding stock of First Security.

Immediately after the closing, D.R. Smith, Terry D. Cashion and Mickey Yates, the former principal shareholders and current operating officers of First Security, were appointed to the board of directors of Oak Tree. Irwin Bosh Stack, also a former shareholder of First Security, will continue as chairman of the board of Oak Tree, a position he has held since 1986. In addition, Smith was named president, and Cashion and Yates were both appointed vice presidents of Oak Tree.

Oak Tree, founded in Nashua, N.H., originally marketed its own line of computer hardware and software to the construction industry, primarily in New England. The severe decline of the building industry led the company to

abandon that direction and seek new business avenues.

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BUFFALO, NY (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Net revenues for Ecology and Environment, Inc. (AMEX: EEI) for the first quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990, reached a record high of $20.9 million, up 25 percent from the first quarter of last year. Net income increased 27 percent to $1.5 million, or $.38 per share, the company announced today.

Ronald L. Frank, executive vice president and chief financial officer, attributes the increase in net income to increased net revenues. Operating margins remained steady between the two periods. The higher net revenues were primarily due to the company's continued expansion of its investigation and remediation services with clients other than the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Frank anticipates that the company's increased market penetration of the private sector, as well as performance of services to a greater number of government agencies, will continue to positively affect growth trends in the near future.

Ecology and Environment, Inc., headquartered in Lancaster, N.Y., a suburb of Buffalo, is a firm of international specialists in the environment. Founded in 1970, the company has offices in 25 cities throughout the United States, and is represented in more than 22 countries around the world. It presently employs over 1,200 employees.

ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT, INC. FINANCIAL REPORT
(In thousands, except per share information)

Three months ended	10/27/90	10/28/89
Gross revenues	$23,950	$18,512
Net revenues	20,950	16,747
Net income	1,511	1,188
Net income per common share	.38	.30
Weighted average common shares outstanding	3,932	3,935

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Paramount Communications Inc. (NYSE: PCI) today announced the appointment of Anthony E. Hull to the newly created position of senior director, financial planning, at the entertainment and

publishing company.

Hull, 32, had been a vice president in the mergers and acquisitions department of the communications group of Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated. Prior to joining Morgan Stanley, he was assistant production manager for Metromedia Television, WNEW-TV, the predecessor of WNYW, Fox TV.

In his new position, Hull will be responsible for acquisition planning and analysis, business forecasting, and special project work. He will report to Ronald L. Nelson, executive vice president and chief financial officer.

"Tony Hull's knowledge of the media and entertainment businesses will be extremely valuable as we continue our strategy of building assets to provide long-term shareholder returns," Nelson said.

Hull holds a bachelor's degree in economics from Amherst College and an M.B.A. from Columbia University Graduate School of Business.

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HILLSIDE, IL (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Wallace Computer Services, Inc. (NYSE: WCS) had a 1.7 percent increase in sales and a 1.5 percent increase in net income for its first quarter of Fiscal 1991.

For the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990, Wallace had net income of $9,216,000 or 43 cents per share compared with $9,079,000 or 43 cents per share in the comparable period last year. Prior year figures include income of $1,550,000 from the settlement of a patent infringement lawsuit.

Sales for the quarter were $112,100,000 versus $110,211,000 last year. "Business conditions in the first quarter remained very competitive, as we had anticipated; however, our Wallace Press, Label and TOPS Divisions reported favorable improvements in both sales and operating margins," said Ted Dimitriou, chairman and chief executive officer.

"The Business Forms Division results were not up to historical standards for the first quarter due to very aggressive market pricing conditions. We do not expect any significant change in market conditions for Business Forms in the near future," he added.

Wallace Computer Services, Inc. is a leader in the computer services and supply industry. The company's products and services include business forms, commercial printing, computer hardware and software, computer labels and accessories, machine ribbons and other office products. Wallace has sales offices, and manufacturing and distribution facilities throughout the United

States.

WALLACE COMPUTER SERVICES, INC.
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

FIRST QUARTER ENDED OCT. 31	1990	1989	PERCENT INCREASE
Net Sales	$112,100	$110,211	1.7
Income Before Income Tax	14,179	13,967	1.5
Net Income	9,216	9,079	1.5
Net Income Per Common Share	.43	.43	---
Average Common Shares Outstanding	21,433	21,177	1.2

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#90338p9743 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Holiday shoppers who put off their shopping until the last possible moment have another option besides running from store to store in a frenzy on Christmas Eve.

The electronic Mall(R), an online shopping service available to members of the CompuServe Information Service, allows shoppers to bypass the long lines and harried store clerks, and place orders directly with the merchant via their personal computer and modem.

This holiday season, connect charges for the Electronic Mall are free until 1991. (Normally, members pay $12.50 per hour while using CompuServe.) As an added service for last-minute shoppers, the Mall provides a list of its merchants who deliver overnight and can accommodate an "eleventh hour" order.

Thus, shoppers can order a gift from some merchants, including Brooks Brothers Hammacher Schlemmer, and Sears Catalog, on December 23 and receive it on Christmas Eve - a pace to make even Santa envious.

"We're seeing heavier traffic in the Mall later and later each season," said Regina Brady, CompuServe's director of customer promotion. "It's evident that the last-minute online shoppers are growing in number. We're trying to make it easier for shoppers to find what they want and order it quickly, without ever having to leave home."

Many of the items available through the Mall can be seen in "Go Mall," the printed guide to the Electronic Mall included in each issue of CompuServe Magazine, which is mailed monthly to all CompuServe members. For each gift item mentioned in the December issue of "Go Mall," order information includes "order by" dates for standard delivery, plus any rush delivery services offered by the merchant.

The Mall's 100 merchants, ranging from small specialty stores to retail giants such as Sears Catalog and JCPenney, offer thousands of items, including fresh fruit and flowers, European vacations, automobiles, apparel and home electronics. Throughout the holiday season, CompuServe and the merchants provide a variety of consulting services to help members find appropriate gifts.

"Holiday Bazaar '90," a gift guide appearing both online and in "Go Mall," saves time for the last-minute shopper by offering several gift suggestions in each of 13 categories. Categories include "Babes in Toyland," "Out-of-the-Ordinary Offerings," "Scrooge's Source" (gifts under $10) and "Rudolph's Ransom" (gifts priced at $1,000 and up).

Gift suggestions include a St. Andrew's golf sweater from Austad's Golf Shop, a talking Bart Simpson doll from JCPenny and a tin full of Christmas cookies from Pepperidge Farm.

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RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - After trading its common stock on NASDAQ's over-the-counter system since Oct. 16, 1990, Kaiser Steel Resources' stock (NASDAQ: KSRI) qualified today for NASDAQ's National Market System (NMS) company officials announced.

The NMS listing provides brokers immediate computer access to the best bid and ask prices and other information about the company's shares throughout the trading day.

According to Richard E. Stoddard, chairman and chief executive officer, "The NMS listing will enhance our market visibility, provide investors with up to the minute trading information, and offer investors the best bid and asked prices." Kaiser began public trading on Oct. 16, with a bid price of $2 per share. Trading closed on Monday, Dec. 3 with a bid price of $5 per share.

Kaiser Steel Resources is developing businesses that address vital environmental issues in Southern California, including one of the country's largest rail-haul municipal waste landfills, land remediation and development, and water resources.

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#90338p9748 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MISS. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - MidSouth Corporation (NASDAQ: MSRR) today announced that it had received an unsolicited proposal from Illinois Central Corporation (NASDAQ: ICRR) regarding a combination of the two companies. This proposed transaction was the subject of a separate Illinois Central press release issued yesterday.

Mark Levin, chairman of MidSouth Corp., stated that MidSouth will respond to the proposal after it has been reviewed by the board and the advisors of MidSouth Corporation. Levin added that the Illinois Central proposal had been the subject of a brief meeting on Friday of last week. That meeting was held at the request of Illinois Central.

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#90338p9749 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDDLEBORO, MA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Mayflower Co-operative Bank (NASDAQ: MFLR) announced net earnings of $34,000 or 4 cents per share for the second quarter ending Oct. 31, 1990, compared to earnings of $62,000 or 7 cents per share for the same quarter last year.

Net earnings for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $79,000 or 9 cents per share compared to $194,000 or 22 cents per share, for the comparable period one year ago.

William C. MacLeod, president and chief executive officer, stated, "The earnings of the bank continue to be effected by the overall weakness in the regional real estate market. As a result of these continued depressed economic conditions, the bank has continued to review and evaluate its loan portfolio and has provided $120,000 in the second quarter for possible loan losses bringing the year-to-date provision to $200,000."

As of Oct. 31, 1990, the bank's loans delinquent 90 days or more totaled $3.4 million or 4.50 percent of total loans and 3.72 percent of total assets. At Oct. 31, 1990, the bank's reserve for loan losses totaled $452,000 which was 13.45 percent of loans delinquent 90 days or more and 0.60 percent of total loans.

The Mayflower Co-operative Bank, with three offices in southeastern Massachusetts, is a state-chartered co-operative bank and has its deposits insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and the Share Insurance Fund (SIF) of Massachusetts.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - American General Corporation (NYSE: AGC) announced that it is reviewing two proposals relating to its Home Service insurance subsidiaries received pursuant to its previously announced invitation for bids. No proposals were received for the company as a whole.

"We expect to report directly to our board of directors at a meeting to be held on Thursday, Dec. 6," said Senior Vice President James S. D'Agostino Jr. "We do not expect to comment further until the board has considered the matter and determined what course of action will best serve the interests of our shareholders."

On Oct. 25, 1990, American General's board set the Dec. 3, 1990, deadline for submitting bids in connection with the pending sale process. This deadline applied to both the proposed sale of the company as a whole, announced on May 2, 1990, and the restructuring plan providing for the sale of the Home Service insurance companies, announced on Sept. 19, 1990.

American General is a consumer financial services organization with assets of $34 billion. Headquartered in Houston, American General is one of the nation's leading providers of life insurance, tax-qualified retirement plans, and consumer loans. American General common stock is listed on the New York, Pacific, London, and Swiss stock exchanges.

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#90338p9756 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

PEARL RIVER, NY (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - CGI-Informatique, a worldwide software products and services firm based in Paris, announced today that it has acquired Yourdon, Inc. from the Eastman Kodak Company.

Yourdon, Inc. markets, develops and supports automated tools used by large organizations to develop custom software applications such as billing and inventory systems. The company was founded in 1974 by Edward Yourdon, a noted computer industry author and developer of the Yourdon Structured Method.

The Yourdon Structured Method, which divides the software development process into a series of highly structured steps, is the world's most widely used software development approach. More than 200,000 software developers worldwide use the Yourdon Structured Method to build software applications.

Yourdon, Inc, which is based in Raleigh, N.C., has revenues of approximately $7 million and 50 employees. The company also has offices in London and in four U.S. cities.

CGI-Informatique, a publicly held firm traded on the French stock exchange, has revenues of $260 million, employs 3,000 people in more than 40 locations and has business activities on five continents.

Bernard Chapot, vice chairman and chief operating officer of CGI-Informatique, said the acquisition of Yourdon, Inc. represents a significant step in the company's strategy to expand its software and service activities, particularly in North America.

CGI-Informatique's wholly owned subsidiary - CGI Systems, Inc in Pearl River, N.Y. - is responsible for the marketing and support of the company's computer-aided software engineering (CASE) tools PACBASE and PACLAN in the United States and Canada.

CGI Consulting Inc., in Berwyn, Pa., provides software consulting and training in the United States. CGI Systems, Inc. and CGI Consulting, Inc. have a combined staff of 500 employees and revenues of $40 million.

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#90338p9758 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOLINE, ILL. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Deere & Company (NYSE: DE) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Hans W. Becherer said today, "The lower net income in the final quarter of 1990 resulted primarily from significantly lower production of lawn and grounds care products and industrial equipment, reflecting our response to a weaker general economy in North America. Sales incentive costs were substantially higher due to extremely competitive market conditions. Fourth quarter results in 1989 were affected by a four-week strike at the company's lawn and grounds care equipment factory in Wisconsin.

The company's worldwide equipment operations, which exclude income from the financial services subsidiaries, had net income of $39.8 million in the fourth quarter of 1990, compared with $66.4 million in the year-ago period. For the entire year, these operations earned $284 million in 1990, compared with $248 million in 1989. Income tax rates in the fourth quarter of both years were low due to previously unrecognized tax credits.

Net income from credit, insurance and health care operations for the fourth quarter of 1990 was $33.7 million, compared with $36.5 million in the same period last year. Net income of these operations was $121.7 million in the 1990 fiscal year, compared with income of $124.0 million in 1989.

North American retail sales of John Deere agricultrual equipment improved for the entire 1990 fiscal year, but were lower in the fourth quarter. Lawn and grounds care product retail sales were down significantly compared with last year's final quarter, and were lower for the entire year. Retail sales of John Deere industrial equipment were relatively unchanged in the fourth quarter of 1990, but somewhat higher for the year. Demand for John Deere products overseas was flat for the fiscal year and lower for the quarter.

Total consolidated assets at Oct. 31, 1990, were $10.664 billion, which included $5.067 billion of financial services assets. Total assets increased by $1.519 billion during 1990, $639 million of which was attributable to the continued growth of the company's credit, insurance and health care operations.

The following information is disclosed on behalf of the company's U.S. credit subsidiary, John Deere Capital Corporation, in connection with the disclosure requirements of programs providing for the issuance of debt securities:

John Deere Capital Corporation earned $14.4 million in the fourth quarter of 1990, compared with $20.2 million in the same period last year. For the 1990 fiscal year, net income totaled $66.3 million, compared with net income of $67.4 million in 1989.

The slightly lower fiscal year income resulted mainly from a higher provision for credit losses on new lines of business, which was partially offset by higher margins earned on a larger volume of receivables financed this year and by increased gains on sales of retail notes to other financial institutions. The lower net income for the fourth quarter this year also reflects a higher provision for credit losses and higher expenses resulting mainly from refinements relating to the deferral of receivable acquisition costs, which were partially offset by increased margins earned on a higher volume of receivables financed.

Total net credit receivables and leases of John Deere Capital Corporation were $3.516 billion at Oct. 31, 1990, compared with $3.044 billion one year ago.

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#90338p9759 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - British Gas, Yukong Ltd. of Seoul, Korea, and Union Pacific Petroleum Suez Ltd. jointly announced today "promising results" from initial testing of the Warda No. 1, a wildcat oil well in the North Zaafarana Block B-1 (82,800 acres) in the northern Gulf of Suez, Egypt.

The three partner firms - 50 percent, 25 percent and 25 percent respectively -

stated the testing program is expected to last through the end of 1990. Further details of the find will be released by the group after completion of the testing program. British Gas is the operator.

Union Pacific Suez Ltd. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Union Pacific Resources of Fort Worth, which is one of the nation's largest independent United States exploration and production firms. It is the oil and gas subsidiary of Union Pacific Corporation (NYSE: UNP) of Bethlehem, Pa.

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#90338p9760 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Metropolitan Financial Corporation (NYSE: MFC), Minneapolis, announced today that it has completed its offering of 425,000 units consisting of one share of $2.875 cumulative perpetual preferred stock and one warrant to purchase one-half share of common stock.

The units were priced at $25 per unit with the warrant entitling the holder to purchase one-half share of the common stock at $12.50 per share. The preferred stock is nonredeemable for five years and the warrants expire in ten.

The company noted that the offering's underwriters, Dain Bosworth Incorporated and Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated, both of Minneapolis, exercised an overallotment option granted them by the company and purchased an additional 63,750 units, the full amount granted under the option.

The offering raised $12.2 million for Metropolitan. Proceeds will be used to enhance the financial condition of the company's insured savings bank subsidiary, Metropolitan Federal Bank, fsb, and to facilitate its expansion in the Upper Midwest.

Prior to the offering the bank exceeded all the current and fully phased in regulatory capital requirements. After giving effect to the application of proceeds, the pro forma tangible, core, and risk-based capital ratios of the bank at Sept. 30, 1990 would have been 3.30 percent, 4.40 percent, and 11.80 percent, respectively, as compared with the fully phased in requirements of 3.00 percent, 3.00 percent and 8.00 percent, respectively.

Metropolitan Financial Corporation is a regional financial services holding company. Its full service consumer savings bank, Metropolitan Federal Bank, Fargo, N.D., operates 110 offices in 92 communities in the states of North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Arizona and is the Twin Cities largest originator of residential mortgage loans.

Its real estate sales and brokerage subsidiary, Edina Realty, is Minnesota's largest home seller. At Sept. 30, 1990 the company reported consolidated

assets of nearly $4.2 billion. Metropolitan Financial Corporation's common and preferred stock trade on the New York Stock Exchange. The common under the symbol MFC. The newly issued units trade on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol MFCNU.

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#90338p9761 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - In an effort to better utilize technology in offering products and service, Barnett Banks, Inc. (NYSE: BBI) has formed a new company, Barnett Technologies Inc.

The new company is a merger of the former Barnett Operations Company and Barnett Computing Company. Jonathan Palmer, executive vice president, will serve as chairman and chief executive of the new company.

"This new structure will help us deliver industry-leading, technology-based products and services," Palmer said. "Ultimately, this will provide customers with more convenience and better service."

Before the merger, operations and computing operated independently of each other. With Barnett Technologies, the operations and computing areas will work together closely to deliver operating and information services to Barnett's 32 banks in Florida and Georgia.

"We have now aligned ourselves to better serve our 32 affiliate banks. This will help as we continue to increase our information technology development," Palmer said.

"Information technology" includes projects such as check imaging, which will create a computer picture of every check Barnett handles, enabling the company to work with the image rather than the check itself. This will reduce the repetitive handling of documents and improve customer service and productivity.

In the future, Barnett customers may receive image statements. Instead of checks, customers will get high-quality picture images of their checks. This will eliminate the need for Barnett to send the checks themselves, reducing the weight of a statement package and reducing customers' costs.

Customer convenience is one of Barnett Technologies' top priorities, Palmer said. "We are working to develop the technological infrastructure that will enable customers to do business at any place, any time."

Barnett's Automated Response Telephone (BART) is already helping to accomplish this goal. It currently receives more than 100,000 calls a month from customers needing information about their accounts.

"We plan to develop systems that can support customers' needs and anticipate changes in business. Barnett Technologies Inc. will give us the combined resources to accomplish our goals," Palmer said.

With $31.4 billion in assets and 590 offices in Florida and Georgia, Barnett is the leading financial institution in Florida and the 20th-largest in the country. The company's stock (BBI) is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

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#90338p9764 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

AVON, MASS. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Child World, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CWLD) today announced a plan to conserve cash during the Christmas season.

Under the plan, the company will continue to pay interest on its loans and full payments will be made on any merchandise orders placed between Dec. 5, 1990, and Jan. 15, 1991. After that period, the company would expect to seek the resumption of normal trade terms. The plan also calls for a suspension through Jan. 15, on principal payments on the company's seasonal working capital line. Child World is also negotiating for an extension of its working capital line until 1992.

The plan has been adopted to put vendors and lenders on an even footing and to provide a continual supply of merchandise during the critical Christmas season. The company said that cash on hand, together with cash generated from operations, will be enough to assure vendors of prompt payment for new shipments.

"This is a prudent response to an unexpected combination of events," said Child World President Peter Hayes. "I am optimistic of a successful outcome. It is in the best interests of all parties -- vendors and lenders -- to ensure that Child World's Christmas season, the source of half of our annual sales, is as strong as possible. Child World expects to maintain its position as a major customer for its suppliers."

Child World, the second-largest retail toy supermarket chain in the United States, will aggressively pursue meetings with its suppliers this week. The agent bank for Child World already has indicated its support for the plan. Company management will also discuss the program with the Toy Manufacturers Association later this week.

Child World also announced its results for the third quarter which ended Nov. 3, 1990. Net sales for the quarter of $185.6 million increased 18 percent

over last year's net sales of $157.3 million. For the first nine months of 1990, net sales rose 9.6 percent to $466.5 million from $425.6 million for the first nine months a year ago. Third-quarter comparable store sales increased 3.5 percent while comparable store sales for the first nine months were flat.

Sales benefited from improvement of in-stock levels, marketing programs that emphasized aggressive pricing and the company's "Fair Price Guarantee." More frequent circular advertising and television advertising also promoted the company's unique layaway program.

The third-quarter net loss was $14.4 million, or $1.26 per share, compared to a net loss of $4.1 million, or $.36 per share, in the third quarter last year. The increased net loss was due to a reduction in the estimated effective rate for taxes for the entire year from 49 percent to 32 percent, and a lower gross margin rate associated with promotional pricing and increased advertising to stimulate additional customer traffic. Expenses for stores opened less than a year also contributed to the increased net loss. The nine-month net loss was $30.3 million, or $2.66 per share, compared to a net loss of $14.4 million, or $1.26 per share, in 1989.

Child World's business is highly seasonal. Operations in the fourth quarter, which includes the Christmas selling season, historically provide approximately half the annual sales and all of the company's earnings for the year.

In the fourth quarter, Child World expects to provide for restructuring its operations. Possible actions include additional markdowns and further reductions in fixed costs. These moves, for which charges will be reflected in the fourth quarter, will result in Child World reporting a substantial loss for the year.

Child World is actively pursuing other strategic alternatives, including a restructuring of its working capital lines, programs to reduce working capital needs, new sources of financing, and a renewed effort to sell the company.

Hayes said that Child World has a number of operating strengths that the company plans to exploit.

First, while Child World is the second-largest retail toy supermarket in the country, most of its stores are in New England and the Midwest, leaving room for expansion into other areas, like California, without saturating the market.

Second, Child World has valuable leases in desirable marketing areas that would be difficult for competitors to match on the same terms.

Third, the company's test of a new store format in nine stores has been extremely successful. The new format creates more open space and a less rigid presentation of product while requiring less inventory.

Fourth, Child World is generally among the top five purchasers across all lines of toys and toy-related items.

Child World operates 182 toy supermarket stores in 32 states. The company opened eight new stores this year, including its first in the Southern California market. Child World stores offer a broad assortment of merchandise including toys, bicycles, baby furniture, electronics, learning toys, juvenile apparel, children's sporting goods, and outdoor play equipment.

CHILD WORLD, INC.
Sales and Earnings
(000s omitted, except per-share figures)

	Third quarter		Nine months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$185,590	$157,338	$466,467	$425,632
Loss before income taxes	(13,404)	(7,346)	(44,687)	(25,702)
Income tax (benefit)	953	(3,232)	(14,376)	(11,309)
Net loss	(14,357)	(4,114)	(30,311)	(14,393)
Loss per share	$(1.26)	$(.36)	$(2.66)	$(1.26)
Weighted average number of shares	11,397	11,426	11,397	11,423
Effective tax rate (percent)	(7.1)	49.0	32.2	49.0

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#90338p9773 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, CA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - A Lockheed team YF-22 Advanced Tactical Fighter prototype conducted the first missile launch by an ATF during flight testing here last week.

With General Dynamics (NYSE: GD) test pilot Jon Beesley at the controls, the YF-22 successfully launched an unarmed AIM-9M Sidewinder missile on a range at the China Lake Naval Weapons Center.

"Our weapon delivery system performed within prescribed limits," said Sherm Mullin, Lockheed vice president and general manager, F-22 Team Program office. "Since our prototype is so close to the production version we are proposing, this demonstrates that our weapon employment suite is on its way to a low risk full scale development," he said.

"This is the culmination of a four-year development effort. After the initial design phase, extensive wind tunnel separation tests were conducted to develop the weapon carriage and launch system tested here. The success of this test

confirms that the analysis tools we're using are very accurate," Mullin said.

This aircraft is Lockheed's primary demonstrator for weapons bay characteristics and launch performance. In December, plans call for it to launch an AIM-120A AMRAAM missile.

Lockheed's YF-22 represents one of two proposed designs in the United States Air Force's Advanced Tactical Fighter competition. Lockheed, teamed with Boeing (NYSE: BA) and General Dynamics, designed, built and in now flight testing its YF-22 prototype under a $697-million Air Force contract.

The Lockheed team will continue to fly the two YF-22 prototypes through the end of this year. In 1991, the Air Force will select a single weapon system design to go into full-scale development.

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PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) has completed a three-year, $33 million program increasing the vertical clearance on its tracks between Chicago and the metropolitan New York/New Jersey area to 20-feet, 6-inches.

The work enables double-stack trains with high cubic capacity containers to use the route.

In all, Conrail increased vertical clearances at 98 bridges and tunnels along the route since work began in 1988.

"This achievement is another demonstration of Conrail's commitment to double-stack transportation," said James A. Hagen, Conrail's chairman, president and chief executive officer. "With the higher clearance between Chicago and New York, Conrail expands its capabilities on this key east-west route to meet the growing demand by both international and domestic customers for double-stack service. Conrail is now able to fully develop its domestic container programs between Chicago and New York, two of the largest consumer markets in the nation."

Additional benefits will be realized when work funded by the state of New Jersey is completed. The work involves construction of a new connection at Marion Junction in Jersey City which will improve operational efficiency in the northern New Jersey area.

Conrail has operated double-stack trains between Chicago and northern New Jersey since 1984. However, because of the previous clearance of 19-feet, 4-inches, a high cubic capacity container could only be stacked with a smaller

container. The 20-foot, 6-inch clearance allows the route to accommodate two high cubic capacity containers stacked one atop another, further improving the significant efficiency advantages of double-stack transportation.

Double-stack has been used primarily for mini-landbridge service, the through movement by ship and rail of containerized cargo originating in the Far East and bound for the heavily populated U.S. East Coast consumer markets. Mini-landbridge is up to two weeks faster than the all-water route from Asia via the Panama Canal.

Domestic shippers have also started to use double-stack service in increasing numbers. "Conrail's investment in the clearance program also reflects our belief in the future growth of this domestic market," said Hagen.

In 1989, Conrail transported approximately 216,000 containers in double-stack service, representing about one-fifth of the 1,132,000 containers and trailers Conrail handled in its inter-modal business that year. In 1984, the first year of double-stack service on Conrail, they totaled about 14,000 units, about 1.7 percent of the 832,000 intermodal trailers and containers Conrail transported.

Conrail provides rail freight transportation service in 14 Northeastern and Midwestern states, the District of Columbia, and the Province of Quebec.

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MIAMI (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan Am Express will increase its service to the Bahamas on Dec. 15 when it begins flying between Miami and both Treasure Cay and Marsh Harbour.

The airline will operate two daily flights between Miami and each of the two Bahamian destinations, and plans to increase it to four daily flights in each market on Jan. 1.

"We realize the great market potential the Bahamas can offer and the value that serving the islands through Miami can add to our already strong presence in Florida," said William Lange, president of Pan Am Express. "We now offer service to eight cities in Florida and two islands in the Bahamas and that number will continue to grow," he added.

Flight 4601 will depart Miami at 11:45 a.m., arrive in Treasure Cay at 12:55 p.m. and continue on to Marsh Harbour where it will arrive at 1:30 p.m. Flight 4605 will depart Miami at 2:10 p.m., arrive in Treasure Cay at 3:20 p.m. and is scheduled to arrive in Marsh Harbour at 3:55 p.m.

The return flight will depart Treasure Cay at 1:15 p.m. continue on to Marsh

Harbour where it will depart at 2:00 p.m. and arrive back in Miami at 3:20 p.m. The later flight will depart Treasure Cay at 3:40 p.m., Marsh Harbour at 4:10 p.m. and arrive in Miami at 5:30 p.m.

On Jan. 1, Pan Am Express will add a morning and evening flight in both directions. All flights will be operated with British Aerospace Jetstream 31 aircraft.

CONTACT: Elizabeth Hlinko of Pan Am, (212) 880-6265.

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DENVER (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Gas Resources Inc. (NYSE: WGR) ("Resources") announced today that, through its 52 percent owned subsidiary Western Gas Processors Ltd. (NYSE: WGP) ("Western"), it has an executed letter of intent with Amoco Production Co. ("Amoco") for the purchase of Amoco's Edgewood Gas Processing Plant and related production, located approximately 35 miles northwest of Tyler, Texas. Western believes that a purchase and sale agreement is very close to being signed. The purchase price is $36 million with an expected closing to occur by Feb. 1, 1991 with an effective date of Jan. 1, 1991. The closing will be contingent on the satisfactory outcome of an environmental audit which is currently underway.

The Edgewood Plant gathers gas produced from the Smackover formation in Eastern Texas. The plant currently processes approximately 49 MMcfd. Of this 22 MMcfd is produced from wells operated by Western and Western will own a majority interest in upon consummation of the acquisition and 27 MMcfd is third party gas dedicated to the Edgewood Plant. Western has also contracted with Dallas Production Inc. to gather and process its gas that is located in the vicinity of the plant. Western estimates that the initial gas production from three recently completed Dallas Production wells to be hooked up during the first quarter of 1991 will contribute significantly to plant throughput.

Gas produced from the Smackover formation is "sour", meaning it contains significant amounts of hydrogen sulfide (H_2S) and carbon dioxide (CO_2). Additionally, the gas stream contains significant amounts of liquid hydrocarbons ("NGLs"). The plant was designed to remove the H_2S, CO_2 and NGLs from the gas stream and separate the pure products.

The plant uses a chemical "sweetening" process to remove the H_2S and CO_2. Another process is used to remove the liquid hydrocarbons. The remaining residue gas is then ready for delivery to the pipeline for public use. The NGLs are further fractionated into propane, butane and natural gasoline and are ready for sale. The removed H_2S is converted to elemental sulfur and is sold in molten form. The liquid processing also results in stabilized condensate that is available for marketing. Daily production currently averages approximately 15,000 gallons of propane, 20,000 gallons of butane,

7,000 gallons of natural gasoline, 65,000 gallons of stabilized condensate and 200 long tons of sulfur. These amounts will increase after the Dallas Production gas is added in 1991.

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-30- 2810
#90338p9785 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

PURCHASE, NY (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM announced today it will make available $4.5 million in computer systems to federally funded disabilities support centers being established nationwide.

Under a program called the IBM Disabilities Assistance Network, personal computers and software will be loaned at no charge to the agencies and nonprofit organizations designated by the states and U.S. territories to operate the centers.

The computers will be available to centers receiving federal grants to help them assess needs, coordinate resources and answer telephone inquiries. The equipment also will be used to provide demonstrations of computer technology solutions that assist people with disabilities.

Twenty-three states have received grants through the Technology Related Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities Act of 1988, and additional states and territories are expected to be funded within the next two years.

"This program builds on the partnerships IBM has established with state agencies and nonprofit organizations that work with people who have disabilities," said James G. Parkel, IBM director of corporate support and community programs.

"Computer technology is providing solutions that help many of the estimated 43 million Americans with disabilities to lead more independent lives. The IBM network will help make those solutions available to individuals, families, educators, rehabilitation professionals and employers across the country."

Through the program, centers will be eligible for IBM Personal System/2 models peripherals, software and databases that assist people with disabilities. IBM products designed to assist people with hearing, vision, speech and other disabilities will also be available to the centers.

The loan program will be managed by the company's National Support Center for Persons with Disabilities in Atlanta. The center opened in 1985 to increase awareness of the ways personal computers can enhance the quality of life for people with disabilities.

CONTACT: Andy McCormick of IBM, 914-697-6595.

-30- 2282
#90338p9787 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Coca-Cola Company (NYSE: KO) and Hoechst Celanese Corporation today announced plans to introduce early next year the first-ever plastic soft drink bottles made with a blend of recycled plastic, a significant breakthrough in plastics recycling.

The two companies have developed commercial viable technology which actually breaks down plastic soft drink bottle polymer into original molecules, then reconstructs the purified resin for use in making new plastic soft drink bottles.

Bottles made from recycled plastic have never been marketed before. The bottles will be introduced in test market early next year.

"Producing new plastic beverage bottles with a blend of recycled plastic is a significant step ahead in plastics recycling," says M. Douglas Ivester, senior vice president, The Coca-Cola Company and president, Coca-Cola USA. "The technology will allow the 'closed loop' recycling of our plastic bottles, just as our other suppliers use recycled aluminum and steel for cans and recycled glass for glass bottles."

The resin produced by Hoechst Celanese Corporation's affiliate company, Cape Industries, meets The Coca-Cola Company's strict packaging standards for product quality, consumer safety and environmental impact. The companies have been in contact with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration which is reviewing the process.

Until now, the more than 200 million pounds of plastic soft drink containers recycled in the U.S. were used in making carpeting, fiberfill stuffing for jackets and comforters, lumber, piping, patio furniture and non-food bottles. Not only will the recycling technology expand end-use markets for recycled plastic containers, but it will also help increase the 28 percent recycling rate for all plastic soft drink bottles produced in the U.S., Mr. Ivester said.

Over time, The Coca-Cola Company has reduced the amount of raw material used to produce its packaging, including glass bottles, aluminum cans and plastic soft drink containers by 43 percent, 35 percent and 21 percent, respectively.

CONTACT: Randy Donaldson of The Coca-Cola Company, 404-676-3853, or James P. Allen of Hoechst Celanese Corp., 704-554-2224

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#90338p9788 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
STAMFORD, CONN. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - General Host Corporation (NYSE: GH)

today reported a substantial improvement in results for its third-quarter and nine-month periods ended Nov. 4, 1990.

In its seasonally slow third quarter, normally a loss period, the nation's largest lawn and garden retailer cut last year's deficit by nearly 27 percent in the wake of reduced operating expenses and improved same-store sales. The company reported a loss from net and continuing operations of $4.9 million, or 27 cents per share, compared with a loss of $6.7 million, or 35 cents per share, the prior year. The comparison would have been even more favorable except for a 5.6 percent reduction in average shares outstanding stemming from an ongoing corporate stock repurchase program, it was noted.

Same-store sales increased 4.1 percent in the third quarter while total sales rose 4.4 percent to just over $100 million. Selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses were cut 8.5 percent over the prior year.

Through nine months, the company reported income from net and continuing operations of $61,000 vs. a year-earlier net loss of $8.1 million, or 42 cents per share. In the year-earlier period the company lost $4.7 million, or 24 cents per share, from continuing operations -- the 18 cents per share differential reflecting a charge to discontinued operations from settlement of a lawsuit. Total sales reached $379 million, an improvement of 4.3 percent, and same-store sales rose 3.4 percent. Through 40 weeks, SG&A expenses were reduced 10 percent from the prior year.

General Host said its flagship subsidiary, Frank's Nursery & Crafts, has completed installation of laser scanning and price lookup on each of its 1,600 cash registers. Going forward, these computer systems are expected to speed up checkout lines by at least 30 percent, generate higher sales, cut payroll expenses, improve margins and reduce shrinkage.

With 280 stores in 18 states, General Host operates the nation's largest specialty retail chain devoted specifically to the sale of lawn and garden products, crafts, and Christmas merchandise. Its main operating unit is Frank's Nursery & Crafts.

CONTACT: Walter B. Rogers of General Host, 203-357-9900

-30- 2444

#90338p9791 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - CITGO Petroleum Corp. today announced that on Friday, Nov. 30, it completed the acquisition of a 50 percent interest in a new general partnership, Seaview Oil Co. This new entity owns and operates a petroleum refining facility in Paulsboro, N.J., with a rated processing capacity of 84,000 barrels per day, as well as other assets and operations that were formerly owned by Seaview Petroleum Co., L.P. a New Jersey limited partnership. The former owner continues its interest through

its ownership of the other 50 percent of Seaview Oil Co. CITGO and Seaview Petroleum Co., L.P. announced on July 16, 1990, the signing of a letter of intent which contemplated this transaction.

CITGO Petroleum Corp. is a refiner, marketer, and transporter of quality petroleum products, lubricants, and petrochemicals. It is an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of Petroleos de Venezuela, S.A., (PDVSA), the national oil company of Venezuela.

CONTACT: Kent Young of CITGO Petroleum Corp., 918-495-5111

-30- 1204

#90338p9795 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - North Star Universal, Inc. (NASDAQ: NSRU) announced today that it has reached an agreement in principle to sell Diesel Cast Welding, Inc. The sale is subject to normal regulatory approvals and is expected to close this calendar year. Terms and buyer were not disclosed.

North Star Universal, Inc. owns and supervises the management of businesses engaged in computer cabling and related services, health care services, and other industries. North Star Universal also owns a 50.9 percent majority interest in Michael Foods, Inc. (NASDAQ: MIKL).

CONTACT: Peter Flynn of North Star Universal, 612-546-7500; or John Mackay of Padilla Speer Beardsley, 612-871-8877, for North Star

-30- 880

#90338p9796 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MICH. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) today reported the following sales figures:

	1990	1989	Pct. Change	Memo: Selling Days 1990	1989
Total Vehicles					
Nov. 21-30	61,689	88,507	-30.3	8	8
November	232,152	243,889	- 4.8	25	25
Jan. 1-Nov. 30	3,136,347	3,402,997	- 8.2	282	281
Total Cars Nov. 21-30	33,124	49,096	-32.5		
November	132,645	138,070	- 3.9		
Jan. 1-Nov. 30	1,811,678	2,047,098	-11.8	Imported Cars	
Nov. 21-30	1,248	2,138	-41.6		
November	4,299	5,341	-19.6		
Jan. 1-Nov. 30	59,808	73,692	-19.1	Total Trucks	
Nov. 21-30	28,565	39,411	-27.5		
November	99,507	105,819	- 6.0		

Jan. 1-Nov. 30	1,324,669	1,355,899	- 2.7	Light Trucks
Nov. 21-30	27,562	38,055	-27.6	
November	96,673	102,155	- 5.4	
Jan. 1-Nov. 30	1,282,249	1,302,745	- 1.9	

Note: Percentage changes are based on daily selling rates.

CONTACT: Joel Pitcoff, 313-337-3753, or June Larsen, 313-337-3755, both of Ford

-30- 1579

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DETROIT (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are unit sales for the ten-day period, Nov. 21-30, for Lincoln-Mercury Division:

	Current	Year-ago
Grand Marquis	1,604	2,441
Cougar	1,291	2,042
Sable	1,710	2,298
Topaz	825	1,842
Tracer	972	902
Capri	410	---
Lincoln Town Car	2,200	4,123
Mark VII	233	462
Continental	1,982	1,451
XR4Ti	---	29
Scorpio	---	657
TOTAL	11,227	16,247

CONTACT: Edda LaFramboise of Lincoln-Mercury Division, (313) 446-4368.

-30- 992

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DETROIT (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Division today reported the following 10-day sales figures:

	Nov. 21-30		Month-to-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Selling days	8	8	25	25
Ford	2,741	2,055	9,220	5,795
Thunderbird	1,745	2,513	8,627	7,315
Taurus	5,788	8,783	21,967	23,731
Tempo	2,529	4,946	10,454	14,658
Escort	5,294	6,888	21,977	18,536
Festiva	838	1,452	2,944	4,120
Mustang	2,035	2,910	11,055	9,043
Probe	927	3,302	3,338	8,832

Total cars	21,897	32,849	89,582	92,030
Bronco	625	1,874	2,452	5,283
Bronco II/Expl	5,371	3,305	19,053	8,721
Club Wagon	574	758	1,428	1,975
Van	2,355	3,543	7,750	10,590
Aerostar	3,715	4,269	12,783	10,369
Ranger	5,664	9,875	20,490	25,530
F-Series	9,258	14,431	32,717	39,687
Heavy	1,003	1,356	2,834	3,664
Total trucks	28,565	39,411	99,507	105,819

	CYTD	
	1990	1989
Selling days	282	281
Ford	107,606	100,939
Thunderbird	99,818	115,121
Taurus	289,870	323,611
Tempo	201,126	212,654
Escort	269,489	315,393
Festiva	50,128	65,225
Mustang	117,722	154,288
Probe	99,674	126,157
Total cars	1,235,433	1,413,388
Bronco	44,475	57,677
Bronco II/Expl	162,151	101,101
Club Wagon	19,208	23,688
Van	134,837	156,201
Aerostar	167,487	174,361
Ranger	262,887	262,765
F-Series	491,204	526,952
Heavy	42,420	53,154
Total trucks	1,324,669	1,355,899

CONTACT: Mike Parris of Ford Division, 313-446-7770

-30- 2376

#90338p9805 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Midway Airlines, Inc. (NYSE: MDW) today reported traffic results for November 1990.

Revenue passenger miles (RPMs) for November 1990 increased 31.6 percent over November 1989 to 398,321,000. Available seat miles (ASMs) increased 24.9 percent to 679,717,000. The company enplaned 571,395 passengers during the month, an increase of 29.2 percent over November 1989. The system load factor for November 1990 was 58.6 percent, 3.0 points above the previous November load factor.

Midway Airlines set daily enplanement records through the Thanksgiving holiday

travel period and boarded a record 30,300 passengers on Nov. 25.

Year-to-date (YTD) RPMs increased 40.9 percent over 1989 to 4.5 billion. ASMs increased 36.9 percent to 7.8 billion YTD. The company enplaned 6,565,073 passengers YTD, an increase of 38.6 percent. The system load factor YTD was 58.4 percent.

The data includes the operations of the company's wholly owned commuter subsidiary, the Midway Commuter.

Midway Airlines offers coast-to-coast service from its hubs at Chicago's close-in Midway Airport and Philadelphia International Airport. Midway Airlines and its wholly owned subsidiary, the Midway Commuter, serve 60 destinations in the United States, Canada, U.S. Virgin Islands and the Bahamas.

MIDWAY AIRLINES, INC. TRAFFIC

	November 1990	November 1989	Percent Change
Passengers			
Enplaned	571,395	442,086	29.2
RPMs (000)	398,321	302,624	31.6
ASMs (000)	679,717	544,068	24.9
Load Factor	58.6 percent	55.6 percent	3.0 pts.
Year-to-Date			
	YTD 1990	YTD 1989	Percent Change
Passengers			
Enplaned	6,565,073	4,738,413	38.6
RPMs (000)	4,537,928	3,220,291	40.9
ASMs (000)	7,776,405	5,679,208	36.9
Load Factor	58.4 percent	56.7 percent	1.7 pts.

CONTACT: Sandra Allen of Midway Airlines, 312-838-4813.

-30- 2256

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TAMPA, FL (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Environmental Resources Management-South, Inc. is expanding its Florida operations with the opening of a new South Florida office in Boca Raton, Fla. Albert R. Capellini, P.E., has been named manager of the new office of ERM-South, which has its headquarters in Tampa and operates one other branch office in Miami.

Paul Gruber, P.G., principal-in-charge of Florida operations who made the announcement, said the Boca Raton office will be instrumental in extending ERM's consulting services statewide at a time when Florida businesses are faced with a growing number of environmental regulations. Since it was formed in 1983, ERM-South has consulted on approximately 450 environmental projects

in 30 of Florida's 67 counties. This year the company's total billings will approach $10 million.

"Concern over the environment is once again becoming a major issue for both businesses and government in Florida. The tremendous level of urban and commercial development associated with Florida's population growth in the past two decades is shaping up to be a leading factor in redirecting Florida's priorities toward environmental protection in the 1990s," according to Gruber, who chairs the Tampa Chamber of Commerce Water Issues Task Force and served as past legislative chairman of the Florida Section of the American Institute of Professional Geologists.

"More Florida companies than ever before are seeking solutions to environmental problems and assessing how environmental laws affect their growth plans," said Gruber, who oversees a staff of 55 scientists, engineers and support personnel in the three Florida offices.

Capellini, 43, has been a Deerfield Beach city commissioner since 1989. He has been an environmental engineer for the past 17 years and is a board-certified member of the American Academy of Environmental Engineers.

ERM-South is part of the ERM Group, a Pennsylvania-based environmental consulting company with a network of 50 offices worldwide and 1990 annual revenues of approximately $200 million.

The ERM Group is a multidisciplinary company specializing in engineering (environmental, civil, mechanical and agriculture), geology and hydrogeology, soil science, agronomy and aquatic and marine biology. According to Engineering New Record, an industry trade publication, the company is the fourth-largest hazardous waste consultant in the U.S. and 46th largest engineering company in the U.S. In four of the past five years, The ERM Group has been cited by INC. Magazine as one the fastest-growing young, privately held companies in the U.S.

CONTACT: Jeff Tucker or Steve Holub of Tucker Communications, 813-228-0652; or Paul Gruber of ERM-South, 813-622-8727, ERM-South.

-30- 2959

#90338p9812 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Comstock Resources, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CMRE) announced today that its board of directors has unanimously adopted a stockholder rights plan. Under the plan, preferred stock purchase rights will be distributed as a dividend at the rate of one right for each share of common stock held of record as of the close of business on Dec. 17, 1990. The rights will expire on Dec. 17, 2000.

Under the plan, each right will entitle holders of Comstock's common stock to

buy one one-hundredth of a newly issued share of Series A junior participating preferred stock at an exercise price of $15.00. The rights are exercisable only if a person or group acquires beneficial ownership of 20 percent or more of Comstock's common stock, a person owning 10 percent or more of Comstock's common stock is declared an "adverse person" or a person or group commences a tender or exchange offer upon consummation of which that person or group would beneficially own 20 percent or more of the common stock.

Generally, if any person (i) becomes a beneficial owner of 20 percent or more of Comstock's common stock other than pursuant to an offer for all shares determined by a majority of unaffiliated continuing directors to be fair to the stockholders and otherwise in the best interests of both Comstock and its stockholders or (ii) the board declares a person or group beneficially owning at least 10 percent of Comstock's common stock to be an "adverse person", each right not owned by the acquiring or adverse person or related parties will enable its holder to purchase, at the right's then current exercise price, shares of Comstock's common stock (or, in certain circumstances as determined by the board, a combination of cash, property, common shares, or other securities) having a calculated value of twice the rights exercise price.

In addition, any time after a person or group acquires beneficial ownership of 20 percent or more of the outstanding shares of Comstock's common stock (except pursuant to an offer for all outstanding shares of common stock determined by a majority of the unaffiliated continuing directors to be at a price which is fair to the stockholders and otherwise in the best interests of Comstock or its stockholders), Comstock is acquired in a merger or other business combination, or more than 50 percent of its assets, cash flow, or earning power is transferred in any one transaction or a series of related transactions to another person or persons, each right that has not previously been exercised will entitle its holder to purchase, at the right's then current exercise price, shares of common stock of such other person having a calculated value of twice the right's exercise price.

Further, at any time after a person or group acquires 20 percent or more of Comstock's outstanding commons stock or is declared an "adverse person", but such person holds less than 50 percent of Comstock's outstanding common stock, the board of directors may, at its option, exchange part or all of the rights (other than rights held by the acquiring or adverse person) for shares of Comstock's common stock on a one-for-one basis.

Comstock will generally be entitled to redeem the rights at $.01 per right at any time until the close of business on the earlier of the tenth day following public announcement that a 20 percent position has been acquired or the tenth business day after a person is declared to be an adverse person.

Comstock Resources, Inc., with headquarters in Dallas, owns and manages income producing assets in oil, casinghead and natural gas, precious metals and real estate, with subsidiary operations since 1865. Additional information about

the company may be obtained by contacting M. Jay Allison, president and chief executive officer, at 5005 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1150, Dallas, Texas 75244; telephone 214-701-2100.

CONTACT: M. Jay Allison, president and chief executive officer, Comstock Resources, Inc., 214-701-2100.

-30- 4244

#90338p9814 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Westrec Properties Inc. of North Hollywood and Brandy Group Inc., of Boca Raton, Fla., today announced that Westrec has acquired the operations of Brandy Group, combining two of the leading firms in marina ownership and management in the United States.

Westrec President Mike Sachs and Brandy President Bruce Blomgren made the announcement jointly.

Westrec is the largest marina chain in the country, now owning and managing 17 marinas in five states (California, Arizona, Texas, Florida and Georgia) and the District of Columbia. Its properties are primarily full-service marinas, featuring restaurants, hotels, condominiums and retail facilities.

The Brandy Group is a 13-year-old marina management and consulting firm. Its consultants perform market research for waterfront planning and use studies as well as provide counsel on marina construction and capital management. Blomgren has coordinated hundreds of consulting assignments domestically and internationally. Among other duties, he will handle both national and international marketing and consulting.

"We are delighted that this acquisition is taking place," said Sachs. "Mr. Blomgren's experience in marina ownership, development and management is extensive, and our ability to add his firm's expertise will greatly benefit Westrec."

The former Brandy Group, Inc., will be merged into Westrec Consulting Inc., which will be renamed Westrec/Brandy Associates, Inc. Blomgren will serve as president of this Westrec subsidiary. All of the properties currently managed by Brandy will now join the Westrec network.

"The concept of a chain of marinas has been my personal vision for many years " Blomgren said. "This association with Westrec will bring us much closer to realizing our mutual dream of a national and one day, international chain of marinas."

The Brandy Group's newsletter, which goes to boat and marina owners and managers nationwide, and has a circulation of 15,000, will be renamed the Westrec/Brandy newsletter. The addition of Westrec's client base will

increase the circulation to more than 30,000 and will position the newsletter as one of the leading publications covering the marina business.

Westrec will continue to be active in the acquisition, management, development and financing of marinas and will expand its planning and consulting businesses.

Westrec owns and manages marinas across the U.S., accommodating more than 7500 boats in both wet-slip and dry-storage facilities. Created in 1987 by founder Michael Sachs, Westrec and its operating companies provide a full range of marina-related services, beginning with consulting for marina design and financing through construction and day-to-day marina management.

CONTACT: Michael Sachs of Westrec Properties Inc., 818-753-0400, or Dick Brodrick of Hill and Knowlton Inc., 213-937-7460.

-30- 3097

#90338p9815 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Eaton Vance Distributors, Inc., announces the start of the continuous offering of shares of its new mutual fund, Eaton Vance Short-Term Global Income Fund. The Fund raised approximately $50 million during an initial subscription period which commenced on Oct. 25, 1990, and ended on Nov. 23, 1990, with a settlement date of Nov. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Art MacPherson of Eaton Vance, 617-482-8260

-30- 599

#90338p9819 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DODGEVILLE, WIS (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - At its recent meeting the Lands' End (NYSE: LE) board of directors declared an annual dividend of 20 cents per common share. The dividend will be paid on Dec. 27, 1990, to shareholders of record at the end of business on Dec. 13, 1990.

The 20-cent dividend is the same as that paid to shareholders during the prior fiscal year, which ended Jan. 31, 1990.

The company has 19.5 million common shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Charlotte LaComb of Lands' End, 608-935-4835

-30- 680

#90338p9821 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co. today announced its plans to officially begin construction on The Ritz-Carlton, Kapalua on the Hawaiian island of Maui.

The 550-guest room hotel will be part of the world renowned Kapalua resort development and is scheduled to open in late 1992. Located on Honokahua Bay, the site contains approximately 40 acres and is contiguous to the third hole of Kapalua's Bay Course. The site enjoys panoramic views of the Pacific as well as one of Maui's most beautiful white sand beaches.

The Ritz-Carlton, Kapalua is being developed by The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co. and is owned by Kaptel Associates; a joint venture between Nissho Iwai Corp., Maui Land & Pineapple Co. Inc. and The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co. The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co., with its international headquarters in Atlanta, will be the operator.

Upon making the announcement, William B. Johnson, chairman of the board of The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co., noted that: "We are truly pleased to have this opportunity to become a part of Kapalua. It is one of the most select and beautiful resort communities in the world."

The Ritz-Carlton, Kapalua will blend the relaxed beauty of the tropics with the genteel ambience of a Ritz-Carlton hotel. Decorated in the traditional Hawaiian style of the late 19th century, the hotel will offer spacious guest rooms with large lanais overlooking the Pacific. For meetings, the resort features a 16,000-square-foot ballroom as well as two boardrooms and eight meeting rooms. Dining will be unsurpassed, combining the island's freshest local foods with the genius of world renowned chefs.

Leisure activities include championship golf at the resort's three world-class golf courses. The Ritz-Carlton, Kapalua will also embrace 10 tennis courts, a fitness center and spa facilities, a swimming pool and outdoor jacuzzi. And, of course, guests may wile away the hours on the white sandy beach which fronts the hotel.

The Ritz-Carlton, Kapalua is the company's second hotel in Hawaii. The Ritz-Carlton, Mauna Lani will open on Hawaii's Big Island on Dec. 15. The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co. also operates hotels and resorts in Atlanta, Buckhead (uptown Atlanta), Boston, Cleveland, Dearborn (Michigan), Houston, Kansas City Laguna Niguel (California), Marina del Rey (California), Naples, New York, Pentagon City (Arlington, Va.), Phoenix, Philadelphia, Rancho Mirage (California), St. Louis, Sydney (Australia) and Washington, D.C. Other hotels scheduled to open in 1991 include Amelia Island (Florida), Palm Beach, The Huntington Hotel in Pasadena (California), San Francisco, as well as hotels in London and Barcelona.

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#90338p9822 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - United States Gypsum Company and Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO) today jointly announced the signing of a synthetic gypsum supply agreement which establishes NIPSCO's Bailly Generating Station as the future supplier of synthetic gypsum to U.S. Gypsum Company's East Chicago, Ind., gypsum wallboard plant.

In an effort to reduce sulfur dioxide emissions well in advance of the requirements of the 1990 Clean Air Act, a limestone scrubber is currently under construction at NIPSCO's Bailly plant. When completed in mid-1992, this advanced flue gas desulfurization facility will convert sulfur dioxide emissions into synthetic gypsum and bring the Bailly facility into compliance with the 1990 Clean Air Act three years ahead of its requirements.

Under the terms of the agreement, U.S. Gypsum Company will purchase a minimum of 140,000 tons of the synthetic gypsum per year for use in the production of gypsum wallboard at its East Chicago facility.

Further terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

U.S. Gypsum Company currently utilizes synthetic gypsum at its Galena Park, Texas, and Baltimore plants. The Bailly facility scrubber will be owned and operated by Pure Air, a joint venture of Air Products and Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, but NIPSCO will retain title to the synthetic gypsum produced at the facility. The project is being partially funded by the U.S. Department of Energy under its Clean Coal Technology program.

U.S. Gypsum Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of USG Corporation (NYSE: USG), a Fortune 500 corporation with operating subsidiaries that are leading manufacturers and distributors of building materials such as gypsum wallboard and related products, home improvement products and ceiling, wall and floor systems.

The Northern Indiana Public Service Company is a subsidiary of NIPSCO Industries and is the state's largest utility company.

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#90338p9823 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Genetic Engineering, Inc. (NASDAQ: GEENE) announced today that, having settled its RICO litigation, the company's auditors completed the audit for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1989. Net income totalled $774,545 or 24 cents a share on 3,378,675 shares outstanding. For the year ended Aug. 31, 1988, net loss was $369,316 on 3,178,675 shares outstanding.

Net revenue for the fiscal year just ended were $40,181 compared to $13,646 for the prior fiscal year.

The company plans to file its financials for fiscal year 1990 sometime next month.

Genetic Engineering, Inc. is a biotechnology company.

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#90338p9829 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHPAGE, N.Y. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Grumman Corporation (NYSE: GQ) announced today that Renso L. Caporali has been confirmed as the chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

On July 19, Caporali was elected chairman and CEO to replace John O'Brien, who resigned unexpectedly for personal reasons. At the same time, a search committee was also formed, composed of the eight non- employee members of the board of directors, to consider candidates for the position from both inside and outside the company. The chairman of the search committee, John T. Sargent, announced today at a meeting of employees that, after reviewing the field of qualified candidates, the board had unanimously confirmed Caporali as the best choice.

"My first priority," said Caporali, "is now to recommend to the board my choice of a president and chief operating officer who can help move the company on the course we have set. We must continue to improve our financial performance, reduce our debt and our operating costs, earn the confidence of our customers and develop products and technologies that make sense in our changing markets."

Explaining why the board conducted a search after electing Caporali in July, Sargent said, "Perhaps the most important decision a board has to make is the selection of a chief executive. We have an obligation to the shareholders and all the other people who put their trust in Grumman to make sure we have considered every qualified candidate. We did have the opportunity to consider some outstanding people -- senior executives with brilliant track records in some of America's great corporations."

Caporali joined the company in 1959, after serving as a U.S. Navy aviator. His career has included engineering, development and general management assignments. He was president of the Aircraft Systems Division from 1985 to 1988, and had been vice chairman-corporate technology from July 1988 until his election as chairman in July of this year. Caporali holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering and a master's in mechanical engineering from

Clarkson College of Technology. He earned three degrees in aeronautical engineering from Princeton: a master's, a master of arts, and a Ph.D.

Grumman Corporation is best known as a leading maker of military aircraft and aerospace systems. Other businesses include integrated information processing systems, emergency vehicles and aluminum truck bodies. The company has headquarters at Bethpage and employs 25,500 worldwide. Sales in 1989 were $3.56 billion.

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#90338p9831 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of trustees of New Plan Realty Trust (NYSE: NPR) today declared an increase in the quarterly cash dividend to 28 cents per share from 27-1/2 cents, marking the 46th consecutive quarterly increase in dividends paid by the trust.

The new dividend, payable on outstanding shares of beneficial interest, represents an increase of two cents per share to $1.12 on an annualized basis. The new dividend is payable on Jan. 11, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 2, 1991.

The largest publicly owned equity real estate investment trust (REIT), New Plan holdings include 61 shopping centers, apartment complexes and other properties in 14 states east of the Mississippi.

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#90338p9832 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Oryx Energy Co. (NYSE: ORX) today announced a natural gas discovery well in Lea County, N.M., that tested at nearly four million cubic feet per day (MMcfD).

The Gila 4 Deep Com. No. 1 flowed 3.7 MMcf/D and 66 barrels of condensate through a 14/64-inch choke at a flowing tubing pressure of 3,600 pounds per square inch from performations between 14,276 and 14,334 feet in the Atoka formation. The well reached a total depth of 15,700 feet.

The discovery is located in Section 4, Township 25S, Region 33E, about six miles west of the Pitchfork Ranch Field and 25 miles west of Jal, NM. Oryx Energy operates the Delaware Basin discovery with a 70-percent working interest.

Dallas-based Oryx Energy Co. is the largest independent oil and gas company in

the world, with assets in excess of $5 billion and proved reserves of a billion equivalent barrels.

Oryx Energy conducts its domestic operations through Sun Energy Partners, L.P. of which it is the managing general partner and 98-percent owner. Oryx Energy trades on the New York Stock Exchange with the symbol ORX and the partnership with the symbol SLP.

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#90338p9833 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENCINO, CALIF. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Medical Properties Inc. (AMEX: MPP) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.30 per share, payable Jan. 14, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 28, 1990.

Medical Properties is a real estate investment trust engaged in investing in income producing health care related facilities.

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#90338p9839 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HANOVER, MD (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Significant control of European corn borer in corn by InCide(TM) biopesticide, a genetically engineered plant vaccine, was announced today by Crop Genetics International (NASDAQ: CROP).

Dr. James Davis of CROP stated that 1990 field performance trials confirmed the company's InCide plant vaccine provided significant reduction in European corn borer damage in inoculated corn plants grown under field conditions. Based upon these successful field trials, CROP is seeking approval from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to expand testing of its InCide genetically engineered corn bioinsecticide. CROP is proposing to conduct InCide field tests in Nebraska and at its Maryland research farms. It is estimated that the European corn borer, a major corn insect, causes more than $400 million in yield losses annually in the United States.

The application to the EPA and USDA follows successful 1989 greenhouse tests and the 1990 field performance tests conducted in Maryland. "These field performance trials represent a key milestone in InCide's developmental progress," said CROP entomologist Dr. Mark Beach. "It means that a recombinant product, which demonstrated insecticide activity in greenhouse trials,

performs in a similar or better fashion under field conditions."

Davis also announced that CROP conducted 1990 hybrid selection studies to determine which Midwest corn hybrids would be most compatible with the InCide system. CROP, in conjunction with DeKalb Plant Genetics, NC(Plus) Hybrids and Hoegemeyer Hybrids evaluated 27 corn hybrids at 48 Midwest locations. An additional 50 hybrids were tested at the company's research farm in Maryland. Hybrids demonstrating favorable characteristics will advance as commercial candidates for development with the technology.

CROP said it expects its first application of the InCide technology will allow farmers to eliminate insecticide usage for corn borer control. While seed costs would increase with the InCide technology, InCide treated seed could save corn growers $7.50-$25 per acre on insecticides.

Crop Genetics is an agricultural biotechnology company that is developing, manufacturing and marketing biological products which improve crop productivity, while reducing the costs and environmental hazards associated with traditional crop protection pesticides.

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#90338p9845 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Lexus November sales of 5,847 rose 54.3 percent compared to November '89, according to figures released today by the luxury division of Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc.

Sales of 3,983 LS 400 models -- a one month record -- were up 45.5 percent from a year ago, while ES 250 sales of 1,864 were up 77.6 percent. Year-to-date 1990 Lexus sales reached 56,791. The best previous month for LS 400 sales was August 1990 (3,856).

"The big jump in ES 250 sales indicates the overall Lexus increase is more than just people wanting to avoid the luxury tax," said Dave Illingworth, Lexus group vice president. "November's sales results is an indication of the continued momentum that has been built by both Lexus models."

Illingworth pointed to the surging sales of the ES 250, not affected by the luxury tax, as an indication of Lexus' overall strength in the marketplace. ES 250 sales were up more than 50 percent for the third straight month.

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#90338p9851 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Transmedia Network, Inc. (NASDAQ: TMNI), which owns and markets a restaurant charge card offering 25 percent savings on meals, today announced record revenues of $7,534,343; earnings of $308,828 and earnings per share of 15 cents for its year ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $4,711,239, $165,330 and 8 cents, respectively, for 1989.

Total revenues for the year included net sales of $7,088,571, compared to $4,422,836 a year earlier, membership and renewal fee income of $392,401, compared to $288,403 for 1989, and initial and continuing franchise fee income of $53,371.

Melvin Chasen, Transmedia's chairman, pointed out that during this banner year:

-- "For the first time in the company's history, sales momentum carried us to record earnings in our fourth quarter, a period usually marked by a seasonal lag in business;

-- "We launched our first franchise (most of the state of New Jersey); -- "We continued to gain credibility and recognition with organizations such as Chemical Bank distributing Transmedia's Executive Savings Card to their employees;

-- "Our number of member restaurants reached more than 600 and cardmembers 31,000, compared to more than 450 and 20,000, respectively, the year before.

Chasen added, "We foresee even greater growth in the number of finer restaurants, as well as diners, discovering Transmedia's value-added services in coming years."

He explained, "This growth will occur as restaurants, facing an increasingly difficult economic and competitive environment, realize Transmedia can provide both capital and patrons, two badly needed assets for survival. It will come also as diners, who are becoming progressively value- and price-oriented, realize they can save 25 percent on meals at a growing list of finer restaurants."

Transmedia Network, Inc., established in 1984, derives its income from membership fees and cardmembers' use of the Executive Savings Card which converts food and beverage credits issued to the company by restaurants in return for cash advancements used by these dining establishments for a wide variety of needs.

TRANSMEDIA NETWORK, INC.

Year ended Sept. 30:	1990	1989
Revenues	$7,534,343	$4,711,239
Earnings	308,828	165,330
Earnings per share	$.15	$.08

Weighted average number of shares outstanding	2,048,936	1,974,945

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#90338p9853 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Maxus Energy Corp. (NYSE: MXS) announced that plans are progressing ahead of schedule to reach 200,000 gross barrels per day from its Intan and Widuri fields in the Southeast Sumatra contract area of Indonesia by year-end.

Production of 80,000 gross barrels per day from the Widuri-A platform commenced this week with the installation of the permanent processing facility. This is an addition to the 45,000 gross barrels per day of production from the Intan-A and B platforms which were already producing.

During December, the Widuri-B, C, and D platforms will be added to bring production from the Intan and Widuri fields to 200,000 gross barrels per day. With Intan and Widuri on stream, Maxus' worldwide net oil production for 1991 will be approximately 50 percent greater than in 1990.

Total production from all fields in the Southeast Sumatra contract area of Indonesia is expected to average 240,000 gross barrels per day in 1991 compared to an average 95,000 gross barrels per day in 1990. Using a $20 per barrel price, the net production to Maxus from this area in 1991 would be 56,500 barrels per day.

The production from approximately 60 wells in the Intan and Widuri fields is being processed through the permanent processing facility. The facility is designed to perform gas, oil and water separation for up to 300,000 barrels of fluids per day.

After being processed, the oil will be pumped approximately two miles for storage in the permanently moored storage tanker, the "Maxus Widuri." Capable of storing two million barrels of oil, the "Maxus Widuri" will loan Intan and Widuri crude for shipment to worldwide markets.

Maxus Energy is operator with 56 percent of the contractor's interest in the Southeast Sumatra production-sharing contract area. The other interests in the contract area are held by BP Petroleum Development (SES) Ltd., C. Itoh Energy Development Co., Ltd., Deminex Sumatra OEL GmbH, Repsol Exploracion S.A., Hudbay Oil (Indonesia) Ltd., Inpex Sumatra, Ltd., Lasmo Sumatra Ltd., Sunda Shell N.V., TCR Sumatra AG and Warrior Oil Co. The contract area is held with Pertamina, the Indonesian state oil company.

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#90338p9854 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DARIEN, CT. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Transact International Inc. (NASDAQ: TACT) today reported a profit for the three-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, the second quarter of fiscal 1991. The company stated that, while the quarterly profit was marginal, it represented the fifth consecutive profitable quarter.

Sales for the second quarter were $3,083,890 compared to $3,208,596 for the same period a year earlier. Net income was $11,573, the equivalent of less than 1 cent per share, versus a net income of $240,978 or 4 cents per share for the same period in fiscal 1990.

For the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, sales were $5,927,419 compared with $4,956,782 for the same period a year earlier. Net income for the first half of fiscal 1991 was $166,125 or 3 cents per share, versus net income of $4,924, equivalent to less than 1 cent per share, during the first six months of fiscal 1990.

Frank B. Carder, president of Transact, pointed out that the company continues a profitable trend which began 15 months ago. He also noted that the company's backlog of orders as of the end of October stands at $11.8 million, compared to $6.2 million a year ago, up over 90 percent. He added, "The Oct. 31, 1990 backlog includes $8.3 million of U.S. Air Force orders received in fiscal 1991."

Transact International is a specialized design, engineering and manufacturing organization which produces air cargo handling systems and equipment for airlines, air freight companies, airport authorities and the U.S. Air Force. The company's executive offices are in Darien, Conn., and its manufacturing facilities are in Memphis, Tenn.

TRANSACT INTERNATIONAL INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Six Months	
Oct. 31;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$3,083,890	$3,208,596	$5,927,419	$4,956,782
Operating Costs:				
Cost of sales	2,587,869	2,369,484	4,763,998	3,798,440
Selling & admin. exp.	442,477	505,200	920,535	895,465
Computerized robotic car parking	40,000	75,427	70,849	174,799
Total	3,070,346	2,950,111	5,755,382	4,868,704
Income from operations	13,544	258,485	172,037	88,078
Other Income (Expense):				

Interest expense	(11,573)	(22,808)	(23,630)	(91,158)
Other, net	9,602	5,301	17,718	8,004
Total	(1,971)	(17,507)	(5,912)	(83,154)
Net income	11,573	240,978	166,126	4,924
Net income per share of common stock	--	$0.04	$0.03	--
Weighted avg. shares outstanding	6,093,235	6,093,235	6,093,235	6,093,235

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-30- 3103

#90338p9855 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Georgia Public Service Commission (PSC) today approved a one-year trial of Southern Bell's request to offer Caller ID which is part of the company's TouchStar(R) service.

With Caller ID service and a special display unit, customers will be able to identify the telephone numbers of incoming calls from the immediate local calling area.

"We believe Caller ID has great potential to reduce obscene and harassing calls," said Carl Swearingen, Southern Bell's vice president for Georgia.

The charge for Caller ID service will be $6 a month for residence customers and $9.50 a month for single-line business customers. Customers who subscribe to the service will also need to rent or purchase a separate display unit. Southern Bell will provide blocking of Caller ID service to law enforcement and crisis intervention agencies.

"Privacy and security are growing public concerns and we think that Caller ID service helps address those concerns," Swearingen said. "Caller ID increases privacy and security for the person receiving calls."

Caller ID service will be offered in most of Southern Bell's service areas throughout Georgia by the second quarter of 1991.

CONTACT: Gene Parker, 404-391-2478, or Lynn Bress, 404-391-2484, of Southern Bell

-30- 1478

#90338p9859 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TEXAS (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The CompuAdd Corp., which opened 74 retail PC stores between April 1989 and January 1990, today announced that the second wave of its retail expansion will focus on 12 large "superstores" in new and existing markets.

The superstores will range from 12,000 to 25,000 square feet, compared with the current store average of about 5,500 square feet.

"We believe that larger stores in selected markets will yield a higher return as we continue our investment in the retail distribution channel," said Richard McLemore, director of sales and marketing. "The superstore concept has great potential to service large numbers of customers, and we intend to be at the forefront of this phenomenon."

CompuAdd plans to roll out its superstores at the rate of about one per month, beginning Dec. 9 in the Chicago suburb of Schaumberg. Planned locations range from coast to coast and include cities such as Portland, Ore., Boston, New Orleans, Louisville, Washington, D.C., and Dallas.

CompuAdd, with 1989 sales of $400.1 million, designs, manufactures and supports its own line of award-winning PCs. It also sells more than 2,000 related products through a company-owned product delivery system that also includes direct marketing and direct sales operations.

In a recent independent Dataquest survey of U.S. PC users, CompuAdd was ranked No. 1 in overall customer satisfaction, quality, customer commitment and price/value.

CONTACT: John Q. Pope of CompuAdd, 512-250-2000

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#90338p9862 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert A. Scroggie, director of Logistics for Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) and Douglas J. Glass, assistant vice president of Automotive Group for Union Pacific Railroad, today dedicated the transportation industry's first fully closed, 20-foot tri-level rail car at Chrysler's Sterling Heights Assembly Plant.

The multi-level rail car, designed jointly by Chrysler, Union Pacific Railroad and Thrall Manufacturing, will accommodate passenger cars, minivans and medium size truck units produced in the Detroit/ Windsor, Ontario area.

Each new tri-level rail car will transport 15 to 18 units per shipment in contrast to 10 to 12 units on a bi-level rail car.

"The new tri-level rail cars take advantage of increased rail clearance necessary for the shipment of double-stack container trains, reduce in-transit damage and eliminate the 'top decking' of minivans and truck units," said Scroggie. "The design of the new tri-level rail car will improve transportation efficiency and result in a cost savings to Chrysler."

Chrysler will place over 150 tri-level rail cars in operation by the end of the year.

On the new tri-level rail cars, passenger car units are loaded on the first deck and minivans and medium size trucks on the second and third decks.

Traditionally, trucks and vans were shipped on bi-level units and passenger cars were shipped on tri-level rail cars.

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#90338p9864 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Reflecting continued income improvements, Burnup & Sims Inc. (NASDAQ: BSIM) today reported earnings for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, of $1.8 million, or $0.19 per share (including $0.05 from the repurchase of Burnup & Sims Inc. 12 percent debentures), on revenues of $47.7 million, compared to $1.2 million, or $.12 per share, on revenues of $49.6 million last year.

Earnings for the six months were $4.0 million, or $0.42 per share, on revenues of $96.1 million, compared to $3.3 million, or $0.34 per share, on revenues of $93.8 million for the same period last year.

Burnup & Sims operations remained profitable, in spite of downward economic pressures. National Beverage's results continued to be strong with six-month earnings reflecting stabilized ingredient costs and improved product pricing.

Burnup & Sims, a leading national telecommunications service company, has diversified interests in real estate, movie theatres, printing and the soft drink beverage industry. With 12 bottling facilities throughout the United States, National Beverage Corp. owns and bottles Shasta, Faygo and Spree All Natural beverages, a Sante water and various private label soft drink brands.

BURNUP & SIMS INC.
CONSOLIDATED RESULTS FOR THE PERIODS ENDED
OCT. 31, 1990 AND 1989
(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31,		Six Months Ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$47,744	$49,581	$96,116	$93,830
Net income	$ 1,803	$ 1,150	$ 4,013	$ 3,252
Averge Shares Outstanding	9,666	9,662	9,663	9,661
Earnings per share	$.19(A)	$.12	$.42(A)	$.34

(A) -- Includes $0.05 from the repurchase of Burnup & Sims Inc. 12 percent debentures.

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#90338p9866 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - American Honda Motor Co. Inc. today reported third 10-day, month-to-date and year-to-date automobile sales figures for November 1990:

	3rd 10-Day 11/21-11/30		Month-to-date November		Year-to-date 1/1-11/30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total American Honda			76,036	65,672	805,402	721,294
Honda Div. Ttl			67,729	55,040	676,981	589,090
Acura Div. Ttl			8,307	10,632	128,421	132,204
Import Sales			35,631	31,901	363,252	363,438
Honda Div.			27,324	21,269	234,831	231,234
Acura Div.			8,307	10,632	128,421	132,204
Domestic Sales						
Honda Div.	19,529	15,626	40,405	33,771	442,150	357,856
Model breakouts by division:						
Honda Division						
Ttl (Imp & Dom)			67,729	55,040	676,981	589,090
Civic(a)			26,585	20,233	248,426	219,178
Accord(a)			39,239	32,603	392,810	328,432
Prelude			1,905	2,204	35,745	41,480
Ttl Memo	19,529	15,626	40,405	33,771	442,150	357,856
Civics	7,881	6,609	15,067	15,623	179,137	161,775
Accords	11,648	9,017	25,338	18,148	263,013	196,081
Acura Div. Ttl			8,307	10,632	128,421	132,204
Legend			2,889	4,955	48,499	60,196
Integra			5,122	5,677	79,091	72,008
NSX			296		831	

(a) Domestic

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#90338p9874 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CALIF. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Hyundai Motor American today announced that it sold 10,487 automobiles in the month of November 1990.

Following is the sales breakdown:

Car Line	Nov. 1990	Nov. 1989	CY 1990	CY 1989
Sonata	1,526	2,968	26,748	32,238
Excel	6,828	9,040	93,165	140,475
Scoupe	2,133	---	4,502	---
Total:	10,487	12,008	124,415	172,713

Hyundai Motor America has sold over 1,004,450 vehicles since entering the U.S. market in 1986. Besides introducing the new midsize Sonata V-6 and an all new redesigned version in 1990 of the award winning Excel, the company introduced the Scoupe, a sporty car, aimed at young buyers seeking stylish, economical transportation.

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#90338p9877 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HONOLULU (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - First Nationwide Bank's home loan business apparently has not been affected by its recent sale of its 19 branch offices here.

First Nationwide, third largest sales and loan lender on the Islands, has seen a slight decline in new home loans, "but that's probably a result of a slowdown in residential sales," said Leatrice Kauahi, district manager and vice president for the San Francisco-based thrift.

She said her 4,000 Island customers either send their mortgage payments to a central facility in California or drop them off at the bank's office at 1001 Bishop Street. "At the most, only ten percent of our customers were making their mortgage payments at our branches," she noted.

Virtually all home mortgages in Hawaii originate with a realtor, Kauahi noted, and First Nationwide continues to keep in touch with that important group. Tonight, some 200 local realtors are expected to attend a reception at Honolulu's Plaza Club with First Nationwide's home office executive in charge of real estate lending.

Hawaii is a bright spot in the nation's home market, Kauahi said. "It's taking a little longer to sell a house or condo now," she acknowledged. "Before, properties often sold before listings, but demand is still strong, and we don't expect much of a slow down."

First Nationwide's entire $832 million loan portfolio in Hawaii is in single-family dwellings and condominiums. Kauahi, a member of the

implementation committee of the Hawaiian Community Reinvestment Corp., observed that the greatest demand is for low-to-moderate-income housing.

The Community Reinvestment Corp. is a consortium of banks and savings and loan associations being formed now to create ways to finance housing for low-income residents.

"We will be getting a lot of input from our colleagues on the Mainland," said Kauahi. She noted that First Nationwide Bank is one of a handful of thrifts to have been judged "outstanding" in its community reinvestment activities. First Nationwide, a subsidiary of Ford Motor Co., operates more than 300 offices in 11 states. The bank sold its Hawaii branches last October.

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#90338p9880 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

GERMANTOWN, MD. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Microlog Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MLOG) announced that it has completed its acquisition of Genesis Electronics Corporation, which is now a subsidiary of Microlog.

The acquisition price consists of up to 675,000 shares of Microlog common stock and $500,000 in cash, less certain adjustments. The closing of the acquisition followed Microlog's receipt on Nov. 28, 1990, of approval of the transaction in a California state fairness hearing.

Genesis, located near Sacramento, Calif., manufactures and markets voice mail systems and software for small and medium-size organizations through a large network of distributors.

Microlog Corporation designs, assembles, markets and services voice processing systems with a variety of applications. The company also provides, through its subsidiaries Old Dominion Systems Incorporated of Maryland and Old Dominion Services, Inc., performance analysis and technical and administrative support services, primarily to a prime contractor to the U.S. Navy.

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-30- 1317

#90338p9881 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - A capital spending budget for 1991 of $308 million was approved today by Enserch Corporation's board of directors. This budget compares with an estimated spending level of approximately $221 million for 1990.

"We anticipate improved cash flow next year to support the budgeted level of capital spending," said W.C. McCord, Enserch chairman and president. "More than 95 percent of the increase and about two-thirds of next year's budget represents planned spending for Enserch's petroleum exploration and production business in anticipation of improved production levels and higher average prices of oil, natural gas liquids and natural gas compared with those in 1990."

Capital expenditures for petroleum exploration and production activities are budgeted at about $205 million, more than a 60 percent increase from 1990 estimated capital expenditures of $123 million.

About 25 percent of the total estimated 1991 spending for this segment has been allocated to the corporation's Gulf of Mexico oil and gas development program.

The natural gas transmission and distribution segment has budgeted 1991 spending of $79 million, compared with $73 million in estimated 1990 spending. About $8 million will be spent in 1991 to complete the Bethel salt-dome storage facility located about 85 miles southeast of Dallas.

An $8 million, 26-mile, 20-inch pipeline will be constructed to fortify Lone Star Gas Co.'s pipeline system and to provide additional natural gas to the North Dallas market area. The remainder of the funds will be used generally for additional fortifications and replacements of gathering, transmission, and distribution system properties, and for extensions to new customers.

The remaining capital expenditures, or some $24 million, are budgeted for Enserch Corporation's engineering and construction activities and general corporate requirements. Enserch Corporation is a diversified energy, engineering and construction company.

CONTACT: Crystal C. Bell, (214) 670-2528; or Benjamin A. Brown, (214) 670-2204 both of Enserch Corporation.

-30- 2316

#90338p9883 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE DD) and Perstorp Polyols Inc. have signed a letter of intent for Perstorp to buy Du Pont's formaldehyde plant in Toledo, Ohio.

The sale is subject to negotiation of a definitive agreement and is expected to be completed by year-end. Terms were not disclosed.

The plant produces formaldehyde solutions and has an operating capacity of more than 200 million pounds per year. Perstorp plans to operate the facility to supply its paint additives plant adjacent to the Du Pont plant. The plant

also will supply Du Pont with formaldehyde for its customers in the region.

Perstorp said it anticipates offering employment opportunities to current employees, subject to discussions with them and their bargaining representatives. "This purchase would represent an excellent strategic fit for Perstorp with our plans for continued growth," said Bengt Sallmen, president of Perstorp Polyols Inc.

Du Pont has produced formaldehyde in Toledo since 1947. The transaction does not involve a second DuPont plant in Toledo that produces automotive paint products.

Perstorp is a diversified specialty chemical, laminate and plastic products company with parent headquarters in Sweden and plants in Toledo, Florence, Mass., and 11 other locations in North America. Products manufactured in Toledo include pentaerythritol and trimethylolpropane for the resins and coatings industry as well as for use in the manufacture of plastics and synthetic lubricants.

Du Pont is a diversified global chemicals and energy company with 1989 sales of more than $35 billion.

CONTACT: Kathleen H. Forte of Du Pont, 302-773-4418, or Bengt Sallmen, president of Perstorp, 419-729-5448

-30- 1917

#90338p9885 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Lennar Corporation (NYSE: LEN) today declared regular quarterly cash dividends of $.06 per common share and $.05 per Class B share. Both dividends are payable Feb. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Feb. 5, 1991.

Lennar Corporation, based in Miami, is one of the nation's leading home builders and real estate companies.

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-30- 586

#90338p9887 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Columbia Gas Development Corp., the Houston-based oil and gas exploration and production subsidiary of the Columbia Gas System Inc. (NYSE: CG), today announced the successful completion of three Austin Chalk wells in Texas.

Two of these wells, the Charles Schultz No. 3 and the Hovorak- Lightsey No. 1,

are located in the Giddings Field in Burleson and Lee counties. The third well, the Shiner No. A-3, is located in the Pearsall Field in Frio County.

The three wells have a combined production rate of 2,217 barrels of oil and 519,000 cubic feet of gas per day, according to John P. Bornman Jr., president of Columbia Gas Development.

-- The Charles Schultz No. 3, a vertically drilled well, was last flowing (Nov. 28, 1990) at a rate of 857 barrels of oil per day through a 24/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 500 p.s.i. Gemini Exploration Co., of Dallas, is the operator of the well. Columbia Development has a 50 percent working interest.

-- The Hovorak-Lightsey No. 1, a horizontally drilled well, had an initial potential rate of 832 barrels of oil and 319,000 cubic feet of gas per day through a 36/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 150 p.s.i. Union Pacific Resources Co. (UPRC), of Fort Worth, Texas, is the operator of the well. Columbia Development has a 19.6 percent working interest.

-- The Shiner No. A-3, another horizontal well, was put on pump at a rate of 528 barrels of oil and 200,000 cubic feet of gas per day. Hinton Production Co., of Mt. Pleasant, Texas, is the operator of the Shiner No. A-3 well. Columbia Development has a 37.15 percent working interest.

Columbia Gas Development is engaged in domestic oil and gas exploration, production and marketing along the Gulf Coast (both onshore and offshore), in California, and in the Mid-Continent and Rocky Mountain regions.

The Columbia Gas System Inc. is one of the nation's largest natural gas systems. Subsidiary companies are engaged in the exploration, production, purchase, storage, transmission and distribution of natural gas. Columbia serves, directly or indirectly, more than 8 million customers in 17 states and the District of Columbia.

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-30- 2456

#90338p9890 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Columbia Real Estate Investments, Inc. (AMEX: CIV) today announced the declaration of a dividend of $0.23 per share, payable on Dec. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 14. This dividend represents the results of the company's operations for the three-month period ending Nov. 30, 1990.

Columbia Real Estate Investments, Inc. is a real estate investment trust which invests in residential mortgages and other mortgage derivative products. It

also has issued collateralized mortgage obligations (CMOs) through a special purpose subsidiary.

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-30- 879

#90338p9891 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

CYPRESS, CA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Long awaited shipments of the new 1991 3000GT grand touring sports car entered Mitsubishi Motors' dealerships this past month, contribution more than 550 units of the 12,958 total vehicles sold during November. Total year-to-date sales reached 176,690 units representing a 31 percent increase from a year earlier.

While the automotive industry is down as a whole, Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America expects to reach a total of 189,000 by year-end - a 24 percent increase over calendar year 1989. According to Kevin Ormes, vice president of sales, the company predicts even stronger sales for next year.

"The coming year will provide four new product introductions, all emphasizing Mitsubishi's affordable technology and philosophy of active safety," said Ormes.

The Diamante, a luxury performance sedan, is scheduled for a spring introduction and is Mitsubishi's first entry in the burgeoning luxury car segment of the American market.

The company plans to also introduce an all-new Montero sport/utility vehicle, as well as two light recreational vehicles later in the year, a five-passenger model and a larger seven-passenger model, each with distinctive styling.

Passenger car sales for the month of November reached 11,171 units and included record-breaking Montero sales of 2,206 units. The domestically built Eclipse continued to provide strong sales for the month, with year-to-date figures reaching 46,073 units and marking a 61 percent increase over a year earlier.

Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc., Cypress, was established in 1981 by Mitsubishi Motors Corp., Tokyo, and markets a full line of subcompacts, compacts, sport coupes, light trucks and sport/utility vehicles.

	Nov. '90 Month/YTD	Nov. '89 Month/YTD	Pct. Change Month/YTD
Total passenger Car sales	11,171/150,399	11,309/107,346	-1/+40
Total truck sales	1,787/26,291	1,733/27,077	+3/-3
Total vehicle sales	12,958/176,690	13,042/134,423	-0.6/+31

(a) - Above sales include domestic totals

Total domestic sales	3,754/46,073	3,305/28,635	+14/+61

CONTACT: Debbie Stearn for Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc., 1-800-233-MMSA or (in California) 1-800-828-MMSA.

-30- 2524

#90338p9892 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

RARITAN, N.J. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to questions, Advanced Care Products, a division of Ortho Pharmaceutical Corporation, a Johnson & Johnson (NYSE: JNJ) company, announced today that it is awaiting approval by the FDA of its application to make Monistat(R) 7 (miconazole nitrate 2 percent) available without a prescription.

Monistat is the leading product prescribed by physicians to cure vulvovaginal candidiasis, or yeast infections, which affects more than 13.6 million women each year in the U.S. Last year more than half (59 percent) of all prescriptions written to treat vaginal yeast infections were for Monistat, which is prescribed four times more frequently than any other manufacturer's brand.

"Although it is our policy not to speculate on the timing of FDA approvals, we are satisfied with the progress of the Monistat application at the agency," said Peter Gonze, vice president, marketing. "We expect Monistat 7 to be the primary choice in the OTC arena, as it has been as a prescription product."

Monistat was recommended for availability without a prescription by an FDA advisory committee on June 15. The committee agreed in a unanimous vote that "vulvovaginal candidiasis can be safely and adequately self-treated by the consumer." The committee recommended that labeling of OTC vaginal antifungals should caution against use by women who are experiencing their first vaginal yeast infection, as well as by women who have experienced more than four yeast infections in the past year.

CONTACT: Rich Salem, 201-218-6136, or Tracey Stenko, 201-218-6132, both of Ortho Pharmaceutical

-30- 1821

#90338p9893 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Weatherford International Inc. (AMEX: WII) announced that its board of directors has engaged Howard, Weil, Labouisse, Friedrichs Inc. to assist the board in determining and evaluating strategies to enhance the value of the company for its shareholders.

The company emphasized that it had no present proposals relating to the company, and there was no assurance that any particular strategy would be

adopted.

Robert K. Moses Jr., chairman of the board of Weatherford, stated that the board believed that a study of the long-term future of the company and strategies for enhancing shareholder value should be undertaken at this time.

Weatherford is an international diversified energy service and manufacturing company that provides technical services and manufactures and markets specialty products and equipment used in oil and gas exploration and development.

CONTACT: Eugene L. Butler of Weatherford, 713-439-9400

-30- 1130
#90338p9894 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
MELVILLE, N.Y. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Allen Group Inc. (NYSE: ALN) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.4375 per share on the company's $1.75 convertible exchangeable preferred stock, Series A. This dividend is payable Feb. 15, 1991, to stockholders of record Jan. 31, 1991.

The Allen Group Inc. is a manufacturer and marketer of automotive products, including automotive test equipment, automated manufacturing equipment, truck components and mobile communications antennas and accessories.

CONTACT: Robert A. Youdelman of The Allen Group, 516-293-5500

-30- 762
#90338p9900 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
DETROIT (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors corporate and divisional displays at the 1991 North American International Auto Show (NAIAS) will demonstrate the company's resolve in "putting quality on the road," according to GM President Lloyd E. Reuss.

"In just two years, the North American International Auto Show has established itself as one of the world's best," Reuss said. "Our 1991 exhibit plans, and those of other domestic and foreign automakers, should further increase its prominence." Reuss released these details of GM's participation in the Detroit show, Jan. 12-20:

- Nine new GM concept and special show vehicles and eight new production models will be on display, many for the first time anywhere.
- Chevrolet, Pontiac, Oldsmobile, Buick, Cadillac and GMC Truck divisions, along with Saturn Corporation, will display 196 vehicles, including some 1992 models. GM's total exhibit space for 1991 will be 159,000 square feet, an increase of more than 10 percent from 1990.

- A corporate exhibit will highlight how GM is "putting quality on the road" and its technological capability to develop totally new vehicles for tomorrow's environment.

A major feature of the GM exhibit will be the Impact, an electric car that GM intends to produce. The Impact, Reuss said, will be driven around a track within the exhibit - a first for an auto show. Other highlights of the GM exhibit include:

- Solar-powered vehicles, developed by University of Michigan, Western Washington University and the University of Maryland, that finished in the top three positions in the GM-sponsored 1990 Sunrayce USA.

These vehicles, sponsored by GM, also finished among the top seven entries in the recently concluded 1990 World Solar Challenge in Australia. The inaugural race three years ago was won by the GM Sunraycer, which still holds the record for fastest time;

- A unique simulation program that lets showgoers feel as if they are actually road testing GM cars and trucks.

"The GM lineup of cars and trucks that visitors will see at the show," Reuss said, "represents a continuation of our commitment since the mid-1980s to design and engineer vehicles to dramatically improve quality and answer customer demand for reliability and durability.

"These cars and trucks are built with new technology and new production methods in new and refurbished plants by many of the most dedicated workers in the world."

CONTACT: Charles C. Licari of General Motors, (313) 556-6910.

-30- 2722

#90338p9902 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI, (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Penn Central Corporation (NYSE: PC) announced that it has entered into a definitive agreement with American Financial Corporation ("AFC") for the previously announced purchase by Penn Central of AFC's non-standard automobile insurance group (the "NSA Group") for $335 million, subject to certain closing adjustments. As previously announced the purchase price is also subject to further modification in 1995, based on actual 1991-94 pre-tax earnings of this business, by a reduction of up to $20 million or an increase of up to $40 million, in each case plus interest.

Under the terms of the transaction, all non-investment grade securities and real estate interests, all equity securities (other than approximately 900,000 shares of Chiquita Brands International, Inc.) and certain other assets will be removed from the investment portfolios of the NSA Group prior to closing

and replaced with cash and marketable securities from Penn Central. As a result, the cash to be paid by Penn Central to AFC in connection with the transaction will be reduced to an amount currently estimated at $105 million.

Completion of the transaction is subject to certain conditions, including receipt of required regulatory approvals. A year-end closing is anticipated.

Penn Central operates businesses primarily in the areas of industrial manufacturing, defense services, insurance and energy.

CONTACT: Robert M. Burton of Penn Central Corporation, 513-579-6618

-30- 1685

#90338p9906 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Browning-Ferris Industries Inc. (NYSE: BFI) today declared an increase in the corporation's regular quarterly cash dividend on common stock and established the date for the company's Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

The cash dividend of 17 cents per common share, payable Jan. 4, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 21, 1990, was declared at the board's quarterly meeting. It represents an indicated annual rate of 68 cents per common share, up from the prior indicated annual rate of 64 cents per common share.

The Board of Directors also established that the company's 1991 Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be March 6, 1991, 2:00 p.m., at The Westchase Hilton, Houston. Stockholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 4, 1991 will be entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting.

Browning-Ferris Industries Inc. is one of the largest publicly-held companies engaged in providing waste services. Subsidiaries and affiliates collect, transport, treat and dispose of commercial, residential and municipal solid waste and industrial wastes. BFI subsidiaries are also involved in recycling, resource recovery facilities, medical waste services, portable restroom services, and municipal and commercial sweeping operations.

CONTACT: Fletcher Thorne-Thomsen Jr. of Browning-Ferris Industries Inc., 713-870-8100

-30- 1572

#90338p9908 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MORRIS TOWNSHIP, NJ (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Bellcore has developed experimental software that takes the paper out of paperwork. The new information networking system computerizes the entire process of handling business forms - selecting the appropriate form, filling it out, touting it for approvals and even signing it.

Bellcore researcher Kamran Rafieyan unveiled the SuperForms system in a paper presented today at GlobeCom'90 in San Diego, and announced plans to convert the laboratory version into a practical system, initially for Bellcore's internal use.

"Forms produced electronically are a more reliable and more efficient way to handle internal company business," said co-researcher Yaocov Yacobi. "Electronic forms offer many features and conveniences that paper forms don't have, especially in the area of privacy and security," he said.

For example, a system like SuperForms can selectively unveil sections of a document to each reviewer without necessarily having them see it in its entirety, he noted.

Though some commercial software allows forms to be created on desktop computers, they can't be electronically annotated or signed. In addition, most lack security measures to prevent unauthorized access.

Bellcore's SuperForms software relies on modern encryption techniques to insure that forms - or parts of forms - are seen only by authorized recipients.

Users can be issued tamper-resistant smart cards that contain all necessary information (public and secret keys) for encryption and authentication. According to project manager Richard Graveman, a user can "sign" a form by using the "smart card" to apply the secret half of two-part cryptographic key before passing the form along to the next "signer."

This "marks" the form with a readily verifiable and forgery-proof "digital signature." Once a form has been signed, any attempt to alter the contents would render the signature invalid.

Bellcore's system currently runs on a multimedia workstation, but future users will not need such sophisticated equipment. The software takes advantage of scanning and image-processing techniques to recreate realistic blank electronic forms from paper copies, including logo and letterhead.

Its "user-centered" design features error checking, "help" menus, and automated spreadsheet-like calculations, as well as automatic routing and tracking. It can also be programmed to send a reminder when action on a form is due.

CONTACT: Barbara Kaufman, (201) 740-4324, or Mike Giovia, (201) 740-4287, both of Bellcore.

-30- 2777
#90338p9912 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARIETTA, PA. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Donegal Group Inc. (NASDAQ: DGIC) today announced that Donegal Mutual Insurance Company intends to purchase up to an additional 25,000 shares of Donegal Group Inc.'s common stock from time to time at then prevailing market prices.

Donald H. Nikolaus, president and chief executive officer, said: "The management of Donegal Mutual believes that at current prices the common stock of Donegal Group Inc. represents an attractive and prudent investment for the mutual company."

Donegal Group Inc. is a regional insurance holding company headquartered in Pennsylvania, which engages in the property and casualty insurance business primarily through an intercompany pooling agreement with Donegal Mutual Insurance Company. Donegal Mutual Insurance Company was established in 1889.

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-30- 1058

#90338p9913 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors dealers in the United States today reported the following vehicle sales:

	Period Nov. 21-30		Month Nov. 1-30		Calendar Year(a) Jan. 1-Nov. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989 Total
Vehicles	97,051	127,056	332,631	340,438	4,637,684	4,809,137
Percent Change Per S/D	-23.6	---	-2.3	---	-3.6	---
Total Cars	66,895	82,545	218,519	217,347	3,085,546	3,221,052
Percent Change Per S/D	-19.0	---	+0.5	---	-4.2	---
Total Trucks	30,156	44,511	114,112	123,091	1,552,138	1,588,085
Percent Change Per S/D	-32.2	---	-7.3	---	-2.3	---

Division	Period Nov. 21-30		Month Nov. 1-30		Calendar Year Jan. 1-Nov. 30	
Total Vehicles	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989
Chevrolet	45,375	62,362	171,676	176,642	2,455,863	2,497,953
Pontiac	13,385	15,170	41,518	41,002	624,852	640,190
Oldsmobile	9,469	14,103	33,716	36,318	497,374	567,439
Buick	14,878	15,892	41,211	37,641	499,714	506,247
Cadillac	6,552	9,209	19,729	22,299	237,132	248,177
Saturn	641	---	641	---	641	---
GMC	6,751	10,320	24,140	26,539	322,108	349,131

Domestic Sales						
Cars	64,792	78,385	211,225	207,272	2,925,485	3,069,561
Lt. Duty Trucks	29,319	43,080	111,243	119,775	1,515,758	1,545,743

NOTE: Eight selling days (S/D) in the Nov. 21-30 period this year and last; 25 selling days for the November period this year and last year.

(a) -- year to year percent change is not adjusted for selling days.

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-30- 2125

#90338p9916 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Daily News today began publication of an afternoon edition highlighted by the use of spot-color printing on the front page. This edition becomes the city's only afternoon newspaper providing New Yorkers with late breaking news, sports and business.

An initial run of 30,000 afternoon papers was prepared for sales by hawkers at commuter locations and high visibility areas throughout Manhattan. Production of the afternoon edition will be expanded in the days ahead to accommodate afternoon sales in other parts of the city. The front page of the new edition is distinguished from other newspapers through the use of Ad Pro 733 Blue.

John Sloan, the paper's vice president, said the new edition is part of The Daily News' commitment to expand services to readers and advertisers alike. "News readers and advertisers can anticipate in the weeks ahead expanded coverage, increased distribution systems, and more editions as part of our commitment to New Yorkers. This Big Blue- afternoon edition is just the start " Sloan said.

The major announcement of an afternoon edition of The Daily News comes one day after the paper began sales in the subway system and on the Long Island Rail Road. Yesterday, a federal district court judge reaffirmed a decision allowing The Daily News to sell newspapers in the New York transit system. So far, the hawker program has been responsible for sales of more than 200,000 papers daily, in addition to papers sold by the 3,183 retail dealers who now carry The Daily News. The number of dealers carrying The News increased by nearly 40 percent over the course of last week.

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-30- 1901

#90338p9917 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today

reported an increase in its estimated market share for car and truck sales for late November despite a decrease in sales volumes compared to the same period a year ago.

Chrysler increased its domestic car share by 1.3 percentage points to 14.2 percent of the market and increased its total market share by half a point, to 11.2 percent, marking one of its best market penetration performances of the year.

Chrysler's truck share for the period increased to 23.5 percent of the domestic market and 20.9 percent of the total market, its highest since January.

Plymouth Sundance and Laser (up 13 percent), Dodge Shadow (up nine percent), Plymouth Acclaim and Eagle Talon registered the best gains among car nameplates.

	Total Cars			Selling Days	
	1990	1989	Pct. Change	'90	'89
Nov. 21-30	22,245	25,151	-11.6	8	8
Nov. 1-30	66,860	70,554	- 5.2	25	25
Jan. 1-Nov. 30	796,592	959,128	-17.2	282	281
	Domestic Cars				
Nov. 21-30	20,432	22,652	- 9.8		
Nov. 1-30	61,667	63,605	- 3.0		
Jan. 1-Nov. 30	735,936	861,818	-14.9		
	Total Trucks				
Nov. 21-30	21,375	28,695	-25.5		
Nov. 1-30	59,275	74,922	-20.9		
Jan. 1-Nov. 30	778,311	906,925	-14.5		
	Domestic Trucks				
Nov. 21-30	21,113	27,674	-23.7		
Nov. 1-30	58,536	72,153	-18.9		
Jan. 1-Nov. 30	766,135	870,449	-12.3		
	Total Vehicles				
Nov. 21-30	43,620	53,846	-19.0		
Nov. 1-30	126,135	145,476	-13.3		
Jan. 1-Nov. 30	1,574,903	1,866,053	-15.9		

All changes are computed on a daily rate basis.

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-30- 2444
#90338p9920 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
LIBERTY CORNER, N.J. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Blessings Corporation (AMEX: BCO) today announced it has declared a quarterly dividend of 16 1/2 cents per share on common stock, payable March 1, 1991 to shareholders of record Feb. 1, 1991.

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#90338p9924 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
VALDESE, NC (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - "Due to worsening economic conditions and continuing softening in the retail market, we now feel that the net profits for the fourth quarter of 1990 and the total year of 1990 could be slightly below 1989 earnings levels. We continue to expect a profitable year ... ," said William F. Karnbach, President & CEO of ALBA-WALDENSIAN, INC. (AMEX: AWS).

Alba Waldensian earned a net profit of $1,650,117 for the fiscal year 1989. The Company has earned $1,162,395 during the first 9 months of 1990 versus $899,501 for the same 9 month period in 1989.

ALBA-WALDENSIAN, INC. manufactures women's and men's hosiery, women's intimate apparel, and medical specialty products. The Company presently employs approximately 1,000 employees in five locations in Valdese, N.C. and in Chilhowie, Va.

CONTACT: Van C. Irwin of ALBA-WALDENSIAN, INC., 704-874-2191.

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ANN ARBOR, MI. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Gelman Sciences (AMEX: GSC) reported that net sales for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 increased 7 percent to $18.8 million from $17.6 million for the same period last year. Net earnings for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 rose 56 percent to $305,000 or $.13 per share from $196,000, or $.08 per share for the same period one year prior.

U.S. sales were up 6 percent in spite of a sluggish economy and continued weakness in some of the key markets they serve. International sales improved, particularly in Europe. However, sales of the company's Australian subsidiary declined 25 percent from the prior year because of the effect of the depressed national economy in that country. The company also reported that overall gross margins were negatively affected as it responded to stronger price competition and, to a lesser extent, by the company's product mix.

During the first quarter the company concluded a major contract with the China National Pharmaceutical Foreign Trade Corporation, worth $5.2 million of anticipated revenues over seven years, to sell them the technology, equipment and membrane product to produce microfiltration cartridges for pharmaceutical applications in China.

Chairman and chief executive officer, Charles Gelman, said he is looking ahead to the balance of fiscal 1991 with cautious optimism and reaffirmed the company's commitment to controlled growth and sustained profitability.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Chicago Title and Trust Co. today announced the signing of a definitive agreement under which it will purchase the title insurance subsidiaries of Westwood Equities Corp., holding company for Los Angeles-based Ticor Title Insurance Companies.

Completion of the transaction is subject to various regulatory requirements and other conditions. The transaction is anticipated to close in the first quarter of 1991.

"This acquisition is an excellent strategic fit that will benefit customers, policyholders, employees and agents of both companies. Ticor has been an important organization in our industry for 97 years, and we will be proud to add it to our family of companies," said Richard P. Toft, president and chief executive officer of Chicago Title and Trust Co.

Chicago Title and Trust Co. is a wholly owned subsidiary of New York-based Alleghany Corp. (NYSE: Y). It is the parent of Chicago Title Insurance Co. and Security Union Title Insurance Co. (formerly Safeco Title Insurance Co.). Chicago Title and Trust Co. and its subsidiaries have total consolidated assets of $1 billion.

The Ticor Title Insurance Companies include Ticor Title Insurance Co. of California, Ticor Title Insurance Co. and Ticor Title Guarantee Co. (New York).

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BURBANK, CA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Two Lockheed team YF-22 Advanced Tactical

Fighter prototypes are currently demonstrating their capabilities in the skies over Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., as part of an intensive flight test program. "Aircraft performance has been outstanding," said Sherm Mullin, Lockheed vice president and general manager, team program office.

"These airplanes have done everything we've asked of them," Mullin said. "Supersonic performance has been especially impressive. Well over an hour of supersonic time has already been logged, including 22 minutes on a single flight.

"The YF-22 has supercruised (without afterburner) a number of times and both prototypes have achieved top speeds in excess of Mach 1.5. We've also operated supersonically at altitudes up to 50,000 feet," he said.

Many other major milestones have also been accomplished. In demonstrations of thrust vectoring the revolutionary system has performed as predicted. A series of satisfactory weapons bay acoustic tests led to the successful launch of an AIM-9 missile by the number two prototype on Nov. 28. Both jets have achieved full tanker qualification and have accomplished numerous air refuelings.

Other flight test program accomplishments pointed out by Mullin include a variety of performance and handling qualities tests. "We've performed engine airstarts, single engine dings and 20 knot crosswind landings," he said, adding that by mid-November all of the Lockheed team and Air Force test pilots had flown the YF-22.

Noting that YF-22 flight testing is proceeding at an exceptional pace, Mullin said, "The rate at which we are generating sorties and the amount of data we have collected are unprecedented for a program of this magnitude, and we are continuing to expand the envelope every flying day."

Through Dec. 1 the two prototypes had flown a total of 38 test flights, posting 40.7 hours of combined flight time. Since going through a planned layup in early November to perform modifications necessary for the next round of flight testing, the two aircraft have flown almost every day except for Sundays and Thanksgiving, logging 13 hours for ten flights in seven flying days.

Lockheed's number one prototype made its first flight on Sept. 29. Equipped with General Electric YF120 engines it has since compiled 27.7 hours over 25 flights.

The team's second prototype, powered by Pratt & Whitney F119 engines, is the primary demonstrator for weapons by characteristics. Two days after its first flight on Oct. 30, it proved its readiness by making four test flights on two days. Since then it has built up 13 hours of flying time over 13 sorties.

Lockheed's YF-22 represents one of two proposed designs in the U.S. Air

Force's Advanced Tactical Fighter competition. Lockheed, teamed with Boeing and General Dynamics, designed, built and is now flight testing its YF-22 prototypes under a $697-million Air Force contract.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Boston Technology (NASDAQ: BSTN) and Southwestern Bell (NYSE: SBC) announced today that they have signed a General Purchase Agreement whereby Southwestern Bell can purchase Boston Technology's CO ACCESS voice processing platforms.

The systems will be used to offer residential and small business voice messaging services, and other voice processing applications to customers of Southwestern Bell. Southwestern Bell will also use the systems for various internal messaging applications. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company uses Boston Technology platforms to serve its large business customers in selected cities in its five state area covering Arkansas, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

"The signing of this General Purchase Agreement will pave the way for a more accelerated offering of messaging services by Southwestern Bell," said Greg Carr, president of Boston Technology. "We are confident that these messaging services will provide tremendous value to Southwestern Bell customers and we are excited to be a participant."

Boston Technology develops, manufactures and markets enhanced voice processing platforms, primarily to Regional Bell Operating Companies, cellular providers, and independent telephone companies.

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TORRANCE, CA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Toyota Motor Sales (TMS), U.S.A., Inc. today announced November car sales of 58,476 units.

Truck sales for the month were 12,803. Combined monthly car and truck sales were 71,279, compared to 72,819 a year ago.

November domestic car sales totaled 23,291 (10,163 Corollas and 13,128 Camrys) versus 21,058 (7,526 Corollas and 13,532 Camrys) during the same period last year.

"Despite the unsettled situation in the Persian Gulf, sales of Toyota vehicles

continue on an upward trend," said Bob McCurry, TMS executive vice president. "In fact, sales calendar-year-to-date already have exceeded total sales for 1989."

McCurry added, "meeting demand, especially for Toyota's core models, is a priority. The construction of a new manufacturing plant in Georgetown, Ky., will help us achieve this goal."

Lexus, Toyota's luxury division, reported a best-ever November sales totaling 5,847, up 54.3 percent compared to November '89. Sales of 3,983 LS 400 models -- a one-month record -- were up 45.5 percent from a year ago, while ES 250 sales were up 77.6 percent.

TOYOTA MOTOR SALES, U.S.A. INC.

	Month-to-Date		Year-to-Date	
	Nov. 1990	Nov. 1989	Nov. 1990	Nov. 1989
Toyota Import Cars	35,185	37,125	423,524	455,171
Lexus cars (a)	5,847	3,787	56,792	11,757
North American-built cars	23,291	21,058	320,572	189,070
Total Toyota cars	64,323	61,970	800,888	655,998
Toyota Trucks	12,803	14,636	168,500	205,040
Total Toyota	77,126	76,606	969,388	861,038

(a) Lexus model breakdown

	Month-to-Date	
	Nov. 1990	Nov. 1989
LS 400	3,983	2,738
ES 250	1,864	1,049

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North American-built cars	8,238	9,577

CONTACT: Mindy Geller or Christi Abe of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., 213-618-5204; or 213-618-5297.

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TORRANCE, CALIF. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) today announced that the company met its dBASE Cross- Platform Challenge at Comdex '90 by successfully porting over 40 customer-submitted, DOS-based dBASE applications to VMS, UNIX and Macintosh operating systems on the fly at the booth. Participants included both U.S. and international developers, users and corporate MIS managers who brought their existing dBASE applications and data to the Ashton-Tate booth to port to the platform of their choice.

"The participants seemed to be most impressed by the true portability that dBASE IV for VMS, Sun and 386 UNIX offer," said Dave Proctor, executive vice president of Ashton-Tate product development. "To be able to run an existing dBASE DOS-originated application on a VAX VMS System, Sun or 386 UNIX workstation or Macintosh computer, without modifying or re-compiling code, opens numerous avenues for growth to our existing customer base."

Customer Reaction "We were surprised at the high degree of reliability and ease of transportability," said Robert Davies, president and chief executive officer of SBT Corp., who ported the company's DOS-based dBASE IV business accounting program to a Sun Microsystems SPARCstation. "Our application performed well beyond our expectations on the Sun workstation -- the operating speed was amazing," Davies added.

"With dBASE IV, I can stay in my own comfortable DOS world and still develop programs for VMS, Sun and MAC machines," said Charles Mohler, president of Charles Mohler Consulting, who ported an address sorting program to a VAXstation 3100. "The demonstration at Comdex proved that code I write for a DOS machine can be seamlessly -- even painlessly -- ported to a variety of other platforms," Mohler added.

The dBASE IV Cross-Platform Challenge Continues Because it received such positive reaction from the participants, the company has extended the Cross-Platform Challenge through the end of the year.

Anyone interested in having a current dBASE application ported from DOS to a VMS, UNIX or Macintosh platform should contact the company's Advance Consulting Group at 213-583-6116, by no later than Dec. 17, 1990.

Participants will be asked to send their application of no more than 5,000 lines of pure dBASE Code and data on either a 5-1/4 inch or 3-1/2 inch disk to Ashton-Tate, noting the target platform. Participants should also include additional blank media compatible with the target environment so a copy of the ported application can be returned to them.

Headquartered in Torrance, Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software. The company's major product categories include database management systems, word processing, integrated decision support, spreadsheets, graphics and software utilities. Ashton-Tate has international operations in most countries around the world, with products available in 20 languages in more than 50 countries. The company also offers a comprehensive line of training and support services for individuals, corporations and government agencies.

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#90338p9938 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - When Mary Puckett became a Southern Bell operator in 1970, technology hadn't made many inroads in the telephone monopoly. "The equipment was very basic," she says. "We still used cordboards to process calls and had to clock the conversations manually. Efficiency wasn't a big concern when you were using a stopwatch to keep track of how long the customer was talking."

Computer terminals eventually replaced the cordboards, and, with the advent of computerized identification systems, operators could throw away their stopwatches and concentrate on connecting customers. And as the telecommunications revolution took hold, another thing changed -- Southern Bell ceased to be a monopoly. Competition flooded the telecommunications industry after the AT&T breakup in the early 80s. Suddenly Southern Bell wasn't the only company in the marketplace.

But strapped by regulations that capped its return on equity at a specified level, the company still operated as a monopoly with little motiviation to be efficient. "The company was like a freighter that was sluggish to changes in directions," says Tom Lohman, Southern Bell operations manager-comptrollers. "In a pure competitive system, the potential for profits is almost unlimited and so is the incentive to make them. But when your return on equity is capped, there really is little point in struggling to bring out new services or being more efficient, because you don't get to reap the rewards after enduring the headaches associated with changes. The normal human reaction is, 'Why bother?' There is no motivation to take the risks involved in reducing costs and developing new products more quickly when your rate of return is capped. There really is little motivation to find creative ways to increase production when all benefits are taken away by a cap on earning."

That motivation finally arrived in late 1988 in the form of incentive regulation. Under the new regulation, the cap on return on equity is 16 percent. And the company was allowed to keep 40 percent of the earnings above 14 percent until cap is reached.

"Before Incentive Regulation (under traditional regulation, a range of 12.2 percent to 14.2 percent would be allowed around a rate setting point of 13.2 percent), Southern Bell couldn't keep one cent after a rate of return of 14.2 percent was reached. So, there was no tangible reason to try for a higher return," says Lohman. "Incentive Regulation builds a corporate culture that says, 'I have to be the best.' We are now motivated to introduce new products and lower costs even when our jobs may be harder because of the changes, we know we must maintain innovation quality and efficiency to strengthen the customer base."

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KALAMAZOO, MI (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) and Biopure Corporation today announced an agreement under which Upjohn will acquire sales and marketing rights to bovine hemoglobin-derived blood substitute products being developed by Biopure for human and animal use.

Hemopure, the potential product for human use, is awaiting U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval to begin human clinical testing. Biopure has a pending patent application for the bovine-derived hemoglobin product and its method for manufacturing. Clinical trials for Oxyglobin, for animal use, have already commenced.

Under terms of the agreement, Upjohn will receive world sales and marketing rights (except for Central and South America, and Western Europe) for all blood-related products of Biopure. Upjohn will make an initial payment of $25 million and subsequent payments based on development milestones could total an additional $154 million. The payments will be used to purchase securities convertible into a minority interest in Biopure common stock. The agreement also includes a profit sharing formula.

Upjohn will be responsible for and obligated to pay the costs of preclinical and clinical development of Hemopure through final regulatory approval. Biopure will be responsible for manufacturing development. Upjohn will also provide technical and management oversight in connection with the operation of Biopure's manufacturing plants. As a biological product, there are a number of manufacturing and distribution issues that will need to be resolved.

Commenting on the agreement, Upjohn Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer Theodore Cooper said: "We are excited about the opportunity to participate with Biopure in the development of these blood-substitute products. They will help alleviate blood shortages and offer advantages in the areas of blood transfusion, where human blood may pose a serious risk. Our broad experience in the areas of clinical development, manufacturing and marketing of human and animal health care products will help exploit the potential opportunities for these products."

Boston-based Biopure is a privately owned, development-stage pharmaceutical manufacturing company co-founded in 1984 by Carl Rausch and David N. (Jim) Judelson, vice chairman. Its primary activity is development of a blood substitute and blood-related products extracted from bovine hemoglobin.

The Upjohn Company is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care products, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

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HARAHAN, LA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Wiener Enterprises Inc. (AMEX: WPB) is pleased to announce that W. Wayne Foster, formerly executive vice president and chief operating officer of the corporation, has been appointed as president and chief executive officer, effective as of Nov. 1. Foster succeeds Martin E. Lewis, who resigned from these positions effective as of Nov. 1. Foster has been with Wiener Enterprises Inc. since August 1988.

Wiener Enterprises Inc. is engaged in the operation of specialty retail stores. The corporation's shoe and apparel division, consisting of 109 stores, conducts business primarily under the trade name of "Shoe Town." The corporation also operates a division of full-line building materials retail stores under the trade name of "Builderama."

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BOSTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Biopure Corporation, a development- stage pharmaceutical manufacturing company based here, has named former U.S. Surgeon General Dr. C. Everett Koop chairman of its scientific advisory committee.

Prior to his tenure as U.S. Surgeon General during the Reagan administration, Dr. Koop was an innovative pediatric surgeon well-known in international circles. He has long been interested in shock hemorrhage, plasma substitutes, protein metabolism and total intravenous nutrition. During World War II, Dr. Koop was commissioned by the U.S. Office of Scientific Research and Development to study gelatin as a plasma substitute at the University of Pennsylvania, where he was awarded the degree of Doctor of Science in Medicine.

Biopure's primary activity is the patent-pending development of blood substitutes and blood-related products extracted from bovine hemoglobin -- Hemopure(R), which is awaiting FDA approval for human clinical trials, and Oxyglobin(R), for animal use, which is undergoing clinical trials.

Biopure Corporation, as separately announced today, has entered into an agreement with the Upjohn Company under which Upjohn will acquire sales and marketing rights for much of the world to the bovine hemoglobin-derived blood substitute products being developed by Biopure for human and animal use. A senior executive of Upjohn will be represented on the five-member Biopure board together with Rausch; David N. Judelson, vice chairman of Biopure;

Joachim Schnell, vice chairman of B. Braun Melsungen AG, the German pharmaceutical manufacturer which is the licensee for the Hemopure product in Europe; and Dr. Koop.

In addition to the blood substitute and related products, the developments from Biopure's proprietary large scale ultra purification separation technology is being applied through its licensee Boerhinger Mannheim in the area of cephalosporin drug manufacturing. The company's ongoing research and development activities encompass ultrapurification of other significant health care products in the areas of biological therapy.

Biopure Corp. is a privately owned company co-founded in 1984 by Rausch and Judelson (former president and co-founder of Gulf+Western Industries).

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PLANO, TX (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas Instruments Inc. (NYSE: TXN) and Palo Alto-based Micro Focus Inc. have completed an agreement authorizing TI to sell Micro Focus COBOL/2(TM) in conjunction with the Information Engineering Facility(TM) (IEF(TM)) for OS/2(R) product sales. The IEF is TI's integrated computer-aided software engineering (CASE) product.

"TI and Micro Focus(R) are providing sophisticated workstation solutions to many of the same progressive system developers. This agreement will keep our basic technologies synchronized, the sales and support logistics will be simpler and the future directions of both vendors will remain more closely aligned," said Greg Mann, IEF Marketing Manager.

The IEF Planning, Analysis, and Design Toolsets are used to build business system specifications. An OS/2-based IEF Construction Toolset can then generate:

- COBOL or C Source code - Application logic - Screens
- Diagram trace code (if selected) for use by the IEF Diagram Testing Tool SQL source
- DBM Data Manipulation Language (DML)
- DBM Data Definition Language (DDL)
- Command file that controls source code compilation, link-edit, bind and installation

The COBOL/2 compiler is used by the IEF Implementation Toolset, which runs in OS/2 environments, to compile COBOL code generated by the IEF Construction Toolset.

COBOL/2 is transparently executed by the Implementation Toolset that performs the compile, link-edit, bind, and installation of the business systems. Systems can then be executed on the OS/2 workstation with or without the use of the IEF Diagram Testing Tool.

If diagram testing (trace) is selected at generation time then IEF developed diagrams can be viewed (rather than source code) at run time to examine executing systems. Any desired changes can be made in a separate OS/2 window, and then the system (or selected portion of the system) can be regenerated and retested.

Many IEF generated systems have been built to interface with existing, non-IEF generated, COBOL systems. Micro Focus COBOL/2 and the popular Micro Focus COBOL/2 Workbench(TM) tools are used by many organizations to manage these more traditional COBOL systems and the interfaces to them.

"Micro Focus products will help IEF customers couple IEF and non-IEF built applications and thoroughly test systems on the workstation before implementing them on the target platform," said Scott Whalen, Vice President of Sales for Micro Focus. "Micro Focus believes the partnership will be good for customers and is the beginning of a productive relationship between Micro Focus and TI."

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RESTON, VA. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Lucas Aerospace Inc. officially opened its new North American Headquarters in Reston in a ceremony today.

The new building, designed specifically for the company at 11180 Sunrise Valley Drive, will house more than 80 Lucas Aerospace and Lucas Industries employees. The new facility was built by Quadrangle Development of Reston.

Najeeb Halaby, former head of Pan American Airlines, administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration under the Kennedy administration, and current chairman and chief executive officer of Dulles Access Rapid Transit Inc., was the keynote speaker. Halaby remarked on the contribution Lucas Aerospace and other aerospace firms are making to the growth and economic vitality of Northern Virginia, and specifically to the "Dulles Technology Corridor."

In his remarks at the opening, Denis Magee, president of Lucas Aerospace Inc., said: "This new headquarters facility is really just one small part of our investment in North America. Within the last year we opened major new manufacturing facilities in Park City, Utah, and Aurora, Ohio, and are planning in early 1991 to open an advanced technology engineering center in the Northeast. We are also continuing to invest significant resources in our

manufacturing operations in Utica, N.Y.; City of Industry, Calif.; and Jamestown, N.D. Of course, we are very proud of our new headquarters here, but our manufacturing facilities throughout the U.S. are the driving force of our organization."

Lucas Aerospace is part of Lucas Industries plc. With sales of more than $4.3 billion, of which $1 billion is generated by sales in North America, Lucas Industries plc has international interests in aerospace, automotive and industrial markets throughout the world.

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FRANKENMUTH, MI (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Frankenmuth Old German Style Bock Beer is being released today for the 1990-91 winter season. Trucks are leaving the brewery with its precious cargo for major markets in Michigan and surrounding states, assuring availability on store shelves for the holiday season.

Frankenmuth Bock received the Silver Medal at the Great American Beer Festival in Denver in 1989. "It has won many friends and is ideally suited for the holidays and the cooler winter months," said Frankenmuth President Ferdinand M. (Fred) Schumacher.

Made like the real Bock beer in the Old German tradition, Frankenmuth Brewery's brewmaster, Fred Scheer, uses six different malts to come up with a full-bodied, yet smooth-tasting Bock beer. "I challenge any brewery in the country to make a better-tasting Bock beer than Frankenmuth's," said Scheer.

Frankenmuth's Bock beer will be available from now until April 1991 when the season ends. By making its Bock beer seasonal, Frankenmuth Brewery continues a tradition started by monasteries in the Middle Ages.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Vaalco Energy, Inc., a Houston-based concern engaged in the production and exploration of hydrocarbons, is pleased to announce that the drilling of its West Linapacan-1 well located offshore Palawan Island in the Republic of the Philippines has reached its total depth of 6,101 feet.

Several zones of interest have been encountered in the interval between 5,380 and 6,000 feet. Testing will begin in the most prospective zones the latter

part of this week and results will be announced upon completion.

Additionally, Vaalco announces that the Philippine subsidiary of the company commenced a scheduled lifting of approximately 200,000 barrels of crude oil on December 4, 1990.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bristol- Myers Squibb Company (NYSE: BMY) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.60 per share on the $.10 par value common stock of the corporation, an increase of 13 percent over previous quarterly payments of $.53 per share. The dividend will be payable Feb. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 4, 1991. The 1991 indicated annual payment of $2.40 represents a 13 percent increase over the $2.12 paid in 1990. With this 1991 payment, Bristol-Myers Squibb dividends will have increased at a compound growth rate of 18 percent over the past five years and over the past ten years.

Directors also declared a dividend of $.50 per share on the $2.00 convertible preferred stock of the corporation, payable March 1, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Feb. 1, 1991.

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PEAPACK, NJ (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Fedders Corporation (NYSE: FJQ) today reported it plans to complete the previously announced acquisition of Emerson Quiet Kool no later than Jan. 18, 1991. The purchase price, based on the Nov. 2 balance sheet of Emerson, will be $56 million in cash plus the assumption of certain current liabilities. The price, which reflects primarily the purchase of working capital, will be adjusted at closing to reflect cash flow since Nov. 2. The transaction has received clearance under the Hart-Scott- Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act and is subject to approval of the seller's existing lenders, who must release liens on the assets.

Emerson Quiet Kool is the room air conditioner division of the Jepson Corporation, a subsidiary of Great American Management and Investment, Inc. (NASDAQ: GAMI).

Sal Giordano, Jr., chief executive officer of Fedders Corporation, commented that "the marriage of Emerson Quiet Kool and Fedders will create a provider of high-value, low-cost room air conditioners able to compete successfully against imports over the long term."

Both Fedders and Emerson Quiet Kool have manufactured and marketed quality room air conditioners for more than 40 years.

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BUFFALO, NY (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Ecology and Environment, Inc. (AMEX: EEI) today declared a six-month dividend of 10 cents per share, payable on Jan. 4, 1991, to holders of both Class A and Class B common stock on record as of Dec. 12, 1990. The dividend represents an annual increase of 11 percent from the previous year and the fifth increase since the company became public in March 1987.

Ecology and Environment, Inc., the firm of international specialists in the environment, is headquartered in Lancaster, N.Y., a suburb of Buffalo, and has offices in 25 other cities from coast to coast. The company provides a wide range of environmental services, predominantly in the areas of hazardous waste investigation and remedial design.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Consilium Inc. (NASDAQ: CSIM), the leading supplier of integrated factory floor management software, announced today that revenue for its fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990, was $32,427,000, a 40 percent increase over revenue of $23,118,000 for the previous fiscal year. Net income for fiscal 1990 increased 60 percent to $5,644,000, or $.82 per share, from $3,528,000, or $.59 per share, for the previous year.

For its fourth quarter, Consilium reported revenue of $9,020,000, up 38 percent from $6,519,000 in the like period last year. Net income for the quarter was $1,620,000, or $.23 per share, an increase of 36 percent from net income of $1,187,000, or $.17 per share, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

"We are delighted with the strong financial performance the company achieved in fiscal 1990, including major increases in both our revenue and net income," said Thomas Tomasetti, president and chief executive officer. "We had record sales and significantly increased our international business. In addition, we had several key sales to major multinational corporations.

International business in fiscal year 1990 accounted for 36 percent of revenue compared with 25 percent for the previous year. Consilium's sales to Asia, accounting for 20 percent of this year's revenue, were primarily to

electronics and semiconductor companies while the company's European sales, accounting for 16 percent of revenue, were spread throughout a diverse range of industries, including textiles, pharmaceuticals, electronics and appliances. In response to its growing European business, Consilium opened a sales office in France, bringing the number of international offices and distributors to 10.

Fourth qaurter highlights include the hiring of Peter Rieman as vice president of corporate development and Joseph Seidler as vice president of marketing. Subsequent to the close of the quarter, Consilium introduced a major new product, FlowStream(TM). Developed in cooperation with Digital Equipment Corp. (NYSE: DEC), FlowStream is factory and plant floor management software designed to run in manufacturing environments not served by the company's current product offerings.

Consilium Inc. is the leading supplier of integrated factory and plant floor management software and services. With its FlowStream and WorkStream product lines, Consilium offers a suite of comprehensive factory and plant management solutions that fulfill multiple operations requirements and allow manufacturers to achieve World Class Manufacturing. The company is headquartered in Mountain View.

WorkStream is a registered trademark and FlowStream is a trademark of Consilium Inc.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Witco Corporation (NYSE: WIT) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 43 cents per share on its common stock and a dividend of 66.25 cents per share on its preferred stock.

Both dividends are payable Jan. 3, 1991, to stockholders of record Dec. 17, 1990. This represents the 131st consecutive quarterly dividend paid since the company went public in 1958.

Witco manufactures specialty chemical and petroleum products and engineered materials with annual sales of approximately $1.6 billion.

CONTACT: C.R. Soderlind, group vice president, (212) 605-3813, or S.L. Levy, (212) 605-3815, both of Witco.

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#90338p9969 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Cedar Point Field Trust reported today that it has received a proposal to sell the remaining income-producing asset of the trust to John W. McGowan for $79,919.70.

The proposal will be submitted to a meeting of holders of certificates of beneficial interest in the trust scheduled for Dec. 28, 1990. In the event the sale is approved and consummated, the sale proceeds will be distributed to the holders of the outstanding 799,197 shares of beneficial interest and the trust will then be terminated.

CONTACT: Nancy J. Pugsley of Texas Commerce Bank, N.A., as trustee, (713) 236-4424.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - BP Exploration, Inc. and Barker-Patrinely Group, Inc., jointly announced plans today for BP Plaza, a 20-story, 555,000-square-foot office facility to be located in West Houston's "Energy Corridor" near Interstate 10 and Highway 6.

The new building, scheduled for completion by the end of 1992, will be the new home of BP Exploration's approximately 1,000 employees who work out of the company's present offices at the 5151 Sage Plaza, in the Galleria/Post Oak area. BP Exploration will occupy 430,000 square feet in the new building, leaving approximately 125,000 square feet of net rentable area to be leased to third parties.

The project will be a development of a Texas limited partnership, which includes Barker-Patrinely Group, Inc., a national real estate company based in Houston which will serve as managing partner and developer of BP Plaza; and limited partner and major tenant BP Exploration, Inc., a subsidiary of British Petroleum Company, PLC.

BP Plaza will be located on a nine-acre site in WestLake Park, a prestigious development in West Houston with approximately two million square feet of occupied space. Earlier this year, BP Exploration secured an option to purchase the land, and since July has worked with Barker-Patrinely Group on development plans. According to Bill Sears of BP Exploration, the company studied several alternatives before deciding on BP Plaza as its new home.

Ironically, BP Plaza marks the first Houston development for Barker-Patrinely Group, a company which is headquartered in the city but has concentrated its efforts elsewhere. Founded in 1983 by Michael D. Barker and C. Dean Patrinely who formerly worked together at Gerald D. Hines Interests, Barker-Patrinely Group has achieved national stature with major projects in California and Florida.

BP Plaza also utilizes the internationally renowned talents of former Houston resident Rick Keating, who is now design partner with the Los Angeles architectural firm of Keating, Mann, Jernigan and Rottet. The partners and principals of the architectural firm have practiced together for 12-15 years, and previously headed the Houston and Los Angeles offices of Skidmore Owings & Merrill, during which time they were responsible for the design and documentation of more than 40 million square feet of projects.

CONTACT: Jim Murphy of Bruce Rubin Associates, Inc., 305-448-7450, for Barker-Patrinely Group, Inc.

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#90338p9973 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLANO, TX (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas Instruments (NYSE: TXN) today announced the planned release of an integrated, full function investment management software system for the Insurance and Mutual Fund marketplace.

The MAXIMIS(R) system offers substantial advantage over conventional accounting packages in that it is the first to be developed using CASE technology and it offers a full function, mainframe, relational data base solution for investment management.

The MAXIMIS system integrates the functionality needed for investment accounting, regulatory reporting, portfolio management, and investment operations.

The included function has been defined and tested operationally in the IMIS predecessor product which was acquired by TI in June of 1990 from the Business Information Services unit of Control Data Corp.

IMIS is successfully installed at many leading insurance companies. Initially, the MAXIMIS software will mirror the latest release of IMIS from a functional point of view.

Since MAXIMIS has been designed using the Information Engineering Facility(TM) (IEF(TM)) product (TI's CASE technology), it will be available for execution on the target computing environments supported by the IEF product line, and as such substantially broadens the options available to customers.

"With MAXIMIS there is now a function rich product offered in a relational data base environment and developed using state of the art CASE technology (the IEF) which will serve customers' changing needs for years to come," said Jim Smith, Director of Financial Software for TI's Advanced Information Management Division (AIM).

The IEF CASE tool provides the productivity needed for meeting the goal of continued enhancement of MAXIMIS to support new investment instruments and

strategies and support regulatory requirements in the insurance industry.

The MAXIMIS relational environment will provide a superior data repository of investment information for use throughout a user company. First, because the information structures are easy to understand and it is easy to produce reports utilizing SQL-based utility languages, users will get more value from the information, and the quality of the data will be enhanced.

In addition, integration of function or interface to other systems requiring access to investment information will be greatly facilitated. Finally, the relational table driven design of MAXIMIS will help it to stay current with new investment instruments and methods with fewer disruptive program changes.

CONTACT: Bob Bledsoe of Texas Instruments, (214) 997-3857.

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#90338p9977 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Alva O. Way, chairman of the board of IBJ Schroder Bank and Trust Company, today announced the appointment of Donald H. McCree, Jr., as president and chief executive officer of IBJ Schroder Bank, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

McCree joins IBJ Schroder following a 30-year career with Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company. He most recently served as group executive in charge of Manufacturers Hanover's financial institutions and distribution. As chief executive officer of IBJ Schroder, he will oversee the bank's expanding operations in such major areas as corporate banking, trust and private banking.

During his tenure with Manufacturers Hanover, McCree served as Officer-in-Charge of the bank's London Branch, later holding the positions of executive vice president, North American Division, and sector executive vice president, corporate banking. As part of his responsibilities, he directed the bank's North American middle market lending effort and managed the bank's private banking and trust business in North America.

CONTACT: Takeo Otsubo, senior vice president of IBJ Schroder Bank and Trust Company, 212-858-2898

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#90338p9978 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The Oversight Board of the Reaslution Trust Corporation today announced the appointment of Philip F. Searle, former chairman of SunBanks Inc. in Orlando, Fla., as chairman of its national advisory board.

Prior to being named national chairman, Searle served as chairman of the

Atlanta-based region 2 advisory board.

Searle currently serves as board chairman of SunBank/Naples N.A. in Naples, Fla., a consultant to SunBanks Inc. in Orlando, and a director of SunBank/Sarasota County, N.A.

The Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA) mandated that the Oversight Board establish one national and at least six regional advisory boards to provide advice to the Oversight Board and the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) on policies and programs for the sale of real estate assets of the nation's failed thrifts.

The national board meets in Washington at least four times a year to advise the Oversight Board on the status of the real estate sales efforts of the RTC in each region. As national chairman, Searle will serve a two year term.

The national board is comprised of the national chairman and the six regional advisory board chairmen. The regional advisory boards are headquartered in Atlanta, Dallas, Denver, Kansas City, Los Angeles and New York.

The Oversight Board, established by FIRREA in 1989, formulates the policy, approves the funding, and provides the general oversight of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

CONTACT: Art Siddon or Felisa Neuringer, both of the Oversight Board, Resolution Trust Corporation, 202-786-9672

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#90338p9980 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Corroon & Black Corporation announced today the appointment of John Douglas Strohl as president and chief executive officer of Corroon & Black of New Jersey, Inc., a subsidiary located in Parsippany.

Strohl's appointment, which takes effect immediately, was announced by James M. Corroon, director of the Northeast Region of Corroon & Black's Brokerage Services Group.

In making the announcement, Corroon commented: "We are pleased to welcome Doug to Corroon & Black, and we look forward to enjoying the value-added benefits his skills and experience will bring to the clients, prospects, and employees of Corroon & Black of New Jersey."

Strohl, who has nearly 20 years of insurance industry experience, served most recently as manager of the account management department in an office of another international insurance brokerage firm. He has held numerous other positions, and has worked as an account executive, casualty underwriter, and

an underwriting supervisor. Strohl has technical expertise with complex casualty accounts, and expertise with other insurance lines, including property, marine, aviation and life. He graduated from Davidson College in Davidson, N.C.

Corroon & Black Corporation, now an operating division of Willis Corroon plc, is headquartered in New York City. Corroon & Black is one of the world's largest full-service insurance intermediaries, providing insurance brokerage, risk management services, reinsurance brokerage, and employee benefits, compensation, and actuarial consulting to individuals, local governments, professions, business and industry. It has offices across the United States and affiliated offices throughout the world. Willis Corroon (ADRs traded on NYSE & PSE: WCG) traces its origins to 1828, with the establishment in London of Henry Willis & Company. Its Corroon & Black division was founded in 1905 in New York City.

CONTACT: Mary E. Florey of Corroon & Black, 212-363-4100; or Maripat Sexton of Hill and Knowlton, Inc., 212-697-5600, for Corroon & Black

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#90338p9984 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

RENO, NV (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Porsche Cars North America Inc., distributor of Porsche Sports Cars, reported sales and dealer stock figures for the month of November 1990.

Model	Nov. '90	Nov. '89	Year to Date '90	Year to Date '89	Dealer Stock
924/944 (a)	4	119	236	1,374	2
944 S2 Coupe and Cabriolet	149	116	2,207	558	472
944 Turbo (a)	4	66	471	732	5
911 Carrera 2 Coupe Targa and Cabriolet	301	233	3,344	3,460	932
911 Turbo (a)	---	30	8	1,035	---
911 Carrera 4 Coupe Targa and Cabriolet	130	144	1,519	871	374
928 Series	46	89	553	789	159
Total:	634	797	8,338	8,819	1,944

(a) - 924S was discontinued after the 1988 model year; 944 and 944 Turbo discontinued after 1989 model year. The 911 model was discontinued after model year 1989.

CONTACT: Martha McKinley of Porsche Cars North America Inc., (702) 348-3113.

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#90338p9985 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
ALLENTOWN, PA. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Steve Furst, president of Hess's Department Stores, Allentown, Pa., has announced the appointment of Frank Galik, Jr. as vice president, director of stores for Hess's southern regions.

Galik will be responsible for the merchandising, profitability, operations and personnel of the 37 Hess's locations throughout Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia, Georgia, Indiana and North Carolina. He will supervise five corporate regional directors and 37 store management teams.

Galik is only third individual to be named corporate director of stores in Hess's 93-year history.

Furst said, "Frank Galik brings a great deal of valuable experience to this position. He will lend additional guidance and direction to Hess's expansion plans for our southern markets."

Prior to joining Hess's, Galik was senior vice president and director of stores for Millers, Knoxville, Tenn. (purchased by Hess's in 1987), and executive vice president and director of stores for Joske's, Dallas. He also held management positions with M. O'Neil Company (May Company), Marriott Corporation and Gimbel Brothers. He was also executive vice president/general merchandise manager and director of stores for World Bazaar, East Pointe, Ga.

Galik attended Pennsylvania State University and earned his bachelor of arts degree from the University of Pittsburgh. He and his wife, Marlene, have two children, a daughter, 14 and a son, 19. They reside in Atlanta and will be relocated to Knoxville.

Hess's is a wholly owned subsidiary of Crown American Corporation, one of the nation's leading real estate developers, which is based in Johnstown, Pa. Hess's has 75 locations throughout Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and Indiana.

CONTACT: Wayne Holben of Hess's, 215-821-5221

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#90338p9987 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire
BLUE BELL, PA (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Nutri/System Inc. today announced the appointment of Albert J. DiMarco as president and chief operating officer effective immediately.

DiMarco will be in charge of all day-to-day operations and functions of Nutri/System Inc. A. Donald McCulloch Jr. assumes the position of chairman

and chief executive officer.

"It is a great pleasure for me to announce the return of Al DiMarco," said McCulloch. "His appointment allows me to focus more on the long-term planning for our business."

DiMarco previously was one of the original partners to participate in the leveraged buy-out of Nutri/System Inc. in August 1986. He served in various capacities with the company during his tenure from 1985 to 1989.

"I have a great personal interest in this company. I look forward to contributing to its future success. I'm delighted to be returning as the president and chief operating officer."

DiMarco left the company in 1989 and has been developing new business ventures in the past year.

Prior to joining Nutri/System in 1985, DiMarco served as president of Chaps, Ralph Lauren, a division of Warnaco Inc.

Nutri/System is a privately held company serving more than 200,000 clients weekly and more than 1,800 centers throughout the United States, Canada, Australia and the United Kingdom.

CONTACT: Thym S. Smith of Nutri/System, 215-940-3385

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#90338p9989 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Thai Fund Inc. (NYSE: TTF) has set Dec. 31, 1990, as the record date and Jan. 30, 1991, as the payable date for the fund's annual distribution.

The amount of the dividend will be declared in a meeting of the board of directors scheduled for mid-December.

CONTACT: Maureen Lawler of The Thai Fund, 215-648-6116

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#90338p9992 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - TIS Mortgage Investment Co. (NYSE: TIS) today declared a dividend of 32 cents per share for the quarter ending Dec. 31 1990, payable on Jan. 14, 1991, to stockholders of record as of Dec. 31, 1990. This is the company's fifth consecutive quarterly dividend of 32 cents per share. In the first three quarters of 1989, the company declared and paid dividends of 30 cents per share.

As a real estate investment trust (REIT), TIS Mortgage Investment Co.'s dividends are based on taxable income calculated under the Internal Revenue Code and not on book income which is computed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Taxable income in each quarter of 1989 and 1990 exceeded the amount of dividends declared and paid.

TIS Mortgage Investment Co. is a San Francisco-based REIT which invests in various mortgage assets, including Residual Interests in Collateralized Mortgage Obligation (CMO) Bonds. The company commenced operations on Aug. 26, 1988.

CONTACT: John E. Castello of TIS Mortgage, 415-393-8000; or Maury Healy of Healy & Co., 415-546-6166, for TIS Mortgage

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#90338p9996 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, CT. (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Citytrust Bancorp, Inc. (NYSE: CYT) has elected Norman M. Steere to the position of president, chief executive officer and a director of Citytrust. He was also elected president, chief executive officer and a director of the holding company, Citytrust Bancorp, Inc., subject to final regulatory approval by the Federal Reserve Bank.

Steere, 59 years old, takes over the responsibilities of chief executive officer from George F. Taylor, who remains chairman of the board of Citytrust Bancorp, Inc. and Citytrust.

Steere was vice chairman and a director of Mellon Bank Corporation, a $30 billion bank holding company in Pittsburgh, and its subsidiary, Mellon Bank, N.A., when he retired in late 1987. He served with the Mellon organization for 30 years.

In making the announcement, Taylor said, "Steere is an outstanding banking executive with a superior record of achievement in all aspects of the business. He brings to Citytrust the broad experience and leadership capabilities that will help restore our organization to financial health. We are very fortunate that he has chosen to come out of retirement to accept this challenge."

During four years as a vice chairman of Mellon Bank, the 21st largest bank in the nation, Steere was directly responsible for $13 billion in assets and 1,800 employees and more than $480 million in revenues. He oversaw the bank's corporate banking, cash management services, data processing centers, international banking, leasing activities and the economics office.

Prior to his promotion to vice chairman, he served as executive vice president of corporate banking for six years. In that capacity, he was responsible for

more than a hundred commercial lending officers and correspondent bankers, while developing one of the country's best-known cash management and date service centers with a staff of more than 400.

Earlier in his career at Mellon Bank, he served as vice president- western division head; vice president-international banking in Buenos Aires, Argentina; and vice president and manager, Gateway Branch in Pittsburgh's business district.

Steere earned a B.A. degree from Brown University and an M.B.A. degree from Harvard Business School. Steere and his wife, Blyth, currently live in the Pittsburgh area but will relocate to Connecticut. The have three grown children.

Citytrust Bancorp, Inc. is an independent Connecticut bank holding company. Its subsidiary, Citytrust, serves major markets throughout Connecticut through 46 retail branches and 10 commercial lending offices.

CONTACT: Elizabeth T. Doetzel, senior vice president of Citytrust Bancorp, 203-384-5317

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#90338p9999 12/04/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 4) PR NEWSWIRE - Disturbed with appearances of unclear authority at Metro Airport following the collision Monday (Dec. 3) of two jet aircraft which took eight lives, Wayne County Commission Chairman Arthur B. Blackwell II has appointed a special committee to investigate lines of administrative responsibility.

Blackwell, with himself as chairman of the new committee, has named Commissioner Susan L. Hubbard as vice chair, along with Commissioners Kay Beard, David P. Cavanagh and Kevin F. Kelley.

"My concern is not only that the tragedy occurred, but how emergency measures were carried out, and under whose direction, after it happened," said Blackwell.

"We need to know if an absence of authority or administrative confusion contributed to the cause of the incident, and if more direct authority could have prevented it all together or made rescue operations more effective," Blackwell added.

Blackwell said the recent resignation of former airport director Richard B. Jamison leaves uncertain who is the senior airport official, although former deputy director Robert C. Braun serves as acting director.

"Considering that sources other than Braun were disseminating supposedly

official information about the crash, apparently some of it erroneous, we truly don't know who was technically in charge at the time of the accident and afterward," said Blackwell.

"For example," Blackwell pointed out, "there were conflicting statements made regarding authority to close the airport, whether it is the airport administration or the FAA. At least that much should be clear and definite in the new hierarchy, and the public deserves the comfort of that knowledge."

Blackwell said the committee will consider it essential to know if Jamison has been officially replaced, and who will replace Braun if he is being permanently advanced. Besides overall evaluation of airport operations, said Blackwell, the committee will examine adequacy of the official airport rules and regulations currently being revised.

Blackwell said the committee will also carefully evaluate new requests for emergency operations equipment and assess what might have been provided years ago to lessen danger at the airport. He said he has granted "blanket authority" for airport officials to enter into contracts for repair, construction and equipment until the airport cleanup is complete.

CONTACT: Leito Durley of Wayne County Commission, (313) 224-0993.

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#90338u0067 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 4) UPI - Iraq's Saddam Hussein reportedly says he'll withdraw his troops from Kuwait in return for a guarantee of NO Western attack. In addition London's Sky Television News says Saddam wants to keep an oil field that Iraqi troops captured in the invasion.

President Bush heads for Argentina Wednesday on the third leg of his five-nation South American tour. Bush was in Uruguay Tuesday where he vowed that the standoff in the Persian Gulf- quote- ''is not going to go on forever.''

In Buenos Aires, the situation returned to normal Tuesday, one day after the government crushed an 18-hour military revolt by dissident officers. Authorities say 19 people, including six civilians, died in the day-long fighting.

Miami authorities also report calm has returned to a Hispanic neighborhood hours after it was ravaged by hundreds of rioters upset over the acquittal of six police officers in the beating death of a Puerto Rican drug dealer.

A New York jury continues to deliberate the fate of two teen-agers in the rape and attempted murder of a Central Park jogger. Kevin Richardson and Kharey Wise are accused of being part of a gang of 30 youths that randomly beat and

robbed joggers in the park on April 19th, 1989.

New York authorities say violence appears to be dwindling in the 41- day-old Daily News strike. Officials say litigation is taking precedence over violence in the walkout... as the newspaper was hawked without incident for the second day at subway and rail stations.

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#90338u0132 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 4) UPI - Usually it's the San Francisco 49ers' offense that comes up with the big plays, but Monday night their defense starred in a 7-3 triumph over the New York Giants in the lowest-scoring game in the NFL this season.

The defense yielded but three points on a pair of goal-line stands, held the the Giants to just four-of-14 third-down conversions, pressured New York into going to its passing game and forced three fumbles.

Quarterback Phil Simms completed just 14-of-32 passes for 153 yards and the Giants' ground game picked up a mere 75.

''This is probably the best defensive game we've ever played since I've been with the 49ers,'' said head coach George Seifert, who formerly was the club's defensive coordinator. ''I think the running game was the key, as was the defense and the special teams. I think that we ran the ball at times very effectively.''

While the defense was throttling the Giants, Joe Montana and the 49ers' offense suffered through its second sub-par week. The top-ranked offense in the NFC gained but 240 yards in total offense and misfired on a 43-yard Mike Cofer field goal.

However, the club's struggling ground game managed to gain 88 yards and helped chew up 3:19 of the game's final 3:55. John Taylor, who has not returned punts since early in the year, returned five punts for 63 yards in a game where every yard counted.

Montana found his touch when he needed it, directing yet another magical two-minute drive to give San Francsico its winning 7-3 margin at the half. Montana - who was 12-of-29 for 152 yards and was not sacked in the contest - hit Roger Craig with a 31-yard pass on a delay out of the backfield and then followed two plays later with a 23-yard scoring strike to a sliding John Taylor, who beat cornerback Mark Collins.

The Giants had earlier taken a 3-0 lead on a 20-yard Matt Bahr field goal, but never could gain any momentum as Charles Haley sparked the emotional 49er defense with five tackles, one and a half sacks and forced two fumbles.

''I put my prepared pep talk in my pocket,'' said Seifert. ''And let the players take it from there.''

The Giants lost despite getting three favorable bounces. A Phil Simms pass bounced off Rodney Hampton's hands and Stephen Baker caught it on the carom for a first down at the San Francisco 3. Simms also had two of his three fumbles picked up by Ottis Anderson, who advanced them for gains of 2 and 20 yards.

''Fortunately those were the main gains they got, off those fumbles,'' Seifert said.''And other than that, we were able to contain them.''

New York Coach Bill Parcells, who saw his team drop two straight, said the Giants had their chances but couldn't capitalize.

''We had our chances, we had our shot,'' said Parcells. ''We just didn't get it done.''

New York's evening came down to a crucial drive in the fourth quarter. The Giants marched from their 35 to a first down on the San Francisco 9. But three consecutive Simms passes fell incomplete.

On fourth down, Parcells decided to go for the win instead of settling for a field goal and a 7-6 deficit. On the play, Lionel Manuel had broken free in the end zone, but cornerback Darryl Pollard managed to deflect the ball.

The game was played in front of 66,092 fans, the largest crowd in Candlestick Park history.

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#90338u0143 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 4) UPI - At least eight people are dead and 21 others injured in the collision of two Northwest Airlines jets on a fog-shrouded runway at Detroit's airport. Authorities say a Boeing 727 traveling at about 140 miles an hour on a takeoff roll clipped a D-C-9 that had strayed onto the runway, causing the second airplane to burst into flames.

The Supreme Court Monday strengthened the protection of criminal suspects against self-incrimination. The justices ruled that once an accused asks to have a lawyer present during questioning that right remains in effect indefinitely. It says once a suspect invokes his so- called Miranda rights, he cannot later be forced into confession without a lawyer present.

Hawaii Democratic Senator Daniel Inouye went to bat Monday for the so-called Keating Five senators who are accused of influence-peddling. Inouye condemned the allegations as ''ridiculous'' and said- quoting- ''I have never found them

to be wanting in honesty or integrity. They are men of unimpeachable character.''

Democrats Alan Cranston of California, Dennis DeConcini of Arizona, John Glenn of Ohio and Donald Riegle of Michigan and Republican John McCain of Arizona are accused of improperly pressuring federal bank regulators to benefit savings and loan kingpin Charles Keating. Keating gave the lawmakers one-point-three Million dollars in political contributions.

In New York, prosecutors say seven young men have been indicted in the beating death of a homeless man during a Halloween night of violence. Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau says the attack on Ward's Island deomonstrated ''a complete and total disregard for human life.''

Most Americans think they eat right and see NO reason to change. That's according to two government nutritionists who say their preliminary data suggest that perceptions and reality don't always match. Although studies suggest Americans eat too much fat... about 37 percent instead of the recommended 30 percent or less.

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#90338u0147 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 4) UPI - Arab opposition to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait solidified with the foreign ministers of three major Arab states agreeing at a conference in Cairo to step up diplomatic efforts to dislodge Saddam Hussein's army from Kuwait before a U.N. Jan. 15 deadline.

The Arab initiative was agreed to Monday, the same day Yemeni Vice President Ali Salem al Baid, whose country supports Iraq in the crisis, flew to the Jordanian capital Amman for talks on the 4-month-old standoff, Amman Radio reported.

Persian Gulf states have labeled Jordan's King Hussein, who on Monday met in Amman with a delegation from the exiled Kuwaiti government, an aopologist for Saddam because of the Hashemite monarch's refusal to condemn Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

Cairo newspapers said Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Syria hope they can cause a rift between Saddam and his handful of Arab allies, thus persuading him of the futility of remaining in the oil-rich emirate after Jan. 15, a date set by the United Nations to let diplomatic efforts work before resorting to force.

''The foreign ministers ... have agreed to step up diplomatic efforts to persuade Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that peace can best be achieved by his withdrawal from Kuwait,'' the official said.

He said the efforts are crucial to avert force in the area.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency quoted a government official as saying the talks, which were to resume Tuesday in the presence of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, are intended to contain the crisis before it explodes.

''The vital interests of the Arab nation require the employment of its strategic, economic, military and human potential to adopt a unified action to deal with the crisis, and pull the Arab nation out of its current plight,'' MENA quoted the unnamed government official as saying.

''The three Arab capitals do not want a war against Iraq, but the restoration of an Arab land to its legitimate owners,'' the official said.

''They will step up contacts with (pro-Iraqi) states such as Yemen, Tunisia, Jordan, Sudan and the Palestine Liberation Organization to persuade Saddam that honorable withdrawal is better than dishonorable defeat in a war,'' the official said.

The meeting came as an Iraqi official boasted that any military attempt to free Kuwait would be a catastrophe for the attackers and their friends.

That threat came two days after Saddam accepted a U.S. proposal for last-minute talks on the crisis before the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline and a day after it tested a Soviet-designed Scud missile.

In Washington, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney told a Senate hearing on U.S. policy in the gulf that U.N.-imposed economic sanctions against Iraq will not force him to withdraw from Kuwait.

In Kuala Lumpur, Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad said Monday Malaysia and other Islamic countries are prepared to mediate to help resolve the crisis.

Iraq's official INA news agency quoted Information Minister Latif Nsayef Jassim as saying any allied attack on Iraq to liberate Kuwait ''would be a catastrophe to the aggressing forces and the parties that invited them,'' a reference to such Arab states as Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.

Egypt and Syria have sent troops to the gulf to serve with the U.S.- led multinational force deployed there since the invasion of Kuwait.

Syria has sent some 4,000 troops to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates to counter any further Iraqi aggression, and Syrian Defense Minister Mustafa Tlass was quoted over the weekend as saying his country is ready to send an another 500,000 troops if necessary.

Syria and Iraq are ruled by rival wings of the Baath Arab Socialist party and Syrian President Hafez Assad considers Saddam his main enemy in the Arab world.

Egypt has dispatched up to 20,000 troops to the gulf and is the third largest contributor after the United States and Britain, which is boosting the size of its force to 30,000.

Cheney told a Senate committee he does not think economic sanctions alone will work against Saddam and told congressional critics who want delays that stalling could be dangerous.

Cheney told the Senate Armed Services Committee that time can weaken the international coalition arrayed against Iraq and that further damage could occur to politically and economically fragile nations, permitting Iraq to bolster its military strength.

As for sanctions, he said: ''My personal view is that given the nature of that regime, given Saddam Hussein's brutality to his own people, given his very tight control over that society, his ability to allocate resources for the military, their ability to produce their own food, basically, inside, that he can ride them out.

''Those who would have us rely indefinitely on economic sanctions alone need to face the possibility that they will fail to achieve our aims. Such a failure will have very serious consequence and those consequences must also be faced,'' said Cheney.

''My personal view is that it is far better to deal with him now, while the coalition is intact, while we have the United Nations behind us, while we have some 26 other nations assembled with military forces in the gulf, than it will be for us to deal with him five or 10 years from now when the members of the coalition have gone their disparate ways and when Saddam has become a better armed and more threatening regional superpower than he is at present,'' said Cheney.

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(DEC. 4) UPI - Federal investigators are trying to determine how one Northwest Airlines jetliner got on the takeoff runway in the path of another at Detroit airport. The mix-up caused a deadly collision in heavy fog between a Boeing 727 and a D-C-9. At least eight people were killed and 21 others were injured. National Transportation Safety Board investigator Robert Benzon said- ''It's too early to tell what happened, but there were two planes on the runway at the same time and that's not supposed do happen.''

Miami authorities say they've managed to bring the situation under control after hundreds of angry youths rioted through the city's Woodwind section. Police say the youths were enraged at the acquittal of six policemen in the beating death of a Puerto Rican drug dealer. They rampaged for four hours in the predominately Puerto Rican neighborhood north of downtown... burning

buildings and cars and throwing rocks and bottles. There were NO reports of injuries.

Arab leaders are solidifying their opposition to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. The foreign ministers of three major Arab states Monday agreed at a conference in Cairo to step up diplomatic efforts to dislodge Saddam Hussein's army from Kuwait before a U-N January 15th deadline. Cairo newspapers reported that Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Syria hope they can cause a rift between Saddam and his handful of Arab allies, thus persuading him of the futility of staying in Kuwait until he's forced out.

President Bush heads to Uruguay Tuesday on the second leg of his five-nation tour of South America. During his visit to Brazil, a rebellion by military officers in Argentina distracted some of the symbolic focus of Bush's swing to promote political and economic change. U-S officials tried to discount the significance of the fighting in Argentina between government and dissident troops. But White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater acknowledged it appeared intended to embarrass Argentine President Carlos Menem with Bush due in Buenos Aires on Wednesday.

A noisy protest by farmers over subsidy cuts and deep U-S-Europe discord over agriculture marred Monday's opening of the final week of world trade talks in Brussels. Tens of thousands of farmers, mostly from Europe, set fire to tires and rubbish, uprooted street signs and parking meters and broke windows at a European Parliament building to protest the trade talks. Police used tear gas and a water cannon to control the farmers. The farmers said their livelihoods are threatened by plans to cut agriculture supports.

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Baseball

Atlanta - Signed free agent third baseman Terry Pendleton to 4-year contract.

Baltimore - Released pitcher Mike Smith.

Chicago (AL) - Named Buddy Bell director of minor league instruction.

Chicago (NL) - Released pitcher Kevin Coffman.

Detroit - Signed free agent pitcher Bill Gullickson to 2-year contract.

Los Angeles - Signed pitcher Kevin Gross to 3-year contract; announced catcher Luis Lopez has been designated for assignment.

Milwaukee - Named Lamar Johnson coach at Denver of International League (AAA); announced Dave Huppert and Paul Lindblad will return as manager and pitching coach at El Paso of Texas League (AA), Chris Bando and Mitch Zwolensky will return as manager and pitching coach at Stockton of California League (A) and Rob Derkson will return as manager at Beloit of Midwest League (A); named Dave Rajsich pitching coach at Beloit and Harry Dunlop manager and scout at Helena of Pioneer League (A).

Montreal - Signed pitcher Dennis Martinez to 3-year contract; released outfielder Rolando Roomes and pitcher Dale Mohorcic.

Oakland - Signed outfielder Willie Wilson.

New York (AL) - Traded outfielder Oscar Azocar to San Diego for a player to be named.

Philadelphia - Named Bill Dancy manager, Floyd Rayford coach, Jim Wright pitching coach and Barney Nugent trainer at Scranton-Wilkes/Barre of International League (AAA), Don McCormack manager, Al Leboeuf coach, John Martin pitching coach and Mark Ruffner trainer at Reading of Eastern League (AA), Lee Elia manager, Ramon Henderson coach, Darold Knowles pitching coach and Craig Strobel trainer at Clearwater of Florida State League (A), Mel Roberts manager, Buzz Capra pitching coach and Brent Leiby trainer at Spartanburg of South Atlantic League (A), Ramon Aviles Manager, Tony Scott coach and Carlos Arroyo pitching coach at Batavia of New York-Penn League (A), Roly Dearmas manager, Glenn Brummer coach and Eli Grba pitching coach at Martinsville of Appalachian League (A); named Don Blasingame minor league field coordinator, Jim Fregosi pitching coach and special assignments instructor, George Culver roving pitching instructor, Dave Cash roving infield instructor, Glenn Brummer roving catching instructor, Jerry Martin roving hitting instructor and Hap Hudson rehabilitation trainer.

San Francisco - Signed outfielder Willie McGee to 4-year contract.

Basketball

Cedar Rapids (CBA) - Signed forward Roy Marble; waived center Damon Vance.

Cleveland - Signed guard Darnell Valentine.

Miami - Released center Alan Ogg from injured reserve.

NBA - Fined New Jersey's Jack Haley ($2, 500) and Derrick Coleman ($1,000) and Orlando's Mark Acres ($500) for Dec. 1 fight; fined Washington's Harvey Grant ($4, 000), Greg Foster ($2,000), Darrell Walker ($1,500) and Detroit's Joe Dumars ($1,000), Dennis Rodman ($1,000), Mark Aguirre ($500), William Bedford ($500) and James Edwards ($500) for Dec. 1 fight.

New York - Fired Coach Stu Jackson and replaced him with John MacLeod.

San Jose (CBA) - Signed guard Kenny Travis; waived guard Marchell Henry.

College

Fordham - Signed basketball coach Nick Macarchuk and football coach Larry Glueck to contract extensions.

Kent State - Named Pete Cordelli football coach.

Northern Michigan - Named Mark Marana football coach.

Vanderbilt - Named Gerry DiNardo football coach.

Football

Detroit - Released linebacker Jimmy Williams.

NY Giants - Activated linebacker Carl Banks from injured list.

Tampa Bay - Fired Coach Ray Perkins and named Richard Williamson interim coach for the rest of season.

Hockey

Edmonton - Announced right wing Igor Viazmikin from Himik Vorskresensk of the Soviet National League will be given a tryout.

Philadelphia - Assigned goaltender Bruce Hoffort and defenseman Darren Rumble to Hershey of American Hockey League.

St. Louis - Assigned defenseman Dominic Lavoie and right wing David Bruce to Peoria of International Hockey League.

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Eastern Conference
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	13	3	.813	-
Philadelphia	11	6	.647	2 1/2
New York	7	8	.467	5 1/2
New Jersey	6	10	.375	7
Miami	5	10	.333	7 1/2

Washington	5	11	.313	8

Central Division

Detroit	13	3	.813	-
Milwaukee	11	4	.687	1
Chicago	10	6	.625	3
Cleveland	9	8	.529	4 1/2
Charlotte	8	8	.500	5
Indiana	6	10	.375	7
Atlanta	4	10	.286	8

Western Conference
Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	9	4	.692	-
Houston	9	7	.562	1 1/2
Utah	9	7	.563	1 1/2
Dallas	6	7	.461	3
Minnesota	5	11	.312	5 1/2
Denver	3	12	.200	7
Orlando	3	13	.188	7 1/2

Pacific Division

Portland	14	1	.933	-
Golden State	11	6	.647	4
Phoenix	8	5	.615	5
LA Lakers	8	5	.615	5
LA Clippers	8	8	.500	6 1/2
Seattle	4	9	.308	9
Sacramento	1	13	.071	12 1/2

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American Conference
East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	10	2	0	.833	342	200
Miami	9	3	0	.750	252	164
Indianapolis	5	7	0	.417	193	250
NY Jets	4	9	0	.308	216	295
New England	1	11	0	.083	151	342

Central

Cincinnati	7	5	0	.583	275	274
Pittsburgh	6	6	0	.500	210	197

Houston	6	6	0	.500	266	229
Cleveland	2	10	0	.167	187	338
West						
Kansas City	8	4	0	.667	283	179
LA Raiders	8	4	0	.667	230	194
Seattle	6	6	0	.500	222	226
San Diego	6	7	0	.462	272	220
Denver	3	9	0	.250	257	303

National Conference

East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
NY Giants	10	2	0	.833	262	148
Philadelphia	7	5	0	.583	305	252
Washington	7	5	0	.583	289	233
Dallas	6	7	0	.462	193	255
Phoenix	4	8	0	.333	192	295
Central						
Chicago	10	2	0	.833	281	197
Minnesota	6	6	0	.500	282	229
Green Bay	6	6	0	.500	227	250
Tampa Bay	5	8	0	.385	210	311
Detroit	4	8	0	.333	270	307
West						
San Francisco	11	1	0	.917	277	182
New Orleans	5	7	0	.417	211	219
LA Rams	5	7	0	.417	285	322
Atlanta	3	9	0	.250	279	308

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Basketball

Orlando at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Seattle at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Denver at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Indiana at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Atlanta at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Detroit at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Dallas at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Hockey
Boston at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Vancouver at NY Islanders, 7:35 p.m.

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(DEC. 4) UPI - Angry youths in Miami's Windwood section burned buildings and cars and threw rocks and bottles last night after the acquittal of six policeman charged in the beating death of a drug dealer. There were NO injuries reported.

At least eight people died and 21 were injured Monday in Detroit when a jet taking off at 140 miles an hour clipped another jet standing still on the runway. The DC-9 on the ground erupted in flames. The other jet landed immediately.

Defense Secretary Cheney told a Senate hearing Monday that sanctions against Iraq will not force a withdrawal from Kuwait. Cheney toldcongressional critics who want delays that stalling could be dangerous.

Aides to President Bush say he still plans to visit Argentina Wednesday, despite a coup attempt. Troops loyal to President Carlos Menem crushed the attempted overthrow. At least eight people died in the uprising.

In Brussels Monday, riot police used tear gas and a water cannon to control farmers who staged a protest at the opening of the final week of world trade talks. The farmers were upset over subsidy cuts.

The shuttle Columbia astronauts took manual control of a troublesome 50 Million dollar shuttle telescope mount Monday. They gathered priceless information about the cosmos while trying to fix the computerized pointing system.

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BULLETS (101)

King 10-21 4-4 24, Grant 3-8 2-2 8, Jones 0-0 0-0 0, Workman, 2-5 0-0 4, Walker 3-10 0-1 6, Hammonds 2-7 5-6 9, English 2-10 0-0 4, Eackles 1-1 1-2 3, Alarie 4-10 1-2 10, Irvin 4-7 8-10 16, Foster 3-6 3-4 9, Ellison 4-6 0-2 8. Totals 38-91 24-33 101.
UTAH (135)

K. Malone 11-15 16-22 38, Toolson 3-5 2-2 9, Eaton 1-2 0-0 2, Stockton 5-8 6-8 16, J. Malone 12-19 4-5 28, Rudd 1-7 4-4 6, Palmer 1-3 1-2 3, Griffith 3-11 0-0 6, Brown 3-5 7-8 13, Bailey 6- 15 2-2 14, Munk 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 46-91 42-53 135.

Washington	20	36	21	24--101
Utah	43	36	27	29--135

Three-point goals-Alarie, Toolson. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Washington 34, Utah 25. Rebounds-Washington 41 (Foster 8), Utah 54 (K. Malone 15). Assists-Washington 22 (Workman, Walker, English 4). Utah 33 (Stockton 15). Technicals-None. A-12,616.

SEATTLE (102)

McKey 8-12 1-2 17, McDaniel 1-10 0-0 2, Cage 4-8 0-0 8, Payton 2-4 0-0 4, Threatt 9-15 2-2 20, Kemp 9-20 1-5 19, Dailey 5-11 0-2 10, McMillan 2-5 1-3 5, Polynice 1-6 3-4 5, Barros 4-8 4-4 12, Meents 0-2 0-0 0, Corzine 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 45- 101 12-22 102.

BOSTON (135)

Bird 4-7 3-3 11, Gamble 5-12 2-2 12, Parish 10- 15 2-2 22, Shaw 5-8 4-4 14, Lewis 6-9 4-4 16, McHale 8-10 2-2 18, Kleine 4-7 2-2 10, Brown 5- 6 0-0 10, Pinckney 2-3 4-4 8, Smith 3-5 0-0 6, Vrankovic 2-2 0-0 4, Popson 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 56-86 23-23 135.

Seattle	25	29	10	38--102
Boston	34	24	28	49--135

Three-point goals-none. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Seattle 19, Boston 17. Rebounds- Seattle 35 (Polynice 9), Boston 50 (Bird 10). Assists-Seattle 22 (Barros 6), Boston 35 (Shaw 9). Technicals-Seattle coach Jones. A- 14,890.

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New Jersey	3	1	0	0	-4
Winnipeg	1	2	1	0	-4

First period-1, New Jersey, MacLean 19 (unassisted), 7:24. 2, New Jersey, Weinrich 3 (Morris, Shanahan) 14:08. 3, Winnipeg, Elynuik 10 (Evans), 15:47. 4 New Jersey, Stastny 8 (Ciger, Daneyko), 1:44. Penalties- Stewart, NJ, major (fighting), 2:48; Donnelly, Wpg, minor-major (fighting), 2:48; Driver, NJ, 19:39.

Second period-5, Winnipeg, McLlwain 8 (Mantha), 5:30. 6, New Jersey, Brown 3 (Driver), 6:20. 7, Winnipeg, Housley 8 (Olczyk, Osborne), 12:58. Penalties- Shanahan, NJ, major (fighting), 13:20; MacDermid, Wpg, major (fighting), 13:20; Morris, NJ, 13:55; Shanahan, NJ, 19:15.

Third period-8, Winnipeg, Olczyk 10 (Olausson, Elynuik), pp, 0:41. Penalties-Donnelly, Wpg, 3:02; Stewart, NJ, major (fighting), 5:30; Cronin, Wpg, major (fighting), 5:30.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 8-12-12-2-34. Winnipeg 12-8-9-2-31.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 0-2. Winnipeg 1-3.

Goaltenders-New Jersey, Burke. Winnipeg, Tabaracci. A-11,758.

Referee-Mike McGeough.

Hartford	1	3	0	-4
Montreal	0	2	0	-2

First period-1, Hartford, Dineen 11 (Evason, Samuelsson) 0:10. Penalty- Corson Mtl, 10:45.

Second period-2, Montreal, Keane 6 (unassisted), 2:56. 3, Hartford, Andersson 2 (Holik, Verbeek), 7:36. 4, Montreal, Corson 5 (Richer, Savard), 10:45. 5, Hartford, Dineen 12 (Evason), 14:38. 6, Hartford, Young 4 (Francis, Crossman), pp, 15:19. Penalties- Young, Har, 4:13; Har bench (served by Picard), 8:42; Schneider, Mtl, 14:56; Picard, Hart, 15:32; Evason, Har, 20:00; Schneider, Mtl 20:00.

Third period-None. Penalties-Krygier, Har, 3:16; Krygier, Har, 7:13; Schneider, Mtl, 7:13; Shaw, Har, 8:25; Richer, Mtl, double minor, 8:25; Crossman, Har, 9:59; Evason, Hart, 14:04; Holik, Har, major- game misconduct (fighting), 17:39; Didcuk, Mtl, minor-major (fighting) 17:39.

Shots on goal-Hartford 11-10-5-26. Montreal 8-12-7-27.

Power-play conversions - Hartford 4-1. Montreal 6-0.

Goalies-Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. Montreal, Roy. A-16,143

Referee-Terry Gregson.

Pittsburgh	4	3	2	-9
New York	1	3	0	-4

First period-1, Pittsburgh, Bourque 7 (Zalapski, Recchi), 1:08. 2, Pittsburgh, Dahlquist 1 (Trottier, J. Mullen), 8:36. 3, New York, Nicholls 10 (Sheppard, Rochefort), 11:22. 4, Pittsburgh, Coffey 10 (Cullen, Recchi), pp, 12:39. 5, Pittsburgh, Cullen 10 (Stevens, Recchi), pp, 14:12. Penalties - Coffey, Pit, double-minor, 3:49; Nicholls, NYR, 11:59; Vial, NYR, 12:24.

Second period-6, New York, Nicholls 11 (Leetch, Sheppard), 0:34. 7, Pittsburgh, Stevens 16 (Stanton, Coffey), 3:24. 8, Pittsburgh, Errey 7 (Jagr), 4:22. 9,

Pittsburgh, J. Mullen 13 (Gilhen, Errey), 6:06. 10, New York, Turcotte 14 (Patrick, Nicholls), pp, 12:01. 11, New York, Patrick 6 (Leetch, B. Mullen), pp, 18:26. Penalties- Bourque, Pit, major (fighting), 8:30; Domi, NYR, 8:30; Domi, NYR, major (fighting), 8:30; Stanton, Pit, 11:40; Dahlquist, Pit, 12:21; Mullen, NYR, 13:31; Cullen, Pit, 17:43.

Third period-12, Pittsburgh, Bourque 8 (Cullen, Recchi), 1:04. 13, Pittsburgh, Bourque 9 (Recchi, Cullen), 11:01. Penalties- Coffey, Pit, 4:16; Dahlquist, Pit, 5:05; Shaw, NYR, 7:20; King, NYR, 12:24; Roberts, Pit, 15:12; Dahlquist, Pit, 15:30.

Shots on goal-Pittsburgh 12-12-12-36. New York 14-8-14-36.

Power-play conversions-Pittsburgh 6-2. New York 9-2.

Goalies-Pittsburgh, Barrasso. New York, Vanbiesbrouck, Richter (2nd per). A-15,161.

Referee-Don Koharski.

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(DEC. 4) UPI - Ranger fans thought they'd have to choose between watching their favorite hockey club in person or the New York Giants and San Francisco 49ers on Monday Night Football.

As things turned out, many were able to do both.

A stinko performance by the Rangers started fans for the exits early in the second period Monday night, and the Pittsburgh Penguins proceeded to a 9-4 rout.

''We needed it for our confidence and we needed it for our morale,'' said John Cullen, Pittsburgh's leading scorer. ''We were getting killed (recently) and our goalies were facing 40 shots every night. Tonight we played good 'D,' killed two 5-on-3's. We just played an overall good game.''

''It just wasn't our night from the first goal,'' New York Coach Roger Neilson said. ''It was above the guys' heads. The first three were tipped in. You can't blame the goalkeeper; that's just the way it went. And we just didn't recover from that misfortune.''

Mark Recchi set up five goals and Phil Bourque scored a hat trick as the Penguins ended a three-game losing streak. Recchi set up three of Pittsburgh's four first-period goals, then helped Bourque complete his hat trick with two third-period assists.

Recchi assisted on Bourque's tip just 68 seconds into the game, triggering the Penguins to only their second win in their last eight games.

New York, overall point leader in the NHL, has lost three of its last four - giving up 24 goals in the process. Ranger goalie John Vanbiesbrouck left after 20 minutes in favor of Mike Richter, who allowed three goals in his first 6:06. Bernie Nicholls scored two goals and an assist for New York.

Pittsburgh lost defenseman Zarley Zalapski - its best plus-minus player - with a second-period concussion. He was admitted to Lenox Hill Hospital with a slight concussion. He was to stay overnight for observation.

The Peguins killed a double-minor in the first period, and 1:11 and 1:42 of two-man disadvantages in the third.

By the way, the fans who left Madison Square Garden couldn't have been too pleased with the football result, either. The Giants lost 7-3.

Whalers 4, Canadiens 2

At Montreal, Kevin Dineen scored two goals, one of them just 10 seconds into the game, leading Hartford. The Whalers scored three times in the middle period, moving into third place in the Adams Division, one point ahead of Buffalo. The crowd was announced at 16,143, but it actually was the smallest attendance of the season due to a storm that was expected to dump 10 inches of snow.

Devils 4, Jets 4

At Winnipeg, Ed Olczyk scored a power-play goal 41 seconds into the third period, completing a rally from a 3-1 deficit. Olczyk skated in front of goalie Sean Burke to deflect Fredrik Oluasson's shot from the point. New Jersey scored on its third, fourth and sixth shots of the game.

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(DEC. 4) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I brings the latest news.

Federal investigators are tryng to find out why two Northwest Airlines jetliners collided at Detroit airport. The collision killed at least eight people and injured 21 others. Authorities say Northwest Boeing 727C-9 that had strayed onto the runway in heavy fog.

In Miami, the acquittal of six police officers in the beating death of a Puerto Rican drug dealer touched off a riot in the city's Windwood section, north of downtown. Authorities say hundreds of angry youths rampaged for

several hours... looting, setting fires and throwing rocks in the Hispanic neighborhood before riot police quelled the unrest. NO one was injured.

Aides say an attempted coup in Argentina won't disrupt President Bush's plans to visit the country tomorrow. Fighting erupted early yesterday when rebels seized three key installations in the greater Buenos Aires area. But loyalst government troops crushed the rebellion hours later. At least eight people died and dozens were wounded.

Continental Airlines Holdings has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection from its customers. The nation's fifth-largest carrier blames its woes on skyrocketing jet fuel prices triggered by the Persian Gulf crisis. Continental says its fuel costs have jumped 125 percent since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2nd.

A squadron of radar-elusive stealth fighters will arrive in the Persian Gulf region Tuesday. The arrival of the 22 so-called ''ghost'' bombers will double the number of stealth fighters that have been deployed under Operation Desert Shield. Officials say the remainder of the Air Force's 56 stealth fighters will remain in the United States.

Michigan's so-called ''suicide doctor'' has been charged with first- degree murder for helping a Portland, Oregon, woman with Alzheimer's disease take her own life. Dr. Jack Kevorkian allowed 54-year-old Janet Adkins to kill herself by using his ''suicide machine'' to release a lethal drug into her body.

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(DEC. 4) UPI - TODAY'S PEOPLE:

HEPBURN DOES IT HER WAY: Katharine Hepburn never bothered to show up to receive any of her four Oscars but she did make it to Washington to be honored at the Kennedy Center for her contribution to the arts. Hepburn did it in her own way, too, wearing sneakers to the State Department and her usual pants suit to the weekend functions and on the conditions that she not have to go through receiving lines or mingle too much. Also honored with awards were Dizzy Gillespie, director Billy Wilder, opera star Rise Stevens and composer Jule Styne. On hand to honor them were Angela Lansbury, John Candy, Glenn Close, Walter Cronkite, Vice President Dan Quayle and his wife, Marilyn, Marvin Hamlisch, Jack Lemmon, Walter Matthau, Christopher Plummer, Phylicia Rashad, Lynn Redgrave, Bill Cosby, movie mogul Lew Wasserman, James Woods and Lauren Bacall, who was relieved to have finished a long wait in line to shake hands with President Bush. ''I'm going to go have a drink - right now,'' she said. ''Where's the bar?''

MILLI VANILLI WON'T COUNT: The National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences has mailed out ballots listing the disgraced Milli Vanilli on the 1990 Grammy Awards ballot but their votes will not be counted. The first-round ballots, which will be used to select the actual nominees for the awards were printed and mailed to 6,000 voting members of the academy before it was revealed that Rob Pilatus and Fabrice Morvan did not sing on the album, ''Girl You Know It's True,'' which won them a Grammy as best new artists last year. However, their song ''Blame It on the Rain'' is on the ballot for song of the year, a category that honors the songwriter - in this case Dianne Warren - and still might be included in the voting.

BETTY, MEET BART: Baghdad Betty obviously has never seen Bart Simpson. Betty, 1990's version of Tokyo Rose, is a product of the Iraqi propaganda machine and her radio broadcasts are supposed to demoralize the U.S. forces in the Saudi desert. But a letter from Sgt. 1st Class Joseph J. Torregrossa indicates Betty isn't very well informed about American culture since she puts Bart in the matinee idol class. ''Let me give you a Baghdad Betty quote,'' Torregrossa wrote. '''Why are you Americans here? Don't you know you will die in the desert? While you are here your wives and girlfriends are dating American movie stars. Movie stars like Tom Selleck, Paul Newman and ... Bart Simpson!' ... Needless to say all the guys howled over that. We're all waiting for our letter, the 'Dear John' one, the one dumping us for Bart.''

GLIMPSES: The drive to pay Willie Nelson's $16.7 million tax bill is going slowly. A weekend fund-raiser at an Austin, Texas, nightclub brought in $1,000 but a ''Willie-Aid'' campaign by an Austin barber has raised only $327 ... ''The Naked Gun'' has been reloaded. The hit movie spoof will be followed by ''The Naked Gun II 1/2: The Smell of Fear.'' Paramount Pictures issued a release announcing its ''inability to stop the start of production for 'The Naked Gun II 1/2: The Smell of Fear. Leslie Nielsen and Priscilla Presley have been coerced into repeating the starring roles.''

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BANGKOK, THAILAND (DEC. 4) UPI - The ''black box'' flight recorders of a Bangkok Airways plane that crashed last month and killed 38 people were sent to Canada Tuesday for analysis to determine what caused the crash, officials said.

Prasert Prasart-thong-osoth, chairman of the airline, said the recorders, known as ''black boxes,'' were sent to Canada early Tuesday for examination by a team of aviation officials and technicians from Thailand and Canada.

''The truth must wait until officials finish analyzing the flight black boxes. This will determine whether it was a problem with the plane or the pilots or the weather,'' Prasert said.

The Canadian-made Dash-8 turboprop plane, operated by Bangkok Airways, crashed Nov. 21 into a coconut grove on Samui Island, 300 miles south of Bangkok.

The crash killed nine Thais, nine Germans, five Japanese, five Swedes, four Australians, two Americans, two Italians, one Swiss and one Finn.

Prasert said tiny Samui Airport, which was built by the airline, has acceptable air safety standards even though it does not have radar equipment.

The runway is 5,900 feet long, and the Dash-8 plane needs only 2,950 feet for operation, he said.

The most likely cause of the crash, Prasert said, was a sudden thunderstorm that struck as the plane started to land.

''We do not take any risk for any landing but the weather was not a problem when the plane was preparing to land,'' Prasert said.

Tossaporn Bunyaruck, director of flight operations for the airline, agreed.

Tossaporn said maintenance checks had confirmed the plane was in good condition and that the pilots were experienced.

He said aviation experts examined the wreckage and the inspection of the black boxes was expected to be finished within six weeks.

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CONCORD, NH (DEC. 4) UPI - Dr. Constantine L. Hampers, a prominent physician who pioneered the use of kidney dialysis, pleaded guilty Monday to two misdemeanor charges of importing the pelts of endangered animals he killed while big-game hunting in Mexico.

The guilty plea came the day before Hampers' second trial on the charges was to begin in U.S. District Court. As part of the plea bargain agreement, prosecutors dropped 13 related felony charges.

Hampers was immediately sentenced by U.S. District Court Judge Shane Devine to pay a fine of $20,000, donate $180,000 to the World Wildlife Fund and forfeit the mounted pelts of three ocelots and two jaguars.

He could have faced a maximum penalty of 65 years in prison and a fine of $2.6 million on the original charges.

His first trial ended in June with a hung jury.

Hampers, of Dublin, and another doctor, Edward B. Hager of Lyndeborough, were accused of illegally killing the three ocelots in 1985 and the two jaguars in 1986 while hunting on Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula. He admitted that a courier delivered the pelts in a plastic bag to the doctors in their room at the Las Vegas Hilton, where they were attending a Safari Club convention.

He told U.S. District Court Judge Shane Devine that he ''should have known'' that he violated the U.S. Endangered Species Act and other wildlife conservation laws.

Hampers is the husband of L. Joyce Hampers, an assistant U.S. commerce secretary and former Massachusetts revenue commissioner.

He is founder and chairman of National Medical Care Inc. of Waltham, Mass., which was a leader in making kidney dialysis widely accessible since the 1960s.

Hager had pleaded guilty earlier to one felony count of smuggling. He was placed on probation for one year and paid a $75,000 fine.

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#90338u0597 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 4) UPI - Iraq says that all Soviet hostages will be allowed to leave the country beginning tomorrow. Moscow said last week that it would not send troops to the Gulf to serve with the U-S-led multinational force, but warned that it would NOT hesitate to send troops if Soviet nationals in Iraq are endangered. There are an estimated 33-hundred Soviets being held by Iraq.

Federal investigators will continue their investigation today into the collision of two Northwest Airlines jets at Detroit's airport yesterday. At least eight people died and 21 were injured when a jet taking off struck another on the ground. That jet burst into flames. The National Weather Service said visibility was one-quarter mile in the air and less on the ground.

Philippine Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus and special U-S negotiator Richard Armitage held one-on-one talks today on the future of key U-S bases in the Philippines. Earlier, Philippine spokesman Rafael Alunan said technical panels had reached an impasse in discussing arrangements on the U-S Clark Air Base at the expiration of American basing rights in September 1991.

Church bells and a 21-gun salute marked the inauguration of Ireland's first woman president yesterday. Mary Robinson promised to represent ''an open Ireland.'' The Socialist-backed attorney was sworn in as the seventh president in the history of the republic in a largely military ceremony. The Irish president's role is largely ceremonial.

The jury in New York's Central Park jogger rape case ended its fourth day of deliberations yesterday and does NOT appear to be near a verdict. Suitcases with extra clothing were brought to court and one juror's husband sent flowers saying he missed his wife. Two teen-agers face 13 criminal charges, including rape and attempted murder.

In New York City this morning, an armed robber was shot and wounded when a Vietnam veteran who was with his girlfriend pulled a gun and fired on him. The suspect was shot three times and was taken to a hospital for treatment. Police say the suspect had earlier robbed two other men. The robber was charged with robbery, attempted robbery and criminal possession of a weapon.

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#90338u0627 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

PONTIAC, MI (DEC. 4) UPI - Dr. Jack Kevorkian is out on bond after being charged with first-degree murder for helping a woman with Alzheimer's disease kill herself with his ''suicide machine.''

''Dr. Kevorkian was the primary and legal cause of Janet Adkins' death,'' Oakland County Prosecutor Richard Thompson said at a news conference Monday.''He cannot avoid his criminal culpability by the clever use of a switch.''

Adkins, 54, of Portland, Ore., died in Kevorkian's van in a rural Oakland County park on June 4 after pressing a button on his suicide device that released a lethal drug into her system.

Under Michigan law, conviction on a charge of first-degree murder carries a mandatory penalty of life in prison without possibility of parole. Thompson conceded it would not be easy to get a conviction.

''There's no question about it. This is going to be a difficult case to convict Dr. Kevorkian on because of the emotional aspects of the case,'' Thompson said. ''I fulfilled my sworn duty and I just can hope that the jury performs their duty.''

Kevorkian was arraigned later Monday in 52nd District Court in Clarkston before Judge Gerald McNally, who set a $100,000 personal and $50,000 cash bond with 10 percent allowed, meaning Kevorkian could be released after posting $5,000. He was taken to the Oakland County Jail late Monday afternoon but was released about 9:30 p.m. when bond was posted.

''I don't take this seriously. This is all immoral anyway,'' Kevorkian said. ''The time has come for this thing,'' he said, referring to doctor-assisted suicides.

Thompson said it took nearly six months to charge Kevorkian because his office wanted to carefully research all the medical and legal implications of the case.

Telephone conversations between Kevorkian and Dr. Murray Raskind, Adkins's physician, will be central to the prosecution's case, Thompson said.

''Kevorkian called Dr. Raskind on May 16 and Raskin returned the call on the 18th, at which time Kevorkian informed him what he was going to do to his patient, Janet Adkins. Raskind told Kevorkian he felt it was inappropriate, that Janet Adkins had several more years of quality life, '' Thompson said.

Thompson said the conversation is documented by medical records from the University of Washington Hospital, where Adkins was being treated with an experimental drug.

Kevorkian, anticipating Monday's announcement, said late last week he does not fear criminal prosecution.

''Send me to jail. Put me in solitary if you want. At least I'll be with honest people when I'm by myself.''

Thompson said he would base his case against Kevorkian on a 1920 Michigan Supreme Court opinion that held that a husband who mixed and placed poison near his wife at her request so that she could drink it was guilty of first-degree murder when she died as a result of drinking the poison.

To date, the case has not been reversed by the Michigan Supreme Court, nor has it been revised by the Michigan Legislature, Thompson said.

Thompson said his investigation into the Adkins case led him to conclude that there was no reason for her to take her own life and no reason for Kevorkian to assist with the device he invented.

''Janet Adkins was not terminally ill or suffering pain,'' he said. ''For me not to charge Dr. Kevorkian under these circumstances would be a courruption of the law and turn Oakland County into the suicide mecca of our nation.

''Dr. Jack Kevorkian is not above the law; and if he wants to change the law, he should address the legislative branch of government. If physicians are to have a license to kill in addition to their license to heal, that license must come from the legislature, not the prosecutor.''

Thompson's announcement came one day before trial was to begin in a civil case brought by his office in response to Adkins's death nearly six months earlier.

Kevorkian has insisted he has broken no laws and is convinced authorities are acting imporoperly in proceeding against him.

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#90338u0653 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Former world heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali arrived in New York Tuesday following a trip to Iraq where he gained the release of several hostages.

Authorities said Ali arrived at Kennedy International Airport at 5:30 a.m. on a Royal Jordanian Airline flight.

Reports that Ali arrived with six former American hostages held in Iraq were unconfirmed, said Port Authority Police Officer Jim Keuchler.

Ali left Baghdad with 15 American hostages Sunday. He had delayed his trip in an apparently unsuccessful attempt to free three more Americans, Egypt's Middle East News Agency had said.

An undetermined number of Belgians and British nationals, freed by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein late last week, also were on the plane when Ali arrived in Cairo, the agency said.

Ali went against State Department warnings on travel to Iraq to meet with Saddam in Baghdad on an independent mission to win freedom for some of the estimated 700 Americans trapped in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

Ali was scheduled to leave Iraq Saturday but remained an extra day to try to win the release of three more unidentified American hostages.

A spokesman for Ali said he planned to return to Baghdad at Christmas in hopes of bringing out more hostages.

Many of the Americans are being held at key economic and military installations as a human shield against U.S. attack. Saddam has promised to release all foreigners in batches beginning on Christmas Day.

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#90338u0662 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

LUSAKA, Zambia (DEC. 4) UPI - President Kenneth Kaunda fired the editors of Zambia's two major newspapers without explanation Tuesday after they had become increasingly bold in their coverage of the movement for a restoration of a multi-party democracy.

Kaunda also unexpectedly dismissed his minister of defense, Lt. Gen. Hananiah Lungu, who was appointed in the wake of an abortive coup attempt in June. He gave no reason for the firing.

''I have to regret that some of my ablest ministers have to be dropped,'' Kaunda told a brief news conference on the same day parliament scheduled final reading on a bill restoring a multi-party democracy in Zambia.

Kaunda, known to place budding military men into the diplomatic service, hinted Lungu might receive a foreign posting. He commended Lungu for a quick response to a recent attack in Zambia by right-wing Mozambican guerrillas.

The general was replaced by Dodson Siatalimi, presently minister of state for defense. At the same time, Kaunda also dropped Enos Haimbe, the minister of power, transport and communications, who is on study leave in Britain.

Komani Kachinga, for five years the editor of the nation's largest newspaper, The Times of Zambia, and Cyrus Sikaze, editor of the Zambia Daily Mail, were both dismissed by Kaunda without explanation. He said only that they would be given ''other posts.''

However, The Times of Zambia, which Kaunda's ruling United Independence Party (UNIP) claims as its own, and the government-owned Zambia Daily Mail, had in recent months given prominent coverage to the opposition forces agitating for a multi-party democracy.

Their more bolder coverage began to emerge last year with the political developments of Eastern Europe.

With the approval of a constitutional amendment bill as early as Tuesday that will allow the formation of other political parties for the first time in 17 years, Zambia moves a step closer to elections, which Kaunda is expected to call by October 1991.

As replacements, Kaunda named Bwendo Mulengela, a lecturer at the University of Zambia's English department, to head The Times of Zambia, and Calvin Mutumweno, a lecturer at the UNIP ideological President Citizenship College to head the Zambia Daily Mail.

Once active election campaigning begins, control of the media is expected to be challenged by Kaunda's rivals. Multi-party lobbyists say The Times of Zambia was purchased in the 1970s with taxpayers' money and contend the UNIP does not therefore own it.

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(DEC. 4) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	41	15	....
Anchorage pc	17	-06	....

Asheville w	59	34	.40
Atlanta pc	64	36	1.14
Baltimore mc	57	54	.62
Billings w	40	34	....
Birmingham pc	67	33	.42
Bismarck pc	24	-11	....
Boston r	43	40	.11
Brownsville pc	71	51	.02
Buffalo snsh	49	39	1.56
Burlington Vt. r	33	28	.40
Charleston S.C. cy	71	66	....
Charlotte w	65	55	.86
Chicago pc	41	23	.41
Cincinnati sn	62	29	.27
Cleveland sn	58	32	.87
Columbus Ohi sn	60	30	.46
Dallas sy	53	31	....
Denver sy	41	27	....
Des Moines pc	31	13	.03
Detroit sn	47	31	1.12
Duluth pc	24	02	....
El Paso sy	55	24	....
Evansville sn	60	31	....
Fargo pc	32	17	....
Hartford r	41	38	.98
Honolulu sy	84	72	....
Houston sy	72	34	....
Indianapolis sn	60	25	.10
Jackson Miss. sy	69	32	.16
Jacksonville cy	81	65	.38
Kansas City sy	38	18	....
Las Vegas f	59	35	....
Little Rock sy	64	30	....
Los Angeles f	81	55	....
Louisville cy	63	32	.12
Memphis sy	58	34	....
Miami Beach mc	78	73	....
Milwaukee w	35	21	.88
Minneapolis pc	30	08	.02
Nashville sn	64	33	.19
New Orleans sy	72	40	1.79
New York sh	53	48	1.67
Oklahoma Cty sy	44	25	....
Omaha pc	27	11	.05
Orlando ts	80	mm	....
Philadelphia r	58	50	1.01
Phoenix sy	71	45	....
Pittsburgh sn	55	33	....

Portland Me. r	37	34	1.22
Portland Ore. r	49	45	....
Providence r	43	40	.49
Richmond mc	66	60	.27
St. Louis sy	52	29	.02
Salt Lake City cy	40	23	....
San Antonio sy	67	30	....
San Diego f	75	48	....
San Francisco cy	58	39	....
San Juan pc	82	72	.22
Seattle sh	53	47	.21
Spokane r	39	36	....
Tampa ts	83	66	....
Washington mc	59	53	.93
Wichita sy	40	18	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90338u0675 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 4) UPI - Saddam Hussein's government announced today that it will permit all 33-hundred Soviet hostages held in Iraq to leave, beginning tomorrow. Official Soviet media recently began to categorize Soviets prevented from leaving Iraq as hostages.

Iraq's health minister says that U-N sanctions against his country have caused the deaths of 14-hundred Iraqi children. He said most of the victims were under the age of five and had died because of shortages of medicine.

Miami police have restored calm in a neighborhood rocked last night by a mob angry over the acquittal of six Miami policeman charged in the beating death of a Puerto Rican drug dealer. The crowd set buildings and cars on fire,

pelted police with rocks and bottles and looted stores before police restored order.

President Bush arrives in Uruguay this morning on the second day of a 12-thousand-mile South American tour. Bush has NOT changed his plans to travel to Argentina tomorrow, despite yesterday's UNsuccessful coup attempt.

The astronauts aboard the space shuttle Colubmia are NOT letting some problems get in the way of their research. Astronomers manually aimed their telescopes at a number of celestial targets as they work to fix a computerized instrument pointing system.

A spaceship carrying two Soviet cosmonauts and a Japanese reporter docked with the Mir space station today, two days after its launch. The correspondent for Tokyo Broadcasting System will file daily television and radio reports from the Mir during his week-long stay on the space station.

There was NO earthquake yesterday in the Midwest on the day New Mexico climatologist Iben Browning predicted the earth would shake. However, many residents feel there's still a chance the prediction could come true today or tomorrow.

The ''black box'' flight recorders of a Bangkok Airways plane that crashed last month and killed 38 people were sent to Canada today for analysis to determine what caused the crash. The recorders will be examined by a team of aviation officials and technicians from Thailand and Canada.

Members of the American Medical Association meeting in Orlando have endorsed mandatory AIDS testing of patients before surgery. They say it may be the only way to fully protect health care workers against contracting the virus.

The government says economic growth of the world's largest industrialized nations slowed during the first half of this year and the slowdown is forecast to continue through next year.

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#90338u0695 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (DEC. 4) UPI - Former President Jimmy Carter charged the Bush administration with abandoning ''the American commitment to saving energy,'' and called for a national energy policy designed to wean the United States from its oil dependence.

In a ceremony Monday at the Carter Presidential Center to comemmorate the 10th anniversary of the Alaska Lands Act, Carter also said the Bush administration was willing to destroy pristine Alaska land for oil.

''Drilling for oil irresponsibly will only extend our addiction to that fuel

'' Carter said. ''It should be clear to us by now that laws passed in the 1970s increasing energy efficiency were the most sensible way to cure our energy problems.''

The current Persian Gulf crisis has increased efforts by the oil industry to open such environmentally fragile areas as Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil development.

Carter criticized those efforts, saying they contradicted the goal of the Alaska Lands Act of 1980, which established several new national parks, nine national wildlife refuges and 25 wild and scenic rivers. Seven other wildlife refuges were expanded under the act.

''We can't correct our energy problems by doubling our production,'' said Carter, adding that drilling in Alaska would increase domestic oil production by only 2 percent.

''To substitute a destruction of the precarious Alaska lands, particularly the wildlife refuges, instead of having reasonable conservation measures, I think is criminal.''

Carter said the Bush administration has ''abandoned the American commitment to saving energy.''

George T. Frampton, president of the Wilderness Society, predicted President Bush's energy plan - expected to be released early next year - will focus on traditional energy production rather than provide a comprehensive blueprint to lessen U.S. oil dependency.

''This addiction results in damage to pristine lands, oil spills, pollution and global warming,'' Frampton said. ''We fear that next year another great ecosystem in the world, the coastal plain of the Arctic Refuge, may become the next victim of our dependence on oil.''

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#90338u0707 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (DEC. 4) UPI - A Palestinian resident of the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip was killed while trying to escape from soldiers who stopped the fishing boat he was on, military and Palestinian sources reported Tuesday.

The crew of an Israeli navy gunboat that was on a routine patrol off the southern coast of the Gaza Strip noticed what they regarded a suspicious looking fishing boat moving southwest late Monday, the military sources said.

The Israeli vessel signaled for the boat to stop, but it moved toward the open sea, the sources said. Air force helicopters, in conjunction with the gunboat, forced the fishing boat back to a Gaza beach where Israeli soldiers were

waiting to arrest its occupants, the sources reported.

One of those on the fishing boat tried to escape from the soldiers, and was shot and killed, military sources said. Palestinian sources identified the slain man as a resident of the Gaza Strip's Beach refugee camp.

The military imposed a curfew on the refugee camp in an effort to prevent disturbances after residents heard of the incident, the Palestinian sources said.

Authorities began an investigation into whether the occupants of the fishing boat were involved in recent activities in Gaza related to the nearly 3-year-old Palestinian uprising, military sources said.

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#90338u0709 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, Belgium (DEC. 4) UPI - Deadlock over farm subsidies persisted Tuesday on the second day of world trade talks, despite warnings that an immediate breakthrough was needed to avert collapse of the 107-nation negotiations.

Farm exporting countries, including the United States, rejected as woefully inadequate a statistical ''explanation'' by the 12-nation European Community of its agriculture proposal in talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

''It seems rather late in the day for methodology,'' said Australian Trade Minister Neal Blewett, who called for ''explicit'' EC commitments rather than analytical ''mumbo-jumbo.''

The EC is under pressure to deeply reduce its massive farm supports, and to offer specific guarantees on market access and cuts to price- distorting export subsidies.

The United States wants farm subsidies at levels far lower than those sought by the EC and European farmers, and is seeking a 75 percent reduction in the current supports.

Developing countries that produce food cheaply say they are frozen out of world markets by the generous subsidies given European farmers, which create surpluses and drive prices down.

''There are ... farmers from all over the world who want a fairer shake,'' Deputy U.S. Trade Representative Rufus Yerxa said.

Although the talks are due to conclude Friday, officials said time could in fact run out much sooner.

''It has been made clear by some countries that we need to see some progress on agriculture in the next few hours'' in order to save the talks, a GATT spokesman said at midday.

Renewed agriculture negotiations were slated for late in the day.

This week's talks cap a four-year round of GATT talks, known as the Uruguay Round after the country where it began in 1986.

Negotiations over services, investment and other key areas have been stalled over the farm-subsidies impasse.

The United States, backed by the 14-nation Cairns Group of farm exporters - including Australia, Brazil and New Zealand - seek a 75 percent cut in subsidies, including a 90 percent slash in export refunds.

The EC has proposed a 30 percent cut from 1986 levels, with no specific guarantee on export subsidies or market access.

The EC agriculture commissioner, Ray MacSharry, circulated documents on Tuesday claiming that 30 percent cuts in EC internal supports would in fact create ''significant reduction in export refunds by 1995,'' including a 40 percent reduction for wheat subsidies as EC and world prices converged.

He said EC and U.S. expenditure on export assistance for wheat were comparable in recent years, and insisted the EC was also providing adequate market access. For 1987-1989, he said, butter imports into the EC made up 4.4 percent of domestic use, compared to 0.2 percent for butter imports into the United States.

The United States rejected the EC's new arguments even before they were presented.

''We don't need to have their position explained. We need to see some movement '' said Richard Crowder, U.S. Agriculture undersecretary.

On Monday, about 25,000 farmers, mostly from Europe, protested against any cuts in subsidies, claiming their livelihoods depend on government supports.

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#90338u0710 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Dec. 3: Purchases of 373, 991 shares and sales of 616,383 shares including 17,667 shares sold short.

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#90338u0742 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND (DEC. 4) UPI - The father of a newborn died in a hail of gunfire as he went to feed the family pet in a rural town northwest of Belfast, the Royal Ulster Constabulary said Tuesday.

David Andrew Shiels, 30, was shot dead Monday night outside his mobile home in Maghera, 50 miles northwest of Belfast, a short distance from where a former soldier was shot dead Saturday by the outlawed Irish Republican Army.

Shiels had no known connections with Protestant paramilitaries or British security forces in Northern Ireland, police said. They believed the baker's assistant was a random target for the terrorists fighting to liberate Northern Ireland from British control.

He was the 74th victim to be killed this year, and the second to die since security chiefs warned of a major escalation of IRA terror before Christmas.

Shiels' wife and child survived the attack, as gunfire ripped through their fragile home, missing them by inches.

Protestant politicians have called on security chiefs to launch a massive operation and arrest known nationalist and loyalist guerrillas to stop the spiral of killings.

Mid-Ulster member of Parliament William Crea called on the government to stop talking about military action and mount an offensive against the IRA before ''the Protestant communities in parts of Northern Ireland are wiped out.''

An extra 600 British troops were flown into the province to back up 11,000 troops already here.

Security along the 230-mile border with the Irish Republic has been intensified, with troops being deployed in remote areas. A number of border checkpoints also have been closed at nights.

Six soldiers and a civilian were killed last month when the IRA mounted a ''human bomb'' offensive against border checkpoints. Civilians were tied to seats on trucks and forced to drive the bombs to the checkpoints where they were detonated by remote control.

A number of similar attacks failed when the bombs did not explode, one at Rosslea, 85 miles west of Belfast, 12 days ago, when the IRA packed a 1.5-ton bomb onto a truck. To prevent the driver from escaping, the bombers held his family at gunpoint and tried to break his legs.

But he escaped the blast when the detonator dislodged from the bomb, the

largest known to have been used by the IRA.

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#90338u0743 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - The head of the public schools system wants to permit distribution of condoms to high school students as a way of fighting the nation's worst teenage AIDS outbreak, a published report said Tuesday.

The New York Times said that students could obtain condoms even without parental consent under Schools Chancellor Joseph Fernandez's plan.

Fernandez, who will propose the plan to the Board of Eucation on Wednesday, said in a memorandum to the Board of Education recently that New York City is leading the nation in adolescent AIDS cases, the Times said.

''We cannot afford to ignore this crisis,'' he said.

Under the plan, students at each high school, not only the 17 with health clinics, would be able to get free condoms from male and female staff volunteers at a variety of school sites and at specified times in the school day.

Any of the city's 261,000 high school students, no matter how young, would be eligible to get them, the Times quoted aides to the chancellor as saying.

As to why no parental consent or birth control counseling would be required, Fernadnez said, ''People at any age have ready access to condoms at supermarkets and drugstores without benefit of an educational or counselig component.''

The Times said that of the seven board members, only two have indicated opposition in principle to distribution of condoms and a third has indicated some reservations.

The Center of Population Options in Washington said that few high schools in the United States distribute condoms, even those with health clinics.

The Board of Education was expected to vote on the matter in January and if the proposal is approved, condom distribution could start by spring.

Roman Catholic officials have said they would oppose the plan.

Fernandez issued statistics showing that New York City accounted for 16 percent of the nation's AIDS cases among male adolescents and 32 percent among female adolescents. As of August, 33 boys and 14 girls in the city had AIDS.

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(DEC. 4) UPI -

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Dec. 4:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberden pc	1pm	46	07
Amstrdm pc	1pm	48	08
Ankara r	3pm	46	08
Athens r	2pm	51	10
Aucklnd cy	12m	61	16
Beijing c	8pm	38	03
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin pc	1pm	42	05
Bonn c	1pm	44	07
Brussels cy	1pm	46	07
Cairo c	2pm	71	22
Casblnc cy	12n	74	23
Copenhgn c	1pm	42	05
Dakar c	12n	82	27
Dublin cy	1pm	46	08
Geneva cy	1pm	37	02
Helsinki c	2pm	39	04
Hong Kng c	8pm	62	16
Jerusalm c	2pm	63	17
Karachi c	5pm	38	03
Lisbon cy	1pm	51	10
London cy	1pm	46	07
Madrid c	1pm	48	09
Malta r	1pm	51	10
Manila pc	8pm	80	27
Moscow cy	3pm	38	03
Nairobi cy	3pm	74	23
Nassau pc	7am	72	22
New Delh c	6pm	67	19
Nice c	1pm	46	07
Oslo pc	1pm	37	03
Paris cy	1pm	46	07
Pretoria pc	2pm	79	26
Riyadh m	3pm	80	26
Rome c	1pm	52	11
Seoul pc	9pm	39	04
Sofia pc	2pm	36	02
Stockhlm c	1pm	37	02
Sydney pc	10pm	71	22
Taipei cy	8pm	61	16
Tokyo c	9pm	53	11

Tunis cy	1pm	54	12
Vienna s	1pm	35	02
Warsaw r	1pm	39	04

Latin America

Buenos Airs c	9am	70	21
Caracas cy	8am	69	21
Havana m	7am	mm	mm
Lima cy	7am	67	19
Mexic Cty hz	6am	49	09
Rio de Janr c	9am	80	26
Santiago c	8am	68	20

Canada

Calgary cy		45	07
Edmonton cy		27	-02
Montreal sl		28	-02
Ottawa fzr		28	-02
Regina cy		11	-11
Toronto cy		39	04
Vancouver r		49	09
Winnipeg c		21	05

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90338u0766 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

ROMULUS, MI (DEC. 4) UPI - The sequence of events in Monday's collision of two Northwest Airlines jets at Detroit Metropolitan Airport, based on reports from witnesses and authorities:

1. Both airliners leave the Northwest domestic terminal at about 1:30 p.m. Flight 299, a Boeing 727-200 with 156 people aboard, proceeds to the south end of Runway 3-C and is cleared for takeoff to Memphis, Tenn.

2. Flight 1482, a DC-9 bound for Pittsburgh with 44 people aboard, is supposed to turn onto Taxiway J, parallel to the runway. Instead it turns into the path of the larger Boeing 727. DC-9 pilot realizes error; radios tower he thinks he's on runway.

3. Tower warns DC-9 it must turn off runway immediately but the warning is too late. The 727 starts its takeoff roll and, 2,500 feet into the roll at more than 100 mph, it clips the DC-9.

4. The 727's right wing slices into DC-9 fuselage at window level, ripping full length of plane and knocking off DC-9's right engine. The 727 continues another 3,000 feet down the runway, its right wing tip crumpled.

5. DC-9 passengers say right side of plane seemed to blow out, sending glass and debris flying through the cabin. Fuel spills and ignites into a fireball that sweeps forward through the passenger compartment. Some passengers escape through an exit onto the left wing and jump 8 feet to the ground. Other passengers in the front of the DC-9 jump from the front door onto an escape chute. Passengers drag the injured away from the plane, fearing an explosion from leaking fuel.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $377.70, silver base of $4.20 and platinum price of $430.90:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$393.30	397.70
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	201.80	204.10
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	103.60	104.80
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.80	43.30
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	393.30	397.70
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	201.80	204.10
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	104.10	105.30
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.80	43.30
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	399.60	404.10
China Panda .50 troy oz.	205.90	208.20
China Panda .25 troy oz.	106.80	108.00
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.10	46.60
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.50	27.90
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	393.40	397.90
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	201.10	203.30
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	101.60	102.70
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.80	44.20

Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	392.20	396.30
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	203.10	205.20
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	104.20	105.30
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.40	44.80
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	392.00	396.20
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	201.60	203.70
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.50	87.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.80	45.30
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.90	24.10
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.56	$5.56
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,210	$3,190
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	446.00	442.00
Isle of Man Noble	443.00	439.00
Canada Maple Leaf	455.00	451.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) UPI - Sales of single-family homes dropped to a seasonally adjusted rate of 491,000 in October, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

Sales declined 23 percent from a rate of 636,000 sales a year ago, according to the monthly report by the Bureau of the Census and the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The figures represented a decline from the revised September rate of 509,000, officials said.

New home sales through October declined 16 percent to 474,000 compared with 563,000 for the like 1989 period last year, officials said.

The median sales price of new houses sold in October was $121,800 while the average sales price was $157,500, the government said. The seasonally adjusted estimate of new houses for sale was 334,000 at the end of October, a supply of 8.4 months.

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#90338u0827 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 4) UPI - C O R R E C T I O N

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Government investigators today began piecing together the series of events that caused a Northwest Airlines D-C-9 with 44 people aboard to stray onto the wrong runway at fog-shrouded Detroit Metropolitan Airport yesterday. Eight people were killed and 21 others were injured when the right wing of a larger Northwest jet on a takeoff roll hit the fuselage of the D-Cpilot's seat, causing the smaller plane to burst into flames.

President Bush flew from the largest country in South America to one of the smallest today. Bush headed from Brazil to Uruguay on the second day of a 12-thousand-mile goodwill tour to mark a turning point in U-S relations with Latin America. A rebellion by military officers in Argentina diverted some of the symbolic focus of Bush's mission yesterday. Bush is due to go to Argentina tomorrow.

It took about four hours last night for police to restore calm in a Miami neighborhood where rioting broke out after the acquittal of six policemen charged in the beating death of a Puerto Rican drug dealer. Youths rampaged through several blocks of the city's predominantly Puerto Rican Windwood section. The rioters burned buildings and cars and tossed rocks and bottles. There were NO reports of serious injuries.

Outer space is a bit crowded today. As the seven shuttle Columbia astronauts continue their astronomy mission, a Soviet spaceship has docked with the Mir space station. The soviet spaceship is carrying two Soviet cosmonauts and a Japanese journalist. The docking occurred on the 34th orbit of the Soyuz spacecraft.

In Cairo, the foreign ministers of three major Arab states taking part in the multi-national Persian Gulf force resumed talks today. Egypt, Syria and Saudia Arabia yesterday agreed to step up diplomatic efforts to dislodge Saddam Hussein's army from Kuwait before the January 15th deadline. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak joined in the talks.

A Boeing 707 carrying 10 people on a mission of mercy for war- and famine-stricken Sudan crashed today on approach to Kenya's Jomo Kenyatta Airport, killing everyone aboard. The Trans Arabian Airlines plane was flying to Kenya to pick up relief supplies for southern Sudan, where a seven-year war has caused acute food shortages for the past two years.

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#90338u0830 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
BONN (DEC. 4) UPI - The western German economy continued to boom in the third quarter, sparked by increased domestic investments and high demand from the new eastern part of Germany, the Federal Statistics Office said Tuesday.

Western Germany's gross national product soared 5.5 percent in the third quarter this year compared with the year-ago quarter, the report said.

Increased investment activity within the country and high demand from eastern Germany, which became part of the Federal Republic Oct. 3, boosted the GNP in the western part of the country, the report said.

The report did not include the growth rate for former East Germany, which has been hit with a severe economic crisis for the past months, marked by skyrocketing unemployment, bankruptcies and climbing prices.

Economics Minister Helmut Haussmann, who announced Monday after Sunday's national elections he would leave the government for private business, said Tuesday he expected a 4.5-percent average growth rate for western Germany this year.

The economics ministry released a report Tuesday, saying that industrial production in September and October combined rose by 5.4 percent compared with the same period last year, but slipped a seasonally adjusted 1 percent from September to October.

The report said construction activities climbed 4 percent in October, while production in the manufacturing sector fell 1.5 percent, in the mining sector 2.5 percent and utilities output dropped 3 percent.

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#90338u0853 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 4) UPI - A team of investigators from the National Transportation Safety Board arrived in Detroit last night to investigate the collision of two jets that killed at least eight and injured 21. Investigators boarded the burned-out remains of the McDonnell Douglas D-C-9 for an initial inspection. The D-C-9 was struck while on a runway by a larger jet that was taking off.

Tony Dresden, a spokesman for the Air Traffic Controllers' Association, reportedly said the pilot of the D-C-9 was confused about his location and gave the tower inaccurate information. He said that controllers were allowed to review the tower tape yesterday and had briefed him on its contents.

Iraq's news agency says King Hussein of Jordan arrived in Baghdad today for talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on the Gulf crisis. Arab diplomatic sources in Cairo said King Hussein would try to persuade Saddam to be more

flexible in his talks with Secretary of State Baker later this month. The king has taken a sympathetic stand toward Iraq.

Former boxing champ Muhammad Ali arrived in New York early today following his trip to gain the release of several of the hostages held in Iraq. Ali arrived at Kennedy International Airport. Port Authority police could NOT confirm reprors that six former American hostages held in Iraq were on the plane with Ali, who left Baghdad with 15 American hostages Sunday.

The Iraqi government announced today that it will permit all 33- hundred Soviet hostages held in Iraq to leave, beginning Wednesday.

A doctor charged with first-degree murder for helping a woman with Alzheimer's disease take her own life has been released on bond. Dr. Jack Kevorkian said he used his ''suicide machine'' in June to help Janet Adkins die in his van in Michigan. Oakland County Prosecutor Richard Thompson said Kevorkian- in his words ''cannot avoid his criminal culpability by the clever use of a switch.''

A deadlock over farm subsidies continued today on the second day of world trade talks in Brussels. There were warnings that an immediate breakthrough is needed to avert collapse of the 107-nation negotiations. Yesterday, about 25-thousand farmers, most of them from Europe, protested against any subsidy cuts, claiming their livelihoods depend on government supports.

A prominent physician who pioneered the use of kidney dialysis pleaded guilty yesterday to two misdemeanor charges of importing the pelts of endangered animals he killed while big-game hunting in Mexico. Dr. Constantine Hampers pleaded guilty in Concord, New Hampshire the day before his second trial on the charges was to begin. Hampers was fined 20-thousand dollars and must donate 180-thousand dollars to the World Wildlife Fund.

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#90338u0860 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (DEC. 4) UPI - Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto said Tuesday the Group of Seven industrialized nations would hold a meeting of their finance ministers and central bankers early next year.

Hashimoto told a news conference at Tuesday's regular Cabinet session ''it is natural for the G-7 to hold its meeting soon because the group is holding such meetings regularly at an interval of several months.''

He said, however, that no date for the meeting has been set yet because Britain wants to discuss views with other members of the European Community in advance.

He said a wide range of topics will be discussed at the next G-7 meeting, including financial support for the Soviet Union.

The group consists of the United States, Britain, Canada, France, Italy, Germany and Japan.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 70.00-72.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 116.63-120.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 37.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $192.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $426.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $428.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 280.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(DEC. 4) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs year earlier.....

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Casey's General Stores (2nd Q 10-31)	
$157,200,000	$127,800,000
a-$3,100,000 (.27)	$3,400,000 (.30)

a-Includes a loss from an accounting adjustment of $689,000 or six cents per share.

Child World Inc (3rd Q 11-3)	
$185,590,000	$157,338,000
d-$14,357,000	d-$4,114,000

d-Deficit.

Dairy Mart (2nd Q 11-3)	
$216,319,000	$186,844,000
$1,506,000 (.35)	a-$31,000 (.01)

a-Reflects pre-tax charges of $2.5 million in the quarter and $3.3 million in the nine months for expenses related to an attempted leveraged buyout.

Deere & Co (4th Q 10-31)	
$2,066,000,000	$2,000,000,000
$74,500,000 (.98)	$103,200,000 (1.37)

Earl Scheib (2nd Q 10-31)	
$16,660,000	$15,347,000
$1,139,000 (.25)	$927,000 (.21)

Jennifer Convertibles (4th Q 8-31)	
$7,951,000	$8,600,000
$81,000 (.03)	d-$20,000

d-Deficit.

Rykoff-Sexton Inc (2nd Q 10-27)	
$377,797,000	$358,293,000
$4,592,000 (.39)	$4,703,000 (.40)

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#90338u0963 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
ROMULUS, MI (DEC. 4) UPI - Government officials Tuesday were trying to learn how two Northwest airliners collided on a runway at Detroit Metropolitan Airport in fog and rain, causing a DC-9 to burst into flames, killing eight and injuring 21.

Eight people were killed and 21 others were injured Monday afternoon when the right wing of a larger Northwest jet on a takeoff roll hit the fuselage of the DC-9 just behind the co-pilot's seat, causing the smaller plane to burst into flames.

The pilot of the smaller jet may have missed a turn onto a taxiway, rolling instead onto Runway 3-Center, where the crash occurred at about 1:45 p.m., authorities said.

Initial speculation centered on whether the pilot of the smaller jet became confused in the fog.

Tony Dresden, a spokesman for the Air Traffic Controllers' Association, said the pilot of the DC-9 was confused about his location and gave the tower inaccurate information. He told the Detroit News that controllers were allowed to review the tower tape monday and had briefed him on its contents.

''The DC-9 pilot became lost on the runways,'' Dresden said. ''The pilot gave the ground controller erroneous information about his position and turned right onto the runway'' where the 727 was taking off. Based on the bad information, Dresden said, the controllers told the pilot to proceed.

''At the very last moment, he realized where he was and ground control told him to exit the runway,'' Dresden said. ''But it was obviously too late.''

Just before the crash, the pilot radioed the control tower that he was lost, an airport maintenance worker on the scene told the Detroit Free Press. When the controller realized where the jet was and told him to clear the runway, the worker said, the DC-9 began veering to the left. If the DC-9 had not begun turning, the planes ''would have collided nose-to-nose and everybody would have died,'' the worker said.

A team of investigators from the National Transportation Safety Board arrived at the crash site Monday night and boarded the burned-out remains of the McDonnell Douglas DC-9 for an initial inspection, said NTSB spokesman Alan Pollock.

Pollock said the team would take a closer look at the DC-9 Tuesday following an early morning organizational meeting. The on-site investigation will take four or five days, but it will be months before an official cause of the disaster is determined, he said.

''Obviously, it's too early to speculate at this point,'' Pollock said. ''Any time you have a major accident like this ... we have to sift through the information to get fact from the fiction of any accident. We're certainly going to be looking at air traffic control operations ... and of course, the weather.''

The victims were all aboard Northwest Flight 1482, a DC-9 bound for Pittsburgh with 39 passengers and five crew members. The dead included seven passengers and a Northwest flight attendant. The injured, mostly from Pennsylvania, were taken to five area hospitals.

Northwest spokesman Bob Gibbons identified the pilot of the DC-9 as William Lovelace, 52, a 24-year veteran based in Detroit who has been captain for 11 years.

Lovelace had been on medical leave for five years due to kidney stones but returned to active duty this year and had flown 13 times prior to Monday's accident, Gibbons said. The pilot of the 727 was identified as Robert Oullette 42, of Dallas, a seven-year veteran based in Detroit.

Gibbons said one of the eight people killed was Heidi Jost, 43, a Dearborn, Mich., native with 22 years of service as a flight attendant. The other seven were passengers and their names were not released. The eight bodies were taken to the Wayne County morgue for identification.

Authorities said the DC-9 was on the ground when it was clipped by Northwest Flight 299. The larger Boeing 727-200, bound for Memphis carrying 145 passengers and eight crew members, was just lifting its nose into the air.

The DC-9 erupted in flames and quickly became a charred hulk with most of the top of its passenger cabin burned away. The 727-200 landed immediately and its passengers suffered only minor injuries.

The 727-200 was traveling approximately 140 mph when it clipped the DC-9, which was standing still, aviation sources said.

Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara said thick fog reduced visibility at the time of the 1:45 p.m. collision.

''Visibility was down very low,'' McNamara said. ''I happened to be passing by the airport and commented on it. No question, weather was a factor.''

The National Weather Service said visibility was one-quarter mile in the air and less on the ground. The airport was closed to inbound flights prior to the crash because of snow and sleet that hit the area earlier, McNamara said.

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#90338u0974 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

HUNTSVILLE, TX (DEC. 4) UPI - Condemned killer Henry Lee Lucas may owe a note of thanks to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Lucas's extradition from Texas' death row to Florida to stand trial for murder is being delayed because the state's chief investigator has been sent to Saudi

Arabia with a military reserve unit taking part in Operation Desert Shield.

Lucas, 54, is under a death sentence in Texas for the 1979 murder of an unidentified female hitchhiker. He was to have been executed Monday, but won a stay from a state court.

Lucas has claimed responsibility for more than 4,000 crimes committed over several years as he traveled across the country. He since has recanted all his confessions, but law enforcement agencies in various states have attributed more than 250 murders to him.

Florida has been trying to extradite Lucas for more than a year to stand trial for three slayings. A state appeals court cleared legal impediments to the move in July, when it rejected Lucas's appeal of extradition proceedings and ordered him turned over to Florida authorities.

But Florida officials did not immediately act on the extradition and less than a month later, Iraqi forces invaded Kuwait and President George Bush ordered U.S. troops to the Middle East.

Chief investigator Joe Mitchell of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement was among military reservists called to active duty and later sent to Saudi Arabia. His absence apparently has stalled further extradition efforts.

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#90338u0976 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 4) UPI - Police found the slaughtered bodies of seven more blacks early Tuesday in townships near Johannesburg, but reported no resumption of the factional fighting that left 71 dead.

State-run radio reported the four townships east of Johannesburg where the fighting erupted Sunday were calm Tuesday following the imposition of emergency regulations Monday that included a 9 p.m.-to-4 a.m. curfew.

Both the African National Congress and the rival Zulu movement Inkatha Tuesday warned the ferocious fighting threatened to undermine efforts to negotiate a power-sharing deal with the minority white government but continued to berate each other in a series of public statements.

In one statement, the ANC called for a ''national response'' to the violence.

The ANC also reiterated its accusations of security force partiality in favor of Inkatha in the conflict, while Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi distanced his movement from the violence and blamed it on tribal rivalries between Zulus and Xhosas.

''There is too much violence in South Africa for us to hope for speedy

solutions through the politics of negotiation,'' he said. ''Rising violence may yet totally inhibit negotiations. That would be a very ugly tragedy.''

The ANC described the urban carnage as ''not just a tragedy for the families who have lost loved ones, but a tragedy for our entire nation.''

''The perpetrators of the violence are placing in jeopardy the very peace process that has taken so much effort to bring into being and sustain,'' it said.

Two days before it stages a national day of protest, the ANC demanded the government restore electricity to all townships where it had been cut because of non-payment of utility accounts. The absence of lights ''generates even greater fear among residents and provides ideal conditions for night attacks '' it said.

It also demanded that migrant worker hostels be controlled to prevent its mainly Zulu occupants from entering nearby townships with weapons or in groups and called for a ''code of conduct for the police, acceptable and accountable to the people.''

The fighting was regarded as an escalation of the clashes between Xhosa supporters of the ANC and Inkatha that engulfed townships surrounding Johannesburg in August and left 800 dead in six weeks.

Invoking the Public Security Act, Vlok declared the townships of Thokoza, Kathlehong and Vosloorus - all in a cluster east of Johannesburg - and Bekkersdal to the West as ''unrest areas,'' enabling him to place them under a curfew.

With the discovery of seven bodies overnight Monday, authorities put the death toll at 71 in the townships since Sunday when Zulus in a squatter camp adjacent to Thokoza allegedly launched raids into the township, prompting retaliatory attacks.

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(DEC. 4) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Health Ins Vermont	A	.19	1-4	12-14
Liquidation				
National Assest Bk	..	.15	12-27	12-10
Usual				

Alaska Air Group	Q	.05	2-5	1-15
Albertson's Inc	Q	.12	2-25	2-8
CNB Bancshares	Q	.22	1-2	12-20
First Mississippi	Q	.07 1/2	1-31	12-31
KC Southern Indus	Q	.27	12-31	12-11
Ocean Drill&Explor	Q	.07 1/2	2-1	1-15
Old Republic Intl	Q	.19	12-20	12-6
Pacific Wstrn Bncshr	S	.12	1-21	12-17
Pansophic Systems	Q	.05	1-9	12-21
Scheilb (Earl) Inc	Q	.09	1-11	12-27
Seaboard Corp	Q	.12 1/2	12-31	12-21
Waxman Industries	Q	.03	12-21	12-11

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-Annual

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#90338u1007 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 4) UPI - Federal officials are pressing ahead with their investigation into yesterday's fatal plane collision in Detroit. They have both the voice record and flight recorder from a burned out Northwest Airlines D-C-9 and statements have been taken from the flight crew. The D-C-9 turned onto an active runway and was struck by a Northwest Boeing 727 that was just taking off. Eight people died and another 21 people were injured.

Residents of Wisconsin are digging out from a record-breaking snowstorm that pounded the state yesterday, later spreading toward Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio. In Madison, Wisconsin, the city was buried by a record one-day snowfall of 17-point-three inches and winds gusting to 50 miles an hour piled drifts up to seven feet in parts of central Wisconsin.

Iraq has reversed an earlier stand and now says all three-thousand Soviet hostages are free to go home as of tomorrow. The Soviet Union has sided with other nations drawn up against Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and recently began using the word ''hostage'' to describe Soviet nationals trapped in Iraq. The Baghdad government up to now had said the Soviet nationals could leave only after the expiration of contracts that brought them to Iraq in the first place.

President Bush has landed in Uruguay... on Day Two of his 12- thousand-mile goodwill tour through Latin America. Bush is promoting what he calls ''Enterprise for the Americas''... a plan for expanded economic co-operation at a time when the huge Western Hemipshere market faces challenges from the aggressive economies of Asia and from a unified Europe in 1992. Uruguay has the highest per capita debt in Latin America.

In Atlanta, a former president is criticizing what he calls the current chief executive's lack of a national energy policy. Jimmy Carter says the George Bush administration is abandoning any commitment to save energy. Carter also

accused the White House of being willing to destroy environmentally fragile land in Alaska in exchange for expansion of oil drilling.

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#90338u1039 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) UPI - Despite their sometimes being stereotyped as selfish and self-centered, American teenagers do voluntary charitable work at about the same rate as adults, a new study reported Tuesday.

And, between trips to the mall and the movies, teens also dig into their pockets to do good, with 48 percent of teenagers contributing money to causes last year.

The average contribution was $46.

The findings, by Independent Sector, an umbrella group of voluntary, non-profit groups and big donors, come on the heels of a mid-November survey that found a marked increase in giving and volunteering by the adults of the ''baby boom'' generation.

''This news (about teens), coupled with that of the adult survey, paints an optimistic picture of the future capacity for volunteering and giving in America,'' said Brian O'Connell, president of Independent Sector.

''These findings certainly fly in the face of those who say that philanthropy in America is eroding with each generation.''

The survey of teens found that 58 percent of American teenagers volunteered in 1989, compared with 54 percent of adults.

Teens averaged 3.9 hours of volunteer time each week and over one fourth of the teen volunteers gave five or more hours each week.

According to Independent Sector, that meant a total of 1.6 billion hours of volunteer time by teens in 1989.

''One of the reasons for the specific study of teenage charitable behavior was our concern that those who came before them, the 'baby boomers,' were not showing up in surveys as particularly generous of time and money,'' O'Connell said. ''Independent Sector wanted to see if the problem began at even younger ages.''

But he noted that the report released in mid-October showed that the ''boomers'' have now caught on and are contiributing time and money in generous degrees.

''With this second study, which now indicates that the younger generation is

even more involved in service, we can be relieved and encouraged about the prospects of active citizenship and personal service for many decades,'' he said.

Schools and religious organizations emerged as the primary institutions that get teenagers involved in voluntary activities, with 52 percent of the teen volunteers indicating they got involved through their school and 50 percent citing their church or synagogue.

Through the schools, teens were most likely to get involved as volunteers in areas of arts, culture and humanities (78 percent), education (74 percent), human services (55 percent), and environmental causes (52 percent).

A growing emphasis on community service by schools is apparantly having a positive impact on teen volunteering, according to the survey. Among the 61 percent of respondents who reported their schools encouraged community service 69 percent actually volunteered. Among the 28 percent who reported their school did not encourage community service, however, just 44 percent volunteered.

About 10 percent of the young people said their schools requried a certain number of hours in community service for graduation, while 26 percent said ther schools offered one course or more in which community service was required.

Membership in religious insitutions has a major impact on both volunteering and contributing, the survey found. Among the 75 percent of teens who reported membership in religious institutions, 62 percent volunteered and 56 percent contributed money to causes. Among the 25 percent who said they were not members of a religious group, just 44 percent volunteered and 25 percent contributed.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches Top 25 college football ratings, with record and first-place votes in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.), and last week's ranking.

1.	Colorado (38) (10-1-1)	692	1
2.	Georgia Tech (7) (10-0-1)	638	3
3.	Texas (10-1)	568	4
4.	Miami (2) (9-2)	537	2
5.	Florida State (9-2)	475	8
6.	Notre Dame (9-2)	469	6
7.	Washington (9-2)	429	7
8.	Penn State (9-2)	381	9

9.	Brigham Young (10-2)	280	4
10.	Tennessee (8-2-2)	278	10
11.	Clemson (9-2)	216	11
12.	Michigan (8-3)	175	12
13.	Nebraska (9-2)	119	14
14.	Mississippi (9-2)	111	13
15.	Iowa (8-3)	80	15
16.	Louisville (9-1-1)	44	16
17.	Illinois (8-3)	33	19
18.	Southern Cal (8-3-1)	25	18
19.	Texas A&M (8-3-1)	13	17
20.	(tie) Michigan St. (7-3-1)	12	21
20.	(tie) Ohio State (7-3-1)	12	22
22.	Alabama (7-4)	11	NR
23.	Virginia (8-3)	10	23
24.	Southern Mississippi (8-3)	9	23
25.	San Jose State (8-2-1)	8	25

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: Baylor, Oregon, Virginia Tech.

The national champion will receive a $32,000 non-athletic scholarship from the Gerrits Foundation and United Press International.

By agreement with the American Football Coaches Association, teams barred from television appearances or postseason play or having lost more than 20 percent of their football scholarships are ineligible for the Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches. Those schools are Florida, Houston, Memphis State, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

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#90338u1042 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches' Top 25 college basketball ratings, with first-place votes and records in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.) and last week's ranking:

1.	UNLV (34) (1-0)	594	2
2.	Arizona (6) (6-0)	579	1
3.	Arkansas (5-1)	495	3
4.	Syracuse (4-0)	415	7
5.	Duke (5-1)	351	9
6.	Georgetown (1) (3-0)	338	6
7.	(tie) UCLA (4-0)	333	10
7.	(tie) Indiana (4-1)	333	11
9.	Ohio State (3-0)	241	12

10.	North Carolina (3-1)	217	4
11.	Connecticut (3-0)	151	13
12.	Georgia (4-0)	145	16
13.	(tie) Pittsburgh (4-0)	110	14
13.	(tie) Oklahoma (4-1)	110	16
15.	Alabama (2-1)	108	8
16.	Southern Mississippi (1-0)	77	19
17.	Louisiana State (2-1)	44	23
18.	St. John's (3-0)	36	22
19.	Michigan State (1-2)	31	5
20.	Georgia Tech (2-1)	24	14
21.	New Mexico State (4-0)	19	24
22.	(tie) South Carolina (4-1)	17	NR
22.	(tie) Kansas (2-1)	17	NR
24.	Texas (1-1)	16	19
25.	East Tennessee State (3-1)	13	NR

NR - unranked

Others receiving votes: Ball State, Brigham
Young, DePaul, Houston, Iowa, Louisiana
Tech, Minnesota, Murray State, Nebraska,
New Mexico, North Carolina State, Oklahoma State, Providence, Purdue,
Rutgers, Santa Clara, Southwestern
Louisiana, Stanford, Temple, Tennessee, Virginia.

Note: By agreement with the National Association of Basketball Coaches of the United States, teams on probation by the NCAA and ineligible for the NCAA Tournament are ineligible for Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches. The teams this season are Illinois, Kentucky, Marshall, Maryland, Missouri, Northwest Louisiana and Robert Morris.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 4) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Tuesday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

Major potato markets: FOB shipping points, per hundredweight unless otherwise stated:

Round reds (100 lb sacks) Colorado 7.00-9.00. Minnesota-North Dakota 8.50-9.50.

Norkotahs and Burbanks (100 lb sacks, non- size A) Colorado 6.00-6.50, Idaho 6.50-7.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) Wisconsin 12.00- 12.50, Washington 14.00-15.00, Colorado 12.00- 15.00, Idaho 14.00-16.00, Oregon 14.00-15.00; (50 lb cartons, 100 count) Wisconsin 8.00-8.50, Washington 11.00-12.00, Colorado 10.00-12.00, Idaho 10.00-10.50, Oregon 10.00-12.00.

Round whites (100 lb sacks) Wisconsin 5.75- 6.25.

Colorado centennials (100 lb sacks, non-size A) 5.50-6.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) 9.00- 12.00, (100 count) 7.00-10.00.

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American League

First base-Mark McGwire, Oakland
second base-Harold Reynolds,Seattle
third base-Kelly Gruber, Toronto
shortstop-Ozzie Guillen,Chicago
outfielders-Ken Griffey, Jr., Seattle
Ellis Burks, Boston
Gary Pettis, Texas
pitcher-Mike Boddicker, Boston
catcher-Sandy Alomar, Jr., Cleveland

National League

First base-Andres Galarraga, Montreal
second base-Ryne Sandberg, Chicago
third base-Tim Wallach, Montreal
shortstop-Ozzie Smith, St. Louis
outfielders-Barry Bonds, Pittsburgh
Tony Gwynn, San Diego
Andy Van Slyke, Pittsburgh
pitcher-Greg Maddux, Chicago
catcher-Benito Santiago, San Diego.

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#90338u1082 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
BONN, GERMANY (DEC. 4) UPI - More than 1,800 U.S. soldiers deployed in Saudi Arabia have been treated in U.S. military hospitals in Germany for injuries

and diseases since the beginning of ''Operation Desert Shield,'' a military official said Tuesday.

Soldiers suffer from a wide variety of medical problems, including broken bones, ear and throat infections, and psychiatric disorders, said Air Force Col. Earl Ferguson, commander of the 7100 Combat Support Wing Medical Center in Wiesbaden.

''We've seen a lot of cases of heat exhaustion, a few pregnancies, but mostly orthopedic services and general medicine,'' he said.

An Air Force spokeswoman said all U.S. troops in ''Operation Desert Shield'' needing medical attention are being treated in Germany.

Ferguson said the injured soldiers are sent to one of three military hospitals in Wiesbaden, Frankfurt and Landstuhl, where they usually stay for about one week.

''Around 1,800 troops have come through Rhine-Main air base (near Frankfurt), primarily since September,'' Ferguson said.

The Wiesbaden Medical Center has treated 639 soldiers since August, he said. After their release, 518 returned to their units in the United States, 90 went back to the gulf.

For the event of a war, the medical center staff has received special training and special teams were set up to deal with the probable deluge of wounded from the gulf.

''We would get very busy here,'' Ferguson said. ''We would close down all non-essential services, like dental and obstetric services.''

The Wiesbaden Medical Center, which is the largest military medical facility outside the United States, has a staff of 950, including 60 specialists among its 65 physicians.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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#90338u1102 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (DEC. 4) UPI - Soviet officials said Tuesday they had no confirmation of Iraq's plans to allow all Soviet citizens in Iraq to leave the country, but said the release would not alter their policy toward the Persian Gulf crisis.

They said Soviet policy would continue to demand that Baghdad withdraw from Kuwait in accordance with U.N. resolutions.

The Iraqi government said in a statement Tuesday that Soviet workers could leave the country beginning Wednesday ''provided the Soviet government alone bears the repercussions of ending their contracts.''

Vitaly Ignatenko, President Mikhail Gorbachev's spokesman, said Moscow had ''not received any signals that could inspire such hope'' for the release of 3,232 Soviets working in Iraq.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Vitaly Churkin said he could not confirm the Baghdad claim that all Soviets left in Iraq were free to go home. He also said he had no information about Iraq's specific demands in exchange for release of the Soviets.

''Soviet representatives in Iraq are authorized to settle the legal aspects of all problems arising in this respect,'' Churkin said. ''If we receive confirmation that all Soviets are free to leave, and I hope we will, then I think we will know the modalities.

''The Soviet representatives at any rate are authorized to do such things, notwithstanding financial or other consequences or claims.''

Churkin indicated Moscow would not respond positively to any direct demand for payment in return for its citizens.

''To make the life of a Soviet citizen a bargaining chip in a political game ... is not a worthy endeavor,'' Churkin said.

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#90338u1126 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (DEC. 4) UPI - Amid signs of an economic slowdown and rising interest rates, Japan's domestic sales of new motor vehicles in November declined 2.7 percent from a year ago to 499,563 units, posting the first year-to- year fall in 21 months, the Japan Automobile Dealers' Association said Tuesday.

It was the first year-to-year fall in domestic automobile sales since a 2.3

percent drop recorded in February 1989, when customers curbed their purchasesahead of the introduction of a lower sales tax in April of that year.

''Several factors combined to depress November sales, such as rising interest rates on car loans and higher gasoline prices as a result of the Gulf crisis '' said an official of the dealer's association.

''The sales decline also was attributable to the psychological effect of uncertainties over the Japanese economy in the future,'' said the official, who declined to be identified.

Sales of small cars were especially sluggish, the official said.

The association said combined sales for the first 11 months of this year totaled about 5.51 million units. If December sales of about 470, 000 units last year are taken into consideration, it would be difficult to attain 6 million unit sales this year, he said.

''Unless sales in December will manage a considerable improvement, it will be almost impossible to achieve the target this year,'' the official said.

Encouraged by brisk demand over the last few years, Japanese automakers predicted domestic sales would top the 6 million-unit target this year.

New-car sales totaled about 5.56 million units in 1989.

Sales have shown signs of downturn over the last few months, recording only a mild 0.3 percent year-to-year rise in September and a 0.9 percent increase in October.

''Strong demand for new cars still persists, but the comfortable sales growth recorded in the last few years can no longer be expected, as the Japanese car market now is facing a turning point,'' one industry executive said.

Domestic car sales began to pick up in May 1987, and, except for the lapse in early 1989, have since maintained year-on-year growth until November.

The November sales included 356,399 passenger cars, down 5.5 percent from a year ago, the association said.

Sales of small cars, which accounted for about 70 percent of the total sales, plunged 11.6 percent to 304,699 units, the first double- digit fall since July 1984.

Sales of large passenger cars with engine capacity of over 2 liters, including imported cars, surged 60.1 percent to 51,700 units, the association said.

Sales of imported cars continued to rise in November, totaling 16,186 units,

up 8.9 percent over a year ago.

Sales of trucks rose 4.7 percent to 140,277 units and those of buses surged 39.5 percent to 1,887 units.

Mitsubishi Motors Corp., 12 percent-owned by Chrysler Corp., and Mazda Motor Corp., 25 percent-owned by Ford Motor Co., were among a few automakers recording year-on-year sales gains in November.

Mitsubishi's sales jumped 10.4 percent to 38,213 units, raising its market share 0.9 point to 7.7 percent.

Mazda's sales grew 3.3 percent to 35,175 units, with its market share rising 0.5 point to 7.1 percent.

Sales by Japan's top automaker, Toyota Motor Corp., fell 2.4 percent to 228,674 units, although its market share still roese a mild 0.2 point to 45.9 percent, while those by its main rival, No. 2 Nissan Motor Co., declined 0.1 percent to 113,289 units for a 22.7 percent share. Nissan's market share, though was also still up, by 0.6 point.

Honda suffered the largest sales fall among leading automakers. Its sales plunged 27.9 percent to 32,960 units, with its market share dropping 2.3 points to 6.6 percent.

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EGYPTIAN CAMP, NORTHEASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (DEC. 4) UPI - Multinational forces involved in the standoff with Iraq have begun routine joint training on a vast northern plain where the ground has been packed hard by the elements and is so flat you can see the curvature of the Earth.

It's a terrain made for tank warfare, solid enough that cars will turn off a paved road and use it as a shortcut. And it stretches from northern Saudi Arabia into Kuwait, where Iraqi forces are trying to turn the same flat ground into a defensive fortress.

''All the forces, Americans, British, Syrians, Egyptians, they are all here and they are having joint exercises,'' said Col. Abdulrahim Mohamed Said, 42, the leader of an Egyptian commando unit. ''The morale is very high and the soldiers, they are here for fighting.''

The colonel said his troops trained almost daily with American special forces and other units in the area. ''It is according to plans that we have received from the Saudi authorities,'' he said. ''We all must train to get familiar with each other's ways.''

Despite language barriers, the annual Bright Star joint exercises conducted by U.S. and Egyptian forces have helped ease the difficulty in integrating a multinational and multilingual force in Saudi Arabia, he said.

''The experience we received from these exercises made a sort of language, even if we don't speak the same language, but due to continuous training we can communicate with each other better,'' Col. Said said. ''The (American) unit that we are training with, we know them by names because we've been training with them for years and years.''

It is still unclear what role the Egyptian troops and other Arab forces would play in any offensive to drive the Iraqis out of Kuwait. The mission for all forces is still to defend Saudi Arabia from attack, but most Arab leaders have yet to commit themselves to offensive action if necessary to liberate the emirate.

Several miles away, past tanks and anti-aircraft guns dug into the ground, soldiers at another Arab camp have no doubt where they would be during a strike into Kuwait. The troopers belong to a Kuwaiti tank company and they want to be at the front of the battle to recapture their homeland.

''That's what we ask and that's what our leader asks - to be in the front,'' said Capt. Ali, the 34-year-old leader of the tank company. ''It's a long time we have been away and there is a (need for) revenge. We must do it. We must be in the front.''

The captain, who declined to give his last name because of danger to relatives still in his occupied homeland, said the Kuwaitis wanted to be at the front of the offensive despite the possibility that many of their troops might be killed.

''We don't care. We were supposed to be killed there (defending Kuwait during the Aug. 2 invasion),'' he said as he stood near a Chieftan tank that rolled out of the country as the Iraqi forces advanced. ''I feel some shame, yes, because I got out without being killed there.''

Capt. Ali said information gathered from deserters indicated many of the Iraqi forces would not put up much of a fight if the multinational forces pushed across the border into Kuwait.

''The Iraqi forces want to surrender as soon as we enter there,'' he said. ''They are ready to surrender as soon as they see any attack on them.''

Elsewhere among the Arab forces in the area, soldiers express a reluctance to become involved in a war against fellow Moslems, but they said if their leaders believed it was necessary they would carry out the orders to fight.

"As a citizen of Saudi Arabia and a military man, the whole goal is to protect

Saudi Arabia,'' said Gen. Turki Hedijan al-Nife'er, the head of the Saudi 20th Brigade. ''We do not have the intent, the desire, to interfere with any other nation.''

Al-Nife'er added that his forces would ''execute any orders that come in from the joint leadership'' and that if it came to a war ''100 percent we are prepared for it and we are ready.''

The general, who has never been in combat, said he had little respect for the Iraqi military. ''The Iraqis, they exaggerate about their forces and their capabilities just like anybody else," he said. ''It's psychological warfare.''

Back at the Egyptian camp, Col. Said expressed a similar view. The colonel is one of the Arab commanders who has been in combat. His commando unit participated in the October War, when Egyptian troops crossed the Suez Canal in 1973, using pressurized water to destroy a sand wall and breach the Bar-Lev Line erected by the Israelis as an impenetrable barrier against ground attack.

The canal crossing is considered one of the great military achievements since the end of World War II. Col. Said said from what he can see, the Iraqi defenses do not stand up to what the Israelis had erected against Egypt.

''There is no way you can compare the two of them,'' the commando leader said. ''The Bar-Lev Line was much much bigger, much stronger than this one.''

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(DEC. 4) UPI - A safety inspection team is taking a closer look today at a charred D-C-9 that collided with a Boeing 727 yesterday at Detroit Metropolitan Airport. The on-site probe will take four or five days, but it will be months before an official cause of the disaster is determined. Initial speculation centered on whether the pilot of the smaller jet became confused in the fog. The seven men and one woman who died were all aboard the D-C-9 bound for Pittsburgh. Authorities say all but one of the dead were found in the plane's aisles. The airline says one of the victims was a 43-year-old Northwest flight attendant with 22 years of experience with the airline.

At least nine storm-related deaths are reported in Wisconsin as parts of the state dig out from up to 22 inches of snow. That includes a record 17-point-three inches of snow in Madison that virtually shut down the capital city. Travel is still reported either hazardous or impossible in some parts of Wisconsin because of heavy snow. Seven of the deaths are linked to snow shoveling and at least 10 people are reported to have lost fingers or parts of fingers in accidents involving snow blowers.

Unusually high tides have caused Providence, Rhode Island, to use its flood water barrier for the first time since 1985. The tides pushed water in upper

Narragansett Bay to six and one-half feet above the average sea level mark and that automatically kicked on two of the five pumps at the Fox Point Hurricane Barrier. The 26-year-old barrier protects 280 acres of land in downtown Providence. Without it, the financial district could be under as much as three feet of water.

Arab foreign ministers are meeting in Cairo again today, holding talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. There was word from yesterday's meeting that the envoys agreed to intensify diplomatic efforts to dislodge Saddam Hussein's army from Kuwait before a U-N-imposed January 15th deadline. Apparently as part of that agreement, a Middle East news agency is reporting that Jordan's King Hussein and Yemen's vice president flew to Baghdad today. One Arab diplomat in Cairo says the king may be trying to persuade Saddam to be more flexible in upcoming talks in Baghdad with Secretary of State Baker.

Japan says its economic growth slowed in the third quarter of this year to an annual rate of four-point-one percent. That's down from a five-point-five percent rate in the second quarter of 1990. One economist, Robert Alan Feldman of Salomon Brothers Asia, says the slowdown actually is a good sign for Japan and will help keep a lid on inflation.

Four years of trade negotiations have become deadlocked on the politically sensitive issue of European farm subsidies and there are warnings that the talks with 107 nations may collapse. The breakdown in Brussels, Belgium, comes as the United States and other farm exporting countries reject a proposal from the 12-nation European Community. The E-C has come under intense pressure to reduce the massive support it gives to its farmers.

Singer Billy Joel's ''Storm Front'' tour may be very aptly named. Joel and his 15-member band and crew spent an extra day stranded in Ames, Iowa, because of blizzard-like conditions that closed the Des Moines airport Sunday night. The delay cut short what was to have been a three-day break from Joel's 15-month tour of five continents. Joel's group did manage to get out last night and will resume their tour Thursday at Indianapolis.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 4) UPI - One guerrilla was killed and two Israeli soldiers were slightly wounded late Monday in a confrontation in Israel's self-declared ''security zone'' in southern Lebanon, an army spokesman said Tuesday.

The Israeli force was carrying out ''initiated operations'' in the security zone's western sector when it encountered guerrillas and opened fire, the spokesman said. In the exchange, one of the guerrillas was killed and the soldiers wounded, the spokesman said.

Earlier Monday, South Lebanese Army soldiers killed five Lebanese gunmen in a

firefight in the security zone. It was not immediately clear whether the gunman killed by the Israeli soldiers was Lebanese or Palestinian.

Last week, five Israeli soldiers and two Palestinian gunmen were killed in the security zone, which Israel established in 1985 in an effort to place a buffer against its border to halt infiltrations and attacks against Israeli targets.

''The activities of the (Israeli) force last night represent an additional and continual link in the series of the initiated operations that the Israel Defense Force carries out against terrorists trying to infiltrate into Israeli territory and to carry out strikes on innocent citizens along the northern border,'' the Israeli army spokesman said in a statement.

U.N. spokesmen reported heavy Israeli military artillery fire north of the security zone for approximately five hours late Monday and early Tuesday. The Israeli army spokesman declined comment on the report.

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(DEC. 4) UPI - Earthquake fever in seven Midwest states diminished to a mere subject for conversation Tuesday, even though the man who predicted the tremor said the chance for a major shaker would continue until Wednesday.

Many reporters and camera crews packed their bags and left New Madrid, Mo., the town that had become ''earthquake central.'' Most of those residents who had taken a day off because of the prediction returned to work.

The town of 3,300 people is located on the volatile New Madrid Fault, an underground system that runs from Illinois to Arkansas and through another five states.

New Mexico climatologist Iben Browning had predicted a 50 percent chance of a major quake between last Saturday and Wednesday along the fault, which saw one of the nation's worst earthquakes in the early 1800s.

Monday was the most likely day for the shaker, according to Browning, but that day came and went with quietly with the streets crowded with media representatives and tourists but not a tremor in the earth. Bored reporters waiting for ''The Big One'' ended up interviewing each other.

''I just hope we don't let all of the preparations we've made since Browning's forecast fall by the wayside,'' said New Madrid's Mayor Dick Phillips, noting the record number of visitors in town for the ''quakewatch.''

Schools in New Madrid and in several other states remained closed Tuesday but most planned to reopen Wednesday.

Many school officials and parents decided to keep their children home Monday. Attendance at elementary schools in St. Louis is normally 94 percent but officials said it ranged from 50 to 70 percent. Across the river in Alton, Ill., one-fourth of the 7,300 students stayed home, most of them because of the earthquake prediction.

Traffic in the St. Louis area was also noticeably light, something officials chalked up to concern over a possible tremor.

In Marissa, Ill., classes went on as usual Monday and Tuesday, but only because Superintendent William Gullick's crew of animal observers reported no suspicious behavior that might predict an earthquake. Gullick said weird behavior could have spelled a quake and trouble for the 805 students in his district.

''We had asked everyone to monitor the behavior of the animals and we kept the schools open since we had nothing untoward reported, no unusual behavior,'' Gullick said. ''What we're talking about is atypical behavior that lasts for a long period of time.''

Gullick, however, said he was not ruling out Browning's prediction of a possible quake on Dec. 31 along the New Madrid Fault. He said he and local farmers would be watching the animals for signs.

''We are also going to try to have a better awareness,'' Gullick said. ''What we've all learned from this is better preparedness on the part of the schools and villages for any disasters.''

Browning has made several other predictions of possible earthquakes in the next two years, basing them on tidal forces. However, leading U. S. scientists have said those projections have no scientific basis even though they themselves have predicted a good chance for a major temor on the New Madrid Fault in the next 10 years.

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BEIJING (DEC. 4) UPI - The Public Security Ministry has ordered police and other security workers to ''widely, thoroughly and solidly love the people'' for one month early next year, it was reported Tuesday.

The campaign is part of a determined but frustrating national bid to rout corruption and arrogance from China's security forces, the object of widespread public loathing and resentment.

China's flagship Communist Party newspaper People's Daily announced the new effort in a story headlined: Promote a Campaign to Love the People - Build a Secure Environment.

''The central content of the activity is to strengthen the construction of honesty in government, to correct unhealthy professional tendencies and to maintain close ties between the police and the people,'' the newspaper said.

A circular issued Monday orders police nationwide to ''widely, thoroughly and solidly love the people for one month during the 1991 New Year and Spring festivals,'' the daily said.

The Spring Festival, celebrated in late February, marks the start of the Chinese lunar new year and is the most festive season of the ancient Chinese calendar.

The circular ordered security organs to undergo rigorous self- examination and self-correction and to check what officials refer to as the ''three chaoses'': unauthorized accepting of funds, meting of fines and sharing of official costs.

It said police should make special efforts to overcome the public's impression that they are ''cold and hard,'' without letting up in their regular duties in other public security campaigns.

These include the ''Hit Hard'' anti-crime campaign, the ''Sweep up Pornography'' effort and the yearlong battle against the ''Six Evils'' - prostitution, selling women and children, gambling, narcotics, pornography and superstition.

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OMAHA (DEC. 4) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 500; steers and heifers steady; slaughter cows not established; slaughter classes steers choice No 2-4 1100-1350 lbs. 80. 50-82.00, select 76.50-79.50; heifers choice No 2-4 950-1250 lbs. 80.50-81.50, load 82.00, select 76.50-79.00.

Hogs 900; butchers 1.00-1.50 lower, No 1-3 220-260 lbs. 49.00-49.50, No 2-3 260-290 lbs. 46. 50-48.00; sows 40 percent, steady to weak, No 1-3 350-500 lbs. 43.00-43.25, No 2-3 500 650 lbs. mostly 44.00.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (DEC. 4) UPI - Saddam Hussein's systematic destruction and looting of Kuwait may not leave much for U.S.-led forces to liberate if they opt for military sanctions to dislodge Iraq from Kuwait.

Recent reports in Arab newspapers and testimony from refugees still fleeing

the Iraqi-occupied emirate lead exiled Kuwaitis to believe that Saddam's forces continue to ''terrorize the population and conduct a systematic program of theft and destruction.''

The U.N. Security Council, which Thursday endorsed military sanctions against Iraq unless it withdrew from Kuwait by Jan. 15, has already condemned Baghdad for looting the emirate and destroying its demographic records.

The Security Council resolution of last October made it clear that Iraq would be held responsible for destroying records, forcing Kuwaitis out of their own country and relocating them against their will, and seizing and destroying public and private property.

The resolution has apparently failed to persuade Iraqi authorities to relax their grip on the emirate, which one Cairo newspaper described as an attempt to reduce Kuwait to "a wasteland, apart perhaps from its oilfields and a port.''

One Saudi Arabian official told Riyadh Radio recently that Iraq succeeded in reducing the emirate's population from 1.9 million people before the Aug. 2 invasion to as few as 250,000-500,000.

Iraq's apparent determination to devastate Kuwait involves a two-pronged effort to deport or relocate the emirate's indigenous population while stripping it of all assets that may be useful to Iraq, the Saudi official added.

He said terror remains one of the tools the Iraqis use to force Kuwaitis to leave or obey occupation troops, and cited the example of Nabil Akel, a Lebanese engineer who fled Kuwait with his family three months after the invasion.

Akel, asked by a Kuwaiti friend to find a relative's body, pretended to be a Palestinian and was given permission by Iraqi authorities to visit Kuwait's skating rink, being used as an overspill morgue.

"The stench was so appalling that I could not force myself through the door," Akel was quoted as saying. ''Bodies were spewed all over the rink on the gray and mushy ice. There was a truck outside waiting to carry the bodies away.''

Akel said one person, found carrying 150 Kuwaiti dinars after Saddam declared the currency illegal, was sprayed with bullets.

The full extent of Iraqi killings in Kuwait remain unknown, although the Kuwaiti Embassy in Damascus estimated Iraqi troops had killed some 4,500 people since Aug. 2.

Arab radio stations report that what they describe as Saddam's reign of terror

in Kuwait continues systematically, citing numerous examples of Iraqi troops and security personnel trying to intimidate the population.

Methods of intimidation include being trigger-happy and generally lawless, and human rights groups have accused Iraqi troops of random murders in the streets and during house searches and of executing people in front of their families and then burning down their homes.

Despite Saddam's decision last month to remove his cousin as governor of occupied Kuwait, refugees and other reports say Iraqi troops and security forces are still shooting and torturing people to maintain obeisance to Saddam.

In addition, Iraqi authorities are continuing their policy of turning Kuwait from a thriving commercial center into a hungry, unhealthy wasteland by looting private and public property, causing serious food shortages and deliberately interfering with essential services.

Refugees quoted in Egyptian and Saudi Arabian newspapers say huge consignments of loot from Kuwait are taken to Iraq by road convoy daily and apparently nothing is too large or too small to be stolen.

The looting is so indiscriminate that much valuable equipment has been broken or abandoned, or was incompatible and could not be used when it reached its destination, they say.

One aspect of Iraq's looting has been the destruction of the emirate's medical services, once among the best in the world. Cairo newspapers reported that the Iraqi pillage has continued, despite international protests, with hospitals and doctors' surgeries stripped of equipment and patients, including geriatrics, physically handicapped people and the insane turned out into the streets.

In addition to the lorry-loads of Kuwaiti hospital equipment, drugs and other medical provisions rumbling on the Kuwaiti-Baghdad highway, refugees report the looting of incubators, dialysis machines, blood banks and radio therapy machines used in treating cancer.

Looting of arthritis tablets has left them priced at $4 per tablet, according to exile Kuwaiti newspapers, and the only medical equipment left intact is for the use of Iraqi troops and their supporters.

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#90338u1213 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Three days after the United States won the Davis Cup for the first time in eight years, Tom Gorman was rewarded when he was reappointed captain of the 1991 team.

''Tom has brought America's Davis Cup program to heights all of us are extremely proud of,'' David Markin, president of the U.S. Tennis Association, said Tuesday. ''He has shown sensitivity and leadership in what is a very public position and we are pleased to have him as our captain.''

This will be Gorman's sixth year as team captain. In the first five years under his guidance, the United States compiled a 10-4 record, including last weekend's Cup-winning victory over Australia at St. Petersburg, Fla. The Americans also reached the semifinals in 1989.

Gorman, a member of the 1972 championship team, is the 35th U.S. Davis Cup captain. He also led the U.S. men's Olympic team in 1988 and the U.S. women's Federation Cup and Wightman Cup teams.

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SOFIA, BULGARIA (DEC. 4) UPI - President Zhelyu Zhelev Tuesday denied reports he has files showing the former chairman of Bulgaria's opposition movement was a secret police informer.

Zhelev was asked about the sudden resignation this weekend of Petar Beron as chairman of the Union of Democratic Forces during an interview with United Press International.

Zhelev, the founder of UDF and its leader until parliament elected him state president in August 1990, denied reports in the Western media that he had been given files last week proving links between Beron and the hated secret police.

But asked if there was any truth to the allegation, Zhelev said, ''Perhaps.''

''I think he resigned because he is not going to be prime minister,'' the president said.

Later in the interview, asked once more whether Beron was a police informer and whether this led to his resignation, Zhelov said, ''No comment.''

A source close to Zhelev suggested if he had wanted to categorically deny the rumors about his colleague, he would have done so.

Beron was touted as a likely candidate for premier following the resignation last week of Andrei Lukanov and his government of former communists.

Zhelev said it is likely the new prime minister, whom he will nominate following consultations with the nation's leading political forces, will not be from any of the main political parties.

''There are various candidates, various opinions, but the most likely choice

is that the prime minister should be a neutral prime minister,'' he said. ''He shouldn't be connected with either of the two major political forces.''

Several political leaders in Sofia, speaking on condition of anonymity, said dossiers on as many as 52 UDF leaders with possible secret police connections may be circulating in Sofia.

Last summer, the Socialist Party newspaper Duma claimed a number of opposition figures were secret police informers.

One leading figure affirmed privately that as much as one-fourth of Bulgaria's parliament, the Grand National Assembly, could be tainted.

''So far its just rumors,'' said Leah Cohen, a UDF parliamentarian. ''In the other (communist) half of parliament, there are a lot of people who are quite openly still employed by the secret police. It's a big system that worked absolutely everywhere.''

Beron's resignation, made Sunday at a meeting of parliamentarians and regional leaders, was announced Monday at a UDF news conference.

He had been offered as the UDF's candidate for prime minister after the resignation of the government of Socialists - as the communists now call themselves - following a general strike over scarce food and energy supplies.

Beron's announcement that he was resigning to devote more time to his career as an entomologist took UDF leaders by surprise. Several said that as late as Friday, he continued to express interest in leading a UDF government.

The Socialist Party spokesman, Dimitar Yonchev, called it ''disgusting'' how public figures are treated.

''I don't think you should accuse one without proof,'' he said.

But Politburo member Philip Bokov speculated the rumors were true.

''In the last three months he's been mentioned twice as the UDF candidate for prime minister and suddenly he decides to step down,'' Bokov said.

''I don't see him stepping down just to study insects. Perhaps his reasons are not quite so innocent.''

Parliamentary committees are grappling with what to do with Interior Ministry files on the former behavior of Bulgarian citizens.

Bulgaria's leading political forces are meeting this week to try to formulate a new government structure, and Zhelev is expected to nominate a prime minister soon.

Another Socialist Party leader, Krasimir Premyanov, said the new government could only be transitional, and would need both technical experts in the ministries and senior leaders of the main parties as deputy prime miniseters.

''It must be strong enough to implement reforms and to command people's confidence,'' he said. ''A government of only experts cannot do this because it needs parliamentary support.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) UPI - The Navy said Tuesday it has ordered the retirement of one admiral, censured and transfered another, and disciplined a third for not adequately warning senior Pentagon officials of cost overruns in the A-12 Avenger aircraft program.

Navy Secretary Lawrence Garrett III reported the disciplinary actions in a memo to Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, made public following an inspector general's investigation of the history of reporting program problems to senior officials.

Ordered to retire effective in February was Vice Adm. Richard Gentz, commander of the Naval Air Systems Command.

Censured and transferred to other duties was Rear Adm. John Calvert, the program executive officer.

And censured and given new job reporting requirements was Capt. Lawrence Elberfeld, the program manager. Elberfeld already had been approved for promotion to rear admiral and will be allowed to retain his star.

Although the report was harsh, it said no evidence was found of any intentional effort to surpress word that the program was running well over budget.

The report also said the head of Pentagon buying programs, John Betti, was aware of the higher estimates but, rather than trying to figure out why a special analysis of the cost came up $1 billion higher than Navy figures, he relied on contractor and Navy assurances the program could be completed within cost estimates.

In a statement, Cheney said Deputy Defense Secretary Donald Atwood will review the A-12 program and ''related personnel and acquisiton issues'' and make recommendations for corrective actions to Cheney next week.

In late April, the Defense Department released its ''major aircraft review,'' examining a variety of aviation programs, including the A-12, and concluded

the program was doing fine.

Three weeks later the two contractors working to develop the carrier- based stealth attack bomber - General Dynamics and McDonnell Douglas - publicly reported overrun troubles. The report said the analyst who developed the estimate made the overrun conclusion in late March.

The nearly $5 billion development program is now forecast to be somewhere around $6 billion.

The inspector general found that the information on cost problems was known within the aviation program, but did not make its way to senior officials with suffient emphasis to raise alarm bells before the major aircraft review was completed.

Rep. Andy Ireland, R-Fla., a member of the House Armed Services Committee who has examined the issue, said top Pentagon officials repeatedly ignored substantial evidence of at least $1 billion in cost overruns in the program.

Ireland said Betti had been alerted to the likelihood of huge cost overruns but failed to alert the secretary of defense. As a result, Cheney gave the program a clean bill of health in testimony to the House Armed Services Committee April 26.

Ireland said the report demonstrates ''that there is a fundamental flaw in program accountability at the Defense Department.''

''I believe that it is part of a bigger problem with independent cost estimating procedures at the Pentagon that violate existing law. The same people who are responsible for buying major weapons systems are given oversight authority to determine whether those programs are keeping within their budget. Program managers are giving assurances about contractors' adherence to budgets based largely on the word of the contractors themselves. It is a process ripe for abuse.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - USX Corp.'s fourth-quarter will be the year's best, thanks to the rise in oil prices since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the chairman of the nation's No. 1 steelmaker said Tuesday.

In comments to reporters prior to his annual outlook presentation, USX Chairman Charles Corry said, ''The fourth-quarter, I would expect, should be the best quarter of the year for us - the strongest quarter.''

Corry said USX, which has substantial oil and gas interests, has benefited from the dramatic increase in oil prices following Iraq's Aug. 2 military

takeover of Kuwait.

He added, ''This is an excellent year'' despite problems with Carl Icahn, USX's largest shareholder who succeeding in compelling the company to put its steel operations on the auction block. ''This company is doing extremely well '' Corry said.

He would not give specific projections on the quarterly or yearly results, saying USX still had the month of December to finish out the fourth quarter.

For the first nine months of 1990 USX earned $551 million, or $2.10 a share, down from $721 million, or $2.82 a share, in the year-earlier period. Nine-month sales rose to $5.11 billion from $4.42 billion in the same 1989 span.

Asked if it was only a matter of when USX would divest itself of its steel operations rather than if, Corry declined to comment.

The chairman confirmed, however, USX had held talks with London-based British Steel plc on the purchase of the Pittsburgh-based company's steel operations.

The talks with British Steel are no longer underway, he said.

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LONDON (DEC. 4) UPI - Sometime before Christmas, Britain's Persian Gulf troops will get a special yuletide shipment from home - mince pies, holiday pudding, rock 'n' roll videos and tapes, party streamers and balloons.

The mission is being sponsored by the notoriously rowdy British tabloid press, not usually noted for good deeds.

Not to be outdone by U.S. soldiers, swamped with mail and gifts from home, the tabloids came up with the plan to ship Christmas gifts to British troops stationed alongside U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia.

One special cargo of good cheer, code-named Operation Mince Pies, will bring 96,000 mince pies, traditional fare they are not likely to get from army rations, to the British boys. That's six pies for every British soldier.

''We knew the boys would be feeling miserable away from their families and friends. So we've pulled out all the stops to help give them the best Christmas possible,'' said The Daily Star, one of the tabloids involved in the program.

The newspaper got the producers of Mr. Kipling's Deep Mince Pies, filled with fruit filling and seasonings, to provide 80,000 pies, and the supermarket

chain ASDA to chip in with another 16,000 pies.

The British soldiers got wind of the tabloid Santas' plans, and asked for a special shipment of 16,000 rolls of Trebor Extra Strong Mints - to take away the taste of water purifying tablets they use in the Saudi desert.

Party streamer manufacturers also got involved, and British soldiers will be whooping it up with streamers, balloons, funny noses and party blowers, provided there is no outbreak of hostilities.

''We sincerely hope that all our friends in the gulf come home with nothing more than a decent suntan,'' said members of rock band Status Quo, who are sending their records and tapes along with other British megastars like George Michael and David Bowie.

Another tabloid, The Sun, most noted for its recent campaign against European unification and sponsoring a movement to shout obscenities in unison against European Community officials, will ship 16,000 traditional Christmas puddings to the British troops.

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LONDON (DEC. 4) UPI - Stock prices closed lower in dull trading Tuesday on the London International Stock Exchange as Persian Gulf concerns and a wilting British pound hurt investor confidence.

Stocks also eased in Frankfurt. Trading was described as quiet.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which gained 13.3 points Monday, lost 16.4 points to 2,146.3. The narrower top 30 industrial average fell 13.7 points to 1,681.6.

Volume amounted to around 473 million shares compared with 326 million shares changing hands Monday.

Analysts said stocks fell on news the United States will send an additional 63,000 troops to the Persian Gulf region.

Market watchers explained the additional troops weakened sentiment as the deployment undercut previous hopes for a peaceful solution to the crisis.

Additionally analysts said the recent fall of the British pound undercut investor hopes of a drop in Britain's interest rates before Christmas.

Poor corporate earnings reports also dampened enthusiam, analysts said.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Trafalgar House, the property, leisure

and shipping conglomerate, surged 32 cents to $3.63 despite reporting a 57.4 percent drop in pre-tax annual profits. The company did however boost its annual dividend payment to shareholders by 4.5 percent.

British Aerospace fell 16 cents to $9.95 in the wake of its recently announced plant closures in its defense contracting divisions.

Imperial Chemical Industries, the bellweather chemicals group, slumped 25 cents to 16.72.

EuroDisney climbed 21 cents to $18.50, boosted by support from European buyers.

Elsewhere, oil stocks reflected sluggish international oil prices. British Petroleum eased 2 cents to $6.53 while Shell also slipped 2 cents to $8.83.

On the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, the closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 21.35 points Monday, fell 16.24 points to 1,446.34.

Analysts said stocks eased as local investors focused on the realities of reunification following Chancellor Helmut Kohl's victory on Sunday.

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(DEC. 4) UPI - A team of investigators from the National Transportation Safety Board will spend much of the day going through the gutted ruins of a D-C-9 at Detroit Metropolitan Airport. The Northwest Airlines plane erupted in a ball of flame yesterday after being struck by a Northwest Boeing 727 that was taking off. Eight people died and 21 others were injured. The 727 was traveling approximately 140 miles an hour when it clipped the D- CT-S-B investigator Robert Benzon says the probe will focus on how the D-C-9 got onto the takeoff runway.

Residents of the Wynwood area north of downtown Miami are picking up the pieces today following a night of rioting, looting, arson and rock- throwing. A mob estimated as high as 300 ripped through the mostly Hispanic neighborhood after a federal court jury cleared six Miami police officers in the beating death of a Puerto Rican drug dealer. Police dressed in riot gear clashed several times with the looters, some of them wearing masks fashioned from paper bags and T-shirts.

The Commerce Department reports the sale of new, single-family homes dropped to a seasonally adjusted rate of 491-thousand in October. That's 23 percent below October of last year. And the average price of the home that sold was 157-thousand 500 dollars. At the same time, the goverment revised the September selling rate to show 509-thousand homes were sold.

Another group of Americans is home again after four months of being held

hostage by Iraq, their freedom apparently negotiated by boxing champ Muhammad Ali. At least six of those freed are Texans apparently were held at a chemical plant in Iraq where they had worked. The former hostages said they were NOT mistreaed by their captors. Ali went against State Department warnings on travel to Iraq to meet with Saddam in Baghdad. A spokesman says Ali plans to return to Baghdad at Christmas in hopes of bringing out more hostages.

Police in Northern Ireland say a new father died in a hail of gunfire as he went to feed the family pet in a rural town northwest of Belfast. Authorities say last night's shootiong took place near where a former soldier was killed Saturday by the outlawed Irish Republican Army. They say the latest killing apparently was a random target for the terrorists fighting to liberate Northern Ireland from British control, the 74th victim to be killed this year.

Two would-be entrepreneurs were re-thinking their plan in a Chicago jail today. Police say they acted on a tip and raided a North Side apartment last night... uncovering a makeshift clothing store, complete with signs pointing out special sales on half-a-Million dollars worth of allegedly stolen goods. The apartment was filled with racks of name- brand clothing... and was decorated to put shoppers in the Christmas mood. Police call it a ''highly organized fencing and shopping organization.''

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MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY (DEC. 4) UPI - President Bush said Tuesday he does not believe that Saddam Hussein ''has gotten the message'' of the U.N. resolutions demanding the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

Bush told a news conference in the Uruguayan capital a few hours after his arrival on the second day of his six-day Latin American swing that he agrees with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney who said he did not think sanctions alone will work against Iraq.

Cheney made the comments in testimony Monday before the Senate Armed Services Committee.

And Bush said, ''I don't agree with them,'' when asked about the testimony of two former chairmen of the Joint Chiefs of Staff - Adm. William Crowe and Gen. David Jones - that the United States should give as much as a year or more for the economic sanctions imposed by the U.N. to work.

''I am convinced that Saddam Hussein has not gotten the message,'' Bush told reporters. ''I don't think Saddam Hussein understands'' the impact of the U.N. resolutions condemning his Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. ''I hope he gets the message.''

''You know,'' he added, ''I've not been the one who's convinced that sanctions

alone will do the trick.''

Bush said he sent Cheney a note saying he had done ''a superb job'' in his testimony before congressional critics. He said he also congratulated Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, who appeared with Cheney.

The president sidestepped questions on newspaper reports that the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council - the United States, Soviet Union, China, Britain and France - had agreed after approving the resolution sanctioning the use of force after Jan. 15 to offer not to attack Iraq in exchange for its withdrawal from Kuwait.

''I'm not in a negotiating mood,'' Bush said, adding that when he meets with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, ''I want to make clear to him the best thing is to go through with the U.N. resolutions.''

Last Friday, Bush offered to send Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad for talks with Saddam and said he would be willing to see Aziz in Washington. Bush's widely hailed invitation was accepted and the Iraqi official was expected to visit Washington as early as next week.

''Let's wait and see how these talks go,'' Bush added. ''But the message is get out (of Kuwait) and full compliance with the U.N. resolutions.''

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler told reporters Tuesday that the five permanent Security Council members met following the vote on the use of military force, but had reached no agreement.

However, observers said that the no attack pledge was implicit in the resolution.

On related issues, Bush was adamant that the Palestinian question is ''totally separate'' from the Persian Gulf crisis. ''I think people around the world know of our interest'' in solving the Middle East problem, he said but added, ''There will be no linkage, no linkage whatsoever, and in the talks we have there will be no linkage.''

Saddam said that he wants the Palestinian issue discussed in tandem with other gulf questions when he meets with Baker.

Asked what he is doing to bring about a reduction in oil prices and an easing of the economic burden the sanctions against Iraq have placed on small countries, Bush said, ''I can try to make clear that there is no oil shortage today, and hopefully some of those speculators will ... see that it is true.''

But he stressed, ''I can make clear it is not going to go on forever.''

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BEIRUT, LEBANON (DEC. 4) UPI - Thousands of Syrian-backed Lebanese army troops have deployed in Beirut and replaced the war-torn city's militiamen, relieving residents but posing a question: Will the shaky peace survive?

Responding to big promises by leaders, many civilians have removed sand-bagged barricades that served as shields against gunfire in front of their shops and on balconies, but some have refrained from doing so.

Although warring Christian and Moslem militias had officially declared they disbanded ''military operations'' in Beirut, citizens remained skeptical. The militias battled for control of the city for 15 years, and finally withdrew completely from Beirut this week.

''It's relieving to see Lebanese troops on streets again, but we must remain cautious. We had many bad experiences in the past,'' said Hasan Salman, a shopkeeper in the Moslem market place of Barbir.

The shopkeeper was reluctant to remove a 6-year-old large anti- shrapnel cement wall in front of his barracks-like shop.

Salman's view was shared by many Beirutis who experienced many futile peace efforts in the past to end the civil war that erupted in 1975.

A militia-free ''greater Beirut'' has been a big slogan raised by several governments throughout 15 years of warfare.

Krikor Wartanian, who shuttles between his home in the predominantly-Christian east Beirut and his hairdressing shop in mainly-Moslem west Beirut in defiance of dangers, expressed optimism.

''I think there is a lot of credibility in these measures. The United States and Syria have put weight behind the implementation of the peace plan,'' Wartanian said.

Two recent devastating wars that pitted followers of ousted Gen. Michel Aoun against Syrian troops and Christian militiamen brought the Beirutis' lifestyle to the lowest ebb.

Because of chaos and massive damage, the residents were deprived of normal civic services, notably the distribution of water and electric power.

Until now, drinking water reached houses once or twice a month. Thousands of private electric generators roared for many hours every day, puffing poisonous gases that mingle with an outrageous stench from piles of garbage on the streets.

But a number of people feel more secure. ''Thank God, now we can sleep without the nightmare of being hit by shells and rockets, and that's a big gift,'' said Elian Haddad, the mother of three children.

During Aoun's six-month-long war against the Syrians that ended in September 1989, Beirut was heavily pounded with big shells and rockets, forcing civilians to huddle in ill-equipped, damp underground shelters or flee the city.

The civilians's morale improved against the backdrop of widespread scars of war. One would hardly find a building in Beirut that was not hit with shrapnel. In many areas along the line between east and west Beirut, only cats and rats roam alleyways among crumbled buildings.

Civilians living in apartment houses in back roads along the ''Green Line'' feel jubilant because the recurring sniper fire that constituted a daily fatal agony is gone.

''It's like magic. I had blocked my windows with sandbags for a long time. They became part of the furniture,'' said Ghazi Assi, who lives in Khandak Al Ghammeek near the demolished downtown where Christian and Moslem gunmen fought one of their fiercest battles.

Assi, a father of two children, said the ''fear of sniper fire suddenly vanished.''

In the nearby Ras Al Nabeh neighborhood, that was once inhabited by some 80,000 Christians and Moslems, violence has inflicted massive damage.

''It's unbelievable. Many Christians and Moslems come to the neighborhood, hug shake hands and recall old good days while inspecting the remains of their properties,''said Mukhtar Kanj, 50, a gray-haired barber in Ras Al Nabeh.

Kanj, known by Beirutis as ''the barber of militiamen,'' has stubbornly maintained his business in the ''war zone region'' despite recurring battles.

As civilians fled, gunmen became Kanj's sole customers.

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ATHENS, GREECE (DEC. 4) UPI - The government of conservative Prime Minister Constantine Mitsotakis introduced a bill in parliament Tuesday banning the publication or broadcast of statements by terrorist groups in the media.

The bill also permits the authorities to intercept letters, telegrams, telex messages and other communications of suspected terrorists, and lifts the confidentiality of their bank accounts.

Public Order Minister Ioannis Vassiliades said the bill followed the pattern of similar legislation in Germany and Italy but was milder in form.

Greece was the only European country without such legislation, and this contributed to the delay in eradicating terrorism in the country, he said. Last week Mitsotakis said terrorism had made dangerous headway in Greece in recent years.

The draft legislation, titled the ''Bill on the Protection of Society Against Organized Crime,'' provides for a ban on the publication or broadcast of statements by terrorist groups in the media.

It covers a wide range of organized criminal offenses, but concentrates mainly on terrorism, which has grown in Greece since 1974, when a U.S. diplomat was assassinated by left-wing terrorists in Athens.

The government introduced the bill after repeated appeals by Mitsotakis's daughter Dora Bokoyannis for newspapers not to publish the statements that terrorist groups usually issued after assassinations or bomb blasts.

Bokayannis, a member of the Vouli, or Greek parliament, said newspapers publishing the statements of terrorist groups gave undue publicity to them and encouraged them to commit further atrocities.

Bokoyannis began making the appeal after her husband, Paul Bakoyannis, also a Vouli deputy, was assassinated in September 1989 by the terrorist group calling itself ''November 17.'' Some Greek newspapers ignored her appeal.

The anti-terrorism bill provides for fines ranging from $32,000 to $320,000 on newspapers violating the ban for the first time, and $320, 000 to $640,000 the second time. Radio and television stations risk having their licenses suspended for up to six months for defying the ban.

The bill allows for bank deposits to be blocked if they ''are linked in any way with crimes committed'' by terrorists or other members of organized criminal groups, ''or are destined to be used for the perpetration or facilitation of crimes.''

The draft legislation allows for a pardon to anyone who voluntarily leaves a criminal organization and provides information to the authorities about its structure, members and activities.

It allows for rewards of at least $160,000 to people who are unconnected with criminal activities but who ''make an important contribution to the arrest of perpetrators of these crimes,'' whether the suspects are on the list of wanted criminals or not.

The left-wing parties in Greece warned earlier that the bill may infringe on the rights of law-abiding citizens, but Mitsotakis said the legislature would be within the bounds of the Greek Constitution.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 4) UPI - Prosecutors in the trial of 10 soybean traders at the Chicago Board of Trade said illegal trading practices helped the traders and hurt customers.

Closing arguments in the two-month-old trial began Monday and were expected to take several days. The defendants are accused of defrauding customers by breaking exchange rules.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Mark Rotert disputed defense arguments that customers were not harmed.

''What happened in this case was that these 10 men, each and every one of them on a regular and recurring basis, took this risk and passed it on,'' he said.

Rotert said the illegal practices not only violated exchange rules, but federal law as well.

Attorneys for each of the defendants will have an opportunity to speak during closing aruments, followed by a government rebuttal, so the case was not expected to go to the jury for several days.

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LUSAKA, ZAMBIA (DEC. 4) UPI - The Zambian Parliament unanimously approved a bill Tuesday allowing for the formation of political parties for the first time in 17 years, meeting the demands of a growing movement opposed to President Kenneth Kaunda.

The assembly voted 108-0 for removing the ban on political parties. The bill will be sent to Kaunda, who has 21 days to sign it into law.

Kaunda, who led the southern African nation to independence from Britain in 1964, imposed one-party rule a decade later but has faced in the past year a growing campaign of agitation by the Movement for Multi- Party Democracy in Zambia.

While remaining opposed to a multi-party system and vowing to guide his ruling United National Independence Party to yet another victory in elections as early as next year, Kaunda agreed to the constitutional amendment.

A week of bloody anti-government rioting in June prompted Kaunda to propose a national referendum for August 1991 to test support for a multi-party state. But after massive pro-democracy protests in September he decided to open the political process without a referendum.

The bill is not unanimously regarded as ideal, even within the ruling party. Several UNIP Members of Parliament challenged articles they thought would favor the ruling party in an election but voted for the entire bill Tuesday.

Earlier Tuesday, Kaunda announced a minor Cabinet shuffle and fired the editors of Zambia's two major newspapers without explanation after they became increasingly bold in their coverage of the multi-democracy movement.

Kaunda, known to place budding military men into the diplomatic service, unexpectedly dismissed his minister of defense, Lt. Gen. Hananiah Lungu, who was appointed in the wake of an abortive coup in June.

He was replaced by Dodson Siatalimi, presently minister of state for defense. At the same time, Kaunda also dropped Enos Haimbe, the minister of power, transport and communications, who is on study leave in Britain.

Komani Kachinga, for five years the editor of the nation's largest newspaper, The Times of Zambia, and Cyrus Sikaze, editor of the Zambia Daily Mail, were both dismissed by Kaunda without explanation. He said only they would be given ''other posts.''

However, The Times of Zambia, which is owned by Kaunda's ruling United Independence Party, and the government-owned Zambia Daily Mail had in recent months given prominent coverage to the opposition forces.

As replacements, Kaunda named Bwendo Mulengela, a lecturer in the University of Zambia's English department, to head The Times of Zambia, and Calvin Mutumweno, a lecturer at the UNIP ideological President Citizenship College to head the Zambia Daily Mail.

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NYSE Stocks - Mixed in light trading. Bonds - Lower. American Stocks - Mixed in light trading. London Stocks - Closed lower in dull trading. Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading. Dollar - Mostly lower against key foreign currencies. Gold Futures - Lower. Cotton - Mixed. Chicago Grain Futures - Lower. Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (DEC. 4) UPI - The Columbia astronauts coaxed a tempermental telescope mount into action Tuesday, passing close by the Soviet Mir space station as they struggled to erase a scientific ''goose egg'' with the start of routine astronomical studies.

After an around-the-clock effort to reprogram the $50 million telescope aiming system, astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman reported the computer-controlled device had successfully tracked from one target to the next without human intervention, a major milestone for the ''Astro- 1'' astronomy mission.

''What did you think? That was the first successful IDOP to IDOP,'' shuttle astronomer Samuel Durrance radioed scientists on the ground, using an acronym for ''identification operational'' that refers to automatic target acquisition.

''I wish you could have seen all the smiles downstairs,'' replied Patti Nordness from the Payload Operations Control Center in Huntsville, Ala.

Running more than a full day behind schedule because of problems activating the $150 million shuttle observatory, Columbia's seven-man crew spent the day coaxing the cantankerous Instrument Pointing System into operation and gathering priceless data about a variety of astronomical targets.

''We are operating in most cases in fully automatic modes,'' said flight director Granvil Pennington. ''This is allowing us to spend much more time on the targets. I think everybody's really enthused ... and ready to get on with it.''

While mission managers were optimistic about finally beginning routine operations, many planned astronomical targets have been lost because of the problems activating and using the four telescopes making up the Astro space observatory.

''I have to tell you, it's a big goose egg,'' mission scientist Ted Gull said of the flight's results over the first two days. ''But ... I think within the next day or two, we'll be over the 50 percent hump and observing effectively.''

The goal of the 38th shuttle mission is to study X-rays and ultraviolet light from more than 200 celestial bodies ranging from exploding stars and galaxies to possible black holes and enigmatic quasars to learn more about the structure and evolution of the universe.

Astronauts Hoffman, 46, Robert Parker, 53, and civilian researchers Durrance, 47, and Ronald Parise, 39 - all professional astronomers - are charged with operating the Astro 1 payload. Their crewmates - commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, and flight engineer John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44 - are responsible for routine shuttle operations.

While the astronauts were struggling to fix the IPS Tuesday, Columbia passed within about 43 miles of the Soviet Mir space station just a few hours after a Soyuz capsule carrying two cosmonauts and a Japanese journalist docked with the orbital outpost. Two other cosmonauts have been on board since Aug. 1.

''Well Vance, I'll bet you back there in 1975 you did not expect to be able to say hello to Soyuz again 15 years later,'' astronaut Story Musgrave in mission control radioed Brand, who first flew in space in 1975 as part of the historic Apollo-Soyuz orbital link up.

''Yeah, that's a fact,'' Brand replied. ''I don't know if we'll get to say hello or not, but right now we're sure trying to see him.''

''OK, we're all waving down here,'' Musgrave said.

At the mission control center in Houston, a computer-generated image of Mir was projected onto tracking charts and later, Hoffman said he was able to spot the Russian space station when it passed by some 30 miles overhead as the two spacecraft sailed over the South Pacific.

''I went over to the front of the orbiter and was able to pick it up in the gryo-stabilized binoculars,'' he told Musgrave. ''It was already going away from us and I was only able to pick up one point of light.''

Despite their struggle to activate the Astro observatory, Brand and his colleagues have taken time out throughout the mission to chat with family members and ''hams'' around the world as part of an amateur radio experiment. While they did not attempt to contact Mir Tuesday, they may do so later in the mission.

The primary goal of the year's sixth shuttle flight is astronomy, the most ambitious attempt ever made to study X-rays and ultraviolet light from deep space that is blocked by Earth's atmosphere.

The astronauts had hoped to activate the ship's payload Sunday and to begin around-the-clock astronomical observations early Monday. But they quickly fell behind schedule because of a variety of technical glitches that delayed the orbital observatory's check out.

The most significant problem involved the Instrument Pointing System, a European-built computer-controlled mount carrying three ultraviolet telescopes. The other telescope on board, one sensitive to X-rays, is mounted in its own cradle in the rear of the shuttle's payload bay.

The IPS is a complex device that uses senstive star trackers, gyroscopes and other gear to automatically find and lock onto various astronomical targets.

While the shuttle astronomers can manually guide the IPS from target to target

using a joystick and a computer keyboard, the process is too slow to allow them to complete the mission objectives in the 10 days allowed for the flight.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) UPI - In announcing a Center for Choice in Education on Tuesday, Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos lauded programs that permit children to choose the school they attend and chided teacher union opposition.

Various types of school choice programs exist nationwide, with seven states passing related legislation in 1990.

For example, in the state of Washington, students next year can transfer to schools within the district in which they live. Next month, students in Utah will be able to attend a school or program outside of their district. Minnesota, Arkansas, Iowa, Nebraska and Ohio have had interdistrict choice programs for some time.

''I am convinced that the radical restructuring of our education system through school choice and school-based management is the best way to reach our national education goals by the turn of the century,'' Cavazos told reporters in announcing the Center for Choice in Education.

The center, which Cavazos said will use existing departmental funds and staff, will provide the public with more information on choice through a toll-free hotline, 1-800-442-PICK, provide speakers and conduct workshops.

President Bush expressed his approval for school choice in a written statement.

''Where it has been introduced, choice has benefitted everyone involved - students, parents, teachers and the community,'' Bush said, adding it fosters excellence in education by promoting competition among schools.

But the movement has experienced some setbacks.

In Oregon, voters rejected a referendum on the November ballot to authorize school choice. And Milwaukee's program, which allows inner- city children to attend private school with state money, was ruled unconstitutional on a legal technicality, not on the plan's merits. The ruling is on appeal to the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

Cavazos, saying he knows his comments ''are going to get me in trouble,'' criticized ''organized education'' for its unwillingness to relinquish power. Most of the opposition has come from teachers' unions.

''There are too many people out there who want to preserve the status quo ... don't want to give up power,'' Cavazos said.

On Oregonians rejecting the referendum, Cavazos said, ''I really feel ... there was too much opposition from organized education. They were too organized,'' he said.

The president of the National Education Association, the nation's largest teachers' union, said Cavazos opened the school choice center to ''keep the issue alive'' since the issue is losing public confidence, as evidenced by the Oregon vote.

''This is a political issue, not an educational issue. As states get more strapped for money, you're going to see more choice programs because it's a lot cheaper than dealing with ... problems in schools,'' said association president Keith Geiger.

In a position paper, the American Association of School Administrators said efforts to improve public schools ''require constructive strategies ... not the tactics of abandonment.''

Cavazos said the abandonment of poor schools should be a signal that they are ''academically bankrupt.''

''For the first time, you have an opportunity to walk away from these schools '' the secretary said, adding states should provide equal funding to both inner-city and suburban schools so they can compete on equal footing for students.

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PARIS (DEC. 4) UPI - Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement said Tuesday the international community should make a ''subtle connection'' between the Persian Gulf crisis and other Mideast problems if Iraq proclaims its ''intention'' to retreat from Kuwait.

Chevenement told a parliamentary meeting of the Western European Union that ''the prospect of an international conference next year'' on all the problems of the region could facilitate an Iraqi withdrawal.

To avoid a war after Jan. 15, the U.N-set deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait before force is applied, ''It is necessary that Iraq affirm its intention to withdraw from Kuwait and a subtle connection must be posed with other problems'' of the region, Chevenement said.

This should be done by holding out the prospect of an international conference next year to resolve those problems, he said.

Chevenement, a former member of the Iraqi-French friendship association who

has been criticized for his dovish stance on the gulf crisis, spoke a short time after hardline Foreign Minister Roland Dumas, also at the WEU meeting, reiterated France's longstanding call for an international peace conference on the Middle East.

Dumas said the international community could not ''in the immediate future'' link the gulf crisis and other Middle East problems, but thataid once the crisis is over resolving those issued will be ''indispensable.''

'' Given the multiplication of conflicts in that region, it seems indispensable that the international community envisage one day a global resolution of all these crises,'' said Dumas.

He referred specifically to Lebanon and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, adding that ''many big countries agree, including the United States.''

Such a conference ought to be ''a great chapter under which one would hold sub-conferences,'' he said.

France and Saudi Arabia signed Tuesday the biggest arms deal between the two countries since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

The Thomson-CSF group will supply ground-to-air Crotale missile systems and launching stations in a sale worth $678 million, the company said.

''This equipment will be delivered as soon as possible,'' said the company statement.

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SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (DEC. 4) UPI - Rebels shot down a Salvadoran military plane Tuesday, the fourth army aircraft to be downed by guerrilla fire in a recent surge of fighting.

The army said it was not known whether anyone was killed in the downing of the U.S.-made AC-47 in La Laguna, about 35 miles north of San Salvador.

An army spokesman said rebels used a Soviet-made missile to bring down the aircraft during the second day of fighting in and around the town. The spokesman said 23 rebels have been killed or wounded since Monday in clashes between government troops and guerillas of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN.

Since launching a limited offensive Nov. 20, rebels have shot down an army helicopter, a reconnaissance plane, a jet fighter and the AC-47, which U.S. Embassy officials say is a cargo plane equipped with machine guns to assist ground troops.

Rebels say they possess Soviet-made SA-7 and SA-14 and U.S.-made Redeye surface-to-air missiles.

Military and diplomatic sources estimate that more than 200 people have died in the recent fighting.

Rebels say they launched the limited offensive to force the government of President Alfredo Cristiani to give concessions in peace talks.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 4) UPI - The management of now-troubled Great American Bank refused to heed warnings about the Arizona real estate market in the late 1980s and then sold off its best assets to keep the bad news quiet, it was reported Tuesday.

Great American, which last week sold its California branch operations to Wells Fargo amidst heavy losses, was caught in the Arizona slump only months after allegedly ignoring an in-house due-dilligence report and purchasing Home Federal Savings of Tucson in 1986.

The San Diego Daily Transcript reported that rather than cut its Arizona losses by taking an additional loss on bad Arizona loans, the thrift's executives kept profit reports up by selling off assets.

''The assets they sold were the good ones,'' a former Great American executive told the newspaper, ''so they were left with marginal assets.''

The crumbling of the nation's seventh-largest savings and loan manifested itself in a $263.4 million loss for 1989, one year after Great American reported $50 million in earnings.

The Transcript said that as the level of red ink rose, Great American could no longer block the bad news by selling off assets through its development arm, Great American Development Company.

An executive told the newspaper that squabbling over how large the losses would be in the thrift's quarterly results was based on protecting the image of the institution as well as the power base of the decision makers in the executive suite.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (DEC. 4) UPI - Worldwide shipments of semiconductor manufacturing equipment fell 6.7 percent in the third quarter, a trade

association reported Tuesday.

Third-quarter shipments dropped to $2.1 billion from $2.25 billion in the third quarter of 1989, according to Semiconductor Equipment and Materials International.

Shipments were up 3 percent from $2.04 billion in the second quarter, the group said.

The U.S. market, which has been soft for the last 18 months, dropped 8 percent from the second quarter to $780 million, SEMI said. The Japanese market grew 15 percent to $960 million, although 7 percent was due to currency appreciation. Shipments to the rest of the world were flat from the previous quarter at $360 million.

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UNITED NATIONS (DEC. 4) UPI - A U.N. General Assembly committee voiced its concern Tuesday about human rights violations in Iran and asked the Tehran government to investigate and rectify the situation.

The committee approved by consensus a resolution acknowledging ''important and useful information concerning a number of allegations about the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran.''

The General Assembly's Third Committee - which deals with social, humanitarian and cultural affairs - on Monday adopted overwhelmingly a resolution condemning Iraq for human rights violations in occupied Kuwait.

A total of 132 U.N. member states voted for the anti-Iraq resolution, which condemned Iraq's ''serious violations of human rights'' in Kuwait, including torture, arrests, summary executions, disappearances and abduction.

Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 and annexed the small emirate as its 19th province. The U.N. Security Council condemned the invasion and demanded an unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi troops.

In the meantime, the London-based Amnesty International issued a prepared statement for release Wednesday in New York calling for an end to the more than a decade of ''relentless and ruthless'' violations of the most basic human rights - including the execution of more than 5,000 people in the past three years in Iran.

The organization said Tehran's ''Death Commission'' sent half of the 5,000 people to death ''in a matter of months, in the most horrific wave of political executions since the early 1980s.''

It said 2,500 Iranian political prisoners were secretly killed in a space of a few months in 1988, ''many of them unjustly imprisoned for years before their eventual execution.''

''There is no justice in the way the Iranian government denies people their fundamental rights - and takes their very lives,'' Amnesty International said.

Massoud Rajavi, the leader of the Iranian resistance movement, the People's Mujahiden, said the adoption of the resolution by the General Assembly committee represented a defeat for the Iranian government.

''The mullahs ruling Iran signed the document of their global condemnation, thus inevitably testifying to their anti-human crimes and lack of legitimacy '' Rajavi said. Rajavi's brother, Kazem, was murdered in Geneva last April 24 for his attacks against Iran's human rights violations. Swiss police said the assassination was carried out by three Iranian gunmen.

The resolution against Iran's human rights violations acknowledged a report by U.N. special representative Galindo Pohl, a Salvadoran law professor, who visited Iran twice this year to investigate charges of human rights violations.

The committee welcomed the decision by Tehran to allow the International Commitee of the Red Cross to visit prisons in Iran. It called on Tehran to implement promtly the decision.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 4) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Tuesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	78.80	79.05	78.55	78.60	78.70
Feb	75.22	75.43	74.85	74.90	75.07
Apr	75.95	76.13	75.70	75.72	76.00
Jun	73.65	73.85	73.50	73.57	73.68
Aug	72.25	72.40	72.05	72.05	72.10
Oct	72.35	72.40	72.15	72.15	72.25
Dec	73.10	73.25	72.90	72.90	73.10

Est. sales 14,153 contracts; Monday 13,506; open interest 71,934 off 1,493.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	87.45	87.60	87.20	87.32	87.60
Mar	85.10	85.20	84.90	85.00	85.13
Apr	83.97	84.05	83.78	83.80	83.97
May	82.90	83.10	82.70	83.05	83.07
Aug	82.15	82.40	82.15	82.15	82.15
Sep	82.00	82.00	81.75	81.85	81.93

Oct 81.50 81.60 81.40 81.40 81.55
Nov 81.60 81.60 81.60 81.20 81.50 Est. sales 1,380 contracts; Monday 1,110; open interest 9,688 up 45.
 Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
Dec 50.20 50.20 49.20 49.30 50.63
Feb 47.70 48.05 47.20 47.25 48.08
Apr 45.55 45.80 44.75 44.78 45.70
Jun 49.47 49.70 48.60 48.85 49.72
Jul 49.78 49.85 49.00 49.05 50.03
Aug 48.60 48.75 47.80 47.90 48.90
Oct 43.95 43.95 43.25 43.25 43.95
Dec .... 44.50 44.60 Est. sales 13,439 contracts; Monday 7,092; open interest 28,251 off 585.
 Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 65.00 65.57 63.90 63.90 65.90
Mar 64.00 64.65 62.90 62.90 64.90
May 64.30 64.40 62.90 63.05 64.90
Jul 63.80 64.10 62.58 62.60 64.57
Aug 61.40 61.80 59.70 59.70 61.60 Est. sales 6,966 contracts; Monday 6,234; open interest 12,338 off 114.
 CARLOTS
 DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Tuesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 128.79 up 14 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 128.71 up 14 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 117.71 up 34 cents, 700-850 lbs. 116.96 up 14 cents.

Pork carlot trading light to moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins not fully established; Boston butts 2.50 higher; skinned hams 2.00 higher; seedless bellies .50 lower; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 98.00, 18-22 lbs. 100.00; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 81.00; hams 20-26 lbs. 87.00-90.00, bellies 10-12 lbs. 56.00, 12-14 lbs. 56.50-57.50, 14-16 lbs. 56.50-57. 50, 16-18 lbs. 54.50-55.00, 20-25 lbs. 46.00-47.00.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) UPI - Congress reached back to the Vietnam War Tuesday for answers on how to handle Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and the Persian Gulf crisis.

The answer, from such witnesses as former Defense Secretary Robert McNamara and historian and John F. Kennedy aide Arthur Schlesinger Jr., could be summed up in two words: ''very carefully.'' They urged patience in waiting for economic sanctions to take hold.

But President Bush, at a news conference Tuesday in Montevideo, Uruguay, said he agreed with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney that sanctions might not be enough to drive Iraq out of Kuwait.

Bush, on a six-day South American visit, said he did not believe that Saddam ''has gotten the message'' of the U.N. resolutions demanding the withdrawal of Iraqi forces.

Cheney expressed the same opinion Monday in testimony before the Senate Armed Services Committee, which ended its hearings on the administration Persian Gulf policy. He suggested quick military action might be necessary before the international coalition aligned against Iraq loses its cohesion.

McNamara, one of the early architects of the full-scale U.S. involvement in the Vietnam War, argued in testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee for restraint by the United States in handling the current crisis.

He derided those who talk of ''surgical air strikes'' against Iraq. He put the chances for such strikes achieving success at between 10 percent and 20 percent.

''It is far more likely,'' he said, ''that extensive military action, leading to heavy casualties on both sides would be required.''

Furthermore, McNamara said, ''The cost of military action will not only be counted in lives lost, but in the resultant political instability and possible chaos in the region.''

He said that the evidence is that the economic sanctions have been having a devastating impact on Iraq, causing a 40 percent drop in the country's gross national product.

''I doubt that any nation, as integrated into the global economy as Iraq, can withstand such economic restrictions indefinitely,'' McNamara said, and therefore the United States should not declare them a failure after only four months.

''Surely we should be prepared to extend the sanctions over a 12- or 18-month period if that offers an opportunity to achieve our political objective without the loss of American lives. Who can doubt that a year of blockade will be cheaper than one week of war?''

Schlesinger was equally grim and cautious. ''The republic finds itself today, to the bafflement of many Americans, on the brink of war in the Persian Gulf. Not all of us are sure why we are standing at the brink. Yet before we take a fatal plunge we must clearly grasp the reasons why.''

He was critical of the administration's reasons for U.S. involvement.

''In defining our stake in the Gulf, the administration's trumpet gives an uncertain sound. It has offered a shifting series of explanations - oil one day, collective security the next, jobs, regional stability, most recently the menace of nuclear weapons. The administration's failure to frame a coherent case only confirms the doubt of many Americans as to whether our national security is really at risk.''

He asked, plaintively, ''Why are we always the fall guys, expected to do 90 percent of the fighting and take 90 percent of the casualties?''

That thought had already been voiced by Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., who said, ''Our United Nations allies are more than willing to fight to the last American.''

Pell said the U.N. Security Council resolution, authorizing the use of force ''is an authorization and not a mandate. Prior to employing military forces ... the administration has a constituional obligation to seek and obtain the approval of the U.S. Congress.''

Schlesinger, whose recent books focus on the history of U.S. diplomacy, agreed: ''Should war be our destiny, let Congress rise to its constitutional responsibilities. ... The war-making power is a shared responsibility.''

He added, ''To give any president a blank check to go to war on his own motion is an abdication of constitutional duty and a victory for the imperial presidency.''

Schlesinger concluded his remarks, ''Before the Congress makes the fateful deciusion on war and peace, I hope that honorable members will take a few quiet minutes to revisit the Vietnam monument on the mall.''

The stark, black wall contains only the names of the more than 56,000 Americans who died in the war in Southeast Asia.

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MEXICO CITY (DEC. 4) UPI - U.S., Canadian and Mexican officials will meet next week in Washington to discuss ways of freeing up transportation services among the three countries, U.S. Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner said Tuesday.

''Based on these talks, we may well be in a position to establish a timetable for some fundamental changes as soon as free trade discussions get underway,'' Skinner said during an American Chamber of Commerce breakfast in Mexico City.

He said trade and transportation officials are scheduled to meet next Tuesday

to examine ways to open bus, rail and trucking industries in their countries to competitors from the other two countries.

U.S. Ambassador to Mexico John D. Negroponte said U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills, Canadian Trade Minister John Crosbie and Mexican Trade Secretary Jaime Serra Puche are meeting separately this week at world trade talks in Brussels to define a procedure for trilateral free trade talks.

Negraponte said, however, that trilateral discussions would be dismissed if they present problems for existing talks between Mexico and the United States aimed at establishing a free trade pact between the two countries.

President Bush met with Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari last week in Mexico to discuss trade and other bilateral issues. Bush and Salinas hope a free trade pact between the two countries will be in effect before 1993.

Canada and the United States signed a free trade pact in 1987 after four years of negotiations.

Skinner praised Salinas for opening the country's transportation sector but said U.S. trucking companies still complain of border delays and limited access to Mexico's interior.

About 85 percent of the $51 billion in U.S.-Mexico trade is carried out by trucking and rail, Skinner said.

Salinas has deregulated domestic trucking, allowed U.S. companies to transport products to and from U.S. industrial plants along the border and has increased private sector construction of roads and highways.

Skinner said transportation is the ''linchpin'' of a successful free trade pact. He said his department hopes to settle remaining transportation disputes between Mexico and the United States prior to the signing of a free trade accord.

''We don't want the free trade agreement to be hampered by issues not covered in the agreement,'' he said, adding that he did not know how extensive transportation would be covered in a trade pact.

Skinner also said he signed a memorandum of understanding Monday with his Mexican counterpart, Caso Lombardo, that clears up rules for U.S. charter and tour bus operations in Mexico. He said he expects the clarification to increase bus tours to Mexico.

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NAIROBI, KENYA (DEC. 4) UPI - In a historic vote Tuesday, 3,600 members of

Kenya's sole political party endorsed major changes in the east African nation's election system and agreed that expulsions from the party would stop.

Delegates from the Kenya African National Unionvoted at the end of a two-day meeting in favor of all the recommendations in a report on the party compiled by Vice-President George Saitoti.

On the basis of those recommendations they made no change to the constitutional one-party state that prevails in Kenya, but the vote, a first for KANU in the 27 years of Kenya''s post-independence history, sweeps away two aspects of the country's parliamentary electoral system widely criticized by government opponents as susceptible to vote fraud.

Kenyans vote in two rounds for their members of Parliament and the first round is open to party members alone. Until Tuesday, candidates were shortlisted by a process known as ''queue-voting'' in which voters stood in line behind the candidate of their choice.

The practice, under public fire for its lack of secrecy and for its abuse by bullying thugs hired by candidates, was abolished despite the fact that a large number of delegates spoke for its retention.

Along with it went a second rule that gave automatic election to anyone gaining 70 percent of votes at the ''queuing'' stage without having to submit to a second stage secret ballot.

President Daniel arap Moi, adressing delegates as they closed their deliberations in the capital Nairobi, said the government would work hard to make itself more accountable.

Speaking in Swahili, Kenya's national tongue, he said he had already set up a commission to investigate corruption, one of the greatest fears of the general public polled by Saitoti and a team of 16 KANU members in compiling their report.

The convention also endorsed an end to expulsions from KANU on the grounds that they were politically unfair in a constitutional one-party state. KANU plans to set up alternative disciplinary procedures for members who step out of line.

Kenya has had a turbulent year, with riots in February after the mysterious murder of Foreign Minister Robert Ouko, and again in July following a demonstration calling for multi-party democracy.

Two former cabinet ministers, Kenneth Matiba and Charles Rubia, both expelled from KANU under the old rules have been in detention for four months after lobbying hard for an end to the one-party state, instituted in 1982.

President Moi attacked foreign governments in his speech which he said were accusing him of running a dictatorial state. He said the convention showed Kenya was run by its people.

Delegates endorsed a motion supporting the government for breaking diplomatic relations with Norway last month because of the Scandinavian country''s alleged interference in Kenya''s internal affairs.

Norway protested over the jail treatment of a Kenyan dissident, previously resident in Norway, who had smuggled himself and a quantity of arms into Kenya.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 4) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dc	2.46 1/2	2.47 1/4	2.43 1/4	2.44 3/4	2.47 1/2
Mr	2.64 1/4	2.64 1/4	2.59 1/2	2.61 1/2	2.64
My	2.71 1/2	2.72	2.67 1/4	2.68 3/4	2.72
Jly	2.77 1/2	2.77 1/2	2.73	2.74 1/4	2.77 1/2
Sp	2.82 1/2	2.82 1/2	2.79 1/2	2.79 1/2	2.83
Dc	2.94	2.94	2.90 3/4	2.91	2.94 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dc	2.31 1/2	2.31 1/2	2.27	2.28 1/4	2.30 1/4
Mr	2.39 1/2	2.39 3/4	2.36 3/4	2.37 3/4	2.38 3/4
My	2.46 1/4	2.46 1/2	2.43 1/2	2.44 3/4	2.45 1/2
Jly	2.51	2.51 1/2	2.49	2.50 1/4	2.50 3/4
Sp	2.51 1/4	2.51 3/4	2.49 3/4	2.50 1/4	2.50 1/2
Dc	2.50 1/2	2.51 1/4	2.50	2.50 1/4	2.50 1/4
Mr	2.56 1/2	2.57 1/4	2.56 1/2	2.57	2.56 3/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dc	1.13 1/4	1.13 1/2	1.10	1.11 1/2	1.13 3/4
Mr	1.23 1/4	1.24	1.20 1/2	1.22	1.23 1/2
My	1.29	1.29	1.26 1/2	1.26 3/4	1.28 1/2
Jly	1.33 1/2	1.34	1.32 1/2	1.33	1.34
Sp	1.39	1.39	1.37 1/2	1.37 1/2	1.38 1/2
Dc	1.46 1/2	1.46 1/2	1.46 1/2	1.46 1/2	1.47 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Jn	5.98 1/2	6.05	5.95 1/2	6.01 1/4	6.01 1/4
Mr	6.14	6.20	6.10 1/2	6.16 1/4	6.15 1/2
My	6.26 1/2	6.33 1/2	6.24 1/2	6.29 1/2	6.29

Jly	6.37	6.43 1/2	6.35	6.40 3/4	6.38 1/2
Ag	6.39 1/2	6.44	6.37	6.40	6.42
Sp	6.29 1/2	6.33	6.27	6.29 3/4	6.29 1/2
Nv	6.24	6.29 1/2	6.23	6.27 1/4	6.24 3/4
Jn	6.36 1/2	6.42 1/2	6.36	6.37 1/2	6.36 1/2
Mr	6.48	6.52 1/2	6.48	6.49 1/2	6.49

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dc	21.40	21.60	21.20	21.57	21.49
Jn	21.70	21.79	21.41	21.77	21.72
Mr	22.00	22.08	21.70	22.06	22.04
My	22.25	22.35	22.00	22.33	22.32
Jl	22.50	22.53	22.24	22.49	22.58
Ag	22.50	22.50	22.20	22.35	22.50
Sp	22.45	22.45	22.20	22.32	22.50
Oct	22.25	22.30	22.25	22.30	22.50
Dc	22.30	22.30	22.15	22.22	22.35
Jn	22.15	22.25	....	22.20	22.35

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dc	178.00	179.50	176.40	177.50	179.70
Jn	180.00	182.50	178.80	179.60	181.50
Mr	185.50	187.90	183.80	184.60	187.00
My	187.00	190.50	186.80	187.90	189.50
Jl	189.50	193.00	189.50	190.70	189.50
Ag	192.00	193.00	190.50	191.90	186.00
Sp	187.00	190.50	187.00	190.50	185.50
Oct	187.00	188.00	187.00	187.00	187.00
Dc	189.00	190.00	189.00	189.80	190.00
Jn	188.00	189.00	....	188.50	186.50

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CHICAGO (DEC. 4) UPI - Steady selling activity throughout the day pressured the grain market Tuesday on the Chicago Board of Trade, although soybeans rebounded during the closing minutes.

The grains were mostly lower in relatively quiet trading, while soybean complex futures were mixed.

Widespread selling in soybeans was attributed to profit-taking after sharp gains Monday. But a late recovery in soybean oil and meal from session lows carried over to the soybeans, triggering fairly active buying.

Limited activity on European markets also kept soybean prices on the defensive.

Losses in corn and wheat were limited by light deliveries of the December

contracts. News that Morocco was in the market for 360,000 tons of wheat provided underlying support for wheat futures.

Interior and Gulf basis levels improved slightly during the day on the continued lack of country movement.

At the close, corn was down 2 to up 1/4, soybeans up 2 1/4 to down 2, wheat off 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 and oats down 1 to 2 1/4.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Middle age, generally associated with increased security, has become a period of severe financial strain and lowered job, income and retirement savings prospects, a survey of family physicians, internists and psychiatrists reported Tuesday.

The survey by the American Board of Family Practice, headquartered in Lexington, Ky., said 68 percent of the 300 doctors interviewed by telephone by the Daniel Yankelovich survey organization last August agreed that their middle-aged patients are facing serious pressures, particularly a financial squeeze caused by family caretaking.

The doctors mentioned the strain associated with taking care of both adult children and aged parents as one of the major problems facing the middle aged in America.

Yankelovich President Madely Hochstein noted that two thirds of all Americans over age 45 have at least one living parent or older relative and 6 percent aged 45 to 64 have a dependent older relative living with them.

''These proportions will increase with rising life expectancy, placing greater emotional, financial and direct caretaking burdens on the middle years,'' Hochstein said.

According to the survey, 54 percent of the physicians surveyed believe it is likely that middle-aged people face lower job and income expections. The respondents mentioned skyrocketing health care costs as a continuing source of serious financial strain.

Fifty-nine percent of the physicians agreed that long-term health care should be the responsibility of federal, state or city government, and 69 percent said said catastrophic care should not be the burden of the aged or their children.

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MIAMI (DEC. 4) UPI - Caribbean leaders, policy makers and businessmen gathered Tuesday at the 14th annual Miami Conference on the Caribbean to discuss developments in international trade and regional economic issues.

Organizers said about 1,800 people were expected to take part in the four-day conference, which is sponsored by the non-profit organization Caribbean Central American Action.

Honduran President Rafael Leonardo Callejas was scheduled to deliver the opening keynote address Tuesday night, but an organizer said the president's appearance was in doubt because of flooding in Honduras.

Other Caribbean leaders expected to attend this year's conference include Nicaraguan President Violeta Barrios de Chamorro, Panamanian Vice President Guillermo Ford, Gov. Rafael Hernandez Colon of Puerto Rico and Prime Minister Nicholas Brathwaite of Grenada.

The conference opened this year as trade negotiators from around the world met in Brussels to conclude the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, or GATT.

Closer to home, President Bush toured South America promoting his ''Enterprise for the Americas'' initiative for economic cooperation in the hemisphere.

Organizers designated Friday as the conference's policy day and scheduled discussions on the Bush initiative and its implications for Caribbean nations.

Other topics on the agenda at this year's conference include the U.S. sugar program and the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Expansion Act enacted by the United States in August to replace the original Caribbean Basin Initiative.

Workshops and discussions on tourism, agriculture, manufacturing and regional debt also were featured as part of the four-day program. A trade exposition of Caribbean products and services was to run throughout the conference.

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DHAKA (DEC. 4) UPI - President Hussein Muhammed Ershad, facing widespread disbelief in his offer to resign and still escalating public protest, Tuesday called a special session of Parliament for Saturday to nominate his replacement.

Ershad, speaking on nationwide television for the second straight night, said he wanted to resign immediately and urged opposition parties to be ready by Saturday's session to nominate a vice presidential candidate who would run the country until new elections.

The two major opposition alliances, the Awami League and the Bangladesh Nationalist Party, which had rejected Ershad's initial offer of resignation Monday night and organized new public protests Tuesday, said they welcomed Ershad's new statement.

''President Ershad deserves praise for making the right decision, and he should abide by it,'' said Khaleda Zia, leader of the centrist BNP, who called Ershad's announcement a ''victory of the people.''

Sheikh Hasina, leader of the left-wing Awami League, said the opposition would be ready by Saturday to nominate its vice presidential candidate.

Earlier Tuesday, 19 lawmakers in Ershad's ruling Jatiya Party resigned their Parliament seats and hundreds of thousands of people jammed the streets of Dhaka, calling for the president's immediate resignation.

The protests came on the first day of a nine-day strike previously scheduled by the opposition parties as part of their stepped up campaign over the past three months aimed at forcing out Ershad.

Ershad, who seized power from an elected government in 1982, won a five-year presidential term in the 1986 elections that were boycotted by the major opposition parties.

Ershad last Tuesday imposed emergency rule, suspended fundamental rights, banned political activities and imposed news censorship.

The movement against Ershad's government escalated Tuesday with bureaucrats, journalists, university teachers and state-run radio and television workers calling for the withdrawal of emergency rule and Ershad's resignation.

The Bangladesh Civil Service Cadre Service issued a circular appealing to its members not to obey government orders that violated the constitution. Similar appeals were issued by the teachers association and employees of state-run Bangladesh Radio and Television.

Virtually all shops and businesses were closed in compliance with the strike and the streets of the capital mostly deserted.

The opposition has organized anti-government rallies and strikes since October and in the past two weeks about 50 people have been killed, 1,500 injured and nearly 3,000 arrested.

Opposition leaders early Tuesday called Ershad's first offer to resign, made in a 15-minute nationally broadcast address Monday night, a ''cunning plot to deceive the people'' since it gave no specific date for his resignation.

Ershad said Monday he would step down 15 days before the date of filing for

presidential nominations as established by the opposition.

''The elections will be held completely free and fair,'' Ershad had told the nation of 115 million people, apparently bowing to opposition demands that he step down and let new elections be conducted by an interim government.

''I have invited former U.S. President Jimmy Carter to be an observer and also asked Britain to send observers'' to monitor the elections, Ershad said. ''Any number of foreign observers can come and watch the election.''

Hasina, leader of the Awami League, an eight-party left-wing alliance, said in a written statement Tuesday that Ershad's offer to resign was a ''ploy to buy time and bluff the people.

''Our movement to unseat his government will continue,'' Hasina said.

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#90338u1476 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Gold futures closed Tuesday 180 to 230 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	378.00	380.30	377.30	378.90	376.60
Jan	....	....	....	379.60	377.60
Feb	380.30	381.80	378.80	380.50	378.50
Apr	382.50	384.80	382.00	383.50	381.60
Jun	385.70	387.60	385.70	386.60	384.80
Aug	390.00	390.00	390.00	389.60	387.80
Oct	393.30	393.30	393.30	392.80	391.00
Dec	396.00	396.00	396.00	396.10	394.30
Feb	....	....	....	399.40	397.60
Apr	....	....	....	402.50	400.70
Jun	....	....	....	405.90	404.10
Aug	....	....	....	409.50	407.70

Open interest: 108,262 up 6,316.

Estimated sales: 33,000 contracts.

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#90338u1488 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 3 to 5 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.81	9.86	9.70	9.71	9.76

May	9.87	9.90	9.77	9.79	9.82
Jly	9.93	9.94	9.81	9.82	9.87
Oct	9.93	9.94	9.80	9.83	9.87
Mar	10.00	10.00	9.92	9.92	9.96

Estimated sales: 12,965 contracts
Open interest: 107,652 off 708
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.75

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 9 points higher to 6 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	22.55	22.75	22.55	22.74	22.65
Mar	22.70	22.70	22.65	22.66	22.72
May	22.81	22.83	22.80	22.81	22.82
Jly	22.83	22.85	22.80	22.83	22.83
Sep	22.80	22.80	22.79	22.79	22.79
Nov	22.82	22.84	22.82	22.84	22.82
Jan	....	....	....	22.93	22.89

Estimated sales: 1,255 contracts
Open interest: 13,453 up 657

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#90338u1490 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 4) UPI - Safety experts report that installation of a sophisticated ground radar system might have helped avoid yesterday's airline collision in Detroit that claimed eight lives. But work on replacing the current system at Detroit Metropolitan Airport is NOT expected to begin until next year. It will replace an out-of-date system, allowing ground controllers to locate all planes either taxiing or waiting on runways.

Astronauts aboard the orbiting space shuttle Columbia have begun round-the-clock science observations after finally getting a 50-Million-dollar telescope-pointing system to work properly. And that means they can move ahead with the mission to view some of the most violent stars and galaxies in the universe. Columbia today passed within 33 miles of the Soviet Mir space station. But the close encounter went mostly UNnoticed by Columbia's crew as it hustled to get the mission back on schedule.

Eastern states are braced for what remains of a powerful snowstorm that marched through the Midwest yesterday, leaving snow, death and destruction in its wake. The Adams-Friendship area of Wisconsin was buried under 22 inches of snow and at least 15 deaths are reported throughout the region, many of them people who died trying to shovel snow from their property. Officials at the University of Iowa estimate damages at two-Million dollars after 10 inches of snow collapsed the plastic roof over the Hawkeye's indoor football practice

field in Iowa City.

The Consumers Policy Institue, a branch of Consumers Union, wants the government to take another look at the use of a synthetic hormone that makes cows give more milk. The consumer group wants to know if it is safe to drink milk from cows who are given the drug B-S-T. The request comes one day before two days of scheduled National Institutes of Health hearings on the subject. The Food and Drug Administration has yet to give approval for other than testing of the drug.

The New York Times says the head of New York public schools wants to allow distribution of condoms to high school students as a way to fight the spread of AIDS in teen-agers. The paper says students could obtain condoms even without parental consent under the plan by Schools Chancellor Joseph Fernandez. He is expected to suggest the plan to the Board of Eucation tomorrow. New York City is leading the nation in adolescent AIDS cases.

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#90338u1507 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

GOLD & SILVER

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	380.75 off 4.00
Morning fixing	377.00 off 3.75
Afternoon fixing	377.60 off 3.15
Close	377.75 off 3.00
Paris	379.08 off 7.06
Zurich	377.00 off 4.50
Hong Kong	376.65 off 4.70
New York	
Comex spot close	378.90 up 2.30
Republic cash	377.25 up 1.75
Handy and Harman	377.60 off 3.05

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 378.89 off 3.06 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 397.83 off 3.22 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.151 up 0.013
Republic cash	4.175 up 0.02

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.15 per fine ounce up 0.03

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.175 up 0.02 and

a price for fabricated silver products of 4.467 up 0.21

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 427.00 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 527.00 off 1.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 93.50 up 1.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 108.50 up 1.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90338u1552 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

ORLANDO, Fla. (DEC. 4) UPI - The average price of regular gasoline sold nationwide rose last week, but not as much as some might have predicted, the American Automobile Association said Tuesday.

The average price of regular unleaded gasoline sold at self-service pumps rose 2.1 cents a gallon during a week in which federal gasoline taxes jumped 5 cents a gallon, AAA said. The tax took effect Saturday.

The latest surge brought the nationwide price to $1.387 a gallon, or 31.2 cents a gallon more than on Aug. 1, the day before Iraq seized Kuwait, the organization said.

AAA said its most recent gasoline price survey showed that the average retail price would have declined in the past week without the federal tax increase.

Instead, the average price rose in all regions of the country, AAA said.

The extra tax boosted the total federal levy to 14 cents a gallon.

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#90338u1554 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 4) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.31 1/2-2.36 3/4 up 3/4 to off 2 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.92 1/4- 5.98 1/4 up 1 to unchanged.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.24 3/4-2.29 3/4 up 3 to off 1 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.35 1/4-2.39 3/4 off 2 to

up 1/2.

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#90338u1555 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA (DEC. 4) UPI - Banks reopened, road blocks lifted and the Buenos Aires downtown airport went back into operation Tuesday one day after the government put down an 18-hour military revolt by dissident officers.

About 19 people - six civilians and 13 soldiers on both sides - died in day-long fighting Monday until the rebels surrendered their last stronghold, the army command building, just before dark.

A relative calm Tuesday was broken by an early morning bomb blast that damaged the facade of the Bank of Boston in downtown Buenos Aires, police said.

Police in La Plata, 35 miles south of Buenos Aires, said they deactivated a bomb in front of Lloyds Bank.

It is not known who placed either bomb.

Military sources said a handful of rebel soldiers in three armored vehicles who had eluded a loyalist attack at a tank factory north of Buenos Aires were captured Tuesday at a ranch on the pampas that surround the capital.

The Buenos Aires downtown airport, the Aeroparque, closed Monday to enable the government to fly loyalist troops to the capital, was reopened Tuesday, as were banks that had also been closed in the crisis.

Police roadblocks near the army command building, captured temporarily Monday by the rebels, were removed.

In fact, it would have been hard for an outsider to detect any outward sign of Monday's crisis in the downtown area except for an occasional army tank column on patrol, with soldiers wearing a white ribbon on their sleeves.

The white ribbons distinguished the loyaliss from the rebels, who respond to an ultrarightist, nationalist faction of the army that is demanding a change in the army command.

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#90338u1565 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
NICOSIA, CYPRUS (DEC. 4) UPI - Refugees who recently fled Kuwait recounted Tuesday tales of rape, murder and hunger at the hands of the Iraqi occupation forces.

''If you are a Kuwaiti and you are caught trying to get out of the city, they

drag you out of your car and beat you up. I have seen it happen many times,'' said Mohamed Al Ansari, 34, an Egyptian doctor who worked at the Al Salmia Medical Center in Kuwait.

Ansari was one of four people who recently escaped the occupied emirate to speak at a news conference in Nicosia.

''Iraqis show no respect for sick people,'' he said. ''I saw them wrench Kuwaitis off life support machines and snatch babies from incubators in order to take away the equipment.

''There's killing, looting, rape, breaking into homes. There's nothing to eat. There's no medical care and there are enormous queues for petrol,'' he continued.

A middle aged Kuwaiti who identified himself only as Abdullah told in choked voice how one of his friends was murdered.

''He was doctor Ali, a medical officer in the army. He worked in one of the few hospitals still functioning. He was told that his father and family would be tortured and when he surrendered they tied his arms and legs to two jeeps and he was torn apart in front of his parents and his brother. It was a horrible sight.

''His parents were then shot dead. Friends who tried to bury the bodies were not allowed to do so,'' he said.

Refugees fleeing Kuwait have told similar tales of brutality by Iraqi troops, which invaded the emirate on Aug. 2.

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#90338u1589 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 4) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $17 to $21 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 3.10 cent lower to 3.95 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.45 higher to 0.60 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.15 cent higher to 0.04 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.80 to $2.30 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $4.60 to $5.40 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.90 cent higher to 0.10 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 13.0 to 15.0 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.003 to 0.005 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90338u1593 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

N'DJAMENA, CHAD (DEC. 4) UPI - Chad's new military ruler Iddriss Deby, appealing to ''sons of Chad to forgive and unify,'' declared himself president Tuesday, three days after chasing out the government of President Hissene Habre, a statement released by his entourage said.

Deby, Habre's former military commander who invaded the central African desert state Nov. 10, issued a decree declaring that the Executive Committee of his Libyan-backed Patriotic Salvation Movement had become the Council of State with powers of government and that he had become president of the Council.

In a message to the nation to be read on national Chadian radio, Deby described Habre's seven-year rule as a dictatorship under which ''people did not have the right to think. Mere reflection was interpreted as opposition and the perpetrators were persecuted to death.''

He accused Habre of stealing from state coffers and blaming him for the country's lack of development.

"This country has been bruised over many decades by the visions of the selfish setting one group against another, one region against all other regions.

''The MPS invites all the sons of Chad to forgive and unify, to put right all of our problems with a democratic voice,'' he said.

He went on to say ''military success should not let us believe that the war is over. We have to get rid of all the demons of the dictator,'' he said.

Deby promised to establish a democracy based on political pluralism. The new system would result in freedom of association and expression as well as press and religious liberty. The political police are to be disbanded after seven years under Habre, he said.

Government will be de-centralized and the economy will be developed so that all regions will benefit.

Both public and private sectors will be encouraged. French and Arabic are to remain the official languages but indigenous African languages will be encouraged, he said.

Soldiers and French Foreign Legionnaires patrolled the near-deserted sand-swept streets of Ndjamena Tuesday. Nearly 5,000 people fled to neighboring Cameroon over the week-end as the government of Habre faded away.

Members of Habre's Anakaza tribe said they will not return to the country. Habre fled with close aides, ministers and family members to Cameroon. It is not known if he has asked for political asylum but some diplomats suggested he may go on to Niger.

At the French military base at N'Djamena, French military doctors are treating wounded former troops of Habre and followers of Deby. French military personnel refuse to distinguish between them.

''They are all Chadians,'' one French military source said.

France was accused by a former Habre minister of plotting to overthrow the Habre government. Deby Tuesday also fired military commanders and top civil servants who served under his predecessor. On Monday he dissolved the National Assembly and suspended the constitution.

Deby said he would replace all military commanders as well as departmental prefects and ministers and civil servants.

In Paris, French Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement said 40 percent of the equipment used by rebels to take control of the country over the week-end was supplied by Libya.

Deby released some 450 Libyan prisoners captured by his deposed predecessor Hissene Habre.

Western diplomats said the new leader is evidently trying to set Chadian-Libyan relations on a new footing. The two countries have been at odds over the mineral-rich Aouzou Strip in northern Chad. In 1983 and again in 1986 France had to send its army to stop Libya from running over its southern neighbor.

On Monday Deby, who has promised free elections, dissolved the National Assembly and suspended the Chadian constitution.

A statement from Deby's Popular Salvation Movement justified the move by calling the institutions ''fictitious and inoperative'' and ''the abuses of a delinquent dictatorship.''

Chevenment said in a French television interview that 40 percent of the equipment used by the rebels was Libyan, contradicting statements by Deby, who claimed that his sophisticated military equipment was captured from the Chadian army.

''The regime of Hissen Habre fell much faster than we had expected,'' Chevenement said. "We did not allow Hissen Habre to fall. We simply gave orders that our Jaguar (combat planes) not bomb or shoot at Idriss Deby's men.''

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#90338u1607 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (DEC. 4) UPI - The deeply troubled Bank of New England Corp. said Tuesday it had agreed to settle charges by the Securities and Exchange Commission that it had misled investors and the SEC last year about its financial problems.

"The issues that are being reviewed by the SEC relate to our financial disclosures in 1989," said James Dorsey, a company spokesman. "We have agreed to a resolution whereby the company would consent to an SEC enforcement proceeding," he said.

However, Dorsey declined to disclose specifics of the tentative agreement or what the SEC enforcement proceeding might do until it is approved by the agency's commissioners. A spokesman for the SEC, John Heine, declined to discuss the investigation except to say that no agreement had yet been reached by Tuesday.

The banking company's financial condition - based on its quarterly reports to stockholders and the SEC - deteriorated so rapidly in 1989 as to raise questions about whether management had withheld information as its enormous real estate troubles developed.

Despite reporting profits in the first three quarters last year, the company stunned the financial community with a staggering $1.2 billion loss in the last quarter of the year. For all of 1989, Bank of New England lost $1.1 billion. Also, nonperforming assets skyrocketed $2.25 billion in just the last quarter.

The banking company, then the region's second largest by virtue of more than $31 billion in assets, further disclosed it was seeking to sell some $6 billion in assets in a bid to raise its dangerously low capital levels. Since then, Bank of New England has sold off various profitable assets to shrink to about $23 billion and is still losing money.

"We have cooperated fully in this SEC investigation and we have been disussing a settlement of it with the SEC staff," Dorsey said. Dorsey took pains to

distance the banking company's current chairman and chief executive officer, Lawrence K. Fish, and other top executives from the presumed misdeeds of 1989.

The issues raised by the SEC "do not in any way involve matters during 1990 or have to do with the company's new management team," Dorsey said. "They are issues that relate to a different era and a different time for us."

Fish was hired in March to take over after the previous chairman, Walter J. Connolly, had been forced out and federal regulators imposed far-reaching restrictions on the company's operations.

Meanwhile, still pending are more than a dozen stockholder suits filed late last year that charge the corporation misled them and the public at-large about its financial condition.

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#90338u1618 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Tuesday it will offer $20 billion in 13- and 26-week T-bills at its weekly auction next Monday to raise $1.775 billion in new cash.

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#90338u1619 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1013.1
Monday	1017.0
Week ago	1022.9
Month ago	1031.7
Year ago	1049.9
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1011.3

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#90338u1620 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.16

60 to 89 days 7.88

90 to 119 days 7.70

120 to 149 days 7.68

150 to 179 days 7.57

180 to 270 days 7.46

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.13 - 7.75

Issuers 30 days 8.06

Issuers 90 days 7.80

Issuers 270 days 7.40

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.42

60 to 89 days 8.18

90 to 119 days 8.12

120 to 149 days 8.05

150 to 179 days 8.00

180 days 7.95

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 9-16 - 7 11-16

1 month 8.375 - 8.50

3 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

6 month 8.875 - 8.00

Year 8.75 - 8.875

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.02 - 7.00

6 months 6.89 - 6.87

Year 6.80 - 6.78

Federal Funds: High 7 1/2, Low 7 1/2, Close 7 1/2.

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.692 off 0.058.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90338u1622 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	68 1-8	up 1-4
AT&T Company	30 1-4	up 1-8
BCE Inc	33 7-8	off 1-4
Bell Atlantic	54 3-4	up 1-4
BellSouth Corp	54 1-8	up 3-8
Exxon Corp	50 3-8	off 3-8
Ford Motor Co	27 5-8	up 1-4
Genl Electric	55	up 5-8
General Motors	36 1-2	up 3-8
GTE Corp	29	unch
IBM Corp	114 1-2	up 1 1-8
Mobil Oil Corp	58 1-8	off 1-2
Nynex Corp	70 7-8	off 1-2
Pac Gas & Elec	25 3-8	up 3-8
Pacific Telesis	45 3-8	up 1-4
Phila Electric	17 3-8	up 1-2
Sears Roebuck	26	off 1-4
Southern Co	27 1-2	up 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	55 1-2	up 5-8
US West Inc	37 3-8	up 1-8

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#90338u1623 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Two young men accused in the 1989 racial slaying of a black teenager by a baseball bat-wielding mob of white youths in Brooklyn were acquitted Tuesday of murder and manslaughter charges.

The panel deliberated just two hours before returning the verdict for Joseph Serrano and co-defendant James Patino.

Both young men were also cleared of rioting and menacing, but the jury found Serrano guilty of fourth-degree possession of a weapon - a baseball bat.

Serrano and Patino were accused of murder, manslaughter and other charges in the Aug. 23, 1989, shooting death of 16-year-old Yusuf Hawkins.

The black teen and three of his friends, who had gone to the neighborhood to look at a used car, were confronted by a white gang of bat-wielding youths who mistook them for another group rumored to be looking for trouble.

Serrano, 20, who faces up to a year in jail and $1,000 fine for the weapons possession conviction, said, ''I'm sorry for what happened to Yusuf Hawkins, but I had nothing to do with it.''

Said Patino, 25, ''I'm very happy about what happened.''

The Hawkins family was not present in the court when the verdict was returned, but both defense lawyers and their clients hugged each other after the acquittal was announced.

The case against Serrano and Patino was heard by one jury. Another panel was expected to begin deliberating murder, manslaughter and riots charges against John Vento, 21, another young man charged in the attack, late Tuesday or Wednesday.

The trial was the fourth against eight young men accused in the slaying of Hawkins, whose death inflamed racial tensions throughout the city and triggered demonstrations and protests, some of them violent.

The first two defendants in the case, Keith Mondello and convicted triggerman Joseph Fama, stood trial before different juries last spring.

Vento, who had initially agreed to aid the prosecution case but then reneged, was acquitted of an intentional murder charge last June 3, but was being retried on a second murder charge as well as other charges.

The prosecution's case was hurt last week when Justice Thaddeus Owens, who has presided over all of the trials, dismissed the most serious charge -

intentional murder - against Serrano and said he would set aside any ''depraved'' murder or manslaughter convictions against both of them.

Three more of the original eight Bensonhurst defendants have yet to stand trial, a case expected to be presented in January.

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#90338u1646 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2579.70	up	14.11
20 Trans	881.84	up	9.80
15 Utils	212.71	up	0.94
65 Stocks	904.81	up	6.09

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#90338u1647 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Tuesday	2579.70	up	14.11	881.84	up	9.80	212.71	up	0.94
Monday	2565.59	up	5.94	872.04	up	19.04	211.77	off	0.32
Week ago	2543.81	up	10.64	839.13	up	3.33	209.13	off	1.57
Month ago	2485.15	off	17.08	844.12	off	6.47	213. 09	off	1.57
Year ago	2741.68	off	11.95	1220.84	up	3.20	228. 06	off	0.18
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90338u1653 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Tuesday - $37,060,000

1990 to date - $10,141,644,000

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#90338u1655 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 4) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Tuesday - 10,260,000

1990 to date - 2,297,670,000

The market closed higher.

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(DEC. 4) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 178.19 up 1.12
ASE Market Value Index 302.64 up 0.04
Dow-Jones Industrial 2579.70 up 14.11

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#90338u1660 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 13,130,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,120,395,415
Bonds - $4,250,000
1990 to date - $693,638,000

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#90338u1661 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	79,357,248	18 3/4	off 1/2
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	53,590,352	56 3/4	up 1 3/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	52,678,708	74 1/2	up 5/8
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	48,379,512	38 1/2	up 3/8
Intel Corp	(INTL)	45,887,492	38 1/4	up 1/2
St Paul Cos	(STPL)	34,460,936	65 1/4	up 3/4
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	29,849,906	20 3/4	up 1/2
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	29,279,268	33 1/4	up 1/4
Utd Hlthcare	(UNIH)	28,412,962	21 3/8	up 1 3/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	27,551,282	35 1/2	up 1/2

Composite Index 160.51 up 1.31

NMS volume 103,612,904 shares.
Advances 846
Declines 634
Unchanged 1,293
Total 2,773

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#90338u1662 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 4) UPI - President Bush told a crowd at the Montevideo airport in

Uruguay today that he'd like to see free trade among all countries in North, Central and South America. Bush will meet with Uruguay's president today to discuss a plan to lower some trade barriers and re-negotiate external debt. As the Bush motorcade rode through the streets of the capital city, the curious, supportive and the critical lined the streets. Some waved flags and at least one person held a sign that read ''Yankee go home.''

Bush is scheduled to move on to Argentina Thursday... a country recently shaken by fighting between the government and dissident troops. At least eight people died in yesterday's uprising a troops loyal to President Carlos Menem crushed a coup attempt, using artillery, fighter bombers and small arms fire. Dozens more were wounded. White House spokesman Marline Fitzwater says the upheaval appears timed to embarrass Menem in advance of the Bush visit.

The Justice Department says the F-B-I has found NO evidence to support recent reports that a federal drug informant may have smuggled the bomb aboard a Pan Am flight that exploded over Lockerbie, Scotland in 1988. the explosion killed 270 people. Two networks reported in October that Pan Am flights from Frankfurt, West Germany, had been used several times by an undercover D-E-A operation to fly informants and suitcases of heroin into Detroit. The flights were part of an elaborate sting operation to snare Middle East drug dealers. The reports said drug operatives may have UNcovered the sting operation and retaliated by slipping a bomb, disguised as a portable radio, into a D- E-A operative's suitcase.

A military official in Bonn says more than 18-hundred American soldiers deployed in Saudi Arabia have been treated in U-S military hospitals in Germany since the start of Operation Desert Shield. Air Force Colonel Earl Ferguson says the troops have suffered injuries and diseases including broken bones, ear and throat infections, and psychiatric disorders. He adds that he has seen a lot of cases of heat exhaustion and a few pregnancies.

A 25-year-old Seminole County, Florida, woman is asking an appeals panel to overturn a lower court's ruling that she gave cocaine to her UNborn baby through the umbilical cord. Jennifer Johnson became the first mother in Florida convicted under a law normally reserved for drug pushers. Now, more than one year after that conviction, her lawyers are asking the 5th District Court of Appeal to decide whether that conviction should stand. The American Civil Liberties Union calls her prosecution UNconstitutional.

Most people are back at work in New Madrid, Missouri, today after taking a long weekend because of a prediction that an earthquake would hit the town. Many of the out-of-town reporters and camera crews are leaving the area... even though the man who made the prediction said the chance for a ''big one'' continues until tomorrow. The volatile New Madrid Fault runs from Illinois to Arkansas and through another five states.

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#90338u1667 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks	-	185,820,000 shares
1990 to date	-	36,917,931,681
Warrants	-	719,600
1990 to date	-	239,637,000

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#90338u1680 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 302.75, low 301.86, close 302.64 up 0.04.

There was no change in the average share price.

Volume 13,130,000 shares, compared with 10, 740,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	10
New Lows	37
Advances	251
Declines	300
Unchanged	246
Total Issues	797

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#90338u1682 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
MONTEVIDEO, URUQUAY (DEC. 4) UPI - President Bush took his South American tour to Uruguay Tuesday, urging support of his proposal for an economic trading zone in the Americas.

''This is an exciting time because we are entering a new era in Latin American relations,'' Bush said under bright sunny skies at the Carrasco Airport, 12 miles east of Montevideo.

''And that is why I thought it was so important to come talk face to face with the men and women who are going to lead this continent into the 21st century, to talk about key issues that concern all our nations,'' Bush said.

Bush said that during his one-day visit he planned to discuss with Uruguayan President Alberto Lacalle an effort to create a hemispheric economic network, unveiled in June, that includes lowering some trade barriers and renegotiating external debt.

''The ultimate aim is free trade for all the Americas,'' Bush said.

On a six-day trip to South America, Bush looked tanned and tired on his arrival at the airport following a one-day visit to Brasilia. At the airport, he received a 21-cannon salute from military troops in combat dress.

At a joint news conference with Lacalle, Bush said he does not believe Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''has gotten the message'' of United Nations resolutions demanding the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

Bush said he agreed with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney who has said that economic sanctions alone might not prompt an Iraqi withdrawl from Kuwait.

Bush also insisted that while the United States wants to see a resolution of the Palestian question, it is ''totally separate'' from the Persian Gulf crisis. Saddam has sought to link an Iraqi exit from Kuwait to an Israeli withdrawl from the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

''I think people around the world know of our interest,'' he said, in solving the Middle East problem. But, he insisted, ''There will be no linkage, no linkage whatsoever, and in the talks we have, there will be no linkage.''

Later Wednesday, Bush was to fly to the resort of Punta del Este, 84 miles east of Montevideo, to dine with Lacalle and spend the night in a 32-room mansion. Bush was scheduled to fly to Argentina on Thursday, followed by visits to Chile and Venezuela.

Bush made a special point of urging a successful completion of the current round of world trade talks that began four years ago in Punta del Este and are said to be in danger of collapsing this week in Brussels.

With the trade talks threatened by divisions over agriculture subsidies, Bush said the participating nations must seize their final opportunity to find the political will to limit or reduce distortions to free trade.

In his welcoming address, Lacalle also touched on trade issues with the proposed hemishperic economic zone and in the negotiations of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Nothing more important will happen for our country since the day of our independence (from Spain) than for us to enter into a trade association with Brazil, Argentina and Paraguay, Lacalle said.

Lacalle said that increasing economic ties with the United States is vital for his country's development, and said that Uruguayans share Bush's concern for the continuing GATT talks.

Uruguay, along with other neighboring Latin American nations, strongly supports the U.S. position to sharply reduce agriculture subsidies, which analysts argue cost developing nations millions of dollars each year in lost

trade.

Bush, riding in a special bullet-proof black limousine flown in four days before his Uruguay visit, and his motercade took a meandering route to the Liberty House, where Bush began a one-on-one meeting with Lacalle.

The curious, supportive and the critical lined the streets of downtown Montevideo waving flags and at one instance displaying a sign ''Yankee go home.''

The presidents are also likely to discuss Uruguay's recent acceptance as the newest Latin American country in the Brady Plan, which provides for renegotiating external debt.

Uruguayan negotiators have proposed three possible options for reducing its $6.9 billion external debt to a committee of 123 private creditor banks.

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#90338u1697 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 15 points higher to 4 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	75.80	75.90	75.60	75.90	75.88
Mar	73.85	73.95	73.50	73.88	73.76
May	73.69	73.70	73.35	73.48	73.48
Jly	73.45	73.45	73.22	73.35	73.25
Oct	67.75	67.80	67.75	67.73	67.77
Dec	65.30	65.35	65.10	65.27	65.12
Mar	66.05	66.25	66.00	66.11	66.01
May	66.20	....	....	66.43	66.40

Estimated sales: 3,600 contracts
Open interest: 40,241 off 714
The World spot average: 68.77

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.86	off 0.13
10 Public Utils	92.85	off 0.03
10 Industrials	88.88	off 0.23

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#90338u1703 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2563.86	2592.08	2534.65	2579.70	up 14. 11
20 Trans	870.56	888.68	864.09	881.84	up 9.80
15 Utils	211.02	213.53	209.51	212.71	up 0.94
65 Stock	897.41	909.68	888.79	904.81	up 6.09

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Tuesday	Monday
Indus	21,331,800	25,275,200
Trans	4,239,100	4,537,800
Utils	3,198,300	2,418,500
65 Stock	28,769,200	32,231,500

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.86	off 0.13
10 Public Utils	92.85	off 0.03
10 Industrials	88.88	off 0.23

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 124.42 up 0.49.

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#90338u1711 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 4) UPI - New evidence bolsters the view that dinosaurs and many other life forms suddenly disappeared 65 million years ago after a huge comet or asteroid struck Earth, a leading scientist said Tuesday.

The report, presented at the annual meeting of the American Geophysical Union, was sure to rekindle debate on the controversial topic of how the ancient animals abruptly vanished.

More than 2,000 papers have been written on the topic since Nobel laureate Luis Alvarez and his son, Walter, first proposed their ''extraterrestial'' theory of dinosaur extinction in 1980.

In an overview of the latest findings, Walter Alvarez, a geology professor at the University of California at Berkeley, said research along an ancient sea floor in southern Spain showed a species of single- celled marine plankton, called foramnifera, suddenly became extinct at the end of the Cretaceous period of history.

Similarly, he said, University of Washington scientists have found many

species of mollusks died out precisely at the end of the Cretaceous period - about 65 million years ago.

And, new studies of dinosaur fossils in Montana has shown an extinction pattern ''consistent with a catastrophic extinction,'' rather than a gradual decline, Alvarez said.

Studies have shown as many as 75 percent of all life forms on Earth perished at that time, he said.

However, University of Colorado researchers recently reported the discovery of two sets of dinosaur fossils in Wyoming that they say are at odds the sudden extinction theory. Robert Bakker and his colleagues said the dinosaurs appear to have lived 1 million years after their species were thought to have died out.

''Every major extinction of dinosaurs occurred in a series of pulses, '' said Bakker, who argues the mass-catastrophe theory of dinosaur extinction ''is simply not true.''

But Alvarez told the 3,000 scientists attending the geology meeting that there is evidence that at least two large extraterrestrial objects struck what is now North America about the time the many life forms died 65 million years ago.

One crater, discovered in Iowa, dates to the end of the Cretaceous era. Crystals dating to the same period have been found a similar crater, 100 kilometers in diameter, on Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula.

Other scientists believe they have found evidence of a giant asteroid or comet striking Earth at two sites in the Caribbean Sea.

Scientists have calculated that an object with a diameter of 6 miles, falling at 12 miles per second, would have the impact of a 70 million megaton bomb.

Alvarez cited a recent University of Chicago study that indicates the impact of such a comet-like object would trigger winds up to 300 miles an hours, tidal waves that run for hours, increased global darkness withcold temporatures for months, and acid and toxic chemical rain for years to decades.

''At first, our critics challenged the impact theory by asking how a comet impact could wipe out as many species as the geological record shows,'' Alvarez said. ''Now they are asking how any species could survive.''

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#90338u1713 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (DEC. 4) UPI - A federal judge ruled Tuesday transcripts of the tapes of deposed Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega's jailhouse telephone

conversations belong to the public and not just Cable News Network, which obtained the tapes.

In dismissing the network's claim it had exclusive rights to the information, U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler said the public's right to know should not rest on the ''whims of CNN's programming needs.''

However, Hoeveler did delay release of the transcripts until Dec. 6 to give CNN time to appeal his order to the 11th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals in Atlanta.

Several news organizations, including The Miami Herald and Gannett Satellite Information Network, asked Hoeveler last week to release the transcripts, which were made by the court while Hoeveler was trying to decide if broadcast of CNN's tapes would prohibit Noriega from obtaining a fair trial.

Hoeveler ruled last week that the broadcast of information contained in the tapes did not violate the deposed leader's rights.

Noriega is awaiting trial on drug-trafficking charges in the Metropolitan Correctional Center in Miami, where he has been held since his January arrival in Florida following the U.S. invasion of Panama.

CNN had argued that classifying the transcripts as court documents and therefore public records was analogous to turning over the notes of one reporter to competing news organizations.

''If this court's actions in this highly publicized matter are to be accorded any meaningful public scrutiny, then the public should have access to all of the contents of the transcripts which formed the basis for the court's ruling, and not simply those small portions which CNN chooses to air,'' Hoeveler wrote.

''The public's role as a check on the integrity of the judicial process should not rise or fall on the whims of CNN's programming needs. ''

Hoeveler noted his ruling came six days after he lifted the temporary restraining oder imposed last month on CNN's broadcast of the tapes.

''During this time, CNN has had more than ample opportunity to 'scoop' its competitors by airing the conversations in their entirety. Instead, CNN has, for reasons unknown, declined to broadcast the vast majority of the conversations in its possession ...

''Though the court respects CNN's right not to publish, it nonetheless declines to accord CNN such absolute and unfettered control over access to information which, in the court's discretion, should be made available for public review,'' he said.

A CNN reporter in Panama obtained seven tapes made by U.S. officials of Noriega's telephone calls from his jail cell to friends as well as to his attorney's office.

While the federal government notifies prisoners that it tapes their telephone conversations, taping of calls between prisoners and their attorneys is strictly prohibited as a violation of attorney-client privilege.

Lead defense attorney Frank Rubino asked Hoeveler to block broadcast of the tapes arguing that the broadcasts violated Noriega's right to a fair trial. That prompted Hoeveler to issue a temporary stay, which CNN violated by proceeding to broadcast a portion of Noriega's conversation with Rubino's office.

Though Hoeveler has found that the information in the tapes would not infringe on Noriega's right to a fair trial, he has not ruled on Rubino's request that CNN be declared in contempt of court for airing the tapes in violation of the temporary restraining order.

Rubino wants CNN to pay $300,000 in fines for each violation and has asked that the money be used to pay Noriega's attorneys, who say they have not been paid in more than a year because the federal government has frozen Noriega's bank accounts.

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#90338u1727 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
First Chicago	9,203,200	18 3/4	up 1
First Bank Sys	6,673,600	13 3/4	up 7/8
Citicorp	5,127,400	14 3/8	up 1 1/2
AT&T Company	3,673,400	30 3/8	up 1/4
NCR Corp	3,146,100	83 1/2	up 2
Fedl Natl Mtg	2,640,800	31 5/8	up 3/8
Glaxo Holdings	2,213,800	33 3/8	up 3/4
Philip Morris	2,209,900	49 5/8	up 3/4
Toys R Us	2,201,700	23 1/2	off 7/8
BankAmerica	1,894,000	24 1/2	up 1 1/2
Chase Manhattan	1,836,100	11 1/2	up 1/2
PepsiCo	1,655,300	24 1/2	off 1 1/2
Eastman Kodak	1,629,100	41 1/2	off 1 1/4
RJR Nabisco pf	1,576,100	21	off 1/8
Genl Electric	1,542,200	55 1/2	up 1 1/8

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#90338u1733 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Contl Air Hldgs	1,498,600	1 3/4	off 1/4
PW Group wtB	542,100	9 3/4	off 1/4
Salomon wt93Jan	483,500	20 1/8	up 1/2
Denmark King wt	422,600	20 5/8	up 1/8
Wang Labs Inc B	354,100	2 3/4	off 1/8
Western Digital	352,400	4 3/4	up 1/8
Americus T2 sc	266,200	5 3/4	up 1/8
Fruit of Loom	256,700	8 1/4	off 3/8
Rhone Poulenc	237,600	10 1/2	off 1/4
Eksportfinan wt	231,300	9 7/8	unch

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#90338u1736 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

TEGUCIGALPA, HONDURAS (DEC. 4) UPI - Authorities have arrested 150 policemen in the past few months on charges of corruption and smuggling between Honduras and Guatemala, police said Tuesday.

Police Capt. Cesar Augusto Somoza said the massive purge of police, most of them stationed on the border with Guatemala, is because ''they commited numerous irregularities, including accepting bribes from contraband traffickers.''

All 150 policemen were given dishonorable discharges before being arrested, Somoza said.

The majority were stationed as guards on the eastern border with Guatemala, some 120 miles east of Tegucigalpa.

In recent months, Honduran Finance Ministry authorities have charged that vast quantities of contraband cattle have entered Guatemala, destabilizing the national meat market.

Somoza said the last round-up of policemen came after a cattle rancher told authorities that border police offered him guarantees and protection for the flow of contraband across the border in exchange for $2,000.

Somoza said the army's high command, which runs the police force, has formed a commission with the help of the country's bar association to wipe out corruption in the security forces.

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#90338u1741 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 4) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Tuesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6325	up 50
Kubota Corp	93	off 9
Cap Cities ABC	428 1/8	up 8 1/8
Woolworth pfA	165	up 8
Potomac El pf	120	up 7 1/2
Atl Richf pfC	308 1/2	up 3 1/2
Textron pfA	54 3/4	up 3 1/2
Keystone Intl	23 7/8	off 3 3/8
Citicorp pfA	57 1/2	up 3 1/8
Wells Fargo	55 1/8	up 3

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#90338u1742 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (DEC. 4) UPI - A Hispanic neighborhood ravaged by hundreds of rioters returned nearly to normal Tuesday as residents and city workers cleaned up after the looting and burning sparked by the acquittal of six police officers in the beating death of a Puerto Rican drug dealer.

The smell of smoke from fires set in anger the night before lingered in the air as small groups of people watched fire crews working in gutted buildings and talked about the rioting and the jury verdict that led to the destruction in their neighborhood. Officials estimated damages at around $2.5 million

The city was taken by surprise by the violence that erupted about 6:30 p.m. Monday in the predominantly Puerto Rican Wynwood neighborhood north of downtown, said Mayor Xavier Suarez.

"I certainly didn't expect kids with hoods (to hide their identity)," he said. ''I've never seen that before. That's a new technique for me. We just have to keep learning and people have to understand that a court decision cannot lead to extreme violence and a sort of loss of total control as we saw last night."

There were no serious injuries in the rioting, which started hours after a federal jury cleared the Miami officers of conspiracy and other charges in the death of Leonardo Mercado, who lived just a few blocks from where the heaviest rioting occurred. Police said there were about 10 arrests.

Police following tips Tuesday went to homes in the neighborhood to recover stolen property, including computers and other office equipment. However, there were no more police on patrol than usual, said police spokesman Bobby Navarro.

''I would say things are normal - about as normal as you can get after a riot '' he said.

The Police Department was criticized for waiting about two hours before sending riot squads into the neighborhood to quell the disturbance. Chief Perry Anderson said his troops acted properly.

He emphasized that there were no deaths or serious injuries during the uprising and said the department would have been criticized for ''bashing teenagers'' if police had moved in sooner.

''We feel that we did the appropriate thing - the appropriate responses,'' Anderson said. ''We waited until we had adequate enough manpower to respond without jeopardizing any citizens and also, without jeopardizing any police officers.''

Police spokesman David Rivero said police would act faster if rioting broke out Tuesday night.

''They're going to be ready,'' he said. ''If there are any problems, they're going to be over in five minutes.''

Riot police clashed several times Monday night with the looters, some of them wearing masks fashioned from paper bags and T-shirts, and managed to bring the area under control by 11 p.m.

Patrick Gerrits, owner of a general contracting firm near Roberto Clemente Park - named after the deceased Puerto Rican baseball star - that his father built in 1948, had his building looted and destroyed by fire.

''All this land use to be ours. We gave it to the city to expand the park to try and help this community - the Puerto Rican community. Virtually, they've about ruined me.''

Gerrits said he was stunned by the violence.

''We just build buidings and we've been very comfortable here and we haven't been harassed ... this took us by surprise.''

For Miami residents, the disturbance was a chilling reminder of the three days of violence that rocked the city's predominantly black neighborhoods in January 1989.

Those riots erupted after an Hispanic police officer, William Lozano, shot and killed a black motorcyclist. Lozano was later convicted of manslaughter.

Scenes of angry black rioters in Miami made the world news several times in

the 1980s because of the deaths of black men at the hands of police.

Police initially kept a restrained presence Monday, staying out of the fray for at least two hours as rampaging youths set fire to parked cars, buildings and trash bins, tossed rocks and bottles and looted stores. Stray gunshots also could be heard.

About 200 police sealed off the riot area and field force teams began clearing the area about 8:30 p.m. It took them about 2 1/2 hours to bring the neighborhood under control.

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#90338u1746 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	364.11	up	2.79	354.05	458.55
Industrial	395.86	up	2.72	383.34	447.79
Finance	356.00	up	5.20	347.06	520.50
Insurance	439.72	up	6.51	424.65	561.34
Utility	458.39	off	0.81	454.44	743.17
Bank	250.33	up	0.47	248.95	413.91
Transport	395.24	up	3.49	384.74	481.68

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 160.51 up 1.31

Industrial Index 157.81 up 1.16

NASDAQ-100 Index 391.21 up 2.16

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#90338u1749 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Tuesday 391.21 up 2.16.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value 302.64 up 0.04

High Technology 316.75 off 1.67

Capital Goods	316.06	up 0.42
Consumer Goods	390.15	up 1.42
Service	698.98	off 1.46
Retail	968.76	up 28.52
Financial	358.63	up 0.05
Natural Resources	216.23	off 0.68
Housing-Const-Land	229.29	up 0.81

There was no change in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	402.57	off 1.03
Mid Atlantic	416.62	up 2.65
No Central	398.52	up 2.11
So Atlantic	843.42	up 5.08
So Central	300.70	off 1.70
Mountain	103.07	up 0.77
Pacific	343.85	off 2.45
Foreign	214.14	off 0.52

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#90338u1768 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	364.29	360.42	364.11	up 2.79
Industrial	395.96	391.52	395.86	up 2.72
Finance	356.00	351.66	356.00	up 5.20
Insurance	440.44	432.93	439.72	up 6.51
Utility	459.16	453.38	458.39	off 0.81
Bank	251.71	248.24	250.33	up 0.47
Transport	396.73	391.21	395.24	up 3.49

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	160.51	up 1.31
Industrial Index	157.81	up 1.16
NASDAQ-100 Index	391.21	up 2.16

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share 8.26 up 0.02

Volume	103,612,904 shares
Advances	846
Declines	634
Unchanged	1,293
Total	2,773

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#90338u1773 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - A Federal Reserve move to relax bank reserve requirements and a British television report that Iraq has advanced proposals to withdraw its forces from Kuwait combined to weaken the dollar Tuesday.

The Fed announced it will allow U.S. banks to earn interest on $13.6 billion held until now as non-interest earning depository institution reserves, a move analysts said would mostly give troubled banks some relief.

But currency traders said the New York market initially thought it detected a Fed credit easing signal - the central bank can use reserve requirements to change its monetary policy - and started selling dollars.

However, the greenback recovered somewhat when ''people had time to figure out what the Fed move meant,'' said Audrey McNiff, a Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp. vice president for corporate currency dealing.

Analysts saw no disguised Fed move to lower interest rates. McNiff added that better bank earnings could even be bullish for the dollar.

Later, there was a flurry of dollar-dumping on reports that British television said Iraq advanced proposals for its withdrawal from Kuwait - but the market then changed direction when it saw no confirmation of the reports forthcoming.

In late New York trading, the dollar was at 1.5015 German marks, down from 1.5140 marks Monday, and at 133.10 Japanese yen, down from 134.70.

The British pound strengthened to $1.9300 from $1.9175.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2820 Swiss francs, off from 1.2930; 5. 0750 French francs, off from 5.1155; and 1,127 Italian lire, off from 1, 138.25.

National Westminster Bank corporate trader Hank Weiland said traders sold dollars ''instinctively'' when the Iraqi withdrawal report popped up on computer screens, pushing the unit down to 1.4960 marks.

''We thought there was going to be a panic. But once we realized what it was, it kicked back (up) to the 1.50 (mark) level, '' Weiland said.

The report had ''less of an effect than one would have thought it would have '' McNiff said, adding the muted response ''indicates the market is somewhat skeptical'' about the likelihood of a rapid resolution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

In Europe, the dollar mostly declined, weakening on the Fed easing signal

perceived in the move to lower bank reserve requirements and on trouble in global trade talks.

''The new (Fed) reserve requirements ... hurt it, especially against the German mark,'' said analyst Geoff Earnshaw of National Westminster. Players saw the move as boding further Fed interest rate cuts.

In addition, deadlock on key issues in the soon-to-be-concluded General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs talks hurt the dollar despite renewed strength on heightened Persian Gulf jitters, traders said.

The dollar slipped in both Frankfurt, to 1.5043 German marks vs. 1. 5062 Monday, and Zurich, to 1.2815 Swiss francs vs. 1.2880.

In London, the pound moved up to $1.9245 vs. $1.9205.

The dollar dropped in Brussels, to 31.05 Belgian francs from 31.21. But the U.S. unit ended firmer in Paris and Milan, at 5.0870 French francs vs. 5.0825 and at 1,130.50 Italian lire vs. 1,129.70, respectively.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar jumped against the yen in active trading Tuesday on concern over the Persian Gulf crisis, closing at 134.35 yen vs. Monday's close of 133.00 yen.

Investors kept buying the dollar in the belief that it will sustain the rise triggered by last Thursday's United Nations Security Council resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq, Tokyo dealers said.

Participants frustrated with recently narrow trading ranges tested new dollar highs, said Sumitomo Bank currency manager Tetsuya Taura.

Taura reported strong year-end demand for the dollar among importers and oil companies. But insurance firms sold dollars to take profits to dress up balance sheets, momentarily pushing the dollar to an intraday low of 133.50 yen, he said.

In Zurich, gold closed lower at $377 an ounce vs. $381.50, while in London the precious metal fell to $377.75 from $380.75.

Silver in Zurich closed unchanged at $4.15 an ounce but moved up in London to $4.18 an ounce from $4.16.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $377.25 an ounce, up from $375.50 Monday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled gold contracts at $378.90 an ounce, up from $376.60 the previous day.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.175 an ounce, up from $4.155. Comex silver closed at $4.151 an ounce, up from $4.138.

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#90338u1775 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	124,853,500
Advances	977
Declines	814
Unchanged	2,402
Total	4,193

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#90338u1777 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	380.05	224.31	143.39	22.53	324.10
Opening	378.31	223.77	143.04	22.67	322.97
11 a.m.	378.73	223.95	143.02	22.66	323.23
Noon	380.01	224.94	143.43	22.81	314.38
1 p.m.	380.26	225.30	143.52	22.89	324.66
2 p.m.	380.01	225.68	143.63	22.92	324.57
3 p.m.	378.26	224.39	143.24	22.78	323.11
Close	381.93	227.31	144.43	23.14	326.35
Change	up 1.88	up 3.00	up 1.04	up 0.61	up 2.25

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#90338u1782 12/04/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - A British television report that Iraq has outlined a proposal for withdrawl from Kuwait sent stock prices broadly higher in active trading Tuesday on the New York Stock Exchange.

The blue-chip Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 5.94 points Monday, surged 14.11 points to close at 2579.70.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index gained 1.12 to 178.19 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index gained 2.25 to 326.35. The price of an average NYSE share added 19 cents.

Advances outpaced declines 906-634 among the 1,990 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to 185,820,000 shares, compared with the 177,040,000 traded Monday.

Stocks opened lower, and while the broad market retained its gains throughout the day, a 22-point drop in the Dow industrials shortly before the close was wiped out by a late wave of computer driven buy orders for blue-chip stocks lifting the market higher on news of the British television report.

Market watchers said blue chip stocks, which came under some moderate selling pressure early from a combination of profit taking, generally lower overseas markets and Middle East worries, surged in the final minutes of trading on reports that Iraq had outlined a proposal for withdawl from Kuwait.

The U.S. State Department in Washington said it knew nothing about the British television report.

Market watchers said the buying enthusiam was dampened however by the sharp drop on the Tokyo Stock Exchange where the Nikkei Average plummeted 863.38 points to 21,862.61.

Analysts said the U.S. decision to send an additional 63,000 troops to the Persian Gulf region also weakened investor sentiment as the deployment undercut previous hopes for a peaceful solution to the crisis.

A decision by the Fed to reduce some bank reserve requirements on non-personal time deposits and net eurocurrency liabilities also helped to boost prices as several of the nation's leading banks gained sharply on the Fed's announcement.

Brad Wyatt, vice president of the investment managment group of Bankamerica in San Francisco said ''the Fed's action amounts to an easing of credit conditions because banks will be able to free up reserves for other lending activities.''

Both requirements, now at 3 percent, will be lowered to zero, ''over the coming weeks,'' the Fed said, and was the first change in the reserves since 1983.

Currently, banks must hold reserves equal to 12 percent of all their checking deposits and 3 percent of certain certificates of deposits with maturities of less than 18 months.

The Fed said the board has been reviewing these requirements for some time and that the current 3 percent requirement has ''placed depository institutions at a disadvantage relative to other providers of credit, spawning efforts to circumvent the requirement.''

The move, according to Wyatt ''is likely to be viewed as strong signal that the Fed wants banks to lend more money and is likely to ease credit.''

Wyatt said ''the move is also likely to boost bank earnings and their stock

prices, and should have a major impact on the market.''

Analysts said the move could also send a signal to banks to lower the prime rate, now at 10 percent.

The prime, a key commercial lending rate, has not changed since early January although the Fed has significantly lowered its funds rate. Analysts said this was because of heavy pressure on bank earnings.

Last week Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan told the House Banking Committee that the Fed was ''accelerating'' its evaluation of reducing reserve requirements, but he said then the Fed had not reached a conclusion on the matter.

For several months, concern that a credit crunch is harming the nation's economy has steadily mounted.

The Fed's move, analysts said, was seen as a sign of the Federal Reserve Board's escalating concern about the credit situation.

On the trading floor, First Chicago Corp. paced the actives, climbing 1 to 18 3/4. Citicorp followed gaining 1 1/2 to 14 3/8.

AT&T was the third, adding 1/8 to 30 1/4. The nation's most widely held stock plunged 2 Monday on news of an unsolicited $90-a-share bid for NCR.

NCR, which catapulted 24 3/4 Monday, added another 2 to 83 1/2.

In a strong banking sector, Chase Manhattan added 1/2 to 11 1/2, BankAmerica gained 1 1/2 to 24 1/2, J.P. Morgan gained 1 1/2 to 43 1/4, Chemical Banking added 1/2 to 12 1/2, Manufacturers Hanover gained 1 1/8 to 20 3/8 and Bankers Trust surged 2 3/8 to 41 3/8.

Among some of the blue chips, General Electric gained 5/8 to 55, Eastman Kodak slipped 1 1/2 to 41 3/8 and IBM ended unchnaged at 114 5/8.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 227,059,070 shares, compared with 211,462,410 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices ended mixed in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index added 0.04 to 302.64, but declines topped advances 295-273 among the 820 issues traded. The price of an Amex average share was unchanged. Composite volume totaled 15,638,150 shares vs. 18,103,550 traded Monday.

Continental Airlines Holdings led the Amex issues, easing 1/4 to 1 3/4. The airline filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection for the second time in

seven years on Monday, citing a 125 percent jump in the cost of jet fuel as the reason for the move, which it said would allow it to restructure its $2.2 billion debt.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index surged 2.79 to 364.11 for its sixth consecutive gain.

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(DEC. 4) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	10
New lows	37

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	251	5,270,600

Declines	300	5,376,700
Unchanged	246	2,482,700
Total	797	13,130,000

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(DEC. 4) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.55	7.65	8.51
91-day Treasury bills	7.24	7.27	7.56
182-day Treasury bills	7.23	7.36	7.30
1-year Treasury bills	7.25	7.39	7.18
3-year Treasury notes	7.57	7.64	7.71
7-year Treasury notes	8.09	8.14	7.80
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.34	8.36	7.88
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.90	8.90	8.64
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.66	8.66	9.12
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.78	8.75	8.85
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.03	9.09	8.89
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.19	9.18	9.11
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.17	9.16	9.09

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	178.19	176.25	178.19	up 1.12
Industrial	220.12	218.15	220.12	up 1.04
Transport	138.99	136.79	138.99	up 1.94
Utility	91.46	90.72	91.46	up 0.52
Finance	120.42	118.72	120.42	up 2.03

Equivalent to a gain of 19 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common

share.

Volume 185,820,000 shares.

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(DEC. 4) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	235.20	238.00	234.10	238.00	235.80
Mar	237.10	240.00	236.40	240.00	237.85
Jun	....	....	....	241.90	240.05
Sep	....	....	....	244.30	242.45

Estimated volume: 68 contracts.

Open interest: 1,457 off 24.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	324.00	329.00	322.60	328.20	324.40
Mar	326.50	332.00	325.40	330.95	327.15
Jun	329.90	334.00	328.70	334.00	330.20
Sep	....	337.50	331.40	336.90	333.10

Estimated volume: 62,393 contracts.

Open interest: 159,403 unchanged

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	176.70	179.75	176.10	179.10	177.25
Mar	177.90	180.70	177.40	180.40	178.55
Jun	179.00	179.85	179.00	181.70	179.85

Open interest: 4,442 off 604.

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	541.40	545.25	536.10	543.75	541.05
Jan	541.60	546.50	538.50	545.80	543.10
Feb	543.10	546.25	538.50	545.95	543.25

Estimated volume: 2,631 contracts.

Open interest: 8,947 up 207.

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#90338u1829 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

HYATTSVILLE, MD (DEC. 4) UPI - James Bias, the younger brother of the late University of Maryland basketball star Len Bias, was shot dead Tuesday after an argument at a jewelry store in suburban Washington, police said.

Bias, 20, died of two gunshot wounds in the lower back about 90 minutes after he was taken to the Leland Memorial Hospital emergency ward, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Prince George's County Police Sgt. Chuck Cooke said authorities were looking for two suspects, described as black males between the ages of 20 and 21. They were driving in a green Mercedes at the time of the shooting, police said.

''Other than a verbal disagreement, we don't have much in the way of a motive '' Cooke said.

Bias and a friend were in the jewelry store at Prince George's Plaza when one of the suspects apparently got into an argument with Bias. One of the men asked Bias to step outside to settle the argument, but he refused, Cooke said.

The suspects exited the store and Bias and a friend left the store a short time later. While Bias and his friend drove away from the store, one of the suspects fired a pistol from the Mercedes, shooting Bias twice in the back and injuring his friend with flying glass.

Police would not say what the argument was about.

Len Bias, the all-time leading basketball scorer at the University of Maryland and the 1986 Atlantic Coast Conference player of the year, died June 19, 1986, of cardiac arrest after snorting cocaine at a party. The 22-year-old Bias was picked in the first round of the NBA draft by the Boston Celtics.

James Bias, also a basketball player, was taken to Leland Memorial Hospital after the shooting by his friends in the car. The case was referred to the county coroner's office in Upper Marlboro.

Hospital officials confirmed that victim was the brother of Len Bias.

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#90338u1833 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA (DEC. 4) UPI - American businessman John Hull, who is accused of aiding drug and arms traffickers from his former ranch in Costa Rica, is living in Nicaragua with his daughter, a Sandinista newspaper said Tuesday.

Barricada, the official Sandinista daily, said Hull reacted nervously when reporters asked about his pending case with Costa Rican courts.

''There's nothing (to the case). They can't do anything,'' the newspaper

quoted Hull as saying.

For many years Hull lived on a Costa Rican ranch near the Nicaraguan border. The government of Costa Rica accused him of helping former Contra rebels smuggle drugs and arms from an airstrip on his ranch.

Hull also has been implicated in the Iran-Contra scandal by the Christic Institue, an independent research group that has filed charges against various U.S. officials in American courts.

The Christic Institute says Hull was a major player in the supply of arms and money to the Contras during Congress' ban on Contra financing. They also say he harbored and aided members of the CIA illegally supplying and training the Contras, who were trying to oust the Sandinista government of Nicaragua.

After arriving in Nicaragua several days ago, Hull and his daughter went to Juigalpa, about 65 miles northeast of Managua, Barricada said. Hull rented a house in the town and contacted Mayor Issac Deleo and Bishop Pablo Antonio Vega, the newspaper said.

Deleo said he helped Hull and his daughter settle in Nicaragua and that Hull is considering business deals involving cattle breeding.

Hull also has met with former Contra commanders Israel Galeano, Oscar Sovalbarro and Rodolfo Ampie, the paper said.

A spokesman for the Nicaraguan Interior Ministry said the department knew nothing about Hull's whereabouts.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - The world's fifth-largest commercial bank and a former First Boston Corp. executive Tuesday announced formation of an investment bank to advise on mergers and acquisitions, with an emphasis on international transactions.

The new bank, called Sanwa Duval, is being set up by Japan's Sanwa Bank Ltd. and Michael Duval, who helped structure First Boston's merger with Credit Suisse and was previously Mead Corp.'s chief strategic officer.

''Business is becoming more and more global,'' said Shuhei Sato, senior vice president of Sanwa's merchant banking group. ''We see huge opportunities for cross-border connections because business no longer stops at political boundaries.

Opportunities are ''readily apparent'' in the United States, the Asia-Pacific region and Europe, Sato said.

The new bank, to be jointly managed by Sato and Duval and to be based in New York, will take over the merger-and-acquisition business currently conducted by the merchant banking group of Sanwa's New York and Los Angeles offices.

Sanwa Duval said in a statement it will also stress restructuring with a view to achieving strategic business purposes as well as financial objectives.

''Investment bankers in the 1980s were more interested in shuffling assets than in strategic relationships,'' Michael Duval said in a statement.

''In the '80s, people wanted short-term financial gain; we think that the 1990s is going to be a return to era of doing business in pursuit of long-term strategic business objectives,'' he added in an interview.

''When you are doing deals for strategic business objectives, you have to be able to trust your adviser because you reveal long-term strategies. A lot of

the current (merchant bankers) have large pools of capital which they use for the purpose of acquiring companies. In essence, these funds are competing with their clients.''

By contrast, Sanwa Duval will act in a purely advisory capacity, Duval said, adding he expected many U.S. firms to take positions in companies of the Pacific Rim, including Japan, ''and vice versa.''

But he said he does not expect Eastern Europe to live up to the promise it may have had for U.S. investors because of the economic collapse of the Soviet Union and the need for those countries to spend large sums on public works. ''Central Europe is a great area for growth, but the fact of the matter is that they are going to be highly constrained by those factors,'' he said.

Duval added the area is more likely to attract investment from European Community countries, simply because of proximity.

As for investment possibilities in the EC, he said the region's companies are likely to ''be consumed with funding their own growth,'' so they may not be active investors elsewhere.

Looking to the Americas, he called the prospect of a free-trade zone throughout the region ''an incredibly powerful idea that has not even begun to be fully understood in this country.''

Since being set up in 1983, Sanwa's merchant banking group said its cross-border transactions have included the purchase of Wickes Cos.' Elco subsidiary by Kyocera Corp., the merger of AVX Corp. with Kyocera and the purchase of Black & Decker Corp.'s Arcotronics business by Nissei Electric.

Duval is recruiting ''a couple of dozen'' professionals who are ''interested in establishing long-term relationships and who want to build and grow companies, not tear them apart.''

Duval's career also includes 10 years working in the federal government, including serving as special counsel to President Ford in 1974.

He resigned from First Boston last July and began work on the new partnership. He became a managing director at First Boston in 1984 and was a member of the company's management committee.

Duval said his experience at Mead gave him an understanding of business strategy, unlike many of the individuals associated with the new firm's merchant banking competitors, whose backrounds are purely financial.

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#90338u1886 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Tuesday was 451.84, up 0.66 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.86	9.50
Anchor Fund Inv	14.13	14.99
Delaware Mutual	16.98	18.21
Fidelity Fund	16.49	16.49
Investor Mutual	11.14	11.73
Investor Stocks	18.46	19.43
Investor Select	8.44	8.88
IDS Equity Plus	8.96	9.43
MFS Growth Stk	8.63	9.30
Nicholas Income	3.09	3.09
Utd Accumulated	6.20	6.78
United Income	16.94	18.51
Vang Wellington	16.43	16.43

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(DEC. 4) UPI - WALTER CAMP DIVISION 1-AA COLLEGE FOOTBALL TEAM

Walter Camp Division I-AA Team

Offense

Wide receiver -	Kasey Dunn, Idaho.
Tight end -	Eric Ihnat, Marshall.
Tackles -	Al Jacevicius, Eastern Kentucky;
	Joe Valerio, Pennsylvania.
Guards -	Reggie White, William & Mary;
	Paul Mayberry, Massachusetts.
Center -	Steve Duggan, Furman.
Quarterback -	DeAndre Smith, Southwest Missouri.
Running backs -	Joe Campbell, Middle Tennessee;
	Reggie Rivers, Southwest Texas State.
Kicker -	Brian Mitchell, Northern Iowa.

Defense

Linemen -	Erik Helgeson, Boise State;
	Greg Necaise, Northwestern Louisiana;
	Giff Smith, Georgia Southern;
	Tony Bowens, Youngstown State.

Linebackers - Craig Callahan, Holy Cross;
Kevin Kendrick, Furman;
J.J. Davis, The Citadel.
Defensive backs - Tim Lance, Eastern Illinois;
Ricky Hill, South Carolina State;
Darrell Beavers, Morehead (Ky.) State;
Eupton Jackson, James Madison.
Punter - Colin Godfrey, Tennessee State.

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#90338u1947 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 4) UPI - The executive and legislative branches of government squared off in federal court Tuesday over whether the president has the authority to send U.S. forces into harms way without congressional approval.

The hearing before U.S. District Judge Harold Greene was in response to a lawsuit filed by 54 Democratic congressmen challenging the constitutionality of Operation Desert Shield. The congressmen were seeking a court order blocking Bush from committing troops to an offensive war without first obtaining a declaration of war from Congress.

''We're talking about the threat of war in six weeks. We're not talking about some indefinite threat in the future,'' said Jules Lobel, a lawyer representing the congressmen. ''This court must act now before we get into a war.''

He was referring to a U.N. resolution passed last week that gave the United States authority after Jan. 15 to use military force to remove Iraq from Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2.

But Assistant Attorney General Stuart Gerson, representing the government, insisted that U.S. foreign and military policy is a political question not for courts to decide.

''Can this court define what a war is? he asked. ''There is a distinct definitional problem here and it's a matter to be worked out by '' and it's a matter to b

He also disputed contentions by the congressmen that war in the Middle East in imminent.

''There has been no decision made,'' Gerson said, adding that a Persian Gulf war ''is an open question.''

He also argued that Bush and the Congress ''are not at loggerheads,'' and that avenues still remain for Congress to step in to stop a potential war, such as

cutting off military funding.

After 70 minutes of arguments, Greene took the matter under advisement, giving no indication when he would issue a ruling. But at times during the hearing he appeared to be concerned about breaking new legal ground.

''No court has ever issued an injunction like the one you are asking for,'' Greene said at one point. But Lobel countered that ''there has never been a situation such as this.''

The suit centers on the war powers clause of the Constitution, which grants Congress authority ''to declare war.''

Lawyers representing the congressmen portrayed the suit as an opportunity for courts to clarify the role of Congress and the president in committing U.S. forces to hostile areas.

Tuesday's arguments were similar to those presented last month in the government's response to another lawsuit challenging the legality of Operation Desert Shield.

In that lawsuit, Army National Guard Sgt. Michael Ange, 26, attached to the 1,450th Transportation Unit at Fort Lee, Va., sought an emergency order blocking his deployment to the Persian Gulf.

Ange's lawsuit also focuses on the 1973 War Powers Act, which calls upon the president to notify Congress within 48 hours if U.S. troops are in an area of imminent hostilities, and requires him to withdraw troops within 60 days unless the action is approved by Congress. The act has been ignored by every president as unconstitutional.

A hearing Ange's lawsuit has been scheduled for Dec. 10 before U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth.

The congressmen, led by Rep. Ron Dellums, D-Calif., who was present in the courtroom Tuesday, decided to avoid addressing the War Powers Act in their lawsuit, deeming it weak and ineffective. They instead focused on Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution, which grants Congress authority to declare war.

Congress has declared war only five times in U.S. history, with the most recent declaration coming 49 years ago following the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor.

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#90338u1974 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (DEC. 4) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is willing to withdraw his troops from Kuwait to avoid war provided he is allowed to keep an oil

field captured during the invasion, it was reported Tuesday.

Sky Television News, a London-based satellite TV network, reported that Saddam will make the offer to Secretary of State James Baker when he visits Baghdad later this month in hopes of settling the crisis without going to war.

The report said the deal was discussed in New York after last Thursday's U.N. Security Council vote ordering Iraq out of Kuwait by Jan. 15 or face the threat of force from the U.S.-dominated multinational force that gathered in the Persian Gulf area after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The network said the U.S. reponse last week was negative. The State Department Tuesday said it had no comment on the report.

The network also said Saddam has met privately in recent weeks with ''senior international mediators'' to seek a peaceful settlement to the situation.

A ''source close to one of the mediators'' said that in return for a guarantee of no Western attack, Iraq would withdraw from Kuwait except for the Rumaila oil field, which straddles Kuwait and Iraq, and was Iraq's reason for invading Kuwait.

Iraq also would be willing to return the strategic islands of Bubiyan and Werba, provided it could discuss leasing them from the Kuwaitis, the source told Sky.

Saddam has indicated he would accept the restoration of the Kuwaiti royal family to power as part of the deal, Sky said.

Baghdad has dropped its demand that the Israeli-Palestinian issue be linked to any negotiations about its withdrawl from Kuwait, Sky quoted the source as saying.

Saddam's offer would allow Iraq to keep part of the spoils from its invasion, which the United States and other nations have said is unacceptable.

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#90338u1977 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

TRENTON, N.J. (DEC. 4) UPI - A judge refused Tuesday to grant Allstate Insurance Co. an automatic 8.6 percent rate increase, which would have passed increased costs under New Jersey's new insurance law on to motorists.

Judge Paul Levy, sitting in Mercer County Superior Court, said the company's request should be heard by an administrative law judge.

Allstate filed for an increase in August, saying that a surtax and assessment to pay the losses of the Joint Underwriting Agency would cost it $22 million

in 1990. Insurance Commissioner Samuel Fortunato had made no determination on the increase in car insurance premiums, instead asking the company for additional information required under the Fair Auto Insurance Reform Act.

Deputy Attorney General Marilyn Silvia, who represented the Insurance Department, said Levy made no ruling on Allstate's argument that the FAIR act did not apply. The judge instead said the department could request more information from Allstate as part of the discovery process.

But she said Allstate lost its argument that Fortunato did not act in a timely manner on the rate increase request.

''All in all, the defeat is Allstate's,'' she said.

Allstate, one of the largest car insurors in New Jersey, has also challenged the constitutionality of the FAIR act. The company is awaiting a decision by the New Jersey Supreme Court.

The case is seen by the insurance industry as a key test of the Garden State's controversial insurance law.

Allstate, headquartered in Northbrook, Ill., is a subsidiary of Sears, Roebuck & Co.

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#90338u1984 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (DEC. 4) UPI - General Motors Corp. said Tuesday it will demonstrate its Impact electric car on a closed track as part of its 196-car exhibit at the 1991 North American International Auto Show in Detroit next month.

GM President Lloyd E. Reuss, in outlining plans for the Jan. 12-20 event, said the Impact demonstration is a first for any auto show.

GM unveiled the Impact vehicle nearly a year ago in Los Angeles. Although no details have yet been announced concerning when or where it may be built, GM has said it is committed to producing the vehicle, which will be suited for high-pollution areas of the nation, like Los Angeles.

''In just two years, the North American International Auto Show has established itself as one of the world's best,'' Reuss said. ''Our 1991 exhibit plans, and those of other domestic and foreign automakers, should further increase its prominence.''

Reuss other GM highlights at the show will include:

-displays of nine new GM concept and special show vehicles and eight new production models, many for the first time.

-a corporate exhibit to highlight its technological capability to develop totally new vehicles for tomorrow's environment.

-a unique simulation program that lets showgoers feel as if they are actually road-testing GM cars and trucks.

-a display of its solar-powered vehicles, developed by University of Michigan, Western Washington University and the University of Maryland, that finished in the top three positions in the GM-sponsored 1990 Sunrayce USA.

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#90338u2014 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 4) UPI - The chairman of Northwest Airlines planned to hold a news conference at this hour to discuss yesterday's fatal collision of a D-C-9 and a Boeing 727. Investigators say it'll be months before an official report is ready that can explain why the D-C-9 apparently was in the wrong place at the wrong time.

Sales of single-family home sales declined in October to an annual rate of 491-thousand... off 23 percent compared with the same time last year. The average sales price for a new single-family home sold in October was 157-thousand-500 dollars. Sales were off in all regions except the Northeast.

The American Automobile Association says the average price of regular gasoline rose more than two cents a gallon last week. The hike brings the average price of regular unleaded gasoline sold at self-service pumps to one-dollar 38 cents a gallon. That's about 31 cents higher than on August 1st, the day before Iraq invaded Kuwait.

The president of Bangladesh is calling a special session of Parliament for Saturday to nominate his replacement. President Hussein Muhammed Ershad seized power from an elected government in 1982, and won a five-year presidential term in 1986 elections boycotted by opposition parties.

The Soviet Parliament today quickly approved constitutional amendments which futher consolidate President Gorbachev's power. The package aligns government ministries under direct control of the president. It still must be passed by the larger Congress of Peoples' Deputies at a two-week session later this month.

El Salvador's army says rebels shot down a military airplane today... the fourth army aircraft to be crashed by recent guerrilla gunfire. An army spokesman said rebels used a Soviet-made surface-to-air missile to bring down the U-S-made A-C-47 aircraft, a cargo plane equipped with machine guns.

Middle age used to associated with increased security. But a survey of doctors

finds that 68 percent of those questioned feel their mid-aged patients are facing serious strain and pressures, especially a financial squeeze caused by taking care of adult children and ageing parents. The poll was conducted by the American Board of Family Practice, headquartered in Lexington, Kentucky.

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#90338u2077 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 4) UPI - Lockheed Corp. said Tuesday it has named Sherman N. Mullin, who has been heading the development of its Advanced Tactical Fighter YF-22 prototype, to succeed Ben R. Rich as president of Lockheed Advanced Development Co., also known as the ''Skunk Works.''

Mullin, 55, will continue to be a special adviser on the YF-22 program. The company is heading a team with Boeing and General Dynamics to build the next generation of supersonic fighters for the military. The Lockheed team is competing against Northrop Corp., which is teamed with McDonnell Douglas Corp. for the ATF contract, which mean as much as $100 billion in revenues.

The final award is expected to be made by the Air Force this spring following completion of testing of the four prototypes, two by each team.

Rich, 65, had worked for Lockheed for 40 years on such aircraft as the F-104 fighters, the U-2 and SR-71 reconnaissance planes and the F- 117A stealth fighter.

Mullin joined Lockheed in 1959 as an electronics field engineer and has played a major role in the P-3 and S-3 antisubmarine warfare aircraft programs.

Mullin disclosed Tuesday that the YF-22 prototypes has already flown for an hour, including 22 minutes on a single flight. He also said that both planes have reached top speeds in excess of Mach 1.5 and flown at altitudes of up to 50,000 feet.

The company also said one of the prototypes had successfully launched an AIM-9 missile as part of its flight testing.

In another development, Lockheed stock rose 75 cents to $31 a share Tuesday on the New York Stock Exchange. The advance came a day after the Lockheed board turned down a $1.6 billion plan by Texas investor Harold Simmons to take the aerospace giant private, saying it doubted Simmons can raise the money.

Simmons, who holds nearly 20 percent of the company's stock and has been trying to gain control of Lockheed for nearly two years.

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#90338u2111 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY (DEC. 4) UPI - President Bush acknowledged the stiff economic consequences suffered by the Third World because of the Persian Gulf crisis and vowed the political and military standoff ''is not going to on forever.''

''The economic burdens on these small countries and on the U.S. are heavy,'' said Bush during a newsconference during which he referred to economic downturns from skyrocketing oil prices caused by unrest in the Middle East.

Uruguay officials estimate the South American nation would lose roughly $100 million annually because of new oil price increases and $70 million in revenue from beef sales to Iraq.

''Despite the economic hardship inflicted on this country, (Uruguway's President Alberto Lacalle) has taken a leading role in the economic embargo of Iraq,'' Bush said.

''But as you heard (Federal Reserve Chairman) Alan Greenspan say the other day all I can do is make clear that there is not an oil shortage today and hopefully some of these speculators will look at that and see that it is true '' Bush said.

''I can make clear it is not going to go on forever,'' Bush said of the standoff with Iraq now in its fourth month.

Bush also said he did not believe that Saddam Hussein ''has gotten the message'' of the U.N. resolutions demanding the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

Bush said that he agreed with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney who said he did not think sanctions alone will work against Iraq.

''I am convinced that Saddam Hussein has not gotten the message,'' Bush told reporters. ''I don't think Saddam Hussein understands'' the impact of the U.N. resolutions condemning his Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. ''I hope he gets the message.''

''You know,'' he added, ''I've not been the one who's convinced that sanctions alone will do the trick.''

During his one-day visit to Uruguay - the first by an American president in 27 years - Bush pressed for ''successful completition'' of the current round of world trade talks in Brussels, which are said to be on the verge of collapse because of divisions over agriculture subsidies.

Though Bush, along with most Latin American leaders, is in favor of extreme reductions in subsidies, he said he would be willing to negotiate an exact figure in government aid to farmers.

''We are not locked into a specific figure,'' Bush said. ''We are locked on the fact that all the categories have to be included and that is where our differences lie,'' he said.

Earlier in the day, Bush urged support of his proposal for an economic trading zone in the Americas.

''This is an exciting time because we are entering a new era in Latin American relations,'' Bush said at the Carrasco Airport, 12 miles east of Montevideo.

''The ultimate aim is free trade for all the Americas,'' Bush said.

On a six-day trip to South America, Bush looked tanned and tired upon his arrival in Uruguay following a one-day visit to Brasilia.

The warm reception that greeted Bush on his drive into the city turned cool after his speech to Urguway's Congress at the Legislative Palace where several hundred demonstators gathered to protest U.S. foreign policy.

Later Tuesday Bush flew to the resort of Punta del Este, 84 miles east of Montevideo, where he went for an early evening jog and swim. Bush dined with the Uruguayan president in a local restaurant, and was to spend the night in a 32-room mansion.

Bush was scheduled to fly to Argentina on Wednesday, followed by visits to Chile and Venezuela.

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#90338u2120 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS (DEC. 4) UPI - European Community foreign ministers proposed Tuesday to send $2 billion in emergency food aid to the Soviet Union to help meet winter food needs, officials said.

The ministers reached an agreement in principle to send the aid, officials said, with a final decision to be made by EC leaders at their summit in Rome next week.

The decision, which follows several high-level EC-Soviet meetings in recent days, sends an important ''political signal'' to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, said Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens.

Some countries, including Britain, had previously been skeptical of the need for emergency aid, saying evidence of potential famine in the Soviet Union was mixed. But they went along on Tuesday.

''We believe that where people are hungry and deprived of food, then food

should be supplied,'' said British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd, explaining his decision to go along with the assistance.

The EC foreign ministers are still concerned, however, over the Soviets'inefficient food distribution system.

''The question of how it is to be distributed so it reaches those in need is crucial,'' Hurd said.

Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis said the EC would call on Soviet authorities to ensure that food is distributed in big cities and that food not be diverted to the black market.

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#90338u2251 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 4) UPI - The wreckage of a topless D-C727 were towed off a runway at a Detroit airport today and into a Northwest Airlines hangar. Federal safety inspectors are working in the hangar trying to re-assemble the planes and reconstruct the events leading to yesterday's collision that killed eight people. The chairman of Minneapolis-based Northwest Airlines, Alfred Checci, told reporters in Detroit that ''words simply canNOT describe the grief'' he and his 45-thousand employees feel over the loss of life.

The Federal Reserve Board moved to ease the pressure on U-S banks today and, indirectly, on the economy itself. The Fed says it will let banks make use of certain funds they must now let the government hold as reserves. Analysts say the change mostly will help a banking industry whose profitability and lending capacity has been undercut by real estate and other loans gone sour. But it could give the economy a boost too... providing added incentive to lend to creditworthy borrowers.

Two young men accused in the 1989 Bensonhurst racial slaying of a black teen-ager were acquitted today of murder and manslaughter charges. The panel deliberated just two hours before returning the verdict for Joseph Serrano and co-defendant James Patino. But the jury found Serrano guilty of fourth-degree possession of a weapon... in this case, a baseball bat. Serrano who faces up to one year in jail and a one- thousand-dollar fine. The trial is the fourth against eight young men accused in the slaying which set off racial tensions and sparked sometimes violent demonstrations and protests.

The Food and Drug Administration says the ability of mammograms to detect breast cancer in the earliest, most treatable stages has improved significantly in the last five years. A government survey found that while 36 percent of mammography equipment used in 1985 provided sub- standard images, the rate declined to 13 percent by 1988. The F-D-A says the improved images were achieved with only a slight increase in radiation, well within safety guidelines.

The military is looking for a few good dogs. Owners of German or Belgian shepherds, retrievers and pointers who think their pet has the right stuff will get a chance to start a canine career with the military or Federal Aviation Administration. But the dogs will need to do more than fetch a stick. The government is conducting a nationwide search to enlist dogs in the war on drugs and fight against terrorism. The Defense Department's Military Working Dog Agency says tryouts start next week at Fort Monroe, Virginia.

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#90338u2296 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

UNIONDALE, NY (DEC. 4) UPI - Greg Adams flipped an eight-foot wrist shot past New York goalkeeper Glenn Healy with 5:13 left in the third period Tuesday night to pace the Vancouver Canucks to a 4-2 victory over the Islanders.

Steve Bozek set up Adams on the rush for Vancouver which improved to 3-0-2 in its last five games. The Islanders dropped to 0-4-2 in its last six games.

Trevor Linden scored into an empty net for Vancouver with six seconds remaining to account for the final margin.

Gary Valk scored twice for the Canucks. He gave Vancouver a 1-0 lead, 1:18 into the game when he popped a rebound of a shot by Brian Bradley past Islander goalkeepr Glenn Healy.

New York scored twice in the first 5:06 of the second period to take a 2-1 lead. David Volek took a pass from Pat LaFontaine 46 seconds into the middle period and punched a six-footer past Vancouver goalie Kirk Mclean. Randy Wood started the play.

Wood put the Islanders ahead 2-1, putting the rebound of a shot from close in by defenseman Jeff Norton, past McLean. Norton rushed half the length of the ice, but was thwarted by Mclean's stick at the last instant.

Valk scored his second goal of the game and sixth of the season to tie the scorre 2-2 at 15:32, when he slid a six-foot backhander off the left post.

Bruins 5, Red Wings 4 (overtime)

DETROIT (DEC. 4) UPI - Randy Burridge scored his eighth goal of the season at 1:03 of the overtime period Tuesday night to give the Boston Bruins a 5-4 victory over the Detroit Red Wings.

Craig Janney had two goals and an assist for the Bruins, while rookie Sergei Fedorov had two goals and an assist for Detroit.

Detroit goalie Tim Cheveldae stopped Bob Sweeney's shot, but the rebound bounced to Burridge, who fired the puck into the net.

Steve Yzerman's first goal in eight games with 1:02 remaining in the third period pulled the Red Wings into a 4-4 tie. Yzerman pulled goalie Andy Moog out of the net and lifted the puck over the netminder while both players were laying on the ice.

Moog turned back 35 shots to raise his career record to 11-1 against Detroit, which lost for the first time in seven games.

Defenseman Allen Pedersen had given the Bruins a 4-3 lead with his first goal of the season at 11:55 of the third period. Pedersen, whose only goal in 68 games last season came against Detroit, fired Vladimir Ruzicka's rebound past Cheveldae.

Detroit tied the game on goals by defenseman Bobby Dollas and Fedorov 27 seconds apart in the third period. Dollas drilled a slap shot from 45 feet to cut Boston's lead to 3-2 at 7:59 and Fedorov knocked Brent Fedyk's rebound past Moog at 8:26.

Janney's second goal gave the Bruins a 3-1 lead at 6:21 of the second period. Garry Galley rang a shot off the goalpost and the rebound bounced to Janney, who put it in the open corner from the edge of the crease.

Janney's first goal at 1:54 of the second period came on a slap shot from between the faceoff circles.

Boston took a 1-0 lead at 3:03 of the first period on Bobby Carpenter's goal. Dave Poulin knocked Shawn Burr off the puck and it was picked up by Carpenter, who beat Cheveldae from the top of the faceoff circle.

Detroit tied the score at 13:29 of the first period on a strong individual effort by Fedorov, who outskated defenseman Ray Bourque, circled the net and beat Moog on the far side.

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#90338u2438 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 4) UPI - British television is reporting that Iraq has advanced proposals for its withdrawal from Kuwait. So far, NO details on the proposals. Earlier today, the government of Saddam Hussein said it will allow all Soviet hostages detained in Iraq to leave beginning tomorrow. But Moscow says it won't change its support of a U-N resolution demanding that Iraq leave Kuwait by January 15th.

In a caucus of House Democrats today, lawmakers declared that they support the way President Bush is handling the Persian Gulf crisis. But they insisted that

Bush seek a declaration from Congress before launching any war.

A federal judge in Miami says transcripts of the tapes of deposed Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega's jailhouse telephone conversations belong to the public and not just Cable News Network. C-N-N had obtained the tapes and said it had exclusive rights to the information. But U-S District Judge William Hoeveler says the public's right to know should NOT rest on what he terms the ''whims of C-N-N's programming needs.'' The judge did delay release of the transcripts until Thursday to give C-N-N time to appeal.

Jurors in the Central Park jogger trial appear bogged down in their fifth day of deliberation today, asking the judge for a legal definition of ''reasonable doubt.'' The five-man, seven-woman jury is deciding the rape and attempted murder trial of 16-year-old Kevin Richardson and 18- year-old Kharey Wise. the pair is accused of being part of a gang of up to 30 youths that rampaged through the moonlit park, randomly beating and robbing joggers on April 19th, 1989.

Police say the younger brother of the late University of Maryland basketball star Len Bias was shot dead today after an apparent argument with another customer at a jewelry store in suburban Washington, D-C. A hospital spokeswoman says 20-year-old James Bias died of two gunshot wounds in the lower back about 90 minutes after he was taken to the emergency ward. Police say they are looking for two suspects seen driving a green Mercedes at the time of the shooting. Len Bias died in 1986 of cardiac arrest after snorting cocaine at a party.

There's new evidence supporting the theory that a huge comet or asteroid hit Earth 65-Million years ago and wiped out dinosaurs and other forms of life. The latest study was presented at the annual meeting of the American Geophysical Union in San Francisco. Geology professor Walter Alvarez of the University of California at Berkeley says research along an ancient sea floor in southern Spain found that a type of single-celled marine plankton suddenly became extinct at the end of the Cretaceous period. And other studies have shown as many as 75 percent of all life forms on Earth perished at that time.

The National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences says it will NOT give 1989's best new artist Grammy Award to another artist or group. The academy last month revoked the award from the lip-syncing pop duo, Milli Vanilli. Academy President Michael Greene says the Grammy process ''does NOT and is not intended to produce a ranked result,'' and there is NO first runner-up, so the award will remain vacant.

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#90338u2627 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 4) UPI - Reports from London say Iraqi President Saddam Hussein may be willing to withdraw his troops from Kuwait to avoid war if he can keep an oil

field captured during the invasion. The satellite T-V network Sky Television News reports that Saddam will make that offer to Secretary of State Baker when the U-S official visits Baghdad later this month. The report says the deal was discussed in New York last week after the U-N Security Council voted to authorize the use of force against Iraq if Baghdad doesn't get out of Kuwait by January 15th.

Congressmen squared off with the administration today over whether President Bush has the authority to send U-S forces into war without congressional approval. At a hearing before U-S District Judge Harold Greene, 54 Democratic congressmen challenged the constitutionality of Operation Desert Shield. They want a court order blocking Bush from committing troops to war against Iraq without first getting an o-k from Congress. But the administration insists U-S foreign and military policy is a political question NOT for the courts to decide.

Federal investigators are trying to piece together the clues from yesterday's collision of two Northwest Airlines jets on a foggy runway at Detroit Metropolitan Airport. Eight people were killed and 21 injured in the fiery crash. The chairman of Northwest visited some of those still hospitalized, and later broke down as he told reporters how crewmembers helped many passengers to safety.

Demonstrators protested U-S foreign policy outside the Legislative Palace in Montevideo... while inside, President Bush thanked the people of Uruguay for their help in the embargo against Iraq. The president vowed the uncertain situation in the Persian Gulf ''will NOT go on forever.'' But after Bush's speech, several leftist critics of Uruguayan President Alberto Lacalle walked out during the applause. Bush is the first U-S head of state in more than 27 years to visit Uruguay. He goes to Argentina tomorrow.

Deputy U-S Trade Representative Rufus Yerxa says world trade talks are ''very close to collapse.'' Yerxa blames a persistent deadlock in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade or GATT talks on agriculture subsidies between Europe and the United States. The talks sank into serious trouble after farm exporting nations, including the United States, rejected as inadequate a statistical analysis by the European Community of its farm proposal.

A new study released in Washington today says American teen-agers do voluntary charitable work at about the same rate as adults... despite their sometimes being stereotyped as selfish and self-centered. The findings by Independent Sector also said that between trips to the mall and the movies, 48 percent of teen-agers dug into their pockets to contribute money to good causes last year. The average contribution was 46 dollars.

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#90338u2968 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

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A transcript of the radio communication between the tower and the D- CB-C News shows air traffic controllers could NOT see the jet, and the pilot was not clear where he was. But when the pilot said he was on runway 21 center, a controller told him to get off immediately. But it was too late.

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The astronauts aboard the shuttle Columbia are getting their first scientific data on the cosmos after finally fixing a glitch in their shuttle observatory. After an around-the-clock effort to reprogram the telescope aiming system, the crew is successfully tracking targets in deep space.

A Japanese broadcaster and two Soviet cosmonauts docked with the orbiting Soviet space station Mir today... two days after blasting into space on a Soyuz rocket. The broadcaster floated into the space station and immediately unfurled two banners in Japanese.

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#90338u3130 12/04/1990 ~United Press International

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airport. The transcripts indicate that air traffic controllers in the tower couldn't see the jet. .. and the pilot was NOT clear where he was. When the controller discovered the plane's location, he told the pilot to ''exit that runway immediately.'' Moments later, the wing of a Northwest Boeing 727 on a takeoff roll sheared the fuselage of the D-C-9, causing it to burst into flames. Eight people died and 21 were injured.

One of two suspects has surrendered to police in the fatal shooting of the younger brother of the late University of Maryland basketball star Len Bias. Prince George's County police say Jerry Tyler is expected to be charged with first degree murder. Tyler is one of two suspects seen driving away from the scene after 20-year-old James Bias was shot twice in the back following an argument at a jewelry store at Prince George's Plaza in suburban Washington. Len Bias died of cardiac arrest after snorting cocaine at a party in 1986 after being the top N-B-A draft choice of the Boston Celtics.

Environmentalists are calling for a boycott of Bumble Bee Seafoods. The San Francisco-based Earth Island Institute claims that Bumble Bee has continued to buy tuna caught using methods that kill dolphins, despite a pledge to stop doing so. Earth Island took out full-page newspaper advertisements today calling for the boycott and accusing Bumble Bee and its Thailand-based parent company, Unicord Incorporated, of sponsoring ''the slaughter of dolphins.'' San Diego-based Bumble Bee called the accusations false.

In South Africa, police today found the slaughtered bodies of seven more blacks in townships near Johannesburg. But authorities report there's been NO resumption of the factional fighting that left 71 dead. Both the African National Congress and the rival Zulu movement Inkatha are warning that the ferocious fighting threatens to undermine efforts to negotiate a power-sharing deal with the minority white government.

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#90338x0455 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

WOODSTOCK, VT (DEC. 4) UPI - New England Ski Areas Council official summary of snow conditions at New England ski areas as of 7 a.m. Dec. 4, 1990.

Skiing conditions are subject to change due to weather, skier traffic, and other factors. Be aware of changing conditions.

Legend: new-inches of new snow snowfall ending in last 24 hours, pdr-powder snow, pp-packed powder, wet gr-wet granular, lsgr-loose granular, frgr-frozen granular, corn-corn snow, mgs-machine groomed surface (where two such terms appear, the former shows conditions on 70 percent or more terrain, and the latter the next-most-prevalent condition) vc-variable conditions, sc-spring conditions xx of 00 trails-number of trails open, sm-snow made in last 24 hours, tc-thin cover, wbln-windblown snow, var-variable, ns-night skiing available, no-not operating, opr-operating.

Massachusetts

Wachusett Mtn new pp / 6- 25 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Maine

Sugarloaf/usa 10 new pdr /pp 10- 40 base 5 trails 2 lifts sm

Sunday River 7 new lsgr / 12- 36 base 12 trails 4 lifts sm

New Hampshire

Attitash new pp /pdr 12- 30 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Loon Mountain 6 new pdr /pp 8- 14 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm

Waterville Vly 6 new lsgr / 7- 16 base 5 trails 3 lifts sm

Wildcat Mtn new pdr /pp 10- 18 base 5 trails 2 lifts sm

New York

Belleayre 4 new wetsn / 7- 21 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Gore Mountain 6 new pdr /pp 0- 32 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

Hunter Mountain 5 new pdr /lsgr 4- 40 base 17 trails 8 lifts sm

Ski Windham 2 new pp /lsgr 6- 24 base 6 trails 3 lifts sm

Whiteface new pdr /pp 0- 20 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

Vermont

Bolton Valley new pp / 12- 30 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm

Bromley Mtn 4 new wetsn / 4- 20 base 3 trails 3 lifts sm

Jay Peak 8 new pdr /pp 8- 28 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Killington 8 new pp /lsgr 14- 28 base 11 trails 5 lifts sm

Magic Mountain 6 new pdr /pp 12- 18 base 2 trails 1 lifts sm

Mt. Snow 1 new pp / 12- 24 base 11 trails 4 lifts sm

Okemo Mountain 6 new pp / 12- 20 base 15 trails 5 lifts sm

Pico 6 new pp / 10- 24 base 6 trails 4 lifts sm

Smugglers Notch 1 new pp / 6- 20 base 4 trails 1 lifts sm

Stowe new pp / 14- 35 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Stratton Mtn 7 new pdr /pp 14- 26 base 6 trails 4 lifts sm

Sugarbush 1 new pp / 8- 36 base 9 trails 4 lifts sm

New England winter sports outlook: Winter storm warnings in effect today for northern Vermont, northern New Hampshire and northern Maine. Winter weather advisories in effect today for central New Hampshire and southwest interior Maine. Rainy, windy in southern New England today. Central New England will have sleet and freezing rain changing to rain. Northern portions of New England will have snow that will mix with and change to rain. Snow will accumulate 4 to 8 inches from the northeast kingdom of Vermont, across northern New Hampshire and into interior eastern Maine. In far northern Maine the snow could total up to a foot.

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#90338x1226 12/04/1990 ~Comtex

NEW YORK (UPI) _ The Federal Reserve Board took some pressure off struggling U.S. commercial banks and, indirectly, the economy Tuesday by allowing banks to earn interest on certain funds held by the Fed until now as reserves.

The Fed said it would reduce to zero from the current 3 percent level reserve requirements on time deposits by non-personal customers and net Eurocurrency liabilities _ U.S. deposits deployed in overseas accounts.

Financial markets responded swiftly and positively. The stock market, whose Dow Jones Average of 30 industrial stocks, which had been slumping by nearly 18 points Tuesday, rallied to move ahead by almost two points.

The price of the benchmark 30-year Treasury bond increased by more than one point _ a $10 gain on every $1,000 bond _ and the yield, or market-determined interest rate on the long bond, fell to 8.34 percent from 8.36 percent.

The Fed said the policy shift, to be made ''over coming weeks,'' would return to bank control reserves of $11.7 billion held against time deposits and $1.9 billion of reserves obligations to foreign banking offices.

Depending on other Fed policies, the step could lower the key Federal funds interest rate, which reserve system banks charge each other on overnight

loans. Longer-term rates could also fall. So, the move could be viewed as part of the Fed's ongoing easing process.

The move could also send a signal to banks to lower the prime rate, now at 10 percent. The prime, a key commercial lending rate, has not changed since early January although the Fed has significantly lowered its funds rate. Analysts said this was because of heavy pressure on bank earnings.

In past reductions of reserve requirements, the Fed has taken other steps to neutralize the interest rate effects. Analysts said some of the impact of this step may be offset _ but only the Fed knows by how much.

The U.S. central bank said a review of requirements led it to conclude they ''placed depository institutions at a disadvantage relative to other providers of credit, spawning efforts to circumvent the requirement.''

The first alteration of reserve requirements since 1983, it was viewed as a message the Fed wants banks to relax currently tight lending policies for good credit risks to offset the current economic slowdown.

''The Board took action ... in response to mounting evidence that commercial banks have been tightening their standards of creditworthiness and the terms and conditions for many types of loans,'' the Fed said.

''While much of this tightening has been welcome from a safety and soundness standpoint, it has in recent months begun to exert a contractionary influence on the economy,'' the three-page Fed statement said.

''Lower reserve requirements at any given level of money market interest rates will reduce costs to depository institutions,'' it added, ''providing added incentive to lend to creditworthy borrowers, thus countering, to some extent, the recent tightening in credit terms.''

The change will be introduced over two Reserve System maintenance periods of two weeks each, beginning Dec. 13 and concluding Jan. 10. The Board noted that the phase-in would happen at a time of normally strong seasonal bank demand for a injection of central reserves.

Last week Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan told the House Banking Committee that the Fed was ''accelerating'' its evaluation of reducing reserve requirements, but he said then the Fed had not reached a conclusion on the matter.

Currently, banks must hold reserves equal to 12 percent of all their checking deposits and 3 percent of certain certificates of deposits with maturities of less than 18 months.

The Fed can alter the money supply in three ways. It does this most often by open market operations which soak up or release liquidity through the purchase

or sale of government securities, thereby raising or lowering the Fed funds rate. The key rate now stands at 7.50 percent.

Also, the Fed can change the discount rate, the rate the it charges on loans to financial institutions. The Fed last changed the discount rate in February 1989, boosting it to 7 percent from 6.5 percent.

Finally, the Fed can make adjustments to its reserve requirements, which is the most rarely used method of all.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI - Any opera about the assassination of a tyrant in the land that is now Iraq is bound to have more than musical interest these days.

The revival of Giacomo Rossini's ''Semiramide'' at the Metropolitan Opera while Saddam Hussein claims the attention of the world is a coincidence, having been scheduled more than three years ago as a vehicle for mezzo-soprano Marilyn Horne, a Rossini specialist.

But no one can argue that the decision to bring ''Semiramide'' back to the Met after a 95-year absence was timely happenstance.

It deals with a Babylonian queen, usually known as Semiramis. This legendary predecessor of Hussein aided a lover in killing her husband, unwittingly chooses her long-lost son rather than the lover as her royal heir, and is killed in a fight between the lover and her son.

Spare yourself the intricacies of the plot. It is based on Voltaire's novel and is confused by the rivalry of three men for the hand of a royal princess who is a virtual cipher in the libretto Gaetano Rossi supplied Rossini in 1823.

This is the last opera the composer wrote for the Italian stage before moving on to London and Paris. More than four hours long, it was written in only five weeks and represents Rossini at the height of his fame. ''Semiramide'' is an opera to be savored for its exalted music as well as its pageantry.

It can be seen at the Met for seven more performances, the last scheduled for Dec. 29. It will be telecast nationally as a ''Metropolitan Opera Presents'' feature next fall.

James Conlon demonstrates his brilliance as an operatic conductor in his reading of Rossini's opulently orchestrated score, rich in musical impulse and dramatic dynamism, especially in its choral passages.

Conlon is particularly sensitive to the needs of his singers. He never rushes them or overrides their voices in performance of the difficult ''bel canto''

style that requires smooth coloratura production and a talent for vocal ornamentation.

To support Horne in one of the bel canto roles that helped shape the current Rossini revival in Europe and the United States, the Met has summoned to the cast two American singers who have made their reputations in Europe as well as veteran bass Samuel Ramey. It is a powerhouse ensemble that recalls the Met's ''golden age.''

Horne's voice may not be the juicy and powerful instrument that it was in former years, but she still sings sturdily and true, her ability for florid coloratura undiminished and her lower register still thrilling in its subterranean richness.

That she sings the role of Arsace, commander of the Assyrian Army and chosen of Semiramide, with little attempt to masculinize the role is beside the point.

The Met debutante who sings Semiramis, Lella Cuberli of Austin, Texas, by way of the operatic capitals of Europe, proves a soprano of medium size but lively voice, particularly beautiful in the high register.

She is svelte and statuesque and a polished actress, notably graceful in grand gestures worthy of her Met predecessor in the role, Dame Nelly Melba.

Another singer better known at La Scala of Milan than in his native America, tenor Christ Merritt from Oklahoma City is making his Met debut as Idreno, an Indian prince.

Merritt's big voice lies amazingly high and is capable of ravishing coloratura as well as falsetto effects, but he does not sing with much subtlety and is stolid as an actor in this cardboard role.

Another debutante, Korean soprano Young Ok Shin, sings Princess Azema prettily in the undeveloped role.

Ramey is, as usual, stalwart and vocally thrilling in the role of Semiramide's lover, Prince Assur, and John Cheek is serviceable in his singing as Oroe, the high priest.

Jeffrey Wells, who plays the ghost of Semiramide's murdered husband, sings as eerily as he can with the help of echo amplification.

John Copley's production cannot be faulted except for its static quality. He sometimes lines his singers up like so many soloists in an oratorio, bereft of emotional communication.

John Conklin's weathered sets of Babylonian temples, palaces and hanging gardens are impressive in their solidity yet move easily to allow creation of

new scenes.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 4) UPI Markets at a glance at 3 p.m. Tuesday: NYSE Stocks _ Lower in moderate trading. Bonds _ Lower. American Stocks _ Lower in moderate trading. London Stocks _ Closed lower in dull trading. Tokyo Stocks _ Closed lower in light trading. Dollar _ Closed mostly lower against key foreign currencies. Gold Futures _ Higher. Cotton _ Mostly higher. Chicago Grain Futures _ Corn closed down 2 to up 1/4, soybeans up 2 /4 to down 2, wheat off 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 and oats down 1 to 2 1/4. Cattle trade _ Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90338x2066 12/04/1990 ~Comtex
HOLLYWOOD (DEC. 5) UPI - Moviegoers, lured in large part by the new hit ''Home Alone,'' spent $389.6 million on tickets in November, making it the second-highest month ever at the domestic box-office.

The monthly tally, augmented by strong showings from ''Three Men and a Little Lady,'' ''Rocky V,'' ''Dances With Wolves'' and ''Child's Play 2,'' was off about 5 percent from $411 million grossed last November, Daily Variety reported Tuesday.

The year-to-date box-office reached $4.45 billion through last weekend, about 2 percent behind last year's total of $4.53 billion at this juncture. in 1988, the total had hit $3.96 billion at this point.

At this pace, the year's box-office total will finish in the range of $4.90 billion to $4.95 billion.

For the weekend, which saw ''Home Alone'' top the box-office for the third consecutive time, the top 10 films drew $53 million, up 10 percent from the year-ago weekend.

For the week, ticket sales hit $128 million, off from the $135.4 million a year ago and far ahead of the 1988 same week total of $103.6 million.

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#90339b0011 12/05/1990 ~Business Wire
AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint and Cable and Wireless plc Wednesday signed an agreement with PTT Telecom Netherlands, the first continental European carrier to market Global Virtual Private Network service, a GLOBAL FON(sm) offering.

The GLOBAL FON(sm) brand of advanced telecommunications products and services is designed to meet the worldwide communications needs of today's multinational organizations.

PTT Telecom Netherlands joins two Canadian carriers, Teleglobe Canada Inc. and Unitel Communications Inc., who last week announced that they also will provide Global Virtual Private Network service in Canada. Negotiations are continuing with other major carriers including Telecom Ireland and International Digital Communications (IDC) of Japan.

Global Virtual Private Network service provides the efficiency, flexibility and reliability of the public network, coupled with the enhanced features normally associated with a private network.

The new service mirrors existing dialing plans, provides a high-speed data capability on demand, and delivers enhanced feature functionality, such as call back when free and calling line identification. These features, combined with an instantaneous international call set-up time, provide customers unequalled global service.

Teleglobe Canada Inc., a Memotec Company, is Canada's international telecommunications carrier reaching over 200 countries. Memotec Data Inc. is a corporation of international scope with assets of $1 billion and some 2,600 employees.

Unitel Communications Inc. is Canada's first national facilities-based telecommunications carrier and is owned jointly by Canadian Pacific Ltd and Rogers Communications Inc. Unitel employs more than 3,100 Canadians in its Eastern, Central and Western operating regions, and has more than 200 offices.

PTT Telecom Netherlands, a subsidiary of Royal PTT Nederland NV, is the privatized telecommunications operator in the Netherlands. PTT Telecom is the national supplier of a wide variety of telecommunications services, terminal equipment and value-added services.

The international program ranges from basic services to complete international company networks, including constituency, network management and value-added services. PTT Telecom employs 31,500 people. The company had gross revenues of 8,953 million Dutch guilders and an operating profit of 2,400 million Dutch guilders in 1989.

Cable & Wireless plc, based in London, is a publicly listed worldwide telecommunications company with 120 years of experience and operations in 48 countries around the world.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint, with the United States' only all-digital, fiber-optic network,

provides a comprehensive array of global voice, data and video communications products and services.

GLOBAL FON is a servicemark of Cable and Wireless plc and US Sprint.

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#90339b0015 12/05/1990 ~Business Wire

LAFAYETTE, CO (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Aspen Ribbons Inc. (NASDAQ:ARIB) announced Wednesday that at its annual meeting of stockholders on Nov. 30, 1990, approval was given to change the name of the company to Aspen Imaging International Inc.

The change comes as a response to its changing product line.

''Our new corporate focus goes well beyond ribbons for computer printers,'' said Peter C. Williams, president and chief executive officer. ''We expect to become a major player in a variety of supply items for page or laser printers in the 1990's as well as continuing to manufacture and market our full line of ribbons.

''By changing our name, we are sending a signal to the marketplace, and in particular large distributors, that we are progressive in our new product development.''

The company also announced that its board of directors approved the repurchase of an additional 50,000 shares on the open market.

Aspen Imaging International is a leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of ribbon cartridges and laser printer cartridges for the computer printer industry.

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APPLETON, WI (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Peter M. Platten III, president and

chief executive officer of Valley Bancorporation (NASDAQ/NMS: VYBN), announced Wednesday that approval has been received from the Federal Reserve Board for the affiliation of the Exchange State Bank of La Crosse, Wis. Exchange State Bank shareholders have also approved the transaction. The transaction is expected to be consummated early in 1991.

Exchange State Bank had assets of approximately $54 million at Sept. 30. The Exchange State Bank of La Crosse (the largest city in La Crosse County), serves La Crosse and other communities in the surrounding western Wisconsin market.

Platten stated, "We are enthused about expanding Valley's presence in western Wisconsin. The affiliation of Exchange State Bank and the previously announced acquisition of the $101 million-asset Western Federal Savings and Loan Association, (with locations in Sparta, Mauston, Reedsburg, Tomah and Wisconsin Dells) will provide increased business opportunities due to a larger concentration of assets in this fast developing market. These acquisitions fit with Valley's philosophy of expanding in our existing markets to meet our goals relative to growth and profitability potential."

Platten added, "The bank will continue to be managed by its existing board of directors and officers who are personally acquainted with the people and the economy of La Crosse and its market.

Valley's operating philosophy has always been for its subsidiaries to retain the flexibility to conduct business in the style best suited for its own community which encourages an entrepreneurial spirit that is customer service and goal oriented. In addition, Valley supports community development and encourages broad community participation by all employees."

Aaron J. Hanson, president and CEO, recently announced his intent to retire. The bank's board of directors is now in the process of reviewing prospective applicants for the President's position, with assistance from Valley. Hanson will continue as a member of the bank board of directors.

Valley Bancorporation is the third largest bank holding company headquartered in Wisconsin. Valley, with assets of $3.3 billion, currently serves Wisconsin through more than 100 banking offices with additional financial service companies engaged in leasing, insurance, data processing, trust service, brokerage, and credit card servicing. The company's common stock is traded on the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol VYBN.

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LONGMONT, CO (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - PrairieTek Corp., inventor and manufacturer of 2.5 inch hard disk drives, announces the appointment of Scott Hudson as vice president of materials.

In this position, Hudson will be responsible for all corporate materials and procurement operations.

Prior to joining PrairieTek, Hudson was vice president corporate materials at Flextronics Corp. in Fremont, Calif., where he was responsible for overall management direction and accountability for corporate materials, procurement, MIS and logistics functions for the United States and Asia.

From 1985 until 1989, Hudson was vice president operations support for Unisys Corp. in Santa Clara, Calif., where he was responsible for the material functions of the peripheral group.

In addition, Hudson brings 14 years of international materials operations management experience with Storage Technology Corp. to PrairieTek. In this capacity he managed over $400 million in annual material purchases. Prior to Storage Technology, Hudson spent five years with IBM Corp. in various materials related postions.

According to Dave Riegel, chief executive officer of PrairieTek, ''We are fortunate to have Scott joining the PrairieTek management team. His outstanding experience and materials skills will be invaluable during this period of rapid growth and expansion for the company.''

Hudson is the latest appointment to PrairieTek's executive staff following on the heels of Ed Heacox, vice president manufacturing operations and Bill Mansfield, senior vice president of administration and finance and chief financial officer. He will report directly to Heacox.

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AKRON, OH (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Resource America Inc. (NASDAQ:REXI) (the ''company'') announced higher revenues and income from operations for the year ended Sept. 30, as follows:

	Year Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 9,613,390	$ 7,983,615
Income from operations	2,303,851	1,937,437

Other gain (including sale of property)	46,036	292,805
Provision for income tax	700,000	580,000
Net income	1,649,887	1,650,242
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Stockholders' equity	23,823,025	22,628,228
Average shares	7,014,000	6,324,000
Net income per share	24 cents	26 cents

The company's improved performance from operations was primarily a result of continued growth in marketing activities, improvements in oil and gas production revenues, and expansion in related activities.

Increased tax provisions and reduced gain on sale of properties resulted in a slight drop in net income for the year ended Sept. 30, as compared to the prior year.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - A new fax service makes it possible to forward professionally prepared faxes anywhere in the world, 24 hours a day and seven days per week, by simply making a telephone call.

Dialing either an 800 or a 900 number connects users of VIP-FAXX to a live operator, who transcribes messages onto specially designed terminals, and immediately relays them to their destination anywhere in the world. The service is available at any time of the day or night, and every day of the week, including holidays.

Users of VIP-FAXX have the option of sending copies to multiple sites, and to receive confirmation copies of their communications. A large database of fax numbers, including federal, state and local legislatures, as well as other special interest groups and leading enterprises, is available free of charge to users of the service.

Frequent users may also store with VIP-FAXX a library of their own fax numbers.

VIP-FAXX was recently incorporated in California, and is currently based in Sunnyvale. The telephone numbers for using the new service are: 900-VIP-FAXX (900-847-3299) and 800-SEND A FX (800-736-3239). The regular business number, also used by international callers outside the United States, is 408-745-7350. International faxes are charged at $9.95 each.

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#90339b0044 12/05/1990 ~Business Wire
LOS ANGELES (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Pacific Bank, N.A. Wednesday announced that it has agreed to sell $500 million in credit card participation certificates.

The issue is being underwritten by Goldman, Sachs & Co., Security Pacific Merchant Bank, Lehman Bros. and U.B.S. Securities Inc. The 8.85 percent certificates were priced at 99.625 to yield 8.863 percent and are rated AAA by Standard & Poors and AAA by Moody's.

The four-year certificates represented undivided interest in the Security Pacific Credit Card Trust 1990-A. The trust will include receivables generated by credit card accounts of Security Pacific Bank, N.A. Those accounts were originated primarily by Security Pacific National Bank's interstate affiliates in Arizona, Oregon, and Washington, and will be serviced by Security Pacific National Bank.

Payments of principal and interest with respect to the certificates are partially supported by a letter of credit provided by the Union Bank of Switzerland.

Security Pacific National Bank is the principal subsidiary of Security Pacific Corp., the fifth-largest bank holding company in the United States with assets of more than $88 billion.

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#90339b0046 12/05/1990 ~Business Wire
SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - A new $47 million Class 1, six-inch wafer, sub-micron R&D and pilot manufacturing facility has been completed in Irvine, Calif., for microelectronics company Western Digital.

The LSI Fab II facility is considered by its San Francisco-based designers RIA Architects and Engineers to have one of the most advanced Class 1 cleanroom environments ever built.

Construction of the 224,000-square-foot facility, including the 16,000-square-foot Class 1 clean room, began in December 1987. The facility's other features include a 30,000-square-foot assembly room and an 18,000-square-foot test room. The remaining 160,000-square-feet of the facility is support space.

The Class 1 clean room is the most critical part of the facility. It is here

that the highly sophisticated six-inch diameter, silicon-based sub-micron wafers are manufactured. Manufacturing conditions must be as pure as possible to prevent minute particles of dust fouling up the delicate working components.

''Class 1 cleanrooms are so clean, they are more than a thousand times cleaner than a hospital surgical suite,'' said RIA President Roger Anderson.

For more than 30 years RIA has pioneered facility design for microelectronics, biotechnology, and space and defense technologies and is one of a select number of firms in the world able to design Class 1 clean rooms.

Anderson said the greatest challenge in developing the ''ultraclean'' Class 1 environment is to design a floor that provides optimum vibration control yet also reduces all chance of air turbulence.

Another unusual feature was RIA's decision by Western Digital to place the Class 1 room's process equipment through the bulkhead wall, with the equipment's maintenance parts in a service chase, thereby ensuring that only the operator parts would occupy the Class 1 cleanroom.

The new facility, which is located adjacent to Western Digital's new corporate headquarters at the company's Spectrum 4 development, consolidates functions previously spread in diverse locations and has been built to accommodate future innovation in manufacturing processes.

RIA was founded in 1952 as a partnership and incorporated under its present name in 1978. The multi-disciplinary firm has pioneered high-technology facility design for clients which include NEC, Fairchild, Honeywell, Hughes, Intel, Memorex, NCR and Xerox.

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SARASOTA, FL (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - OMNI FILMS INTERNATIONAL INC. (NASDAQ:OFII) Wednesday announced record results for the 1990 fiscal year ended Sept. 30.

Revenues were $8,520,459, an increase of 185 percent from $2,984,850 for 1989. Net earnings reached $967,790, or 43 cents per share, compared to a loss of $379,259, or 17 cents per share, in 1989.

Commenting on the record year end results, Fred Hollingsworth III, president, stated: ''The time and resources invested in 1989 to increase our production capabilities paid off greatly with the best year in our company's history in 1990.

''Motion Master, our international award-winning motion simulator, made a major contribution in only its second year in our product line. International and domestic interest in our 70mm cinema systems, as evidenced by our record sales and backlog, is continuing to grow at a rapid pace.''

OMNI's total backlog/contract equipment sales and film leases exceeded $7.3 million after the first 60 days of the 1991 fiscal year. This is triple the backlog figure that existed after the first 60 days of the 1990 fiscal year.

OMNI intends to apply to the NASD during the month of December for inclusion on the National Market System. This will provide broader exposure and real time volume reporting for the stock.

OMNI FILMS INTERNATIONAL INC.
Operating Results

	1990	1989	Increase
Revenues	$8,520,459	$2,984,850	185 percent
Net Earnings	$ 967,970	$ (379,259)	--
Net Earnings Per Share	43 cents	(17 cents)	--
Average Shares Outstanding	2,243,322	2,190,522	--

OMNI FILMS INTERNATIONAL INC. specializes in the design and sale of advanced 70mm wide screen cinema entertainment systems. OMNI also produces, distributes and licenses 70mm films for these systems. OMNI is traded on the NASDAQ system under the symbol OFII.

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CLEVELAND (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - First Union Real Estate Investments (NYSE:FUR) Wednesday announced that its Board of Trustees declared a 4 percent stock dividend in lieu of its customary fourth quarter cash dividend.

The stock dividend will be distributed Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 2, 1991.

Donald S. Schofield, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said, ''Because of the present liquidity crisis which has developed in the real estate industry, the Trust decided to conserve its cash and bank lines of credit at this time. ''Even though our present quarterly cash flow is approximately 37 cents per share, the Trustees felt we should be conservative

in our dividend policy until our industry begins to show signs of recovery.''

He further stated, ''The board expects to resume regular quarterly cash dividends of 25 cents in the first quarter of 1991.''

First Union Real Estate Investments is a self-administered equity real estate investment trust specializing in the ownership of regional enclosed shopping malls, downtown office buildings and multi-family complexes located throughout the United States. The Trust's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange, providing shareholders the opportunity to participate in real estate ownership while maintaining investment liquidity.

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PASADENA, CA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Further to its news release dated Oct. 24, Conversion Industries Inc. has set Dec. 31 as the record date for the distribution to its shareholders of approximately 560,000 shares and approximately 1.4 million rights of Western Energy Management Inc., a less-than-majority-owned subsidiary of Conversion.

Western is a leader in the field of energy conservation dealing with municipalities and the private sector.

The Western distribution to record holders at Dec. 31 is estimated to be made in mid-January. A registration statement will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Any rights not exercised by Conversion shareholders will be exercised on a firm standby underwriting basis by a syndicate headed by Tamaron Securities Inc.

Shareholders of Conversion will receive one share of Western common stock for every five shares of Conversion capital stock and one right of Western for each two shares of Conversion capital stock.

Each right, which expires approximately 45 days from date of distribution, entitles the holder to acquire one share of Western for $3. The common stock and rights will trade separately, and it is anticipated trading will be on a national exchange.

Conversion Industries is an independent power producer and currently owns 52 percent of Calgary-based International Colin Energy Corp. (ToSE:KCN) and 55 percent of PEC Energy Corp. (VcSE:PEK).

These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This communication

shall not constitute an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - United Airlines Wednesday reported that its total scheduled revenue passenger miles (RPMs) increased 8.2 percent in November compared with November of 1989.

The airline's total scheduled RPMs were 5,881,383,000, compared with 5,434,960,000 in November of 1989.

The passenger load factor was 61.4 percent, a decrease of 3.6 points from 65.0 percent a year ago.

For November, domestic revenue passenger miles totaled 4,201,710,000, essentially unchanged from 4,200,966,000 accumulated in November a year ago. Pacific revenue passenger miles totaled 1,608,549,000, an increase of 30.4 percent from 1,233,994,000 a year ago. Atlantic revenue passenger miles totaled 71,124,000.

Total scheduled available seat miles (ASMs) were 9,582,364,000, up 14.5 percent from 8,367,438,000 a year ago.

Domestic ASMs were 7,059,437,000, an increase of 7.5 percent from 6,565,014,000 a year ago. Pacific ASMs totaled 2,396,141,000, up 32.9 percent from 1,802,424,000 a year ago. Atlantic ASMs totaled 126,786,000.

The airline flew 4,522,000 passengers in scheduled service in November, an increase of 4.3 percent from 4,335,000 flown a year earlier.

Total cargo ton miles for November were 130,162,000, up 16.5 percent from 111,692,000 a year ago.

Total RPMs, including charter flights for November, were 5,890,644,000, up 8.3 percent from 5,436,779,000 a year ago.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Quanex Corp. (NYSE:NX), a leading manufacturer of specialty metal products, Wednesday announced net income of $9.1 million for the fourth quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, a 45 percent increase from the same quarter of last year.

Fourth quarter earnings per primary common share (E.P.S.) were 68 cents, a 51 percent increase over last year. Operating earnings rose 36 percent to $19.4 million for the quarter. Quarterly comparisons were affected by the absence of the work stoppage at Michigan Seamless Tube in the fourth quarter of 1989.

Fiscal 1990 sales of $650 million set a new record for the company with most of the year-over-year increase due to the contribution of Nichols-Homeshield, acquired on August 1989.

Net income for the year was $28 million, a four percent decline from fiscal 1989. E.P.S. during fiscal 1990 was $2.03 which met the company's previously stated expectations that, in spite of two labor strikes and a weak national economy, E.P.S. would be in the same ''ballpark'' as the $2.11 E.P.S. earned in fiscal 1989.

Quanex is a technological leader in the manufacuture of steel, aluminum and titanium specialty metal products for transportation, capital equipment, home building and remodeling and energy processing markets.

Latest 12 Month Data: sales: $650.3 million, operating earnings: $57.2 million net income: $28 million, cash from operations: $55.5 million, primary earnings per share: $2.03, quarterly dividend rate:

10 cents per share (12 cents as of Dec. 31, 1990), book value per share: $12.33, long term debt/capitalization: 42 percent, return on shareholders' equity: 17.8 percent, common stock price range (52 week High & Low): $18-5/8 and $9-1/8.

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JAMESTOWN, N.Y. (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Frank T. Costanzo, chief executive officer of Electronic Technology Group Inc. (NASDAQ:ETEK; BSE:ETE) announced Wednesday at its annual meeting of shareholders, that its after-tax income for the first quarter ending Oct. 31, 1990, was $200,831 on revenues of $4,199,956 as contrasted with after-tax income of $49,963 on revenues of $1,384,359 for the comparative 1989 fiscal period.

Edmond L. Lonergan, president of Electronic Technology Group Inc. commented

that he was pleased with the results of the first quarter. Lonergan explained that the results reflected only 10 weeks of sales from the company's newest subsidiary, ACT II Printed Circuit Technology Inc.

Commenting upon the operating results, Curt B. Westrom, chief financial officer explained that the earnings per share for the current fiscal period was 10 cents based upon 2,096,000 outstanding shares as compared to 5 cents per share based upon 1,111,111 outstanding shares during the comparable 1989 period.

Electronic Technology Group Inc. is a manufacturer of high quality electronic assemblies for the medical, industrial controls, transportation and music industries. The company owns and operates EJE Research Corp. of Buffalo, N.Y. Moog Music Manufacturing of Jamestown, Liberty Engineering Inc. of Waltham, Mass. and ACT II Printed Circuits Inc. of Tempe, Ariz.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - ASDAR GROUP INC. (NASDAQ:ASDR), a Las Vegas-based holding company, Wednesday announced that it had entered into a letter of intent to acquire CBC Financial Corp. (CBC) of Newport Beach, Calif.

CBC owns 73 fully leased single-family housing units in Las Vegas and holds lease contracts on approximately 26 automobiles. In addition, CBC is in escrow to acquire approximately 1,250 rental units in Houston.

ASDAR's management has obtained compiled financial statements for CBC for the year ended July 31. These financial statements show CBC had total assets of approximately $4.5 million and net worth of approximately $1.9 million. The letter of intent is subject to a definitive agreement and arrangement of financing.

Tentative terms of the agreement are that ASDAR will exchange 17 million shares, approximately 35 percent of its common stock (on a fully diluted basis) for 100 percent of the stock of CBC. ASDAR shall also pay approximately $500,000 in cash and notes to the principal of CBC, Barton K. Maybie, upon completion of the transaction.

As a further term of the agreement, Barton K. Maybie shall become a director of ASDAR and shall receive a $2,500 per month consulting fee.

ASDAR's management has decided to rescind the acquisition of Unitex Inc. (Unitex). ASDAR management intends to cause the rescission of the acquisition of Unitex to occur simultaneously with the acquisition of CBC on or before

Dec. 31.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - DI Industries Inc. (ASE:DRL), Wednesday released the unaudited pro forma combined condensed statement of operations as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form 8-K, reflecting the purchase of substantially all of the assets of James E. Bigard Drilling Co.

Bigard is the largest drilling contractor in Michigan currently operating nine of the 27 active rigs in the state.

For the year ended March 31, 1990, unaudited pro forma combined revenues increased 46 percent from $32.5 million to $47.3 million, net income increased from a $954,000 loss to net income of $30,000 and net income per common share increased from a 3 cent loss to breakeven.

For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, unaudited pro forma combined revenues increased 32 percent from $22.6 million to $29.9 million, net income increased 52 percent from $984,000 to $1.5 million and net income per common share increased 33 percent from 3 cents per share to 4 cents per share. See the notes to unaudited pro forma combined condensed statement of operations.

The company purchased 12 drilling rigs from Bigard with capabilities to 18,000 feet. The purchase also included the assets of J.B. Tractor and Truck Co., with 26 trucks in its fleet, and A-1 Tool Co. The company is now operating under contract 75 percent of the rigs purchased from Bigard.

DI Industries Inc., provides on-shore contract drilling and well workover services to firms in the oil and gas industry, commercial drilling, oil and gas exploration and production and equipment repair and sales. The common stock of the company trades on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol DRL.

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David J. Cone, 713/874-0202.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The Cummings Group (TCG) and Tera Computer Co. Wednesday announced a cooperative venture to develop and commercialize the Tera NetIOS, a high performance input/output (I/O) subsystem for network computing environments. NetIOS enables high speed workstations, graphics

workstations and/or supercomputers to perform efficient, high speed I/O across a network.

Tera has given TCG a license to commercialize NetIOS and will be a minority partner of TCG. TCG will also develop I/O and networking subsystems for Tera's supercomputer systems.

NetIOS designer and TCG founder, Dan Cummings, describes the partnership as, "a great opportunity for both companies. Tera Computer will continue to develop supercomputer systems and TCG will focus on the high performance network computing environments in which supercomputers must reside."

NetIOS is designed to achieve sustained I/O rates in excess of 150 megabytes per second on each of the Tera supercomputer's 256 I/O processors. Performance improvements on workstations will depend on the specific application and system configuration. NetIOS consists of several software components which may be used together or separately.

TCG is a Washington corporation based on Vashon Island, Wash. The company develops, markets and supports turnkey network computing solutions through a combination of integration services and its own software products. NetIOS is expected to be available for Beta testing in late 1991 and release in early 1992.

Tera Computer Co., headquartered in Seattle, is a supercomputer company with the charter to develop and deliver the most powerful general purpose supercomputer systems available.

Currently in the development stage, Tera is designing a scalable shared memory system based on a proprietary parallel architecture that will allow the system to set new standards for computational performance and provide unsurpassed price/performance characteristics. Product availability is slated for late 1993.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The Times Mirror Co. (NYSE/PSE:TMC) Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend of 27 cents per share on both Series A common stock and Series C common stock.

The dividend is payable on March 10, 1991, to shareholders of record on Feb. 22, 1991.

Times Mirror, a Los Angeles-based media and information company, publishes the

Los Angeles Times, Newsday and New York Newsday, the Baltimore Sun newspapers, The Hartford Courant, The Morning Call, The (Stamford) Advocate and Greenwich Time. The company also has interests in broadcast and cable television, and book, magazine and other publishing.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Barbara Z. Otto has been appointed executive vice president of BankAmerica Corp. and Bank of America, it was announced Wednesday.

Otto, 47, is director of the bank's Credit Examination Services Department with responsibility for the review of the credit management process and portfolio quality of each of the bank's lending units.

Otto joined Bank of America in mid-l986 as a senior vice president. Previously, she had been associated with Crocker National Bank in San Francisco for nine years, where she had advanced to senior vice president and manager of portfolio mangement information systems.

Otto also had 12 years of line and staff experience in the international and domestic operations of Citibank in New York, San Francisco, London and Buenos Aires.

A native of New York City, she is a magna cum laude graduate of Hunter College in New York and also attended the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at New York University. Otto is a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

She is a member of the Metropolitan Club and the Professional Women's Network in San Francisco, and resides with her two children in Marin County, Calif.

Barbara Otto is the third woman to be appointed an executive vice president by Bank of America. Lisa Prescott, who heads the bank's Los Angeles-Gold Coast Region, was appointed an executive vice president in 1989 and Barbara Rambo, head of the bank's Eastern Region of the United States, was named an executive vice president last month.

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SAN LEANDRO, CA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Bay Commercial Services, the bank

holding company for San Leandro-based Bay Bank of Commerce, announced Wednesday that the company has declared a 25 cent per share cash dividend, which will be paid Feb. 13, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Jan. 11, 1991.

Richard M. Kahler, president and chief executive officer stated, "This is the fifth consecutive year cash dividends have been paid by Bay Commercial Services and it is being paid on the tenth anniversary of the opening of Bay Bank of Commerce."

Bay Commercial Services has 1,109,985 shares of common stock issued and outsanding. The common stock of Bay Commercial Services is traded in the over-the-counter market and is listed with the National Quotation Service.

Bay Bank of Commerce, formed in 1981 and headquartered in San Leandro, is a business bank specializing in commercial lending and deposit services for East Bay businesses.

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FREMONT, CA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Everex Systems Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:EVRX) announced Wednesday its financial results for the first quarter of its 1991 fiscal year which ends July 31.

Revenues for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 were $104,803,000, an increase of 6.7 percent over the $98,205,000 for the like quarter last year. Earnings per share were 1 cent on 23,847,000 weighted average shares compared with 18 cents on 23,831,000 weighted average shares for the like quarter of the prior year.

The company had previously announced in mid-October that first quarter earnings could be significantly lower than in the like quarter of the previous year, due primarily to decreased demand resulting from difficult conditions in the U.S. personal computer market and in the general economy.

Gross margins were under pressure during the quarter due to lower than expected sales volume. Gross margin for the fiscal 1991 first quarter was 25.7 percent compared with 26.3 percent for the equivalent quarter in fiscal 1990.

Research and development and selling expenses increased by approximately 9.6 percent from the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990. Michael McCloskey, chief financial officer, stated, ''Everex has implemented company-wide cost containment programs and we expect overall costs to remain flat as a percent of revenue or to decrease as these programs take effect.''

Despite less than expected revenues, balance sheet performance was good.

Inventories increased by only 7.1 percent during the quarter to $86.3 million from $80.6 million at July 31, 1990, and receivables increased 3.1 percent from the previous quarter.

Cash decreased by $12.1 million to $11.8 million during the quarter and was used principally to fund the increase in inventory and receivables and to finance the acquistion of Integrated Office Systems Corp., a government systems integrator. At Oct. 31, 1990, Everex had no outstanding short-term bank obligations.

At the recent Fall COMDEX trade show, Everex introduced over a dozen new personal computer and peripheral products. Of particular note is the Tempo LX notebook personal computer, which has been met with very favorable demand.

Steve Hui, president and chief executive officer, said ''Market conditions continue to be sluggish, and we are cautious on the future outlook. However, we are on track to replace most of our existing product line over the next few months.

''Also, our European expansion and other new channel expansion plans are underway. We expect these product and distribution plans to provide growth in coming quarters even in a difficult sales environment.''

Everex Systems, with headquarters in Fremont, is a leading manufacturer of personal computers and peripheral and enhancement products for the personal computer marketplace. Founded in 1983, Everex markets its products worldwide through a network of value-added dealers and resellers.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Catellus Development Corp., sponsor of the proposed new neighborhood at Mission Bay, announced Wednesday important changes to the development agreement that is scheduled to be reviewed and voted on by the Board of Supervisors. These changes:

- Reduced by 50 percent, to 2.4 million square feet from 4.8 million square feet, the size of Mission Bay's requested exemption from the City's annual limit on office space (Proposition M). The remaining 2.4 million square feet will be submitted to the city's annual office limitation review;

- Provide a specific start-date for building the first 500 units of housing within two years of required public approvals, with construction of homes expected to begin by late 1992;

- Insure that funds for affordable housing are generated totally through surplus tax revenues from Mission Bay;

- Specify in the development agreement that Mission Bay's office space will be used primarily for "back-office" needs.

"We listened carefully to what voters said on Nov. 6," said Vernon Schwartz, Catellus president and chief executive officer," and we want San Franciscans to know that we are committed both to starting and finishing Mission Bay.

"As part of this commitment, we are pleased to announce these changes in the proposed development agreement, as well as the fact that we hope to build our corporate headquarters as the first office building in Mission Bay. It is fitting that we are making these announcements on the first official day of trading Catellus' stock on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges."

"With these substantial and responsive changes in the proposed development agreement," added Jim Augustino, Catellus vice president and Mission Bay project director, "we hope to win approval of the agreement and continue building the base of support that resulted in nearly 100,000 San Franciscans - 600 votes short of a majority - voting for Mission Bay.

"We want to reach out and assure all San Francisco homeowners that Mission Bay will benefit the entire city, at no additional costs."

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SPOKANE, WA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Pegasus Gold Inc. Wednesday announced that its board of directors has declared a dividend on the company's common stock of 10 cents (U.S.) per share.

The dividend will be paid on Jan. 4, 1991, to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 21, 1990.

Pegasus Gold Inc. is a major North American gold producer that currently produces over 300,000 ounces of gold from six mines in the western United States. The company also produces significant amounts of silver, lead and zinc. Pegasus Gold common shares are traded on the American Stock Exchange and the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol PGU. Options on the company's common shares are traded on the Chicago Board Options Exchange and the Vancouver Stock Exchange.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Airlines is demonstrating continued improvement in service quality and operational reliability according to statistics released today by the U.S. Department of Transportation.

"Continental's bankruptcy reorganization on Monday will in no way compromise our strong drive to improve service to our customers," a Continental spokesman said. "Our service quality projects continue uninterrupted, as do our operations and our total commitment to meeting the needs of air travelers."

On Tuesday, the second day of Continental's reorganization, the airline flew 98.1 percent of its scheduled mileage, which is within one-tenth of a percentage point of its regular daily goal. Once again, there were no cancellations attributable in any way to Continental's bankruptcy filing. Departures and arrivals within 60 minutes remained strong at 98 and 96 percent respectively.

"Calls into our reservations centers are within their normal range, indicating that consumers understand that Continental has a viable reorganization underway," the spokesman said. "Our load factor is hitting the target, and the no-show rate is running normal."

Due to a lack of activity, Continental closed a special operations center that it had established to deal with any unusual situations arising from its bankruptcy filing.

DOT statistics released today for the month of November showed that customer satisfaction with Continental, measured as a "complaint rate," was higher than for American, Eastern, Northwest, America West, Pan Am and TWA. For the month of October, Continental had the fifth best on-time performance among major airlines and the third lowest rate of mishandled baggage.

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WATSONVILLE, CA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Granite Construction Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: GCCO) announced Wednesday that it is the apparent low bidder on two new contracts and has been awarded a third, with a combined value of $60.5 million.

This week, Granite submitted the apparent low bid on a $29.3 million dam

project for the Brazos River Authority in Texas. The work entails construction of an earthfill dam, an intake tower, outlet works, a service spillway, an emergency spillway and related appurtenances to impound a reservoir that will provide additional water supplies for the city of Lubbock.

The project, located 65 miles southeast of Lubbock on the Brazos River, is slated to begin in February, and take approximately two and one-half years to complete.

Additionally, the company confirmed that it has been awarded a $12.8 million contract by the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation to widen a three mile section of Loop 289 in Lubbock.

The job involves construction of one additional lane in each direction, two new bridges and widening six existing briges. Construction is scheduled to start later in December and take about 28 months to complete.

Granite also recently submitted the apparent low bid on an $18.4 million freeway reconstruction project for the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in San Jose.

The project involves widening a two-mile segment of Highway 101 by adding two additional lanes from Trimble Road to Interstate 880 and a new eight-lane, cast-in-place concrete bridge at Brokaw Road.

The contract also calls for the widening of two existing structures at North First Street and Guadalupe Parkway from six to eight lanes. Caltrans is expected to award the contract later this month. Construction is scheduled to start in early spring and take about two and one-half years to complete.

Granite is a heavy civil contractor engaged in the construction of dams, highways, airports, tunnels and other infrastructure-related projects.

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KIRKLAND, WA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - In another step toward its goal of developing a seamless cellular network spanning North America, McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. Wednesday announced that non-wireline cellular service has been initiated in northwestern Mexico through Movitel del Noroeste, a partnership in which McCaw is the largest U.S. partner.

Mexico's Region 2, comprised of the states of Sinaloa and Sonora (one of nine government designated cellular service areas), has 5 million potential customers or ''pops.'' McCaw, the largest foreign partner, assisted in the

engineering for construction and will continue to provide operational and management strategy and assistance as the system develops.

John Stanton, McCaw vice chairman who oversees the company's international involvement, said: ''The opportunity for us to participate along with our partners in Movitel del Noroeste allows McCaw to be involved in the development of cellular on the non-wireline systems throughout Mexico by working closely with the other system operators. As we continue to connect our systems throughout the United States and to work closely with our colleagues in Canada, it is only natural that we tie in the Mexican cellular systems to deliver quality cellular calls throughout North America.''

Movitel del Noroeste, which has invested $7 million constructing the Northern Telecom system, is a partnership of six firms, TAMSA, Bachoco and Mazon of Mexico, and Contel, Cellular Trust Company of the West and McCaw of the United States. Formed in January 1990, McCaw owns 22 percent.

McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: MCAWA) is the nation's leading cellular telephone company, with ownership interests in over 100 markets across the country, representing 106 million potential customers or ''pops.'' Approximately 80 percent of the ''pops'' controlled by McCaw and LIN Broadcasting Corp. (NASDAQ: LINB), which is 52 percent owned by McCaw, are in the nation's 30 most populous markets and their contiguous service areas. McCaw Cellular operates major regional systems in California, Florida, Texas, the Pacific Northwest, the Midwest, the Rocky Mountain states and the Northeast, currently offering service primarily under the name Cellular One. LIN Broadcasting holds significant interests in cellular systems in New York, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Dallas and Houston, and operates seven network-affiliated television stations. McCaw also is the nation's sixth largest paging service provider.

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LONGVIEW, WA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Longview Fibre Co.'s annual report for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990, is to be issued in a few days and includes as part of the report most of the following consolidated financial information:

LONGVIEW FIBRE CO.
(Dollars in thousands except per share)

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31		Year Ended Oct. 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$182,651	$181,396	$685,473	$697,725

Income before income taxes	21,617	19,642	92,841	$100,419
Provision for income taxes	7,128	6,032	31,700	33,900
Net income	$ 14,489	$ 13,610	$ 61,141	$ 66,519
Per share:				
Net income	27 cents	25 cents	$ 1.13	$ 1.21
Dividends paid	16 cents	18 cents	52 cents	48 cents
Sales: Logs, thousands of board feet	60,000	51,000	224,000	212,000
Paper, tons	71,000	73,000	273,000	294,000
Paperboard, tons	32,000	36,000	126,000	137,000
Converted products, tons	149,000	149,000	539,000	570,000

On April 6, 1990, the equivalent of a 5-for-1 stock split was effected. All per share figures have been restated on the post split basis.

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SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Nichols Institute (ASE:LAB) announced Wednesday that it has reached an agreement in principle to merge with MPC Laboratory (MPC) located in Houston.

Consideration to be paid for the business and related covenants not to compete will consist of $12 million in cash. Consummation of the transaction is subject to the parties entering into a definitive agreement and satisfaction of a number of conditions.

MPC serves physicians, hospitals and clinics in south Texas and Louisiana. MPC's revenues are approximately $11.5 million on an annual basis.

Dr. Albert L. Nichols, chairman and president of Nichols Institute, said the merger will enhance the service capability of Nichols Institute in the Southwest. Nichols stated that the Institute is also looking forward to its new association with Memorial Pathology Consultants, P.A., which provides services to MPC and the medical community in the greater Houston area.

Nichols Institute provides esoteric diagnostic testing to clients nationwide in the fields of endocrinology, genetics, immunology, microbiology, molecular biology, oncology, serology, special chemistries, toxicology and virology.

It also has regional laboratories in California, the Pacific Northwest and in the Midwest which provide clinical testing to those markets. NIDA-certified substance abuse testing is also provided to

clients nationwide. Nichols Institute Diagnostics manufactures kits for the performance of medical diagnostic tests which are distributed worldwide.

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#90339b0609 12/05/1990 ~Business Wire

EDISON, N.J. (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Addressing an analyst meeting Wednesday morning, Richard Rose, president and chief executive officer of Dataflex Corp. (NASDAQ:DFLX), announced that estimated revenues and earnings for the third quarter ending Dec. 31 will substantially exceed analyst estimates.

Net income for the third fiscal quarter is expected to exceed $1.3 million compared with $669,000 in the 1989 period. The company expects earnings per share to be at least 39 cents, compared with analyst estimates of 33 cents. The company earned 27 cents per share in the prior year period. The expect growth in earnings per share should be achieved despite a 33% increase in the number of shares outstanding as a result of a public equity offering completed in Feb. 1990. Revenues for the fiscal third quarter should exceed $27 million vs. $21.6 million for the period ended Dec. 31, 1989. For the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Dataflex earned $1.6 million or 49 cents per share on revenues of $37.6 million.

Rose stated, ''Our excellent results are due to the successful implementation of a company-wide focus on building our service business.'' The widening in margins was evidenced in the first half of fiscal 1991 when Dataflex's gross margins increased by 27% to 16.9%.

Rose also added, ''We continue to focus on maintaining one of the lowest SG&A expense levels in the industry while building the profitable service and maintenance segment of our business.''

Commenting on fourth quarter and fiscal 1991 results Rose said, ''We expect the positive trends to continue into the fourth quarter resulting in substantial growth in revenues and earnings for fiscal 1991.'' Prior to this announcement, analyst estimates for the fourth quarter and fiscal 1991 are 35 cents and $1.15, respectively. Dataflex earned $1.00 per share for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990.

Dataflex Corp. markets and services a wide selection of personal computers and computer peripheral equipment to end users. Its Mainsite program provides institutions with a full-time, on-site maintenance staff, including spare parts and replacement units. Current Mainsite installations range in size from 1,000 to over 10,000 pieces of equipment.

Note: Mainsite is a registered trademark of Dataflex.

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Gordon McLenithan, 201/321-1100

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - North Atlantic Industries, Inc. (NATL/NASDAQ) today announced the receipt of another order for its Navy Standard Teleprinter (NST) AN/UGC- 143A(V).

The order, which has a value in excess of $18 million, is the largest single order ever received by the Company. To date, orders received for NSTs total more than $52 million. North Atlantic received approval for full production of these teleprinters in late 1989. During the five-year contract period, which ends in June 1994, the Company expects the NST program to account for over $120 million in revenues.

The NST is the most technologically advanced teleprinter on the market. The unit has been fully approved by the Navy and is designed to function in any of four configurations. They include Receive Only (RO), Receive Only with bulk memory storage, Keyboard Send and Receive (KSR) and the sophisticated Automatic Send and Receive (ASR) version.

North Atlantic Industries designs, manufactures and markets computer, computer peripheral, communications and instrumentation products to government and aerospace industry customers. The Company is a leading supplier of TEMPEST printers, MIL-SPEC teleprinters and tape storage systems, as well as phase sensitive instruments.

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Mallory Factor Inc., New York
Chris Danne, 212/242-0000

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SAN BRUNO, Calif. (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Over the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, 44,316 ounces of gold were produced from the Jolu and Silver City facilities, resulting in an after-tax, net cash flow from operations of $6,267,133, or 30 cents per share.

Revenues from the sale of gold and silver from the two facilities amounted to $17,457,030 - a decrease of $1,518,502 over the like period last year. The decrease is attributable to lower grades processed during the quarter as well

as to the lower market price of gold. Direct cash operating costs averaged $194 per ounce of gold during this period.

The company's decision to accelerate the write-off (depreciation) of the operating facility at Jolu in Saskatchewan has resulted in North Lily (NASDAQ:NLMC) showing a loss of $2,533,679 (12 cents per share) for the quarter. With no long-term debt, and $5,897,288 in working capital, North Lily is focusing on select mining properties in North America and Chile that can be placed into production within a short period of time.

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#90339b0616 12/05/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - International CMOS Technology Inc. (''ICT'') (OTC:pink sheets), and Intel Corp. (''Intel'') have reached a settlement of the litigation in the federal district court for the Northern District of California, Civil Action No. 87-20534 WAI.

Suit was filed by Intel against ICT Hyundai U.S., Hyundai Ltd. and several other semiconductor makers and distributors alleging violation of certain Intel patents regarding EPROM devices (the ''District Court Case'').

ICT and Intel have agreed to settle the claims and counterclaims asserted in the District Court Case as between one another. ICT's management is of the opinion that the settlement of the District Court Case has no material impact on ICT.

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#90339b0617 12/05/1990 ~Business Wire

SCOTTS VALLEY, CA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - E-mu Systems, the pioneering American electronic musical instrument company, has closed a $2 million financing package with Matrix Partners of Menlo Park.

Notable for making instruments used by composers in movies such as ''Batman,'' ''Dick Tracy,'' ''The Hunt for Red October'' and by countless pop recording and touring artists, E-mu has grown substantially without benefit of venture funding.

Having achieved cult fame among top musicians for its high-quality digital sampling-based instruments, E-mu's popularity entered a dramatic new phase with the introduction of the $1,000 Proteus I ''pop band in a box'' in

mid-1989.

The Proteus went on to win Keyboard magazine's Technical Innovation of The Year award, as well as the Technical Excellence and Creativity award from Mix magazine.

Following that success, a complementary Proteus II was added to the line, containing an entire symphonic orchestra of CD-quality sampled instruments in a two-inch high rack-mounted box.

Joseph Rizzi, a principal in Matrix Partners, commented that E-mu's innovative applications of its proprietary custom VLSI technology was key to the musical instrument firm being included in their portfolio of emerging technology-oriented companies.

Regarding Matrix's role at E-mu, Rizzi stated that he and partner Rick Fluegel will gain seats on E-mu's board of directors and that their firm's investment is designed to fuel the next phase of E-mu's growth.

Charlie Askanas, president and chief executive officer of E-mu, commented that the financing will be an important asset in realizing E-mu's strategic goals. Moving from strategy to tactical planning, Askanas stated ''We seek to surpass customers' already high expectations of E-mu product quality.

''In essence, that means delighting them with everything we make -- a program we refer to as 'Total Quality'.'' Continuing this theme, Askanas stated, ''bringing Total Quality products quickly to market at a low cost will be absolutely key to our gaining and defending market share.''

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   David Sweet, 408/292-6601.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Winners Circle Inc. (NASDAQ:WNRS), a manufacturer of promotional apparel, has been accepted for listing on the Pacific Stock Exchange as of Nov. 28, 1990, according to Lester D. Abrams, Winner's president.

The stock will trade under the symbol WNR.

Abrams noted that the PSE listing should enhance the marketability of the company's shares, increase its visibility to the marketplace, make the company eligible for broader statistical coverage and make the shares marginable at certain price levels.

Winners Circle is a leading designer and manufacturer of sports apparel,

including jackets, sweatshirts and T-shirts featuring logos, slogans and other promotional messages. Prominent Winners customers include the Disney Companies Paramount Picture Corp., Motown Records, the Los Angeles Lakers, Warner Bros. BASF Corp. and a number of major ski companies.

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CHERRY HILL, NJ (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - THE SCORE BOARD INC. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: BSBL) Wednesday announced record revenues and income for the third quarter and nine months ended October 31.

Sales for the third quarter ended October 31 increased 51 percent to $10,709,140 from $7,085,227 recorded for the same quarter in the previous year. Net income for the quarter ended October 31 increased 78 percent to $796,390, or 27 cents per share compared to net income of $447,946, or 16 cents per share for the same period a year ago.

Sales for the nine months ended October 31 increased 76 percent to $25,269,242 from $14,390,335 reported for the nine months ended October 31, 1989. Net income for the period increased 158 percent to $2,171,059, or 72 cents per share, compared to net income of $843,058, or 30 cents per share reported in the same period a year ago. Per share results for the three and nine month periods ended October 31 reflect a one time charge of $211,424, or 04 cents per share, as a result of costs incurred due to the company's decision to cancel a proposed public offering.

Per share results for the nine months ended October 31, 1989 reflect an extraordinary credit of $10,000, or less than 1 cent per share, resulting from the utilization of an operating loss carryforward.

THE SCORE BOARD INC. is one of the largest distributors of baseball cards and sports-related memorabilia. It also markets the Classic Major League Baseball trivia board game and World Wrestling Federation (WWF) trading cards through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Classic Games Inc.

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SANTA ANA, CA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Gish Biomedical Inc. (NASDAQ:GISH), a developer and manufacturer of critical-care and surgical devices, announced Wednesday that anticipated sales for the second fiscal quarter which will end

Dec. 31, 1990, will be closer to $5 million rather than the $5.5 million projected by analysts.

The expected $5 million in sales would favorably compare with sales of $4.3 million for the same fiscal quarter last year. Projected earnings are expected to be approximately 12 cents per share, compared with 10 cents for the same three-month period last year.

Jack Brown, president and chief executive officer, stated that this slowdown in sales is attributed to Gish's distributors lowering their inventory levels. ''The open heart surgery caseload has not changed; however, our distributor ordering patterns have been affected by the general economic slowdown.''

Gish Biomedical designs and manufactures specialty devices used in open heart surgery, oncology, emergency care, obstetrics, ophthalmology and other specialized applications within the hospital.

Gish distributes its products through an international dealer network which sells directly to the hospital specialists. Gish maintains a competitive advantage through innovative product design, quality of manufacture and superior customer service.

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SALT LAKE CITY (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Dayna Communications Inc. Wednesday announced the availability of 10BASE-T support for its full line of DaynaPORT Ethernet adapters for Macintosh computers and for its EtherPrint connector for LocalTalk network printers.

The following product models are now available with RJ-45 connectors for connecting to 10BASE-T cable systems. Product Description DaynaPORT E/II-T Ethernet card for Macintosh II family DaynaPORT E/SE-T Ethernet card for Macintosh SE DaynaPORT E/30-T Ethernet card for Macintosh SE/30 EtherPrint-T Ethernet connector for LocalTalk printers

Versions of all products are still available with BNC connectors to support thin Ethernet and AUI ports to support thick Ethernet and other media through an external transceiver.

The DaynaPORT E/LC and E/si cards for the Macintosh LC and IIsi, due to ship in February 1991, will also be available with 10BASE-T connectors. These cards will also feature support for the 68882 Floating Point Math Coprocessor.

The DaynaPORT E/si card, originally announced on Oct. 17 as requiring the

Apple 030 Direct Slot adapter, will now be manufactured as a Processor Direct Slot (PDS) card which will not require a Direct Slot adapter.

The 10BASE-T versions of the DaynaPORT cards and EtherPrint are available immediately.

Dayna Communications Inc. is a privately held company that designs and manufactures a range of products to meet the connectivity needs of personal computer users.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Management Technologies Corp. (''IMTECH'') 1/8NASDAQ:IMTKA (common), IMTKU (units), IMTKW (warrants)3/8 Wednesday announced that it has entered into a receivables-based business funding relationship with Access Capital, Inc., New York.

There is no preset limitation on the total amount Access Capital will provide to IMTECH, but it is based on the receivables generated by IMTECH. Access Capital will earn a service fee for capital provided, but will not receive any equity in IMTECH.

The Company and Access Capital have reached an agreement with IMTECH's present lender, State Street Bank of Boston, for a transitional period wherein remittances from receivables existing at the closing date are applied to repayment of the outstanding balance of the note with State Street until it is paid in full. IMTECH anticipates full repayment of the State Street loan by mid-January, 1991.

Pierce Lowrey, Chief Executive Officer of IMTECH commented, ''The arrangement with Access Capital will provide IMTECH with additional available cash funds that will assist in our continuing efforts to meet IMTECH's growth objectives.''

Miles M. Stuchin, President of Access Capital, noted, ''We are pleased to welcome IMTECH to the group of young, high-growth companies whose expansion needs are met by Access Capital.''

IMTECH provides on-site and off-site ''outsourcing'' of a wide range of back office services to companies in the services sector. These services include an optical data storage system -- Computer Output Information System (''COINS''), electronic publishing, fulfillment, printing, reproduction and general mail room operations. IMTECH's information facilities management (''IFM'') capabilities provide companies with the ability to contract out ancillary

services to reduce operating costs and improve productivity, thereby allowing management to focus on its primary corporate objectives.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Hotel Investors Trust, a real estate investment trust, and Hotel Investors Corp., a hotel management company, whose shares are paired and trade together (NYSE:HOT), Wednesday announced that they had rejected the recent proposal by Park Plaza Inc. and EIE International Corp. for an alternative transaction to the previously agreed-to purchase of 27 hotels by Park Plaza from Hotel Investors at a price of approximately $152 million pursuant to the Asset Purchase Agreement dated as of May 9, 1990.

Under the proposed alternative transaction, Park Plaza would have purchased a portion of such hotels, while its affiliate Park Inns leased the balance of the hotels with an agreement for their future purchase by Park Inns.

Hotel Investors has notified Park Plaza and EIE that Hotel Investors intends to carry out its obligations under the Asset Purchase Agreement by seeking shareholder and stockholder approval of the 27-hotel sale at the Dec. 20 Special Meetings, and expects Park Plaza and EIE to either complete the purchase at the currently scheduled Jan. 10, 1991, closing or to agree to the immediate release of the $4 million plus interest currently in an escrowed deposit.

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MILPITAS, CALIF. (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Octel Communications (NASDAQ:OCTL) announced Wednesday that PacTel Cellular has purchased Octel Sierra voice processing platforms to provide cellular telephone answering and voice mail service to the greater Los Angeles area, the largest cellular telephone service market in North America.

PacTel introduced Message Manager cellular telephone answering and voice mail service to greater Los Angeles in October. Message Manager answers customers' cellular telephones, plays their personal greeting and takes messages when the telephone is unanswered, busy or out of the PacTel Cellular service area. Customers can retrieve messages at any time from any touch tone telephone using a personal security code.

In addition, Message Manager's voice mail option allows customers to send, forward and distribute voice mail messages to other individual customers or to designated groups which they establish, such as all of the employees on a sales staff.

Messages are stored in the Sierra voice processing platform at PacTel Cellular with no need for equipment attached to the customer's cellular phone.

''PacTel Message Manager is a powerful new tool for cellular users who want to increase their personal productivity,'' said Sally Pelmear, director of marketing for PacTel Cellular in Los Angeles. ''Because it answers and takes messages when the cellular phone is busy or out of the service area, important calls are never missed.

Octel Communications Corp. designs, manufactures and markets a full line of high-performance voice processing systems. Octel's Aspen product line is sold in the United States, Canada and overseas to small businesses and large multisite corporations.

PacTel Cellular is a subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, a worldwide diversified telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

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BURBANK, Calif. (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Matthews Studio Equipment Group (NASDAQ:MATT), through Hollywood Rental Co. Inc., its wholly owned subsidiary, has completed its purchase of eight combination tractor-trailer production vans equipped with 16 heavy duty generators, from Richman Equipment Corp. at the cost of $1.3 million.

Management stated that this latest acquisition will improve and expand Matthews' ability to service the production industry by providing vehicular support in addition to the already available popular lines of rental film and television production equipment.

Matthews' goal is to provide ''one stop shopping'' for film and television production professionals.

As the Matthews Studio Equipment Group enters its third decade, it has become the preeminent provider of services to the worldwide motion picture, television and media production industries by supplying the prefessional equipment, accessories, expendable supplies and other basic ''tools of the trade'' required to make a feature film or television production or broadcast through its manufacturing subsidiaries, rental and sales.

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PERRY, Fla. (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of First Federal Savings Bank of Perry (NASDAQ:FPRY) has unanimously approved a plan providing for the reorganization of First Federal into a holding company structure in which it will become the subsidiary of a newly formed holding company to be known as First Financial Bancorp Inc.

Under the plan, the existing stockholders of First Federal will exchange their shares of First Federal common stock on a one-to-one basis for shares of common stock in the new holding company which will thereafter own all of the outstanding shares of First Federal. Consummation of the plan is subject to receipt of both OTS and First Federal stockholder approval.

The annual meeting of stockholders to consider the plan is scheduled to be held on Jan. 24, 1991.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxicare Health Plans Inc. emerged from Chapter 11 protection Wednesday, successfully completing its reorganization in only 21 months.

Maxicare's recovery comes at an excellent time. The managed health care market is expected to increase significantly throughout the 1990s.

''Our company is viable because we focused on the basics of arranging for accessible quality health care at a reasonable cost,'' stated Peter J. Ratican chairman and chief executive officer of Maxicare.

Ratican pointed to the company's longstanding policy of contracting with quality-oriented medical providers, while having the flexibility to work with employers to shape the types of health care coverage they need for the 1990s.

That strategy has already paid off for Maxicare which has signed many new 1991 contracts including Bank of America, GTE, The Motion Picture Industry Health and Pension Plans, Price Waterhouse, Sears and Stanford University.

Ratican thanked the many people who helped achieve the goal of successfully restructuring the company. He especially recognized and thanked the efforts of Maxicare's employees. In particular, he singled out the accomplishments of Eugene L. Froelich, Maxicare's chief financial officer, as the chief architect of the company's financial restructuring.

Maxicare reported a profitable quarter in the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990. It was the first profitable quarter for the company in four years.

The Reorganization Plan was confirmed by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Santa Ana, Calif., on Aug. 31, 1990. Pursuant to the plan, creditors committees agreed to go effective with minimum cash of $75,150,000.

The payment of enrollee claims, administrative claims, convenience claims, secured and other priority claims will occur as soon as practicable under the plan. All other allowed claims will begin to receive cash and securities approximately 90 days from the effective date.

Maxicare Health Plans Inc. operates in seven states: California, Indiana, Illinois, Louisiana, North Carolina, South Carolina and Wisconsin.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC), under the auspices of its Gulf Consolidated Office has awarded an asset management contract to R&B Realty Group.

According to Freeman Lyle, vice president of R&B's Asset Management Co., the portfolio of assets of a combination of real estate owned and non-performing loans having a total value of approximately $167 million. The assets are located primarily in the state of Texas.

While this is R&B's first contract with the RTC, the firm continues to manage a substantial portfolio of assets throughout the country for the FDIC under contracts awarded by the FSLIC.

According to Lyle, the assets will be managed from R&B's Houston asset management office in the Westchase area. Currently, the firm, which has headquarters in Los Angeles, operates satellite offices in Chicago and Alexandria, Va., as well as regional and divisional management offices in 17 locations nationwide.

R&B Asset Management is a division of Los Angeles-based R&B Realty Group, a multifaceted real estate related organization managing a portfolio valued in excess of $3 billion coast to coast.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. (MEI) plans to develop high-performance computer systems based on SPARC, a RISC microprocessor architecture designed by Sun Microsystems.

MEI has chosen SPARC as its RISC architecture and will use it in products for the UNIX systems and embedded controller markets.

MEI's new desktop and laptop SPARC systems will run Sun's UNIX operating system, its networking standard, ONC, and the intuitive OPEN LOOK graphical user interface. These computers will conform to SPARC Compliance Definition (SCD) 1.0 from SPARC International, assuring compatibility with SCD-compliant SPARC systems from other vendors.

The Japanese firm's SPARC computers will utilize MEI's expertise in multimedia technology. Meanwhile, the company's SPARC embedded controllers will be incorporated in its consumer electronics products, an area in which MEI leads the industry.

Besides SPARC, MEI plans to license from Sun its operating system, SunOS, JLE (Japanese Language Environment), a localized version of SunOS, OpenWindows (made up of OPEN LOOK, the X11/NeWS Window System and XView toolkit for designing OPEN LOOK applications) and ONC.

Other software to be licensed includes C and FORTRAN compilers and the SPARC Development Kit, which helps companies design SPARC systems quickly and easily through Sun's SPARCsim simulator and other tools.

MEI has also agreed to enter into a reseller contract valued at approximately

$150 million to purchase Sun SPARCstation products within three years. MEI will use the computers internally and will resell them through its distribution channels in Japan.

According to an MEI spokesperson, ''Matsushita considers SPARC/UNIX/OPEN LOOK/ONC a major part of our future direction in the computer marketplace. This platform will allow us to develop products quickly and be assured of a large and growing market with the largest installed base and application software offering of any RISC architecture.''

Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. is one of the world's most comprehensive manufacturers of electric and electronic equipment and ranks as the leader in the consumer electronics market in Japan.

It manufactures products under the brand names of National, Panasonic, Quasar and Technics. This international corporation now encompasses approximately 200,000 employees, marketing its products in more than 160 countries.

Sun Microsystems Inc., a multi-national corporation, is the leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Federal Inc. will supply powerful SPARC-based workstations to the Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT) through a contract estimated to reach $7.4 million during the next two years.

AFIT, located at Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio, is an educational institution for Air Force students at the graduate level. Sun workstations will support Air Force education and research conducted by faculty and students.

Under terms of the contract, Sun will include its standard UNIX operating system, SunOS and the OPEN LOOK graphical user interface with the SPARC systems to be purchased by AFIT. These systems include Sun's SPARCstation desktop computers and SPARCservers. Sun will also install and support its NFS distributed computing file system and other ONC products. Additionally, C and FORTRAN compilers will be shipped.

The combination of Sun's networking, along with its software and hardware platforms will enable AFIT to move to a ''workgroup computing'' model in which networks of people share resources using ''clients'' -- powerful desktop workstations -- linked to ''servers'' that manipulate information.

AFIT will utilize Sun workstations for document preparation, C and FORTRAN programming, and when combined with third-party engineering packages, for statistical analysis and fluid dynamics engineering.

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Coast Savings Financial Inc. (NYSE/PSE:CSA) announced Wednesday that its subsidiary, Coast Federal Bank, FSB, has not received any acceptable offers to purchase its Central Valley retail banking offices and has determined they will not be sold at this time.

The company also announced that it continues to evaluate the offers received for its San Diego offices, all of which are below its original expectation. Any sale of the San Diego offices will be subject to execution of a definitive agreement and regulatory approval and, in any event, will not be completed prior to year end.

As a result of this and other factors, the company expects that Coast Federal Bank, FSB, will fail to meet the Office of Thrift Supervision's (OTS) increased risk-adjusted capital requirement of 7.2 percent effective as of Dec. 31, 1990.

In addition, it is unlikely that Coast will be able to achieve compliance with the OTS pending higher leverage capital requirement which the company anticipates will become effective during 1991.

The company also announced that as a result of the findings of the recently completed joint OTS and FDIC examination of the bank, the bank will be required to enter into a Supervisory Agreement with the OTS.

Under terms of the proposed agreement, the bank will be required to file a capital compliance plan with the OTS within 60 days, refrain from increasing liabilities beyond a specified level and revise certain policies and

procedures.

In addition, Coast will be prohibited from declaring or paying any dividend, repurchasing any class of stock or redeeming any outstanding subordinated debt without prior approval from the OTS.

Coast Savings Financial is the holding company of Coast Federal Bank. With assets of over $10 billion, Coast is one of the nation's largest thrift institutions. Coast's primary emphasis is on residential real estate lending and retail banking provided through 120 retail banking offices and eight regional mortgage lending centers located throughout California.

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SYRACUSE, NY (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - ONBANCorp Inc. (NASDAQ: ONBK) Wednesday reported that the board of directors approved a 40 percent increase in its quarterly cash dividend to 7 cents per quarter or 28 cents on an annualized basis.

The increased dividend of 7 cents per common share will be payable on Jan. 2, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 19, 1990. The dividend represents a 2 cent per share increase over the 5 cents per common share paid in each of the prior four quarters and is the third successive yearly increase in ONBANCorp dividends.

Robert J. Bennett, chairman, president and chief executive officer stated, ''The steady improvement in ONBANCorp's core profit performance during 1990, despite considerable dislocation in the general banking industry, has enabled our board of directors to increase the return to our shareholders.'' Bennett noted that ''the company's first nine months earnings of $11 million exceeded the entire prior year total for 1989 of $10.96 million.'' 1989 was a record year.

''We also take great pride that the November 1990 issue of U.S. Banker ranked ONBANCorp's performance 'best in New York State and 8th in the NATION' among the largest thrift banking institutions.''

ONBANCorp's upstate New York market area activities include community and business lending, mortgages, home equity lines of credit, education lending, consumer credit, and deposit accounts for consumers and businesses.

ONBANCorp, with $1.9 billion in assets, is the bank holding company for OnBank and is the only Syracuse headquartered banking company with assets exceeding $1 billion. OnBank operates out of 27 locations in upstate New York,

including seven specialized lending offices in the regional communities of Syracuse, Auburn, Rome, Utica, Rochester, Rockland, Poughkeepsie, Binghamton, Buffalo and Albany, and has insurance and investment operations.

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WOODLAND HILLS, Calif. (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - 20th Century Industries, (NASDAQ:TWEN) the Woodland Hills-based holding company for its insurance subsidiaries, 20th Century Insurance Co. and 21st Century Casualty Co., announced Wednesday that the accounting firm of Ernst & Young has been appointed as the company's new independent auditor effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Ernst & Young will replace the company's previous auditor, Maginnis, Knechtel & McIntyre. The work of Maginnis, Knechtel & McIntyre will be replaced after 20th Century's Form 10-K report of Dec. 31, 1990 is filed on March 31, 1991.

20th Century Industries is a publicly held company. Wholly owned subsidiaries are 20th Century Insurance Co. which markets automobile, homeowners and personal excess liability insurance and 21st Century Casualty Co., which markets automobile and condominium insurance.

Both insurance subsidiaries sell directly to consumers without agents. 20th Century Industries and subsidiaries' offices are located at 6301 Owensmouth Ave., Woodland Hills, Calif., 91367; phone: 818/704-3514.

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CORONA, CA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Golden Cheese Company of California (GCCC), is the 13th fastest-growing privately held company in the United States among 500 such companies, according to Inc. Magazine's 500 list, which has been ranking companies for the past eight years.

''Since starting production of Real California cheeses over five years ago, Golden Cheese has continued to top its own production records as the world's largest fully integrated natural cheese plant,'' said David Wooten, president of GCCC.

In 1989, Golden Cheese produced over 80 million pounds of natural cheddar, monterey jack, pepper jack, colby, mozzarella, Golden Balance (a reduced-fat

cheese line) and Shreddar (part-skim cheese for shredding), representing 12 percent of all cheese consumed by Californians.

In 1990, Golden Cheese will make more than 90 million pounds of natural cheeses in all sizes and shapes, ranging from eight-ounce retail packages up to 40-pound bulk blocks. That amounts to enough cheese to cover three cheeseburgers a week for all 30 million Californians all year.

Golden Cheese also has an annual production of 2.5 million gallons of ethanol alcohol, 7 million pounds of whey protein powder, 3 million pounds of butter and 37 million pounds of animal feed supplements.

The company has received more than 20 gold medals at the Los Angeles County Fair for its exceptional cheese and has received awards of excellence for its newly developed Golden Balance reduced-fat cheese.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Echelon Corp., a Palo Alto-based company, announced the availability of LONBUILDER, an easy-to-use developer's workbench that will help companies incorporate a new class of control technology into products ranging from light bulbs to factory robots.

The new technology, called LON (local operating network), makes possible a new generation of smart, low-cost products that communicate with one another. LONBUILDER, a critical part of Echelon's LONWORKS product line, is a completely integrated, easy-to-use hardware and software environment for developing LONs.

LONBUILDER uses an object-oriented development model to provide users with a straightforward and easy-to-use method of programming applications. LONBUILDER, which uses a standard IBM PC/AT or compatible computer, makes it possible to develop a range of systems from small control networks of several ''smart nodes'' with simple on-and-off commands to large networks with thousands of smart nodes communicating over multiple media, including electrical powerlines, radio waves, optical fiber, coaxial cable, infrared, and twisted pair.

LONBUILDER supports the NEURON C programming language, a powerful, high-level language designed by Echelon to manage the details of network communications and device interfaces. Neuron C is based on the familiar ANSI C language.

Echelon Corp. was founded in 1988 to develop a new technology for the creation of the next generation of ''smart'' products. Echelon is a privately held

company headquartered in Palo Alto, Calif.

The company has a subsidiary, Echelon Europe, Ltd., located in the United Kingdom, phone number 011 44 71 431 1600. LONWORKS, LONBUILDER, NEURON C, NEURON CHIP and LONTALK are trademarks of Echelon Corp. Echelon and NEURON are registered trademarks of Echelon Corp.

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WALTHAM, MA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - IPL Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:IPLSA) Wednesday announced agreement with Bull Worldwide Information Systems for domestic service of IPL products for IBM midrange systems.

Under the terms of the agreement, Bull will provide a range of support services to IPL's U.S. DASD and tape subsystems under its TotalCare Service program. These services include contracted on-site response options and installation service. Both warranty and out-of-warranty service are part of Bull's service program.

In addition, IPL's customers will be able to call Bull's National Response Center, toll free, 24 hours a day, seven days a week to request service.

''We are pleased to offer our existing and potential customers an expanded service and support capability which will be provided by a company which is a recognized leader in the high technology service marketplace,'' said Phillip Guerard, IPL's senior manager of customer support and services.

Guerard continued, ''Since the Bull agreement will bring an increased level of service coverage to our U.S. customers, IPL will now be able to distribute its products throughout the U.S. without geographic limitations. This creates marketing opportunities for both IPL and Bull.''

Richard Suech, Bull's vice president, customer services operations, agreed. ''We can help IPL increase its market share and provide a high quality of on-site service to help meet their customers' needs. At the same time, servicing IPL's customers will provide Bull a new base to expand its service business.''

In October, IPL Systems and Richard Besner & Associates Ltd., one of Canada's major computer maintenance firms, reached agreement for RBA to provide Canadian service of IPL products. IPL's overseas service and maintenance is

handled by a variety of distributors, providing broad coverage of the European market.

IPL Systems supports its customers around the world with an international network of distributors and service providers backed by its own 24 hour, seven days a week technical support organization.

IPL (NASDAQ:IPLSA) designs, manufactures, markets and services a broad range of DASD and tape subsystems, plus memory upgrades for IBM midrange computers. The company was founded in 1973.

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STOCKHOLM, Sweden (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson is creating a new company for mobile networks in the field of business communications: Ericsson Business Mobile Networks BV.

The company will be headquartered in the Netherlands, where development and production have already been established in this field. Colin Buckingham, currently president of Ericsson Radio Systems BV, has been named president of the new company.

The company will initially develop, and through Ericsson's sales companies, market cordless communications systems for businesses, organizations and network operators.

These cordless communications systems can be connected to practically all types of private branch exchanges (PBXs). Already in 1991, the system will be sold as an integrated part of Ericsson's own digital PBX, the MD110 and BusinessPhone BCS 150.

The total world market for cordless communications networks has been variously estimated at between $15-50 billion and a significant portion of all private network users are expected to use cordless telephones within a few years.

The components of the Ericsson Business Mobile Networks system include a private communications network, radio base stations, and small portable telephones.

This is the first system in the world, based on picocell technology offering full mobility and at the same time interference-free communication, automatic

search within the coverage area and voice quality that equals hard-wired telephone networks.

''It is our experience from cellular mobile telephony, combined with our advanced PBX technology that makes it possible for us, as the first supplier in the world, to offer cordless communications systems for businesses and organizations,'' commented Lars Ramqvist, Ericsson president and CEO.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications recognized for its advanced systems and products for wired and mobile communications in public and private networks.

Ericsson ADRs are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ERICY.

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MEMPHIS, TN (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Response Technologies Inc. (ASE:RTK) (NASDAQ/NMS:BITXP) Wednesday reported results for the second quarter and six month period ended Oct. 31, 1990.

The company reduced its loss for the three month period ended Oct. 31, 1990 by 82 percent to $449,000 (8 cents per share) from a loss of $2.57 million (50 cents per share) for the same period of the prior year.

Net revenue increased by 330 percent from $272,000 to $1.17 million between the two quarters ended Oct. 31, 1990 and total costs and expenses were reduced by 44 percent from $2.96 million to $1.65 million.

The loss for the six month period ended Oct. 31, 1990 was reduced by 84 percent to $839,000 (16 cents per share) from $5.32 million ($1.04 per share) for the same period last year. Net revenue increased by 97 percent from $1.19 million to $2.36 million between the two six month periods ended Oct. 31, 1990 and total costs and expenses were reduced by 52 percent from $6.86 million to $3.26 million.

''We believe that our recently announced recapitalization, along with the continuing reduction in the loss, bode well for the future of the company,'' said William H. West, M.D., president and chief executive officer.

''These financial results are being generated by four centers, two of which just opened this quarter. Our fifth center is currently under development in Clearwater, Fla., and we are in discussions concerning potential centers at four other sites,'' continued West.

Response Technologies owns and operates IMPACT Centers which provide private practicing oncologists with the resources necessary to deliver advanced cancer treatments on an outpatient basis, principally through licensed pharmacies, laboratories and blood banks. The company operates IMPACT Centers in Memphis, Tampa, Fla., and Hollywood, Fla., and Columbia, Mo.

The common stock of Response Technologies Inc. is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol RTK and its preferred stock is traded on the NASDAQ/NMS under the symbol BITXP.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - A new class of control technology, introduced Wednesday, provides the first low-cost way to distribute intelligence and control across groups of products.

Tools and components announced by Echelon, a Palo Alto, Calif.-based company, will make possible a new generation of ''smart'' products that have greatly increased functionality, efficiency and convenience. Products in many industries will be affected.

Support for the new technology platform was announced jointly by Motorola and by Toshiba. Both companies will produce the low-cost multiprocessor NEURON CHIP that makes the new intelligent control networks possible.

The new technology makes it easy for manufacturers to create inexpensive, virtually invisible networks of intelligent control devices that can sense, communicate and cooperate.

There can be more than 32,000 sense and control nodes per system. Small networks can be placed inside individual products such as copiers, automobiles or lighting systems. Larger networks can create ''smart environments'' in homes, buildings and factories.

Called a ''local operating network'' -- or LON -- the new network adds intelligence, communication and control functions to familiar products. Nodes on the network are ''smart nodes'' that can have the ability to sense and monitor, count and tell time, manage switches and relays and respond to conditions reported from other smart nodes.

LONs also provide a platform for communication and cooperation among products. Even simple products, if they communicate, can be linked together to form networks of great flexibility and power. Products will be able to communicate

and interact through common media such as electrical powerlines in a building or home, radio waves, twisted pair, coaxial cable or optical fiber.

Echelon is supporting the new LON technology with LONWORKS, a line of tools and components. These include LONBUILDER, a developer's workbench that makes it easy for engineers and manufacturers to accelerate the devlivery of LONWORKS-based products to market.

The LONs themselves will be built from off-the-shelf interlocking parts, including a powerful multiprocessor NEURON CHIP for each network node and a family of LONWORKS transceivers that connect these ''smart nodes'' via common media.

The LON concept was originated by Markkula, who funded three years of research before bringing the technology concept to Oshman. Markkula interested Oshman with what Markkula described as a ''chip small enough to fit any type of product, smart enough to communicate and to control other devices, flexible enough to communicate over standard media and cheap enough that anybody could afford it.''

This became the blueprint for the multiprocessor NEURON CHIP, which is the heart of the LONWORKS product line.

In recent years microprocessors and microcontrollers have increased the amount of intelligence in products from automobiles to programmable thermostats and from dishwashers to factory robots.

By and large, these products are considered ''smart,'' but do not have the ability to communicate with one another. If these smart products do communicate in some type of network today, they usually do so through a master controller and not directly.

Echelon's LONWORKS puts both intelligence and communications into each product permitting direct communication and cooperation among products, creating a more responsive and interactive environment for users and enabling products and environments that can operate more efficiently.

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AKRON, OH (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Ohio Edison Co. Wednesday announced that it has filed an application with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for

a permit to install tire-combustion handling equipment at its Toronto Plant in Toronto, Ohio.

In late May, Ohio Edison conducted an EPA-approved test at the Toronto Plant to determine the effect of burning waste tires with coal on plant performance and emissions. The four-day test showed no reduction in the performance of the plant or its environmental systems.

The test was conducted at Toronto because one of its boilers is suited for the controlled combustion of tires. During the test, tires comprised up to 20 percent of the boiler's fuel.

Edison expects it could burn about three million waste tires annually as a low-cost fuel at the plant, recovering the energy equivalent of 170,000 barrels of oil from waste tires otherwise headed for landfills or tire piles.

With approvals of the Ohio and U.S. EPA, waste tire combustion could begin at the Toronto Plant as early as the first quarter of 1991.

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MONTVALE, NJ (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. Inc. announced Wednesday that Fred Corrado, executive vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer, had been elected to the company's board of directors at their meeting on Dec. 4th.

Corrado, 50, who is now the 11th member of the A&P board of directors, joined the company in January 1987 as executive vice president and chief financial officer from Nabisco Brands Inc., where he was president and chief operating officer of Nabisco Brands Ltd. in Toronto, Canada.

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GABORONE, BOTSWANA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The Government of the Republic of Botswana and Lazare Kaplan International Inc. (''LKI'') announced Wednesday that they have signed a long-term agreement for the establishment of a diamond cutting and polishing factory in Botswana.

C.M. Lekaukau, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Mineral Resources and Water Affairs, signed on behalf of the Government and Leon Tempelsman, president of

LKI, on behalf of the company. Botswana is regarded today as the most important rough gem diamond producing country in the world. LKI is the largest cutter and polisher of gem diamonds the United States, and sells its diamonds and jewelry products through a worldwide distribution network.

The government will own 15 percent of the new company and will be represented on its board. The cutting and polishing factory, representing a major new investment by a U.S. company in Botswana, will be a state-of-the-art facility using both automated and manual equipment, managed by LKI and committed to train and employ Botswana workers, with an ultimate goal of at least 500 skilled employees. The supply of rough diamonds to LKI will be expanded in order to efficiently operate the new facility. LKI will market its output worldwide.

According to Maurice Tempelsman, chairman of LKI, the factory in Botswana is intended to cut and polish rough diamonds which are presently not processed in the company's facility in Puerto Rico. It will also expand the product line of LKI by offering polished diamonds in sizes and qualities not currently in production. He went on to say, ''The establishment of this facility emphasizes the company's commitment to play an important role in the economy of Botswana.''

Lazare Kaplan International Inc. (AMEX:LKI) sells its diamonds and jewelry products through a worldwide distribution network. The company is noted for its ideal cut diamonds which it markets internationally under the brand name, The Lazare Diamond.

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INDIANAPOLIS (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Basic American Medical Inc. (BAMI) announced it has acquired through a wholly-owned subsidiary, certain assets in Charlotte, N.C., used in the manufacture of acute and long-term care beds, pediatric hospital cribs and other products and sold under the name Simmons Health Care.

Brady R. Justice Jr., president of BAMI, stated, ''Simmons has long been recognized in the industry as a leading provider of quality health care products. This acquisition will enable us to enhance the breadth of our product line and expand into new markets.''

This acquisition will enable BAMI, a major provider of health care products to

the long-term care industry, to expand into the acute care bed and pediatric crib market as well as enhance BAMI's line of long-term care beds. BAMI will continue to market the Simmons' product line under the Simmons' name.

Basic American Medical Inc. owns and operates acute care hospitals. It also provides services and products to the health care market, such as outpatient surgery, comprehensive medical rehabilitation, pharmacy services, medical equipment and furniture manufacturing and distribution. The company's common shares are traded under the NASDAQ symbol BAMI.

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MARLBORO, MA (DEC. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Stratus Computer Inc. (NYSE:SRA) announced Wednesday the adoption of a Shareholder Rights Plan providing a dividend distribution of one right for each outstanding share of common stock of the company.

The distribution will be made to stockholders of record on Dec. 20, 1990.

Shareholder rights plans, which have been adopted by more than 1300 U.S. corporations, including many computer companies, are designed to deter coercive or unfair takeover tactics and to prevent an acquiror from gaining control of a company without offering a fair price to all of the company's stockholders. The Stratus Shareholder Rights Plan is not being implemented in response to any known plan to acquire the company.

Under the Rights Plan, the rights would, among other things, be exercisable only if: a person or group acquired 20 percent or more of the company's common stock; or announces a tender offer which would result in its ownership of 20 percent or more of the common stock of the company; or a person or group owning 15 percent or more of the common stock of the company is determined by the company's board of directors to be an adverse person, as defined in the Rights Plan.

In that event, all stockholders, other than the 20 percent acquiror or adverse person, could exercise their rights and purchase shares of common stock at a substantial discount.

Details of the Shareholder Rights Plan are outlined in a letter that will be mailed to Stratus stockholders shortly after the December 20 record date.

Stratus Computer Inc. is a leading supplier of fault-tolerant systems for critical online applications, such as online transaction processing and online data communications and telecommunications applications. The company, whose

headquarters are in Marlboro, Mass., U.S.A., has 13 international subsidiaries. Stratus Computer Inc. common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange and the Boston Stock Exchange under the trading symbol SRA.

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LONDON (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Bass plc preliminary announcement of the results for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990:

Highlights

Earnings per ordinary share up 18.2 percent to	109.6p
Turnover up 10.5 percent to	4461 million pounds
Trading profit up 28.0 percent to	673 million pounds
Pre-tax profit up 14.9 percent to	535 million pounds
Total dividend per ordinary share up	14.9 percent
Balance sheet gearing	47 percent

Comments By The Chairman Of Bass plc On The Results

Bass, the UK's largest brewer and the owner of Holiday Inn, the world's largest hotel brand, today announced pre-tax profits for the 52-week year to 30 September 1990, 14.9 percent ahead at 535 million pounds compared to 465 million pounds for the 53-week period reported in 1989.

Trading profit was 28.0 percent up at 673 million pounds (526 million pounds:1989) on turnover which advanced 10.5 percent to 4461 million pounds (4036 million pounds:1989). Earnings per share rose by 18.2 percent to 109.6p and balance sheet gearing of debt to equity has been reduced from its peak to 47 percent at the year-end.

The directors recommend a final dividend of 23.4p net per ordinary share, making a total dividend of 32.4p net per ordinary share for the year compared to 28.2p net per ordinary share in 1989 - an increase of 14.9 percent.

During the year there were three key strategic developments which will shape the business for the 1990s.

First, the purchase of the Holiday Inn Business in North America in February 1990 completed the company's ownership of the Holiday Inn brand worldwide. The board believes that Holiday Inn, with almost 320,000 rooms worldwide, will provide significant growth opportunities in the 1990s.

The initial results from the business are in line with expectations at the time of acquisition and reflect the strength of the Holiday Inn brand.

As a franchisor of hotels, Holiday Inn enjoys a relatively stable income stream secured in total room sales. In the ten months under Bass ownership, the business has been extensively restructured with the twin objectives of reducing costs and providing a clear focus for future profitable development.

The launch of a new limited feature product, Holiday Inn Express, at the Worldwide System Conference in October was very positively received by franchisees and will extend the brand into a key growth segment in North America.

The hotels and restaurants division, incorporating Holiday Inn Worldwide and Crest hotels for part of the year as well as Toby Restaurants, reported turnover up by 55.4 percent and operating profits increasing by 69.1 percent to 127 million pounds (75 million pounds:1989).

Bass Brewers achieved a 20.9 percent improvement in operating profit to 177 million pounds (146 million pounds:1989) on turnover up by 5.3 percent. Overall, market share improved with significant gains in the highly competitive take-home trade. Free on-trade sales were up over the year, but sales to the Bass pub estate fell below last year.

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STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Champion International Corp. said Wednesday that although markets for most of its paper products remain healthy, it expects results for the fourth quarter to be down sharply from third quarter results of 59 cents per share and well below earlier expectations.

The company said this quarter's results will be significantly affected by higher taxes related to cash accumulated for an expansion project at its Brazilian subsidiary. The project has now been postponed indefinitely. Consequently, the company has begun to reduce these cash holdings through dividend payments to the parent company, which incur a related tax.

The company also cited the sharp deterioration in its U.S. and Canadian wood products manufacturing business and the worldwide slump in pulp prices as additional reasons for the lower earnings.

The company's U.S. and Canadian wood products business has been operating at a loss during the quarter, and the company has curtailed production at numerous facilities.

Champion is one of America's leading manufacturers of paper for business communications, commercial printing, publications and newspapers.

Headquartered in Stamford, the company owns or controls 6.4 million acres of timberlands in the United States and is also a major manufacturer of plywood and lumber.

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DUBLIN, OH (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - ACCEL International Corp. announced Wednesday that its board of directors declared a 5 cents cash dividend.

The dividend was declared on Dec. 4, and is payable on Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 2, 1991.

R. Max Williamson, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer commented that this dividend was warranted in light of the record year to date revenues and earnings, and was consistent with the policy adopted by the board in June of this year to pay a 20 cents annual dividend.

ACCEL International Corp. is a Dublin-based insurance holding company that provides specialty insurance products and services through its life and casualty subsidiaries, operating throughout the United States.

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WESTFIELD, MA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Stanhome Inc. (NYSE:STH) has declared a quarterly dividend of 23 cents per share, a 15 percent increase, payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 19, 1990.

Stanhome has paid dividends for 55 consecutive years.

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RIVER GROVE, IL (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Wilson Sporting Goods Co. Wednesday announced plans for the first nationwide program to help tennis players recycle their plastic tennis ball cans.

Wilson tennis ball cans are 100 percent recyclable and are partially made from recycled plastic.

As part of the multi-faceted program, Wilson will provide tennis clubs and specialty stores across the country with collection bins for tennis ball cans; arrange for recycling of cans used at the U.S. Open and other major Wilson-sponsored tournaments; and implement a public education campaign to tell consumers about plastic recycling.

Wilson will launch its recycling program in February. The program was developed in conjunction with the National Association for Plastic Container Recovery (NAPCOR), the country's leading authority on PET (Polyethylene Terephthalate) plastic recycling. NAPCOR helps communities nationwide implement recycling programs. Currently, more than 450 cities collect PET plastic containers through curbside recycling programs.

As part of the recycling program, Wilson sales reps will provide free recycling bins and ''how-to'' posters featuring tennis great Chris Evert to tennis clubs in ten test cities across the country. The reps also will put club pros in touch with the proper recycling authorities and procedures in their cities. The in-shop effort will be rolled out to clubs in the rest of the country over the next year, according to Baugh.

In 1991, Wilson will arrange for collection and recycling of appoximately 30,000 tennis ball cans from major tournaments where Wilson is the official ball, including the U.S. Open and the Lipton International Player's Championships. Getting The Word Out To 4 Million Consumers

In addition, 4 million Wilson Championship Tennis Ball cans will contain a ''stuffer'' with information to help educate players about the facts of PET plastic recycling -- and encourage them to get involved. Supporting NAPCOR's Efforts

NAPCOR implements intensive public education campaigns on PET recycling in major markets across the country when curbside recycling programs are launched. Wilson will support these efforts by working with NAPCOR to reach tennis players within these cities with the message that tennis ball cans are recyclable.

According to Baugh, support materials and further details on the program will be unveiled at the Super Show in Atlanta in February.

Wilson Sporting Goods Co., the largest sporting goods company in the U.S., is based in River Grove. The company designs, manufactures and distributes sporting goods throughout the world. Wilson is a market leader in apparel, footwear, golf, racket and team sports.

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WATERLOO, ONTARIO (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Vestronix Corp., after a review of its revenues by Peat Marwick Thorne, has submitted revised financial statements for the nine months ended July 31 to its shareholders.

Frank Casillas, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Vestronix Corp. stated, ''This is another step on the road to the complete cleansing of all past irregularities in the company, ensuring future ethical business practices and creating a respectable environment wherein Vestronix can operate as the premier supplier of 'C' code applications generator products and services.''

Casillas also stated that the new board of directors wished to retract certain information previously released by Vestronix Corp.

Two prior announcements are rescinded. Vestronix has no agreement with the Internal Revenue Service nor the Treasury Department of the United States Federal Government. Likewise, no agreements exist with Martin Marietta, Iscomp Computers nor Computer Resources Corp. The revised Financial Statements reflect the reversal of $522,000.00 of revenue related to these agreements.

Since Oct. 1, the management team at Vestronix has developed and is closely monitoring a conservative business plan. ''The excellent progress we have made is most encouraging and we are confident that the future will see Vestronix viewed as favourably by its shareholders as its products are by its customers'' said Casillas.

''Vestronix Corporation has undergone a period of tremendous difficulty, severely impacting its human and financial resources, a period that would have put most companies out of business.''

Casillas stated, ''The fact that we have survived and are stronger than before clearly demonstrates the resilience and confidence of our key people in themselves, the products and the future.''

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VALLEY FORGE, PA. (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Jerry L. Malis, chairman of the board and president of VALLEY FORGE SCIENTIFIC CORP. (NASDAQ: VLFG, VLFGW)(BSE:VLF, VLFW) Wednesday announced that the company has entered into agreements to sell its Cardioptic Surgical Loupes through a distributor

network encompassing thirteen regional groups with over ninety salespeople calling on cardiovascular and thoracic surgeons.

The market potential for this segment of the surgical loupe industry is in excess of $9 million.

VALLEY FORGE SCIENTIFIC CORP. develops and manufactures medical device products which allow the surgical community to perform surgical procedures with greater control, safety and precision.

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WALLINGFORD, CONN. (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - LPL Technologies Inc. Wednesday announced that its subsidiaries Amphenol Corp. and Pyle National will increase prices on their connector product lines.

These increases, the first broad based price increases in several years, will be effective Jan. 1, 1991 and are designed to absorb some of the raw material, labor and service cost inflation which has been experienced by the connector industry.

Included in the price increases will be the Amphenol-Bendix military/aerospace series, the Pyle National firewall and industrial connectors, the RF/Coaxial lines, Spectra Strip cable and the Amphenol Information Technology products. Price increases will generally be in the three to six percent range, though certain special and low volume part numbers may be higher.

Commenting on the price increases, LPL voce president, Martin H. Loeffler, stated, ''Amphenol and Pyle have been very sucessful in becoming low cost producers for our major product lines. We have historically passed on the cost savings to our customers by avoiding price increases. However, any further absorption of cost increases in today's market can only come at the expense of research and development, service and quality. Cutting costs in these areas is not consistent with our goals and objectives and we believe such actions would not be in the best long term interests of our valued customers.''

LPL Technologies Inc. operates through its subsidiaries Times Fiber Communications Inc., Amphenol Corp., Amphenol Interconnect Products Corp. and Pyle National. These companies manufacture coaxial cable, principally for cable television applications, connectors, fiber optic systems and

interconnect systems for the electronic, communications and aerospace industries.

Their products are engineered and produced in the United States, Canada, Europe and the Far East and sold by its worldwide sales and marketing organization.

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BEDFORD, MA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Computervision, a world leader in workstation and PC CAD/CAM software, is pleased to announce the addition of hidden line removal (HLR) and quick faceted shading capabilities to its Personal Designer micro-based CAD package.

The new capabilities, which become available with Personal Designer Revision 4.1, make it easier for engineers to conceptualize complex mechanical designs from the desktop.

''Our goal is to make Personal Designer the most complete mechanical CAD package in the micro marketplace,'' says Bob Cronin, product manager of the Personal Designer system. ''The HLR and faceted shading capabilities that we have added with Revision 4.1 will enable designers to more readily visualize complex mechanical parts in 3-D space.''

The ability to remove hidden lines from wire-frame representations, and to generate faceted shaded pictures early in the design stage, without consuming a lot of time, will lead to better product design. Engineers can now get a better visual estimation of their progress in seconds. They can instantly get a precise reading on part orientation, particularly by relying on the faceted shading capability.

With Personal Designer Revision 4.1 software, designers can generate hidden-line-removed images and faceted shaded pictures without leaving the design environment, so there is no interruption to the basic work flow. The images can be displayed at any time, plotted in full color, and saved independently of the main drawing.

With Revision 4.1, HLR and faceted shading can be applied to entire models, or to specified sections of models. The user can vary display parameters such as light intensity, background and surface color, the number of facets, contrast (edge highlighting), and the number and placement of light sources. The designer can look through the faceted shading to the underlying geometry using a unique XRAY window feature.

These new features take full advantage of Personal Designer's multi-view environment, which lets a user display up to 32 views of a part simultaneously. Using the new features, the user can display several hidden-line-removed images or faceted shaded pictures of a part simultaneously on the screen, each of which can show the part from a different orientation.

Additional enhancements in Personal Designer Revision 4.1 include a TIGA driver, which supports any graphics board that uses the Texas Instruments Graphics Architecture (TIGA) standard.

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BEDFORD, MA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Computervision, a leader in workstation and PC CAD/CAM software, reports a number of major developments with its VersaCAD product line.

The company is pleased to announce a major new revision of VersaCAD/386 software, which runs on 80386 and 80486 MS-DOS personal computers, and VersaCAD Design software, which runs on 80286 MS-DOS personal computers. New features of Version 6.0 include:

- Attributes for attaching non-graphical information (such as price or material type) to any graphic object. Users can extract attribute information and pass it to a data base program for easy generation of bills of materials, estimates, and other reports.

- Associative linear dimensions, which dynamically link the object and its dimensions. If the user changes geometry, the system automatically updates the dimensions, and vice versa.

- 2-D construction planes for creating complex 3-D models.

- Drawing import feature that lets users import drawings from the VersaCAD 2-D module directly into the VersaCAD 3-D module.

- Direct file exchange between VersaCAD/386 or Versa/CAD Design software and VersaCAD/Macintosh Edition software. This is an extremely useful feature for companies that use VersaCAD software on both MS-DOS and Macintosh computers.

VersaCAD/386, Version 6.0 software, has a U.S. list price of $3,495. VersaCAD Design, Version 6.0 software has a U.S. list price of $2,995. Customer shipments are expected to begin before year's end.

The third major release of VersaCAD software for the Macintosh computer has begun shipping from Computervision headquarters in Bedford, Mass. Version 3.0 features include:

- Attributes for attaching non-graphic information (such as price of material type) to graphics, including library symbols. Users can search for attributes, generate reports from them, or output attribute data for use with other applications.

- Parallel line/arc/circle feature that lets users automatically create parallels simply by selecting existing line/arc/circles and specifying an offset.

- Drawing preview feature that displays a thumbnail sketch of the drawing in the File/Open dialog box before the user opens the file.

- Direct file exchange between Macintosh and MS-DOS-based VersaCAD packages.
- Support of the Apple 8(asterisk)24 Display Card.

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VANCOUVER, BC (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Galactic Resources Ltd. and Cornucopia Resources Ltd. announce completion of a $5 million increase in the term loan to the Ivanhoe Joint Venture.

The funds, to be used for the Ivanhoe Phase I gold mine, were obtained from the French American Banking Corporation by Galactic Resources Ltd. on behalf on the joint venture.

The additional $5 million is repayable in equal monthly installments commencing on Jan. 31, 1991 and continuing through Feb. 28, 1992. The mining claims in the Butte and Velvet zones located in the Hollister Deposit at the Ivanhoe Property have been added as additional security for the aggregate advances under the loan which, as of today's date, were $12.5 million.

The other provisions of the loan remain substantially the same.

Galactic Resources Ltd. produces gold at the Ridgeway Gold Mine in South Carolina with partner Kennecott Ridgeway Mining Company (an indirect subsidiary of The RTZ Corporation PLC) and its Ivanhoe Gold Mine in Nevada as well as its wholly-owned Summitville Mine in Colorado.

Galactic Resources Ltd. also has precious metal development projects in California, Canada, and the Philippines. Galactic Resources Ltd. trades on

the American, Toronto, and Montreal Stock Exchanges.

Cornucopia Resources Ltd. trades on the U.S. NASDAQ National Market System (CNPGF) and is listed on the Toronto and Vancouver Stock Exchanges (CNP.T, CNP.V).

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RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. (NASDAQ: HRHC) Wednesday announced that Ordway-Saunders Co. of Amarillo, Texas has affiliated with its network of independent insurance agencies.

Terms were not disclosed.

According to Robert H. Hilb, president of Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co.: ''The affiliation of a prestigious independent agency like Ordway-Saunders, with our other fine agencies, symbolizes the planned growth and increasing strength of our system - not only in Texas, but in the entire United States.''

According to Lee Napier, managing partner of Ordway-Saunders Co.: ''This affiliation strengthens our firm by retaining our highly motivated staff and allowing us to offer our clients better markets and administrative support and services.''

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. provides insurance agency services to a wide variety of clients through its network of wholly owned subsidiaries which operate 41 insurance agencies in 16 states and the District of Columbia. The company is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol HRHC.

CONTACT: Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co., Richmond
Robert H. Hilb, 804/747-6500

-30- 1348
#90339b0781 12/05/1990 ~Business Wire

ATLANTA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - First Financial Management Corp. (NYSE:FFM) Wednesday announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, NaBANCO, has purchased the merchant credit card contracts of Southeast Bank of Florida.

Southeast has one of the 10 largest bank merchant credit card portfolios in the United States, providing MasterCard and VISA merchant services throughout

the state of Florida. The portfolio has annual credit card volume of approximately $2.7 billion, with a total customer base of 7,000 comprised of large national and regional customers and a broad base of traditional merchants.

NaBANCO also recently purchased the merchant credit card contracts of the Bank of New York. The Bank of New York is a major provider of VISA and MasterCard merchant services in New York state and especially in metropolitan New York City, with a portfolio of approximately $525 million in annual credit card volume. The Bank of New York has developed a strong group of around 5,000 traditional merchant credit card customers.

In making this announcement, Patrick H. Thomas, chairman, president and chief executive officer of FFMC, said, ''We are pleased with this expansion of our services in the two significant markets of Florida and New York. These 12,000 merchant customers will be a valuable addition to NaBANCO's national presence and will significantly enhance its leading position in the merchant credit card business. We welcome the relationship with these fine financial organizations and the opportunity to provide a wide array of bankcard products and services and to offer state-of-the-art merchant services.

FFMC is an information services company which offers a broad range of data processing and related services to a large and diverse customer base. The company provides products and services to financial institutions, retail merchants, governments and other industries.

It is a leader in financial institution processing, data imaging, micrographics, electronic data base services, debt collection, and health and pharmaceutical claims processing and is one of the largest merchant credit card processors in the country. FFMC also owns Georgia Federal Bank FSB, the largest savings institution and one of the largest retail banks based in Georgia, and its subsidiary, First Family Financial Services, a major regional consumer finance company.

Its common stock is currently traded on the NYSE under the symbol FFM. Its debentures are quoted through NASDAQ under the symbol FFMCG.

CONTACT: First Financial Management Corp., Atlanta
Patrick H. Thomas or E.D.M. Schachner or
Donald Y. Sharp, 404/321-0120

-30- 2868

#90339b0807 12/05/1990 ~Business Wire

BURLINGTON, MA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Home mortgage rates dipped below nine percent Wednesday for the first time in almost a year, according to John J. Sousa Jr., president of Commonwealth Mortgage Co., New England's largest mortgage lender.

"The primary reasons for the decline are the worsening economy and the strong possibility of peace in the Middle East,"' said Sousa, who added that "I would expect to see the 30-year mortgage head down to the mid 8 percent range in the next six months."

The firm's 15-year mortgage is currently 8.99 percent, down from 9.25 percent, and the two-step mortgage is now 8.75 percent, down from 8.99 percent. The 30-year home mortgage has remained unchanged at 9.5 percent.

The three programs offer 60-day rate-locks and require three points. "In the past, nine percent has proven to be a psychological barrier, and I would expect that this still holds true for many home buyers," Sousa commented.

"While the economy is in tough shape and home prices have suffered over the past 12 months, the rate drop is good news for anyone in the market for a home especially first-time home buyers," said Sousa, noting that "the seven-year, two-step mortgage has gained greater market acceptance over the past year and is proving to be a good program for certain buyers and especially those who are refinancing adjustable-rate mortgages."

Commonwealth has 17 offices throughout New England, a mortgage portfolio of $4.6 billion, and is the largest home lender in New England according to industry sources.

CONTACT: Commonwealth Mortgage Co., Burlington, John J. Sousa Jr., (617) 221-3330 or Sheffield Public Relations, Martin Padley, (617) 235-7320.

-30- 1899

#90339b0815 12/05/1990 ~Business Wire

TINTON FALLS, NJ (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation announced it had re-elected Daniel S. Gregory and Dean W. Freed to its board of directors at its Annual Meeting of Stockholders today. Under the company's by-laws, directors are elected to one of three classes, with one class elected each year to a three year term.

Mr. Freed assumed the position of chairman of the board in September 1990 and continues to serve as a director, a position he has held since January 1987. He is a director of EG&G, Inc., a diversified provider of scientific products and services and a trustee of Eastern Enterprises.

Mr. Gregory has been a director on Concurrent's board since its organization in 1981 and was chairman of its board of directors from 1983 to September 27, 1988. He is a general partner of Greylock Management Corporation and a director of Teradyne, Inc., New England Business Service, Inc., Genetics Institute, Inc. and several private companies.

In other actions, the stockholders ratified the appointment of Coopers & Lybrand as the company's independent auditors for its current fiscal year.

Concurrent Computer Corporation, headquartered in Tinton Falls, New Jersey, is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide.

The company's products, marketed through the Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems Groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace, and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

CONTACT: Concurrent Corporation, Vic Taylor, (508) 692-6200.

-30- 1879
#90339b0823 12/05/1990 ~Business Wire

CHELSEA, MA (NOV. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Original Italian Pasta Products Co. Inc. (NASDAQ:ORIG), the Chelsea, Mass. based manufacturer and wholesale distributor of pasta and other Italian food products under the Trios label, announced Wednesday that Schreiber Foods Inc. of Green Bay, Wisc., has suspended acquisition discussions with the company.

According to Schreiber, discussions have been suspended because pending litigation, which both parties had hoped could be resolved, is still unsettled. Additionally, Schreiber Foods had concerns about a license agreement to the company from Genevieve and Anthony Trios and was unable to reach accord over the future of the agreement.

Paul K. Stevens, president of the company, expressed his disappointment that the company may be unable to effect a transaction that he considered to be in the best interest of all stockholders. He said: ''We are continuing our efforts, and if we are able to resolve these matters quickly, we may be able to resume our discussions with Schreiber Foods. However, Schreiber has its own plans and agenda, and if there is a protracted delay, the opportunity might be lost.''

If the transaction with Schreiber Foods does not proceed, the company, as it has previously reported, must raise additional capital in order to continue to operate independently.

For additional information, please communicate with Mr. Stevens at (617) 884-5211.

CONTACT: Original Italian Pasta Products Co. Inc., Chelsea
Paul K. Stevens, 617/884-5211

-30- 1713
#90339b0830 12/05/1990 ~Business Wire
HARTFORD, CT (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - The Advest Group Inc. announced that, to date, it has accumulated 458,000 shares of stock under its previously announced buy back program.

On Aug. 16, 1990, the company's board of directors authorized and announced the plan to repurchase up to two million shares of stock. The Advest Group is a diversified financial service company traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the sybol ADV.

CONTACT: Advest Group Inc., Hartford, Martha G. Payne, (203) 241-2192.

-30- 682
#90339b0841 12/05/1990 ~Business Wire
ALBANY, NY (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Home and City Savings Bank announced that earlier Wednesday Rose Associates I, L.P. notified the Bank of its intent to nominate nine persons for election as directors of the Bank at its 1991 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

Rose Associates had previously submitted to the Bank a proposal to expand the size of the Bank's Board of Directors.

Richard A. Ahl, executive vice president and treasurer of Home and City, stated ''As previously announced, our advisors have engaged in extensive discussions with Rose regarding the terms of a definitive acquisition agreement with respect to Rose Associates' outstanding acquisition offer. In light of the progress that has been made, we believe that Rose Associates' latest actions are unnecessary. These latest actions lead us once again to question whether Rose Associates is sincere in its stated desire to enter into an acquisition agreement that is in the best interest of all of the Bank's shareholders.

Nevertheless, the Bank continues to be hopeful that its ongoing discussions with representatives of Rose Associates will be productive and may lead to consideration by the Board of a definitive acquisition agreement.''

CONTACT: Home and City Savings Bank, Albany
Richard A Ahl, 518/447-5905

-30- 1484
#90339b0847 12/05/1990 ~Business Wire
REDWOOD SHORES, CA (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Oracle Corporation Wednesday announced the appointment of George Paul Dreyer to president of Oracle Complex Systems Corporation (OCSC), the Arlington, Va.-based systems integration subsidiary of Oracle Corporation. Dreyer replaces Robert B. Laurence.

Dreyer will report to Lawrence J. Ellison, president and chief executive officer of Oracle Corporation.

Previously, Dreyer was vice president and general manager of commercial programs for OCSC and prior to that he served as vice president of OCSC's federal programs. Dreyer was a vice president with Falcon Systems, a Washingon-based systems integrator that Oracle acquired in 1988.

Oracle Corporation, headquartered in Redwood Shores, Calif., is the largest supplier of DBMS software and the third largest software and services company in the world.

Oracle develops and markets an integrated line of software products for database management, applications development, decision support and office automation, as well as families of financial and manufacturing applications packages. All Oracle products are available on PCs, minicomputers and mainframes, and ORACLE is the first and only database to run on supercomputers.

The company offers its products, along with related consulting, education and support services, in 92 countries around the world. Oracle is a publicly held corporation whose shares are traded on NASDAQ/NMS with the ticker symbol ORCL.

CONTACT: Oracle Corporation, Redwood Shores
Gail Snider, 415/637-7816

-30- 1740
#90339c0003 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Wasatch Education Systems Corp.(TICKER: WESC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,267,734	$2,375,429
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,777,458)	$34,809
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.25)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,233,731	10,775,349

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$6,616,739	$4,270,947
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(2,302,491)	$377,854

-30- 1105

#90339c0004 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Business Bancorp.(TICKER: BBCP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$106,000	$221,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$0.22

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$59,749,000	$55,910,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,749,000	$5,354,000

-30- 804

#90339c0005 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by UST Corp.(TICKER: UST).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,057,000	$6,686,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.16	$0.52
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,956,304	12,857,046

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,569,300,000	$2,579,112,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$158,158,000	$160,357,000

-30- 855
#90339c0007 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

TRANSMATION EARNS $28,609 IN SECOND QUARTER

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Transmation Inc.(TICKER: TRNS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,126,333	$5,816,845
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$28,609	$215,430
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.09

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,119,261	$11,173,494
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,516,189	$6,352,084

-30- 990
#90339c0008 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Apogee Robotics Inc.(TICKER: APGE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$418,845	$1,323,826
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(468,461)	$37,862
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,871,584	3,544,951

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,326,306	$3,076,950
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,887,684	$2,325,205

-30- 1083

#90339c0009 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Golden Poultry Co. Inc.(TICKER: CHIK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$55,659,000	$48,819,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,235,000	$1,585,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	$0.15
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,679,000	10,347,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$95,513,000	$93,758,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$67,725,000	$66,598,000

-30- 1069

#90339c0010 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by General Energy Resources and Technology Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$195,942	$122,446
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$44,585	$(184,697)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,282,997	6,391,815

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$883,875	$867,081
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$248,578	$68,698

-30- 1091

#90339c0011 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The First National Pennsylvania Corp. (TICKER: FNCPC.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$728,000	$1,136,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.30	$0.47

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$732,832,000	$825,560,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$48,647,000	$55,669,000

-30- 834

#90339c0012 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Century South Banks Inc.(TICKER: CSBI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$771,475	$732,829
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.17	$0.21

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,573,785	3,548,784

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$347,446,269	$300,356,973
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$27,935,180	$24,088,442

-30- 874

#90339c0013 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 8, 1990, the audit committee of Readicare Inc.'s (TICKER: REDI) board of directors dismissed Ernst & Young as the firm's certifying accountant.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

The company, on that same date, engaged Price Waterhouse in that office.

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#90339c0015 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Memtek Corp.(TICKER: METK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,059,168	$1,766,729
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$184,794	$(869,495)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.05)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	16,017,440	15,976,951

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,664,229	$2,696,409
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(896,707)	$(1,061,302)

-30- 1070
#90339c0016 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by International Management & Research Corp. (TICKER: IMRC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$32,442	$131,526
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(80,387)	$(259,140)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$515,810	$670,145
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(744,213)	$(281,965)

The company attributes lower revenues for the quarter just ended from that a year ago to reduced personnel and clinical testing costs. Decrease in sales resulted from a change in marketing of one of a subsidiary's medical devices, reports International, the SALITRON SYSTEM. The company's address is 810 Lombard Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19147, and its telephone number is (215) 923-6850.

-30- 1475
#90339c0017 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Normandy Gathering and Processing Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,083,414	$458,365

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$115,868	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$239,211	$43,290

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,722,024	$2,356,805
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$282,501	$43,290

-30- 923

#90339c0018 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:38 that trade in Taiwan Fund Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol TWN.

-30- 310

#90339c0019 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in Reuters Holdings PC (NASDAQ: RTRS) has been resumed. The first sale was 34 5/8; down 7/8 point from the halt, and down 3/8 point from the previous close.

-30- 366

#90339c0020 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in News Corp. LTD. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol NWS. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

-30- 340

#90339c0021 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 3:

Fi-Tek III Inc. (VSIT)

-30- 243

#90339c0023 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 4:

Aspen Ribbons Inc. (ARIB) to Aspen Imaging International Inc. (ARIB)
Piezo Electric Products Inc. (PEPI) to (PEPID) (1 for 25 reverse split)
Silk Greenhouse Inc. (SGHI) to (SGHIQ)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 3:

BankEast Corp. (BENQE) to (BENHQ)
Ruskin Developments Ltd. (RKLMF) to Consolidated Ruskin Developments Ltd. (KRKAF) (1 for 4 reverse split)

-30- 637
#90339c0024 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 9, 1990, Hong Kong-based Nam Tai Electronics Inc.(TICKER: NTAF), a manufacturer of calculators, digital scales, electronic typewriters and health care products, announced that on Oct. 19, 1990, its board of directors approved a 200-to-one reverse split of its common stock shares, to take effect as of Nov. 19, 1990.

All common shares issued and outstanding on Nov. 19, 1990, will be exchanged.

For any fractional shares resulting from the reverse split, cash payments will be made by Nam Tai.

The company also announced it sold its remaining 50% interest in Nam Tai Shicoh Plastics Ltd for approximately $450,000.

-30- 849
#90339c0025 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows as of Nov. 21, 1990, when Laventhol & Horwath filed for bankruptcy protection, Judicate's client-auditor relationship with Laventhol & Horwath ended.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 591
#90339c0026 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Jan. 28, 1990, J.T. Moran Financial Corp.'s (TICKER: JTMC) board of directors consisted of the following:

John T. Moran, William E. Wehner, William A. Sikora, Eric R. Bashford, Christer Sigmundt, Richard McDermott and George Donnelly.

On Jan. 29, 1990, the company sought bankruptcy protection under Chapter II of the Bankruptcy Code.

Subsequently, Bashford, McDermott and Donnelly resigned.

On Aug. 30, 1990, Wehner and Sikora resigned. On Sept. 1, 1990, Roy M. Sartorius was elected to the company's board of directors, and the board now consists of Sartorius, Moran and Sigmundt.

-30- 833

#90339c0027 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 3, 1990, Bassett Furniture Industries Inc.(TICKER: BSET) announced that due to unrealized losses on its securities portfolio, it will make, as required by FASB Statement No. 12, a special one-time charge of $0.46 per share to its fiscal year 1990 earnings.

The company states the market value of this portfolio of marketable securities has declined in value as compared to cost by 18%, resulting in a charge of $5.750 million to pre-tax earnings of $3.60 million after tax.

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#90339c0028 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by IBS Computer Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$19,574	$126,006
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(83,117)	$6,948
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	46,260,009	45,900,009

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$423,455	$400,427
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$34,690	$159,857

-30- 1050
#90339c0029 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5x) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Badger Paper Mills Inc.(TICKER: BPMI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$19,647,244	$18,971,260
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$704,702	$1,248,814
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.36	$0.63
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,979,550	1,979,533

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$51,164,771	$50,613,247
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$29,227,252	$27,643,441

-30- 1075
#90339c0031 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:52 that trade in Starstream Communications Group Inc.(NASDAQ: SCGI) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 7/8, 1. The company is located in Houston, Texas.

-30- 381
#90339c0032 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:05 that trade in SSMC Inc.(NASDAQ: SSM) has been resumed. The first bid was 15; down 4 1/2 points from the halt, and down 8 points from the previous close.

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#90339c0033 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Taiwan Fund Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol TWN. Trading was resumed at 10:09.

-30- 344
#90339c0034 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:11 that trade in Starstream Communications Group Inc.(NASDAQ: SCGI) has been resumed. The first bid was 1; up 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 377
#90339c0035 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Winston Financial Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$38,159	$448
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(596,613)	$(163,133)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,831,218	$706,933
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,000,809	$452,000

The company is a development stage enterprise. Its corporate address is Dept. #749, P.O. Box 025216, Miami, Florida 33102-5216. Its telephone number is (011) 506-32-77-40.

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#90339c0036 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by CPB Inc.(TICKER: CPBI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,926,000	$2,494,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.58	$0.50
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,010,000	4,977,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$994,932,000	$925,315,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$76,420,000	$70,138,000

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#90339c0037 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Independence Federal Savings Bank.(TICKER: IFSB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$245,000	$7,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.20	$0.01

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$245,352,000	$252,272,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,884,000	$8,291,000

-30- 805

#90339c0039 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 6, 1990, Idan Software Industries - I.S.I. Ltd.(TICKER: IDAN) announced the results of the six-month period ended June 30, 1990.

For the six months, sales were $55,335, net losses totaled $305,091, and net losses per share were $(0.05).

The company states it did not issue results for the six months ended June 30, 1989.

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#90339c0040 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mellon Participating Mortgage Trust (TICKER: MPMT) Commercial Properties Series 85/10.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,970,616	$1,848,500
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$631,693	$1,464,759
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$0.17
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,645,000	8,645,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$79,371,115	$79,165,825
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$78,382,808	$78,116,052

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#90339c0041 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by B.S.I. Holdings Inc.(TICKER: BKRS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$24,430	43,844
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(18,303)	$(17,450)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$942,679	$1,098,524
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$828,686	$911,855

-30- 934

#90339c0042 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Prima Energy Corp.(TICKER: PENG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,289,000	$2,195,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(161,000)	$167,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,859,688	7,872,984

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,350,000	$13,218,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,081,000	$5,330,000

-30- 1074

#90339c0043 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 15 1990, The Mitchell Group, a group of wholly-owned, consolidated subsidiaries of Altus Bank, a Federal Savings Bank (TICKER: ALTS), disengaged the accounting firm of Kenneth Leventhal & Co. and retained the accounting firm of Pannell Kerr Forster to do its annual audit of financial statements.

Altus reports its accountants, Deloitte & Touche, have expressed reliance on Leventhal's report in Deloitte's report on the consolidated financial statements of Altus.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 910
#90339c0044 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Advanced Energy Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$274	$173,199
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(229,081)	$(149,805)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,783,953	7,783,953

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$95,998	$330,229
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(146,507)	$82,574

-30- 1050
#90339c0045 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows R-2000 Corp.(TICKER: RTWO) has executed a termination agreement with International Micro Optics Ltd. (IMO) in regard to a previously reported termination of a proposed merger between the companies.

R-2000 states that in connection with the proposed merger, IMO had previously contributed $53,000 as paid-in-capital to R-2000.

R-2000 reports it is returning that sum to IMO, with an additional $12,000, and is issuing 650,000 newly issued shares of common stock to certain designees of IMO.

All of the existing directors and officers of R-2000, with the exception of Mr. Hartung, are to resign their offices with R-2000, pursuant to the termination agreement.

-30- 915

#90339c0047 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Fi-Tek III Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,167,607	$2,063,019
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(303,525)	$3,718
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	248,692,268	250,820,663

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,599,141	$4,432,393
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,257,365	$1,309,865

-30- 1056

#90339c0048 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

EQUITEX NAMES NEW ACCOUNTANTS AND REPORTS SEC FILING OF COMPLAINT

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 9, 1990, Weiss & Co., independent accountants for Equitex Inc.(TICKER: EQTX), resigned from that office.

On Nov. 21, 1990, Equitex states it engaged the firm of Carol A. Davis, certified public accountants, in that office.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

Additionally, Equitex reports the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) filed a civil complaint in the U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado against numerous persons, mainly in connection with the trading activities of Power Securities Corp.

The complaint names 22 defendants and eight causes of action, Equitex says, two of which are directed against Henry Fong, president and a director of

Equitex.

It also names Equitex as a nominal defendant.

Equitex further states that the SEC alleges that Fong participated with others in a market manipulation of Star Publications Inc. ("Star"), and that he violated certain sections of the Investment Co. Act of 1940 by effecting transactions in Star, which was a portfolio company of Equitex.

The complaint seeks a permanent injunction against Fong and an accounting and disgorgement of profits from trading in Star.

Equitex states that the company and Fong have filed an answer denying the alleged violations and intend to vigorously defend this matter.

-30- 1746

#90339c0049 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Medmaster Systems Inc.(TICKER: MMST).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$938,925	$1,194,825
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(85,093)	$(145,843)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,433,934	9,433,934

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,048,913	$2,431,009
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(41,813)	$186,485

-30- 1088

#90339c0050 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by General Nutrition Inc.(TICKER: GENU).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Twelve Weeks Ended	Eight Weeks Ended
	Oct. 13, 1990	Oct. 14, 1989
REVENUES	$78,972,000	$51,388,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$515,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,349,000)	$(3,972,000)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	100,000	100,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 13, 1990	Feb. 3, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$403,103,000	$413,108,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,541,000	$16,564,000

-30- 1037

#90339c0051 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by U.S. Transportation Systems Inc.(TICKER: USTS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,588,167	$2,638,120
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$139,302	$1,785,897
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(404,888)	$2,921,919
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.30

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,518,523	$7,880,993
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,112,859	$2,779,080

-30- 1030

#90339c0052 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 18, 1990, Cattleguard Inc.(TICKER: CGXX), a Texas corporation, filed a Chapter 11

voluntary petition for bankruptcy protection under the Bankruptcy Act in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division.

-30- 446

#90339c0053 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:54 that trade in Asdar Group (NASDAQ: ASDR) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 1/16.

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#90339c0055 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Fieldcrest Cannon Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol FLD. Trading was resumed at 14:10.

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#90339c0056 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

H.F. CRISTE OWNS 175,271 SHARES (8.66%) OF BANK MARYLAND CORP.(TICKER: BKMD) OF TOWSON, MARYLAND.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 27 and Nov. 21, 1990 H.F. Criste purchased 64,889 shares at $3.25 to $5.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90339c0057 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY TWEEDY BROWN CO. LP OWNS 153,740 SHARES (5.27%) OF BSB BANCORP INC.(TICKER: BSBN) OF BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 12, 1990 Tweedy Brown Co. LP, et al.'s sold 115 shares at $8.25 per

share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 473
#90339c0058 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

KEYSTONE INDEPENDENT TRUST OWNS 78,370 SHARES (9.99%) OF FIRST HARRISBURG BANCORP INC.(TICKER: FFHP) OF HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Keystone Independent will seek to have one or more persons appointed to the company's board or nominated as a candidate for election to be held at the 1991 annual meeting.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 31, 1990, the trust bought 78,370 shares for $626,960.

PURPOSE:

Investment

-30- 654
#90339c0059 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 19

GROUP LED BY CHARIOT HOLDINGS LTD. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 639,025 SHARES (18.95%) OF SYNALLOY CORP.(TICKER: SYO) OF SPARTENBURG, SOUTH CAROLINA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 9, 1990 to Nov. 29, Chariot Holdings LTD., et al. bought 18,000 shares at $5.75 to $7.00 each.

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#90339c0060 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

C.E. LINDROS OWNS 85,579 SHARES (7.60%) OF MARATHON BANCORP. (TICKER: MARB).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Investment

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#90339c0061 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

BCE VENTURE CAPITAL INC. OWNS 9,466,667 SHARES (41.30%) OF NATIONAL TRANSACTION NETWORK INC.(TICKER: NTNI) OF HUDSON, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

BCE granted Nelson Doubleday the right to buy up to 2.2 million company shares from BCE until Dec. 15, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 9, 19990, BCE Venture Capital Inc. bought 2.2 million shares at 20 cents each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 626
#90339c0063 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Calcap-G.B. Associates, a joint venture in which Talcon L.P.(TICKER: TLCN) holds a 50% interest, has reached an agreement to terminate a contract to purchase certain real property located in Holmdel, New Jersey.

Talcon reports the contract, entered in 1986, was the subject of litigation between Calcap and the property owner, with each alleging the other failed to comply with terms of the contract.

The termination agreement requires Calcap to forfeit a $200,000 deposit, but relieves the joint venture from any obligations it might have had under the purchase agreement.

Talcon also states that Calcap is anticipated to be dissolved and that the dissolution will result in a write-off of approximately $800,000 by Talcon in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990.

-30- 1017

#90339c0064 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 16 1990, Headquarters 8A, a partnership in which Digital Solutions Inc. (TICKER: DGSI) and an unaffiliated party are equal general partners, failed to make a mortgage payment of $45,000 due on that date.

The partnership, says Digital, is in arrears in the payment of interest and principal on the mortgage and the payment of real estate taxes.

The partnership was formed on Oct. 9, 1988 for the purpose of acquiring and leasing an office building located in Monroe Township, New Jersey.

The company also is in arrears regarding the payment of rent and joint venture liabilities of approximately $300,000, and is liable for $3.64 million in outstanding mortgage principal.

Talcon states the partnership is seeking to sell or lease the office building, but has been unsuccessful in doing so.

-30- 1054

#90339c0065 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that pursuant to the filing for bankruptcy by Laventhol & Horwath on Nov. 21, 1990, Amerihost Properties Inc.(TICKER: HOST) was notified by Laventhol that Laventhol would be liquidating their firm and unable to audit Amerihost's financial statements for the year ending Dec. 31, 1990, and accordingly resigned from their engagement as Amerihost's accountant.

Amerihost states it is in the process of selecting another accountant.

-30- 663

#90339c0066 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Amvestors Financial Corp.(TICKER: AVFC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$13,832,000	$33,674,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(20,998,000)	$1,864,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.53)	$0.12
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	13,693,000	15,850,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,540,338,000	$1,281,927,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,047,000	$40,156,000

-30- 1103
#90339c0067 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pharmacontrol Corp.(TICKER: PHAR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,960,000	$5,119,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,727,000)	$(1,183,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.16)	$(0.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,067,307	9,858,101

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$20,972,000	$22,102,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(2,839,000)	$(1,312,000)

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#90339c0068 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Marketing Systems of America Inc.(TICKER: MASY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$256,730	$643,637
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(317,602)	$(100,627)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,762,280	$3,241,695
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,371,929	$2,808,884

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#90339c0069 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bicoastal Corp.(TICKER: SIGP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$57,700,000	$61,800,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$1,300,000	$300,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$21,500,000	$900,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.96	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	21,069,000	21,069,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$347,100,000	$325,900,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$51,400,000	$33,400,000

-30- 1074

#90339c0071 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Natural Alternatives International Inc. (TICKER: NATA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,030,608	$2,800,408
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$231,654	$343,477
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$0.09

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,983,230	$5,303,805
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,020,778	$2,789,124

-30- 1038

#90339c0072 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Federal Savings Bank.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,806,490)	$(69,128)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.59)	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$344,264,244	$343,982,138
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,957,462	$15,532,661

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#90339c0073 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Federal Savings Bank of Duval Co. (TICKER: AMJX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(686,000)	$94,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.73)	$0.10
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	934,678,000	934,678,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$262,222,000	$272,484,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,850,000	$11,286,000

-30- 912

#90339c0074 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Specialty Retail Services Inc.(TICKER: SRSI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,577,000	$8,167,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(32,000)	$159,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(224,000)	$194,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,512,500	4,309,375

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,536,000	$11,610,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$401,000	$545,000

-30- 1103

#90339c0075 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Vystar Groupe Inc.(TICKER: VDSP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$342,572	$197,253
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$57,830	$(64,958)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,200,000	9,200,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,747,171	$2,621,607
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,989,531	$1,931,701

-30- 1066

#90339c0076 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Airship International Ltd.(TICKER: BLMP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,332,000	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(465,000)	$(358,000)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,550,000	5,042,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$16,275,000	$12,995,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,659,000	$1,370,000

-30- 1073

#90339c0077 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bancoklahoma Corp.(TICKER: BOKC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$23,000	$46,767,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,105,000	$74,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.20)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,797,642,000	$1,971,763,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(22,700,000)	$(28,824,000)

-30- 948

#90339c0079 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 5) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:37 that trade in Lone Star Ind. Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE ticker symbol LCE.

-30- 322

#90339c0080 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - A. PIERCE OF 4118 SADDLEBACK RD, PARK CITY, UTAH 84060, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,000 SHARES OF HASTINGS CORP.(TICKER: HAST) THROUGH ALPINE SECS. THE

FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 26, 1990.

(HASTINGS CORP. TEL: 801 486-5555)

-30- 391
#90339c0081 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. LEHMAN OF 520 BROADWAY, SUITE 250, SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA 90401, HAS FILED TO SELL 55,500 SHARES OF DRAKE HOLDINGS CORP. THROUGH DRAKE CAPITAL SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 23, 1990.

(DRAKE HOLDINGS CORP. TEL: 213 393-1900)

-30- 420
#90339c0082 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G.R. CYSEWSKI OF 73-4781 HAOLANI, KAILLIA-KONA, HAWAII 96740, HAS FILED TO SELL 190,000 SHARES OF CYANOTECH CORP.(TICKER: CYAN) THROUGH NATIONAL SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 29, 1990.

(CYANOTECH CORP. TEL: 206 481-2173)

-30- 413
#90339c0083 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S. EMMERMAN OF 25 HAYWOOD AVE, MILLER PLACE, NEW YORK 11764, HAS FILED TO SELL 138,888 SHARES OF HOMECARE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: HMIS) THROUGH BEST INVESTORS GROUP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 29, 1990.

(HOMECARE MANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 516 654-3392)

-30- 440
#90339c0084 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W. LING OF 64 ELLMYER RD, EDISON, NEW JERSEY 08820, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF UTI CHEMICAL INC.(TICKER: UTIC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 21, 1990.

(UTI CHEMICAL INC. TEL: 714 837-0800)

-30- 397
#90339c0085 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.A. SUCKOW OF 1412 SUSAN LANE, POINT PLEASANT, NEW JERSEY 08742, HAS FILED TO SELL 400,000 SHARES OF YARDLEY VENTURES INC. THROUGH INVESTACORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 27, 1990.

(YARDLEY VENTURES INC. TEL: 201 899-1111)

-30- 412
#90339c0087 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K. WEBER OF 230 WEST BROADWAY #312, LONG BEACH, NEW YORK 11561, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF DIVERSIFIED INVESTORS CORP.(TICKER: DVIN) THROUGH SHERWOOD SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 28, 1990.

(DIVERSIFIED INVESTORS CORP. TEL: 212 509-5000)

-30- 437
#90339c0088 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. BARSON OF PO BOX 85, CLARKSTON, UTAH 84305, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF INTERSTATE GOLD & GAS THROUGH WILSON DAVIS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 27, 1990.

(INTERSTATE GOLD & GAS TEL: 801 513-5818)

-30- 401
#90339c0089 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E.R. PEARSON OF 5025 S EASTERN AVE #24, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89119, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF SABEL PALM AIRWAYS INC. THROUGH ALLIANCE SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 27, 1990.

(SABEL PALM AIRWAYS INC. TEL: 702 597-9980)

-30- 424
#90339c0090 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.W. DAY II OF 3070 BRISTOL ST, SUITE 650, COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA 92626, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF US ENVIRONMENTAL INC. THROUGH OLSEN PAYNE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 20, 1990.

(US ENVIRONMENTAL INC. TEL: 215 429-0120)

-30- 419
#90339c0091 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - K. MITTELSTEADT OF 112 CANTERBURY CIRCLE, LESUEUR, MINNESOTA 56058, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF LAMCOR INC. THROUGH WESTONKA INVTS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 21, 1990.

(LAMCOR INC. TEL: 612 665-6658)

-30- 390
#90339c0092 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RUDY STEVEN M EP & PS TRUST OF 7 WHATNEY, IRVINE, CALIFORNIA 92718, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF UTI CHEMICAL INC.(TICKER: UTIC) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 30, 1990.

(UTI CHEMICAL INC. TEL: 714 837-0800)

-30- 439
#90339c0093 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A. DEMONE OF 11712 EAST JEWELL PLAZA, AURORA, COLORADO 80012, HAS FILED TO SELL 1,548,000 SHARES OF VITRO DIAGNOSTICS INC. THROUGH ORION SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 29, 1990.

(VITRO DIAGNOSTICS INC. TEL: 303 794-2000)

-30- 416
#90339c0095 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANDREW BAUM OF 9505 GORDON BERNARD COVE, MEMPHIS, TN 38133, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,050 SHARES OF CALGENE INC. (TICKER: CGNE) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CALGENE INC. TEL: 916 753-6313)

-30- 396
#90339c0096 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD L MACKENNA OF 1225 BORDEAUX DR, SUNNYVALE, CA 94089, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SUPERTEX INC. (TICKER: SUPX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(SUPERTEX INC. TEL: 408 744-0100)

-30- 407
#90339c0097 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLARKE SIMONDS OF 50 BENEFIT ST, PROVIDENCE, RI 02904, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF BARNES GROUP INC. (TICKER: B) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(BARNES GROUP INC. TEL: 203 583-7070)

-30- 396
#90339c0098 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOANNE B HUELSMAN OF 1924 STARDUST COURT, WAUKESHA, WI 53186, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ELECTRONIC TELE-COMMUNICATIONS I (TICKER: ETCI) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 28, 1990.

(ELECTRONIC TELE-COMMUNICATIONS I TEL: 414 542-5600)

-30- 468
#90339c0099 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PATRICK FROMER OF 9333 OSO AVENUE, CHATSWORTH, CA 91311, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 426
#90339c0100 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WELDON B JOLLEY OF 3300 HYLAND AVE, COSTA MESA, CA 92626, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,680 SHARES OF SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: SPI) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 714 545-0100)

-30- 432
#90339c0101 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLEN SIEGEL OF 41 TWEED BLVD, NYACK, NY 10960, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,614 SHARES OF ALFACELL CORP. (TICKER: ACEL) THROUGH G M S INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(ALFACELL CORP. TEL: 201 748-8082)

-30- 378
#90339c0103 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM C MILLER OF 4225 HARTWOOD LANE, TAMPA, FL 33624, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,900 SHARES OF AURORA ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: AURE) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(AURORA ENVIRONMENTAL INC. TEL: 813 961-7885)

-30- 434
#90339c0104 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BUDOR 86 ASSOCIATES OF P O BOX 6874, INCLINE VILLAGE, NV 89450, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,361 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 428
#90339c0105 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT C STRAUSS OF 14201 NW 60 AVE, MIAMI, FL 33014, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CORDIS CORP. (TICKER: CORD) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CORDIS CORP. TEL: 305 824-2000)

-30- 385
#90339c0106 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN B ASHMUN OF 1200 SMITH ST, SUITE 1500, HOUSTON, TX 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF WAINOCO OIL CORP. (TICKER: WOL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(WAINOCO OIL CORP. TEL: 713 658-9900)

-30- 414
#90339c0107 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT K GLUCK OF 3840 NORTH 40TH AVE, HOLLYWOOD, FL 33021, HAS FILED TO SELL 47,500 SHARES OF POLYMERIX INC. (TICKER: PLXX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(POLYMERIX INC. TEL: 414 722-3451)

-30- 406
#90339c0108 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARVEY N GILLIS OF 13608 NE 36TH PL, BELLEVUE, WA 98005, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,500 SHARES OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. TEL: 206 881-7544)

-30- 430
#90339c0109 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAROL WHITFIELD OF 640 CLYDE CT, MTN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CONSILIUM INC. TEL: 415 691-6100)

-30- 400
#90339c0111 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD L PRFT SHR KEOGH LUCAS OF 2921 S DAIMLER ST, SANTA ANA, CA 92705, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF TRICARE INC. (TICKER: TRCR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(TRICARE INC. TEL: 714 250-4092)

-30- 411
#90339c0112 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BIRGIT BRANDENBURG OF 601 WYTHE ST, SUITE 202, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CEL-SCI CORP. (TICKER: CELI) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(CEL-SCI CORP. TEL: 703 549-5293)

-30- 408
#90339c0113 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEAN W BROCK OF P O BOX 4235, WICHITA FALLS, TX 76308, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 393
#90339c0114 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLS OIL CO OF P O BOX 4484, WICHITA FALLS, TX 76308, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 395
#90339c0115 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREDRIC W RITTEREISER OF 305 2ND AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10003, HAS FILED TO SELL 66,650 SHARES OF CORTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: CORX) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 28, 1990.

(CORTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 714 727-3157)

-30- 446
#90339c0116 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT A LAPETINA OF 4196 ABINADI RD, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84124, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,870 SHARES OF EDO CORP. (TICKER: EDO) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(EDO CORP. TEL: 718 445-6000)

-30- 393
#90339c0117 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JUDITH GARDNER OF P O BOX 579, BLACKWOOD, NJ 08012, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,900 SHARES OF DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DRUG) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 609 228-8500)

-30- 435
#90339c0119 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH M BLANCHARD OF 3430 CLUBHEIGHTS DR, COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80906, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,165 SHARES OF CRAY COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CRAY) THROUGH MANUFACTURES HANOVER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(CRAY COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 719 579-6464)

-30- 432
#90339c0120 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES H PRIDE OF 909 NORTHWESTERN, PERRYTON, TX 79070, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,834 SHARES OF NEW LONDON INC. (TICKER: NLON) THROUGH EDWARD D JONES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 21, 1990.

(NEW LONDON INC. TEL: 512 494-1179)

-30- 404
#90339c0121 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD M HOROWITZ OF 9301 WILSHIRE BLVD #206, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF JETBORNE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: JETS) THROUGH J ALEXANDER SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(JETBORNE INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 305 635-6060)

-30- 452
#90339c0122 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RUDOLFO CESENA OF 11410 CAMINITO ARMIDA, SAN DEIGO, CA 92131, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,079 SHARES OF IRT CORP. (TICKER: IX) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 28, 1990.

(IRT CORP. TEL: 619 450-4343)

-30- 386
#90339c0123 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLENN RIGHTMIRE OF 500 WEST 120TH ST, MVDD BLVD, ROOM 244, NEW YORK, NY 10027, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. (TICKER: PMCX) THROUGH REICH & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(POLAR MOLECULAR CORP. TEL: 517 790-4764)

-30- 436
#90339c0124 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SONNY WEY OF 777 COFFEEWOOD CT, SAN JOSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 19, 1990.

(KOMAG INC. TEL: 408 946-2300)

-30- 374
#90339c0125 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM E PLETCHER OF 3450 GLADSTONE, AMARILLO, TX 79121, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE (TICKER: SPCL) THROUGH ARNESON KERCHEVILLE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIE TEL: 214 630-9825)

-30- 463
#90339c0127 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH S GENDALL OF 34 WEATHERLY CT, JAMESTOWN, RI 02835, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH WILLIAM BARTON FINL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 08, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 429
#90339c0128 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRADFORD HERBERT OF 950 DEGUINE AVE, SUNNYVALE, CA 94086, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. TEL: 408 524-7000)

-30- 424
#90339c0129 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY HILLMAN OF 15 GOODHART DRIVE, LIVINGSTON, NJ 07039, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 201 386-0600)

-30- 428
#90339c0130 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD L FARKAS OF 8101 EAST PRENTICE AVE #220, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,500 SHARES OF SYNTHETECH INC. (TICKER: NZYM) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(SYNTHETECH INC. TEL: 503 967-6575)

-30- 413
#90339c0131 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FREDERICK H SCHULTZ OF 50 NORTH LAURA ST, SUITE 2725, JACKSONVILLE, FL 32201, HAS FILED TO SELL 109,400 SHARES OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. TEL: 501 664-6000)

-30- 454
#90339c0132 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SANDRA LEIBOWITZ OF 341 SW 135TH AVE, DAVIE, FL 33325, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,700 SHARES OF DELTA RENTAL SYS INC. (TICKER: CRUZ) THROUGH LITWIN SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(DELTA RENTAL SYS INC. TEL: 305 532-2006)

-30- 417
#90339c0133 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LORETTA KRAUS OF 10131 PEBBLE BCH DR, SANTEE, CA 92071, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF SGI INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SGII) THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(SGI INTERNATIONAL TEL: 619 452-0841)

-30- 397
#90339c0135 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - IRWIN PEARL OF 78 PRESCOTT ST, LIDO BCH, NY 11561, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,000 SHARES OF CONQUEST AIRLINES CORP. (TICKER: CAIR) THROUGH BERKELEY SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CONQUEST AIRLINES CORP. TEL: 512 929-6706)

-30- 418
#90339c0136 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN OCONNOR OF 67 STERN GROVE CT, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94132, HAS FILED TO SELL 64,761 SHARES OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE) THROUGH GILBERT MARSHALL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. TEL: 415 282-3942)

-30- 457
#90339c0137 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN J OCONNOR OF 15 RED ROCK WAY N 209, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94131, HAS FILED TO SELL 64,761 SHARES OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE) THROUGH GILBERT MARSHALL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. TEL: 415 282-3942)

-30- 468
#90339c0138 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BARRY F KATONA OF 285 WEST WORTH TEMPLE, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84103, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CENTURION MINES CORP. (TICKER: CTMC) THROUGH R A JOHNSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CENTURION MINES CORP. TEL: 801 534-1120)

-30- 429
#90339c0139 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PATRICK J SWEENEY OF 673 CRAWFORD CIRCLE, 0, LONGMONT, CO 80501, HAS FILED TO SELL 134,900 SHARES OF CORAL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COCI) THROUGH STUART-JAMES CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CORAL COMPANIES INC. TEL: 303 820-3000)

-30- 427
#90339c0140 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES H REDDIEN OF 7734 S ELM CT, LITTLETON, CO 80122, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,577 SHARES OF WITH DESIGN IN MIND INTL INC. (TICKER: WDIM) THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(WITH DESIGN IN MIND INTL INC. TEL: 818 407-1286)

-30- 434
#90339c0141 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JULIE GOULD FUND OF 3540 SPRINGLAND LANE, WASHINGTON, DC 20008, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,770 SHARES OF ADOBE RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: ADB) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(ADOBE RESOURCES CORP. TEL: 212 758-8110)

-30- 424
#90339c0143 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, D.A. CONARY, DIR. OF ASTRA CORP.(TICKER: ASSN) BOUGHT 6,367 SHARES AT $0.27 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,153.

-30- 291
#90339c0144 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 27, 1990 TO NOV. 29, 1990, T.M. POLAND, DIR. OF BFS BANCORP INC.(TICKER: BFSI) (DEL) BOUGHT 6,300 SHARES FROM $4.63 TO $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,050.

-30- 339
#90339c0145 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 1, 1990, ARTHUR J KANIA TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF OPT SCIENCES CORP

(TICKER: OPST) BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 501,911.

-30- 351
#90339c0146 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

IVACO INC. OWNS 2,243,650 SHARES (52.60%) OF LACLEDE STEEL CO. (TICKER: LCLD).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The company announced that it intends to distribute at least 32,000 shares to four of its key employees as incentive compensation.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 30, 1990, the company purchased from Ivaco 50,000 shares of the company's common stock at $8 per share.

-30- 563
#90339c0147 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a letter dated Dec. 4, 1990 to its shareholders, Justin Industries Inc. (TICKER: JSTN) announced its recommendation of unanimous rejection of the Sutherland/Rosenstein offer because Justin believes that this is not the time to sell the company. Pursuant to the merger agreement dated as of Aug. 21, 1990 among TLAI, the Company and Tony Lama, TLAI was merged with and into Tony Lama on Oct. 15, 1990, whereupon Tony Lama became a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company.

-30- 695
#90339c0148 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 18,589,768 SHARES (70.00%) OF PHOENIX RESOURCE COS. INC.(TICKER: PHN) OF OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 3,618,265 shares receivable upon exercise of series C warrants, 6,033,713 shares receivable upon exercise of series B warrants and 236,488 shares receivable upon exercise of series A warrants.

-30- 615
#90339c0149 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 1,968,588 SHARES (9.26%) OF TRINITY INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: TRN) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Control over 13,500 was lost due to results in change of dispositive power and beneficial ownership of Gamco Investors Inc.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 20 through Dec. 3, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 238,400 shares at a price of $15.63 to $17.87 per share and sold 1,800 shares at a price of $15.88 to $17.13 per share.

-30- 699
#90339c0151 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M. BISULCA OWNS 40,000 SHARES (18.35%) OF WORLD CONTAINER CORP.(TICKER: WRLD).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 375

#90339c0152 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

G.T. BOYD OWNS 40,000 SHARES (18.35%) OF WORLD CONTAINER CORP.(TICKER: WRLD).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 24, 1990 World Container Corp. entered into a loan arrangement with Harris Trust and Savings Bank under which World Container Corp. borrowed $400,000 and can borrow up to $600,000. As a condition to making the loan, the bank required additional security in the form of guarantees from the Russell Trust, Jerome Laitala Trust and G.T. Boyd, who is an issuer director. To induce G.T. Boyd to undertake the risk involved with securing a portion of the line of credit, World Container Corp. issued warrants to G.T. Boyd to purchase 333,333 common shares, exercisable for 5 years.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 919
#90339c0153 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FERRIER LULLIN & CIE SA OWNS 585,950 SHARES (4.85%) OF AUTOSPA CORP.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 4, 1990 Ferrier Lullin & Cie SA transferred 35,000 Autospa Corp. common shares held in a customer account to another custodial institution unrelated to Ferrier Lullin & Cie SA at the direction of the customer. As of that date, Ferrier Lullin & Cie SA ceased to hold more than 5 percent of the Autospa Corp.'s shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On May 17, 1990 Ferrier Lullin & Cie SA purchased 44,000 shares at $2.78 per share. Between May 17 and July 31, 1990 Ferrier Lullin & Cie SA transferred 352,000 shares out of customer accounts to an unrelated custodial institution. On July 10, 1990 Ferrier Lullin & Cie SA transferred 10,000 shares to an affiliated institution.

-30- 988
#90339c0154 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, EUGENE LU, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ADVANCED LOGIC RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: AALR), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,531,500.

-30- 375
#90339c0155 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, ROBERT E BROATCH, VP OF AETNA LIFE & CASUALTY CO. (TICKER: AET), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $33.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 794.

-30- 320
#90339c0156 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, ROBERT C GALLAGHER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ASSOCIATED BANC-CORP. (TICKER: ASBC), BOUGHT 201 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,800.

-30- 351
#90339c0157 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, ROBERT C GALLAGHER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ASSOCIATED BANC-CORP. (TICKER: ASBC), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,334.

-30- 352
#90339c0159 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, LEONARD L DRURY, DIR. OF BUSINESSLAND INC. (TICKER: BLI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES FROM $1.50 TO $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 338
#90339c0160 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JOHN H HOBART, DIR. OF BOWNE & CO. (TICKER: BNE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 522,192.

-30- 298
#90339c0161 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 21, 1990 TO AUG 28, 1990, GARY A ZAMBON, OFFICER OF BUFFETS INC. (TICKER: BOCB), SOLD 10,500 SHARES FROM $17.44 TO $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,675.

-30- 336
#90339c0162 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 23, 1990, MORTON A COHN, DIR. OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS), BOUGHT 270,000 SHARES FROM $4.41 TO $5.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 871,398.

-30- 332
#90339c0163 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 27, 1990 TO OCT 18, 1990, STEPHEN W HAMILTON, VP OF COMDISCO INC. (TICKER: CDO), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES FROM $15.38 TO $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,125.

-30- 335
#90339c0164 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, BENJAMIN T RUMSEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CERNER CORP. (TICKER: CERN), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 343
#90339c0165 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, FRANKLIN B LEONARD, DIR. OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,572.

-30- 328
#90339c0167 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, KENNETH J BARR, CHAIRMAN OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $14.25 TO $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,546.

-30- 333
#90339c0168 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 30, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, CALVIN A CAMPBELL JR, DIR. OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), BOUGHT 750 SHARES FROM $14.75 TO $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,750.

-30- 349
#90339c0169 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 30, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, CALVIN A CAMPBELL JR, DIR. OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), BOUGHT 750 SHARES FROM $14.75 TO $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 750.

-30- 349
#90339c0170 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, JOHN R EGAN, VP OF EMC CORP. (MA) (TICKER: EMC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES FROM $7.00 TO $7.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 156,500.

-30- 324
#90339c0171 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, RICHARD J EGAN, CHAIRMAN OF EMC CORP. (MA) (TICKER: EMC), SOLD 91,100 SHARES FROM $7.75 TO $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,956,660.

-30- 341

#90339c0172 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, CHARLES B MINER, DIV. OFFICER OF FIGGIE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FIGI), SOLD 2,400 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90339c0173 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, PAUL N FRUITT, VP OF THE GILLETTE CO. (TICKER: GS), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $60.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 296
#90339c0175 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, EDWARD S DAVIS, DIR. OF HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HB), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $34.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 313
#90339c0176 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, W JONATHAN SEAGLE, OFFICER OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM), SOLD 5,834 SHARES AT $40.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90339c0177 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, GERALD B SHREIBER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF J&J SNACK FOODS CORP. (TICKER: JJSF), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.48 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,981,760.

-30- 377
#90339c0178 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, CARL R DANIEL JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), BOUGHT 1,258 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,022.

-30- 364
#90339c0179 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, HARRY E TURNER III, VP OF LANDMARK LAND INC. (TICKER: LML), SOLD 400 SHARES FROM $4.25 TO $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,440.

-30- 317
#90339c0180 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 09, 1990, DONALD R ANDRES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 142,271.

-30- 361
#90339c0181 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, THORLEY D BRIGGS, PRES. OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON), SOLD 14,307 SHARES FROM $21.00 TO $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,000.

-30- 350
#90339c0183 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 07, 1990, RICHARD J LEACH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON), SOLD 10,000 SHARES FROM $20.38 TO $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 115,971.

-30- 370
#90339c0184 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, JOHN G PACEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON), SOLD 5,000 SHARES FROM $20.75 TO $20.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 246,021.

-30- 365

#90339c0185 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, H RANDOLPH SWEET, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,063.

-30- 358
#90339c0186 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 02, 1990, RICHARD J ANDERSON, VP OF MENTOR GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MENT), SOLD 4,000 SHARES FROM $9.40 TO $9.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 455.

-30- 344
#90339c0187 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOHN C CARVETH, OFFICER OF MENTOR GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MENT), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,366.

-30- 325
#90339c0188 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, HUGO E FLIESSBACH, OFFICER OF MACMILLAN BLOEDEL LTD. (TICKER: MMBL), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $15.86 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22.

-30- 326
#90339c0189 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, MICHAEL A MILES, DIR. OF MORRIS (PHILIP) COS. (TICKER: MO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $48.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 109,500.

-30- 317
#90339c0191 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, WILLIAM H BARNHARDT, DIR. OF NCNB CORP. (TICKER: NCB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES FROM $19.27 TO $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,536.

-30- 334
#90339c0192 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, LAWRENCE E HEINER, PRES. OF NERCO INC. (TICKER: NER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,160.

-30- 300
#90339c0193 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, JOHN W ALFORD, CHAIRMAN OF PARK NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PARK), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $55.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,155.

-30- 318
#90339c0194 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, WILLIAM T MCCONNELL, PRES. OF PARK NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: PARK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $55.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,896.

-30- 322
#90339c0195 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, CHARLES G CAVELL, AFFILIATED PERSON OF QUEBECOR INC. (TICKER: PQB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 330
#90339c0196 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, IRA D WALLACH, BEN. OWNER OF THE PROSPECT GROUP INC. (TICKER: PROS), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,522,500.

-30- 340
#90339c0197 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, JAMES L PATE, PRES. OF PENNZOIL CO. (TICKER: PZL), BOUGHT 300 SHARES FROM $63.38 TO $66.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,111.

-30- 325
#90339c0199 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, MARK C MASUR, SHAREHOLDER OF STOR FURNISHINGS INTL INC. (TICKER: STOR), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 468,552.

-30- 343
#90339c0200 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, THOMAS M GAUBERT, CHAIRMAN OF TELECOM CORP. (TICKER: TEL), SOLD 20,300 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90339c0201 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 03, 1990, JAMES R HALE, OFFICER OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 325
#90339c0202 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, THOMAS H WENTZLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 406,803.

-30- 371
#90339c0203 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JAMES C HIGH, DIR. OF UNITED CAROLINA BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: UCAR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,085.

-30- 338
#90339c0204 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, JOHN JAMES OVERENY, VP OF USLIFE CORP. (TICKER: USH), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $29.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90339c0205 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, JOHN J FLYNN, DIR. OF WESTAIR HOLDING INC. (TICKER: WAH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,504.

-30- 326
#90339c0207 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO. OF OSAKA, JAPAN OWNS 30,066,948 SHARES (30.30%) OF MCA INC.(TICKER: MCA) OF UNIVERSAL CITY, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. LTD. commenced a tender offer on Nov. 30, 1990 for all shares of MCA Inc. at $66 net per share. The offer is set to expire on Dec. 29, 1990. The board of MCA Inc. has unanimously voted to accept the offer.

PURPOSE:

Merger agreement.

-30- 654
#90339c0208 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

G. GELMAN OWNS 97,750 SHARES (13.40%) OF FIFTH DIMENSION INC. (TICKER: FIVD) OF TRENTON, NEW JERSEY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 13 and Dec. 3, 1990 G. Gelman purchased 14,350 shares at $1.78 to $2.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 450
#90339c0209 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

N.D. GROSS OWNS 374,781 SHARES (14.62%) OF BELL SAVINGS HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: BSBX) OF UPPER DARBY, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

N.D. Gross presently may acquire up to a total of 1,916 additional shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 7, 1990 through Nov. 27, 1990, Eileen Gross purchased 50,000 shares at a price of $.94 to $1.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

Potential acquisition of additional shares.

-30- 621
#90339c0210 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ASCII CORP. OWNS 681,833 SHARES (5.30%) OF INFORMIX CORP. (TICKER: IFMX) OF MENLO PARK, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

ASCII has certain rights to obtain additional shares of Informix and is subject to certain limitations in accordance with the terms of the common stock purchase agreement dated Nov. 26, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 26, 1990, pursuant to a common stock purchase agreement, ASCII Corp. purchased 671,833 shares of Informix Corp. common stock for the total purchase price of $6,718,330.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 741
#90339c0211 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY PETER CUNDILL & ASSOCIATES BERMUDA LTD. OWNS 187,500 SHARES (10.20%) OF TRICO PRODUCTS CORP.(TICKER: TRCO) OF BUFFALO, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 3, 1990 through Nov. 26, 1990, Value Fund purchased 26,000 shares at a price of $26.25 to $32.50 per share.

-30- 504
#90339d0110 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PANAMA CITY (DEC. 5) - U.S. troops in combat gear surrounded Panama's police headquarters Wednesday after a former police chief who escaped from prison Tuesday took it over with about 100 followers.

As Panama braced for a general strike, Eduardo Herrera denied he was attempting to topple the government.

"I categorically deny wanting to organize a military rebellion," said Mr. Herrera, 47.

The strike was called by 68 (eds: correct) unions, the first such action against the U.S.-installed government of President Guillermo Endara.

Mr. Herrera told a group of journalists allowed to enter the central barracks of the Panamanian Public Force that he was concerned about the salaries,

working conditions and "dignity" of the Public Force police.

Mr. Endara early Wednesday criticized "the irresponsible attitude" of "certain members" of the police who had decided to join the 24-hour strike.

In a nationwide radio broadcast, the president urged workers to show up for their jobs, but advised families in the capital and its suburbs not to send their children to school.

Following the president's broadcast, Mr. Herrara said in a communique that Public Force officials would observe the strike because the police "believe the government does not respond fairly and positively to public demands."

The retired colonel said Deputy Interior Minister Ramon Lima had been allowed to leave the barracks, and would report back on the government's response to the concerns he had expressed.

Mr. Herrera said he had the backing of 600 Public Force followers who were ready to provide "the support of all the country's barracks."

Panamanian authorities for their part reported that the rest of the country remained "calm." They did not release details of how Mr. Herrera took over the barracks.

The U.S. Army units stationed at bases in Panama's canal zone were deployed outside the barracks, located in a suburb in the west of the capital, at the request of the Endara government.

As dozens of U.S. troops wearing combat gear surrounded the barracks, a U.S. military officer could be seein attempting to negotiate with a group of the mutineers.

In Washington, U.S. Defense Department spokesman Terence Meehan confirmed that U.S. troops were providing a "perimeter security cordon" around the headquarters.

-30- 2553

#90339d0250 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 5) - Elton John says he has conquered a drinking problem and now plans a complete rest from music to concentrate on his own life.

Speaking in Paris, the flamboyant rock superstar said: "I've stopped drinking -- I went into detox in America a while ago. Drinking used to make me angry, I could not face my own problems. I'm happy today just getting up in the morning."

He added: "I'm not going to do a tour for a year-and-a-half, it's time to have

a rest, I'm tired of the same old routine."

In the past two years, he has completely changed his life, selling off his art collection and Watford Football Club. He dates the transformation to his meeting with Ryan, a nine-year-old American haemophiliac who subsequently died of AIDS.

That made him realise how empty his own life was, he said. "The most difficult thing to say was, "I need help." I was too self-centered for that," he added.

"At 43, I've decided to live a different life. I got to the point where I wasn't doing anything for myself. I've only just started answering the phone myself again."

He said he decided to sell off his posessions when he looked around his house and discovered it resembled a warehouse. "There wasn't any room left for me," he said.

-30- 1447

#90339d0400 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AYODHYA, INDIA (DEC. 5) - Thousands of Hindus have gathered here to resume an explosive crusade to replace a decrepit Moslem mosque with a temple, raising fears of another bloody showdown between police and the faithful.

Despite attempts by the organisers to limit their numbers, more than 10,000 zealots are already here and hundreds more are still entering the bustling riverside temple town in northern India.

The Hindu concentration has sparked fears of another repeat of the confrontation between temple activists and security forces that left 24 people dead on October 30 and November 2 in police gunfire.

But Hindu militants intent on building a temple for their Lord Rama at the 16th-century mosque site are unfazed.

"Our aim is to secure our right to build the temple at the disputed place," said Atma Chetan, a 65-year-old Hindu ascetic. "It is ours and should be given to us."

"We are determined, very determined," added Purushottam Narain Singh of the Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP, World Hindu Council), which is at forefront of the temple construction campaign.

Hindu militants say the mosque was built at the birthplace of Lord Rama, a divine symbol of good portrayed by mythology as an incarnation of the god Vishnu, after demolishing a Rama temple. Moslems do not accept the account.

The VHP and other militant groups have declared they will not relent until they are successful.

Efforts by the administration of Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar to head off the campaign have failed. However, two rounds of talks in New Delhi over the last week bringing Hindu and Moslem leaders together were seen as a positive development.

The authorities in this northern Indian town were keeping their fingers crossed for the rally Thursday despite assurances by the VHP that its cadres will remain disciplined.

"We sincerely and really hope that everything goes off peacefully," said a senior official of the paramilitary Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), standing outside the heavily barricaded Moslem shrine.

-30- 2267

#90339d0430 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH, Germany (DEC. 5) - Andre Agassi, the world number four, will miss the Grand Slam Cup, the richest tennis tournament ever staged, here next week.

Agassi, winner of the Masters in Frankfurt, has been ordered by doctors to rest for between three and six weeks after tearing a chest muscle during the American victory over Australia in the Davis Cup final in St Petersburg, Florida, last Sunday.

His place in the line-up will be taken by another American, Brad Gilbert.

World number two Boris Becker has already announced he will not take part in the six million dollar event.

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#90339d0500 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (DEC. 5) - Turkey will send two lorryloads of medicines to Iraq, it was disclosed here Wednesday.

Ihsan Saraclar, the deputy president of the Turkish Red Crescent Association, said the lorries would leave for Baghdad Thursday.

He said there were 112 different medicines in the aid package requested two weeks ago by visiting officials of the Iraqi Red Crescent.

There were no pain killers or any other medicine with battlefield application among those being sent, Saraclar noted, adding that the provision of aid did not breach the U.N. embargo against Iraq.

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LONDON (DEC. 5) - The British side of an operation by Eurotunnel, responsible for completing the tunnel under the Channel, to raise 532 million pounds (about one billion dollars), has been subscribed to the extent of 84.3 per cent, the Morgan Grenfell bank said here on Wednesday.

The bank was responsible for the British side of the capital-raising operation which accounted for 42 per cent of the total.

The remaining 16 per cent was placed with mostly British financial institutions through the stock market here early on Wednesday at market prices, the bank said.

About 70.8 million shares were sold of 83.98 million on offer in Britain.

In France Banque Indosuez was responsible for placing 115.4 million shares, and was due to announce the outcome on December 14.

The level of subscription in Britain was higher than had been estimated. Some analysts had even warned that it would flop. They said that publicity surrounding the meeting of the French and British ends of the service tunnel on Saturday had been a major factor in encouraging the public to buy shares.

On Wednesday, Eurotunnel shares rose by 27 pence in London to 370 pence. Before the operation to raise capital was announced, they were at 435 pence.

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#90339d0520 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 5) - Cambodian resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk appeared before a French court here Wednesday on libel charges filed by Cambodian Foreign Minister Hor Nam Hong.

The case arose from an interview with Prince Sihanouk published by the French paper, Journal du Dimanche, in which he accused the official of the Phnom Penh regime of having commanded a Khmer Rouge concentration camp.

Mr. Hor Nam Hong, who was also present to testify, is seeking 500,000 francs (100,000 dollars) in damages from Prince Sihanouk. The resistance leader has been in the French capital for some two weeks now trying to organize talks to break the stalemate in the Cambodian peace process.

Roger Therond and Remi Favret, the director and a journalist for the Journal where the interview appeared on July 23, 1989, are also being sued.

Mr. Hor Nam Hong told the court Wednesday that he had never directed any such

camp but that as a "former Sihanoukist", he himself was detained in a re-education camp for intellectuals from 1976 to 1978. He told the court he had been arbitrarily appointed in 1978 to head the camp "committee" responsible for handling food distribution, giving out work and organising political brain-washing sessions. "To refuse or ask questions would have been suicide," he said.

Prince Sihanouk had accused him of "responsibility for the death, following atrocious torture, of many former members of the anti-American resistance" - an apparent reference to royalist supporters who opposed the pro-U.S. Lon Nol regime ousted by the Khmer Rouge.

The trial, which continues Thursday, was given the go-ahead last July after the French court ruled that Prince Sihanouk, whose coalition has U.N. recognition, had no diplomatic immunity in the case.

The Phnom Penh regime is not recognized by the United Nations.

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#90339d0740 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 5) - Iraq on Wednesday issued a stiff warning to Saudi Arabia, declaring that the kingdom's commander-in-chief would be held personally responsible for Saudi and Iraqi casualties in any attack on Baghdad.

The warning came as President Saddam Hussein chaired a meeting of the Iraq's supreme decision-making bodies, the Revolutionary Command Council and the Baath party leadership.

In a message to General Khaled bin Sultan, the Iraqi News Agency quoted Iraq's army chief of staff as saying his Saudi counterpart would be held accountable "for any loss of Iraqi or Saudi blood" in an attack on Iraq.

The Iraqi officer, who was not named, said he was responding to statements by Gen. Khaled that Saudi troops "were undergoing training to prepare for an attack on Iraq."

The Iraqi News Agency provided no details on the agenda of the party and command council meeting, the first since U.S. President George Bush proposed -- and President Hussein accepted -- a U.S.-Iraqi dialogue on the situation in the Gulf.

Mr. Hussein met here Tuesday with King Hussein of Jordan, Yemeni President Ali Salem al-Beid and Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat.

The four leaders hailed the prospect of U.S.-Iraqi contacts and called as well as for inter-Arab talks to secure a peaceful settlement to the Gulf crisis and other Middle East issues.

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#90339d0920 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC. 4) - The president of the GATT ministerial conference told the European Community (EC) on Wednesday that it has until 12 noon (1100 GMT) Thursday to submit new agricultural proposals, his spokesman said.

Hector Gross Espiell's deadline had been communicated to several government ministers and the representative of the EC in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) conference, spokesman David Woods said.

He added that consultations were still under way Wednesday in a bid to break a deadlock between the EC and its major trading partners over cuts in farm subsidies.

Mr. Gross Espiell did not say what the consequences of EC failure to meet the deadline would be, Mr. Woods said.

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#90339d1110 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 5) - Cuts in defence expenditure are likely to lead to loss of a third of a million jobs, union official John Wheatly said Wednesday.

Mr. Wheatly, an official of the Amalgamated Engineering Union (AEU), was speaking as unions met to discuss their response to British Aerospace's announcement Friday that it was to cut 5,000 jobs at military aircraft manufacturing plants in Kingston, near London, and Preston, in north-west England.

The trades unions involved in the defence industries estimate that at least a million jobs are dependent on military expenditure. Mr Wheatly said a third of those jobs are likely to disappear as a result of the post-cold-war "peace dividend".

As well as discussing the immediate response to the British Aerospace job losses, unions grouped in the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions will be seeking to develop their campaign for diversification of the defence industries into civilian manufacturing.

Peter Knox, European electronics analyst at Salomon Brothers in London, commented that, "the position is still very uncertain". In his view the full impact on employment of defence expenditure cuts will be difficult to gauge until there is greater clarity on the scale of defence cuts and on which areas of the defence industries they will fall.

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#90339d1170 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
THE HAGUE (DEC. 5) - The Netherlands will grant a loan of 93 million guilders (54.7 million dollars) to Turkey, Jordan and Egypt, the three countries most affected by international sanctions against Iraq, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said here on Wednesday.

He said the funds would be divided equally among the three countries, over a two-year period. Each country will receive 18.45 million guilders this year, and 12.55 million next year.

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#90339d1250 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (DEC. 5) - Israeli military authorities in the occupied territories may begin deporting suspected activists in the nearly three-year-old Palestinian uprising (intifada) in mid-December, the Israeli press reported Wednesday.

The reports said preparations for the controversial step had been largely completed. The most prominent Palestinian leaders were said to be excluded from the plan.

The Israeli government was awaiting a court decision that would speed up the normally protracted deportation procedure, the reports added.

Meanwhile, the banned Islamic fundamentalist organisation Hamas called for intensifying the armed struggle against Israel. To mark the intifada's third anniversary December 9, the group distributed fliers urging Palestinians to carry out attacks on Israelis.

''The enemy should not be allowed a moment's rest,'' the fliers said. ''Trained and armed suicide assassins should be smuggled as deep as possible into enemy territory.''

There have been 13 knife attacks on Jews on Israeli territory since October 8, when Israeli police shot at least 16 Arabs to death during unrest on Jerusalem's Temple Mount.

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#90339d1280 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
STOCKHOLM (DEC. 5) - The Gotlandsolja firm, a subsidiary of Swedish oil company Grauten Oils, has discovered oil five kms (three miles) from Baaticks, a locality in western Gotland Island in the Baltic Sea, Grauten said on Wednesday.

It lies about 170 kms southeast of Stockholm.

The announcement said two wells 288 meters deep have been drilled, and pump tests will soon indicate the output capacity.

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#90339d1410 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PANAMA CITY (DEC. 5) - U.S. troops Wednesday captured a renegade former police chief who had led a rebellion by about 200 armed followers against the government of Panamanian President Guillermo Endara.

Former colonel Eduardo Herrera could be seen in television reports surrounded by U.S. soldiers after he attempted to lead his followers out of the central police headquarters here where he had been holed up since late Tuesday.

At least one Panamanian policeman was wounded by gunfire when Mr. Herrera was captured, the television report said.

The renegade policemen had marched out of the police barracks in the Panama City suburb of Curundu about an hour earlier but had been dispersed by U.S. troops surrounding the building and Mr. Herrera was able to flee.

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#90339d1700 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 5) - Saatchi and Saatchi, the British advertising and public relations group, reported on Wednesday a net loss of 98.2 million pounds (186 million dollars) for the financial year ending on September 30.

That compares with a loss of 58.5 million pounds (111 million dollars) for the previous financial year.

But pre-tax profit before extraordinary charges jumped by 63 per cent, to 35.6 million pounds, against 21.8 million for the previous financial year. The pre-tax profit exceeds analysts' forecasts, which called for 25 to 30 million pounds.

As had been anticipated, no dividend was declared. Saatchi said on September 7 that it would be unable to pay any dividends for the latest financial year to holders of ordinary and preferred shares.

Chairman Maurice Saatchi warned that 1991 would be a "difficult year," but said the group was now well positioned to benefit from any recovery of the advertising market. He noted that the group's agencies had managed to preserve their market shares.

The extraordinary losses, amounting to 76.9 million pounds, are due to the restructuring costs that the group incurred during the financial year, and

particularly to the sale of several consulting firms.

A provision of 23 million pounds was set aside to offset losses on the property market.

Saatchi is trying to get back to good financial health by shedding secondary activities and concentrating on advertising, advertising space-buying, direct marketing and public relations.

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#90339d1740 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENNA (DEC 5) - The Czechoslovak market economy will get a real start as of January 1 thanks to a four-phase privatization process, Czechoslovak Privatization Minister Tomas Jezek said Wednesday.

Speaking in Eisenstadt, southeastern Austria, he said the first phase of privatization of government-owned property would entail redistribution of property nationalized at the end of the 1950s, already in progress under a law promulgated last November 1.

He said in this connection that "A year ago, nobody (in Czechoslovakia) would have talked about privatization. We thought we could find a third way, between communism and capitalism. Those illusions are dead."

The second phase, which he called "little privatization," will be based on public auctions of restaurants, stores and various service businesses, selected by a special committee in each of the country's 75 districts.

At the first round of such auctions, prices may fall by up to 50 percent from the initial price estimate, and on the second round by an additional 20 per cent, he said.

Foreigners may take part in the sales, as long as they pay 50 percent of the initial price. Receipts from "little privatization" will be used for making loans to companies.

The third phase will be "major privatization," to be discussed in parliament in the next few days. Mr. Jezek said the central aspect of that phase will be the possibility open to any citizen to acquire 1,000 "investment points," which will enable him to buy shares in the big firms to be privatized.

Due to the low level of private saving in Czechoslovakia, foreign investors will be able to take part. The minister said that he thought that foreign capital would account for the entire sale of a large number of big companies. "Without foreign capital, the Czechoslovak economy cannot be put on its feet," he commented.

The fourth phase will consist in the establishment of some joint ventures, and that phase has actually already started, he said.

Privatization of agriculture will be carried out slowly, the minister said. "It's a relatively prosperous sector. Unlike the Soviet Union, we have no problems of production or supply in the food field."

Part of government-owned undertakings will not be privatized: the railways, telecommunications and energy.

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#90339d1830 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

San Salvador (DEC. 5) - An escalation in fighting between the army and anti-government rebels has claimed 100 dead and wounded over the past two days, according to statements by the two sides Wednesday.

On November 19, rebels of the leftist Farabundo Marti Liberation Front (Fmln) launched an offensive aimed at forcing the government of Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani to resume peace talks.

Meanwhile, the fate of the seven crew members aboard an air force Ac-47 transport plane that the rebels downed with a rocket Tuesday remained uncertain.

Eyewitnesses said the seven had bailed out with parachutes.

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#90339d1850 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC 5) - The World Bank has approved a 114.3-million-dollar loan to China, the first non-humanitarian credit since the bloody Chinese Army crackdown on pro-democracy militants 18 months ago, the Bank announced here Wednesday.

It said its board of governors gave its green light at a meeting Tuesday for the loan package aimed at financing technological improvement of China's rural sector.

The package includes a 50-million-dollar, 20-year loan from the World Bank and a 64.3 million-dollar 35-year credit from the International Development Association, the World Bank's soft loan affiliate.

Until now the bank's policy in the wake of the June 1989 crushing of the pro-democracy movement in Beijing's Tiananmen Square had been to approve only loans designed to meet humanitarian needs.

In fiscal 1990 which ended last May 30, the bank extended loans totalling 590

million dollars to China and since June 1, it has lent 275 million dollars.

Before the June 1989 crackdown, China had been receiving World Bank loans totalling more than two billion dollars annually.

There had been speculation prior to Tuesday's meeting of bank governors that the United States would oppose the loan package to signal its displeasure with Beijing's human rights record.

But Washington, which controls less than 20 per cent of the Bank's capital and would therefore have been unable to block the loan, raised no objection.

The bank's decision came less than a week after President George Bush met for the first time since the Tiananmen Square crackdown with Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen.

That meeting came a day after China abstained in a U.N. Security Council vote authorizing the use of force to dislodge Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

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#90339d1890 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (DEC. 5) - President George Bush is considering lifting trade restrictions on U.S. exports to the Soviet Union for up to a year, a White House spokesman said Wednesday.

White House spokesman Roman Popadiuk said Mr. Bush was examining several trade recommendations, among them a one-year suspension of the Jackson-Vanik amendment which conditions all U.S. aide to the Soviet Union on adoption by Moscow of more liberal emigration policies.

No decision has yet been taken, Mr. Popadiuk said here in Argentina where he is accompanying the U.S. president on his third stop of his five-nation tour of South America that ends Saturday.

U.S.-Soviet trade policy has come under reconsideration as Moscow faces increasingly grave economic difficulties and as Germany offers massive assistance to the Soviets to prevent shortages as winter approaches.

Asked last week about liberalizing U.S. trade policy toward the Soviet Union, Mr. Bush said the Soviet parliament had not yet acted to adopt more liberal emigration policies.

But he also said he would take into consideration the large number of Soviet Jews that have been permitted to emigrate and American grain producers who want the United States to grant the Soviet Union loans for purchasing U.S. grain.

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#90339d1920 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC 5) - The chairman of the stalled world trade summit on Wednesday gave the European Community (EC) until mid-day Thursday to improve its offer on farm subsidies, but EC negotiators immediately rejected the move.

The "ultimatum" was issued by Hector Gros Espiell, Uruguayan chairman of the 107-nation conference organized by the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) to conclude the Uruguay Round talks, GATT spokesman David Woods told reporters.

"The Uruguay Round is at present dead in the water," Australian trade negotiations minister Neal Blewett said. "It has very little chance of survival," he told a news conference.

Ambassador Tran Van Thinh, a key EC negotiator, said he was not aware of any ultimatum. If there was one, the answer was "negative", he said.

The Community refused to be placed "in the dock," he added.

Asked whether a deal on agriculture remained possible, he replied: "On condition the Community is not alone" in moving.

EC farm commissioner Ray MacSharry said "we cannot accept that the EC has to give on all fronts."

Another ranking EC official said the Community would not accept isolating agriculture from the other 14 areas being negotiated in the Uruguay Round, the biggest-ever efforts to free up world trade and extend GATT disciplines to new areas.

Mr MacSharry also stressed that agriculture was only one of the issues facing ministers here, adding that it was wrong to consider it as "the" issue.

He said there had been "no movement" on several issues, including services, textiles and trade-related investment measures.

Mr. Woods said Mr Gros Espiell made it clear to ministers of EC countries that the community must make a new offer on reducing subsidies to farmers, an issue which has blocked the GATT talks.

But he added that the conference chairman had not spelt out the consequences if the deadline were missed.

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#90339d1970 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 5) - The Paris Bourse made a moderate gain on Wednesday, even

though hesitation on Wall Street at the latter's opening checked operators' enthusiasm here late in the session, analysts said.

The CAC-40 stock price index followed up its slight 0.10 per cent gain on Tuesday with an advance of 0.84 per cent on Wednesday, after opening 0.89 per cent higher.

Analysts said that despite worries about interest rates, including possible higher rates in Germany, the Bourse was helped by the existence of substantial available cash for market investments. For the last few days, managers of "Sicav" mutual funds have been buying to use what they regard as excessive cash on hand.

Eurotunnel was again the center of attention, with 6.3 million shares changing hands on Wednesday after 7.7 million on Tuesday. The shares rose by 4.7 per cent here on Wednesday, to 35.85 francs, and by 27 pence in London to 370 pence.

In addition, Thomson-CSF rose by 5.1 per cent on the day on 588,000 shares,

CCMC jumped by 20 per cent, MMB 8.8, and Generale Occidentale 8.5 per cent. BIP lost 5.8 per cent, GTM Entrepose 4.4, and Geophysique 3.2 per cent.

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ABU DHABI (DEC 5) - United Arab Emirates (Uae) President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahyan said Wednesday he was confident that Kuwait would eventually be liberated from Iraqi occupation.

''Kuwait will regain freedom as it was before the treacherous Iraqi occupation because the Kuwaiti cause is a crucial issue for the international community.

''This cause is based on the principle of not allowing the aggressor to benefit from his aggression and to safeguard stability in the region,'' he said.

Sheikh Zayed made his remarks during a meeting here with a delegation of the Kuwaiti People's Congress.

A general Kuwaiti congress, representing a wide spectrum of Kuwaiti society, was held in the Saudi Red Sea port city of Jeddah in October under Kuwait's exiled Emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah.

Zayed reiterated the Uae's stance calling for a total Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the return of the legitimate government led by Sheikh Jaber.

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#90339d2140 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Bogota (DEC. 5) - At least 10 people were killed and four were missing in landslides caused by heavy rain in Colombia Wednesday, local authority officials said.

Six resident of the town of Villavicencio, 70 kilometres southeast of Bogota, died when three houses of a slum district were buried under a mass of earth and mud from a mountainside.

Another four people died at Arcabuco, 140 kilometres northeast of the capital, when a landslide destroyed several homes.

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#90339d3150 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 5) - Russian Federation President Boris Yeltsin on Wednesday warned the Soviet army against attempting a coup.

Mr. Yeltsin, speaking at the Dzerzhinski military academy in Moscow said a coup would "lead the country to a catastrophe," even "civil war."

"Soldiers cannot play an important role in the state, but I am categorically opposed to the idea of solving the crisis through force, by relying on the army," Mr. Yeltsin said.

His speech for the academy's 170th anniversary was reported by the unofficial Interfax news agency.

"The army cannot solve economic problems and today this is the main issue", he said, adding that if a coup did take place it would "deprive us of our last chance of finding a positive outcome, our last chance of avoiding a civil war."

He also said that "if one brought the army into our unstable society, the confrontation would get worse, which would lead our country to catastrophe."

"The army is not united...we are aware of the differences (among soldiers). The army could split into opposing group and the current peaceful political struggle could become armed," Mr. Yeltsin said.

"In the knowledge that our country is a nuclear power, this hypothesis would be a threat not only for our country, but for the whole world," he added.

He said he backed the idea of a "total reform" of the army and noted that "the best reform project cannot only be worked out by the Ministry of Defence."

"It is in our best interest to have an efficient military policy, stable peace security for the country and a high quality army," he added.

Stressing that Russia was preparing a series of measures to provide social protection for soldiers during the difficult period introducing a market economy, Mr. Yeltsin said committees would be set up by next February in Russian cities and regions to look into soldiers' rights and complaints.

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#90339d3200 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

QUETTA, Pakistan (DEC. 5) - Pakistan's nuclear program is entirely peaceful, army chief General Aslam Beg said here Wednesday, "thanking" those who would have the world believe the country already had nuclear weapons.

"Thanks to those who have made the world believe that we have a military nuclear capability, that we have the components of a nuclear bomb stacked away in safe places ready to be assembled at short notice, and that we have developed" a delivery system, Gen. Beg told army officers here.

"We are grateful to them for building such an image since it deters aggression against Pakistan," the Associated Press of Pakistan quoted him as saying.

Washington suspended some 600 million dollars of economic and military assistance to Pakistan when U.S. President George Bush failed to certify to Congress -- as required by law -- that Islamabad did not have and was not planning to build nuclear weapons.

U.S. Deputy Secretary of State for South Asia, Teresita Schaeffer, is due here for talks on the issue this week to be followed by a senior official from the Pentagon.

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#90339d3290 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) - Secretary of State James Baker Wednesday reaffirmed during Senate hearings on the Gulf crisis that the United States would support Israel if it were attacked by Iraq.

"If there is an unprovoked attack against Israel, there would be an appropriate response from the United States," Mr. Baker told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

He said he had no reason to believe under the current circumstances that Israel was inclined to provoke Iraq.

Mr. Baker said that such support would not destroy the international coalition against Iraq and would be understood by the United States' Arab allies given the Gulf crisis.

"I think this would be understood by our allies," Mr. Baker said.

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#90339d3320 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 5) - Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati held more than one hour of talks with his French counterpart Roland Dumas here Wednesday focusing on the Gulf crisis and bilateral relations, French officials said.

Mr. Velayati arrived here Wednesday for a three-day official visit which France hopes will mark an important step in normalizing relations between the two nations. It is the first to France by an Iranian foreign minister since the fall of the Shah in 1979.

Mr. Velayati and Mr. Dumas discussed the crisis sparked by the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on Wednesday as well as bilateral and cultural relations, French officials said. The two ministers will have two other rounds of talks Thursday and Friday.

Mr. Velayati is to meet President Francois Mitterrand Thursday. Talks will also be held with Prime Minister Michel Rocard and Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy.

Analysts noted that Iranian respect of U.N. sanctions against Iraq has contributed to softening the international community's dealings with the republic.

Most notably, the 12-nation European Community in October ended the sanctions it had imposed after the late Iranian spiritual leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini called for the death of British writer Salman Rushdie in February last year.

Official Teheran Radio said Iran and France both agreed on the need for a peaceful solution and for regional states to assume responsibility for security in the region.

But it said France had "shown itself in favour of the idea of making concessions to Iraq against its withdrawal from Kuwait, while Iran has repeatedly affirmed it cannot accept any geographic change in the region."

Mr. Velayati is also expected to discuss bilateral issues, notably economic and trade relations between France and Iran.

Diplomatic sources in Teheran said a long-standing financial dispute between the two countries would figure prominently in the discussions, as well as plans to boost economic cooperation.

The dispute centers on the reimbursement of outstanding debt and interest on a

billion dollar loan made by Iran to France before the 1979 revolution and on Iran's compensation to French companies for broken contracts. But the issue is so complex that it needs a political settlement, diplomatic sources said.

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#90339d3410 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 5) - French President Francois Mitterrand met German Chancellor Helmut Kohl Wednesday for talks preceding next week's European Community summit in Rome.

The two held two hours of discussions during dinner at the Elyee Palace to go over details of the proposed European monetary and political union, an issue which will be discussed next week at inter-governmental conferences.

Kohl and Mitterrand meet regularly to discuss their joint positions before important decisions are taken by the European Community.

Asked if the current negotiations on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) were discussed, Kohl said: ''We talked about everything.''

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#90339d3680 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ON BOARD THE RAINBOW WARRIOR (DEC. 5) - The Greenpeace environmentalist group rejected Wednesday as too limited a proposed meeting with French officials on Moruroa atoll, France's nuclear test site in the South Pacific.

President of Greenpeace France Alain Connan, speaking by radio, told the captain of a French frigate shadowing Rainbow Warrior II as it reached the atoll's 12-mile exclusion zone that the offered meeting was unacceptable and showed that Paris was not portraying an image of openness in the region.

A Greenpeace letter to the French Defence Ministry, conveyed Wednesday to the captain of the Lieutenant de Vaisseau Lavallee frigate, said its proposal to set up a mission under the atomic energy commission was unlikely to cast much light on the effects of nuclear testing on the atoll.

He was responding to a defence ministry letter Tuesday which offered Greenpeace officials a day-trip to Moruroa to examine "the state of the test site and of the environment."

The defence ministry said those in charge of the site would "answer all scientific queries," while the meeting would "demonstrate the willingness of the government to be open and engage in dialogue."

The invitation was a serious, realistic first step and a "pre-requisite for discussions and exchanges of view between organisations such as yours and the

testing authorities."

It also said that because of considerations of sovereignty, the Rainbow Warrior II itself would have to remain outside territorial waters and that any of its crew would be taken to the atoll by government vessels.

Meanwhile, Rainbow Warrior II continued its sampling programme outside the 12-mile zone, under constant surveillance from three French navy ships and a helicopter.

The ship later headed out to sea to gather comparative samples.

Greenpeace officials said no test results were yet available.

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#90339d3810 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) - The United States and Soviet Union have come closer to signing a nuclear arms pact as negotiators cleared away three stumbling blocks officials said.

Negotiators have agreed to limit Soviet Backfire bombers outside the treaty, allow joint U.S.-British nuclear programs to continue and restrict the modernized Soviet SS-18 missiles so they cannot carry a payload larger than the earlier version of the SS-18.

One official, who asked not to be named, did not say how many Backfire bombers would be permitted.

But Mr. Bush has put on hold his plans to travel to Moscow until negotiators attempt to agree on how weapons systems are inspected and interpretation of missile data.

Under the pact, Soviet and U.S. arsenals are to be cut by 30 percent and hundreds of warheads are to be scrapped.

Both sides are to meet Friday in Washington to discuss technical matters. On Monday, Secretary of State James A. Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze will meet in Houston, Texas.

Several stumbling blocks remain in the talks before the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START) will be completed. One official said the remaining disagreements were significant enough to block the agreement, but another said they were "not enough for anyone to fall on their sword over."

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#90339d4240 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) - Secretary of State James Baker Wednesday expressed deep pessimism that sanctions alone could force Iraq to pull its troops out of Kuwait but failed to sway Democrats on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Forcefully defending the administration's strategy to force Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to relinquish Kuwait, Mr. Baker warned that: "If (force) must be used, it will be used suddenly, massively and decisively."

"Nobody can tell you that sanctions alone will force Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait...I am personally very pessimistic that they will. This pessimism, I would also share with you, is shared by our recent intelligence estimates," he said.

President George Bush, who is currently visiting Argentina, made the same point, saying, "I've not been one who's been convinced that sanctions alone will bring him (Mr. Hussein) to his senses."

The secretary of state argued that postponing indefinitely a military showdown with Iraq would harm U.S. interests and would only help Mr. Hussein succeed in his bid to wipe Kuwait off the map.

Mr. Baker's comments came just as the State Department announced that Iraq accepted Mr. Bush's offer of high-level talks on the Gulf crisis, although no dates have been set yet.

Mr. Bush proposed Friday that Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz visit Washington some time this month and that Mr. Baker subsequently travel to Baghdad in an eleventh-hour bid to avert a Gulf war.

The president made the announcement a day after the U.N. Security Council approved the use of force against Iraq if it did not withdraw its forces from Kuwait by January 15.

"Waiting not only gives Saddam time to break the sanctions, but it imposes costs on us ... As we wait, Saddam will continue torturing Kuwait, killing it as a nation. He will continue to fortify Kuwait, to build chemical and and biological weapons and to acquire a nuclear weapons capability," Mr. Baker said.

But Democratic members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee contended that the draconian economic sanctions imposed by the U.N. should be given more time to work, a view echoed by seven former defense secretaries and former top military leaders.

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#90339d4280 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 5) - The new British prime minister, John Major, is to visit

Washington for talks with U.S. President George Bush on December 21-22, the BBC said here Wednesday night.

Mr. Major is to stay with Mr. Bush at the presidential retreat of Camp David near the American capital, and will meet members of the U.S. congress for a lunch, the BBC said.

He will fly to the United States on December 20, the BBC added.

British government sources said they would wait till Thursday morning to confirm the timing of Mr. Major's first trip to the United States since becoming Britain's new prime minister.

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#90339d4320 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AJACCIO, France (DEC. 6) - Nine Impressionist paintings valued at 20 million dollars and including Claude Monet's "Impression Soleil Levant", stolen from Paris's Marmottan Museum in October 1985, were recovered Tuesday in southern Corsica, police said late Wednesday.

Seven persons were arrested and were to be transferred to Paris after the paintings were found in a Porto-Vecchio villa belonging to 30-year-old Dona Comiti, Corsican police said without revealing further details.

Besides "Impression Soleil Levant", valued at a conservative four million dollars and the painting that gave its name to the Impressionist school, four other Monets, two Renoirs, a Berthe Morisot and a Naruse were stolen from the Marmottan Museum on October 27, 1985.

The paintings were removed in broad daylight by five armed men as some 40 visitors looked on. The alarm system was turned off during the day.

The theft took less than 10 minutes and a museum official said at the time: "These men were connoisseurs. They knew just what they were looking for."

The four other Monets were "Camille Monet et sa cousine sur la plage a Trouville", "Portrait de Jean Monet", "Portrait de Poly, pecheur de Belle-Isle" and "Champ de tulipes en Hollande".

The paintings by Auguste Renoir were "Baigneuses" and "Portrait de Monet". Also recovered were "Jeune fille au bal" by Berthe Morisot and "Portrait de Monet" by Naruse.

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#90339d4400 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS, (DEC 5) - U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de

Cuellar Wednesday urged the international community to send aid to 350,000 Liberians without food, water or medicine because of that nation's civil war.

Mr. Perez de Cuellar asked for 13.8 million dollars in urgent humanitarian aid just for Liberians living in the capital, in addition to the 11.8 million dollars in food, medical and equipment to purify water the United Nations is preparing to send.

The secretary general stressed that the year-old civil war had turned 500,000 Liberians into refugees while another 1.5 million people had fled their homes but remained inside the country.

He said 120,000 children were affected.

The nation's infrastructure has been completely destroyed, the secretary general added in a written statement.

Children as well as adults are suffering from protein and vitamin deficiencies as well as malaria, respiratory problems and diarrhea, Mr. Perez de Cuellar said.

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#90339d4410 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA, (DEC 5) - Peru's minister of education, Gloria Helfer, resigned Wednesday citing serious disagreements with Prime Minister Juan Hurtado Miller.

President Alberto Fujimori accepted the resignation, the second for his five-month old presidency.

Ms. Helfer, a socialist, said she was angered by the government's incomplete and late payment of teachers.

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#90339d4490 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (DEC. 5) - Colombia's drug traffickers Wednesday accused Medellin police of killing at least 300 people and called on family members of the alleged victims to demand stiff punishment for the authorities.

In a statement sent to the media, the extraditables, the armed wing of the Medellin cocaine cartel, claimed the lieutenant of the elite police force,

Nestor Eduardo Porras, had given evidence to a judge about the killings.

The statement said Lt. Porras alleged Medellin police officials "participated in the killings of at least 300 people," but the statement did not say when they murders were carried out.

The extraditables also said the lieutenant implicated the chief of the Investigative Judicial Police, Colonel Oscar Pelaez, and Colonel Lino Pinzon Naranjo, in the alleged murders as well as in tortures and disappearances.

Drug traffickers have repeatedly targeted Col. Pelaez for alleged human rights violations.

In their statement, the extraditables called on the families of those whom had allegedly been killed by police to stick together and demand severe punishment for the offenders.

The Attorney General's Office is investigating an allegation made two days ago by the Ochoa Vasquez family -- which has been linked repeatedly to drug trafficking -- implicating Col. Pelaez in the deaths of a family member and a family chauffeur.

The extraditables recently said they would surrender if the government made guarantees regarding their safety and legal status.

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#90339d4520 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, (DEC 5) - International Business Machines (IBM) announced Wednesday it was transferring the headquarters of its global communications business from New York to the London suburbs.

The announcement marks the first time the company, the world's largest computer firm, will headquarter a division outside the United States, IBM spokesman Peter Thonis said.

The decision was made as part of IBM's strategy to become more international and acknowledge the importance of European communications equipment, Mr. Thonis said.

Some 120 people will be moved when the section is transferred to the London suburbs in the third quarter of 1991, IBM said.

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#90339d4710 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN SALVADOR (DEC. 5) - Salvadoran rebels declared a unilateral ceasefire in the capital Wednesday to allow family celebrations for Christmas and the New Year.

In a statement sent to local media, the high command of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front said the ceasefire was limited because "the high command of the government army has not agreed to a truce."

For the Christmas holidays, the ceasefire is to start the morning of December 24 and end on the evening of December 25. The truce will begin again the morning of December 31 and end the evening on January 1.

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#90339d4770 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (DEC. 5) - Argentina and the United States signed an agreement Wednesday to refinance Buenos Aires' debt with the U.S. Agency for International Development and the U.S. Export Import Bank.

The 265 million dollar accord will re-open Argentina's access to the Ex-Im Bank's lines of medium and long-term credit, which were shut down two years ago.

Ex-Im loans are generally meant to be used to import capital goods.

Signing the accord were U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady, who travelled to Argentina with President George Bush, and Argentine Economy Minister Antonio Gonzalez.

The agreement is equal to the capital and interest which was to have been paid between July 1988 and March 1991, said Argentine officials.

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#90339d4950 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PERTH, AUSTRALIA (DEC. 6) - The former head of the Bond Corp., Alan Bond, was charged by Western Australian police here on Thursday under the Securities Code.

Mr. Bond, 52, was released on bail after being charged with one count of inducing another to deal in securities.

Mr. Bond, a business magnate who achieved world fame in 1983 when he brought the America's Cup to Western Australia, arrived at police headquarters here just before 9 a.m. local time and was released on bail about an hour later.

Bail was set at 100,000 Australian (77,000 U.S.) dollars, with a similar surety.

The charge relates to an aspect of the 1987 rescue of Rothwells merchant bank, which subsequently collapsed.

The charge alleges Mr. Bond dishonestly concealed a material fact from another Perth businesman, Brian Coppin.

Mr. Bond was expected to appear in the Central Lawcourts here on Friday.

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#90339d4970 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND (DEC. 6) - A series of strikes which could bring chaos to New Zealand's domestic air network later this month were still on Thursday, but efforts to prevent them were under way.

Maintenance engineers, baggage handlers and aircraft refuellers could stop some or all flights over seven days this month -- December 10-12, 14, and 17-19.

Although unrelated, the planned strikes are over various aspects of new wage contracts.

Employers Association advocate Marau Russell said Thursday there had been no developments that would avoid the strikes, but added that talks were continuing.

An advocate for maintenance engineers and baggage handlers with Air New Zealand and its subsidiaries, Rex Jones, said a work stoppage and secret ballot were still planned for December 14 on whether to have their strike.

He had been hoping employers would come back and negotiate.

Air New Zealand public relations officer Cameron Hill said Thursday there were still "some substantial issues to be resolved" over this dispute. However the company hoped for further discussions over the next few days.

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#90339d5120 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TAIPEI (DEC. 6) - Taiwan's exports rose 10.7 per cent and imports 6.2 per cent in November over a year earlier, the Directorate General of Budget, Accounting and Statistics said Thursday.

Exports in November amounted to 6.09 billion U.S. dollars, while imports in the month totalled 4.75 billion dollars, registering a surplus of 1.34 billion dollars, an impressive 30.4 per cent advance over November of last year, the government agency said.

The country's foreign trade in the first 11 months of this year grew seven per cent to 116.68 billion dollars -- including 61.76 billion dollars of exports, a 1.5 per cent rise, and 49.92 billion dollars of imports, a 3.8 per cent growth, it said.

Total trade surplus for the export-oriented island in the January-November

period was still down 7.4 per cent over the same period of last year to 11.84 billion dollars, it added.

The trade surplus with the United States, Taiwan's largest trading partner, plunged 22.9 per cent to 8.61 billion dollars in the period amid efforts by Taipei to reduce the trade gap which hit 12 billion dollars last year, it said.

The U.S. took a 30.3 per cent share of Taiwan's overall exports in the first 11 months, followed by Hong Kong with 14.7 per cent, the agency said.

The long-standing trade deficit with Japan, Taiwan's biggest supplier, surged 10 per cent to 7.02 billion dollars in the same period.

Japan sold 14.64 billion dollars worth of products to Taiwan, accounting for 29.3 per cent of total imports, it said.

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#90339d5130 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA (DEC. 6) - The former head of the failed Australian property group Hooker Corp., George Herscu, was found guilty Thursday of two corruption charges.

A District Court jury here returned the verdict following a four-week trial during which Mr. Herscu, 62, had pleaded not guilty to making a 100,000 Australian dollars (76,600 U.S.) corrupt payment in 1983 to then Queensland minister Russ Hinze.

Defence lawyer Kerry Copley asked for the sentencing to be adjourned until Friday.

Mr. Herscu had said in his defence he paid the money to Mr. Hinze for the purchase of race horses.

He said he had wanted Mr. Hinze, whom he regarded as a race horse authority, to buy him two yearlings and had allowed Mr. Hinze to use the money as a loan until the horses were bought.

The prosecution had told the court the money was paid to Mr. Hinze as a reward and to encourage his assistance with political favours.

Lawyer Robert Mulholland told the court that Mr. Herscu had wanted the city council to change restrictions on vehicle and pedestrian access to a southside shopping centre owned by one of his companies.

The court heard that no race horses were ever bought and the money was repaid, with interest calculated at 15 per cent, five years later in December 1988.

Mr. Hooker, which had assets in the United States, went into liquidation in July 1989, owing more than 1.9 billion dollars (1.46 billion U.S.) to 45 local and foreign banks.

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#90339d8620 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (DEC. 5) - Vietnam, faced with an imminent shortfall in its supply of cheap Soviet oil, is hoping Western or Japanese firms will help it build a billion dollar refinery to meet its domestic needs, industry sources here say.

The project was first proposed by the Soviet Union, Vietnam's ally and main supplier of aid, which is now itself in such an economic mess that it wants hard currency for all future payments from erstwhile friends.

Initial work has already begun at the site between Ho Chi Minh City, the economic powerhouse of the south, and Vung Tau, adjacent to Vietnam's sole offshore oil field at Bac Ho.

The aim of the project is first to fill Vietnam's current need of three million tonnes of gasoline a year, but with total output projected to reach five million tonnes, the refinery could also earn much needed foreign exchange to shore up the country's virtually bankrupt economy.

Western sources here say the World Bank has already rejected the project, saying there are enough refineries in southeast Asia and suggesting that Vietnam have its oil refined in Thailand.

Industry sources said three firms - the Anglo-Dutch giant Shell, Total of France and the Japanese trading house Nissho Iwai - were in the running for the project.

The Soviet Union supplied Vietnam with about 90 percent of its oil until April when it began cutting back shipments; it announced last month that its total oil exports would be halved in 1991.

The Soviet Union probably shipped only 60 percent to 70 percent of Vietnam's oil requirements in the first six months of this year, industry sources said.

Petrol prices here have risen some 300 percent in the last six months and there are frequent shortages in Ho Chi Minh City.

Vietnam is expected to produce between 2.2 million and 2.5 million tonnes - or 50,000 barrels per day (bpd) - this year, with nearly all exported to Japan, Hong Kong and Singapore.

The authorities say production should reach 60,000 bpd next year.

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#90339d8880 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 5) - Japanese telecommunications giant Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp. (NTT) said Wednesday it had developed the world's smallest and lightest portable telephone.

The new phone, measuring 150 cubic centimetres (nine cubic inches) and weighing 230 grams (eight ounces), is about a third of the size of existing NTT models and has already undergone trial production, the company said.

An NTT spokesman said it would be marketed in Japan from early next year at between 180,000 yen and 200,000 yen (1,385 dollars and 1,540 dollars).

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#90339d8910 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CANBERRA (DEC. 5) - Iraq is to release seven Australian hostages, a spokesman for Australian Foreign Minister Gareth Evans said Wednesday.

"We understand that's the case through our diplomats in Baghdad," the spokesman said.

"It's our understanding that the names will be announced by the hostages themselves in Baghdad," he said.

But a spokesman for the foreign affairs department was more cautious about the release of the hostages, among 30 Australian hostages being held throughout Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

"Something is about to happen it seems," he said. "We are not in a position to say anything until it's absolutly clear."

The Australian Associated Press (AAP) reported that Australia's ambassador to Iraq, Peter Lloyd, has confirmed that seven hostages would be released.

A representative of Iraq's national assembly told the two private Australian envoys - Tom Uren, a former federal minister, and Edward Obeid of the Australian Arab organistion - of the decision, AAP quoted hostage spokesman Bruce Watkins as saying.

The decision was expected to be "rubber stamped" later in the day, he said.

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#90339d8930 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MELBOURNE, Australia (DEC. 5) - Car maker Ford Australia will sack almost 600 white collar workers within 48 hours, a company spokesman said Wednesday.

Mike Jarvis, Ford's general manager public affairs, said the loss of 571 jobs in Australia's three eastern states was part of the company's 1.2 billion dollar (930 million U.S.) restructuring plan announced in April.

It was only partly in reaction to slumping car sales which was causing a huge stockpile of unsold vehicles to pile up, he said.

Ford, one of five large car companies operating in Australia, captured about 20 per cent of vehicle sales in October to make it the second biggest seller behind Toyota.

In 1989 Ford's net profit slipped 1.6 per cent to 124.1 million dollars (96 million U.S.) despite being the market leader.

Ford employs about 13,000 workers throughout Australia.

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#90339d8980 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (DEC. 5) - Chemical Bank inaugurated its new regional headquarters here Wednesday, saying economics dictated a move from Hong Kong rather than fears about the British colony's future under Chinese rule.

Officials of the New York-based bank told a news conference that its Singapore centre would manage Chemical's foreign exchange and other activities for all of Asia except Japan.

The original 70-strong staff here will be boosted to 100 within five months, including 35 foreign exchange dealers, and the bank's financial services group has launched an on-line centre for funds transfers.

David Taylor, managing director in charge of Chemical's global securities and foreign exchange dealings, said the bank is "committing significant corporate resources to the expansion of our treasury and trading activities in Asia."

He said Singapore was chosen as a regional headquarters because of its international profile, good communications infrastructure, skilled work pool, and "a supportive regulatory and governmental structure."

Bank officials denied the headquarters move from Hong Kong was prompted by concern about the territory's prospects after 1997 when sovereignty reverts to Beijing under an accord with Britain signed six years ago.

They said they saw no reason to keep open two foreign-exchange dealing rooms and their rent here was three times less than in Hong Kong. Overall, they said, the move will save Chemical about three million U.S. dollars a year.

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#90339d9000 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANNES, France (DEC. 5) - Japan will experience a tourism and leisure boom by the end of the century, experts have told a symposium on the "empire of rising leisure" here.

Japan has earmarked 25,000 billion yen (about 200 billion dollars) for investment in about 830 new tourist resorts during the next 10 years, the Tokyo Leisure Center research director Atsuki Onaga told the fifth international forum for leisure equipment.

This would double the country's capacity to cope with tourism, he said.

At the beginning of the next century 20 per cent of Japanese land would be reserved for different leisure activities, and particularly for golf which has acquired almost religious status for many Japanese.

Three years after the introduction of the resort law intended to encourage Japanese to make use of their holiday entitlements, the leisure business is in the grip of frenetic activity.

Nearly all of the 47 prefectoral administrative districts have launched studies to develop leisure zones with a view to obtaining state approval, and 24 of them have already won overall permission to go ahead.

The French-Japanese Creat K consultancy is advising on development of the coastline. One of the company's experts, Fumiko Kaneko, said that "most big Japanese companies, even if they have nothing to do with this sector, do not want to be left out of the leisure market".

The Nissan car manufacturing group has decided to take an interest.

The director of the Nissan Construction subsidiary Michio Suzuki has contacted the local authority of Higashino, a group of villages straggling across 19 islands by the sea in the area of Hiroshima.

His idea is to develop a resort which would link health care with industry based on products processed from seaweed.

Mrs. Kaneko said that the treatment of people by sea-water and seaweed "is an area in which demand will not be long in developing in Japan, and for which the best response would be co-ordination between French and Japanese groups with special expertise".

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#90339d9120 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 5) - The Philippines will impose a seven per cent levy on all imports in order to shrink its growing budget deficit, Finance Secretary Jesus Estanislao said here Wednesday.

President Corazon Aquino had earlier signed an order imposing a five per cent levy on imports to take effect on December 11 but Mr. Estanislao said she would soon issue another order raising the levy by two more points.

The levy is part of a series of measures including tax reform and a 25 billion peso (892.8 million dollar) cut in the budget to control the deficit and pave the way for an approval of a 700 million dollar credit program with the International Monetary Fund (IMF.)

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#90339d9170 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (DEC. 5) - Iran dismissed a U.N. draft resolution on alleged human rights abuse in the country as "insufficient" and said investigation of any irregularities should be based on Islamic values, the IRNA news agency reported Wednesday.

Late Tuesday a United Nations commission that oversees human rights matters urged Iran to rectify what it said were violations in a proposal to be submitted to the General Assembly for final approval.

The call came after U.N. special representative Galindo Pohl released a critical report on human rights in Iran following a week-long visit to the country in October.

An Iranian foreign ministry spokesman, cited by IRNA, said the commission had to take into consideration the "legal and ideological framework of the Islamic Republic."

"This point must be clarified to all the defenders of human rights: the Islamic Republic of Iran, under no conditions, will quit legal regulations and laws of Islam and that the human rights issue can be investigated in Iran only if it is aloof from political motives and is with understanding of these values," the spokesman said.

He stressed that Iran considered the draft resolution "insufficient because of the inevitable influence" of the Pohl report.

The spokesman charged that the special representative's report "provided the United States with an opportunity to exploit the situation and efforts were made to approve a strongly-worded resolution against Iran."

The U.N. draft resolution was crafted by 19 countries, most of them Western nations.

The London-based human rights monitoring organisation Amnesty International on Wednesday called on Iran to end to more than a decade of human rights abuses

In a statement, it accused the Iranian Government of "relentless and ruthless violations of the most basic human rights, including the execution of more than 5,000 people in the last three years".

In the organisation's view, "virtually nothing has changed" since its last report three years ago, despite the end of the Iran-Iraq war and the death of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

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#90339d9290 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 5) - Afghanistan President Najibullah held secret talks with mujahedeen guerrilla leaders last month in Geneva where he presented a plan for a transitional government that could end the country's 12-year civil war, The Independent reported Wednesday.

Mr. Najibullah, 42, "reached an understanding" with the leaders of five of the seven guerrilla factions that have continued fighting to topple his government since the pullout in 1988 of 130,000 Soviet troops supporting him, the daily reported.

"This war has no winner," Mr. Najibullah said in an interview with The Independent.

He said he had tabled a plan to form a new "transitional council" with representation from the guerrilla factions and his own administration that would aim to enforce a cease-fire and steer the country towards democratic elections to be held under United Nations supervision.

"One way or another, almost all of them are in favour of this transitional council," Mr. Najibullah said, adding that the powers of the new council would exceed those of his own government.

The article stated that Gulbuddin Hekmatyar and another hardline Moslem guerrilla leader had been opposed to Mr. Najibullah's plan.

Mr. Hekmatyar's 5,000-strong faction had said it would capture Kabul this winter but had so far confined itself to firing rockets blindly at the capital from behind the mountains outside Kabul, the article stated.

The Independent said that Mr. Najibullah was thought recently to have met an envoy of the exiled Afghan king, Zahir Shah, in Geneva but said the president dismissed suggestions that he should step down in favor of the deposed monarch.

"I'm still young, I have my energy," Mr. Najibullah said.

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#90339d9360 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 5) - Asia is poised to overtake the United States as Japan's biggest export market this year due to the slowdown in the U.S. economy and strong demand in Southeast Asia, according to a Japanese trade group.

The Japan Foreign Trade Council, grouping major trading firms, said a recent survey showed that exports were likey to grow 4.9 per cent to 287 billion dollars in the current fiscal year ending in March. Exports were also likely to grow at the same rate the following year, reaching 301 billion dollars.

But it also noted that exports to non-communist Asian nations - mainly the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and newly-industrialised South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Singapore - were particularly brisk.

The council noted strong demand for items such as office equipment and industrial machinery among the ASEAN countries (Indonesia, Thailand, the Philippines, Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei). Demand for consumer electronic equipment is meanwhile strong throughout East Asia, it added.

"Due to strong growth in ASEAN countries and a recession in the United States, (non-communist Asian nations) are likely to replace the United States as the top export market," the council said in its foreacast for fiscal 1991.

Japanese exports to non-communist Asian nations rose 7.2 per cent from a year earlier to 41.2 billion dollars in the six months to September, the first half of the current fiscal year. Exports to the United States grew at a slower pace of 5.5 per cent, reaching 47.1 billion dollars, in the same period.

The Asian nations, mainly ASEAN and the newly-industrialised economies, accounted for 30 per cent of all exports while the United States absorbed 34 per cent, according to figures compiled by Japan's Finance Ministry.

Japanese exports to the Asia-Pacific region overall - including China and Australia - already exceed those to the United States. In the six months to September, the country's exports to China amounted to 4.1 billion dollars while those to Australia came to four billion dollars.

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#90339d9370 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NUREMBERG, Germany (DEC. 5) - Unemployment in former East Germany rose by a sharp 8.8 per cent in November, to affect 592,200 people, but fell back slightly in former West Germany, the Federal Office of Labour reported Wednesday.

The figures, which came only three days after Chancellor Helmut Kohl's election victory, highlighted the widening economic gap between the two sides of the country, analysts said.

A further 52,400 east Germans registered as unemployed in November, bringing the local unemployment rate to 6.7 per cent, an increase of 0.6 of a percentage point over October, it said.

Another 70,100 were placed on short-time work, which is often a prelude to unemployment as ailing state firms are privatised or liquidated, the office said. It brought the total on short time to 1,773,900.

In the west of the country, 2,300 people found jobs, bringing the total to 1,685,100 persons, or 5.8 per cent of the workforce. In the past year, more than a quarter of a million people in west Germany have found work, as the economy has boomed from unification by providing goods and services for the east of the country.

In the united Germany, total unemployment stands at 2.274 million, plus 1.773 million on short-time working, in a population of around 78 million.

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#90339d9810 12/05/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 5) - Japan's Sony Corp. has been overwhelmed by the initial response to its new digital audio tape (DAT) walkman but is not planning to raise production for the time being, a company spokesman said Wednesday.

"Our distributors have asked us to increase production as they've been forced to draw up waiting lists due to a lack of supplies to meet consumer demand," the spokesman said. "But initial crazes and the current period for end-of-year bonuses are always favourable."

He added that it was still too early to increase production of the new walkman which were launched early last month in Japan and currently sell over the counter for around 100,000 yen (770 dollars) each. Initial output is for 10,000 a month.

The new walkman, which provides high-quality sound similar to compact-disc (CD) players, is to be launched in overseas markets next year.

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#90339e0022 12/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Athens (DEC. 5) EFE - Hundreds of thousands of Greek transport and bank workers stayed away from their jobs Wednesday at the start of a 48-hour strike in protest over a government bill aimed at limiting labor stoppages, trade

union sources said.

The strike hit mail deliveries, train services and caused delays in flights of the state-owned airline Olympic Airways. Bank, electricity and water services were maintained by skeleton staffs, the sources added.

Government officials have not yet indicated the extent of the labor action but authorities, reacting to reports that buses had disappeared from the streets, lifted an order allowing only 50 per cent of private vehicles into the center of Athens.

Traffic jams and high pollution were reported in the capital Wednesday morning.

The strike was called by the Greek General Confederation of Labor (GSEE), the country's main trade union organization, after the conservative government of Prime Minister Constantine Mitsotakis presented a draft law which permits the dismissal of employees judged to have taken part in +illegal or abusive strikes+.

The bill, which was being debated in parliament Wednesday and was due to be voted Saturday, also envisages the recruiting of personel to keep essential services functioning during stoppages.

The Association of Public Employees, representing 1.5 million civil servants, teachers, transport, hospital and post office workers, has called on its members to join the strike Thursday for 24 hours.

Since Mitsotakis took office in April there have been seven general stikes in protest over the government's economic plans and its three-year austerity program.

Trade Unions claim that government attempts to reduce the Social Security dlrs six billion deficit is eroding gains made by Greek workers in the last 15 years.

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#90339e0044 12/05/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 5) EFE - Russian Federation President Boris Yeltsin warned Wednesday that a greater political role for the Soviet military could lead the country into civil war, Radio Moscow's Interfax service said.

Speaking at a Moscow military academy, Yeltsin said the military was incapable of solving the country's problems, and it should not be involved in the internal affairs of the country.

"The Army cannot solve economic problems, which at the moment are our number one priority. On the contrary, such a role would deprive us of our chance to

save the country from civil war."

Yeltsin's comments came after the removal over the weekend of Interior Minister Vadim Bakatin, who had been accused of allowing Communist Party control of the police to slip.

Bakatin was replaced by Boris Pugo, former KGB boss in the breakaway Baltic republic of Latvia, and his deputy was named as Gen. Boris Gromov, who headed the Soviet forces in Afghanistan.

Referring to the problems afflicting the Armed Forces, Yeltsin said the only solution was major reform.

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#90339f0479 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 5) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	8
New lows	29

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	348	6,119,400
Declines	234	3,840,200
Unchanged	246	2,940,400
Total	807	12,900,000

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	33	30	20
New lows	46	46	32

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	1,046	145,784,800
Declines	521	44,111,200
Unchanged	437	15,924,000
Total	2,004	205,820,000

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#90339f0484 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.97	9.62
Anchor Fund Inv	14.34	15.21

Delaware Mutual	17.11	18.35
Fidelity Fund	16.65	16.65
Investor Mutual	11.24	11.83
Investor Stocks	18.57	19.55
Investor Select	8.45	8.90
IDS Equity Plus	9.01	9.48
MFS Growth Stk	8.78	9.47
Nicholas Income	3.09	3.09
Utd Accumulated	6.27	6.85
United Income	17.19	18.79
Vang Wellington	16.58	16.58

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U.N. Passes Resolution Authorizing Use of Force: U.N. passes resolution 678, okaying use of force if Iraq does not withdraw from Kuwait by January 15, 1991 putting more pressure on Saddam Hussein. China abstains from voting, trying for closer U.S. ties. Even as it prosecutes 1989 pro-democracy demonstrators, China apparently hopes to trade off its abstention for relief from U.S. sanctions and less attention to its human rights record.

Crossfire (CNN) November 29, 1990 (Transcript #193)

Getting the Green Light: Senators Alan Dixon (D-IL) and Alfonse D'Amato (R-NY) discuss the U.N. Security Council's authorization of force in the Persian Gulf and whether or not the Congress and the American public will support a war.

Larry King Live (CNN) November 29, 1990 (Transcript #181)

''The Nuclear Threat in the Gulf'' (author Richard Rhodes and David Silverstein of the Heritage Foundation debate Iraq's developing nuclear capability and whether the U.S. should move to destroy it); ''Will Iraq Cause the U.S. to Reinstate the Draft?'' (journalist Mark Shields and military analyst William Taylor discuss a possible reinstatement of the draft due to the conflict with Iraq, and debate the equities of a draft versus all-volunteer armed forces).

Primetime Live (ABC) November 29, 1990 (Transcript #169)

''Home Wrecker'' (Washington, D.C., area home owners find they have little recourse against a contractor who takes their money, tears their houses apart and never comes back to finish the job); ''...He Won't Go'' (the first conscientious objector to the Persian Gulf operation faces court-martial by the U.S. Marines); ''Window on the Past'' (Indian tribes in the Amazon who haven't changed since the Stone Age are threatened by encroaching civilization); ''Taste Tester'' (a tour of kitsch and bad taste American style).

Good Morning America (ABC) November 29, 1990 (Transcript #1164)

China's stand on the Gulf; will the draft be restored?; ultrasonic flea collars; Misery review; On the Set: Point Break; living Christmas trees; holiday travel; Judith Krantz interview; carol-singing party; holiday parties for kids.

Oprah Winfrey Show November 29, 1990 (Transcript #1099)

Meet the Cast From A Different World: The entire cast from the television series A Different World as well as director Debbie Allen talk about their experiences on the show and answer questions from the audience.

Sally Jessy Raphael November 29, 1990 (Transcript #584)

Molested by My Therapist: People who were sexually abused by their therapists share their stories. They talk about the effect the incident has had on them and how they are dealing with it now.

Donahue November 29, 1990 (Transcript #3088)

Bill Pentland, Roseanne Barr's Ex: Roseanne Barr's ex-husband and his lawyer explain why they are suing Barr for a share of the proceeds of her success. Ms. Barr and current husband Tom Arnold also add their comments by phone.

Geraldo November 29, 1990 (Transcript #836)

Standing by Your Man: Women whose husbands have had affairs tell why they want them back while women who have affairs with married men tell why they see these men. An expert tells how to keep your man from the other woman.

Friday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Death

and Sex Education for Kids Sally Jessy Raphael: Mothers of Celebrities Geraldo: Psychiatric Horror Stories Oprah Winfrey: Dangers of Denial: Your Child's Drug Abuse 20/20: Air Bus (dangerous plane?); Repo Man; K.T. Oslin 60 Minutes: Temple Mount Killings; Dutch Treat II (legalizing prostitution); Coach (abuse in schools).

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 5) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The NIKKEI average rose 331.11, or 1.5%, overnight in turbulent trading with the gains coming mostly in blue chip stocks. ... Stocks were barely moving in midday trading in London with the FTSE up 1.3 points. ... The dollar is mixed in early morning trading. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT says new home sales dropped 3.5% from September to October. ... Car and truck sales from Nov. 21-30 were 24.8% below the same period last year, dragging full-month sales figures 5.2% below last November. ... The FEDERAL RESERVE removes a rule requiring banks to hold as reserves 3% of some corporate certificates of deposit. ... PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. is closing its takeover-stock trading unit. ... Saudi Arabia's largest refinery was damaged by fire yesterday, cutting its output nearly in half, from 530,000 to 300,000 barrels a day, according to "Investor's Daily."

WHAT'S AHEAD:

Factory orders for October are scheduled for release at 10 am EST and are expected to show an increase of 2% to 2.5%. ... NCR directors are scheduled to

meet today to discuss AT&T's latest buyout offer of 90 a share. ... CHILD WORLD is expected to launch a price war to salvage its Christmas selling season and says it will stop paying its old bills for six weeks to conserve cash to buy toys for Christmas. ... COCA-COLA and PEPSICO plan next year to introduce beverage bottles that are made with recycled plastic.

FROM THE BULLS:

"There is an excellent opportunity for long-term investment in United States stocks," says MAKOTO HIRANUMA, a senior analyst at NOMURA SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL. "The typical company in the United States should grow faster than their Japanese counterparts during the 1990s." The report that he worked on for Nomura also concludes that much of the American market is extremely undervalued. Hiranuma says much of the undervaluing is a result of Middle East concerns. "After the Mid-east crisis ends, there is nothing to stop the market from reaching its value." (WSJ, 12/5)

FROM THE BEARS:

"We've come to the end of a short-term rally [of the] past four to six weeks," says BOB NUROCK, publisher of "Bob Nurock's Advisory." He calls the Fed move yesterday "significant," but says a further cut in rates is necessary to solve the credit crunch. ("Investor's Daily", 12/5)

STOCK MARKET:

MONTE GORDON at DREYFUS CORP. says the news-driven nature of the current market has a message for investors: "Don't try to outsmart this market in the near-term. Take it from a long-term point of view and when it comes down and you get a buying opportunity, grab it because these things will work their way out. (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 12/4)

"I think you can forget everything in the market today except the 40- point reversal," says ALFRED G. GOLDMAN, director of technical research at A. G. EDWARDS & CO. "The market has shown us it has discounted war but has not discounted peace." (WSJ, 12/5)

PAINEWEBBER emerging-growth stock analyst MARY FARRELL says the recent surge in OTC stocks is being augmented by the illiquidity of the stocks, or the lack of ability to buy and sell them easily. "We would have to see much higher volume before you could call this a return to outperformance" by small stocks. She says that with the U.S.'s economic downturn apparently deepening she expects to see more bad earnings news from smaller companies for the fourth quarter. Many stocks, she says, could drop as sharply as they have recently risen. (WSJ, 12/5)

"What we're seeing is that things still aren't strong, but they're not dreadful," says RICK MARTIN of PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. "Stocks had

gotten to the point where they practically were discounting World War III." ("Investor's Daily", 12/5)

"Those with a long-term investment horizon should stick with their plan," says GEORGE COLLINS, president and chief executive officer at T. ROWE PRICE, in the company's annual outlook. ("USA Today", 12/5)

"The markets had a little difficulty assessing what the reduction in reserve requirements for banks meant," says HUGH JOHNSON, chief investment officer at FIRST ALBANY CORP. "When the Fed squelched the view that it wasn't changing monetary policy, investors assumed that their concerns about the economy's health and direction were justified." (WSJ, 12/5)

The weak economy and seasonal downturn "were reflected in [technology] stocks and then some," according to PETER LABE, president of SIMPSON, LABE & CO. But he adds, "perhaps things were not as bad as our worst fears." ("Investor's Daily", 12/5)

STOCK TIPS:

"Most of the energy services stocks are currently below their pre- invasion price levels," says DAVID NEISSER, portfolio manager for FIDELITY SELECT ENERGY SERVICES FUND. He says drilling "looks much more attractive than it did several years ago," and that will bring business to these suppliers. McDERMOTT INTERNATIONAL, TIDEWATER, WEATHERFORD INTERNATIONAL, VARCO INTERNATIONAL, SMITH INTERNATIONAL, DANIEL INDUSTRIES and BAKER-HUGHES are among those stocks that should benefit from the trend, according to Neisser. ("Nightly Business Report", 12/4)

MAKOTO HIRANUMA, a senior analyst at NOMURA SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL, expects COMPAQ COMPUTER, TOYS R US, WAL-MART and PROCTER & GAMBLE to experience strong growth over the coming years. (NYT, 12/5)

"Business stinks and SEARS is not alone," says EDWARD WELLER of MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. "But Sears is having more trouble than others because of internal problems and its heavy exposure to durable goods. Big-ticket items are moving very slowly." His recommendation on the stock: "Sell, sell, sell." However, WAYNE HOOD at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE rates the stock a hold because of what he considers a safe 7.7% annual dividend yield. ("USA Today", 12/5)

For the third time in a row stocks picked by a random throw of the darts faired better than stocks carefully chosen by professionals in a monthly contest held by "The Wall Street Journal." Contestants picking stocks for the next six months hope to restore confidence in the professionals. ALAN BOND, equity portfolio manager at W.R. LAZARD & CO. picks U.S. SURGICAL CORP. which has a new line of laparoscopic devices used in surgical procedures. This new line and the companies already dominate position in surgical staples should keep earnings growing at a red-hot pace, according to Bond. LAWRENCE CISNEROS

president of SAN JUAN ASSET MANAGEMENT INC. recommends C.R. BARD INC. which also makes health-care products, particularly those used in cardiovascular surgery and urology. "It's out of favor; that's our philosophy," says Mr. Cisneros who estimates earnings will grow to 85 cents a share in 1990 and to $1.15 a share in 1991. By the middle of the year he says the stock could rise to $21 to $22 a share from its current $17 price. CHARLES BRANDES, president of BRANDES INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT INC. in San Diego, favors shares in the Dutch company AKZO because it is "awfully cheap." He says to hold the stock for "two to five years." ROBERT FREEDMAN, chief investment officer for stock funds at JOHN HANCOCK MUTUAL FUNDS, is the final contestant. He picks EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS INC., a small firm that administers health plans. He says, "It's not a cheap stock, but it's growing very dramatically. ... It's a niche company that doesn't have a whole lot of competition." (WSJ, 12/5)

LOUIS EHRENKRANTZ of LADENBURG, THALMANN & CO. INC. writes in his "Morning Hotline" for Dec. 5 that he continues to recommend LAIDLAW "which has experienced 30% annual compounded growth for the past 17 years." He also recommends MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS which should extend its recent earnings record to a 30% gain for the year "on a 65% gain in revenues." Both companies are recession proof, according to Ehrenkrantz. (MCS Sources, 12/5)

GRUNTAL & CO. recommends stock in DONALDSON CO., a Minneapolis-based maker of air cleaners, exhaust products and specializes filters. The brokerage says the company's earnings are expected to rise 24% to 29% now that a rebuilding program is nearly completed. It notes that the company began a 1 million share buy back program in October. ("USA Today", 12/5)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

The prospect of peace in the Middle East has "taken a lot of luster off the dollar," says JOHN KREY, international economist at McCARTHY, CRISANTI & MAFFEI in New York. (WSJ, 12/5)

Fundamentals in the currency market mean the dollar will trend lower. "The overall trend is still intact. We haven't seen the worst for the dollar," says LOU RAPPAPORT, chief dealer at SOCIETE GENERALE in New York. (WSJ, 12/5)

"The Fed still needs to lower rates a good deal," says BRIAN FABBRI of MIDLAND MONTAGU. "I think they'll begin to do so following their next FOMC meeting, later on this month." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/4)

The reduction of reserve requirements "sets the stage for actually cutting rates," according to CHARLES LIEBERMAN of MANUFACTURERS HANOVER. Lieberman also sees the move as a demonstration of the Fed's willingness to support the banking system. BOSTON CO.'s ALLEN SINAI agrees, saying "It's a sign the Fed isn't going to let the banks go down the drain." ("Investor's Daily", 12/5)

LEONARD SANTOW at GRIGGS & SANTOW says the relaxation of bank reserve requirements yesterday by the Fed tells him that "they're going to take the [federal] funds rate down to 7 1/4% in the next couple of weeks and then probably 7% in January. That's all part of this overall situation." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/4)

"I thought the move [by the Fed] was a sensible step," says MICHAEL BOSKIN, chairman of the president's COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS. "It was a positive move," says COMMERCE UNDERSECRETARY MICHAEL DARBY. "There have been concerns about bank profitability and this should help. It lowers reserve requirements on banks, which act largely as a tax on banks." ("The Washington Post", 12/5)

"Whether they [banks] will be a little more bolder in their lending, I don't know, but they are sure more profitable and somewhat safer institutions today, particularly if they don't get more easy on their lending," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." The Fed's action "was an important move to shore up the banking system. ... It was a very significant move and it will have some effect. ... It reduces the depth of the recession and speeds recovery -- maybe not by a huge amount, but it does it and it's a harbinger of things to come. ... Today was a very bullish day in the cosmic scheme of things." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/4)

Reducing banks' reserve requirements is "a very well-timed and appropriate response," says LYLE GRAMLEY, a former Fed governor and chief economist for the MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION. "It sends a message to the banks that the Fed would encourage more lending." (WSJ, 12/5)

Banks are "going to now see wider profit margins between their cost of funds and their rates on loans they grant to borrowers," says MICHAEL MORAN, chief economist at DAIWA SECURITIES. "The profit margins, however, are not going to be much wider. It's going to be some widening out, but it's not going to be the dawning of a new day. It's not going to be an entirely different picture faced by commercial banks. Because of that, I would think the effect is not going to be altogether that large." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/5)

While most economists today are predicting that long-term rates will drop, GERT von der LINDE, chief economist at DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE, says Fed easing combined with a rising consumer price index will "spread fear of inflation - pushing the dollar down even further. I think you will see people selling long bonds - triggering a sharp upward spike in long-term rates." (WSJ, 12/5)

THE ECONOMY:

GERT von der LINDE, chief economist at DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE, is one of the few souls who says the economy is already in "a really steep recession." He says inflation has abated only for those who don't "eat, drive or heat their homes." His boldest claim is that the recession began in mid-1989, a fact that he says will proven by future government revisions of GNP growth. The tough downturn will continue for most of 1991. (WSJ, 12/5)

"The classic ingredients of a severe recession are missing," says PAUL BOLTZ, chief economist at T. ROWE PRICE. He notes that inventories are not critically overstocked, the dollar is weak and the Fed is not tightening. ("USA Today", 12/5)

"It's probably still too early to tell if the downturn will be long enough to classify as a recession," says COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISORS chairman MICHAEL BOSKIN. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/4)

"The economy was still growing through the third quarter, although slowly," says LYNN REASER of FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP. "October marked a major downshift in the economy." ("Investor's Daily", 12/5)

"Lowering the reserve requirements can ... stimulate the economy and give us a better shot at a rapid upturn in 1991," says MARTIN FELDSTEIN, former chairman of the COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISORS. In fact, with such a change, "we may avoid recession altogether," says Feldstein. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/4)

"Economic growth here is slowing much faster than assumed just a few weeks ago " says RANDELL MOORE, executive editor of "Blue Chip Economic Forecasts." "With job cuts cutting such a wide swath through the economy, people don't think they're safe any longer," says CYNTHIA LATTA at DRI/McGRAW HILL. "That's what's holding home sales down." ("USA Today", 12/5)

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#90339p0086 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Maxicare Health Plans Inc. emerged from Chapter 11 protection today, successfully completing its reorganization in only 21 months.

Maxicare's recovery comes at an excellent time. The managed health care market is expected to increase significantly throughout the 1990s.

"Our company is viable because we focused on the basics of arranging for accessible quality health care at a reasonable cost," stated Peter J. Ratican, chairman and chief executive officer of Maxicare. He pointed to the company's long-standing policy of contracting with quality-oriented medical providers, while having the flexibility to work with employers to shape the types of

health care coverage they need for the 1990s.

That strategy has already paid off for Maxicare which has signed many new 1991 contracts including Bank of America, GTE, The Motion Picture Industry Health and Pension Plans, Price Waterhouse, Sears and Stanford University.

"Maxicare is proving its flexibility in a rapidly changing market. More and more employers are becoming frustrated with the rapidly growing cost of health care and want traditional insurance product along with managed health care. Maxicare understands that and will provide those products in 1991 and beyond," emphasized Ratican.

Ratican thanked the many people who helped achieve the goal of successfully restructuring the company. He especially recognized and thanked the efforts of Maxicare's employees. In particular, he singled out the accomplishments of Eugene L. Froelich, Maxicare's chief financial officer as the chief architect of the company's financial restructuring.

"Like all successful businesses, we have been diligent about watching our expenses. In spite of the fact the company was in a downsizing environment, we were still able to achieve a reduction of company overhead to less than 12 percent in the third quarter. We also have kept our medical loss ratio at 85 percent, which is in line with industry standards" said Froelich.

Maxicare reported a profitable quarter in the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990. It was the first profitable quarter for the company in four years.

The Reorganization Plan was confirmed by the United States Bankruptcy Court in Santa Ana, Calif., on Aug. 31, 1990. Pursuant to the plan, creditors committees agreed to go effective with minimum cash of $75,150,000.

The payment of enrollee claims, administrative claims, convenience claims, secured and other priority claims will occur as soon as practicable under the plan. All other allowed claims will begin to receive cash and securities approximately 90 days from the effective date.

Maxicare Health Plans Inc. operates in seven states (California, Indiana, Illinois, Louisiana, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Wisconsin).

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MONTEREY, CA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Research Inc. announced a joint agreement with IBM in that Digital Research will continue to supply operating system and network software to IBM.

FlexOS was first released in 1985 and has an installed base of more than 400,000 users in numerous applications. A full-function operating system, FlexOS' modular architecture helps keep system size down, reduces cost of ownership and allows the developer to reconfigure the system with minimal downtime. Its real-time kernel and protected mode operation give FlexOS applications reliability advantages over platforms such as DOS, OS/2(TM) and UNIX(R).

The FlexNET(R) extension provides application transparent access to remote resources and virtual circuit services for reliable peer-to-peer communication.

Other networks supported by Digital Research with FlexNET include NETBIOS on ARCNET and TCP/IP on Ethernet. The new release of FlexNET allows a FlexOS node to use multiple networks simultaneously.

Complementary products to the FlexOS environment marketed by Digital Research are the X/GEM(R) graphics extension and FlexVIEW(TM) source level debugger. X/GEM gives developers multitasking graphics with the advantages of high-level windowing and device management function to produce graphics applications quickly and with a common user interface. FlexVIEW is a multiwindow debugger for programs written in C. FlexVIEW allows the programmer to watch the code as it executes, interact to control program operation, and locate bugs quickly and efficiently. FlexVIEW also supports multitasking and remote debugging which dramatically reduces the effort and time required to debug embedded applications.

FlexOS, FlexNET and X/GEM are available to application and system devleopers in self-hosted packages which run on standard PCs and PS/2s(TM). Development kits include loadable system software, DOS and UNIX-like utilities for file and code management, linker and librarian with shared run-time library and overlay support, POSIX library, and FlexVIEW debugger. Digital Research also supplies a C compiler. Third party products available for FlexOS include database management systems, editors, communications software and EPOS applications

Based in Monterey, Digital Research is a pioneering developer of premium operating system, development tools and graphics applications for a variety of platforms. The company has offices in the United Kingdom, Germany, France, Japan and the Pacific Rim.

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#90339p0107 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BASKING RIDGE, N.J. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T's Communications and Computer Products (C&CP) facility at Little Rock, Arkansas, has totally eliminated

emissions of chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) from its manufacturing processes at the plant, the company announced today.

From its CFC emissions of some 330,000 pounds in 1988, the C&CP facility has since reduced CFC emissions to zero.

CFCs are man-made compounds typically used for refrigeration, and in industry as solvents and cleaning agents.

"We're proud to be AT&T's first domestic factory to become CFC-free," said Larry S. Fetherman, AT&T's general manager at the C&CP facility. "When it became clear that CFCs were harmful, we immediately began to engineer them out of our processes, cutting our use more than in half the first year, and now eliminating them completely."

Fetherman credits a combination of engineering changes and technology advances for the elimination of CFCs at the plant.

"Our engineers eliminated the use of cleaning solvents from manufacturing processes where CFCs had been heavily used and introduced CFC-free substitutes for specialized operations," said Fetherman. "They also introduced new technologies that altered the plant's plating and soldering operations."

In addition, a computerized chemical tracking system was established to more quickly and accurately pinpoint and monitor all CFCs used in the plant's manufacturing operations.

An international treaty known as the Montreal Protocol has mandated that industry worldwide cut CFC production in half by year-end 1998 because of the destructive impact CFCs are having on the earth's stratospheric ozone layer. This original mandate has since been made more stringent, now requiring complete CFC phaseout by the year 2000.

AT&T pledged to cut CFC emissions at its manufacturing locations in half by year-end 1998 and to totally phase out their use by 1994, America's first electronics manufacturer to set such an aggressive target.

In addition to its pledge to reduce its own CFC use, AT&T will not accept from suppliers any packaging or packing materials manufactured using CFCs. AT&T is also requesting its components and equipment suppliers to phase out their use of CFCs on products the company purchases as soon as possible, but no later than 1994.

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#90339p0109 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARSON, Calif (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Infiniti Division of Nissan Motor Corp. in U.S.A. received an early Christmas present this month, capturing Popular Mechanics' 1991 Design & Engineering Award in the automotive category for its Q45 performance luxury sedan with Full-Active Suspension (FAS).

The award, established this year, recognizes excellence in design and engineering of new products in 19 categories, including automotive engineering home building/remodeling, equipment design, science, technology, aerospace, electronics and photography. Entries are solicited through an open nomination process and judged by the magazine's editors.

"The Infiniti Q45 with FAS represents breakthrough technology that we felt compelled to recognize," said Joe Oldham, editor of Popular Mechanics. "It is the first production care in the world to offer FAS, and the ride may be the smoothest available."

FAS provides a constant supply of energy to stabilize vehicle motion. It uses a sophisticated pump and hydraulic system which is controlled by two computers to provide a combination of smooth ride and excellent handling. The system replaces the car's normal shock absorbers and controls brake dive, acceleration squat, body roll and car leveling.

Infiniti adds Popular Mechanics' recognition to several other awards from the past year. Recent kudos include the Q45 with FAS being names to Road & Track's "10 Best Cars in the World" list (Nov. 1990) and Ward's Auto World's selection of the Q45 as best car in the world (June 1990). Recognition also came from the 1991 J.D. Power & Associates Sales Satisfaction Survey, where Infiniti placed second overall, just two points behind established leader Mercedes-Benz.

The Q45 model with FAS has a manufacturers' suggested retail price (MSRP) of $43,000. The base model Q45, offered at a MSRP of $39,000, is available with a touring package including Super HICAS four-wheel steering ($2,500), or Traction Control ($1,500).

Rounding out the 1991 Infiniti line is the new G20 entry-level mid-size luxury sedan, the M30 Luxury Sports Coupe and the new M30 Luxury Sports Convertible.

For more information about the 1991 Infiniti line, or for the nearest Infiniti dealership, consumers can call 1-800-522-0990.

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TORRANCE, CALIF. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Brands Paint Co. (NYSE: SBP) today reported sales and earnings for the third quarter of its fiscal year ending Jan. 27, 1991. Financials follow.

STANDARDS BRANDS PAINT CO.
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited)
(in thousands)

	Nine months ended		Three months ended	
	Oct. 28, 1990	Oct. 29, 1989	Oct. 28, 1990	Oct. 29, 1989
Net sales	$230,311	246,286	77,707	82,855
Costs and expenses				
Cost of sales	127,647	136,954	41,822	46,975
Selling, general and administrative expenses	91,129	89,228	30,173	29,611
Restructuring charge	4,700	---	---	---
Interest income	(1,214)	(1,821)	(357)	(628)
Interest expense	13,778	14,987	4,692	4,931
Other (income) expense	25	(1,143)	(2)	(353)
Earnings (loss) before income taxes and discontinued operations	(5,754)	8,801	1,379	2,319
Income tax provision (benefit)	(2,315)	3,152	538	905
Earnings (loss) before discontinued operations	(3,439)	4,929	841	1,414
Loss from discontinued operations less income tax benefit of $400	(600)	---	---	---
Net earnings (loss)	$(4,039)	4,929	841	1,414
Per common share:				
Earnings (loss) before discontinued operations	$(.82)	.65	.08	.18
Discontinued operations	(.10)	---	---	---
Total	$(.92)	.65	.08	.18

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#90339p0111 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORANGE, CALIF. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - VTN Corp. (NASDAQ: VTNC) today announced its 15th profitable quarter in a row. Earnings for its second

quarter ending Nov. 30, 1990, were $918,044 vs. $748,728 for the same quarter last year. Earnings per share for the quarter were $.07 vs. $.05 per share for the same quarter of last year. Revenues were $3,050,000 vs. $3,107,000 for the same quarter last year.

For the six months, VTN earned $930,592 vs. $1,308,000 for the first six months last year. Earnings were down due to a very weak first quarter; VTN has had to cut expenses to match the general economic difficulties in the domestic real estate marketplace. Revenues for the six months were $5,106,000 vs. $6,030,000 last year.

Daniel C. Montano, chairman of VTN, stated, "VTN made the necessary adjustments to cost to assure profitability from domestic operations. Now that VTN has signed its agreement with the Government of Senegal to develop a Master Planned Resort/Retirement Community on a 100,000-acre parcel of land, the second half of the fiscal year for VTN should be excellent. VTN earnings for the next three years should increase substantially."

VTN has offices in Orange, Los Angeles, San Diego, and Carlsbad, Calif.; Miami; Boston; Manila, Philippines, and soon to be opened Dakar, Senegal.

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#90339p0114 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAFOX, ILL. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Richardson Electronics, Ltd. (NASDAQ-NMS: RELL) announced today that it has entered into an administrative agreement with the U.S. Defense Logistics Agency (DLA). As a result, the DLA has lifted its suspension of the company's National Electronics Division from engaging in government contracting and government-approved subcontracting effective immediately.

The agreement provides that Richardson will reorganize its government business operations, will continue the implementation of its Ethics Code of Conduct and establish educational programs for its employees. The company has also agreed for a period of three years, to make certain of its books, records and other documents available to the DLA upon request, to file periodic reports with DLA and to report any suspected violations of federal law by employees to DLA.

The DLA will notify appropriate government agencies that the suspension of the national Electronics Division of Richardson Electronics has been removed.

Richardson Electronics, Ltd. is an international distributor and manufacturer of electron tubes and power semiconductors with 21 offices worldwide.

CONTACT: Edward J. Richardson, president and CEO of Richardson Electronics, 708-208-2200

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#90339p0116 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Citicorp (NYSE: CCI) announced it intends to redeem on Jan. 22, 1991, its $75 million of Series 5C auction preferred stock scheduled for auction today.

Citicorp previously announced redemptions of $275 million of auction preferred stock on Nov. 7 and $75 million on Nov. 19.

Citicorp will keep its options open concerning future auctions and whether it may call further amounts of its auction or remarketed preferred.

CONTACT: Amy Dates of Citicorp, 212-559-7608

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#90339p0119 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
WEST LONG BRANCH, NJ (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The creation of a Product Engineering group as a third service business of Electronic Associates, Inc. (NYSE: EA) was announced today by the company. EAI's other service businesses are contract manufacturing and field service. The appointment of Jack Budelman as general manager of product engineering was announced by Robert G. Finney, EAI president and chief executive officer.

Product Engineering will provide a wide range of design and engineering services to private industry and government agencies, Budelman said. "EAI is superbly equipped for private industry as well as government agencies," said Budelman. The product engineering group also will provide test design and producibility engineering services, he said.

"We have been doing this type of work for government agencies for more than 45 years," said Finney. "Now we will use that base of expertise to expand our design and engineering services business in the private sector."

In addition to its new business pursuits, Product Engineering will support EAI products currently in the field and supply products on a custom basis for existing simulation computers customers. Support will include hardware and software.

Budelman was president of Utilcom, Inc., a data systems consulting firm based in West Long Branch, for five years. He previously served more than 20 years with EAI in program management, systems engineering management, and customers services engineering. Budelman is a resident of Freehold.

EAI serves users and producers of electronic products and systems. In contract manufacturing, EAI provides manufacturing services for products designed and

marketed by customers. In field services, the company provides independent maintenance of electronic equipment.

CONTACT: Jack Budelman, general manager of product engineering of Electronic Associates, 201-229-1100 ext. 350.

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#90339p0122 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) today announced it has adopted policies to help safeguard consumers against fraud and abuses in the offering of 900 service programs.

900 service is a caller-paid long distance service that allows consumers and businesses to access information over the telephone.

These policies will allow MCI to identify and prevent misleading, fraudulent or deceptive 900 information programs and to protect consumers who may be susceptible to such activities. The company has established the policies in advance of offering nationwide commercial availability of MCI 900 Service on Jan. 1.

Key among the consumer safeguards are: pre-screening of programs and the advertising that support them to identify fraudulent or deceptive practices; strict guidelines governing the types of programs for which MCI will provide billing services; and an enhanced consumer complaint monitoring and tracking system.

MCI also pledged it would advocate consumer safeguards before regulatory and public policy bodies to require: call blocking of information programs if the call charges to consumers exceed required price cap-per-call levels; and general availability of mechanisms that allow call blocking from home telephones to 900 numbers at no charge, including the ability to block calls to selected 900 numbers, such as those designated for adults.

To assist with consumer complaints, MCI will track and record consumer complaints by information provider and name of program, as well as the type of complaint -- such as deceptive sales tactics or program content. Based on its review of complaints, MCI will take appropriate action, including immediate termination or suspension of billing services for the program.

The company said it has advised 900 program providers who use the MCI service of these consumer policies and has distributed copies of its billing service agreements outlining information programs and practices for which it will refuse or terminate these services. While these new policies go into effect on Jan. 1, the company has already begun enforcing its program guidelines.

CONTACT: MCI Communications Corporation, Corporate News Bureau,

1-800-289-0073, or 202-887-3000

-30- 2462

#90339p0126 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAGUNA NIGUEL, CALIF. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Optimumcare Corp. (NASDAQ: OPMC) which operates psychiatric care and chemical dependency programs nationwide, announced today a net loss of $148,446 or $.03 per share for the three-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a loss of $157,673 or $.03 per share for the same period last year.

Revenues for the period increased seven percent to $323,408 from $301,443 for the previous year's third quarter. Edward A. Johnson, OptimumCare's president indicated that net revenues were higher due to the increased number of operational programs. OptimumCare currently operates six programs at four separate facilities throughout the country, including two new programs established during the past quarter. Program expenses for the quarter also increased due to the start-up of these new units.

"We have gone through a maturing phase over the past year in which we reduced corporate staff and stepped up our marketing efforts. Those efforts have produced two new programs during the past quarter while reducing our general and administrative expenses by 36 percent. The majority of the loss shown for the quarter is related to a one-time $87,000 reserve against one account receivable," said Johnson.

Revenues for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $969,891 compared with $1,175,391 for the same period last year. OptimumCare reported a net loss of $437,423 or $.09 per share for the period versus a loss of $185,218 or $.03 per share for the same period last year.

"We remain committed to our goal of profitability," said Johnson. "Most of our programs that have been in operation for a year or more are at or near full occupancy and we are pleased with the growth of our newer programs. We are continuing our aggressive marketing and development efforts while strengthening existing programs with enhanced services."

OptimumCare Corp. establishes and markets in-patient programs for the treatment of psychiatric disorders and chemical dependencies at host health care facilities.

CONTACT: Edward A. Johnson, president of OptimumCare Corp., 714-495-1100; or Shannon Squyres of Corporate Relations Group (investors) 714-955-1860, for OptimumCare Corp.

-30- 2423

#90339p0128 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEWATER, N.J. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of National Starch and Chemical Company has elected James A. Kennedy, 53, president and chief executive officer effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Kennedy succeeds Nicholas G. Marotta, 61, who has been CEO since May 1985 and will continue as a member of the National Starch board of directors.

Kennedy, currently executive vice president and chief operating officer, joined National in 1962 and has held various positions in marketing, mergers and acquisitions, and international management. He was elected to the board of directors in 1985.

He is a graduate of Holy Cross College with an AB degree in economics and of Columbia University's Graduate School of Business with an MBA degree in finance and marketing. He has also served as a lecturer and guest speaker on various business subjects at Notre Dame University, New York University, Wake Forest University's Babcock School of Management, and the American Management Association.

Kennedy also serves as a director of Unilever United States, Inc., the National Association of Manufacturers, and the Corn Refiners Association.

National Starch and Chemical is a Unilever company with 1989 sales in excess of $1.5 billion. National is a worldwide manufacturer of specialty starches, adhesives and specialty chemicals and is recognized as a leader in technologies based on natural and synthetic polymer chemistry. Major industries around the world that make use of these products and technologies include the paper, food, packaging, corrugating, textile, furniture, construction, water treatment, oil well drilling, micro-circuitry, electronics pharmaceutical, cosmetics, appliance and transportation equipment industries.

CONTACT: Henry M. Barry of National Starch and Chemical Company, 201-685-5013

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#90339p0130 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of the British Petroleum Company p.l.c. intends to appoint James H. Ross as a managing director, effective April 8, 1991.

Ross, currently president and chief executive officer of BP America Inc., will become chairman and CEO of BP America and assume corporate responsibility for BP's activities in the Western Hemisphere, including the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Central and South America.

In addition, he will be responsible for BP's activities in Africa and the BP Group's corporate health, safety and environmental policies. He will continue to be based at BP America's headquarters in Cleveland.

Robert B. Horton, BP's chairman and CEO, said that the board's intention to appoint Ross to the BP board with responsibility for the Western Hemisphere reaffirms the importance of the U.S. in the future success of the company's four main businesses.

James Ross, 52, became president and CEO of BP America in March 1988, following a distinguished career at BP which began in 1959. In Cleveland, Ross is active in neighborhood development, educational reform, and support for the Cleveland Orchestra. He is married with three children and lives in Gates Mills, Ohio.

CONTACT: Vivian Davis of BP, 216-586-3794

-30- 1417

#90339p0131 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Pride Petroleum Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: PRDE) President and Chief Executive Officer, Ray H. Tolson, today announced that the company has completed the asset purchase of Valley Hyperclean, Inc., Bakersfield, Calif. Although terms of the transaction were not disclosed, Tolson said the purchase was made for cash and that related annual revenues are approximately $2.0 million.

Valley Hyperclean is an oilfield service firm which specializes in well bore cleaning and production enhancement. The company operates five hyperclean units and 33 filtration units. Valley Hyperclean's services expand Pride's well workover capabilities in the important California market where Pride is the largest well servicing contractor. The management and crews of Valley Hyperclean have joined the Pride organization.

Pride Petroleum Services, Inc., headquartered in Houston, is one of the largest well servicing contractors in the United States. The company currently operates 409 rigs from locations in East and West Texas, along the Texas/Louisiana Gulf Coast, in California and New Mexico.

CONTACT: Eugene C. Fowler, CFO of Pride Petroleum Services, 713-871-8567 or Pat Hoyt of Hoyt & Associates, 713-665-2549, for Pride Petroleum

-30- 1438

#90339p0132 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROWAYTON, CT (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Baldwin Technology Company, Inc. (AMEX: BLD) announced today that it has expanded its Stock Repurchase Program. The company has been authorized to repurchase additional shares of its Class A common stock at an aggregate purchase price not to exceed $1.5 million. To date, the company has spent a total of $1.8 million under the original program.

The company believes that the current market price of its Class A common stock makes it an attractive investment at this time. Dean Witter Reynolds will continue to act as the company's agent for the repurchase.

Baldwin Technology Company, Inc. is a leading multinational manufacturer of material handling, accessory, control and prepress equipment for the printing industry. For its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had net sales of approximately $47.9 million and net income of approximately $1.5 million. On Nov. 30, 1990, the company had 14,723,597 and 1,994,000 shares outstanding of its Class A and Class B common stock, respectively.

CONTACT: Helen P. Oster of Baldwin Technology, 203-838-7470

-30- 1259

#90339p0133 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVONIA, MI (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental, Inc. (Philadelphia Stock Exchange: COI - Preferred Stock) announced today that a regular dividend was declared by its board of directors for payment on Dec. 31, 1990, to record holders of its Senior Preferred Shares at the close of business on Dec. 17, 1990. The amount of the dividend to be paid will be $.50 per Senior Preferred Share.

Continental, Inc. is a Delaware corporation which through its subsidiaries, is primarily engaged in the photo processing and lease brokerage business.

CONTACT: Todd Pichette of Continental, Inc., 313-478-4100

-30- 778

#90339p0135 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, NC (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Firstcorp, Inc. (FCR) announced that Firstcorp has (i) on December 4, 1990 filed an application in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina for a Temporary Restraining Order in its favor against the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) and (ii) this morning filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code in response to a Temporary Order to Cease and Desist issued on Friday night, November 30, 1990 by the OTS.

The OTS order directs FCR immediately (i) to transfer its ownership interest in First Federal of Durham (FFD) to a subsidiary of First Federal of Raleigh (FFR), (ii) to cancel the capital note receivable from FFR and (iii) not to transfer, pledge or encumber any of its assets without OTS approval.

Prior to receiving the OTS Order, Company officials had been advised by officials of Wachovia Bank and Trust Company, NA, Trustee for FCR's 8 1/4 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2005 (Bonds), of its intention

to notify FCR of acceleration of the principal amount of the Bonds. On Monday December 3, 1990 the Company did in fact receive a Notice of Acceleration from Wachovia. The Company has been in default on the Bonds since June 30, 1990 when it failed to make the quarterly interest payment due.

Willard Ross, Acting President of FCR, said, "FCR found itself in a dilemma with competing obligations to the OTS and Bondholders. The Board regrets being forced to file for reorganization under Chapter 11; however, it was of the view that an independent third party was necessary to resolve the dilemma."

FCR's filing does not affect the operations of its subsidiary savings and loans. Mr. Ross said, "It's business as usual in our offices, and, of course, deposit accounts continue to be insured to $100,000."

Firstcorp is the parent Company of 1st Federal of Raleigh, 1st Federal of Durham and 1st Security of Pinehurst. Firstcorp's subsidiaries operate twenty-two full service offices in four counties in North Carolina which include the Research Triangle and Sandhills areas.

CONTACT: Willard G. Ross, Acting President and CEO, Firstcorp, Inc., 919-831-4200

-30- 2386

#90339p0136 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, ILL. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Official Airline Guides, the travel information company that maintains the schedules and processes fares of airlines worldwide, reported it processed 14.1 million domestic and international fare changes in November, setting a cumulative year total of 107.5 million changes. OAG's database contained 5.4 million domestic and 4.5 million international air fares in November.

The air fares were combined in November into 164,739 direct flight schedules which are listed in OAG's flight guides and Electronic Edition. OAG published more than 79,299 North American and 85,440 worldwide direct flight schedules. There were 343,543 changes made to flight schedules in November.

The activity at OAG in November is reflected in fares and schedules for December.

While the overall fare change activity in November is down, domestic changes remained high. The domestic fare changes were affected by a recent tax increase and fare wars, and continue to change at rates five times the pre-Kuwait activity.

Official Airline Guides provides computer tapes reflecting combined schedules to airlines, and also integrates air fares into schedule information. OAG is a Maxwell Macmillan Group Company.

CONTACT: Sally McElwreath of Official Airline Guides, 212-702-3850

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#90339p0137 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUDERTON, PA. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrill S. Moyer, chairman of Univest Corporation of Pennsylvania (OTC), Souderton, announced that the corporation will pay a regular quarterly dividend of $.23 per share plus an extra cash dividend of $.23 per share.

The total cash dividend of $.46 per share will be paid on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 7, 1990.

"In a time when the entire financial industry is facing economic and regulatory concerns which affect the performance of all companies, Univest is fortunate to be able to pay a regular cash dividend as well as an extra dividend," said Moyer. "We are grateful for our dedicated team of employees and loyal shareholders who have helped Univest to succeed in its marketplace and increase its assets to over $732 million."

Univest Corp., whose principal subsidiaries are Union National Bank and Pennview Savings Bank, PaSA, serves the financial needs of businesses and individuals throughout upper Montgomery and Bucks counties.

CONTACT: Sue Wall of Univest Corporation of Pennsylvania, 215-721-2400

-30- 1249

#90339p0138 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Golden Oil Company (NASDAQ: GOCO) and Cobb Resources Corporation (NASDAQ: COBB) announced today that Golden and Cobb have entered into a definitive agreement and plan of merger and an option for Golden to acquire additional shares of Cobb common stock.

The merger and the related transactions were unanimously approved by the boards of directors of both Cobb (with the Golden-designated directors abstaining) and Golden. In the merger each outstanding share of Cobb common stock not owned by Golden will be converted into 0.68 of a share of Golden common stock. This exchange ratio is subject to upward adjustment in the event of consummation of a sale of Cobb's mining properties for cash or cash equivalents in excess of $350,000 prior to the consummation of the merger. The merger is designed to provide for a tax-free exchange for the Cobb shareholders. In connection with their approval of the transaction, the board of directors of Cobb received from the independent investment banking firm of Boettcher & Company, a division of Kemper Securities Group, Inc., a written opinion confirming the fairness of the transaction, from a financial point of view, to the shareholders of Cobb.

The members of the Cobb board of directors have agreed to vote their own shares in favor of the merger and to recommend that the Cobb shareholders approve the merger. The shareholders of Cobb will be asked to approve the transaction at a meeting of shareholders pursuant to a proxy statement to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in the near future.

Cobb and Golden also announced the acquisition by Golden of an option to acquire up to 1,250,000 additional shares of common stock of Cobb in exchange for producing oil and gas properties of Golden at a price based on independently determined reserve values. Prior to the grant of this option, Golden beneficially owned 2,208,359 shares, or 32.8 percent of Cobb's common stock.

CONTACT: Darryl L. Emmert of Golden Oil, 713-622-8492; or George O. Lotspeich of Cobb Resources, 505-265-2622; or Clement J. Wyle, 212-838-6716, for Golden Oil

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#90339p0139 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD BEACH, FLA. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Devcon International Corp. (NASDAQ: DEVC) yesterday declared a quarterly cash dividend of five cents per share payable January 18, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 21, 1990.

Donald L. Smith Jr., chairman and president of the heavy construction and concrete and related materials company, said, "This board action reflects the company's healthy cash flow and brings the indicated annual payout to 20 cents per share." In 1990, Devcon initiated cash dividends and paid a total of 15 cents per share.

Approximately 4,296,000 common shares are currently outstanding. Devcon operates ready-mix concrete, aggregate, concrete block and bulk cement facilities; dredges harbors; builds golf courses and performs other heavy construction work in the Caribbean. Principal operations are on St. Thomas and St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands, on the independent island nations of Antigua and Dominica, on St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles, and on Tortola, British Virgin Islands. In Florida, where the company is headquartered, Devcon constructs golf courses and prepares sites for shopping malls, residential developments and industrial parks.

CONTACT: Richard L. Hornsby, executive vice president of Devcon International Corp., 305-429-1500; or Investor Relations Consultants, 813-796-1452, for Devcon International Corp.

-30- 1594

#90339p0140 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines today announced it will begin service to Minneapolis/St. Paul and San Antonio from Atlanta on Jan. 31, 1991. The carrier said it will operate three daily round trip flights between each of the cities, as well as a fourth flight from San Antonio to New York's LaGuardia Airport, via Houston.

"These cities are strong business markets," said David B. Kunstler, senior vice president-planning. "With the current emphasis on our new first class service and Corporate Rates, these markets are logical additions to our Atlanta hub."

Eastern will offer an introductory fare of $99 each way, based upon round trip purchase, for travel between the new cities and points east of the Mississippi River, from Jan. 31 through Feb. 28. A seven day advance purchase and Saturday night stay are required. All Eastern tickets are fully refundable with no penalty for change.

Also effective Jan. 31, Eastern will expand its service between Atlanta and Houston, Dallas/Fort Worth, Savannah, Indianapolis and Charlotte with an additional daily round trip flight in each market.

The carrier also said it will suspend service to Roanoke, Va. on Jan. 31. The airline began service to Roanoke earlier this year as part of a five-city Atlanta feeder expansion which included Houston's Hobby Airport, Dallas/Fort Worth, Harrisburg and Islip. "Traffic in Roanoke simply hasn't lived up to expectations. We ended up battling four-for-five with our new service -- and that's reasonable in any league," remarked Kunstler. Eastern reports the other four cities have met or exceeded passenger boarding projections.

Eastern will operate the new service with DC-9 aircraft. The carrier currently operates approximately 800 daily flights to some 80 cities.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, 305-873-3773, or 305-873-6360

-30- 2074

#90339p0143 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - With the largest circulation of any Pittsburgh business publication, Allegheny Business News (ABN) is planning to grow even bigger with a program of changes that include staff, editorial, and re-designed look, according to new publisher Holly Hicks-Opperman.

Hicks-Opperman, former publisher of the Pittsburgh Business Times, also announced a new advertising campaign designed to get the news out. "'You Need to Know What's In Here' is our new slogan spawned from our mission to strive to put people into our reporting of smart small and mid-sized businesses,"

says Hicks-Opperman. "And we will break a multi-media ad campaign for the first time beginning in January 1991 that should make this evident," she added.

But while ABN feels strongly about positioning itself in the business community and creating broader awareness, the paper has first made some significant modifications in its product and operations. Most dramatic, the paper will introduce a new look as it goes from a monthly to a bi-weekly publication in March 1991.

ABN also continues its move toward an in-house written publication as editor Scott Robertson recently brought Andrew Wilson on board as a full-time staff reporter, to be followed by another full-time reporter in January.

"The paper exists to serve the information needs of our audience...and we will do this by providing the reader both useful soft news like Business Book Bestsellers and Book Review which will debut this month in ABN, as well as the hard news we all need," says Robertson.

Allegheny Business News already boasts the largest ABC audited circulation (27,500) of any business publication in Pittsburgh and is now conducting its first readership survey designed to provide a better idea of who exactly is reading the paper.

Top-level management in small to mid-sized businesses with the authority to purchase business-to-business products are targeted for the research which will begin in January with final results available in late March.

This research, the beefing-up of editorial, the future new look and frequency of issue, aggressive promotions, all led by a new publisher at the helm, have Allegheny Business News banking that readers need to know what's in here, according to a spokesman.

Allegheny Business News is published by Associated Business Publications Inc., with headquarter offices at 471 Lincoln Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15202.

CONTACT: Holly Hicks-Opperman, publisher of Allegheny Business News, (412) 734-2300.

-30- 2741

#90339p0153 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOCA RATON, FLA. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Cascade International, Inc. (NASDAQ: KOSM) today reports that the directors have declared a six percent stock dividend payable on Jan. 15, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

This marks the fourth straight year that Cascade International, Inc. has declared a stock dividend to its shareholders.

Cascade International, Inc., operating through wholly owned subsidiaries under the names J.B.'s Boutiques, Boutiques Diana, Boutiques Allison and Jean Cosmetics, is a diversified retailer of high echelon cosmetics, designer fragrances, skin care products and of fashionable women's apparel.

CONTACT: Kerrie Kane of Cascade International, Inc., 407-338-8278

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#90339p0155 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LINDEN, N.J. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Shortly after British and French workmen toasted each other last week 130 feet below the seabed of the English Channel and almost 14 miles from the Dover coastline, the employees of a high-technology company from Linden, N.J. -- General Magnaplate Corporation (NASDAQ: GMCC) -- did the same. The toasts marked the successful Anglo-French linkup of the two sections of the awesome $15 billion English Channel Tunnel -- the "Chunnel" as it is called. General Magnaplate shared in the glory because without its highly sophisticated treatments of surfaces on many parts on the two gigantic laser-guided boring machines, the feat might not have been possible.

The 27 foot high boring machines, built by the Robbins Company of Kent, Wash. are continually subjected to high concentrations of corrosive salt air, mist and spray. These would ordinarily corrode the steel machines in short order. Robbins knew that conventional protective metal coatings such as chrome and cadmium plating would not do the job. So Robbins turned to General Magnaplate.

The company applied a specialized NEDOX synergistic coating to the parts, a coating that combines the advantages of autocatalytic plating with the controlled infusion of low-friction polymers and custom- tailored dry lubricants. The coating, applied to over 375 parts of each boring machine, not only protects the steel against the corrosive attack of sea water and salt spray, but also hardens the steel to fight abrasive wear while providing a permanent dry-lubricated surface. A NEDOX coating as thin as .001" shows little or no corrosion after 14 continuous months of exposure to salt water and salt spray. It cannot chip, peel, or be rubbed off. And its dry-lubricated surface also aids in maintenance, facilitating disassembly and reassembly of the borers' complex components.

"This is exactly the kind of surface enhancement challenge we like to tackle," says Dr. Charles P. Covino, CEO of General Magnaplate. "It's the kind of major project that helps us grow at a pace we like to see. And it's also an example of our major mission improving the performance and lifespan of metal parts while using a minimum of critically scarce strategic metals to do it. Among other advantages, our processes conserve supplies of scarce strategic minerals for those applications where no viable substitutes have yet been developed. Whether in outer space (for which we developed these coatings) or below the earth, or anywhere on its surface -- domestically or internationally -- that's

what we're striving to do."

"We cut our teeth on the metallurgical challenges of the American space program," says Covino, founder and chairman of the 38-year-old surface enhancement company that has contributed specialized metallurgical coatings to every NASA program to date.

With seven operating units in the United States and Canada and six offshore licensees applying General Magnaplate surface enhancement processes, the challenge of helping to execute the first dry-land linkup of Britain and the Continent since the Ice Age was a natural extension of the company's efforts. "Our focus today is literally worldwide. Once we'd conquered outer space it was only natural to challenge a part of Europe's inner space," says Covino.

In this case, "inner space" meant tunneling through 65' to 100' thick chalk marl beds for 10 miles from France and 14 miles from England -- the longest continuous drives ever accomplished by tunneling machines. The project is also the largest privately financed construction project ever undertaken. And it is a job where Covino knew his coatings would perform.

General Magnaplate recently announced its financial results for fiscal 1990 showing, among other things, that its gross revenues reached a record level of $10.3 million, a 6.2 percent increase over the previous year.

CONTACT: Candida Aversenti of General Magnaplate, 201-862-6200

-30- 4199

#90339p0157 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHAPEL HILL, NC (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - J. Allen Fine, President of Investors Title Company (NASDAQ-NMS: ITIC) announced that the company's Board of Directors has declared a cash dividend of $.01 per share to shareholders of record Dec. 3, 1990, payable Dec. 14, 1990. This brings the total dividends paid this year to $.04 per share.

Investors Title Company is a publicly-held company whose stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System (Symbol ITIC). The company's two title insurance subsidiaries operate in the States of North Carolina, South Carolina Virginia, Illinois, New York, Florida, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Tennessee, Oklahoma, and Louisiana.

Another subsidiary, Investors Title Exchange Corporation provides assistance to attorneys and certified public accountants in structuring delayed tax-free exchanges for their clients.

CONTACT: Glenda H. Oxendine, Investors Title Company, (919) 968-2200.

-30- 1095
#90339p0159 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
TORONTO (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Varity Corporation (NYSE: VAT) declared regular quarterly dividends of U.S. $0.325 per share on Class I Series A preferred shares and Cdn. $0.40625 per share on Class II Series A preferred shares, payable Jan. 31, 1991, to holders of record as of the close of business Jan. 18, 1991.

CONTACT: J. R. Nowling of Varity Corporation, 416-593-3773

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#90339p0160 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
WYOMISSING, PA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - VF Corporation (NYSE: VFC) and Health-tex Inc. today announced that an agreement in principle has been reached whereby VF will acquire substantially all of the operating assets of Health-tex and will continue such operations. A spokesperson for the parties stated the intent was to conclude the negotiations quickly and close the transaction as soon as possible, but not later than the end of the year.

Health-tex is one of the leading manufacturers and marketers of high quality, moderately-priced children's apparel sold through leading department and specialty stores nationwide under the Health-tex and Brittania brand name.

VF Corporation is the world's largest publicly owned apparel company and is a leader in the jeanswear, sportswear/activewear, intimate apparel and occupational apparel markets. Its principal brands are Lee, Wrangler, Rustler Girbaud, Bassett-Walker, Jantzen, JanSport, Vanity Fair, Vassarette, Modern Globe, Red Kap and Big Ben.

CONTACT: Jerry Johnson of VF, 215-378-1151.

-30- 1222
#90339p0163 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
BURLINGTON, NC (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: EDIT EDITW) reported today that it has received pre-market clearance from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for its EZ-Screen: Barbiturates test for detection of the use of barbiturates.

The EZ-Screen: Barbiturates test is an easy-to-use, on-site screening test that detects barbiturates or their metabolites in urine. The company will market this test along with its EZ-Screen drugs of abuse tests for cannabinoids (marijuana), cocaine (crack) and opiates (heroin) which are already being sold both domestically and internationally.

James D. Skinner, EDI President and Chief Executive Officer, said, "Environmental Diagnostics continues to reinforce its position as a major

supplier of on-site drugs of abuse tests. The company has now received FDA clearance for EZ-Screen tests for four of the most commonly abused substances. EDI will shortly be submitting an application to the FDA for the EZ-Screen: Amphetamines test thus providing the company with a product line that meets the needs of most law enforcement agencies."

Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. develops and manufactures human clinical, drugs of abuse and agricultural diagnostics specifically designed for on-site testing by non-technical personnel.

The company's Conventional Biodiagnostic Products are used by government agencies, researchers, clinical testing laboratories, and other companies for clinical and veterinary testing. The company's EZ-Screen products provide the accuracy of laboratory results in minutes.

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JACKSON, MI (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - After launching an environmental initiative one year ago at its key electric generating plants, Consumers Power Company employees, working with several conservation organizations, have created a biological field station, planted walleye fingerlings, helped raise Sichuan pheasants, built bat and birdhouses, and constructed nature trails.

"Consumers Power employees can look back with pride on the substantial progress made in enhancing the environment and creating wildlife habitat at our generating plants," said Gordon L. Heins, the utility's senior vice president of energy supply. "This initiative has produced specific results and has furthered Consumers Power's ongoing relationship with conservation organizations," said Heins.

The utility has worked with The Nature Conservancy, local school systems, local Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, the Michigan Wildlife Habitat Foundation and other state and national conservation organizations to implement the program. The following environmental accomplishments were achieved by the utility's employees in the past year:

J.H. CAMPBELL PLANT, PIGEON LAKE, WEST OF GRAND RAPIDS:

- Creation of a Biological Field Station encompassing 175 acres, in partnership with Hope College, the Holland Audubon Society and the West Michigan Wetlands Foundation. Dedicated as an educational preserve, the area includes upland and lowland forests and adjoining wetlands.

- In cooperation with The Nature Conservancy, a national land- enrollment environmental organization, a 110-acre ecologically rich barrier dune has been

included in the Michigan Natural Areas Registry.

- Wood duck and bluebird boxes, a bat house, and osprey nesting platforms were installed.

B.C. COBB PLANT, MUSKEGON:

- Completion of a 200-nest-box project for wood ducks on the utility's right-of-way adjacent to the plant. Assisting with the project were the Michigan Wildlife Habitat Foundation, the Lakeshore Chapter of Michigan Duck Hunters Association, St. Charles High School and Saginaw Valley Waterfowlers.

- 30 bluebird houses were installed with the Muskegon High School Conservation Club.

- Planting of trees and shrubs to enhance Muskegon's Veteran Park. D.E. Karn-J. C. Weadock Plant, near Bay City:

- Construction of an educational River's End Nature Trail, with consultation provided by several Saginaw Bay-area environmental groups, including the Chippewa Nature Center, Garber High School and local Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops.

- Planted more than 5,000 walleye fingerlings as part of first-year operation of a rearing pond, developed with the Saginaw Bay Walleye Club and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

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MENASHA, WIS. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Banta Corporation (NASDAQ: BNTA) yesterday declared a dividend of $.14 per common share payable Jan. 31, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 18, 1991.

Banta Corporation is one of the nation's leading graphic arts companies, offering diverse printing and graphic services. It serves publishers of educational and general books, special- interest magazines, consumer and business catalogs, and direct marketing materials. Its other businesses offer prepress services, multimedia and software packages, point-of-purchase materials and single-use products. Banta Corporation stock is included in the NASDAQ national Market List and the symbol is BNTA.

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LANSING, MICH. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard A. Lund, president of Cade Industries (NASDAQ-NMS: CADE), announced today that its Lansing- based subsidiary, Auto-Air has been awarded contracts for engine test equipment totaling $2.1 million from three worldwide aerospace companies.

-- MDS Aero Support Services of Ottawa, Canada, has placed an order of $1.0 million for the manufacture of engine test equipment. The end user will be Royal Air Moroc in Casablanca, Morocco. This will enable Royal Air to test General Electric CFM56-3C, Pratt & Whitney 2037 and Allison T56 engines in a new facility being erected in Morocco.

-- General Electric Company, Evandale, Ohio, has ordered new test equipment for the CFM56-3 engine. The order, valued at $0.5 million, will be shipped to Thai International Airlines in Bangkok, Thailand. This is the second order in recent months for shipment to Thailand.

-- Pratt & Whitney Aircraft, East Hartford, Conn., has placed an order for test bellmouth assemblies for use on the PW4000 Growth engines. This order, valued at $0.6 million, covers six units for shipment in mid-1991. This is the largest test bellmouth ever produced by Auto Air. The engine will be used in Airbus A330 and Boeing 777 aircraft.

In announcing these contracts, Lund said, "This further establishes Cade's ongoing growth and strength in aerospace advanced composite technology, both domestically and in international markets."

Cade Industries plays a major worldwide role in design, development and manufacture of high-technology composite components for the aerospace and air transport industries.

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BASKING RIDGE, NJ (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) will offer special low rates on direct-dialed calls to 177 countries Dec. 8 and 9.

Special rates apply on calls to almost all parts of the world from all parts of the United States.

"AT&T completed more international calls this year than any other and we wanted to thank people for using AT&T," said Frank Ianna, AT&T vice president international marketing.

Throughout the two-day weekend, AT&T's economy rate will apply to calls to

every country that can be dialed directly. The economy rate is the lowest rate offered to callers who are not part of a calling plan, such as the AT&T Reach Out(R) World plan.

The special weekend rates apply for calls from all parts of the United States, including Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

AT&T's extension of direct-dial service to 10 additional countries in November makes this the most extensive international calling offer in the company's history.

In the past year, AT&T offered discount calling to all direct-dialed countries on Valentine's Day and for a two-day celebration of the reopening of Ellis Island in September.

AT&T has offered similar discounts on calls to France for Bastille Day, to the United Kingdom on Remembrance Day, to Canada on Canadian Thanksgiving, to the Philippines on Philippines Independence Day, to Mexico on Mexican Independence Day, to Australia on Australia Day, to Korea for Chusok, to Japan for Keiro No Hi, to Hong Kong and Taiwan for the Mid-Autumn festival, to Italy for Columbus Day, and to Ireland on St. Patrick's Day.

Reach Out World plan subscribers will continue to receive their current plan prices during the promotion.

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ARLINGTON, VA. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - CACI International Inc (NASDAQ: CACIA), confirms that it received a letter from the LHN Group, Inc. which was considered by the board of directors.

The board restated its position that CACI is not for sale and has communicated this information to the LHN Group.

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WESTBURY, NY (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - General DataComm Industries, Inc. (NYSE: GDC) and American Telephone & Telegraph (AT&T) (NYSE: T) today announced that they have been selected by Westbury, N.Y.-based LEX Electronics to update and enhance its private data communications network.

LEX is purchasing digital transmission equipment from General DataComm, and is obtaining digital transmission services from AT&T. In addition, LEX will purchase GDC's training and program management services.

The new system, which was designed jointly by GDC, AT&T and LEX, will connect LEX's 56 offices nationwide with its Westbury headquarters. Data such as order processing, inventory status and customer service information will be transmitted more quickly and reliably over the new network.

"This network will provide outstanding assistance to our sales and support functions, resulting in superior service to our customers," said Dennis Turner director of corporate telecommunications for LEX. "It will also provide flexibility for continuous improvements as technology and tariffs change, and allow us a platform from which global business opportunities can be established."

According to Turner, the LEX network will support GDC multiplexers at the Westbury hub and at 11 regional sites. The regional locations will be connected to LEX's remote offices by digital data sets with dial restoral.

The entire network will be controlled by MegaView, GDC's centralized network management system, and will offer a high degree of reliability. For disaster recovery capability, AT&T is providing digital access over a high-speed circuit, whereby all locations and remote offices can be switched to a standby multiplexer at a designated recovery site.

"We are certainly very pleased," said Ross A. Belson, president and chief operating officer of General DataComm, "that our expertise at network design, and our outstanding networking products and services, are helping LEX realize its business goals while creating a strong and flexible network that generates a closer partnership between LEX and its customers."

"Giving LEX the network support and design expertise that will enable them to provide excellent service for their customers is AT&T's objective in creating these systems," said AT&T sales vice president, H. David Bearden.

General DataComm is a leading provider of systems, solutions, equipment and services for information networks worldwide. In its fiscal year ended Sept. 30 1990, the company reported revenues of $202 million.

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DANBURY, CT (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Huels A.G. of Marl, Federal Republic of Germany, has selected the Unipol PE process for use in its planned new 120,000 tons-per-year polyethylene plant. Scheduled for completion in 1993, the plant will produce a full range of high-density polyethylene products.

Announcement of the selection of the Union Carbide (NYSE: UK) process was made jointly today by Dr. Hans K. Felger, president of Huels Thermoplast Division, and Roger B. Staub, president of the Polyolefins Division of Union Carbide Chemicals and Plastics Company Inc.

Felger said, "We chose the Unipol process for our new polyethylene project because this process offers, besides attractive economics, the capability to produce both our established, successful product range as well as new specialty resins for the markets of the future."

This marks Huels' second Unipol process license, the company having earlier selected the Union Carbide/Shell Oil (USA) Unipol PP process for use in its new polypropylene plant currently under construction at Gelsenkirchen-Scholven.

"Huels' choice of the Unipol process for polyethylene is particularly gratifying to us because Huels, in its confidence in our technology, is prepared to base its entire polyolefins strategic direction on Unipol," Staub said.

A member of the VEBA group, Huels is Germany's fifth largest chemical company. It ranks among the most important suppliers of chemical base materials, detergent raw materials, fine chemicals, solvents, paint and lacquer raw materials, plastics, plasticizers, and synthetic rubbers. It has polyethylene manufacturing facilities at Scholven, Federal Republic of Germany.

Huels becomes the 34th licensee of the Unipol PE process and boosts total Unipol process licensee announced capacity in operation or under construction to nearly 5.8 million tons annually worldwide.

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MONTREAL (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Seagram Company Ltd. (NYSE: VO) today reported that net income for the third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, was $189 million, or $2.01 per share, compared with $170 million, or $1.77 per share, in the previous year.

Operating income for the 1990 quarter was $190 million, an increase of 15.2 percent from $165 million in the comparable 1989 quarter. Sales for the third quarter rose 9.2 percent to $1.5 billion from $1.4 billion in the 1989 quarter.

For the nine months, Seagram net income was $581 million, or $6.16 per share, compared with $565 million, or $5.84 per share, in the 1989 period. Operating income for the nine-month period advanced 16 percent to $499 million from $430 million a year earlier. Sales for the nine months grew 7.8 percent to $4.2 billion from $3.9 billion last year.

Net income, operating income and sales figures are all records for their respective periods.

Edgar Bronfman Jr., president and chief operating officer, said: "Several factors contributed to Seagram's third-quarter performance. Seagram International produced strong sales growth, aided by currency translations, and registered operating income advances with Seagram Europe and Seagram Global Markets Group showing particular strength. Tropicana's operating income benefited from lower orange juice costs."

The Seagram Company Ltd. is a leading producer and marketer of distilled spirits, wines, coolers, fruit juices and soft drinks. The company's brands include Chivas Regal and The Glenlivet Scotch Whiskies, Crown Royal and Seagram's V.O. Canadian Whiskies, Seagram's 7 Crown Blended Whiskey, Seagram's Extra Dry Gin, Martell Cognacs, Mumm and Perrier-Jouet Champagnes, Sandeman Ports and Sherries, Barton & Guestier (B&G) Wines, Sterling Vineyards Wines, Seagram's Coolers, Tropicana Pure Premium Orange Juice and Tropicana Twisters.

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BOSTON (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - An environmental group today publicized the merits of a Raytheon Company (NYSE: RTN) effort to eliminate during 1992 its use of two chemicals that destroy the ozone layer. Raytheon described its plan at a press conference held with MASSPIRG, six months after MASSPIRG had called upon Raytheon to set a 1993 deadline for phasing out ozone-destroying chemicals.

"Raytheon's plan shows that where top management has the will, there's a way to stop using chemicals that endanger the ozone layer and public health," said Hillel Gray, toxics policy analyst at MASSPIRG. "Moreover, factory workers and neighbors can breathe easier because Raytheon is rejecting the use of chlorinated substitutes that may pose cancer risks."

"We are on a fast track to find an environmentally safe way to produce advanced electronic equipment," said Jack Pasquariello, Raytheon vice president of manufacturing and environmental quality. "Eliminating ozone depleters is one important element in a comprehensive companywide pollution prevention program."

Continued destruction of the earth's ozone layer, according to the EPA, may sharply increase rates of skin cancer death and eye disease, and damage crops and marine life. MASSPIRG had ranked Raytheon as the largest source in Massachusetts in 1989 of ozone-destroying CFC-113 and methyl chloroform, based on corporate reporting under the federal Community Right-to-Know law.

"We've reduced emissions of these two chemicals by more than 40 percent since 1987 and are now pushing hard to eliminate them completely," said Pasquariello. "We want to be first in product innovation, not ozone depletion."

The goal of Raytheon's new business plan is to eliminate during 1992 both CFC-113 and methyl chloroform from its printed circuit board operations in five states. Raytheon uses the chemicals to clean about 750,000 printed circuit boards annually. A task force of 36 engineers will identify the one or two best prospects for substitution and set up an internal test site by early 1991.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association's (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) Office of Housing Policy Research today announced that it has published its first issue of the Journal of Housing Research.

"The journal is designed to provide an outlet for theoretical and empirical research on a broad range of housing issues, including housing policy, home mortgage finance, and international housing finance," said Jim Carr, Fannie Mae's vice president for housing policy research. The first issue features a special series of eight articles titled "Mortgage Markets in the Year 2000."

Issues include how major demographic and economic trends will affect growth in mortgage originations, the likely composition of mortgage instruments in the year 2000, and the potential for growth in the use of pass-through securities.

Also included in the Journal of Housing Research are two announcements: a call for papers on the topic of homeownership affordability; and, a request for proposals for a comparative analysis of housing finance arrangements in both Europe and the United States.

The Journal of Housing Research is the second of two new housing journals being published by the Office of Housing Policy Research. The first journal, Housing Policy Debate was released earlier this Fall. Future issues of the Journal of Housing Research will emphasize theoretical models, empirical applications, and statistical analysis which will complement the policy

research presented in Housing Policy Debate.

The Office of Housing Policy Research was created to provide thoughtful and insightful literature on a broad range of housing issues. The office is aided in its work by an independent advisory board consisting of many of the nation's premier housing policy and housing finance experts.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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MCLEAN, VA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - PRC Inc. (formerly Planning Research Corporation and Advanced Technology, Inc.), a subsidiary of The Black and Decker Corporation (NYSE: BDK), announced today that Bob Laurence has been appointed president of its commercial and international operations.

The new commercial group will be responsible for leading PRC's expansion into the fast-growing commercial and international systems and services markets. PRC's Commercial Systems Group will consolidate the company's existing commercial businesses, which will generate $150 million in sales this year.

Laurence was formerly president and founder of Oracle Complex Systems Corporation, the systems integration subsidiary of Oracle Systems Corporation. During his 2-1/2 years with Oracle Complex Systems Corporation, the business grew from a start-up to a well-respected member of the systems integration community. Oracle Complex Systems Corporation is active in all of the federal commercial and international markets for information systems. Prior to founding Oracle Complex Systems, he was president of Systemhouse Federal Systems.

Laurence is also an active member of Adapso, the software and systems integration services trade association, where he was recently elected vice chairman of the board. He was active in the formation of Adapso's systems integration division.

In his new role at PRC, Laurence will report to Gary Kennedy, president and chief executive officer of PRC Inc. Kennedy was named president and CEO on Nov. 29, 1990, having formerly served as president of Oracle USA.

PRC is currently among the largest systems integration companies in the world, according to market research firm G2 Research. PRC's technology base, skills and 8,400 people worldwide give it a strong position to service medium and large corporations through a variety of information technology applications such as document imaging systems, application development, facilities

management, networking and data base integration.

PRC employs about 8,400 employees and generates annual revenues of approximately $700 million.

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BOISE, IDAHO (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Boise Cascade Corp. (NYSE: BCC) today announced that it has begun making marketable paper on a new world-class paper machine at its pulp and paper mill in International Falls, Minn.

The new 345-inch-trim machine, the centerpiece of the mill's $535 million modernization and expansion project, is designed to be the largest and fastest uncoated white paper machine in the world. Stretching nearly two football fields in length, it's capable of producing more than 860 tons of uncoated white paper a day, more than doubling the mill's previous production capacity.

"The successful start-up of this new machine is a major milestone in Boise Cascade's efforts to achieve two of the five high-priority objectives we spelled out in our Blueprint for the '90s strategy," said John B. Fery, Boise Cascade chairman of the board and chief executive officer. "The two objectives are to focus our growth on our white paper business and to invest capital to achieve world-class status in our pulp and paper facilities."

The project has brought significant environmental improvements as well. These environmental benefits are best illustrated by the start-up in October of the project's new $50 million bleach plant. The technology used in the new bleach plant substantially reduces the use of chlorine, traditionally used in the bleaching process to whiten paper and give it other characteristics demanded by customers.

This reduced use of chlorine will help further reduce the minuscule amounts of dioxin the mill discharges, an amount which has already been reduced to less than one-hundredth of an ounce per year. The technology used in the new bleach plant reduces the formation of chloroform by approximately 90 percent and reduces air emissions of chlorine and chlorine dioxide by over 90 percent.

Boise Cascade Corp. is an integrated forest products company headquartered in Boise, Idaho, with operations located primarily in the United States and Canada. The company manufactures and distributes paper and paper products, office products, and building products and owns and manages timberland to support these operations.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Western Company of North America (NYSE: WSN) announced today, that it will make several key organization changes in its pressure pumping business. In announcing the new reporting relationships and promotions, to become effective Jan. 1, 1991, Chairman and CEO Sheldon Erikson said, "Such moves will further strengthen our operation to assure continuing responsiveness to the needs of our customers in the rapidly growing areas of the company's pressure pumping business."

Steve English, currently vice president and western division manager based in Dallas, will move to Houston to fill the newly created position of vice president, operations, reporting to Erikson. Forrest Duff vice president, northern division, and Bob Adams vice president, southern division, will report to English. Randal Jones, who is currently district manager in Midland will replace English as vice president of the western division, and will also report to English.

Jay Merritt, western division sales vice president in Midland, will move to Houston to become vice president, sales, for Western Petroleum Services and will report to Gene Hodge, the WPS vice president of sales and marketing. Also, Bill Lehner, sales vice president of the southern division, and Bill Fagan, northern division sales vice president, will report to Merritt. Rick Hayley, sales manager in Midland, becomes vice president, sales, for the western division replacing Merritt and will also report to Merritt.

Western Petroleum Services' current director of manufacturing, Dalton Thomas, will assume the additional responsibility for purchasing and distribution reporting directly to Erikson.

The Western Company of North America is an oilfield service company providing pressure pumping services through Western Petroleum Services and Western Petroleum Services International Company and contract drilling services worldwide through Western Oceanic, Inc. Pressure pumping principally involves the acidizing, fracturing and cementing of oil and gas wells. Offshore contract drilling services are provided with a fleet of 13 mobile rigs.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways today reported that scheduled passenger traffic last month was down 6.1 percent compared with the same month a year ago, from 2.075 billion revenue passenger miles to 1.949

billion.

Load factor increased 1.3 points, from 57.7 percent last year to 59 percent this year, with available seat miles down 8.2 percent, from 3.594 billion to 3.301 billion.

Traffic statistics include Pan American World Airways' operations only, and do not include the Pan Am Shuttle or Pan Am Express flights. The 1989 statistics have been restated to exclude November traffic operated in the Internal German Service, which was transferred to Lufthansa at the end of October this year.

Latin American RPMs increased 16.9 percent, ASMs were up 7.3 percent, and load factor increased 5.3 points, from 59.3 percent, to 64.6 percent.

In U.S. domestic markets, RPMs were down 11.7 percent, ASMs were down 15.5 percent, and load factor increased 2.5 points, from 56.5 percent to 59.0 percent.

Atlantic RPMs were down 12 percent, ASMs were down 10.1 percent, and load factor decreased 1.2 points, from 57.8 percent to 56.6 percent.

Scheduled freight ton miles were down 22.7 percent, from 63.1 million to 48.8 million.

Year to Date For the first 11 months of the year, scheduled passenger traffic was up 7.7 percent, from 26.451 billion RPMs to 28.499 billion. Scheduled capacity was up 4.4 percent, from 41.468 billion to 43.294 billion. Load factor, at 65.8 percent, was up 2 points from 63.8 percent last year.

Scheduled freight ton miles were down 2.8 percent, from 672.1 million to 653.1 million.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Barry Ackerley, chairman and chief executive officer of Ackerley Communications Inc. (AMEX: AK), announced today that the company will withdraw its application for a National Hockey League (NHL) expansion team. However, the company will still make a presentation on behalf of the city of Seattle at the National Hockey League meeting scheduled to take place this morning in Palm Beach, Fla.

The company will withdraw the application because no ownership group has stepped forward to demonstrate the financial wherewithal to meet the requirements of the NHL. A franchise fee of $50 million has been set by the NHL, with a $5 million down payment due in December. Mr. Ackerley had agreed

to be a minority owner in the expansion team if it would help the city of Seattle to be awarded such a franchise.

"Because no ownership group has materialized, we have no choice but to withdraw our application," said Bill Lear, senior vice president of The First National Bank of Chicago, who was retained by Ackerley Communications Inc. to put together an investment group and who will formally withdraw the application at the NHL meeting.

Mr. Ackerley also stated that Bill Ackerley, executive in charge of the New Seattle Arena, will represent the city of Seattle at the NHL meeting. "We want the league to know that Seattle will be a viable contender for future expansions. We're ready to embrace the NHL and we have a facility that can accommodate them, but the reality of having a team is just not going to happen as soon as we had hoped given the lack of a viable ownership group," said Bill Ackerley. The second round of NHL expansion will tentatively take place in 1993-1994.

Ackerley Communications is building a state-of-the-art, privately financed $100 million arena in Seattle which would house the Seattle Supersonics, and would be used primarily for sports and family events, as well as concerts. The building is being designed to accommodate hockey. Ground breaking is scheduled to take place in the fall of 1991.

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MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Brookfield Development Inc. and RETA Minneapolis Inc. and RETA Chicago Inc. are pleased to announce the selection of The Hahn Company to manage Gaviidae Common and Chicago Place. The Hahn Company will perform all leasing, marketing and property management functions concerning these urban-based shopping complexes. The appointment is effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Gaviidae Common is a five-level, 123,000-square-foot project anchored by Saks Fifth Avenue. Chicago Place is an eight-level, 170,000-square-foot project also anchored by Saks Fifth Avenue.

The second phase of Gaviidae Common, now under construction, will also be included under this management agreement in the near future. This project, currently named 555 Nicollet, includes approximately 40 specialty shop locations and the new Neiman Marcus store and is scheduled for completion in August of 1991.

The Hahn Company is a subsidiary of Trizec Corporation Ltd. which is an affiliate of Carena Developments Limited of Toronto, Canada. Brookfield

Development Inc. is managed by Carena Developments Limited.

The Hahn Company owns and/or manages 52 centers in 17 states nationwide, totalling more than 38 million square feet. The Hahn Company has developed and operates such award-winning properties as the internationally renowned Horton Plaza in downtown San Diego.

Employees currently working on these properties will become employees of The Hahn Company, assuring that the high level of professional service already established at the centers will continue.

Carena Developments Limited is a major diversified real estate development company with $13.6 billion of assets, comprised largely of rental properties concentrated in major urban centers in the United States and Canada. Carena's assets are held directly and through its major affiliates which include Trizec Corporation, Bramalea Limited, Coscan Development Corporation and Consolidated Carma Corporation.

The properties located in Brookfield's Midwest/Mountain Region include: the under-construction Dain Bosworth Plaza and 555 Nicollet, IDS Center, Minneapolis City Center, the Marquette Hotel, Gaviidae Common, Dain Tower and Thorpe Building in Minneapolis; St. Paul Center, Meritor Tower and North Central Life Tower in St. Paul, Minn.; Chicago Place and Quaker Tower in Chicago; Republic Plaza and The World Trade Center (Bank Western and Dekalb Energy Tower) in Denver.

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HARRISBURG, PA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Harsco Corp. (NYSE: HSC) announced today that its BMY-Combat Systems Division (BMY-CSD), York, Pa., has been awarded a $6.3 million contract by the U.S. Army to provide Integrated Logistics Support (ILS) for the M109 A6 Howitzer Improvement Program (HIP).

In September of this year, Harsco won the HIP contract itself which entails the major modernization of 44 M109 howitzers; deliveries are to begin in mid-1992. Total value of that contract is $74 million; a follow-on contract for additional units is anticipated next year.

Operational readiness and maintenance of complex combat systems relies heavily upon the ILS function. Consisting of various elements to include precisely detailed manuals and supply data, the function is critical to the deployability of combat equipment, such as the new M109 A6 upgrade. Award of the ILS contract is a reflection of Harsco's commitment to HIP and BMY-CSD's thorough knowledge of both the program itself and the M109 howitzer. The

division has produced the howitzer since 1974. The newly awarded ILS responsibility is to be carried on concurrently with HIP production and is expected to be completed by mid- 1992.

Harsco Corp. is a diversified, international, industrial company headquartered in Camp Hill, Pa. The company's 12 divisions provide products and services for defense, industrial, commercial and construction applications from more than 270 facilities in 32 states and 14 countries.

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COLUMBIA, MD. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Essex Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ESEX) announced today the appointment of Jeffrey R. Lapides as vice president, commercial products.

Dr. Lapides has both a management and scientific background. He held a variety of positions including president at Alleco, Inc., formerly a national commercial services firm. He also held the position of president of its largest subsidiary, Service America, a national food service firm, prior to its divestiture. After leaving Alleco, Dr. Lapides was involved in educational publishing ventures.

Dr. Lapides received his bachelor of arts degree from Clark University and his master of science degree and doctorate degree in physics from the University of Maryland at College Park. He has held research positions both at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center and the National Institutes of Health.

Essex has recently created a Commercial Products Division to advance its commercial efforts in publishing, psychological testing, systems integration, and optical computing. Essex Corporation provides training, support services and information systems to government and industry and manufactures digital-optical systems and processors.

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FRESNO, Calif (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Gottschalks Inc. (NYSE: GOT) announced that November 1990 sales increased 41.7 percent to $34.1 million from $24.0 million for the prior November. Same store sales for the November period increased 25.1 percent. For the 43-week 1990 period to date, total sales increased 27.3 percent to $213.4 million from $167.6 million for the year earlier 43-week period. Same store sales on a year-to-date basis increased

12.5 percent over the prior year.

"Our strong November sales gains were fueled both by a change in a promotional event and by the continued economic strength in our market areas," stated Robert Lawson, Gottschalks' Chief Financial Officer. "The change in promotional event to November from December resulted from a change in the retail calendar and increased November sales by approximately $4.5 million. Without the event change, total November sales would have increased 23 percent with same store sales increasing 10.6 percent."

Joe Levy, Gottschalks' chairman and chief executive officer stated, "The strong double digit increase in same store sales is particularly pleasing since we were against same store sales increases of 10 percent from last November. These sales results certainly provide a strong basis for our optimism that the 1990 Christmas selling season will be very successful for Gottschalks," added Levy.

Sales results are summarized as follows:

	Dec. 1, 1990	Nov. 25, 1989	Total increase (percent)	Same store sales increase (percent)
Sales, four weeks ended	$ 34,081	$24,045	41.7	25.1
Sales, 43 weeks ended	$213,372	$167,621	27.3	12.5

Gottschalks is a regional department store chain, currently operating 22 department stores and 34 specialty apparel stores in the Central Valley and Central Coast areas of California. Gottschalks offers moderately to upper moderately priced brand-name fashion merchandise, and is in its 86th year of continuous family management.

CONTACT: Robert Lawson of Gottschalks Inc., 209-485-1111.

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SOUTHFIELD, MI (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Lear Seating Corporation's sales for the first five months of its 1991 fiscal year totaled a record $449.5 million, an increase of 13 percent over the first five months of fiscal 1990, according to Kenneth L. Way, chairman.

Sales for the five-month period a year ago totaled $398.6 million. Lear also disclosed that its new Swedish subsidiary, Lear Seating Sweden, AB, will supply all of SAAB's finished seating requirements starting in January, 1991.

Richard G. Williams, managing director of Lear Sweden, said the new Lear

Facility at Trollhattan, SAAB's home plant, will produce 500 car sets of seats daily for an annual output of 100,000 cars. Williams also is vice president of Lear's European "Just In Time" delivery operations for major car manufacturers. He said Lear is staffed to support continued growth in Europe.

Lear, headquartered in Southfield, is the largest independent seating supplier with 32 facilities worldwide and over 10,500 employees. Sales in its fiscal year ending June 30 were $1,068,000,000.

CONTACT: Tony De Lorenzo of Hill & Knowlton, 313-644-9150, for Lear Seating Corporation

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#90339p0219 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WAYNE, IND. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas C. Griffith, chairman and chief executive officer of Lincoln Foodservice Products, Inc. (NASDAQ: LINN) announced today that in accordance with his previous agreement with Lincoln's board, he will be retiring from his position with the company at the end of 1990. He will, however, continue to be a member of the board of directors.

"I had a specific set of goals when I assumed my responsibilities 18 months ago," said Griffith. "I believe I have achieved my goals and feel confident that the company is on the right track and under the right leadership going forward."

William A. Thomas, currently president and chief operating officer of Lincoln, has been elected by Lincoln's board of directors to succeed Griffith as chairman and CEO and retain the title of president.

"Tom Griffith has made substantial contributions as our chairman and as a director of Lincoln. We are gratified that we will still have his counsel and guidance as a board member," said Thomas.

Thomas has been with Lincoln Foodservice for 18 years. He was named a director in 1988 and named president and COO in May 1989 and prior to that served as executive vice president, Operations. Thomas joined Lincoln in November 1972 as manager of Manufacturing and was named vice president - Manufacturing in April 1973. In April 1984, his responsibilities were expanded to include Human Resources. Thomas was first employed by Alcoa in 1953 and served in various managerial capacities including industrial engineering and plant management from 1953 to 1972.

Lincoln Foodservice Products, Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets commercial institutional foodservice cooking equipment and utensils. The company, which produces Impinger(R) conveyor ovens, Steam'r Oven(R) combi-cookers, WearEver(R) and Centurion(R) foodservice utensils, Redco(R) food slicers, cutters, and wedgers, Galley(R) food serving equipment, and

Fresh-O-Matic(R) food warmers, markets its products internationally through its own sales force and a network of 1,500 distributors worldwide.

CONTACT: David O. Cole, vice president of Lincoln Foodservice Products, 219-432-9511

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ORLANDO, FLA. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Major Realty Corporation (NASDAQ: MAJR) announced today Tamanda Corporation, a Chicago-based investor in real estate for the London-based Allied-Lyons Pension Fund, has filed a 13D, increasing Allied's Major Realty holdings to 6.46 percent or 445,370 shares.

Geoffrey Button, an officer of Tamanda, is a director on the board of Major Realty.

CONTACT: Ann M. Hawker of Major Realty Corporation, 407-351-1111

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#90339p0226 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHERRY HILL, N.J. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - SAI Group Inc. (OTC) announced today that its merger with Proteq International Marketing B.V., a wholly owned subsidiary of Proteq Verzekeringen Beheer N.V., has been completed as planned.

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#90339p0229 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DULUTH, GA. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Wegener Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: WGNR) today announced a net loss of $(2,649,000) or $(0.36) per share for the year ended Aug. 31, 1990, compared to earnings of $1,146,000 or $0.15 per share for the year ended Sept. 1, 1989.

For the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, net loss was $(1,533,000), or $(0.21) per share compared to $(63,000), or $(0.01) per share for the three months ended Sept. 1, 1989. The results for the three and 12 months ended Aug. 31, 1990, include pre-tax charges of $777,000 and $1,837,000 respectively related to provisions for inventory rework and obsolescence, warranty, and bad debt expense. In addition, based upon the Company's performance in fiscal 1990 and the expectation of lower revenues at Wegener Communications Inc. (WCI) in fiscal 1991, a restructuring charge of $500,000 was accrued in WCI's fourth quarter of fiscal 1990. This action is designed to lower the Company's operating and overhead costs.

Revenues were $27,609,000 for the year ended Aug. 31, 1990, compared to

$30,422,000 for the year ended Sept. 1, 1989. Revenues were $6,252,000 for the three months ended Aug. 31, 1990, compared to $6,296,000 for the three months ended Sept. 1, 1989. The Company has two wholly owned subsidiaries, Wegener Communications Inc. and Telecrafter Services Corp. (TSC). WCI's revenues for the three and 12 month periods ended Aug. 31, 1990, were $4,622,000 and $20,255,000 compared to $3,309,000 and $18,209,000 for the three and 12 month periods ended Sept. 1, 1989. TSC's revenues for the three and 12 month periods ended Aug. 31, 1990, were $1,630,000 and $7,354,000 compared to $2,987,000 and $12,213,000 for the three and 12 month periods ended Sept. 1, 1989. The Company's and TSC's revenue decreases for the year ended Aug. 31, 1990, are due primarily to the economic slowdown that is being experienced in the cable television industry. This slowdown, which has been caused by uncertainty over the regulation of rates and by tightening in the credit markets, is expected to continue at least through the first half of fiscal 1991.

The increase in the Company's net loss for the fourth quarter and the year ended Aug. 31, 1990, was caused by several factors. WCI continued to experience low margins on its DBS products. During the fourth quarter and year ended Aug. 31, 1990, the inventory reserve was increased by $185,000 and $435,000, the warranty reserve was increased by $250,000 and $370,000, the reserve for bad debts was increased by $80,000 and $445,000, and the corporate notes receivable reserve was increased by $238,000 and $528,000, respectively. Also, during the fourth quarter, the Company accrued the aforementioned restructuring charge of $500,000. TSC's gross margin percentage has improved in fiscal 1990 compared to fiscal 1989; however, operating profit dropped considerably due to the sharp decrease in revenues. The high manufacturing costs associated with WCI's DBS products and the slowdown in TSC's service business is expected to continue to impact the revenues and earnings of the Company in fiscal 1991. Primary factors in determining the future growth and profitability of the Company will be the volume of new orders, lowering of operating and overhead costs, as well as the successful implementation of the Total Quality Commitment and Just In Time manufacturing programs.

During the fourth quarter, WCI continued deliveries of the recently introduced Series 1800 Addressable Video Receivers to Sportscom. This product has been well received in the marketplace. Sportscom controls the distribution of its seven sports networks to local cable television systems. The addressability of WCI's video receivers allows Sportscom to honor event blackouts and to manage program distribution on a system by system basis.

WCI will begin delivery of the newest addition to its DBS product line, the Series 1900 DBS Audio Receiver, in the third quarter of fiscal 1991. The Series 1900 is a second generation satellite receiver incorporating the performance and many of the features of the Series 1800 Receiver at a reduced cost.

The international demand for WCI products is growing rapidly. This increased

demand is due to the changing European business climate as well as the direct broadcast industry which has standardized on WCI audio distribution technology. This standardization creates continuous requirements for WCI transmission equipment for transmit sites and also stimulates WCI's licensing program. Well-known consumer electronics manufacturers such as NEC, Toshiba and Sanyo participate in the licensing program whereby they incorporate WCI audio processing circuitry in their European direct satellite broadcast receivers.

Wegener Corp., through its wholly owned subsidiaries, designs and manufactures equipment for the business broadcast, data communications and broadcast radio and television industries. It is also a major supplier of both products and services to the cable television industry.

WEGENER CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Summarized Statements of Operations Data
(in $000s except for per-share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	3 mos. ended		12 mos. ended	
	8/31/90	9/1/89	8/31/90	9/1/89
Revenues	$ 6,252	$ 6,296	$ 27,609	$ 30,422
Earnings (loss) before cumulative effect of a change in acct. method	$ (1,533)	$ (63)	$ (2,649)	$ 1,480
Cumulative effect of a change in acct. method	$ --	$ --	$ --	$ (334)
Net earnings (loss)	$ (1,533)	$ (63)	$ (2,649)	$ 1,146
Earnings (loss) per share: Earnings (loss) before cumulative effect of a change in acct. method	$ (0.21)	$ (0.01)	$ (0.36)	$ .20
Cumulative effect of a change in acct. method	$ --	$ --	$ --	$ (0.05)
Net earnings (loss) per share	$ (0.21)	$ (0.01)	$ (0.36)	$ 0.15
Wtd. avg. no. of shares outstanding	7,251,058	7,408,214	7,308,225	7,429,457

CONTACT: C. Troy Woodbury Jr., treasurer and chief financial officer of Wegener Corp., 404-623-0096

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DALLAS (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Atmos Energy Corporation (NYSE: ATO) today

announced that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission to issue 600,000 additional shares of common stock. The company currently has approximately 6.1 million shares outstanding.

Underwriters for the issue are Stephens Inc. and Edward D. Jones & Co., said James Purser, Atmos executive vice president and chief financial officer. The company will use the proceeds to pay down short- term debt and for general corporate purposes.

Atmos Energy Corporation provides natural gas service to more than one-half million customers in Texas, Louisiana, and Kentucky through its operating companies -- Energas Company, Trans Louisiana Gas Company and Western Kentucky Gas Company.

CONTACT: Margaret Watson, for media, 214-450-4050; or Jack Eversull, for investors, 214-788-3729, of Atmos Energy Corporation.

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#90339p0231 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWALK, CT (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Trans-Lux Corporation (AMEX: TLX) announced today that the company's board of directors authorized payment of a quarterly cash dividend, on Jan. 10, 1991, to all stockholders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 20, 1990.

Holders of common stock will receive three cents per share and holders of Class B stock will receive 2-7/10 cents per share.

Trans-Lux Corporation has two operating divisions. The communications division designs, leases, sells, and services large-scale LED information displays, credit terminals, facsimile equipment and teleprinters. The entertainment division operates a chain of theaters in the Southwest and other theatrical properties.

CONTACT: Victor Liss of Trans-Lux, (203) 853-4321.

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#90339p0234 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Dwight D. Opperman, president and CEO of the West Publishing Company, and Dr. Roger K. Summit, president and CEO of Dialog Information Services, Inc. have announced a new way to access information from Dialog.

Beginning in early 1991, a new transparent interface designed by the two companies will enable WestLaw subscribers to locate individual Dialog databases through the WestLaw directory and access these databases using familiar WestLaw logic and commands.

According to Opperman, "In recent years, law firms, corporate legal departments, and other users of computer-assisted legal research have found it increasingly important to access news, business, technical, and other information in addition to traditional legal research.

Accessing these materials through Dialog, the world's largest source of online information, will enable legal professionals to increase their efficiency and service to their clients."

WestLaw subscribers will need to know only familiar WestLaw commands to search Dialog. They will even be able to use West's EZ ACCESS, a menu-driven approach that will help them select the right Dialog database and to formulate a query that will run in both WestLaw and Dialog databases.

"This alliance will make us an even more formidable force in the CALR (computer-assisted legal research) market than we are today," commented Dr. Summit. "WestLaw subscribers will now be able to use a single, powerful research system to access the world's largest collection of online information in conjunction with their legal research on WestLaw."

Under the new arrangement, over 140 Dialog databases will be available on WestLaw in early 1991. These files will contain business and financial data, scientific and technical material, intellectual property registration data, and general news and information. Additional Dialog databases will be added monthly.

The existing gateway between WestLaw and Dialog, available since 1987, will be maintained. Through this gateway, all 380 Dialog databases can be accessed using Dialog search language. West Publishing Company is the nation's premier publisher of legal information and supplier of WestLaw.

CONTACT: Dorothy Molstad of West Publishing, (612) 228-2475; or Kathie Mulvey of Dialog Information Services, (415) 858-3711.

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#90339p0241 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CORAL GABLES, FLA. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - BankUnited Savings Bank, (NASDAQ-NMS: BKUN), a publicly owned financial institution serving both coasts of Florida, has reported the highest net earnings in its history and other record results for fiscal 1990.

BankUnited reported net earnings of $803,404 ($.65 per share) on total income of $20,515,748 for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, a 22 percent gain over its net earings of $657,664 ($.62 per share) on total income of $16,255,356 for fiscal 1989.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, BankUnited reported net earnings of $228,957 ($.17 per share) on total income of $5,434,955, compared to net earnings of $83,375 ($.06 per share) on total income of $4,739,681 for the same quarter of 1989.

The fiscal 1990 results established several records for BankUnited. In addition to the 22 percent increase in net earnings, net interest income rose 50 percent to $4.2 million, total assets rose 10 percent to $220 million, deposits rose 16 percent to $189 million, loan portfolio rose 15 percent to $162 million, and stockholders' equity rose 28 percent to $12.6 million.

In announcing the annual earnings, Alfred R. Camner, chairman and president of BankUnited, stated, "Our capital ratios are far in excess of the regulatory requirements, and will support important growth in the years ahead. Our tangible capital is 5.7 percent vs. 1.5 percent required; our core capital is 5.7 percent vs. 3 percent required; and our risk-based capital is 13.9 percent vs. 6.4 percent required.

"However, our most important achievement may not be in our latest financial numbers. It was our decision to focus on private banking as BankUnited's niche in the highly specialized delivery of banking services to professional, executive and small business customers. We made a commitment to provide a more personal relationship to our customers which led to establishing and staffing a private banking division.

"As for the financials, our management team is elated by the results we are reporting today. We achieved significant gains in all important areas, and our delinquent loans are substantially below the industry average. We opened our seventh branch banking office in Delray Beach and moved our corporate headquarters and new private banking division to more elaborate quarters in Coral Gables."

BankUnited operates seven banking offices in Florida: Bonita Springs, Venice and Bradenton on the west coast; and Coral Gables, Tamarac, Coral Springs and Delray Beach on the east coast. It is a publicly owned financial institution traded on the NASDAQ national market system under the symbol BKUNA.

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#90339p0245 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, CO (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - RE/MAX International, Inc., the residential real estate firm here, has recently sold a franchise in Fargo, N.D. and is now represented in all 50 states, as well as in each of Canada's provinces, today announced Dave Liniger, co-founder, chairman, and chief

executive officer of RE/MAX.

"We are delighted by this development," said Liniger. "Our real estate network can now service the needs of all Americans and Canadians - whatever their respective state or province. And service from RE/MAX is second to none.

"We anticipate that, no later than the end of 1991, RE/MAX will become king of the hill, overtaking Century 21, our main competitor. And that's a position that our dedication and quality of service will never permit us to abandon."

As a result of the Fargo franchise, RE/MAX expects to have at least 32,000 sales associates by the end of 1991. This represents an increase of almost 4,000 over the current figure of 27,660.

RE/MAX - the nation's second largest residential real estate firm, and the largest in Canada - provides a variety of services, including relocation, insurance, referral, and asset management. The firm was founded by Dave and Gail Liniger in 1973.

CONTACT: Scott Tangney or Clarence George of Lobsenz-Stevens, (212) 684-6300, for RE/MAX International.

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#90339p0249 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Alliant Techsystems Inc. (NYSE: ATK) today announced that it has received a contract for the fabrication, loading and testing of a variety of Explosively Formed Penetrator (EFP) Warheads. Over a three-year period, the contract has a potential value of $14.5 million. Contract work will be done at Alliant Techsystems' test facilities in Elk River, Minn.

The contract, awarded by the U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Center (ARDEC), has as its objective the successful demonstration of new EFP concepts to be incorporated in future anti- armor munitions. Alliant Techsystems' work will include design and fabrication of parts from various materials, explosive loading and extensive testing for the collection of engineering data.

Alliant Techsystems supplies high-quality precision armament, ordnance, marine and information storage systems to the U.S. government and allies. In 1989, the company had revenues of $1.3 billion and net income of $42 million. Headquartered in Minnesota, Alliant Techsystems employs 7,800 people.

CONTACT: Howard J. Schlaifer of Alliant Techsystems, 612-931-4694

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#90339p0252 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CULVER CITY, CALIF. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Advancing its position as a complete publishing systems supplier, Information International Inc. (NASDAQ: IINT) (triple-I) has announced its PostScript Interpreter, which processes images in Adobe Systems' PostScript page description language, now supports the Open Prepress Interface (OPI) specification. This product enhancement provides triple-I customers with an automated, seamless integration of high-resolution graphics and bendays, both black and white and color, into pages constructed on a Macintosh or PC/PC clone based front-end system.

OPI provides an optimized link to high-resolution halftones and bendays, which combines the strengths of computer publishing and triple-I's advanced prepress technology. OPI processing is available to any front-end layout program, such as Aldus PageMaker or Quark Xpress, which generates Adobe Red Book-compliant PostScript files and supports the OPI standard.

During publication production, a grayscale TIFF image for screen display is generated from the high-resolution triple-I electronic photo image. The image may be captured by triple-I's InfoSCAN Laser Scanner or Infoscan CCD Scanner. Alternatively, triple-I's GRAFIX Connection may be used to generate the appropriate electronic image from a range of industry-standard illustration formats, such as DDES or Scitex Handshake. During PostScript file processing using OPI, the low-resolution grayscale TIFF images are automatically replaced by their corresponding fully compensated high-resolution triple-I halftones.

Information International Inc. designs, manufactures, markets, and services computer-based systems that automate prepress production in newspaper, magazine, technical, financial, directory, and catalog publishing.

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#90339p0253 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwest Airlines Co. (NYSE: LUV) announced today that its November 1990 traffic increased 8.9 percent to 816.2 million revenue passenger miles (RPMs) from the 1989 level of 749.5 million RPMs. Available seat miles (ASMs) increased 11.7 percent to 1,389.7 million from the November 1989 level of 1,243.8 million. The load factor for the month was 58.7 percent, down 1.6 points from last year's load factor of 60.3 percent.

For the first 11 months of 1990, Southwest flew 9,205.9 million RPMs, compared with 8,577.8 million RPMs recorded for the same period in 1989, an increase of 7.3 percent. Available seat miles increased 10.8 percent to 15,050.5 million

from the 1989 year-to-date level of 13,585.1 million. The 1990 year-to-date load factor was 61.2 percent, compared to 63.1 percent for the same period last year, a decrease of 3.1 points.

Herbert D. Kelleher, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Southwest Airlines Co. stated, "Our November traffic results were generally in line with our expectations. The modest drop in load factor of 1.6 points to 58.7 percent was expected due to the softening domestic economy and large increase in aircraft capacity that has occurred in the industry during fourth quarter 1990.

"At present, bookings for December 1990 travel are soft, as compared to last year, and our traffic outlook is more pessimistic than it was for October and November."

CONTACT: Gary C. Kelly of Southwest Airlines, 214-904-4363

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#90339p0257 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Florida Rock Industries, Inc. (AMEX: FRK) today announced the board of directors declared the regular semiannual dividend. It also announced its results for the fourth quarter and year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The board of directors declared the semiannual dividend of $.25 per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991 to stockholders of record on Dec. 19, 1990.

Fiscal 1990 was a difficult year for Florida Rock Industries, Inc. as weak construction markets resulted in lower sales and profits.

FOURTH QUARTER RESULTS Sales and gross profit decreased to $93,152,000 from $106,239,000 and to $14,814,000 from $20,998,000, respectively, from the same period last year. Net income decreased to $3,900,000 from $7,219,000 for the same period last year. Earnings per share were $.42, down from $.78 last year.

The sales decrease was primarily attributable to weak construction markets. Profit and profit margins declined both as a result of lower sales and plant write offs due to certain plant closings in the fourth quarter.

FULL YEAR RESULTS Sales for fiscal 1990 were $390,546,000 down 7 percent from $420,447,000 in fiscal 1989. The decrease in sales was due to weakening construction markets throughout the year and the erosion of selling prices in some markets due to competitive pressures.

Gross profit declined 15 percent to $65,771,000 from $77,523,000 as profit margins were lower due to lower volumes and selling prices, under absorbed

fixed costs, termination expenses from staff reductions, plant write-offs due to certain plant closings in the fourth quarter, and increased insurance expense.

Income before income taxes was down 28 percent to $25,093,000 from $34,913,000. Net income was $17,100,000 or $1.86 per share, which was a 27 percent decrease from fiscal 1989's net income of $23,302,000 or $2.53 per share.

Florida Rock Industries, Inc. is a Southeastern construction materials company concentrating in construction aggregates and concrete products.

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#90339p0259 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. (AMEX: TDS) has declared a fourth quarter dividend of $0.07 per share on outstanding Common and Series A Common shares.

This dividend is an increase of 7.7 percent over the fourth quarter 1989 dividend. The dividend is payable Dec. 28, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990.

LeRoy T. Carlson, TDS chairman, stated, "Your dividend reflects the excellent operating performance of our telephone, cellular and paging segments and continuing growth in earnings from telephone operations."

TDS's wholly owned subsidiary, TDS Telecommunications Corporation ("TDS Telecom") has experienced exceptional growth in customers, revenues and earnings during the first nine months of 1990.

At Sept. 30, 1990, TDS Telecom served more than 277,000 access lines in 27 states, including four telephone company acquisitions completed this year. TDS Telecom's revenues increased 16.2 percent on an 8.0 percent increase in access lines while operating income rose 28.9 percent to $46.4 million for the first nine months of 1990.

United States Cellular Corporation (AMEX: USM) is TDS's 86.1 percent owned cellular telephone subsidiary. At Sept. 30, 1990, USM and TDS own or have the right to own 12.2 million population equivalents in 77 MSAs and 69 RSAs.

At that date, cellular systems owned and managed by USM served approximately 60,800 cellular telephones of which 48,700 are included in USM's consolidated revenues and expenses.

USM's revenues increased 62.7 percent on a 60.7 percent increase in consolidated cellular telephones while its operating loss improved 47.6 percent to $5.7 million during the first nine months of 1990.

American Paging, Inc. ("API"), TDS's wholly owned subsidiary operates 30 paging systems in 17 states and the District of Columbia. API has added 30,800 pagers to its customer base during 1990, increasing the number of pagers it serves to approximately 192,400.

API's revenues increased 19.3 percent on a 24.2 percent increase in pagers served while its operating loss improved 16.5 percent to $4.5 million during the first nine months of 1990.

TDS is a diversified Chicago-based communications service company with established local telephone operations and developing cellular telephone and radio paging operations. TDS builds value for its shareowners by providing excellent communications services in attractive, closely related segments of the telecommunications industry.

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#90339p0261 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Occidental Petroleum Corporation (NYSE: OXY) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Damascus Petroleum Limited, and Syrian Petroleum Company, the Syrian national oil company, have signed a production sharing agreement for the 1.7 million acre Al-Nabk Block located in southwestern Syria. The Al-Nabk Block lies immediately to the north of the 2.8 million acre Bosra Block acquired by an Occidental group in 1988.

Occidental, with a 100 percent interest, will conduct a 1,000 kilometer seismic program and drill four wells within the first three years.

In announcing the award, Dr. Armand Hammer, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "This block has excellent potential for major reserves. Discoveries to the north of our block in a similar geologic setting have been made and we look forward to being successful."

CONTACT: Frank Ashley of Occidental Petroleum Corp., 213-443-6592

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#90339p0265 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Wean Industries (NYSE: WID) has announced the appointment of William H. "Bill" Lordo to the new position of director of proposal and sales support, it was announced today.

He was formerly manager of marketing and sales, steel mills. With this promotion, he assumes responsibility for the activities of the proposal engineering, proposal estimating, spare parts and technical sales support groups.

Lordo joined the engineering department of the Wean organization in April of 1964. In September of 1972, he was promoted to senior project engineer, and since then he has held various management positions in project engineering, research and development, estimating, proposal, sales and marketing.

He was graduated from Youngstown State University in 1970 with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering. A well-known personality in the steel industry, he is an active member of the Association of Iron and Steel Engineers.

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#90339p0273 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors has issued $700 million in ten-year bonds bearing a coupon of 9-5/8 percent, the company announced today.

"Our intended borrowing was increased because of the enthusiastic market response and our view that the current market climate represents a very favorable opportunity," said Charles E. Golden, treasurer of General Motors. The issue was originally anticipated at $400 million.

The borrowing will be used primarily to replace existing debt that is maturing in 1991. The lead manager is Salomon Brothers.

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#90339p0275 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Morton International (NYSE: MII), the world leader in the fast-growing market for automotive air bags, recently celebrated the production of its three millionth air bag inflator. At a press conference in New York City today, survivors of major auto collisions told dramatic stories of how air bags saved their lives.

Morton International Chairman Charles Locke stated, "By the end of this decade the lives saved by air bag technology will number in the thousands."

Sales of air bag inflators by Morton International have climbed 400 percent over the last two years, and company officers projected sales to reach $1

billion by 1995. Morton International manufactures inflators and assembles modules at three facilities in northern Utah.

Carole Sullivan, survivor of a collision on the Garden State Parkway in a rental car, recounts how she was part of a four-car pile-up: "I was driving a little over the speed limit - but you know the Garden State - it was with the flow of traffic, when I noticed that the man in front of me had hit the car in front of him. My reaction was to brake, but going at the speed limit that I was, there was no time to stop the impact."

She continues, "A lot of it becomes a blur at this point. After I hit him, a second later there was a second impact from a commercial van that hit me from behind. It turned my car 90 degrees, so I was now in the other lane and my side had been hit as well. The door was jammed on the driver's side. Luckily, my window was open and I climbed out.

One of the bystanders came over and said I was lucky to have an air bag. I had no idea I had an air bag - but it was out and saved me from injury. Three people in the accident were seriously hurt, but I didn't have a scratch. I never realized the importance of an air bag!"

Roger Richman, who has had long experience driving stunt cars for movies and TV, emphasized his confidence in air bags and his concern that all consumers become more aware of how they really can save lives.

Earlier this year, Richman made the first TV commercial for a Chrysler air bag-equipped car. Wearing no helmet or protective clothing and strapped in with a standard seatbelt, Richman drove a Plymouth Acclaim head-first into an immovable wall of bolted steel plate. The car's air bag system inflated on contact with the wall, and Richman walked away from the wrecked car with a smile.

This was a dramatic experience even for a veteran of high speed movie chases and fiery car crashes. "I'm convinced that every car should have an air bag. This will save many, many lives and make driving our highways and streets a much safer experience."

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#90339p0277 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Searle announced today it is making available $10 million for competitive research grants to expand current understanding of the role of prostaglandins in arthritis.

Named the "Arthritis & Prostaglandins Research Challenge," the program will

award grants of varying amounts to researchers at North American medical centers selected by an outside expert review committee.

The competitive submissions will focus on potential activities of prostaglandins in relation to the etiology and management of arthritis and related rheumatic diseases.

"In recent years, scientists have shown that prostaglandins effect immunomodulation, renal function, cartilage integrity, anti-inflammatory activity and analgesia," said Joseph T. Curti, M.D., president of Searle North American Operations.

"Our objective for this research collaboration is to explore and enhance our understanding of prostaglandins in the development and treatment of arthritis as well as other diseases," explained Curti.

Grant awardees will be selected in a competitive application process by a review committee, consisting of 25 recognized experts in the field from the United States and Canada.

"This newly formed grants program represents an important funding resource that should enhance the basic science in this area and could result in some positive applications to clinical medicine," said Robert B. Zurier, M.D., professor of medicine and chief of rheumatology at the University of Pennsylvania. "This grants program comes at a crucial time when financial resources for medical research are generally decreasing," added Zurier.

Individuals with doctoral degrees, including M.D., D.O., and Ph.D., at any non-profit institution in the United States and Canada may apply for research grants under this program. The committee's selection of award recipients will be based upon the merit of the proposal as to both study design and potential contribution to the current body of knowledge.

The deadline for receipt of grant proposals is Feb. 15, 1991. The amount of individual grant awards will be determined by the review committee. Grants will be awarded for a period of up to two years and will commence on April 30, 1991. No more than one grant will be awarded to any single principal investigator.

Searle has been a leader in prostaglandin research since 1965. Searle is a research-based pharmaceutical company that develops, manufactures and markets prescription pharmaceutical products worldwide. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of Monsanto Company (NYSE: MTC).

CONTACT: Laura Leber, (708) 470-6280, or Kay Bruno, (708) 470-6781, both of Searle.

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#90339p0278 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
ORLANDO, FLA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard J. Imming has been named senior vice president of Construction/Residential Lending for SunBank, N.A. Formerly with Amerifirst Mortgage Corporation, he joins SunBank with a considerable amount of experience in mortgage lending. Imming is a member of the Homebuilders Association of Mid-Florida, Orlando Area Board of Realtors, and Economic Development Commission of Mid-Florida.

SunBank, N.A. is the largest bank in Central Florida with 64 offices in Orange Seminole, Lake, Brevard and Osceola counties. It currently has assets over $4.2 billion and deposits of more than $3.4 billion.

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#90339p0279 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
HIGHTSTOWN, NJ (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - A new polymeric integrated optics device, which represents a major breakthrough in the field of broadband optical communications, has been developed by a team from the Applied Sciences group at PA Consulting Group's Technology division in the U.K., the company announced today. It is thought to be only the second device of its type in the world and is one of the basic enabling devices for use in the emerging photonics industry.

The device, known as a Mach Zehnder Interferometer, has been designed and built for AKZO, the Dutch chemicals group, and will enable the company to supply large bandwidth optical switches for use in advanced optical communications systems. AKZO developed the material known as a "nonlinear optical polymer" needed for use in this type of active device.

The interferometer controls the light signal of a communications laser diode and enables information to be transmitted at a greater data rate along fiber optic cables than currently possible. Its potential applications include but are not limited to voice, data and video transmission.

Although there are existing nonlinear optical components on the market, their commercial potential is limited because of difficulties in mass production. Key advantages of the newer polymeric nonlinear optical materials include: the potential for mass production via proven fabrication techniques; low dielectric constants, which enable very large operating bandwidths; large nonlinear optical coefficients and corresponding compatibility with low-voltage microelectronics.

The development of the polymeric integrated optics device is one of the first attempts to commercialize research into polymeric nonlinear optical materials.

Most of the work to date has been limited to materials characterization rather than device applications. The new device is now in an early prototype stage and could reach the market in two or three years.

PA Consulting Group is a leading international management and technology consulting firm. With 1,750 consultants worldwide and laboratories in Cambridge, England, and Hightstown, N.J., PA combines technical expertise with the experience of working in interdisciplinary teams to create business advantage through technology for clients in business and industry. PA maintains its North American headquarters in Hightstown, where it specializes in serving the healthcare, financial services and information industries.

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#90339p0280 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FL. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Gilbert A. Russell has been named senior vice president and area manager of Central Brevard County for SunBank, N.A. As branch manager of the Palm Bay office, Russell's new duties will involve managing five full-service offices and approximately 75 employees. He is a member of the Cocoa Beach Area Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Development Council.

SunBank, N.A. is the largest bank in Central Florida with 64 offices in Orange Seminole, Lake, Brevard and Osceola counties. It currently has assets over $4.2 billion and deposits of more than $3.4 billion.

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#90339p0281 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, OR. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Fred Meyer Inc. (NASDAQ: MEYR) announced today results for its 1990 third quarter (12 weeks) and 40 weeks ended Nov. 10 1990.

Net sales for the 1990 third quarter rose 7.5 percent to $541.9 million compared to the $503.9 million reported in the third quarter of last year. Comparable store sales increased 0.4 percent for the quarter.

Income from operations for the 1990 third quarter was $8.9 million, a 12 percent increase over the $7.9 million reported in the prior year's third quarter.

Net income increased 7.4 percent to $3.2 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared to $3 million reported in 1989's third quarter. Net earnings per

share were 13 cents for the third quarter of 1990 based on 24,342,000 shares outstanding, compared to 12 cents for the prior year's quarter based on 24,827,000 shares outstanding.

Net sales for the first 40 weeks of 1990 rose 12.1 percent to $1.81 billion versus the $1.61 billion reported for the first 40 weeks of 1989. Comparable store sales for the same 40 weeks increased 5.4 percent.

Income from operations for the first 40 weeks of 1990 was $41 million, a 14.1 percent increase over the $35.9 million reported in the prior year.

Net income increased 11.2 percent to $18 million during the first 40 weeks of 1990, compared to $16.2 million reported during the comparable period in 1989. Net earnings per share were 73 cents for the first 40 weeks of 1990 based on 24,524,000 shares outstanding, compared to 65 cents for the prior year's first 40 weeks based on 24,832,000 shares outstanding.

Frederick M. Stevens, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, "A softening economy was evident in our third quarter sales results. The softness in sales was felt across both the food and nonfood segments of our business, but to a greater extent in the discretionary categories of nonfood sales such as jewelry, photo-electronics, and certain sections of apparel. The slower than anticipated sales affected the increased costs of operations, partially resulting from our new store and remodel program. One additional new store was opened in this year's third quarter. Other costs included those related to the completion of the new cash register rollouts and higher depreciation and rents as a percent of sales. The increase in expenses were offset by improved gross margins.

"The gross margin improvement over last year's third quarter was partially due to lower markdowns associated with better control of nonfood inventories, and to a lesser extent completion of food department remodels. In addition, the company's warehouse expenses were significantly lower than the prior year, when heavy inventories and problems with the main distribution center's nonfood computer systems resulted in excessive merchandise storage and handling costs. The 1989 gross margin was also negatively affected by not taking inventories at the end of the 1989 second quarter due to labor disputes. On a 40 week reported basis the increase in the LIFO inventory accounting charge represents approximately 5 cents per share reduction in earnings in comparison with the LIFO charge taken in 1989's comparable 40 week period.

"Interest expense in the third quarter increased as a result of higher borrowings resulting from the company's accelerated new store growth, management information systems development and remodeling schedule, offset in part by improved inventory control.

"During the third quarter we opened a multidepartment store in Bremerton,

Wash., and replacement store in Puyallup, Wash. Since the third quarter end a multidepartment store has been opened in Bend, Ore. For 1991 we plan on opening three to five new stores; continuing our commitment to management information systems development; and completing two or three major remodels," Stevens said.

Fred Meyer Inc, headquartered in Portland, Ore., is a leading regional retailer of a wide range of general merchandise, food, apparel, fine jewelry and home improvement products. The company currently operates 122 stores, including 94 large multidepartment stores in Oregon, Washington, Utah, Idaho, Alaska, Montana and California.

FRED MEYER INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited, in thousands except per share amounts)

	12 Weeks		40 Weeks	
Period ended:	Nov. 10, 1990	Nov. 4, 1989	Nov. 10, 1990	Nov. 4, 1989
Net sales	$541,853	$503,852	$1,807,261	$1,611,596
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of merchandise sold (A)	382,449	359,297	1,272,299	1,139,701
Operating and administrative expenses	150,524	136,625	493,970	435,968
Income from operations	8,880	7,930	40,992	35,927
Interest expense (net)	3,738	3,144	12,399	10,223
Income before income taxes	5,142	4,786	28,593	25,704
Provision for income taxes	1,903	1,771	10,580	9,510
Net income	$ 3,239	$ 3,015	$ 18,013	$ 16,194
Earnings per common share	$ 0.13	$ 0.12	$ 0.73	$ 0.65
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	24,342	24,827	24,524	24,832
(A) LIFO charge to cost of merchandise sold	$ 2,200	$ 2,100	$ 9,000	$ 6,950

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited, in thousands)

	Nov. 10, 1990	Nov. 4, 1989
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash	$ 27,399	$ 25,820
Inventories	474,025	480,160

Other	34,552	33,506
Total current assets	535,976	539,486
Property and equipment (net)	418,751	349,808
Other assets	13,878	7,473
Total	$968,605	$896,767

LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	$285,226	$276,767
Income taxes	8,700	16,262
Accrued expenses/other	59,011	38,500
Total current liabilities	352,937	331,529
Long-term debt	270,224	210,063
Other long-term obligations	75,854	80,626
Shareholders' equity	269,590	274,549
Total	$968,605	$896,767

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JAMESTOWN, NY (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Frank T. Costanzo, chief executive officer of Electronic Technology Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: ETEK, BSE: ETE) announced today at its annual meeting of shareholders, that its after-tax income for the first quarter ending Oct. 31, 1990 was $200,831 on revenues of $4,199,956 as contrasted with after-tax income of $49,963 on revenues of $1,384,359 for the comparative 1989 fiscal period.

Edmond L. Lonergan, president of Electronic Technology Group Inc. commented that he was pleased with the results of the first quarter. Lonergan explained that the results reflected only 10 weeks of sales from the company's newest subsidiary, ACT II Printed Circuit Technology Inc.

Commenting upon the operating results, Curt B. Westrom, chief financial officer explained that the earnings per share for the current fiscal period was 10 cents based upon 2,096,000 outstanding shares as compared to 5 cents per share based upon 1,111,111 outstanding shares during the comparable 1989 period.

Electronic Technology Group Inc. is a manufacturer of high quality electronic assemblies for the medical, industrial controls, transportation and music industries. The company owns and operates EJE Research Corp. of Buffalo, N.Y. Moog Music Manufacturing of Jamestown, N.Y., Liberty Engineering Inc. of Waltham, Mass. and ACT II Printed Circuits Inc. of Tempe, Ariz.

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#90339p0291 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The pending retirement of W. Blair Thompson following a career of more than 45 years in the design and production of automotive components for General Motors was announced today by Robert C. Stempel, chairman of GM.

Thompson will retire Jan. 1, 1991, following four years as vice president and group executive in charge of the Automotive Components Group.

"Blair's personal leadership during this extremely competitive period of restructuring," Stempel said, "brought our component and vehicle groups together and helped develop GM's diverse parts business into a world-class resource for our GM customers -- and for other manufacturers from around the world. The quality objectives and the systems we needed are in place. His dedication," Stempel added, "rejuvenated GM's component operations and elevated them into a respected leadership position among the world's automakers."

A native of Petoskey, Mich., Thompson, 62, joined GM's Saginaw Steering Gear Division (now Saginaw Division) in 1945 while an industrial engineering student at the former General Motors Institute. He held a variety of engineering positions at Saginaw before being selected to attend MIT as a Sloan Fellow. He earned a master of science degree in industrial management there in 1960, and returned to Saginaw where he was elevated to chief engineer in 1966.

In 1974 he moved to Dayton, Ohio, and was promoted to general manager of the Delco Products Division. He served there until 1981 when he was named general manager of GM's Packard Electric Division. The following year he returned to Saginaw as general manager of the Saginaw Division.

In connection with the restructuring of GM's North American operations in the mid-80s, Thompson was promoted to vice president and executive in charge of the Mechanical Components Group in 1984, and held that post until 1987 when he was promoted to head the newly created Automotive Components Group.

During his career Thompson was active with the Boy Scouts of America and the United Negro College Fund. He still holds patents on a number of inventions involving automotive components developed during his service with the Saginaw Division.

Upon the retirement of Thompson, the operations previously managed by him will report directly to William E. Hoglund, executive vice president of GM in charge of the Automotive Components Group, Power Products and Defense Operations Group and Service Parts Operations.

CONTACT: John Hartnett of GM, 313-556-2087; or Jerry Bishop of ACG, 313-696-1024

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#90339p0293 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Lancer Industries Inc. announced today the initial closing of the Joseph Littlejohn & Levy Fund, L.P. with committed capital of $180 million from eight major U.S. tax-exempt institutions as limited partners.

Beacon Hill Financial Corporation acted as the fund's exclusive placement agent. The fund seeks long-term capital appreciation by acquiring controlling equity interests in troubled companies in transactions designed to implement the restructuring, recapitalization and operational turnaround of such entities.

The individuals involved in the fund's management are Peter A. Joseph, Angus C. Littlejohn and Paul S. Levy, each of whom is an experienced participant in the restructuring, recapitalization and operational turnaround arena and a senior executive of Lancer. Lancer has made an investment in the fund and will benefit from the fund's carried interest.

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#90339p0296 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA, (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Golden Cat Corp., of South Bend, Ind., maker of the Tidy Cat and Kitty Litter brands of litter, is transferring its national advertising account to Weightman Advertising, John Goodchild, agency president, announced today.

Golden Cat, which acquired the assets of Edward Lowe Industries last month, is replacing its Chicago-based agency with Weightman, Philadelphia's largest independently owned advertising agency, explained Goodchild.

"I'm delighted that Golden Cat has confidence in our ability to build national brands," said Goodchild. "We're proud of our track record and proud to be associated with such a fine company and outstanding product line."

Golden Cat's Tidy Cat and Kitty Litter brands account for about one- third of the litter market with sales in excess of $400 million, added Goodchild.

John A. Creel, executive vice president of sales and marketing, said the choice of Weightman is consistent with the company's goal of growing the business through a "clearly defined, highly compelling advertising effort."

"Weightman knows product positioning, consumer attitudes, and our industry. We're looking forward to a long and profitable relationship," he added.

Weightgman is a full-service agency with billing in excess of $115 million. Its other national accounts include Mannington Mills, Wampler-Longacre, ALPO Petfoods, Scott Paper and the Hershey Pasta Group.

CONTACT: Dava Guerin of Weightman Public Relations, 215-561-6100, or at home, 215-635-5485

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#90339p0302 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Phoenix Network (NASDAQ: PHXN), a San Francisco-based national telecommunications company has named James R. Miller, Executive Vice President and General Counsel. Miller 41, will serve on the company's executive committee and has been elected to the board of directors.

Before joining the company, he was a managing partner of Parkhill Partners which was responsible for the design and development of the Metropolis project an office, hotel and commercial center which will encompass over 2,500,000 square feet of commercial space in downtown Los Angeles. Prior to that Miller had engaged in the practice of law in Los Angeles, including serving as a managing partner of Bushkin, Gaimes and Gains. Before that Miller was the Regional Counsel for the Los Angeles Regional Office of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

Commenting on the addition of Miller to the company, Thomas H. Bell, chairman and CEO said, "The desire of our company to attract executives of Mr. Miller's caliber is representative of our commitment to stay at the forefront of services and profitability in an industry growing as rapidly as long distance telecommunications." Miller added, "The management of Phoenix Network has a clear commitment to innovation and value for their customers. As a result, in the first six months of this fiscal year, Phoenix's monthly revenues grew over 180 percent from $465,000 to $1,300,000. It is very exciting to be a part of this dynamic growth opportunity."

Phoenix Network is a long distance telecommunications network manager and trades over the counter under the symbol PHXN.

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#90339p0306 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Peoples Energy Corporation (NYSE: PGL) today named a new chairman and a new president and announced other changes that pave

the way for an orderly transition within its executive ranks.

Richard E. Terry, 53, was elected chairman and chief executive officer of Peoples Energy and its subsidiaries, including its principal operating units, Peoples Gas and North Shore Gas. He is an attorney and has been employed by the company for 18 years.

J. Bruce Hasch, 52, moves up to succeed Terry as president and chief operating officer of the companies. He is an engineer and has held several operating and administrative posts during his 30-year career.

Terry, in heading the company, replaces Eugene A. Tracy, who has served as chief executive since 1981 and will remain with Peoples Energy for another year as a director and as chairman of the board's executive committee. Tracy, 63, requested that directors appoint a new management team at this time in order to effect an orderly succession before he takes early retirement in 1991.

The company also announced that Michael S. Reeves, an executive vice president has been nominated for election to the company's board, which will be enlarged to 13 members during the interim year that Tracy remains on the board. Reeves is 55 and has worked for the company since 1956.

Peoples Energy is a public utility holding company for the two natural gas distribution companies that serve nearly a million customers in Chicago and 54 north suburban communities. Its assets and sales revenues annually are well in excess of $1 billion, and its stock is listed on major U.S. exchanges.

CONTACT: Ed Joyce of Peoples Energy, 312-431-4567

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#90339p0307 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Goldman, Sachs & Co., as lead manager of the underwriting group, announced today the public offering of $300 million of 9.60 percent bonds of The Korea Development Bank due Dec. 1, 2000, priced at 99.90 percent, plus accrued interest from Dec. 1, 1990, to yield 9.615 percent.

Interest on the bonds is payable on June 1 and Dec. 1 of each year, commencing June 1, 1991. The bonds will be payable in full at, and not be redeemable prior to, maturity. The bonds will be issued only in registered form in denominations of $5,000 and integral multiples thereof. Each bond will be represented by a global security registered in the name of a nominee of The Depository Trust Company, as depositary.

The Korea Development Bank was established in 1954, as a governmental financial institution pursuant to the Development Bank Act. The primary purpose of the bank is to furnish and administer funds, in conformity with the industrial policies of the Korean Government, for the financing of major

industrial projects in order to expedite industrial development and expansion of the economy of the Republic of Korea. All of the bank's outstanding capital is owned by the government of the Republic of Korea.

A copy of the prospectus can be obtained from the Prospectus Department of Goldman, Sachs & Co., 85 Broad St., New York, N.Y., 10004.

CONTACT: Barbara Hynes of Gavin, Anderson and Doremus, 212-921-1060, for Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Korea Development Bank

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#90339p0312 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Fahnestock Viner Holdings Inc. announced today that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Fahnestock & Co., Inc., has completed the purchase of substantially all of the assets of New York & Foreign Securities Corporation and is merging the business of New York & Foreign Securities with its own. Peter Toczek will be joining Fahnestock & Co., Inc. as executive vice president.

New York & Foreign Securities conducts principally institutional equity business out of its office in New York City and deals with over 200 U.S. and foreign institutions. Fahnestock & Co. is a U.S. broker- dealer operating out of 35 branch offices located principally in the U.S. Northeast and the Midwest.

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#90339p0313 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Israel Land Development Company Limited announced today that it has initiated an American Depositary Receipt Program (ADR) with the Bank of New York as Depositary Bank. The ADRs will trade under the ticker "ILDCY" and will be quoted on the National Association of Security Dealers Automated Quotation/National Market System. Each ADR will represent three ordinary shares. Kidder, Peabody & Co., Incorporated is acting as the company's financial advisor in the United States and is one of the market makers. Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.; Smith New Court, Carl Marks Inc. and Troster Singer are currently other market makers. Additional market makers most likely will include Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and Oscar Gruss & Co. Incorporated.

The company is engaged in four main business activities: real estate development, management and ownership of hotels, management and ownership of income properties and the development and management of full service retirement homes. The company is one of the major real estate and hotel corporations in Israel and one of the more active publicly held land

developers in Israel.

The company was founded in 1909 by the World Zionist Organization and served as one of the principal vehicles for the acquisition of land for the Jewish people in Israel. Since a change in control of the company in 1988, the company has aggressively developed land located throughout Israel including in the central sections of the largest cities. Additionally, the company is currently contemplating becoming involved in providing housing for the new wave of Russian immigrants. The company's ordinary shares have traded on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange since 1953.

CONTACT: Ron Weissberg, CFO of Israel Land Development Company Limited, 011-972-35245112

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#90339p0315 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOLINE, IL. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Deere & Company (NYSE: DE) board of directors today declared the regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share, payable Feb. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

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#90339p0318 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Financial Corp., a San Diego broker-dealer and investment banking firm, has entered into an agreement to acquire the Mutual Fund Retirement Accounts of GAF Financial and Insurance Services (GAFFIS), a subsidiary of Great American Bank (NYSE: GTA).

The transfer of accounts is expected to be completed in January 1991. Approximately 4,100 accounts are involved in the transaction. Terms of the purchase were not disclosed.

Howard B. Levenson, chairman of Western Financial Corp., stated that, "GAFFIS and Great American Bank are noted for their excellence in customer relations and we plan to offer our new clients the same high level of quality service to which they have become accustomed."

Separately, it was announced that GAF Financial and Insurance Services President Charles W. Muse will join Western Financial Corp. as senior vice president.

Muse is widely known within the San Diego financial community and serves the local chapter of the International Association for Financial Planning as president-elect.

He also teaches at San Diego State University in the Department of Finance and is the first vice president of The Bank Securities Association.

Muse stated that, "In choosing to associate with the dedicated professionals at Western Financial Corp., I am confident of an alliance with a tradition of quality service. I look forward to applying my experience to the new challenges with this respected firm."

Western Financial Corp. is a full-service broker-dealer headquartered in San Diego since it was established in 1971. Its customers consist of retail, as well as institutional clients.

CONTACT: Howard B. Levenson, chairman of Western Financial Corp., 619-234-3235.

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#90339p0319 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Gold King Consolidated Inc. (GKC) announced it has reached a settlement with its mining contractor on the Adelaide Crown open pit mine in Humboldt County, Nev. The settlement between Target Construction Inc. of Reno, Nev. and Gold King Nevada Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of GKC will allow for the mine to recommence mining and crushing operations within a few weeks. Mining operations at the mine were suspended recently as a result of a dispute over terms of the contract between Gold King and Target.

Under the terms of the settlement, Gold King received adjustments on certain outstanding invoices. In addition, the settlement included price reductions to Gold King for future services under the contract. Target will remain the primary mining contractor on the project.

The Adelaide Crown mine is located in Northern Nevada on the "Getchell Structure," which hosts the Pinson, Prebble, Getchell and Rabbit Creek mines. The Adelaide Crown mine poured its first gold and silver dore on June 18, 1990. During the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the property produced approximately 2,800 equivalent ounces of gold.

CONTACT: Ron Hottovy of Gold King Consolidated Inc., 303-752-4800

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#90339p0323 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Forest Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: FRX), an international pharmaceutical manufacturer and marketer, announced that it had signed a letter of intent to acquire a line of thyroid products from Rhone-Poulenc Rorer. The acquisition is subject to the approval of Forest's and Rhone-Poulenc Rorer's boards of directors, to the completion of due diligence and to the negotiation and conclusion of definitive agreements.

Terms of the proposed acquisition were not announced.

CONTACT: Kenneth E. Goodman, vice president-finance of Forest Laboratories, 212-421-7850

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#90339p0326 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statements may be attributed to John P. King, Parts and Service Engineering Office manager, Ford Parts and Service Division:

Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) is asking owners of about 20,000 1988-90 F-Super Duty light trucks with 7.5-liter engines to return to their dealerships to have a new electronic engine control (EEC IV) processor installed at no charge.

Some trucks have experienced a lack of power, especially when operated in areas with high temperatures or while pulling heavy loads. The new EEC IV processor will correct this lack of power while providing improved performance and fuel economy. On some earlier vehicles, new thermostats also will be installed.

The company will contact all owners by mail and will cover all costs of parts and labor. Of the vehicles affected, 19,396 are located in the United States, 1,151 in Canada and 276 in export locations.

Ford also announced an update of another recall. The company previously announced that it is recalling about 55,000 1990 and 1991 model year cars to locate and recover about 133 air bag modules that had been identified by the module supplier, TRW Vehicle Safety Systems, Inc., as being potentially defective.

Ford later was informed by TRW that further review of its records had shown that the number of potentially defective modules shipped to Ford was about 3,000.

Although many of these additional modules are expected to be contained in the 55,000 vehicles originally identified, after review of the latest shipping and production information provided by TRW, Ford has determined that about 111,000 additional vehicles should be included in the recall.

Affected vehicles are 1990 Taurus, Sable, Continental, Tempo and Topaz and 1990-91 Crown Victoria and Grand Marquis models. Owners of the additional vehicles affected will receive letters asking them to return the vehicles to their dealers for inspection.

CONTACT: Jim Trainor of Ford, 313-594-2880.

-30- 2161
#90339p0328 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
INDEPENDENCE, OH (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Centerior Energy Corporation (NYSE: CX) today clarified a report issued on a financial newswire that one of its operating subsidiaries, Toledo Edison Company, on Dec. 15 is refunding $60 million of bonds issued at 11.25 percent and due in 1995.

Centerior said that the bonds have not been called although the move is under consideration. The savings from any refunding can be determined only after the source of funds has been arranged.

Centerior Energy is the parent company of Toledo Edison and Cleveland Electric Illuminating, which together provide electric service to nearly one million customers in Northern Ohio.

CONTACT: Lee Bailey of Centerior Energy Corporation, (216) 447-3235 or (216) 623-1060 after hours.

-30- 938
#90339p0329 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
STEWARTVILLE, MN (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Rochester Medical Corporation (Minneapolis local over-the-counter market) today announced the it has contracted to expand its manufacturing facilities to allow completion of development and manufacturing of an all silicone, self-adhering male external condom catheter for which the company has filed patent application.

Rochester Medical Corporation is a development-stage company engaged in research, development and manufacturing of improved, silicone-based, disposable urinary catheters. It is currently exploring bulk sales under license to medical device manufacturers or distributors for resale under their own brands.

The company recently completed its initial public offering of 330,000 common shares at $5 per share, underwritten by Equity Securities Trading Co., Inc., Minneapolis. The company's shares presently trade only in the Minneapolis local over-the-counter market. The company intends to apply for inclusion on NASDAQ.

CONTACT: George H. Frisch for Rochester Medical, 612-724-2929

-30- 1223
#90339p0330 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOUISVILLE, KY (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of LG&E Energy Corp. (NYSE: LGE) today declared a quarterly dividend on the common stock of 71 cents a share. The dividend is payable January 15, 1991 to stockholders of

record on December 31, 1990.

In other business, the Board of Directors adopted a Shareholder Rights Plan designed to protect shareholders' interest in the event that the company is confronted with an unfair or inadequate acquisition proposal.

The company emphasized that the plan was not adopted in response to any specific attempt to acquire control of the company, and that it is not aware of any such attempt. However, given today's takeover environment, the Board considered the measure a prudent business decision that will assist the Board in protecting the interests of all LG&E Energy Corp.'s shareholders.

Roger W. Hale, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the company, stated, "The plan is designed to protect the company and its shareholders against unsolicited attempts to acquire control of the company on terms the Board believes are unfair or inadequate. This plan provides a valuable means of maximizing the value of each shareholder's equity investment in the company without foreclosing a fair acquisition bid for the company, should one be made."

The Board declared a dividend distribution of one "right" for each share of LG&E Energy Corp. common stock. Each right entitles the holder to purchase from the company one one-hundredth of a share of new preferred stock of the company under certain circumstances.

The rights may be exercised if a person or group announces its intention to acquire or acquires 20 percent or more of the company's common stock. Under certain circumstances, the holders of the rights will be entitled to purchase either shares of common stock of LG&E Energy Corp. or the common stock of the acquiror at some percent of the market value.

Unless earlier redeemed or exchanged, the rights will expire in ten years. Details of the rights distribution will be mailed to common shareholders. The rights distribution is not taxable to shareholders.

LG&E Energy Corp. is an energy-based holding company whose subsidiary, Louisville Gas and Electric Company, is an electric and gas utility serving Louisville and the surrounding territory in Kentucky.

CONTACT: Trish Burke of LG&E Energy Corp., (502) 627-2501 office or (502) 228-3761 home.

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#90339p0333 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA, (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Cotton States Life and Health Insurance Co. (NASDAQ: CSLH) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.07 per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 18.

Cotton States Life and Health Insurance Co. is licensed to sell life insurance in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia. Its common shares are traded Over-the-Counter under the NASDAQ symbol CSLH.

CONTACT: Gary W. Meader, senior vice president, treasurer, or Cindy Swinson, vice president, secretary, general counsel of Cotton States, 404-391-8786

-30- 798

#90339p0336 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Digital Corp. (AMEX: WDC) today announced the appointment of David W. Murphy as senior vice president and chief financial officer, effective immediately.

At Western Digital, Murphy will be responsible for all of the company's financial activities on a worldwide basis, reporting to Roger W. Johnson, chairman, president and chief executive officer. Murphy replaces A.J. Moyer, who resigned from the position earlier this year.

Murphy comes to Western Digital after serving as senior vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer of AT&T Paradyne, a $650 million international data communications manufacturing unit of AT&T Corp. He joined Paradyne Corp. in 1988 as vice president of finance and administration, prior to the company's acquisition by AT&T in 1989.

Before joining Paradyne, Murphy spent seven years in a variety of financial management positions with IBM Corp., including his last assignment there as controller and chief financial officer of IBM's Display Systems business unit.

A native of Syracuse, N.Y., Murphy earned a master of business administration degree in finance and accounting from Syracuse University and a bachelor of arts degree in the social sciences from State University of New York in Stony Brook.

Western Digital Corp., headquartered in Irvine, is a multinational company that designs, develops, manufactures and markets semiconductors, subsystems and intelligent disk drives to original equipment manufacturers and resellers which serve the microcomputer industry. The company's storage products unit produces intelligent drives and controllers; while its microcomputer products unit provides communications, imaging and systems logic products.

CONTACT: Robert J. Blair of Western Digital, 714-932-7834

-30- 1988

#90339p0337 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MAYWOOD, N.J. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert M. Kossick, president and chief executive officer of National Community Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: NCBR) announced today that at the Dec. 5, 1990 regular meeting of the board of directors a cash dividend of 35 cents per share was declared on the common stock of the bank payable Jan. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record Dec. 19, 1990.

CONTACT: Diane Dunleavy of Darcey & Darcey, 201-831-8805, for National Community Banks

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#90339p0340 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Department of Transportation today tentatively chose Pan American World Airways to provide new air service between Miami and Cancun, Mexico. American Airlines was tentatively awarded backup authority for the same route.

An April 1990 agreement between the United States and Mexico allows an additional airline to fly between Miami and Cancun. Eastern Air Lines currently serves this market.

The department's tentative decision, issued by Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and International Affairs Patrick V. Murphy Jr., said the selection of Pan Am would enhance competition in the U.S.- Cancun market by adding a new carrier to this service. American, the only other applicant for the route, already serves Cancun and Cozumel, another city on the Yucatan peninsula, from Dallas/Ft. Worth and Raleigh/Durham, N.C.

DOT added that awarding Pan Am the route would provide competition with other carriers serving Cancun from the same originating city via other gateways. For example, Pan Am would serve New York-Cancun travelers through its Miami gateway to compete with American's New York- Raleigh/Durham-Cancun service. Since more U.S.-Cancun traffic originates in New York than in any other city, Pan Am would be offering new competitive service to a substantial number of U.S.-Cancun passengers.

Interested parties were directed to show cause why this tentative decision should not be made final. Comments and objections are due within 10 days.

CONTACT: Bill Mosley of the U.S. Department of Transportation, 202-366-5571

-30- 1754

#90339p0342 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

OLYMPIA, WA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T announced today it has added a new discount calling option in Washington for businesses using the AT&T AT&T Pro(sm) Wats interstate calling program.

Starting Nov. 16, Pro Wats customers are able to sign up without charge for AT&T Pro(sm) Wats Washington. The new program gives firms volume discounts on outgoing calls within Washington, without the expense of a separate Wats phone line. Pro Wats users make discounted long distance calls over their regular phone line by dialing "9" before the long distance number they are calling.

Pro Wats Washington callers are billed for an initial 30- second period, then billed at six-second increments for the remainder of the call. A single rate is charged for calls to any point in Washington, and daytime calls may be discounted up to 21 percent, depending on call volumes. Evening, night and weekend calls cost even less.

More information is available from the AT&T customer service office at 1-800-222-0400.

CONTACT: Walt Greenwood of AT&T, (206) 389-8105, or after hours, (206) 883-9415.

-30- 1254

#90339p0344 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS, MO (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of General Dynamics Corporation (NYSE: GD) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the company's common stock.

The dividend is payable on February 15, 1991 to shareholders of record on January 18, 1991.

CONTACT: Christopher R. Schildz of General Dynamics, 314-889-8577 or 314-351-1820.

-30- 558

#90339p0345 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - World Satellite Network, Inc. (local OTC) provider of satellite programming nationwide and a direct response marketer, attributed increased revenue to strong sales in the private cable industry. Lower earnings were a result of its subsidiary's, All Media, Inc., efforts to produce and market video and audio products using a 30-minute infomercial. World Satellite Network owns 66 percent of All Media, Inc.

WORLD SATELLITE NETWORK, INC.
CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT (Audited)

	Fiscal Year Ended	
	8/31/90	8/31/89
Revenue	$2,496,342	$1,479,147
Gross profit	706,300	497,456
Net income	$(144,684)	$(1,113)

Earnings per share (loss)	$(.059)	$(.001)

CONTACT: Jeff Maxwell or Ned Ostenso, of World Satellite Network, 612-339-9018

-30- 1163

#90339p0346 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - All Media, Inc. (local OTC), a direct response marketing company, attributed its year-end loss to production and test marketing costs of its audio and video product, "Secrets to Successful Relationships."

ALL MEDIA, INC. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT (Audited)

Fiscal Year Ended:	8/31/90	8/31/89
Revenue	$136,117	$151,843
Gross profit	(5,408)	33,940
Net income	$(431,092)	$(196,109)
Earnings per share (loss)	$(1.13)	$(.67)

CONTACT: Jeff Maxwell or Ned Ostenso, both of World Satellite Network, (612) 339-9018, for All Media, Inc.

-30- 842

#90339p0360 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Quanex Corp. (NYSE: NX), a leading manufacturer of specialty metal products, today announced that it will exchange newly issued 9-1/8 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures (debentures), for its curently outstanding 1,380,000 shares of 9-1/8 percent Depositary Convertible Exchangeable Preferred Shares (depositary preferred shares) issued Sept. 26, 1988. The exchange will be effective Dec. 31, 1990, at a rate of $25 principal amount of debentures for each depositary preferred share in accordance with the terms of the depositary preferred shares.

The depositary preferred shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange and Quanex intends to apply for a similar listing of the debentures. The depositary preferred shares are, and the debentures will be convertible into shares of common stock at a conversion price of $16.90 per share.

Carl E. Pfeiffer, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "This exchange benefits our shareholders by substituting the tax deductible coupon payment of the interest on the debentures for the non-deductible 9-1/8 percent depositary preferred dividends. In short, the depositary preferred shares and the debentures have the same 9-1/8 percent rate, but now it is deductible to Quanex in the form of interest on the debentures. From the date of exchange, the earnings of Quanex are expected to be approximately 10 cents per primary common share higher, on an annualized basis, than they otherwise would be. We

took this action to enhance Quanex's earnings and cash flow for our shareholders."

The debentures will pay interest semiannually on March 31 and Sept. 30 commencing March 31, 1991 and are redeemable in whole or in part, under certain conditions. Annual sinking fund payments of $2,588,000 begin on Sept. 30, 1998. The debentures will be subordinate to all senior indebtedness of Quanex.

Quanex is a technological leader in the manufacture of steel, aluminum and titanium specialty metal products for transportation, capital equipment, home building and remodeling and energy processing markets.

Latest 12 Month Data: sales: $650.3 million, operating earnings: $57.2 million, net income: $28 million, cash from operations: $55.5 million, primary earnings per share: $2.03, quarterly dividend rate: 10 cents per share (12 cents as of Dec. 31, 1990), book value per share: $12.33, return on shareholders' equity: 17.8 percent, common stock price range (52 week High/Low) $18-5/8 and $9-1/8.

CONTACT: W.F. Cleary or C.A. Meador, both of Quanex Corp., 713-961-4600.

-30- 2784

#90339p0361 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI, (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Chiquita Brands International, Inc. ("Chiquita") (NYSE: CQB) announced today that it has filed an amendment to a registration statement for a public offering by Chiquita to increase the number of shares offered from 2.6 million to 3 million newly issued shares of its common stock. Chiquita continues to grant to the underwriters an option to increase the size of the offering by 15 percent to cover over-allotments.

The net proceeds to be received by Chiquita will be available for general corporate purposes, including acquisitions of and investments in food-related businesses and capital expenditures.

American Financial Corporation ("AFC") beneficially owns, either directly or through its subsidiaries, approximately 61 percent of Chiquita's shares. If all shares from the offering are sold to the public (without giving effect to the over-allotment option), AFC's beneficial ownership would be approximately 57 percent of Chiquita's shares.

Chiquita is a leading international marketer, processor and producer of quality fresh and prepared food products. Revenues in 1989 were $3.8 billion. In recent years, Chiquita has capitalized on its Chiquita(R) and other premium brand names by building on its worldwide leadership position in the marketing, distribution and sourcing of bananas; by expanding its quality fresh fruit and vegetable operations; and by further developing its business

in value-added prepared foods.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state. Copies of the prospectus for the offering may be obtained from any of the representatives of the underwriters named above.

CONTACT: Sandra W. Heimann of Chiquita Brands International, Inc., 513-784-8011

-30- 2463

#90339p0362 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Price Company (NASDAQ: PCLB) announced today that Giles Bateman, executive vice president and chief financial officer and a founder of the company, intends to leave the company on or before December 1991, in order to pursue other personal goals.

"It has been an exciting fifteen years with the company," said Bateman, "and we have accomplished more than any of us thought possible at the beginning. I am committed to ensuring an orderly transition over the next year.

"In that regard, we have initiated the process of identifying people who have demonstrated the ability to assume specific areas of my responsibilities. My decision to leave The Price Company has crystallized over a period of time, and reflects my desire to pursue some personal goals."

Robert Price, president, said, "We have accepted Giles' decision with regret, but with true appreciation for his service. We also appreciate his giving us a full year's notice so that we can ensure an orderly transition."

Bateman, a nominee for re-election as a director at the company's annual meeting on Jan. 17, 1991, intends to continue as a director and as vice chairman throughout the term for which he is being elected. The Price Company operates 64 Price Clubs in the United States and Canada.

CONTACT: Giles Bateman, executive VP of The Price Company, (619) 581-4645.

-30- 1575

#90339p0370 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

VIENNA, VA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - EER Systems Corporation has acquired Space

Services Inc. of America (SSI), the Houston-based firm that was an early starter in the entrepreneurial commericial space launch industry. "The acquisition marks our entry in the commericial launch business," said Dr. Jai N. Gupta, the company's president. "It is consistent with our plans to offer small satellite on-orbit capability to the private sector as well as to the government."

The purchase includes SSI's existing launch services contracts, current proposals, and the Starfire and Conestoga vehicle designs. The Starfire is sub-orbital while the Conestoga is an extremely flexible multi-booster orbital system. The Conestoga can be configured in several ways depending on the size of the payload. Launch costs can therefore be directly related to satellite size and weight.

Over the past eleven years, EER has become a leader in providing a broad range of engineering services specializing in aerospace flight systems, training systems, and information systems. The company's clients include NASA, FAA, and DoD. The acquisition expands its aerospace flight hardware capabilities into the launch systems business and permits it to offer an end-to-end package from design and development to orbit and operation.

SSI accomplished the first privately financed and operated launch of a rocket to orbital insertion conditions in September 1982. In March 1989, they launched the first payload licensed by the Department of Transportation's Office of Commercial Space from White Sands Missile Range, N.M., for a consortium led by the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

SSI was the first company to obtain an agreement with the government for use of government facilities in support of commercial space activities. It obtained the first license for multiple launches and has conducted two of the four launches licensed. It is actively competing for a number of government and commercial programs currently in the evaluation and selection cycle.

SSI will become an operating division under EER Systems' Aerospace Systems Group. Former astronaut "Deke" Slayton, SSI's president, will head the new division.

Moffette Tharpe, group vice president, stated that "the division will offer the user community a relatively low-cost, fast turnaround means of putting small and medium sized satellites into orbit. The simplicity of the Conestoga design adds to its reliability and dependability. We plan for the Conestoga to become the vehicle of choice in its class for both the government and private sector."

CONTACT: Michael Bryant of EER Systems Corporation, 703-847-5750.

-30- 2848

#90339p0373 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
COLUMBUS, GA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Synovus Financial Corp. (NYSE: SNV) today announced that it has signed a letter of intent to acquire CB Bancshares Inc.

Terms of the acquisition are not being disclosed. CB Bancshares Inc. is the holding company of the $52 million-asset The Citizens Bank, Fort Valley, Ga., with offices in Fort Valley and Byron, and the $34 million-asset The Citizens Bank of Cochran, Cochran, Ga.

Consummation of the acquisition is subject to execution of definitive agreements and the prior approval of CB Bancshares Inc.'s shareholders, the Georgia Banking Department and the Federal Reserve Board. The acquisition is expected to be completed in mid-1991.

Commenting on the announcement, James H. Blanchard, chairman of the board of Synovus Financial Corp., stated, "We are excited about this opportunity to further expand our presence in middle Georgia and to assist the fine people in Peach and Bleckley counties in responding to their growing financial needs."

Cleon E. Moore, president of CB Bancshares Inc., stated: "This is an exciting day for us because we are joining one of Georgia's best known and finest banking organizations. We have known Synovus's people for years and believe that this affiliation will be of great value to our customers, employees, shareholders and the communities of Fort Valley, Cochran and Byron."

SNV is a $2.8 billion-asset, multi-financial services company based in Columbus, Ga. SNV is composed of 14 Georgia, four Florida and two Alabama banking affiliates, a majority-owned, publicly traded bankcard data processing company, Total System Services Inc. (NYSE: TSS), and a broker/dealer company, Synovus Securities Inc.

CONTACT: Stephen L. Burts Jr., executive vice president and treasurer, 404-649-2197, or G. Sanders Griffith III, vice president, general counsel and secretary, 404-649-2267, both of Synovus Financial

-30- 2101
#90339p0374 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - S. Parker Gilbert, outgoing chairman of Morgan Stanley Group Inc., has been elected a member of the board of directors of ITT Corporation effective Jan. 15, 1991, Rand V. Araskog, chairman and chief executive announced today.

"Mr. Gilbert's experience in international banking and financial markets will be a significant contribution to the counsel we receive from our board," Araskog said.

Gilbert, 57, joined Morgan Stanley in 1960 and was elected a partner of the

firm in 1969. He has been a managing director since the firm was incorporated in 1970 and a member of the firm's Management Committee, the executive group managing the firm's affairs, since the group was formed in 1974. He was elected president in 1983 and chairman in 1984. Gilbert has announced that he will retire from Morgan Stanley effective Dec. 31, 1990.

Gilbert earned a B.A. degree from Yale University in 1956 and subsequently served in the U.S. Army until 1959.

Gilbert also serves as vice chairman of the St. Luke's/Roosevelt Hospital Center board of trustees; president, board of trustees, the Pierpont Morgan Alfred P. Sloan Foundation; director, Josiah H. Macy, Jr. Foundation. He serves as a director of the New York Stock Exchange, Morgan Stanley Group Inc. and Burlington Resources Inc.

Gilbert, a native New Yorker, lives with his family in New York City. The election of Gilbert to the ITT Board will increase the number of members from 13 to 14.

CONTACT: Jim Gallagher of ITT, 212-258-1261.

-30- 1700

#90339p0375 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Today Parker Automotive Corp. (NASDAQ: PKRA) announced the resignation of Michael E. Parker, the founder and a major shareholder of the company, from the board of directors. Mr. Parker had served as chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the company since its inception in 1987, but he had resigned from the chief executive position on Nov. 26.

In a prepared statement to the board, Mr. Parker stated that the resignation was "not of (his) own free will," but was intended to allow the company "the chance of a future."

In announcing his resignation, the board of directors expressed confidence in the management of the company and in the prospects for the success of the company's products. Under the new chief executive, the company has streamlined operations which includes some layoffs, and sought sources of expanded financing, since commitments for bank financing were disrupted when Parker Automotive was placed in receivership as part of an action related to Parker North American, another company founded by Mr. Parker. The receivership was lifted on Monday, Nov. 26, 1990. The new chief executive officer appeared before the judge (who imposed, then vacated, the order originally) yesterday and received the judge's assurance that he would not reappoint a receiver, provided that the terms of the negotiatied settlement were observed. Those terms included Michael E. Parker's resignation as chief executive officer.

Separately, the company stated that there have been a great many short sellers active in the company's stock, and that may account for the drop in the quoted price of its shares.

CONTACT: Diane Parker of Parker Automotive, 714-641-1515

-30- 1918

#90339p0376 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FL (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) has announced the addition of Orlando as its newest domestic and international flight attendant domicile, beginning June 1.

"Delta is extremely pleased to have chosen Orlando as the site for its 14th flight attendant domicile," said Chuck Foster, Delta's district director of marketing. "In the first year, we anticipate 500 flight attendants will be domiciled at the Orlando base. Delta presently has 850 personnel who call Orlando home."

Delta has more than 64,000 personnel of which 14,000 are flight attendants. Present flight attendant domiciles include Atlanta, Boston, Cincinnati, Chicago, Dallas/Ft. Worth, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami/Ft. Lauderdale, New Orleans, New York, Salt Lake City, Seattle/Tacoma, and Portland, Ore.

Foster added: "Delta is the official Airline of Walt Disney World. We are committed to the expansion of our Orlando hub operation. Delta's beautiful new Flight Center, additional domestic and international flights including new service to Tokyo beginning in early 1991, and now a flight attendant domicile are all examples of that commitment."

Delta is a major world airline, operating over 2,400 flights daily. Its fleet of 438 aircraft serves 177 cities around the world. It has for the last 16 consecutive years led the industry in passenger satisfaction among the nine largest domestic airlines according to the records of the Department of Transportation.

CONTACT: Chuck Foster, district director - Marketing of Delta Air Lines, 407-896-0374.

-30- 1750

#90339p0379 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Scripps Howard Productions and Walter K. Gilbride & Associates today announced plans to produce and distribute topical news features designed to provide high-quality content that can set a television news show apart from its competitors.

The joint venture's initial projects for first-run syndication will include:

- "Kiplinger's Personal Finance and Tax Service," personal money and tax reports from the editors and staff of the Kiplinger organization, publishers of the Kiplinger newsletters and "Changing Times."

- "Celebrity Profiles," with Reba Merrill and Associates, insightful candid moments with the best-known names in the world of entertainment.

- "The Environment and You," focusing on the ever-changing and threatened environment, paying particular attention to how it impacts mankind, nature and the endangered wildlife.

"Stations are telling us they need specific features that can help provide the critical difference in positioning their news programs apart from their competitors. We believe these features, both in subject and quality, can respond to that need," said Alan Perris, president of Scripps Howard Productions.

"These services will give news departments a high-profile, competitive edge that will enable them to hold and attract new viewers while the sales departments can develop a new source of income through sponsorship," said Walter K. Gilbride, president of Walter K. Gilbride & Associates.

Walter K. Gilbride & Associates is a television syndication, marketing and sales consulting firm headquartered in Lexington, Mass.

Scripps Howard Productions, a subsidiary of the E.W. Scripps Company (NASDAQ: EWSCA), is involved in the development, production and marketing of programming for all segments of the television industry.

CONTACT: Alan Perris of Scripps Howard Productions, 305-595-9410; Walter K. Gilbride of Walter K. Gilbride & Associates, 617-861-8713, or Rich Boehne of The E.W. Scripps Company, 513-977-3826

-30- 2216
#90339p0381 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Amerada Hess Corporation (NYSE: AHC) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share payable on the common stock of the corporation on Dec. 31, 1990, to holders of record at the close of business on Dec. 17.

CONTACT: C.T. Tursi of Amerada Hess, 212-536-8593

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#90339p0385 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Bow Valley Industries Ltd. (AMEX,

Toronto, Montreal: BVI) announced today that the board of directors has declared the following dividends payable on Dec. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 17, 1990:

$0.5125 per share on the $2.05 Cumulative Redeemable Class D, Preferred Shares Series 1.

U.S. $0.50 per share on the U.S. $2.00 Cumulative Redeemable Class D Preferred Shares, Series 2.

$0.50625 per share on the $2.025 Cumulative Redeemable Convertible Class D Preferred Shares, Series 3.

$0.46875 per share on the $1.875 Cumulative Redeemable Convertible Class D Preferred Shares, Series 4.

CONTACT: H.K. Lazelle, VP Investor Relations, Bow Valley Industries Ltd., 403-261-6143

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#90339p0388 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - National Bancard Corporation (NaBANCO), a wholly owned subsidiary of First Financial Management Corporation (NYSE: FFM) (FFMC), today announced that it has purchased the merchant credit card contracts of Southeast Bank, N.A. Southeast has one of the 10 largest merchant credit card portfolios in the U.S., providing Visa and MasterCard merchant services nationally with a strong concentration in Florida.

The portfolio has annual merchant credit card volume of approximately $2.7 billion, a total customer base of 7,000, with a mix of large national and regional customers plus a broad base of traditional merchants. In addition, the 232 branch network of Southeast Bank will continue to offer merchant bankcard services in conjunction with this transaction.

NaBANCO also recently purchased the merchant credit card contracts of the Bank of New York (NYSE: BK). The Bank of New York is a major provider of Visa and MasterCard merchant services in the Northeast, especially in the metropolitan New York area, with a portfolio of approximately $525 million in annual credit card volume. The Bank of New York has developed a strong base of approximately 5,000 traditional merchants.

The Bank of New York's 252 branches will also continue to offer merchant bankcard services.

In making this announcement, Paul R. Garcia, president and chief executive officer of NaBANCO said, "We are very pleased with this expansion of our services in the strategically important markets of Florida and New York.

These 12,000 merchant customers will be a valuable addition to NaBANCO's national presence and will significantly enhance our leading position in the merchant credit card business. We welcome the relationship with these fine financial organizations and look forward to serving their ongoing merchant bankcard needs."

NaBANCO is a wholly owned subsidiary of First Financial Management Corporation. FFMC is an information services company which offers a broad range of data processing and related services to a large and diverse customer base. Its common stock is currently traded on the NYSE under the symbol FFM. Its debentures are quoted through NASDAQ under the symbol FFMCG.

CONTACT: Paul R. Garcia, president and chief executive officer or James A. Holmes, national marketing manager, both of National Bancard Corporation, 305-785-2100; or Elaine Azen of Azen & Associates, 305-772-1001, for NaBANCO

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#90339p0393 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FLA. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - FRP Properties, Inc. (NASDAQ: FRPP) announced today improved fourth quarter and full year results.

FOURTH QUARTER RESULTS Revenues increased 41 percent to $10,859,000 from $7,722,000 and gross profit increased 43 percent to $2,056,000 from $1,434,000. Net income increased 53 percent to $475,000 from $310,000. Correspondingly, earnings per share increased to $.11 per share from $.07 per share.

Revenues and gross profit increased in both the Transportation and Real Estate segments. The increase in Transportation is due primarily to the Mabbett acquisition in October of 1989.

FISCAL 1990 RESULTS Revenues for fiscal 1990 were $41,624,000, up 29 percent from $32,376,000 in fiscal 1989. Gross profit increased 26 percent to $9,212,000 from $7,310,000. Income before an accounting change increased 3 percent to $2,175,000 from $2,120,000 in fiscal 1989. Earnings per share before an accounting change increased 4 percent to $.49 from $.47 last year.

Transportation revenues increased 32 percent over 1989 primarily as a result of the Mabbett acquisition. Real estate revenues increased 15 percent principally due to higher rental income from development projects and royalties. Gross profit increased in 1990 due to the Mabbett acquisition and the increased revenues and margins in the real estate activities.

In accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board's Statement No. 96, effective Oct. 1, 1988 the company changed its method of accounting for deferred income taxes. The cumulative effect from prior years of this change

was to decrease net income in the first quarter of fiscal 1989 by $690,000 or $.15 per share. Consequently, net income for 1990 increased 52 percent to $2,175,000 ($.49 per share) from $1,430,000 ($.32 per share) for last year.

FRP Properties, Inc. is engaged in the transportation and real estate businesses. Its subsidiary, Florida Rock & Tank Lines, Inc., is a southeastern transportation company concentrating in the hauling by motor carrier of liquid and dry bulk commodities as well as construction aggregates. The company's real estate subsidiaries own revenue producing and investment properties and are engaged in real estate management and property development activities.

FRP PROPERTIES, INC.
SUMMARY OF CONSOLIDATED REVENUES AND EARNINGS
(Dollars in thousands except per share amounts)

FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER ENDED SEPT 30, 1990 AND 1989

	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 10,859	$ 7,722
Gross profit	$ 2,056	$ 1,434
Income before income taxes	$ 767	$ 489
Net income	$ 475	$ 310
Earnings per common share	$.11	$.07
Number of shares (A)	4,400,554	4,524,375

FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED SEPT. 30, 1990 AND 1989

	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 41,624	$ 32,376
Gross profit	$ 9,212	$ 7,310
Income before income taxes	$ 3,553	$ 3,456
Income before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle	$ 2,175	$ 2,120
Cumulative effect on prior years (to Sept. 30, 1988) of changing to the liability method for accounting for deferred income taxes	$ --	($ 690)
Net income	$ 2,175	$ 1,430
Earnings per common share:		
Before accounting change	$.49	$.47
Cumulative effect of accounting change	$ --	($.15)
Net income	$.49	$.32
Number of shares (A)	4,448,901	4,516,961

(A) -- Weighted average number of shares used in computing earnings per common share.

CONTACT: Ruggles B. Carlson, assistant treasurer of FRP Properties, Inc., 904-355-1781

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#90339p0395 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. PAUL, MINN. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - H.B. Fuller Company (NASDAQ: FULL) announced today that earnings for its fourth quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, appear to be substantially above those of fourth quarter 1989.

A large portion of the increase is from non-recurring insurance adjustment payments relating to property damage sustained in fires earlier this year at facilities in Austria and Spain and a slight tax benefit which reduces the extraordinary loss relating to looting early in the year in Panama.

Final fourth-quarter and full-year sales and earnings totals are due to be announced by the company on Jan. 10, 1991.

H.B. Fuller Company is a worldwide manufacturer and marketer of specialty chemical products, including adhesives, sealants, coatings, paints, waxes and sanitation chemicals, with Fiscal 1989 sales of $753 million.

CONTACT: Richard Edwards of H.B. Fuller, 612-647-3650

-30- 1073
#90339p0401 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
TAMPA, FL. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Blevins Concession Supply Company, Inc. announces the acquisition of the assets of Korn Za Poppin' of Florida, Inc. on Nov. 19, 1990. The acquisition will expand the company's present operations in Tampa and South Florida.

Korn Za Poppin', which becomes a division of Blevins, specializes in prepopped popcorn and the manufacture of popcorn warmers to service the hospitality industry. Two tons of raw popcorn per month are used in its operation.

Korn Za Poppin' was started in 1974, in Tampa, by Tim Curtin, who will remain as vice president. Curtin and his partner, Ron Diner, grew the company to its present 750 customers in central and southern Florida.

Blevins supplies concession items such as candy, popcorn and related equipment snack foods, paper products and janitorial supplies to theaters and retailers. The acquisition of Korn Za Poppin' will expand Blevins' customer base to include prepopped popcorn accounts.

Blevins' majority owner is Blackburn & Co., a Tampa investment firm.

CONTACT: Rod Brooker of Fahlgren Martin Benito, 813-287-8200 or 813-823-1882 (Pinellas), for Blevins Concession Supply Co., Inc.

-30- 1344

#90339p0402 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Paul E. Lego, chairman of Westinghouse Electric Corp. (NYSE: WX), today announced the appointment of two new executive vice presidents and the creation of a new Environmental Systems Group.

The executive vice presidents are: -- Anthony A. Massaro Jr., 46, who will head the new Environmental Systems Group. He most recently was vice president and general manager of the Industries and Environmental Services Business Unit.

-- Warren H. Hollinshead, 54, who becomes executive vice president, Finance. Formerly vice president and deputy, Finance, he succeeds Harry F. Murray, 60, who retired after a 39-year Westinghouse career.

In related changes, Gary M. Clark, 55, executive vice president, Industries, assumes expanded responsibilities with the title executive vice president, Industries and Corporate Resources, and Maurice C. Sardi, 55, executive vice president, Commercial and Corporate Resources, becomes chairman of The Knoll Group, which consolidates Westinghouse's expanded office furniture operations.

In addition to the Industries Group, Clark assumes responsibility for Westinghouse Communities, the corporation's Florida-based land development organization; the Science and Technology Center; Government Affairs; and Corporate Services.

The Environmental Systems Group includes Westinghouse units involved in the handling and remediation of toxic, hazardous and low-level nuclear waste; waste-to-energy systems; and management of Department of Energy nuclear facilities.

"Westinghouse is one of the nation's foremost companies in the environmental business. The formation of the Environmental Systems Group will enable Westinghouse to focus a powerful range of capabilities on one of the most attractive worldwide growth industries of the 1990s," Lego said.

CONTACT: Paul B. Jones of Westinghouse, 412-642-3713

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#90339p0406 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Daily News today commenced four civil suits against eight individuals seeking damages for the unlawful interference with distribution of the newspaper through assault, battery, theft and vandalism. The suits, brought in State Supreme Court, seek actual and punitive damages in excess of $100,000 from each defendant.

In one of the suits, the News alleges that a New York Times truck driver slammed his vehicle into the back of a Daily News truck on Nov. 3 on

Manhattan's West Side. The suit further alleges that the defendant subsequently assaulted the News driver, who had to be treated at a hospital for severe injuries. The defendant was arrested.

A second suit names four individuals who are accused of attacking News hawkers with baseball bats and crowbars. One of the News hawkers was struck across the back with a baseball bat, the suit alleges. The defendants in that suit were arrested by New York City Police.

A third suit alleges that a single defendant, along with approximately six unidentified people, illegally harassed and intimidated an independent contractor of the News who was responsible for delivering the paper. That same defendant, who is accused of threatening and assaulting another News independent contractor, was arrested.

In the fourth suit, two defendants are accused of attacking two News employees. Employees of the News were injured in that incident, the suit alleges.

"We are not going to let people use violence and intimidation to prevent the newspaper from getting into the hands of our readers," said News Publisher James Hoge. "If they try, they will be brought to justice and forced to pay for any damage they cause."

The News earlier brought three similar civil actions against 11 other individuals for unlawful interference with the business of delivering the News.

CONTACT: John Sloan of the Daily News, (212) 210-6349.

-30- 2117
#90339p0410 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir Express carrier Henson Aviation, Inc., has become the nation's first regional airline to receive a Federal Aviation Administration aircraft certification for TCAS -- Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance System, a high-technology device designed to insure proper separation between aircraft in flight.

The first USAir Express aircraft to be equipped and certified by FAA is a Henson Boeing DASH-8, 37-passenger prop-jet aircraft. The aircraft is equipped with a TCAS system manufactured by Honeywell, Inc. FAA certification was received in late November by Henson, a wholly-owned subsidiary of USAir Group, Inc. (NYSE: U).

"USAir Express takes great pride in becoming an industry leader in the TCAS program," said John F. Leonard, president and CEO of Henson Aviation, Inc. Leonard noted that "TCAS will provide an added margin of safety, complementing the air traffic control system and pilots' visual standards for maintaining

proper separation in the air."

TCAS allows pilots to track nearby aircraft on a radar display in the cockpit. When another aircraft comes within a "protected" zone around the TCAS-equipped airplane, the intruder's symbol on the display changes color and shape and a computerized voice warns the crew of nearby traffic. If necessary TCAS will announce the required maneuver such as "climb, climb, climb."

In May 1990, USAir became the nation's first major carrier to receive FAA certification for TCAS in a Boeing 737-400 jet. USAir has since installed dozens of the units in its jets and expects to have about one-fifth of its entire jet fleet equipped with the units by the end of the year.

Henson Aviation provides service as USAir Express to 40 cities in: Connecticut New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Florida and the Bahamas. Henson is based in Salisbury, Md.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, 703-418-5100, or 213-417-1294 (Western Region).

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#90339p0414 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitchell Energy & Development Corp. (AMEX: MND) today reported third-quarter earnings of $17.9 million, or 38 cents per share, up sharply from the $6.6 million, or 14 cents per share, earned in the same period of the prior year.

Also today, the board of directors increased the regular quarterly cash dividend rate 25 percent to 10 cents from 8 cents per share "in recognition of the company's improved performance and prospects," and declared a dividend at the new rate payable Dec. 28, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 20, 1990. The former rate had been in effect since last December.

Revenues for the third quarter, which ended Oct. 31, amounted to $214.1 million, compared with the year-earlier $152 million.

For the first nine months of the current fiscal year, the company earned $29.7 million, or 63 cents per share, on revenues of $534.8 million. Earnings in the comparable prior-year period amounted to $19.2 million, or 41 cents per share, on revenues of $458.7 million.

Chairman and President George P. Mitchell attributed the third-quarter earnings upturn principally to higher prices and volumes in the company's gas processing segment, which produces ethane, propane and other natural gas liquids. The company's weighted average price per barrel for gas liquids rose

to $18.27 in the third quarter from a depressed $9.45 in the same period last year. Its average daily gas liquids production rose to 37,500 barrels from 33,900 barrels.

Improved operating earnings in the gas gathering and transmission segment also contributed to the quarterly gain, Mitchell noted. The improvement resulted from higher gas throughput volumes and from margins that were up from the depressed level of the prior-year period.

Although its third-quarter natural gas volume was ahead of the prior-year period's, the company continued to curtail its gas sales in light of the depressed prices available on the spot market. Oil sales volumes and prices rose during the quarter.

Real Estate Division operating earnings for the third quarter were reduced by a $5 million pretax write-down on some of the company's resort properties. Demand for these second-home properties remains soft, Mitchell said, even though sales of primary homes and lots are at or near record levels in The Woodlands, the master-planned community the company is developing in the northern Houston metro area.

Mitchell Energy & Development is a large independent energy company with real estate interests. Its shares are listed on the American and Pacific exchanges.

CONTACT: Charles Simpson or Tony Lentini, both of Mitchell Energy & Development Corp., 713-377-5650

-30- 2940

#90339p0418 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Houston Lighting & Power Company (HL&P) today announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of $1.00 per share on its $4 Preferred Stock.

The dividend is payable February 1, 1991, to holders of record at the close of business on January 16, 1991.

Sandy Brendler, (713) 629-3123, or Dan Bulla, (713) 629-3120, both of Houston Industries.

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#90339p0420 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Shell Oil Co. announced today projected capital and exploratory expenditures of $3.3 billion for 1991, up more than $400 million over 1990's estimated spending.

"Shell's 1991 spending plans reflect our commitment to maintaining a steady

course through a volatile and uncertain business climate," said Shell Oil President and Chief Executive Officer Frank H. Richardson.

"Our investment program is an extension of strategies in place for some time and has not been materially impacted by the recent run-up in oil prices," Richardson said.

About $2 billion, or 60 percent of total 1991 spending has been earmarked predominantly for exploration and development of domestic oil and gas, with about half of E&P spending planned for the Gulf of Mexico. The $200 million E&P increase over 1990 spending mainly reflects construction and development of Shell's deepwater Auger project in the Gulf of Mexico. Development of the previously announced $1.3 billion Auger project includes installation of a tension leg platform in a world-record water depth of 2,860 feet.

Looking ahead, the Company expects during 1991 to reverse its production decline of the past few years, as both oil and natural gas production are forecasted to increase.

Additional 1991 planned capital expenditures include about $800 million in Shell's oil products business and approximately $280 million for use in the company's chemical business.

For 1990, the company said expenditures should total about $2.8 billion, including about $1.8 billion for exploration and production, about $640 million for oil products, and about $240 million for chemical products. Total capital and exploratory expenditures were $2.4 billion in 1989, and $3.3 billion in 1988.

CONTACT: H. R. Hutchins, 713-241-4544, or E. A. Pengelly, 713-241-4544, or N. Altstedter, 214-632-4888

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#90339p0421 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

EXTON, PA. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Intelligent Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: INEL), the world's largest chain of microcomputer dealers in terms of revenue and locations, today announced that all final contingencies to its agreement to accelerate the integration of Connecting Point of America Inc. have been satisfied.

Richard D. Sanford, Intelligent Electronic's chairman and chief executive officer, said early integration of the chain is possible because CPA achieved the operating results which afford the maximum payment under the 1989 agreement, providing for the acquisition of CPA.

"We focused on completing the integration as soon as possible," Sanford explained, "because the operating efficiencies we achieve will enhance our

mission of providing world-class, second-to-none service to our customers."

The agreement for Intelligent Electronics to purchase CPA was announced in May 1989. In September 1990, the agreement was amended, subject to the satisfaction of final contingencies, to allow Intelligent Electronics to proceed with an early integration of the subsidiary's operations. The final payment of the remaining $18 million of purchase price, which had been contingent upon CPA's operating results through March 31, 1991, is now certain as all contingencies have been satisfied. Payment will be made in the first half of 1991.

With the CPA chain, the Intelligent Electronics network is composed of approximately 1,000 stores also including Entre Computer Centers and Todays Computers Business Centers. Intelligent's centers serve small and mid-sized businesses in more than 500 market regions throughout all 50 states, plus Canada and Guam.

Intelligent is known for its consistent, high-growth performance and, as announced in its year-end earnings release Dec. 3, has completed 28 consecutive quarters of record revenues and profitability. To accommodate its growth, the company recently put into place five divisions: Franchise, International, Corporate Services, Company Center and Distribution Services. CPA's headquarters, located in Denver, serve as the site for Intelligent's Franchise Division.

CONTACT: Patrice W. Johnson, vice president of Intelligent Electronics, 215-458-6706

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#90339p0423 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of trustees of the Chicago Dock and Canal Trust (NASDAQ: DOCKS) declared a dividend of $.07 per share payable on March 1, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Feb. 15, 1991.

This dividend compares to $.06 per share for the same period last year. The Chicago Dock and Canal Trust is a real estate investment trust engaged primarily in the business of acquiring and holding real estate and interests in real estate for investment. The trust, formed in 1962, is successor to the Chicago Dock and Canal Company, founded in 1857 by Chicago's first mayor, William Ogden. The trust's assets include ownership of a major interest in the Equitable Building and a substantial portion of the land at Cityfront Center, a major mixed-use development, both in Chicago. The trust also owns Kipling Plaza (a 90,000-square-foot shopping center in suburban Denver), Lincoln Garden (a 73,000-square-foot office complex in Tampa, Fla.), Waterplace Park (a 107,000-square-foot office complex in Indianapolis), and One Michigan Avenue (a 144,000-square-foot office building in Lansing, Mich.).

CONTACT: Amy Hecker of the Chicago Dock & Canal Trust, 312-467-1870, or Mike Aabram or Amy Collins of Edelman Public Relations, 312-280-7000, for Chicago Dock & Canal Trust

-30- 1478

#90339p0424 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Computer Network Technology Corporation (CNT) (NASDAQ: CMNT) today announced the completion of the funding of the previously announced sale of 436,364 shares of CNT's common stock for $1.2 million to its new Japanese distributor, Kanematsu Electronics Limited (KEL), and Kanematsu-USA.

KEL is a subsidiary of the multi-billion-dollar parent, Kanematsu Corporation, a leading integrated trading company in Japan. KEL markets and supports a range of computer peripheral equipment, communication systems and industrial CAD/CAM application systems.

Computer Network Technology Corporation develops, manufactures and markets high speed Extended Channel Networking products for the interconnection of mainframe computers, computer peripheral devices, and data base computers over unlimited distances. The company's common stock is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol CMNT.

CONTACT: John Brintnall of Computer Network Technology, 612-440-4466

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#90339p0428 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORT HURON, MICH. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Southeastern Michigan Gas Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ: SMGS) reported that its Southeastern Michigan Gas Company subsidiary received an MPSC order in its Gas Cost Recovery Reconciliation cases approving a settlement agreement of the 90/10 rule issue.

Today (Wednesday, Dec. 5), the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) issued an order involving Case Nos. U-8632-R, U-8953-R and U-9282-R approving a settlement agreement regarding the 90/10 refund issue. The settlement agreement allows Southeastern to refund $1,442,626, which includes interest through mid-December, to its customers in the billing month of December 1990. Because Southeastern recorded a $900,000 provision in June 1990 for possible 90/10 refunds, this settlement will necessitate only a further provision of $542,626 in 1990.

The total amount at issue in these three cases, including interest through mid-December, was approximately $2,600,000. In addition to the monetary settlement, Southeastern has agreed with the MPSC staff to make revenue from most transportation customers subject to the 90/10 rule. The 90/10 rule provides for refunds to customers of 90 percent of certain revenue received

from some customer classes above a base level of revenue.

The company is pleased that it was able to settle the 90/10 issue with the MPSC staff and commission without a long, drawn out legal battle.

Southeastern Michigan Gas Company serves natural gas to approximately 80,000 customers in Michigan.

Enterprises is the parent company of six wholly owned subsidiaries: Southeastern Michigan Gas Company (Port Huron); Battle Creek Gas Company (Battle Creek, Mich.); Michigan Gas Company (Three Rivers, Mich.); Southeastern Development Company (Port Huron); Southeastern Financial Services Inc. (Port Huron); and SEMCO Energy Services, Inc. (Port Huron).

CONTACT: Allan E. Peattie of Southeastern Michigan Gas Enterprises, Inc., 313-987-2200

-30- 2150

#90339p0430 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corp. (NASDAQ: MCIC) and A.G. Edwards & Sons Inc. today announced a five-year, $27 million agreement under which MCI will provide virtually all long-distance telecommunications services for the St. Louis-based brokerage firm and its 428 offices in 48 states.

Under terms of the competitive award, MCI will supply A.G. Edwards with:

-- Vnet virtual network long-distance services for domestic and international calling that include a variety of customer-tailored network management and routing software features. Vnet features the most advanced customer control system in telecommunications today and will link A.G. Edwards' branches in their own nationwide network.

-- Toll-free 800 service for A.G. Edwards' offices nationwide. -- Customized telephone credit cards with the firm's name imprinted on each card.

"We are pleased and confident that our partnership with MCI will enable us to maintain and enhance our long-standing tradition of providing quality service to our customers," Charles Zurfluh, vice president of branch operations of A.G. Edwards & Sons, said.

A.G. Edwards & Sons is the sixth-largest brokerage firm in the United States and is the largest one with headquarters outside New York. The firm provides its customers with a full range of financial products and services as well as investment banking services.

"MCI is proud to solidify our partnership with A.G. Edwards, one of the most

respected financial service institutions in the country," Bert C. Roberts Jr., president and chief operating officer of MCI Communications Corp., said "This agreement further underscores MCI's commitment to providing the financial community with the full array of telecommunications solutions for today's global economy."

MCI is the second-largest long-distance provider in the nation, employing advanced fiber optics, digital microwave and satellite technologies in its extensive catalogue of products. The company supplies businesses, residences and government agencies with a host of worldwide voice, data and messaging services.

CONTACT: Kent Martin of MCI, 314-342-7312 (office) or 314-225-9296 (home)

-30- 2397

#90339p0432 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, VA. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Vie de France Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: VDEF) today announced several moves intended to reduce its operating losses.

Richard M. Tolbert, president, stated that the company has decided to permanently close a minimum of 12 under-performing restaurants. In addition to the closings, it is anticipated that five other restaurants will be sold. Agreements have been finalized for the sale of two Orange County, Calif., operations with a development agreement for two additional franchise units. Tentative agreements are in place for the sale of three additional restaurants. The closings and sale of restaurants reduces by nearly one-third the number of company-owned locations and is part of the company's announced strategy to have company-owned stores in the core areas of Washington and Chicago only. A charge against earnings of $4.5 million will be booked in the second quarter to reflect the write off of assets and other closing costs.

He further stated that in addition to these measures, a significant profit improvement program is being implemented in the wholesale bakery and restaurant operations, which includes manpower reductions, a hiring freeze, a salary and wage freeze, salary cuts for top management and selective price increases.

Tolbert reported that the impacts of these actions will improve the profits of the entire company by significantly reducing its exposure in restaurants, improving further its bakery operations and covering the startup of its Culinary Division sous vide operation which is moving quickly toward breakeven.

In commenting on the restaurant closures, Tolbert said the company is still committed to the restaurant business because the restaurants are major outlets for the company's baked goods and are very important in promoting the Vie de France trademark. The company's expressed strategy has been to grow through franchising, and soon there will be several franchise locations in operation.

Two Vie de France franchises owned by Marriott Corporation recently opened in the Phoenix Airport utilizing the "Express Cafe" concept, which is expected to be the company's major franchise vehicle of the future.

CONTACT: Richard M. Tolbert of Vie de France, 703-442-9205

-30- 2445

#90339p0437 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to shareholder and media inquiries regarding the results of the Sutherland/Rosenstein offer to purchase some (but not all) shares of Justin Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: JSTN), the company announced today that as of Nov. 20, 1990, the previously scheduled expiration date of the Sutherland/Rosenstein offer, owners of 65 percent of the outstanding shares (and nearly 75 percent of the shares not owned by the Sutherland/Rosenstein group) have rejected the Sutherland/Rosenstein offer.

The board of directors of Justin (the board) recommended unanimously and in the strongest possible terms that all Justin shareholders reject the Sutherland/Rosenstein offer.

The board believes that now is not the time to consider a sale of Justin and it is gratified by continuing shareholder support for its views, as reflected by the continuing failure of the Sutherland/Rosenstein offer despite several extensions.

The board has observed that the Sutherland/Rosenstein offer is not an all cash offer for all shares. In the board's view, the offer is hostile, not fully financed, dependent on junk bonds, two-tiered and coercive.

Wholly apart from the need for financing, the offer is highly conditional, including a requirement that owners of two-thirds of the outstanding shares tender. Since nearly two-thirds of the outstanding shares have rejected the offer, it is clear that the offer is far short of its required minimum. Moreover, directors and executive officers of Justin own or control 23 percent of the common stock, and no director or executive officer intends to tender any shares. An additional 16 percent of the company's shares is held for the benefit of the company's employees.

John Justin, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Justin, concluded the announcement by stating that the "board is committed to building further values in Justin and will continue taking all appropriate steps to protect shareholder interests."

Justin Industries includes Justin Boot Co. and Nocona Boot Co. -- makers of famed Justin(R) and Nocona(R) footwear and now the Tony Lama(R) brand; Acme Brick Co. -- the top domestically owned U.S. manufacturer of face brick; Ceramic Cooling Tower Co. -- designer/builder of cooling systems for utility

and commercial users, manufacturers of Permalite(R), Ultralite(R), and Unilite(R) cooling towers plus Tradewinds(R) evaporative air coolers for residential and commercial needs; Featherlite Building Products Corp. -- leading Southwest producer of concrete masonry products; and Northland Publishing Co. -- publisher of fine books focused on the art and history of the American West.

CONTACT: Richard J. Savitz of Justin Industries, 817-390-2412

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#90339p0442 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, ID (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Boise Cascade Corp. (NYSE: BCC) announced today the public offering of $100 million of 10.125 percent notes due in 1997 at 99.692 percent of their face value. The notes are noncallable.

The net proceeds of the offering will be used for repayment of short-term debt and general corporate purposes.

The First Boston Corp., Goldman, Sachs & Co., Lazard Freres & Co., and Salomon Brothers Inc. are the underwriters for the notes.

Boise Cascade Corp. is an integrated forest products company headquartered in Boise, Idaho, with operations located primarily in the United States and Canada. The company manufactures and distributes paper and paper products, office products, and building products and owns and manages timberland to support these operations.

CONTACT: Scott Lamb of Boise Cascade Corp., 208-384-7675, or after hours, 208-343-8380.

-30- 1063

#90339p0443 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif. (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - On Nov. 14 McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co. finalized a medium expendable launch vehicle services contract with NASA to supply Delta II launch services for a five-year period.

Patterned after commercial contracts, the $140.6 million contract comes under NASA's Mixed Fleet Program and includes three scientific missions, launch pad modifications at Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., and pre-priced options for 12 additional launches. Because of the 30-month lead time for a launch, exercise of an option at the end of the five-year period would extend the contract through mid- 1998.

"We see this as a logical step in the development of the Delta program," said Donald Tutwiler, McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) director of NASA/SDIO and Commercial Programs, Delta Launch Vehicle Division. "In the past we provided

NASA with the hardware. This is a commercial approach with McDonnell Douglas also supplying launch services."

The contract calls for the launch of the first satellite, Geotail, to be aboard a 6925 configuration of the Delta II rocket. The next two, Wind and Polar, will be launched on 7925 vehicles with 10-foot fairings. The 7925 is the most powerful version of the current Delta II family and features graphite epoxy solid motors.

The Geotail and Wind satellites are scheduled to be launched from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla., in July 1992 and December 1992, respectively. Polar will be launched from Air Force Base, Calif., in June 1993.

McDonnell Douglas had been under a letter contract since Nov. 7, 1989 to support the launch of the three payloads.

CONTACT: Anne McCauley, 714-896-6211, or Sheila Carter, 714-896-1302, of McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co.

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NORCROSS, GA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Stockholder Systems Inc. (SSI), a NYNEX company, announced today the acquisition of the software, software licenses and consulting contracts of Baseline Inc., an Atlanta-based software development and programming services company.

Baseline's current customers are now customers of SSI. The newly acquired software for report distribution, optical disk archival and retrieval will be added to SSI's recently created Distributed Systems Division which is involved with emerging PC LAN and optical disk technology. Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed. In a related development, Ward Phillips, president of Baseline, has joined SSI as a vice president of development in the Distributed Systems Division.

The report distribution system includes software which downloads reports or data from IBM mainframe computers to an IBM PC or IBM PC LAN server and archives the reports or data on optical disk devices connected to the PC or LAN server. The software then enables users to browse the information on screen, print on laser printers, upload for printing on mainframe printers, manage forms capture and display as well as provide FAX communications for all PC users connected to the LAN. The system employs widely available Write Only Read Many (WORM) optical storage technology.

"We set up the Distributed Systems Division to acquire and develop value-added software offerings for our current customers, as well as to allow us to move into some non-financial markets with niche products," said Larry A. Dean,

president of SSI. "The products in this acquisition fit perfectly within that strategy because they are compatible with our mainframe computer software and our customers have expressed interest in finding alternatives to traditional paper and microfiche reports."

According to Paul Thornburg, president of this new division: "This is a very important area for many of SSI's current customers. Corporate MIS managers are always searching for ways to improve service and reduce cost. We believe optical disk technology can be used effectively to accomplish both objectives. And the fact that this system is Local Area Network-based makes it exceptionally cost competitive."

Founded in 1971, SSI designs, markets and supports a line of financial application software for IBM and IBM-compatible computers. SSI has over 1,200 customers who use SSI's software for check processing, securityholder recordkeeping, electronic funds transfer, cash management, lease accounting, loan origination, safe box accounting, report distribution, loan recovery, loan servicing and secondary marketing. SSI is a member of the NYNEX (NYSE: NYN) family of companies.

CONTACT: Paul Thornburg, president of Distributed Systems Division, 404-840-1289, or Jimmy Locklear of Stockholder Systems, 404-840-1401

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ST. LOUIS, (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Wetterau Properties Inc. (NASDAQ: WTPR) has declared a cash dividend of 36 cents per common share, payable Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 21, 1990. This semiannual payment brings the company's total dividend to 70 cents for the year, an increase of 40 percent over the prior year's dividend.

Wetterau Properties Inc., a real estate investment trust company traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, currently owns a total of 29 properties representing 3.5 million square feet of space.

CONTACT: Carl N. Ranger of Wetterau Properties Inc., 314-595-4193

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#90339p0454 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - At the annual meeting today of Buckeye Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: BCKY), shareholders voted to approve the proposal to adopt the agreement to merge with National City Corporation (NYSE: NCC) of Cleveland, according to Robert W. Strouse, president and managing officer of Buckeye Federal Savings and Loan Association.

Strouse said that Buckeye Federal Savings and Loan would merge with BancOhio

National Bank of Columbus, Ohio, a member of National City Corporation, as soon as practical after regulatory approval is received.

CONTACT: Robert W. Strouse of Buckeye Financial Corporation, 614-899-4159

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#90339p0456 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) has entered into an agreement with The Prudential Insurance Co. of America to purchase group annuity contracts that will provide benefits to about 21,600 retired participants in the company's hourly retirement income plans and to about 1,100 retired participants in the company's salaried retirement income plan.

The current purchase is intended to strengthen the benefit security under McDonnell Douglas' retirement programs. Retirees affected by this action now have their benefits guaranteed by one of the oldest, largest and financially strongest insurance companies in the United States. This action also increased the ratio of plan assets to liabilities for remaining participants.

McDonnell Douglas announced on Sept. 10 that it had entered into a similar arrangement with Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. to purchase of a group annuity contract to provide benefits to about 14,200 retired participants in the company's salaried retirement income plan.

As a result of these two transactions, McDonnell Douglas' results for 1990 will include after-tax gains of approximately $370 million or $9.66 per share in 1990.

Third quarter results included a $234 million after-tax gain or $6.11 per share, and the fourth quarter results will include an after-tax gain of approximately $136 million or $3.55 per share.

These gains represent a portion of the excess of the market value of the plans' assets over the projected benefit obligations. No plan assets will revert to McDonnell Douglas and no cash will be received by the company as a result of these transactions.

The purchase of these annuity contracts in no way alters the benefits due affected retirees or the manner in which the payments are made. These actions affect the majority of participants who terminated employment prior to Nov. 27 1989 and are receiving benefits under the plan.

CONTACT: Barbara Anderson of McDonnell Douglas Corp., (314) 233-2865.

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#90339p0461 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Harris Trust and Savings Bank said today it has asked lawyers for Continental Airlines to amend its bankruptcy filing which lists the bank as a creditor of the airline.

In fact, neither Harris Trust and Savings Bank nor any of its subsidiaries or affiliates, is a creditor of Continental Airlines.

CONTACT: Mary Ullrich of Harris Trust and Savings, 312-461-6905

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#90339p0464 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) today announced that it is commencing tomorrow a cash tender offer for all of the outstanding common shares of NCR Corporation at a price of $90 per share. AT&T said it has notified NCR Chairman Charles E. Exley of its offer via letter.

NCR has approximately 68 million shares on a fully diluted basis, giving the transaction a total value of approximately $6.1 billion. The $90 price represents a premium of 88 percent over the price of NCR shares on November 7, 1990, the day before a transaction was first rumored in the press.

"Although at this time we have not been able to reach agreement, we are still hopeful that a friendly merger will be arranged between our two very compatible computer businesses," said Robert E. Allen, AT&T chairman.

"This combination is of clear strategic benefit to both companies and offers a premium price to NCR shareholders. We continue to have great respect for NCR's management team and want them to manage a combined computer enterprise which we are confident will become a world leader in networked computing.

"However, now that NCR's board has rejected our $90 per share offer, we believe AT&T should make it possible for NCR shareholders to decide for themselves whether to accept our offer," he said.

The tender offer and withdrawal rights will expire at 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on January 4, 1991, unless extended. The offer is subject to financing and various other conditions. AT&T believes it will be able to obtain the necessary financing.

"We are entering an era in which the survival of stand-alone computer companies will be sorely challenged, particularly from abroad," Allen said. "This merger will produce a strong American company with excellent prospects for succeeding in the global marketplace."

The Dealer Manager for the tender offer is Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated. The Information Agent is Morrow & Co., Inc.

CONTACT: Walter Murphy, (201) 221-6900, or home, (201) 822-3466, or Dick Gray, (201) 221-5057, or home, (201) 232-3706, both of AT&T.

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#90339p0469 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, AZ (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Smitty's has become the first major supermarket in Arizona to introduce "Shopper's Express," a unique home delivery service allowing customers to order groceries over the telephone or by fax.

"Smitty's Shoppers Express makes same-day or next-day delivery the ultimate in grocery shopping convenience," stated Steve Weiskittel, executive vice president of Smitty's Super Valu Inc.

"For today's consumer, time is money. At Smitty's, we are always looking for ways to save both. Shopper's Express will be of great value to our customers in this busy, time-pressured world."

Smitty's Shoppers Express program includes all grocery items excluding alcohol all items from Smitty's specialty shops, and selected general merchandise.

All items will be available for delivery Monday through Friday at the same in-store price. Delivery customers pay a fee of $9.95 for same-day or next-day delivery or $11.95 if payment is made with a credit card.

To assist customers in placing their grocery order, a free Shoppers Express catalog will be available at all Smitty's stores. Customers can order from the selected catalog items and also, choose from thousands of other items available at Smitty's.

Customers can place orders anytime, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, by calling a toll-free number - 1-800-284-SHOP. Once the order is placed through the toll-free number, it is sent to the Smitty's store nearest the customer's home for processing.

"Shoppers Express phone center uses state-of-the-art technology which enables customers to place their orders fast and efficiently, yet with a personal touch," Weiskittel stated.

Shoppers Express, a Bethesda, Md.-based company, will work exclusively with Smitty's to provide this innovative and convenient home delivery service in the Phoenix Metropolitan area.

CONTACT: John Trottier, Kirk Reinke or Pat Ingram, (602) 262-1000, of Smitty's Super Valu Inc.

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#90339p0470 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
DAYTON, OH (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - NCR Corporation (NYSE: NCR) announced today that its board of directors approved an amendment to NCR's Shareholder Rights Plan and adopted a resolution opting out of Maryland's Control Share Acquisition Statute.

The amendment to NCR's Rights Plan provides, among other things, that the rights will become exercisable after a person or group acquires 15 percent or more of the company's common stock, lowering the previous 20 percent level.

In addition, the amendment adds an automatic "flip-in" feature. If a person or group acquires 15 percent or more of NCR's common stock each right would entitle the holder, other than the 15 percent stockholder, to purchase preferred shares having a market value equal to twice the rights' exercise price, which is presently $175 per share.

The company also amended its By-laws to provide that the Maryland Control Share Acquisition Statute will not apply to an acquisition of shares of its common stock.

The Maryland Control Share Acquisition Statute removes voting rights from shares of voting stock acquired by a shareholder if the acquisition results in the shareholder having voting power in excess of certain specified levels. The Statute provides that voting rights may be restored to the shares if approved by a vote of the shareholders.

CONTACT: Lola Signom, (513) 445-2257; Connie Olasz, (513) 445-1139; Robert Farkas, (513) 445-2078; Mark Feighery, (513) 445-2033; Jim Cortese, (513) 445-2009; or Kelly Kramer, (513) 445-2058; all of NCR Corporation.

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#90339p0482 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire
ANKENY, IA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Casey's General Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: CASY) announced today that it has been named as a defendant in a lawsuit filed on Dec. 4, 1990, by five Iowa retail petroleum dealers, on behalf of an alleged class of such dealers.

The complaint, filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa, alleges that by selling gasoline at "very low prices" Casey's violated federal antitrust laws and state unfair discrimination laws and interfered with prospective business advantages.

The complaint seeks as relief a permanent injunction enjoining such practices, unspecified monetary damages (to be trebled as provided by law) and attorney's fees.

Donald F. Lamberti, chairman and chief executive officer of Casey's, said that the lawsuit has been referred to the company's legal counsel. "Our goal always has been to sell gasoline at competitive prices," said Lamberti. "We think it is important for our customers in smaller towns to enjoy the benefits of our efficient operations."

The company does not believe it has engaged in any illegal conduct and intends to contest the matter vigorously.

Casey's operates 774 convenience stores in an eight-state Midwest market area, with headquarters in Ankeny. Of the 774 stores, 571 are corporate-owned and 203 stores are franchise outlets. There are 293 Casey's stores in Iowa.

CONTACT: Eli Wirtz of Casey's General Stores Inc., (515) 965-6500.

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#90339p0484 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Just in time for Christmas shopping, Southwest Airlines has put its already low Fun Fares on sale.

Fun Fares will be discounted up to 48 percent, with 21-day advance purchase Fun Fares starting as low as $20 one way.

A few examples of the $20 Fun Fares are: from Chicago Midway to Detroit (City or Metro), St. Louis, or Kansas City; Houston to Dallas, Austin, or San Antonio; Austin to Dallas; San Antonio to Dallas; Oakland to Burbank or Reno; Ontario to Las Vegas or Oakland; San Diego to San Francisco or Las Vegas; Phoenix to Albuquerque, El Paso, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Ontario (Calif.), or San Diego.

Examples of other 21-day advance purchase Fun Fares are: Reno to Las Vegas, $29; Houston to New Orleans, $29; Dallas to Albuquerque, $45; Austin to Phoenix, $55; San Antonio to Las Vegas, $65; Reno to San Antonio, $75; Chicago Midway to Houston, $79; and Houston to Los Angeles, $95.

Fares can be reserved and purchased immediately and are good for travel from Jan. 3 through Feb. 28, 1991.

Southwest offers both 21-day advance purchase Fun Fares, which are the lowest, and 3-day advance purchase Fun Fares for slightly higher. Fun Fares are priced for both peak (6:00 a.m. - 6:59 p.m., Monday through Friday) and off peak (7:00 p.m. - 5:59 a.m., Monday through Friday and all day Saturday and Sunday) travel periods. Fun Fare tickets must be purchased within 24 hours of making reservations and are nonrefundable. Other restrictions apply.

"These lower Fun Fares are being offered in conjunction with Southwest's 20th anniversary celebration -- we want to thank our Customers for their loyalty

which is responsible for our success," said Valentine. "It is our financial strength and lower costs which permit Southwest Airlines to offer the lowest fares in the industry. Other programs we are offering for our 20 years of service include a sale on our already low Senior Fares and our $20 Take Along Fares, both of which have special appeal to price-conscious Customers."

For reservations or information, call Southwest Airlines' local reservations number.

CONTACT: Southwest Airlines Public Relations, 214-904-4413

-30- 2377

#90339p0489 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Hayes Microcomputer Products Inc. today announced that a trial date has been set for Jan. 4, 1991, in United States District Court, Northern District of California, San Francisco.

Hayes is pursuing patent infringement actions against Ven-tel Inc., Prometheus Products Inc., Omnitel Inc., and Everex Systems Inc.

Hayes seeks an injunction against further manufacture of modems that infringe the Heatherington U.S. Patent No. 4,549,302 as well as damages for past infringement, attorneys' fees, prejudgment interest, and treble damages for willful infringement.

The Heatherington '302 patent, issued on Oct. 22, 1985, applies to modems that require receipt of an escape sequence bounded by a guard time to escape to the command mode and covers all modems that can truthfully make the claim to be Hayes-compatible. An escape sequence allows the modem to change or "escape" from the on-line mode of operation (receiving/transmitting data) to the command mode (interpreting the Hayes Standard "AT" Command Set).

In recent events concerning this San Francisco case, presiding Judge Samuel A. Conti has granted Hayes motions for summary judgment requesting dismissal of all antitrust claims against Hayes. In addition, the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals denied the infringers' request to appeal Judge Conti's refusal to declare the patent invalid on summary judgment.

A second action involves claims for patent infringement by Hayes against Multitech Inc., in the United States District Court, District of Minnesota, 4th Division, Minneapolis. The date for a trial in this action has not yet been set.

Hayes is pursuing corresponding patents globally. On May 31, 1989, Hayes was granted a corresponding patent by the European Patent Office (EPO) which resulted in four national patents: France (No. E0067395), West Germany (No. P3279750.8-08), Italy (No. 21810BE/89), and the United Kingdom (No. GB0067395).

Hayes also holds Canadian Patent No. 1,186,080, issued on April 23, 1985, that covers the same invention.

Licensing under these patents is available on a non-exclusive basis with royalties typical of licenses in the high tech industry. Fifteen modem manufacturers have entered into license agreements with Hayes under the Heatherington '302 patent. Companies may obtain further information about licensing the patent by contacting Hayes Business Development at Hayes World Headquarters (P.O. 105203, Atlanta, GA 30348).

Best known as the leader in microcomputer modems, Hayes develops, supplies and supports computer communications equipment and software for personal computer and computer communications networks. The company distributes its products through an international network of authorized distributors, dealers and original equipment manufacturers.

CONTACT: Peggy Ballard or Beth Logan of Hayes Microcomputer Products, 404-449-8791.

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#90339p0491 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways announced today that it had obtained a further short term waiver from United Technologies of certain payments due from the proceeds that Pan Am received from the recent transfer of its Internal German Service to Lufthansa. Pan Am also said that it had been unable to reach agreement with Airbus Industrie on the extension of a waiver previously granted the company on terms acceptable to Pan Am. As a result, Airbus and other creditors and lessors have remedies available to them which, if exercised, would result in acceleration of amounts due under various agreements, the termination of leases and the foreclosure on collateral.

Pan Am said it is continuing to hold discussions with these and other creditors on the long-term deferral of obligations.

CONTACT: Pamela Hanlon of Pan Am, 212-247-2800.

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#90339p0504 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI, (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle-Picher Industries Inc. (NYSE: EPI) announced today that it has signed a memorandum of understanding of proposed settlement with two of the four counsel appointed by Federal Judge Jack B. Weinstein to represent present and future asbestos personal injury claimants, on a settlement of all asbestos-related personal injury claims against Eagle-Picher. Discussions with the other two class representatives are continuing. This agreement has been submitted to the court as part of the

report by plaintiffs' counsel on the progress of the settlement negotiations. The agreement is conditioned on there being a final certification of a mandatory nationwide class consisting of all present and future asbestos personal injury claimants, upon approval of the settlement by the court and by the shareholders of Eagle-Picher, and on the execution of a definitive agreement. A court hearing on the proposed class certification is scheduled to begin on Dec. 7, 1990.

Should the class action be certified and the other conditions satisfied, the effective date of the proposed settlement would be Nov. 30, 1993; if any appeals were then pending, the effective date would be on the termination of all appeals. Prior to the effective date, the company would make full payment under its presently existing settlement commitments, at a total estimated cost to the company of approximately $45 million; a majority of these payments are presently scheduled to be made over the next 18 months.

Beginning on the effective date, the company's annual cash flow (pre-tax income plus depreciation and amortization) would be allocated in the following manner:

1) Fixed payments would be made to a trust for the benefit of claimants that is independent of the company. The first year's payment would be $30 million (plus interest from Dec. 1, 1991), with $20 million per year scheduled in years 2 through 10, and $25 million per year in years 11 through 20.

2) The company would next retain an amount equal to 6.75 percent of net sales each year designed to provide for capital expenditures, working capital needs, and other corporate requirements.

3) Cash flow, if any, above the payments required in 1 and 2 would then be shared equally between the company and the trust for the first ten years, and would be divided 57.5 percent for the company and 42.5 percent for the trust for the next ten years.

Eagle-Picher would issue to the trust preferred shares which would be non-dividend paying but would be convertible at the end of the fifth year on a fully diluted basis into 25 percent of the company's common shares if the company has made the aggregate payments for those years called for in paragraph 1, and 50 percent if the company has failed to make those payments. Additionally, certain provisions of the agreement would secure the trust's position relative to certain non-asbestos liabilities. First, the company cannot encumber any assets except for newly acquired assets which are utilized to secure financing at the time of their acquisition, and secondly, the trust would receive a first lien on unencumbered assets in the event these non-asbestos liabilities exceed specified threshold levels in the future. Also, the trust would have the right to propose one person to be nominated for election to the company's board of directors.

The company indicated that even with a timely certification of the class, liquidity will continue to be a serious concern for the next several months. Accordingly, the company will proceed with its previously announced plan to sell assets as well as to seek accommodations from its lenders during this critical period.

CONTACT: J. Rodman Nall of Eagle-Picher, 513-721-7010

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#90339p0506 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced a decrease in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The decrease of $2.00/bbl was effective today, Wednesday, Dec. 5, at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$26.00 for West Texas Intermediate $24.00 for West Texas Sour $26.50 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E75. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Bonnie Chaikind of Chevron U.S.A., 415-894-1200

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#90339p0509 12/05/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 5) PR NEWSWIRE - Hollywood Park Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ: HTRFZ) announced today that its board of directors met this afternoon and considered the proposal by Marjorie Everett and a committee of Hollywood Park Operating Co. to join them in seeking a buyer for both corporations or all of their assets.

"Hollywood Park Realty is not for sale," said Warren Williamson, its chairman and chief executive officer, in summing up the board's decision and in firmly rejecting the proposal from Everett and the committee of Hollywood Park Operating Co. Williamson went on to say that it was the board's belief that, due to the uncertainty and lack of confidence in real estate as an investment alternative, any attempt to sell realty or all of its assets at this time would be ill-conceived, ill-timed and ultimately injurious to it shareholders.

CONTACT: Brian C. Leck for Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises Inc., 213-622-5555

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#90339t3096 12/05/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 5) TASS - GREAT CHANGES IN THE WORLD BEAR THE STAMP OF YOUTH PARTICIPATION, READS A MESSAGE BY PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV TO PARTICIPANTS IN THE 13TH ASSEMBLY OF THE WORLD DEMOCRATIC YOUTH FEDERATION IN ATHENS.

THE SOVIET PRESIDENT BELIEVES YOUTH WILL BEAR INCREASING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF EVENTS, AS THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY MOVES AWAY FROM CUSTOMS, WAYS OF THINKING AND ACTION, TYPICAL OF THE EPOCH OF CONFRONTATION AND MILITARISM.

THERE WILL BE NO FEWER PROBLEMS - HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF PEOPLE WILL CONTINUE TO EXIST IN HARD LIVING CONDITIONS, THE SECURITY AND DIGNITY OF NATIONS AND PEOPLES WILL BE CHALLENGED, HUMAN RIGHTS MUST BE ENSURED, NATURE AND THE PLANET'S RESOURCES MUST BE PROTECTED, AND NEW, PROBABLY UNEXPECTED, BUT NO LESS IMPORTANT TASKS WILL APPEAR. THEY SHOULD ALL BE RESOLVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERAL HUMAN VALUES, THE MESSAGE READS.

"I WISH RENEWAL TO YOUR FEDERATION, AND I AM SURE THAT THE ATHENS ASSEMBLY WILL DEAL WITH THIS TASK. SUCH A RENEWAL WOULD HELP THE FEDERATION ACTIVELY GIVE RELIABLE INTERNATIONAL HELP TO YOUNG PEOPLE," THE MESSAGE READS.

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HELSINKI (DEC. 5) TASS - SOVIET HIJACKER NIKOLAI SELIVANOV WHO COMMANDEERED AN AEROFLOT FLIGHT EN ROUTE FROM NOVGOROD TO PETROZAVODSK ON OCTOBER 5 WAS EXTRADITED TO SOVIET AUTHORITIES TODAY.

AT NOON, A SPECIAL POLICE CAR BROUGHT SELIVANOV TO THE VALIMA CHECK POINT ON THE FINNISH-SOVIET BORDER AND HE WAS HANDED OVER TO SOVIET OFFICIALS.

FINLAND ACTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN AGREEMENT ON JOINT MEASURES TO AVERT HIJACKS, SIGNED BY FINLAND AND THE SOVIET UNION IN 1974.

THE FINNISH INTERIOR MINISTRY REFUSED TO GRANT POLITICAL ASYLUM TO SELIVANOV, SAYING THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE THAT HE WAS PERSECUTED FOR CONVICTIONS IN THE SOVIET UNION.

THE COUNTRY'S SUPREME COURT, AFTER CONSIDERING SELIVANOV'S CASE, SAID THE SOVIET REQUEST FOR EXTRADITION SHOULD BE HONOURED.

ON NOVEMBER 30, THE FINNISH JUSTICE MINISTRY TOOK THE FINAL DECISION TO EXTRADITE THE HIJACKER. IT SAID IT ACTED IN LINE WITH THE EUROPEAN CONVENTION TO PROTECT HUMAN RIGHTS AND BASIC FREEDOMS.

"ALTHOUGH OUR COUNTRY SIGNED THE GENEVA CONVENTION ON REFUGEES, THE FINNISH GOVERNMENT BELIEVES THAT THE DOCUMENT DOES NOT COVER HIJACKERS," FINNISH INTERIOR MINISTER JAERMO RANTANEN TOLD TASS.

A PERSON WHO HAS COMMITTED SUCH A SERIOUS CRIME WILL NOT GET ASYLUM IN FINLAND. THIS IS THE POSITION OF THE FINNISH GOVERNMENT AND IT CONCERNS ALL HIJACKERS NO MATTER WHAT COUNTRY THEY COME FROM, HE SAID.

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MASERU (DEC. 5) TASS - AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC) OF SOUTH AFRICA GENERAL SECRETARY ALFRED NZO RECEIVED A SOVIET DELEGATION AT THE ANC HEADQUARTERS IN JOHANNESBURG ON TUESDAY. THE DELEGATION IS VISITING SOUTH AFRICA TO DISCUSS COOPERATION WITH SOUTH AFRICA IN CLEANING UP THE AFTERMATH OF THE CHERNOBYL DISASTER.

SOUTH AFRICAN COMMUNIST PARTY GENERAL SECRETARY JOE SLOVO AND OTHER ANC LEADERS TOOK PART IN THE TALK.

ANC OFFICIALS POSITIVELY RECEIVED THE IDEA OF HAVING SOUTH AFRICAN EMPLOYERS' ASSIST THOSE WHO SUFFERED AS A RESULT OF THE CHERNOBYL ACCIDENT.

"OUR PEOPLES ARE BROUGHT TOGETHER BY THE TIME-TESTED BONDS OF SOLIDARITY," NZO SAID. HE STRESSED THAT ANC SHARED THE CONCERN OF THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OVER THE SITUATION IN THE AREA OF CHERNOBYL AND WOULD BE SATISFIED IF SOUTH AFRICA'S AID PROVED TO BE EFFECTIVE.

AT THE SAME TIME, NZO SAID THAT THE TIME HAD NOT COME TO LIFT SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA. HE INFORMED THE DELEGATION ABOUT CURRENT PROCESSES IN THE COUNTRY. HE SAID ANC ASSESSED THEM POSITIVELY, BUT THOUGHT THAT MANY PROBLEMS COULD STILL APPEAR.

THE TWO COUNTRIES SIGNED A GENERAL PROTOCOL ON COOPERATION BETWEEN THE USSR AND SOUTH AFRICA IN CLEANING UP THE AFTERMATH OF THE CHERNOBYL DISASTER IN PRETORIA ON TUESDAY. SOUTH AFRICAN MINISTER OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND TOURISM KENT DURR SIGNED THE PROTOCOL FOR THE SOUTH AFRICAN SIDE AND ECOPROM CONSORTIUM GENERAL DIRECTOR ANDREI CHERNUKHIN - FOR THE SOVIET SIDE.

"THIS IS A DOCUMENT OF INTENT, IN WHICH THE FORMS OF SOUTH AFRICA'S INVOLVEMENT IN THE WORK CARRIED OUT IN THE CHERNOBYL ZONE ARE SPECIFIED FROM PRINCIPLED POSITIONS," CHERNUKHIN TOLD TASS BY TELEPHONE FROM JOHANNESBURG.

"THREE MAIN AREAS OF COOPERATION WERE OUTLINED. FIRST, THE SIDES WILL BEGIN WORK TO DEVELOP COMPREHENSIVE EQUIPMENT TO CLEAN-UP LAND IN RADIATION-CONTAMINATED AREAS.

"SECOND, SOUTH AFRICA EXPRESSED READINESS TO HELP BUILD ONE SETTLEMENT IN THE UKRAINE, ONE IN BYELORUSSIA, AND ONE IN RUSSIA FOR 10,000 RESIDENTS EACH, BY ERECTING SOME 2,000 HOUSES.

"THIRD, SOUTH AFRICA WILL SUPPLY FOOD TO RESIDENTS OF THESE SETTLEMENTS IN THE FUTURE. LONG-TERM INTEREST-FREE CREDIT WILL BE EXTENDED TO THE SOVIET UNION TO IMPLEMENT THIS PROJECT.

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KIEV (DEC. 5) TASS - THIRTY-NINE PATIENTS TREATED IN A UKRAINIAN HOSPITAL AFTER TAKING PART IN THE CHERNOBYL CLEAN-UP EFFORT WENT ON A HUNGER STRIKE TODAY, DEMANDING FINANCIAL COMPENSATION FOR PRICE RISES ON FOODSTUFFS, INCLUDING SOME PRODUCTS WHICH ARE PART OF THE TREATMENT.

THE FASTERS ALSO DEMAND THAT THEIR HOSPITAL IN THE CITY OF LUGANSK BE COMPLETELY RESERVED FOR LOOKING AFTER CHERNOBYL VICTIMS AND SOLDIERS CRIPPLED IN AFGHANISTAN AND THAT THE STAFF BE AWARDED 25-PERCENT PAY RISES, AS LONG PROMISED BY THE HEALTH MINISTRY.

THE STRIKING PATIENTS ALSO WANT AUTHORITIES TO GIVE AN ACCOUNT OF HOW CHERNOBYL RELIEF HAS BEEN SPENT.

THEY SAID THAT DURING A TV CHRITY SHOW EARLIER THIS YEAR, VIEWERS IN THE LUGANSK REGION DONATED SOME THREE MILLION ROUBLES TO THE CHERNOBYL FUND. BUT NOT A KOPECK HAS RETURNED TO THE REGION WHERE 16,000 REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS IN THE CHERNOBYL CLEAN-UP OPERATION LIVE.

THE STRIKERS EXPLAINED THEIR MOTIVES IN CABLES TO THE FEDERAL AND UKRAINIAN GOVERNMENTS AND TO DEFENCE MINISTER DMITRY YAZOV.

THEY SAID THEY WILL NOT TAKE ANY FOOD UNTIL HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIALS COME TO LUGANSK TO TALK TO THEM.

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#90339t3115 12/05/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 5) TASS - FIVE MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CREW ON WEDNESDAY CONTINUED WORK ON BOARD THE MIR SPACE STATION.

THE MAIN EXPEDITION, GENNADY MANAKOV AND GENNADY STREKALOV, WERE JOINED ON TUESDAY BY VIKTOR AFANASYEV, MUSA MANAROV AND JAPANESE JOURNALIST TOYEHIRO AKIYAMA AFTER THE SOYUZ TM-11 SPACE SHIP MATED THE MIR STATION.

TWELVE PEOPLE ARE CURRENTLY IN SPACE, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE FLIGHT OF THE U.S. COLOMBIA SPACE SHUTTLE. THERE ARE RUMOURS AT THE MISSION CONTROL CENTRE THAT U.S. ASTRONAUTS ARE PLANNING TO ESTABLISH CONTACTS WITH THE SOVIET-JAPANESE CREW.

ON THURSDAY, THE SOVIET-JAPANESE CREW WILL HOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE FOR SOVIET AND FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS.

MANAKOV AND STREKALOV TODAY ACQUAINTED AFANASYEV AND MANAROV WITH THE WORK OF THE STATION. THE LATTER TWO WILL REPLACE THE CURRENT MAIN CREW. MANAKOV AND STREKALOV ARE MAKING PHYSICAL EXERCISES WITH THE HELP OF THE CHIBIS VACUUM COSTUME, GETTING READY TO RETURN TO THE EARTH.

SOON AFTER HIS ARRIVAL TO THE STATION, AKIYAMA BEGAN TO PREPARE TELEVISION EQUIPMENT, WEIGHING LESS THAN 170 KILOGRAMS, FOR WORK. DURING THE FLIGHT, HE WILL CONDUCT A SERIES OF TELEVISION PROGRAMMES. HE IS PLANNING TO TAKE PHOTOGRAPHS OF TOKYO, MOSCOW, NEW YORK AND PARIS TO STUDY THE ECOLOGICAL SITUATION THERE. HE WILL ALSO TAKE PICTURES OF JAPAN. A VIDEO FILM IS BEING MADE ABOUT THE JAPANESE COSMONAUT'S STAY ON BOARD THE MIR SPACE STATION.

TODAY, THE JAPANESE COSMONAUT BEGAN MEDICAL AND BIOLOGICAL EXPERIMENTS TO STUDY THE REACTION OF LIVE ORGANISMS TO WEIGHTLESSNESS. HE HAS ALSO LAUNCHED THE "FROG" EXPERIMENT WITH SIX FROGS BROUGHT FROM JAPAN. THE FROGS HAVE SPECIAL VACUUM SUCKERS ALLOWING THEM TO MOVE. SCIENTISTS WANT TO KNOW HOW THEY WORK IN WEIGHTLESSNESS.

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#90339t3116 12/05/1990 ~ts
ATHENS (DEC. 5) TASS - VISITING PRESIDENT GEORGIOS VASSILIOU OF CYPRUS TODAY BEGAN TALKS WITH THE GREEK LEADERSHIP.

VASSILIOU MET GREEK PRESIDENT CONSTANTINOS CARAMANLIS AND PRIME MINISTER CONSTANTINOS MITSOTAKIS. LATER IN THE DAY HE IS EXPECTED TO MEET ANDREAS PAPANDREOU, LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION PANHELLENIC SOCIALIST MOVEMENT (PASOK).

DURING THE VISIT, SCHEDULED TO LAST UNTIL FRIDAY, VASSILIOU IS PLANNING TO ALSO MEET OTHER GREEK LEADERS. TALKS FOCUS ON THE CYPRUS PROBLEM CONNECTED WITH THE OCCUPATION OF THE NORTHERN PART OF THE ISLAND BY TURKISH TROOPS SINCE 1974.

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#90339t3119 12/05/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (DEC. 5) TASS - HUNDREDS OF MUSCOVITES GOT FOOD PARCELS FROM GERMANY TODAY, AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GERMAN RED CROSS SOCIETY CROSSED THE CITY TO GIVE PRESENTS TO INVALIDS, THE OLD AND THE LONELY.

THE CONVOY OF TRUCKS, PART OF THE "HEART FOR RUSSIA" CHARITY EFFORT, ARRIVED IN MOSCOW ON TUESDAY, BRINGING A TOTAL OF 4,973 PARCELS WITH NEARLY 50 TONS OF FOOD, WORTH 250,000 MARKS. EACH PARCEL BORE THE NAME OF THE SENDER. ACTIVISTS FROM THE MOSCOW RED CROSS SOCIETY HELPED DISTRIBUTE THE GIFTS TO THE NEEDY.

ROZA BRUM, WHO LIVES IN THE CAPITAL'S TIMIRYAZEV DISTRICT, GOT A PRESENT FROM NICHOLAS GROSS FROM MECKENHEIM. THE 76-YEAR-OLD BLIND WOMAN SILENTLY HUGGED

CONVOY LEADER KLAUS PETER ENKE, WHO BROUGHT HER A BOX WITH FRUIT, COFFEE, BUTTER, CHEESE, AND SALAMI. "THIS HELP COMES FROM THE HEART," ENKE SAID EMOTIONALLY.

HE THEN WENT ON TO VISIT SEVERAL OTHER HOMES. YELENA KOTLYARSKAYA, 60, DISABLED SINCE CHILDHOOD, GRATEFULLY READ THE NAME OF WOERNER FOSS FROM HAMELN WRITTEN ON HER PARCEL. ALEXANDER NAKHALOV, 73, THANKED HOELGA SCHOLZIEGER FROM FRANKFURT FOR KINDNESS AND ATTENTION.

THE DISTRIBUTION WAS WELL-ORGANIZED. MOSCOW WAS DIVIDED INTO TEN AREAS. LISTS OF THE LONELY, INVALIDS, AND THE OLD WERE COMPILED IN ADVANCE - A TOTAL OF 5,000 PEOPLE. THE DISTRIBUTION IS MONITORED BY DEPUTIES AND PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVES. IT WILL BE COMPLETED BY SATURDAY.

MUSCOVITES FEEL SPECIAL SYMPATHY TOWARDS THOSE WHO BROUGHT THE CONVOY TO THE CITY. SIXTEEN MEN AND WOMEN AND ARE WORKING TIRELESSLY ALL DAY LONG. SOVIET PEOPLE HELPED THE CONVOY THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE JOURNEY, ENKE TOLD TASS. "THE POLICE HELPED US IN EVERY POSSIBLE MANNER, THERE WAS NO RED TAPE OR OTHER DIFFICULTIES," HE SAID.

THIS IS THE FIRST ACTION OF THE UNIFIED GERMAN RED CROSS, HE SAID. THE CHARITY EFFORT CONTINUES - GERMANS HAVE ALREADY RAISED 15,000 PARCELS FOR THE SOVIET UNION, HE SAID.

-30- 2053

#90339t3123 12/05/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 5) TASS - MASS STARVATION WILL NOT BEGIN IN THE SOVIET UNION IN THE COMING SIX MONTHS, BELIEVE 57 PERCENT OF PARTICIPANTS IN THE POLL CONDUCTED BY THE UNION CENTRE FOR PUBLIC OPINION STUDIES IN NOVEMBER.

THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED ON THE REQUEST OF THE MOSCOW NEWS WEEKLY. PUBLISHING THE RESULTS, THE WEEKLY NOTES THAT ONLY 18 PER CENT OF THOSE POLLED EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE AND HOPE, THINKING OF THE COMING WINTER, WHILE 75 PERCENT ARE SEIZED WITH ALARM AND FEAR.

SIXTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE POLL BELIEVE THAT THE STABILISATION OF THE ECONOMIC SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY WILL NOT BEGIN IN THE COMING SIX MONTHS. FIFTY-EIGHT PERCENT BELIEVE THERE IS A REAL THREAT OF A STRING OF STRIKES. FORTY-FOUR PERCENT FORECAST THE DISINTEGRATION OF THE SOVIET UNION.

THE MAJORITY OF THOSE POLLED BELIEVE THAT IT IS UNLIKELY THAT PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND RUSSIAN PRESIDENT BORIS YELTSIN WOULD LEAVE THEIR POSTS IN THE COMING WINTER. AS FOR PRIME MINISTER NIKOLAI RYZHKOV, 36 PERCENT SAID HIS RESIGNATION IS "RATHER PROBABLE", WHILE 43 PERCENT BELIEVE IT IS "UNLIKELY".

HALF OF THOSE POLLED SAID IT IS "UNLIKELY" THAT "DEMOCRATS", THE ARMY OR THE

KGB WILL SEIZE POWER IN THE COUNTRY.

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#90339t3125 12/05/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (DEC. 5) TASS - A EUROPARLIAMENT DELEGATION, INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE GROUP TO DEVELOP CONTACTS WITH THE SOVIET UNION, TODAY MET REPRESENTATIVES OF A NUMBER OF SOVIET PARLIAMENT'S COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS.

THEY DISCUSSED VARIOUS ASPECTS OF LIFE IN THE SOVIET UNION AND WAYS TO HELP IT IN THE CURRENT HARD PERIOD.

MAGDALENE HOFF, HEADING THE DELEGATION, NOTED THAT THE CONTINENT AND THE WORLD ARE SERIOUSLY INTERESTED IN MAKING THE SOVIET UNION A WORTHY PARTNER IN THE ALL-EUROPEAN HOME, NO MATTER HOW SOVIET PERESTROIKA DEVELOPS. SHE SAID THE READINESS OF A NUMBER OF STATES AND PRIVATE FIRMS TO RENDER ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO THE SOVIET UNION PROVED THIS.

FEDOR BURLATSKY, HUMANITARIAN, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL TIES SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN OF THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT'S COMMITTEE FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, DWELLED ON THE PREPARATION OF A NEW UNION TREATY AND THE SOVIET PRESIDENT'S PROPOSALS OF STRUCTURAL CHANGES IN THE STATE POWER SYSTEM, CLOSELY CONNECTED WITH THE TREATY.

DELEGATION MEMBERS WERE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IF ANY SOVEREIGN REPUBLICS MIGHT OBTAIN NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND WHAT THEIR ARMY WILL BE LIKE, AFTER A UNION TREATY IS SIGNED. THEY WERE TOLD THAT THE SEGMENTATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AMONG REPUBLICS IS OUT OF THE QUESTION. AS FOR THE ARMY, DEBATES ARE UNDERWAY, AND NOT ONLY IN PARLIAMENTS.

-30- 1498
#90339u0002 12/05/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (DEC. 5) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Wednesday - 11,246,000
1990 to date - 2,308,916,000

The market closed higher.

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#90339u0003 12/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Wednesday - $37,020,000
1990 to date - $10,178,664,000

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#90339u0005 12/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.87	up 0.01
10 Public Utils	92.88	up 0.03
10 Industrials	88.86	off 0.02

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 124.30 off 0.12.

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#90339u0008 12/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - American Stock Exchnage sales Wednesday:

Stocks -	12,900,000
1990 Year to date -	3,133,295,415
Bonds -	$3,930,000
1990 Year to date -	697,568,000

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#90339u0010 12/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2610.40	up	30.70	903.67	up	21.83	212.71	unchanged	
Tuesday	2579.70	up	14.11	881.84	up	9.80	212.71	up	0.94
Week ago	2535.15	off	8.66	831.18	off	7.95	209.26	up	0.13
Month ago	2440.84	off	44.31	832.84	off	11.28	209.07	off	4.02
Year ago	2736.77	off	4.91	1213.73	off	7.11	227.68	off	0.38
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90339u0012 12/05/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 5) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	180.11	up	1.92
ASE Market Value Index	305.41	up	2.77
Dow-Jones Industrial	2610.40	up	30.70

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#90339u0013 12/05/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2575.00	2615.84	2558.42	2610.40	up 30.70
20 Trans	878.56	906.67	873.31	903.67	up 21.83
15 Utils	212.40	213.53	210.83	212.71	unchanged
65 Stock	902.86	919.14	897.00	916.65	up 11.84

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	23,016,200	21,331,800
Trans	5,212,500	4,239,100
Utils	2,506,600	3,198,300
65 Stock	30,735,300	28,769,200

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.87	up 0.01
10 Public Utils	92.88	up 0.03
10 Industrials	88.86	off 0.02

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 124.30 off 0.12.

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#90339u0022 12/05/1990 ~United Press International
SUWANEE, GA (DEC. 5) UPI - The Atlanta Falcons signed rookie quarterback Todd Hammel to their practice squad Wednesday and used their last activation move to place rookie running back Mike Pringle on their roster.

Previously starting quarterback Chris Miller, who was lost for the season when he broke his collarbone late in the third quarter of last Sunday's loss at Tampa Bay, was placed on injured reserve to make room for Pringle.

Hammel, Tampa Bay's 10th round draft pick, threw for 5,364 yards and 48 touchdowns last season as a senior at Stephen F. Austin. He had tryouts earlier this year with both Atlanta and Dallas.

Pringle, the Falcons' sixth-round draft pick from Cal State Fullerton, had been on injured reserve since Sept. 3 because of a rib injury, but had been practicing with the club. Last year, he had the second-best all-purpose season in NCAA history with 2,690 yards. He led the Falcons in kickoff returns in preseason with a 24.1 average.

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#90339u0036 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	23.25-23.35	26.35-26.45
North Sea Brent	28.95-29.05	32.10-32.15
West Texas Intermed	27.25-27.30	30.65-30.75
Light Louisiana Sweet	28.35-28.45	31.80-32.00
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	69.60-69.85	77.25-77.50
No. 2 Heating oil	82.90-83.15	87.75-88.00
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	66.85-67.10	73.15-73.40
No. 2 Heating oil	79.65-79.90	85.40-85.65

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#90339u0043 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 5) UPI - Secretary of State Baker is saying what he'll tell Iraqi President Saddam Hussein when he meets with him in Baghdad later this month. But Baker says he won't ''negotiate'' or ''walk back'' on U-N resolutions demanding Saddam withdraw his troops from Kuwait.

A New York judge today set bail at 300-thousand dollars for the accused assassin of militant Israeli Rabbi Meir Kahane, who was gunned down last month at a Manhattan hotel. 35-year- old El Sayyid Nosair is being held on Rikers Island.

A Rhode Island securities dealer was sentenced today in Providence to 46 months in prison for running a phony investment scheme. Edward Dockray's scheme bilked more than 100 people in six states out of more than one-Million dollars.

The Georgia Supreme Court today upheld a state law prohibiting the Ku Klux Klan from wearing masks with their robes. In a 6-1 ruling, the court said the 1951 law does NOT infringe on the Klan's First Amendment right to free speech.

Health care workers report a deadly epidemic has emerged of teen- agers sniffing butane, propane and other substances to get high. The Children's Hospital Medical Center in Cincinatti says the practice has claimed the lives of at least 20 younsters in the Cincinatti area alone.

Researchers say doctors who have their own X-ray and ultrasound equipment conduct four times more imaging tests on patients and charge more than physicians who refer the work to radiologists. The researchers could give NO

reason for the differences between the two groups.

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#90339u0064 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

ELK GROVE VILLAGE, Ill. (DEC. 5) UPI - United Airlines said Wednesday it carried 4,522,000 paying passengers last month, 4.3 percent higher than the 4,335,000 who flew the UAL Corp. subsidiary during November 1989.

However, the airline's load factor was down 3.6 points - from 65 percent to 61.4 percent.

The UAL Corp. subsidiary also reported November revenue passenger miles were 5.881 billion, up 8.2 percent from the 5.435 billion logged last November. Available seat miles, however, were 7.059 billion, up 14. 5 percent from last November's 8.367 billion as the carrier continues its aggressive expansion.

For the first 11 months of this year, United recorded 69.78 billion revenue passenger miles, up 9 percent; 104.855 billion available seat miles, up 9.7 percent; and a load factor of 66.5 percent, down 0.5 points.

Load factors for the month were down 4.5 points on North American routes and down 1.4 points on Pacific routes. For the 11 months, United's Pacific service showed a gain of 2.4 points in load factor over the first 11 months of 1989 while North American routes showed an 11- month loss of 1.6 points.

All figures are for scheduled services only.

United Chairman Stephen Wolf said the November results set the stage for continued expansion.

''Preparations are well under way,'' Wolf said, ''for United's additional international expansion led by the inauguration of of Chicago-Tokyo non-stop service Jan. 8, 1981, and routes linking five U. S. cities with London's Heathrow Airport, as well as service between Washington, D.C., Dulles International Airport and Paris, as soon as regulatory approvals are secured.''

United won the newly authorized Tokyo route in a bidding competition with American Airlines. The route will link its major hubs at Chicago O'Hare and Tokyo Narita, providing a network of service between North America and the Far East.

United bought the European routes from financially ailing Pan Am Corp.

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#90339u0067 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - The nation's largest school system should provide

free condoms to high school students to help stem a spreading AIDS epidemic, New York City Schools Chancellor Joseph Fernandez told the Board of Education Wednesday.

In his formal presentation of the controversial plan, Fernandez said the free distribution of condoms should not need parental consent.

''Students actively having sex don't tell their parents,'' Fernandez said. ''Requiring consent or counseling takes the heart out of the plan. ''

Any of the city's 261,000 high school students, no matter how young, would be eligible to get the contraceptives.

The Board of Education was expected to vote on the matter in January and if the proposal is approved, condom distribution could start by spring.

Three of the seven members of the Board of Education expressed support, two opposition, and two said they had not made up their minds. A similar proposal, this one aimed at stemming teenager pregnancies, was voted down in 1986.

Catholic Church leaders have roundly condemned the condom distribution plan and vowed to fight it all the way.

Fernandez stressed that the passing out of free condoms was only one component in a broad campaign to fight aids.

He said New York City is leading the nation in adolescent AIDS cases.

''This entire city is at risk,'' he said. ''We have an opportunity to do something about it.''

Before the meeting started, Mayor David Dinkins said it was important for Fernandez and the board to emphasize that the intent of the condom distribution program was ''not to promote promiscuity'' but to urge ''ity'' but to urge

Fernandez introduced Dr. Karen Hein, of the Division of Adolesence Medicine at Albert Einstein School of Medicine at Montefiore Hospital in the Bronx, who told the board that of the AIDS cases reported among 13 to 21-year-olds in the country, 20 percent of them were in New York City.

She said AIDS case between 13 and 19 years olds increased 51 percent between February 1988 and February 1989.

''It shouldn't be business as usual ... it's time to put yourself out in front because this city is out in front of this epidemic,'' Fernandez said.

Under the plan, students at each high school, not only just the 17 with health

clinics, would be able to get free condoms from male and female staff volunteers at a variety of sites and at specified times in the school day.

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#90339u0084 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (DEC. 5) UPI - Doctors who have their own X-ray and ultrasound devices conduct far more imaging tests on patients and charge more for them than physicians who refer the work to radiologists, researchers said Wednesday.

Analysis of 65,517 private health insurance claims filed for care provided by 6,419 doctors found those with their own equipment conducted four times more procedures for four common conditions than those who referred the work to others, said Dr. Bruce Hillman of the University Medical Center in Tucson, Ariz.

Hillman and colleagues also found the combination of using the equipment more and charging more for each test meant the bills from doctors with X-ray and ultrasound equipment in their own offices were substantially higher than was the case with other physicians.

Charges for patients of so-called ''self-referring'' doctors who took care of the imaging procedures themselves were an average of 4.4 to 7.5 times higher than for those whose tests were done by radiologists, Hillman and colleagues reported in The New England Journal of Medicine.

The researchers used data provided by MEDSTAT Systems, Inc., a firm in Ann Arbor, Mich., that compiles information for controlling medical costs. A statement issued by the company said for the four conditions included in the study, annual imaging costs for working Americans totals $290 million.

Hillman and co-researchers said it was not possible for them to determine whether the practices of doctors who did their own procedures or those who had radiologists do them were ''the more appropriate care.'' Nor could they tell why doctors with their own equipment conducted more tests.

''These physicians may perform imaging more frequently because they have financial incentives to do so, because imaging is more convenient when performed in a physician's office, or because physicians who perform imaging more often are more likely to acquire imaging equipment, '' the study said.

Nevertheless, the researchers said the differences between the two groups of doctors in their use of imaging equipment ''are so large that some concern over the role of financial incentives must be invoked.''

They noted that patients ''cannot be said to have a meaningful choice when their physicians advise them to undergo imaging.'' Thus, the ability to ''self-refer patients for imaging must surely complicate physicians' decisions

and perhaps jeopardize their obligation to place their patients' interests above their own,'' they said.

The conditions and procedures involved in the study were chest X-rays for upper respiratory problems, ultrasound for pregnant women, spinal X- rays for lower back pain and ultrasound or X-rays for men with urinary problems.

To conduct imaging work for all the conditions except urinary difficulties, the doctors who did their own procedures charged ''significantly more'' than radiologists, the study found.

For respiratory and urinary problems, 38 percent of doctors conducted their own imaging and 62 percent referred the work to radiologists. For pregnant women, 48 percent of doctors conducted ultrasound procedures in their offices and 52 percent sent patients elsewhere.

To treat patients with lower back pain, 49 percent of doctors studied did their own work and 51 percent sent patients to others for imaging tests.

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#90339u0095 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - Two veteran House committee chairmen - Reps. Glenn Anderson, D-Calif., and Frank Annunzio, D-Ill. - were ousted from their posts Wednesday by fellow Democrats unhappy with their performance.

All other committee chairmen were retained, including Rep. Henry Gonzalez, D-Texas, chairman of the House Banking Committee, who survived a challenge in his bid to continue as chairman.

The votes came as House Democrats completed organizational business in preparation for the 102nd Congress, which convenes in January.

Anderson, 77, was ousted from his post as chairman of the House Committee on Public Works and Transportation on a 152-100 vote. Annunzio, 75, lost the chairmanship of the House Administration Committee on a 127-125 vote.

The Democrats voted 163-89 to keep Gonzalez as chairman of the banking panel.

The Democrats arranged to meet later in the day to pick new chairmen for the public works and administration committees.

The votes marked the first time since 1985 that a House chairman was removed from his post. In that year, Rep. Mel Price, D-Ill., was ousted as chairman of the House Armed Services Committee in a coup engineered by Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., who became chairman.

The challenges to the three chairmen also marked the most significant

rebellion since 1974, when the reform-minded post-Watergate class of freshmen House members voted to depose several veteran chairmen.

The rejection of Annunzio was a bitter blow for the veteran lawmaker who had just survived a hard-fought re-election campaign. Republicans made Annunzio one of their top priority targets in the November election, but he managed to rally support and win re-election. Annunzio was first elected to Congress in 1964.

Fellow Democrats, however, complained about how Anderson and Annunzio ran their committees. ''People were talking about effectiveness in both these cases,'' said one Democrat after the votes that ousted the two.

The administration committee deals with with in-house congressinal matters and is not widely known outside of Washington, but the Public Works and Transportation Committee has wide-ranging responsibilities.

The move against Annunzio developed only in recent days, but Anderson had been in trouble with members of his own committee who felt he was not a strong advocate for transportation and related programs. Seventeen Democrats on the panel signed a letter opposing his re-election as chairman.

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#90339u0112 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 5) UPI - In the blockbuster deal of baseball's winter meetings the Toronto Blue Jays traded shortstop Tony Fernandez and first baseman Fred McGriff to the San Diego Padres Wednesday for second baseman Roberto Alomar and outfielder Joe Carter.

Fernandez is one of the best defensive shortstops in the majors and a solid hitter. Over the last three seasons, McGriff has become one of baseball's premier power hitters.

Carter returns to the American League after one season with the Padres. San Diego obtained Carter from the Cleveland in the big trade at last year's winter meetings.

''Obviously the teams in our division are taking giant strides,'' Padres General Manager Joe McIlvane said.

He was referring to the San Francisco Giants, who have signed Willie McGee, Bud Black and Dave Righetti, and the Los Angeles Dodgers, who added Darryl Strawberry last month and Kevin Gross during the winter meetings.

Ironically, the Padres pulled off the deal without ''Trader'' Jack McKeon, who was ousted this year.

McGriff, who hit .300 in 1990 with 35 homers, will start at first base, replacing Jack Clark, who is expected to be granted second-look free agency in a week.

''The free agency business is up to him (Clark),'' said McIlvane, adding if Clark were to re-sign, he could play outfield.

Fernandez, a switch-hitter, batted .276 in 1990 and stole 26 bases. He will team up the middle with second baseman Bip Roberts.

''Getting Tony Fernandez stabilizes us up the middle,'' McIlvane said.

The Blue Jays will put Carter in right field and hope John Olerud, who hit .265 as a rookie, can improve by playing every day at first base. Carter batted .232, with 24 home runs and 115 RBI.

''I think this gives us a chance to get Olerud in there,'' Manager Cito Gaston said.

Alomar, a switch-hitter who batted .287, will start at second with Manny Lee at short.

''This is kind of like trading two sons for me,'' Gaston said. ''I'm going to miss them.''

The Blue Jays have revamped their outfield at the winter meetings. They traded right fielder Junior Felix to California for center fielder Devon White. Earlier Wednesday, they signed free agent Pat Tabler.

Tabler, Rance Mulliniks and Glenallen Hill are candidates for left field. George Bell, the star left fielder, is a free agent. He has asked the Blue Jays for $16 million over four years, a request that likely will not be met. But even if he should re-sign, the Blue Jays would use him as a designated hitter.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	237.00	241.80	236.80	241.65	238.00
Mar	239.50	243.80	239.00	243.65	230.00

Jun	....	....	....	245.55	241.90
Sep	....	....	....	247.95	244.30

Estimated volume: 198 contracts.
Open interest: 1,447 off 10.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	327.40	332.00	326.20	331.80	328.20
Mar	329.70	334.70	328.90	334.50	330.95
Jun	334.25	337.80	332.40	337.65	334.00
Sep	....	340.50	335.30	340.45	336.90

Estimated volume: 63,083 contracts.
Open interest: 162,667 up 3,264

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	178.40	181.20	178.10	181.15	179.10
Mar	179.80	182.70	179.45	182.50	180.40
Jun	181.00	182.00	181.00	183.80	181.70

Open interest: 4,492 up 50.
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	544.00	549.50	540.10	548.85	543.75
Jan	544.10	551.25	542.25	550.90	545.80
Feb	544.10	551.25	544.10	551.00	545.95

Estimated volume: 3,544 contracts.
Open interest: 8,992 up 45.

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#90339u0123 12/05/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 5) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Denver at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Atlanta at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Detroit at Utah, 9:30 p.m.
Dallas at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Washington at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

Montreal at Hartford, 7:35 p.m.
Quebec at Edmonton, 9:35 p.m.

NY Rangers at Calgary, 9:35 p.m.
Vancouver at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.
Washington at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Minnesota at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Winnipeg at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

INDOOR SOCCER

Wichita at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.

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#90339u0124 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
AT&T Co	5,080,700	30 1/8	off 1/4
Fedl Natl Mtge	4,908,000	34 1/4	up 2 5/8
Citicorp	4,854,300	15 3/4	up 1 3/8
Fst Bank Sys	4,589,100	14 3/4	up 1
Toys R Us	3,326,000	22 7/8	off 5/8
Fst Intst Bcp	3,190,000	25 3/4	up 3 1/2
BankAmerica	2,939,600	26 1/8	up 1 5/8
Ahmanson HF & Co	2,899,900	14 1/8	up 5/8
Chemical Bkg	2,786,800	13 1/2	up 1
Fedl Ntl Mtg wt	2,706,800	19 1/4	up 2 1/4
Amer Express	2,418,900	22 3/4	up 1 3/4
NCR Corp	2,408,600	86 5/8	up 3 1/8
Chase Manhattan	2,364,900	12 3/4	up 1 1/4
Philip Morris	2,184,700	49 3/4	up 1/4
Waste Managemnt	2,127,200	35 1/2	up 1

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#90339u0127 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Contl Air Hldgs	1,000,300	1 3/4	unch
New York TimesA	702,000	19 1/4	off 1/8
Am Exploration	541,300	3 7/8	up 1/4
Fruit of Loom	492,600	9	up 3/4
Western Digital	387,700	5 1/4	up 1/2
Diasonics Inc	353,400	2 7-16	up 5-16
Carnival Cruise	337,100	14 7/8	up 1/2
Hillhaven Corp	332,300	1 3/4	unch

Energy Service	299,000	2 3/8 up 1/8
Corona Corp A	241,400	4 1/4 unch

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#90339u0134 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
AppleC	(AAPL)	74,295,784	40 1/8	up 1 5/8
Micrsoft	(MSFT)	68,785,048	75 1/4	up 3/4
MCI Com	(MCIC)	66,621,424	19 5/8	up 7/8
ReuterH	(RTRS)	58,840,552	37 1/8	up 1 5/8
SunMicro	(SUNW)	48,277,088	22 3/4	up 2
IntelCp	(INTL)	48,215,236	38 1/4	unch
Amgen	(AMGN)	46,160,004	56	off 3/4
UHlthcr	(UNIH)	34,226,932	22 1/2	up 1 1/8
StPaul	(STPL)	28,758,038	65 3/8	up 1/8
Autodsk	(ACAD)	25,582,574	50 3/8	up 1 3/8

Composite Index 163.63 up 3.12

NMS volume 123,060,000 shares.

Advances	1048
Declines	531
Unchanged	1,194
Total	2,773

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#90339u0139 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

PUNTA DEL ESTE, Uruquay (DEC. 5) UPI - President Bush indicated there would be no negotiated settlement to the Persian Gulf crisis that shortchanges U.N. resolutions demanding the unconditional withdrawl of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Bush, on the second day of a six-day swing through Latin America, told reporters Tuesday he is ''not in a negotiating mood'' and hopes Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''gets the message'' about last week's U. N. resolution authorizing the use of force to liberate Kuwait if Iraqi troops are not out by Jan. 15.

In all, the U.N. Security Council has passed 12 resolutions that condemn the invasion, demand the withdrawl of troops and impose a range of global economic sanctions against Iraq.

Scheduled to visit Argentina on Wednesday, two days after the government there quashed a revolt by dissident military officers, Bush appeared to steer U.S.

gulf policy back on the hard-line course that has been the foundation for the international coalition aligned against Iraq.

In a surprising move last Friday - the day after the resolution authorizing force was adopted - Bush offered to send Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad for talks with Saddam and invited Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Washington. The invitation to Iraq was accepted and a meeting with Aziz is expected early next week.

Iraqi officials have said they see Bush's overture as a chance for a negotiated settlement linking resolution of the gulf crisis to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

But the White House has insisted the talks are strictly a last-chance effort to avoid war by making sure Saddam understands U.S. determination to end Iraq's occupation of Kuwait and restore the legitimate government of the oil-rich emirate.

Bush recently ordered 200,000 additional American troops to the gulf to bolster the U.S.-led multinational force assembled in the region against Iraq.

Bush said that when he meets with Aziz, ''I want to make clear to him the best thing is to go through with the U.N. resolutions.''

Bush dodged questions about reports that the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council - the United States, Soviet Union, China, Britain and France - had agreed after approving the force resolution not to attack Iraq in exchange for its withdrawal from Kuwait.

In another report, Sky Television News in London said that Saddam is willing to withdraw from Kuwait provided he is allowed to keep an oil field captured by his troops during the invasion.

''I am convinced that Saddam Hussein has not gotten the message,'' Bush told reporters. ''I don't think Saddam Hussein understands'' the impact of the U.N. resolutions. ''I hope he gets the message.''

Bush said that he agrees with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney's statements during Senate hearings on U.S. gulf policy that sanctions alone would not be enough to prompt an Iraqi withdrawl.

And Bush said, ''I don't agree with them,'' when asked about the testimony of two former chairmen of the Joint Chiefs of Staff - Adm. William Crowe and Gen. David Jones - that the United States should give as much as a year or more for the economic sanctions imposed by the U.N. to work.

''You know,'' he added, ''I've not been the one who's convinced that sanctions alone will do the trick.''

During his stop in Montevideo, Uruguay, Bush acknowledged the stiff economic consequences suffered by the Third World because of the gulf crisis and vowed the political and military standoff ''is not going to go on forever.''

''The economic burdens on these small countries and on the U.S. are heavy,'' said Bush at a news conference during which he referred to rising oil prices triggered by unrest in the Middle East.

During his one-day visit to Uruguay - the first by an American president in 27 years - Bush also pressed for ''successful completition'' of the current round of world trade talks in Brussels, Belgium, which are said to be on the verge of collapse because of divisions over agriculture subsidies.

He also urged support of his proposal for an economic trading zone in the Americas.

''The ultimate aim is free trade for all the Americas,'' Bush said.

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#90339u0140 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 5) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.48	7.58	8.47
91-day Treasury bills	7.23	7.24	7.66
182-day Treasury bills	7.21	7.23	7.35
1-year Treasury bills	7.24	7.25	7.24
3-year Treasury notes	7.58	7.57	7.78
7-year Treasury notes	8.09	8.09	7.84
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.33	8.34	7.91
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.90	8.90	8.69
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.66	9.66	9.12
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.83	8.78	8.86
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.02	9.03	8.90
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.18	9.19	9.12
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.20	9.17	9.10

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90339u0143 12/05/1990 ~United Press International
OTTAWA (DEC. 5) UPI - The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, in its most radical cost-cutting venture ever, Wednesday announced plans to axe 1100 jobs and drastically reduce 11 stations, some in major centers, to avoid a huge deficit next year.

CBC President Gerard Veilleux told reporters in Ottawa the layoffs and reductions would avert a $90 million deficit on the network's $1.2 billion budget. The CBC, which has 12,000 employees nationwide and overseas, is financed by Canadian taxpayers. Although it operates independently of the federal government, it has been severely criticized for its government bias.

Veilleux blamed the cuts on the government's restraint program that has cut back contributions to the network, the economic recession and a forecast loss of $25 million in advertising.

The cuts will affect the 1991-92 fiscal year. Unless advertising revenues increase, however, Veilleux warned additional cuts would be necessary in 1992-93 to avoid a forecast deficit of $41 million. Veilleux said he was "deeply distressed" by the cuts, which represent a significant reduction in programming and stations.

The network will close local television stations in Labrador, Quebec and Toronto, although listeners in those areas will be able to tune into national CBC television. Eight other local television stations, among them the major cities of Calgary, Alberta and Saskatoon, Saskatchewan will be reduced.

The CBC will stop funding Radio Canada International, its international short wave service. The federal government, probably through the External Affairs Ministry, said it would seek other ways of operating the service.

Other services scrapped by the network include its 24-hour coverage of Canadian Parliament as well as local television programming. Veilleux said, however, that the CBC would remain a "balanced, national public broadcasting service" offering mainly Canadian programming.

Asked if the CBC could save more money by reducing U.S.-produced programs, Veilleux said the network only runs 4.5 hours of foreign programming a week, most of it from the United States.

"With God's help, we will reduce that in the future," he said, adding that the network makes money on its American programs. "That's how we get the advertising revenues we have," he said.

Veilleux said most of the layoffs would take effect next Apr. 1 because the network's unionized employees were entitled to 16 weeks' notice. He said

surplus land and buildings would be offered for sale.

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#90339u0145 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 5) UPI - Iraq says it will free all Soviet hostages. The Iraqi news agency INA says Baghdad will allow the 33-hundred Soviets to leave the country beginning Wednesday. But it says Iraq will hold the Kremlin liable for the repercussions of Soviet workers breaking their contracts. Moscow says it still won't relax its opposition to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

In London, a satellite T-V network says Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is ready to pull out of Kuwait to avoid war if it can keep a Kuwaiti oil field. The network says Iraq will make that offer to Secretary of State Baker when Baker visits Baghdad later this month.

President Bush leaves Uruguay for Argentina Wednesday... on the third stop of his five-nation swing through South America. Bush told reporters that he doesn't believe Saddam Hussein ''has gotten the message.'' He said he also agrees with Defense Secretary Cheney who said he did not think sanctions alone will work against Iraq.

Investigators continue the painstaking task of piecing together information from two Northwest Airlines planes that collided on the runway in Detroit... killing eight people. Radio transcripts reveal the pilot of a D-C-9 jet apparently got lost in the fog and guided his aircraft into the path of a Boeing 727 on a takeoff roll.

Panama's former police chief, Eduardo Herrera, escaped from a high- security prison Tuesday. Authorities say a helicopter landed on the island jail and swept Herrera off to a police station on the outskirts of Panama City. Herrara delivered a manifesto to a local newspaper proclaiming his innocence in an alleged coup attempt last October.

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#90339u0153 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	180.11	176.92	180.11	up 1.92
Industrial	222.10	220.06	222.10	up 1.98
Transport	141.59	138.44	141.59	up 2.60
Utility	91.71	91.32	91.71	up 0.25
Finance	124.53	121.46	124.53	up 4.11

Equivalent to a gain of 33 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 205,820,000 shares.

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#90339u0154 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

LA PAZ, Bolivia (DEC. 5) UPI - Guerrillas fatally shot kidnapped businessman Jorge Lonsdale, president of a Coca Cola bottling company in Bolivia, when police forces broke into the rebel hidout Wednesday, authorities said.

Police killed three of the kidnappers in a 40-minute shootout with what police said were members of the extreme left-wing Nestor Paz Zamora Commission.

Interior Minister Guillermo Capobianco told a news conference the executive was fatally shot in the head.

Capobianco said police found out Tuesday night that Lonsdale was being held in a three-story building in the residential neighborhood of Sopocachi. He said police attacked Wednesday just after 6 a.m.

The minister said police initially intended only to establish contact with kidnappers and rescue Lonsdale alive but the kidnappers ''responded with gunfire,'' touching off the gunfight.

He said part of the rebel organization ''is arrested and the other part dead in combat.''

The group is the armed faction of the revamped National Liberation Army founded in 1967 by Argentine-Cuban guerrilla Ernesto ''Che'' Guevara.

The kidnapers said in a statement to the press Tuesday they had cut their ransom demand to $1 million from $8 million. The group also sent a photo of Lonsdale with his arms in the air to a newspaper.

The Lonsdale family had decided to pay the ransom and were waiting for contact with the kidnappers when the shootout occured, the minister said.

Lonsdale was the chief executive officer of the Vascal company, which bottles Coca Cola in La Paz.

Police identified the dead rebels as Miguel Northuester, 29, a German-Italian and believed the head of the group, and Bolivians Luis Caballero and Augusto Zalles.

Wounded was police Lt. Edwin Belmonte, who is in critical condition, and guard Javier Ramirez.

Security officers arrested three other people police said were involved in the shootout, including Peruvian Eulogio Guaman, who authorities claim is a member of the Peruvian guerrilla organization Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement, and brothers Ines Paula and Sebastian Acasigua.

The Nestor Paz Zamora Commission took responsibility for an attack Oct. 10 on the barracks of U.S. Embassy guards when one Bolivian guard was killed.

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#90339u0164 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	370.87	up	6.76	355.06	456.67
Industrial	401.94	up	6.08	456.67	446.27
Finance	366.65	up	10.65	347.80	519.32
Insurance	445.97	up	6.25	426.81	559.69
Utility	464.83	up	6.44	459.01	735.11
Bank	257.89	up	7.56	248.99	410.79
Transport	408.08	up	12.84	382.34	481.87

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 163.63 up 3.12

Industrial Index 160.36 up 2.55

NASDAQ-100 Index 398.05 up 6.84

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#90339u0167 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 398.05 up 6.84.

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#90339u0190 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 5) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	13	3	.813	-
Philadelphia	12	6	.667	2
New York	7	9	.438	6
New Jersey	7	10	.412	6 1/2
Miami	5	11	.313	8
Washington	5	11	.313	8

CENTRAL DIVISION

Detroit	13	4	.765	-
Milwaukee	11	5	.688	1 1/2
Chicago	11	6	.647	2
Cleveland	10	8	.556	3 1/2
Charlotte	8	8	.500	4 1/2
Indiana	6	11	.353	7
Atlanta	5	10	.333	7

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	9	4	.692	-
Utah	9	7	.563	1 1/2
Houston	9	8	.529	2
Dallas	6	8	.429	3 1/2
Minnesota	6	11	.353	5
Orlando	4	13	.235	7
Denver	3	13	.188	7 1/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	15	1	.938	-
LA Lakers	9	5	.648	5
Golden State	11	6	.647	4 1/2
Phoenix	8	6	.571	6
LA Clippers	8	8	.500	7
Seattle	4	10	.286	9
Sacramento	2	13	.133	12 1/2

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#90339u0200 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 5) UPI - Federal investigators plan to listen to flight recorders Wednesday from two Northwest Airlines jetliners involved in a deadly crash on a foggy Detroit runway. National Transportation Safety Board investigator John Lauber says the cockpit voice recorder and the flight data recorder from each plane were recovered and flown to Washington for analysis. But radio transmissions already made public indicate the pilot of the D-C-9 was lost in the fog when it was struck by a Boeing 727 on a takeoff roll. Eight people

died in Monday's fiery collision.

President Bush heads to Argentina Wednesday, two days after the government quashed a revolt by dissident military officers. Bush has been pressing for free trade in earlier stops in Brazil and Uruguay, but the issue has been mostly overshadowed by the Persian Gulf crisis. He indicated Tuesday there will be NO negotiated settlement to the standoff that shortchanges U-N resolutions demanding the unconditional withdrawl of Iraq from Kuwait.

New York police are investigating a possible revenge hit list for the assassination last month of Israeli militant Rabbi Meir Kahane. Authorities have warned eight prominent Palestinian rights supporters, including Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan, that they may be attacked by radical Zionists. Police say the eight are on a list of names sent to a local t-v reporter by someone claiming to be a member of Kahane's militant Kach Party. The letter warned Kahane's death would be avenged and included the cryptic message, ''Things go boom in the night.''

In Dallas, lawyers for both sides have rested their case in the thrift fraud trial of former Vernon Savings and Loan owner Don Dixon. Dixon faces a 38-count indictment charging him with using thrift funds to make illegal political contributions, pay for female entertainment and to support a lavish lifestyle. Vernon collapsed in 1987 with a one- point-three BILLION-dollar loss to taxpayers. Dixon Tuesday denied he asked his executives to submit false company expense accounts for reimbursement of campaign contributions.

Another acquittal in New York's Bensonhurst racial slaying. A Brooklyn jury Tuesday found two young men innocent of murder and manslaughter charges in the 1989 killing of a black teen-ager by a baseball bat-wielding mob of white youths. The panel deliberated just two hours before returning the innocent verdict for Joseph Serrano and co-defendant James Patino. Both were also cleared of rioting and menacing. But the jury found Serrano guilty of fourth-degree possession of a weapon- a baseball bat.

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#90339u0207 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Average yields for money-market mutual funds were unchanged or lower in the latest reporting week, as were deposit and lending rates at savings and loan institutions, reporting organizations said.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.27 percent, unchanged. But it said 30-day simple yields were off at 7.31 percent compared with 7.34 percent last week.

The average maturity of fund portfolios rose to 52 days from 50 days.

The Bank Rate Monitor in North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as

follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.82 percent, down from 5.83 percent; Super-Now accounts, 4.95 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit 7.31 percent, down from 7.33 percent; 1-year CDs, 7.37 percent, off from 7.39 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.46 percent, down from 7.50 percent; and five-year CDs, 7.70 percent, down from 7.72 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.04 percent, up from 8.03 percent the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.42 percent from 9.48 percent. The average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage eased to 9.75 percent from 9.79 percent.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was at 12.25 percent, unchanged from the previous week.

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#90339u0214 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Standard & Poor's closing range of stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941- 43 equals 10):

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg
400 Ind	385.33	380.63	385.33	up 3.40
20 Trans	232.70	225.83	232.68	up 5.37
40 Utils	144.60	143.87	144.60	up 0.17
40 Fncl	24.27	23.12	24.27	up 1.13
500 Stocks	329.92	325.66	329.92	up 3.57

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#90339u0217 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 5) UPI - President Bush is scheduled to visit Argentina Wednesday, on the third day of his South American trip. In Uruguay Tuesday, Bush told reporters he is ''NOT in a negotiating mood'' in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Arab efforts to resolve the gulf crisis are continuing. The foreign ministers of Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria met in Cairo Tuesday, while King Hussein of Jordan flew to Baghdad for a meeting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Bulgaria's Grand National Assembly voted late Tuesday night to order the interior ministry to turn over all its files on members of parliament to a special parliamentary committee within one week.

Police in New York say a handcuffed woman was rescued and two men... one with a pipe bomb wired to his body... were arrested when two officers decided to frisk the men after pulling their car over in Queens.

A 70-member team from the National Transportation Safety Board spent Tuesday trying to piece together what happened when two jets collided on a runway at Detroit's airport Monday. It appears that the pilot of one of the jets was lost.

-30- 1258

#90339u0224 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	370.99	364.02	370.87	up 6.76
Industrial	402.01	395.70	401.94	up 6.08
Finance	366.65	355.93	366.65	up 10.65
Insurance	445.97	438.96	445.97	up 6.25
Utility	466.40	456.97	464.83	up 6.44
Bank	258.19	250.36	257.89	up 7.56
Transport	408.14	394.30	408.08	up 12.84

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	163.63 up 3.12
Industrial Index	160.36 up 2.55
NASDAQ-100 Index	398.05 up 6.84
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.38 up 0.12
Volume	123,060,000 shares
Advances	1,048
Declines	531
Unchanged	1,194
Total	2,773

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#90339u0232 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 5) UPI - The loss of two forwards to the NBA left No. 4 Syracuse with some big holes this season, but the Orangmen learned Tuesday night Dave Johnson can help fill those gaps.

Johnson scored 24 points and pulled down 17 rebounds to lead the Orangemen to an 86-79 victory over North Carolina State as part of the ACC-Big East Challenge.

The victory by Syracuse, 5-0, gave the Big East a 3-1 lead in its eight-game series. Earlier Tuesday night, Seton Hall topped Clemson 78- 62 in the first

of two Challenge games at the Carrier Dome.

Johnson, a 6-foot-6 junior, watched as Derrick Coleman and Stephen Thompson led the Orangemen last season. Like star teammate Billy Owens, Johnson believes it's now his turn.

''Guys coming in here (Syracuse) have to realize they have to wait until their time comes,'' Johnson said. ''You have to pay your dues. My time has come. They did a good job of trying to key on (Owens), and it just left some openings for us.''

Johnson's timing could not have been better against the Wolfpack, 3- 1, as he scored 14 points and grabbed 13 rebounds in the second half.

''Giving Dave the green light to do what he wants gets him more comfortable '' said Owens, who added 21 points and 12 rebounds.

Rodney Monroe, who led the Wolfpack with 25 points, scored five straight points to give N.C. State a 70-68 lead with 7:09 left.

Michael Edwards then hit a three-pointer, Owens added a layup, Johnson sank two free throws and Conrad McRae scored off a rebound to give Syracuse a 77-70 lead with 4:56 remaining.

Thw Wolfpack never got closer than four points the rest of the way and saw their hopes of upseting the Orangemen die when Chris Corchiani missed from three-point range with the clock running down.

Freshman guard Adrian Autry added 16 points for Syracuse, while McRae had 12 points and eight rebounds.

Chris Corchiani scored 19 points, Tom Gugliotta had 15 points and 14 rebounds, and Bryant Feggins added 12 points and 14 rebounds for N.C. State.

Terry Dehere scored 25 points to lead Seton Hall, 3-1, to victory in the first game over Clemson, 4-1.

-- AROUND THE NCAA --

In other games Tuesday night involving ranked teams, co-No. 7 Indiana beat Vanderbilt 84-73, co-No. 13 Oklahoma topped No. 24 Texas 96-88, No. 15 Alabama fell to Wichita State 74-71 in overtime, No. 21 New Mexico State clipped Texas-El Paso 77-70 and No. 22 Kansas ripped Southern Methodist 80-60.

At Nashville, Tenn., Calbert Cheaney scored 30 points and Indiana used an early 16-0 spurt to beat Vanderbilt. The Commodores broke on top early before the Hoosiers reeled off 16 straight points to take an 18-8 lead.

At Austin, Texas, Jeff Webster scored 35 points and Terrence Mullins added 15 to pace Oklahoma. Joey Wright, Benford Williams, and Locksley Collie each had 17 points for the Longhorns. Texas gaurd Teyon McCoy hit 5 three-pointers to account for all of his 15 points.

At Wichita, Kan., Phil Mendelson hit two free throws with six seconds left in overtime to lift Wichita State over Alabama. The Crimson Tide had sent the game into overtime 68-68 on a three-point goal by Melvin Cheatum with four seconds left in regulation.

At El Paso, Texas, Tracey Ware scored 21 points and New Mexico State's pressure defense forced 16 turnovers to beat Texas-El Paso. New Mexico State swept its annual two-game series with the rival Miners for the first time since 1975.

At Lawrence, Kan., Mark Randall scored 30 points one week following surgery on his right leg to lead Kansas past Southern Methodist. Randall, who had surgery Nov. 27 to relieve pressure in his leg, hit 11 of 13 shots from the floor and 8 of 9 free throws.

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COTTON FUTURES NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 30 points higher to 25 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	76.10	76.20	75.91	76.20	75.90
Mar	73.90	74.02	73.61	73.63	73.88
May	73.55	73.60	73.33	73.38	73.48
Jly	73.48	73.50	73.20	73.22	73.35
Oct	67.80	....	....	67.90	67.73
Dec	65.40	65.45	65.20	65.40	65.27
Mar	66.10	66.20	66.20	66.10	66.11
May	66.35	....	....	66.50	66.43

Estimated sales: 3,500 contracts
Open interest: 40,205 off 36
The World spot average: 68.59

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - The stock market rallied Wednesday in heavy trading as optimism that the Persian Gulf crisis would be solved diplomatically fueled a sharp rise late in the session.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 14.11 Tuesday, surged 30.70 to close at 2610.40, finishing above the 2600 level for the first time since Sept. 12.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 1.92 to 180.11 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index jumped 3.57 to 329.92. The price of an average share added 33 cents.

Advances pounded declines 1,065-490 among the 2,005 NYSE issues traded. Big Board volume totaled 205,820,000 shares compared with the 185,820,000 traded Tuesday.

Stocks drifted with slight gains through early afternoon, when the State Department announced that Iraq had accepted President Bush's offer to hold talks on the Mideast crisis.

That news sent stocks rallying into the close and oil prices tumbled. January crude oil futures closed $3.37 lower at $27.29 a barrel.

''I think the drop in oil prices along with the State Department confirmation that the Iraqis are willing to talk sent the market higher, '' said Michael Metz, analyst at Oppenheimer & Co.

''About what remains to be seen, but they're in a loquacious mood nevertheless '' Metz said.

Financial issues kept the market in the plus column for the early part of the session, rallying for the second day in a row after a decision by the Fed to reduce some bank reserve requirements on non- personal time deposits and net Eurocurrency liabilities.

Both requirements, now at 3 percent, will be lowered to zero, ''over the coming weeks,'' the Fed said Tuesday. The move was the first change in reserve requirements since 1983.

Some analysts said the move would essentially amount to an easing of credit conditions because banks would be able to free some of their reserves for other lending. But Metz said he expected the cut in reserve requirements to manifest itself most strongly in bank earnings reports and the prices of bank stocks.

''The move will put dollars in banks' pockets and help their earnings,'' he said. ''There won't be an enormous flow down to the bottom line and it won't have the effect of making banks loosen their credit standards but it will bolster their capital positions.

''It'll really benefit the banking group, which had been badly battered. So it looks like the psychology here is one of restrained optimism,'' Metz said.

On the trading floor, AT&T was the most active issue, off 1/4 to 30 1/8. Reports after the close said NCR had rejected its $90-a-share bid but would talk with AT&T if it boosted the bid to $125 a share. NCR surged 3 1/8 to 86 5/8.

Financial and banking issues dominated the actives list. Federal National Mortgage Association followed, rallying 2 5/8 to 34 1/4. Citicorp was third, up 1 3/8 to 15 3/4. Other banks rallying in heavy trading included First Bank System, up 1 to 14 3/4; First Interstate Bancorp, up 3 1/2 to 25 3/4; BankAmerica, up 1 5/8 to 26 1/8 and Chase Manhattan, up 1 1/4 to 12 3/4.

Among the other blue chips, IBM rose 1/8 to 114 3/4, General Electric rallied 2 to 57 and American Express gained 1 3/4 to 22 3/4.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 252,680,520 shares, compared with the 227,059,070 traded in the previous session.

Prices rose sharply in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index gained 2.77 to close at 305.41. Advances led declines 353-226 among the 834 issues traded. The price of an average share rose 9 cents. Composite volume totaled 16,116,750 shares vs. 15,638,150 traded Tuesday.

Continental Airlines Holdings led the Amex issues, unchanged at 1 3/4. The airline Monday filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection for the second time in seven years because of a surge in fuel prices.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 6.76 to close at 370.87.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 457.52, up 1.26 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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CRYSTAL CITY, VA (DEC. 5) UPI - In an important victory for anti-smoking forces, a government advisory board endorsed key sections of a draft report linking ''second-hand'' cigarette smoke and cancer in non- smokers.

The Enviromental Protection Agency's Scientific Advisory Board, which evaluates the scientific validity of EPA studies, gave its informal support to a preliminary EPA report that estimated 3,800 non-smoking Americans die each year from lung cancer caused by exposure to smoke from other people's cigarettes.

The decision to endorse the report was made by a 16-member subcommittee of the advisory board known as the Indoor Air Quality and Total Human Exposure Committee, which is composed of experts on the health effects of toxic air pullutants.

Dr. Morton Lippmann, chairman of the subcommittee, said that while the draft EPA report had large data gaps and did not include all relevant studies on the issue, the panel was convinced that it presented a relatively strong case that ''enviromental tobacco smoke'' does cause cancer in non-smokers.

''We are persuaded that the evidence exists, subject to further review of it - for considering that ETS does cause lung cancer in non- smokers. That has to be a tentative judgment until we see how you develop the case for it further '' Lippmann told EPA staff officials who prepared the draft risk assessment.

''The case was not - many people felt - fully developed in the document that we did review,'' said Lippman, an inhalation toxicologist at New York University. But he added, ''In consideration of the material presented - as well as the material discussed and reviewed that was not presented - we feel you should be able to make that case.''

Lippmann also said the board largely endorsed findings of the report that mothers who smoke around their children increase the youngsters' vulnerability to respiratory disease later in life.

Lippmann urged EPA officials to revise the report to include other data and health studies that he said would further bolster their case for suggesting ETS causes lung cancer in non-smokers and childhood health effects.

The American Lung Association, American Cancer Society and Amherican Heart Association issued a statement Wednesday saying they were ''extremely pleased'' with the committee's support for the risk assessment.

The announcement came after a two-day public hearing during which tobacco industry and anti-smoking groups each presented batteries of scientists with opposing views on the subject.

Anti-smoking advocates hailed the study for providing the first specific ''body count'' attributable to passive smoking. But they said the estimate of 3,800 lung cancer deaths represented only a fraction of the total death toll caused by second-hand smoke, pointing to studies that suggest is responsible

for 50,000 deaths a year from heart disease and all cancers.

The Tobacco Institute, which represents the industry, criticized the study as ''speculation without an adequate scientific foundation.''

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska (DEC. 5) UPI - Thanks to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, oil-rich Alaska may reap a $1 billion windfall in surplus revenues and even more if war breaks out, state officials said Wednesday.

''We expect a windfall,'' said Gov. Walter Hickel, who is already plotting major development projects for the money.

Alaska's surplus earnings may climb as high as $2 billion, according to state budget officials and revenue reports.

So, while Americans pay higher prices for gasoline and ponder the possibility of U.S. troops going to war in the Persian Gulf, Alaska seems well on its way to striking a bonanza.

Alaska, which is the nation's biggest oil producing state and supplies one-fourth of all domestic output, is as dependent on oil earnings as Americans are dependent on oil.

With 85 percent of all state revenues derived from oil, higher oil prices and increased production have filled the treasury and topped it off with the growing surplus.

Alaska oil producers have increased their output since the Iraqi invasion and production has risen to 2 million barrels daily, its highest level in two years.

Just how rich Alaska gets depends on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's actions and President Bush's reactions.

Because Alaska is so dependent on oil, state petroleum economists regularly issue revenue forecasts so budget-makers know how much there will be to spend.

Until now, the state oil economists have based their predictions on three scenarios for the price of oil - low, middle and high. However, the latest state revenue forecast rejects this system in favor of ''peace, limited war, extended war'' scenarios.

The forecast gives no more weight to the peace scenario than it does to the two war scenarios. ''We're not trying to make any kind of prediction on the outcome of war,'' state petroleum economist Chuck Logsdon said.

According to the report, Saudi Arabian oil, which is the basis for world oil prices, will cost $23 a barrel next year if there is peace, $29 a barrel if there is a limited war, and more than $35 a barrel if major military action disrupts regional oil production in the Middle East.

Logsdon rejects predictions by some that war would shoot oil prices to as high as $100 per barrel.

Still, the state surplus could reach $2.8 billion if war breaks out, the report said.

Alaska stands to earn at least $600,000 above its current $2.5 billion spending plan under the peace scenario, but budget director Alison Elgee said current revenues and oil prices point to a $1.5 billion surplus for fiscal year 1991.

Hickel, sworn in as governor Monday, said he expected to have the extra $1 billion in the treasury.

No matter what happens in the Persian Gulf, according to state revenue summaries and forecasts, Alaska will profit.

The state earns money from oil through production taxes, royalties on oil owned by the state, corporate income taxes on oil companies and other oil taxes.

Under the ''peace'' scenario, Alaska oil economists envision a negotiated settlement next year in which Iraq withdraws from Kuwait, both countries resume oil exports and negotiate ownership of disputed lands. The scenario also envisions ''minor'' new oil consumption taxes in the United States and increased production by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to meet demand.

The limited war scenario assumes swift military action to push Iraq out of Kuwait and restore lost production. World oil consumption and production would rise slightly and the United States would levy a ''modest'' consumption tax.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Vancouver	1	1	2-4
NY Islanders	0	2	0-2

First period-1, Vancouver, Valk 5 (Bradley, Lumme), 1:08.

Penalties-Sandlak, Van, 4:23; Odjick, Van, major (fighting), 17:59; Vukota, NYI, major (fighting), 17:59.

Second period-2, NY Islanders, Volek 9 (LaFontaine, Wood), :46. 3, NY Islanders, Wood 8 (Norton), 5:06. 4, Vancouver, Valk 6 (Kron), 15:32.

Penalties-Vukota, NYI, 8:26.

Third period-5, Vancouver, Adams 8 (Bozek), 14:47. 6, Vancover, Linden 15 (unassisted), en, 19:54.

Penalties-Nordmark, Van, 4:12; Sutter, NYI, 5:30; Ferraro, NYI, 6:35; Butcher, Van, 19:16.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 8-13-9-30. NY Islanders 15-8-7-30.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 4-0. NY Islanders 3-0.

Goaltenders-Vancouver, McLean. NY Islanders, Healy. A-9,826.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

Boston	1	2	1	1-5
Detroit	1	0	3	0-4

First period-1, Boston, Carpenter 8, 3:03. 2, Detroit, Fedorov 12 (Djoos, Shank), 13:29.

Penalties-Pedersen, Bos, 6:24; Shank, Det, 10:52; Burr, Det, 13:55.

Second period-3, Boston, Janney 6 (Burridge, B.Sweeney), 1:54. 4, Boston, Janney 7 (Galley, Christian), 6:21.

Penalties-Nilan, Bos, 2:35; Pedersen, Bos, 11:54; Dollas, Det, 15:26; Pedersen Bos, 18:55.

Third period-5, Detroit, Dollas 2 (Yzerman, McCrimmon), 7:59. 6, Detroit, Fedorov 13 (Fedyk, Garpenlov), 8:16. 7, Boston, Pedersen 1 (Ruzicka, Hodge), 11:55. 8, Detroit, Yzerman 14 (Burr, Fedorov), 18:58.

Penalties-Primeau, Det, misconduct, 6:19.

Overtime-9, Boston, Burridge 8 (B. Sweeney, Janney), 1:03.

Penalties-Boston Coach Milbury, gross misconduct, 1:03.

Shots on goal-Boston 6-10-7-2-25. Detroit 8- 15-15-1-39.

Power-play conversions-Boston 3-0. Detroit 4-0.

Goaltenders-Boston, Moog. Detroit, Cheveldae. A-19,471.

Referee-Denis Morel.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I brings the latest news.

President Bush says he doesn't think economic sanctions alone will be enough to force Iraq to withdraw its troops from Kuwait. Bush told a news conference in the Uruguayan capital that he doesn't think Saddam Hussein ''has gotten the message'' of the U-N resolutions demanding he withdraw from Kuwait.

Meanwhile, a flurry of diplomatic activity continues in efforts to settle the crisis before the U-N's January 15th deadline for the withdrawl of Iraqi troops. The foreign ministers of Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria met in Cairo yesterday, reportedly in a bid to create a rift between Saddam and his few Arab allies to isolate him further.

In another development, the London-based Sky Television News satellite network reports that Saddam is offering to withdraw his troops from Kuwait in return for a guarantee that he won't be attacked. And he reportedly wants to be allowed to keep an oil field captured during the invasion.

Federal investigators today will listen to flight data from the two Northwest Airlines jetliners that collided at Detroit's airport for further clues to the cause of the crash. Radio transcripts from the deadly runway crash indicate that one pilot was lost in fog. Eight people died in Monday's collision and 21 others were injured.

A jury in New York resumes deliberating for a sixth day today in the trial of two teen-agers accused in the rape and attempted murder of a Central Park jogger. Kevin Richardson and Kharey Wise are accused of being part of a gang of up to 30 youths that rampaged through the moonlit park, randomly beating and robbing joggers on April 19th, 1989.

In Dallas, closing arguments begin today in the thrift fraud trial of former Vernon Savings and Loan owner Don Dixon. The 51-year-old Dixon is accused of using thrift funds to make illegal political contributions, pay for female entertainment and to support a lavish lifestyle. Vernon collapsed, costing taxpayers one-point-three-BILLION dollars.

The Navy has taken disciplinary action against several admirals for NOT adequately warning senior Pentagon officials of cost overruns in the A-12

Avenger aircraft program. The Navy ordered the retirement of one admiral, censured and transferred another... and disciplined a third.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - Crude oil plummeted more than $3 a barrel Wednesday to its lowest price in three months as the market sold on what it saw as improving chances of a peaceful settlement of the Persian Gulf crisis.

The American benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for January delivery tumbled $3.37 to $27.29 a barrel in one of the biggest daily declines in the history of the New York Mercantile Exchange.

This was the lowest WTI closing price since the $26.77 a barrel settlement of Aug. 30, the exchange said.

The market was under selling pressure for most of the day from an unconfirmed late Tuesday report by Sky Television News that Iraq would be willing to withdraw from Kuwait, occupied since its Aug. 2 invasion, if Kuwait would cede a portion of the disputed Rumaila oil field.

''That (Iraqi) story out last night pretty much shook everybody up,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading at United Energy Inc. in New York. The report, however, was denied by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The downward move gained momentum in the afternoon when the State Department announced that Saddam had formally accepted a proposal by President Bush to hold top-level talks to end the Persian Gulf crisis without armed conflict, said Kirk Kinnear of the Phibro Division of Salomon Brothers, Greenwich, Conn.

''There was a meltdown after Iraq's acceptance of the invitation to meet with (Secretary of State James) Baker and Saddam said 'everything is on the table ''' the trader said.

''The market broke down technically and everything started snowballing,'' he said, with the market taking out one support level after another. ''We're still losing the 'war premium' and I don't know where the bottom is,'' Kinnear said.

''That's what got us rolling,'' agreed Ed Kevelson of Dean Witter Reynolds' International Energy Desk in New York.

''After the news (of the Iraqi acceptance) hit the screen around 2:00 p.m. EST the price of crude dropped another $1.50,'' said Andrew Shasha, a broker with Star Petroleum Supply in Englewood, N.J.

Bentz said the market has a feeling ''there's some kind of peace negotiations

out there despite Baker's tough talk.''

Tom Blakeslee of the Pegasus Econometrics Group in Hoboken, N.J. said, ''We believe something will break here ... The United States could be outflanked by an Arab solution to the crisis.''

Saddam said Tuesday that he preferred the crisis be settled within the Arab world.

After meeting in Baghdad with Jordan's King Hussein, Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat, he said in a joint communique that ''an Arab-Arab dialogue is a necessity'' in resolving the crisis, the Iraqi news agency INA reported.

In his testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Baker said he had no plans to negotiate with Saddam over the U.N. resolutions setting Jan. 15 as a deadline for his withdrawal from Kuwait and imposing an embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports.

On the Merc, home heating oil for January delivery plunged 5.76 cents from Tuesday to 81.14 cents a gallon while January unleaded gasoline contracts plummeted 7.08 cents to 68.84 cents a gallon.

On the European spot market, where crude barrels are bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent lost $3.15 to $28.95 a barrel.

United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the key OPEC crude from the Middle East shipped mainly to the Far East - gave up $3.10 to $23.25 a barrel.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Baltimore - Traded outfielder Dave Gallagher to California for pitcher David Martinez and minor-league pitcher Mike Hook.

Boston - Signed free-agent pitcher Matt Young to 3-year contract.

California - Traded minor league pitcher Marcus Moore to Toronto for minor league catcher Ken Rivers; agreed to terms on a minor-league contract with pitcher Ed Vosberg.

Cleveland - Traded outfielder Cory Snyder and minor league infielder Lindsay Foster to Chicago (AL) for right-handed pitchers Eric King and Shawn Hillegas.

Kansas City - Signed pitcher Dan Schatzeder to 1-year contract; waived outfielder Jeff Schulz.

Milwaukee - Signed pitcher Edwin Nunez to 2-year contract.

National League - Named Phyllis Collins senior vice president and secretary and Katy Feeney vice president, media and public affairs; named Fred Kuhlmann of St. Louis to NL executive council.

New York (AL) - Signed second baseman Steve Sax to 4-year contract extension through 1995 season.

San Francisco - Signed pitcher Dave Righetti to 4-year contract; traded infielder Ernest Riles to Oakland for outfielder Darren Lewis and a player to be named.

Toronto - Infielder Rance Mulliniks agreed to terms on a 2-year contract.

BASKETBALL

Houston - Waived guard Mike Woodson; activated forward-center Adrian Caldwell.

Minnesota - Named Jim Brewer player personnel director.

Orlando - Placed guard Sam Vincent on injured list; signed guard Morlon Wiley.

FOOTBALL

Minnesota - Claimed linebacker Jimmy Williams on waivers from Detroit.

New England - Released tight end Lin Dawson and safety Brian Hutson off injured reserve.

Phoenix - Waived nose tackle Craig Patterson; activated defensive end Dexter Manley.

Washington - Released punter Ralf Mojsiejenko; signed punter Kelly Goodburn.

HOCKEY

NY Islanders - Assigned rght wing Alan Kerr to Capital District of the American Hockey League for conditioning purposes.

TENNIS

TeamTennis - Announced Atlanta will have a team for the 1991 season.

U.S. Tennis Association - Retained Davis Cup captain Tom Gorman for 1991.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Saatichi & Saatchi				
Taiwan Fund Inc				
Stock Split				
Cascade Intl	..	6P	1-15	12-31
Fst Union REI	..	4PC	2-1	1-2
Increased				
Corning Inc	Q	.25	12-31	12-17
ONBANCorp Inc	Q	.07	1-2	12-19
Quanex Corp	Q	.12	12-31	12-17
Stanhome inac	Q	.23	1-1	12-19
Extra				
Univest Corp	..	.23	1-2	12-7
Usual				
ACCEL Intl Corp	..	.05	2-1	1-2
Banta Corp	..	.14	1-31	1-18
Comstock Ptrs SFI	..	.1785	12-31	12-20
Deere & Co	Q	.50	2-1	12-31
Florida Rock Indust	S	.25	1-2	12-19
General Dynamics Corp	Q	.25	2-15	1-18
Handleman Co	Q	.10	1-10	12-27
Peoples Energy Corp	Q	.41 1/2	1-15	12-19
Princeton Mining	..	.06	1-3	12-18
Solomon Inc	Q	.16	1-2	12-17
Telephone/Data Sys	Q	.07	12-28	12-14
Telephone/Data Sys A	Q	.07	12-28	12-14
Univest Corp	Q	.23	1-2	12-7

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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#90339u0314 12/05/1990 ~United Press International
SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 5) UPI - A Soviet lawmaker and anti-nuclear leader began a tour of the United States Wednesday to urge Americans to demand an end of nuclear testing in the Nevada desert in a campaign similar to efforts to stop such tests in the Soviet Union.

In 1989, Olzhas Suleimenov, a member of the Soviet Congress of Peoples' Deputies, led a grassroots effort in his native Kazakhstan to block testing at the Semipalatinsk site in the U.S.S.R.

He said the Soviets had planned 18 tests at Semipalatinsk that year but were prevented from conducting 11 tests because of massive pressure from the Kazakhstan region and later a legislative ban.

Suleimenov is founder of the Nevada-Semipalatinsk anti-nuclear movement in the Soviet Union.

He told reporters through a translator Wednesday the Soviet and American nuclear weapons testing facilities are ''like Siamese twins - they are joined inseparably.''

''If one is healthy, the other will try to remain healthy. If one is ill, the other too will become ill. We have decided to be the first one to get ill,'' Suleimenov said of his effort to stop Soviet testing at Semipalatinsk.

He said he would take his U.S. tour to promote a comprehensive ban on nuclear weapons testing by addressing nuclear weapons scientists and engineers at the Lawrence Livermore Laboratory in Northern California Thursday.

Lawrence Livermore is one of America's prime weapons research sites. The other is Los Alamos, N.M.

Suleimenov said, ''The creative egotism of (nuclear) scientists is one of the main driving forces behind the nuclear race. They must rein in their creative egos.''

Suleimenov, in urging Americans to pressure for a test ban, said Iraq has indicated it will abide by a nuclear weapons research ban if world powers agree.

He said a comprehensive test ban will be the focus of an international conference in New York in January. The 118 signers of the 1963 Limited Test Ban Treaty, which ended above-ground testing, will debate the further ban.

Suleimenov said the majority of nations, including the Soviet Union, favor the comprehensive test ban. He accused the Bush administration of opposition to efforts to negotiate such a ban.

Suleimenov said in recent discussions with Soviet President Gorbachev, the Soviet leader indicated, ''If we ourselves have not halted production of nuclear weapons, what moral right do we have to ban others?''

''The Cold War is not finally over yet because nuclear tests continue,'' he

said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1007.8
Tuesday	1013.1
Week ago	1020.6
Month ago	1034.1
Year ago	1057.5
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1007.8

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 5) UPI - New evidence bolsters the view that dinosaurs and many other life forms suddenly disappeared 65 million years ago after a huge comet or asteroid struck Earth, a leading scientist says.

The report, presented Tuesday at the annual meeting of the American Geophysical Union, was sure to rekindle debate on the controversial topic of how the ancient animals abruptly vanished.

More than 2,000 papers have been written on the topic since Nobel laureate Luis Alvarez and his son, Walter, first proposed their ''extraterrestial'' theory of dinosaur extinction in 1980.

In an overview of the latest findings, Walter Alvarez, a geology professor at the University of California at Berkeley, said research along an ancient sea floor in southern Spain showed a species of single- celled marine plankton, called foramnifera, suddenly became extinct at the end of the Cretaceous period of history.

Similarly, he said, University of Washington scientists have found many species of mollusks died out precisely at the end of the Cretaceous period - about 65 million years ago.

And, new studies of dinosaur fossils in Montana has shown an extinction pattern ''consistent with a catastrophic extinction,'' rather than a gradual decline, Alvarez said.

Studies have shown as many as 75 percent of all life forms on Earth perished at that time, he said.

However, University of Colorado researchers recently reported the discovery of

two sets of dinosaur fossils in Wyoming that they say are at odds the sudden extinction theory. Robert Bakker and his colleagues said the dinosaurs appear to have lived 1 million years after their species were thought to have died out.

''Every major extinction of dinosaurs occurred in a series of pulses, '' said Bakker, who argues the mass-catastrophe theory of dinosaur extinction ''is simply not true.''

But Alvarez told the 3,000 scientists attending the geology meeting that there is evidence that at least two large extraterrestrial objects struck what is now North America about the time the many life forms died 65 million years ago.

One crater, discovered in Iowa, dates to the end of the Cretaceous era. Crystals dating to the same period have been found a similar crater, 100 kilometers in diameter, on Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula.

Other scientists believe they have found evidence of a giant asteroid or comet striking Earth at two sites in the Caribbean Sea.

Scientists have calculated that an object with a diameter of 6 miles, falling at 12 miles per second, would have the impact of a 70 million megaton bomb.

Alvarez cited a recent University of Chicago study that indicates the impact of such a comet-like object would trigger winds up to 300 miles an hours, tidal waves that run for hours, increased global darkness withcold temporatures for months, and acid and toxic chemical rain for years to decades.

''At first, our critics challenged the impact theory by asking how a comet impact could wipe out as many species as the geological record shows,'' Alvarez said. ''Now they are asking how any species could survive.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank seller rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S. $ Equivalent		Currency per U.S. dlrs	
	Tues	Mon	Tues	Mon
Argntn astrl	.000204	.000204	4895.00	4900.00
Astrl dlr	.7678	.7780	1.3024	1.2853
Astr schll	.0951	.0978	10.52	10.55
Blgm frnc-c	.0322	.0322	31.00	31.05
Blgm frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brzl crzd	.0070	.0070	142.59	142.59

Brtn pnd	1.9255	1.9295	.5193	.5183
Brtn 1-m	1.9161	1.9201	.5219	.5208
Brtn 3-m	1.8998	1.9048	.5264	.5250
Brtn 6-m	1.8791	1.8848	.5322	.5306
Cnd dllr	.8599	.8584	1.1629	1.1650
Cnd 1-m	.8571	.8557	1.1667	1.1687
Cnd 3-m	.8522	.8508	1.1734	1.1734
Cnd 6-m	.8450	.8437	1.1834	1.1852
Chl ps-f	.003097	.003103	322.85	322.29
China yn	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
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Fnlnd mrkk	.2777	.2776	3.6010	3.6020
Frnc frnc	.1970	.1969	5.0770	5.0785
Frnc 1-m	.1967	.1967	5.0838	5.0843
Frnc 3-m	.1959	.1960	5.1035	5.1018
Frnc 6-m	.1948	.1949	5.1330	5.1305
Grc drch	.006546	.006477	152.76	154.39
Hllnd gldr	.5914	.5900	1.6910	1.6950
HngKng dlr	.1281	.1282	7.8048	7.8032
India rp	.0583	.0557	17.15	17.96
Ind's rp	.000535	.000535	1870.00	1869.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Irq dnr	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Irlnd pnt	1.7798	1.7735	0.5619	0.5639
Isrl shkl	.5038	.5048	1.9850	1.9810
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Jpn 1-m	.007556	.007564	132.35	132.20
Jpn 3-m	.007617	.007587	131.29	131.80
Jpn 6-m	.007686	.007692	130.10	130.00
Jrdn dnr	1.5413	1.5413	.6488	.6488
Kwt dnr	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lbnn pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mxc ps-z	.000343	.000343	2919.00	2918.00
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Nrwy krn	.1704	.1701	5.8700	5.8800
Pkstn rp	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Per int	.000002	.000002	421,400	423,550
P'pns ps-z	.0365	.0365	27.36	27.36
Prtgl escd	.007628	.007573	131.09	132.04
Saudi ryl	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
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Grmny mrk	.6670	.6656	1.4993	1.5023
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Grmny 3-m	.6648	.6635	1.5043	1.5071
Grmny 6-m	.6621	.6606	1.5103	1.5137
Ygsl dnr	.0975	.0969	10.26	10.32

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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LONDON (DEC. 5) UPI - The dollar opened lower against the major European currencies Wednesday, pushed back by the German mark, which was robust on interest rate talk, dealers said. Gold was lower.

''There's a feeling in the market that the Germans are just about ready to tighten the screw on interest rates,'' said Wayne Andrews, a currency analyst at Barclays de Zoete Wedd.

An unconfirmed television report that Iraq was ready to pull out of Kuwait, which sent the dollar into a spin in Asia overnight, was largely being ignored by European traders, Andrews said.

In Frankfurt, the dollar opened lower at 1.5005 German marks against 1.5043 at Tuesday's close.

In Zurich, the dollar also opened lower at 1.2785 Swiss francs, from 1.2815 on Tuesday.

The pound opened stronger against the dollar, at $1.9325 from $1.9245 at the close on Tuesday.

The dollar opened lower in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at 5.0700 French francs from 5.0870, 30.99 Belgian francs from 31.05 and 1,126.50 Italian lire from 1,130.50.

Earlier, the dollar plunged against the Japanese yen in active trading Wednesday on a British news report that Iraq may withdraw from Kuwait.

The dollar closed at 133.42 yen, 0.93 yen lower than Tuesday's close of 134.35 yen, the Bank of Japan said.

Dollar selling slowed later in the session as both British and U.S. authorities cast doubt on the report, dealers said.

Elsewhere in Asia, the dollar closed lower in Singapore, at 1.7185 Singapore dollars against 1.7225 at Tuesday's close.

The dollar closed higher in Hong Kong, at 7.8045 Hong Kong dollars, from 7.8015.

Hong Kong gold closed higher at $376.95 an ounce against $376.65. In Zurich, gold opened lower at $376.5 an ounce from $377, and in London it opened lower at $377 from $377.75.

Silver in Zurich opened unchanged at $4.15 an ounce, and in London silver opened lower at $4.17 an ounce from $4.18.

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BELGRADE (DEC. 5) UPI - The Croatian government Wednesday demanded the dismissal of federal Defense Minister Veljko Kadijevic, saying he ''shamelessly'' exceeded his power by warning that the army would act to avert a breakup of the Yugoslav federation.

The nationalist administration of Croatian President Franjo Tudjman said it sent a formal request to the federal government to convene the national Parliament to take up the issue of replacing Kadijevic, a four- star general.

There was no immediate reaction from the federal government of Prime Minister Ante Markovic, who has been pursuing a program of economic and political reforms intended to transform the country into a Western-style democracy after 45 years of communist rule.

Kadijevic said in an interview Sunday that the Yugoslav military, the nation's last bastion of orthodox communism, favored maintaining Yugoslavia's socialist foundation and would not tolerate the dissolution of the six-republic federation founded in 1918.

He also sharply criticized nationalist parties, which won power over communists in Slovenia, Croatia, and Bosnia-Hercegovina, and said the army would ''use force'' to disarm independent republic defense units and other

armed groups.

The Tudjman government, in an official statement issued in the Croatian capital of Zagreb, 250 miles northwest of Belgrade, accused Kadijevic of exceeding his authority under the Yugoslav Constitution.

''Gen. Kadijevic shamelessly overstepped the competence of the federal minister and usurped the competences of the (collective) presidency of Yugoslavia as the supreme commander of the Yugoslav People's Army,'' said the statement.

''In his statements, he places the Yugoslav People's Army as the supreme arbiter of the constitutional crisis in Yugoslavia, threatens the use of force and passes judgement on democratic processes on the country,'' it said.

The Croatian and Slovenian administrations have adopted legislation giving them peacetime control of military contingents on their territories as part of their campaigns for greater autonomy from the central government.

While Croatia has not implemented its law, Slovenia in September assumed command of its military reserve force and moved its staff to a new location just hours before the army occupied its headquarters building.

The Slovenian government has refused to hand over its reserve armories to the army and negotiations to defuse the confrontation have been stalemated.

The administrations in Slovenia and Croatia are threatening to secede unless Yugoslavia is converted from a loose federation of six republics to a confederation of independent nations.

Both governments fear domination of the federation by majority Serbs following the demise in January of the national communist organization.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - Women may be more prone to depression than men because of a greater likelihood to suffer sexual and physical abuse, unhappy marriages and poverty, the American Psychological Association reported Wednesday.

Women are twice as likely as men to develop depression. At least 7 million women in the United States have been diagnosed as suffering from depression, but as many as half of all cases may never be diagnosed.

The 95-page ''Women and Depression'' report was prepared by the 20- member Task Force on Women and Depression, which was formed by the American Psychological Association in 1987 because, the report says, ''depression was

and is one of the most serious mental health problems of the 80s and 90s.''

The report calls for improvements in the diagnosis and treatment of the devastating mental illness and more research, especially into particular groups such as minorities, lesbians, professional women and older women.

''Hopefully, our efforts will be succcessful and help reduce women's pain and suffering from depression,'' wrote Ellen McGrath, an adjunct associate professor at New York University who chaired the task force.

The task force found women appear to be at increased risk for depression ''due to a number of social, economic, biological and emotional factors.'' For example:

-The ''rate of sexual and physical abuse of females is much higher than previously suspected and is a major factor in women's depression.'' As many as half of all women may be victims of abuse by age 21, the task force said.

-While marriage tends to reduce a man's risk of depression, in ''unhappy marriages,'' women are far more likely than men to be depressed. Mothers of young children are especially vulnerable to depression and the ''more children in the house, the more depression is reported.''

-Poverty is a ''pathway to depression'' for women, with 75 percent of the U.S. population living in poverty being women and children.

-Depression in women ''is related to certain cognitive and personality styles '' such as avoidance, passivity, dependence, pessimism, negative cognitive styles and ''focusing too much on depressed feelings.''

''Current theory, research on risk factors, treatment research, and treatment techniques with depressed women yield a mixed picture of painful realities and practical hope,'' the report said.

''Painful realities include the finding that depression can be persistent,'' it said, noting that more than half of women with depression report still having symptoms nine years later.

However, the illness, characterized by a debilitating sense of hopelessness and sadness, can be successfully treated in 80 percent to 90 percent of cases with drugs and personal therapy. But the disease is often misdiagnosed or undiagnosed, and drug misuse ''is a very real danger for women,'' the report said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - America's schoolchildren will eat healthier lunches

if schools lock up the candy and soda machines and put more fruits and vegetables - and fewer fatty foods - on the cafeteria menu, a panel of experts said.

The unofficial Citizens Commission on School Nutrition also urged a sharp increase in funding for the school lunch program, which feeds about 24 million children a day.

In addition, the commission called for efforts over several years to limit the fat content in those foods to a level accounting for no more than 30 percent of the calories in a school lunch.

Many health authorities, as well as the new edition of the government's Dietary Guidelines for Americans, recommend a 30 percent ceiling on fat. A recent federal study indicated fat accounts for 37 percent of the calories consumed by children.

Congress appropriated $3.38 billion for the school lunch program this fiscal year. The program provides free or reduced-cost meals to low- income children.

The commission, sponsored by the Center for Science in the Public Interest, unveiled its recommendations Wednesday. Unlike calls for reform from other consumer groups, it came with support from the school lunch industry.

''We are delighted to lend our support to and endorse the ... publication'' of the recommendations, said Vivian Pilant, a leader in the American School Food Service Association. ''It is important to note this report establishes flexible goals and recommendations for the national school lunch program.''

As an example, the recommendations called for reaching, over the next two to four years, a 35-percent limit on calories from fat, averaged over a month. Schools would aim for a 30-percent limit by the end of this decade.

The report suggested the government could help by adopting rules that set nutritional standards for lunches, allowing only low-fat milk to be sold and helping to train cafeteria workers and students about healthful foods.

One of the four major suggestions by the panel was for a ban on the sale of candy, soda, fried chips, sodas and other relatively non- nutritious foods on school property during school hours. Some schools use the sales as a way to raise money for special projects.

The experts said a switch to higher-fiber and lower-fat meals should be accompanied by explanations to students about what is best to eat.

''Simply providing nutritious items will not get some children to actually eat the foods,'' the report said. ''In practice, implementing nutrition-oriented changes often means changing foods gradually.''

There have been repeated suggestions over the past few years for the government to do more to get the fat and salt out of school lunches.

One organization, Public Voice for Food and Health Policy, wants to see immediate adoption of a 30 percent limit on calories from fat. It is exploring the possibility of legislation to mandate the ceiling.

Phil Shanholtzer, a spokesman for the Food and Nutrition Service, which oversees the school lunch program, said the agency, in line with the new Dietary Guidelines, is trying to reduce the amount of fat in school lunches.

The government has revised some of its regulations to reduce the fat content in foods it donates to schools and it has offered recipe cards to schools to help improve the nutritional content of meals.

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EMMAUS, Pa. (DEC. 5) UPI - Decades of technical innovations and regulations designed to make the nation's highways safer have resulted in widespread support for stricter auto safety and drunken driving measures, a survey said Tuesday.

But many Americans remain confused about the role and value of auto safety devices, according to the nationwide survey conducted by Louis Harris and Associates, Inc. for General Motors and Prevention magazine, published by Rodale Press in Emmaus.

The survey found overwhelming support - 81 percent - for state laws requiring the use of seat belts. But only a slight majority of those questioned - 51 percent - believe air bags offer better protection in a crash than solely seat belts.

The survey, which has a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percent, was conducted in November and December 1989 and was based on interviews with 1,250 randomly selected adults.

It found 72 percent of adults in states without seat belt laws would support governmental policies mandating seat belt usage. In states that already have such laws, 83 percent said they were supported the laws.

But Americans are not so keen on the use of air bags. Eighteen percent, or nearly one in five adults surveyed, believe air bags can cause serious injury when they inflate; 35 percent said they can trap people in their cars when inflated, and 38 percent considered accidental inflation of the bag a serious problem.

Only about 30 percent said they would pay an additional $500 for a car equipped with an air bag.

On the issue of drunken driving, one in five Americans admitted they have driven after drinking. Almost four times as many college-educated, affluent professionals are likely to drive after drinking than those without high school diplomas, the survey said. And those with household incomes of more than $50,000 are twice as likely to get behind the wheel after drinking than those with incomes below $15,000.

Twenty-eight percent of men admit they have driven after drinking, compared to just 14 percent of women.

Among those who admit to driving after drinking, four out of five support license and license plate suspension for drunk driving offenses.

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MIAMI (DEC. 5) UPI - A former Panamanian military leader thought to be the right hand man in Gen. Manuel Noriega's drug dealings signed a plea agreement Wednesday that calls for him to testify against the deposed strongman in exchange for a 3-year prison term.

Lt. Col. Luis del Cid and defense attorney San Burstyn agreed to the terms of the plea Tuesday and it was signed around 4:30 p.m. Wednesday. It was to be presented to U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler at a hearing Thursday morning.

''The government is going to recommend a 3-year sentence after he cooperates, which would mean he would have to serve two years,'' Burstyn said. ''We are very happy about that since he has already served one year. That means he may end up serving less time than he would have if he had waited for the trial to begin.''

The case originally was scheduled for trial in March but then was delayed until Jan. 29 and lawyers say it probably will have to be delayed again.

Prosecutors believe del Cid was a close associate of Noriega's and know he was closely allied with the Medellin cartel. They expect him to shed considerable light on Noriega's dealings with the cartel.

Frank Rubino, Noriega's lead defense attorney, said del Cid's testimony would favor the general, if he tells the truth.

In a 1988 indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Miami, del Cid, 47, is accused of acting as a liaison and courier between Noriega and drug traffickers. It says he helped move cocaine from Colombia to Panama with the

knowledge it was headed for the United States.

If convicted under that indictment, he would have faced a maximum penalty of 70 years in prison and $550,000 in fines on racketeering, trafficking and conspiracy charges.

Like Noriega, del Cid surrendered during the U.S. military invasion of Panama last December.

Burstyn and the government have been involved in plea negotiations for the past several months. A key impasse had been whether del Cid would be deported to Panama to face possible criminal charges there.

Burstyn said that obstacle was eliminated when the government agreed to opppose any deportation attempts.

''We're very happy about this. We spent eight months negotiating and finally we were able to obtain the concessions we wanted from the U.S. government,'' he said. ''It was a seller's market and we got what we were looking for.''

He earlier had described del Cid as a heroic man who saved lives by discouraging guerrilla warfare in western Panama after the U.S. invasion and ordering his troops to surrender Christmas Day.

But in January, the government released a photograph that showed del Cid with Noriega, Cuban President Fidel Castro and others at a meeting in Havana in the summer of 1984.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Myles Malman said the meeting was called to settle a dispute over the seizure that year of a cocaine laboratory in Panama that was owned by the notorious Medellin cocaine cartel of Colombia. Castro reportedly mediated the dispute.

If the plea is accepted by Hoeveler, del Cid will be the second Noriega co-defendant to plea out before trial.

Pilot Eduardo Pardo was sentenced to 30 months in prison after pleading guilty in February to flying more than $800,000 in drug profits from Fort Lauderdale to Panama.

Noriega is charged under the same indictment as del Cid and 14 others with providing a drug-trafficking and money laundering sanctuary for South American drug smugglers.

The government contends the general took $4.6 million in bribes to ensure the Medellin cartel's cocaine would be transshipped safely through Panama. If convicted, he faces a maximum penalty of 145 years in prison and $1.1 million in fines.

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#90339u0433 12/05/1990 ~United Press International
ARLINGTON, Va. (DEC. 5) UPI - In an important victory for anti-smoking forces, a government advisory board Wednesday endorsed key sections of a draft EPA report linking ''second-hand'' cigarette smoke and cancer in non-smokers.

The Environmental Protection Agency's Scientific Advisory Board, which evaluates the scientific validity of EPA studies, gave its informal support to a preliminary EPA risk assessment that estimated 3, 800 non-smoking Americans die each year from lung cancer caused by exposure to smoke from other people's cigarettes.

The decision to endorse the report was made by a 16-member subcommittee of the advisory board known as the Indoor Air Quality and Total Human Exposure Committee, which is composed of experts on the health effects of toxic air pollutants.

The committee's action increases the likelihood that the EPA ultimately will classify ''environmental tobacco smoke'' as a human carcinogen.

That finding would not necessarily trigger regulatory action by the government but it would give anti-smoking groups a potent legal weapon in their crusade against cigarettes.

The committee's position emerged after a two-day public hearing during which tobacco industry and anti-smoking groups each presented batteries of scientists with opposing views on the scientific validity of EPA risk assessment.

While the committee is not expected to issue its formal statement on the EPA study until next spring at the earliest, the panel's chairman left little doubt as to which direction it was heading.

Panel Chairman Morton Lippmann said that while the draft EPA report had large data gaps and did not include all relevant studies on the issue, the panel was convinced that it presented a relatively strong case that enviromental tobacco smoke does cause cancer in non-smokers.

''We are persuaded that the evidence exists - subject to further review of it - for considering that ETS does cause lung cancer in non- smokers. That has to be a tentative judgment until we see how you develop the case for it further '' Lippmann told EPA staff officials who prepared the draft risk assessment.

''The case was not - many people felt - fully developed in the document that we did review,'' said Lippmann, an inhalation toxicologist at New York University. But he added, ''In consideration of the material presented - as

well as the material discussed and reviewed that was not presented - we feel you should be able to make that case.''

Lippmann also said the board largely endorsed findings of the report that mothers who smoke around their children increase the youngsters' vulnerability to respiratory disease later in life.

Lippmann urged EPA officials to revise the report to include other data and health studies that he said would further bolster their case for suggesting ETS causes lung cancer in non-smokers and damages the health of children.

The American Lung Association, American Cancer Society and American Heart Association issued a statement saying they were ''extremely pleased'' with the committee's support for the risk assessment.

''The committee action is a big win for the health of the American people,'' said Fran Du Melle, spokeswoman for the American Lung Association.

Officials with the Tobacco Institute expressed surprise and dismay at Lippmann's summary remarks at the conclusion of the committee's deliberations. They said his comments did not reflect strong misgivings about the EPA report among some committee members.

Brennan Dawson, a spokeswoman for the institute, said she could not explain why that dissent was not expressed at the committee's concluding press conference. ''I try not to speculate on other people's motives,'' she said.

The EPA risk assessment was based on 24 studies done by different research teams in eight countries.

The key studies compare lung cancer rates among women who live with husbands who smoke to those of women who have nonsmoker spouses. Eighteen studies found wives of smokers had higher cancer rates than women living with nonsmokers.

Among other charges, the Tobacco Institute maintained the studies did not account for other factors that might cause lung cancer, such as occupation and lifestyle.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 5) UPI - The judge in a trial over Elizabeth Taylor's perfume ''Passion'' ruled Wednesday that the criminal record of the actress's ex-boyfriend, who claims he developed the floral fragrance, can be presented as evidence.

In agreeing with Taylor's lawyers on the issue, Superior Court Judge Coleman Swart denied a motion by lawyers for Henry Wynberg who asserted that their

client's misdemeanor conviction stemming from charges involving sex with high school girls is irrelevant.

The trial, which began with jury selection Wednesday, centers on a lawsuit the violet-eyed movie star filed against Wynberg in 1986 seeking to invalidate a contract with him to develop a line of cosmetics under Taylor's name.

Taylor contends Wynberg did nothing to fulfill his obligations under the contract, and that she has long wanted out of their deal because of his conviction.

Wynberg, in a countersuit, alleges Taylor's weight fluctuations, which he referred to as her ''Virginia farm-wife days,'' and battles with addictions to prescription drugs marred her image and made it impossible for him to obtain a contract with a cosmetics firm.

Wynberg, 56, a former used car dealer and native of Holland, filed a second suit in 1989 alleging the actress breached her contract with him and stole the formula for the perfume he developed.

Taylor, 57, launched her perfume in 1987 with Chesebrough-Ponds Inc. A blend of gardenia, jasmine, rose and other scents, the $165-an-ounce perfume was an instant hit.

In promoting the perfume, the actress appeared in television ads wearing a purple satin plunge neck gown and quoting Shakespeare: ''Bee to the blossom, moth to the flame, each to his passion.''

Wynberg is seeking 72 percent of the profits from Passion, which his lawyer, Quentin Kopp, said amounts to $10 million as of the first quarter of 1990.

A horde of reporters and photographers crammed the hallway at the downtown civil courthouse for the trial's opening Wednesday, vying to capture a glimpse of the actress, who arrived wearing a brilliant purple suede suit and a four-strand necklace of large pearls. She was flanked by several bodyguards.

Jury selection was expected to take two or three days and the judge said he hoped to complete the trial by New Year's Day.

Taylor's lawyer, Neil Papiano, posed a number of questions to the prospective jurors, including whether they they had any experience with ''Passion.'' Two women said they wear it.

In the pretrial motions, Kopp had sought to exclude evidence that Wynberg - according to court documents filed by Taylor's lawyers - pleaded no contest in 1977 to misdemeanor counts of statutory rape, providing drugs to underage high school girls in return for sex, and taking pornographic photos of the girls.

Confusing the issue, court documents filed by Wynberg's lawyers indicated the misdemeanors involved bribery, grand theft and improper behavior with an underaged girl.

In any case, Kopp argued the convictions are inflamatory and would direct the jury's attention away from the real issues.

But the judge sided with Taylor's lawyer who stated in court documents that the evidence was ''crucial'' to show why Taylor believed her contract with Wynberg should no longer be held valid.

Kopp, in court documents, vowed to delve into Taylor's moral character since Taylor and her lawyers had ''opened up the can of worms'' by bringing up Wynberg's convictions.

Judge Swart also sided with Taylor's lawyers in agreeing to divide the trial into three phases: the first focusing on whether the contract was valid, the second on whether Taylor breached the contract, and the third on whether Taylor stole Wynberg's perfume formula for Passion.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - The State Department says Iraq has formally accepted a proposal by President Bush to hold top-level talks in a bid to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis peacefully. In testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today, Secretary of State Baker refused to say what he'll tell Saddam Hussein when he meets with the Iraqi leader. But he made it clear he will NOT negotiate.

President Bush gave Argentine President Carlos Menem his support in his recent showdown with military rebels. In return, Menem backed Bush for his ''NO concessions'' stance against Iraq. Bush gave a speech today to a joint session of Argentina's congress. But his appearance was slightly disrupted by a brawl between two congressmen. Quipped Bush- ''DON'T worry. I feel at home here.''

The investigation continues into the cause of Monday's fiery collision of two Northwest Airlines planes at Detroit's Metro airport. Federal investigators said today there's NO doubt the pilot of a D-C-9 somehow became disoriented and ended up on the runway where a Boeing 727 was preparing to take off. The 727 tore into the side of the D-C-9, ripping off an engine and touching off a fatal fire. Eight people died and 21 were injured, all on the D-C-9.

In another development, a survivor of the fiery crash today filed the first lawsuit against Northwest Airlines. Milio Rinna, a United Steelworkers District 29 health and safety official, suffered burns and injuries to his hands, head and knee. Rinna was one of the last persons to leave the burning D-C-9. He was helping other passengers until the flames drove him out of the

rear exit. Then he jumped to the ground, where he helped extinguish the flames engulfing another passenger and took the impact of a flight attendant who jumped from a wing of the fiery plane.

Frustrated astronauts aboard the shuttle Columbia are making a bit of progress in their star-gazing mission, but they continue to lose time wrestling with a balky automatic telescope pointing system. The crew is manually operating a shuttle observatory while trying to fix the problem once and for all. The astronauts successfully gathered data on only 21 targets ranging from the remnants of exploded stars to energetic galaxies in a 28-hour period. The pre-launch flight plan called for some 75 observations during the same period.

An important victory today for anti-smoking forces. A government advisory board endorsed key sections of a draft report linking ''second- hand'' cigarette smoke and cancer in non-smokers. The Enviromental Protection Agency's Scientific Advisory Board gave its informal support to a preliminary E-P-A report. The draft report estimates that 38- hundred non-smoking Americans die each year from lung cancer caused by exposure to smoke from other people's cigarettes.

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WARSAW, POLAND (DEC. 5) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said Wednesday that talks with the Polish leadership reaffirms his view that the United States ''cannot wait indefinitely'' for Iraq to voluntarily withdraw from Kuwait and release foreign hostages.

Cheney met with outgoing Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, Defense Minister Piotr Kolodziejczyk and other government and parliamentary leaders on Tuesday, and scheduled meetings Wednesday with President Wojciech Jaruzelski and in Gdansk with Solidarity founder Lech Walesa. He planned to fly to Brussels later in the day for a NATO meeting.

''My visit and the conversations I had with Polish officials yesterday reaffirm in my mind the notion that we cannot wait indefinitely for Saddam Hussein to come into compliance with the U.N. resolutions,'' Cheney said.

The resolutions call for Iraq's immediate withdrawal from Kuwait, which it invaded last August, and the release of all foreign hostages. On Nov. 29 the U.N. Security Council's foreign ministers approved a resolution authorizing possible military force to oust Iraq from Kuwait if it does not withdraw by Jan. 15.

Asked how long the United States would wait for international economic sanctions to work, the defense secretary said, ''I would not want to put a deadline on it. That question is basically one the president (Bush) will decide.''

But Cheney noted that Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz has been invited to Washington next week for talks with Bush, and there are plans for Secretary of State James Baker to go to Baghdad to establish ''a clear channel of communication'' between the United States and Iraq on the matter.

He said the focus during the next few weeks will be on the U.N. resolutions, but at the same time the additional buildup of U.S. troops in the Gulf is necessary to press the matter.

Told that Poland already had lost $2 billion because of the economic boycott of Iraq, he acknowledged that Poland was a ''staunch supporter'' of the sanctions, as was Czechoslovakia.

''The solution to the problem, I think, is to try to resolve the crisis as quickly as possible,'' he said.

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DETROIT (DEC. 5) UPI - A survivor of the fiery crash between two Northwest Airlines planes on a foggy runway at Detroit Metropolitan Airport filed the first lawsuit Wednesday in the accident that killed eight passengers and injured dozens.

Milio Rinna, a United Steelworkers Union health and safety official, and one of the last persons to leave a DC-9 that had been struck by a 727 on Monday, helped other passengers until the flames drove him out of the rear exit.

Then he jumped to the ground, where he helped extinguish the flames engulfing another passenger and took the impact of a flight attendant who jumped from a wing of the burning plane, his lawyer said.

Rinna was bound for a union meeting in Pittsburgh on Northwest flight 1482 when it was hit by another Northwest plane taking off on the same runway. He suffered burns, as well as injuries to his hands, head and knee.

The lawsuit was filed in Wayne County Circuit Court in Detroit.

''Mr. Rinna is one of the heroes of this tragedy,'' said attorney William L. Martens. ''He showed genuine courage in the face of a terrifying situation.

''Because he represents thousands of workers facing health and safety hazards, he recognizes that the legal system is a key element in getting to the truth and helping people who are hurt by the negligence of others.''

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(DEC. 5) UPI - Reports from London say that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will propose a deal to Secretary of State Baker when they meet later this month. Saddam reportedly will offer to withdraw his troops from Kuwait if he can keep a Kuwaiti oilfield.

In Uruquay yesterday, President Bush indicated that there will be NO negotiated settlement in the Persian Gulf crisis if it does NOT stick to U-N resolutions demanding the UNconditional withdrawl of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

One of the first tasks of officials investigating Monday's deadly collision between two Northwest Airlines jets at Detroit Metropolitan Airport was to recover the planes' recording devices. At least eight people died in the accident.

The Panamanian government has expelled two Cuban diplomats and gave them five days to leave the country. The Panamanian government said the diplomats were expelled because a man holed up in the Cuban embassy plotted recently with Manuel Noriega to destabilize the government.

Police in Hyattsville, Maryland, say the younger brother of the late University of Maryland basketball star Len Bias was shot and killed last night after an argument at a jewelry store. James Bias died of two gunshot wounds in the lower back.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - A bank regulator singled out Sens. Dennis DeConcini and Alan Cranston Wednesday for improper actions to benefit accused S&L kingpin Charles Keating Jr., but faulted all of the Keating Five senators for protecting a Keating thrift labeled ''the worst institution in America.''

Meanwhile, the Senate ethics committee, with the backing of the Justice Department, voted to seek limited immunity for James Grogan, a former close Keating associate, to compel his testimony before the panel. Sen. Howell Heflin, D-Ala., the committee's chairman, said the panel ''has not and will not ''pursue such immunity for Keating to avoid compromising current criminal proceedings against him.

William Black, general counsel of the western regional office of the Office of Thrift Supervision and a former official of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, said ''political pressure'' by the five senators was ''critical'' in influencing the bank board to go easy on Keating's Lincoln Savings and Loan of Irvine, Calif., for nearly two years before the thrift failed in April 1989.

Black's testimony came during the 12th day of hearings before the ethics committee, which is seeking to determine whether Sens. Cranston, D-Calif.,

DeConcini, D-Ariz., John Glenn, D-Ohio, John McCain, R-Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich., exerted improper pressure on bank regulators on behalf of Keating.

Keating, who has been indicted on state securities and fraud charges charges in California and is the target of an ongoing federal grand jury probe, contributed $1.3 million to the senators' political campaings and causes.

Black was one of four bank regulators who met with all of the Keating Five senators on April 9, 1987, one week after four of the senators had met with bank board chairman Edwin Gray. Black testified that Keating orchestrated the meetings to shake up regulators examining the operations of Lincoln.

''I felt (the meeting) was intimidating and I felt that Charles Keating had clearly set up the meeting to be intimidating,'' Black told the committee.

''This (Lincoln) was an institution that was probably the worst institution in America and instead of trying to help bring it under control, five U.S. senators were pushing us in the opposite direction,'' Black added.

He said the senators ''were coming after us'' and that the regulators were ''under attack'' until telling the lawmakers that criminal charges against Lincoln and Keating were being sought. Black said the regulators were wary of telling the senators about the Justice Department involvement because ''it would be too big a danger'' the lawmakers would tip off Keating.

Black, whose elaborate notes from the April 9 meeting have been important to the investigation of the Keating Five, singled out DeConcini and Cranston.

Black faulted DeConcini for offering a deal on Keating's behalf during the April 9 meeting under which the regulators would grant Lincoln a shield from a federal regulation limiting risky direct investments by thrifts - a regulation Keating had fought in vain for years - in exchange for Lincoln making more home loans.

Examiners, who less than a month later would recommend that Lincoln be seized by the government for unsafe and unsound practices, had already uncovered ''a massive violation'' of the direct investment rule by Lincoln and said DeConcini's offer would have directed the regulators ''not to take any further action and to allow that violation to continue for some unspecified time period.''

Black also said when DeConcini made the offer he used the word ''we'' - implying consent of the others present - and that ''no senator who was present said, 'No, no, you're speaking for yourself.'''

Black also criticized Cranston for actions taken by a Cranston aide 13 months later. Black said the aide's intervention to to bank board decisions ''that

allowed Lincoln to significantly expand its junk bonds, its direct investments and this led to greatly increased loss for the insurance fund (Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corp.) and now the taxpayers.''

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#90339u0499 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

AVON, Mass. (DEC. 5) UPI - Child World Inc.'s stock fell to another 52-week low Wednesday as investors responded to the company's acknowledged danger of bankruptcy and the risk of a profit-killing Christmas season price war.

Child World, a distant No. 2 among toy chains behind Toys R Us Inc., said on Tuesday it would stop paying its old bills for six weeks so it could pay cash for new supplies of toys.

In what could have ominous results for profits at other retailers with big toy departments such as K mart Corp. and Wal-Mart Stores Inc., Child World said it intended to continue to advertise and discount aggressively.

The company's stock fell to $3.125 a share in over-the-counter trading Wednesday, down 12.5 cents a share from the day before's close, which also had been a new low for the year.

The company may be forced to seek Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection from its creditors, acknowledged Jeffrey Cole, chairman of CNC Holding Inc., which owns 82 percent of the chain.

However, Cole said the decision to stop paying its bills was part of an effort he believed could avert such a filing.

The company said it would impose a moratorium on paying bills dating from Tuesday or earlier but would pay cash for any shipments of new inventory.

The plight of the 182-store Child World chain is just the latest indication of the hostile climate faced by many retailers as consumers tighten belts in the face of growing recession fears.

Cole said sales at Child World stores were off in November from a year earlier and he blamed a trend in the industry.

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#90339u0535 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

CINCINNATI (DEC. 5) UPI - Eagle-Picher Industries Inc. said Wednesday that it has submitted to a federal judge an agreement on settling all asbestos-related personal-injury claims reached with two attorneys representing claimants in class-action litigation against the company.

But the company warned that ''liquidity will continue to be a serious concern for the next several months.''

Eagle-Picher said it signed a memorandum of understanding covering a proposed settlement with the two attorneys, appointed by U.S. District Court Judge Jack B. Weinstein in New York, to represent present and future asbestos personal-injury claimants.

Discussions with the other two attorneys appointed in the class action are continuing, the company said.

The settlement, which would cover all asbestos-related personal injury claims against Eagle-Picher, has been submitted to the court as part of a report prepared by the company's attorneys on the state of negotiations on a settlement.

According to Eagle-Picher, the agreement is contingent on a final certification of a mandatory nationwide class consisting of all present and future asbestos personal-injury claimants, pending approval of the settlement by the court and by the company's shareholders, and on the execution of a definitive agreement.

A court hearing on the proposed class certification is scheduled to begin Friday.

If the class action is certified and other conditions are satisfied, the effective date of the proposed settlement would be Nov. 30, 1993. If any appeals were then pending, the effective date would be on the termination of all appeals.

Prior to the effective date, the company would make full payment under its presently existing settlement commitments, at a total estimated cost to the company of approximately $45 million. A majority of these payments are presently scheduled to be made over the next 18 months.

Beginning on the effective date, the company's annual cash flow would be allocated so that fixed payments would be made to a trust for the benefit of claimants independent of the company.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 305.45, low 302.43, close 305.41, up 2.77.

There was a gain of 9 cents in the average share price.

Volume 12,900,000 shares, compared with 13, 130,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	8
New Lows	29
Advances	352
Declines	223
Unchanged	239
Total Issues	814

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CORVALLIS, Ore. (DEC. 5) UPI - Jerry Pettibone, the head coach at Northern Illinois the last six years, Wednesday was named football coach at Oregon State.

Athletic Director Dutch Baughman appointed Pettibone to take over the Oregon State program, which was 1-10 this year and has not produced a winning season since 1970.

Pettibone, 51, will replace Dave Kragthorpe, who resigned last month after compiling a 17-48-2 record in six seasons as the Beavers' head coach.

Pettibone has compiled a 33-32-1 record during six seasons at Northern Illinois, including a 9-2 mark in 1989. Before taking over the program at Northern Illinois, he was an assistant coach at Oklahoma, Nebraska, Texas A&M and Southern Methodist.

''Jerry has tremendous credentials,'' Baughman said. ''He is an outstanding coach. I've been extremely impressed with his coaching ability, his leadership and his motivation.''

In 1984, when he was at Texas A&M, Pettibone was named as the country's best football recruiter by Sports Illustrated magazine.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque f	47	18	....
Anchorage sn	05	-06	....
Asheville sy	58	23	....
Atlanta sy	53	30	....
Baltimore pc	64	31	.08

Billings pc	58	32	....
Birmingham sy	37	23	....
Bismarck w	31	19	....
Boston pc	61	33	.96
Brownsville mc	62	40	....
Buffalo pc	47	23	.20
Burlington Vt. sn	42	27	.31
Charleston S.C. sy	69	37	....
Charlotte sy	64	27	....
Chicago pc	27	15	....
Cincinnati pc	34	18	.01
Cleveland mc	41	26	.04
Columbus Ohi mc	39	27	....
Dallas sy	55	30	....
Denver pc	66	34	....
Des Moines pc	26	20	....
Detroit mc	35	26	....
Duluth pc	20	12	....
El Paso f	55	22	....
Evansville sy	39	22	....
Fargo pc	29	25	....
Hartford pc	59	31	1.07
Honolulu sy	84	72	....
Houston sy	57	29	....
Indianapolis sy	31	14	.06
Jackson Miss. sy	50	27	....
Jacksonville sy	66	29	....
Kansas City sy	40	34	....
Las Vegas pc	60	36	....
Little Rock sy	47	33	....
Los Angeles f	79	55	....
Louisville sy	38	23	.01
Memphis sy	44	30	....
Miami Beach pc	77	67	....
Milwaukee pc	26	12	....
Minneapolis pc	24	18	....
Nashville sy	42	23	....
New Orleans sy	55	41	....
New York pc	60	33	.07
Oklahoma Cty sy	54	37	....
Omaha pc	31	24	....
Orlando f	78	42	....
Philadelphia pc	62	32	.16
Phoenix f	73	45	....
Pittsburgh sn	50	24	.02
Portland Me. mc	54	30	2.34
Portland Ore. mc	55	39	.27
Providence pc	61	31	1.62

Richmond sy	67	32	.11
St. Louis sy	38	27	....
Salt Lake Cty mc	42	29	....
San Antonio sy	57	26	....
San Diego f	73	49	....
San Francisco pc	57	45	....
San Juan pc	83	70	.07
Seattle mc	52	40	.74
Spokane sy	46	31	....
Tampa f	76	42	....
Washington pc	65	32	.13
Wichita f	51	30	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Five young Marine reservists who said they filed for conscientious objector status, then went AWOL when their unit was activated for duty in the Persian Gulf, announced Wednesday they were surrendering.

''They submitted themselves to military control,'' said their lawyer, Steve Somerstein, of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War. ''They were not placed in custody and remained at liberty although on active duty.

''Their unit has been sent to Camp Lejeune, N.C., and they have been temporarily assigned to what they call the Inspector-Instructor staff here,'' Somerstein said.

He said the five were to report to Fort Schuyler, in the Bronx, at 7:30 a.m. each day and then return to their homes in the evenings while their situation

was being reviewed by the military.

The four, members of the 2nd Battalion, 25th Marines, 4th Division, said their lawyers were promised by the military their status would be ''negotiated.''

The fifth reservist, who Somerstein said wanted to ''remain annonymous at the present time,'' also planned to turn himself in to the Bronx base.

Maung ''Sam'' Lwin, 21, of the New School for Social Research and an orphan who left Rangoon, Burma, 12-years ago, served as spokesman at a news conference at Riverside Church.

''By standing firm to our beliefs ... we are fighting for peace and social justice,'' Lwin said, denying accusations of being unpatriotic to the United States or ''cowardly.''

Lwin also explained that when he joined the reserves he had not given much thought to war.

''Two years down the line, after boot camp, seeing war movies, reading books ... killing doesn't make sense,'' Lwin said.

Students, some with neon pink, green and yellow hair, held orange, black and white banners, with green handprints that read, ''Hands off Sam,'' attended the announcement in the South Hall of the church.

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (DEC. 5) UPI - World trade talks involving 107 nations were ''very near the end of the road'' Wednesday over an impasse on agriculture subsidies, U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills said.

Hills' statement was her most pessimistic since the final week of talks began Monday under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Four years of GATT talks were threatened with collapse over a dispute between the United States and the 12-nation European Community over the EC's huge farm supports.

''We're very near the end of the road, I'm afraid,'' a grim-faced Hills said as she left the main conference site at lunchtime with Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter.

The EC, despite pressure from U.S. officials and other farm exporting nations, has been unwilling to increase its offer to cut agriculture subsidies by 30 percent.

The United States seeks cuts of 75 percent, including a 90 percent reduction in market-distorting export subsidies.

''We're rapidly nearing the time where even if the Community made a move, there's little time to put it all together into a final package,'' Yeutter said.

The talks are due to end Friday.

Further top-level negotiations are ''meaningless unless the European Community has something to say,'' Yeutter said.

GATT negotiations over services, investment and other key areas have been stalled pending resolution of the agriculture stalemate. A special meeting of EC trade and agriculture ministers was called for Wednesday night, but officials predicted no startling new concessions.

''The Community position is one of globality, not to isolate any one area'' such as agriculture, an EC spokesman said.

U.S. officials say agriculture is necessarily the key to GATT success because otherwise developing countries will not agree to new trade rules in other areas.

Asked if she expected any movement from the special EC meeting, Hills answered coldly, ''I am not an expert on their best means of deliberation.''

British Trade Minister Peter Lilley said he hoped that a meeting in Paris on Wednesday between French President Francois Mitterrand and German Chancellor Helmut Kohl might give EC negotiators more ''elbow room'' at the GATT talks.

France and Germany, which have powerful farm lobbies, have resisted deeper EC subsidy cuts. Britain and the Netherlands have urged more flexibility.

GATT, established in 1947, now covers only merchandise trade.

The current round of GATT talks, known as the Uruguay Round, seeks to expand GATT rules to other areas. The round began at a Uruguayan resort in 1986.

Traveling on Tuesday in Uruguay, President Bush said the nations represented in Brussels ''must use this meeting to find the political will to limit or reduce distortions to free trade.''

EC Agriculture Commissioner Ray MacSharry circulated documents Tuesday saying a 30 percent cut in EC internal supports would in fact create ''significant reduction in export refunds by 1995,'' including a 40 percent reduction for wheat subsidies as EC and world prices converged.

He said EC and U.S. spending on export assistance for wheat were comparable in recent years and insisted that the EC also is providing adequate market access. For 1987-1989, he said, butter imports into the EC made up 4.4 percent of domestic use, compared to 0.2 percent for butter imports into the United States.

The new EC analysis failed to win converts.

''It seems rather late in the day for methodology,'' said Australian Trade Minister Neal Blewett, who called for ''explicit'' EC commitments rather than mathematical ''mumbo-jumbo.''

Even if the EC math on farm supports is correct, Yeutter said, it only reflects the amount of money spent on export refunds, not the effect on world markets created by EC farm surpluses.

''The problem we have with EC export subsidies, and everyone else has, is with the quantity of product put on the world market,'' Yeutter said.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - Radio transcripts from the deadly runway crash of two Northwest Airlines jets in Detroit Monday indicate that one pilot was lost in fog. A transcript of the radio communication between the tower and the D-C-9 showed that air traffic controllers in the tower could not see the jet, and the pilot was UNsure of his location. A jet taking off struck the D- C-9, killing at least eight people.

Astronomers aboard the space shuttle Columbia made up lost time today, swinging their telescopes from one target to another after coaxing a troublesome instrument-aiming system into operation. The research schedule is running more than a full day behind schedule because of problems activating the shuttle observatory. Columbia's crew spent this morning gathering data about a variety of astronomical objects.

The Navy has taken action against three admirals for NOT adequately warning senior Pentagon officials of cost overruns in the A-12 Avenger aircraft program. One admiral was retired, another was censured and transfered, and a third was disciplined. The nearly five-BILLION dollar development program is now forecast to cost around six BILLION dollars.

Bulgaria's Grand National Assembly voted late last night to order the interior ministry to turn over all its files on members of parliament to a special parliamentary committee within one week. Opposition sources said this week as many as one-fourth of Bulgaria's members of parliament, including leading dissidents under the former Communist regime, could have been secret police informers or agents.

Jurors in the Central Park jogger trial struggled to reach a verdict in their fifth day of deliberation yesterday. They requested that the judge help them to set aside what they called ''emotion and prejudice.'' The jury adjourned late last night in the longest day of deliberations so far. Deliberations are scheduled to resume this morning .

Police in New York say they freed a woman who had been kidnapped and robbed when they pulled over a car, frisked one of two suspects, and found that he had a pipe bomb wired to his body. Police say the woman was kidnapped last night as she was about to get into her car in Queens. Police say the man with the pipe bomb also had a hand grenade in his pocket.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - Modern thieves can steal more with a computer than with a gun, and America's ''luck'' in avoiding a major computer disaster way soon run out unless security is tightened, an expert panel warned Wednesday.

A National Research Council committee concluded the United States has grown to rely on computers for everything from banking to health care without ensuring that such information is secure from accident or deliberate attack.

Furthermore, failures of computer system security, safety and reliablity appear to be increasing in number and severity, the panel said.

Among the examples cited were: the much-publicized 1988 incident in which a reproducing computer program, called a worm, snarled as many as 6,000 computer systems; a nearly successful attempt to use thousands of phony automatic teller machine cards with identification numbers pirated from a computer; and a bid to defraud the Pennsylvania Lottery of $15.2 million by using a data base of unclaimed ticket numbers to produce a fake winning ticket.

Poor quality control also can make computer systems untrustworthy, the panel said. It cited an error in computer software controlling a radiation therapy machine that resulted in at least three patient deaths, and the scrambling of patient records at one hospital by a rogue program, or virus, that was accidentally introduced into its computer system.

''To date, we have been remarkably lucky ... As far as we can tell, there has been no successful systematic attempt to subvert any of our critical computing systems. Unfortunately, there is reason to believe that our luck will soon run out,'' the 16-member panel said.

''The modern thief can steal more with a computer than with a gun. Tomorrow's terrorist may be able to do more damage with a keyboard than with a bomb.''

Finding that no existing public or private organization is ''positioned adequately to address the nation's needs'' in computer security, the experts called for creation of an Information Security Foundation funded by member subscriptions and fees for security evaluation and other services.

Neither of the two agencies traditionally assigned with overseeing technology - the National Institute of Standards and Technology and the National Security Agency - appears prepared to tackle such a task, the panel said in its 303-page report entitled ''Computers at Risk.''

In addition, ''the market does not work well enough to raise the security of computer systems at a rate fast enough to match the apparent growth in threats to systems,'' said the panel, headed by David Clark of Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge.

The experts noted that European nations have made unified strides towards computer security, and cautioned that if the United States failed to take similar action it will be increasingly difficult to sell American hardware and software on the global market.

The study was requested by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency. The National Research Council is the research arm of the National Academy of Sciences, which was chartered by Congress to examine questions of science and technology.

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CONCORD, NH (DEC. 5) UPI - Lame-duck U.S. Sen. Gordon Humphrey, R-N.H., resigned from the Senate Tuesday so that he could take his seat in the state Senate in time to vote in leadership elections.

Humphrey did not seek re-election after two terms, saying 12 years is all any member of Congress should serve. Instead, he sought and won a seat in the 24-member New Hampshire state Senate.

The state Constitution forbids anyone from holding both offices simultaneously.

In a written statement, Humphrey said he had sent letters of resignation to Gov. Judd Gregg and Vice President Dan Quayle, who is also president of the U.S. Senate.

''This is not how I wanted things to end, but under the circumstances I have no choice,'' Humphrey said.

Humphrey had said he would leave the U.S. Senate before the end of his term if his vote was needed to elect Sen. Edward Dupont, a conservative, as president of the state Senate. Dupont was locked in a battle with Senate Democrats and

liberal Republicans for the leadership post. Even with Humphrey's vote he remained one vote shy of the 13 needed for the presidency.

A spokesman for Gregg said U.S. Sen.-elect Bob Smith will be appointed to succeed Humphrey. Smith, a three-term Republican congressman from the state's 1st District, was to have taken the seat in January.

Gregg press secretary Brian Grip said Smith's congressional seat will remain vacant until it is assumed by U.S. Rep. Bill Zeliff. A special election is required to fill a congressional vacancy.

Humphrey is a maverick conservative who was best known in the Senate for his opposition to abortion and support for anti-Soviet guerrillas in Afghanistan.

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DETROIT (DEC. 5) UPI - Four men wearing ski masks robbed an armored truck at gunpoint on the city's west side, escaping with more than $500,000 in white canvas bags.

Police said the holdup occurred Tuesday morning as the truck made a money delivery to a branch of the National Bank of Detroit. No suspects were in custody.

FBI spokesman John Anthony said the holdup was ''an obviously professional job.''

The robbery took place after the truck, operated by Guardian Security of Highland Park, pulled in front of the bank to make a routine cash delivery from NBD's main office in downtown Detroit.

As the guard began to unload sacks of money from the truck, a blue van pulled up behind him and two others vans stopped in front of the truck, preventing it from moving.

A man wearing a ski mask and carrying a machine pistol jumped from the rear van and pushed the guard to the ground. A second man got out of the rear van and transferred the sacks to three vans.

After the money bags were transferred, the four holdup men sped away in the three vans, which were recovered 2 1/2 hours later. They had been reported as stolen.

The 26-year-old male guard was treated at a medical clinic for a bruised knee suffered when one of the holdup men forced him to the ground. The 25-year female truck driver was not injured.

Guardian is offering a $25,000 reward for arrests and recovery of the money.

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WARSAW, POLAND (DEC. 5) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney refused Wednesday to confirm reports that the United States has offered F-16 fighter aircraft to Poland in what would be the first such arms deal with a Warsaw Pact country.

Cheney, who stopped for a day in Poland en route to a NATO meeting in Brussels said the purpose of his visit, the first by a U.S. defense secretary to Poland, was to forge closer ties after the breakup fo the Warsaw Pact.

''I did not discuss specific hardware,'' Cheney before heading for Gdansk for a meeting with Solidarity founder and presidential candidate Lech Walesa.

As to weapons sales to Poland in general, he added, ''I certainly wouldn't write it off. It may well make sense at some time in the future.''

The independent daily newspaper Gazeta Wyborcza Wednesday quoted Defense Minister Piotr Koledziejczyk as saying the United States has offered to sell the F-16s to Poland in the first such deal with a member of the Warsaw Pact.

''Kolodziejczyk ... said Poland wanted to buy a dozen fighter- bombers, but no final decision had been made whether to purchase Soviet or American aircraft '' Gazeta said, adding that he expected a special U.S. delegation to arrive soon.

''He said he would prefer a U.S. F-16 to a (Soviet) MiG-29 if the market price was comparable, and added Poland would also be interested in purchasing other arms,'' the newspaper said.

Poland is looking at the F-16s or the French Mirage 2000 fighters because of the high prices asked by the Soviet Union for its military equipment and the cool reception accorded a Polish negotiating team in Moscow recently.

Soviet negotiators requested payment in U.S. dollars, initially offering the MiG-29s at $24 million apiece and later lowering the price to $18 million.

Cheney, in Europe for a NATO meeting in Brussels, flew from Warsaw to Gdansk for a meeting with Walesa, who urged the United States to create a new ''Marshall Plan'' for Poland similar to its European recovery operation after World War II.

''Something like the Marshall Plan should be started,'' he said, adding that Poland's bold economic stabilization plan is in jeopardy and needs more help from the West.

Walesa noted that with the onset of winter, Poland expects thousands of Soviet citizens to be driven over the border by the worsening food crisis there, and part of Poland's defense budget must be used to help them.

During his Warsaw briefing, Cheney said the Brussels meeting will focus on NATO strategy in terms of the new political realities in Europe. ''We think the foundation of European security arrangements should continue to be NATO,'' he said. ''How things develop beyond that, it's difficult to predict.''

He said not only Poland but other Warsaw Pact countries have expressed the view that it is necessary to retain NATO.

Cheney said the current goal of European nations is peace and stability. ''We want to contribute to that as much as we can, keeping in mind of course that the lead must be taken by the European nations themselves,'' he said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Dec. 4: Purchases of 404, 802 shares and sales of 773,015 shares including 84,828 shares sold short.

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#90339u0683 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

N'DJAMENA, CHAD (DEC. 5) UPI - A Libyan delegation has been in Chad since Tuesday to meet with the new government of Idriss Deby, the Libyan Embassy in N'Djamena confirmed Wednesday.

The embassy, which refused to disclose the purpose of the visit, said only that the Libyans arrived shortly after Tripoli on Monday evacuated some 450 of its prisoners captured by the ousted government of Hissen Habre.

The new Chadian government also would not comment on the purpose of the delegation's visit or say whether it would meet with Deby himself.

Deby proclaimed himself president of the poor West African nation Tuesday night, three days after triumphantly entering the capital of N'Djamena and just three weeks after crossing into eastern Chad from neighboring Sudan.

A close adviser to the new president, Papi Barzar, said that ''Chad would continue to have close and good relations with its neighbors'' and that he believed Libya will ''respect Chad's territorial integrity.''

Confirmation that a Libyan delegation was in the Chadian capital was seen by Western diplomats as further proof that the new government is doing everything

it can to establish good relations with its troublesome northern neighbor.

The Libyan prisoners released by Deby were captured during a war between the two countries for control of the mineral-rich Aouzou Strip in northern Chad. In 1983 and again in 1986 France sent troops to Chad to halt a Libyan invasion of its southern neighbor. Chad was once a colony of France.

Although French Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement said Tuesday that 40 percent of the equipment used by Deby's forces to overthrow the Habre regime came from Tripoli, Western diplomats in N'Djamena believe the new leader is a strong nationalist who is likely to stand up to Libyan leader Col. Moammar Gadhafi.

Washington has refused to recognize the new government on grounds it is backed by Tripoli.

Meanwhile, three mutilated corpses believed to be those of Libyans captured by the Habre government were found Wednesday, witnesses said. One doctor said the three had been murdered and thrown into the Logone River on the west side of the Chadian capital just before the Habre government was overthrown Saturday.

The doctor said he believed the three bodies were those of Libyans because their skin was lighter than that of Chadians, but he added that their racial features were difficult to determine because the faces had been badly mutilated.

Each victim's hands and feet had been bound tightly, and all apparently had died of knife wounds, according to the doctor who works at N'Djamena's Central Hospital where the bopdies were being kept.

Anti-foreign feelings flared in southern Chad after Habre's overthrow, diplomatic sources confirmed Wednesday, when former members of Habre's presidential security guard attacked the homes of foreign oil company employees Monday in the town of Sarh.

French military helicopters were sent to the town and foreign nationals were evacuated to neighboring Cameroon from where they were flown to the Netherlands, the diplomats said.

The town of Sahr, 310 miles south of the capital, was the scene of a massacre in 1986 by Habre forces against the intellectual elite of the area, most from Deby's Zaghawa Tribe.

Radio Cameroon reported Tuesday night that Habre has moved from the northern Cameroon town of Maroua to the capital Yaounde. Most of the ministers who left with the ex-president are still in Maroua and it appears unlikely they will be able to return to Chad in the near future.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 5) UPI - The Cleveland Indians late Tuesday dealt outfielder Cory Snyder and minor league infielder Lindsay Foster to the Chicago White Sox for pitchers Eric King and Shawn Hillegas.

Snyder, 28, batted .233 last season with the Indians, hitting 14 home runs and driving in 55 runs. White Sox Manager Jeff Torborg said Snyder is a devoted student of Chicago hitting coach Walt Hriniak.

''Cory went up to Walt's hitting school last winter, and it paid off, '' Torborg said. ''He hit a home run against us off (Greg) Hibbard.''

Snyder, a No. 1 pick by the Indians in 1984, was benched the final 26 games.

''I never wanted to leave Cleveland,'' Snyder said. ''But that last month was really hard on me. It became evident that I wasn't in their plans for next season so I've been preparing myself for this. Still, it's kind of a shock.

''But it's time for a new start. I know a lot of guys on the White Sox and I worked with Walt Hriniak last winter. Every year it seemed like more of my friends like Brett Butler and Joe Carter were getting traded from Cleveland. So I guess it was my turn this time.''

King was 12-4 with a 3.28 ERA, starting 25 games. In his second full season with the White Sox, the 26-year-old missed a portion of the season because of recurring shoulder stiffness.

''We've checkd out Eric King's shoulder and back extensively,'' said John Hart director of baseball operations for the Indians. ''His shoulder is structurally sound. He's bothered by a nerve problem from an automobile accident. But he's fine.''

The Indians traded Bud Black to Toronto late in the season and John Farrell will miss most of next season recovering from an arm problem, so the Indians needed starting pitching.

''When Black was traded and Farrell went down, we knew we had to get a starter '' Hart said. ''We determined that Cory could bring us that starter.''

Hillegas spent most of the 1990 season at Class AAA Vancouver, appearing in seven games in relief with the White Sox in September. He compiled a 1.74 ERA and 5-3 record in 36 appearances in the minors.

Foster, 23, split time between Class A affiliate Kinston and Class AA Canton-Akron, hitting .280 and .244, respectively.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 5) UPI - Results of a poll released Wednesday showed two out of three Israelis favor barring Palestinians from working in Israel, and 42 percent of those surveyed said their views toward Arabs had become more negative since the Palestinian uprising began nearly three years ago.

The survey, conducted by the Israeli-based Smith Research Center between Nov. 19 and Nov. 29, also showed that 45 percent of those Israelis interviewed said they had no change in attitude since the uprising began Dec. 9, 1987. Another 6 percent said their feelings toward Arabs had become more positive.

The research center interviewed 1,200 Israelis across the country, including West Bank settlers. The results of the poll were released Wednesday in advance of their publication in The Jerusalem Report, a weekly magazine published in Jerusalem.

Israelis surveyed were asked how they felt about the entry of Arab workers from the West Bank and Gaza Strip into Israel. A spate of stabbings of Israelis by Arabs has sparked a campaign by the ultra right-wing Kach Movement to replace Arab workers with Jewish laborers.

Of those responding to the survey, 38 percent said they would bar the Palestinians from entering Israel, 28 percent said they would gradually reduce the number and 27 percent said they would allow entrance ''except for hostile elements.''

Two percent said they would allow the Palestinians free entry while 5 percent registered no or other opinions.

The survey also asked the Israelis to choose among five possibilities as the ''best solution today to solve the Palestinian problem.'' Of those who selected one of the five, 25 percent said they favored the creation of a Palestinian state, 21 percent favored the transfer of some or all of the Arabs and 20 percent favored the return of the Gaza Strip only.

Nine percent said they would preserve the present situation and 6 percent favored the annexation of all or part of the West Bank. The results also showed that 19 percent said they had no opinion.

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TOKYO (DEC. 5) UPI - Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank, the world's largest commercial bank, Wednesday was reported planning to raise its short-term prime lending rate as it announced a set of measures to reform the short-term money market in line with the financial market liberalization.

The central bank will raise its short-term prime rate 0.25 percentage points to a 10-year-high of 8.25 percent, major Japanese dailies reported Tuesday.

The reports followed an announcement by the Bank of Japan that it will reform the short-term money market and ease restrictions on fund transactions between commercial banks in line with the liberalization of Japan's financial markets.

The central bank has been guiding short-term interest rates upward since September following its discount rate hike Aug. 30.

Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank refused to confirm the news reports.

''No decision has been made yet,'' a spokesman for the bank said. He declined further comment.

The short-term prime rate is an interest rate charged by commercial banks on loans of up to one year to the most creditworthy corporations.

The new rate will be the highest since March 1980, when the rate stood at 8.5 percent.

It will mark the first time the short-term interest rate will rise above the long-term rate, which now stands at 8.1 percent in the wake of two consecutive reductions in October and November this year.

Taizo Hashida, chairman of the Federation of Bankers Associations, told a news conference Tuesday that raising the short-term lending rate should be considered because of the uptrend in short-term interest rates.

''The (short-term interest) increase should be understandable, considering the current level of short-term interest rates,'' Hashida, who also is president of Fuji Bank.

Analysts said short-term prime rates have now begun to move independently from the Bank of Japan's official discount rate.

Previously, the rate revision was linked to movements of the official discount rate - the interest rate charged by the central bank on loans to commercial institutions.

The Bank of Japan raised the key interest rate by 0.75 percentage points to 6.0 percent last Aug. 30 in the fifth rate hike since early 1989 to check growing inflationary pressures amid rising commodity prices and the tight labor market caused by sustained economic expansion.

The analysts said the short-term rate hike was triggered by rising short-term interest rates on the money market amid uncertaines over the Gulf crisis. It

also is aimed at bringing lending rates in line with soaring fund-raising costs, spurred by strong demand for funds toward the year-end, they said.

The analysts said the reported short-term prime rate hike will deal a heavy blow to medium- and small-sized enterprises planning to raise operational funds.

The Bank of Japan has been guiding short-term interest rates on the money market upward since September following the previous discount rate hike. The central bank said contracted interest rates on loans and discounts rose an average 0.266 percentage points in October to 7.427 percent, the sharpest monthly rise since February last year.

The bank said contracted rates on short-term loans grew 0.293 percentage points to 7.687 percent while those on long-term loans jumped 0.0259 percentage points to 7.317 percent.

In a related development, the central bank said Tuesday it will institute a set of measures aimed at reforming the shot-term money market in line with the liberalization of the nation's financial markets.

The bank said the measures, which will be implemented starting next year, include a step designed to expand the scope of discount bills subject to the central bank's market rate operations. The move would involve adding bills with maturities of 1 to 3 months and allowing direct fund transactions between commercial banks.

The central bank now permits direct fund transactions only through short-term money brokers because od concern such deals would lead to overheated deposit-taking competition between banks.

The bank said the new measures will help improve its operational tools and the functioning of short-term interbank markets in preparation for developing the short-term government bill market.

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#90339u0726 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

LANDOVER, MD (DEC. 5) UPI - Malik Sealy scored 28 points, 18 in a second-half barrage, propelling No. 18 St. John's to a 73-72 overtime victory over No. 20 Georgia Tech in the first of two games Wednesday in the ACC- Big East Challenge.

Redman Jason Buchanan hit the first of two free throws with 3.7 seconds left in the extra period and the score tied, 72-72, to clinch the triumph.

The win by St. John's, 4-0, gave the Big East a 4-1 edge in the competition between the two East Coast conferences. No. 5 Duke of the Atlantic Coast

Conference met No. 6 Georgetown in the nightcap at the Capital Centre.

Matt Geiger and Malcolm Mackey led the Yellow Jackets, 2-2, with 16 points each. Jon Barry, son of NBA legend Rick Barry, scored 15 and Anderson had 14.

Robert Werdann backed Sealy with 15 points, and Buchanan finished with 14.

Trailing by 11, Tech put on a late rally, inspired by Anderson. Sealy sank one of two free throws with 6.5 seconds left, giving the Redmen a 60-58 lead.

Tech called a timeout at 2.9 seconds to set up for the last shot. Anderson drove the baseline and missed, but Geiger moved in for the rebound and roll the ball over the front lip of the rim with a buzzer basket that sent the game into overtime.

Sealy sank eight of 10 field goal attempts in the second half. The 6- foot-8 junior scored St. John's first 10 points, turning a 36-30 haltime lead for Tech into a 40-40 tie.

Werdann's bucket at 14:10 gave the Redmen a 42-41 lead. Sealy hit two more field goals to extend St. John's lead to 46-41. The Redmen stretched their lead to 54-43 with 8:22 left in the second half. Tech had only 7 points in the first 13 minutes of the half.

Sealy hit his first eight shots of the half. But his first miss seemed to ignite the Yellow Jackets. Anderson, who was shooting two of 15 from the floor at one point, hit a 3-pointer and a 2-pointer to trim the Redmen lead to 58-55 with 2:15 to go.

Georgia Tech led at half, 36-30, behind the shooting of Barry, who sank five of eight field goal attempts and including both of his 3-point ties for 12 points.

With time running out, Anderson's miss came out to Barry near the 3- point line above the key. Barry took one step in and one-handed a shot that hit the rim, soared high above the top of the backboard and fell in cleanly as the buzzer sounded.

The Challenge wraps up Thursday at Chapel Hill, N.C. Wake Forest of the ACC meets Villanova of the Big East in the opener and North Carolina of the ACC takes on Connecticut of the Big East in the nightcap.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Dec. 5:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberden cy	1pm	42	05
Amstrdm pc	1pm	44	07
Ankara r	3pm	mm	mm
Athens pc	2pm	51	10
Aucklnd cy	12m	58	14
Beijing sm	8pm	36	02
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin cy	1pm	38	03
Bonn c	1pm	42	05
Brussels pc	1pm	44	06
Cairo c	2pm	70	21
Casblnc cy	12n	70	21
Copenhgn c	1pm	37	02
Dakar c	12n	86	30
Dublin cy	1pm	45	07
Geneva pc	1pm	41	05
Helsinki cy	2pm	30	-01
Hong Kng c	8pm	65	18
Jerusalm cy	2pm	67	19
Karachi c	5pm	86	30
Lisbon cy	1pm	53	12
London c	1pm	45	07
Madrid c	1pm	47	08
Malta r	1pm	57	14
Manila pc	8pm	80	26
Moscow cy	3pm	36	02
Nairobi m	3pm	mm	mm
Nassau cy	7am	75	24
New Delhi c	6pm	66	19
Nice cy	1pm	57	14
Oslo pc	1pm	79	26
Paris c	1pm	44	06
Pretoria cy	2pm	72	22
Riyadh m	3pm	76	24
Rome pc	1pm	48	08
Seoul c	9pm	47	08
Sofia s	2pm	30	00
Stockholm c	1pm	32	00
Sydney cy	10pm	74	23
Taipei r	8pm	63	17
Tokyo hz	9pm	55	13
Tunis c	1pm	57	14
Vienna cy	1pm	36	02
Warsaw cy	1pm	34	01

Latin America

Buenos Airs c	9am	75	24
Caracas c	8am	67	19
Havana m	7am	mm	mm
Lima cy	7am	65	18
Mexic Cty hz	6am	51	10
Rio de Janr c	9am	79	26
Santiago c	8am	64	17

Canada

Calgary c		46	07
Edmonton c		45	07
Montreal cy		35	01
Ottawa s		34	01
Regina s		45	07
Toronto cy		39	03
Vancouver cy		49	09
Winnipeg c		27	02

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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BEIJING (DEC. 5) UPI - China could sharply improve its relations with the United States through a ''general amnesty'' of Tiananmen Spring dissidents facing trial for counterrevolution or sedition, Rep. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J. said Wednesday.

But Torricelli, a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said two days of meetings with communist officials left him highly doubtful that the political trials would be scuttled.

Torricelli also said Beijing had squandered a chance to lay claim leadership in the world community last week when it abstained from voting on a U.N. Security Council plan authorizing international military force to drive Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

''I think that China missed an important and dramatic opportunity to cast itself in the leadership of a new world order,'' Torricelli said. ''It has cast itself as a spectator instead of a leader.''

Torricelli chided China's leadership for holding to a view that Washington ''should be grateful'' that it did not veto the U.N. use-of- force resolution, which would have killed the plan.

He said he told the Chinese officials he met that the United States and Congress maintain great goodwill toward China and that relatively simple gestures could be used to improve relations.

He said a key gesture would be a ''general amnesty'' and freeing of dissidents facing trial for participating in the spring 1989 pro- democracy protests that were crushed by Chinese troops June 4.

''Any softening of the Chinese position would make an enormous difference in our bilateral concerns,'' he said.

If the dissidents were freed, Congress would promptly reconsider the punitive political sanctions imposed on China because of the crackdown, he said, as well as China's most-favored-nation trading status and ''the general tone of relations.''

A group of dissidents alleged to be core instigators of the 1989 demonstrations face trial in coming weeks on some of China's most serious political charges, including sedition, which can carry the death penalty.

''The fact that additional trials are planned and others are to be prosecuted gives very little reason to be hopeful,'' he added.

Torricelli faulted China's leaders for believing that the world's attention had been diverted by the Gulf crisis. ''That is a tragic mistake if that is their judgment,'' he said.

The congressman said every Chinese official he met, including Assistant Foreign Minister Liu Huaqiu, fretted openly about the social instability that has accompanied the erosion of communism in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, leaving them blind to the need for major ''national reconcilation'' in China.

''What they are doing (with political trials) does not serve stability at all '' Torricelli said. ''It only creates tensions in society and assures that someday there will be a day of reckoning.''

Torricelli also took several swipes at President Bush, saying the White House had badly botched a visit last week by Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen,

which Beijing interpreted as a major relaxation of the anti-Chinese sanctions.

Torricelli said Bush, who headed Washington's Beijing mission in the 1970s, should reconsider his view of himself as ''his own best adviser'' on Chinese affairs.

''It is fair to conclude that the president may need a new adviser,'' he said, saying Bush's visit with Qian left him looking ''silly.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $377.30, silver base of $4.18 and platinum price of $431.30:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$392.90	393.30
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	201.60	201.80
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	103.50	103.60
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.80	42.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	392.90	393.30
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	201.60	201.80
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	104.00	104.10
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.80	42.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	399.20	399.60
China Panda .50 troy oz.	205.70	205.90
China Panda .25 troy oz.	106.70	106.80
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.10	46.10
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.50	27.50
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	393.00	393.40
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	200.80	201.10
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	101.50	101.60
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.70	43.80
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	391.50	392.20
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	202.70	203.10
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	104.00	104.20
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.30	44.40
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	391.30	392.00
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	201.20	201.60
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	96.40	86.50
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.70	44.80
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.80	23.90
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.58	$5.56

90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,200	$3,210
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	447.00	446.00
Isle of Man Noble	444.00	443.00
Canada Maple Leaf	455.00	455.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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BUENOS AIRES (DEC. 5) UPI - President Bush arrived in Argentina Wednesday following a military rebellion that temporarily threatened to disrupt both the trip and the stability of America's newest Latin American ally.

Bush's host, 60-year-old President Carlos Menem, at midnight Tuesday lifted a state of siege that had been imposed Monday during an 18-hour military rebellion that left at least 13 persons dead.

There was little sign of the crisis in Buenos Aires Wednesday as Bush arrived by helicopter from neighboring Uruguay, welcomed by an honor guard of the Patricios Regiment, clothed in blue 19th century uniforms.

A fleet of six military helicopters escorted the president's chopper, which was marked with an American flag.

A handful of blue-uniformed policemen were posted around the Casa Rosada, Argentina's downtown presidential palace.

Blue and white banners on the plaza in front of the palace said ''Welcome Bush'' in both Spanish and English, and small American and Argentine flags were posted on walls of the driveway to the palace.

Bush Tuesday shrugged off the Argentine revolt as ''military vs. military controversy,'' but Menem, who has been in office only 17 months, labeled the revolt an ''attempted coup d'etat'' aimed at destroying the nation's 7-year-old democracy.

Police reported that two branches of the Chase Manhattan bank, one in the northern neighborhood of Belgrano and the other in the adjacent neighborhood of Caballito, were damaged by bombs.

In another incident, pranksters changed the signs of Buenos Aires street named ''Estados Unidos'' - Spanish for United States - to ''America Latina'' (Latin America). The protesters are believed to be dissident members of the ruling Peronist Party.

Menem, Bush's newest ally in Latin America, has warmly endorsed Bush's plan for a Latin American free trade zone and took the initiative in re-establishing diplomatic relations earlier this year with Britain, which severed ties with Argentina during the 1982 Falkland Island War over a territorial dispute.

During his stop in Montevideo, Uruguay, Bush urged support of his proposal for an economic trading zone in the Americas.

''The ultimate aim is free trade for all the Americas,'' Bush said.

Bush also pressed for ''successful completion'' of the current round of world trade talks in Brussels, Belgium, which are said to be on the verge of collapse because of divisions over agriculture subsidies.

And Bush acknowledged the stiff economic consequences suffered by the Third World because of the Persian Gulf crisis and vowed the political and military standoff ''is not going to go on forever.''

''The economic burdens on these small countries and on the U.S. are heavy,'' said Bush at a Montevideo news conference during which he referred to rising oil prices triggered by unrest in the Middle East.

Menem is the only Latin American president to have dispatched warships to help enforce the U.N. sanctions against Iraq, and he did this despite majority opposition in Argentina's Congress.

Bush told reporters in Uruguay Tuesday he is ''not in a negotiating mood'' and hopes Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''gets the message'' about last week's U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force to liberate Kuwait if Iraqi troops are not out by Jan. 15.

In all, the U.N. Security Council has passed 12 resolutions that condemn the invasion, demand the withdrawl of troops and impose a range of global economic sanctions against Iraq.

In a surprising move last Friday - the day after the resolution authorizing force was adopted - Bush offered to send Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad for talks with Saddam and invited Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Washington. The invitation to Iraq was accepted and a meeting with Aziz is expected early next week.

The White House has insisted the talks are strictly a last-chance effort to avoid war by making sure Saddam understands U.S. determination to end Iraq's occupation of Kuwait and restore the legitimate government of the oil-rich emirate.

Bush said that when he meets with Aziz, ''I want to make clear to him the best thing is to go through with the U.N. resolutions.''

''I am convinced that Saddam Hussein has not gotten the message,'' Bush told reporters. ''I don't think Saddam Hussein understands'' the impact of the U.N. resolutions. ''I hope he gets the message.''

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CHICAGO (DEC. 5) UPI - San Francisco and Minnesota completed a three-player deal early Wednesday, with right-handed pitcher Steve Bedrosian going to the Twins for right-hander Johnny Ard and a player to be named later.

Bedrosian became expendable following the Giants' free agent signing Tuesday of left-handed reliever Dave Righetti.

Bedrosian, who will turn 33 Thursday, was 9-9 with 17 saves and a 4. 20 ERA in 68 appearances for the Giants in 1990. In nine major league seasons with Atlanta, Philadelphia and San Francisco, Bedrosian is 65-70 with a 3.22 ERA and 178 saves. He won the National League Cy Young award in 1987 after posting a career high 40 saves with Philadelphia.

Ard, 23, was 12-9 with a 3.79 ERA and four complete games for the Twins' Class AA Orlando team. In 1989, he was chosen by Baseball America as the No. 8 prospect in the California League after going 13-7.

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#90339u0792 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA (DEC. 5) UPI - The Philippine government Wednesday pressed its demand for sovereign control of U.S. bases in the island nation by asserting the right to try Americans accused of crimes, according to officials representing both nations.

A broad range of issues discussed at technical level talks since last week was taken up in the third round of negotiations by panels headed by Philippine Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus and special U.S. negotiator Richard Armitage.

The subjects at Wednesday's session included criminal jurisdiction, taxation, customs, entry and departure, quarantine, banking and currency, postal services and commercial concerns, government spokesman Rafael Alunan said.

Alunan stressed that among other disagreements, there was discord over the issue of the Philippines asserting the right to try American servicemen accused of crimes.

''The absence of criminal jurisdiction will result in the dilution of our sovereignty as a nation,'' said Alunan, referring to an emotional issue dominating the anti-bases rhetoric.

''The Philippines has disagreed with the U.S. position of retaining and in some cases improving upon the existing arrangements,'' Alunan said. ''The Philippines is breaking new ground in order to move away from a colonial past.''

U.S. spokesmen Stanley Schrager countered, ''As we suggested, we're talking about American sovereignty as well and our responsibility to American citizens no matter where they are around the world.

''Sometimes this can create a conflict, but I don't think it necessarily has to. I think the acceptable agreements with the many, many countries around the world will suggest that this is not an insurmountable problem,'' Schrager said.

The Philippines has six U.S. military installations manned by about 40,000 troops, Defense Department employees and dependents under a 1947 treaty expiring Sept. 16, 1991. The facilities include Clark Air Base and the Subic Bay Naval Complex, the largest and oldest U.S. military base on foreign soil.

Washington gives Manila $481 million in aid each year in exchange for U.S. use of the facilities.

Armitage has indicated that Washington wants a 10- to 12-year extension of the leases and the retention of a limited presence after that period.

The Philippines has said it will take ''sovereign control'' of Clark and four smaller facilities at the expiration of the pact, while allowing the United States operational control of some facilities. It said it would agree to a 5- to 7-year extension of the Subic Bay lease.

The current talks were expected to conclude either Thursday or Friday. Both sides hope an agreement would be worked out by January.

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#90339u0795 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - Factory orders rose 2.8 percent in October, the largest increase in eight months, the Commerce Department reported Wednesday.

The increase, which was greater than many economists expected, was the largest since a 4 percent gain in March, the government said.

New orders for manufactured goods increased $6.8 billion in October to $250.7 billion. Durable goods orders gained 3.9 percent, with most of the increase in transportation equipment.

Orders for non-durable goods rose 1.6 percent with most of the gain coming from petroleum refining.

Shipments of manufactured goods increased 1.7 percent - or $4.2 billion - in October to $247.5 billion. Shipments for durable goods rose 1.8 percent, with transportation equipment shipments accounting for most of the gain.

Non-durable goods shipments rose 1.6 percent, mostly from increased petroleum refining.

Unfilled orders were up 0.6 percent, or $3.2 billion, to $522.5 billion. Excluding aircraft and parts orders, there was a 0.5 percent decline in October.

Manufacturers' inventories increased by 0.1 percent, or $300 million, to $377.3 billion. Although small, the increase marked the fourth consecutive increase, the government said.

The ratio of inventories to shipments was 1.52, down from 1.55 in September.

New orders for durable goods increased by 3.9 percent, or $4.8 billion, to $129.8 billion, revised upward from the previously reported 3.6 percent gain.

Much of this gain came from a 14.8 percent, or $4.9 billion, rise in orders from the aircraft and motor vehicle industries.

Orders for fabricated metals posted the greatest decline, slipping 6. 8 percent, or $1 billion.

Increases in orders for non-durable goods were widespread in October, with gains posted in the petroleum refining, chemical, tobacco and food industries.

Durable goods shipments rose 1.8 percent, or $2.2 billion, to $126.6 billion, mostly from increased shipments of motor vehicles and parts. Non-durable goods shipments rose by $5 billion during the month.

Inventories at manufacturers of durable goods, those items intended to lsat three or more years, slipped 0.1 percent to $246.7 billion, while inventories for makers of non-durable goods increased 0.4 percent to $500 million.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 5) UPI - The Cincinnati Reds early Wednesday agreed to terms with free agent second baseman Bill Doran, who signed a $6.6 million, 3- year contract.

The decision will probably end the Reds' bid for free agent pitcher Zane Smith who is being wooed by the Chicago Cubs and White Sox and the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Doran's contract runs through the 1993 season with a 1-year option for 1994. If the infielder plays at least 140 games in '93, the contract will automatically be extended.

Doran, 32, played the final month of the '90 season with Cincinnati following his acquisition from Houston on Aug. 31 for catcher Terry McGriff and pitchers Butch Henry and Keith Kaiser.

The switch-hitting Doran batted .373 in 17 games for the Reds, finishing the season with a career high .300 average. He was National League Player of the Week for Sept. 10-16 when he hit .588 with a .941 slugging percentage and .667 on-base percentage. However, he was unable to participate in post-season play because of back surgery Oct. 3 for an infected disc.

A native of Cincinnati, Doran hit .288 with Houston before the trade. He had a combined seven home runs and 37 RBI in 1990 with 58 stolen bases.

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Orders for non-durable goods rose 1.6 percent with most of the gain coming from petroleum refining.

Shipments of manufactured goods increased 1.7 percent - or $4.2 billion - in October to $247.5 billion. Shipments for durable goods rose 1.8 percent, with transportation equipment shipments accounting for most of the gain.

Non-durable goods shipments rose 1.6 percent, mostly from increased petroleum refining.

Unfilled orders were up 0.6 percent - or $3.2 billion - to $522.5 billion. Excluding aircraft and parts orders, there was a 0.5 percent decline in October.

Manufacturers' inventories increased by 0.1 percent - or $300 million - to $377.3 billion. Although small, the rise marked the fourth consecutive increase, the government said.

The ratio of inventories to shipments was 1.52, down from 1.55 in September.

New orders for durable goods increased 3.9 percent - or $4.8 billion - to $129.8 billion, revised upward from the previously reported 3.6 percent gain.

Much of this gain came from a 14.8 percent - or $4.9 billion - rise in orders from the aircraft and motor vehicle industries.

Orders for fabricated metals posted the greatest decline, slipping 6. 8 percent, or $1 billion.

Increases in orders for non-durable goods were widespread in October, with gains posted in the petroleum refining, chemical, tobacco and food industries.

Durable goods shipments rose 1.8 percent - or $2.2 billion - to $126. 6 billion, mostly from increased shipments of motor vehicles and parts. Non-durable goods shipments rose by $5 billion during the month.

Inventories at manufacturers of durable goods - those items intended to lsat three or more years - slipped 0.1 percent to $246.7 billion, while inventories for makers of non-durable goods increased 0.4 percent to $500 million.

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(DEC. 6) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Atlanta - Signed free-agent first baseman Sid Bream to 3-year contract.

Chicago (NL) - Obtained minor league third baseman Mike Grace from Montreal to complete an earlier trade.

Cincinnati - Signed free-agent second baseman Bill Doran to 3-year contract, plus 1-year option for 1994.

Detroit - Signed free-agent infielder Tony Bernazard to 1-year contract; waived pitcher Mike Schwabe for the purpose of giving him his unconditional release.

Milwaukee - Signed free-agent outfielder Franklin Stubbs to 3-year contract.

New York (NL) - Signed free-agent outfielder Vince Coleman to 4-year contract.

San Francisco - Traded pitcher Steve Bedrosian to Minnesota for pitcher Johnny Ard and a player to be named.

Toronto - Traded shortstop Tony Fernandez and first baseman Fred McGriff to San Diego for second baseman Roberto Alomar and outfielder Joe Carter; signed free-agent utilityman Pat Tabler to 2-year contract and minor-league pitcher Ravelo Manzanillo to Triple A contract.

BASKETBALL

Boston - Released guard Jim Paxson and Charles Smith.

LA Clippers - Waived forward Cedric Ball; activated forward Ken Norman from injured list.

Miami - Activated guard Keith Askins; waived guard Milt Wagner.

Phoenix - Placed center Andrew Lang on injured list; activated forward Tim Perry from injured list.

COLLEGE

Abilene Christian - Named Ronnie Peacock football coach.

Bowling Green - Named Gary Blackney football coach.

Oregon State - Named Jerry Pettibone football coach.

FOOTBALL

Barcelona (World League) - Announced Josep Figueras acquired ownership rights; team nickname will be Dragons.

Buffalo - Waived defensive back Rick Carey; signed defensive back Clifford Hicks.

Phoenix - Placed linebacker Eldonta Osborne on injured list; activated wide receiver Amod Field from practice roster.

Seattle - Placed linebacker Rufus Porter on injured reserve; signed linebackers Dave Ahrens, Rod Stephens and Donald Miller.

HOCKEY

Hartford - Recalled forward Mark Greig from Springfield (AHL); reassigned defenseman Marc Bergevin and forward Michel Picard to Springfield.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 5) UPI - The Toronto Blue Jays early Wednesday signed free agent infielder-outfielder Pat Tabler to a two-year contract. Terms were not disclosed, but Tabler made $725,000 last season, split between Kansas City and the New York Mets.

Tabler, 32, a right-handed hitter, started the 1990 season with Kansas City, where he hit .272 in 75 games with one home run and 19 RBI. He was dealt to the Mets on Aug. 30 for minor league pitcher Archie Corbin, and hit .279 for New York with one homer and 10 RBI.

It is Toronto's second free agent signing in as many days. Late Tuesday, the Blue Jays inked free agent utility infielder Rance Mulliniks to a $3 million, 2-year contract.

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ROMULUS, MI (DEC. 5) UPI - Fire broke out on the wing of a Northwest Airlines jet with 69 people aboard at Detroit Metropolitan Airport early Wednesday but it was quickly extinguished and there were no injuries.

The emergency shortly after 6 a.m. caused some tense moments at the airport, where two Northwest planes collided on a foggy runway two days earlier, killing eight people.

Northwest Flight 852 from Seattle had safely landed and was at the gate preparing to take off for Newark, N.J., as Flight 582 when someone in ramp control and a Northwest agent saw smoke coming from one of the 727 jetliner's wings.

The ground agent grabbed an extinguisher and put the fire out within seconds, a Northwest spokeswoman said. Firefighting crews also sprayed the aircraft with foam.

All 69 people aboard were safely evacuated, some through the normal exit route and others from a stairway on the runway. Flight 582 was canceled and all but 15 of the passengers were were put on other flights to New York's LaGuardia Airport.

The Northwest spokesman said the fire was caused by residual fuel in the aircraft's auxiliary power unit. When the pilot started the plane, the fuel ignited, sending smoke and flames from the power unit's wing ducts.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 6) UPI - Coast Federal Bank, one of the growing number of troubled California thrifts, disclosed Wednesday that it does not expect to be able to meet some of the new federal capital requirements that will become effective at the end of the year.

Coast, which has lost $47 million in the first nine months of this year, also said that it has been forced to enter a supervisory agreement with federal regulators.

That pact bars the 120-branch thrift from paying dividends, repurchasing stock or redeeming any subordinated debt without approval from regulators.

Coast said it would not be able to meet risk-adjusted capital requirement of 7.2 percent. It also said it is unlikely that it can meet the pending higher leverage capital rule expected to become effective next year.

Coast said that part of its problems stem from not receiving any acceptable offers for its eight branches in the Central Valley area of California. It said the branches will not be sold.

Coast also said it continues to evaluate offers for its 19 offices in the San Diego area, but added that those bids were below original expectations.

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OTTAWA (DEC. 5) UPI - A year ago Thursday, a gunman who blamed women for his failures shot 14 women to death at an engineering school in a tragedy that touched off months of bitter debate over his motives and led to increased sexism on Canadian campuses.

Only the Ecole Polytechnique, where 25-year-old Marc Lepine killed himself after his rampage, has been silent about the tragedy, its unwillingness to speak publicly reinforced by a new security system of closed-circuit monitors and controlled access cards.

''Let's forget about this guy. This guy was completely crazy. By talking about him ... you are just encouraging more crazy people to act like him,'' the school's director, Andre Bazergui, told reporters recently.

The engineering school will be closed Thursday, prefering to honor its dead with a morning mass at the huge Notre Dame Cathedral. Church bells in Montreal will begin ringing at 5:30 p.m., the hour the massacre began.

In Ottawa, Parliament will observe a minute of silence, while dozens of universities will hold candlelight vigils to remember the dead women.

In the United States, women's groups also have planned vigils in front of the Canadian Consulate in San Francisco and the Canadian Embassy in Washington.

At many events in Canada, extra police officers will be assigned as a precaution. Guy Lachaine, chief of security at the University of Ottawa, said female officers Thursday will monitor special workshops on violence. ''We don't anticipate any problems, but you never know,'' he said.

The anniversary of the massacre has heightened debate over whether Lepine was simply a madman or a reflection of society's resentment toward women. Michael Mandel, a professor at the Toronto-based Osgood Hall law school, said the backlash against feminists at universities has become more pronounced with the worsening economy.

''There is a feeling that feminism is to blame for unfulfillment and a declining standard of living,'' Mandel said, adding that women have become the ''new scapegoats'' as they compete increasingly with men for enrollment in limited programs such as law, medicine and engineering.

The most noticeable impact of the massacre came from professional engineers who set up scholarships and cracked down on blatant sexism at several universities. At the University of Alberta, the Dean of Engineering last winter filed formal complaints against his own students who chanted ''shoot the bitch'' during the faculty's annual skit night shortly after the massacre.

But Rachel Black, a student at the University of Windsor in southern Ontario, said little has changed for women students. Several recent assaults against female students - four of them involved men trying to force women into their cars - prompted the university to establish a program in which volunteers escort women home after dark.

''I've started to take more precautions,'' Black said. ''I don't walk home alone, I take a cab.''

But Black said special programs aimed at protecting women are just ''Band-Aid solutions'' and the ''larger social element'' must be addressed.

The grief of those who witnessed the violence a year ago is still apparent and in some cases has led to profound changes. Danielle Leblanc, a sociology teacher at the engineering school, told the Montreal Gazette that she escaped the building when a security guard warned students someone was on a rampage in the school. Leblanc sought refuge in a stairwell, then fled down three flights of stairs to a parking lot. Inside, several of her students lay dead.

Leblanc said her awareness of discrimination has increased since the massacre.

''Maybe it's just part of my evolution,'' she said, ''but this year, for the first time, I understand it's not easy being a woman.''

But Leblanc is angry that students at the Ecole Polytechnique have refused to speak about the violence. ''Poly is a cold and closed place,'' she said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 70.00-72.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 116.63-120.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 37.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $192.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $426.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $428.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 277.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - There is no guarantee that economic sanctions will force Saddam Hussein to get out of Kuwait or cause enough domestic unrest to topple his dictatorship, CIA Director William Webster told a House panel Wednesday.

And Webster told the House Armed Services Committee that without any conflict, Iraqi ground troops can nearly maintain their current levels of readiness for as long as nine months, and the air forces can keep up current levels of readiness for three to six months.

While Webster testified on the House side of Capitol Hill, Secretary State James Baker outlined the administration policy before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, emphasizing he would go to Baghdad not to negotiate with Saddam, but to insist that Iraq unconditionally get out of Kuwait.

The testimony came amid growing calls, chiefly from Democrats, to go slow and see if economic sanctions can do the job without resorting to war. And members of Congress have been insisting that the question of using force be put before Congress.

Webster painted a picture of an Iraqi civilian economy increasingly constricted by the highly effective sanctions, but said the military side of the economy could hold out longer.

''Saddam apparently believes that he can outlast international resolve to maintain sanctions. We see no indication that Saddam is concerned, at this point, that domestic discontent is growing to levels that may threaten his regime or that problems from the sanctions are causing him to rethink his policy on Kuwait.

''The Iraqi people have experienced considerable deprivation in the past. Given the brutal nature of the Iraqi security services, the population is not likely to oppose Saddam openly,'' said Webster.

''Our judgment has been and continues to be that there is no assurance or guarantee that economic hardships will compel Saddam to change his policies or lead to internal unrest that would threaten his regime.''

In terms of specifics, Webster said a number of light industries in Iraq been sharply curtailed or have closed entirely, including the country's only tire-manufacturing plant.

But refining and power production operations continue. Iraq has been largely cut off from foreign exchange, he said, and it will probably exhaust its

reserves by next spring.

Food stocks, he said, are adequate for the next several months but black market prices are shooting up. He noted that for the second time civilian rations have been cut and rations for military personnel and their families has been raised.

But he said that by spring most Iraqis will face major changes in their diets and unless there is humanitarian food aid items like sugar and edible oils will be in short supply. He also said Iraq does not have the capability to become self-sufficient in food by next year.

By spring, he said, it is likely that only energy-related and some military industries will still be fully operating, and ''this will almost certainly be the case by next summer.''

''Although sanctions are hurting Iraq's civilian economy, they are affecting the Iraqi military only at the margins. Iraq's fairly static defensive posture will reduce wear and tear on military equipment and, as a result, extend the life of its inventory of spare parts and maintenance items,'' Webster said.

''Under non-combat conditions, Iraqi ground and air forces can probably maintain near-current levels of readiness for as long as nine months,'' he said.

But the most sophisticated aircraft, he said, should stay in peak condition for three to six months, largely because of their greater complexity and Iraq's reliance on foreign equipment and technicians.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - Iraq has accepted talks with the Bush administration as a chance to end the Persian Gulf crisis without a bullet being fired. The State Department says Iraq agreed to a proposal for meetings between its foreign minister and President Bush in Washington sometime after December 15. Iraq also agreed to talks between Secretary of State Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad sometime before January 15th, the deadline the U-N has set for Iraqi forces to leave Kuwait or face war.

In testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today, Baker refused to disclose what he'll say to Saddam. But Baker made it clear that he won't negotiate or- quote- ''walk back from the U-N Security Council resolutions.'' Baker said that NO one is making a decision to go to war now and that the administration will use the next six weeks- quote- ''to exhaust all diplomatic opportunities.''

President Bush today picked up Argentina's backing of his tough stand toward

Saddam Hussein. In turn, Argentine President Carlos Menem won Bush's support for his show of force against a military rebellion two days before Bush's arrival. Bush took a break from his rigid five-nation Latin American tour to play tennis with Menem and the two leaders sat together later during an evening rodeo at the Palermo Rural Stadium.

A Soviet lawmaker and anti-nuclear leader, on a tour of the United States, is urging Americans to demand an end to nuclear testing in the Nevada desert. Olzhas Suleimenov told reporters today in San Francisco that the Cold War is not finally over yet because nuclear tests continue. Suleimenov says the majority of nations, including the Soviet Union, favor the comprehensive test ban. He accused the Bush administration of opposing efforts to negotiate such a ban.

A report by the American Psychological Association says women are twice as likely as men to get depressed. The report says a lot of it has to do with sexual and physical abuse, unhappy marriages and poverty. And it says that contrary to popular belief, biological factors such as premenstrual syndrome, menopause and post-partum depression play a relatively small role in depression in women.

Experts are saying that school children would eat healthier lunches if schools lock up the candy and soda machines. The unofficial Citizens' Commission on School Nutrition said the government should set nutrition standards for school meals. The panel also recommended steps to reduce the amount of fat in school lunches over the next several years. One panel member noted that lifetime eating patterns are established in childhood.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - Industrial productivity increased a revised 0.2 percent in the third quarter, the Labor Department reported Wednesday. The figure was revised downward from a previously estimated increase of 1.6 percent for the quarter, the government said.

The department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said that in the overall business sector, productivity rose a revised 0.4 percent, while gaining 0.2 percent in the non-farm business sector, 5.1 percent in manufacturing, 7.4 percent in durable goods manufacturing and 1.6 percent in non-durable goods manufacturing.

Productivity rose more slowly in the business and non-farm business sectors during the quarter. In manufacturing, unit labor costs fell, reflecting, in part, faster productivity growth in the third quarter than in the previous period, the government said.

Among non-financial corporations, productivity declined at an annual rate of one percent in the third quarter and output declined 0.8 percent. Despite the

reduced output, the hours worked at non-financial corporations increased by 0.2 percent.

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Manufacturing productivity increased by an annual rate of 5.1 percent during the quarter, the largest increase since 1987. Hourly compensation increased by 3.8 percent but fell 2.4 percent due to inflation.

In the non-financial sector, productivity declined one percent from the previous quarter, output slipped 0.8 percent and hours worked increased 0.2 percent. Compensation in this field increased 4.3 percent on an hourly basis but when factored to consider inflation, compensation fell two percent.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Alexander's Inc (1st Q 10-20)	
$96,514,000	$97,357,000
d-$3,867,000	d-$1,340,000
d-Deficit.	
Boston Digital (2nd Q 10-31)	
$5,506,000	$5,545,000
$193,000 (.07)	$198,000 (.07)
Score Board Inc (3rd Q 10-31)	
$10,709,140	$7,085,227
a-$796,390 (.27)	$447,946 (.16)

a-Includes a charge of $211,424 (.04) representing costs of a cancelled

public offering.

Seagram Co (3rd Q 10-31)
$1,487,000,000 $1,362,000,000
$189,000,000 (2.01) $170,000,000 (1.77)

Seven Oaks (2nd Q 10-31)
$3,263,000 $5,947,000
d-$2,515,000 $299,000 (.05)
d-Deficit.

Std Brands Paint (3rd Q 10-28)
$77,707,000 $82,855,000
$841,000 (.08) $1,414,000 (.18)

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(DEC. 5) UPI - Correction: fixing typo 6th item xxx when they stopped the car.

A former associate of deposed Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega staged a takeover of the nation's police headquarter today just hours after his daring helicopter escape from an island prison. He was reported to have as many as 100 rebel officers with him. U-S troops surrounded the police headquarters at the request of the Panamanian government.

The incident at police headquarters came as Panamanian workers prepared for a general strike today to protest government economic policies. Yesterday, thousands of anti-government protesters marched in the streets of Panama City in support of the workers.

The Iraqi news agency says President Saddam Hussein and his few Arab allies have issued a statement saying that he would prefer the gulf crisis to be settled within the Arab world. Saddam said in the joint communique that ''an Arab-Arab dialogue is a necessity.''

Also today, the Iraqi news said Soviet hostages held by Iraq began to return home. An UNdisclosed number of Soviet military advisors and consultants reportedly began leaving Iraq on flights to Amman, Jordan. Saddam said yesterday that the estimated 33-hundred Soviets would be allowed to return home, but Moscow countered that the move would not lessen its opposition to the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

U-S Trade Representative Carla Hills says in Brussels that world trade talks involving 107 nations are- in her words- ''very near the end of the road'' over an impasse on agriculture subsidies. Four years of so-called GATT talks are threatened with collapse because of a dispute between the United States and the 12-nation European Community over the E-C's huge farm supports.

Three of the eight people killed when two jets collided on a foggy runway at Detroit Metropolitan Airport Monday were executives at International Paper Company's corporate offices in Memphis. Three other company officials survived the crash. All but seven of the 24 people treated for injuries in the crash were released from Detroit-area hospitals by yesterday afternoon.

There was another emergency at Detroit Metropolitan Airport this morning. Passengers aboard Northwest Airlines Flight 582 ... bound for Newark, New Jersey ... were evacuated when the pilot spotted smoke coming from an auxiliary power unit on the 727's wing. Witnesses say it appears the power unit caught fire. The passengers were evacuated with NO injuries.

The Boston Herald reports that Teamsters President William McCarthy may face a federal contempt citation for appointing an associate with alleged underworld connections as vice president of the nation's largest union. The official, Jack Yager, reportedly was removed from office last week on orders from an independent administrator who oversees operations of the union under a federal consent decree.

Two gunmen, one with a bomb wired to his body, kidnapped a woman in Queens, New York, last night in an attempt to force her to withdraw money from a bank. However, police rescued the woman after a tense standoff with her captors. Police discovered the man with the bomb strapped to him and a hand grenade in his pocket when they stopped the car. The kidnapped woman was in the trunk of the car.

The head of the the Consumer Product Safety Commission is warning parents to be on the lookout for UNsafe toys. Jacqueline Jones-Smith says her office received reports of 33 deaths from UNsafe toys between January 1989 and September. She said parents who suspect that they may have purchased an UNsafe toy should contact either their state consumer products office or the federal Consumer Product Safety Commission in Bethesda, Maryland.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 5) UPI - Thieves used computers to obtain millions of dollars in free telephone service through the Johnson Space Center in what one expert described as the biggest such theft in the nation, a newspaper reported Wednesday.

The Houston Chronicle said hundreds of people used the illegal system during a period of at least two years at a estimated cost of up to $12 million.

NASA could not determine precise figures for the loss, said space center spokesman Steve Nesbitt. The $12 million figure was based on costs of similar break-ins nationwide, said law enforcement agents specializing in computer

crime.

''It's the biggest one I've ever heard of and certainly the longest- running one I've ever heard of,'' said detective Jim Black, computer crime unit coordinator of the Los Angeles Police Department and an authority on telecommunications theft.

Telephone service was stolen by using a long-distance credit card number and by direct use of NASA's phone lines, Nesbitt said. The credit card fraud was discovered by AT&T when use of the card's number exceeded typical patterns.

There was no indication of who was responsible for the thefts.

Heavy losses were sustained through four lines in the space center's regular phone system.

''That was shut down. It's been deactivated,'' Nesbitt said of the compromised points of access.

The NASA theft is the second such penetration of a government agency in recent weeks, the newspaper reported. On Nov. 17, it was reported that hackers and others had stolen phone service worth millions through the Houston offices of the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Hackers try to gain unauthorized access to computer systems and refer to unauthorized use of telephone service as ''phone phreaking.''

Assisted by computers, ''phreakers'' find PBX numbers through trial and error by calling all available numbers in a prefix, then share the numbers.

Private branch exchange is the name given to the telephone switching systems commonly used by medium and large companies. NASA's system was one form of PBX.

In both government break-ins, the intruders gained access to the Federal Telephone System, a dedicated phone service similar to a WATS line. There is no per-call billing on the FTS, a fact that allows abuse to go undetected for so long, computer underground sources told the newspaper.

''That was a number that was set up for our off-site offices to be able to reach the government long-distance service,'' Nesbitt said. ''People in the off-site offices would call in, they would have an FTS dial tone, and off they would go. That number was recently disconnected, '' he said.

Black and Gail Thackeray, an assistant attorney general for the state of Arizona and an expert in telecommunications theft, said such penetrations typically cost from $100,000 per month at a small company to $500,000 per month at a large firm.

If NASA's phones were compromised for 24 months, the agency could have lost service worth up to $12 million, they suggested.

''PBX's are the hacker's choice for phone fraud because of the shielding capability,'' Thackeray said. ''Somebody trying to back trace the loss comes up against the corporation instead of the hacker's home phone ... We all pay for this.''

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WATERLOO, Iowa (DEC. 5) UPI - A Waterloo-based investment group, the Iowa Acquisition Group, said Wednesday it has written Pan American World Airways expressing interest in buying the financially troubled airline.

Samuel Nordarse, a retired University of Northern Iowa professor, said the group has first targeted New York-based Pan Am, but has also expressed interest in Eastern Airlines, of Miami, now under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection and being run by a court-appointed trustee.

He said if the group cannot acquire either company, it will take a look at other carriers suffering from financial difficulties, such as Continental Airlines, which filed for Chapter 11 protection earlier this week.

Nodarse said the group wants to buy financially troubled companies and move them to Iowa. He said the idea is not as far-fetched as it sounds, and is attracting attention throughout the state.

''We have a lot of interest, more than I expected,'' he said.

Nodarse and another partner, Pan Am Capt. Neil Sapp of Miami, met with 175 government and business leaders Tuesday to explain the proposed acquisition of Pan Am and other companies. Nordarse said he was surprised at the interest because many of the participants had to travel several hours through a driving snow storm to attend the meeting.

Nodarse said the partners in Iowa Acquisition will be attempting to sell 300,000 or more $5,000 denomination bonds to finance the acquisition. Money from the sale would be invested with Iowa banks, with the interest used to pay off loans from investment bankers. Buyers of the bonds would each be given 1,000 shares of stock in the group, but no dividends would be paid until the bonds mature in nine years.

Nordarse, who escaped from Cuba in a small boat 27 years ago, said he believes he can sell the bonds. He said he has been contacted by several out-of-state investors, but is hoping that the majority of the bonds will be sold to Iowans.

''I have been in Iowa many years,'' he said. ''Sometimes, I think Iowans are a

little apathetic, but once you explain things to them, to my surprise I find they aren't. You can't get any better backers than Iowans.''

Sapp said he believes there is a ''high probability of success'' for the Pan American offer. He said he also believes that moving the international carrier's headquarters to Iowa would benefit the company.

''The rest of the country looks at you in Iowa with envy because of your geographical center, lifestyle and high literacy rate,'' Sapp said.

Nordarse said there has been no lack of interest from Iowa communities interested in becoming involved in the plan.

''We're talking to Cedar Rapids, Des Moines, Waterloo,'' he said. ''Mason City called us. They want to be a part of it.''

Nordarse said while the company has indicated its intentions to Pan American, a detailed buyout offer has yet to be drafted.

''We would like to make an offer in January,'' he said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - The Federal Reserve, in its periodic snapshot of the U.S. economy, Wednesday said business conditions display an overall ''weaker pattern'' with declines in consumer confidence, retail sales and business loan demands.

The survey, which was conducted by each of the 12 Fed districts, found economic activity declining in many of the regions after being sluggish in recent months.

''Several districts report a decline in consumer confidence and business confidence and many refer to expectations of continued diminution in economic activity,'' the Fed said in its ''Beige Book.''

Retail sales, after being adjusted for inflation, fell below year-ago levels in almost all of the 12 Fed districts and manufacturing conditions and construction have weakened in most of the regions.

The Fed noted that soft domestic demand has been offset in part by strong export orders. Another bright spot was found in agriculture, which has been boosted by strong crop yields and high livestock prices.

Several districts also reported declines in business loan demands and some tightening of credit standards.

Retail sales have weakened throughout the United States. The Fed survey found the dollar volume of retail sales to be lower in most of the districts in October than a year ago in most of the 12 districts.

''At best, only slight icreases are reported in the rest of the districts,'' the Fed said.

Poor consumer confidence levels were attributed to retail sales declines in Chicago, Atlanta and St. Louis. Most of the districts reported that retailers were pessimistic about slaes prospects for the vital Christmas season.

The Cleveland, Chicago and St. Louis districts noted ''particular weakness'' in the automobile industry. But again, weak domestic demand for manufactured goods was partially offset by strong export orders.

Richmond and Atlanta reported stong export shipments. Most districts also said their manufacturing inventories appear to be under control.

''Manufacturers have expressed concern about business prospects for the coming months,'' the Fed said.

In Boston, for example, a majority of manufacturers forecast a national recession lasting two to four quarters. The region's economy has been wallowing in recession this year.

In other regions, manufacturers were mixed in their outlook for the economy. In San Francisco, the word was ''continued deterioration'' but in Philadelphia manufacturers expect ''modest increases'' in orders and shipments.

Most of the districts continued to report sluggishness in construction activity, with weakness in residential building. Several districts cited ''a glut'' of houses for resale, the Fed said. Housing sales were down in Atlanta, St. Louis and Minneapolis.

Commercial construction was ''generally weak,'' with New York and San Francisco suffering an abundant supply of office and commercial space. But Chicago and Minneapolis reported brighter prospects for commercial building.

None of the Fed's districts reported significant wage pressures and reports of price increases were mixed. Several districts expect price discounting by retailers this Christmas season to attract reluctant shoppers.

In the financial sector, several districts reported weaker demand for consumer and business loans and almost all districts noted some tightening of loan standards.

''Reports of banks' willingness to lend are mixed, with New York reporting that banks are somewhat less willing to lend but with St. Louis reporting no

change,'' the Fed said.

The most positive aspect of the report came from agriculture, which appeared strong across the country.

The ''Beige Book'' is prepared by Federal Reserve staff members and forward to the Fed's Open Market Committee, which sets monetary policy. The committee is scheduled to meet Dec. 17-18.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 5) UPI - Tony Bernazard, a veteran major-league infielder who played the last three seasons in Japan, Wednesday signed a 1-year contract with the Detroit Tigers.

Bernazard, 34, has spent nine years in the majors with stops in Montreal, the Chicago White Sox, Seattle, Cleveland and Oakland. He has a lifetime .262 average with 75 home runs and 391 RBI.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - U-S troops surround the headquarters of the Panamanian police at the request of the Panamanian government. The move follows seizure of the building by rebel police officers led by a former police chief. The U-S troops have managed to confine the incident to the immediate vicinity of police headquarters and the rest of Panama City appears calm. President Guillermo Endara says most of Panama's 12- thousand-member police force remains loyal to his U-S backed government.

President Bush is in Argentina on the third stop of a six-day Latin American trip. Thousands of police are on duty throughout Buenos Aires two days after the Argentine government put down a rebellion by dissident military units. Bush arrived by helicopter from neighboring Uruguay where he told reporters

yesterday he was NOT ''in a negotiating mood'' when it comes to settling the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush says he still backs U-N resolutions calling for the UNconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from occupied Kuwait.

Iraq has begun releasing some of the estimated three-thousand Soviet nationals it once said could NOT leave until they finished work they were hired to do. Moscow is major supporter of U-N resolutions against Iraq and it says freedom for its hostage citizens will NOT change the Soviet position. The release comes as Iraq prepares for high-level, face-to-face talks with the United States on the Kuwait crisis. Saddam Hussein says he still wants an Arab solution to the crisis.

A group calling itself the Citizens Commission on School Nutrition is urging schools to lock up the candy and chips and put more fruit and vegetables in the cafeteria. The panel also says there needs to be a sharp increase in funding for the school lunch program, which feeds about 24-Million children a day. The Washington-based group says a recent federal study shows that fat accounts for 37 percent of calories consumed by children and that the fat level in school lunches needs to be reduced.

A new poll says most of the Americans questioned favor state laws requiring seat belts, but that there is less general agreement on the value of using collision air bags. The survey was conducted by Louis Harris and Associates, Incorporated for General Motors and Prevention magazine. It found that 81 percent support seat belt laws, but only about half believe air bags offer additional protection in a crash. One in five of those surveyed admitted they have driven after drinking.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - The Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service stepped up its efforts Wednesday to bring about a settlement of the 42-day-old Daily News strike after two days of negotiations between management and the powerful drivers' union.

Bernard E. DeLury, director of the FMCS, met informally in Manhattan with Newspaper and Mail Deliverers Union President Mike Alvino and other union leaders to ''get a sense of the situation,'' according to the service's district director, Kenneth Kowalski.

''He has been involved through messages and memos and now has been able to meet and talk with union leaders,'' Kowalski said. ''We expect to have more meetings with the drivers in the future and with other striking unions as well.''

Mediator Jack Sweeney sat in Monday and Tuesday on the first direct talks between the drivers and News management since the bitter strike began Oct. 25.

The union's 743 members who worked for the News, making up the second-largest News union after the Newspaper Guild, were the first to walk off their jobs.

Sources at the Newspaper Guild said the drivers and management agreed on a list of 14 items that must be settled, but the contents of the list were not disclosed.

Alvino skipped a meeting Tuesday with Cardinal John O'Connor and leaders of six other striking union to attend a negotiating session with News Labor Relations Director Ed Gold and attorney Robert Ballow. Later he told union leaders at a briefing at Guild strike headquarters that the strike would last ''until all unions have contracts.''

''We're with you,'' Alvino said. ''This is one strike.''

Alvino repeated previous statements that his union was willing to give the News ''relief'' if he was shown areas in which personnel cuts could be made. The News has demanded that the unions give up what it called featherbedding and overstaffing practices which it said cost the 71-year old morning tabloid newspaper millions of dollars every year.

O'Connor came out of his meeting with union leaders critical of the News for hiring permanent replacement workers for the strikers so it could continue publication. He said that as a neutral party, he would write city business and political leaders uring them to join him in an effort to end the strike.

The cardinal said he would testify next week before a hearing chaired by Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, on proposed federal legislation to outlaw the use of permanent replacement workers.

In another development, city transit police joined forces with the Metropolitan Transportation Authority in its legal battle to oust Daily News hawkers from the city's subway network and from the facilities of the Long Island Railroad and Metro North commuter rail system, all of which are owned and operated by the MTA.

Federal Judge Miriam Cedarbaum granted the Police Benevolent Association a motion allowing it to become a party to the News' suit against the MTA, which is being sued by the paper for its attempt to ban hawkers from subway and commuter railroad platforms.

Cedarbaum said she will issue a final ruling on Friday on whether the hawkers may remain in the stations.

Meanwhile, strikers fanned out through the city's subways Wednesday morning with leaflets asking riders not to buy the News.

Adding pressure to the subway sale battle, the News distributed a new afternoon edition Tuesday, making it the only major city daily to boast an afternoon edition.

News spokesman John Sloan said the paper was being sold in subway and railroad stations and would, ''provide New Yorkers with late breaking news, sports and business.''

About 2,500 members of the Guild and eight unions represented by the Allied Printing Trades Council walked off their jobs at the News Oct. 25 after 10 months of fruitless contract negotiations. Since then there have been sporadic talks between union negotiators and managment with federal mediators in attendance.

Before the strike, The News, founded in 1919, was the largest- circulation local newspaper in New York. It is owned by the Tribune Co., the Chicago-based publishing, broadcasting and entertainment conglomerate.

There have so far been more than 200 incidents of violence connected with the strike, with each side accusing the other of resorting to and encouraging violent tactics. The strike has greatly slashed the News' readership and advertising revenues, with most of its approximately 615 pre-strike advertisers pulling out.

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LONDON (DEC. 5) UPI - A nuclear meltdown is possible in British submarines because of cracks in coolant circuits in nearly half the nuclear-powered fleet the environmental group Greenpeace said Wednesday.

A report commissioned by Greenpeace from a firm of independent engineers, Large and Associates, said if reactors are suddenly shut down the cracks could split without warning, allowing coolant to escape.

Greenpeace said such an event could result in the meltdown of the nuclear core possible loss of the submarine and crew and environmental contamination.

''These nuclear submarines are highly dangerous and should not be going anywhere,'' said Greenpeace spokeswoman Janet Convery.

''It is irresponsible of the Ministry of Defense to allow these vessels to go to sea when there is a risk of a core meltdown,'' she said.

A Ministry of Defense spokesman declined to comment on the report but said the ministry would not allow nuclear submarines to operate unless they were safe.

Greenpeace vessels Monday unsuccessfully tried to stop HMS Revenge, a Polaris

submarine said to be affected by cracks, from putting to sea.

The group claims Revenge was made ready in a hurry to replace HMS Resolution, which is believed to have been on patrol for some 3 weeks longer than the normal 12-week period because other Polaris submarines suffer from the defects.

Britain has eight Polaris missile submarines, four of which Greenpeace says are affected by cracks.

The Ministry of Defense admitted in February that HMS Warspite, a hunter-killer submarine, was defective. Warspite has been scrapped along with two other hunter-killer submarines, despite a $348 million refit.

Large's report claims four more similar submarines have cracks in their coolant circuits and are to be decommissioned, leaving a fleet of just six.

Greenpeace's campaign against nuclear proliferation was handed a setback earlier this week when British courts ordered the environmental organization not to interfere with British nuclear fuel industry boats carrying nuclear wastes at sea.

The court also ordered Greenpeace to pay damages to British Nuclear Fuels Co. for trying to prevent the firm's boats from dumping nuclear waste at sea.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - A genetic discovery in electric ray fish may shed new light on cystic fibrosis in humans and help the search for drugs against the common, inherited fatal disease, researchers reported Wednesday.

German scientists said they have identified and duplicated a gene that codes for production of a protein that regulates the flow of salt in and out of cells of electric rays.

That finding could have important implications for cystic fibrosis patients because defective salt regulation is a central feature of the disorder, in which thick mucus clogs the lungs and leads to life- threatening infections. About one in 2,000 white babies are stricken by cystic fibrosis, and most patients die before age 40.

Last year, researchers pinpointed the genetic flaw that causes about 70 percent of cystic fibrosis cases. But contrary to expectations, the affected gene did not code for production of a salt gateway, called a chloride channel. Instead, researchers suspect the gene codes for a channel for another type of molecule, which in turn regulates chloride traffic through another, undiscovered channel.

Chloride - which is a component of salt - helps regulate cells' water balance, and upsetting that balance may be what causes the mucus of cystic fibrosis patients to thicken.

In a study published in the journal Nature, Thomas Jentsch and colleagues from Hamburg University said they were able to find the gene for chloride channels in so-called torpedo rays with almost no knowledge of what type of gene or protein for which they were searching. The protein does not resemble any other channel yet discovered in cell membranes.

Torpedo rays, which are bottom-dwelling, slow-moving fish that look somewhat like stingrays, use their electric organs to produce shocks of about 100 volts to stun their prey. The rays were chosen for the study because their ability to generate relatively large electric currents hinges on extremely high concentrations of cells rich in chloride channels.

Scientists should be able to use the information garnered from the eels to find similar chloride channels in humans, said Robert Beall, medical director of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

''Researchers have a 'fishing pole' to literally go and fish out the chloride channel in humans,'' Beall said.

In addition, Beall said incorporating both the defective cystic fibrosis protein and the chloride channel into tiny bubbles called liposomes may offer a new way to rapidly screen for drugs against cystic fibrosis. If a drug counteracts the harmful impact of the defective protein, the chloride channel should work properly.

Currently, there is no treatment to prevent or directly attack cystic fibrosis. But some patients live into their 20s or 30s with the help of infection-fighting drugs and enzyme supplements to improve their impaired digestion.

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#90339u1033 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 5) UPI - The Milwaukee Brewers, seeking some left-handed power to replace Rob Deer, Wednesday signed free-agent outfielder Franklin Stubbs to a 3-year, $6 million contract.

Stubbs, 30, batted .261 with 23 home runs, 71 RBI and 19 stolen bases with the Houston Astros in 1990. He has a .236 career average, playing solely in the National League.

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#90339u1036 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA (DEC. 5) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 500; represented sales steers and heifers steady; slaughter steers choice No 2- 4 1100-1325 lb 80.50-81.50, select 76.50-79.00; slaughter heifers choice No 2-4 950-1250 lb in narrow test 80.50-81.50, select 76.00-79.00.

Hogs 2,000; feeder pigs 800; total 2,800; butchers 1.00-1.50 lower, No 1-3 220-260 lb 47. 50-48.00, 177 head mostly sorted 48.25, No 2-3 260-280 lb 47.00-47.50, 310 lb 44.00; sows 30 percent, 2.00-3.00 lower, No 1-3 all weights 41.50-42.00.

Sheep 100; slaughter lambs and ewes steady; slaughter lambs choice and prime 110-130 lb shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 46.00-47.00, wooled these grades 44.00-45.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00, few to 10.00.

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EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (DEC. 5) UPI - Operation Desert Shield is into its fourth month, and soldiers deployed in the Saudi desert say they've gotten used to about everything - except the lack of cold beer.

Alcohol, forbidden by the Koran, Islam's holy book, is permitted in some Arab nation, but not in conservatively Saudi Arabia, so the closest thing to a stein of beer in the homeland of the prophet Mohammed is non- alcoholic brew.

''I drink 'near beer' because I like to drink beer and its the closest thing I got to home since they won't give us the real stuff over here,'' said Sgt. Dan Moody of Glenville, Ga. ''It's a long way from real beer, it doesn't have the alcohol in it and it tastes a lot different, but it gets by.''

Moody said some of the men in his unit drop by a truckstop grocery along a desert highway in eastern Saudi Arabia whenever possible and bring home a six-pack of ''near beer.''

Staff Sgt. Frank Hall of Orlando, Fla., said there are some advantages to the brew-without-a-kick. ''We get nearly drunk this way, get a near hangover, the only thing we get out of it really is the beer burp after we're finished,'' he said.

''Hey it's a state of mind, it gives us something to go for because you can't have alcohol here in the kingdom ... so it's a way to escape,'' Hall said.

There are several brands available for the ''near beer'' drinker, ranging from those made in the Philippines to those coming from countries like Germany and Switzerland, where beer drinking - and lots of it - is a way of life.

Among the ''near beer'' imports available at a Safeway grocery store in one eastern Saudi city are Moussy from Switzerland, Barbican from England, San Miguel from the Philippines, Prostel from Germany and Swan from Australia.

Moussy offers a dark beer for those that prefer a stout brew, and a low-calorie beer for those who can pinch more than an inch around the belly.

American GIs miss their Budweiser, Miller, Michelob, Busch or Coors. But the soldiers have only been in the kingdom four months and many of the immigrants who perform the service-oriented tasks in Saudi Arabia go as much as a decade without their favorite drink.

Carlos Averin, a coffee shop clerk from Manila, said he has been in the kingdom for nine years without alcohol. Back in the Philippines he would be throwing back a few San Miguels and plans to do the same when his work contract in the kingdom expires in two months.

''We will be having a good time with the San Miguel beer and we might be having a good party,'' he said.

If Averin live nine years without an alcoholic beer, and desert-weary soldiers said they too will be able to endure.

''You can make it, I mean it's not a do-or-die type situation,'' Hall said, noting that the ''near beer'' is psychological stress reducer, kind of the next best thing to being home.

Sitting in the front seat of a military truck with the door open and the sun beating down across the desert, Hall said even though the ''near beer'' was a comfort, ''I guess a good ice cold beer would be really good today.''

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 5) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Wednesday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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#90339u1061 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

PLEASANTVILLE, NY (DEC. 5) UPI - First it was Pepsi, then Big Macs. Now Reader's Digest is headed to Moscow in a Russian-language version, the magazine reported Wednesday.

George Grune, Reader's Digest chairman and chief executive officer, said publishing in the Soviet Union would begin in August next year with the magazine sold primarily at newstands.

Articles will be translated from the U.S. edition of the magazine, he said.

Grune said Reader's Digest had been assured complete editorial freedom by Soviet officials.

''Because of that commitment, as well as the pledge there would be no censorship of any articles we intend to publish, we are going ahead with our plans for a Russian-language edition,'' he said.

The company has contracted with three separate Soviet firms to produce and distribute the Russian edition, he said. The first issues will have an initial circulation of 50,000, and rise to a maximum of 100,000 until a two-year test period is over.

''The company will use this time to determine the feasibility of doing business in the Soviet Union and measure the level of interest in its magazine '' he said.

Each issue will average 160 pages and carry advertising from companies around the world, he said.

The addition of the Russian edition will mean Reader's Digest is published in 16 languages and 40 editions.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - On the late October Saturday that the Senate approved the historic budget agreement, Sen. Warren Rudman, R-N.H., a blunt-spoken veteran, sent political chills through the chamber.

Congress, Rudman said, will have to ''get serious'' in the next two years about means-testing entitlement programs, starting with Social Security and Medicare, or ''we will be back in the same mess three years from now.''

Through means-testing, used in many federal programs, federal assistance is provided in relation to a person's finances - more for the poor and less for the well-off.

The five-year budget package, pushed to passage in the last days of the 101st

Congress at great political cost, is designed to cut the deficit by close to $500 billion.

But few believe that will be enough even if the economy improves and as the ''peace dividend'' becomes a mirage in the rising costs of Operation Desert Shield in the Persian Gulf.

That means Congress, beginning with the session that opens Jan. 3, will have to start scratching for still more money, picking over the ''untouchable'' items that littered the floor of the negotiating sessions.

One of those areas, according to Rudman, has to be the entitlements programs, the biggest and fastest-growing part of the budget.

The federal budget this year breaks down to 24 percent for the military, 17 percent for non-defense discretionary spending, 14 percent for interest - and 49 percent for a wide range of entitlement programs. Rudman said that these programs, unless checked, could reach 70 percent of the budget in 1996.

But going after senior citizens, even under the most laudable circumstances, is a political torment for members of Congress.

The most recent example was the about-face on the catastrophic health insurance program for the elderly. Passed with great fanfare in 1988, the program was killed a year later after a deluge of protest over a large increase in premiums that affected only the wealthiest.

Budget negotiators tinkered with both Social Security and Medicare in the budget agreement, raising the maximum income subject to the Social Security tax to $53,400, increasing the monthly Medicare premium from $28.60 this year to $46.10 in 1996 and increasing the deductible from $75 to $100.

But these changes were across the board, affecting equally the wealthiest of retirees and those struggling to spread what little they have to cover food, housing - and health care.

There already is one means-test for Social Security recipients. As much as half of Social Security benefits are taxable for a couple making over $32,000 (a single person getting $25,000) in unearned income. The benefits of those who make less are not taxed.

The budget negotiators considered, but discarded as politically too hot, an increase in taxes on benefits, a reduction in the cost-of-living increases, as well as several other options.

Rudman, however, wants more of the Social Security taxes subject to tax and wants to begin means-testing Medicare, the health insurance program for the elderly.

''There is nothing that makes sense about a Medicare program that treats all seniors alike,'' Rudman said. ''Those with upper incomes should pay for more of their own health care. Those with low amounts of income should pay very little.

''I cannot understand why there is such sensitivity to that kind of an approach,'' he said. ''I happen to believe that the American people would agree that a carefully means-tested program in Social Security and Medicare and other programs will be fair and in the interest of the American people.''

Rudman, who is drafting legislation, said he will introduce it next year, adding if some means-testing can be implemented, ''We need not be back here again two years from now facing budget crisis.''

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ATLANTA (DEC. 5) UPI - Running back John Settle, though not prominent on the playing field this year, is being recognized for his efforts elsewhere.

Settle is the Atlanta Falcons nominee for the Travelers NFL Man of the Year award for his contributions to the community.

Although Settle - the former Pro Bowler who became the first free agent to rush for 1,000 yards since the league merger in 1970 - has only carried the ball five times this year, he has been active in several charitable causes in the Atlanta area.

Settle supports the sudden infant death syndrome organization, lectures youth on the dangers of drug abuse and works with Georgia TEAM (Techniques for Effective Alcohol Management. The running back appeared in a video for youngsters about the dangers of drug abuse, and he often speaks for the Drug Enforcement Agency.

Settle also is involved with Dunbar Elementary School, the Falcons' ''adopted'' school.

''We believe it is important to honor these men whose athletic and civic accomplishments have such a positive effect on America's youth,'' said Edward H. Budd, Travelers Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

For the honor, a check for $1,000 is being sent in Settle's name to the Sudden Infant Death Syndrome of Atlanta Foundation.

At year's end, the Travelers will select the NFL Man of the Year from among the 28 entrants. That player will receive the famed gladiator trophy, and $25,000 will be donated to the charity of his choice.

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ROMULUS, MI (DEC. 5) UPI - ''You're on 21 Center? Exit that runway immediately, sir!''

Those frantic words concluded a chaotic exchange between the control tower at Detroit Metropolitan Airport and the pilot of a Northwest Airlines DC-9 that strayed onto the wrong runway during heavy fog Monday afternoon.

Eight people were killed and 24 injured when a larger jet clipped the DC-9's wing, igniting a fire that spread like a fireball through the cabin. The victims included three International Paper Co. executives and a veteran Northwest Airlines flight attendant.

At a news briefing Wednesday, Frank Lauber, head of the National Transportation Safety Board team investigating the accident, said there was no doubt the pilot of Flight 1482 somehow became disoriented and ended up on the runway where Northwest flight 299 was preparing to take off.

The Boeing 727-200 tore into the side of the DC-9, ripped off an engine and touched off the fire the fatal fire.

''In regard to that taxi, and in regard to where they were, they did report that in the last few moments just before the accident ... that they were aware at that point that they were on the runway ... and saw the 727 proceeding toward them, and from then on events proceeded very rapidly,'' Lauber said.

When they learned the DC-9's position, surprised controllers warned pilot William Lovelace to get off the runway immediately, according to a transcript of the tapes.

But by that time, Lovelace, on his first unsupervised flight since ending a five-year medical leave, told investigators he could see the 727-200 as it thundered toward him.

The tape indicates that Lovelace, 52, and his first officer, James Schiffern, 43, were confused about where they were as they groped along the 8,500-foot runway.

The tower asked the crew to ''verify position.''

''We're not sure,'' one of the crewmen radioed back. ''It's so foggy out here. We're completely stuck here.''

After a pause, the DC-9 radioed again: ''Looks like we're on 21 Center here. That would be dangerous - the take-off runway.''

Tower: ''You say you are on Runway 21 Center?''

DC-9: ''Believe we are. We're not sure.''

Tower: ''You're on Runway 21 Center? Exit that runway immediately, sir!''

Arriving at the crash site Tuesday, the 70-member NTSB team began piecing together information from the fire-gutted DC-9 and less severely damaged Boeing 727, then hauled both aircraft into a hangar.

The cockpit voice recorder and flight data recorder from each airplane were recovered from the scene of Monday's crash and flown to Washington, D.C., for analysis.

Northwest Chairman Alfred Checchi, in his first comment since the crash, Tuesday called a meeting with injured victims a ''very draining'' experience. He said he visited airline employees Tuesday, and seven of the eight people still hospitalized ''to assure them of our assistance today and long into the future.''

''As tragic as this accident is, many lives were saved by the immediate actions of the crew members aboard the aircraft,'' he said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker, who is expected to meet with Iraq's Saddam Hussein, told Congress Wednesday his mission to Baghdad will not be to negotiate but to tell Saddam to comply with the 12 U.N. resolutions or ''risk disaster for Iraq.''

''I must go to Baghdad ... with the full support of the Congress and the American people behind the message of the international community,'' Baker told the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee.

''Let me be clear,'' Baker said. ''This meeting will not be the beginning of a negotiation over the terms of the U.N. resolutions. Those terms are clear, a complete, immediate and unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait, the restoration of the legitimate Kuwaiti government and the release of all foreign nationals.

''Nor is this the beginning of negotiations on subjects which are unrelated to Iraq's brutal occupation of Kuwait,'' Baker said. ''I will not be negotiating the Palestinian question or the civil war in Lebanon. Saddam Hussein did not invade Kuwait to help the Palestinians; he did it for his own self-aggrandizement.''

Baker told the panel his mission to Baghdad ''will be an attempt to explain to

Saddam the choice he faces: Comply with the objectives of the (U.N.) Security Council or risk disaster for Iraq.''

Baker said President Bush has directed himself, Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney and Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, ''to work with the other members of the international coalition to refinforce the multinational force in the gulf and to coordinate its efforts. Our aim is to ensure that if force must be used, it will be used suddenly, massively and decisively.''

Last Friday, Bush offered to send Baker to Baghdad for talks with Saddam and said he would be willing to see Iraq's foreign minister in Washington. Bush's widely hailed invitation was accepted and the Iraqi official was expected to visit Washington as early as next week.

At a news conference in Buenos Aires, Bush told reporters he viewed the upcoming talks with Iraqi officials as ''confined by, mandated by the Security Council resolutions, period. That means no concessions on territory.'' He said that he does not ''view these talks as having anything to do about concessions that stop short of the U.N. resolutions.''

CIA Director William Webster told the House Armed Services Committee Wednesday that there is no guarantee that economic sanctions will force Saddam to get out of Kuwait or cause enough domestic unrest to topple his dictatorship.

''Our judgment has been and continues to be that there is no assurance or guarantee that economic hardships will compel Saddam to change his policies or lead to internal unrest that would threaten his regime,'' Webster said.

Baker's testimony follows appearances before the Senate Armed Services Committee by Cheney and Powell. Cheney said that sanctions alone will not be enough to prompt an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait. Bush, traveling in Latin America, said he agreed with his Pentagon chief.

''I've not been the one who's convinced that sanctions alone will do the trick '' Bush said Tuesday.

On Tuesday, House Democrats strongly endorsed Bush's handling of the Persian Gulf crisis, but they also demanded that Bush seek a declaration from Congress before going to war, unless he needs to protect U.S. lives.

On a vote of 177-37, House Democrats meeting in a caucus as a prelude to the 102nd Congress convening in January, declared that they ''support the actions taken by President Bush to defend Saudi Arabia,'' his demand that Saddam leave Kuwait, and that they back Bush's diplomatic moves.

But the measure added, ''No initiation of offensive military action shall be taken by U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf without the affirmative approval of

Congress as required (by the Constitution) except to protect American lives from imminent endangerment.''

The vote came as congressional committees continued hearings on gulf policy.

Chairman Les Aspin, D-Wis., of the House Armed Services Committee, at the opening of three weeks of hearings by his panel, declared, ''The country is united on ends but divided on means. ... There is disagreement on how we ought to deal with this crisis. Action that isn't backed by consensus will mean disaster. Whatever we do, the country, the Congress and the president must do it standing on common ground.''

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LONDON (DEC. 5) UPI - Stock prices closed slightly higher in listless trading Wednesday on the London International Stock Exchange, constrained by sell programs with attention focusing on a government privatization.

Stocks also gained in Frankfurt. Trading was described as moderate.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 16.4 points Tuesday, gained 6.3 points to 2,152.6. The narrower top 30 industrial average added 8.0 points to 1,689.6.

Volume amounted to around 520 million shares compared with 473 million shares traded during the same period Tuesday.

Analysts said stocks, which opened slightly lower, firmed amid some program trades and overseas buying.

Market watchers blamed much of the wariness on a $193 million sell program by securities house Smith New Court, and a series of ''bed and breakfast'' deals, under which investors temporarily unloaded stocks to securities houses.

Meanwhile, the financial district focused heavily on the privatization of the electricity companies. Trading is expected to begin at a premium on Tuesday, Dec. 11.

On the corporate news front, among the most widely traded stocks, Bass, the brewery group, surged 50 cents to $19.41 after reporting its latest pretax profits climbed 15 percent to $1 billion.

Advertising and marketing giant Saatchi and Saatchi eased 4 cents to 66 cents on worse-than-expected results and worries that there might be a cash call on the horizon.

Reuters PLC slipped 21 cents to $11.36. The news and information agency said

Tuesday in a meeting with analysts in New York it would be ''reasonably satisfied'' with growth in 1991.

On the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, the closely watched German Stock Index, which fell 16.24 points Tuesday, rebounded 24.62 points to 1,470. 96.

Analysts said the unconfirmed report on British television that Iraq would agree to withdrawing from Kuwait except for a critical oil field was the dominant psychological factor pushing prices higher.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - Secretary of State Baker says his mission to Baghdad will NOT be to negotiate with Iraq... but to tell President Saddam to comply with the 12 U-N resolutions or ''risk disaster for Iraq.'' Baker told the Senate Foreign Affiars Committee today that his upcoming meeting in Baghdad also is NOT the beginning of bargaining over issues NOT related to the occupation of Kuwait. Baker says that includes the Palestinian question and civil war in Lebanon.

Former Texas Governor John Connally and Coastal Corporation Chairman Oscar Wyatt are in Iraq to seek freedom for American hostages. Wyatt is a millionaire Houston oilman who has been one of Baghdad's best oil customers, though Coastal has NO employees held by Iraq. Wyatt and Connally took a planeload of medical supplies they hoped to use in negotiations with Iraq.

President Bush and his host, Argentina's President Carlos Menem, plan to hold a joint news conference within the hour. Bush arrived in Buenos Aires this morning by helicopter from neighboring Uruguay. Menem is the only Latin American president to send naval units to enforce U-N sanctions against Iraq, and he did so even though a majority of Argentina's Congress opposed the move. The 60-year-old Argentine leader also backs U-S plans to build a free trade zone throughout Latin America.

Menem has been having problems of his own recently, including a military revolt he calls a coup attempt.

Mixed signals about the economy are coming from Washington. The Commerce Department reports the economy was in slightly better shape during October than originally predicted. But the Labor Deparment says third-quarter industrial productivity was NOT as strong as first thought.

Factory orders were up two-point-eight percent in October for the best increase since March. Increased orders for transportation equipment pushed durable goods ahead three-point-nine percent with NON-durable goods orders up one-point-six percent. Revised productivity figures, however, were up only two-tenths of one percent. The original third- quarter figure had been up a

much stronger one-point-six percent.

The jury in the Central Park jogger case resumed deliberations this morning... urged by the judge to rely on common sense rather than emotion to reach a verdict. Defense lawyers say the two black youths accused of attacking a white woman jogger were arrested only because they are black. The two face 13 criminal charges, including rape and attempted murder in the April 1989 assault.

The American Medical Association says women are NOT getting the same quality of medical treatment as men. Members of the A-M-A House of Delegates meeting in Orlando, Florida, this week say there is research that shows men historically receive better health care than women. The A-M-A group recommends that doctors examine their attitudes to see whether they are influenced by social and cultural biases against women.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (DEC. 5) UPI - The Columbia crew continued to fight a balky automatic telescope mount Wednesday, prompting the spaceship's frustrated skipper to question the wisdom of continued troubleshooting at the expense of valuable science.

Although Columbia's seven-man crew doubled the number of astronomical targets they were able to study Tuesday versus the day before, officials said Wednesday, they continued to lose observing time because of problems getting the $50 million Instrument Pointing System to lock onto and track dim stars.

Even so, mission scientist Ted Gull said he was optimistic the glitches ultimately would be resolved and that the astronauts would revolutionize humanity's knowledge about the most violent stars and galaxies in the universe during the course of their 10-day mission.

''We have an observatory that is slowly coming to life,'' Gull said of Columbia and its four-telescope ''Astro-1'' payload. ''While we're still fine tuning the instruments and operations, we're starting to think science. We're transitioning from the checkout period to the science period.''

Since blastoff Sunday, the shuttle's four astronomers - Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, and civilian researchers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 47 - have become adept at manually guiding the ''IPS'' and its three ultraviolet telescopes.

Using automatic control for bright targets and manual guidance for dim stars and galaxies, the astronauts were able to achieve 35 percent of their planned targets Tuesday versus just 17 percent Monday.

Working in the background, commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42 and flight engineer John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, are keeping Columbia shipshape and pointed in the right direction.

Gull said the science output of the 38th shuttle mission would continue to increase as engineers and scientists learned more about how to coddle the IPS into reliably aiming the three UV telescopes at their targets.

But in an exchange with mission control in Houston, Parker said ''it's pretty clear we could get a lot more data, at least in the short term,'' by using manual ''contingency target acquisition,'' or CTA, ''all the time.''

''In fact, it's not obvious to me we won't be better with CTA if (automatic target acquisition) works,'' Parker said.

A few minutes later, Brand echoed Parker's thoughts, expressing obvious frustration.

"I would like to add emphasis to what Bob Parker said a little while ago about phasing over to CTA operations and forgetting about trying to get the automatic (system) to work,'' Brand said. ''It seems like we're up here to get data. It puts a little more workload on those guys (to acquire targets manually) but they seem to enjoy it.''

Musgrave replied that while the shuttle crew was having better luck with manual operations, the quality of the observations was less than they would be with automatic control.

''Vance, we are trying to get the best science we can right now,'' Musgrave said. ''But we're also considering that ... we're still doing some diagnostics and tests and hope to improve further from where we are operationally.''

''OK, I understand,'' Brand replied. ''It's not up to us. But we're up here to get science.''

The goal of the 38th shuttle mission is to study a smorgasbord of violent stars, explosive galaxies, mysterious quasars and other high-energy targets with a $150 million payload of four telescopes sensitive to energetic X-rays and ultraviolet light that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

Three ultraviolet telescopes are mounted on the Instrument Pointing System while the Broad Band X-ray Telescope, known as the BBXRT, is mounted in its own cradle at the back of Columbia's cargo bay.

Unlike the IPS instruments, the X-ray telescope is operated from the ground by remote control and after initial problems fine-tuning its alignment, science operations have proceeded normally.

But the astronauts had continuing trouble with the tempermental Instrument Pointing System, reducing the number of planned astronomical observations and forcing mission planners on the ground to list their priority targets for the remainder of the mission.

The targets scheduled for observation Wednesday included a pair of elliptical galaxies, a quasar, the multiple star Capella and a bright X-ray source in the Large Magellanic Cloud, a sister galaxy to Earth's Milky Way.

Capella, the sixth brightest star in the sky, actually is a multiple star system with at least four components, the two brightest of which are separated by 70 million miles.

Another high priority target for the Columbia astronauts is a quasar known as 3C 273, the first such ''quasi-stellar radio'' source quasar ever discovered.

Quasars, roughly the size of a solar system, somehow generate the energy output of entire galaxies. Astronomers suspect giant black holes are responsible for the titanic energy output of quasars and data from the Astro mission could shed light on the matter.

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DUMFRIES, SCOTLAND (DEC. 5) UPI - A former British security chief of Pan American World Airways testified Wednesday that Pan Am's administrative problems may have undercut security operations, leading to the bombing of Flight 103 in December 1988 over Scotland that killed 270 people.

British Army Col. Wilfred ''Jumbo'' Wood, 59, issued a bitter attack Wednesday against the airline while testifying before the Scottish inquiry into the Lockerbie disaster.

The 270 victims, some of them on the ground in the town of Lockerbie, included many U.S. students returning home for the holidays from studies in Europe.

Wood, whose was vice president of security training and operation at the airline, set up a global security program called Alert for the airline between 1986 and 1988 but that Pan Am's security administration undercut his program.

When setting up Alert, ''the challenge was up to us to find out what we could '' Wood said. ''There was no point in complaining. There was no line of communication in Pan Am. It certainly didn't exist as a clean flow.

''The best answer was to get on with what we had got. No one was quite clear who was responsible for what, regarding security,'' he said.

Wood, who served 34 years in the British army, said there was never any

directive or sign that the Alert security programm was being carried out.

Each Pan Am station manager in Germany, a key point along the Pan Am route, was ''a baron in his own fiefdom,'' he testified.

Wood also revealed that immediately after the bombing, which has neen blamed on unnamed terrorists, he exposed a loophole in airport security on a trip to Germany - with bomb fuses in his own luggage.

''In my little bag, I had half a dozen fuses stuffed among the pens. That showed how easy it was. I went through X-rays about 18 times in the day (at airports in Germany and Britain) and they didn't pick them up. There was no way with X-ray you were going to pick up that information,'' he said.

The inquiry, in its 10th week, has heard that the unaccompanied suitcase bomb that destroyed the aircraft was loaded into the hold at London Heathrow from a Frankfurt feeder flight - but could have started its journey anywhere in the world.

Pan Am X-rayed inter-line passenger baggage but did not match it with passengers or physically search it, as required by Federal Aviation Administration regulations, according to testimony.

Wood described Pan Am's administrative system as ''antiquated and clumsy'' and added: ''It was rather like a procrustean bed. I think they were trying to graft an alien plant into European soil. Basically, the administration wasn't sound.

"The staff was doing its best. But if you had a German X-ray machine you could not put an Alert machine beside it. If an Alert guard found a bomb, he could only communicate that to the German police as a German citizen,'' Wood said.

Wood said he based his program on a report produced for Pan Am by KPI, a New York firm of former Israeli airline El Al security consultants. The firm's bid to set up the security was rejected because of cost.

His program was presented to Pan Am's security task force just before Christmas 1986 by the firm's president at a cost of $1.5 million to $3.5 million.

''He was told to run away and think again,'' said Wood. ''They were very rude to him. It was an antagonistic meeting with everyone defending his own corner. My impression was that Pan Am's flight academy, which trained ground security co-ordinators, saw the program as a threat,'' Wood said.

He said the program set up in London in 1987 was a reduced system and that the one-week course for screeners and searchers was cut to three days.

X-ray operators were given training for only one or two hours and some on-the-job instruction.

He said other training plans - such as bringing instructors from the airline's school in Alabama and the appointment of a security coordinator for each Pan Am station - were also abandoned for financial reasons.

Of the airline's corporate security, Wood said: ''These people were not experienced in anti-terrorism organization. From being policemen thief-takers, they were turned into an anti-terrorist organization and it did not sit well."

He thought the same situation still prevailed.

The colonel told the inquiry the Alert program was set up in Frankfurt in June 1988, six months before the disaster.

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VATICAN CITY (DEC. 5) UPI - International Jewish officials praised the ''new spirit'' in relations with the Catholic Church Wednesday and urged that the church keep Catholics up-to-date on developments to help combat anti-Semitism.

This was the main theme to emerge from a full day of talks between a 30-man delegation from the International Jewish Committee on Interreligious Consultations and the Holy See's Commission for Religious Relations with the Jews, held in a Pontifical Palace near St. Peter's Square, Jewish Committee spokesman Gunther Lawrence said.

On Thursday the Jewish delegation is to have an audience with Pope John Paul II in the Vatican. It will be the first top-level Jewish meeting with the pope since 1987 when an IJCIC delegation protested John Paul's meeting with Austrian President Kurt Waldheim, accused by the Jews of war crimes in World War II.

The new encounter officially marked the 25th anniversary of the ''Nostra Aetate'' (In Our Times) declaration by the Second Vatican Council that condemned anti-Semitism and removed the centuries-old charge that the Jews were responsible for Christ's death.

It also aimed to build on a similar meeting between the two delegations held in Prague in September that formally declared anti- Semitism ''a sin against God and humanity.''

The Jewish leaders expected the Polish pope to endorse that declaration during Thursday's meeting to curb the resurgence of anti- Semitism in Poland and other newly liberated countries of Eastern Europe.

In a speech to the only open session of the Wednesday talks, held at the Lateran University, Rabbi Jack Bemporad, of Lawrence, N.Y., chairman of the Interreligious Affairs Committee of the Synagogue Council of America, urged that the ''new spirit'' be spread to the Catholic ''grass roots.''

He said the Jewish Community must also educate ''our own people'' to the changes that have developed in Jewish-Catholic relations.

''It will take a long time for the Jewish community to genuinely trust the events that have so radically changed the church,'' he said.

Bemporad also urged that Vatican recognition of the state of Israel ''could do a great deal to alleviate and assist in both the relations and the dialogue.

''You clearly state that no theological objections to Israel exist and that the Jewish state has a right to exist,'' Bemporad told the Catholics at the evening session. ''Why not go all the way and establish relations?

''Such recognition does not imply agreement with a nation's policies, but places the relationship on the same equal level that the Catholic Church has with world Jewry,'' he said.

However, Vatican sources said the pope was not ready to change his frequently expressed position that the establishment of full diplomatic relations with Israel could come only when the Jerusalam has a form of international status guaranteeing access to the shrines by the three religions that regard it as their Holy City.

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BEIJING (DEC. 5) UPI - Trading opened Wednesday on socialist China's first national securities exchange, but an inaugural ceremony was marred by the unexplained absence of the only top communist leader expected to attend.

The new Securities Trading Automated Quotations System, called STAQS and modeled on the American NASDAQ exchange, began operation at 9 a.m., linking six financial centers across China over a network of computers and telephone lines.

In the first day of operation, the 18 trading firms registered under STAQS negotiated computer-assisted trades of Chinese government treasury bonds totaling about $740,000.

Officials of the sponsoring Securities Exchange Executive Council said at a news conference that the system had worked well and would serve to build efficiency, flexibility and financial muscle into China's balky socialist economy.

''We call it an over-the-counter market because there is no trading floor,'' said Wang Boming, the council's Wall Street-trained vice president and one of the architects of the new trading system. ''It can be said that the whole country now is one big trading market.''

But a celebratory buffet at the Great Hall of the People, the seat of Chinese government on central Tiananmen Square, was conspicuous for the absense of any of China's top communist leaders.

Securities exchange officials confirmed that Yao Yilin, a member of the ruling Communist Party politburo's elite standing committee, had been expected to attend but had canceled.

Several exchange officials privately attributed Yao's reversal to policy ''contradictions'' in the highest levels of the Communist Party, but none would offer further explanation.

''There is some controversy (in the party leadership) over what we are doing, but I cannot say any more than that,'' said the organization's general counsel Gao Xiqing. ''To tell you more would give our enemies something to use against us.''

The development of financial markets is an important component of China's economic modernization drive, and the new computerized bond- trading system is just one of many Chinese experiments with capitalist- style finance.

But hard-line elements in the party are known to be nervous about financial markets, which many believe represent the adoption of capitalism at the expense of socialism.

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SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (DEC. 5) UPI - Clashes between government troops and rebels continued Wednesday despite President Alfredo Cristiani's warning that increased rebel attacks would be matched by harsher army suppression.

''If rebels show no desire (to stop fighting) and they want to continue the war, then we will decide to do the same,'' Cristiani told reporters Tuesday at a military celebration about 20 miles north of San Salvador.

Cristiani told reporters that continued attacks by guerrillas of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, threaten peace talks begun in April to end 10 years of civil war that has left more than 72, 000 people dead.

''The armed forces are going to destroy the rebels militarily,'' Defense Minister Rene Emilio Ponce said at the Tuesday celebration.

The government's harsher tone comes after almost three weeks of fighting that began Nov. 20 when rebels launched a limited offensive. Rebel leaders say the offensive is designed to force the government to give concessions in peace talks.

The army reported fighting Wednesday 35 miles north of San Salvador in La Laguna, where a U.S.-made AC-47 military plane was downed by rebel fire Tuesday.

One member of the seven-man crew was found alive and the army has classified the others as missing in action.

Defense Minister Rene Emilio Ponce said the Sandinista army in Nicaragua has supplied Salvadoran rebels with Soviet-made SA-7 and SA-14 surface-to-air missiles, which the army says have been used in the downing of two of the four military aircraft shot down in the past two weeks.

Fighting around the country Tuesday left nine guerrillas dead and 11 wounded, the army reported. Army casualties were reported as three dead and 11 wounded.

Most of the deaths resulted from fighting about 10 miles east of San Salvador in Tonacatepeque, where eight rebels and two soldiers died, the army said.

More than 200 government troops and rebels have died in the past three weeks of fighting, according to military and diplomatic estimates.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Sterling Drug Inc. is talking with a number of companies, including Sanofi S.A. of France, about forming a worldwide ''strategic alliance,'' the company said Wednesday.

Sterling and its corporate parent, Eastman Kodak Co., are ''aggressively moving to reach critical mass,'' Charles Mayr, a Sterling spokesman, said Wednesday.

Mayr said the discussions do not involve an acquisition. He said he didn't know if or when any type of agreement would be reached.

He acknowledged that Sterling is talking to Sanofi, a large pharmaceutical company, but declined to mention any other companies in the discussions. They may include F. Hoffmann-LaRoche & Co., Ciba-Geigy AG and Sandoz AG, all based in Switzerland, and Bayer AG of West Germany and Rhone Poulenc S.A. of France.

Kodak, based in Rochester, N.Y., purchased Sterling, of New York, in February 1988 for $5.1 billion. Kodak has publicly stated it is pleased with Sterling's

performance.

However, consolidations have changed the industry, creating the need to form new alliances, Mayr said. Analysts said Sterling is not earning enough to offset interest payments on the debt Kodak incurred to acquire the firm.

Kodak denies persistent rumors that Sterling is for sale.

A new alliance might be reached by the end of the year, sources said, but it's not known what form a joint venture would take. It's likely Sterling would market a number of new drugs in the United States while also gaining a larger presence overseas.

Foreign firms might benefit from Sterling's strong domestic sales force, especially in over-the-counter drugs. Sterling could gain access to new drugs and expand in Europe and Japan.

Sanofi is 60 percent owned by France's state-controlled Elf Aquitaine oil company. Sterling manufactures over-the-counter drugs like Bayer aspirin and Phillips Milk of Magnesia. The firm also sells pharmaceutical products such asdyes used in diagnostic imaging.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - Despite rising factory orders and continued, but slowing, gains in productivity, economists said Wednesday there is little in recent government statistics to indicate economic recovery.

The Commerce Department reported a 2.8 percent increase in factory orders in October. The increase, which was greater than many economists had expected, was the largest boost since a 4 percent gain in March.

New orders for manufactured goods increased $6.8 billion in October to $250.7 billion. Durable goods orders gained 3.9 percent, with most of the increase in transportation equipment.

Orders for non-durable goods rose 1.6 percent with most of the gain coming from petroleum refining.

Shipments of manufactured goods increased 1.7 percent - or $4.2 billion - in October to $247.5 billion. Shipments for durable goods rose 1.8 percent, with transportation equipment shipments accounting for most of the gain.

Non-durable goods shipments rose 1.6 percent, mostly from increased petroleum refining.

Inventories at manufacturers of durable goods, those items intended to last

three or more years, slipped 0.1 percent to $246.7 billion, while inventories for makers of non-durable goods increased 0.4 percent to $500 million.

The ratio of inventories to shipments was 1.52, down from 1.55 in September.

''The fact that the inventory-to-sales ratio is still in good shape is a positive sign'' said Robert Dieli, an economist at Northern Trust Co. in Chicago.

''If we keep the inventory ratio on even keel that means we will avoid the standard business contraction problem of inventory build ups.''

Unfilled orders were up 0.6 percent - or $3.2 billion - to $522.5 billion. Excluding aircraft and parts orders, there was a 0.5 percent decline in October.

Manufacturers' inventories increased 0.1 percent - or $300 million - to $377.3 billion. Although small, the rise marked the fourth consecutive increase, the government said.

New orders for durable goods increased 3.9 percent - or $4.8 billion - to $129.8 billion, revised upward from the previously reported 3.6 percent gain.

Much of this gain came from a 14.8 percent - or $4.9 billion - rise in orders from the aircraft and motor vehicle industries.

Cynthia Latta, an economist at DRI/McGraw Hill, in Lexington, Mass., said the orders report offers little in the way of positive news.

''The aircraft will be delivered in 1993 and 1994,'' she said. ''That says this isn't a great number overall.''

''What we're getting is confirmation that things are still weak despite the increases,'' she said. ''Everything else we know about the economy tells us (October) was a down month.''

The Labor Department, meanwhile, reported a revised 0.2 percent increase in productivity during the third quarter. The figure was revised downward from a previously estimated increase of 1.6 percent for the quarter, the government said.

The department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said that in the overall business sector, productivity rose a revised 0.4 percent, while gaining 0.2 percent in the non-farm business sector, 5.1 percent in manufacturing, 7.4 percent in durable goods manufacturing and 1.6 percent in non-durable goods manufacturing.

Economists tended to discount the productivity numbers.

''Productivity in this kinds of environment is not a very reliable statistic '' Dieli said. ''Around (economic) peaks or troughs, the statistic is not entirely trustworthy.''

Productivity rose more slowly in the business and non-farm business sectors during the quarter. In manufacturing, unit labor costs fell, reflecting in part faster productivity growth in the third quarter than in the previous period, the government said.

Among non-financial corporations, productivity declined at an annual rate of 1 percent in the third quarter and output declined 0.8 percent. Despite the reduced output, the hours worked at non-financial corporations increased 0.2 percent.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 5) UPI - The New York Mets, seeking speed on the bases and an outfielder to help replace Darryl Strawberry, Wednesday signed free agent Vince Coleman to a 4-year contract worth $11.95 million.

''Vince is the premier leadoff man we have been looking for,'' New York Manager Bud Harrelson said. ''Vince Coleman is going to love New York and the Mets' fans are going to love the way Vince Coleman plays the game of baseball.''

Coleman, who has led the National League in stolen bases the last six years, had 57 straight streals against the Mets. In 1990, the 29-year- old switch-hitter batted .292 with 18 doubles, nine triples, six homers, 39 RBI and 77 stolen bases.

Coleman will help the void left by the departure of Strawberry, who last month signed a 5-year, $20.3 million contract with the Dodgers. Coleman, regarded as a marginal outfielder, likley will play left field, with Kevin McReynolds shifting to center, or possibly put on the trading block.

However, Coleman struck out more than twice as many times as he walked (88 to 35), hardly ideal statsitics for a leadoff hitter.

In his first season with St. Louis in 1985, Coleman stole 110 bases and followed with 107 and 109 the next two seasons. He became the first player to put together three straight seasons of 100-plus steals.

Coleman tied Maury Wills as the only player to lead the NL in steals six straight seasons.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - A judge Wednesday set bail at $300,000 for the accused assassin of fiery Rabbi Meir Kahane, touching off a storm of protest by Jews who leapt to their feet screaming, ''God will punish you!'' and ''Filthy murderer!''

Enraged by the outburst, Justice Alvin Schlesinger ejected a shouting woman from the courtroom, which was ringed by court officers.

Moments later, about 40 supporters of the accused killer, El Sayyid Nosair, 35 burst from the room, smiling and hugging one another and shouting in deafening unison, ''God is God! God is Great!''

Kahane, a militant Zionist and leader of Israel's Kach Party, was shot and killed Nov. 5 while attending a Zionist organization meeting in a midtown Manhattan hotel.

In the 30-minute proceeding in state Supreme Court in Manhattan, Nosair, an Egyptian immigrant, was arraigned on charges of second-degree murder, first-degree attempted murder of a federal police officer, second-degree attempted murder, first-degree coercion, first-degree reckless endangerment, two counts of second-degree assault and three counts of criminal possession of a weapon.

''Not guilty,'' responded Nosair, wearing a crocheted black and white skull cap decorated with Arabic writing.

Schlesinger set bail at $300,000. He ordered Nosair, who lives in Cliffside Park, N.J. and was being held on Rikers Island, to return to court March 4.

The bail brought angry shouts from Kahane followers, many wearing yamulkahs and sweatshirts with a fist bursting through the Star of David - the symbol of the Jewish Defense League that Kahane founded.

About four dozen supporters of Nosair, many with their heads wrapped in fringed scarves so that only their eyes were exposed, burst from the courtroom cheering.

Sixteen witnesses have identified Nosair as the man who walked up to Kahane, 58, during a Zionism lecture at the Marriot East Side Hotel and shot him in the head, according to court documents.

The gunman then shot in the leg a 73-year-old man who tried to prevent him from fleeing, ran out of the hotel and commandeered a cab at gunpoint. A block away, he jumped out of the cab and fired shots at Carlos Acosta, a uniformed officer of the United States Postal Service. Acosta returned fire, striking Nosair in the chin and capturing him.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 5) UPI - Israeli officials, in advance of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's visit to Washington, said Wednesday the government sought talks to end the Arab-Israeli conflict but repeated their opposition to linking the peace process and the Gulf crisis.

The theme has recurred over and over in remarks from the prime minister's office to the Foreign Ministry in recent days as Shamir prepared for his meeting next week with President Bush and other top U. S. officials.

In May 1989, Shamir unveiled in the United States a peace plan under the Likud-Labor coalition government.

This is the Israeli prime minister's first meeting with Bush since the Likud-Labor coalition fell apart and Shamir created a Likud-led government. In recent months, Israeli analysts have characterized the U. S.-Israeli relations as icy and at one of the lowest levels.

In addition to expected discussions on the Persian Gulf crisis and the peace process, Shamir likely will raise the issue of immigration to Israel and the absorption of newcomers in an effort to seek more U.S. help. Shamir leaves Israel Thursday, with a stop in London before he continues to the United States.

''Whether there is a (gulf) crisis, or there is not, Israel is always ready to renew the process for the start of negotiations in order to settle the Arab-Israeli conflict in accordance with our peace initiative from May 1989,'' said Yossi Ben-Aharon, director general of Shamir's office.

The Israeli plan called for elections in the occupied territories for Palestinians to elect representatives to talks with the government. The plan has bogged down primarily over whether non-residents of the territories or residents of East Jerusalem could be included in a Palestinian delegation.

On the issue of Iraq, Ben-Aharon and Foreign Minister David Levy reiterated the Israeli government's stand throughout the crisis that Israel would maintain a ''low profile.'' Levy also said Israel had been promised there would be no linkage between the gulf crisis and the Palestinian issue.

The Israeli officials also repeated their warnings toward Iraq that Israel would defend itself if necessary. Before the gulf crisis, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein threatened to wipe out half of Israel with chemical weapons if Israel attacked any Arab nations.

''If someone thinks that by some sort of trick in the name of peace, he (Saddam) will be able to continue to threaten with the purpose of surprising

Israel, he will find Israel forever ready in its power to undermine his security and to cause pain until he will be sorry and regret his actions,'' Levy said.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 5) UPI - Three Israelis were wounded Wednesday when shots were fired at an Israeli civilian bus traveling in the Israeli-occupied West Bank, Israeli military and Palestinian sources said.

The incident occurred about 6:30 p.m. less than 10 miles north of Jerusalem close to the Jalazoon refugee camp and the Palestinian village of Ein Sinya, the sources said. The army declared the area a closed military zone.

The shooting came less than four days before the third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising and in the wake of leaflets calling on Palestinians to fight the Israeli occupation by ''all means.''

The term has been interpreted as condoning the use of guns and other weapons, which Palestinians have generally refrained from using during much of the uprising.

In recent weeks within Israel, however, there have been stabbing attacks by Arabs against Israelis. Four Israelis have been killed.

In the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip Wednesday, a paramilitary Border Guard was shot in the head and seriously wounded when his unit clashed with Palestinian demonstrators, military sources said. Authorities launched an investigation to determine the source of the shots that wounded the guard, the sources said.

One Palestinian was seriously wounded, the sources said.

Also Wednesday in the West Bank village of Ramallah, at least eight Palestinians were shot and wounded during confrontations with Israeli soldiers Palestinian sources said. The military imposed a curfew on the town's center after the violence.

As part of the military's preparations to discourage violence on Sunday's third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising, the army plans to reinforce its presence on main roads and in sensitive areas, Army Radio reported.

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PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 5) UPI - A tentative contract agreement was reached early Wednesday in a five-day-old dockworkers strike that had idled operations at three Delaware River ports and diverted several shiploads of imported fruit to

other locations.

Separately, cargo clerks ended a two-day strike against the Port of Baltimore, returning to work after ratifying a new contract.

The four-year agreement between eight longshoremens unions and the Philadelphia Marine Trade Association, an employers group, was announced at about 6 a.m. Wednesday after an all-night bargaining session.

Lucien Blackwell, president of Local 1332 of the International Longshoremen's Association, praised the new contract.

''The contract is a good one,'' said Blackwell. ''We're going to go back to work now.''

Blackwell said members of his union would return to work Wednesday morning, with other unions sending their employees back to the docks throughout the day.

The breakthrough in the negotiations came when management agreed to guarantee the security of union pension and welfare funds.

William Harrison, president of the Philadelphia Maritime Exchange, a trade group of 200 port-related businesses, said he was relieved that ''things are getting back to normal'' because the strike could have been a long one.

''From the tone of the issue, as we heard it ... it sounded like a harsh situation and it could have conceivably, therefore, been a long one. I think both parties are pleased that they were able to come to an agreement,'' Harrison said.

Some 2,500 union members walked off the job at midnight Friday at Delaware River ports in Philadelphia, Wilmington, Del., and southern New Jersey.

The strike forced six cargo-laden ships to unload at other ports, while at least five others were waiting at anchorage for further instructions.

Other ships, laden mostly with imported fruit, were turned away by the strike and went on to New Bedford, Mass., Bridgeport, Conn., and Alexandria, Va.

The dockworkers' 14-month contract expired at midnight Friday and union leaders rejected an offer made by management. Negotiations were centered on a new three-year, 10-month pact. The major stumbling blocks included work rules and the size of employer contributions to welfare and benefit funds.

In Baltimore, 430 clerks who walked off the job Monday have signed a new contract and returned to work Wednesday, - although the settlement was assailed by the chief of the Maryland Port Administration.

The clerks, members of Local 953 of the longshoremen's union, agreed to the new contract Tuesday.

But the settlement prompted criticism from MPA Director Brendan O'Malley, who said the pact could threaten Baltimore's ability to compete with other Middle Atlantic ports. O'Malley said the contract grants too many new jobs to the clerks, who handle the paperwork that goes along with the loading and unloading of cargo.

The clerks walked out Monday after failing to reach agreement with management over pensions, job security and health benefits issues.

''We are not happy about the result here because of our apprehension the settlement may affect our competitiveness,'' he said.

''I thought they could have done better,'' O'Malley said of the Steamship Trade Association of Baltimore Inc., which represents waterfront employers.

Few details of the new 46-month pact hammered out by the STA and Local 953 chief Richard Hughes were released.

But O'Malley said the contract adds ''a significant number'' of jobs.

Maurice Byan, the chief negotiator for management, disagreed with O'Malley's opinion, saying, ''I don't see it that way.''

The settlement involved the jurisdictional issue involving computers, Byan said.

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RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (DEC. 5) UPI - The government Wednesday began analyzing an unprecedented joint proposal made by business and union leaders to modify the economic plan adopted last March by President Fernando Collor de Mello.

But Brazil's secretary of economic policy, Antonio Kandir, expressed doubts the government would accept the business-labor proposal, which seeks to keep Brazil's recession from deepening.

''The government doesn't consider it timely to discuss any kind of change that would alter the economic policy,'' Kandir said, adding ''there is no historical precedent that has obtained (economic) stabilization where there was not absolute control of public finance.''

Government sources said a team led by economic minister Zelia Cardoso de Mello began meeting Wednesday to study the proposal. The meetings were expected to

continue through the weekend.

Representatives of business and labor organizations presented their proposal, on Tuesday in Brasilia during negotiations for a ''Social Pact.'' They asked the government to respond to the plan by Dec. 10, and Cardoso de Mello agreed.

The proposal, known as ''An attempt for national stabilization,'' includes a reduction in taxes and bank interest rates; readjustments in prices, utility rates, and salaries; a one-time December bonus for low- wage workers; and gradual salary adjustments to recover lost purchasing power.

''I think the proposal surprised the government,'' said Arthur Joao Donato, president of the Industrial Federation of Rio de Janeiro.

''The government, like much of the public, didn't believe it was possible for managers and workers to unite, to forget a little about their own interests, and to sign an agreement with mutual concessions to take care of Brazil's interests,'' Donato said Wednesday at a news conference.

''I can't accept (the government's) policy at the expense of blood and sweat, and which is destroying the country,'' said Luiz Antonio de Medeiros, president of the Central Union Force.

It is believed to be the first time that Brazilian business and union leaders have been able to reach an agreement of this type, and financial analysts say the agreement reflects the effects of Brazil's recession on both sectors.

All economic indicators during the first nine months of 1990 were negative, and at least 500,000 people lost their jobs during the period, according to government statistics.

Since early October more than 80 large and medium-sized businesses have declared bankruptcy or sought receivership due to sharp reductions in sales and high bank interest rates, which currently range between 25 percent and 30 percent a month.

Government statistics show the economy is on the way to its worst performance in at least a decade, predicting a shrinkage of 3.8 percent by the end of 1990 compared to 3.3 percent growth for 1989.

Inflation continues to plague Brazil. It reached 16.64 percent in November, the highest rate since the March adoption of Brazil's most drastic economic plan in history.

So far this year, the consumer price index has climbed 1,501 percent, and it rose 2,359.45 percent between December 1989 and November 1990.

Collor adopted the economic plan to contain inflation, which reached 82

percent in March. Its measures included increases in interest rates, the freezing of $80 billion in savings accounts, privatization of 180 government-owned businesses and the reduction of government spending.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - Former President Jimmy Carter says he believes Iraq's Saddam Hussein thought ''the world would accept the invasion of Kuwait and maybe condemn him but not take any action.''

He also said that there is a ''growing dissatisfaction'' on the part of ''just average Arab citizens'' the profits extracted by the emirs and kings from oil in their lands ''have been deposited in the West and the Arab people have not benefitted.''

''This accounts for an enmormous $900 billion. So there is dissatisfaction on which Saddam is capitalizing,'' he added.

Carter discusses the failures and triumphs of his presidency, current events, his treatment at the hands of Ronald Reagan, his campaign to promote human rights and his view of the times in an interview by Jack Nelson, Washington bureau chief of the Los Angeles Times, to be aired by Public Television Stations.

Carter said that Saddam had tried to get the Kuwaitis to forgive the loans they made to him during the ''horrendously costly war with Iran'' and was resentful that in that period Kuwait was pumping about a million barrels of oil a day than allowed under the OPEC oil cartel agreement.

He said that Saddam's attempts to negotiate with the Kuwaitis, the Saudis and the Arab League were fruitless. ''They didn't give him practically anything,'' said Carter. ''He even warned the world he was going to go in. Nobody believed him.

''I think he believed at the time that the world would accept his invasion of Kuwait and maybe condemn him but not take any action.''

The 39th president observed that the United States has the reputation of being ''a warmonger, with the possible exception of Saddam Hussein.''

''We're the ones who sent troops to Lebanon,'' he said. ''We're the ones who bombed Tripoli. We're the ones that invaded Grenada. We're the ones that invaded Panama. We're the ones that orchestrated the Contra war to overthrow the Sandinistas.

''No other country has done that,'' he added, ''and we are very proud of ourselves a nation whose moral standards are the highest.''

On other issues, he said he:

-Was obsessed with the American hostages held in Iran during his presidency and ''felt deeply that I should do everything possible to get those hostages home and protect their lives.'' He said that Reagan and President Bush followed a different philosophy: ''Let's ignore the hostages as much as possible; not escalate their value in the minds of those who are holding them.''

-Is ''aggrieved with the expansion of Israel's borders into the West Bank and Gaza results in now 23, almost 24 years of lack of freedom by the Palestinians whose families have been there since the time of Christ.''

-Had one major failure in his poltiical life: ''It's a total incapacity to deal with the American press, particularly the White House press, when I was in office.'' He said there have been studies showing ''I was treated more negatively by the press than any other president in this century.''

-Was blocked by U.S. ambassadors serving under Reagan when he went to Turkey and Costa Rica to promote human rights and religious freedom.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 5) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	78.85	79.10	78.75	79.07	78.60
Feb	75.10	75.35	74.90	75.20	74.90
Apr	75.85	76.05	75.65	75.82	75.72
Jun	73.80	73.85	73.47	73.72	73.57
Aug	72.10	72.38	72.05	72.05	72.05
Oct	72.15	72.30	72.10	72.15	72.15
Dec	....	....	....	72.90	72.90

Est. sales 17,681 contracts; Tuesday 13,212; Open interest: 71,032 off 902

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	87.40	87.80	87.25	87.72	87.32
Mar	85.05	85.47	84.85	85.38	85.00
Apr	83.88	84.30	83.80	84.22	83.80
May	82.95	83.35	82.82	83.30	83.05
Aug	82.20	82.50	82.20	82.40	82.15
Sep	82.00	82.00	82.00	81.85	81.85
Oct	....	....	....	81.45	81.40
Nov	....	....	....	81.35	81.20

Est. sales 1,625 contracts; Tuesday 827; Open interest: 9,775 up 87

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	49.60	49.92	49.30	49.63	49.30
Feb	47.80	47.95	47.50	47.78	47.25
Apr	44.95	45.55	44.90	45.53	44.78
Jun	48.95	49.30	48.80	49.10	48.85
Jul	49.15	49.45	49.00	49.15	49.05
Aug	48.00	48.25	47.85	48.08	47.90
Oct	43.50	43.85	43.15	43.40	43.25
Dec	....	....	....	44.50	44.50

Est. sales 9,243 contracts; Tuesday 14,566; Open interest: 28,795 up 274

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	64.25	64.90	63.50	64.10	63.90
Mar	63.50	64.00	62.55	63.15	62.90
May	63.20	64.00	62.95	63.22	63.05
Jul	63.05	63.70	62.63	62.83	62.60
Aug	60.50	61.10	60.15	60.15	59.70

Est. sales 7,174 contracts; Tuesday 6,414; Open interest: 12,914 up 576

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lb 128.39 down 28 cents, 700-850 lb 128.48 down 17 cents; select 1-3 550- 700 lb 117.51 up 4 cents, 700-850 lb 116.95 up 17 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow on moderate; demand very light; fresh pork loins mostly $4.00-$6.00 lower; Boston butts not tested with a lower undertone prevailing; skinned hams mostly $3.00 to $4.00 lower; seedless bellies mostly $2.50 lower; pork loins 14-18 lb 94.00-100.50; hams 20-26 lb 82.00-86.00, 26-32 lb 78.00; bellies 12-14 lb 55.00, 14-16 lb 55.00-55. 50.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Marathon Oil Co. has struck oil in Syria in an accidental discovery that could have significant economic potential for the cash-strapped Middle East nation, industry sources said Wednesday.

Marathon, the Findlay Ohio subsidiary of USX Corp., recently had a well come in at 2,800 barrels of crude oil daily while drilling for natural gas, the sources said. The company declined immediate comment.

The discovery could have export significance as a source of foreign hard curreny for Syria, which until two years ago had to import crude for its refineries.

''Syria's got good geology (for oil). There's a lot of good potential in Syria

'' one source said.

In a related development, Occidental Petroleum Corp. of Los Angeles announced a production-sharing agreement with Syria's Syrian Petroleum Co. in which Occidental will drill four exploratory wells over three years.

The sources, who commented on condition of remaining unidentified, said Marathon was reevaluating its natural-gas exploration program in light of its find of crude oil.

It's difficult to determine how much oil is in the field with the results of only one test well, but ''anytime you get something that flows nearly 3,000 barrels a day you can talk about its being significant,'' one source said.

If it's determined enough oil is in the field for commercial production, Marathon may want to delay natural gas output in order to maintain the underground pressure needed for the pumping of crude, the sources said.

The crude in the test well was high quality light crude comparable to Libyan light crude, they said.

The State Department said there are currently 12 foreign oil companies exploring for oil and natural gas in Syria, six of which are American. In addition to Marathon, they include Shell Oil and France's ELF Aquitaine.

A milestone was reached in 1988 when output from Shell's Deir ez-Zor field reached 100,000 barrels a day because that meant Syria no longer needed to import light crude for its refineries, the department said.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Datapoint Corp (1st Q 10-27)	
$58,517,000	$60,235,000
$3,052,000 (.07)	d-$13,070,000
d-Deficit.	
Florida Rock Industries (4th Q 9-30)	
$93,152,000	$106,239,000
$3,900,000 (.42)	$7,219,000 (.78)
Fred Meyer Inc (3rd Q 11-10)	
$541,853,000	$503,852,000

$3,239,000 (.13) $3,015,000 (.12)

Quanex Corp (4th Q 10-31)
$170,491,000 $140,481,000
$9,121,000 (.68) $6,300,000 (.45)

Resource America Inc (Year 9-30)
$9,613,390 $7,983,615
a-$1,649,887 (.24) b-$1,650,242 (.26)
a-Includes a pretax gain of $46,036 from the sale of property.
b-Includes a pretax gain of $292,805 from the sale of property.

Wegener Corp (4th Q 8-31)
$6,252,000 $6,296,000
d-$1,533,000 (.21) d-$63,000
d-Deficit.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - An UNidentified Iraqi official is being quoted as saying that President Saddam is feeling the pressure of the countries aligned against him. The official says it means that ''all issues are on the table'' during the meeting later this month between Saddam and U-S Secretary of State Baker. But in testimonty before the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee today, Baker made it clear he has NO plans to negotiate with Saddam. Baker says he will tell Saddam to pull his troops from Kuwait or ''risk disaster.''

Armed U-S soldiers, called in at the request of the Panamanian government, have put down a brief takeover of Panama's police headquarters. Local reports indicate the troops captured a group of Panamanan police officers led by a former police chief as they tried to leave the building near the presidential palace. The rebel officers were demanding a number of reforms for Panama's police force, which was rebuilt with former members of General Manuel Noriega's army.

Defense Secretary Cheney, in Poland for meetings with top leaders, has praised the Solidarity movement for helping to lower the danger of confrontation between east and west. His visit is the first by a U-S defense secretary to Poland. It comes prior to a NATO meeting in Belgium. Cheney talked of the Mideast crisis, calling it the most important problem now facing the United States. And he refused to confirm reports that Washington may be ready to make an arms deal with Poland, the first ever with a Warsaw Pact country.

The Federal Reserve's latest periodic snapshot of the U-S economy is showing an overall ''weaker pattern.'' The Fed says it has documented declines in consumer confidence, retail sales and in demands for business loans. But it also noted that the soft domestic economy is offset in part by strong export

orders. And it found another bright spot was found in agriculture, which has been boosted by strong crop yields and high livestock prices.

For a few frightening moments today, rescue teams at Detroit Metropolitan Airport feared they had a second disaster on their hands. Fire broke out on the wing of a Northwest Airlines jet with 69 people aboard... but a ground worker grabbed an extinguisher and put out the fire quickly. NO one was hurt. Two days ago, two Northwest planes collided on a Detroit runway, killing eight people.

A 35-year-old homeless geology graduate of Western Michigan University who family members said had NOT held a job for several years froze to death earlier this week in a Royal Oak, Michigan, cemetery. Steven Silver died in a hospital seven hours after being found unconscious under a thin blanket of snow at Oakview Cemetery.

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BOSTON (DEC. 5) UPI - A deadly epidemic apparently has emerged of teenagers sniffing butane, propane and other substances to get high, health care workers reported Wednesday.

The practice has claimed the lives of at least 20 youngsters in the Cincinnati area alone, including two earlier this year involving boys ages 11 and 15, said Earl Siegel of Children's Hospital Medical Center in Cincinnati.

Research ''leads us to believe that abuse of these readily available inhalants has reached epidemic proportions, indicating an urgent need for preventive efforts directed at teenagers and their parents,'' Siegel and colleague Dr. Suman Wason said in a letter to The New England Journal of Medicine.

The dimensions of the problem nationwide are not known because no central reporting system exists to document cases of deaths or injury from inhalant abuse, he said. But Siegel said his experience in Cincinnati indicates that known deaths across the country ''are just the very tip of the iceberg.''

Charles Sharp of the National Institute of Drug Abuse said that in Great Britain, where researchers have tried to systematically track sudden sniffing deaths ''they record well over 100 a year.

''There's no way we've been able to track it, although we know of a number of deaths,'' he said, adding the scope of the practice appears to vary by region. ''In some regions, no one's heard of it and in others, they've run into big problems. But certainly, communities need to be alerted to the situation,'' he said.

Inhaling the fuels butane and propane, as well as gasoline, certain solvents

and other substances, can cause a phenomenon called ''sudden sniffing death,'' in which the heart starts beating with wild irregularity, causing death within minutes, Siegel said.

Among a long list of substances teenagers and pre-teens have been inhaling to get high is typewriter correction fluid containing the solvents trichloroethane and trichloroethylene.

Gillette Co. of Boston, which makes one brand of the product, became so concerned about the practice it added mustard oil to the fluid as a deterrent.

''We put in the mustard oil to create a more disagreeable smell,'' said Gillette spokeswoman Joan Fitzgerald. But while this might turn away a first-time user, ''for a chronic abuser you really have to educate them about what a very, very dangerous activity this is.''

Gillette participated in the creation of the Washington-based Solvent Abuse Foundation for Education - or SAFE - which has as its goal education of parents and children about the hazards of solvent sniffing, Fitzgerald said.

Susan Reading, who leads the group Parents for Education on Inhalant Abuse in Cincinnati, said talking with schoolchildren in that city and its suburbs indicates inhalation of solvents and fuel is widespread and extends to children as young as the third-grade level.

''I go to schools and talk to kids and they say they see it in every school,'' she said. ''The kids know these inhalants are cheap and easily available and they say it's the best high they've ever had.

''One boy told me he was inhaling between eight and 10 cans of butane every day. Another boy told me that he could go out to my car and just by sniffing, tell how much octane the gasoline had. That's how much gasoline sniffing he'd done,'' Reading said.

In March of this year, an 11-year-old boy collapsed in a Cincinnati movie theater after apparently inhaling butane, Siegel said. A container of butane cigarette-lighter fuel was found at the scene along with a plastic bag and several bottles of typewriter correction fluid, he said.

The boy was pronounced dead shortly after he arrived at a nearby hospital. Laboratory tests detected butane in his blood and lung tissue.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 5) UPI - Widespread selling tied to profit-taking and liquidation pressured the grain market Wednesday.

Grain and soybean futures were mostly lower at the close on the Chicago Board of Trade in relatively quiet activity.

The lack of export credit guarantees to the Soviet Union continued to pressure the entire floor. Senator Robert Dole said he was hopeful President Bush would announce the credits before the end of the week. Late in the day, the Agriculture Department said the matter was still under review.

Liquidation and profit-taking in soybeans was linked to indications of an increase in farmer selling and heavy deliveries of December soybean meal.

Corn futures were mostly lower and were at or near session lows at the final bell. Light buying interest and the lack of export business weighed on corn values.

Trading in wheat was choppy and closing prices were lower. A midmorning rally fizzled at the day's highs, although losses were limited by news that a number of countries were in the market for wheat.

At the close, corn was off 1 1/4 to up 1/4, soybeans down 2 1/2 to 9 1/2, wheat unchanged to down 1 3/4 and oats off 1 1/2 to 2 1/4.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 5) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.43	2.45 1/2	2.42 3/4	2.43 1/2	2.44 3/4
Mar	2.61 1/2	2.62 1/4	2.59	2.59 3/4	2.61 1/2
May	2.68	2.69 3/4	2.67 1/4	2.68 1/4	2.68 3/4
Jly	2.74 1/2	2.75 1/4	2.73	2.73 3/4	2.74 1/4
Sep	2.80	2.80 1/2	2.79 1/2	2.79 1/2	2.79 1/2
Dec	2.91	2.91 1/2	2.90	2.91	2.91
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.27 1/2	2.27 3/4	2.26 1/2	2.27	2.28 1/4
Mar	2.37 1/4	2.37 3/4	2.36 1/4	2.36 3/4	2.37 3/4
May	2.43 3/4	2.44 1/2	2.43 1/4	2.44	2.44 3/4
Jly	2.49 3/4	2.50 1/4	2.48 1/2	2.50	2.50 1/4
Sep	2.50	2.50 3/4	2.49	2.50 1/2	2.50 1/4
Dec	2.49 1/2	2.50 1/4	2.49 1/4	2.50	2.50 1/4
Mar	2.56	2.57 1/4	2.56	2.56 3/4	2.57
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					

Dec	1.10	1.10 3/4	1.09 3/4	1.10	1.11 1/2
Mar	1.21	1.21 3/4	1.19 1/2	1.19 3/4	1.22
May	1.26	1.26 3/4	1.24 1/2	1.25	1.26 3/4
Jly	1.31 3/4	1.32 1/2	1.30 1/4	1.30 1/2	1.33
Sep	1.36 1/2	1.36 1/2	1.36	1.36	1.37 1/2
Dec	....	....	....	1.45	1.46 1/2

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Jan	6.01 1/2	6.01 1/2	5.91 1/2	5.92 1/2	6.01 1/4
Mar	6.16 1/2	6.16 1/2	6.06	6.06 3/4	6.16 1/4
May	6.29 1/2	6.29 1/2	6.20 1/2	6.21 1/4	6.29 1/2
Jly	6.41	6.41	6.31 1/4	6.32 3/4	6.40 3/4
Aug	6.40 1/2	6.40 1/2	6.34 1/2	6.34 3/4	6.40
Sep	6.28	6.30	6.24 1/2	6.25	6.29 3/4
Nov	6.26 1/2	6.27	6.21 1/2	6.22 1/4	6.27 1/4
Jan	6.37	6.38	6.35	6.35	6.37 1/2
Mar	6.50	6.50	6.47	6.47	6.49 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	21.45	21.60	21.33	21.43	21.57
Jan	21.70	21.85	21.53	21.62	21.77
Mar	21.96	22.14	21.83	21.97	22.06
May	22.30	22.38	22.13	22.28	22.33
Jul	22.45	22.65	22.38	22.45	22.49
Aug	22.45	22.50	22.35	22.35	22.35
Sep	22.40	22.40	22.35	22.40	22.32
Oct	22.35	22.35	22.30	22.30	22.30
Dec	22.35	22.35	22.25	22.30	22.22
Jan	22.25	22.30	....	22.27	22.20

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	177.00	177.00	173.90	174.30	177.50
Jan	178.80	178.80	176.20	176.60	179.60
Mar	183.70	183.80	181.30	181.60	184.60
May	187.00	187.30	184.60	184.70	187.90
Jul	190.20	190.50	187.30	187.50	190.70
Aug	190.00	190.30	188.00	188.20	191.90
Sep	189.00	189.00	187.00	187.20	190.50
Oct	187.50	187.50	185.50	186.00	187.00
Dec	189.00	189.00	187.00	188.50	189.80
Jan	186.50	187.50	....	187.00	188.50

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VANCOUVER, British Columbia (DEC. 5) UPI - In an effort to cut costs and operate a balanced budget next year, the Vancouver Stock Exchange has cut its staff by 15 percent, a spokesman said Wednesday.

Twenty-five employees were let go immediately after Tuesday's staff meeting held to explain the cuts, VSE spokesman Dave Laundy said. Another 23 positions have been eliminated through attrition over the past several months.

Laundy said staff, program and internal department cost cutting measures announced Tuesday are the result of falling revenues and low market activity at Canada's venture exchange.

The exchange's staff, which began the current fiscal year in April at 343, now numbers 295. No additional cuts are expected unless market conditions further worsen, Laundy said.

The layoffs are expected to help limit losses at the VSE to $850,000 in 1989-1990 and reduce costs in 1991-1992 by another $850,000, Laundy said. He added that the changes will allow the VSE to enter next year with revenues and expenses balanced.

Laundy said costs in the current fiscal year have been limited to a 4.06 percent rise.

Revenues at the exchange - garnered from listing, trading, clearing and settling and brokerage accounting fees - have fallen, Laundy said, due to a drop in market activity.

Trading value at the VSE is now running at about $15 million a day, Laundy said, half of level it was at earlier this year. The VSE had hit record trading levels earlier this year as a result of the battle for control over the Eskay Creek gold property in British Columbia.

From April 1 to Oct. 31, the VSE reported 3.6 billion shares traded with a total value of $3.15 billion. Trading volume in October was down 7 percent from September and off 18 percent from a year earlier.

Of the 2,356 issues on the VSE at the end of October, 598 posted new lows and only 48 posted new highs.

Trading volume at the VSE represents 31 percent of trading on all Canadian exchanges but only 4 percent of the total value.

The VSE, which was the target of a critical news report by ABC's PrimeTime Live show, will hold a meeting with its 46 member brokerage firms to deal with the exchange's negative image.

VSE Chairman Marty Reynolds called next week's meeting to talk about the exchange's ''persistent reputation problems'', Laundy said.

''One thing that we suffer from is that every problem in the market place is

blamed on the VSE,'' Laundy said.

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BUENOS AIRES (DEC. 5) UPI - President Bush gave Argentine President Carlos Menem unequivocal support Wednesday in his recent showdown with military rebels, and in return received solid backing from the Argentine leader for his ''no concessions'' stand against Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

In a speech to a joint session of Argentina's Congress, Bush said that some persons speculated last Monday, when President Menem battled a military uprising, that he may ''cancel my trip to Argentina.''

''On the contrary, it (the rebellion) only strengthened my resolve to stand shoulder to shoulder with President Menem and Argentine democracy," Bush said.

Menem crushed the 18-hour rebellion, led by fanatical nationalist officers who temporarily captured the downtown army headquarters and other strategic installations, just two days before Bush's arrival.

Bush's appearance before Congress was slighly disrupted at the onset by a brawl when a left-wing congressman, Luis Zamora, nine times loudly asked Vice President Eduardo Duhalde, the presiding officer over the joint session, for permission to take the floor and give his own speech, which was denied.

Two other congressmen then forcibly ousted the yelling Zamora from the floor. Witnesses said Zamora and congressman Alberto Albamonte, of a conservative party, then fought with their fists outside the chamber.

Bush, smiling and apparently unperturbed by the incident, told congressmen in improvised remarks at the beginning of his speech, ''Don't worry. I feel at home here.''

''Every once in a while you hear an echo from the decling past of Marxism, and if listening to that past is the price we pay for democracy, let's pay that price,'' Bush said.

"The day of the dictator is over,'' Bush said, describing Argentina as a leader in the return to democracy in several Latin American nations in the 1980s.

Argentina was under military rule from 1976 to 1983, when elected President Raul Alfonsin took office. Menem succeeded Alfonsin on July 8 of last year.

Bush is visiting Argentina and four other South American countries to celebrate the return of democracy to the region and tout his ideas on the creation of a Western Hemisphere free trade zone.

In a news conference before his speech to Congress, Bush said he was ''not optimistic'' about chances of achieving a voluntary withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

''I have no feeling whatsoever that Saddam Hussein will do now what he has not done five months ago,'' Bush said in answer to a question as to whether he felt Iraq was ''softening'' its position and seeking a face-saving compromise that will enable it to retreat from Kuwait.

Appearing jointly with Argentina's President Carlos Menem at a news conference in the government palace, Bush said that after meeting with his Argentine counterpart he was ''more convinced than ever'' that the United States will insist on full compliance of U.N. resolutions, without concessions.

''When there is naked aggression, it is not a question of saving face for the aggressor,'' Bush said.

''I am not optimistic,'' he said.

President Menem was ''in full agreement'' with him on this stand, and the Argentine leader, who only two days ago defeated a military rebellion by using artillery and air strikes against the rebels, standing by Bush, told reporters he is ''in full agreement to what was expressed by the president of the United States.''

Asked what his position would be if Iraq Presidient Saddam Hussein offers to leave Kuwait in exchange for an Iraqi oil field, Bush answered crisply, ''The answer is no, thank you very much.''

As he has done in the past, Bush accused Iraq of ''rape and pillage'' in invading Kuwait and stated repeatedly, "They must withdraw without conditions."

Menem reminded reporters at the news conference that Argentina was the only Latin American nation to send warships to help enforce the U.N. sanctions against Iraq.

After the news conference, thousands of persons lined Avenida de Mayo, the avenue that connects the presidential palace to the Capitol a mile away, to cheer Menem and Bush in a motorcade led by 300 blue-uniformed soldiers on horseback.

The spectators yelled ''Argentina! Argentina!'' and threw confetti.

Banners in Spanish and English said ''welcome President Bush,'' who is the first U.S. head of state to visit Argentina since President Eisenhower's visit to President Arturo Frondizi in 1960.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Gold futures closed Wednesday 460 to 480 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	379.80	380.50	372.00	374.20	378.90
Jan	374.90	....	....	374.90	379.60
Feb	381.00	381.80	374.10	375.80	380.50
Apr	383.80	384.80	377.50	378.80	383.50
Jun	386.70	387.80	380.00	381.90	386.60
Aug	389.90	389.90	385.00	385.00	389.60
Oct	388.10	....	....	388.10	392.80
Dec	396.30	396.30	391.30	391.30	396.10
Feb	394.60	....	....	394.60	399.40
Apr	402.00	402.00	397.70	397.70	402.50
Jun	401.10	....	....	401.10	405.90
Aug	404.70	....	....	404.70	409.50

Open interest: 107,410 off 852.

Estimated sales: 40,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 14 to 17 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.68	9.92	9.68	9.87	9.71
May	9.77	9.96	9.76	9.93	9.79
Jly	9.82	10.01	9.82	9.99	9.82
Oct	9.83	9.98	9.80	9.98	9.83
Mar	10.07	10.07	10.08	10.07	9.92

Estimated sales: 11,741 contracts

Open interest: 108,502 up 850

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.91

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 2 points higher to 5 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	22.60	22.69	22.60	22.69	22.74
Mar	22.64	22.70	22.64	22.64	22.66
May	22.80	22.80	22.77	22.77	22.81

Jly	22.80	22.83	22.80	22.81	22.83
Sep	22.80	22.81	22.80	22.79	22.79
Nov	22.82	22.82	22.82	22.80	22.84
Jan	....	....	....	22.95	22.93

Estimated sales: 1,327 contracts
Open interest: 12,702 off 751

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DETROIT (DEC. 5) UPI - A Washington consumer group Wednesday urged Chrysler Corp. to recall about 500,000 1989- and early 1990-model vehicles equipped with Ultradrive transmissions, saying the units are plagued with potentially dangerous defects.

In a six-page letter to Chrysler Chairman Lee Iacocca, Clarence Ditlow, executive director of the Center for Auto Safety (CAS), also urged Chrysler to warrant Ultradrive transmissions for life and waive all owner-paid deductible fees beyond the first year or 12,000 miles.

Through November, the CAS said it and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration had 165 owner complaints on file, and that NHTSA has received more transmission complaints concerning Chrysler vehicles than any other manufacturer.

Ultradrive, Chrysler's first four-speed automatic electronic transmission, was introduced in late 1988 for its front-drive cars, where they are more precisely known as tranaxles.

Chrysler has billed them as "the world's most advanced transmission." Since then, however, Chrysler has had to repair or replace early units troubled by internal leaks.

It also ordered a "customer satisfaction" recall last winter to about 50,000 owners in cold weather regions because of problems with the transaxle fluid thickening at very low temperatures.

"Ultradrive's dismal showing in its first two years on the road earns it the dubious distinction of the world's most defective transmission," the CAS told Iacocca.

Chrysler, however, called Ditlow's charges "grossly exaggerated," adding that "his allegations regarding safety hazards in connection with this transmission are totally irresponsible."

Although the saftey group said there have been no injuries related to Ultradrive failures, it said "it is only a matter of time before an Ultradrive failure causes a serious, perhaps lethal, accident."

The safety group said most owner complaints have to do with the transaxle locking in second gear, often at random and without warning. But Chris Theodore, executive engineer - Powertrain Engineering for Chrysler, said Ultradrive transaxles are programmed to shift into second gear if it detects a potential problem with the unit so more damage is not done.

Ditlow also said many owners have experienced multiple transaxle failures and lengthy repair times. "The letters consumers have written point to an alarming pattern of repeated Ultradrive failures," he said, noting that "most consumers have experienced transmission failure at exceptionally low mileage, often within the first few months of ownership.

"Chrysler has already spent over $250 million on these fixes, and as long as the company continues to repair defective Ultradrives on a case-by-case basis only, the expense will continue to grow in the years to come," Ditlow wrote. Chrysler has issued its dealers over a dozen Technical Service Bulletins dealing with the diagnose and repair of failed Ultradrive units.

The CAS said some of those builletins point to the transaxle's defective design, while Theodore said many of those bulletins are tips or updates focused on improving customer satisfation.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - Iraq has formally accepted a proposal by President Bush to hold top-level talks as an opportunity to end the Persian Gulf crisis without armed conflict, the State Department said Wednesday.

Joseph Wilson, U.S. acting ambassador in Baghdad, was told that Iraq had accepted the proposal for meetings between Bush and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Washington and Secretary of States James Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad, the State Department said.

Under the proposal unveiled on Nov. 30, Aziz and Bush would meet sometime after Dec. 15 while Baker and Saddam would talk sometime before Jan. 15, the U.N.-imposed deadline for Iraqi troops to withdraw from Kuwait.

The State Department said that discussions between the two countries are continuing on the dates and arrangements for the meetings, which will not involve representatives from any other nations.

In testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on Wednesday, Baker refused to disclose what he will say to Saddam, but he made it clear that he will not negotiate or ''walk back from the U.N. Security Council resolutions.''

Baker said he will insist that Iraq observe the U.N. resolutions, which demand

the complete and unconditional withdrawl of Iraqi troops, the release of all foreign hostages and the restoration of the exiled Kuwaiti government.

In Buenos Aires, Bush said he was ''not optimistic'' about chances for a withdrawal of occupation forces from the oil kingdom.

''I have no feeling whatsoever that Saddam Hussein will do now what he has not done five months ago,'' Bush said in answer to a question as to whether he felt Iraq was ''softening'' its position and seeking a face-saving compromise that will enable it to retreat from Kuwait.

Iraq has indirectly sought to link its exit from Kuwait to the withdrawl of Israel from the West Bank and Gaza Strip, a formula rejected by the White House.

Bush said on Wednesday that when he meets with Aziz, ''I want to make clear to him the best thing is to go through with the U.N. resolutions.''

The president has indicated that there would be no negotiated settlement that shortchanges demands for total withdrawl, saying he hopes Saddam ''gets the message'' about last week's U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force to bounce Iraq from Kuwait if troops are not out by the mid-January deadline.

Bush recently ordered 200,000 additional American troops to the gulf to bolster the U.S.-led multinational force assembled in the region against Iraq.

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#90339u1343 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 5) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev ordered a vigorous campaign Wednesday against pornography, erotic videos and smut to ''safeguard public morals.''

Gorbachev's latest presidential decree attacked the rise in erotica now increasingly available on late-night television and in publications no longer subject to censorship.

''Taking into consideration the anxiety of the Soviet people about the spread of different kinds of pornography, pseudo-medical literature, erotic videos and the like ... urgent measures should be worked out to safeguard public morals,'' the decree said.

On Tuesday, Gorbachev expressed his horror at the Supreme Soviet on what was now on television.

''A couple of days ago, I saw on television a certain professor citing Chinese art to illustrate interesting sexual positions,'' Gorbachev said. ''This came as a great shock to our public.

''People are asking does the government have any power at all,'' he said.

Video parlors have mushroomed in the more permissive atmosphere of Gorbachev's perestroika period. Sex newspapers can be openly purchased near Moscow's Pushkin Square and girlie calendars are peddled at subway station entrances.

Gorbachev's anti-smut measure set up a commission headed by Culture Minister Nikolai Gubenko to study the experience of other nations in battling the porno-business.

While a brisk trade in all videos goes on in Moscow and other capitals, porno films are said to bring some of the highest prices.

In what appears a headlong rush to catch up with the rest of the world after decades of official prudery, the Soviet Union is undergoing a belated sexual revolution.

Only last year, the famous Marilyn Monroe calendar was published in a movie magazine, and other publications have written profiles of her great rival of the 1950s, Kim Novak.

At Moscow's rail stations, books about birth control and sexual manuals are snapped up by passengers waiting for trains despite the high prices charged by cooperatives selling the literature.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 5) UPI - Miami defensive tackle Russell Maryland, expected to be one of the top five NFL draft choices next spring, Wednesday was named the winner of the 45th Outland Trophy.

Maryland outdistanced Colorado offensive guard Joe Garten and Clemson offensive tackle Stacy Long in the Football Writers Association of America balloting for the nation's top college lineman.

The fifth-year 275-pound senior has been a mainstay of the Hurricanes' defense for four seasons. Miami, which plays Texas Jan. 1 in the Cotton Bowl, is 9-2 this season and 43-4 during Maryland's stay.

''This is something I haven't realized just yet,'' Maryland said after being presented the award at a ceremony at the Downtown Athletic Club. ''I'll sit back tonight and really think about it - and in the years to come.''

Garten, a 280-pounder, anchored a Colorado offensive line that blocked for star running back Eric Bienemy. The senior is the Buffaloes' first four-year starter and will play against Notre Dame in the New Year's Day Orange Bowl.

Long, also a senior, came back from arthroscopic knee surgery in September to lead a Clemson running attack that averaged 255 yards per game. The 275-pounder will conclude his career when Clemson plays Illinois in the Jan. 1 Hall of Fame Bowl.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

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NYSE Stocks - Higher in active trading.

Bonds - Mostly higher.

American Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed slightly higher in sluggish trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1 1/4 to up 1/4, soybeans down 2 1/2 to 9 1/2, wheat unchanged to down 1 3/4 and oats off 1 1/2 to 2 1/4.

Cattle Trade - Steady; top $80.50.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - The government Wednesday dropped a ban on blood donations from Haitians and people from other areas where AIDS is common, but announced other measures to protect the U.S. blood supply from infectious diseases.

The Food and Drug Administration said it began notifiying blood donation centers that a new collection system ''will be implemented over the next few months to increase the safety of the nation's blood supply.''

The changes ''eliminate the need for excluding certain donor populations based solely on their geographical or national origins,'' the FDA said.

''The strengthened program will enhance, rather than replace, the current procedures used to safeguard the blood supply,'' Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan said.

''By shifting the focus of screening procedures to cover a broader range of risk factors, FDA will build upon the safety of the blood supply while providing all healthy and willing individuals the opportunity to donate blood '' he said.

An FDA advisory panel in April urged the agency to abandon a policy of barring people from Haiti and other specific geographic areas from donating blood. The ban had sparked protests by Haitians, who said the policy was discriminatory.

Instead, the advisory board urged the agency to take other steps to reduce the chances that someone infected with the AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, will donate blood.

The International Alliance for Haiti praised Wednesday's announcement, calling it ''welcome news to the Haitian community'' in a statement.

About 8 million people donate blood each year in the United States and about 4 million receive transfusions. Although all blood donors are tested for the AIDS virus and rejected if they test positively, health officials discourage anyone at risk for being infected with the virus from donating because a small percentage of people slip through the tests.

Dr. Gerald Sandler of the American Red Cross, which collects half of all blood donations, said the number of AIDS cases blamed on blood transfusions has dropped significantly and the new guidelines should continue that trend.

Under the new program, all blood donors will continue to be tested for the AIDS virus and other blood-borne infectious agents.

In addition to the current practice of giving donors a written explanation of factors that put them at high risk for being infected, the new guidelines call for each donor to be interviewed face-to-face.

''Donors should not be considered suitable unless information about these risks is available in the language appropriate to each donor and is constructed to be culturally sensitive to promote comprehension,'' the FDA said.

But the focus of these risk factors ''should be on behavior and not on stereotypes,'' the FDA said. For example, ''many men who have had male-to-male sexual experiences do not identify themselves as 'homosexual,' 'gay' or 'bisexual,''' the FDA said.

Potential donors should also be questioned about whether they have had

syphilis or gonorrhea in the past 12 months, and those who have had such sexually transmitted diseases should not donate blood for at least a year after their diagnosis.

In addition, anyone who has received a blood transfusion or other blood product within the past year should not donate. Currently, such people are barred from donating for six months.

The new guidelines also bar anyone who has ''exchanged money or drugs for sex'' from donating for at least 12 months, up from the current guidelines of six months.

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#90339u1372 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

TEGUCIGALPA, HONDURAS (DEC. 5) UPI - The Honduran government will pass a decree to grant general amnesty to all political prisoners even though it has denied having any, a court offcial said Wednesday.

The amnesty decree will be made to ''promote the credibility of the Honduran government with respect to human rights,'' said Rigoberto Espinal Irias, a magistrate of the Supreme Court of Justice.

Espinal said the action - which some hope will be carried out before Christmas - would comply with recommendations for acquiring peace in Central America.

President Rafael Leonardo Callejas has repeatedly denied reports that Honduras has political prisoners.

Anibal Puerto, vice president of the Honduran Human Rights Committee, said a French citizen, a Salvadoran and seven Hondurans accused of subversion are considered political prisoners by her organization.

Puerto said the committee also has classified as political prisoners more than 20 farmers convicted of terrorism for settling land.

She said a number of Hondurans have fled to Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Mexico and Europe to escape political persecution.

''We are satisfied that the government has finally recognized that there are political prisoners in the country,'' Puerto said.

The committee hopes the National Congress will approve the decree before Christmas.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (DEC. 5) UPI - NASA released a new space shuttle launch schedule Wednesday calling for seven missions in 1991 and eight in 1992, including a daring satellite rescue mission by the new shuttle Endeavour.

Other highlights of the 1991 shuttle manifest include two declassified Department of Defense missions, launch of an atmospheric research satellite and the Gamma Ray Observatory, along with a Spacelab mission to study how weightlessness affects human physiology.

Overall, 58 shuttle missions or payloads are listed though 1996, the majority of which are devoted to space science and applications. Only three Department of Defense missions are listed, including the previously classified August 1991 launch of a Defense Support Program missile early-warning satellite.

NASA's new manifest does not list launch days, only the month or quarter currently planned for a given mission. Here is a schedule of 1991 shuttle missions with unofficial planning dates in parentheses:

-March 1991 (Feb. 26): Shuttle Discovery. Payload: A variety of Air Force experiments to learn more about detection of rocket exhaust plumes from space. Crew: Commander Michael Coats, co-pilot Blaine Hammond, Guion Bluford, Gregory Harbaugh, Richard Hieb, Donald McMonagle and Charles Lacy Veach. Mission duration: Eight days.

-April 1991 (March 27): Shuttle Atlantis. Payload: The Gamma Ray Observatory astronomy satellite. Crew: Commander Steven Nagel, co-pilot Kenneth Cameron, Jerome Apt, Linda Godwin and Jerry Ross. Flight duration: Five days.

-May 1991 (May 6): Shuttle Columbia. Payload: Spacelab life sciences mission. Crew: Commander Bryan O'Connor, co-pilot Sidney Gutierrez, James Bagian, Tamara Jernigan, Rhea Seddon, Drew Gaffney and civilian researcher Millie Hughes-Fulford. Flight duration: Nine days.

-July 1991 (June 24): Shuttle Discovery. Payload: A NASA Tracking and Data Relay communications satellite. Crew: Commander John Blaha, co-pilot Michael Baker, James Adamson, G. David Low and Shannon Lucid. Flight duration: Nine days.

-August 1991 (Aug. 2): Shuttle Atlantis. Payload: Defense Support Program early-warning satellite. Crew: Commander Frederick Gregory, co- pilot Terence Henricks, Story Musgrave, Mario Runco, James Voss and a sixth crew member yet to be named. Flight duration: 10 days.

-November 1991 (Oct. 17): Shuttle Discovery. Payload: Upper Atmosphere Research Satellite. Crew: Five, to be named later. Flight duration: Five days.

-December 1991 (Nov. 25): Shuttle Atlantis. Payload: A materials science Spacelab mission. Crew: Commander Ronald Grabe, co-pilot Stephen Oswald,

Norman Thagard, Manley Carter, William Readdy and civilian researchers Roberta Bondar and Ulf Merbold of Germany. Flight duration: Seven days.

The 1992 flight schedule is highlighted by the maiden flight of the shuttle Endeavour, built to replace Challenger after the 1986 shuttle disaster.

Endeavour currently is scheduled to be delivered to the Kennedy Space Center from builder Rockwell International on May 7, 1991, for a maiden voyage in late April or early May 1992.

The goal of the flight is to rendezvous with an Intelsat communications satellite that was stranded in a useless orbit in March. During the first of three planned spacewalks, two of Endeavour's crew members plan to bolt a new rocket motor to the satellite to boost it up to its planned orbit.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - The Federal Trade Commission said Wednesday that it cleared two major investors in R.H. Macy & Co. of antitrust concerns following their intention to increase equity stakes in the retailer.

Loews Corp. and Mutual Series Fund are contributing to a previously announced equity infusion of $100 million and needed FTC approval for investors intending to acquire at least 15 percent of a company's outstanding shares or stock or assets of at least $15 million. A spokeswoman for Macy's declined to put a value on the investors' contributions.

The remainder of the $100 million will be contributed by GE Capital and Taubman Investment Co., Macy's two biggest investors, or their affiliates.

Analysts said the announcement was a positive sign for Macy's, which has been the subject of recent speculation that it would go out of business.

A spokeswoman for Standard & Poor's Corp. said the move was a positive one but would not be sufficient at this stage to remove a CreditWatch rating with negative implications which the credit-rating agency placed on about $2.5 billion of Macy's subordinated debt in late November.

''This is a positive development for Macy's but not a decisive development as far as the (CreditWatch) rating is concerned,'' said Joanne Legomsky, for S&P's.

The FTC said Loews Corp. and Mutual Series Fund were granted early termination Dec. 4 of a waiting period required by the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act. The FTC said it frequently grants early termination of the waiting period.

The federal agency noted that the two parties were ''among Macy's largest

shareholders who have committed to making additional equity invesments in the company.''

Kurt Barnard, publisher of Retail Marketing Report, an industry newsletter, said the cash infusion was ''a vote of confidence and a testimonial for Macy's ability to weather the storm.''

Barnard rejected as ''idle speculation'' talk that Macy's, which lost $66 million in the last quarter, may be going out of business.

He said the two principal investors, GE Capital Corp. and Taubman Investment Corp. with 24.6 percent and 14.8 percent of convertible preferred stock respectively ''have more to lose by letting Macy's go bankrupt than by keeping Macy's afloat.''

He added that Macy's vendors will continue to support Macy's as a vital outlet for their merchandise. ''The vendor community in the U.S. cannot afford to lose Macy's,'' Barnard said.

''Macy's just lost $66 million but it is paying its bills. It may be difficult for them to do it but they are.''

Standard & Poor's Corp. earlier said that it expected Macy's to continue to have a heavy debt service burden despite the $100 million from equity partners another $50 million from a rights offering, and a further $100 million from the planned sale of Macy Credit Corp.

S&P's also placed debt ratings of Macy Credit Corp. and R.H Macy Overseas Finance N.V. on CreditWatch, positive, as a result of their planned sale to General Electric Capital Corp.

When announcing the equity offering in November, Macy's said the offering was intended to purchase its subordinated debt in the open market.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 5) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.29 3/4-2.35 1/2 off 1 3/4 to 1 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.83 1/2- 5.88 1/2 off 8 3/4 to 9 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.23 3/4-2.28 3/4 off 1.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.34-2.38 3/4 off 1 1/4 to 1.

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PARIS (DEC. 5) UPI - Increased production from Saudi Arabia and Iran boosted world oil supplies in November to their highest level since May, the International Energy Agency said in a cautiously optimistic report released Wednesday.

Output from the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries cartel jumped from 22.3 million barrels a day in October to 22.9 million barrels a day in November, mostly because of increased output by Saudi Arabia and Iran, the agency said in its monthly report.

The extra output makes up in large part for reduced supplies because of the U.N. embargo of exports from Iraq and Kuwait after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

IEA monitors world oil output and demand for the 21 largest industrialized oil-consuming nations making up the Organization for Economic Development and Cooperation.

The agency said Saudi production exceeded 8 million barrels a day in November though tanker movements suggest a slightly lower export figure of 7.9 million barrels daily.

''Saudi Arabia's main Gulf export terminals at Ras Tanura and Juaymah are reported to be running close to full capacity,'' said the report.

Daily Iranian crude oil exports rose from 2.1 million barrels in October to 2.5 million barrels in November, implying an overall daily production level of slightly more than 3.3 million barrels, the report said.

The monthly oil report by the Paris-based agency also predicted that oil consumption of the OECD member nations will fall over the last quarter of 1990 and early 1991 compared with the same period a year ago.

''In the fourth quarter of 1990, OECD oil consumption is projected to decline by 0.8 million barrels daily, or 2 percent, from the fourth quarter of 1989 to 38.5 million barrels daily,'' it said.

The prediction was based on extrapolating the likely effects of increased oil prices and slowed economic growth in industrialized nations.

IEA members are scheduled to meet in Paris Monday. The report of adequate supplies means urgent measures such as drawing on national strategic stockpiles of oil will not have to be resorted to for the moment at least, oil industry sources said.

Members have met several times since the Iraqi invasion and each time rejected the use of the stockpiles, reasoning that commercial supplies were adequate to meet the crisis.

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(DEC. 5) UPI - Secretary of State Baker says that when he meets the Iraqi president in Baghdad, it will be to tell Saddam Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait and NOT to negotiate with him. Baker told a Senate panel today that he will NOT link any Iraqi withdrawal to either the civil war in Lebanon or the Palestinian problem. Baker says Saddam did NOT invade Kuwait to help the Palestinians... and the question of their homeland will NOt be an issue.

Operation Desert Shield is into its fourth month, and soldiers deployed in the Saudi desert say they've gotten used to just about everything... except the lack of cold beer. Alcohol is forbidden by the Koran, Islam's holy book and is NOT allowed in conservative Saudi Arabia. So the troops are treated to NON-alcoholic beer. Sergeant Dan Moody of Glenville, Georgia, says it's a long way from real beer, ''but it gets by.''

Computer security has NOT kept step with major advances within the computer industry and the results leave the country at grave risk. Those are the conclusions drawn in a report issued by a committee of the National Research Council. It warns that NO existing organization, either public or private, is up to tackling the problem. The 16-member panel says that unless computer security is tightened, what it calls the nation's ''luck'' in avoiding a major disaster may soon run out.

In related news, a newspaper in Texas says thieves used computers to obtain Millions of dollars in free telephone service through Johnson Space Center. One computer crime expert calls it the biggest such theft in the nation. Telephone service was stolen by using a long-distance credit card number and by direct use of NASA's phone lines. The credit card fraud was discovered by A-T-and-T when use of the card's number exceeded typical patterns.

Police in Prince George's County, Maryland, say a 24-year-old man is in custody, charged with first degree murder in the fatal shooting of James Bias, the younger brother of the late basketball star Len Bias. The suspect turned himself in last night, about eight hours after Bias was shot in a parking lot following an argument about a woman in a jewelry store. Authorities are looking for a second suspect. Bias was 16 when his brother Len died of cocaine ingestion in 1986 three days after being drafted by the Boston Celtics.

The American Psychological Association says women are twice as likely as men to develop depression and it says that may be because women are more likely to suffer sexual and physical abuse. The report by the 20- member Task Force on

Women and Depression found at least seven-Million women have been diagnosed as suffering from depression. But the number could be twice as high because as many as half of all cases may never be diagnosed in the first place. The report calls for improvements in both diagnosis and treatment of depression.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Jurors in their sixth day of deliberations at the Central Park rape trial sent mixed signals Wednesday, asking about robbery charges involving a male jogger and then backtracking to the attack on a female jogger.

The five-man, seven-woman jury asked for the legal definition of robbery and assault. The charges relate to an attack on a male jogger, John Loughlin, 42, who was among nine victims of a roving crime spree in Central Park on April 19 1989.

Kevin Richardson, 16, and Kharey Wise, 18, are on trial on 13 charges stemming from the violence. They are accused of being part of a pack of 30 youths that roamed the park, randoming robbing and beating joggers and bicyclists.

The most seriously injured victim was a 30-year-old investment banker who was gang raped, beaten into a coma and left for dead in a muddy gully.

The note asking for guidance on the robbery charges indicated the panel had moved beyond the charges related to the female jogger: rape and attempted murder.

However, the jury then appeared to be backtracking. It soon sent out another note asking to again watch Richardson's videotaped confession, particularly the section in which he admits getting scratched by the woman.

It is the fourth time since the start of deliberations that the jury has watched the videotape.

Richardson claims he was trying to stop the attack when the woman scratched him.

One question looming in the halls of state Supreme Court in Manhattan is whether the jury has even begun to consider the case against Wise.

In its flurry of more than 20 notes during deliberations, the panel has not once asked a question about Wise.

Meanwhile, Richardson, who is free on $25,000 bail, and his supporters mill about the courthouse, writing Christmas cards and playing cards.

Wise has been held at Rikers Island on $50,000 bail since his arrest days after the attack.

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#90339u1442 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 5) UPI - The administration publicly scrapped its policy of relying on economic sanctions against Iraq Wednesday as too little and too slow, triggering what could be an extended debate in Congress over war and peace.

As Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., told Secretary of State James Baker, ''The administration appears to be shifting to a new policy based on the premise that sanctions will not work and that an early resort to offensive action may be necessary.''

Evidence for Biden's conclusion came from Baker's testimony, from CIA Director William Webster in a simultaneous session on Capitol Hill, and from President Bush, travelling in South America.

''I've not been the one who's convinced that sanctions alone will do the trick '' Bush said Tuesday at a news conference in Buenos Aires.

Webster, in his testimony to the House Armed Services Committee, said, ''Our judgment has been and continues to be that there is no assurance or guarantee that economic hardships will compel Saddam to change his policies or lead to internal unrest that would threaten his regime.''

Baker was even more categorical:

''We have to face the fact that, four months into this conflict, none of our efforts have yet produced any sign of change in Saddam Hussein. He shows no sign of complying with any of the United Nations Security Council resolutions.''

These resolutions demand an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, release of hostages, and restoration of the former Kuwaiti government.

In a debate that generally broke along party lines, Democrat Biden told Baker, ''Frankly, Mr. Secretary, I don't think the administration has made the case yet, and I think it is going to be tough for you to do so.''

Several senators evoked emotional arguments in which they said they could not look into the eyes of a family that had lost a son in the gulf fighting without the assurance that the U.S. government had first exhausted all steps short of war, including an extended test of the effectiveness of the economic sanctions.

Baker said President Bush has directed himself, Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, ''to work with the other members of the international coalition to reinforce the multinational force in the gulf and to coordinate its efforts. Our aim is to ensure that if force must be used, it will be used suddenly, massively and decisively.''

On Tuesday, House Democrats strongly endorsed Bush's handling of the Persian Gulf crisis, but they also demanded that Bush seek a declaration from Congress before going to war, unless he needs to protect U.S. lives.

On a vote of 177-37, House Democrats, meeting in a caucus as a prelude to the 102nd Congress convening in January, declared that they ''support the actions taken by President Bush to defend Saudi Arabia,'' his demand that Saddam leave Kuwait, and that they back Bush's diplomatic moves.

Baker acknowledged the debate, saying, I know that some here and throughout the country are very uneasy about the prospects of war. No one wants war, none of us. Not you, not the President, not me. None of us have sought this conflict and we are making every attempt to resolve it peacefully, without '' every attempt to resolv

But he said the success of the sanctions has to be judged on whether they change Saddam Hussein's behavior and there is nothing in his violent history to suggest that he will be swayed.

''We have to face the difficult fact that no one can tell you that sanctions alone will ever be able to impose a high enough cost on Saddam to get him to withdraw.''

He added, ''Waiting not only gives Saddam time to break the sanctions, but it imposes costs on us,'' including the further obliteration of Kuwait and giving Iraq more time to break up the international coalition against Saddam.

In September, when he asked for congressional support for imposing the sanctions, Baker said that the U.S. government and people have to show patience and give the sanctions time to work.

Asked what has changed since that statement, he said five months have passed and there is no indication of any change in Saddam's behavior.

However, just after Baker had finished his testimony, he was informed that the Iraqi government had formally accepted the idea of talks, with Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz coming to Washington sometime after Dec. 15 and Baker going to Baghdad before Jan. 15.

Baker said that no one is making a decision to go to war now and that the administration will use the next six weeks ''to exhaust all diplomatic

opportunities.''

One Republican senator, Jesse Helms of North Carolina, formally objected to the idea of holding public hearings on the gulf policy at all, arguing that the ''carping and second-guessing is eroding the will of the people to stand united at a time when the president needs all the support he can get.''

Helms said that Saddam must be ''dancing with joy'' at the prospect of ''the petty quarrelling of 535 self-appointed commanders in chief.''

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#90339u1446 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (DEC. 5) UPI - The Boston Celtics Wednesday released Jim Paxson, two months after announcing the veteran guard would not play this season.

The 33-year-old Paxson suffered a series of back and wrist injuries during his 2 1/2 seasons with the Celtics. His value to Boston declined with the return of 24-year-old Brian Shaw from Italy and the acquisition of first-round draft pick Dee Brown, who is only 22.

First-year coach Chris Ford intended to change the Celtics' style of play, emphasizing the speed and defense which the younger guards could provide, unlike the slower Paxson.

The Celtics announced on Oct. 6 that Paxson would not return for the 1990-91 season, but did not release him at the time. The team said it wanted to give him the chance to explore other professional opportunities. Paxson, an All-Star in 1983 and 1984, had hoped to be picked up by another team, but it became apparent his playing days were over.

''Playing for the Boston Celtics was and is the ultimate dream of any basketball player,'' Paxson said. ''I not only played alongside players with unique talent, but made a lot of friends along the way. I am now looking forward to new career challenges.''

He did not say what career options he was considering.

The Celtics acquired Paxson from the Portland Trailblazers on Feb. 23, 1988, in a trade for Jerry Sichting. He spent 2 1/2 seasons with the Celtics, including 72 games last year.

Portland's first-round draft choice in 1979, Paxson is a former captain of the Trailblazers. He was a member of the All-NBA team in 1984.

Paxson played in 784 career games and averaged 14.3 points. He played in 53 playoff games, including 20 with the Celtics.

Now a resident of the San Diego area, Paxson is one of three family members who not only played in the NBA, but were chosen in the first round of the draft. His brother John is currently a member of the Chicago Bulls, and his father, Jim, played with the Minneapolis Lakers and the Cincinnati Royals.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	67 1-2	off 3-4
AT&T Company	30	off 3-8
BCE Inc	34 5-8	up 3-4
Bell Atlantic	55	off 1-8
BellSouth Corp	54 1-8	unch
Exxon Corp	50 1-4	off 1-8
Ford Motor Co	27 1-2	off 1-4
Genl Electric	57	up 1 1-2
General Motors	37	up 1-2
GTE Corp	29 1-8	off 1-8
IBM Corp	114 1-2	off 1-4
Mobil Oil Corp	57 3-4	off 3-4
Nynex Corp	71 1-2	up 5-8
Pac Gas & Elec	25 1-8	off 3-8
Pacific Telesis	45 3-8	unch
Phila Electric	17 3-8	unch
Sears Roebuck	26 1-4	up 3-8
Southern Co	27 3-8	off 1-8
Sthwestern Bell	56	up 1-2
US West Inc	37 1-2	up 1-8

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NEW YORK (DEC. 5) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.16

60 to 89 days 7.76

90 to 119 days 7.63

120 to 149 days 7.56

150 to 179 days 7.44

180 to 270 days 7.39

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.17 - 7.60

Issuers 30 days 7.96

Issuers 90 days 7.68

Issuers 270 days 7.34

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.31

60 to 89 days 8.06

90 to 119 days 7.96

120 to 149 days 7.93

150 to 179 days 7.89

180 days 7.86

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.50 - 7.625

1 month 8.25 - 8.375

3 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

6 month 7 13-16 - 8 15-16

Year 7 11-16 - 7 13-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.01 - 6.99

6 months 6.86 - 6.84

Year 6.79 - 6.77

Federal Funds: High 7 7-16, Low 7 5-16, Close 7 5-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7. 608 off 0.084.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90339u1469 12/05/1990 ~United Press International
DALLAS (DEC. 5) UPI - Calling former Vernon Savings and Loan owner Don Dixon a ''master manipulator,'' goverment attorneys Wednesday said he illegally used thrift funds to provide himself a luxurious house and to pay for prostitutes.

Prosecutors Davis Jarvis and Robert Hauberg used much of their closing argument before the case went to the jury to drive home one of the government's main thrift fraud charges against Dixon - using Vernon funds to pay for a beach house in Solana Beach, Calif.

''This master manipulator didn't care as long as it served his purpose,'' Jarvis told the jury of seven women and five men. ''It was Dixon's house and not Vernon's.''

Defense attorney Billy Ravkind said the government was only trying to make Dixon a scapegoat for the thrift industry collapse and that its case had been scripted with plenty of sex and politics thrown in to persuade the jury.

Ravkind said the government relied on perjured witnesses to build its case of sex and crime against Dixon.

''The whole story is a lie,'' Ravkind said, adding, ''Read the script. It is not even carefully done.''

Throughout his testimony, Dixon claimed he was trying to save Vernon at a time when the economy was declining and the 1986 tax reform act was threatening the incentives for real estate investment.

Dixon admitted that female entertainment was provided on company trips and in hindsight he could see that was wrong. He said his employees arranged the escorts and he was not directly involved.

''This is not a referendum on prostitution,'' Jarvis said. ''The issue is whether federally-insured funds can be used to hire prostitutes and the answer ladies and gentlemen, is absolutely not.''

Jarvis described as ''a most absurd statement and ridiculous lie'' Dixon's testimony that he did not know about laws governing campaign contributions.

''And yet he (Dixon) asked his officers to make personal contributions and approved reimbursement for them from Vernon funds,'' he said.

Jarvis said Dawn Baum Simmons, Dixon's former secretary, was the most devastating witness against her former boss. She said Dixon asked her to ''filter'' political contributions through company expense accounts and she refused.

''Over and over again Dixon was playing while Vernon was paying,'' the prosecutor said.

U.S. District Judge A. Joe Fish later instructed the jury before it began deliberations.

A 38-count indictment charges Dixon with using Vernon funds to make illegal political contributions, pay for female entertainment and to support a lavish lifestyle. Vernon collapsed in 1987 with a $1.3 billion loss to taxpayers, federal officials say.

If Dixon, 51, is convicted on all 38 charges, he could face a maximum sentence of 190 years in prison and be fined as much as $9.5 million.

Dixon bought the thrift in 1982 at Vernon, Texas, and the next year moved it to Dallas. Vernon deposits grew from $80 million to 1982 to $1. 6 billion in 1986, when federal regulators forced Dixon from control.

When regulators declared Vernon insolvent, the FBI began a fraud investigation. Since then, 10 people connected with Vernon have been convicted on various federal charges. Seven of them were former Vernon officers.

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#90339u1538 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 5) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says he'd prefer that the Persian Gulf crisis be settled by forces within the Arab world. That word today from the Iraqi news agency, following a meeting in Baghdad between Saddam and King Hussein of Jordan, Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman

Yasser Arafat and Yemen's vice president. It follows by one day a British television report that quoted an UNidentified source who said Iraq would withdraw its troops from Kuwait to avoid war... but only if it is allowed to keep an oil field captured during the invasion.

A federal investigator says there is NO doubt the pilot of a Northwest Airlines D-C-9 became disoriented and ended up on the wrong runway when it was hit by a Boeing 727 trying to take off. National Transportation Safety Board investigator Frank Lauber says the pilot told investigators he could see the larger plane as it thundered down the runway toward him. Eight people in the D-C-9 died in Tuesday's collision.

The chief federal mediator met informally in Manhattan today with newspaper delivery union leaders in an effort to settle the 42-day-old strike against the New York Daily News. Another mediator sat in during two previous days of talks, the first direct meetings between the drivers and News management since the bitter strike began. Sources at the Newspaper Guild say the drivers and management agreed on a list of 14 items that must be settled, but the contents of the list were NOT disclosed.

The chairman of world trade talks wrapping up in Belgium this week is giving the European Community jst 24 hours to resolve a deadlock on farm subsidies. The dispute under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade is threatening to collapse the talks. Given the deadline, E-C trade and agriculture ministers held an emergency meeting tonight, but warned they did NOT expect to be extremely flexible on the issue.

The captain of the orbiting space shuttle Columbia is questioning whether his crew should continue trying to adjust a faulty automatic telescope mount. The mission is losing the chance to observe a number of things in space because of problems getting the Instrument Pointing System to lock onto and track dim stars. Vance Brand told Mission Control it might be wise to forget about trying to get the thing to work automatically and just figure on using a manual method. But NASA says the quality of observations is better with the automatic control.

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#90339u1975 12/05/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 5) UPI - Iraq formally accepted an invitation to hold face-to-face talks about the Kuwait standoff, but President Bush in Argentina says he is ''NOT optimistic'' that Iraq will voluntarily withdraw its troops.

Former President Jimmy Carter says he believes Iraq's Saddam Hussein thought ''the world would accept the invasion of Kuwait and maybe condemn him but NOT take any action.'' Carter spoke in an interview to be aired on public television.

The government today dropped a ban on blood donations from Haitians and people from other areas where AIDS is common. At the same time, The Food and Drug Administration says it is notifiying donation centers that a new collection system will be implemented ''to increase the safety of the nation's blood supply.''

Hundreds of U-S troops armed with M-16 rifles in Panama City captured a former police chief accused of plotting against the government of President Endara. Dozens of rebel police officers had joined the uprising.

A bank regulator testifying in the so-called Keating Five ethics hearings today singled out Senators Dennis DeConcini and Alan Cranston for what he terms improper actions to benefit accused S-and-L kingpin Charles Keating Junior.

A stream of farm-state leaders and members of Congress called on President Bush today to offer credit to the Soviet Union so it can buy food. But the White House says Moscow's needs are NOT as extreme as often pictured.

NASA today released a new space shuttle launch schedule. It calls for seven missions in 1991 and eight in 1992, including a daring satellite rescue mission by the new shuttle, Endeavour. The shuttle Columbia is currently in orbit.

Astronomers in Britain say the planet Uranus may have up to 25 more moons than have been previously seen. They draw that conclusion by analayzing data collected by Voyager 2 and by looking at the orbits of known rings and moons.

Jacqueline Mayhorn of Houston was expecting a big baby. What she got was a huge baby. St. Luke's Hospital spokeswoman Shirlene Bridgewater says Mayhorn gave birth to a healthy son who weighed in at 13-pounds, 15-ounces. Another detail: Mayhorn only gained 15 pounds during the pregnancy.

Soviet President Gorbachev today ordered a vigorous campaign against pornographic materials he says are eroding public morals. Yesterday he spoke out against erotica increasingly available on late-night Soviet television, mentioning one program in which Chinese art was shown to illustrate interesting sexual positions.

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#90339x0352 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
WOODSTOCK, VT (DEC. 5) UPI - New England Ski Areas Council official summary of snow conditions at New England ski areas as of 7 a.m. Dec. 5, 1990.

Skiing conditions are subject to change due to weather, skier traffic, and other factors. Be aware of changing conditions.

Legend: new-inches of new snow snowfall ending in last 24 hours, pdr-powder snow, pp-packed powder, wet gr-wet granular, lsgr-loose granular, frgr-frozen granular, corn-corn snow, mgs-machine groomed surface (where two such terms appear, the former shows conditions on 70 percent or more terrain, and the latter the next-most-prevalent condition) vc-variable conditions, sc-spring conditions xx of 00 trails-number of trails open, sm-snow made in last 24 hours, tc-thin cover, wbln-windblown snow, var-variable, ns-night skiing available, no-not operating, opr-operating.

Massachusetts

Wachusett Mtn new lsgr / 6- 25 base 1 trails 1 lifts ns

Maine

Sugarloaf/usa 20 new lsgr /frgr 6- 44 base 4 trails 2 lifts

Sunday River new pp / 18- 40 base 20 trails 4 lifts sm

New Hampshire

Attitash 12 new pp / 12- 30 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Loon Mountain new lsgr / 6- 12 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm

Waterville Vly new wetgr / 7- 16 base 5 trails 4 lifts

New York

Belleayre new frgr /lsgr 6- 20 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Gore Mountain new wetsn /pp 0- 32 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

Hunter Mountain 6 new lsgr /vc 4- 40 base 17 trails 8 lifts sm

Ski Windham new pp /lsgr 6- 24 base 6 trails 3 lifts sm

Whiteface 12 new wetsn /vc 0- 20 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

Vermont

Bolton Valley new pdr /pp 10- 24 base 6 trails 2 lifts sm

Bromley Mtn new lsgr /frgr 4- 20 base 3 trails 3 lifts sm

Jay Peak 2 new lsgr /frgr 8- 26 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm

Killington new wetsn / 16- 30 base 11 trails 5 lifts sm

Magic Mountain new lsgr /frgr 12- 18 base 2 trails 1 lifts sm

Mt. Snow new wetgr / 12- 24 base 11 trails 4 lifts sm

Okemo Mountain new lsgr / 16- 24 base 18 trails 5 lifts sm

Pico new lsgr /pp 10- 24 base 6 trails 4 lifts sm

Smugglers Notch new lsgr / 8- 24 base 4 trails 1 lifts

Stowe new pp /frgr 6- 30 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Stratton Mtn new pp / 14- 26 base 6 trails 4 lifts sm

Sugarbush new pp /frgr 12- 42 base 9 trails 4 lifts sm

New England winter sports outlook: Some flurries today north and central. Highs in 20s north, 30s south. Tonight cold. Lows in teens most areas. Thursday mostly sunny south, mostly cloudy north. Scattered flurries north. Highs in upper 20s north, 30s north and central, lower 40s south.

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#90339x0596 12/05/1990 ~Comtex

(DEC. 5) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, preparing for high-level talks with the United States, said Tuesday he would prefer that the crisis be settled within the Arab world, and an estimated 3,000 Soviet hostages began returning home from captivity in Iraq.

Renewed diplomatic overtures and frank preparations for war have marked the Persian Gulf crisis in the week since the U.N. Security Council issued a Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait or face a possible confrontation with U.S.-led multinational troops in the region.

Saddam, meeting in Baghdad with King Hussein of Jordan, Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat and Yemen's vice president, said in the joint communique that ''an Arab-Arab dialogue is a necessity'' in resolving the crisis, the Iraqi news agency INA reported.

The Iraqi president has agreed to meet with Secretary of State James Baker in Baghdad and is preparing to send Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to Washington for talks with Bush, but has said he wants the Palestinian question to be included in any discussions.

The first of an estimated 3,000 Soviet hostages held by Iraq began to return home Wednesday, the official Iraqi news agency INA said. Moscow has told that the release would not lessen its opposition to the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

An undisclosed number of Soviet military advisers and consultants began leaving Iraq on flights to Amman, Jordan, after Saddam said he would allow them to go home even though they had not fulfilled their work contracts.

The Soviet Union supported the U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force to drive Iraq from Kuwait, but has not sent troops to join the multinational force in the region.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, meanwhile, during a visit to Poland, restated the Bush administration view that the United States is impatient for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

Cheney, meeting with Polish officials who told him they have lost $2 billion because of economic sanctions against Iraq, said the talks in Warsaw ''reaffirm in my mind the notion that we cannot wait indefinitely for Saddam Hussein to come into compliance with the U.N. resolutions.''

Bush said Tuesday during a visit to Uruguay that economic sanctions imposed against Iraq by the United Nations have not pressured Saddam into withdrawing from the tiny oil-rich emirate.

Adm. William Crowe and Gen. David Jones, both former chairmen of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said Tuesday at a Senate hearing on the gulf crisis that the United States should use resraint when dealing with Saddam and wait as long as a year for the economic sanctions to work.

''I don't agree with them,'' Bush said when asked about their testimony. ''I don't think Saddam Hussein understands (the sanctions). I hope he gets the message. You know, I've not been the one who's convinced that sanctions alone will do the trick.''

Meanwhile, 54 Democratic members of Congress filed a lawsuit Tuesday in U.S. District Court in Washington challenging the constitutionality of Operation Desert Shield, questioning whether Bush is empowered to send U.S. forces into war without the approval of Congress.

In London, the Sky Television News satellite network reported Tuesday that Saddam offered to witdraw his troops from Kuwait to avoid war provided he is allowed to keep an oil field captured during the invasion. It said Saddam will make the offer to Baker during his visit to Baghdad later this month.

The network quoted an anonymous source as saying that in return for a guarantee against Western attack, Iraq would withdraw from Kuwait except for the Rumaila oil field, which straddles Kuwait and Iraq, and was Iraq's primary reason for invading Kuwait.

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#90339x0632 12/05/1990 ~Comtex
(DEC. 5) UPI - A British television report that Iraq may be ready to withdraw from most of Kuwait coupled with bargain hunting and a decline in margin-related selling boosted stock prices Wednesday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which plunged 863.38 points _ or 3.8 percent _ Tuesday, rebounded 331.11 points to 22, 193.72.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major issues, which tumbled 48.57 points Tuesday, gained 16.48 points to 1, 639.13.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 350 million shares, compared with 263 million shares changing hands Tuesday.

Declines edged out advances 467 to 451, while 131 issues remained unchnaged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices surged on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in heavy trading, boosted by a combination of seasonal buying and positive reports on the Persian Gulf.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which added 0.67 points Tuesday, surged 45.39 points _ or 1.5 percent _ to 3,066.25.

Among the narrower indexes, financials gained 34.42 points, utilities added 46.71, properties jumped 64.53 and industrials rose 47.40 points.

Volume was the heaviest in recent weeks at an estimated 943 million shares, well above the 536 million shares Tuesday.

In Singapore, stock prices firmed in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange following the higher closing in Tokyo.

The closely watched Straits Times Industrial Index, which eased 4.29 points Tuesday, gained 2.88 points to 1,124.22.

The broader-based All Singapore Index, which eased 1.22 points Tuesday, rose 0.90 point to 312.54.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 45 million shares, compared with 46.1 million shares Tuesday.

Elsewhere around the region, in Manila, stocks closed lower on the Manila Stock Exchange. The Manila Composite Stock Index of 25 selected issues slipped 17.48 points to 613.91.

In Taipei, stocks closed broadly higher in brisk trading on the Taiwan Stock Exchange.

The Taiwan Weighted Index surged 270.46 points to 4,987.12.

In Seoul, stocks closed sharply higher on the Korean Stock Exchange. The Korean Composite Stock Index gained 9.94 points to 718.84 in active trading.

Meanwhile, markets, banks and most major businesses in Thailand were closed for the King's birthday. Trading will resume Thursday.

In Australia, stocks closed moderately higher on the Sydney Sharemarket boosted by the report Iraq was prepared to deal with the United States.

The All Ordinaries index, which eased 7.0 points Tuesday, gained 5.0 points to 1,322.0. The All industrial index rose 9.2 points to 1,991.1 and the All Resources index gained 3.2 points to 804.8.

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#90340b0015 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire

LINCOLN, NEB. (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Isco Inc. (NASDAQ:ISKO) reported earnings of $678,000, or 16 cents per share, on net sales of $7,958,000 for the fiscal first quarter ended Oct. 26, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $703,000, or 17 cents per share, on net sales of $7,498,000 for the same period one year ago. Cash flow from operations increased from $377,000 to $519,000.

The net sales increase of 6 percent for the first quarter compared with the same period a year ago includes an increase of 20 percent for the Environmental Division and a decrease of 13 percent for the Instrument Division.

The decline in Instrument Division sales is the result of continued weakness in the high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) market, as well as delays in the initial delivery of new products until the last week of the quarter. Environmental Division sales reflected the continued market acceptance of the samplers and flow meters introduced last year.

For the first quarter of fiscal 1991, the Environmental Division had operating income of $993,000. This compares with $655,000 and $1,420,000 in the first and fourth quarters of fiscal 1990, respectively.

For the first quarter of fiscal 1991, the Instrument Division had an operating loss of $238,000. This compares with operating income of $172,000 and a loss of $150,000 in the first and fourth quarters of fiscal 1990, respectively.

Robert Allington, president of Isco, said, ''While net sales in the first quarter were up, earnings declined primarily as a result of increased staffing

in the marketing and sales areas.''

Allington added, ''Fundamental to improving profitability is our ability to increase our sales volume, especially in the Instrument Division. Short term goals include stabilizing the base instrument business and increasing sales efforts on new products such as the capillary electrophoresis and supercritical fluid extraction systems.''

Isco manufactures water pollution monitoring equipment including flow measuring devices, and is the leading manufacturer of wastewater samplers. Isco also manufactures chemical separation instruments for use in biochemistry and biotechnology research.

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#90340b0024 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire

ENCINO, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Inter/Media Group of Companies has added two key players to its team.

Noted photojournalist David Sutton joins Inter/Media as creative supervisor and Les Pressman joins as controller.

An award-winning photographer and copywriter, Sutton, age 63, is widely known for his years as John Wayne's personal photographer. In his new position, Sutton will be responsible for overseeing and coordinating photography, script development, copywriting and client communications.

Learning his craft under the tutelage of famed Life photographers Margaret Bourke-White and Eliot Elisofen, Sutton has been published in Look, Life and Playboy, among many other magazines. He has served as president of the American Society of Magazine Photographers, Southern California Chapter, and is a former contributing editor and columnist for Photographic Magazine.

Sutton is currently authoring a book for the International Photographers Guild. He resides in Tarzana, Calif., with his wife, Ruth, and has two daughters and three grandsons.

Pressman, 48, brings extensive financial management experience in the broadcast industry to his new position. Previously Western Region credit manager for broadcast products with Sony Corp., Pressman will be responsible

for all of Inter/Media' receivable and payable accounting functions.

In his 20-year career in financial operations, Pressman has served as credit manager for KTTV-Los Angeles and KHJ TV-Los Angeles (now KCAL).

Pressman belongs to the Credit Manager's Association of Southern California and has twice served as its president. An avid runner and tennis player, Pressman lives in Van Nuys, Calif., with his wife Anne, an attorney for the State of California, and his two children.

Founded in 1974, Inter/Media is a full-service advertising agency specializing in direct-response for service, retail, entertainment and health care. According to the Los Angeles Business Journal, the firm is the 26th largest in the Los Angeles area with over $65 million in annual billings. Inter/Media is headquartered in Encino, Calif., and has offices in Washington D.C. and Dallas.

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#90340b0027 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire
FREMONT, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - P. Douglas Hagemeier has been promoted to the position of director of Manufacturing reporting to the president and chief executive officer, Al Winegar.

He will be responsible for material procurement, production planning and production of all Vicom products including: 9000 series, VME series, Pixar series and MASTER series of digital image processing systems.

Hagemeier joins Vicom with a master's of science degree in mechanical engineering from Colorado State University and was formerly the director of Operations of Vicom's Pixar product line and the director of Manufacturing at Pixar.

Vicom Systems Inc. is a privately held manufacturer of image processing hardware and software products. Located in Fremont, the company has over 5,500 installations throughout the world involved in all aspects of image processing applications.

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#90340b0036 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire
WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated Energy Systems Inc. (OTC) announced:

$2.5 MILLION PURCHASE ORDER: Consolidated Energy's majority-owned subsidiary, Decade Technology Inc., has received a $2.5 million order from a new customer, covering shipments to be made over the 12-month period commencing Jan. 15, 1991. Decade has contracted to sub-assemble and deliver printed circuit boards for computers. The parties anticipate additional business will be developed between them during the course of the initial order period.

The sub-assembly job order brings Decade's current fiscal year total of booked orders to in excess of $3.5 million out of which the company enjoys a current order backlog of approximately $2.9 million. The company now targets its upcoming shipments at an average rate of $250,000 per month, which will enhance Decade's profitability.

LIGHTING CONSERVATION SALES CONTINUE: Consolidated has successfully contracted for the installation of lighting energy conservation at the Westshore Medical Building and the Westlake United Methodist Church, both in Westlake Village, Calif. Sale and installation of the program has also been completed at the Mediterranea I office building complex in Agoura Hills, Calif. With the completion of these three projects, the company now has lighting project prototypes sited in Southern California office buildings from West Los Angeles to Oxnard.

AUSTRAL/ASEAN IMPORT/EXPORT: Following an October financial and trade presentation in Hong Kong by Rich Abruscato, its president and chief executive officer, Consolidated has established a preliminary memorandum of understanding with the Australian subsidiary of an Indonesian business conglomerate. In November, Abruscato was invited to Australia to begin negotiations on the export of Consolidated's cogeneration and lighting energy conservation technology into the Austral/Asean marketplaces. The companies also plan to explore the opportunity to import certain products into the United States. Discussions are continuing and Consolidated will make further announcements of any concluded agreements.

Consolidated Energy Systems, founded in 1984 and publicly traded since 1987, is a diversified company with emphasis on developing cogeneration and energy conservation projects.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Hyundai's line of 80286 and 80386 systems have all completed Novell certification for NetWare compatibility, announced Dan Lott, director of marketing for the Information Systems Division of Hyundai Electronics America.

Hyundai's 80286 PCs (the 12MHz Super-286E and Super-286X) have been certified by Novell as NetWare-compatible workstations. The 80386 systems (the 16MHz Super-386SE, 20MHz Super-386C, 25MHz Super-386N and 33MHz Super-386T) have all been Novell-certified as file servers and workstations on a NetWare local area network.

According to Lott, the last of the systems finishing certification complete a program started by Hyundai earlier this year to have the 80286 and 80386 products Novell-certified. ''Hyundai is committed to playing a major role in networking environments,'' said Lott. ''Our LAN resellers have been installing Hyundai systems by the hundreds as nodes and servers in extensive company-wide networks.

''Now, with Novell's NetWare-compatibility certification, our customers can be doubly confident that our products have been tested and proven to have the high quality and reliability necessary for their LANs.''

Hyundai has had a long relationship with Novell, having manufactured the PC Terminal diskless workstation, an important ingredient in Novell's strategy to pioneer low-cost local area networking.

Hyundai Electronics America is a major supplier of a full line of quality, reliable personal computer products that are competitively priced. Hyundai was recently ranked number one in total satisfaction among major PC manufacturers in a survey of independent dealers and franchises conducted by the market research firm, StoreBoard.

Hyundai's wide experience in electronics extends beyond personal computers to telecommunications products, industrial electronics and semiconductors, produced worldwide by Hyundai Electronics Industries Co., Ltd. (HEI), of which Hyundai Electronics America is a subsidiary. HEI belongs to the $32 billion Hyundai Group, the largest industrial group of companies in Korea.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Hyundai Electronics America has reduced suggested retail prices on three of its 80386 personal computers and its 80286 laptop.

Hyundai's 33MHz 80386, the Super-386T, has been reduced by $1,000. The single

floppy drive version now starts at $3995. With a 40MB hard disk drive it is $4595; $5195 with a 100MB hard drive; $5695 with a 200MB hard drive; and $7495 with a 300MB hard drive.

Suggested retail price for Hyundai's 25MHz Super-386N ''386 Magnum'' has been reduced by $400, and now starts at $2995 for the single floppy drive version.

With a 40MB hard disk drive the Super-386N is now $3595; $4195 with a 100MB hard drive; $4695 with a 200MB hard drive; and $6495 with a 300MB hard drive.

Suggested retail price on Hyundai's recently introduced 16MHz 80386SX, the Super-386SE, has been reduced by $150. The Super-386SE now starts at $1445 for the single floppy drive model. With a 40MB hard disk drive it is $2045; $2645 with a 100MB hard drive; and $3145 with a 200MB hard drive.

The suggested retail price of Hyundai's Super-LT3 80286 laptop has been reduced by $100, and is now $2395.

Prices on the rest of Hyundai's PC product line, including the 200MHz Super-386C, 80286 systems and 80386SX laptop, remain unchanged.

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DALLAS (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Mary Kay Corp. announced Thursday that it has extended the expiration date for the tender offer of its 15 percent discount

debentures to 2 p.m. EST, Dec. 6, 1990.

As of midnight EST, Dec. 5, 1990, approximately $157,490,000 aggregate principal amount of discount debentures have been tendered. The company said it anticipates the transaction will close today.

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SAN BERNARDINO, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Kasler Corp. (NASDAQ:KASL), a leader in the highway/heavy construction industry, Thursday announced that the company has acquired certain operating assets, valued at approximately $2 million, of L.S. Hawley Corp., a long-time producer of quality rock products in Southern California.

The assets acquired include rock mining equipment, which is currently being utilized in a rock processing complex located in a quarry in San Diego County. In addition to producing and marketing large rock products from this quarry, commonly referred to as ''riprap,'' the company also acquired the existing operating lease to crush and furnish material to a major concrete producer in the San Diego area.

Bob Ferguson, president and chief executive officer, commenting on the acquisition, said: ''We are excited about the potential opportunities this aquisition will afford us. We are also pleased to announce that Dave Hawley, formerly president of L.S. Hawley Corp., has been named a vice president of Kasler Corp. and will be in charge of all rock products operations.

''As the 1991 president of the Associated General Contractors of California, Mr. Hawley adds knowledge and experience to Kasler's management team.''

Kasler also reported that negotiations are continuing for operating lease rights in additional quarry sites located in Southern California.

Kasler is a general contractor engaged in the construction of concrete roadways, bridges and other public works projects including airfields and water-control distribution facilities.

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REDMOND, WA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Celerex Corp. announces the consolidation of its corporate offices and manufacturing operations, from the company's original locations in Seattle and Lynnwood, Wash., to a new 17,400 square foot facility located in Redmond.

The new facility is double that of the combined previous facility giving Celerex a much more efficient and productive environment. The consolidation of manufacturing and the corporate offices provides for the integration of all aspects of the Celerex process including: manufacturing, administration, engineering, sales, customer and field service. The move will enable Celerex to effectively carry out the corporate plans for expanded production in 1991 and the additional space will accommodate room for expansion.

Celerex is in the electronic payment systems business, specializing in credit card authorization, electronic draft capture and check verification. Celerex stock is traded through NASDAQ under the symbol CEXY.

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WOODLAND HILLS, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Zenith National Insurance Corp. (NYSE:ZNT) Thursday declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 25 cents per share on its outstanding shares, an increase from the 22 cents previous quarterly rate.

The dividend is payable on Feb. 15, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 31, 1991.

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PHOENIX (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix based America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) announced that it will make a major route network realignment in early 1991 including new international service to Nagoya, Japan.

The airline will also enter the lucrative California corridor with new service between Long Beach and San Jose on Jan. 6, as well as between Orange County and San Francisco on Feb. 1.

Edward R. Beauvais, chairman and chief executive officer for the airline said,

''As part of our route network realignment, America West will discontinue service at Boise, Lincoln and Sioux City as of Feb. 1. These schedule enhancements and additions will require us to redeploy some current operations.

''Utilizing these resources, we will increase service at both our Phoenix and Las Vegas hubs and take advantage of new opportunities which we believe will significantly strengthen our revenue and overall route structure.''

America West personnel at Boise, Idaho, Lincoln, Neb. and Sioux City S.D. have been notified of the company's decision and all full-time employees will be offered positions throughout our system. America West passengers holding tickets for travel to or from these three cities will be accommodated through other airlines or ticket refunds.

''The airline industry is passing through a very delicate period resulting from an extremely unusual situation of a soft economy and exorbitant fuel prices. America West has actively pursued many new revenue generating strategies and cost reduction programs that have proven beneficial. We will continue to take calculated and necessary steps to combat the excessive price of fuel to ensure the future success of the airline,'' Beauvais stated.

America West, the nation's number one carrier in on-time performance, operates the industry's most fuel-efficient fleet of 103 aircraft including Boeing 747s 757s, 737s and de Havilland Dash 8s. The carrier recently acquired up to 118 Airbus A320s and will operate 16 of the new aircraft by mid-1991. America West offers convenient service with more than 650 daily flights from coast-to-coast and across the Pacific to Hawaii.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Anthem Electronics announced the following organizational changes:

Kenneth T. Lamneck, vice president, has been named director of Anthem Enterprises, a new business unit that will provide all Anthem corporate value-added services. These services include kitting, turnkey, and subsystem assembly.

The business unit will also be responsible for Anthem proprietary manufactured products. Lamneck was formerly vice president, Northwest Regional Director and San Jose Division General Manager at Anthem. He will report to Peyton L. Gannaway, president and chief operating officer.

Dan W. Jackson has been promoted to director of manufacturing for the Anthem

Value-Added Services Division. Jackson was formerly manufacturing manager. He reports to Lamneck.

James F. Hutkay has been promoted to Division General Manager of the San Jose Division. Hutkay was formerly General Sales Manager of the San Jose Division. He will report to Sean Powers, Senior Vice President of Sales.

Michael A. Rynas has been promoted to division general manager of the ATS Division. He was formerly acting in that capacity. He reports to Powers.

The company has reorganized its regional structure as follows:

Clancy Barham, vice president, is regional director of the newly formed Western Region. This region consists of the Seattle, Portland, Ore., Sacramento, Calif. Chatsworth, Calif., Orange County, San Diego and Phoenix divisions. Barham was formerly Southwest Regional director. Robert G. Brown continues as Central Regional director. The Central Region has been expanded to include the Denver and Salt Lake City Divisions.

A new region, named the Bay Region, has been established. Sean Powers will be the acting Regional Director for the Bay Region, which encompasses the trade area served by the San Jose division. The Eastern Region remains unchanged.

Anthem Electronics Inc. markets and distributes a broad range of semiconductor and subsystem products to customers worldwide.

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BELLEVUE, WASH. (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Summit Savings Bank (NASDAQ:SMMT) was given the highest possible rating by the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) for Summit's Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) performance.

Summit's outstanding rating indicates that the institution is a leader in meeting the credit needs of the entire community including low and moderate income neighborhoods.

The new rating system, which applies to CRA examinations made after July 1, 1990, has four possible grades: ''outstanding,'' ''satisfactory,'' ''needs to improve,'' and ''substantial non-compliance.''

The purpose of the CRA is to encourage and evaluate each financial institution's performance in serving the credit needs of the community and to eliminate the practice of ''redlining'' or refusing to make loans in certain areas.

''Summit is providing a leadership role in promoting economic development in its community,'' stated the public disclosure document published by the OTS on Oct. 22. ''The institution has an effective training program to prevent prohibited discriminatory practices.''

''We are trying to provide the services and lending programs that our customer needs, and we will continue to work hard to help more people in our community to become homeowners, and to be good corporate citizens in the process,'' said James Grabicki, president and CEO. ''Our strategy of focusing on affordable housing has made good business sense as the values of affordable homes have held up recently, while more expensive housing has depreciated.''

The OTS cited several areas where Summit showed outstanding efforts including involvement of Summit board members in planning and monitoring lending programs and policies to ensure that all segments of the community are fairly represented, and Summit's efforts to offer loan programs designed to serve low and moderate income households.

Summit closed 879 residential loans totaling almost $88 million in the first nine months of 1990, of which, 58% were FHA and VA loans. Summit's CRA program contains an affordable housing concept that includes participation in the Washington State Housing Commission's Single Family Home Ownership program.

Summit Savings Bank is a Bellevue-based thrift institution emphasizing residential lending of all types and offering a wide range of financial services including money market accounts and certificates, annuities and other investment products. The bank serves the greater Seattle metropolitan area, through its full service Bellevue office and also Whatcom County with its Bellingham loan production office.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Alaska Airlines and Trans World Airlines Thursday announced the signing of two agreements, one giving Alaska the long-sought goal of adequate access to aircraft boarding gates and facilities at Los Angeles International Airport and the other providing one-stop service between Anchorage and St. Louis and New York.

The Los Angeles agreement was made final yesterday when the Los Angeles Department of Airports approved a plan that will see Alaska sublease two TWA wide body aircraft gates in Terminal 3 and turn them into four gates. Alaska also will have secondary access to two other TWA gates in Terminal 3.

Alaska, which plans to move into the terminal in February, currently operates

its 18 daily LAX departures from Terminal 4.

''This is a milestone for Alaska Airlines that comes after many years of intense effort,'' said Ray Vecci, Alaska's president and chief executive officer. Alaska has had to operate around the needs of other airlines since launching Los Angeles service in 1985.

''Scheduling restrictions and delays were among the effects of the previous arrangement. The new agreement eliminates those hurdles,'' Vecci said. The agreement also gives Alaska a 70-foot ticket counter, passenger waiting area, office, baggage systems and other facilities.

In addition, Alaska is seeking space from the airport in which to build a lounge and conference room for ''Board Room'' club members.

In conjunction with the Los Angeles agreement, the two airlines strengthened their marketing relationship with an arrangement -- effective in March -- that will see TWA coordinate flights from St. Louis and New York's Kennedy Airport to Seattle so they connect with Alaska flights to Anchorage.

The flight coordination at Seattle also will give Alaska passengers connecting service to TWA cities throughout the Midwest, East Coast, Europe, the Middle East and Africa. In addition, the agreement contemplates coordination of flights connecting in Los Angeles and other cities.

TWA and Alaska are partners in their respective frequent flier programs. Alaska Airlines, based in Seattle, serves 35 cities in Alaska, Mexico and five Western states.

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DALLAS (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Mary Kay Cosmetics Inc. Thursday announced it had successfully completed a major refinancing and recapitalization and had issued $155 million of senior fixed-rate notes and $85 million of senior floating-rate notes to a group of institutional investors.

The proceeds of the note issuance were used to repay approximately $117 million of bank debt outstanding since Mary Kay's 1985 leveraged buyout, to repurchase up to $122.5 million of the 15 percent discount debentures of Mary Kay Corp., MKCI's parent company, to prepay approximately $17.5 million of notes held primarily by members of the company's founding family and to purchase approximately $10 million of stock options from Mary Kay management.

John P. Rochon, vice chairman of Mary Kay Corp. and managing director of Richmont Corp., a financial adviser to Mary Kay Corp., said: ''This refinancing provides Mary Kay with additional financial flexibility by extending maturities of its long-term debt and replacing some of the high-cost debt incurred at the time of the leveraged buyout.

''The transaction also provides liquidity to members of the founding family and key members of management who have participated in the company's growth since the buyout.''

''We said at the outset that we had two goals in seeking this refinancing -- to enhance the company's financial flexibility and to secure better economic terms on its debt,'' Rochon said. ''Both those goals have been fully met.''

The fixed-rate notes have a 10-year maturity, bear 12.75 percent interest and have no required principal payments until 1996. The company said it expected the fixed-rate notes would be registered under the Securities Act. The floating-rate notes have a five-year maturity and initially will bear interest at 10.56 percent.

The terms of the floating-rate notes require prepayments to be made out of the company's excess cash flow, but otherwise have no required principal payments until 1994. Both series of notes are secured by the company's assets.

Mary Kay on Thursday also accepted for payment discount debentures that had been validly tendered and not withdrawn under its outstanding tender offer. Mary Kay tendered for up to $122.5 million of the discount debentures, approximately 71 percent of the amount outstanding. As of midnight, Dec. 5, approximately $157.5 million aggregate principal amount of the debentures had been tendered.

The company said it would announce shortly the proration factor applicable to the offer, and that payments to bondholders would be distributed promptly by The Bank of New York, the depositary.

The tender offer was made in connection with the solicitation of consents to certain amendments of the terms of the discount debentures.

Those amendments were previously approved by the holders of a majority of the discount debentures and the supplemental indenture entered into by the company on Nov. 8, reflecting those amendments, became effective upon the company's accepting the tendered discount debentures for payment.

The First Boston Corp. served as financial adviser, placement agent and dealer manager and solicitation agent in connection with the transaction.

Mary Kay Cosmetics Inc., with headquarters in Dallas, is engaged in the production and distribution of cosmetics, toiletries and related products

through a network of more than 200,000 beauty consultants.

Mary Kay Corp. is a holding company that owns all of the capital stock of Mary Kay Cosmetics Inc.

Richmont provides investment banking, marketing and management consulting services with emphasis on the impact of consumer product marketing strategies on financial performance.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Alton J. Brann, president and chief operating officer of Litton Industries Inc. since Nov. 1, has been elected a member of the company's board of directors and executive committee.

Brann, 48, joined Litton in 1973 at the Guidance & Control Systems division, one of Litton's major operations. He was named president of the division in 1983 and elected a corporate vice president in 1984. He was appointed group executive for Navigation, Guidance & Control Systems in 1986.

He was elected a corporate senior vice president in 1987 and assumed responsibility for the company's Components and Industrial Products business early in 1988.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Lewis Galoob Toys Inc. (NYSE:GAL) declared its quarterly dividend of 42.5 cents per share of depository convertible exchangeable preferred shares.

The dividend is payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 14, 1990. The company's depository preferred shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol GALPR.

Lewis Galoob Toys designs, develops, markets and distributes a variety of toy

products sold worldwide.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Cominco Resources International Ltd. (TSE/VSE:COR) has engaged N.M. Rothschild & Sons Ltd. London and its Canadian affiliate to examine the potential for selling the company's interests in several important gold properties located in Chile's Maricunga district.

These assets include a 50 percent share of the Lobo deposit, which contains in excess of 3 million ounces of gold, and various interests in the Valy, Escondido and Soledad prospects.

The company plans to continue its work on the Quebrada Blanca copper deposit in Chile and to pursue an aggressive exploration program for gold and base metals deposits in selected countries throughout the world, including Chile, Turkey, Mexico and the United States.

An information package describing the properties to be sold will be made available to qualified parties early in 1991 if Cominco Resources proceeds with the divestiture.

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CUYAHOGA FALLS, OH (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Falls Financial Inc. (NASDAQ:FFII) Thursday announced it had completed its repurchase of 5 percent of the company's 1,564,000 shares of outstanding common stock.

The repurchase of 78,200 shares was accomplished at a cost of $1,015,453.

''The ability to repurchase shares with a book value of over $1.9 million for $1 million improves our shareholders' value, which is an ongoing goal of the company,'' said Howard W. Atwood, chairman and chief executive officer of Falls Financial.

Falls Financial's subsidiary, Falls Savings Bank, FSB, operates 11 retail banking offices in Summit and Portage counties.

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LOS GATOS, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - On Dec. 3, 1990, a class action securities case was served on Caere Corp. (NASDAQ:CAER).

The complaint names the company and certain of its officers and directors. The plaintiff is a shareholder who purchased stock during the class period that runs from Oct. 19, 1989 to Nov. 28, 1990.

The complaint alleges that the defendants violated the federal securities laws in particular Sections 10(b) and 20 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and state law.

The company has reviewed the complaint with its counsel and believes there is absolutely no merit to it. The company intends to vigorously defend the case.

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ST. LOUIS (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Roosevelt Financial Group Inc., the ''company,'' (NASDAQ:RFED) announced that it has borrowed $1.14 million from a commercial bank in order to fund the regular quarterly cash dividend of 20 cents per share paid on Nov. 30, 1990, to the company's stockholders.

The loan is at the commercial bank's prime rate, matures on March 1, 1991, and is secured by 12 percent of the stock of the company's subsidiary and principal asset, Roosevelt Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, referred to as ''Roosevelt Bank'' or the ''bank''. The company plans to repay the loan prior to maturity out of funds expected to be received in early 1991 as a dividend from Roosevelt Bank.

Previous dividends paid by the company to its stockholders have been funded by dividends from Roosevelt Bank to the company. However, under a regulation and subsequent policy recently adopted by the Office of Thrift Supervision, the ''OTS,'' Roosevelt Bank's dividends during the calendar year 1990 are limited to 100 percent of its net income during 1990.

As previously reported, the bank incurred a loss of $4.5 million for the first quarter ended March 31, 1990, largely attributable to losses sustained in liquidating its high-yield bond portfolio.

While the bank has earned a total of $2.9 million during the second and third

quarters of 1990, as a result of the first quarter loss, net income for the year ending Dec. 31, 1990, is expected to be nominal.

The same OTS regulation also permits the payment of dividends during any year in an amount not exceeding 50 percent of the bank's excess capital over fully phased-in requirements as of Jan. 1 of that year, provided the bank at the time of the dividend payment would continue to meet fully phased-in requirements after giving effect to such payment.

While the bank had excess capital over fully phased-in requirements of $10.2 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, it did not exceed fully phased-in requirements as of Jan. 1, 1990. Accordingly, Roosevelt Bank is not permitted to pay dividends to the company out of the bank's excess capital until after Jan. 1, 1991.

Roosevelt Bank intends to give the 30-day notice required by regulation of the bank's intent to declare and pay a dividend to the company after Jan. 1, 1991.

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THE HAGUE, THE NETHERLANDS (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Frame Technology Thursday announced that it is expanding its commitment to the European market by opening two new operations in Europe in 1991.

The first is the European Support Operation which will provide local service and support as well as manufacturing, development and quality assurance capabilities for the European market.

The second is a new network of Frame sales and marketing support staff who will work directly with Frame's European distributors to expand Frame's presence in the marketplace.

Frame is a leading supplier of workstation publishing software for UNIX and Macintosh computers in the United States and Europe. Sales of its FrameMaker software in Europe today provides approximately 20 percent of the company's revenues. The figures is expect to grow to more than 30 percent by 1992.

The new operations in Europe are expected to create more than 50 new jobs in Europe by 1993. Plans for the location of the European Support Organization and the European Sales Operation are not yet final pending discussions with Frame's distributors and various European government authorities.

FrameMaker is the first OSF/Motif-based publishing application to integrate WYSIWYG word-processing, graphics, layout, equation editing and book building

tools into one complete package. In addition to running under the distributed X Window system and Open Software Foundation's Motif graphical user interface, FrameMaker is also now available for the Macintosh, NeXTStep, OPEN WINDOWS graphical user interfaces and the company has announced plans to support OPEN LOOK and the Santa Cruz Operations' Open Desktop.

Frame is a leading supplier of workstation publishing software for creating business and technical documents. Versions of its FrameMaker software are available for multiple user interfaces and more than 25 different computers. Frame markets its products worldwide through distributors, resellers, VARs, OEMs and directly to end users. The privately held company is located at 1010 Rincon Circle, San Jose, Calif. 95131 USA.

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PORTLAND, OR (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - WestAir Airlines, operating as United Express, Thursday said that it will relocate its maintenance facility in the Pacific Northwest to a site at the Portland International Airport pending formal approval from the local port authority.

The company said that it plans to begin the move from its present facility in Pasco, Wash., later this month and expects to be fully operational at the Portland location by mid-January 1991.

''After careful review, we have determined that a maintenance facility at our Portland hub will result in more efficient and productive use of our aircraft, crews and maintenance resources,'' said Maury Gallagher, WestAir president.

WestAir said that a total of 30 mechanics and parts personnel will staff the Portland facility. The airline said it has negotiated the lease of a 13,000-square-foot aircraft hangar in which its maintenance work will be performed.

Gallagher said that the Pasco maintenance facility will be phased out of service by mid-January and that personnel there are being offered positions in Portland and at the airline's primary maintenance facility in Fresno, Calif.

WestAir serves 64 cities in the West and along the East Coast utilizing both jet and turbo-prop aircraft. The company's major hubs are Los Angeles; San Francisco; Fresno; Portland; Seattle; Sacramento, Calif.; and Washington, D.C. WestAir is headquartered in Fresno.

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Mark Peterson, 209/294-6924

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ANAHEIM, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - General Automation Inc. (ASE: GA), a leading worldwide supplier of database-oriented business information systems, software and service to the Pick and Pick/UNIX markets, announced Thursday its pacesetting new R91 Enhanced Pick Application Environment software.

The initial release of R91 features up to a three-times improvement in performance, with expanded Client/Server-like operations for networked PCs as well as support for fault-resistant configurations, distributed databases and tightly coupled Pick-UNIX systems available before mid-1991. R91 will ship with selected General Automation systems starting late this month and volume shipments will begin in the first quarter of next year.

According to the announcement by General Automation President Leonard N. Mackenzie: "R91 is one of the most significant products we have announced to date and it is the software foundation for future General Automation systems.

"R91 represents the continuation of our commitment to supply our dealers, distributors and end users around the world with compatible families of quality business systems that employ the latest in superior and consistent hardware and software technologies.

"R91 provides our dealers, new customers an installed base of over 8,500 Pick-based systems with an application environment that features major breakthroughs in functionality, performance, reliability and compatibility.

"R91 also insures a compatible migration path to future General Automation-supplied hardware and software platforms including Pick/UNIX-based systems."

Integrating General Automation's previous Pick-based product families including those of CIE Systems (acquired by General Automation in January 1990), R91 is a compatible extension of earlier operating system releases and will be available for use with the company's entire range of current and future systems. R91 will also be available as an optional field upgrade for the majority of General Automation's currently installed systems.

R91 is a high-performance relational database system designed for multi-user, transaction-oriented business computing environments and is a significantly enhanced version of the widely used Pick operating system. R91 includes an extensive set of features and options for compatibility with Pick R-83 and other implementations of Pick.

It is designed to be upwards and downwards compatible from earlier General Automation releases, thereby protecting the company's and its dealers' and end users' investments in software and training.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Societe Europeenne des Satellites (SES) of Luxembourg has selected Hughes Communications International Inc., a subsidiary of Hughes Aircraft Co., to build its Astra 1C and 1D television and radio broadcast spacecraft for western Europe.

The multimillion-dollar contract announced Thursday, Hughes' first with SES, calls for two HS 601 model spacecraft and associated ground equipment. Astra 1C will be built in El Segundo, Calif., by the Space and Communications Group of Hughes, a unit of GM Hughes Electronics. Astra 1D is planned a year later. The contract calls for a 15-year in-orbit service life.

The Astra satellites are similar in appearance to other HS 601 models, having a cube-shaped body and two horizontal, three-panel solar array wings. Customized features include 18 Ku-band, 63-watt channels -- more powerful than the existing Astra spacecraft -- and two dual-polarized antenna dishes.

Astra 1C is due to be launched aboard an Ariane 4 rocket during the first quarter of 1993, while Astra 1D is scheduled for 1994.

This is Hughes' fourth contract for the new, body-stabilized HS 601 model spacecraft, bringing the total on order to 13.

Other customers are Aussat Pty. Ltd., which ordered two satellites, dubbed Aussat B, for domestic communications; the U.S. Navy, which has signed up for six HS 601s for its UHF Follow-on program with options for four more; and Hughes Communications Inc., which has ordered three C-/Ku-band spacecraft for its Galaxy constellation in the United States.

Hughes program manager Ron Symmes noted: ''All the HS 601 spacecraft use the same basic bus design, allowing Hughes to realize efficiencies gained by production volume, tooling investments and quantity buys. In addition, the HS 601 is designed as a modular spacecraft, so work can be done on the various modules in parallel, thereby shortening manufacturing and test time.''

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SANTA ROSA, CALIF. (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Optical Coating Laboratory Inc. (NASDAQ:OCLI) Thursday reported sales for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990, of $93.5 million, up 8 percent over sales of $86.5 million for fiscal 1989.

Net earnings per common share for 1990 were 43 cents, compared with net earnings per share of 46 cents for 1989. OCLI's exports from the United States and increased sales by its subsidiary in Scotland combined to provide most of the increase in OCLI's sales in 1990.

Orders booked in 1990 were $98.3 million, up 9 percent over orders booked of $89.9 million in 1989. This gain reflects increased demand for products serving commercial applications, particularly anti-glare products for computer displays.

Net sales for the fourth quarter of 1990 were $25.6 million, up 13 percent over sales of $22.7 million for the fourth quarter of 1989. Net earnings per common share for the fourth quarter of 1990 were 15 cents, up 150 percent over net earnings per common share of 6 cents for the fourth quarter of 1989.

The results for the fourth quarter of 1989 included a pre-tax charge of $2 million to cover estimated future costs of the company's ground water cleanup program.

OCLI's financial condition continued to strengthen in 1990. Capital spending increased in 1990 due to expenditures for OCLI's new continuous sputtering machine and its ground water treatment plant.

The company was able to fund these equipment and plant additions from operations. Common stockholders' equity increased from $35.3 million, or $5.10 per share, at Oct. 31, 1989, to $39.7 million, or $5.71 per share, at Oct. 31, 1990.

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#90340b0618 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire
SAN JOSE, CALIF. (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Ramtek Corp., a maker of high-performance graphics and image processing systems, Thursday announced that it had acquired GEMS of Cambridge, England, a leading supplier of hardware and software for remote sensing.

''Today's acquisition will help move Ramtek closer to its goal of being the dominant supplier of workstation products to the remote sensing marketplace,'' said Ramtek's President, James Swanson. ''GEMS has a very strong reputation

for leading-edge software. We intend to build on that reputation by providing better support and new products to both GEMS' and Ramtek's remote sensing customers.''

Founded in the United Kingdom in the early 1980s, GEMS specializes in the use of image processing technology for various scientific and industrial applications. GEMS' products can be used in areas such as:

Land use and resource mapping

Population and urban geography

Meteorology and climatology

Reconnaissance and surveillance

Agriculture and resource management

Pollution and deforestation

Cartography, photogrammetry and GIS

Ramtek intends to make GEMS' products available on Ramtek's recently announced imaging workstation, MILLENNIUM, as well as other UNIX workstations. MILLENNIUM is the first standards-based workstation designed specifically to tackle the tremendous requirements of high-end image processing.

Founded in 1971, Ramtek Corp. designs, manufactures and services computer display and processing systems used in a wide variety of imaging and graphics applications. Imaging applications include image generation and display for petrochemical, meteorological, medical, and remote sensing analysis.

Graphics applications include process control; military command control, communications and intelligence; and computer-aided design and manufacturing.

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ALAMEDA, CA (DEC. 8) BUSINESS WIRE - Aquanautics Corp. (NASDAQ:AQNT) announced Thursday that it is extending the expiration date of the company's Class B warrants from Dec. 12, 1990 to March 31, 1991.

The exercise price of the Class B warrants remains at $2.25. At Nov. 30 the company had approximately 225,000 Class B warrants outstanding.

The company's Class A warrants, which are exercisable at $1.50, will expire on the original expiration date of Dec. 12. The company does not intend to extend the expiration date of these warrants.

Aquanautics is a specialty chemical company producing oxygen control technologies. Aquanautics' proprietary synthetic oxygen-binding molecules can be structured into a variety of systems for extracting, concentrating and/or eliminating oxygen.

The company is currently developing products for food, industrial and defense markets.

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JOPPA, MD (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Merry-Go-Round Enterprises Inc. (NYSE: MGR), today announced that sales for the four week period ending Dec. 1, increased approximately 19 percent to $58.9 million from $49.6 million in the comparable calendar weeks in November 1989.

Same store sales in the comparable calendar weeks for November 1990 increased approximately 11 percent.

Total sales for the forty-three week period ending Dec. 1, increased 38 percent to $466.3 million from $338.0 million in the corresponding period a year ago. Same store sales for the forty-three week period increased approximately 26 percent.

Same store sales for November 1989 increased 36 percent.

Merry-Go-Round Enterprises, Inc. is a leading specialty apparel chain selling contemporary fashions for young men and women in over 670 retail stores in 38 states.

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#90340b0621 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire

SUNNYVALE, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Federal Bureau of Investigation has determined that the Identix TouchPrint system meets the image fidelity

requirements of the agency's Identification Division.

The announcement follows FBI testing of the system which showed that the TouchPrint system has a latent identification accuracy of 100 percent -- higher than any other live-scan fingerprint system currently available. The TouchPrint also outperformed the traditional ink card method of capturing fingerprints.

The FBI's acceptance of TouchPrint scans will allow law enforcement authorities using the TouchPrint system to cross-reference fingerprints of suspects with the FBI's central database in Washington.

Earlier this year, Identix announced it had received the live-scan contract from the state of California for up to $40 million in equipment over five years. The contract is the largest in the industry to date. Industry observers believe that other states will follow California's lead in issuing requests for proposals (RFPs) for live-scan fingerprint systems.

Typically, law enforcement authorities will use the TouchPrint system to record individual fingerprints at the point-of-booking. Once scanned, the system will print out hard copies of fingerprints for files and electronically transmit the information to state authorities and the FBI to check against their records. The time saved in matching fingerprints is expected to range from hours to several days.

Jim Magers, director of the California Division of Law Enforcement Data Center said, ''The FBI certification underscores our belief that this system will save time and prove more accurate than the traditional manual method of inking fingerprints.''

Identix, headquartered in Sunnyvale, designs, manufactures and markets a family of identity verification systems that combine high accuracy with ease of use. Identix systems are used in a wide range of security applications in the public and private sectors.

The company's stock is traded over the counter (NASDAQ:IDXX) and is listed on the Pacific Stock Exchange (symbol:IDX).

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ANAHEIM, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Clothestime, Inc. (CTME/NASDAQ),

today announced sales for the four weeks ended Nov. 24.

Sales for the four weeks of November 1990 increased 22 percent to $14.7 million compared with $12.0 million in the same period last year. Comparable store sales for the four week period increased 5 percent.

Sales for the first ten months of Fiscal 1990 increased 8 percent to $167.7 million compared with $154.1 million for the same period last year. Comparable store sales for the first ten months of Fiscal 1990 declined 1 percent.

The Clothestime, Inc. operates 384 women's apparel stores in fifteen states, offering primarily in-season, moderately-priced sportswear, dresses and accessories, emphasizing brand names at substantial discount from the more upscale department and specialty stores.

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AMHERST, NY (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Mark IV Industries, Inc. (NYSE: IV) Thursday announced that its board of directors has declared its regular quarterly cash dividend of 2-1/2 cents per share for the quarter ended November 30, 1990.

The dividend is payable on December 19, 1990, to shareholders of record on December 14, 1990.

Mark IV Industries, Inc., headquartered in the Buffalo suburb of Amherst, is a diversified manufacturer of products in three business segments: Technical Products and Systems; Engineered Products and Systems; and Transportation Products and Systems.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Jay Jacobs Inc. (NASDAQ: JAYJ) Thursday announced that sales for the month of November 1990 increased approximately 17 percent to $10.2 million from $8.7 million in November 1989.

Sales in comparable stores increased 3 percent for the month. For the nine months ended Nov. 30, 1990, sales increased 19 percent from $71.7 million to $85.2 million, while sales in comparable stores increased 7 percent for the same period.

Jay Jacobs sells fashion forward merchandise to young men and women through its 203 apparel stores located principally in regional shopping malls in 11 Western states and four Midwestern states.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Gap Inc. Thursday reported sales of $180 million for the four-week period ended Dec. 1, 1990, an increase of 18 percent over sales of $152 million for the comparable period ended Dec. 2, 1989.

The company's comparable store sales increased 6 percent in November 1990 compared to an increase of 10 percent a year ago.

Sales of $1.489 billion for the 43 weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990, represent an increase of 23 percent over sales of $1.207 billion for the like period in 1989. Year-to-date comparable store sales increased 15 percent in both 1990 and 1989.

As of Dec. 1, 1990, The Gap Inc. operated 1,097 stores compared to 978 at Dec. 2, 1989, an increase of 12 percent.

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     #90340b0632 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire
CANTON, MA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Dec. 6, 1990, Hills Department Stores, Inc. (HDS/NYSE) today announced that total sales for the four-week period ended December 1, 1990 increased 15.7 percent to $264.6 million from $228.8 million for the corresponding period in 1989.

Same store sales for November 1990 increased 13.3 percent.

Sales for the forty-three week period ended December 1, 1990 increased 9.4 percent to $1,731.8 million from $1,583.0 million for the corresponding period a year ago. Same store sales increased 5.9 percent during this period.

Hills reported sales in fiscal 1989 based on a 53-week year. Consequently, the ending dates for the1990 fiscal months are one calendar week later than the corresponding 1989 fiscal month ending dates. Had the Company reported results based on a 52-week year, the comparable four-week calendar period for total and same-store sales would have reflected decreases of 4.1 percent and 4.7 percent, respectively. Results for the comparable forty-three week calendar period would have reflected increases of 4.5 percent and 1.6 percent, respectively.

Hills Department Stores, Inc. is a discount store chain, operating in 14 states, with 214 locations compared with 208 stores a year ago.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - National Medical Enterprises Inc. (NME)(NYSE/PSE/London:NME) Thursday announced the election of five new directors to its board of directors, increasing the board from 14 to 19 individuals.

Those elected were Jeffrey C. Barbakow, co-chairman of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Communications Co.; Bernice B. Bratter, executive director of the Senior Health and Peer Counseling Center; Michael H. Focht Sr., president and chief executive officer of NME's Hospital Group; Encarnacion Nita Puig-Heckendorn, executive vice president, corporate planning, for the company; and Norman A. Zober, president and chief executive officer of NME's Specialty Hospital Group.

Barbakow, 46, joined MGM/UA Communications in 1988 as chairman, president and chief executive officer prior to the company's sale to Pathe Entertainment early last month. He previously served as a managing director and head of Merrill Lynch Capital Markets' Los Angeles investment banking office. Barbakow is also on the board of directors of MGM Grand Inc.

Bratter, 52, has served as executive director of the Senior Health and Peer Counseling Center in Santa Monica since 1980, and previously was director of the center's peer counseling program. The center has received local and national recognition including President George Bush's ''31st Point of Light'' in his 1,000 Points of Light Program.

Focht, 48, became president of NME's Hospital Group, which includes the company's 38 acute care hospitals, in 1986. Focht, who joined NME in 1978, previously served as president of its International Group.

Heckendorn, 47, was promoted to an executive vice president of NME earlier this year. Heckendorn, who joined NME in 1982, is responsible for the company's overall strategic and financial planning.

Zober, 47, who joined NME in 1982, became president of the company's Specialty Hospital Group in 1986. The group includes NME's 71 psychiatric hospitals, 29 physical rehabilitation hospitals and 13 substance abuse centers, in 1986. Zober previously served as president of NME's Psychiatric Group.

National Medical Enterprises, one of the nation's largest health care services companies, owns, operates and manages acute, psychiatric and physical rehabilitative hospitals, and substance abuse treatment centers throughout the United States and internationally.

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EAST ROCHESTER, N.Y. (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of MOSCOM Corporation (NASDAQ NMS:MSCM) Thursday declared a $.02 per share cash dividend, payable on January 2, 1990 to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 17, 1990.

On May 18, 1990, the Company declared its first cash dividend, and at that time, stated that it intended to declare cash dividends semiannually.

MOSCOM President, Albert J. Montevecchio noted that, ''Our Board of Director's decision to institutionalize the semiannual cash dividend is based upon our Company's solid financial position, positive cash flow, ability to fund growth, profitability to date and long-term earnings prospects. Barring the unexpected, we intend to continue to pay a semiannual cash dividend.''

MOSCOM Corporation is the world's leading producer of telephone cost management products for single and multiple site telecommunications systems.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - As part of a long-standing commitment to promote affordable housing, Great Western Financial Corp. Thursday announced its 1990 Leslie N. Shaw Sr. Memorial Awards.

For the first time, awards were given to two organizations serving primarily rural areas, both in California, and two organizations serving communities in Washington and Florida.

In California, Rural Housing Corporation of California and Cabrillo Economic Development Corporation of Saticoy (Ventura County) each will receive a $50,000 award.

In Washington, Common Ground of Seattle will receive a $50,000 award, and in Florida, Miami-Dade Neighborhood Housing Services will receive a $75,000 award.

This year's Great Western housing awards total $225,000, bringing to $725,000 the amount Great Western has contributed to the special program since it began in 1987.

The award is named after the late Leslie N. Shaw Sr., who served as Great Western's vice president and director of community development for 16 years. It recognizes and supports the work of non-profit organizations that expand or improve the stock of affordable housing in communities where Great Western employees work and live.

''Les Shaw was a leader in bringing together private enterprise, community groups and local government agencies to strengthen our communities and meet the critical need for affordable housing,'' said James F. Montgomery, chairman and chief executive of Great Western Financial, in announcing the awards.

''We're especially pleased to expand the scope of his work into California's rural communities.''

Great Western Financial Corp., with assets of $42 billion, is the parent company of a real estate-oriented retail bank. The company operates 1,000 mortgage lending, retail banking and consumer finance offices in 32 states.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Neiman Marcus Group Inc. (NYSE:NMG) Thursday reported the following preliminary revenues:

	4 weeks ended		
	Dec. 1, 1990-(a)	Dec. 2, 1989-(b)	% Chg.
Total revenues	$ 165.9 million	$ 161.9 million	+ 2.5%
Comparable revenues	$ 157.4 million	$ 161.9 million	- 2.8%

	17 weeks ended		
	Dec. 1, 1990-(a)	Dec. 2, 1989-(b)	% Chg.
Total revenues	$ 591.9 million	$ 569.5 million	+ 3.9%
Comparable revenues	$ 557.0 million	$ 569.5 million	- 2.2%

(a)-Fiscal year ends Aug. 3, 1991.

(b)-For comparative purposes, prior year periods have been restated to conform to current year calendar periods.

The Neiman Marcus Group is a leading specialty retailer. Its three divisions are Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman, and Contempo Casuals.

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DALLAS (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - American Realty Trust Inc. (NYSE: ARB) Thursday announced the results of its annual meeting of shareholders which was held on Dec. 5, 1990.

Shareholders approved the one-for-three reverse stock split and reduction in par value per share and approved the nominees for the board of directors.

The effective date for the reverse split and reduction in par value is expected to be the close of business on Dec. 10, 1990. After the close of business on Dec. 10, 1990, certificates representing pre-split shares will not be deliverable in satisfaction of trades on the New York Stock Exchange.

As a result of the split, each shareholder will be entitled to receive one post-split share of common stock, 1 cent par value, in exchange for every three shares of common stock, $2 par value, presently held. Fractional post-split shares will be paid in cash.

American Realty Trust Inc. is a real estate investment trust which primarily invests in mortgage loans, real estate and real estate-related entities.

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#90340b0662 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire

TUCSON, AZ (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Work Recovery Inc. (NASDAQ:WORK), a Tucson, Ariz. based manufacturer of worker rehabilitation diagnostic health care equipment, Thursday announced record sales for the first quarter ended Sept. 30.

The company reported a 21.4 percent increase in sales over the comparative quarter for the prior year.

Broader market acceptance by hospitals, health care clinics, employers, insurance companies and physicians has been the foundation for the company's continued growth. The company's lead product, the ERGOS Work Simulator, is being accepted by the comapny's customers as having a true impact on workers' compensation cost containment.

Work Recovery Inc. also announced product endorsement and award of competitive bid, Tender 45461, in the amount of $1.5 million, from the Ontario Workers' Compensation Board. Delivery and installation of the ERGOS Work Simulator to facilities in Ontario will begin Jan. 1.

Work Recovery Inc.
Financial Highlights

	Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Quarter Ended Sept. 30, 1989
Sales	$ 828,067	$ 682,076
Gross profit	530,129	455,885
Net income	$ 67,680	$ 161,540
Average shares	3,384,000	2,850,000
Earnings per share	2 cents	6 cents
Total Assets	$4,769,790	$1,444,831

Work Recovery Inc. management further reported a dramatic 230 percent increase in the company's total assets, when comparing the balance sheets from Sept. 30 1989, to Sept. 30, 1990. Net profits for the quarter were lower, due to higher expenses in accounting and legal, directly associated with the company's ''Big 8'' audit and NASDAQ filing.

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OKLAHOMA CITY (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - OEXCO Inc. Thursday announced it recently filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering a proposed initial public offering of up to 1,400,000 units, each unit consisting of one share of its common stock and one two-year

warrant to purchase one share of common stock, at an expected price of $5 per unit.

The units will be offered by the underwriters, A. T. Brod & Co., member New York Stock Exchange, New York, and Waterford Capital Co., Los Angeles, on an ''all or none best efforts'' basis with respect to the first 800,000 units ($4,000,000) and a ''best efforts'' basis with respect to the remaining 600,000 units, resulting in a total offering of up to $7,000,000.

Headquartered in Oklahoma City, OEXCO Inc. is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company engaged in exploration for, and the acquisition and development, production and sale of, crude oil and natural gas primarily near existing producing fields located in central Oklahoma.

From Jan. 1, 1988, through Sept. 30, 1990, the company participated in the drilling 50 (34 company-operated) wells, 82 percent of which were productive. During the same period the company's proved oil and gas reserves grew from 12,397 Bbls to 466,077 Bbls of oil and 100 Mcf to 4.5 Bcf of gas.

Net proceeds will be used principally for the evaluation and acquisition of undeveloped oil and gas leases, drilling of exploratory test wells on prospects it now has or may acquire in the future, developmental drilling, acquisition of producing oil and gas properties with additional development potential and unallocated working capital for general corporate purposes.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may any offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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FRESNO, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - WestAir Holding Inc. (ASE: WAH), operating as United Express through marketing agreements with United Air Lines Thursday reported preliminary traffic results for the month of November.

The airline boarded 232,372 passengers during November, a nine percent increase compared to the like month last year when the company boarded 213,300 customers.

Revenue passenger miles (RPMs) in November increased 11 percent from 45,754,000 in 1989 to 50,939,000 during November 1990. Available seat miles (ASMs) in November increased 12 percent from 102,262,000 in 1989 to 114,484,000 in 1990. Load factor for the month was 44.5 percent, down from the 44.7 percent figure logged during November 1989.

Through the first 11 months of 1990, WestAir Holding Inc. boarded 2,642,519 passengers, 23 percent over the like period last year when 2,157,117 passengers were boarded. Revenue passenger miles for the 11 months were up 31 percent, with 583,856,000 RPMs logged in 1990, compared to 446,563,000 during 1989.

Available seat miles through November were 1,320,292,000, up 33 percent compared to the 991,466,000 ASMs logged in 1989. Load factor during the first 11 months of 1990 was 44.2 percent, down .8 percentage point compared to the 45.0 percent figure logged during the like period in 1989.

Separately, WestAir said that the merger of its two wholly owned airline subsidiaries into a single operating unit was completed on schedule Dec. 1. The company said the merger is resulting in increased organizational efficiency and has reduced overhead.

WestAir also said that it has secured the return of approximately $6.5 million in aircraft-related escrow deposits that will increase working capital available for operations.

WestAir serves 64 cities in the West and along the East Coast utilizing both jet and turbo-prop aircraft. The company's major hubs are Los Angeles, San Francisco, Fresno, Portland, Seattle, Sacramento and Washington D.C. WestAir Holding Inc. is headquartered in Fresno.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MASS. (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Designs Inc. (NASDAQ:DESI), operator of specialty retail stores that sell exclusively Levi Strauss & Co. clothing and accessories, announced Thursday that sales for the four weeks of November ending Nov. 24, 1990 increased to $12.8 million in the current year from $8.6 million for the same period in the prior year, representing an increase of 49 percent.

For the 10 month period ended Nov. 24, 1990 sales were $93.1 million as compared with $59.6 million, representing an increase of 56 percent. These figures include the 16 stores opened since the end of November last year.

Comparable store sales increased 14 percent during November compared with November last year, and have increased 12 percent over last year for the 10 month period. Comparable stores are retail locations that were open a full fiscal year. Of the 102 stores that Designs Inc. operates, 58 are comparable stores.

In making the announcement, Geoffrey M. Holczer, vice president and treasurer, said, ''The month of November closed strongly with Thanksgiving weekend sales 57 percent higher than in the prior year and comparable store sales of over 30 percent. We are very pleased that the Holiday season opened so well and we continue to experience comparable store sales increases in excess of 20 percent thus far in December.''

Designs Inc.'s 70 traditional stores and 32 outlet stores sell exclusively Levi Strauss & Co. clothing and accessories under the ''Designs exclusively Levi Strauss & Co.'' and ''Specials exclusively Levi's'' names. The stores are located in enclosed regional shopping malls and outlet parks in 26 states throughout the eastern half of the country.

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DALLAS (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - BancTec Inc. (NASDAQ: BTEC), Thomson-CSF, a French company, and Thomainfor S.A., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Thomson have signed a memorandum of understanding to establish a joint venture company to develop, market and service financial transaction processing systems and data capture solutions.

The joint venture company will also receive exclusive rights to market products provided by BancTec and Thomson to end-users and distributors in specified territories including continental Europe, Scandinavia, and northern Africa.

BancTec will contribute to the joint venture company all of the outstanding shares of its wholly-owned subsidiary, BancTec GmbH, headquartered in Frankfurt, and other consideration, and Thomainfor will contribute all assets, liabilities and contracts of its Cyberbanque operations which are headquartered in Paris.

BancTec and Thomainfor, each of which will own 50 percent of the joint venture company, expect to executive a definitive agreement by Dec. 31, 1990.

Grahame N. Clark Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of BancTec commented: ''One of our primary strategic objectives for Europe has been to establish a working relationship with a large and successful European-based

company to better penetrate giro, check processing and payment processing markets.

Roger Chevrel, Thomson Information Technology Group director, added: ''This association with the market leader will considerably reinforce our already well established position in France, and enable us to expand into new European markets. It will also consolidate the strategic development of our information technology activities.''

BancTec Inc. provides computerized systems for processing financial transactions, including checks, remittance advices, sales drafts and giro documents. BancTec designs, manufactures, markets and services products that employ optical character recognition, magnetic ink character recognition and image processing technologies to read, digitize, encode, sort and process financial documents.

Thomson-CSF is one of the world's leading electronics corporations with 1989 revenues of approximately $15 billion of which 70 percent are international sales. Its Information Technology Group core business includes engineering workstations, system integration, software and third party maintenance.

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BENTONVILLE, ARK. (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Wal-Mart Stores Inc. (NYSE PSE:WMT) Thursday reported net retail sales for the month of November of $3,221,000,000, an increase of 22 percent from sales of $2,644,000,000 in the same period a year earlier.

For the 10 months ended Nov. 30, sales increased 25 percent to $25,464,000,000 from $20,347,000,000 for the same period a year ago.

Same store sales increased 7 percent for the month of November and 10 percent for the 10 months ended Nov. 30.

The company had 1,511 Wal-Mart stores (includes five Supercenter stores), 145 Sam's clubs and four Hypermart USA units in operation at Nov. 30, compared with 1,355 Wal-Mart stores (includes three Supercenter stores), 121 Sam's clubs, 14 dot Discount Drug stores and three Hypermart USA units a year ago.

Wal-Mart operates in a 35 state trade area, and its securities are listed on the New York and Pacific stock exchanges.

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Paul R. Carter, 501/273-4184

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MILWAUKEE (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Fiserv Inc. (NASDAQ:FISV), in a joint venture with The Banc Pro Group Inc., has been awarded a contract with the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC) to provide loan servicing through the RTC's new Interim Central Processing Center located in Houston.

Under this agreement, the Fiserv joint venture will manage, staff and operate a central processing facility designed to handle asset servicing for RTC Southwest Region receiverships. It is the first contract that Fiserv, a leading computer services company providing data processing and information management systems to financial institutions worldwide, has signed with the RTC.

The centralized loan servicing center in Houston will be the first of its type to be set up by the RTC, and will be able to service up to 40,000 consumer and commercial loans from failed thrifts located throughout the southwest region. Centralization of the loan servicing process will provide cost savings to the RTC through Fiserv economies of scale, and, with centralized processing of these pooled assets, will help accelerate the liquidation procedures of seized institutions.

''This agreement is an opportunity for Fiserv to apply our specialized services to the unique needs of the RTC,'' says George D. Dalton, chairman and chief executive officer of Fiserv. ''In conjunction with Banc Pro Group, we have the resources, the expertise and the track record to provide effective, cost-efficient loan servicing for these institutions now under RTC control.''

Formed in 1984, Fiserv, a Milwaukee-based company, has grown into a national network of specialized financial information management and data processing centers. Through its multiple locations, the company processes and reports on daily transactions among 19.5 million customer accounts for nearly 1,000 financial institutions.

In 1989, the company's annual revenues were over $164 million, an increase of 31 percent over the prior year's record. A publicly held company, Fiserv stock is traded in the NASDAQ over the counter market system under the symbol FISV.

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George D. Dalton, 414/546-5001

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The TJX Companies (NYSE:TJX) Thursday issued the following sales report:

	1990	1989	Percent Change
4 weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990 and 4 weeks ended Dec. 2, 1989	$247,503,000	$224,220,000	10.4%
43 weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990 and 43 weeks ended Dec. 2, 1989	$1,997,987,000	$1,771,113,000	12.8%

CONTACT: The TJX Companies, Framingham
Steven Wishner, 508/390-2626.

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WESTBOROUGH, MA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - ASA Tire Systems Group, a division of ASA International Ltd. (NASDAQ: ASAA), Westborough, Mass., Thursday announced that it has a letter of intent with Laventhol & Horwath (L&H), Philadelphia, to acquire L&H's tire software department prior to L&H's declaration of Chapter 11 on Nov. 21, 1990, and that it is continuing discussions with the debtor-in-possession to acquire the tire component of the business.

The ASA Tire Systems Group was formed in September 1988 when ASA acquired ASCO Inc., Atlanta, the then-largest provider of computer systems to the tire dealer marketplace. The July 1989 acquisition of Snyder Computing Systems Inc. Pittsburgh, further consolidated ASA's leadership position in the marketplace.

In September 1990, ASA acquired Computers Northwest Inc., Redmond, Washington, bringing its total number of independent tire dealer clients to over 1000. In addition to independent tire dealers, ASA International Ltd. markets multi-user computer systems to manufacturing and international trade companies. ASA, founded in 1969, reported 1989 revenues of $23,769,000.

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CINCINNATI (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The United States Shoe Corp. Thursday announced retail sales for the four-week period ending Dec. 1.

Total sales of the company's women's apparel, eyewear and footwear retailing operations were $191,395,000 compared to $180,951,000 in the same period a year ago, an increase of 5.8 percent. Comparable store sales for the period

decreased .4 percent.

For the ten months ended Dec. 1, total retail sales were $1,793,157,000, an increase of 11.5 percent from $1,607,919,000 in the same period a year ago. Comparable store sales for the ten-month period increased 5.7 percent.

Comparable store sales of the Women's Apparel Retailing Group increased 2.9 percent in November and 10.6 percent in the ten months ended Dec. 1. The group ended November with 1,782 stores compared to 1,721 at the same time last year.

In the LensCrafters Optical Retailing Group, comparable store sales declined 5.0 percent for the month, and .6 percent in the first ten months of the fiscal year. At the end of the month, LensCrafters operated 424 superstores compared to 343 superstores at the end of November 1989.

The Footwear Retailing Group experienced a comparable store sales decline of 9.0 percent in November, and a 3.2 percent decline in the ten-month period. The group had 530 stores and leased departments at the end of the period compared to 494 last year.

In addition to specialty retailing, U.S. Shoe operates a footwear manufacturing, importing and wholesaling business that accounted for about 20 percent of the company's sales in fiscal 1989.

CONTACT: U.S. Shoe Corp., Cincinnati, K. Brent Somers, (513) 527-7463.

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Go-Video Inc. (AMEX: VCR) of Scottsdale Thursday filed an antitrust case against Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. to enjoin the acquisition of MCA Inc.

Go-Video is the manufacturer of the world's first dual-deck VCR called the VCR-2. Matsushita of Japan is the largest manufacturer of consumer electronic products in the world. MCA Inc., is the largest entertainment conglomerate in the world. Go-Video charged Matsushita with violations of the Sherman and Clayton Antitrust Acts in its complaint.

Go-Video alleged inter alia Matsushita conspired with Sony Corporation of Japan and other Japanese consumer electronic manufactuers to monopolize and unlawfully restrain trade in the consumer electronic hardware market (TVs, VCRs, and play-and-record audio equipment).

Go-Video says that in order to entrench their monopoly positions in the hardware industry, Matsushita and its co-conspirators are now attempting to monopolize and to unlawfully restrain trade in the software industry (motion pictures, TV programming, and video and audio recordings). Go-Video contends

that Matsushita's most recent antitrust violation is confirmed by its attempt to purchase MCA.

The comsumer electronic hardware market in the United States is almost completely dominated by Matsushita and the other Japanese manufacturers of electronics. American producers of VCRs are non-existent except for Go-Video, who invented, engineered, and marketed the world's first dual-deck VCR.

American producers of TVs are history (i.e. Philco, Sylvania, Curtis-Mathes, Magnavox, RCA, Emerson, GE, and Admiral have either ceased manufacturing or sold out to foreign companies).

Go-Video states in its complaint that Matsushita and its co-conspirators, in order to entrench their control and monopoly of the hardware industry, have begun to institute a plan and program to now monopolize the software industry.

Go-Video also claims that the japanese firms intend to use that position to eliminate any potential American competitor in any future hardware manufacturing, including HDTV products, computer terminals, DAT and satellite communication products.

Go-Video alleged that Matsushita's purchase of MCA is the latest in a series of coordinated purchases and investments in the software industry by the Japanese hardware manufacturers.

Go-Video is the only American company that has introduced a significant consumer electronics product, the dual-deck VCR, into the face of the cartel.

Go-Video has demonstrated its ability to be a significant and major developer of consumer electronics products in the future, including its participation in HDTV systems and other products.

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NASHVILLE, TN (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Dollar General Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:DOLR) Thursday reported increased sales for the period ended Nov. 30, 1990.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Cal Turner Jr. said retail sales for the four weeks ended Nov. 30, 1990 totaled $63.9 million compared with $59.0 million in 1989, an increase of 8.3 percent. Same store sales for the period increased 3.3 percent.

''Having decided not to duplicate last year's Thanksgiving sales promotion, we are especially pleased with our sales gains in November,'' Turner said.

''Momentum going into December continues to be positive.''

For the first 10 months of the year, Dollar General retail sales totaled $517.6 million, compared with $488.2 million for the same period last year, an increase of 6.0 percent. Same store sales for the year have increased 1.9 percent.

Dollar General is a chain of 1,448 neighborhood stores operating in 23 states with distribution centers in Georgia and Kentucky. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market.

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Robyn Scalise, 615/665-9102 (financial)

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MIAMI (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Only two weeks after being awarded daily scheduled cargo services between Luxembourg and five U.S. cities, Cargolux Airlines International S.A., Luxembourg's cargo flag carrier has signed a contract for three Boeing 747-400 freighters with options for an additional three freighters.

The value of the order from Cargolux, Europe's largest all-cargo airline, is approximately US$1 billion including spares and all the aircraft options.

At the signing ceremony at the airline's headquarters in Luxembourg on Wednesday, Dec. 5, Cargolux's President and Chief Executive Officer, Sten Grotenfelt said, ''This Boeing 747-400 freighter order again underlines our determination to secure the most advanced technology aircraft and thereby provide our clients with a service excellency, reliability and aircraft economics second to none.

Cargolux will take delivery of the first two aircraft in 1994, and the third in 1997. It is expected that the airline will execute its options for the remaining three freighters by the end of the decade.

Signing the contract on behalf of the Boeing Commercial Airplane Group of Seattle, Dean Thornton, president, said, ''This order is personally very satisfying to me having been involved in the Cargolux order for its first Boeing 747-200 freighter back in 1977.

The new Cargolux Boeing 747-400 freighters - state III aircraft which are the most quiet widebody jets - will be equipped with fuel efficient engines, have two-person cockpits, feature the most advanced digital navigation and flight equipment, and nose and side doors.

They will carry a 135,000 KG payload (approximately 20,000 KG more than the present Boeing 747-200F aircraft) with a flight range of up to 9,700 KM (6,000 miles) and an additional volume of 5 percent.

Cargolux Airlines operates in the Americas from area headquarters based at Miami International Airport, with regional offices in San Francisco and Seattle in the United States, and Edmonton and Montreal in Canada. The director for the Americas operation is Sigmar Sigurdsson who is based in Miami.

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CLEVELAND, OHIO (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - LDI Corporation (NASDAQ: LDIC) today announced record financial results for the third quarter and the nine months ended October 31, 1990. The announcement marked the sixth consecutive quarter for which LDI has reported comparable period record net earnings.

Net earnings for the third quarter increased 13 percent to $2,392,000 from $2,110,000 for the same period in 1989. For the nine months, net earnings totaled $6,914,000, an increase of 30 percent from the $5,319,000 reported for the comparable period in the prior year.

On a per share basis, third quarter earnings were 37 cents compared with 33 cents in the third quarter of 1989, a gain of 12 percent. For the nine months earnings per share totaled $1.07, a 15 percent increase over the 93 cents earned in the comparable period in 1989, on 12 percent more outstanding shares.

Revenues for the third quarter increased 12 percent to $95,913,000 compared with $85,447,000 for the same quarter last year. Revenues for the nine months were $276,071,000, an 18 percent increase from the corresponding period last year when revenues totaled $234,027,000.

LDI Corporation, with headquarters in Cleveland, leases and sells a full range of new and used data processing, telecommunication and other high technology equipment, and provides maintenance and engineering services, disaster recovery, technical support and related services. The Company's products include mainframe and mid-range central processing equipment and peripheral devices, as well as personal computers, telecommunications equipment, computerized medical diagnostic systems, and selected capital equipment. LDI is also an active dealer in the secondary market for used data processing, telecommunications and related equipment.

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Mr. Jerry E. Kish, 216/687-0100
Executive Vice President

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RYE, NY (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Melville Corp., a specialty retailer of apparel, prescription drugs, health and beauty aids, footwear, toys, and household furnishings, Thursday reported retail store sales for the fiscal month and 47 week and six day periods ended Dec. 1, 1990 and the comparable periods last year.

Retail store sales for the four weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990 were $886,251,000, an increase of 17.1 percent over sales of $756,920,000 for the four week period last year.

Retail store sales for the 47 week and six day period ended Dec. 1, 1990 increased 13.2 percent to $7,335,253,000 compared to $6,478,239,000 for the comparable period last year.

The reported November sales include the sales of Circus World Toy Stores and Peoples Drug Stores Inc. and subsidiaries which were acquired on Aug. 17 and Sept. 17, 1990, respectively.

Had the sales of these entities been excluded from consolidated sales as reported, sales would have increased by 4.6 percent and 9.5 percent for the four week and 47 week and six day periods ended Dec. 1, 1990, respectively. Sales generated from assets held for sale, however, have been excluded from the amounts reported.

As of Dec. 1, 1990, after excluding the sales of the assets held for sale, the sales results of 7,786 stores and leased departments were included in the amounts reported, an increase of 12.3 percent from the 1989 total of 6,936.

Melville specialty retail chains, with stores located across the country, include Marshalls, the off-price brand name apparel chain; Chess King, the young men's apparel chain; Wilsons, in leather apparel; Bob's, the casual family apparel and footwear chain; Accessory Lady, the quality fashion accessory stores; CVS and Peoples, the prescription drugs, health and beauty aids chains; Freddy's, the "deep discount" drug and sundries stores; Thom McAn Fan Club, and the Meldisco Leased Department division in footwear; the Kay-Bee toy chain; Linens 'N Things, the brand name linens and domestics chain; This End Up, the casual furniture stores; and Prints Plus, the prints and wall decor stores.

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TERRE HAUTE, IND. (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - General Housewares Corp. (NYSE:GHW) Thursday announced that it had entered into a $30,000,000 unsecured Credit Agreement with Harris Trust and Savings Bank and the First Chicago Bank.

Borrowings under the agreement are to be used to fund operations and acquire new product lines and/or businesses.

In making the announcement, Paul A. Saxton, president and chief executive officer of General Housewares, stated ''This agreement, in addition to significantly reducing interest rates that we pay, will provide us with the financial means to move forward with our strategic growth plans. We are pleased to have been able to structure such an attractive credit facility within the current banking environment.''

General Housewares Corp. is a leading manufacturer and marketer of cookware and cutlery products.

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Robert L. Gray, 812/232-1000

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COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated Stores Corp. (NYSE: CNS) Thursday reported that for the month ended Dec. 1, retail sales totaled $75.8 million, up 10.7 percent from $68.4 million a year earlier. Consolidated Stores also reported that sales for comparable stores open at least two years rose 8.9 percent in November.

Retail sales for the ten months of fiscal 1990 were $528.5 million, up 15.2 percent from $458.9 million a year earlier. Comparable sales for the ten months were up 10.6 percent.

CONTACT: Consolidated Stores Corp., Columbus, William B. Snow, (614) 278-6800.

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Harold Markowitz, chairman of the board of Beauty Labs Inc. (NASDAQ:LABB) announced Thursday that an agreement has been concluded with Aquarelle Ltd. for the purchase of the trademarks, technology and business of the Ultra Feminine line of skin-care products. The terms and conditions of the agreement were not disclosed.

This exclusive line of products was introduced in 1959 by Helena Rubenstein Inc. In 1985, the Helena Rubenstein company was purchased by L'Oreal of Paris. Thereafter, the Helena Rubenstein company transferred the Ultra Feminine trademarks and buiness to Aquarelle, Ltd.

Markowitz further stated that this acquisition is a significant breakthrough for Beauty Labs Inc. which will mark its entry into the skin-care business with the Ultra Feminine products.

Beauty Labs Inc. is planning a marketing campaign for 1991, which will include extensive use of a major television personality as a spokesperson for Ultra Feminine.

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   Hal Markowitz, 516/273-5100

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AKRON, OH (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - A. Schulman, Inc., a leading international supplier of high performance plastic compounds and resins, is planning the addition of another production line at its newly-opened Givet, France manufacturing plant. The company also has established a new marketing office in Leipzig, formerly East Germany.

Speaking to shareholders at the company's annual meeting, Terry L. Haines, president and chief operating officer, said that the French plant had recently added a third shift to its operations.

The new production line, which is scheduled for completion in 1992, will further boost production of engineered plastic compounds for customers throughout the European market.

Commenting on the new Leipzig office, Haines said, "With the reunification of Germany, we see very good long-term growth opportunities. Our experience and knowledge of markets in Germany and the Eastern European countries, plus our modern and efficient manufacturing facility in Sindorf, Germany, will enable us to take advantage of these opportunities.

"Since the end of our fiscal year in August," Haines continued, "our business has continued strong throughout the world, with solid demand for our high performance products in a broad range of markets. We are, of course, concerned about the continuing weakness in the North American automotive industry, one of our major markets.

Notwithstanding this problem, our automotive business has been good primarily because we supply the industry with plastic compounds for applications on automobiles which have been in strong demand. In addition, we are a growing

supplier of materials to Japanese automotive producers in North America.

"The Gulf crisis and unsettled world conditions are a cause for concern by each and every one of us," Haines said. "We have seen increases in resin prices of 30 to 40 percent since the start of this crisis. At this time, these added costs have required us to pass on the increases in the form of higher selling prices to our customers, however, there has been some erosion on margins due to the delay in passing on the higher costs.

"At this time, we are seeing some leveling off in the escalation of prices. In addition, we believe there could be some weakening of prices early in 1991.

"We have all heard the forecasts of slower economic activity or recession," Haines noted. "Nevertheless, we anticipate that fiscal 1991 should be a good year, although it may be difficult to maintain the exceptionally strong growth rate which A. Schulman achieved last year".

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ATLANTA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - FGI Cellular Management Inc., of Roswell, Ga., and the Bronfman family of New York have formed Sterling Cellular Limited Partnership.

The new company combines cellular management experience and investment capabilities for rural cellular properties - known in the cellular industry as Rural Service Areas (RSAs).

The company will begin officially operating under the new name Jan. 1, 1991.

FGI Cellular Management Inc. has been providing management capabilities including construction, operations and marketing services to RSAs nationwide.

The Edgar Bronfman and the Minda Bronfman de Gunzburg families are known for their controlling interest in the Seagram Company Ltd.

The new partnership means that Sterling Cellular will have up to $30 million to invest in RSAs, said David Hogan, president and chief executive officer. Hogan is past president of the Business Group of Century Telephone Enterprises Inc. (NYSE: CTL), the nation's 18th largest cellular operator.

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EAST HILLS, NY (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Pall Corp. Thursday reported earnings of 22 cents per share in its first quarter which ended Oct. 27, 1990, compared to 19 cents a year ago.

At Pall's annual meeting on Nov. 30, 1990, Chief Executive Officer Maurice G. Hardy reported that the company expects fiscal 1991 to be its twentieth consecutive year of growth in revenues and earnings.

Commenting on this growth, Hardy said, ''Some time ago, we developed a model of our goal for the year based on a 3 percent positive rate impact in currency translation.

''This resulted in a 16 percent increase in revenues over last year to $655 million. Our latest revision, at the beginning of this month, using a 6 percent currency increase model is for an 18 percent revenue increase...to $665.0 million.''

Pall Corp. is the leader in the design, production and marketing of fine disposable filters and other fluid clarification products for the healthcare, aeropower and fluid processing markets.

The company's shares are listed on the American Stock Exchange (PLL) and the London Stock Exchange (0668260)

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Ogden Corporation announced Thursday that Ogden Aviation Services has been awarded the license to provide complete ground handling support services at Amsterdam's Schiphol International Airport.

The award followed a lengthy competitive procurement process, and service is expected to begin in 1992 when construction of a second terminal at Schiphol is completed. Ogden's wholly owned Dutch subsidiary, Ogden Allied (Schiphol) Limited, will provide all services which include complete flight operations support, passenger and ramp handling and cargo handling. An Amsterdam-based management team will support all operations with 500 full-time Ogden employees. R. Richard Ablon, President and Chief Executive Officer of Ogden said that, ''This award is a logical extension of our company's long-standing reputation for service excellence in the aviation industry. It strengthens our international growth strategy and positions us for continued expansion in the Netherlands and throughout Europe.'' Ablon added, ''We have identified our prospective clients at Schiphol, and look forward to providing them with the highest standards of expertise and efficiency.''

Two years ago Ogden was awarded a major contract to provide complete ground handling support at London's Gatwick Airport. In addition, the company recently signed a contract to provide similar services at Birmingham Airport, also in England.

Ogden Aviation Services is part of the $1.9 billion Ogden Corporation, a leading provider of support services to airports and airlines, sports and entertainment facilities, municipal waste-to-energy plants, energy and environmental agencies, industrial plants, and space and defense contractors.

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Philip Ruppel, 212/868-5717.

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The TJX Cos. Inc. (NYSE:TJX) Thursday announced that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.115 per share, payable Feb. 28, 1991 to shareholders of record on Feb. 7, 1991.

The TJX Cos. Inc. is a major off-price specialty apparel retailer, with 393 T.J. Maxx stores, 586 Hit or Miss stores, the nation's leading women's fashion off-price mail order catalog, Chadwick's of Boston, and 5 Winners Apparel Ltd. stores in Canada.

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BUFFALO, NY (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - George H. Schofield, chairman of the board of directors, chief executive officer and president of Zurn Industries Inc., Erie, Pa., has been elected to the board of directors of National Fuel Gas Co.

He was elected to a term that expires at the company's Feb. 21, 1991 Annual Meeting, and was nominated for reelection at that meeting to a full three year term ending in February 1994.

Bernard J. Kennedy, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of National Fuel said, ''We are very pleased to have Mr. Schofield aboard. He has broad expertise in financial management and extensive experience in the engineering and manufacturing sectors.

''Also, he strengthens our tie with northwestern Pennsylvania and will bring

us the perspective of our very important industrial customers."

National Fuel Gas Co. is a public utility holding company with its headquarters in Buffalo.

The company operates an extensive natural gas utility system in western New York and northwestern Pennsylvania, is engaged in natural gas and oil exploration and production in the Appalachian area, Gulf Coast regions and in California, and operates a natural gas pipeline network in western New York and northwestern Pennsylvania.

Schofield, 61, joined Zurn in 1985 as president and chief operating officer following a career as a key operating officer with General Electric. He was elected chief executive officer that same year and was elected chairman in 1986.

He is a director of Autoclave Engineers Inc., is active in a number of community activities and serves as a board member of many business and human service organizations.

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STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Following a special meeting of its Board of Directors held Thursday, Lone Star Industries announced that the company is continuing to study alternatives relating to its current financial situation.

No action was taken at today's meeting, and the Board has scheduled another meeting for the near future.

At today's meeting, the Lone Star Board of Directors deferred action on the quarterly dividends due on December 15, 1990 on Lone Star's $13.50 Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock and $4.50 Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock.

Lone Star Industries, Inc. and its affiliates are leading producers of cement and a major source of ready-mixed concrete, sand and gravel, crushed stone, and other construction materials.

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Jim Powers, 203/969-8565

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RALEIGH, NC (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Ron E. Doggett, chairman and chief executive officer of GoodMark Foods Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:GDMK), Thursday announced revenues for the second quarter ended Nov. 25, 1990, of $35,623,000 compared with revenues of $36,512,000 for the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

Net income for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 was $677,000, or 16 cents per share, compared with net income of $676,000, or 15 cents per share, in the year-earlier period which had slightly higher average shares outstanding.

For the first half of fiscal 1991, revenues were $71,973,000 compared with $71,139,000 for the first six months of last year. Net income for the 26 weeks ended Nov. 25, 1990, was $1,143,000, or 27 cents per share, compared with $1,998,000, or 45 cents per share, in the similar period last year.

Doggett said: ''Sales have remained below our expectations and were affected by price increases taken over the past 12 months to offset record high meat costs and various inflationary cost increases, including the effects of higher oil prices. Our margins are good, but in terms of volume, we are experiencing a weak economy and a generally sluggish marketplace.

''Our response to these market conditions has been to broadly cut expenses, freeze hiring, increase cost-saving investments, continue our marketing programs, and maintain a strong balance sheet. Our distribution and market shares are excellent, and we believe the outlook for the second half is more positive than the current figures seem to indicate.

''New product activity has been strong. The Slim Jim Beef 'n Cheese snack has exceeded expectations; our new premium quality Smokey Mountain brand line of beef jerky has been very well received; and our Tabasco-flavored Penrose Hot-Rageous Sausages, Andy Capp's Salt 'n Vinegar Fries, A Whale Of A Snack Whale Graham cookies, and Rachel's Peanut Butter Brownies are experiencing favorable introductions.

''New product introductions, plus the recently acquired Acme Foods Co., should produce improved results during the final half of fiscal 1991.''

GoodMark Foods is the nation's leading producer and marketer of meat snacks. The company is also a regional producer of packaged meat products, cookies, crackers, brownies and other snacks. Its principal brands include Slim Jim, Penrose, and Pemmican meat snacks; Jesse Jones packaged meats; A Whale Of A Snack cookies and crackers; Rachel's Brownies; and Andy Capp's snacks. The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System with the symbol GDMK.

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Alvin C. Blalock, 919/790-6556

-30- 2839
#90340b0789 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire
NORTH HILLS, N.Y. (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Hi-Shear Industries Inc. (NYSE:HSI) announced Thursday the ommission of its quarterly dividend in order to conserve cash for operating purposes.

No decision has been made as to when or whether dividend payments will be resumed; this will depend on future operating results and cash needs.

Hi-Shear is a leading designer and manufacturer of aerospace fastening systems used for aircraft in both the commercial and defense markets as well as highly specialized ordnance and electronic products/systems used for space and defense application.

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-30- 841
#90340b0797 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire
NEWARK, NJ (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Callers who use selected New Jersey Bell public phones now have another option when the person they're calling doesn't answer: They can leave a message that will be delivered by New Jersey Bell's network.

About 80 New Jersey Bell public phones in the Plainfield area are being equipped with Send-A-Call, a new messaging system that allows callers to leave a 30-second message after receiving a busy signal or no answer when dialing a local number.

The specially equipped phones have instruction cards and handsets engraved with the words ''Send-A-Call'' that alert customers to the message feature.

The feature costs 50 cents in addition to the 20 cents callers must deposit when making a local call.

A voice prompt announces the availability of the service. A caller who doesn't wish to leave a message is instructed to ignore the prompt and hang up. The initial 20 cents will be returned.

A caller who wants to leave a message is asked to deposit 50 cents and record a brief message. If the line is busy, the phone system will attempt to deliver the message every 15 minutes for up to two hours; if there is no answer, the system tries every 30 minutes for up to four hours.

''During the trial, we expect to test the technology and gauge customer interest,'' said Al Metzler, product manager. ''Based on the results, we will decide whether to expand the service and include toll and calling card calls.''

The Plainfield area was the first to test Answer Call, New Jersey Bell's voice messaging service for residential customers, in 1989. Answer Call now is available to about 60 percent of New Jersey Bell's residential customers.

The 80 Send-A-Call public phones are located in the 322 and 668 exchanges that serve Plainfield, South Plainfield, Scotch Plains, Watchung and Fanwood.

CONTACT: New Jersey Bell, Newark
Karen A. Johnson, 201/649-2282 or 201/790-1845.

-30- 2118
#90340b0801 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire

WILMINGTON, MASS. (DEC. 5) BUSINESS WIRE - Kevlin Microwave Corp. (NASDAQ:KVLM) Thursday announced that it has completed the acquisition of certain of the assets of Flow Vision, Inc., a privately owned company located in Little Falls, N.J., for $187,000 in cash, 100,000 shares of Kevlin Common Stock and a four year warrant to purchase an aggregate of 50,000 additional Shares of Common Stock at the price of $3.00 per share.

In addition, Kevlin is obligated to pay royalties based on future sales of Flow Vision products over seven years up to an aggregate of $1 Million.

Kevlin expects that the Flow Vision business will be operated out of its Wilmington facilities. Several of Flow Vision's former employees are being hired by Kevlin, including Lawrence B. Kilham, Flow Vision's founder, who will be serving as a consultant.

Flow Vision has developed and installed real time, on line fiber optic instrumentation systems for the polymer, chemical and other process industries.

Arthur C. Williams, COO of Kevlin, stated that Flow Vision will add a specialized market niche with significant growth potential for Kevlin. Flow Vision will benefit from Kevlin's precision machining capabilities, engineering expertise and manufacturing techniques.

Kevlin Microwave Corp. is a leading supplier of microwave rotary couplers and high frequency systems which are sold to the major manufacturers of air traffic control radar and communications systems.

CONTACT: Kevlin Microwave Corp., Wilmington
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by
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Linda Latman, 212/836-9609
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-30- 1835
#90340b0804 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire
HOUSTON (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - American General Corp. (NYSE:AGC) announced Thursday that its board of directors has reviewed and rejected the two proposals relating to the sale of its home service insurance subsidiaries received on Dec. 3, pursuant to its previously announced invitation for bids.

Further, the board directed management to end the sale process that was launched on May 2, authorized the resumption of its share repurchase program, and decided on a new indicated level of dividends on its common stock for 1991.

In commenting on the proposals, Harold S. Hook, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''The higher proposal offered a total of $3.65 billion for the home service companies, of which $1.8 billion represented the assumption of corporate debt.

''Under this proposal, American General shareholders would have received about $15 per share in a combination of cash and securities of the acquiring company. The board concluded that this proposal fell short of the value of these operations.

''Our board of directors has given thoughtful consideration to the proposals received, to the advice of its financial advisors, to the experience gained in the sale process, to the company's continuing strong earnings performance and asset quality, and to the company's business prospects and opportunities.

''In the judgment of the board, the prospects for maximizing shareholder value through a sale have been fully explored, and, in the context of the present environment, the continuation of that process is not likely to be productive. Further, it is the board's belief that a continuation of the sale process would be detrimental to the business of the company.

The board of directors also authorized management to resume purchases under the company's stock repurchase program. Since the current program was initiated on April 1, 1987, more than 20 percent of the shares outstanding on that date have been purchased for an aggregate cost of approximately $1 billion.

Purchases under that proram had been suspended since the May 1990 announcement of the sale process.

At the time of the announcement in May 1990 of the decision to offer the company for sale, a dividend rate of 80 cents per quarter was established, to provide shareholders an additional return while they waited for the process to be completed.

Now that the sale process is concluded, the board announced its intention to set a new indicated annual common dividend rate of $2 per share for 1991,

representing a 27 percent increase over the $1.58 annual rate in effect prior to the May announcement. The first quarter 1991 dividend is to be declared in February and paid to shareholders on March 1, 1991.

American General is a consumer financial services organization with assets of $34 billion. Headquartered in Houston, American General is one of the nation's leading providers of life insurance, tax-qualified retirement plans, and consumer loans. American General common stock is listed on the New York, Pacific, London, and Swiss stock exchanges.

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James S. D'Agostino Jr., 713/831-1224
Robert D. Mrlik, 713/831-1137.

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PALO ALTO, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Collagen Corp. Thursday announced Terry R. Knapp, M.D., has been elected as a new member of the company's board of directors, effective immediately.

Knapp, aged 47, has had an illustrious medical career and is known as an authority on aesthetic plastic surgery from his research work on the augmentation of soft tissues with injectable collagen. He is currently in private practice as a plastic surgeon in Redding, Calif. and is also a consultant to Collagen Corp. and a member of Collagen's Plastic Surgery Advisory Board.

''Terry has strong ties to the company and the market in which we operate,'' said Howard D. Palefsky, president and chief executive officer of Collagen Corp.

''He was a co-founder of Collagen Corporation in 1975 and is a recognized expert in the field of plastic surgery. He will be an invaluable asset to the company.''

Prior to going into private practice, Knapp was chief resident in plastic surgery at Stanford University Affiliated Hospitals, Palo Alto, Calif. from 1976 to 1977, and a resident in general surgery and plastic surgery at the same hospital from 1971 to 1976. Knapp served in the U.S. Navy as ship's doctor aboard the U.S.S. Tulare from 1972 to 1973.

From 1970 to 1971 Knapp was a surgery intern at Harborview Hospital, University of Washington. He holds an M.D. degree and bachelor of science degree in biology and chemistry from the University of Florida, Gainsville.

Knapp's appointment maintains the number of Collagen directors at nine, replacing Bruce B. Pharriss, Ph.D., who did not stand for re-election because

of his new positions as chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Celtrix Laboratories Inc. Celtrix is Collagen's wholly owned pharmaceutical development company that will be spun off as a new public entity in early 1991.

Collagen Corp. develops, manufactures and markets biomedical products for the augmentation and repair of aged or damaged tissues, and specialized catheter systems for the treatment of neurovascular disorders.

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by
Edlman Public Relations, Palo Alto
Amanda Duckworth, 415/433-5381
Bruce Voss, 415/433-5381

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#90340b0806 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire

BUFFALO, NY (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Pursuant to action on Dec. 3, 1990, by Universal Capital Inc.'s board of directors, the redeemable Class B common stock purchase warrants have been extended to Feb. 13, 1993.

CONTACT: Universal Capital Inc., Buffalo
716/854-3573.

-30- 429
#90340b0807 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - W.R. Grace & Co. (NYSE:GRA) Thursday announced that it has signed a letter of intent for Grace to sell its 49.8 percent interest in TAG Pharmaceuticals, Inc. to Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Limited (NASDAQ:TEVIY) in a transaction valued at more than $20 million.

Completion of the transaction is subject to various conditions, including the negotiation of definitive agreements and is expected to close in the first quarter of 1991.

TAG Pharmaceuticals, jointly-owned by Grace and Teva, was formed in 1985 to market generic and other pharmaceutical products. TAG's primary operating subsidiary is Lemmon Company, a manufacturer of generic pharmaceuticals acquired by TAG in 1985.

According to J.P. Bolduc, president and chief operating officer of Grace, ''Grace's decision to sell its interest in TAG was made because it was not part of the strategic direction Grace wants to pursue in the health care field. Grace's strategic focus for the future is in specialized service and

product businesses, such as its current interests in the health care field which comprise National Medical Care's world-leading kidney dialysis business and home health care activities.''

Grace is an international specialty chemical company with interests in energy, manufacturing and service businesses with sales in excess of $6 billion. Teva the largest pharmaceutical firm in Israel, manufactures a spectrum of pharmaceuticals, fine chemicals and veterinary and related products.

CONTACT: W.R. Grace & Co., New York
Fred Bona, 212/819-6000

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#90340b0814 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire

LAGUARDIA AIRPORT, NY (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of FlightSafety International (NYSE:FSI) Thursday voted the regular quarterly cash dividend of six cents a share payable Feb. 6 to stockholders of record on Jan. 14.

CONTACT: FlightSafety International, Flushing, N.Y.
Bill McDonald, 718/565-4138

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#90340b0824 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The Global Government Plus Fund Inc. December 1990 update: Distribution Information:

Amount	Payable Date	Record Date	Declaration Date
$ 0.20	Jan. 11, 1991	Dec. 31, 1990	Dec. 5, 1990

Investment Adviser Commentary

- The Board of Directors of the Global Government Plus Fund Inc. declared on Dec. 5, 1990 a regular quarterly distribution of $.20. The distribution is payable on Jan. 11, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

- It is currently anticipated that the Fund's return-of-capital for 1990 will be significantly below the previous estimate $.25 per share due to sizable realized currency gains. The final determination of the tax status of the full years' distribution will not be made until after Dec. 31, 1990.

Portfolio Databank (As of 10/31/90)
Average Bond Quality: AAA/Government
Average Yield to Maturity: 9.3 percent
Weighted Average Duration: 6.2 years

Percent of Percent including

Country	Portfolio	Currency Hedges
United States	39.7 pct.	39.0 pct.
Canada	14.9 pct.	9.3 pct.
Japan	13.0 pct.	19.2 pct.
United Kingdom	4.9 pct.	4.9 pct.
Netherlands	10.4 pct.	4.1 pct.
France	7.5 pct.	7.5 pct.
Denmark	3.4 pct.	3.4 pct.
Switzerland	0.2 pct.	0.2 pct.
ECU	1.0 pct.	1.0 pct.
Ireland	3.5 pct.	3.5 pct.
Norway	1.5 pct.	1.5 pct.
Finland	0.0 pct.	6.4 pct.
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Total	100.0 pct.	100.0 pct.

Performance Update

	Nov. 30	Oct. 31	Sept. 28
NAV per share	$8.35	$8.20	$7.77
Price per share	$7.75	$7.00	$6.50
Premium/discount	(-7.2 pct)	(-14.6 pct)	(-16.3 pct)

General Overview

The Global Government Plus Fund Inc. is a closed-end investment company that invests in debt securities issued or guaranteed by governments, semi-governmental entities, government agencies, supranational entities, and other governmental entities in the United States and in 20 other major countries and denominated in the currencies of such countries.

The Fund's manager is Prudential Mutual Fund Management Inc. and investment advisory services are provided by The Prudential Investment Corp. Additional information on the Fund's assets and performance is contained in the semi-annual report for the six months ended June 30, 1990. For further information on the Fund, call 212/214-3332.

CONTACT: The Global Government Plus Fund Inc., New York
212/214-3332

-30- 3458

#90340b0828 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire

NORWOOD, MA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Technologies Ltd. (NASDAQ: PTEC) Thursday announced that it had filed suit in the Middlesex County Superior Court in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts against SystemSoft Corp. of Natick, Mass., and five individual SystemSoft founders, employees and/or shareholders: Robert Angelo, Jeffrey Bobzin, Michael Segroves, Jonathan Joseph, and William O'Connell.

All five individual defendants are former senior level Phoenix employees who held key management, sales, engineering, or marketing positions. In the complaint, Phoenix alleges that SystemSoft and the five individual defendents misappropriated trade secrets belonging to Phoenix and the five individual defendants have breached contractual obligations owed to Phoenix.

According to the complaint, the defendants have intentionally interfered with both existing and prospective contractual and business relations between Phoenix and certain of its customers and prospects. The complaint also alleges unfair or deceptive acts or practices and unfair methods of competition against all of the defendants.

Phoenix has requested that the Court grant both preliminary and permanent injunction against SystemSoft and the individual defendants to stop the misappropriation and use of Phoenix trade secrets. The complaint also seeks damages against SystemSoft and the individual defendants.

According to Ron Fisher, president and chief executive officer, "Phoenix trade secrets and its employees are its most valuable assets. While Phoenix supports vigorous and fair competition, it can not tolerate any misappropriation of its trade secrets and will enforce its legal rights in an aggressive manner in order to protect the company's vital confidential and proprietary assets."

Phoenix Technologies designs, develops, and markets systems software products for personal computers and printers. Its products enables OEMs to offer their customers computers and printers that are compatible with industry standards. More than 200 personal computer and printer manufacturers rely on Phoenix for its system-level software and hardware compatibility expertise.

CONTACT: Phoenix Technologies, Norwood, Robert Langer, (617) 551-4161.

-30- 2433
#90340b0834 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire

UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Union Business Services Thursday announced several major enhancements to its EasyLink Fax(SM) service.

The new service options offer graphic files-to-fax capability and signatures and logos. These enhancements are available to all EasyLink(R) subscribers.

''We expect these new features to significantly increase our growth in the fax messaging segment of our business,'' said Sal Noto, Marketing Director for EasyLink Electronic Messaging Services.

The EasyLink Fax Logo and Signature feature allows subscribers to personalize fax messages using company letterhead and signatures. The set-up is simple.

Western Union electronically scans letterheads, logos and signatures and safe-stores them in the EasyLink network. With personalized logos, letterheads and signatures on call, subscribers can be sure that their electronic documents will be polished hardcopy.

The graphic files-to-fax feature is a breakthrough in network fax graphics. Users can now include computer generated illustrations in fax documents such as newsletters or reports, including bar graphs, artwork, pie charts and other binary file- based designs. EasyLink Fax service supports graphics produced via PostScript, Epson FX 80 Print, TIFF and PCX.

EasyLink Fax is deliverable to Group III fax machines globally. Other features announced earlier in the year include cover page, various alternate font sizes and page length options. One of the most popular applications is the broadcast of messages to a virtually unlimited number of destinations simultaneously. The originator using EasyLink Fax also can request notification of delivery of messages. More information may be obtained by calling 1-800-779-1111.

Western Union Corporation provides a broad range of messaging, financial and other services, both domestically and internationally, to meet specific needs of business customers and individual consumers. The Company is the leading provider of public electronic mail services, which enable its business customers to reach more than seven million electronic mail, fax and telex users worldwide.

CONTACT: Western Union, Upper Saddle River
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or
G.S. Schwartz, New York
Sue Hoffman, 212/696-4744.

-30- 2522

#90340b0840 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire

FRAMINGHAM, MA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Perini Corp., a construction and real estate development company headquartered in Framingham, Mass., Thursday declared a regular quarterly dividend of $5.3125 per share on the issued and outstanding convertible exchangeable preferred shares of the corporation (equivalent to $.53125 per depositary share), payable on March 15, 1991, to shareholders of record on Feb. 22, 1991.

The company stated that management recently implemented a major cost reduction program resulting in a significant reduction in administrative personnel cost. Inability to date to conclude any significant real estate transactions, unanticipated problems on a pipeline construction project in Western Canada, and provision for the attendant severance payments resulting from the cost reduction program will in all likelihood contribute to a loss for both the

fourth quarter of 1990 and the full fiscal year.

In view of the above and the uncertain outlook for the economy, the board of directors of the company omitted the declaration of the quarterly cash dividend on its common stock which would normally be paid in the first quarter of 1991.

The company's common shares outstanding total approximately 3,916,007.

Perini Corp. has 1,000,000 depositary convertible exchangeable preferred shares outstanding, each representing 1/10th share of $21.25 convertible exchangeable preferred stock.

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Kathleen Fyfe, 508/875-6171

-30- 1701
#90340b0852 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire

FERNANDINA BEACH, FL (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - In response to a televised news report last night on the body armour industry, American Body Armor & Equipment (NASDAQ - ''ABAE'') said Thursday that the company is confident that all its products meet federal standards and that while an FBI alert raised the concern that some companies may have shipped altered vests that failed to meet safety tests, ABA has always provided its customers only with products that have met industry standards.

The company said that, in the vests it shipped, it used ballistic panel models that had previously been both tested and certified, but that the federal standards-setting agency, the National Institute of Justice (NIJ), and the company had in the past disagreed on the need for recertification of vests with different cover materials or positioning of vest labels.

However, the company has since accepted NIJ's interpretation of the criteria and recently has style-certified all models of its vests.

The news report also referred to a dispute between the city of Houston and the company regarding vests purchased by the Houston Police Department. The report failed to state that the dispute goes back to 1988 and that, while there has been no resolution as yet, Houston police officers continue to wear ABA vests and two Houston officers have been saved in the line of duty while wearing their ABA vests.

The company added that the lives of close to 200 law enforcement officers across the nation have been saved because the officers were wearing ABA vests.

ABA said that a directive mentioned in the news report by the New York City Police Department to its personnel to cease wearing any body armor

manufactured by ABA was based on the mistaken belief that NIJ had concluded that ABA vests did not meet NIJ standards.

The company reaffirmed that NIJ had not concluded that ABA vests failed to meet federal standards. ABA is vigorously seeking to reverse this inaccurate communication, as it is concerned about the impact on ABA and its reputation.

Regarding the news report's statement that an FBI criminal investigation of the body armor industry is pending, ABA said it is aware that an investigation is underway of certain elements of the industry, but it has no information that any such investigation is directed at ABA.

The company also reported that, under new majority ownership and management since the beginning of this year, it is generating record revenues and is projecting the fourth quarter of 1990 to be the biggest revenue quarter in the company's history. ABA stated that the backlog of orders for its products exceeds $3 million and is the largest backlog in the company's 20-year history.

The company also noted that its new auditors, Deloitte & Touche, retained by the new management, had set up a 1989 year-end reserve for the Houston suit in the event that the company does not prevail in this matter, but that the company is confident no judgement will be rendered against it.

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by
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-30- 3405

#90340b0876 12/06/1990 ~Business Wire

INGLEWOOD, CA (DEC. 6) BUSINESS WIRE - To ensure Hollywood Park stockholders the right to vote for directors committed to selling the Hollywood Park companies and seeking the highest price for their shares, Hollywood Park Operating Co. and five independent directors Thursday filed a suit against Hollywood Part Realty Enterprises Inc. demanding the right to nominate an alternative slate of directors for election at the upcoming annual meeting.

By preventing shareholders from nominating and voting for an opposing slate of directors, the Realty Co.'s directors are seeking to ''entrench themselves in office, to usurp and preempt corporate decisions that properly belong to stockholders, and to thwart the wishes of the majority of stockholders,'' according to the suit.

The suit argues that stockholders deserve a clear choice between the commitment by the Operating Co. to maximize shareholder values by seeking a buyer for the companies and R. D. Hubbard's efforts to acquire control of the

companies without offering shareholders a price for their shares.

The Operating Co. believes that, despite Hubbard's denials, his true objective is to ''obtain working control of the companies' boards, so that he will be in a position to acquire the companies in a going private transaction from the inside, without paying full value or allowing free competitive bidding.''

The suit notes that Hubbard had previously sought to overturn Realty's requirement that stockholders' candidates for directors be nominated within seven days of the announcement of an annual meeting. On Nov. 19, however, Hubbard was given a seat on Realty's board under an agreement that the board would support a slate of directors aligned with Hubbard. Hubbard now refuses to open up the nominating process.

The suit argues that shareholders must be given a reasonable opportunity to respond to major events in the management of a company, including the ability to nominate competing candidates to the board. The filing cites the Realty Board's sudden change-of-position to supporting Hubbard's takeover efforts and the inclusion of Hubbard on the Board as material events tha must give shareholders the right to nominate new Board candidates.

The suit was filed today in Deleware State Court against the Realty Co., Hubbard, and his associates on the Realty Board.

In a separate court action, the United States District Court in Los Angeles has denied a request by Hubbard for a temporary restraining order to enjoin management from making statements about the possibility that Hubbard would take Hollywood Park private if he wins the current proxzy fight.

CONTACT: Sawyer/Miller Group, New York
Charles Perkins, 212/755-1700

-30- 2939

#90340c0002 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 13, 1990, Unity Healthcare Holding Co. Inc.(TICKER: UNTY) notified BDO Seidman that it was discontinuing their services as Unity's independent accountants.

Also on that date, Unity appointed Arthur Andersen & Co. as its new independent accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90340c0004 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Brilund Ltd.(TICKER: BRIL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,186	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(288,280)	$(267,959)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,292,317	6,028,771

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,152,247	$9,671,604
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,299,233	$3,950,360

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#90340c0005 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Laser Corp.(TICKER: LSER).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,570, 384	$2,050,595
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$117,900
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(166,133)	$303,002
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$0.09
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,360,559	3,410,559

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,025,056	$11,623,543

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,283,212	$7,705,261

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#90340c0006 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Executive Telecard Ltd.(TICKER: EXTL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$85,605	$48,511
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$455,571	$(6,556)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,993,430	2,641,258

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,125,979	$4,963,854
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,548,652	$4,673,064

The company is a development stage enterprise. Its executive address is 8 Avenue C, Nanuet, New York 10954, and its telephone number is (914) 627-2060.

-30- 1244

#90340c0007 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Aquasciences International Inc.(TICKER: AQSI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$78,661	$90,963

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(286,934)	$(338,318)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	18,031,336	16,904,486

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,298,875	$1,969,826
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$265,381	$(64,944)

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#90340c0008 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Independent Insurance Group Inc.(TICKER: INDH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$141,195,000	$133,339,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$7,688,000	$8,655,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.58	$0.65
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	13,298,000	13,316,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,436,165,000	$1,349,633,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$333,772,000	$330,425,000

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#90340c0009 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 4:

Arrhythmia Research Technology Inc. (ARTI)
Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc. (CCEAW) - Wts. 7/10/91
The Israel Development Co. Limited (ILDCY)

MYM Liquidating Trust SBI (MRLTZ)

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#90340c0010 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 5:

Bridgford Foods Corp. - WI (BRIDV); Insufficient number of regular market makers - security never quoted (stk. div.)

Continental Gold Corp. (CNTVF); Company request

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 4:

Conner Peripherals Inc. (CNNR); Company request - listed on the NYSE

-30- 544
#90340c0012 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:41 that trade in Getty Petroleum Corp. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol GTY.

-30- 342
#90340c0013 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 6-K report filed at the NASD by Basic Petroleum International Inc.(TICKER: BPIL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$13,526,000	$9,777,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,470,000	$1,737,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$28,154,000	$25,643,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$24,287,000	$20,194,000

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#90340c0014 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Turf Paradise Inc.(TICKER: TURF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$51,093	$57,332
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,279,832)	$(1,550,197)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.51)	$(0.61)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,533,275	2,533,275

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$20,520,988	$20,455,371
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,365,403	$11,645,235

-30- 1092
#90340c0015 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by New York Testing Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: NYTL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,358,058	$1,756,495
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,137)	$233,768
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,302,702	3,302,702

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$4,642,205	$4,405,678
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,394,967	$1,585,153

-30- 1097

#90340c0016 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by ASDAR Group.(TICKER: ASDR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,798,982	$130,390
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(99,077)	$(36,493)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,978,179	$458,560
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$400,211	$349,310

-30- 1006

#90340c0017 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by United Service Source Inc.(TICKER: UNSI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$433,466	$443,029
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(5,247)	$1,965
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,300,000	2,300,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$963,060	$1,082,635
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$920,011	$925,258

-30- 1084

#90340c0018 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Niagara Corp.(TICKER: NIAG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,966,735	$1,097,327
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,364,223)	$(119,711)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	25,496,535	21,391,200

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,323,822	$7,899,102
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,979,612	$2,497,772

-30- 1083

#90340c0020 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Presidential Life Corp.(TICKER: PLFE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$80,347,925	$98,187,896
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$13,064,492	$12,724,052
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.46	$0.45

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,524,407,281	$2,389,107,747
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$198,281,122	$184,975,714

-30- 1029

#90340c0021 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Insituform Southeast Corp.(TICKER: ISEC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,056,482	$5,779,991
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$298,301	$521,620
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$0.13

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$14,533,248	$14,867,678
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,555,272	$11,021,805

-30- 1004

#90340c0022 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Barrier Science & Technology Inc.(TICKER: BUGX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,040,267	$907,118

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$17,955	$(122,148)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.05)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,470,438	$2,485,885
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,059,029	$1,024,121

-30- 1027

#90340c0023 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by CVD Equipment Corp.(TICKER: CVDE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$789,902	$860,895
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(54,005)	$(25,935)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,910,000	2,910,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,450,823	$5,326,071
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,083,658	$3,127,413

-30- 1065

#90340c0024 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 31, 1990, Heldor Industries Inc.(TICKER: HDR) announced it and Aqua Fab Industries Inc. had signed a non-binding letter of intent which could lead to acquisition of Heldor's business by Aqua Fab.

-30- 428

#90340c0025 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Getty Petroleum Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol GTY. Trading was resumed at 10:36.

-30- 353

#90340c0026 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:13 that trade in Gradco Systems Inc.(NASDAQ: GRCO) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 3/8; up 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 348

#90340c0028 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Seaway Food Town Inc.(TICKER: SEWY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended

	Aug. 25, 1990	Aug. 26, 1989
REVENUES	$545,942,000	$512,359,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,931,000	$3,814,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.28	$1.67

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 25, 1990	Aug. 26, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$139,137,000	$129,489,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$34,628,000	$32,277,000

-30- 986

#90340c0029 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 6-K report filed at the NASD by International Movie Group Inc.(TICKER: IMGR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$18,179,296	$11,600,927
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,867,034	$1,433,234
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.26	$0.21

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$41,394,994	$25,302,004
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,578,725	$5,949,654

-30- 1062

#90340c0030 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Aug. 8, 1990, Quarex Industries Inc.(TICKER: QRXI) entered a letter of intent with Frank, Joseph, Michael, Camile and Peter Jr. Castellana, and P.S.L. Food Market Inc., a New York corporation controlled by the Castellanas.

Quarex reports these siblings currently hold, directly or indirectly, approximately 62% of the outstanding common stock of Quarex.

-30- 594

#90340c0031 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Cell Technology Inc.(TICKER: CELL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$248,208	$353,359
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(975,361)	$(1,439,153)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$(0.17)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,478,829	8,458,648

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,578,987	$13,900,947
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,533,978	$12,840,409

The company, a development stage enterprise, reports it does not expect significant revenues from the sale of its products until fiscal 1994 at the earliest, depending upon whether the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) requires Cell Technology to conduct Phase III clinical trials of ImuVert in primary brain cancer. The company's executive offices are located at 1668 Valtec Lane, Boulder, CO 80301, and its telephone number is (303) 443-8155.

-30- 1551

#90340c0032 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30 1990, Starstream Communications Group Inc.(TICKER: SCGI) closed a stock purchase agreement dated July 18, 1990, by which it acquired 80% of the capital stock of PZ Polton Ltd for $435,000 cash.

Approximately $53,000 of that amount is being used to discharge current Polton indebtedness, and the issuance of $250,000 shares of Starstream common stock.

Polton is engaged in the business of duplication and animation of audio cassettes, with substantially all of its business being conducted in Poland.

Starstream also acquired various recording contracts, royalty agreements, an interest in certain animated cartoon projects and various operating equipment.

-30- 913

#90340c0033 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First City Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: CITY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$91,841	$26,099
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,275,098	749,917

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$149,643,594	$138,453,978
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,771,684	$12,411,080

-30- 870

#90340c0034 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Wellington Leisure Products Inc.(TICKER: WLPI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Sept. 29, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$16,709,000	$17,210,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(18,000)	$982,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$0.22
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,538,272	4,527,758

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 29, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$61,118,000	$67,851,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$36,002,000	$37,295,000

-30- 1104

#90340c0036 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Wildey Inc.(TICKER: WILD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$247,231	$155,491
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(283,446)	$(192,295)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.14)	$(0.10)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,958,531	1,959,781

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,705,074	$1,684,515
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(114,812)	$764,567

The company attributes its net losses to its gearing up to support the sales level required to absorb all fixed production, selling, general and administrative expenses. It says the production program is in place, and the major emphasis is now on achieving desired sales levels. Wildey's corporate address is 458 Danbury Road, New Milford, Connecticut 06776, and its telephone number is (203) 355-9000.

-30- 1454

#90340c0037 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Coda Energy Inc.(TICKER: CODA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,420,000	$2,676,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$627,000	$(1,858,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$(0.28)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,043,000	6,577,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$31,104,000	$30,585,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$19,235,000	$18,337,000

-30- 1082
#90340c0038 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Filtertek Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol FTK. Trading was resumed at 12:28.

-30- 340
#90340c0039 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Tidelands Royalty Trust "B".(TICKER: TIRZ).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$511,788	$345,689
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$475,243	$327,810
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER UNIT	$0.34	$0.24

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,080,801	$2,699,093
TOTAL TRUST EQUITY	$677,916	$1,279,118

-30- 991
#90340c0040 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Marine Petroleum Trust.(TICKER: MARP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$569,950	$657,375
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$536,940	$615,184
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER UNIT	$0.27	$0.31

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,647,390	$2,751,771
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,741,588	$1,841,229

-30- 1000

#90340c0041 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Hawkeye Bancorporation.(TICKER: HWKB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$4,927,000	$5,191,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.40	$0.42
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,293,000	12,368,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,287,483,000	$1,271,363,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$91,846,000	$77,064,000

-30- 881

#90340c0042 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Television Technology Corp.(TICKER: TVTK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,523,000	$1,801,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(93,000)	$(325,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.06)

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,288,085	5,386,817

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,978,000	$3,323,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$461,000	$538,000

-30- 1096

#90340c0044 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Medical Technology Systems Inc.(TICKER: MSYS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,178,393	$742,523
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$205,017	$157,718
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,324,139	7,641,772

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,470,192	$8,717,726
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,725,154	$4,136,344

-30- 1091

#90340c0045 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 14, 1990, Enzon Inc.(TICKER: ENZN) engaged the firm of Ernst & Young to audit its financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991.

KPMG Peat Marwick was the company's former auditor and was dismissed as of Nov. 14, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

In other news, on Nov. 15, 1990, Enzon and Schering Corp. pursuant to a non-binding letter of intent dated April 4, 1990, signed a definitive agreement to develop a longer-acting form of Schering's INTRON A (TM) (interferon alfa-2b), a genetically engineered anticancer and antiviral agent, using Enzon's PEGNOLOGY technology.

-30- 1041

#90340c0046 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Security Savings Bank F.S.B.(TICKER: SSVB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$977	$110,967
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.16

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$236,370,955	$249,378,212
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,623,234	$11,985,892

-30- 805

#90340c0047 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Vision Technologies International Inc. (TICKER: IOLS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$156,182	$316,661
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(96,714)	$(116,481)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,612,500	13,963,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,217,167	$2,483,757
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,642,051	$1,965,527

-30- 1134

#90340c0048 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by New York Film Works Inc.(TICKER: NYFW).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,130,378	$1,287,165
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(243,809)	$(104,651)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	83,500,000	81,500,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,933,936	$2,048,737
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$524,129	$938,592

-30- 1085

#90340c0049 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:20 that trade in American General Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol AGC.

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#90340c0050 12/06/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol LCE. Trading was resumed at 13:34.

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#90340c0052 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:45 that trade in UNR Industries Inc.(NASDAQ: UNRI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 9/16. The company is located in Chicago, Illinois.

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#90340c0053 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:05 that trade in Optrotech LTD.(NASDAQ: OPTK) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 6 3/8. The company is located in New York, New York.

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#90340c0054 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:09 that trade in Zenith National Insurance Corp. has been halted pending the dissemination of news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol ZNT.

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#90340c0055 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The General Accounting Office said today the Resolution Trust Corp. has reached a critical stage in its ability to sell real estate assets from thrifts under its control.

"In the area of real estate, they (RTC) are just getting started," said Charles Bowsher, comptroller general of the GAO. "We think the oversight board has done its job in setting policies, now we have to see does it work?"

The GAO, the investigative branch of Congress, said real estate assets under RTC's control totalled approximately $17 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990.

Although 80 percent of the RTC's assets are not in real estate, Bowsher said this category of assets is the most visible, and will likely be the most difficult to dispose of because many were the product of poor investment decisions and will have to be sold in local markets, many of which are depressed.

"We really won't know how the real estate is moving until management agreements are in place later this month," Bowsher said. "They are getting to the stage now where it should begin to pay off. They've got to have an organization that can deal with the customers. Give them time to see if this can work out."

The GAO has revised its estimate for the total cost of the thrift bailout from $325 billion to $370 billion, not including hundreds of billions of dollars in interest costs.

However, after appearing before the House Banking Committee this morning, Bowsher told reporters he believes the tab will ultimately mushroom to $500 billion.

"When you're in a recession you can't dispose of these assets as when you are in a strong economy," Bowsher said. "If you don't move these assets, they tend to deteriorate on you and you have costs in trying to maintain them. Five hundred billion (dollars) is a more complete picture."

The GAO says it will have a performance assessment of the RTC, the agency responsible for managing the nation's failed thrifts, in February, 1991.

The RTC has been dogged by complaints about its operations, the slow pace of asset sales and the spiraling costs of the bailout. Congress appropriated $50 billion for the total S&L cleanup in 1989 but in October, 1990, the Bush administration, saying the RTC would exhaust its funds by early 1991, requested an additional $57 billion of new funding to carry the program through next September.

Since that time, the RTC has not received further funding from Congress, although it has $18.8 billion of borrowing authority available through a loophole in its draft legislation.

The chairman of the House Banking Committee, Texas Democrat Henry Gonzalez, has said that additional funding will not go forward until Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady appears before his panel to explain the administration's funding requests.

Brady refused to appear before the committee shortly before the 101st Congress adjourned in October and has signalled a willingness to testify only as part of the five-man RTC Oversight Board, which is required by law to appear before both the House and Senate on a semiannual basis.

However, Gonzalez has asserted that Brady must appear alone in order to address and clear up the funding issue.

"I have offered the secretary a range of four or five or six dates in January " Gonzalez said. "It is our hope he will agree."

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#90340c0056 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D. GEFFEN OWNS 9,145,748 SHARES (10.80%) OF MCA INC.(TICKER: MCA) OF UNIVERSAL CITY, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

D. Geffen obtained 984,082 series B preferred shares of MCA Inc. in connection with a March 13, 1990 merger agreement among MCA Inc. M/Green Inc. and David Geffen Co. Each series B share may be converted into 10 common shares only if and to the extent necessary for and immediately prior to the sale or transfer of common shares permitted to be sold or transferred under an April 17, 1990 stockholders agreement between MCA Inc. and D. Geffen under a method of disposition permitted by the stockholders agreement. The stockholders agreement provides that, except for a tender or exchange offer approved by MCA Inc. board, D. Geffen is restricted as to the number of shares he may sell or transfer. On Nov. 26, 1990 D. Geffen entered into a tender agreement with Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. Under the tender agreement, D. Geffen is required to tender at least 80 percent of the common shares issuable to him upon conversion of the series B shares. On Nov. 16, 1990 D. Geffen transferred 73,394 MCA Inc. common shares to an employee of David Geffen Co. as compensation for services rendered to that company.

PURPOSE:

Merger agreement, tender offer.

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#90340c0057 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

FMR CORP. OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 1,662,670 SHARES (7.76%) OF TAMBRANDS INC.(TICKER: TMB) OF LAKE SUCCESS, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. sold 279,000 shares from Oct. 19 to Nov. 27, 1990 for $78.62 to $85.25 per share and purchased 134,000 shares at $77.44 to $85.83 per share.

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#90340c0058 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

FMR CORP. OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 1,790,884 SHARES (13.86%) OF WESTERN CO. OF NORTH AMERICA (TICKER: WSN) OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

FMR Corp. sold 103,200 shares from Oct. 1 to Nov. 19, 1990 for $14.04 to $18.13 per share and purchased 76,732 shares at $16.38 to $18.13 per share.

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#90340c0060 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD. OWNS 1,790,884 SHARES (13.86%) OF WESTERN CO. OF NORTH AMERICA (TICKER: WSN) OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Fidelity International LTD. purchased 100,000 shares from Oct. 22 to Nov. 23, 1990 for $14.05 to $17.23 per share.

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#90340c0061 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The total stake is unclear from the information given. Roger and Lila Kumar beneficially own 8,057,000 shares, a 51.8 percent interest; Clifford G. Myers holds 3,299,000 shares, a 28.9 percent interest; Roger Kumar Jr. does not beneficially hold any of the shares; and Dan Moscone beneficially owns 701,000 shares, a 6 percent interest. On Nov. 30, 1990 the Abco Ice Cream Inc. (TICKER: LARY) announced that it will cease all operations as of that date. The Abco Ice Cream Inc. is considering filing for bankruptcy protection and expects to file materials necessary to terminate its obligations for filing with the SEC.

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#90340c0062 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY SUTTER HILL VENTURES OWNS 818,200 SHARES (6.70%) OF SILICON GENERAL INC.(TICKER: SILN) OF SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 24 and Nov. 21, 1990 Sutter Hill Ventures, et al. purchased 132,000 shares at $1.50 to $1.88 per share.

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#90340c0063 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 6) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 16:10 that trade in UNR Industries Inc.(NASDAQ: UNRI) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/2; down 1/16 point from the halt, and previous close.

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#90340c0064 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.M. FRENKEL OF 275 4TH ST, PALISADES PARK, NEW JERSEY 07650, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DIVERSIFIED INVESTORS CORP.(TICKER: DVIN) THROUGH FIRST ALBANY CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 30, 1990.

(DIVERSIFIED INVESTORS CORP. TEL: 212 509-5000)

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#90340c0065 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - N. GREENE OF PO BOX 28205, STATION 16, LAKEWOOD, COLORADO 80228, HAS FILED TO SELL 55,000 SHARES OF COPILOT ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS INC. THROUGH ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 29, 1990.

(COPILOT ELECTRONIC PRODTS INC. TEL: 913 780-1221)

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#90340c0066 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.D. JEFFREY OF 17 ADARE PLACE, NORTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS 01060, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(DE) (TICKER: HNIS) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 29, 1990.

(HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(DE) TEL: 413 539-6000)

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#90340c0068 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.F. COLLINS OF 20555 SH 249, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77070, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,641 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 3, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 456-4500)

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#90340c0069 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - G.E. PETSCH OF 20555 SH 249, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77070, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,641 SHARES OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC.(TICKER: CNNR) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 3, 1990.

(CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. TEL: 408 456-4500)

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#90340c0070 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID BECKERMAN OF 300 ONE TANDY CENTER, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 52,801 SHARES OF AMERICAN FRANCHISE GROUP INC. (TICKER: BUCS) THROUGH GUARDIAN INTL SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(AMERICAN FRANCHISE GROUP INC. TEL: 305 564-5302)

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#90340c0071 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACQUELINE V ULLMER OF 9052 EAST LEHIGH AVE, DENVER, CO 80237, HAS FILED TO SELL 33,334 SHARES OF MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MSCX) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. TEL: 713 977-1312)

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#90340c0072 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL M UTTERBACK OF 19115 CANADIAN CT, GAITHERSBURG, MD 20879, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,500 SHARES OF AGRIPOST INC. (TICKER: AGRI) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 28, 1990.

(AGRIPOST INC. TEL: 305 971-9100)

-30- 410
#90340c0073 12/06/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONATO PIZZUTI OF 500 CHESTNUT ST, LYNNFIELD, MA 01940, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,600 SHARES OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CAPITOL BANCORPORATION TEL: 617 723-5300)

-30- 418
#90340d0000 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 6) - Newly appointed Soviet Interior Minister Boris Pugo on Thursday called on the population to support the police in its crackdown on crime.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has called for "decisive measures" against "those who try to take advantage of the complexities and difficulties of present times," he said in a televised address on the main evening news program.

Mr. Pugo, who is also a member of the communist party secretariat, said Mr. Gorbachev had ordered him to ready all forces for a crackdown on "organised crime, banditism, corruption, speculation, hooliganism and other crimes".

"I call on Soviet public opinion, on the country's entire population and on the mass media to give maximum support to the internal ministry in its fight against crime," Mr. Pugo said.

"The militia (police) and internal ministry troops will make every effort to bring order to the country, in line with the constitution and the law so as to defend citizens and ensure the process of perestroika," he said.

He also said that authorities would take all necessary measures to protect policemen in the carrying out of their duties.

-30- 1345
#90340d0180 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) - Iraq has positioned 30,000 more troops and 200 additional tanks in Kuwait and southern Iraq, while 10,000 more U.S. troops reached the Gulf area, the Pentagon announced Thursday.

Defense Department spokesman Bob Hall said a total of 480,000 Iraqi soldiers were now positioned in Kuwait and nearby areas of Iraq. Mr. Hall said the Iraqi reinforcements sent mainly from areas bordering Iran.

The Pentagon spokesman said Iraq now had pushed its line of defensive troops further west of the Kuwaiti border, a move tailored to challenge a possible flanking move by U.S. or allied troops trying to get around the triple layer of Iraqi defenses in Kuwait.

In his statement to the Senate Armed Services Committee Monday, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Colin Powell said Iraq had placed 450,000 troops in and around Kuwait equipped with 3,800 tanks. Mr. Hall said Iraq had deployed 200 more tanks, for a total of 4,000.

Mr. Hall said Iraq currently had some 2,500 armored troop carriers and infantry fighting vehicles in the area around and including Kuwait, up 300 from the total Gen. Powell had cited to the Senate committee. Mr. Hall said Iraqi artillery pieces also were increased by 200 to a total 2,700.

The Defense Department spokesman announced as well that there were currently more than 250,000 U.S. troops in the Gulf region, up 10,000 from the last figure released by the department November 29.

-30- 1668
#90340d0250 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC. 6) - European Community negotiators Thursday rejected a compromise proposal to cut farm support by 30 percent on a commodity by commodity basis over five years with 1990 as a base period.

In nominal terms, the proposed reduction would be twice as deep as the one offered by the EC, but substantially less than cuts advocated by the United States, in both cases for different base periods of 10 years.

EC farm commissioner Ray MacSharry said it was "not a basis for discussion", a view echoed by the British and Irish farm ministers.

A U.S. source said the proposal was on the agenda of a restricted session Thursday night of a ministerial working party on agriculture chaired by Matts Hellstroem of Sweden. It was contained in a chairman's "non-paper" drawn up by the Swedish minister after all-night private consultations.

The paper proposed specific commitments for gradual cuts in internal support and a lowering of import barriers, as well as for "export competition", a term covering export aids or subsidies.

Chief U.S. negotiator Carla Hills welcomed the call for separate commitments for each of the three categories of support. The EC has insisted on a global commitment covering all of them.

But a U.S. source said the American delegation was not happy with all aspects of the "non-paper", entitled "elements for negotiation of a draft agreement" on farm trade reform.

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#90340d0430 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 6) - China called on Phnom Penh on Thursday to stop creating problems in efforts to settle the 12-year-old Cambodian conflict.

"We hereby urge once again the Phnom Penh side to ... take a practical attitude ... rather than creating difficulties and making it impossible to achieve a comprehensive, just and reasonable settlement of the Cambodian question at an early date," foreign ministry spokesman Li Zhaoxing told a weekly press briefing.

Mr. Li was apparently referring to Phnom Penh Prime Minister Hun Sen's remarks that his government would not accept being dismantled as part of a U.N.-sponsored peace plan which calls for a joint authority to be set up pending elections.

Mr. Li said recent talks between the five permanent U.N. Security Council members -- Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the United States -- and Indonesia in Paris marked an important step forward in the search for a settlement.

Phnom Penh's position was "in fact an attempt to negate the key elements of the framework document adopted by the five permanent Security Council members," Mr. Li said, adding that Phnom Penh was reneging on its commitment to the U.N. plan made at a September meeting of the four warring Cambodian factions in Jakarta.

The factions agreed in Jakarta to set up a Supreme National Council (SNC) to represent Cambodian sovereignty ahead of U.N.-supervised polls. They have since failed to agree on who should head the 12-member SNC.

(Meanwhile in Hanoi, officials said Vietnam still supported the U.N. peace plan and accepted that the world body had a major role to play in settling the conflict.

(A foreign ministry spokesman said charges that Vietnam had rejected the plan were "baseless" but added that the U.N. should respect Cambodia's sovereignty and its people's right to self-determination.

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#90340d0520 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (DEC. 6) - A congressional panel that recently probed Brazil's nuclear program will propose approval of nuclear materials monitoring by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), officials said Thursday.

But the panel said it could not accept IAEA inspections of the country's nuclear programs.

This proposal will be put as an amendment to a bill the same congressional commission is writing to give effective control of the state's nuclear program to the National Congress.

Brazil and Argentina last week approved a Joint Verification and Control System for mutual monitoring of nuclear program activities, in anticipation of subsequent negotiations with the IAEA for installation of an overall international monitoring plan.

Congressmen did not wish to grant the IAEA access to Brazilian nuclear projects, citing a desire "to safeguard Brazilian technology."

They reserved their approvaql to international auditing of existing nuclear material in the country, including such supplies as enriched uranium and plutonium.

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#90340d1080 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANBERRA (DEC. 7) - Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke has warned that Asian-Pacific nations would consider forming their own trade bloc with the United States following the expected collapse of world trade talks in Europe.

Mr. Hawke told parliament Thursday that the failure of the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) talks could mean the world would be plunged into trade blocs.

"If as a result of the intransigence particularly of the Europeans the world is plunged into the insanity of blocs and groups the only responsible thing is for Australia to look to its interests."

That would include a trade bloc involving the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) group, he said.

"We would have to look in this group for the way where we might be able to pool our interests," Mr. Hawke said.

APEC includes the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) (Malaysia,

Singapore, Philippines, Indonesia, Brunei and Thailand) along with Japan, South Korea, the United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand.

(Malaysian Primary Industries Minister Lim Keng Yaik said Thursday in Kuala Lumpur that Malaysia would initiate the setting up of an East Asian trading bloc if the Uruguay Round negotiations fail.)

Mr. Hawke initiated APEC last year to help increase economic cooperation in the region.

When Mr. Hawke proposed its formation in Seoul he said it was designed to strengthen free trade and not become a trade bloc.

But he also said that with a "worst case scenario" outcome of the GATT Uruguay Round, APEC may have to reconsider its role.

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#90340d1100 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (DEC. 6) - Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Tarek Aziz is to meet here with Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti later this month, visiting Iraqi parliamentarians said Thursday.

Italy currently holds the revolving presidency of European Community institutions. Delegation leader Sultan Al Shawi said the talks would probably take place on December 19, after Mr. Aziz visits Washington for talks with U.S. President George Bush on the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Aziz is also due to see Italian Foreign Minister Gianni de Michelis, Mr. Shawi said.

(Earlier the official Iraqi News Agency reported that Mr. Aziz had been invited to visit Italy by Mr. de Michelis following a decision on Tuesday by ministers of the EC that the two men should meet.

After talks lasting more than an hour with Mr. Andreotti, centred on a statement by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that all foreign hostages in Iraq should be freed shortly, Mr. Shawi said the meeting had been "extremely positive and constructive."

He added that the Italian prime minister could do much to smooth the route to peace in the Middle East.

Earlier Thursday Mr. Shawi, here at the invitation of opposition left-wing MPs suggested that Europe could take a position over the Gulf crisis that was "independent of American interests" and favoring a peaceful solution to the conflict.

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#90340d1230 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 6) - China welcomed Thursday the planned opening of direct talks between Iraq and the United States as well as Iraq and the European Community (EC), but called for diplomatic and economic pressures to continue.

"At a critical moment between war and peace, direct dialogue is useful and welcome. We hope that direct dialogue is conducive to a peaceful settlement of the Gulf crisis," foreign ministry spokesman Li Zhaoxing told a press conference.

"At the same time, we hold that the international community should keep its political, diplomatic and economic pressures on Iraq and try to seek a peaceful settlement of the Gulf crisis through every opportunity and way."

Baghdad has accepted offers from the United States and Italy -- the current EC president -- for direct high-level talks on the Gulf crisis, triggered by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90340d1330 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI, (DEC 7) - Thai Foreign Minister Subin Pinkayan is to visit Vietnam in the second half of this month, a Vietnamese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman said.

Vietnamese Interior Minister Mai Chi Tho, meanwhile, will travel to Bangkok from December 12 to 15 at the invitation of his Thai counterpart Banharn Silpa-archa to visit an exhibit of defensive weapons, spokeswoman Ho The Lan said Thursday.

Thailand and Vietnam, who differ sharply on Cambodia, have been moving gradually toward rapprochement as progress is made toward settling the 12-year-old Cambodian conflict.

Bangkok backs the Cambodian guerrillas fighting the Vietnamese-installed government in Phnom Penh.

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#90340d1390 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) - Two weeks of testimony before Congress on the Gulf

crisis have shown that the stiff congressional backing U.S. President George Bush enjoyed at the beginning of the crisis has fallen soggy.

Lawmakers are concerned that the United States has embarked on a path to war and the more troops that are deployed to the Gulf, and the more emphasis that is put on force, the harder it will be to turn back.

Democratic members of Congress have cited the reinforcement last month from 240,000 to almost 400,000 U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, and the U.S.-inspired U.N. resolution authorizing using force against Iraq if it did not withdraw from Kuwait by January 15, as evidence the administration was getting trigger happy before letting economic sanctions against Baghdad take effect.

Giving the sanctions more time to work also is a view echoed by seven former defense secretaries and former top military leaders.

Democratic senators Paul Sarbanes, of Maryland, and Joseph Biden, of Delaware, directed their worry and anger Wednesday at U.S. Secretary of State James Baker when he spoke before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Mr. Sarbanes said almost doubling U.S. forces in the Gulf "almost takes you irresistibly down the path of going to war."

Mr. Biden looked closer to home in his criticism of U.S. policy and Mr. Baker.

"You have a really tough job which is to persuade this Congress and the American people that their sons and daughters, the sons and daughters of this nation, should be sent into battle for that purpose," said Mr. Biden. "Frankly, Mr. Secretary, as you know, I don't think you made the case yet."

Georgia Democrat Sam Nunn, president of the Senate Armed Services Committee, has criticized the administration for being impatient and for passing from a defensive position to a more offensive position in Saudi Arabia.

For two weeks, former high-ranking military and government officials have warned in television interviews that a war with Iraq would be a bloody one and Washington has not fully considered the consequences.

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#90340d1420 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUXEMBOURG, (DEC 7) - The unemployment rate in the European Community (EC) registered a slight rise in October to 8.4 per cent, up from 8.3 per cent the previous month, the EC's bureau of community statistics Eurostat announced on Thursday.

Since last June, the jobless rate in the EC has remained stable with "very weak" fluctuations from one month to the next, but has shown a slight decline

when measured against the previous year, a Eurostat communique said. The rate for October 1989 was 8.7 per cent.

The U.S. unemployment rate was 5.7 per cent in October of this year, up from 5.3 per cent in October 1989. In Japan the October rate remained unchanged at 2.2 per cent from the previous October.

Of the 12 nations in the community, only Britain, Demmark and Portugal have posted an increase in their unemployment figures over the past year.

For the whole of the EC, youth unemployment has dropped from 16.7 per cent in October of last year to 16 per cent in October of this year, Eurostat said.

In the territory of what was formerly West Germany, the tendency towards a drop in unemployment noted over the past few months has continued, according to Eurostat.

Figures from what was East Germany will be integrated into Eurostat tallies beginning next spring, the organization said.

According to statistics given by German authorities, 538,000 people were listed as seeking jobs in October in the five new eastern German states and in eastern Berlin.

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#90340d1490 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (DEC. 7) - New Zealand will permit up to 49.9 percent foreign ownership of television channels instead of the current 15 percent, Broadcasting Minister Maurice Williamson said.

He told Parliament late Thursday that legislation would be introduced before Christmas to change the rules.

New Zealand's only privately owned television network, TV3, is in receivership. NBC of the United States owns a seven per cent shareholding in the company.

Mr. Williamson said the loosening of foreign investment rules was in line with National Party "philosophy" and would have happened regardless of TV3's woes.

Foreign expertise was essential if the broadcasting industry was to expand into areas such as cable, satellite and high-definition television, he said.

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#90340d1540 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (DEC. 7) - A new natural discovery of gas and condensate has been

made in New Zealand, Energy Minister John Luxton said Friday.

The Stratford-1A well is in Taranaki province, south of here, the site of New Zealand's commercial oil and gas fields.

Mr. Luxton said the well produced 5.5 million cubic feet (165,000 cubic meters) of gas and 360 barrels of condensate a day during the first drill stem test.

The government holds a 51 per cent interest in the well with Petrocorp, a subsidiary of Fletcher Challenge Ltd., holding 49 per cent.

Mr. Luxton said in a statement the results from Stratford-1A were very encouraging.

"During drilling several unexpected intervals that may be hydrocarbon-bearing were encountered. Testing of the other promising intervals is likely to take place over the next one to two weeks," he said.

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#90340d1590 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 7) - Sales of new cars in Britain were down 18 per cent in November compared with the figure a year earlier, and fell 12 per cent over the first 11 months of the year, the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders announced here on Thursday.

Despite this serious setback, however, the SMMT said the British market should absorb over two million vehicles this year, compared with 2.3 million last year.

Penetration of the market by foreign cars eased from 56.5 per cent in November 1989 to 54 per cent last month, while it also dropped slightly over 11 months from 57.1 to 56.9 per cent.

Last month 117,499 private cars were sold compared with 143,323 a year earlier. From January to November the total was 1.95 million against 2.21 million in the same period of 1989.

Figures published on Tuesday showed British automobile production climbing over the past few months in spite of the weakness of the domestic market, with the October figures up 19 per cent over those recorded a year earlier.

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#90340d1780 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 7) - Japan's giant international telecommunications carrier Kokusai Denshin Denwa Co. (KDD) is to start a direct satellite service between

Japan and North Korea on December 11, KDD officials said Friday.

The new service, approved by the Post and Telecommunications Ministry Friday, will include three telephone circuits, ten telex circuits and one telegraph circuit, they said.

KDD signed an agreement in Pyongyang on November 29 with North Korea's International Telecommunications Bureau to open a direct circuit via an Intelsat satellite over the Indian Ocean, replacing the current unstable radio short-wave links between the two countries.

Japan is currently moving towards warmer relations with North Korea.

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#90340d5200 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 6) - Japan's Toshiba Corp. said Thursday it had started building a new semiconductor plant expected to cost around 100 billion yen (750 million dollars) over the next two to three years.

The plant, located in the central city of Yokkaichio, is to produce next-generation memory chips to meet future demand among manufacturers of computers, office equipment and audio-visual equipment.

The company, Japan's second-biggest manufacturer of electric machinery, said it would start producing four-megabit dynamic random access memories (DRAM's) in March 1992 with capacity eventually reaching 3.5 million chips a month. The plant will also be able to produce 16-megabit DRAM's, it said.

Four-megabit DRAM's can store about 16 pages of newspaper text and are four times as powerful as the chips which now dominate the market.

Toshiba, which has just completed a new "clean room" at its main semiconductor plant at Oita in southern Japan, currently produces two million four-megabit DRAM's a month.

The company says it expects global demand to soar from 20 million chips this year to 120 million next year with worldwide production of four-megabit DRAM's surpassing the output of one-megabit DRAM's in 1993.

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#90340d5210 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 6) - Japanese sales of imported motor vehicles rose 8.9 per cent from a year earlier to 16,186 units in November, bolstered by sales of Japanese cars assembled in the United States, an industry association said Thursday.

The Japan Automobile Importers Association said that imports of cars alone rose nine per cent to 16,052 units. Sales of cars from the United States soared 150 per cent to 2,363 units, led by those produced by Japanese carmakers which jumped from 59 units in November last year to 1,068 units.

German car sales rose 0.6 per cent to 9,841 units in the same period but sales of British cars dipped 4.4 per cent to 1,400 units while sales of French cars dropped 12.8 per cent to 886 units, the association said.

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#90340d5340 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (DEC. 6) - South Africa's Foreign Minister Pik Botha on Thursday slammed a report by the United Nations Special Committee Against Apartheid as a concoction of outdated prejudices.

The report, central to the U.N. General Assembly's annual debate on apartheid, which began in New York on Wednesday, merely echoed the policies of the black nationalist African National Congress (ANC) and took no account of changes since President Frederik de Klerk assumed office in September 1989.

In a letter to U.N. President Guido de Marco, Mr. Botha called the debate "inappropriate" and "counter-productive."

Decrying the report's promotion of continued "measures aimed at pressurising the South African government into moving in a direction to which it is already committed," Mr. Botha said: "We are aware that this echoes the ANC."

"However, the ANC will one day be required to account to its people for the misery this political strategy has created for them.

"Maintaining sanctions simply causes a delay in restoring our ability to provide jobs and essential services in such fields as education, health and housing to bridge the gap between the haves and have-nots.

"The government requires no inducement to continue the process of constitutional change, as events of the past 12 months have demonstrated," he said. "Our commitment is final."

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#90340d5420 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 6) - British Coal expects to earn 100 million pounds (195 million dollars) this year, its first profit in 13 years, according to its chairman, Lord Haslam.

The positive outlook is expected to improve the chances that British Coal will be privatised.

"Industrial action is rare," said Lord Haslam, who retires soon. "Such disputes as there have been in recent times have been localised and brief. Absenteeism is at record low levels.

Output per manshift had risen from 2.37 tons to more than five tonnes, he said Wedneday adding: "The workforce is younger, fitter and healthier than it's ever been."

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#90340d5450 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (DEC. 6) - Two polls gave Lech Walesa a three-to-one advantage in the runoff Sunday of Poland's first presidential election since the fall of the communist government.

Mr. Walesa was the choice of 60 and 58 per cent of the voters to succeed General Wojciech Jaruzelski, while emigre businessman Stanislaw Tyminksi was picked by 20 and 23 per cent of the respondents.

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#90340d5470 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAMBA, Angola (DEC. 6) - The 15-year-long civil war in Angola, which has claimed some 600,000 lives and which has devastated the economy, has effectively ended, rebel leader Jonas Savimbi said Wednesday.

"We consider sincerely that for us, the war is over," he told a press conference at the headquarters of his National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) guerrilla movement in this south-eastern military encampment.

A de facto ceasefire will immediately exist in the war-ravaged country if, as expected, the Marxist ruling party opts for multi-party democracy during its congress curently being held in the capital Luanda, Mr. Savimbi added.

But he warned that UNITA and other political groups would have to be recognised by the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA), which imposed Soviet-style one-party rule at Angola's independence in 1975.

Opening the congress on Tuesday, Angolan President Jose Eduardo dos Santos said the MPLA "will pursue its reforms until we achieve a multi-party system and a market economy".

He added that "some progress" had been made in the latest round of peace negotiations with UNITA in Portugal - a view endorsed by Mr. Savimbi during Wednesday's press conference attended by journalists flown into and out of Jamba under cover of night.

"We have made good progress ... Before, we were talking through a mediator, now we are talking to the government," Mr. Savimbi said.

He revealed that technical aspects of a ceasefire had been discussed at the talks in Portugal on November 18.

"MPLA forces would be confined to bases while we, being a guerrilla army, would be confined to areas," he said.

But differences still exist over the question of international monitoring, with UNITA favouring the Namibian model in which the United Nations oversees a ceasefire and the process leading up to free, fair and verifiable elections.

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#90340d5510 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (DEC. 6) - British Aerospace and Australian domestic carrier Ansett Airlines opened Thursday what will be the world's largest flying school, especially designed to train pilots from the Asian Pacific rim.

The 70 million dollar (54 million U.S.) school, based at Tamworth 400 miles (700 kilometres) northwest of here, is modelled on a college at Prestwick in Scotland.

College Chairman Alan Notley said that all students would be sponsored by an airline. "The emphasis is on producing airline pilots, not just people who want to fly.

The school will accommodate 224 students, the first of whom start in a year's time.

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#90340d5600 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 6) - Unitika, one of Japan's top textile groups, said Thursday it was negotiating with the French firm Dolfuss Mieg and Cie (DMC) to set up a joint venture in France to produce synthetic fibers for textiles.

The joint venture, to be owned 49 per cent by Unitika and 51 per cent by DCM, should start production in 1992 near Lyons with an investment of 13 billion yen (30 million dollars), the economic newspaper Nihon Keizai Shimbun reported.

Annual production is expected to be 30 million square meters (36 million sq yards) of textiles produced from polyester fiber imported from Japan and finished and dyed at the factory in southeastern France, it said.

Unitika officials refused to confirm the details reported by the Nihon Keizai Shimbun.

The Japanese company, which also specializing in plastic film, is an affiliate of the Sanwa Bank and was formed in 1969 by a merger between Nichibo and Nippon Rayon.

It had a turnover of 264.4 billion yen (two billion dollars) and profits of 13.6 billion yen (30 million dollars) by the close of the fiscal year on March 31.

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#90340d5610 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Cairo (DEC. 6) - Egyptians went to the polls on Thursday in the second round of elections for the 444-seat National Assembly.

A total of 521 candidates are contesting the 261 seats left unfilled after the first round of balloting a week ago.

The National Democratic Party of President Hosny Mubarak won 144 of the 183 seats decided on November 29, independent candidates picked up 38 and the Tagammu Party one seat.

The main opposition parties have called for a boycott of the polls, arguing that voting would be rigged.

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#90340d5620 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 6) - The Chinese government has approved a new bill maintaining preferential treatment in taxation to foreign-funded firms, the China Daily reported Thursday.

The proposed law, which comes as Chinese leaders say they are determined to pursue economic liberalization, guarantees joint ventures set up with foreign capital that they will not face increased taxation, the daily said.

It also aims to harmonize liberal legislation introduced since the early 1980s the official English-language newspaper reported, but gave no further details.

The bill, which was approved by the government on Wednesday, will now go to the standing committee of the National People's Congress.

Chinese newspapers had reported Monday that the government would announce in early 1991 amendments to existing legislation on the termination of joint-venture contracts and the possibility of foreign investors recovering their capital.

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#90340d5650 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEL AVIV (DEC. 6) - Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir left Thursday on a 24-hour visit to Britain before flying on to the United States, where the Gulf crisis is expected to figure high on his agenda.

Mr. Shamir is scheduled to meet British Prime Minister John Major and leaders of the Jewish community in Britain.

In the United States, he will meet President George Bush, Secretary of State James Baker and Defence Secretary Dick Cheney, sources close to Mr. Shamir said.

Mr. Baker reaffirmed Wednesday that the United States would support Israel if it were attacked by Iraq.

"If there is an unprovoked attack against Israel, there would be an appropriate response from the United States," Mr. Baker told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Israel is demanding a commitment from the United States to put an end to the "Iraqi military threat," a diplomatic source in Jerusalem said quoting Foreign Minister David Levy.

Mr. Levy has reportedly urged the U.S. ambassador to Israel, William Brown, to relay the message to the Bush Administration.

Israel has kept a low profile in the Gulf crisis, but the foreign minister's message was seen as a veiled warning to Washington against any compromise that would leave Iraq's military potential intact.

Israel has repeatedly threatened to strike Iraq if its interests were undermined and Baghdad has issued similar warnings while insisting that a solution to the Gulf should be linked to the Palestinian question.

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#90340d5680 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 6) - Japan's biggest aluminium producer Nippon Light Metal Co. Ltd. has set up a Malaysian venture with a unit of Canada's Alcan Aluminium Ltd. to make airconditioner parts, a company spokeswoman said Thursday.

The new company, capitalised at 12 million ringgit (4.4 million dollars), is equally owned by Nippon Light and Aluminium Co. of Malaysia Bhd. Production is due to start in October next year with an annual capacity of 4,800 tonnes of pre-coated aluminium fins, the company said.

"There has been strong demand for Japanese manufacturers of household electric

appliances which have expanded into Southeast Asia to produce pre-coated fins locally and to raise local content," a statement said.

Alcan's holding company in Canada owns 45 per cent of Nippon Light and 64 per cent of the Malaysian partner.

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#90340d5870 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AYODHYA, India (DEC. 6) - Indian police arrested some 350 women here Thursday as they marched on a disputed mosque at the start of a renewed Hindu militant crusade to replace the 16th-century shrine with a temple.

The slogan-chanting women, volunteers of the fundamentalist Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP, World Hindu Council), were peaceful as they gave themselves up for arrest within 400 yards (metres) of the heavily-guarded mosque.

"The (temple) movement will go on, but now is the time to court arrest," their leader Jagadguru Ramanujacharya told the marchers on a loudhailer before they were detained and driven away in three police buses.

Singing devotional songs and chanting slogans in praise of Lord Rama, the women had set off on a two kilometre (1.2 mile) route to the mosque which Hindus believe is the birthplace of Rama, an incarnation of their god Vishnu.

Hundreds of local residents sporting saffron-coloured bandannas came out to shower the marchers with rose petals and gaped at the procession from rooftops and windows, witnesses said.

The women were halted at a spot decided in advance by organisers and the police after inching their way forward for 90 minutes.

"I, the district magistrate, hereby place you under arrest," administrator K. Chandramouli announced on a loudhailer.

Separately, some 18 Hindu youths managed to penetrate police barricades and enter the disputed shrine where they threatened to stage a sit-in, witnesses said. But they left voluntarily on request by the police.

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#90340d5940 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOVER, GERMANY (DEC. 6) - Management and unions at the Volkswagen car manufacturer reached a pay agreement during Wednesday night, concluding negotiations marked by several warning strikes, union sources said.

The IG Metall union said that the pay of about 130,000 employees would be increased by six per cent with effect from November 1.

The length of the working week would be reduced to 36 hours from April 1 1993 and to 35 hours from October 1 1995.

-30- 639
#90340d6000 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEL AVIV (DEC. 6) - A court jailed a senior rabbi for six months on Thursday after finding him guilty of "sexually blackmailing" women who sought his counsel and of having sex in a synagogue, court sources said.

Rabbi Haim Pardes, chief of Tel Aviv's rabbinical tribunal, committed "licentious acts" with women who appeared before him and he confessed to having had sex in a synagogue, according to the sources.

He was also given an 18-month suspended prison sentence and fined 25,000 shekels (12,500 dollars) for "shamefully taking advantage of his judicial status and of the distress of the women who appeared before him".

Rabbinical tribunals in Israel are charged with marital affairs and conversions to Judaism.

Mrs. Shulat Aloni, an MP for the civil rights party, argued that the sentence against Rabbi Pardes was too lenient and called for a review by the High Court.

-30- 1060
#90340d6010 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 6) - The Soviet army will discontinue underground nuclear tests at the Semipalatinsk test site in Kazakhstan in January 1993, press reports said here Thursday.

There will be 18 underground tests in 1991-92, the communist youth daily Komsomolskaya Pravda said, quoting the Kazakhstan government and President Mikhail Gorbachev's defense council.

The Soviet army started transferring testing facilities to the deserted Arctic Ocean island Novaya Zemlya when residents of the southern Soviet republic began complaining about the tests earlier this year.

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#90340d6040 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOI (DEC. 6) - Total oil production from the Bach Ho oil field off Vietnam's southern coast has reached five million tonnes, the official Quan Doi Nhan Dan newspaper said Thursday.

The White Tiger, or Bach Ho, offshore oil field began production five years

ago and is operated by the Soviet-Vietnamese joint venture, Vietsopetro.

Vietnamese officials estimated Vietsopetro's annual output would hit 3.5 million tonnes in 1991, more than one million tonnes up on this year.

They also predicted Vietsopetro would produce 25 million tonnes of oil over the next five years. Vietsopetro is the only oil company currently producing oil in Vietnam.

Two representatives from French oil company Total were in Hanoi to discuss building an oil refinery with an annual capacity of five million tonnes in the country's south, diplomatic sources said here.

Industry sources said Anglo-Dutch giant Shell and Japanese trading house Nissho Iwai were also in the running for the project, which is conceived to meet Vietnam's immediate oil needs of about three million tonnes.

Western sources here said the World Bank has already rejected the project, saying there are enough refineries in Southeast Asia and suggesting that Vietnam have its oil refined in Thailand.

Vietnam lacks heavy refining capacity and exports almost all its crude oil, mainly to Japan, while the Soviet Union has supplied about 80 per cent of its oil needs up until now.

The Soviet Union has said it will halve its oil exports to Vietnam in 1991.

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#90340d6080 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 6) - Telephones went dead Thursday in government ministries, authorities, state concerns, hospitals, radio and news agency offices as Kenya's postal authority carried out its threat to cut off bad bill-payers.

Those affected owe a total of well over a quarter of a million dollars in unpaid bills. At least eleven ministries were cut off, as was Nairobi's Kenyatta National Hospital, the country's biggest.

The action was backed by President Daniel arap Moi, who had given people with outstanding bills - some going back for years - until November 15 to get them paid or be cut off.

Post offices quickly began filling with customers suddenly urgently seeking to pay their bills and get reconnected, press reports said.

Authorities in the town of Nyeri to the north of Nairobi got their revenge by turning off water supplies to all postal employees and buildings.

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#90340d6150 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KARACHI, PAKISTAN (DEC. 6) - Pakistan International Airlines suffered a six million U.S. dollar loss in the fiscal year ending in June after paying government taxes, the airline's board of directors were informed Wednesday.

The airline had earned an operating profit of about 34 million dollars and a net profit of about 13 million dollars during the period. But profits turned into a loss of six million dollars after payment of taxes, according to airline accounts.

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#90340d6210 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAKARTA (DEC. 6) - Indonesia announced measures Thursday to privatise the Jakarta Stock Exchange (JSE) in order to boost the country's capital markets.

The government-owned Stock Market Executive Agency (Bapepam) which manages the JSE, would be replaced by a body that would merely supervise and ensure orderly operation of the exchange, the finance ministry said in a statement.

The new sets of rules, which would be effective as of January 2, also made listing procedures easier and opened mutual funds operation to the private sector, according to the statement.

A presidential decree on which the new regulations were based stipulated that "the stock exchange operation can be entrusted to the private sector."

The JSE is the oldest and by far the largest of Indonesia's two markets. The Surabaya Stock Exchange, opened only last year, was set up by private companies in anticipation of the latest rulings.

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#90340d6220 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 6) - Japan's Kobe Steel Ltd. said Thursday it had won a three-year contract from National Iranian Steel Co. to refurbish a steel plant in Ahwaz for about 10 billion yen (77 million dollars).

The company, one of Japan's largest steelmakers, said it would provide engineering services, production assistance and management know-how as well as training for Iranian workers in Japan.

The Ahwaz complex has been crippled by management, engineering and equipment problems since its completion last year and its annual output of 200,000 tonnes is well below its initial target at 1.5 million tons, a statement said. Kobe said it had already supplied copper and lime plants to Iran.

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#90340d6330 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 6) - The British Grand Met food group on Thursday reported that 1990 annual pre-tax profits had fallen by 25 per cent to 919 million pounds (1.76 billion dollars) from 732 million pounds a year earlier.

The result was in line with analysts' forecasts. Sales totalled 9.34 billion pounds compared with 9.29 billion pounds the previous year.

The sale of the William Hill and Mecca bookmakers to Brent walker had yielded an extraordinary profit of 435 million pounds.

The Burger King chain made an operating profit of 125 million pounds compared with 76 million during nine months of the previous year.

Profits per share were 64.1 pence, an increase of 15.3 pence over the figure the previous year.

A final dividend of 12.8 pence was declared making a total dividend of 20.4 pence compared with 17.6 pence

Grand Met shares rose by five pence to 617 pence.

Company chairman Sir Allen Sheppard said that 1991 looked like being a difficult year because of the fall of the dollar, falling property sales, and increased taxes.

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#90340d6540 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC. 6) - IRA suspect Donna Maguire is to be extradited to the Netherlands to face murder charges arising from the mistaken slaying of two Australian lawyers at Roermond in May.

The Belgian justice ministry said it would not give the exact extradition date for security reasons. Miss Maguire, 23, was arrested in Belgium in June near the Dutch border. Her companions escaped but were subsequently caught in the Netherlands.

Germany has also asked for her extradition in connection with attacks on British troops. Under a Benelux treaty, she could be transferred there after completion of the Dutch case, the ministry said.

Irish police first arrested her in July 1989, and released her last February for lack of evidence.

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#90340d6590 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KARACHI, PAKISTAN (DEC. 6) - The Karachi cotton exchange was closed Thursday in protest of the kidnapping of a leading cotton merchant here, business sources said.

Nizam Hashwani, known as the "cotton king", was abducted by three armed men from outside his office Wednesday, police said. A school-age son of another prominent businessman was also kidnapped.

The Karachi Cotton Association, in a statement condemning the abduction of Mr. Hashwani, decided that cotton markets in the city would close for the day.

The Karachi business community has been plagued by such abductions for ransom in the last few months.

Pakistan's cabinet, headed by Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, this week approved a law mandating the death penalty or life in prison for kidnappers.

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#90340d6610 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 6) - Japan's Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. will develop and sell an engineering workstation based on the SPARC microprocessor of the U.S. company Sun Microsystems, the Japanese company said.

Under a basic agreement reached between the two companies, the Japanese electronics giant will also sell Sun workstations in Japan under its own name, according to a Matsushita announcement.

Sun Microsystems, based in Mountain View, California, is the world's top workstation maker with a market share of 30 per cent.

Matsushita will be licensed to use the design concept of Sun's reduced instruction set computing (RISC) microprocessor, SPARC, and its operating system with Japanese language capability, the announcement said.

It will also put on the Japanese market in April workstations supplied by the Japanese subsidiary of Sun Microsystems with annual sales targeted at 1,000 units in the initial year.

The deal will strengthen Matsushita's position in the workstation market, analysts said. The U.S. Solbourne Computer Inc., owned 52 per cent by Matsushita, has been producing a 64-bit microprocessor Sun clone.

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#90340d6640 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 6) - NATO defense ministers convened here Thursday for two days of talks focussing on the Gulf crisis and a new military strategy taking into account the end of the Cold War.

At the meeting U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney will repeat a request to North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies for logistical help for U.S. troops in the Gulf, according to a senior U.S. NATO official.

The United States reportedly need ships and planes to transport the extra troops being sent to the Gulf to boost the total number of U.S. soldiers there to 400,000 by the beginning of next year. The official said the United States also needed "chemical warfare protection suits".

Since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2 several NATO members, notably Britain, France, Germany and Italy, have already supplied the United States with roll-on-roll-off vessels or planes to transport heavy equipment such as tanks.

But the official said "the airlift and sealift requirements would be there for a long time."

He said the United States had "requirements for transportation assistance through ports in Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands". Between 75,000 and 100,000 U.S. soldiers, almost half the total stationed in Europe, have already been sent to the Gulf through these ports or will be by year's end.

Defense ministers, in a joint meeting of the Defense Planning Committee and the Nuclear Planning Group, will also discuss cuts in short-range nuclear forces (SNF) which have a range of less than 500 kilometers (310 miles) and are mostly deployed in Germany.

The United States and the Soviet Union were to start talks on these cuts after the signing in Paris last month of the treaty on conventional troop reductions in Europe (CFE) under an agreement reached at a NATO summit in London earlier this year.

Senior NATO officials said that a formal decision on a reform of the Alliance's military strategy should not be expected before early next year.

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#90340d6960 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 6) - Britain on Thursday welcomed reports that President Saddam Hussein would release foreign hostages in Iraq but said he must also fulfil the other United Nations resolutions.

"We greatly welcome (the news). We have been pressing throughout for the

return of all hostages, and the sooner the better", said Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd in a statement released in London.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that if Mr. Hussein released the hostages "it would mean that he will have fulfilled one of the security council's resolutions".

"There are others for him to fulfil", he said.

The spokesman said the British embassy authorities in Baghdad had been informed of the plan to release foreign hostages by Iraqi officials earlier Thursday.

Britain said there were a total of 443 British nationals still in Kuwait, six of whom were recently detained by Iraqi troops, and 725 in Iraq, 343 of which were being held at strategic sites.

It was still not clear when the hostages would begin flying out of Iraq.

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#90340d6990 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT-AU-PRINCE (DEC. 6) - Haitian presidential favourite, Father Jean-Bertrand Aristide has called for the arrest of Neo-Duvalierist leader Doctor Roger Lafontant following an attack Wednesday on a political rally at which five people were killed and 54 injured.

Father Aristide called on Radio Antilles International for Dr. Lafontant's arrest within hours of an attack on a rally he had held at Petionville south of Port-au-Prince.

According to witnesses, unidentified gunmen drove by the rally site, where thousands had turned out in support of the Roman Catholic priest, and fired indiscriminately into the crowd. The shooting was followed by a powerful blast.

The bodies of two young women and three youths were later seen at Port-au-Prince hospital. Several other people had serious burns and Jacques Bernrdin, an official of the National Front for Change and Democracy which supports Fr. Aristide, was shot in the attack, the private Radio-Metropole said.

Fr. Aristide had left the rally just before the attack.

Fr, Aristide, who is tipped to win the December 16 presidential election, accused Mr. Lafontant of sponsoring the attack and called for him to be arrested for issuing "threats to the democratic sector" on a private television channel on Tuesday night.

-30- 1488
#90340d7080 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VATICAN CITY (DEC. 6) - The Vatican and Bulgaria have decided to establish diplomatic relations at ambassador level, it was announced here Thursday.

The Vatican has now established diplomatic ties with most east European countries, beginning with Poland last year and followed by Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Romania and the Soviet Union.

The majority of the Bulgarian population of 10 million belongs to the Orthodox church. Roman Catholics number about 70,000.

Although in a minority the Catholic church has played a major role in Bulgarian history, the Vatican said in an apparent reference to persecutions during the Stalin era.

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#90340d7260 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 6) - Iran and France showed their desire to settle financial differences over the French Eurodif uranium plant on Thursday during a visit by Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati.

"We discussed bilateral relations, including financial differences and difficulties, and the two countries decided to settle these problems and to do away with them," Mr. Velayati said after a meeting lasting 80 minutes with Prime Minister Michel Rocard.

The Iranian minister, who had met French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas late on Wednesday, also met Finance Minister Piere Beregevoy on Thursday.

"When one talks, there are always solutions," Mr. Beregevoy said.

Mr. Rocard raised bilateral economic disputes, human rights, and the Gulf crisis with Mr. Velayati, French officials said.

The financial problem centred on a residual amount and interest arising from a loan of one billion dollars by the Shah of Iran to France in 1974 for construction of the Eurodif uranium enrichment plant at Tricastin in France.

France has repaid 630 million dollars. Eurodif holds that Iran did not meet obligations to buy 10 per cent of enriched uranium produced by the plant and to participate in the cost of operating the plant.

A French consortium of Framatome, Alsthom and Spie-Batignolles, holds that it was prejudiced after the Iranian Islamic revolution in 1979 by the breaking of an agreement for the construction of two nuclear power stations in Iran.

Since 1986 they have claimed 14 billion francs (about 2.8 billion dollars) in damages and interest from Iran, representing five billion francs for the consortium and nine billion francs concerning Eurodif.

On Thursday the two sides confirmed their desire to reach a settlement quickly.

A procedure was agreed and the two sides hope to make rapid progress and to reach agreement at ministerial level.

Informed sources said that the two negotiators, French foreign ministry official Francois Scheer and Iranian Vice Foreign Minister Mahmud Vaezi, were due to meet in Paris soon.

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#90340d7300 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 6) - The Ethiopian air force has bombed a town in the northern province of Wollo, killing 18 people and wounding six, the rebel Tigre People's Liberation Front (TPLF) claimed Thursday.

Rebel radio, monitored here, said Mekane Selame was attacked Sunday in the second bombing of the town in the past two weeks.

Government planes had bombed the town on November 24, killing four people, the radio said.

The TPLF has been fighting since 1977 to topple the government of President Mengistu Haile Mariam.

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#90340d7330 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 6) - Japan's Honshu Paper Co. Ltd. has met with a Singapore investor who has acquired options on a third of its shares but is still unsure of his motives, a spokesman for the leading paper manufacturer said Thursday.

The spokesman said Oei Hong Leong, president of diversified property, shipping and manufacturing concern United Industrial Corp., visited Honshu's headquarters in Tokyo Wednesday but refused to disclose details of the talks.

"At this stage, he is only holding options and is not yet a shareholder," he said. "Our decision depends on whether he exercises them or not."

Mr. Oei, the son of an Indonesian tycoon and now a resident of Singapore, acquired the options through a family-owned company called Dituka (HK) Ltd.

The options carry a strike price of 3,000 yen (22.55 dollars), compared with

Thursday's close of 2,130 yen (16 dollars), and expire on February 28. Options carry the right but not the obligation to buy or sell a company's shares.

If exercised, a move which would require more than 340 billion yen (2.6 billion dollars), Dituka would become the biggest shareholder in Japan's fifth-largest paper manufacturer with an estimated stake of 33.4 per cent.

The Singapore businessman told a news conference in Tokyo Wednesday he had no plan to greenmail the company by exercising the options and forcing management to buy back the shares at a higher price, news reports said.

Mr. Oei reportedly said he was interested in Honshu's extensive property interests and was seeking a "friendly tie-up" with the company. He was also quoted as saying he would raise funds from United Industrial as well as non-Japanese banks if he decided to exercise the options.

Japanese news reports meanwhile said Mr. Oei may be interested in forging a link with an Indonesian paper manufacturer owned by his brother while others say he may be acting on behalf of a group of Japanese speculators.

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#90340d7360 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (DEC. 6) - Malaysia banned imports of livestock from Thailand with immediate effect on Thursday, after eight head of cattle brought in from its northern neighbour were found to have foot-and-mouth disease.

The eight animals were among 29 imported on November 28 and the disease was spotted when they were in quarantine, Bernama news agency said.

The ban will remain in force until the veterinary services department is certain that cows, buffaloes, sheep and goats from Thailand are free of the disease, Bernama quoted the department's director-general Ahmad Mustaffa Babjee as saying.

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#90340d7400 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (DEC. 6) - Malaysia's economy is expected to slow down in the early 1990s because it is overheating after several years of rapid expansion, the Malaysian Institute of Economic Research (MIER) said Thursday.

The MIER, an independent think-tank, predicted that Malaysia's economic growth rate would fall from 10 per cent this year to 6.3 per cent next year, five per cent in 1992 and hover around 4.8 per cent between 1993 and 1997.

Growth is expected to pick up after that to reach seven per cent by the year 2000, according to papers presented at the MIER's annual national outlook

conference.

The MIER said other factors that would cause a slow-down were the high inflation rate, a war in the Gulf, a global slowdown, rising protectionism and formation of trade blocs.

The petrochemicals industry will be one of the fastest-growing industries in Malaysia over a five-year period from 1992 with investments amounting to more than five billion Malaysian dollars (1.85 billion U.S.), the institute said.

Figures released last week by the trade ministry showed investment approvals for the first 10 months of the year amounted to 33.45 billion Malaysian dollars (12.4 billion U.S.), exceeding the year's target by three billion dollars (1.1 billion U.S.).

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#90340d7490 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 6) - Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party approved a diluted plan Thursday for levying a new tax on land ownership, which analysts said is too conservative to stop land price spirals.

The conservative party's panel on tax reforms said it has set the land holding tax at 0.2 per cent for 1992 and 0.3 per cent for 1993 and after, against an originally proposed rate of 0.5 per cent.

Masajuro Shiokawa, chairman of the panel, modified the rate in face of stiff objections from the ruling party concerned about its performance in local elections in April, press reports said.

According to the plan, the new tax will be levied on properties worth one billion yen (7.7 million dollars) or more, against an original floor of 500 million yen (3.8 million dollars).

The proposed tax will also have several exemptions.

It will not apply to land owned by central or local governments or that being used for public purposes and residential lots of 1,000 square meters or less owned by private citizens will be also exempt.

Thus the nex tax will affect up to 5,000 individual and corporate taxpayers, mostly big businesses, analysts said.

"We protest against the scheme that has diluted the tax plan," the main opposition Japan Socialist Party said in a statement. "At such a low tax rate and with expanded exemptions, we can hardly expect the tax to have impact on land prices."

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#90340d7550 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 6) - Several movements of Chinese dissidents abroad are organizing an international campaign to have human rights respected in China, the Federation for Democracy in China (FDC) announced here Thursday.

An FDC representative said the high point of the campaign would be demonstrations in several countries on Sunday. The French branch of the FDC and another dissident group is meanwhile collecting signatures and sending letters to French politicians to alert them to the state of human rights in China and notably the trials of dissidents there.

Two Chinese intellectuals, Wang Juntao and Chen Ziming, have recently been officially charged in China, with four other dissidents, Wang Dan, Liu Xiaobo, Bao Zunxin and Chen Xiaoping, in connection with their pro-democracy activities.

The FDC, which plans to hold its demonstration on Sunday outside the Chinese Embassy here, is calling for trials in open court, in the presence "of foreign observers and the international press".

Sunday's rally here will be attended by former FDC president, the political analyst Yan Jiaqi, and Chinese expatriates and national and international human rights organizations have been asked to take part.

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#90340d7560 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (DEC. 6) - A demonstration by about 4,000 Hindus who want to raze a mosque in the northern Indian city of Ayodhya and build a temple in its place was unexpectedly peaceful, the United News of India (Uni) news agency reported Thursday.

Uni said that about 20,000 Hindus who had gathered in the city obeyed police orders to stay away from the proposed construction site.

Of the approximately 4,000 Hindus defying the order, 1,161 who advanced to within 300 metres of the 462-year-old Babri Masjid mosque to protest peacefully against the government's efforts to prevent the construction of the temple were arrested by evening.

On October 30 and then again on November 2, several dozen radical Hindus trying to storm the site and tear down the mosque had been shot to death by police.

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#90340d7700 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Jerusalem (DEC. 6) - Israel bolstered its military forces in the West Bank and Gaza Strip Thursday as senior army officers voiced fears that the three-year-old intifada was about to turn into an armed uprising.

Late Wednesday, armed Palestinans opened fire on a civilian bus riding to a West Bank Jewish settlement, while in Gaza a Jewish border policeman was injured by Palestinian gunfire. The attacks, in which three people were moderately injured, brought to 24 the number of times firearms have been used by Palestinians in the last three months in addition to the planting of 26 bombs.

Speaking on army radio, the military commander of the Rammalla area conceded that ''we have had an escalation''. But both Prime Minister Itzhak Shamir and Police Minister Ronnie Milo warned the Palestinians against increasing the violence any further.

''Violence will achieve nothing,'' Shamir told reporters before leaving for talks with British Prime Minister John Major and U.S. President George Bush. ''Israel will overcome this.''

Palestinian use of weapons, said Milo, ''would cause them to feel a mighty blow from the police and army.''

Security forces were also on the lookout for armed Jewish attacks on Palestinians as Jewish extremists commemorated the 30th mourning day after the murder of Rabbi Me'ir Kahane, leader of the racist Kach movement.

Two Palestinians were reported killed as suspected collaborators, army and Palestinians sources said. The dead were named as Hassan Hashash, 29, from the Balata refugee camp, and Hussein Sayed, a 50-year-old pharmacist from Ramallah.

Shops and businesses in most of the West Bank and Gaza Strip were closed as the extremist Islamic Jihad movement called a general strike to commemorate the third anniversary of the intifada.

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#90340d7720 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 6) - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, welcoming reports on Iraq's decision Thursday to release all foreign hostages, said he hoped for a peaceful settlement of the Gulf crisis based on U.N. resolutions.

"The government for its part will make every preparation, including the dispatch of aircraft, to realise an early homecoming of Japanese nationals," Mr. Kaifu said in a statement.

He said he hoped Iraq's decision would serve as a "first step toward a just

and peaceful settlement of the present crisis" in accordance with resolutions by the U.N. Security Council.

The resolutions demand among others the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

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#90340d7860 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (DEC. 6) - Several hundred people demonstrated here Thursday against a call for greater sexual freedom issued by President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani.

Islamic militants from districts in southern Teheran chanted slogans demanding "respect for Islamic laws" and a "struggle against corruption."

Several dozen women took part in the gathering in the center of the capital, as security forces deployed on sidestreets.

Tracts distributed at the rally recalled a warning against "a return to the situation of women before the Islamic revolution" of 1979 and appealed to "brave young Moslems to struggle against the spread of corrupt Western culture."

Mr. Rafsanjani at prayers last Friday issued a plea for a liberalization in Iran's attitude toward sex, arguing that "men and women should be able to see each other without having to be legally married."

His remarks came as a bombshell and triggered an outcry among hardline conservatives.

The president's sermon suggested that sexual relations between unmarried couples, currently punishable by flogging, should be permitted.

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#90340d7880 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (DEC. 6) - Political choices made by Jordan both in the Gulf crisis and on the Palestinian question have provoked a drastic cut in foreign aid and are directly responsible for the nation's current economic crisis, observers said.

King Hussein of Jordan, a traditional ally of the United States, has chosen to save his kingdom's very existence by sacrificing its prosperity, the observers explained.

Jordan's foreign debt has risen steadily since 1988 and now amounts to 8.3 billion dollars. Jordanian officials forecast that as a result of the Gulf crisis they will lose a billion dollars in 1990 and 2.5 billion in 1991.

King Hussein went against U.S. wishes where the Palestinian question is concerned, when in July 1988 he decided to cut links between Jordan and the West Bank. The U.S. wanted him to dispute the PLO's monopoly on representation for the Palestinians.

As a result, the United States cut financial aid from 9.5 million Jordanian dinars (28.5 million dollars at the then rate of exchange) in 1987 to 5.5 million (now worth 8.25 million dollars) in 1989, according to Jordanian central bank figures.

In August 1988 the Jordanian dinar, which was worth three dollars, began a steady slide until it is now worth only half that.

In Jordanian political circles it is believed the United States then incited rich Arab nations to cut their aid programmes to the kingdom.

Saudi Arabia, which gave 9.4 million dinars (28.2 million dollars at the then rate of exchange) in 1987, gave only three million dinars (now worth 4.5 million dollars) in 1989 and Kuwait, which gave 3.1 million dinars (9.3 million dollars) in 1987 gave just 645,000 dinars (967,500 dollars) last year.

By refusing to join the anti-Iraq coalition centered around the United States and Saudi Arabia, King Hussein took into consideration that Iraq had in the past decade become his nation's chief trading partner. Jordan's only sea port, Aqaba, earned more than two-thirds of its income from Iraqi-generated business before the invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

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#90340d7960 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (DEC. 6) - The U.S. automotive giant General Motors finished two days of talks here Thursday on the possibility of setting up a car assembly plant in Poland.

The Polish press agency Pap reported that the talks concerned the possibility that Opel cars, those made by Gm's subsidiary in Germany, could be manufactured at the plant to be located in Warsaw.

The Gm delegation met top-level Polish government officials as well as with presidential candidate Lech Walesa, Pap said.

Poland currently produces Fiat cars under license. The Italian company is also interested in reaching a new license production agreement with Warsaw for medium-sized cars.

Disclosure of the Gm-Poland negotiations came a day after the Opel company, in Ruesselsheim, Germany, said it had been given the green light by Gm to build a car factory in the former East Germany in what would be a 660 million dollar

investment.

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#90340d8380 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LUSAKA (DEC. 6) - Zambia Consolidated Copper Mines (ZCCM) made a pre-tax profit of 164.5 million U.S. dollars for the quarter ended September 30, against one of 68.3 million dollars in the corresponding quarter of 1989, the company's spokesman announced on Thursday.

The spokesman said after taking into account exchange losses, interest, taxation and other items, the company made a net profit of 31.2 million dollars. In the same quarter last year, ZCCM made a net profit of 19.8 million dollars.

The spokeman also said total revenue for the quarter in question was 409.2 million dollars, an increase of about 117 per cent over the 188 million dollars achieved in the September quarter of 1989.

"The higher sales revenue was mainly due to depreciation of the kwacha (the Zambian currency) against major currencies," said the spokesman.

He also said copper production for the quarter under review, at 111,942 tonnes was 1,366 tonnes lower than the 113,308 tonnes achieved in the previous corresponding quarter.

Ninety per cent of Zambia's foreign exchange earnings comes from copper exports.

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#90340d8460 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 6) - British customs officers have seized a record 203 kilos (447 pounds) of heroin, worth some 20 million pounds (35 million dollars), hidden aboard two Turkish lorries in Dover, they announced Thursday.

A customs spokesman said the lorry drivers were arrested and charged in the south-eastern English Channel port last Friday, but the operation had been kept secret until the arrest overnight Wednesday of a third man, a Turk, in London.

The haul, the biggest ever by British customs, brings to more than 500 kilos (1,000 pounds) the amount of heroin seized this year, another record. In October, Dover customs officers impounded 60 kilos of heroin brought in by another Turkish lorry.

All three vehicles, officially carrying textiles, had driven across Europe before arriving in England on ferries from Ostend in Belgium.

"This confirms our concern with the Balkan route, with lorries from Turkey coming overland to supply heroin in the United Kingdom and to other countries in western Europe," Customs Chief Investigation Officer Douglas Tweddle said.

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#90340d8720 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 6) - The Paris Bourse put on a strong performance on Thursday following Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's decision to free hostages held in Iraq, bringing stock prices back up to the level they had left behind on August 17, operators said.

The market had been fairly firm for a few days, but Thursday brought a "party atmosphere" to the Bourse palace, they said.

The CAC-40 stock price index jumped by 1.99 per cent on the day, after having been as much as 2.80 per cent ahead during the session.

Even before the announcement about the hostages, the session had started out on a firm note thanks to lower oil prices, which dropped further when the announcement was made in Baghdad, as did long-term interest rates. The latter decline also encouraged Bourse investors.

As a logical consequence, oil stocks fell on the Bourse, Total losing 6.7 per cent, Elf Aquitaine 5.5, and Esso 4.2 per cent.

Other leading issues were sought after, and Saint Gobain rose by six per cent on the day, LVMH 4.8, Lafarge four, and Societe Generale bank 3.7 per cent.

Concept rocketed by a spectacular 43 per cent on volume of 26,000 shares. Quotation resumed Thursday morning after a suspension in connection with a takeover bid for the firm floated by Altus Finance. Conept subsidiary CCMC rose 10 per cent.

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#90340d8880 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 6) - Two suspected members of the Irish Republican Army were sentenced to 30 years in prison by a court here Thursday following their conviction on charges of plotting terror bombings.

The court was told that Liam O dhuibhir and Damine McComb were surprised by the police last year while digging up arms and explosives hidden in a cache on the Welsh coast.

Police said they recovered a list with names of Ira targets, including members of the British government, in a flat linked to the two men.

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#90340d9030 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SANTIAGO (DEC. 6) - U.S. President George Bush travelled to Chile Thursday for an official visit marking the normalization of relations with Chile's new democracy after 17 years of tensions under the former military regime of General Augusto Pinochet.

Mr. Bush was greeted on his arrival by President Patricio Aylwin and by Gen. Pinochet, now Commander in Chief of the Army.

"Chile's return to the ranks of the world's democracies is cause for pride and celebration," Mr. Bush said in his arrival statement as Mr. Aylwin, elected a year ago and inaugurated in March, looked on.

"We welcome you with joy," Mr. Aylwin told Mr. Bush, the first U.S. president to visit his country since Dwight Eisenhower in 1960.

In a later press conference, Mr. Bush welcomed welcomed Iraq's decision to free all its foreign hostages, but reiterated his determination to force Baghdad's complete withdrawal from Kuwait.

"This would be welcome if true, but it will not change my thinking on his need to comply, 100 per cent, without conditions, to the U.N. resolutions" demanding Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait, he said.

Chilean Foreign Minister Enrique Silva Cimma said in a television interview that Mr. Bush was showing "extraordinary interest and caring" for Latin America by visiting the region in the midst of the turmoil caused by the Gulf crisis. Before coming to Chile, Mr. Bush visited Brazil, Uruguay and Argentina and will finish his six-day tour of South America in Venezuela.

Shortly before Mr. Bush's arrival, a small bomb exploded inside a recently opened McDonald's restaurant here, the latest of a series of anti-U.S. sabotage over the past 24 hours. Bombs were also set off at five Mormon temples and in front of the U.S. consulate here.

The Communist Party held an anti-U.S. demonstration in downtown Santiago Wednesday which was dispersed by police with water cannon.

-30- 2084
#90340d9160 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 6) - Three-month copper prices firmed on Thursday on the London Metal Exchange (LME), as concern grew about the impact of civil unrest in Zaire on supplies.

Zaire is the fifth-largest producer of copper in the world. Until this week

the relatively prosperous copper-producing areas had been unaffected by the unrest, but news that it had spread to the key exporting port of Matadi had an impact on sentiment.

In after-hours kerb trading, three-month copper was quoted at 1,303 pounds per tonne, the same value at which it finished the afternoon ring, but up from the close Wednesday at 1,297 pounds.

Aluminium was also stronger, being quoted at 1,583 dollars per pound on the kerb and at the end of the afternoon ring, up from 1,534 dollars at the close Wednesday.

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#90340d9170 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (DEC. 6) - Torrential rains in Peru have killed at least 11 people, including five peasants buried in their homes under an avalanche, Civil Defense officials said Thursday.

The avalanche in the mountain village of Huamaturo, 500 kilometers (310 miles) sourth of here, was caused by heavy flooding in the area. Twenty other homes were also buried, along with crops and farm animals.

Civil Defense officials feared more bodies could be found as rescuers dug in the mud.

Police said a family of five and a driver were killed when their truck was swept off the road by another rock and mudslide near Junin, 300 kilometers (186 miles) east of here.

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#90340d9330 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 6) - Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said here Thursday that Israel would not take part in an international peace conference that would determine the fate of the Palestinians under Israeli rule.

"I think that Israel will not agree that any foreign body will decide on its future," Mr. Shamir said after holding talks with British Prime Minister John Major.

"We do not participate in it and we will not accept it," Mr. Shamir added.

Asked to comment on reports that all foreign hostages were to be freed by Iraq Mr Shamir said that he had received no confirmation and would have to wait and see.

Mr. Shamir travels to Washington Friday for talks with President George Bush.

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#90340d9400 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 6) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

Cash Forward
Copper 1,304.00 (1,288.00) 1,302.50 (1,296.50)
Lead 329.00 (330.50) 336.50 (339.50)
Zinc Sh 1,252.50 (1,244.00) 1,237.00 (1,233.50)
Tin 5,685.00 (5,735.00) 5,785.00 (5,792.50)
Aluminium 1,552.50 (1,499.00) 1,586.50 (1,533.50)
Nickel 8,287.50 (8,162.50) 8,117.50 (8,037.50)
(the last three in dollars per ton)

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#90340d9490 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TUNIS (DEC. 6) - PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's decision Thursday to release all foreign hostages would promote a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

Mr. Arafat said Mr. Hussein's "courageous initiative" would help "create a favorable climate for a peaceful and political solution to the Gulf crisis," according to the Palestinian WAFA news agency.

The Palestine Liberation Organization leader made the remarks while greeting at his Tunis headquarters the ambassadors of the permanent United Nations Security Council members, except the United States, as well as the ambassador of the European troika.

During the meeting, Mr. Arafat informed his guests of the results of a meeting in Baghdad among the Iraqi president, King Hussein of Jordan and Yemen's vice president, Ali Salem el-Beid.

The mini-summit of Iraq's allies had responded favorably to plans for a Washington-Baghdad dialogue, while still stressing the need to reach a comprehensive settlement of all Mideast problems.

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#90340d9630 12/06/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) - The United State believes that its tactics during the Gulf crisis have paid off.

The decision by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on Thursday to release all

Western hostages showed that Washington's carrot and stick policy against Saddam had now produced its first major result, observers said.

U.S. President George Bush and leading members of his administration have repeatedly stressed that only the ''credible'' threat of military action against Iraq would force Saddam to withdraw his troops from Kuwait and free the hostages.

They have maintained that the United Nations-imposed economic sanctions against Iraq are not enough.

However, an element of caution was mixed today with the hope that a breakthrough may have taken place and might lead to a diplomatic solution of the Gulf crisis.

Observers pointed out that the Iraqi president has too often tried to split the multinational alliance against him since his army occupied the oil-rich emirate of Kuwait on August 2.

-30- 1201

#90340e0019 12/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PARIS (DEC 6) EFE - France reacted cautiously to the announcement that President Saddam Hussein had proposed freeing all foreign hostages held by Iraq and said it had not received official confirmation of the news.

+France has always requested the immediate and unconditional release of the hostages and the application without conditions of United Nations resolutions + a Foreign Ministry spokesman said.

Iraq released all 300 French hostages on October 23.

The United Nations Security Council has adopted 12 resolutions against Iraq since it occupied Kuwait. They include demands for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait, the unconditional release of all hostages and the threat of military action against Baghdad unless it quits Kuwait by Janaury 15.

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#90340e0021 12/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (DEC. 6) EFE - A Colombian hitman has claimed he was hired by the notorious Medellin drug smuggling cartel to kill President Cesar Gaviria as he was campaigning for the elections late last year, but had finally decided against carrying out the attack.

The man, who was not identified, appeared on television late Wednesday admitting he had been asked to blow up a bus packed with dynamite in the area where then Liberal Party candidate Gaviria was campaigning in the central

department of Risaralda.

But the hitman told the TV-HOY programme that he had repented at the last moment, deciding it was +not logical to spill anymore blood in Colombia+.

Two other hitmen were also to have taken part in the December 1989 attack, although he did not say what happened to them.

The unidentified man said he had received his instructions from Medellin cartel leaders including John Jairo Arias Tascon, who was killed during a shootout with security forces in July.

After confessing the assassination plan to authorities he said he had been offered protection. But this was later turned down and the man said he now feared for his life.

Gaviria was sworn-in as president in early August. The previous Liberal Party presidential candidate, Luis Carlos Galan, was killed by gunmen allegedly in the pay of the Medellin drug barons in August 1989.

Hundreds of people have been killed in the war between the drug cartels and the security forces since then.

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#90340e0023 12/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

N'Djamena (DEC. 6) EFE - Gen. Idriss Deby, whose rebel army seized control of Chad last weekend, will stay in power for at least a year at the head of a newly appointed Council of State, a Council spokesman said Thursday.

The 32-member Council will run the government until democratic elections are held and replaces the government of ousted president Hissen Habre, the spokesman said.

In the meantime, Deby has invited Chadian political exiles to return home without fear of reprisals. Ex-president Goukouni Oueddei, deposed in 1982 by Habre and exiled in Libya, was considering coming back, the spokesman said.

After fleeing before Deby's rebel Patriotic Salvation Movement (MPS) troops marched into N'Djamena on Sunday, Habre found refuge in the town of Maroua in neighboring Cameroun. On Wednesday he moved to the capital, Yaounde.

He was deposed after a three-week offensive launched from Sudan by the MPS which obtained 40 per cent of its arms from Libya, according to diplomats.

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#90340e0040 12/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ATHENS (DEC. 6) EFE - Greece's 48-hour general strike lost momentum on its second day Thursday with government officials saying that only 17 per cent of the labor force failed to show up for work.

Even trade union officials, who reported that more than a million workers stayed at home Wednesday, said the stoppage was less effective Thursday.

They blamed dwindling support on strike weariness and said workers wanted more talks with the government and showed a willingness to back down on some of their demands.

The strike, the seventh since the conservative government of Prime Minister Constantine Mitsotakis took over in April, was called by the main trade union organization, the Greek General Confederation of Labor (GSEE), to protest a government bill aimed at limiting labor stoppages.

The Association of Public Employees, representing 1.5 million civil servants, teachers, transport, hosptial and post office workers, had said its members would join the strike for 24 hours Thursday.

But, if government figures were correct, their support appeared to be minimal.

All but 18 per cent of train services were running normally and flights of the state-owned airline, Olympic Airways, were operating on schedule, according to company officials. Public offices and the electricity and water services were also reported to be functioning.

But Athens was hit by traffic chaos as a restriction on the number of private vehicles allowed to circulate in the city center was lifted to compensate for the lack of buses. Only 250 of the capital's 1,650 buses were in service Thursday.

Official estimates reckon the first day's strike cost the economy dlrs seven million.

Further protests were expected Saturday when airport workers have said they would stage a four-hour stoppage.

The draft anti-strike law, which would allow employers to sack workers participating in strikes declared illegal by labor courts, is being debated in parliament and is due to be voted Saturday.

Its introduction follows a highly unpopular austerity program designed to cut a dlrs six billion deficit in social security services and an annual inflation rate of 22 per cent.

The bill also provides for the recruiting of emergency personnel to keep essential services in operation during strikes and calls for a halt to state

support for unions.

Opposition socialist parties and the communists have labelled the project +anti-democratic and anti-constitutional+ and said it would abolish the right to strike.

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#90340e0041 12/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (DEC 6) EFE - The parliament of the Soviet republic of Kazakhstan has banned nuclear weapons testing in its territory where the oldest test site in the nation is located, the Soviet news agency TASS reported Thursday.

The legislative assembly of the southern republic also called on the Soviet authorities to move faster on compensation for people affected by "the long years of nuclear tests" at the Semipalatinsk testing site.

The ban came in response to pressure from Kazakhstanis to end the tests because of the harmful effects on health.

Nuclear weapons testing at Semipalatinsk, which opened in 1949, were carried out in the open air until 1963 when underground trials began.

The underground tests ceased in November 1989.

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#90340e0042 12/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PORT-AU-PRINCE (DEC 6) EFE - A Roman Catholic priest standing for election in Haiti's presidential elections accused a former minister of the Duvalier dictatorship Thursday of ordering a bomb attack at a political rally in which seven people were killed.

Father Jean-Bertrand Aristide said Roger Lafontant, a Duvalier minister who led the feared Tontons Macoutes political police, had ordered the Wednesday night attack on the rally in the Port-au-Prince suburb of Petionville.

Aristide, who is a main contender in the December 16 presidential elections, called for Lafontant's arrest and said he would continue his campaign.

Unidentified assailants riding in a car lobbed the bomb at people who were walking along an avenue after leaving the rally organised by Aristide's National Front for Change and Democracy.

Aristide was not near the site of the explosion which also wounded 53 people.

Lafontant, an interior and defense minister in the 1957-1986 dictatorship, returned from exile earlier this year and unsuccessfully tried to be admitted

as a candidate in the presidential vote.

The Electoral Council rejected Lafontant's candidacy because he failed to produce a birth certificate and other necessary documents.

Also Wednesday, the headquarters of the Proletarian Party was attacked. The party was led by the late Daniel Fignole, who supported Aristide's candidacy.

Haiti has been ravaged by coups and political violence since the fall in 1986 of the Duvalier family, who ruled the country by terror for nearly three decades.

Francois Duvalier and his son, Jean-Claude Duvalier, used the Tontons Macoutes to spy on the population and to torture and kill government opponents.

The 1987 presidential ballot was suspended after 34 people were gunned down in an election day massacre in the capital by Duvalier supporters.

Eearlier this year, Ertha Trouillot was appointed provisional president and charged with preparing free elections.

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#90340e0043 12/06/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC 6) EFE - Security forces Thursday arrested 1140 Hindu militants, including 340 women, who were trying to replace a northern Indian mosque with a temple of their own, the official news agency PTI reported.

The women were later released while the men were taken to prisons near Ayodhya where 20,000 Hindu fundamentalists had gathered earlier Thursday.

Some 100 companies of police and paramilitaries were called in to Ayodhya and the neighboring city of Faizabad to prevent a repetition of last month's riots between Moslems and Hindus during which several hundred people died.

More than 270 people died last month, at least 15 of them when they stormed Ayodhya's mosque, as sectarian violence broke out across the country over the fundamentalists' plans.

The riots helped lead to the downfall of former premier Vishwanath Pratap Singh's government which had tried in vain to resolve the crisis.

His successor, Chandra Shekhar, has also so far failed in his attempts to get the fundamentalist movemement, the Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP) and the Hindu nationalist Bhartiya Janata Party to renounce their backing for the temple to be built.

But his government decided to allow the fundamentalists to pray at the mosque

site, while threatening to arrest those who caused trouble.

Volunteer Kar Savaks, or Hindu holy men, have travelled from all over India to Ayodhya, regarded by the country's majority Hindu population as one of their most sacred sites.

At the request of the VHP and the Bhartiya Janata Party, the militants have said they will not offer any resistance if arrested, but will continue with peaceful protest until they are allowed to complete their temple.

The first stone was placed alongside the mosque last year, but they want to raze the building to construct an inner sanctum on the spot where they claim the Hindu god Rama was born.

Although talks between the mosque's defense organization and the VHP have so far failed, the two groups are due to present their respective cases to the government on December 22.

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#90340h0014 12/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (DEC. 6) XINHUA - THE THAI DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES WILL GRANT CONCESSION TO INVESTORS TO PRODUCE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IN AT LEAST FOUR AREAS IN 1991, ACCORDING TO A LATEST OFFICIAL NEWS BULLETIN.

ONE OF THE FIRST PROPOSED SITES IS AT NAM PHONG, KHON KAEN PROVINCE IN NORTHEAST THAILAND TO SUPPLY NATURAL GAS FROM DECEMBER THIS YEAR ONWARDS. THE OUTPUT AVERAGE BETWEEN 40-60 MILLION CUBIC FEET A DAY.

THE OTHER SITE IS AT BUENG YA STRUCTURE IN SUKHOTHAI PROVINCE IN NORTHERN THAILAND. PRODUCTION IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN EARLY NEXT YEAR WITH A CAPACITY OF 700 BARRELS A DAY.

MOREOVER, THERE WILL BE ANOTHER TWO SITES IN SUPHAN BURI PROVINCE IN CENTRAL THAILAND, WHICH WILL BE ONSTREAM BY MID 1991 WITH AN INITIAL PRODUCTION TOTALLING 1,200 BARRELS A DAY.

ACCORDING TO THE DEPARTMENT, THE PRODUCTION OF NATURAL GAS IN THAILAND IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS THIS YEAR AVERAGED 620 MILLION CUBIC FEET A DAY, CRUDE OIL 41,400 BARRELS AND LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS 250 TONS A DAY.

THE THAI GOVERNMENT IS ENCOURAGING INVESTMENT IN NATURAL GAS AND OIL REFINERIES SO AS TO ACHIEVE SELF-SUFFICIENCY AND TO AVOID SHORTAGE IN THE FUTURE.

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BANGKOK (DEC. 6) XINHUA - THAILAND AND MALAYSIA HAVE AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO LONGER OPENING HOURS FOR THEIR BORDER IMMIGRATION CHECKPOINTS TO PROMOTE TOURISM AND TRADE, A LOCAL SOURCE DISCLOSED HERE TODAY.

A FORMAL AGREEMENT WILL BE CONCLUDED NEXT MONTH IN THAILAND AT THE GENERAL BORDER COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE TWO COUNTRIES.

MALAYSIA WILL EXTEND THE HOURS OF ITS CHECKPOINTS FROM THE CURRENT 6 AM TO 6 PM TO 6 AM TO 10 PM.

THE THAI CHECKPOINTS, NOW OPEN FROM 5 AM TO 5 PM, WILL REMAIN OPEN FROM 5 AM TO 9 PM.

THERE ARE MANY CHECKPOINTS ALONG THE 600-KILOMETER COMMON LAND BORDER BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

THE GENERAL BORDER COMMITTEE, COMPRISING SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, CONDUCTS ANNUAL CONSULTATIONS.

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ISLAMABAD (DEC. 6) XINHUA - THERE IS NO NEED TO CONTINUE IMPORTING SUGAR FROM ABROAD FOR PAKISTAN AS THE COUNTRY COULD PRODUCE SUFFICIENT AMOUNT OF SUGAR TO MEET THE ENTIRE DOMESTIC REQUIREMENT, OFFICIAL SOURCES HERE SAID TODAY.

THE CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF PAKISTAN SUGAR MILLS ASSOCIATION, AT A RECENT MEETING HERE, REVIEWED THE ONGOING SUGARCANE CRUSHING SEASON AND SUGAR PRODUCTION TREND IN PAKISTAN.

DURING THE CURRENT SEASON, SUGAR PRODUCTION IN PAKISTAN IS ESTIMATED TO BE TWO MILLION METRIC TONS WHICH IS SUFFICIENT FOR DOMESTIC NEEDS, THE SOURCES SAID.

PAKISTAN USED TO IMPORT A BIG AMOUNT OF SUGAR FROM ABROAD ANNUALLY DUE TO INSUFFICIENT SUGAR PRODUCTION IN THE COUNTRY.

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BEIJING (DEC. 6) XINHUA - THE MINISTRY OF AERO-SPACE INDUSTRY IS PLANNING TO INCREASE THE EXPORT VALUE OF ELECTRIC MACHINERY TO 400 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN 1991.

THE CHINA NEWS SERVICE REPORTS THAT THE MINISTRY HAS INCREASED EXPORTS OF THESE PRODUCTS BY 100 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, ANNUALLY, FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS. THE SERVICE ALSO REPORTS THAT THIS FIGURE IS EXPECTED TO RISE TO 300 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS THIS YEAR.

THE MINISTRY HAS DRAFTED A STRATEGIC PLAN AIMED AT GRADUALLY CHANGING THE SCOPE OF ITS SERVICE FROM MILITARY TO CIVILIAN AND FROM DOMESTIC TO OVERSEAS MARKET.

AT PRESENT, CHINA NEWS SERVICE SAYS, THE MINISTRY OWNS 155 PRODUCTION LINES WHICH MANUFACTURE CIVILIAN PRODUCTS. THE OUTPUT VALUE, WHICH NOW ACCOUNTS FOR APPROXIMATELY 70 PERCENT OF THE OUTPUT VALUE FOR THE ENTIRE AVIATION AND SPACE INDUSTRY, HAS BEEN INCREASING AT AN ANNUAL RATE OF 30 PERCENT.

THE MINISTRY PRODUCES 267 CATEGORIES OF CIVILIAN PRODUCTS WHICH ARE ACKNOWLEDGED BY THE STATE AS IMPORT SUBSTITUTES.

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#90340h0058 12/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WINDHOEK (DEC. 6) XINHUA - NAMIBIAN PRESIDENT SAM NUMOMA HAS URGED THE NATIONAL TELEVISION TO SCRAP COWBOY FILMS AND VIOLENT DETECTIVE STORIES IN FAVOR OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND NEWS ABOUT THE COUNTRY'S DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS.

PRESIDENT NUJOMA MADE THIS APPEAL DURING HIS VISIT TO THE NAMIBIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION (NBC) ON WEDNESDAY, RADIO NAMIBIA REPORTED TODAY.

HE SAID THAT TELEVISION PRODUCERS SHOULD STEER CLEAR OF FILMS WHICH ENCOURAGE CRIME, ADDING THAT AGRICULTURAL PRODUCES SHOULD BE BROADCAST IN ORDER TO ENCOURAGE FARMERS TO PRODUCE MORE.

"WE ARE AFRICANS AND NAMIBIANS. PRIOITY SHOULD BE GIVEN TO NAMIBIAN ISSUES," HE ARGUED.

"WHILE 99 PERCENT OF OUR PEOPLE ARE FOOTBALL FANS, YOU TEND NOT TO SHOW NAMIBIAN FOOTBALL BUT THOSE FROM GERMANY AND OTHER COUNTRIES," HE ADDED.

PRESIDENT NUJOMA APPEALED TO THOSE WHO ARE "STICKING TO COLONIAL MENTALITIES AND ATTITUDES" TO CHANGE THEIR MIND AND URGED ALL NAMIBIANS TO WORK FOR PEACE, STABILITY AND RACIAL HARMONY.

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#90340h0063 12/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHENZHEN (DEC. 6) XINHUA - THE SHENZHEN HEIMANN ELECTRO-OPTICAL COMPANY LTD., A TRIPARTITE SINO-FOREIGN JOINT VENTURE, WENT INTO OPERATION HERE TODAY.

THE VENTURE WAS JOINTLY FUNDED BY THE HEIMANN GMBLL, AN ARM OF SIEMENS AG OF GERMANY, THE WEARNES TECH (PTE. LTD.) OF SINGAPORE AND THE SHENZHEN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INDUSTRY PARK CORPORATION.

THE VENTURE WILL MAINLY PRODUCE FLASHBULBS, LIGHT SENSITIVE RESISTORS, TRIGGER COILS AND U-SHAPE LAMPS. AROUND 95 PERCENT OF ITS PRODUCTS WILL BE EXPORTED.

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#90340h0076 12/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GUANGZHOU (DEC. 6) XINHUA - A NUMBER OF LARGE FOREIGN FUNDED LARGE INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES, WHICH USE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY AND EQUIPMENT, HAVE ADDED PRODUCTION CAPACITY TO THE GUANGZHOU ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT ZONE (GETDZ) SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THIS YEAR.

HUANG RUIYUAN, AS GETDZ OFFICIAL, SAYS THAT FOREIGN INVESTMENT INCLUDES PROCTOR AND GAMBLE (PG) FROM THE UNITED STATES.

THE SINO-FOREIGN JOINT GUANGZHOU MALT CORPORATION LTD. WITH A TOTAL INVESTMENT OF 30 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS PRODUCES 600,000 TONS OF MALT A YEAR AND IS THE BIGGEST MALT PRODUCER IN ASIA.

THE 120 ENTERPRISES WHICH ARE NOW IN OPERATION ARE EXPECTED TO PRODUCE A TOTAL ANNUAL INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION VALUE OF 1.2 BILLION YUAN, TO EXPORT COMMODITIES VALUED AT 101 MILLION YUAN AND EARN 100 MILLION YUAN IN PROFIT THIS YEAR.

THE GETDZ HAS THUS FAR RECEIVED INVESTMENTS FROM COMPANIES IN THE UNITED STATES, JAPAN AND TAIWAN.

THE GETDZ HAS SIGNED 43 ACCORDS WITH FOREIGN INVESTORS, DURING THE FIRST 11 MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, WHICH HAVE A TOTAL INVESTMENT VALUE OF 86.3 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS -- 2.8 TIMES MORE THAN LAST YEAR.

IN ADDITION, GUANGZHOU NOW HAS 14 TAIWAN FUNDED ENTERPRISES. THE CITY HAS SOLD THE LAND-USE RIGHTS OVER 260,000 SQUARE METERS TO HONG KONG BUSINESSMEN FOR 67 MILLION YUAN.

HUANG SAID THAT A BETTER INVESTMENT ENVIRONMENT HAS BEEN FORMED IN THE CITY AFTER SIX YEARS' CONSTRUCTION OF BASIC FACILITIES. FOR EXAMPLE, THE HENGYUN POWER PLANT IS CAPABLE OF SUPPLYING THE GETDZ 90 MILLION KWH ELECTRICITY A YEAR.

NOW 14 COUNTRIES AND REGIONS INCLUDING U.S.A., CANADA, AUSTRALIA, JAPAN AND ITALY ARE INVESTING IN THE ZONE. IT HAS APPROVED 351 ACCORDS WITH A TOTAL INVESTMENT OF 2.9 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN THE LAST FEW YEARS. 89.51 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS OF FOREIGN CAPITAL IS BEING USED.

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#90340h0100 12/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NICOSIA (DEC. 6) XINHUA - TOTAL EXPENDITURE ON CYPRUS EDUCATION IN 1989 WAS 125.1 MILLION CYPRUS POUNDS (287.7 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), ABOUT 6 PERCENT OF THE GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS AND RESEARCH HAS ANNOUNCED.

EDUCATION EXPENDITURE IN 1988 WAS 113.8 MILLION POUNDS (261.7 MILLION DOLLARS).

PUBLIC EXPENDITURE ROSE TO 81.9 MILLION POUNDS (188.37 MILLION DOLLARS) IN 1989, REPRESENTING 12 PERCENT OF THE GOVERNMENT BUDGET.

ENROLMENTS IN LOCAL THIRD LEVEL EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS INCREASED BY 16 PERCENT TO 5,852 IN THE ACADEMIC PERIOD OF 1989-1990. ABOUT 40 PERCENT OF THESE STUDENTS WERE ENROLLED IN PUBLIC AND THE REST IN PRIVATE SCHOOLS.

DURING THE YEAR UNDER REVIEW, THERE WERE 108 SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTRY WITH 43,219 PUPILS AND 3,526 TEACHERS COMPARED WITH 105 SCHOOLS, 42,613 PUPILS AND 3,439 TEACHERS IN THE PREVIOUS ACADEMIC YEAR.

ON PRIMARY EDUCATION, THERE WAS A TOTAL OF 378 SCHOOLS, 60,841 PUPILS AND 2,824 TEACHERS COMPARED WITH 381 SCHOOLS, 58,720 PUPILS AND 2,689 TEACHERS IN THE 1988-1989 ACADEMIC YEAR.

THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENROLLED IN PRE-PRIMARY SCHOOLS INCREASED BY 8.5 PERCENT AND REACHED 22,008 FROM 20,280 WHILE THE TEACHING STUFF INCREASED FROM 826 TO 917.

DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR, A TOTAL OF 9,410 CYPRIOT STUDENTS WERE STUDYING ABROAD.

CYPRUS, WHICH HAS ABOUT 6.5 MILLION POPULATION, IS REGARDED AS ONE OF THE MOST ADVANCED COUNTRY IN TERMS OF EDUCATION. THE PROPORTION OF UNIVERSITY STUDENTS NOW STANDS AT 24 PER THOUSAND.

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#90340h0101 12/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 6) XINHUA - BRITAIN'S CUSTOMS OFFICERS HAVE SEIZED 203 KILOS OF HEROIN WORTH 20 MILLION POUNDS (ABOUT 38 MILLION DOLLARS) WHILE MAKING A RANDOM CHECK ON TWO TURKISH LORRIES AT DOVER, A CUSTOMS SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

THIS IS THE LARGEST EVER SEIZURE IN BRITAIN. THE TWO TURKISH LORRY DRIVERS WERE ARRESTED AND CHARGED WHEN THE DRUG WAS FOUND HIDDEN UNDER THE LORRY FLOOR LAST FRIDAY.

HOWEVER THE OPERATION WAS KEPT SECRET TO ALLOW A FOLLOW-UP INVESTIGATION WHICH LED TO THE ARREST LAST NIGHT OF A THIRD TURKISH MAN IN LONDON.

THE RECORD HEROIN HAUL LAST FRIDAY HAS BROUGHT THE AMOUNT RECOVERED THIS YEAR TO 500 KILOS IN BRITAIN.

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#90340h0107 12/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC. 6) XINHUA - THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK HAS APPROVED AN EQUITY INVESTMENT OF ABOUT 16 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FROM THE BANK'S ORDINARY CAPITAL RESOURCES IN PAKISTAN VENTURE CAPITAL LIMITED (PVCL), THE FIRST VENTURE CAPITAL COMPANY SET UP IN THE COUNTRY.

PVCL, A PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY WITH LOCAL PRIVATE SECTOR OWNERSHIP, WAS SET UP TO PROVIDE RISK CAPITAL AND WILL PLAY A CATALYTIC ROLE IN THE COUNTRY, A GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC OFFICIAL SAID HERE THURSDAY.

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PVCL FOLLOWS A 1986 ADB REGIONAL STUDY OF VENTURE CAPITAL FINANCING. THE STUDY CONFIRMED THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF VENTURE CAPITAL FINANCING IN THE REGION COULD HELP MEET A CLEARLY IDENTIFIABLE, BUT UNSATISFIED, DEMAND FOR SOURCES OF EQUITY FOR INNOVATIVE NEW VENTURES.

PVCL HAS AN AUTHORIZED CAPITALIZATION OF 200 MILLION RUPEES (ABOUT 9.30 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS). AFTER A CONTEMPLATED PUBLIC OFFERING WITHIN ONE YEAR, A LOCAL PRIVATE SECTOR GROUP WILL HOLD 30 PERCENT OF THE PAID UP CAPITAL, ADB WILL HOLD 25 PERCENT AND THE BALANCE OF 45 PERCENT WILL BE HELD BY THE PUBLIC, THE OFFICIAL ADDED.

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#90340h0129 12/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 6) XINHUA - THE MANILA-BASED ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (ADB) TODAY APPROVED AN INTEREST-FREE LOAN OF 17.42 MILLION SDR (SPECIAL DRAWING RIGHT) (ABOUT 25 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) TO LAOS FOR A FINANCIAL SECTOR PROGRAM, THE BANK ANNOUNCED HERE THIS AFTERNOON.

THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE PROGRAM AND THE SUPPORTING LOAN IS TO ASSIST LAOS IN DEVELOPING AN EFFICIENT AND RESPONSIVE FINANCIAL SYSTEM TO MEET THE DEVELOPMENT NEEDS OF ITS EMERGING PRIVATE SECTOR AND THE ECONOMY IN GENERAL, THE BANK SAID.

THE BANK WILL ALSO PROVIDE TWO TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS TOTALLING 853,000 U.S. DOLLARS FOR THE PROGRAM, ADB ADDED.

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#90340h0130 12/06/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KAMPALA (DEC. 6) XINHUA - THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMU- NITY (EEC) WILL GIVE AN AID WORTH 230 U.S. DOLLARS TO UGANDA IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS UNDER A FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT SIGNED HERE TODAY.

SPEAKING AFTER THE SIGNING CEREMONY, THE EEC DELEGATION LED BY EEC DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION MR. PHILLIP SOUBESTRE SAID THAT THE EEC WILL CONTINUE SUPPORTING UGANDA IN IMPLEMENTING ITS ECONOMIC RECOVERY PROGRAMMES.

THE EEC DELEGATION LEFT FOR HOME THIS AFTERNOON AFTER CONCLU- DING A THREE-DAY VISIT TO UGANDA.

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#90340k0047 12/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (DEC. 6) KYODO - TANABE SEIYAKU CO., A LEADING JAPANESE PHARMACEUTICAL MAKER, SAID THURSDAY IT HAS SET UP ITS FIRST OVERSEAS RESEARCH INSTITUTE IN SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA.

TANABE RESEARCH LABORATORIES U.S.A., INC., CAPITALIZED AT 1 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, WILL CONDUCT BASIC RESEARCH IN IMMUNE SYSTEMS AND OTHER AREAS RELATED TO ALLERGIES, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

TANABE BOUGHT SHARES IN IMMUNETECH PHARMACEUTICALS, A U.S. BIOTECHNOLOGY VENTURE, IN AUGUST 1988, AND IS CONDUCTING JOINT RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT WITH THE CONCERN.

HOWEVER, HAVING DECIDED IT WAS VITAL TO HAVE ITS OWN LABORATORY TO FURTHER GLOBALIZE ITS RESEARCH, TANABE ISOLATED IMMUNETECH'S RESEARCH DIVISION AND TURNED IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT LABORATORY.

IMMUNETECH HAS SUCCEEDED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW ALLERGY DRUG AND IS CURRENTLY APPLYING FOR APPROVAL FROM THE U.S. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA).

TANABE RESEARCH WILL HAVE A STAFF OF ABOUT 30, WITH 20 RESEARCHERS COMING FROM IMMUNETECH AND THE REMAINDER FROM TANABE SEIYAKU.

RESEARCH EXPENSES ARE ESTIMATED TO REACH 500 MILLION YEN ANNUALLY.

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#90340k0067 12/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 6) KYODO - A GROUP OF JAPANESE PARLIAMENTARIANS WILL SEND AN EMERGENCY AIRLIFT OF FOOD AND MEDICAL AID TO THE SOVIET UNION IN JANUARY OR FEBRUARY NEXT YEAR, A JAPAN-SOVIET FRIENDSHIP GROUP SAID THURSDAY.

SUCH ACTION WILL BE TAKEN WHEN THE SAKHALIN FRIENDSHIP PARLIAMENTARIANS LEAGUE VISITS THE SOVIET FAR EAST ISLAND OF SAKHALIN, LEAGUE SECRETARY GENERAL KOZO IGARASHI TOLD REPORTERS IN HIS OFFICE.

JAPAN AIR SYSTEM (JAS) HAS OFFERED A PLANE TO TRANSPORT THE AID TO YUZHNOSAKHALINSK, THE CAPITAL OF SAKHALIN, IGARASHI SAID.

NEGOTIATIONS ON THE FLIGHT START SHORTLY WITH THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY SINCE THE DIRECT ROUTE TO SAKHALIN HAS NOT PREVIOUSLY BEEN FLOWN, HE SAID.

IGARASHI SAID HE RELAYED TO HOKKAIDO GOV. MASAHIRO YOKOMICHI A LIST OF GOODS WHICH MOSCOW WANTS FROM JAPAN PRESENTED BY SOVIET AMBASSADOR LUDVIG CHIZHOV ON THURSDAY.

THE GOVERNOR THEN SAID HIS HOKKAIDO GOVERNMENT IS NOW CONSIDERING SENDING EMERGENCY AID TO THE SOVIETS INDEPENDENTLY, ADDING A FACT-FINDING MISSION WILL BE DISPATCHED TO ASSESS WHAT IS ACTUALLY NEEDED.

THE SOVIET LIST INCLUDED 24 KINDS OF FOOD AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES, INCLUDING POWDERED MILK, MEAT, OIL, WHEAT FLOUR, AND ANTIBIOTICS WHICH THE SOVIETS NEED TO TIDE THEM OVER A SEVERE SHORTAGE, IGARASHI SAID.

IGARASHI'S GROUP HAS PROMOTED FRIENDSHIP WITH LEGISLATORS IN SAKHALIN, LOCATED JUST NORTH OF HOKKAIDO AND WHOSE SOUTHERN SECTION WAS PART OF JAPANESE TERRITORY BEFORE JAPAN GAVE IT UP FOLLOWING ITS DEFEAT IN WORLD WAR II IN 1945.

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#90340k0068 12/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 6) KYODO - KOBE STEEL LTD., A LEADING JAPANESE STEELMAKER, SAID THURSDAY IT WILL SELL ALL ITS SHARES IN A JOINT VENTURE IT ESTABLISHED HERE WITH A MAJOR FINNISH BOILER MAKER.

THE SALE WAS PROMPTED BY WHAT KOBE CONSIDERED TO BE BLEAK PROSPECTS FOR THE FIRM.

SHINKO PYROPOWER CORP., WHICH WAS SET UP IN 1986, MARKETS ENERGY-SAVING ENVIRONMENTAL FLUIDIZED BED BOILERS.

KOBE STEEL OWNED A 60 PERCENT STAKE IN SHINKO PYROPOWER, WITH A. AHLSTROM CORP. HOLDING THE REMAINING 40 PERCENT,

THE FIRM REGISTERED ANNUAL SALES OF 2.7 BILLION YEN IN FISCAL YEAR 1989. THE STEEL GIANT SOLD TWO-THIRDS OF THE FIRM'S STOCK LATE NOVEMBER AND HOPES TO SELL THE REMAINING SHARES AND TAKE BACK THE EMPLOYEES IT TRANSFERRED TO IT BY NEXT SEPTEMBER.

SHINKO PYROPOWER PLANS TO RESUME ITS BUSINESS UNDER THE NEW NAME, PYROPOWER JAPAN.

A KOBE STEEL SPOKESMAN SAID ITS CONTRACT PREVENTED IT FROM REVEALING THE SALES PRICE OF THE COMPANY'S STOCK.

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#90340k0075 12/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 6) KYODO - JAPAN'S BUSINESS COMMUNITY ON THURSDAY LASHED OUT AT A

PACKAGE PLAN OF LAND TAX REFORMS ENDORSED BY THE RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY, SAYING THAT IT WOULD ONLY INCREASE TAX BURDENS ON CORPORATIONS WITHOUT HOLDING DOWN SKY-HIGH LAND PRICES.

"AT BEST, IT'S TAXING MORE BIG CORPORATIONS WITH HUGE LAND ASSETS," SAID TAKASHI ISHIHARA, PRESIDENT OF THE JAPAN ASSOCIATION OF CORPORATE EXECUTIVES (KEIZAI DOYUKAI).

THE PACKAGE, DRAWN UP BY THE LDP'S TAX WRITING PANEL, FEATURES A NEW TAX ON LAND OWNERSHIP, THE MAIN PILLAR OF THE LAND TAX REFORMS AIMED AT CURBING ASTRONOMICAL LAND PRICES.

THE NEW TAX, DUBBED THE LAND HOLDING TAX, WOULD BE IMPOSED ON LAND PROPERTIES VALUED AT 1 BILLION YEN OR MORE, BUT WITH A NUMBER OF EXEMPTIONS.

BUSINESS LEADERS UNITED IN POINTING OUT THAT THE CHRONIC LAND INFLATION WILL NOT BE RESOLVED MERELY BY TAXATION AND THAT OTHER MEASURES ARE NEEDED.

"THE MAIN CAUSE OF LAND PRICE INFLATION IS THE EXTREME IMBALANCE BETWEEN SUPPLY AND DEMAND," SAID HAJIME TSUBORI, CHAIRMAN OF THE REAL ESTATE COMPANY ASSOCIATION OF JAPAN.

"WITHOUT MEASURES TO SUPPLY MORE LAND, THE NEW TAX CANNOT SERVE AS A MEANS OF HOLDING DOWN LAND PRICES," SAID TSUBORI, ALSO CHAIRMAN OF MITSUI REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT CO.

THE TAX PROPOSAL DREW A TORRENT OF STRONGER CRITICISM FROM STEELMAKERS AND AUTOMAKERS, TWO PROPERTY-RICH CONCERNS, ALTHOUGH THEY WELCOMED A CUT IN THE TAX RATE TO 0.3 PERCENT FROM THE ORIGINALLY PROPOSED 0.5 PERCENT.

"THE TARGET OF THE NEW TAX IS BIASED AGAINST BIG COMPANIES," SAID HIROSHI SAITO, PRESIDENT OF THE JAPAN IRON AND STEEL FEDERATION. "IT WOULD OVERLAP WITH THE EXISTING TAX ON FIXED ASSETS," HE ADDED.

AT PRESENT, THERE ARE STILL VARIOUS TAXES ON LAND ASSETS, INCLUDING THE TAX ON FIXED ASSETS, WITH DIFFERENT MEASURES OF EVALUATING SUCH ASSETS FOR TAXATION.

YUTAKA KUME, PRESIDENT OF THE JAPAN AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION, BLASTED THE NEW TAX FOR LACKING A CLEAR PURPOSE FOR ITS INTRODUCTION.

"THE PURPOSE OF THE NEW TAX IS UNCLEAR, AND THE PROCESS OF DEBATE (ON THE TAX) SUGGESTS THAT A NEW TAX IS PRIMARILY SOMETHING AMONG GOVERNMENT AND LDP OFFICIALS," HE SAID.

THE NEW LAND HOLDING TAX WAS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED BY A GOVERNMENT PANEL LAST MONTH, INVOLVING GOVERNMENT AND LDP OFFICIALS.

ACCORDING TO THE LATEST SURVEY BY THE NATIONAL LAND AGENCY, THE NATION'S

RESIDENTIAL LAND PRICES CLIMBED MORE THAN 13 PERCENT IN THE YEAR ENDED ON JULY 1, AFTER NEARLY DOUBLING OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS.

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#90340k0076 12/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 6) KYODO - A MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORKERS' PARTY OF KOREA (NORTH KOREA), CHOE SU GIL, WILL VISIT JAPAN FROM NEXT MONDAY, GOVERNMENT SOURCES SAID THURSDAY.

IT IS NOT IMMEDIATELY KNOWN HOW LONG HE WILL STAY IN JAPAN, THE SOURCES SAID.

CHOE, ALSO DIRECTOR OF KOREA TAESONG BANK, WILL COME TO JAPAN FOR BUSINESS TALKS WITH JAPANESE TRADING HOUSE OFFICIALS, THE SOURCES SAID.

CHOE IS LIKELY TO SOUND OUT THE JAPANESE SIDE ON PROPOSED NORTH KOREA-JAPAN TALKS TOWARD ESTABLISHING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS PRIOR TO A PLANNED VISIT TO JAPAN BY KIM YOUNG SUN, DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF THE PARTY.

KIM IS EXPECTED TO VISIT JAPAN NEXT JANUARY.

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#90340k0081 12/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (DEC. 6) KYODO - TOYO UMPANKI CO. ON THURSDAY ANNOUNCED AN AGREEMENT WITH ANHUI FORKLIFT TRUCK WORKS TO SET UP A JOINT VENTURE IN CHINA TO PRODUCE BALANCE WEIGHTS, HEAVY IRON CASTINGS USED TO MAINTAIN THE BALANCE OF FORKLIFTS.

TOYO UMPANKI IS THE FIRST JAPANESE FORKLIFT PRODUCTION FIRM TO SET UP A JOINT IRON CASTING VENTURE OVERSEAS.

THE JOINT FIRM, NAMED ANHUI AN DONG FOUNDRY CO., WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 20 MILLION YUAN, OF WHICH 40 PERCENT WILL BE PROVIDED BY TOYO UMPANKI, 15 PERCENT BY TWO OTHER JAPANESE FIRMS, AND THE REMAINING 45 PERCENT BY TWO CHINESE COMPANIES, INCLUDING ANHUI FORKLIFT TRUCK WORKS.

UNDER PRESENT PLANS, THE JOINT FIRM WILL START PRODUCTION OF BALANCE WEIGHTS IN JANUARY 1992 AT AN ANNUAL RATE OF 6,000 TONS, WITH 70 PERCENT OF THE OUTPUT TO BE PURCHASED BY TOYO UMPANKI.

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#90340k0088 12/06/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (DEC. 6) KYODO - TAISHO PHARMACEUTICAL CO. AND GREEN CROSS CORP. ANNOUNCED THURSDAY AN AGREEMENT TO GRANT SALES RIGHTS OF A LIMB BLOOD VESSEL EXPANDING AGENT TO FOUR EUROPEAN DRUG FIRMS.

THE AGENT, A PERIPHERAL VASODILATOR, IS NAMED RIPO PGE1 AND IS USED IN

TREATING PERIPHERAL BLOOD VESSEL (MAIN LIMB BLOOD VESSEL) CIRCULATORY FAILURES AND OTHER DISEASES. IT WAS DEVELOPED JOINTLY BY TAISHO AND GREEN CROSS.

THE FOUR EUROPEAN DRUG FIRMS ARE GERMANY'S KNOLL A.G., A GERMAN SUBSIDIARY, A BRITISH SUBSIDIARY, AND A SPANISH AFFILIATE OF ALPHA THERAPEUTIC CORP., A LOS ANGELES-BASED SUBSIDIARY OF GREEN CROSS.

AFTER PUTTING THE DRUG THROUGH CLINICAL TESTS, THE FOUR COMPANIES HOPE TO START MARKETING IT IN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC) IN 1995 OR 1996.

TAISHO AND GREEN CROSS HAVE REGISTERED COMBINED SALES OF THE DRUG OF 28 BILLION YEN PER YEAR.

THE TWO COMPANIES ARE ALSO EXPECTED SHORTLY TO GRANT SALES RIGHTS OF THE DRUG TO U.S. AND CANADIAN FIRMS.

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#90340m0001 12/06/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 6) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Iraqi news agency reports this morning that SADDAM HUSSEIN will release all remaining hostages. The news sent oil futures plummeting and world stock markets spiraling upward. The dollar is weaker on the news. ... The NIKKEI rose 359.38 on good Mideast news of negotiations. ... In London, the FTSE rose 28.5 in heavy midday trading following the hostage release report. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT says factory orders rose an unexpectedly strong 2.8% in October. ... AT&T is going over NCR directors with a direct tender offer to shareholders. ... SMITH BARNEY halts trading in takeover stocks, one day after PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. did the same thing.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

IBM is moving its communications division from New York to London. frozen next year at present levels. ... CHARLES SCHWAB projects a plunge in its fourth-quarter profit amid weak trading volume. ... BEAR STEARNS is said to be evaluating its involvement in the trading of takeover stocks.

FROM THE BULLS:

"The market has been rallying since early October because it got oversold in August and September ... that's what this is all about," says CHRISTINE CALLIES of COWEN & CO. She says some of her technical indicators have begun to "drift sideways," which she takes as bullish. "What this means is that the

rally is fully developed and the medium-term would suggest that we're still headed up," according to Callies. ("Investor's Daily", 12/6)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The stock market is nearing the end of its wave 2 rally," says ROBERT PRECHTER of the "Elliott Wave Theorist." "The next decline [in stock prices] should be more substantial than August and September." He says that the "behavior of prices and volume has been entirely consistent with an ongoing bear market." He sees substantial resistance in the 2600s. (CNBC "The Moneywheel", 12/6)

"You can see sporadic rallies ... [but] we don't see a sustained rally of any sort," says BOB JONES, portfolio strategist at GOLDMAN SACHS. "There's too much uncertainty on the landscape: the Iraqi situation, the whole situation in the Middle East, the economy. ... We think the market is still about 5% to 10% overvalued. When we start to see it fairly valued we would start to buy a bit more aggressively even though often times a market will go below fair value before it really bottoms." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/5)

A "go slow policy is still warranted," writes ARNOLD KAUFFMAN, editor of "S&P Outlook." "Despite recent buoyancy, this is no time for investor complacency." He says that there "appears to be no more than an additional 5% left to the rally" and urges investors "don't buy into seasonal strength ... maintain a defensive stance." (CNBC "The Moneywheel", 12/6)

"Despite the 20% to 25% correction, this is not likely the bottom of the bear market," says ROBERT FARRELL, chief market analyst for MERRILL LYNCH. He says the market will be reacting to economic stimuli, and "it is unlikely that we'll get away with a mild recession." ("Investor's Daily", 12/6)

STOCK MARKET:

"It would be nice to be able to say that this looks like [the market] has established a bottom, and the market would be able to move up on a sustained basis," says MONTE GORDON of DREYFUS CORP. "I'm still sticking to the idea that you're within a range between 2300 on the low and 2700 on the high. And you're going to stay in that range until you get clear, definitive evidence that a negotiating process has begun" in the Middle East crisis. Mr. Gordon would stay with blue chips for the time being, but says that there is some validity to a turnaround in secondary stocks. He says they should be carefully watched for more evidence of this turnaround. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/5)

"A good many stocks look like they've already seen their bear market lows and December usually has a strong upward seasonal bias, anyway," says GAIL DUDACK at S.G. WARBURG. "Trading buys will be found in the sold-out high technology and financial groups, but in general it will be more a rally for individual

stocks throughout the list rather than for specific industry groups or for the market as a whole." ("The Washington Post", 12/6)

"People figure the banks are back from the brink and there won't be a war in the Middle East, so we're going through a period of euphoria," says GARY SHILLING, an economist and money manager at A. GARY SHILLING & CO. But he doesn't expect the euphoria to last much longer. "The consumer is being squeezed and layoffs are going to count for a lot more than events happening 10,000 miles away." (WSJ, 12/6)

"The plain fact is that the shorts are in trouble, as are underinvested institutions," says RALPH BLOCH, chief market analysts at RAYMOND JAMES ASSOCIATES. JAMES C. ANDREWS, first vice president in charge of institutional trading at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT, says, "We're beginning to see some legitimate institutional buyers here." (WSJ, 12/6)

"November was a very good month for the stock market in general," says JOHN LAPORTE, president of NEW HORIZONS FUND. "But in particular for small company stocks." (CNN "Moneyline", 12/5)

"The market and the economy were not in good shape before the Kuwait invasion " says HOWARD BERL at MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. "That hasn't changed." ("USA Today", 12/6)

STOCK TIPS:

"If you can see light at the end of the tunnel, even if it's a long tunnel, then you have a compelling case for buying small stocks," says STEPHEN LEEB, editor of "Personal Finance" newsletter. "The next bull market will be a bull market of small and secondary stocks," says RICKY HARRINGTON at MARION BASS SECURITIES. "But it's probably several more quarters before that will happen." GRETA MARSHALL, chief investment officer of the MARSHALL PLAN money management firm, says investors "might pay a small price by getting in [small stocks] too early. But it's better to be early than to be late. By the time it becomes obvious, a lot will already have happened." ("USA Today", 12/6)

"The airlines are under tremendous pressure right now to boost their traffic," says STEVEN BALLINGER of OFFICIAL AIRLINE GUIDES. "They're taking on a lot of new capacity, more airplanes, at a time when the economy is going downhill and fuel prices are skyrocketing." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/5)

"Communications and computing are converging," says MICHEL GUITE, a senior telecommunications analyst at SALOMON BROTHERS. "Over the next ten years that convergence probably becomes much more dramatic, much more apparent." He says AT&T is reacting to this trend in its bid for NCR, and also points out that NCR can help profitability. ("Nightly Business Report", 12/6)

NCR may have vowed to fight the AT&T buyout bid at $90, but many analysts say the threat is hollow. "The only thing they can do besides cry about it is buy back stock, and they don't have the cash," says JOSEPH PAYNE of ALEX. BROWN & SONS. "They made a declaration of war, but they don't have an army." ("Investor's Daily", 12/6)

NCR's demand for $125 per share is "simply a bargaining point," according to PAINEWEBBER analyst JACK GRUBMAN. "The notion of remaining independent has gone by the wayside." He believes the company will eventually accept some offer, but says "it is like buying a car." (NYT, 12/6)

"General merchandise companies, which traditionally have a low margin in this category, have elected, this year, to use it as a traffic building, loss leader in many instances," says DONALD TROTT of DEAN WITTER. Companies such as TOYS 'R' US, CHILD WORLD and LIONEL have all been hurt already. This weakness "may force Toys 'R' Us, in some instances to compete more aggressively on a price basis than they normally would," says ROBERT SCHWEICH of WERTHEIM SCHRODER. (CNN "Moneyline", 12/6)

"My guess is that technology and biotech will do well in any rallies over the next couple of months," says ROBERT FARRELL, chief market analyst for MERRILL LYNCH. "This will be the growth decade, where growth managers and growth stocks do well." ("Investor's Daily", 12/6)

"It's very positive that the Fed is recognizing that at least the banking sector ... could use some help," says TIM SCALA of SEQUOR GROUP. He says only the highly capitalized banks will really benefit, however. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/5)

MICHAEL PLODWICK says he and fellow C.J. LAWRENCE bank analyst CAROLE BERGER changed their ratings on nine banks from sell to hold because it appears the Fed will soon ease monetary policy significantly. "Typically, bank stocks bottom when the Fed easing begins," says Plodwick. However, he says the firm hasn't changed its negative view of bank fundamentals. (WSJ, 12/6)

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#90340m0002 12/06/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 6) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"There are many who think fundamentals will eventually weigh on the dollar, but chartwise, it's hard to argue with a higher dollar at this point," says JOHN LYMAN, senior customer dealer at BANK OF TOKYO in New York. (WSJ, 12/6)

TIM SCALA of SEQUOR GROUP says he is "quite comfortable with the dollar" at the current levels. "We're coming into year-end where there's traditionally a demand for dollars," so he says it "isn't the time to be short." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/5)

Currency markets "are still very nervous about peace, war, peace, war," says ROBERT RYAN of BANK OF NEW YORK. These worries have added to the fluctuations in the greenback, says Ryan. ("Investor's Daily", 12/6)

"It just feel different. It feels comfortable for the dollar to rally now," says IAN FOAKES, foreign exchange manager at PAINEWEBBER INTERNATIONAL in New York. (WSJ, 12/6)

STEVEN SLIFER at LEHMAN BROTHERS says a number of economic reports due out next week should be very weak and "I think that sets up the expectation that the Fed will probably cut rates again between now and their FMOC meeting on Dec. 18." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/5)

"Fundamentals in the economy will ultimately determine the direction of interest rates," says WALTER FRANK of DONOGHUE'S. He adds, "the fundamental trend in rates is down." (NYT, 12/6)

The "near-term outlook for the economy has clearly worsened," says ARNOLD KAUFFMAN, editor of "S & P Outlook." "We aren't counting on much of a further dip in long term rates" at least until the first quarter of next year. (CNBC "The Money Wheel", 12/6)

The bond market action yesterday was "generally disappointing," says CAROLINE BAUM of TELERATE. She believes the bond market will be on hold until Friday's unemployment report which, she says will tell the market whether or not the Fed will ease again before the first of the year. She says the market saw the reduction of reserve requirements as a symbolic action. (FNN "Business A.M.", 12/6)

THE ECONOMY:

Despite "elements of strength in the economy, on balance the slide in economic activity is continuing," says WILLIAM MacREYNOLDS of the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. "On the manufacturing side, productivity is making a comeback, and that's good for the economy." But MacReynolds points out that service sector productivity is declining, which may lead to lower employment. ("Investor's Daily", 12/6)

Even though factory orders were up a surprising 2.8% analysts are not overly encouraged. "I would in no way conclude that this is the sign of a bottom in manufacturing," says ROSEANNE CACH of FIRST BOSTON. She says the weak economy may not prompt another Fed ease immediately. "I think it takes policy makers

awhile to admit that there is a recession." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/5)

"After the close of trading yesterday, there was an unsubstantiated report that basically, terms for a withdrawal from Kuwait were on the table," says HILLTOP TRADING oil trader DANIEL USLANDER. "This morning we came in lower ... we've rallied on a number of fairly bullish statements." He says the oil market is trading "news item to news item." ("Nightly Business Report", 12/5)

"The major underpinning of this [oil] market was the Persian Gulf crisis," says ANDREW LEBOW of E.D.&F. MAN INTERNATIONAL. "Any movement toward peace really exacerbates the sell-off because the fundamentals were so bad." ("Investor's Daily", 12/6)

Analysts seem to be sounding the death knell of the Gulf crisis. "The war premium is out" of the oil market, says JOHN KINGSTON of "Platt's Oilgram Price Report." NAUMAN BARAKAT of MERRILL LYNCH says, "There is the perception that this crisis will be solved by means other than military." (NYT, 12/6)

IN WASHINGTON:

"This recent budget deal was an absolute abomination," says former White House Budget Director JIM MILLER, who now serves as co-chairman of the TAX FOUNDATION. "The budget deficit is going to be higher next year ... total spending is going to be $100 billion greater next year than it was this year." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/5)

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#90340p0547 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
COLUMBUS, OHIO (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated American Industries, Inc.'s (NASDAQ: COAM) president, R.M. Churchill, today announced the signing of a private placement firm underwriting agreement for $3.5 million.

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#90340p0555 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. (NYSE: CHH) today reported sales for the four weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990, were $272.7 million, an increase of 4.4 percent from the $261.1 million reported in the same fiscal period last year.

The company also reported sales for the 43 weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990, were $2,080.4 million, an increase of 2.1 percent from the $2,037.5 million reported in the prior fiscal period. On a comparative store basis, sales were up 2.3 percent in November and 0.7 percent for the 43 weeks.

The company's 1990 fiscal year included 53 weeks and, based on the 4-5-4 reporting calendar, the November 1990 period began one week later than the November 1989 period. On an adjusted calendar basis, sales for the four weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990 were $272.7 million, a decrease of 5.4 percent from the $288.4 million recorded in the comparable prior year. For the 43 weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990, sales on a calendar basis were $2,155.3 million, a decrease of 0.1 percent from the $2,156.8 million recorded in the same period last year. On a comparative store basis, sales were down 7.4 percent in November and 1.0 percent for the 43 weeks.

Sales for the first four months of the company's fiscal year ended Dec. 1, 1990, were $942.0 million, a decrease of 1.1 percent from the $952.2 million reported in the same period last year. On a comparative store basis, sales were down 2.6 percent for the period.

Carter Hawley Hale operates 114 department stores under the names of The Broadway-Southern California, The Broadway-Southwest, Emporium, Thalhimers and Weinstocks.

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#90340p0558 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTWOOD, MASS. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - LTX Corporation (NASDAQ: LTXX), today announced its financial results for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. Sales were $46,208,000 compared to sales of $30,278,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income was $1,198,000 or 10 cents per share compared to a net loss of $7,544,000 or 76 cents per share in the prior year. Net income for the quarter also included a tax benefit of $256,000 or 2 cents per share relating to the use of a net operating loss carryforward.

Graham Miller, president of LTX, stated: "We are pleased to report a net profit for the quarter. Bookings were higher than the record first quarter of last year with microprocessor testing and the Far Eastern markets being the standout areas. Second quarter prospects are encouraging and should this favorable momentum continue, we hope to achieve our goal of profitability for the year."

LTX Corporation is a leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of computer-controlled equipment for testing linear, digital and mixed-signal devices. For integrating the total production environment, from engineering through final test, LTX offers multi-platform networking and information products. Headquartered in Westwood, Mass., LTX has worldwide sales and service facilities to support its customer base.

LTX CORPORATION
Unaudited Consolidated Statement of Operations
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended	
	10/31/90	10/31/89
Net sales	$46,208	$30,278
Cost of sales	27,639	20,379
Gross profit	18,569	9,899
Engineering & product development expenses	5,140	4,954
Selling, general & adminstrative expenses	10,469	10,553
Income (loss) from operations	2,960	(5,608)
Interest expense, net	1,578	1,936
Income (loss) before income taxes & extraordinary item	1,382	(7,544)
Provision for income taxes	440	0
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	942	(7,544)
Extraordinary item -- tax benefit from net operating loss carryforward	256	---
Net income (loss)	$1,198	$(7,544)
Net income (loss) per share:		
Before extraordinary item	8 cents	(76 cents)
Extraordinary item	2 cents	---
Net income (loss) per share	10 cents	(76 cents)
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	12,214	9,873

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#90340p0560 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

STERLING, VA. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Radiation Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: RADS), today announced that it has been awarded a $34.4 million contract from Unisys Corporation (NYSE: UIS) for the manufacture and testing of 37 AN/FPS-124 Unattended Radar (UAR) Array Antenna/Transmitters for the nation's North Warning System (NWS).

Radiation Systems, Inc. (RSI) manufactured and tested three Engineering Development Models (EDM) between 1986 and 1988 which have demonstrated superior operational performance during the extensive development, test, evaluation and initial operation phases leading to the production contract

award.

Richard E. Thomas, chairman and chief executive officer of Radiation Systems, said the 39 (including 2 EDMs) array antenna transmitters provided by RSI will be installed as part of the short-range radar system to be delivered by Unisys. The UAR is a two-dimensional surveillance radar which will operate unattended. It has a sophisticated performance monitoring fault isolation system which is monitored for specific equipment malfunctions from a remote location. RSI will begin delivery of the systems in early 1992 and will deliver the last antenna/transmitter in late 1993. Thomas said that this award is an important step in the continued development of Radiation Systems' radar business, which is anticipated to provide significant growth for the company even as defense weapons programs are cut back.

Radiation Systems, Inc. designs, manufactures and installs a broad range of antenna systems for radar, air traffic control, tactical military, satellite earth stations, terrestrial microwave and other specialized uses throughout the world.

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#90340p0563 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PEMBROKE PINES, FL (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Claire's Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CLE) today reported net sales for the month of November increased 17 percent to a record $23,880,000 from $20,410,000 a year earlier, with same-store sales remaining comparable to the previous year.

"We are pleased to report these November sales results given that warm weather has contributed to an already lackluster selling environment," stated Rowland Schaefer, Claire's chairman and president.

"We remain confident that the quality and freshness of our merchandise will enable us to achieve record fourth quarter results," he concluded.

Claire's Stores, Inc., the nation's premier retailer specializing in one-stop shopping for women's fashion accessories, currently owns and operates 1,004 stores in 47 states, primarily under the names, "Claire's Boutiques," "Topkapi" and "Dara Michelle."

CLAIRE'S STORES, INC.
(Monthly Sales to Date in 000s)

	FY 1991	FY 1990	Total Change	Same-Store Change
REPORTING CHANGE				

February	$13,960	$ 8,360	67 pct.	26 pct.
March	$20,915	$15,240	37 pct.	7 pct.
April	$18,645	$11,825	58 pct.	24 pct.
FIRST QUARTER TOTAL	$53,520	$35,425	51 pct.	17 pct.
May	$16,940	$11,560	47 pct.	14 pct.
June	$20,610	$14,225	45 pct.	12 pct.
July	$17,700	$12,370	43 pct.	7 pct.
SECOND QUARTER TOTAL	$55,250	$38,155	45 pct.	11 pct.
August	$20,420	$14,020	46 pct.	10 pct.
September	$19,690	$13,420	47 pct.	9 pct.
October	$17,900	$12,110	48 pct.	7 pct.
THIRD QUARTER TOTAL	$58,010	$39,550	47 pct.	8 pct.
November	$23,880	$20,410	17 pct.	0 pct.
FOURTH QUARTER TOTAL	$23,880	$20,410	17 pct.	0 pct.
YEAR TO DATE	$190,660	$133,540	43 pct.	10 pct.

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#90340p0564 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Limited, Inc. (NYSE/LSE/TSE: LTD) reported net sales for the November fiscal month ended Dec. 1, 1990, of $508.5 million, an increase of 24 percent from sales of $410.0 million for the same period in 1989. Sales of $4.018 billion for the 10 months ended Dec. 1 increased 17 percent from the same period last year, excluding results of Lerner Woman.

The company's comparable store sales increased 4 percent in November 1990 and increased 5 percent for the 10 months ended Dec. 1, 1990.

The Limited, Inc., through Lerner New York, Limited Stores, Lane Bryant, Express, Victoria's Secret, Structure, Limited Too, Abercrombie & Fitch, Cacique, Henri Bendel, Victoria's Secret Bath Shops, Bath and Body Works, and Penhaligon's, presently operates 3,861 specialty stores and distributes apparel nationally through the Victoria's Secret, Lerner Direct, Lane Bryant Direct and Roaman's catalogs.

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#90340p0565 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAGINAW, MICH. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Wolohan Lumber Co. (NASDAQ-NMS: WLHN)

said its sales for November were up 4.9 percent to $22,726,000 from $21,660,000 for November 1989. Same store sales were down 0.3 percent.

Eleven-month sales were up 8.6 percent to $277,770,000 from $255,833,000 for the same period of 1989. Same store sales were up 2.4 percent.

Wolohan Lumber Co. is a publicly held company operating 50 lumber and building material retail stores in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Missouri, and Wisconsin.

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#90340p0566 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Kroger Co. (NYSE: KR) said today it has extended by 10 business days its offer to bondholders to exchange their 15-1/2 percent junior subordinated discount debentures for a new, cash interest-paying bond.

The initial offer was announced on Nov. 5 and expired yesterday (Dec. 5). With the extension, the offer will now expire at 5 p.m. on Dec. 20. Kroger said holders tendered less than the required $150 million principal amount of the discount debentures by yesterday's 5 p.m. deadline.

Under terms of the offer, which do not change with the extension, Kroger would give bondholders between $575 and $660 principal amount of a new 13-1/2 percent junior subordinated debenture, due 2003, for each $1,000 face value of the 15-1/2 percent junior subordinated discount debentures they received as part of the company's 1988 restructuring.

Kroger also said it would extend to Dec. 20 the time for holders of "oddlot" 15-1/2 percent junior subordinated discount debentures; i.e., those with a face value of less than $1,000, to tender their debentures for cash.

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#90340p0567 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Tosco Corporation (NYSE: TOS) announced today that it will be undertaking an oddlot buy- back program for stockholders of record as of today, who own 99 shares or less of Tosco common stock.

Under the program, holders of oddlots of Tosco common stock will be offered the highest reported price over the term of the program, Dec. 6, 1990 to Jan.

4, 1991, as published in The Wall Street Journal. Participating stockholders will be charged no commission fee. By reducing the large number of oddlot stockholders, Tosco will save the ongoing administrative costs of serving such stockholders. Eligible stockholders will be contacted shortly by Tosco's agent.

Tosco also reported today that it has declared a fourth quarter dividend of $0.15 per share on its common stock, $0.75 par value, payable to common stockholders of record on Dec. 18, 1990, for payment on Dec. 28, 1990.

Stockholders who participate in the oddlot buy-back program will receive the Dec. 28, 1990 dividend.

Tosco Corporation is a large independent oil refiner engaged in the refining and marketing of wholesale petroleum products on the West Coast of the United States and is one of the largest U.S. manufacturers and wholesale distributors of phosphate-based fertilizer products.

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#90340p0568 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Circuit City Stores, Inc. (NYSE: CC) today announced November sales of $231.9 million, which represents an 11 percent increase from November 1989 sales of $208.4 million and a 6 percent decrease in comparable store sales.

Sales for the third quarter ended November 30, 1990, were $590.0 million, a 12 percent increase from $525.9 million in the third quarter of last year. Comparable store sales for the quarter declined 5 percent.

Circuit City continued its geographic expansion during the month with the opening of 10 Superstores. Two Superstores were added in the Philadelphia, Penn.; Miami, Fla.; and San Diego, Calif. markets. One Superstore was added in Atlanta, Ga.; and in Phoenix, Ariz.; and a Superstore that will replace a consumer electronics-only store was opened in the Washington, D.C., market. The company also opened a mini-Superstore in Victorville, Calif.

In addition to the Superstores, Circuit City opened six mall-based Impulse stores during the month. The Impulse stores are located in Chestnut Hill and Boston, Mass.; Newark, Del.; Columbia and Annapolis, Md.; and Dallas, Texas.

Circuit City Stores, Inc. is the nation's largest specialty retailer of brand-name consumer electronics and major appliances. With headquarters in Richmond, Va., it operates 156 Superstores, 15 Circuit City stores and 14 Impulse mall stores in the eastern, midwestern and western United States.

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#90340p0573 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOMINGUEZ, CA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Pic 'N' Save Corp. (NASDAQ: PICN) announced today that its sales from continuing operations for the four weeks ended Nov. 25, 1990 were $51,609,000, up 19.6 percent from $43,166,000 for the same period in the prior year.

Sales from continuing operations for the 43 weeks were $375,409,000, up 13.5 percent from the prior year's sales of $330,769,000 for the same period. Sales in comparable stores for the month of November and for the year to date increased by 11.1 percent and 3.5 percent, respectively. Sales comparisons exclude the company's 14 Job Lot Pushcart stores which were sold in August of this year.

During November, the company opened four stores, one each in Hialeah, Florida; Ceres, California; Houston, Texas; and Chalmette, Louisiana, bringing to 190 the number of stores in operation at the end of the period. The stores in Florida are operated under the trade name The WOW! Store.

The company also announced that since the start of 1990 through Dec. 3, it had purchased 5,117,800 shares of its stock in open market transactions as part of its previously announced share repurchase program. The company now has 30,683,414 shares outstanding.

"Both customer traffic and average purchases increased sharply in November compared to the prior year," said William M. Jacobs, Jr., senior vice president, chief financial officer.

"Virtually all Pic 'N' Save markets experienced stronger sales. Sales increases occurred throughout the month, including the important holiday shopping weekend following Thanksgiving."

The company, through its subsidiary, PNS Stores, Inc., operates a chain of 190 retail stores in the West and the South. These stores all specialize in new, closeout, general merchandise which is sold at substantial reductions from original retail prices.

CONTACT: Michael S. Sitrick or David S. McAdam of Sitrick and Co., (213) 208-1108; or John F. Hoffner, VP, (213) 761-4246, or William M. Jacobs, Jr., Senior VP, of Pic 'N' Save Corp., (213) 761-4210.

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#90340p0574 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Navistar International Corporation (NYSE: NAV) today reported a net loss of $11 million, or $.16 per common share, for its fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990. This compares with net income of $87 million or $.23 per common share, for 1989.

Navistar said consolidated sales and revenues of manufacturing and finance operations for 1990 totalled $3,854 million, approximately nine percent below the $4,241 million reported for the prior year.

For the fourth quarter of 1990, the Chicago-based truck manufacturer reported a loss of $7 million, or $.06 per common share, on consolidated sales and revenues of $971 million. For the same period last year, Navistar recorded a loss of $13 million, or $.08 per common share, on consolidated sales and revenues of $1,011 million. The lower year-to- year loss is attributable to improved manufacturing efficiencies which more than offset the effects of lower sales volume.

James C. Cotting, chairman and chief executive officer, said Navistar's sales and income for the fourth quarter of 1990 and the fiscal year reflect the impact of the continued industry-wide softness in retail demand for medium and heavy trucks. He said the principal factor in the lower demand for trucks was the slowing of economic growth in the United States.

In Navistar's fourth fiscal quarter, North American truck industry retail sales of medium and heavy trucks totalled 70,100 units, a decline of 15 percent from 82,000 units for the comparable quarter last year. Navistar's retail sales of medium and heavy trucks for the same three months totalled 21,300 units, a 12 percent decline from 24,300 units last year.

Navistar's parts sales in the fourth quarter of 1990 were approximately two percent above the comparable quarter last year. Shipments of mid-range diesel engines to original equipment manufacturers declined about nine percent from the year-ago quarter.

Navistar is the leading manufacturer of medium and heavy trucks in North America and the worldwide leader in the production of mid-range diesel engines.

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BENSALEM, PA. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Charming Shoppes Inc. (NASDAQ: CHRS), the retail women's apparel chain, today reported that total sales for the four weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990, increased 18 percent to $80.5 million from $68.1 million for the comparable period ended Dec. 2, 1989.

Sales for comparable stores increased 11 percent during November. Sales for

the 10 months ended Dec. 1, 1990, increased 11 percent to $709.6 million from $637.2 million for the comparable period last year. The company's year-to-date comparable store sales increased 4 percent.

Charming Shoppes Inc. operates 1,073 stores in 40 states, primarily under the names of "Fashion Bug" and "Fashion Bug Plus."

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TROY, MICH. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Arbor Drugs, Inc. (NASDAQ: ARBR), which currently operates 107 drugstores in Michigan, today announced an 11.0-percent increase in net income and a 17.3-percent increase in sales for its first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Eugene Applebaum, chairman, president and chief executive officer, attributed the strong performance to outstanding sales, close attention to controlling expenses and successful new store expansion.

Arbor's fiscal 1991 first-quarter net income was $2,663,000, or $.28 per share up from $2,399,000, or $.25 per share, in fiscal 1990.

Net sales were $92,878,000 this quarter vs. $79,177,000 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989. Comparable store sales increased by 10.4 percent for the three-month period.

The board of directors of the Troy-based retailer today also announced a 25-percent increase in the regular quarterly cash dividend by declaring a dividend of $.05 per share, payable Jan. 2, 1991, to holders of record as of Dec. 19, 1990.

Applebaum noted, "By raising the cash dividend for the second time in the last 18 months, we are rewarding our shareholders for their investment in our company. This dividend increase demonstrates our confidence in the future of Arbor Drugs and our optimism for continued profitable growth."

Commenting on the results, Applebaum said, "We are very pleased with our successful first quarter, particularly in view of the current economic environment. Our excellent sales reflect both double-digit increases in sales by comparable stores (stores in operation for at least 12 months) and a strong performance by our new stores. Arbor's profits continue to reach new records, despite the higher expense ratio related to the 15 new drugstores opened over the last seven months."

Applebaum added, "Our aggressive expansion plans for fiscal 1991 are on target. The initial performance of the nine new drugstores that we have added

since the fiscal year began on Aug. 1, 1990, has exceeded our expectations. Importantly, Arbor continues to increase its market share in our primary trading area of southeastern Michigan."

Arbor Drugs, the nation's 22nd largest drugstore chain, completed the first quarter with 102 stores and has opened five new stores thus far in the second quarter of fiscal 1991. Plans for the remainder of the current fiscal year include opening at least six more new stores.

Forbes recently ranked Arbor Drugs among the "200 Best Small Companies in America" for the third consecutive year.

ARBOR DRUGS, INC. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Dollars and number of shares in 000s)

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31		
	1990	1989	Pct. Chg.
Net sales	$92,878	$79,177	+17.3
Cost of Sales	67,132	57,047	+17.7
Selling, general & admin. expense	21,241	18,090	+17.4
Income from operations	4,505	4,040	+11.5
Income before income tax	4,074	3,666	+11.1
Income tax provision	1,411	1,267	+11.4
Net income	2,663	2,399	+11.0
Earnings per common share	$.28	$.25	+12.0
Weighted average number of common shares	9,540	9,522	+0.2
Number of stores (at end of period)	102	87	+17.2

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GRAND RAPIDS, MI (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Gantos, Inc. (NASDAQ: GTOS) today reported sales of $24.6 million for the four weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990, an increase of 18 percent from $20.8 million for the equivalent period of 1989.

The company's comparable store sales for the month of November were unchanged from the same period last year.

For the 43 weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990, Gantos sales increased by 12 percent to $206.8 million from $184.0 million during the same period last year. Comparable store sales for the 43 weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990, declined by 3 percent.

Gantos, Inc. is a leading retailer of quality women's wear that currently

operates 167 stores in 25 states.

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STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of General Host Corporation (NYSE: GH) declared its regular quarterly dividend of 8 cents per share on its outstanding common stock, the company announced today. The dividend is payable Jan. 4, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 21, 1990.

With 280 stores in 18 states, General Host operates the nation's largest specialty retail chain devoted specifically to the sale of lawn and garden products, crafts, and Christmas merchandise. Its main operating unit is Frank's Nursery & Crafts.

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#90340p0580 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Harley-Davidson, Inc. (NYSE: HDI) announced today that it was surprised and disappointed by a verdict reached by a jury in State Superior Court in Orange County, Calif. yesterday which found the company liable for damages in a lawsuit brought by a former supplier of aftermarket motorcycle exhaust pipes. Harley-Davidson called the jury's findings unjustified and not supported by the evidence.

The company will immediately seek all available legal remedies to set aside or reverse the findings, and it is confident that it will ultimately prevail. The company indicated that the verdict will have no effect on its continued operations.

A jury awarded the plaintiff, Christy Dello, proprietor of his former company, FUBAR, compensatory damages, including damages for emotional distress, in various amounts which, if taken separately and aggregated, would exceed $1.25 million, and punitive damages of $5.5 million for losses arising out of an alleged oral agreement made with former employees of Harley-Davidson in 1980. At the time of the alleged agreement, Harley-Davidson was a subsidiary of AMF Inc.

Dello's suit claimed that Harley-Davidson entered into an oral contract with his company to supply motorcycle exhaust pipes indefinitely. More than two years after going out of business, he sued Harley-Davidson claiming, among other things, fraud, breach of confidence and misappropriation of trade

secrets.

Timothy K. Hoelter, Harley-Davidson vice president, general counsel, maintained that Harley-Davidson did nothing wrong, saying, "I feel the weight of the evidence does not support the jury's findings and will not withstand a judicial appeal if that should become necessary. I think the jury's findings were the result of them not understanding the evidence. We will aggressively seek to overturn this verdict."

Harley-Davidson, Inc., the only American-based motorcycle manufacturer, produces heavyweight motorcycles and a complete line of motorcycle parts and accessories. Its Holiday Rambler subsidiary is a leading manufacturer of premium recreational vehicles, specialized commercial vehicles and a diverse range of related products. Harley- Davidson, Inc. is also a manufacturing contractor for a variety of industries, including the U.S. Department of Defense.

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#90340p0582 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Heilig-Meyers Company (NYSE: HMY), the Richmond-based home furnishings retailer, today reported sales results for the month of November 1990. Net sales for the month rose approximately 14.6 percent to $40.5 million as compared to $35.3 million for November 1989. Sales in stores which were open for the comparable month in the prior year increased approximately 3.7 percent.

Net sales for the nine-month period ended November 1990 increased approximately 16.3 percent to $282.1 million compared to $242.5 million for the same period last year. Sales in stores which were open for the comparable period in the prior year increased approximately 6.8 percent.

Heilig-Meyers Company, a Virginia corporation, presently operates 319 stores in 12 states.

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#90340p0583 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Calvary Holdings, Inc., announced today that it had commenced its tender offer announced last Friday for all of the outstanding shares of the common stock, $1.00 par value, of Diceon Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ: DICN), at $5.25 per share. The offer and withdrawal rights will expire at 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Monday, Jan. 7, 1991,

unless the offer is extended. As previously announced, the offer is conditioned upon, among other matters, obtaining the required financing to consummate the transaction and the purchaser's satisfaction that the terms of the Delaware Business Combination Statute will not be applicable to the transaction which, in turn, is likely to require approval of the tender offer by the company's board of directors. Calvary indicated that it has been informed that Diceon's annual meeting is scheduled to be held on Jan. 16, 1991 at which shareholders of record on Nov. 27, 1990, will be entitled to vote. Accordingly, shares purchased after Nov. 19, 1990, and settled in the ordinary five-business-day settlement period without receipt of a proxy from the record owner will not be able to vote at the meeting.

In connection with the annual meeting, Calvary notified Diceon on Nov. 27, 1990, that it intended to nominate a state of directors and propose certain amendments to Diceon's by-laws which, if approved by a majority of the shares present and voting at the meeting, could result in the disqualification of the existing members of the board and Calvary obtaining control of Diceon's board of directors. If the amendments to the by-laws are not authorized at the meeting, only a single seat on the four-member board will be up for election at the annual meeting. If Calvary's nominees are successful in obtaining control of Diceon's board, they have announced that they intend to consider options to maximize shareholder value, including the possible approval of the tender offer made by Calvary or any other offer at a price which represents a substantial premium over market.

Calvary Holdings, Inc., was formed by Calvary Partners, LP, a San Diego based LBO research and deal origination firm. Diceon, headquartered in Irvine, Calif., manufactures sophisticated multi-layer printed circuit boards for the computer industry.

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#90340p0585 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Dayton Hudson Corporation (NYSE: DH) today reported that its net retail sales for the four weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990, increased 37.4 percent to $1.55 billion from $1.13 billion a year ago. (Total sales for the month on an adjusted exact week comparison were up 15.1 percent.)

Comparable-store sales were up 21.4 percent reflecting the favorable impact from a 7-day Christmas season shift between the 1990 and 1989 accounting calendar. Comparable-store sales on an adjusted exact week comparison (the best measure of true performance this year) were up 3.4 percent.

Kenneth A. Macke, chairman and chief executive officer, said the corporation is satisfied with the month. "Mervyn's had another strong month with a 10

percent ad-for-ad comparable sales increase and Target's ad-for-ad comparable sales increases are solid.

"It is clearly a more competitive and more promotional holiday season. The consumer is focusing on traditional and functional items. I believe we will see very ordinary sales numbers through the middle of December; we expect stronger selling the last 7 to 10 days of the season. Our inventories are in good shape and our in-stock position is excellent."

Macke said it will be most meaningful to look at November-December sales combined.

November sales by business segment for the four weeks were as follows: -- Target's total sales rose 26 percent while comparable-store sales were up 20 percent. On an exact week comparison, Target's total sales were up 7 percent and comparable-store sales were up 2 percent.

-- Mervyn's total sales increased 43 percent and comparable-store sales increased 39 percent. On an exact week comparison, Mervyn's total sales were up 12 percent and comparable-store sales were up 10 percent.

-- The Department Store Division's comparable-store sales were up 3 percent. On an exact week comparison, the Division's comparable store sales were down 2 percent. (The comparable-store sales number includes Marshall Field's, this year and last.)

The corporation's sales for the 43 weeks ended Dec. 1 were $11.25 billion, up 16.5 percent from $9.65 billion in the same period a year ago. Comparable-store sales for the 43-week period were up 6.8 percent compared to the same period last year.

As of Dec. 1, 1990, Dayton Hudson operated 708 stores in 33 states.

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#90340p0589 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - JCPenney (NYSE: JCP) stores and catalog sales for the four weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990, amounted to $1,508 million against $1,555 million in the comparable period a year earlier. The decline amounted to 3.1 percent. On a comparable store basis, that is stores open at least a year, sales decreased 4.6 percent.

Consumer demand during November in JCPenney stores was slow particularly during the week after Thanksgiving said William R. Howell, chairman of the board. Additionally Howell noted, the volume in catalog continued to lag

behind the preceding year's level. Strong performers during the period included children's apparel and women's sportswear and dresses.

For the 43 weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990, sales of JCPenney stores and catalog rose 0.9 percent to $11,984 million, up from $11,875 million in the same period in 1989. On a comparable store basis, sales decreased 0.3 percent.

JCPENNEY SALES SUMMARY
($ in millions)

	Period Ended		Percent Incr./(Decr.)		
	12/1/90	12/2/89	All Units	Comparative Units	Four weeks
JCPenney stores & catalog	$1,508	$1,555	(3.1)	(4.6)	
Drug stores	87	80	9.6	7.9	
Total company	$1,595	$1,635	(2.4)	(4.0)	43 weeks
JCPenney stores & catalog	$11,984	$11,875	0.9	(0.3)	
Drug stores	881	789	11.6	8.3	
Total company	$12,865	$12,664	1.6	0.3	

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#90340p0590 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAYNE, PA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Alco Standard Corp. (NYSE: ASN) and its subsidiary, Paper Corporation of America (PCA), announced today the acquisition of Bay Colony Paper Corporation of Norwood, Mass.

The company is a distributor of industrial paper and paper products with annual revenues of approximately $16 million. It will operate under Rourke Eno Paper Company of Hartford, Conn., a PCA operating company, and will expand Rourke Eno's presence in the Boston market.

Bay Colony will remain at its present location under the leadership of its president, Robert J. Malone, one of its founders.

Alco Standard Corp., headquartered in Valley Forge, Pa., is a publicly owned distribution and services company. For its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $4.3 billion.

With $3.4 billion in annual sales, Paper Corporation of America is the largest distributor and converter of paper and related products in the United States. PCA serves customers in 50 states through a national network of 23 operating companies in more than 200 locations.

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#90340p0592 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Woolworth Corporation (NYSE: Z) reported today that total sales for the four weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990, rose 7.9 percent to $904 million from $838 million in the comparable year-earlier period.

Domestic sales for the four-week period increased 4.9 percent to $476 million from $454 million, and foreign sales, expressed in U.S. dollars, rose 11.3 percent. If foreign exchange rates had remained constant, foreign sales would have increased 3.1 percent and total sales would have increased 4.1 percent. Domestic comparable store sales for the four-week period rose 1.3 percent.

For the cumulative forty-three weeks ended December 1, total sales rose 11.9 percent to $7,711 million from $6,893 million in the corresponding year-earlier period.

Domestic sales for the forty-three-week period increased 7.4 percent to $4,332 million from $4,033 million, and foreign sales, expressed in U.S. dollars, rose 18.1 percent. If foreign exchange rates had remained constant, foreign sales would have increased 10.1 percent and total sales would have increased 8.5 percent. Domestic comparable store sales for the 43-week period rose 3.9 percent.

Commenting on November sales, Harold E. Sells, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "Strong gains at Kinney in the U.S. and Woolworth in Germany were largely offset by disappointing sales in other specialty and general merchandise divisions." He observed that these results reflect weak economic conditions and lackluster consumer spending in much of the U.S. and Canada.

As of Nov. 24, 1990, Woolworth Corporation operated a total of 8,712 stores, compared to a total of 8,160 stores on the comparable date the year before. The 8,712 stores located in the United States, Canada, Germany, Australia, Belgium, and the Netherlands consisted of some 7,063 specialty stores in more than 40 formats and 1,649 general merchandise stores.

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#90340p0594 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
JERICHO, NY (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Getty Petroleum Corp. (NYSE: GTY) today reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

According to Leo Liebowitz, Getty's president and chief executive officer, "On the second day of our third quarter, the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait resulted in gasoline prices rising at an unprecedented rate. At the same time, President Bush urged all oil companies to use restraint in increasing their retail prices. We, along with many oil companies, complied with the President's

request. During the first two months of our third quarter, we sold gasoline at less than our cost, resulting in a negative profit margin. In October, the last month of our quarter, margins did improve but not enough to cover our expenses and allow us to return to profitability. Our profit margins for November, the first month of our fourth quarter, however, have improved to more normal profitable levels."

For the third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, the company experienced a net loss of $17.2 million, or $1.35 per share, on revenues of $319.4 million. This compares with net income of $7.2 million, or $.55 per share, on revenues of $290.5 million for the comparable period last year.

For the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, the company experienced a net loss of $18.9 million, or $1.46 per share, on revenues of $891 million. This compared with net income of $16.8 million, or $1.28 per share, on revenues of $861 million for the nine month period ended Oct. 31, 1989.

Liebowitz also stated that the third quarter results of operations included a pre-tax LIFO inventory charge of $16.9 million. As of Oct. 31, 1990, the carrying value of the company's LIFO inventory was $20.1 million below replacement cost.

On Nov. 16, 1990, William Rea, who was manager of supply and distribution in 1985, and Getty Terminals Corp., a subsidiary of Getty Petroleum Corp., were found guilty of conspiring with two other companies in 1985 to evade federal gasoline excise taxes. The company intends to vigorously appeal the verdict and has fully provided for the potential costs associated with this matter in the third quarter, except for a possible fine of up to $2 million.

Getty Petroleum Corp., one of the nation's largest independent marketers of gasoline and petroleum products, markets in a 13-state area in the Middle Atlantic and Northeastern regions of the United States. The company is also a major marketer of heating oil and is a wholesale distributor of a variety of petroleum products through its East Coast petroleum storage and distribution network.

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BAKERSFIELD, CA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Nahama & Weagant Energy Co. (NASDAQ: NAWE) has made a new field discovery southwest of the Tremont Gas Field in Yolo County, Calif., near the city of Davis.

Located on a 1,300-acre property, the initial well tested at a daily production rate of 2.6 million cubic feet of gas through a 12/64th inch choke. Tubing pressure and casing pressure were 2,518 and 2,490 pounds, respectively

and shut-in tubing pressure was 2,560 pounds. Nahama & Weagant, which will be the operator, has a 41 percent interest in the well with the majority of the remaining interest held by the company's financial partner, the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co.

Baked in Bakersfield, Nahama & Weagant Energy Co. is an independent engaging in oil and gas exploration, development and production, primarily in California and Oregon.

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#90340p0601 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Chiquita Brands International, Inc. ("Chiquita") (NYSE: CQB) announced the public offering by Chiquita of 3.0 million shares of common stock at $30.625 per share, of which 1.65 million shares are being offered in the United States and 1.35 million are being offered outside the United States.

Prior to the offering, American Financial Corporation ("AFC") beneficially owned, either directly or through its subsidiaries, approximately 61 percent of Chiquita's shares. After the offering, AFC will own approximately 57 percent of Chiquita's shares.

Lehman Brothers, Merrill Lynch & Co., Prudential-Bache Capital Funding and S.G. Warburg Securities are acting as managers for the U.S. offering. S.G. Warburg Securities is the lead manager for the international offering.

Chiquita is a leading international marketer, processor and producer of quality fresh and prepared food products. In recent years, Chiquita has capitalized on its Chiquita(R) and other brand names by building on its worldwide leadership position in the marketing, distribution and sourcing of bananas; by expanding its quality fresh fruit and vegetable operations; and by further developing its business in value-added prepared foods.

jhis announcement is neither an offer to sell nor a solicitation of an offer to buy these securities. Any offer is made only by prosepectus. Copies of the prospectus are obtainable in any state from Lehman Brothers, Merrill Lynch & Co., Prudential-Bache Capital Funding and S.G. Warburg Securities, as managers, and such other dealers as may lawfully offer these securities in such state.

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#90340p0602 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Woolworth Corporation (NYSE: Z) opened its first store this morning in what was East Germany, returning to the very same property in the city of Halle where its German subsidiary operated a store before World War II. The New York-based company became the first U.S. retailer to open for business in the former East German territory.

Halle, on the Saale River, is an industrial and mining center of some 330,000 people about 100 miles southwest of Berlin. The store has 7,000 square feet of selling space and will feature selections of merchandise usually found in comparably sized Woolworth stores in the rest of Germany - categories including candies, cosmetics, household goods, stationery, electrical appliances, clothing, baby articles, and toys.

The Halle store, originally opened by Woolworth in 1933, was operated after the war by an agency of the East German government. The property has now been returned to Woolworth's ownership.

The Halle store is the first of two stores Woolworth plans to open in the former East Germany before the end of 1990. The second opening is planned for Dec. 7 in Sommerda, in Thuringia State, about 145 miles southwest of Berlin.

Woolworth, in addition, is considering opening six to eight other stores in what was East Germany in 1991. Before the Second World War, the German company which was established in 1926, operated 19 stores in what became East Germany and what is now the western portion of Poland.

Harold E. Sells, chairman and chief executive officer of the parent company in New York, assisted in the grand-opening ribbon-cutting, attended by national and local business and political dignitaries and many early-morning shoppers. Peter Ellegast, managing director of F.W. Woolworth Co. GmbH, Woolworth's wholly owned German subsidiary, hosted the festivities.

"The Woolworth store we opened today in Halle - the first retail store to be opened by us or any other U.S. retail company in the former East German territory - indicates our faith in the long-term economic strength of the region," Sells said.

"We see a potential of 30-to-40 Woolworth stores to open in what was East Germany during the next several years." Sells stated that the German subsidiary's stores in West Berlin and in other cities bordering the former East Germany have been thronged with eager shoppers from East Germany since the collapse of the Berlin Wall in November 1989.

In Germany, Woolworth currently operates 296 full-scale and "mini" Woolworth general merchandise stores, as well as 170 specialty shops under such names as: Rubin, offering costume jewelry and accessories; Moderna/Der Schuh family shoe stores; Lady Plus apparel shops; New Yorker apparel shops; and Foot

Locker, brand-name athletic footwear and apparel stores. The German company employs over 16,000 in its stores, distribution centers and other facilities throughout Germany.

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#90340p0603 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAM BUXTON NAMED PRESIDENT OF PACIFIC AIRMOTIVE CORP.

ANNAPOLIS, MD (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - UNC Incorporated (NYSE: UNC) announced today that Sam Buxton has been named president of Pacific Airmotive Corp. (PAC), UNC's large engine overhaul subsidiary located in Burbank, Calif., effective Dec. 3, 1990.

In his new position, he will report directly to John J. Bonasia, group vice president, Engine Overhaul Operations.

Buxton joins UNC from Alaska Airlines, Seattle, where he was assistant vice president, Engineering, since January of 1989. Prior to that, Buxton was with American Airlines for more than 15 years where he held increasingly responsible positions in American's maintenance and engineering area.

Pacific Airmotive Corp. overhauls JT8D engines for several domestic and international airlines. PAC also does PT-6 and Twin Pac engine overhaul work for foreign and domestic business aviation customers.

UNC Incorporated, listed on the New York Stock Exchange, is engaged in overhauling aircraft engines and aircraft components, manufacturing and repairing jet engine parts, and providing contract aviation services.

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#90340p0604 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
RALEIGH, NC (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Stanley Wright, president of Raleigh Federal Savings Bank, Raleigh, N.C., and Ed Roughton, president of Pioneer Savings Bank, Inc., Rocky Mount, N.C., announce the signing of a non-binding letter of intent whereby Raleigh Federal would acquire the loans and deposits of Pioneer's two north Raleigh locations and its Parkwood Mall location in Wilson, N.C.

Pioneer's offices in Raleigh are located at 7705 Leadmine Road and 6408 Falls of the Neuse Road and have deposits totaling approximately $22 million. The Wilson location is at 302 Ward Boulevard and has approximately $4.5 million in

deposits.

Under the terms of the letter, Raleigh Federal would acquire Pioneer's existing facilities and continue to service the customers from the acquired locations. "This is the most economical way for Raleigh Federal to expand its customer base in the Raleigh and Wilson markets," stated Wright. Wright further said, "It also fills a gap in our defined market area."

According to Roughton, "Pioneer recognizes its lack of market penetration in the Raleigh and Wilson markets and will focus our efforts on other existing locations. We are extremely pleased to announce the sale of these offices to Raleigh Federal and know our Raleigh and Wilson customers will continue to receive excellent service from Raleigh Federal."

The transaction, which is subject to regulatory approval, should be completed in early 1991.

Raleigh Federal Savings Bank, a wholly owned subsidiary of RS Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: RFSB) has approximately $770 million in assets and is headquartered in Raleigh, N.C. Pioneer Savings Bank, Inc., which has assets of approximately $536 million, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Pioneer Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PSBN), headquartered in Rocky Mount, N.C.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - A&W Brands, Inc. (NASDAQ: SODA) announced today that it has extended its tender offer, dated Nov. 5, 1990, for any and all of its outstanding 12-3/4 percent subordinated notes due 1996 (the "notes") until 9:00 a.m., New York time, on Dec. 21, 1990. Pursuant to the tender offer, the company is offering to repurchase any and all of the outstanding notes at a price of $105.50 for each $100 principal amount of each tendered note. The company will also pay accrued, but unpaid, interest on the notes up to, but not including, the date of payment to each tendering noteholder. The company announced that, prior to this extension, noteholders holding notes in the aggregate principal amount of $8,900,000 had tendered their notes in this tender offer. As a result, the remaining outstanding principal amount of the notes is only $3,695,000, out the original issue of $35,000,000. The company presently intends to redeem on May 15, 1991, at the redemption premium of $104.80 per $100 principal amount provided for in the indenture governing the notes, all outstanding notes not tendered and repurchased in this tender offer.

In connection with this tender offer, each tendering noteholder is required to deliver a consent to the deletion of certain restrictive covenants and other

provisions from the Indenture governing the issuance of the notes. The terms of this tender offer are described in the offer to purchase and solicitation of consent and the procedure for tendering notes is described in the letter of transmittal and consent, each of which has been distributed to registered noteholders. The agent for the company on this tender offer is The First National Bank of Boston, contact Davis Young or Tracy Meyer, 617-575-2166. This offer will expire at 9:00 a.m., New York time, on Dec. 21, 1990, and the company has no present intention to further extend this tender offer.

A&W Brands, Inc., headquartered in White Plains, markets nine soft drinks in five flavor categories. The brands include A&W Root Beer, diet A&W Root Beer, A&W Cream Soda, A&W diet Cream Soda, Squirt, Diet Squirt, Vernors, diet Vernors and Country Time Lemonade in ready-to-drink form.

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DALLAS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - BancTec, Inc. (NASDAQ: BTEC), Thomson-CSF, a French company, and Thomainfor S. A., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Thomson have signed a memorandum of understanding to establish a joint venture company to develop, market and service financial transaction processing systems and data capture solutions. The joint venture company will also receive exclusive rights to market products provided by BancTec and Thomson to end-users and distributors in specified territories including continental Europe, Scandinavia, and northern Africa.

BancTec will contribute to the joint venture company all of the outstanding shares of its wholly-owned subsidiary, BancTec GmbH, headquartered in Frankfurt, and other consideration, and Thomainfor will contribute all assets, liabilities and contracts of its Cyberbanque operations which are headquartered in Paris. BancTec and Thomainfor, each of which will own 50 percent of the joint venture company, expect to executive a definitive agreement by Dec. 31, 1990.

BancTec, Inc. provides computerized systems for processing financial transactions, including checks, remittance advices, sales drafts and giro documents. BancTec designs, manufactures, markets and services products that employ optical character recognition, magnetic ink character recognition and image processing technologies to read, digitize, encode, sort and process financial documents.

Thomson-CSF is one of the world's leading electronics corporations with 1989 revenues of approximately $15 billion of which 70 percent are international sales. Its Information Technology Group core business includes engineering workstations, system integration, software and third party maintenance.

CONTACT: G.W. Mayland, senior vice president and chief financial officer of BancTec, 214-450-7753; or Christophe Robin of Thomson-CSF, 33-1-49-07-8732

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FARMINGTON, NM (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The registration statement of Mesa Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ: MESA) covering the public offering of 750,000 shares of Mesa's common stock was declared effective at 9:30 a.m., Washington, D.C., time today by the Securities and Exchange Commission. The shares are being offered by the company at $7.25 per share and the proceeds will represent new financing. The offering is pursuant to a firm underwriting managed by Oppenheimer & Co. Inc.

The company operates as an independent air carrier out of its Albuquerque, N.M., and Phoenix hubs and as a United Express carrier out of its Denver hub under a code-share agreement with United Airlines. Skyway Airlines, a wholly owned subsidiary operated as a code-share with Midwest Express Airlines out of its Milwaukee hub.

A written prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933 may be obtained from: Oppenheimer & Co. Inc.; Oppenheimer Tower, World Financial Center; New York, NY 10281; Attn: Syndicate Department.

CONTACT: Gary Risley of Mesa Airlines, 505-327-0271.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Westworld Resources, Inc. (NASDAQ: WSTW), together with the other owners of Empresa Minera Inti Raymi, S.A., today announced that a decision has been made to proceed with the development of the Kori Kollo gold mine in Bolivia.

The company expects construction of the mining and processing facilities to begin in the first quarter of 1991, with gold production beginning in the second half of 1992 at an annual rate of approximately 240,000 ounces of gold. The company owns a 24.5 percent interest in the project.

The decision to proceed was based on the results of a feasibility study which was just completed on the project. The development project is expected to cost approximately $100 million and the average cash production costs are estimated at less than $180 per equivalent ounce of gold produced. This operating cost estimate does not include depreciation of capital, interest on financing, royalties or taxes.

The company expects the project to be financed partially with third party financing. Battle Mountain Gold Company (BMGC) (NYSE: BMG) is expected to fund

any amount that can not be financed with such funding.

Westworld Resources and Zeland Mines will repay BMGC for their respective shares of any financing provided by BMGC out of 70 percent of the cash flow attributable to their respective shares.

Westworld Resources, Inc. is a gold and silver mining company based in Houston. Empresa Minera Inti Raymi, S.A. is a Bolivian mining company based in La Paz, Bolivia. Empresa Minera Inti Raymi, S.A. is owned by Westworld Resources, Inc. (24.5 percent), Zeland Mines, S.A. (24.5 percent) and Battle Mountain Gold Company (51 percent).

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#90340p0611 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Arianespace and Societe Europeenne des Satellites (SES) have signed contracts for the launch of Astra 1C and Astra 1D the third and fourth members of this highly successful family of TV broadcast satellites.

The original Astra 1A was launched by Arianespace on Dec. 11, 1988, with Astra 1B set to follow in February 1991. Both Astra 1C and 1D will be placed into geostationary transfer orbits by Ariane 4 launchers from the Kourou Space Center in French Guiana. Scheduled launch dates are the beginning of 1993 and the beginning of 1994, respectively.

SES' newest Astra satellites will each retransmit 18 channels of TV and multiple radio programs to Continental Europe and Great Britain. The platform is a three-axis stabilized Hughes aircraft HS 601. Offering a design life of 15 years, it is equipped with 24 63-watt Ku-band transponders, including six spares for operating security. Astra 1C will weigh about 2,635 kg (5,797 lb) at liftoff, with the 1D version slightly heavier at 2,730 kg (6,006 lb).

Founded in 1985, Luxembourg-based Societe Europeenne des Satellites is a privately owned satellites system operator. Astra 1A, its first satellite, was launched on Ariane Flight 27 and entered service in February 1989. All 16 channels are already leased.

Including these two last contracts, the 14th and 15th of the year, Arianespace backlog now stands at 36 satellites to be launched, worth approximately FF 16.2 billion (U.S. $3 billion) and represents a workload of four years.

Arianespace, an industrial and commercial company, is a world leader in the provision of commercial space transportation services. Arianespace also markets and sells Ariane launch services and provides launch operations from

the Guiana Space Center in French Guiana. Arianespace Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Arianespace, is responsible for marketing launch services in the United States; a liaison office in Tokyo assures an Arianespace presence in Japan and in the Pacific region.

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#90340p0615 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELKIN, NC (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Brendle's Incorporated (NASDAQ-NMS: BRDL) today reported results for the third quarter of fiscal 1991. For the three months ending November 3, 1990, sales and other income increased 18.0 percent to $59,870,000, compared with $50,720,000 in the third quarter of fiscal 1990. The Company incurred a net loss of $3,669,000, or $.46 per share, compared wtih a net loss of $2,452,000, or $.31 per share, in the same quarter last year.

For the nine months ending November 3, 1990, sales and other income were $169,623,000, up 16.6 percent from $145,457,000 recorded in the first three quarters of fiscal 1990. The Company reported a net loss of $7,241,000, or $.90 per share, compared with a net loss of $5,350,000, or $.67 per share, in the comparable period a year ago.

Douglas D. Brendle, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, indicated that comparable store sales decreased 5.7 percent in the third quarter, and year-to-date comparable store sales decreased by .8 percent. Comparable store sales were reflective of the overall downturn in the economy, as well as the impact of troop deployments away from communities in which Brendle's has stores.

Commenting on the results, Brendle remarked, "We are please that we have been able to achieve our plan of opening thirteen new locations, relocating two of our existing stores, and expanding our distribution center on a timely and cost-efficient basis; however, we are disappointed that the benefits from these new stores have not been fully realized because of the softness of the economy that began in September of 1990. Even though the economy has weakened considerably when compared to the same period a year ago, we believe that our everyday low prices, coupled with an enhanced presence in our markets, will enable us to weather this current economic slow down and permit us to take advantage of opportunities as they arise."

Brendle's Incorporated operates 59 discount retail stores in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, and Georgia which offer nationally advertised, brand-name merchandise at everyday low prices. The Company's shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol BRDL.

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#90340p0620 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLARKSBURG, WV (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Alamco Inc. (AMEX: AXO) today announced significant upward revisions in the company's estimate of its oil and gas reserves.

Based on a recent report by an independent petroleum engineer, Alamco's estimate of total proved reserves was 32.9 equivalent billion cubic feet ("bcf") as of July 1, 1990, representing a net increase of over 11 percent from proved reserves reported at the end of 1989.

After taking into account production for the first six months of 1990. Proved developed reserves increased by 3.1 bcf or 11.7 percent to 30.0 bcf. Proved undeveloped reserves now stand at 2.9 bcf or 5.1 percent higher than year-end 1989.

John Schwager, the company's president and chief executive officer, said that the revisions were made because of Alamco's successful reserve development efforts which have proven the existence of commercially producible quantities of natural gas in formations (of existing wells) which have not yet been opened to production. Gas reserves were also added because Alamco's new Tennessee gas gathering system permits gas sales from a field which previously had produced only oil.

Alamco, headquartered in Clarksburg, W.Va., is an independent producer of gas and oil in the Appalachian Basin with a major operating concentration in West Virginia gas fields.

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#90340p0621 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Best Buy Co., Inc. (NYSE: BBY) today reported sales for November 1990, (Nov. 4 through Dec. 1) and the third quarter of the company's 1990-91 fiscal year.

According to Allen Lenzmeier, senior vice president/finance, November 1990 sales of $65 million were 16 percent more than the $56 million achieved for the comparable four-week period last year. Sales for the third fiscal quarter (Sept. 2 through Dec. 1) were $171 million, a 25 percent increase over $137 million for the comparable period last year. Year-to-date sales increased 25 percent to $449 million, as compared to $359 million last year.

Best Buy grand opened four stores Nov. 23, 1990, three in the Dallas/Ft. Worth market and one in Madison, Wis., bringing the company's total number of retail locations to 57. Of the 57 stores, 41 are currently considered comparable whose sales decreased 6 percent for November 1990 and one percent for the third quarter. Best Buy considers a store to be comparable the 14th full month following its opening.

Best Buy now reports sales on a 5-4-4 week basis. Net income and earnings per share are disclosed quarterly. Third quarter earnings are expected to be released at the end of December, Lenzmeier said. Best Buy is the fourth largest publicly held consumer electronics and major appliance retailer in the U.S. The company sells nationally recognized name brand consumer electronic products, 35mm photographic equipment, home office products, entertainment software, and major appliances at 57 stores located in Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Illinois, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska. Best Buy's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange, symbol BBY.

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#90340p0623 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, WV (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Drilling is under way on Petroleum Development Corp.'s (NASDAQ: PETD) (PDC) last 17 wells of 1990, according to James N. Ryan, chairman.

The program is expected to include at least 17 wells, bringing the company total to 56 wells for 1990. The wells will be drilled in several north central West Virginia counties for natural gas at depths of 4,500 to 5,000 feet.

The 56-well total will more than double the 27 wells which PDC drilled in 1989 and will be PDC's largest drilling program since 1980, when the company drilled 60 wells. Primary funding for the wells has been provided by PDC's publicly registered drilling partnerships.

PDC will retain 20 percent of the partnership interest for its own account. PDC recently announced that it anticipates record earnings in 1990 as a result of the success of its drilling programs and a debt refinancing.

So far in 1990, PDC has closed three partnerships in its 1990 Drilling Program with total subscriptions of $7.1 million. A fourth partnership is scheduled to close on Dec. 31, 1990, to fund drilling activities in the first quarter of 1991.

According to Dale G. Rettinger of PDC, the recent Budget Act significantly enhanced the attractiveness of the year-end program to investors due to the two-year extension of a natural gas tax credit.

The company plans to continue to develop its West Virginia properties in 1991, and has filed a 1991 drilling program with the Securities and Exchange Commission for registration.

Petroleum Development Corp., a leading Appalachian independent oil and gas company, is headquartered in Bridgeport, W.Va., and is engaged in the business of exploring for, developing and producing oil and natural gas. Petroleum Development's common stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market with the symbol PETD.

CONTACT: Dale G. Rettinger of PDC, 304-842-3597.

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#90340p0630 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The May Department Stores Company (NYSE: MA) today reported preliminary sales from continuing operations of $964.5 million for the four-week period ended Dec. 1, a decrease of two-tenths of one percent from sales of $966.5 million during the calendar-adjusted four-week period last year. The company's 1989 fiscal year included 53 weeks and, based on the 4-5-4 reporting calendar, the November 1990 period began one week later than the November 1989 period. Because of the significance within the fourth quarter, sales are being reported on an adjusted basis aligning the 1989 calendar to 1990.

Year-to-date sales for the first 10 months of fiscal 1990 were $7.72 billion, up 6.3 percent from sales of $7.26 billion during the calendar-adjusted year-ago period.

November sales for the department store segment were $866.2 million, a decrease of 1.1 percent or $9.9 million from last year's calendar- adjusted sales. Volume Shoe's sales totaled $98.3 million, an increase of 8.8 percent or $7.9 million from last year's calendar-adjusted sales.

During November, May opened a Kaufmann's department store at Carousel Mall in Syracuse, N.Y., and 22 net new Payless ShoeSource stores.

Sales have been restated to exclude the sales of divisions which have been discontinued, as well as stores which have been closed and not replaced. Year-to-date sales, including nonreplaced closed stores, were $7.75 billion and $7.23 billion in the 1990 and 1989 periods, respectively.

The May Department Stores Company is one of the largest retailers in the United States, operating 303 department stores and 2,891 specialty shoe stores.

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#90340p0631 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - CRS Sirrine Engineers, Inc., a subsidiary of CRSS Inc. (NYSE: CRX), has been awarded the design engineering contract for the electrical reliability and power plant retrofit project at Champion International's newsprint mill near Sheldon, Texas.

Construction is scheduled to begin in early 1991 and will complete in 1995. Among the engineering services being provided are control systems, mechanical, electrical, piping, structural, materials handling and plumbing.

Currently, CRS Sirrine Engineers, Inc. is providing design engineering services for the modernization project at Champion's mill in Canton, N.C..

CRSS, through its subsidiaries, is a diversified design and construction services company and is involved in the independent power/cogeneration industry. CRSS has also expanded through its interest in NaTec Resources, Inc., into the acid rain pollution control market.

CONTACT: Steve Pierce of CRSS Sirrine Engineers, 713-552-2158

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#90340p0640 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
MOUNT AIRY, N.C. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Insteel Industries, Inc. (AMEX: III), one of the nation's largest wire products manufacturers, today announce that it has entered into an agreement with Community Builders International, based in Florida and in Israel, under which Community Builders International will become the master distributor in Israel for Insteel's new 3-D(TM) panel building system.

Community Builders International is undertaking a housing development in Israel utilizing the 3-D construction system and will also stock and distribute 3-D panels for other builders in Israel. The first container shipment bound for Israel departed the Insteel facility in Brunswick, Ga., this week.

The Insteel 3-D panel building system, which was invented in Austria by EVG Company and is new to North America, is produced by Insteel Construction Systems, Inc., a division of Insteel Industries, at its plant in Brunswick. The 3-D element is a three-dimensional welded wire space frame integrated with an expanded polystyrene insulating core. The lightweight 3-D element is shipped and erected without concrete. After erection on the job site, concrete is applied to each side of the element producing a steel-reinforced concrete sandwich wall.

The 3-D panel system offers design flexibility for architects and engineers by

permitting various combinations of steel mesh diameters, strengths and concrete thickness. It has a variety of applications, including residential, commercial, industrial and institutional structures. End-uses include single- or multi-story construction for regular or low-cost housing: curtain, privacy sound barrier and retaining walls; and precast panel sections for low- or high-rise construction. The system has many advantages over conventional construction materials, including built-in thermal insulation, excellent sound characteristics, improved security, low maintenance costs and ease of installation.

Insteel Industries, Inc. produces welded wire reinforcement, high and low carbon industrial wire, galvanized fencing products, specialty wire fabrics and nails. Community Builders International, with an experienced professional management and sales team in place, will not only undertake the housing development but will also license government- qualified construction companies in Israel to build and sell finished houses.

CONTACT: Howard O. Woltz Jr., chairman of the board of Insteel Industries, 919-786-2141

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#90340p0642 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, CA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Ross Stores Inc. (NASDAQ: ROST) today reported sales of $86 million for the four week period ended Dec. 1, 1990, a 23 percent increase above the $70 million in sales for the four weeks ended Dec. 2, 1989. Comparable store sales for the same period increased 4 percent over last year.

For the ten months through Dec. 1, 1990, sales were $637 million, a 9 percent increase above $584 million in sales for the prior year's comparable period ended Dec. 2, 1989. For the ten months, comparable store sales were down 3 percent on a day-for-day basis from last year.

Ross Stores Inc. operates a national chain of off-price retail stores offering first quality, in-season, branded apparel and apparel-related merchandise for the entire family. The company had 185 stores in operation at Dec. 1, 1990, compared to 156 stores at the end of the same period last year.

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#90340p0646 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Graphic Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: GRPH), a leading full-service printing and graphic communications company, today reported that sales and earnings were up for the third quarter and first nine months of this fiscal year.

It was the company's fourth consecutive quarter of higher earnings compared to year-earlier results.

For the three months ended Oct. 31, sales advanced to $85,656,000 with net income of $1,360,000 or $.14 per share of common stock, fully diluted, compared with sales of $84,867,000 and net income of $1,280,000 or $.13 per share of common stock, fully diluted, for the third quarter last year.

For the nine months, sales increased to $251,336,000 with net income of $4,245,000 or $.44 per share of common stock, fully diluted, compared with sales of $228,418,000 and net income of $3,281,000 or $.34 per share of common stock, fully diluted, for the first nine months last year.

"While these results are less than we had hoped for earlier in the year, we are pleased with this performance in light of the current economic environment and the uncertainty caused by the Persian Gulf crisis," said Mark C. Pope III, chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

"This increase in earnings was achieved in spite of the economic downturn combined with already softened demand and strong pricing competition in our markets," Pope said.

For the year ended Jan. 31, Graphic's sales were a record $310,330,000, ranking the company 20th among commercial printing firms in North America.

Graphic operating companies include IPD Printing & Distributing Inc., Williams Printing Co., Stein Printing Co., Atlanta Blue Print Co., Ryco Inc., Prizma Photographics, Executive Courier Inc., and Northside Blueprint, all based in Atlanta; Edwards and Broughton Co., Raleigh, N.C.; Craftsman Printing Co., Charlotte, N.C.; A&E Reprographics, Jacksonville, Fla.; W.E. Andrews Co. Inc., Boston; W.E. Andrews Co. of Connecticut, Hartford, Conn., and Central Press of Miami; Wetmore & Co., Houston; Heritage Press Inc., Dallas; Printing Service Inc., Detroit; A.J. Kennedy & Co., Chicago; the State Printing Co., Capital Blueprint Co. and Piedmont Printmakers, all of Columbia, S.C.; Band & White Inc. and Spartan Blueprinters, Spartanburg, S.C.; Atlantic Reprographics, Myrtle Beach, S.C.; Piedmont Printmakers, Greenville, S.C.; Arco Blueprinters, Asheville, N.C.; A&E Reprographics, Savannah, Ga.; Macon Blue Print, Macon, Ga.; Baum Printing Inc., Philadelphia; Hoechstetter Printing Co. Inc.; Pittsburgh; Mercury Printing Co. Inc., Memphis, Tenn.; and Monroe Litho Inc., Rochester, N.Y.

CONTACT: Donald P. Hunnicutt of Graphic Industries, 404-874-3327.

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#90340p0647 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

VICTORIA, BC, (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Battery One-Stop Inc. (Battery One-Stop)

(NASDAQ: BATTF, Alberta Stock Exchange: BTB) announced today that same store sales for the month of November 1990, for stores opened at least one year, increased 19 percent over the same month the previous year. Company wide, monthly sales increased 389 percent to Cdn. $1,980,662 in November 1990, compared with November 1989 sales of Cdn. $509,750. Year-to-date sales of Cdn. $9,742,873 represent a 492 percent increase over 1989 sales of Cdn. $1,980,455 for the same period.

Battery One-Stop is a specialty retailer of over 500 types of dry cell batteries and battery-operated products. The company currently owns and operates 151 stores in both the United States and Canada.

The Alberta Stock Exchange has neither approved or disapproved the contents of this press release. For further information please contact Edward Geric, vice president, finance, Battery One-Stop Inc., 200, 2046 Oak Bay Avenue, Victoria, British Columbia, V8R 1E4, 604/598-2222.

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#90340p0649 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Duquesne Light Co. has agreed to pay a $50,000 civil penalty to the Department of Environmental Resources (DER) for illegal wastewater discharge at its Phillips Power Station in Crescent Township, Allegheny County, it was announced today.

"In 1985 and 1986, Duquesne Light exceeded permitted levels for suspended solids in wastewater discharged to the Ohio River," DER Regional Director Charles A. Duritsa said. "While the power station has not operated since December 1987, this settlement is important in preventing more pollution problems when the facility resumes operation."

In addition to paying the penalty for discharge violations, the company has agreed to prevent groundwater pollution by lining its treatment ponds or constructing an above-ground wastewater treatment facility.

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#90340p0656 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - CF Income Partners L.P. (NYSE: CFI), a Los Angeles-based master limited partnership, announced today that the 1990 fourth quarter cash distribution will be reduced from 25 cents to 4 cents per unit. Based upon projected results for 1991, the general partner does not anticipate that a further reduction will be necessary.

Under the provisions of the partnership agreement, with the reduction of the quarterly distribution, the performance incentive fee for the fourth quarter will not be paid to the general partner. This will save the partnership approximately $500,000 in cash for the quarter.

CF Income Partners L.P., formerly Cal Fed Income Partners L.P., is a publicly-traded master limited partnership that invests in income producing multi-family residential, commercial, and industrial properties.

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#90340p0662 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Crane Co. (NYSE: CR) today announced the sale of two of its operating units, Sea-Pac Sales Co., a distributor of floor covering products, and its McAvity division, a Canadian manufacturer of waterworks valves and hydrants for an aggregate sales price of approximately $19 million.

The businesses had combined annual sales of $56 million and operating profits of approximately $2 million. These sales are part of Crane's ongoing program of redeploying assets to improve performance.

Crane Co. is a diversified manufacturer of engineered industrial products, serving niche markets in aerospace, fluid handling, automatic merchandising, and the construction industry. Crane's wholesale distribution business serves the building products markets and industrial customers.

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#90340p0668 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears Merchandise Group today reported that its gross revenues from continuing operations for the four weeks ended Dec. 1 were 1.6 percent below 1989. Comparable store sales were 2.4 percent below 1989, Sears said.

Gross revenues for the period were $3,099,925,009 compared with $3,149,445,905 last year.

For the 43 weeks ended Dec. 1, Sears Merchandise Group reported gross revenues of $27,481,465,931. This was an increase of $552,162,945 or 2.1 percent compared to revenues of $26,929,302,986 in the same period of 1989.

SEARS MERCHANDISE GROUP

	Four Weeks	43 Weeks
1990	$3,099,925,009	$27,481,465,931
1989	3,149,445,905	26,929,302,986
Change	(49,520,896)	552,162,945
Percent Change:		
From continuing operations	(1.6)	2.1
Comp. retail store change	(2.4)	2.1

CONTACT: Gerald E. Buldak of Sears Roebuck & Co., 312-875-8371

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#90340p0669 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Cray Research, Inc. (NYSE: CYR) board of directors today approved two elections: Ed Masi, previously senior vice president, marketing, was elected to executive vice president, marketing; and William (Bill) L. Gacki, who joins Cray Research from Exxon Corporation, was elected treasurer.

In his new position, Masi continues his responsibility of overseeing Cray Research's worldwide marketing activities for the company. Recently, Masi led the reorganization of the company's domestic field operation, which involved the merger of the U.S. regional business units into one single sales and service operation, the Americas and Asia Pacific Group. Throughout the spring and summer of 1990, he also led the restructuring of Cray Research's European operation, a step taken to favorably position the company in the rapidly growing European market. Masi joined Cray Research in 1980 from International Business Machines (IBM) where he worked for 11 years. Masi holds a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Tufts University.

As treasurer, Gacki is responsible for the company's cash management, financing, and investor relations. Gacki brings extensive finance and treasury work experience from Exxon, where he held a variety of domestic and international financial posts over 18 years. Most recently Gacki served as the manager of money markets and trading for the treasurer's department at Exxon's headquarters in New York. Prior to this position, he served as manager of the finance and planning group of the treasurer's and public affairs department of Esso Inter-American, and as treasurer of Esso Brazil, in Rio de Janeiro. Gacki holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Lehigh University and a master of business administration degree in finance and international business from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Sloan School.

Cray Research, Inc. designs, manufactures, markets, and supports large-scale, high-performance computer systems for scientific and engineering applications.

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#90340p0670 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
ARUBA, DUTCH CARIBBEAN (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Divi Hotels N.V. (AMEX: DVH) announced today that Tomdor Ltd. has made a commitment to purchase the Divi Anchorage Beach Hotel on Antigua for a purchase price of $12,000,000. The transaction is contingent only upon delivery of good title and is expected to close in March, 1991.

Tomdor Ltd. has arranged for Sandals Resorts to manage and operate the Anchorage Beach Hotel facilities. Sandals Resorts owns and operates five all-inclusive resorts on the island of Jamaica.

CONTACT: Kevin E. Roberts, chief financial officer, William L. Reed, secretary/treasurer, both of Divi Hotels Marketing, Inc., 607-277-3484

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#90340p0671 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - ICM Property Investors Incorporated (NYSE: ICM), a real estate investment trust, reported today the completion of a previously announced transaction in which it purchased five industrial properties from Peter B. Bedford, a Lafayette, Calif.- based real estate developer. Three of the properties are located in the East Bay community of Concord in the San Francisco metropolitan area and two are in Kansas suburbs of Kansas City.

The company paid $9,050,000 for the properties, of which $3,937,500 was in the form of 500,000 newly issued shares of the company's common stock, and $5,112,500 was in the form of first mortgage notes which are held by a major insurance and financial services company. The stock was valued at $7.875 per share for purposes of the transaction. As a part of the transaction, Bedford was granted a six-month option to purchase 500,000 new shares of the company's stock at a price of $7.875 per share.

The complexity of the transaction and the desire of the parties to complete it in a reasonable time resulted, the company said, in a smaller transaction than originally contemplated.

ICM Property Investors announced that the properties are: -- Buildings 3 and 8 Concord Diablo Industrial Park,
Concord, Calif. -- Building 18, Mason Industrial Park, Concord, Calif. -- Cody Street Building 6, Congleton Industrial Park,
Overland Park, Kan. -- Building 3, Ninety-ninth Street Business Park, Lenexa, Kan. Each of the investments was acquired by a separate wholly owned subsidiary of ICM Property Investors Incorporated. The acquisition prices in no case exceeded valuations by appraisers engaged by the independent directors

of ICM Property Investors. In addition, Merrill Lynch & Co. rendered its opinion that the consideration paid by the company pursuant to the transaction taken as a whole, was fair to the company from a financial point of view.

CONTACT: Arthur W. Viner, chairman and president of ICM Property Investors, 212-986-5640

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#90340p0672 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Michigan Consolidated Gas Company (MichCon) today resolved, pursuant to MichCon's Articles of Incorporation, to redeem 120,000 shares of its Redeemable Cumulative Preferred Stock, $2.05 Series, on Jan. 31, 1991. These shares are being redeemed for sinking fund purposes.

The shares to be redeemed shall be selected on a random lot basis of such stock as of Dec. 17, 1990, the record date for the redemption. The redemption price will be $25 per share plus an amount equal to preferential dividends at the rate of $2.05 per share per annum accrued and unpaid to the redemption date, amounting to $.5125 per share, for a total redemption price of $25.5125 per share. Notices of the redemption can be found from time to time during the month of December in The New York Times.

Notice of the redemption will be mailed by Dec. 31, 1990, to the holders of shares to be redeemed. The redemption is being handled for MichCon by NBD Bank, N.A., 611 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48226.

MichCon, a wholly owned subsidiary of MCN Corporation (NYSE: MCN), is a natural gas distribution, storage and transmission company serving more than 1 million customers residing in 465 communities throughout Michigan.

CONTACT: Sally A. LePla of MCN Corporation, 313-256-5349

-30- 1485

#90340p0674 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Schlumberger Limited (NYSE: SLB) today declared a quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share on outstanding stock. The dividend is payable Jan. 11, 1991 to shareholders of record Dec. 17, 1990.

CONTACT: Roger Goodan of Schlumberger, 212-350-9432

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#90340p0675 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARSIPPANY, NJ (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of General

Public Utilities Corp. (NYSE: GPU) today declared a regular quarterly dividend on its common stock of 65 cents per share, payable Feb. 27, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 25.

GPU's quarterly dividend was raised to 65 cents per share in April 1990. GPU is a registered electric utility holding company with three operating subsidiaries: Jersey Central Power & Light Co., Pennsylvania Electric Co. and Metropolitan Edison Co. The GPU System provides about 39 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity to more than 1.8 million customers in a service territory encompassing about half the land area of Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

CONTACT: Phyllis A. Rieger of GPU, 201-263-6779

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#90340p0678 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

VAN NUYS, CA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Valley Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ: VFEDC) today announced its participation in a corporate-wide "Holiday Toy and Food Drive" through its branch network to benefit local charities.

Valley Federal branch offices located in the San Fernando Valley and San Joaquin Valley are accepting canned goods and toy donations that will be distributed to local charitable organizations for the holiday season.

The branch donations will benefit local community charities including Meeting Each Need with Dignity and Loaves and Fishes in Van Nuys; Toys for Tots in Canoga Park, Simi Valley and Thousands Oaks; Child Abuse and Neglect in Ventura; Salvation Army in Burbank; Inyo- Mono Advocates for Community Action in Bishop; Valley Shelter in Encino; MANNA in Woodland Hills and Westlake Village; The Tything Place in Turlock; the Optimist Club in West Hills and Tarzana; Madera Ministerial Association in Madera and Marjaree Mason Center in Fresno.

Valley Federal, with assets of approximately $2.7 billion and 33 savings branches in California, is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol VFEDC. Valley Federal's deposits are insured by the FDIC and are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States government.

CONTACT: Craig A. Parsons or Kim P. Feazle of Rifiknd Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Valley Federal Savings.

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#90340p0679 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nuclear Regulatory Commission Staff has cited Baltimore Gas & Electric (BG&E) for an alleged violation involving the security program at the Calvert Cliffs nuclear plant near Lusby,

Maryland.

The NRC staff proposes to fine BG&E $12,500. An anonymous telephone call received by the NRC in September alleged that a shift-security supervisor had allowed dozens of employees access to the protected area without a proper search, and that the supervisor ordered the alarm volume turned down on the metal detectors, because they had been malfunctioning. A subsequent investigation by BG&E confirmed the allegation.

The NRC-approved security plan calls for a hands-on search of all persons whenever the metal or explosives detection equipment is out of service, or not operating properly. The NRC alleges 100 people, who are normally authorized to have access to the facility, gained access to the plant without being searched during the 15 minutes the alarms were turned-down. In addition, at least four other security officers allowed this to happen, without questioning it and without reporting it.

In a letter to BG&E, Thomas T. Martin, Regional Administrator of NRC Region I, said, "Given the number of individuals involved, as well as the poor judgment exercised by the responsible security shift supervisor and the lack of response by other security officers present, the NRC considers this violation significant."

The base fine for such a violation is $50,000. After taking into consideration the company's prior good performance in the security area, the fine was reduced by 75 per cent to $12,500. The fine was not reduced in its entirety because the licensee's corrective actions did not include applying the lessons learned in the initial and requalification training programs for security officers.

Baltimore Gas & Electric has been given 30 days to either pay the proposed fine or to request in writing that all or part of it be withdrawn, giving the reasons for such a request. The company also has been given 30 days to admit or deny the alleged violation, to give reasons for it if admitted, then to describe the actions taken to prevent a recurrence in the future, and to give the date by which it expects to be in full compliance with NRC regulations.

The State of Maryland has been informed of this proposed enforcement action.

CONTACT: Karl Abraham or Diane Screnci of the NRC, 215-337-5330.

-30- 2672

#90340p0683 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHORT HILLS, NJ (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Hoechst Celanese Corporation today announced its acquisition of Custom Compounding Inc., one of the leading PTFE (polytetrafluorethylene polymer) compounders in the United States.

Custom Compounding Inc., headquartered in Aston, Pa., with additional facilities in Chester, Pa., and Houston, manufactures PTFE- filled compounds utilizing proprietary technology. It purchases PTFE from a number of companies including Hoechst Celanese and expects to continue such purchases. As the newest subsidiary of the Hoechst Celanese Advanced Materials Group, Custom Compounding will operate as a separate business entity with its current work force and will continue to provide the high-quality service and products known throughout the industry.

The acquisition affirms Hoechst Celanese Corporation's intention of becoming a more significant factor in the U.S. fluoropolymer market.

"The acquisition fits well with Hoechst Celanese Corporation's growth strategies and long-term investment plans aimed at increasing our base of operation and presence in the U.S. PTFE market," said Thomas C. Bohrer, group president of the Hoechst Celanese Advanced Materials Group.

"We believe that Hoechst Celanese Corporation's financial resources and Hoechst's technology base in fluoropolymers will enable Custom Compounding to achieve its ambitious goals for future growth," said Ronald B. Taylor, president of Custom Compounding Inc.

"It is anticipated that the synergy between the technical and sales forces of the two companies will significantly strengthen our ability to deliver high-quality service and products to fluoropolymer customers," said Bohrer.

The Hoechst Group is the second largest supplier of engineering and high-performance plastics throughout the world and is a leading supplier of fluoropolymers. It has supplied PTFE to the U.S. market for many years under the registered trademark HOSTAFLON.

Hoechst Celanese, a wholly owned subsidiary of Hoechst AG of Germany, is a $6 billion (sales) corporation with leading positions in advanced materials, chemicals, fibers and films and life sciences.

CONTACT: Ann Frechette of Hoechst Celanese, 201-635-4357

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#90340p0685 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE) said it does not plan to appeal the fine of $12,500, levied today by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, for a security violation on Sept. 13, 1990.

Additional training has been implemented emphasizing appropriate responses to equipment malfunctions and immediate reporting of any Security concerns. Work on replacing the malfunctioning metal detectors, which was underway at the time of the incident, was completed a short time thereafter. Some personnel

involved in the incident have been reassigned to non-nuclear facilities.

As pointed out by the NRC, BG&E's "past performance in the Security area has been good," and this past record was a significant factor in reducing the fine.

CONTACT: Arthur J. Slusark of Baltimore Gas & Electric, (301) 234-7433.

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#90340p0686 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir today reported a 5.4 percent gain in revenue passenger miles flown in scheduled service during November compared with the same month of last year.

Available seat miles flown rose 4.7 percent. November load factor was 59.9 percent compared with 59.5 percent for November 1989.

During the first 11 months of 1990 USAir posted a gain of 5.5 percent in revenue passenger miles flown versus the same period of 1989, and a gain of 7.0 percent in available seat miles flown. Year-to-date load factor was 60.1 percent compared with 60.9 percent for the same period of 1989.

Statistics for the 1989 period prior to USAir's merger with Piedmont Airlines on Aug. 5, 1989, have been restated to reflect the combined airline operations of both carriers on a pro forma basis.

	November		Percent	Year to Date		Percent
	1990	1989	Change	1990	1989	Change
RPMs (000)	2,935,039	2,785,783	5.4	32,708,256	31,001,477	5.5
ASMs (000)	4,897,276	4,679,237	4.7	54,455,116	50,872,696	7.0
Passenger load factor	59.9 pct.	59.5 pct.	0.4 pts	60.1 pct.	60.9 pct.	(0.8)pts
Avg. passenger journey (mi)	593.1	548.2	8.2	589.9	549.5	7.4
Passengers enplaned	4,949,027	5,081,409	(2.6)	55,444,160	56,412,752	(1.7)

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, 703-418-5100, or 213-417-1294 (Western Region)

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#90340p0690 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - At the annual shareholders meeting for Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc. (NCT) (NASDAQ: NCTI), John J. McCloy, chairman of NCT, announced that the board of directors had unanimously abandoned the proposed reverse stock split and that the company's capitalization will remain as presently constituted. The meeting held on

Tuesday, Dec. 4, in Stamford, Conn., reviewed NCT's performance during the past year and underscored its profitable financial prospect for 1991.

"The outlook for the company has never been brighter," noted McCloy. "We believe that our employees' dedicated effort and hard work, together with the support and confidence that our shareholders and customers have demonstrated, provide the basis for a strong 1991."

For an in-depth review of NCT's activities and business position, McCloy and Michael Parrella, president of NCT, will be featured by the leading Manhattan cable financial investment program, Financially Yours (channel 16). NCT will air on two separate days next week, including Monday, Dec. 10, at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, Dec. 13, at 11:30 p.m.

Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc. is a world leader in active noise and vibration abatement. A publicly traded company, NCT trades its common stock in the NASDAQ market. The company owns worldwide patents for the process and application of active noise and vibration cancellation to a variety of industries. NCT is headquartered in Stamford with research and development facilities in Linthicum, Md., and a European base in Cambridge, U.K.

CONTACT: Cy Hammond of Noise Cancellation Technologies, 203-961-0500; or Jordan Chanofsky of Technology Solutions, 212-505-9900, for Noise Cancellation Technologies

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#90340p0691 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Duff & Phelps today placed the long-term debt securities of American Telephone and Telegraph Company (AT&T), currently rated 'AA+' (Double-A-Plus), on the Watch List -- Trend Unfavorable. Approximately $4.4 billion of currently outstanding debentures and a shelf registration for $976 million of notes are affected by this action. The long-term debt securities of AT&T Capital Corporation, currently rated 'AA+' (Double-A-Plus), have also been placed on the Watch List -- Trend Unfavorable because of the support provided by the parent under an operating agreement. The action affects approximately $1.5 billion of medium- and long-term notes at AT&T Capital Corporation.

"These Watch List additions reflect the imponderables regarding the financing of AT&T's bid for NCR Corporation (NCR) as well as the challenge of integrating AT&T's computer business with NCR's operations should the acquisition be successful. AT&T has proposed a stock-for- stock merger valued at $90 per NCR share which expires at the close of business on Wednesday, Dec. 5, 1990, but NCR has rejected the offer. Whether AT&T makes a new offer remains to be seen, but there is a possibility that cash could be utilized; this would necessitate borrowing by AT&T, thereby pressuring debt protection measures," explained a spokesman from Duff & Phelps.

AT&T is the largest provider of long distance telecommunications service in the U.S. This business continues to be AT&T's principal source of financial strength. AT&T's products businesses continue to face strong competition, and in some segments margins have been disappointing. In a move away from its traditional businesses, AT&T has targeted the financial services business as an area for growth.

CONTACT: John C. Culver, CFA of Duff & Phelps, 312-368-3129.

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#90340p0692 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Edison Brothers Stores, Inc. (NYSE: EBS) today reported sales of $119.1 million for the four weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990. This compares with $99.2 million for the four weeks ended Dec. 2, 1989, an increase of $19.9 million, or 20.1 percent

For the 43 weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990, sales amounted to $950.8 million. This is an increase of $140.2 million, or 17.3 percent, as compared with $810.6 million for the 43 weeks ended Dec. 2, 1989.

CONTACT: Lee G. Weeks of Edison Brothers Stores, 314-331-6531

-30- 693

#90340p0698 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that Danielson Holding Corporation of Greenwich, Connecticut, began trading 13,361,465 common shares today. Trading under ticker symbol DHC, the common stock opened on 500 shares at 3.

Danielson Holding is a liability-free holding company that acquires and owns majority interests in companies in insurance and other businesses, and makes investments in debt and/or equity securities in secondary market transactions. The company emerged from bankruptcy proceedings on Aug. 15, 1990.

Danielson Holding owns a 62.76 percent interest in KCP Holding Company, the holding company for National American Insurance Company of California. This subsidiary writes and markets workers compensation and property and casualty insurance in California as well as other western states.

Danielson Holding has $15.5 million in cash which will enable the company to make its acquisitions.

CONTACT: Lisa Kravitz of American Stock Exchange, 212-306-1632

-30- 1195
#90340p0707 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
HIGHLAND PARK, MICH. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a dividend of 30 cents per share on the company's common stock. The dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 17, 1990.

CONTACT: Tom Houston of Chrysler, 313-252-8790

-30- 462
#90340p0711 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
MORRIS PLAINS, NJ (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Shaving is among the comforts of home missing from the daily lives of advance units of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia. The use of water is restricted in some areas of the region where troops on the front line are stationed. Warner-Lambert Company (NYSE: WLA) is able to offer some measure of comfort.

The pharmaceutical and consumer products company has donated 400,000 Schick Slim Twin Disposable razors and 400,000 tubes of Lubriderm skin lotion, which together can be used to shave under these difficult conditions.

"Warner-Lambert received the request to donate a combination of Schick razors and Lubriderm directly from a member of the armed forces who understands the problems of living in the field. Once we were informed of the situation and the benefits to the troops, we were proud to pull the products together to make the donation," commented Russ Moran, vice president of product management for Warner-Lambert's Consumer Health Products Group.

Warner-Lambert is now coordinating the delivery to ensure it arrives as quickly as possible. "This unique combination of products to help our troops shave is just a portion of the overall commitment being made," Moran added.

Schick recently participated in Operation Oasis by donating 200,000 Schick Slim Twin Disposable razors to troops in the Persian Gulf region. Schick also contributed nearly 100,000 razors to the Rhein Main Air Force Base in Frankfurt, Germany, for personnel in transit to and from the Gulf region.

In addition, Schick Slim Twin Disposable razors were sent to the Division Material Management Center, First Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas, as part of a community donation program for soldiers deployed to the Middle East.

Warner-Lambert is a worldwide company devoted to developing, manufacturing and marketing quality health care and consumer products. It employs approximately 33,000 people.

CONTACT: Peter Wolf of Warner-Lambert, (201) 540-6696, or Steve Naru of Burson-Marsteller, (212) 614-4970, for Warner-Lambert.

-30- 2273

#90340p0712 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - National Healthcare Inc. announced today that a settlement has been reached with the plaintiffs in the litigation, Clay v. National Healthcare, Inc., et al., in the Superior Court of Forsyth County, Ga.

The jury in such action had awarded the plaintiffs approximately $25 million in damages against the company as a result of alleged medical malpractice in January 1987. The company stated that, while the amount of the settlement is confidential, the settlement was made through the company's professional liability insurance coverage and involved no payment by the company to the plaintiffs.

CONTACT: Robert M. Thornton Jr., executive vice president and chief financial officer of National Healthcare, 404-933-5500

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#90340p0722 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Vaughn Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: VGHN) today reported net income in the third quarter of $211,402 or $.09 per share, on net sales of $5,781,900 for the period ended Oct. 31, 1990. This compares with net income of $88,513 or $.03 per share, on net sales of $6,953,900 during the prior year's third quarter. Included in the prior year's third quarter results was a loss from discontinued operations of $54,024.

The company also reports, effective Dec. 1, 1990, it has completed its previously announced acquisition of Teknifilm, Inc. of Portland, Ore., which will expand its duplication capabilities in the Pacific Northwest.

Vaughn is divided into two operating segments: Vaughn Communications Group serves the broadcast industry and a diverse cross section of the business and professional community, with high-speed videotape duplication and state-of-the-art video equipment rental, through its Vaughn Duplication Services and Vaughn Broadcast Rental divisions. Vaughn Display Group manufactures display, promotion, and gift products.

VAUGHN COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	10/31/90	10/31/89	10/31/90	10/31/89
Revenue	$5,781,922	$6,953,946	$18,383,923	$20,024,020
Income from continuing operations	110,798	142,537	193,604	303,112
Gain (loss) from discontinued operations	100,604	(54,024)	100,604	(1,127,415)
Net gain (loss)	$211,402	$88,513	$294,208	$(824,303)

Income (loss) per share of common stock:				
Continuing operations	$.05	$.05	$.08	$.12
Discontinued operations	.04	(.02)	.04	(.45)
Total per share	$.09	$.03	$.12	$(.33)

CONTACT: E. David Willette of Vaughn Communications, (612) 835-5050.

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#90340p0723 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANDOVER, MD (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Safeway Inc. (NYSE: SWY) announced that on Dec. 12 at 9 a.m., it will open a new 56,000 square foot Safeway Marketplace store at The Market at Opitz Crossing in Woodbridge, Va. This is the first Virginia Safeway constructed since the company introduced its ultra-modern Marketplace design on the West Coast in 1989.

The roomy store sports a layout, decor and lighting much different from Safeways built just two years ago. The service departments (deli, bakery, seafood, floral and pharmacy) are found on the perimeter of the store and each has a distinctive shop-front decor.

Hot foods, fountain sodas and self-serve frozen yogurt will complement the offerings available from the juice bar and the soup and salad bars.

This new store makes a technological breakthrough by incorporating the state-of-the-art Margaux refrigeration system, which allows the store's air conditioning and refrigeration needs to be met by using an ozone-friendly refrigerant gas known as R-22. While R-22 has existed for a long time, it is only recently that new technology has been perfected that allows for use of it for supermarket cooling needs without mixing it with other gases.

Except for closing from 11 p.m. Saturday until 8 a.m. Sunday and from 9 p.m. Sunday through 7 a.m. Monday, the store will operate around the clock.

The new store has a street address of 2042 Daniel Stewart Square and is located on the southwest corner of the intersection of Opitz Boulevard and Route 1. In conjunction with the opening of the new store, Safeway has scheduled the closing on Dec. 8 of its Featherstone Plaza store at 14641 Jeff Davis Highway. Safeway has operated a store at that site since June of 1969. The original 20,000-square-foot store was expanded to 31,000 square feet and remodeled in 1980.

Bill Lowe will be the manager of the new Safeway Marketplace and Jim Willis and Kevin Thomas will serve as assistant managers. Spenser Dorsey will be meat department manager and David Treherne will be produce department manager. Joe Holden is the district manager overseeing the new store.

As of December 12, Safeway's Eastern Division will be operating 147 supermarkets from Baltimore County through Williamsburg, Va. The Oakland, Ca.-based company operates over 1,100 stores in the United States and Canada.

The Market at Opitz Crossing is being developed in four phases by John D. Long and Partners.

On Saturday, Dec. 15, Santa Claus will be on hand for pictures and WMZQ will be broadcasting live from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

CONTACT: Jim Roberts of Safeway Stores, Inc., Eastern Division, 301-386-6804.

-30- 2846

#90340p0724 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ERIE, PA. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Autoclave Engineers, Inc. (NASDAQ: ACLV) today announced the appointment of Edward P. Junker, III to the company's board of directors to fill the unexpired term of a retired director.

Junker, 53, is vice chairman of PNC Financial Corp, the nation's 14th largest bank holding company, and chairman and chief executive officer of Marine Bank, a PNC bank. He joined Marine Bank in 1964 and was elected president in 1974, chief executive in 1983 and chairman in 1985. During Junker's seven years as chief executive, Marine's total assets have grown from $800 million to $1.8 billion and earnings have nearly tripled.

Commenting on the appointment, James C. Levinson, president and chief executive officer of Autoclave Engineers, said, "Ted Junker's broad experience and proven financial acumen will make him a valuable member of our board. His added financial perspective is essential to our strategic planning in this uncertain economic environment."

Junker is a 1960 graduate of Pennsylvania State University and a 1969 graduate of the Stonier Graduate School of Banking at Rutgers University.

His professional associations include the Pennsylvania Bankers Association, of which he is the immediate past president. Junker is a trustee of Penn State and serves on the executive committee for the campaign for Penn State. He is also past chairman of the Penn State- Behrend Council of Fellows.

He is very active in community affairs, serving as a member and treasurer of the Erie-Western Pennsylvania Port Authority and as president of the Erie Zoological Society. In addition, he is treasurer and a member of the board of directors and executive committee of the Erie Conference on Community Development. He is a former chairman of the board of trustees and a member of the board of corporators of Hamot Health Systems, Inc. and a member of the board of incorporators for St. Vincent Health Center.

A resident of Fairview, Pa., Junker and his wife, Barbara, have three children.

Autoclave Engineers, headquartered in Erie, with subsidiaries in Erie; Orange, Calif.; and Nogent, France, is a recognized leader in providing high quality engineered products for chemical research and related industrial process markets throughout the world.

CONTACT: June Filingeri or Bernie Kilkelly of Morgen-Walke Associates, 212-986-5900, for Autoclave Engineers

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#90340p0726 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to the upward movement in Ryland's (NYSE: RYL) stock this morning, the company states:

"While we do not know of any activity to generate this increased interest in the stock:

"1. Our outlook for the short term is depressed. Profits will be down significantly through the first two quarters of 1991. Sales continue to be sluggish. However, traffic in our model homes is still good.

"2. Long term, our financial position is sound. We are continuing to concentrate on protecting our balance sheet."

CONTACT: Nancy L. Smith, 301-730-4176, or Catherine B. Campbell, 301-730-6593 of The Ryland Group.

-30- 803

#90340p0727 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - "We forecast a 4-6 percent average annual growth in the U.S. market for flat rolled stainless steel during the 1990s," Jay G. Schwarm, general sales manager-Western Region for Allegheny Ludlum Corp. (NYSE: ALS), said today.

In speaking before more than 100 West Coast executives at a forum sponsored by the American Metal Market, a daily metals publication, he said that "greater recognition of life cycle/quality costing" should mean continued growth in demand for stainless steel.

Among reasons cited by Schwarm is that "for the competitive shopper, stainless steel is a good buy." Over the past ten years the cost of stainless steel has risen at a slower rate than the CPI, other indices and materials, including aluminum and carbon steel.

Schwarm estimated the West Coast market for flat rolled specialty steel

(stainless, high temperature and other corrosion resistant alloys) at over $300 million annually. "We view the West as an integral and fast-growing segment of the overall market," he said. He noted that the area is a very important market for specialty steel strip products for the aerospace and other regional industries.

Alstrip Inc., Allegheny Ludlum's subsidiary, maintains a service center operation in Brea, Calif., specializing in stainless strip steel for regional markets. Schwarm has held responsibilities in sales and marketing at Allegheny Ludlum for 23 years.

Headquartered in Pittsburgh, Allegheny Ludlum is a leading producer of a wide range of specialty materials, including stainless steels, electrical steels and high technology alloys. The company, which is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, reported 1989 sales revenues of $1.2 billion, with net income of $133.8 million.

CONTACT: Bert Delano of Allegheny Ludlum, in Pittsburgh, (412) 394-2813.

-30- 2036

#90340p0728 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - C.W. Coker, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Sonoco Products (NASDAQ-NMS: SONO), and R.C. King, president and chief operating officer, discussed 1990 performance and the company's positioning for 1991 and beyond with financial analysts today, (December 6) at a meeting in New York.

"We continue to expect that when final numbers are in from continuing operations, 1990 will be another record year for us," Mr. Coker told analysts.

The two officers outlined five primary challenges facing the company. These challenges include growing the company's traditional businesses in the range of 8 percent to 10 percent per year; growing consumer packaging businesses in the range of 12 percent to 15 percent per year; putting the high density film products operation back on its growth track; making significant acquisitions of companies within the packaging industry; and continuing its environmental responsibility.

They told the analysts that Sonoco has embarked on a company-wide program designed to instill a total quality management program throughout the organization. "Total Customer satisfaction will become our primary objective and obsession," said Mr. King.

Coker told the analysts that while results from continuing operations will be up slightly over 1989, the figures will be short of stated objectives. Sonoco's goals remain to grow annual earnings per share 10 percent to 15 percent, achieve a return on equity of 20 percent; with consistent dividend

growth.

"We will enter the new year with our businesses well positioned and well managed. Without acquisitions and given a reasonable economy, we would expect 1991 earnings to be within our stated growth objectives," concluded Coker.

CONTACT: R.A. Puffer, Sonoco Products Company, 803-383-7425.

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#90340p0730 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, NY (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - George H. Schofield, chairman of the board of directors, chief executive officer and president of Zurn Industries, Inc., Erie, Pa., has been elected to the board of directors of National Fuel Gas Company (NYSE: NFG). He was elected to a term that expires at the company's Feb. 21, 1991, annual meeting, and was nominated for reelection at that meeting to a full three-year term ending in February 1994.

Bernard J. Kennedy, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of National Fuel, said, "We are very pleased to have Mr. Schofield aboard. He has broad expertise in financial management and extensive experience in the engineering and manufacturing sectors. Also, he strengthens our tie with northwestern Pennsylvania and will bring us the perspective of our very important industrial customers."

National Fuel Gas Company is a public utility holding company with its headquarters in Buffalo. The company operates an extensive natural gas utility system in western New York and northwestern Pennsylvania, is engaged in natural gas and oil exploration and production in the Appalachian area, Gulf Coast regions and in California, and operates a natural gas pipeline network in western New York and northwestern Pennsylvania.

Schofield, 61, joined Zurn in 1985 as president and chief operating officer following a career as a key operating officer with General Electric. He was elected chief executive officer that same year and was elected chairman in 1986.

He is a director of Autoclave Engineers, Inc., is active in a number of community activities and serves as a board member of many business and human service organizations.

CONTACT: Arthur K. Coon of National Fuel Gas, 716-857-7925

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#90340p0734 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARMONK, N.Y. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - MBIA Inc. (NYSE: MBI) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.14 per share on its common stock. The

dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 20, 1990.

MBIA Inc., through its wholly owned subsidiary, MBIA Corporation, is a leading insurer of municipal bonds, including new issues and bonds traded in the secondary market. MBIA is rated triple-A by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and Standard & Poor's Corporation and municipal bonds insured by MBIA receive these ratings.

CONTACT: Michael C. Ballinger of MBIA, 914-765-3893

-30- 762

#90340p0735 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELMHURST, IL (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Craig J. Duchossois, chairman of Thrall Car Manufacturing Company, today named John E. Carroll Jr. president of Thrall Car Manufacturing Company, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Before joining Thrall in August 1990 as executive vice president, Carroll spent the majority of his career in the transportation industry and was president of Gunderson Marine and Rail Equipment, a division of FMC, from 1977 to 1985.

A former captain in the Transportation Corps of the United States Army, Carroll held several senior management positions with FMC, including general manager of the airline equipment division.

Thrall Car manufactures railway and freight cars with plants in Illinois and Georgia.

-0- 12/6/90 /CONTACT: Michael Myers of Lesnik Public Relations, 708-291-1080, for Thrall Car/ CO: Thrall Car Manufacturing Company ST: Illinois, Georgia IN: TRN SU: PER

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#90340p0736 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BELLEVUE, WASH (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Special Committee of the board of directors of U S WEST NewVector Group Inc. (NASDAQ: USWNA) today announced it has selected a law firm and investment banker to assist in the review of a proposal from U S WEST (NYSE: USW) to acquire the 19 percent of NewVector currently not owned by U S WEST.

The Special Committee selected Sullivan & Cromwell to serve as its counsel. Lazard Freres & Co. was selected to serve as the committee's investment banker.

On Sunday, Nov. 11, U S WEST proposed a transaction in which it would acquire the outstanding NewVector stock in a stock-for-stock, tax-free merger. Upon consummation of the proposed merger, each of the approximately 9.7 million

shares of Class A common stock of NewVector not owned by U S WEST would be exchanged for 0.95 shares of U S WEST common stock.

U S WEST NewVector Group Inc., headquartered in Bellevue, Wash., has operations in 16 midwestern, western and southwestern states. The company operates 28 Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) cellular systems and 14 Rural Service Areas (RSA) under the brand name of U S WEST Cellular. NewVector offers U S WEST Paging service in 58 markets. NewVector is a majority-owned subsidiary of U S WEST Inc., a diversified corporation based in Englewood, Colo.

CONTACT: Tom Friedberg of U S WEST NewVector Group Inc., 206-644-3952

-30- 1568

#90340p0738 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The executive committee of ULLICO, Inc., the Washington-based holding company for The Union Labor Life Insurance Company and a number of other insurance, investment and, employee benefit-oriented companies, has elected Robert A. Georgine, president of the Building and Construction Trades Department of the AFL-CIO, as chairman and chief executive officer.

Georgine's election to the newly created position of chairman and CEO comes in the wake of the death Nov. 25 of ULLICO President and CEO Daniel E. O'Sullivan. James W. Luce, ULLICO's executive vice president, will serve as chief operating officer. No action was taken to fill the vacant position of president.

"ULLICO has a long tradition of leadership when it comes to providing benefits to America's workers," Georgine said in accepting the position. "I look forward to helping to continue that tradition.

"Before his death Daniel O'Sullivan put in place an outstanding management team" Georgine said. "I anticipate no major changes in direction or leadership."

Georgine has been president of the AFL-CIO's Building and Construction Trades Department since 1974. He will retain that position. He has been a member of the ULLICO board of directors and executive committee since 1981.

In addition to his labor activities, Georgine has been active in a wide range of civic, government, public interest and industry activities. He was a member of the board of directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond from 1982 to 1988 and served as chair in 1988. He currently serves as chairman of the National Coordinating Committee for Multiemployer Plans.

Tracing its roots back to 1927 and the founding of Union Labor Life, ULLICO

Inc. is a closely held corporation whose stock is owned by local and national labor organizations. With $2 billion in assets, the company ranks among the nation's largest insurance companies.

In recent years, it has diversified into the property and casualty insurance, pension fund investment and benefit services areas with the incorporation of a number of new subsidiaries, including Ulico Casualty Company, Trust Fund Advisors, Inc., and Zenith Administrators, Inc. The company's board of directors includes a number of the nation's most prominent labor leaders, as well as public representatives.

CONTACT: Doyle Niemann of ULLICO Inc., (202) 682-4907.

-30- 2591

#90340p0740 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARUBA, DUTCH CARIBBEAN, (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Divi Hotels N.V. (AMEX: DVH) today announced a loss for the first quarter ended July 31, 1990, of $10,228,000 or $1.79 per share, compared with a loss for the same period in the prior year of $7,223,000 or $1.31 per share.

For the quarter ended July 31, Divi reported revenues of $16,622,000, a decrease of 27 percent from the $22,675,000 reported in the comparable period last year. Hotel room, food and beverage revenues were adversely affected by the company's sale of its two Aruban hotels in September 1989, the damage caused by Hurricane Hugo in St. Croix and a general industry slowdown throughout the Caribbean. Casino revenues decreased $519,000 or 24 percent compared with the first quarter of fiscal 1990 due principally to the discontinuation of casino operations in St. Maarten. Timesharing revenues decreased $374,000 or 12 percent compared with the quarter ended July 31, 1989 due primarily to delays in construction of planned projects, increased competition in Aruba and decreased hotel occupancy.

Per share data is based on 5,729,182 weighted average number of common shares outstanding on July 31, 1990, compared with 5,509,785 weighted average number of common shares outstanding on July 31, 1989.

CONTACT: Kevin E. Roberts, chief financial officer, or William L. Reed, secretary/treasurer, both of Divi Hotels Marketing, 607-277-3484

-30- 1577

#90340p0741 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Long Distance Corp. (NASDAQ: USLD) today reported sharply higher revenues and a narrowing loss for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990. For the year, revenues more than doubled to $19,345,000 from $8,662,000 in the prior year. The loss from continuing operations was $543,000, or 3 cents per share, a significant improvement from last year's

loss of $1,485,000, or 12 cents per share. After a provision of $77,000 for preferred stock requirements, the net loss applicable to common stock for the recent year was $620,000 or 3 cents per share. The previous year's net loss of $744,000, or 6 cents per share, had benefited from the sale of a discontinued operation amounting to $741,000.

For the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues rose 125 percent to $6,600,000 from $2,900,000 in the same quarter a year ago. Net income for the quarter grew to $377,000, or 2 cents per share, versus the net loss of $388,000, or 3 cents per share, in the same quarter of 1989. This represents a positive swing of $765,000.

In August, the company estimated revenues for the fourth quarter would be $6.2 million and would approach $19 million for the year. Management anticipated the net loss for the year would be $700,000. Actual results were better than these estimates.

"It is believed the company has solidly turned the corner on profitability with its past two quarters reporting strong gains. The year-end loss reflects the investment into capital expenditures incurred in the first half of fiscal 1990 needed to support future growth," reported Parris H. Holmes Jr., chairman and chief executive officer.

"The surge in corporate revenues came as a result of a doubling of revenues from the operator services segment and a revenue increase of 170 percent in billing services," he said.

U.S. Long Distance Corp.'s primary business is providing long distance telephone service to the hospitality and pay telephone industries. The company also provides billing and collection services to interexchange carriers.

CONTACT: Robin Magers of Dublin-McCarter & Associates, 512-227-0221, for U.S. Long Distance; or Mark Buckner of U.S. Long Distance, 512-525-9009

-30- 2408

#90340p0743 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - A Daily News driver and his helper were attacked by a gang of 12-15 men at 4:45 a.m. today in Irvington, N.J., the Daily News said. While in the course of driving their normal delivery route, the two victims were dragged from their truck, beaten with baseball bats and bottles, and the driver, Carlos V. Chacon, was stabbed with a knife, twice in the abdomen and once in the buttocks. The stabbed and bleeding Chacon was left on the street, but his injured helper, Derrick Foster, was able to summon help. Chacon is listed in critical condition at Beth Israel Hospital in Newark and is to undergo surgery today.

The assailants stole the News truck, but abandoned it several blocks from the scene of the incident, which occurred at Spruce and Lake Streets in Irvington. This area is about two miles west of Newark Airport.

Daily News Publisher James Hoge announced this morning that a $100,000 reward is being offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the persons responsible for this incident.

At least two other assaults were made on News delivery trucks and personnel this morning in New Jersey, and a truck was bombed in Brooklyn. Details of these incidents will follow later today.

CONTACT: John Sloan of the Daily News, 212-210-6349

-30- 1494

#90340p0751 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Sunshine Mining Co. (NYSE: SSC) announced today that it has entered into an agreement with Sonat Exploration Co., a Sonat Inc. subsidiary, to sell substantially all of Sunshine's oil and gas reserves in the United States for $150 million. Additionally, Sunshine will share in natural gas price increases over the next three years through a deferred sales price of up to an additional $15 million, to be paid if natural gas prices exceed certain specified levels. The transaction, which is subject to approval by the Board of Directors of both companies, is expected to close in January, 1991. After the transaction, Sunshine will retain its oil and gas interests in Canada (including approximately 60 Bcf of natural gas equivalent reserves) as well as certain exploratory prospects along the Gulf Coast of the United States.

CONTACT: Harry B. Ireland of Sunshine Mining Co., 214-855-8790

-30- 1108

#90340p0753 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARSIPPANY, N.J. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Philip R. Clark, of Mountain Lakes, N.J., president and chief executive officer of GPU Nuclear Corp., has been elected a Fellow of the American Nuclear Society (ANS).

The ANS is a society of 16,000 nuclear science and engineering professionals worldwide. The Fellow designation is the highest grade to which an ANS member may be elected by his or her peers. ANS Fellows have made significant contributions to the advancement of one or more of the disciplines served by the society.

Clark was nominated through the efforts of the Northern New Jersey Section of the ANS, of which he is a member, and his primary sponsor, Edwin E. Kinter, of Boonton, N.J., retired executive vice president of GPU Nuclear.

Clark was awarded ANS Fellow status, "For his leadership in the successful recovery from the TMI-2 (Three Mile Island Unit 2) accident, restart and outstanding performance of TMI-1 (Three Mile Island Unit 1), and clean up and defueling of the damaged TMI-2 core; and for his dedicated and original contributions to the development, design, construction and operation of naval nuclear power plants."

The honor was presented at the ANS Winter Meeting in mid-November in Washington.

Clark, a 35-year veteran in the field of nuclear power, has been president of GPU Nuclear Corp. since 1983. GPU Nuclear is a wholly owned subsidiary of General Public Utilities Corp. (NYSE: GPU). It operates the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station, in Forked River, N.J.; Three Mile Island Unit 1, in Middletown, Pa., and is responsible for the cleanup of the damaged Unit 2 reactor at Three Mile Island.

Clark is a director of the Nuclear Utility Management and Resources Council (NUMARC), which represents the utility industry in generic nuclear regulatory matters, and a member of the NUMARC Executive Committee. He is also a director of the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations (INPO), a non-profit organization of U.S. utilities devoted to excellence in commercial nuclear power.

In addition, he is a member of the Edison Electric Institute's Policy Committee on Energy Resources and the Power Generation Committee of the Association of Edison Illuminating Companies.

CONTACT: Adele Aboutok of GPU Nuclear, 201-316-7702

-30- 2464

#90340p0757 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6,) PR NEWSWIRE - Marriott Corporation (NYSE: MHS) today announced that its board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 7 cents per common share. The dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 28, 1990.

CONTACT: Nick Hill, Corporate Relations Department, Marriott, 301-380-7484

-30- 505

#90340p0760 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, N.J. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - In a presentation before the New York Society of Security Analysts (NYSSA) today, Cytogen Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTO) announced it had observed measurable anti-tumor effects in the majority of patients who received the highest administered dose of OncoRad(R), the

company's tumor targeted radioisotopic cancer therapy agent.

Phase I clinical trials of the monoclonal antibody-based product were designed to determine the maximum tolerated dose of the targeted cytotoxic radioisotope yttrium-90, that could be safely administered to cancer patients. The studies demonstrated the agent was well tolerated over a range of doses from 1 millicurie (mCi) to 15 mCi of yttrium. The dose limiting toxicity was a decrease in the blood platelet count. At the 15 mCi dose, over 50 percent of patients showed an anti-tumor response as evidenced by a significant decline in the levels of CEA -- a serum tumor marker which serves as one objective measure of a patient's tumor burden.

Cytogen announced that in 1991 it would be pursuing Phase II clinical trials in ovarian and colorectal cancer in patients with minimal residual disease, as well as initiating clinical trials with a therapeutic agent for prostate cancer.

Thomas J. McKearn, M.D., Ph.D., executive vice president, said that while Phase I studies generally evaluate the safety of a product, "the company was very encouraged by the tumor responses noted during these studies, which were performed in patients who had failed all prior therapies."

"The goal of our Phase II studies," he continued, "is to demonstrate a consistent therapeutic effect in patients who are less advanced in the course of their disease."

Cytogen updated the NYSSA on its progress in cancer imaging. The company currently has six imaging products in clinical development. Two of these, OncoScint(R) colorectal and OncoScint ovarian, are currently under final marketing review at the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). OncoScint prostate has successfully completed Phase I human clinical trials and is currently in Phase II studies. Three other products for lung, breast and colorectal cancers have recently been authorized by the FDA to begin human clinical evaluation.

Most impressive were results presented on the company's repeat administration trials with OncoScint CR103. In these studies, patients were imaged at approximately six month intervals following initial surgery. The OncoScint product detected early recurrent colorectal cancer in about one-third of these patients -- often at a time when other diagnostic imaging modalities were still negative.

In addition to its monoclonal antibody-based cancer imaging and therapy programs, Cytogen described new programs in the areas of cardiovascular and autoimmune diseases. Based upon progress in its molecular recognition unit (MRU) program, the company said it would be filing an Investigational New Drug (IND) application in December for ThromboScan(R), an MRU-based blood clot (thrombus) imaging agent. The company also said it would be initiating a new

development program for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis. These new entities addressed by MRU technology represent a total potential market of over $3 billion.

George Ebright, chairman and chief executive officer, reviewed the company's financial expectations for 1990 and objectives for 1991. The company said it expects to lose approximately $17.3 million in 1990 ($1.36 per share), and will end the year with approximately $39 million in cash. Objectives for 1991 include European product approval for OncoScint colorectal, multicenter Phase II clinical evaluation of the OncoRad cancer therapy products and initiation of clinical cardiovascular imaging trials of ThromboScan.

"It's going to be another year of milestones," concluded Ebright. "We are moving from the research product development stage into product commercialization and within a very short period of time, we will be selling our products in Europe and the U.S. Our long-term goal is to become financially self-sufficient and provide long-term, meaningful return to our stockholders."

Cytogen Corp. is a biopharmaceutical company which has developed proprietary systems for linking drugs and diagnostic agents to monoclonal antibodies in order to optimize the function of the antibody as a delivery vehicle. With major emphasis on human cancer, current product development efforts at Cytogen are focused on improved cancer diagnostic imaging agents and the targeted delivery of cancer therapeutic agents directly to tumor sites.

CONTACT: Cheryl Shipley Coyle of Cytogen, 609-987-8221

-30- 4909

#90340p0762 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOWELL, MASS. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Courier Corporation (NASDAQ: CRRC) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per share payable Jan. 18, 1991 to stockholders of record as of Jan. 2, 1991. The amount of the dividend is the same as that declared in the previous quarter.

The NASDAQ symbol for Courier Corporation is CRRC.

CONTACT: James F. Conway Jr., chairman, or Robert P. Story Jr., senior vice president and chief financial officer, 508-458-6351, of Courier Corporation

-30- 658

#90340p0765 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Mark M. David, chairman of Sanmark-Stardust Inc. (AMEX: SMK) today announced that the company's board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to one million shares of Sanmark-Stardust common stock in open market transactions. No specific time frame or maximum

price has been set for the repurchases of stock. The company does intend to make such transactions from time to time depending on market conditions.

Also, at Sanmark-Stardust's annual meeting held earlier today, shareholders re-elected the company's current board of directors, ratified the selection of Deloitte & Touche as auditors, and approved an amendment to increase the authorized capital stock from 20,000,000 shares to 30,000,000 shares, $.01 par value.

Sanmark-Stardust Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and sells an extensive line of ladies sleepwear, robes, leisurewear, loungewear, panties and daywear; men's work and leisure shirts; children's clothing; and also operates 27 retail outlet stores.

CONTACT: Saul Pomerantz, 212-679-7260 of Sanmark-Stardust Inc.; or Barry A. Rothman of Profile Communications, Inc., 305-742-2086, for Sanmark-Stardust Inc.

-30- 1352

#90340p0766 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announces a change in the posted prices it will pay for crude oil from California and Alaska fields. Postings are decreased by $2.00/bbl.

The change was effective today Thursday, Dec. 6, at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

for 35 API -- Cook Inlet -- $24.30 26 API -- Buena Vista -- $22.65
19 API -- Huntington Beach -- $20.55 13 API -- Kern River -- $18.00
27 API -- Long Beach -- $23.25 13 API -- Midway Sunset -- $18.00
17 API -- Wilmington -- $19.85
The gravity adjustment scale is as follows:
Above 40.0 deg. -- $0.000 per tenth degree API
34.0 to 40.0 -- $0.010 per tenth degree API
20.0 to 34.0 -- $0.035 per tenth degree API
Below 20.0 -- $0.035 per tenth degree API

New prices for all fields are reflected in Chevron's California and Alaska Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-CA41. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Bonnie Chaikind of Chevron, 415-894-1200

-30- 1203

#90340p0768 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDISON, N.J. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Midlantic Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MIDL),

which has a well-established record within the banking industry for expense and staffing control, has announced a series of actions to intensify its program to reduce operating costs. Annual expense savings from this program are anticipated to be in excess of $25 million.

In a memorandum to all staff members, Midlantic Corporation Chairman Robert Van Buren stated, "Midlantic is committed to maintaining its position as a premier company in the banking industry and to providing the highest level of customer service. We have strengthened our balance sheet and the following actions are being taken to control expenses in order to ensure that Midlantic Corporation is an efficient, effective and profitable provider of financial services."

First, the corporation has initiated a hiring freeze on all new positions. In addition, any vacancies that do not directly affect customer service will require special approval before the position can be filled.

Second, several actions regarding compensation have been implemented. There will be no cash bonus payments for calendar year 1990; an exception to this policy will be special sales incentive programs. As was previously announced, there will be no profit sharing distribution under the Midlantic profit sharing plan.

Finally, managers will be required to reduce expenses while ensuring that the corporation continues to provide quality customer service.

In announcing these measures, Van Buren stated, "The banking industry is confronting one of the most difficult operating environments in decades. Furthermore, our regional economy has experienced a downturn in activity and real estate values have declined significantly. Midlantic Corporation is taking these prudent actions to better position the company during this extraordinarily challenging period."

Midlantic Corporation is an interstate bank holding company headquartered in Edison. The corporation, with assets of approximately $24 billion, operates 512 offices primarily in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and New York.

CONTACT: Dorothy Hinchcliff, 201-321-8289, or Donald W. Ebbert Jr. (investors), 201-321-8139, both of Midlantic

-30- 2423

#90340p0770 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARMONK, N.Y. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Victoria A. Randle has joined the corporate communications division of Municipal Bond Investors Assurance Corporation (NYSE: MBI), it was announced today by Paul C. O'Shea, senior vice president. MBIA Corporation is a leading insurer of municipal bonds.

The new senior public relations associate brings nearly nine years of public relations experience in the financial services industry. Prior to joining MBIA she was assistant vice president/director of corporate communications and advertising at Dollar Dry Dock Bank, and a public relations officer with the Chase Manhattan Bank.

In 1989 Randle was awarded a Silver Anvil Certificate of Commendation from the Public Relations Society of America, and a first place Clarion Award from the Westchester Chapter of Women In Communications, Inc. for the design and implementation of Dollar Dry Dock's employee communications program.

As senior public relations associate with MBIA, Randle has responsibility for launching a new external magazine, and producing marketing communications for the research and business development division.

A resident of South Salem, N.Y., she is a vice president and director of Women In Communications, Westchester Chapter. Randle is also a member of the board of directors of the Youth Counseling League.

CONTACT: Debra A. Descloux of MBIA, 914-765-3895

-30- 1568

#90340p0772 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS, MO (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Y&A Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: YGRP) announced today that it has entered into a preliminary agreement to sell its wholly owned financial services and marketing subsidiary, Y&A Concepts, Inc. to TRI Corporation, a privately owned holding company, based in New York. Y&A Group indicated that the value of the sale is estimated to be $1.8 million and should be completed prior to December 31, 1990.

Malcolm Cheek, President, Y&A Group, Inc., stated, "The sale of Y&A Concepts will provide Y&A Group with added capital to supplement the growth within our core engineering business as well as enabling management to center its attention on the opportunities currently available within the electric utility engineering markets."

TRI Corporation will maintain the principal office location of Y&A Concepts in St. Louis with an additional office in New York. Denise S. Behringer, current President of Y&A Concepts, will remain in that capacity under the new ownership.

Y&A Group, Inc. through its principal operating subsididaries provides professional engineering services in essentially all disciplines related to the electric utility industry, as well as segments of the residential, industrial and commercial industries. Y&A maintains offices in Missouri, Florida, North Carolina, Alaska and Wisconsin, as well as international offices in Thailand and Malaysia.

CONTACT: Malcolm Cheek, president and chief executive officer of Y&A Group, Inc., 314-993-1650

-30- 1660

#90340p0773 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited (NASDAQ: AEAGF) today announced that the board of directors has declared a dividend (No. 11) of US$0.075 per share payable May 7, 1991, to shareholders of record April 2, 1991.

CONTACT: Sean Boyd of Agnico-Eagle Mines, 416-947-1212

-30- 452

#90340p0777 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLEASANTVILLE, NJ (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Atlantic Energy Inc. (NYSE: ATE) today declared the regular quarterly dividend on its common stock of $.74 per share, payable Jan. 15, 1991, to all holders of record on Dec. 17, 1990.

The dividend rate is equivalent to $2.96 per share on an annual basis. The board of directors of Atlantic City Electric Co., the electric utility subsidiary of Atlantic Energy Inc., declared regular quarterly dividends on all series of its preferred stock, payable Feb. 1, 1991, to all holders of record on Jan. 4.

This information is not given in connection with any sale, offer for sale or a solicitation of an offer to buy any securities.

CONTACT: Lois F. Jennings, 609-645-4247, or evenings, 609-794-3141, or Robert K. Marshall, 609-645-4655, or evenings, 609-653-4421, both of Atlantic Energy

-30- 1042

#90340p0779 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Cyprus Minerals Co. (NYSE: CYM) announced that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend at its board meeting Thursday in Denver.

The dividend of 20 cents per share is to be paid on Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of Cyprus common stock of record on Jan. 11, 1991, and a dividend of $0.9375 per share is to be paid on Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of Cyprus $3.75 Convertible Exchangeable Preferred Stock, Series B, of record on Jan. 11 1991.

Cyprus Minerals, headquartered in Englewood, Colo., is a major producer of

copper, molybdenum, lithium, coal, and talc.

CONTACT: Richard H. Hagman of Cyprus Minerals Co., (303) 643-5362.

-30- 870

#90340p0780 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Contel Corp. (NYSE: CTC) today announced that Telos Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of its Federal Systems Sector, has been awarded a contract worth $78.8 million to provide systems and software engineering support to the U.S. Army's communications, command and control systems at Fort Monmouth, N.J.

The one-year contract with four one-year options was awarded by the Army's Communications Electronics Command (CECOM). Telos has been supporting CECOM since 1983 under two previous contracts. This latest contract supports the CECOM Center for Software Engineering in such areas as Command and Control Systems, Advanced Software Technology and the Army Interoperability Network.

Telos Corp., founded in 1969, is a diversified provider of software and computer-related hardware services to both government and commercial customers. Telos became a wholly owned subsidiary of Contel Federal Systems last February and is independently operated.

Contel Corp., a company with more than $3 billion in annual revenues and sales provides a broad range of telecommunications products and services.

CONTACT: Bob Bishop of Contel Federal Systems, 703-818-5474, or Mary Burritt of Contel, 404-391-8025

-30- 1419

#90340p0786 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - I.M.S.A. Rising Star Beaver Theodosakis has signed a sponsorship agreement with Ralston Purina's "Dog Chow" brand dog food for his campaign in the 1991 Firestone Firehawk Endurance Championship Series.

Theodosakis' "Dog Chow" Z-28 Camaro will be the lead car in the championship-winning Mecum Racing Chevrolet Grand Sports Class stable.

"Look for this new relationship to affect every aspect of our racing program," says Theodosakis. Graphics on the team semi-trailer, race car and driver and crew uniforms will carry the familiar green, yellow and red color scheme and logo of the Dog Chow bags.

Team Owner Ed Mecum Sr. is all smiles. "I'm flat-out impressed with the people from Ralston; they're true professionals."

"Dog Chow has been the No. 1 brand since 1957 and we believe this racing program will help to stretch out our lead ever-further," a Dog Chow spokesperson said.

The 1991 program will revolve around the 10-event racing series and will feature special grocery store visits (Purina Pit Stops), racing paraphernalia and race site entertainment.

The "Beav" says he is ecstatic, "Working with the Ralston Purina company is truly a dream come true. Our goal in '91 is to show Ralston the marketing potential of a winning race team."

Expect the Purina "Dog Chow" Team to make its debut at the March 1 I.M.S.A. event in West Palm Beach, Fla.

Theodosakis' co-driver has yet to be selected.

CONTACT: Beaver Theodosakis, 619-431-8015, or 619-598-2422 (fax)

-30- 1718

#90340p0788 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB Texas National Bank, as trustee of Sabine Royalty Trust (NYSE: SBR), today announced a cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of $0.16483 per unit.

The distribution is payable December 31, 1990 to unit holders of record on December 17, 1990.

CONTACT: Ron E. Hooper of NCNB National Bank, (214) 508-2400.

-30- 550

#90340p0789 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - AMAX Inc. (NYSE: AMX) announced that its board of directors today declared a quarterly dividend of 20 cents per common share, unchanged from the previous quarter. The dividend is payable March 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Feb. 11, 1991.

The directors also approved payment of the regular quarterly dividend of 75 cents per share on the Series B convertible preferred, payable June 1, 1991, to shareholders of record May 10, 1991.

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MARKHAM, ONTARIO (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Magna International Inc. (TSE: MG.A MG.B; NASDAQ: MAGAF) today announced results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991. Consolidated sales for the first quarter were $444.5 million, a 3.3 percent decrease as compared to the sales achieved in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. North American vehicle production volume was comparable at 3.2 million units for the two quarters. Pretax income from operations for the quarter was $10.5 million as compared to a loss of $15.9 million for the comparable period last year. Earnings per share was $0.10 per share as compared to a loss per share of $0.36 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

MAGNA INTERNATIONAL INC.
(Unaudited,000's except per share figures)

Three months ended Oct. 31:	1990	1989
Sales	$444,539	$459,733
Operating income	$10,529	$(15,947)
Net income (loss)	$2,785	$(9,906)
Earnings (loss) per share	$0.10	$(0.36)
Average shares outstanding (thousands)	27,819	27,819

The results of the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were positively effected by the rationalization and restructuring programs previously announced by the company.

First quarter sales of fiscal 1990 include sales of approximately $68 million relating to divisions that were sold, joint ventured or closed as part of the program. Sales from remaining divisions increased $53 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 as compared to fiscal 1990 reflecting the positive effect of several new production programs relating to a number of the company's newer divisions.

Increased capacity utilization, combined with the benefits achieved through the company's cost reduction program and the elimination of a number of losing divisions is reflected in the gross margin percentage increase of 3.9 percent to 21.3 percent. Further gross margin improvement should be achieved as the company continues its rationalization program. Depreciation expense decreased approximately $4.7 million reflecting the affects of the asset sales achieved as a part of the company debt reduction program.

Selling, general and administrative expense decreased $9.2 million or 1.7 percent as a percentage of sales during the first quarter of fiscal 1991 over the comparable period of fiscal 1990 reflecting the elimination in these expenses related to the divisions sold, joint ventured or closed and the positive effect of the rationalization program.

Total capital spending for the quarter was $8.3 million. The company has put in place tight spending controls and is optimistic that total 1991 capital spending will come under the budgeted amount of $47 million.

During the quarter the company generated $77 million of cash through asset sales. Transactions closed during the quarter included the sale of the company's electrical motor sub group. Subsequent to the quarter end to Dec. 5 1990, additional asset sale transactions in total generated an additional $80 million of cash. The company is pleased to announce the completion on Dec. 5, 1990 of the strategic investment by Ford Motor Company in the company's plastics operation in Guelph, Ontario and its tool and die operation in Concord, Ontario. The company looks forward to its ongoing participation with Ford in these operations. To date, the company has generated approximately $213 million of cash through asset sales as part of the restructuring plan. This represents approximately 50 percent of the company's target.

The company also announced that the March 1, 1991 dividend on its Class A and Class B shares has been suspended.

Debt Restructuring Highlights The following table presents the debt reduction achieved by the company from its peak in January 1990 to Dec. 5, 1990:

	($ millions)
Debt outstanding Jan. 31, 1990	$1,119
Asset sales and net cash from operations	193
Debt (net of cash) outstanding Oct. 31, 1990	926
Asset sales and net cash from operations from Nov. 1, 1990 to Dec. 5, 1990	80
Debt (net of cash) outstanding Dec. 5, 1990	$846

Management is committed to further debt reduction. Negotiations for further asset sales and joint ventures are presently under way and management is very optimistic that through asset sales, joint venturing activities and cash generated from operations, the company can generate a further $250 million by July 31, 1991 which will reduce the company's debt to approximately $600 million.

Management will curtail expansion to a minimum until a long term debt to equity ratio of 0.5:1 is achieved. Management believes this ratio can be achieved by July, 1992.

Stringent disciplines are in place to reduce overhead and curtail capital spending and management is committed to further asset sales. Management hopes these efforts and commitments are recognized by all interested parties, including lenders, employees, customers, suppliers and shareholders. Management is hopeful that within the next few months a formal debt restructuring plan will be finalized which will ensure that the interests of all affected parties are protected and dealt with fairly. This approach will ensure that Magna remains a viable company and that all outstanding obligations can be paid in full.

Outlook While the automotive market is presently down and though we feel it

will decrease further, management still feels that reasonable profits can be generated during the upcoming year based on a solid backlog of orders, car lines which are selling well, improved efficiencies, streamlined operations and a total focus on Magna's core business, the production of automotive components.

MAGNA INTERNATIONAL INC.
(Consolidated, unaudited)
(Canadian dollars in thousands, except per share figures)

Three months ended Oct. 31:	1990	1989
Sales	$444,539	$459,733
Cost of goods sold	349,783	379,855
Depreciation and amortization	21,811	26,484
SG&A expenses	39,057	48,286
Interest	20,067	21,720
Equity loss (income)	3,292	(665)
Income (loss) before the following	10,529	(15,947)
Income taxes	7,975	(5,300)
Minority interest	(231)	(741)
Net income (loss) for the period	$ 2,785	$ (9,906)
Earnings (loss) per share: Basic and Fully diluted-Class A Subordinate Voting share or Class B share	$ 0.10	$ (0.36)
Cash dividends paid per Class A Subordinate Voting share or Class B share	0	$ 0.12
Average number of Class A Subordinate Voting shares and Class B shares outstanding during the period (in thousands)	27,819	27,819

Statements of cash flows
(Consolidated unaudited)
(Canadian dollars in thousands, except per share figures)

Three months ended Oct. 31:	1990	1989
Cash provided from (used for):		
Operating activities -		
Net income (loss)	$ 2,785	$ (9,906)
Items not involving current cash flows	29,318	18,471
Changes in non-cash working capital	(79,431)	(68,005)
Total operating activities	(47,328)	(59,440)
Investment activities -		
Fixed asset additions	(3,274)	(46,462)
Increase in investments and other	(5,041)	(10,306)
Increase in net assets to be sold	(7,141)	--
Proceeds from disposition of net assets to be sold	77,490	--
Proceeds from disposition of fixed assets	--	403
Total investment activities	62,034	(56,365)
Financing activities		

Net change in debt	(20,342)	122,340
Dividends paid to (net of capital contribution by) minority interests	(10,784)	(3,197)
Dividends	--	(3,338)
Total financing activities	(31,126)	115,805
Net decrease in cash during the period	(16,420)	0
Cash, beginning of period	99,970	0
Cash, end of period	$ 83,550	$ 0

Balance sheets

(Consolidated, unaudited, in thousands of Canadian dollars)

	10/31/90	7/31/90 Assets
Current assets:		
Cash	$ 83,550	$ 99,970
Accounts receivable	257,817	193,711
Inventories	172,844	168,899
Prepaid expenses	10,131	14,443
Net assets to be sold	226,833	297,182
Total current assets	751,175	774,205
Investments	146,319	145,797
Fixed assets (net)	764,178	781,284
Goodwill	12,035	12,409
Other assets	44,848	41,199
Total assets	$1,718,555	$1,754,894
Liabilities and shareholders' equity		
Debt to be restructured and other current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and other accruals	$274,441	$ 290,513
Debt to be restructured	1,009,337	1,029,969
Total	1,283,778	1,320,482
Deferred gains and financing obligations	12,545	12,743
Deferred income taxes	77,217	69,276
Minority interest	110,727	121,280
Shareholders' equity: Capital stock		
Class A Subordinate Voting shares (issued: 26,525,210)	289,977	289,977
Class B shares (issued: 1,294,209)	1,511	1,511
Deficit	(48,758)	(51,543)
Currency translation adjustment	(8,442)	(8,832)
Total	234,288	231,113
Total liabs. & shareholders' equity	$1,718,555	$1,754,894

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SANTA ANA, CA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Metropolitan Circuits of California, a

subsidiary of Metropolitan Circuits Inc., (AMEX: MPB), has received preliminary approval from the Federal Bankruptcy Court to utilize its cash for ongoing operations, it was announced today by Richard J. Sandberg, chief executive officer.

Judge James Barr of the United States Bankruptcy Court of the Central District of California made the ruling at a preliminary hearing yesterday. A final hearing is scheduled for Dec. 21, 1990.

The printed circuit board company, which filed for reorganization on Nov. 9, 1990, is attempting to work with major creditors to ensure the continuity of business operations and to provide working capital.

Metropolitan Circuits of California designs, manufactures, and markets sophisticated printed circuit boards. Its parent, Metropolitan Circuits Inc., has approximately 1,500 shareholders and 2.5 million shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Richard J. Sandberg or Kenneth C. Cleveland of Metropolitan Circuits Inc., (714) 549-2204, or Cecilia A. Wilkinson, Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, (213) 207-9300, for Metropolitan Circuits Inc.

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#90340p0793 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Universal Corporation (NYSE: UVV) at a meeting held today, took the following actions:

Declared that the regular semi-annual dividend of four percent ($4.00 per share) on the preferred stock of the company be made payable February 1, 1991 to preferred stockholders of record at the close of business on January 2, 1991.

Declared that a regular quarterly dividend of thirty-eight cents ($.38) per share on the common stock of the company be made payable February 1, 1991 to common stockholders of record at the close of business on January 2, 1991. (Increased from $.37 per share.)

Authorized during the calendar year 1991 the purchase from time to time of up to 500,000 shares of common stock of the corporation.

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#90340p0801 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Seagull Energy Corp. (NYSE: SGO) announced today that it has executed a definitive agreement implementing its previously

announced plans to acquire a portfolio of natural gas and oil producing properties, reserves and leasehold acreage from Mesa Limited Partnership (NYSE: MLP).

In negotiating the definitive agreement, the two companies revised somewhat the properties involved and certain terms stipulated in a letter of intent finalized on Oct. 9, 1990. Completion of the transaction remains subject to customary regulatory clearances and to Seagull arranging acceptable financing by Dec. 14, 1990.

Under the definitive agreement, Seagull will acquire proved reserves of 315.7 billion cubic feet (bcf) of natural gas and 8.1 million barrels of crude oil, condensate and natural gas liquids, as measured by independent engineers as of January 1, 1990, plus 253,450 net producing and 133,190 net undeveloped leasehold acres.

The definitive agreement calls for Seagull to pay a cash price of $351.25 million, and assume approximately $9 million in liabilities, primarily associated with gas contract imbalances.

The economic effective date has been moved from Dec. 1, 1990, to Nov. 1, 1990. The two companies now expect the transaction to be completed in early 1991.

The letter of intent had called for Seagull to pay $376 million in cash, plus assume approximately $50 million in similar liabilities, for reserves estimated to total 384 bcf of gas and 10.5 million barrels of crude oil, condensate and natural gas liquids as of Jan. 1, 1990. The earlier portfolio included 338,070 net producing and 140,000 net undeveloped acres.

A contingent payment clause, also revised from its original terms, provides for Mesa to receive an additional payment of no more than $37.5 million on April 1, 1994, determined generally by the extent to which the weighted average wellhead price of gas sold from the acquired properties in 1991 through 1993 exceeds $1.975 per thousand cubic feet.

"We are pleased with the progress we're making toward finalizing the acquisition, and anxious to assume management of the properties," said Seagull Chairman Barry J. Galt. "We also are making good progress in negotiating financing arrangements, which we expect to have completed in a matter of days.

"We are encouraged by the degree to which it has been recognized that these properties will greatly diversify our total reserve portfolio, give us significant reserve positions and exploratory prospects in geographic areas other than our historic Gulf Coast area of emphasis, and extend the average reserve life of our company's reserves," Galt noted.

CONTACT: Alan Payne of Seagull Energy Corp., (713) 951-4700.

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#90340p0806 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - American General Corp. (NYSE: AGC) announced today that its board of directors has reviewed and rejected the two proposals relating to the sale of its home service insurance subsidiaries received on Dec. 3, 1990, pursuant to its previously announced invitation for bids. Further, the board directed mangaement to end the sale process that was launched on May 2, 1990, authorized the resumption of its share repurchase program, and decided on a new indicated level of dividends on its common stock for 1991.

In commenting on the proposals, Harold S. Hook, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The higher proposal offered a total of $3.65 billion for the home service companies, of which $1.8 billion represented the assumption of corporate debt. Under this proposal, American General shareholders would have received about $15 per share in a combination of cash and securities of the acquiring company. The board concluded that this proposal fell short of the value of these operations.

The board of directors also authorized management to resume purchases under the company's stock repurchase program. Since the current program was initiated on April 1, 1987, more than 20 percent of the shares outstanding on that date have been purchased for an aggregate cost of approximately $1 billion. Purchases under that proram had been suspended since the May 1990 announcement of the sale process.

At the time of the announcement in May 1990 of the decision to offer the company for sale, a dividend rate of 80 cents per quarter was established, to provide shareholders an additional return while they waited for the process to be completed. Now that the sale process is concluded, the board announced its intention to set a new indicated annual common dividend rate of $2.00 per share for 1991, representing a 27 percent increase over the $1.58 annual rate in effect prior to the May announcement. The first quarter 1991 dividend is to be declared in February and paid to shareholders on March 1, 1991.

American General is a consumer financial services organization with assets of $34 billion. Headquartered in Houston, American General is one of the nation's leading providers of life insurance, tax-qualified retirement plans, and consumer loans. American General common stock is listed on the New York, Pacific, London, and Swiss stock exchanges.

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#90340p0807 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Motors Insurance Corporation (MIC) announced today executive and organizational changes effective Jan. 1, 1991, which are being made concurrent with its acquisition of NAVCO Corporation, an insurance subsidiary of Xerox Financial Services.

MIC, a wholly owned subsidiary of General Motors Acceptance Corporation (GMAC) is realigning its organizational structure to provide greater reliance on product team management in the development, pricing and marketing of its broad array of insurance coverages. The major executive changes are:

Larry D. Carr, chairman and chief executive officer of NAVCO Corporation, has been elected an executive vice president of MIC in charge of personal lines. He will also join the MIC Board of Directors and will serve on its executive committee.

The NAVCO subsidiary will report to Carr, who will continue as its chairman and chief executive officer, through Donald P. Redmond, NAVCO's president. Carr will also have responsibility for the auto and homeowner insurance coverages now written by MIC and its subsidiaries.

Vincent K. Quinn has been elected executive vice president with responsibility for administration and claims. He currently serves as vice president in charge of operations and claims.

Quinn's responsibilities will now include claims, MIC's field administration operations in the United States and Canada, and staff administration, including regulatory compliance, licensing, risk evaluation, systems development and training.

G. Sheldon Barquist, vice president in charge of marketing and development, has been promoted to group vice president in charge of product management with responsibility for mechanical, life and commercial insurance products, and for the company's reinsurance activities.

William B. Noll, vice president in charge of finance, has been named group vice president of finance. In addition to his present responsibilities for financial operations, Noll will also oversee the company's actuarial department. Carr, Quinn, Barquist and Noll will report to Joseph J. Pero, president of MIC.

Louis S. Carrio Jr. has been elected vice president in charge of life and mechanical lines and will report to Barquist. Carrio is currently the assistant manager of GMAC's sales department.

William M. Boechler, manager of field operations for the western portion of the United States and for Canada, has been elected vice president in charge of claims. He will report to Quinn.

CONTACT: Hilary R. Spittle of GMAC Financial Services, (313) 556-1056.

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#90340p0811 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today hosted 33 minority suppliers during the company's Procurement and Supply group's first mini-trade show.

The five-hour trade show of exhibits and product displays set up by suppliers was held in the company's Highland Park Styling Dome to encourage minority supplier relationships and increase the minority supplier content in Chrysler products.

"The trade show was another way our Special Supplier Program group could encourage dialogue between the company's minority suppliers and Chrysler buyers, engineers, platform representatives and certain major Chrysler suppliers about new business opportunities," said Thomas T. Stallkamp, vice president of Procurement and Supply. "We wanted to provide an opportunity for our minority suppliers to display their product capabilities and ultimately increase their business with Chrysler directly and on a second tier basis."

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#90340p0813 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

THOMASTON, GA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Thomaston Mills Inc. (NASDAQ: TMSTA TMSTB) met today and declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 11 cents per share for both Class A and Class B common stock.

The cash dividend is payable January 1, 1991, to shareholders of record December 17, 1990.

CONTACT: Neil H. Hightower, president and chief executive officer of Thomaston Mills, (404) 647-7131.

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#90340p0814 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) announced today that it has agreed to support a stockholder proposal from the State of Wisconsin Investment Board (SWIB) concerning the company's shareholder rights plan and that it has adopted a policy on confidential proxy voting.

The proposal concerning the rights plan, if approved by stockholders at the May 1991 annual meeting, would amend the plan to shorten its term from 1998 to

1995 unless continuation of the plan is approved by stockholders at the 1995 annual meeting, would approve the plan as so amended, and would establish a process for stockholders to approve any further extensions of the plan at three-year intervals. The initial period for stockholder approval for continuation of the plan coincides with the scheduled 1995 completion of Kmart's major store renewal program.

At the company's 1990 annual meeting, stockholders approved a SWIB proposal requesting that the rights plan be submitted to a stockholder vote. After careful consideration of such request, and after discussing with SWIB its desire to establish a process for periodic stockholder approval of the continuation of the rights plan (a so-called "sunset" provision) and the company's previously announced strategic business plan to relocate, expand and/or refurbish all domestic Kmart stores, the company has agreed to support SWIB's current proposal.

The company's policy on confidential proxy voting provides in general that stockholder proxies will be tabulated by an independent party and that how a stockholder voted will not be disclosed to the company prior to final tabulation of the vote at the stockholder meeting. Confidential voting has been the subject of stockholder proposals at the company's last two annual meetings.

Kmart Corporation serves America with more than 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,363 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse and The Sports Authority.

Kmart Corporation's stock is listed on the New York, Pacific, Midwest and Tokyo stock exchanges. Its trading symbol is KM.

CONTACT: Orren F. Knauer of Kmart Corporation, 313-643-1040.

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#90340p0815 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Keegan Management Company (NASDAQ: KMCI) today announced that it has entered into an agreement to sell 23 of its Nutri/System Weight Loss Centers to four purchasers.

The contemplated sale transactions are subject to certain conditions and include all of the company's centers in the states of Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska. The purchasers will pay approximately $1 million ($250,000 cash and the balance in notes) for the centers and the company anticipates recording a net loss from the sales of approximately $1.4 million or $.34 per share.

The sales are expected to be completed by mid December 1990. Revenues from the

centers included in the sale were approximately $12.7 million in 1989 and $8.5 million in the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Keegan Management Company currently owns and operates 44 Nutri/System Centers in seven states.

CONTACT: Robert G. Sharpe of Keegan Management Company, (408) 436-7467.

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#90340p0816 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA FALLS, TX (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Noel Pautsky, president of Oakridge Energy Inc. today announced that a special dividend of 15 cents ($0.15) per share is to be paid on the common stock of the corporation, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to holders of record at the close of business on Dec. 20, 1990.

Oakridge Energy Inc. is a Utah corporation based in Wichita Falls, primarily engaged in exploration, development, production and sale of oil and gas in Texas.

CONTACT: Noel Pautsky or Sandra Pautsky of Oakridge Energy, (817) 322-4772.

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#90340p0825 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Eaton Vance Corp. (NASDAQ: EAVN), a Boston-based investment management firm, reports earnings of $7,674,000 and earnings per share of $2.05 for the year ended Oct. 31, 1990. This compares with earnings of $7,324,000 and earnings per share of $1.97 for the year ended Oct. 31, 1989. Excluding the adverse effect of net realized and unrealized losses from investments in two gold mining partnerships of $1.04 per share in 1990 and 51 cents in 1989, earnings per share were $3.09 in 1990 and $2.48 in 1989.

For the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990, Eaton Vance reports earnings per share of 22 cents. Excluding net realized and unrealized losses on gold mining investments of 41 cents per share, earnings per share were 63 cents. In the comparable 1989 period earnings per share were 22 cents after a loss of 42 cents per share for net realized and unrealized losses on gold mining investments.

During the year, assets under the management of Eaton Vance increased from $7.1 billion to $7.3 billion.

EATON VANCE CORPORATION FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989
Net income	$807,000	$816,000

Average shares	3,686,000	3,738,000
Primary share earnings	22 cents	22 cents

	12 Months Ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989
Net income	$7,674,000	$7,324,000
Average shares	3,750,000	3,720,000
Primary share earnings	$2.05	$1.97

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#90340p0829 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TEXAS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Tracor Aerospace Inc., has received a contract totaling $2.4 million for the production of countermeasures systems equipment for an international customer.

George R. Melton, president of Tracor Aerospace, said the contract is for the manufacture and delivery of AN/ALE-45 electronic countermeasures dispenser systems and related parts. Tracor employees in Austin, Texas, will build the hardware, under the direction of James W. Ficklin, program manager.

Tracor Aerospace, a subsidiary of Tracor, is a leader in the development and production of advanced countermeasures products used on aircraft, ships, tanks and missiles to protect them against weapons threats.

Tracor, owned by privately held Westmark Systems Inc., is an international technological products and services company with headquarters in Austin. In addition to advanced countermeasures and advanced defense electronics systems, the company is a significant research and engineering services contractor in sonar, communications, and aviation and a major manufacturer of electrical components.

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#90340p0832 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Cyprus Minerals Co. (NYSE: CYM) board of directors announced today that Cyprus plans to adopt the tax accounting provisions of FASB 96 retroactive to Jan. 1, 1989. This will result in an increase of approximately $85 million to the previously reported 1989 tax provision and a restatement of 1989 earnings from $250 million to approximately $165 million. The charge principally results from the recognition of the tax effect of differences between the financial reporting and income tax basis of certain mining properties. While this accounting change has an impact for financial reporting purposes, it has no effect on

Cyprus' cash flow or actual tax payments.

In addition, the board of directors approved the write-down of certain assets which will reduce fourth quarter 1990 after-tax earnings by about $40 million. These charges include the write-down of Cyprus' Tonopah, Nevada, molybdenum mine and certain miscellaneous assets.

Management has decided to place the Tonopah mine on care and maintenance status in the first quarter of 1991 because of higher than anticipated costs due to ore grade problems, current low prices, and lower demand for molybdenum.

Cyprus Minerals, headquartered in Englewood, Colo., is a major producer of copper, coal, molybdenum, lithium, and talc. It also produces gold, iron ore, and zinc.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Giant Food Inc. (AMEX: GFS.A) announced today that some packages of certain varieties of Giant Food packaged breads with a Thursday, Friday or Saturday code may contain fine sand-like particles. Codes are identifiable on the plastic closure with "THU," "FRI," or "SAT."

These products have been withdrawn from sale. All product now on the shelves is replacement product regardless of code. Any customers who purchased the following products with the above codes are requested to return them to the store for a full refund.

Giant No Salt Added Wheat	Giant Sandwich Bread
Giant No Salt Added Raisin	Giant Buttermilk Bread
Giant White-Light-Red. Calorie	Giant Butter Added White
Giant Wheat-Light-Red. Calorie	Giant White Enriched Bread
Giant Wheat Enriched Bread	Giant Hot Dog Rolls - 8 Count
Giant Sandwich Honey Wheat	Giant Hamburger Rolls - 8 Count
Giant Hot Dog Rolls - 12 Count	Giant Wheat Bread
Giant Wheat Hamburger Rolls	Giant Hamburger Rolls - 12 Count
Giant Potato Rolls	Giant Sesame Sandwich Rolls
Giant Dinner Party Rolls	Giant Plain Twist Rolls
Giant No Salt Added White	Giant Poppyseed Twist Rolls
Giant Oat Bran Bread	Giant Cracked Wheat
Giant Raisin Bread	Giant Hot Dog Rolls w/Sesame Seeds
Giant King Size Hot Dog Rolls	

CONTACT: Barry F. Scher or Mark E. Roeder of Giant Food, (301) 341-4710.

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#90340p0835 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOCA RATON, FL (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Here are 15 easy fuel-saving tips from Toyota.

"The way you use your car and take care of it will have a tremendous impact on fuel economy," said David Majcher, vice president, service for Southeast Toyota Distributors. "It will also increase your enjoyment of the car and reduce your cost of operation."

To save fuel and help make your vehicle last longer: -- Keep your tires inflated at the correct pressure. Underinflation
causes tire wear and wastes fuel. -- Do not carry unneeded weight in your vehicle. Excess weight
puts a heavier load on the engine, causing greater fuel
consumption. -- Avoid lengthy warm-up idling. Once the engine is running
smoothly, begin driving -- but gently. Remember, however,
that on cold days this may take a little longer. -- Accelerate slowly and smoothly. Avoid jackrabbit starts.
Get into high gear as quickly as possible. -- Avoid long engine idling. If the driver has long wait and is
not in traffic, it is better to turn off the engine and
start again later. -- Avoid engine lug or overreving. Use a gear range suitable
for the road traveled. -- Use the air conditioner only when absolutely necessary.
The air conditioner puts an extra load on the engine,
increasing fuel consumption. -- Avoid continuous speeding up and slowing down. Stop-and-go
driving wastes fuel. -- Avoid unnecessary stopping and braking. Maintain a steady
pace. Try to time the traffic signals, so you only need
to stop as little as possible or take advantage of through
streets to avoid traffic lights. Keep a proper distance
from other vehicles to avoid sudden braking. This will
also reduce wear on your brakes. -- Avoid heavy traffic or traffic jams whenever possible. -- Do not rest your foot on the clutch or brake pedal.
This causes needless wear, overheating and poor fuel
economy. -- Maintain a moderate speed on highways. The faster you
drive, the greater the fuel consumption. By reducing
your speed you will cut down on fuel consumption. -- Keep the front wheels in proper alignment. Avoid hitting
the curb and slow down on rough roads. Improper alignment
not only causes faster tire wear but also puts an extra
load on the engine, which, in turn, wastes fuel. -- Keep the bottom of your vehicle free from mud, etc. This
not only lessens weight, but also helps prevent corrosion. -- Keep your vehicle tuned-up and in top shape. A dirty air

cleaner, improper valve clearance, dirty plugs, dirty oil and grease, brakes not adjusted, etc., all lower engine performance and contribute to poor fuel economy. For longer life of all parts and lower operating costs, keep all maintenance work on schedule, anad if you often drive under severe conditions, see that your vehicle receives more frequent maintenance.

CONTACT: Tom Lee of Toyota Motors Sales, U.S.A., 407-488-4427.

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NEW YORK, (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Italy Fund Inc. (NYSE: ITA) today announced a $1.18 dividend. This dividend is comprised of a special dividend in the amount of $0.60 per share, plus a distribution in the amount of $0.58 per share from net long term gains, all to be payable on Dec. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 21, 1990.

The Italy Fund Inc. is a closed-end management investment company that invests primarily in Italian equity and debt securities.

CONTACT: The Italy Fund, 617-573-1787

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#90340p0840 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ERIE, PA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - GTE Corp. (NYSE: GTE) has announced a five-year, $11-million commitment to be sole series underwriter of "Scientific American Frontiers," a new five-part television series, premiering Dec. 13 at 8 p.m. on WQLN, PBS Channel 54, it was announced today.

Produced in association with Scientific American magazine, "Frontiers" combines an exciting science-television series with valuable, related teaching materials and off-air videotaping rights to create a free educational resource for science teachers of grades seven-12.

"GTE's underwriting grant continues the company's longstanding commitment to improving the quality of mathematics and science education in the United States," said J.L. "Rocky" Johnson, chairman and chief executive officer of GTE.

"We hope that by stimulating students' interest in science today, we are helping to ensure that technology-driven companies like GTE will have an adequate labor pool of engineers, scientists, and technicians to draw from in the future."

"Scientific American Frontiers" brings viewers fascinating glimpses of up-to-the-minute scientific investigations, shot on location across the

country, around the world and in outer space.

Produced by the Chodd-Angier Production Co. of Watertown, Mass., "Frontiers" showcases scientists at work in the field, and emphasizes the increasing role science plays in our lives.

As its name suggests, "Scientific American Frontiers" is produced in association with Scientific American magazine. Of the publication's first-ever national television project and partnership with GTE, the publisher of Scientific American, John Moeling, commented, "Our magazine has always been committed to the best of science. Through the television medium, and particularly through this series, we can add sound and motion appropriately to what we do on paper."

The new series will reflect the unique expertise that Scientific American has come to represent - in a format and style that is immediately accessible to a general television-viewing audience.

To enhance the classroom applications of the new series, teaching materials are available free of charge to interested science educators by calling 1-800-523-5948. These materials include teacher's guides, reproducible activity sheets, posters and a monthly newsletter.

In addition, GTE has negotiated free videotaping rights in perpetuity for in-class use of the shows. GTE will distribute free materials to approximately 50,000 teachers this year, reaching nearly 16 million students.

CONTACT: J.D. Kelley of GTE, (814) 871-2304.

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#90340p0847 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASSAU, BAHAMAS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - British-American Insurance Company, Ltd. NASSAU, BAHAMAS, today announced that the Directors have declared a regular quarterly interim dividend of $.12 per share payable on December 18, 1990 to shareholders of record on December 17, 1990.

On December 3, 1990, the Wilmington Trust Company (NASDAQ-NMS: WILM), Trustee of the McMillen Trust, 65 percent majority shareholder of British-American, opposed the declaration and payment of the dividend and requested the Supreme Court of the Bahamas to deny British-American's application to allow the payment. The Court granted permission to the British-American Directors to declare the dividend if they decided to do so.

The Directors beleive that the Trustee may attempt to appeal the Order allowing the dividend and that the Trustee may further seek to obtain a stay of the Order which, if successful, could prevent payment until the issue is resolved. The Directors are unable to predict the eventual outcome of the

matter.

On October 1, 1990, the Directors declared a dividend of $3.00 per share which was similarly opposed by the Trustee. Payment of that dividend is currently the subject of litigation in the Supreme Court of the Bahamas and the Directors are likewise unable to predict whether its payment will ultimately be permitted by the court.

CONTACT: Judy Higgs, Secretary, British-American Insurance Company, Ltd., Nassau, Bahamas, 809-322-2694

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#90340p0848 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Southeastern Savings Institutions Fund, Inc. (NASDAQ: SSIF) today announced that the Board of Directors has declared a cash dividend distribution of $0.05 per share, payable on January 4 1991 to shareholders of record on December 20, 1990. The distribution is from net investment income earned by the Fund. Shareholders should include the dividend distribution in their 1990 income for tax purposes because the record date falls in December.

The Southeastern Savings Institutions Fund, Inc. is a closed-end investment company which invests primarily in equity-related securities issued by healthy Southeastern savings and loan companies. The primary investment objective is long-term capital appreciation. The Fund's investments will not be made for the purpose of exercising control of any savings institutions nor is it the intention of the Fund to invest in troubled or distressed institutions.

CONTACT: Eleanor Flanagan in Charlotte, 704-379-9098 or 1-800-284-2580, or Brenda Miller in Atlanta, 404-843-7746 or 1-800-241-3331, both of Souteastern Savings Institutions Fund, Inc.

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#90340p0849 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARIS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Automobiles Peugeot will sell 50 Peugeot J5 electric vans to the China Light and Power Company, Hong Kong's principal manufacturer of electricity, next year.

A letter of intent, which would make Peugeot the world's first exporter of electric vehicles, was co-signed Dec. 3 in Hong Kong during the 10th International Symposium on Electric Vehicles.

Peugeot has been involved in electric vehicle research and development for more than 20 years. Earlier this year, the Electric Company of France took delivery of 55 electric-powered Peugeots, including 25 J5 vans.

The electric motor in the Peugeot J5 van delivers 43 kW of power and is equipped with an electronic engine management system. The 28-cell battery lasts an average of 31,000 miles or through 600 charging cycles. The electric J5 has a top speed of 43.4 mph and a range of 43 to 62 miles.

CONTACT: Kim Derderian or Chris Dirato of Peugeot, 201-935-8419

-30- 1124

#90340p0851 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

GASTONIA, N.C. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Rauch Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: RCHI) announced today an offer to purchase the Company had been considered and rejected. The Company had announced the engagement of investment bankers in March to explore the possiblity of a sale of the Company. The Board has now voted to terminate all further efforts to sell the Company.

Rauch Industries, Inc. is the oldest domestic producer of glass and unbreakable satin Christmas tree decorations. It also produces garland, icicles, Christmas aerosols, and Easter products. Gross revenues and earnings before taxes for the year ended December 31, 1989 were $38,259,493 and $3,830,035, respectively.

CONTACT: Marshall A. Rauch, President & Chief Executive Officer, Rauch Industries, Inc., 704-867-5333

-30- 970

#90340p0854 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today reported six of its seven U.S. car and truck assembly plants are scheduled to operate the week of Dec. 10.

The company's Newark (Del.) Assembly Plant is scheduled to operate two nine-hour daily shifts next week.

The Belvidere (Ill.), Sterling Heights (Mich.), Dodge City/Warren (Mich.) Truck, and St. Louis II (Fenton, Mo.) assembly plants are all scheduled to operate two regular eight-hour daily shifts next week.

The St. Louis I (Fenton) Assembly Plant is scheduled to operate a single eight-hour shift next week.

The Toledo (Ohio) Assembly Plant is not scheduled to operate next week due to inventory adjustment. The plant will resume production the week of Dec. 17. About 4,700 hourly people will be on temporary layoff the one week.

CONTACT: Alan Miller or Doug Nicoll of Chrysler, 313-956-1909

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#90340p0858 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
SALISBURY, NC (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Food Lion, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FDLN) announces the latest unaudited sales information for the periods ending December 1, 1990 and December 2, 1989 as follows:

Period Ending	December 1, 1990	December 2,1989	Percent Increase
4 Weeks	$445,671,581	$379,131,282	17.6
Year-to-date (48 weeks)	$5,118,556,606	$4,310,021,768	18.8
Number of Stores	762	646	

The sluggish economy continues to have an impact on retail sales growth in Food Lion's market area. As of December 1, 1990, Food Lion, Inc. was operating in eleven states, with principal locations in the Southeast. Same store sales increased 2.9 percent for the four weeks and 4.9 percent year-to-date.

CONTACT: Mike Mozingo, Corporate Communications Manager, Food Lion, Inc., 704-633-8250, ext. 2575

-30- 1120
#90340p0862 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statement issued by Mastercard International is in response to consumer inquiries concerning Continental Airlines tickets purchased with Mastercard cards:

Continental Airlines has filed for protection from its creditors under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code. The airline has announced that there will be no disruption of either its service or its frequent flier program and that the judge presiding over the filing is permitting Continental Airlines to pay customers seeking ticket refunds.

Any consumer who has purchased tickets with his or her Mastercard for a scheduled, but subsequently canceled, Continental Airlines flight would have the normal recourse provided under Mastercard rules for products or services ordered but not received.

In the event a scheduled Continental Airlines flight is cancelled, the consumer should first attempt either to reschedule the flight through his or her travel agent, or through Continental Airlines or another airline, or to request a refund from his or her travel agent or Continental Airlines.

If the flight cannot be rescheduled or a refund obtained, the cardholder should contact the bank that issued the Mastercard card used to pay for the

tickets and request a credit. That request should be in the form of a letter to the bank sent as soon as possible after the date the flight was scheduled to depart.

CONTACT: Marianne Fulgenzi of Mastercard International, (212) 649-5443.

-30- 1691

#90340p0873 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Bradford C. Morley has been appointed vice president, marketing and business development for Schlumberger Technologies and will be located in New York.

Morley was previously senior vice president and general manager of Structural Dynamics Research Corporation, a leading mechanical design automation software and services company.

CONTACT: Ken Rohner of Schlumberger Technologies, 212-350-9400

-30- 609

#90340p0874 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald R. Beall, chairman and chief executive officer of Rockwell International Corp. (NYSE: ROK) told California's top business leaders today that the global competitive environment demands that Americans "clear away the obstacles to educational excellence at all levels" in order to achieve a world-class workforce and success in the marketplace.

"The good news is that every student now in school will have the opportunity for employment, but the bad news is that the majority of them will not be qualified," Beall said, quoting from a position paper by the California Manufacturers Association (CMA).

Beall made his remarks after receiving the 1990 Manufacturer of the Year Award from the CMA in Los Angeles. The award is presented annually to an outstanding leader of industry who also has shown a commitment to improvement of the lives of employees and community members.

Beall has led Rockwell in its active involvement in improving education. The corporation has provided $50 million in the last 10 years to support more than 200 educational programs.

"According to a recent survey by the Department of Education, the typical eight-grader spends 21 hours a week watching TV, but only five hours doing homework and two hours reading. To me, that doesn't say much for parental involvement," Beall said.

"I think it's about time we stopped blaming our schools and started helping them. In my view, responsibility for helping our young people lies with all of us."

Earlier in the award ceremonies, CMA Chairman Ralph Baxter praised Beall. "When we speak of industrial and civic leadership, Don Beall provides an outstanding example.

Beall was elected to his current position at Rockwell in 1988. He served as president and chief operating officer of the corporation from 1979 - 1988.

Rockwell International is a $12 billion, multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics business.

CONTACT: David Edlund of the California Manufacturers Association, 916-441-5420, or Sara Goodman of Rockwell International Corp., 213-647-5319

-30- 2387

#90340p0878 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of The Charles Schwab Corp. (NYSE: SCH) today authorized the purchase of up to an additional 500,000 shares of the company's common stock from time to time based on prevailing market conditions.

This announcement comes after completion of common stock purchases totaling 1,750,000 shares under previous stock repurchase authorizations. For the two months ended Nov. 30, 1990, the company had 26.0 million weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Hugo W. Quackenbush or Mark C. Thompson, both of The Charles Schwab Corp., 415-627-7810

-30- 815

#90340p0879 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - United Investors Management Co. (NYSE: UTD) announced that its board of directors at their Dec. 5 meeting declared an annual dividend of $.30 per share on the company's common stock.

This dividend will be paid Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 28.

United Investors Management Co. is the parent company of Waddell & Reed Inc., the manager and sole distributor of the United Group of Mutual Funds; United Investors Life Insurance Co., which offers life insurance and annuity products; and Torch Energy Advisors Inc., which manages investments in proven

oil and gas properties. Waddell & Reed is located in Shawnee Mission, Kan.; United Investors Life is headquartered in Birmingham, Ala.; and Torch Energy operates from Houston.

CONTACT: William T. Graves of United Investors Management, 205-325-4251

-30- 1065

#90340p0880 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - A spokesman for Torchmark Corporation (NYSE: TMK) stated that the company is disappointed that American General Corporation (NYSE: AGC) today rejected Torchmark's bid for American General's home service business. The $3.65 billion proposal, which included assumption of $1.8 billion of debt, was the equivalent of $30 per American General share.

Torchmark said that it still believes that the home service operations of the two companies would fit together well.

The spokesman said that Torchmark would not at this time have any further comment concerning its bid or its future plans.

CONTACT: William T. Graves of Torchmark, 205-325-4251; or Andrew R. Baer or Mary T. Conway of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Torchmark

-30- 953

#90340p0882 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Colwell Industries, Inc. (local OTC), the Minneapolis-based color merchandising and specialty printing company, today announced a 16 percent increase in sales for its third quarter of fiscal year (FY) 1990 with a decrease in earnings.

While sales reached $11,724,000 for the third quarter in 1990 versus $10,106,000 in third quarter 1989, net income dropped to a loss of $70,000 compared to earnings of $123,000 for the same period last year. Results for year-to-date sales show an increase to $37,433,000, or 19.4 percent, over last year's total of $31,341,000 for the same period. However, earnings fell to $78,000 from $1,010,000 at nine months in FY 1989.

"We had anticipated weak third quarter earnings, followed by an upswing in earnings as we head into 1991. We implemented cost-cutting programs during the company's third quarter, including workforce reductions at TFS. Overall, we have tightened operations, and are confident that the fourth quarter will start a trend of improving results," said Thomas G. Colwell, president of Colwell Industries, Inc.

COLWELL INDUSTRIES, INC. CONDENSED SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Third Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$11,724,000	$10,106,000	$37,433,000	$31,341,000
Income (loss) before income taxes	(133,000)	202,000	106,000	1,681,000
Income taxes	(63,000)	79,000	28,000	671,000
Net income (loss)	$(70,000)	$123,000	$78,000	$1,010,000
Weighted average number of common shares out-standing	1,190,631	1,192,368	1,190,991	1,193,113
Net income (loss) per share	$(.06)	$.10	$.07	$.84

CONTACT: Tom Colwell of Colwell Industries, 612-340-0365; or Kim Garretson of Mona, Meyer & McGrath, 612-831-8515, for Colwell

-30- 2155

#90340p0884 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines today said business travelers who fly with its "Corporate Rates" during December and January will receive an Eastern weekender certificate good for roundtrip weekend flights on Eastern during 1991 for just $91.

"More than 700,000 customers have already discovered the advantages of flying first class on Eastern at a coach fare," said George Brennan, senior v.p.-marketing. "This is one more advantage to flying with an Eastern Corporate Rate, and also a way to encourage those who haven't tried the product to fly it."

The $91 weekend fare is valid for travel Jan. 3 through June 18, 1991, in coach class to any domestic destination, excluding Eastern Express flights. Bookings are subject to capacity controls and passengers must begin travel Thursday through Saturday and return Sunday through Tuesday of the same weekend.

Customers qualify for the $91 weekender fare by flying Eastern's Corporate Rates anytime before Jan. 31, 1991. Eligible customers obtain their $91 weekender travel certificate by mailing a copy of their Corporate Rate ticket, original boarding passes and the name and address of the certificate recipient to: Eastern Airlines-MIAKG, P.O. Box 526225, Miami, Fla. 33152-6225.

EASTERN CUSTOMERS NOTE STRONG IMPROVEMENT Eastern has scored dramatic gains in customer satisfaction ratings over the past six months, and

first class bookings at Eastern's new "Corporate Rates" are growing, according to recent in-flight surveys.

On-board customer surveys in the past three months give Eastern high marks in several broad categories of service, including courtesy, on-time departure, cleanliness of the aircraft and overall attitude of personnel.

Customers now rate the overall attitude of Eastern personnel at a strong 4.2 on a scale of 1-5, up from 2.0 in March 1990. Satisfaction with courtesy and treatment received at the ticket counter has jumped from 2.1 to 4.0, and customers now rate Eastern at 4.3 for courtesy and treatment received on board the aircraft, compared with 1.9 in March 1990.

Passenger satisfaction with on-time departure performance reflects Eastern's outstanding record in this key area. According to Department of Transportation figures, in the seven months between March and November of 1990 Eastern had the second best on-time record of 12 major carriers, performing markedly better than Delta, United, or American. America West was first.

A separate survey of travel agents conducted last month reveals that Eastern's new first class "Corporate Rates" have won widespread approval from this critical sector of the travel industry. Among travel agents surveyed, more than 70 percent have booked passengers in the new first class section on Eastern's Corporate Rate. In Atlanta, the figures were even higher: 98 percent of those surveyed have booked customers on Eastern's Corporate Rates.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, 305-873-3773, or 305-873-6360

-30- 3191

#90340p0888 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Zapata Corp.'s (NYSE: ZOS) stockholders today approved a financial restructuring plan that is to go into effect if tender offers for the company's subordinated debentures are successful. If the tender offers fail, however, the company believes it will likely have to file for protection under the bankruptcy laws.

On Wednesday (Dec. 5), the Zapata Board of Directors voted to increase its offers for the company's 10-1/4 percent subordinated debentures due 1997 and 10-7/8 percent debentures due 2001 to $520 per $1,000 principal amount. On November 5, Zapata had offered debenture holders $480 per $1,000 principal amount. Zapata's outstanding subordinated debentures total $77.6 million.

The Board also agreed to extend the deadline for tendering the debentures from December 5 to December 20 and to require the tender of 66-2/3 percent of total outstanding debentures, rather than the 80 percent previously specified.

Debenture holders who have already tendered their debentures do not need to take any further action to receive the increased price if the tender is successful. Debenture holders who wish to withdraw debentures they have already tendered have until the Dec. 20 deadline to do so.

"The Board has extended the tender offers and raised the amount being offered in hopes that we can retire a sufficient amount of subordinated debt to enable the company to complete its comprehensive debt restructuring," Lassiter said. "If the tender offers are not successful, the restructuring will fail and we will likely have to file for protection under the bankruptcy laws.

"We cannot predict how much debenture holders would receive through bankruptcy proceedings, but we believe that it would be significantly less than the amount being offered," he said.

The restructuring plan approved by Zapata stockholders at a special meeting here today was announced at the company's June 26 annual stockholders meeting. The restructuring is contingent upon the successful completion of the tender offers.

Zapata has not had an operating profit since the first quarter of 1985. The company had a loss of $42.2 million for the nine months ended June 30, 1990.

Zapata Corp. is a Houston-based company that produces oil and natural gas, conducts commercial menhaden fishing operations that produce fish meal and edible oil, and manages a fleet of offshore drilling rigs. Zapata is also the largest shareholder in Zapata Gulf Marine Corporation, the world's leading operator of marine service vessels.

CONTACT: Barney White of Zapata Corp., 713-226-6240

-30- 2807

#90340p0896 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CULVER CITY, CALIF (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Fleet Aerospace, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FLAI) announced the consummation on Dec. 3, 1990, of the sale of the Aeronca, Calif., division of Aeronca, Inc. to Aerostretch Acquisition, Inc.

As planned, Fleet applied the net proceeds to a reduction in bank debt in satisfaction of the payments called for by the amended loan agreement.

Fleet, through its major subsidiary, Aeronca, Inc. manufactures components, structures and sub-systems for the commercial aerospace and defense markets.

CONTACT: L. Dale Foster, secretary and treasurer of Fleet Aerospace, 213-649-4391

-30- 785
#90340p0897 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Trans World Airlines and Alaska Airlines have announced a marketing agreement designed to promote passenger and cargo service between cities served by both TWA and Alaska Airlines.

Effective March 1, TWA will coordinate its flight schedules from St. Louis and Kennedy Airport in New York to Seattle which will connect with Alaska flights to Anchorage.

This code-sharing agreement will give TWA passengers one-stop service from either city to Anchorage.

In addition, the flight coordination at Seattle will give Alaska passengers direct service to TWA cities throughout the Midwest, East Coast, Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

The accord also contemplates that the airlines may agree to code-share on additional flights including several which would connect in Los Angeles.

In connection with the code-sharing agreement, Alaska Airlines will sublease two of TWA's seven gates in Terminal 3 at Los Angeles International Airport and convert them into four gates. Alaska also will sublease ticket counter space, passenger waiting areas, office space, baggage systems and other facilities.

Alaska Airlines, based in Seattle, serves 35 cities in Alaska, Mexico and five Western states while TWA and its commuter affiliates serve more than 125 cities throughout North America, Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

CONTACT: Jim Faulkner of TWA, 314-298-6303

-30- 1598
#90340p0900 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - United Financial Group Inc. announced that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporate has informed the company that at this time the FDIC is not willing to pursue settlement of certain claims alleged against United Financial. The claims relate to the allegation that United Financial was required to maintain the regulatory net worth of United Savings Association of Texas when that institution was owned by United Financial and the further claim that United Financial was obligated to reimburse United Savings for certain tax refunds received by United Financial.

As previously disclosed, the company has denied any liability for either of the FDIC's allegations. The company had reached a tentative settlement of the claims with representatives of the FDIC in October 1989. Since that time, such settlement has been subject to final approval within the FDIC.

The company is currently studying the alternatives available to it and has made no determination concerning its future operations.

CONTACT: Arthur S. Berner of United Financial Group Inc., 713-267-3780

-30- 1288

#90340p0902 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTLAKE, OH (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Nordson Corporation (NASDAQ: NDSN) announced today that earnings per share for the year ended Oct. 28, 1990 amounted to $3.05 on sales of $344.9 million. This compares with 1989 earnings of $3.53 per share on sales of $282.1 million.

Earnings for the fourth quarter of 1990 were $.90 per share on sales of $96.1 million, compared with fourth quarter 1989 earnings per share and sales of $.81 and $72.9 million, respectively.

In commenting on Nordson's performance, William P. Madar, president and chief executive officer, stated, "We are satisfied with Nordson's 1990 operating performance in the face of persistently slow growth within the world economy. Our 1990 sales gain of over 22 percent can be traced to continued emphasis on both product and market development activities. Operating margins reflect the impact of a sales mix traced to higher growth rates of large coating systems and specially engineered products relative to standard products. Our diverse product portfolio combined with a worldwide market presence shoud serve us well in the years ahead."

As previously announced, Nordson will pay a first quarter 1991 dividend of $.20 per share on Jan. 3, 1991, an 11 percent increase. This continues a record of dividend increases each year since 1963.

Nordson Corporation develops, manufactures and markets sophisticated equipment and systems used to apply advanced technology adhesives, sealants and coatings during manfacturing processes. Headquartered in Westlake, Ohio, Nordson has 18 international subsidiaries and 2,600 employees worldwide.

NORDSON CORPORATION
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(Dollars in thousands except for per share amounts)
FOURTH QUARTER REPORT
Period Ending Oct. 28, 1990
(Unaudited)
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

	Fourth Quarter	
	1990	1989
Net Sales	$96,094	$72,852
Cost of Sales	43,233	31,337

Selling and Administrative Expenses	38,169	29,969
Operating Profit	14,692	11,546
Interest Income (Expense) - Net	(1,467)	(276)
Other Income (Expense) - Net	(249)	275
Income Before Income Taxes	12,976	11,545
Income Taxes	4,317	3,717
Net Income	$8,659	$7,828
Return on Sales	9 pct	11 pct
Return on Average Shareholders' Equity	28 pct	30 pct
Per Share:		
Primary Earnings	$.90	$.81
Dividends Paid	$.18	$.16

	Year-to-Date	
	1990	1989
Net Sales	$344,904	$282,098
Cost of Sales	154,653	116,588
Selling and Administrative Expenses	140,450	112,716
Operating Profit	49,801	52,794
Interest Income (Expense) - Net	(5,722)	(1,749)
Other Income (Expense) - Net	723	742
Income Before Income Taxes	44,802	51,787
Income Taxes	15,456	17,600
Net Income	$29,346	$34,187
Return on Sales	9 pct	12 pct
Return on Average Shareholders' Equity	25 pct	35 pct
Per Share:		
Primary Earnings	$3.05	$3.53
Dividends Paid	$.72	$.64

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 28 1990	Oct. 29 1989
Cash and Marketable Securities	$8,837	$5,753
Receivables	80,541	67,211
Inventories	68,027	68,662
Prepaid Expenses	16,519	14,542
Total Current Assets	173,924	156,168
Property Plant and Equipment - net	74,689	64,218
Other Assets	20,910	15,165
Total	$269,523	$235,551
Notes Payable and Debt Due Within One Year	$47,389	$47,415
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	60,442	54,919
Total Current Liabilities	107,831	102,334
Long-term Debt	25,501	20,138
Other Liabilities	5,817	6,161
Total Shareholders' Equity	130,374	106,918

Total	$269,523	$235,551
Other Information:		
Employees	2,645	2,559
Common Shares Outstanding (000's)	9,397	9,405

CONTACT: N.D. Pellecchia of Nordson Corporation, 216-892-1580

-30- 5354

#90340p0906 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of H.B. Fuller Company (NASDAQ: FULL) voted today to approve the regular quarterly dividend of $0.15 per share of common stock. The dividend is payable Feb. 8, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 25, 1991.

The board of directors also set Feb. 22, 1991, as the record date for determination of the right to vote at the company's Annual Shareholders' meeting April 18, 1991, at 3 p.m. at the Great North American History Theatre in the Science Museum of Minnesota, 30 East 10th Street, St. Paul, Minn.

The company also announced its intention to purchase up to 300,000 shares of its common stock through open market purchases. Tony Andersen, president, stated that the purchases would be made from time to time out of corporate funds in such amounts and at such prices as may be dictated by prevailing market conditions. Currently there are 9,014,238 shares of common stock outstanding.

H.B. Fuller Company is a worldwide manufacturer and marketer of specialty chemical products, including adhesives, sealants, coatings, paints and sanitation chemicals.

CONTACT: Richard Edwards (investor relations), 612-647-3650; or Bill Belknap (media), 612-647-3604, both of H.B. Fuller

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#90340p0910 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, Alberta (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Interhome Energy Inc. (Toronto: IHE) announced today that its board of directors has unanimously approved in principle a proposal to spin-off to Interhome's shareholders its oil and gas subsidiary, Home Oil Co. Ltd. Interhome also announced that it has been advised that the boards of directors of each of GW Utilities Ltd. and Gulf Canada Resources Ltd., Interhome's two largest shareholders who together beneficially own approximately 63.5 percent of Interhome's common shares, have also approved the spin-off in principle.

Pursuant to the spin-off, Interhome shareholders will be provided with direct ownership of Interhome's two existing businesses through two separate publicly

traded companies -- Home Oil, which will carry on the oil and gas business, and Interprovincial (as Interhome would be renamed), which will carry on the regulated pipeline business. The spin-off is expected to be implemented in the first quarter of 1991 and is subject to final board, shareholder, regulatory and court approvals and receipt of a favorable advance income tax ruling.

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WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Volkswagen of America Inc., today delivered three alternative fuel cars to agencies of California governments.

VW's multi-fuel Jettas are capable of operating on any combination of gasoline and clean-burning methanol fuel. The cars feature a unique alcohol sensor and a three-way catalytic converter that simultaneously reduces hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, unburnt methanol and aldehydes.

"These Jettas are the first of an initial fleet of 310 alternative fuel vehicles that Volkswagen plans to build for government agenicies in California " said Dr. Winfried Bernhardt, director of Engine and Transmission Research for Volkswagen AG, Wolfsburg, Germany.

Charles R. Imbrecht, chairman of the California Energy Commission, noted: "Volkswagen of America was one of the first car manufacturers om the Energy Commission's program in 1981. I am pleased that through this company's commitment and foresight, we have vehicles on the road now that will measurably improve the state's air quality and enhance the state's energy security."

Bernhardt presented the cars to officials representing the California Energy Commission, the South Coast Air Quality Management District and Sacramento County.

The presentation also marked the official opening of VW's new emission test laboratory at the company's regional offices in Westlake Village.

The multi-fuel Jetta is powered by a modified four cylinder, 1.8-liter engine. It is identical in appearance to gasoline-powered Jetta models with the single exception of a fiber optic fuel mixture display on the dashboard.

VW has been conducting alternative fuel research since 1971 and has produced in Brazil more than 2.2 million vehicles powered by ethanol.

The multi-fuel Jettas exceed the driving performance of conventionally powered gasoline engine Jettas while reducing the emission of chemical compounds that adversely affect the environment.

VW is the world's fourth-largest car maker and is composed of the VW, Audi and SEAT brands. It has been the sales leader in Europe for the last five consecutive years, and is the 1990 sales leader with a 15 percent share of the market.

Volkswagen of America is the leading European importer in the United States. It has been marketing VW models here since 1949 and Audis since 1969.

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#90340p0929 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENSBURG, Pa. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Sony Engineering and Manufacturing of America (SEMA) and the Sony Medical Electronics Division of Sony of America (SME) today donated $4,000 of My First Sony(R) and other consumer electronics products to the pediatrics and children's services at Westmoreland Hospital, it was announced.

The gift is part of Sony's "For The Kids" program through which more than $100,000 in audio and video equipment will be presented to 25 hospitals around the country.

"One of Sony's main operating objectives is to be a good corporate citizen and a good neighbor, and we can think of no better way to do that than by making this investment in the children of Westmoreland County," explained Clint Michaelis, executive vice president, SEMA. Michaelis, representing SEMA and the local Sony facility which is scheduled to open in late 1992, announced the donation at the light-up of Harry Overly's annual Christmas light display in Westmoreland County.

Michael Baron, general manager of Sony Medical Electronics Division, stressed the important role the equipment can play in the recovery of children. "We're happy to join with Mr. Overly and the Westmoreland Hospital Foundation in making this donation. Hospitalization can be hard on a child. Our hope is that through this "gift of music" Sony can help make the children's hospital stay a little easier and happier."

In accepting the For The Kids donation, John McGeary, president of the Westmoreland Hospital Foundation, echoed Baron's sentiments. "The healing process involves the mind and spirit as well as the body, especially for hospitalized children who must cope with separation from family and friends and a new and foreign environment. Children are not little adults, they need special people, equipment and facilities. The Sony donation won't break a fever, but it eases the pain, making for a good medicine and a healthier child."

Westmoreland Hospital will use the donation equipment in its pediatric ward in order to help the children better cope with their hospital stays. "The music and movies donated by Sony will enable children to take their minds off being ill and concentrate on being a child," McGeary added. "A positive frame of mind is an important element of the healing process and this should help in that regard."

The donation was announced at the lighting of the 31st annual country Christmas display at the Armbrust, Westmoreland County home of Overly. The display, which spans seven acres and includes more than 11,430 strands of lights and over 450,000 bulbs, is expected to draw over 300,000 cars this year. For the 13th year, Overly has teamed with the Westmoreland Hospital Foundation to collect donations for the hospital's pediatrics and children's services. Overly's past efforts have raised over $450,000 for the hospital, and have helped to establish the Overly Health and Humor Organization, a visiting group of clowns that frequents the hospital.

"I wanted to see the money from the light-up to go a program which would help the hospitalized child and which would distinguish Westmoreland Hospital as providing something out of the ordinary," Overly said. "I'm thrilled that Sony is contributing to our efforts this year. The equipment will be welcomed by the kids."

In each of the For The Kids donations, the participating hospital can choose the audio and video equipment they deem the most appropriate. Past donations have included Trinitron(R) televisions, VHS video recorders, 8mm camcorders, BabyCall monitors, My First Sony stereo cassette recorders and radio cassettes.

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#90340p0930 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - El Chico Corp.(NASDAQ: TXMX) today announced financial results for the quarter ended Nov. 12, 1990, and a change in the name of the corporation effective today to Southwest Cafes Inc. System-wide sales, including sales from franchised restaurants, were $26,046,000 down 1.0 percent from $26,275,000 recorded in the prior year. Net sales from company operations were $18,686,000, a decrease of 1.0 percent from the $18,871,000 recorded a year ago. Both declines were due to a decrease in sales of Pronto design, a subsidiary specializing in kitchen design and equipment sales, from $827,000 to $477,000. Comparable store sales increased 1.2 percent for company-owned stores, and increased 5.1 percent for franchised stores. Franchise related income included in net sales decreased from $370,000 to $349,000 due to a reduction in the number of franchised stores.

The net income for the quarter was $57,000, or 1 cent per share, down from $121,000 or 2 cents per share, for the same 12 week period a year ago. Lower Pronto sales and franchise royalties coupled with slightly lower margins and a higher effective tax rate accounted for the decline in net income.

Separately, the company's shareholders approved changing the name of the company from "El Chico Corporation" to "Southwest Cafes Inc." effective Dec. 6, 1990. The company's NASDAQ trading symbol will change from "ELCH" to "TXMX" effective the same date. According to Gilbert Cuellar Jr., chairman and CEO, "The new corporate name reflects more accurately the company's emerging base of restaurant businesses. The company's strategy calls for expansion of three restaurant concepts, including El Chico," Cuellar continued. "Each concept will be tailored to meet the demands of specific market segments," he concluded.

In 1990 the company secured its second location for the successful Cantina Laredo restaurant concept. Southwest Cafes Inc., plans to open additional Cantina Laredo restaurants and a new concept restaurant in Nashville, as well as new El Chico franchised restaurants.

The 50-year-old, Dallas-based company owns and franchises full-service, "Tex-Mex" style Mexican restaurants in 12 states throughout the Southern and Southwestern regions of the United States. As of Nov. 12, 1990, the company had 60 company-owned restaurants and supported a network of 29 franchised restaurants.

EL CHICO CORP. ANNOUNCES
SECOND QUARTER FISCAL 1991 RESULTS;

	12 Weeks Ended November 12, 1990	12 Weeks Ended November 13, 1989
System-Wide Sales	$ 26,046,000	$ 26,275,000
Net Sales - Company Operations	$ 18,686,000	$ 18,871,000
Income Before Income Taxes	$ 88,000	$ 102,000
Net Income	$ 57,000	$ 121,000
Per Share Income	$ 0.01	$ 0.02
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	4,363,299	4,649,981

	24 Weeks Ended November 12, 1990	24 Weeks Ended November 13, 1989
System-Wide Sales	$ 55,048,000	$ 55,584,000
Net Sales - Company Operations	$ 39,471,000	$ 40,006,000
Income Before Income Taxes	$ 604,000	$ 613,000
Net Income	$ 410,000	$ 428,000
Per Share Income	$ 0.09	$ 0.09
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	4,455,921	4,649,981

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#90340p0938 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Indonesian government announced today a series of regulations intended to modernize its growing capital market by increasing market efficiency, toughening disclosure rules and prepare the way for privatization of the Jakarta Stock Exchange.

Ministry of Finance officials revealed in Jakarta the contents of a promised financial reform package "The Capital Market Presidential and Ministerial Decrees," that places a greater emphasis and responsibility on the private sector for development of Indonesia's financial market.

The package mandates full disclosure of material information, including immediate disclosure of changes in a company's financial condition or operation that can affect investors. BAPEPAM, the capital market executive agency, will continue to review prospectuses and registration documents with the intent of determining whether they contain an adequate level of information, but the principle responsibility and liability will rest with issuers, underwriters and their advisors. Advertisements are also subject to BAPEPAM regulations regarding truthful and misleading content.

The ministry said that if a prospectus contains false or misleading information or omits important and relevant facts, the issuing company, the underwriter and any professional or expert involved may be required to reimburse investors for losses caused by inadequate disclosure.

In addition, the decrees outlaw deceptive or fraudulent acts in connection with the purchase or sale of securities, including:

-- creating a false or misleading representation of price or trading activity; -- attempting through purchases, sales or misleading information to raise, lower or stabilize the price of securities with the intention of influencing the investment decisions of others; and -- trading by insiders on material information not made available to the public.

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#90340p0943 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The Chicago Dock and Canal Trust and The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States announced today that Equitable has exercised its option under an existing lease and option agreement to acquire the trust's 62 percent ownership interest in 401 N.

Michigan Ave., commonly known as the Equitable Building, located in Cityfront Center, a 60-acre mixed-use development in downtown Chicago. The purchase price is $50 million, established by the parties as part of the original lease and option agreement.

The option agreement was entered into in December 1985 as part of the dissolution of the Chicago Dock - Equitable Venture. The closing on the sale has been set by the parties for Dec. 15, 1991. The purchase price is payable, at the option of the trust, either in cash or as an exchange of the trusts's 62 percent interest in the Equitable Building for other property selected by the trust.

Constructed in 1965, the Equitable Building is a 35-story building that has served as the headquarters for Equitable since the opening of the property.

Equitable, through its Compass division, will continue its current management of the Equitable Building. Equitable currently manages and/or owns more than $3.5 billion of property in its Chicago region portfolio including ownership of NBC Tower, 333 W. Wacker Drive, Gateway IV and Madison Plaza.

The Chicago Dock and Canal Trust is a real estate investment trust engaged primarily in the business of acquiring and holding real estate and interests in real estate for investment. The trust, formed in 1962, is successor to the Chicago Dock and Canal Company, founded in 1857 by Chicago's first mayor, William Ogden. The trust's assets include ownership of its interest in the Equitable Building and a substantial portion of the land at Cityfront Center. The trust also owns Kipling Plaza (a 90,000-sq.-ft. office complex in suburban Denver), Lincoln Garden (a 73,000-sq.-ft. office complex in Tampa, Fla.), Waterplace Park (a 107,000-sq.-ft. office complex in Indianapolis, Ind.), and One Michigan Avenue (a 144,000-sq.-ft. office building in Lansing, Mich.).

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#90340p0946 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - CPT Corporation announced today that it has reorganized into a holding company with four separate operating companies. This is a continuation of previously announced restructuring and is part of the rebuilding plan initiated in June, 1990.

CPT President, CEO, and Chairman Arun Dube said the company is progressing with its plans for corporate reorganization in connection with its Chapter XI filing on Oct. 11 to protect the company from adverse claims. "With this organizational structure, each company is focused in both product development

and sales. These separate corporations are seeking strategic alliances, joint ventures and/or direct investments to insure their success," he said.

The four organizations are as follows: -- CPT OFIS Dialog System, Inc., which will sell and market CPT products in the U.S. and additionally focus on new market opportunities in the rapidly growing area of high-performance network server and telecommunications, and exploit the market in imaging products.

-- CPT International, Inc., which shall distribute and market CPT products outside the U.S. and includes CPT's international subsidiaries.

-- CPT Direct, Inc., which sells CPT computers and related equipment through a direct sales operation.

-- SMR Office Services, Inc., which provides a variety of office management services to the medical community.

CPT Corporation, a public company, continues to hold all the stock in all of its subsidiary operations.

CPT also announced today the sale of an additional 100 computers and 100 printers to the U.S. Army for use in connection with Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia. This order is worth over $300,000, and is the fourth order for CPT equipment to Saudi Arabia since Operation Desert Shield began.

The company expects to continue to be a supplier to Operation Desert Shield.

"As with the original order, CPT continues to be well served by our excellent local reputation in Saudi Arabia, our ability to deliver equipment quickly, and our competitive pricing. Throughout CPT's longstanding relationship with the Saudis, we've proven our ability to deliver quality computers along with superior service and support. Our Saudi Arabian distributor, AJECT, has done an outstanding job, competing with 80 companies for this particular bid," said Tom Flavin of CPT's International Sales department.

Flavin adds that CPT computers are listed on the government's GSA schedule of approved vendors, which made the transaction possible and guaranteed the Army highly competitive pricing on the CPT systems and workstations.

"We are delighted that CPT continues to assist in the military's efforts in Operation Desert Shield," said CPT President, CEO and Chairman Arun Dube. "Follow-on orders such as this one are excellent indicators of our ability to satisfy CPT customers both before and after the sale."

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#90340p0949 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, COLO. (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Hauser Chemical Research Inc. (NASDAQ: HAUS) announced operating results for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Oct. 31, 1990. Total revenues were $1,592,424 for the quarter, up 161 percent over the $609,304 reported for the second quarter in the prior year. Profits were $104,148 before taxes, $57,648 after tax, compared to the loss of $26,646 reported for the second quarter in the prior year.

Revenues for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $3,139,244 compared to $1,296,530 in the prior year. Net income before taxes for the six months, was $203,263, $126,763 after taxes, compared to $4,121 for the first six months of last year.

This quarter's results were impacted favorably by new business with Bristol-Myers Squibb related to the manufacture of Taxol, a promising new anti-cancer drug. Volume for Bristol-Myers Squibb was $732,000 in this quarter versus $558,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1991. The company's Taxol production is expected to grow substantially as increased research quantities of Taxol are required prior to the introduction of the drug to the market. Last year's figures did not include the new subsidiary, Hauser Laboratories Inc., which accounted for $850,000 of this year's six month revenues.

Hauser Chemical Research is a chemical and engineering technology company encompassing chemical research and chemical analysis, engineering services, petroleum testing, and isolation and purification of high-value products and chemicals from natural sources. It is one of only a few companies nationwide applying chemical process technologies to the broader field of biotechnology with a special emphasis on natural products.

Hauser Chemical Research has developed proprietary chemical technologies that enable it to isolate and purify extracts and natural compounds at a high-quality level and a lower cost than competing technologies. The company processes materials for clients producing pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, nutrients, and other high-value products. Its service and research activities encompass the general field of organic and inorganic chemistry with special expertise in process and product development, synthesis, surface modification, chemical analysis, environmental analysis, industrial problem solving, product formulation, material testing, engineering services, and forensic investigations.

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#90340p0962 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of TransCanada

PipeLines (Toronto, Montreal, Alberta, Vancouver: TRP) today declared a quarterly dividend of 18 cents per share for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990. This is the 108th consecutive dividend paid by TransCanada on its common shares. The dividend will be payable on Jan. 31, 1991 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 31, 1990.

TransCanada's board of directors also declared regular dividend payments on preferred shares for the quarter ending Feb. 1, 1991. The following preferred dividends are payable Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 31, 1990.

Dividend No. 99 was declared on the $2.80 Cumulative Redeemable First Preferred Shares in the amount 70 cents per share.

Dividend No. 24 was declared on the Cumulative Redeemable Retractable First Preferred Series H in the amount of $1.0875 per share.

Dividend No. 21 was declared on the Cumulative Redeemable Retractable First Preferred Shares Series I in the amount of $0.975 per share.

Dividend No. 15 was declared on the Cumulative Redeemable Retractable First Preferred Shares Series J in the amount of $0.95 per share.

Dividend No. 5 was declared on the Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual First Preferred Shares Series K in the amount of $9,600 per share.

TransCanada's Board of Directors also declared dividends on the following series of preferred shares, for the periods indicated and payable to shareholders of record as noted.

Dividend No. 2 was declared on the Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual First Preferred Shares Series L in the amount of $10,156.25, for the quarter ending March 1, 1991 payable on March 1, 1991 to shareholders of record at the close of business Jan. 31, 1991.

Dividend No. 1 was declared on the Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual First Preferred Shares Series M in the amount of $9,135.62, for the period from and including the date of issue of the Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual First Preferred shares Series M, to and including Jan. 31, 1991, payable on Feb. 1, 1991 to the shareholders of record at the close of business Dec. 31, 1990.

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#90340p0963 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Anheuser-Busch Inc., and the National Brewery Conference of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters announced

today they have arrived at a settlement of a new labor contract to be effective from March 1, 1991, through Feb. 28, 1994. The settlement covers approximately 8,800 of the company's production and maintenance employees at its 12 breweries.

Terms of the settlement were not announced pending the ratification procedure which is scheduled to be completed by Jan. 15, 1991.

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#90340p0964 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, Idaho (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Boise Cascade Corp. (NYSE: BCC) said today that, due to increased investor interest, it has increased by $20 million the $100 million public offering it announced yesterday. The company yesterday announced a public offering of $100 million of 10.125 percent notes due in 1997 at 99.692 percent of their face value. The notes are noncallable. Today's action increases the amount of the offering to $120 million under the same terms.

The net proceeds of the offering will be used for repayment of short-term debt and general corporate purposes.

The First Boston Corp., Goldman, Sachs & Co., Lazard Freres & Co., and Salomon Brothers Inc. are the underwriters for the notes.

Boise Cascade Corp. is an integrated forest products company headquartered in Boise, Idaho, with operations located primarily in the United States and Canada. The company manufactures and distributes paper and paper products, office products and building products and owns and manages timberland to support these operations.

CONTACT: Scott Lamb of Boise Cascade Corp., 208-384-7675, or after hours, 208-343-8380

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#90340p0965 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, IDAHO (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - James M. Carmody, marketing director of the Operations & Maintenance Group of Morrison Knudsen (MK) (NYSE: MRN), has been promoted to president of the group, Gunnar E. Sarsten, MK president and chief operating officer, announced today.

Carmody succeeds Murray Weingarten who is retiring but who has agreed to serve in a consulting role as special assistant to the group president for six months.

"Jim Carmody has made valuable contributions in several important positions with MK and he will lead expansion of this group's activities," said Sarsten. "Murray has made a strong contribution to MK, completed his assignment, and we wish him the best during his retirement."

Carmody has served as marketing director of the O&M Group for three years. He joined MK in 1977 as a purchasing manager and later served as director of procurement and logistics on a worldwide basis for two of the largest projects in MK history -- King Khalid Military City in Saudi Arabia, and the Cerrejon Coal Mine development in Colombia. He studied mechanical engineering at the University of Cincinnati.

Carmody served for three years as a member of the Construction Industry Institute's materials management task force.

MK's Operations & Maintenance Group operates private industrial plants and military bases and provides international materials-management and procurement services for public and private clients.

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#90340p0972 12/06/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Tribune Company (NYSE: TRB) today announced that it, and its subsidiary Sunbelt Publishing Company, signed a definitive agreement to sell a group of 13 weekly and biweekly newspapers and shoppers on Florida's Gulf Coast to Media General, Inc. (AMEX: MEG).

The purchase is expected to be completed on Dec. 30, 1990. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Robert D. Bosau, president of Tribune Community Publications which oversaw Sunbelt Publishing's operations, said that these community newspapers no longer fit Tribune Company's strategies. He added: "We are pleased that we could turn these fine properties over to a well- respected publisher like Media General."

Tribune Company is a diversified media company engaged in newspaper publishing broadcasting, entertainment production and newsprint operations.

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#90340t3166 12/06/1990 ~ts

KABUL (DEC. 6) TASS - AFGHAN TROOPS CONDUCTED MOPPING-UP OPERATIONS IN

SEVERAL AREAS ON WEDNESDAY. THEY OUSTED REBELS FROM KAMA DISTRICT, NANGARHAR PROVINCE. LARGE QUANTITIES OF LARGE-CALIBRE WEAPONS WERE SEIZED IN KABUL PROVINCE AND ONE SAUDI ADVISER WAS KILLED.

THE REBELS SEEK TO DUCK DIRECT CLASHES WITH THE AFGHAN ARMY, SHELLING CITIES AND VILLAGES AND CONDUCTING TERRORIST ACTIVITIES. CITIES IN 12 AFGHAN PROVINCES WERE HIT BY MISSILES ON WEDNESDAY.

MASSIVE STRIKES WERE INFLICTED ON THE CITIES OF GHAZNI AND KHOST. SECURITY OFFICERS DEFUSED A POWERFUL BOMB PLANTED BY TERRORISTS IN A DENSELY POPULATED AREA IN THE CITY OF JALALABAD, PROVINCIAL CAPITAL OF NANGARHAR.

THE BAKHTAR NEWS AGENCY REPORTS THAT ANOTHER 95 AFGHAN REFUGEES RETURNED FROM IRAN AND PAKISTAN TO THE GHAZNI, BAGHLAN, HELMAND AND KUNDUZ PROVINCES OVER THE PAST FEW DAYS.

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#90340t3174 12/06/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (DECEMBER 6) TASS - THE FIRST PLANELOAD OF ISRAELI FOOD AID ARRIVED AT MOSCOW'S SHEREMETYEVO AIRPORT TODAY, BRINGING 15 TONNES OF MILK POWDER.

"THE EFFORT WAS INITIATED BY THE SOKHNUT JEWISH AGENCY," ARIEN LEVIN, HEAD OF THE ISRAELI CONSULAR GROUP IN MOSCOW, TOLD TASS.

EARLIER TEN TONNES OF FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES AND MEDICINES WERE DELIVERED TO THE SOVIET CAPITAL, HE SAID.

THE ISRAELI PEOPLE WANT TO HELP THE SOVIET UNION TACKLE ITS CURRENT PROBLEMS, LEVIN SAID.

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#90340t3179 12/06/1990 ~ts
KISHINEV (DEC. 6) TASS - THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT TODAY LIFTED THE STATE OF EMERGENCY AND THE SPECIAL FORM OF ADMINISTRATION IN SEVERAL AREAS IN THE SOUTH OF THE REPUBLIC, WHERE THE GAGAUZ, CHRISTIAN TURKS, LIVE. THE EMERGENCY REGULATIONS WERE ENFORCED BY THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT ON OCTOBER 26, 1990 AFTER THE GAGAUZ PROCLAIMED THE SO-CALLED GAGAUZ SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC WITHIN THE RENEWED SOVIET UNION.

THE DOCUMENT, ADOPTED BY PARLIAMENT, DEMANDS THAT USSR INTERIOR MINISTRY TROOPS BE WITHDRAWN FROM THE AFOREMENTIONED AREAS WITHIN THREE DAYS AND RETURN TO PLACES OF THEIR PERMANENT DEPLOYMENT.

HAVING DECIDED TO DECLARE THE TWO-MONTH STATE OF EMERGENCY, THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT SET UP A PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE HEADED BY THE REPUBLICAN FIRST DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER ANDREI SANGELI. THE PARLIAMENT AUTHORISED THIS COMMITTEE

TO NORMALISE THE SITUATION IN THE SOUTHERN AREAS OF THE REPUBLIC.

HOWEVER, THE COMMITTEE COULD NOT GET DOWN TO FULFILLING ITS FUNCTIONS BECAUSE ROADS WERE BLOCKED BY GAGAUZ VOLUNTEERS. TO AVOID CLASHES, THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT APPROACHED THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT WITH THE REQUEST TO INTRODUCE SOVIET INTERIOR MINISTRY TROOPS IN SOUTHERN AREAS.

DETACHMENTS OF VOLUNTEERS, WHO ARRIVED IN KOMRAT AND CHADYR-LUNGA FROM TIRASPOL, RYBNITSY, BENDER AND KAMENKA TO GIVE BACKING TO THE GAGAUZ, HAMPERED THE NORMALISATION OF THE SITUATION IN SOUTHERN MOLDAVIA FOR A LONG TIME.

ON THE OTHER HAND, DETACHMENTS OF VOLUNTEERS FROM AREAS ON THE RIGHT BANK OF THE DNIESTER RIVER ASSEMBLED NEAR THE APPROACHES TO SOUTHERN AREAS. THEY WERE CONCERNED ABOUT THE TERRITORIAL DIVISION OF MOLDAVIA. SOVIET INTERIOR MINISTRY TROOPS ACTED AS A DETERRENCE FORCE BETWEEN THEM.

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#90340t3196 12/06/1990 ~ts

KISHINEV (DEC. 6) TASS - MOLDAVIA SHOULD SIGN THE NEW UNION TREATY, THE MOLDAVIAN COMMUNIST PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE SAID IN A STATEMENT PASSED AT A PLENUM, WHICH ENDED ON WEDNESDAY.

TO ISOLATE THE REPUBLIC ECONOMICALLY, BREAK IT UP OR "FASTEN IT" TO ANOTHER STATE IS TO DOOM IT TO ISOLATION AND BACKWARDNESS AND IGNORE THE GENUINE INTERESTS OF ITS PEOPLE, THE STATEMENT SAID.

ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, POLITICAL AND ETHNIC STABILITY IN THE SOVIET UNION AND THE REPUBLIC IS POSSIBLE ONLY ON THE BASIS OF A LASTING UNION OF SOVEREIGN REPUBLICS AND THEIR COORDINATED EFFORTS, IT SAID.

THE PLENUM ALSO PASSED AN ADDRESS TO COMMUNISTS IN THE DNIESTER REGION AND SOUTHERN MOLDAVIA, SAYING THAT POLITICAL TENSIONS IN THE REPUBLIC HAVE INCREASED FOLLOWING PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS IN THE DNIESTER AND GAGAUZ REPUBLICS, WHICH WERE DECLARED UNCONSTITUTIONAL BY THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT.

ALL THIS HAPPENED DESPITE APPEALS BY PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV, THE SUPREME SOVIET, THE MOLDAVIAN PRESIDENT AND THE MOLDAVIAN COMMUNIST PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

THE PLENUM CALLED ON ALL POLITICAL PARTIES AND PUBLIC MOVEMENTS TO REFRAIN FROM SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF ALL THE PEOPLE, SAYING THAT THIS COULD AGGRAVATE POLITICAL CONFRONTATION, EXTREMISM AND SEPARATISM.

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LIMA (DEC. 6) TASS - THE SOVIET ORBITAL COMPLEX MIR-SOJUZ TM-11 WITH THE

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(DEC. 6) UPI - The Bush administration says Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's decision to release all foreign hostages indicates that ''diplomatic and military pressure'' against Iraq is working.

It's still NOT clear exactly when the remaining six-thousand Western and Japanese hostages will be allowed to leave. But Iraq's ambassador to the United States says the captives, including about 900 Americans, could be home by Christmas.

President Bush, reacting to the news in Chile, told reporters he hopes that Saddam- quote- ''understands that his hostage policy has incurred the condemnation of the whole world.'' But Bush said it won't change his position that Saddam needs to get out of Kuwait.

Israel today reaffirmed its opposition to an international Middle East peace conference. The U-N Security Council is considering a resolution that would call for the convening of an international peace conference to settle the Israeli-Arab conflict.

Meanwhile, the United States denies reports it is endorsing such a meeting. Secretary of State Baker told reporters- ''We are NOT now recommending that an international conference on the Arab-Israeli conflict be held.''

Chicago-based Sears, Roebuck and Company is freezing the salaries of 20-thousand managers for at least a year in a company-wide cost-cutting move. Those workers normally would have expected pay raises of five percent to seven percent.

American Telephone and Telegraph Company has launched a six-BILLION- dollar cash tender offer for N-C-R Corporation, the nation's fifth- largest computer manufacturer. The communications giant says N-C-R's rebuff of efforts to forge a friendly merger left NO other alternative.

Actor Gary Coleman was released from an Arizona hospital today following treatment for his recurring kidney problems. The 22-year-old diminutive star of the 1980's television series ''Diff'rent Strokes'' was hospitalized last week. He has had at least two kidney transplants.

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(DEC. 8) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Seattle at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
LA Lakers at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Charlotte at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Washington at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

GOLF

PGA Team Championsip, Wellington, Fla.

HOCKEY

Montreal at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Buffalo at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
NY Islanders at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.
Toronto at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.

SOCCER

Albany at Pensacola
Columbus at Omaha

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PANAMA CITY (DEC. 6) UPI - Panamanian President Guillermo Endara said a failed uprising by police officers was a triumph of democracy over militarism, but the incident left one dead and showed the vulnerability of his government.

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''One more time, democracy triumphs,'' Endara said at a news conference after rebel leader Eduardo Herrera Hassan had been detained.

Endara had no details of the killing. One Panamanian television station said

two people had been killed but the report could not be independently confirmed.

The Southern Command had no comment on deaths or injuries. Two Panamanian news photographers were also injured, according to Panamanian TV.

Herrera, a former police chief, was fired and jailed in October for allegedly plotting against the government. He escaped Tuesday in a daring helicopter rescue and took control of police headquarters with about 100 rebel police.

About 500 U.S. troops based in Panama responded to Endara's call for help and surrounded police headquarters, the U.S. Southern Command said.

It was the largest movement of U.S. troops outside their bases since the Dec. 20, 1989, invasion that ousted dictator Manuel Noriega.

Last week, U.S. officials announced the withdrawal of the last 150 U. S. troops who had been assisting Panamanian police throughout the country.

Endara, who was installed during the invasion, has been plagued by deep economic troubles as well as discontent within the police force.

Many Panamanians distrust the force because it was built from Noriega's army. Members of the force have been accused of plotting against the government on several occasions.

Herrera - a former aid to Noriega who later turned against the strongman - was named police chief just after the invasion, but was known to oppose government plans to convert the military into a police force carrying pistols and nightsticks instead of machineguns.

Herrera denied that he was leading a coup. He called on the government to adopt reforms that would improve the moral of the 12,000- member force and called himself a ''spokesman'' for discontented elements within the police.

Herrera, with the support of policemen armed with pistols and machineguns and wearing black face masks, held police headquarters until mid-morning.

''What we want is respect,'' Herrera said, while he still held the headquarters. ''I don't think that this could become a coup because police units want reconciliation.''

After talks with Panamanian and U.S. military officals, Herrera decided to lead a group of rebel police to the National Assembly to present their demands.

Surrounded by journalists, they passed two U.S. troop checkpoints. But the soldiers later chased after the rebel police, ordered them to lie on their bellies, disarmed and arrested them.

They were put on a U.S. military truck and turned over to Panamanian authorities.

Herrera is being held at Renacer Prison, 10 miles north of Panama City, and 36 policemen are also in custody, Vice President Ricardo Arias Calderon said.

A 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. curfew has been issued for the Curundu neiohborhood, where roving gangs threatened pedestrians and motorists Wednesday. Police also arrested several people for looting.

Endara said those policemen involved in the uprising would be fired and prosecuted. He said the vast majority of the police had remained loyal to his government.

Conditions were calm throughout most of Panama Wednesday night, according to radio reports.

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(DEC. 6) UPI - C-I-A Director William Webster is echoing administration contentions that economic sanctions may NOT work against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Webster told the House Armed Services Committee Wednesday that Iraqi forces can nearly maintain their current levels of readiness for as long as nine months.

President Bush travels to Chile on Thursday on the fourth leg of his five-nation South American tour. Bush told a news conference in Argentina Wednesday that he's ''more convinced'' than ever that Iraq must comply with U-N resolutions demanding a complete withdrawl from Kuwait. And he said he won't cut a deal with Iraq in upcoming talks.

A Northwest Airlines jetliner was diverted to Newark International Airport Wednesday night after it ran short on fuel... and the pilot said the Boeing 757 couldn't make it to New York. NO one was injured in the emergency landing that comes just two days after two Northwest jets collided on the runway at Detroit Metropolitan Airport, killing eight passengers.

Economists say there's little in recent government statistics to indicate economic recovery... despite rising factory orders and continued, but slowing, gains in productivity. The Commerce Department Wednesday reported a two-point-eight percent rise in factory orders in October... the largest boost since March.

In other economic news, the Federal Reserve Wednesday reported that business conditions display an overall ''weaker pattern'' with declines in consumer confidence, retail sales and business loan demands. The Fed survey found economic activity declining in many of the 12 Federal Reserve regions after

being sluggish in recent months.

Near freezing weather swept across the South Wednesday as strong winds buffeted Southern California and snow dusted the northeast and upper Midwest. Freeze warnings were in effect for northern Florida and southwest Georgia where the mercury dipped into the lower 30's and upper 20's.

A K-Mart store manager in Stone Mountain, Georgia, says the chilly temperatures are really causing business to pick up... as many southerners rush to stores to buy warm jackets, long coats, electric blankets, gloves and caps. The wintry blast also sent the homeless into shelters.

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(DEC. 6) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	17	10	5	39	121	95
Philadelphia	17	11	2	36	110	93
New Jersey	15	10	4	34	116	97
Washington	16	14	0	32	101	93
Pittsburgh	12	14	2	26	116	112
NY Islanders	9	15	2	20	73	101

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	15	8	4	34	89	82
Montreal	14	13	3	31	91	94
Hartford	11	13	4	26	81	90
Buffalo	9	10	7	25	80	81
Quebec	5	19	6	16	82	132

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	18	9	2	38	96	71
St. Louis	15	9	3	33	91	76
Detroit	13	10	4	30	104	105
Minnesota	8	15	6	22	80	99
Toronto	6	23	1	13	81	135

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	16	7	4	36	113	85
Calgary	16	9	4	36	123	92

Vancouver	13	13	2	28	91	98
Winnipeg	9	17	5	23	101	111
Edmonton	10	14	2	22	80	78

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(DEC. 6) UPI - As Larry Bird showed the run-and-gun Denver Nuggets, winning basketball games has nothing to do with youth or speed.

On Wednesday night, Denver tried to outrun the Celtics at Boston Garden. Instead, Bird, who turns 34 on Friday, scored 43 points, handed out 13 assists and grabbed eight rebounds as Boston rallied for a 148- 140 victory.

''It's really a lot of fun, especially when you win,'' said Bird, who felt it was his team's fault for letting the Nuggets set the game's pace. ''We stood around a lot tonight on the defensive end and didn't box out. We let them play the type of game they wanted.''

The veteran forward hit 14 of 26 from the floor, including three of six from 3-point territory. His 43 points were the most-ever by a Celtic player against Denver.

''Larry Bird was vintage tonight,'' said Nuggets Coach Paul Westhead.

''On nights like this, you're happy to get a win,'' said Boston Coach Chris Ford, whose team is now 14-3. ''If you're going to be a good team, you can't let other teams dictate the pace and take control. They had us playing their kind of ball and they almost beat us.''

Almost is right. For the second consecutive night, Denver frittered away a fourth-quarter lead. On Tuesday night in Cleveland, Denver held a 20-point lead in the fourth quarter then lost the game 121-117. Denver is winless in eight road games.

Robert Parish and Reggie Lewis added 25 points each for the Celtics, who have won 10 of their last 11. Kevin McHale had 19 and Brian Shaw 18 for Boston. Parish grabbed 14 rebounds.

Michael Adams scored 31 points and Orlando Woolridge had 29 points, including his 10,000th career point. Denver is 0-8 away from home this season and 3-14 overall. Adams, who was one for nine on 3-pointers, had 17 assists.

''The last couple of nights we have been playing well for three quarters,'' said Adams, who did not score in the final 10 minutes. ''We were right there for three and a half quarters, but when we wanted the shots at the end they weren't there.''

In other NBA games, Milwaukee out-lasted Cleveland 113-109 in overtime; Indiana downed Phoenix 126-121; Portland defeated Orlando 119- 110; Atlanta surprised San Antonio 110-108; Utah blasted Detroit 106-85; the Los Angeles Clippers out-played Dallas 93-89 and Washington triumphed over Golden State 104-98.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Bucks 113, Cavaliers 109 OT

At Milwaukee, Alvin Robertson scored 8 of his season-high 31 points in overtime and added 11 rebounds as the Bucks remained undefeated in nine home games. Jack Sikma contributed 18 points as Milwaukee improved its home mark to 9-0. For Cleveland, Darnell Valentine, playing in his second NBA game since May 1989, scored 24 points.

Pacers 126, Suns 121

At Indianapolis, Reggie Miller scored 27 points, Detlef Schrempf added a season-high 23 and each contributed 11 points in the fourth quarter to spark the Pacers. Kevin Johnson scored 39 to pace Phoenix, which led by 16 points late in the first half.

Trail Blazers 119, Magic 110

At Orlando, Fla., Clyde Drexler pumped in 27 points and Portland improved its league-leading record to 16-1. The Trail Blazers are undefeated in six road games. Kevin Duckworth added 18 points and Portland had six players with at least 14 points. For the Magic, now 4- 14, guard Scott Skiles scored a team-high 27.

Hawks 110, Spurs 108

At San Antonio, Glenn ''Doc'' Rivers scored 25 points, including a 20-foot jumper with three seconds left, as the Hawks won for the second time in two nights after a nine-game losing streak. The Spurs, who suffered their first loss in seven homes games this season, were paced by Terry Cummings' 30 points and Sean Elliot's 20.

Jazz 106, Pistons 85

At Salt Lake City, Jeff Malone scored 11 of his 27 points in the final period and Detroit lost its third straight game. For the Jazz, Karl Malone added 23 points and John Stockton had 18 assists. The NBA defending champion Pistons trailed 73-70 after three quarters then scored just 6 points in the first 10 minutes of the final period. Detroit was paced by Isiah Thomas's 21 points.

Clippers 93, Mavericks 89

At Los Angeles, Charles Smith scored 8 of his 24 points in the final three minutes to help the Los Angeles Clippers win their third in a row and eighth in their last 11. The Mavericks lost their third straight and have 8 losses in their last 10 games since knee injuries took Roy Tarpley and Fat Lever out of the lineup. For the Clippers, Benoit Benjamin registered 16 points and a game-high 17 rebounds. Alex English led Dallas with 18 points.

Bullets 104, Warriors 98

At Oakland, Bernard King scored 25 of his 31 points in the second half and the Bullets won for the second time in 10 road games this season. Washington's Harvey Grant added a career-high 27 points. Golden State, which had a three-game winning streak snapped, was led by Mitch Richmond's 21 points. Teammate Chris Mullin, averaging 27 points, was held to a season-low 13.

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(DEC. 6) UPI - Iraq and three Arab allies have agreed that the Palestinian cause should be on the bargaining table in talks with the United States but denied reports it was willing to withdraw from Kuwait in exchange for a captured oil field.

Meanwhile, the first of some 3,300 Soviet nationals held in Iraq began leaving the country, and 43 more hostages from Australia and Japan were to be released Thursday, according to officials and news reports in those countries.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein met in Baghdad Wednesday with Jordan's King Hussein, Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat and the vice president of Yemen.

Jordan's Amman Radio reported all four Arab leaders concluded that Saddam should press to make the Palestinian-Israeli conflict a negotiating point in the high-level Iraqi-U.S. talks planned for later this month.

However, Secretary of State James Baker rejected the notion of a negotiated settlement to the Persian Gulf crisis altogether, and specifically reiterated U.S. opposition to linking the Palestinian issue with Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

President Bush, in Argentina during a six-day swing through Latin America, ruled out making any concessions aimed at allowing Saddam to make a gracious exit from Kuwait.

''When naked aggression takes place, it is not a question of saving face for the aggressor,'' Bush told reporters at a news conference.

Saddam has agreed to meet with Baker in Baghdad later this month and will send Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to Washington for talks with Bush in an effort to avoid a military confrontation after the U.N. dealine of Jan. 15 for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

Cable News Network, quoting a high Iraqi official who requested anonymity, reported Wednesday that Saddam was feeling the pressure of the forces arrayed against him and the Jan. 15 deadline, and that during his meeting with Baker,

''all issues are on the table - everything.''

However, Iraq rejected Wednesday as ''absolute nonsense'' a British independent television report saying Saddam was willing to withdraw from Kuwait in exchange for keeping the Rumaila oil field.

The Sky Television News satellite network, quoting an anonymous source, reported Tuesday that Saddam offered to witdraw his troops from Kuwait to avoid war provided he is allowed to keep the oil field, which straddles the Iraq-Kuwait border and was captured during the invasion.

Baker, appearing before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said his mission to Baghdad ''will be an attempt to explain to Saddam the choice he faces: Comply with the objectives of the (U.N.) Security Council or risk disaster for Iraq.''

He insisted the United States would settle for nothing less than fulfillment of U.N. resolutions calling for the unconditional withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait, the release of all hostages and restoration of Kuwait's legitimate government.

''Nor is this the beginning of negotiations on subjects which are unrelated to Iraq's brutal occupation of Kuwait,'' Baker said. ''I will not be negotiating the Palestinian question or the civil war in Lebanon. Saddam Hussein did not invade Kuwait to help the Palestinians; he did it for his own self-aggrandizement.''

Amman Radio also reported Wednesday King Hussein would try to meet Saudi King Fahd and the exiled emir of Kuwait in an effort to arrange a meeting between Saddam and Fahd in Algeria. Saudi officials said any such meeting would give Saddam even more time to consolidate his position in Kuwait.

In other developments, the Kyodo News Agency in Tokyo reported that 36 of the 141 Japanese nationals held in Iraq would be permitted to leave Thursday with family members visiting Baghdad.

In addition, seven Australian hostages were to fly to Amman Thursday, leaving 22 still held in Iraq, the Australian Foreign Ministry announced.

The first of an estimated 3,000 Soviet hostages held by Iraq began to return home Wednesday, the official Iraqi news agency INA said. Moscow, which was once among the largest weapons suppliers to Iraq, has said the release would not lessen its opposition to the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

An undisclosed number of Soviet military advisers and consultants began leaving Iraq on flights to Amman, Jordan, after Saddam said he would allow them to go home even though they had not fulfilled their work contracts.

The Soviet Union supported the U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force to drive Iraq from Kuwait, but has not sent troops to join the U. S.-led multinational force in the region.

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BOSTON (DEC. 6) UPI - Guards Jim Paxson and Charles Smith were waived Wednesday by the Boston Celtics.

Paxson, 33, has been on the team's suspended list for two months, since the Celtics decided the 6-foot-6 former All-Star would not be on their roster this year.

The 6-foot-1, 190-pound Smith was in his second NBA season, after signing with Boston as a free agent out of Georgetown University. He played in 60 games last season but has been on the injured list due to a shoulder problem since the start of the current season.

Paxson suffered a series of back and wrist injuries during his 2 1/2 seasons with the Celtics. His value to Boston declined with the return of 24-year-old guard Brian Shaw from Italy and the acquisition of first- round draft pick Dee Brown, a 22-year-old guard.

First-year coach Chris Ford intended to change the Celtics' style of play, emphasizing the speed and defense which the younger guards could provide, unlike the slower Paxson.

The Celtics announced on Oct. 6 that Paxson would not return for the 1990-91 season, but did not release him at the time. The team said it wanted to give him the chance to explore other professional opportunities. Paxson, an All-Star in 1983 and 1984, hoped to be picked up by another team, but it became apparent his playing days were over, despite playing in 72 games last season.

''Playing for the Boston Celtics was and is the ultimate dream of any basketball player,'' Paxson said. ''I not only played alongside players with unique talent, but made a lot of friends along the way. I am now looking forward to new career challenges.''

He did not say what career options he is considering.

The Celtics acquired Paxson from the Portland Trailblazers on Feb. 23, 1988, in a trade for Jerry Sichting.

Portland's first-round draft choice in 1979, Paxson is a former captain of the Trailblazers. He was a member of the All-NBA team in 1984.

Paxson played in 784 career games and averaged 14.3 points. He played in 53 playoff games, including 20 with the Celtics.

Now a resident of the San Diego area, Paxson is one of three family members who not only played in the NBA, but were chosen in the first round of the draft. His brother John is currently a member of the Chicago Bulls, and his father, Jim, played with the Minneapolis Lakers and the Cincinnati Royals.

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#90340u0294 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 6) UPI - One of the Washington Capitals' favorite songs probably is ''Why Don't We Do It in the Road?'' by the Beatles.

The Capitals aren't doing it in the road, but lately they have been doing it on the road.

In Pittsburgh, Michal Pivonka scored one goal and assisted on another Wednesday night to lead the Capitals to a 3-1 victory over the Penguins. The victory was Washington's third straight on the road and gave the Capitals a 6-2-0 record in their last eight games.

''Sometimes at home you try to do way too much,'' said Capitals Coach Terry Murray. ''You know you have to play solid on the road - all 20 guys. You play a little more smart and a little more cautious.''

Washington took a 1-0 lead at 4:36 of the first period on Pivonka's goal. He tuck the puck over the blue line and beat screened goaltender Wendell Young with a slap shot along the ice.

The Captials increased their lead to 2-0 on a power-play goal by Kevin Hatcher at 7:16 of the first period. Pivonka carried the puck down the right-wing boards and passed into the slot to Hatcher, who scored on a wrist shot.

''Everybody's playing a little bit simpler on the road,'' said Pivonka. ''It's always easier on the road. We're playing pretty well. Everybody's getting into a good habit.''

Pittsburgh cut the lead to 2-1 at 11:13 of the first period on Randy Gilhen's rebound of his own shot past goaltender Don Beaupre, who had 23 saves.

''We seem to play well on the road,'' said Beaupre. ''In this division (Patrick) you can move up in the standings quickly, especially when you win on the road.''

The Capitals raised their lead to 3-1 with a short-handed goal by Kelly Miller at 6:21 of the third period. Miller's shot from about 40 feet in the slot was headed wide of the net until it was tipped in by Penguin John Cullen.

The Penguins, who are 0-5-1 in their last six home games, were coming off a 9-4 road victory over the New York Rangers Monday night.

''Maybe we should go back on the road,'' said Johnson. ''We seem to have better concentration on the road.''

In other NHL games, New Jersey thumped Vancouver 9-4, Montreal nipped Hartford 4-3, Minnesota edged Toronto 3-2, Edmonton gassed Quebec 3-2, Calgary burned the NY Rangers 4-1 and the Winnipeg Jets tied Los Angeles 3-3.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Devils 9, Canucks 4

At East Rutherford, N.J., Claude Lemieux scored three goals and added an assist and Patrik Sundstrom had two goals and two assists to lead the New Jersey Devils to a 9-4 rout of the Vancouver Canucks. The win extended New Jersey's unbeaten streak to six games (3-0-3).

Canadiens 4, Whalers 3

At Hartford, Conn., Stephane Richer scored with 4:23 remaining and rookie goaltender Jean-Claude Bergeron stopped 22 shots, leading the Montreal Canadiens to a 4-3 victory over the Whalers. Richer snapped a 3-3 deadlock when he drove to the slot and converted Brian Skrudland's centering pass. The win increased Montreal's lead over third-place Hartford to five points.

North Stars 3, Maple Leafs 2

At Toronto, Mark Tinordi scored unassisted with 4:23 remaining in the third period to snap a tie game and lift the Minnesota North Stars to a 3-2 victory over the Maple Leafs. Toronto, mired in last place in the Norris Division, is seven points behind Minnesota.

Oilers 3, Nordiques 2

At Edmonton, Alberta, Esa Tikkanen scored the winning goal in the first period and goalie Kari Takko blocked 23 shots for the Oilers. Tikkanen drilled a low shot in the short side to give Edmonton a 3-0 lead. Quebec fought back to make the game close on Joe Sakic's 16th and 17th goals of the season.

Flames 4, Rangers 1

At Calgary, Alberta, Theoren Fleury scored his first NHL hat trick to lead the Flames. Bernie Nicholls scored the lone New York goal as the Rangers suffered their fourth loss in their last five games. Mike Vernon stopped 30 shots, including all 12 in the final period to win his 12th game of the season.

Jets 3, Kings 3

At Inglewood, Calif., rookie Danton Cole poked in a rebound of his own shot with 3:06 remaining in the third period to give the Jets a 3-3 tie with the Kings. Both teams remained winless in their last five games with identical 0-2-3 records.

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(DEC. 6) UPI - The State Department says Iraq has formally accepted a proposal by President Bush to hold top-level talks as an opportunity to end the Persian Gulf crisis without armed conflict.

President Bush heads to Chile today, continuing his South American travels. Wednesday, Bush gained a solid endorsement from Argentinian President Carlos Menem for his tough stance against Iraq.

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Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has ordered a vigorous campaign against pornography, erotic videos and smut- in his words- to ''safeguard public morals.'' A commission was set up to study the experience of other nations in battling the porno- business.

The environmental group Greenpeace says a nuclear meltdown is possible in British submarines because of cracks in coolant circuits in nearly half the nuclear-powered fleet. A Ministry of Defense spokesman declined to comment on the report.

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(DEC. 6) UPI - C O R R E C T I O N

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(DEC. 6) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I has the latest news.

Secretary of State Baker says he won't negotiate or ''walk back'' from the U-N resolutions ordering Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait when he meets with Saddam Hussein later this month in Baghdad. Iraq yesterday formally accepted a U-S proposal to hold top- level talks as a chance to end the Persian Gulf crisis peacefully.

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World trade talks are teetering near collapse. A deep dispute on farm subsidies between the United States and the 12-nation European Community has brought General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, or GATT talks to an impasse. The chairman of the talks has given the E-C until noon today to come up with a new proposal on agriculture supports.

The E-C is offering to reduce farm subsidies by 30 percent. But the United States and other farm exporting countries want a 75 percent cut in agriculture supports. A grim-faced U-S Trade Representative Carla Hills said- ''We're very near the end of the road, I'm afraid.'' Hills blames the E-C for the stalemate.

The Food and Drug Administration has unveiled new guidelines for blood donations. The government dropped its ban on blood donations from Haitians and people from other areas where AIDS is common. Instead, the F-D-A says it will shift the focus of screening procedures to cover a broader range of risk factors to protect the safety of the U-S blood supply.

In Montreal, Canada, church bells will begin ringing at 5:30 p-m today, the hour a massacre began one year ago at an engineering school. 25-year-old Marc Lepine, who blamed women for his failures, gunned down 14 women at the Ecole Polytechnique school. The school will be closed today except for a morning mass at the huge Notre Dame Cathedral.

The environmental group Greenpeace says British nuclear submarines are at risk of a meltdown. Greenpeace says nearly half the fleet have cracks in coolant circuits. It says if reactors are suddenly shut down, the cracks could split without warning, allowing coolant to escape and leading to a meltdown... causing possible loss of the sub and crew and environmental contamination.

British astonomers predict that the planet Uranus may have up to 25 more moons than have been previously seen. The Voyager-2 spaceprobe produced images that added 10 icy moons to the planet's five known moons when it flew by Uranus in 1986. The scientists, analyzing data collected by Voyager, predicted the location of 25 more small moons.

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#90340u0421 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - A nursery school workers found a loaded pistol in a 3-year-old boy's coat pocket and police said he was the youngest child they have encountered carrying a gun.

Police arrested Lloyd Flowers, 27, the superintendent of the apartment building where the child lives, saying the child apparently found the gun on the seat of the man's car as he drove the boy to school.

Isolyn Hong, a child-care worker at College Community Childcare Center, said he noticed what appeared to be the butt of a gun sticking of the boy's coat

Wednesday.

She found it was a .25-caliber automatic with a bullet in the chamber and five other rounds in a six-bullet clip.

Flowers was charged with endangering the welfare of a child and possession of a dangerous weapon.

''He apparently drove the kid to school and the kid said he picked the gun up off the front seat of the car,'' police officer Scott Bloch said.

Although there have been reports of children under 10 bringing guns to school, police said they knew of no case in which a 3-year-old was carrying a pistol.

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#90340u0434 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

ROMULUS, MI (DEC. 6) UPI - The pilot of a DC-9 that strayed onto the wrong runway in dense fog at Detroit Metropolitan Airport has told government investigators he was unaware of the fatal error.

Capt. William Lovelace said he never heard an exchange between the control tower and James Schifferns, his first officer on Northwest Flight 1482, in which Schifferns said the jet may have taken a wrong turn onto the runway.

Had he known, Lovelace told investigators, he would have ''gone for the weeds '' maneuvering his DC-9 off the runway.

Eight people were killed and 24 injured Monday afternoon when the DC- 9 bound for Pittsburgh was clipped by Northwest Flight 299, a Memphis- bound Boeing 727-200 that was already lifting into takeoff on Runway 3 Center.

The latest information about the disaster came during a news briefing Wednesday night by John Lauber, head of the National Transportation Safety Board team investigating the collision.

Lauber said the 70-member NTSB team spent Wednesday conducting closed-door interviews, reviewing records and studying the wrecked airliners.

A supervisor in the control tower, who was unable to see the runways because of the fog, yelled ''Stop all aircraft! Stop all aircraft!'' but it was too late to avoid the collision, Lauber said.

Lauber said it is not clear why Lovelace, 52, was not talking to the tower himself and why he did not hear Schifferns's exchange, and whether Schifferns had time to tell him to steer off the runway.

It also is not certain that Lovelace, making his first unsupervised flight

since returning from a five-year medical leave, could have steered out of harm's way had he realized where Schifferns, 43, said the plane was.

Lauber said controllers did not order the 727-200 to abort its takeoff once they learned the DC-9 had strayed onto the active runway because they thought the larger jet already was in the air.

He also said investigators were getting ''conflicting reports on the lighting'' in use on the runways at the time of the collision.

Capt. Robert Oulelette, 42, pilot of the 727, said the center lights on Runway 3C were not on as Flight 299 took off, Lauber said. But the tower supervisor said her instruments showed lights on for all runways in use.

''We are looking into the whole issue of runway and taxiway signs and markings and lighting very extensively,'' Lauber said.

Lauber said alcohol tests on both crews were negative and that drug tests are pending.

In other developments:

-The first lawsuit as a result of the collision was filed Wednesday by Milio Rinna, a United Steelworkers District 29 health and safety official from Allen Park, Mich., who was one of the last to leave the burning DC-9. His attorney, William L. Martens, described Rinno as ''one of the heroes of this tragedy.'' Rinno, who was bound for a union meeting in Pittsburgh, suffered burns as well as injuries to his hands, head and knee.

-Officials at the Wayne County Morgue in Detroit identified the final two victims of the disaster as John David Burke, 30, of Houston, and Mauro Bottiglione, 23, of Pittsburgh. Burke was an electrical engineer for Panhandle Eastern Corp. on a business trip. Bottiglione, a native of Caracas, Venezuela, was a computer software designer for Transarc Corp. in Pittsburgh. The other six victims were identified Tuesday. They included three International Paper Co. executives returning to Memphis from a business trip and a veteran Northwest Airlines flight attendant.

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#90340u0479 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 6) UPI - The United States and Iraq will talk... President Bush goes to Chile. .. and the space shuttle astronauts deal with faulty telescopes. Those stories and more, next from U-P-I.

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Iraq says it wants to talk about the Persian Gulf crisis.

Joseph Wilson, U-S acting ambassador in Baghdad, was told that Iraq had accepted the proposal for meetings between President Bush and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Washington and Secretary of States Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad.

Under the proposal, Aziz and Bush would meet sometime after December 15th, and Baker and Saddam would talk sometime before January 15th, the U-N-imposed deadline for Iraqi troops to withdraw from Kuwait.

The State Department said that discussions between the two countries are continuing on the dates and arrangements for the meetings, which will not involve representatives from any other nations.

In testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee yesterday, Baker refused to disclose what he will say to Saddam. But he made it clear that he will not negotiate or ''walk back from the U-N Security Council resolutions.''

Baker said he will insist that Iraq observe the U-N resolutions, which demand the complete and unconditional withdrawl of Iraqi troops, the release of all foreign hostages and the restoration of the exiled Kuwaiti government.

In Buenos Aires, President Bush said he was ''not optimistic'' about chances for a withdrawal of occupation forces from the oil kingdom.

C-I-A Director William Webster told the House Armed Services Committee yesterday that there is no guarantee that economic sanctions will force Saddam Hussein to get out of Kuwait or cause enough domestic unrest to topple his dictatorship.

Webster said without any conflict, Iraqi ground troops can nearly maintain their current levels of readiness for as long as nine months, and the air forces can keep up current levels of readiness for three to six months.

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#90340u0487 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 6) UPI - President Bush travels to Chile today on the fourth leg of his six- day South American trip.

Yesterday, the president was in Argentina... the site earlier in the week of a brief but UNsuccessful military rebellion. He gave Argentine President Carlos Menem full support for his use of force to quash the uprising.

In return, Menem endorsed Bush's tough stance against Iraq.

NOT only has Menem supported the U-N sanctions against Iraq with a military presence in the gulf region, but he also has resumed relations with Britain.

Argentina and Britain severed ties during the 1982 Falklands War.

Earlier yesterday, Bush addressed a joint session of Argentina's Congress. But his appearance was slightly disrupted by a brawl between two congressmen. A smiling Bush quipped- ''DON'T worry. I feel at home here.''

The crew of the space shuttle Columbia sailed toward the halfway point of an astronomy mission today, bothered by a troublesome telescope mount in their quest to probe the secrets of a violent universe.

The astronauts continue to lose time as they wrestle with a balky automatic telescope pointing device.

The seven-man crew has been manually operating the shuttle observatory while trying to fix the problem once and for all. But getting the pointing system to work has sharply cut down the number of celestial targets being observed.

Despite the problems, mission scientist Ted Gull says he's optimistic the glitches ultimately would be resolved. The goal of the long-delayed 10-day flight is to study a variety of violent stars, explosive galaxies, mysterious quasars and other high-energy targets in hopes of revolutionizing humanity's knowledge of the universe.

Otherwise, the busy flight has proceeded smoothly. Next Monday, Secretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze are expected to chat with commander Vance Brand from mission control in Houston. Brand first flew in space in 1975 as a member of the joint U-S-Soviet Apollo-Soyuz mission.

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#90340u0496 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 6) UPI - Soviet President Gorbachev has signed a decree against pornography, erotic videos and smut to ''safeguard public morals.''

Gorbachev's anti-smut decree attacked the rise in erotica now increasingly available on late-night Soviet television and in publications NO longer subject to censorship.

The decree issued yesterday said- ''Taking into consideration the anxiety of the Soviet people about the spread of different kinds of pornography, pseudo-medical literature, erotic videos and the like ... urgent measures should be worked out to safeguard public morals.''

Two days ago, the Kremlin leader had expressed horror at the Supreme Soviet on what was now on television.

In what appears a headlong rush to catch up with the rest of the world after decades of official prudery, the Soviet Union is undergoing a belated sexual

revolution.

Under the more permissive atmosphere of Gorbachev's perestroika, video parlors have mushroomed. Sex newspapers can be openly purchased near Moscow's Pushkin Square and girlie calendars are peddled at subway station entrances.

The decree set up a commission headed by the Culture Ministry to study the experience of other nations in battling the porno-business.

Panamanian President Guillermo Endara says a failed uprising by police officers was a triumph of democracy over militarism.

But Endara says the incident showed the vulnerability of his government.

He says one Panamanian was killed and one injured when hundreds of U- S troops chased down and arrested policemen who had taken control of police headquarters early yesterday morning.

One Panamanian television station said two people had been killed but the report could not be independently confirmed.

Endara told a news conference after rebel leader Eduardo Herrera Hassan was detained, ''One more time, democracy triumphs.''

Herrera, a former police chief, was fired and jailed in October for allegedly plotting against the government. He escaped Tuesday in a daring helicopter rescue and took control of police headquarters with about 100 rebel police.

The U-S Southern Command says about 500 U-S troops based in Panama responded to Endara's call for help and surrounded police headquarters.

It was the largest movement of U-S troops outside their bases since the December 20th, 1989, invasion that ousted dictator Manuel Noriega .

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#90340u0570 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 6) UPI - NATO defense ministers opened a two-day meeting in Brussels today. Defense Secretary Cheney is expected to ask for additional naval and airlift support for U-S forces in the Persian Gulf. The Persian Gulf crisis is NOT on the official agenda, but is expected to be the focus of attention.

World trade talks in Brussels were near collapse last night because of a deep farm subsidies dispute between the United States and the 12- nation European Community. The chairman of the talks told the E-C to come up with a new proposal on agriculture supports by noon today.

A survivor of the fiery crash between two Northwest Airlines planes on a foggy

runway at Detroit Metropolitan Airport Monday filed the first lawsuit yesterday in the accident that killed eight passengers and injured dozens.

Authorities in Bolivia say rebels fatally shot kidnapped businessman Jorge Lonsdale, president of a Coca Cola bottling company, when police forces broke into the hidout. Police killed three of the kidnappers in a 40-minute shootout.

Officials in Alaska say that because of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, Alaska may reap a one-BILLION dollar windfall in surplus revenues, and even more if war breaks out. 85 percent of all Alaska's revenues come from oil.

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#90340u0588 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 6) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

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Little Rock pc	55	35	....
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cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sl-sleet
sm-smoke

sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90340u0595 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 6) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange rallied Thursday, spurred by Iraq's accepting a U.S. offer for high-level talks on the Persian Gulf crisis.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which gained 331.11 points Wednesday, added another 359.38 points to 22,553.10.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares, which addded 16.48 points Wednesday, climbed 28.67 points to 1, 667.80.

Advances outnumbered declines 730 to 236, while 128 issues remained unchanged.

An estimated 330 million share changed hands, compared with 367 million shares Wednesday.

Analysts said the market was upbeat after an announcement from the U. S. State Department that Iraq has formally accepted a proposal by President Bush to hold top-level talks as an opportunity to end the Persian Gulf crisis without armed conflict.

The news spread optimism over the market, lifting the Nikkei Average over 300 points in early trading.

After a temporary downturn, the indicator climbed again to reach the day's high of 22,609.13 shortly before the close of trading.

''The market was mostly supported by program buying,'' mainly arbitrage-related buying, said Shigeru Akiba, chief trader at UBS Phillips and Drew International.

Akiba added, ''the supply and demand situation is still rather bad.''

The liquidation of margin contracts also weighed on the market, but investors were already returning to the domestic demand-backed stocks.

''We are seeing some foreign pension fund and trust fund investors that have been away lately,'' a trader at Daiwa Securities Co. said.

Domestic demand-related stocks in the steel, shipbuilding and railway sectors were selected for buying.

Electricals such as TDK and Pioneer Electronic also gained along with nonferrous metals, constructions, nonlife insurances and paper-pulps.

Speculative stocks such as Honshu Paper and Kyosan Electric Manufacturing eased slightly.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks prices jumped for the second consecutive day in heavy trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange amid year-end buying and solid gains in New York and Tokyo.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which climbed 45.39 points Wednesday, surged 60.56, or 1.98 percent, to 3126.79.

Among the narrower indexes, financials gained 46.00 points, utilities added 92.89, properties jumped 89.23 and industrials rose 45.51 points.

Volume was the heaviest in recent weeks at an estimated 1.17 billion shares, up from Wednesday's strong turnover of 943 million.

Analysts said action was dominated by overseas buyers, who snapped up blue chips to bolster their portfolios as the end of the year approached.

''Many fund managers are too cash-tight right now and if the market keeps rising they will be in trouble if they don't increase their holdings,'' said Lino Delgado of ChinTung Investments.

In Singapore, stocks climbed across-the-board in active trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange amid optimism the Gulf crisis would be solved peacefully.

The closely watched Straits Times Industrial Index, which added 2.88 points Wednesday, jumped 28.74 points to 1,152.96.

The broader-based All Singapore Index, which added 0.90 points Wednesday, climbed 7.38 points to 319.92.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 62.9 million shares, compared with 45 million shares Wednesday.

The rallies on Wall Street and Tokyo also bolstered investor's confidence, analysts said.

On the trading floor, Singapore Airlines foreign shares paced the advancing issues followed by SPK Sentosa and Singapore Airlines domestic shares.

Great Eastern Life Insurance led the declining stocks followed by Perlis Plant and Berjuntai Tin.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stock prices surged 4.3 percent in moderate trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange, reflecting perceptions of easing tensions in the Gulf and in domestic politics.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which slipped 1.97 points Tuesday, rose 25.17 points to 607.15.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 80 million Thai shares, compared with 62 million shares Tuesday.

Markets in Thailand were closed Wednesday for the king's birthday holiday.

Advances topped declines 159 to 16 with the best-performing sectors in finance commerce and construction issues.

''The market was busy with purchasers and sellers from the opening bell,'' said a broker from Phatra Thanakit Co., Ltd.

In Australia, stock prices closed slightly higher in nervous trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which gained 5.0 points Wednesday, added another 1.3 point to 1,323.3.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 132 million shares, compared with 70 million shares Wednesday.

Analysts noted the volume was boosted by a 75-million share block of Westpac.

The biggest development was the arrest businessman of Alan Bond on charges of violating securities regulations. The entrepreneur allegedly concealed facts during his failed 1987 attempt to rescue the Rothwell's Merchant Bank.

Bond was released on $100,000 bail and is due to appear in Perth's Central Law Courts Friday.

The sale of Adsteam's 6.5 percent stake in Westpac dominated an otherwise lackluster day, analysts said.

The block changed hands at $3.80 a share, 12 cents below the price Adsteam had wanted for the parcel.

Westpac closed 14 cents lower at $3.87, while Adsteam fell 1 cent to 50 cents a share.

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#90340u0600 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (DEC. 6) UPI - China is seeking to deflect mounting overseas allegations that it has shrewdly capitalized on the Persian Gulf crisis to begin prosecuting key Tiananmen Spring activists for political crimes.

A government spokesman Thursday attacked as ''mudslinging and rumormongering'' overseas accusations that Chinese hard-liners have taken political strength from China's improving relations with the West to intensify an internal political crackdown.

China's support of international efforts to isolate Iraq has been rewarded by a symbolic restoration of most Sino-Western ties severed following Beijing's brutal 1989 crackdown on pro-democracy dissent.

''I have come across some reports charging that China is taking advantage of the relaxation of relations with Western countries to penalize the so-called dissidents,'' Foreign Ministry spokesman Li Zhaoxing said at a weekly news briefing.

''This does not square with the facts at all, and indeed is an act of rumormongering and mudslinging with ulterior motives,'' Li said.

''Their intent is to unleash a new anti-Chinese upsurge and undermine China's improving relations with other countries.''

Li, in a rare comment on China's internal political affairs, denounced apparently unfounded foreign press reports that one or more veteran democracy advocates had been sentenced to death for sedition.

''I have learned from the relevant Beijing authorities that the prosecutorial departments have not yet tried these people,'' Li said. ''Trials have not begun, to say nothing of the passing of sentences.''

Since mid-November and without public notice, China has been lodging charges of counterrevolution against a small group of jailed activists alleged to have been core agitators of the massive 1989 protests that were crushed by the Chinese army on June 4.

Two alleged strategists - Economics Weekly editor Wang Juntao, 32, and economist Chen Ziming, 38 - also face the graver charge of intent to overthrow the communist government, which in extreme cases is punishable by death.

China, politically isolated since the army-led massacre that crushed the nationwide pro-democracy movement, recently has earned high marks in the West for its support for U.S.-led moves in the United Nations to force Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

The European Community has lifted most of the economic sanctions it imposed

after the crackdown and President Bush last month rewarded China's cooperation by meeting with its foreign minister, a clear breach of curbs on high-level exchanges.

But China's quiet prosecution of Tiananmen Spring activists has prompted broad concerns that it is capitalizing on its diplomatic victories to pursue a harsh crackdown on domestic dissent.

''Maybe China feels it went as far as it could with the outside world and now it's time to do some internal housekeeping,'' said a Western diplomat in Beijing. ''China seems to think the world and the U.S. are so focused on Iraq that it can push the limits on human rights now.

''They think people are quickly distracted, but I think they're very mistaken. Congress cares very much about human rights and the MFN issue is not dead,'' he added. China has been lobbying for an unconditional extension of its coveted most-favored-nation, or MFN, trading status with the United States, which is subject to annual renewal.

The U.S. Congress extended China's MFN benefits last year, but only after an emotional debate over China's human rights record. Lawmakers dissatisfied with China's behavior since the crackdown have vowed to renew the debate next year.

The Foreign Ministry spokesman dismissed suggestions that China's judicial system is affected by external politics, saying the dissidents' cases would be handled according to Chinese laws.

''Some reports have been linking these judicial matters with China's foreign policy,'' Li said. ''It is my duty to say that this is of course not the case.''

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#90340u0603 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (DEC. 6) UPI - Stock prices were sharply higher at midday Thursday on the London International Stock Exchange, boosted by news Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has called for the release of all foreign hostages being held since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which added 6.3 points Wednesday, was ahead 28.7 points to 2,181.3. The narrower top 30 industrial average was up 32.0 points to 1,721.6.

Volume amounted to around 299 million shares compared with 348 million shares traded during the same period Wednesday.

Analysts said stocks surged on news Saddam had asked Iraq's National Assembly to release all foreign hostages held in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

The surprise move, announced by the official Iraqi News Agency, came after Saddam had earlier promised to free all foreign hostages in batches between Christmas Day and March 25, provided he was not attacked in the meantime.

The Iraqi move came days before Iraq andGulf standoff.

The U.N. Security Council had authorized the possible use of military force against Iraq if it does not withdraw from Kuwait by Jan. 15.

Meanwhile, on the local economic front, Britain's Confederation of British Industry reported annual growth in retail sales volume came ''to a virtual standstill'' in November, while sales in the wholesaling and motor trades sectors continued lower compared to year-ago levels.

In its latest monthly survey, the CBI also noted that British retailers, wholesalers and motor traders ''expect their overall business situation to deteriorate over the next three months'' and retailers reported the ''first fall in confidence since last November.''

Analysts noted the CBI report helped to keep trading activity in check.

Among the most widely traded international stocks, Imperial Chemical Industries gained 29 cents to $17.16, Barclays Bank PLC gained 10 cents to $6.82 and British Petroleum fell 14 cents to $6.31.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices were sharply higher in active trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 24.62 points Wednesday, was ahead 29.04 points to 1,500.00 shortly before the close.

Traders said the Iraqi news helped to boost prices higher across the board.

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#90340u0607 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (DEC. 6) UPI - Israel played down reports Thursday of a U.S. proposal on an international peace conference, and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir confidently stated that Washington was well aware of his government's opposition to such talks.

Israeli sources said they were aware of a draft resolution at the United Nations involving the need to consider an international conference at some future date and without any link to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Before his departure Thursday to London and Washington for talks with British Prime Minister John Major, President Bush and other officials, Shamir said he

was not aware of such a proposal involving an international peace conference.

''I know that the United States is not supportive of this idea of an international conference and the United States knows very well our position about this,'' Shamir said.

Shamir has long opposed an international conference and has called instead for direct negotiations between Israel and its Arab neighbors.

In May 1989, Shamir unveiled Israel's peace initiative, the centerpiece of which is elections in the occupied territories for Palestinians to select representatives to talk with Israel.

Disagreement over whether East Jerusalem Palestinians and non- residents of the territories would participate in an Israeli-Palestinian dialogue cut short the process.

''I will express my opinions and I have a few ideas of how to start and how to continue (the peace process),'' Shamir said. ''I hope that after our talks we will arrive at a common ground about our plans for the near future.''

Uzi Landau, a member of the Knesset, Israel's parliament, and of Shamir's right-wing Likud Party, said the reports of a U.S. proposal involving a peace conference should be viewed in the context of ''the many conflicting messages coming out of Washington'' during the past few months.

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#90340u0610 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

BEAUMONT, TX (DEC. 6) UPI - University of Wisconsin track star Suzy Favor, who won nine national NCAA championships, is the first recipient of the Babe Zaharias Female Athlete of the Year Award.

Favor, a Stevens Point, Wis., native, received the award Wednesday night in a ceremony at the Beaumont Civic Center attended by a sellout crowd of 750 people. The award pays tribute to Mildred ''Babe'' Didrikson Zaharias, an Olympic medalist in track and a pro golfer considered to be the greatest female athlete of all time.

The award will be presented annually to the nation's outstanding female amateur athlete and is sponsored by the Babe Zaharias Foundation, Inc. It is meant to be a companion to honors such as the Heisman Tropy and Sullivan awards for top male athletes.

Olympic gymnast Mary Lou Retton spoke at the ceremony and Favor agreed with her the award to honor female athletes was long overdue.

''I started hearing about Babe Zaharias from my coach when I was young,'' said

Favor. ''It's great to have people like her as an inspiration to young athletes like me.

''We need that, and we need things like this award, especially in women's athletics. Like Mary Lou said, 'It's time, it's due, it's overdue.'''

Runners-up for the award were swimmer Leigh Ann Fetter of Louisville, Ky., andthe University of Texas; track and field star Carlette Guidry of Houston andthe University of Texas; and track and field star Vicki Huber of Bryn Mawr, Pa., and Villanova University.

Favor set records in the 1990 national outdoor meet in the 1,500- meter and 800-meter races in addition to winning nine national NCAA titles in track.

''This is such a wonderful honor,'' she said. ''I am so happy to be able to share it with these three. It's not just one who is the champion. It's all four of us. This is such a wonderful way to end my college career.''

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#90340u0625 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (DEC. 6) UPI - Negotiators deciding the future of key U.S. military bases in the country were unable Thursday to break a deadlock on Philippine demands for criminal jurisdiction over the facilities, officials said.

On the second day of the talks, the two sides tackled the so-called Status of Forces issues, covering such things as criminal jurisdiction, customs, taxation and related matters, officials said.

Technical-level panels discussing the subjects since Nov. 29 reported Thursday on the impasse during the formal meeting between the two sides headed by Philippine Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus and special U.S. negotiator Richard Armitage.

A scheduled briefing later Thursday was called off, but Health Secretary Alfredo Bengzon, deputy chief of the Philippine panel, told reporters after meeting with President Corazon Aquino ''some common ground'' had been reached on several issues.

Bengzon said he did not think an agreement would be wrapped up when the third round of talks closes on Friday. He said he expected the discussions would be continued in January.

The Philippines hosts six U.S. facilities, including the sprawling Clark Air Base and Subic Bay Naval Complex, under a 1947 treaty that expires Sept. 16, 1991.

Clark and Subic are the oldest and largest U.S. facilities overseas and are manned by some 14,500 troops.

Washington, which provides the Philippines $481 million in aid annually for use of the facilities, wants to phase down the U.S. presence in 10 to 12 years and keep a limited force after that period.

The Philippines wants to take control of Clark and four smaller facilities by next year and favors a five- to seven-year extension of the Subic lease.

In asserting jurisdiction over crimes in the bases, Bengzon said the Philippines wants ''to make sure our laws apply fully'' and said jurisdiction amounted to a sovereignty issue.

''The United States recognizes and accepts that, but on the other hand, the United States also cites or draws from its experience in other agreements with other countries and tends to use these experiences as reference points or standards,'' Bengzon said.

Criminal jurisdiction has been a sensitive issue between the two countries that has not been completely resolved. Nationalists point out Americans accused of crimes usually were shipped out of the country before they could be tried.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Dec. 5: Purchases of 384, 738 shares and sales of 608,109 shares including 15,411 shares sold short.

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(DEC. 6) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

. City	Local Time	Temp F	C
Aberden cy	1pm	47	08
Amstrdm c	1pm	45	07
Ankara pc	3pm	48	09
Athens c	2pm	66	18
Aucklnd cy	12m	61	16
Beijing c	8pm	38	03
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin c	1pm	34	01
Bonn c	1pm	37	02

Brussels cy	1pm	33	00
Cairo c	2pm	72	22
Casblnc cy	12n	63	17
Copnhgn cy	1pm	39	04
Dakar c	12n	82	28
Dublin cy	1pm	47	08
Geneva c	1pm	35	02
Helsinki pc	2pm	24	-04
Hong Kng c	8pm	66	18
Jerusalm pc	2pm	63	17
Karachi m	5pm	mm	mm
Lisbon cy	1pm	54	12
London fy	1pm	33	00
Madrid c	1pm	31	00
Malta cy	1pm	56	13
Manila c	8pm	83	28
Moscow cy	3pm	34	01
Nairobi cy	3pm	75	24
Nassau pc	7am	68	20
New Delhi c	6pm	67	19
Nice c	1pm	54	12
Oslo cy	1pm	31	00
Paris c	1pm	39	04
Pretoria pc	2pm	78	25
Riyadh c	3pm	79	26
Rome c	1pm	49	09
Seoul c	9pm	51	10
Sofia s	2pm	32	0
Stockhlm cy	1pm	36	02
Sydney cy	10pm	75	24
Taipei c	8pm	68	20
Tokyo c	9pm	51	10
Tunis pc	1pm	55	13
Vienna c	1pm	36	02
Warsaw c	1pm	35	01

Latin America

Buens Ars pc	9am	67	19
Caracas pc	8am	67	19
Havana cy	7am	72	22
Lima m	7am	mm	mm
Mexic Cty m	6am	mm	mm
Rio de Janr c	9am	80	26
Santiago cy	8am	55	13

Canada

Calgary cy		35	01
Edmonton cy		35	01

Montreal cy	32	00
Ottawa s	21	-05
Regina cy	39	04
Toronto cy	31	-00
Vancouver dr	45	07
Winnipeg c	36	02

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90340u0650 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

BOLOGNA, ITALY (DEC. 6) UPI - A small Italian air force training plane abandoned by its pilot crashed in flames into a school on the outskirts of Bologna Thursday, killing 12 people and injuring at least 62 others, police said.

The single-seat plane, on a training flight from an air base near Verona, struck the rear of a two-story building of the Gaetano Salvemini Technical Institute while 200 students between the ages of 14 and 18 were in classes.

''I was in class when I saw from the window that this plane coming straight for us near the ground,'' one of the uninjured pupils told reporters. ''I just had time to shout, 'What is that man doing? He must be mad.'''

The Italian-made Macchi MB 326 aircraft smashed through the school wall into an empty room, and then through another wall into a room where students were attending class. Rescuers found a young girl, almost unhurt, under one of the smashed aircraft's wings.

Bologna magistrate Mario Forte said 12 people were killed in the accident.

Air force officials said the pilot, who was flying over Bologna at 10:31 a.m., radioed that the planes engine was on fire and its controls were not working. The pilot ejected from the plane after apparently attempting to steer it toward open country outside Bologna, the officials said.

Witnesses on the ground told police the plane's fuselage was engulfed in flames.

The aircraft crashed into the school and set the building on fire, witnesses said. Firemen quickly extinguished the flames but most of the 62 injured suffered burns or smoke inhalation, police said.

The injured were rushed by helicopter and ambulance to two hospitals in Bologna.

About 100 of the students were trapped with their teachers in the upper rooms of the building but were rescued. Several students were injured when they panicked and jumped to the ground from windows, witnesses and officials said.

Pilot Bruno Viviani, 24, suffered three fractured vertebrae, but doctors said his condition was not serious. He was taken to the same Maggiore hospital where some of the most seriously injured from the school were being treated.

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#90340u0669 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 6) UPI - NATO defense ministers gathered today in Brussels and will hear an appeal from Defense Secretary Cheney for additional sealift and airlift support for U-S troops in the Gulf. Cheney also planned to request what a senior American official at NATO called ''other useful things,'' ranging from ''chemical-warfare protection suits to transformers.''

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has agreed to meet with Secretary of State Baker in Baghdad later this month and Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz will go to Washington for talks with President Bush. The meetings are part of a proposal by Bush to avoid a military confrontation after the U-N deadline of January 15th for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

The Japanese Kyodo News Agency in Tokyo reports that 36 of the 141 Japanese nationals held in Iraq will be permitted to leave today with family members visiting Baghdad. In addition, the Australian Foreign Ministry announced that seven Australian hostages were to fly to Amman today, leaving 22 still held in Iraq. The first of an estimated three- thousand Soviet hostages held by Iraq began to return home yesterday.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir left today on a nine-day visit to Britain and the United States. Before leaving, Shamir said he had a ''few ideas'' on how to resurrect the Middle East peace process, but repeated his opposition to an international conference. Shamir will meet British Prime Minister John Major and President Bush during his trip.

Trade ministers from 107 nations meeting in Brussels are trying to avert

collapse of world trade talks threatened by a bitter dispute over farm subsidies between the United States and the European Community. Many officials predicted that the talks could either disband in failure, or adjourn until January in hopes of a calmer atmosphere. A four-year round of talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade was slated to end on Friday.

Talks on the future of key U-S facilities in the Philippines continued today in Manila. Negotiators attempted to break a deadlock on Philippine demands to assume criminal jurisdiction over Americans at the facilities. A Philippine official says he does NOT think an agreement will be wrapped up when the third round of talks closes tomorrow. He said he expects the discussions would be continued in January.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $367.70, silver base of $4.14 and platinum price of $422.40:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$382.90	392.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	196.50	201.60
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	101.00	103.50
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	41.70	42.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	382.90	392.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	196.50	201.60
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	101.50	104.00
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	41.70	42.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	389.10	399.20
China Panda .50 troy oz.	200.50	205.70
China Panda .25 troy oz.	103.60	106.70
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	44.80	46.10
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	26.70	27.50
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	382.00	393.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	195.10	200.80
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	98.70	101.50
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	42.00	43.70
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	381.60	391.50
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	197.70	202.70
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	101.50	104.00
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	43.20	44.30
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	382.00	391.30
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	196.40	201.20
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	84.40	96.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	43.70	44.70

Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.40	23.80
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.55	$5.58
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,180	$3,200
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	443.00	447.00
Isle of Man Noble	440.00	444.00
Canada Maple Leaf	451.00	455.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90340u0694 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 6) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's proposal to free his hostages elated yellow-ribbon families around the United States Thursday but they maintained a degree of cautious skepticism.

''I hope it means that this is a solid indication that this thing can be worked out,'' said Ingrid Pawlowski, who had to leave her husband, Paul, hiding in Kuwait when she and their 7-year-old daughter fled the country in September. ''I'm afraid to get too excited until it's really the real thing. I'm delighted if it's true but I've learned that it isn't over until it's over.''

Saddam, facing growing international pressure and talk of war from the White House, made his surprise announcement as representatives of Coming Home, a Champaign, Ill.-based group, were on a mission to Baghdad to get relatives freed.

''I can't tell you how elated they are not only that their loved ones are coming out but that everyone's coming out,'' Michael Saba, a Coming Home organizer, said from home in Champaign. ''It's just rejoice, rejoice.''

Saddam had foreigners rounded up in Kuwait and Iraq after he invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 and had been using them as human shields at strategic installations. The standoff prompted Americans to tie yellow ribbons around around trees, a reminder of the hostages that originated during the Iranian hostage crisis of 1980-1981.

Prior to Saddam's announcement, hostages had been released in piecemeal fashion to relatives who flew to Baghdad.

John Stevenson was released just after Thanksgiving after his twin sister, Mary Trundy of Brockton, Mass., went to Iraq on his behalf.

''It's wonderful news this morning, really,'' he said of Saddam's proposal. ''It's the best news we could have hoped for today.''

Stevenson said that before his release, ''I kept running into Iraqi officials at the strategic sites where I was ... and they used to tell me, 'We don't want you here. It's just a matter of time. You're going to be home very very soon.' I was never so confident as I am this morning, of course, with this news.''

Majorie Walterscheid of Jacksboro, Texas, said she received a telephone call Thursday from her hostage husband, Rainard, an oil worker held in Iraq.

''They had heard it on the news (on television),'' she said. ''They have not been told personally but they are hoping to come home soon. I just hope nothing changes before he gets out of there. He says he is really tired and wants to come home and go back to work. I was hoping we would take some time off.''

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#90340u0718 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker characterized Saddam Hussein's announcement Thursday that he will free all foreign hostages being held in Iraq a ''welcome and significant development,'' but he cautioned he wants to ''see it actually happen.''

Baker, in his second appearance on Capitol Hill to lay out the Bush administration's Persian Gulf policy, read an opening statement to the House Foreign Affairs Committee that was nearly identical to one he read before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee Wednesday.

When he concluded, Baker responded to news out of Baghdad that Saddam called on Iraq's Parliament to allow all foreign nationals the right to leave Iraq if they wished.

''First of all, I think that we should acknowledge that this is a welcome and significant development,'' Baker said. ''But we do want to see it actually happen. As far as Americans are concerned, we are prepared to implement it immediately.

''Secondly, let me say that it does not lessen nor should it lessen our determination that Iraq's aggression against Kuwait must be reversed by full

implementation of all of the Security Council resolutions,'' Baker added. ''And, third ... I think that this is a sign that the strategy of diplomatic and military pressure is working. It seems to me no coincidence that this announcement comes just one week ... after the international community has authorized the use of force.''

On Wednesday, Baker said, ''We have to face the fact that, four months into this conflict, none of our efforts have yet produced any sign of change in Saddam Hussein.

''He shows no signs of complying with any of the United Nations Security Council resolutions,'' said Baker of the 12 resolutions that demand Iraq withdraw its troops, release foreign hostages and restore the exiled Kuwaiti government. The final resolution, passed last week, authorizes the use of force if Iraqi troops are not out of Kuwait by Jan. 15.

''No one wants war,'' said Baker, but argued that relying on sanctions alone merely encourages Saddam to try to break the international coalition aligned against him.

The debate in the Senate committee broke on party lines, with Democrats demanding the administration give sanctions more time and Republicans saying that the public is squarely behind Bush.

''Eventually, the Congress will catch up with the American people,'' said Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind. Lugar cited opinion polls showing 63 percent of those Americans surveyed favor a military solution if Iraq does not withdraw.

Sen. Joseph Biden told Baker that the administration ''appears to be shifting to a new policy based on the premise that sanctions will not work and that an early resort to offensive action may be necessary.''

Baker did not dispute that assessment, but in an earlier statement to the committee said:

''As we wait, Saddam will continue torturing Kuwait and continue killing it as a nation. As we wait he will continue manipulating hostages attempting to break the coalition. As we wait he will continue to fortify Kuwait, he will continue to build chemical and biological weapons and will continue his efforts to acquire a nuclear weapons capability.''

Following Baker's testimony, the State Department announced that Iraq had formally accepted Bush's proposal for direct talks.

Under the proposal, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz will meet with Bush in Washington after Dec. 15 and Baker will meet with Saddam in Baghdad sometime after that, but before Jan. 15.

Baker promised that he would not negotiate, particularly on the subject of Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, an issue Iraq has hinted as a key to any negotiated settlement.

''This is not the beginning of a negotiation on subjects unrelated to Iraq's brutal occupation of Kuwait,'' said Baker. ''I will not be neogtiating the Palestinian question or the civil war in Lebanon.''

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MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 6) UPI - The Minnesota Timberwolves said Thursday that Tim Leiweke, the NBA club's executive vice president of marketing and sales, has signed a two-year contract extension.

Terms of the contract were not revealed.

Leiweke is a 33-year-old native of St. Louis. He came to the Timberwolves from the Kansas City Comets of the Major Indoor Soccer League. He was promoted to the position of executive vice president Sept. 1.

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#90340u0764 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 6) UPI - Iraq's official news agency says that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has called on the speaker and members of Iraq's parliament to allow all foreign nationals the right to leave Iraq if they wished.

The Persian Gulf crisis is NOT on the agenda of two-day NATO talks that opened today in Brussels, but it is certain to be discussed. Defense Secretary Cheney will ask for additional naval and airlift support for U-S forces in the Gulf.

President Bush today will add Chile to the list of South American nations he has visited this week. Yesterday, Bush addressed a joint session of Argentina's Congress. He flies to Santiago this morning.

The B-B-C says the United States has proposed that the United Nations Security Council should consider supporting setting up a Middle East peace conference. The Soviet news agency Tass also said that the United States is willing to accept the call for a conference.

An Indonesian minister said today in Brussels that all countries would suffer if the Uruguay Round talks fail. The world trade talks are near collapse over the dispute on farm subsidies between the United States and the 12-nation European Community.

A judge in New York yesterday set bail at 300-thousand dollars for the accused assassin of Rabbi Meir Kahane. The bail brought angry shouts from Kahane

followers. Kahane was shot and killed November 5th in a midtown Manhattan hotel.

Officials say government troops killed seven communist guerrillas in a gun battle at a rubber plantation in the southern Philippines. NO casualties were reported on the government side.

Researchers at the University Medical Center in Tucson, Arizona, say doctors who have their own X-ray and ultrasound devices conduct far more imaging tests on patients and charge more for them than physicians who refer the work to radiologists.

Authorities say say nine Impressionist paintings worth about 20 Million dollars were recovered by police on the Mediterranean Island of Corsica. The paintings, including Claude Monet's ''Impression: Sunrise,'' were stolen from a Paris museum in broad daylight five years ago.

Elizabeth Taylor and her former boyfriend Henry Wynberg are battling in a Los Angeles court for Millions of dollars in profits from the highly successful perfume ''Passion.'' Wynberg says he developed the floral fragrance and is entitled to half the profits.

A National Research Council committee says that modern thieves can steal more with a computer than with a gun. The committee said America's ''luck'' in avoiding a major computer disaster will soon run out unless security is tightened.

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#90340u0782 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

SANTIAGO (DEC. 6) UPI - President Bush lauded Thursday Chile's recent return to democracy, yet at the same time he praised the economic policies of the man who until recently ruled the country with an iron fist.

Bush, on the fourth stop of his five-nation South American tour, praising Chile's return to democracy on March 11, said in remarks at Santiago airport that a ''democratic renaissance is under way in Latin America.

In the same breath he praised the economic policies of ex-President Augusto Pinochet, who continues to hold the post of army commander, saying, ''Nowhere has the power of free markets gone further and faster than in Chile.''

Pinochet, as army chief, shook hands with Bush and exchanged brief words and smiles in the formal arrival greeting by him and other military commanders and members of the cabinet assembled at Santiago's international airport.

Chile's incumbent President Patricio Aylwin delivered the welcoming remarks, saying that Chile was ''unwavering in its love of liberty and has undertaken

beautiful battles to achieve it.''

Aylwin, 72, a Christian Democrat, has not basically changed the free- market economic policies of Pinochet, who ruled as virtual dictator from 1973 to March 11 of this year, when he stepped down to allow an elected civilian successor.

Chile's powerful Communist Party has repudiated Bush's visit, but it has not ordered its rank and file to take steps to disrupt it, according to political sources.

Radical Marxist splinter groups mobilized hundreds of demonstrators in different sectors of Santiago Wednesday, burning the American flag and throwing stones at police before they were dispersed by water cannon, tear gas and clubs.

Police said a score of the demonstrators were arrested.

A half hour before Bush's arrival a bomb exploded in a McDonalds restaurant in the elegant Las Conde neighborhood, blowing out the windows but causing no injuries, police said.

Police reported five other bombings during the night in addition to a noise bomb that exploded late Wednesday in a park near the American consulate.

A device that looked like a rocket was examined by police Wednesday near the consulate, but it turned out to be a fake.

Thousands of spectators lined the motorcade route behind roped off streets from the airport to Aylwin's modest, two-story home, where the two leaders met in a working luncheon.

Some onlookers heckled Bush, while others displayed obscene hand gestures.

Bush, outwardly unperturbed, walked across the street from the president's residence to greet well-wishers.

Security was tight as always. But this time security agents also took the extra precaution of advising members of the Bush entourage to be on guard because of recent terrorist attacks.

Before Bush's arrival, the U.S. government in recent days announced that it had given administrative, though not final, approval to the lifting of trade sanctions against Chile and the lifting of restrictions on arms sales, which were cut off in 1976 when the former Chile defense minister, Orlando Letelier, was assassinated in Washington.

A Washington court is demanding the extradition of two senior ex- secret

police officials who served under Pinochet and are prime suspects in the Letelier case, but up to now the Chilean government and court system have denied handing the two men over.

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#90340u0788 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 70.00-72.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 116.63-120.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 37.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $192.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $425.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $430.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 277.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(DEC. 6) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Fieldscrest Cannon				
Increased				
Mitchell Energy & Dev	Q	.10	12-28	12-20
TCA Cable TV	Q	.07	1-23	1-9
Usual				
Amerada Hess Corp	Q	.15	12-31	12-17
Apache Corp	Q	.07	1-31	12-31
Berkshire Gas Co	Q	.32	1-15	12-31
Devcon Intl	Q	.05	1-18	12-21
Florida Pub Util	Q	.25	1-2	12-14
Helmerich & Payne	Q	.11 1/2	3-1	2-15
LG&E Energy Corp	Q	.71	1-15	12-31
Times Mirror	Q	.27	3-10	2-22
Trans-Lux	Q	.03	1-10	12-20
Yankee Energy Sys	Q	.38	12-28	12-14

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-annual

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#90340u0828 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled a seasonally adjusted 435,000 for the week ending Nov. 24, a decrease of 17,000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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#90340u0839 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 6) UPI - There's hope this morning that foreign nationals being held in Iraq as human shields may be home for Christmas. Iraq's news agency says President Saddam Hussein has asked the Speaker of the Iraqi National Assembly to allow all foreign nationals held in the country to be released. Baghdad Radio said Saddam asked for the release of all hostages after an appeal from his few Arab supporters and Democratic congressmen in the United States.

Police in Italy say a small Italian Air Force training aircraft crashed in flames into a school on the outskirts of Bologna today, killing 12 people and injuring around 40 others. Police say the pilot reported that his engine was on fire, the parachuted from the plane. Witnesses said the plane crashed in flames and set fire to the school building.

The pilot of the DC-9 that was hit by another jet at Detroit Metropolitan Airport on Monday has told government investigators he was UNaware that his plane had strayed onto the wrong runway. John Lauber of the National Transportation Safety Board says Captain William Lovelace told investigators he never heard an exchange between the Metro tower and the flight's first officer. Lovelace said he would have ''gone for the weeds'' if he had known his D-C-9 taxied through fog into the middle of a takeoff runway.

China is trying to deflect mounting overseas allegations that it has shrewdly capitalized on the Gulf crisis to begin prosecuting key Tiananmen Spring activists for political crimes. A government spokesman attacked as ''mudslinging and rumor-mongering'' accusations that Chinese hard-liners have taken political strength from China's improving relations with the West to intensify an internal political crackdown.

Nursery school workers in New York found a loaded pistol in a three- year-old boy's coat pocket. Police he was the youngest child they have encountered carrying a gun. Police arrested the superintendent of the Brooklyn apartment building where the child lives. Police say the man apparently drove the boy to school and that the boy picked the gun up from the front seat of the car.

NASA has released a new space shuttle launch schedule that calls for seven missions in 1991 and eight in 1992. The schedule includes a daring satellite rescue mission by the new shuttle Endeavour. 58 shuttle missions or payloads are listed though 1996, the majority of which are devoted to space science and applications.

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#90340u0841 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 6) UPI - Thousands of blacks marched through the streets of the Pretoria, Johannesburg and two other cities Thursday, heeding a call by the African National Congress to keep the racial reform pressure on the white minority government.

In Pretoria, Winnie Mandela, the wife of ANC leader Nelson Mandela, and South African Communist Party Secretary General Joe Slovo led some 5,000 marchers to the government complex and delivered a petition to the office of President Frederik de Klerk.

Among the demands sought by the ANC are the release of all political prisoners and the suspension of all political trials before Christmas, the formation of an interim government and the election of a constituent assembly to draft a post-apartheid era constitution.

Awash in the green, black and gold colors of the ANC, about 15,000 marchers streamed through downtown Johannesburg, dancing, chanting and singing to the

gates of the police headquarters of John Vorster Square, where they also presented a list of grievances.

Veteran ANC and SACP member Mac Maharaj, who led the Johannesburg march, accused the De Klerk government of stalling on its reform pledges, including the promise announced in August to release all political prisoners.

''We have now come to the gates of a place notorious for the murder of some of the best sons and daughters of our country,'' ANC General Secretary Alfred Nzo told the crowd as white and black police peered down at the crowd from the buildings open windows and walkways.

''As we march this our last mile, our people must capture the reins of power as soon as possible because then there will be peace and tranquility,'' he said.

Two other ''Peace and Freedom Now'' marches were held Thursday in the eastern city of Port Elizabeth and the central city of Bloemfontein, the country's judicial capital.

With the exception of the apprehension by police in Pretoria of a white right-winger displaying anti-black posters, the day was peaceful, despite government worries over Mandela's plans to use ''mass action'' to keep up the pressure for racial reform.

De Klerk has regarded Mandela's plans for public marches and demonstrations, including consumer boycotts, as a violation of the spirit of an Aug. 6 agreement between the ANC and his government in which the ANC suspended its 29-year guerrilla war against white rule.

Mandela has dismissed government warnings, insisting mass actions will continue until the government meets its promises to abolish apartheid.

De Klerk's chief racial reform negotiator, Constitutional Development Minister Gerrit Viljoen, warned Wednesday that the government would ''act firmly against anyone guilty of intimidation and violence.''

''The government cannot tolerate the deliberate sabotaging of peaceful negotiations,'' Viljoen said. ''Indefinite continuation of mass protests intending to highlight political demands really are no longer necessary.''

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#90340u0851 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

EASTON, PA (DEC. 6) UPI - A color-blind craftsman who delighted children the world over with his colorful Crayola crayon creations is retiring after 37 years and more than a billion crayons.

During his tenure at Binney & Smith, maker of Crayola products in Easton, Pa., Emerson Moser produced seas of salmon, pecks of plum and enough maize to color the entire state of Nebraska.

Touted by his company as ''the best in the world'' at his trade and held by his co-workers to be the master of his craft, Moser's slight color blindness was discovered by a company doctor during a physical before he began working for Binney & Smith in 1953.

''It really isn't that bad and doesn't affect my work,'' Moser, 62, of Bethlehem, Pa., said Thursday.

Moser's job is to pour the hot colored wax into molds and then extract the finished crayons.

When he isn't sure of a color mix, Moser, whose wife, son and father- in-law all worked for Crayola, asks co-workers for help.

In all his years Moser said he has ''never made a crayon I was ashamed to put my name on. That's what I've enjoyed most about working here. I make the best crayons in the world.''

Moser began his colorful career on Oct. 12, 1953, working for $1.30 an hour in the same plant where the first box of Crayola crayons was produced in 1903. After being trained in a number of jobs, Moser made his first crayon on May 5, 1955.

During his tenure, Moser has seen colors come and go, most recently when the company decided to discontinue eight classic shades. But despite all the exotic shades that have come out recently, Moser's favorite colors to make are the eight originals: red, blue, yellow, green, orange, violet, black and brown.

''They run the smoothest on the molding machine,'' Moser said. ''I never have any trouble with them. Some of the others like red orange and yellow orange are tougher.''

Despite his penchant for tradition, Moser is sympathetic to the company's need to modernize.

''You need to change with the times,'' said Moser. ''Kids today like brighter colors and that's why we came out with the new colors this summer and the new fluorescent colors this winter. Personally, I like the older colors best.''

After making a billion crayons in his time, Moser said he won't miss job because it's a lot of hard work. But he will miss his co-workers.

''I'll miss the people I work with and the kids who come through on tours. Their eyes get so big when they see me making the crayons.''

Moser plans to retire on Dec. 13. To commemorate the occasion, and in recognition of his years of service, Moser's photograph will be added to the Crayola Hall of Fame in Easton.

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#90340u0853 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

DHAKA, BANGLADESH (DEC. 6) UPI - Embattled President Hussain Muhammad Ershad resigned Thursday and handed over power to an opposition-led caretaker government, saying he hoped to quell the violent demonstrations against his rule and return peace to Bangladesh.

Ershad administered the oath of office and secrecy to Chief Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed, the opposition vice presidential nominee. Ershad handed his resignation letter to Anwar and shook hands with the new vice president.

''I congratulate you. I hope peace will return to Bangladesh,'' Ershad said, holding the hands of Shahabuddin. He then left the presidential palace along with Moudud Ahmed, the former vice president and his supporter.

The ceremony also was attended by Cabinet Secretary M.K. Anwar and the chiefs of the Bangladesh army, navy and air force.

Hours before the swearing-in ceremony, Ershad dissolved the 300-seat Parliament and lifted the state nationwide of emergency in Bangladesh.

Under the terms Ershad announced Tuesday night over nationwide television, Shahabuddin would face a vote in Parliament Saturday. Shahabuddin, 60, highly regarded for his integrity, would become the 11th president of Bangladesh immediately after the Parliament's approval of him as vice president.

Shortly after he was sworn in, Shahabuddin declared he would try to hold a free and fair election in the shortest possible time, hand over power to the elected parliament and return to his job of chief justice.

''I have no political ambition to pursue. I pray I am not inspired by general tendency of staying in power in such circumstances,'' the acting president said amid thunderous applause by about 400 opposition leaders and workers.

Ershad, who seized power in a coup in 1982 and won a five-year term in 1986 elections widely boycotted by the opposition, yielded to the caretaker government following violent demonstrations against his rule.

He imposed the state of emergency on Nov. 27, suspending fundamental rights, banning political activities and imposing press censorship in an attempt to smother the opposition movement against his government.

But the move unleashed nationwide protests, with teachers, lawyers and bureaucrats joining opposition parties in demanding Ershad's resignation.

The opposition has organized anti-government rallies and strikes since October and in the past two weeks about 70 people have been killed, 1,500 injured and nearly 3,000 arrested.

Moudud Ahmed, who was appointed vice president in July 1989, vowed earlier Thursday to fight in Bangladesh's parliamentary elections to ''prove who has popular support'' in the country. He did not say whether Ershad, who reportedly has sought asylum from at least two foreign embassies, planned to participate.

Moudud Ahmed, who was prime minister before Ershad appointed him vice president, said if opposition leaders were serious about holding fair elections, they ''should control their people from hooliganism and vandalism.

Amir Hossain Amu, joint general secretary of the Awami League, a member of the anti-Ershad opposition alliance, urged the deposed president to leave the country.

Enayatullah Khan, a newspaper editor who served as ambassador to China and Burma under Ershad, suggested the president might face prosecution if he remained in Bangladesh.

''It is better that he leave the country,'' said Khan, whose weekly English-language newspaper reflects the thinking of leftist parties that joined the movement to topple Ershad.

''The political parties should allow him safe passage.''

The opposition has accused Ershad and his wife of corruption.

The military has not intervened, Khan said, because its commanders knew ''if they came in, they would not be able to hold. The army knows very well they have earned a good name with the people by not intervening. They also know that by not intervening, their privileges will not be taken away.''

Moudud Ahmed said he also believed the army was unlikely to intervene immediately.

''We could have stayed in power,'' said the former vice president. ''Ultimately, we could have handed over power to the army. We did not want to do that. It would have led to more violence. We thought it would be better if we maintained the constitutional process.''

The leaders of four opposition parties nominated the chief justice. Under the constitution, parliamentary elections are to be held within 90 days after the

dissolution of the legislature. The presidential elections were scheduled in June.

The opposition has demanded that both elections be held at the same time.

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#90340u0856 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) UPI - President Bush Thursday granted an appeal by Arizona for federal disaster aid to assist in recovery from severe storms and flooding and announced Indiana is eligible for similar assistance.

The storms in Arizona struck most of the state during the period of July 8 through Sept. 4. The president's action reverses an earlier decision to deny assistance to that Western state.

Arizona will now receive assistance to pay 75 percent of the costs for the repair and replacement of damaged public facilities in the countries of Coconino, Gila, Graham, Maricopa, Mohave, Pima, Pinal and Yavapai.

In declaring that a major disaster exists in Indiana, the president granted federal assistance to that state for severe storms and flooding beginning last Nov. 27.

The action makes federal funding available to affected individuals in Lake County. The aid can include temporary housing, grants, low-cost loans to cover uninsured property losses, and other programs to help individuals and business owners recover from the effects of the disaster.

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#90340u0871 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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#90340u0874 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
OMAHA (DEC. 6) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 25; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 2,000; butchers 50-1.00 higher, No 1-3 220-260 lb 48.50-49.00, No 2-3 250-280 lb 47.00- 48.00; sows 25 percent, 50 lower, No 1-3 all weights 41.00-41.50.

Sheep none.

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#90340u0891 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTA (DEC. 6) UPI - Federal health officials, reporting a ''very disturbing'' jump in the homicide rate among young black males, Thursday called for action to curb violence among minorities.

Homicides accounted for 42 percent of the deaths of U.S. black males ages 15 to 24 in 1987, the national Centers for Disease Control said.

The homicide rate in 1987 was 84.7 per 100,000 young black males - the highest rate of the decade and 40 percent percent higher than the rate of 60.6 in 1984 the CDC said.

''Though already recognized as a significant problem, the problem has significantly worsened over the past few years,'' said Dr. Robert Froehlke, a pediatrician and epidemiologist with the CDC. ''We had expected some increase, but the magnitude of the increase was very disturbing.''

In addition, preliminary data for 1988, the latest year for which figures are available, shows a 19 percent increase in the homicide rate for young black males over 1987, indicating the problems has continued to worsen, the CDC said.

''It's a bad problem, and it's getting worse,'' Froehlke said. ''In some areas of the country, it is now more likely for a black male between 15 and 25 to die from homicide than it was for a U.S. soldier to die in Vietnam on his tour of duty.''

While more research is needed, many of the homicides occur during domestic violence, child abuse, rape and disputes among acquaintances, the CDC said.

''Factors identified as potentially important contributors to homicide include immediate access to firearms, alcohol and substance abuse, drug trafficking, poverty, racial discrimination and cultural acceptances of violent behavior,'' the agency said.

The increase was 55 percent for black males ages 15 to 19 and 33 percent for those ages 20 to 24, the CDC said.

Firearm-related deaths accounted for 96 percent of the overall increase in the

homicide rate for young black males and 80 percent of all the deaths, the CDC said.

While the homicide rate for young black males has soared, the rate among white males and females and black females has stayed disproportionately low, the CDC said.

Of every 100,000 young black males, 84.7 die as the result of a homicide, compared with 17.7 for black females, 11 for white males and 3.9 for white females, the CDC said.

''It's important to remember homicide has always been a problem in this group, even before the purported epidemic of drugs,'' Froehlke said. ''How the increase is affected by that (drugs) is an important question that has to be addressed.''

Citing a need for urgent public health attention, the CDC scheduled a conference on violence among minority youth next week.

''The conference will attempt to identify programs that have proven effective but need support to be implemented, and programs that seem promising,'' Froehlke said. ''Given the magnitude of the problem and its recent increase, it's of great importance that a conference like this goes on.''

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#90340u0898 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 6) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Thursday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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#90340u0903 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (DEC. 6) UPI - Grand Metropolitan, the international foods group, said Thursday its annual pre-tax profits had climbed by 25.6 percent, to $1.77 billion from $1.42 billion in the previous fiscal year.

The group, owners of Pillsbury and the Burger King fast-food chain in the United States, said earnings per share increased to $1.23, a jump of 15.3 percent from $1.07 a share.

Grand Met's trading profits, or net earnings, reached $2.08 billion, up 11.9 percent from 1989's net earnings of $1.83 billion.

''The group has had another successful year, all sectors have overcome adverse economic conditions to report good growth ... It is particularly noteworthy that the Pillsbury acquisition, including Burger King, was earnings positive in its first full year in the group,'' Grand Met Chairman Allen Shephard said.

''However 1991 is potentially a difficult year with the translation impact of a weak dollar on our considerable U.S. earnings,'' he added.

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#90340u0906 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

OTTAWA (DEC. 6) UPI - Canada's highest court Thursday upheld compulsory retirement for professors and doctors and said only the federal government is bound by the Charter of Rights and Freedoms that protects individuals against discrimination.

The Supreme Court of Canada, which deliberated for 20 months before reaching a decision on four mandatory retirement cases, said even if universities were subject to the Charter, compulsory retirement would constitute a reasonable limit to the right of equality.

''Mandatory retirement ... ensures a continuing and necessary infusion of new people,'' the court said. It said bringing in new teachers is ''vital'' to academic freedom.

''It ensures infusion of new people and new ideas, a better mix of young and old and is a desirable feature of a teaching staff,'' the court said.

One of the four cases involved eight professors and a librarian who faced mandatory retiremen from Ontario universities. Bernard Blishen, a former York University sociology professor who retired four years ago, told the court: ''I reject being retired. I'm at the height of my intellectual skills so why should I retire?''

Another case involved 14 doctors required by the Vancouver General Hospital to retire at 65. The court upheld the hospital's policy on grounds its need to bring new doctors on staff ''depended on the timely retirement of some of those already there.''

Former Chief Justice Brian Dickson, who was involved in drafting the decisions described mandatory retirement as one of the most important issues of the decade that would affect millions of people, pension funds and personal lives.

More than 5 million workers in Canada are covered by mandatory retirement

policies, but the provinces of Alberta, Manitoba and Quebec have abolished mandatory retirement.

The decision is disappointing for thousands of the 2.7 million Canadians aged 65 and over, said Lillian Mogenthau, head of the Toronto- based Canadian Association of Retired Persons.

''The decision will make people over 65 feel their self-worth is not as great '' said Mogenthau. She said most retired people want to work.

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#90340u0911 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (DEC. 6) UPI - Hanson PLC, the coal and trading conglomerate, reported Thursday its pre-tax earnings for the fiscal year had soared 21 percent, with earnings per share up 8 percent.

Profits before taxes came in at a record setting $2.48 billion, against the previous year's $2.05 billion pre-tax earnings, a gain of 21 percent.

Earnings after taxes were $1.87 billion, as compared to $1.57 billion in 1989.

Earnings per share increased to 10.4 cents from 9.6 cents.

Hanson owns Peabody, the largest U.S. coal producers.

''We continue to be expansion minded. Our large cash balances and borrowing capability mean that we have the resources,'' Hanson Chairman Lord Hanson said.

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#90340u0923 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, Kenya (DEC. 6) UPI - The U.S. Embassy and other Western missions in Somalia's capital laid plans for the evacuation of non-essential personnel Thursday as the threat of government collapse and a rebel incursion into the city mounted.

The U.S. Embassy, in a statement received in Nairobi, said ''the ambassador met with the American community in Mogadishu yesterday to discuss possible contingency plans for an orderly departure.''

It said no formal advisory had been issued. Other Western diplomats in the city, however, said the advice effectively stood and that they understood the embassy had asked the State Department to issue the advisory.

Other embassies, including the British, were expected to follow suit.

The move follows the Somali government's imposition of a state of emergency

last week aimed at halting the advance of northern rebels on the capital.

The rebels of the Somali National Movement were reported last week to be less than 30 miles from Mogadishu, prompting president Siad Barre to order his troops to shoot suspected rebels in and around the capital on sight.

The SNM, formed in 1981 with the aim of deposing Barre, has claimed a series of military victories in the past three months. Meanwhile, the government and economy have been plunged into increasing chaos, with virtually no money entering the country, the withdrawal of most Western aid and the collapse of the currency.

Barre has twice changed his entire Cabinet and fired his son as military commander. A pledge to hold democratic elections next year has been widely dismissed as a stalling maneuver.

Barre has fought a bloody war against his northern population for the past decade, drawing international condemnation for mass exterminations and blanket bombing of civilian targets.

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#90340u0927 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (DEC. 6) UPI - Stocks prices closed sharply higher Thursday on the London International Stock Exchange sparked by the surprise offer by Saddam Hussein to free all Western hostages in Iraq and Kuwait.

Stocks also ended sharply higher in Frankfurt.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which added 6.3 points Wednesday, climbed 24.9 points to 2,177.5. The narrower top 30 industrial average gained 28.3 points to 1,717.9.

Volume amounted to around a vigorous 560 million shares compared with 520 million shares changing hands Wednesday.

Analysts said stocks surged on news Saddam had asked Iraq's National Assembly to release all foreign hostages held in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

The surprise move, announced by the official Iraqi News Agency, came after Saddam had earlier promised to free all foreign hostages in batches between Christmas Day and March 25, provided he was not attacked in the meantime.

The Iraqi move came days before Iraq and the United States were scheduled to hold talks in Baghdad and Washington on achieving a peaceful solution to the 4-month-old Persian Gulf standoff.

The U.N. Security Council had authorized the possible use of military force

against Iraq if it does not withdraw from Kuwait by Jan. 15.

In Washington, the State Department had no immediate comment on either the offer by Saddam to release the hostages.

Meanwhile, on the local economic front, Britain's Confederation of British Industry reported annual growth in retail sales volume came ''to a virtual standstill'' in November, while sales in the wholesaling and motor trades sectors continued lower compared to year-ago levels.

In its latest monthly survey, the CBI also noted that British retailers, wholesalers and motor traders ''expect their overall business situation to deteriorate over the next three months'' and retailers reported the ''first fall in confidence since last November.''

Analysts noted the CBI report went also unnoticed by local investors.

On the trading floor, oil stocks fell as the spot price of oil plummented on cash markets.

British oil drillers London & Scottish Marine Oil tumbled 36 cents to $7.49 while Enterprise Oil slumped 42 cents to $11.63.

Grand Metropolitan, the international foods group, climbed 32 cents to $12.10 after reporting its annual pre-tax profits jumped 25 percent.

British Airways PLC gained 18 cents to $2.98, benefitting from the sharply lower price of oil.

In Frankfurt, stock prices closed sharply higher in active trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 24.62 points Wednesday, jumped 33.43 points or 2.2 percent to 1,504.39 - the first time since September 18 the index closed above the 1,500-level.

Traders said the Iraqi news helped to boost prices higher across the board.

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#90340u0957 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

SANTIAGO, CHILE (DEC. 6) UPI - President Bush Thursday welcomed Iraq's Saddam Hussein's decision to release all hostages, but said ''it will not change my thinking on his need to comply 100 percent'' with U.N. resolutions requiring withdrawal from Kuwait.

At a news conference, Bush again rejected any linkage of settlement of the Persian Gulf crisis to an international Middle East peace conference to deal

with the Palestinian question.

''The question is the agression against Kuwait,'' said Bush, who is on a six-day South American trip. ''There will not be and there is no linkage to the Palestinian-West Bank question.''

Bush said he had rejected the idea of a Middle East peace conference because from the ''very beginning,'' since his invasion of Kuwait last Aug. 2, Saddam ''has tried to justify his illegal invasion of Kuwait ... but we are not going to get diverted from the full implementation of the U.N. resolutions in order to give him some face-saving way out of something he should not have gotten into in the first place.''

Asked if he thought Saddam's hostage announcement was credible, Bush replied:

''I hope that it is credible. No single hostage should have been taken in the first place and I hope that it shows that the strategy is working and that Saddam understands that his hostage policy has incurred the condemnation of the whole world, so we've got to continue keep the pressure on.

''This will be welcome, if true,'' he added, ''but it will not change my thinking on his need to comply 100 percent without conditions to the U.N. resolutions.''

Bush also said he hoped ''Saddam Hussein is getting the message: the message so clearly stated in the last U.N. resolution.'' He referred to the most recent resolution authorizing the use of force in the gulf, if necessary, after Jan. 15 to implement demands for the Iraqi pullout from Kuwait.

''Release of all the hostages would be a very good thing,'' Bush told reporters. ''But the problem is the aggression against Kuwait. Iraq must leave the whole world agrees with that.''

Asked whether there were any back door diplomatic negotiations with Saddam or new incentives offered in view of the Iraqi leader's reference to ''positive diplomatic changes,'' Bush replied:

''One, there are no secret negotiations, direct or indirect with Iraq on this question; none and there will be none on this question.''

''Secondly, I am not looking for incentives or further incentive. What I want to ensure, in going this last step for peace, that Iraqis know from me and Saddam Hussein knows from the Secretary of State how supportive the United States is of the U.N. consioldiated position.

''I don't want any people to think there are secret negotiations going on or that I will even consider making concessions,'' he added. ''That is not what these meetings are about.''

Last Friday, Bush announced that he would receive Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Washington and Baker would be his emissary to Baghdad to discuss the gulf situation with Saddam.

The word from Iraq is that Aziz will come to Washington on Dec. 17, but the United States has not yet confirmed this date. Baker is expected to go to Baghdad after Christmas and before the Jan. 15 deadline.

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#90340u0963 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (DEC. 6) UPI - The campaign for Serbia's first multi-party elections in 45 years closed Thursday, with the leading opposition presidential candidate accusing the ruling communists of the largest Yugoslav republic of killing one of his campaign workers.

Vuk Draskovic, the head of the nationalist Serbian Revival Movement, said the killing was intended to provoke violence, which President Slobodan Milosevic could use as a pretext to cancel Sunday's elections and call out the communist-led Yugoslav army.

''They wanted to have bloodshed because this is the only way for them to retain power. I beg you not to retaliate,'' Draskovic told more than 10,000 cheering supporters who braved a heavy snowstorm to attend his final rally in the commercial heart of Belgrade.

There was no immediate reaction from the Milosevic regime.

State-run Belgrade Radio said a Serbian Revival Movement activist was shot in the back Wednesday night by a supporter of the ruling communists as he was pasting campaign posters outside the town hall of Vranje, 250 miles southeast of Belgrade.

''The terrorists of the Serbian Socialist Party fired into his back four bullets,'' said Draskovic, a former communist who rose to the forefront of a Serbian nationalist wave through his novels glorifying the history of Yugoslavia's majority ethnic group.

Draskovic charged that the army is backing the Serbian Socialist Party, the name taken by the communists in July. But he predicted victory for his party.

''On Dec. 9, we shall break through the Bolshevik front. In their hands are tanks. Tito's generals have weapons. In our hands are the real democratic bullets: ballots,'' he said, referring to the late dictator Josip Broz Tito.

Draskovic, 44, is considered the main contender among 31 candidates seeking to unseat Milosevic. Voters are also to chose a 250-member assembly from among

1,713 hopefuls from 53 parties. Similar elections are set for adjacent Montenegro Republic.

Other leading parties aside from the communists and Draskovic's organization are the Democratic Party, the Peoples Radical Party and the Alliance of Reformist Forces of federal Prime Minister Ante Markovic.

Campaigning was banned Friday and Saturday to allow for a cooling-off period before the elections, which political experts believe will be close.

Most give the advantage to Milosevic, who has governed since October 1987, because of his rigid grip on the communist-controlled media, bureaucracy and state-run enterprises, and his strong appeals to Serbian nationalism.

The elections are expected to be boycotted by the ethnic Albanian majority of Kosovo Province to protest the elimination of virtually all provincial self-rule in a new Serbian Constitution adopted in September by the communists.

Serbia and Montenegro are the last of Yugoslavia's six republics to hold multi-party elections following the demise in January of the national communist organization, which took power in 1945.

The Serbian contests, however, are regarded as the most crucial to the future of Yugoslavia because they will determine the stance of the most influential republic in a constitutional dispute that many people fear could ignite a civil war in the multi-ethnic nation of 23 million.

Nationalist governments elected in April in Slovenia and Croatia are threatening secession unless a new constitution is adopted making Yugoslavia a confederation of independent states.

The two predominantly Roman Catholic republics fear domination of the federation by majority Orthodox Serbs.

Milosevic, who has refused to negotiate on the issue, has said he opposes confederation unless Serbia's borders are enlarged to include Serbian enclaves now in other republics.

Draskovic and other top opposition leaders have pledged to negotiate with Croatia and Slovenia.

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#90340u0973 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) UPI - Farmers will be paid $1.74 billion in crop support payments for this year's wheat, oat and barley crops with the lion's share - $1.7 billion - going to wheat growers, the government said Thursday.

This year's wheat crop of 2.74 billion bushels was the third largest on record and has contributed to a slump in market prices. The barley crop totaled 419 million bushels, up slightly from last year, while the oat harvest, at 358 million bushels, was down slightly.

The Agriculture Department said the payments, which will be made in cash, would cover the subsidies due for low prices and payments due under the so-called Zero-92 program. In it, farmers who idle all of the land normally devoted to a specific crop are guaranteed 92 percent of their projected subsidy payment.

Wheat growers will receive subsidies calculated at the rate of 92 cents per bushel - the amount due after subtracting advance payments made months ago and an additional reduction required by balanced-budget law from the five-month average price of $2.72 a bushel.

For barley, the payment rate is 11.6 cents a bushel and for oats, 31. 8 cents a bushel.

In all, barley farmers will receive about $35 million and oat farmers $8 million.

Additional payments will be made next summer if market prices are particularly low.

Producers who enrolled in the Zero-92 program were guaranteed a minimum payment rate of 90 cents a bushel on wheat and 26 cents a bushel for barley. There was no guaranteed payment for oats.

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MIAMI (DEC. 6) UPI - The U.S. decision to guarantee a minimum import level for foreign sugar represents a victory for Caribbean producers, although the program may cause problems for domestic producers and undercut world prices, several officials said Thursday.

''I would say the Caribbean has come out big winners with this minimum import level,'' said Parks Shackelford, a consultant to the Cotton, Rice and Sugar Subcommittee in the U.S. House.

''It is important that we maintain access to our market - a premium market - until they (Caribbean producers) are able to get a fair price on the world market,'' Shackelford told a gathering at the Miami Conference on the Caribbean, an annual trade and development conference.

The 1990 farm bill signed Nov. 28 by President Bush sets an absolute floor for U.S. sugar imports of 1.25 million tons.

Although sugar-producing nations in the Caribbean had hoped for guaranteed imports of 2 million tons, ''We have to be pleased with this level,'' said Carlos Despradel, economic adviser to the president of the Dominican Republic.

The United States sets the import quota annually to balance domestic supply and demand, as part of the federal sugar program that sets a domestic support price of 18 cents a pound for raw sugar.

Sugar imports for the current fiscal year will be higher than the guaranteed floor, because of a shortfall in domestic production.

In fact, the U.S. Agriculture Department last week announced a 22 percent increase in the 1990-1991 import level, to 2.3 million tons. Domestic producers condemned that move, however, saying the current harvest is producing yields higher than that estimated by the government.

But Robert Barry, a sugar specialist with the Agriculture Department, said Wednesday domestic production likely will rise in coming years to levels that will undercut the guaranteed import level of 1.25 million tons.

''The potential for higher (domestic) production is very real ... and could trigger the new marketing allotment mechanism,'' in the 1990 farm bill, Barry said. ''What would happen with that excess sugar?''

If the excess sugar lands on the world market, international sugar prices, which already are well below the guaranteed domestic U.S. price, could be weakened further, Barry said.

However, Shackelford said it was unlikely U.S. producers would seek to sell excess product on the world market, when they could hold the product for inclusion in the U.S. program the following year.

''This sugar is not available to the market, so it will not affect the market '' Shackelford said. ''It will be carried over into the next year.''

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#90340u1003 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (DEC. 6) UPI - Nine Impressionist paintings that were stolen from a Paris museum during visiting hours five years ago, including Claude Monet's ''Impression: Sunrise,'' have been recovered on the Mediterranean Island of Corsica, authorities said Thursday.

The paintings, which include four other works by Monet, two by Auguste Renoir and one by Berthe Morisot, were found by police Tuesday night in an apartment near Porto-Vecchio in the southern part of the French island.

Police arrested seven people, including Donatien Comiti, 30, an unemployed Corsican barman who had photographs of the stolen artworks. Most of those arrested were later released.

Art experts said the overall worth of the nine paintings was difficult to determine, but police sources put their value at $20 million.

Besides "Impression: Sunrise," a work that gave its name to the Impressionist movement, the four other Monet paintings recovered were ''Camille Monet and her Cousin on the Beach of Trouville,'' ''Portrait of Monet,'' ''Portrait of Polly, Fisher at Belle Ile,'' and ''Field of Tulips in Holland.''

The two Renoir paintings recovered were ''Bathers'' and ''Portrait of Monet.'' Also found were ''Young Girl at the Ball'' by Berthe Morisot and Naruse's ''Portrait of Monet.''

The recovery of the masterpieces, some of which were reported to have been damaged, marked the end a five-year police investigation that had largely focused on organized crime in Japan, where police appeared convinced the works had been taken.

It was only after studying many recorded telephone conversations between Japan and Corsica that investigators were led to the apartment in Porto-Vecchio, police sources said.

The heist, believed to be the most important art theft in modern French history, took place on Oct. 27, 1985. About 10 a.m. on that quiet Sunday morning, two young men joined about 40 visitors waiting in line to enter the Marmottan Museum in the elegant 16th District of the French capital.

The two men paid admission and were joined by three accomplices inside the three-story gray stone building, witnesses said.

''I saw the men come in. They threatened the guards at gunpoint and made them lie face down,'' a female attendant said. ''First they made the guards on the main floor lie down, then the ones on the bottom floor. Nobody was hurt, they just waved their guns.''

The robbers quickly removed the paintings from the basement exhibition rooms, getting unexpected help from an unplugged alarm system. Museum officicals explained later that the alarm was turned on only at night.

''They knew exactly what they wanted and where it was, and they left very quickly,'' a museum employee said at the time.

The theft caused as much grudging admiration as consternation in the art world. Critics and museum officials shook their heads in wonderment and embarassement at the daring exhibited by the robbers, which appeared to have

been surpassed only by the laxity of the museum's security system.

Adding to the sensasionalism of the crime was that one of the stolen paintings Monet's ''Impression: Sunrise,'' ranks among the most important art works in the world.

The masterpiece, painted in 1872 and first shown in 1874 at an exhibition of painters banned from the formal Parisian exhibition halls, depicts a harbor scene at dawn. The work, which was first brought by a doctor for $54 at the current exchange rate, is today considered priceless by art specialists.

The Impressionist masters, who were to create one of the most widely known and appreciated schools of painting of all time, sought to portray nature through the changing effects of light and movement. Their group included Paul Cezanne, Edgar Degas, and to a lesser extent Edouard Manet.

The paintings stolen from the Marmottan are so famous that art critics had feared they would be impossible to sell, leading to speculation that the theft had been ordered by an extremely rich and most certainly eccentric American or Japanese collector who wanted the works for his private pleasure.

For a time authorities expected a ransom demand from the robbers, but as the weeks passed without further news it was generally thought that the works had been spirited out of France and had found their way to a well-guarded safe on the other side of the world, most likely Japan.

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EASTON, Pa. (DEC. 6) UPI - A color-blind craftsman who delighted children the world over with his colorful Crayola crayon creations is retiring after 37 years, his employer announced Thursday.

During his tenure at Binney & Smith, maker of Crayola products in Easton, Emerson Moser made more than 1 billion crayons, including seas of salmon, pecks of plums and enough maize to color the entire state of Nebraska.

His slight color blindness was discovered by a company doctor during a physical before Moser began working for Binney & Smith in 1953.

''It really isn't that bad and doesn't affect my work,'' said Moser, 62, of Bethlehem.

Moser's job is to pour the hot colored wax into crayon molds and then extract the finished crayons.

When he isn't sure of a color mix, Moser, whose wife, son and father- in-law all worked for Crayola, asks his co-workers for help.

In all his years, Moser said he has ''never made a crayon I was ashamed to put my name on. That's what I've enjoyed most about working here. I make the best crayons in the world.''

Moser began his colorful career on Oct. 12, 1953, working for $1.30 an hour in the same plant where the first box of Crayola crayons was produced in 1903. After being trained in a number of jobs, Moser made his first crayon on May 5, 1955.

During his tenure, Moser has seen colors come and go, most recently when the company decided to discontinue eight classic shades. But despite all the exotic shades that have come out recently, Moser's favorite colors to make are the eight originals: red, blue, yellow, green, orange, violet, black and brown.

''They run the smoothest on the molding machine,'' Moser said. ''I never have any trouble with them. Some of the others like red orange and yellow orange are tougher.''

Despite his penchant for tradition, Moser is sympathetic to the company's need to modernize.

''You need to change with the times,'' said Moser. ''Kids today like brighter colors and that's why we came out with the new colors this summer and the new fluorescent colors this winter. Personally, I like the older colors best.''

After making a billion crayons during his tenure, Moser said he won't miss job because it's a lot of hard work. But he will miss his co- workers.

''I'll miss the people I work with and the kids who come through on tours. Their eyes get so big when they see me making the crayons.''

Moser plans to retire on Dec. 13. To commemorate the occasion, and in recognition of his years of service, Moser's photograph will be added to the Crayola Hall of Fame in Easton.

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MIAMI (DEC. 6) UPI - A former Panamanian military leader pleaded guilty to a conspiracy charge Thursday and admitted he delivered hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of cocaine bribes to deposed strongman Manuel Noriega.

The plea agreement, accepted Thursday by U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler, calls for Lt. Col. Luis del Cid to testify against Noriega at his drug trafficking trial.

Del Cid, 47, pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to commit racketeering.

He has already served one year in jail and the agreement calls for him to serve no more than two additional years.

Sentencing will be postponed until after Noriega's trial, which is scheduled to begin Jan. 28 but expected to be delayed.

In exchange for del Cid's testimony, the government agreed to drop five other counts, including racketeering and cocaine trafficking, contained in a 1988 indictment. If convicted on all the original charges, del Cid could have faced up to 70 years in prison and fines up to $550,000.

Defense Attorney Sam Burstyn said del Cid will probably end up serving less time than if he had waited for trial.

''He would serve three to four years if he persisted in fighting the case and taking it through appeals. This case presents the unusual opportunity where a guilty plea gets you out of jail faster than a trial,'' Burstyn said.

Del Cid, described as a trusted Noriega aide for 20 years, admitted he acted as Noriega's bag man, delivering payoffs from cocaine traffickers who used Panama as a shipping and money laundering station for U.S.-bound drugs.

The U.S. Attorney's Office in Miami issued a prepared statement saying, ''His admission of guilt today speaks for itself.

''The government will carefully consider any cooperation, truthful testimony and evidence before making any recommendation (on sentencing) to the court.''

Like Noriega, del Cid surrendered during the U.S. military invasion of Panama last December.

After months of plea negotiations, a key obstacle was overcome when the U.S. government agreed to oppose any attempts to deport del Cid to Panama to face possible criminal charges there.

Del Cid is the second Noriega co-defendant to plead guilty. Pilot Eduardo Pardo was sentenced to 30 months in prison after pleading guilty in February to flying more than $800,000 in drug profits from Fort Lauderdale to Panama.

The 1988 indictment charges Noriega took $4.6 million in bribes to ensure Colombia's Medellin cartel could safely ship cocaine through Panama. If convicted, he would face a maximum penalty of 145 years in prison and $1.1 million in fines.

Del Cid's testimony could bolster the government's case. But defense attorneys are expected to attack his credibility, claiming del Cid would say anything to reduce his own prison time.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 6) UPI - Slugger George Bell signed a 3-year, $12.6 million contract with the Chicago Cubs Thursday to become the second-highest paid player in baseball.

Bell, a free agent, was the 1987 American League MVP and has spent his entire eight-year career with the Toronto Blue Jays. The power- hitting left fielder now teams with Ryne Sandberg, Andre Dawson and Mark Grace to give the Cubs one of baseball's most formidable lineups.

The Cubs announced the signing at a news conference, the day after baseball concluded its winter meetings.

Only Jose Canseco is paid more than Bell. The Oakland outfielder signed in June for $23.5 million for five years, an average of $4.7 million a season.

This is the second big free-agent signing by the Cubs, who landed pitcher Danny Jackson before the meetings.

Bell, 31, batted .265 with 21 homers and 86 RBI last season for the second-place Blue Jays. However, he is a notoriously poor performer during daytime, when the Cubs play most of their games at Wrigley Field.

The Blue Jays revamped their outfield at the meetings. They obtained Devon White and Joe Carter in anticipation of Bell leaving. Bell had sought $16 million over four years from Toronto and was displeased with the Blue Jays' plans to use him as a designated hitter.

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#90340u1064 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (DEC. 6) UPI - Argentine President Carlos Menem said Thursday a group of private businessmen funded an 18-hour military uprising earlier this week.

''Elementary Watson,'' Menem responded when asked about reports that businesmen paid more than 400 renegade soldiers who took over three military installations, including the army headquarters, Monday.

''This will be investigated in depth because there was bloodshed here,'' Menem said. ''No one can be spared, absolutely no one,'' he said.

Casualty figures for the uprisings run from 13 to 21 dead and dozens of wounded.

''The war courts are functioning at full'' speed, he said after accompanying

President Bush to the downtown airport Thursday morning.

During his 17-hour visit, Bush endorsed Menem's use of force in putting down the rebel uprising. Bush continued to Chile on his five- nation South American tour Thursday.

Two officers involved in the takeover of a battalion in Palomar, a suburb of Buenos Aires, Col. Enrique Baraldini and Oscar Vega, testified Thursday before the Military Supreme Court, according to an army spokesman.

The spokesman told United Press International the preliminary investigations began Tuesday and would be conducted in the fastest way possible.

Menem said the rebels tried several times to negotiate with government forces, speaking to Defense Minister Humberto Romero, Presidential Secretary Eduardo Bauza and Army chief Martin Bonnet.

''Col. Romero Mundani the carapintada in charge of (the uprising at the tank factory) Tanse, in Boulogne, called the defense minister,'' Menem said.

''The minister told him that I had ordered the only conversation was unconditional surrender,'' he said.

The ''carapintadas,'' maverick soldiers who daub their faces with camouflage paint, led the rebellions Monday. The group also led three uprisings against former President Raul Alfonsin.

''Mayor Hugo Abete, who was in the Patricios Regiment called General Bonnet and asked for mediation; Bonnet's answer was unconditional surrender, in underwear, barefooted and with the hands up,'' Menem said.

When government forces drove Abete into submission with five tanks and mortar fire Monday, they made captured rebels kneel on the ground in the wooded regiment courtyard with their hands on their heads. Later, the renegades were forced to take off their shoes before being carted off to jail in an army truck.

''Later another called who said he was an unemployed lieutenant, who was in the Armed Forces building (behind the executive offices),'' Menem said. ''This one talked to Eduardo Bauza and when Bauza brought me the message, I told him to tell the guy that I was sorry he was unemployed but to go to hell,'' Menem told the news agency Noticias Argentinas.

''I spent almost the whole day (Monday) drinking Mate (herbal tea) and giving orders,'' he said.

Some of the most intense fighting Monday was behind the presidential offices in the Libertador Armed Forces building, where Menem said he had ordered

fighter jets to bomb if the rebels were not brought under control.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) UPI - The slowing U.S. economy and mounting uncertainties from the Persian Gulf crisis have combined to cloud the short-term outlook for reducing the federal budget deficit, the Congressional Budget Office said Thursday.

In its interim report on the federal budget, the CBO predicted the total federal deficit will rise from $200 billion this year to $250 billion next year and 1992 before easing to roughly $170 billion in 1993, $60 billion in 1994 and $30 billion in 1995.

Robert Reischauer, the office's director, told the House Budget Committee the short-term budget outlook has worsened since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. But the long-term outlook has improved.

''Even allowing for some additional deterioration in the economic outlook, by fiscal year 1995, the total federal deficit is likely to fall below $100 billion for the first time in 14 years and below 1 percent of (gross national product) for the first time in 20 years,'' Reischauer said.

While long-term prospects for the deficit appear healthy, the short- term reality will be dominated by a sluggish economy, Middle East uncertainty and the ongoing savings and loan bailout.

The government's effort to protect depositors of failed thrifts and sell the assets of those institutions will continue to add to federal borrowing requirements in the next few years.

''Over the next two years, massive spending to resolve insolvent savings and loan institutions will keep the deficit at record levels,'' Reischauer said.

The CBO projected that federal spending on deposit insurance will increase from $58 billion this year to $91 billion next year and $107 billion in 1992 before dropping sharply in 1993.

The CBO budget forecast was based on economic assumptions developed in mid-October. The assumptions differ significantly from those of the previous forecast, made in July, by factoring for slower GNP growth and higher inflation.

''Many of the changes from last summer's forecast reflect the effects of the sharp increases in the price of imported oil that resulted form Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last August,'' Reischauer said.

The CBO plans to present its next economic and budget projections in late January. That forecast, Reischauer said, is likely to show further economic weakness.

''Since October, the economic landscape has been clouded by the persistence of high oil prices, weak real estate markets and problems with the balance sheets of many banks and corporations,'' Reischauer said.

''Unless these factors are offset by other developments, a more pessimistic economic outlook will worsen the budget outlook as well.''

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TORONTO (DEC. 6) UPI - After a string of losing quarters, auto parts maker Magna International Inc. reported Thursday earnings of $2.37 million, or 9 cents a share, in its first quarter of fiscal 1991.

The earnings compare with losses of $8.4 million in the year earlier period.

Revenues in the quarter decreased to $377.8 million from $390.7 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

Magna's Chairman Frank Stronach told shareholders at the company's annual meeting Thursday that he has made some mistakes but he intends to stay on until the company is turned around.

In fiscal 1990, Magna charged $143.8 million in restructuring costs to its books that pushed year-end losses to $190.7 million on sales of $1.64 billion.

Stronach said it ''would have been easy to resign'' but that wouldn't have solved Magna's problems. He cited a failed attempt to enter politics several years ago and leaving ''too much on the table'' for Magna's young management team as key mistakes.

Magna problems originated in an aggressive expansion strategy that saw its number of plants increase from 22 in 1977 to over 100 in 1990.

Magna management now is concentrating its efforts on selling off some of its assets, forming joint ventures and renegotiating $875.5 million in debt.

Stronach told shareholders that although the economic environment has changed dramatically over the past few years, Magna still has a very good core business.

Magna's key divisions, with operations in Canada, the U.S. and Europe, produce a wide variety of auto parts including door systems, interior trim, body sheet metal, plastics and engine and transmission components.

Shareholders were told that an asset sales program to cut its debt will have raised $362.1 million by mid-1991. Magna has already raised $181.1 million in asset sales and has signed, closed or has letters of intent for another $125.8 million in deals, company officials said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) UPI - Meetings orchestrated by S&L operator Charles Keating between the Keating Five senators and federal regulators triggered a ''completely unprecedented and grossly improper'' halt in a probe of Keating's troubled thrift, one of the regulators told a Senate panel Thursday.

William Black, general counsel of the western regional office of the Office of Thrift Supervision and a former official of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, said he believed April 1987 meetings between the regulators and senators chilled the bank board's later scrutiny of Keating's Lincoln Savings and Loan of Irvine, Calif.

Black made his statements during the 13th day of hearings before the ethics committee, which is trying to decide whether Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., John Glenn, D-Ohio, John McCain, R- Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich., improperly pressured regulators to benefit Keating.

Lincoln collapsed in April 1989 in the biggest failure in the nation's savings and loan scandal, costing taxpayers about $2 billion to bail out.

Black told the committee that pressure stemming from April 2 and April 9, 1987 meetings between the senators and regulators led to later orders under bank board Chairman M. Danny Wall to halt the examination of Lincoln by federal regulators from San Francisco, who on May 1 had recommended that the government seize the thrift. Black attended the April 9 meeting.

''This is the most likely explanation for this completely unprecedented and grossly improper action of halting the exam,'' Black testified.

Black said Keating set up the meetings to intimidate the regulators.

Lawyers representing the senators sought to rough up Black during his second day of testimony. Thomas Green, Riegle's lawyer, questioned Black's ''guts'' at one point.

Later in the testimony, Black pointed out that Green's law firm was one of several to receive between $55 million and $70 million by Keating to fight the bank board examination.

Keating, who has been indicted on state securities and fraud charges in

California and is the target of a continuing federal grand jury investigation, contributed $1.3 million to the senators' political campaings and causes.

Meanwhile, in connection with its decision to grant limited immunity to James Grogan, a close Keating associate, Sen. Warren Rudman, R-N.H., the committee's vice chairman, said the panel had also issued subpoenas for ''very important'' documents from Grogan.

Those documents had been denied when Grogan became one of seven Keating associates to invoke their constitutional right against self- incrimination in refusing to testify before the panel.

Rudman said the committee will see the demanded documents on Dec. 12, will question Grogan in a closed session on Dec. 17, then will decide whether to put Grogan on the witness stand during a public session.

Rudman also said it would be ''unfair'' and a ''denial of due process'' to force the accused senators to testify before Grogan, meaning their appearances before the panel will be pushed back at least several weeks.

While Rudman warned against placing too much emphasis on ''uncorroborated testimony of an immunized witness,'' Grogan's testimony could have a dramatic impact on the hearings.

Grogan served as Lincoln's vice president and corporate counsel for Lincoln's parent company, American Continental Corp., and was Keating's chief lobbyist. The former Glenn aide had close contacts with all of the five accused senators.

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PALM BEACH, Fla. (DEC. 6) UPI - The National Hockey League Thursday awarded expansion franchises to Tampa, Fla., and Ottawa, with the teams to begin play in the 1992-93 season.

NHL President John Ziegler made the announcement after a review of the candidate cities by the league's Board of Governors. The decision was greeted by wild cheering from Ottawa supporters.

Tampa and the Canadian capital were chosen from among seven applicants, beating out St. Petersburg, Miami, Hamilton, Ontario and two Southern California cities.

A San Diego group said it would not be ready until 1996, and Jerry Buss, owner of the Los Angeles Lakers, said his group would not be ready until 1993.

The Ottawa invitation was accepted by Bruce Firestone, chief executive officer of the new club that will be known as the Senators.

The Tampa group is headed by former NHL star Phil Esposito. In the last two weeks he acquired millions of dollars in financing from Japanese interests to fuel the bid.

Both teams will play in arenas that are yet to be built but have been financed. Ottawa will become the NHL's eighth Canadian team.

The NHL this season has 21 teams. The expansion San Jose Sharks will join the league next year. In addition to Tampa and Ottawa, plans call for further expansion over the next decade.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) UPI - President Bush and Secretary of State James Baker Thursday welcomed Iraq's announced intention to release all hostages in Iraq and Kuwait, but said the United States will continue to demand unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

Baker told the House Foreign Affairs Committee that the Iraqi foreign ministry had confirmed officially that all foreign nationals will be permitted to leave.

The Iraqi ambassador to Washington, Mohammed al-Mashat, in an interview on Cable News Network, said, ''All our guests once again will be in their homes well before Christmas.''

But Baker, testifying before Congress, and Bush, at a news conference in Santiago, Chile, said freeing the hostages would not soften U.S. insistence that Iraq conform to all U.N. resolutions demanding full withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait.

Earlier, Baker had expressed reservations to the House Foreign Affairs Committee about a broadcast report of the hostage release because there had been no ''government-to-government'' confirmation of the Iraqi report that President Saddam Hussein had requested the Iraqi Parliament to approve the release of all foreign nationals.

But in the course of 2 1/2 hours of testimony, Baker learned that confirmation came in a telephone call to the State Department from acting Ambassador Joseph Wilson in Baghdad, who had met with officials of the Iraqi Foreign Ministry.

The exact number of foreign nationals in Iraq and Kuwait has never been precisely established. But it is thought there are around 900 Americans, including 88 held as human shields, plus an estimated 5,000 other foreigners.

Opening his testimony before the House panel, his second appearance on Capitol Hill in two days to explain the Bush administration's Persian Gulf policy,

Baker said, ''We should acknowledge that this (hostage report) is a welcome and significant development. But we do want to see it actually happen. ...

''Secondly, let me say that it does not lessen nor should it lessen our determination that Iraq's aggression against Kuwait must be reversed by full implementation of all of the Security Council resolutions.

''And, third ... I think that this is a sign that the strategy of diplomatic and military pressure is working. It seems to me no coincidence that this announcement comes just one week ... after the international community has authorized the use of force.''

Bush also said Saddam's offer to free the hostages ''would be welcome if true, but it will not change my thinking on his need to comply 100 percent, without condition, to the U.N. resolutions.''

Senate Republican leader Bob Dole said of the proposed release of the hostages ''No doubt about it. The president's policy is working. The last thing we need are any more timid signals from Congress.''

On a related matter, Baker was asked about reports the United States, in a shift of policy, was recommending the U.N. Security Council support an international Middle East peace conference.

''We have not in any way shifted our position on an international conference '' Baker said. ''... because of our consistent position that we will not link the gulf crisis and Arab-Israeli dispute. This is certainly not an appropriate time for such a conference.''

Baker was backed by Bush, who told reporters in in Santiago, ''The question is the aggression against Kuwait. There will be and is no linkage to the Palestinian or the West Bank question.

Baker said there is no evidence that economic sanctions against Iraq will have the required effects, and therefore the option of military action must be raised.

He told the House Committee, ''We have to face the fact that, four months into this conflict, none of our efforts have yet produced any sign of change in Saddam Hussein.

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(DEC. 6) UPI - There may be a major break in the Iraq crisis. The official Iraqi News Agency says President Saddam Hussein has asked his rubber-stamp National Assembly to let all detained foreigners go home. This follows by less than 24 hours Iraq's acceptance of face- to-face talks with Washington on the

crisis. Initial U-S reaction to the latest development is cautious.

Saddam earlier promised to free the hostages in various stages between Christmas and next March 25th, provided his country is NOT attacked by the international military force now drawn up against it. Iraq yesterday said that the 33-hundred Soviet workers it holds also are free to go home. Western diplomats report that leaves another two- thousand hostages in Iraq.

It is NOT clear if freedom for the remaining hostages will come as soon as Iraq's National Assembly agrees to meet Saddam's request. Although he effectively rules the country, he left the final decision to the speaker and members of the National Assembly.

NATO defense ministers have started a two-day meeting in Belgium that is expected to hear U-S Defense Secretary Cheney ask for more naval and airlift support for troops in the Persian Gulf. Cheney also is expected to ask for more help from NATO members. Several have already provided various naval and air transport assistance to the multi-national force drawn up against Iraq.

The hard-luck Columbia mission has been hit by another setback. The crew reported a burning smell this morning, similar to that noticed before one computer failed shortly after launch on Sunday. Minutes later, the second computer stopped functioning. That has left the crew unable to operate the mission's 150-Million-dollar telescope payload. Technicians are now scrambling to see if they can get the first computer to operate again or see if they can rig up a way to operate everything from the ground.

Italian police say a small air force training plane abandoned by its pilot crashed in flames into a school on the outskirts of Bologna today, killing 12 people and injuring at least 62 others. The single-seat plane was on a training flight from an airbase near Verona when it crashed into the rear of the two-story building. Air force officials said the pilot radioed that the plane had caught fire and the controls were NOT working.

Officials in New Delhi say two gunmen believed to be Sikh militants killed a local chief of the state-run All India Radio in Chandigarh today. The killing comes within weeks of the issuance of a so-called ''code of conduct'' by Sikh militant separatists. Security forces erected roadblocks around the city in a hunt for the two gunmen.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) UPI - The head of the World Council of Churches condemned Thursday the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, but said war ''cannot be the right solution,'' warning it might ''wipe out'' Kuwait.

''The (Iraqi) militarty occupation cannot be accepted as a way to solving

conflict between nations and no big power should be allowed to impose its will on a smaller one,'' said the Rev. Emilio Castro, general secretary of the world council. ''And so obviously the United Nations is correct in asking for (Iraqi) withdrawal.''

''But war,'' he added, ''cannot be the right solution,'' and he urged the economic sanctions now in place be given time to work.

''The actual consequences of the medicine called war would be worst than the present situation,'' he said.

Castro, who heads the international council of 311 Protestant and Orthodox churches in more than 100 countries, made his comments in an interview with United Press International.

Castro said the World Council's position had first been spelled out in September in a resolution adopted by its executive committee and the principles spelled out then - release of the hostages, Iraqi withdrawal, opposition to the use of military force by the U.S.-led coalition - remain the fundamentals of council policy.

''We believe the embargo has promise,'' he said. ''And we talk with experience because the World Council was practically the initiator of embargoes and boycotts against South Africa that later on was followed by the United Nations.''

Castro said the church council does not forget that ''the price for our patience, the international community's patience, is paid for by the Kuwaiti people.''

Yet, he said, inside such ''tragic circumstances'' the council believed the sanctions offer more hope. ''The war solution,'' he said, ''could simply wipe out Kuwait.''

Castro also rejected efforts made by some Arab leaders and church officials to specifically link a solution of the Kuwaiti situation with that of other conflicts in the Middle East.

''While obviously, the events in the gulf are not isolated from events in the whole region,'' he said, ''we cannot accept the linking of solutions to one problem to a solution of all problems.''

Such linking, he said, ''would be ideal, but being in the world of powers, we cannot sacrifice one suffering people as the price for solving the problem of another suffering people.

''So, for example, I am very interested in the ending the Turkish occupation of Cyprus,'' Castro said, deliberately not choosing the example of the

Israeli-Palestinian conflict usually raised in such discussions. ''Whatever can be done, should be done.''

But, he added, ''If linkage cannot be accepted, on the contrary, coherence must be demanded. If we are now engaged in a just cause,'' he said of the Kuwait situation, ''we may get a taste for more engagement in other just causes'' such as the Cyprus and Palestinian situations.

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#90340u1131 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 6) UPI - Shares of Orion Pictures jumped Thursday on a report that South Korean electronics giant Samsung Group may try to buy the studio in what would be another foreign takeover of a Hollywood studio.

Orion rose $1.50 a share to $14.50 in early afternoon trading on the New York Stock Exchange following a report in the Los Angeles Times that Samsung has made inquiries about a possible purchase.

Orion, the smallest and poorest recent performer of the eight major Hollywood studios in Hollywood, said it had no comment on the report, which said that Samsung would pay about $300 million for the studio - or about $15 a share - and provide a $500 million cash infusion.

Entertainment analyst Paul Marsh of Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards of Los Angeles said that such a deal is quite feasible, given Samsung's deep pockets. The company, rated as the world's 20th-largest industrial concern by Fortune magazine, had 1989 earnings of $515 million on sales of $35.2 billion.

Orion earned $15.1 million last year on revenues of $485 million. Its key asset is its film library, which includes ''Amadeus,'' ''Hannah and Her Sisters,'' ''Platoon,'' ''Robocop'' and the ''Cagney & Lacey'' television series.

The company's TV arm produces ''WIOU,'' ''Unequal Justice'' and ''Lifestories.'' It does not have a studio lot.

''If Samsung is interested, they would be interested from the standpoint of building up a weaker studio into a major studio,'' Marsh said. ''There's no question that Orion needs more equity.''

Orion, which had been plagued by a series of box-office duds over the past two years until the recent release of current hit ''Dances With Wolves,'' has given strong indications that it may be for sale. It announced in October that it had retained investment bankers Salomon Brothers to explore securing additional financing.

Marsh said analysts are uncertain whether billionaire John Kluge, who owns 70

percent of Orion would be willing to sell at $15 a share, since he acquired part of his stake at higher prices.

Orion is carrying a debt load of about $375 million and analysts have expressed concern that its future earnings may be negatively impacted by its method of accounting for the costs of its movies, which spreads the costs out over a longer period than other studios. They have also said that it lacks the resources to adequately market its films.

The three studios still under American control would be Disney, Paramount and Warner Bros.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - The U.S. goverment may offer to buy used cars from their owners in an effort to clean up the air as part of its new national energy strategy, industry and government sources said Thursday.

One government official, commenting on condition that he remain unidentified, said the buy-back of older cars unequipped with any antipollution devices is one of 60 options being considered by the Energy Department in the writing of its long-awaited National Energy Strategy.

''I think one of the energy options that'll be presented to the president will be: should the government embark on buying old cars to get them off the highway,'' said a senior executive of a major oil company who asked not to be named.

The Energy Department was scheduled to forward its new energy strategy to the White House sometime after the first of the year.

No immediate comment could be obtained from the department on the option to buy back older, dirt-spewing, used cars.

Delays in completion of the National Energy Strategy has spurred Rep. Ron Wyden D-Ore., to ask the General Accounting Office, the congressional watchdog agency, to investigate the Energy Department's effort. The investigation is underway.

It is difficult to determine the number of 20 year- or older cars still on the road nationally. General Motors said there were 154.8 million cars in operation as of July 1989. Of these, 9.8 million were at least 15 years old.

The federal car buy-back effort could be modeled on a successful test conducted in the Los Angeles area earlier this year by Unocal Corp., aided by the Ford Motor Co.

Unocal spokesman Jim Bray said the program resulted in buying back 8, 376 cars 20 years and older from April through September at a cost of $5.9 million to show the potential of reducing smog in the Los Angeles basin.

The oil company paid $700 for each car and sold them as scrap for ''less than $50 each,'' Bray said.

He said the 1970 cars were chosen as the break point because 1971 models were the first ones equipped with some kind of air pollution devices. About 410,000 cars 20 years and older are registered in the Los Angeles area, he said.

An intensive ''smog check'' of 75 of the older cars returned to Unocal showed they emitted 10.7 million pounds of pollution annually, 60 times the pollution of new 1990 models equipped with cleanup devices.

''We had anticipated only 15 to 30 times,'' Bray said.

The Unocal program was ''not intended to cure the smog problem. It was only intended as a pilot program,'' Bray said.

It also was hoped that the effort would ''challenge other companies to come up with their own innovative ideas'' for cleaning up the air, the spokesman said.

Ford, local Ford and Lincoln-Mercury dealers put up money for buying back about 1,090 of the older cars and California's South Coast Air Quality Management District contributed $100,000 for another 143 autos, Bray said.

The senior executive of another major oil company said the Unocal program demonstrated that ''as more and more new cars are bought, a lot of the environmental problems will be solved.''

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CHICAGO (DEC. 6) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	79.13	79.57	79.07	79.28	79.07
Feb	75.30	75.85	75.28	75.43	75.20
Apr	75.80	76.25	75.72	75.88	75.82
Jun	73.85	74.00	73.60	73.75	73.72
Aug	72.10	72.55	72.10	72.20	72.05
Oct	72.35	72.47	72.15	72.18	72.15
Dec	73.10	73.40	73.00	73.20	72.90

Est. sales 14,043 contracts; Wednesday 13, 712; Open interest: 70,615 off 417.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan 87.85 88.50 87.80 88.22 87.72
Mar 85.40 85.85 85.30 85.57 85.38
Apr 84.22 84.45 84.15 84.20 84.22
May 83.22 83.40 83.13 83.25 83.30
Aug 82.60 82.65 82.53 82.53 82.40
Sep 82.05 82.20 81.90 81.90 81.85
Oct 81.63 81.70 81.63 81.63 81.45
Nov .... 81.50 81.35 Est. sales 1,635 contracts; Wednesday 1,221; Open interest: 10,020 up 245.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
Dec 49.65 49.85 48.95 49.00 49.63
Feb 47.90 48.17 47.47 47.60 47.78
Apr 45.65 45.95 45.33 45.38 45.53
Jun 49.28 49.63 48.90 49.13 49.10
Jul 49.40 49.75 49.20 49.28 49.15
Aug 48.15 48.40 47.95 48.13 48.08
Oct 43.63 43.63 43.45 43.45 43.40
Dec .... 44.40 44.40 44.50 Est. sales 8,316 contracts; Wednesday 9,569; Open interest: 28,632 off 163.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 64.40 64.68 62.55 62.85 64.10
Mar 63.40 63.80 61.50 62.00 63.15
May 63.50 63.75 61.90 62.30 63.22
Jul 62.83 63.20 61.50 61.80 62.83
Aug 60.50 61.10 58.90 58.90 60.15 Est. sales 5,073 contracts; Wednesday 5,364; Open interest: 12,815 off 99.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lb 128.53 up 26 cents, 700- 850 lb 128.67 up 21 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lb 117.39 unchanged, 700-850 lb 116.79 down 2 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow on moderate; demand light; fresh pork loins not established with a lower undertone prevailing; Boston butts weak in light test; skinned hams steady 10.00 lower; seedless bellies mostly steady; Boston butts 4-8 lb 78. 00-79.00; hams 17-20 lb 80.00-95.00, 20-26 lb 70. 00-82.00; bellies 10-12 lb 53.00, 12-14 lb 55.00, 14-16 lb 55.00, 16-18 lb 53.00.

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UNITED NATIONS (DEC. 6) UPI - The U.N. Security Council postponed Thursday a debate on the situation in the Israeli-occupied territories so diplomats can agree on a final resolution that would include a call for an international conference on the Middle East, U.N. and diplomatic sources said.

The 15-nation council had scheduled a Thursday afternoon meeting to vote on a resolution supported by non-aligned countries but the document was unacceptable to the United States, the sources said.

A U.N. spokeswoman said the council will meet Friday. Diplomats said a text might be ready then for a vote.

The non-aligned - Malaysia, Yemen, Cuba and Colombia - introduced the resolution for a vote last month but it was not taken up for consideration because the council was dealing with resolutions against Iraq if the latter has not withdrawn from Kuwait by Jan. 15.

The non-aligned resolution sought stronger U.N. protection for Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip after the Oct. 8 riots on the Temple Mount in which Jerusalem police killed at least 19 Palestinians.

The resolution called for reconvening the 164 signatories of the 1949 Fourth Geneva Convention dealing with Israeli responsibilities as the occupying power in the West Bank and Gaza.

A U.N. commissioner, or ''ombudsman,'' would be sent to oversee the Palestinian population if the council adopted the resolution, a move strongly opposed by Israel and the United States.

Diplomats said the United States' U.N. Ambassador Thomas Pickering was discussing the idea of calling for the Middle East conference with Malaysian Ambassador Ismail Razali, who represents the non-aligned bloc in the council.

The discussions would involve changing demands in the non-aligned resolution regarding the ombudsman and a meeting of the Geneva convention while keeping the idea of the Security Council calling for the Middle East peace conference.

Israel and the United States have opposed a U.N. conference on the Middle East because it would involve the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar told reporters Thursday that the United Nations will play a ''crucial role'' in such a conference.

''It will be under the United Nations umbrella and with the United Nations participation,'' he said. ''The Palestinians have to be involved in the process, it is unavoidable.''

The resolution said the conference should be convened ''at an appropriate time'' and in a ''properly structured'' manner to resolve the Arab-Israeli conflict.

The United States alone among the five Security Council permanent members was

against a U.N.-organized Middle East meeting. The other four - the Soviet Union, France, China and Britain - supported the idea.

In London, the British Broadcasting Corp. reported earlier Thursday that the United States had proposed a Middle East conference and had urged the Security Council to help set it up. The U.S. quickly denied the report.

Secretary of State James Baker told the House Foreign Affairs Committee on Thursday, ''We have not in any way shifted our position on an international conference. Our longstanding position has been that an international conference, properly structured at an appropriate time, might be useful.

''We are not now recommending that an international conference on the Arab-Israeli conflict be held, nor are we supporting a resolution in the Security Council that would seek to convene such a conference precisely because of our consistent position that we will not link the gulf crisis and Arab-Israeli dispute. This is certainly not an approrpiate time for such a conference,'' he said.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, who was to be in Washington Friday, said he was unaware of such a move by the United States.

''I know that the United States is not supportive of this idea of an international conference, and the United States knows very well our position about this,'' Shamir said.

The United States called for a Middle East conference in 1973 with the participation of the Soviet Union, Israel, Egypt, Jordan and Syria beside itself. But when it was convened Dec. 21, 1973, at the United Nations Palais de Nations in Geneva, Syria refused to sit at the same table with Israel, thus scuttling the meeting.

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#90340u1155 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 6) UPI - Short-covering and renewed hopes for an export credit offer to the Soviet Union boosted grain prices Thursday.

Grain and soybean futures were higher at the close on the Chicago Board of Trade, with the exception of December corn which lost a penny.

After some early weakness, the market rebounded on a pick-up in buying interest and a slight increase in export business. There also were indications that Wednesday's losses were overdone.

Soybean oil was the price leader in the soy complex. The prospect of continued tight supplies rallied the oil to session highs, although gains were trimmed by profit-taking late in the day.

Soybeans and meal were moderately higher on spillover from the oil pit and reports of fairly active trading on European markets.

December corn was pressured by heavy deliveries and was down 1 1/4 cents at the final bell. Prices were fractionally higher in the rest of the corn in line with the rally in soybeans.

The demand for wheat was based on news that Morocco and Algeria were in the market for nearly 300-thousand tons of wheat.

Basis levels were firm on continued light country movement.

At the close, corn was off 1 1/4 to up 1, soybeans up 3 to 5 1/2, wheat up 1 1/2 to 3 1/2 and oats up 1 1/2 to 2.

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WASHINGTON (UPI)- The Voice of America told U.S. citizens in Kuwait and Iraq Thursday that preparations are being made to evacuate them as soon as possible.

Just hours after the State Department was officially notified of Iraq's decision to release the hostages, it released the text of the announcement being broadcast in English to the Middle East:

''The Iraqi government has announced it intends to release all foreigners.

''We have asked for, but not yet received, information from the Iraqi government on when and how such releases can take place. We will be pursuing this on an urgent basis.

''We are making preparations to evacuate all U.S. citizens as soon as they are permitted to leave.''

It is estimated that about 900 American citizens, including foreign- born spouses and children, are in Iraq and Kuwait, 88 of them as detainees being held as human shields around strategic installations.

So far, the U.S. government has evacuated about 2,300 Americans, mainly women and children, on chartered flights.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 26 to 33 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.80	9.82	9.53	9.54	9.87
May	9.86	9.87	9.66	9.67	9.93
Jly	9.90	9.90	9.67	9.70	9.99
Oct	9.91	9.91	9.70	9.71	9.98
Mar	9.80	9.80	9.80	9.78	10.07

Estimated sales: 19,355 contracts
Open interest: 109,291 up 789
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.61

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday 3 points higher to 8 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	22.69	22.69	22.60	11.61	22.69
Mar	22.64	22.65	22.63	22.65	22.64
May	22.79	22.79	22.79	22.78	22.77
Jly	22.80	22.83	22.80	22.84	22.81
Sep	22.80	22.80	22.80	22.81	22.79
Nov	22.80	22.83	22.80	22.82	22.80
Jan	....	....	....	22.95	22.95

Estimated sales: 897 contracts
Open interest: 12,482 off 220

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#90340u1168 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) UPI - Scientists reported Thursday they had discovered an enzyme that apparently plays an important role in how the nose detects odors.

Researchers at the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions in Baltimore found the enzyme, adenlyl cyclase, in the nasal cells of rats, which have odor detection systems similar to human's.

''The enzyme fits right into our model of how odor molecules are recognized and then sent from our noses to the brain,'' said Randall Reed, who led the research.

Scientists have long known that smelling begins in the mucous membranes behind the bridge of the nose where hair-like nerve endings from 5 million so-called receptor cells pick up airborne odorants.

Reed and his colleagues previously proposed a complex chemical system inside nasal cells makes cells fire a signal to the olfactory bulb, a processing center that translates the signal into a sensation and sends it to the brain.

The cascade of events inside sensory cells begins when the odor- carrying substances adhere to a protein on nasal cells called a receptor, activating messenger proteins that in turn trigger the new enzyme.

In a new study, published in the journal Science, Reed and his colleagues described how they copied the enzyme from rat cells and found evidence it regulates the odor identification process, indicating the enzyme may play a role in how the nose can detect even faint odors.

''This enzyme gives ways to look for the receptor to which odorants bind,'' he said. ''It is also possible that a defect in this enzyme may cause a loss in the ability to detect odors.''

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#90340u1182 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 6) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.42 1/4	2.47 3/4	2.42 1/4	2.47	2.43 1/2
Mar	2.59 1/4	2.63 1/2	2.59	2.62 1/2	2.59 3/4
May	2.67	2.71	2.67	2.70 1/2	2.68 1/4
Jly	2.73 1/2	2.76 1/2	2.72 1/2	2.75 1/4	2.73 3/4
Sep	2.79	2.81 3/4	2.78 3/4	2.81	2.79 1/2
Dec	2.89 1/2	2.92 3/4	2.89 1/2	2.92 1/2	2.91
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.25 3/4	2.27	2.24 3/4	2.25 3/4	2.27
Mar	2.35 3/4	2.37 3/4	2.35 1/4	2.37 1/4	2.36 3/4
May	2.42 3/4	2.45 1/2	2.42 3/4	2.44 3/4	2.44
Jly	2.48 3/4	2.51 3/4	2.48 3/4	2.51	2.50
Sep	2.50 1/2	2.52 3/4	2.50	2.50 3/4	2.50 1/2
Dec	2.49 1/4	2.52	2.49 1/4	2.50 3/4	2.50
Mar	2.56 3/4	2.58 1/2	2.56 6	2.57 1/2	2.56 3/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.09 3/4	1.11 3/4	1.09 3/4	1.11 3/4	1.10
Mar	1.19 1/4	1.21 1/2	1.19 1/4	1.21 1/4	1.19 3/4
May	1.24 3/4	1.27	1.24 3/4	1.26 3/4	1.25
Jly	1.30 1/2	1.32 1/2	1.30 1/2	1.32 1/2	1.30 1/2
Sep	1.36 1/2	1.37 1/2	1.36 1/2	1.37 1/2	1.36
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Jan	5.92 1/2	5.99 3/4	5.91	5.97 1/4	5.92 1/2

Mar	6.07 1/2	6.14 3/4	6.06	6.12 1/4	6.06 3/4	
May	6.21	6.28	6.19 1/2	6.26 1/4	6.21 1/4	
Jly	6.31	6.39 3/4	6.30 3/4	6.37	6.32 3/4	
Aug	6.33	6.40	6.33	6.39 3/4	6.34 3/4	
Sep	6.23 1/2	6.29 1/2	6.23 1/2	6.29 1/4	6.25	
Nov	6.20 1/2	6.27 1/2	6.20 1/2	6.26 3/4	6.22 1/4	
Jan	6.33	6.39 1/2	6.33	6.39 1/4	6.35	
Mar	6.45 1/2	6.50 1/2	6.45 1/2	6.50	6.47	

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	21.32	21.85	21.32	21.60	21.43
Jan	21.55	21.99	21.55	21.69	21.62
Mar	21.92	22.33	21.87	22.03	21.97
May	22.20	22.54	22.20	22.32	22.28
Jul	22.55	22.70	22.49	22.52	22.45
Aug	22.50	22.55	22.40	22.40	22.35
Sep	22.45	22.50	22.45	22.50	22.40
Oct	22.30	22.45	22.30	22.40	22.30
Dec	22.30	22.40	22.30	22.40	22.30
Jan	22.25	22.35	....	22.30	22.27

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	174.00	176.60	173.70	176.00	174.30
Jan	176.20	178.90	175.80	178.10	176.60
Mar	181.00	183.90	180.80	182.70	181.60
May	184.10	187.00	184.10	185.80	184.70
Jul	187.10	189.30	187.00	188.30	187.50
Aug	188.00	190.30	188.00	189.00	188.20
Sep	188.50	188.50	187.50	187.50	187.20
Oct	185.50	187.40	185.50	185.60	186.00
Dec	187.50	188.50	187.50	188.40	188.50
Jan	187.00	188.00	....	187.50	187.00

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Gold futures closed Thursday 230 to 260 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	373.00	373.00	368.00	371.70	374.20
Jan	372.30	....	....	372.30	374.90
Feb	373.00	374.30	369.10	373.20	375.80
Apr	376.50	377.10	372.50	376.20	378.80
Jun	379.00	380.00	376.00	379.40	381.90
Aug	383.00	383.00	380.50	382.50	385.00
Oct	385.70	....	....	385.70	388.10

Dec	390.00	390.00	386.00	388.90	391.30
Feb	392.00	....	....	392.20	394.60
Apr	394.50	....	....	395.40	397.70
Jun	398.80	....	....	398.80	401.10
Aug	402.40	....	....	402.40	404.70

Open interest: 111,543 up 4,133.
Estimated sales: 36,000 contracts.

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#90340u1184 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (DEC. 6) UPI - Chrysler Corp. plans to idle its light truck plant in Warren, Mich., the week of Dec. 17 and then operate it for two weeks each month through January and February to trim inventories, union and company workers said Thursday.

All U.S. vehicle assembly plans will be closed the last week of December for the holidays.

Bob Moriarty, secretary of United Auto Workers Local 140, said plans currently call for Chrysler to idle its Dodge City plant, which makes mid- and full-sized pickup trucks, for two weeks in January and two weeks in February.

The idlings would affect about 3,200 workers each time, he said.

Chrysler declined to confirm the temporary closings. ''Plans can change on a dime,'' company spokesman Doug Nicoll said, adding that the No. 3 automaker will not issue its early 1991 plant schedules until Dec. 20.

But Chrysler's supply of light trucks are considerably above the 70 to 75-day supply considered normal for this time of year. It had a 123- day supply of mid-sized Dodge Dakotas on hand as of Nov. 30, while its full-sized trucks posted a days' supply equal to 175 days.

Chrysler is not alone in trying to trim light truck supplies, swelled by soft sales because of rising fuel prices and economic uncertainties that have hurt U.S. vehicle sales in general.

Industry General Motors Corp. plans to temporarily close several light truck and van plants for two weeks starting Monday, including ones in Baltimore, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Pontiac, Mich.; and North Tarrytown, N. Y.

GM will also close its Flint, Mich., light truck plant for one week starting Monday, and its Moraine, Ohio, and Shreveport, La., truck plant for one week starting Dec. 17.

GM, which like Ford Motor Co. pared back fourth quarter production dramatically because of the Persian Gulf crisis and the poor economy, will

also idle at least eight North American car plants this month.

A Ford spokesman said all its U.S. car and truck plants are expected to be operating next week, but that several facilities will be idled the week of Dec. 17.

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#90340u1185 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (DEC. 6) UPI - Polish Interior Minister Krzysztof Kozlowski said Thursday that presidential candidate Stanislaw Tyminski came to Poland seven times in the last decade from Tripoli, considered a center of terrorism.

He also revealed that documents found within the ministry show preparations for martial law in Poland began as early as October 1980 - nearly three months before it was imposed.

Tyminski, a Canadian businessman who returned to Poland after 21 years to run for president, faces Solidarity leader Lech Walesa in Sunday's presidential runoff election after beating Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki in the first round.

Tyminski has repeatedly denied visiting Libya despite the fact that all seven of his visas to Poland during the past decade bore serial numbers issued by the Polish Embassy in Tripoli.

Kozlowski and his deputy, Jan Widacki, were showered with questions at a news conference by reporters who criticized Polish security for allowing an unknown candidate from abroad to run for office without checking his files.

''No police organizations collect information about presidential candidates,'' Deputy Interior Minister Jan Widacki said, adding that even the American FBI does not do it.

One reporter implied that Tyminski could be an ''agent.''

''We don't know and we don't have any such information,'' Widacki said.

Kozlowski said the computer confirmed that Tyminski visited Poland seven times in the past decade, always from Tripoli.

''The computer printed out his seven-time stay in Poland,'' Kozlowski said.

Kozlowski said he ordered a check of the computer system after Tyminski's repeated denials and that the computer reconfirmed the information.

''These data cannot be undermined,'' he said.

Tyminski owns an electronic firm in Toronto whose products could be applied to various armament systems, according to the ministry. Widacki said Canadian and U.S. intelligence services became concerned with such a possibility because ''the technology the firm has access to is guarded.''

On another subject, Kozlowski said documents recently found in the ministry building confirmed that preparation for martial law began Oct. 25, 1980, to ''create a condition for the reconstruction of the influence of the Communist Party and the government.''

The president, Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, imposed martial law Dec. 13, 1981, to crush Solidarity.

The latest results published by the state-run CBOS polling agency bolstered Walesa's chances to win Sunday's election. Of 1,476 respondents, 58 percent said they will vote for Walesa and 23 percent for Tyminski.

Both candidates agreed to a televised debate Sunday but Tyminski did not appear at the studio. Tyminski suggested Thursday instead but Thursday morning Walensa rejected the offer.

A statement released by Walesa's campaign staff, citing the earlier agreement, said Thursday was unacceptable.

''With the regular violations by Mr. Tyminski of the basic principles of poitical culture, Lech Walesa does not see the possibility of holding such a discussion,'' it said.

The Roman Catholic daily newspaper Slowo Powszechne carried an interview with Cardinal Jozef Glemp, who said Tyminski surfaced on the political scene because of the growing dissatisfaction with Poland's tough economic reforms under the Mazowiecki administration.

Nevertheless, Tuminski's candidacy is not acceptable, the primate said. ''He is a joke of history,'' Glemp said.

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#90340u1206 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) UPI - Laboratory tests show a potential new AIDS drug may be as powerful as AZT, the only government-authorized drug to fight the AIDS virus, while producing fewer side effects, researchers said Thursday.

Researchers from University of Massachusetts Medical School in Worcester, Mass., and Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals in Ridgefield, Conn., said they hope to begin testing the promising compound on humans early next year.

Scientists found the drug, dubbed B1-RG-587, while screening about 1, 000

substances for those that would knock out reverse transcriptase - an enzyme that the AIDS virus needs to multiply - while leaving similar enzymes in human cells unharmed.

The current standard therapy for AIDS, zidovudine or AZT, blocks reverse transcriptase but also damages similar enzymes in human cells, creating serious side effects like bone marrow suppression. Other experimental drugs in widescale testing, DDI and DDC, act in the same fashion as AZT and produce side effects like pain in the nerve endings and potentially fatal inflammation of the pancreas.

''The significant difference of this compound from AZT is that unlike AZT, it is not capable of inhibiting normal cell growth,'' said Alan Rosenthal, head of research at Boerhinger Ingelheim and co-author of the study published in the journal Science.

In tests on rodents, monkeys and chimpanzees, oral doses of B1-RG-587 did not suppress bone marrow or cause other serious side effects at levels expected to be used in humans. It also appeared better able than the AZT family of drugs to cross from the bloodstream into the brain, Rosenthal said.

''We hope we will be able to have a product that would be useful in control of disease, but it would not be correct to say a 'cure,''' Rosenthal said. ''Our goal is to completely control and suppress the disease to the point a patient could lead a normal life - to arrest the disease in its tracks.''

The compound's ability to thwart the growth of the main type of the AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV-1, appeared equivalent to AZT's power in tests of laboratory strains of HIV and in blood drawn from patients, Rosenthal said.

However, the drug had no effect against HIV-2, a form of the AIDS virus which is very rare in the United States and most prevalent in West Africa. Scientists regard that as an encouraging sign because ''the more specific something is, the more safe it usually is,'' Rosenthal said.

Preliminary evidence also indicates B1-RG-587, which should not be unusually costly to produce, appears active against HIV-1 that has developed resistance to AZT - a finding that could have significant treatment implications, Rosenthal said.

In another study published Wednesday in the journal Science, University of California-San Francisco scientists presented findings that may open a new door to gene therapy for AIDS.

John A.T. Young and his colleagues said their work involving bird viruses and the protein HIV usually uses to enter cells, called the CD-4 receptor, may lead to a better way of killing HIV-infected cells while sparing healthy cells.

In a complicated genetic engineering procedure, researchers found that when they inserted genes carrying instructions for the production of human CD-4 into quail cells containing a virus called the avian leukosis virus, the cells produced new bird virus that bore human CD-4 receptors.

Researchers theorize that the CD-4-coated viruses could home in on human cells infected with actively reproducing HIV because the surface of such cells contain a HIV protein, called gp120, that fits into the CD-4 receptor.

''Right now, for a person with HIV, this doesn't mean anything,'' Young said.

But work is underway to see if the CD-4-bearing viruses zero in on HIV-infected human cells in the test tube, Young said.

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DES MOINES, Iowa (DEC. 6) UPI - A civil liberties organization filed suit in U.S. District Court Thursday contending the Fairfield Daily Ledger violated the religious liberty rights of two journalists who joined an anti-abortion organization.

The suit was filed by the Rutherford Institute on behalf of Terri Lambertsen and John Kennedy, two editors who were fired from the 5,000- circulation newspaper in April after they met at their church and joined a newly formed group that later was called the Jefferson County Right to Life.

Ledger Publisher Byron Kimble and editor Jan Nierling said the firings were justified because the two editors violated the newspaper's policy on outside activities and threatened its reputation for objective reporting on the abortion issue.

Kimble declined further comment Thursday but said the newspaper's policy on outside activities continues in effect.

Lambertsen and Kennedy said their outside activities did not affect their objectivity. They also said their participation in the pro-life group stemmed from their Christian convictions and that the newspaper forced them to choose between their livelihood and their sincerely held religious beliefs.

They also said they weren't told about a policy restricting membership in outside organizations.

The lawsuit contends the newspaper violated the Constitution and the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by failing to reasonably accomodate the journalists' religious beliefs.

''Employers cannot demand as a condition of employment that one waive his or her constitutional rights to free exercise of religion, free association and free speech,'' said attorney Larry Crain, representing the Rutherford Institute, a non-profit organization specializing in defense of religious liberties.

''News workers do not have to lay aside their deepest convictions in order to adhere to a pretense of neutrality demanded by their employer,'' he said.

The suit seeks $250,000 in lost pay and benefits for the two fired journalists as well as attorneys' fees and court costs.

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#90340u1220 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) UPI - White House chief of staff John Sununu all but said Thursday that President Bush would seek re-election in 1992 with Vice President Dan Quayle on the ticket.

''If you had a lot of money to bet, in my opinion, it could be a very good bet that the president and vice president will be running as a strong team,'' said the combative senior official in an interview with United Press International.

Although Bush has not announced that he will seek the Republican nomination for another four-year term, the president doused speculation last year that he would dump Quayle, saying the vice president would be on the GOP ticket.

Sununu said aides are researching President Ronald Reagan's re-election timetable and the pre-campaign moves of other GOP chief executives. ''He will announce at the appropriate time,'' Sununu said.

Reagan formally announced his intention to seek a second term roughly 10 months before the November 1984 election in which he trounced Vice President Walter Mondale.

The president has a full plate of issues when he returns to Washington on Saturday from a six-day swing through Latin America, including the Persian Gulf crisis and the troubled U.S. economy.

Sununu predicted that the downturn in the economy will last for three to six months, adding: ''We would like to do what we can to help it to be short.'' The chief of staff praised moves by the Federal Reserve to lower interest rates and to ease banking restrictions that make it easier to loan money.

On Iraq, Bush is expected to meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz within the next 10 days or so for meetings on the gulf crisis. The president has said that he will not negotiate with Aziz on alternatives to the United Nations's demand that Iraq withdraw its forces from Kuwait.

The president also will meet with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzak Shamir, perhaps on Tuesday, and newly elected British Prime Minister John Major at Camp David on Dec. 21 and 22.

Bush has delayed or canceled trips apparently to be on deck for further developments in the gulf and on the economy.

Bush still is expected to journey to Moscow early next year, perhaps in January, for the fourth summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev where the two leaders will sign the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty. If signed, it would dramatically reduce superpower arsenals of nuclear weapons.

Sununu said the president's State of the Union address is still in the outline stage, although he acknowledged internal White House friction over the blueprint for Bush's speech.

''We are talking about preparing the president's agenda and one of the healthy signs is people are willing to argue, to debate the issues,'' he said.

In recent weeks, a squable over the direction of the administration's domestic agenda has emerged between Office of Management and Budget director Richard Darman and White House policy aide James Pinkerton, who has espoused redirecting government aid in the form of vouchers and tax credits to people in need instead of through traditional government programs.

''There are a lot of strong feelings on issues, but we've had these hot debates on clean air, trade,'' Sununu said. ''But once the president makes a decision everyone has supported it, and I'm sure that will happen here.''

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(DEC. 6) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $27 to $32 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.25 cent to 2.00 cents a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.10 to 2.10 cents a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.20 cent higher to 0.08 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.30 to $2.60 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.10 to $3.30 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 2.20 cents to 3.85 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 2.7 to 3.5 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.026 to 0.033 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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(DEC. 6) UPI - The official Iraq News Agency says President Saddam Hussein asked his rubber-stamp national assembly today to free all the foreign hostages in Iraq and Kuwait. The White House calls that report a ''hopeful sign,'' and Secretary of State Baker told Congress that it is ''a welcome and significant development.''

Western diplomats in the Middle East say Iraq still holds about two- thousand Western and Japanese hostages. The Iraqis had already agreed to allow about 33-hundred Soviet hostages to return home.

Secretary of State Baker told Congress that while he acknowledge that the development was significant- quoting now- ''we do want to see it actually happen.'' But he added that the announcement does NOT lessen the determination that Iraq's occupation of Kuwait must end.

President Bush is in Chile in the fourth leg of a five-nation South American tour. He was informed of the latest developments from Iraq while flying on Air Force One from Argentina, to Santiago. His arrival was marked by pomp, circumstance and the bombing of a McDonalds restaurant.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the Iraqi parliament was expected to approve the release within hours, and he added that the United States will ''do what is necessary'' to get the Americans out.

Italian authorities report 12 people dead, another 62 injured, after an air force training jet slammed into a school on the outskirts of Bologna. The pilot reported that his engine on fire and the controls locked up just before he bailed out after trying to head to open country.

NASA officials are trying to figure if they can take back ground control of a troubled 150-Million-dollar telescope payload. The second, and remaining, computer aboard the shuttle Columbia failed earlier today, leaving the astronauts with NO way to aim the telescope system.

Two elder statesmen in the House have lost important committe leadership

posts. Members ousted 75-year-old Illinois Democrat Frank Annunzio as head of the House Administration Committee. And 77-year-old California Democrat Glenn Anderson is out as head of the Public Works and Transportation Committee.

Canada today is marking the first anniversary of the shooting rampage by a gunman who blamed women for his failures in life. the gunman shot and killed 14 women at a Montreal university before taking his own life. The school is closed today, and officials are holding a memorial service at the huge Notre Dame Cathedral in Montreal.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - The jury in the Central Park rape and beating trial struggled through its seventh day of deliberations Thursday reviewing testimony about hairs found on one defendant's clothing.

A pubic hair and two head hairs similar to that of the blonde jogger attacked April 19, 1989, were found on the clothing of Kevin Richardson, one of two black teenagers on trial.

Richardson, 16, and Kharey Wise, 18, are charged with 13 criminal counts stemming from the random crime spree by a gang of up to 30 youths.

Defense lawyers say the youths are innocent and were arrested only because they are black and the victim was white and well-to-do.

A head hair similar in color and texture to the jogger's was found on Richardson's underwear and on his jeans. A pubic hair similar to the woman's was found on his sweatshirt.

The hairs represent the only physical evidence linking any of the youths to the violence.

The prosecutor's most powerful tool is the videotaped confessions of Richardson and Wise. Richardson admits getting scratched by the woman, but claims he was trying to stop the attack. Wise admits ''playing with her leg'' while the rape was under way.

The five-man, seven woman panel also asked to hear the legal definition of sodomy and wanted to examine again clothing taken from the youths after their arrest.

They also asked to look at glossy photographs of the jogger's injuries and the crime scene off a jogging path near the park's 102nd Street Transverse.

The gang roamed the moonlit park, randoming robbing and beating joggers and bicyclists.

The most seriously injured victim was the 30-year-old investment banker who was gang raped, beaten into a coma and left for dead in a muddy gully.

Richardson is free on $25,000 bail. Wise has been held at Rikers Island on $50,000 bail since his arrest days after the attack.

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CONCORD, NH (DEC. 6) UPI - Opponents of the $2.3 billion buyout of Public Service Co. of New Hampshire by Northeast Utilities of Connecticut told the state Supreme Court on Thursday that utility regulators failed to do their job when they approved the deal.

But lawyers for the utilities and the state replied that the takeover was fair to everyone and overturning it now would harm the company and the state's economy.

The acquisition, which was approved in December 1989 by a special session of the Legislature as well as the Public Utilities Commission, was aimed at bringing PSNH out of bankruptcy. The plan calls for seven annual rate hikes of 5.5 percent.

In oral arguments before the high court justices, Robert Backus, attorney for the Campaign for Ratepayers Rights, said that the legislation approving the PSNH takeover required that the PUC carefully review the plan to determine that the rates included in it were "just and reasonable."

Backus charged that the buyout plan reversed the process of setting utility rates, which is ordinarily done by determining the cost of producing the power and adding a reasonable rate of return.

"(The amount of needed revenue) was found, then the process was turned backwards to determine the rates," he said. "The task that the Legislature intended to be performed has not been done. The PUC was not intended to be a rubber stamp."

Backus said financial statements in the bankruptcy case listed the value of PSNH's 35.6 percent share of the Seabrook nuclear power plant at $700 million. But he said Northeast later tacked on an "acquisition premium" of $800 million to boost the value of the plant in the PUC rate case.

The acquisition was also challenged by Robert C. Richards, a PSNH stockholder, who argued that common stockholders did not receive enough value for their shares.

"Common stockholders were not represented (in the negotiations)," Richards

said. "Management did not represent them and the creditors committee was dominated by holders of preferred stock."

Thomas Rath, the attorney for Northeast who played a major role in brokering the deal, said the Legislature and the PUC gave the proposal extensive review before approving it. He said regulators would have rejected it if it were not "reasonable and prudent."

"The PUC had all of its authority to say no, to reject the rates," Rath said. "The PUC accomplished the balancing act of setting just and reasonable rates."

Asst. Attorney General Harry Judd urged the justices to reject the appeal because starting over with a new proposal would create economic instability. "The economic health of the state is tied to the resolution of the bankruptcy of PSNH," Judd said. There was no immediate indication of when the justices would rule on the appeal.

PSNH filed for bankruptcy court protection on Jan. 28, 1988 because of the burden of its investment in Seabrook. The company is being operated by Northeast Utilities under a temporary management contract until the takeover is completed early next year.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 6) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.37-2.42 1/2 up 7 1/4 to off 7.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.92 1/4- 5.95 1/4 up 8 3/4 to off 6 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.27 1/4-2.30 1/4 up 3 1/2 to off 1 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.37 1/4-2.39 3/4 up 3 1/4 to off 1.

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#90340u1283 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 6) UPI - Directors of more than 3,000 state-run enterprises met Thursday to press for continued central control of the economy and were assured by Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov that the state sector will remain a key in the Soviet system.

Some of those at the meeting lashed out at President Mikhail Gorbachev's perestroika reforms, blaming them for the economic crisis by destroying the

state control system.

The directorships of state enterprises are generally limited to loyal communists and the group that filled a hall at the Kremlin seemed to reflect the conservative wing of the party.

A director from an enterprise in Estonia told Gorbachev, who attended the meeting with Ryzhkov and other top officials, that perestroika is leading the Soviet Union "not in a constructive but a destructive direction," according to the independent Interfax news agency.

"Today's soviets (government councils) are incompetent," said the director, identified only as Shepelevich. "They are leading the country to anarchy and chaos. Large-scale political struggle is under way. We are heading toward the disintegration of the country."

The harsh words were greeted by applause and murmurs of agreement from the directors, but Gorbachev retorted, "You are laying it on thick. What else shall we do? Do you mean we shall retreat?" Shepelevich suggested Gorbachev declare an "economic state of emergency" and impose a moratorium on economic sovereignty of Soviet republics through 1991.

Conservative communists blame food shortages and most of the country's other economic ills on the liberalization of the strong central command system, disregarding evidence that 70 years of communism crippled the economy before reforms were attempted.

The state enterprise directors echoed recent calls for the government to reimpose strong central control, with Anatoly Denisov, director of the Kirovochepetsk Chemical Mill, urging Gorbachev to "hold the helm tightly and rule firmly."

Gorbachev was expected to address the meeting Friday, but Ryzhkov assured the enterprise bosses that state-run businesses would continue to be a key part of the Soviet economy despite the moves toward a market system.

"It is evident now that an extremely negative role was played by hasty measures to dismantle the former system of management of the national economy without setting up new economic structures," said Ryzhkov, whose cautious approach to economic reform has led to calls for his ouster by supporters of a market system.

"I know that a number of leaders of big enterprises voice fears about the state sector of the economy," Ryzhkov said. "I must say that rushing from one extreme to another, from domineering state property to elimination of this sector, is inadmissable here. This would be a fatal mistake. In the near future and in the long run as well the state sector will cover a number of key spheres in the national economy."

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#90340u1291 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
AUSTIN, Texas (DEC. 6) UPI - Texas is one of the nation's most successful exporters, accounting for $38 billion in sales - almost 11 percent of all U.S. exports - in 1989, the state comptroller's office said Thursday.

Exports represented more than 11 percent of all goods and services produced by Texas last year, and export sales have grown 2 1/2 times faster than the overall gross state product since 1987, the agency said in its monthly newsletter, ''Fiscal Notes.''

''This economic importance translates into jobs,'' the publication said. ''Texas exports directly or indirectly supported nearly 15 percent of all Texas jobs in 1989.''

The largest share of exports come from manufacturing, particularly chemicals, oil field machinery and computer parts, followed by agricultural products.

Mexico, Canada and Japan are the state's largest foreign customers, but Texas products are purchased by almost every region in every country of the world, including China and the Soviet Union, the article said.

Mexico, the largest buyer of Texas goods, bought more than $11 billion worth of Texas products in 1989, just under 29 percent of all the state's exports.

The $38 billion in Texas products shipped to other countries last year represented 11 percent of all U.S. exports and ranked second only to California's $54 billion. Third-ranked New York had $27 billion in exports.

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#90340u1300 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
BOSTON (DEC. 6) UPI - Overfishing of such species as cod, haddock and flounder is endangering staples of both the New England diet and the region's economy, according to a report released Thursday.

The Massachusetts Offshore Groundfish Task Force, which released the report at a Boston news conference, urged steps to curb overfishing before the supply is wiped out.

''Massachusetts' offshore fishery represents one of the most unique and prolific life support systems in the world, and we manage it no better than Brazil manages its rain forests,'' said John DeVillars, state secretary of environmental affairs.

''We've overfished our waters for far too long, and if we keep it up, we stand

the very real risk of economic catastrophe for our commercial fishing industry and the unforgiveable loss of a precious marine resource,'' he said.

DeVillars said quotas and stricter enforcement of fishing codes are needed to protect fish stock. He also said closing certain fishing grounds, especially during spawning seasons, would protect young fish.

Walter Bickford, commissioner of the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, also stressed the need for stricter enforcement and policy changes.

''The abuses - both legal and illegal - which have led to overfishing must be stopped,'' Bickford said.

''Policies which have flooded our waters with new boats even as fish stocks plummeted must be changed. Enforcement to punish fishermen who violate minimum net mesh sizes - and thereby kill whole generations of critical juvenile stock - must be effective,'' he said.

The task force's findings included:

-Landings of groundfish have hit all-time lows. Haddock and redfish yield less than 10 percent of their potential.

-Consumers in Massachusetts are paying an estimated $19 million more per year than they would if fish stocks were properly maintained.

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CANCUN, Mexico (DEC. 6) UPI - Natural gas will be the premier fuel of the decade for Texas and United States, winning an increasing market share of the nation's energy mix, a Texas energy industry expert said Thursday.

Speaking to a conference of indepdendent oil producing countries, James Nugent of the Texas Railroad Commission, ''Dynamic forces are at work in the U.S. and world economies that will reduce our oil consumption and increase use of our more plentiful natural gas reserves. ''

The Texas Railroad Commission regulates the energy industry in the state.

Nugent said although the U.S. is the leading market for the world's oil, expanding markets for natural gas in the Northeast, fuel-switching in industrial and electric utility markets, the search for alternate fuels in the transportation industry, and environmental initiatives like the Clean Air Act will work together to boost natural gas demand at the expense of imported oil.

He said as much as 570,000 barrels a day of residential, industrial and utility oil consumption could be replaced by natural gas as early as two years

with much of that fuel-switching taking place in the Northeast.

He said 95 percent of the petroleum products imported into the U.S. last year were brought into New England and the Middle Atlantic states, making the region a prime gas market.

Nationwide, if crude oil prices in 1991 remain above $20 a barrel, estimates show some 40 billion cubic feet of natural gas will replace oil as a result of fuel-switching.

Other attractive markets will be opening as vehicle fleet owners expand their use of compressed natural gas as an alternate motor fuel. Nugent estimated that if all centrally-refueled fleet vehicles in the United States were run on compressed natural gas, U.S. oil imports would be reduced by some 140 million barrels a year.

''The recently-enacted Clean Air Act will also increase demand for clean-burning natural gas as industrial plants and electric utilities across the United States are required to reduce emissions,'' Nugent said.

If the 37 proposed pipeline projects now pending before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission were expedited and approved, Nugent said, they would have the potential to displace up to 55,000 barrels a day of petroleum imports by the end of next year, and nearly 600,000 barrels a day by 1994.

''We have plentiful and secure natural gas supplies in the United States, over a 60-year supply at current production levels, and over a 100-year supply if we use advanced technologies and recovery efficiencies. It is only logical that U.S. energy policy exploit these secure, abundant reserves in the future '' he said.

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(DEC. 6) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Mixed in heavy trading.

Bonds - Higher.

American Stocks - Mixed in active trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Mixed.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1 1/4 to up 1, soybeans up 3 to 5 1/2, wheat up 1 1/2 to 3 1/2 and oats up 1 1/2 to 2.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90340u1315 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - The American paper industry Thursday announced plans to expand the use of recycled paper in its production and said it expects to reach its goal of recovering 40 percent of the paper used in the United States by 1995.

The industry's main trade group, the American Paper Institute Inc., said at a news conference that it aims to increase its consumption of waste paper by 7.2 percent a year for the next three years, higher than the previously forecast 5.9 percent.

The group said consumption of waste paper at mills in the United States is now growing at a rate more than twice that of all other fiber sources. By 1993, the waste paper stream is expected to account for nearly 30 percent of all fiber consumed at domestic mills. About 32 percent of all paper consumed domestically is now recovered for reuse by the paper industry, the group said.

API President Red Cavaney, announcing the institute's annual Capacity Survey, said paper companies are investing in new recycling facilities which will increase the consumption of waste paper by about five million tons a year by 1993.

The survey found that in 1989, 60 percent of all primary manufacturing plant in the industry has been newly installed or significantly upgraded within the last ten years. The investment in new plant represents a capital investment of about $82 billion from 1980 to 1989, the survey said.

"In 1993, if the mills operate at full capacity, 27,148,000 tons of waste paper, or 33 percent more than in 1989, would be processed and used to manufacture new paper and paperboard," Caveney said in the report.

Responding to a question as to whether the industry would be able to use the increasing supply of waste paper coming from local recycling programs, Canavey said, "We think that over time we will be able to find a home for most of the waste paper."

He added that of 500 mills in the United States using waste paper, about 200 use that material only, while the remainder use some portion of it in their production. He said API is about to distribute a directory of mills using recycled paper to local governments and communities nationwide.

Cavaney said the industry is now projected to expand at about 2.9 percent a year, or closer to the historical rate of 2.4 percent than the 3.4 percent reported by producers last year.

The industry's newsprint capacity is expected to increase by an unusually large 8.4 percent this year as a result of four new paper machines, two of which are associated with waste paper drinking plants.

The new machines will bring the industry's capacity for newsprint production to 6,828,000 tons in 1990. Further addition of plant will result in newsprint capacity of 7,430,000 tons by 1993, or a 2.9 percent per-annum growth over three years.

At least 14 major producers are actively studying or have made commitments to install drinking plants in their mills, the institute said, and these are expected to increase the consumption of old newspapers by 808,000 tons, or almost 50 percent from 1990 to 1993.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - The lead singer of Blood, Sweat & Tears filed a $120 million lawsuit against Milli Vanilli on Thursday, claiming the duo stole his 1960s hit and turned it into their rap-infused song ''All or Nothing.''

''This lawsuit is about the song they never wrote on the album they never sang '' said Robert Marcus, a lawyer who filed the suit at state Supreme Court in Manhattan on behalf of singer David Clayton-Thomas.

Milli Vanilli were stripped of their Grammy award after it was revealed the duo never sang a word on their album, ''Girl You Know It's True.''

Now, Clayton-Thomas is suing them for copyright infringement.

He claims they stole the melody to his hit ''Spinning Wheel'' and used it to create ''All or Nothing,'' which is part of the controversial album.

The lawsuit names Milli Vanilli, their creator Frank Farian and EMI Music Publishing.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	67 3-8	off	1-8
AT&T Company	30 1-8	unch	
BCE Inc	34 1-2	unch	
Bell Atlantic	55 1-2	up	1-4
BellSouth Corp	54 3-8	up	1-8
Exxon Corp	49 3-8	off	7-8
Ford Motor Co	27 5-8	up	1-8
Genl Electric	57 3-8	up	3-8
General Motors	37 1-8	unch	
GTE Corp	28 3-8	off	7-8
IBM Corp	111 3-8	off 3	1-4
Mobil Oil Corp	56 3-8	off 1	1-2
Nynex Corp	71 7-8	up	1-4
Pac Gas & Elec	25 3-8	up	1-8
Pacific Telesis	45 1-8	off	1-2
Phila Electric	17 1-4	off	1-4
Sears Roebuck	26 1-2	up	1-4
Southern Co	27	off	3-8
Sthwestern Bell	56 1-8	unch	
US West Inc	37 1-2	up	1-8

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1014.5
Wednesday	1007.8
Week ago	1014.4
Month ago	1034.2
Year ago	1063.5
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1007.8

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.03

60 to 89 days 7.70

90 to 119 days 7.60

120 to 149 days 7.60

150 to 179 days 7.50

180 to 270 days 7.40

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.10 - 7.65

Issuers 30 days 7.96

Issuers 90 days 7.68

Issuers 270 days 7.34

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.07

60 to 89 days 7.97

90 to 119 days 7.87

120 to 149 days 7.87

150 to 179 days 7.85

180 days 7.84

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 7-16 - 7 9-16

1 month 7 9-16 - 7 11-16

3 month 7.875 - 8

6 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

Year 7 11-16 - 7 13-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 7.01 - 6.99

6 months 6.89 - 6.87

Year 6.81 - 6.79

Federal Funds: High 7 3/8, Low 7 5-16, Close 7 3/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7. 559 off 0.037.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90340u1356 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - The dollar dropped Thursday in New York currency trading on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's pledge to release all foreign hostages, which undermined dollar support coming from fears of Mideast war.

Saddam asked the rubber-stamp Iraqi National Assembly to "lift the ban on the travel of all foreigners" from Iraq, where about 6,000 were being held. Iraq's ambassador in Washington said captives could be home by Christmas. The U.S. administration welcomed the development and said it showed that its military and diplomatic pressure on Iraq was working.

The Iraqi announcement significantly increased financial market expectations that a peaceful solution might be found. That weakened the dollar, into which investors have fled for security at times of peak tensions.

In late New York trading, the dollar was at 1.4875 German marks, down from 1.4990 marks Wednesday, and at 132.20 Japanese yen, off from 133.55. The British pound moved up to $1.9400 compared with $1.9260.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2716 Swiss francs, off from 1.2785; 5.0500 French francs, down from 5.0750; and 1,121.75 Italian lire, off from 1,127.50.

"Mideast tensions have been supporting the dollar," said Harris Bank currency

adviser and vice president Earl Johnson, "and if this continues I think you're going to start focusing on the U.S. economy, and that's bearish."

The dollar's decline did not match that of oil prices, though, as uncertainty lingered as to the final outcome of the Gulf crisis, which opened Aug. 2 with the Iraqi invasion and occupation of Kuwait, Johnson said.

The price of a barrel of oil, which stood at over $32 last week, Thursday was approaching $26 - a drop of more than 21 percent.

In Europe, the dollar closed mostly lower after Saddam's surprise promise to release the Western hostages. It also was hurt by persistent speculation that the German Bundesbank would raise its key interest rates.

Currency analyst Gwynn Hache of James Capel, an investment bank, pointed to a "knee-jerk reaction" to the Iraqi announcement. "The more the Gulf settles, the more the dollar loses safe-haven status," he said. Weak U.S. economic performance and expectations of a higher American jobless rate in date to be released Friday also weakened the dollar.

In Frankfurt, the dollar closed lower at 1.4875 German marks against 1.4990 at Wednesday's close. In Zurich, the dollar also closed lower at 1.2705 Swiss francs, vs. 1.2825 the previous day. The pound strengthened, fetching $1.9390 compared with $1.9225.

In Paris and Brussels, the dollar fell to 5.0540 French francs from 5.0730, and to 30.88 Belgian francs vs. 31.07. But it gained in Milan, to 1,125.50 Italian lire against 1,124.35.

Earlier, the dollar surged against the Japanese yen as a side-effect of heavy sales of the yen for the mark, closing at 134.07 yen vs. 133.42 yen.

Participants sold yen for dollars to finance purchases of the German mark on speculation that German interest rates will climb, said Junpei Ishi, a senior vice president of the Taiyo Kobe Mitsui Bank.

In Zurich, gold closed lower at $368.50 an ounce vs. $377.50. In London, the precious metal declined to $370 an ounce from $377.50.

Silver in Zurich closed unchanged at $4.15 an ounce. In London, silver closed lower at $4.12 an ounce from $4.17.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $370.75 an ounce, down from $373. The New York Commodity Exchange settled gold contracts at $371.70 an ounce, also down from $374.20.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.145 an ounce, off from $4.155. Comex silver finished trading at $4.121 an ounce, a decline from $4.148.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.87	unchanged
10 Public Utils	92.78	off 0.10
10 Industrials	88.96	up 0.10

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#90340u1361 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 6) UPI - The nation's major retailers Thursday reported weak November sales, continuing the pattern of recent months and raising fears the all-important Christmas shopping season could be the worst in more than a decade.

Stores again suffered from slumping consumer confidence brought on by higher gasoline and heating-oil prices, fear of war in the Middle East and a declining economy, analysts said.

Analysts said the figures point to a sharp fall in retail industry earnings for the Christmas period and a Christmas shopping season marked by heavy promotional selling as retailers attempt to move inventory.

"The November sales were extremely weak and even below our most conservative expectations," said Jeffrey Feiner, first vice president at Merrill Lynch. "There has been a deterioration since Thanksgiving that leads us to believe that this could be one of the most difficult Christmases in 15 years."

He said Merrill Lynch had been predicting flat earnings for the Christmas season but is now looking at a dropoff in earnings of between ten percent and 15 percent.

Among the nation's three largest retailers, Sears Merchandise Group, based in Chicago, reported a 2.4 percent fall in comparable-store sales, or sales from stores that have been open over a year. The group's overall revenues fell to $3.09 billion, 1.6 percent below November 1989 levels.

K mart Corp. of Troy, Mich., reported a 1.5 percent fall in same-store sales and an increase of 5.1 percent in overall sales to $2.87 billion. Wal-Mart Stores Inc. of Bentonville, Ark., recorded increases of seven percent in same-store sales and in overall sales to $3.22 billion.

But Wal-Mart, the stand-out performer of the biggest retailers in recent months, showed a marked drop in November's same-store sales growth compared

with 1989, when it reported a 12 percent monthly increase.

Kurt Barnard, publisher of Retail Marketing Report, an industry newsletter, called the overall sales figures "terrible" but not surprising: "The figures are the result of concern about a recession and more money being spent for gasoline and home-heating oil, leaving people with less money to spend in the stores.

"This is a clear indication of where Christmas sales are going, and all we can do now is look forward hopefully to an improvement in the second half of next year."

Many retailers have a sense of resignation that Christmas is going to be "a great struggle, which will at best leave them with results that are going to be flat with last year," said Barnard.

But the significance of the November figures was downplayed by Alan Silverman, managing director of Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. He said the shopping season would really begin in the last two weeks before Christmas but warned 1991 would be a "disaster" because of federal restriction of the money supply.

Among other major retailers, J.C. Penney of Dallas reported a 4.6 percent fall in same-store sales and a 3.1 percent decline in overall sales to $1.50 billion.

Minneapolis-based Dayton Hudson Corp. said total sales rose 37.4 percent to $1.55 billion. Same-store sales rose 21.4 percent, reflecting what the retailer said was a seven-day shift in the Christmas season between the 1990 and the 1989 accounting calendar.

Gap Inc., the San Francisco-based apparel retailer that has been one of the best performers of recent months, recorded a same-store sales gain of six percent and an overall sale increase of 18 percent to $152 million. The Limited Inc. of Columbus, Ohio, reported a four percent rise in same-store sales and a 24 percent increase in overall sales to $508.5 million.

New York-based Woolworth Corp. said its domestic same-store sales rose 1.3 percent while total sales, including its overseas operations, advanced 7.9 percent to $904 million.

Despite the gloom, Barnard predicted the retail environment would rebound by next fall as oil prices fall and healthy export and agricultural sectors continue to shore up the general economy. "All this will give rise to pent-up demand that will burst forth toward the third quarter," Barnard said.

But he cautioned that retailers could not expect a return to the "heady" days of the 1980s. "The consumer that emerges from the downturn will be a very thoughtful and basically a very frugal consumer," he said.

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#90340u1369 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 6) UPI - Secretary of State Baker says the word from Iraq that all foreign hostages may be freed is an indication that diplomatic and military pressure is working. Baker told Congress this morning that it is NO coincidence that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein called on his rubber-stamp parliament to free the hostages just one week after the U-N Security Council approved the use of force in the Persian Gulf.

President Bush was told of the new Iraqi developments aboard Air Force One on the way from Argentina to Chile on his South American tour. A spokesman termed the word from Iraq a ''hopeful sign.'' Across the nation, families of the American hostages in Iraq and Kuwait were elated at the news, though some maintained some cautious skepticism. Ingrid Pawlowski- who left her husband in hiding in Kuwait when she and her seven-year-old daughter fled- says ''I'm afraid to get too excited until it's really the real thing.''

Secretary of State Baker appeared before the House Foreign Affairs Committee and called the word from Iraq a ''welcome and significant development.'' But he also said officials would wait to see the hostages actually freed. And Baker warned that the development should NOT take attention away from the U-N Security Council resolutions that demand an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the restoration of the Kuwaiti government.

Secretary of State Baker says the United States is NOT backing any proposal for an international conference to settle the Arab-Israeli conflict. A draft resolution to that effect is circulating in the United Nations. It says there may be the need for such a meeting at a later, unspecified date, without any linkage to the current Persian Gulf crisis. Baker says the U-S position remains the same, that a properly structured conference at an appropriate time might be useful. But he says this is NOT the time.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir also downplays the idea of an international conference, saying the United States is well aware of his stand. Shamir has talked before of direct negotiations between Israel and its Arab neighbors. His comments come as he prepares to leave for talks in London with newly installed Prime Minister John Major. Shamir will later head to Washington for meetings with President Bush.

The 150-Million-dollar set of telescopes in orbit around the earth on the shuttle Columbia has NO computer for guidance. A second computer shut down this morning after the shuttle crew reported smelling a burning odor. The astronauts earlier had removed panels from the first computer that failed on Sunday. They found the vents clogged with lint and dust, something that may have caused it to overheat. Officials are NOT optimistic that either computer can be re-started. That could mean that controllers will have to see if they

can aim the telescopes from the ground.

Officials in Manila say the U-S-Philippine negotiations on the future of U-S military bases could NOT break an impasse today over Filipino demands for criminal jurisdiction over the facilities. The technical- level groups that have been discussing the subject since November 29th reported the impassed today during a formal meeting of the two sides. One official says he does NOT believe an agreement can be reached before the last session on Friday. He says the negotiations will have to resume in January.

The creator of the comic strip ''Funky Winkerbean'' is in a funk of his own. Thomas Batiuk has filed suit in Ohio against the North America Syndicate, saying it is failing to promote his strip through merchandise and books. Batiuk was a junior high school art teacher in Elyria, Ohio, when he signed on with the syndicate to handle his strip in 1971. He wants changes in a contract that requires that he produce seven strips a week- forever.

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#90340u1374 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2602.48	off	7.92
20 Trans	913.79	up	10.12
15 Utils	211.27	off	1.44
65 Stocks	916.60	off	0.05

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#90340u1377 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Indexes - close.

Composite	179.71	off	0.40
Industrial	221.86	off	0.24
Transport	142.87	up	1.28
Utility	91.30	off	0.41
Finance	123.47	off	1.06

Equivalent to a loss of 7 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 256,380,000 shares.

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#90340u1378 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 6) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	179.71	off	0.40
ASE Market Value Index	306.35	up	0.94
Dow-Jones Industrial	2602.48	off	7.92

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#90340u1379 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 307.76, low 305.29, close 306.35, up 0.94.

There was a gain of 3 cents in the average share price.

Volume 17,180,000 shares, compared with 12, 900,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	20
New Lows	38
Advances	323
Declines	266
Unchanged	257
Total Issues	846

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#90340u1384 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks -	17,180,000 shares
1990 to date -	3,150,475,415
Bonds -	$3,560,000
1990 to date -	$701,128,000

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#90340u1385 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks -	256,380,000 shares
1990 to date -	37,380,131,681
Warrants -	2,149,800
1990 to date -	244,672,600

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#90340u1399 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (DEC. 6) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Thursday -	14,406,000
1990 to date -	2,323,322,000

The market closed mixed.

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#90340u1400 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Apple Cptr	(AAPL)	182,707,008	41 1/4	up 1 1/8
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	112,092,096	20 1/8	up 1/2
Microsoft	(MSFT)	107,352,728	74 3/4	off 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTL)	87,978,184	38 3/8	up 1/8
Sun Micro	(SUNW)	76,364,800	23	up 1/4
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	69,901,272	53 3/4	off 2 1/4
Autodesk	(ACAD)	39,118,780	50 1/4	off 1/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	37,515,736	31 1/2	off 1 1/4
Reuters Hld	(RTRS)	31,802,326	37 3/4	up 5/8
Medco Rsch	(MEDR)	31,753,368	31 1/4	up 1/8

Composite Index 164.28 up 0.65

NMS volume 158,116,608 shares.

Advances	931
Declines	714
Unchanged	1,125
Total	2,770

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#90340u1403 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2642.33	2656.44	2589.36	2602.48	off 7.92
20 Trans	930.47	939.09	907.61	913.79	up 10.12
15 Utils	213.47	214.47	210.01	211.27	off 1.44
65 Stock	930.53	936.35	911.42	916.60	off 0.05

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	35,200,700	23,016,200
Trans	7,571,300	5,212,500
Utils	5,383,800	2,527,900
65 Stock	48,155,800	30,756,600

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	90.87	unchanged
10 Public Utils	92.78	off 0.10
10 Industrials	88.96	up 0.10

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 124.49 up 0.19.

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#90340u1422 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 6) UPI - Sears, Roebuck & Co. has told 20,000 managers their salaries will be frozen for at least a year, but analysts said Thursday the pay freeze is just the tip of a cost-cutting iceberg for the nation's No. 1 retailer.

Analysts said they expect Sears to announce major cost-cutting moves after the first of the year - aimed at paring expenses by $500 million to $1 billion.

But a Sears spokesman, asked Thursday about further cost-cutting plans, said: "At this point I'm not aware of any announcement ... or any such plans in the pipeline."

On Wednesday, Sears informed 20,000 salaried workers their 1991 salaries would be frozen at present levels. Those workers normally would have expected pay raises of five percent to seven percent.

"The salary freeze is part of the company's ongoing, company-wide cost-reduction program," the Sears spokesman said Thursday. "It involved all levels of Sears management, in its corporate offices and in the domestic merchandise group," he said. "The policy is effective beginning Jan. 1 for 12 months and would be reviewed as conditions warrant after that 12-month period."

But securities analysts said the pay freeze is just the beginning. "I still think there's probably a bigger announcement coming, probably early next year, which will entail a much bigger cost-cutting program," said Daniel Barry, a retail industry analyst at Kidder, Peabody & Co. in New York.

Analysts said elimination of furniture departments and the shutdown of unprofitable or marginal stores are among the possibilities open to Sears. Sears Chairman Edward Brennan took over direct responsibility for Sears Merchandise Group in July, and analysts predicted he would be aggressive about cutting costs.

"I think most people expected him to make changes, particularly in cost-cutting," said Barry. "The first major one was two months ago, when he consolidated the headquarters staff with the staff of the merchandise group, and there were some severence packages offered." "These pay cuts are really the second major move," he said, adding they are far from the last.

"There's just a general feeling that he's going to really cut costs. That's something investors have been arguing for years and he'll probably start doing that soon," Barry said.

Sears' stock has been regarded for some time on Wall Street as a laggard, in part because the retailer has given the appearance of being unconcerned about keeping costs in line.

In active trading on the New York Stock Exchange Thursday, Sears closed at $26.625 a share, up 37.5 cents on the day. The stock moved up by that same amount Wednesday.

"People have thrown out the figure of a half billion to a billion dollars to be taken out of the cost structure," Barry said, estimating the pay freeze would save Sears $25 million to $40 million - or four cents to seven cents a share.

N. Richard Nelson, retail analyst for the Chicago-based debt-rating firm Duff & Phelps Inc., estimated the pay freeze could save up to $50 million, but heagreed that bigger cost-cutting moves are expected. "The pay cut is indicative of some of the changes that are going to be occurring on the cost-cutting equation," said Nelson.

"I think they definitely needed to take a good hard look at the cost side of the equation. Given the economic environment, sales increases are really hard to come by, so you have to focus on costs. And by my calculations, Sears is over-expensed by $500 million to $1 billion," Nelson said.

"But there's a lot more to come," he said. "I think this is one of many announcements we're going to be seeing from Sears in terms of cost reduction."

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#90340u1423 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Citicorp	3,985,600	14 7/8	off 7/8
NCR Corp	3,857,400	92 3/4	up 6 1/8
First Chicago	3,728,700	21	off 1/8
Toys R Us	3,643,500	22 7/8	unch
AT&T Company	3,619,100	30 1/8	unch
IBM Corp	3,389,800	111 1/2	off 3 1/8
Limited Inc	3,296,500	16 7/8	up 3/8
Philip Morris	3,141,500	50 1/8	up 3/8
Amer Express	2,914,300	22 5/8	off 1/8
Genl Electric	2,855,700	57 1/2	up 1/2
Gen Motors	2,784,700	37 1/8	unch
USX Corp	2,586,000	30 1/2	off 7/8
BankAmerica	2,501,100	25 1/4	off 7/8

Fedl Natl Mtg	2,499,500	33 1/2	off	3/4
Waste Mngt	2,365,400	36 1/8	up	5/8

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#90340u1429 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.	
BAT Industries	2,048,400	11 3/16	off	5/16
Contl Air Hldgs	1,332,000	2 1/8	up	3/8
Western Digital	1,275,800	5 1/8	off	1/8
Fruit of Loom	599,000	9	unch	
Amdahl Corp	494,900	13 7/8	unch	
Carnival Cruise	426,000	14 3/4	off	1/8
PW Group wtB	384,400	9 5/8	unch	
Air & Water Tch	381,600	19	up	1 3/8
Diasonics Inc	340,500	2 9/16	up	1/8
Salomon wt93Jan	319,700	19	off	3/8

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(DEC. 6) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	243.20	244.60	240.70	242.60	241.65
Mar	245.30	246.50	243.10	244.65	243.65
Jun	....	....	....	246.55	245.55
Sep	....	....	....	248.95	247.95

Estimated volume: 164 contracts.

Open interest: 1,446 off 1.

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	335.50	335.50	329.10	330.50	331.80
Mar	339.00	339.00	331.90	333.25	334.50
Jun	342.00	342.00	335.00	336.45	337.65
Sep	....	343.50	338.00	339.50	340.45

Estimated volume: 71,221 contracts.

Open interest: 161,337 off 1,330

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	182.50	183.00	179.50	180.35	181.15
Mar	184.00	184.50	180.90	181.80	182.50
Jun	185.20	185.20	185.20	183.20	183.80

Open interest: 4,453 off 39.

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	552.50	554.75	544.00	546.65	548.85
Jan	556.10	556.50	546.50	548.70	550.90
Feb	548.10	548.80	547.25	548.80	551.00

Estimated volume: 3,685 contracts.

Open interest: 9,629 up 637.

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#90340u1448 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	372.29	up	1.42	355.75	456.31
Industrial	402.27	up	0.33	385.17	445.97
Finance	368.66	up	2.01	346.97	516.34
Insurance	448.48	up	2.51	425.12	559.05
Utility	472.73	up	7.90	462.30	738.89
Bank	259.21	up	1.32	248.56	408.65
Transport	410.50	up	2.42	385.28	485.06

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 164.28 up 0.65

Industrial Index 160.51 up 0.15

NASDAQ-100 Index 398.97 up 0.92

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#90340u1449 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

PANAMA CITY, Panama (DEC. 6) UPI - Panama returned to normal Thursday following a failed police uprising that left one dead and five injured, the U.S. Southern Command said.

Stores reopened and a dawn-to-dusk curfew for parts of Panama City was lifted one day after about 100 rebel policemen led by former Police Chief Eduardo Herrera Hassan seized police headquarters.

At the request of President Guillermo Endara, about 500 U.S. troops surrounded the headquarters.

After a 10-hour standoff, the police tried to leave the building and walk to the National Assembly to demand better pay and conditions for the force. But the soldiers moved in and arrested Herrera and 36 rebel policemen.

Panamanian reporters blamed heavily armed U.S. troops for most of the casualties but the Southern Command was vague about the circumstances surrounding the violence.

Police Sgt. Filemon Montero Del Rosario was shot and killed Wednesday as rebels tried to leave police headquarters. The Southern Command said he wsas shot in the back by an identified assailant.

Two Panamanian news photographers were also injured as they covered the event. Panamanians newspapers said U.S. troops hit them with rifle butts. The Southern Command said one of the men fell off a wall and that the cause of injuries to the other photographer were ''unknown.''

''We denounce this new outrage and insult to the rights of journalists by invading troops,'' the Panamanian Journalists' Union said in a statement released Thursday.

One U.S. soldier was slightly injured.

Endara called the uprising a ''coup attempt'' and said the vast majority of the police force proved its loyalty to his government by ignoring Herrera's calls for support.

The 12,000-member police force - trained and equipped by the United States - was built from former military ruler Manuel Noriega's army after the U.S. invasion last December.

The force remains a source of controversy because of its ties to Noriega and several police officers have been accused of plotting coups.

Editorials in Panama City newspapers Thursday denounced the uprising but also pointed out weaknesses in the Endara government, which was installed during the invasion.

Economic problems continue to plague the Endara administration while his popularity in recent polls has dropped. On Tuesday, thousands of protesters marched through Panama City to protest public job lay-offs.

The police uprising comes just as U.S. officials were trying to wean the Endara government from U.S. security support by withdrawing the last 150 U.S. troops from Panama City police stations. U.S. troops have supported the police

since the invasion.

''As long as the government has to fall back on U.S. troops, we will not be a sovereign country,'' said La Estrella de Panama newspaper.

A cartoon in the newspaper La Prensa showed Endara, backed by a giant U.S. soldier, announcing his pride over the limited role of loyal Panamanian police in putting down the uprising.

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#90340u1450 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Thursday 398.97 up 0.92.

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#90340u1461 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday 29 points higher to nine points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	76.20	76.30	76.10	76.49	76.20
Mar	73.54	73.80	73.19	73.77	73.63
May	73.33	73.40	73.00	73.40	73.38
Jly	73.25	73.25	72.90	73.16	73.22
Oct	67.90	67.90	67.90	67.85	67.90
Dec	65.35	65.40	65.15	65.31	65.40
Mar	66.10	66.15	66.10	66.16	66.10
May	66.10	....	....	66.52	66.50

Estimated sales: 3,500 contracts
Open interest: 39,879 off 326
The World spot average: unavailable

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#90340u1471 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	385.33	232.68	144.60	24.27	329.92
Opening	389.34	235.67	145.39	24.81	333.45
11 a.m.	388.41	236.35	144.84	24.45	332.30

Noon	387.06	236.02	144.62	24.30	331.19
1 p.m.	386.63	235.90	144.58	24.19	330.78
2 p.m.	385.81	234.89	144.40	24.09	330.05
3 p.m.	384.04	233.64	143.99	23.84	328.47
Close	384.86	233.35	144.00	23.90	329.07
Change	off 0.47	up 0.67	off 0.60	off 0.37	off 0.85

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#90340u1492 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 6) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.38	7.47	8.48
91-day Treasury bills	7.22	7.23	7.70
182-day Treasury bills	7.23	7.21	7.43
1-year Treasury bills	7.26	7.24	7.31
3-year Treasury notes	7.59	7.58	7.83
7-year Treasury notes	8.11	8.09	7.88
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.34	8.33	7.92
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.90	8.90	8.74
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.67	9.66	9.12
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.77	8.83	8.88
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.03	9.02	8.95
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.19	9.18	9.14
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.17	9.20	9.13

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90340u1493 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	378.03	370.92	372.29	up	1.42
Industrial	409.80	400.99	402.27	up	0.33
Finance	374.42	367.50	368.66	up	2.01
Insurance	451.27	446.05	448.48	up	2.51
Utility	475.57	469.05	472.73	up	7.90
Bank	264.10	257.68	259.21	up	1.32

Transport 418.19 410.20 410.50 up 2.42
Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44
NASDAQ National Market System indexes
(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	164.28	up 0.65
Industrial Index	160.51	up 0.15
NASDAQ-100 Index	398.97	up 0.92
(largest non-fin'cl)		
Average price per share	8.42	up 0.04
Volume	158,116,608	shares
Advances	931	
Declines	714	
Unchanged	1,125	
Total	2,770	

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#90340u1499 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	189,444,400
Advances	1,110
Declines	845
Unchanged	2,237
Total	4,192

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#90340u1502 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

ROMULUS, Mich. (DEC. 6) UPI - A pilot who strayed into a collision which killed eight on a fog-bound runway was not alone in becoming confused while taxiing at Detroit Metropolitan Airport, a federal investigator said Thursday.

''We have had reports from some of the pilots who were interviewed who also said there had been confusion in the past, and not necessarily in low visibility conditions,'' said John Lauber, who headed a National Transportation Safety Board investigating Monday's crash.

Lauber, asked if the other pilots voiced safety concerns about the runways, said, ''all I can say is they have encountered situations where they were confused.''

''I think the fact that they've come forward with that information is significant,'' he said.

The pilot of the DC-9 involved in Monday's crash, Capt. William Lovelace said he never heard an exchange between the control tower and James Schifferns, his first officer on Northwest Flight 1482, in which Schifferns said the jet may have taken a wrong turn onto the runway.

Had he known, Lovelace told investigators, he would have ''gone for the weeds '' maneuvering his DC-9 off the runway.

Eight people were killed and 24 injured Monday afternoon when the DC- 9 bound for Pittsburgh was clipped by Northwest Flight 299, a Memphis- bound Boeing 727-200 that was already lifting into takeoff on Runway 3 Center.

Investigators steered a DC-9 Thursday over the route followed by Lovelace to document the path, the lighting and signs that might have been seen from the cockpit, Lauber said.

While Monday's weather conditions could not be recreated, Lauber said it was possible the exercise might be repeated when similar conditions existed. He also said it also could be done in simulators.

In his last news briefing before returning to Washington, Lauber said a final report might be a year away but recommendations to enhance safety at the airport could be made at any time, he said.

''The public should know we are not going to wait a year if we find anything '' Lauber said.

He said a decision on a public hearing would be up to the full NTSB board.

''All I can say is that typically in an accident such as this which raises a number of significant issues would want to hold a public hearing,'' he said.

NTSB spokesman Brent Bahler said the coroner's final report listed two deaths from smoke inhalation, two from smoke and/or trauma and four from trauma. Originally, authorities theorized most died from smoke inhalation,

Lauber said the 70-member NTSB team spent Wednesday conducting closed-door interviews, reviewing records and studying the wrecked airliners. Most of the team left Thursday afternoon, and Lauber said he thought the on-site investigation would be completed sometime during the weekend.

A supervisor in the control tower, who was unable to see the runways because of the fog, yelled ''Stop all aircraft! Stop all aircraft!'' but it was too late to avoid the collision, Lauber said.

Lauber said it is not clear why Lovelace, 52, was not talking to the tower himself and why he didn't hear Schifferns' exchange, and whether Schifferns had time to tell him to steer off the runway.

It also is not certain that Lovelace, making his first unsupervised flight since returining from a five-year medical leave, could have steered out of harm's way had he realized where Schifferns, 43, said the plane was.

Lauber said controllers didn't order the 727-200 to abort its takeoff once they learned the DC-9 had strayed onto the active runway because they thought the larger jet already was in the air.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency Per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn astrl	.000206	.000204	4841.00	4895.00
Astrl dlr	.7707	.7678	1.2975	1.3024
Astr schll	.0955	.0951	10.47	10.52
Blgm frnc-c	.0324	.0322	30.88	31.00
Blgm frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brzl crzd	.0070	.0070	142.59	142.59
Brtn pnd	1.9380	1.9255	.5160	.5193
Brtn 1-m	1.9284	1.9161	.5186	.5219
Brtn 3-m	1.9126	1.8998	.5228	.5264
Brtn 6-m	1.8929	1.8791	.5283	.5322
Cnd dllr	.8612	.8599	1.1612	1.1629
Cnd 1-m	.8584	.8571	1.1650	1.1667
Cnd 3-m	.8460	.8522	1.1821	1.1734
Cnd 6-m	.8396	.8450	1.1910	1.1834
Chl ps-f	.003094	.003097	323.16	322.85
China yn	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Clmb ps	.001837	.001839	544.25	543.73
Dnmrk krn	.1745	.1737	5.7300	5.7560
Ecdr scr-z	.001164	.001164	858.98	858.98
Egypt pnd	.3564	.3563	2.8062	2.8067
Fnlnd mrkk	.2795	.2777	3.5775	3.6010
Frnc frnc	.1978	.1970	5.0565	5.0770
Frnc 1-m	.1975	.1967	5.0636	5.0838
Frnc 3-m	.1967	.1959	5.0835	5.1035
Frnc 6-m	.1955	.1948	5.1143	5.1330
Grc drch	.006575	.006546	152.09	152.76
Hllnd gldr	.5958	.5914	1.6785	1.6910
HngKng dlr	.1281	.1281	7.8060	7.8048
India rp	.0556	.0583	17.98	17.15

Ind's rp	.000535	.000535	1870.00	1870.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Irq dnr	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Irlnd pnt	1.7885	1.7798	0.5591	0.5619
Isrl shkl	.5061	.5038	1.9760	1.9850
Italy lr	.000891	.000886	1121.75	1128.50
Jpn yn	.007570	.007482	132.10	133.65
Jpn 1-m	.007657	.007556	130.60	132.35
Jpn 3-m	.007787	.007617	128.42	131.29
Jpn 6-m	.007862	.007686	127.19	130.10
Jrdn dnr	1.5437	1.5413	.6488	.6488
Kwt dnr	3.4965	3.4965	0.2860	0.2860
Lbnn pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mxc ps-z	.000343	.000343	2919.00	2919.00
N.Zlnd dlr	.6031	.6075	1.6510	1.6461
Nrwy krn	.1714	.1704	5.8330	5.8700
Pkstn rp	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Per int	.000002	.000002	421,400	421,400
P'pns ps-z	.0365	.0365	27.36	27.36
Prtgl escd	.007602	.007628	131.54	131.09
Saudi ryl	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Sngpr dlr	.5823	.5820	1.7174	1.7182
S.Afrc rnd	.3993	.3976	2.5042	2.5152
S.Kr wn	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spn pst	.010508	.010428	95.17	95.90
Swdn krn	.1784	.1775	5.6040	5.6350
Swtzrl frnc	.7862	.7809	1.2720	1.2805
Swtzrl 1-m	.7857	.7806	1.2728	1.2811
Swrzrl 3-m	.7846	.7795	1.2745	1.2829
Swtzrl 6-m	.7830	.7779	1.2771	1.2855
Twn dllr	.0373	.0373	26.78	26.79
Trky lr	.000356	.000356	2807.00	2810.00
UAE drhm	.2730	.2731	3.6632	3.6623
Urg'y ps-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Vnz blvr-z	.0200	.0200	49.94	49.94
Grmny mrk	.6709	.6670	1.4905	1.4993
Grmny 1-m	.6703	.6664	1.4918	1.5006
Grmny 3-m	.6688	.6648	1.4953	1.5043
Grmny 6-m	.6660	.6621	1.5016	1.5103
Ygsl dnr	.0980	.0975	10.20	10.26

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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(DEC. 6) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	57	33	17
New lows	48	45	35

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	861	115,791,400
Declines	703	114,861,000
Unchanged	449	25,727,600
Total	2,013	256,380,000

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(DEC. 6) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	20
New lows	38

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	323	6,435,300
Declines	266	6,286,200
Unchanged	257	4,458,500
Total	846	17,180,000

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (DEC. 6) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney asked NATO allies Thursday for additional sealift and airlift support for the massive U.S. troop deployment in the Persian Gulf.

Cheney, at a meeting of NATO defense ministers, also asked ''generically'' for equipment relating to ''combat capability'' but did not recite a detailed wish list, said a senior member of the U.S. delegation.

''He did not come here to go door-to-door, minister-to-minister, with a list tailored for each country,'' the U.S. official said.

The defense ministers are in Brussels for a two-day joint meeting of NATO's Nuclear Planning Group and Defense Planning Committee to chart defense strategy for post-Cold War Europe. The meeting ends at midday Friday.

The gulf is considered ''out of area'' for NATO military action under its 1949 charter but U.S. officials have used NATO meetings to request other help.

Britain, which has sent large numbers of ground troops to the gulf, also asked NATO allies for assistance.

''It includes ships. It includes aircraft. It includes medical. It includes some ammunition,'' British Defense Secretary Tom King said of Britain's requests.

''Also, chemical protection equipment, and training, and money,'' King told reporters. ''For instance, Hungary is sending chemical protection equipment and personnel.''

At their landmark London summit last July, NATO leaders called for a strategic overhaul, including reduction in the size and readiness of standing forces.

Many NATO countries are anxious to reap a ''peace dividend'' from the ending of four decades of East-West tension.

''The budgetary pressures are extremely strong,'' said the senior U. S. official at NATO, who expects the alliance's review to be completed by the middle of 1991.

''To take much longer than that will not respond either to the situation we find on the ground in Europe, which has changed, or to the fiscal pressures from many capitals,'' he said.

Cheney told other defense ministers that NATO still faced four basic risks - the residual Soviet threat, instability in Eastern Europe, proliferation of chemical and biological weapons, and disruption of vital resources.

Interim decisions on NATO's new defense structure were expected from the meeting of defense ministers and a Dec. 17-18 meeting of NATO foreign ministers, also in Brussels.

With events in Europe changing so fast, the strategic review puts NATO ''in the difficult situation of trying to paint a moving train,'' said a senior alliance official.

A crucial part of NATO's plans are to replace layered divisions of national forces with highly mobile multinational units, which requires a new command structure.

NATO is also overhauling its obsolete nuclear strategy, which was based for decades on the doctrines of ''forward defense'' and ''flexible response,'' calling for the use of nuclear weapons if necessary to repel an overwhelming conventional attack. At the London summit, NATO said nuclear weapons would only be used as a ''last resort.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Stocks closed mixed in the heaviest trading in months Thursday after an early rally sparked by Iraq's hostage release offer was derailed by renewed fears about the health of the economy.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which surged 30.70 Wednesday, fell 7.92 to close at 2602.48, managing to finish just above the 2600 level.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index lost 0.40 to 179.71. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 0.85 to 329.07. The price of an average share slid seven cents.

Advances led declines 867-691 among the 2,017 issues crossing the Big Board tape. Volume totaled 256,380,000 shares, compared with 205,820,000 traded Wednesday, the heaviest turnover since 292,360,000 shares changed hands on Aug. 3 in the wake of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Stocks rallied from the opening after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein asked the National Assembly to release all foreign hostages held in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

The Dow jumped almost 35 points and oil prices tumbled on the news, falling as low as $25.25 a barrel before rebounding a bit. The Bush administration said the development indicated that "diplomatic and military pressure" against Iraq was working.

It remained unclear exactly when the remaining 6,000 Western and Japanese hostages would be allowed to leave, but Iraq's ambassador to the United States Mohamed al-Mashat, said the captives could be home by Christmas.

In the afternoon, however, with anxiety about the crisis in the Mideast waning the focus shifted to the state of the economy and the outlook for corporate earnings after rumors that International Business Machines Corp., known on Wall Street as Big Blue, had advised an analyst to lower an earnings estimate for the company. IBM denied the rumors, but the stock remained sharply lower and in fact extended its losses.

The Dow turned lower and the broad market weakened but stayed in the plus column. "When we came in this morning, we rallied on the good news out of the Mideast," said Jeff Kaminsky, head of institutional sales trading at Mabon, Nugent & Co.

"But at midday, the report that an analyst who had been carrying one of the lower earnings estimates for IBM for next year and the rumor that IBM had endorsed that low estimate, in effect telling Wall Street the number will be disappointing, caused us to sell off," he said.

Kaminsky said IBM's status as a bellwether stock forced the market to focus on the reason IBM may have disappointing earnings. "That reason is the economy is in a recession," he said. "The magnitude is not yet known. So while tensions seem to be falling off in the Mideast, we've still got an economy in some trouble."

On the trading floor, Citicorp was the most active issue, retreating 7/8 to 14 7/8 after the rally in financial issues over the past two sessions.

NCR followed, surging 6 1/8 to 92 3/4. NCR late Wednesday rejected AT&T's $90-a-share takeover bid. AT&T followed by launching a hostile bid for NCR Thursday and NCR said it would consider the bid at a board meeting in ten days. AT&T, the fifth most active issue, was unchanged at 30 1/8. First Chicago was third, off 1/8 to 21.

Two retailers were heavily traded. The Limited rose 3/8 to 16 7/8 after reporting a 24 percent sales rise in November. Toys 'R' Us was unchanged at 22 7/8, stable after its slide Wednesday.

Among the other blue chips, IBM plunged 3 1/8 to 111 1/2 in heavy trading, General Electric gained 1/2 to 57 1/2, and Philip Morris rose 3/8 to 50 1/8 but USX, which owns Marathon Oil, was down 7/8 to 30 1/2 as oil prices tumbled on the improved prospects for peace in the Mideast.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 308,928,600 shares, compared with 252,680,520 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices rose in heavy trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index added 0.94 to close at 306.35. Advances led declines, 324-261, among the 848 issues traded. The price of an average share rose three cents. Composite volume totaled 21,709,600 shares vs. 16,116,750 traded Wednesday. B.A.T. Industries led the Amex issues, down 5/16 to 11 3/16.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 1.42 to 372.29.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	306.35	up	0.94
High Technology	327.23	up	2.23
Capital Goods	319.85	up	1.30
Consumer Goods	395.17	up	2.55
Service	707.67	up	3.18
Retail	993.93	up	6.67
Financial	361.39	off	0.10

Natural Resources	216.85	off 0.26
Housing-Const-Land	234.95	up 3.71

There was a gain of 3 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	403.57	off 2.42
Mid Atlantic	420.94	up 2.38
No Central	407.58	up 2.41
So Atlantic	870.28	up 11.30
So Central	304.07	up 1.41
Mountain	107.43	up 2.09
Pacific	352.53	up 1.85
Foreign	214.97	off 0.12

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.93	9.58
Anchor Fund Inv	14.32	15.19
Delaware Mutual	17.10	18.34
Fidelity Fund	16.63	16 63
Investor Mutual	11.23	11.83
Investor Stocks	18.53	19.50
Investor Select	8.45	8.90
IDS Equity Plus	9.01	9.48
MFS Growth Stk	8.86	9.55
Nicholas Income	3.09	3.09
Utd Accumulated	6.25	6.83
United Income	17.21	18.81
Vang Wellington	16.53	16.53

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 457.37, off 0.03 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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CAIRO, Egypt (DEC. 6) UPI - Kuwaiti Oil Minister Rashid Salim Al Ameeri said Thursday the Iraqi invasion of his country had led to the collapse of the emirate's economic infrastructure, particularly in the oil sector.

The Kuwaiti minister said his exiled government will demand compensation for the losses it suffered as a result of the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion.

''It is clear the economic infrastructure of Kuwait has completely collapsed as a result of the aggression, especially the oil sector,'' Ameeri said.

He did not say how much compensation would be demanded from Iraq.

''It is difficult to estimate the amount of damages inflicted to Kuwait, but no doubt we will demand compensation according to U.N. resolutions,'' the Kuwaiti oil minister said.

Ameeri arrived in the Egptian capital Thursday evening to take part in the ministerial meeting of the Kuwait-based Organization of Arab Petroluem Exporting Countries scheduled for Saturday.

Ameeri said his government has coped with shortages in oil supplies to its overseas refineries after Iraq invaded the emirate and halted oil exports.

Kuwait has three major oil refineries in Europe in addition to 5,000 gasoline stations.

He said the Kuwaiti oil sector is fortunate in that many oil officials were abroad when the emirate was invaded and were able to find alternative sources of oil for the refineries from Saudi Arabia and other Arab states belonging to the Gulf Cooperation Council.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 6) UPI - Assets of the nation's 533 money-market mutual funds rose by $1.02 billion to $424.89 billion in the week ended Wednesday, according to the Investment Company Institute, a research arm of the U.S. mutual fund industry.

Two other financial reporting organizations said average yields on money-market mutual funds were unchanged or lower, while deposit and lending rates at U.S. savings and loan institutions were mainly lower.

The Investment Company Institute said Thursday that broker-dealer funds' assets rose by $147.3 million to $166.53 billion, while assets of general purpose funds increased by $303.8 million to $150.32 billion and those of institutional funds gained by $570.8 million to $108.04 billion.

Although money-market yields continued to ease moderately in the latest week, assets kept on building, said Jacob Dreyer, vice president and chief economist of the institute.

"So far, neither rising stock and bond prices nor the anticipation of future declines in short-term interest rates had a discernible inhibiting effect on flows of assets into money-market funds," Dreyer said.

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money-market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said that average seven-day simple yields were unchanged at 7.27 percent but that 30-day simple yields declined to 7.31 percent from 7.34 percent the previous week. The average maturity of fund portfolios rose to 52 days from 50.

The Bank Rate Monitor, North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.82 percent, down from 5.83 percent; Super-Now accounts, 4.95 percent, unchanged; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.31 percent, down from 7.33 percent; 1-year CDs, 7.37 percent, off from 7.39 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.46 percent, down from 7.50 percent; and five-year CDs, 7.70 percent, down from 7.72 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 8.04 percent, up from 8.03 percent the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.42 percent from 9.48 percent. The average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage eased to 9.75 percent from 9.79 percent.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was at 12.25 percent, unchanged from the previous week.

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ROANOKE, Va. (DEC. 6) UPI - Attorneys who claim Virginia's blanket policy of collecting DNA samples from convicted felons is unconstitutional take their case to federal court Friday in the first known challenge to DNA testing in the country.

Although 12 states across the nation take blood samples for a computerized DNA ''fingerprint'' bank, only Virginia tests all felons no matter what their crime. Eight of the 11 other states limit their testing to sex offenders.

The states are hoping that having the DNA characteristics of felons on file could help them solve future cases in the same way fingerprints are used now.

DNA, or deoxyribonucleic acid, is the basic genetic material found in each cell. Each person is believed to have a unique pattern, with the exception of identical twins.

The all-encompassing nature of Virginia's law is part of the constitutional challenge being mounted by law students and professors at the University of Virginia's Post-Conviction Assistance Program. But their arguments, scheduled for federal court in Lynchburg Friday, go beyond that.

The civil lawsuit was originally filed on behalf of six Tazewell Correctional Camp inmates but U.S. District Judge James Turk ordered its expansion into a class action suit.

In an October hearing at which he denied the plaintiffs a temporary restraining order, Turk said the lawsuit addressed important fundamental constitutional questions and was not ''a frivolous matter at all.''

The lawsuit claims the forced taking of blood constitutes unreasonable search and seizure and is an invasion of privacy.

The plaintiffs also argue the practice illegally changes the rules of parole for inmates convicted before July 1 - the date the law took effect - because it requires them to give a blood sample before they can be released.

The state contends giving the blood is a minor, routine matter that is little more bother than being fingerprinted. State attorneys also argue the high rescidivism rate of felons supports the potential usefulness of the practice.

The state also points out that the law was written to make sure officials would use the samples for nothing more than determining identifying characteristics of a person's DNA.

Harold Krent, the supervising law professor on the case, said Thursday that although judges rarely rule straight from the bench in this type of case, ''there is some reason to believe that might happen'' because Turk indicated he wanted to move the case as quickly as possible.

Turk also said in October he expected to see the case move up the ladder of appeals no matter what he rules.

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BETHESDA, Md. (DEC. 6) UPI - Martin Marietta Corp. said Thursday it has received a $102.8 million contract option from the Raytheon Co. for continued production and assembly of Patriot air defense missile systems through 1993.

The option includes 493 fully assembled missiles for the U.S. Army and an additional 376 Patriot sections and sub-assemblies for the German government.

As principal subcontractor to Lexington, Mass.-based Raytheon, Martin Marietta

Missile Systems in Orlando, Fla. builds the Patriot launcher, the control, propulsion and warhead sections of the missile, and performs final assembly and test of the missile and launcher.

The Patriot air defense missile system is designed to protect ground forces against high-speed enemy aircraft and tactical missiles. Patriot currently is deployed with NATO in Europe and in the Middle East with U. S. forces supporting Operation Desert Shield.

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HAYWARD, Calif. (DEC. 6) UPI - Medical equipment manufacturer Nellcor Inc. said Thursday it would lay off 160 employees at the end of the year and move manufacturing operations from its Hayward headquarter to Chula Vista, Calif.

The layoffs, which represent about 12 percent of Nellcor's workforce, will mostly affect workers at the Hayward, Calif., headquarters, Nellcor said.

The company will transfer production and factory service operations to its manufacturing facility in Chula Vista starting in January. The move is part of an overall restructuring required by tighter economic conditions, Nellcor said.

''U.S. hospitals, which make up Nellcor's primary customer group, are facing compelling pressures to control costs, and these pressures have increased in recent months in light of more difficult general economic conditions'' said C. Raymond Larkin, Jr., president and chief executive officer.

The layoffs and the move to Chula Vista will result in a $1.5 million charge against earnings in the quarter ending Jan. 6, Nellcor said. The company is building a new manufacturing plant in Chula Vista and will move all manufacturing operations there by April.

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(DEC. 6) UPI - American Telephone & Telegraph Co. launched its $6 billion cash tender offer for NCR Corp. Thursday, saying NCR directors' rebuff of efforts to forge a friendly merger left no alternative but to appeal directly to shareholders.

The $90-a-share cash offer prompted two major debt-rating services - New York-based Moody's Investors Service and Chicago-based Duff & Phelps Inc. - to put AT&T debt on watch lists, warning of possible adverse affects of debt associated with the takeover. Moody's also put NCR debt instruments on its watch list.

But Bob Kavner, former AT&T chief financial officer and currently group

executive in charge of the company's computer systems group, said both AT&T and NCR would be strengthened by the merger.

''I assure you that when you combine these two companies, the underlying equity is as solid as a company could be,'' Kavner told United Press International in a telephone interview.

''NCR's debt ratio is in the low 20s and, in combining the two businesses, the total debt ratio of AT&T is very manageable. The interest coverage, which is the key measurement here, is very manageable,'' he added.

''If we do the acquisition with cash, and we do borrow, these will not be long-term debt. They will not be subordinated debentures. They will be short term instruments that would then later be converted into the blended capital structure we are targeting - an appropriate blend between equity and long-term debt,'' he said.

AT&T began wooing Dayton, Ohio-based NCR - the nation's fifth largest computer maker - last month. It originally proposed a stock-for-stock merger deal at $85 a share. That offer was quickly rejected by NCR directors as ''grossly inadequate.''

AT&T responded with a $90 a share stock-for-stock offer, and turned up the heat on NCR by going public with the bid Sunday.

But NCR directors, meeting by telephone Wednesday, said that too was far short of the mark, and said they would consider further negotiation only if the AT&T upped its bid to $125.

The board also adopted amendments to NCR's shareholder rights plan, strengthening the anti-takeover provisions to make any hostile bid for the company costly for an unwelcome suitor such as AT&T.

But New York-based AT&T sidestepped the board and went directly to NCR stockholders with a tender offer of $90 a share - in cash rather than stock.

An NCR spokesman said directors would meet in the next 10 days to draft a recommendation to stockholders on the tender offer, but he said there was nothing to indicate the cash offer would be any more acceptable than the stock-for-stock proposal unanimously rejected at Wednesday's meeting.

But AT&T said NCR was being unreasonable.

''What (the NCR directors) have said, in effect, is that the company is for sale,'' Kavner said. ''What we have is a disagreement on the price. That $125 comes out of the blue, somewhere from the yonder, and it seems quite unrealistic and surprising.''

''We started out with an original offer of $85 a share in stock and they told us that wasn't enough,'' Kavner said. ''We asked how much they wanted and they wouldn't say. So we went on good faith and said we'll go to $90 (in stock) and they said, 'No, it's still the wrong number. Try again,''' Kavner said.

''And we said, 'We're not going to bid against ourselves,''' Kavner said. ''So yesterday they came up with a number for the first time - $125. Not negotiable. And then they wanted us to sign a three-year standstill agreement to see the supporting documents,'' he said.

He said he doubted that, if AT&T's financial advisers did review the documents they would find they supported the $125 price.

''And where would we be if we signed a three-year standstill agreement?'' Kavner asked. ''It was just an untenable situation.''

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HOUSTON (DEC. 6) UPI - A federal judge has issued a temporary restraining order freezing the assets of FMF Corp. in response to a Securities and Exchange suit alleging the company violated federal securities laws when it lured investors by claiming it operated low-level nuclear waste disposal facilities in Africa.

The SEC suit marked the first time the government agency had exercised new powers by seeking $500,000 in fines for securities violations and had cooperated with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in an enforcement action.

The SEC, which announced Thursday it had filed the suit in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, said the matter was referred to the commission by the NCR.

U.S. District Judge Sim Lake Wedneseday scheduled a Dec. 17 hearing after SEC attorneys filed the lawsuit seeking to permanently bar FMF Corp. and its parent, BFMF Corp., from selling interests in what the company claims are waste disposal operations in Equatorial Guinea in west Africa.

The suit contends FMF raised more than $350,000 from investors by using false or misleading statements.

SEC attorneys requested that FMF pay a $500,000 penalty for the alleged violations of the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

''We believe (this company) was a sham to get money from these investors,'' said SEC attorney Catherine M. Shea.

In addition to BFMF Corp., the suit also named Abraham A. Greenspan, chairman, vice president and general counsel of FMF; B.F. Winborn, incorporator and president of FMF; and Charles W. Brandes, FMF's vice president of operations.

The SEC alleges in its suit the defendants told investors the United States and Guinea had a treaty under which Guinea agreed to accept low- level radioactive waste when no such treaty exists and that Guinea had awarded FMF a concession for dumping the waste even though the African nation has not allowed any party to dispose of radioactive waste within its borders.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) UPI - Meetings orchestrated by S&L operator Charles Keating between the Keating Five senators and federal regulators triggered a ''completely unprecedented and grossly improper'' halt in a probe of Keating's troubled thrift, one of the regulators told a Senate panel Thursday.

William Black, general counsel of the western regional office of the Office of Thrift Supervision and a former official of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, said he believed April 1987 meetings between the regulators and senators chilled the bank board's later scrutiny of Keating's Lincoln Savings and Loan of Irvine, Calif.

Black made his statements during the 13th day of hearings before the ethics committee, which is trying to decide whether Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., John Glenn, D-Ohio, John McCain, R- Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich., improperly pressured regulators to benefit Keating.

Lincoln collapsed in April 1989 in the biggest failure in the nation's savings and loan scandal, costing taxpayers about $2 billion to bail out.

Black told the committee that pressure stemming from April 2 and April 9, 1987 meetings between the senators and regulators led to later orders under bank board Chairman M. Danny Wall to halt the examination of Lincoln by federal regulators from San Francisco, who on May 1 had recommended that the government seize the thrift. Black attended the April 9 meeting.

''This is the most likely explanation for this completely unprecedented and grossly improper action of halting the exam,'' Black testified.

Black said Keating set up the meetings to intimidate the regulators.

Black admitted he had no direct knowledge that specific actions taken by senators caused the light treatment of Lincoln, including the halting of the probe and reassigning the examination to new investigators.

Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., a committee member, added, ''I don't know if we

could ever tie together political pressure to bank board decisions.''

Lawyers representing the senators sought to rough up Black during his second day of testimony. Thomas Green, Riegle's lawyer, questioned Black's ''guts'' at one point.

Following the pointed questioning from the senators' lawyers, committee special counsel Robert Bennett asked Black if he or any other bank board officials involved in ''a conspiracy of any kind to entrap five United States senators'' during the meetings. ''No,'' Black responded.

''I think we (the regulators in the meetings) were the best friends the senators had,'' Black said. ''We were trying to tell them, 'This is not the institution you want to be going to bat for ... this is not the place you want to touch, not with a 10-foot pole, not with a 20-foot pole.' We were trying to convince those senators so that instead of having them as opponents that they would, if anything, be with us.''

Keating, who has been indicted on state securities and fraud charges in California and is the target of a continuing federal grand jury investigation, contributed $1.3 million to the senators' political campaings and causes.

Meanwhile, in connection with its decision to grant limited immunity to James Grogan, a close Keating associate, Sen. Warren Rudman, R-N.H., the committee's vice chairman, said the panel had also issued subpoenas for ''very important'' documents from Grogan.

Those documents had been denied when Grogan became one of seven Keating associates to invoke their constitutional right against self- incrimination in refusing to testify before the panel.

Rudman said the committee will see the documents on Dec. 12, will question Grogan in a closed session on Dec. 17, then will decide whether to put Grogan on the witness stand during a public session.

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AVON, Mass. (DEC. 6) UPI - Child World Inc.'s chairman, Dennis H. Barron, has resigned ''to pursue other interests,'' the majority stockholder of the troubled toy chain disclosed Thursday.

A spokesman for CNC Holding Corp., which owns 82 percent of the toy chain, declined to say when or why Barron left the post; but a source at Child World said the former chairman had been forced out at a CNC board of directors meeting on Monday.

Barron also gave up the position of president and chief operating officer of

Cole National Corp., a Cleveland-based retail subsidiary of CNC Holding, the spokesman said.

The 182-store chain also has launched an aggressive discounting policy that threatens to dampen profits for all major sellers of toys, including K mart Inc. and Wal-Mart Inc. during the Christmas selling seasons when the overwhelming majority of toy sales are made.

Child World said earlier this week that it would stop paying its bills for six weeks to be able to pay cash for shipments of new toys to replenish its inventory for Christmas.

The company also acknowledged it may be forced to file for protection from its creditors under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy laws, which would allow the company to continue to operate while keeping creditors at bay.

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#90340u1782 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 6) UPI - One goal of the huge build-up in Operation Desert Shield appears to have been achieved with the word today that Iraq will release all foreign hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait. But there also is word that as that carrot is extended, Iraq is putting a bigger stick into place in the Persian Gulf.

Secretary of State Baker says the State Department was notified by acting U-S Ambassador Joseph Wilson in Baghdad that the Iraqi Foreign Ministry officially notified him that the hostages will be released. And the Iraqi ambassador to the United States said that officials in Baghdad were working to get the hostages home to their families in time for Christmas.

President Bush welcomed the decision to release the hostages but said- quoting here- ''it will NOT change my thinking'' on the need for Iraq to comply fully with U-N resolutions calling for an unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait and restoration of the Kuwaiti government.

The shuttle Columbia astronauts are struggling to salvage their troubled astronomy mission... plagued now by the failure of two computers that knocks three of four telescopes out of action. Ground controllers this afternoon told the astronauts to try to re-start a dust-clogged computer that over-heated and malfunctioned on Sunday.

President Bush today granted federal disaster aid to eight counties in Arizona and to Lake County in Indiana. The federal aid is to help the areas recover from severe storms and flood that struck from July 8th through September 4th in Arizona and on November 27th in Indiana.

The maker of a new schizophrenia drug confirms that it is considering an

alternative to a monitoring system that critics charge has made the medicine too expensive for many patients. The Sandoz Pharmaceuticals Corporation has come under attack because the current system drives the cost of the drug up to almost nine-thousand dollars a year.

French authorities say nine Impressionist paintings that were stolen from a Paris museum during visiting hours five years ago have been recovered in an apartment on the Mediterranean island of Corsica. Police sources say authorities were led to the apartment after studying many recordings of taped telephone conversations between Corsica and Japan.

A Los Angeles Superior Court judge has ordered pop super-star Madonna to trim one of her hedges and a tree so that a neighbor can enjoy his Million-dollar view of the city. Court records show that Judge Sally Disco entered the order in a civil suit against Madonna by her neighbor, who said the obstruction had dropped the value of his home by about one- Million dollars.

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#90340u1793 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (DEC. 6) UPI - Automobiles Peugeot said Thursday it will sell 50 Peugeot J5 electric vans to the China Light and Power Co. in Hong Kong.

A letter of intent, which would make Peugeot the world's first exporter of electric vehicles, was co-signed Monday in Hong Kong during the 10th International Symposium on Electric Vehicles, the French carmaker said.

Peugeot has been involved in electric vehicle research and development for over 20 years. Earlier this year, the Electric Company of France took delivery of 55 electric-powered Peugeots, including 25 J5 vans.

The Peugeot J5 van is equipped with a 28-cell battery that last an average of 31,000 miles or through 600 charging cycles. It has a top speed of just over 43 mph and a range of 43 to 62 miles.

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#90340u1816 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 6) UPI - Farmers will be paid $1.74 billion in crop support payments for this year's wheat, oat and barley crops with the lion's share - $1.7 billion - going to wheat growers, the government said Thursday.

This year's wheat crop of 2.74 billion bushels was the third largest on record and has contributed to a slump in market prices. The barley crop totaled 419 million bushels, up slightly from last year, while the oat harvest, at 358 million bushels, was down slightly.

The Agriculture Department said the payments, which will be made in cash,

would cover the subsidies due for low prices and payments due under the so-called Zero-92 program. In it, farmers who idle all of the land normally devoted to a specific crop are guaranteed 92 percent of their projected subsidy payment.

Wheat growers will receive subsidies calculated at the rate of 92 cents a bushel - the amount due after subtracting advance payments made months ago and an additional reduction required by balanced-budget law from the five-month average price of $2.72 a bushel.

For barley, the payment rate is 11.6 cents a bushel and for oats, 31. 8 cents a bushel.

In all, barley farmers will receive about $35 million and oat farmers $8 million.

Additional payments will be made next summer if market prices are particularly low.

Producers who enrolled in the Zero-92 program were guaranteed a minimum payment rate of 90 cents a bushel on wheat and 26 cents a bushel for barley. There was no guaranteed payment for oats.

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#90340u1848 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

SOFIA, Bulgaria (DEC. 6) UPI - President Zhelyu Zhelev is expected to name Bulgaria's new prime minister on Friday, the president's spokesman, Valentin Stoyanov, said in a radio broadcast Thursday.

Among those considered most likely to be named prime minister are Ivan Pushkarov, an independent economist who is supported by the Union of Democratic Forces, the main opposition group, and Dimitar Ludjev, an adviser to Zhelev, sources in Sofia said.

Bulgaria's socialist-led government of Andrei Loukanov fell last Thursday after several days of strikes by independent trade unions who protested price hikes and the slow pace of democratic and free-market reform.

Representatives of the Bulgarian Socialist Party, the former communists, and UDF met again Thursday to try to agree on a political program for the new government, said Mikhail Nedelchev, UDF's spokesman. He said the agreement would set ''the conditions by which the BSP must abide so that it can prove its readiness for a peaceful transition.''

Sources said the agreement may outlaw some forms of public protest, such as the occupation of government and party offices, as well as strikes like the one that brought down Loukanov's government. The agreement may also provide

for the archives of the former communist party to be handed over to the state and made available for public consultation.

Parliamentary deputies also circulated a petition Thursday calling for the resignation of the parliament's chairman, Nikolai Todorov.

Ginyo Ganev, the parliament's vice-chairman and leader of the National Union, had earlier declined his nomination as prime minister and seems likely to be elected as the parliamentary chairman.

Meanwhile, Petar Beron officially resigned Thursday as UDF's chairman and as chairman of UDF's parliamentary group following reports earlier this week that he had worked for Bulgaria's secret police since 1968.

In remarks reprinted in Thursday's edition of Duma, the socialist party newspaper, Beron admitted that he had been an informer for the Bulgarian secret police but he said he had only done the minimum amount of reporting required from him as a prominent scientist.

Asked whether the secret police had wanted information on Eco- Glasnost, the opposition group active before the ousting of Bugaria's former communist leader, Todor Zhivkov in November 1989, Beron said, ''Of course they did. They wanted it every day.''

Beron was a member of Eco-Glasnost.

''Our position is that this case is more an accusation against the communist totalitarian system than against UDF,'' Nedelchev said.

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#90340u1874 12/06/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (DEC. 6) UPI - The FBI and General Motors Corp. said Thursday they will start destroying an estimated $50 million worth of counterfeit automotive parts and accessories seized in a series of raids earlier this year.

Except for drugs, this represents the largest cache of contraband material the FBI has ever accumulated.

The counterfeit products will be put on display during a Friday morning news conference at a GM plant in Pontiac, Mich.

Some of the $50 million cache will be destroyed by an industrial tractor, while much of it will be piled into a one-story-high mountain of parts, the FBI said.

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ATLANTIC CITY, NJ (DEC. 6) UPI - Mike Tyson, who has fought one round since losing the heavyweight title 10 months ago, pronounced himself in the best shape of his life for his non-title bout Saturday night against Alex Stewart.

The top-ranked heavyweight contender, Tyson will face Stewart after a 10-week postponement because of a cut the former champion suffered above his right eye requiring 48 stitches.

The cut appears fully healed and the more pressing issue is whether Tyson's psyche has recouped from the February title loss to James ''Buster'' Douglas in Tokyo that left his left eye and aura of invincibility battered.

''I'm just ready,'' Tyson, wearing a baggy grey sweatshirt, said Thursday at the final news conference for the 10-round bout at Atlantic City Convention Center. ''I want to pay my respect to my sparring partners to get me into the great shape I'm in.''

Tyson weighed in at 217 3-4 pounds. He weighed 220 1-2 when he lost the title to Douglas and his muscle definition approaches the from he had when he fought Michael Spinks in his most impressive display in June of 1988. Stewart weighed 218, five pounds less than when he fought Jamie Howe in his last bout. He also weighed 223 when he fought current champion Evander Holyfield. In one fight in between Holyfield and Howe, he weighed 228 against Mark Young.

Getting back in the ring has been no easy task for Tyson, who fought as often as three times a month before winning the title. Since winning his first title at age 20 against Trevor Berbick in 1986, Tyson fought four times in 1987 and three in 1988. He fourth twice in 1989 and twice in 1990.

In two years beginning with that fight, Tyson made $48 million. In two years since, which have featured splits with manager Bill Cayton and former wife Robin Givens, Tyson has made $18 million.

Since losing the title, Tyson knocked out Henry Tillman in the first round June 16 to put his record at 38-1 with 34 knockouts.

''I'm fighting as much as possible,'' Tyson said. ''Yeah, I miss it but what can you do?''

The latest lapse also derailed Stewart, who had been primed for a fight his deceased manager, Mike Jones, sought relentlessly. Jones died of complications from bone marrow cancer June 28, days after signing his prized fighter to a $535,000 payday. Tyson is believed to be making from $2.5 million to $5 million.

''The postponement hit him very badly,'' Stewart's manager, Jim Fennell, said. ''He sat there sobbing. I can tell you now he's completely refocused. It's a

different type of focus.

''Initially, the reaction was gonna win this for Mike (Jones). Now, the dedication is not exclusive to Mike.''

Stewart, whose highest ranking has been fourth, is 26-1 with 26 knockouts. He took a lot of heat for not fighting credible opponents until he lost in eight rounds to current champion Holyfield.

''I thank Mike (Tyson) for the opportunity to beat him,'' Stewart said. ''I'm ready to take a major step, like Mike did.

''He used to go into each fight totally prepared. He was 100 percent, no distractions. But he does other things now. He's not focused just on boxing.''

Such as?

''Whatever he does at discos,'' Stewart said.

Tyson is the first to say ''I do other things now,'' always bringing up his infant son, D'Amato, named for his late trainer Cus D'Amato.

''It's just not fun right now because he's 7 months,'' Tyson said of fatherhood. ''I say come on, come on chase me. Nothing. I don't have patience for that. When he's 2 or 3 years old, we'll go hang out. Then you show him off and he says, 'Hi, daddy.' Other than just holding him, looking at him, you wonder 'God, will you hurry up and talk.'''

Tyson said he has no plans to remarry.

''Not anytime soon,'' he said. ''I'm content with myself. Being happy is just a feeling, like when you're hungry or thirsty. When people say you are happy, it's just a word someone gave you to describe a feeling. When I decided to accomplish my goals, I gave up all means of even thinking about being happy. You can no longer perform when you're in that state of mind. ... I just want to fight.''

Home Box Office will televise the fight, the last in a long exclusive deal between Tyson and the cable network.

Leading the eight-fight undercard is a bout between Julio Cesar Chavez, 72-0 with 59 knockouts, and top contender Kyung-Duk Ahn, 29-1, 13 KOs for Chavez's two 140-pound titles.

Also on the card: Donovan ''Razor'' Ruddock vs. Mike Rouse (heavyweights), Simon Brown vs. Ozzie O'Neal (welterweights) and former Olympic champion Tyrell Biggs vs. Rodolfo Marin (heavyweights).

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MANAGUA, NICARAGUA (DEC. 6) UPI - Former Sandinista army officials Thursday threatened force against the government if the proposed military budget is not approved by the congress.

A statement released by the Carlos Nunez Tellez Association, a group of laid-off army officers named after a late Sandinista soldier, said they would defend ''the military budget ... and the institution of our glorious Popular Sandinista Army using all measures within our reach.''

The budget proposal sets aside $78.6 million for the armed forces, which ruling party legislators say is too much for a peace-time budget.

The size of the Nicaraguan army is being reduced to 28,000 members by the end of the year, from 80,000 in February.

Congressmen of the National Opposition Union say the new army is too small to justify the amount of money sought by Sandinistas. They say the money should be directed instead to health and education.

President Violeta Chamorro has embarked on an economic austerity program in the country to try to reduce the $13 million monthly deficit. Thousands of public employees have been laid off since Chamorro assumed power last April.

The layoffs and army reductions resulted in two major Sandinista strikes and caused conflicts over land claims between Sandinistas and former Contra rebels on the northern and southern borders.

Reductions in the Sandinista army were among the major demands by the Contras before they disarmed in June.

''We have patriotically accepted our discharge as a way to contribute to the economic improvement and democratic process of our nation,'' the association's statement said.

The group said UNO legislators want to destroy an army that ''has defended national soverignty and guaranteed constitutional order.''

Sandinista legislators have backed army demands that the National Assembly approve the $78.6 million for the military.

''We will not tolerate any reduction in the military budget,'' said Sergio Ramirez, leader of Sandinista legislators in the National Assembly.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 6) UPI - Hughes Communications International Inc. said Thursday that it has been named to build two television and radio broadcast spacecraft on behalf of a western European group.

Hughes Communications, a unit of General Motors Corp.'s Hughes Aircraft Co. subsidiary, said that Societe Europeenne des Satellites of Luxembourg had selected it to build the spacecraft, dubbed Astra 1C and 1D.

The value of the contract, which does not include launch services, was not disclosed. But Hughes won a similar Australian contract worth about $500 million two years ago to build two satellites, although that pact included launching, a Hughes spokesman said.

Astra 1C will be built in El Segundo, Calif., by Hughes' space and communications group, the company said.

Hughes said the Astra satellites are similar in appearance to its 11 other HS 601 satellites, with a cube-shaped body and two horizontal, three-panel solar array wings.

Astra 1C will be launched aboard an Ariane 4 rocket during the first quarter of 1993, while Astra 1D is scheduled for a 1994 launch.

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#90340u1890 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 6) UPI - Farmland Industries, a producer-owned cooperative, is becoming a fully integrated food production system and should derive half its sales from food marketing by 1995, President James L. Rainey said Thursday.

Also Thursday, Farmland said 1990 net income fell to $58 million from $110 million in 1989. Sales were $3.4 billion, up nearly $400 million.

Rainey spoke at the cooperative's annual meeting, which attracted about 4,000 delegates from 19 states.

''Clearly, the profits are on the marketing side of the food chain,'' Rainey said, citing statistics that showed the foodbasket value increased 65 percent from 1972 to 1988, while the value of farm products decreased 4 percent.

''We must move faster in seizing opportunities on the food side of the chain '' Rainey said, noting an increased role as a food company would require considerable time and money.

''In the process, we will continue to be carried by our fertilizer and other core businesses,'' he said. ''It is essential that we continue to grow our

input businesses as we make the transition to a food company.''

Farmland's potential cannot be realized until the co-op eliminates internal competition for increasingly narrow margins, he said.

The answer, Rainey continued, lies in encouraging the consolidation of member associations to reduce redundancy and competition that ultimately hurts Farmland's farmer-owners.

''We must convince these skeptical producers that our system has the strategy and skills to become a major force in the food chain,'' he said.

In 1990, Farmland's food marketing division reported a $5.5 million loss. The co-op said the loss reflected the inability to pass along the high cost of hogs to finished products.

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CAIRO (DEC. 6) UPI - Kuwaiti Oil Minister Rashid Salim Al Ameeri said Thursday the Iraqi invasion of his country led to the collapse of the emirate's economic infrastructure, particularly in the oil sector.

The Kuwaiti minister, speaking to reporters in Cairo, also said his exiled government would demand compensation for the losses it suffered as a result of the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion.

''It is clear the economic infrastructure of Kuwait has completely collapsed as a result of the (Iraqi) aggression, especially the oil sector,'' Ameeri said.

He did not say how much compensation would be demanded from Iraq.

''It is difficult to estimate the amount of damages inflicted to Kuwait, but no doubt we will demand compensation according to U.N. resolutions,'' the Kuwaiti oil minister said.

Ameeri arrived in the Egptian capital Thursday evening to take part in the ministerial meeting of the Kuwait-based Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries scheduled for Saturday.

Ameeri said his government had managed to cope with shortages in oil supplies to its overseas refineries after Iraq invaded the emirate and halted oil exports.

Kuwait has three major oil refineries in Europe in addition to some 5,000 gasoline stations.

He said the Kuwaiti oil sector was fortunate that many oil officials were abroad when the emirate was invaded and were able to find alternative sources of oil for the refineries from Saudi Arabia and other Arab states belonging to the Gulf Cooperation Council.

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CARACAS, Venezuela (DEC. 6) UPI - President Carlos Andres Perez called for U.S. support Thursday for the creation of a strategic oil reserve and other measures to make the Western Hemisphere energy independent.

''We cannot just lay down and dream and watch the events under our eyes,'' said Perez, who is expected to discuss the issue on Friday when he meets with President Bush in Caracas.

Citing the dramatic impact Iraq's invasion of Kuwait has had on the price of oil and the world's economy, Perez said that ''we cannot just sleep with our oil, waiting for events we are not prepared for.''

Caracas is the fifth and final stop of Bush's tour of South America to promote free trade and a larger role for Latin America in U.S. foreign policy.

Venezuela has the largest oil reserves in the Americas and has asked the United States for increased investment to help boost its production capabilities. Perez also has proposed that the hemispheric reserve be created in Venezuela with financial support from the United States.

Venezuela maintains that its oil is the safest, most reliable in the world and that the United States would best serve its own interests by placing more reliance in its own neighbors rather than relying on Persian Gulf oil.

After the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, Venezuela quickly responded to U. S. requests for boosts in oil production to cover the loss of supplies from the Middle East.

Washington has expressed limited interest in a strategic oil reserve in Venezuela and has refused to consider funding the project.

Perez left no doubt that he intended to press the point with Bush.

Asked what would top the agenda of his meetings with Bush, he replied, ''Oil, of course; (President Bush's) 'initiative for the Americas,' the Gulf crisis, Central America, a number of things.''

Perez, in a speech to an oil symposium at the Caracas Hilton hotel, also promoted new measures within the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to stabilize the price of world oil.

''Clearly (as a member of OPEC) it is our first obligation to maintain the price of oil, but it is also in our best interest to stabilize the price of oil,'' Perez said. ''Unfortunately, nothing has come of this proposal.''

Perez, a long-time backer of Venezuela's membership in OPEC, repeated his praise for the organization, saying, ''Those who think the violent crisis in the Gulf will destroy OPEC are wrong.''

He also advised against U.S. aggression against Iraq. ''An act of force would be a mistake, especially at this time of detente,'' he said.

Earlier Thursday, thousands of students staged an anti-U.S. rally at the Central University of Venezuela that ended in a violent clash with police.

Witnesses said at least 20 students were injured, many of them suffering gunshot wounds. Some reports said police were shooting from helicopters.

A spokesman for the Metropolitan Police said two police were wounded but would not acknowledge that any students were shot.

Witnesses told United Press International the protesters were led by leftist student groups protesting U.S. imperialism. Signs reading ''Bush go home'' were hung from points around the university and other locations in the capital.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 6) UPI - Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan said Thursday law enforcement authorities have warned him to beef up his personal security in the face of recent death threats.

Farrakhan, the controversial head of the U.S. black Muslim community, also disclosed that his scheduled appearance Saturday at a rally at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum ''will probably be the last time I will be in Los Angeles for quite a few years.''

He refused to say more, but promised to explain his announcement during the rally.

Farrakhan also refused to provide details about the alleged death threats, but said his staff received warnings from police and the FBI. He did not disclose which police agency had contacted his staff.

''There have been so many inconsistencies in the police and the FBI reports to us we cannot make a definitive statement on these alleged threats,'' he told reporters.

However, earlier this week it was reported that the names of Farrakhan and nine other prominent Islamic leaders and supporters of Palestinian rights were on a list of potential assassination targets of radicals out to avenge the slaying of ultraconservative Jewish leader Meir Kahane.

Kahane, leader of the militant Kach Party and founder of the Jewish Defense League, was slain Nov. 5 while attending a Zionist organization meeting in New York.

Farrakhan said he personally did not receive any of the threats but said law enforcement authorities have ''intercepted a communication'' that allegedly contained a threat against him.

''They wanted us to beef up our security,'' he said. ''We are taking this seriously.''

The FBI was not available for comment.

The fiery preacher, whose primary message is one urging black Americans to be be self reliant, always travels under heavy protection.

On Thursday, the belongings of reporters and camera crews were searched before entering they were allowed into Farrakhan's news conference. Farrakhan arrived surrounded by eight bodyguards who stood by him throughout his meeting with reporters.

''We are not foolish. We have lived long enough in this society to know our words are not loved by all,'' he said. ''So we are taking adequate precautions.''

Farrakhan's speech Saturday has been billed as ''Save the Family Day. '' He said the high rate of divorce in the United States is an indication of ''a society in decline'' and encouraged a return to the traditional family unit in which men are the providers and women are the homemakers.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Chicago (NL) - Signed left fielder George Bell to 4-year contract.

Cincinnati - Added infielder Bill Doran to 40-man roster; waived pitcher Tim Birstas.

Kansas City - Signed pitcher Steve Crawford to a Triple-A contract.

Pittsburgh - Signed pitcher Zane Smith to a 4-year contract.

BASKETBALL

LA Lakers - Waived swingman Tony Brown.

Minnesota - Extended contract of Tim Leiweke, executive vice president of marketing and sales, two years.

New York - Placed Trent Tucker on injured list; activated guard John Starks from injured list.

San Jose (CBA) - Fired head coach Cory Russell, named assistant coach Gerry Freitas interim coach.

COLLEGE

Louisiana State - Named Mike Bugar defensive coordinator and line coach, Steve Davis defensive backs and special teams coach, Steve Buckley running backs and special teams coach, Larry Edmondson wide receivers coach, Phil Bennett inside linebackers coach and Buddy King offensive line coach.

Purdue - Named Jim Colletto football coach.

FOOTBALL

San Diego - Signed cornerback Sammy Lilly; waived linebacker Antonio Gross.

World League of American Football - Announced Bob Payton will operate London franchise and Billy Hicks will be general manager; team will be named the Monarchs.

HOCKEY

NHL - Awarded expansion franchises to Tampa, Fla., and Ottawa, with the teams to begin play in 1992-93 season; Ottawa team will be named the Senators.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	17	10	5	39	121	95

Philadelphia	17	12	2	36	113	97
New Jersey	15	10	4	34	116	97
Washington	16	14	0	32	101	93
Pittsburgh	12	14	2	26	116	112
NY Islanders	9	15	2	20	73	101

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	15	9	4	34	93	88
Montreal	15	13	3	33	97	98
Buffalo	10	10	7	27	84	84
Hartford	11	13	4	26	81	90
Quebec	5	19	6	16	82	132

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	18	9	2	38	96	71
St. Louis	15	9	3	33	91	76
Detroit	13	10	4	30	104	105
Minnesota	8	15	6	22	80	99
Toronto	6	23	1	13	81	135

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	16	7	4	36	113	85
Calgary	16	9	4	36	123	92
Vancouver	13	13	2	28	91	98
Winnipeg	9	17	5	23	101	111
Edmonton	10	14	2	22	80	78

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(DEC. 6) UPI - The Voice of America is telling U-S citizens in Iraq and Kuwait to stay put, and sit tight... that preparations are under way to evacuate them as soon as possible. Iraq says it is releasing all foreign nationals.

President Bush and Secretary of State Baker welcomed the news but said it should NOT draw attention from the fact that Iraq still must withdraw from Kuwait and restore the Kuwaiti government.

The Iraqi ambassador to the United States says the only thing that can delay the departure of the hostages is the availability of flights. He says Iraq officials are working to ensure that the hostages are back home for Christmas.

The U-N Security Council postponed a session that had been scheduled for today to discuss a resolution for a Mideast peace conference.

The B-B-C reported earlier today that the United States had made a major change in its policy and was calling for a Mideast peace conference. U-S officials immediately denied the report.

Another air disaster claims lives... this time in Italy. Police say a single-seat air force training plane abandoned by its pilot crashed into a Bologna school, killing 12 people and injuring more than 60.

Argentine President Carlos Menem today accused a group of private businessmen of paying for the brief military uprising against him earlier this week. Menem says an investigation is under way into the revolt that killed more than two dozen.

The shuttle Columbia crew tried to re-start a balky computer today, but it failed again. The crew and ground controllers are scrambling today to try to find a way to salvage the astronomy mission, which suffered two computer failures that knocked out three of the four telescopes on board.

Slumping consumer confidence has retailers singing the blues instead of cash-brightened Christmas carols. Sears, K-Mart and Wall-Mart all report that November sales were down compared with the same period last year.

White House chief of staff John Sununu says it's a ''very good bet'' that President Bush will seek re-election in 1992 with Vice President Quayle as his running mate. Sununu calls the pair ''a strong team.''

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(DEC. 6) UPI - The Pentagon says Iraq is moving another 30-thousand troops into the Persian Gulf region, most of them from the Iranian border area. At the same time, it appears as if the foreign nationals held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait will be allowed to return home. Iraq formally notified the United States of the decision to release the hostage, and President Bush and Secretary of State Baker both welcomed the move.

The Iraqi ambassador to the United States says the hostages could leave Iraq within three days, if there are enough flights out of Baghdad to handle them. The State Department revised its estimate of how many hostages there are today saying about six-thousand Western and Japanese citizens are in Iraq and Kuwait. That's up from about two-thousand in the earlier estimate.

President Bush and Secretary of State Baker both underscored the U-S position that the hostage release is NOT enough... that Iraq still must honor the U-N Security Council resolutions that demand a withdrawal from Kuwait and restoration of the Kuwaiti government.

A former Panamanian military leader and co-defendant of Manuel Noriega pleaded guilty to a conspiracy charge today. And Lieutenant Colonel Luis del Cid admitted today that he delivered hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of cocaine bribes to Noriega, the deposed strongman who faces federal charges at a trial that is set for January 28th. In exchange for del Cid's testimony, the government dropped five counts against him in a 1988 indictment.

A small Arizona company filed an anti-trust suit in Phoenix today, in a bid to stop Matsushita of Japan from buying the American entertainment giant M-C-A. Go-Video, Incorporated, produces double-deck V-C-R's and it says the six-point-six-BILLION-dollar buy-out would allow Matsushita to monopolize and to UNlawfully restrain trade in the entertainment ''software'' industry. A Matsushita spokesman in New York says ''the suit is totally without merit.''

More problems for Milli Vanilli. David Clayton-Thomas... lead singer of Blood, Sweat and Tears... filed a 120-Million-dollar lawsuit in New York City today against the lip-synching pop duo. Clayton-Thomas alleges that Milli Vanilli stole the melody of his 1960's hit ''Spinning Wheel'' and turned it into their rap-infused song ''All or Nothing.'' A lawyer for Clayton-Thomas says the case is ''about the song they never wrote on the album they never sang.''

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(DEC. 6) UPI - The United States welcomes Iraq's announced intention to release all hostages in Iraq and Kuwait. But President Bush and Secretary of State Baker both say the move will NOT soften U-S insistance that Iraq withdraw unconditionally from Kuwait. It's thought there are around 900 Americans in Iraq and Kuwait... including 88 held as human shields... plus an estimated five-thousand other foreigners.

President Bush addressed a joint session of Chile's Congress today on the fourth stop of his five-nation South American tour. Bush urged Chile to ''remain in the forefront'' of free market developments. Earlier, Bush had lunch at the Santiago home of Chilean President Patricio Aylwin and walked across the street from the residence to greet well-wishers.

In Brussels, Belgium, the world trade talks are at a deadlock again. The European Community tonight rejected as wholly unacceptable a compromise plan on agriculture subsidies after a three-hour meeting. Australian Trade Minister Neal Blewett says of the latest stalemate- ''We seem to be getting back to a terminal position.'' The 107-nation talks, which began in 1986, are slated to end tomorrow.

As expected, the nation's major retailers today reported weak November sales. The report continues the pattern of recent months and raises fears the all-important Christmas shopping season could be the worst in more than a decade. Analysts say stores again suffered from slumping consumer confidence

brought on by higher gasoline and heating- oil prices, fear of war in the Middle East and a declining economy.

A New York jury deliberated for a seventh day today without reaching a verdict in the Central Park rape trial of two teen-agers. Jurors asked for 10 pairs of rubber gloves, apparently to examine bloodsoaked clothing of a female jogger. The unusual request raised speculation about why two jurors chose not to request gloves. It came in the trial of 16-year-old Kevin Richardson and 18-year-old Kharey Wise, accused of gang raping and beating into a coma a woman jogger in the park on April 19th, 1989.

The Education Department is giving 280-Million dollars in competitive federal grants to several universities and education organizations across the country. Officials say the grants will operate educational laboratories and research centers over the next five years to help solve pressing education problems in schools and school districts. Assistant Secretary Christopher Cross told reporters today- ''This is the greatest investment the federal government has made in educational research and development.''

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#90340u2957 12/06/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 6) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's proposal to free all hostages in Iraq and Kuwait drew elation and skepticism from families around the United States. The wife of one American who's in hiding in Kuwait says she's afraid to get too excited ''until it's the real thing.''

President Bush says he welcomes Iraq's announced intention to release the hostages. But Bush told a news conference in Santiago, Chile, that the United States will continue to demand unconditional withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

The government reportedly is mulling over the used car business as part of a new national strategy to clean up the air. Industry sources say the government may offer to buy used cars from their owners instead of paying fines for failing to meet clean air standards.

In Montreal, about 800 people attended a memorial mass today at Notre Dame Basilica to mark the one-year anniversary of the massacre of 14 women engineering students in an anti-feminist rampage. The women were shot to death by a lone gunman at the Ecole Polytechnique engineering school.

Panama returned to normal today after a failed police uprising that left one dead and five injured. Stores reopened and a dawn-to-dusk curfew for parts of Panama City was lifted one day after about 100 rebel policemen seized police headquarters.

The controversial head of the U-S black Muslim community says he's been warned

to beef up his personal security in the face of recent death threats. Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan says his staff received warnings from police and the F-B-I.

Earlier this week, it was reported that Farrakhan and nine other prominent Islamic leaders and supporters of Palestinian rights were on a list of potential assassination targets of radicals out to avenge the slaying of militant Jewish leader Meir Kahane.

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(DEC. 6) UPI - World leaders today expressed cautious optimism over Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's decision to release foreign hostages. President Bush welcomed it but said he still wants Saddam out of Kuwait. British Prime Minister John Major said- quoting- ''It would be tremendous if all the hostages were home with their families by Christmas.'' However, Major was quick to add- ''They shouldn't be hostages in the first place and Saddam Hussein has a good deal more to do than just release the hostages.'' France called the announcement ''a good sign.''

Baghdad Radio reports that Saddam decided to release the hostages in Iraq and Kuwait after an appeal from his few Arab supporters and Democratic members of Congress in the United States. Saddam had earlier promised to free all foreign hostages in batches between Christmas Day and March 25th, if he was NOT attacked by the U-S-led multi-national forces in the Persian Gulf region.

U-N and diplomatic sources say the U-N Security Council has put off debate on the situation in the Israeli-occupied territories. The sources say the council wants diplomats to agree on a final resolution that would include a call for an international conference on the Middle East. The sources say the council had scheduled an afternoon meeting to vote on a resolution supported by non-aligned countries but the document was unacceptable to the United States. Diplomats say a text might be ready for a vote tomorrow, when the council meets again.

White House chief of staff John Sununu today all but said that President Bush will seek re-election in 1992 with Vice President Quayle on the ticket. Sununu told United Press International- quote- ''If you had a lot of money to bet, in my opinion, it could be a very good bet that the president and vice president will be running as a strong team.'' Sununu says Bush will announce ''at the appropriate time'' whether he'll seek the Republican nomination for another four-year term.

A banking regulator testified today that meetings set up by savings and loan kingpin Charles Keating between the Keating Five senators and federal regulators halted a probe of Keating's troubled Lincoln thrift. William Black says Keating set up the meetings to intimidate the regulators. Black testified

in the 13th day of hearings before the Senate ethics committee, which is trying to decide whether the five senators improperly pressured regulators to benefit Keating.

A New York jury today cleared another defendant of murder and manslaughter charges in the 1989 killing of a black teen-ager by a mob of white men in Brooklyn. However, the jury convicted 22-year-old John Vento, once considered a key witness to the slaying, on a lesser charge of rioting. He is the fourth person acquitted of murder in the August 23rd, 1989, killing of 16-year-old Yusuf Hawkins. Vento was one of eight youths accused in the attack. So far, of the five defendants that have been tried, only Joseph Fama, the accused triggerman, has been convicted of murder.

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WEST LAFAYETTE, IN (DEC. 6) UPI - Jim Colletto, offensive coordinator at Ohio State, was named the new football coach at Purdue on Thursday, just one week after Fred Akers quit the job under pressure.

Colletto interviewed for the job Wednesday with a Purdue search committee and was a unanimous choice. Colletto and Ball State Coach Paul Schudel were the only two candidates to meet with the panel.

''Jim Colletto is an excellent coach. The time is right for his second opportunity at a head coaching position,'' said George King, Purdue's athletic director. ''I've made dozens of phone calls to some of the top football people in the country. Above and beyond everyone else, he has the ability to get the job done.''

Colletto, a former fullback at UCLA, leading the Bruins in rushing in 1963 and serving as team captain two years later. He served as an assistant coach at UCLA, Brown, Xavier and Pacific before being named coach at California State-Fullerton in 1975. He compiled a 17-38-1 record in four seasons there.

Colletto returned to UCLA for 1980 and 1981, then served three years as Purdue's offensive coordinator under Leon Burtnett. Since his departure in 1984 after a Peach Bowl appearance, the Boilermakers have not had six straight losing seasons.

Since leaving Purdue, Colletto has spent six years as an assistant to John Cooper, serving under him on three bowl teams at Arizona State and for the past three years at Ohio State. Colletto, 46, interviewed for the Purdue job after Burtnett was fired in 1986 and was a finalist for the Arizona State job when Cooper departed, a position that went instead to defensive coordinator Larry Marmie.

King assembled a search committee last week following Akers' decision to leave

Purdue. The group was charged to find a new coach with a Purdue background that could rebuild the Boilermakers, who were 12-31-1 under Akers. The program was also beset the past four years by poor academics, off-field discipline problems and declining attendance.

''Jim has a real feel about the academic welfare of our players,'' King said. ''We need to have a person who will recruit to the strengths of Purdue. If that means recruiting engineering students, that means recruiting engineering students. Jim Colletto's philosophy will help us in that direction.''

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MOVIES

''Henry V'' - Kenneth Branagh takes us ''once more unto the breach'' in an excellent rendition of Shakespeare's classic tale of the young 15th century soldier-king struggling to win his subjects' loyalty and in so doing, conquers France against overwhelming odds. Whether Shakespeare is your cup of tea or not, this is heady brew for anyone savoring fine acting, topped, of course, by Branagh's bravura performance that inevitably compares the 28-year-old newcomer with Laurence Olivier. Branagh also directed (he won Oscar nominations for acting and directing) and adapted the play for the screen, departing considerably from Olivier's famed 1945 portrayal. This Henry is a different Henry, a boyish almost anti-hero Henry, thoughtful, often moody as Hamlet, less patriotic than usually depicted, maybe a little unscrupulous, at times unsure but when he goes to war certain he's on God's quest. With a strong company of actors including Derek Jacobi, Paul Scofield and Ian Holm and acutely atmospheric staging, especially the mud-slogged battle at Agincourt, it's a worthy challenge for the senses. 1989. 138 minutes. CBS/Fox Video. Rated PG. $89.98.

"Ghost Dad" - On his way home, widower Elliott Hopper (Bill Cosby) gets taken on a wild taxi ride that winds up at the bottom of the river. Now, he's among the dearly departed, but he refuses to depart, dearly or otherwise, until he can help the three children he must leave behind. So, caught somewhere between the here and the hereafter, Elliott gets a ghost of a chance to tie up some loose ends and if he concentrates hard enough, he can be seen as well as heard. The kids seem to take it all in stride. After watching him disappear, reappear and walk through walls, his younger daughter asks, ''Can I take you to show-and-tell?'' Director Sidney Poitier's farce is strictly a Cosby show, transparent as ol' dad in the daylight but likely in the right spirit for Cosby fans. 1990. 84 minutes. MCA/Universal Home Video. Rated PG. No suggested retail price.

''Gremlins 2: The New Batch'' - Those pesky pranksters are back, this time

taking over a Manhattan skycraper in a generally clever, witty sequel to the 1984 hit about adorable furballs that turn into devilish slimeballs. Gizmo, the utterly cute Mogwai that caused so much havoc in the original, lands in a corporate monolith run by a Donald Trump-like tycoon and eventually is joined by a whole band of floppy-eared demons that lay waste to everything in a frenetic, comical assault. It's like a live-action cartoon, a ''Die Hard'' with puppets, played for laughs, entertainment aimed at kids but which the whole family can appreciate. 1990. 107 minutes. Warner Home Video. Rated PG-13. $92.95

''High Desert Kill'' - Three friends go on a hunting expedition in the New Mexico high country only to discover that they are the ones being hunted, stalked by a sinister, alien force. Eventually, as the grim purpose becomes evident, they have to make a stand. No ''Predator'' but an engaging if uneven little film with some surprises. Marc Singer, Anthony Geary and Micah Grant play the menaced trio, joined by Chuck Connors as a grizzled mountain man. 1990. 93 minutes. MCA/Universal Home Video. Rated PG-13. $79.95

''El Diablo'' - When one of his students is kidnapped by a notorious outlaw called El Diablo, school teacher Billy Ray Smith (Anthony Edwards) sets out to track down the bandits and rescue the youngster. Since he can't ride or shoot very well, Billy Ray hires a gunslinger (Louis Gossett Jr.) and his motley gang to even things up. A tall tale of a Western, made for cable. 1990. 107 minutes. HBO Video. $89.99

''Too Hot To Handle'' - Clark Gable and Walter Pidgeon are rival newsreel photographers competing for the hand of pilot Myrna Loy in this fast-paced action-comedy, reminiscent at times of the old Saturday afternoon cliffhanger serials. Another jewel of the past making its home video debut. 1938. 108 minutes. MGM/UA Home Video. $19.98.

''Kiss Of Death'' - A taut crime drama from the '40s that may have aged a bit, but is still a humdinger in its home video debut. Richard Widmark totally steals the show in his Oscar-nominated film debut as Tommy Udo, a giggling, psychopathic killer, so mean he shoves an old lady in a wheelchair down a flight of stairs. Victor Mature is the ex-con who gets in a load of trouble when he squeals on Tommy. 1947. 99 minutes. CBS/Fox Video. $39.98.

''Panic In The Streets'' - A slain man is found to be infected with bubonic plague, touching off an all-out search for the killer to thwart a deadly epidemic in Elia Kazan's keen atmospheric thriller. Richard Widmark plays the New Orleans medical examiner who's heading the manhunt for Jack Palance, in one of his first screen roles, and partner Zero Mostel. 1950. 96 minutes. CBS/Fox Video. $39.98.

VIDBITS

''Pretty Woman'' has moved back into the top spot among the nation's video

movie rentals, bumping ''Total Recall'' back to second place in the latest Billboard Magazine survey. The charming Cinderella update starring Julia Roberts and Richard Gere also remains the No. 1 videocassette bestseller .... Keep in mind these coming attractions: ''RoboCop 2'' on Dec. 13, ''Dick Tracy'' on the 19th ... RCA-Columbia has pushed back release of ''Last Exit To Brooklyn'' to Dec. 19 ...

Billboard's Top 10 rentals

1. Pretty Woman _ Touchstone Home Video
2. Total Recall _ Carolco Home Video
3. The Hunt For Red October _ Paramount Home Video
4. Back To The Future III _ MCA-Universal Home Video
5. Bird on a Wire _ MCA-Universal Home Video
6. Another 48 Hours _ Paramount Home Video
7. The Rocky Horror Picture Show _ CBS-Fox Video
8. Cadillac Man _ Orion Home Video
9. Q&A _ HBO Video
10. Glory _ RCA-Columbia Home Video

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 7) UPI - Actor Gary Coleman was released from an Arizona hospital Thursday following treatment for his recurring kidney problems, his publicist said. Coleman, the former diminutive star of the television series "Diff'rent Strokes," was admitted to the undisclosed hospital last week.

Publicist Michael Gerety said Coleman indicated he is feeling very well and his current health problem has been resolved. "He did not say what his immediate plans were other than looking forward to some peace and quiet," Gerety said in a release.

Coleman, 22, who was born with a defective kidney, has had several kidney transplants.

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DENVER (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - At the annual general meeting of Nevada Goldfields Corp. held in Vancouver, Canada, on Dec. 4, 1990, the company's shareholders approved the issuance of a sufficient number of common stock to complete a proposed private placement of up to US$6 million and approved the implementation of a stock option plan for employees, officers and directors of the company

The shareholders elected to the company's board of directors Robert H. Allen (63), Richard C. Atkinson (48), James Ainsworth (60), Alan R. Bell (51), J.

Alan O. Spence (53) and Rodney D. Knutson (48). Ainsworth is a new member to the board and Allen and Atkinson recently joined the board.

Ainsworth, a mining engineer, has extensive experience in the international financing and construction of mines and smelter facilities in Africa, North and South America and Australia. He is a director of Warrior International Ltd., a United Kingdom investment banking firm. Warrior is acting as financial advisor to Nevada Goldfields and is underwriting, on a best efforts basis the proposed private placement announced Sept. 11, 1990.

The board appointed Alan R. Bell as president and chief executive officer, James D. Frank as vice president-finance, and William F. Mudon as secretary.

Nevada Goldfields Corp. is a Canadian public company with two gold mines in Nevada. Its shares trade on The Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol NGF, on NASDAQ under the symbol NGFCF, and on the Stuttgart Exchange, Germany, under the symbol NGF SG.

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MILPITAS, Calif. (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - System Industries Inc., (ASE:SYI) Friday announced that System Industries Inc. of Milpitas, and Digital Equipment Corp. of Maynard, Mass., issued a joint statement today to announce the settlement of all pending litigation between the two companies.

The two companies have been in litigation since April 1989 when Digital filed an action against System Industries in U.S. District Court in Boston. The lawsuit alleged that certain of System Industries' computer disk and tape drive products infringe various patents on Digital's SDI/STI computer interconnection and control technology.

In June 1989, System Industries filed counterclaims against Digital alleging that Digital's patent enforcement and marketing practices violate federal antitrust laws.

Although the details of the settlement were not disclosed, the companies jointly stated that:

-- Digital's patent infringement lawsuit and System Industries' antitrust counterclaims will be dismissed.

-- SI has agreed to the phase out of sales of products covered by Digital's SDI/STI patents and has agreed to compensate Digital in settlement of its patent infringement claims.

-- Digital has agreed to provide SI with alternative means for SI to attach its high performance storage subsystems to existing and future Digital systems which include VAXBI and Turbo channel licenses and a cooperative SI-Digital effort for SI to develop a high performance XMI-VME adapter for Digital's use on its systems.

-- SI and Digital have agreed to resume normal business relations, as reflected by Digital and SI agreeing on the terms of a future OEM arrangement related to Digital's RA9X disk drives and SI's development of a tape adapter for attachment to Digital systems.

System Industries Inc., headquartered in Milpitas, designs, manufactures, markets and services high performance disk and tape storage systems for use with Digital Equipment Corp. computer systems.

Digital Equipment Corp., headquartered in Maynard, is a leading manufacturer of networked computer systems and is a leader in systems integration with its networks, communications, services and software products.

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BROOMFIELD, CO (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Mary E. Coleman has joined McDATA Corp. as vice president of marketing according to President Tim Hoogheem.

Coleman is responsible for directing all aspects of McDATA's marketing efforts including product marketing, distribution strategies and other marketing programs, and corporate communications.

Coleman comes to McDATA with over 16 years of marketing experience in the computer industry. Most recently, Coleman was co-founder and vice president for NETBASE, a developer of structured query language (SQL) database computers used to store large amounts of information.

Prior to NETBASE, Coleman was vice president of marketing for Solbourne Computer, creator of the first Sun-compatible workstations and multiprocessing servers. She also held senior marketing positions with NBI, Otrona Advanced Systems, and Analog Systems.

Coleman's experience has involved management of broad product lines with worldwide distribution through direct sales, value-added reselling (VAR), dealer, and original equipment manufacturer (OEM) channels. She studied business administration at Towson University and computer science at the University of Colorado.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - American Airlines and The Sheraton Grande have teamed up to offer holiday shoppers and after-Christmas bargain hunters a getaway to Los Angeles on a budget.

The package includes round-trip airfare from San Francisco to Los Angeles and overnight accommodations at The Sheraton Grande Hotel in the heart of downtown Los Angeles for $170. Additional nights at The Sheraton Grande are available at a special rate of $85 single or double occupancy.

The Mobil Four-Star Sheraton Grande luxury hotel is conveniently located in the center of the downtown shopping district with Bullock's/I. Magnin, Brooks Brothers, May Company, Robinsons, and the fashion and jewelry marts. Complimentary limousine service is provided to Beverly Hills and Rodeo Drive.

The Sheraton Grande is the only hotel in Los Angeles with personal butler service for every room. The special rate includes complimentary coffee and newspaper every morning delivered by the butler, shoeshine, light pressing and corkage. Bullocks/I. Magnin is offering a complimentary custom gift wrap with every purchase with the package.

The package is effective now through January 16 in time for the after-Christmas sales. Room rate is based on availability and is good seven days a week.

For additional information or reservations, call toll-free to Sheraton at 800/325-3535 or American Airlines, 800/433-1790. Travel Agents can call toll free at 800/334-8484

The package is commissionable to travel agents.

CONTACT: Sheraton Hotels, Los Angeles
Marilyn Watkins or Marje Bennetts, 213/626-1700

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PARIS (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Pasquale Pistorio, president and chief executive officer of SGS-Thomson Microelectronics, has announced his decision to make a significant change in the group's management structure.

He has created an "Office of the General Manager" in order to better respond to the demands of a corporation which has almost doubled its sales since it was formed in 1987, while providing SGS-Thomson with greater management depth, flexibility and continuity in a period when the market is becoming even more complex and competitive.

Concurrently, the internal organization has been reshaped to conform better to current market realities. Five divisional P&L organizations cover all the major sectors of microelectronics: Dedicated Products, Discrete and Standard Circuits, Memories, Programmable Products and Subsystems & RF Devices.

Daniel Queyssac has been appointed by Pistorio to the newly created post of chief operating officer, reporting to him and sharing with him the responsibilities of the Office of the General Manager.

Queyssac, who returns to his native France after 12 years in the United States brings with him a proven record of success firstly with Motorola, where he held several top managerial positions and, for the last 10 years, as president of the U.S. subsidiaries of SGS and then SGS-Thomson Microelectronics.

Under his direction the American company grew from a $13 million sales entity to become a complete operating unit with state-of-the-art production facilities, advanced R&D and a nationwide marketing and sales network. During the same period sales and market penetration consistently increased to well over $300 million in 1989.

Commenting on the appointment, Pasquale Pistorio said: "Daniel, with his long experience in the American market, coupled with his European background, was the natural choice for the new appointment.

"I look forward to working more closely with him at a central corporate level where his knowledge of the United States will undoubtedly give extra breadth and vision to our traditionally international outlook."

SGS-Thomson Microelectronics designs and manufactures a wide range of semiconductor components including discretes: power transistors (LF and RF), SCRs/triacs, protection devices; MOS LSI: microprocessor, semicustom, graphic and memory devices; standard logic; linear and dedicated analog/digital ICs for automotive, telecommunications, datacommunication, computer, and military applications. The company is the world's number one supplier of smart power devices.

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FREMONT, CA (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - James T. Healy, a co-founder of Trillium

Corp. and a senior vice president at LTX Corp. for the past seven years, Friday joined Credence Systems Corp. as senior vice president, corporate marketing, and general manager of the 6000, 8000 and VChip Series Product Group.

Healy assumes a newly created post at Credence, and will report to chairman and chief executive officer David J. Mees. The appointment is effective immediately.

A recognized leader in the ATE industry for almost 25 years, Healy will be responsible for worldwide corporate marketing, and product marketing and engineering organizations located at the Fremont, Calif., facility.

Healy's last position at LTX was senior vice president, corporate marketing and worldwide sales and support. Prior to that position, he served as senior vice president of LTX' corporate marketing, engineering, and research and development organizations.

Healy co-founded Trillium Corp. in February 1983, and moved to LTX as Senior vice president and general manager of the Trillium Division of LTX following the merger in July 1986.

His career in the electronics industry began in 1962 when he joined RCA Corp.'s Defense Products Division in Cambridge, Ohio following a four-year assignment in the U.S. Navy. He joined Fairchild Test Systems Group in 1966, holding a variety of sales, marketing and management posts, including assignments in Japan, Hong Kong and Germany.

He moved in January 1980 to Trio-Tech International as vice president of marketing, then in December 1981 to Genrad Corp. as general manager of operations. He left Genrad to develop Trillium and its high end ATE systems in January 1983.

Credence is a leading supplier of digital VLSI and mixed-signal test systems used by test engineers in all phases of IC production test including device characterization and debug, production test and incoming inspection. Credence markets its products through direct sales and distributors in North American, Europe and the Far East.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Water conservation results for November 1990 show a 4.85 percent increase in overall usage as compared with 1987 levels, reports San Jose Water Co.

This is the first time this year that conservation results showed an increase over 1987 levels. The goal for mandatory water rationing is to reduce water usage by 20 percent from 1987 levels.

''The weather has been the major contributor to the disappointing conservation results,'' stated Sharon Whaley, public relations specialist. ''With very little rain and continued warm weather, outdoor irrigation has continued.''

In November 1987, there was 1.6 inches of rain as compared with 0.24 inches and warm weather this November. During most winter months, the rain replaces the need for outdoor irrigation. Unfortunately, most irrigation systems remain on due to lack of rainfall and water use remains relatively high.

San Jose Water Co. serves 202,000 customers in San Jose, Campbell, Cupertino, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno and Saratoga.

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Sharon Whaley, 408/279-7815

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DENVER (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Premier Resources Ltd. (Boston:PRL) shareholders approved a merger of Premier with Oxford Consolidated Inc. (NASDAQ:OXCI) at a special shareholders meeting Friday.

The merger which will become effective on Jan. 2, 1991, calls for the exchange of one share of Oxford Consolidated stock for 32 shares of Premier stock.

Premier and Oxford are both Denver-based oil and gas companies with major producing properties located in Alberta Canada, Colorado, Wyoming, California and Oklahoma. After the merger the company plans to continue to acquire oil and gas properties and to exploit the potential of the properties which it owns.

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#90341b0114 12/07/1990 ~Business Wire
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Genentech Inc. (NYSE: GNE) Friday reached an agreement to settle all stockholder suits brought against the company in 1988 as federal securities class actions which were consolidated under the jurisdiction of the U.S. District Court for Northern California.

Under the agreement, the claims against Genentech and the other defendants will be dismissed without any admission or presumption of any liability or wrongdoing.

The total settlement will be $29.0 million, with Genentech's insurance carrier contributing a substantial portion of that amount. Genentech previously established adequate reserves to cover its portion of the settlement and, therefore, it will have no material impact on fourth quarter earnings.

The complaint was brought against the company, certain of its officers and directors. The complaint contains allegations of violations of securities laws that purportedly artificially inflated the price of Genentech's stock during a portion of the years 1987 and 1988.

Genentech Inc. is a leading biotechnology company focusing on the development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceuticals produced by recombinant DNA technology.

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TULSA, OK (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Geodyne Resources Inc. (NASDAQ:GEOD) reported Friday that Amerada Hess, Amoco, Arco and other oil companies have exercised an option to purchase oil and gas properties Geodyne had agreed to purchase from Oryx Energy Co.

The properties affected by these preferential rights have an agreed value of $30.3 million. Consequently, the total purchase price to be paid by limited partnerships sponsored by Geodyne for the remaining oil and gas properties of the recently announced acquisition from Oryx will be $28.7 million, subject to certain adjustments.

With headquarters in Tulsa, Geodyne Resources manages the PaineWebber/Geodyne Energy Income Program I, II and III and PaineWebber/Geodyne Institutional/Pension Energy Income Programs I and II and evaluates, acquires, manages and develops oil and gas reserves for its limited partnerships. The company also has offices in Houston and San Antonio.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Teledyne Inc. said fourth-quarter earnings will be about break-even because of a planned closing of Teledyne Monarch Rubber and overruns in certain fixed-price defense contracts.

Teledyne has been attempting to sell its Teledyne Monarch Rubber operation and has been unsuccessful in this effort so far. In view of this uncertainty Teledyne Monarch Rubber plans to cease operations sometime during 1991. Teledyne will include the estimated cost of this closure in 1990 fourth-quarter results.

Teledyne Monarch Rubber, which produces rubber and metal parts for the automotive industry and industrial tires, had sales of $135 million in 1989 and employs approximately 900 people. It has had continuing losses.

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SANTA ANA, CA (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - EECO Inc. announced Friday it has completed the previously announced transaction to merge its EECO Computer Inc. (ECI) into EECO and sell and assign certain assets related to the ECI business to a Hong Kong investor group.

''EECO's consummation of the ECI transaction is the last major step in EECO's strategy of selling non-core assets to provide funds to finance its Plan of Reorganization'' stated George B. DeHuff III, EECO's president and chief executive officer.

EECO also announced that on Nov. 21, 1990, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court approved EECO's disclosure statement as containing adequate information as required by the Bankruptcy Code. EECO is, therefore, in a position to solicit votes on confirmation of its Plan of Reorganization.

A hearing on confirmation of the plan is currently scheduled for Jan. 30, 1991 and, if the plan is confirmed, EECO should emerge from Chapter 11 shortly thereafter. DeHuff emphasized that ''we are very pleased with the significant progress toward our objective of emerging from Chapter 11.

''In order to ensure our ability to emerge from Chapter 11 and internally fund

our planned growth, we must maintain our commitment to stregthen operating performance. This requires continued focus on increased revenue, on-time delivery, further improvement in margins and control of costs.''

EECO manufactures and markets electronic keypads, electromechanical switches and computer keyboards in the United States and in Europe.

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IRVINE, Calif. (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Printronix Inc. (NASDAQ:PTNX), manufacturer of computer printers, announced Friday that its board of directors has authorized the company to purchase and retire up to 400,000 shares, or approximately 12 percent, of the company's outstanding common stock.

Together with previously authorized repurchases that have not been made, the company is currently authorized to repurchase approximately 470,210 shares. Purchases will be made from time to time on the open market.

Printronix, founded in 1974, designs, manufactures and markets a full range of printers for business and industrial applications. Printronix leads the industry as the supplier of printers for rugged industrial applications.

Products include patented matrix line printers for heavy-duty cycle, medium and high-speed printing and plotting, non-impact page printers for shared office applications requiring letter-quality printing and high-resolution graphics and Intelligent Graphics Processors (IGP) for on-line generation of forms and bar-code labels.

The company's products are marketed worldwide to original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), value-added resellers (VARs) and through a network of full-service distributors.

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FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Northern Railroad Co. Friday announced that, due in part to requests from several bondholders, it has extended until 12 midnight, New York City time, on Monday, Dec. 17, unless further extended by the company, its previously announced exchange offers to holders of its Great Northern Railway Co. general mortgage bonds, 3-1/8 percent, Series O, due 2000, and 2-5/8 percent, Series Q, due 2010, Northern Pacific Railway Co. general lien railway and land grant 3 percent bonds, due

2047, and prior lien railway and land grant 4 percent bonds, due 1997.

The company has also extended until 12 midnight, New York City time, on Thursday, Dec. 20, unless further extended by the company, its previously announced exchange offers to holders of its St. Louis- San Francisco Railway Co. income debentures, 5 percent, Series A, due 2006, and First Mortgage Bonds 4 percent, Series A, due 1997 (collectively, all of the securities above are referred to as the ''Old Debt Securities'').

If any of the exchange offers is further extended beyond Dec. 17 or Dec. 20, as the case may be, the company will permit holders who have tendered such Old Debt Securities to withdraw their tenders during any such further extension period.

The exchange offers were originally scheduled to expire at 12 midnight, New York City time, on Friday, Dec. 7. The extension will provide additional time for holders of Old Debt Securities to receive the offering materials, consider the exchange offers and complete delivery of the Old Debt Securities.

Based on information provided to the company by Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York (the ''Exchange Agent''), as of 4:55 p.m., New York City time, on Dec. 7, the aggregate principal amount of each issue of Old Debt Securities tendered pursuant to the exchange offers is as follows: GN Series O Bonds $3,406,000; GN Series Q Bonds $5,402,000; NP Prior Lien Bonds $2,368,500; NP General Lien Bonds $12,262,000; SL-SF Debentures $12,926,100; and SL-SF Bonds $4,791,800; and as of such date and time the approximate percentages of the outstanding principal amounts of SL-SF Debentures and SL-SF Bonds consenting to the proposed amendments, either through tendering the securities or by consenting without tendering, are as follows: SL-SF Debentures 56.3 percent; and SL-SF Bonds 50.0 percent.

With respect to the exchange offers to holders of SL-SF Bonds and SL-SF Debentures, the company has waived the condition that there shall have been received, on or prior to the applicable expiration date, valid and unrevoked consents to the proposed amendments by the holders of at least 66-2/3 percent of the outstanding principal amount of the SL-SF Bonds and SL-SF Debentures, respectively.

The effect of this waiver is that the company will accept valid tenders for any and all SL-SF Bonds and SL-SF Debentures tendered, subject to the other conditions set forth in the prospectus. The company has also extended until 12 midnight, New York City time, on Thursday, Dec. 20, the time prior to which the SL-SF Bonds and SL-SF Debentures may be withdrawn.

Consent payments will not be made to consenting holders of SL-SF Debentures unless the holders of not less than 66-2/3 percent of the outstanding principal amount of SL-SF Debentures consent to the proposed amendments to the SL-SF Debenture Indenture and such proposed amendments become effective.

Similarly, consent payments will not be made to consenting holders of SL-SF Bonds unless the holders of not less than 66-2/3 percent of the outstanding principal amount of SL-SF Bonds consent to the proposed amendments to the SL-SF Mortgage and such proposed amendments become effective. Holders of SL-SF Debentures and SL-SF Bonds may consent to the proposed amendments either through tendering such securities or by consenting without tendering.

The exchange offers are made only by prospectus. Any questions or requests for assistance or copies of the prospectus may be directed to the information agent, Kissel-Blake Inc., at 800/554-7733.

CONTACT: Burlington Northern Railroad Co., Fort Worth
Mike Wenninger, 817/878-2306

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SAN ANTONIO (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - BUILDERS DESIGN INC. (NASDAQ SYMBOL: BDNI, BSE SYMBOL: BDI) Thursday announced it has declared an annual dividend of $900 on its Convertible Preferred Stock, payable on Dec. 19 in shares of Common Stock, to holders of record on Dec. 17.

There were 123 shares of Convertible Preferred Stock outstanding at Dec. 3, and holders at the record date will receive 3,840 shares of Common Stock for each share of Convertible Preferred Stock. The total number of shares of Common Stock to be issued by the company in payment of the dividend is 472,320 shares.

The company has recently entered into a letter of intent to acquire for stock New Era Interiors, Inc., a privately-owned, Phoenix based company which markets and sells floor coverings to residential and commercial builders from three locations in Arizona and Southern California.

The company has also entered into a letter of intent to acquire for stock the assets and certain liabilities of Pacific Business Group Inc., a privately-owned San Diego based company which markets and sells floor coverings to residential and commercial builders under the name Design for Living from six locations in Arizona and Southern California.

The company, through its Phoenix-based wholly-owned subsidiary, Letco Inc., provides high quality floor, wall and window coverings, together with professional installation service, to residential home builders, commercial builders and on a retail basis through 9 stores located in California and Arizona.

BUILDERS DESIGN INC. Convertible Preferred Stock, Redeemable Common Stock Purchase Warrants and Class A Redeemable Common Stock Purchase Warrants are

also traded in the over-the-counter market.

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LAS VEGAS (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Acceptance Corp. (NASDAQ:WACO) announced that it has signed a letter of intent with the Delta Insurance Group for WACO to acquire Delta Budget Account, an insurance premium finance company in Houston.

Robert J. Jirovec, WACO's president and chief executive officer said, ''This is an outstanding opportunity for us to increase our share of the large Texas market, and also get the benefit of associating with some very experienced and successful insurance people.

''It's another step in our strategy of consolidating the non-standard insurance premium finance industry, and our opportunities for growth are abundant.''

The chairman of the Delta Insurance Group, Avrohm I. Wisenberg, has been the president of the American Association of Managing General Agents and is currently the president of the Texas Association of Independent Lloyds companies.

He has been an underwriting member of Lloyds of London for more than 10 years. Wisenberg will join the board of advisors of Western Acceptance Corp.

WACO will acquire Delta Budget in exchange for approximately $450,000 of WACO's common stock and a $100,000 two year convertible note.

Western Acceptance Corp. is implementing a ''growth by acquisition'' strategy and has previously acquired two other companies in 1990. Premium finance companies joining WACO's network have access to its significant funding sources which lets them increase their financing activities in their geographic area.

COTNACT: Western Acceptance Corp., Las Vegas
Chris G. Mendrop, 303/674-2014 (in Evergreen, Colo.)

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SAN MATEO, CALIF. (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of California Jockey Club (ASE:CJ) has declared a semi-annual cash dividend of 40 cents per share for the second half of the year, payable Dec. 27, 1990, to

shareholders of record on Dec. 17, 1990.

The dividend represents a 5-cents-per-share increase over the 35-cent dividend per share paid in the second half of 1989. The dividend for the full year 1990 will amount to 75 cents per share, an increase of 15 cents per share, or 25 percent.

''Our increased dividend reflects the improving financial performance of California Jockey Club and Bay Meadows Operating Co.,'' said James P. Conn, president of Bay Meadows.

Conn noted that average daily handle for the 1990-1991 meet continued to reflect a strong increase over last year's meet. ''Through Dec. 2, or for the first 75 days of our racing meet, total average Northern California daily handle was up 10 percent over the same period of last year's meet,'' he noted.

California Jockey Club is one of the nation's three publicly traded real estate investment trusts whose primary asset is a horse racing track. Its shares are traded on a paired basis with Bay Meadows Operating Co., which operates Bay Meadows Racetrack on the San Francisco peninsula.

As a real estate investment trust, California Jockey is required to pay at least 95 percent of its taxable income to shareholders in the form of a dividend.

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Kalt, Rosen & Associates, San Francisco

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LONG BEACH, CALIF. (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer Inc. introduced Friday HyperCard IIGS, a user-focused toolkit of information management software for the Apple IIGS personal computer.

The new product will allow Apple IIGS users to create their own custom software and personalize the way they store, explore and present information. The announcement was made at the AppleFest Conference and Exposition being held Friday and Saturday at the Long Beach Convention Center.

''We're very excited about HyperCard IIGS,'' said Ralph Russo, director of the Apple II Business Unit at Apple. ''Because our Apple II customers are extremely important to us, we continue to look for ways to provide product enhancements that increase the value of their investment in our technology. We believe HyperCard IIGS does just that.'' Features and Benefits

Like the original HyperCard for the Macintosh personal computer, HyperCard IIGS functions much like a set of index cards. Users store information in documents called stacks, which are made up of individual units called cards. Cards can contain text, graphics, scanned images, and even sound. Buttons on the cards can be used to link cards and stacks, and much more.

HyperCard IIGS supports multiple media by letting users work with information in virtually any form, including text, graphics, video, sound and animation. It also takes full advantage of the advanced 16-color graphics capabilities of the Apple IIGS.

To allow customers to begin immediately using the software, the program comes with a large collection of ready-to-use stacks -- plus templates and card designs to help individuals create their own stacks.

The program's scripting language, HyperTalk, provides buttons, cards, stacks and utilities such as debugging tools to facilitate creation of sophisticated programs and speed the preparation and performance of user-designed HyperCard stacks.

With HyperCard IIGS, Apple IIGS customers have the full functionality of Macintosh HyperCard version 1.2.5 -- plus specific enhancements to improve performance and take advantage of the color capabilities built into the Apple IIGS. They can also enjoy the additional benefit of accessing the many stacks that already exist for the Macintosh once developers convert them for the Apple IIGS.

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RANCHO MIRAGE, CA (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - American Toxxic Control Inc. announced that at its annual meeting of stockholders on Dec. 3, 1990, approval was given to change the name to United States Filter Corp.

Richard J. Heckmann, United States Filter Corp.'s chairman and chief executive officer, said the name change will better reflect the primary focus of the company.

United States Filter Corp. is a product, technology and systems engineering company engaged primarily in the manufacture of municipal and industrial liquid purification and filtration systems.

United States Filter Corp. stock is traded on the NASDAQ system in the Over-The-Counter market. Because of the name change a new NASDAQ trading

symbol has been assigned to reflect the new name. Effective Monday, Dec. 10, 1990, the new symbol will be USFF.

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PURCHASE, NY (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - International Paper Friday announced the closing on its purchase of the Cookson Graphics business from Cookson Group plc of the United Kingdom for $215 million (U.S.).

The company had previously expressed its intent to purchase Cookson Graphics on Nov. 6.

Cookson Graphics is a global supplier of lithographic printing plates, press-room chemicals and plate processing equipment to the commercial printing industry. It has manufacturing facilities in the United Kingdom, Germany and the United States.

It is estimated that Cookson Graphics' 1990 sales will total approximately $300 million.

With the acquisition of Cookson Graphics, International Paper's total sales of consumables and equipment to the commercial printing industry will more than double to nearly $600 million. Together with the company's Ilford division, which produces professional black-and-white and color papers and films, International Paper's total sales in imaging will exceed $900 million.

International Paper, headquartered in Purchase, N.Y. is a worldwide producer of a variety of paper and forest products. The company is a major producer of printing and writing papers, paperboard and packaging products, and wood products.

The company also operates specialty products businesses and distributes paper and wood products. International Paper has manufacturing operations in 22 countries and exports its products to more than 100 nations.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Friday announced that as of midnight last night, New York City time, it had determined that approximately 2,988,368 Samna Corp. shares, or 95 percent of the outstanding shares, had been validly tendered (and not withdrawn) to a wholly-owned subsidiary of Lotus formed for the Samna acquisition.

The tender offer for all outstanding shares of Samna common stock expired at midnight last night.

Lotus has accepted for payment all of the shares validly tendered prior to the tender offer's expiration.

The tender offer commenced on Nov. 7, 1990, after the Nov. 1, 1990, announcement of the merger agreement involving Lotus and Samna. The agreement provides, among other things, that after completion of the tender offer -- and subject to the merger agreement's terms and conditions -- any shares not acquired during the tender period will be acquired in a related merger for $18.84 per share in cash.

''With the tender offer behind us, we will move forward in working with Said 1/8Mohammadioun3/8 and his organization to establish Lotus as a leader in the Windows word processing market,'' said Jim Manzi, Lotus' president and chief executive officer. ''We already have work underway to enhance the Ami product line and to provide tight integration of Ami Pro with Notes and our spreadsheet and graphics products under development for the Windows 3.0 environment. Ami and Ami Pro are powerful additions to the Lotus product family, and with our added marketing, sales and distribution strength, we believe these products will help us gain a significant share of the Windows application market.''

Lotus Development Corp. (NASDAQ:LOTS), founded in 1982, develops, markets and supports business software and CD-ROM databases that help users access, analyze, communicate and share information.

The company's first product, Lotus 1-2-3, is the most popular personal computer software program in the world with more than 14 million users. Lotus markets its broad range of products in more than 65 countries and offers users comprehensive support options, including 24-hour-a-day, seven-day-a-week support in the U.S. for PC versions of its 1-2-3 spreadsheet.

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DENVER (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Hallwood Energy Partners L.P. (AMEX:HEP) Friday announced a quarterly distribution of 40 cents per unit payable on Feb. 15, 1991, to unitholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

HEP also announced that over 8,000 unitholders have responded to the offer made by Hallwood Consolidated Partners L.P. to purchase the holdings of unitholders owning 99 or fewer units of HEP. Because of the overwhelming response and in order to permit unitholders to sell their units within the 1990 tax year, the offer is being extended to Dec. 24, 1990. The price to be paid for units received within the extension period will be the average of the closing market prices for HEP units from Dec. 10, 1990, through Dec. 24, 1990.

Other than the extension and terms mentioned above, all other terms of the offer remain the same. The offer is managed by Shareholder Communications Corp.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Ogden Corporation announced Friday that it declared a special supplemental dividend of six cents per share.

The dividend is payable January 23, 1991, to stockholders of record as of the close of business on January 2, 1991.

This dividend represents ten percent of the gain recorded by Ogden as a result of the sale by Ogden Projects of its stock in March 1990.

CONTACT: Ogden Corporation, New York, Philip Ruppel, (212) 868-5717.

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CINCINNATI (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Clement L. Buenger, chairman and CEO of Fifth Third Bancorp, Cincinnati, and J. Clifton Stilz Jr., president and CEO of Montgomery Bancorporation Inc., Mt. Sterling, Ky., announced that they have reached preliminary agreement on the terms under which Montgomery Bancorporation Inc. will merge into Fifth Third Bank of Central Kentucky, National Association.

Mt. Sterling is located 30 miles east of Lexington, off Interstate I-64.

Montgomery Bancorporation Inc. is a two-bank holding company with assets of

$149 million. The two banks in the holding company are Montgomery & Traders Bank & Trust Co., located in Mt. Sterling, and Farmers Exchange Bank, located in Millersburg, Ky. Montgomery Bancorporation has eight offices located throughout Bourbon, Montgomery and Menifee counties. With the addition of Montgomery Bancorporation, Fifth Third Bank of Central Kentucky will grow to 11 locations with total assets of approximately $190 million. Fifth Third Bank of Central Kentucky is headquartered in Paris, Ky.

According to Fifth Third Bancorp's chairman and CEO, Buenger, Fifth Third's plans include merging Montgomery Bancorporation with Fifth Third Bank of Central Kentucky and Fifth Third's Lexington Loan Production Office, eventually moving Fifth Third Bank of Central Kentucky's headquarters from Paris to Lexington. Once complete, Fifth Third will have a presence in Fayette, Bourbon, Montgomery and Menifee counties.

The partial cash and partial stock transaction, subject to shareholder and regulatory approval, is valued at approximately $16.7 million. It is expected that the transaction will close in the first half of 1991.

Fifth Third Bancorp has 11 affiliate banks and has $7.7 billion in assets. The Bancorp has 214 banking locations, including 29 Bank Marts in select Kroger stores, throughout Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana. The Bancorp's stock is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol FITB.

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BOSTON (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Gulf Resources & Chemical Corp. declared the quarterly dividend on the company's Series B Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock in the amount of 32.5 cents per share payable Feb. 1, 1991, to the holders of record of such shares on Jan. 15, 1991.

For further information contact Lawrence R. Mehl, vice president, general counsel & secretary, Gulf Resources & Chemical Corp., 99 High Street, Boston, MA 02110, 617/482-2555.

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JACKSON, MS (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - LDDS Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: LDDSA) Friday announced that it has signed a letter of intent to acquire Phone America of Carolina Inc.

Based in Charlotte, N.C., Phone America of Carolina is a reseller of long distance services in various markets throughout North Carolina. The company also provides long distance services in portions of South Carolina and eastern Tennessee. Its annual revenues are approximately $16 million. Subject to regulatory approval, completion of due diligence activities and financing arrangements, LDDS expects to close the acquisition in early 1991.

Commenting on the announcement, Bernard J. Ebbers, president of LDDS, stated, "The acquisition of Phone America of Carolina will allow LDDS to continue its geographic expansion into an attractive market contiguous to its current operations.

The strong growth in North Carolina's economy presents an excellent opportunity for our company. We look forward to participating in this key southeastern market."

LDDS Communications Inc. is one of the largest regional long distance companies in the United States and provides long distance service to customers located in 12 contiguous states in the South and Midwest.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - With its strong international presence and strategic financial and marketing plans in place, Alcan is well equipped to weather the turbulence of the coming year, enroute to further growth in the '90s.

That was the message David Morton, Alcan Aluminium Limited chairman and chief executive officer, shared with reporters this morning at the company's annual press briefing in New York.

He briefed the media on the outlook for the world aluminum industry and the steps Alcan is taking to sustain growth and financial performance in the face of global economic uncertainties.

To respond to the expected short term economic difficulties, Alcan is reducing capital expenditures from a level of $1.2 billion in 1990 to under $900 million in 1991 without sacrificing the key strategic investments such as rolling mill expansions in the United States and Europe, as well as a hydroelectric construction project in British Columbia.

Alcan's working capital has been lowered substantially through inventory reductions. Current inventories of about 10 weeks supply are at the lowest level ever.

As business conditions tighten, Alcan will also benefit from the effects of its cost reduction programs, Morton commented. ''These efforts are ongoing, with a goal next year of taking an additional $200 million out of the total cost stream from raw materials to fabricating and shipping,'' he said. ''No stones are being left unturned as we attack our operating and overhead costs '' he added.

In the United States, the second and third quarters produced good growth, following a weak period in the first three months of the year. In the final quarter, business is still holding up reasonably well, although there are some soft spots.''

Alcan Rolled Products Co. operates eight plants in North America (six in the United States and two in Canada), including its 40 percent share in Logan Aluminum in Russelville, Ky. The company ships about 600,000 metric tons and accounts for approximately 40 percent of Alcan's worldwide shipments of fabricated products.

With its $1.7 billion in sales, Alcan Rolled Products ranks the equivalent of a Fortune 300 Industrial Company. The Cleveland-based unit has approximately 15 percent to 16 percent of the North American aluminum flat rolled market. Aluminum sheet and foil from Alcan serve the beverage can, building and construction, automotive and other varied markets.

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FRAMINGHAM, MA (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The TJX Cos. Inc. (NYSE:TJX) announced that Fletcher H. Wiley has joined its board of directors.

Wiley has been a senior partner at Wiley & Richlin, P.C. since 1979. Among his areas of specialization are corporate, commercial and real estate law.

Since the early 1970's Wiley, who is known as ''Flash'', has played an active role in public service on the local, state and national levels. Most recently he was appointed by the governor of Massachusetts to the International Trade Advisory Board. Wiley held the position of Commissioner of the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for two terms in the late 1970's and early 1980's.

For four consecutive terms, Wiley was appointed by the mayor of Boston to the board of directors of the Economic Development and Industrial Corp. of Boston, and has served as advisor or chairman on a long list of other prestigious committees and boards. Early in his distinguished career, Wiley was a project

manager for the management consulting firm, Abt Associates Inc.

Bernard Cammarata, president and chief executive officer of The TJX Cos. Inc. commented, ''It is a great pleasure to welcome Flash Wiley to our board of directors. His broad knowledge of social, economic and community affairs, as well as his extensive law experience, make him a valued addition to the TJX board.''

Wiley graduated from the US Air Force Academy in 1965 and went on to receive a Fulbright fellowship in International Relations at the University of Paris in 1966. He holds both a law degree from Harvard Law School and a Masters degree from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

In addition, Wiley was a fellow at the Massachusetts International Fellows Program at the Unversity at Massachusetts at Amherst and the London Business School.

Wiley is affiliated with many other business and professional organizations. He is a director of the Coolidge Bank and Trust Co., has been a director of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce since 1980 and was vice president of the Greater Boston Association of Black Executives Inc. from 1978 - 1984. He is also a life member of the Massachusetts Black Lawyers Association.

Wiley's organizational affiliations span a wide variety of charitable causes, both social and cultural, which include being a director and general counsel of the Crispus Attucks Children's Center. He has also been a member of the Brigham and Women's Hospital, the board of trustees of the New England Aquarium and the board of overseers of the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, to name only a few of the institutions with which he has been associated.

The TJX Cos. Inc. is a major off-price specialty apparel retailer, with 393 T.J. Maxx stores, 586 Hit or Miss stores, the nation's leading women's fashion off-price mail order catalog, Chadwick's of Boston, and five Winners Apparel Ltd. stores in Canada.

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BILLERICA, MA (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Groupe Bull and INFAS will team up again to produce the estimated results for the second round of the Polish presidential elections on Sunday, Dec. 9, in Warsaw.

Results are collected from 300 different locations throughout Poland and entered into Bull computers in Warsaw.

Immediately after the polls close at 8 p.m. Polish time, the estimates are released to TV stations around the world.

The operation uses 26 Bull MICRAL 200 computers for recording data and 10 Bull MICRAL 600 computers as servers to supervise, calculate, and distribute estimates.

The first round of the elections was held on Nov. 25. Bull's estimated results and the actual estimates were nearly identical; Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki 20 percent (18 percent actual) Canadian businessman and Polish native Stanislaw Tyminski 23.3 percent (23 percent actual), front-runner Lech Walesa 39.2 percent (40 percent actual).

INFAS, the German consulting firm, claimed that Bull equipment was selected for the reliability of its hardware and the service quality of Bull personnel.

This year Bull also played an integral part in forecasting three East German elections. And in 1989, Bull equipment was used to forecast the electoral results in Romania, Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria.

Bull has been present in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union for more than 30 years. Last May, the Ministry of Finance in Poland selected Bull to computerize its tax collection system. This $30 million contract covers the supply of 367 UNIX-based Bull DPX systems, more than 5,000 terminals, and associated services.

Groupe Bull is the leading European supplier of open, distributed information systems. The Groupe Bull family is comprised of U.S.-based Bull HN Information Systems Inc. and Zenith Data Systems Corp., European-based Bull SA France, and Bull SA International. The company provides complete information systems to customers worldwide, including governments and their agencies as well as national and international corporations. Groupe Bull has a presence in 90 countries and has combined revenues of approximately $6.5 billion.

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COLLEGE PARK, GA (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantic Southeast Airlines Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ASAI) flew 34.5 million revenue passenger miles during November 1990, a 2.1 percent decrease from the same period last year, according to John W. Beiser, a senior vice president for the Atlanta-based airline.

ASA's load factor was 47.6 percent compared with 53.3 percent during November 1989. Available seat miles increased to 72.3 million from 66.1 million, for a 9.5 percent increase.

The company enplaned 160,830 passengers during November, compared with 168,174 passengers for the previous November.

On a year-to-date basis, ASA carried 1,854,227 passengers compared with 1,837,988 during 1989, a 0.9 percent increase. Revenue passenger miles totaled 394.9 million compared with 378.9 million, for a 4.2 percent increase. Available seat miles increased 8.6 percent from 723.6 million to 785.8 million.

The load factor on a year-to-date basis was 50.3 percent compared with 52.4 percent during the previous year.

Atlantic Southeast Airlines Inc. is Atlanta's largest regional air carrier, and now offers service to 15 cities from a second hub in Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas. ASA's stock is traded in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol ASAI.

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John W. Beiser, 404/996-4562

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SYRACUSE, N.Y. (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. Friday reported earnings of $152.9 million, or $1.12 per share, for the ten months ended Oct. 31.

Earnings for the same period one year ago were $105.6 million, or 78 cents per share.

For the 12 months ended Oct. 31, earnings were $152.9 million, or $1.12 per share. For the 12 months one year ago, earnings were $89 million, or 66 cents per share.

Earnings for both 1990 reporting periods were higher due to the effect of an August 1989 regulatory agreement that provides both for expense deferrals tied to the company's self-assessment program, and for recovery of replacement power costs incurred because of the Nine Mile Unit One outage.

These recoveries are subject to full or partial refundings pending the outcome of the current Public Service Commission (PSC) Unit One prudence investigation. On Nov. 8, the company reached an agreement, subject to approval by the PSC, on a temporary annual rate increase to become effective Jan. 1, 1991.

For the purpose of establishing these temporary rates, an assumption was made to include a liability to customers of approximately $136 million for Nine Mile Unit One and Unit Two replacement power costs. This assumption is subject to the results of permanent rate negotiations and the resolution of replacement power cost issues associated with Unit One.

The company is unable to predict the magnitude of any disallowance which may ultimately be imposed as part of the permanent rate negotiations.

Included in earnings for the first ten months of 1990 are $113.1 million, or 55 cents per share, of expense deferrals permitted by the agreement. Earnings for the 12 months ended Oct. 31, include $115.8 million, or 56 cents per share of deferrals.

These and future deferrals in connection with the August 1989 agreement, net of cash surcharges equivalent to available transmission and resale gross margin, are expected to be recovered from ratepayers over a three-year period beginning January 1991.

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BOCA RATON, FL (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Thirty acres of prime waterfront development property will be sold at Public Auction in Boca Raton, Fla. on Tuesday, Dec. 11, 1990.

This property is highly desirable, being one of the last waterfront development parcels in Boca Raton. The site is Tract "E" in the heart of Boca Pointe.

Waterfront frontage is approximately 2,000 feet on the Hillsboro Canal; street frontage is on S.W. 18th Street and Via De Sonrisa Del Sur. Zoning is for a Planned Unit Development and is approved for 331 units. The Auction is being conducted by the National Auction Sales Co. based in Boynton Beach, Fla.

"This Auction provides an excellent opportunity for developers to take advantage of today's economic times. The purchaser will benefit greatly because Boca Raton has always been a strong community, and with the current redevelopment of downtown, promises to remain strong," said Robert Smith, president of National Auction Sales Co.

The Auction will be held at the Marriott Crocker Center at 7 p.m. on Dec. 11. To bid at the Auction a $100,000 cashier's check is required. For further information on this particular auction, or on the numerous additional auctions

scheduled for this year, please contact National Auction Sales Co. at 1-800-848-5165.

National Auction Sales Co. specializes in all forms of Auctions, including Real Estate, Personal Property, Business Liquidations, and Bankruptcies. The company's executives Robert Smith and George Richards, were formerly with Auction Company of America of Miami.

Clients have chosen National Auction Sales Co. because of their combined 25 years of professional experience in the Auction industry and their commitment to service.

CONTACT: National Auction Sales Co., Boynton Beach, Fla., Robert Smith and George Richards, 1-800-848-5165.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Proler International Corp. (NYSE:PS) Friday declared a cash dividend in the amount of 13 cents per share payable on Jan. 7, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 21, 1990.

Proler International Corp. is an environmental company primarily involved with recovering, recycling and processing ferrous and non-ferrous metals for shipment to domestic and foreign users. Through eighteen processing plants operated either directly or through joint ventures, Proler is a leading provider of high quality raw materials to industrial users.

The company's non-ferrous operations produce reusable premium quality non-ferrous scrap, including copper, brass, aluminum, stainless steel and nickel alloy.

Premium grade steel scrap from its state of the art detinning operations is sold to the steel and foundry industries and tin is sold for use in many different industrial applications. Proler also distributes new prime and used line pipe and off-spec pipe for a wide range of industrial and commercial uses.

The common stock of Proler is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol PS.

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David W. Sonnier, 713/675-2281

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QUINCY, MASS. (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - (OTC:XCEL) Charles R. Simpson Jr.,

president and chief executive officer of Excel Bancorp Inc., announced the termination of the company's fourth stock repurchase program.

This repurchase program, initially announced in January 1990, authorized the repurchase of up to 500,000 shares of the company's common stock from time to time in the open market. A total of 194,000 shares were actually repurchased.

Simpson stated ''The continued deterioration in the Massachusetts real estate markets has impaired the company's results of operations, and in light of discussions with our regulatory agencies, the board of directors believes it is prudent to preserve the company's capital.'' Excel's ratio of capital to assets at Sept. 30, 1990, was 11.71 percent.

This ratio exceeds the regulatory minimum primary capital of 5.5 percent of total assets and minimum total capital equal to 6 percent of total assets. At Sept. 30, 1990, Excel's subsidiaries, Quincy Savings Bank and Lincoln Trust Co., had risk-based capital ratios of 17.42 percent and 11.39 percent, respectively. Both of these ratios are in excess of the minimum regulatory standard of 7.25 percent commencing Dec. 31, 1990, and 8 percent commencing Dec. 31, 1992.

To date, the company has repurchased in four separate buy-back programs to 1,694,000 shares or 23.8 percent of the original 7,108,414 shares issued in September 1986.

Excel Bancorp Inc. is the holding company for Quincy Savings Bank, a state-chartered stock savings bank, headquartered in Quincy, and Lincoln Trust Co., a state-chartered commercial bank, headquartered in Hingham, Mass. The subsidiaries conduct business through 17 offices located on the South Shore of Massachusetts.

Quincy Savings Bank and Lincoln Trust Co. are members of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC). Quincy is also a member of the Deposit Insurance Fund of Massachusetts (DIFM).

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John A. Fanciullo, 617/471-3500

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DAYTON, OH (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - In a December 5 letter to AT&T Chairman Robert E. Allen, NCR Chairman Chuck Exley said, "NCR is prepared to commence negotiations if AT&T offers to pay not less than $125 per NCR share." Exley has responded to questions regarding that statement.

Q. Does the fact that the Board set $125 per share as the "full and fair value" for NCR shares mean that NCR is for sale?

A. No. In the name of rationality and in recognition of its fiduciary responsibility to NCR shareholders, the Board felt obligated to set a "full value" price for shares. It would be preposterous for us to say there is no price we would accept.

The fact that the Board set a price does not mean that we want to sell the company - the company is not for sale. We want AT&T to go away and leave us alone so that we can get on with our new product programs, which represent a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to revolutionize the computer industry. If we are to realize NCR's extraordinary potential, we must be free to dedicate all our energies and resources to the task at hand.

Q. Some analysts are saying that this is part of the negotiation process.

A. This is not a negotiating tactic. The "full and fair value" has been set by the Board at $125 per share - not $124.50 or anything less.

At the same time the Board has said that if AT&T cannot offer NCR shareholders this fair value, NCR will use every means at its disposal to protect NCR shareholders and other stakeholders against this hostile takeover attempt.

Q. AT&T has called NCR's full value price "outrageous."

A. In my letter of December 5, I told Mr. Allen that we will provide AT&T with non-public information concerning NCR to support that price if, and only if, AT&T enters into a customary confidentiality and standstill agreement providing appropriate assurance that if AT&T refuses to go forward at that price level, it would immediately terminate its effort to acquire NCR.

If AT&T finds $125 per share outrageous, that's fine with us. We want them to go away and leave us alone.

CONTACT: NCR Corp., Dayton, Lola Signom, Connie Olasz, Robert Farkas (513) 445-2257; (513) 445-1139; (513) 445-2078 or Mark Feighery, Jim Cortese, Kelly Kramer (513) 445-2033; (513) 445-2009; (513) 445-2058.

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LEE, MA (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Capfilm Inc., an over-the-counter traded company, announced Friday that its Dec. 14 annual meeting of shareholders has been adjourned to Jan. 18, 1991, 11 a.m., Greylock Street, Lee, Mass.

The company has established Nov. 19 as the record date for shareholders to be entitled to vote at the above mentioned meeting. The company is in the process of responding to comments to its proxy statement from the Securities and Exchange Commission and will forward formal notices to shareholders of record.

Capfilm is engaged in marketing and production of polycarbonate dielectric film utilized as insulating materials in high performance precision electronic capacitors. Precision film capacitors are utilized in equipment manufactured for the medical, telecommunication, military and aircraft instrumentation industries as a result of such capacitators low loss electrical properties, lightweight, small size and high temperature capabilities.

Presently the company believes that Bayer A.G., a Western German company, is the only producer of polycarbonate dielectric film other than the company.

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Anthony Collura, 212/697-3802

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WEST CALDWELL, NJ (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - First State Financial Services Inc. (NASDAQ: FSFI) announced a 5 cent regular quarterly dividend payable on Dec. 31, 1990 to stockholders of record on Dec. 17, 1990.

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PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - American Integrity Corp. (NASDAQ:AIIC) reported Friday that it has adopted a plan designed to improve operations in 1991.

The plan contemplates some reduction in its insurance writings and enhanced controls on underwriting and persistency. These measures coupled with the previously announced reduction under state and federal law of first year Medicare supplement commissions are intended to improve results.

American Integrity Corp. also reported it is pursuing alternative discussions which may lead to equity and/or debt financing to enhance its capital base. Any agreement emanating from the discussions would be subject to approval of the board of directors and regulatory authority.

CONTACT: American Integrity Corp., Philadelphia
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BURLINGTON, VERMONT (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - John A. Cobb, chief executive officer of Eastern Bancorp (NASDAQ:VFBK) Friday announced earnings for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $1.7 million, or 70 cents per share, as compared to last year's results of $655,000, or 25 cents per share.

Cobb stated, ''We are pleased, especially in the economic environment that New England financial institutions are in today, to be able to achieve these results.''

The company provided $3.7 million in loan loss provisions during fiscal 1990, of which $2.9 million were provided during the company's fourth quarter. The company had announced on Oct. 3, 1990 that it expected to provide $1.7 million in loan loss reserves in the fourth quarter.

Cobb stated, ''Since then we have concluded that, in light of the company's level of non-performing assets, and the continuing deterioration of the New England economy and its effects in the state of Vermont and New Hampshire, it would be prudent to provide another $1.2 million in loan loss reserves.'' During fiscal 1989 and the fiscal 1989 fourth quarter, the company provided $2.1 million and $131,000 in loan loss reserves, respectively.

The company had $12.9 million, or 2.05 percent of assets, in total non-performing assets at Sept. 30, 1990, of which $7.2 million were non-performing loans. This is compared to $11.4 million, or 1.85 percent of assets, in total non-performing assets at Sept. 30, 1989. The company's loan loss reserves now represent 37.1 percent of its non-performing assets and 66.6 percent of its non-performing loans.

As a result of the additional fourth quarter loan loss provision, the company incurred a fourth quarter loss of $803,000, or 34 cents per share. This compares to net income of $572,000, or 22 cents per share, for 1989's fiscal fourth quarter. Net interest income was $5.3 million as compared to $4.2 million for the fiscal 1990 and 1989 fourth quarters, respectively.

Non-interest income during the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter was $2.3 million as compared to $957,000 for fiscal 1989's fourth quarter. As announced on Oct. 3 1990, Vermont Federal Bank realized a $1.3 million pre-tax gain from the sale of mortgage-backed securities during the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter.

The company's two financial institution subsidiaries, Vermont Federal Bank and First Savings of New Hampshire, have both substantially completed their Office of Thrift Supervision (''OTS'') and Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (''FDIC'') examinations. Cobb stated, ''We are extremely pleased to have essentially completed these examinations and are satisfied with their outcome.''

Net interest income was $20.2 million, or 3.51 percent of average earning assets, for fiscal 1990 as compared to $15.2 million, or 3.23 percent of

average earning assets, for fiscal 1989. During fiscal 1990 total non interest income was $6.0 million compared to $2.7 million in fiscal 1989. Total non interest expense during fiscal 1990 was $18.8 million as compared to $14.0 million in fiscal 1989.

Eastern's New Hampshire subsidiary, Rockingham Bancorp, the parent company of First Savings, was acquired on Aug. 31, 1989. Therefore, the results of operations for fiscal 1989 include only one month of Rockingham's earnings.

Total assets for the company at Sept. 30, 1990 were $628.8 million, an increase of $15.3 million over Sept. 30, 1989. The shareholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990 was $52.3 million, or $22.01 per share. During fiscal 1990, the company paid 51 cents in dividends to shareholders, or 73.9 percent of earnings. As of Sept. 30, 1990, First Savings and Vermont Federal exceed the current regulatory capital requirements as required by the OTS.

Eastern Bancorp will hold its annual meeting on Jan. 30, 1991 at 10:30 a.m. at the Radisson Hotel, Battery Street, Burlington, Vt.

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NATICK, MA (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Prime Computer Friday issued the following statement concerning its lawsuit with Virtual Maintenance Inc.

On Dec. 3, 1990 the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit vacated an emergency stay of an injunction issued on Nov. 15, 1990 by the United States District Court in Detroit in connection with a lawsuit under the federal antitrust laws. While the Sixth Circuit also denied Prime's motion for a stay of the injunction pending appeal, it ordered that Prime's appeal of the injunction issued by the District Court be placed on an expedited briefing schedule.

Prime anticipates a hearing before The Sixth Circuit in January 1991.

The injunction arose out of a lawsuit commenced in 1989 by Virtual Maintenance Inc. (''VMI'') which alleged that certain of Prime's maintenance policies as applied to certain of its 50 Series minicomputer customers violated federal antitrust laws.

The District Court's injunction affects Prime's maintenance policies for a limited number of 50 Series minicomputer customers using Product Design Graphics System (PDGS), a software product developed by Ford Motor Co. that Prime has been licensed to market and support. The affected customers, who are Ford suppliers, provide design services to Ford Motor Co. and use the most

current revisions of PDGS that are compatible with Ford's internal systems.

The injunction prohibits Prime from using or enforcing with those customers contractual language in its software service contracts that requires the purchase of hardware maintenance from Prime. The District Court's injunction would affect Prime's contracts with those customers with respect to providing them the most current revision of PDGS.

Prime continues to believe that all of its policies and practices are legal and not in violation of antitrust laws, and it intends to vigorously defend those policies.

Prime intends to post security in the amount of $25 million in a form acceptable to the District Court by Tuesday, Dec. 11, 1990 to stay execution of the judgment for damages pending Prime's appeal to the Sixth Circuit.

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OTTAWA (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Jan Bartl, senior vice president of technology and products for Gandalf Technologies Inc. (TSE:GAN)(NASDAQ:GANDF) Friday was elected at the company's annual meeting to its board of directors.

Bartl, 46, has been with Gandalf for the last 18 years and was appointed to his present position in August this year. He joined the company in 1972 as an electronic technologist and after several promotions was appointed vice president of product development in 1986.

In 1989, he became vice president of the company's Enterprise Networks Group.

He is based at the company's headquarters in Nepean, near Ottawa.

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MIAMI (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - AmeriFirst Bank (NASDAQ:AMRI) said that losses in the fiscal fourth quarter ended Sept. 30 will eliminate shareholders' equity.

The losses are primarily attributable to additional reserves required on foreclosed and development real estate and on loans secured by commercial real

estate properties. Final results for the quarter and fiscal year will be released at a later date, following completion of the year-end audit.

As previously announced, AmeriFirst has made an application to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) and other federal agencies for ''Open Bank Assistance.'' This assistance, to strengthen the company's financial position is dependent upon a critical evaluation of the company's assets and the ability to attract investment capital from the private sector.

Both the FDIC and private investors require that the company's assets be priced on a private market value basis, including valuation adjustments for yield, risk and other factors. Valuation of the company's assets are now being determined. Regulators are presently reviewing the application.

A combination of federal financial assistance and private investor capital would enable AmeriFirst to meet capital requirements under the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act.

AmeriFirst offers a wide range of financial products and services through a network of 54 banking centers in southeast Florida and on Florida's west coast. Deposits up to $100,000 are federally insured and backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - The price at which Adams Express common stock will be issued in payment of the year-end income dividend and capital gain distribution (the stockholders may elect to receive cash or stock), payable Dec. 27, 1990 is $14.8125 per share.

The issue price is the mean between the high and low sales prices of the stock on the New York Stock Exchange on Dec. 7, 1990. This was less than the net asset value of $16.77 per share on that date.

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RICHMOND, BRITISH COLUMBIA (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - MTC Electronic Technologies Co. Ltd. (NASDAQ:MTCEF) today announced that it has completed a private placement with various European institutions, Overtrad Ltd., Banco Del

Gottardo, Algemene Bank Nederland, and Roev Finance Limited S.A., for a total of 320,000 units of the company at $2.125 (U.S.) per unit, for a total of $680,000 (U.S.).

Each unit consists of two common shares of the company and one share purchase warrant entitling the holder to purchase an additional share for a period of two years, at a price of $1.0625 (U.S.) per share during the first year, and at a 15 percent premium during the second year, being $1.22 (U.S.) per share during the second year.

The company has also completed 75,000 units at $2.40 (Cdn.) per unit.

The company also announced that it has placed a private placement with another European institution, Banco Del Gottardo for a total of 20,000 units of the company at $2.40 (Cdn.) per unit.

Each unit consists of two common shares of the company and one share purchase warrant entitling the holder to purchase an additional share for a period of two years, at a price of $1.20 (Cdn.) per share during the first year, and at a 15 percent premium during the second year, being $1.38 (Cdn.) per share during the second year.

As part of the announcement, the company noted that it has placed a private placement with another European institution, Tervuren S.A. for a total of 50,000 units of the company at $2 (Cdn.) per unit, for a total of $100,000 (Cdn.).

Each unit consists of two common shares of the company and one share purchase warrant entitling the holder to purchase an additional share for a period of two years, at a price of $1 (Cdn.) per share during the first year, and at a 15 percent premium during the second year, being $1.15 (Cdn.) per share during the second year.

A finder's fee of 8 percent of the total proceeds will be paid to Triglova Finanz A.G. in respect to these private placements.

MTC recently announced that it has entered into an exclusive joint venture agreement with the Peoples' Republic of China, through its government agencies to provide a turn-key cellular telephone system in one of the fastest growing urban areas in China.

MTC Electronic Technologies Co. Ltd., founded in 1972, manufactures, distributes, and imports over 160 products from the Far-East, including televisions, VCRs, and telephones from three factories in mainland China. The company is also the sole importer of FAX machines into mainland China, through a multi-year agreement with the government-controlled Yin Jiang Telephone Co.

Year-to-date, the company has imported components for 15,000 FAX machines

which MTC then assembled and sold in China. MTC trades on NASDAQ under the symbol MTCEF, and on the Vancouver Stock Exchange under the symbol MT.

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Go-Video Inc. (AMEX:VCR) Friday announced sales of $6,908,313 with a net loss of $294,433 or 4 cents per share for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

This compares to no sales with a loss of $593,442, or 9 cents per share, for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989. The average number of shares outstanding was 8,373,000 in the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, compared to 6,833,944 in the prior first quarter.

Operating results for the first fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, reflect the first significant operations and sales of the revolutionary VCR-2 sales necessary to create inventories of the VCR-2 within distribution channels.

This beneficial inmpact is not expected to re-occur in the second quarter, which will also experience an increase in expenditures for research and new product development and prosecution of the company's antitrust claims.

As a consequence, the company may continue to incur operating losses as it moves from a development company to an operating company. The company has revised its second quarter estimates and now projects a loss that may be in excess of that incurred in the first quarter.

The company is taking steps to assure adequate financing for its business plan. ''Go-Video, has arranged with U.S. World Trade Corporation, a U.S. Bancorp company of Portland, Ore., for a multi-million dollar trade finance facility for the importation and sale of its VCR-2,'' noted R. Terren Dunlap, CEO.

''This will allow Go-Video to move forward with our market penetration. We are excited to be going to the Las Vegas January Consumer Electronics Show with product available to satisfy new orders,'' Dunlap commented.

Go-Video introduced its dual-deck videocassette recorder, the VCR-2, to

consumers this past summer. One of Popular Science Magazine's 100 best new products of the year, the VCR-2 can play one tape while recording another, duplicate tapes with outstanding quality, edit from tape to tape, and record two different TV programs simultaneously. Other features include the exclusive HQ copy circuitry, a 155-channel cable-ready tuner, multi-channel TV sound, an advanced remote control and on-screen programming.

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by
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Richard Cooper, 212/826-9622

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GREEN BAY, WI (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Fort Howard Corp. announced today that it has entered into a subscription agreement with two of its principal stockholders not affiliated with Morgan Stanley Group Inc., under which these stockholders have agreed to purchase $132 million of additional shares of the company's common stock for $120 per share.

Pursuant to commitment letters delivered to the company on Nov. 14, the two stockholders have committed to purchase an additional $18 million of the company's common stock. In addition, as previously announced, the company said it intends to offer for sale up to $100 million of additional common stock to its other existing equity investors.

The subscription agreement with the two stockholders provides that the sale of shares will take place at such closing or closings prior to Dec. 31, 1991, as the company may designate from time to time. The company has the right to terminate its agreement to sell shares pursuant to such subscription agreement at any time.

The company also said it anticipates making decisions from time to time with respect to the extent to which it will sell shares pursuant to such subscription agreement as well as any other subscription agreements entered into with other existing equity investors and the use to which the proceeds of any such sales would be put.

As previously announced, the company said it intends, from time to time, to utilize sales proceeds to repurchase, subject to the terms of the company's bank credit agreement and other indebtedness, and depending upon market conditions and prevailing prices, its subordinated debt securities in the open market at prices determined at the time of purchase, for additional domestic or foreign capital expenditures, for retirement of senior debt or for other general corporate purposes.

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Sheree L. Olson, 414/435-8821, ext. 2301

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (DEC. 7) BUSINESS WIRE - Matthew L. Gold, chairman and chief executive officer of Precision Standard Inc. (NASDAQ:PCSN) announced Friday that its Pemco Aeroplex subsidiary has been awarded a contract by Societe Financiere Aeropostale, a unit of the French Postal Service, which provides for the passenger to ''Quick Change'' conversion of a B-737-300 aircraft and an option for up to four additional aircraft conversions.

The contract includes various additional interior modification work. Financial details of the contract were not disclosed.

The aircraft will be delivered directly to Pemco Aeroplex from the Boeing Co. and, after conversion, will be operated by the French Postal Service. Gold indicated that Pemco Aeroplex has completed over 150 passenger/cargo/quick change conversions on other transport aircraft.

Gold had announced previously that the contract backlog for the Precision Standard group of companies had increased to over $170 million, the highest level ever.

Precision Standard, with facilities in Alabama, California, Colorado and Florida and offices in Denver, Boston and London, performs maintenance and modification of aircraft for the U.S. government and foreign and domestic commercial customers.

The company also manufactures aircraft cargo systems, aerial targets for military customers, precision springs and components and rocket vehicles and control systems.

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Walter M. Moede, 205/591-3009

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Electronic Systems Technology Inc.(TICKER: ELST).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$131,984	$328,720
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(22,339)	$107,890
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$0.02

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$567,093	$526,204
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$496,324	$428,505

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#90341c0003 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Wyoming Oil and Minerals Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$50,596	$54,471
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$31	$139
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$206	$4,791
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	16,750,000	16,750,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$833,160	$833,393
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$503,679	$503,125

-30- 1086

#90341c0004 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by A. Schulman Inc.(TICKER: SHLM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$681,053,000	$626,085,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$36,096,000	$30,812,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.79	$1.53

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$328,210,000	$257,687,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$223,973,000	$166,640,000

-30- 1006

#90341c0006 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 21, 1990, Pinnacle Banc Group Inc.(TICKER: PINN) signed a definitive agreement with Financial Services Corp. of the Midwest to acquire The Henry Co. Bank of Green Rock, Illinois, for $3.35 million in cash.

-30- 449

#90341c0007 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Hauser Chemical Research Inc.(TICKER: HAUS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,592,424	$609,307
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$57,648	$(18,646)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$4,268,862	$3,404,441
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,248,523	$1,036,838

-30- 1034

#90341c0008 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 21, 1990, American Educational Computer Inc. (AEC), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Unico Inc.(TICKER: UICO), executed a letter of intent with Plasmedics Inc., pursuant to which AEC proposes to sell a substantial portion of its computer software and video publishing assets to Plasmedics.

The transaction would include AEC's Concord Video division, states Unico.

Assets involved in the sale also include AEC trade names, trademarks, retail product sales rights, non-exclusive school and library sales rights, accounts receivable, inventory and most furniture and equipment.

Under the proposal, Plasmedics would pay AEC a total of $1.10 million, consisting of $300,000 in cash at closing, and $800,000 in notes receivable.

-30- 969

#90341c0009 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by New York Film Works Inc.(TICKER: NYFW).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,152,268	$1,208,035
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(220,654)	$(158,107)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	82,833,333	81,500,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Jan. 31, 1990	Oct. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,978,037	$2,048,737
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$767,939	$938,592

-30- 1071
#90341c0010 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Viral Response Systems Inc.(TICKER: VRSI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$27,559	$102,707
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(74,130)	$(12,958)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,211,571	4,231,571

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,004,302	$2,317,235
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,995,850	$2,266,842

-30- 1076
#90341c0011 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Telecommunications Corp.(TICKER: AMTT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,568,898	$3,444,059
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(76,842)	$(35,196)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,366,298	2,366,298

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$5,447,072	$5,590,675
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$553,829	$686,090

-30- 1102

#90341c0012 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Transtech Industries Inc.(TICKER: TRTI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$758,309	$1,914,523
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,805,703)	$92,061
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.35)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,826,495	2,854,758

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$37,620,787	$37,503,290
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,341,032	$14,569,954

-30- 1088

#90341c0014 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by An-Con Genetics Inc.(TICKER: ANCN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$95,900	$80,100
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(21,900)	$(152,300)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,062,799	$7,960,135

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$763,000	$808,800
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$400,600	$378,000

-30- 1068

#90341c0015 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bristol Holdings Inc.(TICKER: BRST).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$32,550	$1,589,222
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(136,346)	$905,710
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.26

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,064,664	$4,464,955
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,493,389	$3,744,035

-30- 1009

#90341c0016 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pop Radio Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,436,565	$5,003,422
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(54,229)	$300,086

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,010,647	4,008,736

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,550,336	$15,118,744
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,711,092	$9,661,615

-30- 1057

#90341c0017 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Fairfield County Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: FCBK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,280,810)	$58,958
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.60)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,142,579	$2,273,097

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$173,435,293	$183,331,484
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,840,115	$20,759,166

-30- 889

#90341c0018 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ciro Inc.(TICKER: CIRI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,329,000	$7,357,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(200,000)	$(311,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,123,899	4,123,899

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$29,112,000	$30,517,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,683,000	$7,029,000

-30- 1056

#90341c0019 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ocean Bio-Chem Inc.(TICKER: OBCI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$890,393	$978,440
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(121,732)	$(21,916)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,313,642	$3,704,791
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,498,355	$1,475,682

-30- 998

#90341c0020 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Strategic Abstract & Title Corp.(TICKER: SDBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$5,999	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(44,695)	$(14,285)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,200,000	10,000,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,625,739	$2,282,269
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,348,530	$2,003,286

The company, a development stage enterprise, states it was incorporated in Delaware under the name "Coquina Search Corp." On March 28, 1989, it merged with Strategic Abstract & Title Corp. It has generated virtually no operating revenues. The company offers complete title and abstract services, as well as related data base information services, and is licensed to sell title insurance. Its corporate offices are located at 1912 Avenue K, Suite 100, Plano, Texas 75074, and its telephone number is (214) 516-0662.

-30- 1623

#90341c0022 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 14 1990, Harve A. Ferill, a director, was elected president of Advance Ross Corp.(TICKER: AROS).

-30- 308

#90341c0023 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Detrex Corp.(TICKER: DTRX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$22,725,160	$25,984,180
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$189,506	$(1,675,347)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	$(1.06)

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,580,414	1,580,414

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$62,380,538	$64,402,303
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$39,851,325	$39,779,348

-30- 1055
#90341c0024 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 19 1990, Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd.(TICKER: TEVIVY), told the New York Society of Security Analysts that significant growth will result from its expansion into both western and eastern Europe.

The introduction of two new drugs aimed at U.S. markets also will affect its growth, the company stated.

Currently, COP-1, an orphan drug to treat multiple schlerosis, and OSTEO-D, an orphan drug to treat renal osteodystrophy, are in advanced Food and Drug Administration clinical trials, with availability possible in 1994 and 1993, respectively.

Teva reported that net income rose nine percent for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, to US $3.9 million on an eight percent increase in sales to US $69.6 million.

-30- 978
#90341c0026 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT. 3, 1990 TO OCT. 12, 1990, E.P. WEAVER, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN COLLOID CO. (TICKER: ACOL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 845,055.

-30- 348
#90341c0027 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT. 3, 1990 TO OCT. 12, 1990, W.D. WEAVER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN COLLOID CO. (TICKER: ACOL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,296,622.

-30- 366
#90341c0028 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 16, 1990, D.D. STOVALL, PRES. OF HABERSHAM BANCORP BOUGHT 416 SHARES AT $57.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,572.

-30- 295
#90341c0029 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 5, 1990 TO NOV. 28, 1990, HELM RESOURCES INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERPAK HOLDING INC. BOUGHT 113,544 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,433,285.

-30- 346
#90341c0031 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 15, 1990, W.E. SNYDER JR, DIR. OF METRO FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 297
#90341c0032 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, J. MALEC, CHAIRMAN OF VIDEOCART CORP.(TICKER: VCRT) BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 819,454.

-30- 306
#90341c0033 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 1, 1990, J.K. MURPHY, DIR. OF PINKERTON'S INC. (TICKER: PKTN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 297
#90341c0034 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 2, 1990, T.W. WATHEN, CHAIRMAN OF PINKERTON'S INC. (TICKER: PKTN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,234,623.

-30- 318
#90341c0035 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 2, 1990, W.T.W. TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF PINKERTON'S INC. (TICKER: PKTN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,234,623.

-30- 324
#90341c0036 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 12, 1990 TO NOV. 13, 1990, R.H. BRADY, DIR. OF FIRST SECURITY CORP.(UT) (TICKER: FSCO) BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 334
#90341c0037 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 28, 1990, Mr. Workman converted, without payment of any additional consideration, all of the 15,000 shares of preferred stock beneficially owned by him into 60,000 shares of company common stock, and ceased to be the beneficial owner of any shares of preferred stock on the conversion date.

PURPOSE:

Conversion of preferred stock.

-30- 555
#90341c0039 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT: On Nov. 28, 1990, Mr. and Mrs. Newman converted, without payment of any additional consideration, all of the 12,500 shares of preferred stock beneficially owned by them into 50,000 shares of company common stock, and ceased to be the beneficial owners of any shares of preferred stock on the

conversion date.

PURPOSE:

Conversion of preferred stock.

-30- 567
#90341c0040 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY KARISSIM CORP. OWNS 540,000 SHARES (9.80%) OF RESEARCH INDUSTRIES CORP.(TICKER: REIC) OF SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 15, 1990 through Dec. 4, 1990, Karissim Corp., et al. sold 52,000 shares at a price of $10 to $11 per share.

-30- 478
#90341c0041 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A.S. FEHER JR OWNS 2,333,330 SHARES (13.70%) OF MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MSCX).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 357
#90341c0042 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

O.A. BELLO OWNS 1,000,000 SHARES (5.90%) OF MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MSCX).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 349
#90341c0043 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

AGIA INC. OWNS 170,075 SHARES (4.30%) OF DESOTO INC.(TICKER: DSO) OF DES PLAINES, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Agia believes that the beneficially-owned shares represent less that five percent of the issued and outstanding shares of Desoto Inc. common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 19, 1990, Agia Inc. sold 66,000 shares of common stock for an undisclosed price per share.

-30- 573
#90341c0044 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 329,100 SHARES (49.47%) OF THE LVI GROUP INC.(TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Gamco Investors Inc., GAMCO Inc., Gabelli & Co., and GPP own 353,600 shares, representing 53.16 percent of shares outstanding.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 28 through Dec. 4, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. sold 11,000 shares of preferred stock at a price of $.28 to $.63 per share.

-30- 637
#90341c0045 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 20

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 363,900 SHARES (18.15%) OF HOPPER SOLIDAY INC.(TICKER: HS) OF PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 12 through Dec. 4, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc., et al. purchased 52,800 shares at a purchase price of $1 to $1.49 per share, and sold 20,000 shares at a price of $1 to $1.25 per share.

-30- 586
#90341c0047 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

BAKER HUGHES INC. OF ORANGE, CALIFORNIA OWNS 6,346,041 SHARES (21.70%) OF VARCO INTERNATIONAL INC.(TICKER: VRC) OF ORANGE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Under an asset purchase agreement between Varco International Inc. and Baker Hughes Inc. dated Aug. 1, 1990 Varco International Inc., as partial consideration for certain assets of Baker Hughes Inc., issued Baker Hughes Inc. 2,346,041 common shares. Baker Hughes Inc. also exercised a warrant on Dec. 5, 1990 to purchase an additional 1 million shares at $4 per share.

PURPOSE:

Asset purchase agreement.

-30- 771
#90341c0048 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A.W. WILLIAMS OWNS 350,700 SHARES (6.80%) OF FLORAFAX INTL INC. (TICKER: FIIF) OF TULSA, OKLAHOMA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

During Nov. 1990 A.W. Williams acquired 60,700 shares in the open market at unreported prices, 80,000 shares owned by CIS Ltd. were transferred to A.W. Williams and his wife and 96,400 shares owned by A.W. Williams were transferred to A.W. Williams's IRA account.

PURPOSE:

To invest an amount substantially equal to the amount of director's fees which A.W. Williams has received from the Florafax International Inc. in the past in Florafax International Inc. common shares.

-30- 810
#90341c0049 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

DOMAINES BARONS DE ROTHSCHILD LAFITE OWNS 675,000 SHARES (17.00%) OF CHALONE INC.(TICKER: CHLN) OF SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 30, 1990 Domaines Barons De Rothschild Lafite purchased 236,000 shares at $8.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 497
#90341c0050 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY SHELTER HOLDINGS INC. OWNS 3,174,847 SHARES (33.30%) OF US SHELTER CORP. OF GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 29, 1990 Lambert Brussels, Shelter Holdings, the partnership, the general partner, MAG, and Farkas executed a letter agreement under which the parties amended each of the commitment letter and the standstill agreement as provided in the Lambert amendment letter. On Nov. 30, 1990 Shelter Holding, US Shelter Corp. and the subsidiary parties entered into amendment no. 2 to the asset purchase option agreement dated July 23, 1990.

-30- 791
#90341c0051 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

SQUARE LAKE HOLDING CORP. OWNS 56,943 SHARES (9.80%) OF BETHEL BANCORP. (TICKER: BTHL) OF BETHEL, MAINE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 30, 1990 Square Lake Holding Corp. purchased 11,489 shares for a purchase price of $153,272.

-30- 435
#90341c0052 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY ADIA SA LAUSANNE, 9, SWITZERLAND OWNS 9,252,700 SHARES (74.21%) OF ADIA SERVICES INC.(TICKER: ADIA) OF MENLO PARK, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 14 and Dec. 5, 1990 Adia SA, et al. purchased 80,500 shares at $15.50 to $20.94 each.

-30- 468
#90341c0053 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY WG PARTNERS LP OWNS 3,763,303 SHARES (50.96%) OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT) OF WABASH, INDIANA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 27, 1990 WG Partners LP, et al. purchased 230,000 shares and warrants to purchase the FS 1987 warrant shares pursuant to the 1987 warrant.

-30- 493
#90341c0056 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Subsidiary Corp., et al. have offered to purchase all of the shares of NCR Corp.(TICKER: NCR) including the associated preferred stock purchase rights at $90 per share subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the offer to purchase dated Dec. 6, 1990. The offer is set to expire on Jan. 4, 1991.

-30- 532
#90341c0057 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 711,661 SHARES (46.56%) OF HUDSON GENERAL CORP.(TICKER: HGC) OF GREATNECK, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result in change of dispositive power and beneficial ownership of Gamco Investors Inc., 100 convertible bonds were disposed.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 9 through Dec. 4, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc., et al. purchased 36,400 shares at a price of $12 to $19.84 per share; purchased 20 convertible bonds of Hudson General Corp. at a price of $57 to $59.50 per bond, sold 80 convertible bonds at a price of $58.50 to $59.63 per bond.

-30- 831
#90341c0058 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

GROUP LED BY P. FROST OWNS 5,547,280 SHARES (31.30%) OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX) OF MIAMI, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 85,470 shares that may be acquired upon the conversion of $1,000,000 in principal amount of nine percent subordinated convertible debentures due in 1995.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 1 through Nov. 16, 1990, P. Frost, et al. purchased 29,400 shares at

a price of $9.38 to $9.88 per share.

-30- 655
#90341c0059 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

S.H. RHODES OWNS 25,500 SHARES (9.91%) OF INTERFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: INFB) OF ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As partial security for loan used to acquire the shares, 25,100 shares are pledged to Washtenaw Mortgage Co.; the loan documents contain standard default provisions.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 9, 1990, S.H. Rhodes acquired 25,500 shares common stock at a price of $8 per share pursuant to completion of Interfirst Bancorp Inc. conversion from mutual to stock form and initial public offering.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 765
#90341c0060 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY G.A. ROSENBERG OWNS 2,765,584 SHARES (32.56%) OF UNIVERSAL DEVELOPMENT CORP.(TICKER: UDC) OF TEMPE, ARIZONA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 1, 1990 through Nov. 30, 1990, G.A. Rosenberg, et al. purchased 79,400 shares on the open market at an undisclosed price per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 538
#90341c0061 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY SANDERS MORRIS MUNDY INC. OWNS 289,150 SHARES (9.80%) OF AMERICAN ECOLOGY CORP.(TICKER: ECOL) OF AGOURA HILLS, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 6, 1990, pursuant to a court order, Don Sanders transferred 36,673 shares (of which he has no beneficial ownership) of American Ecology Corp. common stock to Kathy Sanders in connection with divorce proceedings.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From July 23, 1990 through Nov. 27, 1990, Sanders Morris Mundy Inc., et al. purchased 257,092 shares at a price of $7.50 to $10.25 per share; sold 91,650 shares at a price of $7.69 to $10.38 per share and transferred 36,673 shares.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 889
#90341c0062 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Dec. 5, 1990 and in response to inquiries regarding the results of the Sutherland/Rosenstein offer, the Company announced that as of Nov. 20, 1990, the previously scheduled expiration date of the offer, owners of 65 percent of the outstanding shares have rejected the Sutherland/ Rosenstein offer. Justin's (TICKER: JSTN) board recommends unanimously and strongly that all Justin shareholders reject the Sutherland/Rosenstein offer because the board believes that now is not the time to consider a sale of Justin. On Dec. 3, 1990, Justin entered into a loan agreement with NCNB Texas National Bank, Team Bank, Citibank N.A., and Texas Commerce Bank--Ft. Worth N.A.

-30- 920
#90341c0064 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

This errata amendment is being filed because TBK Partners LP, et al. previously and inadvertently checked the incorrect box on the cover page indicating that they had filed a statement on schedule 13G. TBK Partners LP, et al. should have checked the second box, indicating that a fee was being paid with the filing of the previous statement.

-30- 561
#90341c0065 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.86 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 166,389.

-30- 334
#90341c0066 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, J MACK ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: AAME), BOUGHT 2,433 SHARES AT $1.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,611,763.

-30- 355
#90341c0067 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, JUDITH A HEYBOER, OFFICER OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN), SOLD 4,744 SHARES FROM $24.25 TO $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,664.

-30- 338
#90341c0068 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, SAMUEL H MASLAK, PRES. OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN), SOLD 150,000 SHARES FROM $23.06 TO $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,868,707.

-30- 338
#90341c0069 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, L THOMAS MORSE, OFFICER OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,598.

-30- 304
#90341c0070 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, KENNETH E BLACKMAN, PRES. OF APPLIED DNA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ADNA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,000.

-30- 335
#90341c0072 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, MORRIS D JAFFE JR, SHAREHOLDER OF APACHE CORP. (TICKER: APA), SOLD 25,938 SHARES AT $16.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90341c0073 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, WILLIAMS CO, BEN. OWNER OF APCO ARGENTINA INC. (TICKER: APAG), BOUGHT 1,519,560 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,390,149.

-30- 329
#90341c0074 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, FRED O ROE JR, VP OF ARKLA EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: ARK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 311
#90341c0075 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, RAWLEY F TAPLETT, CHAIRMAN OF AIR SENSORS INC. (TICKER: ARSN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,006,751.

-30- 324
#90341c0076 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, EDWARD N PATRONE, VP OF ALCO STANDARD CORP. (TICKER: ASN), SOLD 750 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,057.

-30- 306
#90341c0077 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 09, 1990, PETER B BEDFORD, BEN. OWNER OF AMREP CORP. (TICKER: AXR), BOUGHT 90,500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,196,320.

-30- 334
#90341c0078 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, MYLES M KRANZLER, PRES. OF BASE TEN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: BASE), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,804.

-30- 327
#90341c0080 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, MICHAEL P HAWKS, OFFICER OF BMC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BMC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 307
#90341c0081 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, KENNETH W LEWIS, OFFICER OF BMC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BMC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,375.

-30- 310
#90341c0082 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, GARY A ZAMBON, OFFICER OF BUFFETS INC. (TICKER: BOCB), SOLD 6,675 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90341c0083 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAY 08, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, A DOUGLAS JUMPER, DIR. OF BANCORP OF MISSISSIPPI INC. (TICKER: BOMS), BOUGHT 705 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,336.

-30- 361
#90341c0084 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ROBERT J LICHTER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BURNHAM PACIFIC PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BPP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,804.

-30- 367
#90341c0085 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, HENRY RASMUSSEN JR, DIR. OF BURNHAM PACIFIC PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BPP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 86,805.

-30- 344
#90341c0086 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, NATHANIEL D GROSS, PRES. OF BELL SAVINGS HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: BSBX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 185,342.

-30- 338
#90341c0088 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, LINDA M JENKINS, VP OF CATO CORP. (TICKER: CACO), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 290
#90341c0089 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, REGINALD M MUDD, VP OF CRACKER BARREL OLD COUNTRY STORE INC. (TICKER: CBRL), SOLD 20,088 SHARES AT $25.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22.

-30- 368
#90341c0090 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, COCA-COLA CO, BEN. OWNER OF COCA-COLA ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CCE), SOLD 163,164 SHARES FROM $13.70 TO $14.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,142,372.

-30- 373
#90341c0091 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, LOEWS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CHA), BOUGHT 111,600 SHARES FROM $23.13 TO $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,184,800.

-30- 361
#90341c0092 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, ROBERT D ROGERS, DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 339
#90341c0093 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, LEE ESTELL C, DIR. OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $45.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,095.

-30- 322
#90341c0094 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, LEE D WALKER, DIR. OF CRESTAR FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CRFC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,010.

-30- 323
#90341c0096 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, MIKE A MYERS, DIR. OF CRSS INC. (TICKER: CRX), SOLD 23,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 290
#90341c0097 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, WAYNE H DRAEGER, VP OF CUMMINS ENGINE CO. (TICKER: CUM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 304
#90341c0098 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, DALE F GOOD, VP OF CUMMINS ENGINE CO. (TICKER: CUM), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $33.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,821.

-30- 298
#90341c0099 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, VINCENT BREITENBERGER, VP OF CVB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CVB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,762.

-30- 321
#90341c0100 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, DAVID L COFFIN, CHAIRMAN OF DEXTER CORP. (TICKER: DEX), BOUGHT 7,600 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,321,617.

-30- 313
#90341c0101 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JOHN B SCHWEMM, DIR. OF DONNELLEY (R.R.) & SONS CO. (TICKER: DNY), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 84,687.

-30- 332
#90341c0102 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, MICHAEL E GOLDEN, DIR. OF D.O.C. OPTICS CORP. (TICKER: DOCO), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 157,350.

-30- 316
#90341c0104 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 15, 1990 TO OCT 19, 1990, DONALD F DAY, CHAIRMAN OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $11.62 TO $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 111,652.

-30- 338
#90341c0105 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, DONALD F DAY, CHAIRMAN OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,232.

-30- 311
#90341c0106 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, PRUDENTIAL INS CO OF AMER, BEN. OWNER OF DRAVO CORP. (TICKER: DRV), SOLD 37,200 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 186,000.

-30- 324
#90341c0107 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JOSEPH PY, CHAIRMAN OF DIMENSIONAL VISIONS GROUP LTD. (TICKER: DVGL), SOLD 9,240 SHARES AT $4.07 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,910,000.

-30- 336
#90341c0108 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, DANIEL F RILEY, VP OF EG & G INC. (TICKER: EGG), SOLD 900 SHARES AT $34.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,655.

-30- 286
#90341c0109 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, CARL DERMAN, DIR. OF EMPIRE OF CAROLINA INC. (TICKER: EMP), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90341c0110 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, THOMAS H ROBERTS JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DEKALB ENERGY CO. (TICKER: ENRG), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $30.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 344
#90341c0112 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, WILLIAM J BARRETT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ESI INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ESI), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,863.

-30- 374
#90341c0113 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 19, 1990, BRAXTON I MOODY III, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCE CORP. (TICKER: FCOM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,100.

-30- 323
#90341c0114 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, GARY GELMAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIFTH DIMENSION INC. (TICKER: FIVD), BOUGHT 5,350 SHARES FROM $1.78 TO $2.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,750.

-30- 353
#90341c0115 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, CHRISTOPHER J GIGLIOTTI JR, SHAREHOLDER OF THE FRANKFORD CORP. (TICKER: FKFD), SOLD 49,563 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 340
#90341c0116 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, PAUL L DAVIES JR, DIR. OF FMC CORP. (TICKER: FMC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES FROM $26.32 TO $26.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,668.

-30- 327
#90341c0117 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, C RIDGLEY WHITE, DIR. OF F & M NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: FMNT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,391.

-30- 310
#90341c0118 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, MARTIN A MASSENGALE, DIR. OF FIRSTIER FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: FRST), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $32.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 325
#90341c0120 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, DAVID A RISMILLER, CHAIRMAN OF FIRSTIER FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: FRST), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 333
#90341c0121 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, DANIEL F MCKEITHAN JR, DIR. OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 311
#90341c0122 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, HOWARD S MODLIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GDC), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,000.

-30- 377
#90341c0123 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 15, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, HENRY H PATTON, CHAIRMAN OF GEOKINETICS INC. (TICKER: GEOK), BOUGHT 95,000 SHARES FROM $0.64 TO $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 635,000.

-30- 349
#90341c0124 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, GARY W DICKINSON, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 924 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 308
#90341c0125 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, GEORGE C EADS, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $37.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 963.

-30- 302
#90341c0126 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, FRANK B WALLACE, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 3,917 SHARES AT $38.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90341c0128 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 09, 1990, CHARLES GELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF GELMAN SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GSC), BOUGHT 34,700 SHARES FROM $6.56 TO $6.93 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 558,341.

-30- 354
#90341c0129 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, DARLEEN M SLAZINSKI, OFFICER OF GELMAN SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: GSC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 915.

-30- 323
#90341c0130 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, DAVID H DIEVLER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ACM GOVERNMENT SECS FD INC. (TICKER: GSF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90341c0131 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, RALPH R ROWE, DIR. OF THE GOODHEART-WILLCOX CO. (TICKER: GWOX), SOLD 550 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 310
#90341c0132 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, DAVID K PAGE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HIGHLAND SUPERSTORES INC. (TICKER: HIGH), BOUGHT 70,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,000.

-30- 349
#90341c0133 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, DONALD E BRUGGERS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HARDING ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: HRDG), SOLD 390 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 325
#90341c0134 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 30, 1990 TO OCT 19, 1990, KYLE KRAUSE, DIR. OF HAWKEYE BANCORP. (TICKER: HWKB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $6.13 TO $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 338
#90341c0136 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, THOMAS F CRUMP, VP OF INVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INVF), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,540.

-30- 313
#90341c0137 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, STEVEN C DELANEY, PRES. OF INVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INVF), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,418.

-30- 327
#90341c0138 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, W WARDLAW THOMPSON JR, DIR. OF INVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INVF), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,800.

-30- 336
#90341c0139 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, W WARDLAW THOMPSON JR, DIR. OF INVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INVF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,440.

-30- 335
#90341c0140 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, PAUL KLEINKOPF, SHAREHOLDER OF INTERCHANGE FINANCIAL SVCS CORP. (TICKER: ISB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $6.75 TO $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,572.

-30- 385
#90341c0141 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 16, 1990, HUNTER JACK INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ADTEC INC. (TICKER: JAIL), BOUGHT 2,000,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000,000.

-30- 342
#90341c0142 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 16, 1990, JOHN W HUNTER, DIR. OF ADTEC INC. (TICKER: JAIL), BOUGHT 2,000,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000,000.

-30- 322
#90341c0144 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, GEORGE GOURLAY, VP OF THE COCA-COLA CO. (TICKER: KO), SOLD 4,600 SHARES AT $45.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,150.

-30- 299
#90341c0145 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, JOHN C COURT, PRES. OF MULTI-COLOR CORP. (TICKER: LABL), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 338,609.

-30- 323
#90341c0146 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, THOMAS W MERKL, VP OF MULTI-COLOR CORP. (TICKER: LABL), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,800.

-30- 303
#90341c0147 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JOHN R POL, OFFICER OF MULTI-COLOR CORP. (TICKER: LABL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,900.

-30- 306
#90341c0148 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, MATHIAS J DIEDERICH, VP OF LITTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: LIT), SOLD 7,900 SHARES AT $77.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90341c0149 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, LUCIEN BURSTEIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LAZARE KAPLAN INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: LKI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 353
#90341c0150 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, PETER K DUNSIRE, VP OF LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP. (IN)

(TICKER: LNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $34.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 323
#90341c0152 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JON A BOSCIA, PRES. OF LINCOLN NATL CONVERTIBLE SECS FD INC. (TICKER: LNV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 350
#90341c0153 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, GEORGE T MCCOY, DIR. OF MANITOWOC INC. (TICKER: MANT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 302
#90341c0154 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 06, 1990, WALTER L HOVELL, SHAREHOLDER OF MOBILE GAS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MBLE), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,302.

-30- 331
#90341c0155 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, MADISON H HAYTHE, DIR. OF MILTOPE GROUP INC. (TICKER: MILT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 314
#90341c0156 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, ROBERT J MCKINNON, PRES. OF MARQUEST MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MMPI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 446,900.

-30- 336
#90341c0157 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 12, 1990, ROBERT J MCKINNON, PRES. OF MARQUEST MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MMPI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.17 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 441,900.

-30- 335
#90341c0158 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JOHN ARRILLAGA, DIR. OF MORRISON-KNUDSEN CO. (TICKER: MRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $36.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 318
#90341c0160 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, GEORGE J LABRECHE JR, PRES. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 428 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,466.

-30- 351
#90341c0161 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, HARVEY SALIGMAN, DIR. OF MERCANTILE BANCORP. (TICKER: MTRC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,625.

-30- 316
#90341c0162 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JAMES R GLYNN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,617.

-30- 321
#90341c0163 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 16, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, ALBERT D KERN, VP OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO), SOLD 11,000 SHARES FROM $12.50 TO $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,485.

-30- 325
#90341c0164 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 15, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, DOROTHY I ANDREAS, DIR. OF NATIONAL CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBM), BOUGHT 24,000 SHARES FROM $9.25 TO $10.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 666,677.

-30- 361
#90341c0165 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, DWAYNE O ANDREAS, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL CITY BANCORP. (TICKER: NCBM), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 975,449.

-30- 358
#90341c0166 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JOHN R MASTANDREA, PRES. OF NDE ENVIRONMENTAL CORP. (TICKER: NDEC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,201,284.

-30- 334
#90341c0168 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, D MICHAEL HUGHES, DIR. OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER), SOLD 21,575 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,306.

-30- 333
#90341c0169 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, D MICHAEL HUGHES, DIR. OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: OCER), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 329
#90341c0170 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 04, 1990 TO OCT 23, 1990, SAMUEL W WILLIAMS JR, DIR. OF ONBANCORP INC. (TICKER: ONBK), BOUGHT 300 SHARES FROM $7.75 TO $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,351.

-30- 336
#90341c0171 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, WESTON L BONNEY, CHAIRMAN OF PEOPLES HERITAGE FINL GROUP INC. (TICKER: PHBK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,490.

-30- 349
#90341c0172 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 16, 1990 TO OCT 17, 1990, JOHN N ANDERSON, DIR. OF PHARMAKINETICS LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: PKLB), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES FROM $0.44 TO $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,000.

-30- 375
#90341c0173 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, J D MCLEROY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PONDER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNDR), SOLD 112,454 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 332
#90341c0174 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, MARTIN BIDART, OFFICER OF PENN ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING CORP. (TICKER: PNN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 348
#90341c0176 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 23, 1990, JOHN CHARLES DIMMER, DIR. OF PUGET SOUND BANCORP. (TICKER: PSNB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 336
#90341c0177 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, PRUDENTIAL INS CO OF AMER, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS-VAN HEUSEN CORP. (TICKER: PVH), SOLD 26,255 SHARES FROM $11.88 TO $11.95 PER SHARE.

-30- 346
#90341c0178 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:30 that trade in Teledyne Inc. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol TDY .

-30- 329
#90341c0179 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JAMES H BOLTON, CHAIRMAN OF PROVENA FOODS INC. (TICKER: PVNA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,800.

-30- 318
#90341c0180 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JOSEPH W WOLBERS, DIR. OF PROVENA FOODS INC. (TICKER: PVNA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,650.

-30- 308
#90341c0181 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, HENRY E LENTZ, DIR. OF ROWAN COS. (TICKER: RDC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 293
#90341c0182 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JAMES E S HYNES, DIR. OF RUDDICK CORP. (TICKER: RDK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES FROM $21.00 TO $21.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 316
#90341c0184 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, DANIEL D TOMPKINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 346,570.

-30- 337
#90341c0185 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, RICHARD D CURTIS, OFFICER OF RAYTHEON CO. (TICKER: RTN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $68.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,067.

-30- 305
#90341c0186 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, GEORGE S OKI, DIR. OF SYNCOR INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCOR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 314
#90341c0187 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, RICHARD O RYAN, PRES. OF DEKALB GENETICS CORP. (TICKER: SEED), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,050.

-30- 314
#90341c0188 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, DEE S OSBORNE, DIR. OF SEAGULL ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: SGO), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $31.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,400.

-30- 315
#90341c0189 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 08, 1990, ARTHUR KONTOS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SHERWOOD GROUP INC. (TICKER: SHD), BOUGHT 9,200 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,200.

-30- 376
#90341c0190 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, WILLIAM C ZEKAN, CHAIRMAN OF SCHULMAN (A.) INC. (TICKER: SHLM), SOLD 35,000 SHARES FROM $25.88 TO $26.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 532,328.

-30- 354
#90341c0192 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, DAVID H DIEVLER, AFFILIATED PERSON OF SPAIN FUND INC. (TICKER: SNF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 296
#90341c0193 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, BILL L HARBERT, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 302 SHARES AT $13.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 201,375.

-30- 304
#90341c0194 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, GREGORIO REYES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SUNWARD TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SUNT), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 333,508.

-30- 354
#90341c0195 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, WALTER C MINNICK, PRES. OF TJ INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: TJCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,323.

-30- 317
#90341c0196 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 07, 1990, BRUCE D COWEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TRC COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: TRR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $5.31 TO $5.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 144,492.

-30- 363
#90341c0197 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, TIM W HUMPHREY, VP OF U.S. HOME CORP. (TICKER: UH), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 295
#90341c0198 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, STEPHEN KNEPPER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNIVERSAL SECURITY INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: USEC), BOUGHT 21,000 SHARES FROM $1.22 TO $1.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,173.

-30- 404
#90341c0200 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, K BRENT SOMERS, OFFICER OF THE U.S. SHOE CORP. (TICKER: USR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 308
#90341c0201 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, ALAN J BENNETT, VP OF VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: VAR), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $30.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,746.

-30- 313
#90341c0202 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, PAUL D SCHALLER, VP OF VITALINK COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: VITA), SOLD 20,000 SHARES FROM $7.38 TO $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,436.

-30- 362
#90341c0203 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JERROLD B HARRIS, PRES. OF VWR CORP. (TICKER: VWRX), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $13.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,049.

-30- 293
#90341c0204 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, ETTA ALLEN, DIR. OF WESTAMERICA BANCORP. (TICKER: WAB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,800.

-30- 307
#90341c0205 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, RONALD A NELSON, DIR. OF WESTAMERICA BANCORP. (TICKER: WAB), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 322
#90341c0206 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 09, 1990, E JONES WARREN, DIR. OF WALBRO CORP. (TICKER: WALB), SOLD 1,200 SHARES FROM $9.00 TO $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,000.

-30- 332
#90341c0208 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, DAVID M RODERICK, DIR. OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $31.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,137.

-30- 289
#90341c0209 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID BECKERMAN OF 300 ONE TANDY CENTER, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 52,801 SHARES OF AMERICAN FRANCHISE GROUP INC. (TICKER: BUCS) THROUGH GUARDIAN INTL SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(AMERICAN FRANCHISE GROUP INC. TEL: 305 564-5302)

-30- 453
#90341c0210 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACQUELINE V ULLMER OF 9052 EAST LEHIGH AVE, DENVER, CO 80237, HAS FILED TO SELL 33,334 SHARES OF MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MSCX) THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 20, 1990.

(MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. TEL: 713 977-1312)

-30- 416
#90341c0211 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL M UTTERBACK OF 19115 CANADIAN CT, GAITHERSBURG, MD 20879, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,500 SHARES OF AGRIPOST INC. (TICKER: AGRI) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 28, 1990.

(AGRIPOST INC. TEL: 305 971-9100)

-30- 410
#90341c0212 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONATO PIZZUTI OF 500 CHESTNUT ST, LYNNFIELD, MA 01940, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,600 SHARES OF CAPITOL BANCORPORATION (TICKER: CAPB) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(CAPITOL BANCORPORATION TEL: 617 723-5300)

-30- 418
#90341c0213 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PRUDENTIAL INS CO OF AMER OF 100 MULBERRY ST, FOUR GATEWAY CENTER, NEWARK, NJ 07102, HAS FILED TO SELL 28,494 SHARES OF DMI FURNITURE INC. (TICKER: DMIF) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(DMI FURNITURE INC. TEL: 502 426-4351)

-30- 460
#90341c0214 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BARRY J SHILLITO OF 1241 CAVE ST, LA JOLLA, CA 92037, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF TRIO-TECH INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: TRTC) THROUGH J ALEXANDER SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(TRIO-TECH INTERNATIONAL TEL: 818 365-9200)

-30- 425
#90341c0216 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID R EIDELMAN OF 8015 DAYTONA DR, ST LOUIS, MO 63105, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI) THROUGH STIFEL NICOLAUS CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 30, 1990.

(UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. TEL: 313 362-2390)

-30- 446
#90341c0217 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT L TRAYLOR OF 25 KING EIDER LANE, ALISCO VIEJO, CA 92656, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII) THROUGH RICHFIELD SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(RYAN-MURPHY INC. TEL: 303 293-3835)

-30- 415
#90341c0218 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SEC PENS J HOLDAHL EQUITY OF 5320 SHORELINE BLVD, 0, MOUND, MN 55364, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF QUARTZ INC. (TICKER: QURZ) THROUGH EQUITY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(QUARTZ INC. TEL: 612 472-5545)

-30- 402
#90341c0219 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LINDA H WILLIAMSON OF 2700 CUSTER, ODESSA, TX 79762, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF FALCON OIL & GAS CO. (TICKER: FLOG) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(FALCON OIL & GAS CO. TEL: 915 367-4126)

-30- 418
#90341c0220 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK A CRICHTON OF #22 ROYAL WAY, DALLAS, TX 75229, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. (TICKER: ARSD) THROUGH WEBER HALL SALE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. TEL: 214 692-7872)

-30- 442
#90341c0221 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANNE C LEGATTI OF 12760 INDIAN ROCKS RD #1065, LARGO, FL 33500, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: TRCI) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 29, 1990.

(TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH CORP. TEL: 813 535-0572)

-30- 442
#90341c0222 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - FRANK FERRO OF 7940 RIO VISTA DR, GOLETA, CA 93117, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,525 SHARES OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP. (TICKER: DGSD) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 27, 1990.

(DIGITAL SOUND CORP. TEL: 805 566-2000)

-30- 406
#90341c0224 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT K MICHAELS OF 769 OREGON AVE, PALO ALTO, CA 94303, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH VAN KASPER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 413
#90341c0225 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAK PARTNERS OF C/O GOLLUST TIERNEY & OLIVER, 500 PARK AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 28,300 SHARES OF UAL CORP. (TICKER: UAL) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(UAL CORP. TEL: 708 952-4000)

-30- 410
#90341c0226 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARY A GOODEARLE OF 10815 PINE BAYOU, HOUSTON, TX 77024, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,666 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH TEXAS FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 394
#90341c0227 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELIZABETH G CUSTODIAN HUGHES OF 16001 PARK TEN PLACE STE 600, HOUSTON, TX 77084, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC.

(TICKER: OCER) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(OCEANEERING INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 713 578-8868)

-30- 463
#90341c0228 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VICTOR ANGSTMANN OF 12725 SW 66TH AVE STE 102, PORTLAND, OR 97223, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PSIX) THROUGH HAYWOOD SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 503 624-8577)

-30- 441
#90341c0229 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WARBURG PINCUS CAP CO LP OF 466 LEXINGTON AVE, 0, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: UNIH) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. TEL: 612 936-1200)

-30- 452
#90341c0230 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN A GOESLING OF 2425 91ST PLACE NE, BELLEVUE, WA 98004, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,500 SHARES OF NORDSTROM INC. (TICKER: NOBE) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(NORDSTROM INC. TEL: 206 628-2111)

-30- 405
#90341c0232 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J OMEARA OF 350 BACHMAN CT, LOS GATOS, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 415
#90341c0233 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LINDA L STEPHENS OF 673 MEADOWCREST DR, CINCINNATI, OH 45231, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,000 SHARES OF ATEK METALS CENTER INC. (TICKER: ATKM) THROUGH BARTLETT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(ATEK METALS CENTER INC. TEL: 513 874-3490)

-30- 430
#90341c0234 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALAN J BENNETT OF 233 TENNYSON AVE, PALO ALTO, CA 94301, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,500 SHARES OF VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: VAR) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC. TEL: 415 424-6325)

-30- 425
#90341c0235 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C CRAIG WALDBILLING OF 3769 MOUNTVIEW RD, COLUMBUS, OH 43220, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MEDEX INC. (TICKER: MDEX) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(MEDEX INC. TEL: 614 876-2413)

-30- 402
#90341c0236 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEAN L BUNTROCK OF 3003 BUTTERFIELD RD, OAK BROOK, IL 60521, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF WASTE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: WMX) THROUGH CHICAGO CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(WASTE MANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 312 572-8800)

-30- 421
#90341c0237 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ELEANORE PACEY OF 1201 HAWKINS WAY, PEBBLE BCH, CA 93953, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 453-7300)

-30- 408
#90341c0238 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRENDAN J CASSIN OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDN) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 943-1234)

-30- 449
#90341c0240 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHAW VENTURE PARTNERS OF 111 S W FIFTH AVE #2200, PORTLAND, OR 97204, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 446
#90341c0241 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL S DELL OF 9505 ARBORETUM BLVD, AUSTIN, TX 75759, HAS FILED TO SELL 250,000 SHARES OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(DELL COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 512 338-8400)

-30- 415
#90341c0242 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUSAN L DELL OF 9505 ARBORETUM BLVD, AUSTIN, TX 78759, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO.

THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(DELL COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 512 338-8400)

-30- 411
#90341c0243 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HENRY E BLAIR OF P O BOX 648, 0, BARNSTABLE, MA 02630, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF GENZYME CORP. (TICKER: GENZ) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(GENZYME CORP. TEL: 617 252-7500)

-30- 392
#90341c0244 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT G YOUNGE OF 184 PECORA WAY, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

-30- 393
#90341c0245 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN A GILMARTIN OF 308 COMMONWEALTH AVE, BOSTON, MA 02115, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MILLIPORE CORP. (TICKER: MIL) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(MILLIPORE CORP. TEL: 617 275-9200)

-30- 412
#90341c0246 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAY MARGOLIS OF 15 WEST 81ST STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10024, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 417
#90341c0248 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES R STEWART OF RT #1, P O BOX 219, SARDIS, MS 38666, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(ALLWASTE INC. TEL: 713 623-8777)

-30- 399
#90341c0249 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E WAYNE CLEARMAN OF 11496 COUNTRY FORREST DR, COLLIERVILLE, TN 38017, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(ALLWASTE INC. TEL: 713 623-8777)

-30- 412
#90341c0250 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - YUEN THOMAS FAMILY TRUST OF 16215 ALTON PKWY, IRVINE, CA 92718, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF AST RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: ASTA) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(AST RESEARCH INC. TEL: 714 863-1333)

-30- 429
#90341c0251 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID F MARQUARDT OF 240 CERVANTES, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94123, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(MICROSOFT CORP. TEL: 206 882-8080)

-30- 409
#90341c0252 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:34 that trade in

Stuarts Department Stores Inc.(NASDAQ: STUS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7/8. The company is located in Franklin, Massachusetts.

-30- 371
#90341c0253 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALDEN INTERNATIONAL I C V OF 2500 WALSH AVE, SANTA CLARA, CA 95051, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,105 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 409
#90341c0254 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Zenith National Insurance Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ZNT. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

-30- 373
#90341c0256 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:17 that trade in Genlyte Group Inc.(NASDAQ: GLYT) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 4 3/16. The company is located in Secaucus, New Jersey.

-30- 349
#90341c0257 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:41 that trade in Optrotech LTD.(NASDAQ: OPTK) has been resumed. The first sale was 7; up 5/8 point from the halt, and up 1 5/8 point from the previous close.

-30- 350
#90341c0258 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The NASD has announced at 11:02 that trade in Stuarts Department Stores Inc.(NASDAQ: STUS) has been resumed. The first sale was 3/8; down 1/2 point from the halt, and previous close.

-30- 366
#90341c0259 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 6 due to an insufficient number of active market makers:

Cattleguard - Wts. '95 (CGXWQ)

-30- 305
#90341c0260 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following issue will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 7:

Hailey Energy Corp. New - WI (HECCV) to (HECC)

The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 6:

El Chico Corp. (ELCH) to Southwest Cafes Inc. (TXMX)

-30- 410
#90341c0261 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Package Machinery Co.(TICKER: PKGM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

17 Weeks Ended

	Oct. 21, 1990	Oct. 22, 1989
REVENUES	$13,015,000	$13,685,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,312,000	$(347,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.21	$(0.30)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,083,795	1,158,410

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 21,, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$32,925,000	$39,672,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,706,000	$16,616,000

-30- 1118
#90341c0262 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Star Savings and Loan Association.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$37,577	$22,922
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.13	$0.08
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	285,905	284,905

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$41,370,814	$43,422,751
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,025,898	$4,093,072

-30- 870

#90341c0264 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mr. Gasket Co.(TICKER: MRGC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$23,604,000	$24,766,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$156,000	$(483,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.05)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,525,000	10,525,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$113,128,000	$116,584,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$34,126,000	$32,223,000

-30- 1075

#90341c0265 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Multnomah Kennel Club.(TICKER: MKLN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,339,431	$6,661,264
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(139,904)	$24,261
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.16)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	864,232	864,232

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,587,092	$4,569,600
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,369,180	$4,172,727

-30- 1078

#90341c0266 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by LBO Capital Corp.(TICKER: LBOC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$18,490	$18,699
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,568)	$643
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,100,000	9,100,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$756,672	$504,115
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$398,653	$436,144

-30- 1047

#90341c0267 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Semicon Inc.(TICKER: SEME).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Sept. 30, 1990	Oct. 1, 1989
REVENUES	$1,547,000	$2,385,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(958,000)	$306,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.29)	$0.09
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,275,000	$3,236,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,206,000	$5,538,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(4,446,000)	$(3,488,000)

-30- 1072
#90341c0268 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Keystone Camera Products Corp.(TICKER: KYC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,832,000	$11,890,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$1,456,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,999,000)	$521,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$0.04

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$35,304,000	$38,823,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(2,276,000)	$1,519,000

-30- 1027
#90341c0269 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Critical Industries Inc.(TICKER: FYBR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,154,219	$10,737,160
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(4,810,708)	$468,293
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.80)	$0.08
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,997,633	6,062,775

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,320,354	$16,852,770
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,718,808	$8,789,746

-30- 1097
#90341c0270 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Golden Bancorporation.(TICKER: FGBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$136,640	$72,474
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.10	$0.05

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$224,502,183	$219,037,709
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,934,906	$14,798,267

-30- 832
#90341c0273 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Uniprop Manufactured Housing Communities Income Fund II.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,215,673	$2,117,488
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$767,704	$765,370
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER UNIT	$0.23	$0.23
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,303,387	3,303,387

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$55,204,960	$55,448,219
TOTAL PARTNERS' EQUITY	$53,640,066	$54,781,366

-30- 1075
#90341c0274 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Screen Co.(TICKER: ASCR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,204,424	$436,855
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$8,649	$(99,299)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	14,538,616	15,062,832

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,788,919	$3,799,771
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$448,579	$525,614

-30- 1063

#90341c0275 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:14 that trade in Genlyte Group Inc.(NASDAQ: GLYT) has been resumed. The first sale was 4 3/16; down 3/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 351

#90341c0276 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Toth Aluminum Corp.(TICKER: TOTH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,573,763)	$(1,930,821)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.06)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$17,232,033	$17,204,524
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,703,259	$11,267,022

-30- 984

#90341c0277 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by TV Communications Network Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$22,855	$375
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(69,218)	$(62,262)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	66,986,000	$66,986,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,018,518	$4,196,975
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,521,750	$3,311,550

-30- 1054

#90341c0278 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - County Bank FSB (TICKER: CNBA) filed a Form 8 with the NASD which states it lost $5.64 million, or $0.66 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with net income of $633,000, or $0.07 per share, for the same period in 1989.

-30- 426

#90341c0279 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Ridgewood Properties Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,904,000	$12,941,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$378,000	$602,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,607,000)	$(469,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(51.54)	$(8.84)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$47,602,000	$47,142,000

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$31,821,000	$36,000,000

-30- 992
#90341c0281 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - TNT Ltd. has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts for ordinary shares of the par value Aus.$0.50 of TNT Ltd.

The depositary bank is The Bank of New York and its telephone number is (212) 495-1727.

Fifty million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $10 per unit. The registration fee is $1,250.

NOTE: Each unit represents 100 American Depositary Shares.

-30- 704
#90341c0282 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - United Overseas Bank Ltd. has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts. Each American Depositary Share represents two ordinary shares of the par value of Singapore $1.00 each of United Overseas Bank Ltd.

The depositary bank is Bank of New York and its telephone number is (212) 495-1727.

Fifty million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $5 per unit. The registration fee is $625.

NOTE: The unit price of $5 is estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee. Each unit represents 100 American Depositary Shares.

-30- 876
#90341c0283 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - Gunnar Gold Mining Corp.(TICKER: GUN) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it lost $1.57 million, or $0.15 per share, on revenues of $3,025 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $10.92 million, or $3.17 per share, on revenues of $74,063 in fiscal 1989.

-30- 467
#90341c0284 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Security Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: SECB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$7,884,000	$7,629,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.67	$0.66
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	13,362,577	13,233,416

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,803,361,000	$2,725,086,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$184,550,000	$180,348,000

-30- 874
#90341c0285 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Orbital Sciences Corp.(TICKER: ORBI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$26,393,000	$22,059,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$502,000	$(1,911,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$(0.24)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,473,788	8,036,282

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$94,495,000	$81,258,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$56,426,000	$38,952,000

-30- 1086

#90341c0286 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by CNB Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: CNBE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,672,000	$3,775,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.53	$0.55
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,863,595	6,908,915

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,329,475,000	$1,365,492,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$120,693,000	$115,800,000

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#90341c0287 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Heavenly Hot Dogs Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$93,296	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(192,060)	$(138,908)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$849,733	$1,323,838
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$341,709	$421,508

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise. It intends to sell franchises for the retail sales of its Chicago style hot dogs and has not commenced planned principal operations. Heavenly's executive offices are located at 2804 Del Prado Blvd., Suite 203, Cape Coral, Florida 33904. Its telephone number is (813) 945-2300.

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#90341c0289 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 16 1990, POP Radio Corp. and Heritage Media Corp.(TICKER: HTG) announced the completion of a merger of a Heritage subsidiary, Actmedia, into POP Radio.

As a result of the merger, POP is wholly-owned by Actmedia Inc(TICKER: ACTM), and each share of POP common stock, other than shares owned by Heritage and its subsidiaries, has been converted into the right to receive $21.10 per share in cash.

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#90341c0290 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by FirstSouth Bancorp Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$65,000	$43,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$188,681,000	$182,517,000

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#90341c0291 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Consolidated Technology Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$953,522	$760,995
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(33,664)	$12,408
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,659,175	2,884,100

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,842,199	$1,551,010
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$984,388	$551,961

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#90341c0292 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by S.N.L. Financial Corp.(TICKER: SNLF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,108,720	$6,201,166
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(54,940)	$1,231,187
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.47

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$211,110,300	$202,702,684
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$17,798,899	$18,219,031

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#90341c0293 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Atlantic Restaurant Ventures Inc.(TICKER: ARVI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,973,926	$4,074,432
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(10,494)	$5,218

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	July 1, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,815,063	$7,710,239
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,458,098	$1,376,381

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#90341c0294 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Michigan General Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended	Nine Months Ended
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$73,439,000	$202,250,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,862,000)	$(18,241,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.23)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	85,367,000	84,700,000

The company reports that on Aug. 22, 1990, it filed a voluntary petition for bankruptcy protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The company's executive address is 4290 Roseville Road, North Highlands, California 95660, and its telephone number is (916) 485-8737.

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#90341c0295 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mega Group Inc.(TICKER: MGIN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,127,732	$1,153,501
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,596,707)	$(95,652)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,257,918	$6,710,410
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,054	$2,071,206

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#90341c0297 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by RSI Holdings Inc.(TICKER: RSIH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$52,328,000	$54,835,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(327,000)	$(844,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(785,000)	$(1,655,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$(0.22)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,755,456	7,619,263

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$35,756,000	$38,264,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,012,000	$11,841,000

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#90341c0298 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Electromedics Corp.(TICKER: AECO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 28,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$413,000	$609,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(17,000)	$32,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,260,700	5,156,277

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 28, 1990	July 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,332,000	$1,355,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$306,000	$324,000

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#90341c0299 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - Deprenyl Research Ltd.(TICKER: DEPL) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD announcing on Nov. 23, 1990 that Dr. Morton Shulman, chairman of the company, purchased 120,000 common shares of Deprenyl.

The shares were purchased from various sources, including the Toronto Stock Exchange.

As a result of the purchase, the number of common shares of Deprenyl over which Dr. Shulman has ownership control increased to 1,082,714, representing 11.5 percent of the total outstanding common shares of Deprenyl.

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#90341c0300 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the SEC by Comtex Scientific Corp.(TICKER: CMTX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$686,739	$792,054
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(86,928)	$(18,846)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,660,751	6,822,902

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,740,307	$1,862,151
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$170,712	$253,395

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#90341c0301 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Netword Inc.(TICKER: NTWD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1989	1990
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(47,832)	$(226,755)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$(0.42)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	535,900	535,900

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$762,954	$962,763
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$513,515	$849,226

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#90341c0302 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bancshares 2000 Inc.(TICKER: BTWO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(335,000)	$136,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,245,072	3,245,072

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$154,365,000	$160,860,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$12,760,000	$17,160,000

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#90341c0303 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:14 that trade in Eastern Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: VFBK) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7 1/2. The company is located in Burlington, Vermont.

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#90341c0305 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the board of directors of Kelly Motors Ltd. determined to change the company's fiscal year end from Dec. 31 to Feb. 28, in order to be consistent with the Feb. 28 fiscal year end of the company's wholly-owned operating subsidiary, AK Automotive Inc.

Thus, the company's new fiscal year will end on Feb. 28, 1991.

The company's executive offices are located at 9625 Rudicill, Riverside, California 92503, and its telephone number is (714) 351-9535.

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#90341c0306 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 20 1990, pursuant to a special meeting of the shareholders of Augusta Resources Inc. (the "Company"), the Company's shareholders approved a reorganization with Cybernet Group Inc.

Pursuant to this reorganization, the Company acquired all of the outstanding capital stock of Cybernet in exchange for 22.26 million shares of the Company's common stock (including 1.24 million shares issued to a finder).

The Company's board of directors resigned and was replaced by three designees of Cybernet, and its name was, effective upon the filing of the requisite documentation with the appropriate agencies, changed from Augusta to Access Group Inc.

As a result of the reorganization, Cybernet became a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company.

Cybernet is a development stage company formed to offer marketing and management services to the dental profession.

Also pursuant to the reorganization, all of the outstanding capital stock of Cybernet was acquired by the Company from Ecofin Lienien Transport Dock, a German entity, and from individual holders.

The company's executive offices are located at 3651 Woodhead Drive, Northbrook Illinois 60062, and its telephone number is (708) 564-9069.

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#90341c0307 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 23 1990, David L. Geddes was elected to the board of Directors of United Bancorp.(TICKER: UTBK).

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#90341c0308 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 4, 1990, Imperial Industries Inc.(TICKER: IIIP) engaged the accounting firm of Price Waterhouse to audit its Dec. 31, 1990 financial statements.

Imperial's prior auditor, Berkowitz Dick & Kaplan, was dismissed on Oct. 10, 1990.

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#90341c0309 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30 1990, Sun Coast Plastics Inc.(TICKER: SUNI) dismissed Price Waterhouse with KPMG Peat Marwick as its independent accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90341c0310 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the asset purchase agreement between American Educational Products Inc.(TICKER: AMEP) and Spectrum Industries Inc., a Wisconsin corporation, covering the proposed acquisition by the company of the Hubbard Scientific Operating Division expired on Nov. 30, 1990, without the parties' closing.

Adverse changes in the general economic environment, combined with the effects of political instability in the Middle East, resulted in American's investment bankers, Boettcher and Company Inc., being unable to obtain the necessary financing for the transaction.

The parties have indicated a willingness to continue discussions, and such discussions are ongoing, American reports.

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#90341c0311 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Hope Technologies Inc. announced that on Oct. 6, 1990, Henry Hope, chairman and founder and treasurer of the company, died at 74.

The board of directors has named Stephen Hope as chairman and treasurer of the company, to fill the vacancies created by Hope's death.

Stephen Hope also retains the office of president.

The company states its by-laws authorize the remaining directors, Stephen Hope and Douglas Pettman, to appoint an interim replacement director to fill the vacancy on the board, but as of the date of this report, such director had not been selected.

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#90341c0313 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows in October 1990, American National Financial Services Inc. (ANFS) acquired 9,600,000 shares of common stock of American Adventure Inc., (the "Company"), representing approximately 89% of all outstanding shares.

The principal business of ANFS is real estate and financial investments, research and consulting.

ANFS acquired the 9.60 million shares from Calmark Investment Co. for $150,000 in cash and vacant land in San Antonio, Texas, which ANFS valued at $1.65 million.

Following ANFS' purchase of the shares of the company, Lee Brukman was elected a director, chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

He already is sole shareholder and chairman of the board.

Other company directors and officers that remain in their same offices are: Erich Kuntze, president and a director, executive vice president and secretary.

Donald Brumlik remains as president and the third board member.

Larry J. Fees remains as vice-president - finance and chief financial officer.

Other previous directors and officer have resigned.

In other news, on Nov. 2, 1990, American Adventure filed for bankruptcy protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

This action, the company states, was precipitated by an action brought by Allomon Corp., named the successor in interest to Mellon Financial Services Corp. for itself and as agent for judicial foreclosure of mortgages and liens on substantially all the assets of the company.

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#90341c0314 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30 1990, the board of directors of Alpha 1 Biomedicals Inc.(TICKER: ALBM) amended the bylaws of the company by adopting a resolution changing the fiscal year end from March 31 to Dec. 31.

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#90341c0315 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows First United Bank of Florence, a wholly-owned subsidiary of First United Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: FUBI), has made a special provision of $2.16 million to its loan loss reserve as a result of one borrower's filing a petition in bankruptcy under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

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#90341c0316 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 23 1990, a decision was rendered in the case of New Crawford Valley Ltd. v. Benedict Nuclear Pharmaceuticals Inc.(TICKER: BENE) and Golden Research Corp. (GRC), awarding the plaintiff $1.24 million plus interest and attorneys' fees, and finding that Benedict had defaulted on a promissory note and second deed of trust in the principal amount of $820,000 given by Benedict towards the

purchase of land in Golden, Colorado.

Golden Research, a subsidiary of Benedict, had filed a counterclaim against New Crawford Valley for a deficiency resulting from a foreclosure by GRC of the land.

GRC had acquired the note and first deed of trust, encumbering the land, for which New Crawford Valley was primarily liable.

The court determined the land at the time of foreclosure was worth $3.50 million, and denied GRC its claim for a deficiency judgement.

As a result of the foreclosure, GRC had acquired four additional lots belonging to New Crawford, and the court ordered they be returned to New Crawford or that GRC pay $434,000 for them.

Benedict and GRC stated they plan to appeal the judgement and will file motions for a new trial and to stay execution within 15 days.

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#90341c0317 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 21 1990, Apache Investments Inc. terminated its acquisition agreement with TravelPro Technologies Inc.

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#90341c0318 12/07/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 21 1990, National Securities Corp.(TICKER: NATS) announced its president, Jeffrey L. Pritchard, had resigned to pursue other business interests, effective March 31, 1991.

Robert L. Kollack, National's chief executive officer and former president, will reassume the role of president after Pritchard's departure.

Pursuant to an agreement with the company, Pritchard will continue to be a director of National until the company has purchased all or substantially all of the stock of National held by Pritchard and his father, Frank A. Pritchard.

Under that agreement, the company purchased and retired 72,000 shares of Jeffrey Pritchard's stock for a total of $50,000.

The company also reports that unrelated to Pritchard's resignation, the company's only independent director, Robert Liberty, resigned from the board of directors effective Sept. 17, 1990, for personal reasons.

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#90341c0319 12/07/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 28 1990, the board of directors of Cullum Companies Inc. voted to change independent certified accounting firms from Ernst & Young to KPMG Peat Marwick.

The change was occasioned by questions raised by the Securities and Exchange Commission as to the independence of Ernst & Young and does not reflect any dissatisfaction with the work provided by that firm, Cullum states.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90341d2220 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 7) - Japan's retail giant Daiei Inc. Friday pledged to give all-out financial support to Shuwa Corp., a Tokyo-based real estate company hit by credit squeeze due to excessive stock purchases and aggressive real estate investments in the U.S. and Europe.

The pledge was announced at a joint press conference here by the presidents of the two companies -- Daiei's Isao Nakauchi and Shigeru Kobayashi of Shuwa -- who said they have reached a basic agreement on the deal.

Mr. Kobayashi said, "I came to realize it is impossble for me to complete my wish to restructure the retail industry on my own. That's why I asked for help from Mr. Nakauchi."

Shuwa's borrowing for purchase of stocks in Japanese supermarket chain operators and department stores had swollen to 1.08 trillion yen (8.3 billion dollars) by the end of March, from 700 billion yen (5.4 billion dollars) in early 1989, industry sources said.

The huge loans, combined with higher interest rates and the sharp fall in Japan's stock and real estate market since the beginning of the year, have apparently forced Shuwa to seek assistance from Daiei, they said.

Mr. Nakauchi said: "I decided to help Shuwa because I feared that it would cause devastating damage to the Japanese economy if Shuwa went under."

He said Daiei has so far provided loans totaling 70 billion yen (538 million dollars) to Shuwa, with the Shuwa-held retailers' stocks as a collateral.

But Mr. Nakauchi denied speculation that Daiei will buy Shuwa's stake in the retailers and said that Daiei was only keeping the shares.

Rumors circulated earlier in the United States and Japan that Shuwa checks had bounced, the sources said.

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#90341d2310 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (DEC. 7) - Gulf states plan to boost joint investment and encourage the private sector, United Arab Emirates (UAE) finance and industry ministry sources said Friday.

They said that the ministry had received a draft law from the Riyadh-based Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) secretariat outlining new rules for investment in the region.

"The law will be presented to the December 22 GCC summit in Qatar for approval " a source said. "It's intended to boost joint ventures among GCC countries, encourage the private sector and gradually sell government ownership in projects."

The GCC -- grouping Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the UAE -- have frequently called for joint ventures to bolster economic links within their nine-year-old group.

Such projects are now worth around five billion dollars but inter-GCC trade remained as low as 10 per cent of their overall trade of 90 billion dollars in 1989.

The new law ensures soft-term loans to joint projects from GCC government funds provided the venture is owned by more than two GCC members, the sources said.

It stipulates the project's cost should not be less than 50 million Saudi riyals (14 million dollars) and it will enjoy all rights of a national venture and protection against foreign imports.

"The focus will be on the private sector, which accounts for less than 35 per cent of the GCC gross domestic product," said one source. The law urges more investment in less developed Gulf areas even if the return is low.

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#90341d2340 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (DEC. 7) - Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas warned Friday that the failure of world trade talks that have bogged down in Brussels would have serious consequences for developing countries.

"We are following with a feeling of very deep concern, the negotiations of the

Uruguay Round which are now entering the final stage," Mr. Alatas told a weekly press briefing here.

He said that although the current ministerial meeting of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) in Brussels was still far from agreement,

"We hope that there would still be compromises reached in the last hours.

"If not we should foresee a failure of the talks with all its serious consequences, especially for developing countries," he said.

A ministerial working party of the multilateral trade talks in Brussels adjourned Thursday night without setting a time for a new meeting following continuing discord over farm subsidies.

The United States and the Australian-led Cairns Group were demanding a 75 per cent cut in EC farm subsidies, while the EC was prepared to offer only a gradual 30 per cent reduction.

"We are especially concerned over the continuing wide differences over the problem of farm subsidies," Mr. Alatas said. "This problem or the differences of opinion or position on this issue may endanger agreements in other fields."

Cairns Group members, who include Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Indonesia, New Zealand and other developing food exporters, have already walked out of a separate meeting of a negotiating panel on trade-related investment measures in Brussels.

Mr. Alatas said, however, that Indonesia and its neighbours grouped under the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) would not consider forming their own trade block with other Asia-Pacific countries to counter the EC.

"Protectionism should not be fought with protectionism, it would be the wrong medicine," Mr. Alatas said.

Australian and Malaysian officials warned separately Thursday that Asian and Pacific nations including ASEAN -- Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand -- could consider forming their own trade bloc with the United States if the trade talks fail.

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#90341d2520 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (DEC. 7) - Oil ministers from the Organisation of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (Oapec) are to consider moving the group's headquarters from Kuwait to Cairo until Iraq's occupation of the Gulf emirate ends, it was reported Friday.

Sources told the United Arab Emirates (Uae) news agency Wam that the move had been proposed by the executive bureau of the organisation, which met in Cairo this week.

Egyptian Oil Minister Abdul Hadi Kandeel will preside over the ministers' meeting on Saturday. Oapec groups Saudi Arabia, the Uae, Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, Iraq, Algeria, Libya, Egypt and Syria.

The sources said the ministers were expected to agree on an increase in the organisation's budget for 1991 by four to five per cent from the 1990 outlay of 4.45 million dollars.

The meeting would also discuss ways to booster cooperation among Oapec's 10 members as well as proposals for postponing the fifth Arab Energy Conference, which was due to be held in Jordan in 1992.

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#90341d2560 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMSTERDAM (DEC. 7) - Passengers flying with the Dutch KLM airline from Schiphol-Amsterdam airport will soon have to pay a security surcharge equivalent to 3.8 dollars because of a decision by the government to make airlines using the airport bear the cost of policing.

KLM said that the decision would add 13 million guilder (about 7.6 million dollars) to its costs each year.

The Dutch airlines Martinair and Transavia were thought likely to do likewise.

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#90341d2570 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, GERMANY (DEC. 7) - Consumer prices in what was formerly West Germany fell by 0.2 per cent in November compared with October, definitive official figures by the federal statistical office showed.

The office revised its earlier provisional estimate on November 28 that prices had fallen by 0.1 per cent.

During the 12 months to November prices rose by three per cent.

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#90341d2670 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (DEC. 7) - The sale of about 400 of the 8,000 former East German state companies has raised a total of about three billion Deutschemarks (two billion dollars), the ADN news agency reported on Friday.

The state Treuhandanstalt organisation which is responsible for privatisation, has received 1,500 requests to purchase assets, and 15 per cent of these are from foreign interests, an official at the organisation Dieter von Burkersroda said, ADN reported.

The Teuhand, in order to facilitate privatisation, was ready to bear most of the cost caused by companies for sale of damage to the environment provided that buyers bore 20 per cent, he said.

It was particularly difficult to sell chemical activities which were one of the mainstays of the East German economy. But buyers were keen to acquire assets in the hotel business, media and construction.

Meanwhile Justice Minister Hans Engelhard said in Bonn that the government had received more than a million recovery claims from people who had their property expropriated by the communists.

He said many of the properties now belonged to the administraton.

At the end of November, Social Democrat vice-president Wolfgang Thierse said that more than 150,000 people had already made claims concerning property in East Berlin.

In most cases the authorities prefer to pay compensation to the real owners rather than evict the present occupants.

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TOKYO (DEC. 7) - Three of Japan's biggest industrial concerns have reached an agreement with Boeing Corporation of the United States to develop a new jumbo airliner, officials said Friday.

The 350-seat plane, dubbed B-777, would be the largest project ever undertaken by U.S. and Japanese aircraft makers. It is to start in January at a total cost of over 3.7 billion dollars.

The three Japanese firms involved are Mitsubishi, Kawasaki and Fuji heavy industries.

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#90341d2700 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ADDIS ABABA, (DEC. 7) - A pro-government militia unit has killed nine Ethiopian rebels in an attack on a mountain camp in the northern province of Wollo, the Ethiopian News Agency reported Friday.

The rebels were members of the Tigre People's Liberation Front (TPLF), which

has been fighting since 1977 to topple the government of President Mengistu Haile Mariam.

The TPLF, which controls all of the northern province of Tigre, claimed a series of successes in northern Wollo earlier this year.

On Thursday the rebels claimed that government planes had bombed a town in Wollo, killing 18 people and wounding six.

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#90341d2810 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIRUT (DEC. 7) - Four days after government troops were deployed in the Lebanese capital and began opening roads that were off limits for a decade and half, the euphoria of peace seemed to give way to dismay at the scars left by war.

In the wake of a government plan to free the city of all militias and weapons, residents and reporters were allowed onto the cooling battlefield for the first time in eight years.

Although familiar with destruction, many Lebanese who rushed to check on their homes and shops in the frontline district in central Beirut were shocked by the extent of devastation. Huge estates once worth billions of dollars have been reduced to ruins.

The once-thriving city centre and the neighbourhoods forming the demarcation line between the Moslem and Christian sectors are now pocked by the thousands of shells and millions of bullets fired by the warring factions since 1975.

Developers say it will take about 20 billion dollars and 10 years to rebuild the city.

''That is unthinkable right now with a bankrupt government struggling to secure enough funds for water and electricity,'' said Rami Zreik, head of a British relief organisation. ''Maybe Beirut is doomed to remain a city of ruins and devastation.''

Muhsen Hakim, 40, vowed not to rebuild his home again. ''I have restored it four times,'' he said, ''the last time in 1983, when I was fooled that the war has ended. It only took three hours for the militiamen to come back and start shooting again.''

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#90341d2830 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 7) - More Chadian opposition leaders, grouped in the Revolutionary Forces for Democracy (FDR), expressed "satisfaction" on Friday

with the multi-party promises of new President Idriss Deby and said they would send a delegation to Ndjamena.

In a statement released here, the FDR, led by Adoum Togoi, noted that it was "satisfied" that Mr. Deby, a former rebel leader who entered Chad's capital in triumph on Sunday after ex-president Hissein Habre fled, planned to introduce democracy and a multi-party system.

The FDR was formed in October by the First Army, the Western Armed Forces, the Democratic Revolutionary Council, the Chadian People's Revolution and Basic FROLINAT ('Frolinat fondamentale'), which presents itself as the mainstream of the FROLINAT national liberation front formed in 1965, which later broke up into several factions.

The statement recalled that the FDR last month put forward a Chadian peace plan, providing for an immediate ceasefire, the rallying of the opposition in an umbrella General Opposition Congress, the release of all political prisoners and an end to arbitrary arrests, and the convening of a "national democratic forum" to work out means of bringing in political pluralism.

Mr. Deby, formerly one of Mr. Habre's top military aides in Chad's long history of power struggles and civil war, was named head of state by members of his Patriotic Salvation Movement (MPS) on Tuesday, less than a month after launching a Libyan-backed offensive from western Sudan.

He has called for national reconciliation, sought to improve Chad's tricky relations with Tripoli - the two nations have an old territorial dispute over the Libyan-occupied Aouzou Strip on their border - and pledged to introduce "pluralist politics".

Two other Chadian warlords, former president Goukouni Weddeye and Acheikh Ibn Oumar, who fought Mr. Habre before becoming his defence minister, have said they want to return home.

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#90341d2910 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (DEC. 7) - The Danish balance of trade showed a surplus of 859 million krone (150.7 million dollars) in October, raw figures published by the national statistical institute on Friday showed.

This was down on the October surplus of 3.152 billion krone (552 million dollars) and compared with 1.143 billion krone (200 million dollars) in October last year.

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#90341d2920 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG, (DEC. 7) - After loosing a high court case in which 111 Vietnamese boat people were granted a writ of habeas corpus, the Hong Kong government announced Friday that it was dropping all further legal action and would treat this group of boat people as refugees.

The Vietnamese arrived in Hong Kong in May 1989 while making their way to Japan. They successfully persuaded the court that they had been unlawfully detained by the colony's authorities after seeking repairs to their boat.

The Vietnamese were freed, only to be immediately rearrested under another section of the immigration laws.

A major row followed the arrests, which directly contradicted an instruction of the court. The group were released the following day although the government said it would appeal against the granting of the habeas corpus writ.

Friday's announcement followed negotiations with the local office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees which, in a joint statement with the government, said it had secured a 'speedy and humanitarian solution' to the problem of the group of 111 people.

However, both sides stressed that this decision would not affect other people arriving in the colony who would be screened to determine their status as asylum seekers.

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#90341d2940 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (DEC. 7) - The growth in Vietnam's national income has declined and the country has failed to achieve key goals of its 1986-90 Five Year Plan, the official armed forces daily Quan Doi Nhan Dan newspaper said.

It quoted State Planning Commission chairman Phan Van Khai as telling the National Assembly Thursday that Vietnam failed to reach targets for increases in gross national income, production of food and consumer goods.

Vietnam's population of 65 million is also still growing by 2.2 per cent annually, instead of the 1.7 per cent rate set in the Five Year Plan, he said.

The plan aimed for between six per cent and seven per cent growth in gross national income, which only grew by 2.7 per cent in 1989 and 2.4 per cent in 1990, Mr. Khai said.

Gross national income growth for the three previous years averaged 4.8 per cent and 3.9 per cent for the five years ending 1990, he said.

Wages averaged 200 to 210 dollars in 1990, according to official statistics.

Rice production in 1990 only reached the equivalent of 21.5 million tonnes, compared to a target of 22 to 23 million tonnes, Mr. Khai said.

Growth in consumer goods output only grew 7.3 per cent in the three years from 1986 to 1988, declined in 1989 and 1990 and failed to reach the target of 13 to 15 per cent annually, he said.

However, the export programme grew by 100 per cent in value, outstripping the Five Year Plan's target of 70 per cent growth, Mr. Khai said.

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#90341d2990 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (DEC. 7) - At least 11 school children died and 91 were seriously injured when an overcrowded bus went down a precipice in central Sri Lanka Friday, police said.

The bus packed with office workers and students attending a national examination fell 250 feet (75 meters) down a precipice and crashed into a river in the mountainous region of Pannila in Kandy district, police said.

The cause of the accident was not immediately clear.

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#90341d3070 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DOHA (DEC. 7) - Foreign nationals will be able to invest in Qatar in future provided they have a Qatari partner, according to a decree issued by the Gulf state's ruler, Sheikh Khalifa bin Hamad al-Thani.

Non-Qataris would be allowed to operate in the commercial, industrial, agricultural and services sectors provided their partners have a minimum shareholding of 51 per cent, the Qatar News Agency reported.

The decree, issued Thursday night, stipulated that business associations (companies) would have to be properly registered under the country's company registration law.

The news agency said non-Qataris may engage in contracting work but would not allowed to work as trade agents or to undertake import activities.

The decree, which goes in effect within 30 days of publication in the official gazette, said Qatar's partners in the Gulf Cooperation Council (Gcc) would be treated equally with Qataris in line with the Unified Economic Agreement signed by the six Gcc states.

The Gcc links Qatar with Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Oman and the United Arab Emirates. The alliance was set up in 1981 with the aim of coordinating

economic and defence policies of the six oil-rich states.

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#90341d3090 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM, (DEC. 7) - Israeli officials expressed concern over the possibility of U.S. agreement to a U.N.-sponsored conference on the Middle East as the U.N. Security Council was scheduled to take up the issue in New York on Friday.

In London, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir repeated Israel's long-standing objection to any such conference, saying there was "a reason for worry because Israel never accepted this idea and will never accept it."

Mr. Shamir, who was to leave for Washington Friday for talks with President George Bush, insisted that "an international conference is no the way to solve our conflict with the Arab world. It would be rather a dictate to us by the majority of international countries," in an interview on British radio.

He told British Prime Minister John Major Thursday that Israel would never take part in any such conference.

Israeli officials have been equally concerned about linkage of the Gulf crisis triggered by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, to calls for an international conference to resolve the Arab-Israeli dispute.

A commentator for Israeli radio said the idea for such a conference "emerges just when (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein makes a goodwill gesture about the Western hostages in Iraq, by suggesting there's hope for resolution of the Gulf crisis, and as Mr. Shamir is travelling to Washington."

Mr. Shamir also warned about this Friday, urging the United Nations against easing its stand against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein as a reward for his decision to release the foreign hostages in Iraq.

"The taking of hostages was an outrageous act by a dictaorial power, and now he is maybe going to release them and he wants to be paid for it," he said.

Housing Minister Ariel Sharon, meanwhile, said Israel "has never accepted, and would never accept, that an international conference determine its future."

The concern here over a possible shift in U.S. policy on the conference has prompted U.S. officials to deny that the Bush administration was supporting such a conference now.

But the daily Yediot Aharonot here said the "Bush administration will, in the final analysis, adopt the idea of an international conference, in a bid to hammer out an agreement between Israel and its neighbors."

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#90341d3180 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 7) - Six miners were killed at two mines on Thursday, mining houses Gold Fields of South Africa and the Anglo American Corporation (AAC) announced Friday.

Three men died in a pressure burst some 2,000 metres below surface at the Kloof goldmine near Westonaria, some 45 kilometres (27 miles) south-west of here on Thursday, Gold Fields said.

AAC had earlier announced that three men had been killed in a tremor Thursday in the Vaal Reefs East gold mine near Orkney some 180 kilometres (111 miles) south-west of here.

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#90341d3380 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC. 7) - The United States asked its NATO allies Friday to send extra forces to the Gulf, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said.

Mr. Cheney told a news conference at the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's headquarters here that the Americans wanted their allies to send extra artillery and anti-aircraft units.

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#90341d3480 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (DEC. 7) - Rural unemployment in China has worsened and is at potentially explosive levels, the People's Daily said Friday.

The countryside -- home to 80 per cent of China's population -- has between 130 million and 150 million too many workers, according to official figures published recently.

In the short term, 10 million people per year are expected to add their number to the swelling ranks of the rural unemployed, the official Communist Party newspaper said.

"We urgently need to create a large number of jobs," the newspaper said, while China Daily hinted Wednesday that Beijing might revise its policy of barring unemployed peasants from already overpopulated cities.

China's floating population is an estimated 50 million, according to one Western source.

It consists mainly of unemployed peasants who have spent more than a year away

from the community where they are legally registered in search of work in the cities.

The authorities have worked to keep rural workers happy over the past decade and their wages have risen faster than urban workers, mainly because they can sell part of their crops on the free market.

The rural labour market changed substantially under the policy of reform and tens of millions of peasants quit farm work for rural businesses, which have ballooned by 25 per cent annually since 1985, according to official statistics.

However, an estimated three million small businesses have closed down since China's austerity programme was imposed in late 1988.

China does not count rural unemployed in jobless statistics and its official unemployment rate is from three per cent to four per cent.

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#90341d3670 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (DEC. 7) - Germany's massive campaign to supply the Soviet Union is pushing the "far more serious problem of famine in Africa" into the background a leading charity combating world hunger warned here Friday.

Spokesman Holger Baum said receipts for the German Organisation Against Hunger in the World, which sends nearly half its aid to Africa, would be down eight per cent this year compared with 1989.

It had collected 30 million Deutsche marks (20 million dollars) for 1990 compared to 42 million Deutsche marks for last year -- while the campaign launched just two weeks ago by Chancellor Helmut Kohl for humanitarian help for the Soviet people facing shortages as winter sets in had already raised more than 20 million Deutsche marks, Mr. Baum said.

"But nobody is dying of hunger in the Soviet Union, unlike in Africa," he noted.

At the start of the year, Germans were spending more on the Third World than in 1989, but that trend was abruptly halted by a switch to solidarity with the Soviets, Mr. Baum said.

That was a welcome development as a way of effecting reconciliation among people still haunted by memories of World War II, "but Africa should not be forgotten."

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#90341d3850 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (DEC. 7) - Yugoslavia's federal government and the army are facing financial collapse because of a lack of money, the cabinet said here Friday.

It said the country's eight republics had sent the Federal Executive Council only 46 per cent of the expected November taxes and withheld about 4.2 billion dinars (400 million dolars).

This ''embezzlement'' would cripple ''vital public and economic mechanisms'', the government said.

It said the republics of Slovenia, Serbia and Vojvodina had withheld the lion's share, but the other republics were increasingly using taxpayers money for their own purposes.

The budget of Yugoslavia's federal government, which is traditionally small due to the autonomy of the republics, is mainly used to finance the federal cabinet, the army and military pensions.

Many republics are at odds with the government in Belgrade because of differences over the country's democratisation process and the transition from a state-controlled to a free market economy.

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#90341d3900 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (DEC. 7) - Zimbabwe will honour the partial ceasefire signed between the Mozambican government and the Mozambique National Resistance (RENAMO), and will shortly begin redeployment its estimated 10,000 troops stationed in Mozambique, Foreign Minister Nathan Shamuyarira said Friday.

In an interview with the local daily, The Herald, Mr. Shamuyarira said Zimbabwe welcomed the partial ceasefire and hoped that the government of the Mozambique Liberation Front (FRELIMO) and RENAMO would agree on a general ceasefire.

This is the first official reaction from the Zimbabwean government to the partial ceasefire signed in Rome on December 1 between the Mozambican government and RENAMO.

Under the agreement, Zimbabwean troops will be restricted to the rail corridors from the capital Maputo and Beira port into the southern African interior. The redeployment to the corridors should be completed by January 5.

The partial ceasefire does not cover the other transport corridors of Tete and Nacala. These will only be covered when a general ceasefire is reached. Mr. Shamuyarira said it was not immediately clear as to what would happen in the other corridors which are not covered by the partial ceasefire.

Zimbabwean troops guard the Tete route to Malawi where they provide convoy protection to road transport.

The ceasefire monitering group, which is expected to meet shortly, will be made up of eight nations including Zimbabwe, the United States and the Soviet Union.

Zimbabweans have also been affected by RENAMO's 15-year bush campaign against the socialist FRELIMO government. Zimbabwe's President Robert Mugabe vowed never to allow the rebels to take power Mozambique and stationed 10,000 troops in the country.

In response, RENAMO, whose war has been described by the U.S. State Department as particularly brutal -- "declared war" on Zimbabwe in 1987.

Since then they have launched raids across much of Zimbabwe's 1,000-kilometre (625 miles) border with Mozambique, bringing development projects to a halt in the north-east and forcing the closure of the Gonarezhou game reserve in the south-east.

Although a few of the attacks have been against economic targets, many have been attributed to pure banditry, with border villages being pillaged for food and the residents' meagre possessions.

According to official government statistics released in April this year, since 1987, around 400 Zimbabweans have been killed in cross-border raids, 300 wounded and 250 kidnapped.

On Friday, Zimbabwe's Home Affairs Minister Movem Mahachi appealed to RENAMO to stop brutalising innocent Zimbabweans. He told journalists here that Zimbabwe's border with Mozambique was too long to guard fully but added that Zimbabwe had no intention of following South Africa's example and erecting an electric fence.

"There are not enough forces to be deployed along the eastern border and we do not have the guts or morale South Africa has to erect an electric fence to stop the infiltration of RENAMO who are brutally killing our people," Mr. Mahachi said.

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#90341d3990 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 7) - East European dealers posing as tourists are plying a new Silk Road, taking cheap Chinese goods back home to sell at enormous profit.

The famous caravan trail that linked Europe and China for 1,500 years allowed a rich East-West trade to flourish until the 13th century, but in 1990 the dealing is shady, and warnings in the official Chinese press suggest it will

not go unregulated much longer.

The first new dealers, mostly young people from Poland, Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union, arrived at the end of 1989 after a wave of liberalizing reform in socialist Eastern Europe.

Under the pretext of collecting souvenirs, they buy loads of clothing, toys, cultured pearls and anything else manufactured cheaply in China, which levies no export tariffs.

The best of them can expect to pocket the equivalent of 6,000 to 9,000 dollars profit from a single trip, the Women's Daily reported in October.

A single bag stuffed with T-shirts, bought for five yuan (about one dollar) in China and sold in East European cities for five dollars, about pays the train fare between Moscow and Beijing, via the Mongolian capital Ulan Bator.

Thanks to preferential arrangements during Eastern Europe's hard-line socialist days, train tickets to and from China are still dirt cheap.

The number of Yugoslavian dealers posing as tourists rose five-fold during the first nine months of this year, to about 7,500, the Economic Information Daily said this week, quoting a Yugoslavian newspaper.

Nine in 10 travelled to the Chinese capital specifically to make lucrative deals, the paper said.

They spent the equivalent of 34 million dollars here but raked in profits of between 100 million and 150 million dollars, it said, or more than the total value of Sino-Yugoslavian trade.

One such dealer, a Belgrade store manager, left China with 10,000 ties in his luggage, the paper said.

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#90341d4030 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WOLFSBURG, GERMANY (DEC. 7) - The German Volkswagen car manufacturer and Ford are to work together to build a mini-van in Europe for carrying seven or eight people, a Volkswagen spokesman said here on Friday.

The site for an eventual factory had not been chosen, but Portugal was on the list, he said.

Annual output might be about 200,000 vehicles.

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#90341d4050 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 7) - Irish Foreign Minister Gerard Collins will make an official visit to the Soviet Union before March, Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Vitaly Churkin said here Friday.

To prepare for the meeting, deputy foreign ministers from the two sides would be meeting in January, he added.

The Soviet Union, Mr. Churkin also said, was committed to wide-ranging relations with Ireland.

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#90341d4060 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROME (DEC. 8) - Italy's trade balance in October showed a deficit of 1,481 billion lire (1.3 billion dollars) compared with a deficit of 1,872 billion lire a year earlier, official figures showed here on Friday.

The deficit for the first 10 months of the year totalled 12,446 billion lire (11 billion dollars).

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#90341d4120 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (DEC. 7) - Cambodian guerrillas suffered heavy casualities after government troops used artillery barrages to repulse a massive assault on a strategic road in northwestern Cambodia, Thai military officers stationed on the border said Friday.

"The guerrillas belonging to the Khmer People's National Liberation Front (KPNLF) have taken a serious beating and their ground assault against Route 69 has been repulsed by heavy artillery and rocket bombardment from the Phnom Penh troops," a Thai officer based at Aranyapathet said.

Guerrilla officers told Agence France-Presse that KPNLF commander General Sak Sutsakarn this week threw 1,700 troops from five Special Forces Battalions into the fight for Route 69, which runs parallel to the Thai border some 30 kilometres (18 miles) inside Cambodia.

But Cambodian government troops "decimated" the KPNLF force with massive artillery and rocket bombardments from Phum Nimit and Phum Sarok, both straddling strategic Highway Five, and artillery bases around Sisophon, the capital of northwestern Banteay Meanchey province, the Thai officers said.

Phum Nimit and Phum Sarok, part of a strategic network of some half-a-dozen artillery bases set up by Vietnamese troops during their nearly 10-year occupation of Cambodia, still provide the most effective deterrent against guerrilla attacks, analysts said.

KPNLF sources said casualty figures were not immediately available.

The Khmer Rouge -- the strongest faction in a tripartite coalition trying to topple the Phnom Penh government -- last year suffered its heaviest battlefield setback since the Vietnamese troop withdrawal in September 1989 when it tried to seize Phum Nimit firebase.

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#90341d4300 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC. 7) - Masked gunmen on Friday shot and seriously wounded a Palestinian official suspected of collaborating with Israelis, while the army slapped curfews on the occupied territories ahead of the intifada's third anniversary, military and Arab sources said.

Zaki el Nahas, deputy mayor of El Bireh, was shot in the stomach and shoulder at his office. He was rushed to an Arab hospital in nearby Ramallah but later transferred to an Israeli medical center "for security reasons," the sources said.

The army bolstered its presence in the area after the attack, they added.

In Jerusalem's Old City, security forces were heavily deployed to prevent demonstrations at the Temple Mount following Friday's Moslem prayers which drew 14,000 worshippers, police said, adding that there were no incidents.

In another development, the clandestine Unified Leadership of the Uprising in the territories and Hamas, the Islamic resistance movement, called for a general strike on Saturday.

The strike is to commemorate both the intifada, or uprising, and the killing by Israeli security forces two months ago of 17 Palestinians at the Temple Mount.

Israeli authorities Friday imposed curfews on a large part of the occupied territories, affecting about a million people, to contain violence and prevent demonstrations ahead of the Palestinian uprising's third anniversary on December 9, military sources said.

The army has beefed up its forces at all "hot spots" in the territories and erected barricades at major road intersections. Soldiers have also stepped up search operations.

The measure was imposed on the major towns of the West Bank, several refugee camps, notably in the Nablus and Hebron regions, and large sectors of the Gaza Strip, the sources said.

Military authorities fear renewed Palestinian attacks. Defense Minister Moshe Arens has warned that the army would "respond to firearms with firearms."

Three Israelis from the Elon Moreh settlement who rode a bus near Ramallah were shot and wounded Wednesday by unknown assailants while in the Gaza Strip gunmen seriously wounded a border guard in the head.

Israeli forces arrested three Palestinians in the West Bank refugee camp of Tulkarm after assailants lobbed a petrol bomb at an army jeep. A Palestinian was shot and wounded during clashes in a village near Tulkarm, Arab sources said.

Police arrested two Palestinians from Ramallah found in possession of "large kitchen knives," which police said were to be used against soldiers or policemen.

For its part, the daily Yediot Aharonot asked whether Israel really needed the Gaza Strip, and reported that 30 reserve officers had last week signed a petition calling for a military withdrawal from that region.

The left-wing opposition paper, Al Hamishmar, said "the intifada refuses to die" and asked how long the Israeli army could continue to hold the occupied territories.

Ze'ev Schiff, military commentator for the daily Ha'aretz, wrote that the uprising's leadership had passed into the hands of Moslem extremists.

"The use of weapons in the occupied territories is prompted by Hamas and Islamic Jihad, against the wishes of most Palestinian leaders and officials of the Palestine Liberation Organizaion abroad," he said.

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#90341d4420 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (DEC. 7) - Food from Berlin's Cold War stockpiles began the journey to Moscow Friday, at the start of a massive air-land-sea operation to help feed the Soviet public during a long and bitter winter.

Thirty-six Red Army trucks were loaded with 100 tonnes of dried milk and bandages at West Berlin warehouses, and driven to the Soviet air base at Sperenberg, south of the city, where they were loaded aboard four gigantic Antonov-22 air transporters.

In Bonn, government spokesman Hans Klein said "around 250,000 tonnes" of Berlin stockpiles and army rations would be sent, with a value of around 580 million Deutsche marks (386 million dollars).

Three thousand tonnes of the total will be airlifted, at the rate of 150 to

200 tonnes per day over the next two weeks, and the rest will be sent by road, rail and sea, using Soviet and German transport, over the next two to three months, he said.

"It is one of the paradoxes of world history," Berlin Transport Minister Horst Wagner commented, as he prepared the first shipment to the city's former antagonist.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl announced the gift on November 29, after his foreign affairs counsellor, Horst Teltschik, went to Moscow, where Soviet officials handed over a list of urgent food priorities.

Even though the country had a bumper Soviet harvest, shops are bare and rationing is widely in force. Moscow reportedly has only a few days' reserves of meat and milk supplies are sporadic and far below required levels.

The Berlin food mountain was built after the 1948-9 airlift to enable West Berliners to survive several months in the event of a second Soviet siege.

Regularly rotated with commercial supplies in order to stay fresh, the stores include 66,000 tonnes of grain, 29,000 tonnes of canned meat, 12,200 tonnes of powdered milk, 7,500 tonnes of butter, 20,000 tonnes of sugar and 32,000 tonnes of canned fruit and vegetables.

Added to that are millions of army rations that are no longer needed, as the Bundeswehr, the federal army, is to be slimmed down because of the end of military tension in Europe. The food stocks of the National People's Army, the now-disbanded armed forces of East Germany, will also be sent.

At the same time, Germans have been digging into their pockets for a "Help Russia" appeal, that kicked off last week with a telethon which raised four million marks (2.6 million dollars) in just two hours.

The fund focuses on the popularity of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev,

acclaimed in Germany for having allowed the country to overcome its 45-year division.

Even so, the aid still falls far short of Soviet needs, and Mr. Kohl has been instrumental in organising European Community (EC) aid that, according to EC officials, could be up to two billion dollars.

German agriculture official Rudolf Genske says the Gorbachev request includes half a million tonnes of meat, half a million tonnes of vegetable oils, 100,000 tonnes of baby food and 100,000 tonnes of pasta.

Soviet officials said the worst hardship was in cities, the disaster-struck Ukrainian region of Chernobyl and the southeastern republics opf Kazakhstan and

Uzbekistan, Mr. Teltschik said.

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#90341d4530 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 7) - A Japanese group won a contract Friday for an automated guideway transit (AGT) system at Japan's planned Kansai International Airport despite a protest from a U.S. bidder, AEG Westinghouse Transportation Systems Inc.

Kansai International Airport Co. (KIAC) said it signed the 4.97 billion yen (38 million dollar) contract with the Niigata Engineering Co.-Sumitomo Corp. consortium for design, manufacture, installation and technical assistance on the so-called "people mover."

AGT systems are used to transport people between aircraft and air terminals.

The Niigata-Sumitomo group outbid 12 domestic and foreign bidders in July, but a formal contract was delayed because of a protest from AEG Westinghouse, which had offered to do the job for eight billion yen (62 million dollars).

AEG Westinghouse and the U.S. Commerce Department claimed the U.S. firm had ample experience in building AGT systems and superior AGT technology.

KIAC officials said the Niigata group is technically equal to AEG Westinghouse as it has developed similar systems.

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#90341d4650 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) - King Hussein of Jordan believes Iraq will not pull out its forces from Kuwait until the Palestine problem is solved, the daily New York Times reported Friday.

"They (the Iraqis) are very confident and they are definitly committed to the cause of a just and peaceful solution to their problem and all problems in the region, not just their own," he said in an interview.

Baghdad's decision to release all foreign hostages held in Iraq was "an act of cold pragmatism" and not "a sign of weakness".

King Hussein added that holding the hostages had no longer made sense because it would not have helped prevent a possible attack against Iraq.

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#90341d4760 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEL AVIV, ISRAEL (DEC. 7) - An Israeli plane delivered 15 tons of powdered

milk to Moscow and returned with 220 Soviet Jews who had been waiting in the Polish capital of Warsaw.

The El Al Boeing 747 chartered by the Jewish Agency flew to the Soviet Union on Thursday with a cargo of milk and about 30 journalists. The agency is responsible for immigration to Israel.

"It's a goodwill gesture marking the solidarity of the Jewish people with the Soviet people, whose children are currently deprived of basic products." said Shmuel Ben Zvi, the Jewish Agency's delegate in Moscow.

The plane was received here by the head of Israel's consular section in the Soviet Union, Arie Levin, officials from the Jewish Agency, as well as representatives from Moscow's City Hall.

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#90341d4840 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (DEC. 7) - South Korea and China will join hands to conduct a five-year environmental study of the Yellow Sea, a cradle of Asian civilization that is becoming increasingly polluted.

Chung Yong-Seung, an environmental scientist with Korea National University of Education, will coordinate the study along with Tang Xiaoyan of Beijing University, Mr. Chung said.

He said he signed the agreement for the study with Ms. Tang in China in October and the project would get under way in March, to last five years "and perhaps longer."

Mr. Chung said the study would be the first joint Sino-South Korean study and the first prolonged probe of the large body of water nestled between the Korean Peninsula and China's Shandong Peninsula.

"World culture was originated in the Yellow Sea," he said by telephone from Chongju, where his college is located about 200 kilometers (125 miles) south of Seoul.

"Korea and China have been living together around the Yellow Sea for four or five thousand years," Mr. Chung said. "It is one of the first places where culture originated, the others being around Egypt and Persia."

But the past 20 or 30 years of fast growth have been hard on the Yellow Sea, the receptor of pollution from some 200 million people from three countries living around it, he said.

Major rivers such as the Yellow River, which ends in a delta north of the Shandong Peninsula after snaking through much of northern China; the Yalu, the

natural border between North Korea and China, and the Han, which flows through Seoul and part of South Korea's industrial heartland, empty on the Yellow Sea.

Industry is one of the main causes of the sea's pollution, but agricultural waste may also be flowing out, he said.

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#90341d4980 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 7) - British Prime Minister John Major on Friday warned Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that the international community would not tolerate the "dismantling" of Kuwait.

In an interview with BBC Radio, he welcomed Iraq's decision to free all of its foreign hostages, but added that "they should never have been hostages in the first place."

He said he hoped they would now be released "without let, without hindrance and without delay."

"I don't think the world is going to stand by and watch Kuwait be invaded and dismantled in the way it is, the prime minister said. "Nobody wants to go to war if it is avoidable, but you have to realize what has happened there."

He demanded that the Iraqi leader "disgorge Kuwait, release hostages and make reparations for what he has done. There can be no compromise from that point."

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#90341d5020 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OTTAWA (DEC. 7) - Canada's unemployment rate rose 0.3 per cent to 9.1 per cent in November, its highest rate since May 1987, the government agency Statistics Canada Friday.

The figures represented an increase in the number of unemployed persons of 36,000 to 1.24 million in November, it said.

During the last six months alone, the number of unemployed has jumped by 271,000. The jobless rate in October was 8.8 per cent, according to the government.

Canada is officially in a recession after its economic growth dropped for two consecutive quarters and the unemployment rate has risen steadily since last April when it was 7.2 per cent.

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#90341d5030 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 7) - French air traffic is expected to be disturbed next Tuesday and Wednesday by a strike by air traffic controllers and technical staff at the Athis-Mons control center, south of here, sources said Friday afternoon at the Transport Ministry's Air Traffic Control Department.

Athis-Mons is the country's most important center, handling Charles de Gaulle, Orly and Le Bourget Airports in Paris, as well as Lille.

The sources said some overflights (such as between London and Geneva) might be dropped, while route changes could affect half of the flights on those two days.

The strikers are demanding additional allowances reflecting the specific nature of their work and more staff.

Meanwhile, the technical staff struck on Friday for the same reasons, but flights were not affected. Those employees are responsible for maintenance of control tower equipment.

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#90341d5090 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHOBAR, Saudi Arabia (DEC. 7) - Christmas cards are on sale early in bustling Western-style stores here, but none of them show nativity scenes, the virgin Mary or the cross.

One shows a camel with a sack of gifts and two robins with woolly caps holding out their socks. Another shows Father Christmas with a reindeer parked under a palm tree and in another he is bearing gifts to two Saudis wearing their traditional keffir headgear.

The cards are printed in liberal Bahrein.

The Saudi authorities have relaxed a one-time ban on Christmas trees, holly and other paraphernalia of the Western festival, but their ban on all religious symbols except those of Islam and public practice of non-Islamic religion remains.

The only place where Christmas cards with a religious theme can be obtained in Saudi Arabia is from the chaplain's office or the PX store at King Abdul Aziz air base near here.

There, incoming Christmas mail for the U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, soon to total more than 400,000 men, has tripled in recent days to reach 100,000 lbs. (about 50,000 kilograms) a day for each of the six Army Post Offices operating on the base.

The post offices each handle about 50,000 lbs. of outgoing soldiers' mail,

most of it bound for the United States and Germany and which is posted free.

"With the amount of mail we're handling, we're already at the limit. We're doing a tremendous job," said Captain Larry Bullock, from Montgomery, Alabama.

He said a letter from the United States takes about two weeks to reach the soldier in the desert.

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#90341d5120 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 7) - A British businessman and fan of rock and roll legend Elvis Presley payed 66,000 pounds ($120,000) on Friday for a license plate reading ELV 1S, at an auction at Christie's.

Mr. Anson Lane, who does not own a car, said that he planned to buy a pink Cadillac to go with the plate. He said that he had been a fan of Elvis since 1957, owned all of his records and had seen him seven times in concert.

Among the most expensive plates sold at the auction were H2 EAU (10,000 pounds), SUS 1E (35,000), UFO 1 (12,000) and B1 NGO (24,000).

Almost 800 collectors and onlookers attended the auction, organized by the Department of Transport. It brought in a total of 1.3 million pounds ($2 million) for the 69 plates put up for bidding.

The highest amount ever payed for a British licence plate was 176,000 pounds ($350,000) for the number 1A in December, 1989.

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#90341d5150 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 7) - Iraq's National Assembly Friday endorsed an order by President Saddam Hussein to release all foreign nationals held hostage in Iraq and Iraqi-annexed Kuwait, Baghdad Radio said.

In New York, the United Nations Security Council postponed until 2100 Gmt a meeting at which it will discuss a draft resolution calling for a Middle East peace conference.

The Iraqi parliament met in special session and approved by a large majority Saddam's order on Thursday that all foreign nationals held against their will in Iraq and Kuwait be allowed to leave, the broadcast said.

More than 2,400 western foreign nationals, mostly Americans and Britons, are being held in Iraq and Kuwait as ''human shields'' to guard against a possible attack by the U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the Gulf following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2. About 3,300 Soviets are also in Iraq.

Saddam's order reversed a decision last month to allow the release of all foreign hostages in batches starting on December 25, Christmas Day.

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#90341d5220 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 7) - Tanker rates remained firm this week in the Gulf, and this trend is likely to continue until the end of the year, London brokers E.A. Gibson said Friday in their weekly report.

However, the outlook for 1991 is far less encouraging, due to falling demand for oil, continuing over-production and high stocks, they warned.

Although the number of VLCCs (very large crude carriers, 200,000 to 270,000 tonnes) loading in the Middle East Gulf during the week (18 vessels totalling 4.5 million tonnes) was slightly lower than last week, the rapidly depleting availability enabled owners to maintain, or even slightly raise, the existing firm rate structure.

Rates also advanced for vessels loading in the Mediterranean. But rates in West Africa failed to recover from the sharp drop experienced last week, although there was a reasonable amount of activity.

Shipowners also had to accept lower earnings in the Caribbean and in the North Sea.

FIXTURES (IN WORLDSCALE) DEC 7 - NOV 30

DIRTY:

Gulf StatesWest (VLCC) 77.5 77.5

dittoFar East (VLCC) 97.5 88.75

ditto (138,000 t.) 107.5 unq.

dittoJapan (95,000 t.) 135 unq.

West AfricaUSA (130,000 t.) 80 82.5

Cross-Med. (80,000 t.) 140-145 135

Med.USA (80,000 t.) 120 unq.

North SeaU.K. (70,000 t.) 125 142.5

dittoU.S.A. (75,000 t.) 154 unq.

CaribbeanUSA (70,000 t.) 125 130-140

dittoEurope (80,000 t.) 107.5 105 (70,000 t.)

CLEAN:

Gulf StatesJapan (55,000 t.) 207-210 210

Cross-Med. (25,000 t.) 285 265

CaribbeanUSA (30,000 t.) 390 410-420

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#90341d5390 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) - U.S. policy on normalization with Vietnam remains tied to the full implementation of a United Nations-sponsored Cambodian settlement, a State Department official said here Friday.

"There is no change in policy, no speeding up," said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Her remarks followed comments by Assistant Secretary of State Richard Solomon at a business conference on Vietnam here Wednesday indicating that full normalization with Hanoi could be achieved within two years if Hanoi also gave a full accounting of the nearly 2,300 Americans missing since the Vietnam War.

Noting that it took eight years for U.S.-Chinese relations to be fully normalized in 1979, Mr. Solomon pointed out that the normalization with Vietnam "could be carried out much more rapidly, in two years or less, if the processes that are now underway are in fact actively supported."

"This is a process that we see moving in stages," Mr. Solomon said, with full normalization coming "when the agreement on a Cambodian settlement process had been fully implemented -- that is with the elections held in something like a year and a half ... and the installation of a democratically elected government in Phnom Penh."

Hanoi and Washington have never had diplomatic ties and the United States has maintained a crippling trade embargo on Hanoi since 1975 when Vietnam was reunified under communist rule.

Mr. Solomon expressed hope that the U.N.-brokered peace plan plan -- which provides for a major U.N. role in governing Cambodia during the transition to U.N.-monitored elections -- would be signed at a 19-nation conference in Paris Conference within the next two months.

He said Washington would then be prepared to discuss with Hanoi technical issues blocking a normalization, such as financial claims by both sides, the mechanics of setting up an embassy and other aspects of a normal relationship.

"As the process goes forward, we will be prepared to take certain confidence-building steps, depending on progress achieved on all these issues," Mr. Solomon told the business conference.

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#90341d5430 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 7) - A British Airways plane left Friday for Iraq to bring back a first batch of the approximately 1,150 Britons held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait, officials said at London's Heathrow airport.

The Boeing 767, which left here a few hours after the Iraqi Parliament ratified President Saddam Hussein's decision to release all remaining hostages, was due to arrive in Baghdad at 1930 GMT, but could change course and go to Amman if it failed to receive permission in time to land in the Iraqi capital, the sources said.

A BA spokesman said the plane had room for 247 passengers, but was unable to say how many of the hostages would get on the flight.

The plane was loaded with food, champagne and cigarettes for a party to celebrate on the released group's return.

BA expected the airliner to return here Saturday afternoon, but the Foreign Office said it could take five or six days to complete formalities for the departure of all 1,150 Britons.

Meanwhile a second BA plane was standing by at Heathrow, ready to take off. A Virgin Atlantic plane was also waiting to leave as soon as possible from Gatwick airport, south of London.

-30- 1360

#90341d5460 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NDJAMENA (DEC. 7) - U.S. instructors trained some 700 former Libyan prisoners of war held in Chad to carry out attacks against their own country, reliable sources said here.

A first batch of 200 freed Libyans were flown out of here Friday by a U.S. Air Force C-141 Starlifter, taking off from a farflung corner of the airfield, an Agence France-Presse correspondent witnessed.

U.S.-trained Libyans, taken prisoner from 1983-1987, committed several attacks and laid mines in southern Libyan, the sources said.

The Libyan prisoners, who at first helped the army maintain weapons seized from Libya, were later placed under the command of Libyan Colonel Colonel Alifa Haftar, himself a former prisoner, and armed and trained by U.S. advisors at a camp near here, the sources added.

Libyan envoys headed by Colonel Massud Abdel Aziz arrived here Monday, two days after Chad's new strongman Idriss Deby seized power from former president Hissein Habre, asking that commando members be extradited to Libya.

Mr. Deby's troops overran Chad's eastern regions in the past weeks with Libyan support.

U.S. military sources said the C-141 carrying the Libyans had arrived from Lagos earlier and would return there with its passengers.

More former Libyan prisoners of war were to be flown out Saturday under the auspices of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC).

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#90341d5470 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Ankara (DEC. 7) - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze will arrive here next Tuesday for a one-day official visit, Soviet embassy officials disclosed Friday.

The Gulf crisis was expected to feature prominently in talks between Shevardnadze and Turkish officials, as well as bilateral economic and political relations.

Ankara and Moscow hope to boost bilateral trade to at least three billion dollars next year.

Turkey has proposed establishment of an economic union among the Black Sea countries.

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#90341d5520 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (DEC. 7) - At least 19 people were killed and more than 50 injured in fighting between rival groups in two Indian towns Friday, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

PTI did not identify the groups involved but informed sources here said the clashes in Hyderabad and Aligarh could be Hindu-Moslem riots.

An indefinite curfew was imposed on the two towns.

Violence in Hyderabad, capital of the southern state of Andhra Pradesh, continued after the curfew was enforced, PTI said, adding that 15 people were killed and 45 injured while one person died when police opened fire.

Three people died and about a dozen people suffered serious injuries in Aligarh, in the northern state of Uttar Pradesh about 100 kilometres (62 miles) southeast of here, PTI said.

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#90341d5550 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 7) - The International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICFTU) warned Friday of an impending crisis in eastern Europe caused by mass migrations of workers.

An uneven pattern of reform in the region could lead to a "large scale migration" of workers, with countries like Czechoslovakia and Poland having to carry the burden, the ICFTU executive committee said in a statement.

Migrant workers from the Soviet Union and Romania have begun arriving in Czechoslovakia, increasing the threat of mass unemployment in the country, an ICFTU official quoted a Czechoslovak delegate as saying.

"Our dream is that the government learns how to use the instrument of unionism " said Roman Kovacs, president of Czechoslovakia's largest trade union.

The Czech union together with Poland's Solidarity are the only two eastern European unions affiliated to the ICFTU, some of whose members are strongly opposed to any contact with former official unions of Eastern Bloc countries.

"Some have changed but we are closely monitoring the situation, especially in the Soviet Union," an ICFTU spokesman said, adding however that the ICFTU was looking at potential partners and was currently considering applications from a Romanian and a Bulgarian trade union.

Meanwhile, in an open letter to Chinese Prime minister Li Peng, the ICFTU called Friday for the release of around 20 Chinese union members and activists.

Written by by ICFTU Secretary General John Vanderveken on behalf of the executive board, the letter expressed "urgent concern" over the fate of those detained after the bloody crushing of the student-led pro-democracy movement in Beijing in June last year.

The ICFTU executive committee met here from Wednesday to Friday.

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#90341d5640 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 7) - Platinum demand in 1991 is expected to be higher than 1990 levels provided there are no major shocks to the principal western economies, Johannesburg Consolidated Investment (JCI) said here Friday.

In its annual platinum forecast, JCI said it expects greater production next year from all mines in South Africa, which supply 80 per cent of the world's annual platinum output of 98,000 kilograms (3.5 million ounces).

These supplies may be offset to some extent, it said, if supplies from the Soviet Union are unfavourably affected by economic and political uncertainty in that country.

JCI believes the Soviets will attempt to maintain sales to maximise hard currency revenues.

The company, one of South Africa's seven major mining houses, said that for the first time since 1984, supplies are expected to exceed demand in 1990.

But, it added, the surplus is not expected to be large and will possibly be absorbed by year's end as a result of increased Japanese investment purchases.

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#90341d5650 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 7) - Students at the 10 main universities here have been "invited" to take part in sporting and cultural events to mark the anniversary Sunday of a historic anti-Japanese protest, press reports said here Friday.

Events on the anniversary of the December 9, 1935 protest would include films, seminars on the "spirit of Yenan," Chairman Mao's famous mountain redoubt, and relay races, the People's Daily said.

Students demonstrating for more democracy in the eastern city of Hefei on December 9, 1986 sparked off protests that were the forerunners of the pro-democracy movement crushed by the army in Beijing last year.

The 1935 student movement, touched off by Japan's depredations in northeastern China, came two years before the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese War.

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#90341d5720 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) - The United States announced Friday it would withdraw its diplomats from the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait City after they had finished helping all Americans who wish to leave the country.

State Department spokeswoman Maragaret Tutwiler said the U.S. mission -- which had been operating with a skeletal staff since Iraq ordered all foreign

embassies in the Kuwaiti capital shut down in late August -- will remain open but unstaffed after the U.S. diplomats leave.

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#90341d5730 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 7) - NATO countries for the first time opened the door to the possibility of eliminating tactical nuclear weapons based in Europe, during talks here Thursday and Friday, various sources said.

During discussions among NATO defense ministers aimed at finding a post-Cold War strategy for the alliance, Britain signalled it was ready to lift its objection to the "Third Zero Option," or elimination of all tactical nuclear forces, according to diplomats.

Tactical, or short-range, nuclear forces include all nuclear missiles and artillery with a range of less than 500 kilometers (300 miles)

Following Friday's talks, Belgian Defense Minister Guy Coeme said NATO countries did not reject the idea of the complete elimination of all tactical forces, but he indicated the Soviet Union did not appear as favorable as it once had to such an agreement.

He added that talks within NATO on short-range forces should conclude in spring, 1991.

The government of former West Germany, where most of these short-range weapons are based, had long fought for their elimination.

The July NATO summit in London had provided for negotiations on a reduction in short-range forces following the conclusion of the Conventional Forces in Europe treaty, which was signed on November 19, but no mandate was set forward for such talks.

NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner indicated that NATO was considering a "substantial reduction" of nuclear weapons in Europe and an "increased emphasis on nuclear-capable aircraft."

He said "No nation wants a denuclearization of Europe."

U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney refused to speculate on Washington's position regarding the short-range forces negotiations, but he emphasized that the military situation in Europe had been "significantly altered" by the withdrawal of Soviet forces from Eastern Europe.

The United States had intended to deploy a Tactical Air to Surface Missile (TASM) aboard aircraft stationed in Europe beginning in late 1995.

The ministers also set out the broad outlines of a new NATO conventional forces strategy for the post-Cold War period. The meeting's final statement said that the allied countries hoped to be able to approve the new strategy by next spring.

The communique said that the ministers had agreed on the idea of a smaller, more mobile allied force composed primarily of multinational units, but diplomats indicated the problems involved in the formation of such units were far from being solved.

The statement also indicated that the alliance also intended to scale down its infrastructure program, and to transfer "excess modern material" to Greece, Portugal and Turkey in order to allow those countries to modernize their forces.

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#90341d5780 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 7) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev warned on Friday that 1991 will be "the year of tough and unopopular measures", winding up a difficult meeting with heads of state-run enterprises.

The upcoming year would see cuts in public spending, particularly on defence, Mr. Gorbachev said, according to the Interfax news agency.

Some of the 3,500 company chiefs attending the meeting had openly called on the reform-minded Soviet leader to return to disbanded centralized management.

Mr. Gorbachev called for the rapid conclusion of economic agreements between the various Soviet republics and between the Kremlin and the regions.

Several of his critics at the meeting, backed by Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Rhyzkov, objected to what they called "every man for himself" tactics in the Soviet Union, which would lead to the breach of many standing contracts.

"Now we have to pay for all the errors of the past," was the Soviet leader's reply.

He also announced, according to Interfax and Tass, a cut in investment by central government and a major extension in long term distribution of land.

He recently told a gathering of Soviet intellectuals that he was against private land ownership, but did not see why land could not be rented out "even for a hundred years, even with the right to sell tenancy rights".

The Russian Federation, by far the biggest of the 15 Soviet republics, on Monday said that it wanted the private ownership of land, though it attached a sizeable number of conditions.

Mr. Gorbachev, caught between radical reformers and hardliners, also said on Friday that bank interest rates were set to rise and that "free prices" would be set for "luxury goods". This latter measure has already been contested in several republics, including the Russian Federation.

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#90341d5980 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 7) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1.300,00 (1.304,00) 1.298,50 (1.302,50)
Lead 330,00 (329,00) 338,25 (336,50)
Zinc Sh 1.288,50 (1.252,50) 1.257,50 (1.237,00)
Tin 5.725,00 (5.685,00) 5.810,00 (5.785,00)
Aluminium 1.564,00 (1.552,50) 1.596,50 (1.586,50)
Nickel 8.250,00 (8.287,50) 8.112,50 (8.117,50)
(the last three in dollars per metric ton)

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#90341d6090 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) - The United Nations coordinator of aid to Afghanistan, Sadruddin Aga Khan, is to give up the honorary post at the end of the year, the spokesman for the U.N. secretary-general announced here Friday.

He had been entrusted with the position by U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar in May 1988 in order to coordinate the activities of the various U.N. agencies involving in assisting Afghanistan to overcome the devastation caused by years of bitter civil war.

Sadruddin Aga Khan called into being ''Operation Salam'', which has received over one billion dollars worth of material and financial aid from the international community.

The aid action is in future to be led by Perez de Cuellar's personal envoy for Afghanistan and Pakistan, Benon Sevan.

Sadruddin Aga Khan is also in charge of U.N. humanitarian measures in connection with the Gulf crisis.

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#90341d6150 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (DEC. 7) - U.N. Security Council members Friday were

awaiting a U.S. response to a draft resolution calling for an international peace conference on the the Middle East and the Palestinian problem.

Debate on the draft resolution, which was tentatively approved Wednesday by ambassadors from the council five permanent members, was postponed Thursday and scheduled for Friday afternoon amid ongoing consultations, diplomats said.

Israel has categorically rejected the holding of an international conference to discuss the Palestinian issue or the situation in Israel's occupied territories.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzak Shamir, due to arrive here later Friday on a seven-day visit to the United States, said before departing from London that his country would not agree to "any foreign body deciding its future and fate."

Mr. Shamir is scheduled to meet U.S. President George Bush Monday in Washington.

The resolution, which also proposes establishing a U.N. presence in the occupied territories to monitor the situation there, was put forth by Colombia,

Cuba, Malaysia and Yemen -- Security Council president for this month - and approved among others by U.S. ambassador Thomas Pickering.

The draft does not explicitly call for an international conference or set a timetable for such a meeting, but "considers that the convening at an appropriate time of an international peace conference on the Middle East ... with the participation of the parties concerned, would facilitate the achievement of a comprehensive settlement of lasting peace in the Middle East."

But the wording of the resolution, which if approved would be the first to call for a Middle East peace conference, is likely to change before any voting, diplomats said.

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#90341d6300 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) - The president of the 45th United Nations General Assembly Malta's Foreign Minister Guido de Marco, will visit Palestinian refugee camps in Jordan and the Israeli-occupied territories early next year, it was announced here Friday.

The visit would give de Marco the opportunity to see for himself under what conditions the refugees were forced to live, his spokesman Fred Eckhard told reporters.

In addition, de Marco wished personally to assure the refugees of the support of the General Assembly and of its concern for their fate.

Eckhard said that as far as he knew this would be the first time that the president of the U.N. General Assembly had visited the camps.

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#90341d6340 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC. 7) - Several hundred Israeli Arabs protested Friday evening in the streets of Nazareth in northern Israel ahead of the intifada's third anniversary, Israeli radio reported.

The protestors shouted slogans supporting the intifada, or uprising, in the occupied territories.

No violent incidents occurred during the demonstration, which was organized by the Hadash list linked to the Israeli communist party.

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#90341d6390 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERN (DEC. 7) - A convoy of between five to seven trucks organized by the Swiss Assistance Corps will leave Monday for Moscow carrying 67 tons of powdered milk and 19 tons of baby food, a foreign ministry spokesman said Friday.

Four specialists are already in Moscow to arrange the distribution of the food some of which will be delivered to Leningrad.

Earlier Friday, food from West Berlin's Cold War stockpiles began the journey to Moscow, at the start of a massive aid operation to help feed the Soviet people during the coming winter months.

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#90341d6410 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 7) - Iraqi Airways will evacuate foreigners authorized Friday to leave Iraq, Iraqi airline sources said, without mentioning departure dates.

The same sources said they had no information about whether a British Airways plane would land sometime in the evening in Baghdad to rapatriate British citizens.

In London, the Foreign Office said that a British Airways Boeing 747, which had taken off in the afternoon from London to bring back the first batch of some 1,500 Britons held in Iraq and Kuwait, had not been allowed by Iraq to land in Baghdad.

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#90341d6420 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (DEC. 7) - U.S. actress-model Brooke Shields will not be going to the Gulf to entertain American troops this Christmas -- Saudi Arabia has refused her a visa because she is a "young, single, female entertainer," it was reported here Friday

The New York Daily News said Miss Shields, who always travels with her mother Terri, had already packed her bags for the trip when she learned Sunday, the day before she was to leave, that her visa application had been refused.

"There are people in Washington working to get me a visa and I hope they will be successful," the actress was quoted as saying Thursday.

She said she had scuttled plans to entertain the troops, but just wanted to visit with them in order to keep morale high through the holiday season.

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#90341d6720 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (DEC. 7) - Last-minute discussion continued here Friday over a draft U.N. Security Council resolution that welcomes an international conference on the Middle East.

A vote on the draft was put off for a third time because of behind-the-scenes negotiating, but diplomats said the Security Council was likely to convene at 2400 hours Gmt friday.

The United States has hinted that for the first time ever it would either abstain or vote in favour of the international-conference proposal, which is bitterly opposed by Israel.

The proposal is broadly acceptable to all the other 14 members of the council, but would have faced an American veto in the past.

The resolution was drafted by Cuba, Malaysia, Colombia and Yemen after consultations with U.S. representative at the United Nations Thomas Pickering. The text does not set any date for such a Mideast conference or lay down who should attend.

Israel refuses to countenance a conference with the Palestine Liberation Organisation, which it denounces as ''terrorist''.

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#90341d6780 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) - The United States said Friday its ambassador Nathaniel Howell and his diplomatic staff in Kuwait City will return home as soon as the last U.S. citizens held hostage by the Iraqis are freed.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said the embassy in Kuwait ''remains open'' although nobody would be there. Only one other western nation, Britain, still has diplomatic personnel in Kuwait.

The U.S. mission's ''only function'' since the Iraqi invasion had been to assist the departure of U.S. citizens held against their will in Kuwait. Once this task had been carried out, the ambassador could leave, she said.

Iraq, which has annexed Kuwait, has demanded the closure of all foreign embassies there and their removal to Baghdad.

Explaining the pullout, Tutwiler said: ''If all the Americans leave, surely you don't expect them to stay there and do routine business with Iraqi occupation forces.''

The U.S. charge d'affaires in Baghdad, Joseph Wilson, had urged the Iraqis to resume supplies of water and electricity to the Kuwait mission. Tutwiler disclosed that 750 U.S. citizens were trapped in Kuwait and Iraq. Previously, officials have declined to give totals.

Tutwiler said no firm dates had been set yet for direct talks between Iraq and the United States on the Gulf Crisis. Baghdad had proposed that its foreign minister, Tariq Aziz, meet U.S. President George Bush in Washington on December 17.

Washington would not be agreeing to that until Baghdad settled a date for U.S. Secretary of State James Baker to meet Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. dpa

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#90341d6830 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CARACAS (DEC. 7) - President George Bush Friday expressed disappointment with the European Community (EC) stance at failed trade talks in Brussels and called on the Europeans to muster the "political will" to negotiate accords that would reduce farm subsidies.

This week's talks under the umbrella of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) "unfortunately ... ended without result due to the inability of nations with substantial economic strength -- the European Community, Japan,

(South) Korea -- to negotiate fundamental agricultural reforms," Mr. Bush said in a communique released here, the last stop of his five-nation tour of South America.

The GATT conference, attended by more than 100 countries, broke down Friday over the EC's refusal to cut its subsidies for farmers to the extent demanded by the United States and other countries.

"This is all the more disappointing given the very constructive attitude taken by many developing countries, particularly many of our friends in Latin America," Mr. Bush added.

The United States remains "committed to maintaining and strengthening the multilateral trading system and to a timely and successful conclusion" of the current round of global trade talks, Mr. Bush said.

Washington would do all it can "to bring this about while continuing to insist upon agreements that genuinely liberalize trade," he added.

"Accordingly it is our hope that participants, especially the EC, will take this opportunity to reflect upon their position on agriculture and develop the political will to negotiate real market-opening agreements while there is still time to do so," Mr. Bush said.

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#90341d6970 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PHOENIX, Arizona (DEC. 7) - The Phoenix Suns acquired all-star forward Xavier McDaniel from the Seattle Supersonics here Friday in exchange for forward Eddie Johnson and two first-round draft choices.

McDaniel, a five-year veteran, has averaged 21.8 points per game in 15 games this season, while Johnson, in his 10th season, is averaging 13.5 points per game.

Phoenix, which reached Western Conference finals last year, has won only eight of their first 15 games so far this season.

Seattle, struggling with a record of 5-10, will get Phoenix's first-round draft pick next year, along with a first-round selection in either 1993 or 1994.

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#90341d6990 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OTTAWA (DEC. 7) - Fossil remains of a sea anemone that may have lived more than 600 million years ago -- possibly the oldest traces of animal life on Earth -- have been uncovered in northern Canada, a magazine reported.

The find by Canadian geologists and paleontologists in the Northwest Territories could be of major importance because its calls into question the theory that the first animal life forms on Earth emerged after the Ice Age, Geology magazine said in its December edition.

"It very dramatically upsets the apple cart. The structures we're describing are very simple," said paleontologist Guy Narbonne, a professor at Queen's University in Toronto. He was one of three men who found the fossils.

The fossil remains were found in 1989 under glacial deposits in the Mackenzie Mountains by Mr. Narbonne and geologists Hans Hofmann and James Aitken of the Geological Service in Montreal.

According to Mr. Narbonne, the anemones were roundish, grape-sized, multi-celled creatures that lived in muddy sea bottoms that geological upheaval turned into mountain ranges 20 million to 40 million years ago. The anemones shared their habitat with microscopic organisms and small plants.

Mr. Narbonne acknowledged that the discovery will not be unanimously accepted in the scientific community.

Nevertheless, Harvard University professor Andy Knoll, who heads an international committee that studys the pre-Cambrian period, gave the find his backing.

"I'll support their interpretation that these are older than the oldest standard record of animal fossils," Mr. Knoll said.

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#90341d7020 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 8) - Britain's Conservative Party has surged ahead of the opposition Labour Party in popularity and is now leading by eight points, according to results of a composite opinion poll announced by the BBC on Friday.

According to the BBC's "poll of polls," 47 per cent of those questioned said they supported the ruling Conservatives compared to 39 per cent for the Labour Party.

Last month, before Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was ousted and replaced by John Major, the same poll gave a 14-point lead to the opposition party.

The poll is a synthesis of six separate opinion polls. The latest one was taken between November 21, the day after Mrs. Thatcher was forced into a second-round ballot for leadership of the Conservative Party, and December 3, nearly a week after Mr. Major took over.

The continued decline of the Conservative Party in the opinion polls after more than 11 years in power was one of the factors prompting the party revolt which led to Mrs. Thatcher's resignation in November.

The composite poll showed the centrist Liberal Democrats with 10 per cent of the vote, down from 14 per cent a month ago.

Support for the Green Party slipped two points, from four to two per cent.

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#90341d7030 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (DEC. 7) - A bus carrying children on a school field trip in southern Peru plunged into a ravine Friday, killing at least seven and injuring 33, police said.

The bus, which had 50 people aboard including students and teachers, apparently overturned after suffering an unspecified mechanical failure, the police said.

Six of the wounded children were in serious condition and had to be taken to Lima for specialized medical attention.

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#90341d7080 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CANCUN, Mexico (DEC. 7) - Oil-producing nations not belonging to the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) ended a two-day meeting here Friday expressing concern about the impact of the Gulf crisis on the world oil market.

The parley brought together representatives of Angola, Colombia, China, Egypt, Mexico, Norway, Oman, the Soviet Union, Malaysia and Yemen as well as from the U.S. states of Texas and Alaska and the Canadian province of Alberta.

These independent oil-exporting nations or areas together produce nearly 23 million barrels of oil a day.

In a joint communique, they said that, with an end of the Gulf crisis triggered by the August 2 invasion of Kuwait, excess oil production and a world economic slump could weaken the oil market in the first quarter of next year.

The participants also agreed to strengthen cooperation with OPEC to assess the future of the oil market, the communique said.

OPEC Secretary-General Dr. Subroto, who attended the final session of the conference, restated OPEC's commitment to closer ties with independent

oil-exporting nations.

He announced that the next OPEC ministerial meeting, scheduled for Wednesday in Vienna, would approve creation of a joint working group to set up a data bank and standardize criteria to calculate production and exports.

The independent oil exporters agreed to hold their next meeting in Egypt early next June.

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#90341d7110 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 8) - A man was arrested Friday evening in the grounds of Buckingham Palace, London home of the British royal family, and has been charged with "going equipped for criminal damage," a police spokesman said.

Eugene Derek Smith, an Irish man of no fixed abode, is to appear before Bow Street magistrates Saturday morning, police said.

Mr. Smith was arrested earlier after setting off intruder alarms as he climbed over the Palace wall.

The Duke and Duchess of York were the only members of the royal family present at the Palace at the time. Police said they were in no danger.

In 1982, Michael Fagan, an unemployed painter, broke into the Queen's bedroom in the Palace. He sat on her bed and chatted with the Queen for half an hour before anyone came to her aid.

Since then millions of pounds have been spent on improving security at royal homes. But break-ins have continued, and earlier this year an Iranian was intercepted twice in the grounds of Kensington palace, home of the Prince and Princess of Wales.

Last year, detectives posing as IRA suspects exposed gaps in the security system by getting into Buckingham Palace.

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#90341d7120 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) - The United States has decided to speed up distribution of military aid to El Salvador because of a surge in attacks by leftist rebels the State Department said Friday.

The department said in a written statement that it was also studying the rebel offensive, including the guerrillas' use of Soviet-made surface-to-air missiles and what the administration called their "inflexibility" in peace talks, to see if military aid withheld by Congress should be released.

Congress had cut military aid to El Salvador to 42.5 million dollars from a planned 85 million in fiscal 1991. The move was aimed in part at showing displeasure with suspected military involvement in the November 1989 murder of six Jesuit priests and two other people at a San Salvador university campus.

The aid withheld could be released if the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) launches an offensive that threatens to topple the government of President Alfredo Cristiani.

A total of 48.1 million dollars will be released to "allow the Salvadoran Government to replace equipment damaged in the recent guerrilla attacks, especially aircraft lost to surface-to-air missiles," the statement said.

Some 33.7 million dollars in the accelerated aid comes from the 1991 budget and 10.6 million dollars from money left over from the 1990 appropriation.

The rebels have shot down two airplanes and a helicopter since launching what they called a limited offensive two weeks ago. The attacks were part of a strategy to shore up their position in stalled talks with the government,the guerrillas said.

"We would much prefer to apply our aid toward peace," the State Department said. "However, the FMLN's recent attacks show that the guerrillas have not yet abandoned the idea of a military victory. Until they do, we will continue our military assistance to the Salvadoran Government."

U.N.-sponsored peace talks have deadlocked over rebel demands for a dismantling of the Salvadoran armed forces and trials for military personnel they acuse of human rights abuses.

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#90341d7200 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 8) - France is to check for radioactivity off a nuclear testing site in the Pacific and hand its samples over for independent analysis, after the environmental group Greenpeace said it found marine organisms in the area to be contaminated, officials said here Friday.

A Defense Ministry statement said samples would be taken as soon as possible in the area where the Greenpeace vessel Rainbow Warrior II had taken its own samples, off the Mururoa atoll in French Polynesia.

The samples would then be submitted to an "internationally recognized laboratory" for tests, the communique said.

Greenpeace activists aboard the Rainbow Warrior II said traces of the radioactive isotopes caesium-134 and cobalt-60 had been found in plankton taken

20 kilometers (12 miles) off Mururoa atoll.

The French Defense Ministry said that the Greenpeace analyses had been completed in "a suprisingly short time, given the usual complex procedures" of such testing.

It said the Greenpeace announcement stood in "formal contradiction with the results of very numerous tests regularly conducted by the French authorities."

The ministry rejected a Greenpeace offer to French Atomic Energy Commission scientists to check the results of its tests, because of the "uncertainty over the way the samples were taken."

Greenpeace has said it also plans to take plankton samples off Fangataufa atoll, another French nuclear testing site near Mururoa.

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#90341d7210 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 8) - In spite of the Gulf crisis and the resulting oil price explosion, the world economy is expected to remain on a "positive trend" thanks to continuing strong growth in Germany and Japan, an official of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development said here Friday.

Speaking after presiding a two-day meeting of top OECD officials at the organisation's headquarters here, Germany's Hans Tietmeyer said that there was still "a certain floor to economic activity," thanks to "strong autonomous growth in Japan and Germany."

Mr. Tietmeyer, who is the number-two executive in the German Bundesbank, conceded that there were "uneven situations" among the OECD's 24 member states.

He outlined three different groups of countries, of which one comprised states "close to recession," such as Britain, Canada and the United States.

In another group, including Belgium, Germany and Japan, growth was accelerating, while in an intermediate group of countries, growth was going on at "a little bit slower pace."

On recent changes in exchange rates, the central bank official said that most of his colleagues in the OECD meeting were "of the opinion that till now the development (has been) orderly."

"Some felt the dollar may already be too weak but all agree that we have to monitor closely the further development and that the cooperation has to be maintained," Mr. Tietmeyer said.

"Some expressed the view that there could be some room for further

appreciation of the yen," he added.

On inflation, he stressed that "the battle is not over."

"Further vigilance is necessary... There is no case for a relaxation of monetary policies, even in the strong countries where the inflation rate till now is under control, but there is a booming demand."

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#90341d7260 12/07/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) - The aircraft carrier USS Ranger and seven escort ships are to leave their California ports for the Gulf on Saturday, the Pentagon announced Friday.

The Ranger will join three other carriers already backing Operation Desert Shield, launched after the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. After Christmas, they will be joined by the USS America and the USS Theodore Roosevelt.

The new deployment brings the total number of U.S. ships in the region to more than 80.

The naval deployment is the largest since World War II. It includes six aircraft carriers, two battleships, missile cruisers, destroyers, frigates and supply ships, all patrolling the Gulf, the Arabian Sea and the Red Sea.

Analysts say submarines will likely augment the force. Usually one or two submarines travel with aircraft carriers to protect them and reconnoiter for them.

The Defense Department said that some members of the 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment have arrived in Saudi Arabia from their base in Nuremberg, Germany. The regiment numbers about 5,000, but the Pentagon has declined to say how many have arrived.

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#90341e0004 12/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SEOUL (DEC. 7) EFE - An official North Korean newspaper Friday accused South Korea of trying to destroy developing relations between the two countries by building up an alliance of its own with the Soviet Union.

South Korean President Roh Tae Wu's visit this week to the Soviet Union where he signed trade and investment accords with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev was evidence of this, Pyongyang daily Rodong Sinmun said.

North Korea, a long-standing Soviet ally but increasingly isolated by reforms in the communist world, has proposed a joint seat for the two Koreas in the

United Nations, with the representation alternating between North and South.

But the newspaper said Friday that U.S.-backed South Korea had bought friendship with the Soviet Union. Seoul promised aid and cash in exchange for diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union, which were established in September to the annoyance of Pyongyang.

Now Seoul was seeking Soviet support for its independent entry into the United Nations, the newspaper said.

More outbursts from the North on its neighbor's relations with Moscow could endanger the third meeting between the prime ministers of North and South Korea slated for next week in Seoul, observers said.

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#90341e0006 12/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (DEC 7) EFE - Two Colombian Army officers accused of stealing an estimated dlrs nine million from a dead drug baron's ranch were officially kicked out of the Army Friday.

Maj. Dario Pacheco and Capt. Alvaro Uscategui, were believed to have run off with the money after their brigade found the booty in August at a ranch formerly owned by Gonzalo Rodriguez Gacha, the late military chief of the Medellin cocaine cartel.

The two men have not been seen since.

Rodriguez Gacha, known as El Mexicano, died in a shootout with Army and Police last December. In all some dlrs 42 million in cash and 160 gold bars was found hidden on his property.

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#90341e0007 12/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC 7) EFE - With Palestinians preparing to mark the third anniversary of their "intifada" uprising Sunday, Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens warned of a crackdown if Arabs resort to using guns in the Occupied Territories.

The security forces will match "fire with fire," he said Thursday after visiting the scene of a gun attack the previous day in which three Israelis were wounded on a bus.

His warning came as Israel announced curfews for Sunday in much of the Occupied Territories, including the Gaza Strip, the towns of Nablus, Jenin and Hebron and several Palestinian refugee camps on the West Bank.

Palestinians have called a 48-hour general strike to begin Saturday, which will also commemorate the killing of 17 Palestinians by security forces in East Jerusalem two months earlier.

More than 1,000 Palestinians and some 50 Jews have been killed in the intifada.

Nearly 300 of the dead Palestinians were killed by fellow Arabs for allegedly collaborating with Israeli security forces.

The deputy mayor of Al Bire on the outskirts of Jerusalem was stabbed and seriously injured Thursday night. Arab sources said he was an Israeli collaborator.

Palestinians have usually restricted themselves to stabbings and throwing stones at security forces and civilians during the three-year-old intifada.

But Israeli state radio said Army officers were worried that militants could use the anniversary to step up the intifada by using guns more often.

Observers said next week's meeting in Washington between Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and U.S. President George Bush, and planned talks between the United States and Iraq on the Gulf crisis, might also prompt the Palestinians to take up arms in the Occupied Territories.

Several countries are pressing for the Palestinian question to be included in a United Nations-organized international peace conference on the Middle East, which would deal with Iraq's August invasion of Kuwait.

But Shamir said during a Thursday stop-over in London on his way to meet Bush that his government would not participate in such a conference.

"I don't believe that a foreign organization (the U.N.) can determine the destiny of the Israeli people," Shamir said.

Meanwhile, unconfirmed reports from Cairo said that U.N. Deputy General Secretary Jean Claude Aimee is expected to begin his long-awaited visit next week to investigate the plight of Palestinians living under Israeli control.

The Israeli press estimates that militant Palestinians have secret caches of some 10,000 weapons, which Army officers believe could soon be in use.

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#90341e0010 12/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WARSAW (DEC 7) EFE - Lech Walesa, the trade union hero who toppled communism, was set to win Sunday's runoff presidential elections in Poland although there were signs that his once enormous popularity was fading.

Opinion polls still put him well ahead of candidate Stanislaw Tyminski, an emigre self-made millionaire and total stranger to the Polish political scene until two months ago.

Tyminski was the dark horse in the November 25 first round poll, a three-cornered struggle which included outgoing Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki.

But in a surprise result Tyminski, who has promised to sweep away austerity and convert Poland into a land of milk and honey, edged Mazowiecki out. The second poll is being held because none of the candidates, including Walesa who came first with 39.36 of the vote, obtained an absolute majority.

After the first flush of success, Tyminski was publicly accused of having links with former communist leaders and reports appeared in the Polish press suggesting that he had a murky past despite his success as an electronics businessman in Canada and Peru.

At a campaign rally earlier this week he was booed off the rostrum to chants of "KGB, KGB," which appeared to accuse him of past connections with the Soviet security police.

Some opponnents describe him as irresponsible and "mentally sick."

But Walesa can take little comfort from his rival's difficulties. Although forecast to sweep Sunday's poll with about 70 per cent of the poll, only 16 million of the 27 million eligible voters are expected to turn out.

Political observers said the high rate of absenteeisim -- 17 million voted in the first round -- reflected growing skepticism that Walesa was capable of solving deep economic problems.

"It is the end of the Walesa myth," said one, who pointed out that Walesa would be chosen by only 24 per cent of the electorate.

Critics say the problem lies in the weak aspect of his program which lacks concrete proposals for solving Poland's problems.

He has also contradicted himself in poorly-delivered campaign speeches which used over-simplified language, they say.

Observers noted that most of Walesa's votes in the first round came from the less-developed eastern and southeastern rural regions of Poland and not from the industrial cities, his traditional power base.

Walesa became a national hero when he created the Solidarity trade union movement in the port city of Gdansk 10 years ago and went on to oust the Communist government last year to set Poland on course for transformation to a

free market, democratic society.

Associates accused him of wanting to be a "populist dictator president" after he announced he was standing for the presidency against Mazowiecki, a former protege who had gained prestige at home and abroad for his democratic reforms.

Mazowiecki has reluctantly thrown his support behind Walesa in Sunday's vote, calling him the "lesser of two evils."

Urging his followers to vote for Walesa, the prime minister said: "This doesn't mean I endorse his ideas or his style of politics, but there are situations in which we have to make a distasteful choice to stave off an even greater danger."

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#90341e0021 12/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SANTIAGO (DEC 7) EFE - The pro-ecology group Greenpeace on Friday welcomed the shift in attitude at the recent meeting of Antarctic Treaty nations, but criticized the refusal of some members to approve plans to ban mining in the world's pristine southern wilderness.

"This meeting began with a number of countries arguing there was no concensus to prohibit mineral exploitation, and it finished with such prohibition as a starting point for the future round of talks," said Greenpeace spokesman Paul Bogart.

But some nations still failed to see the crucial need to control marine pollution or protect the Antarctic's flora and fauna, Bogart said.

The 18-day Antarctic Treaty meeting ended in Vina del Mar on Thursday with agreement on a draft of resolutions to protect the Antarctic's frozen wastelands.

The draft protocol will form the basis of the next round of talks, to be held in Madrid in April.

But proposals backed by Australia and France to declare Antarctica a wilderness reserved only for scientists and where mineral extraction would be banned forever were not approved.

Nor did the 200 delegates from 32 nations and several non- governmental organizations agree to impose a specific moratorium on mining, although they said such activity would be prohibited "for a long period of time."

Several industrialized nations, led by Britain and Japan, have argued that a mineral-exploitation option in Antarctica should be kept open for the future.

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#90341e0026 12/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MOSCOW (DEC 7) EFE - The Soviet republic of Armenia will not attend a Congress of People's Deputies session this month to discuss the controversial new Treaty of the Union which aims to redefine relations between Moscow and the 15 republics, newspapers in the republic reported Friday.

They published a statement to President Mikhail Gorbachev from the republic's deputies saying they would not attend the next session of the congress, the Soviet Union's highest legislative body, which opens December 17.

Radio Moscow's Interfax service said the decision to boycott the session was approved at a meeting of Armenian deputies called to discuss the signing of the new federal treaty.

Gorbachev has drawn up the treaty in a bid to prevent the break up of the Soviet Union, which has been swept by a wave of independence movements pressing for varying degrees of autonomy.

Armenian deputies said the proposed treaty ran counter to the interests of the Transcaucasian republic which has already declared the sovereignty of its laws over those of the Soviet Union, Interfax reported.

The deputies also called on Soviet authorities to lift the state of emergency and to reestablish civilian power in the disputed Nagorno-Karabakh region which belongs to the neighboring republic of Azerbaijan but is populated mainly by Armenians.

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#90341e0027 12/07/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
SOFIA (DEC 7) EFE - Bulgarian caretaker Prime Minister Dimitar Popov said Friday, hours after lawmakers elected him to the post, that he wanted to soften the harsh economic reforms begun under former communist premier Andrei Lukanov, who resigned last week.

"In economics one has to act with reasonable and useful measures. I do not want a cruel future for Bulgaria, although our program will be difficult enough and surrounded by problems,"

It was Popov's first public statement since the Bulgarian parliament earlier Friday elected him to head a caretaker government that will lead the country to fresh elections next year.

Only 15 deputies in the 400-seat Grand National Assembly voted against Popov to replace Lukanov, whose Socialist government resigned last week under the pressure of a general strike and mounting opposition protests.

Popov, 63, now has a week to form a government which satisfies both the communist majority and the opposition.

"I will not form a provisional government but a strong government, made up of politicians competent in their ministerial posts as well as people of great social prestige, not militants in parliamentary forces," Popov said.

He said municipal elections would be held between the end of February and the beginning of March, to be followed by general elections in May or June of 1991.

Popov, who does not belong to any political party, presided over the Central Electoral Commission during Bulgaria's first free elections last June following the ouster of hardline Communist dictator Todor Zhivkov a year ago.

Popov promised to do everything in his power to improve the country's economic situation.

"I do not fear criticism, but you have to keep in mind that we have little time, between five or six months. I hope my government survives until then, but the idea that my (economic) experiment might fail does not overwhelm me," Popov said.

Despite winning a 10-seat majority in parliament in June elections, Lukanov's government formed by ex-communists saw its popularity slump in the face of serious food shortages and a worsening economic crisis.

Popov said his main task would be to stop the economy's "free-fall into an abyss" and promised a government "of hope but not one of miracles."

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#90341f1956 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended December 7:

	High	Low	Close	Net change	
Composite	181.99	176.25	179.07	up	3.01
Industrial	224.32	218.15	221.18	up	3.34
Transportation	144.61	136.20	142.27	up	7.25
Utilities	92.23	90.72	91.28	up	0.60
Finance	126.88	117.88	122.05	up	4.73

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What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Dce 7, 1990	107	177	1285	656	241	2182
Nov 30, 1990	60	205	1251	651	274	2176
Dec 8, 1989	190	126	859	966	290	2115
Dec 9, 1988	100	77	1087	763	313	2163

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#90341h0008 12/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BOGOTA (DEC. 6) XINHUA - A HELICOPTER BELONGING TO THE COMPANY AEROEXPRESSO BOGOTA HK 3563 WAS STOLEN WEDNESDAY BY AN UNIDENTIFIED COMMANDO AFTER IT LANDED AT THE AIRPORT OF EL MARFIL IN THE JURISDICTION OF PUERTO BOYACA.

THE DO 105-TYPE CHOPPER, PILOTED BY CAPTAIN WILLIAM JARAMILLO, HAD JUST ARRIVED FROM THE CAPITAL WHEN A GROUP OF SIX HEAVILY- ARMED MEN FORCED THE CREW TO FLY THEM TO THE AREA OF PUERTO ROMERO WITH THREATS OF DEATH.

THE LOCAL PRESS REVEALED TODAY THAT COLOMBIAN ARMY UNITS WHO WERE IN THE AREA STARTED TO SEARCH FOR THE GROUP.

ACCORDING TO INITIAL REPORTS FROM THE INTELLIGENCE SERVICES, THE ATTEMPT WAS CARRIED OUT BY MEMBERS OF SELF-DEFENSE GROUPS THAT OPERATE IN THE REGION OF MAGDALENA MEDIO.

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#90341h0028 12/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (DEC. 7) XINHUA - U.S. TRADE OFFICIALS HAVE DEMANDED TALKS WITH THAILAND TO DISCUSS WASHINGTON'S DECISION TO RESTRICT THE IMPORTS OF FOUR TEXTILE AND APPAREL PRODUCTS FROM THAILAND.

THE THAI FOREIGN TRADE DEPARTMENT SAID HERE THURSDAY THAT IT WAS INFORMED BY THE THAI EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON THAT THE U.S. COMMERCE DEPARTMENT HAD DECIDED TO IMPOSE IMPORT QUOTAS ON FOUR TEXTILE AND CLOTHING ITEMS FROM THAILAND, REASONING THAT THAI TEXTILE EXPORTS TO THE U.S. HAVE AFFECTED ITS LOCAL TEXTILE INDUSTRY.

THE U.S. DECISION INVOLVES IMPORT FROM THAILAND OF MEN'S AND BOYS' COATS MADE FROM COTTON AND MAN-MADE FIBER, WOMEN'S AND GIRLS' COATS MADE FROM COTTON AND MAN-MADE FIBER, COTTON TOWELS AND WOVEN FABRICS MADE OF 85 PERCENT OR MORE ARTIFICIAL STAPLE FIBER, THE DEPARTMENT SAID.

THE AMERICANS WANTED TO IMPOSE TEMPORARY IMPORT RESTRICTIONS BETWEEN NOVEMBER 30, 1990 TO NOVEMBER 29, 1991 DURING WHICH TIME BILATERAL TALKS CAN BE HELD TO SETTLE THE IMPORT DISPUTE, THE DEPARTMENT SAID.

THAILAND'S BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES EXPIRED AT THE

END OF 1988. SEVERAL ATTEMPTS TO ESTABLISH A NEW ACCORD HAVE FAILED.

AFTER THE AGREEMENT EXPIRED IN 1988, THE U.S. HAS BEEN CALLING FOR BILATERAL TALKS IN SUCCESSION IN A BID TO MOUNT PRESSURE ON THE THAI SIDE TO AGREE TO ITS TEXTILE PROPOSAL AND CUT EXPORT QUOTAS TO THE U.S., WHICH PUT THAILAND IN A DISADVANTAGEOUS POSITION, THE DEPARTMENT SAID.

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#90341h0049 12/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ATHENS (DEC. 7) XINHUA - THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT HAS RESPONDED POSITIVELY TO GREECE'S IDEA FOR A GREEK-SOVIET FRIENDSHIP PACT, REPORTS HERE SAID TODAY.

GREEK GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN VYRON POLYDORAS RECENTLY SAID THAT THE GREEK SIDE WISHED TO SIGN A FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION PACT WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

RESPONDING TO POLYDORAS' PROPOSAL, THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SAID IN A STATEMENT THAT THE SOVIET UNION SUPPORTS THE GREEK LEADER'S CONSTRUCTIVE IDEA, WHICH MEETS THE NATURAL INTERESTS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES.

THE SIGNING OF SUCH AN AGREEMENT WOULD BE IN LINE WITH THE DIRECTIONS OF THE POSITIVE PROCESSES TAKING PLACE IN EUROPE AND WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF BILATERAL GREEK-SOVIET RELATIONS, THE STATEMENT SAID.

IN RECENT YEARS, GREECE AND THE SOVIET UNION REPORTEDLY HAVE DEVOTED MUCH ATTENTION TO STRENGTHENING THEIR RELATIONS IN THE FORM OF AGREEMENTS, AND THE QUICKEST POSSIBLE DRAFTING AND SIGNING OF OFFICIAL TEXTS CAN GIVE IMPETUS TO THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF SOVIET-GREEK COOPERATION.

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#90341h0060 12/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (DEC. 7) XINHUA - THE TANZANIAN GOVERN- MENT IS PLANNING TO RESTRUCTURE STATE-OWNED FIRMS SO THAT THEY WOULD OPERATE COMMERCIALLY.

THE PLAN WAS DISCLOSED HERE TODAY BY THE VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, KIGHOMA MALIMA, AT A SYMPOSIUM ON RESTRUCTURING THE PARASTATALS OF THE EAST AFRICAN COUNTRY.

HE SAID THE INITIAL STEP OF THE PLAN IS TO ALTER THE SITUATION UNDER WHICH THOSE FIRMS RELY ON STATE FUNDING AND HAVE BEEN LOSS MAKING.

THE TANZANIAN GOVERNMENT ESTABLISHED SOME 407 COMPANIES, FACTORIES AND ORGANISATIONS IN 1967 IN THE WAKE OF THE NATIONALISA- TION MOVEMENT BUT MOST OF THEM HAVE BEEN LOSS MAKINGKKGZL MR. MALIMA SAID THE PARASTATALS HAVE FAILED TO ACHIEVE THEIR BASIC OBJECTIVES DUE TO MISMANAGEMENT, BUREAUCRACY AND OUTDATED TECHNOLOGY.

HE NOTED THAT DURING THE PAST 23 YEARS, THE STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISES HAVE BECOME MORE AND MORE DEPENDENT ON GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIES FOR THEIR SURVIVAL.

HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT WOULD ADOPT A STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISE POLICY, UNDER WHICH NON-VIABLE ENTERPRISES WILL BE CLOSED AND THE PROFIT-MAKING ONES SUPPORTED.

THE VICE CHAIRMAN ALSO SAID THAT THE PROFIT-MAKING PARASTATALS WOULD ACHIEVE DESERVING FREEDOM TO RUN THEIR BUSINESS ON COMME- RCIAL BASIS.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME FOR THE GOVERNMENT TO ENCOURAGE COM- PETITIONS AMONG THE STATE-OWNED FIRMS.

ACCORDING TO MR. MALIMA, TANZANIA'S PARASTATALS LOST AT LEAST 32 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS DURING THE 1987-88 FISCAL YEAR, WHILE THE COUNTRY'S ANNUAL FOREIGN CURRENCY EARNINGS WERE ONLY 400 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

THE GOVERNMENT COULD NO LONGER TOLERATE THE SITUATION, HE WARRNED. THE RESTRUCTURING PLAN IS THE OUTCOME OF A DEBATE ON THE FUTURE OF THE PARASTATALS ORGANISED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND THE RULING REVOLUTIONARY PARTY TWO MONTHS AGO.

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DAR ES SALAAM (DEC. 7) XINHUA - FOREIGN INVESTORS COMING TO TANZANIA HAVE BEEN WARNED NOT TO SEEK TO WITHHOLD FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS AS MUCH AS THEY CAN LAY THEIR HANDS ON.

A WEEKLY PUBLICATION "BUSINESS TIME" ISSUED HERE TODAY QUOTED DIRECTOR OF THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT ALI MNYIKA AS SAYING THAT THE TANZANIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD TAKE THE MATTER SERIOUSLY.

ACCORDING TO AN INVESTIGATION BY THE DEPARTMENT, ABOUT 90 PERCENT OF THE FOREIGNERS WHO APPLY TO INVEST IN TANZANIA ARE "ONLY INTERESTED IN BUILDING UP THEIR OWN FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVES" INSTEAD OF ASSISTING THE EAST AFRICAN COUNTRY.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SAID THAT TANZANIA HAD RECEIVED 212 FOREIGN INVESTMENT APPLICATIONS BY SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR, OUT OF WHICH 43 HAVE GOT FULL APPROVAL WHILE THE REST ARE STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION.

THE DIRECTOR NOTED THAT ONLY A HANDFUL OF FOREIGN APPLICANTS HAD GENUINE DESIRE TO INVEST IN THE EAST AFRICAN NATION.

THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TWO DAYS AGO THAT 26 FOREIGNERS ENGAGING IN ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN DEPORTED FROM THE COUNTRY SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THIS YEAR.

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KUALA LUMPUR (DEC. 7) XINHUA - CHINESE PREMIER LI PENG IS TO PAY A FOUR-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO MALAYSIA STARTING NEXT MONDAY TO EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH MALAYSIAN LEADERS ON BILATERAL, REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ISSUES.

A STATEMENT ISSUED ON THURSDAY BY THE MALAYSIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY SAID THAT THE CHINESE PREMIER WILL LEAD A 49-MEMBER DELEGATION WHICH WILL INCLUDE FOREIGN MINISTER QIAN QICHEN.

DURING THE VISIT, LI PENG WILL HOLD TALKS WITH HIS MALAYSIAN COUNTERPART MAHATHIR MOHAMMED ON BILATERAL RELATIONS, ESPECIALLY TRADE AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION, SAID THE STATEMENT.

LI PENG WILL ALSO HAVE AN AUDIENCE WITH SULTAN AZLAN SHAH (THE KING OF MALAYSIA).

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#90341h0086 12/07/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LAIZHOU (DEC. 7) XINHUA - CHINA'S GOLD INDUSTRY WILL RELY ON ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY AND PURSUE APPROPRIATE SCALED MANAGEMENT DURING THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

XU DAQUAN, VICE-MINISTER OF THE METALLURGICAL INDUSTRY, SAID THIS AT A MEETING ON GOLD PRODUCTION, WHICH OPENED HERE YESTERDAY.

CHINA WILL SET UP OR EXPAND 30 TO 40 LARGE-SCALE GOLD MINES IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, SAID XU, WHO IS ALSO DIRECTOR OF THE STATE GOLD ADMINISTRATIVE BUREAU.

HE NOTED THAT TECHNICAL INNOVATIONS, WHICH ARE CHARACTERIZED WITH SMALL INVESTMENT AND QUICK PROFIT, SERVE AS AN IMPORTANT WAY TO RAISE GOLD PRODUCTION.

IN THE ALLOTMENT OF TECHNICAL FUNDS, XU SAID THAT PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO LARGE AND KEY MINES, AND TO THOSE PROJECTS THAT HAVE LARGE PRODUCTION CAPACITIES.

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LAGOS (DEC. 7) XINHUA - NIGERIA AND BRITAIN HAVE AGREED TO COOPERATE IN FIGHTING DRUG TRAFFICKING, LOCAL PRESS REPORTS SAID TODAY.

THE REPORTS SAID AN INFORMAL AGREEMENT ON JOINT ANTI-DRUG OFFENSIVE WAS REACHED AT THE END OF A CLOSED-DOOR MEETING BETWEEN CHAIRMAN OF THE NIGERIAN NATIONAL DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY (NDLEA) FIDELIS OYAKHILOME AND VISITING HEAD OF THE INVESTIGATION DIVISION OF THE BRITISH CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DOUGLAS

TWEDDLE.

THE TWO COUNTRIES AGREED TO EMPLOY "CONTROL DELIVERY" TECHNI- QUES IN FISHING OUT DRUG BARONS BEHIND THE DRUG TRAFFICKING TRADE.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT, THE TWO COUNTRIES WILL COOPERATE IN TRA- CING, FREEZING AND CONFISTICATING ASSETS OF DRUG BARONS AND THEIR COURIERS.

IN A PRESS RELEASE YESTERDAY, NDLEA SOLICITED THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT FOR COOPERATION IN THE PUBLICATION OF NAMES AND PHOTOGRAPHES OF THE NIGERIANS CONVICTED OF DRUG OFFENCES IN BRITAIN.

EARLIER REPORTS SAID THAT WITH THE ASSISTANCE FROM BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES, THE NDLEA HAS SUCCESSFULLY CARRIED OUT ANTI-DRUG OPERATIONS AT THE COUNTRY'S MAJOR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS.

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SHANGHAI (DEC. 7) XINHUA - THE INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL BANK OF CHINA WILL INVEST FIVE BILLION YUAN IN SHANGHAI'S ECONOMIC CONSTRUCTION, THE SHANGHAI-BASED PAPER "LIBERATION DAILY" REPORTS.

ALL BRANCHES OF THE BANK LOCATED ACROSS CHINA WILL FUND THE INVESTMENT, WHICH WILL BE PROVIDED WITHIN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, SAID ZHANG XIAO, THE DIRECTOR OF THE BANK.

HE MADE THESE COMMENTS WHILE LEADING THE BANK'S SURVEY GROUP ON A FIVE-DAY TOUR OF SHANGHAI, THE LARGEST INDUSTRIAL CITY IN CHINA.

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LAGOS (DEC. 7) XINHUA - NIGERIAN PRESIDENT IBRAHIM BABANGIDA HAS VOICED FULL SUPPORT FOR A CONCERTED EFFORT TOWARDS EVOLVING AND ADOPTING A NATIONAL LANGUAGE OR LANGUAGES TO FURTHER ENHANCE THE CULTURAL, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC INTEGRATION OF THIS COUNTRY.

CONFERRING THIS YEAR'S NATIONAL MERIT AWARD ON PROFESSOR AYO BAMGBOSE, A LINGUIST, AT THE STATE HOUSE IN LAGOS THURSDAY, THE PRESIDENT STRESSED THE NEED TO WORK MORE ASSIDUOUSLY TOWARDS MEETING THE NATION'S DESIRE TO EVOLVE, BY ADOPTING OR SELECTING THROUGH A CONSENSUS, A NATIONAL LANGUAGE OR LANGUAGES AS MOTHER TONGUE.

NIGERIA, THE MOST POPULOUS NATION IN AFRICA, HAS SOME 250 TRIBES WITH AS MANY AS 400 LANGUAGES WITHIN ITS BORDERS. EVOLVING A NATIONAL LARGUAGE OR LANGUAGES AS MOTHER TONGUE HAS BEEN A THORNY ISSUE WHICH DREW A HEATED DEBATE IN THE PAST MONTHS.

AT PRESENT, ENGLISH IS THE OFFICIAL LANGUAGE OF THE FEDERATION.

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WINDHOEK (DEC. 7) XINHUA - NAMIBIA WILL HOST AN INTER- NATINAL CONFERENCE OF THE ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN EUROPEAN PAR- LIAMENTS FOR ACTION AGAINST APARTHEID (AWEPAA) IN APRIL NEXT YEAR.

THIS WAS ANNOUNCED BY DR. MOSE TJITENDERO, SPEAKER OF THE NA- MIBIAN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE TODAY.

SPEAKING OF THE WORK THE NAMIBIAN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY HAS DONE DURING ITS NINE MONTHS' EXISTENCE, TJITENDERO SAID THE NAMIBIAN PARLIAMENT HAS BECOME A MEMBER OF THE COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION AND THE INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION.

HE SAID NAMIBIAN PARLIAMENTARIANS HAVE ATTENDED VARIOUS IN- TERNATIONAL CONFERENCES, WHICH INCLUDED THE UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY SESSION, AWEPAA CONFERENCES HELD IN ZIMBABWE AND SOME EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION MEE- TING, GLOBAL PARLIAMENTARIANS' CONFERENCE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT AND THE 84TH CONFERENCE OF THE INTER-PARLIAMEN- TARY UNION.

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OSAKA (DEC. 7) KYODO - KANSAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CO. SAID FRIDAY IT HAS SET A NEW COMPLETION TARGET FOR THE NEW KANSAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AT THE SUMMER OF 1994, MORE THAN ONE YEAR LATER THAN ITS ORIGINAL PLAN.

THE NEW PLAN, SET AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH THE CONSTRUCTION MINISTRY, WILL FORMALLY BE ADOPTED AFTER A COMPANY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING NEXT WEDNESDAY AND A RELATED SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP) ON DECEMBER 14, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE OPENING OF THE MULTIBILLION DOLLAR AIRPORT, NOW BEING BUILT ON A MAN-MADE ISLAND IN OSAKA BAY, WESTERN JAPAN, HAS BEEN DELAYED PARTLY BECAUSE OF DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED CONSTRUCTION WORK.

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS, CONSTRUCTION OF THE TERMINAL BUILDING, THE PART MOST DELAYED DUE TO THE DIFFICULTIES, COULD BE COMPLETED SOME TIME BETWEEN MARCH AND JUNE 1994 IF THEY START ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION IN MARCH NEXT YEAR.

THEY SAID, HOWEVER, THEY WILL SET THE OPENING DATE AFTER WATCHING PROGRESS IN CONSTRUCTION WORK.

THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NATION'S FIRST 24-HOUR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT HAS BEEN HELD UP ALSO BECAUSE U.S. COMPANIES SEEKING AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS HAVE COMPLAINED THAT BIDDING PROCEDURES FOR THE AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS ARE NOT CLEAR.

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BONN (DEC. 7) KYODO - THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC) HAS DECIDED TO PROVIDE A SUBSIDY EQUAL TO SOME 1 BILLION YEN TO A SEMICONDUCTOR PLANT OF MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC CORP., NOW BEING CONSTRUCTED IN AACHEN, GERMANY, ACCORDING TO A JAPANESE SOURCE.

WHEN THE DECISION WAS MADE IN THE EC COMMISSION, SOME OPPONENTS ARGUED AGAINST GIVING A SUBSIDY TO THE PLANT BECAUSE IT IS OWNED BY A JAPANESE COMPANY, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE.

BUT THE OPPOSITION WAS OVERRULED BECAUSE THE PLANT, MITSUBISHI SEMICONDUCTOR EUROPE GMBH, MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR FOREIGN-OWNED FACTORIES, SUCH AS PROVIDING AMPLE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR LOCAL PEOPLE, THE SOURCE ADDED.

THE AACHEN AREA IS SUFFERING FROM SERIOUS UNEMPLOYMENT WITH THE DECLINE OF THE MINING INDUSTRY THERE, THE SOURCE SAID.

ACCORDING TO A MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC OFFICIAL IN TOKYO, CONSTRUCTION OF THE PLANT STARTED IN DECEMBER 1989 AND IT WILL BE COMPLETED BY EARLY 1992. ANNUAL PRODUCTION IS EXPECTED TO AMOUNT TO THE EQUIVALENT OF 42 BILLION YEN BY 1994, HE SAID.

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TOKYO, DEC. 7 KYODO - MAZDA MOTOR CORP. ANNOUNCED FRIDAY IT HAS SET UP A FOUNDATION IN MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, TO PROMOTE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND STUDIES ON THE PRESERVATION OF THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT.

ESTABLISHED TO COMMEMORATE THE CAR MANUFACTURER'S 30 YEARS OF BUSINESS IN AUSTRALIA, MAZDA FOUNDATION WAS INITIATED WITH A FUND OF 500,000 AUSTRALIAN DOLLARS. OFFICIALS SAID THAT, IN THE FUTURE, 10 DOLLARS WILL BE PUT INTO THE FOUNDATION FOR EVERY MAZDA CAR SOLD IN AUSTRALIA.

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TOKYO (DEC. 7) KYODO - A TOKYO-BASED SECURITIES FINANCE FIRM KNOWN AS HARVEST HAS FILED FOR BANKRUPTCY WITH THE TOKYO DISTRICT COURT, LEAVING LIABILITIES ESTIMATED AT 20 BILLION YEN, A PRIVATE CREDIT RESEARCH AGENCY SAID FRIDAY.

ACCORDING TO TEIKOKU DATA BANK LTD., "HARVEST," ESTABLISHED IN 1984 AND CAPITALIZED AT 60 MILLION YEN, HAD BEEN ENGAGED IN SPECULATIVE DEALING IN HONSHU PAPER CO. SHARES.

HONSHU'S PRICES BEGAN TO DECLINE IN AUGUST, BUT THE COMPANY FAILED TO COVER ITS POSITIONS, LEADING TO A SQUEEZE OF FUNDS. HONSHU STOCK QUOTED AT 3,660 YEN ON AUGUST 1 FINISHED AT 2,220 YEN ON FRIDAY.

THE BANKRUPTCY WAS THE FOURTH MAJOR CASE INVOLVED IN STOCK SPECULATION TRADING THIS YEAR, FOLLOWING "PARI" WITH THE LIABILITIES OF ABOUT 100 BILLION YEN, AND "AKEBONO KIKAKU" WITH ABOUT 90 BILLION YEN AND TOYO TSUSHO CO. WITH ABOUT 10 BILLION YEN.

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BANGKOK (DEC. 7) KYODO - THAILAND AND JAPAN'S OVERSEAS ECONOMIC COOPERATION FUND (OECF) ON FRIDAY CONCLUDED TWO NEW HIGHWAY LOAN PROJECTS WORTH A TOTAL OF MORE THAN 28 BILLION YEN.

THE AGREEMENT FOR THE TWO LOANS WAS SIGNED BY THAI FINANCE MINISTER VIRABONGSE RAMANGURA AND OECF PRESIDENT AKIRA NISHIGAKI, ACCORDING TO A FINANCE MINISTRY PRESS STATEMENT.

THE FIRST PROJECT LOAN OF 15.49 BILLION YEN WAS ALLOCATED FOR A FOUR-LANE, 83-KILOMETER BANGKOK-CHONBURI HIGHWAY.

THE SECOND PROJECT LOAN FOR 12.95 BILLION YEN WAS FOR AN EASTERN ZONE OUTER RING HIGHWAY OF BANGKOK, LINKING BANG PA-IN TO BANG-PLEE, BY A FOUR-LANE HIGHWAY, 62 KILOMETERS IN LENGTH, ACCORDING TO THE STATEMENT.

BOTH LOANS HAVE A 2.7 PERCENT INTEREST CHARGE, WITH REPAYMENT OVER 30 YEARS AND A 10-YEAR GRACE PERIOD, THE STATEMENT SAID.

THAILAND IS CURRENTLY THE FOURTH LARGEST RECIPIENT OF OECF SUPPORT AFTER INDONESIA, CHINA, AND THE PHILIPPINES. TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS TO THAILAND FROM THE OECF, INCLUDING THE TWO PROJECTS SIGNED FRIDAY, ARE WORTH 798.8 BILLION YEN.

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MANILA (DEC. 7) KYODO - PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO IS SET TO REPLACE HER CLOSEST CABINET AIDE, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY CATALINO MACARAIG, FOLLOWING A FUROR OVER RECENT OIL PRICE INCREASES, A TOP PRESIDENTIAL PALACE OFFICIAL SAID FRIDAY.

THE OFFICIAL, WHO ASKED NOT TO BE IDENTIFIED, SAID THAT AQUINO HAS ASKED

TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS SECRETARY OSCAR ORBOS TO VACATE HIS POST AS THE INITIAL STEP IN PREPARATION FOR MACARAIG'S OUSTER.

THE DECISION WAS APPARENTLY MADE DURING AN EMERGENCY CABINET MEETING CALLED BY AQUINO AT 6 P.M. FRIDAY.

EMERGING FROM THE CABINET CAUCUS, ORBOS DECLINED TO CONFIRM HIS APPOINTMENT IN MACARAIG'S PLACE BUT ASKED REPORTERS TO ''PLEASE HELP ME.'' HE DID NOT ELABORATE.

THE OFFICIAL DID NOT SAY WHEN AQUINO WOULD ANNOUNCE ORBOS' APPOINTMENT. BUT HE SAID THAT MACARAIG WOULD STAY ON UNTIL DECEMBER 31.

MACARAIG, WHO REPLACED JOKER ARROYO IN 1987, HAS BEEN ATTACKED IN THE MANILA PRESS FOR HIS HANDLING OF PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS.

ASIDE FROM BEING AQUINO'S EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, MACARAIG IS ALSO CHAIRMAN OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL OIL COMPANY, AND TWO PRESIDENTIAL ENERGY BODIES.

THE OFFICIAL SAID MACARAIG MAY BE APPOINTED TO THE SUPREME COURT TO REPLACE A WOMAN JUSTICE WHO RECENTLY RETIRED.

LAST WEDNESDAY'S SUBSTANTIAL FUEL INCREASES FIRED UP MACARAIG'S CRITICS ONCE MORE AFTER AQUINO HERSELF ADMITTED HAVING BEEN SURPRISED BY THE HEFTY HIKES, WHICH AVERAGED AT 45 PERCENT FOR NINE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.

THE PRICE HIKES HAVE GENERATED A LOUD OUTCRY AMONG FILIPINOS AND HAVE EVEN LED TO CALLS FOR AQUINO'S RESIGNATION FROM ERSTWHILE SUPPORTERS.

PICKED UP FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, ORBOS JOINED THE CABINET LAST DECEMBER IN A REVAMP WHICH TOOK PLACE AFTER MILITARY REBELS ALMOST TOPPLED AQUINO'S GOVERNMENT.

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IN THE NEWS:

The LABOR DEPARTMENT says unemployment rose 0.2% to 5.9% in November. It also reported a whopping 267,000 decline in non-farm jobs. A survey of economists by MMS INTERNATIONAL had projected a decline of 75,000 in non-farm payroll employment and a rise in the unemployment rate to 5.9% from 5.7% in October. The "Dow Jones Capital Markets Report" survey had projected a decline of 78,000 non-farm jobs and a jump in the unemployment rate to 5.9%.

The NIKKEI jumps 969.39 points, or 4.3%, today on the back financial issues that rose in response to hopes of lower oil prices and easier monetary policy. ... In the London, the FTSE is up 9 points in early afternoon trading. ... Bonds are three ticks cheaper, with the long yield at 8.32%. ... The dollar is down across the board. ... North Sea crude is up 45 cents to $27.35. ... Yesterday oil prices fell to their lowest levels since mid-August yesterday. ... Global free trade talks broke down in Brussels last night over the issue of farm trade subsidies. ... A SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION filing by AT&T discloses that CHEMICAL BANK is leading a syndicate trying to raise money for the company's attempt to buy NCR. ... November sales were down at J.C. PENNEY, K-MART and SEARS, ROEBUCK and up at WAL-MART just 7% compared to an average monthly gain this year of 10% a month. subsidiaries and takes the units off the block. ... The INVESTMENT COMPANY INSTITUTE says money fund assets rose $1 billion during the last week to a record $424.9 billion. ... CONTINENTAL AIRLINES says it has not had to cancel a single flight in the wake of its Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing and that bookings are holding steady.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The NEW YORK MERCANTILE EXCHANGE announces plans to impose limits on price swings that could suspend oil trading for an hour if prices move $7.50 a barrel in either direction. ... "The Wall Street Journal" says KIDDER, PEABODY is reducing its investment banking division as much as 10%.

FROM THE BULLS:

After being bearish since August 1989, JOE GRANVILLE says this morning that he has just turned bullish. "We've broken out above 2580 on authoritative volume - that tells me this market is going to go higher," says Granville. The editor of the "Granville Market Letter" doesn't know how long his green light will be on: "It could flash off in January or February ... but right now I would definitely be a buyer of stocks." (CNN "Business Day", 12/7)

"Frankly, I don't think it's over," OPPENHEIMER's MICHAEL METZ says of recent market gains. "We still have undercommitted investors limiting their exposure. There is growing confidence that this will be a reasonably normal recession rather than open-ended economic collapse." He says IRAQI PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN's promise to release all hostages "was such an obvious sell signal" yesterday. "All the good news was out." But he says the bear market ended in October and "we've begun to build the base for the next bull market." (NYT and "Investor's Daily", 12/7)

FROM THE BEARS:

"We feel the market is at the upper end of a trading range and will probably work its way more toward 2400 [on the Dow] than to 2700," says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA at GRUNTAL & CO. "We predicate that on the fact that the economy

itself is weakening, it has not bottomed yet. The fourth-quarter GNP and the first-quarter GNP will be the worst of the recession, in our view, but it's too early to start the recovery process in stock prices." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/6)

STOCK MARKET:

Investors "got carried away on the upside, [yesterday]," says ROBERT ANTOLINI of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE. "You could get some things done once the idiocy of the opening was over." ("Investor's Daily", 12/7)

"I was sort of stunned that we ended down [yesterday]", says JOHN EBERLEY at CHICAGO CORP. "My guess is that [PRESIDENT] BUSH's posture of nothing less than absolute withdrawal [from Kuwait] spooked some people." ("The Washington Post", 12/7)

"After a very decent broad rally this week, stocks got to levels that scared some people," says NED COLLINS at DAIWA SECURITIES. ("USA Today", 12/7)

"There are other problems that the [stock] market has to deal with besides Iraq," says ROBERT JONES of GOLDMAN SACHS. "The economy is weak, the financial sector is weak. ... The market itself remains slightly overvalued." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/6)

"You could expect some profit taking and the news on the economics side was not good," says HUGH JOHNSON at FIRST ALBANY CORP. "But the fact that the market was not able to sustain the advance of the last four days suggests to me that higher stocks prices will be harder to come by." (NYT, 12/7)

"You had a market that had anticipated very favorable developments in the past few days and had become tremendously extended," says THOMAS GALLAGHER at OPPENHEIMER. "IBM and the biotech stocks had a lot to do with the selling and weakness in the bank stocks scared everybody a little, too," (WSJ, 12/7)

"The market is very much tuned into the Mideast," says LOUIS EHRENKRANTZ, research coordinator at LADENBURG THALMANN & CO. "If there is going to be a war then the market is going to go down to test those lows. If there is not, I think we've got a very good market looking ahead of us." If the resolution of the Middle East is perceived as a victory for the U.S., "I think you are looking at a market a year from now that is well over 3000." If the Saddam Hussein manages to hold onto his power base in Kuwait or some of the land he took "it will be a major defeat for us and I think you are looking at a market that will just limp around 2500 for a year." He says that the market bottomed at 2350 providing all goes well in the Middle East, and the market has discounted the weak corporate earnings. (CNBC "The Moneywheel", 12/6)

"The heavy cap stocks ... have been going up for quite awhile," says MICHAEL CARTY of VALUELINE. He says the smaller stocks are now catching up. "There's

been quite a rally in the secondary markets," according to Carty. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/6)

The early rally on the announcement of the release of the hostages "didn't last long because you had weakness in IBM, we also had some weakness in the bond market," says PETER GRENNAN of SHEARSON LEHMAN

BROTHERS. "It was a combination of factors." (CNN "Moneyline", 12/6)

STOCK TIPS:

LIFELINE SYSTEMS has experienced "a turnaround that is for real," says DAVID BENHAIM of ADAMS, HARKNESS & HILL. "Everything is falling into place and starting to click." Lifeline has seen two straight quarters of 500% growth. ("Investor's Daily", 12/7)

BILL MATTHEWS, editor of the "Cheap Investor" recommends buying LINDAL CEDAR HOMES, which has a "record net income for 9 months" and "both buyers and dealers have confidence" in the company. He also recommends PACER TECHNOLOGY, which he says "has aggressively expanded its market place" and first quarter earnings show a "vast improvement compared to last year." He reiterates a buy recommendation for HARCOR ENERGY which "has shown excellent increases in sales and net income" and "has just about doubled its assets." (CNBC "The Moneywheel", 12/7)

"I think this is a new Ma Bell," says SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS analyst MARIA LEWIS about AT&T's move to acquire NCR. "I think it knows what it wants and it goes out and gets it." DONALD SINSABAUGH of ERNST & CO. says he thinks "the true price is somewhere between" AT&T's offer of 90 per share and NCR's counter proposal of 125 per share. "As to whether they'll actually ever agree on that price is still an open question." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/6)

"The brokerage industry hires at the top and fires at the bottom," says a suddenly bullish JOE GRANVILLE. "I like the chart on BEAR STEARNS, I like the chart on PAINEWEBBER, I like the chart on MERRILL LYNCH." The editor of the "Granville Market Letter" likes bank stocks even more than the brokerage issues. His favorites: BANK OF BOSTON, MANUFACTURERS HANOVER, CHASE MANHATTAN and CHEMICAL BANK. (CNN "Business Day", 12/7)

Some of the institutional investors who control 62% of NCR stock expect the company to be sold for about 100 a share. "That's where this thing works out " says JACK TILTON, president of ANB INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT of Chicago, which controls about 400,000 NCR shares. "The stock we have, we're holding. There's very little downside risk at 92 3/4" where the stock closed yesterday. ("USA Today", 12/7)

ARGUS RESEARCH recommends buying AMERICAN CYANAMID because the "company will be much more health-care oriented" and "should warrant a significantly better

P/E multiple." Argus also likes INTEL which it says has "substantial upside potential for the long term" with very little downside risk at current levels. (CNBC "The Moneywheel", 12/7)

"I feel at this point, one should take a look at some nearby [oil] call options -- maybe January or February call options if they're 3 cheap, out-of-the-money call options," says PETER BEUTEL, energy director at PEGASUS ECONOMETRIC GROUP. "There is a possibility that when we go into negotiations [with Iraq] ... that those negotiations will fall apart and we will be back in a more tense situation. So we may have come down too quickly. I think I would take a look at the long side in a very cautious, conservative way - using options." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/6)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 7) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"Yes, the [currency] market is embracing [IRAQI PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN's offer to release hostages] as a new development," says MARC COHEN at FUJI BANK. But he adds that the market is unwilling to "erase the entire war premium and then find out this is just posturing." KAREN KLUGE at CREDIT SUISSE in New York says, "People are still a little unsure what to do with the dollar. Do we still have to wait for full withdrawal before we can take away the war premium?" (WSJ, 12/7)

SADDAM HUSSEIN's offer to release the hostages he has held since August was "a sign war tensions were easing, and the dollar fell sharply," according to MARC CHANDLER of IDEA, who believes the dollar will lose the safe-haven support it has enjoyed in recent months if peace breaks out. By reducing the attractiveness of dollar- denominated securities, lower interest rates may further weaken the greenback, he says. Today's unemployment data "will confirm the slowdown of the U.S. economy and add pressure on the Federal Reserve to ease interest rates," says Chandler. ("Investor's Daily", 12/7)

BRIAN FABBRI, chief economist at MIDLAND MONTAGU ECONOMICS, says Middle East news was "the principle factor moving bond-market psychology" and that "economic fundamentals were put aside." Tough talk by SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER "threw some cold water on the market," he says. (WSJ, 12/7)

"I would hope [FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN] could do more" to lower interest rates, says REP. RICHARD GEPHARDT (D. - Missouri). "I realize there are countervailing reasons that sometimes make it difficult, but I hope he will keep trying." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/6)

"I think interest rates are headed down," says DR. LACY HUNT, chief U.S. economist for the HONG KONG BANK. "I think, the biggest drop will be in the short term rates. There will also be a decline in the long term rates while the Federal Reserve is easing and that should continue until the early part of next year maybe even until the spring." (CNBC "The Moneywheel", 12/7)

"It's a very quiet [bond] market," says JAMES CAPRA at SHEARSON LEHMAN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES. "Caution and profit taking are the watchwords of the day. The market has come a long way and there is a big number [unemployment] on Friday. At this point people are unwilling to make purchases." (NYT, 12/7)

THE ECONOMY:

"Increased oil prices signify increased inflation, higher interest rates and a choking off of any kind of recovery we're going to have," says MICHAEL CARTY of VALUELINE. He says a weaker economy also could hurt both the stock and bond markets. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/6)

"I think the inflationary pressures have now peaked and they are going to be decelerating," says DR. LACY HUNT, chief U.S. economist for the HONG KONG BANK. "The main driving factor now is the very significant recession that is under way now. It is knocking demand down." He is especially concerned about problems in the service sector. He says problems are being created by the lower dollar and higher cost of imports. "Demand is so weak we are going to see the inflation rate gradually move down," he says. He believes that the recession will not have a sharp, quick recovery. (CNBC "The Moneywheel", 12/7)

"If you look at [sales at] SEARS, WAL-MART, K-Mart, it tells you where people are," says CATHERINE COOPER at KEMPER FINANCIAL SERVICES. "Consumer confidence is down and sales look pretty sluggish. I don't see the country any more on sale than it was last year." ("The Washington Post", 12/7)

"Basically, the November [retail sales] numbers looked fairly similar to October's," says BRUCE MISSETT of OPPENHEIMER & CO. "At least we haven't seen any deterioration." ("Investor's Daily", 12/7)

Retail analyst WALTER LOEB, president of LOEB ASSOCIATES, looks for Christmas retail sales to be flat compared to a year ago and for that weakness to last of most of 1991. "I think it's very slow and consumers are really careful in how they spend this year," he says. "I expect that this will continue throughout the Christmas season and [that] very late in the Christmas season they will rush in and buy something because they will still try to buy for the family and give gifts." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/6)

"I think we'll continue to see mediocre sales through mid-December," says RICHARD NELSON at DUFF & PHELPS. "The last week to 10 days of the season will be very important to the retailers' full-year performance. The trend over the

last few years has been toward later shopping and procrastinating. Retailers all expect this. ... I expect a lot of late buying. But that may not be enough to salvage the Christmas season." ("USA Today", 12/7)

"The overriding issue in the retail business is the economy," says JANET MONGANO at JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL & CO. "People's jobs are less secure and income isn't rising as much." (NYT, 12/7)

IN WASHINGTON:

The deficit for 1991 is expected to be $320 billion, and those numbers might be "a bit optimistic," according to ROBERT REISCHAUER, director of the CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE. Without the S&L bailout costs, it would only be about $192 billion. (CNN "Moneyline", 12/6)

BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC," suggests one possible "scenario" that has not been widely discussed is that PRESIDENT BUSH's move to talk to Iraq is basically an effort to diffuse a highly volatile "countdown" to war, which he says would have been "horrendous psychologically. The hullabaloo would have been really something. ... The thought crosses my mind that part of this ... is simply to confuse the issue, to make the issue less clear during this very critical season for the economy. ... I still believe the Bush position is non-negotiable. I don't think his political position is the least bit defensible in this country - or in the view of history - if he does anything other than insist on his original goals. ... I still rate the chances of war as quite high." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/6)

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BOULDER, CO (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Satellite Information Systems Co. (SISCOM) (NASDAQ: SATI) today announced a contract to provide NBA Entertainment in New York with a NewsPro(TM) newsroom automation system. Value of the contract was not disclosed.

A division of the National Basketball Association, NBA Entertainment will use SISCOM's NewsPro system in its programming production for NBC, including a weekly entertainment series entitled "NBA Inside Stuff," which airs at 12:30 (EST) every Saturday during the NBA season. NBA Entertainment will also use NewsPro in its programming production for TNT. In addition, the company will use a modified version of SISCOM's Video Archive capability to manage its extensive video library, from which a dozen home videos per year are produced.

"The video library portion of the NBA installation is quite interesting when you consider there are more than 1,400 NBA games each year with an average of three hours of video tape per game," said Bob Turner, SISCOM's director of marketing. "Using NewsPro, NBA Entertainment can code each play of each game,

allowing for fast and efficient retrieval of selected video clips for use in producing high quality feature programs."

Stephen Hellmuth, director of operations for NBA Entertainment, said, "We reviewed other software systems and our decision was an easy one. NewsPro offered us power and flexibility and was perfectly suited to our needs." Hellmuth said the NBA is using NewsPro in conjunction with Digital Equipment Corp. VAX computers. DEC has been the official computer vendor of the NBA since 1987, and SISCOM's close relationship with DEC figured into NBA Entertainment's decision to select NewsPro.

"The selection of NewsPro enabled us to use our existing hardware system," Hellmuth said. "The transition went smoothly and we're very happy with our relationship with SISCOM."

SISCOM NewsPro automates the editorial and production control aspects of broadcast news operations, and additionally provides information management facilities for use by organizations in the print media, public affairs, press relations and image industries.

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#90341p1003 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HANOVER, NJ (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Sandoz Pharmaceuticals said that as a result of a recent meeting with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and its own experience in operating the CLOZARIL Patient Management System (CPMS) the company has begun meeting with federal and state officials and health care providers to discuss potential changes in the monitoring system for CLOZARIL, the company's product for the treatment of schizophrenia.

The goal of these changes would be to increase patient access to CLOZARIL and significantly lower the price, the company said.

Sandoz also said that the new changes would open the weekly blood monitoring and drug distribution program to outside groups. Given these changes, the company said it would be unrealistic to assume that any new system would maintain the current high level of patient safety standards but every effort would be made to maximize patient safety. One of the safeguards would be the continuation of a national patient database, the company said.

David L. Winter, M.D., vice president, scientific and external affairs, said, Sandoz has amassed sufficient data and experience through CPMS to initiate a nationwide effort with health care providers and professional health care and advocacy organizations to discuss and implement new monitoring systems to meet the mandatory "no-blood, no drug" requirement associated with CLOZARIL therapy.

He said the company hopes to begin a phase-in of new systems in February 1991. CPMS will remain an active program during this period.

CLOZARIL is associated with an extremely high incidence of agranulocytosis, a potentially fatal blood disorder that leaves patients vulnerable to infection due to marked reduction in the white blood cell count.

CPMS was developed specifically to identify early evidence of white blood cell disorders, reducing the potential for fatal reactions through prompt drug-discontinuation. CPMS is a nationwide drug distribution system that links the supply of drug to the performance of a weekly blood test. It provides for prompt notification of test results to attending physicians, and incorporates a confidential, computerized patient data base.

CLOZARIL is the first significant antipsychotic agent for schizophrenia in over 20 years. CLOZARIL is indicated for severely ill schizophrenic patients who have failed to respond adequately to standard anti-psychotic therapy.

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#90341p1006 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc. (CRIIMI MAE) (NYSE: CMM) announced today that the board of directors declared the fourth quarter 1990 dividend in the amount of 27 cents per share. This 27 cents per share will be paid on Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 18, 1990. CRIIMI MAE stock will begin trading ex-dividend on Dec. 12, 1990.

CRIIMI MAE, with assets of approximately $595 million, is a real estate investment trust specializing in U.S. government insured multifamily mortgage investments. CRIIMI MAE's adviser is an affiliate of CRI, Inc., the real estate investment firm based in the Washington area.

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#90341p1007 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - CRI Liquidating REIT, Inc. (NYSE: CFR) announced today that the board of directors declared the fourth quarter 1990 dividend in the amount of 30 cents per share. The dividend is comprised of 28 cents per share income and 2 cents per share return of capital.

This 30 cents per share will be paid on Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 18, 1990. CRI Liquidating REIT, Inc. stock will begin trading ex-dividend on Dec. 12, 1990.

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#90341p1017 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - For the second year in a row, Car and Driver magazine's list of the "Ten Best" cars for 1991 includes two Mazda vehicles, the popular Mazda MX-5 Miata sports car and versatile MPV multi-use vehicle.

The editors said, "Mazda's Miata garnered a unanimous vote from our smitten panel. We remain convinced that everyone on the continent -- any continent -- ought to have one of these zippy, good- handling swift-looking funsters in the garage."

The Miata and MPV have received several major awards from the automotive media during the past year. Most recently, the Miata was named to Road and Track magazine's list of "10 Best Cars in the World," and both the Miata and MPV were selected by Motor Trend in their "Top Ten" lists for 1991. The Miata was also named as Automobile magazine's first-ever "Automobile of the Year." The MPV and Miata were named "Best Minivan" and "Best Sports Car," respectively by Motorweek television automotive magazine.

The announcement is featured in the January 1991 issue of the magazine, which goes on sale in mid-December. Car and Driver is one of the nation's leading automotive publications.

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#90341p1018 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Carl Karcher Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ: CARL) today reported net income of $2,073,000, equal to $.11 per fully diluted share, for the third fiscal quarter ended Nov. 5, 1990. Net income for the corresponding period last year was $4,054,000, or $.22 per fully diluted share. Revenues for the third quarter were $120,897,000 compared with $121,558,000 last year.

For the 40-week period, net income was $12,419,000 or $.68 per fully diluted share, compared with $14,460,000 or $.77 per fully diluted share last year. Year-to-date revenues rose to $403,018,000 from $393,298,000 for the first 40

weeks of the prior fiscal year.

Donald F. Karcher, president and chief operating officer, said the quarter's operating results reflect the overall slowdown in consumer spending and the resulting softness throughout the food service sector.

The company's operating earnings for the quarter, however, declined 15 percent a lower percentage than the overall earnings decline. Operating earnings were $6.8 million in the current quarter, compared with $8.0 million in the same period a year ago. The balance of the earnings decline is attributable to higher other revenues in the prior year period from real estate transactions, and a decrease in investment and other income and a lower effective tax rate for the current quarter. Investment and other income for the third quarter was $52,000 compared with $1,637,000 for the same period last year.

Carl Karcher Enterprises Inc. operates Carl's Jr. restaurants, a regional quick-service chain known for its varied menu and healthful, premium quality products. Founded in 1941, the company, its franchisees and licensees operate 561 restaurants in California, Nevada, Oregon, Arizona and Japan.

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#90341p1019 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, CA (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Vector Aeromotive Corp. (NASDAQ: VCAR) announced today that the company has appointed I. David Long as the company's new director of operations, reporting directly to Vector's chief executive officer and chairman. Long will have full responsibility for directing the manufacturing, engineering and purchasing activities related to the production of the VECTOR W8 TwinTurbo supercar.

Long is a 38-year veteran of the automobile industry. From 1952 to 1980, he was employed by the Chrysler Corp., Detroit. Since leaving Chrysler, Long has held positions with Mitsubishi Motor Sales of North America, Fountain Valley, Calif., and FUTURE TRANS INC., Irvine, Calif. Most recently, he has functioned as consultant for various automotive industry corporations on legal matters.

Long's Chrysler corporate staff positions have included manager of technical process systems, director of advanced manufacturing, plant manager of Jefferson Assembly Plant and general manager of the Kokomo Transmission Plant.

The 59-year-old Long is a graduate of Johns Hopkins University. He begins work immediately.

Vector Aeromotive Corp. is based in Wilmington near the Port of Los Angeles and produces the world's fastest all-American-made automobile known as the VECTOR W8. Base price of the W8 is $283,750 and 30 cars have already been pre-sold.

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#90341p1020 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Hurco Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: HURC) today reported annual earnings of $6,865,000, or $1.21 per share, on revenues of $97,169,000, compared to earnings of $8,221,000, or $1.70 per share, on revenues of $91,773,000 for the 1989 fiscal year. Fourth quarter 1990 earnings were $1,094,000 on revenues of $24,939,000, compared to earnings of $2,910,000 on revenues of $27,959,000 for the same period last year.

Backlog on Oct. 31, 1990, was $9,200,000 compared to the backlog of $19,900,000 on the same date last year. Orders for fiscal 1990 were $83,600,000, compared to orders of $93,700,000 for fiscal 1989. Fourth quarter orders were $23,200,000 compared to $26,100,000 for the same period a year ago.

The announced earnings represent the second highest annual results in the company's history. The primary causes of the lower earnings from 1989's record performance were increased investment in marketing and research and development projects and reduced gross margin resulting from price discounting in the U.S. and U.K. markets. "In light of the economic environment we faced in these major markets, we are pleased with the company's performance during fiscal 1990," said Brian D. McLaughlin, president and chief executive officer of Hurco Companies, Inc. "The company continued to increase its market share, primarily in the German, French and U.S. markets, and developed several new products which should provide significant future growth.

"The company's 1991 first quarter results will be under additional pressure. We face deepening recession in the U.S. and U.K. markets, and anticipate further erosion of gross margins. Expenses have been cut wherever possible, but commensurate reductions are unattainable due to long term commitments to essential programs in product development, customer service and marketing."

Hurco Companies, Inc. is one of the largest United States-based manufacturers of computer numerical control systems for machine tools. The company is based in Indianapolis and has additional manufacturing facilities in Detroit and High Wycombe, England. Its products are sold through 120 independent agents and distributors in the United States and 26 other countries. The company also has direct sales forces in the United States, the United Kingdom and West Germany.

HURCO COMPANIES, INC. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	(Unaudited) Three Months Ended Oct. 31, 1990	1989
Revenue	$24,939	$27,959
Net Income	1,094	2,910
Earnings per common and common equivalent share	$.20	$.51
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	5,585	5,706

	(Audited) Twelve Months Ended Oct. 31, 1990	1989
Revenue	$97,169	$91,773
Net Income	6,865	8,221
Earnings per common and common equivalent share	$1.21	$1.70
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	5,675	4,781

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#90341p1021 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - IVAX Corporation (AMEX: IVX) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals, Inc., has granted to Anaquest, Inc. an exclusive license in Western Europe to the injectable form of nalmefene, a new long acting narcotic antagonist. Anaquest has agreed to pay Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals an up-front license fee and royalties based upon the commercial sale of products.

Nalmefene is being developed by Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals for a number of indications including as an orally administered drug for the treatment of interstitial cystitis and arthritis and as an injectable drug for the treatment of central nervous system injuries. Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals will retain the rights to these uses of nalmefene.

Anaquest was previously granted a license to the injectable form of nalmefene in the United States and Canada. Anaquest is a leading researcher, manufacturer and distributor of anesthesia and acute care pharmaceuticals.

IVAX Corporation is a holding company consisting of three operating divisions: IVAX Industries, Inc., a chemical specialties business; Diamedix Corporation,

a medical diagnostics company; and the pharmaceuticals group which includes Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a pharmaceuticals company; Baker Cummins Dermatologicals, Inc., a dermatological products company owned 50 percent by Baker Cummins Pharmaceuticals and 50 percent by Union Carbide Corporation; and Best Generics, Inc., a national distributor of generic pharmaceuticals.

CONTACT: Phillip Frost, M.D., chairman of the board and chief executive officer of IVAX Corporation, 305-590-2206

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#90341p1024 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARUBA, DUTCH CARIBBEAN (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Divi Hotels N.V. (AMEX: DVH) announced today that its exchange offer on its two outstanding issues of debt securities will be extended until midnight, EST, on Jan. 7, 1990.

The exchange offer was initiated on April 27, 1990, and is being made to security holders qualified to participate in a private placement regarding Divi's $60 million of 14-1/2 percent senior debentures due 1998 and $50 million of 12-3/4 percent subordinated notes due 1996. It was originally scheduled to expire at midnight, EDT, on May 24, 1990, and was periodically extended until midnight, Eastern Standard Time, on Dec. 7, 1990.

The terms and conditions of the exchange offer otherwise remain unchanged.

Through Dec. 7, 1990, only a nominal amount of the outstanding debt securities covered by the exchange offer had been validly tendered. The company is continuing negotiations with a committee of the holders of the two issues of debt securities to reach agreement with the committee as to revised terms for the exchange offer.

CONTACT: Kevin E. Roberts, chief financial officer or William L. Reed, director of finance of Divi Hotels Marketing, 607-277-3484

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#90341p1028 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAYNE, MI (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Fred E. Blair, chief executive officer of United Care, Inc., announced that, effective Thursday, Dec. 6, 1990, Outer Drive Hospital in Lincoln Park, Mich., will operate under the ownership of Vencor, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: VCOR).

Vencor is a national health care company based in Louisville, Ky. It owns or operates 12 hospitals throughout the country. The agreement between United Care and Vencor was reached on Sept. 28, 1990, and employees of Outer Drive Hospital were notified of the sale in October of this year. A Certificate of Need has been approved by the Michigan Department of Public Health.

United Care, formerly the Peoples Community Hospital Authority, has operated Outer Drive Hospital since it opened in 1957. In addition to the hospital's 218 medical/surgical beds and 35 mental health beds, the sale agreement includes transfer of the land, building, and supplies to Vencor. The facility will be renamed Vencor Hospital - Detroit.

Michael R. Barr, Vencor's vice president of operations, expressed confidence in the success of the acquisition. "Vencor is proud to become part of the metropolitan Detroit area health care system. We are confident that there is a strong market in the area for our highly specialized services." Vencor has built a reputation for the management of hospital-based services for medically complex and catastrophically ill patients.

United Care, Inc. is a private, not-for-profit multi-facility health care system, established in January 1989 and headquartered in Wayne. United Care owns and operates Beyer Hospital, an acute-care facility located in Ypsilanti; a number of ambulatory clinics; home-care services; a skilled nursing facility; a durable medical equipment company; and an urgent-care facility. United Care continues to develop and implement service programs designed to provide quality, cost- effective health care service in response to the needs of the community.

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#90341p1035 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NES-ZIONA, ISRAEL (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Optrotech Ltd. (NASDAQ: OPTKF) announced today that a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed among Optrotech Ltd., Orbot Systems Ltd. and the shareholders of Orbot Systems Ltd. for the merger of Optrotech and Orbot. Prior to the merger, Orbot will transfer certain activities not related to printed circuit boards to its subsidiary, Orbot Instruments Ltd., which will be spun off to the shareholders of Orbot.

The purpose of the merger is to form a joint company that will become a world leader in the manufacture and sale of inspection equipment, and a producer of CAD/CAM systems, for the electronics industry, as well as for other industries.

The merger will be effected through the allotment by Optrotech of new shares representing 60 percent of the share capital of Optrotech to the shareholders of Orbot, in exchange for all of the outstanding shares of Orbot.

The effective date of the transaction will be Jan. 1, 1991. The closing of the transaction is subject to customary conditions, including approval of the boards of directors of both companies, and the approval of the shareholders of Optrotech. The transaction is also subject to the execution of final

agreements and to the receipt by the board of directors of Optrotech of a fairness opinion from a major investment banking firm.

According to the terms of the MOU the principal shareholders of Orbot and the principal shareholders of Optrotech are expected to enter into a shareholders' agreement pursuant to which the board of directors of Optrotech will consist of 11 members, six of whom will be nominated by the existing principal shareholders of Orbot, and from the remaining five, four will be nominated by the existing principal shareholders of Optrotech. Shlomo Barak will serve as the active chairman of the board of Optrotech, Zvi Lapidot and Yochai Richter who presently are the joint managing directors of Orbot, will be appointed as joint managing directors of Optrotech.

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#90341p1037 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - ACC Corp. (NASDAQ: ACCC) at the Nov. 6 meeting, the board of directors declared a regular quarterly common stock dividend of $.04 per share. This dividend is payable Feb. 8, 1991 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 4, 1991. This was announced today by Richard T. Aab, chairman and chief executive officer of ACC Corp.

ACC Corp. is a holding company for ACC Long Distance Corp., ACC Network Corp., ACC Long Distance Ltd., ACC Global Corp., ACC Local Fiber Corp., and Danbury Cellular Telephone Company. The company provides long-distance telephone service throughout Northeastern United States and Eastern Canada. The company's stock is listed on the National Market (OTC) under the NASDAQ symbol ACCC.

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#90341p1039 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLUE BELL, PA. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Healthcare Inc. (NASDAQ: USHC), one of the nation's leading providers of managed health care services, today announced that its regular quarterly cash dividends of $.09 per share on common stock and $.081 per share on Class B stock will be paid on Dec. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 13.

U.S. Healthcare owns and operates health maintenance organizations (HMOs) in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Delaware, Connecticut and Massachusetts. In addition, it provides comprehensive managed health care services to self-insured and other employers.

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#90341p1041 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, COLO. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Synergen Inc. (NASDAQ: SYGN) announced today that its interleukin-1 receptor antangonist (IL-1ra) significantly reduced mortality in animal models of septic shock. Synergen also announced that it is beginning human clinical trials of IL-1ra for sepsis and septic shock.

The results of the research effort, which was headed by Dr. Kjell Ohlsson of the University of Lund in Sweden, were published in the Dec. 6 issue of Nature. In a rabbit model of septic shock, 90 percent of animals treated with IL-1ra survived compared to only 20 percent of those not treated.

Synergen filed its Investigational New Drug application with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in October and in November received FDA approval to proceed with clinical trials for sepsis and septic shock. Phase I clinical trials, to investigate dosage and safety, commence this month in healthy volunteers. Larger scale Phase II trials in patients with sepsis and septic shock are expected to begin in the first half of 1991.

Synergen is a biotechnology company developing products to treat inflammatory diseases, vascular disorders and neurological conditions, using recombinant DNA technology and the latest advances in molecular and cellular biology.

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#90341p1043 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of the Tranzonic Companies (AMEX: TNZ) today declared a quarterly dividend of 4 cents per common share and 7 cents per Class B Common Share to be paid Jan. 18, 1991 to shareholders of record Dec. 27, 1990.

Both the Common Shares and the Class B Common Shares are listed on the American Stock Exchange.

Cleveland-based Tranzonic is a manufacturer/distributor of paper, cloth and vinyl products.

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#90341p1045 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
WILMINGTON, DEL. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont (NYSE: DD) announced today it is offering $300 million of 8.65 percent notes due 1997.

The notes will be offered at par. New proceeds will be used for general operations, including capital expenditures, working capital requirements, stock repurchases, and reduction of outstanding indebtedness.

The issue will be sold through underwriters led by Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc.

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#90341p1047 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
MALVERN, PA. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Centocor Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CNTO) has filed a Registration Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to a proposed public offering of $100 million principal amount of Convertible Subordinated Notes.

PaineWebber Inc. (lead manager), Hambrecht & Quist Inc., Robertson, Stephens & Co. and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. will co-manage the offering. The notes will be convertible into shares of the company's common stock.

Centocor is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System. The closing price of the common stock on Dec. 6, 1990, was $44 per share.

The proceeds from the offering will be used to fund the manufacturing, marketing and working capital requirements associated with Centoxin(R), an agent with the potential to treat patients with gram negative sepsis and septic shock; capital expansion needs, working capital requirements and expenses associated with development, clinical testing and marketing of other pharmaceutical products; and possible acquisitions.

Centocor Inc., based in Malvern, develops, manufactures and markets diagnostic and pharmaceutical products for human health care. The company's products are based on monoclonal antibody technology and are primarily intended for use in the management of patients with infectious, cardiovascular and autoimmune disease and cancer.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the

securities laws of any such state.

CONTACT: Charles C. Cabot III of Centocor, 215-889-4456

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#90341p1057 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

FRANKLIN, MASS. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Stuarts Department Stores, Inc. (NASDAQ: STUS) announced today that the company and its wholly owned subsidiary, S.D.S., Inc., have voluntarily filed a petition for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code.

The company further stated that Stuarts plans to continue its retail operations and to formulate a plan of reorganization as promptly as possible. Stuarts noted that the Christmas selling season traditionally generates substantial positive cash flow and that there are no liens or encumbrances with respect to the company's inventory.

The company had previously announced on Nov. 12, 1990 that Shawmut Bank N.A. had declined to make further advances under its credit agreement with Stuarts due to the company's failure to comply with certain financial covenants. This action has caused Stuarts' trade suppliers to restrict their shipments of merchandise to the company's stores.

The company's decision to file the petition came after Stuarts' management was unable to reach an agreement with Shawmut Bank with repsect to the financing of Stuarts' operations next year.

Stuarts Department Stores, Inc. operates 23 self-service discount department stores located in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, Connecticut and Maine, 22 under the name "Stuarts" and one under the name "Harry's". The company's stores sell a wide variety of general merchandise selected to satisfy the clothing, home, recreational and convenience needs of the blue collar and middle income family.

CONTACT: Lisa Beckerman of Stuarts, 508-520-4540

-30- 1814

#90341p1060 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Centocor Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CNTO) today announced it intends to exercise its options to purchase the limited partnership interests in Centocor Cardiovascular Imaging Partners L.P. (CCIP) and Centocor Partners II L.P. (CPII), research and development limited partnerships created by Centocor to fund the development and clinical testing of certain pharmaceutical products.

The options to purchase the CCIP and CPII limited partnership interests become

exercisable in early 1991 and early 1992, respectively.

As a result of this decision, the company's results of operations for the fourth quarter of 1990 will include a charge to earnings currently estimated to be approximately $99 million, representing the purchase of in process research and development.

Upon purchase of the partnership interests, Centocor will reacquire the commercial rights to several of its pharmaceutical products, including Centoxin(R) for the treatment of gram negative sepsis and septic shock, Myoscint(R) for the diagnosis and early risk stratification of heart attack patients, and Fibriscint(R) for the diagnosis of deep vein blood clots. Marketing applications for Centoxin and Myoscint are currently under review by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. A similar application for Fibriscint is expected to be filed in 1991.

"The purchase of the interests in these partnerships reflects our confidence in the commercial potential of Centocor's first generation of pharmaceutical products," said Hubert J.P. Schoemaker, Ph.D., chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Centocor. "This step marks another important milestone in Centocor's evolution towards a fully integrated, independent biopharmaceutical company," Schoemaker added.

Centocor Inc., based in Malvern, develops, manufactures and markets diagnostic and pharmaceutical products for human health care. The company's products are based on monoclonal antibody technology and are primarily intended for use in the management of patients with infectious, cardiovascular and autoimmune disease and cancer.

CONTACT: Charles C. Cabot III of Centocor, 215-889-4456

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#90341p1061 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Tandycrafts, Inc. (NYSE: TAC), and SAV-ON, Inc., operator of seven retail discount office supply stores, today jointly announced a plan for the acquisition by Tandycrafts, Inc., of SAV-ON, Inc.

SAV-ON, Inc., has been in operation just over seven years, with retail discount office supply locations primarily centered in the Fort Worth, Dallas and Central Texas areas.

"We are extremely pleased to have the SAV-ON, Inc., growth record as a part of Tandycrafts, Inc., and look forward to supporting its management in the further expansion of its operations and service," said Kenneth L. Gregson, chairman.

CONTACT: Michael J. Walsh, vice president, general counsel and secretary of Tandycrafts, 817-551-9603

-30- 907

#90341p1062 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - ENSERCH Corporation (NYSE: ENS) today sold its 50 percent in Losinger AG, a Berne, Switzerland-based heavy construction company to Bouygues, a large French construction firm.

In addition, ENSERCH sold to Bouygues a Swiss franc subordinated convertible loan due from Losinger. Proceeds to ENSERCH from both transactions after related expenses were approximately $56 million, for an after-tax gain of about $20 million, or 31 cents per share of common stock. The proceeds will be used by ENSERCH to reduce debt.

"The sale to Bouygues will allow our principal engineering and construction subsidiary, Ebasco Services of New York, the opportunity to develop projects with Bouygues, as well as with Losinger, in the United States and in Europe during this exciting period of European unification and while Eastern European countries are moving toward free-market economies," said W.C. McCord, ENSERCH chairman and president.

In addition to Ebasco, other ENSERCH engineering and construction subsidiaries include H&G Engineering, a wholly owned subsidiary with headquarters in the United Kingdom, and Dorsch Consult, 49 percent-owned and based in Munich, Germany.

ENSERCH Corporation is a Dallas-based diversified energy, engineering and construction company.

CONTACT: Crystal C. Bell, 214-670-2528, or Benjamin A. Brown (investors), 214-670-2204, both of ENSERCH

-30- 1569

#90341p1064 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARLEYSVILLE, PA. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Harleysville Group Inc. (NASDAQ: HGIC), a regional insurance holding company, today announced plans to amend the intercompany pooling arrangement with Harleysville Mutual Insurance Co., effective Jan. 1, 1991, to respond to existing and anticipated changes in the corporate structure and business operations.

Under the amended agreement, Harleysville Group's subsidiaries will increase their total share of the underwriting pool from 50 percent to 60 percent. The pooling change reflects the addition of Harleysville Group's pending acquisitions -- New York Casualty Insurance Co. and Phoenix General Insurance Co. -- to the intercompany pool, and the removal of Harleysville Mutual's

Pennsylvania personal auto insurance business (approximately $35 million in annual written premiums) from the pool. The other terms of the pooling arrangement remain principally the same. Implementation of the amended agreement is subject to necessary state regulatory actions and consummation of the acquisitions.

"The contribution of Harleysville Group subsidiaries to the intercompany pool will be increased through the company's anticipated acquisition of New York Casualty and Phoenix General on January 1, 1991," explained Bradford W. Mitchell, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Harleysville Group. "Based on results to date, we expect the two companies to write nearly $35 million of property and casualty insurance in 1990. We are particularly excited about expanding our presence in upstate New York, an area which has been traditionally profitable for regional insurers like Harleysville."

"At the same time, we have removed the uncertainty associated with Pennsylvania's personal auto insurance environment from Harleysville Group's results through the formation of a separate company to manage this business. Pennland Insurance Company -- a new, wholly owned subsidiary of Harleysville Mutual -- will write all of Pennsylvania's personal auto insurance and will not be included in the intercompany pool," Mitchell said.

Harleysville Group Inc. is a regional holding company for four property and casualty insurers whose marketing territory encompasses the entire East Coast. The companies include: Atlantic Insurance Company of Savannah, Harleysville Insurance Company of New Jersey, Huron Insurance Company and Worcester Insurance Company. Harleysville Group also manages the operations of Berkshire Mutual Insurance Group, headquartered in Pittsfield, Mass., the financial results of which are not consolidated into Harleysville Group at the present time. Harleysville Group's net written premiums totalled $300.8 million in 1989, while assets stood at $568.5 million at Dec. 31, 1989.

Harleysville Mutual Insurance Co., founded in 1917, is the controlling stockholder of Harleysville Group Inc. Together, they form one of America's leading regional property and casualty insurance groups. On a combined statutory accounting basis, the property and casualty operations of the Harleysville organization, including Harleysville Mutual, produced direct written premiums of $584 million in 1989, while consolidated assets stood at $1.2 billion at Dec. 31, 1989.

CONTACT: Fred Baker, 215-256-5287, or Randy Buckwalter, 215-256-5288, both of Harleysville Group

-30- 3543

#90341p1065 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKY MOUNT, NC (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Centura Bank will observe the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday beginning in 1991.

All Centura offices will be closed on the third Monday in January, which will fall on Jan. 21, 1991. The bank will add the King Holiday to the eight existing holidays it already observes.

Centura Bank is the largest subsidiary of Centura Banks Inc. (NYSE: CBC), the new bank holding company formed from the recent merger of Peoples Bancorporation and The Planters Corporation.

CONTACT: A. Douglas Haynes, Manager, Corporate Communications, Centura Bank, 919-977-8429

-30- 763
#90341p1070 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
WALTHAM, MA (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Process Systems Inc. (AMEX: TPI) today announced that it is engaged in discussions to acquire an environmental services company, J. Amerika B.V., in the Netherlands. If completed, the acquisition would provide Thermo Process Systems with an opportunity to introduce its mobile soil remediation units in Europe.

Thermo Process Systems designs, manufactures, and sells advanced custom-engineered thermal-processing systems for the incineration of hazardous wastes and the automated heat treating of metal parts.

The company also provides services for the on-site remediation of hazardous wastes and petroleum-laden soils, in addition to a comprehensive range of metallurgical processes. Thermo Process Systems is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

CONTACT: John N. Hatsopoulos of Thermo Electron Corporation, (617) 622-1111.

-30- 1074
#90341p1072 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
SECAUCUS, N.J. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Genlyte Group Inc. (NASDAQ: GLYT) today announced that it expects that sales for the fourth quarter will be approximately 15 percent lower than in the corresponding period last year and that fourth quarter net earnings would be approximately break-even. David E. Momot, president of Genlyte, attributed the anticipated lower sales and earnings to the continued decline in the U.S. and Canadian economies, and in particular their construction and retail markets. Momot stated that the Northeast regional weakness was continuing into the fourth quarter and was being followed by similar signs of weakening in other regions of the United States and in Canada. He added that market contraction had also resulted in increased selling price competition. Momot concluded by saying that the company had decided to restructure one of its manufacturing facilities and is reducing total Genlyte employment by approximately 9 percent during the fourth

quarter.

The Genlyte Group is a leading manufacturer of lighting fixtures and controls for the commercial, residential, and industrial markets. Its products are sold under the brand names of Lightolier, KLP, Hadco, Wide- Lite, Bronzelite, Timely, Crescent, Stonco, Diamond F, and Basic Concept in the United States, and Lightolier, Keene-Widelite, Prodel, and Canadian Flourescent Industries in Canada.

CONTACT: Luke M. Beshar of Genlyte, 201-392-3823

-30- 1627

#90341p1078 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Newmont Mining Corp. (NYSE: NEM) today announced that it has been advised that Hanson PLC had completed its sale of 49 percent of Newmont Mining to a group headed by Sir James M. Goldsmith.

Newmont facilitated the transaction by terminating its assignable right to buy all but seven percent of the shares involved. Since the Oct. 16 announcement of the planned transaction no serious approach had been made to Newmont seeking the assignment of that right.

In connection with the closing of the transaction, the interim Dec. 28, 1990 expiration date for Newmont's stockholder rights plan will removed so that the plan will remain in effect through Sept. 11, 2000.

In addition, a substitute standstill agreement was signed with the Goldsmith group, providing for substantially the same limitations and rights with respect to the Newmont shares as pertained during Hanson's period of ownership.

Newmont Mining is a pure gold company which owns 90 percent of Newmont Gold Co. (NYSE: NGC), North America's largest producer; and 100 percent of Newmont Exploration Ltd., which conducts exploration for gold worldwide.

CONTACT: James F. Hill of Newmont Mining Corp., (303) 837-5977.

-30- 1402

#90341p1082 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - New York Stock Exchange member firms that do business with the public reported an after-tax loss of $124 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared with an after-tax profit of $471 million in third quarter 1989. In second quarter 1990, the firms reported an after-tax profit of $467 million.

For the first nine months of 1990 the firms reported a profit after taxes of $22 million on revenues of $40.757 billion. Expenses were $40.723 billion;

net income before taxes was $34 million.

This is a decrease of 98.3 percent from the after-tax profit of $1.276 billion in the first nine months of 1989, during which the firms reported $45.093 billion in revenues and $43.159 billion in expenses. Net income before taxes for January to September 1989 was $1.934 billion.

Revenues in the 1990 third quarter fell to $13.088 billion, down 13.4 percent from third quarter 1989 revenues of $15.106 billion in third quarter 1989. Second quarter 1990 revenues were $14.153 billion.

The third quarter 1990 after-tax loss represented a 1.4 percent annual loss on the member firms' average net worth of $36.460 billion during the period. In third quarter 1989, after-tax profit represented a 4.8 percent annual return on the member firms' average net worth of $39.128 billion during the period. Second quarter 1990 produced a 5.0 percent annual return on average net worth of $37.563 billion.

Expenses for the third quarter fell 7.8 percent to $13.276 billion, from $14.393 billion in the same quarter last year. Second quarter 1990 expenses were $13.445 billion.

The NYSE said about 48 percent of the 334 firms reporting for the quarter were profitable. The 161 profitable firms reported aggregate pre-tax earnings of $445 million; the 173 unprofitable firms reported an aggregate loss of $633 million before taxes.

The figures collected by the NYSE include revenue from all sources, including trading, interest and commission income.

Since the NYSE member firm community is made up of corporations and partnerships, after-tax earnings are presented on a pro-forma basis assuming a regular corporate tax rate or credit of 34 percent.

Commission revenues amounted to 17.5 percent of total member firm revenue of $13.088 billion in third quarter 1990, an increase from 17.0 percent for third quarter 1989 and 16.1 percent in second quarter 1990.

The NYSE also reported that during the third quarter 1990, member firms' assets -- which include cash, receivables, securities and property -- rose 1.5 percent from the same quarter last year to $552.237 billion. This is the second highest level ever, nearly matching the fourth quarter 1989 record level of $552.284 billion. Third-quarter 1989 assets were $544.069 billion; second quarter 1990s assets were $526.597 billion.

Capital -- ownership equity and subordinated liabilities -- fell 8.1 percent from a year ago to $36.078 billion. Third quarter 1989s level was $39.252 billion. Second quarter 1990 capital was $36.843 billion.

In the third quarter 1990, NYSE specialists reported an after-tax loss of $19 million, compared with an after-tax profit of $17 million in the same period in 1989. In the second quarter 1990, specialists had a profit of $6 million after taxes.

CONTACT: Sharon Gamsin, 212-656-8222, or Ray Pellecchia, 212-656-2065, of NYSE

-30- 3578

#90341p1092 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - American Airlines flew 6.17 billion revenue passenger miles in November, up 6.2 percent from November a year ago.

American's RPMs are also up 4.8 percent for the first 11 months of 1990 at 70.74 billion.

Based on revenue passenger miles; American is the nation's largest airline, both for the month and for the year-to-date.

Available seat miles for November were 10.34 billion, an increase of 8.2 percent compared to November, 1989. November load factor was 59.7 percent, down 1.1 point.

Traffic on international routes grew 33.6 percent from a year ago, while domestic traffic increased 1.5 percent.

"International traffic continues to pace the airline's growth," said Michael W. Gunn, American's senior vice president-marketing. "South and Central America, Australia, and international Caribbean routes were especially strong."

In addition, American's Cargo division continued its record-setting growth pattern with 68.73 million freight ton miles beating 1989's number by 21.1 percent.

"The continued double-digit growth of American's cargo business is further proof that our customers see us as the leader in providing high- quality and reliable cargo services," said William R. Boesch, American's cargo division president.

Despite the 1.5 percent increase in domestic RPMs, there were several areas of strength. The Sunday after Thanksgiving was the ninth busiest day in American's history, and hubs at Nashville, Raleigh- Durham, and Miami showed substantial growth over last year.

CONTACT: Tim Smith of American Airlines, 817-967-3273

-30- 1795
#90341p1093 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - International Mobile Machines Corp. (NASDAQ: IMMCC) today announced that it had agreed to sell its Indiana 4 Rural Service Area (RSA) construction permit for cellular service to Century Cellular Corp. for $8.5 million.

The company received a $1 million down payment upon execution of the agreement and the remaining purchase price will be paid at closing by cancellation of the company's $7.5 million subordinated promissory note with Century Cellular Corp. The sale is subject to the approval of the Federal Communications Commission. As a part of this agreement, IMM and Century agreed to IMM's use of the Indiana 4 RSA as a digital cellular test site with Century Cellular Corp. as the operator of this system.

"We are pleased to establish this partnership with Century Cellular Corp., one of America's fastest growing cellular service providers," said William J. Hilsman, chairman, president and chief executive officer of IMM.

"Digital technology is clearly in the future for any service provider; we therefore are pleased to be on the cutting edge of this new generation of cellular services for our customers," said Bernard Gallagher, president of Century Cellular Corp.

CONTACT: John A. Goetz, vp of IMM, 215-278-7800

-30- 1465
#90341p1098 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (NYSE: PNY), subject to completion of its annual audit, has reported financial results for the fiscal year ended October 31, 1990.

Summary of Operations

Year Ended October 31	1990	1989	Pct. Increase (Decrease)
Margin (Revenues less Cost of Gas)	$167,555,000	$158,850,000	5.5
Net Income	$ 25,733,000	$ 24,875,000	3.4
Operating Revenues	$403,815,000	$420,824,000	(4.0)
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding:			
Primary	10,565,000	10,264,000	2.9
Fully Diluted	11,031,000	10,859,000	1.6
Earnings Per Share of Common Stock:			
Primary	$2.44	$2.42	.8
Fully Diluted	$2.38	$2.35	1.3

Gas Delivered - Dekatherms	103,350,000	103,782,000	(.4)
Percent Normal Degree Days	89pct	92pct	(3.0)

Dividend Declared At the meeting of the Board of Directors held today, the Board declared a quarterly dividend on Common Stock of 42 cents per share. The dividend is payable January 15, 1991, to holders of record at the close of business on December 26, 1990.

NOTE: The period-to-period comparison of increases or decreases in operating revenues is not a valid or reliable indication of the Company's operations. Since 1986, changes in Federal and state regulations have allowed the Company to transport gas volumes purchased directly from producers by large industrial customers. In general, the margin earned on gas transported is equal to the margin earned on gas sold; however, transportation which replaces sales results in lower revenues since transportation rates exclude the commodity cost of gas which is paid by the customer directly to the supplier. Therefore gas volumes delivered, margin earned, net income and earnings per share should be used to compare period-to-period operating results of the Company.

CONTACT: Stephen D. Conner, Vice President-Corporate Communications, Piedmont Natural Gas Company, 704-364-3120 office or 704-364-0526 home

-30- 2442

#90341p1100 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CASS CITY, MICH. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Walbro Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: WALB) has declared a fourth-quarter dividend of 10 cents per share, payable Jan. 31, 1991, to stockholders of record Dec. 28, 1990. The dividend will be paid on approximately 4,289,161 shares outstanding.

Walbro Corporation is a designer and manufacturer of automotive and small-engine fuel system components. Walbro is headquartered in Cass City and has subsidiaries and joint ventures throughout the world, including the United States, Japan, Singapore, West Germany, Mexico, Korea and Hong Kong. Walbro common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol WALB.

WALBRO CORPORATION

Quarters Ended	Dividends Per Share	Shares Outstanding
Dec. 31, 1990	$.10	4,289,161 (est.)
Sept. 30, 1990	.10	4,289,161
June 30, 1990	.10	4,289,161
March 31, 1990	.10	4,289,161
Dec. 31, 1989	.10	4,289,161
Sept. 30, 1989	.10	4,289,436
June 30, 1989	.10	4,289,436
March 31, 1989	.10	4,053,186

CONTACT: L.E. Althaver, Gary Vollmar or Forrest Walpole of Walbro Corporation
517-872-2131

-30- 1583
#90341p1103 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) today announced that two managers in its Consumer Imaging Division have been appointed to lead the division's efforts in traditional and electronic products.

John M. Babbitt has been named general manager, Worldwide Photographic Imaging Systems. He will direct the strategic planning units responsible for color film, paper, and chemicals, and for photographic equipment.

Babbitt previously served as manager of the Worldwide Strategic Planning Unit for color films. He has been with Kodak since 1969.

Stephen S. Stepnes has been appointed general manager, Worldwide Electronic Imaging Systems. Stepnes formerly served as manager of New Business Development and launched Kodak's Photo CD program. He will oversee Worldwide Strategic Planning for image transmission, thermal, video, and Photo CD products, as well as for batteries. Stepnes resides in Pittsford, N.Y. and has 23 years of Kodak service.

"The creation of these two positions will help sharpen our focus on the customer," said Peter M. Palermo, Kodak vice president and general manager of the Consumer Imaging Division. "It will also enable us to capitalize on the synergy that exists between silver-halide and electronic technologies. Photo CD is a good example of this type of synergy."

The Photo CD system, announced in September and available in 1992, will allow 35 mm images to be scanned and written on compact discs. The pictures then can be played back on television with a Kodak Photo CD player.

Because it uses film to capture images, Photo CD offers quality that is far superior to that of conventional electronic still photography systems.

"Kodak has stated its intention to be the best in both chemical and electronic imaging," Palermo noted. "These new positions will help move us closer to our goal."

CONTACT: Paul Allen of the Eastman Kodak Company, 716-724-5802

-30- 2137
#90341p1107 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MI (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Fretter, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FTTR) today released the following:

A federal district judge found Fretter, Inc.'s price comparison advertisement truthful and refused Home Centers, Inc.'s request to enjoin such advertisements.

Home Centers, Inc. (OTC: HCEN) had complained on Thursday, Nov. 29, 1990, that certain price comparison advertisements demonstrating lower prices by Fretter, Inc. on specific home appliances and electronics were deceptive and misleading. Ohio Federal District Judge John M. Manos received evidence and testimony by both Fretter, Inc. and Home Centers, Inc.

Judge Manos on Thursday, Dec. 6, 1990, granted a directed verdict in favor of Fretter, Inc., allowing Fretter, Inc. to continue its current advertising campaign uninterrupted.

CONTACT: Stuart Garson of Fretter, Inc., (313) 353-8511.

-30- 1047
#90341p1109 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Oshman's Sporting Goods Inc. (NASDAQ: OSHM), today reported results for the third quarter and the nine months ended Nov. 3, 1990.

Third Quarter Results: Sales: $68,836,000 this year versus $67,985,000 last year. Net loss: ($2,768,000) this year versus ($2,088,000) last year. Loss per share: ($.48) this year versus ($.36) last year.

Nine Months Results: Sales: $221,291,000 this year versus $208,479,000 last year. Net loss: ($4,382,000) this year versus ($3,892,000) last year. Loss per share: ($.76) this year versus ($.67) last year.

Alvin N. Lubetkin, chief executive officer, stated that same store sales declined 2.8 percent while total sales increased 1.3 percent during the third quarter. For the nine months same store sales reflect an increase of 1.4 percent and total sales increased 6.1 percent.

Sales in the third quarter were adversely impacted by the general economic downturn. In addition, unseasonably warm weather in the Western United States contributed to a significant loss in sales of ski clothing and equipment in the California stores. Unfortunately, this warm weather trend has continued into the fourth quarter as well.

Given the current economic conditions and extreme competition for the customers dollars, the Company does not expect the final quarter to be sufficiently profitable to allow us to earn a profit for the full year.

During the quarter, the Company opened one, and closed two stores. In mid-November the Company opened its second SuperSports USA store. Initial sales for this 80,000 square foot store in Austin, Texas are exceeding projections.

At the end of the quarter, Oshman's was operating 192 stores compared to 193 at the previous year end.

On Dec. 6, 1990, the board of director's of Oshman's Sporting Goods Inc. declared a regular dividend of five cents ($.05) per share to all common stock shareholders of record on Dec. 28, 1990 with the dividend to be payable on Jan. 11, 1991.

CONTACT: Edward R. Carlin of Oshman's Sporting Goods Inc., 713-928-3171

-30- 2264

#90341p1112 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

PULASKI, VA. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Pulaski Furniture Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: PLFC) today reported operating results for the fiscal year and for the fourth quarter ended Oct. 28, 1990, and compared them with the 1989 results as follows:

PULASKI FURNITURE CORPORATION
(In thousands)

	Fourth Quarter		Year	
	Oct. 28, 1990	Oct. 29, 1989	Oct. 28, 1990	Oct. 29 1989
Net sales	$46,225	$48,240	$132,454	$131,817
Income before income taxes	3,292	5,252	7,874	9,826
Net income	2,302	3,244	5,184	6,176
Earnings per share	$0.81	$1.13	$1.81	$2.15

The increase in sales for the fiscal year ended Oct. 28, 1990, was primarily attributable to the contribution to sales by the Accentrics division, which began operations at the beginning of fiscal 1990.

The lower fourth quarter, 1990 sales was the result of continuing industry softness and the lower demand for household furniture. There is no evidence of any increase in demand, which will also impact the sales and earnings for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

The lower earnings in the 1990 quarter and fiscal 1990 are related to the deterioration of the demand for household furniture and the resulting reduced work schedules in some of the manufacturing divisions.

The board of directors at its Dec. 7, 1990, meeting authorized the purchase by the corporation of up to 200,000 shares of its common stock presently outstanding.

The board also approved increasing the quarterly dividend from 12 cents to 13 cents per common share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 18, 1990.

CONTACT: Bernard C. Wampler, president of Pulaski, 703-980-7330

-30- 2060

#90341p1114 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDMONTON, ALBERTA (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Dreco Energy Services Ltd. (Toronto: DRE.A, NASDAQ: DREAF), of Edmonton, Alberta, announced today the public offering of 1,670,000 Class ''A'' Common Shares at a price of US $7.50 per share. The offering consists of 1,000,000 Class''A'' Common Shares for the account of the company and 670,000 Class ''A'' Common Shares for the account of selling shareholders. The net proceeds to the company will be used to reduce indebtedness, fund capital expenditures and for working capital and general corporate purposes. The offering is managed by Wertheim Schroder & Co. Inc. and Howard, Weil, Labouisse, Friedrichs Inc.

The company's Class ''A'' Common Shares trade on the NASDAQ National Market System under the ticker symbol DREAF and on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol DRE.A.

Dreco Energy Services Ltd. designs, manufactures, markets and rents drilling equipment, machinery, and downhole drilling tools and motors used in the drilling and servicing of oil and gas wells, worldwide.

CONTACT: Daryl W. Ferko, treasurer & corporate controller of Dreco Energy Services Ltd., 403-463-2065

-30- 1339

#90341p1115 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM and the National Urban League today announced the formation of Drugs Destroy Dreams - A Youth Drug Intervention Program that will be implemented in Baltimore and seven other cities beginning Jan. 1.

The $1.4 million pilot program is aimed at alcohol and substance abuse by youth at risk. Working with Urban League affiliates across the country, IBM employees and retired volunteers will work as instructors and mentors to teach drug prevention and early intervention to youngsters aged 12 to 16.

The substance abuse curriculum will be taught in three-month sessions in the

eight cities. Besides Baltimore, these include Detroit; Columbia, S.C.; Providence, R.I.; Tucson, Ariz.; Tacoma; Wash.; Akron, Ohio; and Tampa, Fla.

Besides students, the program will involve parents, school officials, business leaders and community groups. It will be funded over the next three years.

John E. Jacob, president and chief executive officer, National Urban League, told a news conference here, "The dreams of our young people must not be destroyed by drugs. With the help of IBM, we are aiming this innovative drug program at one of our nation's greatest challenges."

"As business people, citizens, and parents, IBM is committed to helping our youth achieve their fullest potential," said Gerald W. Ebker, IBM vice president and president, federal sector division. "Our partnership with the National Urban League allows us to combine their expertise and IBM employee skills and talents to help our youth succeed in school and in life."

IBM spent about $60 million worldwide last year in support for a wide variety of educational programs. The curriculum of the drug prevention program has four main parts: Saying Yes and Saying No, Managing Tension, Peer Pressure and Decision Making, and Building Self-Esteem.

Students will be encouraged to develop community spirit and organize into peer counseling teams. Parents will review the curriculum and receive information on methods of reinforcing the drug-free message within their homes.

For more information about Drugs Destroy Dreams - A Youth Drug Intervention Program, call William J. Haskins, vice president for programs, National Urban League, (212) 310-9113.

CONTACT: Janet Dewart, (212) 310-9024, or Max Stamper, (212) 310-9026 (Dec. 7) (301) 523-8150, or at the Sheraton Inner Harbor Hotel, (301) 926-8300, both of the National Urban League, or Marie Givens of Baltimore Urban League, (301) 523-8150 or Cynthia A. Stevens of IBM, (914) 765-4344.

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#90341p1116 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - With yesterday's Cargolux order of three 747-400s, total 747 announcements for the year reached 170, double that of 1966, Boeing's previous record year when 85 were ordered, the company announced today.

Also, for the first time in 1990, more orders have been announced for the 747 than for the 737 which dominated Boeing order books every year since 1980 when it overtook the 727. So far in 1990, orders for 155 Boeing 737s have been recorded.

The 747-400 also has become the most ordered-type of 747, surpassing the 747-200. In the five years since its announcement, the 747-400 has recorded 397 orders, four more than the 747-200, mainstay of the superjet fleet for nearly 20 years. Orders for all variations of the 747-200, including freighters, combis and special derivatives, reached 393 before Boeing stopped taking orders for them.

In 1966, when the 747 was introduced to the world, Boeing took 83 orders for the its first offering, the 747-100, and two for the 747-200.

Pan American World Airways was the first to order the 747 in 1966 with 10 other customers placing 747 orders that year. British Airways, Japan Airlines and United Airlines are the only 1990 747 customers who also purchased 747s in 1966.

When first offered, the 747-100 cost those 11 customers $21 million each. This year, 17 customers have ordered the new technology 747-400 which costs from $125 million to $147 million, depending on options.

Since its introduction, the 747-400 has been ordered by 30 customers who will operate the newest version of the 747 well into the next century.

The 747-400 incorporates evolving technology in aerodynamics, structural materials, avionics and interior design into what is one of the world's most modern and fuel efficient airliners. Flown by a crew of two instead of the three required by earlier 747s, the 747-400 can carry as many as 400 passengers in a roomy three-class configuration more than 8,000 miles.

CONTACT: Liz Reese of the Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, 206-234-9331

-30- 2245

#90341p1125 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILWAUKEE, WIS (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Miller Brewing Company's Sharp's has emerged as the best-selling non-alcohol brew in the United States, capturing almost one-third of all category sales, just a year after its national introduction.

According to a copyrighted article in the December issue of Market Watch, a leading beverage industry publication, Sharp's has secured the category lead with an estimated 30.3 percent of the U.S. non-alcohol market. The publication estimates Sharp's will ship close to 400,000 barrels in 1990, outdistancing its closest competitors, O'Doul's, from Anheuser-Busch and G. Heileman Brewing Company's Kingsbury.

According to Market Watch, O'Doul's will ship close to 239,000 barrels and hold an estimated 18.2 percent market share. Following O'Doul's is Kingsbury, the former category leader, which the publication estimates will ship 236,000

barrels and hold a 17.9 percent market share.

Rick Burton, Sharp's brand manager, acknowledged Sharp's category leadership position.

"We've had a record-breaking year for Sharp's, thanks to consumers who have discovered our breakthrough beer taste," said Burton. "Last year at this time the jury still was out on the viability of the non- alcohol-brew category. But this year, the verdict is in and it is especially gratifying to see that beer drinkers have made Sharp's their top choice."

The non-alcohol-brew category has grown at a rate of 10-15 percent each of the past five years, but in 1990, growth has skyrocketed. Current trends indicate the overall category volume will increase nearly 90 percent in 1990, according to Market Watch's copyrighted Impact Databank figures.

Sharp's, which has 68 calories per 12-oz. serving, is available in 12-oz. bottles and 12-oz. cans. By federal regulation, non-alcohol brews contain less than .5 percent of alcohol by volume.

Miller is a wholly owned subsidiary of Philip Morris Companies Inc. Principal beer brands include Miller High Life, Miller Lite, Miller Genuine Draft, Lowenbrau, Magnum, Meister Brau and Milwaukee's Best. Miller also produces Sharp's, a non-alcoholic brew.

CONTACT: Ron Richards of Miller Brewing, 414-931-4309

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#90341p1127 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation's (NYSE: CMS) oil and gas exploration unit, Nomeco Oil & Gas Co., today announced formation of a joint venture with Tatham Offshore, Inc. (TOI) and American Hunter Exploration Ltd. for a major oil and gas development project in the Gulf of Mexico. The announcement caps off a year of substantial activity for Nomeco in the Gulf of Mexico.

TOI, a subsidiary of DeepTech International, will operate the project in the Gulf of Mexico flextrend commencing an initial well this month. The joint venture is for the exploration and development of the six-block Federal Exploratory Unit, Ewing Bank Block 915. The prospect unit is located in water depths of 1,000 feet to 1,400 feet. Nomeco has the right to earn up to a 25-percent working interest in the blocks.

The first well will be drilled to 10,300 feet at a location in Ewing Bank Block 914 and should require 45 days to reach total depth. A successful completion of the first well will result in additional drilling in 1991.

The joint venture partners plan a project development program that includes accelerated production schedules, utilizing some of the alternative development techniques employed worldwide and now making their way into Gulf of Mexico projects.

Eventual development of the prospects on the six-block unit could include several satellite fields and employ a conventional platform, subsea completion and tie-backs, and a floating production system.

Nomeco had previously announced its return to activity in the Gulf of Mexico in 1989 and it began its offshore drilling program this year after participating with other partners in Federal OCS lease sales in 1989 and 1990.

Nomeco is engaged in a broad-based exploration program in the Gulf, with its working interest ranging from 25 percent to 33 percent in 23 federal tracts. The company's total expenditure for all tracts to date is $9.0 million.

Nomeco President and Chief Executive Officer Richard J. Burgess said, "New technology, a trend toward lower acreage and drilling costs, the likelihood of a strong surge in demand for natural gas as the fuel of the future, and the belief that gas prices will strengthen are all factors behind our renewed interest in the Gulf of Mexico."

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, (517) 788-2396.

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#90341p1128 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGTON HILLS, MICH. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Douglas & Lomason Company (NASDAQ-NMS: DOUG), a major supplier to the automotive industry of seating and metal trim, declared a cash dividend of $.10 a share, payable Dec. 28, 1990, to stock of record at the close of business Dec. 17.

CONTACT: Patricia Shelton of Douglas & Lomason, 313-442-4203

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#90341p1130 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD, IL (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Xtramedics, Inc. (NASDAQ: XMED) today announced the signing of a letter of intent with an investor group, in the process of forming a privately-held company managed by former executives of feminine consumer products companies, to distribute Xtramedics' Fresh 'n Fit Padettes exclusively in the United States and Canada. A definitive distribution agreement with the distributor is being negotiated.

Under the letter of intent, Xtramedics will manufacture the product for the distributor on a cost plus arrangement. To keep the distribution rights, the

distributor must commit at least $470,000 of cash and services within six months of signing the final agreement for the development and testing of new product packaging and advertising for a mini-rollout of the product.

Thereafter, the distributor will be required to spend minimum annual amounts for marketing the product and must meet minimum purchase requirements from Xtramedics. Additionally, the distributor will advance Xtramedics funds for working capital to pay for inventory buildup as required.

Bruce N. Barron, CEO of Xtramedics, said, "Since Xtramedics does not have the resources necessary to fully take advantage of the Fresh 'n Fit Padette opportunity, we are fortunate to have reached this preliminary agreement. Although the distributor is a new entity, its management has many years of experience with large U.S. companies marketing feminine consumer products."

Steven Marcus, acting president of the distributor, said, "The signing of the letter of intent is an important first step in the process which hopefully will lead to expanded distribution of Fresh 'n Fit Padettes. We have already begun preliminary work on the market research for Fresh 'n Fit Padettes and look forward to this opportunity."

While a definitive agreement is currently being drafted there is no assurance as to when and if the transaction will be completed.

Xtramedics currently markets Fresh 'n Fit Padettes in a test market in Tallahassee, Fla. The Padette is made of sanitary, absorbent material and is about the size of one's little finger. It is intended to fill a need between internally worn tampons and externally worn sanitary napkins, pads and pantyliners.

CONTACT: Bruce N. Barron of Xtramedics, (708) 940-9872.

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#90341p1131 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLENVIEW, Ill. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Illinois Tool Works Inc. (NYSE: ITW), at its meeting today, declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 18 cents per share or 72 cents per share on an annual basis. This dividend will be payable March 1, 1991 to stockholders of record Feb. 4, 1991.

CONTACT: Stephen J. Kaye or Tim Johnson of Illinois Tool Works, 708-657-4094

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#90341p1132 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HECTOR, MN (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Communications Systems, Inc. (CSI) (NASDAQ: CSII) announced today that the company's directors have declared a cash

dividend of $.06 per share payable to shareholders of record on Dec. 21, 1990. The dividend will be distributed on Jan. 2, 1991.

CSI, headquartered in Hector, Minn., is principally engaged in the manufacture and sale of connecting devices for telephone equipment.

CONTACT: Curtis A. Sampson, Paul N. Hanson, or Avis J. Johnson, (612) 848-6231 all of CSI.

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#90341p1133 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROSLYN HEIGHTS, N.Y. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Harvey Group Inc. (AMEX: HRA) today reported comparative operating results for the three and nine months ended Oct. 27, 1990.

Consolidated revenues for the 39 weeks and 13 weeks ended Oct. 27, 1990, increased to $29,882,000 and $9,563,000, respectively, as compared to $27,695,000 and $9,171,000 for the same periods last year. The net loss for the 39 weeks and 13 weeks ended Oct. 27, 1990, was $487,000 (21 cent loss per share) and $334,000 (14 cent loss per share), respectively, as compared to net income for the 39 weeks and net loss for the 13 weeks ended Oct. 28, 1989, of $426,000 (17 cents per share) and $300,000 (12 cents loss per share), respectively. Revenues and net loss for the 39 weeks and 13 weeks ended Oct. 27, 1990, includes accrued interest income of $400,000 relating to certain income tax refunds, where realization of such amount is assured. A gain of $599,000 relating to the settlement of certain pension obligations is included in net income for the 39 weeks ended Oct. 28, 1989. The company's net loss for the 39 weeks and 13 weeks ended Oct. 27, 1990, is primarily the result of additional selling, general and administrative expenses as well as additional interest expense.

The increase in revenues for the 39 weeks ended Oct. 27, 1990, as compared to the prior year is attributable to an increase in sales in the retail division primarily resulting from the company's two new retail stores opened in the second quarter of the prior year and a retail outlet store in Secaucus, N.J., opened in February 1990. Commission income for the food division also increased for the 39 weeks ended Oct. 27, 1990, as compared to the prior year, due to the addition of new principals as well as new product introductions from existing principals. Revenues for both the retail and food division remained unchanged for the 13 weeks ended Oct. 27, 1990, as compared to the prior year.

The Harvey Group Inc. is engaged in the food brokerage business and the retail sale and service of consumer electronic equipment.

CONTACT: Dennis Wilson, executive VP and CFO of the Harvey Group, 516-621-3366

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#90341p1137 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Banyan Corp. (AMEX: BYC) today announced it was seeking approval of its stockholders for an amendment to its Certificate of Incorporation that would restrict certain transfers of its common stock. The board of directors has approved the amendment in an attempt to protect certain federal income tax benefits.

The company stated that the charter amendment would restrict transfers of the company's capital stock that might otherwise result in the imposition of limitations on the use for federal income tax purposes of the company's carry-forward of net operating losses and credits, which as of the end of its fiscal year ended June 2, 1990, approximated $31 million.

The application of this amendment will require owners of more than 4.75 percent in aggregate value of the company's then outstanding capital stock which contemplate additional purchases and entities or groups which as a result of the contemplated purchases would own in excess of 4.75 percent of the company's outstanding stock to obtain approval of the board of directors prior to the purchase of such stock. If such approval is not obtained the transfer in excess of 4.75 percent will be void. Changes in ownership in excess of this percentage could result in the limitation of the company's ability to use its existing and future loss carryforwards and credits.

The amendment will be presented to the stockholders for approval, along with the election of directors, at its annual meeting set for Jan. 14, 1991. Proxy materials explaining these matters are being distributed to stockholders.

CONTACT: Robert H. Miller of Banyan, 212-629-1761

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#90341p1144 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Wolters Kluwer announced today that on Jan. 1, 1991, it will acquire the scientific publishing list from (East) Berlin publisher Volk und Wissen.

The list comprises books and journals in the social sciences, in particular pedagogics. Publishing will be continued by Wolters Kluwer operating company Hermann Luchterhand Verlag. Twenty-four employees are involved.

Luchterhand, with branches in Neuwied and Frankfurt (Main), will now also have a branch in Berlin. With this takeover Wolters Kluwer further strengthens its position in the German social sciences market. In Germany, Wolters Kluwer is also active in law/taxation and educational publishing.

Wolters Kluwer is a multinational publisher with operations spanning Europe

and North America. Sales for 1989 were $1 billion, of which ten percent was derived from U.S. operations. The Lippincott acquisition raised U.S. generated sales to approximately 17 percent on an annual basis. Wolters Kluwer shares are available in the United States through a pink-sheet ADR program sponsored by the Morgan Guaranty Trust Company.

CONTACT: Wolters Kluwer public relations, in Amsterdam, 0-20-56-45-412; or Fern Lazar or Debra Wasser of Dewe Rogerson, in New York, (212) 688-6840, for Wolters Kluwer.

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#90341p1145 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Possis Corporation (NASDAQ: POSS) announced today its results for its fiscal first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

POSSIS CORPORATION

Three Months Ended:	9/31/90	9/31/89
Revenues	$5,076,739	$3,570,118
Net loss	(47,169)	(246,581)
Per share	$(.01)	$(.03)

Technical services, waterjet equipment, and medical products revenues all showed significant increases. Research and development expenses on medical products continued at a high level.

CONTACT: Z.C. Possis of Possis Corporation, (612) 545-1471.

-30- 788

#90341p1146 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, NY (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Effective Dec. 10, 1990, M&T Bank, a $5.6 billion regional commerical bank, lowered its prime rate from 10.00 percent to 9.75 percent. M&T is the principal subsidiary of Buffalo-headquartered First Empire State Corporation (AMEX: FES), a $7.9 billion bank holding company.

CONTACT: Nancy L. Brock of M&T Bank, 716-842-5385

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#90341p1147 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CA (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Marrow-Tech Inc. (NASDAQ: MAROA, MAROZ) announced today that data from a study reporting the successful use of its proprietary three-dimensional bone marrow culture system to produce Natural Killer Cells was presented this week at the American Society of Hematology meeting in Boston. The presentation was conducted by Amin Tjota, M.D., Ph.D., of the Children's Hospital of Buffalo.

Natural Killer (N.K.) cells are an important component of the immune surveillance system which are capable of killing a wide variety of tumor targets. Conventional clinical therapy utilizing N.K. cells to kill solid tumors is limited by the inability to harvest sufficient numbers of cells for effective treatment. Research data presented by Tjota indicates that Marrow-Tech's three-dimensional culture system makes possible the long-term continued proliferation of N.K. cells which retain the ability to kill tumor cells in vitro. Commenting on the significance of the study, Tjota said, "The Marrow-Tech culture system enhances the numbers of active Natural Killer Cells. Use of this system for N.K. cell production has the potential of allowing more effective tumor kill in patients." Tjota and Marrow-Tech scientists will continue to examine in vivo tumor kill by N.K. cells produced in three- dimensions.

Marrow-Tech is engaged in the growth of human tissue outside the body. The company's proprietary tissue culture system has a number of potential therapeutic and laboratory applications. To date, the company has successfully grown bone marrow, skin and liver tissue. The company was recently granted FDA approval to commence clinical trials on DermaGraft(TM), a living dermal replacement for use in the treatment of burn patients.

CONTACT: Gail K. Naughton, Ph.D., senior VP & chief scientific officer of Marrow-Tech Inc., 619-450-5731

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#90341p1148 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Quanex Corp. (NYSE: NX), a leading manufacturer of specialty metal products, today announced the company replaced its existing bank credit agreement with a new $40 million unsecured Bank Credit Agreement. The Quanex bank group, comprised of six banks led by Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit, continues participation in the new agreement. The new agreement consists of a revolving credit facility, renewable annually, which expires March 31, 1994, including up to $20 million for standby letters of credit. Borrowings will bear interest at either the prime rate or a reserve adjusted Eurodollar rate. No borrowing is currently outstanding under the new credit facility.

Corporate Profile Quanex is a technological leader in the manufacture of steel, aluminum and titanium specialty metal products for transportation, capital equipment, home building and remodeling and energy processing markets.

Latest 12 month data: sales; $650.3 million, operating earnings: $57.2 million, net income: $28 million, cash from operations: $55.5 million, primary earnings per share: $2.03, quarterly dividend rate: 10 cents per share (12 cents as of Dec. 31, 1990), book value per share: $12.33, return on shareholders' equity: 17.8 percent, common stock price range (52 week High/Low) $18-5/8 and $9-1/8.

CONTACT: W.F. Cleary, or C.A. Meador, both of Quanex Corp., 713-961-4600

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#90341p1149 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Electrolux Autoliv AB and Gilardini, which belongs to FIAT, have reached an agreement for Gilardini to acquire the seat-belt operations of Autoliv in Italy with effect from Dec. 1, 1990.

Gilardini's business includes the manufacture of products for the automotive industry and the company is already well established as a seat-belt supplier.

As part of this agreement, Gilardini has become a licensee for the Autoliv products currently manufactured in Italy.

CONTACT: Ake Almgren, president of Autoliv, 46-8-7388135 or 46-21-184108, or Fern Lazar or Debra Wasser of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for Autoliv

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#90341p1151 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORCROSS, GA (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - CytRx Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTR) today announced the introduction of Hunter's TiterMax(TM), an immunologic adjuvant for the basic research community.

TiterMax(TM) is the first product of CytRx's own technology. CytRx is rapidly developing technology for vaccine adjuvants.

Jack Luchese, CytRx president and CEO, said, "Hunter's TiterMax(TM) finally provides scientists with a reliable alternative to Freund's Complete Adjuvant. Scientists, technicians and animal care committees want an adjuvant which is safer, more productive and easier to use than Freund's," said Luchese. "We believe Hunter's TiterMax(TM) is the answer. It produces high antibody titer levels and offers low toxicity. It entraps almost any antigen in a water-in-oil emulsion, so it's extremely reliable. TiterMax(TM) is cost effective because higher titers can be achieved with fewer injections in a shorter period of time."

TiterMax(TM) was developed by Robert L. Hunter, M.D., Ph.D., professor of pathology at Emory University in Atlanta and vice president of research of CytRx. He has conducted adjuvant research for more than 20 years. TiterMax(TM) was developed in response to the basic research community's need for a more reliable alternative with less toxicity. "The TiterMax(TM) formulation was selected from over 200 experimental formulations because it consistently produced higher titers than Freund's with much lower toxicity," Hunter said. "It combines the advantages of a stable, metabolizable water-in-oil emulsion with the potent adjuvant activity of CytRx's new block

copolymer."

CytRx Corp. is a pharmaceutical company engaged in the research and development of therapeutics incorporating copolymers. The company's products are intended for use in the treatment of vascular, immune system and infectious diseases and animal growth promotion.

CONTACT: CytRx Corp. public relations, 404-368-9500

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#90341p1153 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Ecolab Inc. (NYSE: ECL) declared a quarterly cash dividend of $0.175 per share, to be paid Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 18, 1990. The new indicated annual cash dividend of $0.70 per share represents a 6 percent increase over the prior cash dividend rate.

Ecolab has paid cash dividends for 54 consecutive years. Ecolab last declared a dividend increase in August 1988.

Ecolab is a leading worldwide developer and marketer of premium cleaning, sanitizing and maintenance services for the hospitality, institutional and residential markets. For the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, Ecolab reported sales of $1.3 billion and earnings of $34.2 million, after preferred dividends, or $1.25 per share, excluding a one-time charge of $(31.5) million, or $(1.15) per share. Ecolab shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange under the symbol ECL.

CONTACT: Reid J.D Dabney, 612-293-2482; or Karen J. Kelsey, 612-293-2143, both of Ecolab

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#90341p1156 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, AZ (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntellect Inc. (NASDAQ: SYNL) announced today that it has authorized a stock repurchase program whereby up to 500,000 shares of its common stock may be repurchased in the open market from time to time. The company stated that its board of directors believes that the recent trading prices of the company's stock are not reflective of the company's true value. Accordingly, the company's board has authorized the repurchase program to reduce the number of outstanding shares, thereby increasing earnings per share, and so that the repurchased shares can be used for stock option and incentive plans, for acquisitions or for future equity financings at more favorable prices.

Syntellect Inc. develops and markets a family of interactive voice response systems, and is the leading supplier of these systems worldwide. Interactive

voice response technology links touchtone telephones with computer-processed vocabulary to help revolutionize the way organizations provide information, deliver services and control the flow of products. Syntellect is headquartered in Phoenix.

CONTACT: Philip Chapman, CFO, or Evon Theis, investor relations, 602-789-2800 of Syntellect Inc.

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#90341p1157 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIX, AZ (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntellect Inc. (NASDAQ: SYNL) announced today that it has authorized a stock repurchase program whereby up to 500,000 shares of its common stock may be repurchased in the open market from time to time. The company stated that its board of directors believes that the recent trading prices of the company's stock are not reflective of the company's true value. Accordingly, the company's board has authorized the repurchase program to reduce the number of outstanding shares, thereby increasing earnings per share, and so that the repurchased shares can be used for stock option and incentive plans, for acquisitions or for future equity financings at more favorable prices.

Syntellect Inc. develops and markets a family of interactive voice response systems, and is the leading supplier of these systems worldwide. Interactive voice response technology links touchtone telephones with computer-processed vocabulary to help revolutionize the way organizations provide information, deliver services and control the flow of products. Syntellect is headquartered in Phoenix.

CONTACT: Philip Chapman, CFO, or Evon Theis, investor relations, 602-789-2800 of Syntellect Inc.

-30- 1385

#90341p1158 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - First Fidelity Bancorporation (NYSE: FFB) announced today that it would reduce its prime rate from 10 percent to 9.75 percent at all of its affiliate banks, effective Monday.

First Fidelity, with $29 billion in assets and 500 offices in New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania, is among the country's 25 largest banking companies.

CONTACT: Paul J. Levine of First Fidelity Bancorporation, 201-565-2949

-30- 593

#90341p1162 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OH (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - In a Dec. 5 letter to AT&T (NYSE: T)

Chairman Robert E. Allen, NCR (NYSE: NCR) Chairman Chuck Exley said, "NCR is prepared to commence negotiations if AT&T offers to pay not less than $125 per NCR share." Exley has responded to questions regarding that statement.

Q. Does the fact that the Board set $125 per share as the "full and fair value" for NCR shares mean that NCR is for sale?

A. "No. In the name of rationality and in recognition of its fiduciary responsibility to NCR shareholders, the Board felt obligated to set a "full value" price for shares. It would be preposterous for us to say there is no price we would accept. The fact that the Board set a price does not mean that we want to sell the company -- the company is not for sale.

"We want AT&T to go away and leave us alone so that we can get on with our new product programs, which represent a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to revolutionize the computer industry. If we are to realize NCR's extraordinary potential, we must be free to dedicate all our energies and resources to the task at hand."

Q. Some analysts are saying that this is part of the negotiation process.

A. "This is not a negotiating tactic. The "full and fair value" has been set by the Board at $125 per share -- not $124.50 or anything less.

"At the same time the Board has said that if AT&T cannot offer NCR shareholders this fair value, NCR will use every means at its disposal to protect NCR shareholders and other stakeholders against this hostile takeover attempt."

Q. AT&T has called NCR's full value price "outrageous." A. "In my letter of December 5, I told Mr. Allen that we will provide AT&T with non-public information concerning NCR to support that price if, and only if, AT&T enters into a customary confidentiality and standstill agreement providing appropriate assurance that if AT&T refuses to go forward at that price level, it would immediately terminate its effort to acquire NCR.

"If AT&T finds $125 per share outrageous, that's fine with us. We want them to go away and leave us alone."

CONTACT: Lola Signom, 513-445-2257, Connie Olasz, 513-445-1139, Robert Farkas 513-445-2078, Mark Feighery, 513-445-2033, Jim Cortese, 513-445-2009, or Kelly Kramer, 513-445-2058, all of NCR Corporation

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#90341p1163 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The shareholders of LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: LMTS) elected Jean-Louis Gassee and John H. Meyer

to the board of directors at the Annual Meeting held Dec. 6, 1990.

Mr. Gassee is currently chairman and CEO of Be Labs, Inc., a San Mateo, Calif.-developer of personal computer technologies. As a nine- year veteran of Apple Computers, Inc., Gassee was president of Apple Products Division, where he directed Apple's global product functions, including product marketing, worldwide manufacturing and research and development. Previously, he had started and directed Apple's French subsidiary, which became and remains Apple's largest business unit outside the United States. Gassee was the key Apple executive responsible for the accord between Apple and Microsoft Corporation, which aimed at replacing the Adobe Postscript page description language with the TrueImage page description language developed by Microsoft. Before joining Apple, Gassee had senior management positions with Exxon Office Systems and Data General Corporation. He is currently a director of Cray Computer Corporation.

Meyer is president of DLJ Software, Inc., of Salinas, Calif. He was president and cofounder of Ventura Software, Inc., which developed and promoted the Ventura Publisher desktop publishing program as a standard for performance in the publishing industry. Meyer and his partners sold Ventura Software to Xerox Corporation in early 1990. Prior to that, Meyer was director of marketing for Digital Research Corporation.

Mel Masters, CEO of LaserMaster commented, "We are very pleased to have Mr. Gassee and Mr. Meyer join our board. Their experience will be an extremely valuable resource in LaserMaster's continued growth."

LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets laser printer and display systems and subsystems for high quality electronic printing and desktop publishing applications. LaserMaster's products include high performance printer controllers, plain-paper desktop typesetters and integrated electronic publishing systems which feature the company's proprietary TurboRes(TM) resolution enhancement technology.

CONTACT: Karen Neset of LaserMaster, 612-941-8687

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#90341p1167 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - General Oriental Investments Limited (GOIL) announces that it has completed its acquisition from an affiliate of Hanson PLC of an effective 42 percent stake in Newmont Mining Corporation (Newmont) for U.S. $1.111 billion in cash.

GOIL also announces that it has completed the sale of all the stock of General Oriental Securities Limited (GOSL) to an affiliate of Hanson PLC for $1.111 billion in cash. GOSL's principal asset is an 85 percent interest in Cavenham Forest Industies, which is a large private owner of U.S. timberlands and a

substantial U.S. lumber producer.

As a result of the sale of GOSL, GOIL has disposed of its only operating subsidiary and is now primarily an investment company. GOIL's intention is to reduce, in due course and as market conditions permit, its holding in Newmont so as to further diversify its investments.

CONTACT: C.H. Bailey, Director, General Oriental Investments Ltd., 01144753830707

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#90341p1171 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Chubb Corporation (NYSE: CB) today declared a regular quarterly dividend in the amount of $0.33 per share payable Jan. 8, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 21, 1990.

CONTACT: Gail E. Devlin, 212-612-4057, or Glenn A. Montgomery, 908-580-2365, both of Chubb

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#90341p1172 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, AL. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Sonat Inc. (NYSE: SNT) today announced that Sonat Exploration Company has entered into an agreement to purchase certain oil and gas producing properties from Argent Energy, Inc. ("Argent"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Sunshine Mining Company. The properties are located primarily in Oklahoma and Wyoming. Consummation of the transaction is subject to various conditions, including federal antitrust regulatory clearance.

Sonat Exploration Company will acquire approximately 208,000 gross developed acres and 410,000 gross undeveloped acres of oil and gas producing properties with interest in 559 gross and 218 net producing oil and gas wells. The total proved developed and undeveloped reserves attributed to this transaction is approximately 184 Bcf gas equivalent. Total cash paid for this acquisition will amount to approximately $150 million before adjustments. Closing is expected to occur in early January 1991.

Sonat Exploration Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Sonat Inc. Sonat Inc., headquartered in Birmingham, Ala., is a worldwide energy company involved in natural gas transmission and marketing, oil and gas exploration and production, and oil services.

CONTACT: Thomas W. Barker, Jr. of Sonat, 205-325-3586

-30- 1467
#90341p1176 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Chubb Corporation (NYSE: CB) is today announced that at the regular meeting of its board of directors held today, Theresa M. Stone was elected a senior vice president of the corporation.

Prior to joining Chubb, Stone was a principal of Morgan Stanley & Co., Inc., specializing in providing merger and acquisition services to insurance companies. She had been with Morgan Stanley since 1976.

CONTACT: Gail E. Devlin, 212-612-4057, or Glenn A. Montgomery, 908-580-2365, both of Chubb

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#90341p1179 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
ANN ARBOR, MICH. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - InterFirst Bankcorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: INFB), holding company for InterFirst Federal Savings Bank, today reported that the net income of the bank was $262,664 for the third quarter of 1990, as compared to a loss of $82,675 during the same period last year. The change in net income was primarily the result of a $405,936 before-tax gain on sale of loan servicing during the quarter.

According to Stanley H. Rhodes, chairman and chief executive officer, "This quarter's income reflects the sale of loan servicing which is a fundamental and recurring element of InterFirst's mortgage banking business."

The gain on servicing resulted from the sale of $28,478,643 of loan servicing at a gross price of $454,436. After the sale of servicing, the portfolio of loans serviced for others decreased only slightly from $294,655,943 to $293,291,592 during the quarter. Retained income for the bank increased to $5,860,381 as of Sept. 30, 1990.

InterFirst converted to a stock institution on Nov. 9, 1990, through the issue of 257,399 shares of common stock to the public at a price of $8 per share. First of Michigan Corporation advised the bank and assisted in the sale of the stock which raised $2,059,192 in gross proceeds. Based on net proceeds of $1,451,584, the pro forma stockholder's equity of the bank as of Sept. 30, 1990, was $28.41. The bank's third-quarter earnings equate to $1.02 per share of outstanding stock, or $1.11 per share, on a pro forma basis (assuming investment of the proceeds from the bank's conversion).

"InterFirst's net interest income also increased significantly," said Rhodes. Net interest income increased from $621,154 in the third quarter of 1989 to $774,438 in the current quarter, an increase of 25 percent. "This increase is a result of an increase in the asset size of the bank as well as a more favorable interest rate climate," according to Rhodes, "and reflects the increasing core income at InterFirst."

Non-interest expense increased from $694,267 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989, to $1,045,963 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. "This change is due primarily to an increase in the number of employees at the bank needed to support our increased asset size and also the new branch office that has recently been opened in Ann Arbor," Rhodes said.

The bank had no real estate owned (foreclosed loans) as of Sept. 30, 1990, and non-performing loans as a percentage of assets decreased from 0.49 percent to 0.38 percent from Sept. 30, 1989, to Sept. 30, 1990.

InterFirst Bankcorp, Inc., through its subsidiary, InterFirst Federal Savings Bank, operates five branch offices in Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, Ypsilanti Township Milan and Saline, Mich., and provides mortgage banking services from its corporate headquarters in Ann Arbor.

INTERFIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK
SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	9-30-90	12-31-89
Total assets	$135,382,704	$86,728,299
Loans receivable, net	74,914,011	67,718,627
Mortgage-backed securities	50,898,965	10,521,895
Deposits	50,581,656	43,862,796
Advances from FHLB and other borrowings	14,000,000	15,500,000
Securities sold under agreement to repurchase	47,849,263	9,732,814
Retained income	5,860,381	5,470,218
Loan serviced for others	293,291,592	244,564,529

SELECTED OPERATING DATA

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9-30-90	9-30-89	9-30-90	9-30-89
Total interest income	$2,668,949	$2,139,227	$6,651,575	$6,214,094
Total interest expense	1,894,511	1,518,072	4,505,019	4,687,209
Net interest income before provision	774,438	621,154	2,146,556	1,526,885
Provision for loan loss	(17,853)	(2,057)	(70,777)	3,249
Loan fees and service charges	269,039	214,653	778,631	656,190
Net gain on sale of servicing	405,936	2,533	780,794	265,762
Other non-interest income	12,610	5,632	20,784	26,617
Non-interest expense	(1,045,963)	(694,267)	(2,705,048)	(2,090,553)
Net gain (loss) on				

sale of loans	(14,642)	(252,323)	(325,378)	(222,727)
Income before federal income taxes	383,564	(104,675)	625,563	165,423
Provision for federal income taxes	120,900	(22,000)	235,400	40,000
Net income	$262,664	($82,675)	$390,163	$125,423

CONTACT: Stanley H. Rhodes of InterFirst Bankcorp, Inc., 313-665-3700

-30- 5041

#90341p1182 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Republic Waste Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: RWIN) announced today a Registration Statement covering 1,650,000 new shares at a price to the public of $7 per share was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission at 9:00 a.m. Eastern time today. The underwriters representatives are PaineWebber Inc. and The Chicago Corporation. The proceeds of the offering will be used to complete certain pending acquisitions and pay obligations arising from recent acquisitions of several solid waste companies by Republic.

Republic is an integrated solid waste company providing collection, disposal and other support services. The company's common stock is traded under the NASDAQ symbol RWIN.

CONTACT: David M.K. Ruth of Republic Waste Industries Inc., 713-956-1110

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#90341p1186 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CROYDON, UNITED KINGDOM (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - United Artists Communications, the United Kingdom's largest cable television operator, has today proved it is one step ahead of the telecommunications market with the launch of a quality alternative business telephone service in Croydon.

The move into telephone service comes just three weeks after the publication of the duopoly review and confirms the company's expectations of a more open marketplace for telecommunications. The duopoly review was a government review and recommendation of action for the liberalizing of the United Kingdom's telecommunications marketplace.

In addition, United Artists believes it represents the biggest opportunity for consumer choice yet offered by a cable operator in the United Kingdom.

United Artists Communications is a subsidiary of United Artists Entertainment of Denver, the third largest cable television operator in the United States. U S WEST Cable Communications, a subsidiary of U S WEST Inc. of Englewood, Colo., also is a partner in the Croydon franchise.

Introduced initially in the central Croydon business district, the service is currently being extended to the boroughs of Sutton, Merton, Kingston and Richmond and will eventually be available to 400,000 other homes and businesses in the area. It will also be made available to other United Artists' U.K. franchises, including Avon, South Essex, the Medway towns, Edinburgh and the Cotswolds.

Croydon is now recognized as the country's seventh largest commercial center, home to 10,000 businesses occupying 3.5 million square feet of space.

Commenting on the initiative, Stephen Horsley, general manager of United Artists Communications' south London operation, said: "Croydon is only the beginning. We have already started to offer telephony to the Sutton residential community and are currently extending the service throughout our remaining London South franchises.

The Croydon telephony service will offer a local loop of high-quality digital telephone and facsimile lines, which, by linking through Mercury Communications' national and international network, can call anywhere in the world. United Artists is also committed to providing a greater degree of service than is currently being offered.

The service offers a number of benefits, including: -- Connection typically within five working days. -- Response to problems within two working hours. -- Fiber optic digital technology for perfect call clarity. -- Itemized and monthly billing, for added control. -- Low-cost installation. -- Significant call charge savings. -- Choice of supply.

CONTACT: Ed Mattix or Rebecca Herbst of U S West Cable Communications, 303-649-4676

-30- 2930

#90341p1192 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Coseka Resources Limited (Toronto: CKS) and North Canadian Oils Limited (Toronto, Montreal, AMEX: NCO) announce that at meetings held on Dec. 7, 1990 Coseka Shareholders and Creditors have overwhelmingly approved the Plan of Arrangement filed with the Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta on Oct. 29, 1990.

As previously reported, the meetings of Coseka Shareholders and Creditors were held in accordance with an Order of the Court on Oct. 29, 1990 which, pursuant to the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act and the Canada Business Corporations Act, ordered Coseka to hold the meetings to obtain the approval of the plan.

The purpose of the plan is to reorganize Coseka's debt and equity fairly among

the Shareholders and Creditors affected by the plan in order to avoid the bankruptcy or liquidation of Coseka or any other such proceedings.

Now that Coseka has obtained approval of Shareholders and Creditors, an Application will be made to the Court on Dec. 18, 1990 seeking a Final Order approving the Plan. At that time the Court will consider, among other things, the fairness of any aspect of the Plan.

North Canadian Oils Limited is a financially and technically strong, Canadian oil and gas exploration, production and marketing company. NCO's common shares are traded on the Toronto and Montreal Stock Exchanges in Canada and the American Stock Exchange in the United States.

Coseka Resources Limited is a Calgary-based company engaged in the oil and gas business and its shares are traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: John D. Gunn, president and chief executive officer of Coseka Resources Limited, (403) 261-3610 or; G. Barry Padley, Sr. VP, Finance and Administration of North Canadian Oils Limited, (403) 261-4320.

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#90341p1193 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Midway Airlines (NYSE: MDW) today announced that it has concluded the sale to USAir (NYSE: U) of its leasehold assets at Philadelphia International Airport, according to David R. Hinson, chairman and chief executive officer.

The transaction includes the sale of Midway's terminal, cargo and other facilities and equipment at Philadelphia International Airport, its route authority in the Philadelphia-Toronto and Philadelphia-Montreal markets and USAir's assumption of certain air traffic liabilities. The transfer of the Canadian route authority will be completed following receipt of approvals by the United States and Canadian regulatory authorities.

In the transaction the company received $39.5 million in cash at the closing, with an additional $20 million to be paid on May 1, 1991 and $5 million to be paid on transfer of the Canadian route authority.

"The sale of the Philadelphia assets is the linchpin of the company's strategic plan to refocus operations at its Midway Airport hub and return to profitability," said Hinson.

"While the establishment of the hub at Philadelphia in November 1989 was the right move at the time, unprecedented increases in the cost of aviation fuel have made this operational redeployment necessary," he said.

According to Hinson, over the next five months Midway will gradually withdraw

flights from its Philadelphia hub to minimize disruption and to insure that the thousands of passengers now ticketed on Midway are accommodated.

Thereafter, Midway will continue to serve Philadelphia with a substantial number of non-stop flights to its Chicago Midway Airport hub which will offer convenient through and connecting services to the Midway cities beyond Chicago.

Midway Airlines offers coast-to-coast service from its hubs at Chicago's close-in Midway Airport and Philadelphia International Airport. Midway Airlines and its wholly owned subsidiary, the Midway Commuter, serve 60 destinations in the United States, Canada, U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Bahamas.

CONTACT: Sandra Allen of Midway Airlines, (312) 838-4813.

-30- 2322
#90341p1196 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARIS (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Automobiles Peugeot will establish a sales and service subsidiary in Algeria early next year, the Paris-based automaker announced today.

The company's goal is to sell 15,000 vehicles annually and to establish Peugeot service centers on par with those in Europe.

According to Automobiles Peugeot, this is the first step towards an industrial agreement in Algeria that could result in vehicle and components production.

Automobiles Peugeot, which sells vehicles in 115 countries worldwide, is already doing business in Tunisia and Morocco. The company's market share in Northern Africa is approximately 40 percent.

9CONTACT: Kim Derderian or Chris Dirato of Peugeot Motors of America, 201-935-8419

-30- 907
#90341p1205 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - In a move to redeploy assets, BellSouth Corporation (NYSE: BLS) today announced it has sold its U.S. equipment leasing portfolio held by its Dataserv Inc. subsidiary to Meridian Leasing Corporation. The sale was completed after certain assets of the portfolio were sold to Sanwa Business Credit Corporation.

Terms of the sale of the data processing and check sorting equipment leasing business to Meridian, and the sale of the point-of-sale equipment leasing activities to Sanwa were not disclosed.

The sale and closing costs associated with the transactions are expected to result in a charge of approximately $30 million, or $0.06 per share, against BellSouth's 1990 earnings. Dataserv will continue to provide data processing parts and maintenance, and BellSouth also continues to operate a data processing leasing business in Europe through its Dataserv International subsidiary.

BellSouth also announced a charge against goodwill of its Air Call Communications subsidiary. The charge against Air Call of $22 million, or about $0.05 per share, is designed to more accurately reflect the current value of the company given volatile conditions in the United Kingdom cellular resale market.

Air Call is BellSouth's only cellular resale operation. In all its other cellular activities, BellSouth companies own part or all of the cellular license.

In addition to its more than 600,000 domestic cellular customers, BellSouth has significant interests in cellular properties in Mexico, Argentina, New Zealand and Uruguay.

BellSouth is an international telecommunications holding company. Its subsidiaries offer local telephone service in nine southeastern states and mobile communications service worldwide, provide advertising and publishing services, and market and maintain stand-alone and fully integrated communications systems.

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-30- 2125

#90341p1209 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) today announced that its Ektar color negative films in ISO 25 and ISO 1000 speeds are now available through mass merchandisers, drug, food and discount stores.

Introduced in 1989, Ektar 25 and Ektar 1000 films previously were offered exclusively through photo specialty retailers. The ultra-sharp Ektar 25 film requires careful exposure, often in single-lens reflex cameras offered by these dealers.

Ektar 125 film has been available through a wider distribution, including mass merchants, drug stores and supermarkets. While intended for use by advanced amateur photographers in SLR cameras, Ektar 125 also delivers impressive results in non-SLR, 35 mm cameras, and so received broader distribution.

Dealers of Kodak products may consult the December, 1990 Kodak Trade Circular for full details on the expanded availability of 35 mm Ektar films.

CONTACT: Paul Allen of the Eastman Kodak Company, 716-724-5802

-30- 1179

#90341p1213 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Bernard E. DeLury, director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, issued an invitation to the Allied Printing Trades Unions and the New York Daily News management to meet under the auspices of the service in Washington at the earliest possible time.

Many of the Allied Unions have been meeting with federal mediators in the New York City District Offices since January in an effort to replace agreements which expired on Mar. 30, 1990. A dispute with the Drivers' Union on Oct. 25 turned into a strike of nine of the News' unions. The strike now involves more than 2,500 union members.

"The Daily News has always been an integral part of the economic and community life of the New York metropolitan area," DeLury said, "and the Federal Mediation Service will continue to exhaust every effort to assist labor and management in reaching a settlement in this dispute."

CONTACT: James F. Power of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, 202-653-5290

-30- 1179

#90341p1214 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - A federal district court judge today extended a temporary restraining order which allows the Daily News to continue selling newspapers in the New York transit system. The judge, Miriam Goldman Cedarbaum, extended the order to Monday, Dec. 17, at which time it is expected that she will decide whether to grant longer-term injunctive relief to the News. The News had argued that the MTA's action banning hawker sales violated the News' First Amendment rights.

"We are pleased with this ruling which allows us to continue our already successful hawker program in the subways, on the Long Island Rail Road, and in Metro North stations," said John Sloan, News vice president. "We are selling papers at over 100 locations in the transit system, and the judge has today affirmed our right to continue to do so."

Newsstand dealers who operate in the subways have stated that they refuse to handle the Daily News because of fear of physical harm to themselves and their businesses. The dealers continue to sell other newspapers throughout the transit system and had sold the News until the strike began.

Hawkers, including those working in the transit system, have been selling in

excess of 200,000 copies of the News each day.

CONTACT: John Sloan, vice president of Daily News, 212-210-6349

-30- 1519

#90341p1221 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Coudert Brothers, the international law firm announced today the election of eight new partners, seven in the firm's New York office and one in Brussels.

With the opening in 1990 of an office in Bangkok, Coudert Brothers' 362 attorneys now practice law in 17 cities and 12 counties on five continents. Coudert Brothers has an extensive practice in transnational corporate, trade, commercial, real estate, tax and banking law and international litigation and arbitration.

Founded in 1854 in New York, Coudert Brothers opened its first overseas office in Paris in 1879. The firm's newest office broadens its presence in Asia, where the firm also practices in Hong Kong, Singapore, Beijing, Shanghai and Tokyo. In addition to U.S. offices in New York, Washington, Los Angeles, San Francisco and San Jose, the firm also has offices in London, Brussels, Sydney and Sao Paulo, and in 1988 became the first foreign law firm to establish an office in Moscow.

The new partners in New York are Steven H. Becker, Pamela T. Church, Jeffrey E. Cohen, Thomas J. Drago, Patrick B. Fenn, Michael J. Hagan and Seth A. Ribner. Paulette Vander Schueren practices in the firm's Brussels office.

Steven H. Becker graduated from Cornell University (1977) and Vanderbilt University School of Law (1980). He has been with the firm since 1980 and specializes in customs matters.

Pamela T. Church, who is fluent in German, graduated from Yale University (1978) and New York University School of Law (1982). She has been engaged in general corporate and commercial practice since joining Coudert Brothers in 1982.

Jeffrey E. Cohen, who specializes in corporate law, joined the firm in 1982. Between his graduation from Princeton University in 1972 and Harvard Law School in 1982, he earned a master's degree and taught English literature at Yale University,.

Thomas J. Drago, a graduate of Fordham University (1979) and Fordham University School of Law (1982), joined Coudert Brothers in 1988. His expertise is in general corporate and securities law.

Patrick B. Fenn joined the firm in 1982 and specializes in tax law, He

graduated from the University of Virginia (1977) and the University of Virginia School of Law (1982).

Michael J. Hagan, a corporate generalist, joined Coudert Brothers in 1982. He is a graduate of Providence College (1972) and Georgetown University Law Center (1982).

Seth A. Ribner, formerly with the firm of Thatcher & Bartlett, has joined Coudert Brothers as a partner in the firm's insurance litigation practice. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees in American Civilization from the University of Pennsylvania in 1979 and his law degree from Columbia University School of Law in 1982.

Paulette Vander Schueren, who concentrates on European Community and Belgian law in the firm's Brussels office, is fluent in English, Dutch, French and German. She graduated from the University Faculty of St. Aloysius (1976) and Catholic University of Leuven (1979) and joined the firm in 1981.

CONTACT: James B. Sitrick, chairman of the executive committee of Coudert Brothers, 212-880-4400

-30- 3353

#90341p1225 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Just in time for holiday gift-giving -- for those who have time on their hands -- or just like to be up on the hottest trends, the ring watch is here, Kaufmann's announced today.

"It's definitely the hottest selling gift item we have in accessories. The demand has been so strong that we sent our buyer to New York and she literally carried thousands back with her," said Alvin Kingsley, Kaufmann's senior vice president, general merchandising manager.

See Kaufmann's collection of fashion ring watches in goldtone and silvertone, $23 and $30. Patrons may choose from round, square or heart-shaped faces with Roman or Arabic numberals, some accented with rhinestone bezels. They have spandex bands, so one size fits all, the spokesman said. Selection varies by store.

CONTACT: Erika Kirby of Kaufmann's, 412-232-2906

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#90341p1230 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - NWA Inc. today named William D. Slattery chairman of its flight training subsidiary, Northwest Aerospace Training Corporation. Slattery, who will continue his duties as Northwest Airlines executive vice president of operations, succeeds John Dasburg, Northwest's

president and chief executive officer, who was acting as NATCO chairman.

In an administrative re-organization, Northwest's flight operations staff will move to NATCO's headquarters building. In addition, some of NATCO's flight training will be combined with Northwest's flight training department. NATCO will continue to focus on training Northwest pilots but also will train flight crews from other airlines, corporations, and governments.

"The move will improve communications between Northwest and NATCO and result in significant operating efficiencies," Slattery said. "I look forward to leading NATCO, which has earned a solid reputation for providing quality pilot training during its first four years," Slattery said. "Its substantial training resources play a key role in the success of Northwest's flight operations as well as serving the needs of its other clients."

With his new responsibilities, Slattery will oversee Northwest's flight operations, technical operations, ground services and cargo divisions as well as NATCO. Slattery said one of his first duties will be to select a new NATCO general manager to replace H. Tom Nunn, who retired last month.

CONTACT: Doug Miller, Bob Gibbons, or Christy Clapp of Northwest Airlines, (612) 726-2331.

-30- 1773

#90341p1237 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of L&N Housing Corp. (NYSE: LHC) announced today that it will pay a dividend for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 of 20 cents per share. The dividend will be payable Dec. 28, 1990 to stockholders of record as of Dec. 17, 1990.

L&N Housing Corp. is qualified as a real estate investment trust and is managed by Lomas Financial Corp.

CONTACT: Carey Wickland, 214-746-7230; or Gary White, 214-746-7180

-30- 632

#90341p1240 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) announced today that Canadian Airlines has received Phase III (Level D) approval on the VITAL (Virtual Image Takeoff and Landing) VII MULTIVIEW(TM) visual system for its A310 aircraft simulator.

"Phase III (Level D) approval is the highest standard of training qualification a simulator can receive," said Ken Anderson, business center director, McDonnell Douglas Visual Systems, " and we are delighted to add Canadian Airlines to our expanding customer base."

VITAL VII is the most advanced in the line of computer generated visual systems designed and built by McDonnell Douglas for training commercial pilots. VITAL VII is a full daylight, dusk and night system. Integrated into an aircraft training simulator, it offers pilots the optimal visual training environment. VITAL VII meets Federal Aviation Administration Phase III, UK Civil Aviation Authority Level 4, and Australian Civil Aviation Authority Level 5 approval standards.

VITAL VII simulates all aspects of flying, including airport runway and taxiway lighting, hangars, ground support equipment and ground traffic hazards. The system also provides complete training under a full range of weather and visibility conditions. Custom scene generation is enhanced with VITAL VII's photo texture feature. Standard to the VITAL VII, this feature digitizes a photograph and includes it in the system's database, replicating a location and its distinguishing characteristics.

VITAL VII and its display systems can be configured to meet specific customer training needs. Canadian Airlines International's VITAL system has three video channels that produce pictures for display on a four window optical display systems. The result is a wide-angle display of computer generated images that creates a scene very close to the real environment. The system is installed at the Canadian Airlines Technical Training Centre in Toronto, Canada. The system is scheduled for delivery in the third quarter of 1991.

CONTACT: Karolyn Wolf of McDonnell Douglas Electronics Systems Co., 703-883-3825

-30- 2321

#90341p1242 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) announced today the introduction of VITAL VIIe, a new product in the line of visual simulation training systems built by McDonnell Douglas Electronic Systems Co.

VITAL (Virtual Image Takeoff and Landing) is a family of computer generated visual simulation systems that provides a realistic visual environment for training aircrews in all weather, day, night and twilight conditions.

The announcement was made at Canadian International Airlines Training Centre in Toronto during a ceremony for the first Level D (Phase III) qualification of a VITAL VII system in Canada.

VITAL VIIe is a low-cost version of VITAL VII, the most advanced system in the VITAL line. VITAL VIIe offers commuter airlines and corporate flight training centers a high quality system that meets Level C (Phase II) standards. However a variety of options can be installed that will also satisfy Level D (Phase III) training requirements.

Ken Anderson, director of McDonnell Douglas' VITAL business center, called the new product "a significant addition to the VITAL family of visual simulation systems. VITAL VIIe will give pilots training on this system an advantage over pilots who must train on less sophisticated systems. For the first time, quality does not have to be compromised because of cost."

VITAL VIIe provides night, dusk and dawn, and full-color day scenes. It uses a radar-based method of image generation with standard resolution of 500,000 pixels. In addition, it includes calligraphic techniques for pinsharp lightpoints.

VITAL VIIe provides standard photographic and matte textures. Texture can be applied on any surface, in any orientation, including moving objects. In addition to standard texture, VITAL VIIe can use digitized photographs to produce phototexture patterns for enhanced scene realism. Matte texture allows the viewer to see through a textured surface, like clouds, thus presenting broken and scattered clouds.

Scene generation is fast, easy and cost effective with the VITAL VIIe scene modeling workstation. Airfields are quickly and accurately included in a database while photos of surrounding scenes can be digitized to provide a custom, realistic scene.

VITAL VIIe systems provide unlimited occulting. This gives objects within a scene the correct relationship with the surrounding environment - allowing, as in real life, a distant object to be concealed or partially hidden by a closer one.

CONTACT: Karolyn Wolf of McDonnell Douglas Electronics Systems Company, (703) 883-3825.

-30- 2794

#90341p1243 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

OYSTER BAY, N.Y. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Acclaim Entertainment, Inc. (NASDAQ: AKLM) stated today that neither the company nor any of its officers, directors employees or affiliates was in any way involved in the stock manipulation to which Douglas Selander pleaded guilty in New Jersey Federal Court, as reported earlier today.

Gregory E. Fischbach, chief executive officer of Acclaim, added that the company had no knowledge of any stock manipulation and was unaware that any stock manipulation had taken place.

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AVON, MASS. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Child World, Inc. (NASDAQ: CWLD) will begin what company officials believe is the largest Christmas toy sale ever at 182 Child World and Children's Palace stores tomorrow. Markdowns of up to 50 percent or more will be taken on a wide variety of toys, dolls and games, including 267 titles of Nintendo software and more than 100 titles of Atari and Sega Games software. The price cuts are on top of existing Child World and Children's Palace prices, which are already as much as 30 percent below "manufacturers suggested retail price."

The sale, which was announced earlier this week by the country's second-largest retail toy supermarket as part of a larger plan to reduce inventory and overhead and conserve cash, will continue through Christmas. The company plans to announce a major restructuring of its operations in

mid-January.

"This is the year Santa Claus came early," said Peter Hayes, president of Child World, Inc. Hayes said that customers can easily spot the bargains by looking for red and green labels on the merchandise. Red labels indicate a price cut of 30 percent and green a price cut of 50 percent. "The customer will actually see the discounts being made on the cash register," said Hayes.

The new markdowns cover merchandise with a retail value of $105 million. Child World's current inventory is valued at approximately $525 million. "Customers don't have to worry about finding only a few items on sale," said Hayes. "These cuts are across the board, in games, dolls, action figures, pre-school and infant toys. But even what isn't marked down specifically for this sale is available at our everyday low prices."

Hayes said that the cuts on video software were particularly dramatic. Prices on Nintendo software that originally sold at Child World/Children's Palace for as much as $49.99 is now being sold for $14.90 to $24.90. Atari software, formerly priced as high as $24.99, now sells for $4.90. Sega Games, formerly priced as high as $39.99, now sell for $9.90.

Other price cuts include: -- 30 percent off on selected action figures and accessories, including Ghostbusters, Dick Tracey and Beetlejuice.

-- 50 percent off on Police Academy and Mega Force games. -- All basic dolls, usually priced at 99 cents to $99.99, are now 66 cents to $69.95.

-- Barbie Collectables are now $2.79, down from $3.99. -- 30 percent off on selected bicycles. -- 30-50 percent off on a wide selection of family board games and hand-held games.

The price markdowns are on selected inventory. Once the merchandise is sold, it will not be restocked. No "rain checks" will be issued for out-of-stock merchandise.

CONTACT: Gary Holmes of Child World, 212-484-7736

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PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - National Media Corp. (NYSE: NM) has received a demand for information from the Federal Trade Commission pursuant to a formal investigation of the company and Media Arts International Ltd., one of its subsidiaries. The investigation relates to certain infomercial programs aired by Media Arts.

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#90341p1262 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Global Income Plus Fund, Inc. (NYSE: GLI), a closed-end management investment company seeking current income and capital appreciation through investments in U.S. and foreign debt securities, today announced that the fund's board of directors has declared a dividend of $0.44 per share. This dividend represents net investment income for the period from Oct. 1, 1990 through Dec. 31, 1990, totaling $0.27 per share and net gains from foreign exchange transactions realized during the fund's fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990 of $0.17 per share, all of which is taxable as ordinary income. The dividend is payable on Dec. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 17, 1990. The ex-dividend date is Dec. 11, 1990.

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DALLAS (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The LTV Corp. (NYSE: QLTV) said today it will not appeal a U.S. District Court decision restoring two pension plans, the J&L Salaried Pension Plan and the Republic Hourly Pension Plan, but it will appeal the restoration of a third, the J&L Hourly Plan.

The company contends that the J&L Hourly Plan covering 25,000 hourly workers ran out of assets in September 1989, and the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp., the federal pension insurance agency, cannot return a depleted plan to the company. U.S. District Court Judge Robert Sweet ruled Tuesday the plans had to be returned to the company to comply with an earlier U.S. Supreme Court decision.

Even though the PBGC may now restore the plans, the company said under bankruptcy law it cannot make contributions to the plans while it is undergoing a Chapter 11 reorganization.

The contributions issue will be considered in another federal court this month. Two of the plans have assets sufficient to cover near-term disbursements to retirees and the PBGC has made advancements to the J&L Hourly Plan which will be used to make benefit payments.

Although LTV will file its appeal immediately, the company said it will continue to seek a negotiated settlement of its pension plan issues with the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.

On Nov. 19, the PBGC gave the company a 30-year repayment schedule to resolve the pension issues between the company and the federal agency. The company said today that it will press ahead during the appeal process for a negotiated

settlement with the PBGC, but the PBGC's repayment schedule was excessive and unworkable. LTV noted that the courts have consistently rejected the PBGC's analysis of the company's financial condition.

The company expects to meet with the PBGC later this month with a repayment proposal which it and the company's financial advisors consider a workable compromise.

The various legal and negotiation actions described above will not cause pension payments to retirees to be reduced from present levels. While no date has been set for the return of the three pension plans to the company, LTV and the PBGC have agreed to an orderly transition which will not cause any disruption or delay in monthly payments.

LTV is a diversified manufacturing company involved in steel, aerospace/defense and energy products.

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#90341p1266 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Comair Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: COMR), the parent corporation of Comair, Inc., the Cincinnati and Orlando based "Delta Connection" carrier, reported that passenger boardings for November 1990 were up 22.0 percent to 158,733. RPMs increased 34.8 percent while ASMs increased 29.8 percent.

		November	
	1990	1989	Pct. Change
ASMs (000)	76,748	59,134	29.8
RPMs (000)	33,012	24,492	34.8
Load Factor	43.0 pct.	41.4 pct.	3.9
Passengers	158,733	130,116	22.0
		Fiscal YTD	
	1991	1990	Pct. Change
ASMs (000)	616,316	426,855	44.4
RPMs (000)	268,014	198,369	35.1
Load Factor	43.5 pct.	46.5 pct.	(6.4)
Passengers	1,293,032	1,051,982	22.9
		Calendar YTD	
	1990	1989	Pct. Change
ASMs (000)	816,282	567,092	43.9
RPMs (000)	352,665	257,873	36.8
Load Factor	43.2 pct.	45.5 pct.	(5.0)
Passengers	1,722,688	1,375,847	25.2

CONTACT: Gloria M. Weber of Comair Holdings, Inc., 606-525-2550

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#90341p1273 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Freddie Mac's Board of Directors (NYSE: FRE) today voted to remove the company's four percent ownership limit on Freddie Mac voting common stock effective Monday, Dec. 10.

The board also declared a regular quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share on the corporation's voting common stock, payable on Dec. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 17, 1990.

In addition, the directors adopted standard corporate bylaws requiring advance written notification of shareholder nominations and proposals to be acted upon at the annual meeting.

"The removal of the ownership limitation is a final step in the transition of Freddie Mac to a publicly owned company with traditional corporate governance and capital structure," said Leland C. Brendsel, chairman and chief executive officer of Freddie Mac.

Brendsel noted that other historic steps in this transition process included removal of ownership restrictions on the company's original participating preferred stock; conversion of participating preferred stock to voting common stock; the election of a board of directors similar to that of public corporations; and redemption of $100 million of non-voting common stack held by the Federal Home Loan Banks at par value.

With the removal of ownership limitations, Freddie Mac will adopt beneficial ownership reporting requirements identical to those of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

Since Freddie Mac's charter as a government-sponsored enterprise grants the corporation exemption from SEC reporting requirements, reports will be filed only with Freddie Mac's Shareholder Relations Department and with the New York and Pacific exchanges, on which the stock is listed.

Until today's board vote, ownership of Freddie Mac voting common stock was limited to 2,400,000 shares per person or entity (approximately four percent of the 60,022,290 million shares outstanding as of Sept. 30, 1990).

The ownership limitation was originally adopted by the corporation to avoid undue concentration of ownership of common stock by any single thrift institution customer of Freddie Mac. Thrifts at one time owned 95 percent of Freddie Mac's stock. Today, they own less than 15 percent of the stock.

Freddie Mac is a stockholder-owned corporation chartered by Congress in 1970 to create a continuous flow of funds to mortgage lenders in support of

homeownership and rental housing.

By linking the capital markets with the mortgage markets, Freddie Mac brings the efficiencies and lower costs of the secondary mortgage market to the lender, the investor, and the homebuyer. Over the years, Freddie Mac has helped finance one in eight American homes, including more than 700,000 apartment units.

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#90341p1276 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORCROSS, GA (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - CytRx Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTR) board of directors announced today the election of Herbert H. McDade Jr. to its board of directors.

In commenting on the election Jack Luchese, president of CytRx Corp., said: "Herb McDade is a distinguished, seasoned pharmaceutical executive, a good personal friend and a man of excellent character. Herb's solid background and experience in the industry is a welcome addition to the CytRx board as we move closer to the commercialization of our technology."

McDade joins the CytRx board with over 40 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry. He began his career with the Upjohn Co. where he spent 20 years in sales, marketing and as director and general manager of its Laboratory Procedures Division. He subsequently moved to the Revlon Health Care Group where he enjoyed a successful tenure as president of their worldwide pharmaceutical operations and president of the Revlon Health Care Group's international operations. After the acquisition of Revlon's pharmaceutical operations by Rorer Group Inc., McDade was appointed chairman and president of Armour Pharmaceutical Co. and a member of the Rorer Group Management Committee. McDade currently serves as chairman, president and chief executive officer of Chemex Pharmaceuticals Inc. of Denver, and serves on the boards of directors of several other health care companies including Access Pharmaceuticals Inc. of Dallas and Biostar Medical Products Inc. of Boulder, Colo.

CytRx Corp. is a pharmaceutical company engaged in the research and development of therapeutics incorporating copolymers. The company's products are intended for use in the treatment of vascular, immune system, and infectious diseases and animal growth promotion.

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#90341p1282 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, TX (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Allied Pilots Association, which represents the 9,000 pilots of American Airlines, presented a comprehensive counter-proposal to negotiators for American Airlines in response to the company's contract proposal delivered to the pilots last month. The pilots' contract has been subject to change since last December and both sides are currently negotiating with the assistance of a federal mediator.

Fred Vogel, president of the Allied Pilots Association, stated, "Our proposal represents innovative ways of addressing management's concerns and those of our pilots. We have responded to every issue raised by management while remaining firm in our conviction that our pilots should be compensated commensurate with the industry-leading status of our highly successful and prosperous company."

The proposal includes an elimination of the two tier or so called "B-scale" increased benefits for retired, active and disabled pilots, maternity benefits comparable to other large U.S. corporations, restoration of pay and seniority lost by pregnant pilots under prior American policies, and restoration of vacations and retirement contributions which were lost when the B-scale was established at the airline.

The B-scale is a system whereby newly hired pilots are paid substantially less for a large part of their careers. It has been in place at American and other airlines since 1983 and is currently being phased out in new contracts at those airlines.

Major scheduling flexibility provisions were also proposed which would help the company continue its rapid expansion plans. The pilots' proposal would allow American to maintain a competitive edge over other major airlines in the area of scheduling efficiencies. Duration of the contract proposal is from Jan. 1, 1990, to Dec. 31, 1992.

In addition to the union's innovative new proposals, many of the concepts presented in the pilots' proposal are found in existing pilot contracts at other large, successful airlines and should provide the basis for a mutually beneficial new contract.

Due to the comprehensive nature of the pilots' proposal, the management negotiators requested that the pilots' negotiating committee be available all day Saturday to answer questions relating to the proposal. The union agreed to their request.

In order to allow the management negotiators time to analyze the pilot proposal, federal mediator Harry Bickford scheduled the resumption of talks for Wednesday, Dec. 12. Union President Vogel told the management negotiators that he expects to receive their counter-proposal at that time.

CONTACT: Allied Pilots Association public relations, (214) 988-3188.

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#90341p1285 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OHIO (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - KRUG International Corp. (NASDAQ: KRUG) announced today that its subsidiary, KRUG Life Sciences - Houston Division, has been selected by NASA's Johnson Space Center to proceed into final negotiations for a new, five-year contact. Under the new contract, which will represent the largest aerospace contract award in the corporation's 32-year history, the subsidiary will provide research and development services and operations support for the Space Shuttle and Space Station programs as well as for additional space exploration programs as they evolve.

This new contract will expand the life sciences support services for NASA's Johnson Space Center currently provided by KRUG Life Sciences - Houston Division. Beginning March 1, 1991, the new contract wil provide support services in various areas including biomedical research, laboratory operations development of medical testing equipment, and medical support of NASA's Space Shuttle and Space Station programs.

Maurice F. Krug, chairman of chief executive officer of KRUG International, said, "KRUG Life Sciences - Houston Division has maintained an excellent performance record over the past 23 years with NASA'S Johnson Space Center. This contract will solidify KRUG International's position as a leading supplier of research and development services to NASA and the entire space program."

KRUG Life Sciences - Houston Division, located in Houston, conducts a diverse array of biomedical services for NASA. The division's interdisciplinary staff has provided research and development support to NASA's Medical Sciences Division and has played an important role in the ultimate success of the Apollo, Skylab, Apollo-Soyuz and Space Shuttle missions.

Through its two separate business groups - Aerospace and Commercial/Consumer - KRUG International provides government, industry and consumers with a wide variety of products and programs.

The Aerospace Group engages in biotechnological research; and designs, fabricates and maintains automated test equipment, simulation and training systems and information management systems. The Commercial/Consumer Group manufacturers housewares and garden products and distributes leisure marine equipment.

KRUG International common shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol KRUG; Wall Street Journal OTC National Market issue, symbol KRUG.

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#90341p1286 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHARLOTTE, N.C. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Insufficient sales activity has resulted in a significant depletion of Radiation Disposal System's (NASDAQ: RDIS) limited remaining funds, the company announced today.

In light of this, the company has made substantial personnel cuts, effective Dec. 3.

The cuts include termination of the firm's marketing consultant, several laboratory assistants and support staff at the company's facilities in Misenheimer, N.C.

"If the company cannot generate sufficient sales activity or obtain financing in the near future, RDS will have insufficient funds to continue operation at its current level substantially into 1991," RDS President Manuel E. Kane said.

Funds are needed for engineering, research and development, as well as administrative expenses, he said

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#90341p1298 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed Central Federal Savings, F.S.B., Long Beach, N.Y., in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, Central Federal Savings Bank, will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift, and will operate in conservatorship under the management of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The receivership did not result in any interruption of Central Federal's day-to-day operations. The institution and its 14 branches, 12 on Long Island and two in Manhattan, will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action, which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund.

OTS initiated the action because Central Federal was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition in that it had insufficient capital, with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

Central was seized after the institution unsuccessfully sought a temporary

restraining order in Brooklyn, N.Y., Federal court to block the takeover. The order was denied today by U.S. District Court Judge Arthur Spratt. A hearing on Central's request for preliminary injunction is scheduled for Dec. 18.

Central Federal's condition is due primarily to a high level of non- earning assets, deferred losses, and a substantial amount of goodwill assumed in the 1981 acquisition of Expressway Federal Savings and Loan Association, Ronkonkoma, N.Y.

The institution never was able to recover from the effects of rising interest rates in the early 1980s. A deferred loss of $47 million on the sale of low-interest mortgage-backed securities during that period further eroded the thrift's net worth.

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#90341p1305 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - At 4 p.m., EST, today, Dean S. Marriott, senior deputy comptroller for bank supervision, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), declared First National Bank of Rowlett, Rowlett, Texas, insolvent, and appointed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) as receiver. First National Bank of Rowlett received a national bank charter in 1982. As of Sept. 30, 1990, it had total assets of approximately $21 million.

The bank became a matter of serious concern to the OCC in 1988. The OCC determined, as a result of examinations of the bank, that the poor lending practices of management coupled with an imprudent concentration in real estate loans led to a substantial deterioration in the bank's loan portfolio. This coupled with inadequate oversight of the bank by the board of directors caused the bank's condition to deteriorate.

The OCC obtained commitments from the board of directors in 1988 to undertake measures to correct the bank's problems. However, the bank was unable to resolve its problems and losses finally exhausted the bank's capital funds, resulting in its insolvency. The FDIC is expected to release additional information later today.

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#90341p1313 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

BATTLE CREEK, MICH. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Kellogg Company (NYSE: K) today announced the election of Arnold G. Langbo as

president, chief operating officer, and director of the company.

Langbo, with 34 years of service to the company, has been corporate executive vice president and president, Kellogg International, since 1986.

Commenting on the election, William E. LaMothe, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said: "Mr. Langbo's many years of service in top management assignments around the world have provided him with a wealth of experience in our core business. His election to this important position further strengthens our organization to take even greater advantage of growth opportunities in the ready-to-eat cereal category worldwide. He will continue to carry his present responsibility for Kellogg International operations, as well as oversee operations of the company's other business divisions."

Langbo began his career with Kellogg as a retail sales representative in Vancouver, British Columbia, in 1956. In 1969, he was appointed administrative assistant to the president of Kellogg Company in Battle Creek. He returned to Canada in 1970 as an executive vice president of Kellogg Canada Inc. In 1976, he was appointed president and chief executive officer of Kellogg Canada.

In 1978, Langbo returned to Battle Creek as president of the newly established U.S. Food Products Division. He was named a corporate vice president in 1979 and a corporate executive vice president in 1981. In 1983, he became group executive vice president, Kellogg Company, with responsibility for U.S. subsidiaries, and president, Mrs. Smith's Frozen Foods Co.

In addition to his Kellogg responsibilities, Langbo has been active in industry organizations, having served as first vice chairman of the American Frozen Food Institute and chairman of the Grocery Products Manufacturers of Canada.

Kellogg Company is the world's leading manufacturer of ready-to-eat cereal. The company has manufacturing operations in 16 countries and markets its products in more than 130 countries. In the U.S., in addition to its ready-to-eat cereal business, the company manufactures and markets Kellogg's Pop-Tarts, Eggo waffles, Mrs. Smith's pies, and LeGout foodservice products.

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#90341p1322 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL/MINNEAPOLIS, (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Twin Cities Public Television today announced that the 3M Foundation will underwrite KTCA's Emmy Award-winning NEWTON'S APPLE for the 1991-92 season. The underwriting commitment of $834,000 will support production costs for the 13 episodes to be aired beginning in the fall of 1991.

"3M Foundation is very pleased to begin this partnership with KTCA and NEWTON'S APPLE," said Donald Larson, director of Community Affairs and president of the 3M Foundation. "Our company's standards incorporate quality and innovation, which are also two of the attributes that mark the success of NEWTON'S APPLE."

KTCA President and CEO Jack Willis echoed this sentiment, commenting that "We're delighted that Minnesota's own 3M Foundation has chosen to become the national underwriter of this terrific science show. Their decision is certainly an emphatic vote of confidence in both KTCA and the talented NEWTON's production team. This wonderful news will undoubtedly add momentum to our production efforts as we begin work on the show's ninth season."

In addition to producing the 1991-92 season, 3M and KTCA are discussing the potential for a major national outreach campaign which would provide teachers guides to 40,000 junior high science teachers in all 50 states. "This country has a critical need for enhancing our science education in the schools. With a strong national partner like 3M we can really provide a valuable service to science teachers across the country," Willis remarked.

First broadcast in 1983, NEWTON'S APPLE has developed a large national audience of kids and adults alike. "We truly appreciate hearing from all the loyal viewers who have called us recently to express their support for this show," said Willis. "I know that you join with us in thanking 3M for supporting another season of NEWTON'S APPLE."

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#90341p1324 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Leading CASE vendor KnowledgeWare (NASDAQ: KNOW) today announced its new host-based CASE tool set, the Application Development Workbench(TM) (ADW)/MVS.

The ADW/MVS is designed for use with the company's OS/2 and DOS-based CASE product lines, mirroring their function and providing additional features including enhanced change control, security, versioning, encyclopedia comparison and user interest; all of which are centered around a powerful DB2(a)-based encyclopedia.

ADW/MVS will be released to a limited number of beta-test sites in January 1991, followed by an Early Support Release in March 1991. ADW/MVS is KnowledgeWare's new host-based CASE tool which is centered around an intellient DB2-based encyclopedia resident on the MVS/TSO host.

The encyclopedia, a distinguishing characteristic of the product line, supports automatic transitions between the various phases of the systems development life cycle, as well as 100 percent automatic code generation from diagrammatic specifications.

"With a DB2-based encyclopdia, ADW/MVS takes maximum advantage of the powerful SQL reporting and query capabilities inherent in DB2, allowing our customers to create customized reports and queries," said Michael Ryan, KnowledgeWare's senior vice president of research and development.

"Our customers can use the PC-based tools of the Application Development Workbench(TM) (ADW) or the Information Engineering Workbench(R) (IEW) to collect application development requirements and specifications, and then use ADW/MVS to manage and control enterprise-wide access to the information at the host." Features of the ADW/MVS include:

- A multi-user DB2-based encyclopedia with SQL query capability.
- A collection of host-based CASE tools including analyzers, translators, and generators which facilitate application development on the mainframe.
- Intelligent merging of encyclopedia models with automated conflict detection at the host.
- Capability to selectively control changes made when merging models into a host encyclopedia.
- A check-in/check-out process providing control and tracking of information shared by several users across host and workstation encyclopedias.
- Capability to establish owners (Policymakers) and interested users (Stakeholders) for objects defined in the encyclopedia.
- Encyclopedia "versioning" to allow the creation of multiple versions of an encyclopedia when changes are committed to an encyclopedia.
- Capability to "compare" encyclopedias and report on the differences.
- Improved "security" to protect information and control changes to the encyclopedia.
- Re-engineering utilities for IMS DBD's/PSB's and COBOL copy books.

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#90341p1325 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, Va. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - DynCorp (NASDAQ: DYNPP) today announced that Meridian Corporation has merged into and become a subsidiary of DynCorp.

Meridian Corporation is a professional consulting firm providing engineering, information systems, and management consulting services to clients in the U.S. government and private industry. The merger adds 200 employees, approximately $18 million in revenues and a backlog of $25 million to DynCorp, a Reston-based diversified services firm.

Founded in 1978, Meridian Corporation is at the forefront of technical consulting services and has twice been named to INC. Magazine's list of the 500 fastest growing companies in the country. Headquartered in Alexandria, Va. Meridian serves clients internationally and throughout the United States in diverse ares such as energy, environmental engineering, robotics, nuclear weapons security, artificial intelligence and information processing. The firm specializes in energy technology, providing consulting services to the Department of Energy in support of defense programs and civilian energy use. Meridian has also developed a strong base of proprietary technology in artificial intelligence and holds a number of research grants from the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency.

Meridian Corporation is the third company acquired by DynCorp this year. The Meridian acquisition is part of DynCorp's growth and diversification plan which is aimed at reducing the company's reliance on the Department of Defense budget. According to President and CEO Dan R. Bannister: "The core of our diversification plan is to achieve a balanced mix of business activity by 1995. The addition of Meridian Corporation is a very strategic part of that plan. It enables us to capitalize on our experience in the professional and technical service industry, broaden our capabilities, add new customers, and expand into new markets with strong growth potential."

Headquartered in Reston, DynCorp is an employee-owned company providing a wide range of services to government and commercial aviation customers worldwide.

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#90341p1333 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

FULLERTON, CA (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Wynn's International Inc. (NYSE: WN) announced today that it had repurchased 68,543 shares of its common stock from the estate of Carl E. Wynn and 131,457 shares of its common stock from the Wynn Foundation or a total of 200,000 shares. The aggregate purchase price was $2,825,000 or $14.125 per share, which was the closing price of a share of the company's common stock on Dec. 4, 1990. The company said that it had been informed that the purpose of the sale was to raise funds to discharge residual tax liabilities of the estate of Carl W. Wynn.

In June 1990, the company had announced that the board of directors had authorized the corporation to acquire up to 200,000 shares of its common stock. Prior to this transaction, the company had acquired 24,500 shares at an average price of $20.23 per share in open market transactions. Under the stock repurchase program as expanded by the board to authorize this repurchase the company has acquired a total of 224,500 shares or approximately 5.8 percent of its previously outstanding shares. Following this repurchase, the company now has 3,629,588 shares outstanding, net of Treasury Shares.

James Carroll, president and chief executive officer, stated, "The board of directors believes that the shares were acquired at a very favorable price." Carroll said he expects the repurchases to have a beneficial effect on earnings per share and book value per share. Carroll also said that the board has terminated the company's stock repurchase program at this time.

Wynn's International is a worldwide supplier of quality automotive air conditioners, O-rings, seals, molded rubber products, petrochemical specialty products and builders' hardware supplies.

CONTACT: Gregg M. Gibbons of Wynn's International Inc., 714-992-2000

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TORONTO (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Roman Corporation Limited today announced a loss of $48,376,000, or $4.88 per common share, for the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a net loss of $1,678,000, or $0.17 per common share, a year earlier.

This brought the loss for the first nine months of 1990 to $97,305,000, or $9.82 per common share, compared with net earnings of $6,350,000, or $0.64 per common share, for the corresponding 1989 period.

Helen Roman-Barber, Roman Corporation's chairman and chief executive officer, attributed the 1990 results "primarily to three separate write- downs totaling $89,419,000, which more than offset improved third- quarter performances by Denison Mines Limited, Lawson Mardon Group Limited and Strathcona Paper Company."

Write-downs of $24,493,000 to reflect Roman Corporation's share of a restatement of the six-month results of Standard Trustco and of $20,320,000 to reflect Roman Corporation's share of a write-down by Denison Mines of its Italian oil properties were taken in the second quarter.

"The most significant factor contributing to the third-quarter 1990 results was a $44,606,000 write-down of Roman Corporation's interest in Standard Trustco to reflect the decline in the market price of that company's common shares," Roman-Barber said.

Standard Trustco reported a loss of $8.6 million in the third quarter of 1990, compared with earnings of $4.2 million a year earlier, and announced that it was suspending dividend payments on its common shares until further notice.

Denison Mines reported net income of $7.5 million for the third quarter of 1990, compared with a loss of $4 million for the third quarter of 1989. Lawson Mardon's third-quarter profit rose to $8.3 million in 1990 from $5 million a year earlier. Strathcona, Roman Corporation's wholly owned

operating division, also reported higher third-quarter earnings.

Roman-Barber said that Roman Corporation, which announced last month that it was selling its interest in Lawson Mardon, "expects to complete the sale during the first half of 1991 and will use the proceeds to repay debt and build a capital reserve."

CONTACT: Ed Shiller, 416-496-2243, or 416-865-1991, for the Roman Corporation

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COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated American Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: COAM), today announced the sale of 49 percent of its mining subsidiary American Liberty Mining Corporation (ALM) to Gemstar Enterprises, Inc. (GEMSTAR) for $4,000,000 in cash and securities.

Gemstar an OTC-traded company from Charleston, S.C./Salt Lake City is engaged in resource and mining development.

ALM plans early 1991 development of zinc mining claims in Stevens County, Wash.

CONTACT: Stephen A. Springer of Consolidated American Industries, Inc., 614-228-8120

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CLEVELAND, (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Lincoln Electric Company today shared year-end profits with employees for the 57th consecutive year.

The discretionary bonus amounting to $56,223,952 was paid to 2,701 people.

George E. Willis, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated that this was the second highest bonus paid in the history of the company. He attributed the company's success to its continuing implementation of its total incentive system. This has resulted in record sales for the domestic company with a significant part of this being increased export sales fueled by global expansion.

Lincoln now has 22 manufacturing sites in 15 countries, which places considerable demand on U.S. operations for component parts and finished goods.

D.F. Hastings, president, emphasized that new product development and the need to meet a variety of worldwide standards have increased materially the challenges faced with varying degrees of success in all operations here and abroad. Therefore, he challenged fellow workers to continue to search for and to find more efficient manufacturing and operating procedures.

Vice Chairman Harry Carlson concluded the bonus presentation meeting by sharing information pertaining to Lincoln's expansion of its new world headquarters in Euclid, Ohio, scheduled to be finished late next summer. He stated that Lincoln's decision to keep its world headquarters in the greater Cleveland area was based to a large degree on the outstanding improvements in Cleveland's financial and other problem areas since its low period in the 1970s, plus retention and improvement of those things that have traditionally made Cleveland an attractive place to live.

The company is the leading worldwide manufacturer of arc welding products, and a major producer of premium quality industrial electric motors and plasma and oxyfuel cutting equipment.

CONTACT: Richard S. Sabo of The Lincoln Electric Company, 216-383-2126

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#90341p1358 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Duke Power (NYSE: DUK) officials said today that preliminary estimates of 1991 expenses may run as much as $100 million higher than estimates made in Jan. 1990.

"The figures are both conservatively high and preliminary," Duke Senior Vice President and General Counsel Steve C. Griffith said, "but we are nonetheless treating them seriously and are taking several steps to reduce those higher costs. For example, we have set a goal to reduce the workforce by about 3 percent during 1991 by taking advantage of the company's normal attrition rate. And we have underway a comprehensive in-house study of our operations to find and implement more productive and cost effective ways to do business," he said.

"When we finalize the 1991 budget in January, we expect the figure to be substantially less than $100 million," Griffith said.

A combination of factors are contributing to the higher expenses, according to Griffith. Duke is adding some 30,000 to 40,000 customers a year, and the resources to meet that growth -- the people, the plant, the conservation technologies -- all are more expensive today than they were yesterday.

"There are additional items, such as an increase in fees charged by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and additional medical benefits costs, that are adding to our expenses," Griffith said.

"Rate increases are sometimes necessary -- we'll be asking for one in 1991, when our Bad Creek Hydroelectric Station begins producing electricity for our customers -- but rate increases cannot be a subsitute for managing costs," he said.

"In light of an overall budget of some $2 billion, we are taking the appropriate steps to reduce our expenses," Griffith said.

CONTACT: Joe Maher, Duke Power Company, 704-373-8323, office, 704-536-6079, home

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#90341p1369 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

UPPER SADDLE RIVER, N.J. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Union Corporation (NYSE: WU) announced that an amendment to its registration statement covering its cash tender offer for its outstanding 19-1/4 percent senior secured notes and 16 percent notes was declared effective today by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

In the tender offer, which commenced on Nov. 29 and will remain open until midnight, Dec. 27, 1990, the company is offering to purchase a minimum of $250 million and a maximum of $350 million principal amount of the outstanding 19-1/4 percent and 16 percent Notes for a cash purchase price of $500 per $1,000 principal amount of notes and is soliciting consents from holders of the 19-1/4 percent notes to add certain new restrictive covenants and to modify or remove certain existing covenants contained in its 19-1/4 percent note indenture.

The proposed amendments to the 19-1/4 percent note indenture have been revised so as to eliminate from the presently existing collateral only those assets to be conveyed to AT&T as part of the pending sale of most of Western Union's Business Services unit. Also, several modifications have been made in the proposed restrictive covenants as compared with the proposals contained in the company's prospectus dated Nov. 29, 1990. These revisions reflect discussions between the company and members of a group of holders of the 19-1/4 percent notes.

Western Union has been advised by Donaldson Lufkin & Jenrette, the financial advisor to the holders of 19-1/4 percent Notes, that a substantial majority of the members of this group have indicated that issues formerly in dispute have been resolved and that they intend to consent to the revised proposed amendments to the 19-1/4 percent note indenture as set forth in the amendment to the tender offer that became effective today.

The foregoing is not and shall not be deemed an offer, including an offer of any security, or a solicitation of any vote or consent in connection with the tender offer. Any such offer or solicitation will be made only by means of Western Union's offer to purchase, consent solicitation and prospectus dated Nov. 29, 1990, as amended by post- effective amendment Number 2 to the corporation's registration statement filed with and declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission, which amendment includes a supplement

being distributed to noteholders beginning today.

CONTACT: Warren R. Bechtel of Western Union, 201-818-5316 or 212-868-8888

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#90341p1371 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - The Oversight Board for the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) today approved a revised seller financing policy establishing a pilot program for the sale of illiquid assets.

Under the program, $7 billion of the approximately $142 billion in assets now held by the RTC will become eligible for seller financing. This policy replaces the $3 billion in seller financing previously approved by the Board but continues to allocate not less than $250 million for affordable housing.

"This policy gives the RTC the additional financing authority which it requested to sell its more illiquid assets," said Peter H. Monroe, Oversight Board president.

"The goals of the program are to speed asset sales and increase the value to the taxpayers from such sales," continued Monroe. "Since this is a demonstration program, its effectiveness in achieving these goals will be carefully monitored by the Oversight Board."

The RTC will determine what assets are classified as illiquid under two criteria established by the Oversight Board. First, the RTC must determine that there is not a ready market for the asset because of the unavailability of commercial financing on acceptable terms. Second, the RTC must document that value will be maximized using seller financing instead of such alternatives as cash sale, securitization or holding the asset until markets improve.

The new policy will apply uniformly to all RTC illiquid assets whether in conservatorship or receivership. Although it supersedes existing policy No. 13, adopted in October, the affordable housing provisions of the earlier policy remain in force and not less than $250 million in seller financing will remain available for financing or affordable housing for low- and moderate-income buyers.

The loans will be structured to achieve: -- Substantial equity commitment by the buyer to provide strong incentives for performance.

The Oversight Board, established by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA), formulates the policy, approves the funding and provides the general oversight of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

CONTACT: Art Siddon or Felisa Neuringer of the Oversight Board, Resolution Trust Corporation, 202-786-9672

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#90341p1379 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, Mich. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Federal Bank (NYSE: SFB) announced a 1/4 percent decrease in interest rates charged for its lifetime convertible adjustable-rate mortgage loans. Effective Monday, Dec. 10, 1990, the interest rate charged for ARM loans will be 7-1/2 percent.

The bank also announced a decrease in interest rates charged for its fixed-rate mortgage loans. The new rates are:

15-year fixed-rate mortgage 9-1/2 percent 30-year fixed-rate mortgage 9-3/4 percent To obtain these interest rates, the borrower will pay a 2 percent loan discount fee plus application fee and out-of-pocket expenses.

"The new rates charged for our lifetime convertible adjustable-rate mortgages are the lowest they've been in years," noted Thomas R. Ricketts, chairman and president of Standard Federal. "These new rates combined with a good supply of available housing, makes this a great time to buy a home."

Standard Federal Bank, headquartered in Troy, Mich., has current assets of approximately $9.4 billion and operates 117 branch offices throughout Michigan and Indiana.

CONTACT: William R. Yaw, Jr., marketing director of Standard Federal, 313-643-9600

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#90341p1381 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Barnett Banks, Inc. (NYSE: BBI) today assumed the deposits and purchased some assets of Haven Federal Savings and Loan Association, F.A. from the Resolution Trust Corporation.

All of Haven's $125 million in deposits are being assumed. As offsetting assets, Barnett acquired consumer and mortgage loans, subject to return to the RTC after review. Barnett paid a premium of $1.15 million.

Haven, based in Winter Haven, Fla., has five offices throughout Polk County. Branches are located in Haines City, Lakeland and Auburndale as well as Winter Haven. The thrift was declared insolvent and put into receivership by the RTC earlier this year.

The Haven offices will reopen Monday as branches of Barnett Bank of Polk County. All Haven customers become Barnett customers. They should continue to

use their Haven checks and savings passbooks as well as their automatic teller machine cards. Loan customers should continue to make regular payments.

"We look forward to welcoming Haven customers to the Barnett family," said Andrew B. Cheney, president and chief executive of the Barnett Bank of Polk County. "Like Haven, Barnett has a long history of service to Polk County residents. We think that Haven customers will enjoy our level of service and diversity of product offerings."

The purchase enhances Barnett's market leadership in Polk County where Florida's leading bank has more than 21 percent of the bank deposits.

Three of Haven's offices are located close to Barnett branches and could be closed next year. Customer accounts would automatically be transferred to nearby Barnett offices.

Haven employed about 70 people. Most of those will be offered employment at Barnett for the next two months while the bank completes the conversion of Haven accounts into Barnett's system. During that time, the bank will assist them in finding jobs within the Barnett system or at other employers.

The transaction is Barnett's eighth purchase of assets and liabilities of a failed financial institution this year. These transactions totalled almost $3 billion in deposits.

With $31.4 billion in assets and 590 offices in Florida and Georgia, Barnett is Florida's leading banking company and the 20th largest in the country. Its common stock (BBI) is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Bob Stickler, 904-791-5437 (office), 904-396-9284 (home); or Russ Hoadley, 904-791-5013 (office), 904-260-4658 (home), both of Barnett Banks, Inc.

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#90341p1385 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - D. Ross Fitzpatrick, president of Viceroy Resource Corp., announced today that the Securities Commissions of Ontario and British Columbia have issued receipts for a final prospectus with respect to the issue of 700,000 common shares of the company issuable on conversion of 700,000 Special Warrants previously issued thorough Bunting Warburg Inc. at a price of $4.75 per Special Warrant. The issue provides the company with net proceeds of $3,025,000.

Fitzpatrick also advised that no appeals against the Record of Decision issued by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management approving Viceroy's Plan of Operations and Final Enviromental Impact Statement had been filed during the statutory 30 day appeal period. The company had earlier received a favorable Notice of

Determination from the County of San Bernardino, Calif. As a result of receiving these approvals, Viceroy has proceeded with preliminary work for the development of its Castle Mountain project in San Bernardino County.

The full project financing of U.S. $50 million is expected to be completed early in the new year. The company anticipates a construction period of approximately nine months, with an expected completion date in the last quarter of 1991.

CONTACT: D. Ross Fitzpatrick of Viceroy Resource Corp., 604-688-9780

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#90341p1391 12/07/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, (DEC. 7) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced a decrease in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The decrease of $0.75/bbl was effective Friday, Dec. 7, at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$25.25 for West Texas Intermediate $23.25 for West Texas Sour $25.75 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E76. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440; or Bonnie Chaikind, 415-894-1200; both of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 7) TASS - SIX PEOPLE DIED AND 51 WERE INJURED WHEN A BUS CAREERED OFF THE ROAD IN DAGESTAN IN SOUTH RUSSIA, THE TRUD NEWSPAPER REPORTS TODAY.

THE ACCIDENT HAPPENED AT 09.00 ON WEDNESDAY WHEN THE DRIVER OF THE BUS, COMMUTING FROM BURTUKAI TO KHASAVYUT, EXCEEDED THE SPEED LIMIT AT A BEND. THE BUS SPAN OFF THE ROAD, HIT A TREE AND ENDED UP IN A DITCH.

THE DRIVER IS TO FACE CRIMINAL CHARGES.

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#90341t3240 12/07/1990 ~ts

YEREVAN (DEC. 7) TASS - THE TOLL OF ALL CHURCH BELLS THROUGHOUT ARMENIA AT 11.41 MARKED THE MOMENT WHEN TWO YEARS AGO A DISASTROUS EARTHQUAKE FLATTENED

TOWNS AND VILLAGES AND CLAIMED TENS OF THOUSANDS OF HUMAN LIVES.

OBELISKS WERE UNVEILED, SOMBRE MUSIC WAS PLAYED, AND FLOWERS AT THE TOMBS OF EARTHQUAKE VICITMS WERE LAID IN MANY TOWNS AND VILLAGES OF THE REPUBLIC TODAY.

FOLLOWING THE DREADFUL EARTHQUAKE TWO YEARS AGO, ALL SOVIET REPUBLICS AND FOREIGN COUNTRIES CAME TO ARMENIA'S AID. THE LIVES OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WERE SAVED BY PHYSICIANS, MINE RESCUE SERVICE PERSONNEL AND FIRE-FIGHTERS FROM FRANCE, ITALY, THE UNITED STATES, WEST GERMANY, BRITAIN, ISRAEL, HOLLAND, CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES.

SPECIALISTS FROM THE UNION REPUBLICS AND FOREIGN COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN WORKING HERE TOGETHER WITH ARMENIAN BUILDERS, REBUILDING TOWNS AND VILLAGES.

THE TOWNS OF KUMAIRI, SPITAK, STEPANAVAN, LERNAKERT, NALBAND ARE NOW RISING FROM THE RUINS.

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#90341t3252 12/07/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 7) TASS - THE SOVIET UNION "IS COMMITTED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF BROAD FRIENDLY TIES WITH IRELAND. IT IS LOOKING FORWARD TO A DYNAMIC AND MEANINGFUL DIALOGUE WITH IRISH LEADERS ON EUROPEAN AND INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS " SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN VITALY CHURKIN SAID AT A BRIEFING HERE TODAY, COMMENTING ON THE INAUGURATION OF IRISH PRESIDENT MARY ROBINSON. HE SAID THAT PRESIDENT GORBACHEV HAD SENT A MESSAGE OF GREETINGS TO THE IRISH PRESIDENT.

CHURKIN TOLD JOURNALISTS THAT, ACCORDING TO AN AGREEMENT REACHED, IRISH FOREIGN MINISTER GERARD COLLINS WOULD PAY AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION BEFORE THE END OF MARCH 1991. BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS AT THE LEVEL OF DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTERS WILL BE HELD BY THE TWO SIDES IN JANUARY 1991 WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF PREPARATIONS FOR THE VISIT. "WE ARE POSITIVE THAT SOVIET-IRISH RELATIONS HAVE GOOD PROSPECTS," CHURKIN STRESSED.

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#90341t3296 12/07/1990 ~ts

KIEV (DEC. 8) TASS - LITHUANIAN PRIME MINISTER KAZIMIERA PRUNSKIENE AND UKRAINIAN PRIME MINISTER VITOLD FOKIN SIGNED AN AGREEMENT ON ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL COOPERAITON FOR 1991-1995 HERE ON FRIDAY.

AT THE TALKS BETWEEN THE UKRAINIAN AND LITHUANIAN DELEGATIONS, BOTH SIDES EMPHASISED THAT THE FULFILLMENT OF MUTUAL OBLIGATIONS SHOULD NOT HINGE ON ANY THIRD PARTY.

THE LITHUANIAN DELEGATION'S BRIEF VISIT TO THE UKRAINIAN CAPITAL PROVED HECTIC. THE SIDES CONDUCTED INTENSIVE BUSINESS NEGOTIATIONS, DURING WHICH THEY

DISCUSSED, AMONG OTHERS, RECIPROCAL DELIVERIES OF GOODS, EXPRESSED THEIR DESIRE TO BOOST TRADE AND OPENLY DISCUSSED DISPUTABLE ISSUES. THEY EXCHANGED VIEWS REGARDING THE PAYMENT OF THE UNION'S FOREIGN DEBT, THE PRICE-SETTING POLICY AND THE FORMATION OF THE STATE BUDGET.

THE LITHUANIAN DELEGATION SAID IT WAS INTERESTED IN THE SUPPLIES OF THE UKRAINIAN COAL, ROLLED FERROUS METAL, TABLE SALT AND VEGETABLE OIL. UKRAINE, IN TURN, NEEDS FISH, REFRIGERATORS, T.V. SETS, CLOTHES AND KNITTED WEAR, FABRICS, LUMBER AND ACCESSORIES FOR THE ELECTRONIC INDUSTRY.

IN AN INTERVIEW AFTER THE SIGNING OF THE AGREEMENT, PRUNSKIENE EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH THE DOCUMENT, NOTING THAT SEVERAL OF ITS POINTS NEEDED TO BE CONCRETISED. "MOST IMPORTANTLY, WE RAPIDLY ACHIEVED MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING ON THE PRINCIPLES OF COOPERATION, MEETING BOTH SIDES' INTERESTS, CREATED GUARANTEES BOTH AT THE LEVEL OF GOVERNMENTS AND ENTERPRISES FOR FULFILLING THE ASSUMED OBLIGATIONS AND MADE A CONSIDERABLE HEADWAY TOWARDS MARKET MUTUALLY AFVANTAGEOUS RELATIONS," PRUNSKIENE SAID.

"PRESERVING THE ECONOMIC TIES THAT HAD ALREADY BEEN FORMED AND ALSO THE VOLUMES OF RECIPROCAL SUPPLIES WERE MADE THE BASIS OF OUR COOPERATION," FOKIN SAID.

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#90341u0025 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 7) UPI - President Bush is nearing the end of his South American tour in oil-rich Venezuela. Bush and Venezuela's president are expected to focus on oil and U-S investment in the country before Bush ends his trip tomorrow.

The United States and NON-aligned countries were NOT able to agree today on a draft resolution dealing with Israeli-occupied territories. The U-S ambassador to the United Nations says the negotiations will resume tomorrow.

Elated researchers are contending with a flood of data transmitted from the shuttle Columbia. The astronauts will try to see NASA's Galileo probe tomorrow as the unmanned spacecraft races past Earth on a path to Jupiter.

An industry analyst says American motorists may see relief at the gas pumps soon. The Los Angeles-based Lundberg Survey says the price of a key wholesale gasoline sold to independent stations fell a substantial amount this week.

April 15th woN'T have the usual dreaded implications for American soldiers around the globe. The I-R-S says troops will get a full two-months extra time to pay their taxes than people living in the United States.

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#90341u0146 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 7) UPI - President Bush says he'll keep up the pressure on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, despite Iraq's announced intention to release all hostages in Iraq and Kuwait. Bush says Saddam must ''comply 100 percent, without condition'' to U-N resolutions demanding he withdraw Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

Defense Secretary Cheney Thursday sought more help from NATO in the Persian Gulf crisis. At a meeting of NATO defense ministers in Brussels, Cheney asked allies for additional sealift and airlift support for the massive U-S troop deployment in the gulf. Britain, which has sent large numbers of ground troops to the gulf, also asked NATO allies for assistance.

Security was tight in Chile Thursday upon President Bush's arrival in the South American nation. Bush told a joint session of Chile's Congress that he wants the country to ''remain in the forefront'' of free market developments. Said Bush- ''Latin America's future lies with free markets and free governments.''

A half hour before Bush's arrival in Santiago, a bomb exploded in a McDonalds restaurant in the elegant Las Conde neighborhood. The blast blew out the windows of the fast-food outlet but caused NO injuries. Chile was the fourth stop in Bush's five-nation South American tour.

The orbiting Columbia astronauts continue to grabble with computer problems. A

second computer burned out Thursday and astronomers in Houston were forced to operate the ship's telescopes by remote control in a bid to salvage the star-crossed mission. The computer failure knocked out three of Columbia's four telescopes.

In Highland, Indiana, state health officials have declared the flood- ravaged Wicker Park subdivision unsafe because of possible contamination from cancer-causing P-C-B's. Residents were told Thursday night NOT to re-enter the homes they were forced to flee last week when the Little Calumet River overflowed its banks.

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#90341u0190 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 7) UPI - President Bush and Secretary of State Baker Thursday welcomed Iraq's decision to release all hostages in Iraq and Kuwait. But they said freeing the hostages won't soften U-S insistence that Iraq conform to all U-N resolutions demanding full withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait. The exact number of foreign nationals in Iraq and Kuwait has never been precisely established. But it is thought there are around 900 Americans, including 88 held as human shields at key installations around Iraq. In addition, there are an estimated five-thousand other foreigners.

The head of the World Council of Churches warns that war is NOT the ''right solution'' to the Persian Gulf crisis. Reverend Emilio Castro, general secretary of the world council, says- quote- ''NO big power should be allowed to impose its will on a small one.'' But Castro says a war in the region might ''wipe out'' Kuwait. Castro heads the international council of 311 Protestant and Orthodox churches in more than 100 countries.

In Italy, authorities are investigating the crash of a small Italian air force training plane that slammed into a school on the outskirts of Bologna Thursday. 12 people were killed and at least 62 others were injured. The pilot ejected from the plane after radioing that the aircraft's engine was on fire and its controls were NOT working. Witnesses told police the plane's fuselage was engulfed in flames.

Laboratory tests show a potential new AIDS drug may be as powerful as the government-approved drug A-Z-T. Researchers from University of Massachusetts Medical School in Worcester and Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals in Ridgefield, Connecticut, say the drug, dubbed BR- GZ-T. They say they hope to begin testing the promising compound on humans early next year.

Thousands of blacks marched through the streets of several South African cities Thursday... heeding a call by the African National Congress to keep the pressure on the white minority government for racial reform. Winnie Mandela, the wife of A-N-C leader Nelson Mandela, led some five-thousand marchers in Pretoria. Mandela delivered a petition demanding, among other things, the

government release all political prisoners and suspendf all political trials before Christmas.

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#90341u0204 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 7) UPI - Secretary of State Baker told the House Foreign Affairs Committee Thursday that the Iraqi Foreign Ministry has confirmed officially that all foreign nationals being held in Iraq will be permitted to leave.

President Bush travels from Chile to Venezuela Friday. At a joint news conference Thursday, Bush and Chilean President Patricio Aylwin sought to put years of antagonistic relations behind them.

A deadlock over farm subisidies still exists as world trade talks enter their final day in Brussels Friday. The European Community Thursday rejected a compromise plan, calling it wholly unacceptable.

Directors of more than three-thousand state-run enterprises met in Moscow Thursday to press for continued central control of the economy. They were assured by Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov that the state sector will remain a key in the Soviet system.

Researchers from University of Massachusetts Medical School say laboratory tests show that a potential new AIDS drug may be as powerful as A-Z-T, the only government-authorized drug to fight the AIDS virus.

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#90341u0213 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 7) UPI - There's no place like home, even if it took the Sacramento Kings 11 months to realize it.

The Kings beat the Washington Bullets 104-86 Thursday night, recording consecutive home victories for the first time since January.

''They worked pretty hard and it is nice to see them execute against a pretty good team,'' Kings Coach Dick Motta said. ''Our inside game and our intensity was very good.''

Wayman Tisdale scored 27 points on 12 of 13 shooting and grabbed 12 rebounds. Rookie guard Travis Mays contributed a professional-high 26 points - including three 3-pointers - for the Kings, who hadn't won two straight games in Arco Arena since Jan. 22 and 24, when they beat the Los Angeles Clippers and Golden State Warriors.

''I wanted to have a good game after coming off a back problem last game,'' Mays said. ''I knew I had to get into the game right away. I'm ready to play

the Pistons (Saturday night at home).''

''If you're looking for me to make excuses on how we played, you've got the wrong guy,'' Bullets Coach Wes Unseld said. ''I knew Travis Mays was good, but I think we made him look a lot better tonight.''

The game also marked center Pervis Ellison's first appearance in Sacramento since being traded by the Kings to the Bullets last June.

Ellison, who Sacramento chose as the NBA's first pick in the 1989 college draft, was injury-plagued and played sparingly in his one season with the Kings.

Ellison, who scored 2 points and didn't get a rebound in nine minutes as a reserve, was booed during player introductions and several times during the game.

Bernard King, the NBA's third-leading scorer, paced Washington with 25 points.

''We never got our offense into the game,'' the Bullets' Darrell Walker said. ''And they kept us on the perimeter.''

In other games, the Los Angeles Lakers downed Minnesota 83-73, Seattle nipped Miami 105-103 and Houston outlasted Charlotte 116-110.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Lakers 83, Wolves 73

At Minneapolis, Magic Johnson survived a sub-par shooting performance to score 21 points and collect 11 assists to lead Los Angeles to its eighth straight victory. Johnson surpassed 16,000 career points to become the 40th player in the NBA to reach that plateau. He is the second player, along with Oscar Robertson, to have 16,000 points and 9, 000 assists. Tony Campbell scored 23 points and Pooh Richardson added 22 for the Timberwolves.

SuperSonics 105, Miami 103

At Miami, Sedale Threatt scored 18 points, including four in the last 90 seconds, and added 11 assists for Seattle. Heat guard Glen Rice had a chance to tie the score 104-104 with three seconds left, but missed the second of two free throws. Seattle's Nate McMillen was fouled on the next play and hit 1 of 2 free throws to account for the final margin.

Rockets 116, Hornets 110

At Houston, Akeem Olajuwon scored 39 points and grabbed 20 rebounds to lead the Rockets. Eric ''Sleepy'' Floyd added 20 points to back Olajuwon, who had

at least 20 rebounds for the fourth time this season and 36th time in his career. Armon Gilliam had 31 points and 21 rebounds and Johnny Newman scored 26 points for the Hornets, 8-8.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

LA LAKERS (83)

Perkins 8-13 3-7 19, Worthy 5-9 1-1 11, Divac 3-3 0-0 6, Johnson 6-22 9-11 21, Scott 4-5 5-6 13, Teagle 3-9 0-0 6, Green 1-5 2-2 4, Drew 0-1 2-2 2, Thompson 0-1 0-2 0, Campbell 0-0 1-2 1. Totals 30-71 23-33 83.

MINNESOTA (73)

Spencer 5-9 3-4 13, Corbin 5-15 0-0 10, Breuer 1-9 1-2 3, Campbell 11-24 1-2 23, Richardson 11-21 0-0 22, West 0-1 0-0 0, Mitchell 1-4 0-0 2. Totals 34-83 5-8 73.

LA Lakers	28	14	15	26	--83
Minnesota	14	22	21	16	--73

Three-point goals-None. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-LA Lakers 12, Minnesota 24. Rebounds-LA Lakers 55 (Divac 12), Minnesota 48 (Spencer 11). Assists-LA Lakers 19 (Johnson 11), Minnesota 17 (Campbell 7). Technical fouls-None. A-19, 006.

SEATTLE (105)

Threatt 7-12 4-6 18, Polynice 7-9 2-2 16, McDaniel 7-16 1-2 15, Kemp 6-10 1-2 13, McKey 5-7 2-3 12, Cage 3-5 2-2 8, Dailey 3-5 2-4 8, Payton 3-8 0-0 6, Barros 3-4 0-0 6, McMillan 1-3 1-2 3. Totals 45-79 15 23 105.

MIAMI (103)

Long 2-7 1-2 5, Thompson 3-7 7-8 13, Seikaly 12-19 3-7 27, Rice 9-14 2-3 21, Douglas 5-6 10-14 20, Edwards 4-6 4-4 12, Coles 0-3 0-0 0, Davis 0-0 0-0 0, Burton 2-3 1-2 5. Totals 38-67 28-40 103.

Seattle	27	19	33	26	--105
Miami	27	19	28	29	--103

Three-point goals-Rice. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Seattle 31, Miami 20. Rebounds-Seattle 41 (Kemp 8), Miami 40 (Seikaly 10). Assists-Seattle 29 (Threatt 1), Miami 25 (Douglas 10). Technicals-Miami (illegal defense. A-15,008.

CHARLOTTE (110)

Gilliam 15-22 1-2 31, Newman 8-24 10-11 26, Reid 1-2 0-0 2, Bogues 2-6 4-5 8, Chapman 6-13 8-8 20, Gattison 0-6 1-2 1, Curry 4-12 0-2 9, Tripucka 1-1 0-0 2, Gill 2-6 0-0 4, Keys 1-4 0-0 2, Hoppen 2-3 1-1 5. Totals 42-99, 25-31, 110.

HOUSTON (116)

Johnson 5-11 5-6 15, Thorpe 5-12 7-8 17, Olajuwon 15-29 9-9 39, Floyd 5-13 9-9 20, Maxwell 2-12 4-4 9, Winchester 2-5 0-1 4, Feitl 0-0 0-0 0, Wood 2-2 4-4 8, L. Smith 2-3 0-0 4 Jamerson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-87 38-41 116.

Charlotte 23 23 33 31--110
Houston 35 27 26 28--116

Three-point goals-Curry 1, Floyd 1, Maxwell 1. Fouled out-Olajuwon. Total fouls-Charlotte 28, Houston 27. Rebounds-Charlotte 54 (Gilliam 21), Houston 49 (Olajuwon 20). Assists-Charlotte 21 (Bogues 12), Houston 21 (Floyd 9). Technicals-Houston illegal defense. A-13,001.

WASHINGTON (86)

King 10-21 5-6 25, Grant 3-9 2-4 8, Jones 2-3 0-1 4, Walker 2-7 0-0 4, Workman 2-7 0-0 4, Alarie 2-5 0-0 5, English 6-10 5-6 17, Ellison 0-0 2-2 2, Irvin 1-1 0-0 2, Eackles 6-11 2-5 14, Hammonds 0-1 0-2 0, Foster 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 34-76 17-26 86.

SACRAMENTO (104)

Simmons 2-9 2-2 6, Tisdale 12-13 3-3 27, Causwell 3-7 0-0, 6, Sparrow 7-9 4-5 18, Mays 6-17 11-13 26, Carr 6-13 2-3 14, Wood 0-2 0-0, 0, Hansen 1-7 0-2 3, Leckner 0-0 0-0 0, Calloway 1-3 0-0 2, Wennington 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 39-83 22-28 104.

Washington 18 22 27 19-- 86
Sacramento 28 27 23 26--104

Three-point field goals-Alarie, Mays 3, Hansen. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Washington 24, Sacramento 25. Rebounds-Washington 36 (Grant 8), Sacramento 42 (Tisdale 12). Assists-Washington 25 (Grant 6), Sacramento 26 (Simmons, Mays 5). Technical fouls-none. A-17,014.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Montreal	2	2	2	--6
Boston	2	1	1	--4

First period-1, Boston, Byers 2 (Hodge, Galley), 1:34. 2, Montreal, Lebeau 11 (Chorske, Pederson), pp, 11:16. 3, Montreal, Brunet 1 (Savard), 14:29. 4, Boston, Christian 13 (Poulin, Carpenter), 19:24.

Penalties-Chorske, Mon, 8:33; Ruzicka, Bos, 10:47; Brickley, Bos, 12:42; Pederson, Mon, 13:18; Odelein, Mon, 16:20; Byers, Bos, 16:20.

Second period-5, Montreal, Skrudland 8 (Savard, Svoboda), pp, 9:09. 6, Montreal, Desjardins 4 (Skrudland, Corson), 10:48. 7, Boston, Janney 8 (Bourque, Galley), pp, 19:17.

Penalties-Svoboda, Mon, 2:02; B. Sweeney, Bos, 2:02; Wiemer, Bos, 3:13; Skrudland, Mon, 7:02; Carpenter, Bos, 8:39; D. Sweeney, Bos, 15:26; Svoboda, Mon, 18:14; Schneider, Mon, 18:41; Carbonneau, Mon, 19:17; Carpenter, Bos, 19:17; Skrudland, Mon, 19:38; B. Sweeney, Bos, 19:38.

Third period-8, Montreal, Richer 13 (Corson, Schneider), 1:31. 9, Boston, Burridge 9 (Bourque), 15:10. 10, Montreal, Carbonneau 5 (Schneider), 19:59.

Penalties-Skrudland, Mon, 15:47; Bourque, Bos, 15:47; Courtnall, Mon, 16:26.

Shots on goal-Montreal 12-7-5-24. Boston 16- 11-12-39.

Power-play conversions-Montreal 5-2. Boston 6-1.

Goaltender-Montreal, Roy. Boston, Lemelin. A-14,448.

Referee: Bill McCreary.

Buffalo	0	3	1	-4
Philadelphia	0	1	2	-3

First period-None.

Penalties-Baron, Phi, 6:49; Sejba, Buf, 8:00; Mogilny, Buf, 14:18; Tocchet, Phi, 14:18; Ruuttu, Buf, 16:12.

Second period-1, Buffalo, Andreychuk 13 (Bodger, Hawerchuk), pp, 3:59. 2, Buffalo, Foligno 3 (Hawerchuk, Vaive), 6:25. 3, Buffalo, Snuggerud 2 (unassisted), sh, 9:36. 4, Philadelphia, Ricci 8 (Murphy, Latal), pp, 12:15.

Penalties-Latal, Phi, 2:58; Wells, Buf, 8:50; Hawerchuk, Buf, 12:11.

Third period-5, Philadelphia, Mellanby 10 (Sutter, Tocchet), 5:23. 6, Philadelphia, Smith 5 (Latal, Hostak), 6:00. 7, Buffalo, Vaive 8 (Bodger),

15:58.

Penalties-Malarchuk, Buf, major (spearing)-game misconduct (served by Vaive), 6:54; Ruuttu, Buf, 13:57; Acton, Phi, 13:57; Snuggerud, Buf, 18:38.

Shots on goal-Buffalo 12-8-7-27. Philadelphia 15-10-7-32.

Power-play conversions-Buffalo 2-1. Philadelphia 6-1.

Goaltenders-Buffalo, Malarchuk, Wakaluk (6:54, 3rd). Philadelphia, Peeters, Wregget (9:36, 2nd). A-17,266.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

NY Islanders	0	2	0	--2
Chicago	2	2	1	--5

First period-Chicago 1, Larmer 18 (Goulet, Roenick), pp, 1:55. 2, Chicago, Goulet, 6 (Larmer, Roenick), 4:52.

Penalties-Nylund NYI, 0:54; Wilson, Chi, 8:39; Murray, Chi, 16:37.

Second period-3, Chicago, Graham, 7 (Larmer, Yawney), 6:11. 4, New York, Ferraro, 5 (Baumgartner, Delgarno), 8:01. 5, New York, Volek 10 (unassisted), 8:29. 6, Chicago, Larmer 19 (Roenick, Brown), 13:47.

Penalties-McDonough, NYI, 1:49.

Third period-7, Chicago, Goulet 7 (Larmer, Roenick), 9:04.

Penalties-Vukota, NYI, 4:16; Creighton, Chi, 11:18; Pilon, NYI, (double minor) 14:50; McGill, Chi, 14:50.

Shots on goal-NY Islanders 16-7-8-31. Chicago 5-16-11-32.

Power play conversions-Islanders 3-0. Chicago 5-1. A-17,429.

Goalies-NY Islanders, Hackett. Chicago, Belfour.

Referee Paul Devorski.

Toronto	0	0	1	1--2
Minnesota	0	0	1	0--1

First period-None.

Penalties-Taglianetti, Min, :57; Snedden, Tor, 6:54.

Second period-None.

Penalties-Iafrate, Tor, (double-minor), 2:36; Casey, Min, (served by Sinisalo) 7:00; Hannan, Tor, 10:28.

Third period-1, Minnesota, Smail 5 (unassisted), 9:12. 2, Toronto, Shedden 4 (Clark, Krushelnyski), 18:28.

Overtime-3, Toronto, Ramage 6 (Clark), 2:57.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal- Toronto 5-6-7-4-22. Minnesota 9-12-9-0-30.

Power-play conversions-Toronto 4-0, Minnesota 4-0.

Goalies-Toronto, Ing. Minnesota, Casey. A-6,345.

Referee-Andy VanHellemond.

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The North Carolina Tar Heels justified their place in the ratings and preserved some measure of pride for the ACC on their home court.

Senior forward Rick Fox scored 18 points and sophomore forward George Lynch added 12 Thursday night to lead No. 10 North Carolina to a 79-64 win over No. 11 Connecticut in the ACC-Big East Challenge.

It was only the second victory for an ACC team in the four-day, eight-game matchup between the two East Coast conferences.

Coach Dean Smith used his tall, deep bench to wear down the Huskies, who sent the Tar Heels to the free-throw line 32 times, and North Carolina converted on 25 of the attempts.

The Huskies, 3-1, were led by junior guard Chris Smith, the game-high scorer with 21 points, and senior guard John Gwynn, who added 11 points.

In another ACC-Big East Challenge game, Lance Miller scored 23 points and forward Arron Bain added 21 to lead Villanova to a 91-82 victory over Wake Forest. The Big East dominated the series 6-2.

The Huskies blitzed to a 13-1 lead before North Carolina, 4-1, finally got into the game. Freshmen Eric Montross and Clifford Rozier paced an 11-5 run and the Tar Heels cut the lead to 18-14 at the 9:59 mark.

Gwynn hit two jumpers and the Huskies went up 25-14 with 7:15 left in the half. North Carolina's depth took its toll and the Tar Heels were 9- 11 at the free-throw line and cut the lead to 28-26 with 3:55 left in the half.

Gwynn and junior forward Rod Sellers paced Connecticut on a 12-7 run that gave the Huskies a 40-33 lead at the intermission.

Lynch sparked a 17-8 Tar Heel run to open the second half, including a jumper at the 9:44 mark to tie the game at 50-50.

North Carolina took its first lead at 54-52 with 6:59 left in the game when senior forward Pete Chilcutt grabbed an offensive rebound and jammed it in.

Lynch scored 5 points for North Carolina and the Tar Heels ripped off a 15-7 run to take a 69-59 lead with 2:36 left in the game.

Connecticut was forced to foul from that point and North Carolina was 6-7 from the line in the last two minutes of the game.

In the Villanova-Wake Forest game, Rodney Rogers nailed a three- pointer to pull the Deacons, 3-2, within 74-73 but Miller and Bain led a Wildcat charge and a 23-18 run to end the game. Villanova raised its record to 4-1. Chris King of Wake Forest led all scorers with 26 points and Rogers hit for 20, all in the second half.

In other games Thursday night, No. 13 Pittsburgh trounced Marshall 105-75, Tennessee Tech defeated No. 16 Southern Mississippi 84-78 and Purdue nipped California 66-65.

At Pittsburgh, Brian Shorter scored 17 of his 20 points in the second half to lead the 5-1 Panthers. Pitt started the game with full-court pressure on defense, jumping to leads of 18-3 and 27-7. Marshall, 3-3, turned the ball over 10 times in the first half. Darelle Porter had 17 points, 10 rebounds, eight assists and three steals.

At Memphis, Tenn., Dan Usher pumped in 17 points and handed out 11 assists to lead Tennessee Tech to the upset. An 8-1 second-half run built a 65-62 edge into a 73-63 bulge with 4:12 left. Usher scored 4 points in the run. Tennessee Tech hit seven of 10 free throws in the Final 3:30 to put the game away. Couples and Bruce Oglesby scored 15 points apiece for Tennessee Tech, 3-2. Russell Johnson Led Southern Mississippi, 2-1, with 19 points and Clarence Weatherspoon added 14.

At Berkeley, Calif., Woody Austin scored a career-high 31 points, including a three-pointer with just nine seconds left, lifting Purdue. Austin's efforts offset a record-setting performance by Cal's Ryan Drew. The senior guard hit five three-point shots in the contest to give him 181 in his career, eclipsing the Pac-10 career mark of 179 set by Oregon State's Gary Payton.

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KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA (DEC. 7) UPI - Tunku Abdul Rahman, the ''father of Malaysia'' and the nation's first prime minister, died at the age of 87, and a national day of mourning was declared by the government he opposed.

Rahman died Thursday night at the Kuala Lumpur General Hospital, where he had been kept on a life-support system since Wednesday after slipping into a coma.

The former leader, who stepped down as prime minister in 1970, was admitted to the hospital a week ago, suffering from dehydration, anemia, fever and intestinal bleeding.

His body was placed in a flag-draped coffin and brought to Malaysia's parliament, while throngs of weeping citizens lined the streets of the capital.

The coffin was later taken to a military airport to be flown to Rahman's home in the northern state of Kedah, where he will be interred at the Langgar Royal Mausoleum.

The government of Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad ordered all official and government functions canceled and declared a national day of mourning for Rahaman, who led the campaign for Malaysia's independence from Britain in 1957 and became its first prime minister.

''He was a statesman of the first rank and a man of vision,'' said Albert Talalla, Malaysia's ambassador to the United States.

After retiring in 1970, Rahman became secretary-general of the Organization of Islamic Conference, which comprises 40 nations and served at the headquarters in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

He also is credited with inspiring the formation of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations in 1961, comprised of the non-communist countries of Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, the Philipines, Thailand and Brunei. It stands today as one of the most viable regional groupings.

Although confined to a wheelchair in recent years due to frail health, Rahaman had remained active in the political coalition opposed to the government of his longtime rival Mahathir, who Rahaman once called a dictator.

In campaigning before the October general election, Rahaman urged voters to oust Mahathir and vote for the opposition led by former Trade and Industry Minister Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah.

Mahathir won a resounding victory for a third, five-year term.

Malaysia, a nation of 17 million people, is a federation comprised of the Malay Peninsula in southeast Asia as well as Sabah and Sarawak in northern Boreo. Singapore left the federation in 1965.

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PALMER, Alaska (DEC. 7) UPI - A moderate earthquake rattled central Alaska Thursday night, awaking residents but causing no damage or injury, said Wayne Jorgensen of the Alaska Tsunami Warning Center.

The quake, which struck at 11:55 local time, measured 5.0 on the Richter scale of ground motion and was centered 30 miles northwest of Anchorage.

''It was felt in quite a large area,'' Jorgensen said. ''It woke some people up.''

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PARIS (DEC. 7) UPI - A French Mirage jet crashed in Saudi Arabia while on a reconnaissance mission Friday, killing the pilot, Defense Ministry sources reported.

The pilot, who was not immediately identified, was the second French military officer killed in Saudi Arabia since Paris sent some 5,500 troops to the desert kingdom, according to the sources.

In November a French officer was killed in an automobile accident in the Saudi city of Khaled. Another officer was wounded in the accident.

France had eight Mirage F1CR jets like the one that crashed Friday. It also has eight Jaguar jet fighters and another eight Mirage 2000 planes, the sources said.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 7) UPI - Gunmen fired with automatic weapons on pedestrians, motorists and houses in the black township of Evaton south of Johannesburg overnight, killing three people and injuring at least five in a surge of factional violence, police said Friday.

In the township of Bekkersdal, to the west, police found the bodies of five men with hack and stab wounds after another overnight flare-up of internecine strife.

Police spokesman Capt. Piet van Deventer said an unknown number of black gunmen ''opened fire, possibly with AK-47s, at various spots in Evaton from about 9 p.m. until after midnight.'' They fatally shot three people and injured at least five in their attacks on homes and in streets, he said.

''We're believe that this was black factional violence but we're not sure exactly who was involved,'' van Deventer added.

Patrols discovered the bodies in Bekkersdal before 4 a.m. Friday, another spokesman said. ''They were not all in one spot ... it looked like there was some kind of small battle with knives and axes,'' he said.

He said the fighting ''was more of the so-called internecine conflict ... possibly tribal.''

Fighting among black factions tore through four townships east of Johannesburg on Sunday and Monday, leaving at least 71 people dead, but abated after the imposition of an overnight curfew and other emergency measures, officials said.

Both the African National Congress and the rival Zulu Inkatha movement warned Tuesday that the latest conflict threatened to undermine efforts to negotiate a power-sharing deal with the white-minority government but continued to blame each other for the violence.

Supporters of the ANC and Inkatha clashed in townships around Johannesburg during six weeks in August and September, leaving up to 800 people dead in South Africa's worst outbreak of urban factional fighting.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein called a special session of his National Assembly today to give pro forma approval of his order to release all foreign hostages, but Baghdad gave no indication when they would be permitted to leave.

Fire that began in a room filled with electrical equipment spread smoke through two floors of the Mirage Hotel-casino on the Las Vegas Strip last night. About 200 rooms were evacuated, but a hotel spokesman says there were NO injuries.

South African police found the bodies of five men who had been hacked and stabbed to death in a black township west of Johannesburg. A spokesman said the deaths may have been the result of tribal fighting.

Philippine officials raised transport fares today and promised to consider a new wage increase in a bid to defuse UNrest sparked by a sharp increase in petroleum prices. The fare increases were as high as 300 percent for taxis.

A 17-year-old British girl charged with trying to smuggle 65 pounds of heroin out of Thailand continues to insist on her innocence. Patricia Ann Cahill appeared today in a closed session of the Thai Juvenile Court to listen to testimony by the policeman who arrested her.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - Iraq's news agency says the Iraqi National Assembly today gave its official approval to yesterday's order by President Saddam Hussein to release all foreign hostages. In a special session held on the Moslem day of prayer, the assembly voted unanimously to immediately lift all travel restrictions for the thousands of Japanese and Western nationals still trapped in the troubled area.

The Pentagon says despite the hostage release order, Iraq continued this week to build up its military forces in the region, indicating that Saddam is not ready to meet the two other U-N objectives- Iraq's unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait and restoration of Kuwait's legitimate government.

The Philippines and the United States today adjourned talks on the future of strategic U-S military bases and decided to meet again next month in a final attempt to hammer out a new agreement. A joint statement released at the close of the three-day, third round of talks said ''progress was made on very complex issues, while acknowledging that much remains to be done.''

Ground controllers have taken control of the the space observatory aboard the space shuttle Columbia. Three of Columbia's four telescopes were knocked out of action yesterday when the second of two critical payload computers overheated and failed. But all three telescopes were back in action early Friday, although at reduced efficiency.

The man named as the Soviet Union's first ambassador to South Korea arrived today to assume his diplomatic post. Oleg Sokolov is to present his credentials to President Roh Tae-woo early next week and fly back to the Soviet Union to be present when Roh arrives in Moscow for a four-day visit. South Korea and the Soviet Union established full diplomatic relations on September 30th for the first time in their history.

Four years of world trade talks involving 107 nations were on the verge of collapse today in Brussels after the European Community rejected a compromise proposal on farm subsidies. Many officials said the best possible result was for trade ministers to agree to a ''cooling-off'' period in hopes of a better negotiating atmosphere in January. The talks are due to end today.

The man called the ''father of Malaysia'' has died at the age of 87. Tunku Abdul Rahman died last night at the Kuala Lumpur General Hospital, where he

had been kept on a life-support system since Wednesday after slipping into a coma. The former leader stepped down as prime minister in 1970. He led the campaign for Malaysia's independence from Britain in 1957 and became its first prime minister.

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Albuquerque sy	46	20	....
Anchorage sn	30	20	.02
Asheville r	60	35	....
Atlanta r	59	38	....
Baltimore mc	54	33	....
Billings sy	41	32	....
Birmingham r	58	40	.02
Bismarck pc	41	31	....
Boston pc	44	37	....
Brownsville w	79	50	....
Buffalo pc	39	31	....
Burlington Vt. pc	39	23	....
Charleston S.C. sh	60	51	....
Charlotte cy	60	40	....
Chicago cy	37	20	....
Cincinnati sy	48	28	....
Cleveland pc	39	28	....
Columbus Ohio sy	44	34	....
Dallas sy	55	33	....
Denver f	37	23	....
Des Moines cy	37	22	....
Detroit pc	42	21	....
Duluth cy	34	23	....
El Paso c	58	24	....
Evansville sy	48	27	....
Fargo pc	42	28	....
Hartford pc	44	30	....
Honolulu sy	85	68	....
Houston w	66	50	.16
Indianapolis sy	41	23	....
Jackson Miss. r	61	45	.12
Jacksonville sh	64	44	....
Kansas City sy	43	22	....
Las Vegas sy	60	34	....
Little Rock sy	53	35	.01
Los Angeles sy	85	56	....
Louisville sy	50	32	....

Memphis pc	54	36	....
Miami Beach sh	74	70	....
Milwaukee pc	34	19	....
Minneapolis pc	35	29	....
Nashville pc	56	36	....
New Orleans ts	64	50	.22
New York cy	47	37	....
Oklahoma City sy	55	26	....
Omaha pc	39	22	....
Orlando ts	71	53	....
Philadelphia pc	50	32	....
Phoenix sy	73	45	....
Pittsburgh pc	43	34	....
Portland Me. sy	39	26	....
Portland Ore. mc	49	31	....
Providence pc	46	29	....
Richmond mc	61	33	....
St. Louis sy	46	24	....
Salt Lake City sy	39	23	....
San Antonio w	71	43	....
San Diego sy	77	47	....
San Francisco pc	65	49	....
San Juan pc	84	68	....
Seattle fy	50	34	....
Spokane fy	42	24	....
Tampa ts	71	55	....
Washington mc	52	37	....
Wichita sy	47	19	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - The nation's unemployment rate rose to 5.9 percent in November from 5.7 percent last month and reached the highest level since October 1987, the Labor Department said Friday.

In yet another sign of the weakness spreading throughout the U.S. economy, employment levels fell sharply last month with non-farm payrolls losing 265,000 jobs. Manufacturing, construction and retail jobs were hardest hit.

The monthly job loss was the greatest since the recession of 1982 and the second consecutive large monthly decline.

The number of unemployed workers swelled by 300,000 to 7.4 million during the month. Most of the newly jobless were adult men. Unemployment rates for adult men have increased steadily through the year to reach 5. 4 percent in November.

Unemployment rates for other categories also increased. The adult women unemployment rate reached 5.1 percent last month; teenagers, 16.5 percent; whites, 5.1 percent; blacks, 12.4 percent and Hispanics, 8.6 percent.

Reflecting the increase number of factory layoffs, the unemployment rate for manufacturing workers rose nearly a percentage point last month to 6.6 percent. The construction industry, strapped by the nation's economic slowdown and tighter credit standards by lenders, posted an unemployment rate of 13.6 percent.

Layoffs accounted for much of the job losses in these industries. The number of job losers, who now make up more than half of the unemployed, rose by nearly 300,000 last month and by about 700,000 since June, the government said.

The number of people who recently lost their jobs and those who have been unemployed for more than 27 weeks also increased last month.

Total civilian employment declined by 450,000 to 117.3 million, continuing a downward trend that began in June. Employment among teenagers has been declining even longer, since March. The civilian labor force has changed little at 124.6 million.

Non-farm payroll showed a ''marked deterioration,'' the Labor Department said, with a decline of 265,000 jobs in November and a 180, 000 decline the month before.

Only mining and the service industry added jobs during the month.

The decline in manufacturing totaled 200,000, with reductions widespread throughout the industry. The greatest decline came from the automobile industry, which cut 55,000 jobs in November. Most of this reduction came from

temporary plant shutdowns to avoid excessive inventory, the government said.

But when the auto companies shave jobs, the impact is felt down the line. Jobs were lost last month in several other industries that supply automakers, including fabricated metals, rubber and plastics.

The construction industry continued to wallow last month, trimming 60,000 jobs. In the past six months, the industry has shed about 250,000 jobs.

The average workweek for production and non-supervisory workers rose by 0.2 hours in November to 34.4 hours, after declining by 0.5 hours the month before.

The manufacturing workweek decreased by 0.2 hours to 40.5 hours and factory overtime declined by 0.1 hour to 3.5 hours.

Average hourly earnings for production and non-supervisory workers remained essentially unchanged in November. Average hourly earnings rose by 0.7 percent because of the rebound in hours worked. Average weekly earnings edged down to $348.49.

Over the year, average hourly earnings have increased by 3.6 percent and average weekly earnings have gained 3 percent.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 7) UPI - Former President Jimmy Carter will lead a 33-member international delegation to monitor elections in Haiti later this month.

The Rev. Jean-Bertrand Aristide, a populist priest, is considered the front-runner among 11 contenders in the the Caribbean country's Dec. 16 presidential election. The election was marred by the deaths of seven people Wendesday in an attack on a campaign rally.

''For too long, the people of Haiti have been denied by a small violent group their opportunity to elect leaders,'' Carter said Thursday. ''Yesterday's deplorable violence indicates that this group is still trying to intimidate the Haitian people. We will not be deterred from our efforts to support the Haitians who continue to aspire to democracy.

''We are hoping these elections will provide the historical breakthrough that the people of Haiti want,'' he said.

Observers blamed Wednesday's violence on the Tonton Macoutes, a private militia that terrorized the Haitian populace during the Duvalier regime.

The international delegation will travel to Haiti under the sponsorship of The Carter Center's Council of Freely Elected Heads of Government in Atlanta and

the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs in Washington.

The team includes 33 members from 13 countries, including Belize Prime Minister George Price, former U.S. Deputy Secretary of State John Whitehead and representatives of heads of state in Venezuela, Jamaica, Barbados and Canada.

The delegation will arrive in Port-au-Prince Dec. 14 and remain in the country until the day after the election, Carter officials said. Members will work closely with teams from the Organization of American States and the United Nations to conduct a ''quick count'' of election results.

''We have already received assurances from the leadership of the armed forces and the government that they will help make this a free and fair election,'' Carter said. ''More important, the army and the government have been collaborating toward this end.''

The Council of Freely Elected Heads of Government is a group of 18 hemispheric leaders whose goal is to reinforce democracy. The group has observed elections in Panama, Nicaragua, the Dominican Republic, and has been asked to monitor election in Guyana next year.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - Iraq's news agency says the Iraqi parliament today voted 235-15 to approve yesterday's order from President Saddam Hussein to release all foreign hostages. The order to lift travel restrictions on foreign nationals takes effect immediately.

A French Mirage jet crashed in Saudi Arabia while on a reconnaissance mission today, killing the pilot. The pilot was the second French military officer killed in Saudi Arabia since Paris sent some troops to the desert kingdom.

Philippine President Corazon Aquino today dismissed demands in Congress for her resignation over the sharp increase in petroleum prices that sparked a call for a general strike and prompted the military to go on alert.

Police say gunmen fired with automatic weapons on pedestrians, motorists and houses in a black township south of Johannesburg overnight, killing three people and injuring at least five in a surge of factional violence.

A smoky fire in a house near the state fairgrounds in Indianapolis, Indiana, last night killed three children aged one, three and six. All three apparently died of smoke inhalation. Police say the fire likely began with grease burning in the home's kitchen.

The Dallas jury considering the fate of former Vernon Savings and Loan owner

Don Dixon resumes its deliberations this morning. The panel ended its first full day of deliberation yesterday without reaching a verdict.

A moderate earthquake rattled central Alaska last night, waking up residents, but causing no damage or injuries. The quake, measuring five on the Richter scale, was centered 30 miles northwest of Anchorage.

A settlement was reached yesterday in the lawsuit by Elizabeth Taylor and her former boyfriend over profits from her ''Passion'' perfume. Both sides agreed to drop their suits against each other, but NO details of the settlement were announced.

Industry and government sources say the U-S government is expected to offer to buy used cars from their owners in an effort to clean up the air as part of a new national energy strategy. The Energy Department is to forward the plan to the White House sometime after the first of the year.

Japanese journalist-in-space Toyohiro Akiyama reported today that Africa and Asia are so polluted that the filth can be seen from space. Akiyama is orbiting the earth aboard a soviet space station.

The White House says President Bush has invited new British Prime Minister John Major and his wife to visit Washington and Camp David on December 21st and 22nd. The Majors will be overnight guests at the presidential retreat in the Western Maryland mountains.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - Industry unemployment rates, seasonally adjusted, as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

Industry	Nov	Oct	Sept	Nov 89
Mining, Oil	4.9	3.7	3.8	6.2
Construction	13.6	13.2	11.8	9.8
Manufacturing	6.6	5.7	5.7	5.4
Transport & Util.	4.2	4.1	3.9	3.6
Whsl & rtl trade	6.8	6.7	6.6	6.4
Finance & service	4.6	4.4	4.7	4.3
Government	2.8	2.8	2.9	2.7
Agriculture	9.7	8.2	9.3	12.1

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - Unemployment rates in 11 selected states, seasonally adjusted, as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

State	Nov	Oct	Sept	Nov 89
California	6.7	6.0	5.9	5.1

Florida	6.3	6.2	6.0	5.6
Illinois	6.0	5.9	7.2	6.5
Massachusetts	7.0	6.3	6.2	4.4
Michigan	7.7	7.4	7.2	7.3
New Jersey	5.5	5.5	5.2	5.0
New York	5.4	5.6	5.5	5.3
North Carolina	5.1	4.6	3.7	2.9
Ohio	5.5	5.9	5.2	6.2
Pennsylvania	6.0	6.1	5.5	5.3
Texas	7.0	5.7	6.3	7.1

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - Unemployment rates by category, seasonally adjusted as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

Category	Nov	Oct	Sept	Nov 89
Civilian	5.9	5.7	5.7	5.3
Military-Civ	5.8	5.6	5.6	5.3
Adult men	5.4	5.1	5.1	4.6
Adult women	5.1	4.9	5.0	4.8
Teenagers	16.5	16.2	15.5	15.3
White	5.1	4.9	4.8	4.5
Black	12.4	11.8	12.1	11.9
Hispanic	8.6	8.1	8.7	8.0

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - Civilian unemployment rates for the past year, revised and adjusted for seasonal factors, as reported Friday by the Labor Department.

Month	Percent
November 1989	5.3
December	5.3
January	5.3
February	5.3
March	5.2
April	5.4
May	5.3
June	5.2
July	5.5
August	5.6
September	5.7
October	5.7
November 1990	5.9

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - The nation's labor market took a ''substantial and widespread'' hit last month as the unemployment rate rose 0.2 percent to 5.9 percent, the highest level in more than two years, the Labor Department said Friday.

In yet another sign of the weakness spreading throughout the U.S. economy, employment levels fell sharply last month with non-farm payrolls losing 267,000 jobs. Manufacturing, construction and retail jobs were hardest hit.

The monthly job loss was the greatest since the recession of 1982 and the second consecutive large monthly decline.

''In summary, the November labor market data show a substantial and widespread over-the-month deterioration,'' said Janet Norwood, commissioner of the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Norwood told the congressional Joint Economic Committee that sharp employment declines were spread throught the goods and services sectors of the economy, with the greatest hits in manufacturing and construction.

''Employment fell sharply and in nearly every industry,'' she said.

The number of unemployed workers swelled by 300,000 to 7.4 million during the month. Most of the newly jobless were adult men. Unemployment rates for adult men have increased steadily through the year to reach 5. 4 percent in November.

Unemployment rates for other categories also increased. The adult women unemployment rate reached 5.1 percent last month; teenagers, 16.5 percent; whites, 5.1 percent; blacks, 12.4 percent and Hispanics, 8.6 percent.

Reflecting the increase number of factory layoffs, the unemployment rate for manufacturing workers rose nearly a percentage point last month to 6.6 percent. The construction industry, strapped by the nation's economic slowdown and tighter credit standards by lenders, posted an unemployment rate of 13.6 percent.

Layoffs accounted for much of the job losses in these industries. The number of job losers, who now make up more than half of the unemployed, rose by nearly 300,000 last month and by about 700,000 since June, the government said.

The number people who recently lost their jobs and those who have been unemployed for more than 27 weeks also increased last month.

Total civilian employment declined by 450,000 to 117.3 million, continuing a downward trend that began in June. Employment among teenagers has been declining even longer, since March. The civilian labor force has changed

little at 124.6 million.

Non-farm payroll showed a ''marked deterioration,'' the Labor Department said, with a decline of 265,000 jobs in November and a 180, 000 decline the month before.

Only mining and the service industry added jobs during the month.

The decline in manufacturing totaled 200,000, with reductions widespread throughout the industry. The greatest decline came from the automobile industry, which cut 55,000 jobs in November. Most of this reduction came from temporary plant shutdowns to avoid excessive inventory, the government said.

But when the auto companies shave jobs, the impact is felt down the line. Jobs were lost last month in several other industries that supply automakers, including fabricated metals, rubber and plastics.

The construction industry continued to wallow last month, trimming 60,000 jobs. In the past six months, the industry has shed about 250,000 jobs.

The average workweek for production and non-supervisory workers rose 0.2 hours in November to 34.4 hours, after declining 0.5 hours the month before.

The manufacturing workweek decreased 0.2 hours to 40.5 hours and factory overtime declined 0.1 hour to 3.5 hours.

Average hourly earnings for production and non-supervisory workers remained essentially unchanged in November. Average hourly earnings rose 0.7 percent because of the rebound in hours worked. Average weekly earnings edged down to $348.49.

Over the year, average hourly earnings have increased 3.6 percent and average weekly earnings have gained 3 percent.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberden cy	1pm	35	02
Amstrdm c	1pm	40	04
Ankara cy	3pm	49	09
Athens cy	2pm	63	17
Aucklnd cy	12m	65	18
Beijing c	8pm	46	08
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm

Berlin cy	1pm	32	00
Bonn c	1pm	35	02
Brussels c	1pm	37	03
Cairo c	2pm	76	24
Casblnc cy	12n	66	18
Copnhgn cy	1pm	40	04
Dakar c	12n	85	29
Dublin cy	1pm	36	02
Geneva pc	1pm	30	-01
Helsinki r	2pm	41	05
Hong Kng c	8pm	68	20
Jerusalem c	2pm	68	20
Karachi m	5pm	mm	mm
Lisbon pc	1pm	55	13
London c	1pm	46	07
Madrid cy	1pm	38	03
Malta cy	1pm	55	13
Manila cy	8pm	83	28
Moscow c	3pm	26	-03
Nairobi cy	3pm	76	24
Nassau r	7am	72	22
New Delh m	6pm	mm	mm
Nice c	1pm	51	10
Oslo pc	1pm	39	04
Paris pc	1pm	29	-01
Pretoria cy	2pm	81	27
Riyadh m	3pm	82	28
Rome pc	1pm	45	07
Seoul cy	9pm	53	11
Sofia r	2pm	36	02
Stockhlm cy	1pm	44	07
Sydney cy	10pm	79	26
Taipei pc	8pm	73	23
Tokyo hz	9pm	52	11
Tunis pc	1pm	55	12
Vienna pc	1pm	29	-01
Warsaw c	1pm	32	00

Latin America

Buens Ars cy	9am	62	16
Caracas pc	8am	67	19
Havana m	7am	mm	mm
Lima cy	7am	65	18
Mexic Cty hz	6am	48	08
Rio de Jnr pc	9am	87	31
Santiago c	8am	62	17

Canada

Calgary cy	46	07
Edmonton pc	41	05
Montreal c	36	02
Ottawa cy	36	02
Regina c	40	04
Toronto c	38	03
Vancouver c	47	08
Winnipeg c	30	-01

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90341u0723 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 7) UPI - Iraq's news agency says today's National Assembly vote endorsing President Saddam Hussein's order to free all hostages was NOT unanimous. In a special session, the assembly voted 235-15 to immediately lift all travel restrictions for an estimated six-thousand Western and Japanese nationals still trapped in the troubled area. The news agency said that proponents of the release called the vote a gesture of peace.

There will be NO agreement at the current session of the world trade talks in Belgium. The talks involving 107 nations will be formally adjourned without an agreement today, and will resume at a future date in Geneva. Last night, the 12-nation European Community flatly rejected a compromise plan on farm subsidies proposed by the Swedish chairman of the agriculture negotiating committee.

All of the shuttle Columbia's computers that have slowed astronomical observations are working today. The Columbia astronauts put emergency procedures into effect today, allowing ground controllers to help operate their space observatory by remote control. The astronauts still plan to teach an astronomy lesson from space today. They will explain the spectrum of electromagnetic radiation to schoolchildren during a morning television broadcast from space.

The Israeli military has clamped curfews on much of the Israeli- occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip in advance of the third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising. Army Radio says in a West Bank village north of Jerusalem, masked men shot and wounded the deputy mayor. Residents said the attack likely was motivated by suspicions that the Arab was collaborating with Israeli authorities.

The president of Bulgaria has nominated the chairman of Sofia's Municipal Court as prime minister. Judge Dimitar Popov is seen as a ''neutral'' candidate picked to fill the vacancy created by the collapse of the Socialist-led government. The nomination will be put before the Bulgarian Grand National Assembly for approval later today.

A member of the rap group The Fat Boys and two members of the group's entourage have been charged with sexually abusing a minor at a suburban Philadelphia party. Singer Darren ''Buffy'' Robinson... his brother and manager, Curtis Robinson... and a bodyguard, Pell ''Pony Boy'' Wimeley.. . all turned themselves in to face the charges. The three... along with Edward Kelso... were charged after state police received a videotape of an August party the men attended.

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LONDON (DEC. 7) UPI - Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir ended a one-day visit to Britain Friday, calling on the U.N. Security Council not to reward Iraq for releasing hostages.

Shamir is scheduled to arrive in Washington Friday afternoon. He is to talk with President Bush on Tuesday.

After a brief meeting Thursday with British Prime Minister John Major, Shamir said the imminent release of hostages by Iraq still left other issues unresolved.

''In my opinion it doesn't change anything,'' Shamir said in a radio interview. ''It's a usual step of people who use blackmail.

''He (Saddam Hussein) took the hostages without any justification. Taking hostages was the outrageous act of a dictatorial power and now he's going to, maybe going to, release them and he wants to get paid for it,'' he said.

Pressure on Iraq should be maintained until it fulfilled all the U.N. resolutions, which include demands that Iraq withdraw unconditionally from Kuwait and restore the ousted emir of Kuwait's government.

The British Broadcasting Corp. reported that the United States had proposed to the permanent members of the U.N. Security Council that they arrange a Middle

East peace conference. Iraq has called for its invasion of Kuwait to be linked to the Palestinian cause.

Both Bush and Baker denied the BBC report and have rejected any link between the Kuwait invasion and the Palestinians.

Major told Shamir of Britain's support for a Middle East peace conference, but the Israeli leader said a conference would be unacceptable.

''An international conference is not the way to solve our conflict with the Arab world,'' he said. ''It will be rather a dictate to us by a automatic majority of interested countries.''

Shamir denied that his country wishes to see a war to eliminate the Iraqi military threat to Israel.

''Israel doesn't want any war with any country in the world. We have our immense tasks now before us and we want to carry out our tasks in peace.

''We are aware of the danger Iraq constitutes for all the region, including us but we do not like to have a war. We are not pushing anybody towards a war.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $371.80, silver base of $4.15 and platinum price of $425.90:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$387.20	382.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	198.70	196.50
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	102.10	101.00
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.20	41.70
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	387.20	382.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	198.70	196.50
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	102.60	101.50
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.20	41.70
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	393.40	389.10
China Panda .50 troy oz.	202.70	200.50
China Panda .25 troy oz.	105.10	103.60
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	44.80
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.10	26.70
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	387.30	382.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	197.90	195.10
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	100.00	98.70

British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.10	42.00
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	385.80	381.60
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	199.80	197.70
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	102.60	101.50
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	43.70	43.20
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	385.00	382.00
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	197.90	196.40
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	85.40	84.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.00	43.70
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.50	23.40
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.55	$5.55
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,180	$3,180
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,350	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	441.00	443.00
Isle of Man Noble	438.00	440.00
Canada Maple Leaf	449.00	451.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90341u0784 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (DEC. 7) UPI - Plans to complete the massive U.S. troop buildup in the Persian Gulf are unchanged by Iraq's statement that all hostages will be released, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said Friday.

Cheney, at a meeting of NATO defense ministers, also requested that U.S. allies send additional heavy combat troops to the gulf, as well as artillery and air defense systems.

''We have no plans to alter the deployment now under way,'' Cheney said. ''If the hostages are released, we welcome that, but we don't think Saddam Hussein deserves praise for having decided to release people held in violation of every norm of international behavior.

''We have no plans whatsoever to change our course or our objectives or our policy,'' Cheney told a news conference after a joint meeting of NATO's Defense Planning Committee and Nuclear Planning Group.

Cheney said the additional 150,000 U.S. troops ordered to the gulf last month will be ''sufficient to give us offensive military capability should it be required,'' but he asked other NATO countries to send troops if possible.

''Most valuable at this point,'' he said, would be self-sustaining heavy combat units ''ready to support themselves and not be a logistical drain'' on existing supply networks, but still part of an integrated command structure.

He also asked for additional sealift and airlift support to transport troops and supplies.

Cheney said his requests to other NATO defense ministers were ''generalized,'' and did not seek an immediate response.

''I did not come with specific requests, saying, 'I want Country X to commit an additional brigade,''' he said.

Cheney rejected any settlement of the gulf crisis that would allow Iraq to keep part of Kuwait.

''To allow Saddam Hussein to benefit from his aggression, by saying he's able to keep 10 percent of what he stole or 20 percent of what he stole or 30 percent of what he stole, would do fundamental violence to the very principles that are at stake here,'' he said.

''Such a settlement would be reminiscent of historial precedents where we've seen appeasement of dictators in the past,'' Cheney said.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Hauser Chem Research (2nd Q 10-31)	
$1,592,424	$609,304
$57,648 (.02)	d-$26,646
d-Deficit.	
Hurco Cos (4th Q 10-31)	
$24,939,000	$27,959,000
$1,094,000 (.20)	$2,910,000 (.51)

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#90341u0801 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (DEC. 7) UPI - Fleet/Norstar Financial Group Inc. said Friday it had begun laying off 500 employees, or almost 3 percent of its workforce, as recession continued to take its toll on New England banking companies.

The across-the-board staff cuts at Fleet should be substantially completed next week, said Robert Lougee Jr., a company spokesman.

Fleet, the region's No. 2 banking company after Bank of Boston Corp., also said it plans to slash $75 million in annual expenses through the layoffs and a range of other cost-saving measures.

These economies include cutting pay raises to about 4 percent from an average 5.5 percent annually, extending the wait for raises to 18 months from one year slashing outside costs such as legal fees, and eliminating bonuses for senior managment, Lougee said.

The company started informing laid-off employees over the past week and ''others will be notified in the next week. Most of these terminations will be effective immediately,'' he said.

In what Lougee said would be mostly a ''symbolic gesture,'' the company also will cut its directors' pay from $18,000 a year to $12,000 annually.

The layoffs, which will be concentrated in the company's banks, will reduce employment to 17,800 from about 18,300 currently, Lougee said.

''This action relates more directly to the slumping economy in the Northeast and I guess we're clearly in a recession now and maybe the nation is in a recession,'' he said.

In November, Fleet slashed its stock dividend to 20 cents a share from 35 cents, saying ''many ecnomic undertainties loom on the horizon.''

Fleet/Norstar, with $31 billion in assets, owns five New York State banks operating under variations of the Norstar name, and four in New England, three under the Fleet name and United Bank in Connecticut.

For the first nine months of 1990, Fleet earned just $434,000, well down from$279 milllion in the first nine months last year. Nonperforming assets grew $254 million in the first three quarters this year.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 70.00-72.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 117.63-120.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 37.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $192.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $426.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $427.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 272.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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LAS VEGAS, NV (DEC. 7) UPI - Lloyds Bank of London is the new owner of the shuttered, 498-room Landmark hotel-casino a block east of the famed Las Vegas Strip. The resort closed in August when no bids were tendered in a public auction.

The bank paid a reported $20 million for the property to protect a $25 million loan made in 1988 to former owner William Morris. The sale places a $6 million debt owed by Morris to Imperial Palace hotel-casino owner Ralph Engelstad in

limbo, along with another $1.7 million owed to taxicab company owner Charles Frias.

Reno attorney Lee Molof, representing the bank, declined to say Thursday what the financial institution planned to do with the resort.

The Landmark hotel-casino, a space-needle shaped resort once owned by the late billionaire Howard Hughes, is located on a choice piece of real estate across the street from the busy Las Vegas Convention Center.

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#90341u0844 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (DEC. 7) UPI - NATO plans to approve by next spring an overhauled strategy that dramatically reduces nuclear weapons and the size of standing forces, alliance defense ministers said Friday.

The defense ministers, concluding a two-day meeting of NATO's Defense Planning Committee and Nuclear Planning Group, said the alliance must adapt to the past year's stunning changes in Europe.

''The risks the allies now face in Europe arise principally not from the likelihood of deliberate aggression against allied territory, but rather as unforeseeable consequences of instabilities that might emerge in a period of rapid and widespread political, social and economic transformation,'' they said in a final communique.

NATO's new force structure, the defense ministers said, must be able to respond quickly to localized conflicts in Europe.

''Our future force posture will be based on smaller, more mobile and flexible active forces,'' many of them comprised of multinational units, they said.

There will also be ''further dramatic reductions in the number of NATO's nuclear weapons retained in Europe,'' the NATO ministers said.

NATO strategy for decades was based on the now-obsolete policies of ''forward defense'' and ''flexible response,'' which called for the use of nuclear weapons if necessary to repel an overwhelming conventional attack.

Those policies, said NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner, have ''been largely overtaken by events,'' including the signing last month of a massive conventional arms treaty that eliminates risk of a surprise attack in Europe.

But Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said other risks remain, including the residual Soviet military threat and the proliferation of chemical and biological weapons.

''I can assure you the United States will maintain substantial nuclear and conventional forces in Europe,'' Cheney said at a news conference.

The defense ministers again endorsed a 1988 decision to construct a new air base at Crotone in southern Italy, which would replace a base in Spain as headquarters for NATO's 401st Tactical Fighter Wing in the alliance's southern region.

Congress, citing the new era of East-West harmony, has questioned whether the costly base is still needed. The defense ministers did not discuss changing the base's funding formula, which requires the United States to pay the largest share.

NATO's strategic review began last summer, after the July NATO summit in London.

''Work on the stategy review is proceeding well and we expect to be in a position to approve the new strategic concept next spring,'' the defense ministers said.

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INDIANAPOLIS (DEC. 7) UPI - A tax preparer who once listed a client's cat as a dependent worth $2,350 in child care credits and deductions was sentenced to two years in prison Thursday.

Johnny Lee Motley, 40, was convicted in September of assisting in the filing of 19 false federal income tax returns.

The tax returns listed $34,000 of undeserved credits and deductions.

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#90341u0862 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

HONOLULU (DEC. 7) UPI - Forty-nine years ago Friday the Imperial Japanese Navy attacked the American fleet at anchor in Pearl Harbor and catapulted the United States into war.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt, in asking Congress to declare a state of war, called Dec. 7, 1941, ''a date which will live in infamy.''

Silent ever since that day nearly a half-century ago, the sunken battleship USS Arizona with nearly 1,200 men entombed in her hull was the focal point of commemorations Friday.

Throughout the day, American flags were to be raised briefly and then lowered over the battleship and offered to each state to be used next year during the

50th anniversary of the attack.

Ceremonies over the harbor were to include a flyover of fighter jets and the playing of taps.

In Chicago, meanwhile, a Marine-turned-lawnmower repairman was crusading to make Dec. 7 a national holiday.

''I'll bet you less than 25 percent of the people know about it (the anniversary of the attack), and that number is getting less all the time,'' Richard Foltynewicz, 65, told the Chicago Tribune.

Foltynewicz created the Foundation for a National Pearl Harbor Day and has been trying to persuade business leaders and the public. He also began a fund-raising drive, Pennies for Pearl, for a commemorative 50th anniversary plaque to be placed at the Arizona Memorial.

In Fullerton, Calif., retired Navy Cmdr. George Pierson, 78, was affixing his letters with upside-down flag stamps - the international naval distress signal.

Pierson, a pilot, was at Pearl Harbor for the attack. The stamps are his small gesture at remembering America's most infamous military setback.

In Indianapolis, a bell from the World War II battleship USS Indianapolis was to be rung 2,403 times - once for each American killed in the sneak attack.

Six battleships and several smaller vessels were sunk and many othersseriously damaged in the attack. Officials have estimated that it took the U.S. Navy a year to recover from the disaster.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 7) UPI - The military clamped curfews on much of the Israeli-occupied territories Friday in advance of the third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising, which one analyst maintains cannot die down because it has ''no alternative.''

This weekend marks two important dates in the uprising - two months on Saturday since Israeli police opened fire and killed at least 17 Palestinians on the Temple Mount in Jerusalem's Old City and the third anniversary on Sunday of the intifada, the Arabic name given to the Palestinian uprising.

Recent leaflets by Palestinian nationalist and Moslem fundamentalist underground leaders called on Palestinians to fight the Israeli occupation with ''all forms of struggle.'' Israeli officials have interpreted the phrase to mean a possible rise in the use of guns and other weapons, which Palestinians generally have refrained from using against Israelis during most

of the uprising.

In the wake of the slayings on the Temple Mount, Islam's third holiest site, Arabs carried out a series of stabbing attacks against Israelis. Four Israelis were killed and several were wounded.

Two Palestinian teenagers from the West Bank were arrested in Jerusalem's Old City Friday in possession of knives, police said. During interrogation, the teenagers told police they had planned to stab soldiers or policemen, a police spokesman said.

Police also detained a 14-year-old Jewish religious academy student carrying a kitchen knife in the Old City at the entrance to the Western Wall, Judaism's holiest site. Army Radio reported the teenager said he was carrying the knife for self-defense.

''The intifada is not dying down and will not die down in the near future simply because it has no alternative,'' Israeli commentator Ron Ben-Yishai wrote in the Yediot Ahronot newspaper. ''At the moment, the Palestinians, the official Israel and the international community do not have a practical proposal for a solution.''

Palestinians in the occupied territories proclaimed general strikes for Saturday and Sunday. In an effort to stem violence on the anniversaries, the military imposed curfews on an estimated 20 Palestinian communities and refugee camps in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, confining more than 400,000 Arabs to their homes.

The West Bank town of Ramallah also was declared a closed military zone. Military closures and curfews in the West Bank and Gaza Strip have become routine during the 3-year-old Palestinian uprising, with the army sealing off the occupied territories for the first time since 1967 on March 28, 1988.

During the closures, journalists are forbidden from entering the area.

In his commentary on the Palestinian uprising, Ben-Yishai said restrained optimism at the start of the uprising's third year had edged toward despair.

''A large part of their political achievements in the first two years of the uprising were lost (in 1990),'' Ben-Yishai wrote.

''The bases of power that they had in the international arena have collapsed, the economic situation of the territory residents has significantly deteriorated, the internal murders have harmed their self- image in their relations between themselves and between the Israeli public,'' Ben-Yishai wrote.

According to military statistics, more than 310 Palestinians have been killed

by other Palestinians while 625 Palestinians have been killed by soldiers since the uprising began Dec. 9, 1987.

In the West Bank village of El Bireh, north of Jerusalem, masked men shot and wounded the deputy mayor Friday and residents said the attack likely was motivated by suspicions the Arab was collaborating with Israeli authorities, Army Radio reported.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Allegheny Power Sys	Q	.79	12-28	12-14
Consumers Water Co	Q	.27 1/2	2-25	2-8
General Host Corp	Q	.08	1-4	12-21
General Pub Util	Q	.65	2-27	1-25
Hancock Fabrics	Q	.14	1-15	1-1
MBIA Inc	Q	.14	1-15	12-20
Moscom Corp	S	.02	1-2	12-17
Pratt & Lambert	Q	.13	1-2	12-17
Schlumberger Ltd	Q	.30	1-11	12-17
TJX Companies	Q	.11 1/2	2-28	2-7

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-annual

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OTTAWA (DEC. 7) UPI - Canada's jobless rate soared 0.3 percent last month to hit 9.1 percent, with huge declines in employment posted in the manufacturing and construction sectors, Statistics Canada reported Friday.

The federal government's data gathering agency said the rate was at its highest since May, 1987. Men were hardest hit as well as those over 25 years of age.

The unemployment rate rose to 9.3 percent among men, but edge down slightly to 8.8 percent for women.

The manufacturing sector has suffered an 8.9 percent decline in employment since November, 1989 while the construction sector lost 7.9 percent. There was a 1.4 percent increase in service sector jobs in the last 12 months, with the largest gains in trade, finance, insurance and real estate.

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BELGRADE (DEC. 7) UPI - Serbian opposition leaders reiterated Friday fears that the ruling communists plan to win the first multi-party elections in Yugoslavia's largest republic since 1945 through fraud and intimidation.

''I'm sure we shall discover that the dead have voted,'' Vuk Draskovic, the head of the nationalist Serbian Renewal Movement and the main opposition candidate for president, told a news conference.

More than 6.86 million people are eligible to vote Sunday for a president and 250-member assembly in an election expected to help determine Yugoslavia's political future through its impact on a dispute over the shape of a new federal constitution.

Nationalist governments elected earlier this year in Slovenia and Croatia are demanding that Yugoslavia be transformed into a confederation of independent states linked by trade.

Serbia's ruling communists support the continuation of a federation of six republics unless Serbia is enlarged to include Serbian enclaves now outside its borders. They have refused to negotiate on the issue, while the main Serbian opposition groups say they will hold talks with Slovenian and Croatian leaders.

The communist regime of Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic is facing a stiff challenge for re-election, although it is given an advantage by most experts because of its tight grip on the media, bureaucracy and economy.

Draskovic and several other prominent opposition leaders said Milosevic and his party would be unable to win fair elections and are being supported by the communist-led Yugoslav military.

Ivan Djuric, a history professor and presidential candidate of federal Prime Minister Ante Markovic's Alliance of Reformist Forces, charged that opposition supporters have been ''arrested, ill-treated and intimidated'' by police.

''The first multi-party elections are being held in an atmosphere of fear ... and terror,'' said Draskovic.

The leaders expressed concerns about a decision by the republic Election Commission to permit people unable to vote Sunday to cast ballots Friday and Saturday.

They said those votes would be cast without monitoring by opposition poll-watchers and that the Election Commission failed to provide stringent guidelines on determining qualifications for early voting.

''We have already protested to the republic Election Commission,'' said Dragoljub Micunovic, the leader of the Democratic Party.

The Milosevic government, however, said opposition representatives were allowed to monitor the early voting.

Micunovic said the Election Commission is also allowing unsupervised voting before Sunday by hospital patients, members of the communist-led military and police posted in the restive province of Kosovo, where ethnic Albanians have been agitating for more self-rule.

The leaders said they are demanding that officials not permit voting to begin Sunday until all early ballots are counted.

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OMAHA (DEC. 7) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 25; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 1,500; butchers fully steady except 270 lb and heavier steady to 50 lower No 1-3 215- 260 lb 48.50-49.00, No 2-3 250-290 lb 45.50-48.00; sows 25 percent, under 500 lb 1.00 lower, over 500 lb steady, No 1-3 350-500 lb 40.00, few near 500 lb 40.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 41.00-41.50.

Sheep none.

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The United States insisted deep cuts in farm subsidies were essential because developing countries that produce food cheaply will not otherwise agree to new trade rules in the other areas.

EC officials said hefty subsidies are necessary to protect the Community's 10 million farmers, mostly small landowners. There are about 2 million farmers in the United States.

The Canadian trade minister, John Crosbie, urged all sides to reexamine their positions on agriculture in hopes of finding a compromise when talks resume.

''Since this is a key issue, the EC bears a heavy responsibility,'' he said. ''This is not a recrimination. Its a statement of fact. The EC will have to take a serious look at what it can do. Others can take a serious look at lowering their expectations.''

The EC proposed a 30 percent cut in farm supports from 1986 when subsidies were at their peak. The United States sought cuts in agriculture supports of 75 percent, including a 90 percent slash in export subsidies.

A final attempt to find common ground failed dramatically on Thursday night.

A compromise proposed by the Swedish chairman of the agriculture negotiating committee called for subsidy cuts of 30 percent over a five- year period beginning in 1991.

Following initial signs of optimism, the EC adamantly rejected the Swedish proposal on grounds it ignored subsidy cuts since 1986.

Early Friday, GATT Director General Arthur Dunkel concluded that further talks at this time would be fruitless.

More than 2,500 delegates participated in this week's GATT talks at the site of the 1958 World's Fair. Nearby is Belgium's national stadium, site of another disaster - the 1985 soccer riot in which 39 people were killed.

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KITTERY, Maine (DEC. 7) UPI - Portsmouth Naval Shipyard has received permission from the Pentagon to lay off 1,400 employees by next spring because of a declining workload, the facility's administrative officer said Friday.

The layoffs had been anticipated for some time, but had not received final approval.

''In order to remain a viable and competitive organization, (the shipyard) has implemented an aggressive outplacement program as compensations for the inadequacy of normal attrition to balance the workforce size to the projected workload,'' said Lt. Cmdr. Heather Chambers, the shipyard's administrative officer.

Workers to lose their jobs will be notified in February and the layoffs will be completed by April.

The job cuts will be across-the-board.

About 7,900 workers are employed at the shipyard. Most of the workers live in Maine and New Hampshire, but some are from Massachusetts.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close

Dec. 7, 1990

Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk
Growth	457.37	off 5.85	up 3.87
Growth & Income	712.14	off 6.11	up 3.64
Balanced	465.90	off 6.03	up 2.97
Average Fund Performances:			
Capital Appreciation (144)		off 8.62	up 3.39

Growth (264)		off	6.16	up	3.79
Small Co. Growth (83)		off	12.13	up	4.17
Growth & Income (205)		off	5.23	up	3.54
Equity Income (69)		off	6.47	up	2.85
Average 765 Equity		off	7.07	up	3.61
Health/Biotech (9)		up	17.28	up	3.70
Natural Resources (19)		off	8.38	off	0.76
Environmental (5)		off	10.08	up	4.23
Science & Technology (23)		off	4.10	up	4.55
Specialty/Misc (30)		off	12.94	up	3.60
Utility (15)		off	2.14	up	1.65
Financial Services (9)		off	16.21	up	6.19
Real Estate (6)		off	16.59	up	2.99
Option Income (10)		off	4.09	up	3.54
Global (45)		off	9.03	up	2.38
International (60)		off	9.79	up	2.16
European Region (19)		off	1.47	up	1.78
Pacific Region (17)		off	16.62	up	0.06
Gold Oriented (36)		off	28.15	off	3.47
Average All Equity (1063)		off	8.06	up	3.07
Flexible Portfolio (48)		off	2.08	up	2.30
Global Flexible Port (11)		off	3.79	up	1.53
Balanced (64)		off	0.98	up	2.42
Convertible Security (31)		off	8.33	up	2.06
Mixed Income (13)		off	0.20	up	1.63
Income (4)		off	7.27	up	1.51
World Income (49)		up	13.19	up	0.41
Fixed Income (542)		up	3.46	up	1.05
Average 1830 Funds		off	3.60	up	2.32
Median 1830 Funds		off	3.20	up	2.20
Unmanaged Market Indicators:					
DJ Industrial	2,602.48	off	5.47	up	3.32
S&P 500	329.07	off	6.89	up	4.00
S&P 400	384.86	off	4.62	up	3.67
NYSE Composite	179.71	off	7.86	up	3.80
Amex	306.35	off	18.96	up	2.16

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)

Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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WARSAW, POLAND (DEC. 7) UPI - The government Friday said an expected influx of refugees from the economically troubled Soviet Union would put tremendous

strain on Poland and that the Eastern European nation may need Western aid.

Col. Zbigniew Skoczylas, the Interior Ministry official in charge of refugees, said Poland respects the 1951 United Nations Convention on Refugees and will do its best to help them.

But he said if the neighboring Soviet Union dissolves into chaos, the Polish economy will collapse, especially without Western help.

''Annual feeding and accommodation would cost Poland some $1.2 billion and it would mean the collapse of Polish economy,'' he said.

Skoczylas said the government is developing three scenarios to provide assistance, each depending on developments in the Soviet Union.

Scenario No. 1 envisages restrictions, such as an obligation to change $20 per day by those trying to cross the border, followed by the introduction of visas. That would be tantamount to closing the border if number of those who wanted to come approached 8 million, as envisaged.

About 3 million Soviet citizens visited Poland in the last 10 months to do shopping and the estimates are their number would grow to 4 million by the end of 1990.

Scenario No. 2 takes into account the possibility of the imposition of martial law in the Soviet Union or on the part of its territory to suppress growing unrest.

Skoczylas said if martial law were declared, perhaps some Soviet citizens staying in Poland for shopping and trading would declare they are political refugees.

The worst scenario anticipates the outbreak of revolution, in which case some 2 million people could flee into Polish territory on their way to Western Europe.

''The third scenario is of a nightmarish and science fiction character,'' he said. ''If this horror came through, the Polish state would collapse and would cause a domino effect moving westward.''

He said Poland could accommodate some refugees in four Polish provinces, where most of the vacation centers are, for some time, but the cost would have to be shared by the all of Europe.

Skoczylas said a nightmare can be prevented by aiding the Soviet Union now.

''Europe must help the Soviet Union whether we like it or not,'' he said.

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#90341u1046 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 7) UPI - The hostages may be home for Christmas. That distinct possibility comes after Iraq's rubber-stamp National Assembly approved Saddam Hussein's suggestion that all foreigners held against their will in Iraq and occupied Kuwait be allowed to go home. The move took the rest of the world by surprise and officials are now scrambling for ways to get the hostages out. It may be NO small project. The State Department says there are an estimated six-thousand foreign nationals trapped in the area.

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The Philippines and the United States have adjourned another series of talks over the future of U-S military bases in the Philippines. They said they made some progress, but did NOT reach an agreement. They will meet again next month. The United States wants to reduce its forces in the Philippines gradually over the next 10 to 12 years and keep only a small force after that.

Residents of central Indiana reported UNusual lights in the sky this morning. Some described it as a fireball, others as a steady blue light and still others as a blue light with a flashing white light. The National Weather Service in Indianapolis said it knew of NO atmospheric conditions to create any unusual lights.

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Later, the head of the U.S. Council for International Business urged renewed efforts to break the deadlock.

''There is simply too much at stake for the world economy and the future prosperity of each country to permit these negotiations to fail,'' said Joseph E. Connor, chairman and president of the U.S. Council, an affiliate of the International Chamber of Commerce.

''The fact that the negotiations have not been terminated still holds out some hope that constructive agreements dealing with all the issues can yet be reached in time to meet the effective deadline of March 1 within the American legal mandate,'' said Connor, chairman of Price Waterhouse World Firm, in New York. ''Given the impasse over agriculture, it is understandable why so many countries are unwilling to proceed in other areas of negotiation. This logjam must be broken.''

GATT, established in 1947, now covers only merchandise trade. The current round of GATT talks, known as the Uruguay Round after the country where

negotiations began in 1986, has sought to extend world trade rules to critical new areas, including services, textiles, investment, agriculture and copyright protection.

The United States insisted deep cuts in farm subsidies were essential because developing countries that produce food cheaply will not otherwise agree to new trade rules in the other areas.

But EC officials said hefty subsidies are necessary to protect the Community's 10 million farmers, mostly small landowners. There are about 2 million farmers in the United States.

John Crosbie, the Canadian trade minister, urged all sides to reexamine their positions on agriculture in hopes of finding a compromise when talks resume.

''Since this is a key issue, the EC bears a heavy responsibility,'' he said. ''This is not a recrimination. It's a statement of fact. The EC will have to take a serious look at what it can do. Others can take a serious look at lowering their expectations.''

While in Venezuela, President Bush issued a statement renewing the U. S. commitment to ''a timely and successful conclusion'' of the talks.

Bush said that he hoped the ''participants, especially the EC, will take this opportunity to reflect upon their position on agriculture and develop the political will to negotiate real market-opening agreements while there is still time to do so.''

The EC proposed a 30 percent cut in farm supports from 1986, when subsidies were at their peak. The United States sought cuts in agriculture supports of 75 percent, including a 90 percent slash in export subsidies.

A final attempt to find common ground failed dramatically Thursday night.

A compromise proposed by the Swedish chairman of the agriculture negotiating committee called for subsidy cuts of 30 percent over a five- year period beginning in 1991.

Following initial signs of optimism, the EC adamantly rejected the Swedish proposal on grounds it ignored subsidy cuts since 1986.

Early Friday, GATT Director General Arthur Dunkel concluded that further talks would be fruitless.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Southwest Bank of St. Louis, frequently a leader in

reducing the prime lending rate, Friday said it will trim that benchmark for commercial and consumer loans to 9.75 percent from 10 percent as of Monday.

''We think it's good for the economy, good for the bank, good for our customers,'' said I.A. Long, chairman emeritus of the Missouri bank long known for leading the way in slashing the prime lending rate.

''I think that it's prime time for a prime cut,'' said economist David Brinner who follows business and consumer issues for Data Resources Inc. of Lexington Mass., a McGraw-Hill Inc. unit. ''It's appropriate. I believe the large banks will have to follow, if not this week then next.''

But Long, 91, said he not only doubted big banks would rapidly follow, but he didn't mind a bit. ''We get awfully good public relations as a result of being the lowest prime rate in the nation,'' he averred.

Southwest's cut was matched later Friday by Manufacturers & Traders Bank of Buffalo, N.Y., a unit of First Empire State Corp., and First Fidelity Bancorp of Lawrenceville, N.J., but no major banks dropped the rate.

The last time Southwest and other banks cut the prime rate, offered to their most creditworthy commercial clients and frequently the basis for setting home equity and other consumer lending rates, was Jan. 8. At that time the prime was brought down to 10 percent from 10.5 percent.

Since then, the Federal Reserve has lowered the key Federal funds rate, which banks charge each other for the short-term use of reserve funds and serves as a building block for other rates, to 7.50 percent from 8.25 percent.

That means the spread, or margin, between the Fed funds rate and the prime has widened to 2.50 percent from 1.75 percent for banks which haven't followed Southwest in its quarter-point prime cut. Banks have been slow to narrow that spread, say analysts, because their profits are so poor.

While the Fed has eased credit three times in 1990, Long said, banks haven't kept pace on the prime. ''We felt it was very much in order ... to give our commercial customers the benefit of this at this time,'' he said.

Banks usually bring the prime down in half-point steps. But Long said he and his associates thought it ''appropriate'' to trim it by 25 basis points, as the Fed has been easing its funds rate by quarter-point increments.

Southwest's easing came soon after the Fed announced it was relaxing reserve requirements for banks. Banks soon will start earning interest on nearly $14 billion which they previously had to hold in reserve in their vaults as cash or place on interest-free deposit with the central bank.

The Fed made clear that in giving banks use of such funds, it hoped to boost

bank profits, help rebuild capital and encourage institutions to start lending again to creditworthy customers to end a ''credit crunch.'' Many business people say banks have been refusing loans even to good customers.

Long said he hoped that besides encouraging borrowing by small businesses and middle-market companies, a lower prime is ''another factor that will help slow down this decline in the economy which seems to be gaining momentum.''

''Every industry and every company of any consequence does some borrowing, so immediately it has some effect,'' he said.

DRI/McGraw-Hill's Brinner agreed.

''A quarter point is not going to eliminate a recession,'' he said. ''But if it is the first of several steps, it will limit the depth and duration of a recession.''

Declining interest rates, combined with plunging oil prices and reduced fears of a Mideast war, should help end the recession by spring, he said.

Brinner noted that one-year Treasury note yields have declined to around 7.15 percent from 8.15 percent in early 1990. As they descend beneath 7 percent in early 1991, homeowners with adjustable mortgages tied to the government note could see their payments shrink by nearly 10 percent.

''It will help us pay our fuel oil bills and gasoline bills,'' he said, and put more money into the economy to stimulate business.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - Hoping to help salvage the political career of a friend she met when he was an altar boy in the 1940s, Arizona Gov. Rose Mofford went before the Senate ethics committee Friday to defend the ''excellent reputation'' of Sen. Dennis DeConcini, one of the so-called Keating Five senators.

Mofford was the lone witness before the panel on its 14th day of hearings to determine whether DeConcini, D-Ariz., and Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., John Glenn, D-Ohio, John McCain, R-Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich., applied improper pressure on bank regulators to benefit a major political contributor, indicted savings and loan operator Charles Keating Jr.

Influence-peddling allegations by witnesses increasingly have focused on DeConcini and Cranston. Mofford, a Democrat, is one of a series of character witnesses DeConcini says he will present to the six panel members in an effort to deflect a litany of damaging testimony by current and former S&L regulators.

Mofford told the committee her family knew the DeConcini family in the 1940s and ''I first met Dennis when he was an altar boy in St. Gregory's church in Phoenix'' when DeConcini was about 10 or 11 years old. ''Our relationship has been an affectionate one,'' she said, tracing DeConcini's career through his days as a lawyer and prosecutor before being elected to the Senate in 1976.

James Hamilton, the senator's lawyer, asked Mofford: ''Do you know Senator DeConcini's reputation for truth and veracity in Arizona?''

''He has an excellent reputation,'' she responded. ''His word is his bond.''

Three bank regulators have accused DeConcini of offering a deal to benefit Keating's failing Lincoln Savings and Loan, whose parent company was based in Phoenix, during two meetings in April 1987 with regulators. The deal involved regulators agreeing to look the other way on Lincoln's $600 million violation of regulations limiting risky direct thrift investments in exchange for Lincoln making more home loans.

The regulators also allege DeConcini sought to make them take steps in their probe of Lincoln that would have greatly delayed their examination report, which eventually urged seizing the thrift from Keating. Lincoln's 1989 failure is the biggest in the nation's S&L scandal and will cost American taxpayers $2 billion to bail out.

DeConcini claims all his actions regarding Keating were mere constituent service for an important home-state businessman.

''Dennis, better than any other public official I know, works at making the system work for the constituent,'' Mofford testified.

Mofford pointed out that Lincoln's parent company, American Continental Corp., was ''a major component'' of the state's economy, saying that at the time of the meetings with regulators the company was the sixth-largest revenue generator in the state.

The governor also said Keating was not regarded as a villain in 1987.

''He was considered a very successful businessman and very charitable,'' she said.

Keating has been indicted on state securities and fraud charges in California and is the target of a continuing federal grand jury investigation.

DeConcini said he was ''most grateful'' to Mofford for her testimony.

Mofford did not speak on behalf of McCain. Committee special counsel Robert Bennett has already recommended McCain be cleared of any wrongdoing.

Mofford suggested she was not trying to slight McCain. ''But my work with Senator DeConcini stands over many more years than with Senator McCain,'' she said after her testimony.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages fell to 9.81 percent from 9.90 percent while adjustable-rate notes decline to 8.04 percent from 8.08 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (DEC. 7) UPI - Increased sabotage of El Salvador's electrical system by leftist rebels has made it impossible for utility companies to meet the country's power needs, officials said Friday.

''The electricity situation is dramatic,'' a spokesman for the Electrical Lighting Commission of San Salvador told United Press International. ''Every time we repair four sabotaged lines, within hours they knock down eight more.''

The spokesman, who asked not to be identified, said the situation is so critical in the capital that the state-owned power company could not advise customers of its rationing schedule.

He said rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front used explosives to knock out eight 115,000-volt transmission lines Friday.

A spokesman for the Hydroelectric Commission said the country would have only 44 percent of its energy capacity Friday.

Electricity rationing has been in effect all over this small Central American country since rebels intensified attacks on the U.S.-supported Salvadoran government Nov. 20. Rebels say the limited offensive was launched to force the government of President Alfredo Cristiani to make concessions in peace talks.

Sections of the capital are without power for up to eight hours a day.

Traffic jams are widespread as drivers try to bully their way through unregulated intersections. Businesses and industries frequently have to shut down and wait for the lights to come back on.

With the upscaled campaign straining the military's resources, most police have long since been diverted from directing traffic to guarding against unpredictable guerrilla attacks.

The government estimates that it has spent more than $55 million repairing

sabotaged power lines during a decade of civil war that has cost more than 72,000 lives, mostly civilians. The economic cost has been estimated at $4 billion, or close to El Salvador's gross domestic product in a bad year.

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PARIS (DEC. 7) UPI - President Francois Mitterrand and German Chancellor Helmut Kohl called Friday for the establishment of a common European defense policy and an enhanced role for the European Parliament and the European Council.

In a joint letter to the 10 other members of the European Economic Community ahead of next week's EC summit in Rome, the two leaders said that European political unity should ''include a truly European security policy that will in time lead to a common defense.''

Kohl and Mitterrand proposed an examination of the relationships between the 12 EC countries, the Western European Union, and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

''We are convinced that the Atlantic Alliance in its entirety will be reinforced by a growth in the role and responsibility of the Europeans and by the construction in its center of a European pillar,'' the two leaders wrote.

Kohl and Mitterrand said a common European foreign policy should eventually extend to all areas, but they suggested that it could be immediately put into practice in areas including the EC's relations with the Soviet Union and the East European countries and arms negotiations.

The two leaders, who met Wednesday evening for a private dinner at the presidential Elysee Palace in Paris, appeared to be trying to take advantage of British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's resignation to breathe new life into the creation of a European monetary and political union, according to political sources in Paris.

Kohl and Mitterrand said in their letter that the European Council, made up of the 12 heads of state that make up the EC, should see its role and mission enlarged.

The two leaders suggested that the European Council adopt the rule of majority vote for most issues, with exceptions limited to a small number of sectors.

Currently, decisions taken by the European Council must be voted unanimously, a situation that has led to difficulties in the past when one member, such as Britain under Thatcher, opposed a decision on monetary unity or other matters.

Concerning the European Parliament, whose current powers are now limited to

voting on the EC budget, Kohl and Mitterrand suggest that as a first step the Commission president be confirmed by the Parliament, with the other Commission members submitted to the same procedure in the future.

They also urged that the Parliament have the right to approve the European Council's decisions if they are deemed to be of a legislative nature. Under current practice Commission decisions automatically become law.

As the 12 EC members move toward the elimination of internal trade barriers after 1992, the EC Commission has seen its powers increased substantially, leading to concern that the European integration process is short on democratic institutions.

The project to enhance the role of the Parliament and to subject the EC Commissioners to Parliamentary approval was seen by EC observers as an effort to increase the Commission's accountability to elected officials.

Kohl and Mitterrand also suggested that the EC be given increased powers in areas such as the environment, health, energy and consumer protection.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - James Bias apologized to the audience gathered to hear a discussion about gun violence. ''I have to leave here and bury my son.''

Jay Bias, 20, brother of fallen basketball star Len Bias, was gunned down in suburban Washington Tuesday, cementing the area's notorious reputation as the nation's murder capital.

James Bias took time out Friday from making arrangements for his son's funeral to plead for a national campaign to limit the sale and ownership of guns, which he called ''instruments of death.''

''When you buy a gun, you buy it for the purpose of killing,'' he said. And then in a rapid-fire burst of emotion he blurted: ''Tomorrow when you pick up the paper ... it might be yours. It's my son this time - it could be yours next time.''

The panelists, assembled on Capitol Hill by the Coalition to Stop Gun Violence maintained that prompt action is needed to break the death grip that guns have on America.

Julian Bond, civil rights activist and former Georgia state legislator, noted that the discussion was taking place 10 years to the day that John Lennon was shot to death in front of his New York City apartment.

In the decade since then, Bond said, guns have claimed the lives of 200,000

Americans - a number greater than the combined American war dead in Korea, Vietnam, Grenada and Panama.

''And still the violence continues,'' he said.

Most of panelists called for legislation to limit the availability of guns and for a national campaign to change violent behavior. All expressed alarm that disputes are frequently being settled with gunfire.

''Violence is a learned behavior,'' James Bias said. ''Nobody is born violent.''

Police say a dispute was apparently at the center of Jay Bias's death. He was confronted in a jewerly store Tuesday afternoon by a man who claimed he was flirting with the man's common-law wife, a clerk at the store.

The man later shot Bias in the back outside the jewelry store in Hyattsville, Md., a suburb of Washington. He was pronounced dead at a hospital less than two hours later.

Jay Bias was just 16 when his brother, Len, a University of Maryland basketball star, died of a cocaine overdose June 19, 1986, just three days after he was drafted in the first round by the Boston Celtics. The death brought national attention to the dangers of cocaine. James Bias said he hoped the death of Jay Bias do the same for gun violence.

''It's time to make some moves and get some things done,'' he said. ''Make the phone jump off the hook. If you don't, there will be more Jay Biases.''

Dr. Beverly Coleman-Miller, assistant to the District of Columbia commissioner of public health, said violence is becoming so commonplace in Washington that some teenagers go to three or four funerals a week. She recalled seeing one teenager who attended a funeral in casual clothes while eating a hamburger.

She added that there has been no public outcry over the violence because ''people do not believe that this level of crime is going to touch them.''

Jesse Jackson, who accompanied James Bias to the hearing, said, ''We must change our tolerance level for violence. We must put this issue of drugs and violence at the center of the '92 campaign.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - The jury showed signs of progress Friday in the eighth day of deliberations at the Central Park jogger trial, turning its focus to the written confession of the second youth on trial for rape and attempted murder.

For the first time, the jurors in State Supreme Court in Manhattan asked for evidence tied to Kharey Wise, 18, requesting his written confession about the night of random violence in Central Park on April 19, 1989.

This came after nearly a week of concentrating on the other defendant Kevin Richardson, 16.

Both teenagers are accused of gang-raping a woman jogger, beating her into a coma and leaving her for dead in a muddy gully. They are accused of being part of a gang of up to 30 youths that roamed the moonlit park, randomly beating and robbing joggers and bicyclists.

Nine victims were attacked during the one-hour ''wilding'' spree. The most seriously injured victim was the 30-year-old investment banker. She suffered two skull fractures and lost three-quarters of her blood before she was discovered hours after the attack.

Richardson is free on $25,000 bail. Wise has been held at Rikers Island on $50,000 bail since his arrest days after the attack.

As the five-man, seven-woman jury entered its second week of deliberation, the lawyers, reporters and the families of the youths milled about the hallways, waiting for a verdict.

Justice Thomas Galligan has given up the solitude of his chambers for the activity of the courtroom, where he sat on the bench sketching reporters and jurors.

The prosecutor's most powerful tool is the videotaped confessions of Richardson and Wise. Richardson admits getting scratched by the woman, but claims he was trying to stop the attack. Wise admits ''playing with her leg'' while the rape was under way.

The jury also asked to look at glossy photographs of the jogger's injuries and the crime scene off a jogging path near the park's 102nd Street Transverse.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - With a Middle East war apparently delayed until at least Jan. 15, currently overflowing oil supplies are more than ample to carry consuming nations through the winter, a major oil company estimated Friday.

Because of last week's U.N. ultimatum authorizing the use of force unless Iraq leaves occupied Kuwait by Jan. 15, ''the situation looks adequate in terms of supplies for the winter under anything but the most extreme combination of circumstances,'' a senior executive for a major oil company said.

By that date, all supplies needed through March will have been loaded on tankers for the 45 day trip from the Persian Gulf to the United States and other western nations, said the executive, whose company closely tracks the movement of Middle East oil.

''From a volumetric point of view, you've loaded basically all of your winter oil by Jan. 15, the U.N. cutoff date,'' said the executive, who requested anonymity.

He said that the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries is pumping about 1 million barrels more daily than the 22.5 million barrel-a-day limit the cartel set for itself in July before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion.

Thanks to higher output from Iran and Saudi Arabia, the OPEC cartel has more than made up for the 4.2 million barrels lost daily as a result of the U.N. embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports imposed after the invasion.

Iran, in particular, is saddled with 30 million to 60 million excess barrels of crude it's had to store on tankers because it failed last month to read lower market demand and reduce prices for heavy crude, the executive said.

Depending on whether you only count tankers being used to store crude or include tankers enroute to markets with as-yet-unsold oil, Iran's excess crude could vary from 30 to 60 million barrels, he said.

''Either number says that Iran has been producing oil it has not been able to sell and storing it on ships - a significant amount of oil and it's primarily heavy crude.''

He said the Saudia Arabia has the same problem to a much lesser extent. ''There's no real evidence'' the Saudis are having to store on ships crude overflowing their on-land storage tanks.

''But there may be stuff they would have liked to have sold by now that's steaming toward markets,'' the executive said.

Saudi prices have been by-and-large more responsive to the real markets than the Iranians have, he said. ''They changed their heavy crude prices last month while the Iranians weren't as fast in their reaction.''

The Iranians have since lowered their prices, ''but we still don't seen an awful lot of action'' buying their crude, the executive said.

If something happens to interrupt world production both the Iranians and the consuming nations will be glad of the excess stocks, he said.

His company estimated November crude output for Iran at 3.4 million barrels a

day and that for Saudi Arabia between 8.1 million and 8.2 million barrels daily, up from October Saudi output of 7.7 million barrels daily, the executive said.

Saudi Arabia had been pumping about 5.6 million barrels of crude daily prior to the invasion and may have reached the limit of its production capability although it ''may be able to squeeze out a couple of hundred thousand barrels a day more,'' he said.

The executive said his company was forecasting the same 23.5 million barrels-a-day OPEC output for December as in November with maybe a slight rise in Saudi production and a slight decline in that of Iran.

Daily output of the United Arab Emirates, another OPEC member with excess capacity, has remained relatively constant over the last few months at 2.3 million barrels, several hundred thousand barrels higher than its pre-invasion production.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 7) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Friday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - The rubber-stamp Iraqi National Assembly, carrying out President Saddam Hussein's order, voted Friday to free all foreign nationals held hostage in Iraq and occupied Kuwait, the official Iraqi news agency INA said.

In a special session on the Moslem day of prayer, the assembly voted 235-15 to lift all travel restrictions for about 6,000 Western and Japanese nationals still trapped in the troubled area, INA said.

But the Iraqis did not say when the hostages would be freed.

A British Airways Boeing 767 left London for Baghdad Friday, but its crew did not know when they would return with the first load of 1,125 British hostages

held in Iraq and Kuwait.

In Santiago, Chile, where President Bush was visiting on his five- country tour of South America, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said: ''We obviously welcome the vote of the assembly and hope the release of our hostages can be carried out as quickly and effectively as possible.''

Fitzwater said charge d'affaires Joseph Wilson would be meeting with Iraqi Foreign Ministry officials to discuss the logistics of the release.

The State Department is urging Americans still hiding inside Iraq and Kuwait to out of sight until Iraq makes clear when and how they can leave.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said if all Americans in Kuwait are allowed to leave, the U.S. Embassy would be vacated but would not be formally closed.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, asked on the ABC-TV progam ''Nightline'' if the hostages would be free by Christmas, replied: ''Well, I hope so. Yes, I think that by Christmas, everybody could ... could leave.''

Aziz said if the embassy in Kuwait is vacated, the United States ''will be given all the guarantees they are asking for. The building will be secure and there would be no problem about that ....''

Asked if foreigners still hiding in Kuwait are included in the release, Aziz said, ''Yes, yes, absolutely. They shouldn't be in hiding now after the decision taken by the National Assembly.''

Last month, Saddam said he would free the hostages in batches beginning Christmas Day and ending March 25.

In a message Thursday to the speaker of Iraq's National Assembly, Saddam told the parliament to ''lift the ban on the travel of all foreigners whose travel abroad has been restricted and to take a decision to this effect,'' according to the Iraqi News Agency.

Proponents of the release called the assembly vote a gesture of peace, the agency said.

Freedom for all foreign nationals held by Iraq since its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait would meet one of the three U.N. objectives for resolving the 4-month-old Persian Gulf crisis.

But Pentagon officials said Iraq continued this week to build up its military forces in the region, indicating Saddam is not ready to meet the two other U.N. objectives - unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait and restoration of Kuwait's legitimate government.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said plans to complete the massive U.S. troop buildup in the Persian Gulf are not affected by the hostage issue. He told a meeting Friday of NATO defense ministers in Brussels that the additional 150,000 U.S. troops ordered to the gulf last month will be ''sufficient to give us offensive military capability should it be required.''

''We have no plans to alter the deployment now under way,'' Cheney said. ''If the hostages are released, we welcome that, but we don't think Saddam Hussein deserves praise for having decided to release people held in violation of every norm of international behavior.''

He also urged NATO members to send more combat troops to the gulf, as well as artillery and air defense systems.

A U.N. Security Council resolution passed Nov. 29 authorizes a U.S.- led multinational force arrayed in the Persian Gulf to forcibly dislodge Iraq from Kuwait after Jan. 15 unless Iraqi withdraws before then.

Iraq and the United States are preparing for top-level talks Bush called for Nov. 30. Baker is to travel to Baghdad to speak with Saddam and Aziz will meet with Bush in Washington.

Bush and Secretary of State James Baker said Saddam's announcement demonstrated that international military and diplomatic pressure against Iraq ''is working.''

Saddam's decision to free the hostages reportedly was made on a suggestion Wednesday of three of his few remaining Arab allies - Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat, Jordan's King Hussein and the vice president of Yemen.

The exact number of foreign hostages has never been established, partly because some remained in hiding. But the State Department's latest estimate indicates 900 U.S. citizens, including 88 ''human shields'' at key Iraqi installations, and about 5,000 from other countries.

This tally does not including Arab nationals who chose to stay.

Iraq has released many hostages and recently agreed to allow some 3, 300 Soviet captives to leave the country.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 7) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev defended perestroika Friday from attacks by state enterprise bosses demanding a return to strong central control, saying state-run businesses are as much to blame for the crippled

economy as the government.

Gorbachev acknowledged in a speech to about 3,000 directors of state enterprises that there have been blunders on the road to economic reforms but he said the Soviet Union cannot turn back.

The Soviet president also used the speech to announce the latest personnel shakeup in his government reorganization plan - with new appointments to the posts of justice minister, chief prosecutor and other positions designed to strengthen law and order and deal with economic disputes.

Justice Minister Veniamin Yakovlev was replaced and appointed the country's chief arbiter, heading a little publicized government department that is supposed to rule on economic disputes between enterprises and other public bodies.

Sergei Lushchikov, the deputy chairman of the Parliament committee on legislation, will replace Yakovlev as justice minister and Russian republic chief prosecutor Nikolai Turbin was appointed chief Soviet prosecutor, Tass said.

The moves followed the replacement last week of moderate Interior Minister Vadim Bakatin as part of a plan by Gorbachev to restructure the government to place more power directly under the president to deal with the myriad economic and political crisises in the country.

During the two-day meeting of leaders of state enterprises, most of them conservative communists, speaker after speaker lashed out at reforms they said destroyed the state control system and led to the economic crisis.

''Gorbachev took issue with allegations that the entire economic policy of the current leadership was flawed,'' Tass said of the meeting.

The Soviet leader acknowledged that ''in the course of economic reform serious blunders were made that led to commodity and monetary imbalances and a growing budget deficit,'' but he stressed that the move toward a market system ''was and remains the only true course.''

The directorships of state enterprises are generally limited to loyal communists and the group that filled a hall at the Kremlin Thursday and Friday reflected the conservative wing of the party.

''It was not accidental that the audience responded with indignation to Mikhail Gorbachev's remark that enterprise managers were no less to blame for the lamentable state of the country's economy than the government,'' Tass said in a commentary.

Conservatives have been calling for a return to strict central control,

blaming food shortages and other economic ills on reforms while disregarding evidence that 70 years of communism crippled the economic system.

''The meeting was also useful for critics of the president and the government who have been calling for a faster transition to the market,'' Tass said in its commentary, ''because the gathering showed vividly the thick layer of misunderstanding and incompetence the country had yet to overcome to normalize its economy.''

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(DEC. 7) UPI - The Unemployment rate in November increased to five-point-nine percent... the highest in more than two years. It was the greatest job loss since the recession of 1982. A Labor Department official says employment fell sharply in nearly every industry. Seven-point-four Million people were out of work last month.

Controllers at the Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Alabama, have been able to take over remote control operation of telescopes on the shuttle Columbia. Then the astronauts were able to make their science observations. Three telescopes were knocked out of action because two on-board computers failed.

A small St. Louis bank cut its prime lending rate today by one- quarter of one percent. It had been 10 percent. Although Southwest Bank is small, it often is a leader in adjusting prime rates. The change is the first cut in the prime by a major bank since January.

Both sides blame each other for collapse of world trade talks after four years of hard work. The 12-member European Community refused to cut heavy farm subsidies by more than 30 percent. The United States and other farm exporting countries wanted the subsidies cut by up to 75 percent.

President Bush is aboard Air Force One headed north to Venezuela and the last stop on a 12-thousand mile swing through South America. It is the most important trip to the area by a U-S president since Dwight Eisenhower made the journey. Bush is headed to Caracas following a visit to Chile.

Former President Carter heads a 33-member international delegation that will arrive in Haiti December 14th to observe the December 16th presidential elections in the Caribbean nation. The Carter group will work with the Organization of American States and the U-N in monitoring what goes on.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (DEC. 7) UPI - Working around a computer failure, the

Columbia astronauts resumed probing the heavens Friday, beaming back a torrent of priceless data and teaching an astronomy lesson encouraging kids to study math and science.

After studying the shattered remnants of an exploded star, energetic galaxies and other high-priority targets, the shuttle astronomers focused their instruments on the moons of Jupiter to learn more about their composition.

''We've had a lot of setbacks, but success is at hand here,'' said astronomer Arthur Davidsen. ''This is not a failure by anybody's stretch of the imagination. We're making so much progress it's unbelievable. I think we're winning this game now.''

Late Friday, mission scientist Ted Gull summed up the day by telling reporters ''there is great science coming down and we are excited to say the least.''

With elated researchers poring over a flood of data, payload communicator Debbie Underwood radioed Columbia: ''It looks like every observation is a first down and every new discovery is a touchdown.''

''What a great analogy,'' Durrance replied. ''That sounds good.''

Closer to home, Columbia's crew planned to attempt seeing NASA's Galileo probe Saturday as the unmanned spacecraft raced past Earth on a convoluted path to Jupiter, although at a distance of 2,162 miles, the probe will be difficult to see. Meanwhile, the work in orbit continued.

After implementing an emergency plan switching control of Columbia's three ultraviolet telescopes to the ground, priceless data from the space shuttle has been flowing back to Earth in a steady stream, thrilling researchers who have been on an emotional roller coaster since launch Sunday.

''This has been quite an interesting and dynamic mission,'' astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman said in a telecast from space that was beamed into school rooms across the nation. ''We've shown that in spaceflight, you have to be extremely adaptable and able to accommodate things that fail. ''

Three of Columbia's four telescopes were knocked out of action Thursday when the second of two critical payload computers overheated and failed, leaving the astronauts with no way to aim their ultraviolet telescopes.

A fourth telescope, one sensitive to X-rays, was not affected by the computer problem and was able to gather data throughout the troubleshooting.

To salvage the glitch-plagued flight, the astronauts and scientists on Earth quickly improvised a way to let ground controllers, working by remote control, to aim the telescopes in the general direction of a given target.

After that, the astronauts were able to zoom in using a joystick controller to make critical science observations, achieving levels of efficiency rivaling what they expected before the computer failures.

''We are holding real steady (on the target) and want to congratulate you for doing an outstanding job,'' Underwood radioed the crew at one point Friday from the Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala.

''Why thank you. We aim to please,'' Durrance replied.

Durrance, 47, Hoffman, 46, Ronald Parise, 39, and Robert Parker, 53, are professional astronomers by training. Their three crewmates - commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44 - are responsible for keeping Columbia pointed in the right direction.

Landing is scheduled for Tuesday night at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif.

The revised operating plan is tedious and the astronauts' ultimate efficiency has yet to be seen. But they are continuing to gather valuable data about the most violent stars and galaxies in the universe after a dismal start.

''Most of the mission so far has been fairly tedious,'' Parise said, answering a student's question. ''In our case, unfortunately we've had some failures with some computer terminals that have caused us to redo the way we operate this mission.

''It's quite tedious and time consuming to try to figure out how to do that. But we're slowly working around everything and we're getting science data and doing our jobs.''

Since blastoff Sunday, Columbia's mission has been beset by technical glitches and hardware failures that derailed the crew's carefully planned schedule and severely limited the number of astronomical observations they were able to accomplish during the first half of the mission.

The most serious problem was the failure Sunday and Thursday of the shuttle's two payload computers, electronic brains that allowed the astronauts to issue orders to a complex computerized telescope mount needed to aim their ultraviolet telescopes.

The crippling computer shutdown occurred about 7:15 a.m. Thursday after the crew noticed a burning smell similar to the odor that preceded the failure of an identical computer nine hours after liftoff Sunday on the 38th shuttle mission.

The astronauts removed an access panel on the computer that failed Sunday and found its ventilation ducts clogged with dust, which probably caused it to overheat. After the vents were vacuumed, the astronauts attempted to restart

the computer, but they quickly smelled a burning odor and shut it off.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 7) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev defended perestroika Friday from attacks by state enterprise bosses demanding a return to strong central control, saying state-run businesses are as much to blame for the crippled economy as the government.

Gorbachev acknowledged in a speech to about 3,000 directors of state enterprises that there have been blunders on the road to economic reforms but he said the Soviet Union cannot turn back.

The Soviet president also used the speech to announce the latest personnel shakeup in his government reorganization plan - with new appointments to the posts of justice minister, chief prosecutor and other positions designed to strengthen law and order and deal with economic disputes.

Justice Minister Veniamin Yakovlev was replaced and appointed the country's chief arbiter, heading a little publicized government department that is supposed to rule on economic disputes between enterprises and other public bodies.

Sergei Lushchikov, the deputy chairman of the Parliament committee on legislation, will replace Yakovlev as justice minister and Russian republic chief prosecutor Nikolai Turbin was appointed chief Soviet prosecutor, Tass said.

The moves followed the replacement last week of moderate Interior Minister Vadim Bakatin as part of a plan by Gorbachev to restructure the government to place more power directly under the president to deal with the myriad economic and political crisises in the country.

During the two-day meeting of leaders of state enterprises, most of them conservative communists, speaker after speaker lashed out at reforms they said destroyed the state control system and led to the economic crisis.

''Gorbachev took issue with allegations that the entire economic policy of the current leadership was flawed,'' Tass said of the meeting.

The Soviet leader acknowledged that ''in the course of economic reform serious blunders were made that led to commodity and monetary imbalances and a growing budget deficit,'' but he stressed that the move toward a market system ''was and remains the only true course.''

The directorships of state enterprises are generally limited to loyal communists and the group that filled a hall at the Kremlin Thursday and Friday

reflected the conservative wing of the party.

''It was not accidental that the audience responded with indignation to Mikhail Gorbachev's remark that enterprise managers were no less to blame for the lamentable state of the country's economy than the government,'' Tass said in a commentary.

Conservatives have been calling for a return to strict central control, blaming food shortages and other economic ills on reforms while disregarding evidence that 70 years of communism crippled the economic system.

''The meeting was also useful for critics of the president and the government who have been calling for a faster transition to the market,'' Tass said in its commentary, ''because the gathering showed vividly the thick layer of misunderstanding and incompetence the country had yet to overcome to normalize its economy.''

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SPACE CENTER, HOUSTON (DEC. 7) UPI - Finally realizing Christa McAuliffe's dream, the shuttle Columbia's crew taught a lesson from orbit Friday, explaining the wonders of astronomy and urging school kids to study math and science.

The lessons from space were televised and beamed down to classrooms across the nation in a project to show students how astronauts live and work in orbit and to describe the value of studying the entire electromagnetic spectrum to learn more about the structure and evolution of the cosmos.

''I'm talking to you from the space shuttle Columbia orbiting 200 miles above the surface of the Earth,'' astronomer Samuel Durrance said as he began the space lesson from Columbia. ''I'd like to talk to you today about space, astronomy and the electromagnetic spectrum.

''The universe is playing a kind of symphony in the light that it produces. Up here in space, telescopes can see all the radiation to better understand the universe. In the shuttle, we're above the Earth's atmosphere. This allows the shuttle's telescopes to see the unseen, the invisible radiation.''

The goal of the 38th shuttle mission is to study X-rays and ultraviolet light from deep space targets that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere. Such radiation is invisible to the unaided eye and the astronauts' lesson focused on explaining the value of studying all forms of light.

''Looking at the stars or other objects in just visible light is sort of like listening to the piano with only a few working keys,'' Durrance said. ''You miss most of the song. To understand the stars, we must look at the invisible

as well as the visible radiation.''

Select groups of middle school students - seventh and eighth graders - were gathered at the Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala., and the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md., to observe the lesson firsthand.

Students across the nation were able to pick up the lesson through satellite dishes to watch it live in their classrooms in an unprecedented effort to highlight science education.

The 20-minute lesson, entitled ''Space Classroom: Assignment the Stars,'' was taught by Durrance and astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman, who took their students on a brief tour of the shuttle. Questions from the students later were answered by astronaut Robert Parker and astronomer Ronald Parise.

''If you are interested in this sort of work and would like to learn something about it yourself and perhaps participate in the space age in the future, my recommendation for all of you students listening is to continue to study hard ... read a lot about astronomy and space and maybe you can help answer some of these questions that we've been talking about,'' said Hoffman, wearing a shirt and tie.

''Some of the things we're studying now are things that a generation ago, many people didn't even think about. And I'm sure that some of you will end up studying questions that we don't even think about now.''

In a pre-launch interview, Hoffman said he wanted to ''excite students about careers in science, engineering and mathematics.''

''We hope this will be a demonstration of the tremendous potential we have using shuttle flights to really contact students and get them excited,'' he said.

McAuliffe, who was killed along with six fellow crewmembers in the 1986 Challenger explosion, was selected as NASA's Teacher in Space and was to have taught several lessons while in orbit.

Although her dream was finally realized through the Columbia lessons, NASA officials said the idea for the project dated back many years.

''There have been a lot of people within NASA interested in education for a long time, and it just seems that this was an idea whose time had finally come '' said NASA spokesman Dave Drachlis.

Columbia carried aloft a payload of four sophisticated telescopes to examine space in the ultraviolet and X-ray wavelengths.

''The fundamental thing we'd like to get across to students is that the

universe is sending us information in the broad spectrum of radiation, and we only see the tiniest bit of that when we look at it from the Earth,'' Hoffman said.

''It opens the students' minds up to the idea of the electromagnetic spectrum. That is a great vehicle for talking about radioactivity, microwaves, ultraviolet, X-rays - things which we know about in other parts of our lives, but which you might not think of in terms of astronomy.''

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SANTA MONICA, CA (DEC. 7) UPI - A judge Friday told lawyers in the murder case against actor Marlon Brando's son that he may ask French authorities in Tahiti for help in returning the suspect's half sister to testify at his trial.

Superior Court Judge Joel Rudof also said, however, that he may change his mind after reviewing written arguments he requested from attorneys for Cheyenne Brando who contend she is mentally and physically incompetent to testify.

Both prosecutors and defense attorneys agree that Cheyenne's testimony is central to their cases.

Deputy District Attorney Steven Barshop conceded time is running short. Lawyers planned to ask that Christian Brando's trial begin sometime in January. He said prosecutors are prepared for trial with or without Cheyenne.

Cheyenne Brando, 20, told police her half brother Christian, 32, had premeditated the slaying of her Tahitian lover, Dag Drollet, 26, who was shot in the face at Marlon Brando's mountaintop mansion in Los Angeles on May 16.

Police said Cheyenne told them Christian had talked about killing Drollet and on the night of the slaying he picked up a gun at the home of his girlfriend. She said she heard Christian shoot Drollet, who was the father of the baby Cheyenne gave birth to a few weeks after the incident.

Christian, the screen legend's eldest son, has admitted killing Drollet, but claims it was an accident.

After the killing, Cheyenne flew to Tahiti, where authorities have been investigating her as a possible accomplice in the slaying of Drollet, the son of a powerful Tahitian political figure.

Cheyenne's lawyers told Rudof that Tahitian authorities had on Thursday declared Cheyenne incompetent to handle her own affairs and placed her and her baby under the guardianship of her mother.

Cheyenne twice has attempted suicide since returning to Tahiti and is currently confined to a hospital. Her attorneys contend she is in no condition to leave Tahiti and would be incompetent to testify at Christian's trial.

Richard Hirsch, one of her lawyers, said, ''We feel this is a cruel and inhuman attitude the district attorney has taken'' in pursuing the return of Cheyenne.

Barshop told reporters there is a difference in Tahitian law between civil incompetence and incompetence to testify and he wants psychiatrists to examine Cheyenne.

Rudof, asked by prosecutors to intervene in writing to French authorities in Tahiti for their assistance in returning Cheyenne, tentatively agreed. However he told Cheyenne's attorneys to submit documents detailing why Cheyenne should be allowed to remain in Tahiti.

The judge indicated he would consider the issue further later in the month.

If convicted as charged of first-degree murder, Christian could be sentenced to 25 years to life in prison.

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MEXICO CITY (DEC. 7) UPI - OPEC Secretary General Subroto told a meeting of independent oil producers that a meeting with members of his cartel was possible as an attempt to stabilize world prices, a Mexican official said Friday.

Subroto mentioned the possibile joint meeting to the independent producers Thursday at their conference being held in the resort town of Cancun, 775 miles east of Mexico City, said Avel Magana, a spokesman for Mexico's Energy Ministry.

Subroto said his 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries alone could not stabilize oil prices.

OPEC needs cooperation from the independent oil producers that produce 37 million barrels of oil a day, 14 million barrels a day more than countries belonging to the cartel, Subroto was quoted as saying.

OPEC members such as Saudi Arabia, Iran and the United Arab Emirates, however, have most of the world's excess production capacity and the abilty to raise output to meet rising demand.

Indonesia's Subroto is attending the final day of the two-day, closed-door talks of the independent producers as an observer.

He also met in Mexico City Thursday with Mexican Energy Minister Fernando Hiriart and Francisco Rojas, director general of Mexico's Pemex national oil company.

Subroto said high oil prices that have resulted from Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, could hurt the world economy in the long term, despite short-term benefits to oil-exporting countries, the Energy Ministry said in a statement.

Representatives from the 12 non-OPEC independent producers countries, in their first conference since the invasion threw world oil markets into turmoil, have been meeting in Cancun to discuss ways to stabilize world prices.

They include government officials and oil experts from Angola, China, Colombia Egypt, Malaysia, Mexico, Norway, Oman, the Soviet Union and Yemen. Experts from the states of Texas and Alaska and the Canadian province of Alberta also are attending the meeting.

Mexican Deputy Energy Minister Alberto Escofet told reporters Thursday that the so-called independent producers do not want to form a competing cartel to OPEC. Escofet said the meeting was trying to find ways to stabilize, not fix, world oil prices.

OPEC, which is scheduled to hold its semiannual meeting starting Wednesday in Vienna, has attempted to control world prices in the past by limiting the output of its members.

The Iraqi invasion and the subsequent U.N. embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports, however, have thrown the cartel's quota mechanism and world oil markets into disarry.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - The Galileo probe closed in on Earth Friday, hurtling toward a velocity-boosting flyby Saturday just 600 miles above the Atlantic Ocean, the first of two such encounters needed to put the craft on course for distant Jupiter .

As of noon Friday, the $1.5 billion nuclear-powered probe was 584,539 miles from Earth, on track for a 3:35 p.m. EST Saturday flyby after a similar encounter with Venus on Feb. 10.

As Galileo races by, Earth's gravity will bend the craft's trajectory and boost its speed 11,620 mph - from 67,240 mph to 78,860 mph relative to the sun.The action will fling the spacecraft into a long orbit carrying it out into the asteroid belt before falling back toward a second Earth flyby in two years.

Passing a scant 200 miles above South Africa on Dec. 8, 1992, Galileo's velocity will be boosted 8,280 mph to a blistering 87,190 mph - fast enough to finally begin the long voyage to Jupiter, some 480 million miles from the sun.

Galileo was launched from the space shuttle Atlantis on Oct. 18, 1989, on an unprecedented mission to drop a probe into Jupiter's stormy atmosphere before going into orbit for humanity's first long-term study of the solar system's largest planet.

Sailing through a ballet of ever-changing orbits, Galileo's electronic ears and eyes will study Jupiter's atmosphere, its whirling moons and its space environment in exquisite detail, beaming back close- up photographs 20 to 1,000 times better than the spectacular pictures taken by the Voyager probes.

NASA originally intended to fire Galileo directly to Jupiter using a hydrogen-fueled Centaur rocket, but the program was canceled in the wake of the Challenger disaster, forcing mission planners to rely instead on a less-powerful solid-fuel ''inertial upper stage'' booster.

The IUS did not have enough power to boost Galileo directly to its target, so the probe was launched to Venus for the first of three velocity-boosting flybys.

On Feb. 10, Galileo used the gravity of Venus to increase its speed from 83,750 mph relative to the sun to 88,740 mph. The maneuver put Galileo into a new orbit, one carrying it back to Earth for the first of its two flybys.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - Instead of slicing open 5-year-old plastic ration pouches, the troops on patrol at the front lines in Saudi Arabia soon will be able to eat meals as fresh as packaged preservative-laced food can be.

The Pentagon has placed a $260 million order for nearly 190,000,000 entree side dish packs for its basic battlefield ration in a move to both preserve and build up dwindling supplies of the food soldiers carry into battle.

Just in case the intelligence analysts in Baghdad are counting, that's about a six-month supply of food for a force of 400,000 eating three meals a day.

The contracts were let this week to seven different food suppliers throughout the country and cover everything from spaghetti with meat sauce to ham slices, chicken ala king, omelets with ham and chicken stew and beef stew.

The troops at the front have been using up the meals at the rate of about 1 million a month, and Lorraine Netzko, a spokeswoman for the Defense Personnel

Support Center in Philadelphia, which issued the contracts, said officials decided that although they had stockpiles for the event of war and had no supply concerns for a year, they should start building up the stockpiles again.

In addition to having businesses around the country cranking out more of what are known as ''meals, ready to eat'' or MRE in the military shorthand, food service officials also are assembling packages of food off the supermarket shelves with such items as cups of noodles that reconstitute with hot water, meats, packs of pudding and the like. Those fresher meals are know as MORE meals, for ''meal, operational ready to eat.''

With the soldiers eating the MORE meals the stockpiles of battlefield rations do not fall as quickly, and with the contracts for additional fresh supplies of the MREs, food service officials can both send the newest rations to the front and start rebuilding the stockpile.

Although two varieties contain pork, a food prohibited under Islamic dietary law, the Saudi government looks the other way when ships unload huge pallets of the cartons of MREs, each with 12 different main courses per carton.

''We've got enough (MREs) to take us through December (1991) and beyond, but the idea is to build back up the reserves, even if everything ended tomorrow '' said Netzko.

Once the new meals start coming out some will go into the stockpile and others will be sent to the front, Netzko said.

Until now, the Defense Logistics Agency has been shipping out meals assembled in 1987, 1988 and 1989. Some troops took with them meals put together in 1984 and 1985. The newer meals have more variety and taste better, but the older meals are servicable.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - One of three known autographs of baseball player ''Shoeless'' Joe Jackson has been sold for $23,100, the highest price ever paid at auction for a 19th or 20th century autograph, it was reported Friday.

The autograph was purchased Wednesday at a private auction at the Sheraton City Squire hotel by Joshua Evans, owner of Lelands, a sports memorabilia auction house. Evans said he made the purchase with a potential customer in mind.

''We paid more than it would cost to buy a complete set of every presidential signature from Washington to Bush combined,'' Evans said. ''But we were quite confident in buying this because of the historical significance of the autograph and the nation's fascination with Shoeless Joe.''

Jackson was banned from baseball for life in 1919 after he was charged with conspiring with eight other Chicago White Sox players, renamed the ''Black Sox '' to throw the World Series to Cincinnati, although scholars believe Jackson had nothing to do with the scandal.

His character was recently depicted in two films, ''Eight Men Out'' and ''Field of Dreams.''

Evans explained that Jackson was illiterate and could write his name only by copying someone else's writing of it.

The autograph he purchased is on a piece of paper cut from a legal document signed in April, 1936, originally obtained from a member of the Jackson family. The other two known signatures remain in the possession of the family, he said.

The world record for any signature is $56,000 for an autograph of Button Gwinnett, a signer of the Declaration of Independence who died in a duel in 1777, less than a year after the signing.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 7) UPI - Dwight Evans, the star outfielder who has spent his 19-year career with the Boston Red Sox, signed a 1-year contract with the Baltimore Orioles.

The deal, completed Thursday night, could be worth up to $1.3 million, depending on how many games Evans plays.

Evans, 39, suffered from a bad back last year and was used mostly as a designated hitter. The Orioles sought assurances on his health before signing him.

Evans hit .306 in the last six weeks of last season, helping Boston win the American League East. He finished the season hitting .249 with 13 homers and 63 RBI. He has won eight Gold Gloves and still has one of the best arms in baseball.

''In the next season, I feel like I've got to be an all-round player, and that means playing in the outfield,'' Evans said.

''This is a step in the right direction,'' said Orioles Manager Frank Robinson. ''We've played the youngsters the past couple of years. We made a big step forward and then fell back. We just feel like we can use the experience of a player of Dwight's caliber. We feel he can give us some production and some leadership.''

Evans, who began his career with the Red Sox in 1972, has a .272 lifetime batting average, 379 home runs and 1,346 runs batted in. His best season was in 1987 when he batted .305, hit 34 home runs and drove in 123 runs.

Said General Manager Roland Hemond: ''To have someone of his stature join our club is a big plus. He's such a fine all-round player, he's a future Hall of Famer.''

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MIAMI (DEC. 7) UPI - The failure of the current round of world trade talks would make it more difficult for the Bush administration to pursue several important trade initiatives in Latin America, a top U.S. trade official said Friday.

Myles Frechette, an assistant U.S. trade representative for Latin America and the Caribbean, said the collapse of the 4-year-old talks would strengthen the hand of those who favor protectionist trade policies.

The administration's Enterprise for the Americas initiative, which President Bush has promoted during a trip to South America this week, could suffer as a result, he said.

Frechette said Bush conceived of the initiative as a complement to the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

As a result, the outcome of those talks ''will have a major impact on how far and how fast we can push ahead,'' he said.

Stalled talks could also affect the administration's ability to conclude a free trade agreement with Mexico, he said.

The trade talks adjourned Friday in Brussels, Belgium, after a frustrating week of clashes between the United States and the European Community over farm subsidies.

Officials said the Uruguay Round will resume sometime next year in Geneva.

''We are concerned that, like a bicycle, if the world trading system does not continue to move forward, it will fall sideways,'' Frechette told a gathering at the 14th annual Miami Conference on the Caribbean.

''Without the commitment of governments to the multilateral system, protectionist and unilateral policies will be more appealing,'' he said.

Bush's enterprise initiative and the possibility of a free trade pact between

the United States and Mexico have dominated discussions during the four-day Miami conference.

Many participants from smaller countries in Central America and the Caribbean fear the loss of their preferential trading status under current U.S. law.

Some have suggested that Mexico and the United States instead should pursue a multilateral pact, but Frechette said the administration is cool to the idea.

Other countries or trading blocks in the hemisphere that are interested in freer trade with the United States should seek bilateral agreements, he said.

Six countries, including Costa Rica and Honduras, have signed trade and investment framework agreements with the United States, in what is seen as the first step in that process, Frechette said.

At the same time, Frechette said, the administration intends to promote integration among nations and trading blocks, to avoid a trading system based on a web of bilateral agreements tying each country to the United States.

Bush's intiative also drew a strong endorsement Friday from Enrique Iglesias, the president of the Inter-American Development Bank.

''This is perhaps the most important challenge ever put to Latin America and the Caribbean in the history of our relations,'' Iglesias said. ''It is the first time we have received an invitation to talk collectively.''

However, both Iglesias and Frechette warned developing countries in the region that they must undertake economic reforms and improve their national investment climates if they want to take advantage of the program.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 7) UPI - Wheat futures rallied on commercial buying but other grain and soybean futures were lower at the close Friday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Most of the demand for wheat was based on the overnight sale of 200, 000 tons to Egypt. However, gains were limited by the weakness on the rest of the floor.

Both corn and soybeans were pressured by the lack of near-term export business but had underlying support from fairly good sales during the past week.

Heavy deliveries of December corn also weighed on corn values.

Prices in the soybean complex fell to session lows about midday, but the market recovered some of its losses late in the day.

Country movement of corn and soybeans was light during the session.

Interior and Gulf basis levels were mostly lower.

At the close, corn was up 1/4s to off 1 1/4, soybeans down 1 1/2 to 4, wheat up 2 1/4 to 6 and oats off 1/2 to 1 1/2.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 7) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Friday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.46 1/2	2.53	2.46 1/2	2.53	2.47
Mar	2.61	2.66 1/2	2.61	2.66 1/4	2.62 1/2
May	2.69 1/2	2.74 1/4	2.69 1/2	2.73 3/4	2.70 1/2
Jly	2.75	2.78 1/2	2.74 1/2	2.78 1/2	2.75 1/4
Sep	2.80	2.83 3/4	2.80	2.83 3/4	2.81
Dec	2.93	2.94 3/4	2.93	2.94 3/4	2.92 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.26	2.26 1/4	2.24 3/4	2.26	2.25 3/4
Mar	2.36 1/4	2.37 1/4	2.35 1/2	2.37	2.37 1/4
May	2.43 3/4	2.44 1/2	2.43	2.44 1/2	2.44 3/4
Jly	2.50 1/2	2.50 3/4	2.49 1/4	2.50 1/2	2.51
Sep	2.51	2.51 1/4	2.49 1/4	2.50 1/4	2.50 3/4
Dec	2.49 1/2	2.50 1/2	2.48 3/4	2.49 1/2	2.50 3/4
Mar	2.55 3/4	2.57	2.55 3/4	2.56 1/4	2.57 1/2
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.10 3/4	1.11	1.09 1/4	1.10 1/4	1.11 3/4
Mar	1.20 3/4	1.21	1.19 1/2	1.20 3/4	1.21 1/4
May	1.26 1/4	1.26 1/2	1.25 1/4	1.26 1/4	1.26 3/4
Jly	1.32	1.32	1.31	1.31 3/4	1.32 1/2
Sep	1.36 1/2	1.36 1/2	1.36 1/2	1.36 1/2	1.37 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Jan	5.96	5.97	5.89	5.95	5.97 1/4
Mar	6.10	6.12	6.04	6.10	6.12 1/4
May	6.23 1/2	6.25 1/2	6.18	6.23 3/4	6.26 1/4
Jly	6.36	6.37 1/2	6.29	6.35 1/2	6.37
Aug	6.37	6.39	6.31 3/4	6.37 1/4	6.39 3/4
Sep	6.27 1/2	6.27 1/2	6.21 1/2	6.26 3/4	6.29 1/4
Nov	6.25 1/2	6.26	6.19	6.24 1/4	6.26 3/4

Jan	6.37	6.37	6.31 1/2	6.35 1/4	6.39 1/4
Mar	6.45	6.46 1/2	6.45	6.46 1/2	6.50

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	21.50	21.53	21.24	21.53	21.60
Jan	21.60	21.76	21.42	21.73	21.69
Mar	21.95	22.10	21.75	22.10	22.03
May	22.20	22.35	22.10	22.32	22.32
Jul	22.40	22.55	22.30	22.55	22.52
Aug	22.45	22.47	22.30	22.42	22.40
Sep	22.40	22.45	22.28	22.39	22.50
Oct	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.40
Dec	22.25	22.30	22.15	22.20	22.40
Jan	....	....	....	22.15	22.30

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	175.50	175.80	172.20	174.60	176.00
Jan	177.50	178.00	174.00	176.60	178.10
Mar	182.00	183.00	178.50	181.60	182.70
May	185.00	186.30	182.60	184.70	185.80
Jul	188.10	189.00	185.60	188.10	188.30
Aug	190.00	190.00	187.00	188.10	189.00
Sep	188.00	188.50	186.50	187.00	187.50
Oct	186.00	187.00	185.80	185.80	185.60
Dec	188.40	188.40	186.00	188.10	188.40
Jan	....	....	....	187.00	187.50

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Gold futures closed Friday 130 to 230 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	372.00	373.40	369.50	370.30	371.70
Jan	371.00	....	....	371.00	372.30
Feb	373.70	375.00	370.80	372.10	373.20
Apr	376.50	377.90	374.00	374.90	376.20
Jun	379.70	380.50	378.00	378.00	379.40
Aug	382.00	382.00	380.90	380.90	382.50
Oct	384.00	....	....	384.00	385.70
Dec	388.70	388.70	387.10	387.10	388.90
Feb	391.90	391.90	390.30	390.30	392.20
Apr	393.40	....	....	393.40	395.40
Jun	396.70	....	....	396.70	398.80
Aug	400.10	....	....	400.10	402.40

Open interest: 112,536 up 993.

Estimated sales: 30,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 1 to 6 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.58	9.68	9.52	9.60	9.54
May	9.70	9.75	9.62	9.68	9.67
Jly	9.76	9.78	9.65	9.74	9.70
Oct	9.75	9.77	9.65	9.74	9.71
Mar	9.80	....	....	9.84	9.78

Estimated sales: 11,357 contracts

Open interest: 112,071 up 2,780

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.67

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday 1 point higher to 15 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	22.54	22.65	22.54	22.62	22.61
Mar	22.61	22.65	22.61	22.65	22.65
May	22.79	22.80	22.77	22.77	22.78
Jly	22.84	22.84	22.82	22.83	22.84
Sep	22.81	22.81	22.75	22.79	22.81
Nov	22.82	22.82	22.80	22.81	22.82
Jan	....	....	....	22.80	22.95

Estimated sales: 617 contracts

Open interest: 12,209 off 273

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix	370.00 off 7.50
Morning fixing	371.10 up 1.10
Afternoon fixing	370.80 up 0.80
Close	371.00 up 1.00
Paris	372.30 off 0.02
Zurich	371.50 up 3.00
Hong Kong	371.05 off 3.00

New York

Comex spot close	370.30 off 1.40
Republic cash	369.75 off 1.00
Handy and Harman	370.80 up 0.80

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 372.08 up 0.80 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 390.68 up 0.84 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.055 off 0.066
Republic cash	4.075 off 0.07

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.10 per fine ounce off 0.025

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.09 off 0.07 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.376 off 0. 076

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 423.00 off 3.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 523.00 off 3.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 93.50 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 108.50 off 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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SOFIA, Bulgaria (DEC. 7) UPI - Parliament approved the nomination Friday of the chairman of the Sofia Municipal Court as prime minister-designate, filling the void left by the collapse of Bulgaria's Socialist-led government.

Judge Dimitar Popov was nominated by President Zhelyu Zhelev earlier in the day and a week after Socialist Prime Minister Andrei Loukanov stepped down under pressure.

Popov is expected to present his new Cabinet to parliament, the Grand National Assembly, next Wednesday.

Loukanov's Nov. 30 resignation followed strikes and four days of street demonstrations by independent trade unions and members of the opposition Union of Democratic Forces protesting price hikes and what they regard as the slow pace of democratic and free-market reform.

''We accepted his candidacy because we agreed the prime minister must be neutral and he is such a person,'' Zhelev told Parliament, adding Popov is to

lead a government of ''national hope.''

Feeble applause greeted the nomination of the little-known jurist, who was vice-chairman of the Central Election Committee during the country's democratic parliamentary elections last June.

The majority socialists - formerly the communists - and the opposition UDF had been locked in discussion for a week on choosing a replacement for Loukanov.

Alexander Jordanov, a spokesman for UDF, said Friday he was unhappy with the announcement.

''I do not think Popov is the right man for the job. We firmly believe he cannot be neutral. If he is prime minister the next government will be weak. Only those who wish to slow down the democratic process have an interest in a weak government,'' Jordanov said.

In his speech to Parliament, Zhelev also said local elections would be held by the end of February and parliamentary elections by the end of May.

He said Pparliament would be dissolved by the end of March but that before then it would vote on a new constitution and eight ''vitally important laws'' on economic and government reforms.

These include laws on free-market economic reforms, including privatizing state-owned businesses and land, a law on banking, new commercial and tax codes and laws on social guarantees, as well as an election law and laws on local government and administrative reform.

Zhelev called on Parliament to make ''a maximum effort to work more efficiently,'' and praised Loukanov for his efforts, but said his party had been doomed to retire.

''I would like to say Andrei Loukanov did not step down because of political incompetence,'' Popov told Parliament. ''He is the most competent man in his party. He stepped down not for lack of merit but because he led a government of a party that was doomed to part with power.''

Popov now faces a difficult job, with Bulgaria locked in a downward economic spiral. Food, gas and electricity are rationed. No meat is available in Sofia, farmers cannot get feed for their livestock and hospitals are critically short of vital medicine, including anesthetics and antibiotics.

The Soviet Union has cut back deliveries of crude oil and other essential raw materials, and the country has stopped payment on its $10. 2 billion foreign debt, effectively halting imports.

The gray-haired Popov, 63, speaking without notes, said he could only

implement necessary reforms if he ''received wide support from all forces in the political spectrum and only if goodwill prevails.''

He pledged to restore to Bulgarian government ''the prestige without which no society can function, and to quickly implement the necessary reforms for transition to democracy.''

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CAIRO, Egypt (DEC. 7) UPI - President Hosni Mubarak's ruling National Democratic Party won the lion's share of votes in runoff elections for the country's 444-seat Parliament, with independents, including Moslem fundamentalists, a distant second, press reports said Friday.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency said the Western-oriented NDP clinched 348 seats or 79.6 percent of the vote, while independents took 19 percent or 83 seats.

Most of the independents who won were right-wing former members of the NDP and some were Islamic fundamentalists.

The Marxist-oriented National Progressive Unionist Rally clinched 1.4 percent of the vote or six seats, including one for party leader Khaled Mohieddin.

Arab radio stations said the vote was an endorsement of Mubarak's handling of the Persian Gulf crisis although the large number of independents elected was a reminder that Egypt's economy still suffers from over-centralization, inflation and unemployment.

Some independents called on Mubarak to come off the fence between leftist Nasserites and free marketeers in his own party and take the risk of lifting subsidies on basic food items and promoting more private enterprise.

Late Egyptian President Anwar Saddat tried to import more consumer goods after the years of leftist rule by Gamal Abdel Nasser but Mubarak has cautiously trodden the more difficult path of trying to reform Egyptian industry.

State-run Egyptian enterprises are labor-intensive because of the country's large population and government pledges to provide jobs for all university graduates.

MENA quoted the Interior Ministry as saying there would further runoff elections for seven parliamentary seats in Cairo and the Nile area because no candidate got a majority.

Thursday's runoff elections were marred by violence and at least nine people were killed and hundreds injured in clashes with security forces.

There were also allegations of vote-rigging from major opposition parties that boycotted the election.

Mubarak called the elections in October after the country's Supreme Court ruled the last elections, in 1987, were invalid because too many candidates had been elected on a party ticket.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 7) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.43-2.46 1/4 up 6 to off 3 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.90-5. 93 off 2 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.27-2.30 off 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.37 1/2-2.39 1/2 up 1/4 to off 1/4.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $33 to $36 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.05 cent to 1.50 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.15 to 3.10 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.14 cent to 1.16 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.10 to $2.30 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $7.90 to $8.50 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 4.85 cents to 5.00 cents a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 6.2 to 8.6 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.001 to 0.006 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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A two-alarm fire forced partial evacuation of the Mirage Hotel-casino on the Las Vegas Strip last night. Guests were evacuated from 200 rooms on the second and third floors of the 30-story west tower. There were NO injuries. Automatic sprinklers put out the fire which started in a room filled with electrical equiment. Gambling on the casino floor was NOT interrupted.

Burma's duly elected legislature woN'T be able to do the job it was elected to do. The ruling military junta has ordered the arrest of 49 politicians on charges they tried to form an interim government for the Southeast Asian nation. Burma's military allowed the elections to take place in May. Then it refused to let the legislature meet after the opposition National League for Democracy won 392 of the 485 seats.

Food stored in Berlin to feed residents in case of another Berlin blockade is on its way to the Soviet Union. Soviet troops started carrying off the emergency food today. The first shipment included 100 tons of powdered milk. It has been stored in case the Soviet Union repeated the blockade of 1948 and 1949. Now ironically it will feed Soviet citizens suffering because of the economic crisis.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - Consumer installment credit rose by $1.46 billion in October after gaining $2.8 billion the month before, the Federal Reserve said Friday.

Growth in revolving credit slowed in October, outstanding automobile loans declined as did loans for mobile homes, the Fed said.

All other forms of outstanding consumer loans increased at about the same rate in October as in the previous month.

At the end of October, outstanding consumer credit totaled $736.6 billion, with automobile loans accounting for $284.4 billion; credit cards and other revolving credit, $218.3 billion; mobile home loans, $22.4 billion and all other forms of credit, $211.3 billion, the Fed said.

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UNITED NATIONS (DEC. 7) UPI - A top advisor to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev said Friday the Persian Gulf crisis could have escalated into another Cuban missile crisis if the Cold War had not ended.

Georgi Arbatov said the crisis points out the benefits of East-West cooperation and the need for a greater role for the United Nations in resolving international problems.

''One has to think how happy we are that this did not happen during the Cold War because it could have had very dangerous consequences,'' said Arbatov, chief advisor to Gorbachev on North American affairs.

''It could have been a situation like the Cuban missile crisis, maybe perhaps without such a happy outcome,'' he said.

Arbatov said the United Nations was ''lucky to survive'' the Cold War, during which every crisis became a U.S.-Soviet challenge. One of the grave results, he said, was the militarization of the superpowers and a ''poor man's arms race'' in the Third World.

''It was a situation in which every enemy of an enemy became a friend,'' Arbatov said. ''This situation I hope has passed away forever. ''

With declining East-West tensions, Arbatov said he expects most nations, including the United States, to ''shed imperialism. We've had enough of all of it,'' he said.

Instead, he said, the United Nations needs to be activated and strengthened as countries turn inward to face long-neglected domestic problems.

''In every country - rich and poor, big and small - the internal problems are No.1 on the list of priorities,'' Arbatov said.

Arbatov, who has advised Gorbachev at each U.S.-Soviet summit, said Kremlin leaders went through a ''painful proces'' recognizing that national security cannot be achieved without the cooperation of the other superpower.

And, he said, the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan taught the leadership an important lesson.

''It is much easier to make decisions to send your troops somewhere than to bring them home,'' Arbatov said. ''And it involves much more courage from the statesmen.''

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(DEC. 7) UPI - Glum retailers, fearing Santa Claus will pass them by, slashed prices to post-Christmas clearance levels Friday, hoping to entice reluctant customers and prevent Christmas spirits from evaporating.

Sears Roebuck & Co., the nation's largest retailer, and both Toys ''R'' Us and Child World, the two largest toy-store chains, announced massive discounting programs, reducing prices as much as 75 percent to get the Christmas shopping season out of the doldrums.

Retailers normally chalk up 20 percent of their annual sales during the Christmas season, but sales are lagging badly this year.

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''This is the year Santa Claus came early,'' said Child World President Peter Hayes.

The Avon, Mass.-based retailer said it will cut prices by up to Nintendo software originally sold at $49.99 will be priced at $14.90 to $24.90. Atari software, previously $24.99, will be priced at $4.90. And Sega Master System games previously $39.99 will be $9.90.

Other cuts include 30 percent off selected action figures and accessories,

including Ghostbusters, Dick Tracy and Beetlejuice; 50 percent off on Police Adademy and Mega Force games and one-third off basic dolls.

Selected bicycles will be marked down 30 percent.

''There's $525 million worth of merchandise in the Child World system; they're taking about $105 million off of that so ... it'll (average) 20 percent,'' said Gary Holmes, a New York spokesman for Child World.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1017.2
Thursday	1014.5
Week ago	1011.3
Month ago	1027.6
Year ago	1059.0
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1007.8

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MOSCOW (DEC. 7) UPI - Church bells rang throughout Armenia at 11:41 a.m. Friday to mark the moment two years ago when a massive earthquake leveled towns and villages and killed nearly 25,000 people.

Reconstruction efforts financed partly from the outpouring of international emergency aid continued to slowly rebuild the devastated area of the southern Soviet republic, where thousands are still homeless.

Residents observed a day of mourning Friday with church services, visits to graves and the unveiling of monuments to those who died in the Dec. 7, 1988, quake that measured 7 on the Richter scale.

More than $500 million in foreign aid poured into the Soviet Union after the quake that destroyed the towns of Spitak, Leninakan, Kumairi, Stepanavan and Nalband.

In much of the area, however, many residents are still living in shantytowns and the rebuilding's slow pace has drawn sharp criticism.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 7) UPI - A judge issued an arrest warrant Friday for actor

Corey Feldman upon learning he had been arrested hours earlier for driving without a license and had been suspended from a live-in drug program, prosecutors said.

Arrangments were being made for Feldman, 19, to surrender next week on the no-bail warrant, the District Attorney's Office said.

Deputy District Attorney Peter Cagney said Superior Court Judge Gordon Ringer issued the warrant upon being informed Feldman was arrested Thursday night and that he had been suspended for rules violations from the live-in drug program he entered in October.

Sgt. Pat Findlay said police stopped Feldman in his 1989 BMW in Hollywood at 10:50 p.m. Thursday. Feldman did not show his drivers license when he was asked for it and police discovered it had been suspended, Findlay said.

Feldman, whose voice is heard in the film ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles,'' and who appeared in ''Stand by Me,'' ''Goonies'' and ''Lost Boys,'' was released earlier Friday after posting a bond of $528.

Feldman was arrested Sept. 20 for outstanding traffic warrants and charged with heroin possession when packets of the drug were discovered in his socks during a booking search.

At the time, Feldman had just finished a drug rehabilitation program after he was charged in March with possessing 25 balloons of heroin and cocaine. That arrest also came after he was stopped for a traffic violation.

Both drug cases have been combined. Ringer gave Feldman permission to enter the drug program and stay out of jail while the cases were pending, as long as he complied with the program's rules, Cagney said.

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#90341u1365 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - The dollar took a dive again in New York trading Friday on a sharp rise in U.S. unemployment and Federal Reserve moves to lower short-term interest rates, but market caution prevented a free fall.

The Labor Department said the national jobless rate vaulted to 5.9 percent in November from 5.7 percent in October, as 265,000 jobs were pared from the nation's payrolls - the worst employment drop since 1982.

Later, the Fed bought $1.5 billion in government securities, injecting money into the bank reserve system so as to guide the closely watched Fed funds rate on short-term interbank loans to 7.25 percent from 7.5 percent.

Currency traders said the jobs data was worse than expected, and the Fed move

came sooner than most market players were expecting. Both developments were seen as highly negative for the already weak dollar.

''Barring any (central bank) intervention I would expect the dollar to go even lower than this,'' said senior trader William English of the Banca Nazionale dell'Agricoltura in New York.

In late New York dealings, the dollar was at 1.4715 German marks, down from 1.4875 marks Thursday, and at 130.65 Japanese yen, off from 132.20. That mark price was close to the record low of 1.4705 marks set Nov. 16.

The British pound moved up to $1.9540 from $1.9400.

Other New York dollar rates: $1.2535 Swiss francs, off from 1.2716; 4.9990 French francs, down from 5.0500; and 1,110.75 Italian lire, off from 1,121.75.

English noted, though, that the dollar's drop, while large, was not as sharp as it might have been. He said players moved carefully in the thin, volatile year-end market and did not sell dollars aggressively.

''Actually there was a very cautious response to the (jobs) number,'' confirmed Shearson Lehman Brothers analyst Lisa Finstrom. She cited rumors that the Fed was checking dealer prices - sometimes a veiled intervention threat.

The Mideast crisis still loomed, despite peace overtures. BNA's English cited ''fear of events in the Gulf flaring up, adding, ''We really don't know if the talks (set for mid-month) will produce ''for mid-m

In Europe, the dollar closed lower amid reduced Persian Gulf tensions and the largest monthly rise in U.S. unemployment since 1982, which boded continuing declines in U.S. short-term interest rates.

With a Mideast war less likely, investors were paying more attention to signs the U.S. economy is in a steep recessionary decline. ''The dollar looks to me (to be) fundamentally soft,'' declared one money trader.

In Frankfurt, the dollar slipped to 1.4830 German marks vs. 1.4875 Thursday. In Zurich, it fell to 1.2640 Swiss francs from 1.2705.

In London, Britain's pound firmed to $1.9510 from $1.9390.

The dollar also fell in in Paris, Brussels and Milan, to 5.0375 French francs vs. 5.0540, 30.61 Belgian francs vs. 30.96 and 1,119 Italian lire vs 1,125.50.

In Tokyo earlier, the dollar sank against the yen on news Iraq would let the 6,000 foreign hostages go home, closing at 132.17 yen vs. 134. 05.

Iraq's announcement boosted market expectations of a peaceful resolution to the Gulf crisis, prompting sales of the dollar, dealers said.

In Zurich, gold closed higher at $371.50 an ounce from $368.50, and also was higher in London at $371 an ounce from $370.

Silver in Zurich closed unchanged at $4.15 an ounce. In London, silver closed higher at $4.15 an ounce from $4.12.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $369.75 an ounce, off from $370.75 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled gold contracts at $370.30 an ounce, down from $371.70.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.075 an ounce, off from $4.145. Comex silver ended dealings at $4.055 an ounce, a decline from $4.121.

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The Labor Department reports an increase in unemployment in November. The unemployment rate was five-point-nine percent... the biggest in more than two years. UNemployment increased two tenths of a percent from October for the second consecutive large monthly increase. Canada's unemployment rate also rose. Statistics Canada reports it high nine- point-one percent.

Ground controllers are operating the telescopes aboard the shuttle Columbia by remote control. The astronauts successfully got emergency procedures to work as they bypassed two on-board computer systems. They had overheated and quit working, leaving the astronauts with NO way to aim the 150-Million dollars worth of telescopes aboard Columbia . A fourth telescope has been working as advertised since the mission began over the weekend.

A two-alarm fire forced partial evacuation of the Mirage Hotel-casino on the Las Vegas Strip last night. Guests were evacuated from 200 rooms on the second and third floors of the 30-story west tower. There were NO injuries. Automatic sprinklers put out the fire which started in a room filled with electrical equiment. Gambling on the casino floor was NOT interrupted.

Burma's duly elected legislature woN'T be able to do the job it was elected to do. The ruling military junta has ordered the arrest of 49 politicians on

charges they tried to form an interim government for the Southeast Asian nation. Burma's military allowed the elections to take place in May. Then it refused to let the legislature meet after the opposition National League for Democracy won 392 of the 485 seats.

Food stored in Berlin to feed residents in case of another Berlin blockade is on its way to the Soviet Union. Soviet troops started carrying off the emergency food today. The first shipment included 100 tons of powdered milk. It has been stored in case the Soviet Union repeated the blockade of 1948 and 1949. Now ironically it will feed Soviet citizens suffering because of the economic crisis.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	67 1-2	up 1-8
AT&T Company	29 7-8	off 1-4
BCE Inc	34 3-4	up 1-4
Bell Atlantic	55 3-8	off 1-4
BellSouth Corp	54 3-4	up 3-8
Exxon Corp	49 3-8	off 1-4
Ford Motor Co	27 1-2	off 1-8
Genl Electric	57 5-8	up 1-8
General Motors	36 1-2	off 5-8
GTE Corp	28 5-8	up 3-8
IBM Corp	112 1-8	up 5-8
Mobil Oil Corp	57 1-4	up 3-4
Nynex Corp	71 1-2	off 1-4
Pac Gas & Elec	24 7-8	off 1-2
Pacific Telesis	45 3-8	up 1-8
Phila Electric	17 1-8	off 1-4
Sears Roebuck	26 1-8	off 1-2
Southern Co	26 3-4	off 3-8
Sthwestern Bell	56 3-8	up 1-8
US West Inc	37 3-8	off 1-8

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.93

60 to 89 days 7.58

90 to 119 days 7.47

120 to 149 days 7.40

150 to 179 days 7.33

180 to 270 days 7.20

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.70 - 7.40

Issuers 30 days 7.65

Issuers 90 days 7.40

Issuers 270 days 7.00

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.90

60 to 89 days 7.80

90 to 119 days 7.65

120 to 149 days 7.65

150 to 179 days 7.65

180 days 7.64

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 1-16 - 7 3-16

1 month 8 1-16 - 7 3-16

3 month 7.75 - 7.875

6 month 7 9-16 - 7 11-16

Year 8 11-16 - 8 13-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 6.90 - 6.88

6 months 6.77 - 6.75

Year 6.69 - 6.67

Federal Funds: High 7 3/8, Low 7 1-16, Close 7 1-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.401 off 0.158.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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(DEC. 7) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Distribution				
United Kingdom Fund	..	.57	1-15	12-31
Initial				
Intrawest Developmt	..	1-15	1-2	
Increased				
Calif Jockey Club	S	.40	12-27	12-17
Ecolab Inc	Q	.17 1/2	1-15	12-18
Pulaski Furniture	Q	.13	1-2	12-18
Year-End				
Residential Mtge Inv	..	.35	12-28	12-17
Usual				
ACC Corp	Q	.04	2-8	1-4

CRI Insured Mtge Asso	Q	.27	12-31	12-18
CRI Liquidating REIT	..	.30	12-31	12-18
Communications Sys	..	.06	1-2	12-21
Douglas & Lomason Co	..	.10	12-28	12-17
Freddie Mac	Q	.40	12-31	12-17
Illinois Tool Work	Q	.18	3-1	2-4
Lomas Mtge Scrts Fd	M	.105	12-27	12-17
Putnam Convtble I-GT	Q	.24	1-15	12-31
Putnam Diversified IT	M	.112	12-20	12-10
Putnam Diversified PIT	..	.3350	1-2	12-20
Putnam Dividend IF	..	.109	1-2	12-20
Putnam Health ST	A	.85	12-20	12-10
Putnam Hi Inc C&BF	..	.076	1-2	12-20
Putnam Hi Yld Mcpl Tr	..	.0675	1-2	12-20
Putnam Intermed GIT	..	.080	1-2	12-20
Putnam Investors Fund	Q	.47	12-20	12-10
Putnam Inv Grade MT	..	.074	1-2	12-20
Putnam Managed MIT	..	.0635	1-2	12-20
Putnam Master IIT	..	.0725	1-2	12-20
Putnam Master Inc Tr	..	.0775	1-2	12-20
Putnam OTC EGF	A	.295	12-20	12-10
Putnam Premier IT	..	.0775	1-2	12-20
Tranzonic Cos	Q	.04	1-18	12-27
Tranzonic Cos cl-B	Q	.07	1-18	12-27
US Healthcare Inc	Q	.09	12-26	12-13
US Healthcare Inc B	Q	.081	12-26	12-13
Walbro Corp	Q	.10	1-31	12-28

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2590.10	off	12.38	909.67	off	4.12	210.07	off	1.20
Thursday	2602.48	off	7.92	913.79	up	10.12	211. 27	off	1.44
Week ago	2559.65	up	40.84	853.00	up	24.97	212. 09	up	3.84
Month ago	2488.61	up	44.80	833.38	up	5.73	210. 32	up	1.19
Year ago	2731.44	up	10.66	1209.46	off	1.60	228. 75	up	1.20
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90341u1406 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 7) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 179.07 off 0.64
ASE Market Value Index 306.45 up 0.10
Dow-Jones Industrial 2590.10 off 12.38

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#90341u1408 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 306.47, low 305.37, close 306.45, up 0.10.

There was no change in the average share price.

Volume 10,470,000 shares, compared with 17, 180,000 Thursday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	6
New Lows	34
Advances	259
Declines	294
Unchanged	278
Total Issues	831

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#90341u1417 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks -	10,470,000 shares
1990 to date -	3,160,945,415
Bonds -	$4,680,000
1990 to date -	$705,808,000

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#90341u1418 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks -	164,950,000 shares
1990 to date -	37,545,081,681
Warrants -	1,359,500
1990 to date -	246,032,100

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#90341u1422 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.

20 Bonds	90.92	up 0.05
10 Public Utils	92.83	up 0.05
10 Industrials	89.01	up 0.05

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#90341u1424 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Friday -	$48,720,000
1990 to date -	$10,275,434,000

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#90341u1425 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - The IRS said Friday soldiers in Operation Desert Shield and those around the world will have until June 15 to file and pay their taxes, a full two months more than those within the United States.

Also Friday, Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas said that when the new Congress convenes next month he will introduce legislation waiving interest penalties for servicemen in the Persian Gulf who file their taxes after April 15.

An IRS spokesman said that although the tax collecting agency had authority to provide extra time for servicemen oveaseas to file their returns and could even extend the time further if necessary, it did not have the legal authority to waive the interest penalties so Dole's legislation would be required to provide a further benefit for service personnel.

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#90341u1431 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2599.01	2618.07	2571.78	2590.10	off 12. 38
20 Trans	913.04	918.67	900.49	909.67	off 4.12
15 Utils	211.14	211.90	208.50	210.07	off 1.20
65 Stock	915.62	921.44	904.92	912.15	off 4.45

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	19,548,000	35,200,700
Trans	3,432,700	7,571,300
Utils	4,638,200	5,383,800
65 Stock	27,618,900	48,155,800

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#90341u1439 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (DEC. 7) UPI - New England Patriots wide receiver Irving Fryar was cleared by a grand jury Friday of a weapons charge stemming from a nightclub melee in October and a bouncer at the club was cleared of assaulting Fryar's teammate, Hart Lee Dykes.

The bouncer was convicted Thursday, however, of violating his probation by inciting the brawl. He was sentenced to 18 months in prison, the attorney general's office said.

The Providence County grand jury returned ''no true bill'' of indictment in the cases of Fryar, a 28-year-old veteran whose career has been marred by off-field trouble, and the bouncer, 6-foot-7-inch, 300- pound William Earley.

Police took Fryar into custody the early morning of Oct. 10 after a brawl outside the Club Shalimar on South Main Street in Providence, in which Dykes suffered a serious eye injury.

Later in the day, authorities charged Fryar with illegally possessing a 9mm semiautomatic Smith & Wesson handgun.

Witnesses at the scene told police that Fryar brandished the gun during the fight, but the wide receiver said he was only trying to help Dykes when he saw him on the ground and bleeding.

Fryar had a Massachusetts license for the gun, but police said that did not entitle him to use it in Rhode Island.

In a prepared statement, the attorney general's office said it is not a violation of Rhode Island law for someone with a gun licensed in another state to ''temporarily transport'' the weapon through Rhode Island.

''After hearing testimony concerning the facts of the disturbance at (the club), the grand jury voted a no true bill on a charge of carrying a pistol without a license,'' the attorney general's office said.

Earley was charged with hitting Dykes outside the club, reportedly with a crutch. He denied the charge and, according to the attorney general's office, Newport Superior Court Judge Richard Israel was not convinced Earley hit the receiver.

But the judge was convinced that Earley ''incited and orchestrated'' the brawl the attorney general's office said. On Thursday, the judge ruled Earley violated his probation on a 1982 Newport robbery conviction and sentenced him to jail.

The 18-month sentence was recommended by a state prosecutor after negotiations with Earley's lawyer, the statement said.

Dykes, 24, a second-year receiver from Bay City, Texas, was sidelined because of the eye injury and placed on the Patriots' nonfootball-injury reserve list.

The fight apparently started with a dispute over whether Fryar and Dykes were taking too much time in leaving the nightclub, police said.

Dykes testified at a probation violation hearing for Earley that Fryar was driving him from Massachusetts to Dykes's home in Cumberland, R.I., when they decided to stop at Club Shalimar.

City Detective Capt. Bernard Gannon said he did not want to criticize the grand jury's decision on Fryar, but still felt the star receiver had violated the law.

''We worked with the attorney general on the case and decided (Fryar) was not merely transporting the gun through the city in as much as he went to his car and took it out and was brandishing it,'' Gannon said.

Fryar's lawyer, Joseph Cavanagh Jr., said he and his client were ''delighted'' and ''not surprised'' by the grand jury action.

''My personal observation is that I had a client who did a brave thing that night in trying to help a teammate. But because of who he was and because of the technicality of having a gun in Rhode Island instead of Massachusetts, the bravery and courage he showed were overshadowed by this technical charge,'' Cavanagh said.

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#90341u1451 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 7) UPI - Employment levels fell sharply last month and they did so in almost every industry in the country. The results increased unemployment two-tenths of one percent to five-point-nine percent, the highest in over two years. Employment declines were widespread throughout both the goods and services parts of the economy with the largest declines in manufacturing and construction. The government figures show seven-point- eight-Million unemployed last month. And the average earnings of those with jobs was 348 dollars 49 cents a week.

The new role for NATO in a rapidly changing world should be outlined and in place by next spring. That's the word from Brussels where alliance defense ministers are finishing up a two-day meeting. And the outcome should be a reduction in the size of military forces in Europe along with cuts in nuclear capabilities. The defense ministers say they want a new force structure that could respond quickly to localized conflicts should the need arise.

The Bulgarian parliament has approved the nomination of Dimatar Popov as prime

minister-designate. The 63-year-old Popov has been a judge on the municipal court in Sofia, Bulgaria's capital. Socialist Prime Minister Andrei Loukanov resigned a week ago after protests by trade unions who said he was NOT bringing about reforms fast enough.

Youngsters in classrooms across the nation had an astronomy lesson today- was telecast directly from the shuttle Columbia. The astronauts showed their pupils how they are coping with the failure of two computers that have left them unable to control four telescopes. The telescopes are being operated from the ground. Astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman said- ''This has been quite an interesting and dynamic mission.''

A tight military curfew has been clamped on an estimated 20 Palestinian communities and refugee camps in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip keeping 400-thousand people confined to their homes. Palestinians in the occupied territories have proclaimed two days of general strikes beginning tomorrow as they prepare to mark Sunday's third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising.

This is still the ''Day of Infamy'' but the numbers of those who truly remember the events of the day are growing smaller every year. Today marks the 49th anniversary of Japan's sneak attack on the U-S naval might drawn up in what was supposed to be the security of Pearl Harbor. The focal point of the commemorations is the battleship Arizona. It has remained a silent reminder of what went on the day when nearly 12-hundred men became entombed within its sunken hull.

Indiana health authorities say an area of Highland, Indiana, that was flooded last week may be contaminated with cancerous P-C-B's. They have declared it unsafe and ordered residents NOT to return to their homes. The U-S Environmental Protection Agency has found P-C-B's in oil and water in the streets. An official said homeowners may have been using contaminated heating oil.

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#90341u1454 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - New York Stock Exchange member firms that do business with the public Friday reported an after-tax loss of $124 million in the third quarter, prompting fears of further layoffs and cost cutting on Wall Street.

The result compared with an after-tax profit of $471 million recorded in the same period last year, the NYSE said.

Profits for the first nine months of 1990 plunged 98.3 percent to $22 million from $1.276 billion in the first nine months of 1989.

About 48 percent of the 334 member firms reporting for the latest quarter were profitable, posting total pre-tax earnings of $445 million, the NYSE said. The 173 unprofitable firms reported a total loss of $633 million before taxes.

The firms, including such well-known names as Merrill Lynch and Shearson Lehman Hutton, are reeling from falloffs in income from trading, investment banking, interest income and underwriting.

As a result, they may have to cut costs further, including laying off more employees, a respected analyst said.

Perrin Long, analyst at Lipper Analytical Securities, said he believed Wall Street would have to make deeper cuts in its work force as a result of being in straitened circumstances and could end the first quarter of 1991 with 6,000 fewer workers than there were as of last Sept. 30.

The major problem, Long said, is that costs are too high relative to revenue leading him to forecast that the fourth quarter will be in the red both before and after taxes.

The NYSE firms reported third-quarter revenues of nearly $13.09 billion, down 13.4 percent from the same period in 1989.

The third-quarter after-tax loss represented a 1.4 percent annual loss on the member firms' average net worth of $36.46 billion during the period, the NYSE said.

This contrasts with an after-tax profit during last year's third quarter representing a 4.8 percent annual return on the member firms' average net worth of almost $39.13 billion for the three months.

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#90341u1498 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	371.54	off	0.75	359.06	456.22
Industrial	401.28	off	0.99	389.41	445.79
Finance	365.57	off	3.09	350.01	516.31
Insurance	453.15	up	4.67	429.06	560.24
Utility	475.19	up	2.46	463.27	736.67
Bank	260.52	up	1.31	248.11	406.23
Transport	407.98	off	2.52	388.98	490.67

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 163.93 off 0.35
Industrial Index 160.09 off 0.42
NASDAQ-100 Index 398.69 off 0.28

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#90341u1500 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Friday 398.69 off 0.28.

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#90341u1503 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Citicorp	3,267,700	14 3/4	off 1/8
Humana Inc	2,680,800	43 1/2	off 1 7/8
Philip Morris	2,015,100	50	off 1/8
IBM Corp	1,909,400	112 1/2	up 1
Upjohn & Co	1,839,900	39 7/8	up 1/2
NCR Corp	1,765,100	91 3/4	off 1
AT&T Company	1,743,200	29 7/8	off 1/4
Fedl Natl Mtg	1,685,800	33 7/8	up 3/8
Genl Motors	1,642,900	36 1/2	off 5/8
Genl Electric	1,614,400	57 1/2	unch
Pub Svc Entpr	1,536,000	26 1/8	up 1/8
Wal-Mart Strs	1,532,500	31 3/8	off 3/4
Toys R Us	1,488,400	22 3/4	off 1/8
Amer Express	1,423,000	21 7/8	off 3/4
BankAmerica	1,414,900	24	off 1 1/4

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#90341u1509 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - Six key House members, including Democratic leader Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., and Budget Chairman Leon Panetta, D-Calif., urged President Bush Friday to provide direct food and medical aid to the Soviet Union.

In a letter to Bush, the congressmen said, ''We would remind you that the United States remains the richest agricultural producer in the world. Our farmers would be glad of the opportunity to share their wealth with the victms

of the Soviet system.

''It is clear that time is of the essence,'' they said.

In addition to Gephardt and Panetta, the letter was signed by Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., chairman of the Joint Economic Committee, Rep E de la Garza, D-Texas, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, Rep. Tony Hall, D-Ohio, chairman of the House Select Committee on Hunger and Rep. Dan Glickman, D-Kan. chairman of the House Agriculture subcommittee on wheat, soybeans and feed grains.

They wrote Bush that the United States must join Germany, the European Community and international relief organizations ''as quickly as possible to send technical assistance, advisers and emergency medical and food assistance to the Soviet Union.''

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#90341u1510 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Three cases of violence related to the 44-day Daily News strike were reported Friday by police in the wake of a management charge that authorities were not cracking down on "a criminal conspiracy."

The early morning incidents in Manhattan, the Bronx, and Brooklyn involved attacks on three News delivery trucks and their drivers and, in one case, on two News security guards, according to Officer Hugh Barry, a police spokesman.

Five people were arrested on charges of assault in the third degree in an altercation in a residential area of Manhattan's west midtown, Barry said. They were a News truckdriver, his assistant, two security guards, and an electrician from Queens, who began an argument with them.

In all three cases, the News trucks were damaged, Barry said. Windows of two trucks were broken and the third truck, in Bensonhurst, Brooklyn, was damaged by a firebomb hurled onto its roof by three men in a silver Subaru station wagon.

On Thursday, News publisher James Hogue claimed at a press conference that there have been more than 1,000 acts of violence directed against News workers and property since the strike began Oct. 25 and charged they were part of a conspiracy. "It is clear there is...advance coordination," Hoge said. "There have also been coordinated campaigns to intimidate."

Hoge said he spoke to New York Mayor David Dinkins and urged him to speak out against violence. "I submitted to the police the need to face up to the clear reality in this community that gangsters are running free," Hoge said. "Nobody is willing to say really what is occurring.

"Instead, we have public officials hiding behind technical and innocuous statements and that is not living up to the full responsibility of public officials who have been sworn to uphold the law," said the publisher.

"I'm hopeful the mayor understands clearly ... the true size and seriousness of the campaign of violence now underway," he said. "I submit to you that it is unacceptable ... that we must continue to be here continually fighting, pretty much on our own (against) a criminal conspiracy."

Union officials have denied that there is a conspiracy and police authorities speaking at a recent hearing on the issue denied that there was any orchestrated effort. They said their investigations show the violence is random.

George McDonald, head of the Allied Printing Trades Council, the umbrella group for eight of nine striking unions, said, "We know nothing about it." "We don't condonecondone any violence," McDonald said. "We haven't condoned any. There's no orchestrated violence."

Police said Friday's Manhattan incident at a newsstand at 301 West 57th St. started when driver Paul Akins, 35, of 117-37 Marden St., Jamaica, Queens, and his assistant, Donald Neil, 52, of 117-23 230th St., Queens, were confronted by six men who began arguing with them.

Akins called two News security guards who were in the neighborhood for help, Officer Barry said, and the men left. Another man, identified as John McByrne, 31, an electrician of 162-05 71st Ave., Flushng, Queens, then appeared and started a violent argument with News employees.

When police arrived, all five were arrested. The guards were identified as James Carmen, 40, and Richard Yoos, 39, who both gave his address as 1000 Spring St., Elizabeth, N.J., said by police to be a hotel where out-of-state private guards hired by the News are being put up.

The Bronx incident involved an attack on a News truck at 43-35 Webster Ave. by five men armed with pipes and bats, Barry said. The driver sustained minor injuries in the attack and was taken to Our Lady of Mercy Hospital for treatment. The attackers escaped in a 1979 white Cougar. Three men were involved in the firebomb attack on a News truck in Brooklyn, according to to Barry. The driver escaped the truck uninjured.

About 2,500 members of the Guild and eight unions represented by the Allied Printing Trades Council walked off their jobs at the News Oct. 25 after ten months of fruitless contract negotiations. Since then there have been sporadic talks between union negotiators and managment with federal mediators in attendance.

Before the strike, The News, founded in 1919, was the largest-circulation

local newspaper in New York and largest U.S. tabloid. It is owned by the Tribune Co., the Chicago-based publishing, broadcasting and entertainment conglomerate.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	241.90	242.00	239.10	240.05	242.60
Mar	244.00	244.00	241.30	242.05	244.65
Jun	....	....	....	243.95	246.55
Sep	....	....	....	246.35	248.95

Estimated volume: 315 contracts.

Open interest: 1,476 up 30

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	329.80	330.50	326.80	328.25	330.50
Mar	332.80	333.25	329.40	330.90	333.25
Jun	335.85	336.20	332.50	333.70	336.45
Sep	....	339.00	335.00	336.60	339.50

Estimated volume: 68,657 contracts.

Open interest: 164,913 up 3,576

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	179.70	180.40	178.40	179.20	180.35
Mar	181.10	181.80	179.80	180.60	181.80
Jun	183.00	183.20	182.70	181.95	183.20

Open interest: 4,672 up 219

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	547.50	548.00	541.80	544.25	546.65
Jan	549.60	550.20	544.10	546.30	548.70
Feb	548.10	549.50	543.80	546.40	548.80

Estimated volume: 5,664 contracts.

Open interest: 9,114 off 515

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - A Connecticut laboratory has pleaded guilty to making false statements to the Environmental Protection Agency in analyzing sample material taken from Superfund toxic waste sites, the EPA said Friday.

YWC Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of SRK Holding Inc., was fined $500,000 in the first criminal conviction of an environmental laboratory resulting from a nationwide EPA crackdown on fraudulent testing practices among contractors for the agency.

EPA officals said York Laboratories Division, a part of YWC Inc., was a participant in the agency's Contract Laboratory Program, under which private laboratories receive federal contracts to identify contaminants in waste samples. Proper identification of pollutants is essential so effective cleanup plans for Superfund sites can be formulated.

In analyzing the samples, laboratories are supposed to complete their workups within a set period of time to ensure samples do not degrade. The ''holding time'' is designed to ensure a waste sample accurately reflects conditions at a Superfund site.

The EPA said that in May 1987 York Laboratories backdated their reports on some samples to make it appear the work had been completed within the ''holding time.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - It is safe for people to drink milk produced with use of a genetically engineered hormone, a panel of experts said Friday, but there should be research into the "remote possibility" of ill effects on infants.

The conclusion by the panel, which was recruited by the National Institutes of Health, was the same as that of the Food and Drug Administration five years ago. FDA is conducting field tests to determine whether to license the substance, bovine somatatropine.

BST may increase a cow's milk output by at least 10 percent. Milk from herds involved in BST field trials is being sold in some parts of the country. Critics disputed the panel's report as soon as it was distributed.

Jeremy Rifkin, a longtime biotechnology skeptic, interrupted the panel's news conference to criticize its findings. Samuel Epstein, a University of Illinois professor, accused the panel of a whitewash that "trivialized" reports, such as his, about adverse effects on the health of dairy cows.

FDA officials have said a decision whether to approve use of BST is unlikely during 1991. "The panel ... feels milk and meat from cows receiving BST is

safe for human consumption," said Dr. Melvin Grumbach, a pediatrics professor and chairman of the panel.

The panel's conclusions were based on two days of testimony and the scientific material available on BST. The panel said the FDA has a large amount of information on the impact of BST on cows but it was not available for their review.

Earlier this week, Consumers Union said the FDA should reopen its investigation of human safety questions as well as barring any sale of milk produced with BST. It said more information was needed about the insulin-like growth factor, a hormone that mediates many of the effects of growth hormones. Milk produced with BST contains higher levels of the growth factor than untreated milk.

Panel members said the amounts still are far smaller than those produced by the body, one reason why they doubted it posed a risk. They suggested research into how much of the growth factor the body produces at different ages and what effects it has on the stomach, throat, and small intestines.

"What we're talking about is the remote possibility that this increment ... might have a direct, local impact on the upper gastrointestinal tract," Grumbach said.

Dr. David Rush, a health professor at Tufts University, said the growth factor "in our judgment is likely to prove to be not a problem" because of the small amount involved. In addition, Rush said, infants should be fed formula, not whole milk.

Cows' milk contains from three parts per billion to ten parts per billion of the growth factor. Milk from cows treated with BST contains five parts per billion to 15 parts per billion of the growth factor. Adults swallow slightly more of the growth factor in their saliva each day as is found in a quart of milk, the report said.

In addition to asking for more research into the health safety of BST milk, critics contend its use increases the occurence of udder inflamations. More inflamations, they say, will prompt more use of antibiotics and increase the risk of drug residues in milk.

Opponents also say BST could lead to a deluge of surplus milk that would drive some producers - small, family farmers in their view - out of business. With milk in surplus, they say, there is no need to introduce new methods to boost production.

The panel did not weigh the likely impact BST would have on farmers or rural America. The National Farmers Union and a number of consumer and farm activist organizations say BST should not be licensed unless the FDA can show it will

have no harmful economic impacts.

James Clark of Ellicott City, Md., the only farmer on the panel of medical and veterinary experts, said he began the week with an open mind about BST but now felt BST "can be an excellent tool for the small dairy farmer." "They're the ones that have excellent management in most cases," Clark said. "There's no cost to get into this other than the cost of the drug." Wisconsin and Minnesota have enacted temporary bans against commercial use of BST.

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#90341u1530 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 7) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6575	up 50
Ga Pwr pfB	86 5/8	up 34 5/8
Kubota Corp	110	up 17
Atl Richfld pfC	293	off 11
Square D Co	57 3/8	up 4 3/8
Wash Post	198 1/2	up 4
CBS Inc	174	off 3 3/8
No St Pwr pfK	90 5/8	up 3 1/8
Hitachi Ltd	84 7/8	up 3
Security Pac	22	off 3

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	306.45	up 0.10
High Technology	326.05	off 1.18
Capital Goods	320.38	up 0.53
Consumer Goods	396.71	up 1.54
Service	710.16	up 2.49
Retail	1010.20	up 16.27
Financial	359.08	off 2.31
Natural Resources	216.34	off 0.51
Housing-Const-Land	236.40	up 1.45

There was no change in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	404.53	up 0.96
Mid Atlantic	419.59	off 1.35
No Central	408.26	up 0.68
So Atlantic	885.97	up 15.69
So Central	303.21	off 0.86

Mountain	106.75	off 0.68
Pacific	352.86	up 0.33
Foreign	214.87	off 0.10

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#90341u1544 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (DEC. 7) UPI - Onex Corp., an investment company, said Friday it will sell its Norex Leasing Inc. subsidiary to the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce for $48.9 million. The deal is expected to close later in December.

Bruce Clark, president of Norex, Canada's largest independent leasing company, said the deal was good for the company and its employees and will strengthen Norex's position in the marketplace.

The sale price is for all of Norex's shares, subject to pre-closing adjustments and to an interest-bearing holdback of $4.25 million for up to five years. Onex, members of Norex's senior management and other investors paid $42.5 million to acquire Norex's equity in mid-1987.

Onex said its share of the sale proceeds will be used to meet certain commitments and for general corporate purposes. "Norex has greater value for a financial institution than it does for us," said Gerald W. Schwartz, president of Onex, in explaining the deal.

"The current and forseeable business conditions and the recent changes in tax laws have significantly reduced the potential returns Norex could provide to Onex," Schwartz added.

Onex is a diversified company with holdings in a number of autonomous subsidiaries including Sky Chefs, Ball Packaging, Beatrice Foods, and Purolator Courier.

Onex also operates a number of acquisition partnerships including TMB Industries and Hidden Creek Industries. Earlier this week, Hidden Creek acquired two divisions of Wickes Manufacturing Co., a subsidiary of Wickes Cos. Inc. of Santa Monica, Cal., including five plants in the United States and one in Mexico.

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#90341u1549 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - Hartz Mountain Corp. has agreed to pay $45,000 in penalties to settle a civil complaint charging the company failed to disclose reports that pets suffered ill effects from its flea and tick spray, the EPA said Friday.

Environmental Protection Agency officials said the Harrison, N.J., company

failed to tell the EPA that it had received reports from veterinarians and pet owners of adverse effects to animals from pesticides used in the sprays.

The EPA filed an 18-count civil complaint against Hartz in January over the failure to inform the agency of the allegedly harmful effects of ''Hartz Blockade Dog Flea and Tick Repellent'' and the same brand cat spray.

Under federal law, companies with pesticide products must inform the EPA of unreasonable adverse effects within a specified period of time after receiving such reports.

The EPA said Hartz had taken action to respond to the agency's concerns over the incident and therefore the EPA had reduced the company's penalty by 50 percent from an initially proposed fine of $90, 000.

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#90341u1551 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	384.86	233.35	144.00	23.90	329.07
Opening	385.06	233.50	143.96	23.69	328.99
11 a.m.	384.14	233.64	143.99	23.55	328.25
Noon	383.39	232.85	143.88	23.45	327.53
1 p.m.	382.13	232.19	143.38	23.33	326.46
2 p.m.	382.98	232.53	143.55	23.45	327.21
3 p.m.	384.30	233.07	143.82	23.58	328.32
Close	383.70	232.90	143.85	23.41	327.75
Change	off 1.16	off 0.45	off 0.15	off 0.49	off 1.32

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	372.35	369.02	371.54	off 0.75
Industrial	402.06	398.39	401.28	off 0.99
Finance	367.83	364.48	365.57	off 3.09
Insurance	453.28	446.67	453.15	up 4.67
Utility	476.68	470.30	475.19	up 2.46
Bank	260.99	258.74	260.52	up 1.31
Transport	412.45	405.12	407.98	off 2.52

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes
(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	163.93 off 0.35
Industrial Index	160.09 off 0.42
NASDAQ-100 Index	398.69 off 0.28
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.40 off 0.02
Volume	99,429,800 shares
Advances	714
Declines	749
Unchanged	1,308
Total	2,771

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(DEC. 7) UPI - C O R R E C T I O N:

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Employment levels fell sharply last month and they did so in almost every industry in the country. The results increased unemployment two- tenths of one percent to five-point-nine percent, the highest in over two years. Employment declines were widespread throughout both the goods and services parts of the economy with the largest declines in manufacturing and construction. The government figures show seven-point- eight-Million unemployed last month. And the average earnings of those with jobs was 348 dollars 49 cents a week.

The new role for NATO in a rapidly changing world should be outlined and in place by next spring. That's the word from Brussels where alliance defense ministers are finishing up a two-day meeting. And the outcome should be a reduction in the size of military forces in Europe along with cuts in nuclear capabilities. The defense ministers say they want a new force structure that could respond quickly to localized conflicts should the need arise.

The Bulgarian parliament has approved the nomination of Dimatar Popov as prime minister-designate. The 63-year-old Popov has been a judge on the municipal court in Sofia, Bulgaria's capital. Socialist Prime Minister Andrei Loukanov resigned a week ago after protests by trade unions who said he was NOT bringing about reforms fast enough.

Youngsters in classrooms across the nation had an astronomy lesson today- telecast directly from the shuttle Columbia. The astronauts showed their pupils how they are coping with the failure of two computers that have left them unable to control four telescopes. The telescopes are being operated from the ground. Astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman said- ''This has been quite an interesting and dynamic mission.''

A tight military curfew has been clamped on an estimated 20 Palestinian communities and refugee camps in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip keeping 400-thousand people confined to their homes. Palestinians in the occupied territories have proclaimed two days of general strikes beginning tomorrow as they prepare to mark Sunday's third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising.

This is still the ''Day of Infamy'' but the numbers of those who truly remember the events of the day are growing smaller every year. Today marks the 49th anniversary of Japan's sneak attack on the U-S naval might drawn up in what was supposed to be the security of Pearl Harbor. The focal point of the commemorations is the battleship Arizona. It has remained a silent reminder of what went on the day when nearly 12-hundred men became entombed within its sunken hull.

Indiana health authorities say an area of Highland, Indiana, that was flooded last week may be contaminated with cancerous P-C-B's. They have declared it unsafe and ordered residents NOT to return to their homes. The U-S Environmental Protection Agency has found P-C-B's in oil and water in the streets. An official said homeowners may have been using contaminated heating oil.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	22.70-22.80	22.40-22.45
North Sea Brent	28.25-28.35	27.95-28.05
West Texas Intermed	26.55-26.60	26.35-26.45
Light Louisiana Sweet	27.75-27.85	27.45-27.55
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	67.25-67.50	67.20-67.35
No. 2 Heating oil	80.90-81.15	81.70-81.95
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	63.50-63.70	63.85-64.10
No. 2 Heating oil	77.95-78.20	78.70-78.95

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Friday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	124,579,000
Advances	859
Declines	898
Unchanged	2,437
Total	4,194

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 14 to 116 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	74.05	74.95	74.05	74.93	73.77
May	73.65	74.39	73.65	74.37	73.40
Jly	73.36	74.00	73.36	73.96	73.16
Oct	68.10	68.20	68.01	68.20	67.85
Dec	65.50	65.65	65.40	65.63	65.31
Mar	66.30	66.30	66.28	66.30	66.16
May	66.60	....	....	66.66	66.52

Estimated sales: 7,500 contracts
Open interest: 39,918 up 39
The World spot average: 69.38

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(DEC. 7) UPI - Largest net changes amoung NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended December 7, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6575	up 230
NCR Corp	91 3/4	up 35
DeSoto Inc	19	off 24
Cap Cities ABC	437 1/8	up 15 7/8
Wash Post	198 1/2	up 14 1/2
PSI Energy pfG	73	off 13 1/8
Atl Richfld pfC	293	off 12
Square D Co	57 3/8	up 9 7/8
Kubota Corp	110	up 9 7/8
UAL Inc	106 7/8	up 9 3/8
Enron Corp pf	194 1/2	off 8 7/8
Woolworth pfA	165	up 8
Potomac El pf	120	up 7 1/2
San Fe So Pac	6 1/2	off 7 1/4

Utd Telcm pfA	58 1/2	up	6 1/4
ITT pfK	81	up	6
Household pfD	75	up	6
Digital Eqpt	57 5/8	up	5 7/8
Compaq Compter	58 1/2	up	5 3/8
Fedl Home Ln	45 7/8	up	5 3/8

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended December 7, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Contl Air	5,819,500	4	1 5/8	2 1/4	off 1 1/8
Imperial Oil A	4,589,300	52	51 1/2	51 5/8	up 1/8
BAT Industries	3,005,500	11 7/8	11	11 1/2	up 5/16
Wstn Digital	2,339,100	5 5/8	4 1/2	4 7/8	unch
Fruit of Loom	1,758,700	9 1/2	7 3/4	8 7/8	up 7/8
PW Group wtB	1,432,400	10 1/2	8 1/2	9	off 3/8
NY Times A	1,321,700	19 7/8	18 1/4	18 3/4	up 1/2
Salmn wtJn	1,197,700	20 5/8	17 3/4	18	off 7/8
Aericus t2 sc	1,186,500	5 7/8	5 1/8	5 3/8	off 3/4
ENSCO	1,161,400	2 3/8	2 1/8	2 1/8	off 1/4

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(DEC. 7) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.34	7.44	8.46
91-day Treasury bills	7.12	7.22	7.88
182-day Treasury bills	7.08	7.23	7.31
1-year Treasury bills	7.15	7.26	7.20
3-year Treasury notes	7.42	7.59	7.73
7-year Treasury notes	7.96	8.11	7.81
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.19	8.34	7.88
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.64	8.90	8.69
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.54	9.67	9.12
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.62	8.77	8.84
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.89	9.03	8.91
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.09	9.19	9.12
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.06	9.17	9.10

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important

government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	8
New lows	34

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	259	4,014,100
Declines	294	4,117,100
Unchanged	278	2,338,800
Total	831	10,470,000

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(DEC. 7) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	17	57	24
New lows	41	48	36

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	735	56,229,800
Declines	783	89,641,600
Unchanged	501	19,078,600
Total	2,019	164,950,000

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(DEC. 7) UPI - Largest net changes amoung AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended December 7, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Americus GE ut	57	up 5
Americus MRK ut	86 1/8	up 4 5/8
Wesco Fncl	47 1/2	up 4 3/8
SCE pfO	101 5/8	up 4
Bank Trst wt	50 7/8	off 3 7/8
Hudson General	19 1/4	up 3 3/4

Americus ARC sc	20 3/4	off 3 3/4
OEA Inc	34 7/8	up 3 3/8
Crown Cent B	21 1/2	up 3 3/8
Eastern Air pfD	1	off 3 3/8

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Oil markets took a breather with prices mixed in quiet, listless trading Friday after crude lost one-fifth of its value over the previous seven trading sessions on news pointing to possible peace in the Middle East.

''It was taking a rest after the big selloff we've had. It was a kind of sideways day with most of the news already written into the market,'' said Tom Bentz, director of trading at United Energy Inc. in New York.

The U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for January delivery inched up 18 cents to end the day on the New York Mercantile Exchange at $26.58 a barrel, $6.70, or 20.1 percent, less than its $33.28 closing price Wednesday Nov. 28. Volume was a light 67,702 contracts.

January futures for home heating oil slipped Friday 0.54 cent to 79. 17 cents a gallon, a decline of 13.2 cents, or 14.3 percent, over the seven trading sessions.

January unleaded gasoline finished the day on the Merc down 0.13 cent to 66.47 cents a gallon, a drop of 16.58 cents, or 19.8 percent, from the Nov. 28 settlement price.

The plunge started last week when the U.N. Security Council voted military action if Iraq had not evacuated Kuwait by Jan. 15 and President Bush said he would send Secretary of State James Baker to Iraq to talk with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and invited Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to Washington.

The momentum of the market's new ''peace psychology'' was added to Thursday when Saddam announced the freeing of all foreign hostages held since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait triggered the Persian Gulf crisis.

Even though U.S. crude inched up Friday, one analyst said major oil companies were selling WTI, indicating there may be selling pressure on the benchmark crude Monday.

WTI also failed to trade up through a resistance level at $27.10 a barrel indicating some weakness on the buying side, the analyst said.

But Bentz said, ''If we don't have peace immediately, the market may trade sideways or start to move higher as we move closer to the Jan. 15 U.N. ultimatum deadline.''

On the European spot market, where crude barrels are bought and sold for cash, Britain's widely traded North Sea Brent moved up 30 cents to $28.25 a barrel, $6.40, or 18.5 percent, less than its quote Nov. 28.

The United Arab Emirates' Dubai Light - the important Middle East crude shipped mainly to the Far East - also rose 30 cents Friday to $22. 70 a barrel which was still a drop of $6.95, or 24.3 percent, over the last seven trading days.

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#90341u1630 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 7) UPI - The State Department says it hopes some American can leave Iraq today... but everything is up to the Iraqi government. Spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler says some Americans may be able to leave on scheduled flights to Amman, Jordan. She says the State Department is rounding up charter planes to take out others possibly beginning tomorrow.

The General Accounting Office says 30 states will lose money but 19 will gain if the formula for distributing Medicaid dollars is written more fairly. A G-A-O spokeswoman told a congressional committee the present system is not fair because it is based on states' per capita income. She said the formula should consider states' total revenue income and poverty rates.

American Airlines says it flew more passengers more miles in November than a year ago. Revenue passenger miles were up six-point-two percent. American credits strong growth in international flights for its increase. Baseed on revenue passenger miles, American claims to be the largest U-S airline.

The probe into the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie adjourned in Scotland today until January 22nd. One mystery that remains UNsolved is why there apparently was a 13th crew member on board the doomed flight that was bound for New York. Usually there are 12. 270 people died on the plane and on the ground.

Weeping Malaysians are mourning the death of their first prime minister. 87-year-old Tunku Abdul Rahman died last night at a Kuala Lumpur hospital, where he had been on a life-support system since Wednesday after slipping into a coma. Rahman led the campaign for independence from Britain in 1957.

The Episcopal Church is taking up the issue of a Martin Luther King holiday. Presiding Episcopal Bishop Edmond Browning says the denomination will use its General Convention in Phoenix next year to push for enactment of the holiday. Arizona voters in November defeated a referendum to honor the slain civil rights leader.

An Indianapolis tax preparer was sentenced to two years in prison today for

his role in the filing of 19 false federal income tax returns. In one case, Johnny Lee Motley listed a client's pet cat as a dependent worth more than 23-hundred dollars in child care credits and deductions.

A Manhattan building has been cited for whistling too loudly. Neighbors hav e complained about a high-pitched whistle given off by the 72-story Cityspire near Lincoln Center. When the wind blows, some people say the building sounds like somebody blowing across the top of an open bottle- only louder. The city's Department of Environmental Protection has issued a noise violation citation.

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(DEC. 7) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Dec 7, 1990	38	181	459	357	182	998
Nov 30, 1990	24	184	457	342	208	1007
Dec 8, 1989	55	94	382	426	180	988

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Thu	Fri	Thu
Argntn astrl	.000207	.000206	4841.00	4841.00
Astrl dlr	.7719	.7707	1.2955	1.2975
Astr schll	.0960	.0955	10.42	10.47
Blgm frnc-c	.0326	.0324	30.70	30.88
Blgm frnc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brzl crzd	.0070	.0070	142.88	142.59
Brtn pnd	1.9610	1.9380	.5099	.5160
Brtn 1-m	1.9525	1.9284	.5122	.5186
Brtn 3-m	1.9427	1.8126	.5147	.5228
Brtn 6-m	1.9062	1.8929	.5246	.5283
Cnd dllr	.8637	.8612	1.1578	1.1612
Cnd 1-m	.8609	.8584	1.1616	1.1650
Cnd 3-m	.8555	.8460	1.1689	1.1821
Cnd 6-m	.8484	.8396	1.1787	1.1910
Chl ps-f	.003091	.003094	323.47	323.16

China yn	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Clmb ps	.001835	.001837	545.07	544.25
Dnmrk krn	.1757	.1745	5.6907	5.7300
Ecdr scr-z	.001160	.001164	861.90	858.98
Egypt pnd	.3564	.3564	2.8062	2.8062
Fnlnd mrkk	.2803	.2795	3.5680	3.5775
Frnc frnc	.1992	.1978	5.0200	5.0565
Frnc 1-m	.1989	.1975	5.0268	5.0636
Frnc 3-m	.1982	.1967	5.0466	5.0835
Frnc 6-m	.1970	.1955	5.0770	5.1143
Grc drch	.006609	.006575	151.32	152.09
Hllnd gldr	.6026	.5958	1.6595	1.6785
HngKng dlr	.1282	.1281	7.8010	7.8060
India rp	.0557	.0556	17.94	17.98
Ind's rp	.000535	.000535	1870.00	1870.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Irq dnr	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Irlnd pnt	1.8030	1.7885	0.5546	0.5591
Isrl shkl	.5045	.5061	1.9820	1.9760
Italy lr	.000902	.000891	1109.00	1121.75
Jpn yn	.007616	.007570	131.30	132.10
Jpn 1-m	.007633	.007657	131.00	130.60
Jpn 3-m	.007559	.007787	132.30	138.42
Jpn 6-m	.007743	.007862	129.15	127.19
Jrdn dnr	1.5437	1.5437	.6488	.6488
Kwt dnr	3.4258	3.4965	0.2919	0.2860
Lbnn pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mxc ps-z	.000343	.000343	2919.00	2919.00
N.Zlnd dlr	.6242	.6031	1.6020	1.6610
Nrwy krn	.1724	.1714	5.8000	5.8330
Pkstn rp	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Per int	.000002	.000002	467,875	462,950
P'pns ps-z	.0365	.0365	27.36	27.36
Prtgl escd	.007689	.007602	130.05	131.54
Saudi ryl	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Sngpr dlr	.5836	.5823	1.7135	1.7174
S.Afrc rnd	.4000	.3993	2.4997	2.5042
S.Kr wn	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spn pst	.010582	.010508	94.50	95.17
Swdn krn	.1794	.1784	5.5755	5.6040
Swtzrl frnc	.7921	.7862	1.2625	1.2720
Swtzrl 1-m	.7916	.7857	1.2633	1.2728
Swrzrl 3-m	.7903	.7846	1.2654	1.2745
Swtzrl 6-m	.7885	.7830	1.2683	1.2771
Twn dllr	.0374	.0373	26.72	26.78
Trky lr	.000357	.000356	2805.00	2807.00
UAE drhm	.2730	.2730	3.6632	3.6632
Urg'y ps-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00

Vnz blvr-z	.0201	.0200	49.64	49.94
Grmny mrk	.6757	.6709	1.4800	1.4905
Grmny 1-m	.6750	.6703	1.4814	1.4918
Grmny 3-m	.6732	.6688	1.4854	1.4953
Grmny 6-m	.6700	.6660	1.4924	1.5016
Ygsl dnr	.0989	.0980	10.11	10.20

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended December 7.

	30 Indus			20 Transp			15 Utils		
Monday	2565.59	up	5.94	872.04	up	19.04	211.77	off	0.32
Tuesday	2579.70	up	14.11	881.84	up	9.80	212.71	up	0.94
Wednesday	2610.40	up	30.70	903.67	up	21.83	212.71	unchanged	
Thursday	2602.48	off	7.92	913.79	up	10.12	211. 27	off	1.44
Friday	2590.10	off	12.38	909.67	off	4.12	210.07	off	1.20
Net Change		up	30.45		up	56.67		off	2.02

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#90341u1650 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 456.30, off 0.23 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90341u1657 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

ANOKA, MN (DEC. 7) UPI - A 24-year-old man who claimed he was sexually abused by his parish priest for eight years was awarded $3.56 million in damages by a jury Friday.

The verdict by the six-member Anoka County District Court jury was a major victory for the man, who had sought $5.5 million in damages. Attorneys for the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis and the Diocese of Winona had sought to limit any award to no more than $326,000 in compensatory damages.

A court spokeswoman said five of the six jurors concurred in the decision to give the man $855,000 in damages for past and future medical and therapy expenses, loss of earnings, embarrassment and emotional distress.

The jury awarded him $2.7 million in punitive damages.

The jury found the archdiocese and the diocese were 85 percent responsible for the abuse inflicted by the Rev. Thomas Adamson. The other 15 percent was attributed to the plaintiff, his father and his mother.

The jury said there was clear and convincing evidence of willful indifference or lack of concern on the part of the church officials and that they were reckless in employing the priest, who had a 24-year history of abusing boys.

The verdict came near the end of the jury's fourth day of deliberations, following a five-week trial.

In his closing arguments early this week, Jeffrey Anderson, the attorney for the young man, said a large damage award was justified because the church officials deliberately refused to respond to knowledge of Adamson's problem.

''They didn't approve of sex abuse ... they didn't want that to happen,'' Anderson said. ''They weren't malicious, but they made deliberate decisions. They were more than negligent .. they were reckless.''

Adamson has admitted sexual misconduct with boys in the Winona diocese beginning in 1961 and in the archdiocese after his transfer there in 1975.

John Hoffman, the archdiocese's attorney, said that while the defendants admitted negligence in not properly handling the priest but that there was no willful indifference to anyone's safety that would justify punitive damages.

''We made mistakes, but there was no disregard for the safety of others,'' he said in his closing statement. ''Our biggest mistake was believing in this priest. He lied to them (authorities).''

Adamson is living in the Eau Claire, Wis., area and is working as a clerk. Adamson's attorney, Theodore Collins, said the priest has been banished from the Winona diocese and the archdiocese.

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#90341u1674 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.92	9.57
Anchor Fund Inv	14.31	15.18
Delaware Mutual	17.12	18.36

Fidelity Fund	16.57	16.57
Investor Mutual	11.24	11.83
Investor Stocks	18.46	19.43
Investor Select	8.52	8.96
IDS Equity Plus	8.98	9.45
MFS Growth Stk	8.85	9.54
Nicholas Income	3.09	3.09
Utd Accumulated	6.22	6.80
United Income	17.16	18.75
Vang Wellington	16.53	16.53

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#90341u1675 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

TUCSON, Ariz. (DEC. 7) UPI - Tucson Electric Power Co. said Friday it eliminated all preferred stock dividends indefinitely in order to improve the utility's liquidity position by nearly $10 million a year.

The dividends would have been paid starting next February.

The previously declared dividend on the Auction Series A scheduled for paymentDec. 14 will be paid, the company said.

In a statement, Tucson Electric said the possibility of eliminating preferred stock dividends has been discussed in reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission during the last year.

Ira Adler, senior vice president and chief financial officer, said the action is one of several steps being taken by the company to improve its liquidity situation.

Last January, according to Tucson Electric, the board of directors voted to eliminate the common stock dividend, saving an estimated $100 million annually and has since cut capital spending and its work force and has been trying to restructure contract and credit obligations.

The preferred stock affected by Friday's announcement includes: 20, 000 shares in the 4.75 percent series; 58,000 shares of 5.10 percent series; 50,000 shares of 4.80 percent series; and 770 shares of no par on the Auction series A.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended December 7 and the previous week:

Stocks	Warrants

	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	176,995,240	131,241,920	639,100	1,121, 600
Tuesday	185,828,020	147,591,930	719,600	1,282, 900
Wednesday	205,836,740	145,488,380	2,885,800	900,400
Thursday	256,392,190	141,022,740	2,149,800	655, 200
Friday	164,953,280	192,348,870	1,359,500	1,934, 000
Total	990,005,470	757,693,840	7,753,800	5,894, 100

Bonds

	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 34,388,000	$ 30,510,000
Tuesday	$ 37,063,000	$ 39,233,000
Wednesday	$ 37,012,000	$ 43,708,000
Thursday	$ 48,048,000	$ 37,056,000
Friday	$ 48,722,000	$ 35,311,000
Total	$205,233,000	$185,733,000

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#90341u1684 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending December 7.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	90.99	90.99	90.86	90.92	up 0.30
10 Utils	92.88	92.88	92.78	92.83	up 0.32
10 Indus	89.11	89.11	88.86	89.01	up 0.27

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending December 7:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	385.33	380.05	383.70	up 5.78
20 Trans	233.35	224.31	232.90	up 11.72
40 Utils	144.60	143.39	143.85	up 0.81
40 Fncl	24.27	22.53	23.41	up 1.16
500 Stock	329.92	324.10	327.75	up 5.53

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#90341u1700 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended December 7:

High	Low	Last	Net change
307.76	301.78	306.45	up 4.66

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - Regulators Friday closed two more Texas banks, bringing to 100 the number of bank failures in the state and 159 in the nation this year.

Last year, 133 banks failed in Texas and 206 in the nation.

Closed Friday were Heights Bank in Harker Heights, Texas, and First National Bank of Rowlett in Rowlett, Texas.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. said Heights Bank had assets of $30.3 million. It will be acquired by a newly chartered bank to be called Heights State Bank.

Heights State will assume $26.3 million in 7,400 deposit accounts and purchase $17.1 million of the failed bank's assets at a discount of $146,400. The FDIC will adavnce $10.3 million to the assuming bank as part of the transaction.

First National had assets of $22.6 million. The FDIC arranged the transfer of its insured deposits and secured liabilities to U.S. Trust Co. of Texas, National Association, a newly chartered bank subsidiary of U.S. Trust Corp. of New York.

First National had deposits of $22.1 million in 3,900 deposit accounts, including about $410,000 in 21 accounts that exceeded the federal insurance limit of $100,000. The FDIC said the uninsured depositors and non-deposit creditors will share proportionately with the FDIC in the proceeds realized from the liquidation of the failed bank's assets.

In the case of Heights Bank, its drive-up window will reopen Saturday and its main office on Monday. First National's sole office will reopen Monday. Both failed banks will reopen under the name of their assuming banks.

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#90341u1732 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - With his company attempting to restructure a massive debt load, Meshulam Riklis resigned as E-II Holdings Inc.'s chairman and chief executive officer along with the other members of the board, E-II said Friday.

Samsonite Corp. President Steven J. Green was named to take over from Riklis - the Turkish-born husband of entertainer Pia Zadora who has been a fixture on the corporate scene for three decades and has bought and sold a wide variety of holdings - as chief executive of the deb-burdened company.

E-II also announced a complex transaction involving its stock in the McCrory's retail chain that includes transfer of some of those holdings to Riklis. In exchange, Riklis is due to pay E-II $350 million in five years if he still owns McCrory.

In a terse news announcement, Green said he believed the resignations and the McCrory actions ''will enable us to focus on the restructuring of E-II. We intend to commence discussions with the creditors of E-II.''

But E-II spokesman Paul Weiner said that Riklis had not been ousted as a result of pressure from E-II's bankers.

E-II is the corporate parent of McCrory's, luggage manufacturer Samsonite, water-purification systems manufacturer and distributor Culligan International Co. and several companies in the apparel business, including Botany 500.

Weiner refused to disclose how many other directors were on the board prior to the resignations or their identities.

E-II has outstanding about $532 million of 12.85 percent senior subordinated notes that mature in 1997 as well as $708.5 million of 13. 05 percent subordinated debentures due 1999.

E-II said the McCrory transaction involved conversion of $350 million of advances and preferred stock previously invested in McCrory Corp. into a new preferred stock and 90 percent of McCrory's common stock, leaving McCrory Parent Corp. with the other 10 percent of the common and its ownership of certain preferred stocks.

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#90341u1738 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 8) UPI - Sports Digest:

BASEBALL

Dwight Evans, who has spent his 19-year career with the Red Sox, signed a one-year contract with the Baltimore Orioles. The deal could be worth up to $1.3 million, depending on how many games the 39-year-old outfielder plays.

The Astros have offered free agent pitcher Juan Agosto salary arbitration. The reliever has until Dec. 19 to accept the offer. If he does not accept, Houston

has until Jan. 8 to sign him.

The Rangers will not offer arbitration to free-agent pitcher Charlie Hough. The knuckleball artist was 12-12 with a 4.07 ERA for Texas in 1990.

The White Sox will not offer salary arbitration to free agent Phil Bradley, enabling the outfielder to pursue a deal with another club.

One of three known autographs of "Shoeless" Joe Jackson was sold in New York for $23,100, the highest price ever paid at auction for a 19th or 20th century autograph. The buyer owns a sports memorabilia auction house.

BOXING

The Polish national team will face the U.S. Feb. 3 in a meet at Northern Michigan University. The competition features one bout in each of the 12 Olympic weight categories.

COLLEGE

The NAIA shut down the Arkansas-Pine Bluff football program for two years as the result of 41 rules violations. In the most severe sanctions handed down by the NAIA, the organization also barred UAPB from its football playoffs for two years upon its return in 1993, and ordered the school to forfeit all their games from the 1987, 1988 and 1989, as well as the first two games of 1990.

William Moultrie resigned as Howard's athletic director but will remain track coach.

FOOTBALL

Cleveland center Mike Baab plans to wear an orange stripe on his jersey Sunday to honor American servicemen, including his father, now stationed in the Middle East. Several members of Baab's family will be at the Astrodome when the veteran player returns to his native Texas to play the Oilers.

GOLF

David Frost of South Africa shot a 1-under-par 71 to overtake Bernhard Langer of Germany for the second-round lead at the Sun City Million Dollar Challenge. Langer is one stroke back.

New Zealand's Greg Turner took the lead halfway through the $77,000 Johnnie Walker Golf Classic at Melbourne, Australia. Turner shot a 3-under 68 to lead Sweden's Gabriel Hjerstedt by a shot.

HOCKEY

NHL owners failed again Friday to redraw the map of conferences and divisions mandated by the addition of three new franchises. Owners attending the Board of Governors meeting in Palm Beach, Fla., adjourned after three hours Friday and scheduled another meeting for Saturday. Thursday, the NHL added the Tampa Bay Lightning and the Ottawa Senators, beginning in 1992. The San Jose Sharks enter the league next year.

Canada lost 4-3 to Switzerland in the Nissan Cup at Zug, Switzerland. The decision snapped Canada's five-game unbeaten streak and places the Canadians in the third-place game against West Germany.

LAW

New England Patriots wide receiver Irving Fryar was cleared by a grand jury in Providence, R.I., of a weapons charge stemming from a nightclub melee in October. A bouncer at the club was cleared of assaulting Fryar's teammate, Hart Lee Dykes. The bouncer was convicted Thursday of violating his probation by inciting the brawl and was sentenced to 18 months in prison.

OLYMPICS

Statoil, Norway's state-owned oil company, has committed $10 million to the 1994 Winter Olympics at Lillehammer, Norway. The contract, which makes Statoil the fourth sponsor of the event, includes delivery of all gas and oil products needed during the Games.

TABLE TENNIS

South Korea retained the women's team title at the Asian Table Tennis Championships, beating North Korea 3-0 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

WINTER SPORTS

Switzerland's Bernhard Fahner had fastest time in the final training run for Saturday's opening World Cup downhill at Val D'Isere, France. For the women, Switzerland's Heidi Zurbriggen twice posted the fastest time during final training for Saturday's World Cup downhill at Altenmarkt, Austria.

Germans Jana Bode and Susi Erdmann finished 1-2 for the second straight day in the World Cup luge at Koenigssee, Germany.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended December 7:

Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2572.28	2656.44	2534.65	2590.10	up 30. 45
20 Trans	864.83	939.09	857.62	909.67	up 56.67
15 Utils	211.96	214.47	208.50	210.07	off 2.02
65 Stocks	898.29	936.35	888.79	912.15	up 19.37

20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

90.99 90.99 90.86 90.92 up 0.30

Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

123.93 124.49 122.69 122.69 off 1.01

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#90341u1747 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - Stocks gained ground this week, but fears about the economy reasserted themselves and cut short a midweek rally which had been fueled by peace overtures in the Mideast.

The Dow Jones industrial average lost 12.38 Friday to end the week at 2590.10. It rose 30.45 for the week, or 1.19 percent.

Among broader market indexes, Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 5.53 to end the week at 327.75 and the New York Stock Exchange composite index added 3.01 to end the week at 179.07.

Advances led declines 1,285-656 among the 2,182 NYSE issues traded this week. Weekly Big Board volume totaled 990,005,470 shares, compared with 757,693,840 a week earlier and 757,800,300 shares a year ago.

The market seesawed this week, gaining Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, closing mixed Thursday and closing lower Friday.

After an uneventful Monday, dovish signals from the Mideast sustained the market's rally Tuesday and Wednesday.

Prices gained Tuesday thanks to a British television report that Iraq has outlined a proposal for withdrawal from Kuwait, even though the State Department said it knew nothing about the report.

Stocks rallied Wednesday in heavy trading as optimism grew that the Persian Gulf crisis would be solved diplomatically. The State Department announced that Iraq had accepted President Bush's offer to hold talks on the Mideast crisis. The Dow surged 30 points to close above the 2600 level for the first time since Sept. 12.

The most dramatic news from the Mideast came Thursday, when Iraqi leader

Saddam Hussein said he would release all foreign hostages being held by Baghdad. While the Dow bolted 30 points on the opening, the advance faded and the blue chip average turned lower by the afternoon when IBM's stock tumbled.

Big Blue was done in by market rumors that the company had been guiding analysts' earnings estimates lower. The company denied the rumors, but to no avail. Sentiment shifted from optimism about the Mideast to fear about how company earnings would fare in the faltering economy.

The government's report on November employment Friday only served to add to the nervousness. Stocks closed lower Friday, despite an interest rate cut by the Federal Reserve and a prime rate cut by a few small banks, after the government reported a rise of 0.2 percent in the jobless rate and an unexpectedly steep drop in the number of non-farm jobs.

''Even though we were up this week, its a little disturbing because I don't believe we could have had better news than the peace offensive - the offer to exchange negotiators and the offer to release the hostages, '' said Hugh Johnson, chief economist at First Albany Corp. in Albany, N.Y.

''It's clear that we're headed toward a peaceful resolution in the Mideast and that's been a real dark cloud over the market for a long time,'' he continued. ''Now despite the fact that we've removed the ominous dark cloud, the market has not sustained its up move from earlier in the week and that means the focus has shifted back to the economy.''

Johnson said the forces this week that helped bring about that shift were a weak purchasing managers' survey, the gloomy report on car sales for the latest 10-day period and last but certainly not least, the job figures Friday.

''It's very disappointing that the market isn't responding to good news,'' Johnson said, referring not only to the Mideast news but the cut in short-term rates this week. ''The market is clearly tied in knots over the economy and I guess that's because the Fed has been very aggressive in trying to resuscitate its patient but the EKG still seems rather flat.''

And that weak heartbeat means only one thing to Wall Street - anemic corporate earnings. ''It's going to be difficult for corporate America to earn dollars in a recessionary environment,'' said Jeff Kaminsky, head of institutional sales trading at Mabon, Nugent & Co.

''The question is how much of an effect lower rates will have in stimulating the economy. I subscribe to the theory that even if rates come down that's not going to be enough to stimulate the economy if demand isn't there,'' he said.

''Many industries are cyclical and upgraded their facilities over the past decade. There's no guarantee lower rates will stimulate demand in these sectors,'' he argued.

On the trading floor this week, AT&T was the most active issue, off 2 1/4 to 29 7/8 in a week when it launched a hostile $90-a-share bid for NCR, which catapulted 35 to 91 3/4.

Citicorp followed, up 2 1/8 to 14 3/4 as financial issues recovered from their recent battering when the Fed said it would ease some bank reserve requirements. First Bank System was third, up 2 1/8 to 14 3/8.

Among the other blue chips, IBM lost 1 1/8 to 112 1/2, American Express rose 1 3/8 to 21 7/8, General Electric added 2 3/4 to 57 1/2 and Philip Morris gained 1 3/8 to 50.

On the American Stock Exchange, the Amex Market Value index rose 4.66 to close Friday at 306.45. Advances led declines 459-357 among the 998 issues traded.

Amex volume totaled 64,409,155 shares, compared with 60,448,405 traded a week earlier and 64,199,330 traded in the same week a year ago.

Continental Air led the Amex actives, sinking 1 1/8 to 2 1/4. The company Monday filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rallied 12.52 to end the week at 371.54.

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#90341u1748 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 7) UPI - State Supreme Court Justice James McDermott won a $6 million judgment Friday in a libel suit he had filed against The Philadelphia Inquirer.

The jury ruled that the original series of articles titled, ''Above the Law,'' defamed the high court justice but were true. No money was awarded for that portion of the case.

But the jury decided that a reprint of the articles, which were written by reporter Daniel Biddle and included additional material, also defamed McDermott and were false. He was awarded $3 million in punitive damages and $3 million in compensatory damages.

The three-part series, which was first published in May 1983, examined the functions and judiciary problems of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. But the full series was not part of the suit, only the portions referring to McDermott.

The justice alleged that the series implied that he fixed cases.

McDermott's attorney, James Beasley, applauded the award.

''It was a verdict in favor of Justice McDermott in the amount of $6 million and I feel damn good about it,'' he said.

The paper's attorney, William Hangley, called the verdict ''bizarre'' and said the decision will be appealed.

Biddle reacted to the decision by saying that he stands by his story.

''They were true then and they are true now,'' Biddle said. ''We will fight on.''

Biddle reported that McDermott participated in two cases involving attorneys of the Dilworth, Paxson, Kalish and Kauffman law firm. The firm was the largest contributor to McDermott's election campaign in 1981. It gave $6,100.

Biddle reported that Dilworth partner John Elliott arranged a limousine trip to Pennsylvania's coal region for McDermott and several others. Three months later McDermott voted in favor of Dilworth clients in a coal case.

Carbon County Judge John Lavelle presided over the seven-week trial in Philadelphia Common Pleas Court.

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#90341u1758 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended December 7, 1990.

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
AppleC	(AAPL)	478,596,000	42 3/4	37	42 1/2	up 1 1/4
Micrsoft	(MSFT)	374,642,016	76 3/4	72 1/4	74 1/4	off 1/2
MCI Com	(MCIC)	368,246,016	20 3/4	18 1/2	20 1/2	up 3/8
IntelCp	(INTL)	294,602,016	39 1/4	37 1/4	37 3/4	off 5/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	272,899,008	58 3/4	52	54 1/4	up 1/2
SunMicro	(SUNW)	210,268,000	24	19 3/4	23	unch
ReuterH	(RTRS)	183,261,008	38 1/2	34 1/4	37 3/8	off 3/8
Novell	(NOVL)	150,616,000	34	30 1/4	31 3/4	up 1/4
Medco	(MEDG)	119,058,000	32 1/8	29 1/2	31 3/8	up 1/8
StPaul	(STPL)	115,822,000	66	63	64 1/2	off 1/4

NMS volume 709,032,300 shares.

Advances	1,285
Declines	817
Unchanged	663
Total	2,765

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#90341u1764 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. (DEC. 7) UPI - Genentech Inc. will pay $29 million to settle a number of 2-year-old shareholder lawsuits alleging the company misled investors about the potential for its heart-attack drug TPA, the company said Friday.

Genentech, a pioneer in biotechnology, did not admit any wrongdoing in the case and said the settlement would have no impact on fourth- quarter earnings. A ''substantial portion'' will be paid by Genentech's insurance company and the rest will come from already established reserves, the company said.

Several stockholders sued Genentech in 1988 after the company disclosed that sales of its TPA clot-busting heart drug, touted as the first ''blockbuster'' drug of the U.S. biotechnology industry, were growing far slower than expected.

In lawsuits filed by San Diego attorney William Lerach, shareholders accused Genentech of falsifying test data regarding TPA, misrepresenting its potential and selling stock based on false information about the drug.

TPA, which costs more than $2,000 a dose, is used to dissolve blood clots immediately after a heart attack. The drug, introduced in 1987, accounted for $196.4 million of Genentech's $400.5 million in total revenue last year.

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#90341u1819 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 7) UPI - The Treasury bond market leaped ahead Friday on the toughest evidence to date that the U.S. economy is tumbling into recession, and on the Federal Reserve's short-term credit easing response to that.

Market-watchers said the news that U.S. unemployment rose to 5.9 percent in November, up 0.2 percent from 5.7 percent in October, added to the week's diplomatic gains in the Gulf, was very positive for bonds.

The government's benchmark 30-year bond, the 8 3/4 Treasury maturing in 2020, finished trading Friday at 106 08/32 to yield 8.19 percent - strongly ahead from last week's price of 103 26/32, yielding 8.40 percent.

The 2 3/8 point gain equals $23.75 for every $1,000 bond face value.

Bond prices generally rise amid economic distress, because such fixed-income investments are more sought as a surer financial refuge. And as interest rates fall to stimulate growth, their returns become more attractive.

Steps towards peace in the Persian Gulf calmed fears of a war that might halt the flow of oil out of the strategic region, drive oil prices through the roof and accelerate inflation which erodes bonds' fixed returns.

Economists say that unemployment approaching 6 percent puts downward pressure on inflation as wage demands are moderated. So the surge in joblessness to 5.9 percent went a long way to allaying bond market inflation fears.

But observers said the key element this week was evidence of recession, which led the Federal Reserve to take action Friday to guide the short-term Federal funds interest rate down to 7.25 percent from 7. 50 percent.

The Fed funds rate, applied on bank-to-bank loans of reserve system funds, is closely watched as a bellwether of Fed monetary policy.

''Sentiment in the long bond market has changed substantially,'' said Shannon Clyne, a Bank of America senior vice president and chief investment officer of its Investment Management Group, from fearing a hasty, inflationary Fed easing to giving ''a vote of confidence'' to central bank policy.

Clyne added, ''The economic evidence is pretty compelling that the economy, if not in recession, is slowing at a pace that requires Fed action.''

Economists thought the Fed might decide to ease again soon - possibly at the Dec. 17 meeting of its policy-setting Open Market Committee.

Or the central bank could bring the Fed funds rate down as it carries out the release, from Dec. 13 to Jan. 10, to U.S. banks of $14 billion previously held aside as reserves. The Fed will soak up most of that new liquidity to keep the funds rate from plummeting - but it could leave some slack.

Analysts note that although the Fed's reserve policy change was intended to stimulate bank lending to creditworthy borrowers, institutions initially will probably put a lot of that windfall into Treasury instruments. That is likely to help the tone of the market around year end, they said.

Many financial economists are looking for the funds rate to decline to around 6.5 percent, with the yield on the 30-year bond descending to a point between 7.5 percent and 8 percent - bond prices rising accordingly.

''We get the sense that money managers are going to continue to be interested in adding to their fixed-income portfolios at least through year-end, if not beyond,'' Smith Barney analyst Mitchell Held wrote in a newsletter.

''In local currency terms, with the exception of Australia, the U.S. Treasury market has been the best performing fixed-income market in 1990,'' he said.

But money manager Clyne cautioned that Gulf peace moves may have put a large component of euphoria into the market.

''It seems almost inevitable that something will happen to spook the market

somewhere along the line,'' Clyne said. ''Prices are still very vulnerable to any setback in progress in the Mideast.''

Anyone who's already bought in is holding ''good fundamental values,'' Clyne said. But he cautioned, ''For someone who's thinking of buying there's probably going to be a better opportunity along the way.''

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COLFAX, CA (DEC. 7) UPI - Sunlight shining through a stained-glass window is the cause of a shimmering image on a church wall that has drawn thousands of pilgrims for a glimpse of what many believe is an apparition of the Virgin Mary, an optics expert said Friday.

James Phelps, a physics professor who examined the image on the wall of St. Dominic's Catholic Church, said the multicolored light that has appeared above a statue of Jesus daily since Thanksgiving is a reflection of the sun through a stained-glass window that bounces off a hanging lamp.

''Light is coming through a large stained-glass window behind the pulpit,'' Phelps said. ''It hits that light fixture and bounces off onto the wall above a statue of Jesus and forms the apparition.''

Police said more than 3,000 pilgrims flocked to the tiny Sierra Nevada foothills town Friday to see the image, which some believers say is a silhouette of the head and shoulders of the Madonna. Hundreds lined up in the cold winter dawn and packed the 40-year-old church for the second week in a row.

The image stays for about one hour every morning. Phelps said the sun moving across the sky temporary shines directly through the window and reflects off the concave-shaped surface of a lamp hanging from the ceiling.

''Theres some slight focusing that happens because of the bent shape of the fixture,'' he said. ''That's why it is as intense as it is. Otherwise it would be a featureless floodlight.''

The image will disappear if sunlight becomes diffused on a cloudy, gray day, Phelps said.

''When that happens, you're not going to see it,'' said Phelps, who teaches a course in optics, the study of light.

Parish Coordinator Ed Molloy said the explanation does not mean the image is not divinely inspired.

''I don't care what the skeptics think,'' Molloy said. ''God created light. He

can do with that light whatever he wants.''

''I don't care what they may discover scientifically. It happened at this particular time. There's a message for us who believe,'' he said in a telephone interview.

The only motel in the Placer County town of about 1,100 is filled and many people are camping out, said Colfax Police Chief Bill Mintline, whose seven-member police department has worked overtime to manage the huge crowds.

Bishop Francis Quinn of the Sacramento Diocese said there are three possible explanations for the image in the church, located 45 miles northeast of Sacramento.

''It might just be a natural phenomenon and nothing divinely inspired. It could be a natural phenomenon inspired by God. Some of the faithful say God works through natural means instead of direct intervention. The third possibility is direct divine intervention,'' Quinn said.

''It is a matter of belief,'' he said in a telephone interview. ''For those who believe, no explanation is necessary. For those who do not believe, no explanation is possible.''

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (DEC. 7) UPI - Duke Power Co. said Friday that preliminary estimates of 1991 expenses may run as much as $100 million higher than estimates made in January 1990.

''The figures are both conservatively high and preliminary,'' said Senior Vice President and General Counsel Steve C. Griffith. ''But we are nonetheless treating them seriously and are taking several steps to reduce those higher costs.''

He cited the utility's goal to reduce the size of its work force by about 3 percent during 1991 via attrition and a ''comprehensive, in- house study'' of operations designed to come up with ''more productive and cost-effective ways to do business.''

The final amount of the overrun is expected to come in ''substantially less than $100 million'' when firm budget figures are compiled next month, Griffith said.

A combination of factors is contributing to the higher expenses, according to Griffith.

Duke Power is adding some 30,000 to 40,000 customers a year, and the resources

needed to meet this customer growth all cost more, he said.

Moreover, an increase in fees charged by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and greater medical-benefit costs are adding to expenses, Griffith said.

''In light of an overall budget of some $2 billion, we are taking the appropriate steps to reduce our expenses,'' he added.

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(DEC. 7) - The rubber-stamp Iraqi National Assembly, carrying out President Saddam Hussein's order, voted Friday to free all foreign nationals held hostage in Iraq and occupied Kuwait, the official Iraqi news agency INA said.

In a special session on the Moslem day of prayer, the assembly voted 235-15 to lift all travel restrictions for about 6,000 Western and Japanese nationals still trapped in the troubled area, INA said.

But the Iraqis did not say when the hostages would be freed.

A British Airways Boeing 767 left London for Baghdad Friday, but its crew did not know when they would return with the first load of 1,125 British hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait.

In Santiago, Chile, where President Bush was visiting on his five- country tour of South America, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said: ''We obviously welcome the vote of the assembly and hope the release of our hostages can be carried out as quickly and effectively as possible.''

Fitzwater said charge d'affaires Joseph Wilson would be meeting with Iraqi Foreign Ministry officials to discuss the logistics of the release.

The State Department is urging Americans still hiding inside Iraq and Kuwait to out of sight until Iraq makes clear when and how they can leave.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said if all Americans in Kuwait are allowed to leave, the U.S. Embassy would be vacated but would not be formally closed.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, asked on the ABC-TV progam ''Nightline'' if the hostages would be free by Christmas, replied: ''Well, I hope so. Yes, I think that by Christmas, everybody could ... could leave.''

Aziz said if the embassy in Kuwait is vacated, the United States ''will be given all the guarantees they are asking for. The building will be secure and there would be no problem about that ....''

Asked if foreigners still hiding in Kuwait are included in the release, Aziz said, ''Yes, yes, absolutely. They shouldn't be in hiding now after the decision taken by the National Assembly.''

Last month, Saddam said he would free the hostages in batches beginning Christmas Day and ending March 25.

In a message Thursday to the speaker of Iraq's National Assembly, Saddam told the parliament to ''lift the ban on the travel of all foreigners whose travel abroad has been restricted and to take a decision to this effect,'' according to the Iraqi News Agency.

Proponents of the release called the assembly vote a gesture of peace, the agency said.

But later Friday in Caracas, Venezuela, Fitzwater said that the threat of war ''still exists as strong as ever,'' but noted that the latest developments indicate U.N. resolutions against Iraq have placed ''a new degree of pressure and urgency on Saddam Hussein.''

Freedom for all foreign nationals held by Iraq since its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait would meet one of the three U.N. objectives for resolving the 4-month-old Persian Gulf crisis.

But Pentagon officials said Iraq continued this week to build up its military forces in the region, indicating Saddam is not ready to meet the two other U.N. objectives - unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait and restoration of Kuwait's legitimate government.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said plans to complete the massive U.S. troop buildup in the Persian Gulf are not affected by the hostage issue. He told a meeting Friday of NATO defense ministers in Brussels that the additional 150,000 U.S. troops ordered to the gulf last month will be ''sufficient to give us offensive military capability should it be required.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 7) UPI - Six key House members, including Democratic leader Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., and Budget Chairman Leon Panetta, D-Calif., urged President Bush Friday to provide direct food and medical aid to the Soviet Union.

In a letter to Bush, the congressmen said, ''We would remind you that the United States remains the richest agricultural producer in the world. Our farmers would be glad of the opportunity to share their wealth with the victims of the Soviet system.

''It is clear that time is of the essence,'' they said.

The letter said the United States must join Germany, the European Community and international relief organizations ''as quickly as possible to send technical assistance, advisers and emergency medical and food assistance to the Soviet Union.''

The letter was also signed by Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., chairman of the Joint Economic Committee, Rep E de la Garza, D-Texas, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, Rep. Tony Hall, D-Ohio, chairman of the House Select Committee on Hunger and Rep. Dan Glickman, D-Kan., chairman of the House Agriculture subcommittee on wheat, soybeans and feed grains.

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LANSING, MI (DEC. 7) UPI - Environmentalists say consumers should heed stingy old Ebenezer Scrooge when selecting holiday gifts and shy away from presents that come in big, gaudy packages.

Clean Water Action and the Public Interest Research Group in Michigan said Friday that presents in large packages leave something to remember them by for a long time - excess paper and plastic that takes up landfill space and pollutes the environment.

''The Christmas gift-giving season is cause for major planetary indigestion,'' said Kathy Aterno, Michigan director of Clean Water Action.

''The Christmas packaging binge is only to make products appear larger, slicker or somehow more attractive in an attempt to increase sales,'' she continued. ''We, the consumers, end up on Christmas Day with enough extra paper, cardboard and plastic and Styrofoam packaging to open our own packaging stores.''

The environmental groups tapped seven companies for ''Wastemaker'' awards, marking them as putting excessive packaging on their products.

The ''Wastemaker'' awards apparently were patterned after a list compiled annually by Rep. Frank Perrone, D-N.J. The list has been copied by environmental groups in many states.

Making the ''Wastemaker'' list were:

-Saranac Glove Co., Green Bay, Wis., for ''football gloves'' encased in a plastic container much larger than what is needed to hold the product.

-Fisher Price Co., East Aurora, N.Y., for its ''Smooshees Smugglers'' toy, which comes in a cardboard and plastic case.

-Polygram Records, for a compact disc that comes in a long cardboard box wrapped in plastic wrap while the disc already is held in a permanent hard plastic case.

-Cosmair Inc., New York, N.Y., for its ''Drakkar Noir'' cosmetics gift set, which places two small bottles in a hefty cardboard box with plastic inserts.

-Calvin Klein Cosmetics Co., New York, N.Y., for its ''Obsession'' gift set, which also places two small bottles in a large package,

-Carleton Cards, Cleveland, for its wrap and trim set, which places a single sheet of wrapping paper and a tiny bow in separate plastic- wrapped containers.

-Gibson Greetings Co., Memphis, Tenn., for its ''Lustra Reflections'' wrapping paper, which offers non-degradable plastic sheets for gift wrapping and wraps them in more plastic shrink wrap.

Fisher Price spokesman Jack Martin said that Smooshees have not been manufactured by the company since the summer of 1989. Meanwhile, he said, Fisher Price is trying to be smarter in how it packages Toys.

He said companies must continue to look at ''what it takes to get it there safely and what it takes to catch the consumer's eye and protect the product.''

Calvin Klein ''has always represented high standards and consumer acceptance without sacrificing product quality or safety, and we share everyone's concern for the impact consumer-packaged goods have on the environment,'' said Lucille Van Baaren, the company's regulatory-affairs director.

''We are actively developing long-range strategies to address a number of environmental issues.''

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#90341u1891 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 7) UPI - Standard & Poor's Corp. said Friday it lowered its ratings of Hilton Hotels Corp.'s senior debt and commercial paper because the chain faces industry-wide problems from a recession and increased casino competition.

The credit-rating agency also said it had removed about $275 million of Hilton's long-term securities from CreditWatch.

Hilton, which owns, operates or franchises more than 270 hotels, earned $85.2 million on revenues of $799.2 million during the first nine months of this year.

The company owns some of the nation's leading hotel properties, including the Waldorf Astoria in New York, the Palmer House in Chicago, the Hawaiian Village and four Nevada hotel-casinos.

''Weak hotel industry conditions and increasingly competitive Nevada gaming markets are expected to continue to hamper the firm's efforts to improve profitability,'' S&P said.

''While Hilton's landmark hotel properties in gateway cities hold up better in a downturn, segment operating performance may still deteriorate somewhat due to industry overcapacity and declining business travel,'' the agency said.

''Additionally, Hilton's gaming operations face intense competition in both the high-roller and middle-level gaming market segments.''

As a result, Hilton's profitability and interest coverage are likely to remain ''lackluster'' for some time, the agency said.

But it also said that over the intermediate term, earnings should improve as hotel industry oversupply diminishes.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - The following is Money Magazine's Small Investor Index (Dec. 31, 1989 average equals 100):

This week 102.46, up 2.51 or 1.50 percent, compared with 100.95 (revised) the previous week.

The week's change for each asset:

Category	PC Chg. Index	Week Ago	PC Chg. Year Ago
Stocks			
Blue chips	97.14	up 4.10	off 1.85
Small stocks	82.74	up 4.66	off 18.40
Equity funds	94.53	up 3.34	off 5.16
Bonds			
Taxable bonds	107.19	up 0.79	up 7.48
Municipal bonds	108.30	up 0.52	up 8.48
Bond funds	101.10	up 1.06	up 0.97
Cash			
CDs	107.44	up 0.14	up 7.92
Money funds	105.63	up 0.11	up 5.99
Other			
Real estate	101.83	up 0.19	up 1.99
Gold	79.50	off 4.07	off 20.48

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 7) UPI - Bumble Bee Seafoods, hit with an environmental group's boycott over claims that it has continued to buy tuna using methods that kill dolphins, launched a media blitz Friday against the group.

San Diego-based Bumble Bee, the nation's third-largest tuna canner, took full-page advertisements in several newspapers, saying in the headline ''It is time to set the record straight. Bumble Bee is dolphin- safe.''

San Francisco-based Earth Island, a 9-year-old group that opposes the practice of using huge driftnets for ocean fishing, called for the boycott earlier this week. The group claimed that Bumble Bee has continued to buy tuna caught with driftnets, which catch and kill dolphins, turtles and birds in addition to fish.

Friday's advertisement did not address the driftnet issue directly, but simply insisted that the company's policies are ''dolphin-safe.''

It listed the company's previously stated claims that it has supported legislation to protect dolphins and has invited the environmental community to place an observor at the Thailand plant operated by its parent, Unicord Inc.

The advertisement also said, ''If you really want to save dolphin, support responsible environmental groups.''

But David Phillips, executive director of Earth Island, said Friday that his group continues to believe that Bumble Bee is lying about its policies. ''We continue to call for a boycott of Bumble Bee tuna,'' he said.

Bumble Bee announced in April that it would only buy tuna caught in ways that did not endanger dolphins, which often swim near schools of tuna. The No. 1 and No. 2 tuna canners, H.J. Heinz' StarKist Seafood and Van Kamp Seafood's Chicken of the Sea, also agreed to change their buying policies.

Unlike its competitors, Bumble Bee said it would need six months to end existing fishing contracts, but it began selling cans of tuna labeled ''dolphin safe'' in June.

''Bumble Bee has been deceiving the American public for the past eight months '' Phillips said.

Earth Island's allegations that Bumble Bee is violating its stated policies are based on a three-week visit to Thailand by Earth Island researcher Brenda Killian in October.

Killian has alleged that during that time Unicord bought a boatload of

driftnet tuna from the Maya, an Ecuadoran boat. The company has denied the charge.

Bumble Bee's president, Mark Koob, has said that Earth Island officials have not contacted the company about their concerns. Phillips said that the group has had extensive contact with Koob on several occasions.

''In September, I had a long, heated discussion with Mark Koob about these issues,'' Phillips said.

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#90341u1992 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 7) UPI - Conglomerate Teledyne Inc. said Friday that it expects its fourth-quarter earnings will be about break-even because of a planned closing of Teledyne Monarch Rubber and overruns in certain fixed-price defense contracts.

Teledyne did not identify which contracts produced the cost overruns.

The Los Angeles-based company said it has been attempting to sell its money-losing Monarch Rubber operation in Hartville, Ohio, and has been unsuccessful in this effort so far. It said it will cost down the plant sometime during 1991 as a result.

Teledyne said it will include the estimated cost of the closure in the fourth-quarter results.

Monarch Rubber, which produces rubber and metal parts for the automotive industry and industrial tires, had sales of $135 million in 1989 and employs about 900 people.

Teledyne was hit last month with the announcement that the U.S. Justice Department had joined a whistle-blower lawusit, alleging that a subsidiary of systematically inflated its cost estimates on defense contracts.

The practice allgededly defrauded the government of more than $100 million.

Teledyne earned $94 million on sales of $2.57 billion during the first nine months of this year.

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#90341u2017 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 7) UPI - Iraq's parliament has approved releasing the estimated six-thousand foreigners from Iraq and occupied Kuwait. A State Department spokeswoman says plans are being made to evacuate Americans.

President Bush has flown to Venezuela, the last stop on his tour of South America. Venezuela is rich in oil... a subject that will top his talks. Venezuela wants more U-S investment to increase oil production.

Arizona Governor Rose Mofford says Senator Dennis DeConcini has an ''excellent reputation.'' Mofford testified before a Senate committee considering ethics charges. She said DeConcini's ''word is his bond.''

Power officials in El Salvador say leftist rebels are sabotaging their lines faster than they can repair them. Eight transmission lines were knocked out today. The country has only 44 percent of its normal power today.

The F-B-I and workers of major auto companies gathered in Pontiac, Michigan, today to begin destroyed 50-Million dollars in counterfeit auto parts. They were seized in 40 raids over two and a half years.

An eighth day of deliberations is going on in New York in the second trial connected with an attack on a woman jogger in Central Park. The jurors asked to see a defendant's confession. Until now they focused on another defendant.

The Galileo space probe flies just 600 miles above the Atlantic Ocean tomorrow. It was launched in October 1989 and will use Earth's gravity to put it on a course for Jupiter.

An autograph of ''Shoeless'' Joe Jackson sold in New York today for 23-thousand dollars... a record for a 20th century signature. Jackson was a Chicago White Sox player banned from baseball for throwing the 1919 World Series.

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#90341u2157 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 8) UPI - Friday's NBA Box Scores:

PORTLAND (127)

Kersey 9-14 0-0 18, B. Williams 6-8 8-10 20, Duckworth 4-11 7-7 15, Drexler 9-15 5-5 23, Porter 8-9 1-1 19, Ainge 3-9 2-3 8, Robinson 4-11 3-8 11, Young 0-1 2-2 2, Cooper 1-2 0-0 2, Bryant 1-2 2-2 4, Abdelnaby 0-0 1-4 1, Petrovic 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 47-86 31-42 127.

INDIANA (105)

Person 10-16 0-0 22, Thompson 2-4 1-2 5, Smits 3-5 0-0 5, Fleming 2-8 3-4 7, Miller 4-8 2-2 10, Schrempf 5-5 2-3 13, Sanders 2-5 0-0 4, M. Williams 4-8 3-4 11, Dreiling 3-6 0-0 6, K. Williams 5-8 0-2 10, McCloud 2-4 0-0 5, Wittman 3-5 0-1 6. Totals 45-82 11-18 105.

Portland	38	23	38	28	- 127
Indiana	26	28	26	25	- 105

Three-point shots: Porter, Person 2, Schrempf, McCloud. Fouled out-None. Total Fouls-Portland 18, Indiana 33. Rebounds-Portland 41 (Kersey 9), Indiana 35 (Thompson 7). Assists-Portland 23 (Porter 8), Indiana 20 (Fleming 8). Technical-Portland (illegal defense). A- 10,925.

SEATTLE (100)

McKey 11-18 2-2 24, Kemp 8-16 2-4 18, Cage 1-2 3-4 5, Payton 5-15 0-0 10, Threatt 6-12 4-4 17, Polynice 5-7 0-0 10, McMillan 2-2 0-0 4, Barros 5-11 0-0 12, Dailey 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 43-86 11-14 100.

ORLANDO (106)

Scott 2-6 0-0 4, Catledge 3-10 2-2 8, Kite 4-8 1-7 9, Skiles 5-11 4-4 14, Smith 13-19 7-10 33, Reynolds 6-10 2-3 14, Anderson 5-8 0-2 10, Acres 0-2 2-2 2, Wiley 3-4 0-0 6, Ansley 2-4 1-2 5. Totals 43-82 19-32 106.

Seattle	28	20	27	25--100
Orlando	23	24	31	28--106

Three-point goals-Barros 2, Threatt, Scott 1. Total fouls-Seattle 27, Orlando 14. Rebounds-Seattle 39 (Cage 9), Orlando 39 (Smith 8). Assists-Seattle 22 (Payton 7), Orlando 25 (Skiles 9). Technicals-None. A- 15,077.

PHOENIX (129)

Chambers 5-14 8-11 18, Rambis 4-9 1-1 9, West 4-6 4-6 12, Johnson 5-16 7-7 17, Hornacek 12-16 1-2 28, Perry 7-11 2-2 16, Majerle 5-11 6-8 17, Battle 1-6 2-2 16, Knight 2-4 0-0 2, Ceballos 3-9 0-0 6. Totals 48-102 29-37 129.

NEW JERSEY (110)

Morris 3-7 4-4 10, Haley 5-16 2-2 12, Bowie 11-20 5-7 27, Blaylock 1-5 1-2 3, Theus 5-15 2-3 13, Dudley 4-9 2-2 10, Conner 0-1 0-0 0, Gervin 4-12 2-3 10, Buechler 3-5 2-4 8, Lee 1-4 5-6 8, George 3-7 3-4 9. Totals 40-101 28-37 110.

Three-point goals-Hornacek 3, Majerle, Theus, Lee 1. Fouled out-Morris. Fouls-Phoenix 24, New Jersey 26. Rebounds-Phoenix 54 (Rambis 11), New Jersey 58 (Dudley 13). Assists-Phoenix 23 (Johnson 11), New Jersey 20 (Blaylock 6).

Phoenix	30	34	37	28-129
New Jersey	27	25	25	33-110

Technicals-Phoenix (flagrant foul), Morris. Att-11,0l9.

NEW YORK (98)

Oakley 2-3 7-8 11, Vandeweghe 8-19 4-6 20, Ewing 11-16 1-2 23, Cheeks 4-6 3-4 11, G. Wilkins 5-16 7-9 17, Mustaf 3-5 2-3 8, Quinnett 0-2 0-0 0, E.Wilkins 2-6 0-0 4, Jackson 0-4 0-0 0, Starks 1-2 2-2 4. Totals 36-79 26-34 98.

CHICAGO (108)

Pippen 8-17 1-1 18, Grant 6-11 2-3 14, Cartwright 5-11 1-1 11, Paxson 5-9 2-2 14, Jordan 14-25 5-7 33, Armstrong 4-6 0-0 8, King 2-5 0-0 4, Hopson 1-5 2-2 4 Perdue 1-3 0-0 2, Levingston 0-0 0-0 0, Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Hodges 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 46-92 13-17 108.

New York	28	22	23	25-- 98
Chicago	30	31	22	25--108

Three-point goals-Paxson 2, Pippen. Total fouls-Chicago 25, New York 16. Fouled out-none. Rebounds-New York 42 (Oakley 13), Chicago 48 (Grant 13). Assists-New York 27 (G.Wilkins 10), Chicago 28 (Jordan 9). Technical fouls-none. A-18,676.

MILWAUKEE (104)

Brickowski 6-13 0-0 12, Roberts 3-7 2-2 8, Sikma 8-11 1-2 20, Humphries 9-12 1-2 20, Robertson 4-10 6-6 14, Schayes 2-3 0-0 4, Pierce 3-10 6-6 12, Lohaus 3-6 0-0 8, Grayer 2-6 1-2 5, Anderson 0-3 1-2 1. Totals 40-81 18-22 104.

ATLANTA (103)

Wilkins 8-18 4-5 21, Willis 1-6 0-0 2, Koncak 2-3 1-2 5, Rivers 7-17 9-10 24, Webb 4-7 4-4 12, Battle 6-9 0-0 14, Malone 2-6 4-5 8, Moncrief 2-7 1-1 5, McCormick 6-7 0-0 12. Totals 38-80 23- 27 103.

Milwaukee	29	15	30	30--104
Atlanta	30	29	25	19--103

BOSTON (112)

Bird 2-11 2-4 6, Gamble 7-14 0-2 14, Parish 12-17 2-4 26, Shaw 6-12 0-1 12, Lewis 8-13 7-8 23, McHale 9-13 3-4 21, Brown 4-5 0-0 8, Kleine 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 49-86 14-23 112.

DALLAS (104)

McCray 5-13 7-9 17, English 4-7 0-0 8, Donaldson 6-11 2-2 14, Harper 5-16 12-14 22, Blackman 14-23 6-7 35, Davis 1-3 0-0 2, Williams 2-6 0-0 4, White 1-2 0-0 2, Alford 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 38-83 27-32 104

Boston 26 24 31 31--112
Dallas 23 25 28 28--104

Three-point shots Boston 0-5 (Bird 0-3, Gamble 0-1, McHale 0-1), Dallas 1-8 (Harper 0-4, Blackman 1-3, Alford 0-1). Total fouls-Boston 24, Dallas 20. Fouled out-none. Rebounds-Boston 41 (Parish 14), Dallas 36 (Donaldson 14). Assists-Boston 25 (Bird 11), Dallas 22 (Harper 12). Technicals-none. A- 17,007.

LOS ANGELES (79)

Perkins 5-7 0-0 10, Worthy 8-17 2-2 18, Divac 4-10 1-2 9, Scott 5-12 0-0 11, Johnson 8-15 3-3 20, Thompson 1-5 0-0 2, Teagle 2-7 1-3 5, Green 0-1 0-0 0, Drew 1-4 0-0 2, Campbell 0-0 0-0 0, Thomas 0-0 0-2 0, Smith 0-1 2-2 2. Totals 34-79 9-14 79.

UTAH (101)

K. Malone 10-20 7-7 27, Edwards 2-4 0-0 4, Eaton 2-2 0-0 4, Stockton 8-12 3-3 20, J. Malone 6-16 1-1 13, Bailey 5-9 4-4 14, Rudd 2-4 0-0 4, Griffith 5-9 0-0 11, Brown 0-2 0-0 0, Palmer 0-0 0-0 0, Munk 1-2 2-2 4, Toolson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 41-81 17-17 101.

Los Angeles 23 16 19 21-- 79
Utah 25 29 20 27--101

Three-point goals-Scott, Johnson, Stockton, Griffith. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Los Angeles 16, Utah 15. Rebounds-Los Angeles 40 (Johnson, Thompson 9), Utah 39 (Eaton 13). Assists-Los Angeles 16 (Johnson 9), Utah 28 (Stockton 17). Technical fouls-Los Angeles, illegal defense 2. A-12,616.

DETROIT (110)

Edwards 4-9 0-0 8, Rodman 1-9 0-0 2, Laimbeer 5-10 4-4 14, Dumars 13-21 3-4 29, Thomas 10-19 3-4 23, Salley 0-1 0-0 0, Johnson 1-8 1-2 3, Aguirre 12-20 5-6 29 Rollins 1-1 0-0 2, Blanks 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 47-98 16-20 110.

GOLDEN STATE (113)

Hill 2-3 2-2 6, Mullin 9-13 6-6 25, Lister 4-8 1-3 9, Hardaway 10-19 0-0 22, Richmond 10-16 5-5 25, Tolbert 4-8 2-3 10, Pritchard 2-3 0-0 4, Johnson 2-2 0-0 4, Marciulionis 1-3 0-2 2, Higgins 2-3 1-2 6. Totals 46-78 17-23 113.

Detroit 26 25 26 33--110
Golden State 28 30 30 25--113

Three point goals-Mullin, Hardaway 2, Higgins. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Detroit 23, Golden State 22. Rebounds-Detroit 42 (Rodman 10), Golden State 39 (Hill, Richmond 10). Assists-Detroit 21 (Thomas 7), Golden State 27

(Hardaway 12). Technical fouls-Laimbeer, Detroit assistant coach Suhr.
A-15,025.

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#90341u2163 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 8) UPI - Friday's Sports Transactions:

BASEBALL

Boston - Named John Doherty roving minor-league hitting instructor.

California - Agreed to terms on a 1-year contract with infielder Fred Manrique; offered arbitration to infielder Donnie Hill and outfielder Max Venable.

Chicago (AL) - Declined to offer arbitration to free agent outfielder Phil Bradley.

Detroit - Offered salary arbitration to pitcher Dan Petry.

Houston - Offered arbitration to pitcher Juan Agosto.

Los Angeles - Offered arbitration to pitcher Fernando Valenzuela, second baseman Juan Samuel and infielder Mickey Hatcher.

Milwaukee - Waived infielder Gus Polidor and pitcher Tony Fossas.

New York (AL) - Named Brian Walker assistant director of media relations.

San Diego - Named Tom Ryba director of marketing and promotions; offered arbitration to pitcher Dennis Rasmussen.

Texas - Declined to offer arbitration to free agent pitcher Charlie Hough. Offered arbitration rights to free agent pitcher Craig McMurtry.

BASKETBALL

Quad City (CBA) - Sent guard Kenny Drummond to Grand Rapids to complete a trade.

Seattle - Traded forward Xavier McDaniel to Phoenix for forward Eddie Johnson and first-round draft choices in 1991 and 1993 or 1994.

COLLEGE

Cal State Fullerton - Announced resignations of assistant coaches Dale Bunn and Don Morel and administrative director of football operations Larry Manfull.

Howard - William P. Moultrie resigned as athletic director but will remain as head track coach.

Iowa State - Announced basketball guard David Washington left team.

NAIA - Suspended Arkansas-Pine Bluff football program for 2 years.

New York Tech - Pat Shortt resigned as part-time assistant coach to become scout for the Major League Scouting Bureau. Larry Minor named to replace Shortt.

Purdue - Named Brock Spack, Tony Caviglia and Dino Babers assistant football coaches.

FOOTBALL

Denver - Placed offensive tackle Gerald Perry on reserve-left squad list.

NFL - Fined NY Giants tight end Mark Bavaro $7,500 for bumping an official Nov. 25.

HOCKEY

Detroit - Placed goalie Alain Chevrier on waivers.

OLYMPICS

U.S. Water Polo - Announced Terry Schroeder has returned to play on the national team after two years in retirement.

-30- 2458

#90341u2197 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 7) UPI - The U-S government has made proposals to start removing Americans from Iraq and Kuwait within 24 hours. The State Deparmtent says the acting ambassador in Iraq, Joseph Wilson, asked that some Americans held in Baghdad hotels be allowed to leave today. A spokeswoman says charter flights are being arranged to carry the others out within days. The Iraqi parliament today approved freedom for the estimated six-thousand foreigners in Iraq.

An adviser to Mikhail Gorbachev says the Persian Gulf crisis might have escalated into another Cuban missile crisis if the Cold War were still on. Georgi Arbatov, Gorbachev's adviser on North American affairs, said the United Nations was ''lucky to survive'' the Cold War. He said of the period- ''It was a situation in which every enemy of an enemy became a friend.''

Retailers are cutting prices as if Christmas were already gone. Sears, Toys ''R'' Us and Child World have reduced prices as much as 75 percent. Child

World President Peter Hayes said- ''This is the year Santa Claus came early.'' The reason for the price cuts is slow pre- Christmas sales. Sears spokesman Perry Chlan said the economy, Middle East and warm weather have all kept down sales.

California's insurance commissioner has authorized higher rates for car insurance. The highest raises are expected for drivers with traffic tickets in the past three years. Commissioner Roxani Gillespie said that in general auto rates for bad drivers will rise from five to 40 percent. Rates for most good drivers will drop slightly.

49 years ago today was the day President Franklin Roosevelt said would live in infamy. The Japanese attacked the U-S fleet at Pearl Harbor and the United States was plunged into World War Two. A memorial cerelmony was held at the sunken battleship U-S-S Arizona which carries the remains of 12-hundred mem. 60 flags were raised and lowered through the day, to be flown in each state and territory next year on the 50th anniversary.

Actor Corey Feldman was arrested in Los Angeles last night for driving without a license and then released. Hours later a judge issued an arrest warrant for him. Judge Gordon Ringer issued the warrant upon being informed Feldman violated rules of a live-in drug program he entered in October. The Los Angeles District attorney's office says the 19-year-old actor will surrender next week.

An executive of a major oil company says there is enough oil to last consuming nations through the winter. The exeuctive who asked that he and his company remain anonymous said the U-N deadline to Iraq of January 15th insures there will be NO war before then. He says by that date, all oil supplies needed through March will be loaded on tankers for the United States and other consuming nations.

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#90341u2608 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 7) UPI - The Iraqi Foreign Ministry in Washington says it will have an answer sometime tomorrow to U-S proposals that some Americans be allowed to leave Baghdad quickly. A State Department spokeswoman says the United States is prepared to once again charter Iraqi airplanes to fly from Kuwait to Baghdad and then to Europe. The move follows Iraq's offer to allow all foreign nationals out.

Yet another sign of a weakening economy. The Labor Department says the nation's labor market took a ''substantial and widespread'' hit last month. The unemployment rate rose two-tenths of one percent to five- point-nine percent... the highest level in more than two years. Manufacturing, construction and retail jobs were hardest hit by the greatest monthly job loss since the recession of 1982 and the second consecutive large monthly decline.

President Bush arrived in Venezuela today, the last stop of a South American tour in which the president has promoted free trade and his so- called ''initiative for the Americas.'' Bush's talks with Venezuela's president are expected to concentrate on oil... with Venezuela expected to push for more U-S investment to increase the nation's oil production capability.

The shuttle Columbia astronauts will try to see NASA's Galileo probe tomorrow as the unmanned spacecraft races past Earth. However, the probe may be difficult to see, since it will be more than 21-hundred miles away. The shuttle astronauts today studied the shattered remnants of an exploded star as they work around a computer failure that shut down three of the shuttle's four telescopes yesterday.

A ''cooling-off'' time for 107 nations involved in world trade talks that adjourned today in turmoil in Brussels, Belgium. The discussions will resume early next year in Geneva after becoming hopelessly deadlocked over a dispute on farm subsidies between the United States and the European Community. The agriculture impasse also stalled negotiations in 14 other areas.

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#90341u2888 12/07/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 7) UPI - President Bush says Venezuela's future is one of- in his words- ''prosperity and democracy.'' Bush spoke during a dinner tonight in Venezuela's capital of Caracas. The president winds up a South American tour tomorrow.

Secretary of State Cheney says Iraq's plan to release all hostages will NOT change the U-S troop buildup in the Persian Gulf. Cheney urged other nations to send more troops to the gulf at a meeting of NATO ministers in Belgium.

The nation's third largest tuna canner says it ''wants to set the record straight.'' San Diego-based Bumble Bee has taken out newspaper advertisements to dispute claims that it still buys tuna caught by methods that kill dolphins.

A jury will resume deliberations tomorrow in the trial of two youths charged in the brutal beating and rape of a jogger in New York's Central Park. The panel viewed written and videotaped confessions of a second defendant today.

An optics expert says sunlight shining through a stained-glass window is the cause of an image on a church wall that has drawn thousands to Colfax, California. Many believe the image to be an apparition of the Virgin Mary.

Hartz Mountain Corporation has agreed to pay 45-thousand dollars to settle claims that its flea and tick spray harmed pets. The E-P-A filed a civil complaint against the Harrison, New Jersey, company in January.

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#90341u3013 12/07/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 7) UPI - Venezuela's President Carlos Andres Perez says the stand-off in the Persian Gulf is putting into perspective his nation's importance as an oil producer. Perez spoke at a dinner tonight in Caracas attended by President Bush, saying Venezuela has undergone harsh economic restructuring to encourage trade and foreign investment. Perez told Bush- quote- ''We hope, Mr. President that our expectations are NOT in vain.''

A White House spokesman says the Bush administration welcomes today's vote by Iraq's National Assembly to release all foreigners held in Iraq and Kuwait. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says U-S officials will be meeting with Iraqi Foreign Ministry officials to discuss the logistics of the release. Iraq, however, is NOT saying when the hostages will be freed.

Postal authorities are investigating why as much as 60 tons of priority mail destained for U-S troops in the Middle East is stuck in Alaska. Containers of mail for American soldiers are sitting in snow on the tarmac at the Federal Express terminal at Anchorage International Airport. Postal authorities blame Federal Express, calling it a- quote- ''failure to perform.''

In Alexandria, Virginia, a former Salvadoran intelligence officer was sentenced to six months in jail today for illegally entering the United States. Cesar Joya-Martinez fled to the United States in October 1989, and implicated his government's military in ''death squad'' activities. The former officer's attorney says his client's main fear is getting deported back to El Salvador, where he fears he'll be killed for his claims against the army.

Much of the Gulf Coast was hit today with a variety of foul weather- high winds in Texas, cold in Alabama and rain in Louisiana and Mississippi. In North Carolina, people got an early taste of winter as snow fell in the mountains in the western part of the state. The National Weather Service issued a snow advisory tonight for the area.

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#90342d0650 12/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 8) - Seventeen Americans and 41 Japanese left Baghdad Saturday aboard an Iraqi aircraft chartered by a private U.S. group - the first hostages to leave Iraq since President Saddam Hussein's announcement Thursday that all "guests" could go.

Reporting this from Baghdad, the U.S. television network CNN said the U.S. embassy also chartered an Iraqi Boeing 747 to fly out 400 Americans from Kuwait and Iraq to Frankfurt on Sunday.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, interviewed by another U.S. network, ABC,

said he believed that all "guests" could be flown home by Christmas. There are an estimated 2,000-3,000 foreigners still held in Iraq - mainly Britons and Americans.

Baghdad meanwhile offered its own dates for the high-level contacts recently suggested by U.S. President George Bush. The Iraqi dates included a proposal that Secretary of State James Baker go to Baghdad on January 12.

That date, far later than what Bush had suggested, is just three days before the January 15 deadline set in the United Nations Security Council resolution authorizing use of force against Iraq if it does not withdraw its troops from Kuwait.

The Iraqi leadership made clear it rejected the timetable proposed by Washington for the high-level meetings - around December 20 for a visit by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to Washington, and January 3 for Baker to go to Baghdad.

-30- 1605
#90342d1080 12/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 8) - Driving blizzards paralyzed northwestern England late Saturday, blocking roads and causing traffic jams and accidents.

Authorities called on Britons not to take their cars out unless it was "absolutely necessary," and to take blankets and hot drinks if they did have to drive in the snow storms which hit northern and western England and the Midlands.

Several hundred drivers were trapped in their cars on the roads of the West Midlands, near Birmingham, and rescue workers and the army carried out numerous rescue operations, some using helicopters, to save drivers trapped in their cars. Some five hundred automobilists are expected to pass the night in the Birmingham bus station.

Dozens of secondary roads were blocked by snow and fallen trees, and highways in the north and in the Midlands were closed because of poor visibility. Rail service was severely affected, and airports in Birmingham and the East Midlands were closed.

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#90342d8810 12/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (DEC. 8) - Burma's ruling junta accused U.S. diplomats in Rangoon of interfering in the country's internal affairs but it stopped short of threatening retaliation.

"U.S. diplomats in Rangoon have been abusing diplomatic rights and interfering

in Burmese internal affairs," said military intelligence chief Major General Khin Nyunt, believed to be the behind-the-scenes strongman of the military government. The attack came in a special press conference carried on Burmese radio Friday and monitored here.

Maj. Gen. Khin Nyunt also gave for the first time details about British High Commission (embassy) information officer Nita Yin Yin May who was jailed for three years after a secret trial in Rangoon last month. The embassy officially requested details of the trial and the charges against Mrs. Nita Yin Yin May, but got no immediate response.

On Friday, Maj. Gen. Khin Nyunt accused her of arranging a meeting between Rangoon-based U.S. diplomat Martin Adams and a dissident student leader in Mandalay shortly before the May general elections.

He also said Mrs. Nita Yin Yin May passed on documents to the outside world from pro-democracy groups but he did not say if either of these events were why she was jailed.

Maj. Gen. Khin Nyunt's public attack against the U.S. Embassy, by far the most outspoken since the junta seized power in a bloody coup two years ago, comes a week after a United Nations draft resolution that harshly criticised the government was withdrawn.

Sweden, whose resolution was supported by 20 countries including the 12 members of the European Community and the United States, withdrew it at the request of the Japanese.

Japan had claimed that the resolution could affect a special report on Burma's human rights being prepared by professor Sadako Ogata. Her report is to be delivered to the next U.N. Human Rights Commission meeting early next year.

Burma watchers here were debating whether Friday's attack on diplomats was the opening of a campaign to try and silence them. "The junta has silenced anyone who opposes it through intimidation, arrests and prison. Friday's attack may be the first move to silence the only independent voice left in the country, the embassies," said one observer.

Since the National League for Democracy (NLD) swept the May elections, the junta has refused to hand over power and arrested most of the NLD leaders on the charge of plotting to overthrow the military.

"Blinded by the hunger for power, these people are willing to go to any lengths including violence and illegal means to gain their ends," Maj. Gen. Khin Nyunt said Friday.

Travellers who have recently returned from Burma report there is anger in the country over the government's refusal to hand over power to the NLD. "People I

spoke to are totally opposed to the junta but with the crackdown on all opposition they are afraid to speak out publicly. They know that one wrong word and they will end up being arrested and probably tortured," said one traveller.

Last month Amnesty International, the London-based human rights group, accused the junta of turning the country into a secret state of terror where arrests and torture were commonplace. It described Burma as a country where people live in a climate of fear, knowing that any criticsm of the junta risks immediate arrest.

"The military arrest people anywhere - in homes, buses, cafes - and have relentlessly tortured government critics. Hundreds of people have simply vanished into the prison system," said the Amnesty report.

Amnesty was also highly critical of the military intelligence unit headed by Maj. Gen. Khin Nyunt. He has been described by critics as a shadowy figure who spreads fear throughout the country.

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#90342d8940 12/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (DEC. 8) - The Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip were paralyzed Saturday by a general strike called by Palestinian groups and curfews slapped on most of the regions, Arab and military sources said.

The clandestine Unified Leadership of the Uprising in the territories and the Islamic resistance movement Hamas had each called for a general strike Saturday and Sunday to mark the third anniversary on December 9 of the intifada, or anti-Israeli uprising.

Israeli authorities imposed curfews Friday on a large part of the occupied territories, affecting about a million people, to contain violence and prevent demonstrations ahead of the anniversary. Saturday's general strike also marked the killing by Israeli security forces two months ago of 17 Palestinians at the Temple Mount.

Authorities declared the northern West Bank towns of Ramallah and Tulkarm "closed military zones" and halted access to journalists, military sources said. The army also bolstered its forces and beefed up its presence on all roads from the West Bank and Gaza Strip to Israel proper, they said.

A military spokesman said Saturday that unknown assailants had lobbed a grenade late Friday at an empty office of the military administration in Rafah in the southern Gaza Strip, along the border with Egypt, but that there were no casualties. In Beirut, the Islamic Jihad in Palestine organization claimed the attack, saying sentries at the building were wounded.

#90342d9010 12/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC. 8) - Israel has seized the military and political initiative during the third year of the Palestinian uprising against Israeli occupation, prominent Palestinians concede.

"In 1990, the Isrealis took the initiative and we reacted. What's more, our people have become weary after three continuous years of repression," said Riad Malki, an engineer close to George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

"We often forget that the year was also marked by the massive influx of Soviet Jews who threaten the very existence of Palestinians by setting up home on our land," he added.

But he said "we have brought the battle to Jerusalem which has become, contrary to all Israeli efforts, a flashpoint for the intifada," adding that unity among Palestinian factions had been reinforced in the field.

The intifada, (uprising in Arabic) began in the Gaza Strip on December 9, 1987 a day after an Israeli military truck crashed into two taxis carrying Palestinian workers, killing several of them. Moslem fundamentalists say the uprising was sparked a few days earlier when Israeli authorities killed some of their colleagues.

"Nineteen-ninety was a war of attrition between Israelis and Palestinians, and the latter have lost the initiative," said Sari Nusseibeh, an instructor at the West Bank's Bir Zeit University and who is close to Fatah, the PLO's main component.

Overall, 100 Palestinians suspected of collaborating with the Israelis were killed, while clashes with Israeli authorities left 100 Palestinians dead, a decrease from the two previous years. Palestinian attacks against Israelis rose sharply toward the end of 1990.

Many clashes this year took place in Jerusalem, which had been spared in the past, while attacks on Israelis, although supported by different Palestinian organizations, appeared to be isolated acts.

Palestinians apparently acting alone stabbed to death four Israelis in the wake of the October 8 massacre of 17 Palestinians at the Temple Mount in Jerusalem.

Nusseibeh said the Palestinians mainly failed to combine civil disobedience with the building of a future state. "The strategic error" is that the leaders failed, after a year and a half of clashes, to decree a provisional Palestinian government.

Such a body would bring together all the representatives of Palestinian institutions within the territories and the Palestine Liberation Organization abroad.

Malki said he believes the intifada was not sufficiently coordinated in the last few years. He said he favors "the creation of a wider Palestinian front, allowing institutions to participate in political decisions." Ghassan al-Khatib, a professor close to the Palestinian Communist Party, also stressed the need for the Palestinians to retake the initiative.

The Israeli tactic of imposing endless curfews and making preventive arrests gave the impression during the first six months that the intifada was losing steam.

Then the uprising appeared to regain its momentum. "But in fact it's not the intifada ... which has become violent, but Israeli attempts to crush it that have caused a series of desperate acts by individuals," he said.

Only Dr. Abdel Aziz Rantisi of the Moslem fundamentalist movement Hamas in Gaza said the uprising had been a total success this year. "The intifada has allowed the development of Islam within the Palestinian nation," he said. "People are better Moslems today."

He declined to say if his movement would this year join the Unified Leadership of the Uprising in the Occupied Territories, which groups the main Palestine Liberation Organization factions. Prominent Palestinians also agree that a negotiated settlement to the Gulf crisis would help their cause, while a war could harm it.

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#90342d9040 12/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (DEC. 8) - Veteran labor leader Lech Walesa is the odds-on favorite to win the second and final round of Poland's presidential elections Sunday against Stan Tyminski, a businessman who returned to his homeland after 21 years in Canada.

Latest polls predict that with a turnout of 60 percent of Poland's 27 million voters, the 47-year-old Solidarity leader will win between 58 percent and 73 percent of the vote against 16 percent to 23 percent for his 42-year-old rival who was unknown to the public at large before the campaign began.

The pollsters say, however, that Walesa's margin in these first democratic presidential elections since the end of communism in Poland may be reduced if voter turn-out is smaller than expected.

Political debate in the campaign degenerated into competing promises and

smears. Tyminski accused foreign companies of taking advantage of Poland's ravaged economy and threatened to publicize documents which he claimed would compromise Walesa. Walesa, in turn, accused Tyminski of having had links with the communist old guard and the now disbanded secret police.

Voters made it clear during the campaign, 15 months after the installation of Poland's post-communist government, that they reject the austerity measures imposed with the support of Solidarity's leaders in a bid to catapult Poland into the world free market economy.

The fact that Tyminski has significant, if minority, support demonstrates a crisis in Polish society, according to outgoing Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki.

The powerful Roman Catholic church threw its weight behind Walesa, saying it was abandoning its traditional political neutrality "for the good of the nation."

Walesa also received support in the second round from Mazowiecki, who ran for president but was eliminated in the first round after receiving only 18 percent of the votes, against 23 percent for Tyminski and 40 percent for Walesa. Mazowiecki nevertheless accused the Nobel peace laureate of having destroyed the Solidarity labor grouping and its ideals.

Lech Kaczynski, a close aide to Walesa, excluded any possibility of a coalition government. He said the new prime minister was likely to be 60-year-old lawyer Jan Olszewski.

Outgoing President Wojciech Jaruzelski, 67, is expected to hand over the office to his successor before the end of the year. First results are expected Sunday shortly after voting booths close at 1900 GMT.

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#90342d9280 12/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (DEC. 8) - Forty-one Japanese hostages, authorized to leave Iraq before an announcement that all foreigners would be freed, arrived in the Jordanian capital Saturday aboard an Iraqi Airways flight.

The hostages, 36 of whom had been held in Kuwait and five in Baghdad, were freed with the help of Japanese Senator Antonio Inoki. Inoki arrived at the airport aboard the same flight with a 29-member delegation that had accompanied him to Iraq and 36 spouses of the hostages.

The hostages' departure came a day after the Iraqi parliament ratified a decision by President Saddam Hussein to release all foreigners held since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Japan Airlines said earlier that a JAL DC-10 had left Tokyo Saturday for Amman to pick up the hostages and their family members here. On Saturday, Iraq said all foreigners would be allowed to leave the country aboard Iraqi Airways flights.

Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz on Friday told the U.S. television network ABC that all foreigners - including those in Kuwait, where some are said to be still in hiding - would be allowed to leave Iraq.

-30- 1299

#90342d9570 12/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUESSELDORF, GERMANY (DEC. 8) - Metal-workers in three Laender (states) are sure to strike following the failure of 15 hours of talks between management and the powerful IG Metall labor union, union sources said.

The strike by some 135,000 metal-workers might come as early as Monday, they said, in the Laender of North Rhine-Westphalia, Lower Saxony and Bremen. The steel and metal-working companies are offering a six percent wage increase, retroactive to November 1, and a shift to a 35-hour week all at once, rather than in phases.

IG Metall wants a 9.3 percent wage hike and a reduction in wage differentials between metal-workers and steel-workers. A metal-worker in North Rhine-Westphalia now earns an average of 14.45 Deutsche marks (9.72 dollars) an hour, against 13.22 marks (8.90 dollars) for a steel-worker there.

-30- 1034

#90342d9590 12/08/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (DEC. 8) - Diplomats arriving in Sierra Leone from Monrovia say the Liberian capital is returning to normal after a bloody, year-long civil war, but Liberian radio monitored here urged an end Saturday to a black market in ration coupons.

Special Emergency Life Food program director Blamo Nelson told the Liberian Broadcasting Corporation there was enough food to go round. He urged Liberians to be "orderly and honest" and to give up selling ration coupons.

Food distribution was halted last week as enumerators went house-to-house to register people for ration books in a bid to reduce fraud. That action came amid criticism that distribution of food, including rice, had broken down.

A doctor meanwhile told the radio station that about ten people in Monrovia had died after drinking "unidentified liquor" apparently stolen from a damaged container at Monrovia's port.

The radio quoted Bishop Ronald Diggs, vice president of Liberia's interim

government, as telling Customs officers Friday that the government "does not intend to dismiss former government employees without cause."

The diplomats arriving here said taxis and buses were circulating in Monrovia and that a cease-fire continued to hold. One said traders would return to their stalls in the central market Monday.

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#90342e0028 12/08/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 8) EFE - Sex-symbol Brooke Shields' plans to cheer up U.S. troops in the Gulf this Christmas got a slap in the face when Saudi authorities urged her to withdraw her visa application, a U.S. daily reported Saturday.

Citing unnamed government officials, The Washington Post said Riyadh had asked that the actress-model's visa application be withdrawn since her presence in the strictly Moslem country might cause offense.

The Saudis gave no explanation for the move, the daily said.

Shields, a highly-paid model who starred in the racy love story Blue Lagoon, was to be among a number of entertainers to visit the 250,000 U.S. troops massed in the Gulf region.

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#90342u0019 12/08/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 8) UPI - President Bush arrived at Andrews Air Force Base today after a five- nation South American tour. Bush ended his journey with a brief visit to oil-rich Venezuela, where he received support for the U-S position in the Persian Gulf.

A spokesman for former Texas Governor John Connally says Connally flew out of Baghdad tonight with about 30 Americans. Connally had begun private negotiations with Iraq before Baghdad announced it would free all hostages.

The U-N Security Council voted 9-4 tonight to postpone discussions on whether to hold a Middle East peace conference to settle the Arab- Israeli dispute. The debate at the United Nations will begin again Monday afternoon.

Thousands of Palestinians called on the United Nations to protect Arabs living in the West Bank and Gaza Strip during a march today in Lebanon. Children and the elderly were among the some 40-thousand demonstrators.

In the Israeli-occupied terrorities, the military maintained curfews on dozens of Palestinian curfews while Arabs closed their shops to mark the killing of at least 17 Moslems in Jerusalem two months ago.

Dallas residents turned down a voting plan today designed to ensure more minority representation on the city council. Complete but unofficial returns show the proposed ''14-1'' plan lost by just 369 votes out of 90-thousand cast.

Actress Joan Bennett is dead at 80. Bennett was a blonde ingenue of the 1930s who became a sultry, husky-voiced brunette of the 1940s who played opposition such stars as Ronald Colman and John Barrymore. Bennett died yesterday in her suburban New York home.

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#90342u0149 12/08/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 8) UPI - Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the threat of war ''still exists as strong as ever.'' But Fitzwater adds that the latest developments are an indication that U-N resolutions against Iraq have placed- in Fitzwater's words- ''a new degree of pressure and urgency on Saddam Hussein.''

At the United Nations Friday, the United States and NON-aligned countries failed to agree on a draft resolution on the Israeli-occupied terrorities. The negotiations will resume Saturday... with NON-align nations calling for an international peace conference on the Arab- Israeli dispute in Middle East.

In China, witnesses say an explosion apparently caused by a bomb destroyed a crowded bus in the capital of Sichuan province. Witnesses say the apparent bombing Friday killed at least two people. Westerners in the city say there are widespread reports that the death toll may be more than 30.

Venezuela's foreign minister says it's clear- in his words- ''the increase in world oil prices is causing a severe recession in the United States.'' The minister says Washington will have to show its sincerity in maintaining Venezuela as a secure source of oil. President Bush is now visiting Venezuela.

Manufacturing, construction and retail jobs were all hard hit as the nation's unemployment rate rose two-tenths of one percent to five-point- nine percent last month. The latest sign of a weakening economy marks the highest unemployment level the nation has seen in more than two years.

The 10th anniversary of John Lennon's slaying will be observed quietly tomorrow... with NO special commemoration planned in New York. Fans of the former Beatle customarily visit the Central Park garden created by Lennon's wife NOT far from where Lennon was fatally shot by a former mental patient.

-30- 1975
#90342u0167 12/08/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 8) UPI - NHL Standings:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	17	11	5	39	124	99
Philadelphia	17	12	2	36	113	97
New Jersey	15	11	4	34	118	102
Washington	17	14	0	34	106	95
Pittsburgh	12	14	3	27	118	114
NY Islanders	9	16	2	20	75	106

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	15	9	4	34	93	88
Montreal	15	13	3	33	97	98
Hartford	12	13	4	28	85	93
Buffalo	10	11	7	27	87	88
Quebec	6	19	6	18	87	135

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	19	9	2	40	101	73
St. Louis	16	9	3	35	97	79
Detroit	13	11	4	30	107	111
Minnesota	8	16	6	22	81	101
Toronto	7	23	1	15	83	136

SMYTHE DIVISION

Los Angeles	16	7	4	36	113	85
Calgary	16	10	4	36	126	97
Vancouver	13	13	3	29	93	100
Edmonton	11	14	2	24	84	81
Winnipeg	9	17	5	23	101	111

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#90342u0176 12/08/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 8) UPI - Friday's NHL Scoring Summaries:

Vancouver	1	0	1	0	--2
Pittsburgh	1	0	1	0	--2

First period-1, Pittsburgh, Recchi 15 (Brown, Coffey), 12:10. 2, Vancouver, Bradley 9 (Guy, Sandlak), 18:18. Penalties-Gibson, Van, 15:13.

Second period-No scoring. Penalties-Dineen, Pit, double minor, 3:00; Stanton,

Pit, 12:28; Larionov, Van, 18:56.

Third period-3, Vancouver, Larionov 4 (Adams), 2:39. 4, Pittsburgh, Stevens 17 (Cullen, Zalapski), 15:34. Penalties-Linden, Van, 7:21.

Overtime-No scoring. Penalties-none.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 9-11-5-1-26. Pittsburgh 11-5-11-3-30.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 3-0. Pittsburgh 3-0.

Goaltenders-Vancouver, McLean. Pittsburgh, Pietrangelo. A-16,164.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

NY Rangers	1	1	1	--3
Edmonton	0	1	3	--4

First period-1, New York, King 3 (Hull, Leetch), 16:41. Penalties-Gelinas, Edm, 2:53; Rochefort, NYR, 9:04; Turcotte, NYR, 17:11; Linseman, Edm, 17:11.

Second period-2, New York, Sheppard 12 (Mullen, Leetch), pp, 2:16. 3, Edmonton, Murphy 8 (Gelinas, Huddy), 10:50. Penalties-Brown, Edm, :23; Mullen, NYR, 12:35; Brown, Edm, 17:09; Gartner, NYR, 18:00.

Third period-4, Edmonton, Simpson 13 (Messier, Tikkanen), pp, 5:34. 5, Edmonton, Murphy 10 (Linseman, Muni), 13:27. 6, Edmonton, Anderson 7 (Simpson) pp, 16:27. 7, New York, Gartner 16 (Mallette), 16:41. Penalties-Hull, NYR, 5:12; S. Smith, Edm, 8:33; Leetch, NYR, 14:51.

Shots on goal-New York 8-11-7-26. Edmonton 13-13-6-32.

Power-play conversions-New York 4-1. Edmonton 5-2.

Goalies-New York, Vanbiesbrouck. Edmonton, Ranford. A-17,135.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

St. Louis	3	1	2	--6
Detroit	2	0	1	--3

First period-1, Detroit, Burr 12 (Carson), 1:48. 2, Detroit, Yzerman 15 (Burr, Racine), 6:52. 3, St. Louis, Hull 28 (Ronning), 8:00. 4, St. Louis, Featherstone 2 (Hull, Brown), pp, 10:59. 5, St. Louis, Hull 29 (Ronning, MacLean), pp, 15:44. Penalties-Kocur, Det, 3:14; Shank, Det, 9:31; Shank, Det, 13:47; Chiasson, Det, 14:18; Detroit bench (served by Ysebaert), 19:57.

Second period-6, St. Louis, Snepsts 1 (Momesso, Brind'Amour), 8:10. Penalties-

Featherstone, StL, minor-major (fighting), 2:24; McKay, Det, major (fighting), 2:24; Snepsts, StL, 4:27; P. Cavallini, StL, 9:44; Kocur, Det, 9:44.

Third period-7, Detroit, Garpenlov 12, pp, 1:45. 8, St. Louis, Sutter 6 (Brown Bassen), 7:14. 9, St. Louis, Sutter 7 (Courtnall, Brown), 7:24.
Penalties-Wilson, StL, 0:29; Kocur, Det, 12:18.

Shots on goal-St. Louis 11-9-11-31. Detroit 8- 9-7-24.

Power-play conversions-St. Louis 6-2. Detroit 3-1.

Goaltenders-St. Louis, Riendeau. Detroit, Cheveldae. A-19,875.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Hartford	0	1	2	1--4
Buffalo	1	0	2	0--3

First period-1, Buffalo, Hartman 2 (Wells), 1:57. Penalties-Kastelic, Har, major (fighting), 3:00; Andersson, Har, 3:00; Miller, Buf, major (fighting), 3:00; Wells, Buf, 5:16; Samuelsson, Har, 14:24; Vaive, Buf, 14:42; Young, Har, 19:55.

Second period-2, Hartford, Krygier 5 (Verbeek), 13:39. Penalties-Cote, Har, 1:02; Verbeek, Har, 11:12; Sejba, Buf, 15:13.

Third period-3, Hartford, Verbeek 15 (Krygier, Francis), 12:40. 4, Buffalo, Wells 1 (Mogilny), 13:40. 5, Buffalo, Hawerchuk 6 (Kennedy, Malarchuk), 19:12. 6, Hartford, Verbeek 16 (unassisted), 19:30. Penalties-Verbeek, Har, 14:01; Foligno, Buf, 14:01.

Overtime-7, Hartford, Young 5 (Cyr), 0:53. Penalties-Wells, Buf, gross misconduct, 0:53.

Shots on Goal-Hartford 6-8-8-2-24. Buffalo 11-9-13-0-33.

Power-play conversions-Hartford 3-0. Buffalo 5-0.

Goaltenders-Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. Buffalo, Malarchuk. A-15,669.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

New Jersey	1	0	1-2
Washington	0	3	2-5

First period-1, New Jersey, Conacher 4 (Morris, Brown), 13:02.
Penalties-Stewart, N.J., 0:37; Shanahan, N.J., 18:53; Pivonka, Wash, 18:53.

Second period-2, Washington, Ciccarelli 2 (Tatarinov, Hunter), 6:08. 3, Washington, Bondra 10 (Tatarinov, Johansson), pp, 15:41. 4, Washington, Ridley 7 (unassisted), sh, 17:18. Penalties-Albelin, N.J., 2:36; Johansson, Wash, 11:44; MacLean, N.J., 13:51; Pivonka, Wash, 16:53.

Third period-5, New Jersey, Stewart 4 (Boschman, Weinrich), 6:28. 6, Washington, Ridley 8 (Miller), sh, 9:47. 7, Washington, Ridley 9 (Tatarinov), pp, 17:00. Penalties- Maltais, Wash, 6:50; Rouse, Wash, 9:17; Norwood, N.J., 12:06; Daneyko, N.J., 14:38; Burke, (served by Muller), N.J., 16:11; MacLean, N.J., 16:11; Pivonka, Wash, 16:11.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 8-8-13-29. Washington 7-11-15-33.

Power-plays conversions-New Jersey 4-0. Washington 6-2.

Goaltenders-New Jersey, Burke. Washington, Beaupre. A-16,620.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

Quebec	1	3	1-5
Calgary	0	0	3-3

First period-1, Quebec, Morin 2 (Gillis, Leschyshyn), 7:50. Penalties-M. Hunter, Cgy, 8:40; Hough, Que, 15:58.

Second period-2, Quebec, Sakic 18 (McKegney), 0:35. 3, Quebec, Leschyshyn 2 (Sundin, Fogarty), pp, 4:52. 4, Quebec, McKegney 12 (Fogarty, Sundin), pp, 14:24. Penalties-M. Hunter, Cgy, major (high-sticking), game misconduct, 3:00; Sabourin, Cgy, 12:23; Finn, Que, double-minor, 19:19; Roberts, Cgy, double-minor, 19:19; Leschyshyn, Que, 19:25.

Third period-5, Calgary, Fleury 17 (Gilmour, MacInnis), pp, 5:30. 6, Calgary, Otto 10 (Gilmour, Priakin), 7:52. 7, Calgary, Gilmour 5 (unassisted), 11:33. 8 Quebec, McKegney 13 (Sundin, Sakic), pp, 19:15. Penalties-Cirella, Que, 3:38; Loiselle, Que, 4:40; Makarov, Cgy, 18:10; Loiselle, Que, 19:50; Roberts, Cgy, double-minor, 19:50.

Shots on goal-Quebec 10-12-5-27. Calgary 5- 12-19-36.

Power-play conversions-Quebec 7-3. Calgary 4-1.

Goalies-Quebec, Tugnutt. Calgary, Vernon. Attendance-19,790.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

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(DEC. 8) UPI - Saturday's Sports Calendar:

BASKETBALL

Denver at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Atlanta, 8 p.m.
Cleveland at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Houston at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Boston at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Utah at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Detroit at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

BOXING

Mike Tyson vs. Alex Stewart at Atlantic City, N.J.

GOLF

LPGA World Match Play Championship, Maui, Hawaii
PGA Team Championsip, Wellington, Fla.
GTE Kaanapali GC (Seniors), Lahaina, Hawaii.

HOCKEY

Boston at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Hartford, 7:35 p.m.
Washington at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.
Philadelphia at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.
Chicago at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Detroit at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Winnipeg at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

SOCCER

Wichita at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Dallas at Kansas City, 8:35 p.m.

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(DEC. 8) UPI - Is there anyone in the NBA who can stop the Portland Trailblazers? Portland, the hottest team in the league, rolled through Indianapolis Friday night and had little trouble disposing of the Pacers, 127-105, to improve its record to a league-best 17-1.

"Our guys are playing a very focused game right now," said Portland Coach Rick

Adelman. "These guys are playing as good as they can play and we are ready to play with the best."

The Trailblazers get a test Saturday against Michael Jordan and the red-hot Chicago Bulls, who won their seventh straight game by beating the New York Knicks 108-98. Chicago is 5-2 at home this season.

The Trailblazers fell behind 12-8 early, then scored ten of the next 12 points to take a 18-14 lead and never trailed again. They opened their largest lead at 119-93 on a Buck Williams layup with 3:36 remaining.

Clyde Drexler paced the Blazers with 23 points while Chuck Person scored 22 for the Pacers, who fell to 7-12. Indianapolis sank just 11 of 18 free throws compared with 31 of 42 for Portand. "If we would have gotten the home whistle tonight, it might have been the difference," said Indiana coach Dick Versace.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

In other games, Milwaukee edges Atlanta 104-103, Orlando topped Seattle 106-100, Phoenix knocked off New Jersey 129-110, Philadelphia beat Denver 135-126, Boston won at Dallas 112-104, Utah ended the Los Angeles Lakers' eight-game win streak with a 101-79 win, and Golden State handled defending champion Detroit 113-110.

Bucks 104, Hawks 103

In Atlanta, Fred Roberts' 19-footer at the buzzer lifted Milwaukee. Atlanta led by 12 early in the fourth quarter, but Milwaukee tied the score at 100-100 with a minute left. Sidney Moncrief hit a three-pointer for Atlanta, Jay Humphries answered with a jumper for the Bucks and Roberts followed with the game winner. Bucks assistant coach Frank Hamblen filled in for head coach Del Harris, who was out with the flu.

Bulls 108, Knicks 98

In Chicago, Jordan scored 33 points and ignited the decisive spurt at the end of the first half to send Chicago to its seventh straight victory. New York was within 51-49 when Chicago responded with a 10-1 surge over the last 2:55 of the second quarter to gain control. The loss was the second straight for new Knicks head coach John MacLeod.

Celtics 112, Mavericks 104

In Dallas, Robert Parish scored 26 points for the Celtics, who hold an 18-3 series lead over Dallas. Boston shot 57 percent in the first half for a 50-48 halftime edge and led by at least five points the rest of the way. The Mavericks have lost four straight and nine of their last 11 since Roy Tarpley and Fat Lever were sidelined with knee injuries.

Jazz 101, Lakers 79

At Salt Lake City, John Stockton's 20 points and 17 assists helped Utah snap the Lakers' eight game win streak. The Lakers were held to their lowest output of the season. The Jazz are 9-1 when holding teams under 100 points, have won eight of their last nine games, and have held opponents under 80 points in three of their last seven.

76ers 135, Nuggets 126

In Philadelphia, Charles Barkley's 40 points and season-high 22 rebounds enabled the 76ers to win their third straight game. Denver dropped to 0-9 on the road, one of only two teams in the NBA that is winless away from home. The 76ers never trailed and led by as many as 19 points. Orlando Woolridge led Denver with 36 points.

Suns 129, Nets 110

At East Rutherford, N.J., Jeff Hornacek scored 28 points and Tom Chambers added 18 to help Phoenix snap a three-game losing streak. Phoenix blew the game open in the third period, outscoring New Jersey 37-25 to lead 101-77 entering the fourth quarter. New Jersey played without forward Derrick Coleman out with a strained left ankle.

Magic 106, SuperSonics 100

In Orlando, Otis Smith matched a career-best 33 points and the Magic hit 12 of 14 free throws in the fourth period. Smith's dunk with 3:47 left gave the Magic a 93-92 lead and they never trailed again. Seattle made its first appearance after dealing veteran forward Xavier McDaniel to Phoenix for forward Eddie Johnson and two first-round draft picks.

Warriors 113, Pistons 110

In Oakland, Chris Mullin, Tim Hardaway and Mitch Richmond combined for 72 points, but Detroit's Isiah Thomas missed a game-tying shot at the buzzer that preserved the Golden State victory. It was Detroit's fourth straight loss. With the Warriors ahead by three, Joe Dumars intentionally missed the second of two free throw attempts. Thomas got the long rebound but missed a shot from three-point range as time ran out. Dumars, Mark Aguirre and Thomas accounted for 81 points.

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(DEC. 8) UPI - Only one thing could have improved on Indiana's victory Friday night: To have it be the last game of the NCAAs instead of an early-season

tournament. Calbert Cheaney scored 19 points and sparked two key runs, leading Indiana to a 101-64 thrashing of Niagara in the opening game of the 17th Indiana Classic.

The victory was Indiana's 33rd straight in the event, in which the Hoosiers have never lost a game. Indiana goes for its 17th straight title Saturday night against San Diego, which rolled to a 75-51 victory over North Carolina-Wilmington in the other first round game.

Pat Holbert scored ten of his game-high 19 points in a decisive first-half run that allowed San Diego to defeat NC-Wilmington.

"The only thing I would find to be a little bit displeased about was Niagara really attacked the basket well in the latter part of the game," Indiana Coach Bobby Knight said. "We made defensive errors and we started trading points at that time. I didn't like to see that. We played too well to get to that point in the game and get sloppy."

Cheaney scored eight points for the Hoosiers in a 13-1 run that lasted 4:44 and left Indiana ahead 25-10 with 5:27 remaining in the first half. The Hoosiers extended their halftime advantage to 41-22. By then Niagara Coach Jack Armstrong was convinced how good Cheaney was.

"I would love to coach Calbert Cheaney. I think the guy is a terrific player," he said. "Indiana did a terrific job in the first half with its man-to-man defense. They took away our entry pass on the wing."

Cheaney sank a jump shot and consecutive 3-point shots to lead a 19-2 run early in the second half that boosted Indiana's advantage to 60-26 with 15:20 to play. Reserves later added a string of 12 straight points to earn their largest lead at 84-43 against the overmatched Purple Eagles.

Pat Graham added 16 for Indiana and Greg Graham contributed 14. David Bertram led Niagara with 13 points.

In other games, No. 4 Syracuse poundeed Alaska-Anchorage 103-85, New Mexico downed No. 21 New Mexico State 94-88, Illinois routed Oregon State 112-78, and Penn gunned down Navy 73-61.

At Syracuse, N.Y., Billy Owens and Conrad McRae each scored 16 points and the 6-0 Orangemen never trailed against the Division II Seawolves, who fell to 4-4. Syracuse led by as much as 25 points in the second half. The Seawolves were led by forward Jackie Johnson with 22 points and guard Mark Lenoir with 18.

At Albuquerque, Luc Longley scored 24 points, leading four other teammates in double figures and helping New Mexico knock No. 21 New Mexico State from the unbeaten ranks. Longley, 7-foot-2, led all scorers as well as pulling down 13

rebounds in lifting the Lobos to 6-1. Tracey Ware was high for the Aggies, 5-1 with 20 points with Ron Putzi and Randy Brown scoring 17 each.

At Champaign, Ill., Andy Kaufmann scored 24 points and Deon Thomas 22, leading Illinois to the rout in the first round of the Illini Classic. Defense was the key for the Fighting Illini, 5-3, who forced 20 turnovers and allowed the Beavers, 1-1, to shoot just 44 percent from the field.

At Philadelphia, Ken Graf scored 19 points, including five three-pointers to lead Penn, 2-3, which also received 15 points from Paul McMahon, while senior center Vince Curran scored 14 points with 12 rebounds. The Midshipmen, 2-4, were led by Eddie Reddick, who scored 24 points, 17 in the second half.

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(DEC. 8) UPI - Harold Snepsts has scored his annual goal. Snepsts, playing in his 999th career NHL game, scored his first goal of the season Friday night in Detroit, and Brett Hull and Rich Sutter each tallied two goals to help the St. Louis Blues end a six-game winless streak with a 6-3 victory over the Red Wings.

"We were talking about how much we admired the way (retired New York Islanders star) Mike Bossy could get his shot off, but Brett gets his shot off quicker than Bossy's," said Snepsts, a defenseman who has scored a total of 38 goals in 17 NHL seasons. "He comes out early and the goals come in bunches for him. I score in bunches, too - one a season."

Hull, who leads the NHL with 29 goals, scored twice in the first period. Snepsts scored at 8:10 of the second period to give St. Louis a two-goal advantage.

Detroit cut the lead to 4-3 at 1:45 of the third period when Johan Garpenlov received credit for a power-play goal that Blues defenseman Scott Stevens put into his own net. Referee Don Koharski initially ruled no goal, but he reversed his decision after conferring with the linesmen and goal judge. The game was delayed several minutes while the Blues argued the ruling.

"When you score to cut the lead to one goal you have the momentum," said Detroit Coach Bryan Murray. "Because of the conference we didn't have a chance to take the emotion and carry it anyplace." Sutter sealed the victory for the Blues when he scored ten seconds apart midway through the third period.

Shawn Burr and Steve Yzerman each scored in the first period to give Detroit a 2-0 lead. St. Louis began its comeback on Hull's first goal. Glen Featherstone tied the score with a power-play goal at 10:59 that ended an 0-for-24 string of man-advantage chances for the Blues.

"Our specialty teams have been hurting us of late," said Snepsts. "We didn't score on 24 straight power plays and during that time we gave up three short-handed goals. It makes a difference when you give goals away without getting anything back."

The Red Wings also have been struggling on the power play, scoring only once in their last 17 opportunities. "We refuse to shoot the puck," Murray said. "Nobody's going to the net. There's no confidence there. We're setting up plays, but we don't shoot the puck. It's become a real issue now. All we can do is hope somebody takes charge and scores a couple goals."

-- AROUND THE NHL --

In other games, Vancouver tied Pittsburgh 2-2, Hartford beat Buffalo 4-3 in overtime, Washington defeated New Jersey 5-2, Quebec took Calgary 5-3, and Edmonton edged the New York Rangers 4-3.

Canucks 2, Penguins 2

At Pittsburgh, Kevin Stevens scored with 5:26 left to lift the Penguins to the tie. Stevens picked up the rebound of a shot off the boards by John Cullen about 15 feet in the slot and fired the puck by goaltender Kirk McLean for his 17th goal.

Whalers 4, Sabres 3, OT

At Buffalo, N.Y., Scott Young scored 53 seconds into overtime to lift the Whalers. Young picked up a loose puck in the slot and fired a 10- foot wrist shot past Buffalo goaltender Clint Malarchuk. Hartford's Pat Verbeek had scored his second goal of the game with 30 seconds left in regulation time to tie the game.

Capitals 5, Devils 2

At Landover, Md., Mike Ridley scored three goals, including two short-handed tallies, to power the Capitals. The triumph moved Washington into a third-place tie in the Patrick Division with the Devils. The loss snapped New Jersey's six-game unbeaten streak.

Nordiques 5, Flames 3

At Calgary, Tony McKegney scored twice and added an assist to pace Quebec. McKegney's second power-play goal in the final minute ended Calgary's comeback hopes after the Flames had cut the lead to one goal after trailing 4-0.

Oilers 4, New York Rangers 3

At Edmonton, Joe Murphy's second goal of the game in the third period sparked

the Oilers to their fourth straight victory and helped them vacate last place in the Symthe division. The slumping Rangers are now winless in their last three games.

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CORPUS CHRISTI, TX (DEC. 8) UPI - A newspaper reporter has been jailed for refusing to answer questions about her interviews with a murder suspect, and an appeals court denied a request to free the journalist on bond.

State District Judge Eric Brown ruled Friday that Libby Averyt, 26, a reporter for the Corpus Christi Caller-Times, was in contempt of court and ordered her confined to the Nueces County Jail. The judge held that the interests of a fair trial outweighed Averyt's First Amendment guarantees to freedom of the press.

A lawyer for the newspaper, Jorge Rangel, immediately appealed the ruling to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals in Austin, and asked the higher court to allow Averyt's release on bond while the case was pending.

But the court late Friday denied Rangel's request that Averyt be freed. Caller-Times executive editor Larry Rose vowed to pursue every legal avenue to back his reporter.

"It's our position that we don't want any reporter to be used as the investigative arm of any attorneys," Rose said. "Libby herself has said she doesn't want to go to jail, but she believes she has to stand up for what she believes in."

Her imprisonment marks the second time this year a reporter in Texas has been jailed for refusing to answer questions about an interview of a murder suspect.

San Antonio television station KMOL reporter Brian Karem was jailed 13 days earlier this year for refusing to turn over his notes to defense attorneys and prosecutors, who wanted to know who helped him arrange a telephone interview with a suspect. He only was freed when the sources came forward, freeing Karem from his promise not to reveal their names.

In Averyt's case, a defense lawyer for capital murder suspect Jermarr Arnold wanted information Averyt supposedly obtained in an interview but did not publish in articles that appeared in the Caller-Times Nov. 4 and Nov. 5.

In the articles, Arnold was quoted as saying he shot Corpus Christi jewelry store clerk Christina Marie Sanchez during a 1983 robbery and that he believes he deserves the death penalty. Arnold asked the reporter to interview him.

"The reason Libby's in jail is because she did such a good job of reporting,

and the reporting she did was at the invitation of the defendant," Rose said.

Averyt at hearings Thursday and Friday refused to answer questions, saying unpublished information was privileged under freedom-of-the-press clauses of the U.S. and Texas constitutions. But Brown held the privilege was not absolute, saying in this case the right to a fair trial outweighed free press rights.

Averyt told reporters after Thursday's hearing she did not want to go to jail, but believed she had no choice. "If every time I interview someone, the entire conversation could be scrutinized by attorneys, then significantly fewer people would be willing to talk to me. And if they will not talk to me, then I cannot fulfill my role as a reporter and inform the public," Averyt was quoted as saying.

"Also, I would be less eager to pursue stories such as this if I thought that every time I did so, I could be questioned freely by attorneys about my interviews with a person," she said. Meanwhile, lawyers completed jury selection Friday, and Arnold's capital murder trial was scheduled to begin Wednesday.

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BARI, ITALY (DEC. 8) UPI - An explosion believed caused by a gas heating system badly damaged the two top floors of a seven-story apartment building, injuring 21 residents, one of them seriously, police said Saturday.

The explosion took place in a sixth-floor apartment shortly before midnight Friday, causing the partial collapse of apartments on the sixth and seventh floors and damaging some apartments on the floor below, fire service officials said.

Scores of firemen and police worked in pouring rain to evacuate the top floors of the building on the outskirts of Bari, a seaport in southeastern Italy.

Ambulances rushed the injured men, women, and children to two city hospitals, but most of them were allowed to go home after treatment for cuts and bruises. Doctors reported Giuseppe Gernone, 17, was in serious condition and reserved their prognosis.

Fire service experts said the explosion was apparently caused by a new methane heating system, installed in the building only a few days ago and put into operation Friday morning.

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(DEC. 8) UPI - The State Department says it will pull its staff out of the embassy in Kuwait. The embassy has been a symbol of U-S defiance against Iraq. The department went out of its way to avoid the impression it is negotiating with Iraq.

At least two people were killed in an explosion on a crowded bus in the capital of Sichuan province in central China Friday. It apparently was caused by a bomb.

Non-OPEC oil producers meeting in Mexico have vowed to cooperate more with OPEC countries to stabilize oil markets. The non-OPEC nations produce 37 Million barrels a day... compared to 23-Million for OPEC countries.

Soviet Presidnet Mikhail Gorbachev says state-run businesses are as much to blame for Soviet economic crisis as the government. Gorbachev defended his policy from attacks by state enterprise bosses.

Up to 60 tons of priority mail destined for U-S troops in the Middle East is stuck at Anchorage International Airport in Alaska. It is outside in freezing cold and snow. The Postal Service blames Federal Express which has a contract to mail it across the Pacific.

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(DEC. 8) UPI - NBA Standings:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	15	3	.833	-
Philadelphia	13	6	.684	2 1/2
New York	7	10	.412	7 1/2
New Jersey	7	11	.389	8
Washington	6	12	.333	9
Miami	5	12	.294	9 1/2

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	13	5	.722	-
Detroit	13	6	.684	1/2
Chicago	12	6	.667	1
Cleveland	10	9	.526	3 1/2
Charlotte	8	9	.471	4 1/2
Indiana	7	12	.368	6 1/2
Atlanta	6	11	.353	6 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	9	5	.643	-
Utah	11	7	.611	-
Houston	10	8	.556	1
Dallas	6	10	.375	4
Minnesota	6	12	.333	5
Orlando	5	14	.263	6 1/2
Denver	3	15	.167	8

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	17	1	.944	-
Golden State	12	7	.631	5 1/2
LA Lakers	10	6	.625	6
Phoenix	9	7	.562	7
LA Clippers	9	8	.529	7 1/2
Seattle	5	11	.312	10
Sacramento	3	13	.188	13

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(DEC. 8) UPI - Many Americans awoke Saturday to chilly air that dipped into Dixie, drove the mercury below freezing in New Mexico and Arkansas, and colored the ground white with frost in West Virginia and Maryland.

The National Weather Service released its list of before-dawn temperatures, and many big cities had readings of 32 degrees and below: Albuquerque, N.M., 25; Nashville, Tenn., 25; Little Rock, Ark., 32; Cincinnati, Ohio, 27; Pittsburgh, Pa., 30; and Las Vegas, Nev., 33.

The weather service said the ground turned white in patches of western Mayland and eastern West Virginia because of thick frost that came as temperatures settled into the mid- to lower 20s.

Morning fog was reported in places across the country. It was particularly dense in the Kanawha Valley of western West Virginia. Visibility was reduced to near zero in the capital city of Charleston and its surroundings. Ice particles formed in the fog and motorists were advised to use caution.

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#90342u0273 12/08/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 8) UPI - High-level meetings between Iraq and the United States will begin the second half of December and culminate with a visit by Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad the first week in January, news reports said Saturday.

Meanwhile, Iraq indicated it would only allow chartered Iraqi airliners to fly hostages home when it refused a British Airways plane permission to land in Baghdad late Friday.

The British plane, diverted to neighboring Jordan, had been dispatched from London Friday following an Iraqi National Assembly vote lifting travel restrictions on all foreigners in Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

The United States was prepared to charter Iraqi planes to fly hostages from Kuwait and has urged Iraq to dispense with exit visas and passport requirements to avoid bureaucratic delays, State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said.

Also the United States, departing from its previous diplomatic stance, has announced it will vacate the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait once all U.S. hostages held in the emirate invaded Aug. 2 by Iraq are allowed to leave.

The State Department had previously insisted its diplomats remain in place indefinitely to assist U.S. nationals trapped in Kuwait and as a sympolic repudiation of Iraq's annexation of its neighbor.

Egypt's semi-official Middle East News Agency, in a report Saturday based on high-level diplomatic sources in Baghdad, said an Iraqi delegation led by Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz would arrive in Washington in the second half of December for meetings with President Bush.

It said Baker would then fly to Baghdad the first week of January ahead of a U.N.-imposed Jan. 15 deadline on Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait or face a confrontation with U.S.-led troops deployed in the Persian Gulf region.

State Department spokeswoman Tutwiler reportedly said Iraq had proposed Aziz come to the White House on Dec. 17. But Tutwiler, according to the Washington Post, said the United States had not yet agreed.

Meanwhile, Aziz appeared on ABC television's "Nightline" Friday and reportedly said the State Department had proposed he come to Washington Dec. 20-22 and Baker go to Iraq on Jan. 3. Aziz said Iraq would respond soon.

Bush had called for direct meetings with Iraq after the U.N. vote more than a week ago to authorize use of force in the gulf, and Iraq accepted with the condition the Palestinian question also be on the agenda.

The release of all hostages held as shields against attack would meet one of three U.N. conditions for peacefully resolving the four-month-old crisis, but White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater told reporters traveling with Bush in South America that the threat of war "still exists as strong as ever."

Baghdad has given no formal indication of exactly when and how the estimated 6,000 Westerners and Japanese remaining involuntarily in Kuwait and Iraq will be permitted to return home. Aziz, in the television interview, said he hoped the hostages would be free by Christmas, saying, "I think that by Christmas, everybody could leave."

The State Department and the British Foreign Office have advised citizens who remained in hiding in the two gulf nations to stay out of sight until the details of their release were made clearer. But Aziz said the foreigners no longer "have to be in ... hiding." "They can appear and leave the city of Kuwait, or come to Baghdad and take the plane from Baghdad," he said.

Tutwiler said if all Americans in Kuwait are freed as promised, the remaining staff of the U.S. Embassy there would be vacated, but the embassy would not be formally closed.

Ten diplomats and about 15 others have been holed up inside the compound since mid-August, living on canned tuna and rice and forced to boil water from the embassy swimming pool for cooking, drinking, and bathing.

Wilson has pressed Iraq to permit American diplomats to freely enter and leave the embassy so they can assist with the departures, and has asked that water, electricity, and fuel be restored to the compound, Tutwiler said.

She said the decision to vacate the embassy was made because its primary function will have been fulfilled once the Americans it was assigned to stay in contact with leave. In a previous statement during the gulf crisis, Tutwiler said the diplomats at the embassy "will return when the legitimate government of Kuwait returns."

Aziz said if the embassy is vacated, the United States "will be given all the guarantees they are asking for. The building will be secure and there would be no problem about that ...."

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(DEC. 8) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

State-run Sichuan Television reports two people died in an explosion that destroyed a crowded bus in the capital of Sichuan province in central China. But Westerners living in the city say there are widespread reports that the death toll from the apparent bombing may actually be more than 30.

President Bush is in Venezuela, the last stop of a South American tour in which Bush has promoted free trade, investment and debt reduction. Bush will today meet with Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez... while awaiting the

promised release of American hostages in Iraq and occupied Kuwait.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir ended a one-day visit to Britain yesterday and headed to New York, while calling on the United Nations NOT to reward Iraq if it frees hostages. Shamir describes the Iraqi plan typical of-quote- ''people who use blackmail.'' Shamir will talk with President Bush Tuesday.

Sears, Toys ''R'' Us and Child World are among the retailers slashing prices to post-Christmas clearance levels in the hopes of increasing sales. The economy and the Persian Gulf crisis are blamed for lagging sales at a time when retailers normally chalk up 20 percent of their annual profits.

A radical anti-apartheid organization is holding its first national conference in South Africa in 31 years. The Pan Africanist Congress is trying to determine whether to change its stance and join talks with the government on ending South Africa's policy of racial segregation.

Mikhail Gorbachev says state-run businesses are just as much to blame as the government for the Soviet Union's crippled economy. The Soviet leader defended his economic reforms yesterday in Moscow to a gathering of state enterprise bosses who demanded a return to strong central control.

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(DEC. 8) UPI - Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Dec. 8:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	34	01
Amsterdam cy	1pm	34	01
Ankara cy	3pm	48	09
Athens c	2pm	61	16
Auckland pc	12m	64	17
Beijing c	8pm	37	03
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	29	-01
Bonn pc	1pm	34	01
Brussels c	1pm	34	01
Cairo c	2pm	75	23
Casablanca r	12n	62	16
Copenhagen cy	1pm	35	01
Dakar c	12n	85	29
Dublin pc	1pm	34	01
Geneva sn	1pm	34	01
Helsinki r	2pm	39	04

Hong Kong c	8pm	70	21
Jerusalem c	2pm	75	24
Karachi c	5pm	74	23
Lisbon cy	1pm	55	12
London r	1pm	36	02
Madrid dr	1pm	47	08
Malta pc	1pm	59	15
Manila pc	8pm	82	28
Moscow pc	3pm	31	00
Nairobi cy	3pm	71	22
Nassau pc	7am	75	24
New Delhi	6pm	-	-
Nice c	1pm	51	11
Oslo sn	1pm	30	-01
Paris cy	1pm	37	03
Pretoria pc	2pm	84	29
Riyadh	3pm	83	28
Rome r	1pm	47	08
Seoul pc	9pm	52	11
Sofia r	2pm	33	01
Stockholm dr	1pm	36	02
Sydney r	10pm	70	21
Taipei c	8pm	72	22
Tokyo hz	9pm	51	11
Tunis c	1pm	60	16
Vienna cy	1pm	28	-01
Warsaw cy	1pm	33	01

LATIN AMERICA

Buenos Aires c	9am	70	21
Caracas cy	8am	67	19
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	67	19
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	74	23
Santiago	8am	-	-

CANADA

Calgary pc		52	11
Edmonton cy		43	06
Montreal cy		37	02
Ottawa cy		38	03
Regina c		41	05
Toronto cy		38	03
Vancouver r		47	08
Winnipeg c		36	02

c-clear

cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (DEC. 8) UPI - U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills said Saturday there is "no guarantee" the collapsed world trade talks will resume next month in Geneva.

The 107-nation talks, held under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, disbanded in turmoil Friday in a bitter dispute over agriculture subsidies between the United States and the European Community. Although GATT officials said the talks were formally "adjourned," Hills said there was no reason to resume the talks unless progress was possible.

"There's no guarantee of a resumption of talks," Hills told United Press International in an interview at the Brussels airport before leaving for the United States. First, she said, officials at the Geneva-based GATT will confer with various parties to determine if there is any purpose in resuming formal negotiations.

Asked whether there was any reason for optimism, Hills said, "I can't make an instant assessment at this point. We have to go home and see where things stand."

The Uruguay Round of GATT talks, named after the country where it began in 1986, was supposed to end Friday with a sweeping trade-liberalization agreement. Instead, trade ministers spent five days hopelessly deadlocked over farm supports.

The 12-nation EC rejected calls by the United States and other farm-exporting countries to significantly lower its farm subsidies, which create surpluses and distort world-market prices.

EC negotiators stuck to their earlier offer to reduce subsidies by 30 percent. U.S. officials sought an overall reduction of 75 percent and a 90 percent slash in export subsidies.

Due to the agriculture impasse, negotiations barely began in several other critical areas. The talks were designed to extend GATT rules on merchandise trade to new areas such as services, investment, agriculture, and copyright protection.

Hills denied suggestions by some Europeans that the United States failed to appreciate the political clout of the EC's ten million farmers. "We didn't underestimate it," she said in the interview. "Our commitment when we began this round of talks was for fundamental reform in agriculture."

"We know there are interests that want protection," she said. "I have tremendous opposition at home to some trade reforms. That does not mean that trade stands still." About 25,000 farmers protested in Brussels on Monday, when the meeting of trade ministers began.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 8) UPI - The military maintained curfews on dozens of Palestinian communities in the Israeli-occupied territories Saturday, while Arabs closed their shops to commemorate two months since police killed at least 17 Moslems in Jerusalem's Old City.

In the Israeli Arab municipality of Umm el Fahm, approximately 1,000 people marched in honor of the third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising. The uprising, known in Arabic as the intifada, erupted Dec. 9, 1987.

Since the uprising's start, 625 Palestinians were killed by Israeli soldiers and 24 Israelis were killed during violence in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, according to figures released by the army.

Minister of Science and Technology Yuval Ne'eman, of the right-wing Tehiya Party, said he believed Israeli Arab solidarity with the intifada and its purposes was a dangerous process. "Those who want to be citizens must be loyal to their state and cannot cheer and applaud those who kill and stab Israeli citizens," Ne'eman said.

"Those who push them to do so must understand that this process would lead to the return of the history of 1948, when all those who tried to prevent the Jewish people from establishing their state found themselves refugees in other countries," he said.

About 800 Israeli Arabs in the town of Nazareth also held a procession Friday in solidarity with the Palestinians in the occupied territories. They carried slogans reading, "One country for two states" and "Let us establish a Palestinian state alongside Israel."

In the occupied territories Saturday, Palestinians closed their shops and observed a general strike to commemorate two months since Israeli police opened fire on the Temple Mount in Jerusalem and killed at least 17 Palestinians. The Temple Mount, known in Arabic as the Haram el Sharif or the Noble Sanctuary, is Islam's third holiest site and the site of the destroyed Jewish Temple.

The military maintained curfews Saturday on much of the Gaza Strip, most Palestinian refugee camps and several of the largest West Bank communities in advance of the uprising's third anniversary Sunday. More than 600,000 Palestinians were confined to their homes.

Despite the curfews and relative calm leading up to the uprising anniversary, police Saturday reported shots fired toward a patrol of the paramilitary Border Guard late Friday in the Shu'afat refugee camp near Jerusalem.

The latest leaflet of the intifada's underground leadership called on Palestinians to "advance the uprising and to undergo a metamorphosis into a phase of greater struggle." "This will be through the use of all forms of struggle, as was the experience of the recent months of the uprising has proven," the leaflet said.

Some Israeli analysts have interpreted the statement to condone the use of guns and other weapons. During the uprising, Palestinians generally have refrained from using guns against Israelis, although a spate of stabbing attacks began after the Temple Mount slayings.

Israeli soldiers have reinforced their presence in the territories in an effort to stem violence on the uprising anniversary. But a senior military source told the Hebrew newspaper Ma'ariv "all this activity cannot prevent a lone attack by a single person taking a weapon in hand and acting."

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CARACAS, VENEZUELA (DEC. 8) UPI - President Bush said Saturday the expected release of U.S. and other hostages from Iraq and Kuwait does not decrease the chance of war but in fact "facilitates" the possible decision to use force to drive Saddam Hussein's troops out of the occupied emirate. "When you don't have Americans there and if force is required, that's just one less worry I've got," Bush said.

Bush, who wrapped up his five-nation South American tour with a brief visit to oil-rich Venezuela, made the remarks at a joint news conference with Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez outside the presidential palace.

Asked if Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's decision to release the hostages decrease the likelihood of war in the Persian Gulf, Bush replied, "I want a

peaceful solution. I don't feel we are closer to a peaceful solution. And the reason I don't is that Saddam Hussein keeps insisting that Kuwait is a province of Iraq and he will not get out of Kuwait.

"When you kidnap somebody you should not expect a reward when you let them go." He added the release of hostages "makes it no more difficult at all" to convince other countries of the actions that might be taken against Iraq. "This facilitates the difficult decisions that might lie ahead," Bush said.

While waiting for word on the release of the hostages, Bush gave thanks Saturday to Venezuela for backing his moves against Iraq by increasing its oil production.

Unlike his previous stops in Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay, and Chile, where free trade, investment, and debt reduction were the main issues, Bush's discussions with Perez focused on oil.

Caracas was added to the itinerary in large part as a gesture to Perez, once a frequent critic of the United States who since his February 1989 inauguration for a second term has backed Bush at critical times.

Perez repeated that support Saturday, telling Bush, "We small countries such as Venezuela cannot truly accept for anybody to be able to remove by force the boundaries of an existing nation," referring to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

With the United States as its biggest customer, Venezuela upped its oil production by some 500,000 barrels a day - with plans to go even higher - to offset the absence of Iraqi and Kuwaiti exports from the world market.

It has hardly been an act of charity. The surge in world prices and the increased production are estimated to generate as much as $600 million a month in additional oil revenues, which in the last few months has helped Venezuela cut its budget deficit and improve its trade surplus.

That stands in stark contrast to what Bush has heard elsewhere in recent weeks: estimates that disrupted oil supplies, higher prices and lost trade would cost $1.5 billion for Czechoslovakia, $5 billion for Brazil and a lesser amount for Uruguay.

While bad news for others has been good business for Venezuela, Perez has not lost sight of the possibility that good times could be short, as they were when the boom days of the energy crisis of the late 1970s turned to bust with a sharp drop in prices in the early 1980s.

He has used the current crisis to underscore the need to diversify the Venezuelan economy and seek U.S. support for a Venezuela-based strategic petroleum reserve to arm nations of the Western Hemisphere against dependence on Middle East oil.

"The conflict in the Middle East has put into perspective the importance and significance of Venezuela as an oil producer," Perez said Friday night, "and we believe that now more than ever our proposal for hemispheric oil independence is evident and valid."

Bush said Saturday he agrees that the hemisphere needs to be better prepared, but said the United States was not ready to back the formation of a strategic reserve in Venezuela. The United States maintains its own emergency reserve of nearly 600 million barrels of oil.

Opposition to U.S. intervention in the gulf and resentment of U.S. influence in Latin America sparked student protests in Caracas before and during the Bush visit. In the cities of Merida and Barcelona, cars were overturned, shops were looted and American flags were burned. Dozens of students and several police officers were injured, and more than 100 people were arrested Thursday and Friday.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 8) UPI - The home of the brave may soon become the land of the fee. The Immigration and Naturalization Service is drafting a plan to charge people who enter the United States on foot or by car. The proposal, which is still on the drawing board, already has critics lining up like weekend travelers at the Tijuana border crossing.

"That's a hell of a way to balance their budget," scoffs Mario Moreno, regional counsel of the Mexican-American Legal Defense and Educational Fund. "Charging fees at the border is not the way to take care of the gross mismanagement of the INS."

Says Jill Scheldrup, state and local programs manager for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce: "It would appear that it would create yet another barrier to persons coming into this country."

The experimental plan was included in a Justice Department appropriations measure passed by Congress earlier this year. It calls for the INS to conduct a three-year test of charging fees at congested border crossings.

Last year, 429,028,310 residents and aliens were admitted to the United States through official ports of entry, the INS says. The numbers do not include those who entered the country illegally.

In Washington state alone, nearly 25 million people, including 18 million aliens, passed through the state's 18 points of entry. The most congested crossing is Blaine, Wash., which borders Vancouver, Canada. More than 11 million people crossed into the United States through Blaine in 1989.

Many of the busiest checkpoints have experienced a sharp increase in traffic in recent years. The seemingly endless lines of idling cars during holiday weekends at the Tijuana-San Ysidro border crossing is a Southern California legend.

The money generated by the fees would be used to pay for more INS agents and facilities with the goal of cutting down on congestion. At the end of the three-year period, a decision will be made on whether to continue or expand the fee project.

Duke Austin, INS spokesman, is quick to point out that fees for entering the United States are not new. For several years the INS and the Customs Service have been adding a $5 surcharge on international plane tickets to pay for inspections. There are also several toll bridges connecting the United States with Canada and with Mexico.

"The motivation for doing this is we have impacted areas on our northern and southern borders where there are huge backlogs, unacceptable backlogs," Austin says. Absent additional funding from the federal government, "How do you put new resources there?"

Austin says the INS is looking at various options for putting the fee program into place, and that the plan should be ready to present to Congress sometime in January. Congress then has 60 days to review it. As it stands now, it appears the INS will create a toll "express lane" at as yet undetermined border crossings. Other lanes would remain free.

Still undecided, Austin said, is how exactly to collect the fee and whether to offer a monthly pass for migrant workers and other frequent crossers. But Moreno and others fear the program will ultimately lead to a regressive tax on anyone entering or leaving the country. Such fees would be an economic hardship on poor migrant workers and border town businesses.

Moreno, a former city planner of Brownsville, Texas, said people crossing the border to and from Mexico "were the lifeline" of local commerce. Dismissing the argument that fees are already in place for plane tickets, he said, "You're talking about a different class of people coming to this country by airplane. Some of these people (walking or driving) have never been on an airplane. These people are very poor."

And the U.S. Chamber of Commerce considers the plan bad for business, according to Scheldrup. "We view immigration as being very beneficial to U.S. employment and the U.S. economy," she said. "Anything that is designed to inhibit foreign nationals from entering the country should not be on the books."

But others praise the idea as a way to keep America's often chaotic border

situation under control. "We think it's a marvelous and outstanding idea whose time has come," said Dan Stein, executive director of the Federation for American Immigration Reform. The group has long been a supporter of strict control of border areas and "user fees" for entry into the United States.

"We think it makes a lot of sense," Stein says. "It's designed to improve inspections. Who can object to that? Everybody should want good, smooth inspections."

Stein's group estimates that a $2 fee could generate up to $600 million annually. The INS, which has a $900 million budget in fiscal 1991, says it has no estimate on how much money the fees will bring in.

Malcolm McKechnie, press attache to the Canadian Embassy in Washington, says his country has been watching the proposal very carefully. "We're trying to find a way of cooperating with U.S. authorities to ease border congestion." The current plan, McKechnie says, "would benefit Canadians as well as Americans."

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(DEC. 8) UPI - Westerners living in Chengdu, China, quote reports saying more than 30 people died yesterday in an explosion on a bus. But official television says the death toll was two. The westerners believe the explosion was caused by a bomb.

The United States plans to vacate- but NOT officially close- the embassy in Kuwait once all American hostages are out of Kuwait. The embassy has been a symbol of resistance to Iraq's demands that all embassies in Kuwait be closed.

A federal appeals court has ordered a lower court hearing on whether tape recordings of the last moments of the shuttle Challenger astronauts should be released. It refused to order the space agency to release the tapes.

James Bias, father of a 20-year-old man slain Tuesday, pleaded at a Capitol Hill gathering yesterday for a ban on handguns. Bias's other son, Len, was a basketball star who died of a cocaine overdose.

Bumble Bee Seafoods denies charges by an environmental group, Earth Island, that it still buys tuna caught with methods that may kill dolphin. Earth Island has urged consumers to boycott the company's tuna.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 8) UPI - U.S. officials said the United States and the Soviet Union are very close to final agreement on a historic treaty limiting

strategic nuclear weapons, but after some recent disappointments nobody is flatly predicting a final breakthrough in this week's talks in Houston.

The strategic reduction arms talks - or START - would cut the total number of nuclear warheads and missiles by an overall total of about 35 percent, including a 50 percent cut in the largest and most accurate of Soviet missiles.

A senior administration official, speaking on the basis of no further identification, said that the treaty could be put away at the talks Monday and Tuesday in Houston between Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

But the official said, "The deadline is not as important as the quality of the eventual treaty and there is an immense amount of sheer volume, 500 pages of highly technical documents with every word having to be checked and translated."

The biggest remaining problem, said the official, is the specifics of verifying the limits. There are about a dozen different inspection and verification techniques, including surprise on-site visits to missile sites and production facilities.

The verification is far more complex than the Intermediate Nuclear Forces treaty signed three years ago at the Ronald Reagan-Mikhail Gorbachev summit in Washington. In INF, a whole class of missiles was eliminated so the confirmed existence of a single missile of that class would be a clear violation of the treaty.

In START, only a proportion of each type of weapon would be eliminated. So, in order to confirm a violation, every weapon of that class has to be located and counted to see if one side has too many. But the INF treaty set an important precedent - the Soviets giving in to the principle of intrusive on-site inspections by U.S. inspectors.

The toughest single verification problem, the official said, is the mobile intercontinental ballistic missiles. The Soviets have two such classes of missiles, the SS-24 and SS-25. The United States has none, but is keeping the option open of building them in the future.

Another difficult weapon to control are air-launched cruise missiles, small jet-powered pilotless planes with nuclear warheads that are launched from manned bombers. The problem is that the inspectors actually have to look under the wings and in the bomb bays of the planes to make sure that they are not equipped to carry an illegal number of ALCMs. Still another difficulty is how to count and verify so-called "non-deployed" weapons, spare missiles that are in storage and are not in the active arsenal.

One of the frustrations in the long negotiations, going back to 1977, are the

recent changes and upheavals in the Soviet Union. While the current Soviet civilian leadership is clearly eager to move ahead with a strong treaty, U.S. negotiators have picked up signs of dissension within the Soviet government.

In one case, Gorbachev gave his personal word on allowing the United States to keep a special type of cruise missile. But in the talks the next day, the Soviet military negotiators reneged on that handshake promise from Gorbachev. Secretary of State James Baker had to go back to Gorbachev a second time to nail down the deal.

Similar switches have happened at other stages of the talks, suggesting that the Soviet high military command is not as eager as Gorbachev to cut back on strategic arms and to allow an unprecedented number of American inspectors to go poking around in the most secret military installations.

U.S. officials think that the evident dissension is an outer sign of a deeper philosophical dispute in the Soviet Union. One U.S. official thinks that the Soviet military are trying to follow the example set in the United States during the Eisenhower administration.

When President Dwight Eisenhower decided that a large conventional army was too expensive for the United States to maintain after the end of the Korean War, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles came up with the strategy of massive retaliation, relying on cheaper strategic nuclear weapons as the ultimate defense shield.

U.S. officials see some evidence that the Soviet military may be following the Dulles philosophy and therefore are reluctant to slash their nuclear arsenals at a time when conventional forces are going to be reduced. Supporting that theory is the intelligence assessment that the Soviets continue to turn out missile submarines and strategic bombers at a steady rate, despite the imminent prospect that the START treaty would cut those same weapons back.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 8) UPI - Former Gov. John Connally flew out of Baghdad Saturday with some 30 Texans who were held hostage by Saddam Hussein and ordered freed with all other foreign captives last week, a spokesman for Connally said. Barry Silverman said that Connally and fellow businessman Oscar Wyatt left the Middle Eastern nation with the hostages and their families.

"Oscar Wyatt Jr., chairman of the Coastal Corp., and John Connally, a Coastal director, will return to Houston early Sunday morning from Iraq with a planeload of approximately 30 hostages," a company statement said.

The Coastal Corporation Boeing 707 is tentatively scheduled to arrive at Ellington Field at approximately 4 a.m., the statement said. Ellington Field

is a former Air Force base now used as a private airfield. Connally's wife Nellie spoke with her husband Friday. "She said he was very excited and happy " Silverman said.

Connally, who is a former U.S. treasury secretary and now a member of the Coastal Corp. board of directors, and Wyatt flew to Baghdad to talk to Saddam and gain release of some hostages. The Texans took with them a planeload of medical supplies for negotiating purposes, and met with Saddam Wednesday. The Iraqi leader issued a surprise decision Thursday effectively releasing all foreign hostages in Iraq and Kuwait.

Before the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and the U.S. embargo on Iraqi exports, Coastal was one of Iraq's largest customers. It was unclear why they were allowed to leave Saturday on the Coastal plane. There were reports that Baghdad had insisted foreign nationals could be flown out only on Iraqi airliners, and that a British Airways Boeing 767 sent to pick up British hostages was refused permission to land in Iraq.

Coastal, which has interests in natural gas pipelines, oil and gas production and refining, had been buying an average 250,000 barrels a day of Iraqi oil for use at its Corpus Christi refinery and also for resale through its trading company.

Coastal spokesmen said the company had no employees who were Saddam's "guests" during the gulf crisis. Wyatt has dealt with Saddam before through his business dealings with Middle East oil producers.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, FL (DEC. 8) UPI - The Columbia astronauts likely will end their glitch-plagued astronomy flight one or two days early because of a clogged line keeping from flushing a tank holding waste water from their toilet, officials said Saturday. "The plumbing's stopped up and there is no Roto-Rooter," chief flight director Randy Stone told reporters.

While he refused to rule out the possibility of Columbia logging a full-duration ten-day mission, he was not optimistic, saying the astronauts likely would be ordered to land Monday or, in a worst-case scenario, Sunday. The shuttle was originally scheduled to land Tuesday.

"Where we stand right now, I'm not terribly optimistic we can make it to the ten-day ... capability," Stone said. "But we're not giving up on that." In the meantime, Columbia's seven astronauts were ordered to stop using the ship's toilet for urination and to instead use Apollo-era plastic bags called "urine collection devices," or UCDs.

"To preserve all the waste water volume that we have, we'd like you to go on

the male UCDs now, you've got 54 of them available," astronaut Story Musgrave radioed the crew from mission control. "You may not have to stay on those, but it will give us a better hack on calculating the capability we've got. "And we do recommend using each bag as often as you think is reasonable to fill the bag up," he added.

On board are commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John "Mike" Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 47.

Landing originally was scheduled at 9:46 p.m. PST Tuesday at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. Bringing the crew home a day early would result in a landing at 9:53 p.m. PST Monday. A landing Sunday, while not considered likely, also was a possibility.

The blocked waste water line was the latest in a series of glitches to threaten a long-awaited flight to study the most violent stars and galaxies in the universe with a $150 million battery of telescopes sensitive to X-rays and ultraviolet light.

After working around two failed computers, a broken data recorder and problems getting a $50 million telescope pointing system up and running, the "Astro-1" astronomy mission was finally in high gear when the waste water problem cropped up Saturday.

Project officials said the astronauts were on track to have observed 160 to 170 of a planned 200 targets in a full-duration ten-day mission. Despite the threat of an early end to the 38th shuttle mission, astronomers on Earth were understanding.

"We feel now things are going very well and we would be very disappointed (about an early landing)," said astronomer Warren Moos. "But ... if there's something that endangers the spacecraft, there's simply no choice." In the meantime, the astronauts pressed on with around-the-clock observations.

"Now that we are finally up and running, I think we're going to be getting some really great data," said astronomer Frank Marshall. "We're really looking forward to every day we have remaining in the mission."

The problem came to light early Saturday when the astronauts attempted to dump the contents of their waste water tank overboard. Data showed the line was at least partially blocked and attempts to blow air through the line to clear it out were not successful.

The waste water tank measures 35.5 inches long by 15.5 inches wide and weighs 165 pounds. It is used throughout a shuttle flight to store waste water from the shuttle's toilet and and to collect humidity removed from the crew cabin air supply.

"The crew is in absolutely no danger," Stone said. "We have a logistical problem with dealing with waste water aboard the orbiter. It's at worst an inconvenience and it could potentially shorten the flight. But there is absolutely no hazard to the crew with this situation."

The tank was 66 percent full when the problem was discovered and without taking any action, it would be full by Sunday morning. By using a rubberized nylon bag to supplement the normal tank, the crew can get 60 hours of operation out of the tanks, not counting the use of the UCDs.

"We're working it hard," Musgrave radioed the crew from Houston. "Right now ... we think there is no dump capability. Currently you have 60 hours when you look at ullage in the tank and your contingency container." "OK, that's good to know," Brand replied. "That'll give them a little time to work it."

In the meantime, Brand and his six crewmates pressed on with a full slate of astronomical observations, aiming Columbia's telescopes at a variety of high-priority stars and galaxies to learn more about the structure and evolution of the universe.

"Everything's going very well. We're getting a lot of good science," said mission manager Jack Jones. "We have no problems with the payload at this time that we're working."

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(DEC. 8) UPI - Western nations still are waiting for word from Baghdad on when the estimated six-thousand foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait can leave. Iraq's parliament approved their release yesterday. Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz says he hopes everybody can leave by Christmas.

The shuttle Columbia crew, still improvising after computer failures, is gathering data from far celestial objects. Astronomer Arthur Davidsen said- ''We're making so much progress it's unbelievable.''

President Bush winds up his tour of South America today with talks in Caracas with Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez. Perez has backed the U-S stand against Iraq.

Indonesian officials say four people have been killed in the explosion and crash of a helicopter flying to an offshore American oil rig. Six others are missing. They are feared trapped in the wreckage of the sunken helicopter.

Stocks closed lower yesterday, despite a cut in interest rates by the Federal Reserve. A report of increased UNemployment brought fears about the economy. The Dow Jones industrial average lost 12 points.

A government panel says milk produced with use of the genetically engineered hormone B-S-T is safe. But it urged research into what it called a ''remote possibility'' of ill effects in infants.

A Connecticut laboratory- Y-W-C- has pleaded guilty to making false statements about tests of samples from toxic waste sites. The Environmental Protection Agency says Y-W-C falsified dates the tests were made.

Six key members of the House have urged President Bush to send direct food and medical aid to the Soviet Union. They urged Bush to join Germany and the European Community in helping the Soviet people.

A key gasoline price dropped significantly this week. The Lundberg Survey says UNbranded rack gasoline fell 10 to 12 cents a gallon. This indicates drivers may get some relief soon when they buy gasoline.

A reporter for the Corpus Christi, Texas, Caller-Times, Libby Averyt, was jailed yesterday. Averyt refused to answer questions about an interview with a murder suspect. An appeals court denied a request to free her on bond.

10 years ago today John Lennon was shot and killed outside his apartment building in Manhattan. No special commemoration is planned. Lennon's widow, Yoko Ono, is reported to be in Europe.

The I-R-S says soldiers in Operation Desert Shield will have until June 15th to file and pay their taxes. This applies to all soldiers overseas and is two months later than the deadline for taxpayers in the United States.

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LONDON (DEC. 8) UPI - The British government said Saturday that Britons hiding in Kuwait can come out of hiding and prepare to leave the country. The Foreign Office announcement broadcast over the British Broadcasting Corp.'s World Service said because of pledges by the Iraqi government they were no longer advising people to stay in hiding.

The government's reversal of its advice since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait came after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said Thursday that all foreigners wishing to leave would be free to do so. The number of Britons who have eluded Iraqi patrols in Kuwait is estimated at 440 by the British Foreign Office. Another 750 Britons are held in Iraq.

"Following the Iraqi decision to allow all foreign nationals to leave Iraq and Kuwait and the assurances given by the Iraqi authorities in Kuwait that there is no reason why all foreign nationals should not move around freely, we see no need to maintain our advice to stay in hiding," a Foreign Office spokesman

said.

The announcement on the BBC said Britons should prepare to leave and await further directions over the World Service. If possible, they were urged to contact the British embassy in Kuwait or one of the people in the network of contacts the embassy had set up.

In contrast, the U.S. State Department meanwhile advised American hostages to "stay where you are," indicating those in hiding should not come out. A State Department statement Saturday said the embassy in Baghdad had chartered a plane to travel from Baghdad to Kuwait, then return to Baghdad and then leave for Frankfurt, Germany.

The British Foreign Office spokesman said British embassy officials also were attempting to arrange for flights from Iraq, but no details had been settled. Friday, a British Airways plane dispatched from London and loaded with champagne for the returning freed hostages was barred from entering Iraq. Iraqi officals have said Iraqi Airways will handle the exodus of the estimated 6,000 Westerners and Japanese held involuntarily in Iraq and Kuwait.

BBC television reported some Britons had received exit visas and were expected to leave Iraq Sunday. It also said Britons, including two who had hid under a watertank atop an apartment building, were beginning to arrive in Baghdad from Kuwait.

"People here in Baghdad have certainly been getting exit visas, ordinary residents here," British Ambassador to Iraq Harold Walker said. "What we haven't seen is a large number of poeple in from the installations and we haven't actually fixed anything for contingent in Kuwait."

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(DEC. 9) SPORTS DIGEST:

Golf

Australian Steve Elkington shot a 4-under-par 68 to forge a three-way tie with German Bernhard Langer and South African David Frost in the Sun City Million Dollar Challenge in South Africa. Elkington shot his second straight 68 after a dismal opening-round 77. Langer made five birdies and three bogeys for a 70 and Frost, the defending champion, scored his third straight 71 at the Gary Player Country Club course. They'll take a three-stroke lead into Sunday's final round of one of the world's richest golf tournaments.

... Ian Baker-Finch tied a record with an 8-under 63 to grab a two- shot lead after three rounds of the $770,000 Johnnie Walker Golf Classic in Australia. Baker-Finch mixed an eagle, seven birdies and a bogey to match the course mark

set by Roger Mackay during the 1988 World Cup.

Hockey

NHL owners voted to place the new San Jose Sharks in the Smythe Division next season, but were unable to come up with a realignment plan for two expansion teams that will begin play in 1992. The Sharks will join Los Angeles, Calgary, Vancouver, Winnipeg and Edmonton in the Smythe Division. The owners met over a three-day period in Palm Springs, Fla., before giving up on a realignment plan to include the Tampa Bay Lightning and the Ottawa Senators. A committee will work on the problem until next December's league meetings.

... Team Canada defeated West Germany 4-1 to lock up third place in the Nissan Cup in Berne, Switzerland. Canada had lost its chance to play for first place following Friday's 4-3 loss against Switzerland. The Soviets won the tournament with a 7-0 victory in the finals over Switzerland.

Skiing

Veteran Leonhard Stock of Austria scored only his second career World Cup victory in the opening downhill race of the 1990-91 season in Val d'Isere, France. Stock, 32, who gained his biggest competitive glory a decade ago when he took the 1980 Olympic downhill gold medal, shot out of the 27th starting position to snatch victory on the 1.98-mile OK Course with a time of 1:57.43.

... Katrin Gutensohn-Knopf of Germany made up for a small error on the top of the course and snatched the first women's downhill of the season in Altenmarkt Austria. She clocked 1:52.93 on the new Kaelberloch course and was 16-hundredths of a second faster than home favorite Petra Kronberger. Canada's Kerrin Lee-Gartner celebrated her career best World Cup result in third.

Soccer

Diego Maradona showed up to Napoli practice Saturday for the first time in almost a week, one day after the Italian club appealed to the national soccer federation and the Players' Association to bring the Argentine superstar into line. Maradona often has missed practice this season and has failed to play for the club in non-league games. Napoli announced Tuesday it had started a law suit against the company that handles Maradona's commercial affairs. The suit could cost Maradona more than $6 million in lost income if Napoli goes through with the case and wins it. After telling a Naples newspaper the Napoli action was a ''stab in the back'', Maradona vanished until Saturday morning.

... Defending champion Bayern Munich reclaimed first place in the German first division with a 1-0 victory over Nueremberg. Bayern heads a trio of clubs in the Bundesliga with 22 points after 16 matches. FC Kaiserslautern is second with six goals less than Bayern's 38, followed by Werder Bremen another 10 goals behind.

Speed Skating

Japan's Seiko Hashimoto won both the 500 and 1,000-meter women's races in the World Cup speed skating competition Saturday in Matsumoto, Japan. Igor Zhelezovski of Soviet won the men's 1,000. Olympic gold medalist Bonnie Blair placed third in both women's events.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (DEC. 8) UPI - The Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries decided at a meeting Saturday not to suspend Iraq's membership and to maintain an OAPEC training institute in Baghdad, sources said.

The meeting of the ten Arab oil states is expected to set the tone for an OPEC meeting starting Monday in Vienna, where delegates from Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait will again meet across a conference table.

Oil ministers and officials of the Arab group said prior to Saturday's meeting at a Cairo hotel that they hoped to discuss purely administrative and not political matters, but sources said the oil ministers had considered suspending Iraq's membership in the organization.

The sources said the idea was dropped prior to Saturday's meeting. Instead, the ministers in the one day conference agreed to move OAPEC headquarters temporarily from occupied Kuwait to Cairo and approved the organization's $4.3 million 1991 budget.

Kuwaiti Oil Minister Rashid Salem Ameeri said at a news conference after the OAPEC meeting that Kuwait would consider any proposal to kick Iraq out of OPEC but did not say if Kuwait would propose the measure itself at the Vienna OPEC meeting next week. "Kuwait is willing to consider any proposal supported by a majority of members," he said.

The OAPEC ministers at Saturday's meeting did not discuss oil prices or production quotas - the domain of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries which includes non-Arab state members. OAPEC, separate from the older OPEC, was set up to promote and coordinate developments in the Arab oil industry.

"It was close to an administrative meeting, keeping in mind this is a very political issue and very tense times," said one source close to the OAPEC discussions.

OAPEC Secretary-General Abdul Aziz al Turki read a statement after the meeting saying OAPEC headquarters would be moved from Kuwait city to Cairo at the beginning of January. But, the organization has already been operating out of

Jeddah, Saudi Arabia and Cairo since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

The statement also said the ministers agreed to maintain the Baghdad-based Arab Oil Training Institute's $3.5 million budget until a 1991 budget can be approved.

Observers said the move was an effort by OAPEC members not to close the institute, but not to promote it either. The multi-million dollar facility trains Arab nationals for jobs in the oil industry.

All ten members - the United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, Iraq, Libya, Algeria, Syria, and Egypt - sent their oil ministers or delegates to the conference. Iraq was represented by its ambassador to Cairo and occupied Kuwait was represented by Kuwaiti oil minister Ameeri.

The Kuwaiti minister-in-exile repeated charges at his news conference that Iraqis had looted Kuwait's oil equipment and reiterated the emirate's government did not want to give up "even an inch" of Kuwaiti territory to Iraq. He estimated Iraqi damage to Kuwaiti oil facilities at $5 billion and repeated that Kuwait would ask Iraq for compensation for the damages.

Egyptian Oil Minister Abdel Hadi Qandil, current president of OAPEC, presided over the meeting.

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(DEC. 8) UPI - Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the threat of war in the Persian Gulf- in his words- ''still exists as strong as ever.'' This followed Iraq's promise to let all foreigners leave. The State Department estimates about 900 Americans are in Iraq and Kuwait, including 88 being used as ''human shields'' to prevent attacks.

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev admits there have been blunders in implementing the return to a market system. But he rebuffed bosses of state enterprises who say he should restore strong central control. Gorbachev said the state-run businesses are as responsible for the bad economy as the government.

NATO's defense ministers have met in Brussels and agreed that the end of the Cold War means NATO's role must change. By next spring they plan to come up with a strategy reducing the number of nuclear weapons and the size of standing forces in Europe. The new NATO will be designed to respond to local conflicts.

Trade talks broke up in Brussels yesterday with the United States and European Community fighting over farm subsidies. Washington wants deep cuts in farm supports. The E-C wants only small reductions. There will be a cooling off

period, though, and the talks will resume sometime next year in Geneva, Switzerland.

America's ambassador to the United Nations, Thomas Pickering, says negotiations will continue today on a resolution on Israeli-occupied territories. The United States objects to calling a conference on the Middle East. Four U-N Security Council members want the resolution to endorse a resolution.

Chinese officials say two people were killed yesterday in an explosion on a bus in the central Chinese city of Chengdu. But Westerners living in the area believe more than 30 may have been killed. They believe the explosion was caused by a bomb. Several dissident groups are known to be active in Chengdu.

Representative Robert Kastenmeir is one of 29 House members who got a perfect 100 rating for liberal voting by the Americans for Democratic Action yesterday. But Kastenmeir, a Wisconsin Democrat, was defeated for re-election. Eight Republicans who scored low also will NOT be back in the House next session.

Hartz Mountain Corporation has agreed to pay 45-thousand dollars to settle a civil complaint that it did NOT disclose reports of ill effects on pets from its flea and tick spray. The Environmental Protection Agency says Hartz received reports from pet owners and veterinarians, but did NOT tell the E-P-A.

An optics expert says a shimmering image on a church wall in Colfax, California, is caused by the sun shining through a stained-glass window. Since Thanksgiving, thousands of people have flocked to see it. Some people believe the light might be an apparition of the Virgin Mary.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 8) UPI - Moscow's deputy mayor said Saturday that foreign economic help will be needed "at least until spring," especially for Russia's big industrial cities which are suffering from shortages of food and other supplies.

Sergei Stankevich also told a news conference that despite the need for aid, the Soviet Union is not Ethiopia and the capital is not on the verge of famine.

"Foodstocks are enough in Moscow to guarantee there will not be a situation as in Ethiopia," he said. "That is why I try to avoid terms like famine, civil war, and food riots."

The deputy mayor said 200 tons of medicines, baby food, dry milk, and other foodstuffs had arrived from different countries, and four airplanes with supplies landed from Germany Friday night.

Observers have blamed slow adaptation to market economy, an outdated transportation and a breakdown in distribution for the shortages. Stankevich indicated he did not expect a dramatic improvement in supplies in the near future. "At least until spring, economic aid is extremely necessary in Moscow, Ryazansk, Leningrad, and other industrial areas of Russia," he said.

Stankevich reiterated that nine regions that always supplied milk suddenly halted deliveries this winter, causing shortages of 100,000 tons of milk. "This was reason enough for Moscow to require international aid," he said.

The daily Izvestia government newspaper said Saturday the capital had enough milk only for 2 1/2 days. It said on Dec. 5, planned deliveries for Moscow were 2,240 tons, while supplies delivered only 1,500 tons.

Stankevich, who quit the Communist Party this year, also charged that political motives might also be behind the shortages with conservatives preventing supplies from getting to Moscow.

But this summer Stankevich and his boss, Mayor Gavriil Popov, limited shopping in Moscow's stores to residents of Moscow, setting off howls of protests who come from other cities to buy food in the capital. Stankevich said in the capital of nine million people, there were 1.2 million low-income people, of whom 500,000 are in need of urgent aid.

The Soviet capital, however, is also packed with officials and bureaucrats, and has always been a place of relative plenty in the country. Official Soviet television Saturday night the distribution system was "paralyzed."

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(DEC. 8) UPI - President Bush flies to Washington this afternoon to end a trip to South America where he has tried to promote political and economic development. His last stop is Venezuela... which already has what Bush is trying to promote. Venezuela has a strong democracy and a healthy economy, although since it is based on oil it could be vulnerable. Bush is in Caracas to thank President Carlos Andres Perez for backing U-S policy in the Persian Gulf.

The United States is trying to arrange transportation out of Iraq and Kuwait for Americans trapped there since the Persian Gulf crisis began in August. Iraq says they are free to go, but has not said exactly when and how. Cable News Network says Baghdad insists they leave only on Iraqi airliners. The network says Iraq refused landing permission to a British airplane sent to pick up British hostages.

Three years ago this weekend a Palestinian uprising called the ''intifada''

began in the territories occupied by Israel. 625 Palestinians have been killed by soldiers since then. Palestinians have proclaimed general strikes to mark the anniversary. Israeli authorities in turn imposed curfews on Palestinian communities.

The shuttle Columbia astronauts have been studying distant objects- stars and galaxies giving off X-rays and ultra-violet light. Today they will try to spot something closer- NASA's Galileo spaceprobe that will come about 21-hundred miles from Columbia's path. Galileo was launched in October 1989, has been in the neighborhood of Venus and should be flung toward Jupiter by today's encounter with Earth's gravity.

Just one witness appeared yesterday before the Senate committee which is considering ethics charges against five senators. She was Arizona Governor Rose Mofford, a character witness for Senator Dennis DeConcini . Mofford said DeConcini ''has an excellent reputation.'' She says the savings and loan he tried to help was important to Arizona's economy and that its operator, Charles Keating, was NOT considered a villain when DeConcini tried to help.

The Philippines most militant unions have scheduled a general strike Monday to protest the increased prices for oil. The unions hope to force the Manila government to roll back the price increases. Security officials in Manila warned rebels, both left and right, NOT to try to exploit the situation. Communist guerrillas in October backed another general strike by burning buses and bombing gasoline stations.

There is a place in Central Park in Manhattan called Strawberry Fields, named for a John Lennon song. It will have a special significance today- the 10th anniversary of Lennon's murder. NO special commemoration is scheduled at Strawberry Fields, but fans of Lennon and the Beatles are expected to gather at the site, which is near the apartment building where Lennon lived and where he was killed.

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MIAMI (DEC. 8) UPI - A Drug Enforcement Administration informant may be responsible for turning over the taped jailhouse telephone conversations of deposed Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega to the Cable News Network.

The FBI probe into the leak is focusing on Jose Blandon, a political opponent of Noriega's who may be called upon to testify against the deposed dictator, The Miami Herald reported Saturday, citing anonymous sources.

Broadcast of the tapes last month by the network, including one that contained conversations between Noriega and his attorney's office, triggered a court battle over CNN's right to publish versus Noriega's right to a fair trial.

U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler determined there was nothing in the tapes that if published would jeopardize Noriega's right to a fair trial and transcripts of the tapes were released Thursday.

CNN has refused to say how its reporter in Panama obtained the tapes. Prison officials as a matter of policy record the telephone conversations of all inmates, except those between the prisoner and his attorneys which are protected by attorney-client privilege.

Since his incarceration in the Metropolitan Correctional Center near Miami in January following his surrender to U.S. military forces in Panama, Noriega has spent up to ten hours a day on the telephone. Between Feb. 1 and Nov. 8, Noriega made some 1,400 calls, the newspaper reported.

The Drug Enforcement Administration subpoenaed 162 tapes in its efforts to obtain more evidence against Noriega and asked Blandon, whose testimoney to a Miami federal grand jury helped obtain the 1988 drug-trafficking indictment against Noriega, to review 22 of the tapes.

The deposed dictators conversations were filled with code words that the DEA hoped Blandon could help crack. "He was asked to listen to the tapes," a source said. "He also would know the code words Noriega was using." Investigators felt Noriega "was obviously moving money around," the source told the newspaper.

Noriega's attorneys have filed affidavits with the court saying the general is indigent because the U.S. government has had his bank accounts frozen here and elsewhere on the grounds the money was obtained from drug profits.

While the FBI, DEA, and U.S. attorney's office in Miami refused to confirm that Blandon was the target of the probe, another source said the FBI searched Blandon's home in Houston Thursday night looking for phone logs and documents.

"It's an FBI investigatin in which we have cooperated 100 percent and we have absolutely no information as to the findings," Thomas Cash, special agent in charge of the DEA's Miami field division said.

"The prosecutors will not discuss any matter involving search warrants, grand jury matters or evidence gathered in this or any other investigation," said Diane Cossin, a spokeswoman for the U.S. attorney's office in Miami.

Blandon, a onetime senior intelligence officer in Panama and former consul-general in New York, told a U.S. Senate committe in 1988 that his former boss protected U.S.-bound cocaine shipments for the Medellin cartel. Blandon was viewed as a key prosecutin witness before others involved in the scheme began cooperating with the U.S. government.

On Thursday, Lt. Col. Luis del Cid, believed to be Noriega's right-hand man in

Panama and a co-defendant, pleaded guilty and agreed to testify against Noriega.

In court documents filed Friday, assistant U.S. attorneys Norman Moscowitz and Sonya O'Donnell confirmed that the DEA had studied the Noriega phone calls and had asked an unnamed assistant to review them as well. The attorneys said nothing was found that would prove useful at trial and the examination was halted in August.

It is not known how Blandon obtained the tapes, but sources told the newspaper Blandon played portions of those tapes for two officials of the Panamanian government in a Miami hotel room in March.

Noriega's attorneys have filed a defense motion with Hoeveler asking that the indictment be dismissed on the grounds the government eavesdropped on a privileged attorney-client phone call, froze Noriega's money so he couldn't pay for his defense and tried to entrap his attorneys with a bribery offer.

In the prosecution's response filed on Friday, U.S. attorneys said the defense provided no evidence on the bribery charge and the government was acting in good faith to unfreeze some money that could be used to pay Noriega's attorneys fees.

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(DEC. 8) UPI - The semi-official Middle East News Agency says high-level meetings between the United States and Iraq will begin in the second half of December. The report in Cairo quotes high-ranking diplomatic sources in Baghdad as saying the talks with culminate in a visit to the Iraqi capital by Secretary of State Baker in the first week of January. That's just a week before the January 15th deadline set for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait. There is NO official confirmation of the report.

Iraq has indicated that it will allow only chartered Iraqi jetliners to carry freed foreign hostages out of the country. Iraq refused to allow a British Airways plane to land in Baghdad, forcing it to land in Amman, Jordan, instead. U-S officials say they are prepared to use chartered Iraqi planes to fly Americans out of Iraq. The United States also departed from its previous diplomatic stance on the Embassy in Kuwait, saying it will vacate the facility after all U-S hostages are allowed to leave the occupied emirate.

An oil industry analyst says the price of a key wholesale gasoline sold to independent dealers experienced its biggest drop this week in four years. The Los Angeles-based Lundberg Survey says the price of unbranded rack gasoline fell 10 to 12 cents a gallon in the week ended yesterday. Survey director Trilby Lundberg says it is hard to say when drivers will see a drop in the pump price of gasoline, but it is coming.

The ''child prodigy'' of Italian fashion is dead. Enrico Coveri died of a stroke at his home in Florence. He was 38. His family says Coveri's mother found him collapsed on the floor of their penthouse apartment on the banks of the River Arno. Coveri restored his native Florence to fashion fame, switching from stage design to fashion in the early 1970's, when he was little more than 20 years old.

Rhythm and blues pioneer Dee Clark suffered a fatal heart attack in Atlanta, where he was preparing to produce a album with his brother Dennis after years out of the spotlight. He was 52. Clark scored hits with ''Nobody But You'' and ''Hey' Little Girl in the High School Sweater.'' But his biggest hit was ''Raindrops,'' which went to Number Two on the Billboard Magazine charts in 1961. Clark was born in Blytheville, Arkansas, but grew up in Chicago.

It may look a lot like Christmas when students return to Nob Hill elementary school in Country Club Hills, Illinois, but it may NOT sound like it. Officials at the school in suburban Chicago gave in to parent demands to have a Christmas tree displayed in the school library, but they are sticking to a ban on Christmas carols at the annual holiday choral production. School officials say they removed the Christmas tree in an on-going effort to eliminate the use of religious symbols at the school.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 9) UPI - Jurors Saturday scrutinized the videotaped confession of one of two youths on trial for raping and beating a woman jogger, watching his graphic account of the violence in 15 minute segments.

In its ninth day of deliberations, the panel at state Supreme Court in Manhattan sent a note to Justice Thomas Galligan asking to see again the first of two videotapes made by Kharey Wise. Jurors asked to view the 105-minute tape in 15-minute segments and deliberate in between.

Wise, 18, and Kevin Richardson, 16, allegedly joined as many as 30 youths who roamed Central Park in a violent crime spree on April 19, 1989. Police say the pack of youths attacked nine victims - the most seriously injured a 30-year-old investment banker who was gang raped, beaten into a coma and left for dead in a muddy gully.

Wise and Richardson are charged with attempted murder and rape in the attack on the woman. Three other youths last summer were convicted of rape, assault and lesser charges but aquitted of attempted murder in the attack.

Wise made two videotapes during questioning by authorities. In the first, he says he witnessed the attack on the woman but said he was hiding behind a tree and never participated himself.

In the second, he admits he was involved in the attack. He says he was ''playing with her leg'' while another youth raped her.

The prosecutor's most powerful tools in the trial consist of that tape and Richardson's videotaped statements. In his videotape, Richardson admits getting scratched by the woman, but claims he was trying to stop the attack.

Richardson is free on $25,000 bail. Wise has been held at Rikers Island on $50,000 bail since his arrest days after the attack.

As the five-man, seven-woman jury entered its second weekend of deliberation, the lawyers, reporters and the families of the youths milled about the hallways, waiting for a verdict. Scrabble games, playing cards and stacks of Christmas cards dotted the benches in the courtroom as observers whiled away the long, tense hours.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (DEC. 9) UPI - The Galileo probe streaked past Earth Saturday, snapping spectacular photos as it zoomed just 600 miles above the Atlantic in the first of two such historic flybys needed to put the craft on course for distant Jupiter .

''Galileo just completed a virtually perfect Earth gravity assist,'' project manager William O'Neil said at a news conference. ''We hit our target altitude within 5 miles and our arrival time within a half a second. That's not bad for a 14-month trip over two thirds of a billion miles.''

Nine minutes after close approach, the robotic explorer passed about 2,495 miles above the shuttle Columbia over the Pacific Ocean west of Chile, but it was not immediately known if the ship's crew was able to see the unmanned craft, which would have appeared as a fast-moving, very dim ''star.''

''Even if we can't see it, it's nice to know it's (flying) by us and doing its job well,'' astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman radioed mission control in Houston before the flyby.

NASA did not have a booster powerful enough to fire Galileo directly to Jupiter. Instead, the probe was launched from the shuttle Atlantis on Oct. 18, 1989, and fired to Venus for an Oct. 10, 1990, flyby that whipped the craft back to Earth for Saturday's encounter.

With its state-of-the-art instruments gathering data about Earth and the moon, the $1.5 billion Galileo passed about 594 miles above the Atlantic Ocean east of Florida at 3:35 p.m. EST, using Earth's gravity to whip it into a new orbit boosting the probe's velocity by 11,620 mph - from 67,240 mph to 78,860 mph -

fast enough to fly around the world more than three times in a single hour.

Elated scientists unveiled two extremely sharp photographs taken Saturday by Galileo, one of the Earth and one of the moon, giving researchers a hint of the wealth of information they can expect when they sift through all the data recorded by the probe during the flyby.

Astronomer Carl Sagan said scientists eventually hoped to assemble Galileo's photos into a movie, showing Earth ''rotating before us, sitting in the blackness of space.''

Earth flyby No. 1 put Galileo into a new two-year orbit around the sun that will carry the spacecraft past the asteroid Gaspra in October 1991 and back to Earth in exactly two years, on Dec. 8, 1992.

''This is the first time any spacecraft has returned to fly by the Earth after visiting another planet,'' O'Neil said of Galileo's flyby Saturday. ''We are now on our way to Gaspra.''

The second Earth flyby, at an altitude of just 200 miles above South Africa, will boost Galileo's velocity to 87,190 mph and change its orbit once again, putting the craft on course for a 1995 encounter with Jupiter, some 480 million miles away.

''The whole reason that we launched Galileo to Venus and received a gravity assist from Venus was to cause Galileo to fly past the Earth today,'' O'Neil said. ''The final gravity assist from Earth will put Galileo in a direct trajectory to Jupiter.''

Former astronaut Michael McCulley, who served as Atlantis's co-pilot for Galileo's deployment, congratulated the engineers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., saying the mission was a tribute to their ingenuity.

''It was a great spacecraft when we turned it loose and it's obviously still a great spacecraft,'' he said Saturday.

The process of ''stealing'' energy from the gravity of Venus and Earth is analogous to a parent pushing a child on a swing. With each push, the swing carries the child higher. Likewise, with each planetary encounter, Galileo's velocity will be ''pumped up'' in a carefully controlled manner.

As it closes in on Jupiter in the summer of 1995, Galileo will drop a probe into the planet's stormy atmosphere before going into orbit for a 20-month tour, humanity's first long-term study of the solar system's largest planet.

Sailing through a ballet of ever-changing orbits, Galileo's electronic ears and eyes will study Jupiter's atmosphere, its whirling moons and its space

environment in exquisite detail, beaming back close- up photographs 20 to 1,000 times better than the spectacular pictures taken by the Voyager probes.

NASA originally intended to fire Galileo directly to Jupiter using a hydrogen-fueled Centaur rocket, but the program was canceled in the wake of the Challenger disaster, forcing mission planners to rely instead on a less-powerful solid-fuel ''inertial upper stage'' booster.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (DEC. 9) UPI - The Columbia astronauts might end their glitch-plagued astronomy flight Monday, one day early, because of a clogged line keeping them from flushing the contents of the ship's septic tank into space, officials said Saturday.

''The plumbing's stopped up and there is no Roto-Rooter,'' chief flight director Randy Stone told reporters.

Flight director Granvil Pennington said late Saturday the mission would last at least nine days, which would result in a landing Monday, and if work to find additional storage space for the shuttle's waste water is successful, the astronauts could get in a full-duration 10-day flight.

''We can guarantee you waste water capability of nine ... days,'' astronaut Story Musgrave radioed the crew from mission control in Houston. ''We might be able to get you out to a 10 (day) mission. But right now we're guaranteeing, in terms of waste water, a nine (day mission).''

''Well Story, we appreciate you guys working so hard getting us the full mission,'' replied astronaut John ''Mike'' Lounge. ''Hope we can do that.''

Material already in the shuttle's waste storage tank was flushed into a rubber bag in the crew module and Columbia's seven astronauts were ordered to stop using the ship's toilet for urination and to instead use plastic bags called ''urine collection devices,'' or UCDs. The waste water is normally flushed into space.

''To preserve all the waste water volume that we have, we'd like you to go on the male UCDs now, you've got 54 of them available,'' Musgrave told the crew. ''And we do recommend using each bag as often as you think is reasonable to fill the bag up.''

On board are Lounge, 44, commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise 39, and Samuel Durrance, 47.

Landing originally was scheduled at 9:46 p.m. PST Tuesday at Edwards Air Force

Base, Calif. Bringing the crew home a day early would result in a landing at 9:53 p.m. PST Monday.

The blocked waste water line was the latest in a series of glitches to threaten a long-awaited flight to study the most violent stars and galaxies in the universe with a $150 million battery of telescopes sensitive to X-rays and ultraviolet light.

After working around two failed computers, a broken data recorder and problems getting a $50 million telescope pointing system up and running, the ''Astro-1'' astronomy mission was finally in high gear when the waste water problem cropoped up Saturday.

Project officials said the astronauts were on track to have observed 160 to 170 of a planned 200 targets in a full-duration 10-day mission. Despite the threat of an early end to the 38th shuttle mission, astronomers on Earth were understanding.

''We feel now things are going very well and we would be very disappointed (about an early landing),'' said astronomer Warren Moos. ''But ... if there's something that endangers the spacecraft, there's simply no choice.''

In the meantime, the astronauts pressed on with around-the-clock observations.

''Now that we are finally up and running, I think we're going to be getting some really great data,'' said astronomer Frank Marshall. ''We're really looking forward to every day we have remaining in the mission.''

The problem came to light early Saturday when the astronauts attempted to dump the contents of their waste water tank overboard. Data showed the line was at least partially blocked and attempts to blow air through the line to clear it out were not successful.

The waste water tank measures 35.5 inches long by 15.5 inches wide and weighs 165 pounds. It is used throughout a shuttle flight to store waste water from the shuttle's toilet and and to collect humidity removed from the crew cabin air supply.

''The crew is in absolutely no danger,'' Stone said. ''We have a logistical problem with dealing with waste water aboard the orbiter. It's at worst an inconvenience and it could potentially shorten the flight. But there is absolutely no hazard to the crew with this situation.''

The tank was 66 percent full when the problem was discovered and without taking any action, it would be full by Sunday morning. By using a rubberized nylon bag to supplement the normal tank, the crew can get 60 hours of operation out of the tanks, not counting the use of the UCDs.

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#90342u0799 12/08/1990 ~United Press International
MADRID, Spain (DEC. 9) UPI - A car bomb believed planted by Basque separatists exploded Saturday near a soccer stadium, killing six police officers and injuring at least nine other people, the Barcelona Civil Governor's office said.

The police were killed while on their way to crowd control duty at the stadium in Sabadell, an industrial town just north of Barcelona, officials said.

The car bomb, a red Citroen with its trunk packed with explosives, was detonated as the police drove past, the officials said.

Four officers were killed instantly by the blast and two others died shortly after being pulled from the wreckage, officials said.

Three other police officers and six other people on their way to the game also were injured, officials said.

No immediate claim of responsibility for the bombing was made, but authorities said the attack had the hallmark of the Basque separatist organization ETA.

ETA, which represents a small minority of Basques who live mainly in four northern Spanish provinces, has been using car bombs as its main weapon against government forces in its fight for independence for the Basque region.

Two policemen were killed in a similar ambush three weeks ago while they were returning from crowd duty at a soccer match near Bilbao.

Police also speculated that the explosion was designed to disrupt preparations for the 1992 Olympic Games to be held in Barcelona.

The Basque separatists announced in June that they planned such attacks throughout Spain in advance of three major international events set for 1992, the Olympics, the World's Fair at Seville and the celebration of the 500th anniversary of Columbus's voyage to America.

The separatists also said they planned to blow up rail lines in advance of these events.

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#90342u0829 12/08/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 8) UPI - U-S Trade Representative Carla Hills says there is- her words here- ''NO guarantee'' that the collapsed world trade talks will resume next month in Geneva, Switzerland. Hills told United Press International at the Brussels airport in Belgium that there is NO reason to resume the talks unless

progress is possible. The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade negotiations involve 107 nations. The discussions collapsed in turmoil yesterday in a bitter dispute over agricultural subsidies.

There still is NO word on the exact dates of the Iraq-U-S talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. But the semi-official Middle East News Agency reported in Cairo today that high-ranking diplomatic sources told it that the Iraqi foreign minister will visit Washington, D-C, in the last half of December. The report says American Secretary of State Baker will fly to Baghdad in the first week of January.

There is NO confirmation today of word yesterday from former Texas Governor John Connally, who told his wife in a telephone call that he was returning to Houston with a number of newly freed American hostages. Connally flew to Baghdad with Coastal Corporation Chairman Oscar Wyatt. Nellie Connally said the short phone call from her husband did NOT include many details.

Libya charged today that the United States has taken 200 Libyan prisoners of war from Chad and flown them to an unknown destination. The official Libyan news agency charged that the United States is going to use the Libyan troops are hostages- quoting now- ''to achieve political ends.'' There is NO indication of what those plans involve. The report also charged that 17 of the Libyan P-O-W's were executed because they refused to board U-S planes for the evacuation. The report does NOT say how the United States got control of the prisoners.

President Bush is wrapping up his South American tour today in Venezuela, where he is holding more talks with his counterpart. The president is scheduled to leave aboard Air Force One this afternoon for the flight back to Washington, D-C.

A Miami report today says a Drug Enforcement Administration agent may be responsible for turning over taped prison telephone conversations of deposed Panamian leader Manuel Noriega to the Cable News Network. The report cites unidentified sources as reporting that the F-B-I investigation into the leak is focusing on Jose Blandon. He is a political opponent of Noriega's who may be called upon to testify against the deposed dictator, who is awaiting trial on drug charges in Miami.

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#90342u0913 12/08/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 8) UPI - The official Iraq News Agency reported today that Iraq told the United States that it wants to send Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to Washington, D-C, on December 17th. The report says the Iraqis also proposed that Secretary of State Baker meet with Iraqi officials in Baghdad on January 12th... just three days before the deadline set by the U-N Security Council for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. The report says the dates differ from those

perferred by the United States, but it does NOT specify the American dates.

The I-N-A dispatch also quoted Iraqi officials as saying the Iraqi delegation to the talks would be committed to the nation's rights, including what it termed ''its rights in the governorate of Kuwait.'' And once again, the Iraqis are calling for a ''dialogue'' in the discussions, and the statement again linked the Palestinian question to the Persian Gulf situation.

President Bush is wrapping up his South American visit in Venezuela today. At a news confernce in Caracas, Bush told reporters that the release of hostages from Iraq and Kuwait does NOT reduce the chance of war in the Persian Gulf. Bush said that in fact, the release of the hostages eliminates one worry from the planning for a military offensive. Bush reiterated that he wants a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis but added that- quoting now- ''I don't feel we are closer to a peaceful solution.''

Libya is accusing the United States of forcibly airlifting Libyans out of Chad and it charged that 17 Libyan prisoners of the Chadian civil war were executed for refusing to board U-S planes. The official Libyan news agency says the American planes carried the Libyan P-O-W's to an undisclosed location. It says the Libyan foreign secretary plans to fly to Lagos, Nigeria, to hold talks on returning the prisoners. But the report does NOT specifically say that the P-O-W's have been flown to Nigeria.

The commander of Philippine security forces for the Manila region is warning left- and right-wing rebels against trying to exploit a general strike called for Monday by militant trade unions. The walkout has been called to protest a more than 45 percent increase in petroleum prices in the Philippines. The Filipino military chief says special operating units of police are ready to block any attempts to use the strike to destabilize the Philippines government.

NO special commemoration is planned today in New York City to mark the 10th anniversary of the slaying of former Beatle John Lennon. But a city Parks Department official says that by custom, fans of Lennon and his music gather in the two and one-half-acre ''Strawberry Fields'' garden created in Central Park by Lennon's widow, Yoko Ono. Others are expected to gather outside the West Side apartment building where Lennon was shot to death by Mark David Chapman, a former mental patient who is serving a 20-year to life sentence in an upstate New York prison.

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#90342u0952 12/08/1990 ~United Press International

TYRE, Lebanon (DEC. 9) UPI - Thousands of Palestinians demonstrated Saturday in southern Lebanon to commemorate the third anniversary of the uprising in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Some 40,000 Palestinians including women, children and elderly marched through

the streets of the port city of Tyre, 46 miles south of Beirut, denouncing the Israeli ''oppressive measures'' in the occupied territories.

The demonstrators, raising Palestinian and Lebanese flags, chanted anti-Israeli and anti-U.S. slogans and called on the United Nations to ensure the protection of West Bank and Gaza residents.

PLO representative in Lebanon Zeid Wehbeh handed a memorandum to the commander of the United Nations Interim Force In Lebanon, calling for ''an international protection of the Palestinians and the implementation of all Security Council resolutions.''

Earlier Saturday, Palestinian guerrillas attacked a position of the Israeli-backed South Lebanon Army at the edge of the border zone but no casualties were reported.

The ''Voice of the South'' radio station, which is run by the Israeli-backed SLA, said SLA militiamen and guerrillas exchanged machine gun fire and rocket-propelled grenades near the Zumrayeh gate at the edge of the Israeli self-declared ''security zone.''

The radio said following a 30-minute clash, SLA militiamen combed the area and found machine guns and blood stains on the ground.

The Syrian-backed breakaway Al Fatah Uprising Movement headed by Saeed Mousa, known for his nom de guerre Abu Mousa, claimed responsibility for the attack.

The group said in a communique that ''the operation was carried out to celebrate the start of the fourth year of the uprising in Palestine.''

The communique said all members of the attacking force returned safely to their base.

Al Fatah Uprising claimed responsibility for a series of bombings in Jerusalem and the West bank in 1984 and 1985.

Abu Mousa broke away from the mainstream Al Fatah movement of PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat in 1983 and allied himself with Syria.

After Israel withdrew the bulk of its troops from Lebanon in 1985, it established the ''security zone'' to prevent cross border attacks. The 9-to-15-mile buffer zone is patrolled by Israeli troops and the SLA.

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#90342u0955 12/08/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 8) UPI - A Coastal Corporation spokesman in Houston says former Texas Governor John Connally and Coastal Chairman Oscar Wyatt are on their way back

to the United States with as many as 34 newly freed Iraqi hostages. A Connally spokesman says the pair left Baghdad today with the hostages aboard a plane owned by Coastal, which formerly was one of Iraq's largest oil customers.

In Baghdad, the official Iraq News Agency says officials are proposing that Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz visit Washington on December 17th to meet with President Bush. The report says the Iraqis also are proposing that Secretary of State Baker fly to Baghdad on January 12th to meet with Saddam Hussein. The report says the date are NOT those preferred by the United States.

President Bush was questioned about the Persian Gulf crisis at a news conference today in Caracas, where he is wrapping up his week-long visit to South America in Venezuela. Bush said the release of hostages from Iraq and Kuwait does NOT reduce the chance of war in the region. He says he does NOT feel the region is closer to peace because Iraq still is insisting that Kuwait is a province of Iraq.

But at the same time, a chartered flight left Baghdad with 41 Japanese nationals aboard... the first hostages to be released under the order to free all foreign nationals from Iraq and Kuwait. The release was reported by the semi-official Middle East News Agency.

NASA reported this morning that the shuttle Columbia mission could be cut short because of a clogged water line. A spokesman says the crew members-reporting good progress on their astronomy mission despite computer failures-tried to clear the line by blowing air through it, but the attempt failed.

A senior Bush administration official says the United States and the Soviet Union are very close to an agreement on a historic treaty to reduce strategic nuclear weapons. But the official says the sheer complexity of the question prevents anyone from flatly predicting that a final break-through will come at talks in Houston on Monday and Tuesday.

Witnesses reported today that an apparent bomb blast destroyed a crowded bus in the capital of Sichuan province in central China, killing at least two people and possibly many more. Some reports put the death toll at 30 in the blast, which flew the top off the bus and shattered windows in the vicinity.

Indonesian authorities say a helicopter carrying 12 people exploded and crashed on a shuttle flight to an American oil rig in the South China Sea. They say the crash killed four people and left six others missing.

The Israeli military maintained curfews in dozens of Arab communities in the occupied territories today, as Arabs closed their shops to mark the two-month anniversary of the violence that rocked Temple Mount in Jerusalem. At least 19 Palestinians were killed by Israeli security forces in the outburst.

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#90342u0996 12/08/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 9) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE U.S.A.:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	54	23	....
Anchorage sy	25	18	.04
Asheville sy	47	36	.01
Atlanta sy	52	37	.01
Baltimore sy	52	39	....
Billings sy	57	30	....
Birmingham sy	54	31	....
Bismarck pc	50	19	....
Boston sy	45	40	.06
Brownsville sy	68	38	....
Buffalo pc	39	34	....
Burlington Vt. pc	44	23	....
Charleston S.C. sy	51	47	.15
Charlotte sy	54	41	.13
Chicago sy	47	27	....
Cincinnati sy	48	20	....
Cleveland pc	44	25	....
Columbus Ohio sy	46	22	....
Dallas f	65	28	....
Denver sy	64	22	....
Des Moines f	47	25	....
Detroit sy	45	26	....
Duluth f	45	24	....
El Paso c	59	19	....
Evansville sy	51	24	....
Fargo pc	53	25	....
Hartford sy	44	33	....
Honolulu pc	81	69	....
Houston sy	62	29	....
Indianapolis sy	47	25	....
Jackson Miss. sy	58	24	....
Jacksonville sy	52	47	.24
Kansas City sy	59	27	....
Las Vegas sy	62	31	....
Little Rock sy	60	37	....
Los Angeles sy	84	55	....
Louisville sy	52	24	....
Memphis sy	56	27	....
Miami Beach sy	79	67	.47
Milwaukee pc	44	25	....
Minneapolis sy	50	26	....
Nashville sy	54	21	....
New Orleans sy	57	38	.05

New York sy	49	42	....
Oklahoma City sy	65	30	....
Omaha sy	51	29	....
Orlando sy	66	52	.58
Philadelphia sy	48	40	....
Phoenix sy	78	47	....
Pittsburgh sy	44	23	....
Portland Me. sy	39	32	....
Portland Ore. cy	51	40	....
Providence sy	44	39	.31
Richmond sy	50	38	.07
St. Louis sy	55	31	....
Salt Lake City h	43	18	....
San Antonio sy	65	29	....
San Diego sy	77	47	....
San Francisco sy	68	45	....
San Juan sy	85	67	....
Seattle r	49	42	.32
Spokane cy	47	22	....
Tampa sy	63	54	.03
Washington sy	51	40	....
Wichita sy	61	23	....

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

mc-mostly cloudy

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sl-sleet

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

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#90342u1008 12/08/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (DEC. 9) UPI - Two private planes hit each other in mid-air near Joliet Saturday afternoon, damaging at least one but causing no injuries, aviation and fire officials said.

Both were single-engine planes. One landed at Frankfort Airport, just west of Joliet, and the other landed at Lockport Lewis Airport, north of Joliet, officials said.

The names of the pilots were not available.

The accident happened at about 1:30 p.m., said Charles Reed, a Frankfort firefighter and paramedic. He said the plane that landed at Frankfort suffered damage to its tail section, indicating it may have been hit from above.

It was not known if the other craft was damaged. Romeoville firefighters, who respond to calls from Lewis Lockport, said they were not notified of any accident.

FAA officials said they would investigate the report.

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#90342u1162 12/08/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 8) UPI - Iraq today proposed that Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz meet with President Bush on December 17th. And they said Secretary of State Baker should meet with Saddam Hussein on January 12th in Baghdad. That's just three days before the U-N Security Council deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait.

The State Department advised Americans in Iraq and Kuwait to ''stay where you are,'' indicating that those who are in hiding should remain out of sight. But British officials advised their nationals in the two countries to come out of hiding and report to Iraqi authorities for their release.

President Bush told reporters in Caracas, Venezuela, that the hostage release ordered by Saddam does NOT reduce the threat of war in the Persian Gulf because Iraq still refuses to withdrawal from Kuwait.

The State Department says it provided transportation for Libyans soldiers who were captured during the Chadian civil war and did NOT want to return to their homeland. A spokesman says the Libyans are heading for various countries.

Earlier, Libya charged that the United States had kidnapped Libyan P- O-W's and was holding them hostage.

The glitch-riddled Columbia astronomy mission may end one day early because a clogged water line prevents the purging of a waste water tank. The problem came up today, with the astronauts reporting more progress in their celestial observations.

The Corpus Christi, Texas, Caller-Times says it is exploring its legal alternatives in the jailing of a reporter who refused to answer questions about her interview with a capital murder suspect. Reporter Libby Averyt refused to answer questions about information that she gathered that was NOT included in her report on the interview.

Rhythm-and-blues pioneer Dee Clark is dead. Altanta police say the 52-year-old Clark apparently died of a heart attack in his sleep in a hotel room. Clark achieved fame in the late 1950's and early '60's with the tunes ''Nobody But You,'' ''Hey, Little Girl in the High School Sweater'' and his Number Two hit ''Raindrops.''

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#90342u1249 12/08/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 8) UPI - The official Soviet news agency says the date of the super-power summit scheduled for January may have to be changed because of developments in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Iraq today proposed that Foreign Secretary Tariq Aziz meet with President Bush on December 17th and that Secretary of State Baker visit Baghdad on January 12th... three days before the U-N deadline for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Sources in Cairo report that the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries decided against suspending Iraqi membership today and to continue the group's training institute in Baghdad. The meeting of the 10 Arab oil-exporting states is expected to set the tone for a full meeting of the OPEC oil cartel in Vienna on Monday.

The deputy mayor of Moscow says foreign help will be needed ''at least until spring'' because of shortages of food and other supplies. The official says help will be needed especially in the big industrial cities of the Soviet Union and that 200 tons of supplies had arrived in the Soviet capital last night.

U-N Security Council negotiators resumed consultations today on a draft resolution dealing with the Israeli-occupied territories and a possible international conference on the Mideast. Israel opposes the resolution.

The Israeli military is enforcing a curfew on dozens of Palestinian communities in the occupied territories today... the two-month anniversary of the deaths of at least 17 Palestinians in rioting at Temple Mount in Jerusalem.

A clogged water line threatens to force the shuttle Columbia and its seven-man crew back to earth one day early. NASA says the problem with the water line prevents the flushing of a tank that holds waste water from the spacecraft toilet.

A Miami report says the F-B-I investigation of a leak of taped telephone conversations between deposed Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega and his lawyers may be a Drug Enforcement Administration informant. The investigators are trying to determine who gave the information to the Cable News Network.

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#90342u1362 12/08/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 8) UPI - President Bush says the Iraqi decision to release all foreign hostages makes the decision to use force against Iraq in Kuwait easier. Bush told reporters in Caracas, Venezuela, that military planners will NOT have to worry about hitting their own people in any attack. As Bush spoke, the first group of foreign nationals released under the everyone- out order boarded a chartered Iraqi airliner. The semi-official Middle East News Agency said 41 Japanese nationals left Baghdad for home.

Also in Baghdad, the official Iraq News Agency said officials proposed that Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz meet with President Bush on December 17th in Washington. The Iraqis also proposed that Secretary of State Baker fly to Baghdad on January 12th for his meeting with Saddam Hussein. The report says the dates are NOT those preferred by the United States but it did NOT specify what the U-S proposal was.

A senior Bush administration official says nobody is flatly predicting a final break-through next week in the talks to reduce strategic nuclear weapons. Secretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze will meet in Houston on Monday and Tuesday to work on the historic agreement. But the senior official said the issue is so complex that NO one wants to predict that the treaty will be settled.

In Moscow today, the official Soviet news agency reported that the super-power summit scheduled for January may have to be delayed because of the Persian Gulf crisis. The new agency says developments in the Persian Gulf could occupy American officials to such an extent that preparations for the summit could NOT be made. It says the situation will be discussed when Baker and

Shevardnadze meet in Houston on Monday and Tuesday.

The Galileo space probe swooped past the Earth today, taking spectacular pictures as it zoomed by about 600 miles above the Atlantic Ocean. It was the first of two historic fly-bys needed to put Galileo on a course for Jupiter. Project managers say mission controllers were within five miles of their target altitude and one-half second of the arrival time for the fly-by.

The news from the shuttle Columbia was NOT as good. The return of the shuttle and its seven-man crew likely will be one day earlier than planned because of a problem with a water line.

The State Department says the United States provided transportation to Libyan prisoners of war in Chad who did NOT want to return home. Department spokesman Dave Denny described the move as a ''humanitarian gesture,'' but did NOT say how many Libyans were involved or where they were taken. Earlier today, Libya accused Washington of flying Libyans out of Chad by force. Libya also claims 17 Libyans were executed for refusing to leave.

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#90342u1447 12/08/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 8) UPI - Iraq wants Secretary of State Baker to meet with Saddam Hussein January 12th, just three days before a U-N deadline for Iraq to withdrawal from Kuwait or be forced out. Iraq's official news agency also described dates proposed by Washington as ''NOT suitable.'' IRNA did NOT, however, say what dates the Bush administration is suggesting. In Washington, the State Department says the dates for talks between U-S and Iraqi officials are- quote- ''still under discussion.''

The Columbia astronauts are contending with yet another problem that may result in their ending the mission one day earlier than planned. NASA says a clogged line is keeping the astronauts from flushing the contents of the ship's septic tank into space. As chief flight director Randy Stone explains- ''The plumbing's stopped up and there is NO Roto- Rooter.'' A series of glitches have plagued the flight to study the most violent stars in the universe.

The new Libyan-backed president of Chad is accusing the United States of running a camp for soldiers to train Libyan soldiers to overthrow Colonel Moammar Gadhafi. The accusations follow acknowledgements by the United States that it evacuated Libyan nationals from Chad after the overthrow of the government of Hissene Habre one week ago.

Fans of the late John Lennon gathered in New York and Los Angeles today- the 10th anniversary of the former Beatle's death. In Los Angeles, more than 100 people surrounded Lennon's star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame... singing songs reading poems and leaving flowers in their place. In New York, fans visited

the garden created by Lennon's widow, Yoko Ono, in Central Park.

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#90342u1649 12/08/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 8) UPI - The latest dispute in the Persian Gulf crisis centers on setting dates for high-level talks between U-S and Iraqi officials. The White House today termed the latest suggestion from Baghdad- quote- ''unacceptable.''

A car bomb exploded today near a soccer stadium north of Barcelona, Spain, killing six police officers and injuring at least nine other people. Officials say they suspect Basque separatists planted the explosive.

About 40-thousand Palestinians marched in a port city of Lebanon today to commemorate the third anniversary of the uprising in the Israeli-occupied terrorities. The demonstrators chanted anti-Israeli and anti-U-S slogans.

South Africa's African National Congress says authorities are holding 25 senior A-N-C officials at an airport in Johannesburg after the group returned from exile. Airport and government officials had NO immediate comment.

Parts of Britain are paralyzed by howling winds and heavy snow that stranded hundreds of drivers and left thousands of homes without electricity. Officials say the storm hit Wales and northern and central England the hardest.

A ninth day of jury deliberations have recessed for the night in the trial of two youths charged in the rape and beating of a jogger in New York's Central Park. Jurors today scrutinized the videotaped confession of one youth charged.

Aviation officials say two private planes hit each other in-air near Joliet, Illinois, this afternoon. A duty officer with the F-A-A says at least one of the planes was damaged but there were NO injuries in the accident.

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#90342u1772 12/08/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 8) UPI - President Bush says Iraqi moves to free foreigners held hostage in Iraq and occupied Kuwait will make it easier to go to war against Iraq. Bush- the commander of about 230-thousand U-S troops in the gulf region- says he is still hoping for a peaceful solution to the standoff. However, Bush says war remains an option as long as Iraqi troops remain in Kuwait.

U-S troops in the Persian Gulf watched and listened to a battle back home- the 100th Army-Navy football game. Most of the American troops in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf listened to the game on Armed Forces Radio. However, some troops in Bahrain and Saudi Arabia were able to watch the football match live on television. The troops shouted ''go, go, go'' at the t-v screens and

decorating offices with Army and Navy slogans.

A reporter who was found in contempt of court for NOT answering questions in a capital murder case is spending the weekend behind bars in Corpus Christi, Texas. The Corpus Christi Caller-Times says it is trying to get journalist Libby Averyt freed from the jail term imposed when she refused to answer questions about her interview with a murder suspect. Averyt insists the First Amendment allows her to keep unpublished information confidential.

Movie director Martin Ritt died today after suffering a massive heart attack in Los Angeles. Ritt's portrayals of the human condition were immortalized in such films as ''Hud'' ''Sounder'' and ''Norma Rae.'' A hospital spokeswoman listed Ritt's age as 76... but other sources say the heavy-set director was 70.

Funeral arrangements are pending for another name in the entertainment industry. Rhythm-and-blues pioneer Delecta ''Dee'' Clark died of an apparent heart attack last night in an Atlanta hotel. Clark wrote and recorded the Million-selling pop hit ''Raindrops'' in 1961. He was preparing to produce an album after years out of the spotlight.

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#90343d3430 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 9) - Soviet officials are admitting massive problems in shipping goods throughout the country, with bottlenecks at warehouses, railroad terminals and ports hurting the distribution of thousands of tonnes of goods, Pravda reported Sunday.

The communist party paper cited Nikolai Gavryushin, head of the the Soviet railways department for container and commerical traffic as describing the situation as ''catastrophic''.

He told the newspaper that ''20,000 containers and 300 railway wagons with consumer goods and industrial equipment were standing unloaded at Moscow's freight railway stations''.

Goods with a total weight of 23,500 tonnes ''were buried'' at some warehouses, Gavryushin said. Amid a shortage of trucks and drivers, only one-fifth of cargoes were being moved.

The newspaper said that 101 wagons with meat brought mainly from abroad had been standing at the Moscow Tovarnaya station since November 25.

''One of the reasons given for freight congestion is a shortage of storage facilities,'' Pravda said. ''All warehouses of trading establishments are packed to capacity.

''On the other hand, shop shelves are empty.'' Pravda said. The paper said the

reasons for the situation should be asked of ''the leaders of the Moscow city council who have been carried away with rallies and meetings''.

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#90343d3460 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (DEC. 9) - A majority of Irish citizens are favorable to a constitutional reform which would end the republic's ban on divorce, according to a poll published by the Sunday Independent in Dublin.

A majority also backed a renunciation of the republic's claim of sovereignty over Northern Ireland, which is included in the country's 1937 constitution and which has been a constant source of conflict with protestants in Ulster.

The poll showed that 56 per cent of Irish citizens wanted divorce legalized, against 38 per cent opposed and six per cent undecided. Irish voters decisively rejected a referendum four years ago proposing to permit divorce.

Prime Minister Charles Haughey, whose Fianna Fail party was defeated in presidential elections last month, promised last week to present a draft law which could lead to the legalization of divorce.

New Irish President Mary Robinson, a liberal feminist lawyer, backed the right to divorce during her campaign.

Of those polled, 53 per cent supported replacing the constitutional claim of sovereignty over Northern Ireland, which is part of the United Kingdom, with a more general declaration of the unity of the Irish people; 29 per cent were opposed and 18 per cent undecided.

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#90343d3620 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (DEC. 9) - North Korea's prime minister is to arrive here Tuesday for a third round of talks in four months with his Southern counterpart in a bid to reach a rapprochement accord, but analysts here said the prospects were dim.

Yon Hyong-Muk is to travel from Pyongyang through the border truce village of Panmunjom with six delegates, a 33-member staff and 50-member press corps, and meet with South Korean Prime Minister Kang Young-Hoon Wednesday and Thursday.

At their last meeting in the North Korean capital in October, Mr. Kang refused Pyongyang's demand that the two sides immediately sign a joint non-aggression treaty.

Mr. Kang insisted the two feuding states should first sign a basic agreement of mutual recognition before taking on the issues of non-aggression, exchanges and cooperation.

The two Koreas opened prime ministerial talks here in September with the aim of discussing "the problems of solving political and military confrontations, and of executing multi-angled exchanges and cooperation."

When the two leaders met for the first time -- four decades after a bitter fratricidal war -- both called for joint efforts toward an early reunification of the divided Korean Peninsula in response to the yearning of 70 million people on either side of the border.

But amicable handshakes and eloquent dinner speeches failed to erase deep mutual distrust.

Mr. Kang argues that the North wants a non-aggression agreement that would compel the withdrawal of 40,000 U.S. troops stationed in the South, whom Seoul still views as a deterrent to a military attack from the North.

Washington is set to gradually withdraw some of the troops.

Some critics here accuse the South of backing down as the North is calling for the very non-aggression agreement that South Korean President Roh Tae-Woo proposed in a speech to the United Nations last year.

Dissidents here demand that the South sign the agreement promptly to allow progress in the current inter-Korean dialogue.

Ostensibly, the North Korean prime minister is to arrive in a more amicable atmosphere following exchanges of soccer teams and musical troupes in the last two months, in the professed conviction that such exchanges could pave the way for national unification.

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#90343d3640 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (DEC. 9) - Bangladesh's acting President Shahabuddin Ahmed is drawing fire after only three days in office for allegedly involving himself in deep-seated political controversies, opposition sources and observers said Sunday.

The 60-year-old chief justice, installed Thursday to head an interim caretaker government after the resignation of president Hussain Mohammad Ershad, passed his first official working day Saturday appointing advisors to help him and meeting the chiefs of the armed services.

But he also held meetings with major opposition politicians and visited the graves of Bangladesh's two assassinated presidents -- Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and General Ziaur Rahman -- who had played contoversial roles in the brief but turbulent history of Bangladesh.

Mr. Ahmed became the first president to fly to the remote village of Tungipara 100 kilometres (60 miles) south of here, where Bangladesh's founder president Sheikh Mujib was buried after being killed, together with most of his family, in a bloody August 15, 1975, coup.

A nationwide telecast of the visit showed the acting president flying by helicopter to the village and, with his personal military and civil staff behind him, laying a wreath at Sheikh Mujib's grave .

On his return to the capital, he also drove to the grave of General Zia, the former president who was assassinated on May 30, 1981 in an abortive coup, the television said.

Mr. Ahmed later said he had visited the graves to express his personal respect for the country's two former national leaders.

Sheikh Mujib was the father of Sheikh Hasina Wajed of the Awami League and Gen. Zia was the husband of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) leader Begum Khaleda Zia.

Both the Awami League and BNP were ruling parties under Sheikh Mujib and Gen. Zia respectively and are now the main contenders in the elections Mr. Ahmed is charged with organizing.

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#90343d3670 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (DEC. 9) - Prime Minister Bob Hawke, celebrating his 61st birthday, was told by four of Australia's five leading Sunday newspapers that his deputy and Treasurer Paul Keating wants his job before the next election.

Renewed speculation about a likely leadership challenge followed a speech by Mr. Keating to a supposedly private press gallery dinner at the National Press Club in Canberra on Friday night.

A full account of the speech, in which Mr. Keating is reported to have specifically attacked the goverment's leadership, was said to have been given to journalists not at the dinner.

Only two weeks ago, Mr. Hawke and Mr. Keating firmly put down similar speculation that followed an opinion poll slump in the prime minister's personal popularity.

But front-page reports Sunday were much more definite, with banner headlines such as: "Keating Starts Leadership Run" or "Keating Renews Push to Be PM."

One Melbourne paper quoted sources "close to Mr. Keating" saying he was

"strengthening his statements in private that Australia needed a new leader to take the rough decisions rather than one based on popularity."

Mr. Keating, who was attending Labor centenary celebrations at Blackall in Queensland, could not be contacted for comment.

A spokesman for Mr. Hawke, who celebrated his birthday with his family in Canberra, said he would not comment either.

One report quoted Mr. Keating as saying Australia never had leadership of the calibre of three great U.S. leaders -- George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and Franlin D. Roosevelt -- and that "it shows."

Although Mr. Keating did not mention Mr. Hawke's name, journalists at the dinner were said to have regarded the remark as a thinly veiled attack on his leadership abilities.

Mr. Keating's reported description of Mr. Hawke's hero, wartime prime minister John Curtin, as a "trier" was similarly regarded.

Mr. Keating said leadership was all about doing what was right and strong, not "tripping over TV cables in shopping centres trying to get their pictures in the media."

One of Mr. Hawke's most successful campaign tactics, used to his advantage in the last election in March this year, is his meet-the-people walks through shopping malls.

Mr. Hawke has said repeatedly that he would contest the next election, due in 1993.

But Labor's record low stakes in the opinion polls led to recent speculation that he might stand down before the next election to allow Mr. Keating to take over the leadership reins and try to improve Labor's electoral stocks.

One problem for Mr. Keating, however, is that his own popularity in the polls is lower even than Mr. Hawke's.

This is generally assumed in Labor circles to be because as treasurer for the last seven years Mr. Keating is always seen to be delivering the bad news.

But Communications Minister Kim Beazley's lead over Mr. Keating in popularity may also be forcing Mr. Keating to reconsider the leadership issue, although Mr. Beazley has said he would not challenge Mr. Keating in a future contest.

Mr. Keating, who was widely reported to have expected to be given the top job after the 1987 election, later reconciled himself to a few more years as treasurer after Mr. Hawke dug his heels in.

The Labor Party's long-term pollster said recently that its best chance of winning the next election would be with the existing leadership combination of Mr. Hawke and Mr. Keating.

The latest media reports have suggested Mr. Keating's renewed push has been spurred by the sudden death last week of his close associate, secretary to the Treasury Chris Higgins, 47.

Mr. Higgins' death "had brought home with a jolt the thought that life was short," said one report. Mr. Keating will be 47 next month.

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#90343d4210 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 9) - Two Iraqi Airways aircraft chartered by the Foreign Office will leave Baghdad Monday afternoon and probably Tuesday with hundreds of British subjects, a Foreign Office spokesman said on Sunday.

More than 1,100 Britons are still in Iraq and Kuwait, he noted.

The first plane, which might bring out around 350 Britons, is scheduled to depart at 1300 GMT on Monday, the spokesman said.

Two other special flights will be arranged on Tuesday from Kuwait to Baghdad to bring the approximately 440 Britons still in Kuwait to the Iraqi capital. The majority of them will then be taken to London on another Iraqi Airways aircraft, the same day if possible.

On Sunday, the Foreign Office again advised Britons in Iraq and Kuwait to make themselves known to the British embassies or consular officers, who will see to their departure.

It said that the majority of the 342 Britons who had been held at strategic sites in Iraq to help deter an attack on Iraq have now been transferred to the Iraqi capital.

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#90343d4270 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 9) - Some 25 people were feared drowned Sunday after a boat carrying a wedding party capsized midstream in a river in the northern state of Himachal Pradesh, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

PTI said three bodies had been found so far following the accident on the River Beas, which occurred near the village of Basantipur in Himachal Pradesh's Kangra district.

Army divers were being called in to help search for the rest of the victims, expected to number more than 20, PTI said.

It was not known exactly how many people were on the boat when it capsized.

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#90343d4570 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (DEC. 9) - Saudi Arabia will pay the United States at least two billion dollars by the end of the year to cover some of the cost of the U.S. military buildup here, a U.S. general said on Sunday.

Major General Gus Pagonis, deputy commander for logistics in Saudi Arabia, said the figure was "conservative" as it did not take into account supplies for extra troops being moved here. They will bring U.S. forces from the original deployment of 200,000 personnel to more than 400,000.

Maj. Gen. Pagonis said that since November 1, the Saudis were paying for all food and water, fuel, billeting of U.S. troops, construction and transport provided from Saudi Arabia itself.

He said he knew of two payments already made, one for 670 million dollars covering August, September and part of October.

Maj. Gen. Pagonis said the U.S. deployment, which was now as big an operation as Vietnam, had been facilitated by Saudi Arabia's road system, oil refineries military bases and ports, which were all built much bigger than warranted for the country's immediate needs.

There were numerous oil industry air strips in the desert which could be used by C-130 military transports to re-supply troops in case of war, he said.

Maj. Gen. Pagonis would not say if he could complete deployment of the fresh U.S. troops in time for a U.N. Security Council January 15 deadline authorising the use of force after then to push Iraqi troops out of Kuwait.

He said deployment of the first contingent had been achieved ahead of the timetable, but the new deployment was "a little bit different if only the fact that we're going to do it faster".

He added that regular North Atlantic Treaty Organisation exercises -- Reforger in Europe and Bright Star in South Korea -- had paid off, though they were nowhere near the scale of Operation Desert Shield here.

"No one has ever done it all at one time at this magnitude," he said. But if you're all trained, all you have to do is bring it together. It's a return on the investment in Reforger and Bright Star."

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#90343d4780 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VIENNA (DEC. 9) - Albanian police broke up a demonstration in the Albanian capital on Sunday by students angry over a power failure in two student dormitories in Tirana, the Albanian news agency ATA reported.

The official news agency, in a rare report on unrest in Albania, said "some students attempted to exploit this discontent for political ends" and "provoked the forces of public order and assembled in violation of the law."

"In consequence the forces of public order were obliged to intervene to disperse them," ATA said. It did not say if anyone was injured when police broke up the demonstration.

ATA said that Education Minister Skener Gjinushi and the rector of their university held talks with the students, and that a special government commission would investigate the reasons for the power failure.

ATA did not provide any details on the number of demonstrators or their political demands.

Albania has practiced a rigid form of communism for the past 40 years and is the hardline Marxist state in Eastern Europea. It has implemented a policy of relative openness and liberalization since the beginning of the year.

The first parliamentary elections involving more than one candidate for a single post are to be held in February.

In July last year, several thousand Albanians took refuge in several embassies in the Albanian capital and were eventually allowed to leave the country.

-30- 1606
#90343d4940 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (DEC. 9) - An Iraqi Airways 747 left here Sunday for Frankfurt carrying 268 freed U.S. and British hostages, Western diplomatic sources reported.

They said there were 175 Americans aboard the flight and 93 former British hostages.

The plane was carrying a total of 330 passengers, according to airport sources.

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#90343d4960 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 9) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker Sunday demanded

that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein meet with him by early January at the latest, rejecting the January 12 date proposed by Iraq.

In an interview on the ABC television network, Mr. Baker labeled the January 12 date "basically unacceptable to us," stressing that if Iraq clung to that date, President George Bush would have to make a decision on the meeting's timing.

Mr. Baker said the January 12 Iraqi request simply was too close to the January 15 deadline for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait. The United Nations has authorized the use of force against Iraq after that date if Baghdad has not complied with U.N. resolutions demanding its withdrawal.

"We will not be a party to circumventing the January 15 deadline," the U.S. secretary of state said. Mr. Baker reiterated that his visit to Iraq would not be to negotiate, but rather to demand Iraq's "complete withdrawal from Kuwait."

Iraq's U.N. ambassador Abdul Amir Anbari said earlier in an interview with the NBC television network that "it should not be a problem to find a suitable date" for the talks between Mr. Baker and Mr. Hussein. The Iraqi ambassador said differences were minor between the two countries on the timing of Mr. Baker's trip to the Iraqi capital and the visit of Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz to Washington.

Mr. Baker said in the same interview he was not aware of Iraq's construction of a new border line that would allow Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait while giving itself control over the contested Rumallah oil field.

The secretary of state said, however, that the United States and its allies would demand nothing short of a complete Iraqi withdrawal and that any other response would suggest that aggression does pay.

"After there is compliance (with U.N. resolutions demanding Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait), then Iraq and Kuwait can discuss their differences," Mr. Baker stressed. He added that he anticipated "some sort of a security arrangement" would be necessary in the future to safeguard against Baghdad's military superiority.

Mr. Baker cited as concerns Iraq's chemical weapons arsenal and its efforts to obtain nuclear weapons. In an interview Sunday with NBC, White House National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft emphasized the need to place "weapons of mass destruction under strict international supervision."

The U.S. secretary of state again rejected categorically any linkage of the Gulf crisis to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

He said that the United States therefore would not accept at this time a U.N. resolution before the Security Council that mentions a possible international

conference on the Palestinian issue.

-30- 2962
#90343d4980 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WARSAW (DEC. 9) - Solidarity leader Lech Walesa was elected president of Poland on Sunday with 77 per cent of the vote, according to projections by the German polling institute INFAS, Polish television reported.

His rival, Stanislaw Tyminski, received 23 per cent, INFAS said at the close of polling.

Mr. Walesa, 47, becomes the first popularly-elected president of Poland's post-communist era.

Full official results of the election are not expected to be available until Monday.

-30- 665
#90343d5060 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HYDERABAD, India (DEC. 9) - Troops were deployed in two cities Sunday after three days of violence left nearly 100 people dead in Hindu-Moslem clashes, Indian officials said.

A total of 67 died here in this capital of the southern state of Andhra Pradesh, including 10 killed in police shootings, officials said.

In the northern city of Aligarh, 11 more died, taking the toll up to 30, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

National television said security forces in Aligarh had been ordered to shoot on sight anyone resorting to violence.

The army was called out in Hyderabad and Aligarh, which is administered by Uttar Pradesh state, after renewed violence erupted despite an indefinite curfew in force since Friday. It was the worst outbreak of ethnic violence in Hyderabad in half a century.

PTI said about six of those killed in Aligarh were burnt alive in houses set on fire by mobs. A rash of bombings rocked Aligarh, the agency said, but gave no details.

Soldiers in armoured personnel carriers moved into Hyderabad's Moslem-majority old quarters after thousands of Hindus began fleeing their homes in panic following attacks by frenzied Moslem mobs overnight Saturday, officials said.

Sporadic incidents of violence were still reported to be continuing in the districts despite an indefinite curfew and the deployment of hundreds of police and paramilitary personnel, witnesses said.

"We are giving the city to the army in order to bring the situation under control," Andhra Pradesh state Chief Minister Chenna Reddy declared here at the end of an emergency meeting of his cabinet.

At least 57 people were killed here when thousands of Moslems poured into the streets late Saturday, attacking and looting Hindu homes and shops, witnesses and police said.

Many of the rioters went on a stabbing spree, dragging Hindus out of their homes and slashing them, virtually taking over the thickly-populated commerical and residential areas, police and witnesses said.

Dozens of homes and other buildings were also set on fire.

Police opened fire on the crowds in 18 places to quell the violence, killing 10 rioters. But the violence erupted again Sunday morning.

A seven-year-old Hindu girl, Saraswati, related how her father, a shopkeeper, was forced out of his house and stabbed to death on Saturday. "They (also) attacked my brother and mother with swords."

Residents said a mob torched a house elsewhere, and when two women tried to escape they were caught and pushed back into the fire.

More than 100 people were injured overnight, mostly from stabbing. Fifteen suffered bullet wounds when police opened fire. Some 30 people were injured Sunday in stabbings and police actions.

Hindus and Moslems live in roughly equal numbers in Hyderabad, which has a population of four million and is a reputed centre of learning and the arts. But Moslems outnumber the Hindus in the walled city, or the old quarters.

Police Commissioner Bhaskar Rao said the Moslem attack was a sequel to Wednesday's attack by Hindus on a Moslem politician, Majid Khan, who belongs to the influential Majlis Ittehadul-Muslimeen party. He survived the attack.

But others said it was in apparent retaliation for the Hindu attack on Moslems Friday in which 21 people died, and that the violence was linked to a Hindu-Moslem row over a religious site in the town of Ayodhya in northern India.

On Sunday, the Hindu-revivalist Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) pressed New Delhi to sack Mr. Reddy's administration and take direct control of the coastal province to check the "worsening law and order situation" here.

-30- 3888
#90343d5130 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (DEC. 9) - An advisor to former Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi arrived here Sunday with a message for President Saddam Hussein, the Iraqi News Agency reported.

It said Mr. Gandhi's note, delivered by Romich Bandari, covered bilateral relations and the situation in the Gulf.

Mr. Bandari is scheduled to stay in Baghdad "for several days," according to INA.

India last week hailed the prospect of direct U.S.-Iraqi talks to resolve the Gulf crisis, which was sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90343d5280 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (DEC. 9) - Nigeria's conservative National Republican Convention (NRC) is leading the Social Democratic Convention (SDP), according to early results of Saturday's nationwide local government elections, official radio announced Sunday.

The results showed 75 per cent of NRC candidates for municipal chairmen as successful against 55 per cent for the SDP, the radio said.

These incomplete results showed NRC candidates recording more success in the northern part of the country and their rivals doing better in the south.

But unlike former elections, the voting pattern showed a "spread beyond geographical or ethnic boundaries", spokesman for the National Electoral Commission Tonnie Iredia said.

Full results are not expected until Wednesday.

The formation of the two officially approved parties contesting the poll was announced last year by President Ibrahim Babangida, who rejected all 13 political groups that had applied for registration.

To vote, electors had to stand in line before the photograph of their candidate.

The poll was the first on the way to restored civilian rule, which Gen. Babangida has pledged to introduce by October 1992.

-30- 1374
#90343d5530 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (DEC. 9) - Former U.S. president Jimmy Carter, in a magazine article scheduled to hit the newstands Monday, says President George Bush should be more flexible in planned talks with Iraqi officials.

Writing in Newsweek magazine, Mr. Carter said: "If the exchanges are to be genuine, it will be necessary not to lay down patently unacceptable preconditions or unalterable demands.

"Meetings just to deliver an ultimatum will not be productive; they will likely lead to war."

U.S. proposals for Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz to meet with Mr. Bush in Washington and U.S. Secretary of State James Baker to meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Bagdhad are currently stonewalled over Bagdhad's suggestion that Mr. Baker visited Iraq on January 13, just two days before a U.N. authorization for the use of force against Iraq becomes effective.

Mr. Carter, in his Newswek essay, said that if war were to be averted, "some of the goals of both sides have to be considered."

He said Iraq would have to withdraw from Kuwait and allow the emirate's ousted government to return to power.

But concessions also had to be made by the United States and other members of the U.S.-led "coalition," he said.

For instance, Mr. Carter said it may be necessary to hold an international conference to discuss the situation in Israel's occupied territories, although he rejected Mr. Hussein's call for that conference to be linked with the Gulf conflict.

Other positive moves that could be made by Washington and its allies, suggested Mr. Carter, include a forgiveness of Iraq's external debt and a long-term land-lease to give Iraq direct access to the Gulf.

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#90343d5710 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 9) - Some 3,000 people staged a peaceful demonstration in downtown Moscow on Sunday to mark international human rights day, the official Soviet news agency Tass reported.

The protestors, some carrying portraits of Soviet Nobel Peace Prize winner Andrei Sakharov, who died last December 14, gathered near the Kremlin before marching to KGB headquarters in Moscow, where they held a brief religious service to honor the victims of Stalin.

Tass said that the protest did not attract the 100,000 people expected by the organizers, several democratic organizations in the Soviet capital.

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#90343d6210 12/09/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MEXICO CITY (DEC. 10) - A consortium including a French company and a U.S. partner has won the right to take over Mexico's telephone system, the Finance Ministry said Sunday.

The ministry announced that the winning bid for the right to privatize Mexico's telephones came from a group comprising Carso of Mexico, France Cable and Radio (France Telecom) and Southwestern Bell of the United States.

The Mexican telephone system has a payroll of 67,000 and private analysts have said it is worth about eight billion dollars.

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#90343e0008 12/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 9) EFE - Several people were injured Sunday in an explosion at a chemical factory in the central Siberian town of Tomsk, the Soviet news agency TASS reported.

TASS, which did not specify the number of casualties, said the blast occurred around midday (0500 GMT) when workers switched on a unit which produces ethylene.

Sunday's explosion, the causes of which were not yet clear, is the second so far this year in the factory, according to the news agency.

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#90343e0014 12/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (DEC. 9) EFE - The Army Sunday shot dead at least three leftist guerrillas who were trying to prevent Colombians from voting in elections for a constitutional assembly, an official said.

Clara Elsa Villalba de Sandoval, governor of the northeastern province of Santander where the clash took place, said that National Liberation Army (ELN) rebels had set up a roadblock on a highway to seize identification documents from passers-by, thereby stopping them from voting.

Troops stationed nearby killed at least three of the rebels while several more guerrillas managed to escape, she said.

The Defense Ministry said the incident was +isolated+, as people throughout

the nation went to the polls +in total calm+ to elect a 70-member National Constituent Assembly which will rewrite the 1886 constitution.

The pro-Cuban ELN and the Colombian Revolutionary Armed Forces -- the country's two main left-wing guerrilla groups -- have criticized the elections but Sunday issued a joint statement saying they were prepared to enter into dialogue with the Assembly on the new constitution.

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#90343e0024 12/09/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

GUATEMALA CITY (DEC. 9) EFE - The tortured body of a Guatemalan human rights leader was found Sunday along a highway outside the capital, a spokesman for the dead man's rights organization said.

The Mutual Support Group (GAM) spokesman said residents from the nearby town of Villa Caneles found the mutilated body of Oscar Agusto Miranda, 29, on a stretch of highway 18.5 km outside the capital.

Agusto Miranda was abducted Thursday from his home by unknown assailants.

He was a leading member of GAM, a self-help group set up by the families of some 40,000 people who are missing or believed killed by security forces under previous military governments.

Several government officials have accused GAM of having links to leftist rebels.

Some 100,000 people have died in three decades of political violence in Guatemala. Some of the victims were GAM members, but most were peasants, labor activists and leftists killed by the Army in counter-insurgency operations.

Last week, 14 civilians were shot dead when troops opened fire on a crowd of people, mostly indigenous Indians, as they approached the Army barracks in the town of Santiago Atitlan, 120 km west of the capital.

On Thursday, the Defense Ministry said that two soldiers would be tried as instigators of the massacre.

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#90343t3337 12/09/1990 ~ts

CAIRO (DEC. 9) TASS - TWO HUNDRED AMERICANS, WHO VOLUNTEERED TO SERVE IN THE ISRAELI ARMY, WILL COME TO ISRAEL IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS, THE EGYPTIAN NEWSPAPER AL-AHRAM REPORTS TODAY.

THEY WILL SERVE INSIDE ARMY CAMPS. VOLUNTEERS FROM FRANCE AND SOUTH AFRICA ARE ALSO SUPPOSED TO COME TO ISRAEL BY THE END OF THE YEAR.

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#90343u0044 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

ATLANTIC CITY, NJ (DEC. 9) UPI - Mike Tyson brutalized Alex Stewart from the opening punch and decked him three times Saturday night before the referee ended the rampage at 2:27 of the first round.

With the drive to punish that terrorized opponents until he lost the title last February, Tyson dropped Stewart for the third time with a left hook that was enough for referee Frank Cappuccino.

Tyson had entered the ring with a good sweat and the menace in his eyes that was trademark of his reign. His second punch sent Stewart to the canvas and the message was sent.

Stewart was up at the count of ''4'' and Tyson delivered a right to the body. The former champion slipped and actually was down for a second before bouncing up to knock down Stewart for the second time with a chopping right.

Stewart barely made it up at ''9'' and while Tyson had answered all the questions, the only one that remained for Stewart was if he could survive the round.

Tyson, 39-1 with 34 KOS, was a 9 1/2 to 1 favorite in Las Vegas, Nev.

Stewart, 26-2 with 26 knockouts, suffered his second loss in four fights since going 24-0 with 24 knockouts to start his professional career.

In his only other fight against an opponent of stature, Stewart lost to current champion Evander Holyfield in eight rounds Nov. 4, 1989.

Tyson, in his second bout since losing the title to James ''Buster'' Douglas, had fought one round since then. In June, he knocked out Henry Tillman in the first round, then was scheduled to fight Stewart Sept. 22. However, during sparring 23 days before the planned fight, he was cut badly and needed 48 stitches to close the gash over his right eye.

So impressed was Tyson with Dr. Ira Trocki's work, he used him as the cut man for this fight.

Tyson also in the past year sustained injury to his left eye, during the Douglas loss, but Saturday, he looked on the way back to rebuilding a reputation for striking fear in opponents.

The youngest heavyweight champion in history, Tyson won his first title in 1986 at age 20, less than 20 months after turning professional. He unified the titles in 1987, becoming the first undisputed champion since Muhammad Ali.

Among his nine successful title defenses was Tyson's 91-second knockout of Michael Spinks that perpetuated Tyson's aura of invincibility.

He lost the title as the biggest favorite in heavyweight history with Douglas's 10th-round knockout Feb. 11, 1990 in Tokyo.

Tyson gave away five inches in height and eight in reach while weighing 217 3-4 - his ideal fighting weight. Stewart weighed 218.

Tyson earned about $5 million for the last bout in his longtime deal with Home Boxing Office and Stewart made $535,000.

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#90343u0084 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW (DEC. 9) UPI - Poland voted Sunday for its first popularly elected president, with Solidarity leader Lech Walesa favored over emigre Canadian businessman Stanislaw Tyminski following a bitter campaign.

Polls opened at 6 a.m. and were to close at 8 p.m. for some 27.5 million eligible voters. Some 22,500 polling stations were set up around the country.

The German polling firm INFAS, which has monitored most elections in Eastern Europe's newly emerging democracies in the past two years, was monitoring 300 of the polling stations and was expected to announce its projections shortly after the voting ended.

The election, whose first stage took place Nov. 25, was the first wholly free balloting in Poland since before World War II. The June 1989 parliamentary elections that put Solidarity into office were only partially free.

Walesa, whose backers helped force an early presidential election to replace the former communist leader, Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, is the heavy favorite in the election following revelations that Tyminski has links with former communist VIPs and with the former secret police.

The final poll released before the election showed Walesa with 73 percent support compared to 16 percent for Tyminski, with 11 percent undecided. That compared with 58 percent for Walesa and 30 percent for Tyminski the previous week.

But the survey firm, OBOP, cautioned that some of those surveyed may have been afraid to show their support publicly for Tyminski.

Tyminski, an expatriate businessman from Canada and Peru, burst onto the political scene in mid-November as one of six candidates who won the support of 100,000 voters to run for president.

He edged out Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki for second place on Nov. 25 to earn the right to challenge the favorite, Walesa.

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#90343u0116 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 9) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR:

(All times EST)

Basketball

Orlando at Portland, 10 p.m.
Indiana at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Football

Minnesota at NY Giants, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
New England at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Phoenix at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Seattle vs. Green Bay at Milwaukee, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Houston, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Washington, 4 p.m.
Denver at Kansas City, 4 p.m.
New Orleans at LA Rams, 4 p.m.
Philadelphia at Miami, 8 p.m.

Golf

LPGA World Match Play Championship, Maui, Hawaii
PGA Team Championship, Wellington, Fla.
GTE Kaanapali GC (Seniors), Lahaina, Hawaii.

Hockey

Boston at Buffalo, 7:05 p.m.
Calgary at Edmonton, 8:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.

Soccer

Dallas at St. Louis, 7:05 p.m.

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#90343u0117 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 9) UPI - President Bush is spending the night at the White House after returning from a South American tour that took him to five nations. Bush will go to church in the morning... and is expected to confer with aides and continue monitoring events in the Persian Gulf before attending an evening

christmas celebration. Bush returned to Washington still talking tough about Iraq, saying war remains an option as long as Iraqi troops remain in Kuwait.

The State Department says its embassy in Baghdad has chartered a plane to fly Americans from the Iraqi capital and Kuwait to Frankfurt, Germany, Sunday. But the department says it's still waiting for an Iraqi response on when the nearly one-thousand Americans held by Iraq can leave. A spokesman for former Texas Governor John Connally says Connally flew out of Baghdad Saturday with about 30 Americans.

The shuttle Columbia may be coming home early due to a clogged line that has left the astronauts unable to flush a tank holding waste water into space. Flight controllers told the crew they may be looking at a Monday landing. However, if work to find additional storage space for the shuttle's waste water is successful, the astronauts may get in a full-duration 10-day flight.

Moscow's deputy mayor says foreign economic help will be needed ''at least until spring'' to held cities dealing with shortages of food and other supplies. But the official says while the nation does need help it is NOT Ethiopia and the capital is NOT on the verge of famine. Official Soviet television Saturday night called the nation's distribution system ''paralyzed.''

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#90343u0131 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 9) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

(All Times EST)

Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	17	11	5	39	124	99
Philadelphia	17	13	2	36	113	104
New Jersey	16	11	4	36	122	104
Washington	17	15	0	34	108	99
Pittsburgh	12	15	3	27	119	117
NY Islanders	9	16	2	20	75	106

Adams Division

Montreal	16	13	3	35	104	99
Boston	15	10	4	34	94	95
Hartford	13	13	4	30	88	94
Buffalo	10	11	7	27	87	88
Quebec	6	19	6	18	87	135

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	20	9	2	42	103	74
St. Louis	17	9	3	37	99	80
Detroit	13	12	4	30	108	113
Minnesota	9	16	6	24	88	101
Toronto	7	24	1	15	84	138

Smythe Division

Los Angeles	16	7	5	37	117	89
Calgary	16	10	4	36	126	97
Vancouver	13	13	3	29	93	100
Edmonton	11	14	2	24	84	81
Winnipeg	9	17	6	24	105	115

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(DEC. 9) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	15	4	.789	-
Philadelphia	13	6	.684	2
New York	7	11	.389	7 1/2
New Jersey	7	11	.389	7 1/2
Washington	6	12	.333	8 1/2
Miami	5	12	.294	9

Central Division

Milwaukee	13	5	.722	-
Detroit	14	6	.700	-
Chicago	12	7	.632	1 1/2
Cleveland	10	10	.500	4
Charlotte	8	10	.444	5
Indiana	8	12	.400	6
Atlanta	7	11	.389	6

Western Conference

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	10	5	.667	-
Utah	12	7	.632	-

Houston	11	8	.579	1
Dallas	6	11	.353	5
Minnesota	6	12	.333	5 1/2
Orlando	5	15	.250	7 1/2
Denver	4	15	.211	8

Pacific Division

Portland	18	1	.947	-
Golden State	12	7	.631	6
LA Lakers	10	6	.625	6 1/2
Phoenix	10	7	.588	7
LA Clippers	9	9	.500	8 1/2
Seattle	5	11	.312	11 1/2
Sacramento	3	14	.176	14

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(DEC. 9) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

Minnesota - Offered salary arbitration to outfielder Randy Bush.

Montreal - Offered salary arbitration to pitcher Dave Schmidt.

Oakland - Offered salary arbitration to pitcher Scott Sanderson.

Pittsburgh - Offered salary arbitration to outfielder Gary Redus and catcher Don Slaught.

St. Louis - Offered salary arbitration to infielder Denny Walling.

College

Auburn - Named Tommy Bowden football offensive coordinator.

Hockey

Hartford - Recalled defenseman Adam Burt from Springfield of the AHL. Sent right wing Mark Greig to same club.

Los Angeles - Extended contract of General Manager Rogie Vachon for three years.

Minnesota - Recalled defenseman Neil Wilkinson and forward Warren Babe from Kalamazoo of the IHL.

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BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (DEC. 9) UPI - Voters in the republics of Serbia and Montenegro cast ballots Sunday in elections that will determine the fate of Yugoslavia's last surviving communist regimes.

The republics' first multi-party polls in 45 years will have a major impact on Yugoslavia's constitutional crisis, which has fueled fears of a civil war or preemptive action by the conservative Marxist-led army to preserve the multi-ethnic nation of 23 million against the strains of resurging nationalism.

Attention was focused almost exclusively on Serbia, the largest of the six Yugoslav republics, where 6.86 million people were eligible to chose between 32 candidates for president and 1,705 hopefuls for the 250-seat unicameral assembly.

A boycott was expected by voters of the 1.7 million-strong ethnic Albanian majority of Serbia's restive Kosovo Province.

Forty-four parties were involved in the contests, the major contenders being the ruling communists, running under the new name of the Socialist Party of Serbia, the right-wing nationalist Serbian Renewal Movement and the right-center Democratic Party.

Montenegro, many of whose 600,000 people claim to be Serbs, was electing a new president, four vice presidents and a 125-member unicameral assembly.

Some 389,155 people were eligible to chose between the ruling hard- line Communist Party, the nationalist Popular Party, and the Alliance of Reformist Forces, formed by federal Prime Minister Ante Markovic to promote his program of Western-style reforms.

Twelve hours of polling opened at 7 a.m. First results from Serbia were expected by midday Monday, while preliminary returns in Montenegro were due Tuesday.

In both republics, runoffs will be held Dec. 23 in races in which no candidate wins 51 percent of the ballots.

Serbia's communists, under President Slobodan Milosevic, were given the advantage because of their total grip on the republic's print and broadcast media, which for the past three years have waged an intense pro-government propaganda campaign.

In addition, the regime remains in complete control of the economy and bureaucracy and has been fanning Serbian nationalism to compensate for a loss of popularity fueled by the defeats of communist governments in other Yugoslav

republics earlier this year and across Eastern Europe in 1989.

Opposition leaders have reiterated fears that the communists would rig the elections, and canceled a boycott only after Milosevic agreed to given their representatives seats on the commissions that will count the ballots.

The boycott in Kosovo was called by the main ethnic Albanian party to protest against the dissolution of the provincial government and elimination of virtually all autonomy under a new Serbian constitution enacted by the communists in September.

Ethnic Albanians, claiming discrimination by Serbia, are demanding that Kosovo be made Yugoslavia's seventh republic. Serbs, of whom there are only 200,000 in Kosovo and 8.5 million in the rest of Yugoslavia, cherish the province as the ''cradle'' of their state, culture and Orthodox faith.

The outcome of the elections will determine Serbia's stand in a crisis over the future shape of Yugoslavia ignited by the breakup in January of the national communist organization that seized power at the end of World War II.

Nationalist parties elected in multi-party polls last spring in Croatia and Slovenia, fearing domination of the federation by majority Serbs, are threatening to secede unless Yugoslavia adopts a new constitution transforming the country into a confederation of independent states linked by trade.

Milosevic has refused to negotiate on the issue, saying he will accept confederation only if Serbia's borders are enlarged to include Serbian enclaves now in other republics, a demand regarded as a certain formula for civil war. The Montenegrin communists side with Milosevic.

The military also opposes confederation and has indicated that it would use force to preserve the federation forged in 1945 and the socialist system.

Serbia's main opposition leaders say they would negotiate with Croatia and Slovenia on finding a solution to the dispute.

In addition to Slovenia and Croatia, nationalist parties won the largest shares of seats in multi-party polls held in Macedonia and Bosnia-Hercegovina. Federal parliamentary elections have been delayed until at least next spring because of the constitutional crisis.

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(DEC. 9) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

BOSTON (96)

Bird 5-17 1-2 11, Gamble 8-10 4-7 20, Parish 9-16 0-0 18, Shaw 9-11 5-5 23, Lewis 6-14 0-0 12, McHale 4-7 4-6 12, Kleine 0-2 0-0 0, Brown 0-2 0-0 0.

Totals 41-79 14-20 96.

SAN ANTONIO (102)

Elliott 5-13 4-7 14, Cummings 3-15 1-2 7, Robinson 10-23 7-8 27, Strickland 7-16 0-0 14, Anderson 12-18 2-4 27, Greenwood 1-2 4-5 6, Pressey 1-1 0-0 3, Williams 1-8 2-4 4, Schintzius 0-0 0-0 0, Massenburg 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 40-96 20-30 102.

Boston	34	24	16	22- 96
San Antonio	28	19	28	27-102

Three-points goals-Anderson 1, Pressey 1. Rebounds-Boston 46 (Parish 16), San Antonio 43 (Robinson 13). Assists-Boston 20 (Bird 7), San Antonio 17 (Strickland 6). Technicals-none. A-15,908.

HOUSTON (113)

Johnson 5-11 2-3 12, Thorpe 11-22 5-6 28, Olajuwon 10-20 4-5 24, Maxwell 3-11 6-7 14, K. Smith 7-12 2-2 17, Floyd 2-8 2-2 6, D Wood 1-1 0-0 2, Feitl 2-2 0-0 4, L. Smith 0-1 0-0 0, Winchester 3-3 0-0 6.

Totals 44-91 21-25 113.

DALLAS (107)

McCray 5-10 2-2 12, White 3-5 3-3 9, Donaldson 4-6 3-4 11, Harper 11-20 5-8 30 Blackman 11-18 8-9 30, English 4-6 0-0 8, Williams 1-6 1-2 3, Davis 1-5 0-0 3 Shasky 0-0 1-1 1, Alford 0-1 0-0 0.

Totals 40-77 23-29 107.

Houston	30	26	30	27-113
Dallas	24	23	33	27-107

Three-point goals-Thorpe 1, Maxwell 2, Smith 1, Harper 3, Davis 1. Rebounds-Houston 46 (Thorpe 16), Dallas 34 (McCray 8). Assists-Houston 25 (K. Smith 8), Dallas 21 (Harper 9). Technicals-Dallas coach Adubato, Williams, Olajuwon. A-17,007.

PORTLAND (109)

Kersey 7-11 1-2 15, Williams 4-12 0-0 8, Duckworth 4-16 4-4 12, Drexler 11-20 5-6 29, Porter 9-16 5-6 25, Ainge 5-9 0-0 12, Robinson 3-8 0-0 6, Cooper 1-2

0-0 2, Bryant 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 44-95 15-18 109.

CHICAGO (101)

Pippen 8-12 3-4 20, Grant 2-6 1-2 5, Cartwright 5-11 2-2 12, Paxson 1-7 0-0 2, Jordan 16-28 3-4 35, Levingston 3-5 0-0 6, Hopson 0-0 2-4 2, Perdue 0-0 0-0 0, Armstrong 3-7 2-2 8, King 3-3 3-4 0, Williams 0-0 0, Hodges 1-4 0-0 2.

Totals 42-85 16-22 101.

Portland	33	27	17	33--109
Chicago	30	17	24	30--101

Three-point field goals-Ainge 2, Drexler 2, Porter 2, Pippen 1. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Portland 20, Chicago 18. Rebounds- Portland 40 (Duckworth 10), Chicago 48 (Pippen 14). Assists-Portland 28 (Porter 10), Chicago 30 (Paxson 11). Technicals- none. A-18,676.

CLEVELAND (99)

Ehlo 5-9 1-2 11, Nance 10-17 8-10 28, Daugherty 5-14 5-7 15, Paddio 3-8 2-2 8, Valentine 3-8 0-0 6, Kerr 2-4 4-4 9, Brown 1-3 4-6 6, Morton 1-4 0-0 2, Ferry 4-5 4-6 12, Chievous 0-3 2-2 2.

Totals 34-75 30-39 99.

INDIANA (114)

Person 4-10 1-2 9, Thompson 1-4 0-0 2, Smits 4-8 6-6 14, Fleming 13-18 3-5 29, Miller 10-15 3-4 24, Schrempf 9-12 2-2 21, Sanders 5-7 0-0 10, M. Williams 0-0 2-2 2, K. Williams 0-2 0-0 0, McCloud 1-3 0-0 3.

Totals 47-79 17-21 114.

Cleveland	32	20	17	30- 99
Indiana	29	26	31	28-114

Three-point shots-Kerr, Miller, Schrempf, McCloud. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Cleveland 19, Indiana 28. Rebounds-Cleveland 29 (Daugherty 10), Indiana 38 (Smits 9). Assists-Cleveland 19 (Daugherty 4), Indiana 31 (Fleming 11). Technicals-Indiana illegal defense 3. A-9,641.

UTAH (105)

Edwards 3-6 1-2 7, K.Malone 11-19 5-10 27, Eaton 2-6 0-0 4, J.Malone 8-15 4-5 20, Stockton 9-16 7-8 27, Rudd 1-4 0-0 2, Bailey 2-7 3-4 7, Griffith 3-5 0-0 6

Brown 1-1 2-4 4.

Totals 40-79 22-33 105.

LA CLIPPERS (95)

Norman 11-19 2-2 24, Smith 7-20 4-6 18, Benjamin 2-3 5-6 9, Grant 6-11 0-0 12, Kimble 1-5 0-1 2, Garland 4-9 3-4 11, Manning 5-10 3-5 13, Garrick 0-1 2-2 2, Vaught 2-3 0-0 4, Bannister 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 38-81 19-26 95.

Utah	25	28	24	28-105
LA Clippers	16	21	31	27- 95

Three-point goals-Stockton 2, Griffith 1. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Utah 24, Clippers 26. Rebounds-Utah 38 (Eaton 9), LA Clippers 38 (Norman 13). Assists-Utah 30 (Stockton 23), LA Clippers 22 (Grant 11). Technicals- K. Malone, LA Clippers illegal Defense 2. A-13,522.

DETROIT (104)

Rodman 6-9 0-0 12, Edwards 6-12 4-5 16, Laimbeer 4-5 1-1 10, Thomas 6-11 3-5 15, Dumars 5-11 7-8 17, Johnson 4-6 1-2 9, Salley 3-5 7-9 13, Aguirre 5-10 2-2 12, Rollins 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 39-69 25-32 104.

SACRAMENTO (93)

Simmons 8-15 3-4 19, Tisdale 10-26 4-11 24, Causwell 0-1 0-0 0, Sparrow 6-9 0-0 12, Mays 4-12 5-5 14, Wennington 1-2 0-0 2, Carr 7-14 1-3 15, Leckner 0-1 0-0 0, Wood 0-3 0-0 0, Hansen 3-4 1-2 7.

Totals 39-87 14-25 93.

Detroit	24	29	26	25-104
Sacramento	21	18	23	31- 93

Three-point goals-Laimbeer 1, Mays 1. Fouled out-Aguirre, Mays. Total fouls-Detroit 23, Sacramento 27. Rebounds-Detroit 34 (Rodman 11), Sacramento 38 (Simmons 11, Tisdale 11). Assists-Detroit 27 (Thomas 17), Sacramento 22 (Sparrow 5). Technicals-Thomas, Detroit coach Daly, Tisdale, Sacramento coach Motta. A-17,014.

PHOENIX (113)

Majerle 6-10 5-6 17, Chambers 8-18 4-5 21, West 5-8 1-2 11, Johnson 8-13 10-12

26, Hornacek 5-13 2-2 13, McDaniel 8-15 1-2 17, Rambis 1-2 4-8 6, Perry 0-2 2-2 2.

Totals 41-81 29-39 113.

ORLANDO (109)

Scott 7-14 4-7 20, Catledge 12-20 6-7 30, Kite 3-6 0-0 6, Skiles 5-10 3-3 13, Smith 7-19 3-4 18, Anderson 2-5 1-2 5, Wiley 0-2 0-0 0, Acres 1-2 0-0 2, Reynolds 5-17 1-1 11, Ansley 2-2 0-0 4, Turner 0-2 0-0 0.

Totals 44-99 18-24 109.

Phoenix	35	28	27	23	- 113
Orlando	26	22	40	21	- 109

Three-point goals-Scott 2, Chambers, Hornacek, Smith 1. Total fouls-Phoenix 19, Orlando 26. Rebounds-Phoenix 49 (West, McDaniel 9), Orlando 40 (Catledge 12). Assists-Phoenix 25 (Johnson 12), Orlando 23 Skiles 8). Technicals-Phoenix Coach Fitzsimmons, Skiles. A-15,077.

DENVER (126)

Woolridge 15-23 3-3 33, Lane 4-8 1-4 9, Rasmussen 7-14 1-1 15, Adams 7-15 8-10 25, Lichti 7-16 4-6 18, Davis 8-15 2-2 18, Wolf 0-0 2-2 2, Jackson 3-9 0-0 6, Cook 0-3 0-0 0, Liberty 0-0 0-2 0, Johnson 0-1 0-0 0.

Totals 51-104 21-30 126.

CHARLOTTE (119)

Newman 5-8 4-4 15, Gilliam 11-17 5-6 27, Reid 2-8 4-4 8, Bogues 0-7 0-1 0, Chapman 13-26 9-11 36, Gattison 7-11 0-0 14, Tripucka 2-8 1-1 5, Curry 3-7 0-0 6, Gill 2-9 2-2 6, Keys 0-0 0-0 0, Hoppen 1-1 0-0 2.

Totals 46-102 25-29 119.

Denver	43	24	29	30-126
Charlotte	37	30	28	24-119

Three-point goals-Adams 3, Newman, Chapman. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Denver 20, Charlotte 20. Rebounds-Denver 54 (Lane 21), Charlotte 49 (Gattison 12). Assists-Denver 30 (Adams 13), Charlotte 33 (Bogues 12). Technicals-Charlotte (delay of game), Reid, Denver (delay of game), Lane, Woolridge. A-23,901.

NEW YORK (86)

Mustaf 1-6 0-0 2, Oakley 1-2 4-4 6, Ewing 8-17 5-8 21, Cheeks 1-3 3-4 5, G. Wilkins 7-19 6-6 21, Starks 9-15 2-3 20, Jackson 1-5 2-2 4, Quinnett 0-1 0-0 0 E. Wilkins 3-6 1-4 7.

ATLANTA (99)

D. Wilkins 10-23 5-5 26, Willis 4-7 1-1 9, Koncak 3-5 0-0 6, Rivers 8-18 5-5 21, Webb 9-11 2-2 22, Battle 4-11 3-4 11, McCormick 2-5 0-0 4, Malone 0-2 0-0 0, Moncrief 0-3 0-0 0.

Totals 40- 85 16-17 99.

New York	28	21	17	20-86
Atlanta	39	23	23	14-99

Three-point goals-G. Wilkins 1, D. Wilkins 1, Webb 2. Fouled out-none. Total fouls- New York 20, Atlanta 21. Rebounds-New York 45 (Ewing 13), Atlanta 42 (Koncak 9, Rivers 9). Assists-New York 22 (Jackson 6), Atlanta 26 (D. Wilkins 8). Technicals- Atlanta illegal defense 2, Willis, New York illegal defense 2. A-14,142.

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (DEC. 9) UPI - Authorities have allowed 25 senior African National Congress members to enter South Africa after detaining the group at an airport upon their return from exile, an ANC official said Sunday.

Following appeals by ANC Deputy President Nelson Mandela to government officials in Pretoria, authorities at Johannesburg's Jan Smuts airport permitted the group to pass through customs late Saturday, said Yusuf Saloojee international department administrative secretary for the ANC.

The 25 arrived Friday and Saturday and were held in a transit lounge ''most certainly against their wishes and against the spirit of an agreement we had with the government ... . These people were detained,'' Saloojee said.

Airport and government officials had no comment.

The group consisted mainly of ANC representatives to the movement's missions abroad, and they were returning to attend the ANC's consultative conference in Johannesburg, due to begin in mid-December.

Saloojee said the government had ''tacitly agreed to let these 25 return for our consultative conference,'' which will discuss and review policy.

The government in August consented to a phased return of an estimated 25,000 political exiles following two rounds of preliminary talks with the ANC that

by Aug. 6 cleared the way to full-blown power-sharing negotiations on ending 42 years of white minority rule.

But ANC officials have since demanded that exiles be allowed to return at will citing especially the need for large-scale representation at the December conference.

Pretoria has stood by the agreements on a gradual return, and has also required all returning exiles to sign statements detailing any politically motivated activities for which they might require indemnity from prosecution.

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(DEC. 9) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Philadelphia	0	0	0--0
Minnesota	3	2	2--7

First period-1, Minnesota, Tinordi 2 (Propp, Modano), 6:51. 2, Minnesota, Propp 10 (Broten, Murphy), pp, 9:42. 3, Minnesota, Duchesne 3 (Tinordi, Taglianetti), 15:31.

Penalties-Berube, Phi, 8:32; Horacek, Phi, major (fighting), 11:01; DePalma, Min, major (fighting), 11:01; Churla, Min, 12:18; Berube, Phi, (misconduct), 15:10.

Second period-4, Minnesota, Glynn 2 (Modano, Babe), 6:27. 5, Minnesota, Gagner 13 (Broten), pp, 12:18.

Penalties-Tinordi, Min, 2:53; Tinordi, Min, major (fighting), 8:37; Tocchet, Phi, minor (served by Mellanby), major (fighting), 8:37; Kushner, Phi, major (fighting) misconduct, 14:20; Zettler, Min, major (fighting), 14:20; Taglianetti, Min, 14:20; Berube, Phi, 14:20.

Third period-6, Minnesota, Modano 8 (Murphy), pp, 4:00. 7, Minnesota, Smith 7 (unassisted), 18:57.

Penalties-Tocchet, Phi, double-minor (served by Berube) misconduct :24.

Shots on goal-Philadelphia 6-10-6-22. Minnesota 14-14-9-37.

Power-play conversions-Philadelphia 3-0, Minnesota 5-3.

Goalies-Philadelphia, Peeters, Wregget. Minnesota, Hayward. A-6,711.

Referee-Mick McGeough.

Chicago	1	1	0	--2
Toronto	1	0	0	--1

First period-1, Chicago, Gilbert 4 (unassisted), :26. 2, Toronto, Broten 6 (DeBlois, Maguire).

Penalties-Konroyd, Chi, 2:03, Lemieux, Chi, 5:33, Thomas, Chi major (fighting) 13:25, Petit, Tor, major (fighting), 13:25, Gilbert, Chi, 19:38, Ramage, Tor, (double-minor, 19:38.

Second period-3, Chicago, Larmer 20 (Goulet, Chelios), pp, 8:49.

Penalties - Creighton, Chi, 2:11, Iafrate, Tor, 8:24, Ramage, Tor, 9:06, Roenick, Chi, 10:07, Hannan, Tor, 10:07, Toronto bench (served by Shedden), 13:19.

Third period-None.

Penalties-Lemieux, Chi, 5:54, Gill, Tor, 5:54.

Shots on goal-Chicago 12-11-6-29. Toronto 10-9-9-28.

Goaltenders-Chicago, Belfour. Toronto, Ing.

Power-play conversions-Chicago 4-1. Toronto 3-0. A-16,382.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

Boston	0	0	1	--1
Montreal	3	0	4	--7

First period-1, Montreal, Lebeau 12 (Corson, Keane), 6:28. 2, Montreal, Schneider, 5 (Pederson, Lebeau), pp, 7:38. 3, Montreal, Pederson 6 (Lebeau, Chorske), pp, 18:27.

Penalties-Corson, Mtl, 0:27; Galley, Bos, 6:50; Nilan, Bos, minor (misconduct) 11:50; Corson, Mtl, 11:50; Wesley, Bos, 18:12.

Second period-None.

Penalties-Carbonneau, Mtl, 6:53; Keane, Mtl, 7:21; Bourque, Bos, 12:01; Niland Bos, minor-major (fighting), 16:52; Corson, Mtl, 16:52; Odelein, Mtl, major (fighting), 16:52.

Third period-4, Boston, Ruzicka 1 (Christian), 3:10. 5, Montreal, Courtnall 9 (Carbonneau, Brunet), 8:05. 6, Montreal, Lefevre 2 (Carbonneau), 16:02. 7, Montreal, Pederson 7 (Richer), 18:29. 8, Montreal, Skrudland 9 (Pederson, Richer), 18:38.

Penalty-Svoboda, Mtl, 10:14.

Shots on goal-Boston 1-6-14-22. Montreal 7-6- 9-23.

Power-play conversions-Boston 4-0. Montreal 3-2.

Goalies-Boston, Moog; Lemelin (0:00 of 2nd). Montreal, Roy. A-17,955.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Washington	2	0	0	--2
New Jersey	1	3	0	--4

First period-1, Washington, Hatcher 12 (Ridley, Bondra) 7:03. 2, Washington, Leach 7 (Hatcher, Kypreos) 10:16. 3, New Jersey, Morris 2 (Shanahan, Kasatonov), 14:54.

Penalties-Leach, Was, 4:20; Norwood, Was, 4:20; Norwood, Was, (misconduct), 4:20; Conacher, NJ, 5:01; Kypreos, Was, 10:16; Daneyko, NY, 10:16; Stewart, NJ 10:16; Bondra, Was, 12:39; Leach, Was, major (fighting) 15:11; Stewart, NJ, major (fighting), 15:11; Daneyko, NJ, 19:30.

Second period-4, New Jersey, Shanahan 11 (MacLean), 5:43. 5, New Jersey, MacLean 20 (Stastny, Shanahan), 8:18. 6, New Jersey, Brown 4 (Conacher, Daneyko), 17:16.

Penalties-Kypreos, Was, double-minor, 9:03; MacLean, NJ, 11:09; MacLean, NJ, 17:57.

Third period-None.

Penalties-Hunter, Was, 9:28.

Shots on goal-Washington 15-12-5-32. New Jersey 9-17-11-37.

Power-play conversions-Washington 5-0, New Jersey 4-0.

Goalies-Washington, Beaupre. New Jersey, Terreri. A-13,300.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

Pittsburgh	0	0	1	-1
Hartford	0	1	2	-3

First period-None.

Penalties-Brown, Pit, 1:25; Verbeek, Har, 1:25; Johnson, Pit, 2:30; Cote, Har,

12:28; Cullen, Pit, 13:30; Samuelsson, Har, 13:30; Francis, Har, 15:32; Stevens, Har, 19:57.

Second period-1, Hartford, Young 6 (Burt, Francis), 11:54.

Penalty-None.

Third period-2, Pittsburgh, Cullen 11 (Brown), 2:24. 3, Hartford, Burt 2 (Francis), 5:43. 4, Hartford, Tomlak 4 (unassisted), 9:50.

Penalties-Pederson, Pit, 4:37; Evason, Har, 4:37; Errey, Pit, (double-minor) 14:25; Verbeek, Har, 14:25; Jagr, Pit, 18:26; Verbeek, Har, 18:26.

Shots on goal-Pittsburgh 12-8-6-26. Hartford 12-12-10-34.

Power-play conversions-Pittsburgh 2-0. Hartford 3-0.

Goaltenders-Pittsburgh, W.Young. Hartford, Reaugh. A-12,735.

Referee-Richard Trottier.

Detroit	0	1	0	-1
St. Louis	1	1	0	-2

First period-1, St. Louis, Ronning 5 (G. Cavallini, Hull), 3:14.

Penalties-Brown, Stl, 6:56; Chiasson, Det, 11:01.

Second period-2, Detroit, Chiasson 1 (Yzerman, Ysebaert), 8:36. 3, St. Louis, Sutter 8 (Marois, Courtnall), 18:59.

Penalties-Bassen, Stl, 1:36; Ysebaert, Det, 1:36; Kocur, Det, 4:36; Chiasson, Det, 5:25; MacLean, Stl, 5:18; Marois, Stl, 10:47; Wilson, Stl, 19:21; Lowry, Stl, minor (game misconduct), 19:41.

Third period-None.

Penalties-Chiasson, Det, 12:44; Racine, Det, 17:48.

Shots on goal-Detroit 9-13-8-30. St. Louis 11- 13-8-32.

Power play-Detroit 4-0. St. Louis 5-0.

Goaltenders-Detroit, Hanlon. St. Louis, Riendeau. A-16,280.

Referee- Andy Van Hellemond.

Winnipeg	0	3	1	0--4

Los Angeles 3 0 1 0--4

First period-1, Los Angeles, Robitaille 13 (Elik, Buskas), 4:55. 2, Los Angeles, Jones 4 (Tonelli, Robinson), 5:17. 3, Los Angeles, Granato 13 (Gretzky, Robitaille), pp, 9:30.

Penalties-G. Donnelly, Win, (double-minor), 3:44; Gretzky, LA, 4:08; Paslawski Win, 8:15; Cronin, Win, (double-minor), 9:30; Sykes, Win, 9:30; Robitaille, LA, 9:30; Granato, LA, 9:30; Watters, LA, 13:13; Elynuik, Win, 15:52.

Second period-4, Winnipeg, MacDermid 6 (Sykes, Housley), 1:18. 5, Winnipeg, Numminen 4 (Barber, Kumpel), 11:15. 6, Winnipeg, Elynuik 12 (Cole, Olausson), 15:25.

Penalties-Arniel, Win, 2:Zn74 O!a, Win, minor-major (fighting), 5:39; Jones, LA, major (fighting), 5:39; Taylor, LA, 17:04.

Third period-7, Winnipeg, Olausson 8 (Evans, Housley), pp, 0:44. 8, Los Angeles, Robitaille 14 (Gretzky, Duchesne), pp, 8:21.

Penalties-Kudelski, LA, 0:21; Ashton, Win, minor (misconduct), 8:09; Granato, LA, 8:39.

Overtime-None.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 4-8-7-2-21. Los Angeles 17-13-10-0-40.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 4-1. Los Angeles 8-2.

Goaltenders-Winnipeg, Essensa. Los Angeles, Hrudey. A-16,005.

Referee-Rob Shick.

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (DEC. 9) UPI - Attackers killed one policeman and injured four in black townships overnight during countrywide politically motivated violence, police said Sunday.

A surge of black internecine strife around midnight Saturday also killed at least six people in the troubled township of Thokoza, east of Johannesburg, a police spokesman said.

Unknown assailants hacked to death a constable in Cape Town's township of Khayelitsha, gunmen fired on a police foot patrol in Natal province's

Chesterville township and three other policemen were wounded.

A similar attack near Natal's Umkomaas left one officer injured, police said in their daily report on South Africa's political strife.

They said police fatally shot one suspected attacker after the Umkomaas incident and wounded another.

The spokesman said a patrol in Thokoza found the bodies of the six people after they had been hacked, stabbed or shot to death in factional violence.

Thokoza was a major flashpoint during South Africa's worst outbreak of urban faction fighting, over six weeks to mid-September, when battles between predominantly Xhosa supporters of the African National Congress and Zulus of the Inkatha Freedom Party killed up to 800 people.

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#90343u0174 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 9) UPI - A jetliner carrying about two dozen American hostages landed in Texas early Sunday, returning the latest group of Western captives to freedom three days after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein decided to relinquish his human shields.

A privately owned Boeing 707 landed at Ellington Field on the outskirts of Houston about 4:30 a.m. CST following an overnight flight from Baghdad and Shannon, Ireland. A few hundred cheering spectators and relatives gathered at the former Air Force Base to greet the early morning hostage flight.

Former Texas Gov. John Connally, who began unauthorized negotiations with Baghdad before Saddam decided to free the hostages, left Iraq Saturday with as many as 30 Americans and one Briton, officials said.

President Bush said Saturday that Saddam's decision to release his remaining Western hostages might make it easier to go to war against Iraq.

At the same time, Saddam's proposed Jan. 12 date for meetings in Baghdad with Secretary of State James Baker, just three days before the U.N. deadline for Iraq to withdraw its troops from Kuwait, was rejected by the White House.

''The 12th is unacceptable,'' said White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater. He said the administration preferred that Baker and Saddam get together in late December or early January.

Bush, in Caracas Saturday at the end of a South American tour, said Iraq's decision this week to release all of the estimated 6,000 Japanese and Westerners still in Iraq and Kuwait did not decrease the chances of war.

''When you don't have Americans there and if force is required, that's just one less worry I've got,'' Bush, commander in chief of some 230,000 U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf region, said at a news conference.

''I want a peaceful solution,'' he said. ''I don't feel we are closer to a peaceful solution. And the reason I don't is that Saddam Hussein keeps insisting that Kuwait is a province of Iraq and he will not get out of Kuwait.''

Bush said the release of the hostages, who had been held as shields against attack, ''makes it no more difficult at all'' to convince other countries it might be necessary to take action against Iraq.

''This facilitates the difficult decisions that might lie ahead,'' he said.

An Iraqi official in Cairo, Egypt who asked not to be identified, condemned Bush's statements, telling United Press International they proved ''there is a premeditated intention to launch an aggression against Iraq.''

The official Iraqi News Agency announced Saturday that Saddam was proposing that his foreign envoy, Tariq Aziz, meet with Bush in Washington on Dec. 17 and that Baker meet with Saddam in Baghdad on Jan. 12.

On Nov. 30, Bush proposed the high-level talks as a final chance to avoid war. The United States subsequently recommended that Baker and Saddam get together Dec. 20, 21 or 22, or Jan. 3.

Fitzwater said, ''We've asked them to pick one of those four dates. We think it (the meeting) should be closer to the Aziz meeting. We want them closer together.''

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#90343u0175 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (DEC. 9) UPI - The United Arab Emirates, which with Saudi Arabia is hosting U.S.-led allied troops to deter Iraqi aggression after the invasion of Kuwait, called Sunday for a long-term strategy if oil-rich Persian Gulf states are to survive.

U.A.E. Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Sheikh Hamdan bin Zayed al Nahyan told a seminar in Abu Dhabi on the Persian Gulf crisis that without a strategy there could be no future for the small, almost defenseless states.

''There is no future for those who do not think about (the) future,'' the U.A.E. news agency WAM quoted Sheikh Hamdan as saying.

''We should consider how to positively adapt ourselves to these changes,'' he said, adding the gulf was not ''only a region for the present but for the

future.''

He was apparently referring to the situation after settlement of the gulf crisis, triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. Iraq's decision to free all foreign hostages has increased optimism in gulf Arab states that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein will eventually withdraw from Kuwait.

But a number of gulf area officials at an Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries meeting in Cairo, Egypt told United Press International that they were concerned about the security of their countries should Iraqi withdraw from Kuwait with its armies intact.

''Of course there will have to be coordination among gulf states, and especially the six members of the Gulf Cooperation Council, on how best to plan our future defense and other needs,'' one official said.

Gulf Arabs are wary about a U.S. suggestion that they join a military pact with U.S. participation, which some Arabs might see as allowing Washington to keep a permanent military presence in the gulf. President Bush has already assured Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev that U.S. troops will not stay in the gulf longer than necessary.

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#90343u0191 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (DEC. 9) UPI - About 1 million Palestinians marked the third anniversary of their uprising against Israeli occupation under curfew Sunday and soldiers killed one Arab during one of the few clashes in the Gaza Strip, Palestinian and military sources said.

A general strike called to commemorate the Palestinian uprising shut down the rest of the Gaza Strip, West Bank and East Jerusalem. The military reinforced its presence along main roads and soldiers were under orders to ''act quickly and forcefully'' to prevent violence, Army Radio reported.

''The intifada is a popular revolution that came to prove to Israel and the world that the Palestinians totally reject all kinds of occupation and one day they will have their state,'' said Awni Neman, a 50-year-old Gaza City businessman.

''The intifada will continue as strong as it is until those (U.N.) resolutions will be completely applied,'' Neman said, referring to resolutions calling for Israeli withdrawal from the territories it captured during the 1967 Israeli-Arab war.

Yitzhak Rabin, defense minister during the first two years of the uprising, said he believed Israeli force alone was not the solution to the uprising and Israel must face the fact that co-existence with the Palestinians can only

come out of a separation that ensures Israeli security, Israel Radio reported.

The military clamped curfews on most of the Gaza Strip and many West Bank Palestinian communities and refugee camps Friday in advance of the uprising anniversary Sunday. The curfews also were imposed to prevent violence Saturday which marked two months since Israeli police killed at least 17 Palestinians on the Temple Mount, Islam's holiest site and site of the Jewish Temple.

About 1 million of the estimated 1.7 million Palestinians living in the occupied territories were under curfew. Streets in the Gaza Strip were nearly deserted, except for a few scattered Palestinians walking to health clinics or men sitting on sidestreets sipping tea.

If word of an Israeli patrol came around the neighborhoods, people quickly moved inside.

''After three years of the intifada - and today it is marking the beginning of the fourth - it will continue strong, comprehensive and well-organized to prove the unity of the Palestinians inside and in the diaspora,'' said Rashad abu Khaled, 33, as he sat on a low stool outside his home in Gaza.

In the Gaza village of Bani Suhaila, a 27-year-old Palestinian was shot during a confrontation with Israeli soldiers, Palestinian and military sources said. Mohammed al Madani, whose 20-year-old brother was killed in February, was shot in the thigh and died after severe bleeding, the sources said.

Military sources said al Madani was killed as he tried to strangle a soldier and steal his weapon. But Palestinian sources said al Madani was arrested because he broke the curfew and was shot when he tried to escape from Israeli forces who were beating him.

Since the start of the uprising, the military reported more than 620 Palestinians were killed by Israeli soldiers and an estimated 300 Palestinians were killed by other Palestinians because they were suspected of collaboration or immoral behavior.

The Israeli human rights organization, B'Tselem, places the figure of Palestinians killed by security forces and Israeli civilians at 750.

More than 20 Israeli soldiers and civilians were killed in the occupied territories during the three-year uprising, military statistics show. B'Tselem reports another 21 Israeli civilians and three tourists killed in uprising-related violence within Israel's pre-1967 borders.

The uprising erupted Dec. 9, 1987, after four Palestinians were killed in a traffic accident in Gaza involving an Israeli. Rumors spread the accident was intentional, sparking widespread rioting in the Gaza Strip that spread to the West Bank and East Jerusalem.

In a commentary, Israeli journalist Ron Ben-Yishai compared the uprising to the disease AIDS eating away ''at the natural immunity of the state of Israel, its components of power and the motivation of its citizens.''

''A political solution is urgently needed,'' Ben-Yishai wrote. ''Such a solution will be found in the end, either willingly or by force. The question is how much blood will be spilled on the way and what price will the state of the Jews have to pay in a few years time for what it could receive in the near future for next to nothing.''

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#90343u0194 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 9) UPI - Polish voters are picking a president today in their first wholly free balloting since before World War Two. Solidarity leader Lech Walesa is favored over Stanislaw Tyminski.

The White House has rejected Saddam Hussein's proposal for a meeting with Secretary of State James Baker on January 12th... just three days before a U-N deadline. The White House prefers an earlier date.

The U-N Security Council has postponed discussions on whether to hold a Middle East peace conference until Monday. The four NON-aligned countries on the council support a conference.

Six police were killed by a car bomb near Barcelona, Spain, Saturday. Nine people were injured. It is believed Basque separatists planted the bomb.

Movie director Martin Ritt has died after a heart attack in Santa Monica, California. Among his films were ''Hud,'' ''Sounder'' and ''Norma Rae.'' His last movie, ''Stanley and Iris,'' was released this year.

The shuttle Columbia may land Monday, a day early. A clogged line keeps the seven astronauts from flushing the contents of their septic tank into space.

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#90343u0195 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

BOYNTON BEACH, Fla. (DEC. 9) UPI - Detectives said a Florida man's family confessed they had shot him to death because he was a miserable, grouchy man who spent most of his time lying on the couch watching television.

Police call it ''the couch potato murder.''

''It's in a category all it's own,'' said Boynton Beach Police Lt. Dale Hammack. ''It's definitely bizarre.''

Mary Grieco, 48, her 15-year-old daughter Ann, and the daughter's sometime boyfriend, Melvin Steele, 19, are charged with conspiracy and first-degree murder in the death of Joe Grieco, 52. They are being held in the Palm Beach County jail pending a March trial.

According to documents made public last week by the Palm Beach County State Attorney's Office, the family was under pressure from mounting debts.

Joe and Mary Grieco did maintenance work at a hotel and took odd jobs, struggling to make payments on their two-bedroom, $60,000 house.

Ann Grieco said her father was depressed and cranky all the time.

''He'd come home from work and all he'd do is lay on the couch and watch TV. That's all he did. Like, he never did anything,'' she said. ''I didn't really want him dead. I just wanted him to stop being miserable.''

Ann Grieco said her parents could not afford a divorce. As the debts grew, Ann and Mary Grieco decided killing Joe Grieco would ease their burden, police said.

''I wanted to do it, but I didn't want to do it,'' Mary Grieco told police. ''Like I said, he was a miserable bastard, but he had his good points too.''

Police said they failed several times before finally succeeding in killing Joe Grieco.

They spiked his chicken dinner with LSD and put cocaine in his wine, trying to prompt a heart attack. But the drugs only made him laugh, they said.

They searched for poisonous mushrooms and discussed planting explosives in his car, the transcripts said.

''We tried everything that we thought of,'' Ann said. Finally, she said, ''We all decided that (shooting) would probably be the best.''

Ann had been telling her friends she wanted her father dead, according to the documents. Another teen introduced her to a 15-year-old who gave her and Steele a stolen .32-caliber semi-automatic pistol, the documents said. Police did not charge the unidentified 15-year-old.

Ann Grieco and Steele bought bullets for the gun, tested it on her bedroom pillow and found it satisfactory, police said.

For a month, the three tried repeatedly to shoot Joe Grieco, but chickened out police said. On the night of Aug. 9, they succeeded, police said.

According to transcripts of statements the trio gave police, Mary Grieco

crawled into bed with her snoring husband, clutching the pistol, and shot him in the left temple.

Detectives said the suspects then put the gun in Joe Grieco's left hand, called 911 and told police he had committed suicide. The Palm Beach County Medical Examiner's Office investigated, the death was ruled a suicide and Grieco's body was cremated.

But police grew suspicious when they learned Grieco was right-handed. They also found it strange that he had gone to bed and apparently taken a nap before committing suicide.

Word eventually got around that Steele was bragging to friends about the killing. Detectives strapped a hidden tape recorder on one of his friends and recorded Steele as he discussed the death.

On Aug. 27, police brought the three in for statements, then arrested them. Prosecutors are seeking the death penalty.

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#90343u0208 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (DEC. 9) UPI - Iraq appears to be redrawing Kuwait's border by putting up a barbed wire fence around part of the oil-rich state, a sign that Saddam Hussein may be planning a partial withdrawal, a British newspaper said Sunday.

The Observer newspaper said Iraq has constructed a barbed wire barrier with apparent customs and immigration posts around the southern tip of an oilfield which extends across the border into northern Kuwait.

Iraq, which invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2, reportedly intends to keep part of the disputed oilfield and two strategic Persian Gulf islands which it has long sought in order to give it better access to the gulf, the newspaper said.

Iraq also will keep the equipment taken from Kuwait as ''reparations'' for what Iraq has maintained was Kuwait's ''economic warfare.'' Prior to the invasion, Iraq accused Kuwait of depressing the price of oil by overproduction.

The newspaper said Arab governments are expecting Iraq to withdraw in late January, but said the new frontier could mean an earlier retreat.

Ali al-Sabah, an official in the Kuwaiti embassy in Washington, said his exiled government in Saudi Arabia had received reports of the barbed-wire fence, the Observer reported.

While President Bush and the exiled emir of Kuwait have publicly maintained that Iraq must restore Kuwait's pre-invasion borders, the Observer said territorial concessions were possible.

''Even if Kuwait balked (over the new border), the U.S. isn't going to go to war over a couple of islands,'' an unnamed State Department official told the newspaper.

The Sunday Times newspaper, quoting senior Middle Eastern sources as predicting Iraq would pull out of Kuwait and declare victory over the United States. It said Saddam's Ba'athist Party was preparing a propaganda campaign for the Iraqi people, claiming Saddam had stood up to the world's superpowers.

The newspaper said the retreat was regarded as a ''nightmare scenario'' by moderate Arab governments, because it would allow Iraq to keep its military advantage, posing a threat to the region and driving up oil prices.

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#90343u0210 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 9) UPI - National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft said Sunday that Iraq is ''still playing games'' in setting the date for direct talks with the United States.

Scowcroft, appearing on NBC's ''Meet the Press,'' said the United States offered the Iraqis the option of four dates for Secretary of State James Baker's trip to Baghdad, ranging from Dec. 20 to Jan. 3.

But he said the Iraqis came back with a proposal of a later date for the Baker trip, Jan. 12, only three days before the expiration of the period after which United Nations Resolution 687 authorizes the use of force against Iraq if it hasn't pulled out of Kuwait.

Scowcroft said, ''To me what it shows is they're still playing games, they're still manipulating, that they're not serious.''

Scowcroft said that Jan. 12 date is too late to be accepted by the U. S. government.

But Iraq's permanent representative to the United Nations, Abdul Amir Anbari, said on the same program, ''This will be resolved. It is a marginal issue, technical.'' If the Jan. 12 date is not acceptable to the United States, he said, ''No problem.''

Scowcroft said, ''I'm not confident it will be worked out.''

In the talks proposed by President Bush on Nov. 30, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz would come to Washington on or about Dec. 17, and then Baker would make the return trip sometime before Jan. 15.

The national security adviser said that the U.S. strategy is to convince

President Saddam Hussein ''that he can't play games, he has to get out of Kuwait.''

Even when that happens, Scowcroft said, the U.S. concerns will not disappear. He said the United States continues to be concerned about the actual or potential presence in Iraq of ''weapons of mass destruction'' - chemical, biological and possibly nuclear.

The ideal solution to that problem, he continued, would be some sort of international inspection and control of those weapons in Iraq's arsenal.

Anbari said he has the impression that ''things are moving in the right direction'' with the contacts between Washington and Baghdad leading to possible negotiations.

However, Bush and Baker have repeatedly said that the secretary of state is not going to Baghdad to negotiate but merely to emphasize face- to-face that the only solution for the crisis in the Persian Gulf must start with the unconditional, total withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

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(DEC. 9) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

President Bush returned to Washington last night after a five-day tour of South America that took him to five nations. Bush is expected to confer with aides and monitor events in the Persian Gulf today... between a morning church service and an evening holiday celebration.

Poland is voting today for its first popularly elected president. A German polling firm is monitoring the election and is expected to announce its projections shortly after the polls close. But the latest survey shows Solidarity leader Lech Walesa beating an emigre Canadian businessman.

Sources at a meeting of the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries say the group has decided NOT to suspend Iraq's membership. The meeting of the 10 Arab oil states in Cairo, Egypt, is expected to set the tone for an OPEC meeting that begins tomorrow in Vienna.

More trouble for the shuttle Columbia and its crew of seven astronauts. NASA says the mission may be cut short by a day due to a clogged line keeping the astronauts from flushing waste water out of the ship. A series of mishaps has troubled the flight to study the most violent stars in the universe.

The U-N Security Council is waiting until tomorrow to decide whether to hold a Middle East peace conference on the Arab-Israeli conflict. Diplomats failed to

reach agreement on the issue after a day of talks yesterday. The United States and Israel oppose the conference because it would include the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Rebels in El Salvador are celebrating what they claim to be a military and psychological victory in a three-week offensive against El Salvador's U-S-backed military. The rebels launched what they termed a campaign of ''limited objectives'' in November. The government called it a major offensive.

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#90343u0274 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 9) UPI - The message, as delivered by Shaquille O'Neal, is very clear.

Opposing college basketball teams do not want to get O'Neal fired up because when he is, the Louisiana State team becomes a lot better than it already is.

O'Neal, a 7-foot-1 sophomore, scored a career-high 29 points, grabbed 14 rebounds and blocked six shots Saturday to lead the 17th-rated Tigers to a 92-82 victory over No. 2 and previously unbeaten Arizona.

Arizona was one of two ranked teams that lost Saturday, with No. 22 Kansas falling 88-71 at Kentucky. Elsewhere, No. 1 Nevada-Las Vegas routed Nevada 131-81 while third-ranked Arkansas was a 95-82 winner at Missouri. No. 4 Syracuse and No. 7 Indiana each won their own tournaments, with the Orangemen topping North Carolina-Charlotte 113-99 and the Hoosiers improving to 34-0 in Indiana Classic play with a 91-64 decision over San Diego.

Elsewhere in the Top 10, fifth-rated Duke stopped Michigan 75-68; No. 6 Georgetown overcame a cold shooting night for a 53-47 triumph over Rice; UCLA, tied with Indiana for the No. 7 rating, dropped Notre Dame 99-91; and No. 9 Ohio State stayed unbeaten with a 112-54 victory over Chicago State. No. 10 North Carolina did not play Saturday.

In Baton Rouge, where LSU is always tough anyway, O'Neal said he decided before the game he wanted to be the factor against Arizona.

''I tried to dominate the game,'' O'Neal said. ''I went out and played hard. I got into foul trouble, as usual, but we played hard and we won.''

Arizona, 7-1, did not let the Shaquille Show completely dominate. The Wildcats were within 83-82 with less than a minute to play but LSU was able to score the game's final nine points.

O'Neal had a big weekend as LSU mauled Division III Chapman College 101-68 on Friday night. The center had 18 points, 16 rebounds and six blocked shots in just 20 minutes of playing time.

Fouls kept his playing time down Saturday, too, but O'Neal made his 28 minutes on the court count. In 48 minutes of playing time in a span of less than 24 hours, O'Neal accounted for 47 points, 30 rebounds and 12 blocked shots.

LSU is 4-1, with the only loss a 93-91 setback against Villanova, and two victories over rated teams (No. 22 Texas and Arizona). But Coach Dale Brown isn't about to say his team's season is complete.

--- AROUND THE COLLEGE SCENE ---

In other games involving ranked teams: No. 12 Georgia beat Mercer 117-50; Pittsburgh and Oklahoma, tied for 13th, each won with the Panthers topping West Virginia 96-87 and the Sooners running up a 141- 105 rout of Virginia Commonwealth. St. John's protected its No. 18 standing by beating BYU 67-62 in the Cougar Classic title game while 19th-ranked Michigan State beat Detroit 83-61 and 20th-rated Georgia Tech topped Fordham 92-72.

South Carolina, tied with Kansas at No. 22, was a 87-63 winner over Temple while No. 24 Texas won the Longhorn Classic with a 116-70 rout of Pan American. East Tennessee State, rated 25th, improved to 6-1 by beating James Madison 68-65.

At Reno, Nev., UNLV set a school record with 21 three-point goals. Travis Bice had six three-point goals and was one of five Runnin' Rebels to score at least 18 points. UNLV turned a 3-point game into a romp with a 34-10 run over the final nine minutes of the first half. Larry Johnson led the Rebels with 21 points.

At Columbia, Mo., Todd Day scored 26 points, including 6 consecutive Arkansas points to break a second-half tie and lift the 7-1 Razorbacks past Missouri. The Tigers' Jamal Coleman tied the score at 67-67 with a three-pointer with 10:12 to play but Day made consecutive 3-point shots and Lee Mayberry had a basket to restore the Razorbacks' 6-point lead less than a minute later. The loss ended Missouri's record 34-game home- court winning streak and dropped the Tigers to 3-2.

At Syracuse, N.Y., Dave Johnson scored 27 points, including 20 in the second half, to power Syracuse in the title game of the Carrier Classic. The victory gave Syracuse, 7-0, its 12th championship in 14 Carrier Classics, and Coach Jim Boeheim 350 career victories in record time. Syracuse's Billy Owens had 24 points, 16 rebounds and seven assists and was voted the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

At Durham, N.C., Grant Hill scored 19 points and fellow freshman Antonio Lang recorded six blocked shots leading Duke past Michigan. The win was the 61st consecutive triumph for the 6-2 Blue Devils at Cameron Indoor Stadium against non-ACC opponents. The Wolverines, 3-1, were led by Demetrius Calip with 23 points and Eric Riley with 17 points before fouling out.

At Houston, Lamont Morgan scored nine points in the second half in helping the Georgetown Hoyas, 5-0, overcome a cold-shooting night and hold off Rice. Rice held a three-point lead over Georgetown at 37-34 with 11 minutes remaining before the Hoyas built an 11-point lead.

At Los Angeles, Don MacLean moved into 12th place on the UCLA scoring list after scoring 30 points and helping the Bruins improve to 6-0 for the first time in eight seasons. UCLA was in control throughout, with MacLean's spinning 5-foot jumper shot from the lane igniting a 9-2 run midway through the first half. Notre Dame fell to 2-6 by losing a sixth consecutive game for the first time since the 1971-72 season.

At Bloomington, Ind., Calbert Cheaney scored 25 points and Indiana remained undefeated in the Indiana Classic with its 34th consecutive Classic win and 17th tournament title. Cheaney was named tournament Most Valuable Player and joined teammates Jamal Meeks, Pat Graham and Greg Graham on the all-tournament team. Pat Holbert, who led San Diego with 27 points, completed the honor squad. The Hoosiers are 7-1.

At Columbus, Ohio, Perry Carter scored 20 of his 24 points in the first half in leading the Ohio State Buckeyes over winless Chicago State. It was the fourth consecutive lopsided win for the Buckeyes, who have scored at least 111 points in all four victories.

At Lexington, Ky., Sean Woods scored a career-high 25 points to help keep the Kentucky Wildcats undefeated with a vengeful victory over Kansas. The Jayhawks pasted Kentucky 150-95 last season. The Wildcats, 4-0, turned a tight 63-62 game into a comfortable victory as Jamal Mashburn scored seven points in a 19-0 run. Kansas is 3-2.

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#90343u0339 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

GOWERS CORNER, Fla. (DEC. 9) UPI - Police academy cadets from the Tampa Bay area completed their final exam during the weekend by capturing a dangerous prisoner - an ill-tempered, 7-foot alligator.

Gater roping is a handy skill for Florida police officers and has been included in the police academy curriculum for years.

''And you thought New York was dangerous,'' joked one cadet, as the group completed the exercise Saturday in a wooded area behind the east campus of Pasco-Hernando Community College.

Capt. James Doxey of the U.S. Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission instructed the aspiring officers.

Alligators have razor-sharp teeth, tails that can knock over a grown man, and crushing jaw power equal to 2,000 pounds per square inch, Doxey cautioned.

''If you get your gun hand too close to those teeth, he could could end your career today,'' Doxey warned.

Dividing into teams, two cadets roped the gator's head while two others tried to rope its tail, ''just like a good old cowboy,'' Doxey said.

Next, one student held its mouth shut while another wrapped electrical tape around the jaw.

''Y'all be real careful when you're taping so that you don't tape your partner to him,'' Doxey warned.

The alligator made vicious swings with its tail at a couple of the cadets and tried to roll over several times to loosen another cadet's hold on the rope around its head.

But all 19 cadets from Pasco, Pinellas and Hillsborough counties successfully tied the gator, qualifying them for graduation Monday.

The alligator's future did not appear as bright. The police academy uses only commercial alligators for the classes and, like the others, this one eventually will be skinned, Doxey said.

In 13 years of teaching gator capturing techniques, Doxey said he has never seen anyone injured except himself. About five years ago, an alligator cut his hand with one of its teeth, he said.

Once, however, a cadet killed an alligator when he pulled its head too far back and snapped its spine, he said.

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#90343u0349 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 9) UPI - One of the worst snow storms in memory is paralyzing parts of Britain. Birmingham airport has closed and traffic was delayed at London's two largest airports, Heathrow and Gatwick. Winds of 60 miles an hour knocked down power lines, leaving at least a quarter of a Million houses without electricity. British Rail said links between London and many northern cities were cut off.

The first foreign hostages freed under Iraq's new order have left. 41 Japanese headed home on a chartered flight. Former Texas Governor John Connally flew out of Baghdad with about 30 Americans. Britain has broadcast word to its citizens who are hiding in Kuwait to come out and prepare to leave. An estimated six-thousand westerners and Japanese are held in Iraq and Kuwait.

The Soviet news agency Tass says next month's summit between Mikhail Gorbachev and President Bush may be postponed because of the Persian Gulf crisis. They are scheduled to meet in Moscow. High-level meetings between the United States and Iraq may not allow time to prepare for the summit. Secretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze meet this week in Houston to discuss the summit.

Polish voters are electing a president in a runoff election today. Pre-election polls show Lech Walesa is a heavy favorite over Stanislaw Tyminski. Walesa is one of the founders of Solidarity. Tyminski recently returned to Poland from Canada where he was a successful businessman. This is the first time since before World War Two that Polish citizens have picked a leader in a free election.

Actress Joan Bennett is dead at age 80. Bennett's husband, David Wilde, says she died Friday in her home in Scarsdale, New York, of cardiac arrest. Bennett played blonde ingenues in the 1930s. As she matured, producer Walter Wanger, her second husband, changed her into an earthy brunette for the 1939 melodrama ''Trade Winds.''

The shuttle Columbia flight may end tomorrow, a day early, because of bad plumbing. A clogged line has prevented the seven astronauts from flushing a tank holding waste water from the toilet. Groound controllers emphasized the problem presents no danger to the crew. The astronauts are continuing with their around-the-clock astronomical observations.

Hundreds of John Lennon fans gathered yesterday at his star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. Lennon was shot to death 10 years ago yesterday. Fans ranging from teens to middle aged sang songs, read poems and left flowers. A similar vigil was held in Strawberry Fields memorial garden in Central Park in Manhattan. Lennon was killed outside the apartment building where he lived near Central Park.

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(DEC. 9) UPI - TODAY'S PEOPLE:

MOTHERLY CHIEF WON'T QUIT: Houston Police Chief Elizabeth Watson has soundly denied rumors she will resign following the birth of her third child. Watson plans to work until it is time for her to deliver the baby, which is due next week. ''I'm not going anywhere, especially not now, with another mouth to feed '' Watson said. An assistant chief will act as police chief while Watson is on maternity leave.

NON-POLITICAL KENNEDY: If you look quickly, you'll see Christopher Kennedy Lawford as the federal agent grilling Sean Connery in the new spy thriller film, ''Russia House,'' based on the John LeCarre best- seller. Lawford is following in the footsteps of his father, Peter Lawford, as an actor. Asked if there were any actors in the political family tree of his mother, Pat Kennedy Lawford, he replied: ''There are a lot of performers but I'm the only one on stage.''

NO TIME FOR TESH: John Tesh says the pressures of a dual career led to his separation from his wife of eight years. Tesh, the co-host of ''Entertainment Tonight,'' also is an accomplished jazz guitarist. ''What was happening was, with the work I was doing, at both ends I wasn't saving enough time for a relationship and it just evaporated,'' he said. ''It's a very tough thing to go through.'' But Tesh still has intentions of starting a family. ''I want to settle down and have a big old five-bedroom house with kids,'' he said. ''I think I'm getting close to adulthood now as I approach 40, so maybe I might as well start acting like one.''

SHOOT AND SEW: Basketball star Michael Jordan says there's more to clothes than just wearing them - he can make them, too. ''I took home ec,'' Jordan says in People magazine. ''I made a shirt and I can hem and cut out patterns.

I can do all that stuff.'' Jordan won't be doing the sewing but he has been involved in picking out fabrics and designs for the new line of evening wear he has coming out in February.

GLIMPSES: Donald Trump showed his expertise on marital affairs at a weekend dinner in Atlantic City, N.J. The occasion was the presentation of a boxer of the year award to Sugar Ray Leonard in memory of Mark Etess, a Trump executive who died in a helicopter crash last year. After lashing out at reporters and promoting his Taj Mahal Casino, Trump praised Etess's marriage to his wife, Lauren, by saying, ''They had one of the truly great marriages - and I'm an expert on this'' ... Talk show hostess Sally Jessy Raphael headed to Pearl Buck's house in Perkasie, Pa., Sunday to pickup the 1990 Pearl S. Buck Woman's Award. The award is presented annually to a woman who has distinguished herself through her career, family and humanitarian efforts. Raphael, who has a large family of biological, adopted and unofficial foster children, joins previous winners Beverly Sills, Erma Bombeck, Pearl Bailey, Helen Hayes and Jean Stapleton.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 9) UPI - An American soldier serving in Saudi Arabia was killed Sunday when the tractor-trailer truck he was driving overturned, pinning him in the cab of the vehicle.

It was the 52nd fatal casualty in Operation Desert Shield.

Maj. Martin Compton, a spokesman for the U.S. Central Command, said that accident occurred during a routine water supply training mission in Saudi Arabia.

He said the soldier was pronounced dead on the scene. The identification of the victim is being withheld until the next of kin are notified, he said.

The cause of the accident is being investigated, he said.

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(DEC. 9) UPI - President Bush returned to Washington last night from a five-nation tour of South America. He is expected to meet with his aides today to discuss the Persian Gulf situation. Bush says Saddam Hussein's promised freedom for foreign hostages does NOT decrease the chance of war. In fact, it ''facilitates'' the possible decision to use force to drive Iraqi troops out of Kuwait. He said- ''When you don't have Americans there and if force is required, that's just one less worry I've got.''

Iraq and the United States can NOT agree on when Secretary of State James Baker should meet Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Iraq's news agency says Saddam wants Baker in Baghdad on January 12th... three days before a U-N deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. The White House rejected the date. It asked for a meeting in late December or earlier in January.

The future of Yugoslavia's last communist regimes will be determined in elections today in the republics of Serbia and Montenegro. Almost all the attention is on Serbia, largest of Yugoslavia's republics. There are 32 candidates for president and 17-hundred candidates for the 250 seats in the assembly. These are the first multi-party elections for Serbia and Montenegro in 45 years.

Six police were killed near Barcelona, Spain, when a car loaded with explosives blew up as they drove by. Basque separatists are believed responsible. The police were on their way to crowd control duty at a soccer stadium. In addition to the six dead, nine other people were injured. In June, Basque terrorists said they would stage attacks until the Olympics and World's Fair in 1992.

Rhythm-and-blues singer Delecta ''Dee'' Clark is dead at the age of 52. Clark was found dead of an apparent heart attack in his hotel room in Atlanta. He wrote several hits- including ''Nobody But You'' and ''Hey, Little Girl in the High School Sweater.'' But his biggest hit was ''Raindrops'' which hit number two on the charts in 1961.

Movie director Martin Ritt died yesterday in a Santa Monica, California, hospital after suffering a heart attack. The hospital said he was 76, but other sources put his age at 70. Ritt specialized in both tender and tough portrayals of the human condition. His films included ''Hud,'' ''Sounder,'' and ''Norma Rae.''

The spaceprobe Galileo flew close to Earth yesterday, but it will be back in two years. Yesterday's flight, bringing Galileo 594 miels above the Atlantic Ocean, used Earth's gravity to increase the spacecraft's speed to 78-thousand-860 miles an hour. This will put it into an orbit around the sun. In October 1991 it will pass the asteroid Gaspra and return to Earth on Decmeber 8th, 1992. This flyby will put it on course for a 1995 encounter with Jupiter.

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(DEC. 9) UPI - About two doezn Americans who were hostages in Iraq flew into Houston, Texas, this morning. Former Texas Governor John Connally began negotiations for their release before Iraq decided to free all hostages.

Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze will discuss a treaty to limit strategic nuclear weapons. They will meet tomorrow and Tuesday in Houston.

Ground controllers are trying to find a way to store more waste water aboard the shuttle Columbia. Otherwise the flight may have to end tomorrow, a day early. The astronauts are UNable to flush the tank holding waste water from the toilet.

The spaceship Galileo made a flyby of Earth yesterday. This will adjust its flight. In two years, it will return so Earth's gravity will fling it toward Jupiter.

Dallas voters have rejected a measure to enlarge minority representation on City Council. The plan was the result of a U-S court ruling that the old method of electing the council is UNconstitutional.

The African National Congress says 25 members who were detained at an airport have been admitted into South Africa. They were in exile and returned to South Africa for an A-N-C conference.

A car bomb believed planted by Basque separatists has killed six police near Barcelona, Spain. Basques have vowed to stage terrorist attacks until the Olympic games in 1992.

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#90343u0479 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 9) UPI - About two dozen American hostages have flown home from Iraq. A jetliner landed in Houston, Texas, this morning after an overnight flight. Their freedom was arranged by former Texas Governor John Connally who began negotiations Iraq before Saddam Hussein decided to free all hostages. Several hundred spectators and relatives who gathered at Ellington Field, a former Air Force Base, cheered when the plane arrived.

Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze meet in Houston tomorrow and Tuesday to discuss a treaty limiting strategic nuclear weapons. U-S officials say the two nations are close to an agreement. But they're NOT so close they are predicting the meetings will result in a final treaty. One official says the big remaining problem is defining the exact process for verifying the treaty is followed.

Plumbers don't make space calls. The seven shuttle Columbia astronauts are uncomfortable because a clogged line makes it impossible for them to flush the tank holding waste water from their toilet. They can't fix it. The problem may mean they will have to land tomorrow- a day early. They have also had computer problems which have been solved. They have been making around-the-clock astronomical observations.

Dallas voters have turned down a voting plan designed to increase minority representation on the City Council. The ''14-one'' plan lost by just 369 votes out of 90-thousand. It was a result of a U-S court ruling that the current method of electing city council members is unconstitutional. 14-one would have set up 14 districts each sending one member to City Council. The mayor would have been elected at large.

The African National Congress says South Africa has admitted 25 exiled A-N-C members who were detained at a Johannesburg airport. A-N-C leader Nelson Mandela had appealed to the government to admit them. Most of the members are representatives in A-N-C missions abroad and were returning to South Africa for a conference of the black organization.

Moscow's deputy mayor says his city and some other industrial cities in Russia will need foreign economic help at least until spring. Deputy Mayor Sergei Stankevich says he does NOT expect a dramatic improvement in getting food soon. Soviet food shortages are blamed on the slow transition to a market economy and an antiquated transportation system.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service is considering a plan to charge people who drive or walk into the United States from Mexico and Canada. People who fly into the United States already are charged five dollars. The U-S Chamber of Commerce says the plan is bad for business. A spokeswoman said- ''We view immigration as being very beneficial to U- S employment and the U-S economy.''

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WITH U.S. MARINES, Eastern Saudi Arabia (DEC. 9) UPI - When the sun goes down on the Arabian desert, Lance Cpl. Robert Redwine can see in the darkness with the thermal sight on his TOW anti-tank missile launcher - a device that lets him stalk and kill enemy tanks at night.

''It's just as easy as day, even easier because they'll stand out better,'' Redwine said. ''There is nowhere to hide from a TOW system. There's just nowhere to run. Once we get a good view on them ... they're history, that's all there is.''

The use of thermal sights, night vision goggles, Starlight rifle scopes and other high-tech electronic devices has given U.S. forces deployed as part of Operation Desert Shield command of the night. Many officers and soldiers believe if it comes to a war with Baghdad, U.S. forces will maneuver and fight at night when they have an overwhelming advantage over Iraqi troops.

''The thing that's unique to this deployment is the great employment of night fighting capacity,'' said Lt. Gen. Charles Horner, the head of Central Command

air forces. For American pilots, that means an infrared navigation and targeting device known as LANTIRN, which allows them to fly and bomb accurately at night.

''We have a good opportunity to do what we do at night. The night doesn't bother us,'' said Col. Tom Bliss, the AWACS deployed wing commander, whose planes keep a constant watch on Iraqi air movement. ''Iraqis have more of a tendency to fly in daylight hours. The flight activity tends to be limited at night.''

''We have a tremendous capability to control the night,'' said Lt. Gen. John Yeosock, the head of Central Command army forces.

''Before, at night, maybe you had an exchange of artillery,'' he added, but now ground troops are able to maneuver and fight at night.

''It's a tremendous enhancer when it comes to the ability to maintain tempo,'' Yeosock said.

Helicopter pilots can move troops in and out of hot spots wearing night vision goggles, which take existing light sources and amplify them several thousand times. Individual soldiers can aim and fire their weapons using Starlight scopes - devices which work on a similar principle.

Sophisticated M1 and M1A1 tanks, Bradley fighting vehicles and HMMWVs (pronounced Hum-vees) - the vehicle that replaced the Jeep - can maneuver using the night goggles, giving American ground forces the ability to attack and fight under the cover of darkness.

''We can see, we can maneuver, we can shoot and the enemy doesn't have nearly that capacity,'' said Lt. Col. Bill Chamberlain, who leads the 197th Mechanized Infantry. ''The advantage at night, in an offensive operation, is that if you're on the receiving end and you can't see, what a scary thing.''

He said his mechanized infantry, which includes an attached tank unit, conducted about half of its training at night. The armored personnel carriers that act as scouts are able to identify anti-tank trenches using the night vision goggles so that engineers can breach the obstacles.

Chamberlain said another advantage of night warfare was the psychological effect it would have on enemy units to hear the roar of tanks and armored personnel carriers moving through the darkness and to be unable to detect their exact location.

''Noise travels at night, but it's distorted. It's very difficult to pick up a direction,'' he said. ''These guys came rolling back in about a week or so ago and I swore they were going to drive right into my tent. I got out of the tent to look to make sure the tank company wasn't trying to do me in and they were

300 meters away.''

Although high-tech electronic devices have opened up the night to warfare, they are not flawless and seem to increase what military philosopher Carl von Clausewitz called the ''friction'' of battle - the tendency for things to go wrong despite best laid plans.

Tank units become confused and temporarily lost in the darkness, which happens even during the day in the featureless desert. The Navstar electronic navigation system, which allows troops to locate their position by fixing on satellites, doesn't work unless it can touch bases with three satellites.

During periods when soldiers cannot reach three satellites with the Navstar devices, which have been dubbed Sluggers, they often are reduced to checking odometer readings and compasses in an effort to locate their position.

''They're OK if you start with a known position on a map. They're accurate to within 10 feet,'' said Lt. Col. Dennis Hardy, who commands a tank squadron in the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment. ''The only problem is if you're a tank commander and you have nine tanks and 12 Bradleys and there's only one Slugger ... it isn't simple keeping everybody together. At night everybody tends to stray.''

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SOWETO, South Africa (DEC. 9) UPI - The radical anti-apartheid Pan Africanist Congress Sunday effectively rejected an invitation from the government to join talks aimed at ending white minority rule.

Newly elected PAC President Clarence Makwetu said in the closing speech of the movement's first national conference in South Africa since 1960, ''The PAC will not negotiate with (President Frederik) de Klerk's regime unless negotiations are preceded by elections for a constituent assembly'' - a condition Pretoria rejects.

Cheered loudly by the estimated 800 delegates to the three-day conference, in the nation's largest township of Soweto, Makwetu also said the PAC - known for its slogan ''One settler, one bullet'' - remained commmited to the ''struggle for liberation on all fronts, including the armed struggle.''

He said de Klerk had ''failed'' to create a climate conducive for negotiations and attacked the more popular African National Congress, the PAC's rival, for holding preliminary talks with the government. ''ANC has chosen to ... add to white domination in our country,'' he said.

Pretoria has repeatedly rejected calls from the PAC for a constituent assembly saying any new government for a post-apartheid South Africa has to be

discussed during preliminary negotiations.

Two rounds of talks between the government and the ANC had by early August cleared the way to full-blown power-sharing negotiations. The ANC suspended its 29-year armed struggle against white rule Aug. 6, and de Klerk later that month invited the PAC to join the talks process.

But the ANC concession prompted PAC officials to label ANC Deputy President Nelson Mandela a ''sell-out.'' The black consciousness PAC shuns white membership and regards the ANC as too flexible and vacillating.

Makwetu, elected president at the conference in the place of Zephania Mothopeng, who died in October, said the PAC was required by its followers ''to place ourselves for the final push to crush white domination.''

He said, ''Sanctions, disinvestment and the cultural boycott should be intensified'' until the government agreed to abolish its apartheid policies, introduced in 1948.

Makwetu had told the opening day of the conference, the second in South Africa since ANC hard-liners broke away from that movement to form the PAC in 1959, that de Klerk's 10 months of racial reforms fell short of PAC demands.

The reforms - which include the legalization in February of the ANC and PAC after 30 years, the release of leading political prisoners, the scrapping of certain discriminatory legislation and a promise to scrap the rest - were ''not what we've been fighting for,'' Makwetu said.

He said the PAC would be satisfied only when Pretoria acceded to ''the right to universal ... suffrage'' and one-person, one-vote, leading to a constituent body.

The government, apparently attempting to win over the PAC, had granted temporary immunity from prosecution to 14 senior exiled members to attend the conference.

A delegate from Transvaal province, Sipho Lungu, said such ''small, little gestures mean just about nothing,'' adding, ''It has always been up to the PAC since our first conference in 1959, to keep up the battle.''

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(DEC. 9) UPI - About two dozen American hostages are back on U-S soil, the latest group of Western captives freed by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. A privately owned jetliner carrying the hostages landed in Houston early today following an overnight flight from Baghdad and Shannon, Ireland. A few hundred cheering spectators and relatives gathered at Ellington Field, a former Air

Force Base, to greet the flight.

In Baghdad, the Iraqi newspaper Baath warned President Bush today NOT to attack Iraq. The paper, the organ of Iraq's ruling Baathist Arab Socialist Party, says the United States will face more than 45-thousand American casualties, the destruction of Israel and soaring oil prices if it attacks Iraq.

NASA officials say the Columbia astronauts might have to end their trouble-plagued astronomy flight one day early because of a plumbing problem. Officials say a clogged line is keeping the crew memebers from flushing a tank holding waste water from the ship's toilet. Flight controllers told the astronauts yesterday that the mission would last at least nine days, which would result in a landing tomorrow. But they say if work to find additional storage space for the shuttle's waste water is successful, the astronauts could get in a full-duration 10-day flight.

A Japanese cosmonaut-journalist is preparing for his return to Earth tomorrow. Toyohiro Akiyama is the first Japanese and first journalist in space. Akiyama has battled dizziness and space sickness to make daily broadcasts from the Mir station during his six days in space. He will return along with two Soviet cosmonauts on a Soyuz T-M- 10 space capsule. The two Soviets have been on the space station for four months.

In Detroit, there's word today that pilots have reported that distractions and poor runway markings sometimes cause aborted takeoffs and other miscues at Detroit Metropoitan Airport. The Detroit New and Free Press newspaper based its story on reports filed by pilots with the Aviation Safety Reporting System. The paper says the pilots' names and other details are edited out of the reports to encourage reporting. According to the paper, A-S-R-S data shows there were nearly two- thousand so-called ''runway incursions'' at U-S airports during an 18- month period that ended last June, including 24 at the Detroit airport.

A Texas reporter spent the weekend in jail after she was found in contempt of court because she would not answer questions in a capital murder case. Corpus Christi Caller-Times reporter Libby Averyt was put behind bars after the Texas Criminal Court of Appeals late Friday refused a request by the newspaper's lawyer to free her on bond. State District Judge Eric Brown, who had performed Averyt's marriage ceremony only a month earlier, had the reporter handcuffed and jailed for refusing to answer questions about her interview with a capital murder suspect.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 9) UPI - Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir Sunday rejected any participation in an international conference on the Palestinian

issue, and expressed confidence that the United States would also oppose it.

Shamir said he is also going to ask the United States to give the Soviet Union a Most Favored Nation tariff in light of the Soviet economic need and the eased Soviet conditions for Jewish immigration to Israel.

In an appearance on the CBS program ''Face the Nation,'' Shamir foreshadowed the position he will take in talks this week in Washington with President Bush and Secretary of State James Baker.

Shamir said of the U.N.-sponsored international conference on the Middle East, ''This is not the way to get peace. You have to go through a process of negotiation, with both parties having to agree. An international conference would only try to impose a solution.''

In an earlier appearance on ABC's ''This Week with David Brinkley,'' Baker said the United States is working hard at the United Nations to head off an international conference on the Palestinian issue now because it would imply a linkage between the settlement of the Persian Gulf crisis with negotiations on the future of the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Baker, however, reiterated that an international conference on the Middle East properly structured and at a suitable time, might be useful.

Shamir said, ''We have long experience that if we keep to our just position, it will prevail. We want peace but an international conference is the way to escape peace.''

Israel, he said, ''will not be part of such a deal.''

Shamir said, ''There could be some difference in views'' with the United States, but he added that he didn't think the United States was pulling away from its current position.

The Israelis have adamantly opposed such a conference because they believe it would lead to a ganging-up on Israel without dealing with the underlying issues in the Arab-Israeli disputes.

However, earlier this year Shamir backed away from his own plan for opening Israeli-Palestinian talks about local elections when it appeared that the Palestinian Arabs were about to accept the face-to-face meetings.

That led to a chill in U.S.-Israeli relations because Baker had made a major commitment in pushing for the plan's acceptance.

Shamir is expected to ask for further U.S. financial assistance to help in the settlement of some 150,000 Soviet Jews who have been permitted to come to Israel. The United States has already granted a $400 million loan guarantee

for new Israeli housing for the new arrivals.

Shamir said, ''We are very grateful'' for the Soviet emigration decision and he said that he will urge the U.S. government, in view of the Soviet action, to grant Most Favored Nation tariff treatment ''because it would help them (the Soviets).''

Under the Jackson-Vanik act, the Soviet Union was excluded from the preferential tariff treatment because of its former restriction on free emigration for Soviet minorities.

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(DEC. 9) UPI - A few hundred cheering spectators and relatives greeted about two dozen American hostages upon their arrival in Houston, Texas, early today from Iraq. The hostages are the latest group of Western captives returning to freedom three days after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein decided to relinquish his human shields. Officials say former Texas Governor John Connally left Iraq yesterday with as many as 30 Americans and one Briton.

In another development, the United States today called on all its citizens in Iraqi-occupied Kuwait to gather at the Kuwaiti airport to board a plane for Baghdad and then freedom in Frankfurt, Germany. The government-run Voice of America broadcast the message. It was especially aimed at Americans who have remained in hiding since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2nd.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze flew to the United States today for three days of talks on the Persian Gulf crisis and a superpower summit. Shevardnadze is expected to meet with Secretary of State Baker in Houston tomorrow and Tuesday. And he's to meet with President Bush on Wednesday in Washington, where they'll work out the final details of a treaty to cut strategic arms by 50 percent. The accord would be the key note of the Moscow summit between President Bush and Soviet leader Gorbachev.

Iran said today that the death sentence against British author Salman Rushdie still stands. Tehran radio reports Iran's Islamic Guidance Minister says the death edict issued by the late Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini against Rushdie for writing the novel ''The Satanic Verses'' is- quote- ''NOT capable of being reversed.'' Many Moslems believe the novel insulted Islam.

The Soviet news agency Tass reports that an explosion rocked a petrochemical plant in the Siberian city of Tomsk today. Tass says there are injuries, but it gave NO further details. The news agency says the blast ocurred around midday at the plant that manufactures ethylene.

It's day 10 in jury deliberations for a New York panel trying to decide the fate of two youths on trial for raping and beating a woman jogger in Central

Park. During yesterday's deliberations, jurors studied a videotaped confession of one of of the youths. 18-year-old Kharey Wise and 16-year-old Kevin Richardson were among some 30 youths who roamed the park in a violent crime spree on the night of April 19th. 1989. Police say the pack attacked nine victims including a 30-year-old investment banker who was gang raped and beaten into a coma.

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(DEC. 9) UPI - About 20 American hostages returned to the United States today after being freed by Iraq. The jetliner carrying the hostages landed in Houston following an overnight flight from Baghdad. A few hundred cheering spectators and relatives gathered to welcome them home.

Secretary of State Baker says he's willing to go to Baghdad any day between December 20th and January 3rd for direct talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. But Baker says this is a new proposal that has NOT yet been sent to the Iraqis.

Baker also accused Iraqi President Saddam Hussein of ''playing games'' by suggesting January 12th as the date for the talks. That's only three days before the U-N deadline authorizing the use of force. Baker says it shows Saddam ''is not serious.''

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze left Moscow today heading for Houston for talks on the gulf crisis and the dates of a superpower summit. The Soviet news agency Tass says the January date for the summit may have to be changed because of the gulf crisis.

About one-Million Palestinians today marked the third anniversary of their uprising against Israeli occupation under curfew. And a general strike called to commemorate the uprising shut down the rest of the Gaza Strip, West Bank and East Jerusalem.

Two key republics in Yugoslavia held multi-party elections today. The balloting in Serbia and Montenegro will determine the fate of the nation's last surviving communist regimes. It's the republics' first democratic polls in 45 years.

Voters in Poland went to the polls today for their first directly elected president. Solidarity union leader Lech Walesa is favored over emigre Canadian businessman Stanislaw Tyminski in a runoff election that follows a bitter campaign.

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(DEC. 9) UPI - A jetliner carrying American hostages from Iraq landed in

Houston, Texas, early today. The Americans are the latest group of Western captives to return home to freedom three days after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein decided to relinquish his human shields. Former Texas Governor John Connally says he met with Saddam and the Iraqi leader said he wanted peace and not a war with the United States.

President Bush is back on the job at the White House today after returning last night from a five-nation Latin American swing. Bush has a busy schedule ahead of him this week, including a parade of high-ranking foreign visitors in the Oval Office. While he was away, Iraq's Saddam Hussein announced that all the Western hostages would be released before Christmas. But Bush says that doesn't mean the Persian Gulf crisis is ''any closer'' to being peacefully settled. He warns that with the Americans home and safe- quote- ''that's just one less worry that I've got.''

A British newspaper reports that Iraq appears to be redrawing Kuwait's border. The paper says Iraq has put up a barbed wire barrier with apparent customs and immigration posts around the southern tip of an oilfield which extends across the border into northern Kuwait. The paper says the move is a sign that Saddam Hussein may be planning a partial withdrawal... and intends to keep part of the disputed oilfield and two strategic gulf islands.

Soviet news reports say railway sidings are packed with unloaded food, while Moscow officials appeal for foreign food aid. The Communist newspaper Pravda says some 20-thousand containers and 300 railway wagons stand unloaded at the city's freight yards. The paper says more than 100 wagons contain meat sent from abroad. It says the precious cargo has been sitting at one rail siding since November 25th while store shelves remain empty.

Police in Boynton Beach, Florida, are reporting a bizarre slaying in what they've termed ''the couch potato murder.'' Detectives say the family of a 52-year-old man confessed they shot him to death because he was a miserable, grouchy man who spent most of his time lying on the couch watching t-v. Authorities have charged Mary Grieco, her 15-year- old daughter Ann, and the daughter's boyfriend, Melvin Steele, with conspiracy and first-degree murder in the death of Joe Grieco. They are being held in the Palm Beach County jail pending a March trial.

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#90343u0868 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 9) UPI - Another casualty today in Operation Desert Shield. The U-S Central Command says an American soldier was killed when the tractor-trailer truck he was driving overturned, pinning him in the cab of the vehicle. The accident occurred during a routine water supply training mission in Saudi Arabia. It's the 52nd fatality in Operation Desert Shield.

Former Texas Governor John Connally returned home today with a planeload of

U-S hostages from Iraq. A private jet carrying the hostages on a freedom flight from Baghdad landed in Houston amid the cheers and tears of their families. It's the first batch of Americans to arrive in the United States since Iraq ordered the release of all foreigners in Iraq and Kuwait.

OPEC oil ministers will gather in Vienna this week just to show that the 13-nation cartel still exists despite Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Past meetings of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to limit output and boost oil prices have held world center stage. But the invasion and a U-N embargo of Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil exports have made a shambles of OPEC's oil quota system.

The space shuttle Columbia may be coming home early. NASA officials say unless they can fix a plumbing problem aboard the spacecraft, the astronauts may have to end their 10-day glitch-plagued astronomy flight one day early. That means the Columbia crew would glide back to Earth tomorrow instead of Tuesday.

The last of Yugoslavia's six republics are holding their first democratic elections in 45 years. Voters in Serbia and Montenegro are casting ballots in multi-party elections that will determine the fate of the nation's last surviving communist regimes. Serbian opposition parties are protesting alleged irregularities.

Palestinian sources report Israeli soldiers shot and wounded at least 10 Arabs in the occupied West Bank... and soldiers shot to death one Arab in the occupied Gaze Strip. The clashes erupted in the territories as one-Million Palestinians marked the third anniversary of their uprising against Israeli dominance.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) UPI - The average price of gasoline nationwide remained virtually unchanged from three weeks ago with a hike in the federal gas tax offsetting a decrease in wholesale prices, an industry analyst said Sunday.

The Dec. 7 Lundberg Survey of 13,500 service stations across the nation found the average retail price for a gallon of gasoline was $1. 460. That compares with $1.459 on Nov. 16.

The current price reflects a new nickel a gallon federal gas task that went into effect Dec. 1, said Trilby Lundberg, publisher of the survey.

''It looks like a wash (with the tax) because wholesale gasoline prices were falling as refiners were passing on lower crude oil buying prices to wholesalers,'' Lundberg said.

Crude oil prices are now correcting themselves downward following a panic rise after the invasion of Kuwait interrupted supplies and triggered fears of mass

worldwide oil shortages, he said.

Since the Aug. 2 invasion by Iraq, pump prices have risen an average 28.35 cents. A July 20 Lundberg Survey found the overall national average of $1.17.

The Dec. 7 Lundberg Survey found regular unleaded gasoline at self- service stations was an average $1.352. Premium unleaded was $1.510 and regular leaded $1.328.

At full-service stations, regular unleaded sold for an average $1.575 and premium unleaded for $1.713. Regular leaded was $1.532.

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(DEC. 9) UPI - A U-S-chartered Iraqi airliner left Baghdad today with nearly 175 Americans. Baghdad Radio says the plane headed for Germany. The departure came just hours after a smaller group of freed American hostages touched down in Texas to cries of joy from their families.

The London Observer newspaper says Iraq is redrawing the Kuwaiti border. The paper says Baghdad has constructed a barbed wire fence around part of the oil-rich state... a sign that Saddam Hussein may be planning a partial withdrawal.

In Moscow, the communist newspaper Pravda reports some 20-thousand containers and 300 railway wagons stand loaded with food at the city's freight yards... while store shelves remain empty and Soviet officials appeal for foreign food aid.

Pravda says the required foodstuffs are right under officials' noses if they only knew how to get them unpacked and delivered. It says cargo- moving agencies haul away only a fifth of the food because there is a shortage of trucks and drivers.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir says Israel won't take part in an international conference on the Palestinian issue. Shamir told television interviewers that such a conference is ''NOT the way to get peace.''

In South Africa, the radical anti-apartheid Pan Africanist Congress has effectively rejected a government invitation to join talks aimed at ending white minority rule. The group says it won't negotiate with Pretoria unless elections for a constituent assembly are held first.

32 young American students were named today to study at Oxford University in England as Rhodes scholars for 1991. The students are from 23 colleges and universities in 26 states and include a poet, an AIDS researcher, a Baptist minister and a teacher.

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#90343u1141 12/09/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 9) UPI - The State Department says a U-S-chartered Iraqi airliner carrying about 300 former hostages, about 175 of them Americans, left Baghdad for Frankfurt, Germany today. The Americans will stay overnight in Germany and then return to Washington, D-C, tomorrow.

A spokesman says a second U-S-chartered plane is to depart Baghdad with more Americans on Tuesday. But the official declined to predict when several hundred others would also be freed. The airlift occurred just hours after another flight carrying former U-S hostages from Iraq arrived in Texas.

An American soldier was killed today during routine training in Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia. Military officials say the soldier was trucking large quantities of water to thirsty desert troops when his tractor-trailer overturned. His name was NOT immediately released.

In a separate incident, three military police officers were injured when their desert rover ran off the road and turned over. Officials say they are still trying to piece together what happened. The injured soldiers were flown to the U-S Navy hospital ship Mercy.

NASA officials say bad weather could force the shuttle Columbia to land early. Mission control in Houston say a front of high winds and rain moving toward the desert landing site in California could force the shuttle to return tomorrow instead of Tuesday as planned.

The New York jury deliberating the fate of two teen-agers in the brutal rape of a Central Park jogger today questioned police treatment of one defendant between his videotaped confessions. The question pleased the defense, which maintains the defendant was tricked into making incriminating statements.

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#90343u1323 12/09/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 9) UPI - One planeload of American hostages from Iraq has landed in the United States and another is on its way. The State Department says a U-S-chartered Iraqi airliner carrying about 300 former hostages, including 175 Americans, left Baghdad for Frankfurt, Germany, today... and will return to the Washington, D-C, area tomorrow. Earlier today, 31 other Americans arrived in Houston from Baghdad aboard a privately-owned Boeing 707. Former Texas Governor John Connally helped arrange their release.

Secretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze arrived in Houston, Texas, today for talks on the Persian Gulf crisis and a superpower summit. The two diplomats will huddle tomorrow and Tuesday in their

third meeting in two years. The Soviet news agency Tass says Shevardnadze and Baker- quote- ''will examine regional problems, above all the gulf crisis.'' Moscow has backed the U-S goal of compelling Iraq to leave Kuwait.

NASA says flight controllers are considering ordering the shuttle Columbia home tomorrow, one day earlier than planned because of possible bad weather. Officials say forecasts call for high winds and rain in the Mojave Desert area for Tuesday's scheduled nighttime touchdown. Officials say a decision will be made early tomorrow on whether to order the astronauts to land early.

An Israeli soldier was killed and two others wounded in the West Bank today when homemade bombs exploded as an army patrol passed the entrance to the Civil Administration offices in Bethlehem. The military clamped a curfew on the area after the blasts. The explosions came just hours after an Arab was slain during clashes in the Gaza Strip on the third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising.

President Bush, just back from a six-day South American tour, apparently has run out of gas. The go-go president had planned to attend a Christmas show in Washington tonight, but after an afternoon of tennis a White House spokesman said Bush is simply tuckered out and will spend a quiet evening at home. The president faces a busy week ahead, hosting a parade of high-ranking foreign visitors in the Oval Office- including Israel's prime minister and the Soviet foreign minister.

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(DEC. 9) UPI - An estimated 175 Americans will spend the night in Germany before returning to the United States tomorrow... ending their stint as hostages held by Iraq. The State Department says a second U-S-chartered plane will depart Baghdad with more Americans on Tuesday. But the spokesman is NOT predicting when several hundred other Americans in Iraq and Kuwait will be freed.

The Persian Gulf crisis is NOT just taking a heavy toll on the nation's military... it's causing a fiscal crunch among American television networks struggling to cover the story. A published report says networks are cutting back to fund the coverage... with C-B-S trimming the staff of established shows such as ''60 Minutes. ''

Election officials are busy counting the vote from Poland's first popular presidential battle, with official results expected tomorrow. But computer projections based on exit polls show that Lech Walesa won the election, with the Solidarity leader expected to take nearly 75 percent of today's vote. Walesa told about five- thousand cheering supporters in Gdansk- quote- ''I want to be your biggest servant, NOT your president.''

Federal officials say a polar bear killed a man walking with his girlfriend in a remote northwest Alaska village- the first such attack in recent memory. The bear dragged the man's body away and a search party followed a trail of blood and tracks for about an hour until they found the bear sleeping by the partially-eaten body. The bear was shot and killed... and biologists will examine the animal's body to see if it was a hungry bear going after prey or if something was wrong with the bear.

An industry analyst says a decrease in wholesale gasoline prices is NOT translating into lower prices at the gas pumps. Trilby Lundberg says a hike in the federal gas tax offset the price cut... leaving the average price of gas nationwide virtually unchanged from three weeks ago. The December 7th Lundberg Survey of service stations across the nation found the average retail price for a gallon of gasoline was one- dollar 46 cents.

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#90343u1772 12/09/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 9) UPI - The exodus of foreigners from Iraq included Americans today, with a jetliner carrying 31 Americans landing today in Texas. The 31 included men held hostage or trapped in Iraq and Kuwait, along with relatives who flew overseas to be with them. Later, a plane carrying about 175 Americans arrived in Germany from Baghdad. The former hostages will spend the night in Frankfort before flying to the United States tomorrow.

A London newspaper says Iraq appears to be redrawing the Iraqi-Kuwaiti border by putting up barbed wire around the northern part of Kuwait. The paper says Iraq built the barrier complete with apparent customs and immigration posts- a sign Iraq may be planning a partial withdrawal.

The man who led Poland's Solidarity trade union in a decadelong battle that ended communist rule is looking at a new title. Computer projections based on exit polls show Lech Walesa won today's presidential election. Walesa told a cheering crowd in Gdansk that he wants to be their ''servant'' NOT their president.

The Israeli military imposed curfews on much of the occupied territories on the third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising. Despite the crackdown, an Israeli soldier died as two bombs exploded in Bethlehem and an Arab was slain in a clash with soldiers in the Gaza Strip. Israeli army statistics estimate the cost of maintaining Israeli troops in the territories during the uprising has cost approximately 750-Million dollars.

New York City's already littered sidewalks may soon be covered by uncollected trash. Private sanitation workers who pick up 40 percent of the city's trash went on strike today, rejecting a new contract offered by about 250-thousand city businesses. The rejected offer featured a pay freeze until June.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Vista Biologicals, a San-Diego-based producer of animal cells for use in research and in the manufacture of pharmaceuticals, has agreed, in principal, to sell a large portion of Vista's assets to UniSyn Fibertec Corp., according to Stan Yakatan, president of UniSyn.

The combination of the Vista and UniSyn technologies will result in the creation of a cell production facility with capabilities which are presently unavailable anywhere in the biotech or pharmaceutical industries, Yakatan said.

A key part of the agreement, according to Yakatan, is that Vista's president, Dr. Robert Fleischaker, will become head of research and development at UniSyn. ''Dr. Fleischaker brings with him much more than a complementary technology. Taking advantage of his well-known scientific prowess is an important part of our growth plans,'' Yakatan said.

The agreement between UniSyn and Vista is subject to approval of the board of directors of both companies.

Yakatan said that the principal assets to be purchased involve the equipment, know-how and other aspects surrounding Vista's stir tank and fermentation technology for the production of animal cells. The Vista technology will be consolidated into the new Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) compliant Contract Manufacturing Facility currently being constructed by UniSyn near Rancho Bernardo.

With the acquisition of the Vista assets, the new UniSyn GMP facility will be able to culture cells using either UniSyn's proprietary scaleable hollow fiber methods or Vista's stir tank and perfusion fermentation processes, Yakatan said.

UniSyn Fibertec is sole owner and manufacturer of the only scaleable hollow fiber technology for the production of mammalian cells. UniSyn is a leading provider of instruments, devices, and consumables to the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries.

UniSyn also provides the Profile(TM) contract production service for the manufacture of cells. The Profile(TM) business will be a key element of the new UniSyn GMP facility.

UniSyn Fibertec is a majority-owned subsidiary of Synbiotics Corp. (NASDAQ:SBIO).

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DENVER (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Hamilton Oil Corp. Monday announced the declaration of its quarterly cash dividend of $0.025 per share on its common stock.

The dividend will be paid on Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 21, 1990.

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#90344b0026 12/10/1990 ~Business Wire
CAMARILLO, CA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Vitesse Semiconductor Corp. and Tamarack Microelectronics Inc. announced Monday that Tamarack has been named as the sole authorized distributor and design center for Vitesse in Taiwan in the Republic of China and Hong Kong.

Tamarack will serve as a distributor and will be working with customers to help them implement their designs in Vitesse GaAs gate arrays and standard cell products.

Vitesse Semiconductor was founded in 1984 to develop, manufacture, and market cost-effective digital gallium arsenide circuits for the high-performance electronics marketplace. The company has focused its efforts to date on the development of high-performance GaAs ICs incorporating proven silicon manufacturing techniques in the wafer fabrication process.

Its product family of GaAs ICs available to commercial and military customers includes gate arrays, standard cells, RAMs, telecommunications, networking and logic products. Vitesse is the leading supplier of digital GaAs integrated circuits. The company has headquarters in Camarillo, 40 miles north of Los Angeles.

Tamarack Microelectronics is the leading manufacturers representative and design service for integrated circuits in Taiwan and Hong Kong. Founded in 1987, Tamarack excels in engineering services for system, discrete, integrated circuit and other manufacturing services. Tamarack specializes in PC related ASICs, LAN modules and chips and mixed Analog-Digital applications.

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REDWOOD CITY, CALIF. (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - DHL, the leading international air express service, Monday announced it had concluded a share transaction with Japan Airlines, Deutsche Lufthansa AG and the Japanese trading company, Nissho Iwai, which was first announced in May of this year.

Japan Airlines and Lufthansa now each own a 5 percent interest in DHL International Ltd. and Nissho Iwai, a 2.5 percent interest, with options to purchase up to 25 percent each for Japan Airlines and Lufthansa and 7.5 percent for Nissho Iwai within 18 months.

The new partners have also taken between them a 2.5 percent stake in DHL Corporation of the United States, with the possibility of increased participation in the future.

Patrick Foley, chairman, president and chief executive officer of DHL Corp., said, ''This new relationship is the first global cargo transport link-up in the 'triad' of North America, Europe and Asia where international trade is growing at up to 30 percent per year. This alliance will provide DHL with additional capacity and greater flexibility in the services we offer to keep pace with market growth and to meet the changing needs of our customer base.''

DHL carries more than 40 million international shipments a year for its customers, which include virtually all multi-national companies in the fields of high-tech, finance, transportation, automotive and manufacturing, among others.

The DHL network has 25,000 employees and 1,350 service centers in 188 countries. With a customer base numbering more than 1 million, the entire DHL network's revenues will exceed $1.9 billion in 1990.

The DHL Worldwide Express network is comprised of DHL Corp., which, through its wholly owned subsidiary, DHL Airways Inc., provides all services in the United States and its territories and DHL International, which operates in all other areas of the world. DHL Corp.'s headquarters is in Redwood City and DHL International's is in Brussels, Belgium.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Diagnostic Products Corp. (NYSE:DP) announced Monday that its board of directors has approved an increase in the quarterly dividend from 6 cents to 8 cents per share of common stock commencing with the quarterly dividend to be paid in the first quarter of 1991.

Sigi Ziering, chairman of the board, stated that the increased dividend reflects the company's strong financial condition and the board's desire to enhance shareholder value.

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ENGLEWOOD, COLO (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Intercontinental Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ:ENTI, listed as ''IntEnt'' each Monday in the Wall Street Journal under NASDAQ Weekly Bid and Ask Quotations) and Blazo Corp. (NASDAQ pink sheets: BLAC) announced jointly Monday the signing of a letter of intent for the exchange of stock.

Under this agreement, Intercontinental will acquire 100 percent of the common stock of Vision Television Network Inc. held by Blazo, in exchange for 50 million shares of its common stock.

Pursuant to the agreement, Intercontinental will exchange additional shares of its common stock or cash to purchase all of the partnership units of a general partnership that exists outside of Blazo Corp.

Vision's unaudited revenues for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1990, were approximately $16 million. Based on Vision's projections for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1991, the acquisition would add approximately $30 million in revenues and up to $10 million in net earnings to Intercontinental's consolidated financial statements for 1991.

Vision is engaged in the business of television barter, and controls a film and television library of over 6,000 titles which it exchanges with television stations and cable systems for unused advertising time.

This ''time bank'' is then used by Vision's retail marketing division to advertise various products and services on a ''direct response'' basis. The acquisition strengthens the marketing support for Intercontinental's existing foreign and domestic operations.

Intercontinental's holdings in China make Vision a natural acquisition for the company. Intercontinental has been looking for a marketing organization to become the marketing arm for various products that can be manufactured in China.

Kenneth Jackson, president and chief executive officer of Blazo Corp., stated that he ''believes that the deal is a good one for all concerned. It will give Vision a broader base to expand its operation and will give the shareholders of Blazo a substantial position in an international company that promises opportunities in the foreign marketplace.''

The agreement is subject to shareholder approval of Intercontinental and Blazo shareholders.

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SINGAPORE (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America has named Suresh K. Ahuja a regional treasurer in the bank's Asia Division, a senior vice president.

"Suresh's capabilities and depth of experience have brought success and profitability to our complex and important treasury activities," Executive Vice President John V. Rindlaub, head of the Asia Division, said.

"He has 18 years of experience in money markets and trading activities in all major currencies. He has worked in the United States, London, Caracas, and Singapore, and proven himself an excellent manager of both treasury activities and of trading personnel."

Ahuja, 45, joined Bank of America in 1972 as a financial analyst in San Francisco. In 1972, he entered the bank's international market risk training program, later working in positions of increasing responsibility in San Francisco, London, and Caracas.

In 1978, he was named vice president-foreign exchange and monetary officer for the bank's Latin America and Caribbean Division, based in Caracas. He was named that division's liability manager in 1981, and its Treasurer the following year.

In 1988, Ahuja assumed his responsibilities as Asia Division's Southern Asia Regional Treasurer. Based in Singapore, he manages the bank's Asia Currency Unit and Singapore trading unit and supervises trading activities in Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, The Philippines, India, and South Korea.

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REDMOND, WA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. Monday released the preliminary specification for object linking and embedding (referred to here as OLE), a new technology which provides graphical applications developers with a powerful new set of capabilities for integrating information created by different applications.

The OLE specification enables developers to access these advanced capabilities by making simple extensions to existing graphical applications which run under Microsoft Windows graphical environment version 3.0, OS/2 Presentation Manager and Apple Macintosh System 7.0.

Object linking and embedding has been developed as an open, industry-wide specification, led by the Microsoft applications group, incorporating input and contributions by other applications developers including Lotus Development Corp., Aldus Corp., WordPerfect Corp. and Micrografx. The OLE specification was made available today in preliminary form to more than 200 software developers at an ISV design workshop hosted by Microsoft in Redmond.

Object Linking and Embedding

Object linking and embedding was developed to meet the needs of users to integrate information from different applications. While it evolved from and complements the static Windows clipboard and dynamic data exchange (DDE) linking capabilities, the OLE specification represents a significantly more powerful set of capabilities. OLE supports two ways of importing information into a document: a user may choose to ''embed'' it, that is, to place the information into the target document, or the user may insert a link to the source information. With OLE, information is exchanged as ''objects'' containing the application's data or link to that data.

The exchange of objects, for example, enables a graphical word processing document to access information from any other graphical application which supports object linking and embedding. The ''object'' containing the source application data for a chart, for example, can be inserted into a word processing application without requiring the word processor to understand the format of the chart. The word processor simply calls APIs (Application Programming Interfaces) in the OLE dynamic link library (DLL) when it needs to invoke or edit the object. The OLE DLL is the code which manages the OLE protocol.

For example, by using OLE to develop a compound document, it is a simpler task for the user to create and update a monthly report containing information from various applications such as formatted text files, spreadsheets, and maps and

diagrams from a graphics package. The user sets up the report as a compound document, embedding the appropriate applications. Because the document is linked to the actual applications, as they are individually updated, the composite monthly report is updated automatically. This automatic updating is more powerful than today's cut-and-paste method, which requires more direct manipulation of individual applications by the end user.

OLE enables applications to work closely together, even if these applications have been developed by different vendors, employing different data formats, and OLE allows the user to look at information in the context of a single document without needing to manually switch from application to application. The process of deciding what application code to run and how to do that is hidden from the user and fully automated.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ: MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems, network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, hardware and CD-ROM products for the microcomputer marketplace.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Bell announced Monday its largest agreement for CENTREX IS (Integrated Systems) service, the company's new Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) offering, with Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL).

The company said that JPL will implement 1,000 basic-rate lines during the next two years at its facilities in La Canada and Altadena.

Jim Sands, Pacific Bell account manager for JPL, said this is the largest order for CENTREX IS since it became generally available last December.

While JPL will be developing specific applications during the next two years, at this time they plan to use CENTREX IS for personal-computer-to-LAN access, switched-56-Kbps applications, as a substitution for coaxial cable and applications requiring high bandwidth on demand.

CENTREX IS also will increase data throughput and eliminate throughput variations caused by varying network demands in comparison to the present coaxial interconnections.

The move also will allow transmission speed to increase from 9.6 Kbps to 19.2 Kbps with the potential to go as high as 64 Kbps.

In addition, JPL will realize considerable economic savings by replacing broadband coaxial-cable connections between Ethernet LANs with standard phone lines.

During the next five years, JPL plans to replace many of its 13,000 lines with CENTREX IS as older customer premises equipment is phased out, Iverson said.

Sands said that JPL's ambitious plans for CENTREX IS will benefit from Pacific Bell's automated system for provisioning ISDN services. Pacific Bell is the only company with a mechanized system for handling complex ISDN service orders.

Both of the JPL locations and adjacent facilities will be served from the same Northern Telecom DMS SuperNode switching system. The DMS SuperNode provides a full set of sophisticated features and services, including the industry's most comprehensive offering of digital residential and business services, such as CLASS, Meridian Digital Centrex, Meridian ISDN Centrex, data and networking features.

ISDN increases the efficiency of telecommunications systems by dividing a standard telephone line into as many as three digital channels, making a single line capable of simultaneously transmitting voice, data and video. At its foundation are standards for the telecommunications network of the future that eventually will be implemented worldwide.

Pacific Bell CENTREX is a private business communications system that operates from a Pacific Bell central switching office, rather than from privately owned equipment located at customers' premises.

Pacific Bell is a subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, a diversified worldwide telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

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DALLAS (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Aancor Holdings Inc., the parent of National Gypsum Co., Monday announced that Peter C. Browning, president and chief executive officer of Aancor and National Gypsum, has been elected to the additional position of chairman of the board of directors of Aancor, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

He succeeds John P. Hayes, who has been named chairman emeritus. Browning, 49, joined the company in February 1989 as executive vice president of Gold Bond

Building Products division after 24 years of service with Continental Can Co. Inc.

In August 1989, he was named president and chief executive officer of Gold Bond and was elected to the Aancor board of directors in December 1989. He was named president and chief executive officer of Aancor and National Gypsum in October 1990, succeeding John P. Hayes, 69, who retired from the company after 43 years of service.

Browning was graduated from Colgate University in 1963 with a bachelor of arts degree in history and received an MBA degree from the University of Chicago in 1976.

Aancor Holdings Inc. was formed in 1986 as part of an acquisition of National Gypsum. Aancor is a privately held company. National Gypsum, with 1989 sales of $1.4 billion, consists of two primary operating divisions: Gold Bond Building Products, the nation's second largest manufacturer and supplier of gypsum wallboard and related products, and The Austin Co., the oldest and one of the largest design, engineering and construction firms in the United States.

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OMAHA, NE (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Data Transmission Network Corp. and Street Software Technology Inc. of New York, announced Monday the introduction of DTN Treasuries, a United States Treasury securities quote service now available as an additional service on DTN Wall Street.

DTN Wall Street is an electronic business news and financial markets information and quotes service with more than 2,500 subscribers.

DTN Wall Street subscribers receive more than 60 electronic screens (pages) of information, including business news, economic reports, delayed quotes on user-selected stocks, bonds and mutual funds, commodity futures quotes, indexes, currency and precious metals prices, market commentary and more.

DTN Wall Street is priced at $29.95 per month for delivery via selected cable television systems and $34.95 per month if received via satellite. DTN provides all of the equipment required to receive the service as part of the monthly subscription fee.

The DTN Treasuries service will display indications of prices and yields on United States Treasury securities, including active T-Bills and all notes, bonds and strips. The price quotes will be updated every fifteen minutes during the United States cash trading hours of 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Eastern time.

Street Software Technology will use data from Bear, Stearns, & Co. Inc., a primary dealer in Treasury securities, to produce the price quotes. The quotes will be an indicator of the market in each security but will not represent bids or offers from Bear, Stearns or any other source to buy or sell the treasury securities.

The DTN Treasuries quote service will be available as an add-on service to subscribers of DTN Wall Street for $40 per month, in addition to the $29.95 or $34.95 subscription fee for the basic DTN Wall Street service.

At $69.95 or $74.95 per month, DTN Treasuries will be the first economically priced service to deliver both treasury quotes and financial market news electronically. Street Software Technology Inc. is a leading software and analytics firm that specializes in the fixed income market.

The company provides end-of-day quotes and analysis to a variety of institutional investors, traders and publications.

The market for the DTN Treasuries service is expected to be financial institutions, insurance companies, corporate cash managers, financial planners and individual investors.

Based in Omaha, Data Transmission Network Corp. is a leading provider of video text information and communication services. The company has more than 53,000 subscribers to its three primary electronics services, DTN AgDaily, DTN Wall Street and DTNergy.

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OTTAWA, ONTARIO (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Gandalf Technologies Inc. has established a new company, Gandalf Mobile Systems Inc. (GMSI), to pursue opportunities in mobile communications markets worldwide.

GMSI is jointly owned by its management and Gandalf Technologies, the majority shareholder. GMSI formerly operated within Gandalf as the company's Computer Dispatch Systems division.

GMSI president and chief executive officer is Herb Woods, 43. Woods was general manager of the Computer Dispatch Systems division since 1988. Chairman of the new company is Gandalf Technologies Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Des Cunningham.

GMSI has a clear mandate to address the rapidly growing market for mobile data communications, according to Cunningham. Additionally the creation of GMSI allows Gandalf Technologies to focus its resources more sharply on its core businesses.

GMSI's plans to diversify and expand its business include marketing the Cabmate system in Australia and Europe.

The new company also will market integrated dispatch systems to courier and trucking customers worldwide, and it will provide dispatch systems on public radio networks as well as on GMSI's private radio network, according to Woods.

GMSI will continue to operate from its current headquarters at 177 Colonnade Road, Nepean, Ontario, and from its U.S. sales and service office in Wheeling, Ill.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Gas and Electric Company announced Monday the acquisition by PG&E Resources of Corpus Christi Exploration Company, a privately held gas and oil exploration and development company which operates primarily offshore in the Gulf of Mexico.

PG&E Resources, headquartered in Dallas, acquires, develops, explores for, produces, processes and markets natural gas and oil resources. It is a wholly-owned subsidiary of PG&E Enterprises, the unregulated business unit of Pacific Gas and Electric.

Corpus Christi Exploration will become PG&E Resources Offshore Company. It will continue to operate over 100 wells in the Gulf of Mexico with a daily producing capacity in excess of 225 million cubic feet of gas for itself and joint venture partners.

San Francisco -based Pacific Gas and Electric Company is the largest investor-owned energy utility in the United States and supplies natural gas and electricity to 11 million California residents. The company has 352,000 shareholders and assets of some $22 billion.

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SANTA ANA, CA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. has trademarked NOVAPAGE, a unique, sophisticated and intelligent peripheral communications product that automates paging processes.

An alternative for automatically paging employees, NOVAPAGE is an innovative peripheral product consisting of an INTEL micro processor platform motherboard 1MEG ram, one floppy drive, color monitor, a PC printer and intelligent dialers. Currently NOVAPAGE performs approximately 300 pages per hour; this will expand to 800 pages per hour in the first quarter of 1991.

Novadyne developed the product internally and, since December 1988, has successfully completed over 500,000 pages for its own field engineering organization.

Sales and marketing distribution company Dispatch Technologies and Novadyne reached an agreement in 1990 providing that the Westport, Conn.-based Dispatch Technologies assume distribution for the Novadyne-manufactured NOVAPAGE called CAPTAIN (computerized automated paging terminal).

This strategic alliance allows that Novadyne provide the support services necessary to interface and maintain the NOVAPAGERS sold by Dispatch Technologies in North America.

CAPTAIN takes page commands from a host computer at speeds upwards of 19.2 Kbytes and transmits them. Customer pager records are maintained in the host computer, therefore users never have to worry about lost or corrupted data or data-entry errors in NOVAPAGE.

CAPTAIN is fully compatible with all RCC protocols, a feature that ensures ease of installation and guarantees the flexibility to add or to otherwise modify system configurations. It engages in two-way dialogue with all industry-standard RCC paging terminals including all voice prompt and nationwide paging protocols. It interfaces with any system that communicates through an RS-232 port or 3270 protocol.

Future enhancements will include LAN interconnectivity.

Dispatch Technologies specializes in providing consultation as well as various telecommunications and computer-related products primarily to the field service and disaster recovery industry. They market into industries which require centralized dispatching improvements, cost control and business-resumption planning.

Novadyne Computer Systems products and services are marketed nationwide to companies in all facets of commerce including aerospace, retailing, transportation, distribution, communications, health care, educational organizations and federal and local government agencies.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM researchers will reveal here this week that they have built transistors out of a promising computer chip material called ''silicon-on-insulator'' that run three times faster than comparable pure silicon transistors.

The researchers will present their work Wednesday at the International Electron Devices Meeting (IEDM) convening in San Francisco this week.

The transistors are the Complementary Metal Oxide or CMOS type of electronic devices, a mainstay of computer chips that power laptop and personal computers. The development, said Dr. Ghavam Shahidi, indicates the long range promise of silicon-on-insulator, a material that could someday speed operation and decrease errors in computer circuits. Shahidi is a research staff member at IBM's T.J. Watson Research Center in Yorktown Heights N.Y.

Computer scientists have long known that silicon grown on top of an insulating material, known as SOI, offers advantages over silicon alone for building computer circuits. By putting the silicon (a semiconductor material that conducts charge), over an insulator (a material that does not conduct charge) chip designers can reduce leakage of current from the semiconductor and speed the chip's operation.

Silicon-on-insulator also protects tiny computer circuits from ''soft errors '' mistakes caused by exposure to external radiation sources such as cosmic rays.

But despite the appealing properties of SOI, the material has proven difficult to produce, primarily because of the very different properties of semiconductors and insulators. That mismatch has stood in the way of growing the kind of defect-free, ultra-thin layers of silicon on top of an insulator that are necessary for computer chips.

But, at the IEDM conference, the IBM researchers will report a new way to coax silicon to grow on insulator that results in material that is virtually defect-free and comparable in quality to pure silicon.

To grow the thin films of silicon-on-insulator, the scientists started with a silicon wafer as a base. To grow oxide on top, they heated the wafer in an 1,800 degree Fahrenheit furnace in the presence of oxygen. The process produced a layer of silicon dioxide, which is the insulator.

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RICHLAND, WASH. (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Engineers from the Hanford site have developed a faster, safer and more economical method for drilling ground water monitoring wells and minimizing risk to workers.

''We need to find a better method to drill ground water monitoring wells to lower costs and comply with the Tri-Party Agreement,'' said Denny Myers, principal engineer for Westinghouse Hanford Co. ''Our traditional method of cable tool drilling is too slow and expensive and may not be able to keep up with the increased number of wells required for ground water monitoring. We needed to look at alternative methods of well drilling that would provide these improvements and maintain control of potentially contaminated drill cuttings.''

The Tri-Party Agreement provides a blueprint for clean up of the radioactive and chemical wastes at the Hanford site over the next 30 years. The increased number of ground water monitoring wells on the Hanford site is a requirement of the agreement and federal environmental laws.

''We combined several existing technologies and came up with a drill cutting containment system that can be used with any drilling technique which uses compressed air to remove the drill cuttings from the borehole,'' Myers explained.

The drill cutting containment system removes soil and rock particles from the discharge air stream and packages these materials in waste containers until samples can be analyzed and the appropriate disposal method can be determined. The ability to control and package the drill cuttings makes it possible to consider the use of alternative drilling methods such as air rotary or dual wall percussion hammer for the construction of ground water monitoring wells.

Drill cuttings that are generated while drilling the well are discharged to a cyclone separator which removes most of the cuttings and places them in 55 gallon drums. The air and remaining small particulate that were not removed by the cyclone are discharged to a secondary containment tank where the air passes through two stages of filtration before being discharged to the environment. The containment and waste packaging system removes 99.97 percent of the particles larger than 0.3 microns from the air.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM scientists attending the International Electron Devices Meeting (IEDM) here this week will announce several world speed records for the kinds of circuits used in high-speed mainframe computers.

''We now hold all the important records for laboratory versions of the kinds of circuits found in high-end computers,'' said Paul Horn, who directs silicon research at IBM's T.J. Watson Research Center in Yorktown Heights, N.Y.

The records, Horn said, set new standards for the future fast circuits of the kind now used in mainframe computers. And they promise a long life for silicon as a computer chip material for the fastest computers.

The records were set using ''bipolar'' transistors, so-called because they use both positively and negatively charged particles to carry electrical current. The experimental transistors described by IBM at this conference carry current through thin ''control'' layers that are just 600 Angstroms -- or 2.4 millionths of an inch -- thick.

At the IEDM conference Monday and Tuesday, IBM will announce new switching speed records for circuits using both types -- known as ''NPN'' and ''PNP'' -- of bipolar transistors. Switching speed or gate delay is the time it takes for electrical current to travel through a standard benchmark circuit. (That circuit, a standard in the computer industry, is known as an emitter coupled logic or ECL circuit.)

The three IBM world records are:

- Circuits using both silicon and silicon-germanium NPN transistors that switch in less than 25 picoseconds. (A picosecond is a trillionth of a second.) These NPN transistors are fabricated with a control layer of material that contains mostly positively charged carriers (P) sandwiched between two layers that contain mostly negatively charged carriers (N).

The NPN bipolar transistors are widely used in today's high-performance mainframe computers. IBM scientists are the first to successfully build circuits using the silicon-germanium transistors.

- A circuit using pure silicon PNP transistors that runs in 35 picoseconds. (PNP is the complementary configuration for bipolar transistors, where a thin control layer with mostly negatively charged current carriers is sandwiched between two layers of material with mostly positively charged carriers.)

The new record for PNP transistors is six times faster than the old record of 216 picoseconds, set in 1986. It shows that complementary PNP transistors can operate in the same speed range as NPN transistors, opening the possibility

that they could be put together in new bipolar circuits, a design that would conserve power while maintaining the highest speeds.

- An individual NPN silicon-germanium transistor that operates at a frequency of 97 billion cycles per second when cooled to -300 degrees Fahrenheit (-184 degrees Centigrade). The ultra-fast speed promises possible application of the bipolar transistors to supercooled, superfast computers of the future.

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MILPITAS, CA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - NetFRAME Systems Inc. Monday announced that unmodified, standard NetWare 386 v. 3.1 from Novell will be available for the NetFRAME system family in January 1991, offering customers all the enhancements and functionality of the latest release of NetWare such as support for NetWare Loadable Modules (NLMs), third-party applications and databases.

Current NetFRAME customers with NetWare 386 v. 3.0 for NetFRAME will be upgraded to the 3.1 release at no charge.

NetFRAME also disclosed that it has been accepted into and will participate in Novell's Independent Manufacturer Support Program (IMSP) Level II. Through this select test and certification program, Novell and NetFRAME will work together to guarantee that NetFRAME systems support each new release of NetWARE prior to first customer shipments of the product.

This will ensure concurrent first customer shipments of future Novell products and will facilitate fast and efficient resolution of any joint Novell/NetFRAME support questions.

NetFRAME will bundle NetWare 386 v. 3.1 with NetFRAME's powerful network management and administration software products, ''SAM'' and ''RCON.'' These tools, unique to NetFRAME systems, reduce the cost and complexity of network server maintenance and administration.

NetFRAME Systems Inc. is a privately-held company started in 1987 by Carlton G. Amdahl, a veteran mainframe computer scientist, and Enzo Torresi, co-founder of Businessland Inc.

The company designs, manufactures and markets a family of multiprocessor network computers that run industry standard network operating systems for the PC-LAN environment. NetFRAMEs combine the high reliability, data integrity and computing power of mainframes with the manageability, flexibility and cost advantages of personal computers.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - More than two million members of USAA will be able to enjoy significant savings and 100-percent digital quality on their long distance service thanks to a custom designed program announced Monday by US Sprint and USAA Buying Services.

Under the comprehensive new program, USAA members who sign up for Dial 1 or Sprint Plus(sm) will receive the benefit of a special USAA discount. Additionally, new customers who switch to US Sprint's high-quality long distance services will receive a $5 certificate per line towards the switchover which accommodates up to two telephone lines.

The USAA program also includes a customized FONCARD(sm), US Sprint's travel card, which allows the user to charge calls from any phone, even rotary. Dial 1 and Sprint Plus are US Sprint's long distance services for residential and small businesses.

Richard Goertz, USAA's Buying Services vice president, stated, ''US Sprint's emphasis on quality and customer service mirrors USAA's commitment to our members.''

USAA members began receiving information on US Sprint's USAA program early this fall and are now invited to call 1-800/800-USAA (1-800/800-8722) to initiate long distance service.

Changing their service to US Sprint's USAA program helps members save substantially on their monthly long distance bills. USAA members also will receive a unique benefit package that provides additional discounts on all long distance calls.

USAA, founded in 1922, is a large insurance and diversified financial services institution with a home office in San Antonio, Texas. It manages more than $18 billion in assets. USAA's current membership is over 2 million members and associate members, including more than 96 percent of active duty military officers.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Hyundai is placing increasing emphasis on its family of monitors as it continues to broaden its product offerings with two new 14-inch VGA displays: the HCM-421E Super VGA color monitor and the HMM-413 VGA monochrome.

With the addition of these two new models, Hyundai meets a wide range of graphics and text processing needs with a selection that now includes 12-inch and 14-inch monochrome and VGA monochrome, 14-inch VGA color in a choice of resolution, and a 19-inch one megapixel double-page monochrome monitor.

Prices: The HCM-421E Super-VGA color monitor is priced at $629 (S.R.P.); the HMM-413 is $199 (S.R.P.). Both are available in December.

The HCM-421E is a 14-inch Super-VGA color monitor with 0.28 dot pitch and a resolution of 1024 by 768, which makes it ideal for high resolution graphics. It can support up to 256 colors. The HCM-421E is an RGB analog monitor with paper white phosphor display and ergonomic tilt and swivel stand.

Hyundai's monitors, as are all of Hyundai's personal computer products, are covered by the company's 18-month warranty. An optional on-site service program is also available for Hyundai's PCs and monitors.

Hyundai Electronics America is a major supplier of a full line of quality, reliable monitors and personal computer products that are competitively priced.

Hyundai's wide experience in electronics extends beyond personal computers to telecommunications products, industrial electronics and semiconductors, produced worldwide by Hyundai Electronics Industries, Co. Ltd. (HEI), of which Hyundai Electronics America is a subsidiary. HEI belongs to the $32 billion Hyundai Group, the largest industrial company in Korea.

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DALLAS (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of trustees of Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust (NASDAQ: CMETS) Monday announced they authorized the

purchase of up to $1.0 million of common stock of Transcontinental Realty Investors Inc. (NYSE: TCI) and up to $1.0 million of shares of beneficial interest of National Income Realty Trust (NASDAQ: NIRTS) through negotiated and open market transactions.

The board of National Income Realty Trust approved the purchase of up to $1.0 million of shares of beneficial interest of Continental Mortgage. Management of the trusts will determine the amount and timing of stock purchases based on the market prices of the shares relative to management's assessment of their underlying asset value.

''We continue to believe the pervasive negative sentiment toward real estate-related stocks provides an excellent investment opportunity,'' said a spokesperson for the trusts.

Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust and National Income Realty Trust are combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trusts which operate nationwide. The two trusts, and Transcontinental Realty Investors Inc. are advised by National Realty Advisors Inc. and share the same board.

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TEMPE, ARIZ (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Motorola Inc. (NYSE:MOT), Monday announced that Anaheim, Calif.-based General Automation Inc. (ASE:GA) will purchase the company's Delta Series 3000 and Delta Series 8000 computer systems under a long-term original equipment manufacturing (OEM) agreement.

Motorola estimates the value of the multi-year agreement to be in excess of $36 million.

Under terms of the agreement with the Motorola Computer Group, General Automation will use the Motorola computers as a platform for its future PICK/UNIX and UNIX-oriented computer systems. Orders for systems to be shipped to Australia and the United Kingdom have been received by General Automation.

General Automation will port PICK/UNIX-based operating systems, as well as portions of its worldwide library of PICK-based applications software to the Delta Series systems. General Automation's R91 Enhanced Pick Application Environment will be ported to Delta Series systems in the future, thereby assuring their customers of migration path alternatives as technology advances.

The Delta Series 3000 and Delta Series 8000 are UNIX-based computer systems. The Delta Series 3000 uses the Motorola MC68030 complex instruction set

computer (CISC) microprocessor, and the Delta Series 8000 uses the Motorola M88000 reduced instruction set computer (RISC) processor.

General Automation offers business systems, related application and system-level software, and field service capabilities that are provided through a multinational network of computer marketing, support and service companies in the United States, United Kingdom, Europe, Latin America and in the South Pacific/East Asia region.

Motorola is one of the world's leading providers of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets. Products include two-way radios, pagers, cellular telephone systems, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronics equipment, computers, data communications, and information processing and handling equipment.

Motorola was a winner of the first Malcolm Baldridge National Quality Award in 1988, in recognition of its superior company-wide quality management process.

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ORLANDO, FL (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Candle Corp., the leading supplier of DB2 performance monitoring tools, announced the availability of OMEGAMON for DB2, Version 200 at its 6th annual users conference.

Major enhancements provide the data base administrator and applications developer with easy-to-use tools needed to develop effective DB2 applications and manage expanded DB2 capabilities.

The historical feature now provides three modes of data collection to best meet the needs of both development/testing and production. The data collected provides information to prevent problems before they occur, solve current problems and understand long-term trending.

OMEGAMON for DB2 is a component of Candle's integrated system management software called OMEGACENTER, which provides analysis through the OMEGAMON family of products, automation, through the AF products and comprehensive monitoring through Status Monitor and OMEGAVIEW.

Candle Corp., founded in 1977, markets its products worldwide with 1989 revenues of $128.1 million. Corporate headquarters are in Los Angeles with eleven domestic and six international offices. The company offers customers

24 hour-a-day, seven days-a-week service and support. In addition to OMEGAMON performance and automation tools, Candle markets data base tools for DBA's and application development tools (CL product family) to assist customers with end-user productivity.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - GATX/CL Air Monday delivered LACSA Airlines' first Airbus A320-200, a state-of-the-art short-to-medium range aircraft.

LACSA, the national airline of Costa Rica, will become the first to operate this aircraft in Latin America. It also was the first delivered by the leasing company, GATX/CL Air of San Francisco. This aircraft is one of four A320s LACSA has committed to lease from GATX/CL, a joint venture between GATX Leasing and Credit Lyonnais. Delivery is scheduled to take place within the next year.

The Airbus Industrie A320 is one of the most technologically advanced commercial aircraft ever designed in its category. Designed to replace an older generation of aircraft, the A320 is a narrowbody aircraft with a spacious 168-seat interior and highly fuel efficient twin engines. The aircraft has extended range capability enabling it to handle longer overseas flights.

With the new planes secured through GATX/CL Air, LACSA will have one of the most modern fleet of aircraft in Latin America. LACSA's current international fleet consists of five Boeing 727s and a McDonnell Douglas DC-8-55 freighter.

This is the first A320 delivered through GATX/CL Air, a partnership that combines the financial resources of Credit Lyonnais and other international institutions with the marketing and equipment knowledge of GATX Air. GATX/CL Air was established in June 1988 by GATX Capital Corp. and Credit Lyonnais, one of the five largest European banks. Its portfolio of aircraft and related equipment is valued at approximately $1 billion and includes orders for 20 Airbus A320-200 aircraft, five Boeing 737-300s and one Boeing 767-200ER.

The GATX/CL Air Leasing Cooperative Association, which is set up in the Netherlands Antilles, also includes four other equity partners, Household Commercial Financial Services, Nichimen Corp., Mitsubishi Bank Limited and Sanwa Bank Limited. Each participant in the association funds purchases of equipment in proportion to its venture share and retains a significant interest in the equipment after delivery. The association is managed by GATX and co-managed by Credit Lyonnais.

GATX Capital Corp., a leader in the field of capital equipment leasing and financing, is a major lessor of commercial jet aircraft, rail and marine equipment. GATX Capital is a wholly-owned subsidiary of GATX Corp., a leading operating leasing company, founded in 1898, with total assets of $3.1 billion.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Brenda Z. Doby has been named senior vice president and manager of Sterling Bank's Entertainment Division.

The announcement was made by bank president, Joseph C. Carona. ''We are very fortunate to have such a capable and experienced professional as Brenda to head our new Entertainment Division,'' said Carona. ''We're expecting this division to be very successful in the coming year under her leadership.''

Ms. Doby comes to Sterling Bank from Lincoln National Bank. There she helped form the bank's entertainment division and served as senior vice president.

Brenda began her banking career with Bank of America where she held various lending positions. She spent seven years as vice president of the Entertainment Division of Bank of California, specializing in the financing of motion pictures and serving the financial needs of executives and entertainers in the television and music/recording industries.

Ms. Doby is a graduate of the University of California, Santa Barbara and holds a masters degree from Pepperdine University, Malibu, Calif.

The Entertainment Division of Sterling Bank is located at the bank's Beverly Hills regional office, 433 No. Camden Drive, Suite 1050. Other regional offices are in Burbank, Glendale and Tarzana. The bank's corporate headquarters and main office is in Los Angeles.

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OAKLAND, CA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Summit Bank announced the appointment of Debra J. Sprott, 40, as vice president and manager of its new Walnut Creek office.

Sprott comes to Summit Bank with 20 years of banking experience in operations,

lending, sales and marketing. Her most recent position was with Bank of Walnut Creek as manager of their Danville office.

Also joining Sprott is Geri Fernandez, 39, assistant vice president and lending officer. Fernandez also has 20 years' experience in banking. Her most recent position was with Civic Bank of Commerce in Concord.

Summit Bank, with assets of $70 million, has offices in Oakland, Walnut Creek and Emeryville.

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BERKELEY, CA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Effective Dec. 6, 1990, ''Andros Incorporated'' (NASDAQ/NMS:ANDY) is the new name of the former ''Andros Analyzers Incorporated.''

In addition to being the dominant worldwide OEM supplier of analyzer products for gas monitoring in medical and automotive garage testing environments, the company is also the major OEM supplier of coronary angioplasty imaging equipment.

Andros' NASDAQ/NMS stock symbol ''ANDY'' remains unchanged.

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DENVER (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Colorado Crystal is the definitive leader in the Denver sparkling bottled water market, according to the most recent A.C. Nielsen's Scantrack Market Survey.

Colorado Crystal, produced by Rocky Mountain Beverage Co. (NASDAQ:RMBCU), surpassed Coors' water, and all other bottled sparkling waters, in both dollar volume and market share for the period ending Nov. 3, 1990.

Colorado Crystal significantly outsold Coors in dollar volume resulting in a 19 percent market share, compared to Coors' 14.5 percent share.

Colorado Crystal regained the No. 1 position of bottled sparkling water in this market, winning over the reintroduced Perrier, Coors and Pepsico's H20h!, in spite of the competition's significantly larger size.

''We continue to believe in the superior taste and purity of Colorado Crystal '' said Raymond A. Murtha, president and chief executive officer of Rocky Mountain Beverage Co.

''Consumers familiar with bottled waters who try our product and then compare it to others clearly prefer Colorado Crystal. With the very heavy promotional spending in this market by major brands, we expect the competition to be fierce, but we welcome it.''

Colorado Crystal succeeds despite the huge expenditures of promotional money other companies are spending.

''Given the lack of support it has received in Colorado, it makes sense why Coors' has not decided whether to sell its sparkling waters nationally, regardless of the large sums of money it has spent promoting the product,'' said Murtha. ''Bottle water consumers are looking for quality, and Colorado Crystal's quality speaks for itself. Consumers believe in us and sales reflect that fact.''

Referring to the recent introduction of Colorado Crystal into the Arizona market, Murtha said that ''in a few months we expect to be ahead of Coors, even though they have had almost a year's head start on us.''

Colorado Crystal is a naturally flavored mountain spring water bottled at the source in the Grand Mesa area of Western Colorado. The Coors' product is bottled under a contract agreement by the Safeway bottling plant in east Denver.

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PROVO, UT (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Novell, Inc. (NASDAQ:NOVL) Monday reported net revenue of $497.5 million for its fiscal year ended Oct. 27, 1990 up 18 percent from net revenue of $421.9 million in fiscal 1989.

Net income for the year was $94.3 million, up 94 percent from $48.5 million in 1989. Earnings in fiscal 1990 were $1.36 per share up from $0.73 the previous year.

In the fourth fiscal quarter 1990 net revenue was $140.5 million, up 27 percent from the $111 million reported in the like period of 1989. Net income for the fourth quarter was $32.6 million, up from $14.3 million in 1989. Fourth quarter 1990 earnings were $0.46 per share, up from $0.21 per share the

year before.

Fiscal year revenue from software sales rose 38 percent to $387 million as the company continued to eliminate hardware product lines from its product mix. Software revenue accounted for 83 percent of total revenue in the fourth fiscal quarter 1990, and for the year averaged 78 percent of total revenue.

During the year Novell recorded strong growth from its new NetWare 386 operating system software for business-wide computer networks. In its first full year of availability, sales of NetWare 386 totaled more than $90 million. The company also realized very strong demand for NetWare products that network small workgroups of up to eight computers, such as PCs and Apple Macintoshes. Sales of ELS NetWare products into this market category were up well over 50 percent compared to fiscal 1989.

International revenue for the fiscal year grew 34 percent to $197 million, or 40 percent of total revenue. In 1989, international revenue stood at $147 million, or 35 percent of total revenue.

On the balance sheet, cash and short term investments increased by 96 percent over fiscal year-end 1989, reaching $255 million at the close of fiscal 1990. On average, the company's cash position grew just over $30 million per quarter throughout fiscal 1990.

The company announced a two-for-one stock split to shareholders of record as of July 31, 1990. The distribution date for the additional shares was Aug. 17. Earnings per share numbers for all periods referenced in this press release reflect this action.

Novell develops NetWare systems software products that manage and control the sharing of data across a variety of network computing environments, including computer workgroups, departmental networks and business-wide information systems.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Moss Bluff Gas Storage Systems has announced that operations have begun and gas supplies are being stored in its recently completed salt dome cavern storage facility in Liberty County, Texas.

The facility, which is coming on-line in time to enhance supply capabilities for the 1991 winter heating season, is a joint venture between subsidiaries of Phibro Energy Inc. and Tejas Power Corp. Current working storage capacity is 1.3 billion cubic feet (Bcf), and maximum daily deliverability from the cavern

is 150 million cubic feet per day.

According to Tejas Power's President Larry W. Bickle, the Moss Bluff facility will directly interconnect with five major interstate and intrastate pipelines creating a highly reliable ''pooling point'' for access to both a diverse array of gas supply sources and to gas markets in several geographic areas.

The facility will also provide for the introduction of new, innovative gas service.

''We are pleased that we were able to develop this facility in just 14 months '' Bickle said. ''As far as we know, that's an industry record. When reliable, high-deliverability of natural gas is important -- such as during the record cold snap in mid-December 1989 -- this type of storage service is critical to helping natural gas companies meet their customers' needs.''

Bickle added that Moss Bluff Storage Systems is already flowing gas to Channel Industries Gas Co., an affiliate of Tenngasco Corp., through an interconnect with Channel's 30-inch mainline system. Moss Bluff expects to begin deliveries from the cavern to Texas Eastern Gas Transmission and United Texas Transmission by mid-December.

Future interconnects with Exxon Gas Systems and Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America are planned for the first quarter of 1991.

Phibro's 50 percent ownership in Moss Bluff greatly enhances its natural gas marketing, trading and transportation activities. Phibro markets nearly 300,000 MMBtu per day utilizing firm and interruptible transportation, which will now be complimented by firm and interruptible peaking and storage.

In conjunction with the startup of the Moss Bluff facility, Phibro has initiated a bundled gas options service whereby purchasers have the firm right to call on additional peaking gas supplies over the term of the contract. Conversely, producers will use the options service to attain the firm right to deliver additional gas to Phibro under similar arrangements.

The facility's location, as well as Phibro's marketing presence, will allow Phibro to provide the options service into most Gulf Coast pipelines.

Phibro Energy Inc., a subsidiary of Salomon Inc. (NYSE:SB), is an internationally diversified energy trading company. Phibro is the world's largest trader of crude oil and refined products as well as a trader of natural gas, LPGs, petrochemicals, fertilizers, plastics, coal and coke and is the fourth-largest independent refiner in the United States and one of the world's largest ship chartering companies.

Tejas Power Corp. gathers, processes, transports, stores and markets natural gas. Tejas owns and operates more than 20 pipeline systems in Texas and

Louisiana and markets natural gas throughout the eastern United States.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The 326 employees of MGM Grand Air will launch ''Operation: Desert Cheer'' on Dec. 17 to deliver a plane-load of holiday gifts to U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia.

The luxury airline's employees in Los Angeles and New York initiated ''Operation: Desert Cheer'' to send holiday greetings to troops deployed to the Persian Gulf as part of ''Operation: Desert Shield.'' The USO is sponsoring the airlift in cooperation with the Department of Defense.

An MGM Grand Air's DC-8 Super 62 will depart for Dharhan, Saudi Arabia, from the airline's West Imperial Terminal at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 17. The plane will be loaded with more than 15 tons of gifts donated by more than 50 companies.

Gifts include Lancome Maximum Sun Block, Disney audio cassettes, Kodak cameras Gucci sunglasses, 20,000 Mrs. Fields' cookies and other upscale items. Chevron has also donated fuel, and overseas airports along the route have waived landing fees.

Schoolchildren in Hawthorne and El Segundo are writing cards and letters for the troops. Former President Reagan and Mrs. Reagan are also sending a holiday greeting card via MGM Grand Air.

''Sending gifts alone is not the main purpose of 'Operation: Desert Cheer','' said Charles L. Demoney, president and chief executive officer of MGM Grand Air. ''The true mission is to assure our troops that they are not forgotten this holiday season by the folks back home.''

On Dec. 15, the employees will wrap the gifts being sent over to the Persian Gulf and, on Dec. 16, will help load packages onto the aircraft at West Imperial Terminal.

MGM Grand Air is a transcontinental airline for the executive business travel market and offers extraordinary service at ordinary fares. MGM Grand Air, the Desert Inn Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, and the newly announced MGM Hotel and Theme Park are subsidiaries of MGM Grand Inc.

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PHOENIX (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - America West Airline's (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) ''50 Percent Off Any Fare Anywhere'' sale attracted approximately 100,000 travelers to Sky Harbor Airport's Terminal 4 on Saturday, Dec. 8.

The airline offered customers a 50 percent discount on all published fares for travel between Jan. 7 and Nov. 1, 1991. In addition, the carrier offered a ''buy one, get one free'' program on its Value Pack, Senior Saver Pack and America West Gift Certificates.

Mark Coleman, senior vice president of sales and product development for the airline said, ''America West's '50 Percent Off' sale was a phenomenal success. The response to our air travel offer was incredible.'' He added, ''The program was very unusual and to our knowledge, has never been done before.

''It may be one of the most dynamic marketing programs in the aviation history as evidenced by the superb turnout.'' Coleman noted that due to the large crowds, America West handed out rainchecks to thousands of customers.

Customers may redeem rainchecks for half-price tickets, two-for-one coupon books and two-for-one gift certificates between Jan. 6 and Jan. 20. Passengers may only purchase tickets with the 50 percent discount if a reservation had been made to meet the program guidelines and if the reservation was confirmed prior to midnight, Dec. 8.

Passengers without confirmed reservations may redeem rainchecks for Value Pack Senior Saver Pack or America West Gift Certificates. Discounts will be made on America West's Dec. 8, 1991, fare levels. Rainchecks may be redeemed at all America West ticketing locations in Phoenix.

America West, the nation's number one carrier in on-time performance, operates a fuel efficient fleet of 102 aircraft including Boeing 747s, 757s, 737s and de Havilland Dash 8s. The carrier recently acquired up to 118 Airbus A320s and will operate 16 of the new aircraft by mid-1991. America West offers convenient service with more than 650 daily flights from coast-to-coast and across the Pacific to Hawaii.

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WICHITA, KN (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Sage Drilling Co., the Wichita-based contract drilling and energy company, Monday reported a net loss of $214,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Sept. 30, 1990.

In the comparable quarter of fiscal 1990, Sage reported a net loss of $215,000. The net loss per share of 28 cents equalled the net loss per share for the same period in fiscal 1990. Total revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 amounted to $1,056,000 compared to $989,000 for the same period a year earlier.

Commenting on the first quarter results, Sage President John R. Bartholomew said, ''The current Persian Gulf crisis is beginning to affect the contract drilling industry. Our rig utilization and contract drilling revenues showed slight improvements compared to our first quarter of the prior year.

''Should the uncertainty continue in the Persian gulf, we anticipate further improvements.''

Sage Drilling Co.

Consolidated Summary of Operating Results (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89
Operating revenues	$1,039,000	$964,000
Other income	17,000	25,000
Total revenues	1,056,000	989,000
Loss before income taxes	(214,000)	(215,000)
Income tax benefits	0	0
Net loss	(214,000)	(215,000)
Loss per share	(28 cents)	(28 cents)
Average shares outstanding	764,290	764,290

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RICHARDSON, TEXAS (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Micrografx Inc. (NASDAQ:MGXI), the leading developer of PC graphics applications for the Microsoft Windows environment, Monday announced that it has entered into a letter of intent providing for the acquisition of Astral Development Corp., a developer of Windows-compatible color/grayscale image editing software.

Astral is the developer and marketer of Picture Publisher, a Windows 3.0 graphics application which enables users to access an ''Electronic Darkroom'' of interactive color image editing and manipulation tools. Picture Publisher is the first product for the IBM PC environment with the image editing power

and flexibility of Macintosh-based products.

Picture Publisher earned the ''Publish!'' magazine 1989 and 1990 Readers' Choice Award for Grayscale Image Editing and has a suggested retail price of $695.

''The addition of Astral's people and technology will add a significant new dimension to the Micrografx product line,'' said J. Paul Grayson, chairman and chief executive officer of Micrografx.

''High resolution, color image editing has just become possible on standard personal computers and we are thrilled about the possibility of acquiring a true pioneer in this area. Astral's combination of superior technology and expertise is second to none, and we are very excited about the possibility of Astral becoming a part of the Micrografx family.''

The proposed acquisition contemplates the issuance of approximately 250,000 new shares of Micrografx common stock in exchange for the stock of Astral. Consummation of the acquisition is subject to negotiation, execution and delivery of a definitive acquisition agreement and other customary conditions.

Astral Development Corp. was founded in 1988 by Frank Mazza, John Dearborn and Peter Tarca. Mazza and Dearborn worked together at Xerox Corp. marketing, selling and supporting imaging systems and joined with Peter Tarca at startup scanner manufacturer ImagiTex.

Micrografx generates nearly half of its revenues outside the United States and has over 200 employees in the United States, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany and the United Kingdom.

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DAYTON, Ohio (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Judge Frederick Smalkin, Federal District Court Judge for the District of Maryland, today dismissed without prejudice an amended complaint in a lawsuit filed by AT&T against NCR and the Maryland attorney general.

The complaint sought a declaratory judgment that the receipt of revokable proxies by AT&T for purposes of a potential shareholder vote would not make AT&T a beneficial owner of NCR shares represented by such proxies under the Maryland Business Combination Act.

Under the Maryland Business Combinations Act, a ''beneficial owner'' of 10 percent or more of the outstanding voting stock is precluded for at least five years from entering into any ''business combination'' with that corporation

unless the company's board of directors approves prior to the beneficial owner becoming a 10 percent shareholder.

Because the court dismissed the complaint, it did not consider AT&T's request to enter a temporary restraining order which would have barred NCR from commencing or prosecuting any litigation against AT&T in connection with a tender offer in any other court.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Ventura Software Inc. Monday announced the establishment of a Pacific Rim headquarters in Sydney, Australia.

Designed to offer localized contact and support for Ventura Software's family of desktop software products, the office will be responsible for marketing, managing and controlling distribution, technical support, education and training. The office will serve users in Hong Kong, Singapore, New Zealand, as well as Australia. Pacific Rim General Manager Named

Effective immediately, Graham Hobbs has been named general manager for Ventura Software Inc. Pacific Rim.

Reporting directly to Patrick Linehan, Ventura Software Inc.'s senior vice president sales and marketing, Hobbs has more than 20 years experience in publishing systems and software.

Most recently, Hobbs worked with Rank Xerox as manager of electronic publishing, supporting sales and marketing in the Pacific Rim. Prior to his tenure with Xerox, Hobbs spent 18 years with Compugraphic Corp. as regional director of the Pacific Rim business unit, where he pioneered the development of the international market for Compugraphic publishing products. Ventura Software Extends Worldwide Presence

The formation of the Australian office brings the number of worldwide Ventura Software headquarters to four, including the United States, Canada, Europe and the Pacific Rim. Pricing and Product Availability

Ventura Publisher Gold Series (DOS/GEM, Windows 3.0, Macintosh and OS/2 1.3 Editions) and FormBase 1.1 are immediately available in Pacific Rim countries.

Additionally, distributors have been signed and include: MegaVision in

Australia; Xicon in New Zealand; and Imagineering, servicing Hong Kong and Singapore.

Manufacturer's suggested retail pricing per Australian dollar:

Ventura Software Inc., a Xerox company, is a leading supplier of publishing, forms processing and database software solutions. Ventura Publisher is available in DOS/GEM, Windows 3.0 and Macintosh versions. An OS/2 Edition, based on IBM Corp.'s OS/2 version 1.3, will be released by year end.

In 1991, Ventura Publisher will also be offered for the UNIX platform running under OPEN LOOK. FormBase is currently available for IBM PCs and compatibles running under Windows 3.0. The company markets its software solutions through a worldwide dealer network of more than 6,000 outlets.

Ventura Software Inc., formerly Xerox Desktop Software, has its headquarters in San Diego.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems and The Foxboro Co., a Siebe Company, have signed a joint technology and business agreement.

This agreement will allow Foxboro to incorporate SPARC and other advanced Sun computer technologies into Foxboro's I/A Series industrial process management and control system on an ongoing basis. The agreement also includes an exclusive marketing arrangement whereby Foxboro will provide an integrated product offering to satisfy the requirements of their industrial automation customers.

The first three products to emerge from the Foxboro/Sun agreement will be available in February 1991. These Foxboro products allow a bidirectional exchange of information between Foxboro's I/A Series Systems and Sun's SPARCstation workstations and servers, MS-DOS personal computers running Sun's PC-NFS software, and other platforms.

The products are the Foxboro I/A Series Application Interface Software; the I/A Series Open Application Platform, a product that includes both the

application interface software and a SPARCstation workstation; and the I/A Series Open Information Server, a SPARCserver-based networked hardware/software product.

These new application interface products give engineers, managers and other supervisory network users direct access to plant production information. The products also provide process control operations personnel with access to appropriate engineering or business information.

With Sun's ONC networking capabilities, this high degree of interoperability and functional integration also extends to a wide assortment of other networks and host computers.

The Foxboro Co. is a major, international supplier of advanced systems, high-quality instruments and services, and comprehensive solutions for industrial process automation and real-time information management. Foxboro is a member of the Siebe PLC International Engineering and Controls group.

Sun Microsystems Inc., with headquarters in Mountain View, is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

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JOPPA, MD (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Dec. 10, 1990, Merry-Go-Round Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:MGR) announced today that its Board of Directors declared a three-for-two common stock split in the form of a 50 percent stock dividend payable on January 4, 1991 to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 21, 1990.

This action was taken in recognition of the Company's continuing growth and with the expectation of increasing the outstanding float and broadening the stockholder base.

After the stock split, the quarterly dividend rate on the Company's common stock will be 2 cents ($0.02) per share, which represents a 20 percent increase in the dividend rate.

Merry-Go-Round Enterprises Inc., is a leading retail specialty apparel chain selling contemporary fashions for young men and women in over 670 retail

stores in 38 states.

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DALLAS (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Cybertek Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:CKCP) Monday announced the signing of a major license and services agreement with Golden Rule Insurance Co. of Indianapolis.

Founded in 1942, Golden Rule has emerged as a major provider of accident and health insurance with approximately $400 million of annual premium income. Although Golden Rule has focused its activities predominantly in the accident and health field, a considerable amount of ordinary life and individual annuity business is also conducted by the company.

The total value of the agreement is expected to be approximately $1 million.

Under the terms of the agreement, Cybertek will provide its CK4/VS licensed software and Strategic Business Support (SBS) Services to Golden Rule and its subsidiary companies. A subsequent agreement is pending that will provide additional consulting and programming assistance from Cybertek in the transition of the company's data from CYPROS AP to CK4/VS.

Golden Rule ultimately plans to convert all of its individual life and health policies to the CK4/VS system.

Now in its 21st year, Cybertek has long been considered a pioneer in the development of real-time computer systems and software programs designed to increase user productivity for insurance customers.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Networking vendor Ungermann-Bass Monday introduced NetDirector, a multitasking PC-based system for the physical management of local and wide area networks.

The network management solution includes a standard Structured Query Language (SQL) database, enabling users to incorporate off-the-shelf software into the

network management platform. Many Ungermann-Bass customers are already upgrading to NetDirector, including Harris Methodist Health Services, Fort Worth, Texas, and the University of Kentucky.

According to Roger Bertman, vice president of marketing for Ungermann-Bass, NetDirector, which will be offered in a series of roll outs over the next year is more than a family of management products, it is a strategic network management platform.

NetDirector implements a client/server architecture through LAN Manager's Named Pipes facility. This enables several administrators to simultaneously access management applications over the network. Customers Migrate to New Platform

The NetDirector platform has gained across-the-board support from Ungermann-Bass customers, who are tailoring the platform to meet their needs. Beta customers have been using the initial phases of the product for several months to consolidate management functions.

The university network supports more than 3,900 devices and over 20 LANs with 40 Ungermann-Bass Access/One smart hubs. Prior to NetDirector, the school's information systems team was using different management screens for each network channel.

Joe Zarrehparvar, network engineering manager for Harris Methodist Health Services echoed Friskney's comments.

Harris also needed to centralize the management of its multisite, 2,000-node network. According to Zarrehparvar, with NetDirector, they have been able to consolidate management functions from five PCs down to one; but having a single management console was just one of the advantages to this OS/2-based platform.

Zarrehparvar added that with the menu-driven graphical user interface and on-line help, training and development time has been significantly reduced.

Harris Methodist Health Services uses the network management software to monitor all network nodes including PCs, token ring and Ethernet devices, T-1 and protocol independent bridges across six sites and 25 Access/One smart hub enclosures, through a single NetDirector server. Topological Map

Founded in 1979, Ungermann-Bass pioneered enterprise networking -- the sharing of data resources among dissimilar computer systems throughout a business organization. Ungermann-Bass is a leading international designer and supplier of networking hardware and software data communications systems.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF. (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - National Semiconductor Corp. Monday announced that sales for the second quarter of fiscal 1990, ended November 25, were $427.4 million, compared to $416.8 million in the comparable quarter a year ago.

The company reported net earnings of $3.5 million, or 1 cent per share, compared to net earnings of $2.4 million, or $0.00 per share, in the second quarter of fiscal 1990. Results for the quarter include a $2.4 million credit reflecting the reversal of certain restructuring charges connected with the closure of the company's Danbury, Conn., plant.

For the first half of fiscal 1991, the company reported sales of $870.1 million, with a net loss of $162.0 million, or $1.62 per share. Sales in the first half of fiscal 1990 were $814.4 million, with a net loss of $19.5 million, or 26 cents per share.

During the quarter, the company announced that it had signed a letter of intent for the sale of its Puyallup, Wash., facility to Matsushita Electronics Corp. The company expects to close the transaction in the first quarter of calendar 1991.

Charles E. Sporck, National Semiconductor president and chief executive officer, said: ''The company met the financial milestones which we set for the quarter. The significant improvement in operating performance in this quarter, compared to the first quarter of this fiscal year, reflects the benefits resulting from the restructuring activity which the company undertook this past August.

''We continue to reduce fixed costs in order to further improve the company's financial performance.

''Additionally, the company further strengthened its balance sheet, reducing debt by $18 million, while maintaining its cash position. At the same time, the company reduced inventory by $20 million, compared to the first quarter, in response to current business conditions.

National Semiconductor Corp. designs, manufactures and markets high-performance semiconductor products. Headquartered in Santa Clara, the company is a global leader in mixed analog-and-digital technologies.

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POMPANO BEACH, FLA. (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Atlantic Magnetics Inc. here announces a new solder station for dip-tinning copper wires in electrical and electronic manufacturing facilities.

''Our revolutionary new Roto-Dross wire tinning station offers more throughput and safety features than any other such product on the market,'' notes AMI President Edward Cammarata.

''Its automatic surface-skimming feature eliminates needless operator motion and increases throughput by 20 percent or more,'' he said. ''It consumes just 250 Watts, instead of 800. Energy savings, productivity gains and operator safety combine to make the unit quickly return its cost to the user.''

New Roto-Dross Dip Tinning Station reduces burn hazards. There is no need for operators to manually skim the solder pot's molten surface with a spatula. The unit incorporates a safety tray that catches hot dross (slag) to prevent it from spilling in the operator's lap. A wide foundation prevents the unit from tipping over.

''A large air space beneath the unit reduces localized heating, warping, discoloration and fire potential.''

In any dip-tinning station, dross always accumulates on the surface of the molten solder and has to be removed every 15 to 30 seconds. Otherwise, tinned wires pick up the dross and degrade quality by producing contaminated solder joints. Roto-Dross improves quality by sweeping the surface clean four times a minute.

Roto-Dross features three-digit thumb-wheels to set temperature, computer control to hold plus or minus 5 deg F, and an LED display for solder temperature. A 50 CFM fan with charcoal air filter keeps fumes to an absolute minimum, and a wooden hand rest that reduces operator fatigue and increases efficiency.

Roto-Dross Dip Tinning Station is priced at $1295 each. Delivery is quoted at stock to four weeks ARO.

Atlantic Mangetics Inc. is a manufacturer of wire-wound coils and related production equipment and test instruments.

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DAYTON, OH (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - NCR Corp. has been awarded a contract by BellSouth to provide systems for the BellSouth Computing Architecture (BSCA), to achieve the company's strategy for open systems throughout BellSouth's distributed computing environment.

The initial project, the Regional Negotiations System (RNS), will include the installation of over 13,000 workstations and servers, X-terminals, multiuser systems peripherals and networking products from various vendors.

NCR will provide BellSouth with its scalable System 3000 series 3400, NCR model 3445 uniprocessors, NCR model 3450 multiprocessors and its TowerView workstations for possible use for RNS and/or other BSCA projects. The products in the scalable Systemp 3000 3/4 offer object code compatibility throughout the product line.

RNS will increase the productivity of BellSouth's customer service representatives by consolidating access to multiple mainframe-based systems into a UNIX-based client/server environment. An easy-to-use graphical user interface will increase productivity and reduce customer service training time.

Client/server technology will make access to a custKmer's total history with BellSouth -- bill payments, address and other data -- quick and comprehensive.

BellSouth is a worldwide telecommunications holding company composed of two operating telephone comanies, Southern Bell and South Central Bell, which serve 70 percent of the population in nine southeastern states; BellSouth Services, which performs staff and planning functions for the two operating companies; and BellSouth Enterprises, which manages the corporation's non-regulated activities throughout the United States and internationally.

Service and maintenance support for NCR products is provided by 5,000 customer service professionals at 400 locations in the United States.

NCR Corp., based in Dayton, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information processing systems for worldwide markets.

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MILPITAS, CA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Octel Communications Corp. (NASDAQ:OCTL) announced Monday that Kaiser Permanente, Southern California Region, has signed a one-year $2 million agreement to purchase Octel voice processing systems to link the staff of 17 Southern California region medical centers, administrative and medical offices in a voice mail network.

Management at Kaiser Permanente said it expects the network to help provide improved patient service and to increase productivity and enhance communications between doctors and other staff at the 17 medical facilities.

Todd said Kaiser Permanente selected Octel because of its user-friendly features, superior networking capabilities, multiple PBX integrations and high product reliability.

In addition to the voice mail network, Octel Aspen systems will allow staff of Kaiser Permanente in Southern California to benefit from a full range of voice processing applications -- telephone answering, automated attendant, call routing menus, voice bulletin boards and voice-prompted forms applications.

Octel Communications Corp. designs, manufactures and markets a full line of high-performance voice processing systems. Octel's Aspen product line is sold in the United States, Canada and overseas to small businesses and large multisite corporations.

The Sierra multiple-application voice processing platform is a very large capacity system designed to meet the special needs of telephone companies and other voice information service providers. Octel was founded in 1982 and has headquarters in Milpitas.

Kaiser Permanente, the nation's largest pre-paid, group practice health maintenance organization, provides comprehensive medical and hospital services to more than 6.4 million members in 12 regions nationwide and more than 2.2 million members in Southern California.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Pacific Corporation (NYSE: SPC) is taking action to strengthen its profitable core businesses by disbanding its Merchant Bank; building its reserves for credit losses; and establishing other reserves which will result in reducing its net income for the full year 1990 to the range of $160 million to $200 million.

The actions are expected to produce a fourth quarter loss in the range of $320 million to $360 million.

With regard to dividend policy, management anticipates that it will recommend to the board of directors at its regular meeting in January 1991, that the quarterly dividend be maintained at its current level of $.63 per share, given SPC's historically strong core earnings sources, and its outlook for future profitability.

After these actions, at December 31, 1990, the corporation's Tier 1 capital ratio is expected to be approximately 4.1 percent of risk-adjusted assets, which exceeds the year-end 1992 minimum regulatory capital guidelines.

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PHOENIX (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - New Mexico and Arizona Land Co. (AMEX:NZ) Monday announced that its board of directors has authorized management to purchase up to 100,000 shares of NZ Stock during the next seven months.

Richard Leonard, chairman and chief executive officer, noted that, with the current price of the stock below book value, the board of directors believes that purchase of NZ stock is a good investment.

The action came last Friday, Dec. 7, 1990, during the board's regularly scheduled quarterly meeting.

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AUSTIN, TEXAS (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - HealthVest (ASE:HVT) Monday announced that its lenders have provided the necessary consents contemplated by the interim restructuring agreement signed last week between HealthVest and its principal operator, Healthcare International Inc. (ASE:HII).

HealthVest's lenders have also agreed to extend the expiration date of their Standstill Agreement with the Trust until June 30, 1991, subject to further extension to Sept. 30, 1991, if certain
minimum payments are made by HealthVest to the lender groups.

The extended standstill is subject to early termination, however, if a definitive merger agreement between HealthVest and Healthcare is not executed by Feb. 28, 1991. The previous Standstill Agreement with the lenders was to expire on Dec. 14, 1990.

As previously reported, HealthVest and Healthcare have agreed to a non-binding term sheet that outlines the framework of a proposed merger between the two companies.

HealthVest is a self-administered Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) that invests in income-producing health care-related properties including psychiatric, general health and rehabilitation hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, retirement centers, medical office buildings, medically oriented fitness centers, and facilities offering other related health care products and services.

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CLINTON, NJ (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Generadores de Vapor Foster Wheeler, S.A., a Madrid-based subsidiary of Foster Wheeler Corp., will be part of a three-company consortium to build a 700 megawatt power plant in Mexico.

The installation is valued at more that $500 million.

The facility, known as the Carbon II Power Plant, to be built for Mexico's Commission Federal de Electricidad, will be located near Piedras Negras in Coahuila State. Generadores de Vapor Foster Wheeler's responsibility under the consortium agreement is for the design, manufacture and construction of two 350-megawatt steam generators and auxiliary equipment valued at more than $160 million.

Other members of the consortium, supplying other plant components, are Bufete Industriale, S.A. (Mexico) and Mecanica de la Pena, S.A. (Spain). Engineering work for the installation will begin immediately. The plant is scheduled for completion in 1994.

Foster Wheeler Corp. is a worldwide organization offering a broad range of design, engineering, construction, manufacturing, management, real estate development and environmental services. The corporation's headquarters are at

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Immunetech Pharmaceuticals has completed the transfer of its research and development laboratories to Japan's Tanabe Seiyaku Company Ltd., according to Cam L. Garner, Immunetech president and chief executive officer.

He said Immunetech also has completed its acquisition of Thera Tec, a Tampa (Fla.)-based manufacturer of nebulization systems marketed by Dura Pharmaceuticals, Immunetech's wholly owned subsidiary.

Garner said the two deals will aontin%e Immunet's planned change from a research company to an operating pharmaceutical business.

Tanabe, which became a major equity investor in Immunetech in 1988, will operate the research laboratory under the name Tanabe Research Laboratories USA Inc. Garner said Immunetech retains North American co-marketing rights for allergy/asthma products that are a result of compounds synthesized by this new group during the next three years.

Tanabe will employ Immunetech's 18 researchers and will assume Immunetech's lease of the Sorrento Valley facility, Garner said. Immunetech will relocate, along with the Dura group that is currently located in Ramona, to new space in the Sorrento Valley area.

Shuichiro Izutsu, deputy general director of Tanabe's Overseas Affiliate Support division, said his company's new subsidiary will focus its study in the area of immunology and allergy.

''We will continue in those areas where Immunetech has established excellent research results,'' he said.

Garner said Immunetech retains all rights to Pentyde, a novel anti-allergy peptide developed by the company. New drug applications for Pentyde Nasal Spray, Pentyde Injectable and Pentyde Ophthalmic are awaiting approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Garner said the current Clinical and Regulatory Group will remain with Immunetech and not be transferred to Tanabe.

Thera Tec, founded in 1986, was originally 50 percent owned by Dura. Garner said he expects to move Thera Tec to San Diego sometime next year.

Dura, which Immunetech acquired in late 1989, markets a combination of pharmaceutical products and medical devices for the treatment of allergies, asthma and respiratory disorders in the United States and Canada, as well as U.S. military bases around the world.

Within the past year, the Dura national sales force has more than doubled. Garner said he expects to double that again in 1991 as Dura is evaluating the in-licensing of several new products.

Immunetech Pharmaceuticals is a leading marketer of allergy/asthma compounds and devices to allergists throughout North America.

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MARLBORO, MA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Stratus Computer Inc. (NYSE:SRA) Monday announced that Seven-Eleven Japan Co. Ltd. of Tokyo, the largest convenience store chain and food retailer in Japan, has chosen Stratus XA2000 Continuous Processing Systems to run its new store inventory management and merchandising system.

Initially, Seven-Eleven Japan has ordered nine Stratus systems -- representing $3.9 million in revenues for Stratus -- with plans to order an additional three Stratus systems in 1991.

Seven-Eleven Japan will use the fault-tolerant Stratus systems to collect sales transactions from its 4,200 stores throughout Japan. The Stratus systems also will supply the store managers with pricing changes, videotex-quality color images of promotional products, and continuously updated sales histories.

In addition, the Stratus systems are networked to more than 300 Seven-Eleven Japan vendors to allow store managers to place orders for replacement merchandise. Approximately 2,000 stores will be linked to the Stratus systems by March 1991, with the remaining stores to be online by June 1991.

The retailer will connect the Stratus systems to its thousands of stores using the world's largest Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN). Seven-Eleven Japan breaks new ground with its aggressive implementation of ISDN, which is gaining initial acceptance as a lower-cost, higher-capacity alternative to other networks.

This new system also leads the trend toward quick response merchandising by giving store managers more control and better sales information on which to base their buying decisions. Seven-Eleven Japan estimates its total

investment in new systems, software, networking equipment, and terminals at 23 billion yen, or U.S. $17 million.

The Stratus systems for Seven-Eleven Japan were sold through Tokyo-based C. Itoh Techno-Science Co., Stratus' distributor in Japan.

The systems were purchased by Nomura Research Institute of Tokyo, who is the prime contractor, systems integrator, and application developer for Seven-Eleven Japan. From its computer centers, NRI will operate the Stratus-based system exclusively for Seven-Eleven Japan.

Stratus Computer Inc. is a leading supplier of fault-tolerant systems for critical online applications. One of the fastest-growing companies in the industry, Stratus reported revenues of $341.3 million for fiscal year 1989, up 29 percent from $265.3 million in 1988.

The company, whose headquarters are in Marlboro, markets Stratus systems worldwide through direct sales and reseller channels. Stratus Computer's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange and the Boston Stock Exchange.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Capital Realty Trust IV Co. (ASE:SCZD) announced Monday that it will omit payment of a dividend for the fourth quarter of 1990.

The company believes that, notwithstanding the trust's positive cash from operations of $1,987,837 for the first nine months of 1990, this decision is a prudent response to the anticipated loss of two major tenants in 1991, the loss of rental revenues and turnover costs therefrom, and to uncertainties surrounding the country's current economic climate and real estate markets.

The dividend action was taken pending complete consideration and possible adoption of revisions to the trust's dividend policy, to enhance the trust's ability to meet its anticipated liquidity requirements, and to enhance the trust's cash reserves.

If the revised policy is implemented in the first quarter of 1991 as anticipated, it is likely that cash dividends will not be resumed for at least the next few quarters.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Enzo Biochem Inc. (AMEX:ENZ) announced Monday that it is moving for partial summary judgement in its federal court litigation against Johnson & Johnson (J&J) and two J&J subsidiaries, Ortho Diagnostic Systems Inc. (Ortho) and J&J Development Corp.

Enzo asserts that the contract language in Enzo's 1982 joint venture agreement with Ortho is unambiguous in important respects relating to Enzo's entitlement to royalties and certain manufacturing rights in connection with products resulting from projects in analysis of genetic material and nucleic acids for human diagnostics.

Enzo's position on its motion is that a diagnostic product for non-A, non-B Hepatitis (Hepatitis C) developed by Ortho and Chiron Corp. comes within the contractual language of the 1982 joint venture agreement. The Hepatitis C product is currently being sold by Ortho and also by Abbott Laboratories under a licensing agreement with Ortho.

The 1982 agreement between Enzo and Ortho provided for cooperation between the two companies in researching, developing, manufacturing and marketing certain health care products.

Enzo has charged in its lawsuit that Ortho has breached the 1982 agreement and that the defendants defrauded Enzo and violated the Racketeer Influenced Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO). Briefs on Enzo's motion for partial summary judgement are to be filed with the Court by the litigants in early 1991.

Enzo Biochem Inc. is an established New York City-based biotechnology company engaged both in the research, development and manufacture of innovative health care products based on molecular biology and genetic engineering techniques and in the provision of diagnostic services to the medical community.

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Dr. Carol Dempster, 212/337-3355
by
H.L. Lanzet Inc., New York
Herb Lanzet, 212/230-2520

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PORTLAND, OR (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The Waggener Group Monday announced its new name, Waggener Edstrom, recognizing the client service contributions of Senior Vice President Pam Edstrom.

The agency, which serves technology and science-based clients, has annual revenues of more than $5 million. Melissa Waggener, company founder, will remain president and chief executive officer.

''We are expanding the company's focus of providing the highest quality public relations counsel to our clients,'' Waggener said. ''Edstrom has set high standards in account service excellence for the last seven years. The new name reflects our mission to extend our superior account service into the next decade.''

Edstrom is the agency partner responsible for managing an account group that includes Dell Computer, Microsoft Corp. and Saros Corp. As senior vice president for the agency, Edstrom will continue to manage account teams.

Agency Partners Announce Worldwide Intent

Waggener and Edstrom, with their two partners Jody Peake, vice president, and Jim Buchanan, chief operating officer, also announced today the formation of a new organization, Waggener Worldwide. The mission of the new entity is to establish a framework for future growth while allowing Waggener Edstrom to focus on technology and science-based account service.

Waggener Edstrom, formerly The Waggener Group, was founded in November 1983. The firm provides public relations counsel and services to a variety of technology and science-based clients including Dell Computer Corp., Microsoft Corp., Sequent Computer Systems Inc., Central Point Software, Logic Automation Inc., CH2M HILL and Calera Recognition Systems.

CONTACT: Waggener Edstrom, Portland
Jody Peake, 503/245-0905

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MENLO PARK, CALIF. (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Informix Software Inc. (NASDAQ:IFMX) Monday announced that it has entered into a one-year, $20 million revolving credit agreement with Bank of America N.T. & S.A. and Boatmen's First National Bank of Kansas City.

Bank of America is acting as agent under the agreement.

The funds available through the agreement may be used for general corporate purposes. Informix has no plans at present to make any drawings under the credit agreement.

Informix Software Inc. is a leading supplier of information management software providing solutions from the database through the desktop.

Informix products include powerful distributed database management systems, robust application development tools, and graphical- and character-based productivity software for delivering information to every significant desktop platform.

Headquartered in Menlo Park, Informix has a European headquarters in London and an Asian/Pacific headquarters in Singapore.

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NOTRE DAME, IND. (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - American Biogenetic Sciences, Inc. (''ABS'') (NASDAQ:MABXA (common), MABXU (units), MABXW (warrants)3/8 Monday announced that Robert J. Hennessey, former Corporate Vice President of Sterling Drug, has been retained by the Company to represent and assist in its strategic development and corporate partnering activities.

During his ten years at Sterling Drug, Mr. Hennessey spearheaded the aggressive global acquisition program that brought under Sterling's ownership Maggioni (Italy), Schwartzhaupt (Germany), Furt (France), Valda (France-Italy) Isoflex (U.K.), and five U.S. medical and consumer companies.

Mr. Hennessey was also responsible for negotiating key licensing agreements as well as identifying and divesting underperforming operations and those not in keeping with Sterling's long term objectives. In 1988, Mr. Hennessey was a key member of the team that negotiated Sterling's merger into Kodak.

Prior to joining Sterling, Mr. Hennessey had been Director of International Strategic Planning and Business Development for Abbott Laboratories. Before that, he was Director of the SmithKline Biologicals unit of SmithKline & French, Rixensart, Belgium. He began his career in the pharmaceutical industry with Merck Sharp & Dohme International, and had worked previously at the Office of the U.S. Secretary of Commerce.

Mr. Hennessey received his undergraduate and masters degrees from the University of Connecticut and later did post-graduate work in finance, mergers acquisitions and negotiations at both New York University and Harvard University. Alfred J. Roach, Chairman of ABS, stated, ''Mr. Hennessey's extensive experience and high level contacts in the industry will be most useful in helping us commercialize diagnostics and therapeutics for cardiovascular disease as well as vaccines for infectious diseases.''

CONTACT: American Biogenetic Sciences Inc., Notre Dame

Henry L. Nordhoff, 203/762-2074
by
The Equity Group Inc., New York
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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Security Pacific Corp. announced Monday that it intends to redeem all of its $75 million Series H auction rate preferred stock.

Security Pacific Corp. is the fifth largest bank holding company in the United States.

CONTACT: Security Pacific Corp., Los Angeles
David Garcia, 213/345-5030

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ASHEVILLE, NC (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Ingles Markets Inc. (NASDAQ:IMKTA) Monday announced that its board of directors has declared a cash dividend of 5-1/2 cents per share on all its Class A common stock and 5 cents per share on all its Class B common stock.

Dividends on both the Class A and Class B common stock are payable Dec. 31, 1990, to all shareholders of record on Dec. 21, 1990.

Ingles Markets Inc. is a leading supermarket chain with operations in five southeastern states. Headquartered in Asheville, the company operates 169 supermarkets. In conjunction with its supermarket operations, the company also operates 65 neighborhood shopping centers, each of which contains an Ingles supermarket.

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Robet P. Ingle, 704/669-2941

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NORTH STONINGTON, CONN. (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Analysis & Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: AATI), which specializes in professional and technical services for submarines an antisubmarine warfare (ASW) and in training programs for Fortune 500 clients, won over $12.1 million in contracts and subcontracts during November 1990, A.T. Mollegan Jr., president and CEO announced Monday.

The company's total contractual backlog stood at approximately $311 milion at the end of November, or slightly below a $322.0 million total on Nov. 30, 1989 which included an exceptional record $54 million in awards for that month.

A $7.6 million two-year sole-source contract was awarded by the Naval Sea Systems Command, Washington, D.C. A&T will provide technical, engineering, and program planning support for the Trident Ship Control System acquisition program and Surface Ship Control Systems.

A&T was notified of a contract award to Planning Systems Inc., on which A&T is a subcontractor. This contract, awarded by the Naval Supply Center in Charleston, S.C., is for technical support services for oceanographic and meteorological systems to the Naval Oceanographic Office. A&T estimates that this subcontract will have a value of approximately $1.9 million over a five-year duration.

A $1 million contract modification was awarded by the Naval Underwater Systems Center, New London, Conn., for A&T to provide engineering services life-cycle support for surface ship sonar software system engineering.

Also during November, A&T opened a new office. It is in Monterey, Calif., and will support the design and development of environmental prediction and analysis systems for the Naval Oceanographic and Atmospheric Research Laboratory and the Fleet Numerical Oceanography Center.

In addition, A&T received a variety of subcontracts, smaller awards, and add-ons during November. These total $1.6 million and extend for periods up to one year.

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Margaret Freitas, 203/599-3910, ext. 2201

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HOUSTON (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Northern Border Pipeline Co. (Northern Border) and Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America (Natural) announced Monday they have signed an agreement under which Northern Border will interconnect with Natural's recently completed Iowa Line.

As part of the agreement, Northern Border will acquire and operate the line, subject to approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Northern Border will reimburse Natural for costs related to construction of the pipeline.

The 150-mile, 30-inch diameter Iowa Line stretches from the current terminus of the Northern Border pipeline, at Ventura, Iowa, in Hancock County, to Natural's compressor Station 109 near Harper, Iowa, in Keokuk County.

Construction of the line began in June and was completed at the end of October.

The Northern Border system originates at the Canadian border near Monchy, Saskatchewan, where it joins a pipeline moving gas from the province of Alberta, Canada.

Northern Border and Natural will proceed immediately with the construction of the interconnection facilities at Ventura. That work is expected to be completed within a few weeks and gas transportation under authority of Section 311 of the Natural Gas Policy Act will start promptly upon completion of the of the facilities.

According to Northern Border management committee chairman Larry L. DeRoin, Northern Border will amend its current optional certificate application, now pending before the FERC, to extend its pipeline from Ventura to Tuscola, Ill., or refile to seek the necessary approvals to purchase the Iowa Line as part of that expansion/extension project.

Under the agreement, Northern Border will purchase the Iowa Line upon receipt of an acceptable FERC certificate for the project.

Initial capacity of the Iowa Line will be about 300 million cubic feet per day (MMcf/d); that will increase to 450 MMcf/d when a compressor facility at Harper is completed this summer.

The Northern Border Pipeline Co. is a general partnership which includes subsidiaries of four major energy companies: Enron Corp., Houston; TransCanada PipeLines, Calgary; Panhandle Eastern Corp., Houston; and The Williams Cos. Inc., Tulsa.

Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America is a unit of MidCon Corp., based in Lombard, Ill. MidCon is a subsidiary of Occidental Petroleum Corp., Los Angeles.

CONTACT: Enron Corp., Houston
Diane Bazelides, 713/853-6285 or
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NASHVILLE, TENN. (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Growth Development Corp. (NASDAQ:GDCX) announces that it has extended its common stock warrants through March 31, 1991.

In so doing, units of the company's convertible preferred stock coupled with the aforesaid warrants will continue to trade through March 31 as well.

For further information, please contact Ross Fuller, vice president, Growth Development Corp., 845 Bell Road, Antioch, Tenn. 37013, 615/731-1700

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Aura Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:AURA) and Ball Corp. (NYSE:BLL), ''using Aura's magnetic suspension technology, will build and introduce an Electromagentic Redraw Actuator (ERA) which should dramatically improve the performance of aluminum can body manufacturing machines, with the intention of ultimately using these units on Ball's more than 300 machines,'' it was jointly announced Monday by Harry Kurtzman, Aura President, and Edward C. Miller, Ball Corp.'s Manager of Research and Development.

''The first seven units will be installed and tested in the Ball production line in late 1991 and will be purchased by Ball at approximately $25,000 per actuator,'' the executives said.

Under the joint development agreement, Aura and Ball will equally share the development cost of the first unit. Said Kurtzman: ''The initial target market for these units is, of course, the more than 300 aluminum can body manufacturing machines that constitute the Ball equipment inventory, but the application clearly has ramifications for the entire can manufacturing industry which is estimated to be more than 2,500 machines.

''We believe this new unit will result in important savings for Ball, once tested and installed, and will provide a major market opportunity for Aura Systems.''

Aura Systems Inc. is a leader in magnetic technology, and Ball Corp. is a leading producer of aluminum cans.

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or
Ball Corp., Denver
Edward C. Miller, 303/460-5059

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas J. Findley Jr. has been promoted to treasurer of ASARCO Incorporated, Richard de J. Osborne, chairman of Asarco, announced Monday.

Osborne also announced that Kevin R. Morano has been promoted to general manager of the Ray/Hayden Copper Complex in Hayden, Arizona and Terry E. Erskine has been promoted to general manager of the combined Missouri lead operations.

Findley most recently director of management information services, will report to Francis R. McAllister, vice president, finance and administration. Morano, most recently treasurer, will report to Robert J. Kupsch, Asarco vice president, and will have responsibility for the Ray copper mine and Hayden smelter, both of which are located in close proximity in Hayden, Ariz.

Erskine, most recently manager of Asarco's Troy Unit in Montana will report to Robert M. Novotny, Asarco vice president, and will have responsibility for the Sweetwater and West Fork lead mines in Reynolds County, Mo., and the Glover smelter and refinery in Glover, Mo., facilities that are also in close proximity.

Findley, 42, joined Asarco in 1971 as an accountant at New York corporate headquarters and was named chief accountant at Asarco's Manchester Unit in Lakehurst, N.J. in 1973. He became accounting manager of the company's Midland Coal Company subsidiary in 1976. In 1982, he became accounting manager at the company's Eastern Mining Department headquarters in Knoxville, Tenn. He was appointed director of management information services in 1987.

A native of Alhambra, Calif., Findley received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Roanoke College in 1970. He is a member of the Society for Information Management, the National Association of Accountants and the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineers (AIME).

Findley is married to the former Janet E. Parks of Tucson, Ariz. They are the parents of two sons and reside in Belle Mead, N.J.

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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Gerard F. Corbett, 212/510-1810

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SECAUCUS, NJ (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE -Metromedia/ITT Long Distance announced the appointment of Howell Moore as Vice President of Agency Programs.

In this position he will be responsible for expansion of the company's third party and association programs.

Moore is originally from Atlanta where he worked for MCI International. He was placed in charge of the Pacific Region, in California, and later moved to the head of the International Voice Program based in Atlanta.

In his most recent position, he was the Vice-President of Sales for Telecom USA. He occupied several key positions within the organization, serving as Vice-President of the Marketing Department, and the Vice-President of Specialized Services. In the latter position he established the Operator Services Division and ran the Carrier Division which re-sells long distance service to other long distance carriers.

Metromedia/ITT Long Distance is the fourth largest long distance carrier in the United States, providing domestic and international telecommunications services to businesses, non-profit organizations and residential customers nationwide.

Metromedia is a registered trademark of Metromedia Company. ITT is the proprietary name and mark of ITT Corp. used by Metromedia under license.

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Scott Shepherd, 201/330-5209

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LAGRANGE, GA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - A fourth quarter cash dividend of 14 cents per share has been declared by the board of directors of First Federal Savings Bank of LaGrange (NASDAQ:FLAG), bank president John S. Holle announced Monday.

The dividend is payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 21, 1990.

First Federal reported earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30 of $491,758 or 61 cents per share. The bank currently has 805,000 shares outstanding.

CONTACT: First Federal Savings Bank of LaGrange, LaGrange
Ida H. Hughes, 404/845-5000

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WALTHAM, MA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Meditrust (NYSE:MT) announced Monday its third private placement of $100 million of unsecured senior notes.

The notes have a blended interest rate of 10.46 percent and consist of series

A senior notes due Dec. 1, 1995 and series B senior notes due Dec. 1, 2000 with an average life of eight years. The proceeds of the private placement were used to extinguish all of the company's existing short-term floating rate debt. The balance of the funds will be used to fund forward commitments and to finance additional health care facilities.

Jonathan S. Sherwin, president of Meditrust, stated that ''This transaction reflects continued confidence by the private placement community in the creditworthiness of Meditrust. With the completion of this financing, the company will continue to execute its strategy of matching fixed-rate long-term debt with its leases and mortgages.''

Meditrust, with headquarters in Waltham, Mass., is the nation's largest health care real estate investment trust, holding investments in 110 health care facilities with 18 different operators in 25 states totaling over $775 million of investments.

The company specializes in the sub-acute sector of the health care industry, including investments in rehabilitation hospitals, long-term care facilities, alcohol and substance abuse treatment centers, psychiatric hospitals and retirement living communities. A.M.A. Advisory Corp., a Delaware corporation, is engaged as the advisor to Meditrust.

CONTACT: Meditrust, Waltham
David F. Benson, 617/736-1500

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SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Creative Learning Products Inc. announced Monday that it has retained Rosenkrantz, Lyon & Ross as its investment banker.

Rosenkrantz, founded in 1947, is a member of the New York Stock Exchange and specializes in providing for the financing needs of emerging growth companies. The firm will provide corporate investment services and act as a market maker for CLP securities, which are traded on NASDAQ under the symbols, CLPI, CLPIU, and CLPIW, respectively.

Creative Learning Products, based in South Plainfield, manufactures and distributes educational products for children including workbooks, paper activity products, cards, stationery, and early learning videos.

The company enjoys national distribution throughout the mass, gift, stationery and children's market in addition to worldwide retail distribution throughout the military post exchange system.

Commenting on the announcement, Peter Jegou, chairman and CEO of CLP said,

''While Creative Learning is still in the process of growth, we believe that its position in the children's educational marketplace will increase substantially in the next few years. Creative's financial relationship with Rosenkrantz will afford the company the opportunity for new business acquisitions and licensing agreements.''

Creative Learning Products, co-founded in 1986 by Peter Jegou and Carol Kulina currently distributes over 100 individual products. James F. Lowe, vice president of Rosenkrantz, Lyon & Ross said, ''We believe that CLP's managerial expertise as well as the well defined and rapidly growing children's educational market will result in a very successful company and thus are very excited about this new corporate finance relationship.''

CONTACT: Creative Learning Products Inc., South Plainfield
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POCASSET, MA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Datamarine International Inc. (NASDAQ:DMAR), Monday reported sales of $3,171,590 for the fourth quarter of FY1990, which represented a 19% decrease compared to $3,923,200 in the fourth quarter of FY1989.

Net loss in the recent Quarter was ($241,717), equivalent to ($0.21) per share compared to a net loss of ($474,508), or ($0.43) per share, posted in the fourth quarter last year.

For Fiscal 1990, which ended September 29, sales were down 23% at $15,823,208, compared to $20,417,114 reported last year. Net loss for Fiscal l990 was ($374,529), or ($0.33) per share compared to net income of $311,959, or $0.28 per share, in Fiscal 1989.

Datamarine International Inc. is a technology-based U.S. manufacturer of marine electronics, industrial fluid instrumentation and land mobile radios.

DATAMARINE INTERNATIONAL, INC.
Consolidated Fourth Quarter Financial Data (Unaudited)
Fiscal 1990

	Three Months Ended		Fiscal Year Ended	
	Sept 29, 1990	Sept 30, 1989	Sept 29, 1990	Sept 30, 1989
STATEMENTS OF INCOME				
Net Sales	$3,171,590	$3,923,200	$15,823,208	$20,417,114
Cost of Products Sold	2,004,892	2,717,866	9,583,794	12,078,687
Gross Profit	1,166,698	1,205,334	6,239,414	8,338,427
Operating Expenses	1,511,727	1,995,915	6,884,124	7,725,780
Operating Income (Loss)	(345,029)	(790,581)	(644,710)	612,647

Other Income (Expense)	(25,688)	(57,427)	(255,509)	(192,688)
Income Before Taxes	(370,717)	(848,008)	(900,219)	419,959
Provision for Taxes	(129,000)	(373,500)	(282,000)	108,000
Net Income (Loss) Before Accounting Change	(241,717)	(474,508)	(618,219)	311,959
Accounting Change	-	-	243,690	-
Net Income (Loss)	$ (241,717)	$(474,508)	$ (374,529)	$ 311,959
Earnings Per Share: Before Accounting Change	($0.21)	($0.43)	($0.55)	$0.28
Accounting Change	-	-	0.22	-
Total	($0.21)	($0.43)	($0.33)	$0.28
Avg Shares Outstanding	1,133,791	1,112,541	1,129,573	1,107,937
SUMMARY BALANCE SHEETS				
Current Assets			$ 7,547,229	$ 9,174,310
Fixed Assets, Net			2,641,817	2,482,678
Other Assets			429,342	494,068
Total Assets			$10,618,388	$12,151,056
Current Liabilities			$ 2,994,359	$ 4,012,457
Other Liabilities			24,950	53,663
Long-term Debt			1,085,384	1,269,080
Stockholders' Equity			6,513,695	6,815,856
Total Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity			$10,618,388	$12,151,056
BALANCE SHEET INFORMATION				
Book Value Per Share			$5.74	$6.07
Current Ratio			2.52 to 1	2.29 to 1
Long Term Debt-to-Equity Percentage			17%	19%
Shares Outstanding			1,135,022	1,123,553
Working Capital			$ 4,552,870	$ 5,161,853
Retained Earnings			$ 4,443,197	$ 4,817,726

CONTACT: Datamarine International Inc., Pocasset
Geoffrey W. Kreiger, 508/563-7151

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PETERSBURG, VA (FEB. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - C.A. Blockers Inc. (the ''company'') announced that it has continued to experience losses from operations and negative cash flow.

In addition to the loss of $1,031,250 reported for the year ended June 30, 1988, and $3,001,292 for the year ended June 30, 1989, the company's unaudited financial statements indicate a loss of approximately $365,890 for the year ended 1990.

The company's liabilities, including accounts payable and secured obligations, many of which are past due and in default, aggregate in approximate amounts of

$670,000. The company has exhausted all identified sources of financing and on Dec. 7, 1990, the lease covering all the company's cigarette manufacturing equipment was terminated as a result of the company's inability to make required past due payments.

Accordingly the company has been forced to suspend all cigarette manufacturing activities. The company's only remaining business activity is the ownership of product and patent rights to N-Bloctin.

The company has not derived revenues from the marketing of products containing N-Bloctin since mid-1988, at least in part as a result of the Federal Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) notification that no further manufacturing or marketing of products containing N-Bloctin could take place within the United States without FDA compliance. Because of the company's difficult financial position, FDA compliance has not been pursued.

In addition the company's right to N-Bloctin are the subject of pending litigations and claims arising out of the company's inability to maintain required payments under the N-Bloctin licensing agreement.

The above described events have caused the company to become inactive, and unless the company can obtain additional financing, which, given the company's financial condition and prior financing efforts is unlikely, the company will remain inactive.

Paul H. Lamb III has resigned effective today as a director and officer of the company.

Any further inquiries concerning the company should be directed to C.A. Blockers Inc., c/o John J. Llewellyn, Attorney at Law, 545 Starks Building, Louisville, Ky.

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John J. Llewellyn, 502/585-5829.

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BOCA RATON, FLA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Financial Benefit Group Inc. (NASDAQ:FBGIA) announced Monday that its board of directors declared a 5 percent stock dividend -- its fifth consecutive annual stock dividend -- payable in the Class A Common Stock of the company.

Holders of the company's outstanding common stock will receive an additional share for each 20 shares of Class A or Class B Common Stock which they own on the record date. This stock dividend will be payable on Jan. 31, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 21, 1991.

After this dividend is paid, Financial Benefit Group Inc. will have approximately 4,828,000 shares of Class A Common Stock and 393,000 shares of Class B Common Stock outstanding.

Financial Benefit Group Inc.'s Class A Common Stock trades on the over the counter market under the NASDAQ symbol FBGIA.

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Reserve Energy & Capital Corp. (OTC) (formerly American British Enterprises Inc.) Monday announced that it had entered into merger agreements with Bruce and Bruce Inc., a holding company whose primary asset is Apollo National Life Insurance Co.; and with Bruce and Bruce Co. Consulting Actuaries.

The agreement calls for both companies to become wholly owned subsidiaries of Reserve Energy & Capital Corp. The merger is subject to certain conditions, including necessary geovernment approval.

CONTACT: Reserve Energy & Capital Corp., Little Rock Doug Wood, 501/834-3700 by Howard Bronson & Co. Inc., New York Howard C. Bronson, 212/867-6160

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OSHKOSH, WIS. (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The Oshkosh Truck Corp. (NASDAQ:OTRKB) board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of $.10875 per share for Class A common stock and $.125 per share for Class B common stock.

These dividends, unchanged from the previous rate, will be payable Feb. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Jan. 15, 1991.

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Charles J. Hulsebosch, 414/235-9150, Ext. 2332

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Orbit Instrument Corp. (NASDAQ:ORBT) Monday announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Canada Classique Inc., had acquired the operating assets, subject to certain liabilities, of Rice Sportswear Ltd., (''Rice''), a manufacturer of branded and private label men's and women's outerwear located in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

Rice had sales of approximately $US 25,000,000 for the 12 months ended June 30 1990. The purchase price for the assets consisted of (i) a cash payment of approximately $US 4,000,000 representing the estimated net book value of the acquired assets as at the closing date and subject to adjustment upon audit, plus (ii) a contingent payment of up to an additional $US 4,000,000 payable pursuant to the terms of a five-year ''earn out.''

Max Reissman, president of Orbit, stated that the current executive management will continue in the operation of the company and the acquisition should complement the operations of Orbit's other apparel subsidiary, USA Classic Inc., which manufactures and sells, men's women's and children's apparel, particularly active wear and outerwear, under various licensed trademarks pursuant to license agreements with the trademark owners.

Trademarks used by USA Classic include ''Everlast'', ''Nautica'', and ''B.U.M. Equipment.'' A subsidiary of USA Classic is a designer, importer and distributor of men's and boy's leather garments using the ''Philippe Monet'' trademark.

Orbit is a Long Island based manufacturer of customized electronic components and subsystems for military and non-military governmental applications. It's other subsidiary is Orbit Semiconductor Inc., which is a state of the art manufacturer of customized semiconductors servicing the high realibility and quick turn around markets.

CONTACT: Orbit Instrument Corp., Hauppauge
Mitchell Binder, 516/435-8300

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ST. LOUIS (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - St. Louis-based Bridge Information Systems Inc. Monday announced the awarding of a five-year, $15 million contract to provide the company's domestic and international data network.

Bridge is a major international provider of financial information to top institutional investors, brokerage firms, exchanges and corporations.

Bridge's new data network is custom-designed to enhance the company's ability to provide a wide array of financial information services involving stock market quotes, market analysis, corporate histories, management and operations hardware, and applications systems to more than 2,000 Bridge user sites throughout the United States and internationally.

One of the more unique aspects of the MCI-Bridge agreement involves the transfer of much of Bridge's existing data telecommunications equipment to MCI switching facilities -- an arrangement called co-location. The co-location of equipment at MCI facilities will result in (1) cost savings to Bridge, and (2)

a more secure and strictly-controlled environment in which to house the sensitive data equipment.

In addition, MCI will upgrade the existing Bridge network to accommodate ''digital'' data transmission. Digital communication is the transmission of conversations or data in an electronically-coded form. Information transmitted in digital form is less susceptible to interference and distortion and generally travels at higher speeds.

The upgrade will allow Bridge to increase the number and types of financial information services available to their clients.

''The rapid and accurate distribution of financial information is our lifeblood,'' said Bridge Chairman and President Charles Lebens. ''Choosing MCI to upgrade and enhance our data network not only enables us to provide more efficient and reliable service, it keeps us at the technological forefront of our industry.''

''Bridge Information Systems is one of the most highly-respected companies of its kind, and MCI is proud to have been entrusted with the critical responsibility of providing their long distance data communications,'' said Bert C. Roberts Jr., MCI president and chief operating officer.

''In addition, we feel the selection of MCI is especially noteworthy given the long and extremely thorough decision-making process employed by Bridge in choosing a long-distance company.''

MCI is the nation's second-largest long distance provider, employing advanced fiber optic, digital microwave, and satellite technologies. The company supplies a full range of worldwide voice, data and messaging services to businesses, residences and government agencies.

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PEABODY, MASS. (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Analogic Corp. (NASDAQ:ALOG), a leading manufacturer of high precision industrial and medical data conversion and signal processing instruments and equipment, announced Monday the results for the first fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Revenues for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $33,447,279 compared with the prior year's first quarter revenues of $35,037,757.

Net income for the first quarter was $2,733,869, or 20 cents per share,

compared with $3,171,562, or 21 cents per share, for the prior year's first quarter.

The slight decrease in both revenue and net income was principally due to a quarterly shortfall in sales in the Signal Processing Technology Products Group.

CONTACT: Analogic Crop., Peabody
  Peter S. Olson, 508/977-3000

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DALLAS (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Ito-Yokado Co. Ltd., Seven-Eleven Japan Co. Ltd. and The Southland Corp. announced that Southland will file a report Monday setting forth the names of certain individuals who will be proposed as members of Southland's post-confirmation board of directors.

The appointments of the proposed board members are subject to consummation of the three companies' Stock Purchase Agreement, which is contingent on confirmation of Southland's prepackaged reorganization plan by the United States Bankruptcy Court in Dallas.

The report will be filed in the bankruptcy court later Monday in preparation for the confirmation hearings on Southland's prepackaged reorganization plan, scheduled to begin Dec. 14. The United States Bankruptcy Code requires that Southland disclose, to the extent known, its anticipated post-confirmation board of directors and senior management.

Upon closing of the Stock Purchase Agreement, Southland's post-confirmation board will consist of (i) three individuals designated by the existing share-holders of Southland; (ii) 10 individuals selected by Ito-Yokado and Seven-Eleven Japan; (iii) two individuals designated by the Official Bondholders' Committee in the bankruptcy proceeding; and (iv) if needed to meet applicable stock exchange requirements, two independent directors.

Monday's filing names Masatoshi Ito, president of Ito-Yokado and chairman of Seven-Eleven Japan, as the proposed chairman of Southland's post-confirmation board.

Toshifumi Suzuki, executive vice president of Ito-Yokado and president of Seven-Eleven Japan, is proposed as vice chairman, with John P. Thompson and Jere W. Thompson, current board members of Southland, proposed as co-vice chairmen.

Others proposed for appointment to that board are Joe C. Thompson Jr., currently a Southland board member; Nobutake Sato, senior managing director of Ito-Yokado; Masaaki Kamata, senior managing director of Seven-Eleven Japan;

and Clark Matthews, Southland's chief financial officer.

In addition, the filing proposes that, following consummation of the Stock Purchase Agreement, Matthews will be named president and chief executive officer of Southland. According to the filing, the remaining directors have not been determined and will be named at a later date. The report contains no other proposed changes to Southland's senior management.

Southland filed a prepackaged reorganization plan under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division, on Oct. 24.

Under their Stock Purchase Agreement with Southland, Ito-Yokado and Seven-Eleven Japan, Southland's long-standing business partners, will purchase 70 percent of Southland's common stock for $430 million in cash. The purchase is contingent on consummation of Southland's prepackaged reorganization plan on or before March 15, 1991.

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or
Sawyer/Miller Group, New York
Lynn Guggenheimer, 212/303-2520

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TIMONIUM, MD. (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Kirschner Medical Corp. (NASDAQ:KMDC) has announced the completion of the sale of its Chick Medical Products Division in Greenwood, S.C., which had previously been recorded as a discontinued operation, to CSS Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Midmark Corp. of Versailles, Ohio.

The sales price to CSS Inc. for Kirschner's surgical table and operating room light business was approximately $9 million subject to certain post closing adjustments and payment for certain product modifications. Kirschner said Midmark has also leased for one year the company's 80,000 square foot manufacturing facility in Greenwood with an option to purchase the land and building during the lease period for $2.2 million.

Bruce J. Hegstad, Kirschner's President and CEO, said approximately $6.2 million was paid in cash at closing, $2 million was deposited in escrow from which the costs of certain product modifications will be deducted according to a mutually agreed upon formula, and certain Kirschner obligations were assumed by CSS. It is expected an additional sum will be paid in cash to Kirschner upon completion of post closing adjustments. Hegstad said the net proceeds from the sale will be used to reduce debt.

The amount of any gain or loss cannot be determined at this time because of postclosing adjustments and product modifications which must be completed before a final accounting is available. Although the company's continuing operations will assume certain interest expenses previously charged to discontinued operations, this transaction is expected to have a positive impact on the cash flow of the company including interest savings through the reduction of debt.

Kirschner develops, manufactures and markets orthopedic instruments and implants including reconstructive surgery and trauma devices, orthopedic support products and medical endoscopic systems.

The company operates facilities in Timonium; Fair Lawn, N.J.; Delray Beach., Fla.; Marlow, Okla; Hopkinton, Mass.; and Valencia, Spain.

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John E. Barham, 301/560-3333

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LOUISVILLE, KY (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The Cumberland Federal Bancorporation Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CMBK) announced Monday that its board of directors has approved an offer to purchase up to 1 million shares of The Cumberland's outstanding common stock, or approximately 40 percent of the shares outstanding, in exchange for newly issued 12 percent Subordinated Debentures Due 1999 (the ''Exchange Offer'').

The Exchange Offer will commence in the near future upon completion of regulatory review.

''We regard the repurchase of our shares in the exchange as an attractive investment,'' H. David Hale, chairman, president and chief executive officer, said. ''We believe that The Cumberland has a solid future and that its stock is undervalued relative to its long-term prospects.''

Under the Exchange Offer, The Cumberland's stockholders will be invited to tender up to 1 million shares of common stock in exchange for $10.25 principal amount of Debentures per share.

The Exchange Offer will not be conditioned on any minimum number of shares being tendered, but will be subject to a number of other conditions. On Dec. 7, 1990, the closing sale price of a share of The Cumberland's common stock was $8.25.

Neither The Cumberland nor its board of directors makes any recommendation to any stockholder as to whether to tender or refrain from tendering any or all of such stockholder's shares in the Exchange Offer and has not authorized any

person to make any such recommendation.

Details of the Exchange Offer will be mailed to all of The Cumberland's stockholders.

The Cumberland Federal Savings Bank is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Cumberland Federal Bancorporation Inc., whose common stock trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CMBK.

Founded in 1886, The Cumberland has assets of $1.4 billion, and is the largest federal savings bank and the third largest financial institution headquartered in Kentucky. Corporate offices are located in Louisville with 41 offices located in 11 cities throughout the state. The Cumberland offers a full line of banking services with special emphasis on real estate and consumer lending.

CONTACT: The Cumberland Federal Bancorporation Inc., Louisville H. David Hale
502/562-5227

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KINGSTON, NY (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - National Micronetics Inc. (NASDAQ:NMIC) announced Monday that Newmax Co. Ltd., a Korean company, has agreed to purchase 10.5 million shares of common stock of National Micronetics Inc. for $4.2 million, subject to Korean government approval.

Newmax has also made a further bridge loan to NMI of $500,000.

NMI also announced that, with the approval of the Bankruptcy Court in Denver, it has settled for $50,000 a lawsuit initiated by MiniScribe Corp. against NMI to recover allegedly preferential payments of $2,813,000.

NMI is currently in discussions with its institutional lender, seeking a relaxation of certain covenants and an extension of the maturity date of certain short term loans.

National Micronetics Inc. is an independent magnetic recording head manufacturer for the disk drive industry.

CONTACT: National Micronetics Inc., Kingston
Robert C. Ristagno, 914/338-0333

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WILMINGTON, DE (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Himont's Advanced Materials Group Monday announced a North American price increase of 8 cents per pound for all grades of Himont's HiFax thermoplastic olefin (TPO) resins.

The increase is effective Jan. 15, 1991.

HiFax TPO resins are used primarily in automotive applications such as exterior body claddings and farings, grilles, fascias instrument panels and under-the-hood components.

Himont, a Montecatini company (Ferruzzi/Montedison Group), is the world's leading producer and marketer of polypropylene resins and a major producer of a broad range of specialty composites, alloys and advanced materials.

Himont is the leading licensor of technology related to the production of polypropylene and also develops and markets catalysts used in its manufacture.

The Ferruzzi Group is a leading international industrial system, which operates through Montedison in the chemical, pharmaceutical and energy sectors as well as in the agro-industrial sector, with an aggregate turnover of approximately $30 billion.

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302/996-6122

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BETHESDA, MD. (DEC.10) BUSINESS WIRE - Survival Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:SURV) announced Monday the appointment of Russell A. Gall to the newly created position of senior director, manufacturing, at its St. Louis facility.

Gall was formerly manager, Package Engineering & Contract Manufacturing at Syntex Laboratores Inc. and as such is very familiar with major aspects of the company's business. Survival Technology Inc. produces Syntex Laboratories drug Toradol IM (intramuscular) in their patented Cartrix syringe system.

Prior to joining Syntex, Gall held positions in engineering and sterile manufacturing management with Alcon Laboratories Inc., Kimberly-Clark Corp. and Bristol-Myers Squibb.

The addition of this new position will further strengthen the company's management structure during this time of dramatic business increase and better position the company for future growth.

Survival Technology Inc. provides medical devices, pharmaceutical delivery systems and cardiac monitoring services for use in a variety of medical indications.

CONTACT: Survival Technology Inc., Bethesda James H. Miller or Doris L. Geier, 301/656-5600

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MARIETTA, GA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Three Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Co. (NYSE:LK) employees, detained in Iraq since that country's invasion of Kuwait, arrived in the United States Monday.

William T. Deaton, 53, of Marietta, Robert S. Sherrill, 39, and Michael A. Villarreal, 28, of Meridian, Miss., arrived in Atlanta Monday.

The trio were on an aircraft that arrived in Frankfurt, Germany, from Baghdad on Sunday. They were met by a representative of Lockheed's international marketing organization upon arrival there.

Terry Powell, LASC vice president of human resources, and Jim Adams, field support division manager, flew to Frankfurt on Sunday to arrange accommodations and passage on the first available commercial flight to the United States.

The three men were working under contract for the Kuwait Air Force modifying L-100 Hercules aircraft when the invasion took place.

Deaton, a field service representative and team leader for the modification effort, has been employed by Lockheed since April of 1962.

Sherrill, an employee since November 1983, and Villarreal, an employee since May 1986, are production assemblers at LASC's subassembly plant in Meridian.

CONTACT: Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Co., Marietta
Dick Martin, 404/494-3211

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ORLANDO, FL (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Candle Corp. announced the latest release of OMEGAMON for CICS, Version 500 at its 6th annual CMG Users Conference.

This upgrade introduces a graphically oriented SAA/CUA (Common User Access) compliant interface for significantly enhanced ease-of-use.

The adoption of CUA interfaces and recent support for CICS/ESA illustrates Candle's commitment to back the latest IBM developments. Candle is supplying system management solutions to fit the recently announced IBM SystemView structure. OMEGAMON for CICS, Version 500 is one component that Candle provides in SystemView's performance management discipline. OMEGAMON for CICS Version 500 is also fully integrated with OMEGACENTER, Candle's

enterprise-wide system for service level management.

OMEGAMON for CICS, Version 500 raises the power of OMEGAMON performance monitoring to a new standard. With a fully SAA/CUA compliant interface, the industry standard to be adopted by vendors and users alike when developing software, this new release offers PC-like ease-of-use without sacrificing functionality. Users can easily navigate to any related data without the need for prior product knowledge.

The CUA interface features an action bar, pull-down menus and pop-up windows to give users the freedom to move around the product in a task-oriented fashion, rather than being restricted to hierarchical menu paths.

OMEGAMON for CICS, Version 500 extends the Status Monitor methodology by letting users quickly view the health of individual CICS regions using color indicators to reflect system conditions. It interfaces with the Status Monitor as well as Candle's recently announced OMEGAVIEW for an immediate, at-a-glance display of conditions in CICS as well as MVS, DB2, IMS, VTAM, VM an environmental systems.

In addition, it works with AF/OPERATOR for automated problem diagnosis and resolution and AF/REMOTE for automatic notification and remote access.

When a CICS problem is indicated on the Status Monitor, users can select the problem area and zoom into OMEGAMON for details. OMEGAMON's color indicators highlight response time and availability threats, excessive resource consumption and activity aberrations. Simple point-and-shoot navigation presents the user with detailed information and problem resolution.

Candle Corp. pioneered performance monitoring products with its introduction of OMEGAMON for MVS in 1977. In addition to its family of performance products, Candle offers automated operations, DB2 management and end-user application integration products, which are distributed on a worldwide basis and used by over 75 percent of the Fortune 500 companies.

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DALLAS (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Capstead Mortgage Corp. (NYSE:CMO) announced that it will pay quarterly dividends of 57 cents per common share and 40 cents per share on the $1.60 cumulative preferred stock, Series A on Dec. 28 to stockholders of record as of Dec. 20.

Stockholders are reminded of the company's newly-adopted Dividend Reinvestment Plan which is available to all stockholders. Please contact Ameritrust, as the

Plan Agent, at 800/527-7844 (outside Texas) or 800/492-9734 (in Texas) to determine how to participate, or contact your broker.

Capstead Mortgage Corp. invests in long-term, single-family residential mortgages for the purpose of offering investors the opportunity to participate in the income generated from the management of a portfolio of mortgage loans utilizing pooling and the issuance of collateralized mortgage obligations and other portfolio management strategies.

CONTACT: Capstead Mortgage, Dallas
Ronn Lytle, 214/746-8231 or Andy Jacobs, 214/746-8240

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PROVIDENCE, RI (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Old Stone Corp. Monday announced the reaching of an agreement in principle to sell the Walla Walla, Wash.-based mortgage servicing operation of Old Stone Mortgage Corp. to Meridian Mortgage Corp., a major mortgage banking company headquartered in Wayne, Pa., and a subsidiary of Reading, Pa.-based Meridian Bank.

Under the terms of the agreement, Meridian will purchase Old Stone Mortgage Corp.'s $2.5 billion residential mortgage servicing portfolio and the Walla Walla-based servicing operations for an undisclosed price.

The transaction is expected to take effect, after the necessary regulatory approvals, during the first quarter of 1991. The sale does not involve Old Stone Mortgage Corp.'s mortgage origination offices located in six western and midwestern states, which will continue in operation.

Old Stone Mortgage Corp. is a subsidiary of Old Stone Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, the principal subsidiary of Old Stone Corp., a $3.7 billion asset financial services company headquartered in Providence, R.I. The sale is part of a previously announced restructuring plan.

Since Old Stone announced its restructuring plan in September, 1989, the corporation has sold its California-based residential real estate construction lending unit, its tuition budgeting company, Academic Management Services Inc. and its Seattle-based retail branch network.

''Efficient mortgage servicing is a volume driven business and our strategic alternatives were to become more deeply involved or to exit the business. The sale is consistent with other measures we have taken to strengthen Old Stone Bank's capital ratios'' said Theodore W. Barnes, president and chief executive officer of Old Stone Corp.

CONTACT: Old Stone Mortgage Corp.
Winfield Major

Armand G. Bilotti, 206/644-5300
Old Stone Corp., Providence
Patricia Pyne, 401/278-2371.

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#90344b0807 12/10/1990 ~Business Wire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Brad Ragan Inc. (ASE: BRD) Monday announced that its board of directors, acting on the recommendation of a special committee of outside directors, accepted a previously announced proposal by the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. to acquire the approximately 25 percent of Brad Ragan's common stock that Goodyear does not already own for a price of $22 cash per share.

Interstate/Johnson Lane Corp. is acting as financial advisor to the special committee of outside directors. The acquisition will be accomplished pursuant to a plan of share exchange and must be approved by the vote of a majority of Brad Ragan's outstanding common stock.

Goodyear had indicated that it intends to vote the approximately 75 percent of Brad Ragan shares owned by it in favor of the transaction, thus assuring approval of the transaction by the stockholders of Brad Ragan. It is anticipated that the shareholders meeting will be held in early 1991, followed by consummation of the transaction.

Brad Ragan Inc. is the largest United States producer of retreaded tires for off-highway vehicles and distributes new and retreaded off-the-road and truck tires through a network of 50 commercial tire centers in 20 states. The company also operates a chain of 133 retail stores in the Southeast, featuring products and services for the auto and home.

CONTACT: Brad Ragan Inc., Charlotte D.J. Patrick, 704/521-2191

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NEW YORK (DEC.10) BUSINESS WIRE - The price at which Petroleum & Resources Corp. common stock will be issued in payment of the optional income dividend and capital gain distribution (the stockholders may elect to receive cash or stock), payable Dec. 27 is $25.00 per share.

The issue price is the mean between the high and low sales prices of the stock on the New York Stock Exchange on Dec. 10. This was less than the net asset value per share of $28.51.

CONTACT: Petroleum & Resources Corp., New York J.G. Whitney, 301/752-5900

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#90344b0814 12/10/1990 ~Business Wire
ATLANTA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Dun & Bradstreet Software (D&B Software) announced Monday a management structuring for the future that will allow it to better meet the objectives recently outlined in the company's investment strategy, which focuses on the development of products and services that will meet short- and long-term customer needs.

The new organization includes:

Henry (Hank) Holland has been appointed president and chief operating officer reporting to Chairman John Imlay. Most recently, Holland was executive vice president with responsibility for development and customer services. (See attacheed biography for additional information).

Michael Choukas joins D&B Software as executive vice president with responsibility for strategy and business development, reporting to Imlay. Choukas was formerly a vice president with Bain & Co., a Boston-based management consulting firm. In that role, he worked extensively with the Dun & Bradstreet Corp. and McCormack & Dodge (M&D) on a number of projects, including the acquisition of Management Science America Inc. (MSA) and the subsequent merger with M&D that led to the creation of D&B Software. (See attached biography for additional information).

John Landry joins the organization as executive vice president and chief technology officer with responsibilities for research and development, reporting to Holland. Most recently Landry was president for Agility Systems Inc. Previously, he served as executive vice president for M&D and Cullinet Software Inc.

In addition to the moves outlined above, William Evans, executive vice president and chief financial officer, continues to report to Imlay, adding the legal department, headed by Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary James Alberg, to his current responsibilities.

D&B Software, a division of the Dun & Bradstreet Corp., is the world's largest provider of financial, human resources, materials management, manufacturing and higher eductation software solutions, tools and services. The company serves more than 10,000 customers worldwide, including 75 percent of the Fortune 500.

CONTACT: Dun & Bradstreet Software, Framingham George Cohen, 508/370-5146 or Neal Linkon, 404/239-4458

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Standard & Poor's Corp. has announced that

Lone Star Industries will be deleted from the S&P 500 Index at the close of market trading Tuesday, Dec. 11.

Lone Star filed for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code Monday.

ALZA Corp., a pharmaceutical research company specializing in the controlled delivery of medication through transdermal patches will replace Lone Star in the Index.

CONTACT: Standard & Poor's Corp., New York
Elliot Shurgin, 212/208-8709
or
Christina Gombar, 212/208-8793.

-30- 763
#90344b0828 12/10/1990 ~Business Wire

BRAINTREE, MA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ:GROS) reported November 1990 sales of $59.7 million, essentially equal to sales for the corresponding period of 1989.

Grossman's a major retailer of lumber and building materials, operates 155 stores in nine Northeastern states and in California.

CONTACT: Grossman's Inc., Braintree
Sydney L. Katz, 617/848-0100, ext.2348.

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#90344b0832 12/10/1990 ~Business Wire

SYDNEY, Australia (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - The Westpac-Melbourne Institute Leading Index suggests that the earlier indications of Australian economic recovery by mid-1991 were misplaced.

The Index is now pointing to a deeper and more protracted recession for Australia than previously indicated, according to a report issued by Westpac Banking Corp. (NYSE:WBK).

Westpac economists now believe that sustained economic recovery by mid-1991 is looking increasingly unlikely and that recovery is likely to commence in the second half of 1991.

The Leading Index fell 1.6 points (or 1.3 percent) in October following a 1.0 point (or 0.8 percent) decline in the previous month.

Westpac's Chief Economist Bob Graham said, ''It was significant that there had also been a marked deterioration in the smoothed annual growth rate of the

Index in October. It fell by 7 percent, whereas for several months up until September, the downturn in the annual growth rate had appeared to be moderating.''

The Coincident Index declined a further 1.5 points (or 1.0 percent) in October reflecting the current weakness in economic activity.

The latest report on the international leading indexes produced by the Center for International Business Cycle Research at Columbia University in New York City indicates that the indexes are weak for nine of the 11 countries covered.

Graham said, ''World growth in 1991 could well be lower than 2 percent currently forecast by the OECD.''

Westpac Banking Corp. is an international financial services group headquartered in Australia, with operations extending offshore to 29 countries. In its home markets of Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and the South West Pacific, Westpac offers a full range of banking and financial services. Specialized services are provided through Westpac offices in Asia, Europe and the United States.

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Elaine Svensson, 212/551-2775
or
In Australia,
Bob Graham, 011-61-2-226-3441 B/Hrs.
011-61-2-44-7460 A/Hrs.
or
Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research
Dr. Ernst Boehm, 011-61-3-344-5315 B/Hrs.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 21, 1990, Pegasus Gold Corp.(TICKER: PGU) purchased 600,000 common shares of Artech Recovery Systems Inc.(TICKER: ARTK) for $200,000, or $0.3333 per share.

Artech additionally agreed to issue a warrant to Pegasus to purchase another 600,000 shares at $0.45 per share, exercisable any time prior to Nov. 21, 1993.

Pegasus' current holdings in Artech now have increased from 2.80 million shares (37.1%) to 3.40 million shares, or 41.7%. Artech also agreed to increase Pegasus' representation on its board of directors from two to three and expand its board from six to seven members.

Artech agreed to devote 50% of its research efforts, until May 31, 1991, towards investigating new methods to treat refractory gold ores, and to grant

to Pegasus a 50% interest in Artech's interest in any new refractory gold processing technology discovered, subject to certain conditions.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 4 1990, Todd Shipyards Corp.(TICKER: TOD) announced that the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey handling Todd's reorganization had approved the previously announced sale for $13.10 million of Todd's 40,000-ton lifting capacity drydock, known as the "Big T."

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30, 1990, Antennas America Inc. announced the company has extended the exercise expiration date of its Class A common stock purchase warrants until Dec. 31, 1990.

The company states there are currently 10.55 million Class A common stock purchase warrants outstanding.

These warrants cannot be used until the company's amendment to its registration statement concerning exercise of the warrants has become effective.

The company is in the business of designing and developing a variety of antennas and antenna systems.

Its executive address is 14045 West 66th Avenue, Arvada, CO 80004, and its telephone number is (303) 421-4063.

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#90344c0005 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 29, 1990, Management Technologies Inc.(TICKER: MTCI) announced that by resolution of its board of directors, Ian K. Leeper, an employee of the company, was granted the right to purchase 44,640 shares of common stock from the company's treasury shares at $0.375 per share, or for the sum of $L9,000 or $16,740.

These shares are restricted and do not have a right of registration.

Leeper exercised his right to purchase the shares and as a result, the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of the company increased from 10.15 million to 10.20 million.

-30- 817
#90344c0006 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 17, 1989, Golden State Capital Corp. dismissed its accountant, Deloitte Haskins & Sells.

On that date, the company appointed Shelton, Smith & Townsend as its new independent accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 627
#90344c0007 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30, 1990, United Banks of Colorado Inc.'s (TICKER: UBKS) total nonperforming assets, $144.9 million at June 30, 1990, increased to $156.4 million at Sept. 30, 1990, and are expected to increase further through the balance of the year the bank stated.

Additionally, United reports the Securities and Exchange Commission's Division of Enforcement has informed United that it is conducting an informal inquiry concerning a portion of United's previously announced second quarter special provision for loan losses attributable to certain specified loans.

United reports the Division stated its interest in the matter should not be construed as an indication that any violations of federal securities laws have occurred.

-30- 973
#90344c0008 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30, 1990, Denpac Corp.(TICKER: DNPC) reports it was served with a complaint in an action titled A. Milton Bell V. Denpac Corp., filed in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Bergen County.

Denpac reports Bell is seeking recovery of a total of approximately $358,677 in principal and interest on a promissory note.

The company also states that prior to the lawsuit, it had been attempting to negotiate with Bell the terms of the promissory note.

-30- 668
#90344c0010 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 16, 1990, LBI Acquisition Inc. was merged with and into Lowcountry Bancshares Inc. of South Carolina. Lowcountry subsequently became a wholly-owned subsidiary of L.S.B. Bancshares Inc. of South Carolina.

Pursuant to the merger, each share of Lowcountry common stock has been converted into 3.08 shares of L.S.B. common stock, $2.50 par value.

It is anticipated that 297,506 shares of L.S.B. common stock will be issued pursuant to the merger.

Additionally, on Nov. 16, 1990, L.S.B. reports it borrowed $2.0 million on a subordinated and unsecured basis from The South Carolina National Bank in Columbia.

-30- 865
#90344c0011 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 6:

Everest Medical Corp. (EVMD)

-30- 250
#90344c0012 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 7:

Balchem Corp. (BLCCV); Insufficient number of regular market makers - security never quoted (stk div)

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 6:

Varity Corp. - Wts. '91 (VATWF); Insufficient number of active market makers

-30- 483
#90344c0013 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following issues will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 10:

American Toxxic Control Inc. (ATCX) to United States Filter Corp. (USFF)
NBS National Benefit Services Inc. (NBSN) to Avesis Inc. (AVSS), Cl. A
Pfd Series 2 (NBSNP) to Cl. A Pfd Series 2 (AVSSP)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 7:

Digital Transmission Inc. (DTINA) to (DTIAE)
George Washington Corp. (GWSH) to (GWSHE)

-30- 602
#90344c0014 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in National Media Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol NM. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

-30- 351
#90344c0015 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:25 that trade in The Boston Five Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: BFCS) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 2 5/8. The company is located in Boston, Massachusetts.

-30- 394
#90344c0016 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:37 that trade in Lone Star Industries has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol LCE.

-30- 341
#90344c0018 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:55 that trade in Martin Lawrence Limited Editions has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol MLE.

-30- 366
#90344c0019 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:05 that trade in Eastern Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: VFBK) has been resumed. The first sale was 7 1/2; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 349
#90344c0020 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in HAL Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol HA. Trading was resumed at 10:00.

-30- 326
#90344c0021 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:16 that trade in The Boston Five Bancorp Inc.(NASDAQ: BFCS) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 1/8; down 1/2 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 368
#90344c0022 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Lone Star Industries has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol LCE. Trading was resumed at 10:17.

-30- 353
#90344c0023 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - Houston-based Starstream Communications Inc. (TICKER: SCGI) has acquired a controlling 80-percent stake in PZ Polton Ltd., an audio-cassette duplicator and animator that does most of its business in Poland, in exchange for $435,000 cash and 250,000 Starstream Communications common shares.

Polton's main asset is its license to conduct business in Poland, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Starstream Communications believes the acquisition will give it access to other Eastern European countries, and provide it with additional domestic business opportunities.

Starstream Communications financed the purchase by selling 700,000 of its common shares at $1 each, plus warrants to buy another 280,000 shares, to two British companies -- GT Management P.L.C. and Beta Global Markets Investment Trust.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 6, 1990.

-30- 1129
#90344c0024 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - Auburn, Calif.-based Centurion Gold Ltd., (TICKER: CEUM) through its Nevada King Co. subsidiary, has sold a 62.5 percent interest in the royalties of two Nevada gold-mining operations to Euro-Nevada Mining Corp. Ltd. of Toronto for $1 million.

Also, Nevada King acquired the Grey Eagle gold mine in the Klamath Mountains in Northern California from Siskon Corp. in exchange for 5.4 million of its

common shares valued at $2.7 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 6, 1990.

-30- 766
#90344c0026 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.D. RAMSDEN OF 1817 WETTON #696, DENVER, COLORADO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 99,999 SHARES OF TAMPERSAFE CO. THROUGH NEIDIGER TUCKER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 29, 1990.

(TAMPERSAFE CO. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 388
#90344c0027 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.M. ADAMS OF 7430 WASATCH BLVD F-1, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84121, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF AMERICA'S FINEST WATERS INC. THROUGH WILSON DAVIS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV. 27, 1990.

(AMERICA'S FINEST WATERS INC. TEL: 801 942-8065)

-30- 438
#90344c0028 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.H. GRILLS JR. OF 1880 S. JACKSON ST., DENVER, COLORADO 80210, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,576,917 SHARES OF AMERICOM CORP.(TICKER: AMRO) THROUGH KOBER FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 4, 1990.

(AMERICOM INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 714 852-7303)

-30- 424
#90344c0029 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C.V. SORELLE OF 1880 S. JACKSON #906, DENVER, COLORADO 80210, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,576,917 SHARES OF AMERICOM CORP.(TICKER: AMRO) THROUGH KOBER FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 4, 1990.

(AMERICOM INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 714 852-7303)

-30- 424
#90344c0030 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.D. DAVIS OF 233 EAST BAY ST., SUITE 620, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32202, HAS FILED TO SELL 1,788,543 SHARES OF AMERICOM CORP.(TICKER: AMRO) THROUGH KOBER FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 4, 1990.

(AMERICOM INTERNATIONAL CORP. TEL: 718 852-7303)

-30- 432
#90344c0031 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C. LEDBETTER OF 326 BENEFIT ST., PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903, HAS FILED TO SELL 99,580 SHARES OF NYVATEX OIL CORP.(TICKER: NYVA) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 3, 1990.

(NYVATEX OIL CORP. TEL: 406 252-3429)

-30- 422
#90344c0032 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C. HASLAM OF 1566 WEST 2550 SOUTH, OGDEN, UTAH 84401, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC.(TICKER: WSFG) THROUGH RA JOHNSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 3, 1990.

(WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC. TEL: 801 782-8888)

-30- 419
#90344c0034 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 9, 1990, J.R. COOKE JR, DIR. OF COMMUNITY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CFFC) BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,050.

-30- 318
#90344c0035 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 1, 1990, T.F. MENTO, OFFICER OF DNB FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 145 SHARES AT $70.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 145.

-30- 292
#90344c0036 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 18, 1990, NATHANIEL LTD, BEN. OWNER OF WASTE CONVERSION SYSTEMS INC. SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $0.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,175,304.

-30- 340
#90344c0037 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 12, 1990, A.K. LAGER, PRES. OF APPLIED MED DEVICES INC. (TICKER: AMDI) BOUGHT 225,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 841,667.

-30- 324
#90344c0038 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, IVACO INC, BEN. OWNER OF LACLEDE STEEL CO. (TICKER: LCLD), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,018,650.

-30- 320
#90344c0039 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 1, 1990 TO NOV. 30, 1990, P.D. SLATER, DIR. OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB), SOLD 70,000 SHARES FROM $5.50 TO $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 157,964.

-30- 322
#90344c0040 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 8, 1990, B.D. FARRAR JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. OF THE MIDWEST BOUGHT 751 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,057.

-30- 350
#90344c0042 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 26, 1990, P.B. HANSEN, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. OF THE MIDWEST BOUGHT 367 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,442.

-30- 350
#90344c0043 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 26, 1990, J.M. HANSON, OFFICER OF FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. OF THE MIDWEST BOUGHT 149 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 735.

-30- 324
#90344c0044 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 8, 1990, S.K. KRATZ, BEN. OWNER OF FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. OF THE MIDWEST BOUGHT 752 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,022.

-30- 328
#90344c0045 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 26, 1990, J.T. KUSTES, OFFICER OF FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. OF THE MIDWEST BOUGHT 157 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 685.

-30- 324
#90344c0046 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 15, 1990, E. JACKSON JR, VP OF IVEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: IVPP) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 220,741.

-30- 310

#90344c0047 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 15, 1990, E. JACKSON JR, VP OF IVEY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: IVPP) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,716.

-30- 311
#90344c0048 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY R. KUMAR JR. OWNS 8,057,000 SHARES (51.80%) OF ABCO ICE CREAM INC.(TICKER: LARY) OF TAMPA, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 387
#90344c0050 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OF MADISON, WISCONSIN OWNS 993,500 SHARES (5.10%) OF FERRO CORP.(TICKER: FOE) OF CLEVELAND, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 417
#90344c0051 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OF MADISON, WISCONSIN OWNS 921,600 SHARES (5.10%) OF PANSOPHIC SYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: PNS) OF LISLE, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 426
#90344c0052 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OF MADISON, WISCONSIN OWNS 968,358 SHARES (5.90%) OF NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP (TICKER: NMG) OF CHESTNUT HILL, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 434
#90344c0053 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

L.I. GOLEMBO OWNS 1,479,020 SHARES (10.80%) OF SEAFOOD FROM ALASKA INC. (TICKER: SEAF) OF STERLING, ALASKA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 28, 1990 L.I. Golembo purchased 600,000 shares for an aggregate purchase price of $30,000.

-30- 439
#90344c0054 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY CALVARY HOLDINGS INC. OWNS 100,000 SHARES (1.90%) OF DICEON ELECTRONICS INC.(TICKER: DICN) OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Calvary Holdings, et al. has offered to purchase all outstanding common shares of Diceon for $5.25 per share. The offer is set to expire on Jan. 7, 1991.

PURPOSE:

Tender offer.

-30- 551
#90344c0055 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY CALVARY HOLDINGS INC. OWNS 100,000 SHARES (1.90%) OF DICEON ELECTRONICS INC.(TICKER: DICN) OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Calvary Holdings Inc., et al. has offered to purchase all outstanding common shares of Diceon for $5.25 per share. The offer is set to expire on Jan. 7, 1991.

PURPOSE:

Tender offer.

-30- 559
#90344c0056 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 6, 1990, NCR filed a complaint in U.S. District Court seeking a declaratory judgment that the rights agreement is valid. On the same date, Moody's Investor Service Inc. announced that it has changed its review of the debt ratings of both AT&T and the company from uncertain to possible downgrade. Duff & Phelps Inc. also announced that it had placed the long-term debt securities of AT&T on the watch list-trend unfavorable.

-30- 672
#90344c0061 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

H.F. IMHOFF OWNS 511,993 SHARES (32.20%) OF GENERAL EMPLOYMENT ENTERPRISES INC.(TICKER: JOB) OF OAKBROOK TERRACE, ILLINOIS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 21 through Dec. 3, 1990, H.F. Imhoff purchased 23,000 shares at a price of $2.50 to $4.13 per share.

-30- 477
#90344c0062 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.G. LANE JR. OWNS 173,089 SHARES (5.00%) OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO) OF SPARTANBURG, SOUTH CAROLINA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 29, 1990, 10,000 shares covered under a stock option became exercisable within 60 days at an exercise price of $3.50 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 5, 1990 through Nov. 29, 1990, J.G. Lane JR. purchased 11,700 shares at a price of $5.75 to $6.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 638
#90344c0063 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY KIEWIT US CO. OWNS 3,225,050 SHARES (8.45%) OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO.(TICKER: AX) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 30, 1990 through Dec. 5, 1990, Kiewit US Co., et al. purchased 555,500 shares at a price of $3.75 to $3.88 per share.

-30- 484
#90344c0064 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 2,483,767 SHARES (15.15%) OF NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP (TICKER: NMG) OF CHESTNUT HILL, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 9, 1990, through Dec. 5, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc., et al. purchased 174,600 shares at a price of $13.25 to $13.75 per share and sold 18,800 shares at a price of $13.25 to $13.50 per share. GAMCO gave up control of 5,000 shares.

-30- 639
#90344c0065 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

G.W. FISCHER OWNS 87,500 SHARES (5.25%) OF GUARANTY BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: GBNC) OF SHAMOKIN, PENNSYLVANIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

G.W. Fischer sold 42,500 shares for a total of $85,000 on Nov. 19, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 442
#90344c0066 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

TRIMAC LTD. OWNS 1,493,104 SHARES (25.10%) OF BANISTER INC.(TICKER: BAC) OF EDMONTON, ALBERTA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Trimac LTD. privately purchased 466,504 shares from the Churchill Corp. Nov. 7 1990 at $9.78 per share.

PURPOSE:

Increase of ownership.

-30- 454
#90344c0067 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY G.S. PUSEY OF DENVER, COLORADO OWNS 298,373 SHARES (21.40%) OF CAMBRIDGE HOLDINGS LTD. OF DENVER, COLORADO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 30, 1990 G.S. Pusey, et al. purchased 12,500 shares at 38 cents per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 470
#90344c0069 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAY MARGOLIS OF 15 WEST 81ST STREET, NEW YORK, NY 10024, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 417
#90344c0070 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK C BENUN OF 35 MILEED WAY, AVENEL, NJ 07001, HAS FILED TO SELL 44,075 SHARES OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(CONCORD CAMERA CORP. TEL: 201 499-8280)

-30- 408
#90344c0071 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID F MARQUARDT OF 240 CERVANTES, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94123, HAS FILED

TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(MICROSOFT CORP. TEL: 206 882-8080)

-30- 409
#90344c0072 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLINTON J HURD OF 15855 N E NESIKA BAY RD, POULSBO, WA 98370, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. TEL: 206 881-7544)

-30- 436
#90344c0073 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL M COOK OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG #1, SUITE 185, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. (TICKER: CMFB) THROUGH FECHTOR DETWILER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. TEL: 603 424-9000)

-30- 445
#90344c0074 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM B SNYDER OF GEICO CORPORATION, GEICO PLAZA, WASHINGTON, DC 20076 HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF GEICO CORP. (TICKER: GEC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(GEICO CORP. TEL: 301 986-3000)

-30- 400
#90344c0075 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS HAAS OF 56 SIGNAL HILL TRAIL, SPARTA, NJ 07871, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,500 SHARES OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 201 731-9252)

-30- 430
#90344c0077 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERNATIONAL DESIGN CORP OF 150 N MICHIGAN AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60601, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(STONE CONTAINER CORP. TEL: 312 346-6600)

-30- 434
#90344c0078 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAYMOND DWECK OF 2125 HIGHWAY 35, 0, OAKHURST, NJ 07755, HAS FILED TO SELL 61,065 SHARES OF ROBERTS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. (TICKER: RPCX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(ROBERTS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. TEL: 201 389-1182)

-30- 434
#90344c0079 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MANIATIS TOM 1982 TRUST OF 87 CAMBRIDGE PK DR, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02140, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. TEL: 617 876-1170)

-30- 449
#90344c0080 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOXER OF 122 CLIPPER LANE, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 402

#90344c0081 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER P MESQUITA OF 411-2 LAKEWAY DR, LAKE DALLAS, TX 75065, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,666 SHARES OF GAMMA INTERNATIONAL LTD. (TICKER: GAMM) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 23, 1990.

(GAMMA INTERNATIONAL LTD. TEL: 214 869-2349)

-30- 422
#90344c0082 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MORGRIDGE JOHN & TASHIA TTEES OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON NOV 14, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 443
#90344c0083 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRENDAN J CASSIN OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 943-1234)

-30- 446
#90344c0085 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MILLER ANDREW W FOUNDATION OF WOODMONT CENTRE, 102 WOODMONT BLVD STE 610, NASHVILLE, TN 37205, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. TEL: 615 385-3541)

-30- 502
#90344c0086 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTL VENTURE CAP INVTMT CORP OF 2500 WALSH AVE, SANTA CLARA, CA 95051, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,942 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 416
#90344c0087 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBINSON CHARLES & MARA TRUST OF 3900 SW MURRAY BLVD, BEAVERTON, OR 97005, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NKE) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(NIKE INC. TEL: 503 641-6453)

-30- 414
#90344c0088 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EMANUEL E LANDSMAN OF 3 BROOKWOOD RD, LEXINGTON, MA 02173, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,945 SHARES OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. TEL: 401 789-5735)

-30- 453
#90344c0089 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LUTZ GREGORY P TTEE OF 2320 MARINSHIP WAY, SAUSALITO, CA 94965, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AUTODESK INC. (TICKER: ACAD) THROUGH MORGAN GRENFELL INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(AUTODESK INC. TEL: 415 332-2344)

-30- 412
#90344c0090 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BENJAMIN L BETHELL OF ONE PROCTER & GAMBLE PLZ, CINCINNATI, OH 45202, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,090 SHARES OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. TEL: 513 983-1100)

-30- 436
#90344c0091 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TIMOTHY MOTT OF 48 CLARENDON AVE, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94114, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(ELECTRONIC ARTS TEL: 415 571-7171)

-30- 407
#90344c0093 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALLACE R HAWLEY OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG # 3, SUITE 255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,380 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

-30- 453
#90344c0094 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HURT WILLIAM H FOUNDATION OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 434
#90344c0095 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORWEST BANK MN-NATL ASSOC TTEE OF 4666 FARIES PARKWAY, BOX 1479, DECATUR, IL 62526, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND TEL: 217 424-5200)

-30- 472
#90344c0096 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HENRY E BLAIR OF P O BOX 648, 0, BARNSTABLE, MA 02630, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF GENZYME CORP. (TICKER: GENZ) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(GENZYME CORP. TEL: 617 252-7500)

-30- 392
#90344c0097 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEIL J COLVIN OF 1 KNOLLWOOD ST, NORTH EASTON, MA 02356, HAS FILED TO SELL 90,000 SHARES OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. TEL: 617 551-4000)

-30- 432
#90344c0098 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T ROWE PRICE THRES FD II LP OF 22011 SE 51ST ST, PO BOX 7004, ISSAQUAH, WA 98027, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(EGGHEAD INC. TEL: 206 391-5150)

-30- 440
#90344c0099 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WARBURG PINCUS CAP CO LP OF 466 LEXINGTON AVE, 0, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 55,000 SHARES OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: UNIH) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. TEL: 612 936-1200)

-30- 452
#90344c0101 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL H BERNSTEIN OF 975 CREST VALLEY DR, ATLANTA, GA 30327, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(CROWN CRAFTS INC. TEL: 404 629-7941)

-30- 416
#90344c0102 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RUDOLPH J SCHMATZ OF 515 RIVERHILL DR NW, ATLANTA, GA 30328, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(CROWN CRAFTS INC. TEL: 404 629-7941)

-30- 412
#90344c0103 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EBEN D TRUSTEES JORDAN OF 5400 CARILLON POINT, KIRKLAND, WA 98033, HAS FILED TO SELL 407,485 SHARES OF MCCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS IN (TICKER: MCAW) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(MCCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS IN TEL: 206 827-4500)

-30- 473
#90344c0104 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EBEN D TRUSTEES JORDAN OF 135 MORRISSEY BLVD, P O BOX 2378, BOSTON, MA 02107, HAS FILED TO SELL 485,000 SHARES OF AFFILIATED PUBLICATIONS INC. (TICKER: AFP) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(AFFILIATED PUBLICATIONS INC. TEL: 617 929-3300)

-30- 467
#90344c0105 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAPITAL N V ARROW OF 12500 FAIR LAKES CIRCLE, FAIRFAX, VA 22033, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,836 SHARES OF ORBITAL SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: ORBI) THROUGH ROTHSCHILD INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(ORBITAL SCIENCES CORP. TEL: 703 631-3600)

-30- 427
#90344c0106 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN H FRIED OF 1238 MARTIN AVE, PALO ALTOS, CA 94301, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SYNTEX CORP. (TICKER: SYN) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(SYNTEX CORP. TEL: 415 855-5050)

-30- 388
#90344c0107 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INDEPENDENT INVTMT CO PLC OF BROWN & WILLIAMSON TWR STE 700, LOUISVILLE, KY 40202, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,062 SHARES OF VENCOR CORP. (TICKER: VCOR) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(VENCOR CORP. TEL: 502 589-6185)

-30- 434
#90344c0109 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BETTY B EVANS OF 8230 BUCKLAND MILL RD, GAINESVILLE, VA 22065, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF FANSTEEL INC. (TICKER: FNL) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(FANSTEEL INC. TEL: 708 689-4900)

-30- 402
#90344c0110 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R DIXON SPEAS JR OF 2498 GOLF LINKS CIRCLE, SANTA CLARA, CA 95050, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03,

1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 415 441-2438)

-30- 458
#90344c0111 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RHONDA K LUNSFORD OF 2308 CALLE LUMINOSO, SANTA FE, NM 87505, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH M C HARRISON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2400)

-30- 432
#90344c0112 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARLO CIVELLI OF 12725 SW 66TH AVE STE 102, PORTLAND, OR 97223, HAS FILED TO SELL 180,000 SHARES OF PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PSIX) THROUGH HAYWOOD SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 503 624-8577)

-30- 436
#90344c0113 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DELL SUSAN L TRUST OF 9505 ARBORETUM BLVD, AUSTIN, TX 78759, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,300 SHARES OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(DELL COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 512 338-4400)

-30- 424
#90344c0114 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DELL MICHAEL S TRUST OF 9505 ARBORETUM BLVD, AUSTIN, TX 78759, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,400 SHARES OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(DELL COMPUTER CORP. TEL: 512 338-4400)

-30- 428
#90344c0115 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAL B PHILLIPS OF 5950 CANOGA AVE, SUITE 130, WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF PHILLIPS (E.N.) CO. (TICKER: ENPQ) THROUGH TOLUCA PACIFIC SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(PHILLIPS (E.N.) CO. TEL: 818 999-1330)

-30- 435
#90344c0117 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD E PRIOR OF 34 WEATHERLY CT, JAMESTOWN, RI 02835, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH WILLIAM BARTON FINL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 425
#90344c0118 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN D MEYERS OF 1730 FOX DRIVE, SAN JOSE, CA 95131, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP TEL: 408 441-2200)

-30- 444
#90344c0119 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ENTERPRISES KLS OF C/O DELPHI ASSET MNGMT, 485 MADISON AVE, 20TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS) THROUGH REYNOLDS DEWITT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. TEL: 614 833-9155)

-30- 472
#90344c0120 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - SPECTRUM INC OF 29 SOBY DR, WEST HARTFORD, CT 06107, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH M C HARRISON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2400)

-30- 419
#90344c0121 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN F FERRARO OF 235 FAIR HILL LANE, SUFFIELD, CT 06078, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH M C HARRISON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2400)

-30- 427
#90344c0122 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT F PETERS OF 2000 EASTMAN DR, MILFORD, OH 45150, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH COR (TICKER: SDRC) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH COR TEL: 513 576-2000)

-30- 455
#90344c0123 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD H WALTER OF 9876 HAMPSTEAD CT, CINCINNATI, OH 45241, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF MERIDIAN DIAGNOSTICS INC. (TICKER: KITS) THROUGH GRADISON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(MERIDIAN DIAGNOSTICS INC. TEL: 513 271-3700)

-30- 433
#90344c0125 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM W REID OF 1600 STOUT ST, STE 1600, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 175,950 SHARES OF U.S. GOLD CORP. (TICKER: USGL) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH

INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(U.S. GOLD CORP. TEL: 303 629-1515)

-30- 406
#90344c0126 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLORIA W SIDNAM OF 780 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10019, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF KELLEY OIL CORP. (TICKER: KOIL) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(KELLEY OIL CORP. TEL: 212 838-5831)

-30- 405
#90344c0127 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - & MESIVA TORAS CHAIM YESHIVA OF 1170 WILLIAM ST, HEWLETT, NY 11557, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH DATEK SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 441
#90344c0128 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RODGERS JOSEPH T III TRUST 1 OF 276 KAREN COURT, LOS GATOS, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(QUANTUM CORP. TEL: 408 432-1100)

-30- 430
#90344c0129 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN L FORD OF 7211 HAWKINS CREAMRY RD, GAITHERSBURG, MD 20820, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. TEL: 301 294-5140)

-30- 438
#90344c0130 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER L FLAHERTY JR OF 7919 WARFIELD RD, GAITHERSBURG, MD 20882, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS) THROUGH SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. TEL: 301 294-5140)

-30- 448
#90344c0131 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S GRAY STEIFEL JR OF 4108 HOBBS ROAD, GREENSBORO, NC 27410, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF OAKWOOD HOMES CORP. (TICKER: OH) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(OAKWOOD HOMES CORP. TEL: 919 855-2400)

-30- 411
#90344c0133 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS G DEVIVO OF 40 LABURNAM RD, ATHERTON, CA 94027, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 410
#90344c0134 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD L PRFT SHR KEOGH LUCAS OF 2921 S DAIMLER ST, SANTA ANA, CA 92705, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF TRICARE INC. (TICKER: TRCR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(TRICARE INC. TEL: 714 250-4092)

-30- 411
#90344c0135 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM SCOTT HEDRICK OF C/O INTERWEST PARTERS, 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG #3 MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,929 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

-30- 467
#90344c0136 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BERNSTEIN FAMILY FOUNDATION OF P O BOX 12371, EDMOND STREET, CALHOUN, GA 30703, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(CROWN CRAFTS INC. TEL: 404 629-7941)

-30- 444
#90344c0137 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RANDALL FRANK L JR TRUST OF 6400 LOOKOUT RD, BOULDER, CO 80301, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF B.I. INC. (TICKER: BIAC) THROUGH PENN MERCHANT GRP LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(B.I. INC. TEL: 303 530-2911)

-30- 407
#90344c0138 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BERTHA B SHEPARD OF 50 LOCUST AVE, P O BOX 125, NEW CANAAN, CT 06840, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF AURA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AURA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(AURA SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 213 643-5300)

-30- 419
#90344c0139 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELLEN M HOREY OF 10 EASTVIEW TERRACE, 0, PITTSFORD, NY 14534, HAS FILED

TO SELL 6,180 SHARES OF BE AVIONICS INC. (TICKER: BEAV) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(BE AVIONICS INC. TEL: 714 835-6575)

-30- 410
#90344c0141 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COMSTOCK G & HILLMAN A TTEES OF 4200 BOHANNON DRIVE, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(NETWORK GENERAL CORP. TEL: 415 688-2700)

-30- 453
#90344c0142 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIN H CHEUNG OF 3872 WEST MERCER WAY, MERCER ISLAND, WA 98040, HAS FILED TO SELL 1,125,000 SHARES OF ELECTROCON INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: EPLT) THROUGH KOBER FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(ELECTROCON INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 000 000-0000)

-30- 447
#90344c0143 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOE STEPHENSON OF P O BOX 300716, CS-34, DENVER, CO 80203, HAS FILED TO SELL 80,000 SHARES OF PURECYCLE CORP. (TICKER: PCY) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(PURECYCLE CORP. TEL: 303 467-9225)

-30- 406
#90344c0144 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JASON D REID OF 1600 HUDSONS BAY CENTRE, 1600 STOUT ST STE 1600, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,500 SHARES OF U.S. GOLD CORP. (TICKER: USGL) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(U.S. GOLD CORP. TEL: 303 629-1515)

-30- 426
#90344c0145 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BETH D REID OF 1600 HUDSONS BAY CENTRE, 1600 STOUT ST STE 1600, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,000 SHARES OF U.S. GOLD CORP. (TICKER: USGL) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(U.S. GOLD CORP. TEL: 303 629-1515)

-30- 425
#90344c0146 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E COOK OF 660 EAST MASON ST, MILWAUKEE, WI 53202, HAS FILED TO SELL 44,444 SHARES OF ENVIRONMENTAL DIAGNOSTICS INC. (TICKER: EDIT) THROUGH QUICK & REILLY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(ENVIRONMENTAL DIAGNOSTICS INC. TEL: 919 226-6311)

-30- 443
#90344c0147 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Martin Lawrence Limited Editions has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol MLE. Trading was resumed at 10:38.

-30- 375
#90344c0149 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCOTT P HARTUNG OF 1350 CAMPUS PARKWAY, NEPTUNE, NJ 07753, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF R-2000 CORP. (TICKER: RTWO) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(R-2000 CORP. TEL: 201 919-0400)

-30- 392
#90344c0150 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, BEN O HOWELL JR, OFFICER OF ALLIED BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: ABGA), SOLD 61,538 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90344c0151 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, BEN O HOWELL JR, OFFICER OF ALLIED BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: ABGA), SOLD 38,202 SHARES AT $5.97 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 262,003.

-30- 332
#90344c0152 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, PATRICK W GROSS, OFFICER OF AMERICAN MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AMSY), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,000.

-30- 359
#90344c0153 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, WILLIAM L GINNA, VP OF ATHLONE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ATH), BOUGHT 500 SHARES FROM $9.50 TO $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 330
#90344c0154 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, STANLEY HARRIS, DIR. OF ATHLONE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ATH), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,300.

-30- 301
#90344c0155 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 19, 1990, MARTIN W MCCULLOUGH, DIR. OF ATHEY PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: ATPC), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $4.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 315
#90344c0157 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, PAUL C BARKLEY, DIR. OF BURNHAM PACIFIC PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BPP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,648.

-30- 340
#90344c0158 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOHN H REID, DIR. OF CENTRAL PENN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CPSA), BOUGHT 175 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,420.

-30- 325
#90344c0159 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, R RON HEILIGENSTEIN, DIR. OF WHITE (DAVID) INC. (TICKER: DAWH), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,000.

-30- 326
#90344c0160 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JOHN H FITCHEN, VP OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 289
#90344c0161 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, JOHN H FITCHEN, VP OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 289
#90344c0162 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 16, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, E GARRETT BEWKES JR, DIR. OF FAIRCHILD CORP. (TICKER: FA), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES FROM $6.75 TO $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,700.

-30- 336
#90344c0163 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, FREDERICK H TAYLOR, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP.(NC) (TICKER: FBNC), BOUGHT 7,693 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,428.

-30- 324
#90344c0165 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JON H STOWE, VP OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,430.

-30- 292
#90344c0166 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, ROBERT N KENDALL, DIR. OF GREAT BAY BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: GBBS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,000.

-30- 330
#90344c0167 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, CHARLES F WHITTEN, DIR. OF GERBER PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: GEB), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $54.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,653.

-30- 306
#90344c0168 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JAMES A JONES, OFFICER OF GENICOM CORP. (TICKER: GECM), BOUGHT 213 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,467.

-30- 302
#90344c0169 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 21, 1989 TO JUL 09, 1990, JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF GREATER WASHINGTON INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: GWA), BOUGHT 42,000 SHARES FROM $3.00 TO $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,430,206.

-30- 389
#90344c0170 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, GLEN BRITTON EVANS, PRES. OF HOMESTEAD FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HFL), SOLD 104,525 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,450.

-30- 331
#90344c0171 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, LAWRENCE WEISSBERG, CHAIRMAN OF HOMESTEAD FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HFL), BOUGHT 104,525 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,501,140.

-30- 345
#90344c0173 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, JAMES P CEFARATTI, PRES. OF HOME INTENSIVE CARE INC. (TICKER: HICI), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES FROM $1.63 TO $1.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 343
#90344c0174 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JOANN RUSHING, VP OF HOME INTENSIVE CARE INC. (TICKER: HICI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 310
#90344c0175 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, STEPHEN L TAGLIANETTI, VP OF HOME INTENSIVE CARE INC. (TICKER: HICI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 332
#90344c0176 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, RAYMOND W MARSHALL, DIR. OF INFOTRON SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: INFN), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 330
#90344c0177 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, MARVIN B KOSOFSKY, BEN. OWNER OF JACOR COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: JCOR), BOUGHT 57,500 SHARES FROM $1.88 TO $1.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,077,500.

-30- 381
#90344c0178 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JEFFERIES GROUP INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), SOLD 951 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 822,572.

-30- 348
#90344c0179 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 17, 1990, CELESTE K HAMPTON, DIR. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 271,974.

-30- 330
#90344c0181 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 07, 1990, DOLPH BRISCOE JR, DIR. OF LOMAS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LFC), SOLD 106,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90344c0182 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, PHILIP O ROGERS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LEGG MASON INC. (TICKER: LM), SOLD 4,351 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 141,633.

-30- 331
#90344c0183 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 25, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, ROBERT F WELTE, VP OF LORAL CORP. (TICKER: LOR), SOLD 16,891 SHARES FROM $30.13 TO $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,876.

-30- 324
#90344c0184 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Golden Quail Resources Ltd.(TICKER: GQRV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,168	$781
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(35,737)	$(106,010)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,190,655	$4,151,909
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,949,132	$3,489,922

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise and is inactive and has no substantial revenues. Its corporate address is 1228-A Camino Del Mar, Del Mar, California 92014, and its telephone number is (619) 792-1500.

-30- 1264
#90344c0185 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, KATHRYN J SHUBERT, OFFICER OF LA PETITE ACADEMY INC. (TICKER: LPAI), SOLD 1,333 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 143.

-30- 327
#90344c0186 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, JEROME ROSENTHAL, DIR. OF MEDALIST INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MDIN), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $8.91 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,800.

-30- 319
#90344c0187 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, JIM PATTISON, DIR. OF MACMILLAN BLOEDEL LTD. (TICKER: MMBL), BOUGHT 210 SHARES AT $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 857.

-30- 311
#90344c0189 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, PATRICIA B FISH, BEN. OWNER OF MERLIN MINING CO. (TICKER: MMCO), SOLD 123,333 SHARES AT $0.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,426,667.

-30- 329
#90344c0190 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JAMES T GRAVES, DIR. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,300.

-30- 292
#90344c0191 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 29, 1990, First Peoples Bank of New Jersey, a wholly-owned subsidiary of First Peoples Financial Corp.(TICKER: FPNJ), announced it had signed a non-binding letter of intent to proceed with a transaction whereby it will assume over $170.0 million in deposit liabilities and purchase certain of the assets of

eight branch banking offices of Statewide Bancorp subsidiaries in Atlantic and Salem counties, New Jersey.

-30- 653

#90344c0192 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, ROBERT J BAUDENDISTEL, DIR. OF MARK TWAIN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: MTWN), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,000.

-30- 344

#90344c0193 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, J ADELBERT DULUDE, DIR. OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), BOUGHT 120 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,567.

-30- 308

#90344c0194 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Bennett Petroleum Corp.(TICKER: BENT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$709,700	$813,381
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$113,483	$159,500
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$333,773	$468,963
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	31,665,674	28,565,674

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$836,010	$922,625
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$417,525	$83,752

-30- 1063
#90344c0195 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, DONALD H REX, DIR. OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,600.

-30- 298
#90344c0197 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 19, 1990, Weyco Group Inc.(TICKER: WEYS) entered into stock redemption agreements with Thomas W. Florsheim and Robert Feitler, pursuant to which each shareholder granted the corporation a right of first refusal in the event of any sale of such shareholder's stock in the corporation.

The corporation gave each shareholder the right to require it to repurchase all or any part of his shares upon the shareholder's death, disability or retirement from employment with the company, whether at stated retirement age or earlier, with the corporation's consent.

The redemption price for any required repurchases under such conditions will be the fair market value of the shares on the date on which the option arises.

Florsheim currently beneficially owns 209,292 shares of common stock, or 12.60%, and 202,140 shares of the company's Cl. B common stock, or 39.25%.

Feitler beneficially owns 142,682 shares of common stock, and 128,682 shares of Cl. B common stock, or 8.57% and 24.98%, respectively.

-30- 1251
#90344c0198 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, ROLAND M HENDRICKSON, DIR. OF NEOGEN CORP. (TICKER: NEOG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 310
#90344c0199 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, THOMAS M ZAKRZEWSKI, VP OF NICHOLS RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: NRES), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 8,500.

-30- 323
#90344c0200 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, JAMES B SHERWOOD, CHAIRMAN OF ORIENT EXPRESS HOTELS INC. (TICKER: OEH), BOUGHT 82,200 SHARES FROM $2.38 TO $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,509,285.

-30- 373
#90344c0201 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows upon the filing for bankruptcy Nov. 21, 1990 of Laventhol & Horwath, the company's independent accountants for more than a decade, that company advised Analogic Corp.(TICKER: ALOG) that it would not continue its professional activities.

Subsequently, Analogic engaged the firm of Coopers & Lybrand in that office.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 744
#90344c0202 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, LOYD J COLE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ORBIT GAS CO (TICKER: OGHS), BOUGHT 1,050 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,371.

-30- 330
#90344c0203 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, FRANK I LINDSEY, PRES. OF ORBIT GAS CO (TICKER: OGHS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,098.

-30- 305
#90344c0205 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, WILLIAM J CAMPBELL, PRES. OF PAMRAPO BANCORP INC.

(TICKER: PBCI), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,333.

-30- 325
#90344c0206 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the common stock of Arrhythmia Research Technology Inc.(TICKER: ARTI) was accepted for inclusion in the National Association of Securities Dealers automated quotation system on Nov. 30, 1990.

The company announces trading should begin under the symbol ARTI during the week of Dec. 3, 1990.

-30- 511
#90344c0207 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, CLYDE E BEYMER JR, DIR. OF PLAINS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: PLP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,488.

-30- 320
#90344c0208 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, WILLIAM W GRANT, DIR. OF PLAINS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: PLP), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,600.

-30- 310
#90344c0209 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, JOE ELAM, OFFICER OF PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PRDE), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 321
#90344c0210 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, EUGENE C FOWLER, VP OF PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PRDE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,710.

-30- 322
#90344c0211 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 15, 1990, Great Southern Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: GSBC), the holding company for Great Southern Savings Bank, confirmed its previously released preliminary earnings results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, which showed net income of $781,366, or $0.39 per share.

This is consistent with earnings of $786,407 in the same quarter a year ago.

The company reports its net interest income was up 23% in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, to $3.57 million, from $2.91 million for the same period a year ago.

-30- 761
#90344c0213 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, NEIL J ABITABILO, VP OF RHEOMETRICS INC. (TICKER: RHEM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 300
#90344c0214 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Rose's Stores Inc.(TICKER: RSTO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Oct. 27, 1990	Oct. 26, 1989
REVENUES	$338,413,000	$345,321,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,699,000)	$(248,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.14)	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 27, 1990	Jan. 27, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$559,220,000	$494,328,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$195,237,000	$204,574,000

-30- 1011
#90344c0215 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, NORMAN A KIDD, DIR. OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS), SOLD 24,167 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 125,000.

-30- 301
#90344c0216 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SYMBOL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SBL), BOUGHT 31,000 SHARES FROM $8.38 TO $9.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,880,834.

-30- 375
#90344c0217 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, BOYD C HIPP II, DIR. OF SOUTH CAROLINA FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: SCFB), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,197.

-30- 335
#90344c0218 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, RELIANCE FINL SVCS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), SOLD 382,132 SHARES FROM $3.31 TO $3.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 318
#90344c0219 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, DONALD L MEIER, VP OF SARA LEE CORP. (TICKER: SLE), SOLD 222 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,465.

-30- 291
#90344c0221 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, RICHARD L THOMAS, DIR. OF SARA LEE CORP. (TICKER: SLE), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $28.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,900.

-30- 307
#90344c0222 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, PILLAR CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SENSOR CONTROL CORP. (TICKER: SNCO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,073,429.

-30- 318
#90344c0223 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, LOU A EDWARDS, DIR. OF SWIFT TRANSPORTATION INC. (TICKER: SWFT), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES FROM $7.88 TO $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,500.

-30- 340
#90344c0224 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, NELSON G HARRIS, PRES. OF TASTY BAKING CO. (TICKER: TBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,532.

-30- 312
#90344c0225 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, JOHN L BLACK JR, DIR. OF TRUSTMARK CORP. (TICKER: TRMK), BOUGHT 966 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,102.

-30- 300
#90344c0226 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, ROBERT D BOYNE, DIV. OFFICER OF UNC INC. (TICKER: UNC), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $3.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,500.

-30- 307
#90344c0227 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, PAUL X MCLAIN, OFFICER OF UNC INC. (TICKER: UNC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $3.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,234.

-30- 293
#90344c0229 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, MARY F JENSEN, OFFICER OF VENTURIAN CORP. (TICKER: VENT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 310
#90344c0230 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, CHARLES B LANGEVIN, OFFICER OF VENTURIAN CORP. (TICKER: VENT), BOUGHT 6,400 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,400.

-30- 317
#90344c0231 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, MICHAEL H SHANAHAN, DIR. OF VICOR INC. (TICKER: VICR), BOUGHT 390 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 390.

-30- 295
#90344c0232 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, MICHAEL H SHANAHAN, DIR. OF VICOR INC. (TICKER: VICR), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 297
#90344c0233 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JERROLD B HARRIS, PRES. OF VWR CORP. (TICKER: VWRX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.11 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,249.

-30- 297
#90344c0234 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JAMES M BARNES, VP OF WESTAMERICA BANCORP. (TICKER: WAB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 314
#90344c0235 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOHN W CREIGHTON JR, PRES. OF WASHINGTON ENERGY CO. (TICKER: WECO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,500.

-30- 326
#90344c0237 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUL 09, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, MARTIN D GRUSS, BEN. OWNER OF WHITTAKER CORP. (TICKER: WKR), SOLD 89,700 SHARES FROM $8.44 TO $11.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 747,800.

-30- 350
#90344c0238 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, DAVID C GARRETT JR, DIR. OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $32.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 290
#90344c0239 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:03 that trade in Intercontinental Enterprises Inc.(NASDAQ: ENTI) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 1/8. The company is located in Englewood, Colorado.

-30- 375
#90344c0240 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:35 that trade in Seagull Energy Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on

the NYSE, ticker symbol SGL.

-30- 319
#90344c0241 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:41 that trade in Neutrogena Corp.(NASDAQ: NGNA) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 14 1/2.

-30- 297
#90344c0242 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:22 that trade in Enstar Indonesia has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol ESR.

-30- 311
#90344c0243 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:26 that trade in Neutrogena Corp.(NASDAQ: NGNA) has been resumed. The first sale was 13 1/4; down 1 1/4 point from the halt, and down 1/2 point from the previous close.

-30- 364
#90344c0245 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:45 that trade in Intercontinental Enterprises Inc.(NASDAQ: ENTI) has been resumed. The first bid was 3/32; down 1/32 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 379
#90344c0246 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:54 that trade in Universal Medical Buildings LTD. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol UMB.

-30- 344
#90344c0247 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Thermal Profiles Inc.(TICKER: THPR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$675,510	$1,456,515
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$161,198
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,347,913)	$104,278
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.40)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,378,273	3,258,273

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$11,307,819	$12,836,456
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$170,757	$2,041,999

-30- 1087

#90344c0248 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 28, 1990, Auto Depot Inc.(TICKER: AUTD) extended the maturity date of a $850,000 loan to Familia Mercado Inc. from Nov. 30, 1990 to Dec. 31, 1990.

The loan originally was made on Sept. 25, 1990, and originally bore interest at the rate of 10% per annum.

In connection with the extension of the maturity date, Familia Mercado and the Auto Depot agreed to increase the interest rate from 10% per annum to 11% per annum starting Dec. 1, 1990.

-30- 681

#90344c0249 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by A.J. Ross Logistics Inc.(TICKER: AJRL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$39,810,836	$55,205,134
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$(454,285)
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,487,823	$(3,211,254)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.11	$(0.22)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	13,402,111	14,544,842

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$22,989,790	$39,763,559
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,709,207	$3,150,384

-30- 1111

#90344c0250 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by TMS Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,543,704	$2,637,958
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(573,674)	$699,319
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$0.10
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,235,434	$6,863,784

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,238,481	$1,027,733
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$412,587	$335,702

-30- 1048

#90344c0251 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by PHOTOCOMM INC.(TICKER: PCOM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,862,512	$7,268,981

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(810,818)	$(753,314)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$(0.13)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,458,471	5,996,509

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,546,554	$3,079,456
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,260,321	$529,140

-30- 1033

#90344c0253 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Petro-Global Inc.(TICKER: PEAL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(54,609)	$(18,099)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,473,121	8,973,121

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,241,531	$2,752,420
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,698,159	$2,320,343

The company reports the only income it received during the current quarter was a minor coal royalty, and that its main efforts have been to find additional financing. Its executive address is 410 Seventeenth Street, Suite 2100, Denver CO 80202, and its telephone number is (303)573-5038.

-30- 1366
#90344c0254 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Standard Metals Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(206,280)	$(189,973)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.19)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,293,491	3,175,045

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,544,521	$4,366,763
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(3,177,042)	$2,564,088)

The company states that because it had no operating properties in either three-month reporting period, no revenue was generated during the first nine months of either 1990 or 1989. Standard reports it needs and has sought outside financing, joint ventures regarding its properties and sales of its properties, and that efforts in these areas by management are continuing vigorously. Its corporate address is 1270 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10020, and its telephone number is (212) 956-5450.

-30- 1612
#90344c0255 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Stephan Co.(TICKER: STPN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$1,513,135	$1,329,525
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$178,787	$127,949
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.30	$0.21

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,346,035	$2,951,160
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,810,336	$1,346,297

-30- 1007

#90344c0256 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Consolidated NRD Resources Ltd.(TICKER: NRDR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$120	$345
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(117,151)	$(197,483)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.08)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30. 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,962,777	$4,300,479
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,905,477	$4,179,765

-30- 1031

#90344c0257 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mr. Rooter Corp.(TICKER: ROOT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$520,404	$250,993
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$102,501	$(119,290)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,974,030	2,971,030

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,534,286	$2,119,039
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,566,281	$1,221,678

-30- 1072

#90344c0258 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Battery One-Stop Inc.(TICKER: BATT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended April 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,271,763	$2,139,910
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,932,161)	$(396,306)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.24	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,988,284	6,082,758

BALANCE SHEET

	April 30, 1990	April 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$11,696,540	$2,718,221
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,552,033	$2,442,162

Figures are expressed in Canadian dollars.

-30- 1122

#90344c0259 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Protech Inc.(TICKER: PRTC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$139,932	$366,925
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(560,886)	$(267,648)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.22)	$(0.25)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,558,535	1,114,787

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,128,214	$2,694,524
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,499,487	$2,060,322

-30- 1058

#90344c0261 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Celebrity Resorts Inc.(TICKER: CELE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Inception July 27, 1987
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(7,077)	$(115,141)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,022,150	

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$3,472,153
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,992,447

The company, a development stage enterprise, reports it did not derive any revenues during either the nine-month or the three-month periods ending Sept. 30, 1990 and has reported no revenues since its inception. The operating loss is attributable to start-up costs and the expenses connected with costs of an initial public offering ultimately abandoned by the company in 1988, and a second public offering declared effective Aug. 14, 1990 and closed Aug. 22, 1990. Its corporate offices are located at 1064 Howell Branch Road, Winter Park, Florida 32789, and its telephone number is (407) 645-1104.

-30- 1662

#90344c0262 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 14, 1990 Brothers, Bailey and DH Partners LP filed an amended petition relating to the June 12, 1990 action against Resolution Trust Corp. and Hallmark including claims that Hallmark's irrevocable proxy to vote pledged shares was invalid. On Aug. 21, 1990 the court issued an order temporarily restraining Hallmark from disposing of the pledged shares and setting a temporary injunction hearing matter for Sept. 14, 1990. On Sept. 12, 1990 Hallmark entered into a stock purchase agreement with DHRG Investment Partners LP under which Hallmark agreed to sell the pledged shares under certain conditions. On Sept. 13, 1990 William M. Brothers filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy and as a result, all actions by Hallmark with respect to disposition of the pledged shares were stayed and the injunction hearing cancelled. At a hearing in the bankruptcy proceeding on Nov. 21, 1990, Hallmark withdrew its objection to the sale of the pledged shares from the debtor-in-possession to DH Partners LP at $1.80 per share on or before Nov. 30 1990. The sale was approved by the court. The sale was not consummated before the deadline however, and Hallmark intends to dispose of the pledged shares as expeditiously as possible.

-30- 1450

#90344c0263 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

XEROX CORP OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT OWNS 18,291,530 SHARES (38.10%) OF SELECTRONICS INC.(TICKER: SELE) OF PITTSFORD, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 19, 1990 Selectronics Inc. approved the issuance of 4,561,686 common shares in exchange for Xerox's forgiveness of all of the company's and Microlytics' obligations including accrued interest under 5 promissory notes held by Xerox totaling $2,025,000 in aggregate principal amount. The shares will be issued at 50 cents per share.

-30- 684
#90344c0264 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

K.W. ANDERSON OWNS 330,712 SHARES (5.00%) OF AMTECH CORP.(TICKER: AMTC) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 349
#90344c0265 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

J. LATSHAW OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI OWNS 251,198 SHARES (43.20%) OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC.(TICKER: LAT) OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 30, 1990 and Nov. 23, 1990 J. Latshaw purchased 34,271 shares at $7.88 to $27 each.

-30- 460
#90344c0266 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY CPO ASSOCIATES LP. OWNS 3,931,743 SHARES (20.40%) OF UNITED FASHIONS INC.(TICKER: UFAS) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Under an exchange agreement with certain shareholders of Americanino Capital Corp., United Fashions Inc. became obligated to issue to ACC shareholders 14,119,676 United Fashions Inc. common shares in exchange for an equal number of ACC shares. Such exchange resulted in a reduction in the percentage ownership of CPO Associates LP., et al. from 76.9 percent to 20.4 percent.

-30- 741
#90344c0267 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY BRADY ASSOCIATES OWNS 2,466,057 SHARES (19.20%) OF NORTEK INC. (TICKER: NTK) OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 23 and Nov. 29, 1990 Brady Associates, et al. purchased 67,400 shares at $2.38 to $2.50 per share and on Nov. 30, 1990 purchased 285,000 shares at $9.50 per share.

-30- 530
#90344c0269 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY ADVENT VI LP. OWNS 1,350,942 SHARES (13.06%) OF EMULEX CORP. (TICKER: EMLX) OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 24, 1990, McLane was granted options to buy 25,000 shares, of which one-third became exercisable on Nov. 27.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 485

#90344c0270 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Olympia and York Developments Ltd. announced on Nov. 27, 1990 that it wishes to proceed with a restructuring of Interhome Energy Inc.(TICKER: IHEI) which it believes will enhance shareholder value. On Nov. 26, 1999 Developments made a proposal to Interhome Energy Inc.'s board setting out terms of a spin-off of Interhome Energy Inc.'s Home Oil Co. Ltd. subsidiary to shareholders on a pro rata basis.

-30- 609
#90344c0272 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Utilities LTD.(TICKER: GWT) announced that it will receive payment on Dec. 14, 1990 of $915 million for its shares of The Consumers' Gas Co. Ltd. by tendering to the outstanding offer of British Gas plc to purchase all of the shares of Consumers. Utilities LTD. also announced that it has reached agreement with Gulf Canada Resources Ltd. on the terms of a shareholders' agreement and pipeline agreement governing the interest held by both companies in Interhome Energy Inc. The pipeline agreement will provide that following separation of Interhome's pipeline business and its oil and gas business, Home Oil Co. Ltd., Gulf will sell its 22.8 percent interest in Interhome to Utilities LTD. or a party designated by Utilities LTD.

-30- 963
#90344c0273 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

AUGUSTUS BERATUNG-UND BETEILIGUNGS AG OWNS 315,800 SHARES (6.70%) OF DIVERSIFIED INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: DMC) OF CLAYTON, MISSOURI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 9, 1990 to Dec. 6, Augustus Beratung-Und Beteiligungs AG bought 315,800 shares at $2.88 to $4.00 each.

PURPOSE:

To obtain an equity position.

-30- 535
#90344c0274 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY NORTH SUBSIDIARY CORP. OWNS 2,988,368 SHARES (94.60%) OF SAMNA CORP.(TICKER: SMNA) OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

2,988,368 shares have been tendered in the offer.

-30- 391
#90344c0275 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY D.T. SMITH OWNS 2,189,100 SHARES (7.60%) OF FIRST EXECUTIVE CORP. (TICKER: FEXC) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

D.T. Smith, et al. intend to review their investment on a continuing basis and may acquire additional shares or securities of First Executive Corp..

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 16, 1990 through Dec. 4, 1990, D.T. Smith, et al. purchased 874,311 shares at a price of $.38 to $.78 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 684
#90344c0276 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY W.V. TURNER OWNS 121,583 SHARES (6.29%) OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC.(TICKER: GSBC) OF SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 30, 1990, Mr. Turner entered into a restricted stock agreement under the Great Southern Bancorp Inc. 1989 stock option and incentive plan with respect to 30,000 shares of the common stock of Great Southern Bancorp Inc. The shares were granted to Mr. Turner as added inducement and compensation for performing the duties of chief executive officer and president of both Great Southern Bancorp Inc. and Great Southern Savings Bank.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 1 through Nov. 30, 1990 W.V. Turner, et al. acquired 7,000 shares at a price of $7 to $7.25 per share and 30,000 shares from the company at no other cost.

PURPOSE:

Inducement and compensatory shares.

-30- 1057
#90344c0278 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC. OWNS 1,743,709 SHARES (5.54%) OF KANEB SERVICES INC.(TICKER: KAB) OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 11, 1990 through Dec. 5, 1990, Gabelli Funds, et al. purchased 551,300 shares at a price of $3.63 to $4.60 per share, sold 30,000 shares at a price of $3.25 to $4.50 per share, and 20,000 shares were the results in change of dispositive power and beneficial ownership of Gamco Investors Inc.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 692
#90344c0279 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY PORTLAND GENERAL CORP. OWNS 12,361,206 SHARES (49.00%) OF BONNEVILLE PACIFIC CORP.(TICKER: BPCO) OF SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 23 through Dec. 4, 1990, Portland General Corp., et al. purchased 180,000 shares at a price of $3.94 to $4.44 per share.

-30- 510
#90344c0280 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY AMOS POLLARD & PARTNERS LP. OWNS 179,060 SHARES (1.00%) OF DIGITAL SOUND CORP.(TICKER: DGSD) OF CARPINTERIA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The address of Morton H. Meyerson and the 2M Companies is 4514 Cole Avenue, Suite 400, Dallas, Texas 75205.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 15, 1990 through Nov. 28, 1990, Amos Pollard & Partners LP, et al. sold 185,000 shares at a price of $1.50 to $1.75 per share.

-30- 639
#90344c0281 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY ODYSSEY PARTNERS LP. OWNS 278,800 SHARES (3.79%) OF MONARCH CAPITAL CORP.(TICKER: MON) OF SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The 350,000 shares were sold in a private transaction in order to recognize 1990 tax loss. Odyssey Partners LP, et al., effective Dec. 5, 1990, ceased to be the beneficial owners of more than five percent of the outstanding shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 5, 1990, Odyssey sold 350,000 shares for a cash price of $1.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 743
#90344c0282 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY TIGER OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 613,100 SHARES (6.59%) OF ALLIANT TECHSYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: ATK) OF MINNETONKA, MINNESOTA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 13, 1990 through Dec. 5, 1990, Tiger, et al. purchased 613,100 shares at a price of $10.07 to $11.12 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 523
#90344c0283 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Universal Medical Buildings Ltd. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol UMB. Trading was resumed at 13:40.

-30- 375
#90344c0284 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:46 that trade in National Enterprises Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE AMEX, ticker symbol NEI.

-30- 329
#90344c0286 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Enstar Indonesia has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol ESR. Trading was resumed at 14:58.

-30- 345
#90344c0287 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:24 that trade in Cumberland Federal Bancorporation (NASDAQ: CMBK) has been resumed. The first sale was 8 1/2; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 376
#90344c0288 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP. OWNS 965,600 SHARES (11.23%) OF EVANS & SUTHERLAND COMPUTER CORP.(TICKER: ESCC) OF SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 5 to Dec. 3, 1990, Harris Associates LP., et al. bought 104,700 shares at $15.76 to $18.22 each and sold 12,300 shares at $16.38 to $16.50 each. On Nov. 23, 5,200 shares were transferred out of a customer account.

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#90344c0290 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

R.M. GILLESPIE OWNS 1,803,481 SHARES (13.50%) OF DANIELSON HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: DHC).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Whitman Heffernan Rhein & Co. Inc. has agreed to infuse $3.11 million in cash into the company in return for 8.43 percent or 1.12 million common shares of the reorganized company. In August, Whitman Heffernan, a former creditor of Mission Insurance, agreed to buy the shares for $2.76 each. Mission Insurance is in the process of emerging from Chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganization. The company now owns a small operating insurer called North American Insurance Co. of California, which is based outside of Los Angeles. The rights offering has been concluded, and as a result of R.M. Gillespie assigning to WHR of any rights to acquire additional shares the interest of the Commissioner in the corporation has been diluted.

PURPOSE:

Conclusion of a rights offering.

-30- 1104
#90344c0291 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

K.G. PHILLIPS II OWNS 263,893 SHARES (5.00%) OF OAKWOOD HOMES CORP. (TICKER: OH) OF GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 1, 1990, Phillips was granted an option for 3,750 shares under the company's nonqualified stock option plan for non-employee directors.

PURPOSE:

Investment

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#90344c0292 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Nov. 26, 1990 Olympia & York Developments Ltd. said that having received expressions of interest from persons who are interest in acquiring control of the pipeline business of Interhome Energy Inc., it wishes to proceed with a restructuring of Interhome in order to enhance the value of the company to its shareholders. The Olympia & York Developments has made a proposal to the board of Interhome setting out the specific terms for a spin-off of Interhome's wholly-owned oil and gas subsidiary, Home Oil Co. Ltd. to Interhome shareholders on a pro rata basis. Gulf Canada Resources announced in a press release dated Nov. 26, 1990, that it has been advised that the Olympia & York Developments has placed before Interhome Energy's board specific terms for the spin-off of Home Oil Co. Ltd. to Interhome shareholders. Following the spin-off Gulf intends to examine a number of options with respect to its resultant 22.8 percent interest in Home. The Olympia & York Developments's proposal does not include a concurrent merger.

PURPOSE:

Spin-off proposal.

-30- 1339
#90344c0293 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 6, 1990, AT&T filed a motion in the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland in connection with the action entitled American Telephone and Telegraph Co. v. NCR Corp.(TICKER: NCR) moving for a temporary restraining order restraining the company, for a period of ten days from the date of the order, from commencing or prosecuting any judicial or administrative proceeding in any other forum other than the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland involving, or that would involve, any claims or counterclaims arising out of AT&T's attempt to acquire the company.

-30- 797
#90344c0296 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in National Enterprises Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol NEI. Trading was resumed at 15:30.

-30- 362
#90344c0297 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) COMTEX - Fearing the insurance industry is heading down the same regulatory road which produced the savings and loan debacle, Sen. Howard Metzenbaum (D-Ohio) opened a series of hearings today examining the solvency and soundness of insurers, declaring "state regulation is, in many cases, a mirage."

Metzenbaum, chairman of the Senate Antitrust subcommittee, said lax regulation losses in real estate, mortgage and junk bonds and "accounting gimmicks" may mask losses incurred by insurance companies.

"They (insurance industry) argue that junk bonds and troubled real estate and real estate mortgage assets represent only a small portion of the industry's assets," Metzenbaum said. "This is yet another thinly disguised attempt to dupe the public into believing their security blanket is not in jeopardy."

Today's hearing focused on whether accounting standards should be shifted from

a historical cost framework to a market-based method in which assets such as junk bonds and real estate would be pegged at their present value rather than being carried at their original cost.

Thomas Borman, Minnesota commisioner of commerce who is responsible for regulating his state's insurance, real estate and banking industries, is calling for state insurance commissioners to require insurers to mark their distressed real estate holdings to reflect current market value. Borman said this can be accomplished either by reserve or write-down in the carrying value of an asset.

The Securities and Exchange Commission believes banks and thrifts should be required to report their investment securities at market value, arguing this would allow regulators to much more clearly gauge the fiscal health of these institutions. However, the SEC is not presently seeking a change to market-based accounting for other type of assets such as loan portfolios and real estate holdings.

Congress delegated regulation of insurance companies to the states in 1945 to permit them to share actuarial information and the Ohio senator believes the industry should be returned to federal oversight.

This view runs contrary to Sen. Strom Thurmond (R-S.C.), a proponent of states' rights, who said "the federal government has no constitutional authority in the field of insurance."

Terence Lennon, representing the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, a group representing insurance regulatory officials of each state, agreed with Thurmond.

"I don't believe from what I've seen that federal S&L regulators have done nearly as good a job as (insurance) state regulators," Lennon said.

However, Borman believes the federal government could play a useful role. "What makes sense is the federal government playing a role in making tough standards and this would be administered by the states," Borman said. "The problem is getting policies and procedures adopted by the states."

The subcommittee invited six life insurance companies to testify today and none agreed. Metzenbaum contends the vast majority of troubled assets are now held by life insurance companies.

But the president of the American Council of Life Insurance wrote a letter to Metzenbaum saying his group would be willing to appear before the Senate panel. In his letter to Metzenbaum, Richard Schweiker, president of the trade group, said life insurance firms carry their bonds at book value because they have liabilities that are long-term and must match them with long-term assets.

"Some argue that recording bond values at market prices would provide a more accurate picture of the liquidation value of an insurance company's investment portfolio," Schweiker said in his letter. "But valuation of the asset side of a balance sheet cannot be separated from the liability side."

Metzenbaum said he will hold a series of hearings on the insurance industry next year to determine whether the public is properly protected by the way states regulate insurance companies and their investments.

-30- 4282
#90344c0298 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:56 that trade in Eagle-Picher Ind. Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol EPI.

-30- 329
#90344c0299 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M.E. ANDREWS OF 885 THIRD AVE, SUITE 1200, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 96,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO.(TICKER: AX) THROUGH VAN KASPER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 6, 1990.

(AMERICAN EXPLORATION CO. TEL: 713 237-0800)

-30- 438
#90344c0300 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C. GROOT OF 9516 HARDING AVE, EVANSTON, ILLINOIS 60203, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,800 SHARES OF OXEORO MEDICAL INTL INC. THROUGH HAYNE MILLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 4, 1990.

(OXEORO MEDICAL INTL INC. TEL: 612 884-7831)

-30- 407
#90344c0301 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT F JOHNSON OF 181 CHERRY VALLEY RD, PRINCETON, NJ 08540, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CYTOGEN CORP. (TICKER: CYTO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(CYTOGEN CORP. TEL: 609 987-8200)

-30- 405
#90344c0302 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN J CHIZZICK OF 3050 N LAKERIDGE TR, BOULDER, CO 80302, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(EXABYTE CORP. TEL: 303 442-4333)

-30- 399
#90344c0304 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROE H HATLEN OF 13141 HANNOVER CT, 0, APPLE VALLEY, MN 55124, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BUFFETS INC. (TICKER: BOCB) THROUGH WESSELS ARNOLD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(BUFFETS INC. TEL: 612 942-9760)

-30- 397
#90344c0305 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES ZELLER OF 92 GLENWOOD AVE, P O BOX 270, ONEIDA, NY 13421, HAS FILED TO SELL 430,300 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 386
#90344c0306 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES ZELLER OF 92 GLENWOOD AVE, P O BOX 270, ONEIDA, NY 13421, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 384
#90344c0307 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - JAMES ZELLER OF 92 GLENWOOD AVE, P O BOX 270, ONEIDA, NY 13421, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 384
#90344c0308 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES ZELLER OF 92 GLENWOOD AVE, P O BOX 270, ONEIDA, NY 13421, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 386
#90344c0309 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES ZELLER OF 92 GLENWOOD AVE, P O BOX 270, ONEIDA, NY 13421, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 384
#90344c0310 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES ZELLER OF 92 GLENWOOD AVE, P O BOX 270, ONEIDA, NY 13421, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 386
#90344c0312 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES ZELLER OF 92 GLENWOOD AVE, P O BOX 270, ONEIDA, NY 13421, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP.

THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 384
#90344c0313 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM B SNYDER OF GEICO CORPORATION, GEICO PLAZA, WASHINGTON, DC 20076 HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF GEICO CORP. (TICKER: GEC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(GEICO CORP. TEL: 301 986-3000)

-30- 400
#90344c0314 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FIRST INVESTMENT CAPITAL INC OF 505 EAST JACKSON ST, TAMPA, FL 33602, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF ASSIX INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: ASIX) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(ASSIX INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 813 224-0228)

-30- 453
#90344c0315 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J MCGINLEY OF 7444 W WILSON AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60656, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF METHODE ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: METH) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(METHODE ELECTRONICS INC. TEL: 312 867-9600)

-30- 431
#90344c0316 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILIP BERNSTEIN OF 21126 ESCONDIDO WAY, BOCA RATON, FL 33433, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(CROWN CRAFTS INC. TEL: 404 629-7941)

-30- 414
#90344c0317 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL H BERNSTEIN OF 975 CREST VALLEY DR, ATLANTA, GA 30327, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(CROWN CRAFTS INC. TEL: 404 629-7941)

-30- 416
#90344c0318 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEBORAH BERNSTEIN OF 5660 RIVER OAKS PLACE, ATLANTA, GA 30327, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CROWN CRAFTS INC. (TICKER: CRW) THROUGH WHEAT FIRST SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(CROWN CRAFTS INC. TEL: 404 629-7941)

-30- 414
#90344c0320 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOAN A GARDNER OF 2412 INGLESIDE 3A-B, CINCINNATI, OH 45206, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CINTAS CORP. (TICKER: CTAS) THROUGH PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(CINTAS CORP. TEL: 513 489-4000)

-30- 403
#90344c0321 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JUAN A RODRIGUEZ OF 4517 NAVAJO PLACE, BOULDER, CO 80303, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(EXABYTE CORP. TEL: 303 442-4333)

-30- 404
#90344c0322 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - DENNIS C KAKURES OF 6982 CORTE ANTONIO, PLEASANTON, CA 94566, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,500 SHARES OF MCGRATH RENTCORP. (TICKER: MGRC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(MCGRATH RENTCORP. TEL: 415 276-2626)

-30- 421
#90344c0323 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GORDON M BINDER OF 1840 DEHAVILLAND DR, THOUSAND OAKS, CA 91320, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,500 SHARES OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(AMGEN INC. TEL: 805 499-5725)

-30- 398
#90344c0324 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOXER OF 122 CLIPPER LANE, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 402
#90344c0325 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - REID W DENNIS OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, SUITE 2-290, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 67,855 SHARES OF SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SQNT) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 503 626-5700)

-30- 465
#90344c0326 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SOLARI-LANE TRUST OF P O BOX 900, WATSONVILLE, CA 95077, HAS FILED TO

SELL 40,000 SHARES OF GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC. (TICKER: GCCO) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC. TEL: 408 724-1011)

-30- 434
#90344c0328 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE A PURVIS OF 3899 S HARMON, FREMONT, MI 49412, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF GERBER PRODUCTS CO. (TICKER: GEB) THROUGH RONEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(GERBER PRODUCTS CO. TEL: 616 928-2000)

-30- 393
#90344c0329 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOMINIC T M HENG OF 1209 ORANGE ST, WILMINGTON, DE 19801, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED LOGIC RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: AALR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(ADVANCED LOGIC RESEARCH INC. TEL: 714 581-6770)

-30- 439
#90344c0330 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM E ALLAUN JR OF 705 MOBJACK PLACE, NEWPORT NEWS, VA 23606, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF TVX BROADCAST GROUP INC. (TICKER: TVXG) THROUGH LEGG MASON WOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(TVX BROADCAST GROUP INC. TEL: 804 499-9800)

-30- 437
#90344c0331 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN T MARTIN JR OF 7832 NORTH GRAHAM RD, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46250, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC. (TICKER: WHLS) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(WHOLESALE CLUB INC. TEL: 317 842-0351)

-30- 426
#90344c0332 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORMAN N BEHAR OF 4165 178TH LANE SE #306, 0, BELLEVUE, WA 98008, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS) THROUGH BATEMAN EICHLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(EGGHEAD INC. TEL: 206 391-0800)

-30- 400
#90344c0333 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOSACK OF 590 THIAN WAY, PALO ALTO, CA 94306, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 409
#90344c0334 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SANDRA K LERNER OF 1243 LAUREL ST #B, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 416
#90344c0336 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERNEST C ROBERG OF 7524 BROOKLYN PARK DR, 0, BROOKLYN PARK, MN 55444, HAS FILED TO SELL 42,500 SHARES OF CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. (TICKER: CESH) THROUGH CRAIG-HALLUM INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. TEL: 515 224-1995)

-30- 436
#90344c0337 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - JAY W CARLSON OF 6119 ARCTIC WAY, 0, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55436, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,250 SHARES OF CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. (TICKER: CESH) THROUGH CRAIG-HALLUM INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. TEL: 515 224-1995)

-30- 427
#90344c0338 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOXER OF 122 CLIPPER LANE, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 402
#90344c0339 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAKE CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST OF 103 SOUTH BEDFORD RD, MT KISCO, NY 10549, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF DNA PLANT TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: DNAP) THROUGH BAIRD PATRICK & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04 1990.

(DNA PLANT TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 914 241-4959)

-30- 480
#90344c0340 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUCE A PEACOCK OF 1885 PAGE PLACE, MALVERN, PA 19355, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CENTOCOR INC. (TICKER: CNTO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(CENTOCOR INC. TEL: 215 889-4505)

-30- 393
#90344c0341 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GENE LU OF 4 VIA GOLETA, SAN CLEMENTE, CA 92672, HAS FILED TO SELL

75,000 SHARES OF ADVANCED LOGIC RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: AALR) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(ADVANCED LOGIC RESEARCH INC. TEL: 714 581-6770)

-30- 427
#90344c0342 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN H FRIED OF 1238 MARTIN AVE, PALO ALTOS, CA 94301, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SYNTEX CORP. (TICKER: SYN) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(SYNTEX CORP. TEL: 415 855-5050)

-30- 388
#90344c0344 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY A AGRON OF 6950 EAST BELLEVIEW AVE, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN CREDIT OPTICAL INC. (TICKER: ACOI) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(AMERICAN CREDIT OPTICAL INC. TEL: 817 332-4008)

-30- 451
#90344c0345 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED W HART OF 45 CASCADE KEY, BELLEVUE, WA 98006, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF PHOENIX NETWORK INC. (TICKER: PHXN) THROUGH FINANCIAL NETWORK. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(PHOENIX NETWORK INC. TEL: 415 981-3000)

-30- 410
#90344c0346 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUMMIT VENTURES L P OF ONE BOSTON PLACE, BOSTON, MA 02108, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 398
#90344c0347 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAWK CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST OF 6120 ALDWICK DR, GARLAND, TX 75043, HAS FILED TO SELL 31,800 SHARES OF SPAGHETTI WAREHOUSE INC. (TICKER: SWH) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(SPAGHETTI WAREHOUSE INC. TEL: 214 226-6000)

-30- 470
#90344c0348 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TAYLOR WILLIAM O TRUST 1972 OF 5400 CARILLON POINT, KIRKLAND, WA 98033, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,623 SHARES OF MCCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS IN (TICKER: MCAW) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(MCCAW CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS IN TEL: 206 827-4500)

-30- 493
#90344c0349 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHAW VENTURE PARTNERS OF 111 S W FIFTH AVE #2200, PORTLAND, OR 97204, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 449
#90344c0350 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SHAW VENTURE PARTNERS OF 111 S W FIFTH AVE #2200, PORTLAND, OR 97204, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 449
#90344c0352 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MALCOLM H DAVIS OF ONE KENDALL SQUARE, BLDG #300, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139, HAS FILED TO SELL 28,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH D E WINE INVESTMENTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0555)

-30- 441
#90344c0353 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN T SUBAK OF 214 IVY LN, HAVERFORD, PA 19041, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF ROHM & HAAS CO. (TICKER: ROH) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(ROHM & HAAS CO. TEL: 215 592-2653)

-30- 388
#90344c0354 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS A BLAIR OF 844 HAMPTON RD, BOWLING GREEN, KY 42103, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF FISERV INC. (TICKER: FISV) THROUGH U S CLEARING CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(FISERV INC. TEL: 414 546-5000)

-30- 390
#90344c0355 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SWANSON ROBERT L TTEE OF 1639 MCCARTHY BLVD, MILPITAS, CA 95035, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 415 942-0810)

-30- 444

#90344c0356 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD GLIATES OF 80 KNOLLS CRESCENT, APT 2J, BRONX, NY 10463, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,600 SHARES OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS) THROUGH ERNST & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 201 731-9252)

-30- 426
#90344c0357 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL J TERRA OF 990 SKOKIE BLVD, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: LAW) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 312 498-4700)

-30- 422
#90344c0358 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL J TERRA OF 990 SKOKIE BLVD, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: LAW) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 312 498-4700)

-30- 422
#90344c0360 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS R ANTONE OF 201 VISTA DEL MONTE, LOS GATOS, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BORL) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(BORLAND INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 408 439-1849)

-30- 427
#90344c0361 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JUDITH A HEYBOER OF 1220 CHARLES STON RD, MTN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED

TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 696-9112)

-30- 398
#90344c0362 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 25, 1990, D.M. RUBIN, BEN. OWNER OF CENTURY LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CNTL) SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 332,500.

-30- 337
#90344c0363 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 1, 1990, J.W. BIESINGER, DIR. OF FIRST COMMONWEALTH FINL CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,476.

-30- 321
#90344c0364 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 27, 1990, DECOURSEY COMBS, PRES. OF LINCOLN INTERNATIONAL CORP. BOUGHT 3,028 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,301.

-30- 327
#90344c0365 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 19, 1990, TRIUMPH INTL OVERSEAS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NCC INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: NCDI) BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,529,522.

-30- 322
#90344c0366 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 16, 1990, R.A. FERRIGNO, DIR. OF OLDE WINDSOR BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,572.

-30- 305
#90344c0368 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, J.P. PENHUNE, DIV. OFFICER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $9.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,812.

-30- 346
#90344c0369 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 2, 1990 TO NOV. 5, 1990, H.L. JESKE, DIR. OF FOUNDATION HEALTH CORP.(TICKER: FH) BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 322
#90344c0370 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, S.D. TOUGH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FOUNDATION HEALTH CORP.(TICKER: FH) BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,200.

-30- 338
#90344c0371 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 28, 1990, AMBRO & CO, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. SOLD 565 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 352,906.

-30- 325
#90344c0372 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, R.G. BARKHOUSER, DIR. OF AMERICAN NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,856.

-30- 322
#90344c0373 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 20, 1990, L.A. HUDSON JR, DIR. OF AMERICAN NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,096.

-30- 318
#90344c0374 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, E.B. KENT JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,800.

-30- 339
#90344c0376 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, L.R. WYATT JR, DIR. OF AMERICAN NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. BOUGHT 130 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,764.

-30- 320
#90344c0377 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 26, 1990, K.D. GARNJOST, VP OF MOOG INC. (TICKER: MOG), SOLD 8,163 CLASS A SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90344c0378 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT. 2, 1990 TO OCT. 3, 1990, M.H. CHAWNER, OFFICER OF NEWBRIDGE NETWORKS CORP.(TICKER: NNXC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES FROM $4.20 TO $4.45 PER SHARE BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 356
#90344c0379 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 27, 1990, S.A. MINTZ, DIR. OF CENTRAL CORP. MONROE (LA) BOUGHT 1,932 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,798.

-30- 301
#90344c0380 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 08, 1990, KEITH C HARTMAN, OFFICER OF ASSOCIATED COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ACCM), SOLD 3,900 SHARES FROM $17.00 TO $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,580.

-30- 374
#90344c0381 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, WILLIAM WRIGLEY, DIR. OF AMERICAN HOME PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: AHP), BOUGHT 550 SHARES AT $49.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,550.

-30- 318
#90344c0382 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, WILLIAM WRIGLEY, DIR. OF AMERICAN HOME PRODUCTS CORP. (TICKER: AHP), SOLD 550 SHARES AT $49.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,614.

-30- 325
#90344c0384 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, ROBERT C WINTERS, DIR. OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,400.

-30- 308
#90344c0385 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, RAYMOND F BADDOUR, DIR. OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $49.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,300.

-30- 299
#90344c0386 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, GORDON M BINDER, OFFICER OF AMGEN INC.

(TICKER: AMGN), SOLD 7,000 SHARES FROM $52.50 TO $54.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 136,416.

-30- 338
#90344c0387 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 22, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, AMERITRUST CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERITRUST CORP. (TICKER: AMTR), BOUGHT 52,156 SHARES FROM $10.25 TO $11.64 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,684,599.

-30- 365
#90344c0388 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 25, 1990 TO NOV 01, 1990, AMERITRUST CORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERITRUST CORP. (TICKER: AMTR), SOLD 4,895 SHARES FROM $9.63 TO $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,684,599.

-30- 356
#90344c0389 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, H ROBERT POWELL, SHAREHOLDER OF AON CORP. (TICKER: AOC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $35.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,137.

-30- 307
#90344c0390 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, ERVIN F LYON, DIR. OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC), SOLD 40,000 SHARES FROM $17.00 TO $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 565,004.

-30- 367
#90344c0392 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, GLENN W MARSCHEL JR, OFFICER OF AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC. (TICKER: AUD), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $53.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,037.

-30- 349
#90344c0393 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, JOHN G OWENS, DIR. OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 199,800.

-30- 320
#90344c0394 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, CHARLES A ZRAKET, DIR. OF BANK OF BOSTON CORP. (TICKER: BKB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,300.

-30- 319
#90344c0395 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, HILDEBERT F CRISTE, CHAIRMAN OF BANK MARYLAND CORP. (TICKER: BKMD), BOUGHT 17,389 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 152,441.

-30- 329
#90344c0396 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, HILDEBERT F CRISTE, CHAIRMAN OF BANK MARYLAND CORP. (TICKER: BKMD), BOUGHT 44,500 SHARES FROM $3.25 TO $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 152,441.

-30- 340
#90344c0397 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, PAUL K DELL, DIR. OF BANK MARYLAND CORP. (TICKER: BKMD), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,144.

-30- 306
#90344c0398 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, E NEIL JACOBS, PRES. OF BANK MARYLAND CORP. (TICKER: BKMD), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 306
#90344c0400 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, RALPH A EATZ, OFFICER AND DIR. OF IMMUCOR INC. (TICKER: BLUD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 107,733.

-30- 324
#90344c0401 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, PETER H TREMBATH, VP OF BMC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BMC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 296
#90344c0402 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, ROBERT A PUDLAK, OFFICER OF A.L. LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BMD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250.

-30- 324
#90344c0403 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, THOMAS H KEAN, DIR. OF BENEFICIAL CORP. (TICKER: BNL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $41.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 677.

-30- 296
#90344c0404 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 23, 1990, FRANK A RILEY, DIR. OF BANCORP OF MISSISSIPPI INC. (TICKER: BOMS), BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,101.

-30- 327

#90344c0405 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAY 10, 1990 TO OCT 15, 1990, GLENN S SUPLEE, DIR. OF BELL SAVINGS HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: BSBX), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES FROM $1.38 TO $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 358
#90344c0406 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, BERNARD W REZNICEK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BOSTON EDISON CO. (TICKER: BSE), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,466.

-30- 341
#90344c0408 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, CHARLES N FANGMAN, VP OF CATERPILLAR INC. (TICKER: CAT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $40.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,968.

-30- 301
#90344c0409 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, ALAN E RIEDEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COOPER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CBE), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 78,776.

-30- 345
#90344c0410 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 12, 1990, MONTE R STORY, DIR. OF CB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBFC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,398.

-30- 308
#90344c0411 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, HARRY B BROCK JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF

CENTRAL BANCSHARES OF THE SOUTH INC. (TICKER: CBSS), BOUGHT 221 SHARES FROM $13.38 TO $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 572,040.

-30- 398
#90344c0412 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, GEORGE V AUSTIN II, OFFICER OF CHEMDESIGN CORP. (TICKER: CDCC), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,912.

-30- 318
#90344c0413 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, EDWARD G NAJJAR, DIR. OF CHEMDESIGN CORP. (TICKER: CDCC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,065.

-30- 310
#90344c0414 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, JOHN D DALY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE COLUMBIA GAS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CG), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $49.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 347
#90344c0416 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, JOHN M MOUNT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CHEMED CORP. (TICKER: CHE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,482.

-30- 313
#90344c0417 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, RICHARD J CENSISTS, DIR. OF CHECKPOINT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHEK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 291

#90344c0418 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, PAUL G HAWKEN, DIR. OF CHALONE INC. (TICKER: CHLN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES FROM $7.50 TO $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,085.

-30- 327
#90344c0419 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1987, STANLEY P HALBERT, DIR. OF CRAFTMATIC/CONTOUR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRCC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 336
#90344c0420 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1987, STANLEY P HALBERT, DIR. OF CRAFTMATIC/CONTOUR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRCC), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,400.

-30- 338
#90344c0421 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, LOUIS B SULLIVAN, DIR. OF COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: CRV), BOUGHT 2,100 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,970.

-30- 339
#90344c0422 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, JOHN E TURCO, DIR. OF COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: CRV), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES FROM $2.00 TO $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 202,192.

-30- 362
#90344c0424 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, STEVE R PIERCE, VP OF CRSS INC. (TICKER: CRX), SOLD 3,496 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,780.

-30- 288
#90344c0425 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, RICHARD D IRWIN, DIR. OF COMMUNICATIONS TRANSMISSION INC. (TICKER: CTIA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,448.

-30- 343
#90344c0426 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, HORST KARL KUEHNER, VP OF CUMMINS ENGINE CO. (TICKER: CUM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,050.

-30- 307
#90344c0427 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, DAVID J NACE, VP OF CHILD WORLD INC. (TICKER: CWLD), SOLD 3,766 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90344c0428 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, WILLIAM C ERXLEBEN, DIR. OF DATA I/O CORP. (TICKER: DAIO), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,300.

-30- 310
#90344c0429 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, LYNN E WEAVER, DIR. OF DBA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DBAS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 305
#90344c0430 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, GARY B RUSSELL, SHAREHOLDER OF DELTA COMPUTEC INC. (TICKER: DCIS), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $0.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,600.

-30- 332
#90344c0432 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, MICHAEL S DELL, CHAIRMAN OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL), SOLD 4,400 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 143,511.

-30- 322
#90344c0433 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, MAGALEN O BRYANT, DIR. OF DOVER CORP. (TICKER: DOV), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $35.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,230,328.

-30- 300
#90344c0434 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, CHARLES P DRIVER, VP OF DIXIE YARNS INC. (TICKER: DXYN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,822.

-30- 303
#90344c0435 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, WILLIAM E SAGAN, PRES. OF EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS INC. (TICKER: EBPI), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 131,667.

-30- 336
#90344c0436 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, S STANLEY FISCHMAN, PRES. OF ELECTRONICS MISSILES & COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: ECIN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,300.

-30- 364
#90344c0437 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 02, 1990, GEORGE R GIBSON, DIR. OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES FROM $4.88 TO $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,200.

-30- 328
#90344c0438 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, CURTIS L HOSKINS, VP OF EL PASO ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: ELPA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 316
#90344c0440 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, S WALTER RICHEY, DIR. OF FIRST BANK SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FBS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,937.

-30- 313
#90344c0441 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, DANIEL C ROHR, OFFICER OF FIRST BANK SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: FBS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES FROM $11.50 TO $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 352
#90344c0442 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 26, 1990 TO NOV 07, 1990, RICHARD L ANTONINI, PRES. OF FOREMOST CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: FCOA), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES FROM $14.94 TO $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,730.

-30- 364
#90344c0443 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, JOHN F KNIGHT, DIR. OF FOREMOST CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: FCOA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 324
#90344c0444 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, PAUL D YARED, VP OF FOREMOST CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: FCOA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,022.

-30- 314
#90344c0445 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 08, 1990 TO OCT 12, 1990, CHARLES T KOEHLER, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,950.

-30- 352
#90344c0446 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, CHARLES T KOEHLER, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,050.

-30- 336
#90344c0448 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ANDREW W WILLIAMS, DIR. OF FLORAFAX INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FIIF), BOUGHT 60,700 SHARES AT $0.27 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 119,300.

-30- 331
#90344c0449 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ANDREW W WILLIAMS, DIR. OF FLORAFAX INTERNATIONAL INC.

(TICKER: FIIF), BOUGHT 55,000 SHARES AT $0.26 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 151,400.

-30- 333
#90344c0450 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM APR 14, 1990 TO APR 16, 1990, JACK S PETRIK, DIR. OF FANSTEEL INC. (TICKER: FNL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES FROM $9.00 TO $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 327
#90344c0451 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, TOM KRAMER, OFFICER OF FOOTHILL INDEPENDENT BANCORP. (TICKER: FOOT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 334
#90344c0452 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, MILTON PORTER, OFFICER OF FOSTER (L.B.) CO. (TICKER: FSTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,264.

-30- 315
#90344c0453 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, KEVIN J MIGDAL, VP OF GOODMARK FOODS INC. (TICKER: GDMK), SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 306
#90344c0454 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, EDWARD H HOORNSTRA, DIR. OF GENERAL HOST CORP. (TICKER: GH), BOUGHT 58,250 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 278,971.

-30- 320
#90344c0456 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, MARINA V N WHITMAN, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 2,863 SHARES AT $37.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,990.

-30- 317
#90344c0457 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, MARINA V N WHITMAN, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 2,863 SHARES AT $37.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,990.

-30- 314
#90344c0458 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, MARINA V N WHITMAN, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 2,022 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,244.

-30- 314
#90344c0459 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 13, 1990, MARINA V N WHITMAN, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 1,619 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,311.

-30- 314
#90344c0460 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, ROBERT A GIBBONS, DIR. OF BANK OF GRANITE CORP. (TICKER: GRAN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,075.

-30- 317
#90344c0461 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, MICHAEL C HAWLEY, VP OF THE GILLETTE CO. (TICKER: GS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $57.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 299
#90344c0462 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, JOSEPH E MULLANEY, DIR. OF THE GILLETTE CO. (TICKER: GS), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $58.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,070.

-30- 306
#90344c0464 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JAMES P CURLEY, OFFICER OF GANTOS INC. (TICKER: GTOS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 302
#90344c0465 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, SIDNEY R UNOBSKEY, DIR. OF GANTOS INC. (TICKER: GTOS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 301
#90344c0466 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, DEANNA F CHRISTENSEN, OFFICER OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC), SOLD 6,880 SHARES AT $4.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,040.

-30- 334
#90344c0467 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 08, 1990, JEFF J FISHMAN, PRES. OF GRAND VALLEY GAS CO. (TICKER: GVGC), SOLD 50,000 SHARES FROM $4.67 TO $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 792,000.

-30- 354
#90344c0468 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF GREATER WASHINGTON INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: GWA), BOUGHT 68,200 SHARES FROM $2.00 TO $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,510,406.

-30- 389
#90344c0469 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JAMES M BAISLEY, VP OF GRAINGER (W.W.) INC. (TICKER: GWW), SOLD 140 SHARES AT $60.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 305
#90344c0470 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, WILLIAM E KREGER, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANKCORP INC. (MI) (TICKER: HEBC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,155.

-30- 332
#90344c0472 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, FRANK KINNETT, DIR. OF HARRIS & HARRIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: HHGP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 331
#90344c0473 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, ERNEST L WILLIAMSON, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,530.

-30- 314
#90344c0474 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, BARRY NOAH HEIMLICH, CHAIRMAN OF HIMEDICS INC. (TICKER: HMED), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.91 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 117,000.

-30- 321
#90344c0475 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, ELLEN K HEIMLICH, OFFICER OF HIMEDICS INC. (TICKER: HMED), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.91 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 209,500.

-30- 316
#90344c0476 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 26, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, SHOU CHEN YIH, CHAIRMAN OF HYTEK MICROSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: HTEK), SOLD 25,200 SHARES FROM $0.25 TO $0.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 206,400.

-30- 358
#90344c0477 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 17, 1990, MARY R BRUCE, VP OF HOUGHTON MIFFLIN CO. (TICKER: HTN), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75.

-30- 300
#90344c0478 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ANTHONY J GUMBINER, DIR. OF HALLWOOD ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: HWEC), SOLD 1,920 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90344c0480 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, INTER-REGIONAL STK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF INTER REGIONAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: IFG), BOUGHT 42,400 SHARES AT $5.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,094,806.

-30- 370
#90344c0481 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, DONALD A LESCH, DIR. OF INDIANA FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: IFSL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,300.

-30- 316
#90344c0482 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, WILBUR K KEATING, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL GAME TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: IGAM), BOUGHT 105 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 291.

-30- 327
#90344c0483 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, STEVEN L BECHMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF INDIANA BANCSHARES INC (TICKER: INBK), BOUGHT 4,961 SHARES AT $10.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,438.

-30- 349
#90344c0484 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, JERRY R ENGLE, PRES. OF INDIANA BANCSHARES INC (TICKER: INBK), BOUGHT 6,615 SHARES AT $10.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,188.

-30- 323
#90344c0485 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 16, 1990 TO NOV 23, 1990, ROBERT G BUTCHER JR, CHAIRMAN OF INVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INVF), SOLD 50,000 SHARES FROM $0.70 TO $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 118,846.

-30- 371
#90344c0486 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, ROBERT G BUTCHER JR, CHAIRMAN OF INVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INVF), SOLD 2,090 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 175.

-30- 338
#90344c0488 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, MICHAEL E SCHULTZ, DIR. OF INTELOGIC TRACE INC. (TICKER: IT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,500.

-30- 315
#90344c0489 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, WILLIAM G WOLFE, VP OF ITEL CORP. (TICKER: ITL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,066.

-30- 284
#90344c0490 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, PHILLIP FROST, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX), BOUGHT 29,400 SHARES FROM $9.38 TO $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,461,810.

-30- 357
#90344c0491 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, WILLIAM C MARKLEY III, VP OF JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEC), SOLD 1,320 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 300
#90344c0492 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, DONALD R CALKINS, PRES. OF JRM HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: JRMX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 319
#90344c0493 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, MEYER COMPANY THE, BEN. OWNER OF JRM HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: JRMX), SOLD 355,900 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 204,551.

-30- 327
#90344c0494 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, H F MEYER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF JRM HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: JRMX), SOLD 355,900 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 199,551.

-30- 341
#90344c0496 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, RAYMOND A LEBLANC, CHAIRMAN OF KEYSTONE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: KII), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,581.

-30- 335
#90344c0497 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, RAYMOND B CAREY JR, DIR. OF THE KROGER CO. (TICKER: KR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,340.

-30- 301
#90344c0498 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, RONALD S KONECKY, DIR. OF KING WORLD PRODUCTIONS INC. (TICKER: KWP), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 332
#90344c0499 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, JAMES R KILLPACK, DIR. OF LDI CORP. (TICKER: LDIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 292
#90344c0500 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, RICHARD P WOLLENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF LONGVIEW FIBRE CO. (TICKER: LFB), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 227,079.

-30- 334
#90344c0501 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, WILLIAM C DORRIS, DIR. OF LILLY INDUSTRIAL COATING INC. (TICKER: LICI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,711.

-30- 332
#90344c0502 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, JOHN F BARRON, OFFICER OF LIBERTY NATL BANCORP INC.(KY) (TICKER: LNBC), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 530.

-30- 333
#90344c0504 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JULIUS S YOUNG JR, DIR. OF LSB BANCSHARES INC. (NC) (TICKER: LXBK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,982.

-30- 327
#90344c0505 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, GERALD W SIMONSON, DIR. OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT), SOLD 300 SHARES FROM $87.25 TO $87.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 315
#90344c0506 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, RICHARD W YOUNG, DIR. OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,100.

-30- 310
#90344c0507 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, RUSSELL J KUNKEL, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,618.

-30- 323
#90344c0508 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, MICHAEL S STARNES, CHAIRMAN OF M.S. CARRIERS INC. (TICKER: MSCA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,838,156.

-30- 331
#90344c0509 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 29, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, DAVID F MARQUARDT, DIR. OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 25,000 SHARES FROM $70.88 TO $72.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,562.

-30- 344
#90344c0510 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, RICHARD D IRWIN, CHAIRMAN OF MOUNTAIN MEDICAL EQUIPMENT INC. (TICKER: MTN), SOLD 20,200 SHARES FROM $2.50 TO $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,700.

-30- 358
#90344c0512 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, WILLIAM H PRESTAGE, DIR. OF NORTH CAROLINA NATURAL GAS CORP. (TICKER: NCNG), BOUGHT 510 SHARES AT $20.71 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 3,210.

-30- 347
#90344c0513 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, TORCHMARK CORP, BEN. OWNER OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,171,883.

-30- 327
#90344c0514 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, TORCHMARK CORP, BEN. OWNER OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 15,300 SHARES FROM $9.25 TO $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,187,183.

-30- 355
#90344c0515 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 31, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, UNITED INVESTORS MGMT CO, BEN. OWNER OF NUEVO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: NEV), BOUGHT 40,300 SHARES FROM $9.25 TO $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,000.

-30- 361
#90344c0516 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JAN 16, 1990 TO SEP 26, 1990, HOWARD B DAYTON, VP OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THRIFT BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: NHTB), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES FROM $3.25 TO $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 376
#90344c0517 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JAMES H CAMERON, DIR. OF NATIONAL GAS & OIL CO. (TICKER: NLG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,312.

-30- 320
#90344c0518 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JOHN G BUXBAUM, VP OF NICHOLS RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: NRES), SOLD 750 SHARES AT $8.24 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 850.

-30- 309
#90344c0520 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, CHARLES F LOFTY, VP OF NICHOLS RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: NRES), SOLD 1,177 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 277
#90344c0521 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, ROY J NICHOLS, PRES. OF NICHOLS RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: NRES), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 463,400.

-30- 324
#90344c0522 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, RICHARD L BREADY, PRES. OF NORTEK INC. (TICKER: NTK), BOUGHT 11,730 SHARES FROM $2.38 TO $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 156,704.

-30- 340
#90344c0523 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, OPTICAL COATING LAB ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF OPTICAL COATING LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: OCLI), BOUGHT 1,194 SHARES FROM $4.00 TO $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,607,451.

-30- 393
#90344c0524 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, HUGH W GORDON, DIR. OF O.I. CORP. (TICKER: OICO), SOLD

2,500 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 291
#90344c0525 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, DONALD R BRATTAIN, DIR. OF ORTHOMET INC. (TICKER: OMET), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,500.

-30- 307
#90344c0526 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, THOMAS A WISKOW, PRES. OF ORTHOMET INC. (TICKER: OMET), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,440.

-30- 304
#90344c0528 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JOHN W KESSLER, DIR. OF BANC ONE CORP. (TICKER: ONE), SOLD 26,600 SHARES FROM $24.75 TO $24.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,700.

-30- 317
#90344c0529 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, JOHN L D PAYNE, DIR. OF ONE VALLEY BANCORP OF WEST VIRGINIA INC. (TICKER: OVWV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 216,963.

-30- 358
#90344c0530 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 20, 1990, JEROME FALIC, DIR. OF PARLUX FRAGRANCES INC. (TICKER: PARL), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 316
#90344c0531 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, DANIEL J MASSARELLI, CHAIRMAN OF PAMRAPO BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PBCI), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,390.

-30- 334
#90344c0532 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, WILLIAM T WEYERHAEUSER, DIR. OF POTLATCH CORP. (TICKER: PCH), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $24.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,719.

-30- 316
#90344c0533 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, WALLACE V HORNBACKER, DIR. OF PEOPLES FEDERAL SVGS BANK DEKALB CNTY(IN) (TICKER: PFDC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 922.

-30- 367
#90344c0534 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JOHN C THRAPP, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PEOPLES FEDERAL SVGS BANK DEKALB CNTY(IN) (TICKER: PFDC), BOUGHT 2,366 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,772.

-30- 389
#90344c0536 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, JAMES K GOODWIN, OFFICER OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 2,400 SHARES AT $81.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,265.

-30- 323
#90344c0537 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, EDWARD D ZINBARG, AFFILIATED PERSON OF

GLOBAL YIELD FUND INC. (TICKER: PGY), SOLD 600 SHARES FROM $8.50 TO $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,400.

-30- 371
#90344c0538 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 14, 1990 TO OCT 15, 1990, AMERICA UNIHEALTH, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFICARE HEALTH SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PHSY), BOUGHT 374,500 SHARES FROM $14.25 TO $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,484,500.

-30- 391
#90344c0539 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 17, 1989, AMERICA UNIHEALTH, BEN. OWNER OF PACIFICARE HEALTH SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PHSY), SOLD 1,085,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,110,000.

-30- 364
#90344c0540 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUL 14, 1989 TO MAR 09, 1990, MICHAEL J DOWNEY, DIR. OF PRUDENTIAL INTERMEDIATE INCOME FUND INC. (TICKER: PIF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES FROM $7.75 TO $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 385
#90344c0541 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, EUNICE N LUNSFORD, OFFICER OF PIONEER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PION), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90344c0542 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, H DOUGLAS NEILL, VP OF PIONEER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PION), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 309

#90344c0544 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, STEVEN C WALSKE, PRES. OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC), SOLD 16,000 SHARES FROM $22.00 TO $24.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 224,000.

-30- 366
#90344c0545 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, H KENT PETZOLD, VP OF PANSOPHIC SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PNS), SOLD 390 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90344c0546 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, J M SAMPER, SHAREHOLDER OF PACIFICORP (TICKER: PPW), SOLD 2,063 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 171.

-30- 305
#90344c0547 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, GERARD DESMARAIS, OFFICER OF QUEBECOR INC. (TICKER: PQB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90344c0548 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, KIM I MELTZER, VP OF PRICE COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: PR), SOLD 6,500 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,526.

-30- 318
#90344c0549 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, WILLIAM L WALL, VP OF PIONEER BANCORP INC.(NC) (TICKER: PSBN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,799.

-30- 311
#90344c0550 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 08, 1990, STEPHEN M BERKLEY, CHAIRMAN OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM), SOLD 17,022 SHARES FROM $18.00 TO $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,875.

-30- 345
#90344c0552 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, FRANK J DONATO, CHAIRMAN OF SEVEN OAKS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: QPON), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,312.

-30- 335
#90344c0553 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, FRANK J DONATO, CHAIRMAN OF SEVEN OAKS INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: QPON), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,661.

-30- 333
#90344c0554 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, DENNIS J OLEARY, OFFICER OF RELIANCE GROUP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: REL), SOLD 7,500 SHARES FROM $4.88 TO $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,500.

-30- 347
#90344c0555 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, GERALD E MAGNUSON, SHAREHOLDER OF RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: RESR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 313
#90344c0556 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, FREDERICK L BRENGEL, DIR. OF REXWORKS INC. (TICKER: REXW), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 311
#90344c0557 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, CLIFFORD M KIRTLAND JR, DIR. OF REALTY SOUTH INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: RSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES FROM $3.00 TO $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 349
#90344c0558 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, DONALD L HOYLMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SALEM CORP. (TICKER: SBS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,300.

-30- 319
#90344c0560 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOHN C MORRIS, PRES. OF SEAHAWK DEEP OCEAN TECHN INC. (TICKER: SDOT), SOLD 400,000 SHARES AT $0.32 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,817,799.

-30- 343
#90344c0561 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, WARREN V MUSSER, CHAIRMAN OF SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC. (TICKER: SFE), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 526,366.

-30- 337
#90344c0562 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 08, 1990, WARREN V MUSSER, CHAIRMAN OF SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC. (TICKER: SFE), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 526,366.

-30- 357
#90344c0563 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JANET E BERGMAN, VP OF SARA LEE CORP. (TICKER: SLE), SOLD 420 SHARES AT $29.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,239.

-30- 294
#90344c0564 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, FRANK G PONCHAK, VP OF SOCIETY CORP. (TICKER: SOCI), SOLD 2,848 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 262
#90344c0565 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, EDWARD K PAYNE, VP OF SERVICE CORP. INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SRV), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,364.

-30- 307
#90344c0566 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 03, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, WILLIAM B BENACK, DIR. OF STATE BANCORP INC.(N.Y.) (TICKER: STBC), BOUGHT 1,225 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,034.

-30- 358
#90344c0568 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, JAMES J SPILKER JR, CHAIRMAN OF STANFORD TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: STII), BOUGHT 8,080 SHARES FROM $4.63 TO $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 649,922.

-30- 383
#90344c0569 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, SUE STROBER, BEN. OWNER OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), BOUGHT 265,720 SHARES AT $7.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 537,880.

-30- 343
#90344c0570 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, SUE STROBER, BEN. OWNER OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), SOLD 2,440,862 SHARES AT $7.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 521,339.

-30- 348
#90344c0571 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, SAMMIE L GINN, DIR. OF TRANSAMERICA CORP. (TICKER: TA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 305
#90344c0572 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, HELMUT F STERN, DIR. OF TRIMAS CORP. (TICKER: TMAS), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES FROM $12.63 TO $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 134,000.

-30- 333
#90344c0573 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, YETTA G SAMFORD JR, DIR. OF TORCHMARK CORP. (TICKER: TMK), SOLD 25,000 SHARES FROM $47.00 TO $47.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 193,418.

-30- 325
#90344c0574 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JOHN M FRANCK, PRES. OF TULTEX CORP. (TICKER: TTX), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 67,853.

-30- 300
#90344c0576 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, FREDERICK F JENNY, VP OF UNISYS CORP. (TICKER: UIS), SOLD 6,822 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,831.

-30- 294
#90344c0577 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, DONALD E LEWIS, VP OF UJB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UJB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,280.

-30- 304
#90344c0578 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, METPATH INC, BEN. OWNER OF UNILAB CORP. (TICKER: ULAB), BOUGHT 333,333 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,333,333.

-30- 321
#90344c0579 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 12, 1990, JAMES P BRYAN, AFFILIATED PERSON OF UNITED INVESTORS MANAGEMENT CO. (TICKER: UTD), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 328
#90344c0580 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, FRANK J CAUFIELD, DIR. OF VERIFONE INC. (TICKER: VFIC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 310
#90344c0581 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 21,400 SHARES FROM $17.00 TO $24.38 PER

SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,784,914.

-30- 360
#90344c0582 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 24,900 SHARES FROM $15.25 TO $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,933,814.

-30- 348
#90344c0584 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, SUMNER M REDSTONE, CHAIRMAN OF VIACOM INC. (TICKER: VIA), BOUGHT 24,900 SHARES FROM $15.25 TO $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,933,814.

-30- 350
#90344c0585 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, LARRY R CARTER, VP OF VLSI TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: VLSI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,348.

-30- 313
#90344c0586 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM APR 20, 1989 TO NOV 12, 1990, JOHN E DIMITRUK, OFFICER OF VERMONT RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: VRE), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES FROM $0.88 TO $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,200.

-30- 357
#90344c0587 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, MARTIN E KANTOR, CHAIRMAN OF WESTBRIDGE CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: WBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 794,394.

-30- 332
#90344c0588 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, THEODORE J DOLL, PRES. OF WASHINGTON BANCORP. (TICKER: WBNC), BOUGHT 14,300 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,000.

-30- 340
#90344c0589 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, THEODORE J DOLL, PRES. OF WASHINGTON BANCORP. (TICKER: WBNC), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 322
#90344c0590 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, THEODORE DOLL JR, DIR. OF WASHINGTON BANCORP. (TICKER: WBNC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,857.

-30- 335
#90344c0592 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 15, 1990, MARTIN D GRUSS, SHAREHOLDER OF WHITTAKER CORP. (TICKER: WKR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $10.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 797,800.

-30- 321
#90344c0593 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, HERBERT H LYON, DIR. OF WOLOHAN LUMBER CO. (TICKER: WLHN), BOUGHT 570 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 308
#90344c0594 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, WILLIAM T CASPERS, DIR. OF WESCO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WSC), SOLD 200 SHARES FROM $42.13 TO $42.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,900.

-30- 346
#90344c0595 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, GERALD E MAGNUSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WASHINGTON SCIENTIFIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WSCI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,500.

-30- 364
#90344c0596 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

TRANSAMERICA COMMERCIAL FINANCE CORP. OWNS 297,493 SHARES (4.90%) OF ALLIED PRODUCTS CORP.(TICKER: ADP) OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On June 16, Oct. 2 and Nov. 30, 1990 Allied Products Corp. exercised its option under a dividend payment agreement relating to Allied Products Corp. preferred shares with Transamerica Commercial Finance Corp. by issuing shares of common stock in lieu of paying a cash dividend and/or redemption payments. On Nov. 30, 1990 Allied Products Corp. issued to Transamerica Commercial Finance Corp. 307,468 common shares in connection with the agreement.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 18 and Dec. 7, 1990 Transamerica Commercial Finance Corp. sold 255,498 shares at $2.95 to $3.78 per share.

-30- 963
#90344c0597 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.A. SKIER OWNS 2,075,000 SHARES (%) OF EYE TECHNOLOGY INC.(TICKER: EYTK) OF ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

D.A. Skier has purchased 335,000 shares of Eye Technology Inc.(TICKER EYTK) at undisclosed prices.

-30- 492
#90344c0598 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP. OWNS 1,429,155 SHARES (12.05%) OF THE TORO CO.(TICKER: TTC) OF BLOOMINGTON, MINNESOTA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 1-28, 1990 Harris Associates LP, et al. purchased 86,600 shares at $11.76 to $12.76 per share and sold 235,600 shares at $11.26 to $13.26 per share. Between Nov. 2-23, 1990 19,500 shares were transferred out of accounts managed by Harris Associates LP, et al.

-30- 631
#90344c0600 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

WHITMAN HEFFERNAN RHEIN & CO. INC. OWNS 1,127,098 SHARES (8.43%) OF DANIELSON HOLDING CORP.(TICKER: DHC) OF GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Whitman Heffernan Rhein&Co. Inc. is entitled to purchase 1,127,098 Danielson Holding Corp. shares on or before Jan. 10, 1991 under the terms of a stand-by purchase agreement dated Aug. 15, 1990 between Danielson Holding Corp. and the Whitman Heffernan Rhein&Co. Inc. at a purchase price of $2.76 per share.

PURPOSE:

Stand-by agreement.

-30- 721
#90344c0601 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY SOUTHERN STRATEGIC PARTNERS LP. OWNS 322,800 SHARES (7.60%) OF RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE INVESTMENTS INC.(TICKER: RMI) OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 20-28, 1990 Southern Strategic Partners LP. purchased 111,300 shares at $1.50 to $1.75 per share.

-30- 505
#90344c0602 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

J.D. WELL OWNS 177,000 SHARES (7.02%) OF OGLEBAY NORTON CO.(TICKER: OGLE) OF CLEVELAND, OHIO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 16 and Dec. 5, 1990 J.D. Well purchased 16,200 shares at $31.63 to $31.75 per share.

-30- 414
#90344c0603 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY KIRBELLA PTY LTD. OWNS 617,500 SHARES (6.95%) OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESEARCH CORP.(TICKER: ACRC) OF FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Under the joint venture termination agreement dated Sept. 19, 1990 between Elders, ACR and ICF Kaiser Engineers Group Inc., as amended Oct. 15, 1990 and the ACR share subscription agreement dated as of Oct. 15, 1990 between ACR and Kirbella on Nov. 30, 1990 ACR issued 617,500 class A common shares to Kirbella. In exchange for the class A shares, Kirbella gave to the issuer 100 ordinary shares and 1,000 convertible redeemable participating preference shares representing a 50 percent interest in Contralto Ltd. and 50 percent of

the share capital of Kaiser Engineers Australia Pty. Ltd. Kirbella granted to ACR an irrevocable transferable option to purchase all but not less than all of the shares owned at the time by Kirbella at an aggregate purchase price of $11.5 million at any time to and including June 28, 1991.

PURPOSE:

Joint venture agreement.

-30- 1246
#90344c0604 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

S.B. Soroko, et al. have ceased to hold any of the Opticorp. Inc.'s (TICKER: LOOK) preferred shares as a result of the conversion.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 28, 1990 the S.B. Soroko, et al. converted all of the 10,000 preferred shares held by them into 40,000 Opticorp. Inc. common shares.

-30- 490
#90344c0605 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY FARALLON CAPITAL MANAGEMENT PARTNERS LP. OWNS 1,095,641 SHARES (22.70%) OF BRNF LIQUIDATING TRUST (TICKER: BRNB) OF WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 6-29 Farallon Capital Management Partners LP., et al. purchased 580,907 units at $1.25 to $1.33 per unit.

-30- 517
#90344c0606 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY CONTINENTAL ILLINOIS VENTURE CORP. OWNS 5,391,520 SHARES (67.30%) OF CELUTEL INC.(TICKER: CLU) OF PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CIVC has entered into an agreement dated as of Nov. 29, 1990 with Celutel Inc. under which CIVC will acquire from Celutel Inc. 22,500 shares of 18 percent senior convertible preferred stock and warrants exercisable for 891,520 shares of Celutel Inc. class A common stock.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 674
#90344c0608 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

R.D. HUBBARD OWNS 391,882 SHARES (9.90%) OF HOLLYWOOD PARK ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: HTRF) OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Dec. 3, 1990 R. D. Hubbard announced the filing of a suit to enjoin the Operating Co. and certain directors, including Marjorie Everett, from continuing violations of the federal securities laws in connection with materially false and misleading statements made by the Operating Co. designed to influence stockholders concerning Mr. Hubbard's current solicitation of consents and proxies to elect himself and his nominees to the company's board. In a statement made Dec. 5, 1990, Mr. Hubbard responds to a lawsuit brought against him in connection with a proxy contest and consent solicitation that, "the suit was a desperate act by Marje Everett and nothing more than a smokescreen designed to prevent the stockholders from expressing their long, pent up dissatisfaction with Mrs. Everett by voting for my director nominees who are committed to, and capable of restoring Hollywood Park to its former position of greatness." On Dec. 5, 1990, a complaint was filed by Operating Co. in the federal district court in the Central District of California against Mr. Hubbard, Harry Ornest, Thomas W. Gamel and the Ornest Family Partnership alleging that Messrs. Hubbard, Ornest and Gamel the Partnership have violated the federal securities laws by, among other things failing to disclose that they are each acting with others as part of a "group" for purposes of Section 13(d) of the 1934 Act, failing to disclose that a purpose of their transactions is to effectuate a change in control of Operating Co. to benefit Santa Anita and Lost Alamitos racetracks and failing to promptly amend their 13d statements to disclose these facts. On Dec. 6,

1990, Operating Co., Messrs. Forsythe, Griffin, Paulson, Spelling and Seiden filed a cross-claim in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County against Realty and its directors, including Mr. Hubbard, which seeks to enforce the pre-notification requirements for stockholders intending to bring business before a meeting of Realty's stockholders.

-30- 2425
#90344c0609 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

CHUGAI BOYEKI AMERICA CORP. OWNS 342,515 SHARES (12.42%) OF VICON INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: VII) OF TOKYO, JAPAN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 6, 1990, through Dec. 5, 1990, Chugai Boyeki America Corp. purchased 33,800 shares at a price of $2.25 to $3.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 513
#90344c0610 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY D. BLECH TRUSTEE OWNS 5,747,730 SHARES (31.40%) OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP.(TICKER: BTGC) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 9, 1990 through Dec. 6, 1990, D. BLech Trustee, et al. purchased 162,000 shares at a price of $1.85 to $2.50 per share.

-30- 495
#90344c0611 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On or about Dec. 3, 1990, Lawrence Epstein filed a purported class action on behalf of public stockholders of the company in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California seeking preliminary and permanent injunctive relief and other relief against the Parent, Holding and the Purchaser regarding the offer. On or about Dec.6, 1990, Epstein filed a first amended complaint in such lawsuit. On or about Dec. 6, 1990, GO-Video Inc. filed a lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona entitled Go-Video Inc. v. Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd., Matsushita Holding Corp. and Matsushita Acquisition Corp., Dkt. No. 90-1864, seeking preliminary and permanent injunctive relief against the Parent, Holding and the Purchaser regarding the offer.

-30- 998
#90344c0612 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

L.G. NAFF OWNS 5,000 SHARES (.05%) OF LITTLEFIELD & ADAMS CO.(TICKER: LFA) OF ROANOKE, VIRGINIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Dec. 3 and 4, 1990 L.G. Naff sold 62,800 shares at 25 cents each.

PURPOSE:

Sales as a result of declining market conditions.

-30- 461
#90344c0613 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 803,237 SHARES (20.75%) OF DYNAMICS CORPORATION OF AMERICA (TICKER: DYA) OF GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 8 and Dec. 6, 1990 Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 63,900 shares at $8.97 to $11.63 per share and sold 16,500 shares at $9.11 to $11.20 per share. Gamco Investors Inc. lost beneficial ownership of 14,000 shares as a result of changes in dispositive power.

-30- 662
#90344c0614 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

HELM RESOURCES INC. OF GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT OWNS 133,360,656 SHARES (92.70%) OF SCAT HOVERCRAFT INC (TICKER: SCAT) OF MIAMI, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 14, 1990 Scat Hovercraft Inc. issued to Helm Investments Inc., a Helm Resources Inc. subsidiary, 133,360,656 Scat Hovercraft Inc. common shares for $375,000 in connection with Scat Hovercraft Inc.'s Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceeding.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 634
#90344c0616 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY TIGER OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 857,900 SHARES (6.51%) OF NOVELLUS SYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: NVLS) OF SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 15 and Dec. 5, 1990 Tiger, et al. purchased 167,500 shares at $8.75 to $10.95 per share.

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#90344c0617 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

MITSUBISHI CORP. OWNS 539,313 SHARES (8.30%) OF AMTECH CORP. (TICKER: AMTC) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mitsubishi is making this filing because it owns in excess of five percent of the common stock of the company and it is also part of a group consisting of name, amount of shares and percentage, as follows: Kenneth W. Anderson, 330,712, 5.096; David P. Cook, 48,000, 0.796; H. Ross Perot, 270,419, 4.2; J. Michael Poss, 25,640, 0.496; Walter Brothers 78,480, 1.296; John T. Walter, Jr., 78,480, 1.296; Mitsubishi International Corp., 107,861, 1.796; American President Companies Ltd., 647,174, 10.096.

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#90344c0618 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

AMERICAN PRESIDENT COS LTD OF OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA OWNS 647,174 SHARES (10.00%) OF AMTECH CORP.(TICKER: AMTC) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

American President Companies Ltd. is making this filing in excess of five percent of the common stock of the company and it is also part of a group consisting of name, amount of shares and percentage, as follows: Kenneth W. Anderson, 330,712, 5.096; David P. Cook, 48,000, 0.796; H. Ross Perot, 270,419 4.2; J. Michael Poss, 25,640, 0.496; Walter Brothers 78,480, 1.296; John T. Walter, Jr., 78,480, 1.296; Mitsubishi International Corp., 107,861, 1.796; Mitsubishi Corporation, 539,313, 8.396.

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#90344c0619 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY TAE IL MEDIA CO. LTD. OWNS 10,500,000 SHARES (50.90%) OF NATIONAL MICRONETICS INC.(TICKER: NMIC) OF KINGSTON, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Newmax has the right to purchase at least 10,500,000 shares of National Micronetics Inc.'s common stock. Acquisition of National Micronetics Inc.'s securities are to obtain the voting power required to enable Newmax to change the board and management of National Micronetics Inc. Newmax has proposed National Micronetics Inc. should increase the board from five to seven members and that Mr. K.H. Chung, Dr. Hee Hwann Lee, Dr. Yoon H. Choo, two independent directors to be designated Newmax and Mr. Robert C. Ristagno should be elected as directors of National Micronetics Inc. and that at least three of the four

incumbent directors should not seek re-election in the meeting scheduled to be held in February 1991. The National Micronetics Inc. has agreed to Newmax's proposal as soon as Newmax contributes $1,000,000 to the capital of the National Micronetics Inc., and has agreed that Newmax may designate five of seven directors to be elected at the next stockholders meeting.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of National Micronetics Inc.'s securities to provide working capital.

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#90344c0620 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 22

W.H. ELLIOTT OWNS 558,808 SHARES (13.80%) OF ANGELES CORP.(TICKER: ANG) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

W.H. Elliot acquired beneficial ownership of 10,000 additional shares of Angeles common stock as a result of a portion of his employee stock options become exercisable. Pursuant to a pledge agreement between W.H. Elliot and the purchaser of the 130,000 shares, W.H. Elliot retains sole voting power over all of the 130,000 shares initially and thereafter over a declining number as the purchaser's notes are paid in full.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 30, 1990, Mr. Elliott sold for promissory notes of the purchaser 130,000 shares at a price of $1.75 per share or an aggregate of $227,500 and on Oct. 4, 1990, W.H. Elliot sold 5,000 units at a price of $8.50, each unit including one-half share of common stock.

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#90344c0621 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY WARBURG PINCUS CAPITAL CO. LP. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWN 4,622,311 SHARES (17.10%) OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP.(TICKER: UNIH) OF MINNESOTA, MINNESOTA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Dec. 6 through Dec. 7, 1990, Warburg, Pincus Capital Co. sold 345,000 shares at a price of $21.88 to $22.88 per share.

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#90344c0622 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 11) COMTEX - Oak Brook, Ill.-based Pinnacle Banc Group Inc. (TICKER: PINN) has agreed to acquire The Henry County Bank of Green Rock, Ill., from Financial Services Corp. of the Midwest for $3.35 million cash.

Henry County had assets of $29.66 million, loans of $15.43 million, and deposits of $26.84 million as of Sept. 30, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 10, 1990.

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#90344c0624 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 11) COMTEX - American Education Computer Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Oklahoma City-based Unico Inc.(TICKER: UNRC), has agreed to sell a substantial portion of its computer software and video publishing assets to Plasmedics Inc. of Littleton, Co., for $1.1 million cash and notes.

The assets will include American Educational's Concord Video division, tradenames, trademarks, retail-product sales rights and most furniture and equipment, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 10, 1990.

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#90344c0625 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 11) COMTEX - Boise Cascade Corp.(TICKER: BCC), the Boise, Idaho-based wood and paper products giant, has paid $152,666 to the state of Maine to settle charges brought by that state's Department of Environmental Protection that the company violated standards of the Maine Clean Air Act at its Rumford, Maine, facility between 1987 and 1990, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 10, 1990.

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#90344c0626 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, a New York-based insurer, has exercised its option to buy 62 percent of Chicago's Equitable Building from the Chicago Dock and Canal Trust (TICKER: DOCK) for $50 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 10, 1990.

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#90344c0627 12/10/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The U.S. Comptroller of the Currency has notified Tampa, Fla.-based First Florida Banks Inc.(TICKER: FFBK) by telephone that it has denied First Florida Banks' application to acquire Mid-State Federal Savings Bank, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 10, 1990.

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#90344d0060 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
COPENHAGEN (DEC. 10) - Denmark's early general election on December 12 was provoked by government proposals to lighten taxes to align the nation with other European Community states.

The Social-Democrat opposition refused to accept this gift to the most heavily taxed electorate in the 12-nation EC (the marginal tax rate is 68 per cent) on grounds that "there is no money in the budget to finance" such a move.

Conservative Prime Minister Poul Schlueter, leading his fourth minority government, knew that he was not risking much by holding early general elections. His master card is Denmark's economy which since his arrival as head of the government in 1982 has gone from strength to strength gaining "better results than those of Japan, Switzerland and Germany," he said.

The policy of austerity has borne fruit. Foreign trade is booming, with an expected surplus in 1990 of almost 40 billion Danish kroner (seven billion dollars).

The balance of payments this year will be in surplus for the first time since 1963. Inflation, expected to register 2.8 per cent for the year is among the lowest in the Western world and wage increases, contained to under five per cent a year, have strengthened Danish companies' competitiveness abroad.

Standard Poors, the U.S. rating firm, downgraded Denmark by two categories in 1983. But now analysts say Denmark is becoming a first class country economy-wise.

But the small nation's spectacular economic achievements have been made at the cost of stagnant three per cent growth over the five years 1987-1991, the lowest since the reign of King Christian IX in 1872-77. In addition unemployment has risen to 280,000 or about 10 per cent of the working population. The figure is one of the highest in Western Europe.

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#90344d0150 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 10) - France is to boost the number of its troops in Saudi Arabia Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement announced Monday.

"A top level decision in principle was made on reinforcements, which had been sought for a long time to to ensure maximum security for our forces in all eventualities," he told reporters.

Details of the buildup will be announced in a few days after consultations with senior officers, the minister said.

The decision to use French forces in an armed conflict against Iraq lies with the French president, head of the army.

Mr. Chevenement said it had become necessary to give French troops the means to face all situations, notably new missions which could be ordered after January 15.

United Nations' resolution 678 allows the international force deployed in Saudi Arabia to use force against Iraq if it does not withdraw from Kuwait by January 15.

At least a thousand soldiers armed with 18 or 24 155mm mobile canons will be sent to Saudi Arabia by January 15.

Well-informed sources said the decision would entail a number of other measures including the deployment of more soldiers, AMX 30 heavy tanks and some fighter planes.

A wide-ranging re-evaluation of the French forces in the Gulf was expected after both the United States and Britain announced substantial increases in their military strength in the region.

Operation Daguet currently involves 6,250 men from an airborne land brigade and the air force and Mirage FI CR reconnaisance planes, Mirage 2000 air defence planes and Jaguar attack aircraft.

Lat Friday one of the Mirage FI CRs crashed during a training flight, killing the pilot.

France had already sent reinforcements to the Gulf when it sent 24 fighter helicopters and AMX-10 RC light tanks at the end of October.

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#90344d0200 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PHNOM PENH (DEC. 10) - A Soviet delegation arrived here Monday to negotiate an important new economic cooperation deal with Cambodia, Soviet sources said.

The Moscow team arrived in the Cambodian capital from neighbouring Laos and is led by Vladimir Goussev, vice president of the Soviet Council of Ministers.

The sources did not have details of Mr. Goussev's agenda or his length of stay.

But they said he would be here to negotiate a new economic package with ally Phnom Penh, which has relied heavily on oil imports from the Soviet Union under a five year deal that ends this year.

Soviet sources said a new agreement was likely to be signed on a one year basis only. One suggested Moscow might not be able to guarantee any agreement given its current problems.

Most observers expect the Soviet government will demand dollars for future economic exchanges.

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#90344d0270 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 10) - Nigerian and British officials began a meeting here on Monday aimed at improving economic relations between the two nations, diplomatic sources said.

The three-day meeting will review economic relations between the two countries and propose ways of increasing commercial activities between them, the source said.

The Nigerian team at the meeting is being led by the director-general in the ministry of trade and tourism, Alhaji Abdulkadir, while the British side is led by the minister of state for trade, Timothy Sainsbury.

Nigeria is concerned about the slow inflow of new direct foreign investment from Britain in recent years, Mr. Abdulkadir said at the opening of the meeting.

Total recorded net flow of resources to Nigeria was 536.5 million dollars in 1984, 1.12 billion dollars in 1986 and only 97.4 million dollars in 1988, he said.

Britain is prepared to enter into a new era of economic acitivities with Nigeria, Mr. Sainsbury stated.

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#90344d0300 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN, (DEC. 10) - U.S. Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, Henry Rowen, left here Monday after a two-day visit and talks with King Hussein, the official Petra news agency reported.

Mr. Rowen is the first high-ranking U.S. official to visit Amman since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2.

A Jordanian official said Sunday that the king and Mr. Rowen had, in addition to discussing the Gulf crisis, stressed the "need for exerting genuine efforts to tackle other Middle East conflicts through a comprehensive respect for international legitimacy."

King Hussein said earlier Sunday that peace could not prevail in the Middle East if a settlement were restricted to the Gulf region.

Jordanian-U.S. relations have been strained, as the kingdom -- showing sympathy for Iraq -- has spearheaded efforts to forge an Arab solution in the Gulf.

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#90344d0410 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 10) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,279.50 (1,300.00) 1,285.50 (1,298.50)
Lead 327.50 (330.00) 336.50 (338.25)
Zinc 1,302.50 (1,288.50) 1,273.00 (1,257.50)
Tin 5,775.00 (5,725.00) 5,852.50 (5,810.00)
Aluminium 1,527.00 (1,564.00) 1,562.50 (1,596.50)
Nickel 8,250.00 (8,250.00) 8,097.50 (8,112.50)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90344d0490 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 10) - Japan will gradually increase its share of the cost of maintaining the 50,000 U.S. servicemen posted here in fiscal 1991 beginning in April, the Kyodo news agency reported Monday.

The plan for expanding Japan's share of the cost from the current 35 per- cent to 50 percent was outlined at an informal meeting of Japanese and U.S. defense officials here Monday, Kyodo quoted Japanese defense sources as saying.

The U.S. officials told the meeting that sentiment in the U.S. Congress and among the public toward Japan would harden unless Japan substantially boosted its share of the host-nation support cost every year, Kyodo said.

The U.S. side was led by Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense Carl Ford and Deputy Assistant Secretary State of State Desaix Anderson.

The Japanese Government has budgeted 168 billion yen (1.3 billion dollars) for its share of the cost of maintaining U.S. troops in fiscal 1990. The budget covers maintenance and personnel costs.

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#90344d0510 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (DEC. 10) - Chinese seismologists have predicted a major earthquake in the northwest region of Xinjiang before the year 2000, a local press report said.

The Xinjiang Daily newspaper, in an issue dated December 3 and received here Monday, said China would experience its fifth major phase of seismological activity in the 1990's.

The Xinjiang autonomous region has experienced 15 tremors measuring higher than seven on the open-ended Richter scale since 1900. Seventeen tremors measuring higher than five have rocked the rural and sparsely populated area this year.

Xinjiang has 45 seismological observation stations operating around the clock, the paper said, adding that readers were advised to go outside in the event of an earthquake.

The last devastating earthquake to hit China was in 1976 in Tangshan, 150 kilometers (90 miles) south of here. It destroyed the town and left about 650,000 people dead.

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#90344d0520 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 10) - A rise in the level of western world stocks of aluminium

pushed the three-month price of the metal down Monday on the London Metal Exchange (LME), dealers said.

Figures from the International Primary Aluminium Institute (IPAI) rose by 69,000 tonnes from September's levels to an October total of 1.478 million tonnes.

In after-hours kerb trading, three-month metal was quoted at 1,566 dollars per tonne, up by three dollars from the afternoon close, but down from Friday's closing level of 1,597 dollars.

Copper recovered on the kerb to 1,292 pounds per tonne, against 1,286 on the afternoon ring. The metal had been lower earlier in the day, but it did not manage to recover to the 1,299-pound price at which it closed Friday.

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#90344d0720 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) - U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney Monday said Iraq's decision to release all its foreign hostages should not raise hopes for a peaceful resolution of the Gulf crisis.

"The illegal, immoral, illicit act of Saddam Hussein in holding hundreds of American hostages against their will for several months appears to be coming to an end," Mr. Cheney said in a speech to a defense industry group, referring to Iraq's president.

"But I don't believe Saddam Hussein deserves any credit for stopping a practice that obviously is abhorrent to the civilized world," Mr. Cheney added. Iraq continues to send reinforcements to Kuwait and southern Iraq, Mr. Cheney said.

He added that Mr. Hussein "has given us absolutely no indication whatsoever of any intention" to comply with a United Nations resolution demanding that he pull out of Kuwait by January 15 or face possible military attack.

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#90344d0780 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 10) - Dassault Electronique company, which makes civilian and military electronics products, announced on Monday that it was setting up two new subsidiaries, one in the United States.

The new American firm is called Dassault Electronique Inc., and is to be headquartered in Dover, Delaware.

The firm's purpose is to push sales of Dassault automatic devices and systems in the United States, and particularly of ATB (Automated Ticket and Boarding

pass) systems for the aviation industry.

The other new subsidiary, Dassault Electronique Developpement, will act as a legal structure when the time comes to put the automatic systems business in the hands of a subsidiary, Dassault said.

Dassault Electronique, formerly named Electronique Serge Dassault, had pre-tax sales of 4.1 billion francs (820 million dollars) in 1989.

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#90344d0850 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 10) - Economics and finance ministers from the 12 European Community (E.C.) countries were unable here Monday to decide on the size of an emergency food and technical aid package for the Soviet Union.

''The question of financing is still open,'' said E.C. Commission President Jacques Delors, while Italian Finance Minister Guido Carli who chaired the meeting reported that agreement in principle had been found.

A majority of E.C. members apparently were not prepared to go along with a proposal from the E.C. commission to borrow money for the proposed 1.35 billion dollar emergency aid.

Sources close to the meeting said the E.C. on the other hand does not have enough money to pay for the aid as a donation.

Delors told the meeting he reserved the right to make a final proposal on the aid package next Friday to the E.C. summit in Rome which is expected to issue a political signal for helping the Soviets.

The E.C. would also demand guarantees from the Soviets that the emergency aid actually reaches persons in need, he said.

The E.C. Commission proposed that the aid package should consist of over a billion dollars in humanitarian assistance and some 350 million dollars in technical help.

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#90344d0860 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 10) - More than 130 Japanese hostages held in Iraq will be evacuated Wednesday on board an Iraqi Airways jet to Bangkok, where they will catch another flight to Tokyo, Japanese Embassy sources said here Monday.

The passengers will include 78 Japanese who were used as "human shields" at strategic sites after Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2, as well as 14 employees of the Japanese Embassy in Kuwait City, they said.

On Sunday, 39 Japanese held in Iraq as hostages returned home with their relatives on a special Japan Airlines flight.

They were freed Saturday after a four-month ordeal following the Iraqi invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait.

Their release followed negotiations with Iraqi officials by Antonio Inoki, a member of the upper house of the Japanese parliament, and a professional wrestler who visited Baghdad heading a group of family members of the Japanese hostages.

President Saddam Hussein on Thursday said all foreigners held in Iraq and those hiding in Kuwait were free to leave.

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#90344d0940 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (DEC. 10) - The United States appeared set to exercise its veto power Monday against a U.N. Security Council resolution calling for an international conference on the Mideast to settle the Palestinian question.

The Security Council was scheduled to resume debate on the resolution late Monday, and the draft, in its current form, was said to be unacceptable to the United States.

With council debate slated to resume at 2000 GMT, U.S. diplomats made final efforts to arrive at a compromise resolution text. Finland agreed to take part in the negotiations, as did Yemen, which is presiding over the 15-member council this month.

Only the five permanent members - the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain France and China - have absolute veto power over council actions.

The draft resolution in question was proposed by Colombia, Cuba, Malaysia and Yemen, known as the "Group of Four" for the similarity in their voting. It deals with the protection of Palestinians in Israeli occupied territories.

The draft includes a particularly controversial paragraph which states that, at the appropriate time, a Middle East peace conference "would facilitate the achievement of a comprehensive settlement and lasting peace in the Middle East."

The United States is trying to weaken that paragraph in order to skirt any apparent capitulation to the demands made by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to link resolution of the Gulf crisis to the Palestinian issue.

Washington also is likely to take into account Israel's firm stand against convening any international conference aimed at resolving the Palestinian problem.

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#90344d1050 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) - Iraqi troops have strung barbed wire along an area south of Kuwait's northern frontier in an apparent attempt to redraw its border, the State Department said Monday.

State Department Spokesman Richard Boucher said the barbed wire went up two months ago, along with Iraqi statements about creating a new ''Kuwaiti province''.

''Any unilateral action taken by Iraq in reference to the international border of Kuwait has absolutely no validity,'' he said. ''Their annexation of Kuwait was declared null and void by the United Nations Security Council.''

Boucher disparaged comments made earlier in the day by Iraq's information minister, who asserted that his country would not remove its troops from Kuwait.

But ending the occupation and restoring the previous Kuwaiti government remains the U.N. goal, Boucher said, although Iraq ''has so far not shown anything to suggest that it's prepared to withdraw.''

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#90344d1130 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (DEC. 10) - The China National Oil Development Corporation (CNODC) signed a contract Monday granting an oil exploration contract to a New Zealand-led consortium, an official Chinese report said here.

The New China News Agency (NCNA), in a report monitored here, quoted a CNODC spokesman in Beijing as saying it was the first Sino-foreign petroleum contract since 1985.

CNODC president Cheng Shouli said he hoped the contract would pave the way for more cooperation in oil exploration and development between foreign companies and China.

(New Zealand's Petrocorp Exploration had earlier announced the deal in Wellington, saying it was the first foreign firm to be granted an exploration licence on mainland China.

(Petrocorp Exploration will be the operator of the exploration licence, with a 60 percent share in the consortium, which also includes two U.S. exploration

companies, Santa Fe Energy Corp. (25 percent) and Nomeco (15 percent).

(The agreement gives the consortium the right to explore an area 15,900 kilometres (6,360 miles) square in the central region of China.

(The concession lies in the Dongting Basin in the southern part of a major geologic trend called the East China Rift System, in which more than 25 billion barrels of oil have been discovered.)

NCNA said in the report monitored in Hong Kong that the signing ceremony in Beijing was attended by Petrocorp managing director Jim Patek, Nomeco president Richard Burgess, Santa Fe president James Payne, U.S. ambassador James Lilley and New Zealand's ambassador John Powles.

(Under the agreement, CNODC has the option of taking up to a 51 percent interest in the development of any field, and the consortium will retain 49 per cent, Petrocorp said in Wellington.)

Until now, foreign oil companies have limited their exploration to off-shore areas, such as the mouth of the Pearl River in the South China Sea.

Onshore, 11 provinces and regions south of the Yangtze River have been open to foreign oil development for the past four years.

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#90344d1160 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 10) - Japan's Sanyo Electric Co. plans to become the first Japanese electric appliance maker to have a representative office in Vietnam since the 1975 communist takeover of the south, it was reported Monday.

Sanyo plans to appoint Tran Huynh Long, 52, who obtained Canadian citizenship after fleeing Vietnam following the fall of Saigon, as its representative in Vietnam, the Kyodo news agency said.

Sanyo, Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. and Sony Corp. of Japan had joint ventures in Vietnam to produce radios and black-and-white television sets but they pulled out of the country when South Vietnam fell to the communist North.

Vietnam's state-run enterprise Vietronics has taken over the plants of the joint ventures and now assembles color television sets with parts from Victor Co. of Japan and small-sized videocassette recorders with parts from Sony, Kyodo said.

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#90344d1220 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (DEC. 10) - Labor tension rose suddenly in Italy on Monday when the

three major union federations called a four-hour general strike for December 20, in the wake of a breakdown in negotiations last week on renewal of the metal-workers' collective bargaining agreement.

The decision of the federations - the CGIL (communist majority), CISL (Christian Democratic) and UIL (socialist) - will affect all economic sectors, the unions said, with the exception of health and transportation.

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#90344d1240 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 10) - Czechoslovak President Vaclav Havel was awarded here Monday the 1990 human rights prize of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (Unesco).

Havel's human rights adviser Martin Butora and the Czechoslovak ambassador to Unesco accepted the prize on behalf of their president. Worth 4,000 dollars, it has been given to a person or institution every other year since 1978.

Havel was cited for his role in the ''historic upheavals'' in which Czechoslovakia was transformed into a democracy a year ago and for his ''outstanding role'' in enforcing human rights.

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#90344d1550 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) - The United States Monday rejected any attempt by Iraq to alter unilaterally its border with Kuwait, confirming that Iraq had installed a barbed wire fence south of the Iraqi-Kuwaiti frontier.

"We do understand that Iraq has strung barbed wire along a point south of Kuwait's northern border, approximately where Iraq claims that the border of its 'province' begins," State Department spokesman Richard Boucher announced.

"The Iraqis took this action approximately two months ago," Mr. Boucher said.

"Any unilateral action taken by the Iraqis in reference with the international border of Kuwait has absolutely no validity. Their annexation of Kuwait was declared null and void by the U.N. Security Council," the spokesman added.

A British newspaper reported on the weekend that Iraq had altered its border with Kuwait to include within Iraq the entire disputed Rumallah oil field, which officially straddles the frontier dividing the two countries. The report suggested the act was an indication that Baghdad might try to negotiate a partial withdrawal from Kuwait which would allow it to keep the Rumallah zone.

Mr. Boucher said the United States was not particularly concerned with Iraq's border action.

"Nothing that Iraq has done suggests they're ready to withdraw" from Kuwait, he said.

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#90344d1560 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 10) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev sought backing for his proposed union treaty on Monday before the Communist Party Central Committee, in a speech offering several concessions to nationalists in the Soviet republics.

Addressing the plenum of the conservative-dominated Central Committee, Mr. Gorbachev declared that the Communist Party wanted both the "survival and radical overhaul" of the Soviet Union, Tass news agency reported.

"This is not a tactical maneuver or a concession to anyone under the pressure of circumstances, but a position of principal for the party," he said.

Mr. Gorbachev aruged that in a country of more than 150 nationalities, with tens of millions of people living outside their native republics, the disintegration of the Soviet Union would lead to "cataclysms which would have a disastrous consequences not only on the country, but on the entire world."

These could include mass population migrations and the renewal of border disputes.

Mr. Gorbachev was seeking the backing of the Central Committee before the Congress of People's Deputies, or full parliament, meets December 17 to discuss his proposed union treaty, which sets out a new division of authority between federal authorities and the republics.

The Central Committee was to continue its plenum behind closed doors on Tuesday. The plenum marked the second time the central committee has met since last summer's party congress renewed its 300-odd membership.

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#90344d1600 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG, GERMANY (DEC. 10) - Road traffic in and around several major cities in southern and western Germany was halted for hours Monday as snowstorms struck for the first time in the new winter season. A man was found frozen to death in a park in Karlsruhe.

Other countries in western Europe, including Britain, France, Switzerland, Austria, Italy and Spain have also been hit by heavy snowfalls and sub-zero temperatures, causing road and rail traffic disruptions.

German motorists around Stuttgart, Freiburg, Duesseldorf and Dortmund were forced to spend hours in their motionless vehicles, unable to get off the icy roads lined with wrecked cars and trucks that had slithered into each other.

Police complained that many motorists were still driving with summer tyres despite the weather warnings and that truck drivers caused accidents by overtaking other vehicles recklessly.

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#90344d1660 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLETON, California (DEC. 10) - A Vietnam veteran set fire to himself and burned to death to protest U.S. policy in the Gulf, police officials said.

Timothy Brown, a 48-year-old self-employed knife sharpener, set himself on fire Sunday after covering himself with fuel outside an abandoned cannery here, some 65 kilometers (40 miles) southeast of Sacramento.

Mr. Brown placed a pile of one-page letters explaining his action next to his van. They were marked with a sign reading: "Take one."

"I, Tim Brown, Vietnam veteran, declare that my act of self-immolation is a direct protest of American war policy in the Middle East. America, do not go to war ... America, do not repeat the mistake of Vietnam," the letters said.

Mr. Brown also left fliers on the windshields of cars parked nearby.

Sacramento County coroner's office investigator Bob Brian said the blaze spread to the cannery, where firefighters extinguished the flames.

Mr. Brown was well known in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta area east of San Francisco where he lived in a houseboat and served restaurants and other customers from his van.

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#90344d2060 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT OF SPAIN (DEC. 10) - A state of emergency and curfew imposed by the government of Trinidad and Tobago following an aborted coup attempt July 27 were lifted Monday.

More than 30 persons detained under the state of emergency were released Monday.

National Security Minister Selwyn Richardson said security forces were now in full control.

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#90344d2210 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) - Environmental organizations are expressing alarm over government proposals to ease U.S. dependence on foreign oil, including opening national parks to oil exploration and ease environmental regulations.

Experts at the Department of Energy have drawn up a list of 67 proposals to reduce growing U.S. dependence on foreign oil.

The proposals include a new tax on oil, opening of a national park in Alaska to oil exploration, construction of new natural gas pipelines, tax breaks for oil production and energy conservation, easing nuclear regulations and generally taking into account the energy impact of environmental protection measures.

"There is no vision. There is simply a long list of options," Christopher Flavin, an expert at the Worldwatch Institute, said Monday.

Many environmentalists believe the plan would emphasize measures to boost production at the expense of conservation measures, which politically are more difficult to pass.

"All signs point to a policy that will reward and placate entrenched energy interests," said Edwin Rothschild of Citizen Action, a consumer advocacy group based in Washington.

Under study since 1989, the reform of U.S. energy policy has acquired new urgency in light of the oil crisis that has followed Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait. The administration is expected to unveil its reform plan in early 1991.

The decline of oil prices during the 1980's has discouraged exploration in the United States while off-shore drilling have been restricted as a result of pressure by environmentalists.

U.S. oil production has dropped to around 2 million barrels a day since 1986, according to the American Petroleum Institute. U.S. oil imports, which represented 20 per cent of the total in 1960, now amount to more than 50 per cent.

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#90344d2220 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 10) - More than 380 former hostages, most of them British, arrived in London late Monday on an Iraqi Airways jumbo jet from Baghdad, airport officials said.

The plane arrived at Gatwick airport, south of London, after a

five-and-a-half-hour flight from the Iraqi capital.

The released hostages then had a private reunion with families and friends at an airport landing gate before clearing customs and passport control.

Their long-awaited return had been delayed for nearly five hours when the aircraft was kept on the tarmac at Baghdad Airport.

A Gatwick Airport spokeswoman said the delay was thought to have been caused by difficulties in obtaining clearance for the flight.

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#90344d2230 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) - The State Department Monday urged Angola's ruling party to call elections for as quickly as possible, saying that it was pleased with the decision to allow a multiparty system.

The Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) voted Saturday to endorse the formation of political parties, guarantee freedom of the press and freedom of association and establish an open market system.

"We are encouraged by the MPLA party decision to move toward amending the constitution to allow for the creation of other political parties in Angola," State Deparment spokesman Richard Boucher said.

Mr. Boucher said Washington hoped the change would come as quickly as possible and that rebels with the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) would be allowed to form political parties.

The spokesman said that Luanda's decision would not change Washington's financial support for UNITA, which is headed by Jonas Savimbi. Mr. Boucher said the aid would continue until UNITA was guaranteed a role in Angola's political system.

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#90344d2240 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) - The Pentagon said Monday more F-15 Eagle fighters had been ordered to the Gulf and the U.S. Army announced the call-up of more National Guard and Army Reserve personnel.

The Pentagon said elements of the 36th Tactical Fighter Wing at Bitburg, Germany would be going to the Gulf beginning December 28. The number of F-15's being sent was not disclosed, however.

The sending of additional F-15 fighters follows the deployment of more F-117A "stealth" fighter bombers, F-111 medium-range bombers, A-10 tank killers and

OA-10 observation planes.

The F-15's are armed with Sidewinder and Sparrow missiles and a 20mm Gatling gun.

An unknown number of F-15's already has been sent to the Gulf from the 1st Tactical Fighter Wing at Langley Air Force Base, Viriginia and from the 4th Tactical Fighter Wing at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, North Carolina.

Meanwhile, the army said it had called 1,457 members of the national guard and reserve units to active duty to provide support services such as cargo transport, medical service and civil affairs.

In all, 120,281 reservists have been called to active duty from all four services -- more than 90,000 of them from the army national guard or reserve.

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#90344d2270 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LOS ANGELES (DEC 10) - Security Pacific Corp. said Monday it was adding 850 million dollars to its reserves to cover bad loans and the costs of closing a subsidiary.

The move will mean a net loss of 320 million dollars to 360 million dollars for the fourth quarter of 1990 and could reduce profits for the year to 160 million dollars, according to the banking group, the nation's fifth largest.

Security Pacific showed a 741 million dollar profit in 1989, and a 639 million dollar profit for 1988.

In adding to its reserves, Security Pacific is following the example of other large U.S. banks, who have been hit hard by a soft real estate market on the East Coast, which has since spread to California and the Northeast.

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#90344d2290 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 11) - The five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council -- Britain, China, France, the Soviet Union and the United States -- may meet soon in order to reaffirm a U.N. ultimatum to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, the Foreign Office said here Monday.

The London newspaper The Evening Standard said that the talks, if held, would take place at foreign minister level in London sometime before December 25.

The aim would be "to agree a joint line with Saddam which will repeat the ultimatum already given to the dictator," the paper said.

A Foreign Office spokesman said only that the holding of the talks was a possibility which was currently under discussion. He gave no indication of a possible date.

The United Nations Security Council has given Mr. Hussein until January 15 to pull his troops out of Kuwait after which individual U.N. members will be authorized to use force to dislodge them.

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#90344d2340 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 11) - Four months after the start of the Gulf crisis, tensions on the oil market have subsided and oil supply worldwide is now sufficient, officials the Paris-based International Energy Agency said on Monday.

Quincey Lumsden, in charge of the oil market for the 21-member IEA, said that the supply of oil products was better than the supply of crude oil, but that overall "tension has diminished."

Mr. Lumsden, speaking at the close of a meeting of representatives of the IEA here, estimated surplus production capacity for crude oil worldwide -- excluding embargoed sources in Iraq and Kuwait -- at only 0.5 million barrels a day.

British IEA representative Geoffrey Chipperfield told reporters that member states continued to hold themselves in a "high state of readiness," in the event of any future disruption of supply.

He said IEA members were prepared to call for an emergency session if need be.

The IEA secretariat in a report said Soviet oil exports towards the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) countries fell from 1.7 million barrels per day during the first nine months of the year to 1.4 million barrels per day for the October-November period.

Although the drop could partly be explained by seasonal variations, there was evidence that falling production this year has worsened the decline in exports the report said.

A rise in production in several countries has compensated for the loss of embargoed Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil, the report said, with Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) production up to nearly 23 million barriels per day for the month of November.

But the IEA underlined the severe problems faced by the developing countries and the states of Eastern Europe, hit by a loss of suppliers and higher import costs.

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#90344d2430 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (DEC. 11) - The environmental group Greenpeace said here Tuesday it had entered the territorial waters of France's South Pacific nuclear test site Mururoa Atoll.

Greenpeace said in a statement received here that an inflatable dinghy carrying five crew members from the Rainbow Warrior II had entered the 12-mile (20 kilometre) territorial exclusion zone around Mururoa at 2300 GMT Monday.

French authorities, who had refused Greenpeace permission to cross the 12-mile limit, were informed of the action shortly before the boat entered French waters, the group said.

They were told the object of the mission was to collect samples from the lagoon at Mururoa to check for possible radioactive contamination, Greenpeace said.

Alain Connan, 57, of Greenpeace France and captain of the Rainbow Warrior II, said in the statement that the team he was leading was unarmed and non-violent and had no intention of landing on the atoll itself.

"We have to find out the truth about the (radioactive) damage to Mururoa and the only way to do that is to take samples in the lagoon itself," Capt. Connan said.

He said Greenpeace had "found indications of radioactivity in plankton 12 miles (20 kilometres) out", notably Caesium 134 and Cobalt 60.

Greenpeace said the most likely cause of the contamination "is the French nuclear testing program."

France has conducted some 120 nuclear tests at Mururoa since it took its test program underground in 1975.

It has maintained a program averaging two series of four tests each year, with devices ranging from 30 kilotons to around 100 kilotons.

On board the dinghy were Capt. Connan, Norm Buske, 47, of the United States, Martin Gotje, 41, a New Zealand resident from the Netherlands, Beth Higgs, 29, of Australia, and Remuna Tafariua, 37, of French Polynesia.

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#90344d2620 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (DEC. 11) - Fifty-seven of Uruguay's 70 creditor banks have committed to restructuring the country's foreign debt by 92 per cent in the

medium- and short-term, officials said.

Nicolas Herrera, Uruguayan vice minister of Economics and Finance, said the banks had committed themselves to the task by last Friday's deadline -- the last day for banks to take advantage of an early participation fee of one-eighth of one per cent of their total commitment.

So far, 36 per cent of the deals have sought to resell the debts to the Uruguayan Government at 56 per cent of their principal amount in cash buy-backs, said Mike Graffenried, of Citibank, president of the banking committee for Uruguay.

The 1.64-billion-dollar restructuring is almost all of the Uruguayan debt in the short- and long-term, which is approaching some 1.69 billion dollars.

Uruguay owes some 5.51 billion dollars to industrial countries and multilateral financing institutions.

Mr. de Graffenried emphasized that some banks did not subscribe to any agreement by the deadline, but he was certain that all of them would participate in the restructuring package by January.

About 64 per cent of the deals agreed so far will be distributed among other options such as new loans and 30-year par notes with an interest rate of 6.75 per cent.

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#90344d2690 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MEXICO CITY (DEC. 10) - Mexico lowered the prices of the crude oil it exports last month to bring it in line with the prices of other crudes, such as West Texas Intermediate, PEMEX announced Monday.

The state-owned firm said in a written statement that the lower prices affected all three types of crude oil exported to the United States, Europe and the Far East.

The statement said that on the American market light Isthmus crude sold for 30.22 dollars a barrel in November, down from 3.54 dollars; heavy Maya crude went for 24.67 dollars a barrel, down 1.62 dollars; and extra-light Olmeca was priced at 32.51 dollars a barrel, down 2.77 dollars.

In the Far East, light crude dropped 3.35 dollars a barrel to sell for 30.67 dollars, while the price of the heavier crude fell 3.32 dollars to sell for 24.34 dollars.

The Mexican petroleum company announced that Mexico exported an average of 1,357,000 barrels a day, 58 per cent of which went to the United States. Spain

imported 15.5 per cent and Far Eastern countries purchased 12.1 per cent.

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#90344d2760 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (DEC. 11) - The state oil firm Pertamina has invited foreign and national oil companies to explore for oil and gas in nine blocks in eastern Indonesia, the official Antara news agency said Tuesday.

Antara quoted Pertamina President Director Faisal Abda'oe as saying that the nine blocks on tender were Satengar and Sailus in Lombok island, Spermonde off South Sulawesi, Uta, Tanimbar and Halmahera in the Molluccas islands and in Dili, Kailaka and Jaco in East Timor.

Oil companies usually operate in Indonesia under production sharing contracts, with a split formula of 85:15 in Pertamina's favour for any oil found. The ratio is 70:30 for natural gas.

The government however has offered various additional tax and financial incentives for so-called frontier territories, mostly in yet untapped areas in eastern Indonesia, where experts believe there is the potential of good finds.

Indonesia has taken various measures in the last two years to encourage more exploration as its oil reserves have come under pressure from soaring domestic demand, while new oil discoveries have been slow.

Officials have warned that unless new reserves were found, Indonesia, a member of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries, could become a net oil importer by the turn of the century.

A total of 50 oil companies, mostly American, are currently operating in Indonesia in 84 different blocks, Mr. Abda'oe said.

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#90344d2830 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 11) - An emerald and diamond ring which belonged to the late U.S. film star Ava Gardner was sold at auction here for 209,000 pounds (397,000 dollars) on Monday, officials at Sotheby's said.

The Van Cleef and Arpels ring, which had been valued at 150,000 pounds, was one of 24 pieces owned by Miss Gardner which were sold for a total of 355,000 pounds (690,000 dollars).

The actress died at her London home in January this year.

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#90344d7010 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 10) - Some 4.46 milllion employees of central and local government and state-run corporations, including Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, received a total of 3.16 trillion yen (24.3 billion dollars) in winter bonuses Monday, government officials said.

The bonuses averaged about 708,500 yen (5,450 dollars) per person or 2.5 times the average monthly salary, the same level as last year, they said.

But the civil servants expect additional bonuses by the end of this year as the Japanese Diet (parliament) is expected to pass a bill on wage hikes for public-sector officials in its session convened Monday, the officials said.

Supreme Court Chief Justice Ryohachi Kusaba topped the bonus list with 4.85 million yen (37,300 dollars), followed by Mr. Kaifu with 4.81 million yen (37,000 dollars).

In the private sector, Japanese city banks have estimated that the bonuses of private company employees totaled about 21 trillion yen (151.5 billion dollars), making a grand total of 24 trillion yen (184.6 billion dollars) in bonuses in the public and private sectors.

Japanese employees receive bonuses semi-anually, in summer and winter, which are regarded as a portion of their annual salary.

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#90344d7100 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 10) - Nissan Motor Co., Ltd. said Monday it had decided to cancel its previously planned license production of Volkwagen AG's new Passat cars in Japan as the car has proved unpopular to Japanese buyers.

Nissan officials said Nissan had plans to start production of the new 2000 cc Passat car next summer under a license agreement with the German carmaker.

But the company decided to cancel the plan because sales of imported Passat cars have reached only 200 vehicles a month, compared to the projected 700 units, they said.

Nissan, which began selling the German cars in May this year, plans to continue marketing the imported Passat car in Japan, they said.

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#90344d7330 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (DEC. 10) - Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke on Monday accused the European Community (EC) of "massive hypocrisy" over international trade.

Mr. Hawke told the Foreign Correspondents' Association here that the blame for the collapse of talks on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) in Brussels last week "lies directly with the European Community."

The final ministerial conference of the Uruguay Round of GATT failed to produce a compromise on farm subsidies between the EC and its critics -- the United States and the Cairns Group of agricultural producers led by Australia.

This failure, Mr. Hawke said, cast doubt on the EC's future.

He described the EC's progress towards economic union in 1992 as "one of the great and beneficial acts of statesmanship this century" for bringing peace and prosperity to western Europe.

But, he went on, "if Europe will sacrifice GATT to protect agriculture, how can we fail to fear that Europe '92 will be Fortress '92, a self-seeking and powerful trade bloc, where it could be and should be an outward-looking and constructive world leader?"

Mr. Hawke said that reforms to international trade were among the great challenges facing those "building a new architecture in the aftermath of the Cold War."

The challenge was "to understand that it is not only pointless, but massively hypocritical, to insist upon market economics in the former command economies and the Third World if we do not heed exactly the same injunction in the international trading system."

He insisted that the "massive hypocrisy" was that of the EC.

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#90344d7420 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (DEC. 10) - Australia's second largest newspaper publisher, John Fairfax Group, went into receivership Monday, the latest media empire to crumble.

Fairfax joined commercial television networks Seven and Ten in receivership after the company's bankers led by ANZ Banking Group refused to roll over a 850 million Australian dollar (655 million U.S.) debt.

The banking syndicate sought the appointment of Deloitte Ross Tohmatsu as receiver to the group which publishes three of Australia's most influential newspapers: The Sydney Morning Herald, founded 159 years ago, The Age of Melbourne and The Australian Financial Review.

Simultaneously the directors of the group, which is the main competitor of Rupert Murdoch's News Ltd., applied for a liquidator to the company's financial

arm.

Peter Walker of liquidators Ferrier Hodgson and Co. said the group had debts of 1.7 billion Australian dollars (1.3 billion U.S.) of which 1.2 billion dollars (920 million U.S.) was owed to banks, mainly the ANZ Bank and Citibank.

A further 450 million dollars (345 million U.S.) was junk bonds issued by collapsed firm Drexel Burnham Lambert of the United States while the remaining 50 million dollars (39 million U.S.) was owed to smaller creditors, he said.

Shares in ANZ Bank sagged 16 cents to 3.46 dollars in late trading before the announcement that Fairfax had gone into receivership.

The financial woes of Fairfax stem from the 2.1 billion Australian dollar (1.6 billion U.S.) privatisation of the group by 29-year-old Warwick Fairfax, great-great-grandson of founder John Fairfax.

The bid, launched just before world stockmarkets collapsed in 1987, left the company 75 per cent owned by Warwick, while the remaining 25 per cent was owned by his mother, Lady Mary Fairfax, who had no voting rights.

The company has been wracked by board squabbles and resignations in the past four months as directors tried to force Warwick Fairfax to come to terms with falling advertising revenue and mounting debt.

Chairman Bryan Kelman, director Bob Johnston, a former head of the Reserve (central) Bank, and Chief Executive Chris Anderson quit in August leaving Warwick the only board member, after the young proprieter rejected a debt-refinancing program that would have slashed his equity to as little as five per cent.

The receivership leaves prized newspapers open for new owners.

Mr. Murdoch has been reported to be one of the high-fliers circling Fairfax. He has described the Herald and The Age as two of the world's great newspapers.

But he has been reported as saying that the government would ban him from increasing his already sizable newspaper empire in Australia.

Another touted suitor for the job is Kerry Packer, who recently regained control of the Nine Television network from Alan Bond for 725 million dollars (558 million U.S.), three years after he sold it to the West Australian entrepreneur for one billion dollars (770 million U.S.).

The receivership is the latest blow for Australia's media, struggling as the economy is in recession.

Late last year the commercial Seven Network went into receivership after the

collapse of owner Christoper Skase's Qintex group. It has still to find a buyer.

In September the commercial Ten Network was placed in receivership.

Mr. Murdoch's empire is struggling, the parent company News Corp. recently having its debt downgraded to just above default levels by the Australian arm of Standard and Poor's.

Barings Brothers Burrows and Partners, speaking on behalf of the banks which put Fairfax into receivership, said the banks wanted to keep Fairfax a single entity and "to continue all Fairfax's current business operations with full editorial independence.

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#90344d7550 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 10) - There were more unusual bird sightings in Britain at the weekend after storm winds blew a rare Arctic lesser white-fronted goose and thousands of little auks off course, bird experts said Monday.

Some 2,300 little auks were spotted during a three-hour period Sunday near Aberdeen, Scotland while hundreds more of the small seabirds were seen further inland. One appeared on a lake in the northern city of Leeds.

Bird watchers gathered at the Wildfowl and Wetland Trust headquarters in the central English town of Slimbridge to see the lesser white-fronted goose which was carried south from the Arctic Circle by the winds.

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#90344d7560 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DOHA (DEC. 10) - Foreign ministers from the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) appealed here Monday for a peaceful resolution in the Gulf but also backed the option of using force to drive Iraqi troops out of Kuwait.

The ministers issued the call in a statement following a meeting to prepare for a GCC summit here December 22. The council groups Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Qatar and Bahrain.

Qatari Foreign Minister Mubarak al-Khater, asked about GCC involvement in forthcoming U.S.-Iraqi talks, told journalists "the members of the council have an indirect role in the dialogue."

But he stressed that the purpose of the dialogue was to "complete the United Nations Security Council resolutions" demanding an unconditional Iraqi withdrawl.

"The idea of making concessions to the Iraqi regime is not a subject for discussion," Mr. Khater said.

While the GCC prefers a peaceful solution, "the military option is not to be discarded," he added.

In an address Sunday Mr. Khater described the Iraqi seizure of Kuwait August 2 as "an aggression against all members of the GCC" and urged the council to strengthen its collective defensive capabilities.

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#90344d7630 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 10) - Russian-born writer Boris Kochno, who worked with Diaghilev in the last period of the Ballets Russes died on Saturday night, friends announced on Monday. He was 86.

Born in Moscow in 1904, Kochno met the famous choreographer in 1922 and became his secretary and artistic advisor, writing several ballets for the celebrated troupe.

After Diaghilev's death in 1929, he directed the company and after World War II co-founded the Champs Elysees ballet company, giving Roland Petit the opportunity to create his first ballets.

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#90344d7760 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (DEC. 10) - The Jordanian cabinet is to be reshuffled in the next few days to include four to five members of the Islamic fundamentalist Moslem Brotherhood for the first time in the country's history, a government source disclosed Monday.

Among the posts expected to go to the fundamentalists is the education ministry, a position long sought by the Moslem Brotherhood.

More than half the members of the new cabinet will be drawn from parliament, the source said, in a reshuffle that follows the November 17 election as speaker of Moslem Brotherhood spokesman Abdel Latif Arabiyat.

Islamic fundamentalists, of whom 22 are members of the Brotherhood, gained 31 of the 80 seats in the Jordanian parliament in elections in November 1989.

Abdel Rahman Khalifeh, the leader of the Moslem Brotherhood, told AFP that discussions were currently under way with Prime Minister Moudar Badran.

"If we reach an agreement we will take part in the government," he said.

He added that his associates wanted to "ensure military security and food sufficiency for Jordan, as well as a healthy educational climate for the new generation."

Government sources said Mr. Badran was now prepared to accept a Brotherhood demand for the education portfolio, a demand he had refused in the formation of his first cabinet last January.

The other cabinet seats likely to go to Moslem Brothers are Health, Labor, Social Affairs and Agriculture.

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#90344d7770 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 10) - Chinese authorities plan to enact new rules that they say will guarantee freedom of religion while regulating its practice so as to maintain "stability of religious policy", the China Daily said Monday.

Control of religious affairs has become lax and an thorough investigation was needed was "many religious problems", the English-language paper said.

Freedom of religion and "normal" religious practice is enshrined in the Chinese constitution, but no laws regulate religious affairs, the paper said a day after the closure of a five-day conference on religion here.

The director of China's Religious Affairs Bureau, Ren Wuzhi, was quoted as saying that promulgation of the legislation would top the bureau's agenda next year.

"Religious affairs officials say the promulgation plan indicates the government's determination to guarantee the continuity and stability of religious policy," the paper said.

In practice, the Chinese leadership is keen to limit Moslem religious expression in Xinjiang, where Islamic fervour was blamed by the authorities for riots in April which officially left 20 people dead.

The official press announced the closure of 200 mosques in the far western region last week.

Buddhism, subject to persecution during the 1966-1976 Cultural Revolution,

is experiencing an revival of interest but monasteries in Tibet, accused of being separatist hotbeds are under tight surveillance.

An underground Catholic church, with some three million followers, has refused to break ties with the Vatican and join an "official" church approved by Beijing and which appoints its own clergy.

According to official statistics there are some 100 million Buddhists, 20 million Moslems, five million Protestants and 3.3 million Catholics in China.

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#90344d7800 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 10) - The U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) on Monday appealed for more than a million tonnes of food for famine-stricken Sudan, hit by drought for the second consecutive year.

In a press release here, FAO said foor shortfalls were "likely in all regions except the east" and would be worst in western regions particularly North Darfur and North Kordofan.

FAO called for one million tons of food for next year, and another 30,000 tons of cereals to replenish stocks left at "dangerously low levels" after last year's poor harvest, also hit by low rainfall.

Sudanese authorities, after initially denying famine reports, last month declared the province of North Kordofan a famine zone, the weekly New Horizon reported.

Poor rainfall has destroyed 80 per cent of millet and sorghum harvests in North Kordofan, provincial governor Colonel Faisal Medani Mukhtar, a member of Sudan's ruling junta, was quoted as saying.

FAO experts who recently visited Sudan estimated the country's 1990-91 cereal crop, now being harvested, at 2.1 million tons -- 24 per cent below average.

"Already prices on local markets have risen to levels which are beyond the purchasing power of large sections of the population, and a major and immediate relief effort is required to avert large-scale food shortages and human suffering in the coming months," FAO said.

The Netherlands granted Sudan food aid worth 15 million guilder (nine million dollars) in November.

Relief organisations are airlifting food from Nairobi to the south Sudanese town of Juba, besieged by rebels.

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#90344d7890 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WELLINGTON (DEC. 10) - New Zealand's Petrocorp Exploration will head the first foreign consortium to be awarded an exploration licence on mainland China, the firm said late Monday.

Petrocorp is to be the operator of the licence, with a 60 per cent share in a consortium which also includes two U.S. exploration companies, Santa Fe Energy Corp. (25 per cent) and Nomeco (15 per cent).

The agreement, signed in Beijing, gives the consortium the right to explore 15,900 square kilometres (6,360 square miles) in the central region of China.

The concession lies in the Dongting Basin in the southern part of a major geologic trend called the East China Rift System in which more than 25 billion barrels of oil have been discovered.

It is currently producing more than two million barrels of oil per day, approximately 80 per cent of China's production.

China is a major oil nation with proven reserves of more than 25 billion barrels of oil with many large basins unexplored or underexplored. There has been no exploration in the Dongting area since 1981.

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#90344d7900 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Moscow (DEC. 10) - The Soviet parliament Monday approved what the Tass agency called a ''landmark law'' to give trade unions broad independent rights and guarantees.

To take effect January 1, 1991, the law makes unions independent of state, economic and political authorities, the agency reported.

The law, which maps out the unions' future as the Soviet system undergoes the transition to a market economy, give the unions the right to control companies' observance of the country's labour code.

Also, in the future enterprises must inform trade unions at least three months in advance about plans to close down or suspend operations. The unions must be involved in preliminary talks to guarantee workers' interests, Tass said.

Unions will have a right to take part in consultations on adapting wages to price changes and to control the observance of legally established minimum living standards, the agency said.

Tass noted that the law meets the requirements of International Labour Organisation conventions which the Soviet Union has already ratified.

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#90344d8000 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 10) - The Hewlett-Packard computer group saw its 1990 annual profits fall by 11 per cent to 739 million dollars from 829 million in 1989, but sales rose 11 per cent to 13.2 billion dollars, the president of Hewlett-Packard France Kleber Beauvillan, said here on Monday.

Orders also rose to total 13.5 billion dollars, he said.

He said: "This fall is disappointing even if it is very positive in comparison with the results of most of our competitors."

The fall was due mainly to the cost of restructuring, and the reduction of the workforce from 95,000 people to 92,000 people. The weakness of the dollar had added to operating costs which were up 11 per cent.

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#90344d8010 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANAMA (DEC. 10) - Kuwait on Monday strongly denied reports it was engaged in secret negotiations with Baghdad in return for an Iraqi troop withdrawal from the emirate.

Exiled Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmad al-Sabah, cited by the Kuwaiti News Agency (KUNA), said a report carried by the British newspaper The Independent was "totally false."

"Kuwait is not engaged in any negotiations with Iraq ... and will not give up an inch of its territory," said Sheikh Sabah.

He also reiterated his country's demand for an unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, which Baghdad invaded on August 2 and subsequently annexed.

Kuwait is also asking for compensation.

The Independent on Sunday reported that Saudi Arabia and Kuwait were secretely sounding out Iraq to reach an agreement on the disputed Iraq-Kuwait border, with Oman acting as an intermediary.

According to the report, Kuwait would lease Iraq the Bubiyan and Warba islands in the northern Gulf for 99 years and give it the disputed Rumaila oilfields near the border region.

On Sunday Saudi Arabia, commenting on unidentified published reports, denied having agreed to concessions to Iraq in exchange for a withdrawal from Kuwait.

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#90344d8050 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (DEC. 10) - Israel Monday was weighing the expulsion of several Palestinians following two bomb attacks that killed an Israeli soldier and wounded two others, defense ministry sources said.

Defense Minster Moshe Arens has asked the security services to prepare a list of "Palestinians who could be expelled" and has himself handed the state prosecutor a demand to reduce the red tape involved.

Yehoshua Matza, a member of the ruling right-wing Likud bloc, urged the government to "expel quickly those reponsible for the attack as well as their families."

Israeli soldier Guy Friedman, 20, was killed Sunday in the occupied West Bank town of Bethlehem when two bombs exploded outside the headquarters of the military authorities at three minutes interval.

Two other soldiers were wounded in the attack - the latest in a long series of anti-Israeli assaults with knives, gunfire and other weapons since October.

(In Amman, the fundamentalist Islamic Jihad Kataeb al-Aqsa said it was responsible for the blast. The group, which is active in the Israeli-occupied territories, has claimed responsibility for attacks on Israeli targets in the past month in east Jerusalem and near Tel Aviv.)

Israeli investigators, saying Sunday's attack was prepared "Lebanese style," said the explosives had been concealed in metal tubes and placed 30 meters (yards) apart.

The bloodshed came hours after Israeli troops killed a 20-year-old Palestinian demonstrator in the occupied Gaza Strip amid celebrations marking the third anniversary of the anti-Israeli uprising.

Israeli officials "must prepare to enter a new phase" of action, wrote Monday the Davar newspaper, adding that "not one day goes by without gunshots at Israeli civilians and troops."

"The army must change its strategy. The sooner military officials understand this, the sooner they will be able to neutralise Palestinians preparing armed attacks," the military correspondent of Yedioth Aharonoth newspaper said.

Another independent daily, Hadashot, warned that "firearms, most of them stolen from army arsenals" abounded in the occupied territories.

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#90344d8100 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 10) - Japan's Toshiba Corp. said Monday it had developed a new one-megabit static random access memory (SRAM) chip with the world's fastest access time of 15 billionths of a second.

Sample shipments of the chip, whose access time is 25 per cent faster than existing one-megabit SRAMs, is scheduled to start in February with samples priced at 50,000 yen (385 dollars) each, a company statement said.

Toshiba said the new chip could also process 16 bits of information at the same time compared with existing one-megabit SRAMs, which can process only one, four or eight bits of information simultaneously.

SRAM chips can retain information longer and have a faster access time than the more widely used dynamic random access memory (DRAM) chips.

Toshiba said its new chip contained 6.3 million elements -- the same level of integration as a four-megabit DRAM.

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#90344d8130 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (DEC. 10) - The German Cartel Office said here Monday it has raised no objections to the planned takeover of the brandy company Asbach by the British alcoholic beverages firm Guinness plc.

The office said that Guinness, with its various gin and whisky products, would not be adding to its market share in Germany for these products with its takeover of the brandy maker.

Guinness and Asbach announced two weeks ago the plans for the British firm to acquire a 67.5 per cent of Asbach.

Guinness in 1989 had a group turnover of 3.1 billion pounds sterling and pre-tax profits of 691 million pounds. Asbach in 1989 reached a turnover of almost 470 million marks (317 million dollars).

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#90344d8150 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 10) - Retail sales in Britain fell a seasonally adjusted 0.5 per cent in November compared with October, the Central Statistical Office said Monday.

Wholesale prices in the same period rose 0.2 per cent.

Analysts had forecast a 0.2 per cent fall in retail sales and a 0.3 per cent rise in wholesale prices.

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#90344d8170 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 10) - The firm recent trend in the dry cargo market continued over the past week, supported by the Soviet Union's announcement of major food import plans, dealers said.

The Baltic International Freight Futures Exchange (BIFFEX)'s Baltic Freight Index finished the week up 103 points at 1,451, although by the end of the week dealers were saying the market was overbought and anticipating an easier trend.

Some dealers indicated disappointment that the level of Soviet purchases was not actually higher, but nominal quotes on the important U.S. Gulf to Japan grain route were still significantly up at 25.75 dollars per tonne, against 24.20 dollars at the end of the previous week.

The increase in nominal rates reflected a fixture for a 52,000 tonne vessel made on the physical market at 25.50 dollars per tonne against 23.50 dollars two weeks previously.

The grain route between the U.S. Gulf and northern Europe was also markedly firmer, with nominal quotes up from 13.460 dollars per tonne the previous week, to 15.750 dollars per tonne. Again, this reflected movement on the physical market with a 55,000 tonne ship on the U.S. Gulf to AntwerpRotterdam route securing 14.15 dollars per tonne, compared to 13.30 dollars two weeks previously.

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#90344d8190 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRAGUE (DEC. 10) - President Vaclav Havel of Czechoslovakia asked parliament Monday to strengthen his own powers until a new constitution is approved to resolve a dispute over control of its two constituent republics.

In a televised address, Mr. Havel said he would send parliament a bill within a few days "to reinforce presidential powers".

He also said he had sent parliament draft legislation providing for a constitutional court to be set up and the introduction of referendums.

Mr. Havel said the laws should help find a "constitutional solution to a political conflict" between Slovaks and Czechs over the prerogatives of the federal and local governments.

Slovakia threatened Thursday to vote in legislation giving preeminence to its own laws over those of the federal government in Prague.

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#90344d8200 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 10) - The first batch of British hostages freed under Saddam Hussein's latest decree returned here Monday to tearful reunions with their families and recounted the four harrowing months they spent in hiding or captivity.

"I consider myself to be a very lucky man to be alive here back with my family " said Keith Swaden, 34, who until a few days ago lived in hiding in a Kuwait City villa along with three friends.

"It seems like a nightmare that is now all over. We tried not to think of the dangers but the possibility of being killed was always there," Mr. Swaden said.

Mr. Swaden was one of 91 British hostages who returned aboard a British Airways flight to London's Heathrow airport after being airlifted aboard a U.S.-chartered Iraqi Airways flight to Frankfurt on Sunday.

An additional 10 Britons who were aboard the flight from Baghdad to Germany had decided not to return immediately to Britain, a Foreign Office spokesman said.

Fifteen more Britons also arrived here Monday aboard a British Airways flight from Rome where they had spent the night after being evacuated from Iraq, airport authorities said.

Mr. Swaden described how he and his companions were informed by telephone within hours of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and had had enough time to stock up on supplies before going into hiding.

A Filipino maid at the villa also smuggled in supplies during the group's period in hiding, Mr. Swaden said, adding that it was the fear of capture more than poor living conditions that compounded their anxiety.

"We heard intermittent shooting and shelling and on one occasion some shells landed near us which was frightening," he said. At one point, a group of Iraqi soldiers raided a neighboring house and they thought their own capture was imminent.

Harvey May, a 45-year-old banker, spent much of the past four months held hostage at Kuwait University along with a number of other detainees.

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#90344d8230 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MUNICH (DEC. 10) - Siemens announced here Monday it has set up a joint venture in Rumania to produce digital telephone and transmission equipment.

The German company said it would hold a 49 per cent share in the ''Encom'' venture. Electromagnetica and Rom Post Telecom, a subsidiary of the Rumanian post office, will hold the majority share.

Investments of some 20 million marks (13.6 million dollars) were foreseen for production facilities. Manufacturing of the digital equipment will begin in 1991 and by 1993 output is to reach 500,000 telephone links per year, Siemens said.

Rumania has become the fifth East European country where Siemens has established telecommunication equipment joint ventures. The others are the Soviet Union, Poland, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia. dpa ds 101255 Dez 90

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#90344d8250 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 10) - Scottish and Newcastle breweries, one of the six biggest British breweries, on Monday reported a 32 per cent increase in pre-tax interim profits to 115.1 million pounds (222 million dollars) compared with the same period last year.

Sales rose by 11.2 per cent to 682.3 million pounds from 613.2 million, and earnings per share rose from 14.6 pence to 17.6 pence. The interim dividend was set at 5.1 pence compared with 4.4 pence.

The results were in line with analysts' forecasts. The shares rose seven pence to 374 pence.

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#90344d8290 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Manila (DEC. 10) - Government troops killed at least 18 communist rebels in separate clashes during the weekend, Major-General Guillermo Flores, the army chief, reported Monday.

The clashes took place in Davao, Misamis Occidental and Zamboanga del Sur on the southern Philippine island of Mindanao. The army said there were no casualties on the government side.

In a separate incident, suspected hitmen of the outlawed New People's Army barged into a workers meeting in a suburban university and shot and killed two labour leaders shortly before noon Monday, police said.

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#90344d8300 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 10) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would "accept as a basis for

talks" the idea of an Arab force replacing Iraqi troops in Kuwait "for a temporary period", a French philosopher who met with him recently said here Monday.

Under the plan, philosopher Roger Garaudy told Agence France-Presse, the exchange would go ahead simultaneously with "the lifting of the (United Nations-imposed trade) blockade" and "an American withdrawal".

Several hundred thousand U.S. troops have been deployed in the Gulf region at the head of a multi-national force in the wake of the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Garaudy, a convert to Islam and former member of the French Communist Party leadership, met with Mr. Hussein on Wednesday during a visit to Baghdad that he described as "strictly private".

They discussed a "five-point peace plan" devised by Mr. Garaudy which provided for an "Arab solution" under which troops from Arab North African countries would take over from Iraqi occupying forces in Kuwait and an international Middle East peace conference would be convened, he said.

However the plan would also bar the emir of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah, from returning to power.

Iraq and the United States have agreed to hold talks on the Gulf crisis but are locked in dispute over the date on which their envoys should meet.

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#90344d8320 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 10) - Production at the Mooinooi chrome mine near Rustenburg, 100 kilometres (62 miles) west of here, was halted Monday after weekend clashes between miners and security officials which left one miner dead, mine administrators Genmin said.

The mine would remain closed until its labour problems had been solved, a spokesman for Genmin said.

The clashes erupted when about 40 miners left their hostel around midnight on Saturday, threatened mine security officials and continued to advance after being warned to disperse.

One miner died and six were injured when the security officials opened fire, the spokesman said.

Saturday's incident followed the sacking of 500 workers on Tuesday last week after the miners allegedly refused to comply with certain underground safety rules.

The sacked workers had been allowed to remain at the mine pending the outcome of their appeal against dismissal, the spokesman added.

He said representatives of the giant National Union of Mineworkers (NUM) will meet with Mooinooi management Tuesday to try and solve the labour dispute.

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#90344d8410 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 10) - More than 300 freed hostages, most of them British, were Monday preparing to leave Baghdad, but further steps toward a peaceful resolution in the Gulf were complicated by a row over when U.S. and Iraqi officials would meet here.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and National Security Advisor Brent Scowcroft also hinted that Washington's opposition to Iraq might not be totally alleviated by an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Both men in television interviews Sunday said there would be continued concern over Iraq's chemical weapons arsenal and reports that it is seeking to acquire a nuclear weapons capacity.

Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, meanwhile, denied British press reports that they were engaged in secret negotiations with Iraq that would allow Baghdad to lease two strategically important Kuwaiti islands, Bubiyan and Warba, and to keep the Rumaila oil field in return for Iraq's withdrawal from the emirate.

Despite the current diplomatic snags, last week's decision by Iraqi authorities to release an estimated 3,000 Western and Japanese nationals, held to deter a U.S.-led attack, raised hopes for a diplomatic solution to the four-month-old crisis.

Iraq over the weekend moved quickly to implement the measure, freeing nearly 580 U.S., British and other foreigners and allowing them to leave.

Two Iraqi Airways flights left here Sunday for Frankfurt and Rome and another Boeing 747 was due to fly to London later Monday with an estimated 350 Britons according to the Foreign Office.

Of that figure, around 220 had been held as "human shields" at strategic sites all over the country, the Foreign Office said, adding that they had all been transferred to the capital on Sunday.

Another flight to London, along with one to Frankfurt, was being arranged for Tuesday.

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#90344d8430 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC. 10) - The Belgian central bank on Monday increased the interest rate on its three-month treasury certificates from 9.50 per cent to 9.70 per cent.

It was the fifth increase in the rate for these instruments since November 16 under a policy to link the Belgian franc to the Deutschemark which was introduced earlier this year.

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#90344d8460 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAKARTA (DEC. 10) - Sun Alliance plc of Britain has set up a joint venture insurance firm with top Indonesian investors, the official Antara news agency reported Monday.

PT Sun Alliance Insurance Indonesia was formed with a capital of 15 billion rupiah (7.93 million dollars) with the British firm holding 60 per cent of the equity, Antara said.

The other shareholders are PT Tugu Pratama Indonesia, Indonesia's largest insurance firm partly owned by the state oil firm Pertamina, with 30 per cent and William Suryadjaya, owner of the widely diversified conglomerate Astra Group, with 10 per cent.

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#90344d8470 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Oslo (DEC. 10) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev Monday received here the Nobel Peace Prize for his leading role in the international process of disarmament and democratisation.

Soviet deputy foreign minister Anatoly Kovalyov accepted the prize of 4 million kroner (about 748,000 dollars) on Gorbachev's behalf.

In the acceptance speech delivered by Kovalyov, Gorbachev said he was ''deeply and personally moved'' by having been awarded the prize.

''I intend to do everything in my power in order to fulfill the expectations and hopes of my people and all others who supported the decision of the Nobel committee,'' Gorbachev said.

The Soviet president did not attend the ceremony due to a ''heavy workload'', and the Norwegian Nobel committee last month turned down his request for a postponement of the awarding ceremony.

Dynamite producer Alfred Nobel established the fund for the prize. He died in

1896 on December 10, which has been the day of the awards ceremony without fail since 1901.

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#90344d8570 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (DEC. 10) - The Danish balance of payments on current account showed a surplus of 7.3 billion krone (1.3 billion dollars) during the first 10 months of the year, compared with a deficit of 4.2 billion krone (736 million dollars) during the same period of last year, official figures showed on Monday.

Economy Minister Niels Helveg Petersen said that this was "a good, historic result" and he noted that during the last 12 months the balance showed a surplus of five billion krone (877 million dollars).

Danish financial experts said that the balance was heading for the first annual surplus in 1990 for 27 years.

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#90344d8660 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 10) - The French Air Liquide group, which leads the world in industrial gases, announced on Monday that it was investing nearly one billion French francs (about 200 million dollars) in Asia.

The company also said it expected 1990 profits to be about 10 per cent higher than in 1989. First-half net profits rose by 12 per cent to one billion francs (200 million dollars). In 1989 consolidated net profits were 1.8 billion francs (360 million dollars).

About half of the investment in the construction or modernisation of factories would be made in Japan, the company said.

Air Liquide already makes 13 per cent of its sales in Asia, where it will build, modernise or enlarge nine production units with the emphasis being on the market for gas for the electronics industry.

The company has been present in Japan since 1907 and holds 20 per cent of the market, compared with 40 per cent for Nippon Sanso.

Air Liquide will build three factories for the production of gas, mainly nitrogen and oxygen through its Teisan subsidiary.

Two other plants with bigger capacity will be built in association with other industrial companies.

A big centre for packaging special gases for electronics near Tokyo has just

been opened. It will supply Japan and Southeast Asia, where demand is growing.

In South Korea, Daesung Sanso, in a joint venture involving Air Liquide, will build a plant for producing nitrogen and oxygen for the petro-chemical industry. Daesung Sanso alrady has three plants in the country.

In Taiwan, where Air Liquide recently put an air gas plant into service, the group will build a unit capable of turning out many kinds of gases for the Texas Instrument Acer company.

A similar unit is to be built in China near Shanghai, particularly to supply Philips.

Air Liquide said that "these big investments confirm the desire of Air Liquide to develop in Asia and to progress in the electronics sector".

The plants would supply the Japanese electronics industry, and the group hopes that in this way it would gain easier access to European electronics groups.

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#90344d8670 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (DEC. 10) - A radical Palestinian group, the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, on Monday claimed responsibility for a bomb attack on the West Bank that killed one Israeli soldier and wounded two.

The PFLP-GC in a statement here said one of its components active in the Israeli-occupied territories had set off two bombs in Bethlehem on Sunday as an Israeli patrol was passing by.

The army said a 20-year-old soldier was killed in the attack and two soldiers were slightly injured.

In Amman, another group active in the territories, the fundamentalist Islamic Jihad Kataeb al-Aqsa, also said it was behind the explosions.

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#90344d8700 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 10) - The African Commission for Human and People's Rights on Monday urged African governments to recognise the rights, duties and freedom of their citizens.

The commission, in a statement issued here by its president Orji Umezurike, to mark the 42nd anniversary of the declaration of human rights, urged governments on the continent to adopt legislative and other measures to give effect to the rights of their citizens.

African governments should render periodic reports, disseminate knowledge of the commission's charter and cooperate with the commission in the discharge of its duties, the statement said.

The commission also called on countries that had not ratified the charter to do so to make it a truly African document.

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#90344d8930 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Hamburg (DEC. 10) - Demand for petroleum products, in keeping with the overall condition of the economy, is showing robust growth in western Germany in 1990, while oil product sales are putting in a mixed performance in eastern Germany, it was reported here Monday.

''Erdoel Informationsdienst'', a petroleum industry newsletter, said a survey taken of oil firms pointed to petroleum sales rising by 4 million tonnes or about 4 per cent, to 103 million in western Germany this year.

In eastern Germany, where statistical data was less comprehensive, petroleum products demand was seen at somewhere between 12 and 14 million tonnes. While demand for fuel by private car owners is rising there, industrial demand for oil is dropping, the report said.

The newsletter said that in western Germany, gasoline sales were expected to reach 26.8 million tonnes, up from last year's 26 million tonnes, while diesel sales will rise by one million tonnes to total 18 million.

The strongest rise in western Germany is in light heating oil, sales of which are expected to rise to 31 million tonnes this year compared to the 1989 level of 28.4 million, the report said.

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#90344d9030 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 10) - French air traffic will be severely disrupted on Tuesday and Wednesday due to a strike by air traffic controllers of the Athis Mons center, the nation's most important one, union sources said on Monday.

The controllers are demanding more staff and an additional allowance reflecting the "specific nature" of the Athis Mons center, which handles traffic for all northern France.

Domestic airline Air Inter was forced to cancel almost half of scheduled flights for Tuesday and Wednesday, the company announced.

National carrier Air France will maintain only half of its medium-range flights on the two days, it announced, but all long-distance flights will be

maintained.

Air France will also cancel a few flights Monday evening and Thursday morning in connection with the work stoppage.

British Airways announced Monday that it had been authorized to maintain only three flights from Paris to London on the two days: two on Tuesday and one on Wednesday. Flights between Paris and Birmingham, Glasgow, Edinburgh and Manchester have been cancelled for the two days.

British Airways normally has 10 Paris-to-London flights a day.

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#90344d9370 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Ruesselsheim (DEC. 10) - Adam Opel, the German carmaking subsidiary of the General Motors concern, said here Monday it will sign an agreement Thursday to pave the way for a new car assembly plant in eastern Germany.

Opel said that the one billion-mark (680 million dollar) project foresees production starting up in Eisenach, about 250 kilometres southwest of Berlin, at the end of 1992. The plant is to produce 150,000 ''Corsa'' and ''Kadett'' cars annually.

The agreement will be signed in Berlin on Thursday with the Treuhandanstalt, the trust office facility set up to privatise the former East Germany's nationally-owned companies.

Eisenach is currently the site where the eastern German ''Wartburg'' car is produced.

Opel said the factory at Eisenach will not have its own engine manufacturing or chassis plants.

The engines for the Opel cars made in Eisenach will be supplied by a Gm company in Hungary while chassis components will be delivered from Opel plants in Ruesselsheim, Bochum and Kaiserslautern. The transmissions will likely be provided from Czechoslovakia.

Opel becomes the third German automotive company which has announced plans for assembly plants in the former East Germany. Volkswagen will be producing cars and Mercedes-Benz has a project to build trucks in eastern Germany.

Opel chief executive Louis Hughes said last week his company expected, as in the cases of Vw and Mercedes, to receive official state subsidies of up to 33 per cent of its investment costs in the project.

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#90344d9390 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 10) - The troubled British food group Berisford International on Monday announced that it had sold its main subsidiary British Sugar to Associated British Foods (ABF) for 880 million pounds (1.7 billion dollars) on Saturday.

Despite a pre-tax profit of 110 million pounds from British Sugar, Berisford reported an annual net loss of 91 million pounds (175 million dollars).

The sale will help Berisford reduce debts totalling 1.2 billion pounds (2.3 billion dollars).

Under a refinancing agreement reached with creditors in September, the group must repay all debts by June 31.

ABF, which held 23 per cent of Berisford, made a takeover bid in 1987, but then dropped its plan because of the stock market crisis.

Berisford said that in 1990 it made a loss per share of 18.3 pence compared with a profit of 15.7 pence a year earlier. A final dividend was not declared.

Heavy losses were made in property consequent on a disastrous diversification in New York by former chairman Ephraim Margulies who resigned at the beginning of the year and was replaced by John Sclater.

Berisford shares lost 2.5 pence to 26 pence. ABF shares rose 25 pence to 422 pence.

On July 5 Berisford had put all of its assets up for sale in response to bad interim results, and has already sold several of its financial services subsidiaries.

An earlier attempt by Tate and Lyle to buy British Sugar did not succeed because of official objections that Tate and Lyle would have dominated more than 90 per cent of the British sugar market.

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#90344d9440 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Cairo (DEC. 10) - Egypt and India signed an agreement on cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy here on Monday, the Egyptian news agency Mena said.

The five-year accord, which comes into effect in January, also provides for cooperation in x-ray technology in the medical and industrial fields.

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#90344d9940 12/10/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Baghdad (DEC. 10) - Another 200 Iraqi prisoners of war returned home Monday after they were released by Iran in line with an agreement reached by the two former Gulf War adversaries last month, Radio Baghdad reported.

An Iraqi plane flew the Pows home from Teheran, it said.

It was the ninth batch of Iraqi prisoners freed by Iran since the two sides agreed to resume the exchange of prisoners during a November visit to Baghdad by Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati.

Iran and Iraq fought a bitter eight-year war that ended in August 1988. The two nations restored diplomatic ties last October.

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#90344e0031 12/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Rome (DEC. 10) EFE - A helicopter Monday plucked all seven crew members from a Spanish container ship that was in danger of sinking off the port of Naples in the Tyrrhenian Sea, naval sources said Monday.

The 1,000-tonne Comandante Rocio put out of Naples on the west coast of Italy on Sunday bound for the eastern Spanish port of Valencia but was hit almost immediately by a force eight gale.

The captain sent out a distress signal as the ship began listing to one side.

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#90344e0033 12/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Santiago (DEC. 10) EFE - The world's most powerful optical telescope, a four-lens array giving 16 square meters of reflective surface, will be assembled over the next decade in the desert terrain of northern Chile, scientists announced Monday in Santiago.

The so-called Very Large Telescope, will be sited at Cerro Parral, on the Pacific coast 130 km south of Antofagasta, said Hugo Schwartz of the European Southern Observatory (ESO) consortium which is funding the project.

The observatory will cost dlrs 300 million and take 10 years to complete. When finished, its lenses will be able to focus clearly on an object one meter in diameter on the surface of the moon.

"Chile was chosen on account of the quality of its skies," said Schwartz, after studies indicated that Cerro Parral, 2,684 meters above sea level, had a 75 per cent probability of providing astronomers with crystal-clear night skies.

He said prospects of political stability was also a factor in settling on the northern Chilean site following a two-year search of southern hemisphere locations.

"Up to now we have not been able to carry out important research necessary to determine the origins of the universe and its basic structure, because we haven't had a proper telescope," Schwartz added.

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#90344e0035 12/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Moscow (DEC. 10) EFE - Two Italian engineers have been found murdered near the Soviet city of Volgograd where they had gone to work on the construction of a metals plant, the Soviet news agency TASS reported Monday.

TASS listed the dead as R. Mabelli and E. Gabazzi but did not say how or why the two were believed to have been killed.

The men were among a group of 30 Italian technicians who arrived in Volgograd last Wednesday on a charter flight from Genoa, Italy. The group was awaiting transportation to the nearby town of Volzhskiy where they were to live.

The bodies of the two engineers were apparently found in Volzhskiy, located about 40 km from Volgograd. It was unclear why or how the men had traveled from Volgograd to Volzhskiy.

The Interior Ministery is investigating the case, TASS reported.

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#90344e0041 12/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (DEC. 10) EFE - Share prices rose slightly on the Madrid exchange Monday, with the general index gaining 1.75 points to close the day at 241.20.

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#90344e0057 12/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MANAGUA (DEC. 10) EFE - The Nicaraguan Supreme Court Monday ordered the arrest of a U.S. millionaire who the Costa Rican government wants extradited to face drug-trafficking and arms-dealing charges, court officials said.

The San Jose government Friday asked Nicaragua to extradite fugitive businessman John Hull Clark, who has been accused of drug trafficking and illegal arms sales in Costa Rica.

According to Nicaraguan press reports, Hull was allegedly involved in the U.S. Iran-Contra scandal in which profits from illegal arms sales to Tehran were diverted to fund rightist Nicaraguan Contra rebels.

The Contras waged an eight-year war in a bid to topple the leftist Sandinistas who ruled from 1979 until losing elections earlier this year.

Foreign Ministry officials Friday said Hull, who entered Nicaragua with his daughter in August, had not been seen since last Tuesday.

An Interior Ministry source said that Hull was possibly in central Nicaragua, where he received support from anti-Sandinista politicians.

Hull had set himself up in the central Nicaraguan town of Juigalpa in order to invest in ranch and forestry projects.

The millionaire's daughter and five of his assistants have also been missing since Friday.

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#90344e0058 12/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
GUATEMALA CITY (DEC. 10) EFE - The U.S. head of a Roman Catholic order claimed Monday that the Guatemalan government had done little to investigate the kidnapping, torture and rape last year of one of the order's nuns because police were implicated in the crime.

Sister Superior Francisca Virgen of the U.S. Ursuline Order told press that the government had done little to clear up the attack on Sister Diana Mark Ortiz, a U.S. citizen, because Guatemalan policemen were "directly responsible" for the crime.

Virgen handed press a statement claiming members of a police partol had seized Ortiz, 31, in the town of Antigua Guatemala, 45 km south of the capital, in November 1989 then "brutally" tortured her.

A special commission set up by President Vinicio Cerezo in April has yet to report on the case.

A member of the Ursuline mission in Guatemala said Monday that if the government did not fully investigate the case, the order would ask Washington to freeze its aid package to the country next year.

The United States has earmarked some dlrs 125 million in assistance to Guatemala for 1991.

Ortiz returned to the United States shortly after the incident took place.

Meanwhile, two U.S. congressmen in Guatemala to investigate human rights abuses claimed Monday that some Guatemalan security force members continued to violate citizen's rights.

Democrats Constance Morella and Frederick Boucher made the claim after meeting Defense Minister Gen. Juan Leonel Bolanos over the weekend.

The congressmen raised with Bolanos the issue of last week's massacre of 14 people by soldiers in the northwestern town of Santiago Atitlan.

Bolanos has pledged to bring the "full weight of the law" down on a sergeant and lieutenant implicated in the killings.

Human rights groups have claimed that security forces and proxy death squads have killed nearly 600 people this year in extra-judicial executions.

An estimated 100,000 people have been killed in political violence in Guatemala over the past 30 years, the majority by death squads, according to rights groups.

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#90344e0060 12/10/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) EFE - Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz said Monday that Baghdad would reject any peace deal that obliges Iraq to disarm without requiring a similar move by Israel.

But he said Baghdad was willing to sign an eventual regional security accord under which both Iraq and Israel would destroy their nuclear and chemical arms.

He made the comments in Baghdad in an interview with the U.S. CNN television network.

Aziz also denied U.S. government reports that Iraq has built a nuclear bomb.

Some analysts have suggested that the Gulf crisis could be solved peacefully through by a deal requiring Iraq to destroy part of its arsenal and to withdraw from Kuwait, which it occupied August 2.

U.S. President George Bush has invited Aziz to Washington for talks on the crisis and has offered to send Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad to meet Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Iraq has accepted the offer, but no dates have been confirmed.

The United States has spearheaded a multinational force in the Gulf region to prepare for possible war to drive Iraq from Kuwait, and the United Nations Security Council has authorized the use of force against Baghdad if it does not withdraw by January 15.

Saddam has called for a negotiated solution to the crisis in which talks would focus on Israel's occupation of parts of neighboring Arab countries and Syria's presence in Lebanon, as well as the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

A bipartisan group of U.S. Congress members and former diplomats Monday urged Bush to make the destruction of Iraq arsenals an objective of American policy.

The group said the United States should use force if necessary to destroy Iraq's chemical, biological and nuclear arms even if Baghdad pulls its troops out of Kuwait.

The group includes Republican Senators Richard Lugar and John McCain, Democratic Representatives Stephen Solarz and Robert Torricelli, and former ambassador to the United Nations Jeane Kirkpatrick.

On Sunday, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said in New York that "the world cannot survive" while Iraq's military capability remains intact.

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#90344h0006 12/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 10) XINHUA - A BOEING 727 BELONGING TO THE KUWAIT AIRWAYS ARRIVED IN BOMBAY FROM BAHRAIN THIS MORNING, THE FIRST FLIGHT OF THE AIRWAYS AFTER THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

THE FLIGHT INDICATED THAT KUWAIT AIRWAYS HAS RESUMED ITS OPERATION. THE AIRLINE HAS SET UP ITS BASE IN BAHRAIN AND WILL OPERATE ITS FLIGHT TO LONDON AND NEW YORK, ACCORDING TO A REPORT BY THE PRESS TRUST OF INDIA.

THE FLIGHTS WILL OPERATE TO BOMBAY ON MONDAYS, THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS EITHER WITH A BOEING 747 OR A 767, AN AIRLINES SPOKESMAN SAID.

MOST OF THE AIRLINE'S FLEET OF AIRBUS A-310S AND A-300S HAVE BEEN TAKEN BY THE IRAQI AIRWAYS.

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#90344h0012 12/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (DEC. 10) XINHUA - THE WAGES OF CHINESE WORKERS HAVE INCREASED STEADILY DURING THE SEVENTH STATE FIVE-YEAR PLAN PERIOD (1986-90), THE "PEOPLE'S DAILY" REPORTED TODAY.

THE TOTAL WAGES OF THE WORKERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY THIS YEAR WILL COME TO 296 BILLION YUAN, 2.14 TIMES THAT IN 1985, THE NEWSPAPER QUOTED THE STATE STATISTICS BUREAU AS REVEALING.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE PER CAPITA INCOME OF WORKERS IS EXPECTED TO REACH 2,130 YUAN THIS YEAR, AN INCREASE OF 85.5 PERCENT OVER 1985 OR AN AVERAGE INCREASE RATE OF 13.2 PERCENT A YEAR SINCE 1985.

THE PER CAPITA INCOME OF WORKERS IN FOREIGN-INVESTED ENTERPRISES WILL REACH 2,950 YUAN THIS YEAR WHILE THAT OF WORKERS IN STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISES WILL BE 2,260 YUAN AND WORKERS IN COLLECTIVE-OWNED ENTERPRISES WILL EARN 1,710 YUAN.

DURING THE PERIOD, THE ECONOMY IN THE COUNTRY'S COASTAL AREAS SAW A FASTER GROWTH THAN IN THE COUNTRY'S OTHER AREAS. AND THE AVERAGE WAGE ALSO INCREASED FASTER IN THE COASTAL AREAS THAN IN THE OTHER AREAS, SAID THE NEWSPAPER.

FOR INSTANCE, THE AVERAGE WAGE PER WORKER IN 12 COASTAL AREAS WAS 2,087 YUAN LAST YEAR, 7.6 PERCENT HIGHER THAN THE NATIONAL AVERAGE.

BONUSES AND SUBSIDIES NOW ACCOUNT FOR AN INCREASINGLY LARGER PART OF A WORKER'S TOTAL INCOME. THIS YEAR BONUSES AND SUBSIDIES WILL ACCOUNT FOR 40.5 PERCENT OF A WORKER'S TOTAL INCOME, COMPARED WITH 27.6 PERCENT IN 1985.

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#90344h0029 12/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
NINGBO (DEC. 10) XINHUA - THE CONSTRUCTION BANK OF CHINA IS EXPANDING ITS INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS, ACCORDING TO ZHOU HANRONG, DEPUTY PRESIDENT OF THE BANK.

ITS EXCHANGE CAPITAL TOTALLED 390 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS BY THE END OF OCTOBER THIS YEAR, UP 102.5 PERCENT OVER THE END OF LAST YEAR, AND ITS SAVINGS DEPOSITS IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE REACHED 960 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, UP 373 PERCENT.

IN ADDITION, THE BANK ISSUED 1.02 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS OF LOANS IN FOREIGN EXCHANGES TO ENTERPRISES DURING THIS PERIOD.

THE BANK HAS SET UP 113 AGENCIES ABROAD. SO FAR, IT HAS CONCLUDED FIVE AGREEMENTS ON EXPORT CREDITS WITH BANKS OF FOREIGN COUNTRIES INCLUDING SWITZERLAND, BRITAIN AND FRANCE.

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#90344h0058 12/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WELLINGTON (DEC. 10) XINHUA - NEW ZEALAND MINISTER OF FORESTRY JOHN FALLOON SAID TODAY THAT NEW ZEALAND SHOULD MAKE FULL USE OF ITS "TREMENDOUS POTENTIAL" OF FORESTRY.

HE STRESSED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE THAT MORE EFFORTS NEEDED TO BE PUT INTO PROMOTING RADIATA PINE TO MAXIMIZE THE MARKETING POTENTIAL.

NEW ZEALAND IS ONE OF THE THREE COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD THAT HAVE THE MOST RADIATA PINE PLANTATIONS. THE OTHER TWO ARE CHILE AND AUSTRALIA. TOGETHER THE THREE COUNTRIES ACCOUNT FOR ALMOST NINETY PERCENT OF THE WORLD'S TOTAL RADIATA PINE FOREST.

THE THREE COUNTRIES ARE KEEN TO PROCEED WITH TRIPARTITE TALKS TO SEEK BETTER CO-OPERATION WITH ONE ANOTHER FOR INCREASING MARKET PENETRATION. MINISTERS OF FORESTRY OF THE THREE COUNTRIES WILL MEET EARLY NEXT YEAR, THE MINISTER SAID.

NEW ZEALAND HAS BEEN SELLING VAST AREA OF RADIATA PINE FOREST. ABOUT 50 PERCENT OF THE STATE-OWNED SUCH FOREST HAS BEEN SOLD IN THE PAST FEW YEARS.

THE NEW ZEALAND FOREST SECTOR MUST MAKE RADIATA PINE THE FIRST CHOICE FOR ALL ENVIRONMENT CONSCIOUS CONSUMERS AROUND THE GLOBE, HE SAID.

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#90344h0066 12/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 10) XINHUA - NEARLY 57 PERCENT OF ADULTS IN INDIA ARE ILLITERATE, ACCORDING TO A RECENT DEMOGRAPHIC STUDY BASED ON A SAMPLE SURVEY OF 83,000 HOUSEHOLDS ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

THE STUDY NOTED THAT ABOUT ONE FOURTH OF THE ADULTS (AGED FIFTEEN YEARS AND MORE) IN THE URBAN AREAS AND 68 PERCENT IN THE RURAL PARTS FALL INTO THE ILLITERACY CATEGORY.

IN THE HINDI LANGUAGE BELT IN NORTHERN STATES, MORE THAN EIGHTY PERCENT OF THE ADULTS ARE ILLITERATES. THIS IS A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR FOR THE LOW PRODUCTIVITY AND MOTIVATIONAL LEVELS IN THE STATES, LOCAL PRESS QUOTED THE STUDY AS SAYING.

ABOUT 69 PERCENT OF RURAL HOUSEWIVES AND 37 PERCENT OF URBAN HOUSEWIVES ARE ILLITERATE IN THE COUNTRY.

THE LITERACY LEVEL OF HOUSEWIVES INCREASES WITH RISE IN FAMILY INCOME. 78 PERCENT OF HOUSEWIVES AMONG THE HOUSEHOLDS WITH A MONTHLY INCOME OF LESS THAN 750 RUPEES (41 U.S. DOLLARS) ARE ILLITERATE, WHILE THERE ARE ONLY 14 PERCENT OF ILLITERATE HOUSEWIVES AMONG HOUSEHOLDS WITH MONTHLY INCOME EXCEEDING 4,000 RUPEES (222 U.S. DOLLARS).

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#90344h0082 12/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
PYONGYANG (DEC. 10) XINHUA - SOUTH KOREAN MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS CHOL HO-JOONG INDICATED TODAY THAT SOUTH KOREA WILL NOT APPLY FOR U.N. MEMBERSHIP THIS YEAR.

ACCORDING TO RADIO REPORTS FROM SEOUL, CHOL HO-JOONG MADE THE REMARK WHILE MEETING WITH REPORTERS EARLIER IN THE DAY.

IT HAS BEEN A LONG-TERM POSITION OF SOUTH KOREA TO JOIN THE UNITED NATIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, CHOL HO-JOONG WAS QUOTED BY THE REPORTS AS SAYING.

HOWEVER, THE FOREIGN MINISTER ADDED THAT AS THE PERMANENT MEMBER COUNTRIES OF THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL ARE FOCUSING ALL THEIR ATTENTION ON THE GULF CRISIS, IT IS AN INOPPORTUNE TIME FOR SOUTH KOREA TO JOIN THE UNITED NATIONS, GIVEN THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

HE ALSO SAID THAT EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO MAKE THE NORTH CHANGE ITS POSITION ON THIS MATTER.

OBSERVERS HERE NOTED THAT CHOL HO-JOONG MADE THE DISCLOSURE JUST BEFORE THE OPENING OF THE THIRD SUMMIT MEETING BETWEEN THE NORTH AND SOUTH IN SEOUL.

THE NORTH AND SOUTH HAVE BEEN DIVIDED OVER THE ISSUE OF U.N. MEMBERSHIP, WITH THE SOUTH MAINTAINING THAT BOTH THE NORTH AND SOUTH SHOULD EACH JOIN THE INTERNATIONAL BODY SIMULTANEOUSLY. AND IF THIS CAN NOT BE REALIZED, THEN EACH SIDE MAY APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP UNILATERALLY.

BUT THE NORTH INSISTS THAT BEFORE THE REALIZATION OF KOREAN REUNIFICATION, BOTH SIDES SHOULD JOIN THE UNITED NATIONS AS ONE MEMBER.

THE TWO SIDES GROUPS HAVE FAILED TO COME TO ANY AGREEMENT ON THIS ISSUE DURING THE FIRST TWO ROUNDS OF NORTH-SOUTH SUMMIT MEETINGS.

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#90344h0083 12/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
PYONGYANG (DEC. 10) XINHUA - JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU WILL PAY AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO SEOUL IN EARLY JANUARY NEXT YEAR, SOUTH KOREA PRESIDENTIAL SPOKESMAN LEE SOO-JONG ANNOUNCED IN SEOUL TODAY.

THE EXACT DATE OF KAIFU'S VISIT WAS NOT DISCLOSED, BUT SOUTH KOREAN RADIO REPORTS SAID IT MIGHT TAKE PLACE AROUND JANUARY 9.

LEE SOO-JONG SAID THAT DURING THE VISIT, SOUTH KOREAN PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO AND KAIFU WILL HOLD TALKS TO DISCUSS, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE WORLD SITUATION, EVENTS TAKING PLACE ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION IN THE

ASIA-PACIFIC REGION.

ROH TAE WOO VISITED JAPAN IN MAY THIS YEAR. KAIFU WILL BE THE SECOND JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TO PAY AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO SEOUL, THE FIRST BEING FORMER PRIME MINISTER YASUHIRO NAKASONE WHO WAS THERE IN 1983.

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#90344h0088 12/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 10) XINHUA - THE CHINA NATIONAL OIL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (CNODC) SIGNED A CONTRACT HERE TODAY WITH THREE COMPANIES FROM NEW ZEALAND AND THE UNITED STATES TO CO-OPERATE IN PETROLEUM EXPLORATION IN THE DONGTING BASIN HUNAN PROVINCE.

A SPOKESMAN FOR CNODC SAID THAT THIS WAS THE FIRST SINO-FOREIGN PETROLEUM CONTRACT SINCE 1985 WHEN THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT DECIDED TO SEEK FOREIGN CO-OPERATION FOR DEVELOPING INLAND OIL RESOURCES IN 11 SOUTHERN PROVINCES AND REGIONS.

THE THREE FOREIGN PARTNERS ARE SANTA FE ENERGY RESOURCES INC. AND NORTHERN MICHIGAN EXPLORATION COMPANY FROM THE U.S., AND PETROLEUM EXPLORATION LTD OF NEW ZEALAND.

THE SIGNING CEREMONY WAS ATTENDED BY JAMES PAYNE, PRESIDENT OF SANTA FE ENERGY RESOURCES INC., JAMES PATEK, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF PETROLEUM EXPLORATION LTD, RICHARD BURGESS, PRESIDENT OF NORTHERN MICHIGAN EXPLORATION COMPANY, JAMES LILLEY, AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO CHINA, AND MICHAEL JOHN POWLES, NEW ZEALAND'S AMBASSADOR TO CHINA.

CHINESE STATE COUNCILLOR ZOU JIAHUA MET WITH THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS FROM THE THREE FOREIGN COMPANIES BEFORE THE SIGNING CEREMONY.

CHENG SHOULI, CNODC PRESIDENT, SAID THAT HE HOPED THIS CONTRACT WOULD PAVE THE WAY FOR MORE FOREIGN OIL COMPANIES TO COME TO CHINA FOR CO-OPERATION IN OIL EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT.

CHENG SAID THAT HIS COMPANY WAS READY TO DISCUSS CO-OPERATION POSSIBILITIES WITH FOREIGN COMPANIES IN OIL EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT IN SOUTH CHINA.

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#90344h0095 12/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 10) XINHUA - INDIA'S GARMENT EXPORTS HAVE CROSSED THE 40 BILLION RUPEES (2.35 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) MARK DURING THE FIRST 11 MONTHS OF THE CURRENT CALENDAR YEAR AGAINST AN ANNUAL TARGET OF 39 BILLION RUPEES.

OFFICIAL SOURCES SAID TODAY THAT THE PERFORMANCE HAS IN FACT ASSURED THE COMMERCE MINISTRY AN ADDITIONAL 5 BILLION RUPEES OVER AND ABOVE THE SET TARGET

FOR THE YEAR.

THIS, HOWEVER, IS SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS, NAMELY GREATER SUPPORT FROM THE GOVERNMENT. ON THEIR PART, THE AUTHORITIES ALREADY PANICKING AT THE DROP IN OVERALL EXPORTS, HAVE BEEN URGING SECTORS SUCH AS GARMENTS, HANDICRAFTS AND LEATHER, TO BOOST THEIR EXPORTS.

IN THIS CONTEXT, GARMENT EXPORTERS WHO MET SENIOR OFFICIALS OF THE COMMERCE MINISTRY, SAID THAT THE INDUSTRY WOULD REQUIRE CASH COMPENSATORY SUPPORT TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL 5 BILLION RUPEES.

THE OFFICIAL SOURCES ADDED THAT WHILE THE GOVERNMENT HAS AGREED THAT IT WILL HAVE TO GIVE A FIVE PERCENT ADDITIONAL CASH AID TO PROMOTE NON-QUOTA ITEMS, BOTH TO NON-QUOTA COUNTRIES AND QUOTA COUNTRIES, SO IT HAS NOT ACCEPTED THE REQUIREMENT BY THE EXPORTERS.

THE UNITED STATES AND THE EEC CONTINUED TO BE MAJOR IMPORTERS OF INDIAN GARMENTS, THE SOURCES SAID.

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#90344h0107 12/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (DEC. 10) XINHUA - HOMICIDES WENT UP 2 PERCENT SINCE THE BEGINNING OF 1990 OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR IN SAO PAULO.

ACCORDING TO THE REGIONAL DEPARTMENT OF POLICE REPRESENATIONS OF GREATER SAO PAULO (DEGRAN), 5,828 MURDERS HAD BEEN REGISTERED FROM JANUARY TO NOVEMBER 1989 WHILE THEY WENT UP TO 5,932 THIS YEAR, AVERAGING 16 MURDERS EVERY DAY. THE NUMBER OF INTENTIONAL HOMICIDES AND OF MURDERS FOLLOWING ARMED ROBBERIES HAS ALSO INCREASED.

DEGRAN DIRECTOR JORGE MIGUEL, THE CHIEF OF POLICE OF GREATER SAO PAULO, SAID THAT THE RISE IN THE NUMBER OF KILLINGS WAS DUE TO EASIER ACCESS TO WEAPONS. THE CIVIL POLICE CONTROLLED PRODUCTS DIVISION, THE FORMER EXPLOSIVES DEPARTMENT, THIS YEAR AUTHORIZED 29,169 PEOPLE TO HAVE WEAPONS IN THEIR HOMES WHILE REGISTERING 38,696 NEW LICENCES TO USE FIREARMS

SAO PAULO HOMICIDES DIVISION VICE-DELEGATE MARCO ANTONIO NOVAES DE PAULA SANTOS DECLARED THAT THE NUMBER OF HOMICIDES HAD GROWN OWING TO SOCIAL INSTABILITY. "THERE IS A LARGE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AND THE ASSASSINATIONS ARE MOSTLY AIMED A LOW-INCOME RESIDENTS", HE SAID.

MIGUEL ALSO EXPLAINED THAT BRAZILIAN LAWS ON MURDER ENCOURAGED IMPUNITY SINCE MURDERERS RARELY REMAINED MORE THAN FIVE YEARS IN JAIL.

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#90344h0108 12/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BRAZILIA (DEC. 10) XINHUA - ONE PLAYER WAS KILLED AND FOUR OTHERS WERE SERIOUSLY INJURED AFTER A BOLT OF LIGHTNING STRUCK A SOCCER FIELD DURING A MATCH SUNDAY IN MINAS GERAIS OF BRAZIL.

THE "FOLHA DE S. PAULO" SAID TODAY THAT THE TWO TEAMS WERE PLAYING IN THE RAIN. WHEN LIGHTNING STRUCK THE FIELD, MOST OF THE 22 PLAYERS FAINTED. VALDIR LUIS FLORENTINO, 24, WAS BURNED TO DEATH AND FOUR OTHER PLAYERS SUFFERED EXTENSIVE BURNS AND SHOCK.

THE VICTIMS WERE TAKEN TO THE URERABA HOSPITAL AND THERE WERE NO REPORTS ABOUT INJURIES OF THE SPECTATORS WATCHING THE GAME.

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#90344h0183 12/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SOFIA (DEC. 10) XINHUA - WHILE THE STUDENTS' STRIKE CONTINUED AT SOFIA UNIVERSITY, SOME OF THEIR NUMBER GATHERED AT THE BLOCKADED MAIN GATE THERE TODAY DEMANDING THAT CLASSES BE RESUMED.

THEY CALLED ON NATIONAL PRESIDENT ZHELIU ZHELEV TO TAKE ACTION TO RESTORE NORMAL SCHOOL LIFE AND THE STRIKERS TO END THEIR PROTEST.

THE STRIKE BEGAN ON NOVEMBER 5, WITH THE DEMAND THAT THE GOVERNMENT RESIGN. THIS DID ON NOVEMBER 29 BUT THE PROTEST WENT ON, WITH THE STUDENTS SAYING THEY WOULD STAY OUT UNTIL PROBLEMS OVER TEACHING, HOUSING AND SOCIETY IN GENERAL HAD BEEN RESOLVED.

LAST NIGHT, PRESIDENT ZHELEV APPEALED ON TELEVISION FOR THE STRIKE TO BE CALLED OFF.

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#90344h0184 12/10/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

PRAGUE (DEC. 10) XINHUA - FOUR MASKED GUNMEN USING TEAR GAS ROBBED A CASINO IN PLZEN OF 83,000 U.S. DOLLARS EARLY THIS MORNING, IN WHICH FOUR PERSONS WERE WOUNDED, THE CZECHOSLOVAK NEWS AGENCY CTK REPORTED.

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#90344j0001 12/10/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

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Nightline (ABC) December 6, 1990 (Transcript #2489)

Saddam Hussein Says He'll Release All Hostages: The Iraqi Foreign Ministry says Saddam Hussein will free all foreign hostages in Iraq and Kuwait. How is Bush administration policy affected and what was the effect of Congressional discussions?

Crossfire (CNN) December 6, 1990 (Transcript #198)

What's Saddam Up To?: Rep. Stephen Solarz, Geoffrey Kemp of the Reagan National Security Council and Abdalla al-Ashtal, the Yemen Ambassador to the U.N., discuss today's announcement that Saddam Hussein will release all hostages.

Larry King Live (CNN) December 6, 1990 (Transcript #186)

Saddam Hussein's Offer to Release All Hostages (Former Secretary of State Alexander Haig analyzes Hussein's offer of hostage release and describes desirable responses for the White House and the Congress); 911 -- An Emergency System Gone Awry (Inadequate 911 response experiences are discussed by parents Anita Spencer and Roy Baker, attorney Melvin Belli and Col. Leonard Supenski of the Baltimore County Police).

Primetime Live (ABC) December 6, 1990 (Transcript #170)

Paradise Lost (the Marshall Islands, culture and economy destroyed by American nuclear testing and military occupation); Big John (Former Texas Governor John Connally has a new life in the influence business); Savior of Seventh Avenue (Profile of hot fashion designer Donna Karan); Monday Night Madness (What goes on in the control room during ABC's Monday Night Football broadcasts).

Good Morning America (ABC) December 6, 1990 (Transcript #1169)

Camp Kuwait update; playground superstars; dangerous toys; yeast infections; Charlie Sheen; modern Johnny Appleseed; dolphin deaths (Bumble Bee tuna company); Daniel Stern; catalog shopping; one earth, many visions.

Donahue December 6, 1990 (Transcript #3093)

George Will: An interview with syndicated columnist/commentator George F. Will about American politics, foreign policy, the situation in the Persian Gulf and the implications for the future of the Middle East.

Oprah Winfrey Show December 6, 1990 (Transcript #1105)

Twist of Fate: Guests share their stories of strange circumstances, happenings and coincidences that have affected their lives.

Sally Jessy Raphael December 6, 1990 (Transcript #589)

Having a Baby Ruined Our Marriage: Divorced couples tell why the birth of their children put too much of a strain on their marriage. Psychologist Dr. Beth Raymond feels that many people aren't emotionally ready to raise kids.

Geraldo December 6, 1990 (Transcript #840)

Children Comic Legends: Chidren of comedy legends such as Groucho and Chico Marx, Charlie Chaplin, Moe Howard, Abbott and Costello and Jack Benny discuss what it was like growing up with comedians for fathers.

Friday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Copycat King of Designer Fashion Sally Jessy Raphael: Dumped and Devastated Geraldo: Eating Your Heart Out Oprah Winfrey: Julio Iglesias

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#90344k0053 12/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 10) KYODO - YASUDA TRUST AND BANKING CO. PREDICTED MONDAY THAT JAPAN'S REAL ECONOMIC GROWTH IN FISCAL YEAR 1991 STARTING NEXT APRIL IS LIKELY TO FALL TO 3.5 PERCENT FROM AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL GROWTH OF 5.1 PERCENT FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.

IT ATTRIBUTED THE LOWER GROWTH IN GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP) TO LOWER HOUSING INVESTMENT AND A DECLINE IN CAPITAL INVESTMENT TRIGGERED BY WORSENING CORPORATE PROFITS.

JAPAN'S CURRENT-ACCOUNT SURPLUS, IT SAID, IS EXPECTED TO STAY AT 40 BILLION DOLLARS, DUE TO INCREASED EXPENDITURES IN TOURISM AND INVISIBLE TRADE IN FISCAL 1991.

YASUDA MADE THE PREDICTION ON THE BASIS THAT THE YEN IS LIKELY TO AVERAGE 123 YEN AGAINST THE U.S. DOLLAR AND THE OIL PRICE AT ABOUT 20 DOLLARS PER BARREL.

MEANWHILE, ACCORDING TO ASAHI MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO., JAPAN'S REAL GNP GROWTH RATE IN FISCAL 1991 IS EXPECTED TO MARK 3.8 PERCENT, WHILE THE CURRENT-ACCOUNT SURPLUS IS EXPECTED AT 28.6 BILLION DOLLARS. IT EXPECTS THE JAPANESE CURRENCY TO CHANGE HANDS AT AROUND 131.80 YEN TO THE DOLLAR.

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#90344k0054 12/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 10) KYODO - THE FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS (KEIDANREN) OF JAPAN WILL NAME FOUR NEW VICE CHAIRMEN DECEMBER 21, SOURCES AT THE

FEDERATION SAID MONDAY.

THE FOUR ARE SETSUYA TABUCHI, CHAIRMAN OF NOMURA SECURITIES CO., ISAO NAKAUCHI CHAIRMAN AND PRESIDENT OF DAIEI INC., KENJI KAWAKATSU, CHAIRMAN OF SANWA BANK AND KATSUHIRO UTADA, HONORARY CHAIRMAN OF AJINOMOTO CO.

THE DECISION WILL BE MADE OFFICIAL AT THE DECEMBER 21 EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF KEIDANREN, THE SOURCES SAID.

FOLLOWING THE RESIGNATION ANNOUNCEMENT BY KEIDANREN CHAIRMAN EISHIRO SAITO AND THREE VICE CHAIRMEN NOVEMBER 26, THE FEDERATION HELD A MEETING OF TOP OFFICIALS MONDAY TO DECIDE ON THE NEW VICE CHAIRMEN, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCES.

GAISHI HIRAIWA, CHAIRMAN OF TOKYO ELECTRIC CO. AND CURRENT VICE CHAIRMAN OF KEIDANREN, IS TO ASSUME THE POST HELD BY SAITO, 79, WHO CITED HIS ADVANCED AGE AS THE REASON FOR HIS RESIGNATION. THE APPOINTMENT WILL ALSO BE FORMALIZED DECEMBER 21.

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#90344k0063 12/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 10) KYODO - SAUDI ARABIA HAS NOTIFIED JAPANESE TRADING HOUSES AND PETROLEUM COMPANIES OF ITS INTENTION TO SUSPEND EXPORTS OF KEROSENE AND GAS OIL UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID MONDAY.

THE OIL-PRODUCING NATION SAID IT WILL NOT HALT THE EXPORT OF NAPHTHA, BUT SHIPMENTS OF THE OIL WILL BE DELAYED BY BETWEEN A WEEK TO 10 DAYS.

THE INDUSTRY SOURCES BLAMED THE SUSPENSION ON A FIRE THAT BROKE OUT AT SAUDI ARABIA'S RAS TANURA REFINERY, THE WORLD'S LARGEST OIL DISTILLERY, WHICH HAS THE CAPACITY TO REFINE 500,000 BARRELS OF OIL A DAY.

THE REFINERY BECAME THE MAJOR SUPPLIER OF JET FUEL, LIGHT OIL, AND GASOLINE TO THE MULTINATIONAL DEFENSE FORCE IN THE PERSIAN GULF FOLLOWING THE AUGUST 2 IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT.

OIL INDUSTRY OFFICIALS SAID THE DETRIMENTAL EFFECTS OF A SUSPENSION IN SHIPMENTS WILL NOT BE FELT ON THE ECONOMY BECAUSE OF THE COUNTRY'S AMPLE SUPPLIES OF KEROSENE.

THE FIRE ON NOVEMBER 30 CUT THE DISTILLERY'S CAPACITY BY ABOUT HALF, INDUSTRY SOURCES ESTIMATED.

THE SHORTFALL WILL FORCE SAUDI ARABIA TO SUPPLY THE MULTINATIONAL FORCE WITH OIL SUPPLIES FROM THE JUBAIL REFINERY.

BECAUSE JAPAN IS HEAVILY RELIANT ON OIL SUPPLIES FROM JUBAIL, THE TRANSFER OF THE RESOURCES MEANS THAT SAUDI ARABIA WILL HAVE TO TEMPORARILY HALT SHIPMENTS

TO JAPAN.

MORE THAN 20 PERCENT OF JAPAN'S PETROLEUM PRODUCTS ARE IMPORTED. AN ESTIMATED 26 PERCENT OF THE COUNTRY'S KEROSENE IMPORTS, TOTALING 3.40 MILLION KILOLITERS IN THE FIRST HALF OF 1990, CAME FROM SAUDI ARABIA.

SAUDI ARABIA FURNISHED APPROXIMATELY 40 PERCENT OF THE NATION'S IMPORTS OF GAS OIL TOTALING 3.24 MILLION TONS IN THE FIRST HALF OF THE YEAR.

BUT JAPANESE OIL COMPANIES HAVE CUT THEIR IMPORTS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS BY ABOUT HALF SINCE AUTUMN, IN RESPONSE TO THE SURGE IN PETROLEUM PRODUCTS PRICES IN OVERSEAS MARKETS.

FORTUNATELY THE WARM WINTER HAS REDUCED DEMAND AND PUSHED DOWN NOVEMBER DELIVERY FOR OIL BY NEARLY 20 PERCENT FROM THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR, THE INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID.

''A TEMPORARY RISE IN OVERSEAS OIL MARKETS WILL HAVE VERY LITTLE IMPACT ON JAPAN, WHICH HAS AMPLE SUPPLIES,'' SAID ONE SOURCE.

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#90344k0068 12/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (DEC. 10) KYODO - PRIME MINISTER MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID MONDAY MALAYSIA WILL INITIATE A MARKET PACT AMONG EAST ASIAN COUNTRIES TO COUNTER PROTECTIONISM THAT MAY EMERGE IN WESTERN COUNTRIES SHOULD THE CURRENT GATT GLOBAL TRADE TALKS COLLAPSE.

THE LIST OF MEMBERS, HE SAID, WILL INCLUDE JAPAN, CHINA, SOUTH KOREA, HONG KONG, TAIWAN, VIETNAM, MYANMAR, AND THE SIX MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN) -- MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE, BRUNEI, THE PHILIPPINES, THAILAND AND INDONESIA.

''BUT WE EXPECT COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY JAPAN, TO COME UNDER GREAT PRESSURE FROM CERTAIN GROUPS TO REJECT THE PACT,'' HE TOLD REPORTERS AFTER OPENING THE CHINESE NEWSPAPERS 23RD INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION HERE.

PRIMARY INDUSTRIES MINISTER LIM KENG YAIK SAID LAST WEDNESDAY THAT MALAYSIA WANTS JAPAN, AS THE MOST INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRY IN EAST ASIA, TO HEAD THE PACT.

LIM ALSO SAID THAT THE PROPOSAL WILL BE PUT TO JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU WHEN HE VISITS MALAYSIA IN MID-JANUARY.

MAHATHIR SAID HE WILL DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH CHINESE PREMIER LI PENG, WHO ARRIVED HERE MONDAY, DURING A TWO-HOUR MEETING SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY.

THE URUGUAY ROUND OF MULTILATERAL TRADE TALKS UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT) WAS SUSPENDED FRIDAY WITH THE

EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND THE UNITED STATES DEADLOCKED ON THE QUESTION OF EUROPEAN FARM SUBSIDIES.

ECONOMISTS WIDELY SAY THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE TALKS ARE LIKELY TO FAIL AS THERE IS VERY LITTLE TIME LEFT BEFORE THEY ARE SCHEDULED TO END ON DECEMBER 31.

MALAYSIA, IN PROMOTING THE EAST ASIAN PACT, BELIEVES THAT WITH THE FAILURE OF THE TALKS PROTECTIONISM WILL EMERGE IN THE U.S.-CANADA-MEXICO MARKET AND THE SINGLE EUROPEAN MARKET IN 1992.

''WE CANNOT ACT ON OUR OWN TO OPPOSE THE TRADE RESTRICTIONS WESTERN COUNTRIES ARE BOUND TO IMPOSE,'' HE SAID.

MAHATHIR SAID MALAYSIA WILL CONTINUE TO LOBBY FOR THE FORMATION OF AN EAST ASIAN MARKET EVEN IF THERE IS LACK OF SUPPORT OR STRONG OPPOSITION.

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TOKYO (DEC. 10) KYODO - THE FINANCE MINISTRY PLANS TO BEGIN LIFTING CONTROLS ON INTEREST RATES ON DEMAND DEPOSITS AND OTHER LIQUID BANK DEPOSITS IN THE SPRING OF 1992, MINISTRY SOURCES SAID MONDAY.

THE DEREGULATION WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN TWO STAGES. BANKS WILL FIRST BE ALLOWED TO OFFER A NEW ACCOUNT WHICH BEARS HIGHER INTEREST BUT CHARGE A FEE TO DEPOSITORS. ALL CONTROLS ON INTEREST RATES WILL BE PHASED OUT AFTERWARDS, THE SOURCES SAID.

THE MINISTRY IS PROPOSING THAT THE INTEREST RATE ON THE NEW ACCOUNT BE TIED TO THE MARKET RATE AND THAT DEPOSITERS PAY ACCOUNT FEES WHEN THE OUTSTANDING AMOUNT OF DEPOSITS IN THE ACCOUNT FALLS SHORT OF A CERTAIN LEVEL, THE SOURCES SAID.

ACCORDING TO THE SOURCES, DETAILS, INCLUDING A TIMETABLE FOR TAKING THESE DEREGULATION MEASURES, WILL BE HAMMERED OUT BY NEXT MAY WHEN A PRIVATE ADVISORY PANEL TO THE BANKING BUREAU'S DIRECTOR GENERAL WILL SUBMIT A REPORT ON FINANCIAL ISSUES.

THE FINANCE MINISTRY, FACED WITH PRESSURE FROM THE UNITED STATES TO MOVE QUICKER TO LIFT INTEREST RATE CONTROLS, IS REPORTEDLY CONSIDERING PHASING OUT SUCH REGULATIONS BY THE SPRING OF 1993 -- FAR BEYOND A U.S. PROPOSAL FOR A ONE-YEAR DEADLINE.

IN JAPAN-U.S. FINANCIAL TALKS, U.S. TREASURY OFFICIALS HAVE ARGUED THAT INTEREST RATE CONTROLS ARE IN EFFECT SUBSIDIZING JAPANESE BANKS, GIVING THEM A SOURCE OF CHEAP CAPITAL FOR LOANS AND OTHER INVESTMENT.

ANALYSTS SAY INTEREST RATE DEREGULATION WOULD FORCE BANKS TO PAY MORE FOR

TAKING DEPOSITS, SPAWNING TOUGHER BUSINESS CONDITIONS AND POSSIBLY LEADING TO A RESTRUCTURING IN THE BANKING INDUSTRY.

BY ONE ESTIMATE, ROUGHLY HALF THE INTEREST RATES IN JAPAN ARE SUBJECT TO GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS, BUT INDUSTRY DATA SHOWS THE PORTION OF REGULATION-FREE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS HAS BEEN INCREASING ON PARTIAL LIBERALIZATION.

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MANILA (DEC. 10) KYODO - THE PHILIPPINE FOREIGN DEBT EXPANDED BY 794 MILLION DOLLARS TO 28.41 BILLION DOLLARS IN AUGUST, COMPARED TO THE DECEMBER 1989 LEVEL OF 27.61 BILLION DOLLARS, THE COUNTRY'S CENTRAL BANK SAID MONDAY.

THE CENTRAL BANK SAID THE COUNTRY'S DEBT-REDUCTION PROGRAMS RETIRED 2.36 BILLION DOLLARS OF FOREIGN DEBT SINCE THE REDUCTION SCHEMES WERE IMPLEMENTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO WHEN IT ASSUMED POWER IN FEBRUARY 1986.

THE 2.89 PERCENT EXPANSION IN TOTAL FOREIGN DEBT WAS DUE TO THE USE OF SHORT-TERM CREDITS AND DISBURSEMENT OF THE FIRST TWO TRANCHES OF NEW MONEY FROM FOREIGN COMMERCIAL CREDITORS.

ABOUT 23.70 BILLION DOLLARS OF THE TOTAL EXTERNAL DEBT WERE MEDIUM AND LONG-TERM DEBTS, WHILE THE REST WERE SHORT-TERM CREDITS.

FROM JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR, ABOUT 761 MILLION DOLLARS IN NEW FOREIGN LOANS WAS DISBURSED TO THE COUNTRY IN SHORT-TERM CREDITS, 565 MILLION DOLLARS IN THE FIRST TWO TRANCHES OF NEW MONEY FROM COMMERCIAL BANKS, 206 MILLION DOLLARS IN NET USE OF REGULAR MEDIUM AND LONG-TERM LOANS, AND 510 MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE PARIS CLUB CREDITORS.

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TOKYO (DEC. 10) KYODO - THE HEAD OF NIPPON MOTOROLA LTD. SAID MONDAY THE COMPANY PLANS TO BUILD AN INTEGRATED CHIP PLANT IN THE SUBURBS OF SENDAI IN NORTHEASTERN JAPAN.

RICK YOUNTS, PRESIDENT OF THE FIRM, TOLD REPORTERS THAT A WAFER FABRICATION FACILITY WILL BE ADDED TO THE ASSEMBLY AND INSPECTION FACILITY NOW BEING BUILT ON ABOUT 120,000 SQUARE METERS OF LAND IN THE IZUMI PARK TOWN SUBURBAN INDUSTRIAL ZONE.

THE ASSEMBLY AND INSPECTION FACILITY, WHICH REPRESENTS THE LATTER-HALF PROCESS OF THE CHIP PLANT, WILL COST AN ESTIMATED 6 BILLION YEN TO BUILD. THE FACILITY IS SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION NEXT APRIL.

A WAFER FABRICATION FACILITY, WHICH ACCOUNTS FOR THE FIRST-HALF PROCESS OF THE PLANT, WILL BE CONSTRUCTED ON THE SAME SITE AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF 80 BILLION YEN.

YOUNTS SAID MICROCONTROLLING UNITS (MCUS) AND APPLICATIONS- SPECIFIC INTEGRATED CIRCUITS (ASICS) WILL BE MADE AT THE PLANT. ASICS ARE ICS FOR SPECIFIC USES.

IT HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED, HOWEVER, WHEN CONSTRUCTION WORK ON THE WAFER FABRICATION FACILITY WILL BEGIN, HE ADDED.

YOUNTS ALSO SAID NIPPON MOTOROLA IS HOLDING DISCUSSIONS WITH TOSHIBA CORP. ON POSSIBLE JOINT DEVELOPMENT OF CHIPS FOR HIGH-DEFINITION TELEVISION BASED ON A FORMULA ADOPTED BY JAPAN BROADCASTING CORP. (NHK). HE SAID IF THE TWO AGREE, THEY WILL SEEK NHK'S COOPERATION.

YOUNTS ALSO SAID ISAMU KURU, EX-HEAD OF TOSHIBA'S NEW BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, RECENTLY JOINED NIPPON MOTOROLA AS VICE PRESIDENT. HE INDICATED THAT KURU WILL PROBABLY REPLACE HIM AS PRESIDENT OF NIPPON MOTOROLA NEXT SPRING.

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JAKARTA (DEC. 10) KYODO - THE INDONESIAN LEGAL AID INSTITUTE URGED THE GOVERNMENT AND PARLIAMENT TO DEVELOP LAWS THAT WILL ENSURE ECONOMIC DEMOCRACY IN THE COMMEMORATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY ON MONDAY.

THE INSTITUTE CALLED FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A PEOPLE-CENTERED DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY, NOTING THAT THE LAWS WHICH ARE AGAINST UNIVERSAL HUMAN RIGHTS VALUES SHOULD BE REVIEWED.

THE INSTITUTE WAS AMONG NINE NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS, WHICH SIGNED A STATEMENT IN THE COMMEMORATION OF INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY, THE DAY WHEN THE UNITED NATIONS ISSUED A DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN 1948.

INDONESIA IS GOING TO HAVE A NEW CRIMINAL LAW AND THE INDONESIAN LEGAL AID INSTITUTE IS READY TO GIVE INPUT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE NEW LAW WILL SECURE HUMAN RIGHTS, SAID ABDUL HAKIM, CHAIRMAN OF THE INSTITUTE.

LOEBI LOEKMAN, A DOCTOR OF LAW AT THE PRESTIGIOUS UNIVERSITY OF INDONESIA ALSO SAID BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS ARE STILL NOT FULLY REFLECTED IN THE PRESENT CRIMINAL LAW.

HARYONO TJITROSOEBONO, CHAIRMAN OF THE INDONESIAN LAWYERS' ASSOCIATION, SAID THE TENDENCY OF THE PRESENT CRIMINAL LAW CODE IS TO SUBORDINATE THE PEOPLE'S RIGHTS UNDER THE GOVERNMENT'S INTERESTS.

HE CITED THE SUBVERSION LAW WHICH HE SAID IS FREQUENTLY USED TO CURB THE ACTION OF DISSENTERS.

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KYOTO (DEC. 10) KYODO - A NINE-YEAR-OLD BOY FROM OSAKA WHO RECEIVED PART OF HIS FATHER'S LIVER IN A TRANSPLANT OPERATION IN JUNE DIED MONDAY AT KYOTO UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL, HIS DOCTORS SAID.

THE BOY, WHOSE NAME IS BEING WITHHELD AT THE REQUEST OF HIS FAMILY, WAS RELEASED FROM THE HOSPITAL IN JULY AND RETURNED TO SCHOOL AFTER UNDERGOING THE NATION'S SECOND LIVER TRANSPLANT INVOLVING A LIVE DONOR.

HE IS THE THIRD PATIENT IN JAPAN TO DIE AFTER UNDERGOING SUCH A TRANSPLANT OPERATION.

DOCTORS AT THE UNIVERSITY, WHICH HAS CARRIED OUT SIX OF JAPAN'S 10 LIVER TRANSPLANT OPERATIONS INVOLVING LIVE DONORS, SAID THE BOY SUFFOCATED AFTER BEING UNABLE TO HOLD DOWN HIS FOOD.

PHYSICIANS SAID THE DEATH WAS ACCIDENTAL AND NOT THE RESULT OF ORGAN REJECTION SYNDROME OR LIVER MALFUNCTION.

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#90344k0093 12/10/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 10) KYODO - JAPAN AND THE SOVIET UNION STARTED TALKS IN TOKYO ON MONDAY TO NEGOTIATE QUOTAS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE 200-MILE ECONOMIC WATERS FOR NEXT YEAR.

NEGOTIATIONS ARE EXPECTED TO MAINLY COVER JAPANESE QUOTAS FOR CATCHING ALASKAN POLLACK AND SOVIET QUOTAS FOR SARDINES.

MICHIO SHIMADA, OCEAN FISHERY CHIEF OF THE JAPANESE FISHERIES AGENCY OPENED THE MEETING BY SAYING THE LONG HISTORY OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN FISHERIES MUST BE MAINTAINED. HE ALSO EXPRESSED HIS HOPE THAT THE MEETINGS WILL YIELD SWIFT RESULTS.

Y.U. MOSKALTSOV, CHAIRMAN OF DALRYBA, THE SOVIET FAR EASTERN WATERS PRODUCTION CORPORATION, SAID EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO IMPROVE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO FISHING NATIONS.

THE TWO DELEGATIONS ARE EXPECTED TO PROPOSE NEW TERMS FOR FISHING TUESDAY.

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ISLAMABAD (DEC. 10) KYODO - A 12-MEMBER JAPANESE ECONOMIC MISSION HELD A FIRST ROUND OF TALKS ON MONDAY WITH A TEAM OF SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HERE ON ''MEDIUM AND LONG-TERM JAPANESE AID'' FOR PAKISTAN, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE JAPANESE MISSION IS BEING LED BY TOSHIAKI MUTO, A FORMER JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO THE SOVIET UNION AND CURRENTLY SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, WHILE THE PAKISTANI SIDE IS LED BY FOREIGN SECRETARY SHEHERYAR MOHAMMAD KHAN. OFFICIALS FROM VARIOUS ECONOMIC MINISTRIES ALSO ATTENDED THE MEETING.

PAKISTAN IS SEEKING URGENT ASSISTANCE FROM DONOR COUNTRIES TO OVERCOME THE IMPACT OF THE GULF CRISIS AND HAS REQUESTED 500 MILLION DOLLARS IN ASSISTANCE FROM JAPAN.

A JAPANESE EMBASSY OFFICIAL, HOWEVER, SAID THE DELEGATION WOULD DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF JAPANESE PARTICIPATION IN THE FIVE-YEAR DEVELOPMENT PLAN OF THE NEWLY INSTALLED PAKISTAN GOVERNMENT.

THE MISSION WILL STAY FOR ONE WEEK IN ISLAMABAD AND KARACHI, AND WILL HOLD TALKS WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 10) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"The Wall Street Journal" reports this morning that analysts predict the dollar will fall to record lows within several months. Even a shooting war in the Mideast would spur only a temporary rally, they say. "There would still be no change in the fundamentals, which point to a lower dollar," says JOHN LIPSKY at SALOMON BROTHERS INTERNATIONAL, one of a number of currency specialists cited. He sees the dollar down to a post World War II low of about 1.38 German marks and 120 yen in six months. (WSJ, 12/10)

"The New York Times" reports this morning that the Fed probably will lower the discount rate from 7% soon to keep it below the federal funds rate that was driven down to 7.25% on Friday. "We would be reluctant to move the funds rate under the discount rate," the paper quotes a top official as saying. ROBERT CHANDROSS, chief economist at LLOYDS BANK, says, "The markets would interpret [such a move] as a very clear statement of a very aggressive Fed policy." (NYT, 12/10)

"What provoked the Fed to act [Friday] was [that] the November numbers were far worse than they appear at first glance," says PHILIP BRAVERMAN at DKB

SECURITIES. "A truer and sadder picture emerges when one looks at the household tally of the jobless and not just the non-farm payroll numbers." As to banks lowering interest rates, he says, "The bigger banks are hurting too much to do anything that would reduce their profit margins, certainly not before they are to issue their year-end reports in a few weeks." Braverman says the Fed is "well behind the learning curve. ... The patient is in the intensive care ward and the doctor says 'Take an aspirin and call me in the morning.'" (NYT, 12/8 and "Investor's Daily", 12/10)

"My guess is the Fed was shocked by the data," says ALAN SINAI, chief economist at the BOSTON COMPANY. "Last week, they seemed aware that we were in a recession, but not one that is as sharp and sweeping as the employment data suggest." (NYT, 12/10)

"So far, the Fed's moves to lower rates have had a relatively little beneficial impact on rate at which individuals and smaller businesses can borrow, which is one reason why I expect further easing by the Fed," says DANA JOHNSON at FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO. (NYT, 12/8)

ANDREW BAUER, chairman of SOUTHWEST BANK of St. Louis, explains why his institution - which so frequently is ahead of larger banks in cutting the prime lending rate - dropped its rate Friday: "We have a little different deposit mix, we have a little different problems here in St. Louis here than they do in New York and in Los Angeles. We move when we feel the time is appropriate and we felt the time was appropriate this morning." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/7)

"We went into this recession with seemingly neutral interest rates," says ROBERT BARBERA at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "We had a bank- induced credit crunch with no rise in interest rates because people changed their minds about what constituted a safe loan. To make lending safe again you will need much lower rates." DONALD FINE at CHASE MANHATTAN BANK says, "The reluctance of banks to extend credit is a new nuance that you have to allow for and while the consumer malaise perhaps won't get much worse, it is not improving." (NYT, 12/10)

"I do expect [the Fed] to cut the discount rate by 50 basis points," says ALAN LERNER of BANKERS TRUST. He believes that move may come "within the next week." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/7)

"I'm really expecting interest rates to fall," says BILL WOLMAN, of "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "I think we're going to see a Treasury bill under 5% before next June. We have not had a recession like this for a long time and yields under 5% on Treasury bills have happened very frequently in steep recessions. We're going back to this. There's not much inflation. We're going back to rates of that kind. The long bond may even go below 7% during the course of what is going to happen in through here, so it's bonds, bonds, bonds." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/7)

"This is time to put a one-year CD in your stocking," says ROBERT HEADY, publisher of "Bank Rate Monitor." "Savings rates will continue to fall in 1991." RANDELL MOORE, editor of "Blue Chip Financial Forecasts," says, "My guess is that after Friday's [unemployment] report, we'll see economists forecasting a steeper downturn in the economy and the necessity of further easing by the Fed." ("USA Today", 12/10)

"You can certainly reduce rates, but that doesn't necessarily mean the banks will lend and people will borrow," says DENNIS HYNES, managing director of research at R.W. PRESSPRICH. "If you make more drastic cuts [more than a quarter-point at a time] you immediately communicate to the foreign investor that he shouldn't be here and we can't do that. ... If you cut rates by half-a-percent you are telling foreign investors ... we don't need your money to fund our deficit. And we don't want to do that. ... For drastic cuts, you're showing shock, you're showing panic. We're trying not to panic these markets and the way you do that is you do it with confidence and you do it with slow and progressive declines." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/7)

"If the Fed pushes down our interest rates too far, then a lot of money is going to flow right out of this country," says ELLIOTT PLATT of DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE. Because that money would then go to Germany or Japan, where interest rates are more attractive, Platt calls such a reduction "counterproductive." (CNN "Moneyline", 12/7)

"Fed policy works with a long lag, six months to two years," says JEREMY GLUCK at MITSUBISHI BANK. "This should limit the length and the depth of a recession." ("Investor's Daily", 12/10)

RICHARD RAHN, chief economist for the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, says recent economic problems "clearly show that SADDAM HUSSEIN and high oil prices are being used by officials as a smoke screen to hide the failed economic policies of the Fed." JOHN RUTLEDGE, chairman of the CLAREMONT ECONOMIC INSTITUTE in Southern California, says his quarrel "is over what monetary policy is supposed to be doing and I think the Fed has created this recession." DAVID JONES at AUBREY G. LANSTON says FED CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN's "forte" is his "numbers-crunching ability ... and it may be that when psychology and anecdotal evidence are more important than those numbers, the Greenspan Fed is a bit slow to respond." ("Investor's Daily", 12/10)

"The boom in equities that marked the '80s appears likely to be succeeded by a boom in bond prices that might last well into the '90s," MARTIN PRING, publisher of "Pring Market Review," writes in "Barron's" this week. ("Barron's", 12/10)

THE ECONOMY:

"My own guess is that GNP is now falling in this quarter at a rate of about 3%

or 4%, far beyond the expectations of the consensus economists' forecast and we're in a wing-ding rapid decline in the economy," says BILL WOLMAN, of "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "This is a real recession. And even if we suddenly turned, it's a recession because it's a very, very sharp decline. These are staggering [unemployment] numbers. It's very, very serious." He adds, "Today's markets [Friday] were a perfect recession market: bonds strong, stocks week - a perfect recession market. Things could get brighter if the Fed eases enough before Christmas." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/7)

GORDON RICHARDS, economist at the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS, says the November unemployment report "pretty much confirms that [the economy] is in the free-fall stage." He was looking for GNP to shrink at an annual rate of 2.5% in the fourth quarter and now thinks it will be as much as 3%. EDWARD YARDENI, senior economist at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE, says, "Every economist is willing to use the 'R' word now. The news is so bad, it actually holds some good news" because it will goad the Fed into further easing. ("USA Today", 12/10)

"We have increasing pieces of information that we can pull out to look at to say the economy is in recession," says ROBERT BRUSCA at NIKKO SECURITIES. "We don't have to talk about soft landings, about slowdowns, about slumps, about credit crunches. There is only one thing we have to talk about and that's recession." He says, "This is beginning to look about as bad as any recession looks" and suggests the Fed "will have to change its gradualist ways, and soon if it is to stop the economic deterioration." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/7 and WSJ, 12/10)

"I can't remember a time when we had such large job losses," says ROBERT GAY of MORGAN STANLEY. Managers are cutting jobs in anticipation of a slowdown, perhaps creating a self-fulfilling prophecy, according to Gay. ALAN LERNER of BANKERS TRUST says these low employment numbers may be harbingers of "deep recession, depression levels." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/7)

DOUG HANDLER, manager of economic analysis for DUN & BRADSTREET, says the unemployment report was "one of the most depressing releases I've seen in years." Even so, he says the official unemployment rate of 5.9% may not accurately depict the level of stress on labor markets. "If the labor force had not been contracting [the rate] would be skyrocketing," he says. RAY STONE at STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES agrees that the rate "isn't a bad number in and of itself. But what is alarming is that it has decidedly turned upward and one shouldn't expect that [unemployment] would rise sharply" given modest growth in the labor force. ("USA Today" and "Investor's Daily", 12/10)

Friday's employment report should convert "anybody who had a doubt before these numbers," says EDWARD CAMPBELL of BROWN BROTHERS HARRIMAN & CO. The jobs numbers were some of the worst in a decade. ("Nightly Business Report", 12/7)

"It's unambiguously clear that we're now in a recession," says RICHARD RAHN of the U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. He blames "policy mistakes" made in Washington, specifically Fed actions. "A lot of Americans are suffering as a result," says Rahn. (CNN "Moneyline", 12/7)

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GAINESVILLE, FL (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Gates Energy Products has introduced a new rechargeable battery system specifically for Texas Instruments' new TravelMate(TM) 3000 notebook PC. The new computer, measuring 8.5 inches wide by 11 inches long by 1.8 inches deep, has both the power and performance of a 20MHz 386SX desktop and weighs only 5.7 pounds including the battery.

The TravelMate battery is a specially configured system from Gates Energy's new ULTRAMAX(TM) product line. Comprised of D size cells, the battery pack provides 5000 mAh and is the highest capacity nickel-cadmium battery available today. The ULTRAMAX cells, developed specifically for portable computers, offer up to 70 percent longer run times than standard nickel-cadmium batteries.

The TravelMate 3000 is aimed at users who require the utmost in portability and need the power of their 386SX PC. The ULTRAMAX batteries represent another dramatic step in the evolution of nickel-cadmium battery technology for the new smaller, lighter-weight laptops and notebooks. "Gates new ULTRAMAX technology is a major achievement in boosting battery life in our notebook computers," said Vaughn Watts, portable products engineering manager of Texas Instruments. "Not only does it allow our new TravelMate 3000 to run longer under battery operation, but it provides quicker recharge which consumers insisted they needed."

The TravelMate 3000, designed and manufactured at the Texas Instruments Temple Texas facility, will be available through TI's Peripheral Products Division's distributors, value-added resellers and dealers.

Gates Energy Products is North America's largest manufacturer of sealed, rechargeable batteries. Earlier this year, Gates Energy introduced the ULTRAMAX line to manufacturers of battery-powered products. The ULTRAMAX line consists of six battery sizes: AA 800mAh, 4/5Af 1000mAh, 7/5Af 1700mAh, Cs 2000mAh, CsC 2300mAh, C 2800mAh and D 5000mAh. All cells, when used with proper charge termination techniques, can accept three to five hour and one hour fast charging.

Gates Energy Products also introduced VALUMAX(TM), the world's highest capacity standard line, late last year. The company entered the retail business with its rechargeable Millennium(TM) Power System in early 1990. Manufacturing, assembly and distribution operations are located in Gainesville Warrensburg, Mo.; El Paso, Texas; Juarez, Mexico; Newcastle-under-Lyme, Great

Britain; and Hong Kong.

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#90344p1448 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

OREM, UT (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Wicat Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: WCAT) announced today it has been selected by the Civil Aviation Authority of China (CAAC) to provide computer-based training (CBT) products for the company's flight training. The CAAC is the parent organization of Air China.

The training system was purchased through an intermediary company, Airtrust International Corp., a Texas City (Texas) engineering firm and supplier to the CAAC.

Under terms of the recent agreement, Wicat provided CBT products for Boeing 747-400 pilot transition training. The new computer lab includes several of Wicat's 12 Mhz, 80286-based, MS-DOS compatible WITS 2000 computers running courseware jointly developed by Wicat and Boeing Commercial Airplanes of Seattle.

The sale is part of a CAAC trial program to investigate the benefits of computer-based training for aviation personnel. If the trial program proves successful, CAAC plans to increase its use of computer-based training.

Wicat Systems, is a world leader in technology-based training and education solutions, providing products and services to help clients achieve 30 to 50 percent learning improvement in schools, industry and government. Wicat's stock is traded in the NASDAQ market under the symbol WCAT.

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PALO ALTO, CA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Dialog Information Services Inc. and Teikoku Databank Ltd. have announced an agreement in which Teikoku will produce an English-language segment of their prestigious COSMOS2 (Corporate Information File) database for online access via DIALOG(i).

The agreement, which grants Dialog exclusive distribution rights to the database outside of Japan, marks the first time this vital Japanese company information has been translated into English. The database, which will be known as TEIKOKU DATABANK: JAPANESE COMPANIES, will become available during the spring of 1991.

TEIKOKU DATABANK will consist of approximately 50,000 companies which have designated official English company names, and which have overseas business dealings. The database may be expanded in the future to include additional companies and information.

Each company profile in TEIKOKU DATABANK will contain approximately 20 fields, including:

-- Company name, address, and telephone number
-- Japanese Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) code
-- Executive officer name, address, and telephone number
-- Number of employees -- Credit rating -- Sales ranking
-- Declared income
-- Sales for latest reporting term (and previous term if available)
-- Profits for latest reporting term (and previous term if available)
-- Dividends for latest reporting term (and previous term if available) -- Major trading banks

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#90344p1472 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Fluor Corp. (NYSE: FLR) today announced net earnings for the year ended Oct. 31, 1990, of $146.9 million, or $1.81 per share, up 35 percent compared with net earnings of $108.5 million, or $1.35 per share a year ago. Revenues advanced 19 percent to $7.4 billion, compared with $6.3 billion in 1989.

Net earnings for fiscal 1990 and 1989 both include nonrecurring gains. As reported in the third quarter of 1990, results included a discontinued operations gain of 10 cents per share from the sale of Pea Ridge Iron Ore Co. Results for 1989 include an 11 cents per share gain from a settlement with the National Iranian Oil Co. net of certain nonrecurring costs.

Fluor Daniel, the company's engineering and construction unit, reported substantially higher earnings compared with the prior year. Engineering and construction backlog grew 14 percent in 1990 to $9.6 billion from $8.4 billion for the prior year on the strength of new awards which totalled $7.6 billion compared with $7.1 billion in 1989.

The combined operating earnings from the company's coal and lead investments were up slightly from 1989 due to a strong advance by A.T. Massey Coal. Operating earnings from Doe Run, the company's lead investment, declined in 1990 due primarily to reduced by-product credits which were exceptionally strong in 1989.

For the fourth quarter of 1990, net earnings rose 40 percent to $40.7 million, or 50 cents per share, compared with $29.1 million, or 36 cents per share a year ago. Revenues were $2 billion, up 18 percent from 1989. New awards for the fourth quarter were $1.8 billion, slightly below the same period in 1989.

Fluor Corp. is an international engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services company with investments in coal and lead.

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INDIANAPOLIS (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Autoworks today introduced a citywide reclamation program for the collection and reprocessing of used motor oil.

According to Brian Holeman, company spokesperson, the effort is focused on the return and recycling of used oil. "The program offers consumers on easy, clean, environmentally smart way to collect and return used motor oil to any of our stores. And let's face it, we have the outlets. We offer both point-of-purchase and point-of-return." Added Holeman, "Plus, we'll provide people with the opportunity to purchase a simple oil drain and storage device that can be used and returned over and over again."

Autoworks has made an agreement with a local recycler to collect and transfer the oil for later reprocessing, Holeman said. One of the largest programs of its kind in the United States, the recycling effort provides individuals with a way to deal with a problem that is growing, and poses severe environmental concerns. Sources estimate that used motor oil from one oil change can contaminate up to 1 million gallons of drinking water -- enough fresh water for 50 people during a year.

Holeman said the program, which has been implemented in several states, will be introduced nationwide over the next 18 months.

Northern Automotive Corp. is the largest automotive aftermarket specialty retailer in the United States. In total, the chain manages more than 800 stores throughout 25 states in the West and Midwest. Autoworks currently operates 35 stores in the Indianapolis area.

The stores currently operate as Autoworks in the Midwest; Schuck's in the Northwest; Kragen in California; Checker in the Rocky Mountain and Southwestern states; and Crown in the Plain states.

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#90344p1479 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
BRIDGEWATER, N.J. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Integrated Network Corporation (INC), a designer and manufacturer of intelligent network systems and data communications products, today announced that Codex Corporation's Systems Division will distribute and market INC's CM-1056 and CM-1056E CSU/DSUs for switched high speed applications through custom system integration bids.

Codex Corporation, headquartered in Mansfield, Mass., is a major manufacturer of private network data communications equipment. INC's products complement Codex's product line by offering access to new switched digital services being offered by local and long distance carriers.

The 1056 products to be distributed by Codex Systems Division are used extensively for videoconferencing, bulk data transfer and dial back-up applications using switched 56 services. INC currently sells these products through its own salesforce and through value added resellers. According to Bryan Hall, INC product line manager, "Codex has a large national salesforce which will enhance the distribution and availability of our 1056 products to Codex Systems Division customers. The decision to carry our products is supported by the growing customer interest in 'bandwidth on demand' services. With Codex's complete line of private network equipment and INC's switched network access units, customers will now be able to configure fail safe networks for their mission critical applications."

Headquartered in Bridgewater, N.J., INC designs and manufactures intelligent systems that provide universal access to advanced voice and data services. In addition, INC manufactures and markets an expanding line of customer premises equipment for high speed digital services.

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#90344p1482 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
LONDON (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - SmithKline Beecham (NYSE: SBH) today announced a restructuring of the company's board of directors in which the present board of 10 executive and 10 non-executive members will be replaced by a 16-member board with seven executive and nine non-executive members.

Describing the restructuring, Chairman Henry Wendt said: "Following the merger last year, our focus has been on the successful creation of a new company. As we move to the next phase our focus is on directing the development of SmithKline Beecham as a growing force in global health care.

"Change of this order begins in the board room. We believe the board should

reflect the transnational nature of our company. We also believe a board smaller than the present 20 members is now appropriate. Finally, we believe successful corporate governance now and in the future requires a board comprised of a majority of non-executive directors experienced in corporate matters, a broad perspective, and representative of a variety of points of view."

Wendt said that Alain Gomez, 52, a French national who is chairman and chief executive officer of Thomson SA, the leading French-based worldwide supplier of electronics and defense equipment, will be joining the SmithKline Beecham Board Jan. 1, 1991. Prior to joining Thomson in 1982 Gomez was chairman and chief executive officer of the glass and packaging division of Saint Gobain SA.

"Mr. Gomez has important experience in the international arena that will play a vital role in the deliberations of the new board," Wendt said.

Other non-executive members remaining on the board are: Andrew R. F. Buxton, Francis P. Lucier, William Grant, James White, Sir Robert Clark, Donald McHenry, Ralph A. Pfeiffer, Jr., and Sir Peter Walters. Sir John Kingman and Handel Evans, who had served as non-executive members have submitted their resignations.

In addition to Wendt, executive members remaining on the board are: Robert P. Bauman, chief executive; Dr. Keith Mansford, chairman, research and development; Jan Leschly, chairman, Pharmaceuticals; Frederick W. Kyle, president, commercial operations, Pharmaceuticals; Hugh R. Collum, finance director/chief financial officer; and John Hunter, chairman-Consumer Brands.

The executive board members submitting their resignations are: Kenneth Kermes, corporate development director; Peter Jackson, corporate personnel director, and Martyn Greenacre, chairman-European Pharmaceuticals. They continue as senior corporate executives and members of the executive committee, the company's top management forum.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Citicorp (NYSE: CCI) announced it intends to redeem on Jan. 29 its $75 million of Series 6A auction preferred stock which is scheduled for auction today.

Furthermore, Citicorp may repurchase certain shares of its remarketed preferred stock from time to time over the next several weeks depending upon market conditions.

Citicorp previously announced redemption of a total of $425 million of auction preferred stock.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Pacific Corporation (NYSE: SPC) is taking action to strengthen its profitable core businesses by disbanding its Merchant Bank; building its reserves for credit losses; and establishing other reserves which will result in reducing its net income for the full year 1990 to the range of $160 million to $200 million. The actions are expected to produce a fourth quarter loss in the range of $320 million to $360 million.

Robert H. Smith, president and chief executive officer, said, "Security Pacific has very strong core businesses in California, in the Pacific Northwest, and in our nationwide consumer and business finance companies. With this organizational and financial restructuring, we will allocate more of our capital to those strong and very profitable basic businesses. Our objective is to directly focus our strategies and our resources on the areas where we can consistently achieve solid profit growth. As a result of these actions, the corporation expects to substantially strengthen its future profitability. The overall strengths of the corporation permit us to take these actions at this time."

"We will establish a reserve to cover the costs of restructuring our merchant banking activity, which will result in a charge of approximately $200 million in the fourth quarter. We expect to sell, downsize, or completely withdraw from many of our European and Australian activities, due to dramatic and continuing changes in economic and financial markets. The plan includes the consolidation of traditionally profitable wholesale banking units into other parts of the corporation, with the elimination of underperforming units, and those which do not fit well with our consistently profitable core business activities," Smith said.

"Although we have increased our provisions for credit losses by 60 percent over the prior year to a total of $541 million through the first three quarters of 1990, we will be making a fourth-quarter provision in the range of $600 million to our reserve due to recent economic deterioration in a number of international and domestic markets. This provision is expected to be approximately $275 million in excess of anticipated fourth quarter loan losses. This significantly increased provision will bring our overall credit loss reserve to approximately 2.2 percent of total loans and leases outstanding, up from 1.8 percent at the end of the third quarter. We are also establishing an additional reserve of $50 million in anticipation of the accelerated disposition of commercial real estate acquired through foreclosure " Smith said.

With regard to dividend policy, management anticipates that it will recommend to the board of directors at its regular meeting in January 1991, that the quarterly dividend be maintained at its current level of $.63 per share, given SPC's historically strong core earnings sources, and its outlook for future profitability.

After these actions, at Dec. 31, 1990, the corporation's Tier 1 capital ratio is expected to be approximately 4.1 percent of risk-adjusted assets, which exceeds the year-end 1992 minimum regulatory capital guidelines.

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#90344p1490 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - A $200 million, five-year, single-supplier, partnership agreement has been signed by General Electric Company (NYSE: GE) with Xerox Corporation (NYSE: XRX), it was announced today.

The agreement covers rental and purchase of low-, mid- and high- volume copier and duplicator products ranging from the desktop-size Xerox 5012 convenience copier to the 135-copies-per-minute Xerox 5090 duplicator.

The partnership agreement, which applies to all GE facilities in the United States, includes technical service and supplies.

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#90344p1491 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Country Lake Foods Inc. (NASDAQ:CLFI) today became the first in the United States to announce introduction of an all-dairy milk with less cholesterol. The company's new LAND O LAKES(R) 2% Lowfat Milk with 60% Less Cholesterol represents a major technological breakthrough in dairy product development. It will be available to Minnesota consumers in a few weeks.

In addition, Country Lake Foods is currently working on the development of a full line of milk products with less cholesterol. The company expects to achieve a cholesterol reduction of up to 80 percent in whole milk, Thomas N. Packard, president, said.

The new products will be marketed under the LAND O LAKES brand name, which is licensed to Country Lake Foods.

"The development of cholesterol-reduced milk by Land O' Lakes is a significant advance for the dairy industry," Packard said. "The cholesterol is removed naturally, and the final composition of the milk is unchanged with the exception of the dramatic reduction in cholesterol."

"Our totally natural milk with less cholesterol offers consumers a new choice in milk that provides all the benefits of an all-dairy product including great taste," Packard said.

Other cholesterol-reduced milk-type products currently available in the U.S. contain substances that replace natural milk ingredients. These products, called "filled" milk, are not natural dairy products.

Headquartered in Minneapolis, Country Lake Foods produces and distributes fresh packaged milk, ice cream, other dairy products and fruit juices in a six-state Midwest region.

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#90344p1493 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Cunningham Communication, Inc. is expanding to the East Coast and today announced the establishment of an office here.

Founded in 1985 and offering a full range of communication, marketing, and public relations consulting services, including strategic communication planning, product positioning, sales and distribution strategies, press relations, and events management, Cunningham Communication has grown to be one of the San Francisco Bay Area's largest agencies, serving such clients as Motorola, Hewlett-Packard, Kodak, Aldus, Borland, and Autodesk.

"Our goal is to redefine the way companies view communication and public relations," said Andrea Cunningham, president and founder of the agency. "By establishing partnerships with our clients, we help them win in the marketplace. With an office in Cambridge, we can better serve clients throughout the country with no geographical limitations."

Cunningham's expansion will enable the agency to provide an increased level of service to its current client base, and to service clients in the country's major high technology centers. Maura FitzGerald, former senior vice president of Miller Communications, Inc., will manage Cunningham's East Coast office.

FitzGerald brings more than 15 years of experience in public relations and journalism to Cunningham's newest senior post. At Miller, FitzGerald was

responsible for the comprehensive strategic communication planning efforts for a variety of clients, including Compaq Computer Corp., Thinking Machines Corp. and American Superconductor Corp.

Cunningham Communication, Inc. is Silicon Valley-based consulting firm specializing in the development and implementation of strategic communication and marketing strategies for high technology companies.

Portfolio clients include Aldus Corp., Autodesk's Multimedia Division, Borland International, C-Cube Microsystems, Digital F/X, Eastman-Kodak, Electronic Arts, Hewlett-Packard Computer Systems Group, Information Networks Group and Software Engineering Systems Division, Interactive Systems, Metaphor Corp., Motorola Microprocessor and Memory Technologies, Network General, ParcPlace Systems and Truevision. The firm was established in 1985 and currently employs 40 associates.

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both of Cunningham Communication, Inc.

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#90344p1495 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, VA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Excalibur Technologies Corporation (NASDAQ: EXCA), a software development and marketing company, today announced the release of its Ultrix version of PixTex and Savvy/TRS, new generation text and image retrieval software for Digital Equipment Corporation's Unix systems and workstations. Ultrix is Digital's trademarked name for its Unix operating system.

"We are releasing PixTex and Savvy/TRS on Ultrix in response to demand from our users who are excited about having document image processing on Digital's workstations," said Pat Patterson, executive vice president of Excalibur Technologies Corporation. "The open architecture of Ultrix coupled with the high performance capabilities of reduced instruction computing is the perfect platform for document imaging systems. We believe that PixTex and Savvy/TRS are the most powerful and versatile electronic filing and imaging software products available today."

The Ultrix version of PixTex now features a user-definable thesaurus, unlimited data indexing, customizable windows, enhanced filing capability and multiple image display. "PixTex enables a company to locate information anywhere on its network and gives users rapid and accurate access to documents eliminating the problems of lost or misfiled papers," said Patterson.

The PixTex and Savvy/TRS software products are available directly from Digital Equipment Corporation under a distribution agreement with Excalibur. Digital and Excalibur target the fast-growing workstation market with this off-the-shelf product which provides content-based retrieval of text and

images. Imaging systems using Excalibur's software are now being used in the oil and gas, aerospace, insurance, semiconductor, pharmaceutical, petro-chemical and banking industries.

Excalibur Technologies Corporation is located at 2000 Corporate Ridge, Suite 1095, McLean, Va. 22102; telephone 703-790-2110.

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CERRITOS, CA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Cardis Corp. (OTC) achieved operating profits for the second quarter and six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, although interest expense contributed to a net loss for both periods.

Operating profit before interest expense was $264,000 in the second quarter versus an operating loss of $382,000 last year. The company reported a net loss of $871,000, or eight cents per share, for the quarter compared with a net loss of $1,334,000, or 12 cents per share, in the same period a year ago. Results reflect interest expense of $1,207,000 in the fiscal 1991 period versus $3,000 a year ago, when the company was operating under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. The company posted net sales of $21,114,000 for the three-month period, compared with $21,956,000 a year earlier.

For the six months ended Oct. 31, the company posted an operating profit of $223,000, versus an operating loss of $1,218,000 a year ago. Interest expense of $2,394,000 resulted in a loss of $2,042,000, or 19 cents per share, in the six months of fiscal 1991. In the prior-year period, the company incurred a net loss of $3,096,000, or 28 cents per share, including an extraordinary item associated with the debt restructuring and reorganization costs. Six-month revenue in fiscal 1991 was $42,632,000 compared with $43,257,000 a year earlier.

With the company's emergence from bankruptcy in December 1989, interest on debt has been charged to operations at contractual rates.

Kenneth D. Walker, Cardis president and chief executive officer, said the improved operating results reflected the continuing higher gross margins and further reductions in expenses, consistent with management's objectives.

Cardis Corp. currently operates nine warehouse distribution centers and 22 retail stores located throughout California.

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#90344p1499 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Odetics (AMEX: OA, OB) today announced the appointment of Donald Greenspan, division manager, Precision Time Division; Margaret Lamb, director of program management, Space Division; and Richard Petit, general manager, Automated Tape Library Division as vice presidents and officers of the company.

According to Joel Slutzky, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Odetics, the announcment of these new officers reflects a continuing effort to place decision-making authority with the company's operating divisions. "The best decisions are made by people who are closest to the action," said Slutzky. "The election of Don Greenspan, Margaret Lamb and Dick Petit as company officers recognizes the outstanding leadership they provide to their respective divisions.

"In addition," Slutzky continues, "their combined 44 years of experience with Odetics, coupled with their diverse backgrounds, provides a balanced viewpoint to the board. While all three manage major business operations, they come from very different areas of the company -- Don from sales and marketing, Dick from engineering and Margaret from quality."

Odetics, headquartered in Anaheim, California, is a leading manufacturer of intelligent machines, including information systems, for collecting digital and analog data, as well as robotic and artificial intelligence systems.

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#90344p1500 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of CalMat Co. (NYSE: CZM) has, effective today, elected Edward J. Kelly, vice president, controller.

Kelly, 35, comes to CalMat from Superior Industries International Inc., where he served as vice president, corporate controller and secretary. He formerly was an audit manager at the international accounting firm of Deloitte and Touche. Kelly holds a bachelors of science in business administration/accountancy from the University of Illinois, and is a certified public accountant.

CalMat is one of the largest United States producers of construction aggregates and asphalt, and is a major leader land owner in Southern California and Arizona.

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#90344p1501 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEOUL, R.O.K. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Cadence Korea Ltd. today announced that Goldstar Electron Co. Ltd. has selected Cadence's Opus(TM) IC Design System integrated circuit design software and Design Framework II architecture for the design of Goldstar Electron's next generation memory, applications-specific integrated circuit (ASIC) product families and custom integrated circuit services. Cadence Korea also announced that Goldstar Electron completed a major purchase of Cadence Opus tools during the third quarter 1990.

Goldstar Electron, a member company of the Lucky Goldstar Group which handles all of Lucky Goldstar's internal and external semiconductor business, chose the Cadence software after a comprehensive six-month competitive evaluation to determine the electronic design automation technology Goldstar Electron would require during the 1990s to become a worldwide IC supplier of DRAMs as well as gate array- and standard cell-based products and services.

Goldstar Electron has already received shipments of the Cadence Opus integrated circuit design software products, including the Cadence design entry system; Verilog(R) logic simulator and other verification tools; Gate Ensemble(TM) gate array layout package; and Dracula(R) IC layout verification package, all operating within the Cadence Design Framework II architecture.

In addition to Goldstar Electron, other Cadence Korea customers include divisions and member companies of Samsung, Hyundai and Daewoo.

Cadence Design Systems Inc. (NYSE: CDN) is a leader in the design, development and marketing of software solutions for the design of integrated circuits and electronic systems. Cadence, with offices throughout the U.S., Europe and Asia, is headquartered in San Jose, Calif., and is traded on the NYSE under the symbol CDN.

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LAGUNA HILLS, CALIF. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Community Psychiatric Centers (NYSE: CMY) announced today that total patient days in its psychiatric hospitals increased 13.3 percent during the fourth quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990. During the same period patient days in established hospitals (those open for more than 12 months during the reporting period) rose by 7.5 percent. Total admissions and admissions in established hospitals were up 20.4 percent and 11.0 percent, respectively, for the fourth quarter.

A statistical tabulation of this information and similar information for the full year 1990 follows:

COMMUNITY PSYCHIATRIC CENTERS
Patient Admissions Data

	4th Qtr. 1990	4th Qtr. 1989	Percent Increase
Total admissions	9,798	8,136	20.4
Total patient days	202,856	179,080	13.3
Average length of stay	20.7	22.0	---
Admissions in established hospitals (those open for more than 12 months during reporting period)	9,027	8,136	11.0
Patient days in established hospitals	192,453	179,080	7.5
Average length of stay	21.3	22.0	---
	Year 1990	Year 1989	Percent Increase
Total admissions	35,701	32,662	9.3
Total patient days	768,795	726,989	5.8
Average length of stay	21.5	22.3	---
Admissions in established hospitals (those open for more than 12 months during reporting period)	33,395	32,662	2.2
Patient days in established hospitals	731,497	726,989	0.6
Average length of stay	21.9	22.3	---

Financial results for the fourth quarter and year will be released at the end of January 1991 when the audit has been completed.

Community Psychiatric Centers owns and manages a chain of acute psychiatric hospitals. These facilities are located across the United States, primarily in the western and southeastern sections, and in the United Kingdom.

The stock of Community Psychiatric Centers is traded on the New York, Boston, Midwest and Pacific Stock Exchanges.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Cadence Design Systems Inc., (NYSE: CDN) a worldwide leader in electronic design automation (EDA) software, today

announced an agreement with Intel Corp. (NASDAQ: INTC) (Santa Clara, Calif.) to provide Intel with Cadence's Opus(TM) IC Design System and Design Framework II(TM) architecture technology. The Cadence tools will be utilized by internal design teams in the design of complex VLSI circuits.

"We selected the Cadence products after an intensive evaluation process of commercially available EDA offerings," said Albert Yu, Intel vice president and general manager of its Micro Products Group. "Our current tools will be supplemented with the features found in the Opus tool set."

The Cadence Design Framework II will support Intel's team engineering environment. In addition to Design Framework II, Intel will use Cadence's symbolic layout tools and Cadence's industry-standard Dracula(R) physical layout verification package.

Joseph B. Costello, Cadence's president and chief executive officer, said, "We are delighted that Intel has selected our software for internal adoption from among the offerings available from EDA developers.

"We are pleased that Intel has decided to use our Design Framework II to complement Intel's internal CAD tools with the commercially-proven Cadence offerings. We look forward to a long-term and mutually rewarding relationship with Intel."

Intel Corp. is an international manufacturer of microcomputer components, modules, and sytems.

Cadence Design Systems Inc. is a leader in the design, development and marketing of software solutions for the design of integrated circuits and electronics systems. Cadence, with offices throughout the U.S., Europe and Asia, is headquartered in San Jose and is traded on the NYSE under the symbol CDN.

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#90344p1507 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Granges Inc. (AMEX: GXL, Toronto: GXL) announced today that Tony White has accepted appointment to the board of directors of the company to fill the vacancy created by the resignation on Nov. 26, 1990 of Kenneth H. Dredge.

White, a mechanical engineer who resides in Brisbane, Queensland, is currently executive general manager-copper of M.I.M. Holdings Ltd. of Australia, whose wholly-owned subsidiary M.I.M. (Canada) Inc. has recently increased its 32.2 percent interest in Granges to 36.5 percent. White has been with the M.I.M.

Group for 30 years and has worked in the United States, Zambia and Western Australia, holding several senior management positions. In his current position as executive general manager-copper, he is responsible for the copper stream activities of the M.I.M. Group worldwide.

The company also reported that changes in senior management functions prompted the board to approve title changes for several senior management personnel. Effective Nov. 26, 1990, T. Derek Price formerly vice president commercial and acting chief financial officer, becomes vice president finance, R.J. (Don) MacDonald formerly vice president finance, becomes vice president corporate development, and David C. Beling, formerly acting vice president operations, becomes vice president operations (U.S.)

CONTACT: R.J. (Don) MacDonald, VP corporate development, Granges Inc., 604-687-2831.

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#90344p1510 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines today signed an agreement with Hawaiian Airlines that establishes a wide range of cooperative programs between the two companies, including the transfer to Northwest of Hawaiian's route authority to Australia and a 25 percent ownership in Hawaiian.

Northwest will pay Hawaiian and its parent, HAL Inc., $20 million, including $7 million as a secured loan, as part of the agreement. The pact is subject to government approvals and other conditions.

"The major component of the agreement calls for Northwest and Hawaiian to cooperate in areas of marketing and operations. This will produce major new revenue, significant cost savings and operational efficiencies," stated Tom Talbot, chairman of HAL.

The airlines will engage in other joint activities, such as fuel and parts purchasing, maintenance, revenue accounting, marketing, advertising, frequent flier programs, cargo interchange, and coordinated flight schedules, where savings and benefits will accrue to both Hawaiian and Northwest.

"The agreement fulfills two of our long-standing desires: to strengthen Northwest's presence in Hawaii through a relationship with a leading inter-island carrier, and to expand our international service by entering the Australian market," said John Dasburg, Northwest president and chief executive officer.

"Northwest flies a large number of tourists to Honolulu, and, under the agreement, Hawaiian will be able to best serve these passengers' inter-island transportation needs," Dasburg said.

Under the agreement, Northwest will lease two widebody aircraft, to be operated by Northwest pilots, to Hawaiian so it can operate seven flights a week on the Honolulu-Fukuoka, Japan, route.

In addition to transferring its Australia route to Northwest, Hawaiian also will transfer to Northwest its operating authority to fly between Guam/Saipan and Nagoya/Fukuoka.

Northwest is America's fourth largest airline, serving 130 cities in 41 states Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, Asia, and Europe. Its Honolulu flight schedule includes nonstops from Tokyo, Osaka, Seoul, Los Angeles, Seattle/Tacoma, San Francisco and, seasonally, Minneapolis/St. Paul.

Honolulu-based Hawaiian Airlines, Inc., Hawaii's largest airline, was founded 61 years ago and serves 22 international and domestic destinations in the Pacific. It operates more than 200 daily flights between the major Hawaiian islands, carrying approximately 4.5 million inter-island passengers a year.

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#90344p1513 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, ALA. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Jones Plumbing Systems Inc. (AMEX: JPS) announced today its third quarter 1990 operating results.

The consolidated net sales for the three-month period ended Sept. 30 were $10,948,002 compared to $10,201,737 for the same period ended 1989. The consolidated net sales for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30 were $31,174,635 compared to $28,796,638 for the same period ended 1989. The consolidated net sales excluding the effect of the sale of water treatment devices which were discontinued June 30, 1989, increased by 7.3 percent ($746,265) and 14 percent ($3,835,797) during the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively. Sales in 1989 of water treatment devices amounted to $1,457,800. These increases in sales were the result of new product sales, including J-Hook products, and increased market penetration. Sales of products of a partnership composed of a Jones subsidiary and another entity (Partnership) contributed to the increase in sales for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, but declined during the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to 1989, due to manufacturing difficulties and the resultant loss of several customers. Jones has made changes in executive and operating personnel of the Partnership to correct these problems.

Gross profit on sales for the three-month period ended Sept. 30 was $3,245,934 compared to $3,287,414 for the same period ended 1989. Gross profit on sales for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30 was $9,663,273 compared to $9,142,639 for the same period ended 1989. Gross profit on sales for the three months

and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, decreased and increased, respectively, compared to the comparable periods of 1989. Gross profit as a percentage of net sales decline to 29.6 percent and 31.0 percent for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30 compared to gross profit percentages of 32.2 percent and 31.7 percent for the comparable periods of 1989. These decreases also are attributable to the Partnership.

Income before taxes for the three-month period ended Sept. 30 was $188,330 compared to $856,017 for the same period ended 1989. Income before taxes for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30 was $1,401,227 compared to $2,113,414 for the same period ended 1989. Income before income taxes decreased $667,687 and $712,187 for the three months and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, respectively, compared to the comparable periods of 1989.

Jones Plumbing Systems Inc. is based in Birmingham, Ala., and is a fully integrated manufacturer and distributor of over 11,000 individual plumbing products, related hardware and other items. Its plant includes an automated cast iron foundry, rubber and plastic injection molding equipment, machining, stamping, roll forming and tooling and die facilities. The company sells its products to more than 6,800 customers who are wholesale plumbing suppliers, hardware wholesalers and original equipment manufacturers located primarily throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Fred T. Jones Jr. of Jones Plumbing Systems, 800-633-6633

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#90344p1514 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Greater New York Savings Bank (NASDAQ: GRTR) announced today that Marc A. Golden has been elected to serve on the board of directors of the bank effective as of today. Since 1986, Golden has been an investment banker and business consultant, serving as a vice president in the investment banking division of Goldman, Sachs & Co. and, more recently, as a managing director at Prudential-Bache Capital Funding, the investment and merchant banking arm of Prudential-Bache Securities Inc. Previously, Golden was a practicing corporate attorney associated with Cravath, Swain & Moore, a New York law firm. He has also served as a legislative assistant in the United States Senate.

Golden received his undergraduate degree from Yale College in 1975, his masters of business administration degree from Harvard Business School in 1980 and juris doctor degree from Harvard Law School in 1980. He is a member of the New York State Bar as well as the bars of various federal courts, including the United States Supreme Court. Golden resides in New York City.

Charles J. Ohlig, chairman and chief executive officer of The Greater, stated: "We are delighted to have Marc Golden join our board and welcome his outstanding experience in investment banking and law." Golden will serve in

the class of directors whose term of office expires in 1993.

The bank also announced today that George S. Horton will retire from the board of directors of the bank effective as of the 1991 annual meeting of shareholders. At that time Horton will have reached the retirement age of 75 set forth in the bank's by-laws. Ohlig stated: "George Horton has served the bank as a director since 1961. On behalf of the bank, we thank him for his years of faithful service and wish him much happiness in his retirement. He will be missed." With the addition of Golden, the bank will have 12 directors until Horton retires.

The Greater New York Savings Bank is an FDIC insured New York chartered stock savings bank with assets of $3.1 billion, deposits of $2.2 billion and total stockholders' equity of $211 million at Sept. 30, 1990. Nine of its 14 banking offices are located in Brooklyn, where The Greater was originally chartered in 1897, and its five other offices are located in Manhattan, Queens Nassau and Suffolk.

CONTACT: Philip Cimino of The Greater, 212-613-4063

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#90344p1519 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BASKING RIDGE, NJ (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T will revise its pricing of Reach Out(R) World service to Mexico on Jan. 1, pending FCC approval. The revisions will include price reductions.

Under the new structure, a direct-dial call from anywhere in the continental United States to Mexico will cost between $.25 and $.90 per minute, depending on which city in Mexico is called.

For example, a ten-minute call at 7 p.m. on Sunday from New York City to Mexico City will cost $9.00, a savings of $3.60 over the current Reach Out World price of $12.60. (See attachment for other examples and for comparisons to regular AT&T international long distance rates to Mexico.)

"Mexico is the second most frequently called country from the United States," said Raul Valasquez, manager, AT&T National Bilingual Center. "Because so many people want to keep in touch with family and friends, we've made our Reach Out World plan for Mexico an even more attractive way to help people do that."

Reach Out World plan prices to Mexico are available from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m. every week day and 24 hours a day on weekends. AT&T will waive the $5 service charge for new Reach Out World customers who sign up before Dec. 31, 1990. Current Reach Out World customers automatically will receive the new discount prices.

AT&T's Reach Out World plan offers savings on calls to more than 40 countries

and areas for a $3 monthly fee. Savings are available at least 13 hours every day and 24 hours a day on weekends. An additional five percent discount applies for each minute of a call longer than ten minutes. Reach Out World customers also receive a five percent discount on interstate direct-dial calls.

For more information about AT&T's Reach Out World service to Mexico and for a savings evaluation, call 1-800-525-6152.

REACH OUT WORLD PRICES
Comparison of current and proposed prices for a ten-minute call
at 7 p.m. on Sunday with AT&T standard international long distance prices.

FROM	TO	CURRENT	PROPOSED	AT&T ILD
New York City	Mexico City	$12.60	$9.00	$14.46
Los Angeles				
Chicago				
San Francisco				
New York City	Monterrey	6.00	4.50	7.86
Los Angeles				
Chicago				
San Francisco				
New York City	Cancun	13.30	9.00	15.16
Los Angeles				
Chicago				
San Francisco				

CONTACT: Lynn Newman, (201) 644-7041, or home, (201) 993-8033, or Richard Wallerstein, (201) 644-7052, or home, (201) 771-9570, both of AT&T.

-30- 2702
#90344p1520 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has released the results of a Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) report for Carolina Power and Light Company's Brunswick nuclear power plant, located near Southport, N.C., about 30 miles south of Wilmington.

In the report, the NRC said that the overall performance of Brunswick was good and that security at the facility continued to exhibit superior performance. However, the agency said that preliminary improvements observed in the areas of engineering and technical support were overshadowed by problems encountered during replacement of recirculation piping in Unit 2 and problems with the licensed operator requalification training program.

The NRC also said that problems encountered in the areas of plant operations, engineering and technical support, and safety assessment and quality verification were indicative of inadequate management support and involvement at both the site and corporate levels.

The agency told the company that increased management attention is warranted to bring about desired improvements in these areas without neglecting improvement efforts underway or planned in other areas. Here is the list of NRC SALP ratings for Brunswick:

Functional Area	Rating Last Period	Rating This Period
Plant Operations	2	2
Radiological Controls	2	2
Maintenance/Surveillance	2	2 (improving)
Emergency Preparedness	2	2
Security	1	1
Engineering/Technical Support	2	3
Safety Assessment/ Quality Verification	2	2

Category 1 is the best rating available, and Category 3 is the minimum acceptable achievement.

NRC officials will discuss details of the report with CP&L management in a public meeting to be held at the plant Visitor Center at 10 a.m. on Dec. 19. Copies of the report will be available at the meeting.

CONTACT: Ken Clark of the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, (404) 331-4503.

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#90344p1527 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Thomas Industries Inc. (NYSE: TII) indicated today continued deterioration of the economy may result in a decline near 10 percent in its year-end earnings, after adjustments for non-recurring items.

Thomas R. Fuller, President and Chief Executive Officer, said economic woes in both Canada and the U.S. are negatively affecting results from Thomas' lighting operations, while domestic orders for fractional horsepower compressors and vacuum pumps produced in U.S. operations are being hurt, as well.

"On the whole, operating income from lighting operations for the second half is essentially flat, although stronger than internal projections. Nonetheless U.S. and Canadian construction markets continue to worsen," Fuller said, "and we are not sure that we have seen the bottom."

Fuller said Thomas has been shielded somewhat for much of the year by a healthy market for the compressors and vacuum pumps it produces in the U.S. and Europe. "We are now seeing an erosion in domestic orders for our OEM pumps and compressors, although those we produce in Europe continue to enjoy solid

markets," he said.

"While we anticipate our fourth quarter to be stronger than that of 1989 after adjustments for non-recurring gains, the quarter will not be strong enough to prevent a decline in earnings for the full year," he said. "We expect the decline will be in the range of 10 percent on an adjusted basis," Fuller said.

Thomas Industries reported 1989 earnings per share of $2.02, including $0.75 attributable to non-recurring items. These non-recurring items included a first quarter gain of $0.21 and a fourth quarter gain of $0.54. Excluding these non-recurring items, Thomas Industries posted earnings per share of $1.27 in 1989. Through the first nine months of 1990, Thomas has reported earnings per share of $0.94.

Thomas Industries Inc. designs, manufactures and markets a broad array of commercial, industrial and residential lighting products, fractional horsepower compressors and vacuum pumps, as well as specialty products, for commercial, industrial and consumer markets. Thomas, with worldwide sales last year in excess of $436 million, has operations in the U.S., Canada, Europe and Asia.

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#90344p1530 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MASS. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Thermo Process Systems Inc. (AMEX: TPI) has authorized the repurchase, through November 1991, of up to 50,000 shares of Thermo Process Systems in the open market when securities are available at prices the company considers attractive.

Thermo Process Systems designs, manufactures, and sells advanced custom-engineered thermal-processing systems for the incineration of hazardous wastes and the automated heat treating of metal parts. The company also provides services for the on-site remediation of hazardous wastes and petroleum-laden soils, in addition to a comprehensive range of metallurgical processes. Thermo Process Systems is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

CONTACT: John N. Hatsopoulos of Thermo Electron Corporation, 617-622-1111

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#90344p1532 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTPELIER, VT (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Data Communications Group, a Vermont based communications company, announced a nationwide, 24 hour phone service

(1-900-329-2300) called Greet the Troops in Saudi Arabia which allows callers to record news, jokes, gossip, and words of encouragement and support on special 900 lines.

The recordings are then edited to select the most original messages and to eliminate racist or damaging comments and then packaged for shipment to Saudi Arabia. These messages are used to produce a 30 minute radio show.

Once in Saudi Arabia the show may be played on Armed Forces Radio Network as well as distributed on cassettes free of charge for troops to listen to at their leisure.

According to company President, David Davies, "Now anyone can directly support or encourage the brave young men and women who are away from home and loved ones for the holidays serving their country. This is a terrific way for us to do our part to help combat the fear, uncertainty, boredom, and loneliness they are facing out there in the desert. I feel they need all the support and encouragement we can given them." Apparently many agree.

Davies explained that the cost was kept very low so anyone can send a message. "It is actually cheaper than buying a cassette tape, recording it and mailing it yourself." Data-Com will distribute cassettes of messages free to the troops.

Anyone interested in leaving a personal greeting or listening to the messages left by others, can call "Greet the Troops" at 1-900-329-2300. The cost of the call is $1.25 per minute.

CONTACT: Peter Cammann or Dave Davies of Data Communications Group, 1-800-639-3038.

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#90344p1534 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Edison Brothers Stores, Inc. (NYSE: EBS), sales grew more than 17 percent in the third quarter, while earnings declined, it was reported today by Andrew E. Newman, chairman, and Martin K. Sneider, president.

The sales gains were attributable largely to new stores and acquisitions. Same-store sales grew only modestly in the third quarter and have continued at similar levels in the fourth quarter.

Edison's earnings for the third quarter were significantly affected by the general slowdown in retail sales during the period. In addition, increased off-price promotions eroded gross margins, contributing to the decline in earnings. The company reports that inventories are in line with current sales levels.

Net income was $11.3 million or 52 cents per share in the quarter ended November 3, 1990. This was a decrease of 28.5 percent in total and 33.3 percent per share compared with net income of $15.8 million or 78 cents per share in the quarter ended Oct. 28, 1989. (Income per share is adjusted for the December 1989 two-for-one stock split.)

Sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $310.6 million, an increase of 17.9 percent over the $263.5 million in the third quarter of 1989.

For the first 39 weeks of 1990, net income was $29.6 million or $1.40 per share. This was down 2.3 percent in total and 7.3 percent per share from $30.3 million or $1.51 per share in the first 39 weeks of 1989 (adjusted for the stock split).

Sales for the first 39 weeks of 1990 were $831.6 million, an increase of 17.7 percent over the $706.4 million in the first 39 weeks of 1989.

During the third quarter of 1990, Edison opened 105 stores, including 34 converted from Foxmoor and Fashion Conspiracy to other chains, and acquired 128 Webster stores. The company closed 26 stores in ongoing chains, ending the period with 2,784 units in operation. The full year will see about 300 store openings (not including acquisitions) and about 150 closings.

Edison Brothers Stores, Inc., operates JW/Jeans West, Coda, Oaktree, J. Riggings, Repp Ltd., and Webster men's apparel stores; 5-7-9 Shops women's apparel stores; Joan Bari accessories boutiques; Bakers, Leeds, Precis, Chandlers, The Wild Pair, Velocity, and Sacha London shoe stores; Fashion Shoe departments in certain department stores; Space Port and Time-Out entertainment centers; and Dave and Buster's restaurant/entertainment complexes.

CONTACT: Lee G. Weeks of Edison Brothers Stores, 314-331-6531.

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#90344p1537 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HARTFORD, CT (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - It was announced today by Motts Holdings, Inc., (AMEX: MSM), that it has been informed by the Shareholder Group, which in January 1988 initially indicated an intention to made an offer to purchase all the outstanding shares of the company's stock held by the public shareholders, that the Group at this time does not intend to make such an offer and is terminating all activities in connection therewith.

Motts further disclosed that it was notified by the Shareholder Group, that the Group will be disbanded effective with the filing of an amended Schedule 13D.

CONTACT: Ron Como & Associates, 212-227-3010, for Motts.

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#90344p1539 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Pacific Bank (NYSE: SPC) said today it has reached an agreement to begin selling Visa Travelers Cheques issued by Interpayment, a company founded in 1989 by Barclays Bank. This change will take effect Jan. 1, 1991.

"The decision by Security Pacific Bank confirms the value of our strategy to provide neutral-name Visa Travelers Cheques," said John Hayes, president of Interpayment, USA & Latin America.

"Our travelers cheques carry only the name of the selling organizations -- in this case Security Pacific -- and are supported by Visa, one of the world's most widely accepted travelers cheque names," he added.

Many banks and other financial organizations offer travelers cheques bearing the name of the major cheque issuer, Hayes noted. This has the effect of promoting the name and product of a rival.

"Security Pacific Bank's decision to begin selling Visa Travelers Cheques is the strongest possible endorsement of our product and testimony to its strength," added Jean-Jacques Desbons, executive vice president of Visa International. "Visa continues to be the fastest- growing brand of travelers cheques in the world."

"Interpayment, backed by its global network and its state-of-the-art automated services, will provide sales and marketing support for Security Pacific," said Hayes.

The Visa network supports Interpayment Travelers Cheques around the world through a variety of services. These include the Visa Refund Centers, operating 24 hours a day, delivering refunds from over 350,000 locations worldwide, a wide range of currencies, free lost card protection, and advertising/promotional support.

Interpayment is the largest issuer of Visa Travelers Cheques worldwide. Security Pacific Bank is the principal subsidiary of Los Angeles- based Security Pacific Corporation, the nation's fifth largest bank holding company, with more than $88 billion in assets.

CONTACT: John Hayes of Interpayment, 212-618-8108; or Alan Quinby of Kerr Kelly, 203-622-1723, for Security Pacific

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#90344p1542 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHESDA, MD. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Martin Marietta Corporation (NYSE: ML) has been awarded a $150.2-million U.S. Army contract for ongoing production of sophisticated helicopter night vision systems.

Martin Marietta Electronic Systems in Orlando, Fla., will deliver an additional 119 Target Acquisition Designation Sight/Pilot Night Vision Sensor (TADS/PNVS) units to the Army beginning in 1992 and continuing until 1994.

TADS/PNVS is an integral component of the Army's AH-64 Apache helicopter, enabling pilots to fly at extremely low altitudes in total darkness and in poor weather, see ground targets, and attack them at standoff ranges.

The new TADS/PNVS order designates 73 systems for U.S. use and 46 units for Egypt and Israel as part of foreign military sales of the Apache helicopter.

The system, currently deployed with Apache helicopters in support of Operation Desert Shield, has achieved 95 percent full mission capability, according to Army data, and also is exceeding reliability specifications.

The latest contract brings total TADS/PNVS orders to 864 systems and cumulative program funding to nearly $2 billion.

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#90344p1543 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Car and Driver magazine has named the 1991 Mercury Tracer LTS, Lincoln-Mercury's all-new sporty sedan, and the entire 1991 Mercury Sable line as two of its "10 Best" cars of 1991.

Lincoln-Mercury is one of four automotive divisions, and the only domestic automaker, to place two cars on the "10 Best" list. "Our first criterion, of course, is excellence," William Jeanes, editor of Car and Driver, said of the selection process. "The second might be stated as a question: 'Would we buy and be seen in this car?' Third is how well the car does the job for which it was intended."

"You will find no wimp-out 'Import' or 'Domestic' designations on our list," Jeanes continued. "We look at cars the same way 80 percent of new-car buyers do: We look for the best one."

"We are extremely honored to have achieved this award." said Ross H. Roberts, Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) vice president and general manager of Lincoln-Mercury. "This is just one more piece of evidence that we are building and selling cars that provide high quality and good value, as well as a fun driving experience."

Jeanes said the Tracer LTS "gave us more of what we like in a small sedan." "There's excellent fit and finish, enough room, a reasonable price, and a twin-cam, four-cylinder engine that takes Tracer driving out of the humdrum and into the high-grin world," Jeanes said.

The Sable, which shares the award with its stablemate, the Ford Taurus, "still provides the best range of family sedans geared to the mind of the practical folk and the heart of the enthusiast," Jeanes said. "Even the wagons are fun."

The Car and Driver "10 Best" competition, in its ninth year, limits any automotive nameplate from placing more than two cars on the list.

CONTACT: John Spelich of Lincoln-Mercury Division, (313) 446-4399.

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#90344p1544 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal Communications Commission has granted an experimental license for BellSouth Enterprises Inc. and Sony Corporation of America to run a technical and limited user trial of a wireless communications system on the University of Georgia campus in Athens, Ga.

The trial will take place over a three-month period beginning immediately and will be available to approximately 35 users.

The Athens trial will involve eight public base stations and 35 single-user base stations which have a transmission range of up to 200 meters each. All trial users will have digital handsets capable of placing outgoing calls through the public base stations. The participants will also have single-user base stations in their homes and/or offices which allow for incoming and outgoing calls on the handsets. Some users will also be provided with pagers to be used in conjunction with their handsets during portions of the trial.

Sony has made arrangements to provide the hardware and the software required for this test from a current equipment manufacturer in the United Kingdom, and BellSouth Enterprises will provide the necessary management and operating infrastructure. The system has been modified to operate on expanded cellular band "B" in the 846.5 to 849 MHz range. This frequency band is already licensed to a subsidiary of BellSouth Enterprises for cellular and other service offerings.

BellSouth Enterprises' Wireless Strategy Group studies the market for and technical viability of a number of wireless systems. The group has completed a nationwide study of broad-based market opportunities for personal communications systems and is conducting a personal communications services trial in Atlanta. The Wireless Strategy Group is part of BellSouth Enterprises which manages a group of companies within BellSouth Corp. (NYSE: BLS) that

provide telecommunications and data processing equipment, mobile telecommunications services and directory advertising publishing services throughout the world.

Sony markets a broad line of consumer telecommunications products including cordless and feature telephones, telephone answering devices and accessories. Sony recently established a research laboratory in northern New Jersey to support the development of telecommunications technologies.

CONTACT: Carlton Hill of BellSouth Enterprises, 404-249-4135; Lisa Baldino of Sony, 201-930-7341; or Tom Jackson of the University of Georgia, 404-542-3354.

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#90344p1547 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST KINGSTON, RI (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - American Power Conversion Corp. (NASDAQ: APCC) has been selected to provide Uninterruptible Power Supplies (UPS) to computer systems at Army, Navy, and Defense Logistics agency installations under the Small Multiuser Computer (SMC) Contract awarded to systems integrator Electonic Data Systems (EDS) on July 27, 1990.

APC will provide UPS protection to Unix-based Prime computers and Everex workstations used by the government in the United States and abroad. Up to 20,000 computer systems are expected to be provided under the terms of the Prime contract. Over the next several years, APC is expected to supply approximately 42,000 UPS units to protect these systems.

Rodger Dowdell, president, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, "Although it's difficult to estimate total value at the outset of the contract, this work could mean as much as $15 million to the company."

"Defense agencies will be performing critical applications on these systems," said Dowdell. "The recent blackouts in Chicago and Manhattan re-emphasize computers' susceptibility to data loss. In this type of environment, UPS protection is essential."

American Power Conversion is a leading manufacturer of uninterruptible power sources (UPS) for use with computers and similar power-sensitive electronic equipment.

CONTACT: Aaron Davis, ext. 2022, or Rodger Dowdell, ext. 2023, both of American Power Conversion, 401-789-5735.

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#90344p1552 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CT (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Magellan Petroleum Corporation (NASDAQ: MPET) said its subsidiary, Magellan Petroleum Australia Limited, has completed

the Dingo No. 3 appraisal in central Australia's Amadeus Basin, as a shut-in gas well.

The company said the well recorded a gas flow of 2.8 million cubic feet per day from the Arumbera Sandstone Reservoir at a depth of about 9,700 feet, but that the lower portion of the formation -- which produced gas flows at the two previous Dingo Wells -- was absent at Dingo No. 3.

A Magellan spokesman said the Australian unit and its partners are planning an extensive testing program at Dingo No. 3 as well as a reworking of Dingo No. 2 about one mile to the south, prior to considering further development of the field. He also pointed out that the commerciality of the field would be established by flows of 5 million cubic feet per well per day.

The spokesman further noted that the Navajo Venture, in which the Australian unit has an 11.875 percent interest, is now producing approximately 3,100 barrels of oil and 8.1 million cubic feet of gas per day from its 54,000-acre concession area in the southwestern United States.

CONTACT: Arthur B. O'Donnell of Magellan Petroleum, 203-525-1202

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#90344p1553 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - British Airways' (NYSE: BAB) traffic growth in November reflected continued uncertainty in the Gulf coupled with softness in certain economies. Traffic in terms of scheduled revenue passenger miles (RPMs) increased by 4.6 percent compared with the previous year and was in line with growth in the month of October.

The slowdown in traffic growth was evident on both intercontinental and shorthaul services, with an increase in RPMs of 4.9 percent and 3.3 percent, respectively. With a capacity increase of 9.5 percent, there was a 3.0 point reduction in passenger load factor. Cargo continued to grow faster than passenger traffic, with cargo RTMs up by 5.7 percent compared with the previous year.

For the financial year to date, traffic (RPMs) increased by 10.5 percent on a capacity increase of 10.2 percent, producing a passenger load factor of 73.2 percent, up 0.2 points on the previous period. The number of passengers carried on British Airways scheduled services increased by 8.8 percent, and cargo traffic (RTMs) was up by 4.9 percent.

Highlights of the Month British Airways announced September quarter earnings of 116 million pounds sterling ($217 million), up 9.4 percent on the same period last year. An unchanged interim dividend of 31.7 pence per ADR was declared.

British Airways announced the creation of two new brands for passengers traveling in the Economy cabin in an effort to win a greater share of the air travel market. World Traveller on intercontinental services and Euro Traveller on shorthaul services will, from Jan. 15, 1991, offer passengers more comfortable seats, improved catering and a new range of in-flight entertainment, but most importantly, they will provide a new approach to service.

Director of Flight Crew, Captain Colin Barnes, is to become a non- executive director of British Airways Plc and chairman of the board's Air Safety Review Committee with effect from April 1, 1991. Captain Jack Jessop will retire from the board at the same time.

CONTACT: Sandy Gardiner, 718-397-4725, or Ernest David, 718-397-4225, both of British Airways

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#90344p1561 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Dress Barn, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: DBRN) announced today that sales for its first quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990, were $78,694,000 compared with $69,315,000 last year, an increase of 14 percent. Earnings for the 13 week reporting period were $4,082,000, a decrease of 7 percent from the $4,396,000 earned during the 13 week period ended Oct. 28, 1989.

At Oct. 28, 1990, the company operated 502 stores, compared to the 436 it had open at the end of the fiscal period a year ago. Since the end of the fiscal quarter the company has opened eight additional locations.

The Dress Barn, Inc. operates a chain of off-price women's apparel stores, offering in-season, moderate to better quality fashion apparel, primarily with nationally recognized brand names, at substantial discounts from department store prices.

THE DRESS BARN, INC.
(unaudited)

Thirteen weeks ended	10/27/90	10/28/89
Sales	$78,694,000	$69,315,000
Net income	4,082,000	4,396,000
Per share earnings	.18	.20

CONTACT: Michael Palmer, executive vice president of Dress Barn, 203-327-4242

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#90344p1564 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Cambridge NeuroScience Research, Inc., announced today that it has received a $500,000 Phase II Small Business Innovative Research grant from the National Institutes of Health to develop antipsychotic medicines with improved safety profiles over existing drugs.

Substantial achievements during the NIH-supported Phase I of the project, have enabled the company to project an IND (Investigational New Drug application) filing to the FDA to begin clinical trial in the United States within the next 18 months.

Schizophrenia affects one to two percent of the population throughout the world. Currently, the majority of drugs available for treatment target a particular brain protein known as the dopamine receptor and are associated with severe side effects.

Cambridge NeuroScience is targeting a different protein, the sigma receptor. Findings from Phase I preclinical in vivo studies show that the company's sigma receptor-targeted compounds have been free of dopamine-related side effects and have potential antipsychotic activity.

Cambridge NeuroScience is a Cambridge, Mass. based neuropharmaceutical company which employs advanced drug discovery technologies to develop patentable drugs for the treatment and prevention of severe neurological and psychiatric disorders.

CONTACT: Robert A. Curtis, Pharm.D. of Cambridge NeuroScience Research, (617) 225-0600; or Robert Gottlieb of Peter Feinstein, Inc. for Cambridge NeuroScience Research, (617) 577-8110.

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#90344p1565 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MASS. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO) and a majority-owned subsidiary, Thermo Energy Systems Corporation, today announced completion of a sale and leaseback of the $91 million Delano I biomass-fueled power plant in Kern County, California, in a transaction with Westinghouse Credit Corporation.

Delano I, which was completed this fall and has net electric generating capacity of 27 megawatts, is fueled by agricultural and wood wastes. The facility passed its utility capacity demonstration test in excess of 100 percent of its rating. Designed to meet California air-quality standards, Delano I features a high-efficiency fluidized bed combustion system and sophisticated emission controls. The plant's electrical output is being sold to Southern California Edison under a 30-year agreement. Thermo Energy Systems, through Delano Energy Corporation, will operate the facility.

Thermo Energy Systems develops and operates alternative energy power plants,

including biomass-fueled electric power plants and fossil-fueled cogeneration plants. Delano I is one of three biomass-fueled power plants operated through Thermo Energy Systems subsidiaries in California. Thermo Energy Systems also provides operation of alternative energy facilities in New England.

Thermo Electron develops, manufactures, and markets environmental and analytical instruments, custom-engineered and pre-packaged cogeneration systems, industrial process equipment, biomedical materials and products, and fabricated biomedical and aerospace components. The company also provides metallurgical heat treating, water quality engineering,and analytical laboratory services.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael Perry, currently the director responsible for Unilever's personal products operations, is to be appointed to the special committee, Unilever's three-man chief executive. He is also to become a vice president of Unilever PLC.

He will succeed Ronald Archer who will not seek re-election to the boards of Unilever at the annual meetings on May 8, 1991, having reached retirement age. By that time, Archer will have served Unilever for 38 years, 13 of them as a director, including two years on the special committee.

Antony Burgmans, chairman of PT Unilever Indonesia, is to be nominated a director of Unilever at the 1991 annual meetings.

Michael S. Perry, CBE: (born Feb. 26, 1934) joined Unilever in 1957 and was appointed a director in 1985. His previous appointments in Unilever included: chairman Lever Brothers Thailand 1973-77; president Lever y Asoc. Argentina 1977-81; chairman, Nippon Lever KK 1982-83; chairman, UAC International 1985-87; personal products coordinator 1987-91. Perry was awarded the CBE in June 1990 for his services to export as chairman of the Japan Trade Advisory Group.

Ronald W. Archer: (born Dec. 12, 1929) joined Unilever in 1953 and was appointed a director in 1978. He has been a member of the special committee since 1989. His previous posts with Unilever included: vice chairman of Hindustan Lever 1968-70; overseas committee 1970-74; deputy financial director Unilever 1974-78; commercial director, Unilever 1978-83; personnel director, Unilever 1983-89. Archer is a vice chairman of the Halifax Building Society.

Antony Burgmans: (born Feb. 13, 1947) joined Unilever in the Netherlands in 1972 and has been chairman of PT Unilever Indonesia since March 1988. His previous appointments included that of marketing and sales director with Lever

in the Netherlands 1982-85; and marketing director, Lever Germany 1985-87. He studied business administration at Nijenrode, the Netherlands, and social and political sciences in Stockholm. He gained a degree in business administration at Lancaster University.

CONTACT: John T. Gould Jr. of Unilever, 212-906-4694, or at night, 203-329-7590.

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CHERRY HILL, NJ (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation will engineer, build and operate a 50-megawatt cogeneration power plant in Binghamton, N.Y., for Binghamton Cogeneration Limited Partnership (BCLP). The company also will procure equipment for and maintain the $60 million facility.

The plant site is adjacent to the Anitec Image Division of International Paper Company complex in Binghamton, which will use some of the thermal energy and electricity generated. Electricity from the cogeneration facility will also be sold to New York State Electric & Gas under a power purchase agreement executed in December 1988.

Cogeneration Partners of America will complete development of the project and will be BCLP's manager during construction and operation of the facility. The partnership consists of subsidiaries of Atlantic Generation, Inc., TriStar Ventures Corporation and Stone & Webster Development Corporation.

Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Stone & Webster, Incorporated (NYSE: SW), New York City, engineers and constructs oil/gas processing, petrochemical, chemical, electric- power, industrial, environmental and civil-works facilities around the world. Stone & Webster Development Corporation, another unit of Stone & Webster, Incorporated, develops projects, mainly related to power generation, for which other subsidiaries provide engineering, design and construction management services.

Cogeneration Partners of America is owned by Atlantic Generation, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Atlantic Energy, Inc., and TriStar Ventures Corporation, wholly owned subsidiary of The Columbia Gas System, Inc.

CONTACT: Martin Reynolds of Stone & Webster, 617-589-1905.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert W. Maher, president of the Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association (CTIA), last Friday (Dec. 7, 1990) issued the following statement regarding Hughes Aircraft Company's scheduled

Dec. 11 announcement of a new cellular technology:

"I've just been informed by Hughes Network Systems on the plans they will announce on Dec. 11 in New York. I'm excited for the company and for our cellular industry.

"Most people know that historically the cellular telephone industry has grown at a more rapid pace than either facsimile or VCR sales. But our most exciting growth is still ahead. These developments by Hughes Network Systems and General Motors will continue to boost our momentum."

CTIA is the trade association that represents the cellular telephone industry in the United States. It was formed in 1984, shortly after the first cellular systems were activated in the U.S. CTIA now represents more than 90 percent of all licensed cellular carriers and virtually all equipment manufacturers.

Headquartered in Washington, D.C., CTIA represents the industry before regulatory and Congressional bodies, helps oversee the introduction of new technology, and stages the nation's cellular convention each year.

CONTACT: Jeffrey L. Christmas of Hill and Knowlton, (212) 697-5600 or (212) 210-8330, for Hughes Network Systems.

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#90344p1575 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, NJ (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Dow Jones Information Services today announced the addition of an electronic clipping service to Dow Jones News/Retrieval.

The Dow Jones Clipping Service keeps News/Retrieval's online subscribers informed 24 hours a day about breaking business news of interest to them. Using the clipping service, subscribers can identify in advance the kinds of articles they want to receive.

The service automatically searches for those articles and stores them in personal electronic folders for later viewing. When users enter News/Retrieval they are alerted to articles that have been clipped.

The clipping service currently searches five exclusive real-time Dow Jones newswires - Dow Jones News Service (the "Broadtape"), Capital Markets Report, Professional Investor Report, Dow Jones International News Services and Federal Filings - and the Business Wire and PR Newswire.

Subscribers access Dow Jones Clipping Service by typing //CLIP. They can then create up to ten folders, each containing as many as five search statements. Because search statements may combine news codes, company and industry symbols and words or phrases, the information //CLIP retrieves may be as broad or as

specific as desired. Stories are held in folders for up to seven days.

"The Dow Jones Clipping Service allows News/Retrieval subscribers to keep on top of the subjects they are most interested in without having to conduct searches themselves," said Richard J. Levine, vice president and editorial director of Dow Jones Information Services. "Subscribers need only check their folders to stay abreast of the latest news and information." Users pay usage and information unit charges and a monthly folder fee.

Dow Jones Information Services is an operating group of Dow Jones & Company, Inc. (NYSE: DJ). Launched in 1974, Dow Jones News/Retrieval provided financial professionals with business and financial news.

With the addition of company data, profiles and more than 500 business publications, Dow Jones News/Retrieval has since become a leading provider of online business news and information. It serves corporate managers as well as financial professionals and personal investors.

Dow Jones is the exclusive online provider of the full text of the Wall Street Journal, Barron's, and the Dow Jones family of domestic and international newswires.

In addition to the Dow Jones newswires and News/Retrieval, Dow Jones publishes the Wall Street Journal, Barron's and the Ottaway group of community newspapers. The company also owns Telerate, Inc., a supplier of real-time financial information, decision support products and transaction services to the international business community.

CONTACT: Alyce Perkins of Dow Jones & Company, (609) 520-4638.

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#90344p1577 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHELTON, CT (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Data Switch Corporation (NASDAQ: DASW) reported today that it has repurchased $1 million face amount of the company's 8.25 percent convertible subordinated debentures, due 2002.

The debentures were purchased in an unsolicited transaction from a single seller at a purchase price of approximately $580 per $1,000 bond, and will result in a small extraordinary profit in the fourth quarter, according to Michael D. Stashower, Data Switch senior vice president and chief financial officer.

Stashower added that the company had previously purchased approximately $5 million face amount of its 15 percent senior subordinated debentures, due 2000 of which approximately $2 million face amount was purchased in the current quarter. "These purchases, which are possible because of our cash flow, enable us to improve our leverage ratios and reduce our average borrowing

costs."

Stashower stated that the company expects from time to time to acquire senior subordinated debentures in unsolicited transactions, but that it has no immediate repurchase plans.

CONTACT: Michael D. Stashower, senior vice president and CFO of Data Switch, 203-926-1801

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#90344p1579 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) is introducing a revised buyer incentive program for the period Dec. 12-Feb. 28 that responds to market tests of dealer and customer preferences.

Ford's present marketing program, which offers customer cash rebates or annual percentage (APR) financing on most 1991 cars and trucks, will expire on Dec. 11. Ford's new program will provide its dealers with alternative cash incentives on most vehicle lines.

"This new program returns the merchandising responsibility to our Ford and Lincoln-Mercury dealers," said Robert L. Rewey, Ford vice president - Sales Operations. "It also enables Ford and its dealers to focus on product advertising and customer satisfaction - which will build owner loyalty - rather than simply selling 'the deal.'

"During the past five months we have tested the new program first in Seattle, and then throughout the Pacific states. We learned that this area not only outperformed the rest of the country, but the dealer and customer satisfaction with the selling process improved significantly."

Exceptions to the new dealer cash programs are customer cash allowances of $500 on the 1991 Ford Escort, Ford Festiva and Mercury Tracer, and $1,000 on the Ford Ranger truck and Mercury Grand Marquis. No customer or dealer cash incentives are offered on 1991 Lincolns, Mercury Capri, and Ford Explorer.

In addition, Ford will offer buyers alternative APR financing of 7.9 percent for 24, 36 and 48 months on the 1991 Escort, Festiva, Tracer, Ranger, and Grand Marquis.

"We are continuing rebates in most of the country on selected models, to ease the transition - for both customers and dealer organizations - to this significantly different way of marketing our products," Rewey said.

CONTACT: David Krupp of Ford, (313) 337-3864.

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#90344p1585 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Northern Border Pipeline Company and Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America announced today they have signed an agreement under which Northern Border will interconnect with Natural's recently completed Iowa Line.

As part of the agreement, Northern Border will acquire and operate the line, subject to approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Northern Border will reimburse Natural for costs related to construction of the pipeline.

The 150-mile, 30-inch diameter Iowa Line stretches from the current terminus of the Northern Border pipeline, at Ventura, Iowa, in Hancock County, to Natural's compressor Station 109 near Harper, Iowa, in Keokuk County. Construction of the line began in June and was completed at the end of October.

The Northern Border system originates at the Canadian border near Monchy, Saskatchewan, where it joins a pipeline moving gas from the province of Alberta, Canada.

Northern Border and Natural will proceed immediately with the construction of the interconnection facilities at Ventura. That work is expected to be completed within a few weeks and gas transportation under authority of Section 311 of the Natural Gas Policy Act will start promptly upon completion of the of the facilities.

According to Northern Border management committee chairman Larry L. DeRoin, Northern Border will amend its current optional certificate application, now pending before the FERC, to extend its pipeline from Ventura to Tuscola, Illinois, or refile to seek the necessary approvals to purchase the Iowa Line as part of that expansion/extension project. Under the agreement, Northern Border will purchase the Iowa Line upon receipt of an acceptable FERC certificate for the project.

"The agreement includes a provision that Natural will support the proposed purchase and its inclusion in Northern Border's expansion/extension project up to Station 109 before the FERC," DeRoin continued. "We are now pressing forward with added enthusiasm our efforts to secure a certificate for the completion of our project to Tuscola."

"This agreement provides an opportunity to build on the strengths of two existing pipeline systems to improve the efficiency of the interstate gas transportation grid," said John F. Riordan, president and chief executive officer of MidCon Corp., Natural's parent company.

The Northern Border Pipeline Company is a general partnership which includes subsidiaries of four major energy companies: Enron Corp., Houston; TransCanada

PipeLines, Calgary; Panhandle Eastern Corporation, Houston; and The Williams Companies, Inc., Tulsa.

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America is a unit of MidCon Corp., based in Lombard, Illinois. MidCon is a subsidiary of Occidental Petroleum Corporation, Los Angeles.

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#90344p1586 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - JB's Restaurants Inc. (NASDAQ: JBBB) announced today the completion of an exclusive area development agreement with Sbarro Inc.

This marks the company's entry into the rapidly growing Italian fast-food segment.

"The unique Sbarro concept provides JB's a high-margin vehicle to increase future growth and profitability, and enhance shareholder value," said Fred Gonzales, president and chief operating officer of JB's. "The Sbarro concept complements our core JB's Restaurant concept. Because Sbarro's features Italian entrees in a fast-food format primarily in regional malls, it does not compete directly with the JB's Restaurant concept."

Under the terms of the agreement, JB's obtained the three-year exclusive rights to develop and operate Sbarro restaurants in the Phoenix, Ariz., and Portland, Ore., markets. Plans are to open a minimum of 19 new Sbarro restaurants in these markets and in contiguous markets when and where appropriate. In addition, JB's acquired three operating Sbarro restaurants in Phoenix from Sbarro Inc. and from a Sbarro franchisee.

"Currently, Sbarro is only in approximately 10 percent of the regional malls in the United States. We see tremendous potential for JB's in this area and believe the timing is right to expand the Sbarro concept into our markets," said Gonzales.

To ensure market dominance, JB's will continue new store expansion within its markets to further strengthen its successful JB's Restaurant concept. Also, the company's knowledge of these markets will benefit Sbarro potential in this region.

JB's Restaurants Inc. operates 133 JB's family style restaurants, franchises one JB's family style restaurant, and operates three franchised Sbarro restaurants in the western United States.

CONTACT: David E. Pertl, vice president and CFO of JB's Restaurants, 801-974-4300, or Shirley J. Jemison, vice president of Carl Thompson Associates, 801-533-0303, for JB's Restaurants

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#90344p1590 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TX (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The CompuAdd Corporation today announced the CompuAdd Companion SX for people who have been waiting for a high-performance notebook computer without a high price tag.

The Companion SX, based on the powerful Intel 20MHz 386SX microprocessor, can handle state-of-the-art software programs on the job, in the home or on the run. The new system weighs 5.7 pounds including battery. With dimensions of only 8 inches by 11 inches by 1.8 inches, it can be carried easily in a briefcase.

The base price of $3,995 includes 2MB of RAM, a 20MB hard disk, a built-in 3.5-inch floppy diskette drive and a side-lit, 10-inch diagonal VGA display. The Companion SX also comes with a mouse and preloaded with Microsoft Windows 3.0 and MS-DOS 4.01. The unit can be upgraded to 6MB in 2MB increments; a 40 MB hard disk model is also available for $4,395.

The Companion SX is backed by CompuAdd's 30-day money-back guarantee, one-year warranty and toll-free technical support for the life of the product. It will be available in the first quarter of 1991 through CompuAdd's company-owned stores and direct marketing channels.

CONTACT: John Q. Pope of CompuAdd, 512-250-2000.

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#90344p1592 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLYMOUTH MEETING, PA. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Charter Power Systems Inc. (AMEX: CHP) announced today that net income for its third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, rose 23 percent to $1,263,000 or 22 cents a share, from $1,030,000 or 18 cents a share earned in the third quarter of 1989.

Sales for the period increased 7 percent to $42.1 million from $39.4 million in the prior year.

For the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, net income rose 64 percent to a record $3,977,000 or 70 cents a share, up from $2,425,000 or 43 cents a share for the same period in the previous year. Sales were a record $125.3 million, 5 percent higher than sales of $118.9 million reported in the first nine months of last year.

Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Robert Alvine stated, "The

company is pleased with the continued strong operating results, particularly in light of the more difficult economic environment. We intend to continue to pursue strategies and programs to further enhance our opportunities in the future. We also expect to continue to strengthen the company's balance sheet by reducing long-term debt."

The company's net cash flows of $10,338,000 provided by operating activities for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, rose 9 percent from the same period a year ago. For the eighth consecutive quarter, long- term debt was reduced, reaching a new low of $41,504,000. This combined with more favorable terms negotiated last year and lower base rates, reduced the company's third quarter interest expense by 23 percent to $1,053,000 from $1,365,000 during the same period last year.

"While overall economic weakness in the U.S. and Canadian economies is expected to continue in the fourth quarter, its effect on the company's performance should be mitigated by our enhanced operational effectiveness and reduced interest expense," added Alvine.

Charter Power Systems is a leading manufacturer of battery power systems and their components for commercial, industrial and government use in the North American standby power and motive power markets.

CONTACT: Donald L. Nevins Jr. (financial), 215-834-7334, or Robert Schechter (shareholders), 212-421-3125, both of Charter Power Systems

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#90344p1593 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SADDLE BROOK, N.J. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Vornado, Inc. (NYSE: VNO) reported today a loss for the third quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990 of $2.3 million or $1.10 per share, compared to a profit in last year's third quarter of $4.1 million or $1.81 per share. For the nine months, Vornado reported profits of $4.3 million or $1.98 per share, compared to $9.1 million or $3.97 per share in the previous year.

Vornado's third quarter loss results from inventory write-downs in its merchandising operation and from unrealized losses in its securities portfolio. Operating cash flow from its core real estate business improved to $10.9 million in this year's third quarter, compared to $10.7 million in the same period last year.

VORNADO, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Operating Results
(Amounts in thousands, except per share amounts)

For the three months ended	Oct. 27, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
Revenues	$23,010	$27,857
Income/(loss) before income taxes	(3,838)	6,572

Income taxes	(1,537)	2,442
Net income/(loss)	(2,301)	4,130
Net income per share	(1.10)	1.81
Average number of shares & share equivalents outstanding (where not antidilutive)	2,092,238	2,279,519
For the nine months ended	Oct. 27, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
Revenues	$64,275	$73,338
Income before income taxes	7,208	14,920
Income taxes	2,893	5,799
Net income	4,315	9,121
Net income per share	1.98	3.97
Average number of shares & share equivalents outstanding (where not antidilutive)	2,180,821	2,299,460

CONTACT: Joseph Macnow of Vornado, 201-587-1000

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#90344p1595 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Bio-Vascular, Inc. (NASDAQ: BVAS), a St. Paul, Minn.-based company, announced today that it achieved a profit of $60,413 in its fourth quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. This compares to a loss of $36,771 for the fourth quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989. Net sales for the quarter increased 128 percent to $819,023 as compared to sales of $358,671 in the fourth quarter of the previous fiscal year.

Sales for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990, increased by 111 percent to $2,770,652 as compared to sales of $1,310,843 in the previous fiscal year. The company's loss for the year ended Oct. 31, 1990, was $179,842 which compares to a loss of $326,516 for the year ended Oct. 31, 1989.

The company is pleased with its progress and anticipates continued growth in both sales and profits.

Bio-Vascular, Inc. is a manufacturer and marketer of proprietary medical products for use in cardiac and vascular surgery. Bio-Vascular's common stock is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the symbol BVAS.

BIO-VASCULAR, INC.

	Quarter Ended		Fiscal Year Ended	
	10/31/90	10/31/89	10/31/90	10/31/89
Net sales	$819,023	$358,671	$2,770,652	$1,310,843
Net income (loss)	$60,413	$(36,771)	$(179,842)	$(326,516)
Net income (loss) per common share	$.02	$(.01)	$(.05)	$(.10)
Weighted average				

number of common shares outstanding	3,857,650	3,287,352	3,793,814	3,253,237

CONTACT: Daniel Holman or John Darnall, of Bio-Vascular, Inc., 612-631-3529

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#90344p1596 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines and Amtrak today unveiled an exclusive new Air-Rail transportation package that will enable travelers to purchase exciting vacations combining the best of both worlds - air travel on United and train travel on Amtrak.

Reservations for the air-rail transportation packages, which are competitive with existing round-trip excursion air fares, will be accepted after Jan. 2 as part of Amtrak's 1991 Great American Vacations program. United will be Amtrak's airline partner for the air-rail packages which feature flexible round-trip itineraries, including stopovers.

Amtrak's Air-Rail Travel Plan can be a transportation-only package or it can be combined with another Amtrak Great American Vacations package to include lodging and sightseeing, a cruise or escorted tours. All Amtrak Great American Vacations travel agency bookings are commissionable.

Amtrak's Air-Rail transportation plan may be used for coach-class transcontinental trips or regional travel to any Amtrak or United destination in the continental United States (except Alaska). The transcontinental fares will begin at $419 but will be $499 during the high season (summer and Christmas through New Year's). Regional programs - featuring selected gateways - range from as low as $299 to $419 in the fall, winter and spring and $349 to $489 in the summer.

Amtrak's Air-Rail Travel Plan is designed for use in two ways: travel one way by rail and return by air; or travel by air to a gateway city, travel around the region by rail, and return to a gateway city for a flight home.

For example, a traveler could fly from Phoenix to Chicago on United, travel around the East and South on Amtrak, ending up in New Orleans for a flight back to Phoenix. Three stopovers are allowed on the rail portion of the journey.

"Amtrak knows it can attract thousands of new passengers with this program," said Timothy P. Gardner, Amtrak's vice president of passenger marketing. "Long-distance train trips have enormous appeal among prospective Amtrak passengers, but many people lack the vacation time for a cross country train trip both ways. The Amtrak Air-Rail Travel Plan will enable travelers to take an extended train trip and then fly home," he said.

Route compatibility and new marketing opportunities are principal reasons for the Amtrak-United agreement, said Christopher D. Bowers, United's vice president and general sales manager.

CONTACT: Sara Dornacker of United Airlines, (708) 952-6561; or Sue Martin of Amtrak, (202) 906-3860.

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#90344p1597 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, GA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Total System Services Inc. (NYSE: TSS) today announced the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend of $.07 per share to be paid to shareholders of record Dec. 21, 1990, payable on Jan. 2, 1991.

Total System Services Inc. stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "TSS."

CONTACT: K. Michael Sawyer, vice president and secretary of Total System Services, 404-649-2266.

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#90344p1604 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH PALM BEACH, FL (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Golden Bear International, Inc., today announced the formation of the Jack Nicklaus/Jim Flick Golf Schools for the domestic market. The schools draw upon the collective expertise of Jack Nicklaus' competitive career and Jim Flick's 35 years of teaching. The first Nicklaus/Flick Schools will be operating in 1991 at Desert Mountain in Scottsdale, Ariz; Columbia Lakes, a resort conference center south of Houston; and PGA National in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

"Entering this golf school business is a logical and very credible expansion of our golf business activities," said Nicklaus from the headquarters of Golden Bear International. "Because golf is an endless learning process, I've worked with teachers throughout my career. Skilled instruction is the fastest way -- if not the only way -- to play the game as well as you are able.

"We spent more than a year looking for a person who shared my concepts of how the game can be played most easily and consistently and who could communicate these ideas to golfers of all ability levels," said Nicklaus. "What allowed us to go forward is the unique combination of my experience as a player and Jim Flick's success as a top teacher."

Although friendly for years, Nicklaus and Flick first worked together earlier this year when Nicklaus won The Tradition at Desert Mountain. The Scottsdale, Ariz., event was Nicklaus' first outing on the Senior PGA Tour. Flick, recognized as one of the finest instructors in the world, was the PGA Teacher of the Year in 1988. He has worked with more than 100 players on the PGA,

LPGA, and Senior PGA Tours, taught the game to all levels of golfers in 23 countries, and is the author of four top-selling golf instruction books.

"I'm truly excited about the opportunity to work with Jack Nicklaus and offer the finest level of instruction," said Flick. "Jack and I share the belief that if you're a golfer, you'll have more fun if you play better."

The foundation of the Nicklaus/Flick Golf Schools is based on the philosophy that the best teachers teach people -- not methods.

This framework offers a comprehensive curriculum developed by Nicklaus and Flick which makes use of state-of-the-art technology developed exclusively for the schools. For instance, the schools will offer use of the Jack Nicklaus Coaching Studio in which students will have their golf swing videotaped for detailed analysis. Alumni of the Nicklaus/Flick Schools will be offered a chance to review their skills with instructors on an ongoing basis.

Earlier this year, Golden Bear International, along with Mitsubishi Corporation and Suntory Limited, announced plans to establish a nationwide network of golf teaching and practice facilities in Japan. These facilities feature a similar curriculum developed by Nicklaus for use in the United States.

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#90344p1607 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Bio-Technology General Corp. (NASDAQ: BTGC) announced today the further expansion of its clinical program with the initiation of a clinical trial aimed at testing the safety and pilot efficacy of its recombinant human superoxide dismutase (SOD) in ulcerative colitis patients. The study is being coordinated at Hammersmith Hospital, London, and is believed to be the first ever to evaluate the product in the treatment of this condition.

Ulcerative colitis, an inflammatory bowel disease, is a severe chronic disease of the large intestine. Affected patients experience acute periodic episodes which are characterized by high fever, hemorrhage and, ultimately, perforation. An estimated two million Americans suffer from inflammatory bowel disease and each year 30,000 new cases are diagnosed in the United States. Current anti-inflammatory therapy of ulcerative colitis is of limited efficacy and is often associated with adverse reactions. Since there is emerging evidence that the inflammatory response in the gut is mediated by oxygen free- radicals, treating ulcerative colitis with the free-radical scavenger SOD may reduce the severity as well as the incidence of acute

inflammatory episodes.

"We are in the process of undertaking the most ambitious clinical program in BTG's history", stated Sim Fass, president of the company. "Next year, BTG's products are to be involved in nearly 20 clinical trials conducted in 10 different countries. The trials are being conducted to further advance BTG's full and exciting pipeline of near and longer term products. With several of these products approaching commercialization, we expect 1991 to be a milestone year in the company's history."

CLINICAL STUDIES FOR BTG'S PRODUCTS

Product	Indication	Phase	Studies
Vitamin-D3 Metabolite	Psoriasis	III	2
Hepatitis Vaccine	Hepatitis-B	II	5
Hyaluronic Acid	Ophthalmic Surgery	II	2
	Dry Eye Syndrome	II	1
Human Growth Hormone	Anabolic Effects	I/II	4
Superoxide Dismutase	Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia	I	1
	Rheumatoid Arthritis	I	1
	Colitis	I	2

Bio-Technology General Corp. is principally engaged in the research, development and manufacture of genetically engineered products for human and animal health care.

CONTACT: Leah Berkovits of BTG, 212-239-0450

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#90344p1608 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - OEA Inc. (AMEX: OEA) the Denver-based, high-technology manufacturer of aerospace and automotive products, announced record sales, earnings, and backlog for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Ahmed D. Kafadar, chairman and chief executive officer, reported increases in both net sales and earnings over the prior-year first quarter. Net sales and earnings for the quarter were $18,701,300 and $2,779,200, respectively, compared to $15,357,700 and $2,163,600 for the prior-year first quarter. Earnings per share for the quarter were 41 cents compared to 32 cents per share for the fiscal year 1990 first quarter. The parent company and all subsidiaries and divisions contributed to the 22 percent sales and 28 percent net earnings increases. Operating profits increased to 23 percent and OEA's financial condition remained strong with working capital of $50,990,600 and shareholders equity of $73,071,300.

Bookings of new engineering work and follow-on production of both aerospace devices and automotive air bag initiators exceeded $21 million during the quarter. OEA's backlog of unfilled orders accordingly increased to a record

$92 million at Oct. 31, 1990, up from the $90 million reported a year earlier.

OEA is a leader in the field of propellant and explosive-actuated devices used in (1) the personnel escape systems of military aircraft, missiles, and for space application and (2) the automotive air bag. All new aircraft, such as the F-4, F-111, F-14, F-15, F-16, F-18, B-1B, B-2, S-3A, and AH-64A, the Space Shuttle, and missiles/launchers, such as the Delta II, Titan, Harpoon, Trident ALCM, Peacekeeper, ACM, Ariane, and SICBM, have OEA developed and manufactured devices. Most domestic automobiles equipped with an air bag use an initiator manufactured by OEA's Automotive Safety Products Division.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Crawford & Co. (NYSE: CRDA CRDB) and Graham Miller Group jointly disclosed today that Crawford & Co. has completed its previously announced acquisition of Graham Miller Group for a total consideration of $24.9 million in cash and notes.

F.L. Minix, chairman and chief executive officer of Crawford & Co., stated that the acquisition of Graham Miller, a London-based international claims adjusting firm, was an important strategic move for Crawford & Co. "With the trend toward global financial and insurance markets," Minix said, "it has become obvious to us that we must have an integrated, world-wide claims network in order to maintain or increase our present market share in the United States, because our insurance company and self-insured clients are increasingly requiring this scope of service. Furthermore, we have recently endeavored to gain increased business from U.S.-based risks which are underwritten in London. With Graham Miller's strong connection to the Lloyds market, London brokers and other international underwriters, this business should accelerate. In addition, we see opportunities for international expansion of the other Crawford services not presently offered by Graham Miller."

Minix further stated that, with the acquisition of Graham Miller, Crawford & Co. becomes the largest international independent claims adjusting firm in the world. Crawford & Co., which has more than 700 offices in the United States and Canada, reported 1989 revenues of $374 million. Graham Miller, which has 56 offices in 40 countries, achieved 1989 revenue of 11.2 million pounds (approximately $22 million at present currency exchange rates).

W.J. Bolton, chairman of Graham Miller Group, said that, "the nationwide network of offices in the U.S.A. and Canada, together with the financial strength of Crawford & Company, will enable Graham Miller to compete more effectively around the world and to capitalize more readily on market opportunities."

Minix emphasized the strategic importance of Crawford's international expansion. "We did not make this acquisition to achieve a short-term financial benefit, but rather for its long-term strategic fit," Minix said. "In fact, the acquisition may cause a slight dilutive effect on Crawford's 1991 earnings of $.01 - $.02 per share. However, this is an investment which we must make in order to position ourselves as a major service provider in the emerging international insurance markets of the 1990s."

Minix stated that the existing management of Graham Miller Group, which led a management buy-out in 1987, would remain in place after the acquisition, and would report to Dennis Smith, newly elected president of Crawford & Co. International. Smith, the former senior vice president of Crawford's Midwest Region, will be based in London.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - R.H. Macy & Co., Inc. announced today that early termination of the applicable waiting periods under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 has now been granted to three investors who have agreed to purchase up to approximately $72 million of shares in the company's previously reported plan to sell additional equity to existing non-management investors. The company said that, as a result, a $70 million minimum condition to closing the offering can now be satisfied.

Macy's said it expects Hart-Scott-Rodino clearance to be received shortly for a fourth large investor who has agreed to purchase approximately $20 million of shares in the offering, and that additional subscribers are currently completing the subscription process.

Macy's has extended the expiration date of the offering to December 14, 1990, from December 7, 1990.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermedics Inc. (AMEX: TMD) announced today at a press conference in New York that the American Stock Exchange has purchased an EGIS(R) explosives detector. The EGIS installation at the American Stock Exchange represents the first sale of this security system to a commercial facility in the United States.

Following a demonstration of the device at the American Stock Exchange, Charles Diecidue, vice president of special services for the Exchange, said that EGIS "effectively complemented the Exchange's existing security measures." Diecidue said that although the system is not in specific response to any direct threats, it could be effectively integrated with existing security systems which include X-ray machines and metal detectors. "With responsibility for the many people who work at this facility, we want to be sure that we are using the latest and most up-to-date security technologies," Diecidue added.

The EGIS explosives detector is capable of detecting trace amounts of military and commercial explosives including plastics. Originally developed under U.S. State Department funding for use at embassies, the EGIS has also been tested at airports and other facilities around the world during the course of the product's development. "EGIS has passed many rigorous operational tests with successful results," said John W. Wood Jr., president of Thermedics. "We are very pleased that our technology is now being used for commercial as well as government applications." EGIS has been designed for use as an integral part of the security program for any type of sensitive facility.

Thermedics develops, manufactures, and markets biomaterials, biomedical products, analytical instruments, and explosives- and drug-detection devices, and provides analytical laboratory services. Thermedics is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

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WINDSOR, UNITED KINGDOM (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Albert Fisher Group PLC ("Albert Fisher") announced today that it has completed the acquisition of two businesses and a subsidiary company from subsidiaries of the Campbell Soup Company ("Campbell") for a total cash consideration of 15.116 million pounds sterling subject to adjustment based on the net assets at the close of business on Dec. 7, 1990.

The Campbell's businesses and subsidiary which have been purchased are: Campbell's U.K. Vegetable Division ("Campbell's Frozen Vegetables") Campbell Seafoods N.V. (trading as "Morubel") Campbell's U.K. Seafood Division ("Campbell's Seafood") Campbell's Frozen Vegetables is based at Hemel Hempstead and is a leading supplier of frozen green vegetables to retailers. The majority of vegetables are purchased from growers in the United Kingdom, however the division is also the largest importer of frozen green vegetables (16,000 tons annually). The division uses third party cold storage, processing and distribution facilities at strategic locations throughout the

United Kingdom. Turnover in the year to July 29, 1990 was 78 million pounds from approximately 115,000 tons of frozen vegetable and potato products.

Morubel and Campbell's Seafood together form one of the leading processors and distributors of frozen, warm water prawns and other specialty fish products to the retail and food service markets in the United Kingdom, Belgium, Germany, France and Italy. The business is organized into two operating units, Morubel and Campbell's Seafood ("the Seafood business"). Morubel is located in Ostend Belgium and is responsible for the processing of seafood products and for Continental European marketing and sales activities. Campbell's Seafood is located in Hampton Wick, near London and handles European procurement and United Kingdom marketing and sales. Morubel has extensive processing and packing facilities at its freehold premises with a production area of approximately 4,500 square meters and a leasehold cold storage facility of 3,000 square meters. The turnover of the Seafood business in the year to July 29, 1990 was 38 million pounds.

The combined net tangible assets of the three businesses at completion amount to approximately 15.018 million pounds after deducting borrowings of 9.46 million pounds. Combined adjusted profits before taxation in respect of the year ended July 29, 1990 were 3.1 million pounds on turnover of 116 million pounds.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Randal McDonald, president of Conquest Exploration Company (Conquest), and C. Robert Black, president of Texaco Latin America/West Africa (Texaco) jointly announced today a farmout agreement between Conquest Exploration Tunisia, Inc. and Texaco Exploration El Jem Tunisia, Inc., wholly owned subsidiaries of the respective companies. The agreement is subject to ratification by the Tunisian Parliament.

The agreement provides that Texaco will acquire a 60 percent interest and operatorship in Conquest's El Jem block, onshore Tunisia. The block is located 150 kilometers south of the capital Tunis encompassing approximately 987,000 acres.

Under the terms of the agreement, Texaco will assume the cost of drilling one or more exploratory wells and will fund the acquisition of a seismic program during an initial three-year exploratory period. It is estimated that the work program will result in Texaco's spending up to $10 million over the three-year exploratory commitment period.

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ARLEE, MONTANA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Montana Naturals Int'l. Inc. (NASDAQ: MTNA) announced today the hiring of a new National Sales Manager for its Montana Big Sky(TM) brand. The company has obtained the services of Michael Taylor to head its national sales program. Taylor comes to Montana Naturals from Murdock Healthcare (Nature's Way) in Springville, Utah. Taylor was their National Accounts Manager and the Northeastern Regional Sales Manager. Taylor comes highly recommended as one of the industry's leading sales professionals. The health food industry recognizes Nature's Way as a leading manufacturer.

Taylor will be responsible for expanding the company's retail account base nationwide through the company's distributor and broker network. He will also be responsible for opening new niche market opportunities for the company's products.

Taylor replaces Jack Cross, who is leaving the company to join his wife, Lei Ann, in developing their own business. During his tenure with Montana Naturals, Cross played a significant role in establishing the company's relationship with national and regional distributors and developing a broker network. The Crosses are purchasing the Nutra Bee(R) product line which Montana Naturals acquired three years ago. They will be doing business as Energetics Naturally. Energetics will focus on developing mass market opportunities with a natural energy product. It will also introduce other natural products for the mass market. Energetics will have its product manufactured by Montana Naturals.

According to company President, Ronald O. Hauge, "We're excited to have a person of Mike Taylor's caliber coming to Montana Naturals. He's the right person, at the right time, for the job. We're sorry to lose Jack Cross, but are enthusiastic about Energetics' potential as a customer."

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) issued the following debenture announcement:

Date of Offering: Dec. 12, 1990
Issue Date: Dec. 17, 1990 Term: 10 years
Amount (millions): $700 Maturity Date: 12/18/00
Date of First

Interest Payment
(then semi-annually): 06/18/91 Date interest rates
and prices will be announced: Dec. 11, 1990

The net proceeds of this offering will be added to the working capital of the Federal National Mortgage Association and used for general corporate purposes.

Debentures will be issued in book-entry form only. The minimum purchase is $10,000 and multiples of $5,000 thereafter. The offering is being made through Fannie Mae's Senior Vice President - Finance and Treasurer, Gary L. Perlin, and Vice President and Assistant Treasurer, Linda K. Knight, 3900 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016, assisted by a nationwide selling group of recognized securities dealers.

The issues that are offered on Dec. 12, 1990, will be free to trade at 8:20 a.m. EST.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Jeffrey B. Lane, former president and chief operating officer of Shearson Lehman Hutton, Inc., will join Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. to become senior officer responsible for several key divisions in the investment firm, it was announced today by Frank G. Zarb, chairman and chief executive officer. Lane will also become a vice chairman of Smith Barney.

His appointment becomes effective Jan. 2, 1991. Lane will assume responsibilities for the firm's asset management group, which consists of its money management, mutual fund and unit trust products and services; the sales/marketing product support groups; and the firm's futures division.

Lane, 48 (DOB 6/25/42), will maintain his corporate responsibilities at Primerica Corporation, including oversight of the newly formed Smith Barney Trust Company. Smith Barney is a wholly owned subsidiary of Primerica, which Lane joined earlier this year.

"Jeff is a longtime associate of mine, with a wealth of knowledge and experience in the securities industry," said Zarb. "We're very fortunate to have an opportunity to draw on his talents as we continue to build the Smith Barney of the 1990s."

Before joining Primerica, Lane had been president and chief operating officer of Shearson since 1987. He joined Cogan, Berlind, Weill and Levitt & Co., a predecessor firm to Shearson, in 1969 as a securities analyst. After serving in a number of management capacities in institutional research, sales and

trading, he was named chief operating officer of Shearson in 1983.

Primerica Corporation is a diversified financial services company with assets of $21 billion. Smith Barney became a subsidiary of Primerica in June, 1987.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Neutrogena Corp. (NASDAQ: NGNA) today reported net income for its fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990 of $17,234,000, or $.65 per share, on net sales of $209,841,000. For fiscal year 1989, the company earned $26,745,000, or $1.00 per share, on revenues of $203,212,000.

For the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter, net income was $3,157,000, of $.12 per share, on net sales of $56,007,000. This contrasts with net income of $5,388,000 or $.20 per share on net sales of $55,513,000 in the corresponding year-earlier period.

The 1990 results were negatively impacted by approximately $.12 per share related primarily to certain inventory write offs, temporary suspension and reformulation of two Neutrogena products, and a provision for executive severance.

Neutrogena President and Chief Executive Officer Lloyd E. Cotsen said: "Results for the year reflected tighter retailer inventory controls and heightened competition, along with higher promotion expenses at a time of relatively flat sales and a downturn in the economy.

"Somewhat offsetting these conditions were a good performance by our international division, specifically in Europe, and the introductory sales of our special shampoo and conditioner products for permed or color-treated hair."

He added that unit sales were down significantly for regular Neutrogena Shampoo and Neutrogena Conditioner, and the company hopes to counter the erosion of sales through a national television advertising campaign now underway.

Cotsen noted that in line with long-term corporate goals international sales rose to 15 percent of total sales from 11 percent a year ago. This increase included product introductions in new markets, as well as growth in existing lines.

Marketing and selling expenses as a percent of sales rose to 56 percent in fiscal 1990 from 49 percent the year ealier, due principally to costs associated with the testing of television advertising, new product introductions, international programs, and promotional programs conducted in

conjunction with retailers.

The cost of sales as a percent of sales rose two percentage points to 26.5 percent due primarily to higher than normal inventory write-offs and reformulation costs.

Neutrogena Corp., headquartered in Los Angeles, manufacturers and sells high-quality, premium-priced specialty skin and hair care products.

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BOSTON (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boston Five Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: BFCS), holding company for The Boston Five Cents Savings Bank, FSB reported a net loss of $13.6 million, or $1.93 per share, for its fourth quarter, ended Oct. 31, 1990, compared with a net loss of $23.0 million, or $3.27 per share, in the fourth quarter of 1989. For the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990, The Boston Five had a net loss of $15.3 million, or $2.17 per share, compared with a net loss of $15.7 million, or $2.22 per share, for 1989.

As of Oct. 31, 1990, The Boston Five exceeded all three current Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) regulatory capital requirements. The Boston Five has a book value of $15.53 per share.

During the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, The Boston Five's deposits increased from $1.6 billion to $2.0 billion. Borrowed funds decreased from $364.8 million to $280.0 million. These changes resulted primarily from the previously announced acquisition of $462 million in deposits from the failed 1st American Bank for Savings on Oct. 19, 1990. The Boston Five paid a premium of $2.1 million to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) for the right to acquire these deposits. As a result of this deposit acquisition, the bank intends to allow certain high cost deposits and borrowed funds to roll off as they mature during the first half of fiscal year 1991.

Residential mortgage production totalled $296.1 million for the fourth quarter of 1990, compared with $340.4 million in the comparable quarter of 1989. For the year, residential production was $1.05 billion, compared with $1.02 billion in 1989. Total loan production for the year was $1.16 billion, compared with $1.20 billion for 1989. The Boston Five services $1.8 billion in mortgages for others, a decrease of 28 percent from the $2.5 billion serviced as of Oct. 31, 1989.

As of Oct. 31, 1990, the bank's non-performing assets totalled $137.9 million, compared with $125.2 million as of Oct. 31, 1989. The reserves for loan losses

were $28.6 million as of Oct. 31, 1990, compared with $34.4 million as of Oct. 31, 1989. The provision for loan losses in the fourth quarter of 1990 was $7.4 million, compared with $22.6 million in the fourth quarter of 1989. The loan loss provision for the year ended Oct. 31, 1990, was $14.3 million, compared with $25.6 million for 1989. Net charge-offs for the quarter and year ended Oct. 31, 1990 were $3.6 million and $20.0 million, respectively, compared with $3.2 million and $7.0 million, respectively, in the corresponding periods of 1989.

In the fourth quarter of 1990, The Boston Five had net interest income of $9.5 million, compared with $13.2 million in the fourth quarter of 1989. For the year ended Oct. 31, 1990, net interest income was $43.5 million, compared with $55.7 million a year earlier.

Non-interest income categories generated a loss in the fourth quarter of 1990 totalling $6.8 million, compared with a loss of $11.3 million in the fourth quarter a year ago. The fourth quarter loss in 1990 included a $6.7 million net loss relating to real estate operations and a $4.4 million net loss on securities. These two losses primarily reflect changes in market conditions that resulted in write-downs of properties on which the bank had previously foreclosed and of securities held for sale that are reported at the lower of cost or market value. The net gain on the sale of loans and servicing was $9.3 million in fiscal 1990, compared with $2.4 million in 1989. For the year non-interest income was $3.1 million for 1990, compared with a loss of $774,000 for 1989.

Operating expenses for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $13.7 million, compared with $16.3 million for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989. Fiscal year operating expenses were $53.9 million for 1990, compared with $55.8 million in 1989.

On Oct. 22, 1990, the 11 former offices of the 1st American Bank for Savings opened for business as offices of The Boston Five. Subsequently, the bank announced that it would close six of these branches on Dec. 15, 1990, and continue to operate the remaining five. These five offices serve the Dorchester, Mattapan and Roxbury neighborhoods of Boston and Quincy, Mass.

The Boston Five Bancorp, Inc. is the holding company of The Boston Five Cents Savings Bank FSB. With total assets of over $2.4 billion, The Boston Five is the largest savings bank headquartered in Massachusetts. Deposits of The Boston Five are insured by the Bank Insurance Fund (BIF) of the FDIC.

THE BOSTON FIVE BANCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Dollars in thousands except per share amounts, unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Year Ended	
	10/31/90	10/31/89	10/31/90	10/31/89
Interest income	$48,447	$56,549	$201,807	$224,753

Interest expense	38,939	43,344	158,332	169,066
Net interest income	9,508	13,205	43,475	55,687
Prov. for losses on loans	7,423	22,583	14,317	25,583
Net int. inc. after prov. for losses on loans	2,085	(9,378)	29,158	30,104
Non interest income:				
Loan and other related fees	680	585	1,932	2,666
Mortgage service fees	1,362	1,865	6,511	6,724
Customer service fees	508	531	2,009	2,154
Real estate operations, net	(6,714)	(10,396)	(13,236)	(15,970)
Other income	305	116	1,237	1,147
Gain (loss) on securities, net	(4,437)	(5,334)	(4,692)	(1,335)
Gain on sale of loans and servicing, net	1,448	1,359	9,318	2,434
Gain on sale of building	---	---	---	1,406
Total non interest income	(6,848)	(11,274)	3,079	(774)
Non interest expenses:				
Salaries & fringe bene.	6,327	6,395	24,796	23,883
Occupancy	1,730	1,957	7,496	6,767
Data processing	1,078	997	4,182	4,093
Loan service fees	344	314	1,215	1,194
Other	4,204	6,668	16,195	19,904
Total non interest expenses	13,683	16,331	53,884	55,841
Income (loss) before income taxes	(18,446)	(36,983)	(21,647)	(26,511)
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	(4,873)	(13,945)	(6,381)	(10,816)
Net income (loss)	$(13,573)	$(23,038)	$(15,266)	$(15,695)
Earnings (loss) per common share:				
Primary	$(1.93)	$(3.27)	$(2.17)	$(2.22)
Dividends per common share	---	18 cents	12 cents	72 cents

Earnings (loss) per share were calculated using the following number of common shares

	Three Months Ended		Year Ended	
	10/31/90	10/31/89	10/31/90	10/31/89
Primary	7,039,122	7,039,122	7,039,122	7,062,893

THE BOSTON FIVE BANCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
Conolidated Statements of Financial Condition
(Dollars in thousands)

	10/31/90	10/31/89 Assets
Cash and due from banks	$29,843	$40,129
Federal funds sold and securities		

purchased under agreements to resell	1,093	---
Investment securities at cost, net (market value $404,040 & $107,124)	413,474	113,533
Securities held for sale, at lower of cost or market	25,412	53,201
Mortgage-backed securities, at cost (market value $79,912 and $60,413)	85,072	63,603
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	16,470	20,670
Loans	1,671,795	1,891,520
Loans to joint ventures	22,002	75,380
Allowance for loan losses	(28,588)	(34,369)
Real estate acquired by foreclosure and termination of joint ventures	54,316	15,734
Investment in joint ventures, net	16,268	5,898
Bank premises, furniture & equipment, net	57,349	16,319
Accrued interest and dividends receivable	18,365	22,384
Goodwill, net	8,496	7,389
Purchased and excess mortgage servicing rights	25,802	29,230
Refundable federal and state income taxes	2,893	12,857
Other assets	8,192	11,652
Total assets	$2,428,254	$2,345,130
Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity Liabilities		
Deposits	$2,013,155	$1,740,662
Borrowed funds	272,007	383,692
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	---	41,063
ESOP debt	8,003	9,044
Advances from borrowers for taxes and insurance	12,210	21,231
Accrued interest payable	9,966	9,956
Accrued and deferred federal and state income taxes	477	7,092
Accrued expenses & other liabilities	3,124	8,008
Total liabilities	$2,318,942	$2,220,748
Stockholders' equity Serial preferred stock, authorized 5 million shares: none issued and outstanding	---	---
Common stock, 1 cent par value, authorized 20 million shares; issued 7,141,922 shares	71	71
Paid-in capital	41,514	41,514
Retained earnings	77,095	93,206
Treasury stock, 102,800 shares,		

at cost	(1,365)	(1,365)
ESOP debt	(8,003)	(9,044)
Total stockholders' equity	109,312	124,382
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$2,428,254	$2,345,130

THE BOSTON FIVE BANCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
(unaudited)
Net Interest Margin, Ratios and Average Balances (a)
(Dollars in thousands)

	Three Months Ended	
	10/31/90	10/31/89
Net interest margin	1.90%	2.35%
Net interest spread:		
For the period	2.05%	2.10%
At the end of the period	2.26%	2.04%
Net income (loss) as a percentage of:		
Average assets	(2.47%)	(3.88%)
Average equity	(46.46%)	(65.24%)
Average equity to average assets	5.41%	5.95%
Average assets	$2,199,038	$2,374,690
Average earning assets	$2,003,850	$2,259,945
Average loans, net	$1,712,601	$1,984,214
Average equity	$116,863	$141,249

	Year Ended	
	10/31/90	10/31/89
Net interest margin	2.11%	2.48%
Net interest spread;		
For the period	2.11%	2.23%
At the end of the period	2.26%	2.04%
Net income (loss) as a percentage of:		
Average assets	(0.68%)	(0.66%)
Average equity	(12.47%)	(10.89%)
Average equity to average assets	5.50%	6.07%
Average assets	$2,232,812	$2,375,539
Average earning assets	$2,065,583	$2,258,245
Average loans, net	$1,797,820	$1,981,032
Average equity	$122,384	$144,163

NOTE: (a) annualized where appropriate

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MIDLAND, MI (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Midland Cogeneration Venture (MCV) announced hourly, daily and weekly production records for the week ended Dec.

7. The hourly record was established at 9 p.m. on Dec. 4, when 1,436 megawatt (MW) hours of electricity were produced.

The daily record was also established on Dec. 4, when 34,134 megawatt hours of electricity were produced. The plant ran for five days at full capacity, beginning on Dec. 3, establishing a new weekly production record of 162,722 megawatt hours.

"There was a demand for power in the state beyond our contractual obligations and we were pleased to be able to help," said MCV President and CEO Rodney E. Boulanger. "We've been steadily improving plant performance all year, just to be in a position to respond to these needs."

The MCV entered commercial operation in March 1990. The plant's rated capacity is 1,370 MW of electricity and up to 1.35 million pounds per hour of steam for industrial use. Major customers are Consumers Power Company for electricity and The Dow Chemical Company for steam and electricity.

Partners in the MCV include CMS Midland, Inc., a subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation; Rofan Energy, Inc. (limited partner), a subsidiary of The Dow Chemical Company; Source Midland Limited Partnership, an affiliate of Panhandle Eastern Corporation; Coastal Midland, Inc., a subsidiary of The Coastal Corporation; MEI Limited Partnership, an affiliate of Asea Brown Boveri, Inc.; Micogen Limited Partnership (limited partner), an affiliate of Fluor Corporation; and C-E Midland Inc., (limited partner), a subsidiary of ABB - Combustion Engineering, Inc.

CONTACT: Linda L. Sims of Midland Cogeneration Venture, (517) 839-6714.

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#90344p1640 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) today announced price increases for its consumer films, Funsaver cameras and photographic papers sold in the U.S. The new prices will be effective with orders received beginning Dec. 22, 1990.

Amateur color negative films will increase an average of 3.5 percent. That means that the suggested list price for a 24-exposure roll of Kodacolor Gold 100 film will increase from $4.60 to $4.74, while a 36-exposure roll will increase from $5.87 to $6.05. Ektachrome films and Kodachrome 200 film will increase two percent, while prices of other Kodachrome films will rise four percent.

Included in the price increases are three cameras in the company's Funsaver camera line: the Funsaver 35 camera will increase from $8.35 to $8.95; the Funsaver Panoramic 35 camera will increase from $12.95 to $13.95; and the Funsaver Weekend 35 camera will increase from $13.95 to $14.95. Photographic

papers used by photofinishers will be increased an average of 3.5 percent, while processing chemicals will rise an average of 5.5 percent.

The company attributes the higher prices to the higher cost of doing business. The price increases are consistent with the company's forecast of various consumer and economic indexes for 1991.

CONTACT: Paul Allen of Eastman Kodak Company, (716) 724-5802.

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#90344p1642 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOKYO (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Responding to the filing made to Japan's Ministry of Finance by Boone Co. under a new Japanese shareholder disclosure law, Koito Manufacturing Co. President Takao Matsuura today sent a letter to T. Boone Pickens.

The letter states that the filing, made public today in Tokyo, "proves the point Koito has long been making" that Pickens has been acting as a front for Japanese speculator Kitaro Watanabe, who supplied Koito shares to Pickens after failing twice to secure a greenmail payment for the shares.

The letter also calls on Pickens to disclose the details of the Watanabe-Pickens arrangement omitted from the filing, concerning the pledge agreement by which Watanabe continues to hold the Koito shares registered under Boone Co.'s name.

A Koito official said that the company believes the new Japanese disclosure law may also require Watanabe, as the beneficial owner of the shares registered to Boone Co., to file a statement with the Ministry of Finance. No filing was made by Watanabe.

The Pickens filing included a purported "greenmail affidavit" executed by Pickens in June 1990. With respect to this affidavit, a Koito spokesman added: "Pickens has been waving this document around for months to no avail. His American raids were always accompanied by similar sworn disclaimers of greenmail, and the American courts and SEC have consistently found these disclaimers patently false and designed to conceal his real greenmail aims.

"The list of court findings and consent decrees against Mr. Pickens on this score - in his raids on Unocal, Gulf, Phillips, and Homestake Mining, to name a few - demonstrates that his 'greenmail affidavit' is not worth the paper it is written on."

CONTACT: Richard J. Wolff or Tom Davies of Kekst and Company, (212) 593-2655, for Koito.

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#90344p1644 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARIS (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied-Signal Automotive, Southfield, Mich., finalized the purchase of the brake friction materials business of Valeo, Paris, creating one of the largest and most broadly based friction material suppliers in Europe.

The closing was announced by John W. Day, president of Allied-Signal Automotive.

With the acquisition, Allied-Signal has reinforced its position as a world leading producer of brake friction materials, according to Mark W. Semeyn, vice president and group executive of the firm's Friction Materials Group.

Allied-Signal currently supplies friction materials to the European market through Jurid Werke G.m.b.H., Hamburg, Germany, and Bendix Europe, Paris. Jurid and Bendix are operating units of Allied-Signal.

The businesses being acquired consist of a French subsidiary and a Spanish operation of Valeo which will strengthen the Friction Materials Group's position in the compact and mid-size vehicle segments of the European market, said Semeyn.

It also will enhance the firm's ability to supply the European independent aftermarket and position it to serve the developing markets of Eastern Europe, he added. Semeyn pointed out that the acquired operations will continue to supply brake friction materials to Valeo Distribution for resale in the independent aftermarket.

According to the agreement, Allied-Signal will acquire a 400,000-square-foot factory in Conde-sur-Noireau, France, and lease various facilities from Valeo in St. Ouen, France, and Alcala de Henares, Spain. The agreement also includes continued use of a proving grounds and other testing facilities at Mortefontaine, France.

The leased facilities consist of offices and a technical center in St. Ouen and a 40,000-square-foot production facility in Alcala de Henares.

Over 1,200 people, including about 100 engineers and technicians in research and development, are employed at the affected operations. Over 900 are employed at the Conde-sur-Noireau factory.

Valeo is Europe's second ranking automotive components and systems manufacturer and has a strong presence worldwide with 100 facilities in Europe, North and South America, Asia and Africa. It is a world leader in clutches, clutch facings, engine cooling, steering column locks and IR remote control central locking devices.

The Allied-Signal Friction Materials Group with its affiliates and licensees is one of the world's leading independent producers of brake friction materials for the automotive and aerospace industries. It has operations in the United States, Canada, Brazil, Germany, Spain, Australia and Korea.

Allied-Signal Automotive is part of Allied-Signal Inc. (NYSE: ALD), an advanced technology company with businesses in automotive, aerospace and engineered materials.

CONTACT: Barrett Kalellis, 313-827-5219, or Tim Vink, 32-2-647-7300 (Brussels Belgium), both of Allied-Signal.

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#90344p1647 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

THOMASVILLE, GA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Davis Water & Waste Industries, Inc. (NYSE: DWW), today reported results for the second quarter and six months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

For the quarter, the company reported net income of $184,793 or six cents per share on net sales of $54,016,245 compared to a net income of $182,347 or six cents per share on net sales of $49,512,831 for the same period last year.

For the six months, sales were $105,208,789 compared to $94,851,045 for the first half of the prior fiscal year. Net income was $350,317 or 11 cents per share compared to a net loss of $355,280 or ten cents per share for the first half of the prior year.

"The increased sales for the quarter and six months are due primarily to our acquisition of the Taulman Company. The improved net income is attributable to cost cutting and reduction programs put in operation during the past year in anticipation of the continued softness of our market," R. Doyle White, president, stated.

"Margins for the water distribution and supplies businesses diminished slightly in the first six months of our fiscal year as compared to the prior year due primarily to the continued slowdown in land development and residential construction and the increased competition we have encountered for the remaining available business. We do not anticipate that market conditions will improve over the remainder of our fiscal year," White said.

DAVIS WATER & WASTE INDUSTRIES, INC. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Six Months	
Oct. 31:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$54,016,245	$49,512,831	$105,208,789	$94,851,045
Net income (loss)	184,793	182,347	350,317	(355,280)
Earnings (loss) per share	$.06	$.06	$.11	$(.10)

Avg. no. of shares outstanding	3,270,191	3,277,090	3,264,448	3,272,064

CONTACT: Roy Long of Davis Water & Waste, (912) 226-5733.

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#90344p1651 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesaba Aviation, Inc. today reported that it flew 15.6 million revenue passenger miles during the month of November, an 11.9 percent increase over 13.9 million revenue passenger miles flown during the same month last year (a revenue passenger mile equals one passenger flown one mile). The airline said it carried 74,573 passengers in November, an increase of 13.1 percent over 65,935 passengers carried last November. Mesaba's load factor during the month was 49.2 percent, compared to 50.4 percent last year.

Mesaba operates as Northwest Airlink under an airline marketing agreement with Northwest Airlines at Minneapolis/St. Paul International and Detroit Metropolitan Airports. The regional carrier currently provides scheduled airline service to 38 airports in the 10 states of Illinois, Iowa, Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

Mesaba Aviation, Inc. is the wholly owned subsidiary of AirTran Corporation. AirTran's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ATCC.

MESABA AVIATION, INC. MONTHLY OPERATING STATISTICS

	November 1990	November 1989	Percent Change
Passengers carried	74,573	65,935	+13.1
Available seat miles	31,632,591	27,598,606	+14.6
Revenue pass. miles	15,561,326	13,909,181	+11.9
System-wide load factor	49.2 pct.	50.4 pct.	-1.2 pts.

CONTACT: Douglas P. Fulton of Mesaba Aviation, 612-726-5151, ext. 351

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#90344p1652 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Aancor Holdings Inc. the parent of National Gypsum Co., today announced that Peter C. Browning, president and chief executive officer of Aancor and National Gypsum, has been elected to the additional position of chairman of the board of directors of Aancor, effective Jan. 1, 1991. He succeeds John P. Hayes, who has been named chairman emeritus.

Browning, 49, joined the company in February 1989 as executive vice president

of Gold Bond Building Products division after 24 years of service with Continental Can Co. Inc. In August 1989, he was named president and chief executive officer of Gold Bond and was elected to the Aancor board of directors in December 1989. He was named president and chief executive officer of Aancor and National Gypsum in October 1990, succeeding John P. Hayes, 69, who retired from the company after 43 years of service.

Browning was graduated from Colgate University in 1963 with a B.A. degree in history and received an MBA degree from the University of Chicago in 1976.

Aancor Holdings Inc. was formed in 1986 as part of an acquisition of National Gypsum. Aancor is a privately held company.

National Gypsum, with 1989 sales of $1.4 billion, consists of two primary operating divisions: Gold Bond Building Products, the nation's second largest manufacturer and supplier of gypsum wallboard and related products, and The Austin Co., the oldest and one of the largest design, engineering and construction firms in the United States.

On Oct. 28, 1990, Aancor and National Gypsum filed voluntary petitions for protection under Chapter 11 in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas. The Austin Co. was not included in the filings. Subsequently, the company completed and received court approval to utilize a Debtor-in-Possession revolving credit agreement with General Electric Capital Corp. for up to $105 million in post-filing financing.

CONTACT: Allan V. Cecil of National Gypsum Co., 214-740-4544.

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#90344p1654 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - UniWorld Entertainment (UWE) announced today that it has retained Bernie Schulman as vice president, director of television syndication, to head up UWE's new in-house television syndication unit.

"This will create a most complete television and film production package to complement UniWorld's full-service marketing capabilities," stated UWE Chairman and CEO Bryon Lewis.

Schulman will head the newly created syndication division and will supervise all in-house television station clearance, promotion and station relation activities. UWE properties include: "America's Black Forum" (ABF) weekly news program; the year-end "Black News in Review (Black History 1990)" news special the annual "Black Filmmakers Hall of Fame," and forthcoming "1991 CEBA Awards" special.

Schulman has 30 years' experience in television syndication, production and sales. For many years, he operated his own television production company

(Lakeside Television Co.) and later served as director of syndication for Syndicast, Inc. Most recently, he was vice president of syndication for Raymond Horn Syndication, Inc.

Debbie Adrine-Wofford will become a manager, assisting Schulman in all syndication activities, plus continue her production and advertising coordination duties on UWE properties.

CONTACT: Lynne Scott or Rebecca Shaw of UniWorld, 212-219-1600

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#90344p1656 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, CONN (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hydraulic Company (NYSE: THC) announced today that it had completed the previously announced acquisition of the outstanding shares of SRK Holding, Inc., a Monroe, Conn.-based environmental services firm.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed. THC President and Chief Executive Officer Jack E. McGregor said the transaction adds three environmental testing laboratories in Connecticut, New Jersey and Illinois to the five labs in North Carolina, Massachusetts, Vermont and Florida owned by Industrial & Environmental Analysts, Inc. (IEA), a wholly owned THC subsidiary.

SRK also owns businesses engaged in engineering, consulting and remediation, which THC intends to sell because they do not fit the company's long-term business plans.

The closing on the SRK transaction occurred after the previously announced settlement of SRK's YWC, Inc. subsidiary with the federal government on making false statements to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regarding laboratory test data. The settlement does not affect THC's existing laboratories or other business units.

"It is propitious that YWC was able to resolve this matter and place this situation behind them," McGregor said. "YWC's cooperation with the government was key to the timely resolution of the investigation, which helped clear the way for our acquisition of YWC's parent."

McGregor noted that the test data issue occurred more than three years ago, and was disclosed to the EPA by YWC.

"Our acquisition of SRK will enhance the service we can provide to our growing laboratory business and, at the same time, will strengthen YWC's financial position and ability to serve its customers," McGregor added.

THC's principal subsidiary is Bridgeport Hydraulic Company, an investor-owned utility that provides public water supply to a population of some 500,000 in

18 Connecticut communities.

In addition to its nonutility water services businesses, THC is engaged in forest products, electricity cogeneration and real estate enterprises. The company in 1989 had consolidated revenues of $78.3 million.

CONTACT: Larry L. Bingaman of THC, 203-336-7626, or home, 203-746-6662

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#90344p1660 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Seagull Energy Corp. (NYSE: SGO) announced today that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission to offer three million shares of its common stock.

The company said proceeds from the proposed offering will be used to pay a portion of the purchase price of its pending acquisition of a portfolio of natural gas and oil producing properties, reserves and leasehold acreage from Mesa Limited Partnership (NYSE: MLP).

Representatives for the underwriters in the U.S. portion of the offering are Lehman Brothers; Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp.; The First Boston Corp.; and Goldman, Sachs & Co. In the international phase of the offering, the lead managers are Lehman Brothers International; Credit Suisse First Boston Limited; Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp., and Goldman Sachs International Limited.

A registration statement relating to the common stock has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of the common stock in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sales would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

Copies of the preliminary prospectus will soon be available from the company at 1700 First City Tower, 1001 Fannin, Houston, Texas 77002, Attention: Investor Relations.

-0- 12/10/90 /CONTACT: Alan Payne of Seagull Energy Corp., 713-951-4700/ (SGO MLP) CO: Seagull Energy Corp.; Mesa Limited Partnership ST: Texas IN: OIL SU:

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#90344p1663 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - General Mills' (NYSE: GIS) board of

directors today declared a quarterly dividend of 32 cents per share, payable Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 10, 1991.

The 32 cents per share quarterly rate is the equivalent of the 64 cents per share quarterly dividend that prevailed before a two-for-one stock split became effective on Nov. 7, 1990.

General Mills and its predecessor companies have paid uninterrupted dividends without reduction in each year since before the turn of the century. The last increase was for the payment of Aug. 10.

CONTACT: Dean Belbas of General Mills, (612) 540-2443.

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#90344p1664 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Videogram International Corp. is pleased to announce the introduction of one of its new products, the Starmaker station to the United States market.

The Starmaker station (the first of its kind) is a family oriented, fully automated, 24 square foot video production studio which allows the public to create and star in their own videos. Various simulations and special effects create music videos, video messages, TV shows, and video memorabilia for souvenirs and gifts.

Using interactive video laser disc technology and blue screen special effects, customers are keyed into multiple program scenarios chosen via touch screen. Videogram programs come complete with opening, closing, computer graphics, and music.

Customers appear on-screen chroma-keyed over moving or static backgrounds with foreground titles mixed over the picture. Their voice is combined with muscic and sound effects. The Videogram program line-up for it's Southern California test market is in time for seasons greetings as well as sending video messages to family members overseas.

Videogram is now in the process of successfully test marketing a Videogram Starmaker station at the Spencer Gifts retail outlet located in Los Cerritos Mall in Southern California. This is the first of many test markets that Videogram has agreed to undertake in the United States.

The Starmaker station represents one of the few, new, innovative, retail concepts to be launched for the 1990's and introduces new forms of reactive and interactive entertainment. The station is fun, easy to use and meets the demands of the entire family.

You can visualize the thrill of flying through space, spinning in the cockpit

of a jet fighter or meeting King Kong face to face and have this experience recorded on a VHS videotape. Keep the tape as a souvenir or send it to friends or relatives as a memorable gift. Other Videgram concepts conducive to complement and broaden current trends in licensing and retail markets are in the development process.

Included in the current Videogram program menu are a Los Angeles Video Post Card, The Universal Studio Tour Video Post Card, Flying With the Snowbirds (flying, acrobatic simulation), Christmas Greetings, Happy New Year, Fireworks Spectacular, You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling music video and a Videogram Rap Song music video.

Special Videograms for family members to send to armed forces personnel will be featured as well. Programming is rounded out by flying through a starfield and a Video Fan Club program.

CONTACT: Thomas Crean, President of Videogram International Corp., (604) 682-2315.

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#90344p1666 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - By an overwhelming 86 percent margin, employees of Seattle First National Bank ratified a five-year contract on Sunday, simultaneously ending a 13-year legal battle over their right to union representation and becoming the largest group of U.S. bank workers under union contract.

"It's finally over, but a breakthrough like this was worth the wait," exclaimed Nancy Holland-Young, president of the Financial Institution Employees of America, an affiliate of the United Food & Commercial Workers Union. FIEA represents 4,600 Seafirst employees.

FIEA said that Seafirst, now owned by Bank of America, finally agreed to negotiations with the union last March, after the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals rejected the bank's latest challenge to FIEA's 1977 decision to affiliate with the UFCW when negotiations on its contract with Seafirst broke down.

"Merit pay reforms are the centerpiece of the contract," said Holland-Young. Employees who meet or exceed established performance standards will receive annual merit increases ranging from 2 to 11 percent.

Only employees already at top pay for their classification and those receiving poor evaluations are not guaranteed annual pay increases. Employees given poor ratings may file a grievance and/or request a second review after 120 days.

Under the new union contract, employees are guaranteed that their share of

health insurance premiums will not exceed 30 percent for the next five years. Employees who are promoted are also guaranteed pay increases for the first time, and there are 5 percent increases for workers still receiving the lowest pay for their classification after six months on the job.

Union officials heralded the contract's severance pay provisions as "especially important in the unstable economic climate for banks." A 15-year employee who is laid off would receive 13 weeks pay plus a lump sum payment equal to 10 percent of their previous year's salary.

The union also gained an additional holiday, a fifth week of vacation for 20-year employees, an elimination of split shifts, job security for regularly scheduled casual employees, and minimum pay guarantees for attending meetings and being called in for work.

CONTACT: Nancy Holland-Young of FIEA/UFCW, 206-361-8980, or Al Zack of the UFCW, 202-223-3111.

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#90344p1668 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANATA, ONTARIO (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Newbridge Networks (NASDAQ-NMS: NNCXF) announced today that the company has signed a letter of intent with MODDATA, S.A. under which MODDATA will become a distributor of the complete line of Newbridge products in Brazil. Sales in the first year are expected to exceed US$2 million.

Fernando Otavio Jardim, president of MODDATA, said, "I strongly believe that because of its strategy of globalization and compliance with international standards, Newbridge has the best combination of products to fulfill the digital telecommunication needs of the multinational businesses and telephone companies established in Brazil."

Mike Pascoe, general manager of the Canada, Asia Pacific and Latin America region at Newbridge, added, "The market potential for digital networks in Brazil is extremely encouraging. Newbridge is pleased to have MODDATA, one of the most important suppliers of telecommunication products in Brazil, as its distributor."

Newbridge Networks is an international company which specializes in the design manufacture and marketing of voice and data communications equipment for global networks. Offices and manufacturing facilities are located in Canada, the United States, Europe and Asia.

Newbridge Networks Corporation is a public company whose common shares are listed for trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange (NNC) in Canada and quoted for trading on the NASDAQ National Market System in the United States.

CONTACT: Simon Gibson or Sandra Plumley, 613-591-3600, for Newbridge Networks.

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#90344p1669 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Scotti Brothers Entertainment Industries, Inc. and All American Television, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALLT) today jointly announced that they have extended until Dec. 20, 1990, the date by which definitive merger and related agreements must be executed in order to coordinate completion of all necessary documentation. The parties previously announced that All American had accepted an offer by Scotti Brothers pursuant to which Scotti Brothers would be merged into a subsidiary to be formed by All American. The parties continue to anticipate that the closing of the merger will occur in late January or early February, 1991.

Scotti Brothers is a privately held entertainment corporation based in Los Angeles. Its divisions include a record company, a motion picture production and distribution company, a television production company, and an international sales and distribution organization for motion pictures and video.

All American is a New York based publicly-traded company engaged in the distribution of television programming to domestic and international television stations, cable television networks and home video markets, and the sale of commercial time to advertisers.

CONTACT: Joseph E. Kovacs, chief operating officer of All American Television 212-818-1200, or Tom Bradshaw, senior vice president of Scotti Brothers Entertainment Industries, 213-450-3193.

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#90344p1680 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - St. Louis-based Bridge Information Systems Inc. today announced the awarding of a five-year, $15 million contract to provide the company's domestic and international data network. Bridge is a major international provider of financial information to top institutional investors, brokerage firms, exchanges and corporations.

Bridge's new data network is custom-designed to enhance the company's ability to provide a wide array of financial information services involving stock market quotes, market analysis, corporate histories, management and operations hardware, and applications systems to more than 2,000 Bridge user sites throughout the United States and internationally.

One of the unique aspects of the MCI-Bridge agreement involves the transfer of much of Bridge's existing data telecommunications equipment to MCI switching facilities -- an arrangement called co-location. The co-location of equipment

at MCI facilities will result in (1) cost savings to Bridge, and (2) a more secure and strictly controlled environment in which to house the sensitive data equipment. In addition, MCI will upgrade the existing Bridge network to accommodate "digital" data transmission. Digital communication is the transmission of conversations or data in an electronically coded form. Information transmitted in digital form is less susceptible to interference and distortion, and generally travels at higher speeds. The upgrade will allow Bridge to increase the number and types of financial information services available to their clients.

MCI is the nation's second-largest long distance provider, employing advanced fiber optic, digital microwave, and satellite technologies. The company supplies a full range of worldwide voice, data and messaging services to businesses, residences and government agencies.

CONTACT: Kent Martin of MCI Public Relations, 314-342-7312 (office) or 314-225-9296 (home)

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#90344p1682 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENLO PARK, CA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - SRI International today announced the appointment of Martin Rayl, Ph.D. as vice president, Quality. He will report to Dr. James J. Tietjen, president and chief executive officer. Rayl, a member of the Board of Examiners of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, had previously been director, Group Quality, Automotive and Industrial Electronics Group, at Motorola, the corporation which won the first Baldrige Award sponsored by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

"Quality is perhaps even more important," said Tietjen, "in the research environment than at any other point in the business process. Dr. Rayl understands the need for quality in all aspects of business and has experience from the laboratory bench to product introduction. His international experience in assessing quality and product assurance will be particularly valuable in assuring the continued improvement of SRI's global activities."

Rayl will have the responsibility of conceiving and helping implement the changes required to further enhance quality in SRI's broad base of activities which range from science and engineering to public policy and international business consulting.

Rayl, with degrees from Wayne State, the University of Chicago and a Ph.D. from the University of Illinois (Champaign-Urbana), has also worked in positions of increasing responsibility at Atomic Power Development Associates, IBM Corporation, and RCA. He is married, with three children and will locate in the Menlo Park area.

SRI International is a world renowned research and consulting organization

with over 3,000 employees and over $350 million in annual revenues.

CONTACT: Carolyn Simonds of SRI, 415-859-5815.

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#90344p1683 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MI (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Daedalus Enterprises, Inc. (OTC: DDEI) announced today a loss of $221,000, $.39 per share, on revenue of $471,000 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, down from earnings of $254,000, $.41 per share, on revenue of $1,604,000 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989.

The loss in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 is primarily due to the timing of standard product contracts which resulted in the recognition of virtually no standard product revenue during the quarter. During the first quarter of the preceding year, the majority of the revenue was from standard product sales. Contributing to the first-quarter loss was an increase in research and development expenditures partially offset by a slight reduction in selling and administrative expenses.

The company also expects to have a year-to-date loss at the end of the second quarter of this fiscal year. Revenue and earnings for fiscal 1991 will be dependent upon the timing and amount of new contracts currently under negotiation, but are likely to be reduced compared to fiscal 1990.

The company's backlog at Oct. 31, 1990, was approximately $1,934,000, as compared to approximately $3,652,000 one year earlier. The majority of the Oct. 31, 1990, backlog is expected to be filled this fiscal year. The company expects the backlog at the end of the second quarter to be significantly higher than that of Oct. 31, 1990, indicating the potential for a renewed growth in the company's revenue and earnings for fiscal 1992.

Daedalus Enterprises, Inc. is a leading developer and manufacturer of remote sensing instruments used for environmental measurement and monitoring.

The company's stock is traded in the over-the-counter market under the symbol "DDEI" and is quoted in the automated quotation system of the National Association of Securities Dealers.

CONTACT: Vincent J. Killewald or Thomas R. Ory of Daedalus Enterprises, Inc., 313-769-5649.

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#90344p1684 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Metropolitan Financial Corporation (NYSE: MFC) announced today that Lawrence E. Davis, Minneapolis, has been elected to the company's board of directors and to the board of directors of its insured

savings bank subsidiary, Metropolitan Federal Bank, Fargo, N.D.

Davis, 54, is the executive vice president and general manager of Edina Realty where he has spent the past 21 years. Earlier this year, Davis announced his plans to retire from his day-to-day responsibilities at the real estate sales and brokerage company in January of 1991. His election to the board was effective Dec. 1, 1990 and is for a term to expire in 1993.

Norman M. Jones, chairman of Metropolitan Financial Corporation's board of directors, commented, "We are delighted that we will be able to benefit from Larry Davis' experience and wisdom at the board level. His wealth of experience in the real estate and mortgage lending business, as well as his knowledge of the Twin Cities market will benefit Metropolitan Financial Corporation as we seek to continue to enhance our presence throughout the market."

Roger L. Rovick, the president of Edina Realty, noted, "We at Edina Realty see the election of Larry Davis to the Metropolitan Financial Corporation board of directors as an affirmation of the quality management team that we have assembled over the years. We know that he will bring the same level of commitment and enthusiasm to the MFC board that he has brought to Edina Reality for the past two decades."

Metropolitan Financial Corporation is a regional financial services holding company. Its full service consumer savings bank operates 110 offices in 92 communities in the states of North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Arizona and is the Twin Cities largest originator of residential mortgage loans. Its real estate sales and brokerage subsidiary, Edina Realty, is Minnesota's largest home seller. At Sept. 30, 1990 the company reported consolidated assets of nearly $4.2 billion. Metropolitan Financial Corporation's common and preferred stock trade on the New York Stock Exchange, the common under the symbol MFC.

CONTACT: Bill Bartkowski of Metropolitan Financial Corporation, 612-339-8859

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MARIETTA, GA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Co. has been informed by the Republic of Korea that the company's P-3C Orion has been selected for the maritime patrol missions of the Republic of Korea Navy (ROKN).

Byron Boyer, Lockheed's program manager for the P-3, said the company expects to receive a contract to build eight of the aircraft for delivery to Korea in 1995. Boyer said the version to be built for the Korean Navy is the P-3C Update III, the most recent version operated by the U.S. Navy.

Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Co. has consolidated its headquarters and its

aircraft production programs at its Georgia facility and will build the aircraft for the ROKN at the company's Marietta, Ga., facilities, Boyer said.

Since 1962, Lockheed has delivered 641 Orions in a variety of models that are operated by the U.S. Navy and the armed forces of 10 other nations. Special versions of the Orion also are flown by the U.S. Department of Commerce and the U.S. Customs Service.

CONTACT: Jim Ragsdale in Burbank, Calif., 818-847-6866, or Dick Martin in Marietta, 404-494-3211, both of Lockheed.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron Corporation, on behalf of an international consortium, today announced the group has received petroleum development and pipeline licenses and will go ahead with development of the Iagifu/Hedinia (including Usano) and Agogo oil fields in the Southern Highlands of Papua New Guinea. The fields are collectively referred to as the Kutubu Project. Development of the area is estimated to cost the consortium approximately $1 billion in addition to the $400 million which has been spent to date on exploration and evaluation.

"Kutubu will be Papua New Guinea's first petroleum exporting project," said Richard Matzke, president of Chevron Overseas Petroleum Inc., the unit of Chevron Corporation devoted to exploration and production of crude oil and natural gas reserves outside the United States and Canada.

The consortium is known as the "Kutubu Project Joint Venture" and has its primary operations located in Papua New Guinea's Petroleum Prospecting License 100 (PPL 100).

As of Oct. 31, 1990, 47 wells (including sidetrack wells) had been drilled within PPL 100. Thirteen of these wells will be utilized in the Kutubu Project. Total production is expected to reach approximately 130,000 barrels per day of 44-degree API gravity crude oil by the end of 1992. The joint venture has set a goal of third quarter 1992 for the first production.

The most challenging part of the project will be construction of the 163-mile (261-kilometer) pipeline from Kutubu to a marine terminal located in the Gulf of Papua.

Initially, the project will be supported by air transport using a small airstrip currently being constructed nearby. A 65-mile (104-kilometer) access road will be constructed connecting the end of the existing road to the airstrip.

Crude oil will be treated at a central production facility located in the

Iagifu/Hedinia oil field, then shipped via pipeline to a marine terminal in the Gulf of Papua. The marine terminal will consist of a platform for metering and pressure reduction, and a single-point mooring for tankers.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Rykoff-Sexton Inc. (NYSE: RYK) has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.15 a share, payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 26, 1990.

Roger W. Coleman, president and chief executive officer, said the declaration represents the 79th consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid by the company.

Rykoff-Sexton Inc., consisting of S.E. Rykoff & Co. and John Sexton & Co., is a leading manufacturer and distributor of food and related products for restaurants, institutions and membership warehouse stores nationwide. Manufacturing, processing and packaging operations are based in Los Angeles; Indianapolis; Englewood, N.J.; Brooklyn, N.Y.; and Des Moines, Iowa. The company's 31 distribution centers are located throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Roger W. Coleman, president of Rykoff-Sexton Inc., 213-622-4131; or Roger S. Pondel of Rifkind Pondel & Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Rykoff-Sexton Inc.

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#90344p1691 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - General Dynamics (NYSE: GD) Space Systems division today delivered the first wide-body Centaur upper stage for the U.S. Air Force Titan IV program. The vehicle was flown to Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla., for the start of launch processing.

Space Systems is under contract to Martin Marietta to build 15 Centaur upper stages for the Titan IV program. Titan IV/Centaur provides the Air Force with a launch capability for payloads previously planned for the Space Shuttle.

"The Centaur high energy upper stage continues to be the most efficient upper stage in the world today," said Russ H. Thomas, Space Systems division vice president and Titan/Centaur program director. "Coupled with the Titan IV booster, it gives our nation its most powerful space launch capability and ensures U.S. access to space for critical heavy payloads."

Centaur is 29-1/2 feet long and 14 feet in diameter. Powered by two Pratt & Whitney RL-10A3 engines, it has a thrust of 33,000 pounds. It carries 50 percent more propellant than the original 10-foot-diameter Centaur D-1A used

with the Atlas booster, which is also built by Space Systems. Titan IV/Centaur is capable of placing 10,000-pound payloads into geosynchronous orbit 22,300 miles above the Earth.

The Centaur propellant tank structures are fabricated at Air Force Plant 19 at Space Systems division in San Diego. Final assembly of the vehicle takes place at Space Systems' Kearny Mesa facility.

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#90344p1697 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Pacific Scientific Co. (NYSE: PSX) sales will grow more slowly in 1991 than in the past two years, considering today's economic climate, but according to Edgar Brower, chairman, president and chief executive officer, PSX profits will increase sharply as the effects of this year's non- recurring charges disappear and gross profit margins improve. In remarks today to financial analysts and portfolio managers on Pacific Scientific operations and prospects, he attributed the expected improved results to a strong order backlog, greater revenues than 1990's projected $185 million, improved product margins and flat selling and administrative expense. Brower added that the recently announced loss for the fourth quarter of 1990 is not expected to recur, will not have an affect on 1991 results and he indicated that the company is comfortable with analysts' expectations for 1991.

In estimating 1990 results at the Equities Magazine Winter Corporate Conference at the Plaza Hotel in New York, Brower said, "Though we will be profitable for the year, we expect to lose up to $1.5 million for the fourth quarter ending Dec. 28, 1990, breaking our string of seven consecutive profitable quarters. Though the non- recurring fourth quarter expense is disappointing, we look forward to 1991 with non-recurring expense behind us."

Brower stated that world-class manufacturing techniques account for a significant part of Pacific Scientific's 1991 improved results forecast. These techniques include product line focus, rapid-cycle manufacturing, flexible manufacturing and just-in-time. "They result in a market/customer orientation for the company, with short delivery cycles, start-to-finish in one operation, low inventory and high inventory turns, dock-to-line deliveries and quick change of set- ups, tooling and product mix. For example, we now deliver a product in two weeks that took us 18 weeks before we implemented these techniques," Brower said.

Pacific Scientific's core business is designing, manufacturing and marketing technology based proprietary products for niche markets. The principal industrial products include electric motors and controls, and measurement and control instrumentation. Aerospace products include fire detection and

suppression systems, aircraft equipment and electric generators and alternators.

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#90344p1700 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Ito-Yokado Co. Ltd., Seven-Eleven Japan Co. Ltd. and The Southland Corp. today announced that Southland will file a report today setting forth the names of certain individuals who will be proposed as members of Southland's post-confirmation board of directors. The appointments of the proposed board members are subject to consummation of the three companies' Stock Purchase Agreement, which is contingent on confirmation of Southland's prepackaged reorganization plan by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Dallas.

The report will be filed in the bankruptcy court later today in preparation for the confirmation hearings on Southland's prepackaged reorganization plan, scheduled to begin Dec. 14. The U.S. Bankruptcy Code requires that Southland disclose, to the extent known, its anticipated post-confirmation board of directors and senior management.

Upon closing of the Stock Purchase Agreement, Southland's post-confirmation board will consist of (i) three individuals designated by the existing shareholders of Southland; (ii) ten individuals selected by Ito-Yokado and Seven-Eleven Japan; (iii) two individuals designated by the Official Bondholders' Committee in the bankruptcy proceeding; and (iv) if needed to meet applicable stock exchange requirements, two independent directors.

Today's filing names Masatoshi Ito, president of Ito-Yokado and chairman of Seven-Eleven Japan, as the proposed chairman of Southland's post-confirmation board. Toshifumi Suzuki, executive vice president of Ito-Yokado and president of Seven-Eleven Japan, is proposed as vice chairman, with John P. Thompson and Jere W. Thompson, current board members of Southland, proposed as co-vice chairmen.

Southland filed a prepackaged reorganization plan under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division, on Oct. 24, 1990.

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-30- 2272

#90344p1701 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA ANA, CALIF (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The purchase agreement between EECO Inc. and a Hong Kong-based investor group led by Dataprep Holdings Ltd. has received the approval of the Federal Bankruptcy Court. Effective Dec. 7, 1990 the Dataprep Investor Group has acquired the assets of EECO Computer Inc. and the assets of EECO Inc. related to the hotel systems business and renamed it ECI Computer Inc.

According to Carl Jeremias, who has been appointed president of the new company, ECI Computer Inc. will hire its 92 employees and will remain headquartered in Santa Ana. Jeremias has been president of EECO Computer Inc. since 1984. Looking forward to the new direction the restructured company will take, Jeremias has agreed to remain as president.

In what represents the company's first major product introduction since 1984, Jeremias recently announced the development of an updated version of its hotel and property management software, ECI/UX, which runs on Unix and Oracle software.

Touted as landmark software technology, ECI/UX offers increased functions as well as greater flexibility in the choice of computer hardware, including Digital Equipment and IBM hardware platforms. "This product will be a strategic step toward regaining our position as the leader in the industry," said Jeremias.

ECI currently is conducting a Beta test of ECI/UX in a Florida hotel, and Jeremias expects the system to become available in early 1991. In addition to the new ECI/UX system, ECI will continue to market and support its existing ECI OS and ECI GuesTrak products.

Dataprep, headed by Hong Kong businessman Fred Eu, has been the Pacific Rim distributor of the company's hotel computer systems for more than 15 years.

Providing turn-key solutions, ECI Computer Inc. now has a complete line of property management systems, central reservations systems and related products for hotels, motels, resorts and convention centers ranging in size from 50 to more than 5,000 rooms. With more than 600 systems installed in hotels, convention and resort operations worldwide, ECI also provides ongoing training customer support and maintenance services.

CONTACT: Jennifer J. Sims of Gloria Zigner & Associates, 714-545-1990, for ECI Computer Inc.

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#90344p1708 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KS (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Brite Voice Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: BVSI) announced that its board of directors has approved the repurchase of up to 250,000 shares of its common stock, subject to certain pricing restrictions.

Shares may be purchased from time to time in the open market or through block or privately negotiated transactions.

Any reacquired shares will be held in the treasury. No specific time limit was established for the program.

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#90344p1710 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corporation (NASDAQ: TATE) and Digital Equipment Corporation today announced they have shipped dBASE IV for VMS. The product was certified by Ashton-Tate in September and is being marketed and supported in the United States by Digital Equipment Corporation.

Digital is offering introductory pricing of $995 for single-user workstations and $4,200 for a four-user license for any VAX system from now until March 31, 1991.

dBASE IV for VMS is a fully implementation of Ashton-Tate's dBASE IV version 1.1 for DOS which is optimized to take advantage of the VMS environment and features. This fully integrated 4GL (Fourth Generation Language) product provides PC-level ease of use and combines a comprehensive data management system and flexible application development language with 4GL programming and productivity tools.

"Shipping dBASE IV for VMS marks a significant milestone in achieving our goal of providing existing dBASE users with a transparent growth path from the PC to more sophisticated multi-user, multi-tasking platforms like Digital's VMS," said David Proctor, Ashton-Tate's executive vice president, product development.

"With dBASE IV, users are able to run their DOS-based application and data on a VAX VMS system without modifying or re-compiling code. This true portability not only offers a cost-effective avenue for growth but also protects the tremendous investment our customers have in data, programming and training," Proctor added.

"Our customers are excited about the power of dBASE IV for VMS together with Digital's Network Application Support," said Henry Ancona, Digital's vice president of information systems and applications. Network Application Support (NAS) is Digital's open system for multi-vendor, distributed application integration.

"From within their familiar dBASE environment, Digital users can now easily build applications that access information from VAX Rdb/VMS databases, and other corporate databases anywhere on the network," Ancona added. Customers

who have been beta testing the software have had positive reactions to dBASE IV for VMS.

"dBASE IV provides features, functionality and a wide range of applications that haven't been available to Digital users in the past," said Hewitt Jackson SourceMate marketing manager, whose company's AccountMate software was ported to the VAX. "For PC developers, dBASE IV for VMS opens up an entirely new sales channel and customer set for our applications. We see this as an incredible opportunity for growth," Jackson added.

Jeff Smiley, computer scientist for Resource Conservation Company of Seattle, whose company designs Water Treatment Plants, said, "dBASE IV for VMS offers the same look and feel as the DOS version of the product and should provide our PC users with a simple interface to our VAX Rdb database."

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#90344p1712 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLAINVIEW, NY (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Professional Care, Inc. (AMEX: PCE), a provider of nurse staffing services and home health care, today announced that the Securities and Exchange Commission has declared effective its Registration Statement on Form S-1 relating to the sale and issuance of 1,050,000 units, consisting of 1,050,000 shares of common stock and 1,050,000 Class A Warrants.

The offering price per unit is $4.75. The exercise price of the Class A Warrants, which are each exercisable for one share of common stock and one-half of a Class B Warrant, is $7.125. The exercise price of the Class B Warrants, which are issuable upon the exercise of two Class A Warrants and are each exercisable for one share of common stock, is $10.6875.

The Class A Warrants and the Class B Warrants are subject to redemption by the company at $.05 per warrant on 30 days' prior written notice at any time provided that the average closing bid price (or last sales price) of the company's common stock as reported by NASDAQ (or on such exchange on which the common stock is traded) exceeds $9.975 and $14.9625 per share, respectively, for 20 consecutive business days ending within 15 days prior to the date of notice of redemption.

The use of proceeds from the offering of the units are intended to be as follows: $1,560,000 towards the repayment of certain outstanding Bridge Notes (inclusive of four percent fixed payment); $1,450,000 towards the acquisition of IMR Acquisition Corporation ('IAC'); $450,000 towards the expansion of the business of the company's phlebotomy staffing services; $150,000 towards the expansion of the business of IAC; and $279,125, towards working capital.

The registration statement discloses that the company anticipates that it will experience a loss in the first quarter of its current fiscal year. The company also announced that the Securities and Exchange Commission has declared effective its Registration Statement on Form S-4 relating to the acquisition of IAC by Hematech, Inc., wholly-owned subsidiary of the company.

CONTACT: Professional Care Public Relations, (516) 694-8700.

-30- 2309

#90344p1714 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI, OHIO (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Cincinnati Milacron Inc. (NYSE: CMZ) and The Mandelli Group of Piacenza, Italy, today announced an agreement whereby the companies will establish two consortia: one for Europe and one for North America.

Also, as part of the agreement, for the European market Mandelli will receive a license to build and sell Milacron's aerospace profilers. These multi-axis, computer-controlled systems are used to machine large structural airframe components from aluminum, titanium and special alloys. Under the agreement, Mandelli will also provide customer support services for this equipment.

For the North American market, Milacron will receive a license to manufacture and sell Mandelli's horizontal boring mills and traveling gantry/traveling table portal mills. Milacron will also provide customer support for these machines, which produce very large metal parts used in such products as stationary engines and heavy equipment.

"The agreement reflects both companies' commitment to global competitiveness," said Daniel J. Meyer, Milacron president and chief executive officer. "It will significantly strengthen our position in European markets and, likewise, it will greatly enhance Mandelli's presence in North America," he said.

"The partnership with Mandelli will help Milacron achieve two of our most important strategic objectives in the machine tool business," D. Michael Clabaugh, vice president - advanced systems, explained. "First, it will broaden our product offering and open up new markets in the United States, where we intend to be a full-line supplier of systems to machine large metal parts -- not only for aircraft manufacturers but also for builders of power-generation, marine and off-road equipment. Second, it will strengthen our position as a global supplier to the aerospace industry for airframe and engine manufacturing -- in both Western and Eastern Europe," Clabaugh said.

The Mandelli Group, with annual sales of approximately $260 million, is the fourth largest machine tool builder in Europe and fifteenth worldwide.

Cincinnati Milacron, with 1989 sales of $851 million, is one of the world's largest producers of machine tools and plastics machinery. The company is

also a leading manufacturer of measurement and inspection equipment, computer controls, precision grinding wheels and metalworking fluids.

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#90344p1717 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Oracle Corp.'s new travel supplier started today.

In September, Oracle announced the award of its multimillion-dollar travel account to Rosenbluth Travel. Rosenbluth opened a dedicated reservation facility in San Francisco and installed a satellite ticket printer network to manage Oracle's travel purchasing management program nationwide.

Rosenbluth hired and trained 44 people in the San Francisco area to work on behalf of Oracle. Rosenbluth's customized training programs have received national recognition for the balance the firm strikes between technical proficiency and service orientation.

"Rosenbluth impressed us immediately with their professionalism, dedication and strong corporate culture," said Jill Blumberg, Oracle's corporate travel manager. "Their commitment to service goes well beyond what a typical mega-agency is willing to provide."

Rosenbluth Travel entered the San Francisco market in 1987 with the acquisition of Travel Forum, a $25 million agency with locations in Sunnyvale and Palo Alto, Calif. Rosenbluth has since been selected by many California companies to manage their business and meeting-related travel including Chevron, Catholic Healthcare West and divisions of General Electric, Eastman Kodak Co. and SmithKline Beecham. Rosenbluth has 13 offices in the Bay Area and employs more than 140 people.

Founded in 1892 as a steamship ticket office, Rosenbluth has grown to become one of the nation's largest travel management firms, offering full-service corporate, vacation and meeting and incentive travel management. Rosenbluth employs more than 2,400 people in the United States, London and Singapore, and projects that annual sales for 1990 will exceed $1.3 billion. Internationally Rosenbluth has created an alliance program with leading travel management companies in 33 countries. Named "Service Company of the Year" by Tom Peters, author of "In Search of Excellence" and "Thriving on Chaos," Rosenbluth Travel is noted for its investment in people, training and technology.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Dec. 7, 1990. All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields
(30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago Conventional
15-Year FRM	9.24	9.45	9.44
30-Year FRM	9.59	9.81	9.71
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	9.84	10.06	9.96
10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.			
Second Mortgages	9.210	9.420	9.510

Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (30-year term) Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	8.40	8.65	9.10	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	8.65	8.90	9.35	2.000 pct.
1(A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	7.40	7.60	8.05	2.250 pct. 6 mos(A)
i(COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	7.50	7.70	8.10	2.125 pct.

(A) Rate reduction (B) 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM.
Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs. LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
Nov. 29, 1990	9.125	8.516	8.375	8.188
Oct. 30, 1990	7.938	8.063	8.063	8.063

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 12/07/90	Year to Date	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(A)	607.1	22,195.4	22,075.8
Purchases	445.7	21,969.1	20,065.1
MBS Issued	1,066.0	89,751.5(B)	61,346.3

(A) Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

(B) Adjusted

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal Exploration Corporation (UXC) (NYSE: UXC) has discovered natural gas in a deep pool test at West Cameron Block 196 in the Gulf of Mexico offshore Louisiana.

The OCS-G 5292 No. A-4 well was tested in a middle Miocene zone between depths of 14,522 and 14,576 feet. It produced 11.3 million cubic feet of gas and 212 barrels of condensate per day through a 13/64-inch choke at a flowing tubing pressure of 11,250 pounds per square inch. Two other middle Miocene zones remain to be tested.

The deep pool exploration well was drilled from a platform installed earlier this year over two wells which had been drilled into a shallower pool where a discovery was made in 1988. Production is expected to begin before 1991.

UXC is modifying production facilities to increase gas processing capacity from 50 million to 100 million cubic feet per day. Two more development wells are scheduled to be drilled in 1991.

UXC holds a 66.67 percent working interest and is operator of the block. Texaco holds the remaining 33.33 percent.

Unocal Corporation (NYSE: UCL) and its subsidiary, Union Oil Company of California, hold approximately 95 percent of the outstanding shares of UXC, which conducts substantially all of Unocal's exploration, development and production business in and near the Gulf of Mexico.

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#90344p1724 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BURBANK, CALIF. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Mortgage & Realty Trust (NYSE: MRT) today announced that a disclosure statement and a plan of reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code have been mailed to all creditors and Trust shareholders for their approvals. On Feb. 21, 1991, a hearing has been scheduled for final Bankruptcy Court action to approve the plan.

The plan is supported by the Creditors' Committee, the Equity Holders' Committee as well as MRT. It calls for payment in full to all creditors within four and a half years, with interest at an initial rate of prime plus 1 percent, increasing one-quarter percent every six months. The Trust's assets as of Sept. 30, 1990, totaled $595,645,000 with creditors' claims totaling approximately $402,000,000.

On April 12, 1990, the Trust filed a petition for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. The Trust defaulted on certain note payments as a result of a downgrading of its commercial paper by Standard & Poor's. This effectively denied the Trust access to the commercial paper market as a source of funds for its investments and operations. A preliminary understanding was then reached with a group of lenders for a $425 million

credit facility. However, the Trustees decided that because of the cost, the severity of operating covenants and the risks of pledging all Trust assets to secure a two-year credit, the best interests of the shareholders would be better protected by reorganization under Chapter 11.

In a statement issued Nov. 20, 1990, the Trust said that dividends paid during the 1990 fiscal year were sufficient to maintain the Trust's status as a Real Estate Investment Trust.

Mortgage & Realty Trust is a self-administered real estate investment trust with investments in floating real estate loans and real estate equities nationwide. Shareholders' equity as of Sept. 30, 1990, was $168,717,000. The Trust's 11,000,000 common shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol MRT.

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-30- 2318

#90344p1725 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - MNC Financial Inc. (NYSE: MNC) today announced it has received an extension to Dec. 14 for meeting certain requirements under its line of credit agreement with the bank syndicate led by Morgan Guaranty Trust Co.

MNC said that it is in discussions with the bank syndicate to reach a definitive agreement covering these terms.

CONTACT: Daniel G. Finney (media), 301-547-4038, or David W. Spartin (investors), 301-547-4410, both of MNC Financial

-30- 663

#90344p1727 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of trustees of Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust (NASDAQ: CMETS) today announced they authorized the purchase of up to $1 million of common stock of Transcontinental Realty Investors Inc. (NYSE: TCI) and up to $1 million of shares of beneficial interest of National Income Realty Trust (NASDAQ: NIRTS) through negotiated and open market transactions. The board of National Income Realty Trust approved the purchase of up to $1 million of shares of beneficial interest of Continental Mortgage. Management of the trusts will determine the amount and timing of stock purchases based on the market prices of the shares relative to management's assessment of their underlying asset value.

"We continue to believe the pervasive negative sentiment toward real estate-related stocks provides an excellent investment opportunity," said a

spokesperson for the trusts.

Continental Mortgage and Equity Trust and National Income Realty Trust are combination mortgage and equity real estate investment trusts which operate nationwide. The two trusts, and Transcontinental Realty Investors Inc. are advised by National Realty Advisors Inc. and share the same board.

CONTACT: Jean Krone Bono of Investor Relations, 214-692-4800

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#90344p1728 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD, IL (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Gynex, Inc. (NASDAQ: GYNX) today announced an agreement with a company of the Organon Group, a subsidiary of Akzo of the Netherlands, which gives the Organon Group an option to license Gynex' new, patented dosage regimen for oral contraceptives. Organon will conduct studies during the option period to determine the efficacy and potential superiority of Gynex' patented oral contraceptive dosing regimen.

The studies are estimated to take appoximately one year. Once the studies are completed, the option may be exercised to license Gynex' patented dosage regimen as it relates to Organon's progestogens. At that time, a payment of $175,000 will be made to Gynex with additional milestone payments, pending successful development of the product, of up to $275,000 for rights in the United States and up to $500,000 for rights in foreign markets. An advance royalty payment of $250,000 will also be made at the time of FDA approval to market. Additionally, royalties on sales of the product will be paid to Gynex by Organon.

Oral contraceptives use various combinations of estrogen and progestogen and various dosing regimens. Gynex' patent uses a unique estrogen dosing regimen and may be combined with a variety of progestogens. The option agreement is limited to Organon's present and future progestogens although Gynex' patent also covers progestogens marketed by other companies.

Stephen M. Simes, president of Gynex said, "This agreement represents an important step in the development of Gynex' patented oral contraceptive dosing regimen. Organon presently markets Marvelon, the leading oral contraceptive in Europe, and is about to enter the $1 billion U.S. oral contraceptive market through a recently announced co- marketing and development agreement with Ortho Pharmaceutical Corp., a subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson. Ortho presently markets the leading oral contraceptive in the United States."

Gynex, Inc. is engaged in the development of pharmaceutical products for use in the medical practice of gynecology and endocrinology.

CONTACT: Stephen M. Simes, president of Gynex, 708-948-9300

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NEWPORT NEWS, VA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The Flight International Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: FLTI), a leading provider of military readiness training, today reported consolidated operating results for the second quarter of fiscal 1991.

For the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990, Flight International reported a net loss of ($1,988,005), or ($0.53) per share, on revenues of $13,118,317, versus net income a year earlier of $767,837, or $0.23 per share, on revenues of $15,829,816.

For the first half of fiscal 1991, Flight International reported a net loss of ($3,956,339), or ($1.06) per share, on revenues of $24,602,771, versus a net loss a year earlier of ($119,358), or ($0.04) per share, on revenues of $29,655,568.

J. Nelson Happy, chairman and chief executive officer, attributed the fall off in current-quarter revenue to a number of factors, including a reduction in purchase order business; the sale of Flight International's Fixed Base Operation in Carlsbad, Calif., and the absence of revenue comparable to last year's $1.6 million sale of a contract to purchase four aircraft.

"While we've made some solid strides in reducing operating costs, unusual charges for legal and professional fees associated with the our ongoing restructuring have, in part, obscured the progress we've made," said Happy. "These unusual costs should ebb once we've completed our financial and operational restructuring."

The Flight International Group, Inc. is a leader in aviation services with interests in government and military contracts as well as commercial flight operations.

THE FLIGHT INTERNATIONAL GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

Three months ended Oct. 31	1990	1989
Revenues	$13,118,317	$15,829,816
Cost of services	7,266,805	8,021,062
Depreciation and amortization	3,172,300	3,188,061
	10,439,105	11,209,123
Gross profit	2,679,212	4,620,693
General, corporate and admin.	1,687,319	2,011,373
Unusual charges	1,429,900	-
Interest expense	1,549,998	1,841,483
(Loss) before income taxes	(1,988,005)	767,837
Provision for income taxes	-	-
Net income (loss)	$(1,988,005)	$ 767,837
Net income (loss)		

per common share	$ (0.53)	$ .23
Wtd. avg. number of shares	3,765,390	3,338,861

Six months ended Oct. 31	1990	1989
Revenues	$24,602,771	$29,655,568
Cost of services	13,529,370	16,299,901
Depreciation and amortization	6,346,256	6,117,064
	19,875,626	22,416,965
Gross Profit	4,727,145	7,238,603
General, corporate and admin.	2,874,185	3,810,348
Unusual charges	2,659,301	-
Interest expense	3,149,998	3,547,613
(Loss) before income taxes	(3,956,339)	(119,358)
Provision for income taxes	-	-
Net income (loss)	$(3,956,339)	$ (119,358)
Net income (loss) per common share	$ (1.06)	$ (0.04)
Wtd. avg. number of shares	3,717,346	3,335,725

THE FLIGHT INTERNATIONAL GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
Assets Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 864,442	$ 4,229,807
Accounts receivable:		
Flight operations contracts and programs	4,826,802	3,504,030
Trade	906,418	605,796
Other receivables	559,581	480,545
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(301,378)	(276,771)
Inventories	2,779,496	2,838,732
Prepaid expenses	186,734	176,569
Deposits	252,822	169,323
Deferred costs	100,473	111,727
Total current assets	10,175,390	11,839,758
Property and Equipment:		
Aircraft	69,156,914	70,232,492
Flight equipment	3,449,100	3,222,966
Electronic warfare equipment and related aircraft modifications	18,205,122	18,009,144
Leasehold interests, primarily in airport buildings and improvements	5,066,072	5,060,996
Other equipment	5,673,689	5,432,859
Office furniture and fixtures	2,577,023	2,545,083
Total	104,127,920	104,503,540
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization	(31,861,406)	(26,332,903)
Total	72,266,514	78,170,637
Equipment and facilities construction		

in progress	866,964	1,788,034
Total property and equipment	73,133,478	79,958,671
Other Assets	497,329	541,528
Total assets	$ 83,806,197	$ 92,339,957
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Current Liabilities:		
Short-term borrowings	$ 2,525,000	$18,023,619
Long-term Debt due currently	4,488,910	45,097,921
Accounts payable	1,406,792	991,979
Other accrued liabilities	3,574,287	5,528,585
Deferred revenue	5,821,525	4,493,612
Customer deposits	-	4,500
Total current liabilities	17,816,514	74,140,216
Long-term debt, less current maturities	53,535,316	-
Deferred revenue	2,222,507	4,364,264
Other long-term liabilities	93,272	250,549
Total liabilities	73,667,609	78,755,029
Contingencies		
Put Option Liability	-	1,000,000
Stockholders' Equity:		
Preferred stock, $1.00 par value, 1,000,000 shares authorized, no shares outstanding	-	-
Common stock, $.01 par value, 10,000,000 shares authorized, 3,691,803.3 issued as of July 31, 1990 and April 30, 1990	40,318	36,918
Junior stock, $.01 par value, 500,000 shares authorized, no shares outstanding	-	-
Additional paid-in capital	19,447,491	18,940,892
Treasury stock - 22,500 shares of common stock at cost	(198,939)	(198,939)
Put option liability	-	(1,000,000)
Loan to Employee Savings and Stock Ownership Plan	(1,425,000)	(1,425,000)
Accumulated deficit	(7,725,282)	(3,768,943)
Total stockholders' equity	10,138,588	12,584,928
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$83,806,197	$92,339,957

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MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - General Mills (NYSE: GIS) announced today a series of personnel moves that are part of a planned transition for Joe R. Lee, president of General Mills Restaurants, Inc., to become chief financial officer on May 1, 1992, when Vice Chairman of the Board F. Caleb Blodgett reaches the normal retirement age of 65.

On April 1, Lee will become executive vice president-finance. In this capacity he will report to Blodgett, who will continue as vice chairman, chief financial officer and chief administrative officer until his retirement.

Until April 1, Lee will continue as president of Restaurants based in Minneapolis. After that date, the presidents of Red Lobster and The Olive Garden will report directly to Mark Willes, president and chief operating officer of General Mills, with Lee continuing to hold responsibility for International Restaurants and the new China Coast test concept. General Mills restaurant companies will continue to headquarter in Orlando, Fla.

Lee, 49 years old, joined Red Lobster in 1967 and was a member of its founding team. He was named its president in 1975, a vice president of General Mills in 1976, a group vice president in 1979, and executive vice president in 1981. He was elected to the General Mills board of directors in 1985. He is a past president of the National Restaurant Association.

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LONG BEACH, CALIF. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Thorne Environmental Inc. and Baker Pacific Corp., both Long Beach-based environmental clean-up firms, have been acquired by Consolidated Environmental Technologies Inc. (CET), a Canadian-based international environmental firm.

The acquisition marks CET's entrance into the Western United States' environmental marketplace.

Don R. Thorne, president of the Long Beach firms, said operational changes and increased capital investments are planned to reflect the increase in service capability. Thorne will remain head of the two companies.

CET, headquartered in Vancouver, B.C., is a division of Consolidated Press U.S. Inc., which in turn is owned by Consolidated Press Holdings Ltd., a privately held Australian company.

Thorne Environmental and Baker Pacific with 200 employees, have offices in Long Beach, Anaheim, Bakersfield and Hayward, Calif., and Seattle. Active in hazardous waste treatment activities since 1982, the two companies concentrate

their activities in the 11 Western states.

Thorne Environmental and Baker Pacific have established a reputation in California and the Pacific Northwest as leaders in hazardous material removal and waste treatment technology.

Complimenting Thorne Environmental's and Baker Pacific's expertise in waste treatment and removal, CET provides additional technologies including the use of mobile on-site equipment to treat industrial waste, oil sludge, municipal solid waste and contaminated soil. The use of on-site equipment reduces the need for waste transportation and off-site disposal.

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FRASER, MICH (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Tubby's Sub Shops, Inc. has appointed Robert M. Paganes president of its New Jersey subsidiary, Stuff Yer Face, Inc. Paganes has been with Tubby's since 1968, when he started as a store manager and climbed through the ranks to his current position as chief financial officer and corporate secretary.

Paganes immediately plans to begin franchising the Stuff Yer Face concept in the Michigan area. This concept features a stuffed Stromboli, pizza, pasta and salad.

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COLUMBUS, OHIO (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - The first combined-cycle generation of electricity from American Electric Power's (NYSE: AEP) Tidd pressurized fluidized bed combustion (PFBC) demonstration plant has been achieved, a milestone toward full load operation of the facility.

The 70,000-kilowatt demonstration plant, considered a flagship project of the U.S. Department of Energy's Clean Coal Technology Program, is located at Ohio Power Company's Tidd Plant on the Ohio River near Brilliant, Ohio. The first combined-cycle generation of electricity took place last Friday.

Basically, PFBC involves the burning of coal with dolomite, a type of limestone. Sulfur dioxide released by the burning of coal is captured by the dolomite during combustion, which eliminates the need for flue gas scrubbers.

In addition, the relatively low combustion temperature (1580 degrees F) required for the PFBC process reduces nitrogen oxide emissions to half those

of conventional coal-fired boilers. Scrubbers, of course, do not reduce nitrogen oxide emissions. And, unlike the sludge from scrubbers, the ash products resulting from PFBC are dry granules that can easily be removed.

AEP and DOE plan for the Tidd demonstration program to continue for three years once the plant becomes fully operational in early 1991. The Tidd PFBC facility will burn 30 tons of coal per hour at full load.

AEP has also proposed building the nation's first commercial-scale PFBC facility. This facility, which would generate approximately 340,000 kilowatts would be the largest PFBC plant in the world. Preliminary engineering and design are under way to evaluate the options for this plant. Among the options are the repowering of the Philip Sporn Plant in New Haven, W.Va., which would begin commercial operation in 1996, or construction of an entirely new plant in West Virginia which would begin operation in 1998.

AEP generates approximately 90 percent of its electric energy from coal, and expects to burn 50 million tons in 1990. AEP's operating company subsidiaries provide electric service to portions of Ohio, West Virgina, Virginia, Kentucky Indiana, Michigan and Tennessee.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines today reported that in November its traffic rose 5.2 percent to 3.1 billion revenue passenger miles (RPMs). Continental said it flew 5.2 billion available seat miles (ASMs) for a load factor of 58.6 percent.

Year-to-date, Continental's load factor is 60.5 percent, which is comparable to the 1989 level. In the January-November period Continental flew 35.9 billion RPMs and 59.4 billion ASMs.

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES
Preliminary Systemwide Traffic Results

	NOVEMBER		
	1990	1989	Change
RPMs (000)	3,075,137	2,923,962	+ 5.2 percent
ASMs (000)	5,244,835	4,838,948	+ 8.4 percent
Load Factor	58.6 percent	60.4 percent	- 1.8 points

	YEAR-TO-DATE		
	1990	1989	Change
RPMs (000)	35,940,336	35,716,497	+ 0.6 percent
ASMs (000)	59,376,597	57,865,728	+ 2.6 percent
Load Factor	60.5 percent	61.7 percent	- 1.2 points

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Energy Secretary James D. Watkins today commended American Electric Power (NYSE: AEP) for its milestone in producing the first electricity from the Tidd demonstration project, one of the largest ventures in the $5 billion joint government-industry Clean Coal Technology Program.

Watkins called the generation of the first electric power from the advanced technology "a step into the future of environmentally clean coal-fired power production in this country."

AEP announced earlier today from its Columbus, Ohio, headquarters that it had produced the first "combined cycle electricity" from the 70-megawatt demonstration plant. The showcase project involves the refurbishment of Ohio Power Company's 47-year-old Tidd plant, near Brilliant, Ohio, with a new, highly advanced coal combustion process that cleans pollutants from coal while it burns. Following more than three and a half years of design and construction, the $185 million project began start-up activities last month, initially burning oil and gradually switching to high-sulfur coal.

On Dec. 7, the hot coal combustion gases from the seven-story-high boiler were channeled to a gas turbine generator for the first time to produce electric power. Heat from the combustor also made steam for a steam turbine generator. The combination of gas and steam turbines accounts for the name "combined cycle."

"The Tidd project will demonstrate one of the ways we can achieve greater energy security by using American coal while simultaneously improving the quality of our environment," Watkins said. "It is particularly important that this significant new advance in coal burning technology comes at a time when this nation is renewing its commitment to clean air. I commend the employees of AEP and their subcontractors for turning a very promising drawing board concept into an equally impressive engineering reality."

The technology employed at the Tidd plant is termed "pressurized fluidized bed combustion." The process burns coal in a churning, or "fluidized," mass inside the combustion furnace which is kept under high pressures. Dolomite, a natural substance, injected into the boiler, captures more than 90 percent of the sulfur released from the tumbling coal. No scrubbers are needed to achieve even the most stringent environmental standards now being imposed on new coal-burning plants.

The combustor also operates at roughly half the temperature of a conventional

coal burner, cutting the release of nitrogen oxides, another air pollutant, to less than 50 percent of the amount permitted by federal standards. The high efficiency combination of gas and steam turbines also boosts the amount of electric power that can be produced from the coal, and reduces the release of carbon dioxide, one of the "greenhouse" gases.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE:T) announced today that its request for commitments to fund the NCR acquisition was substantially oversubscribed. More than 50 major U.S. and international banks have offered commitments for the $6 billion credit facility AT&T is establishing to finance its proposed acquisition of NCR Corporation (NYSE: NCR) stock for $90 a share.

AT&T has said it has a variety of options to raise the capital for the acquisition -- valued at $6.1 billion -- including short-term borrowing in the form of promissory notes that would be backed by the credit facility. AT&T can also draw directly upon the credit facility.

AT&T Vice President and Treasurer S. Lawrence Prendergast said the "overwhelming positive response from the financial institutions is certainly appreciated. It indicates their belief in the financial soundness of AT&T's offer."

AT&T met with banks on Dec. 6 to discuss the credit facility and begin the syndication process. The deadline for commitments was Friday, Dec. 14, but the credit facility was oversubscribed and so the syndicate books were closed early today.

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NILES, OH (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - RMI Titanium Co. (NYSE: RTI) announced today that it has signed an agreement with SCM Chemicals Inc. ("SCM") for the continuing supply of titanium tetrachloride used in the production of titanium sponge.

Under the new multi-year agreement, which goes into effect Jan. 1, 1992, all the titanium tetrachloride used at the Ashtabula, Ohio, sponge facility will be provided by SCM. In addition, the agreement includes certain provisions that would permit RMI, after several years, to resume construction of its own titanium tetrachloride facility.

RMI, headquartered in Niles, Ohio, is a leading manufacturer of titanium sponge, mill products and powder. The company's products are used principally in military and commercial aircraft and engines, chemical processing equipment mesh for bridge and deck repair, pulp and paper production facilties, and medical implants.

RMI became a public corporation on April 20, 1990, with common stock trading on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "RTI." There are 14,981,400 shares of common stock outstanding.

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GREENWICH, CT (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - W.R. Berkley Corporation (NASDAQ: BKLY) today announced that the board of directors had declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 11 cents per share to be paid on Jan. 9, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 21, 1990.

W.R. Berkley Corporation is a holding company whose subsidiaries operate in three major segments of the insurance business: regional property casualty insurance; specialty lines of insurance (including excess and surplus lines, commercial transportation and reinsurance); and insurance services operations (including management of alternative insurance market mechanisms).

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ST. PAUL, MN (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Bioplasty, Inc. (NASDAQ: BIOP) announced record revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 of $2,451,112, or a 62 percent increase compared to the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was $141,061 compared to net income of $38,346 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. The company attributes the increase in net revenues and profits to the increased sales of the MISTI(TM) Mammary Implant and the effectiveness of its worldwide sales and marketing force.

On Aug. 30, 1990 the company introduced a new product to the European market, "MISTI GOLD(TM)." On Oct. 19, 1990 the FDA cleared MISTI GOLD for marketing in the United States. This new product is called "MISTI GOLD" because of the new gold-colored gel used to fill the surface-patterned shell of the mammary implant. The "gold" gel is biocompatible with the human body and this new filling material allows x-rays to pass through the MISTI GOLD Implant, better than x-rays can pass through silicone gel-filled or saline-filled breast

implants.

Bioplastique(TM) was first introduced in Western Europe in December of 1989. This injectable micro-implant material is fast becoming a favored technique for the enhancement of facial contours. Bioplastique has proven successful in hundreds of patients seeking cosmetic enhancement of noses, chins, cheeks, lips, etc. The company expects contributions to revenue will flow from this new product line over the next 24 months.

The company believes that the same advantages which make Bioplastique useful in aesthetic plastic surgery will also allow this material to be effective in other applications. For example, Bioplastique implanted around the neck of the bladder may restore control for hundreds of thousands of patients who experience urinary stress incontinence. Currently, the company is searching for a joint venture partner to realize this new product's potential in the urology market.

Bioplasty, Inc. has more than 19 years of experience in the development, manufacturing and marketing of plastic surgery products worldwide. Bioplasty's stock is currently traded on the NASDAQ under the symbol "BIOP."

BIOPLASTY, INC. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended	
	10/31/90	10/31/89
Net revenues	$2,451,112	$1,514,061
Income from operations	226,548	48,692
Net income	141,061	38,346
Earnings per share	$.05	$.01

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Calvary Partners, LP announced today that it filed suit against Diceon Electronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: DICN) in the Delaware Chancery Court on Dec. 7, 1990, in connection with Diceon's failure to comply with Calvary's request for Diceon's stockholder list.

Calvary's request on Nov. 27, 1990, was made pursuant to provisions of Delaware corporate law requiring a company to turn over its stockholder list and other information within five business days of a shareholder request which is reasonably related to the shareholder's interest as a shareholder. Calvary stated in its request that the purpose was, among other things, to permit it to "communicate with Diceon's other shareholders in connection with matters of common interest relative to the affairs of the corporation..."

Calvary Holdings, Inc., an affiliate of Calvary Partners, LP, commenced a

tender offer for all of the outstanding common shares of Diceon at $5.25 per share on Dec. 6.

Calvary Holdings, Inc. has conditioned its tender offer on the approval of certain proposals including amendments to Diceon's by-laws concerning qualification of directors and the election of a majority of Calvary's nominees to the board, among other things, at the 1991 annual meeting scheduled for Jan. 16, 1991.

Calvary Holdings, Inc. was formed by Calvary Partners, LP, a San Diego-based LBO research and deal origination firm. Diceon, headquartered in Irvine, Calif., manufactures sophisticated multi-layer printed circuit boards for the computer industry.

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ALEXANDRIA, VA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Technology Applications, Inc. (TAI), a Virginia-based high-technology systems integration firm specializing in high performance computing systems, has won a contract worth $19 million to perform computer integration services at the Air Force Supercomputer Center-Kirtland (AFSCC-K) at Kirtland Air Force Base in Albuquerque, N.M.

The AFSCC-K, a state-of-the-art supercomputer center, provides the high-performance computing facilities required for Air Force research in several leading-edge technology areas critical to national defense. Its centerpiece is a CRAY-2 supercomputer capable of nearly 2 billion arithmetic operations per second. In addition, the center includes parallel-processing computers, mainframes, minicomputers and advanced graphics workstations.

AFSCC-K serves an Air Force Research & Development community of more than 1,000 users nationwide. It is connected by highspeed communication links to eight other airforce installations across the nation and to many other sites through government networks. Researchers at AFSCC-K were among the first recipients of the prestigious Gigaflop performance awards, recognizing outstanding efforts in using supercomputing for research, from Cray Research, Inc., last year.

TAI provides professional and engineering services in information technology, high performance computing, C3I, aerospace systems and logistics, ship alteration and installation, simulator maintenance and operation, environmental science and technology, and mission support primarily to agencies of the Department of Defense, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), and the Environmental Protection Agency. TAI employs nearly 800 people at more than 40 locations around the United States and

overseas. Principal offices are in the Washington area; Tidewater, Va.; Camarillo, Calif.; and Dayton, Ohio.

Under the contract, TAI will perform hardware maintenance, maintenance of systems and applications software, integration of new hardware and software into the center, and special studies as directed by the Air Force. "TAI is quite proud to have been selected as the contractor for the Air Force Supercomputer Center at Kirtland," said James I. Chatman, president and CEO of TAI. "Our ability to provide superior supercompter integration services has been recognized by one of the most prestigious supercomputer centers in the nation. We look forward to supporting the Air Force in their mission to provide the latest research to users throughout the United States."

TAI's Applied Sciences Division also performs consulting, planning, and systems integration work in support of numerous other agencies, federal and state. TAI is currently one of only four companies licensed by the Software Engineering Institute of Carnegie Mellon University to perform software process assessments commercially for government and industry. TAI teams help client firms assess their software development processes, identify positive and negative aspects of their processes, and implement a program of improvements.

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COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Computer Corp. (NASDAQ: CRAY) announced today that it has received an order for two systems from the National Energy Research Supercomputer Center (NERSC), at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. The order is for the installed eight processor CRAY-2 and for a sixteen processor CRAY-3.

The CRAY-3 development program is scheduled to be completed during 1991. The CRAY-2 has been installed at NERSC since April 12, 1990. The CRAY-3 will be delivered in phases beginning with a two processor system scheduled for the end of 1991. The sixteen processor configuration is scheduled to be completed by the summer of 1992.

The total order value is $42 million. Neil Davenport, president and CEO, said, "We are delighted to have received our first order from such an important supercomputer user as NERSC. The National Laboratories of the Department of Energy have played a major role in the development of the US supercomputer industry. NERSC is an ideal first customer for us."

Cray Computer is engaged in the design and development of the CRAY-3 computer system.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - R.R. Donnelley and Sons Company (NYSE: DNY) has created two new operating units, Graphic Services and Information Technology, in a major reorganization designed to strengthen the company's ability to manage and grow its changing business, it was announced today.

The reorganization consolidates management and operation of Donnelley's traditional business of printing and binding services, and its flourishing newer operations in information technologies, in two focused and integrated business units, said John R. Walter, chairman, president and chief executive officer.

"Creation of these separate business units reflects that Donnelley today is in several businesses, with different customers who have different needs for printing and nonprint information products and services," said Walter.

"It is a commitment to our past and a dedication to our future," he added. "It will provide us with the structure and focus needed to manage an increasingly complex business, to continue to provide superior quality and customer service, and to grow our company into the 21st century."

Graphic Services includes the company's current book, catalog, magazine, telecommunications, international and technology groups, as well as Metromail Corp., a subsidiary that is a national leader in list compilation and management.

Carl Doty, executive vice president, operations, is heading Graphic Services. William A. Thompson, currently president of the book group, becomes president of the technology group, while Jerry D. Butler, senior vice president and director of book sales, succeeds Thompson.

Information Technology focuses on customers and markets whose product and service needs can best be met by the company's steadily growing ability to develop and provide nontraditional but print related services.

This unit includes the financial printing services group, with its worldwide satellite-linked network; the documentation services group, organized to serve the computer industry on a global scale; and the information services group, which includes facilities management, technical documentation and graphic design.

Rory J. Cowan, currently president of the documentation services group, has been promoted to head the new unit as director. W. Ed Tyler, head of the

technology group, succeeds Cowan in documentation services. Both Graphic Services and Information Technology report to CEO Walter.

R.R. Donnelley and Sons Co. is the world's foremost printer of catalogs, newspaper advertising inserts, magazines, books, directories, computer documentation and financial printing. The company operates printing plants, service centers, sales offices and subsidiaries in nearly 100 locations in the United States, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Mexico, the Caribbean and the Far East.

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#90344p1773 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines Inc. (NYSE: DAL) announced today that it has filed a new application to serve Atlanta-Moscow on a one-stop basis via Germany.

The airline also said it has requested permission to withdraw its proposal to operate nonstop service between Atlanta and Moscow/Leningrad in the U.S.-U.S.S.R. North Atlantic Combination Service Case pending before the Department of Transportation.

Whit Hawkins, Delta's executive vice president-marketing and stations said, "While Delta remains keenly interested in serving the U.S.-U.S.S.R. market on a one-stop basis, we reluctantly decided to withdraw our nonstop proposal in the pending case because of a combination of factors including the continued high cost of fuel and the general state of the economy in both the U.S. and U.S.S.R. and its adverse impact on airline traffic."

Delta had proposed to operate three weekly nonstop flights between Atlanta and Moscow in 1991 and daily nonstop service to Moscow/Leningrad in 1992. Given the circumstances described above by Hawkins, the airline decided it would be more prudent to serve the market on a one-stop basis via a point in Germany.

Unfortunately, legal requirements of the department's administrative process would not allow Delta to amend its service proposal in the DOT proceeding from nonstop to one-stop. As a result, Delta decided to not pursue its nonstop proposal. Delta is the latest U.S. airline to withdraw its application in the case -- Continental and United had previously taken similar action.

Delta's interest in the U.S.-U.S.S.R. market remains strong and Delta is filing a new application before the DOT in which it requests authority to operate one-stop service between Atlanta and the U.S.S.R.

CONTACT: Delta public relations, 404-765-2533

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#90344p1774 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROCHESTER, N.Y. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Genesee Corporation (NASDAQ: GENBB) today announced increased consolidated sales and earnings for the second quarter and six months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Second quarter gross sales of $38,984,000 were up $596,000 compared to the same period a year ago. Six month sales improved more than $1.8 million to $85,332,000 compared to the first six months of the prior fiscal year. Net earnings for the second quarter increased to $693,000 or $.43 per share compared to last year's second quarter of $216,000 or $.13 per share.

John L. Wehle Jr., president and chief executive officer, said, "We are pleased to report improved performance in the current climate of economic uncertainty." The corporation reported that results for the second quarter were consistent with its strategies of improved sales growth within its food division and improved earnings, particularly by its Genesee Brewing Company subsidiary.

Wehle also announced that the corporation's real estate subsidiary had recently finalized the sale of a 425-unit manufactured home community. Although not included in the second quarter earnings, management reported that the transaction will have a positive effect on the corporation's third quarter consolidated earnings report. Terms of the sale were not disclosed by the corporation.

CONTACT: Tom Jones of Genesee Corporation, 716-546-1030

-30- 1589
#90344p1783 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHARLOTTE, N.C. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Consolidated (NASDAQ-NMS: COKE) today announced that its Board of Directors has authorized the purchase of up to 1,000,000 shares of its common stock.

The Company has not made any decisions regarding the immediate repurchase of shares including share price levels. Furthermore, the Company is still committed to making prudent acquisitions as an important aspect of its long-term direction for building value. The Board authority has been granted to allow the Company to react quickly to changing market circumstances in the event that the Company determines a repurchase of shares would be in the best interest of shareholders.

The Company will evaluate future share repurchases with appropriate consideration given to applicable business circumstances and opportunities.

CONTACT: Lauren C. Steele, Vice President-Corporate Affairs, Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Consolidated, 704-551-4551

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#90344p1787 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Grant Thornton, an international accounting, tax and management consulting firm with offices here, today announced that 14 partners, eight executive directors and more than 130 staff from Spicer & Oppenheim have joined its New York practice.

"We are delighted to welcome this group of talented professionals into our expanding organization," said Robert E. Nason, executive partner of Chicago-based Grant Thornton, which has more than 50 offices nationwide.

With the addition of these former partners and executive directors from Spicer & Oppenheim, which has dissolved its partnership, Grant Thornton will expand its New York operation in three principal areas: investment partnerships; securities and commodities firms; and corporate reorganizations and restructurings.

As a result of this transaction, Grant Thornton's New York office will gain a number of prominent financial services and major commercial clients.

Domenick J. Esposito will continue to head Grant Thornton's New York metropolitan area practice as managing partner. Cono R. Fusco will serve as partner-in-charge of a new practice unit, which will serve Wall Street-area clients from Spicer & Oppenheim's former headquarters at 7 World Trade Center. Grant Thornton's New York City headquarters are located in midtown at 605 Third Ave.

Grant Thornton now has five offices, 45 partners and 400 staff in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.

Grant Thornton has 2,700 total staff, including more than 300 partners, in the United States. The firm serves clients worldwide through Grant Thornton International, which maintains 465 offices in 60 countries.

CONTACT: John Koegel or Liz DeIuliis, 212-599-0100, or Robert E. Nason, 312-856-0001, all of Grant Thornton

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#90344p1788 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Stewart Information Services Corp. (NASDAQ: SISC) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per share, payable Jan. 31, 1991, to Common stockholders of record Dec. 31, 1990. This is a reduction from the 10 cents per share dividend declared in the third quarter

of 1990.

The company had previously announced the possibility of a dividend reduction when it released its third quarter results in October. The board of directors of the company has now determined that it is appropriate and in the best interests of the company and its stockholders to declare a more conservative dividend. This will permit the company to retain cash considered necessary to support its present operations and maintain its policyholder surplus, which the company considers to be an important competitive factor in the title industry.

The board's decision was influenced by the current real estate recession. In line with declining real estate activity, the company's orders have been in a downward trend, declining 11 percent in the month of November compared with the same period a year ago. The company incurred a loss in November primarily because of a decline in revenues from title operations, increased claim loss provisions, a loss on a mapping contract which is near completion. The company has initiated and is continuing its cost reduction programs and recognizes it is operating in a difficult environment. The company is unable at this time to predict whether it will make a profit for the year.

The outlook in Texas and some of the company's other markets are considered to be "above average" in comparison with national forecasts. This is particularly true of resurging Houston, where Stewart is the leading title company. However, the company believes the overall outlook for real estate is reason for caution.

Stewart's primary business is title insurance. The company issues policies on homes and other real property in 50 states, the District of Columbia and Canada through over 26,600 issuing locations. In issuing a policy, the title is first searched, examined and then closed. Stewart's customers include homebuyers and seller, attorneys, builders, developers, lenders and real estate brokers. The company also sells computer-related services and information to the real estate industry. Additionally, the company produces geographic information systems for government and private entities.

CONTACT: Max Crisp of Stewart Information Services Corp., 713-871-1100

-30- 2748

#90344p1791 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Gamma Electronic Systems Inc. (OTC) announced today its decision to withdraw its listing from the Alberta Stock Exchange. A unanimous board resolution was passed today in favor of voluntary withdrawal. Gamma was notified on Dec. 4 of a 15-day interim cease trade order and of a hearing on Dec. 19.

"It's no secret that Gamma has had cash flow problems since its inception,"

said Michael D. Mayer, president and chief executive officer of Gamma. "The company can no longer afford the costs involved with regulatory compliance particularly in light of the limited benefits realized thus far by Gamma," Mayer added.

Gamma also announced updates on previously announced deals. The Lassaray Group Joint Venture is still pending, and is awaiting the resolution of key internal decisions at Lassaray.

The negotiations for the marketing rights of B.A.S.E.(tm) are still ongoing although the Japanese/U.S. Group has failed to provide Gamma with the monies in the allotted time prescribed in the original letter of intent.

For more information contact Sylvio J. Pennucci, Gamma Electronic Systems Inc. 1631 16th St., Santa Monica, CA, 90404. The Alberta Stock Exchange has neither approved nor disapproved the contents of this press release.

CONTACT: Sylvio J. Pennucci of Gamma Electronic Systems Inc., (213) 392-3493.

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#90344p1822 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Super Valu Stores, Inc. (NYSE: SVU) announced record earnings of $38 million in its recently concluded third quarter, which ended Dec. 1.

Earnings of $38 million (51 cents per share) were produced on sales of $2.8 billion, which increased 3.9 percent from the previous year's $2.7 billion sales. Earnings in the previous year were $37.5 million, or 50 cents per share.

The results brought year-to-date (40 weeks) sales to $8.8 billion, a 4.5 percent increase over the previous year, and net earnings to $107.9 million, a 3.5 percent increase over the same period last year. Earnings per share for the three quarters totalled $1.44, an increase of 3.6 percent.

Super Valu Chairman and CEO Mike Wright indicated that, while the company's retail support and retail foods operations were essentially on plan, overall results reflected lower-than-anticipated sales in the company's ShopKo discount general merchandise division.

"Unseasonably warm weather throughout the month of November and the slow start to the Christmas selling season resulted in a shortfall in ShopKo's expected contribution to earnings," said Wright.

Wright indicated that the company's retail support (wholesale food) sales trends had improved in the third quarter in spite of a moderate decline in the rate of food inflation. He also indicated that the current climate for commercial development has resulted in the delay of a number of projects.

However, new stores, store upgrades and new retailer affiliations had added 2.4 million square feet to the company's retailer base through the first three quarters. Aggressive retailer development should be viewed as a growing competitive strength of the company, Wright said.

"The strength of our balance sheet will enable us to continue to develop new stores at a time when some are finding it difficult to finance store growth. Add to that the market flexibility of our array of store formats and we see considerable competitive opportunity for Super Valu and its independent retailers in the months ahead," Wright said.

The company said that the third and final phase of the opening of its new distribution center in Kenosha, Wis., had been finished, the relocation of administrative offices from Green Bay had been completed and that the center was now fully serving its market area.

The company's Spokane division also completed the addition of produce distribution to its product line, which will allow that division's retailers to further consolidate purchases with Super Valu.

CONTACT: Mike Mulligan of Super Valu, (612) 828-4441.

-30- 2825

#90344p1823 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLARK, NJ (Dec. 10) PR Newswire - Ketchum & Co. Inc. (AMEX: KCH) today reported results for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1990.

KETCHUM & CO., INC. AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY INCOME DATA
(dollars in thousands except per share amounts) (unaudited)

Periods ended	Quarter		Twelve Months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$74,471	$58,333	$285,572	$238,866
Loss before income taxes	(192)	(1,896)	(2,632)	(7,207)
Provision for income taxes	27	28	111	89
Net loss	(219)	(1,924)	(2,743)	(7,296)
Net loss per share (A)	(0.09)	(0.79)	(1.13)	(3.25)

(A) - Loss per share amounts are based on the weighted average number of common stock shares outstanding and common stock equivalents:

	1990	1989
Quarter ended Sept. 30	2,428,693	2,428,693
Twelve Months endes Sept. 30	2,428,693	2,246,005

CONTACT: Stephen J. Young, president of Ketchum, (201) 815-4700.

-30- 1270

#90344p1824 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle-Picher Industries (NYSE: EPI) announced today that the company received a petition from three personal injury asbestos plaintiffs seeking to force the company into involuntary bankruptcy.

The petition was filed in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Cincinnati, Ohio. The company believes that this action by the plaintiffs is totally without merit. Furthermore, the company is meeting all of its obligations to vendors, creditors, and lenders on a timely basis.

The company does not believe that any of the three have standing to bring the petition because one has already been paid and the other two have not submitted the releases which are a condition to payment.

Thomas E. Petry, Eagle-Picher Chairman, said, "We believe that this filing is an act of desperation on the part of certain members of the plaintiffs' bar whose goal is to sabotage efforts currently under way for a class action solution to the litigation. This class action would break the massive backlog of asbestos personal injury claims that is choking this country's state and federal judicial systems."

It is the company's intention to ask for an expedited determination of this filing and to also ask that the court order reimbursement to Eagle-Picher for all costs and damages to our business incurred as a result of this petition.

CONTACT: J. Rodman Nall of Eagle-Picher Industries, (513) 721-7010.

-30- 1632

#90344p1826 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWARK, NJ (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Magistrate Ronald Hedges today ordered one of the nation's largest freight moving companies, Consolidated Freightways (NYSE: CNF), a wholly owned subsidiary of Emery Worldwide, to pay more than $25,000 in attorneys fees to another trucking firm, Instant Air Freight Co., of Elizabeth, N.J.

Paul Colwell of the Roseland, N.J., law firm of Wolff & Samson obtained the award on behalf of Instant. Hedges also told Consolidated to pay to Instant $1,154.71 in court reporters' expenses, and ordered Emery President Donald Berger to appear at a deposition Dec. 18 in connection with his company's failure to produce documents pursuant to prior court orders, Colwell reported. Hedges also ordered Emery to produce all requested documents by Jan. 18. Both

sides are scheduled to appear before Hedges on Feb. 1.

According to court papers filed by Colwell with U.S. District Court Judge H. Lee Sarokin, Emery breached a contract with Instant that cost Instant 80 percent of its business and caused it to cut its staff from about 100 employees to 20.

In April 1989, Emery Air Freight and CF Air Freight merged and formed Emery Worldwide - and promptly terminated the contract with Instant, which was its exclusive cartage agent, according to the complaint filed by Colwell.

Instant is seeking compensatory damages for lost profits, and punitive damages and treble damages on antitrust and civil RICO claims. The company also charges Emery with breach of contract and lease, unjust enrichment, and fraud.

CONTACT: Elise Rosenblum of The Marcus Group, (201) 902-9000, for Wolff & Samson.

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#90344p1834 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHAWNEE, OK (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Barton Industries Inc., (NASDAQ: BART) has announced today that a combination of disappointing fourth quarter results and the potential adverse effects of a number of open accounting matters will substantially reduce Barton's earnings for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 from previously reported interim period levels. The net results are dependent upon the resolutions of the accounting matters which could result in a loss for fiscal year 1990.

The disappointing fourth quarter results are expected to include significant losses resulting from the unanticipated continuing adverse effect of a previously announced manufacturing problem at the company's Integrated Technology Systems Division resulting in the Division's inability to sell its Pump-Off Plus control units.

CONTACT: C. W. Earl Johnson or Victor L. Joyce of Barton Industries Inc., 405-273-7660.

-30- 1082

#90344p1836 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - MNC Financial Inc. (NYSE: MNC) announced that a wholly-owned subsidiary, MBNA Corp., filed today with the Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement relating to a proposed initial public offering of 45 million shares of MBNA Corp. common stock.

MBNA Corp. has been formed to conduct the credit card business presently conducted by MBNA America Bank, N.A.

MNC Financial will sell 100 percent of its MBNA Corp. holdings in the offering and MBNA Corp. will sell additional shares.

MNC Financial announced on Oct. 25, 1990, that it had retained an investment banking firm to solicit bids for the sale of MBNA America. Today's filing was made to expand MNC's options with respect to the disposition of MBNA America. The offering will not proceed if MNC Financial reaches an agreement for the sale of MBNA America.

The planned offering, which will be made only by prospectus, is structured as a dual syndicate, with 36 million shares of common stock to be offered in the United States and 9 million shares to be offered concurrently outside of the United States. MBNA Corp. has granted the underwriters an option for 30 days to purchase up to an additional 6.75 million shares. Goldman, Sachs & Co. will lead manage the United States offering and Goldman Sachs International Limited will lead manage the international offering. MNC Financial has indicated that it will ask the underwriters to offer shares to MNC Financial shareholders. Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for the common stock of MBNA Corp.

Immediately prior to completion of the offering, MNC Financial will contribute to MBNA Corp. the credit card and certain related banking assets and liabilities of MBNA America and certain other subsidiaries of MNC Financial. Certain assets and liabilities which are not related to the credit card business will be excluded as will a participation interest in a portfolio of credit card receivables owned by another subsidiary of MNC Financial which had a balance of nearly $500 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

MBNA America is a leading nationwide issuer, marketer and servicer of premium and standard bank credit cards. The company markets primarily through professional, fraternal, educational and special interest associations that endorse the company's credit cards to their affinity group members.

CONTACT: Daniel G. Finney (media), 301-547-4038, or David W. Spartin (investors), 301-547-4410, both of MNC Financial.

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#90344p1837 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SASKATOON, Saskatchewan (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Develcon Electronics Ltd. today announced its audited results for the year ended Aug. 31, 1990 as follows (Canadian funds):

DEVELCON ELECTRONICS LTD.

Aug. 31	Year Ended 1990	Year Ended 1989
Sales and Customer		

Service Revenue	$9,738,000	$11,261,000
Loss Before Income Taxes, Unusual and Extraordinary Items	(2,866,000)	(4,212,000)
Unusual Item	837,000	1,248,000
Loss Before Income Taxes and Extraordinary Items	(2,029,000)	(2,964,000)
Extraordinary items	--	142,000
Net Loss	(2,029,000)	(2,822,000)
Loss Per Share Before Extraordinary Items	$(.36)	$(.80)
Loss Per Share After Extraordinary Items	$(.36)	$(.76)

Audited results for the year ended Aug. 31, 1990 indicate a net loss before and after extraordinary items of $2,029,000 or $.36 per share, compared to a net loss before and after extraordinary item of $2,964,000 and 2,822,000 or $.80 and $.76 respectively per share a year earlier. The $837,000 unusual item in 1990 represents a recovery of refundable Part VIII income taxes associated with the company's purchase of the outstanding shares of 272319 B.C. Ltd. reported in the previous year. Unusual items of $1,248,000 in 1989 included a write down of building costs and U.S. inventory as well as a write off of tax recovery, net of refundable Part VIII income taxes. The $142,000 extraordinary item in 1989 was attributed to the forgiveness of debt relating to interest on a debenture recorded in the second quarter of fiscal 1989.

The weighted average number of shares outstanding was 5,692,839 for fiscal 1990, and 3,697,003 for fiscal year 1989.

The company continues to experience working capital pressures. Management is emphasizing measures to increase revenues and contain costs throughout the organization. At the same time, the company is actively pursuing the identification of a strategic partner who would provide financial strength to the organization.

CONTACT: W.D. Vancoughnett, vice president-finance and chief operating officer of Develcon Electronics, 306-933-3300.

-30- 2559

#90344p1848 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Ultra Pac, Inc. (NASDAQ: UPAC), a Rogers, Minn.-based manufacturer of recyclable food packaging using P.E.T., today reported continued growth during its third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. Net sales and net income increased 117 percent and 453 percent, respectively, compared to the third quarter last year.

Sales for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990 totalled $3,360,846 compared to $1,548,392 reported last year. Net earnings increased to $242,933, or $.09 per share during the current period, up from $43,931, or $.02 per share during the same period last year.

During the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, Ultra Pac recorded net sales of $8,305,207, a 114 percent increase over the $3,884,030 reported for the comparable period one year ago. For the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, the company reported primary net earnings of $538,750, or $.24 per share, compared to $137,453, or $.07 per share last year.

Established in 1987, Ultra Pac, Inc. reported sales of $741,124 during the period from inception (February 1987) through Jan. 31, 1988. Net sales commenced in May 1987. The company reported sales of $2,791,496 and $5,474,038 for the years ended Jan. 31, 1989 and 1990.

Management attributed the increase in sales to the company's overall expansion of marketing and distribution channels, as well as the introduction of new products, including its recently introduced deli packaging product line.

During the third quarter this year, cost of goods sold decreased to 70.3 percent of net sales from 74.0 percent during the same period last year. Marketing and sales expense, as a percentage of net sales, decreased to 14.5 percent in the third quarter compared to 15.3 percent in the third quarter last year. Shareholders' equity increased from $777,623 on Jan. 31, 1990 to $1,902,672 on Oct. 31, 1990, due to retained earnings and as a result of the net proceeds from the sale of common stock and the exercise of certain common stock options and warrants totalling $568,299.

During the nine-month period, the company entered into a new lending agreement which refinanced all current and term notes payable and certain capital lease obligations. The new agreement increased the company's term loan facility by $1,000,000 and revolving credit facility by $450,000. This lending agreement, which bears interest on the remaining balances at 1-1/2 percent over prime rate (11.5 percent at Oct. 31, 1990), replaces previous lending agreements, including accounts receivable financing, which were at substantially higher interest rates.

Ultra Pac, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets recyclable plastic packaging for the food industry and premium CD packaging for the music industry. Ultra Pac, Inc. common stock is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol "UPAC."

CONTACT: Cal Krupa of Ultra Pac, 612-428-8340; or Tom de Petra of First Financial Investor Relations, 612-338-7630, for Ultra Pac.

-30- 3141
#90344p1856 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&E Corp. (AMEX: ATW) announced today that as part of its continuing effort to streamline its organization and reduce operating expenses, it has implemented a plan to reduce its total workforce by approximately 40 percent by early January 1991.

Although the workforce reduction program reduces the company's operating expenses, AT&E requires a cash infusion in order to continue operations and implement its new strategic plan. As stated in AT&E's Form 10-Q Quarterly Report for the quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990, the company is currently negotiating with Seiko Corp. and potential strategic partners to raise additional capital. AT&E is also exploring the sale of the company and merger or other business combination opportunities with third parties.

In view of the company's plan to function primarily in a supporting role with respect to the implementation and operation of the RECEPTOR (TM) Personal Communications System, Charles Skibo has decided to resign as president and chief operating officer of the company. As part of its restructuring effort, AT&E has consolidated the operations of its Network Services Division and AT&E Laboratories Inc. under the direction of Michael J. Park, senior vice president of AT&E and president of AT&E Network Services. In connection with this reorganization, Dr. Ronald Foerster has resigned as senior vice president of AT&E and president of AT&E Laboratories Inc., but will remain as a non-executive director of the company.

AT&E's common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange; its symbol is ATW.

CONTACT: Randolph L. Tom of AT&E Corp., 415-951-1500.

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#90344p1857 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Paul Dwight Doolen died Friday, Dec. 7 in Mt. Dora, Fla., at the age of 85.

Doolen was the former president and CEO of Bankers Life and Casualty Co., and chairman of the board of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation from its inception in 1978 until his retirement in 1984. In addition, Doolen was president of The Retirement Research Foundation in Park Ridge, Ill.

"Paul Doolen played a crucial role in the history of the MacArthur Foundation, providing strong, calm leadership in its early years," said President Adele Simmons.

Born Feb. 24, 1905 in Vernon, Ill., Doolen received his bachelor's degree in liberal arts from the University of Illinois in 1927, and his LL.B from Harvard Law School in 1931.

Early in his career, Doolen practiced law primarily in the northern suburbs of Chicago in the firm of Decker and Doolen. It was there that he handled some routine legal affairs for a walk-in-client -- John D. MacArthur. An enduring and close personal friendship developed, and years after that first meeting, MacArthur, without preamble, asked Doolen to accept the post of president of Bankers Life and Casualty. Doolen declined on the grounds that an executive within the company, someone more familiar with the insurance business itself, should be president. MacArthur persisted, and on Feb. 1, 1952, Doolen joined Bankers Life -- but in a planning position, not in a line office. The two men agreed on the positions of vice-chairman of the board and chairman of the newly created executive committee.

After retiring as vice-chairman and president of Bankers Life and Casualty in 1978, Doolen became chairman of the board of the MacArthur Foundation. He was also active in civic affairs -- as director and chairman of the Macon County Community Chest; director and chairman of the Aviation Committee of the Illinois State Chamber of Commerce; director of the Adult Education Council of Greater Chicago; Founding Trustee of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.; and chairman and director of Retirement Research Foundation.

Doolen moved to Mt. Dora, Fla., from Barrington, Ill., in 1982. He was a member of the Mt. Dora Yacht Club and the Sapphire Valley Country Club, Sapphire, N.C. He is survived by his wife, Estine Lewis Doolen, of Mt. Dora; a son, Mark Lorimer Doolen, of Chicago; a daughter, Deborah Doolen Ittel, of Greenwich, Conn.; and two granddaughters.

CONTACT: Ted Hearne, 312-728-6996

-30- 2673

#90344p1863 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, S.C. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - At the annual meeting of shareholders of F.A. Computer Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: FACO) held here Dec. 7, 1990, the shareholders voted to approve an amendment to the company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation providing for a change of its name to Gates/FA Distributing Inc.

Concurrent with the name change, to become effective on Jan. 1, 1991, the company's securities will trade in the over-the-counter market and will be quoted on the NASDAQ System under the new symbols: GAFA (common stock), GAFAW (warrants), and GAFAU (units).

The company was originally incorporated as F.A. Computer Technologies Inc. in April 1987. Upon the fall 1988 announcement of the merger with Gates Distributing Inc., the company began operating under the trade name Gates/FA Distributing. The use of the trade name in conjunction with the company's dissimilar stock symbols created some confusion among investors following the company.

In another matter presented at the annual meeting, the shareholders elected six directors to the company's board. These are Irwin Lieber, Eli Oxenhorn, Steven H. Owings, Dennis Gates, G. Robert Brownell, and Charles A. Luther.

Gates/FA Distributing is a national distributor of a select number of high-quality microcomputer product lines. Serving only the reseller, Gates/FA offers "Next Day/No Extra Cost!" delivery from its centralized- hub warehousing facility. The corporate headquarters are located in Greenville, S.C., at 803-234-0736. The national toll-free sales telephone number is 800-332-2222.

CONTACT: Steve Owings of Gates/FA Distributing, 803-234-0736; or Nancy Comstock of Comstock Communications, 415-799-7711

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#90344p1864 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, S.C. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Gates/FA Distributing (NASDAQ: FACO) today announced the appointment of Steven H. Owings as chairman of the board of directors and Philip D. Ellett as president. Owings remains the company's chief executive officer.

Ellett, who joined Gates/FA in October, 1989, as exective vice president, now assumes responsibility for the firm's day-to-day operations.

According to CEO Steve Owings, "Phil was originally brought on board with the intent to elevate him to the company's presidency. We believe this will be a smooth transition since as executive vice president he handled several similar responsibilities."

Ellett, who continues to report to Owings, will now oversee all company departments, which include sales, merchandising, marketing, finance, technical support and customer service. He remains the key contact for the firm's vendors.

As chairman of the board and chief executive officer, Owings will continue supervising corporate planning and acting as liaison between the corporation and its financial institutions and advisers, its principal shareholders and lenders.

Dennis Gates, former board chairman, will remain on the board of directors and the executive committee and will continue to work with the executive team as an adviser, and as a liaison to the investment community.

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warehousing facility. The corporate headquarters are located in Greenville, S.C., at 803-234-0736. The national toll-free sales telephone number is 800-332-2222.

CONTACT: Steve Owings of Gates/FA Distributing, 803-234-0736; or Nancy Comstock of Comstock Communications, 415-799-7711

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#90344p1866 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
SEATTLE (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Boeing (NYSE: BA) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Frank Shrontz, reported that the board of directors at its regular meeting declared a dividend of 25 cents per share for the first quarter of 1991, payable March 8, 1991 to stockholders of record as of Feb. 15 1991.

CONTACT: Paul Binder of the Boeing Company, 206-655-6123

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#90344p1871 12/10/1990 ~PR Newswire
GARDENA, Calif. (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Shareholders at the annual meeting of Western Waste Industries (NASDAQ: WWIN) on Dec. 7, 1990, approved staggered terms for its board directors and the elimination of cumulative voting, and authorized 2 million shares of preferred stock. The company has no current plans to issue any preferred shares.

In addition, shareholders elected Savey Tufenkian, Walter F. Beran and John W. Simmons as directors for one-year terms, and Kosti Shirvanian, Harry S. Derbyshire, and Dr. A.N. Mosich as directors for two-year terms.

Western Waste Industries is a leading integrated solid waste management company, providing collection services, landfill, transfer station and recycling operations for commercial, industrial, and residential customers. The company has operations in California, Texas, Arkansas, Florida, Colorado, Louisiana and Arizona.

CONTACT: Richard F. Widrig of Western Waste Industries, 213-329-1425; or Craig A. Parsons of Rifkind, Pondel and Parsons, 213-207-9300, for Western Waste Industries

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#90344t3432 12/10/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (DEC. 10) TASS - JAPANESE COSMONAUT TOYEHIRO AKIYAMA HAS BEEN AWARDED THE SOVIET ORDER OF FRIENDSHIP OF PEOPLES.

THE SOVIET PRESIDENT'S DECREE READS THAT HE WAS DECORATED FOR A SUCCESSFUL

IMPLEMENTATION OF A SPACE FLIGHT ON BOARD THE SOVIET MIR SPACE STATION AND GREAT CONTRIBUTION IN STRENGTHENING UNDERSTANDING, FRIENDSHIP AND TRUST BETWEEN THE PEOPLES OF THE SOVIET UNION AND JAPAN.

REKO KIKUCHI, THE JAPANESE WOMAN WHO TRAINED FOR THE FLIGHT AS ALTERNATE, HAS ALSO BEEN DECORATED WITH THE ORDER OF FRIENDSHIP OF PEOPLES.

THE SOVIET PRESIDENT'S DECREE GAVE THE TITLE OF A HERO OF THE SOVIET UNION TO GENNADY MANAKOV FOR SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SPACE FLIGHT ON BOARD THE MIR SPACE STATION. TWICE HERO OF THE SOVIET UNION GENNADY STREKALOV HAS BEEN DECORATED WITH THE ORDER OF THE OCTOBER REVOLUTION. MANAKOV WAS ALSO AWARDED THE TITLE OF A USSR PILOT-COSMONAUT.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 10) TASS - THE KOSMOS-2112 ARTIFICIAL EARTH SATELLITE WAS LAUNCHED IN THE SOVIET UNION TODAY.

THE SATELLITE CARRIES SCIENTIFIC EQUIPMENT AIMED TO CONTINUE SPACE RESEARCH, A RADIO SYSTEM FOR PRECISE MEASURING OF THE ORBIT'S ELEMENTS AND A RADIO TELEMETRIC SYSTEM TO TRANSMIT DATA ON THE FUNCTIONING OF INSTRUMENTS AND SCIENTIFIC EQUIPMENT.

THE SATELLITE HAS BEEN LAUNCHED WITH THE FOLLOWING PARAMETERS: INITIAL PERIOD OF REVOLUTION -- 100.7 MINUTES, MAXIMUM DISTANCE FROM THE EARTH'S SURFACE (AT APOGEE) -- 818 KILOMETERS, MINIMUM DISTANCE FROM THE EARTH'S SURFACE (AT PERIGEE) -- 774 KILOMETERS, ORBITAL INCLINATION -- 74.1 DEGREE.

EQUIPMENT IS FUNCTIONING NORMALLY.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 10) TASS - REBELS ARE PLUNDERING AFGHANISTAN'S NATIONAL HISTORIC AND CULTURAL VALUES AND NATURAL RESOURCES, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN YURI GREMITSKIKH TOLD A BRIEFING HERE TODAY.

GREMITSKIKH SAID AFGHAN SECURITY FORCES RECENTLY CONFISCATED A BUDDHA SCULPTURE, ESTIMATED BY EXPERTS AT 100 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, AND A UNIQUE COLLECTION OF 5TH-6TH CENTURIES ROLLS FROM IRRECONCILABLE OPPOSITION GROUPS IN KUNDUZ PROVINCE. REBELS WERE PLANNING TO SELL THEM ABROAD.

REBEL GROUPS HAVE MADE ILLEGAL EXPORTS OF PRECIOUS STONES AN IMPORTANT SOURCE FOR FINANCING THEIR ARMED UNITS AND FOR PERSONAL ENRICHMENT. ONLY AT THE SARE-SANG DEPOSIT, THEY HAVE EXTRACTED AND SOLD LAPIS LAZULI, WORTH SOME 20 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, GREMITSKIKH SAID.

THE AFGHAN GOVERNMENT IS WORRIED WITH MISAPPROPRIATION OF THE NATIONAL RICHES. SCIENTISTS FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES, WHO ATTENDED THE INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON PROBLEMS OF HISTORY AND CULTURE IN KABUL IN NOVEMBER, EXPRESSED INDIGNATION OVER THE ACTIVITIES OF THE IRRECONCILABLE OPPOSITION, MOVING UNIQUE CULTURAL VALUES FROM AFGHANISTAN.

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#90344t3444 12/10/1990 ~ts

STOCKHOLM (DEC. 10) TASS - "WE, YOUR FELLOW NOBEL LAUREATES OF 1990, HAVE DECIDED UNANIMOUSLY TO EXTEND TO YOU OUR CONGRATULATIONS AND ADMIRATION FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO PEACE ON EARTH," READS A TELEGRAM BY 1990 NOBEL PRIZE WINNERS TO PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV, CONGRATULATING HIM FOR WINNING THE PEACE PRIZE.

IN STOCKHOLM, KING KARL XYI GUSTAF OF SWEDEN TODAY PRESENTED HONOURARY DIPLOMAS AND MEMORIAL MEDALS TO TEN THIS YEAR'S NOBEL PRIZE WINNERS. U.S. SCIENTISTS JOSEPH MURRAY AND DONNALL THOMAS RECEIVED THE PRIZE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF TRANSPLANT SURGERY. THEIR COMPATRIOTS JEROME FREEDMAN AND HENRY KENDALL AND CANADIAN RICHARD TAYLOR WERE AWARDED FOR WORKS IN ELEMENTARY PARTICLES PHYSICS.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR ELIAS JAMES COREY WON THE PRIZE IN CHEMISTRY FOR WORKS IN THE THEORY AND METHODOLOGY OF ORGANIC SYNTHESIS. U.S. SCIENTISTS HARRY MARKOWITZ, MERTON MILLER AND WILLIAM SHARPE HAVE BECOME LAUREATES FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION IN FINANCIAL THEORIES. MEXICAN POET OCTAVIO PAZ WON THE LITERARY PRIZE.

NOBEL PRIZES HAVE INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION BY RIGHT, LIKE NO OTHER SCIENTIFIC OR CULTURAL DISTINCTION, PROFESSOR LARS GYLLENSTEN SAID IN A SPEECH AT THE AWARD CEREMONY IN STOCKHOLM.

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#90344t3445 12/10/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 10) TASS - PRESIDENT SAPARMURAD NIYAZOV OF TURKMENIA, A SOVIET CENTRAL ASIAN REPUBLIC, ISSUED A DECREE ON "THE TEMPORARY REGULATION OF THE EXPORT OF GOODS, FOODSTUFFS, RAW AND OTHER MATERIALS" FROM TURKMENIA, THE IZVESTIA NEWSPAPER REPORTED ON MONDAY.

THE DECREE BANS THE EXPORT FROM THE REPUBLIC OF CARPETS, SEWING MACHINES, REFRIGERATORS, TELEVISION SETS, FURNITURE, ELECTRONICS, BATH EQUIPMENT, BUILDING MATERIALS, CAR SPARES, NATURAL FURS, BOOKS, MEAT PRODUCTS, FOOTWEAR, AND MANY OTHER GOODS.

IT ALLOWS POLICE TO INSPECT THE LUGGAGE OF CITIZENS LEAVING TURKMENIA BY ANY KIND OF TRANSPORT AND CONFISCATE BANNED GOODS.

PARCELS TO BE SENT OUT OF THE REPUBLIC WILL BE CHECKED BEFORE RECEPTION FOR DELIVERY.

THE CONTROL OVER THE REGULATION OF EXPORTS WILL BE EXERCISED BY A COMMISSION COMPRISING SENIOR EXECUTIVES OF THE REPUBLICAN PLANNING COMMITTEE, THE AGRO-INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE, THE COMMITTEE FOR MATERIAL AND TECHNICAL SUPPLIES, AND THE COMMITTEE FOR OIL PRODUCTS.

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#90344t3447 12/10/1990 ~ts

VILNIUS (DEC. 11) TASS - "TENSION IN LITHUANIA IS MOUNTING," LITHUANIAN DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER ROMUALDAS OZOLAS TOLD REPUBLICAN TELEVISION.

SPEAKING ABOUT SOURCES OF TENSION INSIDE THE REPUBLIC, OZOLAS FIRST OF ALL TOUCHED UPON THE PROBLEMS OF EASTERN LITHUANIA, WHERE POLES CONSTITUTE AN ETHNIC MAJORITY.

HE RECALLED THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A VILNIUS POLISH NATIONAL-TERRITORIAL REGION WAS PROCLAIMED THERE EARLY IN OCTOBER THIS YEAR AT THE SECOND CONGRESS OF DEPUTIES FROM ALL LEVELS IN VILNIUS AREA.

HOWEVER, THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT HAS NOT OFFICIALLY EXPRESSED ITS OPINION ON THE ISSUE UP TO NOW. A SPECIAL WORKING GROUP IS CONSIDERING MATTERS CONCERNING A POSSIBLE STATUS OF POLISH AUTONOMY AND WILL SUBMIT ITS RECOMMENDATIONS TO PARLIAMENT FOR CONSIDERATION.

THE DEPUTY PRIMIER ALSO MENTIONED AS A SOURCE OF THE MOUNTING TENSION "THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY (CPSU)'S DISRUPTIVE ACTIVITY IN LITHUANIA". "THE CPSU HAS LONG BEEN THE MAIN COORDINATOR OF POLITICAL SABOTAGE AND MILITARY BLACKMAIL IN LITHUANIA," OZOLAS SAID.

HE DESCRIBED AS A PARTICULARLY SIGNIFICANT EVENT IN THE REPUBLIC'S POLITICAL LIFE THE DISCUSSION, WHICH BEGAN AT THE LITHUANIAN PARLIAMENT SESSION LAST WEEK, OF THE ITEM CONCERNING "THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SITUATION IN THE LITHUANIAN REPUBLIC".

THE PARLIAMENT ITSELF AND ITS LEADERSHIP WERE FOR THE FIRST TIME OPENLY AND STRONGLY CRITICISED DURING THE DISCUSSION.

AS OZOLAS PUT IT, THE DISCUSSION WAS "VERY INTERESTING AND VALUABLE."

HE POINTED OUT THAT "THE ORIENTATION TOWARDS PARLIAMENTARY IMMUNITY THAT HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE SO FAR IS A REFLECTION OF THE CPSU'S IMMUNITY." AT THE SAME TIME HE EMPHASISED THAT NO ONE CAN BE ALLOWED TO DENY THE PARLIAMENT ITSELF OR SPEAK ABOUT RE-ELECTING IT.

OZOLAS DID NOT SHOW OPTIMISM WHEN TOUCHING UPON A MEETING, SCHEDULED FOR

DECEMBER 13, BETWEEN DELEGATIONS OF THE LITHUANIAN REPUBLIC AND THE SOVIET UNION, TO DISCUSS MATTERS OF PREPARATION FOR TALKS. HE BELIEVES THAT "THE QUEST FOR ACCORDS AT THE MEETING WILL APPARENTLY TURN INTO PUTTING FORWARD DEMANDS."

OZOLAS ALSO TOOK A PESSIMISTIC VIEW OF PROSPECTS FOR A MEETING, SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, BETWEEN LITHUANIAN PARLIAMENT PRESIDENT VYTAUTAS LANDSBERGIS AND U.S. PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH.

HAVING IN MIND, UNDOUBTEDLY, THE PROBLEMS OF RECOGNISING LITHUANIA'S INDEPENDENCE, OZOLAS SAID: "ONE CAN HAVE NO DOUBT THAT WHAT WAS NOT DONE DURING SEVERAL DAYS FOLLOWING MARCH 11 WOULD NOT BE DONE NOW THAT THERE IS THE THREAT OF A GULF WAR".

-30- 2692
#90344t3449 12/10/1990 ~ts
KISHINEV (DEC. 11) TASS - MOLDAVIAN POLITICAL PARTIES, PUBLIC, RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL ORGANISATIONS AND MOVEMENTS HELD A CONSULTATIVE MEETING HERE ON MONDAY ON THE INITIATIVE OF THE MOLDAVIAN COMMUNIST PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

PARTICIPANTS CALLED ON ALL POLITICAL FORCES IN THE REPUBLIC TO TAKE PART IN PREPARING A "ROUND TABLE" MEETING, SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY, 1991. A COORDINATION COMMITTEE HAS BEEN SET UP TO PREPARE THE MEETING.

PARTICIPANTS SUGGESTED THAT THE "ROUND TABLE" DISCUSS THE SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC, THE ROLE OF PEOPLE'S DIPLOMACY IN REACHING ACCORD AND MOLDAVIA'S INTEGRITY, A DRAFT UNION TREATY, CIVIL CONSENSUS AND CONVENING THE CONGRESS OF PEOPLES OF MOLDAVIA.

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MOLDAVIAN COMMUNIST PARTY, THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY, THE NATIONAL CHRISTIAN PARTY, THE KISHINEV EPARCHIAL DEPARTMENT OF THE RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH, THE MOLDAVIAN CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE AND OTHER PUBLIC AND POLITICAL ORGANISATIONS EXPRESSED THEIR DEEP CONCERN OVER THE SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL SITUATION IN THE REPUBLIC, SHARPENING INTER-ETHNIC RELATIONS AND THE DANGER OF DISINTEGRATION OF THE REPUBLIC.

-30- 1308
#90344u0028 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 10) UPI - Senior Saudi and Kuwaiti officials are denying a British newspaper report claiming Saudi Arabia and Kuwait's exiled government are holding secret talks with Iraq. The London newspaper The Independent reported the talks aimed at granting Iraq part of Kuwait's territory after Iraq withdrew from the emirate. But both Saudi and Kuwait strongly denied the report today.

Dan Quayle says Congress is playing politics with the Iraqi crisis. The vice

president says lawmakers have- in his words- ''the luxury of criticism without the burden of accountability.'' Quayle gave his gloves-off address today to an annual conference of Republican governors in North Carolina.

Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze says he'll discuss humanitarian aid for his economically struggling nation in talks that will continue tomorrow with Secretary of State Baker in Houston. Shevardnadze says Moscow would appreciate ''food supplies.'' Baker says President Bush has been consider food and medical aid to the Soviet Union. The two diplomats will fly to Washington tomorrow night for a meeting with Bush the following day.

NASA administrator Richard Truly says he is looking forward to hearing tales from the crew of the shuttle Columbia. Truly says he wants to hear how the astronauts turned- in his words- ''such a shaky start into such a great success.'' The space agency is bringing the ship home one day earlier due to anticipated bad weather conditions at Edwards Air Force Base in California. The ship is expected to touchdown early tomorrow.

Diplomats say the U-N Security Council delayed again today a debate on whether to hold an international conference on the Middle East. The 15-nation council met formally for about three minutes this afternoon before suspending the session. Diplomats say the delay is designed to give NON-aligned nations time to devise a compromise resolution to quell U-S opposition.

-30- 2092

#90344u0054 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 10) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Philadelpha	3	1	1	--5
Chicago	1	1	2	--4

First period-1, Philadelphia, Craven 7 (Mellanby, Sutter), 4:15. 2, Chicago, Manson 3 (Roenick, Graham), pp, 7:49. 3, Philadelphia, Ricci 9 (Tocchet, Eklund), pp, 9:52. 4, Philadelphia, Tocchet 21 (unassisted), 14:09.

Penalties-Kushner, Phi, 5:53; Goulet, Chi, 9:03; Manson, Chi, 10:42; Grimsom, Chi, 16:49.

Second period-5, Philadelphia, Smith 6 (Hostak), 1:37. 6, Chicago, Manson 4 (Roenick, Brown), sh, 5:16.

Penalties-Carkner, Phi, 3:10; Thomas, Chi, 4:41; Baron, Phi, 9:58.

Third period-7, Chicago, Thomas 7 (Graham), 13:26. 8, Philadelphia, Eklund 9 (unassisted), pp, 15:48. 9, Chicago, Larmer 21 (Creighton, Graham), pp, 19:24.

Penalty-Goulet, Chi, 14:19; Manson, Chi, 14:33; Baron, Phi, 16:34; Murphy, Phi

18:43.

Shots on goal-Philadelphia 12-4-8-24. Chicago 6-18-9-33.

Power-play opportunities-Philadelphia 6-2, Chicago 5-2.

Goaltenders-Philadelphia, Hextall. Chicago, Belfour, Cloutier. A-17,505.

Referee-Andy Van Hellemond.

Calgary	1	2	0	--3
Edmonton	1	0	1	--2

First period-1, Edmonton, Huddy 4 (Tikkanen), 7:02. 2, Calgary, Ranheim 11 (Gilmour), 12:15.

Penalties-Musil, Cgy, 1:12; Anderson, Edm, 1:12; Brown, Edm, 2:19; Fleury, Cgy 4:11; Muni, Edm, 4:11; Fleury, Cgy, 11:18; Beukeboom, Edm, 11:18; Simard, Cgy minor (misconduct), 11:48; Buchberger, Edm minor (misconduct), 11:48; Otto, Cgy, 12:07; Brown, Edm, 12:07; MacLellan, Cgy, 14:13; Beukeboom, Edm, 14:13; Sabourin, Cgy, 15:02; Linseman, Edm, 18:28.

Second period-3, Calgary, MacInnis 12 (Gilmour, Suter), :32. 4, Calgary MacInnis 13 (unassisted), pp, 13:17.

Penalties-M. Hunter, Cgy, 1:22; Musil, Cgy, 5:45; G. Smith, Edm, 8:49; Lowe, Edm, 12:24; Simard, Cgy (major), 13:57; Buchberger, Edm (major), 13:57; Nieuwendyk, Cgy, 15:31; Otto, Cgy, 19:50.

Third period-4, Edmonton, Murphy 11 (S. Smith, Gelinas), 16:15.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Calgary 14-7-3-24. Edmonton 12-4-10-26.

Power-play conversions-Calgary 4-1. Edmonton 5-0.

Goalies-Calgary, Vernon. Edmonton, Ranford. A-17,503.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

Boston	2	0	1	--3
Buffalo	0	0	2	--2

First period-1, Boston, D. Sweeney 3 (Brickley, Christian), 12:43. 2, Boston, Bourque 4 (Burridge, B. Sweeney), 17:28.

Penalties-Bodger, Buf, 4:43; Galley, Bos, 9:24; Sejba, Buf, 13:42; Nilan, Bos,

18:42; Hartman, Buf, 18:42.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Walz, Bos, 1:08; Burridge, Bos, 7:16; Foligno, Buf, 11:52; Bourque, Bos, 12:26; Carter, Bos, 13:17.

Third period-3, Boston, Neely 12 (Nilan, Galley) 4:22. 4, Buffalo, Vaive 9 (Hogue, Andreychuk), pp, 6:46. 5, Buffalo, Snuggerud 3 (Hawerchuk, Foligno),12:40.

Penalties-Byers, Bos, 5:47; Carter, Bos, 5:47; Hartman, Buf, 5:47; Krupp, Buf, double- minor, misconduct-game misconduct, 7:12.

Shots on Goal-Boston 13-11-13-37. Buffalo 5- 13-12-30.

Goaltenders-Boston, Moog. Buffalo, Malarchuk. A-16,044.

Power-play conversions-Boston 5-0. Buffalo 6-1.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

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#90344u0069 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 10) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
y-Buffalo	11	2	0	.846	373	207	6-1	W-2
Miami	10	3	0	.769	275	184	6-0	W-1
Indianapolis	5	8	0	.385	200	281	2-4	L-2
New York Jets	4	9	0	.308	216	295	1-5	L-4
New England	1	12	0	.077	154	366	1-6	L-9
CENTRAL								
Cincinnati	7	6	0	.538	292	294	3-1	L-1
Pittsburgh	7	6	0	.538	234	200	1-3	W-1
Houston	7	6	0	.538	324	243	3-1	W-1
Cleveland	2	11	0	.154	201	396	1-3	L-8
WEST								
Kansas City	9	4	0	.692	314	199	4-3	L-1
LA Raiders	8	4	0	.667	230	194	4-2	W-1
Seattle	7	6	0	.538	242	240	3-4	W-3
San Diego	6	7	0	.462	272	220	2-3	W-1

Denver	3	10	0	.231	277	334	2-3	L-6

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
x-New York Giants	11	2	0	.846	285	163	6-1	W-1
Washington	8	5	0	.615	299	242	4-4	W-2
Philadelphia	7	6	0	.538	325	275	3-3	L-1
Dallas	6	7	0	.462	193	255	1-5	W-3
Phoenix	5	8	0	.385	216	308	2-3	W-3

CENTRAL

x-Chicago	10	3	0	.769	290	207	5-1	L-1
Minnesota	6	7	0	.462	297	252	3-4	L-1
Green Bay	6	7	0	.462	241	270	2-4	L-2
Tampa Bay	5	8	0	.385	210	311	4-2	W-1
Detroit	4	8	0	.333	270	307	1-5	L-1

WEST

x-San Francisco	12	1	0	.923	297	199	3-1	W-2
New Orleans	6	7	0	.462	235	239	2-2	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	5	8	0	.385	305	346	2-1	L-1
Atlanta	3	10	0	.231	292	332	1-4	L-6

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff spot

-30- 2222

#90344u0091 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

BEIJING (DEC. 10) UPI - Premier Li Peng said Monday a crucial Communist Party meeting this month would focus solely on the economy and suggested China would be ''lenient'' towards Tiananmen Spring dissidents charged with political crimes.

Li was speaking to reporters at the Beijing airport before departing with Foreign Minister Qian Qichen on a 10-day visit to Malaysia, the Phillipines, Laos and Sri Lanka.

The hard-line premier said the long-expected Communist Party plenary session would take place in the latter half of December, but that it would not address the controversial issue of the fate of deposed party chief Zhao Ziyang.

Zhao, ousted from all his posts last June for allegedly supporting the 1989 democracy protests, has been ''under investigation'' for more than a year but remains a party member.

''As far as I know, there will only be one item at the forthcoming meeting,'' Li said. ''That is discussions about the Eighth Five-Year Plan and the 10-year strategy for economic development. There will be no other item on the agenda.''

The party meeting had been scheduled for the fall but reportedly was postponed due to high-level bickering over the nature and pace of China's economic reforms over the next decade.

Although Li referred to the long-range economic plans as ''major events,'' little is expected from a lackluster party meeting, the result of a vague compromise apparently hammered out between reformists and conservative central planners.

Li refused to elaborate on the fate of political dissidents awaiting trial on charges of counterrevolution and sedition for their activities in spring 1989, but hinted they would not receive harsh sentences.

''So far as the party and government is concerned, the policies are very lenient towards these people,'' Li said.

Li was referring to democracy advocates such as student leader Wang Dan, one of a core group of students and intellectuals imprisoned for more than a year for allegedly masterminding the Tiananmen Spring democracy movement.

Two of the dissidents have been charged with sedition, a serious crime punishable in China by a lengthy prison term or even death in extreme cases.

At least nine jailed activists have been charged with ''spreading counterrevolutionary propaganda,'' a vaguely defined crime carrying prison sentences of five to 10 years.

-30- 2588

#90344u0105 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 10) UPI - Secretary of State Baker says Iraq is NOT taking seriously the process of setting dates for high-level talks with the United States. The Bush administration has proposed the discussions be held in late December and early January. Baker suggested in an interview Sunday that Iraq's choice of later dates show the Baghdad government is NOT serious about the talks.

Officials results are expected to be announced Monday in Poland following the nation's first democratic presidential election. However, computer projections based on exit polls show Solidarity founder Lech Walesa took nearly 75 percent of the ballots cast. Walesa gave the familar ''V-for-victory'' Solidarity salute to about five-thousand chanting supporters who gathered under his window in Gdansk, waving Polish flags, balloons and torches.

NASA says the decision on when to bring the shuttle Columbia home is up in the

air- and will remain so until the space agency gets an updated forecast Monday morning. The shuttle and its seven-man crew is scheduled to make a rare nighttime landing Tuesday at Edwards Air Force Base in California. But forecasts call for high winds and rain in the Mojave Desert at the time of the planned touchdown, prompting thoughts of bringing the ship down one day early. NASA officials plan a morning meeting to make a final decision.

Regardless of when the shuttle returns, scientists are optimistic the astronauts will complete at least 160 or so of their planned 200 observations. The astronauts are studying X-rays and ultraviolet light from the most violent stars and galaxies in the universe... using a 150- Million-dollar battery of four ''Astro-1'' telescopes.

Police academy cadets had an unusual task in completing their final exam this weekend in Florida's Tampa Bay area. The cadets had to capture a dangerous prisoner- an ill-tempered, seven-foot alligator. Gater roping is NOT a particularly handy skill for most police forces, but it is for officers in Florida, where one cadet was heard to joke- ''and you thought New York was dangerous.''

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#90344u0156 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 10) UPI - Police in Indiana say an explosion and fire ripped through a housing complex at an Army base Sunday night, injuring as many as 11 people. Indiana state police say the blast caused flames that engulfed several buildings at Fort Benjamin Harrison, forcing the evacuation of ''numerous'' people. The base is a processing point for Midwest military workers en route to Saudi Arabia.

The shuttle Columbia's crew is working through the home stretch of an astronomy mission that has proved to be a success, despite a series of mishaps. The shuttle astronomers are confident of achieving at least 80 percent of their pre-launch objectives after dealing with a stopped-up sewage system and overheated computers. Scientists say the mission has provided the first detailed look at X-rays and ultraviolet light from deep space.

The third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising was marked by curfews, a general strike, bombings and death in the occupied terrorities. The military imposed a curfew on Bethlehem after homemade bombs exploded in the West Bank town, killing one Israeli soldier and injuring two others. In a Gaza Strip village, Israeli troops shot and killed a Palestinian who they say tried to stangle a soldier. But Palestinian sources say the Arab was killed while trying to flee soldiers beating him.

A New York jury will begin an 11th day of deliberations in a Central Park rape trial amid speculation that is is nearing a verdict. On Sunday, the panel asked about how one of the defendants was treated by police between his first

and second videotaped confessions. The defendant's attorny claims his client is innocent and was tricked into making incriminating statements.

President Bush showed some wear Sunday after six weeks of heavy travel. The White House announced Bush was cancelling plans Sunday night to participate in the taping of an annual holiday show, describing Bush as ''tired.'' Bush returned this week from a tour of South America. During two years in office, Bush has visited nearly the same number of nations that former President Reagan set foot in during eight years in office.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	15	4	.789	-
Philadelphia	13	6	.684	2
New York	7	11	.389	7 1/2
New Jersey	7	11	.389	7 1/2
Washington	6	13	.316	9
Miami	5	12	.294	9

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	14	5	.737	-
Detroit	14	6	.700	1/2
Chicago	12	7	.632	2
Cleveland	10	10	.500	4 1/2
Charlotte	8	10	.444	5 1/2
Indiana	8	12	.400	6 1/2
Atlanta	7	11	.389	6 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	10	5	.667	-
Utah	12	7	.632	-
Houston	11	8	.579	1
Dallas	6	11	.353	5
Minnesota	6	12	.333	5 1/2
Orlando	5	15	.250	7 1/2
Denver	4	15	.211	8

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	18	1	.947	-
LA Lakers	11	6	.647	6
Golden State	12	7	.631	6
Phoenix	10	7	.588	7
LA Clippers	9	9	.500	8 1/2
Seattle	5	12	.294	12
Sacramento	3	14	.176	14

-30- 1319

#90344u0216 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 10) UPI- Two of the NHL's stars returned from an absence Sunday night and, even though they brought varying impact, both their clubs emerged with a victory.

Goalie Ron Hextall rejoined Philadelphia's lineup after a lengthy injury and helped the Flyers to a 5-4 victory over the Buffalo Sabres.

Boston winger Cam Neely returned from a five-game suspension and, in an even bigger impact, scored the winning goal in the Boston Bruins' 3-2 triumph over the Buffalo Sabres.

''I may have a short memory, but this is as tired as I've ever felt,'' said Hextall, who stymied Chicago's comeback bid with 24 saves in the last two periods. ''I'm not thrilled about my performance, but we won. I'm ready to go.''

Sidelined since Oct. 27 when he strained a knee ligament against the New York Islanders, Hextall didn't learn of the starting assignment until early Sunday morning when the club arrived from Minneapolis.

Coach Paul Holmgren sidestepped questions about his immediate goaltending plans. Hextall, Pete Peeters and Ken Wregget give the Flyers what Tochett called ''the best goaltending in the league,'' but their collective $1.4 million salary is likely to put Wregget on the trading block.

''Some of the goals against him (Hextall) tonight won't go in when he's sharp '' Holmgren said. ''But his abilities to handle the puck and get it out of the defensive zone gave us a lift.''

Neely had been suspended for a stick-swinging incident against the Hartford Whalers' Randy Ladouceur on Nov. 23. The Bruins went 2-3 in his absence.

''As the game went on I felt a lot better,'' Neely said. ''At the start of the game I was a little anxious, a little excited. Maybe I was trying to do a little bit too much.''

Neely made it 3-0 with his 12th goal at 4:22 of the third. With a penalty

coming up to Buffalo, Neely converted the rebound of a shot off the post through a maze of players from 25 feet.

In the only other NHL game, Calgary downed Edmonton 3-2.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Flames 3, Oilers 2

At Edmonton, Alberta, defenseman Al MacInnis scored two goals and goalie Mike Vernon stopped 24 shots, leading Calgary. MacInnis, leading scorer on the Flames, blasted a pair of slapshots past Oilers goalie Bill Ranford in the second period. His first, at 32 seconds, came on a hard shot from the point that Ranford got a pad on but could not stop. During a powerplay at 13:17, a loose puck went to MacInnis near the blueline, and he beat Ranford cleanly.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

FOOTBALL

LA Raiders at Detroit, 9 p.m.

BASKETBALL

Boston at Houston, 7:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

Quebec at Vancouver, 10:35 p.m.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - Given the choice, Milwaukee Coach Del Harris would like to believe the Bucks' success at home is not coincidence.

''We have a quiet crowd,'' Harris said Sunday night after the Bucks defeated the Seattle SuperSonics 105-99 at the usually serene Bradley Center. ''We don't have a homecourt advantage here. Our guys are just working their tails off.''

Ricky Pierce scored 14 of his 24 points in the fourth quarter and sank two free throws with 10 seconds left to help the Bucks improve their record to 10-0 at home, tying a club record for consecutive victories at the start of a season set in 1984-85.

The Bucks and Detroit, 8-0 at home, are the only NBA teams unbeaten at home.

''We feel we're playing pretty good, but we can play a lot better,'' said Dan Schayes, who had a season-high 17 points.

Derrick McKey, who had 19 points, hit two free throws and Sedale Threatt scored on a layin to bring Seattle, which has lost 12 of 14, within 100-95 with 36 seconds to go.

''We went to the trap late in the game and that got us back into the game somewhat,'' Seattle Coach K.C. Jones said. ''But the damage already had been done.''

Jay Humphries followed with two free throws with 29 seconds left to give the Bucks a 102-95 lead. Shawn Kemp, who had a career-high 31 points, scored on a dunk but Alvin Robertson, who had 19 points, hit a free throw to give the Bucks a 103-97 advantage wih 16 seconds left.

After Kemp scored on another dunk with 12 seconds to go, Pierce hit two free throws to give Milwaukee the victory.

''I'm getting the opportunity to shoot and to get the ball down low,'' Kemp said. ''I have to learn to stay in control and let the game come to me.''

Pierce sparked a 15-4 run to open the fourth quarter by hitting a jumper that gave Milwaukee the lead for good, 73-72. Pierce reeled off 8 points in the streak. Schayes capped it with two free throws with 7:44 left, giving the Bucks an 86-76 lead.

Eddie Johnson, obtained from Phoenix on Friday along with two draft choices for Xavier McDaniel, scored 6 points in his debut with Seattle. Harris returned to the Milwaukee bench after missing Friday night's game at Atlanta due to illness.

In the only other game Sunday night, the LA Lakers held off Washington 106-99.

Lakers 106, Bullets 99

At Inglewood, Calif., James Worthy scored 20 points and Magic Johnson added 19 points and 14 assists to lead Los Angeles to its ninth win in its last 10 games, despite 40 points from Bullets forward Bernard King and 17 rebounds from Washington guard Darrell Walker. The Lakers never trailed from 8 minutes into the game on.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

WASHINGTON (99)

Grant 12-25 1-2 25, King 15-32 9-1 40, Jones 1-2 0-0 2, Walker 4-8 2-4 10, Workman 3-5 2-2 8, Eackles 2-4 3-4 7, Ellison 1-5 1-2 3, Hammonds 1-1 2-2 4. Totals 39-82 20-27 99.

LA LAKERS (106)

Perkins 4-12 2-2 10, Worthy 8-15 4-4 20, Divac 7-14 4-5 18, Johnson 7-15 5-5 19, Scott 6-20 5-6 18, Green 2-7 0-0 4, Thompson 0-0 0-0 0, Teagle 7-13 3-4 17 Drew 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 41-97 23-26 106.

Washington	20	28	26	25	99
LA Lakers	29	31	19	27	106

Three-point goals-Scott, King. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Washington 23, LA Lakers 19. Rebounds-Washington 43 (Walker 17), LA Lakers 56 (Perkins 14). Assists-Washington 26 (Walker 8), LA Lakers 21 (Johnson 14). Technicals-None. A-15,809.

SEATTLE (99)

Kemp 13-18 5-7 31, McKey 5-16 9-11 19, Cage 1-2 0-0 2, Payton 4-8 1-2 9, Threatt 7-10 0-0 14, McMillan 1-3 1-4 4, Polynice 4-9 0-2 8, Johnson 3-7 0-0 6 Barros 3-8 0-0 6, Corzine 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 41-82 16-26 99.

MILWAUKEE (105)

Brickowski 6-8 1-1 13, Roberts 1-4 2-2 4, Sikma 2-8 3-4 7, Humphries 4-12 6-6 15, Robertson 7-11 5-8 19, Schayes 3-6 1-11 7, Lohaus 2-2 0-0 6, Pierce 9-17 6-6 24, Grayer 0-0 0-0 0, Henson 0-0 0-0 0, Anderson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 34-68 34-38 105.

Seattle	28	21	20	27	99
Milwaukee	31	30	28	34	105

Three-point goals-McMillan, Humphries, Lohaus 2. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Seattle 28, Milwaukee 25. Rebounds-Seattle 38 (Kemp, McKey 10), Milwaukee 33 (Robertson 8). Assists-Seattle 24 (Payton, McMillan 6), Milwaukee 21 (Robertson 9). Technicals-none. A-14,327.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - Week 14 of the NFL season clarified the postseason picture in two ways. The New York Giants clinched the NFC East and the Buffalo Bills

secured an AFC playoff berth.

That leaves eight playoff spots - five in the AFC and three in the NFC - unfilled with three weeks remaining in the season. At least 13 teams are in the running for those berths.

The picture could improve after next week, but then again it could become cloudier. That's the NFL for you. Parody at its finest.

The Giants broke a two-game losing streak by defeating the Vikings 23-15 at East Rutherford, N.J. Minnesota, which led for more than three quarters, lost for the first time in six games and fell into a group of four NFC teams struggling for playoff survival at 6-7.

Ottis Anderson scored his second touchdown of the game during a fourth-quarter rally for the Giants, who improved to 11-2 after losses to Philadelphia and San Francisco. Anderson also became the eighth player in NFL history to rush for 10,000 yards.

The Bills made the playoffs for the third straight season by pounding the Colts 31-7 at Indianapolis and improving their AFC-best record to 11-2. Buffalo led the AFC East by one game over Miami.

Buffalo has faded the last couple of Decembers, losing three of its last four games each of the past two seasons. The incentive to earn home-field advantage throughout the conference playoffs should keep Buffalo hungry. But tough games against the Giants, the Dolphins and the Redskins could also produce another late dive.

''This win is a big confidence builder for us,'' Bills linebacker Cornelius Bennett said. ''People count us out in December. The more we win, the more we make them look like a big jackass.''

In other games it was: San Francisco 20, Cincinnati 17 in overtime; Pittsburgh 24, New England 3; Houston 58, Cleveland 14; New Orleans 24, LA Rams 20; Washington 10, Chicago 9; Kansas City 31, Denver 20; Seattle 20, Green Bay 14; Phoenix 24, Atlanta 13; and Miami 23, Philadelphia 20 in overtime. The LA Raiders play at Detroit Monday.

Sunday's results left a three-way tie for first in the AFC Central between Cincinnati, Pittsburgh and Houston (all 7-6). The Redskins, 8-5, took a big step toward securing a wild-card berth, while Seattle and New Orleans kept their postseason hopes alive. Green Bay and the Rams were the big losers. Los Angeles fell to 5-8, while the Packers dipped to 6- 7, a mark shared by Dallas New Orleans and Minnesota.

''I think we proved today we're not ready for that hearse,'' said New Orleans Coach Jim Mora. ''We're not dead. We're still in the hunt.''

-- AROUND THE NFL --

49ers 20, Bengals 17 (ot)

At Cincinnati, Mike Cofer kicked a 23-yard field goal with 57 seconds left in regulation to tie the score and then kicked another 23-yarder 6:12 into overtime. San Francisco, with the best record in the NFL at 12-1 and already NFC West champion, extended its NFL record for consecutive road victories to 17.

Steelers 24, Patriots 3

At Pittsburgh, Merril Hoge scored two touchdowns and led a rejuvenated rushing attack with a career-high 117 yards to help Coach Chuck Noll earn his 200th career victory. Tim Worley added 83 yards as Pittsburgh rushed for 251 yards. The Patriots fell to 1-12.

Oilers 58, Browns 14

At Houston, Lorenzo White scored four touchdowns and Warren Moon threw two TD passes to power an Oilers rout that sent Cleveland to its eighth straight loss. Houston's 58 points set records for both teams - the most scored by the Oilers and the most allowed by the Browns in a regular-season game. Cleveland dropped to 2-11.

Saints 24, Rams 20

At Anaheim, Calif., Steve Walsh passed to Eric Martin for the go- ahead score and New Orleans survived a last-second scare. The game's final play began with the Rams on the New Orleans 9 and no time showing after the Saints were called offside on the previous play. The Rams received a second chance because a game can't end on a defensive penalty, but Jim Everett, under heavy pressure, threw an incompletion.

Redskins 10, Bears 9

At Washington, Chip Lohmiller kicked a 35-yard field goal with 2:14 left and the Redskins overcame Mark Rypien's five interceptions to beat Chicago. The Bears, who have already clinched the NFC Central title, fell to 10-3.

Chiefs 31, Broncos 20

At Kansas City, Mo., Steve DeBerg threw three scoring passes and Barry Word forced his way in for another touchdown to boost the Chiefs to their fourth consecutive victory. Kansas City, 8-4, holds a half game lead in the AFC West, pending the Raiders' game Monday night. Denver, 3- 10, lost its sixth consecutive game and blew a halftime lead for the eighth time this season.

Seahawks 20, Packers 14

At Milwaukee, Derrick Fenner rushed for 112 yards and a touchdown to propel Seattle to its third straight victory. Each of the Seahawks' previous five games were decided on the last play. This game wasn't as tight, but Seattle did see a 20-point lead dwindle to 6 after Blair Kiel relieved Anthony Dilweg in the third quarter and threw two touchdown passes.

Cardinals 24, Falcons 13

At Atlanta, Marcus Turner scored on a 47-yard interception return, the second of three second-half Phoenix interceptions, to lead the Cardinals. Phoenix, 5-8, recorded its third straight victory. Atlanta, 3-10, suffered its sixth straight loss.

Dolphins 23, Eagles 20

At Miami, Pete Stoyanovich kicked a 39-yard field goal 12:32 into overtime to hand the Eagles their second straight loss. The Dolphins' winning drive was set up when Eagles punter Jeff Feagles muffed a low snap and kicked the ball while it was laying on the ground.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

Cheers and happy tears greeted a private plane carrying a load of former hostages to Houston yesterday. Former Texas Governor John Connally helped arrange the freedom flight welcomed by several hundred cheering spectators. The plane carried 19 former hostages, three employees of the U-S Embassy in Kuwait, two other men trapped in Kuwait and seven of their relatives.

Another plane carrying another group of Americans released by Iraq is expected to land in the Washington, D-C, area today. The State Department estimates 175 Americans were on the Iraqi airliner that carried about 300 people to Frankfurt, Germany... where the group is spending the night.

A gas leak is believed to have set off an explosion and fire last night at Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indianapolis. Police say as many as 11 people were injured and many others evacuated from the base which serves as a processing point for Midwest military workers on their way to Saudi Arabia.

The official results from Poland's first popular presidential election will be announced today, with Lech Walesa expected to be named the winner. Exit polls show the founder of the Solidarity trade union took nearly 75 percent of the

vote in Sunday's election.

Israeli curfews confined about one-Million Palestinians to their homes in parts of the occupied territories, while a general strike shut down the rest. But the curfews and work stoppage did NOT prevent violence that killed an Israeli and an Arab on the third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising.

In Washington, visiting Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir is rejecting the idea of an international peace conference on the Arab-Israeli conflict. Shamir says the only way to achieve peace is through negotiation, and- in his words- ''an international conference would only try to impose a solution.''

Chinese Premier Li Peng says a Communist Party meeting this month will focus on the economy... and NOT on the fate of deposed party chief Zhao Ziyang. Zhao has been ''under investigation'' for more than a year. He was ousted in June, allegedly for supporting the 1989 democracy protests.

The Philippine military reports today that at least 21 people were killed in clashes during the weekend between troops and communist rebels. In an encounter yesterday, rebels ambushed troops who were investigating killings 130 miles southeast of Manila.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - The Daily News and nine unions striking the newspaper have agreed to meet with a federal mediator in Washington, D. C., in a last-ditch attempt to reach a settlement to the bitter labor dispute.

Meanwhile, the Tribune Company of Chicago, the paper's corporate parent, was scheduled to hold a quarterly meeting of its board of directors on Monday, The New York Times said.

The strike has taken an unexpected financial toll on the once-robust company. Tens of millions of dollars have been lost and the expense was unexpected, the paper said.

Some Wall Street investment analysts have speculated that the Tribune's 14-member board might decide to cut the company's losses and close the paper, The Times said.

Such a closure would be consistent with the hard-nose style of Charles Brumback, the parent company's chief executive, the paper said.

But several Tribune officials familiar with Brumback's long-range strategy said the fate of the News would likely be decided in the spring, after Brumback has given the paper's publisher, James Hoge, a chance to bring back its advertisers and make it cost-efficient again.

The union was expected to receive a show of support Monday in a rally outside of the newspaper's midtown headquarters, where Roman Catholic Archbishop Cardinal John O'Connor and the Rev. Jesse Jackson were due to appear.

News management and union officials Sunday said they had been asked to meet by the director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliaton Service, Bernard DeLury, in the nation's capital. The meeting was to be arranged on Monday.

''It's our intent to fully and completely cooperate with his request, '' said News spokeswoman Lisa Robinson.

George McDonald, president of the Allied Printing Trades Council, the umbrella group for the nine striking unions, said, ''I feel optimistic that if we can sit down - all nine unions with the publisher and management - and get into common issues, we can make some headway.''

McDonald added, however, that he thinks management will only agree to talk with each union separately in an attempt to lower the strikers' resolve.

Lawyer Theodore Kheel, an advisor to the unions, said he does not think the federal mediation session will take place before Wednesday.

DeLury met informally in Manhattan Wednesday with Newspaper and Mail Deliverers union president Mike Alvino and other union leaders.

Alvino said his union, generally considered the most powerful of the nine striking unions and the first to walk out, was willing to give the News ''relief'' if he was shown areas in which personnel cuts could be made.

On Tuesday, Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, is scheduled to hold hearings in New York on his bill to outlaw the hiring of permanent replacements during strikes.

Meanwhile, more violence was reported early Sunday as more than a dozen trucks were set on fire or vandalized at a Bronx paper company that delivers large rolls of paper to the strikebound tabloid, police said.

There were no injuries, and officers made no arrests.

Nine Daily News unions struck the paper, once the nation's largest circulation tabloid, starting Oct. 25. The bitter walkout has been marred by violence and more than 125 arrests.

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WARSAW, Poland (DEC. 10) UPI - Lech Walesa, who doggedly led the Solidarity

trade union in a decadelong battle that ended communist rule, won Poland's first popular presidential election with 73.25 percent of the vote, unofficial results showed Monday.

The State Election Commission said emigre Canadian businessman Stanislaw Tyminski, who upset Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki in the election's first round Nov. 25, took 26.75 percent in the election Sunday.

The commission said 9.7 million Poles cast ballots for Walesa and 3.5 million for the dark-horse candidate Tyminski as the presidential contest that has split the Solidarity movement came to an end.

The official results were to be released Monday afternoon, the commission said.

Some 27.5 million Poles were eligible to vote in the runoff, but it appeared the turnout was lower than the 61 percent showing on Nov. 25.

The winner of the presidential election will replace former Communist Party leader Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, the architect of martial law that attempted to crush Solidarity in 1981.

Jaruzelski stepped down one year into a six-year-term because of growing social pressure in the fledgling democracy that began coming to life last year as communism crumbled in Eastern Europe.

Computer projections based on exit polls were released Sunday evening showing Walesa had won overwhelmingly. Some 5,000 cheering supporters chanting, ''Lech Walesa, Lech Walesa'' and waving Polish flags, balloons and torches gathered on the crisp wintry night outside his campaign headquarters in the Baltic seaport of Gdansk.

''I want to be your biggest servant, not your president,'' he said in a brief address out a window, waving and giving the familiar ''V-for- victory'' Solidarity salute.

Tyminski said late Sunday he would protest the election results on the grounds that trade union leader's supporters conducted a fear campaign.

''There's been a lot of violence,'' Tyminski said. ''Even some of my friends did not want to know me before these elections because of the fears of the ax of Mr. Walesa.''

The two rounds of elections were the first wholly free balloting in Poland since before World War II. Parliamentary elections were held in June 1989 that eventually swept Solidarity into office, but the voting was only partially free.

Walesa's months-long campaign to replace Jaruzelski has split Solidarity into

two opposing camps of Walesa supporters and Mazowiecki supporters.

When Mazowiecki felt forced to run against Walesa to defend his program, he failed to realize the depth of public resentment against his economic stabilization policies, which has dropped the standard of living nearly 40 percent in his 14 months in office.

Tyminski, dubbed ''the man from nowhere,'' returned to Poland in September after 21 years to run for the nation's highest office.

His surprise showing in the first round was attributed to voter dissatisfaction with Mazowiecki's policies and with the fight within Solidarity, which for nearly a decade had been united in its opposition to the Communist Party.

Tyminski was hurt in the second round by revelations his campaign organization included many former communist elite and secret police, and his popularity slid dramatically in the final week of the campaign according to opinion polls.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - Hundreds of Westerners, including nearly 200 Americans, left Iraq and Kuwait over the weekend after Saddam Hussein's decision to free all hostages. The State Department said last week about 750 Americans were hostage or trapped in Kuwait and Iraq.

Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze meet in Houston today to prepare for a summit. The Persian Gulf crisis will be important in their talks.

Computer projections show Solidarity founder Lech Walesa has won about 75 percent of the vote for Polish president. His opponent in yesterday's election was Stanislaw Tyminski.

Space agency managers will decide today whether threatening weather over the Mojave Desert in California means the shuttle Columbia will have to land today. It is scheduled to land tomorrow.

President Bush canceled a television taping appearance last night. A White House spokesman said Bush became tired after playing tennis, but is not seriously ill. Bush has had a busy travel schedule lately.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - Space agency managers are expected to decide this morning whether to bring the shuttle Columbia back today or let it remain in space

until its scheduled landing time tomorrow. The problem is increasingly bad weather in the landing site in the Mojave Desert in California. High winds and rain are expected tomorrow. The astronauts have overcome their problem with a balky toilet tank, something that also had threatened an early return.

President Bush's busy schedule finally got to him yesterday and he took a rest. Bush has been on the go for six weeks. Early last month he campaigned for fellow Republicans. Then he visited Europe and the Middle East. This month he visited South America, getting back Saturday. Yesterday Bush played tennis and a spokesman said he wasn't feeling well. He canceled plans to tape a television Christmas show last night.

Two Philippines labor leaders were killed today when rebels burst into a workers' meeting near Manila and opened fire. A third labor figure was wounded. Police said one of the slain labor leaders was a former leader of the Philippines' Communist Party. The Philippines military reports that 21 people were killed during the weekend in clashes between the army and communist guerrillas.

Exit surveys show Polish voters picked Lech Walesa for president overwhelmingly in yesterday's run-off election. The second candidate, Stanislaw Tyminski, was getting only about 25 percent of the vote. He was hurt by disclosures that prominent former communists and secret police were active in his campaign organization.

An explosion and fire at an Army housing area at Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indianapolis, Indiana, injured 11 people last night, most of them from burns. Officials believe a gas leak was responsible. Soldiers were evacuated from the area. The fort is used for processing Midwest military personnel en route to join the Operation Desert Shield force.

Wrestler turned actor Mike Mazurki died yesterday in a Glendale, California, hospital. His age was listed as either 80 or 82. Mazurki was a professional heavyweight wrestler through the 1930s. A movie director spotted him and hired him for the 1941 film ''The Shanghai Gesture.'' He appeared in 150 films, including ''Some Like it Hot'' and ''A Pocketful of Miracles.''

Authorities in Boynton Beach, Florida, have charged three people in a strange case they call ''the couch potato murder.'' They say a man was shot to death by his family because he was grouchy and watched television most of the time. The man's wife, his 15-year-old daughter and the girl's boyfriend have been charged. The daughter told police- ''I didn't really want him dead. I just wanted him to stop being miserable.''

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(DEC. 10) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerqu sy	55	26	....
Anchorage sn	20	05	.03
Asheville sy	55	34	....
Atlanta sy	60	37	....
Baltimore sy	51	34	....
Billings sy	66	48	....
Birminghm sy	61	29	....
Bismarck pc	52	27	....
Boston pc	47	39	....
Brownsvill sy	73	41	....
Buffalo pc	47	40	....
Brlngtn Vt. w	42	37	....
Chrlstn S.C. sy	53	39	....
Charlotte sy	60	32	....
Chicago sy	55	30	....
Cincinnati sy	52	36	....
Cleveland sy	51	38	....
Colmbs Oh sy	49	31	....
Dallas sy	69	36	....
Denver sy	62	35	....
Des Moines sy	51	30	....
Detroit pc	53	36	....
Duluth sy	--	-	....
El Paso sy	62	23	....
Evansville sy	59	34	....
Fargo pc	56	26	....
Hartford pc	46	34	....
Honolulu sy	80	72	....
Houston sy	66	37	....
Indianapols sy	54	33	....
Jcksn Mss. sy	65	30	....
Jacksonvill sy	63	32	....
Kansas Cty sy	64	31	....
Las Vegas f	63	35	....
Little Rock sy	67	47	....
Los Angels sy	78	51	....
Louisville sy	57	39	....
Memphis sy	64	36	....
Miami Bch pc	69	55	....
Milwaukee pc	47	36	....
Minneapols pc	51	26	....
Nashville sy	61	32	....
New Orlns sy	63	36	....
New York pc	49	41	....
Oklahm Cty c	68	36	....
Omaha sy	53	26	....

Orlando sy	65	46	....
Philadelphi sy	49	39	....
Phoenix sy	79	48	....
Pittsburgh mc	47	36	....
Portlnd M. pc	44	32	....
Portland Or. r	51	46	.63
Providence pc	46	33	....
Richmond sy	53	32	....
St. Louis sy	65	43	....
Salt Lk Cty hz	46	21	....
San Antoni sy	67	35	....
San Diego sy	76	47	....
San Frncsc cy	67	51	....
San Juan pc	81	69	.04
Seattle r	50	45	.26
Spokane r	43	40	.46
Tampa mm	mm	mm	....
Washington sy	53	36	....
Wichita sy	62	30	....

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cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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(DEC. 10) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker opens a meeting today in Houston today with his Soviet counterpart, Eduard Shevardnadze. They will lay the groundwork for a summit between President Bush and Mikhail Gorbachev.

The shuttle Columbia and its seven astronauts may touch down today in the California desert- a day early. Winds and rain are expected at the scheduled landing time tomorrow. The space agency will decide this morning.

A five-year-old girl is missing after a gas explosion and fire in a housing area at the Army's Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indianapolis, Indiana. Seven people were critically injured.

The State Department says about 540 Americans are left in Kuwait and Iraq. That's about 210 fewer than last week. The first Westerners to be freed under Saddam Hussein's order flew out over the weekend.

OPEC's oil ministers hold their year-end meeting Wednesday in Vienna. But with the Persian Gulf crisis, OPEC has little control over oil production and prices. U-S observers say they are meeting just to show OPEC still exists.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir says a U-N conference on Palestine is NOT the way to solve the problem. Shamir says an international conference will try to impose a solution. He wants negotiations involving two parties.

New York City's private garbage collectors struck yesterday over wages. The collectors pick up about 40 percent of the city's trash. A Teamsters' official says the workers will stay out until they get ''a fair offer.''

Gas prices remained steady over the last three weeks. The Lundberg survey says the average price was one dollar 46 cents. But that's the pump price which includes a new five-cent tax, so sales prices actually have fallen.

The Philippines energy board reduced gasoline prices today. Higher prices caused by the gulf crisis had outraged Filipinos. President Corazon Aquino also fired her chief aide who was responsible for energy policy.

Chinese Premier Li Peng says a Communist Party meeting this month will NOT consider the fate of ousted party chief Zhao Ziyang. Li says the only issue at the meeting witll be China's economy.

The New York Daily News and nine striking newspaper will meet with a federal mediator in Washington to try to solve the dispute. The strike began October 25th and has been marred by violence and more than 125 arrests.

Federal officials say a man was killed by a polar bear in northwest Alaska Saturday. The officials say it is the only known case in recent history. The man was strolling with his girlfriend when the bear attacked unprovoked.

Actor Mike Mazurki, a former wrestler whose mashed face made him ideal for gangster roles, died yesterday in Glendale, California. He was in his 80s. Mazurki's films included ''Some Like It Hot'' and ''Requiem for a Heavyweight.''

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(DEC. 10) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed higher for the fourth straight session in slow trading Monday, buoyed by prospects for lower interest rates in the United States and the Japanese yen's rise against the dollar.

The key Nikkei Stock Average of 225 selected issues, which gained 969.39 points Friday, added another 262.18 points to 23,784.67.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Price Index of all listed major issues gained 16.68 points to 1,757.02.

Advances outnumbered declines 755 to 209, while 117 issues remained unchanged.

An estimated 400 million shares changed hands, down from 588 million shares Friday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices slipped in active trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as the market consolidated after a 5 percent gain last week.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index shed 14.56 points to 3,149.13. The loss followed a gain of 36.90 points Friday and broke a five day rally that boosted the market more than 198.00 points.

Among the narrower indexes, financials shed 21.00 points, utilities fell 27.53 properties dropped 43.21 and industrials sank 22.16 points.

Volume amounted to 961 million shares, down from 1.59 billion Friday.

In Singapore, stock prices on the Singapore Stock Exchange retreated across the board as profit-takers moved in following last week's rally sparked by prospects of a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which jumped 44.65 points Friday, fell 17.98 points to 1,179.87 while the broader-based All Singapore Index fell 4.83 points to 327.15.

Volume amounted to about an estimated 44.2 million shares, well below the 121.2 million Friday.

Elsewhere around the region, banks, businesses and financial centers in Bangkok, Thailand were closed for Constitution Day. Trading will resume Tuesday.

In Australia, stocks closed lower on the Sydney Sharemarket in the wake of recession fears in the United States.

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CINCINNATI (DEC. 10) UPI - Paul Brown, 82, general manager and founder of the Cincinnati Bengals, was in fair condition Monday at Christ Hospital where he was admitted for treatment of a blood clot in his leg.

Brown, who missed the Bengals loss to San Francisco Sunday, the first game he has missed in the 22-year history of the franchise, may be released early this week, said Dr. Robert Heidt Jr., Bengals team physician.

''Paul doesn't want to discuss this with the media, but he said it was all right to release the information that he had a blood clot in the leg,'' said Heidt. ''It's not an unusual condition in older people.

''There was no pain, just some swelling,'' he said. '' What you do in a situation like this is to put the person to bed for a few days and give them some medication. The clot disappears and it's over. Overall, he is in excellent health.''

Assistant General Manager Mike Brown said his father was admitted to the hospital late last week.

''He's doing fine,'' said Brown. ''He'll be out of the hospital in a day or so. His condition is good and we don't think there's anything to worry about.''

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#90344u0634 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 10) UPI - A Japanese television reporter and two Soviet cosmonauts landed safely this morning in a snow-covered field in Asia. They descended in a Soyuz space capsule. The reporter had been in space for eight days. The cosmonauts were on the Mir space station since August.

National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft says Iraq is ''playing games'' in setting a date for talks with the United States. Scowcraft said on a television appearance the January 12th date proposed by Iraq is too late. An Iraqi official replied that another date can be picked.

A five-year-old girl is missing at Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indiana after a gas explosion and fire in an Army housing area. The girl is the daughter of a serviceman stationed at the base. Seven people were critically injured. The base processes soldiers going to the Persian Gulf, but NONE of these troops were affected.

The New York Daily News, nine striking unions and a federal mediator are arranging a meeting in Washington to try to settle the dispute. The strike has lasted since October 25th. The New York Times says the board of directors of the News' owner, the Tribune Company, meets tomorrow. It quotes analysts as

speculating it may close the paper.

Jurors in the Central Park jogger trial asked questions yesterday about how a defendant was treated between making two videotaped statements. They also asked how much time passed between the two. In the first statement, defendant Kharey Wise said he witnessed an attack on a woman. In the second, he admitted taking part himself.

Two leaders of a Philippines workers' group were killed today by gunmen who burst into a workers' meeting near Manila. Another labor leader was wounded. About 200 workers attending a labor seminar saw the attack. Police could NOT identify the gunmen. They say one slain man was a former communist official.

An Israeli soldier on patrol in the West Bank town of Bethlehem was killed last night when two homemade bombs exploded. The occupied areas were tense because of teh third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising. A Palestinian was shot and killed in a confrontation with soldiers in the Gaza Strip.

Pop singer-dancer Paula Abdul suffered back and neck pain yesterday in a minor traffic accident in Los Angeles. Police say her car ran into a car in front of her and that car hit another. Abdul is a former Los Angeles Lakers cheerleader who became a singer and dancer.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - A cold front creeping down from the Great Lakes brought cooler temperatures to the Midwest and parts of the South Monday while Oregon had 2 inches of rain.

Pleasant weather again prevailed in the Rocky Mountain area, where temperatures were expected to range as high as the 70s in Colorado, but wintery weather was expected in Montana by midweek.

Rain continued to fall in parts of Oregon through the night as a slow-moving cold front pushed into the valleys in the western part of the state. The town of Brookings had 2 inches of rain a 24-hour period and Eugene had 1 1/2 inches.

Windy, colder weather was destined for New England, where temperatures were expected to fall into the teens and 20s, and parts of the Midwest. A weak cold front stretched from eastern Nebraska through southern Iowa and into central Illinois in the morning, pushing out mild air and keeping high temperatures in Iowa in the 30s and 40s.

Indiana Kentucky, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, the Carolinas also were due for cooling temperatures as the front moved down from the Great Lakes but no precipitation was expected.

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#90344u0645 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for December 7: Purchases of 499,106 shares and sales of 644,412 shares including 16,120 shares sold short.

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#90344u0657 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (DEC. 10) UPI - Mitsubishi Trust and Banking Corp. said Monday it will raise its short-term prime lending rate Wednesday to keep pace with rising interest rates and fund raising costs on the money market.

The commercial bank said the annual interest rate on its loans of less than one year will be raised 0.25 percentage points to 8.25 percent.

The prime rate is an interest rate charged by commercial banks on their loans to most creditworthy customers.

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#90344u0664 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (DEC. 10) UPI - The Japanese Parliament, or Diet, which opened Monday, is expected to pass an amendment extending copyright protection to foreign records and compact discs.

The Copyright Council of the Education Ministry issued a report Nov. 30 proposing an amendment to the Copyright Law which would extend copyright protection to foreign-made records released since 1968.

The amendement is almost certain to be adopted by the Diet, said Kunio Yamashita, assistant director general of the Japan Phonograph Record Association.

The proposed amendment would give copyright protection to all recordings of foreign artists made since 1968.

In recent years there has been a boom in Japanese sales of bootleg compact discs and tapes of foreign artists made from recordings pressed outside of Japan, said the report by the Copyright Council.

The current law only protects records and discs of foreign artists if they were pressed in Japan and only those made since 1978, the report said.

Under the current law it is legal to make and sell copies of foreign- pressed records without paying the artist, composer or foreign record company.

The bootleg discs sell for less than half the price of imported discs and foreign discs produced under license by Japanese record companies.

The amendment will also include a provision requiring the payment of royalties to foreign artists, composers and record companies for the rental of records, tapes and discs.

Most Japanese video rental shops also rent compact discs, but are not required under the current law to pay royalties for those rentals unless the record was made by a Japanese company, the report said.

The United States has been pushing Japan to extend copyright protection to foreign recordings.

U.S. officials praised the proposed amendment, saying it addresses most of their concerns.

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#90344u0674 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (DEC. 10) UPI - Reputed New England mob boss Raymond ''Junior'' Patriarca says an alleged Mafia induction rite held last year should have been off limits to investigators, just as a meeting of the NAACP or the Hell's Angels would be.

Patriarca has asked a federal court to bar a government tape of the meeting from being introduced as evidence at his racketeering trial. The reputed mobster contended that the tape violated his constitutional rights to free association.

''The interception of six hours of conversations at an alleged 'La Cosa Nostra' indoctrination ceremony constituted an intolerable intrusion into a core area of First Amendment protection,'' Patriarca said in pretrial motion filed recently.

Patriarca, 46, of Lincoln, R.I., did not admit belonging to La Cosa Nostra, if such an organization ''indeed exists.'' He said, however, that even if he did belong the government has acknowledged that would not be a crime in and of itself.

Patriarca argued that organizations, no matter how unpopular, have the right to assemble and associate freely. The courts have upheld the right by limiting information that was collected on groups such as the NAACP and the Hell's Angels, he said.

Even if La Cosa Nostra were portrayed at its worst, the group would ''pale in comparison'' to ones such as the Ku Klux Klan and the Nazi Party, the reputed

mob boss said. Patriarca said the KKK and Nazis are ''far more heinous'' than the Mafia ''yet unquestionably protected organizations.''

Vincent Blasi, a professor of First Amendment law at Columbia University, said in Monday's Providence Journal-Bulletin that Patriarca's claim is not necessarily without merit. He added, however, that the government can defend its surveillance if it shows it had reason to believe it would gain criminal evidence.

Floyd Abrams, a New York lawyer specializing in First Amendment issues, said Patriarca's challenge has a certain ''charm'' but added that the right to free association was never intended to be a shield for criminal activity.

John Voorhees, a former federal prosecutor of organized crime, said the First Amendment gives La Cosa Nostra, the Nazi Party, and the KKK the right to ''march down the street'' but not the right to break the law.

The alleged Mafia induction rite occurred Oct. 29, 1989, at a home in Medford, Mass. Investigators said it was a highly secret blood oath in which inductees promised to kill anyone who threatened La Cosa Nostra or its members.

Patriarca was arrested in March along with 21 other reputed mobsters in New England. He is being held without bail.

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#90344u0713 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 10) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker opens a two-day meeting in Houston today with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze to prepare for a summit meeting. The Soviet news agency Tass says the talks are in Houston to keep them ''far from the madding crowds.'' Tass says the meeting will include regional problems, which includes the gulf crisis. The United States and Soviet Union are in close agreement on policy.

Hundreds of Westerners, including some Americans, got out of Iraq and Kuwait over the weekend. They were the first to leave after Saddam Hussein ordered an end to keeping them hostage. Yesterday the Voice of America fadvised U-S citizens in occupied Kuwait to go to the airport to board a flight to Frankfurt, Germany. The State Department says about 540 Americans are left in Iraq and Kuwait- compared to 750 last week.

Japanese television journalist Toyohiro Akiyama, whose employer paid 12-Million dollars to send him into space, returned to earth today in a Soviet Soyuz space capsule. Two Soviet cosmonauts who were on the Mir space station since August were with him. Akiyama was a chain smoker who quit cold turkey so he could make the space trip. From space he said the first thing he wanted when he returned was a cigarette.

The Soviet newspaper Pravda says although Moscow grocery shelves are bare, 300 railroad cars full of food are standing in freight yards in Moscow. Pravda said there is a shortage of trucks and drivers- NOT food and other consumer goods. The food includes 101 cars with meat sent from abroad. On Saturday, Moscow's deputy mayor said the food shortage is so critical some Soviet cities will need foreign economic help at least until spring.

It's still NOT official but Poland's election commission says Solidarity leader Lech Walesa has been elected president. The other candidate in yesterday's run-off, Stanislaw Tyminski, got only about 27 percent of the vote. Official results will be announced later today. The winner replaces former Communist Party leader Wojciech Jaruzelski.

At least 17 people were hurt, six critically, in a gas explosion last night in an apartment complex at an army base in Indianapolis, Indiana. A five-year-old girl whose father is stationed at Fort Benjamin Harrison is missing. A building containing ;four apartments burned to the ground and a nearby building was damaged. A gas leak was detected earlier and people began evacuating the area before the blast.

Libby Averyt, a reporter for the Corpus Christi, Texas, Caller-Times, was freed from jail last night. She was jailed Friday when she refused to answer questions about an interview with a murder suspect. Averyt was let go when the parties involved agreed to drop contempt proceedings. A defense lawyer wanted information she had NOT published.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Dec. 10:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	39	04
Amsterdam cy	1pm	36	02
Ankara cy	3pm	44	07
Athens pc	2pm	63	17
Auckland cy	12m	66	19
Beijing c	8pm	22	-05
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin r	1pm	35	01
Bonn cy	1pm	35	01
Brussels r	1pm	32	00
Cairo c	2pm	70	21
Casablnc pc	12n	56	13
Copnhgn cy	1pm	39	04
Dakar c	12n	80	26

Dublin c	1pm	41	05
Geneva cy	1pm	33	01
Helsinki cy	2pm	30	00
Hong Kng c	8pm	71	22
Jerusalem c	2pm	64	18
Karachi c	5pm	79	26
Lisbon r	1pm	51	10
London cy	1pm	45	07
Madrid pc	1pm	44	06
Malta c	1pm	59	15
Manila c	8pm	82	28
Moscow cy	3pm	24	-04
Nairobi m	3pm	mm	mm
Nassau pc	7am	70	21
New Delhi c	6pm	72	22
Nice c	1pm	43	06
Oslo c	1pm	28	-02
Paris s	1pm	33	00
Pretoria r	2pm	84	29
Riyadh m	3pm	84	28
Rome pc	1pm	53	12
Seoul cy	9pm	46	07
Sofia cy	2pm	41	05
Stockhlm dr	1pm	35	02
Sydney cy	10pm	64	17
Taipei c	8pm	73	22
Tokyo hz	9pm	58	14
Tunis pc	1pm	54	12
Vienna cy	1pm	39	mm
Warsaw m	1pm	mm	mm

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	67	19
Caracas pc	8am	64	17
Havana c	7am	65	18
Lima cy	7am	64	17
Mexico City hz	6am	40	04
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	77	25
Santiago cy	8am	58	14

Canada

Calgary cy	37	03
Edmonton cy	33	00
Montreal c	41	05
Ottawa pc	40	04
Regina s	37	02
Toronto pc	46	08
Vancouver cy	47	08

Winnipeg cy 41 05

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

-30- 2481

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PARIS (DEC. 10) UPI - Heavy snow triggered a rockslide that crushed a carful of skiers returning from a weekend alpine run, killing two and injuring three in a wintry blast that struck much of France, officials said Monday.

Another motorist was killed on an icy road in a separate accident, more than 100,000 homes lost electrical power, and some train service was canceled.

Firemen said two skiers were killed and three others injured when heavy snow set off a rockslide close to the French-Italian border in the southeast corner of France, crushing their car as they returned from the weekend Alpine jaunt.

The three injured were taken to a hospital at Bordighera, Italy, for treatment following the accident Sunday night between Breil-sur-Roya and Vintimille, said the firefighters.

All five were French citizens. They were still wearing their skiing clothes when the rocks rumbled down onto their Toyota automobile. The dead were a young man and a young woman sitting in the back seat of the vehicle.

At Val-de-Vesle, in the Marne area near the city of Reims in northeast France, a motorist's car skidded on an icy highway and slammed into a tree, killing him instantly, police said.

Some 140,000 homes remained without electricity in the Rhone-Alpes region following the inclement weekend weather.

Three high-speed TGV trains scheduled to travel from Paris to Geneva, Chambery and Annecy were canceled Monday morning.

The Mont Blanc tunnel was closed to motorists as were the Alpine Lyon to Grenoble and Lyon to Chambery routes.

But ski station managers were jubilant at the early snowfall, which they said would assure them booming Christmas business.

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#90344u0837 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 10) UPI - The hostage ordeal is finally ending for nearly 200 Americans and hundreds of other Westerners just freed by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. U-S officials say a U-S-chartered Iraqi airliner carrying about 175 Americans is due to land at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington, D-C, this afternoon. The jetliner arrived in Frankfurt, Germany, last night from Baghdad.

Secretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze sit down for face-to-face talks today in Houston, Texas. Topping the agenda will be the Persian Gulf crisis and the dates of a superpower summit. A proposed January date for the next meeting between President Bush and Soviet President Gorbachev will most likely have to be changed because of high- level diplomacy to get Iraq to leave Kuwait.

Wholesale gasoline prices have come down but motorists woN'T find any difference at the pump. They've gone down just as federal taxes placed on gasoline head up. The latest national Lundburg Survey of 13-thousand gasoline stations shows average prices almost unchanged from three weeks ago at one dollar 46 cents a gallon. That includes the five cent a gallon increase in federal taxes, meaning that actual wholesale prices have come down.

In the Philippines, President Corazon Aquino today sacked her chief aide. Executive Secretary Catalino Macaraig handled the country's energy affairs and has been blamed for the government's failure to cope with the oil crunch brought on by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Meanwhile, the energy board, in a bid to appease outraged Filipinos, eased its steep hikes last week in gasoline prices. The board had more than doubled gas prices with two hefty increases in two days.

Alleged New England mob chief Raymond Patriarca is asking a federal court to keep the government from introducing a tape of an alleged Mafia induction rite at his trial. The 46-year-old Patriarca says the recording of the six-hour meeting violates his constitutional right of free association. Patriarca denies belonging to any crime organization and says that even if he did that would NOT be a crime in and of itself.

One more attempt is being made at ending the bitter labor dispute against the New York Daily News. It comes even as board members of the corporate parent plan to hold a quarterly meeting tomorrow. Some Wall Street analysts speculate the board might decide to cut its losses and close what was once the largest

circulation tabloid in the nation. The Daily News was hit October 25th by a strike of nine major unions. The unions and company representatives are to meet today with a fedral mediator in Washington.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 10) UPI - Domestic drilling increased slightly last week, while offshore drilling declined in most areas, industry monitors reported.

A total of 1,179 rotary rigs were working in the United States last week, compared with 1,175 the week before and 1,058 the same week a year ago, Baker Hughes Inc. said Sunday.

In the Gulf of Mexico, two fewer rigs were working than the week before and one rig was moved to the North Sea, Offshore Data Services reported. The change left 149 of the 211 mobile offshore drilling units under contract, for a utilization rate of 70.6 percent.

At 211 rigs, the Gulf of Mexico drilling fleet is smaller today than at any time since mid-1983, ODS said. The gulf fleet peaked at 257 in the summer of 1985.

''The fleet downsizing has occurred due to the oil price collapse in 1986 and the trend for oil companies to move their exploration and production activities oversease,'' ODS said.

The company said up to 10 more rigs may leave the area in the coming months. Despite its shrinking fleet size, Gulf of Mexico rig utilization remains substantially lower than other areas of the world, ODS said.

In European waters, the number of working rigs dropped by one to 127 out of a fleet of 138, for a utilization rate of 92 percent.

Worldwide, 556 rigs were under contract, three less than a week ago, for a utilization rate of 83.2 percent.

Other relevant rig counts included Louisiana, 151 rigs last week, 158 the week before and 166 the same week a year ago; New Mexico, 65, 68 and 47; Oklahoma, 147, 153 and 149; Texas, 432, 418 and 342; and Canada, 187, 189 and 165.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $373.50, silver base of $4.09 and platinum price of $419.50:

	Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$388.90	387.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	199.60	198.70
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	102.50	102.10
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.40	42.20
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	388.90	387.20
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	199.60	198.70
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	103.00	102.60
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.40	42.20
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	395.20	383.40
China Panda .50 troy oz.	203.60	202.70
China Panda .25 troy oz.	105.60	105.10
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	45.60	45.40
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.20	27.10
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	389.10	387.30
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	199.80	197.90
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	100.50	100.00
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.30	43.10
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	387.90	385.80
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	200.90	199.80
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	103.10	102.60
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	43.90	43.70
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	387.80	385.00
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	199.40	197.90
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	85.60	85.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.30	44.00
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.70	23.50
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.50	$5.55
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,150	$3,180
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,325	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	435.00	441.00
Isle of Man Noble	432.00	438.00
Canada Maple Leaf	444.00	449.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90344u0870 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

PONTIAC, Mich. (DEC. 10) UPI - An attorney for the retired pathologist charged with murder for helping an Oregon woman commit suicide plans to file a two-part motion seeking to quash charges against his client.

Geoffrey Fieger said the actions of Dr. Jack Kevorkian in helping Janet Adkins take her own life June 4 were not a crime under Michigan law. He said Oakland County Prosecutor Richard Thompson is guilty of misconduct that has deprived Kevorkian of his right to a fair trial.

Fieger's motion was expected to be heard Wednesday by Oakland County Circuit Judge Gerald McNally.

Kevorkian has acknowledged that he helped attached Adkins, who suffered from Alzheimer's disease, to the ''suicide machine'' that he invented. Adkins activated the machine by pushing a button that released a fatal poison into her system.

The case sparked a national debate over medical ethics and the right to die.

Thompson filed a civil action to block Kevorkian from using his machine again and last week announced criminal charges.

Fieger said the murder charge is inappropriate because ''facilitating suicide is not a crime'' in Michigan. He said the medical examiner's autopsy report on Adkins said she died by her own hand.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday agreed to decide if a journalist promising confidentiality in exchange for information has entered into a legally binding agreement with a news source.

The court will decide whether Minnesota's two largest newspapers, the Star Tribune of Minneapolis and the St. Paul Pioneer Press Dispatch, are liable for damages for reneging on a 1982 agreement made with a source.

At issue is whether the First Amendment can be used to uphold such actions on the one hand, while remaining the basis for the traditional claim by reporters that a pact with a source is sacrosanct and cannot be compromised even by a court order.

In the waning days of Minnesota's 1982 gubernatorial race, the newspapers obtained information about Democratic lieutenant governor candidate Marlene Johnson involving legal troubles from a dozen years earlier. The tip came from Dan Cohen, then working for Wheelock Whitney, the Republican candidate for governor.

Cohen gave the information to a political reporter from each newspaper, but only after they agreed not to use his name in connection with the information or ask where he obtained it.

However, the newspapers published information about Johnson's past the next day and identified Cohen as its source.

Cohen, a former president of the Minneapolis City Council, was fired from his job with an advertising firm that day, and the Star Tribune, in a column and through an editorial cartoon, criticized him for supplying the ''last minute campaign smears.''

Cohen sued the newspapers for breach of contract and misrepresentation, and a jury awarded him $200,000 in compensatory damages and $500,000 in punitive damages.

The Minnesota Court of Appeals struck down the misrepresentation finding and the $500,000 punitive damages award, but upheld the verdict of breach of contract and the compensatory damages.

By a 4-2 vote, the Minnesota Supreme Court reversed the $200,000 compensatory damages award as well, ruling that the newspapers' actions were protected fully by the constitutional guarantee of freedom of the press.

In his appeal to the Supreme Court, Cohen's attorney wrote that the case ''presents explicitly the question of whether the First Amendment permits a media organization to deliberately violate an undisputed and unambiguous promise of confidentiality.''

The newspapers contend the events surrounding the incident were extraordinary, and argued the case poses no risk to the confidentiality of news sources in general.

A reporter for the Star Tribune, investigating Johnson's court records the day of the Cohen tip, found they had lain dormant for years before being scanned by a Whitney supporter the day before.

That supporter, when contacted by the reporter, said he had reviewed the records ''for Dan Cohen.''

The newpapers also learned Johnson's criminal past consisted of a 1969 arrest for unlawful assembly for protesting the city's alleged failure to hire minority workers on construction projects, a charge that was later dismissed, and a 1970 petit theft conviction, vacated a year later, for leaving a store with $6 in sewing materials.

Editors for the Star Tribune, noting a need to present balanced political coverage, decided to publish Cohen's name and identify him as the source of

the information. Pioneer Press Dispatch editors reached the same decision independently.

The Minnesota Supreme Court found that a journalist-source pact clearly is more of a clandestine ''I'll-scratch-your-back-if-you'll- scratch-mine'' accommodation than a legal contract.

The court also rejected the contention that the legal doctrine of promissory estoppel - which equates a promise to a contract - applied.

''The potentiality for civil damages for promises made in this context chills public debate, a debate which Cohen willingly entered albeit hoping to do so on his own terms,'' wrote Minnesota's highest court. ''In this context, and considering the nature of the political story involved, it seems to us that the law best leave the parties here to their trust in each other.''

In a dissenting opinion, Justice Lawrence Yetka called the majority decision ''deplorable.''

''The result of this is to carve out yet another special privilege in favor of the press that is denied other citizens,'' wrote Yetka. ''It is unconscionable to allow the press, on the one hand, to hide behind the shield of confidentiality when it does not want to reveal the source of its information; yet, on the other hand, to violate confidentiality agreements with impunity when it decides that disclosing the source will help make its story more sensational and profitable.''

A decision in the case is expected sometime next year.

90-634 Dan Cohen vs. Cowles Media Co., d/b/a Minneapolis Star and Tribune Co., et al.

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#90344u0910 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

INDIANAPOLIS (DEC. 10) UPI - Searchers Monday found the body of a 5-year-old girl in the rubble of an apartment building leveled in an explosion and fire that also injured 17 people at Fort Benjamin Harrison.

The blaze began about 9:20 p.m. Sunday as firefighters and utility workers were investigating a natural gas leak in the Harrison Village housing development.

The girl had been listed as missing until her remains were found Monday morning. Sgt. Maj. Ken Harley of the fort's public information office said the victim was the daughter of one of the men injured in the blast. The father was released after hospital treatment, Harley said.

The girl lived in the apartment with her family, Harley said.

Army spokesmen said the blast injured at least 17 people, seven of them critically burned. Hospital officials later downgraded the severity of some patients' injuries to serious. Another 10 people were treated at Hawley Army Community Hospital on the post and released.

Harrison Village is family housing quarters for enlisted soldiers assigned to Fort Harrison, not for any reserve or national guard forces called up for Operation Desert Shield. The development's 210 families were immediately evacuated following the explosion. They were housed overnight in other military housing on post and in area motels.

The flames burned one four-unit apartment building to the ground and slightly damaged an identical one nearby.

Firefighters fought two hours to contain the blaze.

Lawrence Mayor Thomas Schneider said investigation of a possible gas leak had begun about 7 p.m. and people had begun evacuating the area before the blast occurred.

An Army spokesman said Citizens Gas & Coke Utilty workers had gone to the complex about 7 p.m. and had shut down two lines in the area of a suspected gas leak a block away from where the explosion later occurred.

There are 240 apartment units in the 60 buildings of the complex, each building having two ground-floor and two second-story units.

About 1,400 Army Reservists and National Guardsmen are housed elsewhere on the base.

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#90344u0925 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday refused to grant an emergency appeal that would have halted a Jan. 22 special election in Los Angeles County meant to help remedy years of voting discrimination against Hispanic residents.

The court did not announce whether it will hear a requested appeal on the merits of the case, and could still decide to take the case when it returns from its holiday recess early next month.

The county wants the court to review a decision that it must change its voting precincts to facilitate the election of a Hispanic to the five-member Board of Supervisors, even though more than half of the county's Hispanic adults cannot vote.

The court is being asked to decide if the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals was correct when it ruled the Voting Rights Act of 1965 requires immediate redrawing of one district to correct discrimination problems dating back decades.

The 9th Circuit and a federal district court specifically found the last redistricting plan adopted in 1981 fragmented the Hispanic community, violating both the Voting Rights Act and the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment.

The election of a supervisor for District 1, originally scheduled for Nov. 6, was postponed. The district court scheduled a special primary election using new districting lines for Jan. 22, 1991.

On Nov. 30, Los Angeles County and three members of the Board of Supervisors asked the high court to issue a stay of the district court- ordered special election pending a final decision by the high court on whether the county violated the law.

The application, presented to Justice Sandra Day O'Connor and referred by her to the full court, was rejected without comment.

The county contends Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, which was cited by the court, should not apply in this case.

Section 2 was written in part to prevent jurisdictions from drawing legislative boundaries to diminish the voting power of minorities. But the county claims the drawing of legislative districts should be based on the number of eligible voters - not population.

Because of the number of illegal aliens and other non-citizens, only 42 percent of the adult Latinos in Los Angeles County are eligible to vote, compared to 97 percent of blacks and 95 percent of whites.

The planned redistricting would allow Hispanics to compose a voting majority in one of the five voting precincts with near equal population but less than half the registered voters of a neighboring precinct.

California law requires supervisorial districts that are near equal in population.

But the result of the planned redistricting is that a single vote in the mostly Hispanic district, in effect, would have twice the political value of a vote in a neighboring district were the population is the same but there are twice as many voters.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 10) UPI - The military Monday lifted most curfews imposed to prevent violence on the third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising, but declared the Gaza Strip a closed military area and prohibited journalists from entering.

In the West Bank town of Bethlehem, Chief of Staff Dan Shomron, Defense Minister Moshe Arens and other military officials visited the area where a 19-year-old Israeli soldier was killed when homemade bombs exploded Sunday. Two soldiers also were slightly wounded in the explosions.

Shomron said he did not believe the attack signaled the start of a new phase in the Palestinian uprising as it entered its fourth year, but when examining the ''background of the extremism here in the field, the relation to what happens in the world, including in the Persian Gulf, we cannot not consider the possibility of change.''

''Even though there is no (change) presently, ... the fear, the possibility exists,'' Shomron said.

Curfews imposed on Bethlehem and surrounding villages after the attack remained in place Monday.

While lifting curfews on most major West Bank towns, the military maintained curfews imposed before the uprising anniversary on more than 10 West Bank Palestinian villages and refugee camps. All curfews in the Gaza Strip, except on one village, were lifted, but the army declared the strip a closed military area and prohibited journalists from entering.

Commenting on Sunday's attack in Bethlehem, Shomron said the Israeli army would ''continue with all means available to fight that murderous violent core'' that attacks Israeli soldiers and Palestinians suspected of collaboration.

Curfews imposed before the explosions Sunday in an effort to prevent violence during the uprising anniversary confined approximately 1 million Palestinians to their homes. A general strike called to commemorate the Palestinian uprising, known in Arabic as the intifada, shut down the rest of the Gaza Strip, West Bank and East Jerusalem.

''The intifada is a popular revolution that came to prove to Israel and the world that the Palestinians totally reject all kinds of occupation and one day they will have their state,'' said Awni Neman, a Gaza City businessman.

''The intifada will continue as strong as it is until those (U.N.) resolutions

will be completely applied,'' Neman said, referring to resolutions calling for Israeli withdrawal from the territories it captured during the 1967 Israeli-Arab war.

The uprising erupted Dec. 9, 1987, after four Palestinians were killed in a traffic accident in Gaza involving an Israeli. Rumors spread the accident was intentional, sparking widespread rioting in the Gaza Strip that spread to the West Bank and East Jerusalem.

More than 20 Israeli soldiers and civilians have been killed in the occupied territories since the uprising began, military statistics show. B'Tselem reports another 21 Israeli civilians and three tourists killed in uprising-related violence within Israel's pre-1967 borders.

The military reported more than 620 Palestinians were killed by Israeli soldiers and an estimated 300 Palestinians were killed by other Palestinians because they were suspected of collaboration or immoral behavior.

The Israeli human rights organization, B'Tselem, places the figure of Palestinians killed by security forces and Israeli civilians at 750.

Army statistics estimate the cost of maintaining Israeli troops in the territories during the uprising at approximately $750 million.

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LONDON (DEC. 10) UPI - Former British middle distance runner Sebastian Coe officially launched London's bid for the 2000 Summer Olympics Monday with a promise that the Games would not cost the taxpayer a penny.

Industry and commerce would foot the bill, Coe insisted before the first meeting of his coordinating committee.

England national soccer team captain Gary Lineker backed Coe's sentiments, adding that London was the only city in Britain with a realistic chance of staging the Games. Lineker has joined sporting, commercial, parliamentary, police, transport and tourism representatives on the committee chaired by Coe.

Their meeting Monday came nine days before the British Olympic Association gathers to decide whether it will sanction any bid.

Birmingham's effort to stage the 1992 Olympics and Manchester's bid for the 1996 Games received little support when the International Olympic Committee made its decision.

Coe, the Olympic 1500 meters champion in Moscow in 1980 and Los Angeles in 1984, produced the torch which lit the 1948 Games in London as he opened the

campaign to return the Olympics to Britain.

''London is the right venue from which to launch a new century of sport,'' he said. ''It has many of the venues required already in place, the advantages of being a major commercial center and all the history attached to the Olympic movement.

''The days of the Games being a burden on local taxpayers are long gone. These will not be a drain on the public purse. Britain has lost too much of its standing in world sport. This is the perfect opportunity to put our feet back on the world platform.''

Coe, who will bid to become the Conservative member of parliament at the next British general election, rejected suggestions that London's transport problems would be too great.

''Los Angeles was not easy, Barcelona in 1992 will have more problems than us, and Atlanta in 1996 will also find it difficult,'' he said.

Melbourne, Berlin and Beijing are among the other cities expressing an interest in hosting the Games in 2000.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - After six weeks of heavy travel that took him from the hot sands of Saudi Arabia to the cool mountaintops of South America, President Bush finally ran out of gas.

''He's tired,'' a White House spokesman said Sunday in announcing the president had canceled plans to participate in the taping that evening of NBC-TV's annual Christmas show.

''He played tennis earlier today. He doesn't feel well. Nothing serious,'' she said.

Bush, puffey-eyed and tuckered out, returned late Saturday from a grinding, five-day, six-nation goodwill tour of South America. The week before, he spent a couple of days in Mexico.

''I think we were all a little discombobulated,'' White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Monday of the whirlwind tour. Fitzwater added, however, that the president had been recharged and is ''ready to go again.''

Speaking to White House reporters, Fitzwater said, ''Get your bags packed.''

Last month, Bush went to Europe and the Middle East, spending Thanksgiving Day with U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf. Earlier in November, he criss-crossed

the country, campaigning for fellow Republicans.

Bush, 66, appears en route to becoming the most well-traveled U.S. president ever.

Thus far, during two years in office, he has visited three dozen nations and 45 states. The figures nearly match the number of nations and states Ronald Reagan set foot in during eight years in office.

But it looks like Bush is about plant himself more firmly in one place, at least until the Persian Gulf crisis cools down.

The president has canceled plans to spend much of the Christmas holidays in his adopted home state of Texas and appears ready to push back his superpower summit with Mikhail Gorbachev, which was to be held next month in Moscow.

Other planned winter and spring presidential travel to Australia and Japan also were being shelved pending events in the gulf so Bush can spend more time in Washington.

Bush has a busy schedule this week in Washington, though.

He is to greet a parade of foreign visitors, including Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis on Monday, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir on Tuesday and Soviet Foreign Minister Edward Shevardnadze on Wednesday.

On Thursday, Bush will make a short quick trip.

He is to go to the Ellipse, the oval-shaped park across the street from the White House, to participate in the annual lighting of the national Christmas tree.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 10) UPI - Anti-apartheid activists expressed concern Monday over the International Olympic Committee's decision to send a delegation to South Africa, fearing it is a possible prelude to readmitting the country to the Olympics.

IOC officials announced Sunday during a three-day meeting of the ruling Olympic body in Lillehammer, Norway, a five-member delegation led by Senegalese Judge Keba Mbaye would be dispatched to South Africa in April to investigate progress in dismantling apartheid.

Mbaye was quoted saying that South Africa, which was expelled from the Olympics after the 1960 Games, could be readmitted by the 1992 Summer Games in Barcelona.

Sports officials responded skeptically to the announcement. The anti-apartheid National Olympic and Sports Congress said it was awaiting formal notification of the IOC decision but that it found the reports ''surprising.''

Moss Mashisi, NOSC spokesman, said it had been agreed following talks in Harare last month that a special commission would monitor South Africa's compliance with two demands before readmission to the Olympics - the dismantling of apartheid and desegregation of sport.

''If the IOC does send a delegation to South Africa, we will meet and cooperate with them,'' Mashisi said. ''But it also is important to add that an impression must not be created that the lifting of the sports moratorium will be determined by the international bodies.

''It will depend on South Africans themselves.''

Even the South African National Olympic Committee reacted cautiously. SANOC Director Doep du Plessis said it was clear apartheid had to be abolished and sports desegregated and unified under single bodies before the sports moratorium would end.

''While we welcome the IOC's decision to send a delegation to South Africa, we must warn people that they should not see this as a deviation from the Harare guidelines. SANOC at this stage supports the sports moratorium.''

''We nevertheless welcome the decision by the IOC as a genuine attempt to help South Africa cross the last two remaining hurdles,'' du Plessis said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - In another sign of a weakening local real estate market, the average sales price per room of a Manhattan co-op or condominium dropped to $80,435 last month from $83,100 the previous month, The Halstead Property Co. said Monday.

The real estate concern, which issues monthly surveys of the Manhattan apartment market, said sellers got 73 percent of the asking price for Manhattan properties in November, down from 74 percent in October.

Despite the weak market, buyers still are trying to unload high-priced properties, Halstead reports. The company said there currently are 919 apartments for sale in Manhattan with asking prices of more than $1 million.

Clark Halstead, head of the company, said the steep decline in prices during November reflected the fact that "the market has been falling like a stone."

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(DEC. 10) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Chubb Corp	Q	.33	1-8	12-21
Fed Home Ln Mfg	Q	.40	12-31	12-17
Ist State Fin Svcs	Q	.05	12-31	12-17
Fuller (HB) Co	Q	.15	2-8	1-25
Illinois Tool Wrks	Q	.18	3-1	2-4
Oshman's Sport Gds	Q	.05	1-11	12-28
Proler Intl	Q	.13	1-7	12-21

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-annual

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 70.00-72.00 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 117.63-120.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 37.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $192.00-$210.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $426.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $427.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $105.00-$109.00 per gross ton

(consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 274.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - More freed American hostages are heading home across the Atlantic today in a flight that will take them to Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington. They were among the estimated 300 foreigners carried to Frankfurt, Germany, aboard a chartered jetliner from Baghdad. A second jet carried 161 Italians to Rome last night and a third jet chartered by the British is to leave Baghdad later today. One American aboard the Frankfurt plane, teacher Matthew Allen, fought back tears while telling of the burned cars and heaps of garbage that litter the streets of Kuwait's capital.

The Persian Gulf crisis and possible timetables for a superpower summit will be among topics of discussion today as Secretary of State Baker meets his Soviet counterpart, Eduard Shevardnadze, in Houston. The city was chosen to get the two as far away from their respective capitals as possible. Two meetings are set today, three tomorrow. Shevardnadze will then head to Washington on Wednesday for meetings with President Bush.

President Bush is back at the White House after six weeks of heavy travel. It took him to Europe, the Middle East, Thanksgiving with U-S troops in the Persian Gulf, a visit to Mexico and then a five-day, six- nation goodwill tour of South America. This week's schedule is just as filled. Bush meets today with Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis , Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir tomorrow, and on Wednesday with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

Deteriorating weather in California is sending the shuttle Columbia out of orbit and back to earth one day early. Ground control radioed up the final decision this morning and Columbia's crew will spend the rest of this day preparing for a late night landing at Edwards Air Force Base in California. The early end to what was to be a 10-day mission comes on forecasts of high winds and rain during what was originally to be the scheduled end to the 38th shuttle mission.

The Supreme Court will decide whether a journalist promising confidentiality

in exchange for information from a news source has entered into a legally binding agreement. The justices will hear arguments in a case involving Minnesota's two largest newspapers, the Minneapolis Star Tribune and the St. Paul Pioneer Press Dispatch... and decide whether the papers are liable for damages for reneging on a 1982 agreement made with a source.

In other action, the justices today refused to grant an emergency appeal that would have halted a special election in Los Angeles County meant to help remedy years of voting discrimination against Hispanic residents. The court didn't say whether it will hear the county's appeal on the merits of the case, and could still decide to take the case when it returns from its holiday recess early next month.

The Israeli military today lifted most curfews in the occupied territories. The clampdown was imposed in the West Bank and Gaza Strip to prevent violence on the third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising. But curfews were lifted on most major West Bank towns, except on more than 10 Palestinian villages and refugee camps. In the Gaza Strip, all curfews, except on one village, were lifted, but the army declared the strip a closed military area and prohibited journalists from entering.

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CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (DEC. 10) UPI - A newspaper reporter jailed for refusing to answer questions about her interviews with a capital murder suspect was freed because a judge was convinced no amount of jail time would change her mind.

Jorge Rangel, an attorney for the Corpus Christi Caller-Times, said Monday he called together the presiding judge, prosecutor and defense attorney Sunday night, convincing them to agree to release reporter Libby Averyt.

Averyt, 26, who had been handcuffed and taken to the Nueces County jail Friday after being cited for contempt of court, was freed Sunday night.

''I told them that Libby was not going to change her mind and she was not going to answer the questions, and that any further confinement would not make her change her mind,'' Rangel said.

Averyt had refused at pretrial hearings to answer questions about information she did not include in published accounts of her interview with a capital murder suspect.

Rangel said the suspect's attorney ''basically says he doesn't want her to testify'' about that information, but that he wanted the right to question her should the district attorney's office ask about the information.

Even though she has been freed, the subpoena the district attorney's office issued still is pending, so the question still could be posed during the capital murder trial Jermarr Arnold that begins Wednesday.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - A stubborn jury resumed its 11th day of marathon deliberations Monday in the Central Park rape-beating trial by concentrating on readbacks of testimony about events surrounding the videotaped confession of one of the two youths charged.

The jury in State Supreme Court in Manhattan had deliberated throughout the weekend, asking for readbacks of testimony on the videotaped confessions of Kharey Wise, 18.

The statements are the strongest evidence against Wise, who is on trial with Kevin Richardson, 16, for their alleged involvement with a gang of youths in a random crime spree in Central Park on April 19, 1989.

Each youth is charged with 13 criminal counts, including rape and attempted murder for an attack on a woman jogger.

Monday, the jury asked to hear again testimony about conversations between Wise and Detective John Hartigan during the time between the youth's last written confession and his first videotaped confession.

The jury appeared to be concentrating on how Wise was treated by police during his interrogation after his arrest.

Wise's lawyer, Colin Moore, maintains he is innocent and was tricked into making incriminating statements.

In his first videotaped statement to police, Wise recounted the vicious attack on the jogger in graphic detail but claimed he watched from behind a tree and was not involved.

In his second videotaped statement, Wise admitted participating in the violence, saying he ''played with her leg'' while the rape was underway. He told Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lederer, who questioned him on the tape, ''This is my first rape.''

In his summation to the five-man, seven-woman jury, Moore said that by the end of the first videotape, Wise was exhausted after a sleepless night in the police precinct.

He said Hartigan pressured Wise to make another videotape, to ''put himself in it,'' and promised to reward him by sending him home, Moore said. Soon

afterward, Moore said, Wise made the second statement.

In a note sent out Sunday, the panel asked a series of questions about what occured between the end of the first tape and the beginning of the second tape.

In response to three specific questions, Justice Thomas Galligan told the jury that one hour and 20 minutes lapsed between the two tapes, that Wise spoke only to Hartigan and that there was no testimony about whether he ate or slept between the two tapes.

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PARIS (DEC. 10) UPI - France will increase its contingent in Saudi Arabia by at least 1,000 men by Jan. 15 to beef up the artillery firepower facing Iraqi forces and provide additional tank and air power, sources said Monday.

''A decision of principle at the highest level has been taken concerning reinforcements that for a long time have been requested to assure the maximal security of our forces under all hypotheses that can be envisaged,'' Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement told a news conference at the end of a ministerial meeting of the Western European Union.

Full details of the reinforcement would be made known in coming days after the French chief of staff has studied the logistics, Chevenement said.

Defense Ministry sources said about 1,000 artillery gunners will be sent to Saudi armed with between 18 and 24 155mm cannons.

Also expected to be sent are AMX 30 heavy tanks to bolster the lightly armored French force of some 5,500 men already in place in Saudi Arabia, and some additional warplanes, said the sources.

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MEXICO CITY (DEC. 10) UPI - The new controlling interest holders of Mexico's giant telephone company will have six years to improve efficiency and expand services, the government's Official Gazette said Monday.

The Official Gazette, or Diario Oficial, said that ''if these conditions are not met at the completion of this six-year period, the government reserves the right to sell more concessions of the company to interested parties.''

On Sunday, the government said an international consortium that includes St. Louis-based Southwestern Bell, an affiliate of France Telecom and Mexico's Grupo Carso will buy controlling interests in Telefonos de Mexico, known as Telmex. The consortium will pay $1.76 billion.

A stipulation in the agreement stated that the controlling interest holders have a period of six years to improve national and international long distance service, expand the service and improve the efficiency of the company, the Official Gazette said. Another stipulation stated that no party would be given the right to directly or indirectly monopolize Telmex.

Jaques Rogozinski, who coordinated the government's withdrawl from Telmex, told reporters Sunday that the international consortium's bid of $1.76 billion was 4.2 percent more than the second highest bid of $1.69 billion from a group made up of GTE Telephone Corp., Telefonica de Espana (Spanish Telephone Co.) and brokerage firm Acciones y Valores de Mexico. They were followed by Grupo Gentor, a Mexican investment group, which offered $700 million.

Grupo Carso, a Mexican consortium of industrial companies, along with Southwestern Bell and France Telecom, will acquire 20.4 percent of Telmex, Rogozinski said.

The telephone company's total value has been estimated at $8 billion.

''There were no significant differences in the technical aspects of the bids so the amount offered was the final variable that determined the winner,'' Rogozinski said.

''In the next few days, a general director will be named and stock representing 20.4 percent of the company will be handed out to the group, giving it administrative control of Telmex,'' he said.

The government will later place the remaining Telmex shares on Mexican and international stock exchanges, Rogozinski said.

He said the group was notified Friday they had won the bid. Under guidelines for privatization of the company, Grupo Carso must control 10.4 percent of the group's shares to ''keep the company in Mexican hands,'' he said.

The administration of President Carlos Salinas de Gortari announced its intention to privatize the state-owned telephone company in August 1989. But resistance from the 50,000-member powerful telephone workers union blocked an early sale of the company, observers said.

The Mexican Finance Ministry said the government signed an agreement with the labor union Sunday that gives workers a chance to buy up to 4.4 percent of the company's shares. Rogozinski said the government would provide workers a $325 million credit to buy into the company.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - The Supreme Court ruled Monday that collective bargaining agreements specifying grievance procedures between companies and their employees do not automatically bar workers from court action.

The court reversed a decision of the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals that a collective bargaining pact containing specific non-court grievance steps precludes workers from bringing suit if that process fails to work.

The 6th Circuit had ruled that, under the Labor Management Relations Act of 1947, legal action could not be taken, even if a worker's contract did not specifically restrict lawsuits.

The Supreme Court, in a unanimous decision, held that the 6th Circuit was wrong.

The case involved Ring Screw Works, a Michigan automobile parts manufacturer, and two former employees backed by Local 771 of the United Auto Workers union.

The company in 1987 fired Arthur Groves for allegedly excessive, unexcused absences. It fired another employee, Bobby Evans, for allegedly falsifying company records.

Both men claim they were fired without due cause in violation of the collective bargaining agreement.

After invoking other grievance procedures, the company decided not to call for arbitration and the union opted not to exercise its right to strike, bringing the case instead to court.

The 6th Circuit ruled that the collective bargaining agreement indicates a ''strike, or other job action, is the perceived remedy for failure of successful resolution of a grievance absent agreed arbitration.''

The Supreme Court Monday ruled a union should not be forced to call a strike.

''The company argues that the union has agreed that if the voluntary mediation process is unsuccessful, then the exclusive remedy that remains is either a strike or a lockout, depending on which party asserts the breach of contract '' Justice John Paul Stevens wrote for the court.

''According to this view, the dispute is not whether there was 'just cause' for the discharge of Groves and Evans, but whether the union has enough muscle to compel the company to rehire them even if there was just cause for their discharge.''

In briefs to the court, the Chamber of Commerce of the United States and the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association of the United States Inc., claimed a reversal of the 6th Circuit could force thousands of such cases into court

each year.

89-1166 Arthur Groves, Bobby J. Evans et al., vs. Ring Screw Works, Ferndale Fastener Division

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MOSCOW (DEC. 10) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev wished Lech Walesa success as Polish president Monday in a message that did not congratulation him on his victory but did urge improved relations between the two countries.

''History and life prove convincingly the need to develop cooperation and interaction between our states and peoples,'' Gorbachev said in a message carried by the Soviet news agency Tass.

''I hope that friendly and good-neighborly relations between the Soviet Union and Poland will develop in the interest of the two peoples and the construction of a new Europe,'' the message said. ''I wish you, Mr. President, success in your activities.''

The telegram to Walesa, who as leader of the unofficial Solidarity union waged a 10-year battle to end Soviet-backed Communist rule in Poland, did not specifically congratulate him on the victory as is common in such a message.

A Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman was similarly restrained in his reaction to Walesa's overwhelming victory in Sunday's election.

''Polish voters have made their choice, and we are taking into consideration the results of the Polish elections,'' Foreign Ministry spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh said.

Gremitskikh said the Soviet Union ''above all is interested to know how Soviet-Polish relations will develop in the future.''

''We are neighbors that have always cooperated, and our cooperation has been steadily developing,'' Gremitskikh said.

Walesa won Poland's first popular presidential election with 73.25 percent of the vote over businessman Stanislaw Tyminski, unofficial results showed Monday.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 10) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev warned top-ranking Communists on Monday against a breakup of the Soviet Union and said their embattled party must provide the glue to keep the country together.

Gorbachev, addressing a plenum of the party's Central Committee, bitterly attacked ''diehard militant nationalism'' that has fueled secessionist drives from the northern Baltic republics to the southern Transcaucasian region.

The official Tass news agency branded as ''baseless'' speculation that Gorbachev would use the plenum to give up his post as the party's general secretary in order to concentrate on his duties as Soviet president.

''The party is in favor of keeping and radically renewing the union,'' he said. ''This is not a tactical move or a concession to anyone under the pressure of circumstances, but rather the party's principled stand.''

The Central Committee, trimmed down to just 250 members at the 28th Party Congress in July, convened with little of the fanfare that surrounded past meetings of the once all-powerful body.

Pravda, the official party newspaper waging a fall subscription drive to bolster its shrunken circulation, did not mention the plenum on its front page which just a few years ago would have been dominated by such a conference.

In remarks carried by Tass from the closed session, Gorbachev asked the Central Committee members to endorse a union treaty he wants to underpin a rejuvenated Soviet Union and to weigh the party's future amid increased competition at the polls.

Gorbachev, noting his attempts to separate government functions from Communist structures, urged support of the treaty as ''a state document, not a party one.''

The accord, which would replace the 1922 pact that formally established the Soviet Union, will provide a foundation for the movement to a market economy, he said.

''The union is also necessary for our peoples as a reliable guarantee of their security and as the basis of international prestige,'' Gorbachev said.

The 1990 Nobel Peace laureate said ''there is no danger in the country greater than'' extreme nationalism and accused separatists of ''ambitious public straining after portfolios.''

Tass struck a defensive note in its report on the plenum.

''Although the Soviet Communist Party has practically become the opposition in many republics following election results, it remains as before the only political force of an all-union scale,'' Tass said.

''This uniting and consolidating element today is an essential tool for Mikhail Gorbachev in his attempt to preserve the union while at the same time

giving new content to the understanding of (local) sovereignty,'' it said.

The two-day plenum was expected as well to choose several new members of the ruling Politburo, which was also overhauled in July to include Gorbachev, his new deputy general secretary, the party chiefs from each of the 15 Soviet republics and seven other functionaries.

The first secretaries in Byelorussia and in the Transcaucasian republics of Armenia and Georgia recently left their posts, and their replacements must be formally accepted into the Politburo.

''Despite changes in the arrangement of political forces in the country ... a great deal depends on the outcome of today's meeting,'' Tass said.

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TORONTO (DEC. 10) UPI - The Israeli government is suing a Canadian publisher and two authors of a best-selling book on its intelligence service, the Mossad.

The lawsuit asks for $2 million in punitive damages and all revenues from the sale of the book 'By Way of Deception,'' by former agent Victor Ostrovsky and journalist Claire Hoy.

The lawyer representing the Israeli government could not be reached for comment.

A spokesman for the book's publisher, Stoddart Publishing Co. Ltd. of Toronto, said the lawsuit is an admission that information in the book is true and accurate.

Stoddart spokesman Angel Guerra said the Israelis first denied Ostrovsky's claim that he was a former Mossad agent, then modified that to say he was not privy to sensitive agency information.

Ostrovsky, a Mossad agent from 1984 to 1986, claimed the Israeli government knew in advance of the 1983 terrorist suicide truck bombing that killed 240 Marines in Beirut but did nothing to stop it because it wanted to sour American-Arab relations.

Guerra said the Israeli lawsuit, filed with the Ontario provincial court in Toronto Oct. 9, claims Ostrovsky had access to ''protected information and wrongfully appropriated documents.''

A similar lawsuit has been launched in the United States.

The Israelis say Ostrovsky violated a contract prohibiting him from revealing information. Ostrovsky has said the agreement is not binding because he was

exposing criminal behavior by the Mossad.

Ostrovsky has said he does not possess documents that Israeli lawsuit claims he has.

The book gained worldwide fame in mid-September when the Israeli government blocked its publication by launching court actions in Toronto and New York.

An injunction against the book was lifted in New York and Israel subsequently withdrew the ban it won in Canada, saying the damage had already been done.

The book became the No. 1 seller on the New York Times non-fiction list in September and topped bestseller lists in Canada.

Ostrovsky, who lives outside Ottawa with his wife and two children, went into hiding when the initial furor erupted after receiving what he claimed were threats from Israeli agents who visited him.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (DEC. 10) UPI - Doctors conspired to keep the Cleveland Clinic out of the Fort Lauderdale area through intimidation and threats of an illegal boycott, according to an 18-month investigation by the Federal Trade Commission.

The efforts violated federal antitrust laws designed to foster competition, according to FTC documents obtained by the Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel and reported Monday.

The FTC alleges the Broward County doctors, who usually compete against each other, acted together to keep Cleveland Clinic doctors out of their hospitals. The doctors feared the added competition, the FTC said.

As a result, residents were deprived of the ''price and quality benefits'' of free competition, the FTC said.

The commission alleges that a conspiracy began in the 1980s, when doctors learned their hospitals were negotiating with Ohio's Cleveland Clinic, which wanted to build a satellite in Broward County.

To create a satellite in the area, the clinic needed access to a hospital. Discussions with Broward General Medical Center and Holy Cross Hospital faltered, in part because of objections from local doctors.

In late 1987, the clinic applied to build its own hospital, but the state rejected the plan because of a glut of hospital beds.

The clinic contracted with North Beach Hospital for a place to treat its patients and later bought it. But because that hospital did not have facilities for heart surgery, the clinic again looked to Broward General and Holy Cross.

Investigators said doctors at the two hospitals were concerned that the clinic would disrupt patient referrals, the lifeblood of their practices.

At Broward General, the FTC said, doctors threatened to send their patients to other hospitals to coerce the North Broward Hospital District Board, which oversees the hospital, not to affiliate with Cleveland Clinic.

Later, the doctors illegally blocked the applications of clinic physicians who wanted to work at the hospital, investigators said.

At Holy Cross, the FTC said, doctors threatened a boycott to persuade the hospital not to affiliate with the clinic. The doctors also refused to give clinic doctors applications to work at the hospital and later refused to process them, investigators said.

Doctors at both hospitals said they turned away clinic doctors because the clinic planned eventually to build a hospital that would compete for patients with their institutions.

Last month, the FTC gave doctors at Broward General and Holy Cross the option of stopping illegal behavior and signing an out-of-court settlement without a trial, or challenging the findings in a hearing before the commission.

As part of the settlement, Broward General's chief of staff, Dr. Diran Seropian, would be forced to give up his position and could not hold a leadership post for five years.

Holy Cross doctors would be required to strike a question about whether a doctor works for the clinic from their application for hospital privileges.

Doctors are considering the options. If they sign the proposed out- of-court settlements, they will acknowledge the FTC's findings without admitting to unlawful conduct. If they ask for a hearing, the medical staffs could face hefty fines.

FTC officials would not comment. The outcome of their investigation does not become public until the parties and the agency agree to a settlement or take the matter to a hearing.

Regardless what the doctors decide, the FTC findings could open the door for the Cleveland Clinic to sue the doctors for the business the clinic may have lost as a result of the alleged restraint of trade.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - Manufacturers' after-tax profits averaged 4.1 cents for every dollar of sales during the third quarter, down 0.6 cent from the second quarter, the Commerce Department said Monday.

During the third quarter, manufacturers reported after-tax profits of $29.3 billion, down 10.2 percent from the $32.6 billion earned in the previous quarter.

After-tax profits rose slightly for makers of non-durable goods. Printing and petroleum companies posted increased profits, while makers of textiles, paper and rubber goods reported declines. Food and chemical company profits were unchanged.

Profits for makers of durable goods were down 40.4 percent, or $6.3 billion, during the third quarter from the second quarter, as all industry categories except electrical machinery posted declines. About 60 percent of the falloff came from makers of transportation equipment.

Manufacturers' sales rose 2.9 percent, or $19.9 billion, to $709.6 billion in the third quarter.

Sales for makers of non-durable goods rose primarily from a $12.8 billion increase in petroleum, 19.1 percent higher than the second quarter. Most other non-durable goods makers posted flat sales.

Sales among makers of durable goods, those big-ticket items designed to last more than three years, were down during the quarter. The government attributed the decline to an 11.1 percent, or $10.5 billion, drop in sales among makers of transportation equipment.

The annual rate of return, after taxes, on stockholders' equity at manufacturing corporations fell to 11.2 percent in the latest three months from 13.6 percent in the second quarter and 13.4 percent in the year-earlier third quarter.

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ANN ARBOR, Mich. (DEC. 10) UPI - The threat of harsh punishment does little to improve collection of billions evaded annually in federal taxes, University of Michigan research indicated Monday.

Studies suggested, on the other hand, that such positive measures as streamlined Internal Revenue Service taxpayer contacts may be as effective as increasing the number of audits or imposing stiff fines. A person's peers may

have the most influence of all on tax compliance.

The government lost nearly $85 billion to income-tax cheaters in 1987, according to the latest figures available from the IRS.

''Many people who regularly pay their taxes need few or no incentives to comply,'' said Joel B. Slemrod, University of Michigan professor of business economics and public policy. ''These taxpayers act honestly even though it is not in their own self-interest.

''The habitual tax evaders will find ways to cheat, and deterrents may have little effect on them.''

Although sums evaded total about 40 percent of the federal deficit, Slemrod said suggestions to quickly trim it through beefed-up enforcement might be in vain.

''Simply because the amount of taxes not paid because of cheating is a big number doesn't mean the government can make a big dent in it,'' he said. ''It's like oil reserves. They are there, but whether they are economically recoverable is a different matter.''

Slemrod organized a conference sponsored by the Office of Tax Policy Research of the U-M School of Business Administration Dec. 7-8. It included results of 12 research projects on various aspects of tax evasion and tax-law enforcement.

Individual cheaters have a negative attitude toward the tax system, and believe that others are equally dishonest, Slemrod said.

''Objective changes - whether the amount of taxes you pay goes up or down - apparently have little effect on an individual's attitude toward compliance. The subjective element matters - whether you believe the '' you believe the

One research project analyzed feelings of taxpayers before and after the 1988 tax season, the first time the main effects of the 1986 Tax Reform Bill were felt by individual taxpayers.

''The attitudes of other individuals with whom taxpayers discussed their taxes had the biggest effect,'' Slemrod said. ''What mattered most was who you talked with on a personal level. If you talked with people at a cocktail party and everybody said they were cheating, you were more likely to cheat.''

Auditing suspected cheaters may increase, rather than lessen, cheating. ''More audit coverage does deter evasion,'' Slemrod said. ''But if audits are seen as unfair and create negative attitudes between taxpayers and the IRS, they may backfire because more people with negative attitudes means more evasion.''

The IRS now audits fewer than 1 percent of all returns, down from a high of close to 6 percent. Slemrod said the IRS can use alternate means, including computer checks, simplifying the tax system, and ''conducting business in a more professional manner with a standard of service akin to a bank or other large financial institution.''

Research using previously untapped data from the IRS Taxpayer Compliance Measurement Program on small- and medium-size corporations showed that more than two-thirds of all corporations fail to report part of current-year income. Average unreported profits amounted to about 12 percent of average reported profits.

Public corporations tend to have a better record than private firms because they are forced to share information with shareholders, Slemrod said. Profits also affect how the firms comply.

''High-profit companies can shave off a portion of their income and still look successful without looking suspicious,'' he said. ''At the opposite end, one of the first places some companies in trouble may try to save money is to avoid paying taxes.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - The smoldering fire from the fight over the civil rights bill promises to ignite again in the next session of Congress as the politically charged issue of racial quotas begins to creep into hearings.

The issue of racial quotas came up Monday - not at a hearing on a new civil rights bill, but at a House Education and Labor Committee hearing on federal funding for historically black colleges and universities.

In the just completed session of Congress, opponents of the Civil Rights Act of 1990 contended the measure would have forced employers to hire minorities to fill quotas. President Bush used the same argument when he became only the third president to veto civil rights legislation.

Supporters, however, said the bill included no provision setting racial quotas and claimed opponents were using that argument to kill the bill.

The ensuing fight spilled over into the re-election campaign of Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., whose strategy of railing against racial quotas succeeded in defeating Harvey Gantt, who is black.

And incoming Republican National Committee Chairman William Bennett, who wrote about the ills of racial quotas some 10 years ago, promises to use the issue to the GOP's advantage in upcoming races.

Rep. William Gray, D-Pa., the lead-off witness at the House hearing, followed up on a comment by Rep. Charles Hayes, D-Ill., about the racial overtones of the Helms campaign.

Gray urged investment in black colleges and universities as a way to avoid any need for quotas, which he says he opposes.

''I'd say to those who take advantage of fear - I would challenge them to stop dividing this country ... and begin to address the fundamental problem and invest in these people ... and give them an opportunity to attend these schools .. and then they will have the tools to compete and you won't have to use quotas,'' Gray said.

Apparently referring to Bennett's reported intention to use racial quotas as a campaign issue, Gray said it may secure some short-term political gains.

''But there's going to be a terrible price to pay in the long-term of this nation if we don't stop that,'' he said. ''I am very discouraged about what I see taking place.''

Rep. Dale Kildee, D-Mich., said the Helms campaign ''should cause the nation the deepest concern,'' noting the ''divisive technique'' used by the Republican senator to turn the tide in his favor.

Rep. Steve Gunderson, R-Wis., who voted against the civil rights bill because he felt it was quota bill and a ''full employment bill for plaintiff lawyers '' warned Gray, the No. 3 Democrat in the House, that the ''rhetoric and partisanship'' voiced in the last civil rights debate will repeat itself if the Democrats, as expected, reintroduce the bill.

''If the Democrats are going to introduce last year's civil rights bill as HR-1 and make it their highest partisan priority, then they will be the ones who made the decision to make the issue partisan,'' Gunderson said in an interview after the hearing.

''It is clear to me that the momentum around here is to play 1992 politics, rather than resolve discrimination,'' he said, adding that Bennett's decision to use the issue is based on Democrats' continued support of the civil rights measure.

Meanwhile, presidents of black universities told the House panel of the need to adequately fund their institutions, which represent just over 5 percent of all four-year higher-education institutions, but graduate about 40 percent of all black undergraduates. There are 117 such institutions.

The reathorization of the Higher Education Act will be debated in 1991.

''Our institutions have earned the assistance that the federal government has

provided. However, the level of support should be maintained or increased, not reduced or frozen and certainly not eliminated,'' said Robert Albright, president of Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, N.C., speaking on behalf of the United Negro College Fund.

William Harvey, president of Hampton University in Hampton, Va., said, ''Increased investment in these vital resources is an investment in our nation for their value is indisputable. We cannot afford the immediate and long-term cost of relegating their continued viability to a place of lesser importance.''

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RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL (DEC. 10) UPI - Thousands are expected to crowd a tiny Amazon town for the trial of two ranchers accused of killing ecologist Francisco ''Chico'' Mendes Filho, a deed that dramatized international concern over the future of the rain forest, officials said Monday.

Officials estimated more than 5,000 people would be at the trial Wednesday in Xapuri, a town of barely 4,000 inhabitants 1,850 miles northwest of Rio de Janeiro deep in the Amazon rain forest.

The Brazilian telecommunications company said 300 journalists from the United States, Europe, Asia and local media have asked for help in transmitting the trial of rancher Darly Alves de Silva, 56, and his son, Darci Alves, 26.

They are charged with fatally shooting Mendes, a leader of the rubber-tappers who won a United Nations Global 500 prize for promoting rational uses of the Amazon rain forest.

Mendes, 44, denounced local ranchers' burning of the forest for grazing land and became an international martyr when he was killed by shotgun fire at his home on Dec. 22, 1988.

Days earlier, Mendes told reporters that Darly Alves da Silva was planning his death and asked for protection from the authorities.

President Fernando Collor de Mello said he would fly to Xapuri to oversee about 200 federal policemen sent from Brasilia to enforce security at the trial, Federal Police Chief Romeu Tuma said.

Thousands of rubber-tappers were also expected to stand watch at the trial. The Catholic Church estimates about 1,500 tappers have been killed in Xapuri and the surrounding are since 1987.

Rubber-tappers extract the basic liquid for rubber from the trees in the rain forest much as farmers tap maple trees in the United States to produce maple sugar.

Lawyers were making final preparations Monday for the court battle.

Defense lawyer Rubens Lopes Torres said he wants his clients to wear hoods.

''I want to preserve the image of my clients,'' he said. ''They have already been very exploited'' by the press, Lopes Torres said.

But presiding Judge Adair Jose Longuini said he will not allow the defendents to appear hooded.

''If so, they are going to look like the Ku Klux Klan, the U.S. terrorist organization,'' Longuini said.

Lopes Torres said he also hoped to postpone the trial because the elder Alves has an ulcer. ''If it gets worse, we are going to postpone it. The ideal would be to have the trial in March,'' he said.

The star witness, Genesio Ferreira de Silva, 15, accompanied by police and journalists, was moved from Rio de Janeiro to Xapuri on Sunday, according to prosecuting lawyer Marico Thomaz Bastos.

Bastos, 54, the president of the Brazilian Lawyers Association, has said he has ''no doubt the accused in the trial will be found guilty.''

''The proof gathered in the investigation is solid,'' Bastos said. He said he is confidenr ''the punishment of the accused will be a mark to put an end to the violence of the region.''

Arson forest fires destroyed an area the size of Britain, or about 600,000 square miles, of Amazon rain forest in 1989, according to official figures.

Mendes gained national fame fighting to preserve the forest by promoting natural, non-destructive uses of the Amazon, such as rubber- tapping.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 10) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 81-84; large 77-83; medium 71-77.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 88-90; large 85-88 and mediums 78-81.

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#90344u1201 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
BAY CITY, MICH. (DEC. 10) UPI - A 19-year-old man who allegedly stole Greyhound bus and then repeatedly rammed it into a restaurant where he worked as a cook faces felony charges of malicious destruction, motor vehicle theft and resisting arrest.

Police said they had not determined the motive for the bizarre incident, which occurred early Sunday morning while the Brass Lantern Restaurant was closed. It was not immediately known whether the man was intoxicated at the time.

Reports indicate the man, a Bay City resident, stole the bus by breaking one of its windows at about 3 a.m. Sunday. The man allegedly drove the bus three blocks to the Brass Lantern and ramming it.

''One witness said he backed up and rammed the building about 20 times,'' police office Thomas Toth said Monday.

Toth said officers found the suspect hiding in a doorway about two blocks from the restaurant, bleeding from his right hand. He claimed to have been in a fight.

''The guy was real violent. He spit at officers, threatened officers, '' Toth said. The man was restrained in leg irons before he was taken to the Bay County Jail.

Authorities said the bus sustained $10,000 in damages and the building about $15,000.

A man reached at the Brass Lantern Monday, asked to describe the scene, would only say the building was ''all patched over.''

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MADRID, SPAIN (DEC. 10) UPI - Spanish Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez warned the Basque separatist organisation ETA Monday against attacking the Barcelona 1992 Olympic games and said his government would not bow to terror.

''Such a terror offensive would in no way change the government's determination not to negotiate with the separatists,'' Gonzalez told reporters Monday after a meeting of the Spanish Parliament.

''Government policy is not going to change whatever is on the horizon - the Olympic games or the world exhibition in Seville,'' the Socialist premier said.

He said an ETA car bomb attack Saturday outside a soccer stadium near Barcelona, in which six police officers were killed by a 66-pound explosive, was ''a despicable act.''

''What we have to get across is that government policy is not going to change. The terrorists are deceiving themselves. There are not going to be any political negotiations of any type,'' Gonzalez said.

''If they don't want to take any notice, then now and again we will suffer the knock of terrorism. But they will pay. Those who have done this will pay,'' he added.

Police spokesmen said they feared that ETA had a terrorist squad in place in Barcelona and that the car bomb was the start of a terror campaign directed at the city, which is to host the Summer Olympics in 1992.

The ETA group is fighting for an independent Basque homeland and has been blamed for more than 650 killings in the 20 years the organization has battled the Spanish government

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DALLAS (DEC. 10) UPI - Americans can ''stick it to Saddam'' with a voodoo doll that looks like the Iraqi president.

Advertising executive Madelyn Miller came up with the Saddam Hussein Voodoo and says it is becoming a hot item with holiday shoppers.

''I was really just sitting around with some friends talking about how frustrating all of this is,'' Miller said of the Persian Gulf crisis. ''It's so far away and there's nothing you can do about it.''

As a means to work off some of the anger, Miller came up with the Saddam doll

for $10.

''Stick it to Saddam,'' the label reads. ''Stick him in the head and puncture his plans. Puncture his stomach - but beware, it's full of poison gas. Jab Saddam in the legs and bring him to his knees. Don't waste time stabbing Saddam's heart, he has none.''

Miller had a friend with artistic talent draw the Iraqi president in his military fatigues. The image was silk-screened on cloth and the cloth doll stuffed with polyester.

So far, 5,000 dolls have been produced and are on sale at a few stores in Texas and Oklahoma and at one national video store chain. Miller's distributor is negotiating with national chain stores and talking about shpping 30,000 dolls by Christmas.

Susan Frensley, co-manager of one Dallas outlet, said her store had sold about 150 dolls in the past month.

''They're hot,'' she said. ''People are sending them all over the country. They're sending it to the troops in Saudi Arabia.''

Reaction at one suburban Dallas store, however, was so negative the manager had to remove them from the shelves. People complained that the dolls promoted witchcraft and violence, the manager said.

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ATHENS, Greece (DEC. 10) UPI - Three people were killed and four wounded in two weekend attacks by Kurdish separatist guerrillas in southeastern Turkey, officials said Monday.

One attack occurred late Sunday in a house in Akarsu, a village near Mardin, 475 miles southeast of Ankara. Kurdish guerrillas shot and killed three members of a single family before slipping away under cover of darkness, provincial officials said.

The victims were identified as Selim Elmas, his wife and teenage daughter. Officials said leftwing Kurds have been known to single out people who cooperate with authorities against rebels in the region.

The second attack, also on Sunday, occurred near Sirnak, 560 miles southeast of Ankara, where a bomb believed to have been planted by left- wing Kurdish guerrillas wounded four people, including three policemen and one passerby.

One policeman was said to be in a critical condition. The provincial authorities gave no further details.

Left-wing Kurds, led by the Marxist-Leninist Kurdish Workers Party, have been active in southeastern Turkey since August 1984 when they swore to set up an independent Kurdish state on Turkish soil.

The government in Ankara has since boosted its forces in the area, which borders Iran, Iraq and Syria.

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LONDON (DEC. 10) UPI - Stock prices closed slightly lower in thin trading Monday on the London International Stock Exchange in the wake of last week's collapse of the global GATT trade talks.

Stocks also eased slightly in Frankfurt.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which added 5.9 points Friday, slipped 0.9 points to 2,182.5. The narrower top 30 industrial average eased 2.3 points to 1,721.5.

Volume amounted to around 317 million shares well below the 525 million shares changing hands Friday.

The effective collapse of world trade talks last week in Brussels meant the world economy faced the threat of trade wars and deepening recession, analysts said.

Analysts noting the featureless trading said professional investors were unwilling to commit funds ahead of Tuesday's disclosure of the share-allocation in newly privatized British electricity companies.

Kleinworth Benson Ltd., bankers to the government, announced after the market closed the privatization of 12 regional electric companies was 10.7 times overscribed by the general public, triggering a ''clawback on share allocations to both foreign investors and domestic institutions.''

According to a statement issued by the banking group, ''12.75 million applications from individual investors were received,'' the highest ''eived,'' the higheston

The offering covered a total 2.16 billion shares in the 12 electric companies for an aggregate value of around $9.85 billion.

Terms of the clawback will boost the percentage of the shares available to the general public to 54.6 percent from the minimum of 34.4 percent that was set initially, the bank said.

The 12 companies scheduled to begin trading on Tuesday include, Eastern Electricity, Manweb, Midland Electricity, Northern Eklectric, Norweb, Seeboard Southern Electric, South Wales Electricity, South Western Electricity and Yorkshire Electricity.

Meanwhile on the local news front, two key economic reports, retail sales and producer prices had little impact on investors.

Britain's retail sales volume fell a provisional 0.5 percent in November from October and was down 0.8 percent from November 1989, according to the Central Statistical Office.

Market forecasters were expecting November sales to slip 0.2 percent from October.

The government agency also reported producer output prices, or prices of manufactured goods, rose 0.2 percent in November from October, while producer input prices, or prices of raw materials and fuels purchased by manufacturing industry, fell an unadjusted 0.2 percent in November.

On the trading floor, among the most widely traded stocks, Berisford International, the foods conglomerate, plunged 10 cents to 43 cents a share after reporting a pretax loss of around $188.3 million for the year ending September 30.

Associated British Foods surged 46 cents to $8, after purchasing Berisford International's British Sugar company.

Brewers Scottish and Newcastle added 10 cents to $7.07 on its favorable annual profits report and planned expansion.

Pharmaceutical company Wellcome PLC gained 16 cents to $8.26 amid a buy recommendation from James Capel and Barclays de Zoete Wedd.

Oil shares were slightly lower with peace prospects growing in the Persian Gulf. British Petroleum slipped 6 cents to $6.23 and and London Scottish & marine Oil shed 12 cents to $7.53.

In Frankfurt, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed slightly lower in light trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 8.17 points Friday, eased 8.04 points to 1,504.80.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - President Bush will seek a major overhaul of the

nation's banking laws when Congress reconvenes next month and will make it a ''top priority'' of his new legislative agenda, a spokesman said Monday.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater confirmed a published report that Bush plans to propose reforms of what Fitzwater called the ''weak'' U.S. banking system.

''We hope to have proposals in January to reform the banking system,'' he said adding the administration is ''looking into'' various recommendations.

''We've been concerned about the credit crunch,'' in which banks have tightened up their standards for making loans, Fitzwater said.

Last week, White House chief of staff John Sununu said the administration would propose ''fine tuning'' the banking laws, but it appeared that there would be a much larger effort to revamp the system, from top to bottom, with the Treasury Department expected to work up a set of recommendations for the president.

Under proposals now being drafted, according to a Washington Post report, the laws that have governed U.S. banks - including the amount of their reserves - as well as savings and loans, brokerage houses and insurance companies for the last half a century would have to be rewritten.

Some of the regulations would be dropped and some would be strengthened under the plan under consideration.

One of the proposals would impose new limits on federal deposit insurance that would return the program to its original purpose: protecting small savers.

The Post said that Depression-era barriers erected between banking and other businesses established after the 1929 stock market crash would be removed. Banks would be allowed to act as brokers in stock transactions, sell insurance and underwrite bonds.

In addition, the newspapper said that state lines would no longer be a barrier to banks and that banks would be allowed to buy other banks and to open branches anywhere. The Post said the easing of such restraints could lead to the creation of the first nationwide banks.

The Post said that the Treasury had decided to go beyond its original mandate and ''to link deposit insurance changes to a sweeping overhaul of the financial industry.''

The newspaper also said that experts agree the banking system today is the weakest it has been since the Great Depression.

William Seidman, the Federal Department Insurance Corp.'s chairman, has

indicated growing concern over the depleting of the FDIC's insurance fund. The Post said that the banking industry is not as in bad shape as savings and loan institutions were when they began collapsing.

Whether Congress is ready to go along with the revisions is open to question. The lawmakers are not likely to want to tamper with the $100, 000 insurance coverage set for depositors' accounts.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - A U-S chartered Boeing 747 is to set down this afternoon at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland with the latest group of Americans to get out of Iraq. The freedom flight stopped earlier in Frankfurt, Germany, on a journey from Baghdad. A second U-S charter is to leave Baghdad tomorrow but White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater says that even after it arrives, other Americans are expected to still be trapped in either Kuwait or Iraq.

In Paris, defense ministry sources say France will increase its contingent in Saudi Arabia by at least one-thousand men by January 15th. The sources the government also will send more heavy tanks and some additional warplanes. They say the move is aimed at beefing up the artillery fire, tank and air power facing Iraqi forces. France has some 55-hundred troops already in place in Saudi Arabia.

What was to be a 10-day shuttle mission is ending a little early on orders from Houston. NASA controllers are uncomfortable with reports of increasing winds over the Edwards Air Force Base landing site in California and they are ordering Columbia and its crew in one day early . The unusual nighttime landing will end a mission beset with a number of problems. But the crew members did manage to accomplish at least 80 percent of their set goals to study X-ray and ultraviolet light emissions that are blocked from view by Earth's atmosphere.

The Supreme Court has reversed an earlier court ruling and the nation's highest court now says unions and their members still have the right to a court hearing if contract-approved grievance procedures doN'T work. The court ruled against an earlier decision that indicated the only avenue open to a union was to strike if it did NOT get satisfaction from grievance procedures set out in its contract.

A reduced 250 member Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party met in Moscow today without the usual fanfare that such a meeting once brought. But there were still fireworks observed. Some came from Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev as he warned against ''diehard militant nationalism'' that threatens to tear the Soviet Union apart. The official Tass news agency reported that Gorbachev urged endorsement of a new union treaty to replace the 1922 version that created a unified country. He said the new version will provide the

foundation to change to a market economy.

In Oslo, Norway, the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister today accepted the Nobel Peace Prize on behalf of Soviet President Gorbachev, who couldn't make the ceremony because he was too busy at home dealing with domestic crises. Gorbachev was awarded the prestigious prize by the Norwegian Nobel Committee for his crucial role in dismantling communist regimes in Eastern Europe, and for helping to end the Cold War.

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NEW DELHI (DEC. 10) UPI - A Hindu militant party Monday closed shops and businesses in the southern city of Hyderabad where Hindus and Moslems clashed for a fourth day that left five people dead, raising the number of people killed to more than 75.

Tension remain high with authorities expanding curfews to new areas and soldiers patrolling on foot and vehicles, state-run television and the Press Trust of India news agency said.

Residents reached by telephone from New Delhi said shops and businesses remained closed in Hyderabad and there were few vehicles on roads in response to a strike called by the militant Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party.

The Hindu party called the one-day strike to protest the killing of the people.

Violence again erupted in the Moslem-dominated old sections of Hyderabad with groups of Hindus and Moslems defying a curfew and attacking homes and shops, residents and police said.

They said groups dispersed before soldiers could reach the scene.

Police said five bodies were recovered overnight and at least five people were killed on a fourth day of communal clashes Monday in Hyderabad, raising the death toll in the city 800 miles south of New Delhi to more than 75.

Most of the dead were victims of stabbings and police firing.

Another 40 people died and an unspecified number people were wounded in the Hindu-Moslem clashes over the past four days in the northern Uttar Pradesh town of Aligarh, the Press Trust of India news agency said.

It said fresh violence broke out in several areas of Aligarh following the publication of a news report Monday that a group of people entered the Jawaharlal Nehru Medical college and killed some patients.

The news agency quoted authorities as denying the news report as baseless.

Authorities enforced a curfew across the town.

In Hyderabad, authorities took into custody several legislators of the Andhra Pradesh state assembly and city corporators, the Press Trust of India news agency said.

Steel-helmeted soldiers atop military vehicles patrolled the deserted streets, said residents.

Groups of Hindus and Moslems have been attacking each other's homes and shops, looting valuables and setting homes ablaze.

The violence occurred as hundreds of Hindu militant activists pressed ahead with their campaign to relocate a 16th century mosque and build in its place a temple for a key Hindu god in the Hindu town holy of Ayodhya in northern Uttar Pradesh state.

Hundreds of Hindu volunteers since Thursday defied a government ban on religious processions and offered themselves for arrest in Ayodhya.

Hindu militants claim that a Moslem emperor 470 years ago demolished a temple and built a mosque in its place. Moslem religious groups, however, say there was never a temple on the site.

The dispute led to communal violence across the country in October and caused the collapse of the government of Prime Minister V.P. Singh. The Bharatiya Janata Party withdrew its parliamentary support to Singh's government when its president, L.K. Advani, was arrested and stopped from pressing ahead with his campaign for the temple construction.

Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar has vowed to find a peaceful solution to the shrine dispute.

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VIENNA (DEC. 10) UPI - OPEC oil ministers began arriving in Vienna Monday for a year-end meeting at which they were expected to withhold decisions on oil production quotas and prices until the Persian Gulf crisis is resolved.

As the ministers gathered in the Austrian capital, officials of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries said the 13-member cartel was likely to extend a suspension of oil quotas and price caps until the situation in the Middle East returns to normal.

The ministers, who last met in Vienna Aug. 26 through Aug. 29, suspended a 24.5 million barrel-a-day production ceiling for the second half of 1990, allowing individual members to make up the 4.2 million barrels a day lost

after the United Nations imposed an embargo on Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil.

Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

''We have every expectation that the suspension will simply be extended at the annual ministerial (meeting),'' an OPEC official said. ''There is basically no alternative to such an outcome.''

With the field of action limited for the moment, some OPEC ministers have begun to consider the possibility of a sharp drop in oil prices if Iraq is forced to withdraw from Kuwait and oil production from both OPEC nations returns to the world market.

Apparently reflecting this worry, Iranian Petroleum Minister Gholamreza Aghazadeh told a news conference in Teheran Monday that maintaining oil prices next year will be one of the main topics at the Vienna meeting.

He said the ministers will discuss the gulf situation in private and work to defend the ''unity and integrity'' of the organization, which has been badly damaged by the crisis.

Most of the oil shortfall caused by the U.N. embargo has been made up by Saudi Arabia, which was estimated to have pumped 7.9 million barrels a day in November, just 300,000 barrels a day more than in October. Saudi output is sharply higher than the 5.6 million barrel-a-day quota the kingdom was assigned by OPEC in July.

The increased production from Saudi Arabia and Iran, which pumped 3.3 million barrels a day last month, raised estimated OPEC output in November to 22.9 million barrels a day, its highest level since May, according to the Paris-based International Energy Agency.

In Vienna OPEC ministers will find a dramatically different situation from the one they faced in May, when they held an emergency meeting in Geneva in an effort to curb production and increase prices, hovering at the time at about $18 a barrel.

When they gathered again in July for their regular mid-year session, the price of a barrel had risen to $21, and the ministers set an overall production ceiling of 22.5 million barrels a day in the hope of supporting that price level.

But since Iraq invaded Kuwait, the price of a barrel of oil has gone as high as $40, with prices dropping back to under $30 a barrel after the U.N. Security Council set a Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to evacuate Kuwait and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein decided to release all foreign hostages.

''I'm not expecting much at the meeting,'' John Lichtblau, president of

Petroleum Industry Research Foundation, said in New York. ''OPEC isn't functioning, the meeting can't decide anything.

''I think the only reason they're holding the meeting is to show OPEC is still alive,'' he added.

OPEC officials said they expected all 13 oil ministers to attend, including those from Iraq and Kuwait. They pointed out that both Iraq and Iran were present at all cartel meetings during their eight-year war.

''OPEC recognizes 13 members,'' a cartel official said. ''But we do not expect a long meeting.''

The OPEC gathering comes after a weekend meeting in Mexico City at which non-OPEC oil producers vowed to step up cooperation with the cartel in an effort to stabilize the world oil market.

OPEC Secretary-General Subroto, who attended the meeting as an observer, said a meeting between OPEC and non-OPEC producers was possible. He said OPEC alone cannot stabilize world oil prices, particularly since non-OPEC producers pump more oil than the cartel.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 10) UPI - Jurors in the racketeering and fraud trial of 10 Chicago Board of Trade soybean traders began deliberations Monday after listening to more than three months of testimony.

Deliberations in the complicated case were expected to be lengthy.

The defendants face charges ranging from violation of commodities trading rules, to mail fraud, conspiracy and racketeering. They are among 48 people indicted as a result of FBI undercover investigations at the CBOT and the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, the world's largest and second-largest futures exchanges.

The government contends brokers, who trade on behalf of customers, recruited so-called local traders in the CBOT soybean pit to absorb losses from mistakes made while executing customers' orders.

Brokers are personally accountable for those losses, but prosecutors said the locals - who trade mostly for their own personal accounts - were recruited to eat the losses. They allegedly were repaid by the brokers in the form of profitable prearranged trades at off-market prices - trades that came at the expense of clients.

Defense lawyers argued that the defendants engaged in standard, legal

practices that helped them handle the high volume of orders that come during volatile periods in the market and that no one was hurt by the alleged trading irregularities. They said customers bought at the prices they specified and sold at the prices specified.

But prosecutors noted the law requires brokers to get customers the best possible price when executing orders - and that the price specified in orders is not necessarily the best price.

''I submit to you, ladies and gentlemen, that concealing that you can't do your job properly, when the customer pays for that job, is fraud,'' Assistant U.S. Attorney Ira Raphaelson told jurors in his final rebuttal Friday.

Raphaelson also said pre-arranged trades denied traders in the pit - and their customers - market opportunities and potential profits.

''One order could have moved the market, we don't know how much,'' Raphaelson said.

The defendants, all of whom live in the Chicago area, are:

-Bradley Ashman, 29, charged with racketeering and and violating the Commodities Exchange Act.

-William Barcal III, 36, charged with mail fraud and and violating the Commodities Exchange Act.

-Charles Bergstrom, 43, charged with racketeering, racketeering conspiracy, mail fraud, wire fraud and and violating the Commodities Exchange Act.

-Edward Cox III, 29, charged with racketeering conspiracy, mail fraud, wire fraud and and violating the Commodities Exchange Act.

-Martin J. Dempsey, 53, charged with racketeering conspiracy, mail fraud, wire fraud and and violating the Commodities Exchange Act.

-Joel J. Fetchenhier, 50, charged with racketeering conspiracy, mail fraud, wire fraud and and violating the Commodities Exchange Act.

-Thomas P. Kenney, 36, charged with racketeering conspiracy, mail fraud, wire fraud and commodities fraud.

-John Ryan, 50, charged with mail fraud, wire fraud and violating the Commodities Exchange Act.

-Sheldon Schneider, 47, charged with racketeering, mail fraud and violating the Commodities Exchange Act.

-John A. Vercillio, 45, charged with racketeering conspiracy, mail fraud and violating the Commodities Exchange Act.

The trial before U.S. District Judge George Marovich is the second resulting from the FBI probes. A third trial involving CME yen traders began its fourth month Monday.

If the first trial is any indication, deliberations could take a while. Thattrial involved three CME Swiss franc traders and ended in July when, after 11 days of deliberations, jurors delivered a partial verdict and said they were hopelessly deadlocked on the remaining charges.

Two defendants were found guilty on lesser commodity fraud counts, but most of the more serious charges - including mail fraud and racketeering - were left undecided. All three defendants will be retried next year on the remaining counts.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - The 1990 United Press International All-America college football team, listing position, name, school, height, weight, class and hometown:

First Team

Offense

Wide receivers - Raghib Ismail, Notre Dame, 5-10, 175, junior, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Herman Moore, Virginia, 6-5, 197, junior, Danville, Va.

Tight end - Chris Smith, Brigham Young, 6- 4, 230, senior, La Canada, Calif.

Linemen - Antone Davis, Tennessee, 6-4, 310, senior, Fort Valley, Ga.; John Flannery, Syracuse, 6-4, 301, senior, Pottsville, Pa.; Joe Garten, Colorado, 6-3, 280, senior, Placentia, Calif.; Ed King, Auburn, 6-4, 284, junior, Phenix City, Ala.; Stacy Long, Clemson, 6-2, 275, senior, Griffin, Ga.

Quarterback - Ty Detmer, Brigham Young, 6-0, 175, junior, San Antonio.

Running backs - Eric Bieniemy, Colorado, 5-7, 195, senior, West Covina, Calif.; Darren Lewis, Texas A&M, 6-0, 220, senior, Dallas.

Kicker - Philip Doyle, Alabama, 6-1, 190, senior, Birmingham, Ala.

Defense

Linemen - Moe Gardner, Illinois, 6-2, 250, senior, Indianapolis; Russell Maryland, Miami, 6-2, 273, senior, Chicago; David Rocker, Auburn, 6-4, 264, senior, Atlanta; Chris Zorich, Notre Dame, 6-1, 266, senior, Chicago.

Linebackers - Maurice Crum, Miami, 6-0, 222, senior, Tampa, Fla.; Michael Stonebreaker, Notre Dame, 6-1, 228, senior, River Ridge, La.; Alfred Williams, Colorado, 6-6, 236, senior, Houston.

Defensive backs - Darryl Lewis, Arizona, 5- 9, 186, senior, West Covina, Calif.; Todd Lyght, Notre Dame, 6-1, 184, senior, Flint, Mich.; Ken Swilling, Georgia Tech, 6-3, 230, junior, Toccoa, Ga.; Tripp Welborne, Michigan, 6-1, 201, senior, Greensboro, N.C.

Punter - Brian Greenfield, Pittsburgh, 6-1, 170, senior, Sherman Oaks, Calif.

Second Team
Offense

Wide receivers - Lawrence Dawsey, Florida State, 6-1, 195, senior, Dothan, Ala.; Manny Hazard, Houston, 5-9, 172, senior, Daly, Calif.

Tight end - Kirk Kirkpatrick, Florida, 6-2, 223, senior, Valrico, Fla.

Linemen - Dean Dingman, Michigan, 6-2, 292, senior, East Troy, Wis.; Mike Heldt, Notre Dame, 6-4, 267, senior, Tampa, Fla.; Eric Moten, Michigan State, 6-3, 285, senior, Cleveland; Greg Skrepenak, Michigan, 6-6, 320, junior, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Mike Sullivan, Miami, 6-4, 272, senior, Chicago.

Quarterback - Shawn Moore, Virginia, 6-2, 210, senior, Martinsville, Va.

Running backs - Greg Lewis, Washington, 5-11, 202, senior, Seattle; Mike Mayweather, Army, 5-8, 184, senior, St. Louis.

Kicker - Chris Gardocki, Clemson, 6-2, 193, junior, Stone Mountain, Ga.
Defense

Linemen - Mitch Donahue, Wyoming, 6-3, 260, senior, Billings, Mont.; Huey Richardson, Florida, 6-5, 244, senior,
Atlanta; Kenny Walker, Nebraska, 6-4, 240; senior, Crane, Texas.

Linebackers - Darrick Brownlow, Illinois, 5-10, 233, senior, Indianapolis; Mike Croel, Nebraska, 6-3, 225, senior, Sudbury, Mass.; Levon Kirkland, Clemson, 6-2, 230, junior, Lamar, S.C.; Scott Ross, Southern Cal, 6-2, 235, senior, El Toro, Calif.

Defensive backs - Jesse Campbell, North Carolina State, 6-3, 210, junior, Vanceboro, N.C.; Richard Fain, Florida, 5-11, 186, senior, North Fort Myers, Fla.; Eric Turner, UCLA, 6-1, 207, senior, Ventura, Calif.; Will White, Florida, 6-1, 204, sophomore, Tallahassee, Fla.

Punter - Cris Shale, Bowling Green, 6-0, 190, senior, Beavercreek, Ohio.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - Environmental factors besides cigarette smoking may be playing a significant role in boosting cancer rates in industrial nations to an all-time high, a new report suggested Monday.

A greater percentage of people appear to be developing cancer and dying from the disease in developed countries than ever before, concluded a 345-page study released by The New York Academy of Sciences.

Cancer currently causes about 2.3 million of the 11 million deaths reported annually in industrial nations. About one in four deaths in the developed world are due to cancer today, compared with about one in five deaths in 1968, said Devra Lee Davis, co-editor of the report comprised of studies by 24 researchers from 11 nations.

Smoking remains the largest single, preventable cause of cancer in developed nations, accounting for about 30 percent to 40 percent of cancer deaths, primarily from lung cancer, Davis said.

However, even when lung cancer is excluded, deaths from all other types of cancer have risen about 9 percent in men since 1950, Davis said. The cancer death rate also went up among women, but the increase was not as great and a few nations like France even reported a decrease, she said.

An Italian study found cancer was to blame for nearly 40 percent of deaths among people under age 70 in that nation's heavily industrialized Bologna region, and cancer deaths have steadily increased in the area over the past three years.

''It is very important that as we continue our efforts against smoking ... we ask what other causes of cancer there are so we can figure out how to prevent those cancers,'' said Davis, who is an epidemiologist and toxicologist with the National Academy of Sciences in Washington.

Among the cancers that have been on the rise, particularly among older people, are breast cancer, brain cancer, a cancer of the blood called multiple myeloma a skin cancer called melanoma, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and kidney cancer.

''The question has to be asked 'What could be causing these increases?''' Davis said. ''The fact these cancers are increasing simultaneously throughout the industrial world, in both men and women, suggests it would be foolish not to look for their causes.''

In his study, Alan Lopez of the World Health Organization said longer life

expectancies, improved diagnosis and better record keeping may be partly responsible for the growing number of cancer deaths.

But Lopez added: ''It is quite probable that the increase in death rates largely reflects a real increase in cancer risk.''

In the report, Bernard Goldstein of the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in Rutgers, N.J. argues that exposure to low levels of benzene, a chemical found in gasoline and industrial solents, elevates the risk of contracting blood cancers like multiple myeloma.

A mathematical analysis of lung cancer among non-smokers in the United States, Japan and Italy found the rate has risen over the past 30 years, and aU.S. women who does not smoke currently faces a greater lung cancer risk than her smoking counterpart in 1955. However, American Cancer Society researchers attacked that conclusion, reporting in another chapter that their data showed no increase of lung cancer among non-smokers.

Davis emphasized that the search for possible cancer-causing factors in the environment should not focus only on chemicals. ''It could include aspects of modern transportation, modern lighting, and it certainly could prove to be very complicated,'' she said.

To underscore the need to step up efforts to pinpoint non-smoking carcinogens, Davis noted that researchers wasted precious time by attributing the rise in lung cancer in the 1940s to better diagnosis rather than the real cause - increased smoking.

John Bailar of McGill University in Montreal agreed that new strategies are needed to combat cancer.

''Taken together, these sets of trends indicate that the worldwide effort to control cancer has failed to attain its primary objective - substantial reduction of the overall cancer death rate,'' said Bailar, who urges an emphasis on cancer prevention rather than treatment.

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BEIJING (DEC. 10) UPI - A Chinese man studying in Texas returned to his homeland Monday to demand an ''open and fair'' trial for a leading dissident accused of plotting to overthrow the communist government.

Ge Xun, 31, said he was not afraid to risk arrest for standing up for the jailed dissident and went so far as to demand that the hardline government protect his own freedom of expression.

''What I'm going to do will be perfectly legal,'' said Ge, a doctoral

candidate in physics at Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas.

''My friend Wang Juntao is going to be tried,'' Ge told reporters upon arriving at Beijing's Capital Airport. ''I want to listen to the court and be witness to the fairness of the court.''

Wang, a 32-year-old editor and jailed dissident, faces trial on serious political charges of counterrevolution and sedition for his participation in the 1989 Tiananmen Spring democracy movement.

Chinese authorities singled out Wang as a mastermind of the massive 1989 protests, officially branded a ''counterrevolutionary rebellion.'' There has been no word as to the date of Wang's trial or whether it would be open to the public.

Ge, who has studied in Texas for four years and intends to return to finish his degree, contacted western news agencies in the United States to inform them of his mission on behalf of Wang, who he said he met in 1982.

But no sooner had Ge begun to speak to reporters at the Beijing airport than a Chinese man who appeared to be Ge's friend began dragging him away.

''Let's go, let's go,'' the man cried hysterically, at one point putting his hand over Ge's mouth to prevent him from speaking.

As a puzzled crowd gathered, the man pulled Ge out of the terminal and into a taxicab.

The bespectacled Ge appeared overwhelmed by the crush of people but said he felt there ''probably'' was a real possibility he could be arrested for his outspokenness.

''But I'm not really afraid of that,'' Ge told reporters in English as onlookers jostled for a glimpse.

Ge's wife, Lu Jin, contacted by telephone in Texas, said Ge came to Beijing bearing a letter written on his behalf by U.S. Rep. Joe Barton, R-Texas. The letter requests Chinese authorities to guarantee Ge's safety in Beijing and his return to the United States in February.

Lu said she supports her husband's move but is concerned about his whereabouts.

''He was supposed to call immediately (upon arrival) but he hasn't,'' Lu said several hours after her husband's arrival in China.

Ge prepared a statement before his departure declaring the purpose of his mission and requesting fair treatment.

''Based on my observation, I believe Mr. Wang and others are innocent,'' Ge wrote on Dec. 7. ''Their behavior did not violate current law in mainland China.''

The defiant scholar called for ''open and fair'' trials for Wang and other dissidents, describing himself as a Chinese citizen and concerned observer eager to exercise his right to speak out.

''I reserve my right to express my opinion about the court procedure and the fairness of the trial,'' Ge wrote.

''I request the related department of the Chinese government to respect my rights as a Chinese citizen and protect my freedom of travel and freedom of expression.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - Yields fell on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Monday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $10.09 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 6.86 percent, down from 7.06 percent last week and the lowest since July 18, 1988, when the auction yielded 6.76 percent.

The Treasury also sold $10.01 billion of 26-week bills at an average of 6.74 percent, down from 6.96 percent last week and the lowest since July 5, 1988, when the yield stood at 6.71 percent.

The investment rate was 7.08 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,826.60 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26-week bill was 7.07 percent at $9,659.30.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 10) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze met Monday in the first of five planned sessions to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis, humanitarian aid for the Soviet Union and possible dates for a superpower summit.

The two days of talks primarily are aimed at setting the groundwork for an arms pact to be signed next year by President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

But Baker and Shevardnadze also were expected to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis, possible aid to the Soviets and other issues.

Speaking with reporters before the meeting, Shevardnadze said humanitarian aid for his economically struggling nation would be discussed.

''We would appreciate it, probably some food supplies. That is the most key problem and, of course, efficient economic operations,'' Shevardnadze said through an interpreter.

Baker said Bush has been considering food and medical aid to the Soviets.

''He (Bush) also has expressed an interest, and indeed a willingness, to be of assistance to the Soviet Union as they make this transition from one (economic) system to another,'' Baker said. ''It's a transition that's not simple. It's indeed quite difficult. It's something that hasn't been done before.

''I know the president will be very forthcoming in assistance and trying to help.''

But Baker noted legal restrictions dating back to just after World War II limit economic aid the United States can provide to the Soviets.

Monday's opening meeting was to be followed by a tour of Johnson Space Center. A decision by NASA to bring the shuttle Columbia home Monday night apparently ended plans for a telephone hookup between the two leaders and the astronauts.

At the White House Monday, Bush signed measures to implement treaties between the United States and the Soviet Union to limit underground nuclear weapons tests.

Bush expressed hope that the action will ''lead to even more important advances in arms control and the preservation of world peace and security.''

Bush and Gorbachev signed the treaties at their summit in Washington last spring, and Baker and Shevardnadze are to exchange the so-called instruments of ratification Tuesday, thus putting the pacts into effect.

A second face-to-face meeting between Baker and Shevardnadze was planned Monday afternoon, with three meetings scheduled Tuesday. Baker and Shevardnadze were expected to fly to Washington Wednesday for an afternoon meeting with Bush.

''We have a lot of work ahead of us,'' Shevardnadze said Sunday. ''We have to discuss the Persian Gulf situation and to seek ways for a peaceful settlement of this most acute conflict in our time.

''In this city, which was the birthplace of U.S.-Soviet cooperation in space, I hope we shall further solidify our cooperation on Earth.''

If Baker and Shevardnadze agree on the arms treaty, which would reduce U.S. and Soviet long-range nuclear bombers, missiles and submarines, a date for the next superpower summit could be announced.

But high-level diplomacy to get Iraq to leave Kuwait, including a possible Baker trip to Baghdad in January, has made the proposed January date for the next Gorbachev-Bush meeting in Moscow unlikely.

Iraq told the United States Saturday it wants Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to travel to Washington to meet Bush Dec. 17, and Baker to meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad Jan. 12 - three days before a U.N.-imposed Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait or face the possibility of removal by force.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the administration rejected the Jan. 12 date, and that it wants Baker and Saddam to meet in late December or early January. The United States has recommended Baker and Saddam get together Dec. 20, Dec. 21, Dec. 22, or Jan. 3.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - The top analysts of No. 1 U.S. brokerage firm Merrill Lynch & Co. asserted Monday that the economy is in a recession which will bottom out in the middle of 1991 before shifting into a relatively slow recovery.

"In our view the recession we are in will continue through the first half of 1991," Merrill Lynch economist Bruce Steinberg said at the Wall Street firm's annual economic and investment outlook press briefing.

Assuming the recession started in late summer, Steinberg said, "it will last roughly a year - about average for a recession." He said Federal Reserve moves to bring down interest rates are the key to the recovery.

But because of high levels of consumer debt and distress in the U.S. banking system, the economist said, there is likely to be "a more muted recovery than you'd normally see at the end of a recession." Pressed on whether some unpleasant surprises might loom, he added, "I just don't see this turning into a cataclysmic recession right now."

The Merrill Lynch forecast saw a steep decline in the current quarter, with a contraction of three percent in the U.S. gross national product, moderating in the first quarter of 1991 to a negative 1.6 percent GNP change.

But by the second quarter of 1991 growth was expected to be modestly positive with a 0.4 percent GNP expansion, rising to GNP gains of 2.2 percent and 2.7 percent in the third and fourth quarters, respectively.

Merrill Lynch chief market analyst Robert Farrell said he believes the stock market "has had its first step down" to a plateau. But, he cautioned, "there is another step down .. before we have a final bottom."

He called the October 1987 stock market crash a "set-up" which was severe but short with few lasting effects on portfolios and the real economy. The current decline, Farrell said, goes much deeper and will last longer. This means we will "probably stretch the corrective process out into 1991 and not start another bull market until the end of 1991."

He said investors looking to catch that market in late 1991 should by then be about half in government securities and half in growth stocks. They must look for companies with "growth niches" in a mainly sluggish market.

When the recovery has begun, Farrell said, the emphasis will be on investing in the real economy - he gave construction engineering and oil services as two likely winners - vs. financial assets and real estate in the 1980s.

Chief investment strategist Charles Clough said that the driving force of the economic scene in the months ahead will be debt. For consumers and companies alike, he said, "the great postwar debt expansion is unwinding."

The squeeze already seen on financial and legal professionals, as well as the media, and become even more broadly based as indebted companies are forced to cut back. "Leverage will continue to be a killer," he said.

All this will mean, for companies, a shortage of income and growth, so shrewd investors should lock in solid returns by buying high-quality bonds with long maturities, and dividend-paying utility stocks. Technology, engineering, heavy construction and oil stocks will be the best bets, he said.

Bond strategist Thomas Sowanick said investors' focus should be on safety and steady, incremental gains. As the Fed eases interest rates, investors should move into intermediate-term maturities to lock in higher rates.

Mortgage-backed securities have outperformed U.S. Treasury bonds so far this year, Sowanick said. Such issues, backed by the government, will continue to do well in 1991, he predicted. Investors may also want to hold some high-quality, long-date municipal bonds offering higher yields.

Chief international equity strategist Thomas Robinson said that with the U.S. dollar likely to weaken further in 1991 - to as low as 1.35 German marks and 110 Japanese yen - the main opportunity for U.S. investors is overseas, where foreign exchange gains bolster income and capital gains.

Robinson said his favorite foreign markets for stock investments are France, Great Britain, and Spain, which he called "strong valuation stories." Japanese

stocks, though more fairly priced now, offer little advantage, he said.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - 156 former American hostages in Iraq began the final leg of their freedom flight today. A U-S-chartered Pam Am 747 carrying the hostages left Frankfurt, Germany, today and is to arrived at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington this afternoon. The Americans are among the first wave of Westerners released under Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's new order.

A British newspaper reports that Saudi Arabia and the exiled Kuwait government are holding secret talks with Iraq. The paper says the talks envisaged granting the Iraqis part of Kuwait after Iraqi troops withdraw. But senior Saudi and Kuwaiti officials deny the report, saying there will be NO bargaining or surrendering of Kuwaiti territory.

Soviet President Gorbachev today warned top-ranking Communists against breaking up the Soviet Union. Addressing a plenum of the party's Central Committee, Gorbachev bitterly attack ''diehard militant nationalism'' that has fueled secessionist drives in several republics. He said the embattled party must provide the glue to keep the country together.

The astronauts aboard the shuttle Columbia are stowing their gear and packing up for an early return home. NASA ordered the shuttle crew members to close out their astronomy mission one day early because of windy weather barreling toward the ship's desert landing site in California. The crew was scheduled to return tomorrow night.

Cosmonaut Toyohiro Akiyama returned safely to Earth today... making history as both the first Japanese and the first journalist in space. Akiyama spent eight days in space, six of of them in orbit aboard the Soviet space station Mir. He and two Soviet cosmonauts landed in a Soyuz T-M-10 space capsule in the Soviet Union.

Advertising executive Madelyn Miller has come up with a way Americans can work off some anger over the Persian Gulf crisis. Miller says Americans can ''stick it'' to Saddam'' Hussein with her voodoo doll that looks just like the Iraqi president. The doll is becoming a hot item with holiday shoppers.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 10) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Monday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.

Dec 79.97 80.75 79.97 80.70 79.93
Feb 76.35 77.00 76.25 76.88 76.18
Apr 76.20 76.95 76.20 76.88 76.22
Jun 74.10 74.65 74.10 74.55 74.05
Aug 72.70 73.13 72.70 72.93 72.57
Oct 72.70 73.05 72.70 72.90 72.43
Dec 73.75 74.00 73.70 73.80 73.40 Est. sales 18,806 contracts; Friday 15,042; open interest: 67,805 off 1,219

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan 88.95 89.15 88.70 89.00 88.88
Mar 86.25 86.70 86.25 86.57 86.07
Apr 84.55 84.97 84.55 84.85 84.50
May 83.50 83.65 83.40 83.60 83.43
Aug 82.72 83.05 82.72 82.85 82.60
Sep 82.30 82.10
Oct 82.30 82.35 82.30 82.30 82.15
Nov .... 82.35 82.25 Est. sales 2,149 contracts; Friday 1,434; open interest 10,250 up 203.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec 49.25 50.30 49.20 49.95 49.28
Feb 48.25 49.00 48.08 48.88 48.17
Apr 45.80 46.65 45.75 46.50 45.85
Jun 49.55 50.08 49.45 50.00 49.55
Jul 49.85 50.25 49.72 50.00 49.75
Aug 48.75 49.00 48.75 48.90 48.50
Oct 44.20 44.20 43.90 43.90 43.60
Dec .... 44.60 44.55 Est. sales 9,605 contracts; Friday 6,811; open interest: 28,782 off 159

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb 65.30 66.70 64.20 66.70 64.70
Mar 64.20 65.68 63.40 65.68 63.67
May 64.30 65.88 63.40 65.88 63.88
Jul 63.50 64.97 62.90 64.97 62.97
Aug 62.00 62.53 62.00 62.53 60.53 Est. sales 4,229 contracts; Friday 4,724; open interest 12,889 off 52.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Monday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lb 128.85 up 3 cents, 700-850 lb 128.67 up 7 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lb 117.48 up 3 cents, 700-850 lb 116.86 up 1 cent.

Pork carlot trading slow to moderate; demand moderate; fresh pork loins firm to 2.00 higher; Boston butts not fully established; skinned hams 20-26 lb 3.00 to 5. 00 lower; seedless bellies firm to 2.00 higher; pork loins 14-18 lb 103.00-105.00; Boston butts 4-8 lb 78.00; hams 17-20 lb 76.00-87.00, 20-26 lb

62.00-68.00, 32 lb and up 57.00; bellies 10-12 lb 53.00, 12-14 lb 55.00-57.00, 14-16 lb 55.00-57.00, 16-18 lb 52.50-54.00, 18-20 lb 48.00-49.00, 20-25 lb 43.50-45.00.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - The American Electronics Association said Monday the nation's electronics industry made major gains this past year in correcting its unbalanced trade with the rest of the world. The AEA said the U.S. electronics trade deficit for 1990 should be about $1.9 billion, down more than 80 percent from the $9.6 billion deficit in 1989.

"Progress made this year in correcting the negative U.S.-world trade balance in technology products and services is a remarkable accomplishment for our industry," said J. Richard Iverson, president and chief executive officer of the group, which represents about 3,500 high technology companies in the United States.

"Much of the improvement was due to a surge in exports by U.S. electronics firms," Iverson said. "I am encouraged that next year the U.S.-world trade balance will be positive for the first time since 1983." But Iverson said the U.S. industry's efforts to penetrate Japanese markets fell "short of being acceptable."

The trade group said the U.S. electronics trade deficit with Japan decreased about ten percent this year to $18.2 billion, down from $20.2 billion in 1989.

"The balance between our imports and exports of electronic products and services with Japan has not improved significantly since 1979," Iverson said.

The AEA said full-year estimates project trade balance improvement in four of six industry categories. The only segments not expected to show improvement are "computers and related products" and "instrumentation products." The group's projections for U.S.-Japan electronics trade show improvement in all categories but "instrumentation."

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Mounds of bagged garbage and trash built up Monday on the city's sidewalks as private sanitation workers began a strike marked by violence.

Some 2,100 members of Teamsters Local 813, who pick up 40 percent of the city's trash, walked out late Sunday night after rejecting a new contract offered by approximately 250,000 city businesses, including restaurants, hotels, office buildings, stores, and hospitals.

The metropolitan area's first garbage collection strike in nine years also affects private trash collection in suburban Westchester, Nassau, and Putnam counties. Residential pickups were not affected.

A citywide emergency was avoided in 1981 because freezing weather kept towering piles of garbage from rotting and attracting rats, which reportedly outnumber the city's population. Temperatures soared to the low 50s in the first day of the current strike.

Businesses scurried to find alternative ways to dispose of their garbage, urging tenants by leaflet to cut down on paper use and "double bag" perishable rubbish. Forty operators at the city's Department of Sanitation staffed an emergency phone number to take calls from the public relating to garbage buildups that may present a health hazard.

"We're getting hundreds of calls asking who is going to pick up the trash and how the problem is going to be handled," reported one of the operators, Cathy Moss. "We are sending Police and Fire department inspectors to places that report health problems, hospitals first."

In emergency situations, the city "will arrange garbage pickup on an overtime basis" by its sanitation crews and charge businesses "the same as private carters would," said Jim Hart, a Sanitation Department spokesman. "One of the big problems is that garbage bags break open and there is the possilibilty of attracting vermin."

Police reported that tires on 16 Sanitation Department trucks were slashed at a Manhattan parking lot hours after the strike began. In addition, two men were arrested for disorderly conduct at a trash hauling company after an altercation with three replacement workers hired by the company, according to police spokeswoman Officer Janice Swinney.

A fight with baseball bats between a striker and a non-union worker at a Bronx hauling company also was reported, but no arrests were made, Swinney said.

Marty Adelstein, recording secretary for the Teamsters local representing about 2,100 garbage carters, said the workers "intend to stay out until they get a fair offer from the employers." He said he had sent pickets to three "vital" stations - recycling centers in the Bronx and Brooklyn and the Staten Island landfill.

"The men were very disappointed in the final offer made by the hauling firms for a three-year contract featuring a pay freeze until June 1, 1991, followed by a $10-a-week increase until Dec. 1, 1991," Adelstein said. "After that date workers would have gotten a $30-a-week pay increase until Dec. 1, 1992, then another $30 a week in the third year of the contract.

"Initially we were looking for a $60-a-week increase. Our final demand was for a $25-a-week increase in the first year, a $35-a-week raise in the secondand a $35-a-week increase in the third." He added: "Essentially, we were off by about $25." The haulers, who currently make about $40,000 a year, also want improved pension plans and other benefits.

Two large hauling company associations - Allied Sanitation and the Private Carting Industry Association, representing about 65 companies - were the main targets of the strike. Harry Daley, a spokesman for Allied, claimed it sent out a full fleet of 50 trucks Monday manned by about 100 union personnel.

"We've hired security guards to escort these trucks," said Joe Lamigino, one of the hauling company owners. "We pay our men more than union contract. They know the union is being unreasonable in its demands."

Lamigino said a major union motive in calling the strike was to get a share of the traffic in recycled trash that is taken to out-of-state dumping sites by non-union truckers. He said the Teamsters is demanding a $48 contribution to its "kitty" from hauling firms for each out-of-state haul.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - In the face of a collapsing construction market, Lone Star Industries Inc., a long-ailing cement maker, sought Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection Monday.

The Stamford, Conn.-based company, which filed in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in White Plains, N.Y., said it plans to remain in operation, to continue selling assets and to "emerge from Chapter 11 as a viable operating entity."

Lone Star said Chapter 11 will allow it to "restructure around its core business operations" while taking the steps necessary to improve its financial structure.

The company said in a statement it plans to sell "certain of its assets" but did not say which ones or whether it had agreements for such sales. Also, Lone Star said it had rebuffed offers to buy the company from two foreign investors but the board of directors "concluded that shareholders would be better off if the company availed itself of Chapter 11."

News of the filing sent the company's stock plunging $2.675 a share to $2.125 by midday on the New York Stock Exchange.

An analyst, Jonathan Goldfarb, who followed the company for Merrill Lynch & Co. for many years until abandoning coverage last year because of what he believed was a negative outlook, said persistent sales of valuable profitable assets have been a prime source of the company's problems.

"It had been selling off its assets to raise cash to continue paying a big dividend payment despite buckets of red ink," Goldfarb said. "The dividend kept the stock price high enough to prevent someone else from coming in and taking the company over," he said.

"This used to be a fine company," Goldfarb said, "but it was managed into the ground in the 1980s." Goldfarb acknowledged the entire cement industry is in a cyclical downturn but he said many of the other companies are still making money.

Company spokesmen did not respond to repeated telephone inquiries. The company statement suggested that unfair foreign competition was a prime cause of its difficulties.

The Lone Star statement said its board "noted that many countries sell cement in the U.S. at less than they charge at home... Recently the U.S. Government found Mexican producers guilty of dumping," or the sale of a product below the cost of production.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - The Supreme Court Monday entered the private world of journalists and their news sources, agreeing to decide whether a swap of secret information for a pledge of anonymity is a legally binding agreement.

The court will decide whether a reporter who promises anonymity to a source can be sued if he fails to keep that promise.

The court will determine if Minnesota's two largest newspapers, the Star Tribune of Minneapolis and the St. Paul Pioneer Press Dispatch, are liable for damages for reneging on a 1982 agreement made with a source.

A Minnesota trial court ruled they were guilty of breach of contract and misrepresentation, and a jury ordered them to pay $700,000 in compensatory and punitive damages to the source.

But by a 4-2 vote, the Minnesota Supreme Court reversed the award, ruling that the newspapers' actions were fully protected by the First Amendment guarantee of freedom of the press and there was no legal agreement to breach.

The Supreme Court's decision is expected next year.

''There's a good deal at stake,'' said Jane Kirtley, executive director of the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press.

She said the Supreme Court appears ready to ''in my view drastically reduce

the protection that the First Amendment has given to journalists ... the right to make your own news judgments, which is really what this case is about.''

During Minnesota's 1982 gubernatorial race, Dan Cohen was working for the Republican candidate for governor when he provided information about past legal troubles of the Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor.

He gave the information to a political reporter from each newspaper after they agreed not to use his name or ask where he obtained the information.

But the newspapers both identified Cohen as the source of the information they published in the next day's editions. Cohen lost his advertising job as a result.

The newspapers contend the circumstances in this case were unusual because of the political campaign and Cohen's apparent effort to leak information that - on second glance - was not as damaging as it appeared.

The newspapers also talked to the person who initially uncovered the information, and he claimed to have done it at Cohen's behest.

The Minnesota Supreme Court found that a journalist-source pact is an ''I'll-scratch-your-back-if-you'll-scratch-mine'' agreement where both sides benefit - not a legal contract.

In his appeal to the Supreme Court, Cohen's lawyer wrote that the case ''presents explicitly the question of whether the First Amendment permits a media organization to deliberately violate an undisputed and unambiguous promise of confidentiality.''

Courts are occasionally involved in the issue of reporters and sources, but normally only when judges order journalists to reveal the identity of a source deemed important in a trial.

If the court were to rule that a reporter-source agreement is legally binding, it could unintentionally help some journalists who face contempt of court for refusing to reveal their sources , but probably only in civil cases, Kirtley said.

''That's a very high price to pay to get very little,'' said Kirtley.

The decision to review the case comes just weeks after the court refused to halt a prior restraint against Cable News Network, barring it from airing tapes of deposed Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega.

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PARIS (DEC. 10) UPI - At least 11 people died when an early snowstorm swirled through Britain, France and Spain, paralyzing traffic, knocking out electricity in tens of thousands of households and making Paris resemble Monday a scene from the opera ''La Vie Boheme.''

Among the casualties were two skiiers and three others who were injured when heavy snow set off a rockslide near the French-Italian border, crushing their car as they returned from a week-end Alpine jaunt, firemen said.

The injured skiiers were taken to a hospital at Bordighera, Italy, for treatment following the accident Sunday night between Breil-sur-Roya and Vintimille, said the firefighters.

All five were French citizens. They were still wearing their skiing clothes when the rocks rumbled down onto their Toyota. The dead were a young man and a young woman sitting in the back seat.

At Val-de-Vesle, in the Marne area near the city of Reims, another motorist died when his car skidded on an icy highway and slammed into a tree, killing the driver instantly, police said.

About 140,000 homes remained without electricity in the Rhone-Alpes region following the week-end weather.

Three high-speed TGV trains scheduled to travel from Paris to Geneva, Chambery and Annecy were canceled Monday morning.

The Mont Blanc tunnel was closed to motorists as were the Alpine Lyon to Grenoble and Lyon to Chambery routes.

Ski station managers were jubilant at the early snowfall, which they said would assure them booming Christmas business. Snow swirled through Paris all day Monday, making many ancient quarters of the City of Light recall a set off the classic opera ''La Vie Boheme'' - the tragedy about life in the winter among impoverished Bohemian artists in the popular neighborhood of Montmartre.

Chestnut salesman and newspaper vendors shivered in scarves, berets and mufflers. Tramps sought refuge on subway benches.

Residents in England and Wales dug out from a week-end blizzard that killed at least eight people.

The storm, described by meteorologists as the worst December snowfall in nearly a decade, appeared to be waning Monday, a spokeswoman for the London Weather Service said.

''Things seem to be getting warmer in much of the country and we are not expecting any real bad weather over the next few days,'' said Alison McLure, a

meteorologist with the Weather Service.

The sudden onslaught of arctic conditions, which began late Friday, stranded travelers at airports, railway stations and in their cars and cut off dozens of rural villages.

Rescuers combed the moors and fields of north and central England and parts of Wales for people who may have been buried in snow drifts, reported to be as deep as 12 feet in some places.

A farmer in North Yorkshire, cut off as he tried to bring his sheep to a lower pasture, stayed alive by building a makeshift igloo and remaining in it for 27 hours in freezing conditions. Rescuers found Howard Stevenson, 56, buried in the snow as they searched with long poles. A Royal Air Force helicopter was called in to airlift him to a nearby hospital.

One crewman described Stevenson as ''very, very cold'' when he was found but said his condition improved dramatically after a thermal blanket was wrapped around him.

One man was found dead in his car in Nottinghamshire, 128 miles north of London, while awaiting rescue. Road accidents claimed at least one life and an 83-year-old woman died of head injuries when she was blown off her feet by a gust of wind.

More than 50 motorists on a road near Durham, 252 miles north of the capital, were rescued after spending up to 24 hours trapped in their cars.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 10) UPI - Soybeans, corn and wheat closed slightly higher Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade. Oats were narrowly mixed.

Trading was choppy for much of the day with conflicting reports helping drive prices higher and lower. Reports that the United States is more likely to give medical rather than food aid to the Soviet Union prompted selling. But later reports that the USSR has asked for food and other help, and that Secretary of State James Baker promised a sympathetic response prompted buying.

Steady basis levels and light country movement contributed to the strength across the floor.

Gains in soybeans were tempered by limited trading of soymeal overseas.

Corn rallied from session lows on light commercial buying.

Wheat was higher on professional and commission house buying, and on reports

that Morocco bought 100,000 tons of optional-origin wheat. Algeria also said it has rebid for 100,000 tons of bonus wheat.

At the close, corn was up 3/4 to 2 1/2, wheat was up 1/4 up 1 1/4, soybeans were up 1/2 to 3 and oats were off 1/4 to up 1/2.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 10) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.52	2.54 3/4	2.52	2.53 1/4	2.53
Mar	2.66 1/2	2.68 1/4	2.65 1/2	2.67 1/4	2.66 1/4
May	2.74 1/2	2.76	2.73 1/2	2.74 3/4	2.73 3/4
Jly	2.79	2.80	2.77	2.78 3/4	2.78 1/2
Sep	2.84 1/2	2.84 1/2	2.84 1/2	2.84 1/2	2.83 3/4
Dec	2.95	2.96	2.95	2.96	2.94 3/4
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.26 3/4	2.27 1/4	2.25 3/4	2.26 3/4	2.26
Mar	2.37 1/4	2.38	2.36 3/4	2.38	2.37
May	2.44 3/4	2.45 3/4	2.44 1/2	2.45 1/2	2.44 1/2
Jly	2.50 1/4	2.52 1/4	2.50 1/2	2.52	2.50 1/2
Sep	2.50 1/4	2.52 1/4	2.50 1/4	2.52	2.50 1/4
Dec	2.49 3/4	2.52	2.49 1/2	2.52	2.49 1/2
Mar	2.57	2.58 1/4	2.57	2.58 1/4	2.56 1/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.11 1/4	1.11 1/4	1.10 1/4	1.10 1/4	1.10 1/4
Mar	1.21 1/2	1.21 1/2	1.20 1/4	1.20 1/2	1.20 3/4
May	1.26 1/4	1.27	1.26	1.26	1.26 1/4
Jly	1.32 1/2	1.32 1/2	1.32	1.32	1.31 3/4
Sep	1.37	1.37	1.37	1.37	1.36 1/2
Dec	1.46	1.46	1.45 1/2	1.45 1/2	1.45 1/2
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Jan	5.96	5.98 1/4	5.91 1/2	5.95 3/4	5.95
Mar	6.11	6.13 1/2	6.07	6.10 1/2	6.10
May	6.26	6.27	6.20 3/4	6.24 3/4	6.23 3/4
Jly	6.37	6.38 3/4	6.32 3/4	6.36 3/4	6.35 1/2
Aug	6.39	6.40	6.36	6.39 1/2	6.37 1/4
Sep	6.27 1/2	6.28 1/2	6.25 1/2	6.28	6.26 3/4
Nov	6.25 1/2	6.27	6.22 1/2	6.25 3/4	6.24 1/4
Jan	6.37 1/2	6.38	6.36	6.37	6.35 1/4
Mar	6.49	6.49 1/2	6.47 1/2	6.49 1/2	6.46 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	21.55	21.55	21.36	21.50	21.53
Jan	21.72	21.76	21.54	21.66	21.73
Mar	22.10	22.10	21.90	21.98	22.10
May	22.35	22.38	22.20	22.28	22.32
Jul	22.45	22.55	22.40	22.46	22.55
Aug	22.45	22.45	22.35	22.35	22.42
Sep	22.35	22.35	22.30	22.32	22.39
Oct	22.30	22.40	....	22.35	22.35
Dec	22.30	22.30	22.20	22.22	22.20
Jan	22.10	22.15	....	22.12	22.15

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	174.50	175.70	173.80	175.00	174.60
Jan	176.50	177.90	175.60	176.70	176.60
Mar	181.80	183.00	180.50	181.90	181.60
May	185.20	186.20	184.20	185.80	184.70
Jul	188.50	189.30	187.70	188.70	188.10
Aug	189.00	190.00	189.00	189.60	188.10
Sep	188.00	189.00	188.00	188.60	187.00
Oct	187.40	187.50	187.00	187.00	185.80
Dec	188.00	189.20	188.00	189.10	188.10
Jan	....	....	....	187.50	187.00

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 10) UPI - Western banking giant Security Pacific Corp., hit by problem loans and seeking to bolster reserves, announced Monday that it would post a fourth-quarter loss of between $320 million and $360 million.

The nation's fifth-largest bank holding company, in an announcement that could be the precursor to similar moves by other large U.S. banks, said it would also get out of merchant banking and focus on its more profitable retail banking operations and consumer and business finance companies.

"Security Pacific has very strong core businesses in California, in the Pacific Northwest, and in our nationwide consumer and business finance companies," said Robert Smith, chairman and chief executive officer. "With this organizational and financial restructuring, we will allocate more of our capital to those strong and very profitable basic businesses."

Smith said Security Pacific said it would add about $850 million to its reserves, most of that due to problem loans. A total of $600 million will be added to reserves for credit losses "due to recent economic deterioration in a number of international and domestic markets." However, management said it plans to maintain the current quarterly dividend at its current level of 63

cents.

The moves had been expected by some analysts, since Security Pacific had announced Friday that it was withdrawing its $100 million note offering one day after the notes were sold.

Banking analyst Tony Howard of Crowell Weedon & Co. of Los Angeles said that the withdrawal of the offering probably came after management realized that it could have significant legal problems by selling the notes prior to announcing the reserve addition and fourth-quarter loss. "Making the offering first was very bad timing," Howard said. "I'd say it was a real blunder."

Security Pacific spokeswoman Deborah Lewis said Monday that the offering had been withdrawn because of the restructuring announcement but would not elaborate.

Howard said many major U.S. banks will probably announce fourth-quarter losses through similar moves, but not until next month. "A lot of banks will probably be using the fourth-quarter as a clean-up quarter," he said. "What Security Pacific is doing is putting a lot of problems behind them."

Howard also said the restructuring would be a positive move because Security Pacific will be ridding itself of the low-profit merchant bank, which arranges credit financing. The merchant bank's return on assets was 0.32 percent for the first nine months of this year, compared with 1.96 percent for the retail bank, not including unallocated corporate items.

Howard estimated that the merchant bank will contribute about ten percent to total earnings. "Future profitability should increase, with the increased focus on business and retail banking," Howard said.

Security Pacific said that its 1990 earnings will be in the range of $160 million to $200 million. For the first nine months, it earned $518.9 million, or $4.18 a share.

Security Pacific's reserve level had been about 47 percent of loans not accruing interest in the third quarter, lower than many other major banks. The addition to reserves should boost that to about 60 percent, Howard said.

In the announcement, Security Pacific said that the reserve to cover the costs of restructuring merchant banking would result in a charge of about $200 million in the fourth quarter.

"We expect to sell, downsize, or completely withdraw from many of our European and Australian activities, due to dramatic and continuing changes in economic and financial markets," Smith said.

Smith also indicated that further cutbacks may be coming. "The plan includes

the consolidation of traditionally profitable wholesale banking units into other parts of the corporation, with the elimination of underperforming units, and those which do not fit well with our consistently profitable core business activities," Smith said.

Smith, noting that the bank had already boosted its reserve for credit losses this year by 60 percent over the prior year to a total of $541 million, the fourth-quarter provision will be in the range of $600 million. "This provision is expected to be approximately $275 million in excess of anticipated fourth quarter loan losses," Smith said.

Smith also said that Security Pacific is also establishing an additional reserve of $50 million for accelerated disposition of commercial real estate acquired through foreclosure.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - A strike delegation went to Chicago Monday to attend a Tribune Co. board meeting at which the fate of the company-owned New York Daily News, in the seventh week of a financially disastrous walkout, may be decided.

Armed with proxies so they can attend the closed quarterly board meeting on Tuesday, representatives of the striking Newspaper Guild and pressmens unions, the AFL-CIO and Local 1199 of the Drug, Hospital and Health Care Workers will present arguments for continuing publication of the tabloid.

Their aim is "not only to keep the paper alive, but to get management to actively negotiate," said Vincent Lee, a spokesman for the guild. "We haven't even talked about economic issues yet. When we do meet for negotiations, management just comes in for ten minutes, then leaves."

Lee said a representative of the hospital workers union, a strong supporter of the News walkout, has worked up a financial report on the ailing News that shows how it could be made a viable operation.

The News, the nation's largest newspaper a decade ago, with a circulation of almost two million, saw its sales drop to about one million copies prior to the Oct. 25 strike, which has cost the parent Tribune Co. an estimated tens of millions of dollars. Wall Street sources said the company's 14-member board may want to cut the company's losses and close the News.

Meanwhile, Local 100 of the Transport Workers Union, representing subway and commuter railroad personnel, called a meeting with News strikers to discuss a response to a federal court order allowing hawkers to sell the News on subway and railroad platforms.

Jim Gannon, a spokesman for the TWU, said the unions would not contemplate a slowdown in train service at the request of George McDonald, head of the Allied Printing Trades Council. McDonald recommended against "a war on the riding public" because many mass-transit riders are union members.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 6 to 13 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.54	9.74	9.54	9.73	9.60
May	9.64	9.80	9.64	9.79	9.68
Jly	9.69	9.84	9.69	9.84	9.74
Oct	9.69	9.82	9.69	9.83	9.74
Mar	9.75	....	....	9.90	9.84

Estimated sales: 6,981 contracts
Open interest: 111,802 off 269
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.71

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 1 point higher to 4 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Jan	22.53	22.62	22.53	22.60	22.62
Mar	22.60	22.61	22.60	22.61	22.65
May	22.80	22.80	22.76	22.77	22.77
Jly	22.85	22.85	22.80	22.83	22.83
Sep	22.81	22.81	22.79	22.80	22.79
Nov	22.81	22.81	22.81	22.81	22.81
Jan	....	....	....	22.81	22.80

Estimated sales: 562 contracts
Open interest: 12,251 up 42

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BOGOTA, COLOMBIA (DEC. 10) UPI - A slate of candidates headed by a former guerrilla leader won a plurality in an election for 70 members of a constituent assembly that will rewrite Colombia's constitution, according to figures released Monday with 91 percent of the votes counted.

But another rebel group announced it would renew its war with the government.

Antonio Navarro, a former leader of the M-19 rebels, headed the list of

assembly candidates of the Democratic Left Alliance, which in balloting Sunday won 925,795 votes, or 27 percent of the 3,438,418 vote total.

Nineteen people aligned with the former guerrilla organization were elected to the legislature, but despite the strong showing the former rebels will not be the dominant force in the assembly, which is to meet for 150 days beginning Feb. 15 to draft changes in the 100-year old constitution.

President Cesar Gaviria has said the constitution must revised with specific articles against violence and the perpetrators of violence.

Apart from the possible changes in the constitution, the voting shows that the once-ostracized M-19, which has vaguely socialist and nationalist goals, has become a mainstream political force in Colombia within a few months of its legalization.

Different factions of the incumbent Liberal Party, if the delegates from different slates under individual leaders were added up, were assured of 26 seats and conservative factions 20 seats.

The M-19 rebels, once one of the most violent in Latin America, surrendered their weapons in March 1990 following a negotiated peace agreement with President Virgilio Barco.

The agreement allowed the rebels to form a political party and pardoned them for crimes committed while rebels.

The surprising results Sunday were marred by a record absentee rate of 75 percent.

Voting centers in Bogota and other cities were relatively deserted for much of the day, despite prodding by virtually all political leaders to get out the vote.

Even a message by Gaviria was ignored by most of the 14 million Colombians over 18 and thus eligible to vote.

One of those most discouraged by the results was former Interior Minister Carlos Lemos, elected to the assembly on the Liberal Party ticket.

Lemos said the voting showed disfavor with Gaviria and he called for the resignations of all cabinet members to allow a reorganization of the government.

''If nothing is done, we will be facing a situation of a country going in one direction and a government going the other way,'' Lemos said.

In the field, the Colombian Revolutionary Armed Forces, the country's largest

and oldest guerrilla group, announced Monday a resumption of war after the military launched an all-out assault against the rebel headquarters in the mountains.

Gaviria's ''intolerance'' and army attacks ''caused a resumption of a war that will have grave consequences for the country,'' said Alvaro Leyva, a deputy-elect to the Constitutional Assembly and leader of the group known as FARC for its Spanish initials.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Gold futures closed Monday 350 to 380 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	372.00	375.70	372.00	374.20	370.30
Jan	374.80	....	....	374.80	371.00
Feb	374.50	377.80	374.40	375.90	372.10
Apr	377.00	380.60	377.00	378.70	374.90
Jun	380.50	383.10	380.50	381.70	378.00
Aug	387.00	387.00	384.20	384.50	380.90
Oct	387.50	....	....	387.50	384.00
Dec	389.50	390.60	389.50	390.60	387.10
Feb	393.80	....	....	393.80	390.30
Apr	396.90	....	....	396.90	393.40
Jun	400.20	....	....	400.20	396.70
Aug	403.60	....	....	403.60	400.10

Open interest: 113,554 up 1,018.

Estimated sales: 29,000 contracts.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (DEC. 10) UPI - Kuwait's exiled Emir Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah accused Iraqi occupation troops of indiscriminate killings of Kuwaiti adults and children and arresting Kuwaiti nationals at random as part of a terror campign.

In a speech marking Monday's anniversary of the U.N. declaration on human rights, Jaber accused Iraqi President Saddam Hussein of a campaign of terror to force Kuwaitis to abandon their country.

''The Iraqi regime is carrying out acts of terrorism against hundreds of thousands of (Kuwaiti) citizens and expatriates, with the aim of forcing them to leave after seizing their valuables and homes,'' Jaber said in a televised speech from his home in exile in the Saudi hill resort of Taif.

The Kuwaiti Emir charged Saddam with trying to change his country's demographic nature and fill the tiny emirate with Iraqis and other Arabs sympathetic to the Iraqi leader.

Jaber urged the world community to stand firm against the ''tyrant and the brutality of Saddam's regime'' against the Kuwaiti people.

''We call upon the world community for further cohesion to repulse the tyrant and the brutality of Saddam's regime against the Kuwaiti people,'' he said.

''Human rights and dignity are daily being violated in Kuwait. This is represented by the executions, mass killings of the children, torture and the indiscriminate arrests,'' the billionaire emir said.

Kuwaiti officials and human rights organizations estimate that Iraqi troops have killed or arrested 6,000 to 7,000 Kuwaitis since Saddam invaded the oil-rich emirate four months ago.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - Philip Morris Cos. and General Motors Corp. each scored double whammies Monday as consumer groups awarded their annual "lemons" for the top ten most deceptive or misleading advertisements.

The giant tobacco company and the car manufacturer, along with six other companies selling everything from fast food to air travel, were cited for "the most misleading, unfair or irresponsible" ad campaigns of 1990 by a coalition of national consumer, public health, and environmental organizations.

"Advertisers have developed a seemingly boundless ability to dupe, deceive, and mislead the American public," said Bruce Silverglade, legal director for the Center for Science in the Public Interest, a nutrition and consumer advocacy group that organized the awards.

"It's about time we started asking what we are getting for the $125 billion that is spent on advertising each year," Silverglade said, "useful information or a barrage of misleading hype?"

Two of the "lemon awards," a victory statuette holding a lemon, went to the Oldsmobile division of General Motors Corp. for television commercials.

In one of the ads, GM claimed to have "pioneered the air bag," but, in awarding the auto maker a lemon, the Center for Auto Safety said in fact the company only briefly produced some full-size cars with air bags in the 1970s and went on to lobby against government regulations requiring air bags. GM now equips fewer of its models with airbags than either the Ford Motor Co. or

Chrysler Motors Corp., according to the group.

Another GM ad was cited by the Safe Energy Communication Council for promoting the Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme model as "fuel efficient" even though it gets lower gas mileage than most of the automaker's other models.

The coalition cited Philip Morris print ads for implying that the Virginia Slims Superslims cigarette can help women stay thin; and for print and television commercials championing the Bill of Rights "as part of a public relations effort to defeat governmental restrictions on tobacco promotion."

At a news conference announcing the awards, Texas Assistant Attorney General Steve Gardner said the winners represented "a primary adage in the advertising business which is if you can't make it better, make it up."

Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., said the need for more government regulation to prevent deceptive advertising "is even greater today as our economy slips into recession.

"The deception we're talking about here cons people into wasting their hard-earned money," Lieberman said, adding the Federal Trade Commission "can and must be more aggressive" in going after false advertisers.

In their sixth year, the lemon citations are officially called the Harlan Page Hubbard Memorial Awards, after the man who pioneered national advertising techniques in the 1890s, largely for such quack medicines as "Lydia Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

Lieberman said a Kellogg Co. commerical for Special K cereal amounted to "a 1990s version of the Lydia Pinkham ads." Kellogg received a lemon from Silverglade's group for "falsely claiming that protein in its Special K cereal can help women maintain healthy muscle tone while dieting."

Most of the advertisements cited by the coalition were created by contracted advertising agencies and four were from a single agency, Leo Burnett Co. Inc. of Chicago.

Asked to comment on what Gardner called "the commemoration of sleaze," Carla Michelotti, Leo Burnett senior vice president and associate general counsel, defended the work of the agency.

"We and our clients have the necessary substantiation for all claims in our ads," Michelotti said. "Advertising will only work if it's truthful and substantiated and that is the basis on which all the Leo Burnett ads are created." Leo Burnett created both of the GM ads, the Virginia Slims ad and the Special K commercial. The other winners of lemons for "worst" ads of 1990:

- Pan American Airlines for claiming its trans-Atlantic fleet "is among the

youngest in the air." Pan Am made the claim by counting its recently overhauled aircraft as new, even though some had been manufactured more than a decade earlier, according to the Aviation Consumer Action Project.

- Coors Brewing Co. for Coors Light commercials encouraging beer drinking to celebrate Halloween, a traditional children's holiday.

- Burger King for "misleadingly promoting membership in its 'Kids Club' to young children."

- Fabulous Hawaiian Sweepstakes for telemarketing techniques using automatic dialing machines and $6 900-number toll calls.

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GUATEMALA CITY (DEC. 10) UPI - Guatemalan rebels said Monday the country's powerful military is prolonging Central America's longest civil war by refusing to participate in peace talks.

In a statement published in Prensa Libre newspaper, the rebels said the government's armed forces are taking a stubborn and recalcitrant posture, thereby impeding a solution to the civil war that has lasted three decades and claimed about 100,000 lives.

The members of the Guatemalan National Revolutionary Union, known by its Spanish initials as URNG, said the miltary refused to participate in the peace initiatives established by Central American presidents in 1987 or the foundations for peace set forth earlier this year in Olso, Norway.

Officials of URNG, an umbrella organization of four guerrilla groups, and representatives of Guatemala's various political parties, religious groups, union and business organizations signed an accord in Norway in March to promote peace talks aimed at finding a political solution to the country's armed conflict.

A military spokesmen denied the allegations and said, ''The military is continuing in the spirit of the peace accords but refuses to negotiate with elements of society that continue to use armed aggression to achieve their political goals.''

URNG representatives said they were using aggression to bring about political change because the military refuses to cooperate in the peace talks.

On July 10, Guatemalan guerrillas accused the government of doing nothing to stop the army from its ''scorched-earth'' bombardment of rural villages in what they described as a campaign of terror.

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#90344u1576 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (DEC. 10) UPI - The shuttle Columbia's astronauts stowed their telescopes and packed for a rare night landing Monday to close out a ''fantastic'' astronomy mission one day early because of windy weather.

After getting off to a rocky start, Columbia's seven-man crew had hoped for a full-duration 10-day mission to gather as much priceless data as possible about some of the most violent stars and galaxies in the cosmos.

But with a windy cold front barreling toward the ship's Mojave Desert landing site, NASA managers ordered Columbia home one day early for a touchdown at 9:51 p.m. PST on concrete runway 22 at Edwards Air Force Base to close out the year's sixth and final shuttle mission.

''You all have had a fantastic mission but all good things have got to come to an end and you're coming home tonight,'' astronaut Story Musgrave radioed the astronauts early Monday from mission control in Houston.

''OK, Story, very good. We'll start getting ready,'' replied Columbia skipper Vance Brand.

Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 47, immediately began packing up for the hour- long glide back to Earth.

Earlier in the day, two Soviet cosmonauts and a Japanese television reporter landed in a snow-covered field in the Soviet central republic of Khazakhstan to close out a successful eight-day visit to the Mir space station by the first journalist in space.

In Houston, Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze visited NASA's mission control center to congratulate the Columbia astronauts on a successful mission.

''I think what you are doing in space is very important,'' Shevardnadze told the crew by radio. ''You are paving new roads in space and I very much believe you are paving those roads for the benefit and for the happiness of all of us on Earth. Let me wish you good luck and a very good landing.''

''We agree with your sentiments,'' Hoffman replied. ''We congratulate you on the good work done by the Mir and Soyuz cosmonauts and we look forward to continued work by nations of all the Earth in developing space, which is so important for the future of humankind.''

Despite the early landing and a string of glitches, officials said data from Columbia's mission will revolutionize knowledge about the structure and evolution of exploding stars, especially violent galaxies and enigmatic quasars, strange objects the size of a solar system that outshine entire galaxies. It may also help prove the existence of as- yet-unseen black holes.

''I consider this mission as nothing less than a total success,'' said Lennard Fisk, NASA's associate administrator for space science and applications.

Deputy mission scientist Eugene Urban said the crew made 220 observations of 140 X-ray and ultraviolet targets during the course of the nine-day flight, ranging from Jupiter and its moons to Comet Levy, interstellar dust clouds and a smorgasbord of other high-priority stars and galaxies.

While 200 astronomical targets were scheduled before launch, NASA officials said the crew's 70 percent success rate was more than acceptable, especially given the unprecedented nature of the observations.

Calling the ''Astro-1'' mission ''a true scientific success story,'' elated astronomers praised Columbia's crew for opening a new window on the invisible universe, giving scientists their first detailed look at X-rays and ultraviolet light from deep space that is blocked by Earth's atmosphere.

''What we're after is understanding how galaxies change with time in the universe,'' said astronomer Susan Neff. ''What we are getting here is more pieces to the big puzzle ... pieces we have never gotten before. ''

Few missions have had as much trouble getting off the ground as Columbia's and once in orbit, the astronauts had to improvise around a variety of potentially crippling technical problems.

Running six months behind schedule because of elusive hydrogen fuel leaks, Columbia blasted off at 1:49 p.m. EST Dec. 2 on its fifth launch try since May 30 and right off the bat, the astronauts ran into problems getting their Spacelab observatory up and running.

After working around problems with a $50 million European-built telescope pointing system, the second of two critical telescope control computers overheated and burned out, leaving the crew with no way to aim the ultraviolet telescopes at their targets.

But in a remarkable display of teamwork and ingenuity, flight controllers and the astronauts improvised a plan allowing engineers on the ground to radio commands to the shuttle to aim the telescopes in the general direction of a given target.

After that, the astronauts, using a joystick hand controller, were able to zero in on the target and keep it centered in the telescopes' field of view as

the shuttle raced along through space. Scientists said the new operating procedure was almost as effective as the original.

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#90344u1577 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - Last September a government advisory panel of marine scientists proposed banning shrimp trawlers from operating in Gulf of Mexico waters for three months a year.

The purpose of the restriction "is to begin rebuilding stocks of fish that are depleted" as a result of becoming entangled and dying in shrimp nets, said Terry Leary, a marine biologist with the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council.

The group advises the National Marine Fisheries Service on conservation measures. But Congress and the Bush administration have ensured that the panel's recommendation will not be implemented until at least 1994.

In a hurried maneuver last October, at the behest of Sen. John Breaux, D-La. and other Gulf-state lawmakers, Congress approved an amendment to a marine fisheries bill that bars the government from imposing conservation measures to protect red snapper, trout, catfish, and other salt water fish water if those efforts adversely effect the shrimp industry.

President Bush signed the law that in essence strips his Commerce Department - which has jurisdiction over the National Fisheries Service - from taking any action until 1994.

"Unfortunately, many Gulf fish populations don't have three or more years before their collapse," said Harry Upton, fisheries director of the Center for Marine Conservation, a Washington organization that promotes marine wildlife conservation.

Representatives of the $374 million-a-year shrimp industry had urged Breaux, chairman of the Commerce Committee's Merchant Marine Subcommittee, to adopt protectionist legislation, saying that any restrictions would pose a serious hardship to shrimpers.

They noted that recent regulations requiring shrimpers to carry devices keeping turtles away from their in nets has already hindered shrimpers. They also contended that the three-month restriction was arbitrary and came at a time when shrimpers were harmed by higher fuel prices.

Breaux, who is up for re-election in 1992, inserted an amendment that directs the National Fisheries Service to collect data for three years on the effects of trawling. Meanwhile, the gulf management council has already assessed mortality stock rates and come to some alarming conclusions.

An estimated ten pounds of fish are snagged and discarded for every pound of shrimp caught in the Gulf of Mexico, marine biologists say. The annual bycatch or volume of fish that die in the process, exceeds one billion pounds, according to Scott Nichols, a marine biologist with the National Fisheries Service. "We provided this information before the amendment was adopted," Nichols said. "The results indicate that the (stocks) are severely depleted."

Nichols and other scientists are particularly concerned about the diminishing stock of red snapper, which until two years of age are vulnerable to trawlers because they are the approximate size of shrimp. The management council estimates that 12.5 million pounds of the premature red snapper are caught and die each year in shrimp trawlers.

The council became so concerned over the dwindling population of red snapper that it proposed changes in commercial and recreational fishing patterns to stem the high losses.

In fact, the National Fisheries Service recently adopted restrictions on commercial fishermen that beginning in January will reduce the annual allowable catch of red snapper from 3.1 million pounds to 2 million pounds.

The National Fisheries Service, with the approval of the Commerce Department, also reduced to two pounds from six pounds the volume of red snapper that recreational fishermen can catch per day.

But it was the proposed three-month shrimping ban that alarmed Breaux. That recommenation, Upton said, was the final blow that catapulted the shrimping industry into action and brought about the Breaux amendment. "It's a play to his constituents that makes it impossible to take any action that might be necessary," Upton said.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 10) UPI - Monday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.43 1/4-2.47 1/4 up 1/4 to 1.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.90 3/4- 5.93 3/4 up 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.28-2.31 up 1.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.38-2.40 up 1/2.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $11 to $24 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.10 to 0.75 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 2.45 cents higher to 0.25 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.32 to 1.32 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $3.50 to $3.90 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.80 to $4.10 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.75 cent to 1.10 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 0.5 to 1 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.006 to 0.013 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Slightly higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Mixed.

American Stocks - Slightly higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed slightly lower in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 3/4 to 2 1/2, wheat was up 1/4 up 1 1/4 soybeans were up 1/2 to 3 and oats were off 1/4 to up 1/2.

Cattle Trade - Firm to $1 higher; top $81.00.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00
Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:
30 to 59 days 7.64
60 to 89 days 7.42
90 to 119 days 7.23
120 to 149 days 7.19
150 to 179 days 7.08
180 to 270 days 7.03

Commercial Paper (range):
Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.75 - 7.15
Issuers 30 days 7.37
Issuers 90 days 7.14
Issuers 270 days 6.96

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:
30 to 59 days 7.90
60 to 89 days 7.67
90 to 119 days 7.50
120 to 149 days 7.50
150 to 179 days 7.50
180 days 7.47
Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:
(Interest rates in secondary market: Bid and Offered)
Overnight 7 3-16 - 7 5-16
1 month 7.75 - 7.875
3 month 7.50 - 7.625
6 month 7 7-16 - 7 9-16
Year 7 7-17 7 9-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:
(Secondary market discount rate: Bid and Offered)
3 months 6.86 - 6.84

6 months 6.72 - 6.70
Year 6.66 - 6.64

Federal Funds: High 7 3-16, Low 7 1/8, Close 7 1/8
Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 7.278 up 0.123.

(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90344u1617 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (UPI) - Actor Corey Feldman pleaded no contest Monday to three drug possession charges and was placed on four years probation, fined $5,000 and ordered to complete his stay at a live-in drug rehabilitation program.

Feldman, 19, whose voice is heard in the film ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles '' and who appeared in the movies ''Stand By Me,'' ''Goonies'' and ''Lost Boys '' entered the pleas before Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Gordon Ringer.

The three drug possession charges - two for heroin, one for cocaine - stemmed from two arrests earlier this year, one in March and the other in September. In both arrests, Los Angeles police had stopped Feldman because of traffic violations, then found drugs.

Ringer ordered Feldman to finish his stay at the Cry Help live-in drug rehabilitation program, which the actor began three months ago. He is scheduled to complete the program in April, spokesman Michael Levine said.

In addition to the $5,000 fine, Feldman was also ordered to pay $150 for drug-testing charges, Los Angeles District Attorney's spokeswoman Sandi Gibbons said.

He will also be required to register with law enforcement authorities as a narcotics offender and was ordered not to drive with any measureable amount of alcohol within his system, Gibbons said.

Two other drug possession charges were dismissed as part of the plea agreement Gibbons said.

Monday's plea agreement stemmed from a Dec. 7 arrest in which Feldman was taken into custody for driving without a license after Los Angeles police officers who stopped him discovered a warrant for an unpaid traffic vioaltion.

Levine said that Feldman believes that the sentence he received is fair. He also said Feldman, although not required to do so, plans to participate in making anti-drug public service announcements once he has completed the stay at Cry Help.

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#90344u1619 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (DEC. 10) UPI - The Jesuit order in Central America said Monday it will not be satisfied with the trial of nine members of the Salvadoran armed forces accused of slaying six priests and two others because it means others will go unpunished.

''We reject any tendency to reduce responsibility for the crime to only those who have been implicated,'' the Society of Jesus said in a statement.

A court resolution moving the controversial case from the investigation stage to the trial stage was read publicly Monday by a secretary in San Salvador's Fourth Penal Court. The resolution states that a colonel, three lieutenants and five soldiers will stand trial on charges of murder and terrorism in the killings of the priests, their housekeeper and her teenage daughter Nov. 16, 1989.

In addition, a lieutentant colonel will be tried on charges of destroying evidence.

Observers have characterized the Jesuit trial as a test case for the Salvadoran government's ability to impose justice and civilian control on a politically powerful military that has traditionally been above the law.

The arrest almost a year ago of eight members of the military implicated in the case was heralded by U.S. officials as a ''historic step'' for the administration of justice in El Salvador.

But a year later the Roman Catholic Church and human rights groups said that the army, with help from the U.S. government, had limited the number and rank of officers implicated in the slayings.

The Jesuits maintained that, ''The dimensions of the crime, the number of members of the armed forces that participated in it, the ring of protection that the killers had during the crime still say to anyone with eyes and intelligence that this was a military operation that was carefully planned, organized and backed by a larger group of military officers, undoubtedly including some of high rank.''

Jose Maria Tojeira, head of the Jesuit order in Central America, told reporters he still hopes the trial will lead to new information ''that would get us closer to the intellectual authors'' of the killings.

''This case is contributing to the Salvadoran reality in the sense that it touches on the impunity of some groups that have acted with impunity in this country for too long,'' Tojeira said. ''It helps to clarify the Salvadoran situation, the injustice of war, the suffering of so many people, the number

of murders. But that is not to say that it has been a success from the legal point of view.''

Tojeira denounced the ''lack of real cooperation from the armed forces, reflected in the numerous contradictions and lies found in the declarations of the many members (of the military) who have testified'' during the year-long investigation.

''We also denounce the lack of cooperation from the Bush administration in the United States, whose intelligence agencies refuse to hand over documents dealing with the murder of our colleagues,'' the Jesuits said.

Outrage over the killings led members of the U.S. Congress to withhold half of the $85 million in 1991 military aid that President Bush had requested for El Salvador. But the administration, which opposed the measure, is already considering release of the aid due to an increase in offensive military operations by El Salvador's leftist rebels.

The United States has pumped $4 billion into El Salvador over the past decade in an attempt to stop rebels of the leftist Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, from taking power. About a quarter of the aid has gone directly to the military that ruled El Salvador for half a century and has been slowly giving up power to civilian governments over the past decade.

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(For Monday)

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Monday	1015.1
Friday	1017.2
Week ago	1017.0
Month ago	1027.7
Year ago	1057.7
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1007.8

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#90344u1629 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - American investors in the Persian Gulf appear to have held firm in the face of the region's crisis and, outside Kuwait, are largely able to conduct business as usual, regional experts heard Monday.

Donald DeMarino, a former deputy Commerce Department assistant secretary, told political and economic experts at a conference "reassessing" doing business on

the Arabian Peninsula that he was not aware of any disinvestment by American companies and that they may now enjoy an advantage over other outside investors as a result of American "political stock" being so high in the region.

He added that he expected the price of oil to settle at $30 a barrel or lower in the near term and that this would provide a budget surplus for Saudi Arabia.

However, DeMarino, now the U.S. representative for the India-based TATA group of companies, warned U.S. investors not to expect oil proceeds to be available for business investment, due to Saudi Arabia's increasing financial aid to other countries in the Middle East and beyond.

There might be pressure in the future for Saudi Arabia to bankroll the Palestinians, a cause the Saudis has traditionally supported, although their relations have been strained by Palestinian support for Iraq during the crisis over Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of oil-rich Kuwait, he said.

When the present crisis has passed, he said, the whole region may see much greater economic cooperation to the extent that "we might be able to look at the Gulf as an integrated market."

The Saudis' two major industries will remain oil and the military, DeMarino said, and the "interdependence" between the United States and Saudi Arabia will deepen as newly discovered reserves of Saudi crude oil come on line and U.S. reserves dwindle.

He said potentially huge new fields of crude near Riyadh, the Saudi capital, could total between five billion and 30 billion barrels, allowing the country to sustain a production of ten million barrels a day.

Prospects for business in Saudi Arabia are improved by a healthy outlook for its political stability, said Walter Cutler, a former U.S. ambassador to the country.

He said the nation's conservative social traditions, seen in such practices as women not being allowed to drive, still enjoy substantial support despite the large presence of foreign troops in the country. This may reflect in part, he said, the fact that fewer young Saudis are now being educated outside the country.

Elsewhere in the region, business in the United Arab Emirates, about 500 miles south of Kuwait, is proceeding more or less normally, said Charles Heath, director of the Trade and Tourism Board in Dubai, the second-largest of the UAE's seven emirates.

However, he named banking, plastics, insurance, advertising, shipping and tourism as businesses that been been adversely affected by the Iraqi invasion

of Kuwait. Still, Heath called Dubai a "safe haven" for business that had continued to attract overseas investment since the invasion.

American companies setting up in Dubai since Aug. 2 have included Texaco Inc., Dell Computer Corp. and Smith Kline & French Laboratories, Heath added.

Earlier in the conference, Michael Sterner, former U.S. ambassador to the UAE, said he believed the international economic embargo on Iraq was "beginning to bite" and should be given more time to work. "My view is that sanctions are hurting Iraq and that we can afford to be patient," he said.

He said a prolonged military conflict would run the risk of alienating many Middle Eastern countries currently sympathetic to American goals in the region.

Even if war does break out, Sterner said, there is little chance that oil exports from the Persian Gulf will be seriously affected because Iraq does not have the means to interrupt supplies. The conference was sponsored by International Executive Reports, publisher of the monthly magazine Middle East Executive Reports.

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#90344u1630 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - The solvency of the insurance industry came under scrutiny Monday as a Senate panel opened hearings to determine whether insurers are heading for the same fate as the beleaguered savings and loan industry.

For the past year, various insurance industry observers have warned that major insurance companies, thanks to the collapsing real estate market, are facing serious questions of solvency.

"If we have learned anything from the S&L crisis, we have learned that to a large degree it was preventable. The warning signs were clear, but unfortunately they were ignored," said Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, and chairman of the antitrust subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

"We must not ignore some of the same signs in the insurance industry - lax regulation, outdated accounting methods, overvalued assets and, in some instances, low capital requirements."

Metzenbaum said he asked six life insurance companies to appear before the panel. All turned the invitation down. "Life insurance companies cannot hide from the American public," Metzenbaum said. "Their failure to appear here today sends a loud and clear message - they cannot stand the tough scrutiny that the public demands and deserves."

Metzenbaum said federal lawmakers have put the insurance industry "on a

pedestal" and sheltered it from taxes, antitrust laws, and federal regulation "on the assumption that state regulators could do a better job of protecting the interest of the public. "We have been wrong."

Insurance companies have grown into a major force in the financial services industry, controlling about $1.9 trillion in assets. A recent study prepared by the IDS Life Co. of Minneapolis showed that 20 percent of the nation's 2,400 life insurance companies could fail in a major economic downturn or decline in equity markets.

Last year alone, 44 insurance companies failed nationwide, said Thomas Borman, commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Commerce. Borman told the panel that the growing involvement of insurance companies in real estate, junk bonds and lower grade municipal bonds during the past decade "materially increased their investment risk."

But the problems that crippled the savings and loan industry are not the same as those facing the insurance industry, Borman said. "I have avoided comparing the situation facing insurers with that of the savings and loan industry," he said. "I have done so because I don't believe the level of risk facing the insurance industry is anywhere near that facing the savings and loans."

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	68 3-8	up	3-4
AT&T Company	29 7-8	unch	
BCE Inc	x34 1-2	up	1-2
Bell Atlantic	56 1-8	up	1-2
BellSouth Corp	55	up	1-4
Exxon Corp	49 7-8	up	5-8
Ford Motor Co	27 7-8	up	1-4
Genl Electric	57 1-8	off	3-8
General Motors	36 7-8	up	3-8
GTE Corp	29 1-8	up	3-8
IBM Corp	113 1-2	up 1	
Mobil Oil Corp	58	up	3-4
Nynex Corp	73 7-8	up 2	1-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24 7-8	off	1-8
Pacific Telesis	46	up	1-2
Phila Electric	17 3-8	up	1-4
Sears Roebuck	25 3-4	off	3-8
Southern Co	27	up	1-8
Sthwestern Bell	55 7-8	off	1-2
US West Inc	38	up	1-2

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2596.78	up	6.68
20 Trans	909.67	unchanged	
15 Utils	210.45	up	0.38
65 Stocks	913.77	up	1.62

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#90344u1660 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2596.78	up	6.68	909.67	unchanged		210. 45	up	0.38
Friday	2590.10	off	12.38	909.67	off	4.12	210.07	off	1.20
Week ago	2565.59	up	5.94	872.04	up	19.04	211.77	off	0.32
Month ago	2540.35	up	51.74	866.68	up	33.29	212. 09	up	1.77
Year ago	2728.24	off	3.20	1201.10	off	8.36	228.81	up	0.06
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90344u1666 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks	-	9,710,000 shares
1990 to date	-	3,170,644,570
Bonds	-	$4,410,000
1990 to date	-	$710,216,000

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#90344u1673 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks	-	138,650,000 shares
1990 to date	-	37,683,757,151
Warrants	-	899,500
1990 to date	-	246,931,600

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#90344u1677 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Monday - $37,540,000
1990 to date - $10,315,097,000

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#90344u1684 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 306.75, low 305.78, close 306.61, up 0.16.

There was no change in the average share price.

Volume 9,710,000 shares, compared with 10, 470,000 Friday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	12
New Lows	42
Advances	257
Declines	316
Unchanged	264
Total Issues	837

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(DEC. 10) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	179.58	up	0.51
ASE Market Value Index	306.61	up	0.16
Dow-Jones Industrial	2596.78	up	6.68

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - The solvency of the insurance industry came under scrutiny Monday as a Senate panel opened hearings to determine whether insurers are heading for the same fate as the beleaguered savings and loan industry.

For the past year, various insurance industry observers have warned that major insurance companies, thanks to the collapsing real estate market, are facing serious questions of solvency.

''If we have learned anything from the S&L crisis, we have learned that to a large degree it was preventable. The warning signs were clear, but unfortunately they were ignored,'' said Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D- Ohio, and

chairman of the Antitrust Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

''We must not ignore some of the same signs in the insurance industry - lax regulation, outdated accounting methods, overvalued assets and, in some instances, low capital requirements.''

Metzenbaum said he asked six life insurance companies to appear before the panel. All turned down the invitation.

''Life insurance companies cannot hide from the American public,'' Metzenbaum said. ''Their failure to appear here today sends a loud and clear message - they cannot stand the tough scrutiny that the public demands and deserves.''

Metzenbaum said federal lawmakers have put the insurance industry ''on a pedestal'' and sheltered it from taxes, antitrust laws and federal regulation ''on the assumption that state regulators could do a better job of protection he interest of the public.

''We have been wrong.''

Insurance companies have grown into a major force in the financial services industry, controlling about $1.9 trillion in assets. A recent study prepared by the IDS Life Co. of Minneapolis showed that 20 percent of the nation's 2,400 life insurance companies could fail in a major economic downturn or decline in equity markets.

Last year alone, 44 insurance companies failed nationwide, said Thomas Borman, commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Commerce.

Borman told the panel that the growing involvement of insurance companies in real estate, junk bonds and lower grade municipal bonds during the past decade ''materially increased their investment risk.''

But the problems that crippled the savings and loan industry are not the same as those facing the insurance industry, Borman said.

''I have avoided comparing the situation facing insurers with that of the savings and loan industry,'' he said. ''I have done so because I don't believe the level of risk facing the insurance industry is anywhere near that facing the savings and loans.''

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#90344u1694 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 10) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Monday - 9,302,000

1990 to date - 2,342,688,000

The market closed slightly higher.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2577.23	2609.41	2566.58	2596.78	up 6.68
20 Trans	907.42	917.35	900.11	909.67	unchanged
15 Utils	210.20	211.33	208.82	210.45	up 0.38
65 Stock	909.12	918.95	904.04	913.77	up 1.62

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	14,427,000	19,548,000
Trans	3,095,300	3,432,700
Utils	2,927,100	4,638,200
65 Stock	20,449,400	27,618,900

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.06	up 0.14
10 Public Utils	93.15	up 0.32
10 Industrials	88.98	off 0.03

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 125.78 up 1.24.

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#90344u1700 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

WEST LAFAYETTE, IN (DEC. 10) UPI - A. Charlene Sullivan, associate professor of management in Purdue University's Krannert School of Management, has been elected to the board of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

One of nine directors of the Chicago board, Sullivan said she was elected to the position because of her research on finance and consumer credit. Her three-year term begins Jan. 1.

Sullivan said board members are responsible primarily for representing the varied interests within the Chicago Federal Reserve Bank district, which encompasses all or parts of Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Michigan and Iowa, to the Federal Reserve System. The 12 regional reserve banks, along with the Board of Governors in Washington, D.C., constitute the nation's central bank.

It is the responsibility of the board members to give the president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago enough information to make a recommendation on

such matters as the discount rate, or the amount banks pay when they borrow money from the Fed.

While the discount rate is not tied directly to interest rates charged nationally, Sullivan said it usually confirms the direction the Fed is taking in monetary policy.

Sullivan, a native of Flaherty, Ky., earned her bachelor's degree in home economics from the University of Kentucky in 1971. She received her master's degree in management in 1975 and her doctorate in finance and accounting in 1978, both from Purdue.

She received the Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award from the Krannert school in 1988, and a Purdue University Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award in 1989.

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#90344u1707 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 32 to 132 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	74.85	76.87	74.85	76.25	74.93
May	74.37	76.00	74.37	75.57	74.37
Jly	74.03	75.15	74.00	74.75	73.96
Oct	68.20	68.65	68.20	68.60	68.20
Dec	65.70	66.10	65.63	65.95	65.63
Mar	66.25	....	....	66.65	66.30
May	66.60	....	....	67.20	66.66

Estimated sales: 15,000 contracts
Open interest: 39,620 off 298
The World spot average: 70.79

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	23.30-23.40	22.70-22.80
North Sea Brent	28.75-28.85	28.25-28.35
West Texas Intermed	26.90-26.95	26.55-26.60
Light Louisiana Sweet	28.15-28.25	27.75-27.85

New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	67.85-68.05	67.25-67.50
No. 2 Heating oil	82.25-82.50	80.90-81.15
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	64.35-64.45	63.50-63.70
No. 2 Heating oil	79.00-79.20	77.95-78.20

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#90344u1727 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (DEC. 10) UPI - A former state senator was sentenced Monday to 12 years in federal prison, the second time this year a former legislator has been sent to prison for political corruption.

Paul Carpenter, 63, stood silently and showed no emotion as U.S. District Judge Edward Garcia handed down the sentence that was a bit less than the 15 years that prosecutors had recommended.

On its face, the sentence was nearly twice the 6 1/2 years given to former Sen. Joseph Montoya, the first lawmaker sent to prison as the result of an elaborate three-year FBI sting investigation aimed at Capitol corruption.

However, Carpenter will be eligible for parole after four years, and Assistant U.S. Attorney John Panneton, who prosecuted Carpenter, estimated he would be released after serving four or five years.

Montoya was sentenced under a different law because his crimes were committed at a later date. Montoya will have to serve about 5 1/2 years of his sentence.

Carpenter was convicted on Sept. 17 of four counts of racketeering, extortion and conspiracy.

According to testimony at this trial, Carpenter accepted a $20,000 campaign contribution in 1986 from a company that wanted his help on a bill. The company, Gulf Shrimp Fisheries, had been created by the FBI as part of its undercover operation.

He also was convicted of extorting or attempting to extort campaign contributions from the California Correctional Peace Officers Association, lobbyists for the Western Growers Association, the Drew University School of Medicine in Los Angeles and Hamilton Test Systems.

In sentencing Carpenter, Garcia said he wanted to set aside the belief that Carpenter was convicted of selling access to his office by making it easier for contributors to get into his office to see him.

''This is not a case of access. This is the proven acceptance of bribe money '' Garcia said.

He noted that lobbyists for the correctional peace officers testified that they believed they were ''shaken down'' by Carpenter. They visited his office to enlist his support for a bill, but instead of discussing the legislation, Carpenter demanded to know why they hadn't contributed to his campaign.

Later, they gave him $1,000.

Carpenter was silent in court and as he left the courtroom.

''On advice of counsel, I do not wish to make a statement,'' Carpenter told the judge.

But his lawyer, Gerard Hinkley, said Carpenter still believes he is innocent.

''He knows he did not extort that money,'' Hinkley told the judge. He argued that an aide John Shahabian, demanded the money from an undercover FBI agent, then told Carpenter he had found a campaign contributor.

Panneton called Carpenter's attitude arrogance.

''Since his conviction, he has shown no remorse,'' Panneton said. ''Even to this day, he doesn't believe he did anything wrong.''

In arguing for a 15-year sentence, Panneton blamed the passage in the November election of Proposition 140, which strictly limits legislative terms, in part on Carpenter.

''People in this state are fed up with the likes of this man,'' Panneton said.

Carpenter, a Democrat from Norwalk, left the Senate after 14 years in the Legislature in 1986 for a Board of Equalization seat.

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#90344u1740 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - The dollar strengthened across the board Monday in New York currency dealings, helped by year-end caution and what appeared to be widening sentiment that the dollar is bottoming out and now stands to gain.

Dealers said the dollar began weak under follow-through selling on what Bank Brussels Lambert vice president for corporate trading Andrew Hodge described as "horrendous, breadline" U.S. unemployment data. The dollar was also hit by a Federal Reserve lowering of short-term interest rates.

But the dollar showed resilience - "market confirmation of signs (by monetary

authorities) about the dollar having fallen far enough," Hodge said.

In late New York dealings, the dollar was at 1.4720 German marks, up slightly from 1.4715 marks Friday, and at 132.20 Japanese yen, up from 130.65. The British pound slipped to $1.9435 from $1.9540.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2610 Swiss francs, up from 1.2535; 5.0050 French francs, ahead from 4.9990; and 1,112 Italian lire, up from 1,110.75.

Manufacturers Hanover vice president Graham Broyd contended that the dollar "is undervalued and has bottomed out against the deutsche mark." Participants are worried central banks will intervene if it falls more.

Though the U.S. economy is in recession, with interest rates falling, Broyd said, "All the bad news is already discounted in the market." Noting that over the past three years the dollar has hit its annual lows near year-end, Broyd concluded, "I think 1991 may well be a mirror of 1990," with the dollar on a recovering trend as the New Year develops.

In Europe, the dollar closed lower on expected further cuts in U.S. interest rates and higher chances of a peaceful Gulf resolution.

The dollar weakened in particular against the German mark. Players looked for the Bundesbank's policymaking panel to hike central rates Thursday to increase the yield differential between the two currencies.

In Frankfurt, the dollar declined to 1.4696 German marks vs. 1.4830 Friday. It also fell in Zurich, to 1.2580 Swiss francs vs. 1.2640. In London, the pound slipped to $1.9455 from $1.9510.

Dealers said U.K. retail figures showing a 0.5 percent slump in November hurt sterling, boding an interest rate cut before Christmas.

The dollar declined in Paris, Brussels and Milan, at 4.9950 French francs vs. 5.0375, 30.46 Belgian francs vs. 30.61 and 1,110.50 Italian lire vs 1,119.

Earlier, the dollar plunged against the yen in Tokyo Monday on expectations of further declines in U.S. interest rates.

The dollar closed at 130.55 yen, down 1.62 yen from Fridays closing rate of 132.17 yen, the Bank of Japan said.

There were expections that the U.S. Federal Reserve Board might be thinking of reducing the official discount rate following Friday's cut in the Federal funds rate, a foreign exchange dealers said.

In Zurich, gold closed higher at $373.65 an ounce vs. $371.50. London gold closed higher, at $374.25 an ounce from $371.

Silver in Zurich closed lower at $4.05 an ounce against $4.15, and in London silver closed unchanged at $4.15 an ounce.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $373.50 an ounce, up from $369.75 Friday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled gold contracts at $374.20 an ounce, ahead from $370.30.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.065 an ounce, down from $4.075 last week. Comex silver ended dealings at $4.05 an ounce, down from $4.055.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austral	.000204	.000207	4890.00	4841.00
Australia dlr	.7657	.7719	1.3060	1.2955
Austria schill	.0966	.0960	10.35	10.42
Belgium franc-c	.0328	.0326	30.47	30.70
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0069	.0070	145.02	142.88
Britain pound	1.9447	1.9610	.5142	.5099
Britain 1-mo	1.9440	1.9525	.5144	.5122
Britain 3-mo	1.9330	1.9427	.5173	.5147
Britain 6-mo	1.8953	1.9062	.5276	.5246
Canada dollar	.8648	.8637	1.1563	1.1578
Canada 1-mo	.8617	.8609	1.1605	1.1616
Canada 3-mo	.8559	.8555	1.1684	1.1689
Canada 6-mo	.8484	.8484	1.1787	1.1787
Chile peso-f	.003088	.003091	323.81	323.47
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001835	.001835	545.08	545.07
Denmark krne	.1767	.1757	5.6600	5.6907
Ecudr sucre-z	.001166	.001160	858.00	861.90
Egypt pound	.3564	.3564	2.8062	2.8062
Finlnd mrkka	.2818	.2803	3.5490	3.5680
France franc	.2001	.1992	4.9970	5.0200
France 1-mo	.1998	.1989	5.0051	5.0268
France 3-mo	.1989	.1982	5.0270	5.0466
France 6-mo	.1976	.1970	5.0610	5.0770
Greece drach	.006615	.006609	151.17	151.32
Hollnd guildr	.6033	.6026	1.6575	1.6595

HongKong dlr	.1282	.1282	7.7995	7.8010
India rupee	.0557	.0557	17.95	17.94
Indo'sa rupia	.000535	.000535	1870.00	1870.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.8110	1.8030	0.5522	0.5546
Israel shekel	.5086	.5045	1.9660	1.9820
Italy lira	.000902	.000902	1109.00	1109.00
Japan yen	.007570	.007616	132.10	131.30
Japan 1-mo	.007607	.007633	131.45	131.00
Japan 3-mo	.007683	.007559	130.15	132.30
Japan 6-mo	.007800	.007743	128.20	129.15
Jordan dinar	1.5509	1.5437	.6448	.6478
Kuwait dinar	3.4258	3.4258	0.2919	0.2919
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000342	.000343	2920.00	2919.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6031	.6242	1.6581	1.6020
Norway krne	.1733	.1724	5.7715	5.8000
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	472,800	467,875
P'pnes peso-z	.0365	.0365	27.36	27.36
Portugl escud	.007743	.007689	129.15	130.05
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5849	.5836	1.7097	1.7135
S.Africa rand	.4009	.4000	2.4942	2.4997
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010599	.010582	94.35	94.50
Sweden krona	.1802	.1794	5.5490	5.5755
Switzrl franc	.7946	.7921	1.2585	1.2625
Switzrl 1-mo	.7940	.7916	1.2595	1.2633
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7926	.7903	1.2617	1.2654
Switzrl 6-mo	.7905	.7885	1.2651	1.2683
Taiwan dollar	.0374	.0374	26.71	26.72
Turkey lira	.000357	.000357	2800.00	2805.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6632	3.6632
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0201	.0201	49.64	49.64
Germany mark	.6803	.6757	1.4700	1.4800
Germany 1-mo	.6794	.6750	1.4719	1.4814
Germany 3-mo	.6775	.6732	1.4761	1.4854
Germany 6-mo	.6740	.6700	1.4837	1.4924
Yugosl dinar	.0992	.0989	10.08	10.11

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Toys R Us	1,932,200	23 3/8	up 5/8
Philip Morris	1,628,100	50 3/4	up 3/4
AT&T Company	1,594,000	29 7/8	unch
Fedl Natl Mtg	1,424,900	34 3/4	up 7/8
LA Gear Inc	1,403,900	16 3/4	up 1 5/8
NCR Corp	1,313,200	91 1/4	off 1/2
Boeing Co	1,283,000	44 7/8	off 5/8
Lone Star	1,207,300	2 5/8	off 2 1/8
IBM Corp	1,173,800	113 3/8	up 7/8
Genl Electric	1,151,700	57	off 1/2
Citicorp	1,138,700	15	up 1/4
Amer Express	1,111,700	21 3/4	off 1/8
Pac Gas & El	1,107,000	24 3/4	off 1/4
Wal-Mart Strs	1,087,800	31	off 3/8
Chase Manhattan	1,045,900	11 1/2	off 1/4

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#90344u1771 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Contl Air Hldgs	555,500	2 1/4	unch
BAT Industries	285,900	11 7/16	off 1/16
Magma Copper Co	236,100	4 1/2	off 1/8
Carnival Cruise	229,400	15 1/4	up 1/2
Energy Service	204,700	2 1/4	up 1/8
Amdahl Corp	193,300	13 7/8	up 1/2
Salomon Phibro	180,100	3 1/4	unch
New York TimesA	171,700	19 3/8	up 5/8
Wang Labs Inc B	166,000	2 7/8	unch
Diasonics Inc	161,600	2 5/8	off 1/16

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(DEC. 10) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade,

Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	239.75	242.10	239.40	241.20	240.05
Mar	241.80	244.10	241.10	243.25	242.05
Jun	....	....	....	245.15	243.95
Sep	....	....	....	247.55	246.35

Estimated volume: 279 contracts.
Open interest: 1,480 up 4

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	327.90	330.30	326.70	329.65	328.25
Mar	330.50	332.90	329.20	332.25	330.90
Jun	333.50	335.70	332.50	335.15	333.70
Sep	....	338.70	335.40	338.05	336.60

Estimated volume: 61,600 contracts.
Open interest: 169,431 up 4,518

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	178.65	180.30	178.35	178.00	179.20
Mar	180.15	181.65	179.70	181.30	180.60
Jun	181.60	182.60	181.60	182.70	181.95

Open interest: 4,626 off 46

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	544.50	548.00	542.00	546.85	544.25
Jan	545.00	549.80	544.20	548.95	546.30
Feb	544.50	549.80	544.50	549.05	546.40

Estimated volume: 4,627 contracts.
Open interest: 9,063 off 51

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(DEC. 10) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6675	up 100
Wash Post	204 1/2	up 6
Duke Pwr pfN	102 1/2	up 5
Am Brands pfA	160 1/2	off 4 1/2
CBS Inc	171	off 3
Ohio Pwr pfC	82	up 3
Pac Enterprise	37 3/8	off 3

Cap Cities ABC	440	up	2 7/8
PSE&G pfI	83 1/4	up	2 3/4
Natl Conv pfE	54	up	2 1/2
Indi Mich pfC	91	up	2 1/2

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Monday:

Market Value	306.61	up	0.16
High Technology	325.14	off	0.91
Capital Goods	322.07	up	1.69
Consumer Goods	397.13	up	0.42
Service	715.01	up	4.85
Retail	1015.83	up	5.63
Financial	358.07	off	1.01
Natural Resources	215.55	off	0.79
Housing-Const-Land	236.76	up	0.36

There was no change in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	404.95	up	0.42
Mid Atlantic	422.29	up	2.70
No Central	409.65	up	1.39
So Atlantic	881.63	off	4.34
So Central	302.23	off	0.98
Mountain	106.17	off	0.58
Pacific	352.88	up	0.02
Foreign	214.27	off	0.60

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(DEC. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	20	17	36
New lows	51	41	32

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	756	60,741,000
Declines	816	57,256,100
Unchanged	473	20,652,900
Total	2,045	138,650,000

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#90344u1792 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 10) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 12
New lows 42

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	257	3,697,800
Declines	316	3,379,100
Unchanged	264	2,633,100
Total	837	9,710,000

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#90344u1793 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

PINEHURST, N.C. (DEC. 10) UPI - Vice President Dan Quayle charged Monday that Congress has the ''luxury of criticism'' on the handling of the Persian Gulf crisis ''without the burden of accountability.''

In a gloves-off address to the Republican Governors' Association Annual Conference, Quayle said ''Congress has not even sworn in its new members, yet already it is playing politics'' by holding hearings on the administration's gulf policies.

He told the governors they ''can deliver the president's message yourselves, instead of relying on congressional hearings or interpretation by the media.''

''As all of you know, in recent weeks Congress has felt obliged to have hearings on the Persian Gulf,'' he said.

''They felt compelled to have hearings, but not compelled to allow the full Congress to vote on the actions taken by the president. After all, Congressmen like hearings because they are allowed the luxury of criticism without the burden of accountability.''

He told the governors ''we need your able assistance'' to pass on the administration's stand.

''Then you, in turn, can deliver the president's message yourselves,'' he said ''instead of relying on congressional hearings or interpretations by the media.''

There have been reports that the administration was preparing to kick off a campaign against Capitol Hill critics who are urging the administration to permit time to let the economic sanctions work against Iraq's Saddam Hussein.

Quayle's remarks appeared to be in line with the new stratgegy.

He said a majority of American people bleieve that the United States ''should

take all action necessary, including the use of military force, to compel Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.''

''Once again, the American people are ahead of Congress,'' he declared.

Quayle said that the American people ''know that unless he (Saddam Hussein) is stopped today, a nuclear armed Iraq will control the bulk of the world's energy supply tomorrow, thereby holding a gun to all of our heads.''

The vice president scoffed at those who have counseled patience. ''George Bush is cautious,'' he said. ''But patience at any price would be a failed policy.''

He said tha Bush ''recognizes that there must be limits to our patience.''

Furthermore, he contended that ''rightly or wrongly the world would attribute such patience to a lack of resolve. Unlimited patience with Saddam would lead to appeasement of Saddam,'' he declared. ''This is unacceptable.''

Quayle also said that Bush ''is not about to enter into negotiations with Iraq - protracted or otherwise.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	383.70	232.90	143.85	23.41	327.75
Opening	382.03	232.26	143.77	23.32	326.51
11 a.m.	382.09	231.84	143.62	23.32	326.50
Noon	384.41	233.22	144.47	23.52	328.53
1 p.m.	384.21	232.97	144.52	23.49	328.37
2 p.m.	384.41	233.10	144.58	23.51	328.54
3 p.m.	384.05	232.28	144.41	23.45	328.17
Close	384.88	233.00	144.56	23.55	328.89
Change	up 1.18	up 0.10	up 0.71	up 0.14	up 1.14

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(For Monday)

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	371.47	off	0.07	361.32	452.42
Industrial	401.51	up	0.23	393.14	441.87
Finance	365.32	off	0.25	350.80	513.62

Insurance	450.23	off	2.92	433.21	558.06
Utility	476.08	up	0.89	459.20	726.42
Bank	257.35	off	3.17	249.86	402.97
Transport	407.38	off	0.60	391.75	488.31

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 163.90 off 0.03

Industrial Index 160.19 up 0.10

NASDAQ-100 Index 398.88 up 0.19

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Monday 398.88 up 0.19.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - As part of an overhaul of the nation's space program, NASA should build a new unmanned rocket to take over many of space shuttle's duties and shrink the proposed space station, a White House report urged Monday.

The shuttle, the centerpiece of the U.S. space program, is too expensive and too risky for the nation to depend on and is unnecessary for many goals of space exploration, such as building a space station, the report said.

Instead, NASA should spend several billion dollars to develop a new launch system that could carry cargo into space for less money and without the risk of losing human life, and perhaps eventually be modified to carry astronauts, it said.

The recommendations came from the 12-member Advisory Committee on the Future of the U.S. Space Program, which was formed in July at the request of the White House to perform a comprehensive review of NASA.

The review came amid a storm of criticism of the space agency sparked by the embarrassing discovery that the long-awaited $1.5 billion Hubble Space Telescope was defective and fueled by the grounding of the space shuttle fleet by hydrogen leaks.

Although the committee resisted calls for a radical restructuring of the agency, the panel concluded NASA has been ''trying to do too much'' with not enough money or time.

''America's civil space program is at a crossroads,'' panel chairman Norman Augustine said. ''NASA is neither as troubled as some would suggest but not nearly as good as it will have to be to carry out the kind of space program that we recommended.''

NASA should focus on two goals - a ''Mission to Planet Earth,'' which would involve launching a set of satellites to study Earth's environment, and a ''Mission from Planet Earth,'' which would involve exploring Mars, the panel said.

As such, the controversial proposed space station Freedom, which Congress ordered NASA to redesign, should be made less complex and expensive and should focus on helping prepare for long space flights and microgravity research.

The panel also suggested a number of bureaucratic changes, including implementing a new personnel system and perhaps how it operates centers around the country to avoid counterproductive competition, the report said.

In calling for reducing the role of the shuttle, the panel concluded what NASA has previously acknowledged - that there is a strong likelihood that a shuttle will explode again as it did in the 1986 Challenger disaster.

In hindsight, the panel said it was a mistake to risk seven human lives and one-fourth of the shuttle fleet to place a communications satellite in orbit - the primary goal of the Challenger mission.

Humans should continue to travel into space, but only when necessary, the panel said.

''We're concerned that the space shuttle may be the thin reed that supports our entire civilian space program,'' said Augustine, chairman of the Martin Marietta Corp. in Bethesda, Md.

''We can't count on not losing another space shuttle in the not-too- distant future,'' he told a crowded news conference. ''In fact it would not be at all surprising to us that we would lose at least another shuttle before the space station is on orbit. Because of that, I think we need to prepare ourselves both emotionally and in terms of hardware and infrastructure.''

NASA Administrator Richard Truly, stressing the space program is as safe as possible but ''it's a risky business,'' said his agency would take ''each of the recommendations most seriously.''

Vice President Dan Quayle, who heads the National Space Council, said the

panel would meet in six months to determine what progress NASA had made on the recommendations, which Quayle said would give NASA a ''needed shot in the arm.''

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#90344u1807 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	371.59	369.72	371.47	off 0.07
Industrial	401.736	399.41	401.51	up 0.23
Finance	365.36	363.33	365.32	off 0.25
Insurance	452.82	447.89	450.23	off 2.92
Utility	476.63	471.69	476.08	up 0.89
Bank	260.70	255.95	257.35	off 3.17
Transport	407.95	405.44	407.38	off 0.60

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	163.90	off 0.03
Industrial Index	160.19	up 0.10
NASDAQ-100 Index	398.88	up 0.19

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share	8.04 unchanged
Volume	80,683,304 shares
Advances	727
Declines	791
Unchanged	1,250
Total	2,768

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	179.58	178.41	179.58	up 0.51
Industrial	221.82	220.27	221.82	up 0.64
Transport	142.19	141.55	141.96	off 0.31
Utility	91.56	91.10	91.55	up 0.27
Finance	122.43	121.62	122.42	up 0.38

Equivalent to a gain of 9 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 138,650,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	111,250,700
Advances	879
Declines	935
Unchanged	2,380
Total	4,194

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(DEC. 10) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.15	7.25	8.44
91-day Treasury bills	7.07	7.12	7.66
182-day Treasury bills	7.04	7.08	7.38
1-year Treasury bills	7.10	7.15	7.24
3-year Treasury notes	7.39	7.42	7.76
7-year Treasury notes	7.90	7.96	7.83
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.13	8.19	7.89
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.55	8.64	8.69
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.50	9.54	9.12
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.60	8.62	8.84
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.85	8.89	8.91
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.03	9.09	9.13
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.01	9.06	9.12

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) (DEC. 10) UPI - Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis Monday asked President Bush for ''some sort of political protection'' to help Lithuania in its quest for independence from Soviet rule.

Landsbergis told reporters, ''I have reason to believe the president will take action.''

The Lithuanian leader was on a private trip to the United States after meeting with leaders in Canada. During the 30-minute Oval Office meeting, he said, ''The president promised he would consider various options after consultations with his advisers.''

Landsbergis said he would like the United States ''to make very clear statements'' regarding the sovereign rights of Lithuania, and he noted that in 1920 the Soviet Union affirmed those rights in a treaty.

But in 1940, Moscow annexed Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia. However, the United States has never recognized the annexation of the three Baltic states and views them under occupation.

''My meeting today with President Bush has given me a great deal of confidence with the United States,'' he said. ''The Republic of Lithuania is being attacked by the Kremlin through various means. We are being threatened with economic catastrophe and military action against us. Therefore, the purpose of my trip was to ask for some sort of political protection.''

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said in a written statements that Bush ''reaffirmed United States policy pertaining to th Baltic States'' and told Landsbergis the United States supports ''the right of Lithuania and the other Baltic states to self determination.''

''The president added that the United States has never recognized the forcible incorporation of the Baltic States into the U.S.S.R. and assured President Landsbergis that this policy would not change,'' Fitzwater said.

He added that Bush indicated that he and other senior administration officials had made this point directly on more than one occasion to senior Soviet officials.

Fitzwater also stressed the United States wants a peaceful solution to the problem between the Baltic States and the Soviet Union.

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UNITED NATIONS (DEC. 10) UPI - The U.N. Security Council delayed again Monday a debate on whether to hold an international peace conference on the Middle East because of U.S. opposition, diplomats said Monday.

The 15-nation council met formally for about three minutes Monday afternoon and suspended the session to see if further negotiations between American and non-aligned diplomats can devise a compromise resolution on the conference.

The council met Saturday night after U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering and Malaysian Ambassador Ismail Razali held day-long negotiations on a resolution to be voted on, but the vote was postponed until Monday because the document was not ready.

Pickering and Razali, who negotiates on behalf of four non-aligned countries, were unable to produce a resolution when the council reconvened Monday afternoon, diplomats said.

In addition, diplomats in general saw no urgent need to convene the conference because of the gap between Israelis and Arabs.

They said the Security Council's next meeting on the Middle East conference may take place Wednesday, a day after President Bush and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak are to meet in Washington. They said they wanted to wait also for results of meetings in Houston Monday between Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

The Soviet Union's U.N. ambassador, Yuliy Vorontsov, said there have been Middle East problems for 40 years and a ''few more days'' of discussions are needed. He said negotiations between Pickering and Razali made progress but he did not elaborate.

Other diplomats, who asked for anonymity, said the council was not ready to discuss the convening of a conference to resolve the Arab- Israeli conflict.

At issue is a draft resolution supported by Malaysia, Cuba, Colombia and Yemen the four non-aligned in the council, that was submitted for a vote in early October. The draft seeks more protection for Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip since the Oct. 8 riots on the Temple Mount. At least 17 Palestinians were killed by Jerusalem police who intervened to stop rock-throwing Palestinian demonstrators.

The council delayed action on the draft because the United States opposes a U.N.-organized Middle East conference with the participation of the Palestine Liberation Organization. Washington is reluctant to veto the draft because it needs the Arab coalition to fight Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, whose troops invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

Diplomats said several options were discussed to break the impasse in the debate on the Middle East conference. One is to call for the international meeting but defer it at a later date, or have it announced by the president of the council instead of including it in the resolution, which has for effect to

be less effective and non-binding on all U.N. member states.

The non-aligned wanted Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to appoint a commissioner for the West Bank and Gaza Strip, a move strongly opposed by Israel.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - 156 American hostages released by Iraq are due to land shortly at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington. The Americans are among hundreds of Western hostages freed by Saddam Hussein four months after Iraqi tanks invaded Kuwait.

President Bush today finally acknowledged to being a bit tired and said he's been hit with ''a touch of the flu.'' The admission follows six weeks of heavy travel that took him from Massachusetts to California, from Europe to the Persian Gulf and from South America to the White House tennis court.

The Food and Drug Administration today approved a new contraception option for women for the first time since the birth control pill. The implantable birth control device called Norplant lasts up to five years and appears as safe and effective as the pill.

A new report suggests environmental factors other than cigarette smoking may play a significant role in boosting cancer rates in industrial nations. It says a greater percentage of people appear to be developing cancer and dying from the disease in developed nations than ever before.

A San Antonio judge today dismissed an obscenity charge against a Texas record store owner for selling a copy of an album by the controversial Miami rap group 2 Live Crew. David Risher had been charged with promoting obscene material.

In Los Angeles, actor Corey Feldman pleaded NO contest today to three drug possession charges. The 19-year-old, who appeared in ''Stand By Me, '' ''Goonies'' and ''Lost Boys,'' was placed on four years probation, fined five-thousand dollars and ordered to complete his stay at a live- in drug rehabilitation center.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - Navy Secretary Lawrence Garrett said Monday three senior Navy officers had trouble with the idea of telling senior Pentagon officials bad news about their aircraft program.

One admiral was ordered to retire, a second was censured and transferred and a

third was censured and given a different reporting chain of command following the revelation that the A-12 Avenger was at least $1 billion over budget and 18 months behind schedule. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney had said development of the plane was on time and within its budget.

Garrett, testifying to the House Armed Services Committee about a major embarrassment both for Cheney and the Navy, said the officers had access to data that warned of problems with the plane, under development by General Dynamics and McDonnell Douglas and designed to replace the carrier-based A-6 bomber.

''It was a human error in judgment. ... There was raw data that was received from the contractors ... that properly outlined and properly reported ... that we had a serious problem,'' said Garrett.

''The problem is we have developed over many years a system that is almost adversarial and at the same time it creates advocacy. It is very hard to push bad news up to the top,'' said Garrett.

He told the panel that ''people are very reluctant if they think their program is going to be harmed ... they bring forward the best face on the situation at hand.''

As a result of the probe into the program's problems, the head of the Naval Air Systems Command, Vice Adm. Richard Gentz, was ordered to retire. Rear Adm. John Calvert, the A-12 program executive, and Capt. Lawrence Elberfeld, the program manager, were censured and will be reassigned.

Elberfeld was in line to become an admiral, and Garrett opted to let him get the promotion. But at the hearing, Rep. Andy Ireland, R-Fla., said he has asked President Bush to deny the promotion to Elberfeld.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board Monday approved the acquisition of DeNovo Florida Federal Savings Bank, of Tampa, Fla., by a unit of NCNB Corp., of Charlotte, N.C.

DeNovo has been formed to acquire the assets as assume the liabilities of two branches of American Savings and Loan Association, of Miami. NCNB, with assets of $69.2 billion, operates banking subsidiaries throughout the Southeast and is the fifth-largest banking concern in Florida.

The two American branches to be acquired by NCNB control $24 million in deposits in Hernando Country. The Fed said the acquisition would not have a significant adverse effect on bank competition in Florida.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - With memories of horror and tears of joy, 156 former American hostages returned to the United States Monday, among the first Westerners freed under Saddam Hussein's order to release all ''guests.''

Hundreds of family members, many waving American flags and wearing yellow ribbons, cheered as a U.S.-chartered Boeing 747 jumbo jet carrying their loved ones landed at suburban Andrews Air Force Base, Md. , at 4:45 p.m. EST.

''This is wonderful,'' exclaimed Ann Daher of Delmont, Pa., whose son, George Daher, 50, had hid out in Kuwait since Iraq's Aug. 2 takeover of the oil-rich nation.

The former hostages were initially greeted on the plane by State Department officials and then taken by bus to an athletic complex at the Air Force base. They are to spend the night at area hotels.

''I loved leaving Kuwait,'' said Paul Brown of Columbus, Ohio, who had holed up at the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait for more than three months.

Daher and Brown were among those Americans who came out of hiding so they could return home. They left Kuwait and Baghdad on Sunday and flew to Frankfurt, Germany, before beginning the final leg of their freedom flight Monday.

They left Iraq aboard a U.S.-chartered Iraqi Boeing 747, but switched planes in Frankfurt to a U.S.-chartered Pan Am 747 for the eight-hour trip to Washington.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater spoke in reserved terms about the release and declined to predict when an estimated 575 other Americans would be permitted to return home.

''We remain cautious and concerned until everyone of them is on our soil because we have no control of what they (the Iraqis) might do,'' Fitzwater told reporters.

Fitzwater said the administration had no indication that Iraq was trying to delay the release, but said, ''It remains to be seen if this pace of release continues.''

A second U.S.-chartered Boeing 747 is to leave Baghdad on Tuesday, but Fitzwater said even after this one arrives, other Americans are expected to still be in Kuwait and Iraq.

State Department officials have said that some Americans may have not yet

received the word from Voice of America broadcasts to come out of hiding and to report to the airports in Kuwait and Baghdad. Others may choose to stay, they said.

A State Department spokesman said there were 156 Americans on the chartered plane to Andrews Monday. They were joined by 32 other Westerners.

Fitzwater said he had no indication that any Americans were still being held by Saddam as ''human shields,'' but refused to rule it out.

Saddam announced last week that he was freeing the hostages and hoped that all would be home by Christmas. Fitzwater said, ''The president's initial statement - 'I'll believe it when I see it' - still stands.''

The press secretary said, ''We will continue to take people out as fast as we can, as fast as we are allowed.''

The Americans who left Kuwait and Iraq Sunday were joined by hundreds of other Western hostages headed home. They came from more than half dozen nations, including Italy, Japan, Canada, Great Britain and Holland.

The former American hostages cheered and cried as they stepped off their plane in Frankfurt late Sunday and into the arms of joyous relatives.

American Matthew Allen fought back tears as he described the burned cars and garbage heaps that littered the streets of the Kuwaiti capital.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 457.26, up 0.21 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.96	9.61
Anchor Fund Inv	14.32	15.19
Delaware Mutual	17.13	18.37
Fidelity Fund	16.61	16.61
Investor Mutual	11.29	11.89
Investor Stocks	18.53	19.50
Investor Select	8.55	9.00
IDS Equity Plus	8.99	9.46

MFS Growth Stk	8.85	9.54
Nicholas Income	3.10	3.10
Utd Accumulated	6.24	6.82
United Income	17.22	18.82
Vang Wellington	16.63	16.63

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - House and Senate delegations are heading for Saudi Arabia this week to meet with American service personnel as well as Saudi Arabian, Israeli and Egyptian leaders.

Rep. Anthony Beilenson, D-Calif., is leading a 19-member bipartisan House delegation. They will leave Tuesday and return Dec. 15.

The House members plan to meet with U.S. and Saudi forces in Saudi Arabia and meet with leaders in Saudi Arabia and Israel.

The eight-member Senate delegation will be led by Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine. They plan to leave Thursday and return Dec. 20.

''It is important for members of Congress to have first-hand knowledge of the serious issues in the Persian Gulf. Through meetings with our allies, briefings with U.S. military commanders and discussions with our servicemen and women in Saudi Arabia, I am hopeful that this trip will increase our understanding of the issues in the Middle East,'' Mitchell said.

The senators will travel to Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, where they are scheduled to meet with King Fahd. Following military briefings and meetings with service personnel in Dhahran, the delegation plans to travel to Cairo, where they are scheduled to meet with Egyptian President Mubarak and other officials. The senators also plan to travel to Jerusalem to meet with Israeli officials.

The House delegation includes Democrats Beilenson, Butler Derrick of South Carolina, Barbara Kennelly of Connecticut, Thomas Lantos of California, George Darden of Georgia, Mel Levine of California, William Richardson of New Mexico, Wayne Owens of Utah, Michael McNulty of New York, Donald Payne of New Jersey, William Sarpalius of Texas and J. Glen Browder of Alabama.

The House Republicans, lead by Henry Hyde of Illinois, are David Dreier of California, Herbert Bateman of Virginia, James Saxton of New Jersey, Barbara Vucanovich of Nevada, Elton Gallegly of California and James Inhofe of Oklahoma.

The Senate delegation, all of whom are Democrats, include Mitchell, Max Baucus of Montana, Richard Bryan of Nevada, Bob Graham of Florida, Herbert Kohl of Wisconsin, Charles Robb of Virginia, Richard Shelby of Alabama and Paul Simon

of Illinois.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - The former U.S. Customs Service chief, defending actions by the Keating Five senators, told a Senate panel Monday members of Congress should be able to do anything they want to pressure executive branch officials as long as it is ''not unlawful.''

On the 15th day of hearings before the ethics committee, William von Raab, customs commissioner from 1981-89, was one of several witnesses who testified on behalf of Sen. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz.

The committee must decide whether Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., DeConcini, John Glenn, D-Ohio, John McCain, R-Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich., improperly pressured bank regulators to benefit indicted former savings and loan operator Charles Keating Jr., who made $1.3 million in political contributions to the lawmakers. Cranston and DeConcini increasingly have become the focus of allegations of improriety.

Countering testimony from several of the regulators who accused the senators of improper conduct, von Raab defended the right of elected representatives to oppose vigorously decisions of executive branch and regulatory agencies.

''Whatever the approach the senator took - as long it was not unlawful - was acceptable to me,'' von Raab testified.

''If someone tried to bribe me or tried to get a constituent to pay me, that would certainly be too much. ... I've had it all. I've had vulgar language. I've had obscenities. I've had 'I'm going to get you fired.' I've had everything and I know that (as an agency head) I have the ultimate decision.''

Von Raab said he scrutinized notes of an April 9, 1987, meeting between the five senators and four regulators, one of two 1987 meetings that form the backbone of the case against the lawmakers.

''I have been through exercises similar to this many, many times,'' von Raab testified. ''I didn't think they were improper when I was (the customs commissioner) ... and I don't see what was improper here.''

Von Raab also indirectly criticized a fellow Reagan administration official, former Federal Home Loan Bank Board Chairman Edwin Gray, who was an important witness against the senators.

Gray met with the senators on April 2, 1987, but said he was unable to answer detailed questions by the senators about a continuing investigation of Keating's troubled Lincoln Savings and Loan of Irvine, Calif. One week later,

Gray sent four subordinates to meet with the Keating Five to provide further information.

''It is the agency head's responsibility to deal with members of Congress,'' von Raab testified. ''So I think it is inappropriate and unfair, if not somewhat cowardly, to pass a hot potato to a subordinate. ''

Later, former Keating employee David Stevens, former tax director for Lincoln's parent company, American Continental Corp., testified that he believed McCain had not intended to reimburse the ACC for thousands of dollars in air fare for family members on flights on corporate jets in the mid-1980s.

Stevens said McCain reimbursed the company for his own air fare, but made reimbursements for the family members' fares only after an ''onslaught of adverse publicity.'' McCain has paid ACC $15,433 in reimbursements. Stevens estimates the total reimbursements should have been about $16,870.

Stevens later testified he had no way of knowing McCain's true intentions and indicated he had a grudge against the senator, saying, ''From my perspective, Senator McCain left at the first sign of trouble. '' McCain had a falling out with Keating in March 1987 after Keating called the senator a ''wimp,'' witnesses have said.

Lincoln failed in 1989, becoming the largest collapse in the nation's S&L scandal and costing taxpayers some $2 billion to bail out. Keating has been indicted on state securities and fraud charges in California and is the target of a continuing federal grand jury probe.

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MANAGUA, Nicaragua (DEC. 10) UPI - The government devalued the cordoba currency by 7 percent against the U.S. dollar, pushing prices for gas and other petroleum products higher, the Central Bank said Monday.

But the bank did not devalue the new cordoba oro currnecy, which remains fixed at a one-for-one exchange rate with the dollar.

The cordoba was devalued to 2.3 million to the dollar from theprevious exchange rate of 2.14 million, the bank said.

One dollar on the black market bought 2.5 million cordobas Monday, up from earlier rates of between 2.22 million and 2.4 million cordobas.

The Central Bank said the devaluation increased prices of petroleum products by an average of 7 percent.

The price for a gallon of gasoline rose to 5.4 million cordobas, or $2.35,

while diesel and kerosene prices rose to 3.3 million cordobas, or $1.45, a gallon.

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CINCINNATI (DEC. 10) UPI - Eagle-Picher Industries Inc. said Monday three plaintiffs in a personal-injury asbestos suit have filed a petition to force the company into involuntary bankruptcy.

The company called the action, filed in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Cincinnati ''totally without merit.'' The company said it was meeting all of its obligations to vendors, creditors and lenders on a timely basis.

''The company does not believe that any of the three have standing to bring the petition because one has already been paid and the other two have not submitted the releases which are a condition to payment,'' Eagle-Picher said in a statement.

''We believe that this filing is an act of desperation on the part of certain members of the plaintiffs' bar, whose goal is to sabotage efforts currently under way for a class-action solution to the litigation,'' said Chairman Thomas E. Petry.

''This class action would break the massive backlog of asbestos personal injury claims that is choking this country's state and federal judicial systems,'' he said.

Petry said the company intended to ask for an expedited ruling on the filing and seek court-ordered reimbursement for costs and damages to the business that may be incurred because of the petition.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - Navy Secretary Lawrence Garrett said Monday three senior Navy officers had trouble with the idea of telling senior Pentagon officials bad news about their aircraft program.

One admiral was ordered to retire, a second was censured and transferred and a third was censured and given a different reporting chain of command following the revelation that the A-12 Avenger was at least $1 billion over budget and 18 months behind schedule. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney had previously said development of the plane was on time and within its budget.

Garrett, testifying to the House Armed Services Committee about what has become a major embarrassment both for Cheney and the Navy, said the officers had access to data that warned of problems with the plane, under development

by General Dynamics Corp. and McDonnell Douglas Corp., the St. Louis-based contractors on the A-12 program. The plane is designed to replace the carrier-based A-6 bomber.

''It was a human error in judgment. ... There was raw data that was received from the contractors ... that properly outlined and properly reported ... that we had a serious problem,'' said Garrett.

''The problem is we have developed over many years a system that is almost adversarial, and at the same time it creates advocacy. It is very hard to push bad news up to the top,'' said Garrett.

He told the panel that ''people are very reluctant if they think their program is going to be harmed. ... They bring forward the best face on the situation at hand.''

As a result of the probe into the program's problems, Vice Adm. Richard Gentz, head of the Naval Air Systems Command, was ordered to retire.

Rear Adm. John Calvert, the A-12 program executive, and Capt. Lawrence Elberfeld, the program manager, were censured and will be reassigned. Elberfeld was in line to become an admiral, and Garrett opted to let him get the promotion.

But at the hearing, Rep. Andy Ireland, R-Fla., said he has asked President Bush to deny the promotion to Elberfeld.

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COLLEGE PARK, Md. (DEC. 10) UPI - The NCAA will not further punish the University of Maryland for infractions committed by Coach Gary Williams and some members of his basketball staff, the governing body said in a letter the school received Monday.

Williams and some of his assistants watched a preseason pickup basketball game during the fall semester of 1989, and issued practice equipment during the summer of 1990. Both acts are violations of NCAA rules.

As self-punishment, the staff involved were reprimanded and this season's opening of practice was delayed for five days until Oct. 20.

In a letter signed by David Berst, the NCAA's assistant executive director for enforcement, said: ''Please note that the committee (NCAA committee on infractions) has accepted the university's actions as appropriate in this matter and concluded that no additional penalty should be imposed by the committee.''

University President William Kirwan said ''the actions of the athletic department in taking decisive measures in the face of violations has resulted in this positive report from the NCAA.''

Said Athletic Director Andy Geiger: I am most pleased by the NCAA's action. It is good news, but it is also time to move forward with the ''

The Maryland Terrapins already are on probation this basketball season because of violations committed before Williams took over as head coach on June 13, 1989. Maryland cannot appear on television and is barred from receiving an NCAA tournament berth.

''All concerned have been given the message of the importance of knowing and complying with the rules and regulations governing our activities,'' Geiger said.

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MIAMI (DEC. 10) UPI - The Miami Dolphins have clinched their first playoff berth since 1985, and they are not only pleased with the return to postseason play, but how they did it.

''I just got word that we're in. Yea,'' said Coach Don Shula with a grin. ''Of course, that was our first goal going into the season. We've now accomplished that, so we were all pretty happy when that news came.''

The NFL office figured out late Sunday night, hours after Miami's 23- 20 overtime victory over the Philadelphia Eagles that the win coupled with Cincinnati's loss to the San Francisco 49ers assures Miami of a wild-card playoff berth.

The Dolphins, 10-3, are still only a game behind Buffalo for the lead in the AFC East and play the Bills, 11-2, at Buffalo Dec. 23. The winner of the AFC East seems certain to wind up with the best record in the conference. That will mean a bye in the first round of the playoffs and the home field advantage throughout.

''All of us know what the importance is of what goes on the last three ball games and the competition with Buffalo for the home field advantage,'' Shula said. ''We'd much rather play here than travel.''

Miami finishes its schedule by playing Seattle at home Sunday, Buffalo on the road and Indianapolis at home in the regular-season season finale. Buffalo plays at the New York Giants Sunday and then after the game with the Dolphins, plays at Washington.

Miami put itself in position to overtake the Bills with a Dan Marino- led rally that began in the last half of the last quarter Sunday night.

The Eagles took a 20-10 lead with 10 minutes to go, but Miami roared back with a six-yard touchdown pass from Marino to Mark Duper and a 34- yard field goal by Pete Stoyanovich to tie the score in regulation.

After an exchange of three punts, Miami took the ball down to the 22 where Stoyanovich kicked a 39-yard field goal.

''It was such a good game. It makes it much more enjoyable that we clinched a playoff spot,'' said receiver Jim Jensen, who had key catches in both the drive to tie and the winning drive in overtime.

There was more to the win than winning a playoff spot. The Dolphin players took a great deal of pride in beating a team from the NFC that most people consider to be a tough, physical opponent. The Dolphins' losses have been to the New York Giants, the Washington Redskins and the Los Angeles Raiders.

All have been able to run the ball up the middle on the Miami defense and to shut down the Dolphins' running game.

''This was a big victory because our previous losses were to physical teams,'' veteran running back-receiver Troy Stradford said. ''Not only did we beat a physical team, but we won it in overtime in an important game.''

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(DEC. 10) UPI - 156 former American hostages returned home late today... in an emotional arrival at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington. They had flown from Frankfurt, Germany aboard a U-S-Chartered Pan Am 747 among the first wave of Westerners released under Saddam Hussein's new order. Among those returning was Paul Brown of Columbus, Ohio. Brown said- ''I loved leaving Kuwait.'' Brown had holed up at the U-S Embassy in Kuwait since shortly after Iraq's August 2nd invasion.

A White House reports recommends a major overhaul of NASA. The report says that as part of the changes, the space agency should build a new unmanned rocket to take over many of the space shuttle's duties. It says the shuttle is too expensive and too risky. It also suggests NASA shrink the proposed space station. The report comes amid a storm of criticism of NASA including crippling hydrogen leaks and the embarrassing discovery that the long-awaited BILLION-dollar Hubble Space Telescope was defective.

Garbage is piling up in New York amid a strike by more than two- thousand sanitation workers. The members of Teamsters Union local 813 walked off the job late last night after rejecting a new contract. It's the Big Apple's first

garbage collection strike in nine years. Businesses today scurried to find alternative ways to handle their garbage, urging tenants by leaflet to cut down on paper use and ''double bag'' perishable rubbish.

In Los Angeles, seven deputies were convicted today in the worst corruption scandal to hit the L-A County Sheriff's Department. Six were convicted of stealing seized drug money... and a seventh was found guilty of laundering thousands of dollars. A federal jury returned the guilty verdicts on its seventh day of deliberations in the case. The jury acquitted three deputies on three counts involving the alleged theft of more than a half-Million dollars from drug traffickers.

The Food and Drug Administration has approved an implantable birth control device for women that lasts up to five years. The F-D-A's long- awaited action on Norplant was hailed by family planning groups as a major step towards widening the contraceptive options available to American women. The F-D-A says the device appears as safe and effective as birth control pills.

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SPRINGFIELD, Ill (DEC. 10) UPI - Illinois corrections officials said Monday they will resume selling inmate-produced tax-free cigarettes to counties for resale to their prisoners, reversing an earlier decision.

The cigarettes, nicknamed ''states,'' are made by inmates at the Menard Correctional Center. For years, county jails such as St. Clair and Madison have purchased 75 to 100 cases of the smokes annually.

The state had stopped selling the tobacco products to the jails because the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms advised the Corrections Department it could try to collect more than $450,000 in back taxes if the state continued its sale of the tax-free tobacco products.

''Several weeks ago, on the advice of our attorneys, we stopped selling them to counties,'' said Corrections spokesman Nic Howell.

That had some sheriffs fuming.

''What you have is the federal government trying to tax the state,'' said St. Clair County Sheriff Mearl Justus. ''That's nuts. One taxing body taxing another is like the Internal Revenue Service investigating the post office. Who do you root for?''

A non-smoker himself, Justus worried the lack of cigarettes in ''the cooler'' might cause county jails to heat up.

''Cigarettes take the edge off. You have people coming in here who are already

on edge, and a cigarette works like a a tranquilizer for them. If we take them away, I think we're inviting trouble,'' Justus said.

Cigarettes were purchased with money from the inmates' commissary.

Howell said attorneys with the Corrections Department have taken another look at the issue.

''There's a new opinion. It says we can go forward,'' Howell said. ''We've got documentation from ATF that says we can.''

Howell added state prison industries produce dozens of items, which are usually sold to the Corrections Department, other state agencies, other governmental agencies and a few non-profit groups.

The cigarettes carry the names ''Pyramids'' and ''Southern Lights'' and Madison County Sheriff Sheriff Bob Churchich said they are not worth a trip to jail, even at 45 cents a pack.

''If you have the guts enough to smoke those things, you ought to be in jail '' Churchich said of the ''states,'' which he said are bought for their price - not their flavor.

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#90344u2183 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 10) UPI - Amid tears of joy today, 156 former American hostages landed at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington this afternoon with hundreds of family members cheering and waving American flags and wearing yellow ribbons. Ann Daher of Delmont, Pennsylvania, whose son George had hid out in Kuwait, exclaimed- ''This is wonderful.'' The former hostages were taken by bus to an athletic complex at the Air Force base and will spend the night at area hotels.

The U-N Security Council has delayed again a debate on whether to hold an international peace conference on the Middle East because of U-S opposition. Diplomats say the 15-nation council met formally for about three minutes this afternoon and suspended the session to see if further negotiations between U-S and non-aligned diplomats can devise a compromise resolution on the conference.

Lithuania is asking the United States for ''some sort of political protection'' to help the Baltic republic in its quest for independence from the Soviet Union. Lithuanian President Vytautas Lansbergis told reporters in Washington- quote- ''I have reason to believe the president will take action.'' The Lithuanian leader met with President Bush for 30 minutes in the Oval Office. He said Bush promised he would consider various options after consultations with his advisers.

In Houston, federal officials say nine men have been indicted for their

alleged roles in a cocaine smuggling ring that brought more than 11 tons of the drug into the United States. Officials say the ring also allegedly laundered more than 30-Million dollars in drug proceeds in the United States. Officials say the cocaine was smuggled from Mexico into the Rio Grande Valley, where it was kept in a ''stash house'' until it could be moved to Houston. From there, the drug was distributed throughout the country.

A federal judge in Sacramento, California, today sentenced a former state senator to 12 years in federal prison for political corruption. 63-year-old Paul Carpenter stood silently and showed NO emotion as U-S District Judge Edward Garcia handed down the sentence. It was a bit less than the 15 years that prosecutors had recommended. But it was nearly twice the six-and-one-halfyears given to former Senator Joseph Montoya, who was sent to prison in an F-B-I sting investigation aimed at Capitol corruption.

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#90344u2197 12/10/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 11) UPI - The Pacific Stock Exchange, faced with a declining volume of business said Monday that it is taking steps to reduce operating costs in 1991, including cutting as many as 40 jobs from its staff.

The PSE, which operates trading floors in Los Angeles and San Francisco, said that the cost savings will be achieved through cuts in general operating expenses, additional efficiencies through new technology, and a 7 to 9 percent reduction in the PSE's 436-employee staff, through attrition and lay-offs.

''The securities industry has been hard-pressed by lower trading volumes since 1987,'' said PSE Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Lee Korins.

The PSE has reported a nine-month loss so far this year of more than $1 million.

The exchange's year-to-date options volume is 24 percent below 1989 trading activity. Its equities volume has fallen 8 percent, but the value of stocks traded is off 15 percent.

''In many ways, we've fared better than other exchanges and most Wall Street firms under these conditions,'' Korins said. ''But as we look ahead, the realities of the 1990s dictate lean, efficient operations to remain competitive.''

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(DEC. 10) UPI - Iraq's Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz says he's disappointed in President Bush's reaction to the ongoing release of Western hostages. In an interview today Aziz criticized Bush's comments that he will now be easier for

him if the United States opts for a war to resolve the standoff in the Persian Gulf.

Scretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze met in Houston today- the first of five planned sessions to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. The two officials will also talk about humanitarian aid for the Soviet Union and possible dates for a superpower summit in the two days of discussions.

The shuttle Columbia's astronauts are packing their telescopes and getting ready for an early landing early tomorrow at Edwards Air Force Base in California. Excellent weather is expected at the planned landing time. The ship is coming down early due to a windy cold front headed toward the ship's Mojave Desert landing site.

A New York jury is showing signs of fatigue and strain as it deliberates for an 11th day in the trial of two youths charged in the beating and rape of a jogger in Central Park. The panel appears to be concentrating on events surrounding the confession of one of the youths charged. The suspect's attorney says he was tricked into making a confession by police.

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(DEC. 10) UPI - The White House spoke in reserved terms about today's arrival of 156 former American hostages outside Washington, D-C. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater would NOT predict when an estimated 575 other Americans held by Iraq will return.

The Columbia astronauts are looking at an early end to a mission described as ''fantastic'' by mission control in Houston. The shuttle will land early tomorrow at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

Israel's army chief of staff says the military will continue to strike at what he termed ''that hard-core, murderous and violent element'' that attacks Israeli soldiers. Dan Shomron today visited the West Bank town where an Israeli soldier was killed in a bombing yesterday.

An 11th day of deliberations did NOT end in a verdict in the trial of two youths charged in the rape and beating of a jogger in New York's Central Park. The panel will resume its marathon deliberations tomorrow morning.

Illinois corrections officials say they'll resume selling inmate-made tax-free cigarettes to counties for resale to their prisoners. One county sheriff say the smokes are NOT worth a trip to jail. In Bob Churchich's words- ''If you have the guts enough to smoke those things, you ought to be in jail.''

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#90344u2657 12/10/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 10) UPI - House and Senate delegations head to Saudi Arabia this week to meet with U-S troops as well as regional leaders. Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell says it's important for lawmakers to- in his words- ''have first-hand knowledge of the serious issues in the Persian Gulf.'' A bi-partisan House delegation leaves tomorrow while the Senate group leaves Thursday.

While lawmakers are preparing for their journey to the Middle East, many relieved Westerners are headed home. 156 former American hostages returned to the United States today... several days after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said he would release all his so-called foreign ''guests.'' The planeload that arrived outside Washington, D-C, this afternoon flew from Baghdad to Germany yesterday.. . among about 700 hostages flying to freedom.

The shuttle Columbia will end its astronomy mission early, touching down early tomorrow at Edwards Air Force Base in California. In Houston, Secretary of State Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze visited NASA's mission control center to congratulate the astronauts on a successful mission. Shevardnadze radioed the crew- ''You are paving new roads in space... for the benefit and happiness of all of us on Earth.''

Gunfire in the Philippines capital of Manila- where it's Tuesday already. Police say a lawyer and a police officer were killed in ambushes within 35 minutes of each other in the city's tourist district. .. apparently by the same gunman. Police say the motives for the killings are under investigation, but witnesses gave similar descriptions of the suspect in both slayings.

A Michigan man apparently had some trouble at work. Police say a 19- year-old man allegedly stole a Greyhound bus yesterday, but he didN'T drive far. The Bay City resident reportedly drove the stolen bus three blocks to the restaurant where he worked as a cook, then repeatedly rammed the building. Police say have NOT determined the motive for the bizarre incident.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 10) UPI - Vice President Dan Quayle attended the Redskins-Bears football game at RFK Stadium, and said he was rooting for Washington despite his Midwest heritage.

Quayle, along with wife Marilyn, sat in the mezzanine-level box of Redskins owner Jack Kent Cooke.

Asked Sunday who he was cheering for, the vice president said during halftime, ''the Redskins,'' even though his home town of Huntington, Ind., is just 130 southeast of Chicago.

Washington beat the Bears, 10-9, rallying from a 9-0 halftime deficit.

Accompanying Quayle to the game were two police sharpshooters perched below a bank of lights along the rim of the stadium.

Also a guest of Cooke's was Virginia Gov. Douglas Wilder.

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LANDOVER, MD (DEC. 10) UPI - The Washington Bullets Monday waived guard Larry Robinson, who had been on the injured reserve list since Nov. 27 with tendinitis in his left ankle.

Robinson was moved to the injured list when guard Ledell Eackles, who missed training camp and the beginning of the season in a contract dispute, returned to the team.

Robinson, who started 10 of the Bullets' 19 games, averaged 6.7 points per game and 2.4 assists for Washington.

''It is with great reluctance that we waive Larry Robinson,'' said Bullets General Manager John Nash. ''He has a great work ethic, a fluid style of play and the potential for an NBA career. But with the return of Ledell Eackles, we were forced to make a roster move.''

While at Centenary College in Louisiana, Robinson was the Trans America Athletic Conference's 1989-90 Most Valuable Player after leading his team to its first conference championship.

Another change on the roster looms for the Bullets. Forward John Williams is still on the suspended list. Williams skipped all of training camp in a dispute with the team over rehabilitation of a knee he injured in December 1989. He missed the rest of last season, gained at least 40 pounds and is not expected to get into playing shape until next month.

Once he is ready to return, the Bullets will have to move someone off the roster.

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#90344x1747 12/10/1990 ~Comtex

NEW YORK (DEC. 10) UPI - CBS has reshuffled its Friday night schedule, cancelling ''Bagdad Cafe,'' putting ''Over My Dead Body'' and ''Uncle Buck'' on hiatus, and replacing them with ''Guns of Paradise'' and the long-delayed ''Sons and Daughters,'' it was announced Monday.

''Bagdad Cafe,'' starring Whoopi Goldberg and Jean Stapleton, had its last broadcast Nov. 23, ''Uncle Buck'' is already off the air and ''Over My Dead Body,'' starring Edward Woodward, goes off after Dec. 21.

The network announced that ''Body'' and ''Buck'' would return at a future date.

''Guns of Paradise,'' the family western starring Lee Horsley, returns for its third season Friday, Jan. 4, 8-9 p.m. Eastern time.

''Dallas'' shifts to its old 9-10 p.m. slot on that date, making room at 10-11 p.m. for ''Sons and Daughters,'' a family comedy-drama starring Lucie Arnaz, Rick Rossovich and Don Murray. The show about the Hammersmith family was to have premiered in the fall at the start of the 1990-91 television season.

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#90345b0018 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Times Mirror (NYSE/PSE:TMC), expecting the advertising slowdown to continue in the months ahead, remains cautious about its outlook for 1991, said Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Robert F. Erburu at Tuesday's PaineWebber Media Outlook Conference in New York.

Erburu noted that expectations for the fourth quarter and 1991 remain highly favorable for Times Mirror's non-advertising-dependent businesses, particularly its professional information and book publishing and cable television operations.

However, overall company performance likely will continue to be weakened by the impact of the most severe slump in more than a decade on the company's advertising-related revenue base. In the fourth quarter to date, Times Mirror has seen further deterioration in advertising revenues.

Times Mirror, a Los Angeles-based media and information company, publishes the Los Angeles Times, Newsday and New York Newsday, the Baltimore Sun newspapers, The Hartford Courant, The Morning Call, The (Stamford) Advocate and Greenwich Time. The company also has interests in professional information, book and magazine publishing, cable and broadcast television.

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#90345b0021 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN DIEGO (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Ventura Software Inc. Monday announced the establishment of a Pacific Rim headquarters in Sydney, Australia.

Designed to offer localized contact and support for Ventura Software's family of desktop software products, the office will be responsible for marketing, managing and controlling distribution, technical support, education and training. The office will serve users in Hong Kong, Singapore, New Zealand, as well as Australia. Pacific Rim General Manager Named

Effective immediately, Graham Hobbs has been named general manager for Ventura Software Inc. Pacific Rim.

Reporting directly to Patrick Linehan, Ventura Software Inc.'s senior vice president sales and marketing, Hobbs has more than 20 years experience in publishing systems and software.

Most recently, Hobbs worked with Rank Xerox as manager of electronic publishing, supporting sales and marketing in the Pacific Rim. Prior to his tenure with Xerox, Hobbs spent 18 years with Compugraphic Corp. as regional director of the Pacific Rim business unit, where he pioneered the development of the international market for Compugraphic publishing products. Ventura Software Extends Worldwide Presence

The formation of the Australian office brings the number of worldwide Ventura Software headquarters to four, including the United States, Canada, Europe and the Pacific Rim. Pricing and Product Availability

Ventura Publisher Gold Series (DOS/GEM, Windows 3.0, Macintosh and OS/2 1.3 Editions) and FormBase 1.1 are immediately available in Pacific Rim countries.

Additionally, distributors have been signed and include: MegaVision in Australia; Xicon in New Zealand; and Imagineering, servicing Hong Kong and Singapore.

Ventura Software Inc., a Xerox company, is a leading supplier of publishing, forms processing and database software solutions. Ventura Publisher is available in DOS/GEM, Windows 3.0 and Macintosh versions. An OS/2 Edition, based on IBM Corp.'s OS/2 version 1.3, will be released by year end.

In 1991, Ventura Publisher will also be offered for the UNIX platform running under OPEN LOOK. FormBase is currently available for IBM PCs and compatibles running under Windows 3.0. The company markets its software solutions through a worldwide dealer network of more than 6,000 outlets.

Ventura Software Inc., formerly Xerox Desktop Software, has its headquarters in San Diego.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - McKesson Drug Co. Tuesday announced that it plans to construct a new 235,000-square-foot $14 million distribution center in Delran Township, N.J.

The new center will be constructed on a 16-acre parcel in Swedes Run Business Center which is located on Route 130, six miles from Camden. Construction is scheduled to commence in the spring of 1991 and become operational in early 1992. The center will replace a 120,000-square-foot facility at 231 Luzerne St., Philadelphia, which the company has operated since 1961. Dale Boychak is the general manager of the McKesson facility.

McKesson Drug Co., the nation's leading pharmaceutical and health care distributor, does business in the Philadelphia area under the name West Wholesale Drug Co. The new center will be one of 45 centers throughout the country and will serve McKesson's retail pharmacies and hospital customers throughout the tri-state Delaware Valley.

In the past two years, McKesson Drug Co. has opened five new distribution centers: Cincinnati, Tampa, Oklahoma City, Salt Lake City and St. Louis, bringing the company's total warehouse space to nearly 5 million square feet. All 45 centers are linked by satellite communications to a modern computer center near Sacramento where daily orders from retail pharmacies and hospitals throughout the country are processed.

McKesson Drug Co. is the major operating division of McKesson Corp., headquartered in San Francisco, America's leading distributor of pharmaceuticals and other non-durable consumer goods to pharmacies, supermarkets and mass merchandisers.

The company is also the leading distributor of bottled drinking water in the western United States, the leading maker of automotive appearance chemical products and the nation's largest manager of prescription drug benefit programs. McKesson's net income in its last fiscal year was $98 million on revenues of $7.8 billion.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - McKesson Corp. will open four new pharmaceutical distribution centers totaling 800,000 square feet, the company announced Tuesday.

The new facilities, located near Camden, N.J.; Atlanta; St. Louis and Phoenix, will double capacities in each market and will cost a total of $55 million.

At the same time, the company announced that it is embarking on a $10 million program to install automated order-picking equipment in the new Camden, Atlanta and St. Louis facilities. The high-speed order-picking equipment, representing state of the art materials-handling technology, is more than four times faster than semi-automated systems currently in use by the company.

Conversion of other facilities to the new high-speed automated equipment is planned.

When the four new distribution centers become operational, McKesson Drug Co. will have approximately 5 million square feet of warehouse space in 45 facilities throughout the country. McKesson is the nation's largest wholesale distributor of pharmaceuticals and health and beauty aids products to retail pharmacies and hospitals.

The new $13 million, 234,000 square foot St. Louis facility will become operational in early 1991. It is located on a 15-acre site in the city of O'Fallon, approximately 25 miles west of St. Louis. McKesson Drug Co. has operated an 86,000 square foot warehouse at 2825 S. Third St. in St. Louis since 1966. The distribution center general manager is Charles George.

The 235,000 square foot New Jersey distribution center will be constructed on a 16-acre parcel in Delran Township, six miles from Camden. The $14 million facility will serve McKesson's customers throughout the Pennsylvania/New Jersey/Delaware Valley area. The center will replace the company's 120,000 square foot Philadelphia operation which opened in 1961. McKesson does business in this market under the name of West Wholesale Drug Co.

In Atlanta the new $15 million distribution facility will be located on a 17-acre parcel in the Avalon Ridge area northeast of Atlanta. The center will also be 235,000 square feet and will replace the 134,000 square foot McKesson Drug distribution facility in Norcross, Ga., which has been in use since 1979.

In Arizona the new $10 million distribution center will be built in Goodyear, west of Phoenix. The new 180,000 square foot facility will replace an 85,000 square foot unit in Phoenix from which McKesson has served the Arizona market for the past 30 years.

The St. Louis distribution center will be operational early in 1991. When the new centers in New Jersey, Georgia and Arizona are completed in 1992, McKesson

will have increased to eight the number of new centers it has opened in the past four years at a total investment of $83 million. The others are located in Cincinnati, Tampa, Oklahoma City and Salt Lake City.

All 45 centers are linked by satellite communications to McKesson's computer center near Sacramento where daily orders from retail pharmacies and hospitals throughout the country are processed.

McKesson Drug Co. is the major operating unit of McKesson Corp., headquartered in San Francisco. McKesson Corp. is the nation's leading distributor of pharmaceuticals and other non-durable consumer goods to pharmacies, supermarkets and mass merchandisers.

McKesson Corp. is also the leading distributor of bottled drinking water in the western United States and is the nation's largest manager of prescription drug benefit programs. Its Armor All Products subsidiary is the leading maker of automotive appearance products. McKesson's net income in its last fiscal year was $98 million on revenues of $7.8 billion.

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#90345b0035 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire

IRVINE, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The Infant Special Care Unit (ISCU) at the University of California, Irvince (UCI) Medical Center has begun the first clinical use of the NICU-Link.

An innovative hospital data management system, the NICU-Link will reduce the amount of time used to perform tedious manual charting by as much as 40 percent.

Until the system debuted on Nov. 1, 1990, nurses at the UCI ISCU spent nearly five hours of each 12-hour shift manually entering vital statistics, caloric intake and medicine dosages to the charts of critically ill newborns.

As the health care industry enters into an era of cost containment, hospital administrators must devise a way to deliver efficient treatment without occupying the critical care staff's time with clerical work.

Five years ago, Dr. Jack Sills, assistant adjunct professor of neonatology and director of the ISCU, addressed this issue when he proposed that the hospital acquire a data management system that would automate birth-to-discharge data collection and documentation.

Sills wanted to improve patient care by eliminating the need for manual documentation by nurses, respiratory therapists and other critical care staff.

Data could be automatically collected from bedside equipment, such as physiologic monitors, IV pumps, syringe pumps and ventilators.

The UCI Medical Center ISCU created a special task force to work in conjunction with several computer equipment and software companies to develop an innovative system to help save the lives of critically ill newborns.

A year later, the hospital was chosen as the test site for the Corometric's NICU-Link.

Corometric Medical Systems Inc., a perinatal instrumentation company, had been working with the UCI Medical Center on a number of other projects and was interested in developing a system for collecting and archiving neonatal patients' records.

Recognized as a leader in neonatal intensive care instrumentation, Corometric developed a partnership with Trinity Computing Systems, a vendor of software for adult ICU electronic documentation. That software was adapted to the very demanding requirements and environment of the ICU ISCU.

The UCI Medical Center's infant special care unit admits approximately 90 critically ill newborns each month. Many of these lives depend on the speed in which hospital personnel can determine their condition and administer care. By having precise reliable information available, the UCI Medical Center's NICU-Link will help save many lives.

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#90345b0036 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire
SUNNYVALE, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Poqet Computer Corp. Tuesday announced that, effective immediately, the suggested retail price of The Poqet PC is $1,450.

The Poqet PC is a one-pound, MS-DOS PC that runs for up to 100 hours on two AA-size alkaline batteries.

In addition to Ingram Micro D, The Poquet PC and other Poqet products are distributed in the United States by Intelligent Electronic's Franchise Division, which provides products to Connecting Point, Entre and TCBC dealers. Poqet also works directly with value-added resellers, providing products ranging from auto insurance claims adjustment systems to ruggedized, portable military computers.

Poqet (pronouced ''pocket'') Computer Corp., founded in 1988, is the leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of high-performance, truly portable

personal technology products. The company's first product, The Poqet PC, received the 1989 PC MAGAZINE Technical Excellence Award for Portable Computers and the 1989 BYTE MAGAZINE Award of Distinction.

The privately held company is jointly owned by its founders, employees and Fujitsu Ltd. Headquartered in Sunnyvale, Poqet has operations and offices in Monterey, Calif.; Westborough, Mass.; Dallas; Atlanta; Rye, N.Y.; Newport Beach, Calif.; Seattle; and Hoffman Estates, Ill. Poqet also has international offices in Paris and Sophia Antipolis, France; Langley, England; Frankfurt; Rome and Amsterdam.

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SHERMAN OAKS, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Olson Industries Inc. announced that its only operating subsidiary, Dolco Packaging Corp., intends to file a Plan of Reorganization early in 1991.

Dolco, which has been involved in a reorganization under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code since May 1989, expects confirmation of its plan by April 1991.

Richard E. Matthews, Dolco's chairman and chief executive officer, stated that meetings with the official creditors' committee regarding the structure of a plan have been proceeding well and he hoped for final committee endorsement of the plan in January.

As part of its reorganization, Dolco will consolidate manufacturing operations in its four existing plants in Texas, Indiana, Georgia and Washington. Dolco will retain its sales, customer service, warehouse and distribution operations in Southern California, but will cease manufacturing there.

A search for a new manufacturing location for the Western area will begin after the reorganization is complete.

Dolco will continue its emphasis on environmental protection and recycling programs. The company was recently named as one of the three industry recipients of the 1990 E.P.A. Stratospheric Ozone Protection Awards ''in recognition of exceptional contributions to global environmental protection.''

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America will expand an electronic tax filing service to 215 branches in nine Northern California counties, announced John Conover, senior vice president and head of Bay Area Region consumer banking.

The bank initially introduced electronic tax filing at 25 Santa Clara County branches last January.

During 1991, electronic filing will be offered at all BofA branches in the following counties: Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Monterey, San Benito, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, and Santa Cruz.

Taxpayers must be due a federal tax refund to use the service, according to Conover. In addition, they must either have, or establish, a Bank of America checking or savings account, since IRS refunds are automatically deposited to a customer's bank account.

''Automatic deposit of tax refunds is a real boon for customers,'' said Conover. ''It eliminates the risk and worry of refund checks being stolen or lost in the mail, and customers can immediately begin earning interest when their tax refund is deposited in a BofA account.''

Federal returns taken to BofA branches will be transmitted by computer to the IRS. Bank customers will receive their tax refunds much faster, within two to three weeks of filing, compared to six to eight weeks required for standard processing of returns.

''Computerized tax filing is a valuable addition to BofA's automated banking services,'' added Conover. ''Our customers will be able to streamline the time-consuming task of doing their annual federal tax return.''

Electronic Filing Centers, Inc. of Farmingdale, New York, is providing the tax service at the Bank of America branches. Computer software developed by the firm checks returns for common errors that frequently delay tax refunds.

BofA branches will charge $40 for the tax service.

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CINCINNATI (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Star Banc Corp. announced that the board of directors Tuesday voted a regular quarterly dividend of 24 cents per share.

This dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 31, 1990. The announcement was made by Oliver W. Waddell, chairman and chief executive officer of the Cincinnati-based holding company.

The corporation and its principal subsidiary, Star Bank, N.A., Cincinnati, have paid a dividend each year since the bank's founding in 1863.

Star Banc Corp. common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

Star Banc Corp.'s Star Bank subsidiaries operate 159 offices in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana.

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EL SEGUNDO, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - International Rectifier Corp. (NYSE/PSE:IRF) announced Bankruptcy Court approval of a $12.3 million payment to IR in the form of cash and notes from Siliconix Inc. as part of a reorganization plan submitted by Siliconix and by AEG Capital Corp., which acquires an 80.1 percent interest in Siliconix.

Payable over 18 months, the settlement arises from a Federal District Court ruling earlier this year in which five of IR's key power MOSFET patents were held valid and infringed by Siliconix.

Immediately following the decision, Siliconix filed for protection from creditors under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The two companies subsequently agreed to an interim royalty-bearing license under IR's patents and a $12 million settlement. The Court order approving the plan and settlement and extending the license for the life of the patents is scheduled to become final Dec. 21, subject to fulfillment of certain conditions.

To date, five companies have entered into royalty-bearing licenses under IR's power MOSFET patents: Hitachi, Toshiba, Siliconix, Matsushita, and Unitrode. Originally the exclusive licensee to IR's power MOSFET technology, Unitrode now shares in a portion of royalties paid to IR by other companies under those patents.

International Rectifier's HEXFET brand pioneered the commercial use of power MOSFETs and continues to lead that fast-growing market. Penetration of the available $2 billion power MOSFET market by power MOSFETs is rising steadily, from 20 percent in September 1988 to 30 percent in September 1990, according to reported industry statistics.

International Rectifier Corp. is a major worldwide supplier of power

semiconductors and the international leader in power MOSFETs with its HEXFET line.

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SANTA ANA, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. introduced its newest service option -- Business Partnering -- offering more flexible services and a value added service solution to OEMs, VARs and VADs and their own customers, at DEXPO West 90.

Through its Business Partnering capability, Novadyne is poised to provide a service solution directly to OEMs and reseller's customers on their behalf, providing them the freedom to concentrate on manufacturing and distributing products.

A total-solution field-service company, Novadyne delivers national on-site maintenance from more than 125 field offices. Included in its Business Partnering package is the same comprehensive range of services offered to end users today such as on-site service and warranty repair, software support and depot repair.

Also featured at the DEXPO West 90 show in Booth No. 773 is Novadyne's traditional third- and fourth-party services. One of the largest independent field-service organizations in the United States, Novadyne is a single source for quality repair and maintenance service on mainframes, minis, CAD/CAM workstations, micros, peripherals and communications networks.

With more than 1000 trained technicians, support engineers and staff personnel Novadyne provides the flexibility necessary in designing programs to meet the customer's requirements.

Services are marketed nationwide to companies in all facets of commerce including retailing, transportation, distribution, communications, health care educational organizations and federal and local government agencies.

To handle such a diverse clientele and product offering, Novadyne operates three depot centers located in Irvine, Calif., Norristown, Pa., and Dallas, in addition to the 125 service centers located in all the major metropolitan areas in the United States.

All the repair centers utilize the latest technologies in fault isolation, repair and certification to insure the highest quality of spare-parts availability.

The Irvine facility also houses a large Class 100A Cleanroom and state-of-the-art servo writers for sealed head disk assembly repair.

In addition to depot service, Novadyne provides on-site repair service where field engineers use laptop computers to reference product documentation, closeout calls and locate parts when necessary. More than 200 manufacturers' products are maintained by Novadyne today and preventive maintenance checks are always performed per the manufacturer's specifications or recommendations.

Since 1967 Novadyne has grown into one of the largest support organizations in the nation, with 1000 professionals in over 125 locations. Revenues in 1989 exceeded $100 million.

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CUPERTINO, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer Inc. announced that it has recently promoted four Apple directors to newly created vice president positions.

Joseph S. Arena was promoted to vice president and corporate controller. Robert Saltmarsh, who has been treasurer since 1985, was promoted to vice president and treasurer. Jeanne Seeley was promoted to vice president, finance, for Worldwide Manufacturing, R&D and Product Marketing organizations. Joan Murosky was promoted to vice president, Human Resources, with continued responsibility for managing HR for Worldwide Product Marketing, Worldwide Manufacturing, and R&D.

Arena, 44, has been with Apple since 1984 as director of Internal Audit. In his new position, he will provide overall direction to Apple's day-to-day accounting and financial operations, working closely with administrative purchasing and financial systems development in IS&T.

Reporting to Arena will be: the group/divisional controller, corporate accounting functions, corporate G&A finance, consolidations, forecasting, planning and Apple Database.

Prior to joining Apple, Arena worked for Xerox Corporation's Information Products Division in Los Angeles, as well as for its Corporate Audit group in Rochester, New York. He also spent eight years with Peat Marwick in their auditing and consulting department. Arena will continue to report to Joseph A. Graziano, executive vice president and chief financial officer.

Saltmarsh, 40, is responsible for managing a broad range of external relationships including Apple's worldwide money and banking activities, tax,

credit, and investor relations departments. Saltmarsh joined Apple in November 1982 where he skillfully managed all foreign exchange activities and made Apple a pioneer in the use of currency options among corporations.

Prior to Apple, Saltmarsh worked for several years at Data General Corporation in both Westboro, Massachusetts and Paris, France. He continues to reports to Graziano.

As vice president of finance, Seeley, 41, is responsible for managing the financial aspects of Apple's Worldwide R&D, Original Equipment Manufacturing and Worldwide Product Marketing organizations. She joined Apple in 1981 as financial controller for the Peripherals Group in Southern California, and in 1986 began managing Worldwide Manufacturing Finance.

Prior to Apple, Seeley worked for several years as financial controller for the Digital Products Group at Teradyne, Inc. in Boston, Massachusetts and in Southern California. She reports to Arena. Murosky, 37, is responsible for managing human resources for Worldwide Product Marketing, Worldwide Manufacturing, and R&D. She is a member of the corporate HR staff, as well as the senior management teams of these organizations.

Murosky has been at Apple seven years in several management and leadership capacities. She was director of human resources for the Apple Products division, Apple Pacific. Prior to this, she managed human resources activities for Worldwide Operations, with responsibilities for manufacturing plants in Singapore, Cork, Ireland and Fremont, California. Murosky joined Apple in 1983 and reports to Kevin Sullivan, senior vice president, Human Resources.

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OXNARD, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Network Research Tuesday announced that FUSION Network Software Version 3.4 for VAX/VMS has been certified to run with the ORACLE relational database management system (RDBMS).

Using FUSION and Oracle's SQL Net, users can distribute and access the ORACLE database across different system platforms in a multivendor TCP/IP environment. A unique service and support arrangement between the two companies gives ORACLE users on a FUSION network a single point of contact for front-line support.

FUSION Version 3.4 for VAX/VMS features QIO, a standard interface for VMS that links Oracle's SQL Net networking software to the TCP/IP network protocols.

SQL Net makes the connection transparent to ORACLE users, who can access DBMS data from different computers on the TCP/IP network independent of where that data resides.

These include VAX/VMS systems, IBM mainframes, UNIX workstations such as those from Sun Microsystems, DECstations running Ultrix, Hewlett-Packard HP-UX systems, and PCs running DOS, UNIX and Xenix.

Each company has the ability to reproduce in its labs any problem that users may experience, and each has a designed technician as a contact to help resolve the problem. Service and support technicians at Network Research's labs will reproduce problems users may experience, and then work with Oracle to quickly provide a solution to the customer.

In addition to telnet and virtual terminal capabilities, ORACLE users can enjoy all of the new networking features in the recently released Version 3.4 of FUSION Network Software. These include support for DECwindows, an SNMP agent for network management, and support for networked printers.

Network Research recently announced a new strategy that goes beyond TCP/IP software-only solutions to include connections to DEC LAT networks, to wide-area networks, and to local and remote users (including those travelling with portable PCs.) It includes X.25 gateway support for LAN to WAN connections, support for DECwindows and for Sun Microsystems' NFS protocol on PCs. It also provides network management and a transition scheme to OSI.

Network Research develops and markets hardware and software products offering users a wide range of networking solutions for multivendor environments. Its FUSION Network Software provides transparent multi-protocol connectivity in heterogenous computing environments. FUSION hardware products provide network management and server solutions for remote users and connections to wide area networks.

Network Research is a worldwide organization with five sales offices in the United States, a subsidiary in Japan, and multiple distributors in Europe, Asia and Canada.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Gas and Electric Co. Tuesday priced $100 million in first and refunding mortgage bonds with a coupon rate

of 8.75 percent.

The Series 90B bonds, which are due in 2001, will be sold at 99.379 percent of par to yield 8.844 percent to the public. The cost to the company is 8.89 percent.

First Boston is lead manager for the issue. Proceeds from the sale of the bonds are for general use of the company.

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ALAMEDA, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Barneyscan Corp., manufacturer and marketer of the Color Imaging Systems family of color desktop tools and prepress products, Tuesday announced a major price move on its CIS-3515 35mm color slide scanner, reducing the suggested retail price to $4,495.

Citing increased consumer demand for color desktop tools, Barneyscan announced its intent to increase its leadership position in the color scanning market by expanding its market presence and opening a larger manufacturing facility.

Barneyscan is one of the few high-tech suppliers that has always manufactured its hardware and software in the United States. The new 15,000 square foot facility is scheduled to open in January 1991 in San Leandro, Calif. Barneyscan's new plant will streamline, upgrade and expand its production capability, creating the cost efficiencies associated with increased volume.

Barneyscan officials said the new plant can increase production capacity by as much as 300 percent.

The CIS-3515 is the successor to the world's first 35mm desktop slide scanner, originally called the Barneyscan. The CIS-3515 for the Macintosh, formerly priced at $9,495, included CIS-ColorAccess, calibrated color separation software, CIS-XP, photo retouching software and QuickScan, Barneyscan's highly-acclaimed scanning software.

The CIS-3515 at $4,495 is bundled with CIS-XP and QuickScan for the Macintosh and PC Scan for PC/AT compatibles. For customers needing color separation, a $500 cash rebate promotion on CIS-ColorAccess will be offered to scanner purchasers between now and March 31. The suggested retail price of CIS-ColorAccess is $1,995.

The CIS-3515 scans 35mm color or black and white slides for use with Macintosh or PC/AT compatibles. Users of the CIS-3515 use scanned images in conjuntion with presentation, animation, hypermedia and page layout software to create

published materials such as books, magazines, and advertising materials, as well as presentation slides, overhead transparencies, interactive museum exhibits and electronic textbooks.

Color Imaging Systems from Barneyscan Corp. is a family of fully integrated hardware and software products designed to provide the publishing industry, and other strategic markets, with high-quality color prepress system capabilities at desktop prices.

Barneyscan Corp., founded in 1986, is an established developer and manufacturer of market-driven solutions that manage the integration of images into computer applications. The company is headquartered in Alameda.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - American Airlines has awarded Litton a major contract to provide a material handling and control system at the airline's new maintenance base at Alliance Airport, Fort Worth, Texas.

The Litton system is scheduled for installation by August 1991 in American's 200,000-square-foot warehouse at the airport. Dollar value of the contract was not disclosed.

Under the contract, Litton's Material Handling division, Hebron, Ky., will design, produce and integrate the computerized dock-to-dock system for storage and tracking of all parts used in major aircraft maintenance.

The Litton installation will include a six-aisle automated storage and retrieval system, conveyers and automated guided vehicles. The system will be linked into American's SABRE network, which controls a number of business functions, including inventory.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Leslie Buhler has been appointed to the position of Manager of Licensing Administration for Carolco Licensing, a division of Carolco Pictures Inc.

Reporting to Danny Simon, president of Carolco Licensing, Buhler will be responsible for overseeing the negotiation and administration of contracts and accounting aspects of the Merchandise Licensing division.

A graduate of the University of California at Irvine, Buhler is a six-year veteran of the home video industry.

Prior to joining Carolco, Buhler was director of Acquisitions for home video independent, Magnum Entertainment, a position she held since 1987. Previously she worked for Continental Video in the capacity of Manager of Acquisitions. She began her video career as Acquisitions Manager for Media Home Entertainment.

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RIVERSIDE, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The directors of Fleetwood Enterprises Inc. (NYSE/PSE:FLE) have declared the company's regular quarterly cash dividend of 21 cents per share of common stock, payable Feb. 13, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 4.

Fleetwood is the nation's leading producer of recreational vehicles and manufactured housing. The company operates 20 RV and 26 manufactured-housing plants in 16 states and Canada.

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PORTLAND, ORE (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Waggener Edstrom Tuesday announced that James Buchanan is the new chief operating officer for the company.

Buchanan has been with the firm, formerly known as The Waggener Group, for six years. The company also announced today extended responsibilities for agency Vice President Jody Peake.

Buchanan has more than 20 years of experience as a communications manager in technology industries, with both Fortune 500 companies and several start-up organizations.

To ensure the agency's ongoing leadership in public relations services, Peake will head a comprehensive agency training program in addition to managing her current responsibilities in client service, new business and agency management.

''Our agency's success is wholly dependent on the expertise and quality of our employees,'' said Peake. ''These new programs will complement the other new agency structures which have been identified to lead the agency into the next decade.''

Waggener Edstrom, formerly The Waggener Group, was founded in November 1983. The firm, with annual billings of more than $5 million, provides public relations counsel and services to a variety of high technology clients including Dell Computer Corp., Microsoft Corp., Sequent Computer Systems, Central Point Software, Logic Automation, CH2M HILL and Calera Recognition Systems.

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BURBANK, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Buena Vista Home Video and Image Entertainment Inc. Monday announced that they have signed a full license agreement for the replication, marketing and distribution of all Buena Vista laser programming in the United States.

Buena Vista distributes Disney, Touchstone, Hollywood Pictures and Buena Vista video products worldwide. The agreement with Image is exclusive, with the exception of Buena Vista's direct accounts.

''This agreement is our next significant step in committing to fully developing the laser portion of our business. Image's dedicated focus to laser product development and aggressive marketing perfectly fulfills our need for this high-growth business at this time,'' comments Richard Cohen, executive vice president, Buena Vista Home Video Worldwide.

The Buena Vista/Image agreement will take effect immediately with two major hit titles being released in January. They are Touchstone's ''Dick Tracy'' (Jan. 8, 1991 CAV $49.99 S.R.P., CLV $39.99) and ''Pretty Woman'' (Jan. 15, 1991 CLV, $29.99 SRP).

Also, as a result of the agreement, many highly requested Disney titles not currently available on laser will be put back into distribution and marketed aggressively.

''Another goal of this agreement is to minimize the back-ordering of our titles on laser,'' continues Cohen. ''With Image's in-house pre- and post-production facilities and state-of-the-art replicating ability, this can be achieved.''

According to Lee Kasper, senior vice president of sales and marketing, Image Entertainment Inc., ''In addition to our dedicated focus on laser disc marketing and distribution we feel that our technical expertise allows us to bring an exemplary level of quality to each disc we replicate.

''We are delighted with the opportunity to expand Buena Vista's presence in the laser disc market and look forward to developing a long and successful relationship.''

Distribution of Disney and Touchstone laser discs was formally handled on a non-exclusive basis by several sources.

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   Tania Steele, 818/562-3755

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - As part of a management reorganization following its recent acquisition of Ingres Corp., ASK Computer Systems Inc. Tuesday named Dennis McGinn vice president of worldwide sales and marketing.

Reporting directly to Sandra Kurtzig, chairman and chief executive officer of ASK, McGinn will have responsibility for the worldwide sales and marketing efforts for both the Application Products Division and Ingres Products Division of the company. The company also announced the promotions of two other ASK executives.

Kurtzig said McGinn will drive the worldwide distribution strategy for the unified company. ''Dennis brings a breadth of experience with markets, and direct and indirect distribution channels,'' she said. ''Today, partnerships with third-party suppliers, major accounts, OEMs, VARs and ISVs (independent software vendors) are important to an overall selling strategy.''

Prior to joining ASK, McGinn was general manager of Hewlett-Packard Company's Industry Marketing Group in Cupertino, Calif. where he developed HP's computer systems business in manufacturing, telecommunications, services industry and federal government markets.

A 20-year industry veteran, McGinn, 45, joined HP in 1969 as a computer sales representative. He rose rapidly from regional sales management positions, to

group marketing manager for the Peripherals Group and the Information Networks Group, general manager of the Advanced Manufacturing Systems Operation, and later operations manager of the Computer Networks Operation. McGinn holds a bachelor's degree in engineering physics and a master's degree in business administration from the University of Arizona in Tucson, Ariz.

ASK Computer Systems Inc., a leading supplier of management information systems, relational databases, and application development tools, recently completed its tender offer for Ingres Corp. of Alameda, Calif. With nearly $400 million in revenue, ASK is one of the ten largest software suppliers worldwide. The new corporation is poised to become the leading provider of software for client-server computing.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The trustees of the Real Estate Investment Trust of California (NYSE:RCT)(REIT-Cal) have declared a distribution of income for the fourth quarter of 1990 in the amount of 35.5 cents per share payable Jan. 23, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

REIT-Cal has paid 90 consecutive quarterly cash distributions since the trust was organized in 1968.

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Leroy E. Carlson, 213/476-7793.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Circadian Inc. (NASDAQ:CKDN), a leading supplier of non-invasive diagnostic and ultrasound imaging medical products for the physician's office market reported a net loss of $237,000, or 5 cents per share, on net sales of $3,368,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, which ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The net loss was less than the net loss of $1,667,000 (36 cents per share), on net sales of $3,905,000 incurred during the like period of the prior fiscal year. The 1989 loss included a charge of $1,063,000 for non-recurring expenses related to the write-down of accounts receivable. No such charge was booked during the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

Dr. Peter H. Chang, president and chief executive officer, stated, ''While net sales were down 13.8 percent from the first quarter of fiscal 1990, gross sales were down less than 3 percent. Net sales are down because we sold some

of our in-house lease receivables to third parties during fiscal 1990 reducing the amount of lease income, and we have increased our provision for sales returns.''

Chang continued, ''Our Ultrasound Imaging products introduced in November 1989 continue to have strong sales. Our margins increased to 51.1 percent from 47.5 percent primarily because of the Ultrasound products. In addition, net sales for this quarter compared to the quarter ended June 30, 1990, were up 3.9 percent.''

The company's cash position increased to $1,301,000 as of Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $266,000 as of Sept. 30, 1989.

Circadian's products combine ease-of-use and competitive pricing and include ambulatory heart monitoring, ultrasound imaging, stress testing, vascular screening, and other non-invasive diagnostic systems. The corporate headquarters are in San Jose.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Communications and Entertainment Corp. Tuesday announced the election of Patrick Wachsberger as president and chief executive officer of its subsidiary Odyssey Entertainment Ltd. and that Veronique Maingard has been elevated to the post of senior executive vice president of Odyssey Entertainment Ltd.

Communications and Entertainment Corp. also announced the resignation of J. David Marks as the president, chief executive officer and director, of the company and of Odyssey Entertainment Ltd., as a result of dissimilar business philosophies, thus enabling him to pursue other ventures. Jerry Silva continues as chairman of the board of ComEnt and was also elected its president and chief operating officer.

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MENLO PARK, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Liposome Technology Inc. (LTI) (NASDAQ:LTIZ), a California-based pharmaceutical company, Tuesday announced the receipt of FDA approval to initiate Phase II clinical trials of its injectable amphotericin B colloidal dispersion (ABCD) antifungal drug, and Phase I/II studies of the company's inhaled liposome albuterol product.

LTI plans to begin Phase II trials in January 1991, testing the efficacy of its ABCD product in patients with disseminated coccidioidomycosis infection. During 1991, the company also plans to initiate Phase II trials in AIDS patients with cryptococcal Meningitis, and in bone marrow transplant patients with systemic fungal infections.

LTI's ABCD product is lyophilized, packaged in vials, and readily reconstituted with water prior to injection. Shelf life is estimated to be at least two years at room temperature. The product is claimed in a composition-of-matter patent issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in April 1989; additional patent applications are pending in the United States and abroad.

Phase I/II clinical trials have begun for LTI's inhaled liposomal albuterol product, and additional clinical studies are planned for 1991.

LTI's albuterol product utilizes Aerosome liposomes, specially formulated to prolong the therapeutic activity of the drug for 8 to 12 hours. The liposomal albuterol powder is packaged in metered-dose canisters, typically used to administer inhaled asthma drugs.

The company also announced that it expects to complete preclinical toxicology studies of liposomal doxorubicin (L-DOX) in the first quarter of 1991 and, shortly thereafter, to prepare and file a Notice of Investigational New Drug exemption (IND) with the FDA. L-DOX is a stable lyophilized powder that is readily reconstituted with water prior to injection.

With LTI's key products entering the clinical development phase, the company said that its R&D efforts are focused on the galenic development of its second-generation products utilizing proprietary Stealth liposomes. As previously announced, protective coatings on LTI's Stealth liposomes prolong circulation time to 24 hours or more and open new opportunities for value-added intravenous products. The company expects to begin NDA-oriented studies with pharmaceutical preparations of Stealth-encapsulated drugs during 1991.

LTI announced its plan to initiate Phase I/II experimental clinical studies of Stealth doxorubicin (S-DOX) in mid-1991, with the objective of demonstrating that Stealth liposomes selectively deliver the drug to tumors in man. One such study will evaluate tumor localization in patients with Kaposi's Sarcoma.

Located in Menlo Park, LTI's key products include injectable ABCD for systemic antifungal therapy, inhaled albuterol to treat asthma and bronchitis, and injectable doxorubicin for anticancer therapy. The company's second-generation product focus is on utilizing LTI's proprietary long-circulating Stealth liposomes to target injectable oncology drugs, including doxorubicin, to tumors and to deliver therapeutic proteins and

peptides.

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NEWPORT BEACH, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - John C. Warner, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Quiksilver Inc. (NASDAQ:QUIK), Tuesday announced that Quiksilver and Na Pali S.A., have agreed to extend the expiration date of the letter of intent for the proposed acquisition of Na Pali S.A. to such time as Na Pali's preclosing audit has been completed.

Upon receipt of audited financials which are expected during January 1990, Quiksilver intends to proceed as rapidly as possible to consummate the transaction.

Na Pali, S.A. currently markets products under the Quiksilver name in 17 European countries including France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Great Britain and Greece as well as the French Colonies, representing a total market of more than 300 million people. For its fiscal year ended May 31, 1990, Na Pali reported sales of approximately $21 million (U.S.).

Quiksilver designs, arranges for the manufacture of, and distributes beachwear skiwear and casual clothing primarily for young men and boys under the Quiksilver label. The company's products are made primarily in the United States and sold in approximately 2,000 surf shops, specialty store and selected department store locations.

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KIRKLAND, WA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Announcing a major step toward seamless cellular coverage throughout the Pacific Northwest, Kirkland-based McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. reported Tuesday that a network upgrade now being initiated by the company will provide cellular telephone users with cellular coverage that breaks down the ''Cascade Curtain'' and circumvents state and national boundaries.

The first step in this system conversion -- a significant milestone in McCaw Cellular Communications' efforts to create a seamless North American cellular

network -- occurred last week when McCaw's Cellular One operation in Spokane installed a new digital switching system. When similar upgrades are made early next year by Cellular One operations in Seattle and Portland, seamless coverage will be available through Snoqualmie Pass along 80 percent of the state's I-90 corridor.

Coverage also will be continuous along the I-5 corridor from Vancouver, British Columbia, to just south of Eugene, Ore. In total, Cellular One will offer 35 percent more cellular coverage in the Pacific Northwest.

Cellular One in Seattle, Portland and Spokane are affiliates of McCaw Cellular Communications, the leading provider of cellular services in the United States.

The importance of a seamless network is ease-of-use. A seamless network in the Pacific Northwest allows a cellular customer to make and receive calls regardless of where they are at any given time, without having to use cumbersome special access codes or roaming numbers.

Initially, system conversion in Seattle, Portland and Spokane creates a seamless network extending into British Columbia. The new network, however, will soon expand throughout Canada, where McCaw Cellular has reached an agreement with Rogers Cantel Inc. (Cantel) of Canada to integrate the two systems. Cantel has already developed a nationwide network that is compatible with the new Cellular One switch to be installed in Seattle.

Be virtue of this arrangement, a Cellular One customer based in Seattle who happens to be in Montreal, for example, can be reached by dialing the Seattle telephone number and it will ring in Montreal without using any roaming or access codes.

Indeed, as a result of the two-year-old Free Trade Agreement, trade with Canada is increasing significantly. Trade data comparing the first half of 1988 to 1989 shows that U.S. exports to Canada grew by over 20 percent to $41 billion. Washington state exports to Canada in 1989 totaled more than $4.3 billion. Oregon's trade with Canada totaled more than $558 million, making Canada the state's second-largest trading partner. And due to the state's proximity to British Columbia, Washington state business figures to reap the advantages of additional opportunities in Canada.

The new Cellular One digital switches will be located at its Mobile Telephone Switching Offices (MTSO) in Seattle, Portland and Spokane. The MTSO handles the routing of calls from one transmission cell site to another, and is the link between a cellular telephone and the conventional telephone system. Conversion of the switching system is being supplemented by the addition of 41 new cell sites in Washington state and Oregon state.

The new switches and cell sites are digital-ready in anticipation of a conversion to a fully digital cellular network. Digital technology is an

evolutionary improvement over existing analog systems because it provides unprecedented levels of voice quality and system capacity.

Because a digital system speeds transmissions while allowing the network to handle many more calls, the new network will also allow for an additional range of services -- such as data transmission via computer and fax.

Cellular One is the leading provider of cellular services in the Pacific Northwest.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Bell and Groupware Authors announced Tuesday an agreement to jointly develop and market application software products that combine telephones, desktop computers and Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) to create low-cost solutions for distributed computing.

Under the agreement, Pacific Bell, which offers ISDN-based CENTREX IS service in major metopolitan areas throughout California, and Groupware Authors, an innovative new software developer, will combine their respective strengths in network services and distributed computing to provide a broad range of new capabilities for the electronic desk top of the future.

''Our agreement with Groupware Authors represents a significant step in Pacific Bell's plan to address the needs of the desktop computing market,'' said Jim Grivich, Pacific Bell director of ISDN sales integration. ''ISDN has the potential to revolutionize today's office environment. But, in order for this to happen, we must broaden the focus of our ISDN strategy to include not only voice and data transmission, but also integrated applications.

''The availability of ISDN technology in a ubiquitous network represents a tremendous opportunity to create a new class of software products that will allow both users and applications developers to view their telephones and their desktop computers as a single, powerful information device,'' said Brian McGann, managing partner at Groupware Authors.

The products developed by the two companies, the first of which is to be announced in early 1991, will merge the multichannel capabilities of Pacific

Bell's CENTREX IS with a unique distributed applications architecture developed by Groupware Authors.

Groupware Authors, located in Santa Cruz, Calif., creates quality software products for the desk top that enable real-time, multimedia interaction among geographically dispersed users of multivendor systems. The company was founded in 1989 by Brian McGann and Dennis Morrison who were also the co-founders of Touch Communications, one of the world's leading suppliers of OSI communications software.

Pacific Bell is a subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, a diversified worldwide telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

ISDN increases the efficiency of telecommunications systems by dividing a standard telephone line into as many as three digital channels, making a single line capable of simultaneously transmitting voice, data and video. At its foundation are standards for the telecommunications network of the future that eventually will be implemented worldwide.

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JOPLIN, MO. (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The Empire District Electric Co. Tuesday announced that it is offering 350,000 shares of its common stock, $1 par value, through Salomon Brothers Inc., A.G. Edwards & Sons Inc. and Edward D. Jones & Co.

The company is also offering $15 million aggregate principal amount of its First Mortgage Bonds, 9-3/4 percent Series due 2020, through Salomon Brothers Inc.

The proceeds of the offerings will be used to repay short-term indebtedness incurred in connection with the company's construction program.

Empire supplies electric service to a 10,000 square-mile area in southwest Missouri, southeast Kansas, northeast Oklahoma and northwest Arkansas. The company also provides water service in three incorporated communities in Missouri.

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SACRAMENTO, CALIF (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert J. Gore has been appointed vice president of communications for the Association of California Insurance Cos., ACIC President Thomas F. Conneely announced Tuesday.

Gore, a former reporter who has served the Deukmejian administration in a variety of key public affairs assignments, will join ACIC on Jan. 7, Conneely said.

''ACIC is pleased to have Bob join our team,'' Conneely said. ''ACIC's members have identified more active communications and dialogue with their customers as top priorities. Bob Gore will play a key role in helping us attain those objectives.''

Gore was Gov. George Deukmejian's press secretary in 1989-90. He worked as assistant director for public information in the departments of Transportation (1988-89) and Corrections (1984-88), and did public affairs consulting for the treasurer confirmation hearings of Daniel E. Lungren and for the Department of Insurance.

Before joining the administration, he was press secretary to former Los Angele County District Attorney Robert H. Philibosian and spent 14 years as a reporter for the Los Angeles Times and Long Beach Press-Telegram.

Gore, 40, lives in El Dorado County with his wife and daughter.

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DALLAS (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Central and South West Corp. (NYSE:CSR) Tuesday said its Central Power and Light Co. unit has received approval to increase its base rates by $120 million on Jan. 1, 1991, to begin recovering its costs for Unit 2 of the South Texas Project nuclear power plant.

The 2-to-1 decision by the Texas Public Utility Commission was consistent with a stipulated settlement reached between Central Power and Light and the majority of the intervenors in the rate case in March 1990.

The stipulated settlement called for Central Power and Light to increase its base rates by $264 million in two steps. A first-step increase of $144 million, to begin recovering costs for STP Unit 1, was approved as permanent rates by the Texas PUC last October. The Texas PUC's decision Tuesday affirmed the second and final increase.

As part of the settlement, Central Power and Light has agreed not to seek additional rate relief until after Dec. 31, 1994, except in the case of specified unusual circumstances. However, its fuel charges will continue to be adjusted according to PUC rules.

Central and South West Corp. is a Dallas-based public utility holding company. It owns Central Power and Light Co., Public Service Company of Oklahoma, Southwestern Electric Power Co., West Texas Utilities Co., Transok Inc. and five other subsidiaries.

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BELLEVUE, WASH (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Charles M. Pigott, chairman and chief executive officer of PACCAR Inc, announced Tuesday that the board of directors declared a first quarter 1991 cash dividend in the amount of 25 cents per share, payable on March 5, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Feb. 19, 1991.

No action was taken on an extra dividend.

Final sales and net income amounts for 1990 will be announced in the latter part of January 1991.

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SANTA CLARA, CALIF (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Catalyst Semiconductor Inc. announced Tuesday the introduction of the industry's first 5-volt CMOS 512K Bit (64K by 8) Flash erasable and electrically reprogrammable memory, ideally suited for systems requiring on-board code updates.

The 512K-bit memory is divided into 32 sectors of 2K bytes each. The CAT28F512V5 features ''Sector Erase'' by which the user can selectively erase any one or all of the 2K byte sectors. This feature enhances system performance as the need for erasing the entire memory content is eliminated.

The CAT28F512V5 is pin compatible with EPROM devices and Read timings are fully compatible with EPROM operation. Programming and erase are performed through an operation and verify algorithm. The instructions are input via the I/O bus, using a two-write cycle scheme.

Address and data are latched to free the I/O and address bus during write

operation. The CAT28F512V5, available in commercial temperature, 32-lead plastic DIP and 32-pad PLCC packages, is $59.74 each in 1,000-piece quantities.

According to Krish Panu, Catalyst vice president of marketing and sales: ''Various applications require that a boot program be stored in certain sectors which should not be erased while changing data in other sectors.

''This approach can reduce the chip count, for bootstrap, in embedded code applications. This need created the Sector Flash memory. In some applications single 5-volt devices are important because a regulated second voltage (12 volts) is difficult and expensive to provide and takes board space.

''To fulfill this kind of need, we are introducing the Sector Flash memory, which uses a single voltage of 5 volts.

Catalyst Semiconductor Inc., a privately held company founded in 1985, is a technology leader in CMOS nonvolatile memories and is dedicated to the development of next generation memory products and their applications. The company's innovative products include: Smart Card microcomputers, CMOS NVRAMs CMOS E2PROMs, High Speed CMOS EPROMs, CMOS SRAMs, CMOS Flash Memories and BiCMOS analog products.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - New Line Cinema Corp. (ASE:NLN) and Showtime Networks Inc. Tuesday announced an agreement whereby Showtime has acquired the exclusive premium television rights to New Line Cinema titles for the next three years.

The agreement, jointly announced by Stephen Abramson, senior vice president of New Line Cinema and Jim Miller, senior vice president, Program Acquisition and Planning at Showtime Networks Inc., begins with 1991 theatrical titles and covers all of New Line's upcoming product for the three-year period.

The new agreement entitles Showtime to the pay television rights to those pictures released during a three-year period which are scheduled to include three of New Line's most successful sequel franchises; the sequel to ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles'' which is scheduled to be released theatrically in March 1991, the sixth installment in the Nightmare on Elm Street series currently entitled ''Freddy's Dead: The Final Nightmare,'' and the sequel to ''House Party,'' which will again feature Kid N' Play.

Showtime also secures the rights to other 1991 New Line releases which are presently scheduled to include pictures such as: ''Hangin' With The Homeboys '' a hip ensemble comedy about four young men from New York, and a Friday

night that forever changes their lives; ''Suburban Commando,'' an action-adventure comedy featuring Hulk Hogan, as an intergalactic mercenary trying to avoid bounty hunters by renting a room with a typical Earth family -- also starring Christopher Lloyd and Shelly Duvall.

''The Rapture,'' a provocative, erotic vision of the end of the world which stars Mimi Rogers; ''Talkin' Dirty After Dark,'' the story of a day in the life of a comedy club deep in the heart of South Central Los Angeles, with Tone Loc and Martin Lawrence; and ''StepKids,'' the funny, poignant story of a 15-year-old girl whose parents have divorced and remarried so many times that she feels lost in a sea of step-kids, starring Griffin Dunne and directed by Joan Micklin Silver.

In April 1990 New Line and Showtime signed an exclusive agreement whereby Showtime acquired the rights to certain specific titles including, ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles,'' ''House Party,'' ''Pump Up The Volume,'' ''A Nightmare on Elm Street 5: The Dream Child,'' ''Heart Condition,'' ''Texas Chainsaw Massacre 3,'' and the soon-to-be-released ''Book of Love.''

New Line's extended relationship with Showtime will further complement the growing list of studios and filmmakers that have signed exclusive agreements with Showtime Networks Inc. including Disney's Touchstone and Hollywood Pictures, Orion, Tri-Star Pictures, Imagine Films, Pathe Entertainment, Carolco Pictures, Castle Rock Entertainment, Nelson Entertainment and others.

New Line Cinema Corporation is a leading independent producer and distributor of theatrical motion pictures.

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CHATSWORTH, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Two companies with complementary performance profiles have decided to join forces and work together in the hard disk drive spindle motor (HDD Motor) market.

Minebea Company Ltd., Japan, who is a world's leading manufacturer of precision miniature ball bearings and mechanical precision components with large manufacturing facilities in Thailand, and Papst-Motoren GmbH & Co. KG, Germany, a world renowned technology leader in electronically computated DC

motors and holding an impressive portfolio of patents and know-how, will form, effective Feb. 1, 1991, two joint venture companies: Papst-Minebea-Disc-Motor GmbH in Germany and Papst-Minebea-Disc-Motor (Thailand) Ltd.

Papst-Motoren GmbH & Co. KG and Minebea Company Ltd. will equally participate in the new joint venture.

The German joint venture company's task is to effect product and process development and to set up production facilities for application in Thailand and Singapore. In addition, medium-range and special series hard disk drive motors will be manufactured in Germany along with hard disk drive motors for which European local content is required.

The joint venture company in Thailand will be engaged in volume production of hard disk drive motors.

Sales and marketing of hard disk drive motors designed and manufactured by these joint venture companies will be handled by the Minebea Group of companies with the exception of Europe and Thailand, where the joint venture companies will be responsible.

The combination of development know-how, engineering expertise and patents of Papst with Minebea's large-scale production capabilities and manufacturing components in cost-competitive locations is expected to create synergy effects ensuring competitiveness of the new joint venture companies. This will enable them to obtain a leading position in the hard disk drive motor market.

Minebea Company Ltd. and Papst-Motoren GmbH & Co. KG will keep their present ownership and remain independent with their other activities.

All other Papst products, electronic cooling fans, blowers and micro motors will continue to be developed, manufactured and sold throughout the world by Papst-Motoren GmbH & Co. KG and sold in the United States by Papst Mechatronic Corp., Newport, R.I.

Minebea is the world's leading supplier of broad-based products for the computer market. NMB Technologies Inc. is the electronics marketing division of NMB (USA) Inc., the North American headquarters of the Minebea Group of companies.

Founded in 1951, Minebea Company Ltd. offers world markets a broad and diverse range of precision mechanical and electronic products in the automotive, aerospace, communications, computer, defense and manufacturing industries.

Through internal growth and strategic acquisitions, Minebea has become a multinational enterprise comprising 42 principal companies in eight countries, with 37 manufacturing plants and 64 sales offices and branches around the world.

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MILPITAS, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - NetFRAME Systems Inc. Tuesday unveiled the latest addition to its family of multiprocessor network computer systems, the model NF200.

Designed to meet the price/performance requirements of department and branch office local area network (LAN) environments, the NF200 is based on Intel's 80486 microprocessor technology, and runs popular industry standard network operating systems, NetWare 386 from Novell and Microsoft OS/2 LAN Manager.

It is best suited for environments where PC LANs are growing to support more users (typically up to 250) and evolving beyond file sharing and communications applications to encompass SQL database processing.

The NF200 incorporates the same leadership technology designed into the entire NetFRAME product family -- the models NF100, NF300 and NF400. Designed around a mainframe-like hierarchical bus architecture, the system is optimized to move large amounts of data quickly and efficiently.

Two separate input/output (I/O) buses combine with specialized memory and CPU data paths to achieve peak internal transfers up to 200 megabytes per second.

With expansion room for up to three I/O processor boards, the NF200 can connect three separate LANs, and scale in throughput to sustain data rates approaching 15 megabytes of data per second -- nearly twice what is possible on PC-class servers today.

More importantly, NF200 features such as parity checking on all data paths, error correcting memory, power module redundancy and automatic restart/retry ensure mainframe-class reliability and data integrity levels to support ''mission-critical'' LAN-based applications.

Packaged in an NF100-sized cabinet, the NF200 comes standard with eight megabytes of shared main memory and 380 megabytes of integrated disk. Also included is one I/O processor board with connections for SCSI-II, RS-232 (SDLC), RS-422 and either Ethernet or Token Ring LANs. The system can be configured with up to 32 megabytes of error correcting code (ECC) memory and up to 16 gigabytes of total disk storage.

In addition, the NF200 supports NetFRAME's network management and administration software tools, ''SAM'' and ''RCON.'' These tools, unique to NetFRAME systems, reduce the cost and complexity of network server maintenance and administration.

NetFRAME Systems Inc. is a privately held company started in 1987 by Carlton G. Amdahl, a veteran mainframe computer scientist, and Enzo Torresi, co-founder of Businessland, Inc. The company designs, manufactures and markets a family of multiprocessor network computers that run industry standard network operating systems for the PC-LAN environment.

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MILPITAS, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - NetFRAME Systems Inc. Tuesday announced that standard Microsoft OS/2 Version 1.21 for the NetFRAME family of multiprocessor network computer systems will be available in January 1991.

The NetFRAME with OS/2 will run LAN Manager 2.0 from Microsoft Corp. and all off-the-shelf applications designed for the LAN Manager environment.

LAN Manager on NetFRAME provides a platform for client/server applications and databases, as well as high performance file server solutions.

The state of Washington was one of the early users of OS/2 and Microsoft's LAN Manager 2.0 and SQL Server on the NetFRAME. Bill Gillman, computer information systems specialist for the state of Washington commented: ''The NetFRAME succeeded and excelled in every category. It is fast, simple, secure and best of all it does the job exactly as advertised.''

NetFRAME will bundle OS/2 v1.21 with NetFRAME's powerful network management and administration software products, ''SAM'' and ''RCON.'' These tools, unique to NetFRAME systems, reduce the cost and complexity of network server maintenance and administration.

''SAM'' (Server Activated Maintenance) is an intelligent diagnostic and maintenance tool that will allow a NetFRAME system to originate a phone call to network administrators reporting any system malfunction. Responding to SAM over a standard telephone line, network administrators can then complete diagnostic routines and perform routine maintenance activity.

''RCON'' (Remote Console Software) allows easy management of multiple NetFRAMEs from any MS Windows PC on the LAN. From any single non-dedicated PC on the network, network administrators can configure NetFRAMEs and install software.

Bundled together, OS/2 v1.21, ''SAM'' and ''RCON'' will be available for $1,295. LAN Manager 2.0 is available from Microsoft at a suggested retail price of $6,490 for unlimited users. NetFRAME Systems Inc. is a privately held company started in 1987 by Carlton G. Amdahl, a veteran mainframe computer scientist, and Enzo Torresi, co-founder of Businessland Inc.

The company designs, manufactures and markets a family of multiprocessor network computers that run industry standard network operating systems for the PC-LAN environments. NetFRAME's combine the high reliability, data integrity and computing power of mainframes with the manageability, flexibility and cost advantages of personal computers.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America has named Joseph Guariglia a 30-year operations veteran, a senior vice president. He is the manager of BankAmerica International-New York (BINY) Operations and Domestic Money Transfer.

With the bank since 1961, he has managed the daily operations of BINY, including money transfer, trade finance, customer service, and BI branches located in Chicago and Miami since 1988. Guariglia is ''an excellent manager'' with ''an extensive background in product development,'' said Merrill Burns, president of BankAmerica International-New York.

Having begun his career at the bank in the BINY telecommunications department, Guariglia later worked in Cash & Securities as assistant cashier. He then moved through a broad range of assignments in which he was responsible for paying and receiving, deposits and securities, data processing, and systems development. He became a vice president in 1981.

Guariglia, 47, is a representative to the Committee on International Banking, and he also serves on the U.S. Council for International Business. He holds an associate degree in finance from Pace University.

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LAS VEGAS (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Apple Computer Inc. further strengthened its commitment to multivendor connectivity Tuesday by announcing it is now licensing its Apple Terminal Services (ATS) protocols to third-party

developers and corporate MIS departments.

The ATS protocols, which are based on Apple's current MacWorkStation product, consist of commands defined by Apple that pass between a mainframe computer and a personal computer. These protocols allow a developer to create mainframe or minicomputer programs that display and retrieve information on remote graphically oriented personal computers.

Under the terms of the license, developers can create and sell personal computer software, such as for IBM PCs and compatibles, that receives the ATS commands from a mainframe and displays the mainframe information on the personal computer's screen. Software can also be developed and sold to display mainframe information on UNIX-based workstations.

Prior to the licensing program, the ATS protocols could only be used to display information on Macintosh computers.

Now that the license is available a developer, for example, could create a hotel reservation system in which a central mainframe computer uses the ATS protocols to send out a guest's reservation to hotel clerks using different types of personal computers in various remote sites. Each clerk could print the reservation or make changes, and then return the new information to the central computer.

One of the first third-party companies to sign a license with Apple is United Data Corp., of San Francisco, which has created ATS protocol software for IBM personal computers and compatibles running the Microsoft Windows 3.0 operating systems. The software receives ATS commands from a mainframe and displays the mainframe information on the personal computer screen via the Windows 3.0 operating system.

Integrated Solutions Inc., of King of Prussia, Pa., has also signed a license with Apple. It is selling software that runs on UNIX workstations, such as those from Sun Microsystems Inc. This new software uses X.Windows to display information requested via ATS commands on the workstation screen. The information can be shown with a MOTIF or Open Look interface.

The ATS protocols go beyond traditional terminal screen protocols, such as Digital Equipment Corp.'s VT100 and IBM's 3270, by giving the mainframe programmer control of the personal computer's desktop user interface including windows, display boxes and icons. The protocol also supports printing and filing on the personal computer.

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CUPERTINO, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Tandem Computers Inc. (NYSE:TDM) and Applied Communications Inc. (ACI) Tuesday announced that two mutual customers recently migrated ACI's BASE24 software to Tandem's NonStop Cyclone transaction processing mainframe.

Banc One Services Corp., Columbus, Ohio, and Nationwide Anglia, Swindon, England, converted their BASE24-atm to the new Cyclone platform and are currently in production.

Introduced late last year, the NonStop Cyclone computer addresses the needs of large businesses requiring high-performance, online processing. The NonStop Cyclone systems are ideal for the high-volume, online transaction, query and batch processing requirements of large banks and securities industry customers.

H.R. ''Tim'' Rosenbusch, manager, electronic banking, Banc One, said that the primary reason for upgrading ACI software to Tandem's NonStop Cyclone system was because of its volume capabilities.

On Nov. 5, Nationwide became the first BASE24 customer in Europe and the third worldwide to go live on the Cyclone system. According to Tony Beech, Nationwide's assistant general manager of technology support, Nationwide required additional processing capacity after launching the first interest-bearing checking account in the United Kingdom, and ATM volumes increased substantially.

ACI, a subsidiary of U.S. WEST of Englewood, Colo., is a leading international provider of computer software and integration services for banking, telecommunications and cross-industry applications. ACI products and services are used by 289 customers in 32 countries. The company is headquartered at 330 South 108 Ave., Omaha, Neb., 68154. The telephone number is 402/390-7600.

Tandem Computers Inc. manufactures and markets fault-tolerant computer systems online transaction processing systems and enterprise networks. The company headquarters are located at 19333 Vallco Parkway, Cupertino, Calif. 95014. The telephone number is 408/285-6000.

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PROVO, UTAH (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Rocky Mountain Helicopters Inc. (NASDAQ:RMHI) Tuesday announced record revenues of $4,027,300 for the month of

October 1990 in its Medical Division.

RMH management attributed this increased performance to the rapidly growing air medical marketplace. This division, which has been growing at 15-20 percent a year, accounts for 63 percent of RMH business activities.

''RMH has been a leader in the air medical industry since its inception and has pioneered the concept of hospital-based patient transportation,'' said Russ Spray, RMH vice president, Medical Division.

''This latest milestone indicates the marketplace is continuing to grow, and RMH continues to grow with it.''

RMH is the industry leader in air medical services, operating 47 air medical programs across the country. The company devotes nearly half of its 117 aircraft to air medical services.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - William J. Butters, the president of Source Venture Capital Inc. (OTC: SVCI), a Denver-based public company, Tuesday announced that an agreement has been reached with Blazo Corp. (OTC: BLAC) of Wooster, Ohio.

Blazo is a public company also trading in the pink sheets.

Butters said, ''The agreement calls for Blazo to purchase 350 million shares of Source Venture Capital common stock for a total consideration of $350,000.''

This would make Blazo the largest single shareholder in Source. The agreement also calls for an irrevocable voting proxy to Blazo on the shares now owned by Meyer Blinder, his family and assigns.

Butters said, ''This infusion of cash will enable Source, to expand the Able Trade Bindery, which was purchased by Source last week. Able, now makes Edison Press, Source's wholly owned subsidiary, a full service printing facility. Edison, already represented approximately 50 percent of Able's total volume.''

The deal with Blazo is expected to close just as soon as both companies have completed their due diligence.

Kenneth Jackson, the president and chief executive officer, of Blazo Corp.,

said that, ''Source, being a venture capital company, appears to be the right vehicle for Blazo to continue strengthening its base through mergers and acquisitions.''

He further stated that ''Source's ownership in Edison Press, which is reported to be the third largest printing company in the Denver area, promises to be a potential plus for Blazo's Vision Television Network.''

Vision is a wholly owned subsidiary of Blazo and is involved in the barter of television time. Jackson said, ''We are now a recognized force in the television barter business so what better place to expand our communication business than in the print area.''

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NAPPANEE, IN (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - J. Patrick Kerich, CEO of Mallard Coach Co. Inc., announced the appointment of Donald Heitzler to the board of directors and audit committee.

A graduate of Notre Dame University, Heitzler served the Prudential Insurance Co. and PruCapital since 1962 in a broad variety of capacities, including those of vice president and treasurer. Preceding his retirement this past fall, he was the managing director, Capital Markets Group.

Heitzler, age 54, resides in Morris Township, N.J., with his wife Ruthann. He has two children.

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The first flight hardware for Space Station Freedom's modules and systems recently arrived in Huntsville at Boeing Defense & Space Group facilities.

The big milestone came wrapped in a small package. Tiny transistors and diodes, qualified to operate in the space environment for 30 years, were delivered from the Defense Electronics Supply Center in Ogden, Utah.

The transistors represent the first of approximately 200,000 electrical, electronic and electromechanical (EEE) parts that will arrive during the next several years. Boeing and its subcontractors will install those parts in

electronics subassemblies used on the orbiting laboratory.

The transitors and diodes in this first shipment will be used in the orbiting laboratory's environmental control and life-support systems. Boeing will provide them to subcontractors Perkin-Elmer and Life Systems.

John Berkebile is EEE parts manager. The EEE parts group tracks items such as diodes and transistors as part of the requirements for Boeing and its work package one subcontractors.

In addition to scoring the first flight hardware milestone, Berkebile's group is making improvements in its work methods:

NASA chose Boeing in 1987 to build Space Station Freedom modules and on-board systems. Astronauts will live and perform experiments in orbit aboard the space station by the late 1990s.

Boeing work, with headquarters in Huntsville, is accomplished by approximately 1,000 employees. The project is managed by Marshall Space Flight Center, also in Huntsville.

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DALLAS (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Texas Instruments Inc. Tuesday announced it has reached agreement with Toshiba Corp. on a 10-year broad-based semiconductor patent cross-license agreement to replace the five-year agreement that expires at the end of this year.

Beginning in 1991 and continuing throughout the life of the agreement, TI will receive royalty payments from Toshiba based on worldwide sales of Toshiba semiconductors.

The annual amounts payable under the new agreement are expected to greatly exceed the annual amounts received by TI under the agreement expiring at the end of 1990.

The new agreement, the terms of which are confidential, is subject to approval by the government of Japan.

The new agreement reinforces TI's belief that it has the opportunity to earn a significant ongoing stream of royalty revenues from its worldwide patent portfolio.

However, as TI has previously reported, high levels of research and

development and capital investment, along with lower memory prices and general weakness in the U.S. economy, will put additional pressure on TI's financial results in the near term.

Discussions continue with other companies whose licensing agreements with TI expire at the end of 1990. As previously stated, these negotiations by their nature are not predictable as to outcome or timing.

Results from negotiations may vary depending on the parties' relative patent positions, the use by each party of the other's patents, the volume of sales of each party, and other factors.

TI believes that appropriate valuation and compensation for use of a company's intellectual property is essential to global competitiveness because it protects, rewards and encourages investment in research and development. TI's technology has resulted in competitive products and a strong broad-based patent portfolio.

The royalties TI has received for use of its patents have helped the company invest more than $2 billion in research and development over the past five years. During this period, TI has received more than 2,000 patents for new technologies.

Texas Instruments Inc., headquartered in Dallas, is a high-technology company with sales and manufacturing operations in more than 30 countries. TI develops manufactures and markets semiconductors, defense electronics systems, software productivity tools, computer systems, industrial automation and control systems, electrical controls, metallurgical materials.

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PHOENIX (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix-based America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) reported November traffic rose to 919,924,000 revenue passenger miles, or 24.8 percent more than November 1989.

Available seat miles for the month rose 32 percent over last year to 1,608,445,000, producing a passenger load factPSKof 57.2 percent. Peter Otradovec, vice president of planning, said: ''We continue to experience very positive growth in our traffic. Although our monthly load factor was down from November 1989, we are pleased with the overall response from the traveling public.''

Otradovec continued: ''America West's year-to-date figures exceed 1989 figures

and we anticipate this trend to continue.''

America West, the nation's No. 1 carrier in on-time performance, operates the industry's most fuel-efficient fleet of 104 aircraft including Boeing 747s, 757s, 737s and de Havilland Dash 8s. The carrier recently acquired up to 118 Airbus A320s and will operate 16 of the new aircraft by mid-1991.

America West offers convenient service with more than 650 daily flights from coast to coast and across the Pacific to Hawaii.

The following is a summary of America West's November and year-to-date traffic for 1990 and 1989:

America West Airlines
November and Year-to-Date Traffic

	Nov. 1990	Nov. 1989	Percent Change
Passengers Enplaned	1,290,013	1,204,101	7.1
Revenue Passenger Miles (000)	919,924	737,035	24.8
Available Seat Miles (000)	1,608,445	1,218,642	32.0
Load Factor (percent)	57.2	60.5	(3.3) pts

	Year-to-date 1990	Year-to-date 1989	Percent Change
Passengers Enplaned	14,298,139	12,141,638	17.8
Revenue Passenger Miles (000)	10,167,115	7,097,680	43.2
Available Seat Miles (000)	16,645,849	12,357,266	34.7
Load Factor	61.1	57.4	3.7 pts

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - At the recent Shareholder Meeting of Investment Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:IVES); shareholders approved by a vote of 95.5 percent issuance of preferred stock on terms and conditions to be set by the board of directors.

A letter of intent for issuance of $4 million of such preferred stock on a firm commitment basis was signed with Thomas James Associates last month.

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CARLSBAD, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Vencor International Inc. (Bulletin Board: 3VNCO) Tuesday announced receipt of an initial order from Toys 'R' Us Inc., one of the nation's largest diaper retailers, for ''Didee Snugs,'' Vencor's 100 percent cotton cloth reusable diapers.

Marketing of the diapers by Toys 'R' Us will commence with a sales test at 83 stores nationwide. If the marketing test is successful, Didee Snugs will be sold at all Toys 'R' Us locations.

''This order is an important development for Vencor because, together with our retail agreements with Wal-Mart and Target, we will have established retail contact with an enormous number of American diaper buyers,'' commented James F. Althoff, president of Vencor. ''We are uniquely positioned to answer the growing call for reusable, high-quality and environmentally safe diapers.''

Vencor International already sells the patented cloth diapers through Wal-Mart and Target stores, as well as through other significant retail outlets across the United States. The U.S. market for diapers is estimated to be larger that $4 billion per year.

The company also plans to enter the adult urinary incontinence business, which the National Institutes of Health estimates to be a $10 billion market.

Vencor International is one of the few publicly traded companies that produce 100 percent cotton cloth diapers. Didee Snugs incorporate the advantages of disposables, including elasticized leg bands, an adjustable waist and a form-fitting design.

They improve upon disposables by being more economical to use, by featuring Velcro fasteners, and by being more durable and environmentally safe. Vencor is located in Carlsbad, Calif., with manufacturing centers in Mexico.

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REDMOND, WA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - In a continued effort to make Microsoft SQL Server available to an expanding customer base, Microsoft Corp. Tuesday welcomed 11 new companies into its two strategic ''SQL Server Partners programs.''

This represents participation growth of more than one hundred percent in these distribution programs in less than three months.

Matesys and mdbs have now joined Microsoft's exclusive SQL Business Partners Program.

In addition, today the following companies have joined the recently announced Microsoft SQL Solutions Partners Program:

o Aardeus Corp.
o Enfin Software Corp.
o Pansophic Systems Inc.
o Pioneer Software Systems Corp.
o Precision Software Inc.
o Software Publishing Corp.
o Software Products International
o SQLSoft
o Terminal Applications Group

These programs were designed by Microsoft to make SQL Server available through qualified companies. Companies who participate in either program work closely with Microsoft through joint advertising, bold end-user programs, cooperative sales calls, and so forth.

''These programs are designed to deliver complete client-server network solutions to customers,'' said Dwayne Walker, Microsoft senior product manager applications server group, network business unit. ''We are very pleased with the way that these two programs have taken off. They are truly benefiting customers and resellers by providing them with a large choice of solutions today.''

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ:MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems, network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, CD-ROM products and hardware for the microcomputer marketplace.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - H.B. Chan has been named corporate senior vice president and senior managing director -- Singapore Operations for Conner Peripherals Inc., (NYSE: CNR), it was announced Tuesday by William J. Almon, president and chief operating officer.

In this position, Chan will be responsible for Conner's manufacturing operations worldwide, including the company's successful new facilities in Irvine, Scotland and Penang, Malaysia, and its facility in San Jose. He had been managing director -- Singapore Operations since joining the company in May 1987.

''H.B. has effectively managed the tremendous growth of our Singapore manufacturing facility, and led the team that brought our Scotland facility on-line in just three months,'' said Almon. ''Fulfilling customer's needs faster, with greater levels of quality and efficiency, is our highest priority. H.B.'s skill and experience will be a great asset as we prepare for the next level of volume growth.''

Prior to joining Conner, Chan was managing director of the Singapore subsidiary of Printronix Inc. and was vice president of Far East Operations for National Micronetics Inc.

Reporting to Chan will be Patrick Ngo, vice president and managing director, Singapore Operations, and Patrick Yeo, vice president and managing director, Malaysia Operations. Ngo and Yeo previously were directors of their respective operations for Conner.

Conner Peripherals designs, manufactures and markets worldwide, high-performance 2.5- and 3.5-inch Winchester disk drives for workstations, fileservers, and the new generation of desktop, portable, laptop and notebook microcomputers. These systems are based on 16-bit, 32-bit and RISC-based microprocessors and require greater storage capacity, faster access time, lower power consumption and smaller size than previous disk drives.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Conner Peripherals Inc. (NYSE: CNR) Tuesday announced the appointment of Hank Josefczyk, senior vice president, worldwide sales, and John Stacey, vice president, marketing.

The newly-created positions report to C. Scott Holt, executive vice president, sales and marketing.

Josefczyk will be responsible for sales to Conner OEM customers and distributors worldwide. Prior to joining Conner, Josefczyk was senior vice president, marketing and sales for NEC Electronics Inc.

Stacey will be responsible for product marketing, applications engineering, product advertising and public relations. Before joining Conner, Stacey was director of marketing and business development for Metaphor Computer Systems.

''The appointments of Hank and John add tremendous depth to our richly-experienced management team,'' said C. Scott Holt, executive vice president, sales and marketing, in making the announcements. ''We look to each to play an important role in the growth of this company, particularly in Asia and Europe.''

The company also announced the appointment of John Haughey, vice president Asia sales, and Bobby Toda, vice president, North America and Major Account sales. Prior to joining Conner, Haughey held a similar position at Seagate Technology. Toda previously was vice president, Asia sales, at Conner.

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PURCHASE, NY (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - IBM announced Tuesday the awarding of more than $3.5 million to help finance 21 child care and elder care projects in nine communities across the country where its employees live and work.

The announcement is part of IBM's comprehensive strategy to increase the supply and improve the quality of child care and elder care programs nationwide.

Funds are being awarded to projects in Burlington, Vt.; Charlotte and Raleigh/Durham, N.C.; Southern Connecticut; Dallas; Moline, Ill.; Montgomery County, Md.; Rochester, Minn., and Westchester County, N.Y.

The announcement represents the largest distribution from the $25 million IBM Funds for Dependent Care Initia- tives since the program was introduced last year. To date, IBM has awarded more than $4.5 million to support 45 pro- jects in 20 cities.

Major programs being funded include a child care center project near Raleigh, N.C. IBM and Quality Child Care Inc. will fund the construction and initial start-up costs of a child care center at the Research Triangle Park complex. The center, owned by Quality Child Care Inc. and operated by Resources for Child Care Management, will accommodate 100 to 125 children, including infants and toddlers.

IBM and Burroughs Wellcome will fund quality enhance- ments to other Raleigh area child care centers, finance a family day care campaign, as well as finance two elder care projects to expand respite care options for employed caregivers in the greater Raleigh area.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The following is a statement from Michael A. Hammer:

My grandfather was a man of great vision and great energy. No sooner did he accomplish one goal than he was off pursuing a new and more distant dream, and he used his energy unsparingly in those pursuits.

His most recent - and by far his most ambitious - dreams have been to help bring about a lasting peace between the West and the East and to help find a cure for cancer.

In recent years, great strides have been made toward accomplishing these goals

and this legacy is a tribute, at least in part, to my grandfather's unyielding perseverance in the face of what seemed to be insurmountable odds.

My grandfather was very devoted to his family and his love and guidance will be greatly missed. We rejoice that he is at peace in heaven forever. Funeral arrangements will be announced when they are complete.

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SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Nichols Institute (ASE:LAB) and MAWD Medical Laboratories Inc. Tuesday announced that they have signed a definitive agreement with respect to the previously announced merger.

In the merger, the shareholders of MAWD will receive consideration to be paid for the business and covenants not to compete of $1.75 million in cash, future payments with a present value of $2.0 million, and a new class of preferred stock convertible into approximately 111,000 shares of Nichols Institute common stock.

Dependent on future events, preferred stock convertible into 35,700 additional shares of common stock may be issued and cash payments having a present value of $1.0 million may be made. The effective date of the merger is expected to be during the first week of January 1991.

MAWD serves physicians, hospitals and clinics in western Missouri and eastern Kansas. For the fiscal year ended June 30, MAWD's laboratory revenues were approximately $6.2 million.

Nichols Institute provides esoteric diagnostic testing to clients nationwide in the fields of endocrinology, genetics, immunology, microbiology, molecular biology, oncology, serology, special chemistries, toxicology and virology. It also has regional laboratories in California, the Pacific Northwest and in the Midwest that provide clinical testing to those markets.

The company also provides NIDA certified substance abuse testing to clients nationwide. Nichols Institute Diagnostics manufactures kits for the performance of medical diagnostic tests that are distributed worldwide.

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RANCHO MIRAGE, CALIF. (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - StratAmerica Corp. announced it has selected SiBer Properties Inc., Portland, Ore., to identify and secure locations for its franchised ''Field of Dreams'' baseball card and sports memorabilia retail business.

The ''Field of Dreams'' retail store is an upscale approach to merchandising sports collectibles in high-traffic regional shopping malls.

StratAmerica's subsidiary, Sports Archives Inc., has been licensed by MCA, Los Angeles, to use the name ''Field of Dreams'' in the sports memorabilia business. The organizational and documentation process of the franchising program is expected to be completed toward the end of the first calendar quarter of 1991.

SiBer Properties Inc. was instrumental in site identification and procurement for StratAmerica when it was the majority owner of Shari's Management Corp. for Shari's Restaurants.

StratAmerica's management has previously been associated with the management of SiBer Properties in the development of a 1,100 unit restaurant chain. SiBer Properties management was responsible for the selection of about two-thirds of those locations. ''Field of Dreams'' retail stores are seeking 500-900 square-foot locations in high-traffic regional malls.

Earlier this month the second ''Field of Dreams'' company owned retail store was opened at the Fashion Mall in Indio, Calif. A third store is expected to open later this month at the Glendale Galleria; Glendale, Calif. ''Field of Dreams'' corporate development plans are directed toward building a network of baseball card and memorabilia retail stores coast to coast.

The primary focus to achieve that goal is the national franchise program, along with continuing to open company owned stores in the Southern California market.

StratAmerica's stock is traded on the NASDAQ system in the over-the-counter market with the symbol STCO.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Falcon Cable Systems Co., a California limited partnership (AMEX:FAL), announced a regular quarterly distribution of 54 cents per unit, payable Feb. 14 to unitholders of record Dec. 31.

Falcon Cable Systems Co. owns, operates and develops ''classic'' cable

television systems serving approximately 172,000 subscribers in over 100 communities in California and Oregon that do not receive a wide variety of clear television broadcast reception.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Silicon Beach Software Inc. Tuesday shipped Personal Press, the company's new, easy-to-use, full-featured page layout program for the Macintosh.

Developed for the casual user, Personal Press offers the power of desktop publishing with a minimum investment of time and money.

Personal Press pushes interface technology to the next step with interactive proxies. This technology provides constant, interactive graphic feedback to the user as an aid in the design and layout process.
  These graphic ''proxies'' let users know exactly what is going to happen to their document before it takes place.

Personal Press delivers ease-of-use with its unique AutoCreate feature. With AutoCreate, users can assemble text and graphics into one of the numerous predesigned templates provided with the program or easily expand the power of AutoCreate by designing and adding their own templates.

In addition to placing text created with many stand-alone word processors, Personal Press provides a full-featured word processor, with custom styles to allow users to create and edit text directly in their publication. The program also provides a spell checker and thesaurus, as well as the ability to do a search-and-replace on text, fonts, styles, and sizes.

Advanced users will find the extended capabilities of Personal Press extremely helpful. Plug-in modules allow scanning directly from within the program. Image controls allow for adjustment of scanned gray-scale images. Text and graphics can be rotated. The program also offers full color graphic import and display to accommodate gray-scale TIFF and 24-bit color PICT images for output to color printers or for printing spot color separations on black-and-white printers. In addition, advanced halftoning optimizes gray-scale image output to any black-and-white printer, even those without PostScript capability.

Other interface innovations include the Workbook, which works like a scrapbook but is separately attached to each document; Posted Notes, highlighted in yellow, for holding working notes, editing comments or reminders; Link Navigator which sequentially highlights the links in a text chain; and the

Equals Tool which quickly makes objects the same size.

Silicon Beach Software, a subsidiary of Aldus Corp., publishes a family of graphics, multimedia, and publishing software. The firm's other products include SuperPaint, a combined paint-and-draw program: Super3D, a 3D modeling and animation package; Digital Darkroom, a gray-scale image processing package and SuperCard, a multimedia authoring program.

Aldus Corp. (NASDAQ:ALDC) creates computer software that helps people throughout the world effectively communicate information and ideas. Aldus distributes all products through an international network of more than 16,000 authorized dealers and distributors.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Encore Computer announced that it has signed an Agreement in Principle with Gould Inc., under which Gould will acquire, through an exchange of debt, $50 million of new Convertible Preferred Stock and $10 million of new Redeemable Preferred Stock.

President and Chief Executive Officer Kenneth G. Fisher said, "This expression of confidence by Gould in Encore's future is very important. We are clearly positioned for long term growth with this refinancing."

He added that, "This action, along with the introduction of our new 90 Series systems and over $25 million of shipments from our new Concept 32/2040 (Seahawk) System, makes Encore's market position exceptionally strong as we enter 1991."

In connection with the exchange of debt for equity, Gould and Encore will enter into a new revolving credit facility and Gould will receive a license which may entitle Gould to use Encore technology in three to five years.

The Convertible Preferred shares will be convertible into Common at $3.25 per share. If the new Convertible Preferred together with existing Preferred shares owned by Gould were fully converted, Gould's ownership of Encore's outstanding Common Stock would increase from approximately 32 percent to 52 percent.

The new Preferred Stock will be non-voting except the Convertible Preferred will be entitled to vote on an as-converted basis on any proposed sale or merger of the company.

Gould's President and Chief Executive Officer, C. David Ferguson, commented,

"Our commitment to Encore's future remains firm. We believe that the combination of good management, outstanding new products, and this additional financing, provides Encore the ingredients necessary for success."

Encore Computer Corp., an international company headquartered in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., provides cost-effective computer systems solutions for time-critical applications. Encore manufactures three families of parallel and distributed computer systems: the Encore 90, CONCEPT/32, and Mutlimax, and has a $1 billion installed base of over 8000 systems worldwide.

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BURLINGTON, MA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Cognos (TSE/CSN; NASDAQ/COGNF) Tuesday introduced a new computer-aided software engineering (CASE) tool for Digital VAX systems that significantly advances the integration of design, code generation, documentation and maintenance support of business applications.

Cognos' PowerCASE is significant because it is the first CASE tool fully integrated within a fourth-generation language (4GL) environment -- PowerHouse -- and ANSI-standard SQL relational databases. According to Computer Intelligence, PowerHouse is the leading 4GL for VAX systems with a 28 percent market share.

PowerCASE enables users to create applications more quickly and easily than other CASE solutions by working completely within the PowerHouse application development environment, from design to documentation. By comparison, most competitive CASE solutions are stand-alone tools that only help analysts draw the logical picture of an application on paper.

PowerCASE takes analysts beyond conventional CASE tools. It provides the power to create comprehensive designs with tight integration between both the data and processes and actually generates the application as designed. Because it is integrated with PowerHouse, ANSI-standard SQL and RMS, PowerCASE can automatically generate menus, screens, reports and batch programs needed for high quality business applications. The mouse-driven, graphical user interface of DECwindows is used to increase user productivity.

PowerCASE is also distinguished by its ability to support ongoing maintenance of the application. As users develop applications with PowerCASE, the software automatically generates on-line documentation. The DECwindows interface allows for the display of different views of the application, ranging from data flow diagrams to PowerHouse 4GL and SQL code.

By contrast, applications developed with conventional CASE tools require programmers to manually document and maintain the software, a task which disconnects maintenance enhancements from the original local views of the application. Since such changes are rarely reflected in the original CASE model of the application, the inherent productivity gains of CASE are negated because maintenance programmers waste valuable time trying to make sense out of the un-documented application model.

This PowerCASE feature is important because maintenance is the biggest bottleneck in the application development industry. Industry analysts estimate up to 80 percent of all MIS programmers are involved in maintaining software, leaving few resources available to develop new applications. With PowerCASE's advanced maintenance environment, companies can continually evolve applications to keep up with current needs, while freeing up programmers to develop new applications.

Cognos markets application development software used on mid- range computers. The publicly-held company is headquartered in Ottawa, Canada, with worldwide sales, service and marketing operations in Burlington, Mass. Its PowerHouse product is used at over 16,000 installations in 68 countries.

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PURCHASE, NY (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - IP Forest Resources Co. (IPFR), managing general partner of IP Timberlands Ltd. (IPT), Tuesday announced a cash distribution of 72 cents per Class A Depositary Unit in IPT covering the period from Oct. 1, 1990 to Dec. 31, 1990.

The cash distribution is payable Feb. 15, 1991 to holders of record at the close of business on Dec. 31, 1990.

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WHITE PLAINS, NY (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Every 16 seconds someone suffers a

head injury and many of those result in cognitive impairment or memory loss.(a)

The inability of persons with cognitive impairments to recall their family and friends or to recognize common household items can cause great difficulty in their daily lives.

IBM Tuesday introduced THINKable(b), a multimedia software program operating on the Personal System/2(b). THINKable is a state-of-the-art multimedia solution for cognitive impairment that therapists can use in treating the some 12 million people in the U.S. who suffer memory loss resulting from injury, developmental disabilities, substance abuse, degenerative disease and neurological disorders.

''THINKable helps a cognitively impaired person sharpen memory skills through the innovative use of computers,'' says Juan M. Sabater, IBM corporate director of community programs. ''IBM developed THINKable as part of an ongoing commitment to help individuals with disabilities achieve greater personal and professional independence through the use of technology.''

THINKable enables psychologists, occupational therapists, speech/language pathologists and doctors to assist the patient or client in working independently. The sense of the client's personal accomplishment is heightened and clinicians are able to work with more than one client at a time.

THINKable uses multimedia technology on the PS/2(b), including animation, photos and natural voice to prompt users through clinical practice sessions that help improve memory, attention, discrimination and sequencing. Sample tasks that can be performed using THINKable include responding to specific images that appear on screen, identifying pairs of images that are similar or dissimilar, and recalling the order in which images appear.

For example, voice and/or text can prompt the user to touch a target image like a chair and on the next screen to identify images that are different, say an ice cream cone or flowers.

Therapists can use sample practice strategies provided with THINKable or tailor practice sessions to meet individual client needs. IBM's latest solution for the disabled not only allows for cost efficiencies related to expanded clinical productivity, it also enables clinicians to easily generate graphic and tabular reports for case managers, doctors, families and insurers. With the U.S. cost for treating cognitively impaired individuals at approximately $25 billion per year, the need for documenting treatment is ever increasing and complex.

THINKable will be marketed by authorized remarketers to educational institutions; clinical professionals (psychologists, psychiatrists, neuropsychologists); speech, language and hearing professionals; occupational therapists and others in health-care and clinical institutions. Currently,

The Psychological Corporation in San Antonio, Texas, is the only remarketer certified to sell THINKable. IBM expects that other remarketers specializing in requirements of THINKable's intended market, also will be certified to market the product.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Genzyme Corp. (NASDAQ:GENZ) Tuesday announced that Robert Carpenter, executive vice president of Genzyme and chairman and chief executive officer of IG Laboratories (Genzyme's 59 percent owned subsidiary) has resigned.

He will leave full-time employment with Genzyme in early January. He will remain as a director of IG Laboratories and will continue working closely with the company.

Robert Carpenter, executive vice president of Genzyme, said, ''I have accomplished the goals Henri Termeer, chairman and chief executive officer of Genzyme, and I set out together at the time of the merger of Integrated Genetics with Genzyme and have enjoyed working with him.''

Henri Termeer, chairman and chief executive officer of Genzyme, said, ''Bob Carpenter has been extremely instrumental in implementing a successful merger and in helping lay the foundation for the explosive growth of Genzyme Corp.'' He continued, ''we will continue working together on a case-by-case basis and we wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors.''

Genzyme Corp. is a diversified health care products company based on the development of novel therapeutic proteins and biomaterials. The company is currently engaged in the operation of its growing diagnostics products, pharmaceuticals and fine chemicals businesses. The company is headquartered in Cambridge and Framingham, Mass., and Maidstone and Haverhill, England, and an international sales and marketing office located in Tokyo, Japan.

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LAS VEGAS (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - In addition to today's introduction of PowerCASE, Cognos (NASDAQ/COGNF; TSE/CSN) is also exhibiting at DEXPO West a variety of integrated software tools from its PowerHouse application

development environment.

This includes a new release of Cognos' InQuizitive reporting software.

InQuizitive is a powerful end-user reporting tool used to retrieve and analyze business information without the help of MIS professionals. The new release 6.0 provides features that increase InQuizitive startup speed by 400 percent, and processing performance by 30 percent. The package includes a pop-up menu interface to PowerHouse-supported files, extensive context-sensitive help, report painter and manager, basic business graphs, and the ability to transfer data to popular PC- based applications such as Lotus 1-2-3.

Other PowerHouse products exhibited this week at DEXPO West include: PowerHouse 4GL, the leading fourth-generation language on Digital VAX/VMS systems. According to Computer Intelligence, PowerHouse is the leading 4GL for VAX systems with a 28 percent market share. PowerPlay, an easy-to-use package for displaying and analyzing business information in colorful graphics on PCs running Microsoft Windows 3.0.

PowerHouse ARCHITECT, an automatic documentation and maintenance tool for PowerHouse-developed business applications. PowerHouse ARCHITECT 6.00.A, announced today, provides full compatibility with PowerHouse 6.0. PowerHouse StarBase, Cognos' VAX/VMS-compatible relational database management system.

In addition to exhibiting these products, Cognos is also featuring PowerCASE at DEXPO West. Announced today, PowerCASE is a tool for Digital VAX systems that significantly advances the integration of design, code generation, documentation and maintenance support of business applications.

Cognos' PowerCASE is significant because it is the first CASE tool fully integrated within a fourth-generation language (4GL) environment -- PowerHouse -- and ANSI-standard SQL relational databases.

Cognos markets application development software used on midrange computers. The publicly held company is headquartered in Ottawa, Canada, with worldwide sales, service and marketing operations in Burlington, Mass. Its PowerHouse product is used at over 16,000 installations in 68 countries.

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NATICK, MA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Access Technology Inc., a CompuServe

company, Tuesday announced that it has begun shipment, on schedule, of a Novell PC network version of its ForComment Document Review Software.

ForComment, widely hailed as one of the first useful ''workgroup'' software tools for personal computers, enables organizations to take advantage of their LAN technology in order to streamline the document review process and enhance the quality and accuracy of the finished document.

The introduction of ForComment for Novell PC networks continues the entrance of Access Technology, an established vendor of group and personal productivity software tools, into the PC-LAN marketplace.

ForComment addresses the problem -- shared by everyone in an organization -- of needing input on written work. This work can vary from simple memos and agendas, to complex proposals, contracts and technical documentation, while the reviewers might be dispersed across departments, buildings and even time zones.

The traditional, inefficient method of collecting co-workers' input consists of distributing photocopied pages, then collecting handwritten scrawls, Post-It notes, and orphan electronic-mail messages. In contrast, ForComment automatically distributes a draft document, created in one of several popular word processors and editors, to a designated list of reviewers. The reviewers can then comment on the document -- and each other's comments -- on-line.

ForComment collects all the comments and suggested revisions -- freeing the document's author to focus on shaping the text, rather than chasing paper; and provides a permanent record of how the group arrived at the finished document.

ForComment reinforces an organization's investment in existing productivity tools, by building upon commonly used PC application software. ForComment can be used to review documents created with popular word-processing packages, such as WordPerfect and Microsoft Word, and utilizes electronic-mail systems such as cc:Mail to alert viewers to the beginning of a review process. A Logical Expansion of the Access Technology Product Family

ForComment was originally introduced by Broderbund Software in 1986. Access obtained an exclusive license to the technology underlying ForComment in 1989, in order to improve the product's utilization of PC-LANs, and to develop a version for Digital Equipment Corp.'s VAX/VMS computers, as well. Registered users of the Broderbund version of ForComment may upgrade to the new version of ForComment at a reduced cost by contacting Access Technology at 508-655-9191. Pricing and Distribution

The Novell PC-LAN version of ForComment is available now, at $1295 for a 10-user license, plus $100 for each additional registered user. Volume discounts are available.

ForComment is sold directly by the Access Technology sales force, and will also be sold through VARs, systems integrators, network-based resellers and OEMs.

Since September, Access Technology has also been shipping versions of ForComment that are designed for Digital Equipment Corp.'s VAX/VMS and ALL-IN-1 Office Software computing environments. Access Technology Inc.

Access Technology Inc., the largest component of CompuServe Inc.'s Software Products Division, was founded in 1980. The company maintains offices around the globe and is headquartered in Natick, Mass. Based in Columbus, Ohio, CompuServe is a wholly-owned subsidiary of H&R Block Inc.

With nearly one million users at more than 40,000 licensed sites, Access is one of the world's largest suppliers of group and personal productivity software tools. The company's family of products includes: 20/20, the leading spreadsheet for VAX/VMS, UNIX-based systems and a host of other workstations and minicomputers; 20/20 RealTime Spreadsheet; Vivid Presentation Graphics; ForComment Document Review Software; and several 20/20 add-in connectivity tools.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Management Technologies Corp. (''IMTECH'') 1/8NASDAQ:IMTKA (common), IMTKU (units), IMTKW (warrants)3/8 Tuesday announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, IMTECH Optical Systems, and Bell & Howell Document Image Products Company have signed an agreement which will allow Bell & Howell to private label IMTECH's ''COINS'' (Computer Output INformation System) PC-based optical data storage software.

COINS allows computer output to be stored, retrieved, and viewed or printed, eliminating the need for paper copies, computer output microfilm or expensive magnetic storage.

Under the terms of the agreement, Bell & Howell will offer COINS in their product line under the name ''Image Search Plus-5000'' computer output data storage solution. The product complements the Bell & Howell ''Image Search'' microfilm and optical disk based document management systems by allowing users to electronically access both scanned image and computer output documents.

Pierce Lowrey, Chief Executive Officer of IMTECH commented, ''Our agreement with Bell and Howell will enable COINS to further penetrate the computer output market which is a key element in our aggressive COINS marketing program. COINS is currently installed in the government, distribution,

banking, finance, hospitality, health care, transportation and manufacturing industries.''

The Bell & Howell Document Image Products Company, headquartered in Chicago, Illinois, provides micrographic and optical disk software and systems to a wide range of industries that require specialized document management techniques, retrieval and control.

''COINS'' is easily upgraded, growing from a single PC-based workstation to multiple workstations with multiple optical disk drives operating on a local area network. IMTECH believes its COINS product is uniquely positioned to capture a significant portion of the rapidly expanding optical information systems (''OIS'') market.

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SUNNYVALE, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Poqet Computer Corp. Tuesday announced an agreement with Ingram Micro D Inc. for distribution of The Poqet PC.

Effective immediately, Ingram Micro D will stock and distribute all Poqet products including: The Poqet PC; The Poqet WorldPort 2400 modem; the Poqet Floppy Drive and PC Card-based software from leading publishers.

Ingram Micro D Inc. is the world's largest distributor of microcomputer products, marketing and distributing more than 8,000 products from over 500 of the world's top hardware manufacturers and software developers. It serves as a wholesale distributor to over 40,000 reseller customers in the United States Canada and Europe.

Ingram Micro D Inc. operates two international subsidiaries, Ingram Micro D Ltd. of Canada and Ingram Sofeurop of Belgium. The company is headquartered in Santa Ana, Calif., and achieved sales in excess of $1 billion in 1989.

Poqet (pronouced ''pocket'') Computer Corp., founded in 1988, is the leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of high-performance, truly portable personal technology products. The company's first product, The Poqet PC, received the 1989 PC MAGAZINE Technical Excellence Award for Portable Computers and the 1989 BYTE MAGAZINE Award of Distinction.

The privately held company is jointly owned by its founders, employees and Fujitsu Ltd. Headquartered in Sunnyvale, Poqet has operations and offices in Monterey, Calif.; Westborough, Mass.; Dallas; Atlanta; Rye, N.Y.; Newport Beach, Calif.; Seattle; and Hoffman Estates, Ill. Poqet also has international offices in Paris and Sophia Antipolis, France; Langley, England; Frankfurt; Rome and Amsterdam.

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - SCI Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:SCIS) Tuesday announced that its board of directors has authorized the purchase, in open market and privately negotiated transactions, of up to $20 million (market value) of the company's 5-5/8 percent convertible subordinated debentures (''1987 debentures,'' NASDAQ:SCISG) due March 1, 2012.

The company said the timing and amount of 1987 debentures to be purchased from time to time, if any, would depend upon a number of factors, including market price. As of Nov. 30, 1990, the aggregate principal amount of 1987 debentures outstanding was $75 million.

SCI Systems Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and services electronic products and systems, primarily for the computer and office automation, aerospace, telecommunications, medical and banking industries, as well as for the U.S. Government.

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WINSTON-SALEM, NC (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. and its fellow members of the Tobacco Institute Tuesday announced new initiatives to discourage young people from smoking.

The new initiatives expand the system of voluntary restraints the tobacco industry has adhered to for nearly 20 years. The new initiatives include:

-- A national program to help retailers observe and enforce state laws prohibiting tobacco sales to youth. The store signage and education

campaign's theme is: ''It's the Law.''

-- Industry support for passage of new state laws setting a minimum age of 18 for cigarette sales in those states without a minimum age law or one lower than 18.

-- Industry support for new state laws requiring supervision of cigarette vending machines located in places frequented by minors.

-- Sharp new limitations on the distribution of product samples and premiums; requirements that billboard cigarette advertisements be at least 500 feet away from schools and playgrounds; and other new guidelines that supplement current industry codes.

-- Support materials for parents to use in encouraging their children to resist peer pressure to smoke. The materials will be promoted through a multi-million dollar advertising campaign.

The Tobacco Institute's program for the retail industry is designed to encourage strict adherance to state laws that prohibit the sale of cigarettes to minors. With the active involvement of retail organizations around the country, the program will reinforce the fact that tobacco products, in accordance with most state laws, should only be sold to those 18 years of age or older.

The theme of the campaign, ''It's the Law: We do not sell tobacco products to persons under 18,'' is availabe on point-of-purchase materials, including signs, decals, stickers and lapel buttons. In three states, the materials will indicate that the law sets 19 as the minimum age for the sale of cigarettes.

The program materials will also include tips for retail employees on complying with the law. Materials will be made available free of charge to retail outlets and will be promoted through advertisements in national and state retail publications.

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RONKONKOMA, NY (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Logitek Inc. (NASDAQ:LGTK) Tuesday received the first ''SUPERIOR QUALITY SUPPLIER'' Award from General Dynamics Corporation as part of a new program begun by General Dynamics approximately a year ago to identify superior quality suppliers from among its roster of suppliers throughout the United States.

The Award was presented to LOGITEK Inc., a Ronkonkoma, Long Island, electronics engineering and manufacturing company, to honor its management and staff for having attained a remarkable quality rating of 99.9 percent. LOGITEK, which has been a supplier to General Dynamics for more than 20 years, supplies power monitoring equipment and control devices used in General Dynamics' major electronics systems, such as the ground launch cruise missile, F-16, B1-B, C-17, and Trident submarines.

Commenting on receiving the first Award, LOGITEK President, Herbert L. Fischer stated, ''The recognition of the quality of our products that this honor represents is a major event for LOGITEK and a reaffirmation of the importance of quality to our long-term success. Our commitment to the highest degree of product integrity will continue to build confidence in us on the part of our customers, thereby cementing strong, long-term relationships,'' Fischer concluded.

The award was presented to LOGITEK today by James Coney, General Dynamics Vice President of Materiel; and Thomas Donnelly, District Quality Assurance Representative, at LOGITEK's Ronkonkoma, headquarters.

LOGITEK Inc. manufactures and markets electronic power monitors and controls and electronic power supplies for use in mobile systems such as aircraft and space vehicles, aboard ships, vehicular mobile communications and radar systems, off-shore rigs, and pipeline control stations. In addition, LOGITEK is engaged in contract manufacturing operations.

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VALENCIA, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Airvision has signed an agreement with Air Holland to be the first carrier in the world to install Airvision's new generation of mutli-channel entertainment systems, announced Charles A. Bucks, president and CEO of Airvision, and John N. Block, president and CEO of Air Holland.

Airvision, a North American Philips company based in Valencia, is the pioneer of multi-channel inflight entertainment systems. The newest generation Model 400 Cabin Management Entertainment System offers the most advanced information and entertainment environment available. The entertainment portion of the system allows passengers to electronically select from as many as 12 video channels and up to 30 audio channels.

In addition, passengers can order beverages, indicate meal preferences, go ''tele-shopping'' with on-screen catalogues, make hotel reservations, car rental reservations, purchase duty free items and make direct-dial telephone calls from their individual seat.

Air Holland, the Dutch charter airline, is slated to install the system in the luxurious comfort class of two Boeing 767 aircraft in mid 1991. The seatback units will be positioned in new seats on aircraft with routing to the Caribbean and Kenya and other long distance destinations in Southern Europe and North Africa.

Airvision, in the interim, will provide Air Holland with Model 30 multi-channel seatback units which will offer five channels of hosted video programming in Dutch and German and an additional channel featuring ''Air Show.'' ''Airvision is extremely pleased to have Air Holland as the launch customer for our exciting new generation of entertainment and cabin management systems,'' stated Bucks.

North American Philips Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of N.V. Philips of the Netherlands, is one of the 100 largest industrial companies in the U.S. with operations in consumer products, lighting products, electrical and electronic components, medical diagnostic imaging systems, and other professional equipment marketed under many well known brands, including Philips, Magnavox, Norelco, Philco, and Sylvania audio-video.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Enron Corp. (NYSE: ENE) announced Tuesday that John A. Urquhart has been elected to the corporation's board of directors.

With Urquhart's election, the number of Enron directors now stands at 16.

''Jack will bring significant contributions to all of our business units, but we are particularly pleased to be able to benefit from his extensive background in power generation,'' said Kenneth L. Lay, chairman and chief executive officer of Enron.

Urquhart is senior vice president of General Electric Co. and formerly headed General Electric's Industrial and Power Systems, the world's largest manufacturer that designs, produces, sells, constructs and services equipment and systems for the generation, transmission and distribution of electric power. General Electric builds or designs about half of the gas turbines used around the world.

Urquhart joined General Electric in 1949 and served in a number of assignments in the company's gas turbine, power generation sales, delivery, construction and engineering services businesses. He was named senior vice president and group executive of construction and engineering services in 1981 and executive vice president with responsibility for General Electric's international operations in 1982.

He became executive vice president with responsibility for the power systems sector in 1985 and was named senior vice presdient with responsibility for GE Industrial and Power Systems in 1986.

Urquhart is a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute. He is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers' Industry Advisory Board, the Advisory Board of the Wharton Center for International Management Studies, the British-North American Committee, the U.S. Council for Energy Awareness, and the American University of Cairo.

Enron Corp., America's leading natural gas company with approximately $11 billion in revenues and $9 billion in assets, operates the nation's largest natural gas transmission system; markets natural gas, gas liquids, crude oil and refined products nationally and worldwide.

Enron Corp. owns 84 percent of Enron Oil & Gas Co., one of the country's largest independent (non-integrated) natural gas exploration and production companies; and also is one of the largest independent producers of electricity in the United States, with extensive experience in combined heat and power installations.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Allen F. Jacobson, chairman and chief executive officer of 3M Co., has been elected Chairman of the United States Council for International Business, it was announced Tuesday by the Council's trustees.

Jacobson, who succeeds Joseph E. Connor, chairman of Price Waterhouse World Firm, is an active participant in world business forums.

In accepting the council's chairmanship, he said, ''The Council plays a pivotal role in assessing key global business issues, and, most importantly, formulating policies and taking action to achieve solutions, particularly in light of today's momentous worldwide poltiical and economic events.

''At a time of both unprecedented competition and opportunity for American

business in global markets, and at a time when the future of global trade is being shaped in Geneva and Brussels, the work of the U.S. Council has never been more important than it is today.''

Jacobson identified three major concerns for global competition in the '90s: structural and technological changes, trade and investment protectionism, and responsible environmental actions.

The U.S. Council advances the global interests of American business both at home and abroad, with the objective of promoting an open system of trade, finance and investment. Its business policy positions, formulation in some 25 committees drawn from its membership of 300 multinational U.S. corporations, range from East-West relations and the European Community to worldwide trade and employment policies and protection of intellectual property rights.

Jacobson has spent his entire business career at 3M and was elected to his present position of chairman and CEO in 1986. Among his many other business and civic affiliations, Jacobson serves as a director of Mobil Corp., Northern States Power, Potlatch Corp., Sara Lee Corp., U.S. West, and Valmont Industries.

Jacobson is chairman of the Emergency Committee for American Trade. He serves on the board of overseers of the Executive Council on Foreign Diplomats. He is also a member of, among other organizations, the Advisory Committee for Trade Policy and Negotiations, the Conference Board, Business Council, Business Roundtable, and the U.S.-USSR Trade and Economic Council.

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AMSTELVEEN, THE NETHERLANDS (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - KLM Royal Dutch Airlines announces changes to the KLM network.

BERLIN Effective March 31, 1991, the first day of the summer schedules, KLM will be operating to Tegel Airport in the western part of Berlin.

Services to Schoneveld Airport in former East Berlin will be suspended on the same date.

KLM currently operates two weekly return flights to Schoneveld.

The Schiphol-Tegel v.v. service will be three weekly flights until April 14,

1991. The service will then be upgraded to a daily return service by NLM CityHopper operating Fokker F28 aircraft carrying 80 passengers.

KLM has decided to operate to Tegel with its ultra-modern facilities partly because it is closer to the city center than Schoneveld.

KLM retains its rights to continue to operate to Schoneveld besides Tegel on the grounds of air-political agreements concluded with the former East and West German governments.

KANO Services to Kano, northern Nigeria, will be resumed on January 14, 1991, with two weekly flights from Schiphol. Final destination will be Accra in Ghana. The service will be operated with DC-10 aircraft.

Resumption of the Kano service comes several weeks after the national airlines of the two countries reached agreement on a number of air-political and commercial issues.

The Nigerian government has meanwhile given its approval. KLM had to suspend its Kano services on August 10 this year. Nigerian civil aviation authorities withdrew KLM's rights to operate to this destination with immediate effect on that date.

The three weekly services between Schiphol and the Nigerian capital, Lagos, have continued uninterrupted.

AMMAN Effective Jan. 3, 1991, KLM's services to the Jordanian capital of Amman will be stopped. This destination was served three times a week. The decision to halt services has been taken on commercial grounds in the light of the KLM drive to achieve permanently lower cost levels.

The continuation of KLM sales activities in Jordan is subject for further study. KLM will retain its rights to operate scheduled services to and from Amman.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation announced Tuesday that Ron K. Glover has been named president, North America, Dun & Bradstreet Information Services, effective January 1, 1991.

Glover joined Dun & Bradstreet in March 1990 as president, Dun & Bradstreet Business Credit Services, which consists of U.S. Credit Services, Information Resources, Dun & Bradstreet Receivable Management Services and American Credit

Indemnity.

In his new position, Glover also will assume responsibility for Dun & Bradstreet Business Marketing Services and Dun & Bradstreet Canada, Ltd.

D&B Business Marketing Services consists of those D&B units that serve the information needs of business-to-business and education marketers, including Dun's Marketing Services, Market Data Retrieval and Compumark. Dun & Bradstreet Canada, Ltd. provides customers with information on nearly 700,000 Canadian businesses, as well as access to information on millions of firms outside Canada.

As previously announced, Dun & Bradstreet Information Services supersedes the company's Business Information Group, effective January 1, 1991, and will consist of D&B's worldwide commerical-credit, credit-insurance, receivable-management and business marketing services operations.

The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation is the world's largest marketer of business information and related services, with worldwide revenue of $4.3 billion in 1989.

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NORWOOD, MA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Telco Systems Inc. (TELC:OTC National Market) announced Tuesday that sales for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 (ended 11/25/90) increased 18 percent to $22,625,000, compared with $19,137,000 for the same period last year.

Net income for the quarter increased to $1,670,000, or 18 cents per share, compared with $1,090,000, or 12 cents per share, a year ago. Average common shares and equivalents for the quarter amounted to 9,214,000, compared with 9,028,000 last year. The company's financial condition remained strong with cash and short-term investments at quarter end amounting to $20,527,000.

Paul D. Lazay, president and chief executive officer, said the record quarterly results reflected very strong performance in its Fiber Optic Transmission Equipment Division which posted a 34 percent sales increase over last year. The increased earnings also included improved gross margins in the company's two product areas which, combined with the higher sales volume, more than offset increased R&D spending and a higher effective tax rate.

Lazay said sales of a variety of fiber optic multiplexers and transmission systems increased sharply to several Bell Operating Company customers for local loop applications. In the Network Access Products Division, shipments

of DCB-24 and ROUTE-24 T1 access multiplexers exceeded last year, but the Division's sales were slightly below a year ago due to shipments of custom network products included in last year's first quarter.

New T1 development programs underway for frame relay applications and switched 56 kbps transmission service as well as recent new customer approvals offer excellent opportunity for market expansion of both the DCB-24 and intelligent ROUTE-24 access multiplexers. In the transmission area, Telco's FOX-2 and T-HUB fiber optic extension systems and other local loop products are providing outstanding price/performance for a number of telephone companies serving growing business demand for fiber optic service in metropolitan areas, suburban office parks, and rural communities.

The outlook remains positive for continued gains in total sales and earnings for the balance of the fiscal year. In the T1 multiplexer area, inventory adjustments by certain customers may lower near-term demand, however, good growth is expected for the full year. In the fiber optic transmission product area, the outlook is strong with revenues and earnings expected to continue ahead of plan. Telco Systems Inc., based in Norwood, designs and manufactures high-speed digital fiber optic transmission terminals, digital multiplexing equipment for telephone and other applications, and network access multiplexers for the customer premise T1 market.

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CLEVELAND (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Stouffer Hotel Co., a unit of Nestle Enterprises Inc., announced Tuesday it has purchased the Stouffer Nashville Hotel from Lloyds International Corp.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Stouffer has managed the 673-room hotel since its opening in August 1987. Lloyds International, a subsidiary of London-based Lloyds Bank PLC, acquired the hotel from its original developers in 1987 before construction was completed.

''This purchase strengthens our ties to Nashville and reaffirms our long-term commitment to this dynamic city,'' said William N. Hulett, president of Stouffer. ''We are proud to be in Nashville, a city we believe has a bright future.''

The 25-story hotel topped by six floors of office space, adjoins the Nashville Convention Center. The hotel contains 31,000 square feet of meeting space including a 17,900 square-foot grand ballroom and 14 other meeting rooms, two

restaurants, spa, indoor swimming pool, hydrotherapy pool, sauna and outdoor sundeck.

The top two floors have been designated as Club Floors, a Stouffer feature offering concierge service, private lounge, complimentary continental breakfast and evening hors d'oeuvres, and special in-room amenities.

There are 40 Stouffer hotels and resorts located throughout the continental United States, Hawaii, Mexico and the Caribbean. A 565-room hotel in downtown Chicago is scheduled to open in fall 1991, a 360-room resort will open on Tampa Bay in St. Petersburg in spring 1992 and a 400-room hotel at Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport is slated for completion in late summer 1992.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLOMBIA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Queenstake (TSE:QTR) is pleased to announce that Amax Gold Exploration Inc. has entered into an option agreement with the company to earn an interest in Queenstake's Snowsquall property in Nevada.

As consideration for the granting of the option Amax has paid Queenstake $100,000 and reimbursed property payments made since Sept. 7, 1990.

To earn a 60 percent interest, Amax is required to spend $1,000,000 over a four year period. After Amax has earned 60 percent, the parties will participate 60/40 in a joint venture on the property.

Should Queenstake decide not to participate in taking the property to feasibility, then Amax has the right to fund feasibility and earn an additional 10 percent interest. When a production decision is made, Queenstake again has the right to participate in funding or Amax may proceed alone and earn an additional 10 percent interest.

During the term of the option Amax will make all cash property payments and, within 30 days of a production decision on the property, Amax will make a cash payment of $200,000 U.S. to Queenstake. Should Queenstake decline participation at each optional funding stage it will retain a 20 percent working interest.

Snowsquall consists of 268 claims covering the southern half of the Farrell Mining District in Pershing County, Nevada. Previous exploration has outlined several areas of anomalous gold and trace element geochemistry associated with strong hydrothermal alteration which will be tested by Amax as part of their program.

The exploration target is a bulk tonnage heap leach hot springs gold deposit hosted by Tertiary silicic volcanics.

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WALNUT CREEK, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - ADJUSTCO Inc., announced a significant improvement in profitability.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, the company reported audited revenues of $30 million and income from operations of $.2 million which represents a $3.6 million improvement from the prior year results.

Commenting on the operating results, Art Yoss, president and chief operating officer, stated, ''the actions taken in 1989 and 1990 to return the company to profitability were successfully accomplished. We are highly confident about the future of ADJUSTCO and will continue to focus our efforts on providing the highest quality of service and satisfaction to our existing and new clients.''

ADJUSTCO provides services to a wide range of clients including Fortune 1000 companies, municipalities, public entities and other self-insured corporations and associations through a work force of 600 professionals located in 34 offices.

CONTACT: ADJUSTCO Inc., Walnut Creek
Anthony G. Todd, 415/295-1660.

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#90345b0761 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Ehrlich Bober Financial Corp. announced Tuesday that Melvin Howard, retired vice chairman of the board of the Xerox Corp., was elected president and chief executive officer.

Burtt R. Ehrlich, 51, one of the firm's founders, remains as chairman.

Ehrlich Bober announced on Oct. 9, 1990 that its investment banking and broker/dealer subsidiary, Ehrlich Bober and Co., would cease its municipal operations. At that time the parent company indicated that it would consider alternative future operations.

Ehrlich said, ''With the windup of the municipal bond business essentially behind the firm, we can now focus on new opportunities. We view Melvin Howard joining the firm as a positive step in our reorganization efforts. We will

now sharpen our focus as we look at new opportunities for the company in the financial services industry.''

Howard added, ''I'm delighted to be associated with Ehrlich Bober. Our chief goal at this time is to rebuild a successful financial services business.''

Howard, 55, joins Ehrlich Bober after 20 years at the Xerox Corp. In addition to his post as vice chairman of the parent company, he was chairman and chief executive officer of Xerox Financial Services Inc. A graduate of the University of Massachusetts and the Columbia Graduate School of Business, Howard spent a number of years at the Ford Motor Co. and SCOA Industries Inc. Howard is a director of Goulds Pumps Inc. and a trustee of the Conference Board and the Norwalk Hospital.

CONTACT: Ehrlich Bober Financial Corp., New York
Neil S. Baritz, 212/856-4304.

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#90345b0762 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire

ROCKY HILL, CT (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Ames Department Stores Inc. (NYSE:ADD), Tuesday reported a loss of $183.2 million, or $4.97 per share, including restructuring charges of $129 million, for the third quarter ended Oct. 27.

For last year's third quarter, the restated loss was $1.6 million, or 9 cents per share.

Ames said the loss for the quarter before restructuring charges was $54 million, reflecting a significant improvement over the company's earlier expectations. The company's second-quarter loss, before non-recurring charges was $79.4 million.

The $129 million restructuring charge consisted principally of non-cash provisions to reflect the charges associated with the disposition of closed-store leases and owned real estate and property, as well as actions required for the previously announced closure of six stores. Adverse real estate market conditions caused extremely limited credit availability for potential buyers of retail properties and resulted in lower than anticipated sales of leases for many of the more than 200 stores closed in the second quarter, Ames said.

Ames reported total sales for the third quarter of $740.2 million. Comparable store sales declined 9.2 percent. The 1989 adjusted sales, excluding sales from 221 closed stores, totalled $838.3 million.

Ames filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S Bankruptcy Code April 25. The company sought court protection to reorganize its business and

finances. Ames operates 461 discount department stores in 17 Northeastern states.

CONTACT: Ames Department Stores Inc., Rocky Hill
Douglas K. Ewing, 203/563-8600
or Bill Robens, 203/563-8666

-30- 1854
#90345b0764 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire
SCARSDALE, NY (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Terminal Applications Group Inc. (NASDAQ: TAGI) Tuesday announced the formal release of it's ''Light Years Ahead'' STAR ALPHA SYSTEM version 1.0.

In addition, TAG announced its membership in the Microsoft SQL Solutions Partners program, a joint marketing alliance in which Microsoft will work closely with TAG. Under this agreement, Microsoft will provide TAG with sales and marketing support, technical support, and access to additional distribution channels.

The TAG STAR ALPHA SYSTEM is the first application for the distribution industries which is designed to take advantage of client/server architecture offered by the Microsoft SQL Server. STAR ALPHA is designed to meet the needs of medium to large businesses. It supports migration and downsizing from proprietary mini and mainframe based systems to the high performance open networked client/server architecture offered by SQL Server.

Sales order and quotation entry, invoicing, pricing, inventory management and purchasing, and all general accounting functions are comprehensive, yet easy to use.

TAG has provided computerized solutions for distributors since it was founded in 1969. The company markets software, hardware, support services, consulting and facilities management services to commercial businesses throughout the country.

CONTACT: Terminal Applications Group Inc., Scarsdale
Bob Gelman, 914/723-0800

-30- 1618
#90345b0772 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire
SHAWNEE, OK (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Barton Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:BART) Tuesday provided additional information about the manufacturing problems associated with the company's Pump-Off Plus product line.

The problems causing the company's inability to sell the Pump-Off Plus product as reported in its news release of Dec. 10, were corrected in September of

1990 and the company is currently selling the product and expects it to be a major revenue and profit contributor in fiscal year 1991.

CONTACT: Barton Industries Inc., Shawnee
C. W. Earl Johnson or Victor L. Joyce, 405/273-7660

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#90345b0780 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire

REDONDO BEACH, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - TRW Space & Technology Group's Federal Systems Division has been selected as a winner of the NASA/Goddard Excellence Award for Quality and Productivity for 1989-90.

The NASA/Goddard Excellence Award is designed to recognize the highest standards of performance among NASA/Goddard's aerospace industry contractors, subcontractors and suppliers. It is NASA's highest recognition for quality and productivity and achievement.

Awards were given this year in two categories: large and small companies. TRW was selected in the large company category. Key criteria in the selection process were performance, schedule, cost, quality and management commitment.

TRW's award was based largely on its track record on two programs: the Gamma Ray Observatory and the Tracking & Data Relay Satellite. Both are programs of national significance. The Gamma Ray Observatory will help NASA map gamma rays, an invisible form of energy that promises to reveal clues to the fate and the formation of the universe.

This 17-ton spacecraft is now awaiting launch in the spring of 1991. TDRS is NASA's communications workhorse, relaying information between Space Shuttles and scientific satellites in low earth orbit and the ground. Three TRW-built TDRS satellites are now in orbit providing continuous flawless service.

R. Gordon Williams, vice president and general manager of the Federal Systems Division, said, ''We are deeply honored by the NASA/Goddard Award for Excellence. Since its founding, TRW has engineered quality into its spacecraft, and we have focused our continued dedication to quality in the Total Quality Management program that was formalized in 1988.

TRW Federal Systems is a division of TRW Space & Technology Group, based in Redondo Beach, Calif. The group has built more than 175 communications, defense and scientific spacecraft; developed over 200 advanced space instruments; and integrated some 550 experiments into their spacecraft.

Over 90 percent of the TRW spacecraft delivered to U.S. government customers over the past 20 years have exceeded their design lives, providing about $5 billion in extra service.

CONTACT: TRW Federal Systems, Redondo Beach
Montye C. Male, 213/812-4721

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#90345b0792 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire
HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The company announced its asset based lender has foreclosed under its loan agreement.

All of the company's assets will be sold at Public Auction on Dec. 13, 1990. Resultantly, as of that date, Unifast will cease as an operating entity.

CONTACT: Unifast Industries Inc., Hauppauge
Joel C. Schneider, 516/348-0290

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#90345b0793 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Tri-Continental Corp., the nation's largest diversified, publicly traded, closed-end equity investment company, Tuesday declared a fourth quarter dividend of 25 cents per share from net investment income on the corporation's common stock.

The dividend is payable Dec. 27, to common stockholders of record Dec. 21.

J. & W. Seligman & Co. Inc., founded in 1864, is an investment manager and advisor with over $7 billion in assets under management, serving individuals, institutions, and pension plans. In addition to Tri-Continental, the firm manages the Seligman family of funds, with 30 portfolios and Seligman Select Municipal Fund, a closed-end tax-exempt bond fund.

CONTACT: J. & W. Seligman & Co., New York
Ellen De Domenico, 212/488-0382.

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#90345b0817 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - With the signing of a contract on Dec. 10, the planned investment in DHL Limited by Japan Airlines, Lufthansa and the Japanese trading company Nissho Iwai, first announced in May, is now official.

DHL is a worldwide door-to-door delivery company.

Under terms of the contract with DHL holding companies DHL International and Middlestown N.V., JAL and Lufthansa each took five percent shareholdings and Nissho Iwai 2.5 percent in both of the DHL companies.

The deal included options for shareholdings of up to 25 percent for both JAL

and Lufthansa and 7.5 percent for Nissho Iwai, to be taken up over the next 18 months.

JAL, Lufthansa and Nissho Iwai have also taken shareholdings in the U.S.-based DHL Corp. JAL and Lufthansa have taken one percent each and Nissho Iwai half a percent.

No monetary amounts were disclosed.

DHL's worldwide network of 1,350 depots in 184 countries handles 40 million packages a year, and revenues for the 1990 fiscal year are estimated at $1.9 billion.

CONTACT: Japan Airlines Public Relations Dept., New York
Morris G. Simoncelli, 212/310-1221.

-30- 1314
#90345b0819 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire

CHICAGO (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Kemper Capital Markets (KCM) Tuesday announced the formation of an executive committee at the firm.

The announcement was made by KCM President James Fitzgerald.

''The Kemper Capital Markets Executive Committee will be responsible for managing KCM as an entity, and for providing direction and focus for the firm '' Fitzgerald said. ''This committee represents our senior management team at KCM,'' he said. ''I am pleased and excited to be promoting these individuals to this important assignment.''

The KCM Executive Committee includes Fitzgerald and Robert Davis Jr., Peter Lahti, Richard Morton, Thomas Reedy, and J. Douglas Casey. Fitzgerald said in conjunction with the announcement, three of the members named had been promoted from senior vice president to executive vice president, and given expanded responsibilities at the firm.

Robert Davis Jr., a senior vice president who was co-director of the municipal bond department, was promoted to executive vice president and manager of that department.

Peter Lahti, KCM senior vice president and taxable fixed-income group national sales manager, was promoted to executive vice president and manager of all institutional sales and trading for taxable fixed-income products.

KCM Senior Vice President Richard Morton, who had been responsible for corporate bond trading, assumed the post of executive vice president with responsibility for all retail fixed-income trading, sales and marketing.

The other individuals promoted to the KCM Executive Committee are Thomas Reedy who heads up investment banking and fixed income research for KCM, and J. Douglas Casey, who is chief administrative officer of KCM, with responsibility for facilitating KCM activities within the Kemper organization, and addressing the needs of the KCM client base.

Kemper Capital Markets is a division of Kemper Securities Group Inc. (KSG). KCM supports the retail and fixed-income sales efforts of the five regional KSG brokerage divisions (Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards, based in Los Angeles; Blunt Ellis & Loewi, based in Milwaukee; Boettcher & Company, headquartered in Denver; Lovett Underwood Neuhaus & Webb, headquartered in Houston, and Prescott, Ball & Turben, based in Cleveland) through the distribution of taxable and tax-exempt fixed products to this brokerage network.

Kemper Capital Markets also manages institutional fixed-income sales activities for KSG, and supports those distribution efforts with extensive research and investment banking capabilities.

CONTACT: Kemper Financial Services, Chicago
Martin Gawne, 312/845-1905.

-30- 2840

#90345b0820 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire

CHICAGO (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE:S) and the Dean Witter Financial Services Group announced that Sears indirect wholly owned subsidiary, Discover Receivables Financing Group Inc., Tuesday expect to offer for sale $500 million of Discover Card Trust 1990 E 8.375 percent Class A Credit Card Pass-Through Certificates through an underwriting syndicate managed by Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co.

The securities are expected to be priced at 99.577 percent of par plus accrued interest from Dec. 1 resulting in a yield of 8.56 percent.

The principal asset of Discover Card Trust 1990 E will consist of credit card receivables generated or to be generated by the Discover Card. The certificates will represent undivided ownership interests in the Trust. The certificates will be rated Aaa by Moody's, AAA by Standard & Poor's and AAA by Duff & Phelps.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration

or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

A copy of the prospectus may be obtained from Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., Two World Trade Center, New York, NY 10048 or Goldman, Sachs & Co., Prospectus Department, 85 Broad Street, New York, NY 10004.

CONTACT: Sears, Roebuck and Co., Chicago
Gerald E. Buldak, 312/875-8371.

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#90345b0826 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Re Capital Corp. (AMEX:RCC) (the ''company'') announced Tuesday that its board of directors approved an additional stock buy-back program to purchase for its treasury in the open market up to an additional $1,509,729 worth of its Common Stock.

The new stock buy-back program supplements earlier buy-back programs under which the company has repurchased 1,483,584 shares of its Common Stock at a price of approximately $15,700,000. $490,271 remains available from previously announced buy-back programs, in addition to the $1,509,729 authorized today. The funds for the new stock buy-back program will come from existing corporate funds. Thus, the buy-back program will not use capital of the company's principal subsidiary, Re Capital Reinsurance Corp. Purchases may be suspended from time to time or be discontinued.

In addition, the board of directors of the company announced the exercise on Dec. 10, by John Deere Insurance Co., of its warrant to purchase 750,000 shares of the company's previously unissued common stock for $9.33 a share. The proceeds ($6,997,500) will be used for general corporate purposes, including stock repurchases. This exercise of warrants increases ownership by the John Deere Insurance Group and its affiliates of the company's common stock to over 20 percent of the outstanding shares.

CONTACT: Re Capital Corporation, Stamford
Thomas J. Linahan, 203/977-6100.

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#90345b0827 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire
HUNTSVILLE, AL (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - First AmFed Corp. (NASDAQ:FAMF) announces payment of a cash dividend for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990.

Morris W. Anderson, chief executive officer, announced that at a board meeting on Dec. 10, 1990, the board of directors of First AmFed Corp. approved the payment of a cash dividend in the amount of 20 cents per share on stock outstanding as of record date Dec. 31, 1990, payable Jan. 11, 1991.

This represents the corporation's 13th consecutive cash dividend declared since it began quarterly declarations in December 1987.

CONTACT: First AmFed Corp., Huntsville
Morris W. Anderson or William F. Childress, 205/539-5761.

-30- 845

#90345b0831 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire

HOUSTON (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - The Tenneco Inc. (NYSE:TGT) board of directors Tuesday elected Kenneth W. Reese, currently an executive vice president and member of the board, to the new position of vice chairman of Tenneco Inc.

The board also elected Allen T. McInnes, an executive vice president, to membership on the board of directors.

Additionally, the board elected James K. Ashford, currently president and chief executive officer of J I Case, an executive vice president of Tenneco Inc. and a member of the board of directors. Ashford joins Ketelsen, Reese and McInnes as a member of the corporate office.

All the elections are effective immediately. Reese, McInnes and Ashford will continue to report to James L. Ketelsen, chairman and chief executive officer. Their executive responsibilities will not change.

Reese, 60, will remain responsible for Tenneco's pipelines, shipbuilding, automotive products and minerals businesses. McInnes, 53, will continue to be responsible for the packaging, chemicals and land businesses as well as operations technologies and international development.

Ashford, 53, will remain responsible for J I Case, Tenneco's largest division which produces agricultural and construction equipment. Ashford will continue to be located at Case headquarters in Racine, WI, for the present time.

Reese joined Tenneco as senior vice president and chief financial officer in 1975 from Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. He was named executive vice president in 1978 and was elected to the board of directors in 1983. He was graduated from the University of Houston in 1954 with a bachelor of business administration degree.

Both the University and the College of Business Administration have recognized him with their respective distinguished alumni awards. He is a member of the College of Business Administration Dean's executive advisory board. Reese is a director of Texas Commerce Bancshares, Fleming Cos. Inc., the Texas Medical Center, the Cotton Bowl Athletic Association, The Forum Club of Houston and the National Jewish Center for Immunology and Respiratory Medicine.

McInnes joined Tenneco in 1960 in the financial department and began a career that has included posts as director of financial evaluation and development, vice president for corporate planning and development, president of Tenneco West and senior vice president for international development. He was named executive vice president in 1982.

McInnes was graduated from the University of Texas with bachelor's and master's degrees in business administration and a doctor of philosophy degree in business. He is a director of NCNB Texas Corp., Ronald McDonald House, the American Graduate School of International Management, the Greater Houston Partnership and the National Minority Supplier Development Council. He also is a trustee of the Houston Contemporary Arts Museum and of Kinkaid School.

Ashford joined Walker Manufacturing Co., a division of Tenneco's automotive business, in 1958. At Walker, Ashford rose to become executive vice president finance and administration. He became executive vice president of Tenneco Automotive when that division was formed in 1977, and was next named president of Monroe Auto Equipment Co., another division of Tenneco Automotive, in 1978.

He was named a vice president of Tenneco Inc. in 1981 in charge of long range planning and development, and as chief executive officer of Tenneco Automotive in 1982. He was named to head J I Case in 1987. Ashford was graduated from Mississippi State University with a bachelor of science degree in accounting.

He is on both the External Research Advisory Council and the Development Foundation of Mississippi State. He is a director of Cummins Engine Co., the Equipment Manufacturers Institute, the Racine Area Manufacturers and Commerce Association, and the Associates of the National Agricultural Library.

CONTACT: Tenneco Inc., Houston Tom Slocum, 713/757-3430

-30- 4225

#90345b0833 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - SWM Media Buying Group Inc., an established South Florida national media buying service, has created a niche in the media placement market.

Over the last several months, a number of clients in both business opportunity and employment services have created a demand for their media buying and tracking skills in providing a base to purchase national classified advertising space.

For those who don't understand the complexity of such a service, imagine having to deal with over 300 newspapers every week through individual classified personnel, buying five or six lines of classified space, inserting the order by fax and phone, tracking the costs and monitoring the number of confirmed and unconfirmed insertions, keeping track of all the tearsheet

confirmations and then providing the client a fully detailed report of all purchasing activity.

Donna West, media director and vice president stated, ''The most frustrating part is having to deal with phones and fax machines contantly ringing, and with most insertion costs less than $15, it's a media director's nightmare.''

Smiley Sansoni, marketing director for SWM Media, explained the reason for the success of SWM in this particular niche. ''We have found there exists a large number of companies for whom advertising in national classifieds is a major part of their resourcing of people, and also lead generation for any number of products and services.

''Classified advertising seems to be a very viable alternative for low cost national presence and results. What makes it even more attractive for our clients is that the cost to them for our services in most cases is paid for not by them, but rather by the newspapers.

''Most companies before utilizing our services were spending anywhere from 15-30 hours of people time, not to even mention fax, phone and accounting time.

''We represent a substantial savings to any client in all of these areas, because they provide us only with the typewritten ad and a newspaper list and we do the rest.''

It certainly appears that SWM has discovered an area of media placement that may not be as glamorous as most, but is definitely increasing in demand.

CONTACT: SWM Media Buying Group Inc., Fort Lauderdale
Smiley J. Sansoni, 305/523-3028, FAX 305/523-3517.

-30- 2541
#90345b0862 12/11/1990 ~Business Wire

TINTON FALLS, N.J. (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation today announced that Concurrent's common stock will continue to be included for quotation in the National Association of Securities Dealer's Automated Quotations System (NASDAQ) via an exception from the capital and surplus requirement. NASD officials granted the exception following a review of Concurrent's recapitalization plans.

While Concurrent failed to meet this requirement as of June 30, 1990, the NASD has granted a temporary exception from this standard subject to Concurrent meeting certain conditions. While the company believes that it can meet these conditions, there can be no assurance that it will do so. If at some future date the company's securities should cease to be quoted on the NASDAQ System, they should continue to be quoted in the over-the-counter market. For the duration of the exception the company's NASDAQ Symbol will be CCURC.

Concurrent Computer Corporation, headquartered in Tinton Falls, New Jersey, is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through the Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems Groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCURC) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

CONTACT: Concurrent Computer Corporation, Vic Taylor, 508/692-6200 (media relations) Barbara Pistilli, 201/758-7576 (investor relations)

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#90345c0002 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - International Tele-Coin Co. Inc. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 630,000 units.

Each unit consists of five shares of common stock and three warrants.

The initial public offering price is $5.00 per unit.

Malone & Associates is underwriting the offering.

The company presently manages and/or owns over 800 privately owned pay telephones in south Florida.

The company's executive office is located at Gables Waterway Executive Center, 1390 South Dixie Highway, Suite 1307, Coral Gables, Florida 33146 and its telephone number is (305) 661-1972.

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#90345c0003 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - Wise Ventures Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 60,000 units. Each unit consists of one share of common stock, one Class A warrant and one Class B warrant.

The initial public offering price is $6.00 per unit. Redstone Securities Inc. is underwriting the offering. This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located c/o John B. Lowy, Esq., 515 Madison Ave., New York, New York 10022 and its telephone number is (212) 371-7799.

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#90345c0004 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - Health Club Television Network Inc. filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer 1.25 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one redeemable common stock purchase warrant. The initial public offering price is $3.00 per unit. Royce Investment Group is underwriting the offering.

The company is a development stage firm which is installing what it believes to be the first advertiser-supported television network, as well as an advertiser-supported radio network, in subscriber health club and fitness center facilities.

The company's executive office is located at 369 Lexington Ave., New York, New York 10017 and its telephone number is (212) 599-2002.

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#90345c0005 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest annual report filed at the NASD by North Carolina Natural Gas.(TICKER: NCNG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$128,539,4492	$143,185,581
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$7,440,970	$8,058,072
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$2.10	$2.29
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,540,455	3,519,277

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$138,471,717	$123,355,627

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#90345c0007 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov.

23, 1990, Lev Scientific Industries Ltd.(TICKER: LEVS) announced a new time for the closing of its acquisition of Litvak Acquisition Corp., organized by the controlling shareholders of Lev to acquire Champion Box Beef Co. (TICKER: CMPO) of Denver, Colorado and its affiliated and related companies.

The time for closing the acquisition of Champion has been extended to Dec. 31, 1990.

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#90345c0008 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 6 1989, Applied Technology Systems Inc. completed a reverse acquisition of Automotive Concepts of America Inc., and relocated its operations to Automotive's offices in Pompano Beach, Florida.

Automotive is now the subsidiary of Applied Technology.

The company's executive offices are located at 150 SW 12th Avenue, Suite 201, Pompano Beach, Florida 33069, and its telephone number is (305) 782-0701.

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#90345c0009 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Workingmens Capital Holdings Inc.(TICKER: WCHI) announced that the Planning Committee of its board of directors, comprised of all but one of its directors recommended the board approve the repurchase, from time to time, on the open market, of up to 3 percent of the corporation's outstanding shares of common stock over the first six months of 1991, and up to an additional 3 percent of the corporation's outstanding shares of common stock over the succeeding six-month period.

The company states the purchases would be made in the open market for not more than $10 per share.

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#90345c0010 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Victoria Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: VICT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$109,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,570,000	$(507,000)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,268,052,000	$1,287,632,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$91,008,000	$88,148,000

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#90345c0011 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by NTN CANADA Inc.(TICKER: NTNC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,210,471	$2,164,635
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$230	$184,451
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.09
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,917,400	2,169,049

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,571,992	$3,616,129
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,614,256	$1,599,626

Figures are expressed in Canadian dollars.

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#90345c0012 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Sept. 27, 1990, the board of directors of TJ Systems Corp. appointed James A. Favia as the fifth director of the company.

Also on that date, the board approved the issuance of a total of 3.0 million Class C warrants to the company's shareholders, to be distributed on the basis of one Class C warrant for each share of common stock outstanding.

The warrants will be exercisable for a period of 45 days after the effective registration of the Class C warrants.

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#90345c0013 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Noise Cancellation Technologies Inc. (TICKER: NCTI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$593,867	$248,413
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(639,197)	$(695,684)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	46,519,657	40,459,877

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,706,569	$2,965,360
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$361,905	$1,183,210

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#90345c0015 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Lexicon Corp.(TICKER: LEXI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,184,543	$17,174,776
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(539,077)	$1,074,387)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,164,315)	$3,172,099)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.28)	$(0.42)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$12,553,016	$17,056,528
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,413,734	$9,010,751

-30- 1002

#90345c0016 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First City Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: CITY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$91,841	$26,099
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,275,098	$749,917

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$149,643,594	$138,453,978
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,771,684	$12,411,080

-30- 870

#90345c0017 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Radva Corp.(TICKER: RDVA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$2,553,000	$3,434,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(340,000)	$(329,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(491,000)	$(79,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.13)	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,134,000	$10,430,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,311,000	$3,780,000

-30- 989

#90345c0018 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 16, 1990, a subsidiary of Firstier Financial Inc.(TICKER: FRST), Firstier Bank Omaha, announced it had assumed the deposits and purchased a substantial portion of the assets for a premium of $851,151 from the Resolution Trust Corp. of Equitable Federal Savings Bank(TICKER: TFSB) of Fremont, Nebraska.

-30- 544

#90345c0019 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 27, 1990, United Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: UBSI) announced it would repurchase up to $5.0 million of the company's common stock on the open market, effective immediately.

The company states there are 8.80 million shares of United Bankshare's common stock outstanding.

United stock closed at $9 per share on the over-the-counter market on Nov. 23, 1990.

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#90345c0020 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Royal Business Group Inc.(TICKER: ROYG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$3,597,000	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$35,000	$117,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,135)	$(428,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.92)	$(0.34)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,470,000	$2,350,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,062,000	$2,130,000

-30- 1005

#90345c0021 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by TAGO INC.(TICKER: TAGO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$691,311	$681,934
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(95,724)	$(19,211)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,189,801	1,048,378

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,807,756	$1,766,055
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,423,057	$1,501,448

-30- 1069

#90345c0023 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Top Source Inc.(TICKER: TOPS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$107,120	$15,375
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(429,308)	$(292,248)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	15,897,975	15,529,600

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,254,036	$4,562,509
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,009,355	$4,128,099

-30- 1075

#90345c0024 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Schultz Sav-O Stores Inc.(TICKER: SAVO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Oct. 6, 1990	Oct. 7, 1989
REVENUES	$110,099,000	$107,364,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$905,000	$1,313,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.31	$0.45
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,910,000	2,904,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 6, 1990	Dec. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$91,166,000	$80,962,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$34,693,000	$31,723,000

-30- 1074

#90345c0025 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows pursuant to the Nov. 21 bankruptcy filing on the part of the accounting firm of Laventhol & Horwath, Timberline Software Corp.(TICKER: TMBS) reports it chose a new accountant, and selected the firm of Deloitte & Touche as its principal auditor.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90345c0026 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by JEC LASERS Inc.(TICKER: JECL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$706,791	$653,621
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$77,159
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(39,252)	$105,808
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.03

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$389,629	$465,116
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(124,658)	$(93,531)

-30- 984

#90345c0027 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:39 that trade in Katy Industries has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol KT.

-30- 306

#90345c0028 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in

Eagle-Picher Industries Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol EPI. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

-30- 367

#90345c0029 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 7:

Digital Biometrics Inc. (DBII)
Geotek Industries Inc. Ser. A Conv Pfd (GOTKP)

-30- 303

#90345c0031 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 10:

Transgenic Sciences Inc. (TSIN) to TSI Corp. (TSIN), Cl. B Wts. 5/2/94 (TSINZ) to Cl. B Wts. 5/2/94 (TSINZ)

-30- 337

#90345c0032 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 31, 1990, Members Service Corp.(TICKER: MSCX) agreed to sell its wholly-owned subsidiary, First American Biltmore Securities Inc., of Phoenix, Arizona, to J. Gordon Nevers, also of Phoenix.

The sale price was $160,000.

Of that total, $50,000 has been received as down payment, the company reports.

The balance of $110,000, bearing interest at 11%, is to be paid in 12 quarterly payments of approximately $10,625 per quarter.

-30- 664

#90345c0033 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Systems Technology Associates Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Aug. 25, 1990	Aug. 26, 1989

REVENUES	$445,956	$315,991
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$45,801	$86,663
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,425,269	3,425,269

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 25, 1990	May 26, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,461,644	$1,270,898
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$451,006	$405,205

-30- 1086

#90345c0034 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:44 that trade in Barton Industries Inc.(NASDAQ: BART) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1 1/4. The company is located in Shawnee, Oklahoma.

-30- 354

#90345c0035 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Katy Industries Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol KT. Trading was resumed at 10:44.

-30- 352

#90345c0036 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 28, 1990, the board of directors of Infotron Systems Corp.(TICKER: INFN) approved the appointment of Coopers & Lybrand as the company's independent accountants.

The company reports it changed accountants because its former accountants, Laventhol & Horwath, filed for bankruptcy protection.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 722

#90345c0037 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 28, 1990, the board of directors of two of Multibank Financial Corp.'s

(TICKER: MLTF) member banks, Falmouth National Bank and Multibank National of Western Massachusetts, entered into written agreements with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency following regulatory examinations done at those banks.

-30- 551

#90345c0039 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 6-K report filed at the NASD by Dynamic Oil Ltd.(TICKER: DYOL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Six Months Ended

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1990
REVENUES	$37,450	$57,069
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(234,413)	$(387,125)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$(0.06)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,137,336	$2,073,240
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,202,006	$1,997,747

Figures are expressed in Canadian dollars.

-30- 1059

#90345c0040 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 6-K report filed at the NASD by Avino Mines & Resources Ltd.(TICKER: AVMR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$102,352	$372,065
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(450,052)	$200,790

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,930,610	$4,513,532
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,652,610	$4,484,369

-30- 954

#90345c0041 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows in February, 1989, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) began a collection action against Media Development Industries Ltd.(TICKER: MDIL), the company reports, for alleged unpaid payroll and income taxes for certain periods during 1989 and 1990.

The company contends it filed appropriate tax returns during these periods, but the IRS claims monies owed with respect to the payment of the reported tax liabilities were never actually paid.

Certain returns also were not filed in a timely manner, according to the IRS.

The IRS is seeking approximately $163,000 with respect to income taxes and $234,000 with respect to payroll taxes, inclusive of interest and penalties through Oct. 29, 1990.

In other news, the company relocated its principal executive offices to 4770 South 900 East, Salt Lake City, Utah 84117, pursuant to an oral lease.

The company reports it intends to move the remainder of its operations to Salt Lake City, except for a limited sales administration staff which will be relocated to New York City prior to Jan. 15, 1991.

The company's landlord began an eviction proceeding against the company on Dec. 3, 1990, to recover the premises and for rent and utilities due from Nov. 15, 1990, in the amount of $21,000.

Media contends the security deposit originally paid to the landlord sufficiently covers the disputed rent and utilities.

Additionally, the company dismissed a total of 29 employees during the two-week period ended Dec. 5, 1990, due to a general restructuring of the company's business operations.

-30- 1804

#90345c0042 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Aicorp Inc.(TICKER: AICP) was advised on Dec. 4, 1990 that Coopers & Lybrand was resigning as the company's certifying accountants because Coopers & Lybrand no longer satisfies the independence requirements promulgated by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Securities and Exchange Commission.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 746

#90345c0043 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Granite State Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: GSBI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$106,000	$439,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.19
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,722,650	1,864,652

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$202,363,000	$208,519,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$24,346,000	$28,205,000

-30- 900

#90345c0044 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Chattem Inc.(TICKER: CHTT) has accepted an initial order for a chemical product from a major U.S. pharmaceutical manufacturer under such circumstances that a major vendor relationship may be established.

The company reports it is not possible to quantify the effect of this possible relationship on sales and earnings, but that it expects the establishment of a continuing vendor relationship would make a positive contribution to profitability.

Additionally, the trustees of the company's defined benefit pension plan trust

have indicated an intention to utilize up to $500,000 to purchase shares of common stock of the company for the defined benefit plan, either in open-market purchases at prevailing prices in accordance with Rule 10b-18 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as amended, or in privately negotiated transactions.

-30- 1107

#90345c0045 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 14, 1990, pursuant to earlier disclosed stock option agreements, shares of Golden Knight Resources Inc.(TICKER: GKRV) were issued to the following persons:

N.B. Keevil, 30,000 shares, Oct. 31, 1990; R.R. Cottrell, 10,000 shares, Nov. 1, 1990; W.B. Keevil, 5,000 shares, Nov. 5, 1990.

As a result of these transactions, the company reports its issued and outstanding capital now is 12.14 million common shares.

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#90345c0047 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 21, 1990, the two members of the board of directors of International Yogurt Co.(TICKER: YOCM) who constitute a majority of the directors who have no direct or indirect interest in the 1990 Non-Discretionary Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors ratified and confirmed the Oct. 16, 1990 actions of the full board of directors of the company in regard to the approval and adoption of the Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan.

The board initially had reserved 100,000 shares of common stock for issuance pursuant to that plan.

-30- 784

#90345c0048 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Kangaroo Franchises Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$417,446	$325,016
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(192,956)	$(300,304)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.87)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$149,572	$285,906
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,185	$(493,215)

-30- 1018

#90345c0049 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by N.D.L. Products Inc.(TICKER: NDLP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,214,490	$2,413,533
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$42,459	$(28,802)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,663,333	$2,538,333

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,365,256	$6,572,704
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,221,163	$2,178,704

-30- 1096

#90345c0050 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY FIRST EXECUTIVE CORP. OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA OWNS 36,602,124 SHARES (41.90%) OF REGENCY EQUITIES CORP.(TICKER: RGEQ) OF CRANFORD, NEW

JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Regency Equities Corp. annual meeting of shareholders was held on Nov. 30, 1990 and five directors, including Robert N. Goodman, Larry B. Faigin and Richard S. Ziman, were elected to serve as directors until the next annual shareholders meeting or until their successors have been elected and qualified. Mr. Faigin is not currently providing any real estate management or other services to Executive Life Insurance Co. or any of its affiliated entities.

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#90345c0051 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Leif Carlsson has filed a power of attorney dated Nov. 30, 1990 which appointed Morris Milmet as attorney in fact for FFV Aerotech International AB and authorized Morris Milmet to execute the amendments 3 and 4 to schedule 13d.

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#90345c0052 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 38, 1990, Ms. Levine converted, without the payment of any additional consideration, all of the 12,500 shares of preferred stock beneficially owned by her into 50,000 shares of common stock. Ms. Levine ceased to be the beneficial owner of any shares of preferred stock on the conversion date.

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#90345c0053 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.L. OTTENSTROER OWNS 110,000 SHARES (5.10%) OF OPTO MECHANIK INC. (TICKER: OPTO) OF MELBOURNE, FLORIDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 6, 1990, D.L. Ottenstroer purchased 10,000 shares at a price of $1.75 per share in an open market transaction.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90345c0055 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 17

GROUP LED BY SHAMROCK ASSOCIATES OF FAR HILLS, NEW JERSEY OWNS 417,935 SHARES (6.70%) OF FIRST WESTERN FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: FWES) OF LAS VEGAS, NEVADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Shamrock Associate, et al. filed suit against the company on Nov. 27, 1990 in an effort to force it to hold an annual shareholders meeting. First Western postponed its annual meeting, scheduled for Nov. 28, because it was negotiating with a potential acquirer of the company. The company has not held an annual shareholders meeting for more than a year.

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#90345c0056 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 5 and Oct. 17, 1990, Mutal and Underwriters, respectively, were place in rehabilitation by the Marion Circuit Court and John J. Dillion III, as the Commissioner of the Department of Insurance of the State of Indiana, was appointed the rehabilitator. The rehabilitator, in accordance with Indiana law has all the powers of the directors, officers and managers of Mutual and Underwriters, whose authority is suspended, except as redelegated by the rehabilitator. The rehabilitator has not redelegated any authority to such individuals.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 16 through Nov. 21, 1990, Mutual Security Life Insurance, et al. sold 743,000 shares at a price of $1.28 to $1.56 per share.

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#90345c0057 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

KELSO MANAGEMENT CO. INC. OWNS 131,345 SHARES (4.90%) OF THE ZIEGLER CO. INC. (TICKER: ZEGL) OF WEST BEND, WISCONSIN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Together, the FIL Investors, the Kelso Investors and Kelso Management Co. Inc. own 655,293 shares or 24.5 percent of the issued and outstanding shares.

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#90345c0058 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD. OWNS 86,100 SHARES (2.10%) OF BUILDERS TRANSPORT INC.(TICKER: TRUK) OF CAMDEN, SOUTH CAROLINA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Fidelity International LTD., together with the Kelso Investors, own 282,400 shares or 6.7 percent.

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#90345c0059 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

H.D. EPSTEIN OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 1,104,500 SHARES (11.37%) OF COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS INC.(TICKER: CCMM).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 18, 1990, Epstein resigned as chairman of the board and chief

executive officer of Computer Communications Inc.; he remains a director of Computer Communications Inc..

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 26 through Nov. 28, 1990, H.D. Epstein sold 97,000 shares at a price of $.50 to $1.06 per share.

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#90345c0060 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD. OWNS 190,906 SHARES (7.10%) OF THE ZIEGLER CO. INC.(TICKER: ZEGL) OF WEST BEND, WISCONSIN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Fidelity International LTD., et al., together with the Kelso Investors and the Integrity Cos., own 655,293 shares or 24.5 percent.

-30- 484
#90345c0061 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD. OWNS 17,000 SHARES (.80%) OF WSMP INC.(TICKER: WSMP) OF CLAREMONT, NORTH CAROLINA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Fidelity International LTD., et al. may be deemed to be acting together with the Kelso investors. The combined holdings of Fidelity International LTD., et al. and the Kelso investors is 113,471 shares, approximately 5.5 percent of those outstanding.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 5 and Nov. 16, 1990 the Fidelity International LTD., et al. purchased 10,000 shares at $3.80 to $4.05 per share.

PURPOSE:

To acquire an equity interest in WSMP Inc.

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#90345c0063 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY KELSO MANAGEMENT CO. INC. OWNS 196,300 SHARES (4.60%) OF BUILDERS TRANSPORT INC.(TICKER: TRUK) OF CAMDEN, SOUTH CAROLINA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Together, Kelso Management Co., et al. and the FIL investors own 282,400 shares, or 6.7 percent of Builders Transport Inc. common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 1 and Nov. 27, 1990 Kelso Management Co., et al. purchased 90,500 shares at $4.03 to $5.27 per share.

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#90345c0064 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY KELSO MANAGEMENT CO. INC. OWNS 333,042 SHARES (12.50%) OF THE ZIEGLER CO. INC.(TICKER: ZEGL) OF WEST BEND, WISCONSIN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Together, Kelso Management Co., et al. and the FIL investors own 655,293 shares, or 24.5 percent of Ziegler Co. Inc. common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 1 and Nov. 16, 1990 Kelso Management Co., et al. purchased 6,586 shares at $10.07 to $13.82 per share.

-30- 637
#90345c0065 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

LOGITECH INTERNATIONAL SA OWNS 3,000,000 SHARES (36.90%) OF ADVANCED GRAVIS COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY LTD.(TICKER: GRVS) OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 30, 1990 Logitech International SA acquired for CND$840,000 an Advanced Gravis Computer Technology LTD. convertible debenture which is convertible after Nov. 30, 1991 into 1.5 million Advanced Gravis Computer Technology LTD. common shares and an immediately exercisable Advanced Gravis Computer Technology LTD. warrant to purchase 1.5 million common shares at $0.70 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 798
#90345c0066 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY OVERSEAS LENDING CORP. OWNS 477,000 SHARES (13.20%) OF ASTEC INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: ASTE) OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Overseas Lending Corp., et al. purchased 77,000 shares at $3.75 per share at an unspecified date.

-30- 469
#90345c0067 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by International Electronics Inc.(TICKER: IEIB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,576,962	$2,797,357
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(248,966)	$(494,573)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.13)	$(0.31)

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,851,657	1,600,443

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,935,093	$1,673,503
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,148,451	$586,935

-30- 1091

#90345c0068 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Williams Controls Inc.(TICKER: WMCO) announced that on Nov. 21, 1990, the company's independent accountant, Laventhol & Horwath, filed for bankruptcy protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

Pursuant to that filing, Laventhol & Horwath informed Williams that it is unable to continue as Williams' independent accountant.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 782

#90345c0069 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Congress Street Properties Inc.(TICKER: CSTP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$457,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(468,000)	$57,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,876,000)	$(1,103,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.74)	$(1.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,075,409	1,095,525

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$14,162,000	$19,441,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,963,000	$12,799,000

-30- 1083

#90345c0072 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by College Bound Inc.(TICKER: BLBD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,234,002	$1,122,779
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$94,806	$149,524
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,256,373	$400,869
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.24	$0.11

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,716,061	$2,020,682
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,708,449	$1,010,355

-30- 988

#90345c0073 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows RealAmerica Co.(TICKER: RACO), general partner of RealAmerica Partners Ltd., announced that Partners had entered a settlement agreement with John Karlton, terminating and settling a suit filed earlier in 1990 in Bernalillo County, New Mexico District Court against RealAmerica Partners, in which RealAmerica Co. owns a 93.75% interest.

Also named in the suit was the First National Bank (TICKER: MTCL) of Albuquerque, co-venturer with RealAmerica Partners in First Plaza Venture.

The two venturers in First Plaza were named as defendants in the suit along with Helmsley-Spear Inc. by John Karlton, sole shareholder of Capital Growth

Corp.(TICKER: CAGC) of New Mexico.

Capital Growth purchased the First Plaza office building and retail complex in Albuquerque, New Mexico from the venture in May, 1988 for $36.63 million in cash and seller financing, consisting of a loan of $1.50 million to Karlton by the venture.

The suit alleged misrepresentation on the part of defendants in the suit in connection with the sale of the property.

It also alleged breach of fiduciary duty in connection with such sale on the part of Helmsley-Spear.

The agreement provides for dismissal of the action with prejudice with respect to First National Bank and RealAmerica Partners, but reserves Karlton's rights to pursue his action contained in that same cause against Helmsley-Spear Inc.

The parties agreed to settle the action and dispute by a payment of $350,000 in cash by plaintiff Karlton to the venture, which payment has been accepted in full by the venture.

Additionally, a hearing on RealAmerica Partners' motion for dismissal pursuant to the agreement is anticipated to be held, the company reports, prior to Dec. 31, 1990.

-30- 2012

#90345c0074 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 21, 1990, the controlling shareholders of Sprouse-Reitz Stores Inc. (TICKER: STRS), John A., trustee of the will of Robert A. Sprouse dated Dec. 29, 1953, Robert A. II, John E., Lucy Sprouse Fletcher and Robert A. Sprouse III, owning in the aggregate, approximately 78% of the voting common stock of Sprouse-Reitz Stores Inc., and SR Partners Inc., an Oregon corporation, agreed to vote all shares controlled by them in favor of the proposed merger of the company with SR Partners.

According to the terms of the merger, SR Partners will be merged with and into Sprouse.

-30- 805

#90345c0075 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

HAWKEYE DEVELOPMENTS LTD. OWNS 781,332 SHARES (11.30%) OF POLESTAR EXPLORATION

INC.(TICKER: PSEAF) OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Hawkeye Developments LTD. has the ability to acquire 70 percent interest in Polestar Exploration Inc. Crystal Peak Garnet Project by providing production financing and by making the following payments: $500,000 Canadian 30 days after permitting and production financing are in place; $500,000 Canadian 180 days after first payment has occurred; and an annual payment of $1,000,000 for four years beginning on the anniversary date of the second payment.

PURPOSE:

To provide funds to Polestar Exploration Inc. and an option/joint venture with Hawkeye Developments LTD.

-30- 950
#90345c0076 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY WARBURG PINCUS CAPITAL CO. LP. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWN 14,275,894 SHARES (34.10%) OF MAGMA COPPER CO.(TICKER: MCU) OF SAN MANUEL, ARIZONA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Also included in shares outstanding for purposes of the percentages calculated are 232,500 shares of class B common stock declared and paid as a dividend on outstanding shares of series B preferred stock for the period from July 1, 1990 through Sept. 30, 1990. Pursuant to the standstill agreement, Warburg Pincus Capital Co. LP., et al. has the sole power to vote and dispose of all the shares of class B common stock beneficially owned by WPCC. Schedule I has been amended and restated in its entirety by the attached Schedule I. After giving effect to the conversion of certain outstanding securities and certain securities held by Warburg Pincus Capital Co. Inc., et al., Warburg Pincus Capital Co. Inc., et al. stake would be reduced to 30 percent with the number of class B shares held remaining unchanged.

-30- 1215
#90345c0079 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

BE NETHERY OWNS 263,809 SHARES (5.10%) OF BROADCAST INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BRIN) OF MIDVALE, UTAH.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Be Nethery acquired the shares as a result of the Dec. 3, 1990 closing of the merger of the Broadcast International Inc. and Check Rite Ltd. under which Be Nethery's 7,088,133 Check Rite shares were exchanged for 253,809 Broadcast International Inc. common shares.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 623
#90345c0080 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY J.M. DAVIS OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 1,032,243 SHARES (18.00%) OF WOLF FINANCIAL GROUP INC.(TICKER: WOFG) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 30, 1990 Davis gave a 400,000-share gift to the Morton Foundation and a 185,100-share gift to Ms. Davidowitz. On Oct. 16, 1990 Blair sold 2,000 shares at $5.75 each.

-30- 558
#90345c0082 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:57 that trade in Magic Years Child Care & Learning Centers Inc. (NASDAQ: KIDS) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 1/2, 7/8. The company is located in Plains, PA.

-30- 402
#90345c0083 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:04 that trade in Barton Industries Inc.(NASDAQ: BART) has been resumed. The first sale was 1 5/8; up 3/8 point from the halt, and down 1 1/4 points from the previous close.

-30- 372
#90345c0084 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Comair Holdings Inc.(TICKER: COMR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$47,823,252	$35,906,614
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,440,162	$2,633,384
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.30	$0.32
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,133,644	8,145,044

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$150,201,615	$128,241,223
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$65,459,611	$60,015,389

-30- 1077
#90345c0085 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 1 1990, Care Plus Inc.(TICKER: CPLS) entered into an agreement and plan of reorganization with New England Critical Care Inc.(TICKER: NECC) (NECC) and its wholly-owned subsidiary, CP Acquisition Corp.

Pursuant to the terms of the agreement and the plan of merger and subject to the approval of stockholders, CPA will merge with and into Care Plus.

Care, as the surviving entity, will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of NECC.

At the effective time of the merger, each outstanding share of common stock of Care will be converted into .775 shares of common stock of NECC.

Additionally, Care and NECC entered a stock option agreement, whereby Care granted NECC the option to purchase up to 18% of Care's outstanding shares of common stock.

NECC granted Care an option to purchase up to 12% of NECC's common stock, at an exercise price per share equal to the closing price of the respective common stock as quoted on the NASDAQ National Market system on Nov. 30, 1990.

-30- 1216
#90345c0086 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Varlen Corp.(TICKER: VRLN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Oct. 27, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
REVENUES	$62,165,000	$57,680,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$758,000	$1,776,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.17	$0.39
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,491,000	4,518,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 27, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$192,157,000	$153,095,000

-30- 1008
#90345c0087 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First American Health Concepts Inc.(TICKER: FAHC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$351,397	$612,061
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$29,580	$218,634
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.08
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,672,048	$2,874,450

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,484,863	$2,462,262
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,110,024	$2,080,444

-30- 1100

#90345c0088 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 10:

Acquisition Capability Inc. (ACQN)
Professional Care Inc. - Uts. 12/9/95 (PCREU), Cl. A Wts. 12/9/95 (PCREW)

-30- 335

#90345c0090 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The following issues will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 11:

CSM Systems Inc. (CSMS) to CSM Environmental Systems Inc. (CSMS)
Growth Development Corp. - Uts. 12/16/90 (GDCXU) to Uts. 3/31/91 (CDCXU)
Stuarts Department Stores Inc. (STUS) to (STUSQ)

-30- 421

#90345c0091 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:23 that trade in Magic Years Child Care Learning Center Inc.(NASDAQ: KIDS) has been resumed. The first bid was 1/4; down 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 399

#90345c0092 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The chairman of a House task force overseeing the Resolution Trust Corp. expressed reservations today over the agency's recently proposed policy which provides it with $7 billion for the financing of its assets.

"The RTC is taking on risks the private sector considers too risky to make, said Rep. Bruce Vento (D-Minn.). "I remain skeptical that this financing scheme represents a greater financial risk simply recycling today's problem back to the American taxpayer tomorrow."

In order to obtain what it considered much need flexibility in its asset sales program, the RTC's Oversight Board agreed last Friday to a plan which provides $7 billion for the financing of all assets determined by the RTC to be illiquid. These assets include commercial real estate with low occupancy, distressed real estate loans and some types of junk bonds.

The action was taken because the RTC, created in 1989 to resolve failed thrifts, has had problems selling off assets at a time when buyers are pulling out of the market and the market is flooded with properties. As prices continue to fall, losses on the sale of assets rise, causing severe cash flow problems for the regulators.

"Seller financing is not my preference," Vento said. "I don't see how these policies won't put the RTC and taxpayers in hot water."

Peter Monroe, president of the RTC Oversight Board, conceded this is not an ideal method to dispose of assets but is necessary due to market conditions.

"If an asset can be sold for cash, that's the preferred way to do it," he said. "I agree with you. This is not the preferred method of doing business but it is in response to the toughening real estate market."

Vento fears that if the RTC finances its assets and prospective buyers default later on, then the RTC will be stuck with the assets again. He suggests a better strategy is to hire an asset manager to hold the assets until they can be sold later for cash.

But David Cooke, chief executive officer of the RTC, said the government is likely to receive more through financing than just selling through cash because a buyer is less likely to default if he has to put his own money upfront.

"Better off structuring a bulk sale transaction where a buyer has to put some of his money at risk rather than an asset manager who puts no money down," Cooke said. "The incentive for the buyer is not to lose on his investment."

"We are not going to jump into this thing willy-nilly," Cooke added. It's a judgment decision. We have to make sure we have procedures in place to try it. Only time will tell."

-30- 2870
#90345c0093 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
By MICHAEL STRAUSS - Comtex Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) COMTEX - The head of the government agency responsible for thrift oversight said today the economic slowdown, particularly in the real estate sector, will hinder the recovery of many ailing savings and loan

institutions fighting for their fiscal health.

"We find that the deterioration in economic conditions, especially in real estate, is adversely affecting the prospects for recovery of many institutions " said Timothy Ryan, director of the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS). "Undercapitalized savings associations will find it increasingly difficult to come into compliance with the capital requirements as weak real estate markets reduce profitability, or increase losses, and prospective investors adopt a wait-and-see attitude."

As of the second quarter of 1990, there were 2,453 private sector thrifts in operation. The OTS has divided these thrifts into four categories, with the first group being the strongest in the industry and the fourth group expected to require government assistance as part of their resolution.

Group III savings associations, characterized by low earnings and poor capital include 350 thrifts holding $165 billion in assets while there are 244 institutions in Group IV. Ryan says the present economic climate will have a particular impact on the former.

"Group III institutions are highly vulnerable to adverse economic and financial conditions and many are showing signs of becoming prospective RTC candidates," Ryan told a House task force looking into the operations of the Resolution Trust Corp.

The RTC was created in 1989 to resolve failed thrifts and Ryan said there are 80 institutions in the weakest category which should be transferred as fast as possible to the RTC. He added third quarter figures to be released shortly will not show significant changes.

"There will be a movement from Group I to Group II, Group III to Group IV," Ryan said. "But the Group IV total won't go up because some thrifts in Group IV will have been transferred to the RTC."

-30- 2291
#90345c0094 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.J. BRASEL OF 16178 EAST PRENTICE PLACE, AURORA, COLORADO 80015, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,570,000 SHARES OF MORGAN MEDICAL HOLDINGS INC. THROUGH KOBER FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 3, 1990.

(MORGAN MEDICAL HLDGS INC. TEL: 813 229-7200)

-30- 438
#90345c0095 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - NUCLEAR ENERGY LTD OF 7835 NEWPORT WAY, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84121, HAS FILED TO SELL 310,000 SHARES OF GLOBAL PLATINUM & GOLD INC.(TICKER: GPGD) THROUGH WILSON DAVIS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 5, 1990.

(GLOBAL PLATINUM & GOLD INC. TEL: 801 943-6884)

-30- 455
#90345c0096 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.S. KALIN OF 757 THIRD AVE, 7TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF PENTECH INTERNATIONAL INC.(TICKER: PNTK) THROUGH WESTFALIA INVTMTS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 5, 1990.

(PENTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 201 287-6640)

-30- 437
#90345c0098 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - E.T. CAVANAUGH OF 6615 EAST 84TH WAY #97, ARVADA, COLORADO 80003, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF YELLOWSTONE RESOURCE INC.(TICKER: YEST) THROUGH RAUSCHER PIERCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 4, 1990.

(YELLOWSTONE RESOURCES INC. TEL: 303 298-1134)

-30- 443
#90345c0099 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TELEPROCESSING ASSOCIATES OF 111 GREENMEADOW DR, DEER PARK, NEW YORK 11729, HAS FILED TO SELL 120,000 SHARES OF WHITEMARK CORP. THROUGH MADISON CHAPIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 3, 1990.

(WHITEMARK CORP. TEL: 516 756-1166)

-30- 420
#90345c0100 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.D. ORR OF 22529 57TH AVE SE, BOTHELL, WASHINGTON 98021, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BIG SKY USA INC. THROUGH KO SECURITIES INC. THE FILING

WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 3, 1990.

(BIG SKY USA INC. TEL: 406 771-7000)

-30- 388
#90345c0101 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R. RUNCK OF 1425 COON RAPIDS BLVD, COON RAPIDS, MINNESOTA 55433, HAS FILED TO SELL 65,000 SHARES OF HIGH COUNTRY VENTURES INC. THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 5, 1990.

(HIGH COUNTRY VENTURES INC. TEL: 612 888-6555)

-30- 416
#90345c0102 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - N.T. STEELE OF 1104 COUNTRY HILLS DR, SUITE 307, OGDEN, UTAH 84403, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC.(TICKER: WSFG) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 5, 1990.

(WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC. TEL: 801 782-9686)

-30- 437
#90345c0103 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.A. HESTERMAN OF 8754 SNOWBIRD CIRCLE, SANDY, UTAH 84093, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF PAN WORLD MINERALS INTL INC. THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 5, 1990.

(PAN WORLD MINERALS INTL INC. TEL: 801 261-3888)

-30- 430
#90345c0104 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C J HOIGAARD OF 3550 SO HIGHWAY 100, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF RAVEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RAV) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(RAVEN INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 605 336-2750)

-30- 408
#90345c0106 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL J TERRA OF 990 SKOKIE BLVD, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: LAW) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 312 498-4700)

-30- 420
#90345c0107 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ICARUS INVESTMENT CORP OF 12 PLANTATION DR NE, ATLANTA, GA 30324, HAS FILED TO SELL 450,000 SHARES OF API ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: APIE) THROUGH YORKTON SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(API ENTERPRISES INC. TEL: 516 582-1581)

-30- 428
#90345c0108 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONNA GUNTHER OF 464 HUDSON TERRACE, ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ 07632, HAS FILED TO SELL 116,834 SHARES OF AGRISTAR INC. (TICKER: AGRS) THROUGH JONES GABLE & CO LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(AGRISTAR INC. TEL: 201 569-4141)

-30- 409
#90345c0109 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK W KRAIGER OF 1105 MASSACHUSETTS AVE, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BSTN) THROUGH D E WINE INVESTMENTS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(BOSTON TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 617 225-0500)

-30- 434
#90345c0110 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KUSLIMA SHOGEN OF 428 CEDAR GROVE LANE, SOMERSET, NJ 08873, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ALFACELL CORP. (TICKER: ACEL) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(ALFACELL CORP. TEL: 201 748-8082)

-30- 405
#90345c0111 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CURTIS A LIND OF 1377 CROWN DR, ALAMEDA, CA 94501, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,807 SHARES OF FINANCIAL CENTER BANCORP (TICKER: FCTB) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(FINANCIAL CENTER BANCORP TEL: 415 788-2265)

-30- 426
#90345c0112 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALAN N SIDNAM OF 780 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10019, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF KELLEY OIL CORP. (TICKER: KOIL) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(KELLEY OIL CORP. TEL: 212 838-5831)

-30- 403
#90345c0114 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVE NOMMENSEN OF 410 17TH ST STE 1080, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,000 SHARES OF ASPEN WIND INC. (TICKER: AWND) THROUGH FIDELITY BRKG SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(ASPEN WIND INC. TEL: 303 629-0747)

-30- 406
#90345c0115 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM E KOENIG OF 718 36TH AVE, SEATTLE, WA 98122, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. TEL: 206 881-7544)

-30- 426
#90345c0116 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM E WAGNER OF 862 HAWKSBILL ISLAND DR, SATELLITE BCH, FL 32937, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF GENTEX CORP. (TICKER: GNTX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(GENTEX CORP. TEL: 616 772-7348)

-30- 410
#90345c0117 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HERBERT L LUXENBURG OF 2166 LYNDWAY RD, BEACHWOOD, OH 44122, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN BUSINESS COMPUTERS CORP (TICKER: ABCC) THROUGH PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(AMERICAN BUSINESS COMPUTERS CORP TEL: 216 733-2841)

-30- 467
#90345c0118 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENILWORTH TR OF 245 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10167, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. TEL: 212 272-2000)

-30- 432
#90345c0119 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERRY A COZBY OF P O BOX # 8, BURNET, TX 78611, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,832 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 372
#90345c0120 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LIFE MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC OF 5001 SPRING VALLEY RD, SUITE 922, DALLAS, TX 75244, HAS FILED TO SELL 105,548 SHARES OF DIRECT PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. (TICKER: DPRX) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(DIRECT PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. TEL: 314 349-1331)

-30- 478
#90345c0122 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HARRY M ROVENGER OF 8235 DOUGLAS AVE, SUITE 780, DALLAS, TX 75225, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ZFAX IMAGE CORP. (TICKER: ZFAX) THROUGH SOUTHWEST SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(ZFAX IMAGE CORP. TEL: 214 358-1350)

-30- 416
#90345c0123 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JUSTIN NEWMAN OF 128 GOLFVIEW DR, 0, JERICO, NY 11753, HAS FILED TO SELL 52,500 SHARES OF BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOCA) THROUGH GRUNTAL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. TEL: 407 394-3066)

-30- 421
#90345c0124 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALD SHALTZ OF 120 WILLOWBROOK DR, PORTOLA VALLEY, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AUTOMOBILE PROTECTION CORP. (TICKER: APCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(AUTOMOBILE PROTECTION CORP. TEL: 800 458-7070)

-30- 442
#90345c0125 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - BRIAN T HOREY OF 109 WEST 77TH ST, 0, NEW YORK, NY 10024, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,336 SHARES OF BE AVIONICS INC. (TICKER: BEAV) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(BE AVIONICS INC. TEL: 714 835-6575)

-30- 406
#90345c0126 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PATRICIA BRADT OF 10 IVY COURT, 0, EASTON, PA 18042, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF S I HANDLING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SIHS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(S I HANDLING SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 215 252-7321)

-30- 428
#90345c0127 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERIC J SCHEDELER OF 12624 NORTH 66TH ST, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF GO VIDEO INC. (TICKER: VCR) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(GO VIDEO INC. TEL: 602 998-3400)

-30- 409
#90345c0128 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES J EGLER III OF 72 HARTFORD AVE, NEWINGTON, CT 06111, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF EASTCO INDUSTRIAL SAFETY CORP. (TICKER: ESTO) THROUGH UNITED PACIFIC FINL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(EASTCO INDUSTRIAL SAFETY CORP. TEL: 203 666-8465)

-30- 450
#90345c0130 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HORNER RICHARD F TRUST OF 2801 YOUNGFIELD, SUITE 240, GOLDEN, CO 80401, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,334 SHARES OF CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CFER)

THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 303 237-5151)

-30- 465
#90345c0131 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MAGUIRE FOUNDATION INC OF 7737 EAST 42ND PLACE, 0, TULSA, OK 74145, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ORS CORP. (TICKER: ORSC) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(ORS CORP. TEL: 918 622-4625)

-30- 403
#90345c0132 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HORACE L SHEPARD III OF 50 LOCUST AVE, P O BOX 125, NEW CANAAN, CT 06840 HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF AURA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AURA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(AURA SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 213 643-5300)

-30- 421
#90345c0133 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VIRGIN ISLANDS TRUST FOR GAGNE OF 5320 HIGHWAY 98 S, P O BOX 338, HIGHLAND CITY, FL 33846, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF CARIBBEAN SELECT INC. (TICKER: CSEL) THROUGH LEW LIEBERBAUM & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(CARIBBEAN SELECT INC. TEL: 813 684-0000)

-30- 480
#90345c0134 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HELFRIED KUEHU OF 6115 NE 82ND AVE, VANCOUVER, WA 98662, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,750 SHARES OF CELEREX CORP. (TICKER: CEXY) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(CELEREX CORP. TEL: 206 623-0225)

-30- 395
#90345c0135 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEIL J COLVIN OF 1 KNOLLWOOD ST, NORTH EASTON, MA 02356, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. TEL: 617 551-4000)

-30- 430
#90345c0136 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERRY L MACHA OF 1171 MEMORIAL #201, HOUSTON, TX 77024, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MSCX) THROUGH KOBER FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. TEL: 713 977-1312)

-30- 406
#90345c0138 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM L COOPER OF 1944 E REDFIELD, TEMPE, AZ 85283, HAS FILED TO SELL 216,157 SHARES OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH) THROUGH SIMMONS & BISHOP CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 602 948-5883)

-30- 420
#90345c0139 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ABBOTT NORTHWESTERN HOSPITAL INC OF 810 EAST 28TH STREET, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55407, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(ANGEION CORP. TEL: 612 559-3370)

-30- 440
#90345c0140 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN TYRANSKI OF 2875 TROY CENTER DR #2025, TROY, MI 48084, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,600 SHARES OF U.S. FILTER CORP. (TICKER: USFF) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(U.S. FILTER CORP. TEL: 213 698-9414)

-30- 419
#90345c0141 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VERONICA BRANCATO OF 3100 BOARDWALK, ATLANTIC CITY, NJ 08401, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DRUG) THROUGH JANNEY MONTGOMERY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(DRUG SCREENING SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 609 228-8500)

-30- 442
#90345c0142 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT G BUTCHER JR OF 308 CHESWICK LANE, RICHMOND, VA 23229, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF INVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: INVF) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(INVESTORS FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 804 323-4500)

-30- 443
#90345c0143 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER B CUMMING OF 14361 SAN ESTEBAN, LA MIRADA, CA 90638, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,100 SHARES OF THE CLOTHESTIME INC. (TICKER: CTME) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(THE CLOTHESTIME INC. TEL: 714 779-5881)

-30- 412
#90345c0144 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FAIRFIELD RESEARCH CORP EPP OF 2335 ALASKA AVE, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,000 SHARES OF AURA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AURA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(AURA SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 213 643-5300)

-30- 429
#90345c0146 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEAN W BROCK OF P O BOX 4235, WICHITA FALLS, TX 76308, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,776 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 390
#90345c0147 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEBORAH GALLIN OF 10 CORNWALLIS RD, SETAUKET, NY 11730, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,800 SHARES OF PHILLIPS (E.N.) CO. (TICKER: ENPQ) THROUGH STRATTON OAKMONT INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(PHILLIPS (E.N.) CO. TEL: 818 999-1330)

-30- 414
#90345c0148 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HENRY B CLARK JR OF 1640 LOGAN ST, DENVER, CO 80203, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,080 SHARES OF WITH DESIGN IN MIND INTL INC. (TICKER: WDIM) THROUGH GILBERT MARSHALL & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(WITH DESIGN IN MIND INTL INC. TEL: 818 407-1286)

-30- 442
#90345c0149 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRED JACOBS OF 128 CENTRAL PARK S, NEW YORK, NY 10019, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF MEGAMATION INC. (TICKER: MEGI) THROUGH THOMAS JAMES ASSOCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(MEGAMATION INC. TEL: 609 799-4473)

-30- 402
#90345c0150 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAROLD L ROSENTHAL OF 938 TERRACE HILL DR, 0, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84013, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH SAN DIEGO SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 468
#90345c0151 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD H WALTER OF 9876 HAMPSTEAD CT, CINCINNATI, OH 45241, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MERIDIAN DIAGNOSTICS INC. (TICKER: KITS) THROUGH FIFTH THIRD SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(MERIDIAN DIAGNOSTICS INC. TEL: 513 271-3700)

-30- 434
#90345c0152 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLS OIL CO OF P O BOX 4484, WICHITA FALLS, TX 76308, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,776 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 392
#90345c0154 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTH AMERICAN PARTNERS LP OF C/O INCO VENTURE CAP MNGMT, ONE NEW YORK PLA NEW YORK, NY 10004, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF THE LIPOSOME CO. (TICKER: LIPO) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(THE LIPOSOME CO. TEL: 609 452-7060)

-30- 457
#90345c0155 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W JAMES WHITTLE OF 21 RHODA AVE, FAIRFIELD, CT 06430, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,451 SHARES OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(DATA SWITCH CORP. TEL: 203 926-1801)

-30- 408
#90345c0156 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JON P NEWTON OF P O BOX 1148, AUSTIN, TX 78767, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF LOMAS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LFC) THROUGH THORNHILL SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(LOMAS FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 214 746-7111)

-30- 412
#90345c0157 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COURTNEY S TAYLOR OF 2407 DOMINGO RD, LAS VEGAS, NV 89121, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF U.S. FILTER CORP. (TICKER: USFF) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(U.S. FILTER CORP. TEL: 714 894-1007)

-30- 416
#90345c0158 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 1, 1990 TO NOV. 14, 1990, AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN FINANCIAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: AFE), BOUGHT 9,200 SHARES FROM $19.05 TO $19.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 222,797.

-30- 386
#90345c0159 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, W.J. PURDY, DIR. OF BURLINGAME BANCORP. SOLD 5,000

SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 297
#90345c0160 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 20, 1990 TO NOV. 30, 1990, R.S. YEAGO JR, CHAIRMAN OF CFW COMMUNICATIONS CO.(TICKER: CFWC) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,264.

-30- 344
#90345c0162 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUNE 1, 1988 TO AUG. 31, 1988, C.A. ADAMS, DIR. OF FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANC SHARES INC. BOUGHT 431 SHARES FROM $12.00 TO $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,306.

-30- 353
#90345c0163 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB. 20, 1989, K.R. DIEPHOLZ, DIR. OF FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANC SHARES INC. BOUGHT 314 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,023.

-30- 326
#90345c0164 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JAN. 26, 1988 TO SEPT. 14, 1989, R.A. LUMPKIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANC SHARES INC. BOUGHT 10,150 SHARES FROM $12.00 TO $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,875.

-30- 380
#90345c0165 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAY 4, 1988 TO JUNE 4, 1990, D.E. MARVIN JR, DIR. OF FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANC SHARES INC. BOUGHT 1,710 SHARES FROM $13.00 TO $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGINGS DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,894.

-30- 360

#90345c0166 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 3, 1987 TO OCT. 30, 1989, D.E. MARVIN JR, DIR. OF FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANC SHARES INC. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES FROM $12.50 TO $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 850.

-30- 361
#90345c0167 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUNE 22, 1987, G.W. MELVIN, DIR. OF FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANC SHARES INC. BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,740.

-30- 322
#90345c0168 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC. 10, 1987 TO SEPT. 26, 1990, G.W. MELVIN, DIR. OF FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANC SHARES INC. BOUGHT 4,150 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,890.

-30- 360
#90345c0170 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUNE 29, 1987 TO AUG. 31, 1988, J.W. SCHILLING, DIR. OF FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANC SHARES INC. BOUGHT 500 SHARES FROM $12.50 TO $12.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,225.

-30- 362
#90345c0171 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 7, 1990, J.W. SCHILLING, DIR. OF FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANC SHARES INC. BOUGHT 275 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,800.

-30- 327
#90345c0172 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT. 6, 1987 TO AUG. 31, 1988, C.E. WHITE, DIR. OF FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANC SHARES INC. BOUGHT 1,150 SHARES FROM $12.00 TO $12.50 PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,950.

-30- 355
#90345c0173 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, V.L. MOW, VP OF PHOENIX VENTURES INC. SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12.

-30- 286
#90345c0174 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 10, 1990, G.M. WILSON, VP OF PHOENIX VENTURES INC. BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90345c0175 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, D.W. HYDE, DIV. OFFICER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,193.

-30- 337
#90345c0176 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 19, 1990, F.C. BROOKS, PRES. OF CNS INC. (TICKER: CNXS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 285
#90345c0178 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, C.A. BROWN, OFFICER OF SNYDER OIL CORP. (TICKER: SNY), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 299
#90345c0179 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 9, 1990, K.A. DRUCKER, VP OF SEQUA CORP. (TICKER: SQA), BOUGHT 400 CLASS A SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 291
#90345c0180 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 15, 1990, E.P. COVER, PRES. OF COMMERCIAL NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,250.

-30- 317
#90345c0181 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JAMES H HALE, DIR. OF AMERIBANC INC. (TICKER: ABNK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 299
#90345c0182 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, DAVID A JONES, DIR. OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES (TICKER: ABT), BOUGHT 245 SHARES AT $40.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,588.

-30- 313
#90345c0183 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, THOMAS J PERKINS, CHAIRMAN OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN), SOLD 50,000 SHARES FROM $24.25 TO $24.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 355,865.

-30- 347
#90345c0184 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, W HAROLD HENDERSON, OFFICER OF ARROW AUTOMOTIVE IND INC. (TICKER: AI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,006.

-30- 336

#90345c0186 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, ERIC L MILES, OFFICER OF AMDAHL CORP. (TICKER: AMH), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,524.

-30- 299
#90345c0187 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, DAVID L SWIFT, PRES. OF ACME-CLEVELAND CORP. (TICKER: AMT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,721.

-30- 314
#90345c0188 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, SOL S WEINER, DIR. OF ANTHONY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ANT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,250.

-30- 311
#90345c0189 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, RODGER B DOWDELL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC), SOLD 100,000 SHARES FROM $13.38 TO $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,268,933.

-30- 427
#90345c0190 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, LOUIS W RAYER, VP OF APPLIED MAGNETICS CORP. (TICKER: APM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,215.

-30- 331
#90345c0191 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, CARL S QUINN, CHAIRMAN OF ARKLA EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER:

ARK), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,000.

-30- 326
#90345c0192 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, ALAN M WARREN, PRES. OF ARKLA EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: ARK), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES FROM $14.75 TO $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 351
#90345c0194 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, GEORGE S SIRUSAS, OFFICER OF BANCORP NEW JERSEY INC. (TICKER: BCNJ), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 880.

-30- 328
#90345c0195 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, KENNETH R BROWN, VP OF BANKS OF MID-AMERICA INC. (TICKER: BOMA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES FROM $7.75 TO $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 906.

-30- 327
#90345c0196 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JESSE AGUIRRE, VP OF ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. (TICKER: BUD), SOLD 3,001 SHARES AT $38.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,039.

-30- 305
#90345c0197 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, WAYMAN F SMITH III, VP OF ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. (TICKER: BUD), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,118.

-30- 313
#90345c0198 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, PAUL J BREITNAUER, VP OF CAPITOL TRANSAMERICA CORP. (TICKER: CATA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,915.

-30- 329
#90345c0199 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, GEORGE A FAIT, PRES. OF CAPITOL TRANSAMERICA CORP. (TICKER: CATA), BOUGHT 4,506 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 526,858.

-30- 329
#90345c0200 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JOHN M NELSON, DIR. OF CAMBRIDGE BIOTECH CORP. (TICKER: CBCX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 320
#90345c0202 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, DANIEL AMSTER, DIR. OF CITIZENS FIRST BANCORP INC. (NJ) (TICKER: CFB), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,403.

-30- 338
#90345c0203 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, BRIAN P JOHNSON, DIR. OF CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CFER), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 328
#90345c0204 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1988, MATTHEW J FLANIGAN, PRES. OF COGNITRONICS CORP. (TICKER: CGN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,918.

-30- 317
#90345c0205 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUN 12, 1989 TO JUL 10, 1990, MATTHEW J FLANIGAN, PRES. OF COGNITRONICS CORP. (TICKER: CGN), SOLD 7,000 SHARES FROM $4.75 TO $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,918.

-30- 351
#90345c0206 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, LOEWS CORP, BEN. OWNER OF CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: CHA), BOUGHT 118,800 SHARES FROM $23.63 TO $23.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,303,600.

-30- 361
#90345c0207 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, NIEK J ROOSDORP, VP OF CHIRON CORP. (TICKER: CHIR), SOLD 241 SHARES AT $39.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 256
#90345c0208 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, ALAN F RUSSELL, VP OF CHIRON CORP. (TICKER: CHIR), SOLD 144 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 143.

-30- 288
#90345c0210 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, JOHN D PHILLIPS, DIR. OF CYBERTEK CORP. (TICKER: CKCP), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,000.

-30- 306
#90345c0211 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, HC INVESTMENTS INC, BEN. OWNER OF THE CLOROX CO. (TICKER: CLX), BOUGHT 122,600 SHARES FROM $32.68 TO $33.99 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,428,100.

-30- 349
#90345c0212 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, MARVIN SELIG, DIV. OFFICER OF COMMERCIAL METALS CO. (TICKER: CMC), SOLD 11,400 SHARES FROM $17.63 TO $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 212,125.

-30- 363
#90345c0213 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, FREDERICK R ADLER, DIR. OF THE COOPER COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: COO), BOUGHT 50,550 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,550.

-30- 327
#90345c0214 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, WERNER E NEUMAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CORCOM INC. (TICKER: CORC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES FROM $1.44 TO $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 941,266.

-30- 380
#90345c0215 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, WAYNE C CASEBOLT, OFFICER OF CORDIS CORP. (TICKER: CORD), SOLD 932 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90345c0216 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 03, 1990, JAN DERUYTERVANSTEVENINK, DIR. OF CORDIS CORP. (TICKER: CORD), SOLD 5,152 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90345c0218 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, TAFT W WRATHALL, VP OF COMSHARE INC. (TICKER: CSRE), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,446.

-30- 302
#90345c0219 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, CHARLES E PARENTE, PRES. OF C-TEC CORP. (TICKER: CTEX), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES FROM $12.13 TO $12.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,898.

-30- 337
#90345c0220 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, ERNEST C TREFZ, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CITYTRUST BANCORP. (TICKER: CYT), SOLD 33,425 SHARES FROM $1.61 TO $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 542,392.

-30- 375
#90345c0221 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1989, MURRAY MOSS, DIR. OF DANDEES ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: DANY), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 153,200.

-30- 313
#90345c0222 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 02, 1990, NATAN V BERTMAN, DIR. OF DEL ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: DEL), BOUGHT 8,664 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,880.

-30- 319
#90345c0223 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, BRIAN K ROBERTS, OFFICER OF DELL COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DELL), SOLD 3,750 SHARES AT $13.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 320
#90345c0224 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, MAX O WEBER, DIR. OF DEXTER CORP. (TICKER: DEX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 287
#90345c0226 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, GEORGE P SCHWARTZ, DIR. OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), SOLD 19,000 SHARES FROM $4.50 TO $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 207,500.

-30- 356
#90345c0227 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, KENNETH D SEATON, CHAIRMAN OF D & N FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: DNFC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,671.

-30- 333
#90345c0228 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, CLAY LANDON T TTEE FLOWERS A, TTEE OF EATON VANCE CORP. (TICKER: EAVN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 337
#90345c0229 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, CLAY LANDON T TTEE LTC CORP, TTEE OF EATON VANCE CORP. (TICKER: EAVN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 320
#90345c0230 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 22, 1990, JOHN F GUSTAFSON, DIR. OF ECHLIN INC. (TICKER: ECH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 303
#90345c0231 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 16, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, ELCOR CORP ESOP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF ELCOR CORP. (TICKER: ELK), BOUGHT 3,900 SHARES FROM $5.38 TO $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 811,493.

-30- 347
#90345c0232 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, KENNETH L LAY, CHAIRMAN OF ENRON CORP. (TICKER: ENE), SOLD 6,296 SHARES AT $62.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 107,714.

-30- 305
#90345c0234 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, DAVID R TACKE, DIR. OF E-SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ESY), SOLD 3,990 SHARES FROM $30.63 TO $30.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,939.

-30- 314
#90345c0235 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, A WILLIAM HUELSMAN, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ELECTRONIC TELE-COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: ETCI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 159,701.

-30- 387
#90345c0236 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, JOANNE B HUELSMAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ELECTRONIC TELE-COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: ETCI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 159,701.

-30- 402
#90345c0237 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOHN C WILLIS, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP.(NC) (TICKER: FBNC), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,987.

-30- 313
#90345c0238 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOHN C WILLIS, DIR. OF FIRST BANCORP.(NC) (TICKER: FBNC), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,883.

-30- 314
#90345c0239 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, C RANDOLPH WARNER JR, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLR), SOLD 15,552 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90345c0240 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, C RANDOLPH WARNER JR, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLR), SOLD 34,448 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,693.

-30- 342
#90345c0242 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, CRAIG W YATES, DIR. OF FMS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FMCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,000.

-30- 312
#90345c0243 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 04, 1990, ROGER GIMBEL, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST NEW YORK BUSINESS BANK CORP. (TICKER: FNYB), BOUGHT 13,500 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,500.

-30- 356
#90345c0244 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JOHN R TORELL III, DIR. OF FORTUNE FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FORF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 335
#90345c0245 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 23, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, JESSE R MARION, VP OF FIRST SEISMIC CORP. (TICKER: FSEI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $5.58 TO $6.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,160.

-30- 339
#90345c0246 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, FREDERICK H FRUITMAN, DIR. OF FIND/SVP INC. (TICKER: FSVP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.22 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,179.

-30- 313
#90345c0247 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, HENRY C FUNK, DIR. OF FIRST FEDERAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: FTFC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,913.

-30- 328
#90345c0248 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, ERIVAN K HAUB, BEN. OWNER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 34,900 SHARES FROM $38.00 TO $41.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,251,600.

-30- 392
#90345c0250 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JOHN J LANNON, VP OF NICOR INC. (TICKER: GAS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $46.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,064.

-30- 288
#90345c0251 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, DONALD J BOHANA, DIR. OF GUARDIAN BANCORP (CA) (TICKER: GB), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90345c0252 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, PAUL M HARRIS, CHAIRMAN OF GUARDIAN BANCORP (CA) (TICKER: GB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,825.

-30- 325
#90345c0253 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, ANN S FERRANTE, DIR. OF GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC. (TICKER: GCCO), SOLD 90,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,395,000.

-30- 354
#90345c0254 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, RICHARD C SOLARI, CHAIRMAN OF GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC. (TICKER: GCCO), SOLD 90,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,395,000.

-30- 367
#90345c0255 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, SOLARI-LANE TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC. (TICKER: GCCO), SOLD 90,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,652,500.

-30- 362
#90345c0256 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, WILLIAM H LESTER, DIR. OF THE GOOD GUYS INC. (TICKER: GGUY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 311
#90345c0258 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, ROBERT J BECKER, DIR. OF HEALTHCARE COMPARE CORP. (TICKER: HCCC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $30.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 103,800.

-30- 325
#90345c0259 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JAMES H DAVIS, PRES. OF HORSEHEAD RESOURCE DEV CO. (TICKER: HHRD), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 330
#90345c0260 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JOEL B ALVORD, DIR. OF HARTFORD STEAM BOILER INSPECT & INSUR CO. (TICKER: HSB), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $47.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 239.

-30- 354
#90345c0261 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, MYRON DUBAIN, DIR. OF FIRST INTERSTATE BANCORP. (TICKER: I), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,892.

-30- 326
#90345c0262 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 10, 1990, ALFRED L FENAUGHTY, PRES. OF INFORMATION INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: IINT), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 84,475.

-30- 342
#90345c0263 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, WIND POINT PARTNERS II LP, BEN. OWNER OF IN-STORE ADVERTISING INC. (TICKER: ISAN), BOUGHT 127,500 SHARES FROM $2.50 TO $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,031,731.

-30- 386
#90345c0264 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, CHARLES F SCHROEDER III, VP OF INTERTRANS CORP. (TICKER: ITRN), SOLD 10,531 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90345c0266 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, JAMES H KEYES, PRES. OF JOHNSON CONTROLS INC. (TICKER: JCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,881.

-30- 319

#90345c0267 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, BRUCE ELBILIA, VP OF PHILIPPE (JEAN) FRAGANCES INC. (TICKER: JEAN), SOLD 8,000 SHARES FROM $3.13 TO $3.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 341
#90345c0268 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, WAYNE C HAMERLING, VP OF PHILIPPE (JEAN) FRAGANCES INC. (TICKER: JEAN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $2.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 338
#90345c0269 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 21, 1989 TO NOV 15, 1990, STEPHEN N FRANKEL, DIR. OF J&J SNACK FOODS CORP. (TICKER: JJSF), BOUGHT 5,100 SHARES FROM $6.30 TO $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 351
#90345c0270 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, WILLIAM D KING, VP OF JWP INC. (TICKER: JWP), BOUGHT 2,750 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 284
#90345c0271 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, FRANK A BAER II, DIR. OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC (TICKER: KEYC), SOLD 9,869 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,094.

-30- 337
#90345c0272 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, DAVID FOX JR, DIR. OF KEY CENTURION BANCSHARES, INC

(TICKER: KEYC), SOLD 19,704 SHARES FROM $10.63 TO $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,374.

-30- 343
#90345c0274 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, ALFRED T ZIRKLE, CHAIRMAN OF KEY TRONIC CORP. (TICKER: KTCC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 316
#90345c0275 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, DANIEL J TERRA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: LAW), SOLD 30,500 SHARES FROM $14.25 TO $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,635,875.

-30- 376
#90345c0276 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 12, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, FRANCIS M HIPP, CHAIRMAN OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC), SOLD 14,800 SHARES FROM $41.00 TO $42.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 354,934.

-30- 342
#90345c0277 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, W HAYNE HIPP, PRES. OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $42.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 177,162.

-30- 304
#90345c0278 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL BK TRUSTEE, BEN. OWNER OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY), SOLD 14,000 SHARES AT $72.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,532,581.

-30- 352
#90345c0279 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, INDUSTRIAL EQUITY (PACIFIC) LTD, BEN. OWNER OF THE LAMSON & SESSIONS CO. (TICKER: LMS), BOUGHT 44,200 SHARES FROM $4.25 TO $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,914,700.

-30- 381
#90345c0280 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, ROBERT W BOGART, VP OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP), SOLD 11,000 SHARES FROM $26.00 TO $29.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,500.

-30- 330
#90345c0282 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, DARRELL D MARTIN, OFFICER OF MARKEL CORP. (TICKER: MAKL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES FROM $11.38 TO $11.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,800.

-30- 338
#90345c0283 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, JAMES J HARRISON JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCCORMICK & CO. (TICKER: MCCR), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,832.

-30- 337
#90345c0284 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, JAMES J HARRISON JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCCORMICK & CO. (TICKER: MCCR), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,831.

-30- 336
#90345c0285 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, CHARLES W RAU, VP OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 312
#90345c0286 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, V ORVILLE WRIGHT, DIR. OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCIC), SOLD 154,367 SHARES FROM $19.50 TO $19.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 164,862.

-30- 343
#90345c0287 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JERRY M BRANAGAN, CHAIRMAN OF MDT CORP (TICKER: MDTC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 171,896.

-30- 304
#90345c0288 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, JERRY M BRANAGAN, CHAIRMAN OF MDT CORP (TICKER: MDTC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,100.

-30- 305
#90345c0290 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, ROBERT A FOX, DIR. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES FROM $5.50 TO $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,897.

-30- 311
#90345c0291 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, ERNEST L RANSOME III, SHAREHOLDER OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 325
#90345c0292 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, GEORGE O MALLON JR, PRES. OF MALLON RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: MLRC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,189,819.

-30- 328
#90345c0293 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, MICHAEL J REVANE, VP OF MARSHALL & ILSLEY CORP. (TICKER: MRIS), SOLD 18,174 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,560.

-30- 321
#90345c0294 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, JACK DEUTSCH, AFFILIATED PERSON OF MARK TWAIN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: MTWN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,577.

-30- 352
#90345c0295 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JACK DEUTSCH, AFFILIATED PERSON OF MARK TWAIN BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: MTWN), BOUGHT 1,907 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,325.

-30- 353
#90345c0296 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 09, 1990, ARNOLD VANZANTEN, OFFICER OF NATIONAL CONVENIENCE STORES INC. (TICKER: NCS), BOUGHT 7,300 SHARES FROM $3.00 TO $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 375
#90345c0298 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, WILLIAM D MATTHEWS, CHAIRMAN OF ONEIDA LTD. (TICKER: OCQ), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,295.

-30- 312
#90345c0299 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, E B WOOD JR, DIR. OF ONE VALLEY BANCORP OF WEST VIRGINIA INC. (TICKER: OVWV), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,263.

-30- 347
#90345c0300 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, VIRGIL G ROSE, AFFILIATED PERSON OF PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PCG), SOLD 471 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90345c0301 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JAMES J BYERLOTZER, VP OF PRIDE PETROLEUM SERVICES INC. (TICKER: PRDE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 325
#90345c0302 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ROBERT S BRIGGS, OFFICER OF PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP. (TICKER: PROT), BOUGHT 160 SHARES AT $12.48 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,801.

-30- 323
#90345c0303 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, WILLIAM J RUSHTON III, CHAIRMAN OF PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP. (TICKER: PROT), BOUGHT 2,154 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 396,297.

-30- 335
#90345c0304 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, WILLIAM J RUSHTON III, CHAIRMAN OF PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP. (TICKER: PROT), SOLD 2,154 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 298,331.

-30- 345
#90345c0306 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, EDWARD W ROSE III, DIR. OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 7,900 SHARES AT $0.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 347,237.

-30- 301
#90345c0307 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, CHRISTOPHER A BROWN, OFFICER OF RICHFOOD HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: RCHF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 324
#90345c0308 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, AG MASON DIRICKSON, OFFICER OF RICHFOOD HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: RCHF), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 327
#90345c0309 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, G GILMER MINOR III, DIR. OF RICHFOOD HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: RCHF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 319

#90345c0310 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, DANIEL R SCHNUR, OFFICER OF RICHFOOD HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: RCHF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 331
#90345c0311 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, KARISSIM CORP, BEN. OWNER OF RESEARCH INDUSTRIES CORP. (TICKER: REIC), SOLD 87,500 SHARES FROM $10.00 TO $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 567,500.

-30- 350
#90345c0312 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, DIAN P TAMZIL, BEN. OWNER OF RESEARCH INDUSTRIES CORP. (TICKER: REIC), SOLD 87,500 SHARES FROM $10.00 TO $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 567,500.

-30- 361
#90345c0314 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, S A SABAN, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $45.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,972,959.

-30- 331
#90345c0315 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, EDMOND J SAFRA, BEN. OWNER OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $45.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,992,810.

-30- 338
#90345c0316 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 23, 1990, JAMES W ROBINSON, DIR. OF ROBINSON NUGENT INC. (TICKER: RNIC), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 527,713.

-30- 342
#90345c0317 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, ROBERT E NAYLOR JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ROHM & HAAS CO. (TICKER: ROH), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,377.

-30- 335
#90345c0318 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JOHN T SUBAK, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ROHM & HAAS CO. (TICKER: ROH), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $31.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,988.

-30- 328
#90345c0319 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, BRUCE D ALEXANDER, VP OF THE ROUSE CO. (TICKER: ROUS), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 209,585.

-30- 317
#90345c0320 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, WILLIAM E MITCHELL, VP OF RAYCHEM CORP. (TICKER: RYC), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $20.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,634.

-30- 296
#90345c0322 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, ALBERT F PETER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: SDRC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 122,410.

-30- 368
#90345c0323 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, LEE N MORTENSON, DIR. OF SUN ELECTRIC CORP. (TICKER: SE), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 307
#90345c0324 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, DONALD L LUKE, PRES. OF SENIOR SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: SENR), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90345c0325 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, DONALD W MITCHELL, DIR. OF SFFED CORP. (TICKER: SFFD), BOUGHT 15,600 SHARES FROM $4.75 TO $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,600.

-30- 319
#90345c0326 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), BOUGHT 381,066 SHARES FROM $3.38 TO $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 501,066.

-30- 349
#90345c0327 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JEFFERY R ATKIN, DIR. OF SKYWEST INC. (TICKER: SKYW), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 198,196.

-30- 301
#90345c0328 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, SIDNEY J ATKIN, DIR. OF SKYWEST INC. (TICKER: SKYW),

BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,530.

-30- 301
#90345c0330 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, GEORGE W BRYAN, VP OF SARA LEE CORP. (TICKER: SLE), BOUGHT 120 SHARES AT $29.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,914.

-30- 295
#90345c0331 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, JOHN S LEWIS, DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 8,000 SHARES FROM $29.13 TO $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,693.

-30- 361
#90345c0332 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, RONALD V SCHMIDT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX), SOLD 28,000 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 630,000.

-30- 365
#90345c0333 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, EMORY O CUNNINGHAM, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 2,303 SHARES FROM $13.23 TO $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,151.

-30- 346
#90345c0334 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, THEODORE E GILDRED, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 324

#90345c0335 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, JAMES R UKROPINA, DIR. OF SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: SPC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 323
#90345c0336 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, MARTIN A TRUST, DIR. OF STAPLES INC. (TICKER: SPLS), SOLD 135,000 SHARES FROM $18.23 TO $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 549,876.

-30- 337
#90345c0338 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOHN C SHOEMAKER, VP OF SUN MICROSYSTEMS INC (TICKER: SUNW), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,500.

-30- 320
#90345c0339 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, GREG D KERLEY, OFFICER OF SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO. (TICKER: SWN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 322
#90345c0340 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, JAMES G LANE JR, CHAIRMAN OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,589.

-30- 310
#90345c0341 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 16, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, JAMES G LANE JR, CHAIRMAN OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,000.

-30- 330
#90345c0342 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, EUGENE M LANG, DIR. OF THREE-FIVE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TFSY), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 229,335.

-30- 323
#90345c0343 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 26, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, ROBERT A MCCABE, DIR. OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), SOLD 6,500 SHARES FROM $14.13 TO $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,000.

-30- 367
#90345c0344 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, PAUL B ROSENBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TECH/OPS LANDAUER INC. (TICKER: TO), SOLD 10,000 SHARES FROM $25.25 TO $25.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,185.

-30- 361
#90345c0346 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, FREDERICK S MORTON, DIR. OF BUILDERS TRANSPORT INC. (TICKER: TRUK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 320
#90345c0347 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JOHN F MCGILLICUDDY, DIR. OF UAL CORP. (TICKER: UAL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $94.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 298
#90345c0348 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, ALFRED E CLEVELAND, DIR. OF UNITED CAROLINA BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: UCAR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,688.

-30- 345
#90345c0349 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 11, 1990, DAVID A SCHEINMAN, DIR. OF UNITED GAMING INC. (TICKER: UGAM), SOLD 15,300 SHARES FROM $1.88 TO $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,131.

-30- 349
#90345c0350 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, DOUGLAS W LEATHERDALE, DIR. OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: UNIH), SOLD 835 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 297
#90345c0351 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, WARBURG PINCUS CAP CO LP, BEN. OWNER OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: UNIH), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,503,111.

-30- 349
#90345c0352 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JAN 21, 1988 TO MAR 15, 1990, PETER A LUSK, BEN. OWNER OF UNITED SERVICE SOURCE INC. (TICKER: UNSI), BOUGHT 75,000 SHARES FROM $0.28 TO $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 585,000.

-30- 361
#90345c0354 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, JOHN C SIEGEL, DIR. OF UNITED TELEVISION INC. (TICKER: UTVI), SOLD 75,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90345c0355 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, STEPHEN T CARLSON, OFFICER OF VICORP RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: VRES), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 271.

-30- 326
#90345c0356 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, FREDERICK P STRATTON JR, DIR. OF WEYCO GROUP INC. (TICKER: WEYS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,300.

-30- 315
#90345c0357 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ROLAND SEIDLER JR, DIR. OF THE WRITER CORP. (TICKER: WRTC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 159,266.

-30- 307
#90345c0358 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JOHN M RICHMAN, DIR. OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $31.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 286
#90345c0359 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, S ARNOLD ZIMMERMAN, DIR. OF ALLEGHANY CORP. (TICKER: Y), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $79.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 488.

-30- 301
#90345c0360 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

LEXICON CORP. OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA OWNS 500,000 SHARES (3.90%) OF ICOT CORP.(TICKER: ICOT) OF SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 17, 1990 and Dec. 3, 1990 Lexicon Corp. sold 315,950 shares at $.19 to $1.63 per share.

-30- 436
#90345c0362 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY R.E. KASLER OWNS 596,842 SHARES (11.10%) OF KASLER CORP. (TICKER: KASL) OF HIGHLAND, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On July 7, 1990 Richard E. and Elaine E. Kasler transferred as co-trustees 596,842 Kasler Corp. shares to the Kasler Living Trust for the benefit of their children.

PURPOSE:

Transfer of shares to the trust.

-30- 550
#90345c0363 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

G. DEISS OF L'AMAURY, FRANCE OWNS 547,000 SHARES (23.70%) OF INDUSTRIAL ELECTRONIC HARDWARE CORP.(TICKER: IEHC) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 16, 1990 G. Deiss purchased 112,000 at $3.20 per share.

-30- 437
#90345c0364 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

G.S. COHEN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT OWNS 6,684,900 SHARES (20.90%) OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP.(TICKER: CUS).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

G.S. Cohen has exercised an option to purchase 125,000 Customedix Corp. common shares in connection with the terms of his employment contract with the Customedix Corp.'s wholly owned subsidiary, Jeneric/Pentron Inc.

-30- 536
#90345c0365 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA OWNS 7,156,030 SHARES (63.60%) OF ACCUGRAPH CORP. (TICKER: ACUA) OF EL PASO, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 6, 1990, RBC instructed the transfer agent for the Accugraph class A shares to register the owned shares in the name of its nominee, Roytor & Co., No. 1 account; and, pursuant to Section 63(4) of the Personal Property Security Act (Ontario), formally gave notice under Ontario law to KTC and KTC's other creditors, stating that after Dec. 31, 1990, RBC may, but it is not required to, realize on the pledged shares.

PURPOSE:

Securities pledge agreement to provide collateral.

-30- 833
#90345c0366 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Dec. 10, 1990, AT&T announced that its request for commitments to fund the NCR Corp.(TICKER: NCR) acquisition was substantially oversubscribed with more than 50 major U.S. and international banks having offered commitments for the $6 billion credit facility AT&T is establishing to finance acquisition of NCR stock at $90 a share. AT&T met with banks on Dec. 6 to discuss the credit facility and begin the syndication process.

-30- 687
#90345c0367 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 25

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 10, 1990, DHB Partners, G.P.C. Ltd., D. W. Holdings Inc. and the Melissa Lynn Cain Trust, the three limited partners of the Partnership, entered into an agreement of dissolution dated as of Dec. 7, 1990 to the limited partnership agreement of the Partnership, as amended. Pursuant to the dissolution agreement, effective as of Dec. 7, 1990, the Partnership was dissolved.

-30- 573
#90345c0369 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY NORTH SUBSIDIARY CORP. OWNS 2,988,368 SHARES (94.60%) OF SAMNA CORP.(TICKER: SMNA) OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 7, 1990, the purchaser accepted for payment 2,988,368 shares tendered pursuant to the offer. The shares were purchased at $18.84 per share, net to the seller in cash, pursuant to the offer, for an aggregate consideration of $56,300,853.12.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares pursuant to a tender offer.

-30- 664
#90345c0371 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY NCO INVESTORS LP. OWNS 512,716 SHARES (36.50%) OF JRM HOLDINGS INC.(TICKER: JRMX) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In connection with the acquisition of common stock, JRM through DJS Industries Inc., has acquired the assets of the LeRoi Princeton Division of Munsingwear Inc. The management of JRM has been changed by mutual agreement between JRM's prior arrangement and NCO and the new officers. Five of the seven directors have resigned and two of the vacancies have been filled by NCO nominees, Terry L. Nagelvoort and David J. Skidmore. The three principal shareholders have agreed to sell their remaining shares to JRM at $2.438 per share in exchange for $768,615 in notes due to JRM from third parties pursuant to an exchange agreement, and cash pursuant to an option agreement, both of which are dated Nov. 28, 1990, and after giving effect to these transactions, the outstanding common stock of JRM will decrease from 1,720,157 to 1,088,482 shares. On Nov. 28, 1990, JRM also granted NCO an eight-year warrant to purchase up to 200,000 additional shares of common stock at $2.438 per share.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 28, 1990, NCO Investors LP., et al. purchased 512,716 shares for total consideration of $1.25 million from the working capital of NCO.

PURPOSE:

To obtain control of JRM to make investments.

-30- 1581
#90345c0372 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

From Sept. 18, 1990 through Nov. 27, 1990, D&S of which Mr. Friend has an 85 percent equity interest purchased 54,000 shares at a price of $.32 to $.40 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 403
#90345c0373 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY HEXAGON PARTNERS LP. OWNS 600,200 SHARES (8.50%) OF HEXCEL CORP. (TICKER: HXL) OF DUBLIN, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a letter dated Dec. 10, 1990 to Hexcel Corp., Hexagon Partners LP has requested Hexcel Corp. to allow the additional purchase of 14.9 per cent of the company.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 3, 1990, Hexagon Partners LP., et al. purchased 5,000 shares at a price of $11.18 per share.

-30- 639
#90345c0374 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

NEW ENGLAND CRITICAL CARE INC. OF WESTBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 1,648,395 SHARES (18.00%) OF CARE PLUS INC.(TICKER: CPLS) OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective as of Dec. 1, 1990, New England Critical Care, Inc. and CP Acquisition Corp. entered into an agreement and plan of reorganization with Care Plus Inc., pursuant to which, CP Sub will merge with and into CPLS in accordance with the Florida Business Corp. Act and CPLS will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of NECC. At the effective time of the merger, each outstanding share of CPLS common stock will be converted into seventy-seven and one-half one hundredths (.775) share of NECC common stock, and obligations of CPLS to issue shares of CPLS pursuant to options, warrants and other agreements will be converted into options, warrants or rights to acquire shares of NECC common stock. Consummation of the merger is subject to approval by the shareholders of NEEC and CPLS, certain governmental approvals, and effectiveness of a registration statement pursuant to which NECC will register the issuance of the shares of NECC common stock to be issued in exchange for shares of CPLS common stock. The agreement may be terminated and the merger abandoned if the merger shall not have been consummated on or before Aug. 31,

1991. As a condition to the agreement, NECC and CPLS entered into a stock option agreement as of Dec. 1, 1990, pursuant to which NECC and CPLS each granted to the other an unconditional, irrevocable option to acquire a specified percentage of each other's common stock.

PURPOSE:

Agreement and plan of reorganization.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY J.L. LOEB OWNS 591,604 SHARES (3.20%) OF ALLIANCE WELL SERVICE INC.(TICKER: AWSI) OF LIBERTY, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 27, 1990, J.L. Loeb, et al. sold 591,604 shares of Alliance Well Service Inc. at a price of $.03 per share.

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#90345c0376 12/11/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 12) COMTEX - Wichita, Kan.-based Air Midwest Inc., (TICKER: AMWI) a regional air carrier, has agreed to sell the assets of its Trans World Express operations out of St. Louis, to Trans States Airlines Inc. the city's other Trans World Express operator, for $16 million.

The assets include 23 aircraft, spare parts, certain maintenance and ground station equipment, airport facilities, and hangar leases in 19 cities, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Following the sale, Air Midwest will terminate the agreement with Trans World Airlines that has allowed it to operate as a feeder for TWA since 1986.

Air Midwest currently serves 36 cities and will cease service to 21 of those cities following the sale.

Air Midwest will continue to operate its Kansas City-based system and will become associated with USAir Inc. beginning Jan. 15, 1991.

The company's remaining fleet will consist of 16 aircraft.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on

Dec. 11, 1990.

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#90345c0377 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 12) COMTEX - Shareholders of U.S. Shelter Corp., (TICKER: USSS) the financially troubled Greenville, S.C., real estate and financial holding company that owns Malibu Savings Bank, will vote at a special meeting Dec. 31 on the proposed acquisition of the company by MetSouth Financial Corp. a company controlled by New York real estate investment banker Andrew L. Farkas.

Under the proposed deal, the new company will be 75-percent owned by a limited partnership controlled by Farkas, 10 percent owned by a subsidiary of Group Brussells Lambert, the Belgium investment bank which is a partial owner of Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., and 5 percent by present shareholders of U.S. Shelter.

The company's current management will run the new company.

U.S. Shelter, which owns and manages residential and commercial property, also provides mortgage banking services.

The company recorded $68.5 million in losses since 1985 and is struggling to stave off bankruptcy, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Malibu Savings, which is not in compliance with any of the new capital standards set under the recently enacted federal bank bailout bill, has been notified by state and federal regulators that it is operating in an ''unsafe and unsound'' manner.

Under the proposed acquisition, MetSouth will assume $18 million in liabilities and infuse $5 million into the company.

MetSouth has reached preliminary agreements to have $29 million of U.S. Shelter's $54 million in debt either forgiven or restructured.

MetSouth has been granted proxies from shareholders representing 32 percent of the company to aprove the deal.

U.S. Shelter leases offices in Newport Beach, Calif., Jacksonville, Orlando and Clearwater, Fla., Atlanta and Augusta, Ga., Paducah, Ky., Lanham, Md., Kansas City, Mo., Charlotte, Durham, Greensboro, and Raleigh, N.C., Cincinnati Columbus, and St. Clairsville, Ohio, Columbia and Charleston, S.C., Chatanooga, Tenn. and Arlington and Houston, Texas.

Its mortgage banking operation leases offices in Orlando and Tampa, Fla., Atlanta, Charlotte, N.C., Nashville, Tenn. and Richmond, Va.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 11, 1990.

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#90345d2930 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 11) - Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu on Tuesday said that the Japanese government would study providing emergency food aid to the Soviet Union.

Mr. Kaifu madey the remark at a Budget Committee meeting of the Diet (parliament), saying that the Japanese government would closely watch the situation in the Soviet Union.

"From a humanitarian viewpoint, Japan would study the issue (of a possible food aid to the Soviets) after collecting further information," he said.

Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama, meanwhile, told Japanese reporters at a press conference that despite a successful harvest, there were reports of food shortages in the Soviet Union due to hoarding and distribution problems.

"The Soviet Union is a large nation, so they should not say they don't have money (to buy food)," he said.

But Mr. Nakayama added that Japan would observe the situation in the Soviet Union and discuss the issue at working-level talks before the planned visit to Japan next April by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

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#90345d2940 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WELLINGTON (DEC. 11) - The Soviet Union has agreed to repay a 115 million dollar (69 million U.S. dollar) debt to New Zealand for wool and dairy produce the New Zealand Press Association said Tuesday.

The agency quoted a statement from Trade Negotiation Minister Philip Burdon released in Moscow Tuesday following two days of negotiations on trade.

The agreement would clear the way for trading to resume between the two countries, the statement said. Contracts for the repayment of the debt would be signed by the end of the week.

The money would then be repaid by instalments over the next few months.

The New Zealand Dairy Board spokesman Neville Martin said it was a major comfort for the industry to know the debt would be repaid and the way cleared for further trade.

"The prospect of the Russians not being able to repay was one of the worst case scenarios the industry was facing and now that can be cast aside," he said in an interview.

Mr. Martin said the Soviets were in the market for a "very substantial quantity of butter."

New Zealand Wool Board spokesman John MacGibbon was sceptical about the Soviet agreement to repay the debt.

"They have made promises in the past which have fallen through. However, this appears to be a promising new development and we look forward to it."

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#90345d3050 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL (DEC. 11) - French Secretary of State for Defense Gerard Renon said here Tuesday that he was more than surprised that South Korea had decided to buy a U.S.-made anti-submarine patrol aircraft over its French rival after a year-long bidding battle.

"We are more than surprised and we do not understand" the decision, Mr. Renon commented before concluding a two-day visit to Seoul during which he met with South Korean Defense Minister Lee Jong-Koo.

Mr. Lee announced Monday that President Roh Tae-Woo approved his ministry's decision to buy eight P3Cs from the U.S. Lockheed firm, worth 841 million dollars.

He said the U.S. aircraft was chosen over France's Dassault-Breguet Atlantique 2 as the price was 32 million dollars cheaper and the U.S. aircraft was better suited for joint operations with U.S. forces.

The South Korean Defense Ministry initially picked the French-made aircraft over the P3C in an international bidding a year ago after the U.S. firm failed to satisfy aircraft maintenance conditions.

However, U.S. defense officials lobbied hard, offering the latest model of P3C instead of the older type that the United States originally tried to supply.

The bidding battle caused Seoul to delay its purchase of the aircraft and lose several million dollars because of the subsequent devaluation of South Korea's won currency against the U.S. dollar, local press reports said.

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#90345d3060 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (DEC. 11) - A tourist boom in South Africa this year will have seen one million visitors to the country by the end of the year, according to South African Tourist Board figures quoted by state-run radio Tuesday.

There was a 13 per cent increase in the number of tourists from January to September over the same period in 1989, which itself had been a record year,

the Board said, adding that it was touting for business in places outside the usual market, notably Japan, Indonesia, Singapore, Sweden, Poland and Romania.

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#90345d3070 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 11) - Environmentalists have persuaded South Africa's Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok to suspend aerial spraying of cannabis plantations, Earthlife Africa spokesman Chris Albertyn said late Monday.

Mr. Albertyn said that in a one hour meeting at the airport in this east coast port city Monday, environmentalists and officials from the South African Rivers Association "brought home the socio-economic implications of the spraying programme."

They had advised police they could face claims from neighbouring farmers whose crops could be wiped out by drifting chemicals, Mr. Albertyn said, suggesting that farmers growing cannabis could be persuaded to plant culinary and medicinal herbs instead.

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#90345d3110 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 11) - Saudi Arabia has told Japanese trading houses and oil companies that it would suspend shipments of kerosene and gas oil from December for an unspecified period, industry sources said Tuesday.

The sources suspected a fire at Saudi Arabia's Ras Tanura Refinery and a breakdown at the Jubail refinery had forced the country to stop the exports, which account for 30-40 per cent of Japan's total imports of kerosene and gas oil.

The fire on November 30 has drastically cut production at the world's largest oil refinery from 530,000 barrels a day to 300,000. The refinery is expected to suspend operations completely later this month,.

Japan depends on imports for 20-25 per cent of its consumption of kerosene and gas oil.

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#90345d3330 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 11) - Japan's Hitachi Ltd. and Toshiba Corp. on Tuesday announced breakthoughs in cutting the size of memory cells used in computer chips, paving the way for a new generation of more powerful semiconductors.

Hitachi, the country's biggest electric machinery maker, said it had developed the world's smallest cell for static random access memory (SRAM) chips measuring 5.9 square microns, or six thousandths of a square millimetre.

The new cell is a third of the size of those used in eight-megabit SRAM's and will enable the development of 16-megabit SRAM's, the company said.

SRAM chips can retain information longer and have a faster access time than the more widely-used dynamic random access memory (DRAM) chips.

Toshiba, which ranks second in production of electric machinery in Japan, meanwhile said it had developed a new cell for DRAM chips with an area of 1.53 microns, or about one-and-a-half thousandths of a square millimetre.

The area of the new cell, which incorporates the so-called trench structure, is less than 60 per cent of those used in four-megabit DRAM chips and "easily surpasses" that necessary to develop 64-megabit DRAM's, it said.

The announcements Tuesday coincided with an international meeting on electronic devices in San Francisco and followed disclosures Monday of related developments by Toshiba and Japan's biggest computer maker Fujitsu Ltd.

Toshiba said it had developed a new one-megabit SRAM chip with the world's fastest access time of 15 billionths of a second. The chip can also process 16 bits of information at the same time compared with existing one-megabit SRAM's which can process only one, four or eight bits of information simultaneously.

Fujitsu Ltd. meanwhile announced that it had developed a process to make 64-megabit DRAM chips by using a lithographic technique which had until now been confined to the production of 16-megabit DRAM's.

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#90345d3410 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KAMPALA (DEC. 11) - Uganda's police chief was suspended and several senior police officers arrested after police shot dead two students at a rally on campus here, Ugandan state radio announced Tuesday.

President Yoweri Museveni has set up a committee to investigate Monday's shootings. The government described the killings as "criminal" and "fascist" and promised to punish those responsible in a statement read over the radio.

Two second-year students at Kampala's Makerere University, both young men, died when police opened fire on students meeting to discuss a week-old boycott of classes in protest at a shortage of textbooks and poor living conditions.

The killings raised a storm of protests from prominent Ugandans. Law Society president Edward Sempebwa condemned "police brutality" in breaking up a peaceful student rally and called for the prosecution of those responsible in a protest note to the interior ministry.

Mr. Museveni suspended police chief David Tsomgen and his deputy Kenneth Ojoro after a cabinet meeting Monday evening condemned the killings. He named Apollo Byekwaso acting police chief, and Zedekiah Etyang second-in-command.

The head of the Kampala police, Richard Nabudere, and an unknown number of top police officers have been arrested in connection with the killings, informed sources said.

The government statement ordered students to stay at home for two days as a sign of mourning, but warned that anyone failing to attend classes subsequently would be expelled from the university.

It said a supreme court judge would be appointed to head the investigating committee.

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#90345d3440 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 11) - Half a million Soviet citizens will have emigrated by the end of this year, Komsomolskaya Pravda reported Tuesday quoting KGB sources.

About half of these are understood to have left for Israel, according to observers here.

The youth daily, quoting specialists, also said another two to three million people intended to leave the country.

These would include a great many Jews and ethnic Germans who are given the automatic right to resettle in Israel and Germany respectively.

The United States was taking in some 50,000 to 60,000 people a year, U.S. Ambassador Jack Matlock told the paper.

The number of Soviets leaving the country on temporary exit visas was also up.

The U.S. Embassy here would deliver 120,000 tourist visas this year, "more per day than during the whole of 1981," Mr. Matlock said.

In Geneva, Nikolai Smirnov, a deputy head of the Soviet Foreign Ministry's

international humanitarian cooperation and human rights department said Moscow expected about half a million to emigrate each year after new legislation authoritizing free travel is adopted next year.

In 1989, 236,000 people emigrated, Mr. Smirnov also told the International Organization for Migration earlier this month.

A new liberal emigration law might be voted early next year, but would not come into effect before July at the earliest because of bureaucratic and transportation problems, according to Fyodor Burlatsky, head of a parliamentary committee drafting the legislation.

Soviet Labour Minister Vladimir Shcherbakov warned last month that up to three million Soviets might emigrate, at least temporarily to European Economic Community states, when they gain the right to travel freely.

Alexander Kolesnikov, a member of the Sociological Research centre attached to the party's central committee, told Interfax news agency recently that up to 16 per cent of the country's 286 million population might be considered potential emigrants.

Of these, 65 per cent were men and the vast majority were under 30, with a better than average education and little faith in the country's economic prospects.

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#90345d3460 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (DEC. 11) - Activists of Bangladesh's main opposition parties were poised Tuesday to return to the streets for three days as professional organisations joined calls for the arrest of ousted president Hussain Mohammad Ershad.

Processions and street-corner meetings were to take place here Tuesday and Wednesday and throughout the country Thursday, the alliance coordinating committee said late Monday.

The seven-party alliance headed by Begum Khaleda Zia's Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP), Sheikh Hasina Wajed's eight-party grouping under the banner of the Awami League and the five-party leftist grouping with a rotating leadership were all set to take part in the rallies.

Exultant victory demonstrations since the fall last week of Mr. Ershad, who seized power in a bloodless coup eight years ago, have begun to turn angry amid growing demands for his arrest and trial.

Activists also want the new government to appropriate the former president's assets and seize bank accounts here and abroad of Mr. Ershad, his wife and

"cronies."

The new demonstrations are aimed at "foiling conspiracies" against the democracy movement and consolidating its success so far, organisers say.

Late Monday, the Supreme Court Bar Association and several smaller political parties added their voices to the growing clamour as a group of activists of the BNP firebombed the house of Moudud Ahmed, vice president under Mr. Ershad.

There were no casualties in Monday's firebombing in the posh Gulshan district of Dhaka, seen as an attempt to emphasise demands that Mr. Ershad's associates also be brought to trial.

Student and youth groups Monday called on the military to oust Mr. Ershad from Dhaka's military cantonment area, where a senior army official said the deposed president has been living under "protective custody" in his house since announcing his resignation last Tuesday.

The youths were angered by Mr. Ershad's statement in an interview that he would try to make a political comeback and run again for the presidency if the situation permitted.

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#90345d3630 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HYDERABAD, India (DEC. 11) - Indian army troops launched a house-to-house hunt in the old quarters of Hyderabad Tuesday as Hindu-Moslem violence in the southern city entered a fifth day after claiming more than 120 lives.

Ten army columns, or 1,000 men, backed by police and paramilitary troops systematically combed houses in the narrow lanes and byways of the curfew-bound walled city looking for suspects and weapons, witnesses said.

About two dozen armoured personnel carriers were touring the Moslem-majority area in a show of strength to deter rioters who have targeted Hindus for attacks with butchers' knives, swords, spears and acid bulbs.

In the relatively calm new city, two men were waylaid and fatally knifed before dawn Tuesday in suspected retaliation by Hindus, senior police sources said.

The new fatalities took the death toll to 123 in five days of unprecedented Hindu-Moslem violence in the city of four million people, capital of Andhra Pradesh state, the sources said.

Thirteen were knifed to death Monday and eight women badly burned by acid-throwers.

Scores have been wounded in the violence, linked to a raging Hindu-Moslem dispute over a 16th-century mosque in the northern town of Ayodhya, in Uttar Pradesh state.

The bloodshed, the worst witnessed by this 400-year-old city in half a century erupted a day after Hindu fundamentalists resumed a crusade in Ayodhya to demolish the mosque and replace it with a temple.

Sectarian violence has also swept the Uttar Pradesh towns of Aligarh and Kanpur, both of which were curfew-bound Tuesday. Sixty-eight people have died in Aligarh.

In Kanpur, where five people were killed in a sudden burst of communal violence Monday, security forces were searching houses after arresting 25 suspects, the Press Trust of India said. The town was calm Tuesday.

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#90345d3670 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Colombo (DEC. 11) - Five soldiers were killed and four wounded when suspected Tamil rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (Ltte) ambushed an army vehicle in the Trincomalee district of the Eastern province Tuesday morning, military officials said.

One soldier was reported missing following the incident which took place at Morawewa, 60 kilometres southwest of Trincomalee town, officials said.

The rebels, fighting in the northwest of the country for an independent homeland for minority Tamils, seized communications equipment and weapons.

The soldiers, attached to the Morawewa camp, engaged the rebels in a gun battle before being killed and ''several'' rebels were reported to have been injured in the attack, military officials in Colombo said.

Reinforcements were rushed to the scene of the incident from nearby camps Tuesday afternoon, officials said.

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#90345d3710 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (DEC. 11) - Poland will drop visa requirements as of January 1 for all German nationals who travel to Poland for less than three months, according to a new foreign ministry ruling reported by the press Tuesday.

The Polish government "has taken into account the favorable development of relations with Germany and the announcement by Germany of its intention to remove the visa obligation for Polish nationals at the end of the year", the ministry statement said.

The foreign ministry "is acting on the conviction" that the German government will carry out its intention to end visas.

Dropping visa requirements has been one of Poland's key demands in its negotiations with the west.

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#90345d3720 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) - The United States has offered to sell China an additional 1.5 million tonnes of wheat at a subsidized price, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced Monday.

China bought nearly 300,000 tonnes of U.S. wheat on October 18, at a subsidized price of 41.38 dollars a tonne. Beijing can still purchase 10,005 tonnes of wheat under the preceding purchase quota allotted by the United States.

The United States sold 6.35 million tonnes of wheat to China at subsidized prices in 1989-1990.

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#90345d3930 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Doha (DEC. 11) - Saudi Arabian Defence Minister Prince Sultan bin Abdel Aziz met here Tuesday with Qatar's ruler, Sheikh Khalifa bin Hamad al-Thani, to discuss the Gulf crisis, reports said.

Prince Sultan had arrived here earlier in the day at the start of a six-day tour of Saudi Arabia's partners in the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (Gcc). The other members are Kuwait, Bahrain, Oman and the United Arab Emirates (Uae).

The Qatar News Agency said the Saudi defence minister reviewed with Sheikh Khalifa ''all aspects of the Gulf crisis resulting from the treacherous Iraqi aggression against Kuwait''.

The two men also discussed joint moves by Gcc states concerning the Gulf crisis, as well as ways of boosting Saudi-Qatari relations in all fields, it added.

Gcc leaders, who are scheduled to hold a summit meeting in Doha on December 22 are expected to discuss, among other things, a new defence strategy to cope with the consequences of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

The Gcc was set up in 1981 after the start of the Iraq-Iran war in a bid to coordinate economic and defence policies of the six oil-rich states.

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#90345d3950 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
UTRECHT, Netherlands (DEC. 11) - Dutch pacifists opposed to the transport through the Netherlands of U.S. military hardware for the Gulf, blocked rail traffic for two hours Tuesday using a hoax bomb.

The fake bomb which was "remarkably well made", according to police, was planted on a railway bridge near the central town of Utrecht on the line from Germany to Rotterdam.

Bomb experts worked for two hours before realising the device was harmless.

Most of the U.S. military equipment used in the Gulf troop deployment has been taken from American bases in southern Germany. It is moved by train through the Netherlands for shipment from Rotterdam.

The Netherlands has set aside 150 trains for the operation.

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#90345d3960 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 11) - The Arianespace rocket company is heading for a net profit of 130 million francs (6.5 million dollars) on sales of 3.9 billion francs (780 million dollars) in 1990, company president Charles Bigot said on Tuesday.

The company, which markets the Ariane rocket, was created 10 years ago and has paid dividends since 1984.

The company has orders to launch 36 satellites worth 16.2 billion francs (3.24 billion dollars) and representing work for four years, he told a conference to mark the 10th anniversary.

Since being founded, Ariansepace had signed 89 launch contracts with 90 per cent of world satellite operators, and held more than half of the world market for space transport, ahead of three U.S. competitors General Dynamics, Martin Marietta and Mcdonnell Douglas, and ahead of Chinese and Soviet companies.

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#90345d3980 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SOFIA (DEC. 11) - The cost of living in Bulgaria at the end of November was 36.4 per cent higher than at the end of May, official figures showed on Tuesday.

During November prices rose by 4.9 per cent.

During the first 11 months of the year overall output fell by 10.4 per cent compared with the same period a year earlier. Industrial output fell by 12.5 per cent.

Forecasts by the statistical bureau, which published the figures, said that 1990 output would be 10 per cent below the 1989 level and that industrial output would fall by between 12 per cent and 13 per cent.

The bureau said that 93.8 per cent of the fall in output occurred in the industrial sector because of power cuts and strikes.

Compared with November 1989 consumers had increased difficulty in acquiring sugar, rice, meat, fish, oil, clothing, shoes, women's stockings and fuel. The prices of fruit and vegetables had doubled compared with November 1989.

Meanwhile the Bulgarian state issued bonds worth 217 million leva (70 million dollars at the official rate) carrying guaranteed interest of 44 per cent, the finance ministry said.

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#90345d4020 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 11) - France will take charge of the distribution of its humanitarian aid to the Soviet Union, a senior French government official said here Tuesday.

The French government plans to donate medecine and baby food that could be distributed in hospitals and homes for the aged, said Bernard Kouchner, secretary for humanitarian aid.

Mr. Kouchner was to meet with the deputy chairman of the Soviet committee for relief distribution later Tuesday.

Aid will be precisely targeted in the cities of Moscow, Kiev, Leningrad and Yerevan, Mr. Kouchner said, adding that France had also offered assistance to the Soviet "Association of Victims of Repression" which groups former political prisoners and people forced into psychiatric hospitals.

He stressed that France would not divert any aid originally destined to needy regions in Africa to east European countries.

"West European nations must help the Soviet people in their own land because the West cannot give a new home to millions of people tempted by emigration", Mr. Kouchner said.

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#90345d4030 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 11) - The British Ferranti International electronics group on Tuesday reported a pre-tax loss of 20.4 million pounds (about 40 million dollars) in the first half compared with a loss of 15.4 million pounds for the same period of last year.

Sales fell by 40 per cent to 251.2 million pounds from 419.2 million pounds.

Analaysts had forecast losses of between five million and 20 million pounds.

Ferranti, which last year had to launch a major restructuring operation following a massive alleged takeover fraud, said that it would not pay a dividend.

Ferranti shares were unchanged at 13 pence.

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#90345d4080 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (DEC. 11) - About 300 Liberians arrived in Monrovia on Monday from Freetown aboard a Nigerian naval ship, Liberian radio reported Tuesday.

In a broadcast monitored here, the radio said most of the returnees were concerned about finding relatives and their homes abandoned during Liberia's brutal year-long civil war.

The Liberians left the Sierra Leone capital on Sunday. The radio said more Liberians were due to return home soon.

Meanwhile, officials of the Special Emergency Life Food program were investigating reports suggesting that food distributors in Monrovia had stolen more than 200 bags of rice.

Liberian radio quoted informed sources Tuesday saying that there had been many reports of rice theft in the capital which had until recently been cut off from the outside world after rebels seeking to overthrow the late president Samuel Doe arrived there in July.

"Impersonation, fraud and dishonesty are also rampant in the distribution process," the sources were quoting as saying.

Liberia's interim president Amos Sawyer expressed what the radio called "serious concern over the development as well as the slow process of food distribution."

Mr. Sawyer also announced that Monrovia central prison is to be renovated and that the West African country's magistrates' courts will be reopened soon.

The interim leader has also met with a visiting delegation from the

Geneva-based International Committee of the Red Cross, the radio said.

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#90345d4150 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MADRID (DEC. 11) - A spanish pig that discovered its master's marijuana hoard tripped out and died, reports here said Tuesday.

Residents of the northwestern village of Villagarcia de Carril said the pig found the hidden hashish and ate too much. News of pig's fate led to a police raid on the village in Galicia and seven arrests. Most drugs in Spain are smuggled in on rugged coast nearby.

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#90345d4170 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRAZZAVlLLE (DEC. 11) - Congo's leader in 1977-79, General Joachim Yhombi-Opango, has formed a political party, the Movement for democracy and Development, with the aim of promoting private initiative and a mixed economy, reliable sources said here Tuesday.

He was freed in August after three years in jail without trial, having previously spent several years under house arrest in his native village of Owando because of alleged involvement in a plot against the government.

He was ousted early in 1979 by current president Gen. Denis Sassou-Nguesso, who has bowed to mounting political and trade union pressure and agreed to return Congo to multi-party politics after more than a quarter century of one-party rule.

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#90345d4480 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Madrid (DEC. 11) - Sixteen seamen were missing feared drowned after a collision Tuesday between a Moroccan trawler and a South Korean freighter in the Atlantic Ocean off the northwest coast of Spain, officials said.

The accident happened during stormy weather near Cape Finisterre. The trawler Bnou i Shark, with a Moroccan-Korean crew, broke in two and the front half of the vessel containing the cabins sank.

Rescuers looking for survivors found no signs of life. The search was being happened by force eight gales and seven-metre high waves.

The freighter Hanjin bound for Le Havre from Singapore suffered only slight damage in the collision.

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#90345d4540 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 11) - France sent six more fighter aircraft - four Jaguar bombers and two Mirage 2000 fighters - to Saudi Arabia last month, military sources announed here Tuesday.

Before last month's arrivals 24 French aircraft - eight Mirage 2000, eight Jaguar and eight Mirage F1 CR reconnaissance aircraft - were stationed on Saudi military airbases.

The 29 fighter aircraft - seven Mirage F1 CR, 12 Jaguars, and 10 Mirages 2000 - are now stationed at the Houfouf airbase in eastern Saudi Arabia, according to the military sources. One Mirage F1 CR crashed last Friday.

President Francois Mitterrand announced last September that France would send some 30 aircraft to the Gulf as part of multi-national forces stationed in the region since Iraqi troops overran Kuwait on August 2.

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#90345d4560 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Munich (DEC. 11) - Deutsche Aerospace (Dasa), the aviation and aerospace division of the Daimler-Benz concern, will likely show a loss in 1990 caused by the low value of the dollar, company officials said here Tuesday.

Dasa chief financial officer Manfred Bischoff said the company turnover volume which for the first time would include the Messerschmitt-Boelkow-Blohm (Mbb) figures, was expected to reach 12.6 billion marks (8.55 billion dollars), up from 7.8 billion in 1989.

Last year Dasa as a group produced a deficit of 185 million marks, although the parent stock company was in surplus by 45.8 million marks.

But this year, with the dollar hurting the results of the Airbus programme, in which Mbb is involved through its subsidiary Deutsche Airbus, Dasa can expect losses both for the group and for the parent company, Bischoff said. He did not give an estimate for the losses.

''The productivity success at Airbus cannot even out the effects of the dollar's rate,'' Bischoff said.

Through Mbb, Dasa has Airbus orders worth 21 billion marks. The value of the orders will have to be revised downward to reflect the lower dollar rate.

Dasa chairman Juergen Schrempp said that the revision would ''theoretically render Deutsche Airbus bankrupt''. He said new financial support models were being discussed with Bonn to help cover the losses.

Schrempp also said he welcomed the policy of disarmament despite the effects it was having on Dasa, which last year gained nearly half its turnover volume from defence contracts. He said a ''concept for a soft landing'' had to be worked out by the government and industry as the conversion is made towards civilian-sector production.

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#90345d4580 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 11) - A growing rift within the Japanese government over the suspension of last week's GATT talks in Brussels widened Tuesday with Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu siding with the Agriculture Ministry over farm policy.

"I want you to reaffirm that Japan will stick to its basic policy," Mr. Kaifu was quoted as telling a cabinet meeting, referring to the country's virtual ban on rice imports and its policy of self sufficiency in staple foods.

The prime minister then proposed that the government and the ruling Liberal Democratic Party hold joint talks on the issue in preparation for a resumed GATT meeting in Geneva next month.

Mr. Kaifu's remarks coincided with a reported clash between Agriculture Minister Tomio Yamamoto, who supports the policy, and International Trade and Industry Minister Kabun Muto who hinted earlier that it should be relaxed.

The trade minister told a news conference Monday that agriculture was Japan's "Achilles' heel" at the Brussels meeting and prevented the country from playing an active role in the talks.

"Now that the agriculture minister knows more about the world, he may be able to think of something new," he said.

Japan and South Korea were partly blamed for the suspension of the Brussels meeting which was supposed to have brought to an end the four-year Uruguay Round of talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

Both nations were reluctant to accept part of a Swedish compromise which would have required all countries to provide minimum market access of five per cent for all agricultural products whose imports are restricted.

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#90345d4590 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (DEC. 12) - The Turkish national grand assembly (parliament) began on Tuesday to debate a 37 billion dollar budget for 1991 based on projected inflation of 45 per cent.

The inflation rate in 1990 is expected to be between 65 per cent and 70 per

cent.

The budget forecast growth of 5.9 per cent and a record deficit of 20 per cent or 20,650 billion Turkish pounds (7.3 billion dollars) of the total of 104,780 billion pounds (37 billion dollars).

Of the total, 34.4 per cent was earmarked for salaries, while military expenditure was held steady at 12 per cent of the budget at 13,000 billion pounds in 1991 despite the Gulf crisis. Turkey has a common frontier with Iraq.

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#90345d4610 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Hong Kong (DEC. 11) - Stung by charges that the Hong Kong government is to saddle the colony with unbearable debts as a result of its ambitious new infrastructure projects, the government Tuesday announced a downward revision of the costs for the new airport.

The government said the airport will only cost 79 billion Hongkong dollars (10 billion U.S. dollars), and suggested that the ports project should be financed entirely by the private sector.

The figure was well below that cited last year by Hong Kong governor Sir David Wilson when he unveiled a 127 billion Hongkong dollar plan to build a new airport and container ports.

However the government's efforts to play down the extent of the spending were quickly rebuffed by Lu Ping, the senior Chinese official responsible for Hong Kong affairs.

He said the revised estimate was merely playing with words and he accused the government of undermining the stability of the local currency by having to draw on its fiscal reserves, including the foreign exchange reserve, to meet the costs.

He stated that the exchange fund contained 30 billion Hongkong dollars (3.8 billion us dollars), a previously undisclosed figure. It is unclear here whether the figure came from official sources.

Hong Kong Treasury Secretary Hamish Macleod refused to comment on Lu's remarks.

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#90345d4780 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 11) - Nigeria's military government last Friday took in Libyans evacuated from Chad by the United States as a "humanitarian gesture", Foreign Minister Ike Nwachukwu said here Tuesday.

Mr. Nwachukwu said the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRS) had asked Nigeria to take in the Libyan prisoners-of-war (POWs), adding that the organization described them as "refugees".

The Libyans were still "in transit", and being accommodated at a location outside Lagos, the minister added before leaving Nigeria for Equatorial Guinea with President Ibrahim Babangida.

They would be flown to another country once their credentials had been checked Mr. Nwachukwu, a retired major-general, said. He did not name the country.

"The ICRS told us they were refugees, and under internationally recognised practice, it is our obligation to accept them. It is purely a humanitarian service rendered by Nigeria," he said.

The Libyans, captured during one of Chad's civil wars, were "turned" and trained in Chad by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) to carry out guerrilla operations against Colonel Moamer Kadhafi's regime.

The U.S. Air Force evacuated more than 600 of them on Friday and Saturday, following the arrival in power in Ndjamena of Libyan-backed Chadian former rebel leader Idriss Deby.

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#90345d4810 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (DEC. 11) - Cambodian guerrilla leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk said Tuesday that a joint interim authority that would guide Cambodia through its peace process should have no head.

"There should be no more talk about the chairmanship and the vice chairmanship of the SNC (Supreme National Council)," he said in a statement in French circulated by his faction's office here. "Let us be satisfied with an SNC without a chairman or a vice-chairman.

"The SNC exists. It has 12 members. Let them work among themselves with an equal say, which is without chairmanship or vice-chairmanship," Prince Sihanouk said.

Various parties to the resolution of the conflict have called for him to head the body formed earlier this year with representatives of Cambodia's warring factions.

Prince Sihanouk, who is leader both of an anti-Phnom Penh guerrilla coalition and of one of the SNC's components, insisted that the warring factions accept the United Nations peace plan on Cambodia.

Phnom Penh's Vietnam-installed government has opposed key elements of the

peace blueprint put together by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, saying it would not accept being dismantled.

And Hanoi has warned that it would not sign a peace settlement contravening the U.N. charter. It charges that parts of the plan, which gives sweeping executive powers to the world organization to administer Cambodia during a period before elections, do not adhere to the charter.

The guerrilla alliance fighting Phnom Penh's government comprises the powerful Beijing-backed Khmer Rouge and two smaller non-communist factions loyal to the prince and ex-prime minister Son Sann.

The Khmer Rouge and its partners have demanded that the 68-year-old former Cambodian monarch be appointed chairman of the SNC even though he is not a member of the body, which was formed in early September.

Phnom Penh has accepted on condition that it is given an extra seat on the SNC and that Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen be appointed vice-chairman.

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#90345d5050 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 11) - Three more Kenyan dissidents were charged with treason in court here Tuesday, bringing to seven the number of opposition figures who are to stand trial for treason.

All seven, who face the death sentence if convicted, appeared under heavy police guard in the Chief Magistrate's Court, where assistant deputy public prosecutor Alex Etyang for the first time detailed the accusations against them.

They were found in possession of arms and ammunition and had organised guerrilla training for the underground Kenya Patriotic Front, whose declared aim was "the overthrow, by unlawful means, of the government of Kenya," Mr. Etyang said.

The arrest in October of the front's leader, Koigi wa Wamwere, led Kenya to sever diplomatic ties with Norway, where Mr. Wamwere had been in exile.

Mr. Wamwere was charged with treason on October 19 with anti-government lawyers Rumba Kinuthia and Mirugi Kariuki, and Geoffrey Kuga Kariuki, although the grounds for the charge were never specified.

On Tuesday treason charges were also brought against another three dissidents - Rumba Kinuthia's brother Joseph Mwaura Kinuthia, James Hosea Gitau Mwara and Harun Thungu Wakaba.

Mr. Etyang said the defendants had acquired 10 AK 47 assault rifles, 1,000

rounds of ammunition and 10 grenades to be used to topple the government.

Mr. Wamwere was also accused of entering Kenya illegally from Uganda and being in possession of false identity papers.

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#90345d5090 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (DEC. 11) - The PLO wants the U.N. Security Council to vote on a draft resolution on the Israeli occupied territories that mentions the convocation of an international Middle East Peace conference, despite the threat of a U.S. veto, a senior Palestinian leader said here Tuesday.

A U.S. veto would "reveal to people in the Middle East and the whole world the duplicity of American policy," said Nayef Hawatmeh, head of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, one of the PLO's main components.

It would also demonstrate to Washington's Security Council partners that while they supported the U.S. in its push for Gulf-related resolutions, the U.S. was not ready to make a single gesture to join them in a settlement of the Middle East conflict, he said.

He called on the other four permanent members of the council -- Britain, France, China and the Soviet Union -- to pressure the U.S. administration into voting for the resolution mentioning an international Mideast peace conference.

Britain, in a bid to avoid a U.S. veto, has proposed withdrawing the draft resolution to avoid a formal vote and downgrade it to a communique that would be issued by the Security Council's presidency -- currently held by Yemen, according to Mr. Hawatmeh.

The Security Council met Monday night but postponed its debate on the resolution until Wednesday at Washington's request and with Moscow's approval.

"A simple communique from the Security Council's presidency has no political value and does not entail any commitment on the part of the council," Mr. Hawatmeh said. He said he hoped the world body would submit the proposed resolution to a vote.

The draft resolution deals with the protection of Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories and includes a paragraph stating that a Middle East conference "would facilitate the achievement of a comprehensive settlement and lasting peace in the Middle East."

It sets no deadline, however, saying only that a conference should take place "at the appropriate time."

The United States wants to weaken the paragraph to avoid any linkage, as

demaded by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, of the Palestinian question with the Gulf crisis.

A segment calling for the deployment of an international observer force in the occupied territories was eliminated at Washington's request, Mr. Hawatmeh said.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said late Monday he was certain U.S. officials would not shift to Iraq's position of linking the August 2 invasion of Kuwait to Israel's occupied territories.

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#90345d5330 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 11) - Britain and Argentina, in a further repair of bilateral ties, signed an agreement here Tuesday aimed at promoting and protecting investment in the two countries.

The accord, which will come into force "on completion of constitutional formalities" according to an official statement, was signed at a brief ceremony by British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd and his Argentine counterpart, Domingo Cavallo.

The accord "is a welcome new development in our bilateral relations" and "strengthens the framework for expansion of trade and economic contacts", according to a statement released by the Foreign Office.

British officials said the accord would provide a legal basis to help encourage bilateral investment and was a sign of London's support of British firms wishing to do business in Argentina.

By August of this year Britain had exported good worth 19.3 million pounds (40 million dollars) to Argentina, a 43-per cent increase on exports for all of 1989 and had imported goods from Argentina worth 98.4 million pounds (200 million dollars).

The two countries restored diplomatic relations last year after they were broken in 1982 when Britain and Argentina fought a short war in the south Atlantic over the Falkland Islands, or Malvinas as they are known in Spanish.

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#90345d5340 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KIGALI (DEC. 11) - President Juvenal Habyarimana has named Denis Ntirugirimbabazi the new governor of the central Banque Nationale du Rwanda, and appointed other new senior civil servants, officials said here Tuesday.

Mr. Ntirugirimbabazi, a former finance minister, replaces Augustin Ruzindana.

Two new deputy governors were appointed: Gerard Niyitegeka, a former director of operations at the central bank, and Pierre Rwakayigamba, formerly head of the civil service in the president's office. They replace Joseph Habimana and Gaetan Rwabukumba.

Major-General Habyarimana also replaced Christophe Mfizi, who had headed the Rwandan Information Office (the equivalent of the ministry of information) since 1976. The new appointee is Ferdinand Nahimana.

No reasons for the changes were given.

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#90345d5380 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

THE HAGUE (DEC. 11) - The Dutch Government has allocated 10.5 million guilder (six million dollars) in emergency aid for Eastern Europe, the Foreign Ministry announced Tuesday.

The aid will go to five projects in Romania, Bulgaria and Hungary, spokesman Dig Istha said.

The Netherlands will contribute two million guilder to a U.N. programme in Romania, and 775,000 guilder will go to a U.N. project for looking after refugees in Hungary.

A further 3.75 million guilder will be used to buy animal feed in Bulgaria.

The remainder will go to two projects run by the Red Cross and by the humanitarian organisation Terre des Hommes.

The money is part of a budget of 87 million guilder (about 50 million dollars) for eastern Europe which the Netherlands included in its 1990 budget.

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#90345d5430 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Moscow (DEC. 11) - The Soviet parliament approved legislation Tuesday to revamp the banking system in a further step in the country's transition to a market economy.

The law establishes the Soviet banking system on two levels, with the Soviet state bank on one and all credit institutes, to be called ''commercial banks'', on the other.

The state bank, along with those of the individual republics, serve as a central bank and controlling authority over the commercial banks.

In addition, the state bank will be an ''independent organ'' which will be

answerable solely to parliament, the agency Tass reported.

The legislation follows two bills approved by the parliament here Monday on establishing independent trade unions and on investments, also facets in the country's economic transition.

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#90345d5540 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 11) - Unemployment is set to climb steeply in 1991 as industry fails to control wage inflation, economic analysts in the City of London said Thursday.

One of London's major brokers is forecasting that unemployment will rise from 1.7 million currently to 2.25 million by the end of 1991.

In the view of City analysts it will take these levels of unemployment to curb British pay increases and allow inflation to converge on the European average as required by Britain's membership of the European Monetary System's Exchange Rate Mechanism (ERM).

The pattern of British pay increases has proved resilient in staying close to the rate of inflation. Average earnings rose by an average of 10.25 per cent in the year to October in spite of repeated warnings from government that industry would not be bailed out by the devaluation of the pound if it failed to control its costs.

But the government's message appears to be having little impact. Peugeot Talbot, the car manufacturer, announced Monday an agreement with unions which will give workers a guaranteed 11.5 per cent increase this year plus a 3.5 per cent profit-related bonus. British inflation is currently running at 10.9 per cent, with most analysts agreeing that it has peaked, and will start to decline.

Wage settlements, particularly in manufacturing, are traditionally influenced by the agreement at Ford. This benchmark settlement for 1990 was in fact decided in 1989 with a two-year settlement which guaranteed Ford workers the inflation rate plus 2.5 per cent, resulting in a headline grabbing 13.4 per cent.

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#90345d5720 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

New York (DEC. 11) - Cancer causes one in four deaths in industrialised countries compared to one in five in 1968, a scientific study shows.

The increase can not only be explained by improved methods of diagnosis or higher life expectation.

Twenty-six scientists from 13 countries took part in the study by the New York Academy of Sciences. Their 345-page report says 30 to 40 per cent of all cancer cases are attributable to smoking.

Yet even without this factor, cancer deaths among males has grown by nine per cent since 1950. The rate among women is slightly lower.

The study concludes that environmental influences including occupational hazards may have contributed to the increase.

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#90345d5770 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (DEC. 11) - Finnish telecommunications group, Nokia Mobile Phones, has won a 22 million U.S. dollar order for portable cellular phones from Thailand's Shinawatra Computer Coompany, Nokia announced here Thursday.

It is the second order this year from the Thai firm for the Nokia NMT-900 model.

The company said it now has a 50 per cent share of the celluar phone market in Thailand and a 20 per cent market share in Malaysia and Hong Kong.

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#90345d5850 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (DEC. 11) - A one-to-three million dollar reward for the killing of British author Salman Rushdie still stands, the Iranian charitable organization that made the offer nearly two years ago said here Tuesday.

The 15 Khorshad (June 5) Foundation renewed a pledge to pay some three million dollars to any Iranian who took the life of Mr. Rushdie in accordance with a death decree issued February 14, 1989 by the late Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

A non-Iranian who killed Mr. Rushdie would receive one million dollars.

Ayatollah Khomeini called for the death of the Moslem-born author on charges that his novel "The Satanic Verses" had blasphemed Islam.

The foundation said in a press statement that the validity of the ayatollah's fatwa, or religious decree, was confirmed last February by the present Iranian spiritual guide, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

The statement followed recent public appearances by Mr. Rushdie in Britain, where he is living in hiding under police protection. His brief appearances angered hardline Islamic militants here.

The 15 Khorshad foundation, which assists poor Iranians, was founded a decade ago by religious figures close to Ayatollah Khomeini.

Its name recalls a pro-Khomeini demonstration in 1963 that was brutally suppressed by security forces loyal to the former shah of Iran.

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#90345d5960 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 11) - The 12 regional electricity companies created by the British Government's privatisation of the national electricity network made their debuts on the London Stock Exchange Tuesday at prices averaging 54 per cent above their offer price.

Manweb, the new electricity company for the Manchester region was the most popular, with shares quoted at 177 pence compared with the 100 pence issue price of a restricted number of shares.

The privatisaton of the electricity network at 5.2 billion pounds (10.2 billion dollars) was the most successful in the Conservative government's series of selling off state-owned industries.

The offer was oversubscribed 10 times and Tuesday's first day of dealing showed that demand remained strong, noticeably from institutional investors who were only allowed to take up one-third of shares in the initial offer.

London Electricity showed the lowest profit in early dealings at 42.5 per cent over issue price.

Opposition Labour leader Neil Kinnock said the privatisation had cost the country three billion pounds in lost revenue, in view of the premiums being paid for shares.

But Prime Minister John Major described the entire operation as a huge success.

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#90345d6090 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ZURICH (DEC. 11) - One of Switzerland's leading banks, Leu, has been swindled out of 50 million dollars by the head of the credit department of one of its branches, the bank's managing director, Roland Rasi, said here Tuesday.

The banker, now behind bars, had used bank credits and loans to buy luxury cars and apartments in Switzerland and abroad, and to deal on the black market in antiques in Zurich, Mr. Rasi said.

The fraud was discovered at the end of October during an internal audit.

Clients would not be affected by the fraud, said board chairman Robert Jeker. But he admitted it would have an impact on the bank's results for 1990, which he described as "modest."

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#90345d6160 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AARHUS, Denmark (DEC. 11) - Danish dairy products group M.D. Foods has taken control of the Leeds-based British firm Association Fresh Foods (AFF) for 43 million pounds (84 million dollars), it was announced here Thursday.

AFF employs about 1,800 people and had a turnover in 1989-90 of 164 million pounds (320 million dollars).

M.D. Foods made the purchase through its holding company M.D. Foods International.

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#90345d6350 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LILLEHAMMER, Norway (DEC. 11) - Nagano in Japan may already be the favourite of the six candiates to host the 1998 Winter Olympics, but the race is heating up.

Firmly in the running are Salt Lake City and Ostersund in Sweden, leaving behind less forceful bids from Aosta of Italy, Jaca in Spain and the Soviet resort Sodhi.

At the International Olympic Committee Executive Board meeting here, ferocious lobbying is going on and Nagano's early lead in the betting could have been eroded by some polished performances from other two contenders.

Having presented a professional case at the last Board, significantly for their own hopes in Tokyo, Nagano know they have a fight on their hands if they are to bring the Games to Japan for the first time since Sapporo in 1972.

The Japanese have used the campaign slogan "Beautiful Nagano -- We Bring the World Together" and emphasised the environmental friendliness of their bid and the easy access and compact nature of their sites. They also claiming "we will also contribute to the establishment of world peace."

But the Americans and Swedes have stepped up their respective challenges.

Tom Welch, who heads a slick bid from Salt Lake City complete with a video presentation calling the Rocky Mountains site 'the greatest snows on Earth',

points to the environment and especially to economics as the key factors that might turn the bid their way.

"Ours is a very environmentally friendly site and the people of Salt Lake City have already voted in a tax to pay for all installations even before the venue has been chosen," he says.

"That just shows the commitment of the community to bring the Winter Games here after we failed in 1966 and in 1974 when Denver pulled out."

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#90345d6370 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 11) - Three month zinc firmed in after hours kerb trading on the London Metal Exchange(LME), Tuesday.

A fall in LME stocks of 1,525 tonnes to 54,250 tonnes brought support to the metal which has recently been under pressure from concerns about the impact of a recession on industrial demand.

On the kerb three month metal was quoted at 1,290 dollars per tonne, up from 1,281 dollars on the afternoon ring, and 1,275 dollars at the close Monday.

Three month Aluminium prices staged a modest recovery on the kerb, having fallen earlier in the day. It was quoted at 1,549 dollars per tonne on the kerb, against 1,541 dollars on the afternoon ring and 1,563 dollars at the close Monday.

LME stocks of aluminium were unchanged at 308,625 tonnes.

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#90345d6430 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (DEC. 11) - The financial viability of the Zimbabwean insurance industry is threatened by the upsurge in deaths related to AIDS, a survey conducted here has revealed.

According to the survey conducted by the local news agency, Ziana, claims arising out of AIDS-releated deaths were sharply increasing to "a point of deterioration of the insurance industry".

Insurance companies interviewed by Ziana said in future, they would insist on tests for the AIDS-causing HIV virus before granting any policy.

Faced with one of the worst epidemics in Africa, Zimbabwe is radically revising its approach to the incurable disease.

In the past the spread of the killer virus through the population was hidden behind a veil of official secrecy, which discouraged even the recording of an AIDS diagnosis on death certificates.

But recently Health Minister Timothy Stamps said doctors would be required by law to supply the names and addresses of living AIDS patients to local authorities.

Dr. Stamps says that around half a million people out of a population of some ten million are believed to be infected by the human immuno-deficiency virus (HIV).

Others put the figure much higher. A document prepared for the Confederation of Zimbabwe Industry (CZI) in July estimated that between 10 and 20 per cent of Zimbabwe's population was already infected with HIV.

The CZI report added that 90 per cent of the' country's work force could be dying of the disease 10 years from now.

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LONDON (DEC. 11) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,275.00 (1,279.50) 1,286.50 (1,285.50)
Lead 325.25 (327.50) 335.25 (336.50)
Zinc Sh 1,309.00 (1,302.50) 1,280.50 (1,273.00)
Tin 5,760.00 (5,775.00) 5,822.50 (5,852.50)
Aluminium 1,503.00 (1,527.00) 1,540.50 (1,562.50)
Nickel 8,175.00 (8,250.00) 8,062.50 (8,097.50)

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#90345d6450 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 11) - A consortium of Western banks will finance Cameroon's offshore oil production industry to the tune of 100 million dollars, consortium leader Credit Lyonnais of France announced here Tuesday.

The work is to be carried out by the Pecten Cameroon Company, in which Shell holds 80 percent of the shares, the remaining 20 percent being held by SNH, the national hydrocarbons company of Cameroon.

The loan announced Tuesday will enable Pecten to develop offshore oil fields in the Rio del Rey and Mokono-Abana areas. It will be repayable from the profits made from oil production.

The finance consortium includes nine banks in France, Germany, Switzerland, Britain and the United States.

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#90345d6520 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DENVER, Colorado (DEC. 11) - A federal judge has set October 7,1991 as the date for a trial of a 200 million dollar civil suit against U.S. President George Bush's son Neil and other directors of the failed Silverado Banking Savings and Loan.

The suit was brought by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC), which accuses Mr. Bush and the 12 other directors of "grossly negligent" management of the thrift.

Silverado collapsed in 1988, forcing a government bailout that could cost U.S. taxpayers as much as 1 billion dollars.

Court documents made public Monday showed that U.S. District Judge Sherman Finesilver scheduled the trial for October 7,1991.

Neil Bush, who is fighting separate charges of conflict of interest stemming from his Silverado service 1985 to 1988, is seeking dismissal of the FDIC suit on grounds that all transactions he voted on were approved by federal regulators.

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#90345d6590 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 11) - British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd suggested here Tuesday that sanctions may fail to dislodge Iraq from Kuwait and that the military buildup in the Gulf now provided the best hope for a peaceful resolution of the crisis.

"It must be questionable whether sanctions, even if applied over a long period will undermine the resolve of Saddam Hussein to keep his grip," Mr. Hurd said.

"With each day that passes the likelihood we will be able to restore Kuwait to its former position decreases," Mr. Hurd said in the House of Commons. "This accumulation of allied forces provides the strongest single hope for a peaceful outcome."

Mr. Hurd, speaking during Britain's first full-scale parliamentary debate on the Gulf crisis, said the tension could still be defused without bloodshed.

But he added: "The doctrine of peace at any price leads not to safety but danger."

His remarks marked a subtle departure from previous official statements from London which emphasised sanctions and Iraqi compliance with U.N. Security

Council resolutions as the likeliest hopes for a peaceful solution.

Echoing U.S. President George Bush, Mr. Hurd said it was still "worth going that extra mile" for peace and said Britain fully supported the U.S. initiative to receive Iraqi Foreign Minister Tarik Aziz and to send Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad.

But he told MP's: "This country faces a risk of war. In that situation every MP is entitled to know on behalf of his or her constituency why that war is justified."

Mr. Hurd, speaking shortly after France announced it was sending an additional 4,000 troops to the Gulf, also rejected claims that the coalition of armies ranged against Iraq was disintegrating.

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#90345d6630 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 11) - A new English-language economic and financial service run jointly by Agence France-Presse and Extel Financial will be launched on February 1 next year, AFP director-general Claude Moisy said here Tuesday.

AFP-Extel News Ltd., based in the city of London, will produce the computerised service, to be named AFX, for the business and financial community. It will employ about 40 journalists based throughout Europe and in the United States and Japan.

Mr. Moisy, who spoke at a lunch-debate organised by the French Chamber of Commerce in Britain, said that setting up AFX was an important part of AFP's diversification programme.

Mr. Moisy earlier visited the new headquarters of AFP-Extel News Ltd.

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#90345d6710 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (DEC. 11) - Lebanese customs officials on Sunday seized automatic weapons and ammunition bound for Soviet Armenia, informed sources disclosed here Tuesday.

They said 20 automatic weapons and supplies of ammunition were hidden in three cars that had been loaded aboard a cargo vessel in the northern Lebanese port of Tripoli and destined for residents of Armenia.

Customs officials refused to provide any further details on the seizure, including the registration of the ship.

Several hundred thousand Armenians live in Lebanon.

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#90345d6730 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK, United Nations (DEC. 11) - U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar asked the Security Council in a report made public Tuesday to renew the mandate of the U.N. peacekeeping force in Cyprus for six more months.

In extending the mandate of the United Nations Forces in Cyprus (UNFICYP), which expires December 15, Mr. Perez de Cuellar said he was convinced "that the continued presence of the force on the island remains indispensable to achieving the objectives set by the Security Council."

Those objectives were established by the Council in 1964 in Security Council Resolution 184, which says the mission of the U.N. force is "to use its best efforts to prevent a recurrence of fighting and as necessary to contribute to the maintenance and restoration of law and order and a return to normal conditions."

Since then -- with some changes following a 1974 cease-fire -- the U.N. forces have been deployed along a 180-kilometer-long (110-miles) line separating the Greek and Turkish communities.

The force is composed of 2,123 soldiers and costs about 28 million dollars a year to maintain. Contributions by member states have lagged behind the costs, however, and the UNFICYP has run a 172 million dollar deficit since December 1980.

U.N.-mediated talks between the factions in Cyprus have been stalemated since February.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 11) - A Soviet-U.S. summit meeting will be held early next year even if delayed because of developments in the Gulf or slow progress in working out a treaty on strategic arms cuts, an official spokesman said here Tuesday.

The next meeting between U.S. President George Bush and his Soviet counterpart Mikhail Gorbachev has been scheduled for January in Moscow but government officials in Washington said recently they would not rule out a delay if a Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START) could not be ready for initialling in time.

The Soviet-U.S. treaty is to cut the number of strategic weapons held by the two countries by half.

Vitali Ignatenko, spokesman for Mr. Gorbachev, said a postponement would not imply that "insuperable obstacles" existed on the road to a START agreement.

"We must decide together when a summit will be most profitable", he added.

A decision on the exact date will be made after Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze returns to Moscow from a current visit to the United States, Mr. Ignatenko said.

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PARIS (DEC. 11) - A preliminary draft of a Cambodian peace plan drawn up by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security council gives the United Nations full powers to implement the terms of the accord, according to a copy of the confidential document obtained here Tuesday.

The agreement recognizes the Supreme National Council (SNC), which includes representatives of each of Cambodia's four warring factions, as the "unique legitimate body and source of authority" in Cambodia during a transitional period.

However, under the terms of the proposed accord, the SNC "delegates to the United Nations all powers necessary to insure the implementation" of the agreement.

Cambodia and Vietnam have recently emphasized that they opposed any dismantling of the Vietnamese-backed Cambodian government, and Vietnam has said that it will not sign any agreement which fails to respect Cambodian sovereignty.

The 48-page agreement was drawn up by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council -- the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain, France and China -- along with Indonesia on November 26.

France and Indonesia, which co-chair the Paris International Conference on Cambodia (PICC), have invited the SNC to meet here on December 19 to present it with the proposed agreement and to discuss how the SNC should function, French Foreign Ministry Spokesman Daniel Bernard said on Tuesday.

Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas said in Jakarta earlier Tuesday that the meeting would lead to the reconvening of the PICC, which was suspended in August 1989 after the four factions failed to agree on a power-sharing arrangement.

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ATHENS (DEC. 11) - Romanian Foreign Minister Adrian Nastase appealed on Tuesday to the countries of the European Community (EC) to provide emergency food aid to his country.

At the end of a three-day official visit to Athens, Mr. Nastase told a press conference that Romania "needs as much food aid as possible, and particularly fruits, because the country is facing a very difficult period as it begins the winter.

"We need food, medicine, animal-feed, and milk for children," he said.

Mr. Nastase indicated that Greece had promised to send some food before Christmas, mostly citrus fruits such oranges and lemons, and juices.

He welcomed Greece's assistance and the Greek government's expression of its "solidarity" with the revolt which overthrow the late dictator Nicolae Ceausescu last December.

During his visit, Mr. Nastase met with Greek Foreign Minister Antonis Samaras and Prime Minister Constantin Mitsotakis.

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DHAKA (DEC. 11) - Mahmudul Hasan, Bangladesh's home minister under ousted president Hussain Mohammad Ershad, has been placed under house arrest, police said Tuesday.

No official announcement was made but a police official said an extra police contingent was posted at Mr. Hasan's residence in the exclusive Dhaka suburb of Gulshan and entry to and that exit from the house had been prohibited.

The official at Gulshan Police station, who asked not to be identified, said the former minister and his family were in the house but he could give no reason for the police action, saying only that they acted on orders from higher authorities.

Mr. Hasan, a retired major general, could not be reached by telephone. The arrest, the first of a former Ershad minister since his fall a week ago, came as demonstrators returned angrily to the streets of the capital to press the interim government of President Shahabuddin Ahmed to arrest and try Mr. Ershad and his associates.

It also came one day after the Gulshan residence of Mr. Ershad's vice president, Moudud Ahmed, was firebombed by opposition activists.

Police raided the Dhaka homes of some 10 top figures including former ministers and ruling Jatiya Party leaders but found none of them in, the

private United News of Bangladesh agency said Tuesday.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 11) - The Soviet communist party's central committee concluded here Tuesday a two-day plenary session devoted to the new union treaty proposed by President Mikhail Gorbachev, the official news agency Tass reported.

A majority of delegates in the central committee expressed the view that concluding the new union treaty was ''the paramount task'' of Soviet communists, Tass said. The treaty is designed to prevent the union of 15 Soviet republics from falling apart.

Earlier on Tuesday Boris Yeltsin, parliamentary president of the Russian republic and Gorbachev's opponent, had reiterated his warnings against a hasty signing of the new treaty.

The plenary session adopted a resolution on ''the concept of a union treaty and the tasks of the party structure'', Tass said.

Some 30 speakers took the floor before the vote was taken and none opposed the conclusion of a union treaty, Tass said. Several speakers expressed the view that ''the voice of separatists should not be misinterpreted as the voice of the people''.

In the same vein, the leader of the Moldavian communists had suggested that a referendum should be held to decide whether a republic wants to remain part of the union. Moldavia is a region with a strong movement for autonomy. More

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AMMAN (DEC. 11) - Algerian President Chadli Benjedid began talks with King Hussein Tuesday ahead of a visit to Baghdad and Riyadh aimed at bringing Iraq and Saudi Arabia closer to a negotiated settlement of the Gulf crisis, official sources said.

The sources said Benjedid, who arrived earlier in the day, ''was expected to exchange views with King Hussein on ways to start an Arab-Arab dialogue to find a solution to the crisis.''

Diplomatic sources said the Algerian president, who leaves for Baghdad Wednesday for talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and then heads for Riyadh for talks with Saudi King Fahd, would be trying to convince both leaders to meet to settle the crisis.

Benjedid's visit comes two days after King Hussein made an impassioned appeal for Arab-Arab dialogue to resolve the dispute in the Gulf away from foreign intervention.

''It is high time for countries who had not joined the war camp to come out and do something for the sake of peace,'' a Jordanian official said.

Diplomatic sources said the Algerian initiative was aimed at ''filling a political void created by the absence of dialogue between the Arab antagonists in the Gulf.''

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MURUROA, French Polynesia (DEC. 11) - The French Navy on Tuesday halted a dinghy from the Greenpeace ship Rainbow Warrior II which crossed into territorial waters around France's nuclear testing site on Mururoa atoll and took the craft's five occupants ashore.

French sailors aboard a speedboat stopped the dinghy nine nautical miles from the atoll and transferred its five occupants -- clad in white jackets covered with slogans demanding an end to nuclear testing here -- to their boat.

Those arrested -- Greenpeace France president Alain Conan, U.S. scientist Norman Buske, activist Gaston Bernadino, Dutchman Martin Gotje, a New Zealand resident, and Tania Popp, a New Zealander -- were brought ashore at 8:30 a.m. (1730 GMT), watched by an AFP correspondent.

Mr. Conan said their detention had been carried out "very correctly."

The dinghy was being returned to the Rainbow Warrior II, sitting outside the territorial limits, officials said.

French ships shadowing the Greenpeace flagship had repeatedly broadcast warnings that anyone trying to land at Mururoa or crossing the 12 mile (20 kilometer) territorial limit faced arrest and possible imprisonment.

A Greenpeace dinghy which crossed the limit Monday was intercepted by French Navy and Foreign Legion commandos. Its occupants -- Mr. Conan, Mr. Buske and three Greenpeace activists -- were interrogated by police and then returned to the Rainbow Warrior II along with their dinghy.

"We were intercepted yesterday, and I announced clearly then that we would return," said Mr. Conan Tuesday. "Here we are ... "

He added that "We have our convictions, and we'll take them to the end."

The five Greenpeace members were then taken to the atoll's police station.

Rear Admiral Francois Querat, commander of France's armed forces in French Polynesia, warned on Monday that if the incident were repeated he might take "much more severe measures" against the Greenpeace ship.

French authorities have thus far avoided taking action against the ship itself.

The Greenpeace activists, who said earlier that they had found traces of radioactivity in water outside the territorial limits, have announced their intention to take samples from territorial waters and from the Mururoa lagoon in particular in order to test them for radioactivity.

France has conducted some 120 nuclear tests at Mururoa since it began underground testing in 1975, with devices ranging from 30 kilotons to around 100 kilotons.

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TEL AVIV (DEC. 11) - Israel Tuesday denied that it had taken part in secret contacts with Syria on a territorial settlement between the two countries.

''We have sent no secret messages to Syria,'' Defence Minister Moshe Arens said after reveiwing troop exercises on the Golan Heights, captured from Syria in the 1967 Middle East war.

''Our presence here on the Golan is permanent,'' he said in response to a question by an Israeli television interviewer. dpa ms 112048 Dez 90

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BERLIN (DEC. 11) - A senior associate of Chancellor Helmut Kohl warned Tuesday that Germany would not back plans for European monetary union unless France scrapped its nationalistic security policy.

The warning was sounded by Alfred Dregger, chairman of the parliamentary group of Mr. Kohl's Christian Democratic Union (CDU).

It came only four days before the European Community (EC) launches conferences in Rome on monetary union and political union that will include debate on a joint security policy.

Mr. Dregger threw his weight behind British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd, who suggested Monday that the nine-nation Western European Union (WEU) be developed as a "European pillar" of the transAtlantic alliance.

It was a "positive" response to hopes for a European approach, Mr. Dregger

said. "The just-completed breakthrough in the tunnel between the Continent and Britain is yielding its first fruit."

But, he said in a communique, "the key to the success of this policy lies with France."

"France must end the ambivalence of its (national) security policy and identify with Europe," he said. "Then the way will be open for monetary union."

He asked: "How could Germany give up its sovereignty over the D-mark, the anchor of monetary stability in Europe, without seeing its security needs met through a European Security Union, which inevitably requires France?"

France has a hybrid status in the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO). It quit its integrated military command in 1966, in order to lead an independent defence policy and control over its nuclear weapons.

Mr. Dregger recalled last Friday's joint declaration by Mr. Kohl and Mr. Mitterrand, who said they would press the Rome conference to develop an "authentic policy of common security" by EC members that could eventually be transformed into "a common defence."

The two leaders suggested that there be a "clear organic relationship" between the EC policy and the WEU.

But Mr. Dregger, like Mr. Hurd, put the emphasis on the WEU, saying that by leaving it in charge of security matters, it would "help the European Community to open up to the new democracies in east and central Europe."

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RIO DE JANEIRO (DEC. 11) - A rancher and his son go on trial Wednesday in a murder case symbolizing the battle between Brazil's poor farm workers and wealthy land owners as well as the fight to protect the Amazon.

The trial in the December 1988 killing of ecologist and union leader Chico Mendes is being called unprecedented in this sprawling nation where land disputes in remote areas are often settled by the gun.

Swarms of journalists and "seringueiros" - the rubber tappers which Mendes organized to fight for their livelihood - are expected to converge on Xapuri, a town of 5,000 people in northwestern Acre state, for the trial.

A virtual unknown in his own country until his death, Mendes had been hailed by international environmental groups and the United Nations for his defense of the rubber tappers and Indians who lived off the land, against developers who want to clear it for grazing, timber, or real estate speculation.

Rancher Darly Alves da Silva, 56, is charged with ordering the murder of Mendes while the landowner's 23-year-old son, Darcy, is charged with pulling the trigger.

A family with a long history of reputed violence, the Alves da Silvas reportedly zeroed in on Mendes after the rubber tappers prevented them from clearing a parcel of land to expand a farm. The Mendes-led union used the peaceful technique it became famous for - it surrounded the land with unarmed guild members, including women and children, and refused to budge.

Hounded by death threats, Mendes fled from his modest wooden home in Xapuri and went into hiding, but not before warning the press and law enforcement officials, including the federal police, that his life was in danger.

On a rainy afternoon three days before Christmas, Mendes, who was 44 when he died, snuck back into town to visit his wife and two daughters, knowing that the Alves da Silvas were waiting for their chance to strike.

His widow recalls that while she prepared dinner, peering out the window every now and then, the short and stocky Mendes got up to take a shower in the outhouse in their yard. He was shot in the chest when he opened the door to go outside.

The younger Alves da Silva, hoping to save his father, surrendered four days after the crime and confessed, although he later recanted. Worn out and hungry after living in a jungle hideout, the father surrendered several days after his son. A third suspect remains at large.

The case has now become high-profile for the Brazilians also. President Fernando Collor de Mello, a self-proclaimed environmentalist, is sending the chief of the federal police, Romeu Tuma, to represent him at the trial.

Land disputes such as this one are not uncommon in the Amazon; but convictions in cases such as the Mendes killing are.

Roman Catholic Bishop Moacir Grechi, of the Acre state capital Rio Branco, said more than 1,500 peasants have been murdered during the past 26 years over land disputes. "In more than 70 percent of these crimes there has not even been a trial," the bishop said, quoting a church report.

In Xapuri, six union leaders had been murdered before Menes, with none of the cases going to trial. But prosecutors in the upcoming trial appear confident. "All the evidence has been gathered to convict the two defendants," one of the prosecutors, Marcio Bastos, said. "Impunity for crimes committed for the sake of possessing land is over."

The defense, meanwhile, rather than challenge the arguments of the prosecution

has decided to attack Mendes' reputation. Defense lawyer Joao Lucena Leal, a former federal policeman, said he plans to try to persuade the 21-member jury that Mendes was "no saint..not at all."

The defendants have asked for permission to cover their faces with hoods during the proceedings in Xapuri's tiny courtroom. "I want to preserve the image of my clients, which has already been severely exploited in an effort to disparage them," said another defense attorney, Rubens Lopes Torres.

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LONDON (DEC. 11) - South Africa will only be considered free from apartheid when all its segregation laws have been repealed, the Commonwealth Secretary-General, Chief Emeka Anyaoku, told MPs at Westminster here Tuesday.

The pressure on the South African government should be kept up until "fundamental change had been irreversibly secured", the chief told the Foreign Affairs Select Committee.

Sanctions should be lifted only when majority rule was firmly in place and it was clear there could be no going back to the old laws, the secretary-general added.

The former Nigerian foreign minister said the Commonwealth's overriding priority was to help advance the cause of negotiations and to contribute to the emergence of multi-racial democracy in South Africa.

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VIENNA (DEC. 11) - The Albanian Communist Party on Tuesday decided to authorize the formation of independent political parties, the official ATA news agency said in a despatch monitored here.

The creation of "independent political organizations under law currently in force promotes democratization and pluralism in Albania", according to a statement issued here after a communist party central committee session in Tirana.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) - A total of 509 American citizens want to remain in Iraq or Kuwait for family reasons, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said Tuesday.

He said they either viewed the countries as their home or had relatives there

not entitled to exit visas because they are not U.S. citizens. For many, the decision was not easy, he added.

Boucher said 310 Americans - 215 children, 60 women and 35 men with dual citizenship - planned to remain in Iraq, and another 199 men with dual citizenship, 79 children and 40 women - had opted to stay in Kuwait.

The U.S. had done all it could to explain the situation and help them make their choice, he said.

The State Department expects that all Americans wishing to leave will have done so after the last special flight departs on Thursday. The Voice of America has broadcast repeated announcements, and flight information has also been passed on in other ways.

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RIYADH (DEC. 11) - Saudi Arabia implicitly rejected Tuesday a new peace mission which Algerian President Chadli Benjedid was reported to have launched in an attempt to promote a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

An official source quoted by the Saudi news agency Spa reiterated the Saudi government's stance that the key to a solution to the Gulf crisis was in the hands of President Saddam Hussein who needed only to order his troops out of Iraqi-annexed Kuwait.

Benjedid arrived in Amman Tuesday for talks with King Hussein ahead of similar visits to Baghdad and Riyadh.

Official sources in Amman said the Algerian president, who has taken a neutral stand on the Gulf crisis, would seek to convince Saddam Hussein and Saudi Arabia's King Fahd to meet to solve the crisis.

The Saudi source said no date has been set for the Algerian President's visit to the kingdom.

He was commenting on reports that Benjedid was planning to visit Riyadh to start a Saudi-Iraqi dialogue on the Gulf crisis, the Saudi Press Agency (Spa) said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) - The United States might seek additional financial assistance from other countries for its military buildup in the Gulf, Defence Department spokesman Pete Williams said Tuesday.

He said the cost to date had not yet been determined, but that the Defence Department would present the necessary figures to Congress in February or thereafter.

Williams declined to comment on press reports putting the cost at between 20 and 37 billion dollars for the current fiscal year. He did say that the sum was greater than 15 billion dollars.

Congress has already approved 1.9 billion dollars for August and September. The Pentagon had requested 2.7 billion dollars.

Williams said that by year's end, other countries will have supplied about 6.5 billion dollars in funds or materiel. Kuwait has contributed 2.5 billion,

Japan 426 million, Germany 337 million -with a total of 1.5 billion promised by year's end - and the United Arab Emirates 250 million.

Saudi Arabia is paying for food, fuel, water, local transportation and other facilities. By the end of October, the cost of those services had reached about 1 billion dollars, Williams said.

Meanwhile, the State Department said Iraq sent 20,000 more troops to Kuwait and the southern border area during the last week, bringing the total to at least 500,000. They face more than 260,000 Americans and 220,000 troops from other countries.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) - Israeli Defence Minister Moshe Arens said Tuesday that Israel might resume deportations if the Palestinian uprising does not subside.

''I don't think that we would hesitate to use deportations,'' Arens said in a Cnn television interview, as they had been ''the most effective deterrent we have.''

Previous Israeli deportations of Palestinians have triggered protests by the United States and other western nations which consider them a violation of the Geneva Convention.

Arens acknowledged that the uprising had lately involved more lethal weapons, something he said might be due to a ''feeling of desperation,'' and the perception that stones were not doing the job.

Palestinian stone-throwers had been ''terrorizing'' the Israeli population, Arens said, but ''have no interest in the peace process at all.''

Asked how Israel would resume peace efforts, he said the focus would still be

on elections in the West Bank and Gaza strip to elect Palestinians with whom Israel could negotiate.

The Israeli army announced earlier in the day that it would seek tougher sentences for convicted Palestinian stone-throwers and post sentries at key intersections to prevent attacks on Israeli vehicles.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) - Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis Tuesday said Tuesday he believed the United States would not stand by idly if the Soviet Union used force to quell the independence drive of his Baltic republic.

"I don't want to have such a bad opinion of the United States of America," Mr. Landsbergis said at a press conference at the Lithuanian legation in Washington. "Especially after my meeting with President (George) Bush yesterday, I have absolutely no basis to think that way."

The Lithuanian president, who met with Mr. Bush Monday, said his country faced a Soviet military threat and requested U.S. "political protection."

Mr. Landsbergis stated at the press conference that Lithuania was confronted with the possibility of a new Soviet economic blockade, and said, "I am convinced this winter is going to be a decisive one in our struggle."

"All forces and measures possible are going to be used in an attempt to destabilize the situation in Lithuania, to undercut the legitimately elected government and to force it to remain part of the Soviet Union," Mr. Landsbergis added. He said the Soviets believed this winter would play in their favor, but that Lithuanians would fend off the attack and emerge victorious.

Mr. Landsbergis noted he was not certain of the position Western countries would take in the event of another Soviet blockade. "We hope the assistance from the West will not be limited to the supply of medecine," he said.

The Lithuanian leader condemned the Soviet policy of ignoring the separatist demands of his country and the other Soviet Baltic states, Estonia and Latvia, and suggested so-called "three plus four" negotiations.

Such talks, inspired by the "two plus four" talks prior to German reunification, would bring together Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia for discussions with the Second World War's victors, the United States, France, Britain and the Soviet Union.

The three Baltic states were joined forcibly to the Soviet Union by Joseph Stalin in 1940, and most Western countries, including the United States, have never recognized their annexation officially.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) - President George Bush assured Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir Tuesday that the United States would not resolve the Gulf crisis at Israel's expense and Mr. Shamir expressed his total support for U.S. policy against Iraq.

The two men, who met at the White House for the first time since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, agreed that the Palestinian question must not be linked to the Gulf crisis, but that the Middle East peace process should be revived once the crisis is over.

Mr. Shamir, who opposes an Israeli-Palestinian dialogue advocated by the United States, apparently did not present Mr. Bush with any new ideas on how to advance the peace process.

The shooting deaths of 18 Palestinian protesters in East Jerusalem's Temple Mount October 8 and Israel's rejection of U.N. resolutions calling for an investigation of the incident were not taken up during the meeting, which lasted nearly two hours, said John Kelly, assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern affairs.

Both sides stressed the "friendly" atmosphere of the meeting, which comes at a time of tension in relations between the two strategic allies over Israeli intransigence.

Mr. Bush thanked Mr. Shamir for the "low profile" adopted by Israel during the Gulf crisis, promising to defend Israel in case of an Iraqi attack and pledging to continue to supply Israel with the arms it needs to maintain a qualitative edge.

The day before the meeting Mr. Shamir warned once again against linking the Palestinian question and the Gulf crisis, asserting that some countries were prepared to accept such a linkage.

"I trust the president," Mr. Shamir told reporters as he left the White House. "He said it several times and he said it to me now again that there will not be any deal at the expense of Israel."

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HOUSTON, Texas (DEC. 11) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze are to meet in Washington on Wednesday with top officials from both the Angolan government and the U.S.-backed rebel force UNITA, officials said here Tuesday.

In a joint statement after their talks here, the two officials said Mr. Baker would confer with his Angolan counterpart Pedro de Castro Van Dunem while Mr. Shevardnadze would hold talks with Jonas Savimbi, leader of the Union for the Total Liberation of Angola (UNITA).

The communique, issued at the end of two days of talks here between Mr. Baker and Mr. Shevardnadze, said the two ministers would outline their common view of a peace settlement in Angola.

The proposed settlement calls for a ceasefire, participation of UNITA in Angola's political life, free and fair elections under international supervision and an end to all arms deliveries to the belligerents as soon as a ceasefire comes into effect.

Moscow is the main backer of the leftist Angolan Government, who has just announced the introduction of a multi-party system, while Washington provides military and political support to UNITA.

A communique from the UNITA office here said Mr. Savimbi would spend two days here from Wednesday at the request of Mr. Baker for consultations on the latest developments in the peace negotiations.

The official Angolan news agency ANGOP, in a dispatch monitored in Lisbon, said that Mr. van Dunem left Luanda on Tuesday for the talks in Washington.

The Angolan Government and UNITA have held several rounds of inconclusive peace talks this year.

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LONDON (DEC. 11) - Britain may call up of some medically qualified armed forces reservists because of the Gulf crisis, Defence Secretary Tom King said here in Parliament here Tuesday.

Some anaesthetists, surgeons, doctors and nurses in the Territorial Army, the British reserve force, had already been approached and asked if they could take time off from their jobs, Mr. King said.

The minister said volunteers would not be sent to the Gulf themselves, but would take over the posts of full time service personnel, enabling them to go to the region.

Mr. King gave no indication of the numbers of people involved.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) - The Senate's approval of a treaty to cut conventional arms in Europe may be delayed for two months because of undercounting of Soviet weapons, sources said Tuesday.

The Soviet Union has been moving tanks east of the Ural Mountains, an area not covered by the treaty, making it possible that Moscow would be required to destroy few or no tanks, rather than the 10,000 to 20,000 envisioned by the accord, said congressional sources who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Administration sources said other weapons systems were also undercounted,

Soviet armored personnel carriers by 12,000, artillery by 10,000 and combat aircraft by 3,000.

The Conventional Forces in Europe (CFE) treaty was signed November 19 in Paris. Leaders from 22 Warsaw Pact and North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) countries signed the document, which President George Bush praised as "the farthest-reaching arms agreement in history."

But Sen. Jesse Helms has complained in a letter to Mr. Bush that Moscow "may in fact be defeating the object and purpose (of the agreement) at the outset."

A White House source said the treaty came up during talks between Secretary of State James Baker and Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze in Houston, Texas.

"We are pursuing that now," said a White House official, who declined further comment.

Democratic staff sources said the problems did not jeopardize Senate approval of the treaty.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) - Record wheat stockpiles around the world are pushing prices down and making it hard for U.S. farmers to sell abroad, the U.S. Agriculture Department said Tuesday.

In addition, projections for wheat harvests in Canada, Mexico and China were higher than a month ago, even though prospects for Brazil, South Africa and the European Community were lowered.

Projections for the average U.S. market price fell five cents a bushel from November, to between 2.50 dollars and 2.70 dollars for the marketing year that began June 1.

And exports were expected to fall to 1.075 billion bushels in 1990-1991,

against 1.233 billion last year.

Projections for corn and other grains were also up from last month. Still, corn use is expected to be higher than output, reducing corn stockpiles.

World oilseed production was also at record levels, with the price of soybeans expected to fall 10 cents to between 5.25 dollars and 6.25 dollars a bushel.

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AMMAN (DEC. 12) - Algerian President Chadli Bendjedid met on Tuesday with Jordan's King Hussein for talks an Arab solution to the Gulf crisis, amid reports that the Algerian leader may seek to set up a meeting between Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and King Fahd of Saudi Arabia.

Mr. Chadli and King Hussein stressed the need to open an Arab dialogue to resolve the Gulf crisis and said there existed a link between all problems in the Middle East, according to officials here in the Jordanian capital.

Amman was the first stop in a tour which is also expected to take Mr. Chadli to Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Syria.

Informed sources here said he would seek to set up a Hussein-Fahd meeting and also to obtain an Iraqi pledge to withdraw from Kuwait, followed by the deployment there of an Arab force.

Both Mr. Chadli and King Hussein agreed that "all the problems in the Middle East were in the last analysis linked to one another and that demanded they be treated within the framework of principles and resolutions of international legality."

Present at the meeting between the two leaders were Crown Prince Hassan Ben Talal, Prime Minister Mudar Badran and Foreign Minister Marwan al-Kassem on the Jordanian side as well as Algeria's foreign minister, Ahmad Ghozali.

Mr. Chadli was to leave Jordan on Wednesday for another as yet undisclosed Arab capital.

Besides Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Syria, the Algerian President could also visit Yemen or another Gulf state.

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LONDON (DEC. 12) - The Soviet Union's ambassador to Britain wrote to the Times newspaper here Wednesday to thank the British people for their "swift and generous response" to his appeal for help over his country's food crisis.

"I do thank most sincerely all those who sent their (financial) donations... and contributed in many other ways including food parcels and medicines," ambassador Leonid Zamyatin wrote.

"It goes without saying that the embassy will use all the money so far accumulated in this account to purchase in the U.K. milk powder and baby food mixes of which we have urgent need."

"In the next two days we expect a full planeload of this humanitarian cargo to be airlifted... to Moscow," the ambassador went on.

"Aid of this kind "not only helps those in real need but strengthens the human bonds of mutual sympathy and care that unite the peoples of our two countries," Mr. Zamyatin wrote.

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SEATTLE, WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) - The Israeli airline El Al has ordered four Boeing aircraft and taken options on two more, Boeing Commercial Airplace Group confirmed Tuesday.

El Al has agreed to pay 425 million dollars for two twin-engined 757-200's and two 747-400's, a long-range, four-engined aircraft.

The airline took an option on two other 747-400s for a total of 264 million dollars.

The two 757's had been ordered earlier but no public announcement was made until Tuesday. One aircraft was delivered in November.

Since the beginning of the year, Boeing, the world's largest aircraft-builder, has announced orders for 502 commercial aircraft worth 44.7 billion dollars.

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#90345d8830 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (DEC. 12) - The Soviet Union expects to supply Poland with 4.5 million tonnes of oil next year, down from 13 million tonnes in previous years, the Polish news agency PAP reported on Tuesday.

The news agency, citing Soviet negotiators at the close of six days of talks with Polish authorities here, said Poland would have to pay for three million tonnes of the oil in hard currency.

The Soviet Union would accept to sell 1.5 million tonnes in counter-trade deals for Polish exports, mainly machine tools and ships, the officials said.

Beginning on January 1, trade between the Soviet Union and its former partners in the communist trading bloc COMECON is to be settled in dollars rather than roubles.

PAP also said the Soviet Union was preparing to sell Poland 6.6 billion cubic meters (230 million cubic feet) of natural gaz, less than the 8.1 billion sought by Warsaw.

The news agency said the projected oil and gas supplies fell far short of the quotas agreed upon during meetings between the two country's prime ministers.

Soviet negotiators, PAP said, told their Polish counterparts to begin negotiating directly with individual Soviet republics for supplementary deliveries of oil and natural gas.

Poland's oil consumption next year is expected to reach some 14 million tonnes. Its trade surplus for the current year, expected to reach four billion dollars, will be barely sufficient to pay its oil bill next year.

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#90345d8920 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (DEC. 12) - Indonesian car production this year is expected to soar to an all-time high of 270,000 units, up 54 per cent from the 1989 level of 174,356, an industry spokesman said Wednesday.

The production figure was still below demand, which had unexpectedly surged to an estimated 300,000 units this year, said the spokesman for the Association of Car Sole Agents and Manufacturers (Gaikindo).

The jump in demand, prompted by rising incomes and a growing number of bank credit schemes, has pushed up prices and caused long waits for popular models.

The spokesman said the national automotive industry had an annual capacity of 424,300 units, but was unable to produce at full rate due to inadequate supplies of components and shortage of labour.

The previous record production was recorded in 1981 with 212,674 units before the economic recession the following year brought the level to as low as 139,000 units in 1985.

The local automotive industry still largely assembles imported kits, mainly for Japanese principals and a few European countries, although the country has begun producing and also exporting a number of components and parts.

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#90345d8980 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 12) - Japan's Mitsubishi announced on Wednesday it had received an order from the Soviet private shipping company Sovcomflot for 18 cargo ships worth about 40 billion yen (307 million dollars) for delivery between 1991 and 1993.

The contract is the largest Soviet order for Japanese shipbuilders in the last few years, industry sources said.

Mitsubishi officials said Sovcomflot, privatized in July 1988, ordered 18 multi-purpose cargo ships, comprising eight 9,500 tonners and 10 6,100 tonners.

The payment will partly be made in the form of leasing contracts, they said.

Sovcomflot currently owns about 178 vessels or 3.5 million tonnes, but plans to increase the number of its fleet to 400 ships over the next few years.

The mass order reflected the Soviet Union's urgent need to modernize its merchant navy because the average vessel of its 2,800-ship fleet is more than 16 years old, the officials.

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#90345d8990 12/11/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 12) - Japan Airlines Co. (JAL) has said it will join the German airline Lufthansa in acquiring shares in the world's top courier network DHL.

DHL International Ltd., DHL's Brussels-based global service, signed an agreement Monday to let JAL and Lufthansa each take a five per cent stake in it and its holding company Middlestown N.V., a JAL statement released here late Tuesday said.

Under the agreement, the Japanese trading company Nissho Iwai Corp. will also acquire a 2.5 per cent share each in DHL International and Middlestown.

The deal gives the airline companies the option to raise their stakes to 25 per cent each within 18 months and Nissho Iwai to increase its share to 7.5 per cent, the statement added.

The three partners will also acquire stakes in DHL's operation in the United States, DHL Corp., with JAL and Lufthansa holding one per cent each and Nissho Iwai 0.5 per cent.

The tie-ups will help establish an international network linking North America Europe and Asia to provide a "complete door-to-door courier service meeting the diversifying needs of clients with flexibility," the statement said.

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#90345e0013 12/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Paris (DEC. 11) EFE - Paris air-traffic controllers began a two-day strike Tuesday which will severely disrupt services to and from other European cities.

The number of Air France flights in and out of the French capital was slashed by 50 per cent as a result of the strike for higher staffing levels and more pay.

Air controllers complain that while traffic has increased, the number of controllers has diminished, and the problem is likely to increase in the future.

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#90345e0021 12/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
VIENNA (DEC. 11) EFE - Romanians will be able to celebrate Christmas legally for the first time in more than four decades following a decision by the Bucharest govy as an official holiday and recommended that state-owned and private firms allow their workers a day off on Christmas Eve, the agency, monitored in Vienna, reported.

In December last year, after throwing its support to anti- government demonstrators, the Army toppled and executed dictator Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife, putting an end to 43 years of oppressive Communist rule.

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#90345e0031 12/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MADRID (DEC. 11) EFE - The number of Spaniards out of work in November stood at 2.3 million, or 15.6 per cent of the working population, according to figures released Tuesday by the Labor Ministry.

The figures showed 2,905 people had lost their jobs across the country last month.

An estimated 30 per cent of employed Spaniards have part-time or insecure jobs.

Spain has one of the highest unemployment rates in Western Europe, although analysts claim the true rate is actually lower due to a thriving underground economy.

Observers said a crisis in the tourism sector due to the falling number of foreign visitors had helped keep Spain's jobless rate high.

They said recent falls in production in the industrial and manufacturing sector, especially in the automobile industry, had also contributed.

Car sales in Spain plunged by 23.57 per cent in November, according to figures released this week by the car manufacturers' association, ANFAC.

ANFAC said the sector was in an +important recession+ which affected both production and exports. The assocation said the recession had started in August 1989 when the government moved to curb credits and raise interest rates.

Between January and November 1990, car sales dropped 11.24 per cent compared with the same period last year. This figure is expected to rise to 12 per cent by the end of the year.

The figures showed that companies worst hit by this year's falling demand for cars were the Renualt group, whose sales plunged by 23.07 per cent and the Opel firm which registered a 13.88 drop.

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#90345e0032 12/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MUNICH (DEC. 11) EFE - More than half of young east Germans want to adapt to a western German lifestyle, but one in three fear they are not capable of doing so, a survey published Tuesday revealed.

Of 1,100 people between the ages of 14 and 25 in the five states of former East German polled by a Munich-based institute, 63 per cent said they felt a rapid adjustment to the higher west German standard of living was essential.

Thirty-four per cent thought it would be difficult to adapt while 30 per cent feared they were not equal to future challenges following German unification over two months ago.

Young Germans in the east see their western counterparts as self-assured, arrogant and pretentious whereas a survey in west Germany showed that the same age group views the easterners as easily influenced, obedient and modest.

The two Germanys unified on October 3 after 45 years of separation.-EFE

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#90345e0033 12/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
LOS ANGELES (DEC. 11) EFE - The widow of late Philippines president Ferdinand Marcos has agreed to return to the Manila government $400 million of state funds which the dictator illegally took out of the country after his overthrow in 1986.

Imelda Marcos signed an agreement with a Philippine government commission in Los Angeles Monday which puts the money under independent custody until an agreement is reached on all the cash allegedly smuggled out by the couple.

The $400 million is currently being held in five Hong Kong banks.

The commission's head, David Castro, said that it would continue pressing for some $5 billion from Marcos which the government of President Corazon Aquino claims belongs to the Philippine treasury.

Imelda Marcos said she hoped Monday's agreement would allow her to return to the Philippines from exile in Hawaii and bury Ferdinand, who died in 1988.

She was found not guilty by a U.S. court in July of conspiring to channel dlrs 200 million of Philippine treasury money to buy property, jewels and art in the United States and of defrauding several U.S. banks.

International arms dealer Adnan Kashoggi was found not guilty of fraud charges at the same trial.

Imelda Marcos became infamous for her numerous extravagant shopping trips to the United States during her husband's stay in power and she was reputed to have compiled the world's largest collection of shoes.

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#90345e0034 12/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
Madrid (DEC. 11) EFE - Share prices dropped slightly on the Madrid exchange Tuesday, with the general index losing 1.07 points to close at 240.13.

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#90345e0041 12/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
BEIRUT (DEC. 11) EFE - Two pro-Iranian guerrillas were wounded Tuesday when Israeli helicopter gunships strafed guerrilla bases with heavy machine-gun fire in eastern Lebanon, police said.

The helicopters attacked Hezbollah (Party of God) positions in the Bekaa valley, 50 km east of Beirut.

All Palestinian and Lebanese militia groups in Bekaa declared a state of alert after four Israeli warplanes and a reconnaissance aircraft flew over the

valley.

The attack is the latest in a series of skirmishes which have left six Israeli soldiers and 31 Lebanese or Palestinians dead in southern Lebanon in recent weeks.

The Bekaa valley is near Israel's self-declared security zone where most of the clashes have occurred.

The Israelis set up the 15-km-wide buffer enclave in 1985 to prevent guerrillas from reaching the border.

Arab sources say Israel has been concentrating its troops in the region to face the build-up of Lebanese militias, as well as Palestinian guerrillas.

Hezbollah and Syrian-backed Amal groups moved into the region after agreeing an accord with the Lebanese government for all militiamen to move out of Beirut.

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#90345e0042 12/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PRAGUE (DEC. 11) EFE - A U.S. Air Force C-5 transport plane flew Czech military chemical warfare specialists to the Gulf Tuesday, the first Eastern European troops to be deployed in the region, Czech authorities said.

The soldiers belonging to Czechoslovakia's anti-chemical warfare unit left for Saudi Arabia where they will train Saudis.

The first contingent of a 170-strong deployment, the troops are going at the invitation and expense of the Saudi government.

The detachment, whose transport planes will refuel at the U.S. Air Force base at Torrejon, Spain, is made up of three platoons of anti-chemical warfare experts, a medical team, and service and maintenance personnel.

The troops, described as "volunteers" by the commander of the expedition, Col. Jan Valo, are not expected to enter combat.

Instead they will instruct Saudi soldiers and civilians in basic methods of defense against a possible chemical weapons attack by Iraq.

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#90345e0046 12/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

TEHRAN (DEC. 11) EFE - An Ird for killing British author Salman Rushdie, days after Rushdie made his first public appearance since the late Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini sentenced him to death almost two years ago.

"There is still a price on Rushdie's head", the Fifteenth of Khordad Foundation said in an announcement published in Tehran newspapers.

It said it would still pay 200 million riales (more than dlrs three million) to any Iranian who killed Rushdie, or dlrs one million to any non-Iranian who killed the author.

The foundation noted that Khomeini's successor as Iranian spiritual leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, in February ratified the death sentence against Rushdie.

In February, 1989, Khomeini called on Moslems to kill Rushdie to punish him for writing the book "The Satanic Verses", which the ayatollah said was blasphemous to Islam.

Rushdie went into hiding, and reappeared in public only days ago when he signed copies of his latest work, a collection of children's tales, at a London bookstore.

Britain's refusal to condemn Rushdie led Tehran to break diplomatic relations with London in March, 1989. The two countries restored diplomatic ties in September this year.

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#90345e0058 12/11/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PARIS (DEC. 11) EFE - The Palestine Liberation Organization's number two leader, Abu Iyad, said Monday that the PLO and six Arab nations were instrumental in Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's decision to free all foreign hostages.

Iyad said in an interview broadcast on French television that the PLO "contacted authorities in Yemen, Tunisia, Algeria, Morocco, Jordan and Sudan after U.S. President George Bush proposed to his Iraqi counterpart two bilateral meetings".

He said the PLO and the Arab countries sent Saddam a message in which they urged him to free the hostages and "he responded favorably, deciding to free everyone before Christmas".

Iyad said the message dealt with "the search for a political solution based on the withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait" to be followed by negotiations that would include all of the Middle East region's problems.

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#90345f0491 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 11) UPI - Grain and soybean futures were mixed at the close Tuesday on the Chicago Board of Trade. The activity was choppy ahead of the supply and demand report scheduled for release later in the day.

Corn was moderately higher on a pick-up in export business. There were rumors that South Korea, Taiwan and Mexico were in the market for as much as 300,000 tons of corn.

December wheat was firm on news that China had been offered 1.5 million tons of export bonus wheat and the overnite sale of 100,000 tons to Algeria. However, the rest of the wheat was lower on positioning ahead of the USDA report.

Soybeans were narrowly mixed in quiet trading. Interior and Gulf basis levels were mixed early today.

At the close, corn was up 1/2 to 1 1/2, soybeans down 1 1/4 to up 2 1/4, wheat up 1 1/4 to off 1 1/2 and oats up 1/2 to down 1/2.

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#90345f0492 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Gold futures closed Tuesday 190 to 230 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	372.00	374.40	370.40	372.00	374.20
Jan	372.60	....	....	372.60	374.80
Feb	373.00	376.70	372.20	373.60	375.90
Apr	375.50	379.00	375.00	376.50	378.70
Jun	379.30	381.70	378.50	379.60	381.70
Aug	382.40	....	....	382.40	384.50
Oct	385.00	385.40	385.00	385.40	387.50
Dec	388.50	....	....	388.50	390.60
Feb	391.80	....	....	391.80	393.80
Apr	394.90	....	....	394.90	396.90
Jun	398.30	....	....	398.30	400.20
Aug	401.70	....	....	401.70	403.60

Open interest: 112,389 off 1,165.
Estimated sales: 30,000 contracts.

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#90345f0493 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 11) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.56	2.56	2.54	2.54 1/2	2.53 1/4
Mar	2.67 1/2	2.68	2.66 1/4	2.66 3/4	2.67 1/4
May	2.75 1/2	2.76	2.73 3/4	2.74	2.74 3/4
Jly	2.79 3/4	2.80	2.77 1/4	2.77 1/2	2.78 3/4
Sep	2.84 1/4	2.84 1/4	2.83	2.83	2.84 1/2
Dec	2.95 1/2	2.95 1/2	2.94 1/4	2.94 1/2	2.96
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.28 1/2	2.39	2.26 1/4	2.27 1/4	2.26 3/4
Mar	2.39	2.39 1/4	2.37 3/4	2.38 3/4	2.38
May	2.46	2.47 1/4	2.45 3/4	2.46 3/4	2.45 1/2
Jly	2.53 1/2	2.53 1/2	2.52	2.53	2.52
Sep	2.52 1/2	2.53 1/2	2.52 1/4	2.53 1/4	2.52
Dec	2.52	2.52 3/4	2.51 3/4	2.52 3/4	2.52
Mar	2.58	2.59 3/4	2.58	2.59 3/4	2.58 1/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.11	1.11	1.09 3/4	1.10 3/4	1.10 1/4
Mar	1.20	1.21	1.19 3/4	1.20 1/2	1.20 1/2
May	1.26	1.26 1/2	1.25 1/2	1.25 1/2	1.26
Jly	1.32	1.32	1.31 1/4	1.31 1/2	1.32
Sep	1.36 1/2	1.36 1/2	1.36 1/2	1.36 1/2	1.37
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Jan	5.97	5.97	5.93	5.95	5.95 3/4
Mar	6.11	6.12	6.08 1/4	6.10 1/2	6.10 1/2
May	6.25 1/2	6.26	6.22 1/4	6.24	6.24 3/4
Jly	6.37	6.37 1/4	6.34 1/2	6.36	6.36 3/4
Aug	6.38	6.39 1/4	6.37 1/4	6.38 1/4	6.39 1/2
Sep	6.28	6.29	6.28	6.28 3/4	6.28
Nov	6.24 1/2	6.28 1/4	6.24 1/2	6.28	6.25 3/4
Jan	6.37 1/2	6.39 1/2	6.37 1/2	6.39	6.37
Mar	6.50	6.51 1/2	6.49 3/4	6.51 1/2	6.49 1/2
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Dec	21.52	21.57	21.45	21.48	21.50
Jan	21.71	21.77	21.61	21.62	21.66
Mar	22.05	22.05	21.91	21.91	21.98
May	22.35	22.35	22.23	22.23	22.28
Jul	22.50	22.54	22.42	22.42	22.46
Aug	22.43	22.43	22.32	22.32	22.35
Sep	22.35	22.35	22.25	22.27	22.32
Oct	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.35
Dec	22.20	22.25	22.05	22.07	22.22
Jan	....	....	....	22.02	22.12

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	175.50	175.50	174.20	175.30	175.00
Jan	177.30	177.30	176.00	176.90	176.70
Mar	182.00	182.10	181.00	181.90	181.90
May	185.60	185.70	184.80	185.60	185.80
Jul	189.00	189.00	188.00	188.50	188.70
Aug	189.80	189.80	189.00	189.20	189.60
Sep	188.30	188.50	187.50	187.50	188.60
Oct	....	....	....	186.50	187.00
Dec	188.50	189.00	188.50	189.00	189.10
Jan	....	....	....	187.50	187.50

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#90345f0494 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday 11 to 16 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.67	9.92	9.67	9.89	9.73
May	9.77	9.94	9.77	9.91	9.79
Jly	9.82	9.98	9.82	9.95	9.84
Oct	9.80	9.97	9.80	9.96	9.83
Mar	9.87	....	....	10.02	9.90

Estimated sales: 12,701 contracts

Open interest: 110.140 off 1,662

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.89

Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 5 to 11 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	22.58	22.60	22.50	22.50	22.61
May	22.79	22.79	22.72	22.72	22.77
Jly	22.82	22.82	22.75	22.77	22.83
Sep	22.80	22.80	22.75	22.75	22.80
Nov	22.80	22.80	22.75	22.75	22.81
Jan	....	....	....	22.75	22.81

Estimated sales: 318 contracts

Open interest: 11,895 off 356

-30- 1109

#90345f0495 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	67 7-8	off	1-2
AT&T Company	29 5-8	off	1-4
BCE Inc	34 5-8	up	1-8
Bell Atlantic	55 1-8	off 1	
BellSouth Corp	54 1-2	off	1-2
Exxon Corp	49 3-4	up	1-8
Ford Motor Co	27 1-2	off	3-8
Genl Electric	56 5-8	off	3-8
General Motors	35 5-8	off 1	1-8
GTE Corp	29 1-4	up	1-4
IBM Corp	112 7-8	off	1-2
Mobil Oil Corp	57 1-2	off	1-2
Nynex Corp	74 1-4	up	3-8
Pac Gas & Elec	x24 1-4	unch	
Pacific Telesis	45 3-8	off	5-8
Phila Electric	17 1-4	off	1-8
Sears Roebuck	25 7-8	up	1-8
Southern Co	26 7-8	off	1-8
Sthwestern Bell	55 1-4	off	5-8
US West Inc	38 3-8	up	3-8

x-ex-dividend

-30- 1086

#90345h0033 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 11) XINHUA - NIGERIAN PRESIDENT IBRAHIM BABANGIDA LEFT HERE TODAY FOR A THREE-DAY STATE VISIT TO EQUA- TORIAL GUINEA.

DURING HIS VISIT, THE FIRST TO THE COUNTRY SINCE THE NIGERIAN PRESIDENT CAME TO POWER IN 1985, BABANGIDA IS EXPECTED TO HOLD TALKS WITH EQUATORIAL GUINEAN LEADER NGUEMA MBASOGO, WHICH WILL FOCUS ON THE PROMOTION OF ECONOMIC AND TRADE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, PARTICULARLY IN THE AREAS OF AGRICULTURE, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND OIL EXPLORATION.

NIGERIA'S ASSISTANCE TO EQUATORIAL GUINEA IN THE LAST FEW YEARS INCLUDED A 52-BED POLYCLINIC, A MODEL NIGERIAN SCHOOL, VARIOUS AGRICULTURAL VENTURES AND A CREDIT LINE OF MORE THAN ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

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#90345h0038 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (DEC. 11) XINHUA - THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC) WILL OPEN FRIDAY ITS FIRST CONFERENCE INSIDE SOUTH AFRICA SINCE IT WAS BANNED IN 1961 AND ABOUT 1,600 DELEGATES FROM 36 COUNTRIES ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND THE MEETING.

ANC PRESIDENT OLIVER TAMBO WILL DELIVER THE OPENING ADDRESS TO THE CONFERENCE ON FRIDAY MORNING, AFTER WHICH DEPUTY PRESIDENT NELSON MANDELA WILL MAKE A POLITICAL STATEMENT.

THE CONFERENCE, WHICH WILL BE HELD AT NASREC, SOUTH OF JOHANNE- SBURG, WILL GO INTO CLOSED-DOOR SESSION UNTIL THE CLOSING CEREMONY AT MID-DAY ON SUNDAY.

MR. TAMBO IS TO RETURN TO SOUTH AFRICA THURSDAY MORNING FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE HE WENT INTO EXILE IN 1960.

OBSERVERS FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN COMMUNIST PARTY (SACP), THE CONGRESS OF SOUTH AFRICAN TRADE UNIONS (COSATU) AND THE UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT (UDF) WILL JOIN THE ANC DELEGATES IN DISCUSS- IONS ON SIX TOPICS: NEGOTIATIONS AND THE ARMED STRUGGLE, STRAT- EGY AND TACTICS OF THE ANC, VIOLENCE, BUILDING ORGANISATION, INT- ERNATIONAL ISOLATION, PROGRAM OF ACTION FOR 1991.

THE ANC HAS TERMED THE CONFERENCE A "CONSULTATIVE CONFERENCE" AND POSTPONED ITS FIRST NATIONAL CONFERENCE SINCE BEING BANNED, TO THE MIDDLE OF NEXT YEAR.

THE LAST CONSULTATIVE CONFERENCE WAS HELD IN KABWE, ZAMBIA, IN 1985. MR. TAMBO AND MR. MANDELA WILL ADDRESS A RALLY IN A FOOTBALL STADIUM NEAR SOWETO ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE OUTCOME OF THE CONFERENCE.

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#90345h0039 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GABORONE (DEC. 11) XINHUA - SOUTH AFRICA'S FEAR OF MASSIVE MAIZE AND WHEAT CROP FAILURES HAS NOW MATERIALISED AS THE WORST DROUGHT IN 60 YEARS CONTINUES TO BLIGHT THE COUNTRY, "THE STAR" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA REPORTED TODAY.

AGRICULTURAL SCIENTISTS IN SOUTH AFRICA BELIEVE THE LACK OF RAIN HAS RESULTED IN WORM DAMAGE.

UNLESS CONSISTENT AND SOAKING RAINS FALL THIS MONTH, THE HARVEST MAY BE HALF THAT OF LAST YEAR, AND SOUTH AFRICA WILL HAVE TO IMPORT, AT A COST OF MORE 1 BILLION RAND (ABOUT 0.4 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS), AT LEAST THREE MILLION TONS OF MAIZE, SAID THE PAPER.

THE PAPER SAID THAT ALL MAIZE EXPORTS HAVE BEEN STOPPED IN ORDER TO MEET DOMESTIC REQUIREMENTS BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT.

A SIMILAR SITUATION EXISTS IN THE COUNTRY IN REGARD TO THE WHEAT HARVEST, WHICH WAS OFFICIALLY ESTIMATED AT THE WEEKEND TO BE NO MORE THAN 1.9 MILLION TONS, A SHORTFALL OF 500,000 TONS ON DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION.

ONLY 50 PERCENT OF PLANTING HAS SO FAR TAKEN PLACE ON NORTHERN NATAL FARMS, 70 PERCENT IN THE EASTERN TRANSVAAL, 10 PERCENT IN THE FAR WESTERN TRANSVAAL AND

NORTHWEST FREE STATE, AND ALMOST NOTHING IN SOME OTHER AREAS OF THE PROVINCES.

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#90345h0040 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BUCHAREST (DEC. 11) XINHUA - ROMANIAN PRESIDENT ION ILIESCU TODAY AGREED TO MEDIATE BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND UNION LEADERS IN AN EFFORT TO STAVE OFF A GENERAL STRIKE.

AFTER MEETING PRESIDENT ILIESCU THIS MORNING, LEADERS OF THE NATIONWIDE FRATIA LABOR CONFEDERATION ANNOUNCED THEY WILL HAVE A ROUND-TABLE MEETING WITH THE GOVERNMENT TOMORROW TOGETHER WITH OTHER UNIONS TO SOLVE PROBLEMS WHICH HAVE INCREASED TENSIONS AROUND BUCHAREST.

THE FRATIA LABOR CONFEDERATION AND THE DRIVERS' UNION HELD A RALLY THIS AFTERNOON IN THE CAPITAL'S HUGE AVIATORS' SQUARE AND DECLARED THE BEGINNING OF A DRIVERS' STRIKE.

DEMONSTRATORS DEMANDED THE RESIGNATION OF THE GOVERNMENT. UNION LEADERS THREATENED THAT IF NO AGREEMENT WAS REACHED TOMORROW BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND THE UNIONS, THEY WILL CALL FOR A NATION-WIDE DRIVERS' STRIKE.

MEANWHILE,THE GOVERNMENT HELD SEVEN HOURS OF TALKS WITH THE ROMANIAN FREE TRADE UNION NATIONAL FEDERATION, ANOTHER LARGE TRADE UNION IN THE COUNTRY.

THE TWO SIDES REACHED A 15-POINT AGREEMENT, WHICH INCLUDES ALLOWING THE TRADE UNION TO JOIN THE INVESTIGATION TEAM LOOKING INTO ABUSE OF POWER AND CORRUPTION WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT, DISCUSSIONS TO ENSURE SOCIAL PROTECTION, AND MEASURES TO BE TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT TO CURB PRICE HIKES.

-30- 1442

#90345h0046 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 11) XINHUA - CHINA EARNED 260 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FROM TOBACCO EXPORTS IN THE FIRST TEN MONTHS THIS YEAR -- 62.5 PERCENT ABOVE THE QUOTA AND AN ALL-TIME RECORD.

AS A RESULT OF IMPORTED ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY AND EQUIPMENT AND BETTER QUALITY CONTROL OF TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES, THE COUNTRY'S EXPORT VOLUME OF CIGARETTES DURING THE PERIOD SURPASSED THE TOTAL EXPORT VOLUME OF THE PAST FIVE YEARS.

STATISTICS SHOW THAT THE COUNTRY'S EARNINGS FROM TOBACCO EXPORTS IN THE FIRST 10 MONTHS THIS YEAR WERE FOUR TIMES GREATER THAN IN 1985.

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#90345h0049 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 11) XINHUA - WORKERS OF THE NIGERIAN RAILWAY CORPORATION HAVE

THREATENED TO GO ON A NATIONWIDE STRIKE IF THE GOVERNMENT FAILS TO MEET THEIR DEMAND FOR MEAL SUBSIDY, THE NEWSPAPER "NATIONAL CONCORD" SAID TODAY9

THE PAPER SAID THE NIGERIAN UNION OF RAILWAYMEN (NUR) HAS ISSUED A 14-DAY ULTIMATUM TO THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CORPORATION ASKING FOR PAYMENT OF WORKERS' MEAL SUBSIDY APPROVED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TWO YEARS AGO.

SOURCES HERE SAID THAT THE POSSIBLE STRIKE ACTION BY THE UNION, WHOSE MEMBERS FORM THE BULK OF THE CORPORATION'S WORKFORCE, MAY HIT THE NATION'S ECONOMY AND AFFECT RAILWAY TRANSPORT DURING THE CHRISTMAS PERIOD.

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#90345h0051 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (DEC. 11) XINUA - CHINESE PREMIER LI PENG PAID A VISIT TO PROTON MALAYSIA'S NATIONAL AUTOMOBILE CORPORATION, HERE THIS AFTERNOON.

PROTON, SHORT FOR PERUSAHAANOTOMOBIL NATIONAL BHD, IS A MALAYSIAN-JAPANESE JOINT VENTURE, WHICH IS LOCATED IN SHAH ALAM, THE CAPITAL OF THE SELANGOR STATE. THE CAR PRODUCED IN THIS NEWLY -DEVELOPED, EXPORT-ORIENTED INDUSTRIAL ZONE IS CALLED PROTON SAGA, OR "LEGENDARY HERO."

IN HIS 45-MINUTES TOUR, THE CHINESE PREMIER VIEWED THE VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE COMPANY, INQUIRING OCCASIONALLY ABOUT PROTON'S PRODUCTION, OPERATION AND SALES.

LI PENG IS HERE ON A FOUR-DAY OFFICIAL GOODWILL VISIT AS GUEST OF MALAYSIAN PRIME MINISTER MAHATHIR MOHAMAD.

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#90345h0059 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 11) XINHUA - HALF OF HOUSEHOLDS IN INDIA FALL IN THE CATEGORY OF BELOW POVERTY, ACCORDING TO A LATEST STUDY PUBLISHED BY THE PRESS TRUST OF INDIA TODAY.

THE STUDY, CONDUCTED BY THE OPERATIONS RESEARCH GROUP (ORG), SHOWS THAT 61 PERCENT OF HOUSEHOLDS IN RURAL INDIA FALL UNDER "BELOW POVERTY CATEGORY" AGAINST THE NATIONAL AVERAGE OF LITTLE OVER 50 PERCENT.

TWO-THIRDS HOUSEHOLDS IN VILLAGES WITH POPULATION BELOW 1,000 HAVE MONTHLY INCOME LESS THAN 750 RUPEES (41.6 U.S. DOLLARS) AS AGAINST 16.1 PERCENT IN THE CASE OF CITIES WITH POPULATION OVER ONE MILLION.

IN FACT, 27.5 PERCENT OF HOUSEHOLDS IN RURAL INDIA IN 1990 CONTINUE TO BE THE POOREST OF THE POOR WITH A MONTHLY INCOME OF LESS THAN 350 RUPEES, WHILE ONLY 3.4 PERCENT OF HOUSEHOLDS IN RURAL INDIA HAVE A MONTHLY INCOME EXCEEDING 2,500 RUPEES (138.8 U.S. DOLLARS).

THE CORRESPONDING FIGURE IN CASE OF URBAN AREAS IS 17.1 PERCENT. ONLY 6 PERCENT OF HOUSEHOLDS IN URBAN INDIA HAVE A MONTHLY INCOME OF OVER 4,000 RUPEES (222 U.S. DOLLARS).

ACCORDING TO THE STUDY, THE CASE IS WORST IN THE EAST ZONE COMPRISING OF BIHAR WEST BENGAL, ORISSA AND ASSAM STATES, WHERE THE PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLDS FALLING BELOW POVERTY IS 63 PERCENT.

THE STUDY WAS BASED ON A SAMPLE SURVEY COVERING OVER 83,000 HOUSEHOLDS SPREAD ACROSS THE COUNTRY, THE PRESS TRUST OF INDIA SAID.

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#90345h0066 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KATHMANDU (DEC. 11) XINHUA - NEPALESE INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE MINISTER SAHANA PRADHAN CALLED HERE TODAY FOR A CAMPAIGN TO TREAT AND REHABILITATE LEPROSY PATIENTS IN THE KINGDOM.

SHE MADE THE CALL WHILE INAUGURATING A NATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR THE PREPARATION OF A PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE LEPROSY CONTROL PROGRAM WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY REGIONAL HEALTH DIRECTORS AND DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES.

THERE ARE AN ESTIMATED 100,000 LEPROSY POSITIVE PEOPLE IN THE COUNTRY, AVERAGING ABOUT SEVEN PER 1,000 POPULATION. SOME 70,000 LEPERS HAVE REGISTERED WITH THE HEALTH MINISTRY.

LEPROSY IS NOT JUST A PHYSICAL DISEASE BUT ALSO CARRIES SOCIAL STIGMA. EVEN AMONG THE EDUCATED THE TENDENCY IS TO HIDE IT AND SEEK TREATMENT ONLY WHEN A STAGE OF PHYSICAL DEFORMITY IS REACHED, THE MINISTER NOTED.

"WHAT IS NEEDED THEREFORE IS A CHANGE IN POPULAR ATTITUDE THAT WILL MAKE TIMELY TREATMENT EASIER, THEREBY AVOIDING THE SORRY CYCLE OF DISFIGUREMENT, SOCIAL BOYCOTT AND IN THE END DESTITUTION AND BEGGING IN THE STREETS," SHE ADDED.

THE SEMINAR WILL REVIEW THE STATE OF LEPROSY ERADICATION AND TREATMENT, AND FOCUS ON FUTURE PROGRAMS AND THE ROLE OF GOVERNMENTAL AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS.

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#90345h0067 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BANGKOK (DEC. 11) XINHUA - A NIGERIAN WAS ARRESTED AT BANGKOK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT WITH FIVE KILOGRAMS OF HEROIN TODAY, A TV REPORT SAID TONIGHT.

THE REPORT NOTED THAT THE SUSPECT WAS ARRESTED WHEN CUSTOMS OFFICERS FOUND THE DRUG IN HIS SUITCASE.

HE SEIZED HEROIN WAS ESTIMATED TO BE WORTH ONE MILLION BAHT (40,000 U.S. DOLLARS) LOCALLY AND ABOUT 10 TIME HIGHER OVERSEAS, THE REPORT SAID.

SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THIS YEAR, 82 NIGERIANS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED IN THAILAND WITH 164 KILOGRAMS OF HEROIN, THE REPORT ADDED.

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#90345h0071 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 11) XINHUA - MR TAO, WHO IS 87 YEARS OLD, SAYS HE IS QUITE CONTENT NOW THAT HE HAS MOVED INTO ONE OF BEIJING'S NEW CARE CENTERS FOR THE ELDERLY.

THE CARE CENTER, LOCATED IN THE CITY'S CHAOYANG DISTRICT, IS ONE OF 12 SET UP IN BEIJING IN THE PAST TWO YEARS. THEY ARE DIFFERENT FROM THE "HOMES FOR THE AGED", WHICH RECEIVE ONLY CHILDLESS OLD PERSONS.

THE CARE CENTER IS A ONE-STORY HOUSE WITH SIX ROOMS. THERE IS A TV ROOM, A CLINIC AND A KITCHEN. THE NINE OLD PEOPLE ACCEPTED ARE ALL OVER 70 YEARS OLD AND A STAFF OF FOUR LOOKS AFTER THEM.

TAO SAID, "I CAN TALK TO MY FRIENDS HERE AND IT'S CONVENIENT TO GO OUT FOR WALKS. WE GET ALONG VERY WELL, JUST LIKE A FAMILY."

HE CONTINUED, "BEFORE I CAME HERE, MY CHILDREN WORRIED ABOUT ME STAYING ALONE AT HOME WHILE THEY WERE WORKING. NOW THEY CAN RELAX, BUT I ALWAYS GO TO SEE THEM AT WEEKENDS."

THESE CARE CENTERS WERE SET UP BY THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT'S SUBDISTRICT OFFICES OR THEIR SUBORDINATE NEIGHBORHOOD COMMITTEES TO ALLEVIATE THE PROBLEM OF WORKING FAMILIES WITH ELDERLY PARENTS WHOM THEY HAVE TO LEAVE ALONE DURING THE DAYTIME.

DU RUNFANG, HEAD OF THE SANLITUN CARE CENTER, SAID, "SIX MONTHS AGO THE NEIGHBORHOOD COMMITTEE BUILT THIS CENTER WITH THE PROFITS MADE FROM RUNNING A SMALL HOTEL AND A RESTAURANT. THE STAFF ARE PAID BY THE COMMITTEE."

SHE EXPLAINED THAT THE OLD PEOPLE PAY 150 YUAN (ABOUT 30 U.S. DOLLARS) A MONTH FOR ROOM AND BOARD.

ACCORDING TO STATISTICS FROM THE BEIJING COMMISSION ON AGEING, THE CITY HAS 1.17 MILLION PEOPLE OVER 60 YEARS OLD, ACCOUNTING FOR 11 PERCENT OF THE CITY'S POPULATION.

BESIDES THE 12 CARE CENTERS FOR THE ELDERLY, 300 "HOMES FOR THE AGED", 30 GERIATRIC HOSPITALS, 24 UNIVERSITIES OR SCHOOLS AND 2,000 RECREATION CENTERS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE BEEN SET UP IN BEIJING DURING THE PAST FEW YEARS, AND MORE ARE PLANNED.

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#90345h0072 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC. 11) XINHUA - AGRICULTURE MINISTERS FROM THE 12 NATIONS OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC) REACHED AN AGREEMENT HERE TODAY FOR QUARANTINE PROCEDURES FOR LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS COMING FROM NON-EC MEMBERS AFTER THE SINGLE EUROPEAN MARKET IS ESTABLISHED IN 1992.

ACCORDING TO INSTRUCTIONS AGREED UPON BY THE MINISTERS, BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1 1993, THE 12 EC MEMBER NATIONS WILL PRACTISE A STANDARDIZED PROCEDURE FOR INSPECTING LIVESTOCK. PRODUCTS EXPORTED BY NON-EC MEMBERS TO THE EC MAY CIRCULATE FREELY ONLY AFTER THEY GO THROUGH A STANDARD INSPECTION PROCEDURE.

THE NEW RULES SUPPLEMENT ONES PASSED LAST YEAR BY THE EC WHICH ELIMINATED QUARANTINES BETWEEN THE PRODUCTS OF MEMBER COUNTRIES.

COORDINATING THE QUARANTINE STANDARDS AMONG EC MEMBERS IS A STEP TOWARD THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SINGLE MARKET IN EUROPE.

-30- 1015
#90345h0073 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LHASA (DEC. 11) XINHUA - A 177.9 KILOMETER SECTION OF HIGHWAY LINKING CHINA WITH NEIGHBORING NEPAL OPENED TO TRAFFIC IN TIBET TODAY.

THE SECTION BEGINS IN QUXU COUNTY, NEAR THE CAPITAL CITY OF LHASA, AND ENDS IN DAZHU COUNTY NEAR XIGAZE, A LEADING INDUSTRIAL CENTER IN THE REGION.

COMPARED TO THE CIRCUITOUS HIGHWAY BUILT IN THIS AREA IN THE 1960S, THE NEW ROUTE HAS REDUCED THE HIGHWAY DISTANCE BY 100 KILOMETERS.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW HIGHWAY REQUIRED FOUR YEARS AND AN INVESTMENT OF 100 MILLION YUAN, SAID A PROJECT OFFICIAL.

EXPERTS SAY THAT CONSTRUCTION OF THE HIGHWAY IN TIBET, A REGION WITH A VERY COMPLICATED GEOLOGICAL STRUCTURE, IS A BREAKTHROUGH IN THE HISTORY OF CHINA'S ROAD CONSTRUCTION.

THE HIGHWAY WILL MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR VISITORS TO DRIVE FROM LHASA TO XIGAZE IN JUST FOUR HOURS, A QUITE REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT CONSIDERING THAT IN 1952 THE 10TH PANCHEN, ERDINI QOIGYI GYAINCAIN, SPENT 26 DAYS ON A TOUR FROM THE XIGAZE BASED ZHAXI LHUNBO LAMASERY TO LHASA.

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#90345h0075 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
RIO DE JANEIRO (DEC. 11) XINHUA - BRAZIL HOPES TO SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE

BILATERAL TRADE FOLLOWING THE VISIT HERE OF AN ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL MISSION FROM IRAN.

THE LOCAL PRESS REPORTED TODAY THAT DURING BRAZILIAN INFRASTRUCTURE MINISTER OZIRES SILVA'S VISIT TO IRAN LAST MONTH, THE IRANI GOVERNMENT MADE A COMMITMENT TO PURCHASE 12 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS WORTH OF BRAZILIAN PRODUCTS OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

IRANI PETROLEUM VICE-MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL MEHDI KARBASSIAN ARRIVED IN BRAZIL MONDAY TO SIGN THE TRADE AGREEMENTS. THE IRANI ARE INTERESTED IN BRAZILIAN EQUIPMENTS FOR OIL EXPLORATION, TAPPING AND REFINING, IN THE STEEL AND METAL INDUSTRIES AND IN BRAZILIAN SUGAR CANE PROCESSING TECHNOLOGY.

IRAN IS BRAZIL'S THIRD OIL SUPPLIER, AND ITS CHOOSING OF THE SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRY AS A PARTNER FOR ITS NATIONAL RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM HAS CAUSED GREAT EXPECTATIONS HERE SINCE IRAN WILL NEED PLENTY OF EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY, ESPECIALLY FOR OFFSHORE PETROLEUM EXPLORATION AND TAPPING.

-30- 1168

#90345h0081 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (DEC. 11) XINHUA - HONG KONG CUSTOMS OFFICERS TODAY BROKE UP A SYNDICATE INVOLVED IN MANUFACTURING AND DISTRIBUTING COUNTERFEIT WATCHES AND SPARE PARTS HERE.

THEY SEIZED A TOTAL OF 1,500 WATCHES AND A LARGE QUANTITY OF VARIOUS SPARE PARTS, INCLUDING WATCH DIALS, BUCKLES AND STRAPS BEARING VARIOUS FORGED SWISS AND FRENCH TRADEMARKS FOLLOWING A MONTH OF INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION.

THE TOTAL VALUE OF THE SEIZURE IS ABOUT ONE MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (128,205 U.S. DOLLARS).

IT IS BELIEVED THAT ALL THE FAKE WATCHES WERE INTENDED FOR DISTRIBUTION TO UNDERGROUND RETAIL OUTLETS AT TOURIST CENTERS IN TSIM SHA TSUI AND YAU MA TEI, KOWLOON.

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#90345h0089 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

QUITO (DEC. 11) XINHUA - ECUADORAN POLICE DISMANTLED A POWERFUL GANG OF DRUG TRAFFICKERS, SEIZING 230 KILOS OF COCAINE, ACTING INTERIOR MINISTER LUIS FELIX ANNOUNCED MONDAY.

POLICE ALSO CAPTURED ONE OF THE GANG LEADERS, CARLOS LUIS EMMANUEL TOGETHER WITH FIVE OTHER TRAFFICKERS WHILE THE OTHER CHIEF, JOSE ANTONIO MATTA MANAGED TO ESCAPE.

THE DRUG WHICH WAS CONFISCATED IN THE MANABI PROVINCE WAS ABOUT TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE UNITED STATES.

FELIX STRESSED THAT THIS IS ONE OF THE LARGEST COCAINE SHIPMENTS SEIZED BY ECUADORAN POLICE IN RECENT TIMES.

POLICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF GENERAL GILBERTO MOLINA, SAID THAT INVSTIGATIONS CONTINUE ON THE CASE.

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#90345h0090 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

PANAMA CITY (DEC. 11) XINHUA - THE GUATEMALAN FOREIGN MINISTRY TODAY REQUESTED THE PANAMANIAN AUTHORITIES TO GIVE SAFEGUARD TO THREE PANAMANIAN OFFICERS WHO HAVE SOUGHT THE PROTECTION OF THE GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENT.

CAPTAIN RAFAEL JURADO AND SUB-LIEUTENANTS CARLOS ALBERTO RUMBO AND DARIO CABEZAS WERE INVOLVED IN THE RECENT REBELLION HEADED BY FORMER CHIEF OF POLICE EDUARDO HERRERA AGAINST PRESIDENT ENDARA'S GOVERNMENT.

GUATEMALAN FOREIGN MINISTER ARIEL RIVERA INFORMED HERE TODAY THAT THE THREE PANAMANIAN OFFICERS WHO SOUGHT ASYLUM IN THE GUATEMALAN EMABSSY IN PANAMA ON DECEMBER 7 COULD PROCEED TO GUATEMALA OR TO ANOTHER COUNTRY OF THEIR CHOOSING.

HOWEVER, THE PANAMANIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS NOT YET STATED ITS DECISION ON THE SAFEGUARD REQUEST.

ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL SOURCES, THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINSITRY WILL ASK THE PROCURATOR GENERAL'S OFFICE AND THE INTERIOR AND JUSTICE MINISTRY FOR A REPORT ON THE SITUATION OF THE REBEL POLICE OFFICERS.

-30- 1153

#90345h0106 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 11) XINHUA - MORE THAN 165,000 NIGERIANS HAVE BEEN KILLED IN ROAD ACCIDENTS IN THE COUNTRY DURING THE PAST 30 YEARS, THE NIGERIAN FEDERAL ROAD SAFETY COMMISSION HAS ANNOUNCED.

OPENING THE SECOND NATIONAL ROAD SAFETY WEEK IN MINNA YESTERDAY, A HIGH OFFICIAL OF THE COMMISSION, MR. AYODEJI OYEDOKUN, ALSO SAID THAT 560,000 OTHER NIGERIANS WERE INJURED IN ROAD ACCIDENTS NATIONWIDE IN THE SAME PERIOD.

HE DESCRIBED THE HIGH RATE OF DEATHS AND INJURY AS ALARMING, CALLING FOR CO-OPERATION OF ALL NIGERIANS TO REDUCE THE RATE.

HIGHLIGHTS OF ACTIVITIES MARKING THE SAFETY WEEK INCLUDE PUBLIC EDUCATION ON THE NEED TO MAINTAIN VEHICLES PROPERLY, VEHICLE INSPECTION ON HIGHWAYS AND IMPOUNDING UNWORTHY VEHICLES.

THE FIRST ROAD SAFETY WEEK WAS HELD LATE LAST YEAR WITH THE THEME "PHYSICAL AND MENTAL ALERTNESS FOR ROAD SURVIVAL."

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#90345h0109 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ALGIERS (DEC. 11) XINHUA - ALGERIAN PRESIDENT CHADLI BENDJEDID LEFT HERE TODAY FOR THE JORDANIAN CAPITAL OF AMMAN, THE FIRST LEG OF A TOUR THAT WILL TAKE HIM TO SEVERAL ARAB STATES.

LOCAL RADIO REPORTS SAID BENDJEDID WILL CONSULT WITH HIS COUNTERPARTS IN THE REGION ON EFFORTS AIMED AT REACHING A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE GULF CRISIS "IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF ALL THE PEOPLES OF THE REGION AND THE SUPREME INTERESTS OF THE ARAB NATION."

BENDJEDID, WHO CURRENTLY CHAIRS THE ARAB MAGHREB UNION, HAD TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS MONDAY WITH THE LEADERS OF THE UNION'S MEMBER STATES TO EXCHANGE VIEWS AND COORDINATE POSITIONS OVER THE GULF CRISIS.

THE ARAB MAGHREB UNION GROUPS MOROCCO, TUNISIA, LIBYA, MAURITANIA AND ALGERIA.

-30- 891

#90345h0111 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KAMPALA (DEC. 11) XINHUA - THE LIBYAN GOVERNMENT IS TO EXTEND A 130 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR LOAN TO UGANDA.

THE CEREMONY OF EXCHANGING VERIFICATION DOCUMENTS TOOK PLACE HERE TODAY BETWEEN UGANDAN FINANCE MINISTER CRISPUS KIYONGA AND LIBYAN AMBASSADOR TO UGANDA MR. ABDALLA BIYELDIN.

ACCORDING TO AN AGREEMENT SIGNED RECENTLY IN TRIPOLI, THE CAPITAL OF LIBYA, BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS, THE LOAN WILL BE USED TO HELP UGANDA IN ITS REHABILITATION PROGRAM.

THE UGANDAN MINISTER SAID THAT THE LOAN WAS THE BIGGEST SINGLE CONTRIBUTION FROM A BILATERAL DONOR IN ONE YEAR.

THE LIBYAN AMBASSADOR SAID IT WAS LIBYA'S DUTY TO HELP FRIENDS TO DEVELOP THEIR ECONOMIES TO THE LEVEL OF SELF-RELIANCE.

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#90345h0146 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TIANJIN (DEC. 12) XINHUA - THE LARGEST SHORT-WAVE RECEIVING STATION EVER CONSTRUCTED IN CHINA BEGAN OPERATION THIS WEEK IN THE BOHAI OILFIELD.

THE STATION WHICH WAS IMPORTED FROM BRITAIN INCLUDES 14 TRANSMITTERS, 12 RECEIVERS, FIVE TELEPRINTERS, TWO FACSIMILE PRINTERS, 10 TELEPHONE REPEATERS, TWO MICROWAVE REPEATERS AND 14 ANTENNAE.

THE PROGRAM-CONTROLLED STATION CAN CONNECT WITH ALL OFFSHORE OIL PLATFORMS AND POWER OPERATED SHIPS THROUGH 19 NETWORKS.

OPERATION OF THE STATION WILL FACILITATE ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE BOHAI OILFIELD AND ITS OVERSEAS COUNTERPARTS, SAID AN OILFIELD OFFICIAL.

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#90345h0165 12/11/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

PANAMA CITY (DEC. 11) XINHUA - AUTHORITIES DETAINED OR DISMISSED 22 PANAMANIAN POLICE OFFICERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN A COUP ATTEMPT HEADED BY FORMER POLICE CHIEF EDUARDO HERRERA AGAINST PRESIDENT ENDARA'S GOVERNMENT.

POLICE CHIEF EBRAHIM ASVAT MONDAY DISCLOSED THE NAMES OF THE DETAINED OFFICERS AMONG WHICH ARE ONE MAJOR, 6 CAPTAINS, 6 LIEUTENANTS, 5 SECOND LIEUTENANTS AND SARGENT ERASMO MARCIAGA WHO WAS IN THE HELICOPTER WHICH RESCUED HERRERA FROM THE NAOS ISLAND JAIL.

ASVAT SAID THAT POLICE IS CURRENTLY CARRYING OUT OPERATIONS TO CAPTURE THE FUGITIVE REBELS.

HE ALSO CALLED ON PANAMANIAN POLICE OFFICERS WHO HAVE SOUGHT ASYLUM IN THE GUATEMALAN EMBASSY TO SURRENDER.

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Face to Face With Connie Chung December 10, 1990 (Transcript #45)

Twice Raped? (Victims of rape cannot learn if they have been infected with the AIDS virus because it violates the rapists' constitutional right to privacy); Bruce Willis (Actor Bruce Willis talks about his success, his career and his personal life); Breast Implants -- Dangerous Devices? (Some women who have received breast implants have learned that these implants can break down and the silicone in them can leak into a woman's body, releasing toxins and

causing serious illness).

Nightline (ABC) December 10, 1990 (Transcript #2491)

Hostages Coming Home From Iraq and Kuwait: Two former hostages describe life in hiding in Kuwait, assisted by the Kuwaiti resistance, and life at the U.S. embassy in Kuwait City, as well as atrocities against Kuwaities, Iraqi morale and coming home.

Crossfire (CNN) December 10, 1990 (Transcript #200)

Is Retreat Enough?: Former U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. Jeane Kirkpatrick and former U.S. diplomat to Iraq Marshall Wiley discuss the call from a committee of Americans for the U.S. to demand Iraq's disarmament in any settlement.

Larry King Live (CNN) December 10, 1990 (Transcript #188)

Geraldo Rivera -- Back From the Persian Gulf: Journalist and talk show host Geraldo Rivera discusses his recent trip to Saudi Arabia to visit American and allied forces there); Released Hostage Richard Anderton Speaks Out (Just released from the American Embassy in Kuwait, Richard Anderton tells of his experiences and discusses his feelings about the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait); Jackie Mason -- Brand New (Comic Jackie Mason talks about his new Broadway show and about his new book How to Talk Jewish).

American Experience (WGBH) December 10, 1990 (Transcript #310)

French Dance Tonight: An abridged version of the Brazos film J'ai Ete au Bal (I Went to the Dance), about Louisiana's Cajun and Zydeco music and their origins in Celtic, African and European culture.

Good Morning America (ABC) December 10, 1990 (Transcript #1171)

Connaly's hostage mission; Jimmy Carter; Tree People; hostage release; Cher; Jeane Kirkpatrick; Dial-a-Quiz; gift plants; intergenerational music; Cathy Rigby.

Geraldo December 10, 1990 (Transcript #843)

When Adultery Becomes a Family Affair: Mothers and daughters discuss the pain they've suffered after learning that one of them was having an affair with the other's husband and how it has affected their relationship.

Donahue December 10, 1990 (Transcript #3095)

Arizona's Rejection of King Holiday -- Both Sides: Spokesmen for both sides of the debate argue their points and concerns on having an official state holiday honoring Martin Luther King Jr., from national image to economics.

Sally Jessy Raphael December 10, 1990 (Transcript #591)

Baldies: Bald men discuss their outlook on being hairless. They say they feel good about themselves and that beauty comes from within. Guests include Joe Garagiola, Al Roker and Bernie Siegel.

Oprah Winfrey Show December 10, 1990 (Transcript #1107)

The Smart Woman's Guide to Men: Women who have gotten smart after some awful relationships with men tell their stories and share their tips. Steven Carter and Julia Sokol, authors of What Smart Women Need to Know, join the panel.

Tuesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Looking for Love Sally Jessy Raphael: My Daughter Was Raped and Murdered Geraldo: Love, Murder and Escape - Most Depraved Killers Oprah Winfrey: Men Sound Off About Women

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#90345k0018 12/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 11) KYODO - NEW PRIVATE-SECTOR ORDERS FOR MACHINERY RECEIVED IN OCTOBER BY JAPANESE MANUFACTURERS DROPPED 7.6 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH, THE ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY REPORTED TUESDAY.

NEW PRIVATE ORDERS, ADJUSTED FOR SEASONAL VARIATIONS, TOTALED 1,028.4 BILLION YEN IN OCTOBER, UP 4.7 PERCENT FROM A YEAR BEFORE, IT SAID.

THE TOTAL EXCLUDED ORDERS FOR VESSELS AND THOSE FROM THE ELECTRIC POWER INDUSTRY, BOTH OF WHICH TEND TO SWING WIDELY.

OVERALL PRIVATE-SECTOR MACHINERY ORDERS WITH THE TWO CATEGORIES INCLUDED, REGARDED AS A LEADING INDICATOR OF BUSINESS CAPITAL SPENDING, FELL 2.5 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH TO 1,159 BILLION YEN.

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#90345k0033 12/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 11) KYODO - JAPAN AND GERMANY WILL HOLD AVIATION TALKS HERE THIS WEEK TO OPEN AN AIR ROUTE BETWEEN NARITA AIRPORT IN CHIBA PREFECTURE AND BERLIN, TRANSPORT MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID TUESDAY.

THE TALKS WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY. JAPAN AIRLINES AND ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS HAVE BEEN REQUESTING TO FLY DIRECTLY TO BERLIN STARTING NEXT SPRING, WHILE LUFTHANSA GERMAN AIRLINES IS SEEKING TO LAUNCH ITS FIRST FLIGHT ON THE ROUTE BEFORE THE END OF THIS YEAR, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

IT WILL THE FIRST TIME FOR THE TWO SIDES TO DISCUSS THE MATTER IN A CONCRETE MANNER SINCE THE GERMAN UNIFICATION ON OCTOBER 3, THEY SAID.

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#90345k0067 12/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
HANOI (DEC. 11) KYODO - PREMIER HUN SEN OF CAMBODIA'S VIETNAM-BACKED GOVERNMENT ON TUESDAY MADE AN UNOFFICIAL VISIT TO HANOI, INFORMED SOURCES IN HANOI SAID.

IT WAS NOT IMMEDIATELY KNOWN HOW LONG HUN SEN WILL STAY IN HANOI. HE IS LIKELY TO HAVE TALKS WITH VIETNAMESE PREMIER DO MUOI AND OTHER NATIONAL LEADERS DURING HIS STAY IN THE VIETNAMESE CAPITAL, OBSERVERS SAID. THE SOURCES SAID HE CAME TO HANOI TO RECEIVE A MASTER'S DEGREE FOR HIS THESIS IN PHILOSOPHY IN A CEREMONY AT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

CHINESE PREMIER LI PENG IS SCHEDULED TO VISIT LAOS ON SATURDAY, THE FIRST VISIT TO LAOS BY A TOP-LEVEL CHINESE LEADER SINCE CHINA INVADED VIETNAM IN FEBRUARY 1979.

OBSERVERS IN HANOI SAID PREMIER LI MAY POSSIBLY HAVE TALKS WITH VIETNAMESE PREMIER DO MUOI IN VIENTIANE.

THE OBSERVERS SAID THAT THE MAIN PURPOSE OF HUN SEN'S SURPRISE VISIT TO HANOI MAY BE TO DISCUSS THE THORNY ISSUE OF THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF AN INTERIM SUPREME NATIONAL COUNCIL (SNC) BY THE FOUR RIVAL CAMBODIAN FACTIONS PRIOR TO LI PENG'S SCHEDULED VISIT TO VIENTIANE.

THE FOUR WARRING FACTIONS HAVE BEEN DEADLOCKED OVER THE QUESTION OF ADDING A CHAIRMAN TO THE ORIGINAL 12-MEMBER FORMULA IN FORMING THE SUPREME NATIONAL COUNCIL.

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TOKYO (DEC. 11) KYODO - IDEMITSU PETROCHEMICAL CO. SAID TUESDAY IT WILL INVEST ABOUT 5 BILLION YEN TO EXPAND A PETROCHEMICAL FACTORY IN JOHOR,

MALAYSIA, TO MEET GROWING DEMAND FOR POLYSTYRENE IN THE COUNTRY.

THE COMPANY SAID THE EXPANSION PROGRAM, TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY ITS AFFILIATE PETROCHEMICALS MALAYSIA SDN BHD, CALLS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A FACILITY WITH 60,000 TONS OF POLYSTYRENE A YEAR.

THE NEW FACTORY WILL START OPERATING IN DECEMBER 1992. COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID DEMAND FOR THE CHEMICAL HAS SOARED AS A RESULT OF SWIFT DEVELOPMENT OF THE DOMESTIC HOME APPLIANCES INDUSTRY.

THE CHEMICAL IS USED FOR THE EXTERIOR OF TELEVISION SETS AND RADIO CASSETTES, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

POLYSTYRENE PRODUCTION CAPACITY IN MALAYSIA NOW IS ESTIMATED AT 36,000 TONS, WITH PETROCHEMICALS MALAYSIA ACCOUNTING FOR 30,000 TONS.

DEMAND FOR POLYSTYRENE IN THE COUNTRY IS EXPECTED TO GROW TO 70,000 TONS A YEAR BY THE TIME THE NEW PLANT STARTS OPERATION, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

PETROCHEMICALS MALAYSIA, ESTABLISHED IN 1972, IS 49 PERCENT OWNED BY IDEMITSU AND SUMITOMO CORP., AND 51 PERCENT BY MALAYSIAN PARTNERS.

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TOKYO (DEC. 11) KYODO - TOSHIBA CORP., A MAJOR JAPANESE ELECTRIC MACHINERY MAKER, ANNOUNCED TUESDAY IT WILL SET UP A CENTER IN CAMBRIDGE, ENGLAND, TO CONDUCT BASIC RESEARCH IN SEMICONDUCTOR PHYSICS.

TOSHIBA CAMBRIDGE RESEARCH CENTER LTD. (TCRC), CAPITALIZED AT 600,000 POUNDS, WILL BE FUNDED ENTIRELY BY TOSHIBA.

THROUGH THE CREATION OF THE RESEARCH CENTER, WHICH WILL BE PRIMARILY STAFFED BY EUROPEAN MICROCHIP RESEARCHERS, TOSHIBA HOPES TO BRING ABOUT GREATER COOPERATION BETWEEN JAPANESE AND EUROPEAN RESEARCHERS.

THE CENTER WILL BE HEADED BY MICHAEL PEPPER, PROFESSOR OF PHYSICS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE AND FELLOW OF TRINITY COLLEGE.

PEPPER JOINED THE CAVENDISH LABORATORY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE IN 1973 AND IN 1987 WAS APPOINTED PROFESSOR OF PHYSICS AT THE UNIVERSITY, WHERE HE ALSO HEADS THE SEMICONDUCTOR PHYSICS GROUP.

THE CENTER WILL INITIALLY BE STAFFED BY 10 YOUNG BRITISH SCHOLARS.

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SAPPORO (DEC. 11) KYODO - UCHIYAMA TATEMONO INC. SAID MONDAY IT HAS BOUGHT A RESORT LODGE IN ALASKA FOR 3.5 MILLION DOLLARS.

THE SAPPORO-BASED REAL ESTATE FIRM SAID IT PURCHASED THE GOLDEN HORN LODGE LOCATED ON THE SHORE OF LAKE MIKCHALK IN WOODTIKCHIK NATIONAL PARK, SOUTHWEST ALASKA.

THE 20,000-SQUARE-METER FACILITY CONTAINS TWO LODGES. UCHIYAMA BOUGHT THE RESORT FROM A PRIVATE OWNER THROUGH ALASKA INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRY OF THE UNITED STATES. UCHIYAMA EXPECTS TO ESTABLISH A JOINT VENTURE WITH THE AMERICAN COMPANY TO HANDLE OPERATIONS OF THE LODGES, OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90345k0080 12/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 11) KYODO - TWO MAJOR JAPANESE FOOD PROCESSING FIRMS SAID TUESDAY THEY WILL SOON START EXPORTING INSTANT CUP NOODLES TO THE SOVIET UNION AND EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

BOTH COMPANIES SAID THEY REGARD THE SOCIALIST NATIONS AS A PROMISING MARKET IN THE FUTURE.

TOYO SUISAN KAISHA LTD. SAID THE INITIAL CONSIGNMENT OF 200,000 PACKS OF CUP NOODLE MANUFACTURED BY ITS U.S. SUBSIDIARY MARUCHAN INC. OF LOS ANGELES WILL BE SHIPPED TO THE SOVIET UNION AND EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES BEFORE THE YEAR-END.

SHIPMENTS WILL BE CONTINUED NEXT YEAR AND THE VOLUME RAISED TO 15 MILLION PACKS IN 1992, THE COMPANY SAID.

THE COMPANY ALSO SAID IT PLANS TO EXPAND PRODUCTION LINES AT THE U.S. SUBSIDIARY IN THE FUTURE TO INCREASE EXPORTS TO THE SOVIET UNION TO ABOUT 80 MILLION PACKS.

NISSIN FOOD PRODUCTS CO. SAID ITS JOINT VENTURE IN INDIA WILL HANDLE EXPORTS TO THE SOVIET UNION AND EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, STARTING EARLY NEXT YEAR.

THE VENTURE, INDO NISSIN FOOD, ESTABLISHED IN 1989, WILL USE SALES OUTLETS OF ITS PARTNER, BRITISH TEA MAKER BROOK BOND GROUP PLC, THE COMPANY SAID.

THE COMPANY SAID IT PLANS TO EXPORT FIVE MILLION PACKS IN THE INITIAL YEAR WITH THE VOLUME BOOSTED TO 10 MILLION PACKS IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

INSTANT NOODLE, KNOWN AS RAMEN, HAS GAINED POPULARITY OVERSEAS. ITS ANNUAL SALES IN JAPAN AMOUNT TO ABOUT 4.6 BILLION PACKS.

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TOKYO (DEC. 11) KYODO - THE NUMBER OF CAR TELEPHONES CURRENTLY IN USE ACROSS JAPAN NOW TOTALS 502,000 UNITS, NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. (NTT) REPORTED TUESDAY.

NTT SAID THE NUMBER OF AUTOMOBILE PHONES AMOUNTED TO 239,000 AT THE END OF 1989.

THE GIANT DOMESTIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY STARTED THE CAR TELEPHONE SERVICE IN 1979.

THE COMPANY ATTRIBUTED THE SWIFT GROWTH IN THE USE OF CAR TELEPHONES TO THE START OF PORTABLE PHONE SERVICE THREE YEARS AGO AND INTENSIFYING COMPETITION AMONG AUTO AND PORTABLE TELEPHONE MAKERS.

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#90345k0084 12/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 11) KYODO - A DEPUTY OF RUSSIAN PRESIDENT BORIS YELTSIN WILL VISIT JAPAN ON DECEMBER 18, FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCES CONFIRMED TUESDAY.

RUSSIAN FIRST VICE PRESIDENT RUSLAN KHASBULATOV WILL VISIT JAPAN NEXT TUESDAY FOR AN EIGHT-DAY STAY AT THE INVITATION OF THE RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY THEY SAID.

KHASBULATOV WILL BECOME THE HIGHEST-LEVEL RUSSIAN OFFICIAL TO VISIT JAPAN SINCE THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, THE LARGEST OF THE 15 SOVIET REPUBLICS, DECLARED ITS AUTONOMY EARLIER THIS YEAR.

THE VISIT FOLLOWS REPORTS THAT RUSSIAN FEDERATION REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE KREMILIN'S DIALOGUE WITH JAPAN OVER FOUR DISPUTED ISLANDS ON THE FEDERATION'S EASTERN PERIPHERY THAT WERE ACQUIRED BY THE SOVIETS AT THE END OF WORLD WAR II.

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#90345k0093 12/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 11) KYODO - RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP) SECRETARY GENERAL ICHIRO OZAWA MAY MEET PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU THIS WEEK TO DISCUSS A POSSIBLE CABINET RESHUFFLE, PARTY SOURCES SAID TUESDAY.

OZAWA MET TUESDAY WITH OFFICIALS OF THE FIVE LDP FACTIONS AT THE PARTY'S HEADQUARTERS AND HEARD THEIR VIEWS REGARDING THE NEED FOR CHANGES IN THE CABINET LINEUP.

OZAWA TOLD FACTION OFFICIALS THAT HE PLANS TO MEET THE PRIME MINISTER IN THE NEAR FUTURE AND WILL CONVEY THEIR SENTIMENTS AT THAT TIME. HE ADDED KAIFU IS EAGER TO TACKLE PENDING DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL ISSUES, LDP SOURCES SAID.

KOZO WATANABE FROM THE FACTION LED BY FORMER PRIME MINISTER NOBORU TAKESHITA, HIROSHI MITSUZUKA OF FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER SHINTARO ABE'S FACTION AND TOSHIO YAMAGUCHI OF FORMER FINANCE MINISTER MICHIO WATANABE'S FACTION WERE AMONG THOSE WHO MET OZAWA. THE THREE REITERATED THEIR BELIEF THAT A CONSENSUS EXISTS WITHIN THE PARTY REGARDING THE NEED FOR A CABINET RESHUFFLE BEFORE THE YEAR IS OUT. THEY ALSO RECOMMENDED THAT CHANGES BE MADE IN OTHER PARTY POSTS, LDP SOURCES SAID.

SHIGERU KASUYA, REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FACTION LED BY FORMER DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER KIICHI MIYAZAWA, WHICH HAS BEEN CAUTIOUS ON THE TOPIC, TOLD OZAWA THE FACTION WOULD FOLLOW THE MAJORITY'S OPINION.

FACTION OFFICIALS SAID THEY EXPECT OZAWA TO MEET KAIFU DECEMBER 17 OR 18, WHEN THE SUPPLEMENTARY NATIONAL BUDGET BILL IS LIKELY TO PASS THE DIET. BUT A SENIOR LDP OFFICIAL INDICATED THE MEETING COULD TAKE PLACE THIS WEEK IF OZAWA DEEMS IT NECESSARY.

REPRESENTATIVE TETSUO KONDO OF THE SMALL FACTION LED BY FORMER STATE MINISTER TOSHIO KOMOTO, TO WHICH KAIFU BELONGS, SAID THE DECISION REGARDING A CABINET RESHUFFLE SHOULD BE LEFT SOLELY TO THE PRIME MINISTER.

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#90345k0105 12/11/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KARACHI, PAKISTAN (DEC. 12) KYODO - PAKISTAN'S PRIME MINISTER NAWAZ SHARIF DECLARED AT A MAMMOTH PUBLIC MEETING IN THE PORT CITY OF KARACHI ON TUESDAY THAT PAKISTAN IS READY TO PAY ANY PRICE FOR ITS NUCLEAR PROGRAM AND WILL NEVER YIELD TO PRESSURE TO DISCONTINUE THE PROGRAM.

THE DECLARATION WAS LATEST IN A SERIES OF DENUNCIATIONS BY GOVERNMENT LEADERS DURING THE PAST WEEK OF THE SUSPENSION OF MILITARY AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO PAKISTAN BY THE UNITED STATES, WHICH SAID PAKISTAN IS ENGAGED IN THE MANUFACTURE OF A NUCLEAR DEVICE.

SHARIF TOLD THE MEETING THAT CERTAIN COUNTRIES HAVE OFFERED SIZABLE ECONOMIC AID TO PAKISTAN IF IT WOULD ACCEPT RESTRICTIONS ON ITS NUCLEAR PROGRAM, BUT THE GOVERNMENT HAS REJECTED THE OFFERS.

''WE WANT TO LIVE AS A SELF RESPECTING NATION. THE POLICY OF DEPENDING ON AID AND CHARITY SHOULD BE SHUNNED,'' HE SAID.

HE ASKED THE PEOPLE TO BE READY TO MAKE SACRIFICES AND LEAD SIMPLE AND AUSTERE LIVES.

PRESIDENT GHULAM ISHAQ KHAN HAD ALSO ASKED THE NATION MONDAY TO ''PUT SOME LEAD INTO THEIR KNEES TO STAND ON THEIR OWN FEET'' TO DO AWAY WITH THE AGONY OF LIVING ''AT THE MERCY OF SHIFTING MOODS AND CHANGING PRIORITIES OF THOSE WHO WERE SELDOM BOTHERED BY THE QUALMS OF CONSCIENCE IN DEMANDING THEIR POUND

OF FLESH.''

THE UNITED STATES WANTS PAKISTAN TO OPEN ALL ITS NUCLEAR FACILITIES TO INTERNATIONAL INSPECTION, BUT IT HAS REFUSED TO DO SO UNLESS INDIA ALSO AGREES TO DO THE SAME.

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#90345m0001 12/11/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 11) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei posts its fifth straight gain, adding 172 points. ... In London the FTSE is up 6.5 points in the early afternoon. ... The rally continues in bonds - the long Treasury is up 4/32nds with the yield down to 8.11%. ... No trend is apparent in the dollar this morning. ... Crude oil is little changed at $27.83, off seven cents in overseas trading. ... LONE STAR INDUSTRIES filed bankruptcy proceedings yesterday. ... SECURITY PACIFIC CORP. in Los Angeles says it is setting aside $850 million to cover bad loans in a signal the problems hitting East Coast banks are showing up in California. ... AT&T easily lines up commitments for $6 billion in bank loans to finance its hostile bid for NCR. ... U.S. TRADE REPRESENTATIVE CARLA HILLS says there is only a 25% chance of reviving free-trade talks that collapsed last week. ... NORTHWEST AIRLINES announces plans to acquire 25% of HAWAIIAN AIRLINES as part of a $20 million deal that will let Northwest fly the Hawaiian carrier's Australian route. ... FORD says it is virtually eliminating rebates and low-interest financing, switching to dealer payments to help sell cars and trucks. claims pending against EAGLE-PICHER INDUSTRIES.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

By early 1992, "USA Today" will market its own line of casual wear. Parent company GANNET stock fell 1/4 on the news to 35 3/4.

FROM THE BULLS:

STEVEN SHOBIN at MERRILL-LYNCH says he feels "this interim bear market rally is still intact and healthy. ... The chance of a long- lasting collapse ... is minimal. Over time ... we are going to be very vulnerable, but not now." He looks for "a week or two of consolidation and then I think we'll rally into the early part of January and then I look for a little bit of a January correction, followed by a second wave on the upside." He sees more vulnerability after the end of the first quarter. "I think the longer term trend is still down, but the intermediate rally has more to go" -- perhaps to 2750 or 2800 on the Dow. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/10)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I think we are in the midst of a bear market rally and they can be very confusing," says GAIL DUDACK of S.G. WARBURG & CO. "Bear market rallies are typically very dramatic. They have good breath. They typically have much better volume than what you had been seeing earlier in the bear market and they are great foolers." Ms. Dudack believes this rally has actually been rather weak. "One of the reasons I stay relatively negative on the market is that I think that it is pretty clear that we are in a recession and in a bear market, and I've never seen a cycle end where we've seen some of the key leadership stocks from the prior move - and I'm talking about the consumer growth sector - have such high relative P/E's relative to the market." Bear markets tend to narrow that spread and these consumer growth stocks will be the last ones to get in sync with the market. That needs to happen before the bear market ends, she says. (FNN "Midway Market Report", 12/10)

"There's another step down [for the market] that might take us closer to 2000 sometime in 1991," according to MERRILL LYNCH's ROBERT FARRELL. "I expect that you won't start a new bull market until the last half of the year." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/10)

STOCK MARKET:

Expectations of lower interest rates are "going to continue to be favorable for both the equity market and also the bond market as well," says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. But he says the reason for lower rates, a weaker economy, will also cause some problems. "We're going to get some bumps along the way with disappointments in individual stocks," according to Acuff. He says his firm is buying selected cyclical stocks. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/10)

"You hear a great deal of talk of the Fed easing monetary policy," says SURESH BHIRUD, chief market strategist for DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS, "but in the past week this market is starting to slow down dramatically and the rally has lost its momentum - particularly after IBM" fell 3 1/8 last Thursday on a weak earnings estimate. "Since then," he argues, "the perception is shifting that the Fed easing, even if there's some more, won't help because the economy is extremely weak and monetary growth is stagnant. Consequently, there'll be a great deal of focus on how bad earnings will be in the fourth quarter. What's changing is a shift back to fundamentals, how weak the economy is and how weak fourth-quarter corporate earnings could be." (NYT, 12/11)

"This continuing dichotomy between stocks and bonds is important in that it shows people as growing more fearful of corporate earnings problems during a recession," says MICHAEL METZ at OPPENHEIMER. PAUL KRONLOKKEN at PIPER JAFFRAY & HOPWOOD says, "I don't know exactly where the threshold is where a deep recession looms and bonds launch into a bull market while stocks are trashed. But we may be getting fairly close to that point." ("The Washington

Post", 12/11)

"Right now you're seeing the bright side of a weak economy, which is lower interest rates, and the glass most definitely looks half-full," says EDWARD KERSCHNER, chairman of the investment policy committee at PAINEWEBBER. "But by mid-January, you might see the darker side of a weak economy, which is weak earnings. At that point that same glass might look half-empty." Mr. Kerschner says the recent drop in rates has taken the interest-rate risk out of the stock market for the first time since the slide began in July. Neither short-term nor long-term rates are now so high as to make stocks unattractive. He cautions, however, that expectations for corporate profits are still too high and stocks remain vulnerable to earnings risk. He doesn't believe the bear market has hit bottom yet. (WSJ, 12/11)

ALAN BOND, portfolio manager for W.R. LAZARD & CO., is a bit cautious on the market at the moment expecting the sluggishness in the economy to continue for awhile longer. "As the volume starts to improve [and] we start seeing more stocks hitting new highs, fewer hitting new lows, there starts to be more interest in the stock market. That bodes very well for a goal of 2700 by year end." (CNBC "The Moneywheel", 12/10)

Stocks have been listless because "you have the possibility of lower interest rates, ... but on the other hand you have this situation in the Persian Gulf," according to HILDEGARD ZAGORSKI of PRUDENTIAL- BACHE SECURITIES INC. She says the market, with the exception of a few "shakeouts," should continue to move up, short-term, and in the longer-term will enter a trading range between 2450-3050. ("Investor's Daily", 12/11)

STOCK TIPS:

PRUDENTIAL-BACHE analyst RALPH ACOMPORA told his clients that in the near term they should take profits in APPLE COMPUTER, which has risen nearly 30% in the past month. Orders for Apple's personal computers have exceeded expectations, but the company's revenue might be curbed in the near future because it doesn't yet have the supply to meet the demand, says PRUDENTIAL-BACHE computer analyst RICK MARTIN. Mr. Martin says shares in the company will remain vulnerable in the short term, but he expects it to be "a great stock" during the next year. (WSJ, 12/11)

The primary trend in stocks will remain bearish but the Dow should launch a secondary rise by year's end, says GERALDINE WEISS at "Investment Quality Trends." A "trend running counter to the primary trend can last for many months, even years," says Weiss. She likes depressed retail stocks such as SEARS, K-MART and J.C. PENNY. Also on her undervalued list are EMERSON ELECTRIC and HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL. (CNBC "World Business", 12/11)

"Until some obvious problems abate, no further significant rally is probable," say the editors at "United & Babson." However, with the Dow selling at around

11 times earnings, they believe there is a lot of good value around. They like some of the stronger airline stocks, including AMR, SOUTHWEST AIRLINES and U.S. AIR GROUP. (CNBC "World Business", 12/11)

"As investors start to focus less on the economic issues and more so on trying to find good companies to invest in for the long term" cash levels will start to decrease, says ALAN BOND, portfolio manager for W.R. LAZARD & CO. He says that as the market consolidates he is looking for companies that have good insights and that are in good businesses. "At the top of that list is U.S. SURGICAL" which has pioneered laproscopic surgical devices. "We like the medical industry. We like the drug industry and we are trying to reflect that to show a cautious, recessionary outlook. We are sticking with the food stocks: GENERAL MILLS and CPC on weakness. We still like the leadership we are seeing in technology and on the top of our list is COMPAQ." He sees his asset allocation moving from 50% equities to 60% equities by year's end with 35% to 45% in bonds and 5% in cash. (CNBC "The Moneywheel", 12/10)

Service industries will be 1991s hottest businesses, according to a survey by "Entrepreneur Magazine." "People are looking for convenience today - they have less time to spend and shop," says publisher JAMES FITZPATRICK, who looks for growth in both personal and business services. One hot new area will be recycling consulting. (CNBC "World Business", 12/11)

"The overwhelming majority of banks ... are adequately capitalized ... but there are some banks that are in trouble," says LAWRENCE LINDSEY, a special economic adviser to PRESIDENT BUSH. The New England banks face some very serious difficulties and "there is a good chance that one will fail there," according to Lindsey. ("Investor's Daily", 12/11)

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WABASH, IN (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Shirt Shed, Inc. (NASDAQ: SHRT), a leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of imprinted and leisure apparel, today reported first quarter sales and earnings for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Sales in the first quarter totaled $19,649,000, up 39 percent from $14,132,000 in the same period last year. Net income totaled $624,000, or $.09 per share, 2 percent higher than the $610,000, or $.10 per share realized in the first quarter last year.

Earnings were impacted by increased interest expense and an increase in the accounts receivable reserve due to the forecasted weak economy.

The investment firm of Walsh Greenwood and its affiliates including Signal Apparel, Inc. own shares and warrants which if fully converted will increase Walsh Greenwood's stake in Shirt Shed to 3.76 million shares of outstanding

common stock, on a fully diluted basis. In addition to these holdings, Signal holds a $6 million subordinated note which is, upon shareholder approval, convertible into shares of Shirt Shed's preferred or common stock.

Signal Apparel, an affiliate of Walsh Greenwood, is in discussions with Shirt Shed about the proposed acquisition of all remaining common stock for $4 a share.

THE SHIRT SHED, INC.
STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Unaudited - In thousands, except per share)
FOR THE QUARTER ENDED

	October 31, 1990	October 28, 1989
Net Sales	$19,649	$14,132
Gross Profit	4,314	2,931
Operating Income	1,467	1,014
Income before Income Taxes	644	618
NET INCOME	$624	$610
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE	Primary - Shares used in	
calculations	6,995,421	6,776,222
Net Income	$ .09	$ .10
Fully Diluted - Shares used		
in calculation	9,909,112	7,612,383
Net Income	$ .08	$ .09

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MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Cray Research, Inc. (NYSE: CYR) announced today that the Australian Bureau of Meteorology, Australia's weather agency, has installed a CRAY X-MP 14/se system. This is the first installation for Cray Research at the Australian weather bureau. The supercomputer, which was installed in July 1990 at the bureau's headquarters in Melbourne, was officially commissioned by the Australian government at a ceremony in Melbourne today.

"Acquisition of the new supercomputer will enable the bureau to run global, rather than hemispheric, models of the atmosphere, leading to a steady improvement in the accuracy of our weather and climate forecasts," said Ros Kelly, Australia's environment minister.

Kelly added that the CRAY X-MP system has enabled the Australian weather bureau to, for the first time, run operational weather forecasts. Operational forecasting refers to the ability to do production forecasting, which provides timely and accurate weather predictions that are broadcast to the public.

To help the bureau use supercomputing in its operational and research projects prior to the installation of the CRAY X-MP system, Cray Research provided significant computer time on local and remote Cray Research systems for code conversion and system preparedness. Approximately four months after the Cray Research system was installed, the bureau was able to conduct global operational weather forecasting.

According to Kelly, the CRAY X-MP system significantly strengthens Australia's ability to take on its part in tackling global problems like the greenhouse effect, an issue outlined as a critical objective by the World Meteorological Organization (a network of worldwide agencies that together study atmospheric issues on a global basis).

Cray Research has 258 systems installed worldwide, with 17 systems dedicated to environmental research and weather forecasting. The company said the environmental arena has become one of its fastest growing areas of application.

Cray Research, Inc. designs, manufactures, markets, and supports large-scale, high-performance computer systems for scientific and engineering applications.

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CLEVELAND (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - National City Corporation (NYSE: NCC) said today that it expects 1990's earnings to fall below the record levels of 1989 by as much as 10 percent due to a higher provision for loan losses. At that level, 1990 would be the second best year in the company's history.

In spite of the anticipated decline, National City expects to report a return on equity ratio for the year of 15 percent and a return on assets above 1 percent. These would be among the best returns of major bank holding companies in the country.

"We are increasing our fourth quarter provision for loan losses by approximately $35 million. Over half of the increase is attributable to a single non-performing commercial loan. The balance reflects continued deterioration of the commercial real estate markets," said Edward B. Brandon, chairman and chief executive officer of National City Corporation.

Brandon added, "This decision is being driven by our internal loan review and is not at the request of bank regulators. The additional provision is consistent with management's focus on a strong conservative balance sheet.

"For 1991 we expect the quarterly provision for loan losses to return to

levels more comparable to the third quarter of 1990. However, greater than expected deterioration in the economy or commercial real estate markets could affect this outlook."

Profile of National City Corporation National City Corporation is a $23 billion bank holding company headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio. The corporation's principal banking units include National City Bank, Cleveland; BancOhio National Bank, Columbus; and First National Bank of Louisville. Other member banks include National City Bank, Akron; First National Bank and Gem Savings Association, Dayton; CommerceNational Bank, Lexington; and Ohio Citizens Bank, Toledo. National City also has 10 community banks serving cities and towns throughout Ohio, Kentucky and southern Indiana.

National City's subsidiaries and divisions offer a wide range of financial services, such as credit card, retail payment and airline ticket processing, trust and investment management, leasing, merchant and mortgage banking, venture capital, small business and community investment, and credit life insurance. These units include Franklinton Financial Services, National Processing Company, First Kentucky Trust Company, National City Trust Company, NCC Merchant Banking, National City Mortgage Company, W. Lyman Case & Company, National City Community Development Corporation, National City Life Insurance Company, National City Public Finance, NC Investments and National Asset Management Corporation.

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LAS VEGAS (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Silicon Graphics Inc. (NYSE: SGI) announced today that it has signed a strategic OEM agreement with Accelr8 Technology Corp. marking the launch of Silicon Graphics' VAX(tm) Integration Program. Targeted at existing VAX/VMS(r) network users who need access to high performance parallel RISC systems, the VAX Integration Program provides the tools to integrate Silicon Graphics' project supercomputers into a VAX network.

Under the terms of the agreement, Acceler8's VMS Transparency Software will be sold by Silicon Graphics. In addition, Silicon Graphics and Acceler8 have jointly produced a software program called 4D/SUBMIT(tm), which allows Silicon Graphics' line of project supercomputers to act as servers for VMS clients via DECNet(tm) or TCP/IP. The Silicon Graphics system will be able to run Digital Command Language (DCL) batch jobs submitted from the VAX network under VMS.

"This program focuses on our server capabilities. With the VAX Integration Program, we are providing VMS users access to the inherent power of Silicon Graphics' parallel RISC systems," commented Thomas Jermoluk, vice president

and general manager of Silicon Graphics Advanced Systems Division. "Our customers tell us that they can add one of our project supercomputers to their VAX environment for less than what they would spend on a VAX upgrade."

"Our VMS environment and migration tools combined with Silicon Graphics' systems provides the best UNIX(r) platform for VAX integration," stated Robert Hickler, president of Accelr8 Technology Corp. "We are very excited to be partnered with Silicon Graphics." Silicon Graphics' VAX Integration Program is making its debut with the introduction of products at DEXPO West '90 in Las Vegas. In addition to 4D/SUBMIT, Accelr8's VMS Transparency Software packages will be available from Silicon Graphics in March 1991. Prices for 4D/SUBMIT begin at $995.

Silicon Graphics Inc. is the leading manufacturer of high performance graphics systems, servers and software for visual processing applications. The company's products, which range from advanced project supercomputers to low-end desktop models and PC graphics subsystems, are used by engineers, scientists and creative professionals in design, analysis, manufacturing and simulation.

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#90345p1904 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Despite the current economic environment and business climate, plans to expand the number of General Motors (NYSE: GM) minority-owned and operated car and truck dealerships were jointly announced today by GM President Lloyd E. Reuss and Tony March, chairman of the GM Minority Dealer Advisory Council (MDAC).

"We intend to increase the total number of Black, Hispanic, Asian and American Indian dealers selling and servicing GM vehicles by 40 percent over the next three years," they said.

Reuss and March said GM and the MDAC are joining in the spirit of partnership to increase GM minority dealers in the U.S. from 192 in mid- 1990 to 268 by the end of 1993. The joint statement was finalized at the recent semi-annual meeting by GM management in Detroit and the 11-member MDAC, which represents all GM minority dealers. The MDAC members are: Ruben A. Baca, Baca Pontiac-Buick-GMC, Inc., Belen, N.M.; Edwin D. Biagas, Biagas Pontiac-Buick, Inc., Phoenixville, Pa.; James H. Bradley, Jim Bradley Pontiac-Cadillac-GMC, Ann Arbor, Mich.; William E. Gonzalez, Bill Gonzalez Buick, Inc., Burnsville, Minn.; Darrell R. Gordon, Gordon Buick, Inc., Philadelphia, Pa.; Charles H. Harrell, Harrell Chevrolet-Oldsmobile-Geo, Flat Rock, Mich.; Tony March, Tony March Buick, Inc., Hartford, Conn.; Cornelius A. Martin, Martin Oldsmobile-Cadillac, Inc., Bowling Green, Ky.; Jimmy R. McKay, McKay, Inc., Idabel, Okla.; Michael Padilla, Gateway Chevrolet Motor Co., La Mirada,

Calif.; Prat M. Parekh, Prat Buick, Inc., Detroit.

Reuss and March said that the GM Minority Dealer Steering Committee -- made up of representatives of the GM vehicle divisions, staffs, Motors Holding Division, GMAC, plus two GM minority dealers -- has been given added responsibility and resources.

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ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, ILL. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola's Pan American Cellular Subscriber Group has presented a unique cellular call handling system called Narrow Advanced Mobile Phone Services (NAMPS) to the cellular industry. NAMPS multiplies cellular capacity more than threefold. Robert N. Weisshappel, senior vice president and general manager of the Group, made the announcement at an industry forum held in Arlington Heights and hosted by the Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association (CTIA). The session was attended by over 150 representatives of cellular manufacturing and service provider companies.

Motorola's field testing is expected to begin in January 1991 on this technique, which matches the increased system capacity offered by digital Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) technology now under development by the Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA). If the testing proves successful, deployment during late 1991 is planned. The new technique allows for increased system call handling capacity, continued use of existing cellular portable and mobile telephones, and introduction of new models indistinguishable from current models in size, weight, power drain, and price. The trial is scheduled to be conducted with Centel Cellular in Las Vegas, Nev., one of the fastest growing and largest portable phone markets in the country, and in tests in Arlington Heights.

The Motorola technique reduces the amount of radio frequency spectrum required for cellular calls while maintaining original call quality.

NAMPS uses Narrow Channel-Frequency Division Multiple Access (NC-FDMA) technology. NC-FDMA employs sub-audible digital techniques to replace the supervisory signaling used to call management in today's cellular systems.

Motorola is one of the world's leading providers of electronics equipment, systems, components, and services for worldwide markets. Products include two-way radios, pagers, cellular telephone systems, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronic equipment, computers, data communications, and information processing and handling equipment.

Motorola is the world leader for cellular telephones, systems and services in use around the world. The company is the recipient of two Japanese quality awards -- the Nikkei Award and the MITI Award. Both are considered high honors for American companies doing business in Japan.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Nine of the World's largest cellular telephone equipment manufacturers have formally embraced the industry's timetable for preparing digital phone gear for market, the president of the Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association (CTIA) announced today.

Under the timetable, prototype digital equipment made by the nine will be tested and "validated" by March 31, 1991, meaning they hopefully will be in position to start up production lines later next year, said CTIA President Robert W. Maher.

The nine companies have built prototype phones or switching gear utilizing a digital technology known as TDMA -- Time Division Multiple Access. TDMA is the first, and so far the only, digital technique for which national cellular standards have been completed.

"We have exceeded our goal for vendor participation in this process, which we call 'commercial lockdown,'" Maher commented. "And just as importantly, we are hewing to the time schedule that was set out more than two years ago; i.e., make digital equipment available to the industry by 1991.

"These vendors are to be applauded for their support of the cellular industry's needs. We need the capacity that digital offers to better serve the American public."

The nine companies are Motorola, AT&T, Ericsson, Audiovox, Mitsubishi, NovAtel OKI telecom, Sony and Uniden.

Under the lockdown process, which CTIA administers, the nine are divided for testing purposes between switching system vendors and mobile telephone vendors. One of the key goals of lockdown is to ensure that all digital phones made by suppliers work properly with the digital switches made by other companies.

Motorola is the only company participating both as a system vendor and a mobile vendor. It is joined by AT&T and Ericsson on the system vendor side, while the other firms are mobile vendors.

Motorola passed a digital milestone last week, became the first of the nine

TDMA participants to clear a lockdown testing hurdle.

All cellular systems operating in the United States today utilize so-called analog technology. This transmission technique, similar to that used by commercial radio, has brought the American public the most sophisticated form of mobile communications ever developed.

But cellular's remarkable growth -- estimated at nearly 5 million subscribers in just seven years -- has put an enormous strain on systems in the largest markets. And digital TDMA offers a more efficient way to use scarce radio frequencies.

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STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Herbert Elish, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Weirton Steel Corporation (NYSE: WS) has been named chairman of Keep America Beautiful, Inc., KAB president Roger Powers announced today.

"We are delighted that the chief executive officer of Weirton Steel, one of KAB's leading supporters, will guide KAB over the next two years," said Powers.

"Mr. Elish brings hands-on solid waste experience, as former Commissioner of Sanitation and Administrator of the Environmental Protection Administration in New York City. His understanding of local decision-making in resolving environmental issues will be a valued asset to KAB and its local and state programs."

Elish has been chairman and CEO of Weirton Steel Corporation for three years. The company is the seventh largest steelmaker in the United States.

A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Williams College, Elish also earned the LL.B. degree from Harvard Law School. In 1971, he became the Commissioner of Sanitation of New York City. Later in 1973, he was administrator of the Environmental Protection Administration of the City of New York. Elish was asked by Governor Hugh Carey to become the first executive director of the Municipal Assistance Corporation in 1975.

He has held several senior positions in business and industry and has been on the board of directors and executive committee of Keep America Beautiful, Inc. since December 1987. He belongs to many other civic and professional organizations and is married and has three children.

Keep America Beautiful, Inc. is a national, nonprofit, public education

organization dedicated to improving waste handling practices in American communities. Founded in 1953 by the private sector, today KAB is supported by 300 companies and is guided by a National Advisory Council of 75 civic and professional organizations and 14 federal agencies. KAB and its 460 certified affiliated communities offer practical grassroots solutions to the nation's solid waste and litter issues.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Graphic Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: GRPH), a leading full service printing and graphic communications company, has declared a quarterly dividend of $.0175 per share of common stock payable on Jan. 9, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 20, 1990, Mark C. Pope III, chairman and chief executive officer announced.

Graphic's operating companies in 17 local markets provide corporate, commercial and financial printing, reprographic services, point-of-purchase materials, direct mail and educational services.

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#90345p1915 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD (DEC. 10) PR NEWSWIRE - Holiday letters are reaching U.S. servicemen and women stationed in the Persian Gulf in a couple of days thanks to a free electronic mail message program, "Letters From Home," sponsored by GE Information Services.

The "Letters From Home" Program provides family members and friends with the opportunity to send mail, via home computer and the on-line computer service GEnie, directly to the U.S. Armed Forces in the Middle East.

"Our 'Letters From Home' program was successfully launched in November with cooperation from the U.S. Armed Forces, the Saudi-American General Electric Company, GE Rents and Pitney Bowes, Inc.," said Bill Louden, general manager for GEnie. "We want to encourage family and friends of those serving in the Persian Gulf to take full advantage of this free program, particularly now during the holiday season."

Letters are sent electronically via GE Information Services' worldwide teleprocessing network to facilities of Saudi-American General Electric Company (SAMGE) in Saudi Arabia. SAMGE is responsible for folding and inserting the letters in envelopes, using equipment provided by Pitney Bowes,

before they are given to the U.S. armed forces for delivery to a designated recipient.

To send a letter, subscribers must indicate the name, rank, social security number, unit or ship and APO or FPO of the recipient. Subscribers to the GEnie service need only type the word "Letters" at any menu prompt on the service. Non-subscribers can dial a local access telephone number or, if they are not near one of the more than 500 GE Information Services dial-up locations, access via a toll-free 800 number.

"Letters From Home" is a great way to communicate quickly with loved ones in the Persian Gulf," said Michael Quigley, mailing systems group vice president, sales and marketing, for Pitney Bowes, a multi-national manufacturing and marketing company that provides mailing and shipping equipment and supplies and other services.

"This program has a number of advantages. Most people can access it from the comfort of their own home and it's convenient and quick. It's the perfect way to communicate." For more information on the GEnie service and the free "Letters From Home" program, contact GEnie Client Services at 1-800-638-9636.

GEnie is an on-line information service available in the United States and Canada through GE Information Services, a division of General Electric Company (NYSE: GE). GE Rents is also a division of General Electric Company, U.S.A. An access directory is available by calling 1-800-638-9636.

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LA JOLLA, CALIF. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - LIDAK Pharmaceuticals (NASDAQ: LDAKU) and GenPharm International, Mountain View, Calif., today announced details of an agreement between the companies to jointly develop animal models for the transplantation of human tissues for the study of AIDS and other immune system diseases.

GenPharm International will supply its proprietary transgenic immunodeficient (TIM(TM)) mice to LIDAK Pharmaceuticals which will test the animals using its proprietary hu-PBL transplantation technology.

LIDAK's current animal model uses SCID mice, a naturally occurring mutant strain with a partially deficient immune system. White blood cells from adult human donors are injected into the SCID mice where they re-create useful human immune system functions. The mice can then be exposed to viruses that only infect human cells, for example the AIDS virus, to provide an animal model of the disease that permits the testing of new drugs and vaccines.

GenPharm has designed its TIM mice to improve upon the naturally occurring SCID strain by providing a more nearly complete immunodeficient mouse. The expectation is that TIM mice will make the LIDAK system easier to use and provide an even better function of the transplanted human immune system.

Commenting on the collaboration, Dr. Robert Kay, GenPharm's vice president, U.S. Research and Development, said, "We are very interested in testing our TIM mice with the LIDAK system since it is a valid and easily used animal model for studying human disease." Dr. Donald Mosier,

LIDAK's vice president of Research and Development, said, "TIM mice should provide a significant refinement to our hu-PBL-SCID mouse technology."

LIDAK Pharmaceuticals utilizes its hu-PBL-SCID technology for the development and testing of its own proprietary drugs and engages in collaborative research programs with other pharmaceutical companies for the development and testing of their drugs and vaccines. GenPharm International Inc. is commercializing transgenic animal technology for pharmaceutical, veterinary and nutritional applications.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - CRS Sirrine Engineers, Inc., a subsidiary of CRSS Inc., (NYSE: CRX), has been awarded the design engineering and construction management contract for the $100-million expansion of Corning Incorporated's Wilmington, N.C., optical fiber plant.

The design phase of the project is currently underway, and construction is scheduled to begin in January 1991. The 60,000 square-foot addition will enable the Wilmington facility, already the world's largest producer of optical fiber, to increase its capacity by 50 percent by 1993. Start-up is anticipated in early 1993.

Corning is a long-time client of CRS Sirrine Engineers, Inc. CRS Sirrine Engineer's Greenville, S.C. office will be responsible for procurement of equipment for the project, in addition to providing engineering and construction services.

According to Corning officials, the expansion is being driven by an increase in worldwide demand for optical fiber. In North America, this market growth is primarily due to telephone companies' increased use of fiber-optic cable in the feeder portions of their networks, and cable television systems' increased use of fiber.

CRSS Inc., through its subsidiaries, is a diversified design and construction services company and is involved in the independent power/cogeneration industry. CRSS has also expanded, through its interest in NaTec Resources,

Inc., into the acid rain pollution control market.

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DALLAS (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Recognition Equipment Incorporated (NYSE: REC) today reported a net loss for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990, of $29,258,000 or $2.86 primary loss per share of common stock, compared to a net loss of $38,803,000, or $3.78 primary loss per share in 1989. Revenues for the year were $230,618,000 compared to $255,874,000 in 1989.

Net loss for the fourth quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, was $14,380.00 or $1.41 primary loss per share of common stock, compared to a net loss of $34,449,000, or $3.37 per share in the corresponding period last year. Revenues for the fourth quarter were $51,789,000 compared to $67,880,000 in 1989. Prior year revenue includes amounts from units divested during the third and fourth quarters of 1990.

The company said that approximately $12 million of the fourth quarter loss was primarily the result of restructuring charges for losses incurred from the sale of certain non-image related assets and to provide for severance and other costs associated with downsizing the company's operations.

In a joint statement, Thomas Hurley and Robert Vanourek, co-chief executive officers, noted that, with the sale of the Wand Products Division in November 1990, the company substantially completed its previously announced sale of non-image related assets and has strong cash balances. The company is now focused on the expanding image market. During the fourth quarter, due to the uncertain state of the economy and signs of a coming recession, the company took further actions to resize the company to match expenses with current revenue projections. The financial impact of restructuring and downsizing is reflected by charges in the fourth quarter and for the year.

At the end of the fiscal year, the company's total backlog of orders believed to be firm was $37,502,000, compared to $64,883,000 at Oct. 31, 1989. The backlog for businesses held at the end of 1990, which would exclude backlog from the divested units and the terminated currency systems contract with the Federal Reserve Banks previously disclosed in the second quarter, was up approximately 10 percent from the prior year.

Recognition, headquartered in Dallas, and its wholly owned subsidiary, Plexus Software, Inc., manufacture, sell and service image and data capture hardware and software systems for customers throughout the world.

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MIAMI (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Crest Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: CRII), a designer, manufacturer and national distributor of home improvement products, today acquired an 80 percent interest in International Vertical Systems, Inc., a manufacturer of track systems for vertical blinds, announced Ron Kepes, Crest president.

Kepes said the company will operate as a separate Crest subsidiary to be known as Crest Vertical Systems, Inc. Mike Castillo and William Angerami will retain a 20 percent interest and will continue to manage the subsidiary, he said. Founded in 1980, Miami-based International Vertical Systems had annual sales of $4 million in 1990.

"International Vertical Systems is a solid company which provides the highest-quality track systems to vertical blind manufacturers on an OEM basis " Kepes said. "Acquisition of the company fits Crest's long-term strategy of steady growth, as well as our goal in terms of developing more diversified products manufactured in the U.S."

This acquisition marks a diversification for Crest, which supplies ceiling fans, room air conditioners, track and recessed lighting products, plumbing fixtures and other consumer home improvement products to retailers across the country. With customers such as Home Depot, Macy's and J.C. Penney, Crest had annual sales of $55 million in fiscal 1990.

Crest Industries, Inc. is a public company with shares traded on the NASDAQ over-the-counter system.

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CINCINNATI (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle-Picher Industries, Inc. (NYSE: EPI) announced yesterday that United States District Judge Jack B. Weinstein issued an order preliminarily certifying a nationwide class of holders of all present and future asbestos-related personal injury claims against the company.

In connection with his order, Weinstein also stayed all claimants from commencing or continuing any asbestos-related personal injury litigation against Eagle-Picher, and he enjoined all claimants from enforcing any judgments entered after Dec. 10, 1990. Weinstein's order does not affect any settlements or judgments entered into prior to Dec. 10, 1990.

Commenting on the involuntary bankruptcy petition filed against Eagle-Picher yesterday, Weinstein stated that the involuntary filing was fraudulent on its

face and constituted a fraudulent attempt to deny jurisdiction to his court in these proceedings. Weinstein also stated that the filing was in bad faith and, in his opinion, a "nullity."

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#90345p1934 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - H.J. Heinz Co. (NYSE: HNZ) announced today an 11.5 percent increase in net income and a 10.6 percent increase in earnings per share for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, compared with the same period last year.

Net income for the second quarter was $139,770,000, compared with last year's $125,395,000. Earnings per share increased to 52 cents from 47 cents for the same period last year.

Consolidated net sales for the second quarter were $1,644,580,000, a 7.4 percent increase over last year's total of $1,531,078,000. The increase in sales came from price increases and the favorable effect of translation of strengthening foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar. Prices increased for nearly all major product categories.

Net income for the six-month period was $283,007,000, up 12.3 percent from last year's total of $251,941,000. Earnings per share were $1.06 for the current year, an increase of 11.6 percent from the 95 cents recorded in the same period last year.

Sales for the first six months of the year increased 7.4 percent to $3,203,823,000 from last year's $2,983,027,000. The sales growth for the period to date also came from price increases and the translation of strengthening foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar, while volume remained stable.

Anthony J.F. O'Reilly, Heinz chairman, president and chief executive officer, said, "Despite the intense competitive environment in some of our food categories in the U.S.A., we remain confident that we will achieve satisfactory full-year growth and continue to build for future growth in the 1990s."

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DENVER (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Gas Resources Inc. (NYSE: WGR) announced today that, through its 52 percent owned subsidiary Western Gas Processors Ltd. (NYSE: WGP), it acquired a 50 percent interest in the Katy Gas Storage and Exchange Facility by purchasing all of the stock of TOGCO Gas Storage Corp. ("TOGCO"). TOGCO owned 50 percent of the rights to the Katy Gas Storage Project and Alcorn Natural Gas Inc. owns the other 50 percent interest. The Storage and Exchange Facility, located at Katy, Texas, will be developed by Western in conjunction with Alcorn and will be operated by Western. The Storage Facility is expected to store up to 20 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas with peak deliverability of more than 350 million cubic feet of gas per day and will be in full operation in 1992.

Firm storage service will be provided to accommodate both seasonal and utility storage requirements and will include firm peaking capabilities. In addition, the Facility will develop and operate a hub to provide an exchange service among the numerous pipelines in the Katy area. The hub is expected to begin operation in 1991. The Storage and Exchange Facility will be built and operated as an intrastate facility.

The acquisition of the rights to, and the subsequent development and operation of the Katy Facility is another step in Western's continued growth into areas with potential significant future growth and with high potential to enhance its marketing efforts.

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#90345p1938 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Grace Energy Corporation (NYSE: GEG) today announced that its offshore drilling subsidiary, Grace Offshore Company, has purchased two offshore rigs from subsidiaries of the Blystad Group PLC, a publicly traded British corporation, for $22.9 million. One of the rigs is a 200-foot cantilever, mat-supported jackup rig, and the other is a 250-foot slot, mat-supported jackup rig.

The two rigs will be operated by Grace Offshore Company's Huthnance Division, which is responsible for its offshore drilling operations. In addition to these two rigs, the Huthnance Division operates three platform drilling rigs, four 200-foot cantilever, mat-supported jackup rigs and one 300-foot cantilever jackup rig. The acquisition of the two rigs is in line with Grace Offshore's strategy of expanding its drilling fleet and providing a full range of equipment to meet its customers' requirements.

Grace Offshore Company is headquartered in New Orleans. Through its Booker Division, it also operates 26 platform workover rigs in the Gulf of Mexico.

Grace Energy Corporation, headquartered in Dallas, is a diversified energy

company whose subsidiaries are engaged in supplying services and equipment to the petroleum industry, in the exploration for and development of oil and natural gas; and in coal mining.

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#90345p1942 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWOOD, MA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Microcom, Inc. (NASDAQ: MNPI) a PC and workstation connectivity company, today announced strategic partnerships with several well-known two-tier value-added distributors, including Tech Data and Costa Distributing. The newly signed distributors will resell Microcom's PC-based Microcom LAN Bridge(tm) (MLB(tm)) series, as well as selected models of Microcom's line of Protocol Modems(tm).

"Connecting networks of networks is the current challenge facing many network managers," stated Peter Brumme, Microcom's senior vice president of North American Sales and Marketing. "Effectively marketing these internetworking products is the challenge facing the networking industry. We are pleased to rely on the expertise of these newly signed distributors to develop new markets for our Microcom LAN Bridge family."

Tech Data and Costa will also offer Microcom Protocol Modems such as the QX/4232hs(tm), bundled with Microcom software packages like Carbon Copy Plus(tm) and RELAY Gold(R), to provide complete connectivity solutions to their customers.

Microcom selected Tech Data to serve as their exclusive distributor on the national level. Microcom will augment this national effort by Tech Data with west coast regional distribution by Costa; other regional distributors will be added in the coming months.

Microcom plans a number of reseller seminars commencing in January 1991 in over 30 cities across the United States and Canada. The "road shows" will focus on the internetworking market, indentifying sales opportunities for Microcom and its distributors, and explaining how these opportunities fit into their current marketing strategies.

The newly signed distributors are a key component of Microcom's new two-tiered channel marketing strategy. In previous announcements, Microcom unveiled a new pricing strategy for its Microcom LAN Bridge and repackaged the MLB in "starter kits" consisting of software, LAN and WAN cards. The starter kits enable the distributor to integrate the MLB with the hardware platform of the VAR's choice and tailor the MLB to best serve the VAR's customer base.

Microcom is a PC and workstation connectivity company headquartered in Norwood Mass.; with offices in Danbury, Conn.; Wilmington, Del.; Durham, N.C.; Caguas

Puerto Rico; and international offices in France, Hong Kong, and the United Kingdom. Principal products lines include Protocol Modems; LAN bridging products; Carbon Copy Plus(tm), RELAY Gold(R), Virex(R), and Microcom 911 Utilities(tm) software packages; and ISDN products.

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MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Medtronic, Inc. (NYSE: MDT) announced today that U.S. clinical evaluation of the Medtronic Wiktor(TM) coronary stent has begun at three medical centers.

The device, invented by a former patient, is being evaluated to help solve the problem of suboptimal angioplasty results as well as restenosis -- or reclosing -- of a coronary artery after it has been cleared of constrictions or blockages with an angioplasty procedure. Restenosis occurs in about a third of angioplasty cases.

Evaluations of the Wiktor stent are underway with patients at Oschner Foundation Hospital, New Orleans; St. Elizabeth's Hospital of Boston; and at St. Joseph's Heart Institute, Tampa, Fla.

The tiny tube-shaped device is formed of tantalum wire designed to flex easily to facilitate movement of the compressed stent through the twisting pathways of the arterial system and then provide strength to hold an expanded shape indefinitely. It is being evaluated in three diameters: 3, 3.5, and 4 mm. All are approximately 17 mm. in length.

In use, the stent is compressed tightly over the balloon of a coronary catheter, maneuvered through the heart's arterial system, and expanded by inflating the balloon at the lesion site. It is designed to tack back any loose flaps of tissue and remain precisely in place to keep the vessel open after the balloon is deflated and withdrawn.

The stent was invented by Dominik M. Wiktor, a Cranford, N.J., engineer, after he underwent surgery in 1984.

European evaluations of the device began in January. Medtronic, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, is a leading developer and manufacturer of biomedical devices for improving cardiovascular and neurological health.

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LOWELL, MA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Taking another step forward in its commitment to industry standards and innovative technologies, Wang Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: WAN) today announced the Wang Local Office Connection for Windows (WINLOC) Release 3.0, a Microsoft(R) Windows 3.0-compliant software package.

WINLOC is used in conjunction with the Wang Local Office Connection or Micro Channel Local Office Connection option boards, which allow industry-standard architecture (ISA) and Micro Channel architecture (MCA) PCs to function as workstations on Wang VS mid-range computers as well as OIS and Alliance text processing systems.

With WINLOC, users can access VS applications, such as data processing or text editing, by running VS terminal emulation in a PC Window while having PC applications, such as a spreadsheet program, active in other windows on their PC screen. WINLOC Release 3.0 is a new version that brings the full range of Windows 3.0 features to users who need VS terminal emulation and access to Windows-based PC applications simultaneously. Available immediately, WINLOC Release 3.0 is priced at $200. Existing WINLOC 2.0 users can upgrade to the new version for $50.

WINLOC 3.0 can be run in Microsoft Windows Real mode, Standard mode, or 386 Enhanced mode. Real mode is commonly used to run older Windows applications that do not work in protected mode. Standard and 386 Enhanced modes exploit the protected mode of 80286 and 80386 processors, freeing Windows applications from memory constraints.

WINLOC 3.0 provides users with the standard Microsoft Windows user interface. As a result, users can copy and paste text between the VS window and PC applications. For example, text can be copied from an EXCEL spreadsheet running in a PC window and pasted into a VS WP Plus document in the VS window. The VS window can be sized, reduced to an icon, and closed like any other PC window. While the VS window is reduced to an icon, a color change in the icon alerts users every time the screen is updated, for example when a new electronic mail item is received.

Pull-down menus are available for a full range of features, including terminal emulation functions. While users can continue to use traditional Wang program function keys to perform VS data processing and WP Plus word processing functions, they also have the option of using pull-down menus for these operations. In addition, users can activate most VS terminal emulation functions by clicking with their mouse on the desired entry in a function key list displayed on their screen.

WINLOC takes advantage of the Microsoft Windows 3.0 Help facilities, providing users with such information as how to use the mouse, options, and switch settings. Online facilities allow users to select and save any available

fixed pitch fonts and customized color settings. Users can choose from up to 16 colors. A simple mouse click on a Save Window Position command allows users to save their preferred window size and location and have it reappear the next time they start a WINLOC session.

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Every 16 seconds someone suffers a head injury and many of those result in cognitive impairment or memory loss (see Note A). The inability of persons with cognitive impairments to recall their family and friends or to recognize common household items can cause great difficulty in their daily lives.

IBM today introduced THINKable (see Note B), a multimedia software program operating on the Personal System/2(Note B). THINKable is a state-of-the-art multimedia solution for cognitive impairment that therapists can use in treating the some 12 million people in the U.S. who suffer memory loss resulting from injury, developmental disabilities, substance abuse, degenerative disease and neurological disorders.

"THINKable helps a cognitively impaired person sharpen memory skills through the innovative use of computer," says Juan M. Sabater, IBM corporate director of community programs. "IBM developed THINKable as part of an ongoing commitment to help individuals with disabilities achieve greater personal and professional independence through the use of technology."

THINKable enables psychologists, occupational therapists, speech/language pathologists and doctors to assist the patient or client in working independently. The sense of the client's personal accomplishment is heightened and clinicians are able to work with more than one client at a time.

THINKable uses multimedia technology on the PS/2(Note B), including animation, photos and natural voice to prompt users through clinical practice sessions that help improve memory, attention, discrimination and sequencing. Sample tasks that can be performed using THINKable include responding to specific images that appear on screen, identifying pairs of images that are similar or dissimilar, and recalling the order in which images appear.

For example, voice and/or text can prompt the user to touch a target image like a chair and on the next screen to identify images that are different, say an ice cream cone or flowers.

(A) -- From Interagency Head Injury Task Force Report compiled by the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, and the National Institutes of Health.

(B) -- Indicates trademark of the International Business Machines Corporation.

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#90345p1952 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Florafax International Inc. (NASDAQ: FIIF) has been advised that Andrew W. Williams, a director, has increased his beneficial ownership in the company to 350,700 shares or 6.8 percent of the shares outstanding. Floyd Cox Jr., chairman, stated, "This increase by Mr. Williams in his investment in Florafax represents tangible evidence of his confidence and support of the direction and future of our company."

Florafax is headquartered in Tulsa and operates a floral wire service nationwide. Its common stock is traded over the counter under additional NASDAQ listings with the symbol "FIIF".

CONTACT: Ronald W. Fore of Florafax International Inc., 918-622-8415

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#90345p1953 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHIPPANY, NJ (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Personal Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: PERS) reported net income for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 declined approximately 35 percent to $757,000 or $.17 per share compared with net income of $1,164,000 or $.35 per share for the preceding year. Revenues for the year increased slightly to $10,779,000 from $10,762,000 for the previous year. For the full year average shares outstanding increased to 4,455,000 from 3,353,000 in the prior year. For the 1990 fourth quarter the company reported net income declined to $12,000 or $0 per share, compared to $303,000 or $.09 per share in the 1989 period.

In commenting on the company's performance, John H. Michael chairman and president of Personal Diagnostics, Inc. noted that the results for the full year and particularly the fourth quarter reflected an increasingly competitive operating environment and difficulty in attracting instrumentation development business to replace completed projects. He added that he expects this pressure on margins and profits to continue into 1991.

Personal Diagnostics, Inc. is a fully integrated medical technology company with specialized capabilities for precision design, engineering and manufacture of instrumentation for the health care industry.

	PERSONAL DIAGNOSTICS, INC.	
Fiscal year ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
Revenues	$10,779,000	$10,762,000

Net income	757,000	1,164,000
Net income per share	.17	.35
Average number of shares outstanding	4,455,000	3,353,000

Fourth quarter ended Sept. 30,		
Revenues	$ 2,466,000	$ 2,394,000
Net income	12,000	303,000
Net income per share	0	.09
Average number of shares outstanding	4,709,200	3,486,200

CONTACT: Alan R. Shandler, executive vice president of finance of Personal Diagnostics, 201-335-4486.

-30- 2246

#90345p1956 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Beber Silverstein McCabe & Partners has been named agency of record for Plymouth/Lamston Stores Corporation, a New Jersey-based retail company. The agency will develop and implement an image advertising campaign for the Plymouth division of the company which has 54 women's clothing stores in Greater New York and Washington, D.C.

Plymouth Stores was founded in 1924 and offers a wide selection of popular priced clothing for career-oriented women.

"Plymouth has been updating many of its stores and felt that now is the time to convey a fresh image to its customers," said Ed McCabe, chairman of Beber Silverstein McCabe & Partners New York. "We're pleased to be selected to orchestrate an image and direct marketing campaign that will assist in their efforts."

Beber Silverstein McCabe & Partners has offices in New York, Washington, D.C. and Miami.

CONTACT: Christine Barney of Bruce Rubin Associates, Inc., 305-448-7450, for Beber Silverstein McCabe & Partners.

-30- 1192

#90345p1960 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - PHP Healthcare Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: PHPH) announced today that it had been awarded a contract to manage and operate a 220 bed VA nursing facility in Anderson, S.C.

This is the second contract that PHP has received in the past 15 months for similar services. On Nov. 30, 1989, PHP commenced operating a similar 150 bed home in Alexander City, Ala.

Both of these centers reflect increasing recognition at the federal and state levels of the increased long-term care required by the aging of our 28 million American veterans. The potential value of the contract over its multi-year life is $30,000,000.

CONTACT: Charles H. Robbins, president and chairman, or Anthony M. Picini, vice president, finance, (703) 998-7808, both of PHP Healthcare Corporation.

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#90345p1961 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) announced today it has selected The Anderson Group of Albany, N.Y., to develop its National Customer Service Center in North Fayette Township, Allegheny County, Pa.

The site is located about four miles east of Greater Pittsburgh International Airport at the Park West development property of the Regional Industrial Development Corporation (RIDC).

Conrail announced on Nov. 8 that it would establish a National Customer Service Center in the Pittsburgh area to replace existing centers in six states. Customer Service employees process customers' shipping instructions for freight cars and rail freight service. Conrail worked closely with the Governor's Response Team and local officials in selecting the Pittsburgh area as the site for the center.

Conrail will lease the entire 90,000-square-foot, three-story structure The Anderson Group will build on the RIDC property. About 30,000 square feet will be ready for occupancy in August 1991, at which time Conrail will begin to phase in operation of the National Customer Service Center. Customer Service Department employees currently based in Pittsburgh will be among the first to move into the new building, with employees from other centers transferring in stages. Conrail expects the consolidation of customer service operations to be complete in 1993.

Tom Foerster, chairman of the Allegheny County Commissioners, said: "I am delighted that Conrail selected Allegheny County as the location for its national customer service center. Conrail's decision demonstrates that Allegheny County is a great place to do business."

Conrail operates a rail freight transportation network in 14 Northeastern and Midwestern states, the District of Columbia, and the Province of Quebec.

CONTACT: Robert T. Sullivan or Patricia Linskey of Conrail, 215-977-4594

-30- 2089

#90345p1966 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - USX Corp. (NYSE: X) today announced final results of the offer by its Marathon Oil Co. subsidiary to exchange new 9-3/4 percent guaranteed notes due 1999 for outstanding 9-1/2 percent guaranteed notes due 1994.

The company said that an aggregate principal amount of $161,149,500 of the new 9-3/4 percent notes were issued in exchange for a like amount of 9-1/2 percent notes.

CONTACT: William Keslar or Don H. Herring of USX, 412-433-6870.

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#90345p1972 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WINSTON-SALEM, NC (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. and its fellow members of the Tobacco Institute today announced new initiatives to discourage young people from smoking.

"We don't want young people to smoke, and we don't market our products to young people," said James W. Johnston, chairman and chief executive officer of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. "The Tobacco Institute's new program will make it more difficult for children to have access to cigarettes, and we support it wholeheartedly," he said.

The new initiatives expand the system of voluntary restraints the tobacco industry has adhered to for nearly 20 years. The new initiatives include:

- A national program to help retailers observe and enforce state laws prohibiting tobacco sales to youth. The store signage and education campaign's theme is, "It's the Law."

- Industry support for passage of new state laws setting a minimum age of 18 for cigarette sales in those states without a minimum age law or one lower than 18.

- Industry support for new state laws requiring supervision of cigarette vending machines located in places frequented by minors.

- Sharp new limitations on the distribution of product samples and premiums; requirements that billboard cigarette advertisements be at least 500 feet away from schools and playgrounds; and other new guidelines that supplement current industry codes.

- Support materials for parents to use in encouraging their children to resist peer pressure to smoke. The materials will be promoted through a multi-million dollar advertising campaign.

"Time and again, studies have shown that young people cite the influence of friends and family as the reason they began smoking," Johnston said. "The Tobacco Institute's new programs will help parents counter those influences, and will make it more difficult for children to buy cigarettes.

"They will also demonstrate what we as an industry have said for years: that we don't market to children, we don't advertise to children and we're willing to put into place voluntary programs that will help keep children from smoking " Johnston said.

CONTACT: Maura T. Payne, Public Relations, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, (919) 741-6996.

-30- 2451

#90345p1973 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, CO (DEC. 11) - Synergen Inc. (NASDAQ:SYGN) announced today that researchers at Tufts University in Boston and two Italian universities have released results of an experiment showing that Synergen's interleukin-1 receptor antagonist (IL-1ra) significantly reduces proliferation of cells taken from acute myelogenous leukemia patients.

The results of these experiments were presented recently at the American Society of Hematology Conference and were also published as an abstract in the Nov. 15 issue of the scientific journal Blood.

The researchers found that leukocytes from patients with AML produce elevated levels of interleukin-1 (IL-1), which, in turn, induces proliferation of these cells. Synergen's IL-1ra blocks IL- 1 binding to the IL-1 receptor molecule, thus stopping proliferation of these leukemia cells.

Plans are under way to start a clinical study in patients with chronic myelogenous leukemia early next year at the M.D. Anderson Medical Center in Houston, Texas.

Synergen is a biotechnology company developing products to treat inflammatory diseases, vascular disorders and neurological conditions, using recombinant DNA technology and the latest advances in molecular and cellular biology.

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-30- 1468

#90345p1974 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Compaq Computer Corporation (NYSE: CPQ) has captured six awards from three publications, including the Hardware Manufacturer of the Year award from Systems Integration magazine.

Compaq took four first place awards at the Systems Integration Products of the Year awards ceremony in Las Vegas, the site of this Fall's 1990 Comdex, the computer industry's mega-trade show. The Compaq SystemPro emerged as the best product in both the File Server and Multi-User System categories and the Compaq LTE/286 won in the Portable/Laptop category.

The editors of PC Magazine also named the Compaq SystemPro winner in the Personal Computer category of PC Magazine's 1990 Awards for Technical Excellence. Additionally, the Compaq DeskPro line of products received Reseller Management magazine's Readers' Choice Awards for "Best-to-Sell Product for 1990" in the Desktop category.

"These awards further demonstrate confidence in the quality and reliability of Compaq products according to magazine editors, who independently evaluate our products; resellers, whose business success depends on satisfied customers; and users, whose needs ultimately determine our product strategy," said Kevin Bohren, director of corporate communications, Compaq Computer Corporation.

"This positive feedback is in line with Compaq's 1990 survey conducted by Millward Brown indicating that nine out of ten end users rate their experience using Compaq PCs an eight, nine, or ten on excellence using a ten-point scale " said Bohren.

The Systems Integration awards were based on votes from readers who recommended products in 47 categories that best served their needs during the last year.

"Compaq has clearly established a strong foothold among systems integrators, the quintessential builders of multi-vendor, multi-user networked systems," said Susan Chouinard, Systems Integration's publisher.

Systems Integration is read by more than 110,000 value-added resellers (VAR)/third-party integrators, original equipment manufacturers (OEM) and in-house systems integrators.

PC Magazine's Awards for Technical Excellence are based on editors' opinions of those products that advanced the state of the art during the past year. At the annual awards ceremony, PC Magazine editors credited Compaq with playing a leading role in the industry trend toward downsizing from minicomputers and mainframes.

CONTACT: Catherine Macora, John Sweney, Debra Globe, Mike Berman, or Nora Rice all of Compaq Computer Corporation, (713) 374-4616; or Bill Hughes or Tony Sapienza, both of Miller Communications, (617) 536-0470, for Compaq Computer (editorial contacts); or Tom Pearson of Pearson Communications, (215) 648-3975 (electronic media contact).

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#90345p1975 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PENNSAUKEN, NJ (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - MEDIQ Inc. (AMEX: MED), a provider of healthcare and financial services, today reported revenues and net income for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for fiscal 1990 were $373,516,000, an increase of 10 percent over 1989 revenues of $338,965,000. Net income was $6,675,000 or 28 cents per share in 1990 compared with net income of $10,528,000 or 44 cents per share in 1989. Revenues and net income for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were $100,946,000 and $542,000 or 2 cents per share, respectively, compared to $87,121,000 and $2,394,000 or 10 cents per share for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

Bernard J. Korman, president and chief executive officer of MEDIQ, stated that results for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were adversely affected by the performance of the company's owned and operated psychiatric hospitals, its home care group and an increase in the allowance for bad debts at Copelco Financial Services Group Inc., the company's financial services subsidiary. The increase in the allowance for bad debts is reflective of the company's assessment of the recession's impact on the company's commercial and industrial lease portfolio.

MEDIQ Inc., whose shares (MED and MED.Pr) and debentures (MED.C) are traded on the American Stock Exchange, provides products and services to hospitals, nursing homes, healthcare professionals and consumers through its subsidiaries. MEDIQ's businesses include diagnostic imaging and testing; maintenance of diagnostic equipment; pharmaceutical packaging; medical equipmental rental; healthcare facility planning, design and project management; management and ownership of psychiatric units; utilization review of medical claims made to insurance companies, and financial services.

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#90345p1976 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - North Star Universal, Inc. (NASDAQ: NSRU) announced today that it has completed the sale of the business operations of its Industrial Gasket Company subsidiary to Industrial Custom Products, Ltd., a privately owned company headquartered in Hopkins, Minn. The subsidiary was sold for its approximate book value. Terms of the sales agreement were not disclosed.

North Star Universal, Inc. owns and supervises the management of businesses engaged in computer cabling and related services, health care services, and other industries. North Star Universal also owns a 50.9 percent majority interest in Michael Foods, Inc., (NASDAQ: MIKL).

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#90345p1980 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Wonder what the weather's going to be like at Santa's workshop this Christmas? Will Rudolph's nose ice up?

It's easy to find out. 1-900-WEATHER, the telephone weather service from American Express, is offering North Pole weather and some special entertaining travel information until just after the New Year's holiday. The messages will change weekly.

1-900-WEATHER offers up-to-the-minute weather information and three-day forecasts for the North Pole as well as 600 other locations in the United States and worldwide. So, after callers find out about the weather where they're headed, the can also hear what's happening in Santa's hometown.

1-900-WEATHER is a service of American Express Travel Related Services Company Inc., a family of travel, financial, insurance, data-processing and communications businesses, and wholly owned subsidiary of the American Express Company.

CONTACT: Laura Gross or Kevin Sullivan of American Express, 212-640-3143; or Kent McKamy or Nancy Miller of McKamy & Partners, 212-684-4880, for American Express

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#90345p1988 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELVILLE, N.Y. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Genovese Drug Stores, Inc. (AMEX: GDXA), a chain of 956 super drug stores with locations in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut today announced that its board of directors declared a 6 cents per share regular cash dividend payable on Jan. 7, 1991, to holders of record Dec. 27, 1990.

CONTACT: Jerome Stengel, VP and treasurer of Genovese Drug Stores, 516-420-1900

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#90345p1989 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, MINN. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - IBM (NYSE: IBM) today announced the largest distribution from its $25 million IBM Funds for Dependent Care Initiatives since the program was introduced last year.

The company announced awards totaling more than $3.5 million to help finance 21 child care and elder care projects in nine cities across the country where its employees live and work.

In Rochester, IBM is awarding $308,500 to two agencies to assist them further improve both the quality and quantity of infant and toddler day care in the community.

Child Care Resource and Referral, Inc., will receive a grant of $300,000, enabling the agency to purchase land and construct a free-standing child care center, increasing the supply of infant/toddler care spaces in Rochester by 30.

The agency will construct the center, which they will own. Child Care Resource and Referral will lease the center to a local not-for- profit child care provider who will operate and manage it. The operator selected must be accredited by the National Association for Education of Young Children.

"We believe this is a unique partnership between business and the community," said Joanne McCree, IBM Rochester Personnel Manager. "While this new center will be built with funds from IBM, it is a community facility, with space available for children whose parent or parents do not happen to work at IBM.

"To our knowledge, this is the first center available to the general public that has been funded totally by a corporate contribution."

The Children's Home Society Child Care Center in Rochester will receive $8,500 to be used to purchase basic infant and toddler furniture, equipment and supplies, such as high chairs, strollers and some toys.

CONTACT: Dick Ulland of IBM, 507-253-4340 or Tutti Sherlock of Child Care Resource and Referral, 507-287-2020

-30- 2058

#90345p1997 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Alliant Techsystems (NYSE: ATK) today acknowledged that investment funds and limited partnerships affiliated with Tiger Management Corporation, a New York-based investment management firm, have purchased 613,100 shares of Alliant Techsystems common stock for investment purposes.

The shares represent 6.6 percent of the company's outstanding shares and were purchased on the open market. Tiger Management Corporation is headed by Julian H. Robertson, Jr.

"We are pleased to have Mr. Robertson as a major shareholder in Alliant Techsystems and appreciate the confidence he has shown in the company as evidenced by this investment," said Toby G. Warson, president and chief

executive officer.

Alliant Techsystems supplies high-quality precision armament, ordnance, marine and information storage systems to the U.S. government and its allies. In 1989, the company had revenues of $1.3 billion and net income of $42 million. Headquartered in Minnesota, Alliant Techsystems employs 7,800 people.

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#90345p1998 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Enron Corp. (NYSE: ENE) announced today that John A. Urquhart has been elected to the corporation's board of directors. With Urquhart's election, the number of Enron directors now stands at 16.

"Jack will bring significant contributions to all of our business units, but we are particularly pleased to be able to benefit from his extensive background in power generation," said Kenneth L. Lay, chairman and chief executive officer of Enron.

Urquhart is senior vice president of General Electric Company and formerly headed General Electric's Industrial and Power Systems, the world's largest manufacturer that designs, produces, sells, constructs and services equipment and systems for the generation, transmission and distribution of electric power. General Electric builds or designs about half of the gas turbines used around the world.

Urquhart joined General Electric in 1949 and served in a number of assignments in the company's gas turbine, power generation sales, delivery, construction and engineering services businesses. He was named senior vice president and group executive of construction and engineering services in 1981 and executive vice president with responsibility for General Electric's international operations in 1982. He became executive vice president with responsibility for the power systems sector in 1985 and was named senior vice president with responsibility for GE Industrial and Power Systems in 1986.

Enron Corp., America's leading natural gas company with approximately $11 billion in revenues and $9 billion in assets, operates the nation's largest natural gas transmission system; markets natural gas, gas liquids, crude oil and refined products nationally and worldwide; owns 84 percent of Enron Oil & Gas Company, one of the country's largest independent (non-integrated) natural gas exploration and production companies; and also is one of the largest independent producers of electricity in the United States, with extensive experience in combined heat and power installations.

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#90345p1999 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, AL (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Energen Corp. (NYSE: EGN) today announced that Alagasco, its natural gas utility, has accepted an order of the Alabama Public Service Commission (APSC) extending for three years its progressive rate-setting methodology.

The new Rate Stabilization and Equalization (RSE) order also includes a temperature adjustment provision.

Established in 1983, RSE replaced the traditional utility rate case with quarterly adjustments designed to give Alagasco an opportunity to earn a return on equity within a specified range.

Under the APSC's order, the allowed return on equity range remains the same at 13.15 percent to 13.65 percent. A temperature adjustment provision included in the renewal order will reduce the impact of warmer-than-normal and colder-than-normal temperatures on Alagasco's earnings.

Any rate increases will be implemented once a year, on Dec. 1, rather than in quarterly increments, and any needed decreases in rates will continue to be made on a quarterly basis. As a result, Alagasco's opportunity to earn a return on equity within the allowed range will be enhanced since the regulatory lag inherent with quarterly increases will be significantly reduced. Annual rate increases cannot exceed 4 percent of revenues for the latest 12-month period.

One of several cost containment provisions in the order requires Alagasco to keep its operations and maintenance (O&M) expenses per customer within 1.25 percent over or under the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Customers (CPI-U). Should O&M expenses exceed the limit, customers' rates will be reduced; if O&M expenses fall below the limit, Alagasco and its customers will share the benefits. The order extending RSE also stipulates that Alagasco's actual equity at Sept. 30 cannot exceed 60 percent of its total capitalization.

"RSE has truly been a win-win situation for Alagasco and our customers, and we are very pleased that it has been extended for three years," said Alagasco President Wm. Michael Warren Jr. "The temperature adjustment and annual rate increase mechanism, along with RSE itself, are excellent examples of progressive ratemaking."

Energen Corp. is a diversified energy company engaged primarily in natural gas distribution and oil and gas exploration and production.

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#90345p2003 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Hughes Aircraft Company, a unit of GM Hughes Electronics (NYSE: GMH), today announced its entry into the multibillion dollar cellular communications market with new digital cellular products and services expected to revolutionize the way people communicate when away from their homes and offices.

The new venture, to be executed by Hughes Network Systems, Inc. (HNS), a Hughes subsidiary, includes:

-- New Cellular telephones capable of handling both analog and digital transmission.

-- New, state-of-the-art digital cellular networking and switching equipment that increases network capacity fifteenfold virtually banishing the three major problems which have plagued mobile telephone transmission to date -- static, loss of signal in passing from cell to cell, and failure to get a connection because of jammed relays.

-- Creation of a nationwide cellular services network providing "one-stop shopping" for purchasers of new cars and trucks from General Motors, parent company of GM Hughes Electronics.

"The systems announced today represent a significant step towards realizing the concept of Personal Communications Networking wherein individual users on a network can send and receive both voice and data transmissions by way of personal communication devices that recognize a 'personal' code number," Hughes Chairman and CEO Malcolm Currie said.

Pradeep Kaul, Executive Vice President of Hughes Network Systems, noted that the innovations announced exceed the new industry-wide goals recently approved which call for tripling the capacity of existing cellular networks. He said HNS' new proprietary technique called "Extended Time Division Multiple Access (E-TDMA)" which will increase capacity by a factor of 15 instead of only three will be introduced in 1991. Unlike other approaches under development, the HNS technique is fully compatible with the new digital cellular AMPS-D standards recently adopted by the industry. Working within the industry standards process, HNS intends to move the current digital standards forward to incorporate the E-TDMA technique.

Hughes Network Systems is the world's leading supplier of TDMA equipment, the core of the new AMPS-D digital standard approved by the Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association, and has more than 20 years experience as a major supplier of digital telecommunications networks.

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#90345p2004 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Tenneco Inc. (NYSE: TGT) today announced that its Tenneco Minerals unit has donated more than 100,000 acres of mineral rights to The Nature Conservancy, a non-profit organization dedicated to the protection of lands and water needed to preserve plants, animals, and natural communities representing the diversity of life on Earth.

Included in the donation were 81,000 acres of mineral rights on the Conservancy's Gray Ranch Preserve in southern New Mexico, and 20,000 acres of mineral reserves on the Sycan Marsh in Oregon. Both preserves were acquired by the Conservancy for their ecological importance.

The Gray Ranch is one of the most biologically diverse places in the United States. Flat grassland prairies of the Chihuahuan desert surround the forested watersheds of the Animas Mountain range, home to several imperiled species including the Ferruginous hawk, golden and bald eagles, pronghorn, and the ridge-nose rattlesnake.

The Sycan Marsh property in Oregon is waterlogged year round and provides habitat for migratory birds on the Pacific flyway as well as a number of native Oregon plant species. Areas such as Sycan Marsh are particularly important to protect because wetlands are diminishing at a rate of 400,000 acres a year.

"Tenneco is pleased to be able to support the efforts of The Nature Conservancy with this donation," said David R. Delling, president of Tenneco Minerals Company, at a ceremony at the Conservancy's headquarters in Arlington Va.

"We're sensitive to the environmental issues raised by our activities and we place a high priority on striking a realistic balance between our business operations and the expectations of society. It was a pleasure to have the opportunity to work with the Conservancy on guaranteeing the preservation of these two special habitats."

Tenneco acquired the Gray Ranch assets in 1967 through the Kern County Land Company acquisition. The Oregon properties were acquired through various transactions over an extended period of time.

"We applaud Tenneco's leading role in exploring new ways for the business and environmental communities to work together," said John C. Sawhill, president of The Nature Conservancy and past energy secretary under the Nixon, Carter, and Ford administrations.

"The job of protecting the country's natural areas is bigger than any one sector of society can undertake. Tenneco is proving that partnerships among

these sectors are the key to success."

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WICHITA, KAN. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Midwest Inc. (NASDAQ: AMWI) flew 14.6 million revenue passenger miles during November 1990, a 13.1 percent increase from the like period last year, according to Robert L. Priddy, president of the Wichita-based airline. Air Midwest enplaned 65,699 passengers a 7.2 percent increase over the 61,311 enplaned in November 1989. Load factor increased 3.6 points, to 43.2 percent. Available seat miles increased to 33.8 million from 32.6 million, an increase of 3.8 percent from the previous year.

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Available seat miles	33,823,908	32,572,153	3.8
Revenue passenger miles	14,603,613	12,913,427	13.1
Load factor	43.2pct.	39.6pct.	3.6points

	Year-To-Date		
	1990	1989	Percent Change
Passengers	744,705	853,528	-12.7
Available seat miles	397,133,453	405,234,315	-2.0
Revenue passenger miles	166,056,061	168,572,106	-1.5
Load factor	41.8pct.	41.6pct.	0.2points

CONTACT: Robert L. Priddy of Air Midwest Inc., 316-942-8137

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HOUSTON (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - NaTec Resources, Inc. (NASDAQ: NATC) has announced an agreement in principle for the sale of the assets of AER-X, Inc. to a new subsidiary of Energy Management Associates, Inc. of Atlanta. NaTec would receive 10 percent ownership in the new subsidiary, plus additional compensation for which terms were not disclosed. The sale is subject to completion of due diligence and the negotiation and execution of definitive acquisition documents. AER- X is a wholly-owned subsidiary of NaTec and is the nation's foremost company specializing in emission credit trading.

In announcing the sale, Soc Christopher, chairman and CEO of NaTec, stated that, "The association with Energy Management Associates will allow AER-X to remain on the leading edge in the emission credit trading market while continuing to give NaTec access to the market and participation in its growth."

Energy Management Associates is the leading provider of planning software to the electric and natural gas utility industry and a highly regarded regulatory consulting firm. Energy Management Associates' PROMOD III(R) and PROSCREEN II(R) systems are used by electric utilities that comprise over 70 percent of the installed U.S. generating capacity. The company provides consulting services and the expert testimony necessary to support operational decisions and resource strategies before regulatory bodies and financial rating agencies.

NaTec is committed to the control of pollutants commonly associated with acid

rain. The company provides consulting engineering, injection system installation, operations and maintenance services, and processed sorbent supply. Primary markets are utility, industrial power generation, pulp and paper, refining and municipal solid waste.

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#90345p2014 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Celutel Inc. (AMEX: CLU) announced today its operating results for its second fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31 1990.

Consolidated Second Quarter Results: During the company's second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, total operating revenue was approximately $1,898,500, a 201 percent increase over the 1989 corresponding quarter. For the first six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, total operating revenue was approximately $3,488,900, a 145 percent increase over the same period of 1989.

The net loss for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990, was $2,174,600, a 4 percent increase compared to approximately $2,095,300 during the corresponding second period of 1989. For the first six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, the net loss was approximately $4,416,300, an approximate 41 percent increase over the same period of 1989. These increases reflect continued start-up expenses associated with the commencement of cellular operations in the Jackson, Biloxi and Pascagoula, Miss., systems. The Pascagoula cellular system became operational on Nov. 29, 1990.

Celutel Inc. develops and operates non-wireline cellular telephone systems serving market areas in the Rio Grande Valley of south Texas and in the states of Mississippi and West Virginia/Ohio.

CELUTEL INC.
(Unaudited)

Three months ended Oct. 31	1990	1989
Total operating revenue	$1,898,500	$631,700
Net loss	2,174,600	2,095,300
Net loss per share(A)	$(.83)	$(.82)
Weighted average of the number of outstanding shares	2,624,018	2,537,500

Six months ended Oct. 31	1990	1989
Total operating revenue	$3,488,900	$1,423,200
Net loss	4,416,300	3,137,500
Net loss per share(A)	$(1.68)	$(1.24)
Weighted average of the number of outstanding shares	2,624,018	2,537,500

(A) Adjusted to reflect 1-for-20 reverse stock split effective May 25, 1990.

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#90345p2015 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NUTLEY, N.J. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Eighteen months after setting a target to reduce air emissions by 90 percent at its production facilities in the state by the end of 1992, Hoffmann-La Roche Inc. has made significant progress toward that goal, according to data the company filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP).

Meanwhile, the New Jersey Chapter of the Sierra Club and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection praised Roche's efforts to achieve dramatic reductions in a short period of time

"The dramatic results are a testament to the company's commitment to reduce our impact on the environment by employing cost-effective and responsible initiatives in lowering emissions and exceeding the requirements of the Right-To-Know Law," said Irwin Lerner, president and CEO of Hoffmann-La Roche Inc., an indirect subsidiary of Roche Holding Ltd., the worldwide pharmaceutical and health care group based in Basle, Switzerland.

The reports filed with the U.S. EPA and NJDEP under the requirements of the Federal Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA), or Emergency Response and Community Right-To-Know Law, show a 64 percent decrease in fugitive emissions and a 48 percent decrease in vent-permitted emissions between 1987 and 1989 at the company's Nutley-Clifton manufacturing complex. Meanwhile, at the company's vitamin plant in Belvidere, one of the largest in the world, Roche reduced fugitive emissions by 79 percent.

As a result of the 90 percent air emissions reduction initiative, Roche Corporate Environmental & Safety Affairs last year established the Internal Nutley Emissions Reduction Team, or INERT, to tackle the vexing problem of fugitive emissions.

The Hoffmann-La Roche Nutley production facility produces a number of pharmaceuticals, vitamin intermediates, vitamins, beta carotene and biotechnology products.

Headquartered in Nutley, N.J., Hoffmann-La Roche is widely known for original research and development in the health care field. The company has produced numerous important prescription drugs and is a leader in biotechnology. Roche provides a wide range of diagnostic products and clinical laboratory services and is a major producer of pure bulk vitamins and medicinal products used in the food, pharmaceutical, cosmetic and animal health fields. In addition, the

company recently launched a new business that provides home infusion therapy for patients who can be treated outside of the hospital.

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#90345p2016 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Norwest Corporation (NYSE: NOB) today announced an offering of cumulative fixed rate perpetual preferred stock. The company said it expects to raise approximately $75 million.

Underwriters for the offering are Merrill Lynch & Co., Dain Bosworth Incorporated, and Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated.

Norwest Corporation is a $26.7 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking related and specialized financial services through 1,355 offices in 47 states and internationally.

CONTACT: (Media) Larry Haeg, 612-667-7043, or (Investor) Robert S. Strickland 612-667-7919, both of Norwest

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#90345p2017 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The First Boston Corporation and associates announced today the public offering of $100 million principal amount of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: PCG), first & refunding mortgage bonds 8-3/4 percent Series 90B, due Jan. 1, 2001, at 99.379 percent of their principal amount, plus accrued interest from Dec. 1, 1990, to yield 8.84 percent. The bonds are non-callable prior to maturity.

Associated with First Boston are: Bear Stearns & Co. Inc.; Donaldson, Lufkin Jenrette Securities Corporation; A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc.; Merrill Lynch & Co.; Prudential-Bache Capital Funding; Doley Securities, Inc.; and Tucker Anthony Incorporated. The underwriters were awarded the issue on their bid of 8.89 percent cost of funds to the company.

The net proceeds from the sale of the bonds will become part of the treasury funds of the company and will be applied to construction expenditures and to the redemption, repayment or retirement of outstanding indebtedness or preferred stock.

The company is an operating public utility engaged principally in the business of supplying electric and natural gas service throughout most of northern and central California.

CONTACT: Joseph D. Fashano, vice president of First Boston, 212-909-2107.

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#90345p2023 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Orders by El Al Israel Airlines for four jetliners valued at about $425 million have been confirmed by Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, the company said today. The four include two 747-400s and two 757-200s. In addition, the airline has taken options on two more 747-400s.

These will be the airline's first 747-400s. Largest, most modern and longest-range of the Boeing family of jetliners, the 747-400 boasts technical advances in aerodynamics, structural materials and avionics plus passenger-pleasing interior designs. Capable of ranges up to 8,400 statute miles (13,518 km), the new aircraft consume 11 percent to 15 percent less fuel than 747-300s. To date, 31 airlines have placed 399 firm orders for the 747-400.

Moshe Katsav, Israeli Minister of Transport, said, "the Israeli government is pleased that El Al Israel Airlines has chosen the 747-400 to complement its existing Boeing fleet of airplanes." The airline currently operates four models of Boeing aircraft: the 737, 747-200, 757 and 767.

The two 757s made public today have been on order for some time. One was delivered in mid-November. In confirming the order and recent delivery, Rafi Harlev, president of El Al, said, "the Boeing 757 has become an important asset in El Al's fleet, having demonstrated maximum reliability and economy through daily performance. The acquisition of our fourth and fifth 757s backs up our confidence in this aircraft and expresses the satisfaction of our passengers who fly with El Al between Tel Aviv and European destinations."

The Boeing 757s are large, twin-engined, medium-to-long-range jetliners, capable of carrying from 176 to 230 passengers. They are unsurpassed in fuel efficiency and are amone? quietest airplanes flying. Total orders for the 757 are now 715 from 34 customers.

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#90345p2027 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Chesapeake Corporation (NYSE: CSK), today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.18 a share on the common stock of the corporation, payable February 15, 1991 to stockholders of record at the close of business January 21, 1991.

This will be the 58th consecutive year that Chesapeake has paid a dividend.

CONTACT: Paul A. Dresser Jr., Chief Financial Officer, Chesapeake Corporation 804-697-1155.

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#90345p2029 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - In a case certain to have significance for foreign companies doing business in the United States, Japanese-owned Quasar Company has been found guilty of discrimination against American employees by a U.S. District Court and ordered to pay nearly $2.5 million plus costs and attorney's fees to three former employees, it was announced today by Holleb & Coff attorneys for the plaintiffs. This is one of the first known cases where a Japanese company has been found guilty of discrimination of this kind.

Quasar Company, based in Franklin Park, Ill., is a division of Japanese-owned giant Matsushita Electric Corporation of America. Matsushita distributes consumer electronic goods and home appliances in the United States under the Quasar, Panasonic, and Technics brand names, and recently purchased MCA, Inc., a Hollywood production studio.

The court order, returned late last Friday, is the result of a civil case filed by Chicago-based law firm Holleb & Coff in 1987 charging discrimination on the basis of age and national origin.

Previously, in a 1988 ruling, a federal court jury returned a verdict for the plaintiffs and against Quasar for nearly $2 million because of Quasar's willful violation of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA). The court doubled a portion of that award because of the willful nature of that discrimination.

"This is a significant decision for the business community. It sends a clear message for foreign-owned firms doing business in the U.S. that our markets are open to them, but they can't come here and discriminate against Americans " says Michael A. Reiter, a litigation partner at Holleb & Coff.

The recent judgment found Quasar in violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 which makes it unlawful for an employer "to limit, segregate, or classify its employees...in any way...because of such individual's national origin."

Plaintiffs John Fortino, Carl Meyers and F. William Schulz were fired from their jobs at Quasar's Franklin Park facility in 1986 as part of a reorganization and 50 percent work force reduction.

Prior to this reduction, Quasar reportedly had 89 managerial employees (80 American and nine Japanese). Following the reorganization, Quasar employed 23 managerial staff (14 Americans and nine Japanese). While 57 American

managerial employees lost their jobs, none of Quasar's nine Japanese managers were terminated. The evidence showed that non-Japanese managerial staff were excluded from management meetings to discuss the reorganization.

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#90345p2038 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMINGTON, MINN (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Allercare (NASDAQ: ALLR) announced today that revenues for the first half of fiscal 1991 increased 11 percent to $3,840,137, up from $3,450,732 for the same period last year. Revenues for the second quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990 were $1,253,470 down from $2,140,037 for the second quarter of last year. The decrease was due to a number of reasons including the sale of the PROTEX condom business, relocation of the business to Minnesota, cashflow constraints, and an unusual level of returns and allowances.

Allercare also announced a net loss in the first half of fiscal 1991 of $575,912, or $.14 per share versus a net loss last year of $306,313, or $.08 per share. The net loss for the second quarter was $582,833, or $.14 per share versus a net loss last year of $89,108, or $.02 per share. The loss was caused by decreased revenues, an increased provision for obsolete inventory, and higher than normal marketing expenses.

Allercare is presently waiting for a verdict in the antitrust action brought by a competitor seeking to reverse the sale of its condom business to Schmid Laboratories. The sale was completed on Sept. 21, 1990. However, the $3.8 million sale proceeds remain in escrow until the antitrust action is resolved.

Allercare returned its offices to Minnesota in October 1990. As previously announced, Sigfred W. Peck was recently elected president and CEO following the resignation of Steven E. Elliott. Peck was previously CFO.

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#90345p2039 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - JG Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: JGIN) announced today that net sales for its third quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990 were $47,221,000, as compared with $52,819,000 in the prior year. Stores which were sold or closed accounted for this decline, as same store sales increased .8 percent. The net loss for the quarter was $54,000 versus net income of $666,000 in the prior year. Prior year results include a $3.3 million gain from the sale of the Barker Bros. division, while current year results include

a gain from debt restructuring of $1 million. The loss applicable to common stock (after preferred stock dividends) was $.06 per share in the current year while income was $.11 per share in the prior year.

The year to date net loss of $1,136,000 compares with the prior year net loss of $2,698,000. The net loss applicable to common stock was $.35 per share in the current year and $.46 per share in the prior year.

Year-to-date net sales were $144,886,000 as compared with $179,371,000, in the prior year. Comparable store sales increased 5.2 percent, as stores which were sold or closed accounted for the overall decline.

JG Industries Inc. is a Chicago-based retailing concern that operates through its various subsidiaries 11 Goldblatt's department stores in Illinois and Indiana, 10 Huffman Koos furniture stores in New Jersey and New York, and 137 speciality retail shoe stores nationally.

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#90345p2042 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORWOOD, Mass. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Analog Devices (NYSE: ADI) today announced sales of $485.2 million for the year ended Nov. 3, 1990, an increase of 7.0 percent over fiscal 1989. Sales for the fourth quarter were $138.5 million, including $20.1 million in revenues from the Precision Monolithics Division (PMD), which was part of Analog Devices for the last 12 weeks of the fiscal year.

The company reported a net loss of $12.9 million for the year, compared to the previous year's net income of $27.9 million. The loss per share was 28 cents vs. earnings per share of 58 cents for fiscal 1989. The fourth quarter's net loss of $23.6 million included an $18.5 million restructuring charge and a previously-announced $12 million reserve taken against the ADE venture capital portfolio that reduces the carrying value of that portfolio to a level the company believes approximates its near-term liquidation value.

Gross margin for the fourth quarter for Analog Devices without the Precision Monolithics Division was 50.8 percent of sales, essentially the same as that achieved for the first three quarters of fiscal 1990. Consolidated gross margin of 47.0 percent was negatively impacted by PMD's gross margin ratio, which absorbed a nonrecurring $3.0 million inventory valuation adjustment resulting from the acquisition. Analog's overall gross margin is expected to recover in the first quarter as cost-cutting measures from the restructuring begin to take effect.

The operating expense ratio for the fourth quarter, exclusive of restructuring charges, was 44.4 percent, vs. the third quarter's 45.1 percent. This

included a $1.3 million adverse impact on operating expenses from the weakening dollar.

Operating profit for the fourth quarter was 4.8 percent of sales, exclusive of the $3.0 million inventory adjustment and the $18.5 million restructuring charge. With these nonrecurring charges included, Analog posted a $14.8 million dollar operating loss for the quarter.

Joseph Hinchey, senior vice president-finance, said, "At the time we acquired Precision Monolithics in August we indicated that restructuring charges and other nonrecurring expenses in the fourth quarter would likely total $12 to $15 million. To accommodate the costs associated with our recently-announced organizational changes and other downsizing actions we increased that charge to $18.5 million. We believe that all of the restructuring costs associated with both the integration of PMI and other organizational restructuring that will occur in fiscal 1991 are included in the fourth quarter charge.

"The savings to be realized from the actions anticipated by the fourth quarter restructuring charge will be seen both in fixed manufacturing -- which will benefit gross margin -- and in operating expenses. We expect that the overall favorable impact on operating profit will reach an annual level of about $24 million when fully implemented in mid-fiscal 1992.

"I would like to emphasize," concluded Hinchey, "that Analog remains in very strong financial condition. Our debt-to-equity ratio at year end was 10 percent, even after the $60.5 million cash purchase of Precision Monolithics and the purchase of $14 million of Analog Devices common stock over the course of the year."

Analog Devices is a leading manufacturer of precision high-performance integrated circuits used in analog and digital signal processing applications. The company also manufactures board-level products used in computerized data acquisition and measurement and control applications. The company employs approximately 5,700 people worldwide, and has manufacturing facilities in Massachusetts, California, North Carolina, Ireland, Japan, the Philippines and the United Kingdom.

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WEST PALM BEACH, FL (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - CV Reit, Inc. (NYSE: CVI), a real estate investment trust, today announced it has reached an agreement in principle with Cenvill Development Corp., a major borrower, for the payment of certain loans which, under an extension, matured on Nov. 15, 1990.

The agreement provides for interest to be maintained on a current basis,

increased release prices on certain residential units delivered by Cenvill Development, additional collateral for the loans, and a two-year extension of the term of the loans.

"Upon completion of the definitive loan agreement, the parties expect the loans will be maintained in good standing," Alvin Wilensky, president of CV Reit, said.

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#90345p2045 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Silicon Graphics Inc. (NYSE: SGI) announced today that the company's IRIS POWERVISION(TM) 4D/340VGX was used to interpret and visualize data during the Galileo Earth flyby that took place on Dec. 8, 1990.

Bound for a Jupiter arrival in 1995, Galileo is a NASA spacecraft mission designed to study the planet's atmosphere, satellites and surrounding magnetosphere. In order to reach Jupiter, Galileo is employing a series of gravity assists, one by Venus and two by Earth (Dec. 8, 1990 and 1992). These gravity-assist encounters provide the opportunity for scientists to gather data from the Earth and the Earth-Moon system from deep space.

During the Earth flyby, scientists will use Silicon Graphics' 4D/340VGX to help visualize their research. Specifically, the Earth's magnetosphere data will be transmitted from Galileo to the 4D/340VGX and overlayed on a 3D spherical image of the Earth for realistic representation of the data. The advanced capabilities of the Silicon Graphics graphics system, which includes full scene anti-aliasing and texture mapping, will enable more precise interpretations of the data gathered.

"NASA was our first customer years ago and is a leading edge Silicon Graphics user. Our goal is to continue to partner with top research and development groups, such as NASA, and remain an important part of data-gathering experiments like the Earth flyby," stated Tom Jermoluk, vice president and general manager, Silicon Graphics Advanced Systems Division.

The Galileo Project is managed for NASA's Office of Space Science and Applications by the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. The Galileo Project mission is to reach Jupiter in December 1995, send a scientific probe (provided by NASA Ames Research Center) into the planet's atmosphere, and observe Jupiter, its satellites and magnetosphere from a series of orbits for nearly two years.

Silicon Graphics Inc. is the leading manufacturer of high performance graphics systems, servers and software for visual processing applications. The

company's products, which range from advanced project supercomputers to low-end desktop models and PC graphics subsystems, are used by engineers, scientists and creative professionals in design, analysis, manufacturing and simulation.

IRIS is a registered trademark and IRIS POWERVISION is a trademark of Silicon Graphics Inc.

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#90345p2047 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - To help celebrate its "marriage of convenience" at Baltimore/Washington International Airport between USAir hub operations and its new service, KLM is sending USAir Frequent Travelers in Baltimore; Cleveland; Charlotte, Greensboro/Winston Salem and Raleigh/Durham, N.C.; Orlando, Fla.; Philadelphia; Pittsburgh; Richmond, Va.; and Washington, a $25 "wedding gift" certificate.

The certificate is exchangeable at KLM's BWI ticket counter for a $25 voucher that can be used at any of the duty free shops at Amsterdam International Airport Schiphol if a Baltimore-Amsterdam KLM ticket has been purchased.

The 249 USAir daily jet and USAir Express flights at the BWI hub provide a number of convenient connections to KLM's new service departing every Monday, Friday and Sunday to Amsterdam at 6:05 p.m.

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#90345p2050 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Industry veteran Robert E. Pickeral has joined J.E. Robert Companies as senior vice president and regional manager announced Donald W. Crocker, president and chief operating officer. Pickeral will oversee J.E. Robert Companies' eastern operations, based out of the Alexandria headquarters.

"Bob brings a strong background in the management and disposition of troubled assets to the J.E. Robert Companies' team," said Crocker. "We are excited to have him on board, and expect his experience and skills to immediately impact our burgeoning East Coast operations."

Pickeral served for over 30 years with Riggs National Bank in Washington before leaving earlier this year to form his own real estate consulting firm.

With Riggs National Bank, Pickeral rose to executive vice president in charge of commercial real estate. In this capacity at Riggs, Pickeral was responsible for approximately $2 billion in commitments and assets.

Pickeral's career with Riggs saw him rise from a senior officer trainee through middle management positions before culminating in his executive vice president position. He was directly responsible for the construction lending function of the bank for over 25 years, managing strategic planning, marketing economic analysis, and risk assessment, while setting policy and procedures for the division.

Pickeral holds a bachelor of arts degree in economics from the University of Virginia and has continued graduate studies in international economics at George Washington University. He has served on the National Loan Committee of the Minority Contractors Assistance Project; as a director of the Washington Urban League, and as a director of the District of Columbia Housing Industry Corporation. Pickeral serves or has served on legislative committees for the D.C. Bankers Association, the Washington Board of Realtors, the Metropolitan Washington Mortgage Bankers Association, and the Metropolitan Washington Board of Trade. Pickeral is married with two children and currently resides in McLean, Va.

J.E. Robert Companies is one of the largest asset workout companies in the country and is currently responsible for the management or oversight of nearly $10 billion in assets. Headquartered in Alexandria, the firm has regional offices covering every major national market.

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#90345p2051 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Pfizer Inc. (NYSE: PFE) announced today that it has acquired Strato Medical Corporation of Beverly, Mass., a maker of vascular access products. Terms were not disclosed.

Strato, founded in 1984 and privately owned, develops, manufactures, and markets plastic and metal infusion ports and external catheters used to deliver chemotherapy, antibiotics, and other drugs, primarily for cancer and AIDS patients.

Pfizer also announced that Strato Medical Corporation will report to Richard J. Meelia, president of Infusaid Inc. Infusaid, a subsidiary of Pfizer's Hospital Products Group, based in Norwood, Mass., makes implantable pumps that regulate drug flow.

Meelia said Strato's "physician preference products are experiencing strong growth and fit well with Infusaid's strategic goals." Strato, which markets

its products to hospitals, also "brings a significant research and development component to Infusaid," Meelia said.

Pfizer Inc. is a diversified research-based company with businesses in pharmaceuticals, hospital products, animal health, consumer products, specialty chemicals and specialty minerals. The company reported sales of approximately $5.7 billion for 1989.

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#90345p2052 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HEWLETT, NY (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - In a move that further bolsters Anchor Savings Bank's commitment to become a prime provider of residential mortgages and consumer loans, Chairman and CEO James M. Large, Jr. today announced the appointment of Charles W. Sewright, as president and CEO of Anchor Mortgage Services, Inc., the bank's wholly owned mortgage banking subsidiary based in New Jersey.

Since 1987, Sewright has served as president and CEO of Marine Midland Mortgage Corporation with division responsibilities for Marine Midland's residential mortgage banking business nationwide, including the origination, servicing and secondary marketing activities for retail and wholesale first and second mortgage products. Under Sewright's leadership, Marine Midland was ranked as the largest wholesale mortgage bank in the United States as of December 1989 and the 14th largest mortgage servicer among all mortgage banking firms nationwide.

In announcing Sewright's appointment, Large stated, "In this, Anchor's 'Year of the Loan', we are very excited that Chuck Sewright has decided to come aboard. His outstanding record of achievement at Marine Midland and his broad management experience will provide Anchor with the lending expertise and leadership necessary, if we are to reach our expressed goal of being the preeminent provider of financial services to the consumer."

A contributing author in the first "Asset Securitization Handbook," Sewright holds a B.S. in accounting and an M.B.A. from California State University at Long Beach.

Sewright is a member of the board of trustees of Medaille College in Buffalo; a member of the Fannie Mae National Advisory Board; a member of the Mortgage Bankers of America Board of Governors and Legislative Committee; and vice chairman of the Mortgage Bankers of America State and Local Liaison Committee.

Anchor Savings Bank (NASDAQ: ABKR) is among the 25 largest thrift institutions in the nation with deposits of more than $8.6 billion. It operates branches

in metropolitan New York/New Jersey, upstate New York, Georgia and Florida.

CONTACT: Martin J. Coopersmith of Anchor, 516-596-3950.

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#90345p2054 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLENVIEW, ILL (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - KGF Frozen Products Group, an operating unit of Kraft General Foods, has announced that Timothy J. Kregor has been named vice president, marketing for the group's Dairy Division. He reports to William J. Dowd, president, Dairy Division.

Kregor, 35, most recently was vice president, marketing and strategy for the Frozen Product Group's Tombstone Pizza Division. He joined Kraft in 1978 and has worked in a number of marketing management assignments, including brand and category management assignments on Kraft Singles process cheese food and Philadelphia Brand cream cheese.

Kregor received a B.S. degree in business from Eastern Illinois University and an M.B.A. degree in business administration from the University of Illinois.

Kraft General Foods, with headquarters in Glenview, Ill., is the multinational food business of Philip Morris Companies Inc.

CONTACT: Michael Caruso of Kraft General Foods, 708-998-7028

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#90345p2058 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALEXANDRIA, VA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard O. Haase has joined J.E. Robert Companies as vice president and senior review appraiser, announced Donald W. Crocker, president and chief operating officer, today. Haase will be responsible for all facets of the companies' appraisal division, J.E. Robert Valuation Services, Inc., and will be based out of J.E. Robert Companies' Alexandria headquarters.

Haase comes to J.E. Robert Companies from the Holladay Corporation, a real estate management concern which operates and manages approximately 3,500 apartment units and a number of commercial properties in five states and the District of Columbia. Haase served as a vice president with Holladay, and was responsible for the acquisition of a wide range of commercial properties in addition to appraisal consultation activities for Holladay clients.

Prior to joining the Holladay Corporation in 1983, Haase served the Reagan Administration as Commissioner of Public Buildings Service for the General Services Administration. Haase was responsible for the oversight and management of over 8,600 federally owned and leased buildings throughout the country. Haase administered an annual budget in excess of $2 billion, and

testified regularly before both the Senate and House Public Works Committees.

Previously, Haase headed up his own appraisal and consultation firm, Richard O. Haase, Inc., specializing in real estate investment and appraisal consulting services to a wide range of major financial institutions.

Haase received a bachelor of science degree from the United States Naval Academy, and served with the Strategic Air Command, attaining the rank of captain. He is a member of the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers, the Washington Board of Realtors, and the National Association of Realtors. Haase resides in the District of Columbia.

J.E. Robert Companies is one of the largest asset workout companies in the country and is currently responsible for the management or oversight of over $10 billion in assets. Headquartered in Alexandria, the firm has regional offices covering every major market in the nation.

CONTACT: Ann Stephenson of Stephenson-Jones Communications, 201-439-3660, for J.E. Robert Companies

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#90345p2064 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHAWNEE, OKLA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Barton Industries Inc., (NASDAQ: BART) today provided additional information about the manufacturing problems associated with the company's Pump-Off Plus product line. The problems causing the company's inability to sell the Pump-Off Plus product, as reported in its news release of Dec. 10, 1990, were corrected in September of 1990 and the company is currently selling the product and expects it to be a major revenue and profit contributor in fiscal year 1991.

CONTACT: C. W. Earl Johnson or Victor L. Joyce of Barton Industries Inc., 405-273-7660

-30- 771

#90345p2068 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SKOKIE, ILL. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Brunswick Corp. (NYSE: BC) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 11 cents per share, payable Feb. 28, 1991 to shareholders of record on Feb. 8, 1991.

Headquartered in Skokie, Brunswick Corp. serves worldwide markets in the marine power, pleasure boating, recreation and defense/aerospace areas. Its stock is traded on the New York, Tokyo, London, Pacific and Midwest Stock Exchanges.

CONTACT: Ross Stemer, director of investor relations of Brunswick Corp., 708-470-4851

-30- 712
#90345p2069 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, Minn. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines passenger traffic grew 8.9 percent last month compared with November 1989, NWA Inc., Northwest's parent, said today.

Northwest flew 3.84 billion revenue passenger miles in November, up 8.9 percent from the 3.53 billion revenue passenger miles flown in November 1989. Capacity was up 6.1 percent to 6.23 billion available seat miles in November from 5.87 billion a year earlier. Year-over-year Load factor increased 1.6 points to 61.6 percent.

The airline's cargo ton miles decreased 6.8 percent to 166.6 million from 178.8 million a year earlier.

For the first 11 months of 1990, Northwest flew 47.38 billion revenue passenger miles, an increase of 13.2 percent over the 41.86 billion flown in the first 11 months of 1989. Available seat miles were up 10.6 percent to 70.86 billion from 64.04 billion in 1989. Load factor for the 11-month period increased 1.5 points to 66.9 percent from 65.4 percent. Cargo ton miles were down 3.4 percent to 1.67 billion from 1.73 billion.

NORTHWEST AIRLINES TRAFFIC SUMMARY
System Scheduled Service
(000s omitted)

	November 1990	November 1989	Percent Change
Revenue Passenger Miles	3,839,018	3,526,843	+8.9
Available Seat Miles	6,230,031	5,873,813	+6.1
Passenger Load Factor (pct.)	61.6	60.0	+1.6pts
Cargo Ton Miles	166,621	178,763	-6.8
	11 months 1990	**11 months 1989**	**Percent Change**
Revenue Passenger Miles	47,377,563	41,856,527	+13.2
Available Seat Miles	70,856,726	64,044,927	+10.6
Passenger Load Factor (pct.)	66.9	65.4	+1.5 pts
Cargo Ton Miles	1,671,814	1,729,904	-3.4

CONTACT: Doug Miller, Bob Gibbons or Christy Clapp, of Northwest Airlines, 612-726-2331

-30- 2356
#90345p2070 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Kelly Enterprises Inc., a gourmet coffee, fudge, bakery retailer, celebrates the long awaited new Cafe' and Bakery concept with the opening of two new franchise stores in Arizona.

The first store opened in Phoenix at the Arizona Center. The store is called Kelly's Coffee and Bakery, feturing the finest gourmet coffees, fudge, cheesecake, confections and baker items.

The second location, a Kelly's Cafe' and Bakery, opened in Tempe at Hayden Square. The new units differ only in size and seating capacity and feature a full array of gift items.

Currently, Kelly Enterprises Inc. has more than 15 franchise locations throughout the country with plans to open more stores next year. For more information about franchise opportunities or products write to: Kelly Enterprises Inc., 15251 Barranca Parkway, Irvine, CA 92718 or call 714-727-3764.

CONTACT: William Halliburton, VP and Chief Operating Officer of Kelly Enterprises Inc., 714-727-3764

-30- 1165

#90345p2072 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Tennant (NASDAQ: TANT) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 30 cents per share payable Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record Dec. 21, 1990.

There are 4.9 million shares of common stock currently outstanding. This will be the 188th consecutive quarterly cash dividend to be paid by Tennant. Full year 1990 dividend payments of $1.18 per share, an increase of 7 percent from 1989's full year payout, results in the 19th consecutive year of increase.

Tennant is the world's leading manufacturer of floor maintenance equipment.

CONTACT: Richard Snyder of Tennant, 612-540-1208

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#90345p2073 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Promatek Industries Ltd. today released it's financial results for its year ending June 30, 1990 and for its first quarter ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for the year ending June 30, 1990 were approximately $6,400,000 as compared to $7,000,000 in the previous year. Net loss for the year was approximately $1,700,000 or $0.49 per share. Net loss for the corresponding period was approximately $97,000 or $0.03 per share.

Sales for the first quarter were approximately $1,500,000 as compared to $1,400,000 in the corresponding period of the previous year. Net income for the first quarter was $22,000 or $0.01 per share. Net loss for the corresponding period of the previous year was $168,000 or $0.05 per share.

CONTACT: Harvey Kofsky, president of Promatek Industries, 514-737-7747

-30- 994

#90345p2078 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Consolidated Natural Gas Company (NYSE: CNG) today raised the quarterly dividend to 47 cents a share from 46 cents a share and approved a capital budget of $501 million for 1991, up from projected 1990 spending of approximately $390 million.

The increase in the dividend, to an annual rate of $1.88 a share, marks the 26th consecutive year in which CNG has raised its payout to shareholders. The new dividend is payable Feb. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 15, 1991.

Included in the $501 million of planned expenditures are $131 million for exploration and production programs, $207 million for interstate gas transmission and storage projects, and $162 million for gas distribution projects. Subject to federal regulatory approval, CNG will begin construction in 1991 on the first phase of a two-year program to expand pipeline capacity by 350 million cubic feet a day from Lebanon, Ohio, on the western edge of Consolidated's interstate transmission system, to the Leidy storage field in central Pennsylvania, where CNG connects to pipelines serving the East Coast. Construction will also begin in 1991 on a 120-mile intrastate pipeline to be operated by CNG's Virginia Natural Gas, Inc., subsidiary that will connect the CNG system west of Washington, to the Richmond and Norfolk areas.

Consolidated Natural Gas Company is one of the country's largest producers, transporters and distributors of natural gas. Its primary marketing areas for natural gas are in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, New York and other states in the Northeast. The company explores for and produces gas and oil throughout the United States and in Canada.

CONTACT: John Conti of Consolidated Natural Gas, 412-227-1133

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#90345p2080 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Equimark Corp. (NYSE: EQK) today announced that it has declared regular quarterly cash dividends on three series of Equimark's preferred stock.

The dividends are payable Dec. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record as of Dec. 21, 1990. The dividends declared are:

-- $0.5775 per share on its $2.31 cumulative convertible preferred stock; -- $2.25 per share on its Series A cumulative convertible preferred stock; and -- A dividend on its Series D cumulative convertible preferred stock at a rate per annum per share equal to five basis points below the Federal Reserve's published daily federal funds rate, as defined in the Certificate of Designation for such series.

No quarterly cash dividend was declared on Equimark's common stock. Equimark Corp. is a diversified financial services institution with $3.5 billion in assets. Equimark's principal subsidiaries are Equibank, the Liberty Financial Group Inc., EquiManagement Inc. and Treasure Valley Bancorp Inc. Equibank, with assets of $2.8 billion, operates 55 offices in southwestern Pennsylvania. Liberty is the parent of Liberty Savings Bank, a Philadelphia-based, FDIC-insured savings bank with 21 offices and assets of $688 million. EquiManagement provides management consulting services primarily to financial institutions. Treasure Valley Bancorp Inc., is the parent of Treasure Valley Bank, an FDIC-insured bank with assets of $83 million and eight offices in southwestern Idaho.

CONTACT: Michael E. Jehle of Equimark Corp., 412-288-5801

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#90345p2087 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

YONKERS, NY (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - National HMO Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: NHMO) today announced that the company and A Round The Clock Temporary Services Inc. a licensed home health care agency in Suffolk County, N.Y., have entered into agreements for the company to acquire either the assets or shares of stock of A Round The Clock Temporary Services Inc. for approximately $725,000 in cash. The closing of the transaction will occur after appropriate regulatory consents are obtained.

CONTACT: Robert P. Heller, CFO of National HMO, 914-776-2800

-30- 723

#90345p2089 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WICHITA, KAN. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Fourth Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: FRTH) Chairman Jordan L. Haines announced today that he will retire from the company on June 30, 1991. The influential Kansas banker has been a leader in shaping the state's banking industry while building the BANK IV franchise. Fourth Financial, a $4.2-billion multi-bank holding company, is Kansas' largest financial services company.

Darrell G. Knudson, vice chairman and director of the Minneapolis-based First

Bank System Inc., was elected vice chairman of Fourth Financial by the company's board of directors today, effective Dec. 31, 1990. The 53-year-old executive was also named to the board of directors. Knudson will become chairman and chief executive officer upon Haines' retirement.

As chairman of the board of Fourth Financial and BANK IV Wichita for over seven years, Haines' name is synonymous with Kansas banking and civic leadership. A native Kansan, Haines began his banking career in 1957 with the First National Bank of Arizona. He joined BANK IV Wichita in 1962 as vice president and manager of the Business Development Department. After holding several management positions, Haines was elected president of Fourth Financial and BANK IV Wichita in 1969. In 1983, he was elected chairman of the board. Since 1969, the BANK IV holding company has grown from a $290-million one-bank holding company to a $4.2-billion 12-bank holding company. After his retirement, Haines will remain a member of the holding company's board of directors and executive committee.

Knudson's 32-year banking career with First Bank System Inc., a $20-billion bank holding company with over 9,000 employees serving a seven-state region, began with First Bank in South Dakota in 1958. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan's Management program and the Harvard Business School's Advanced Management program. The South Dakota native attended Augustana College in Sioux Falls.

Headquartered in Wichita, Fourth Financial owns and manages the BANK IV network of commerical bank subsidiaries throughout Kansas. The company's nonbank subsidiaries include a consumer lending company and a credit life insurance company. Its common stock is traded in the national over-the-counter market. The NASDAQ symbol is "FRTH."

CONTACT: R. Brent Thompson of Fourth Financial Corp., 316-261-4403

-30- 2573

#90345p2095 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WORCESTER, MA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Hanover Insurance Company (NASDAQ: HINS) on Dec. 11, 1990, declared a quarterly dividend of 11 cents per share payable Feb. 15, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 18, 1991.

The Hanover Insurance Company has paid dividends each year since 1853.

CONTACT: Barnett D. Ovrut of The Hanover Insurance Company, 508-853-7200, ext. 2512

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#90345p2096 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOPEKA, KS (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Kansas Power and Light Company (NYSE: KAN) and the Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE) today jointly filed an application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to approve their merger.

The completion of the merger is subject, among other things, to obtaining all necessary governmental and regulatory approvals and consents for merger. KPL previously filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission on Nov. 21, 1990, and KPL and KG&E jointly filed with the Kansas Corporation Commission on Nov. 20, 1990, to approve the merger. Approval of the merger by the KG&E shareholders and approval for an increase in authorized common shares by KPL shareholders are also necessary.

Under the terms of the merger agreement, unanimously approved by the boards of both companies, each share of KG&E common stock will be converted to $32 in cash or approximately $32 in value of KPL common stock pursuant to a cash election merger. KG&E will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of KPL and maintain its Wichita, Kan., headquarters.

KPL provides natural gas service throughout much of Kansas, western Missouri, and northeastern Oklahoma and electric service to northeast and central Kansas. It has about 1.06 million gas customers and 300,000 electric customers. It employs 4,600 people and is headquartered in Topeka. KG&E, an electric utility employing 1,330 people, serves more than 250,000 customers in southcentral and southeast Kansas.

CONTACT: Edward Schaub of Kansas Power and Light Company, (913) 296-1927, or Lyle Koerper of Kansas Gas and Electric Company, (316) 261-6207, or Jeffrey Taufield or Richard Cendo of Kekst and Company, (212) 593-2655, for Kansas Power and Light.

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#90345p2097 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILKES-BARRE, PA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - In keeping with plans announced in November, First Eastern Corp. (NASDAQ: FEBC) today announced it will make a $38 million special provision for loan losses in the fourth quarter.

This provision will result in a loss after tax credits of $16 million or between $1.60 and $1.75 a share for the fourth quarter. That loss will bring results for the year into a range of a profit of approximately $.05 to a loss of approximately $.10 per share.

The need for this special provision, announced Nov. 21, is the result of a combination of factors. These include a reappraisal of First Eastern's loan portfolio in the light of the national downturn in the economy, an accelerating decline in Pocono real estate values and tighter regulatory standards as revealed in a regularly scheduled examination by the office of

the Comptroller of the Currency conducted from October to early December.

"The Comptroller's examination surprised us with its tougher standards and severity," said Richard M. Ross, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of First Eastern Corp. "But after considering the general economic climate and the situation in the Poconos, we decided to make an even larger special provision than the $30 million that the examiners requested. This decision will put us in a stronger position going forward into 1991."

The additional $8 million will be used to write down nonaccrual loans which will equal about $75 million after the write down. Loan loss reserves should equal about 2 percent of loans outstanding at year end. This is a considerable increase from the 1.11 percent at year end 1989.

Despite disappointing results in 1990, First Eastern Corp. remains a strongly capitalized, conservatively managed company, according to Ross. Equity to assets is projected to be 6.7 percent at the end of the quarter. The total risk based capital will be just under 10 percent and Tier 1 capital will be 8.3 percent. All of these ratios are substantially higher than proposed regulatory requirements and are considered favorably comparable to peer averages.

First Eastern expects to return to profitability in the first quarter of 1991. While earnings will be under pressure because of the economic outlook and the level of nonperforming assets, measures taken to control operating costs, many of which were initiated before the special provision was requested, will help.

First Eastern Corp. is a $3 billion bank holding company which owns two banks, First Eastern Bank and Peoples First National Bank and Trust Company, Hazleton with a total of 64 offices all located in northeastern Pennsylvania. It also owns several relatively small subsidiaries which provide related financial services operating either within the same service area or in locations which are closely adjacent to it.

CONTACT: Richard M. Ross Jr., chairman and CEO, 717-826-4621, or William R. Mainwaring, president, 717-826-4634, or John W. Adonizio, treasurer (analysts) 717-821-4420, all of First Eastern.

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#90345p2098 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) issued the following debenture pricing:

Date of Offering:	Dec. 12, 1990	Price:	99.75
Issue Date:	Dec. 17, 1990	Term:	10 years
Interest Rate:	8.25 percent		
Yield:	8.287 percent	Amount (millions):	$700

Maturity Date: 12/18/00 Date of First
Interest Payment
(then semi-annually): 06/18/91

The net proceeds of this offering will be added to the working capital of the Federal National Mortgage Association and used for general corporate purposes.

Debentures will be issued in book-entry form only. The minimum purchase is $10,000 and multiples of $5,000 thereafter. The offering is being made through Fannie Mae's Senior Vice President - Finance and Treasurer, Gary L. Perlin, and Vice President and Assistant Treasurer, Linda K. Knight, 3900 Wisconsin Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016, assisted by a nationwide selling group of recognized securities dealers.

The issues that are offered on Dec. 12, 1990, will be free to trade at 8:20 a.m. Eastern Standard Time.

CONTACT: Tom Marder of Fannie Mae, 202-752-7608

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#90345p2100 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
HIGH POINT, NC (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Culp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CULP) today reported that its Board of Directors has declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.0275 (two and three-fourths cents) per share, payable January 9, 1991, to shareholders of record on December 26, 1990.

Culp, Inc. is a leading manufacturer and marketer of fabrics for the furniture bedding, recreational vehicle and institutional furnishings markets. The company's common shares are traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CULP.

CONTACT: Frank Saxon, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Culp, Inc., 919-888-6266

-30- 791
#90345p2101 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - A Minnegasco affiliate, Arkla, Inc., has been recommended by the University of Minnesota finance and physical plant staff to generate steam heat for the University for the next 25 years.

If approved by the Board of Regents, the project would replace the present coal-fired equipment with boilers burning natural gas. The conversion and upgrading of the heating plants would take three years and be completed in 1994.

The proposal guarantees fuel prices for 15 years and guarantees capital costs

for 25 years, limiting the University's risk of uncertain future fuel costs and construction cost overruns.

The conversion and operation of the plants will be managed by Minneapolis Energy Center, Inc. (MECI), which manages the Minneapolis Energy Center. That district heating plant supplies steam heat to three-quarters of the downtown Minneapolis core, or 30 million square feet of commercial and office space.

(The proposal the staff recommended was originally submitted by Diversified Energies, Inc. (DEI), then Minnesgasco's parent company. Since a Nov. 29 merger, MECI became a subsidiary and Minnegasco became an operating unit of Arkla, Inc. (NYSE: ALG), of Shreveport, La., one of the nation's largest diversified energy companies.)

The result of the conversion to natural gas, according to University and Arkla officials, would be cleaner air, the elimination of coal- storage piles at both campuses and of the necessity of burying coal ash in already overburdened landfills.

The University's three coal-fired plants -- two on the Minneapolis river bank and one on the St. Paul campus -- have boilers with an average age of 35 years. A new natural gas system will increase fuel efficiency while greatly reducing such air pollutants as nitrogen dioxide, sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide, lead and particulate matter. Arkla estimates that carbon dioxide and sulfur dioxide emissions -- those responsible for the greenhouse effect and acid rain -- will be cut by more than half over the old plants.

CONTACT: Kristine Sundberg of Minnegasco, 612-342-4833; or Bruce Benidt of Mona, Meyer & McGrath, 612-339-6368, for Minnegasco

-30- 2388

#90345p2102 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLAINS, PA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Children's Discovery Centers of America Inc. (NASDAQ: CDCRA) and Magic Years Child Care and Learning Centers Inc. (NASDAQ: KIDS), two leading providers of child care services, today announced that they have executed a merger agreement pursuant to which Magic Years will become a wholly owned subsidiary of CDC.

Subject to obtaining stockholder approvals and the satisfaction of certain other conditions, the merger is expected to be consummated in the latter part of the first quarter of 1991. As a result of the merger, each share of Magic Years common stock and preferred stock (on a common stock equivalent basis) will be exchanged for .4925 of a share of CDC Class A common stock.

CDC operates 59 day care centers, with the majority located in California, the Midwest and New England. Its revenues for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, totalled approximately $15,720,000 and

$12,904,000, respectively.

Magic Years currently operates 33 child care centers, which are located principally in Pennsylvania and also in other mid-Atlantic states. It is a leader in employer-based child care services, with particular emphasis on furnishing day care for hospital employees. Its revenues for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, and the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, totalled approximately $7,830,000 and $5,993,000, respectively.

Richard A. Niglio, president and chief executive officer of CDC, said, "The merger makes a great deal of sense strategically and should substantially enhance CDC's prospects for growth and profitability by enabling both CDC and Magic Years to achieve substantial cost efficiencies. In addition, the merger will accelerate CDC's acquisition program into the Magic Years' markets, which are proximate to CDC's growing base in the Northeast. Also, the merger will significantly reinforce CDC's competitive position in the important emerging market for employer-subsidized child care centers."

The merger agreement contemplates that, immediately following consummation of the merger, CDC will distribute to the stockholders of CDC (including stockholders of Magic Years who exchange their shares pursuant to the merger) rights to purchase additional shares of CDC Class A common stock on a pro rata basis at a price not to exceed $1.50 per share. The maximum net proceeds which CDC is seeking to raise from this rights offering is $5 million. The rights will be exercisable for a period not to exceed 45 days after issuance. Certain of CDC's institutional stockholders, as well as Magic Years' largest stockholder, have committed to purchase an aggregate of $1,350,000 of CDC stock through exercise of the rights.

Paul J. Reilly, president and chief operating officer of Magic Years, said, "The merger and subsequent rights offering will give Magic Years' shareholders ownership in a company with the human resources and capital necessary for continued growth in the employer-related child care market."

In addition, CDC announced today that is has completed the sale of its wholly owned subsidiary, Mary Moppet's Day Care Schools Inc., to American Child Care Centers Inc., a privately owned operator of child care centers in Los Angeles. The sale, which had been authorized by the CDC board of directors in July of this year in response to continuing losses incurred by the subsidiary, provides for payment of the purchase price in a combination of cash and a note.

CONTACT: Richard A. Niglio, president and CEO, or Frank A. Devine of Children's Discovery Centers of America, 415-459-1291, or Paul J. Reilly, president and COO of Magic Years Child Care and Learning Centers, 717-825-5437

-30- 3931

#90345p2103 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE, MD (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - A Hackensack, N.J. businessman was sentenced to two years imprisonment and two years of supervised parole for his role in an international conspiracy to export and divert a radar tracking system used by the U.S. military to Czechoslovakia. The WJ-38000 ELINT radar system is used to identify and locate enemy aircraft.

U.S. Customs Special Agent in Charge of the Baltimore office, Donald G. Turnbaugh and Baltimore U.S. Attorney Breckenridge L. Willcox announced that Saul M. Lieberman, 54 years old, was sentenced on Friday, Nov. 18, 1990 by the Honorable John R. Hargrove in Baltimore, Md.

In addition, Herbert Hoffman, a German citizen and Lieberman's co-conspirator, was today given the same sentence.

In a plot that began in October 1988, Lieberman and Hoffman attempted the export and diversion of the radar system. Customs special agents learned of the plot and worked undercover for 18 months to stop it.

CONTACT: Patrick O'Malley of U.S. Customs Service, 617-565-6215

-30- 1209

#90345p2104 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOLLAND, MICH (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Donnelly Corporation (AMEX: DON) of Holland, and Optical Shields, Inc. of Menlo Park, Calif., today announced that they have reached agreement on a joint venture to commercialize surface mode liquid crystal technology for eye protection.

The new joint venture will be named OSD Envizion Company. It will be a long-term venture which will ultimately be owned on a 50/50 basis by both parent companies. The venture will initially operate from a part of the Optical Shields' facility in Menlo Park.

OSD Envizion has begun producing sophisticated electronic welding helmet lenses which will automatically darken in response to the flash of a welding arc in only a few millionths of a second. The lens utilizes surface mode LCD technology. This new patented technology allows these lenses to respond about 1,000 times faster than electronic welding lenses based on conventional twisted nematic liquid crystal technology and effectively protects the eyes of the welder without having to flip the helmet down over the eyes before beginning to work. The lens will also lighten immediately after welding work is completed.

Donnelly has been working closely with Optical Shields for a number of months to assess the market for welding helmet lenses and to develop this agreement. The world market for electronic welding helmet products is currently estimated in excess of $50 million and is growing rapidly. The new venture has already received orders for lens components and has begun manufacturing and supplying

product.

Donnelly Corporation is an international company dedicated to serving customers around the world with high-quality fabricated, molded and coated glass products for the transportation and electronics markets. The company has been based in Holland, Mich., since 1905, and today operates from 12 separate facilities in western Michigan.

Donnelly is publicly held and is also recognized as a leader in the application of participative management practices.

Optical Shields is the leading innovator of liquid crystal-based light control systems. The company was founded in 1987 by James L. Fergason to commercialize his pioneering work in high-speed surface mode liquid crystal cells and to undertake additional research and development activities involving liquid crystal-based optical protection devices.

CONTACT: Maryam Komejan of Donnelly Corporation, 616-394-2437

-30- 2649

#90345p2105 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

TUCSON, ARIZ. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) set two all-time boarding records at Tucson International Airport during the month of November.

More passengers boarded Delta flights at Tucson during November than any other month in its history of service here. The 17,663 passenger total surpassed the old monthly record set in March 1990 by over 400 passengers.

Delta also set a new daily boarding record on Sunday, Nov. 25, as 1,045 passengers flew Delta from Tucson. That broke the old record of 935 passengers set just a month earlier on Oct. 28, 1990.

"These new records continue to demonstrate that the community is not only aware of Delta's expanded schedule here, but also has discovered our unique style of passenger service," pointed out Steve Tipsword, Delta's district marketing manager. "We also recognize the impact area resorts have had as they worked with Delta in establishing Tucson as a premier resort destination."

Tipsword noted that Delta set the new records during a period when the airport's overall boardings were down.

CONTACT: Steve Tipsword of Delta Air Lines, 602-886-7178

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#90345p2107 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Peter T. McHugh, a veteran of 25 years in the airline business, has been elected chief operating officer of Pan American World Airways, Thomas G. Plaskett, chairman and chief executive officer of Pan Am and its parent company, Pan Am Corporation (NYSE: PN), said today.

McHugh, formerly executive vice president-marketing and sales for Pan Am, will retain his position as executive vice president-office of the chairman at the parent company.

In his new position with the airline, McHugh will be responsible for all passenger and cargo marketing, sales reservations, airline planning and scheduling, field services, inflight and dining services, flight operations, aircraft maintenance and engineering, and properties and facilities.

"The naming of Peter as chief operating officer will allow us to better coordinate all of the activities involved in the day-to-day operations of the airline, and to accelerate the progress we have made in the past few years in improving the marketing and operations of the company," said Plaskett. "Peter's many years of experience in the industry make him well qualified for this challenge," Plaskett added

Also reporting to McHugh are Pan Am Corporation's two other airline subsidiaries, Pan Am Shuttle and Pan Am Express. He serves on the boards of directors of both.

McHugh, 43, first joined Pan Am in March 1988 as senior vice president-marketing. He previously worked for more than 20 years at Trans World Airlines in various positions, including that of senior vice president-marketing and sales.

McHugh joined TWA in 1965 as a part-time reservations agent and continued to work part-time while he completed his education and served in Vietnam in the U.S. Army Infantry as a first lieutenant. He became a full-time employee at TWA as a reservations procedure analyst.

He later held positions in yield management, travel agent marketing, airline planning and passenger services. In 1980, he was elected vice president-passenger service planning and later served as vice president-passenger marketing, vice president-international division and senior vice president-marketing and sales. In October 1986, he was named to develop and implement the concept of a 24-hour cable television network focused on worldwide travel.

CONTACT: Pamela Hanlon of Pan Am, (212) 880-6183.

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#90345p2111 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

COEUR D'ALENE, ID (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp. (NYSE: CDE) announced today that it had acquired the five percent interest held by the Hecla Mining Co. (NYSE, PSE: HL) in the Coeur Mine, located in the Coeur d'Alene Mining District of North Idaho. The acquisition increases Coeur d'Alene Mines' interest in the mine to 45 percent.

CONTACT: Arthur C. Johnson of Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp., 208-667-3511

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#90345p2122 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Angio-Medical Corp. today announced the signing of a license agreement granting Difa Cooper S.p.A., a pharmaceutical company based in Italy, rights to manufacture and market skin care products utilizing Angio's patented O.L. Complex in the European Economic Community, Switzerland and Austria. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

As a result of a serious working capital problem, the company's business activities are limited to:

1 -- Selling raw material to Amway and Synchronal Corp. for the manufacturing and distribution of the company's hair product; and

2 -- Seeking additional working capital through the negotiation of license agreements.

The company's entire staff, which has been reduced to three people, devotes its full time to these efforts.

The company has ceased activities related to any new product development. Due to the company's lack of sufficient funds, it has been unable to satisfy the reporting requirements under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. If additional financing is not obtained, the company will not be able to continue operations beyond March 1, 1991.

CONTACT: Jan S. Mirsky, vice president of Angio-Medical, 212-582-7860

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#90345p2125 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - AMDURA Corp. (NYSE: ADU), which recently filed a proposed plan of reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, today announced a net loss of $214.6 million for its fiscal year ended Dec. 31 1989, including a loss from discontinued operations of $156.4 million and a loss from continuing operations of $58.2 million. The loss from continuing operations includes nonrecurring expenses of $19.4 million, interest expense of $35 million, with all interest expense being allocated to continuing operations, and all corporate expenses for the consolidated business, offset

by operating profits of $10.3 million from the company's 100-percent owned manufacturing businesses. The loss from discontinued operations includes a write-off of intangibles of $125 million. AMDURA's continuing businesses reported total revenues of $160.2 million for the period. For the fiscal year ended Nov. 30, 1988, AMDURA had net income of $6.6 million in total revenues of $130.7 million.

AMDURA's 100-percent owned manufacturing businesses, The Crosby Group Inc. ("Crosby") and The Harris Waste Management Group Inc. ("Harris"), reported operating profits of $10.3 million in 1989, before corporate, non-recurring and interest expenses, and have been operating profitably in 1990, although at reduced levels from comparable 1989 results.

AMDURA's 57-percent owned subsidiary, Vac-Tec Systems Inc. ("Vac-Tec"), reported a net loss of $3.3 million in 1988 and $2.7 million in 1989. Vac-Tec has reported a net loss of $917,000 for the first three quarters of 1990.

The company's results of operations for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, have been adversely affected by, among other things, 1990 events, which under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, are required to be reflected in AMDURA's 1989 consolidated financial statements.

On April 2, 1990, AMDURA Corp. and its hardlines distribution subsidiaries, including AMDURA National Distribution Co. and Coast to Coast Stores Inc., which was acquired in December 1988, filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy code in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Denver. AMDURA's manufacturing subsidiaries, The Crosby Group, The Harris Waste Management Group and Vac-Tec Systems, were not included in the filing and are not in bankruptcy.

In order to realize the value of its hardlines distribution businesses, Coast to Coast Stores and AMDURA National Distribution, subsequent to the bankruptcy filing in April 1990, the company announced its decision to dispose of these businesses. AMDURA sold significant portions of their assets in August and October, 1990, respectively.

On Nov. 30, 1990, AMDURA filed a plan of reorganization with the United States Bankruptcy Court in Denver, under which it proposes to emerge from Chapter 11 and be reorganized in a manner allowing it to retain Crosby, Harris, Vac-Tec and certain other assets.

With the filing of the proposed plan of reorganization, Crosby, Harris, and Vac-Tec have been reclassified and are shown as continuing operations. The company previously had contemplated the divestiture of all these units and had shown them as discontinued in its financial statements for the third quarter of 1989.

The Crosby Group, headquartered in Tulsa, Okla., is a leading manufacturer of

fittings for wire rope and chain. The Harris Waste Management Group, headquartered in Minneapolis, is a leading manufacturer of equipment for the recycling and waste management industry. Vac-Tec Systems, headquartered in Boulder, Colo., manufactures equipment used to apply decorative and industrial coatings.

CONTACT: D. Scott Ross of AMDURA Corp., 612-699-7700

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#90345p2126 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
IRVINE, CALIF (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Frank L. Meyskens Jr., director of the UCI Clinical Cancer Center, has been appointed to the Oncology Times Editorial Board.

The "Times" is a widely read, national newspaper providing scientific, political, and economic news for medical oncologists, surgeons, radiotherapists, nurses, social workers and other specialists involved in the cancer field.

Editorial board members serve as advisers, editors, and expert sources of information for the publication. Only physicians who have broad experience in treatment and care of cancer patients and who have distinguished themselves in cancer research are selected as editorial board members.

Meyskens, chief of hematology/oncology at UCI Medical Center, is an internationally renowned researcher in melanoma, a potentially fatal skin cancer, and an authority on cancer prevention.

The UCI Clinical Cancer Center is a service of UCI Medical Center in Orange. To contact the cancer center, call 714-634-5081.

CONTACT: Leslie Ann Cyril of the UCI Clinical Cancer Center, 714-634-6130

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#90345p2128 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOISE, IDAHO (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Boise Cascade Corp. (NYSE: BCC) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 38 cents per common share, payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 21, 1990.

CONTACT: Scott Lamb of Boise Cascade Corp., 208-384-7675, or after hours, 208-343-8380

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#90345p2129 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Shopping Network, Inc.

(NYSE: HSN), the nation's leading electronic retailer, announced record net sales for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ending Nov. 30, 1990. Net sales increased $36.5 million, or 14.3 percent to a record $291.7 million, compared with net sales of $255.2 million in the same period last year. Gross profit margin declined to 37.1 percent vs. 39.4 percent last year due to a more competitive retail environment.

For the first quarter of fiscal 1991, earnings before extraordinary item reached $12.0 million, or $.13 per share, compared with $15.2 million, or $.16 per share in the comparable period last year. Net earnings for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, were $12.5 million, or $.14 per share, compared to $20.2 million, or $.21 per share in the same period last year. In the first quarter of fiscal 1991, HSN recognized an extraordinary after tax gain from the repurchase of long-term obligations of $.5 million, or $.01 per share, compared with an after tax gain of $5.0 million, or $.05 per share in the comparable period last year.

Roy M. Speer, chairman and chief executive officer, stated, "Although the economy has demonstrated signs of a slowdown, we are pleased with HSN's performance." Speer continued, "I believe our commitment to customer satisfaction, together with the convenience of shopping from home, will allow us to maintain our sales momentum throughout fiscal 1991."

HOME SHOPPING NETWORK FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (UNAUDITED)
(In thousands, except per share data)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED	
	11/30/90	11/30/89
Net Sales	$291.7	$255.2
Earnings Before Extraordinary Item	$ 12.0	$ 15.2
Extraordinary Item, Net	.5	5.0
Net Earnings	$ 12.5	$ 20.2
Earnings Per Share:		
Earnings Before Extraordinary Item	$ .13	$ .16
Extraordinary Item, Net	.01	.05
Net Earnings	$ .14	$ .21
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding	91,544	96,288

CONTACT: Home Shopping Network, Inc. corporate communications, 800-284-0469

-30- 2440

#90345p2132 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Transco Energy Co. (NYSE: E) Board of Directors today declared quarterly dividends of $1.1875 per share on the $4.75 series cumulative convertible preferred stock and $.955 per share on the 9.25 percent cumulative convertible preferred stock. Each preferred dividend is payable Feb. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record Jan. 15, 1991.

CONTACT: Katherine E. Kemper of Transco Energy Co., 713-439-2455

-30- 584

#90345p2140 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert L. Gould, a pilot with more than 25 years experience in airline operations, was today named president and chief operating officer of Eastern Airlines.

The appointment of Gould, 52, was made by Eastern Chief Executive Martin R. Shugrue Jr. Gould was introduced to Eastern's senior management today and assumed his new responsibilities immediately.

Gould comes to Eastern from Pan American World Airways where he was senior vice president, operations.

At Pan Am, Gould had senior responsibility for the airline's maintenance and engineering operations, logistics, inventory management, flight operations, purchasing, system control and environmental affairs.

Throughout his career at Pan Am, which began as a line pilot in 1965, Gould achieved a number of "firsts" in the airline industry.

Having been elected head of the pilots union at Pan Am in 1982, Gould successfully structured and implemented the first employee stock ownership plan (ESOP) in the industry. As a result of this accomplishment, Gould was named to serve on Pan Am's board of directors, the first labor representative to hold such a position in the airline industry.

After taking a management position with Pan Am in 1986, Gould was named senior vice president Airline and Strategic Planning in 1987. In this capacity, he developed Pan Am's first comprehensive long range strategic plan that, among other things, led to the first-ever utilization of fuel efficient, twin engine aircraft on trans-Atlantic and South American routes.

Gould served five years in the U.S. Marine Corps and received a bachelor's degree in economics from Yale University in 1965. He is married and has seven children.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, 305-873-3773, or 305-873-6360

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#90345p2141 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MI (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Great Lakes Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: GLBC) said that it will not extend or revise the previously announced deadline on

its exchange offer for its convertible subordinated debentures.

The deadline for the offer remains 5 p.m. EST today, Tuesday, Dec. 11, 1990.

Guaranteed delivery procedures are available through the exchange offer agent IBJ Schroder Bank & Trust, telephone 212-858-2391.

CONTACT: Robert Jaskolski, treasurer, Great Lakes Bancorp, 313-930-6106

-30- 661

#90345p2144 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Sears, Roebuck and Co. (NYSE: S) and the Dean Witter Financial Services Group announced that Sears indirect wholly-owned subsidiary, Discover Receivables Financing Group, Inc., today expect to offer for sale $500 million of Discover Card Trust 1990 E 8.375 percent Class A Credit Card Pass-Through Certificates through an underwriting syndicate managed by Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co.

The securities are expected to be priced at 99.577 percent of par plus accrued interest from Dec. 1, 1990, resulting in a yield of 8.56 percent.

The principal asset of Discover Card Trust 1990 E will consist of credit card receivables generated or to be generated by the Discover Card. The certificates will represent undivided ownership interests in the Trust. The certificates will be rated Aaa by Moody's, AAA by Standard & Poor's and AAA by Duff & Phelps.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

A copy of the prospectus may be obtained from Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., Two World Trade Center, New York, N.Y. 10048 or Goldman, Sachs & Co., Prospectus Department, 85 Broad Street, New York, N.Y. 10004.

CONTACT: Gerald E. Buldak national manager-external communications of Sears, 312-875-8371

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#90345p2145 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

OSAKA, JAPAN (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - A consortium whose lead members are The

Austin Company of the United States and Kawasaki Heavy Industries of Japan announced today that it had been selected to provide the baggage-handling system at Kansai International Airport, now under construction on a manmade island in Osaka Bay.

The baggage-handling project comprises design, engineering, procurement, fabrication, construction and installation of the system.

A significant proportion of the equipment for the baggage-handling system will be procured from U.S. manufacturers, the consortium said.

In confirming the award, the Kansai International Airport Company Ltd., the development authority, estimated that the project would cost approximately U.S. $50 million.

The award signals the largest civil construction project in which an American company is participating since the U.S.-Japan construction agreement was reached on May 25, 1988.

Under that agreement, the Japanese government said it would ensure that American companies would be able to compete for construction of public works, such as airport projects.

Formed five years ago, the consortium, in addition to The Austin Company and Kawasaki Heavy Industries, includes Beumer Machinenfabrik KG of Beckum, Germany.

The Austin/Kawasaki/Beumer team is planning a state-of-the- technology system that will be one of the largest baggage-handling installations in the world.

The advanced system will have four principal components serving, respectively, international arrivals, international departures, domestic arrivals and domestic departures.

Baggage for international departures will be checked in at a counter on the third level of the passenger terminal. It will then be conveyed down to the first level by a vertical conveyor, using the automatic sortation system to direct it to its build up station and final destination.

The award of the baggage handling system to the Austin/Kawasaki/ Beumer consortium reflects recognition of the special expertise that each member will contribute to the program, according to officials of the Kansai International Airport Company.

The Austin Company is a global pacesetter in the design, engineering and construction of airport-support facilities. Austin is also recognized worldwide as a leader in logistics, materials handling, distribution and systems integration.

Kawasaki Heavy Industries, headquartered in the Kansai region, is a 112-year-old manufacturer of material-handling equipment, with worldwide experience in applications of technology to transportation by air, land and sea.

The Austin Company is an international organization of consultants, designers, engineers and constructors. Austin serves industrial, commercial, governmental and institutional markets. Headquartered in Cleveland, where it was founded in 1878, the company operates through 40 offices in North America, Europe, Australia and Japan. Austin has maintained an office in Tokyo for 18 years, and has completed some 75 contracts for Japanese clients worldwide. Austin is also associated with companies in Brazil and Italy.

Kawasaki Heavy Industries, Ltd., established in 1878, heads one of the largest and most diversified industrial groups in Japan.

KHI is active in such business segments as aircraft, plant engineering, machinery, small engines and motorcycles.

The company has 16 manufacturing plants in Japan and 13 plants overseas, including those of subsidiaries and affiliates.

Beumer, founded in 1935 in Beckum, Westphalia, Germany, specializes in transport equipment, mining machinery and iron and sheet metal work. It is regarded as one of the leading manufacturers of conveying, loading, palletizing, packaging and distributing equipment.

CONTACT: Marvin Epstein of The Austin Company, 216-291-6644

-30- 4071

#90345p2146 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Kemper Capital Markets (KCM) today announced the formation of an executive committee at the firm. The announcement was made by KCM President James Fitzgerald.

"The Kemper Capital Markets Executive Committee will be responsible for managing KCM as an entity, and for providing direction and focus for the firm " Fitzgerald said. "This committee represents our senior management team at KCM," he said. "I am pleased and excited to be promoting these individuals to this important assignment."

The KCM Executive Committee includes Fitzgerald and Robert Davis Jr., Peter Lahti, Richard Morton, Thomas Reedy, and J. Douglas Casey. Fitzgerald said in conjunction with the announcement, three of the members named had been promoted from senior vice president to executive vice president, and given expanded responsibilities at the firm.

Robert Davis Jr., a senior vice president who was co-director of the municipal bond department, was promoted to executive vice president and manager of that department. Peter Lahti, KCM senior vice president and taxable fixed-income group national sales manager, was promoted to executive vice president and manager of all institutional sales and trading for taxable fixed-income products. KCM Senior Vice President Richard Morton, who had been responsible for corporate bond trading, assumed the post of executive vice president with responsibility for all retail fixed-income trading, sales and marketing.

Kemper Capital Markets is a division of Kemper Securities Group, Inc. (KSG). KCM supports the retail and fixed-income sales efforts of the five regional KSG brokerage divisions (Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards, based in Los Angeles; Blunt Ellis & Loewi, based in Milwaukee; Boettcher & Co., headquartered in Denver; Lovett Underwood Neuhaus & Webb, headquartered in Houston, and Prescott, Ball & Turben, based in Cleveland) through the distribution of taxable and tax-exempt fixed products to this brokerage network. Kemper Capital Markets also manages institutional fixed-income sales activities for KSG, and supports those distribution efforts with extensive research and investment banking capabilities.

CONTACT: Martin Gawne of Kemper Financial Services, 312-845-1905

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#90345p2152 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Christmas came early for Cleveland school youngsters -- with Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) playing the role of Santa Claus.

Ford today announced it will donate $300,000 over three years to the Cleveland Initiative for Education's School-to-Work program.

The Cleveland Initiative for Education was designed by the Greater Cleveland Roundtable and the city's Public Schools to improve the quality of education and increase the number of graduates.

In a ceremony at the Roundtable's annual meeting, a check for $100,000 -- the first installment of the $300,000 -- was presented to school officials by Gifford M. Brown, a member of Ford's Cleveland Community Relations Committee, who also is manager of Ford's Engine Plants in Brook Park.

"Ford is pleased to be able to contribute these funds for the School-to-Work program to help provide a better education for students and make their livelihoods more secure when they enter the working world," said Brown. "It's another case of Ford Motor Company returning something to a community of which Ford is proud to be a part."

The School-to-Work program, operated by Youth Opportunities Unlimited, is a partnership between the Cleveland Public Schools and employers from both the private and public sectors. Under the plan, students can go directly into the work force after graduation or defer post-secondary education.

The program increases employment opportunities available to qualified graduates; provides Cleveland-area employers and qualified students with a centralized employment service that matches students with appropriate jobs, and improves the work readiness of academically qualified graduating seniors, including their ability to interview successfully, pass employment tests, and relate well to others in the workplace.

Ford Motor Company is Cleveland's largest private-sector employer, with about 17,000 employees at five Cleveland-area plants.

CONTACT: Bill Carroll of Ford, 313-322-1300

-30- 2189

#90345p2153 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Fluor Corp.'s (NYSE: FLR) board of directors elected to increase the quarterly cash dividend by 25 percent to 8 cents per share of common stock. Citing strong earnings, cash flow and a favorable outlook, the board raised the dividend at its regular meeting today.

The dividends are payable on Jan. 16, 1991 to holders of record at the close of business on Dec. 26, 1990.

Fluor Corp. is an international engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services company with investments in coal and lead.

CONTACT: Deborah Land (media), 714-975-3971, or Lila Churney (investors), 714-975-3909, both of Fluor Corp.

-30- 833

#90345p2156 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - At Fluor Corp.'s (NYSE: FLR) regular board of directors meeting today, it was announced that Caroline Leonetti Ahmanson is retiring having served since September 1985.

Fluor Chairman David S. Tappan Jr. said: "It has been an honor to serve with Caroline. Her contributions and insights will be missed. She brought an important dimension to Fluor's board and a wealth of experience in global commerce and business that is difficult to match."

Ahmanson, a native Californian, is actively involved in cultural, civic, national and world affairs, and has promoted trade relationships for the

United States worldwide.

Fluor Corp. is an international engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services company with investments in coal and lead.

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#90345p2158 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTH WILKESBORO, N.C. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Lowe's Companies, Inc. (NYSE: LOW) has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 13 cents per share. This will be the 118th consecutive cash dividend.

The board declared the dividend to be paid on January 31, 1991 to shareholders of record on January 18, 1991.

Lowe's is a specialty retailer pursuing three businesses in our stores: the home center do-it-yourself business, the consumer durables business, and the building contractor business.

CONTACT: For further information, including weekly sales data, contact W. Cliff Oxford, 919-651-4631 or Clarissa S. Felts, 919-651-4254, both of Lowe's Companies, Inc.

-30- 860

#90345p2162 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST LAFAYETTE, IND. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Emerson Kampen, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Great Lakes Chemical Corporation (NYSE: GLK) announced that the company today completed the previously reported acquisition of Bio-Lab, Inc. This action follows the government's favorable review of the transaction under the provisions of the Hart Scott Rodino Act.

Formerly owned by Lonza Inc., Bio-Lab is a leading supplier and formulator of products for swimming pools and spas. Terms of the purchase include cash plus future considerations tied to performance over the next several years.

"Bio-Lab nearly quadruples the revenues of our recreational water treatment business to total well over $200 million," Kampen stated. "Completing this purchase will have an immediate impact across a wide range of activities. Bio-Lab's extensive distributor network opens new, critical geographical market areas that will lead to not only higher sales of swimming pool/spa chemicals and equipment, but will also enhance manufacturing and distribution efficiencies."

He continued, "Taking full advantage of the well established brand names,

customer base, dynamic sales force and other assets of both Bio-Lab and our wholly owned subsidiary, Hydrotech Chemical Corporation, provides an extensive foundation from which to expand bromine's water-related uses, and integrate into other types of speciality chemicals."

He went on to say, "Aside from the benefits relating to the water treatment business, this move will pay dividends for some time to come in other areas. For instance, we have formed strategic supply relationships with Lonza Inc. for a period of years which we anticipate will be beneficial to both companies."

Headquartered in Decatur, Ga., Bio-Lab currently employs approximately 775 people. The company's swimming pool and spa business span the United States, Canada and Australia. Bio-Lab markets its products through more than 2,000 authorized dealers and a wholesale distribution network consisting of 26 outlets in nine primarily sunbelt states.

Great Lakes Chemical Corporation, a Fortune 500 company, is the world's leading producer of bromine, brominated chemicals and furfural derivatives for such applications as flame retardants, agriculture, oil and gas well completion fluids, water sanitizers and other speciality applications. The stock of the company is traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: David R. Bouchard or Gregory J. Griffith, 317-497-6100, both of Great Lakes Chemical Corporation

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#90345p2163 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors will form a single, powertrain-focused organization, the GM Powertrain Division, made up of the GM Engine Division (GMED) and Hydra-matic Division (HMD), GM President Lloyd E. Reuss announced today.

Effective immediately, Richard M. Donnelly is appointed general manager for the new division, which will report to Reuss. Donnelly was GMED general manager. Headquarters for the new division will be in Pontiac, Mich.

The new division builds on the successful integration of GM's engine operations into one division this year, as well as the close working relationship that has developed between GMED and HMD, Reuss said.

Other benefits include expanding the development of electronics technology and applications in powertrains, leveraging critical technical skills to meet stringent state and federal regulations regarding exhaust emissions and fuel economy, reducing variation in products and processes through the use of common methods, cost savings from elimination of redundancy and expanding cooperation and teamwork.

Donnelly began his GM career in 1961 as a student of the GMI Engineering and Management Institute under the sponsorship of Chevrolet Motor Division in Buffalo, N.Y. After graduating in 1966, he spent five years there serving in various manufacturing positions, before being transferred to Chevrolet's Detroit Central Office as product planning administrator in 1971. Beginning in 1974, he held production management positions for Chevrolet in Warren and Flint, Mich., and was named plant manager at the Flint engine plant in 1980.

Donnelly was promoted to director of manufacturing for GMOC-Japan and elected to the Isuzu Motors Board of Directors in 1983. In 1984, he joined C-P-C as a car program manager, responsible for the Chevrolet Corsica and Beretta. He was appointed manufacturing manager for the C-P-C engine and components plants in 1985, and was assigned to the GM Production System Task Team as executive director a year later.

He was named product manager of B-O-C Powertrain in 1988 and GMED general manager in March of this year.

Born July 13, 1943, Donnelly received a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from GMI and an MBA from New York State University at Buffalo, N.Y.

CONTACT: Betsy H. Hemming of GMED, 313-761-6413; or Linda McGill of HMD, 313-481-7501

-30- 2581

#90345p2165 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELK GROVE VILLAGE, IL (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Quasar Company issued the following statement today regarding a court decision involving allegations of job discrimination at Quasar:

"We are surprised and disappointed in the court's decision. We are fully confident of the merits of our position and believe the court has made substantial errors in both law and in fact. Of course, we intend to appeal the decision and firmly believe that, ultimately, our position in this case will be upheld."

CONTACT: Mike Kelly of Quasar, 708-228-3653

-30- 728

#90345p2166 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Representatives from INSPEC and University Microfilms International (UMI) today announced an agreement in principle to offer one of the technical community's most highly regarded databases in CD-ROM format. The announcement was made at a news briefing in conjunction

with the 14th International Online Information Meeting in London.

INSPEC Ondisc is the result of combining the highly regarded INSPEC database with UMI CD-ROM technology. The INSPEC database, which was first computerized in 1969, currently contains more than 3.75 million records in English and is used by researchers all over the world. INSPEC Ondisc will offer abstracts and indexing for more than 4,200 technical journals, of which approximately 750 are indexed cover-to- cover. More than 1,000 conference proceedings, books, and reports are now on convenient CD-ROM. The product will contain the full INSPEC database from 1989 forward -- more than 750,000 records in all.

The coverage of the database focuses on three main subject areas: physics, electrical engineering and electronics, and computing. Within this overall coverage, the database provides a major information resource for a wide range of high-tech fields including: biophysics, laser technology, artificial intelligence, computer-aided design and analysis, control engineering, avionics, robotics, and personal computing, to name just a few.

In conjunction with the upcoming release of INSPEC Ondisc, UMI is introducing its new version of search software. This enhanced system includes a dedicated thesaurus for precise subject definition, a library-holdings facility, word and phrase inverted indexes, and a search option which takes into account differences in American and British spellings.

Based on the high demand for scientific and technical data worldwide, INSPEC Ondisc is expected to appeal to a broad base of users.

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#90345p2169 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Tenneco Inc. (NYSE: TGT) board of directors today elected Kenneth W. Reese, currently an executive vice president and member of the board, to the new position of vice chairman of Tenneco Inc. The board also elected Allen T. McInnes, an executive vice president, to membership on the board of directors.

Additionally, the board elected James K. Ashford, currently president and chief executive officer of J I Case, an executive vice president of Tenneco Inc. and a member of the board of directors. Ashford joins Ketelsen, Reese and

McInnes as a member of the corporate office.

All the elections are effective immediately. Reese, McInnes and Ashford will continue to report to James L. Ketelsen, chairman and chief executive officer. Their executive responsibilities will not change.

Reese, 60, will remain responsible for Tenneco's pipelines, shipbuilding, automotive products and minerals businesses. McInnes, 53, will continue to be responsible for the packaging, chemicals and land businesses as well as operations technologies and international development. Ashford, 53, will remain responsible for J I Case, Tenneco's largest division which produces agricultural and construction equipment. Ashford will continue to be located at Case headquarters in Racine, Wis., for the present time.

Reese joined Tenneco as senior vice president and chief financial officer in 1975 from Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. He was named executive vice president in 1978 and was elected to the board of directors in 1983. He graduated from the University of Houston in 1954 with a bachelor of business administration degree. Both the University and the College of Business Administration have recognized him with their respective distinguished alumni awards. He is a member of the College of Business Administration Dean's executive advisory board. Reese is a director of Texas Commerce Bancshares, Fleming Companies Inc., the Texas Medical Center, the Cotton Bowl Athletic Association, The Forum Club of Houston and the National Jewish Center for Immunology and Respiratory Medicine.

CONTACT: Tom Slocum of Tenneco Inc., 713-757-3430

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#90345p2184 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTVALE, NJ (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRe - Federal Paper Board Company, Inc. (NYSE: FBO) today announced that it has signed letters of intent to sell five of its eight folding carton plants to two separate buyers.

Subject to the execution of definitive agreements, any necessary regulatory approvals and final approval by the boards of directors of each company, Manville Forest Products Corporation will buy Federal's plant at Wilmington, N.C., and its mechanical packaging group and Field Container Corporation will acquire the company's plants at Palmer, Mass.; Versailles, Conn.; York, Pa.; and Marseilles, Ill.

Two other folding carton plants located at Thomaston, Ga., and Hendersonville, N.C., will also be sold.

"Federal will retain its Durham, N.C., plant, which is engaged solely in the production of cigarette cartons made from bleached paperboard. The Durham plant and our recently acquired paper cup operations, with their continued

growth potential, fit better with our direction of increasing bleached board capacity than our present folding carton plants," stated John R. Kennedy, president.

Annual sales for the plants to be sold are approximately $180 million and represent about 13.5 percent of Federal's total sales.

Kennedy noted, "We hope that once we reach an agreement regarding the plants at Thomaston, Georgia and Hendersonville, North Carolina, that the sale of the seven facilities will generate more than $100 million before taxes. The proceeds will be used to reduce debt."

Federal Paper Board Company, Inc. manufactures and sells solid bleached paperboard, bleached market pulp, recycled paperboard, folding cartons, paper cups, lumber, and in the European market, uncoated free- sheet paper. The company operates two bleached kraft paperboard and pulp mills, one recycled paperboard mill, eight folding carton plants, six paper cup converting plants, five wood products mills, and one uncoated free-sheet mill in the United Kingdom. Federal has approximately 7,700 employees.

CONTACT: Quentin J. Kennedy, executive vice president of Federal Paper Board Company, 201-391-1776

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#90345p2187 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Toro Company (NYSE: TTC) today announced it has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 12 cents per share payable Jan. 12, 1991 to stockholders of record Dec. 26, 1990.

The Toro Company is the nation's largest independent manufacturer and marketer of outdoor maintenance and irrigation equipment.

CONTACT: Dennis Himan, The Toro Co. VP & treasurer, 612-887-8411, or at The Financial Relations Board Inc., in Chicago, Fred Nachman 312-266-7800; or FRB in NY, Jan Quartner 212-661-8030

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#90345p2189 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Cellular Communications, Inc. (CCI) (NASDAQ: COMM) announced today that it was changing its record date from Nov. 21, 1990, to Dec. 14, 1990, for its special meeting of stockholders, at which, as previously announced, stockholders will be asked to consider and act upon the amended and restated agreement and plan of merger and joint venture organization, between CCI and Pacific Telesis Group (PacTel) (NYSE: PAC).

CCI said proxy materials would be distributed as soon as available and that the meeting date which had previously been announced for Dec. 28, 1990, would be postponed until the end of January 1991.

CONTACT: J. Barclay Knapp, executive vice president and CEO, or Richard J. Lubasch, vice president of Cellular Communications, 212-319-7014

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#90345p2191 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHARDSON, TX (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - SPI Holding Inc. (ASE: SPH) today announced the declaration of an in-kind dividend on the outstanding shares of its 16 percent Cumulative Preferred Stock payable through the issuance of 1/25th of a share of its 16 percent Cumulative Preferred Stock for each oustanding share. The in-kind dividend is to be paid on Dec. 31, 1990, to holders of record on Dec. 21, 1990. Cash will be paid in lieu of issuing fractional shares of the 16 percent Cumulative Preferred Stock.

SPI Holding Inc., through its wholly owned subsidiary, Spectradyne Inc., is the largest provider of in-room entertainment services to the lodging industry in the United States and Canada.

CONTACT: John Aylsworth of SPI Holding, 214-234-2721.

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#90345p2196 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES MOINES, IA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Pioneer Hi- Bred International, Inc. (NASDAQ: PHYB) today declared a dividend of $.29 per share for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Nov. 30, 1990. This is the same rate as that paid for the previous six quarters.

The dividend is payable Jan. 9, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 28, 1990.

In other action, Herman H.F. Wijffels was elected a director, bringing the total board membership to 15. Wijffels, 48, currently serves as chairman of the executive board of Rabobank Nederland, the large Dutch financial institution. He joined that firm in 1981 and has served in his present position since 1986.

Thomas N. Urban, chairman and president, said that the election of Wijffels adds another dimension to the board. "Pioneer has become a global company and Herman's experience in international business will be especially valuable to us as our growth continues," he noted.

CONTACT: James Ansorge of Pioneer Hi-Bred, 515-245-3578.

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#90345p2198 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
CINCINNATI (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle-Picher Industries (NYSE: EPI) announced that Judge Burton Perlman, U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Cincinnati, dismissed with prejudice, from the date of filing, the petition from three asbestos personal injury claimants seeking to force the company into involuntary bankruptcy.

The company indicated that it was considering action against those asbestos plaintiffs' lawyers responsible for the petition under applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code and the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and other appropriate laws.

CONTACT: J. Rodman Nall of Eagle-Picher Industries, 513-721-7010.

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#90345p2202 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Despite a brief and mild recession, there are plenty of opportunities for investors in the stock and bond markets, a panel of experts from IDS Financial Services Inc. said yesterday.

The economy will emerge from its recession in the first quarter of 1991, said William Melton, IDS vice president and chief economist. Melton cited declining interest rates and inflation, tightly controlled business inventories, and an improving U.S. trade balance as factors in resuscitating the economy.

Historically, now is an excellent time to invest in the stock market, Melton said. In the nation's last seven recessions, the stock market rallied during the four months prior to full economic recovery. During these periods, the S&P 500 has averaged a 68 percent total investment return on an annualized basis.

Peter Anderson, president of IDS Advisory Group, said another reason why the stock market will do well despite the recession is that approximately 55 percent of S&P 500 is comprised of companies that are insulated from the current economic pressures. These stocks fall into three sectors: energy, utility and consumer staples, such as food, drug and tobacco companies.

As a result, corporate profits, on an operating basis, will be flat instead of declining, Anderson said. In addition, as institutional investors begin reinvesting the large amounts of cash they've hoarded since the Kuwait invasion, the market will rise dramatically.

Anderson currently recommends buying stocks of companies in the financial services industry, those that export much of their products and companies that will benefit from capital spending, both on facilities and infrastructure. (Following is a list of Anderson's top 10 stock picks for 1991.)

The stock market isn't the only area where IDS sees investment opportunities in 1991. Fixed-income investments also will be attractive. However, the watchword is quality, according to William Westhoff, IDS senior vice president fixed-income investments.

IDS Financial Services Inc. is a Minneapolis-based subsidiary of American Express. IDS is the nation's leading financial planning firm, with some 6,000 financial planners nationwide and nearly $50 billion in assets owned or under management.

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#90345p2213 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNETONKA, MN (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Santa's workshop has moved from the North Pole to the North Woods this year and Santa's sleigh is bigger than ever -- large enough to hold eight semi-truckloads of toys on their way to the Marine Corps Toys for Tots warehouses around the country.

The toys will arrive before Christmas for distribution to needy children throughout the United States and Puerto Rico compliments of Fingerhut Companies, Inc. (NYSE: FHT), one of the nation's largest direct-mail marketers. Throughout the week, Fingerhut will be dispatching semi-trucks loaded with toys to the Marine Corps Toys for Tots drop-off locations in Columbus, Ohio; Dallas; Indianapolis, Ind.; Minneapolis; Philadelphia; San Diego; and Springfield, Mo.

As part of a renewed emphasis on community involvement, the Minnetonka, Minn.-based company has donated more than $1 million worth of toys to the U.S. Marine Corps Toys for Tots program, making it the largest corporate donor in the country.

"Many children may go without gifts this year," said Ted Deikel, chairman and CEO of Fingerhut Companies, Inc. "Fingerhut sales have remained very steady, and we wanted to share our good fortune with those who need some cheer this holiday season."

According to Betty Bothereau, Fingerhut director of business relations, the company has participated in the Toys for Tots program since 1988, but is increasing its merchandise donation this year to $1 million. Bothereau attributes the increase to the company's new management, which has identified community involvement as a priority for Fingerhut Companies.

Thousands of toys, including bikes, radio-controlled cars, racing sets, plush stuffed animals, science laboratory kits, game tables, and electronic games, will be shipped from the Fingerhut distribution center in St. Cloud, Minn., to

the Marine Corps Toys for Tots warehouses throughout the United States.

This year's collection is falling slightly behind the 1989 total. Horihan says the significant contribution from Fingerhut should help the Marine Corps exceed last year's collection total of nearly 8.5 million toys.

The Marine Corps Toys for Tots program, which began in 1947 in Los Angeles as a way to help orphans of soldiers who lost their lives in World War II, grew into a national effort with corporate, media and celebrity sponsors.

"It's good to see that the U.S. Marine Corps has been able to continue this program in light of the turmoil in the Persian Gulf," said Fingerhut's Deikel, who is also a former Marine. In a separate corporate giving effort, Fingerhut Companies recently donated 51,000 audio tapes and 20,000 pairs of sunglasses to U.S. soldiers deployed in Operation Desert Shield.

Fingerhut Companies, Inc., with headquarters in Minnetonka, Minn., in 1989 recorded annual revenues in excess of $1 billion and is the fourth largest direct-mail marketer of consumer products sold in the U.S. The company's stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol FHT.

CONTACT: Betty Bothereau of Fingerhut, 612-936-5586; or Sally Rivard of Rivard & LaBreche, 612-338-0901, for Fingerhut.

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#90345p2214 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - SunResorts N.V. (NASDAQ: RSTAF) and Divi Hotels N.V. (AMEX: DVH) announced today that they have entered into a letter of intent with respect to the acquisition by SunResorts of the Divi chain of resorts in the Caribbean. Pursuant to the proposed terms of the acquisition, it is contemplated that the shareholders of Divi will receive approximately 600,000 shares of SunResorts and that the holders of Divi's outstanding $110 million unsecured subordinated indebtedness will receive a package of cash and securities with an estimated value of approximately $35 to $40 million.

Consummation of the acquisition is subject to a due diligence review by SunResorts, the obtaining of required financing, entry into definitive agreements, the approval of Divi's shareholders and holders of subordinated indebtedness, the absence of any material adverse change and other closing conditions.

SunResorts is the largest employer on the island of St. Maarten engaged in resort, timeshare, and car rental operations. Divi has a chain of hotel and timeshare properties on most major Caribbean islands.

Hushang Ansary, chairman of SunResorts, and Walter Wiggins, chairman of Divi, stated that the Divi resorts enjoy an excellent reputation all over the

Caribbean. They have a high rate of repeat guests. This transaction aims at improving the financial position of the Divi hotels, achieving savings and improving earnings from combined operations.

CONTACT: Kevin E. Roberts, chief financial officer of Divi Hotels Marketing, 607-277-3484.

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#90345p2216 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

BELLEVUE, WA (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Momentum Distribution Inc. (OTC: MMDI), a national distributor based in Bellevue, today announced the promotion of three executives. Patsy R. Turnipseed has been named senior vice president and chief financial officer. The presidents of two of Momentum's subsidiaries, John H. Goddard of Momentum Graphics and Sanford Lee Van Dyke of VWR Textiles & Supplies, also were promoted to corporate senior vice president.

Turnipseed has been with the company since its formation, and prior to that was vice president and treasurer of its parent, VWR Corp. She was part of the management team that led VWR through its formation in a spinoff from Univar Corp. in 1986; she had been Univar's vice president, Taxes and Regulatory Affairs. A native of Oklahoma, Turnipseed is a graduate of the University of Washington, and is involved in a number of professional organizations concerned with financial, accounting and tax matters.

Goddard joined Momentum Graphics in 1987, from an executive-level career in marketing and sales at 3M. A graduate of Rutgers College, he is an active member of the RIT Advisory Committee and the Graphic Arts Suppliers Association.

Van Dyke has been with the company and its predecessor for more than 17 years, beginning as field sales manager and culminating in 1987 as president of VWR Textiles & Supplies, which is headquartered in Hickory, N.C. A graduate of Appalachian State University, he is an active member of American Furniture Manufacturing Association's suppliers group and the International Sleep Products Association.

In other business, the board of directors also announced that Momentum Textiles President John Wilkinson has also been named corporate vice president. Wilkinson has been with the subsidiary and its predecessors for more than 20 years, and has been president of Momentum Textiles since 1987. A native of Texas, he is a graduate of University of Texas - Austin and has a graduate degree in business from Arizona State University.

Momentum Distribution Inc. distributes supplies and equipment to printers, furniture and bedding manufacturers, and related businesses throughout the United States.

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#90345p2217 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The Cooper Companies, Inc. (NYSE: COO) elected Joseph C. Feghali, former president and chief executive officer of Security Pacific International Bank, to the board of directors, it was announced today.

Feghali currently serves as the chairman of the board of International Consulting and Investment Technologies, Inc., a worldwide financial services group based in Santa Ana, Calif. ICIT provides a range of monetary, operational and strategic consulting services to corporate treasuries and commercial, merchant and investment banks, in particular.

"Joe Feghali adds important credentials to Cooper at a time when banking expertise is exceptionally valuable to growth-minded corporations such as Cooper," said Gary A. Singer and Bruce D. Sturman, co-chairmen of The Cooper Companies, Inc., in a jointly issued statement.

Feghali will be a member of the board's compensation committee. He has 35 years of banking and business experience, having begun his career in finance as a management trainee at Bank of America, International. He also served as chairman, Security Pacific Bank of Canada; director, Security Pacific Overseas Investment Corporation; and director, Security Pacific Export Trading.

Feghali, a resident of Arcadia, Calif., is a past member of the board of directors of Santa Teresita Hospital of Duarte, Calif.

He received a bachelor of arts degree in economics from the University of Maryland and a master of business administration degree from New York University.

Feghali becomes Cooper's 10th director and its seventh non-employee member.

Current management directors include Singer and Sturman, and Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer Steven G. Singer.

Cooper's non-employee directors include Arthur C. Bass, Frederick R. Adler, Ralph H. Thurman, Warren J. Keegan, Brad C. Singer and Moses Marx.

Bass is the chairman and chief executive officer of Emery Worldwide; Adler is managing general partner of Adler & Company, co-managing general partner of Adler & Shaykin and partner of Fulbright Jaworski & Reavis McGrath; and

Thurman is president of Rorer Pharmaceutical Corporation and executive vice president of Rhone-Poulenc Rorer. In addition, Keegan is president of Warren Keegan Associates, professor of international business and marketing and executive director of the Institute for Global Business Strategy at Pace University; Brad C. Singer is president of Jetmar Construction Corporation; and Marx is partner of United Equities Company, partner of United Equities Commodities Company and president of Momar Corporation.

The Cooper Companies, based in New York City (and no longer in Palo Alto, Calif.), is predominantly a health care company with three business units (CooperVision contact lenses, CooperSurgical cryosurgical instruments and CooperVision Pharmaceuticals).

CONTACT: Richard Jay Coyle of The Cooper Companies, 212-557-2690, or Marisa Heine of D.F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for The Cooper Companies

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#90345p2220 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNETONKA, MN (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Advance Circuits, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADVC), Minnetonka-based manufacturer of printed circuits, announced today net income of $.07 per share for its first quarter ended Nov. 24, 1990.

For the quarter, the company reported sales of $19,230,000 and a net income of $384,000 or $.07 per common share. This represents an 11.2 percent decrease from sales of $21,650,000 for the first quarter in fiscal 1990 which resulted in net income of $2,426,000 or $.43 per common share. The first quarter of fiscal 1990 included $400,000 of life insurance proceeds on the life of a former officer of the company.

Robert W. Heller, president and CEO, commented that the decrease in first quarter sales over the first quarter of fiscal 1990 was the result of a significant slowdown in its commercial division demand caused by the Middle East turmoil and the budget problems in Washington. The commercial demand is currently showing signs of recovery. The military division continued its strong operating trend from fiscal 1990. Sales order backlog decreased to $40,738,000 from $41,509,000 at the end of fiscal 1990.

The company's common stock is traded on the NASDQ National Market System under the symbol -- ADVC.

ADVANCE CIRCUITS, INC. SUMMARY INCOME STATEMENT
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	11/24/90	11/25/89
Sales	$19,230,000	$21,460,000
Cost of sales	17,424,000	17,309,000
Gross profit	1,806,000	4,151,000

Operating expenses	1,186,000	772,000
Income before income taxes	620,000	3,379,000
Income taxes	236,000	953,000
Net income	$384,000	$2,426,000
Weighted average common and equivalent shares outstanding	5,613,000	5,661,000
Net income per share	$.07	$.43

SUMMARY BALANCE SHEET (Unaudited)

	11/24/90	8/25/90
Current assets	$19,488,000	$20,868,000
Other assets	13,329,000	12,313,000
Total	$32,817,000	$33,181,000
Current liabilities	$9,618,000	$9,784,000
Other liabilities	1,150,000	1,160,000
Net worth	22,049,000	22,237,000
Total	$32,817,000	$33,181,000

CONTACT: Robert W. Heller or Thomas I. Mueller, of Advance Circuits, 612-935-3311.

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#90345p2223 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - UNR Industries, Inc. (NASD: UNRI) announced today that it has received a favorable ruling from United States District Judge Marvin E. Aspen on appeals from last year's Bankruptcy Court orders approving its Plan of Reorganization, and enjoining suits against the reorganized company by future asbestos-disease claimants.

The District Court ruled that the appealing parties, former workers at a Unarco asbestos plant in Bloomington, Ill., which was sold in 1970, lacked standing to appeal from the injunction's prohibition of suits by future asbestos-disease claimants against reorganized UNR.

The District Court also dismissed as moot the former factory workers' appeal from the order confirming UNR's Plan of Reorganization, ruling that it was no longer possible to unwind the Plan. In order to determine how the appealing parties will receive any compensation under UNR's Plan of Reorganization, the District Court remanded to the United States Bankruptcy Court a portion of the former factory workers' appeal from the confirmation order for a determination of whether the workers fall into the class of workmen's compensation claimants rather than into the class of asbestos-disease claimants.

William F. Andrews, president and chief executive officer of UNR, stated, "We are extremely pleased with Judge Aspen's decision. We look forward to continuing our efforts to expand our business and increase our profits for the benefit of our shareholders, the majority of whom are asbestos-disease

claimants."

Malcolm Gaynor, senior partner of Schwartz, Cooper, Kolb & Gaynor Chartered, UNR's reorganization counsel, stated, "These rulings represent a significant victory to UNR and completely vindicate the strategy which we developed for allowing the company to continue its operations while making a fair and equitable settlement with its creditors."

Gaynor stated that while further appeals from the injunction confirmation orders are possible, he is confident that higher courts will agree with Judge Aspen's decision.

CONTACT: Malcolm Gaynor, Esq., of Schwartz, Cooper, Kolb & Gaynor, 312-845-5100.

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#90345p2225 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of RAC Income Fund, Inc., (NYSE: RMF) today announced several management changes. These changes are a result of the relocation of the operating office of the fund's manager, Ryland Acceptance Advisers. The office has been moved from Florham Park, N.J., to Richmond, Va., which is the headquarters location for the other mortgage trading and investing activities within the Ryland organization.

Thomas H. Potts, 41, formerly an executive vice president and director for RAC Income Fund, was elected president. James R. Fratangelo, 31, and William H. "Hance" West, Jr., 27, were elected vice presidents.

Potts replaces John K. Darr as president of RAC Income Fund, but Darr will remain a member of the board of directors. Also, Richard E. John has resigned from his position as senior vice president but will continue to serve the fund in a consulting capacity.

Potts joined the Ryland organization in 1984 and has been a director and executive vice president of the fund since its inception. He serves in various other capacities within Ryland's financial entities including treasurer, the Ryland Group, Inc.; vice president, Ryland Mortgage Company; executive vice president, Ryland Acceptance Corporation; and president, RAC Mortgage Investment Corporation.

Fratangelo has been with the Ryland organization since 1984 and most recently has served as a vice president of Ryland Mortgage Company. In that capacity, he manages the mortgage loan warehouse position for both Ryland Mortgage Company and RAC Mortgage Investment Corporation. He has extensive technical and practical knowledge of the mortgage securities market and has been responsible for the issuance of over $1 billion in mortgage-backed securities.

West has been a financial and systems analyst for Ryland Acceptance Corporation since 1988. In this capacity, he has been involved in the issuance and structuring of $6 billion of mortgage-backed bonds and security transactions.

"The investment strategies of the fund will remain unchanged," said Potts. "The management team will continue to work to maintain a high level of portfolio performance and focus on achieving a dividend yield of 150 to 200 basis points over intermediate-term U.S. treasury securities, while maintaining a stable net asset value."

RAC Income Fund is managed by Ryland Acceptance Advisers, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Ryland Acceptance Corporation. Ryland Acceptance Corporation is an indirect subsidiary of the Ryland Group, Inc. (NYSE: RYL).

CONTACT: Sheryl P. Kurland of RAC Income Fund, 301-730-6851.

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#90345p2236 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Phoenix Network Inc., (NASDAQ: PHXN) and Comdial Corp. (NASDAQ: CMDL) today announced a three-year marketing agreement for the purpose of providing long distance network management services to Comdial dealers and their customers. This will enable Comdial to offer the networks of the major long distance carriers at substantial discounts with value-added services. The program will be marketed under the name of Comdial Network Services (CNS).

As a leading manufacturer of business telephone systems, Comdial currently sells telephone and related equipment through their nation-wide dealer network of 600 interconnect companies and national accounts.

"We feel that this opportunity represents a tremendous benefit to our current customers and potential clients. We can now take care of all aspects of a company's communications needs," said Steve Ayers, vice president of sales for Comdial.

Marc Goyette, president of Phoenix Network, said "Comdial is a perfect match for Phoenix Network. Their focus is on the small- to medium-sized business which is completely synchronous with our products and philosophy."

Comdial Network Services will be offered through their dealer network to complement Comdial Business Telephone Systems and Comdial Voice Processing.

Phoenix Network Inc., based in San Francisco, is the innovator of the telecommunications network management industry.

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Network Inc., 415-981-3000

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#90345p2244 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
CISCO, TEXAS (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Golden Triangle Royalty & Oil, Inc. (NASDAQ: GTRO) today announced a favorable judgment in a royalty lawsuit against 29 oil companies.

Golden Triangle holds an overriding royalty interest in Queensland, Australia, concession ATP 299P, where there are 24 successful, producing oil wells. Production started in 1984, but GTRO had to file suit against 29 oil companies in order to receive its correct amount of royalty payments.

The Supreme Court of Queensland issued a judgment ordering that back royalty payments, plus interest, costs and damages, be paid to the plaintiffs in the lawsuit, including GTRO. GTRO estimates that GTRO's share of these payments will be approximately $370,000; a partial cash payment of $111,307.04 has been received and deposited in the company's account in a Cisco, Texas, bank, and the remainder of the money is expected to follow.

Of great importance to GTRO is the fact that regular royalty checks from production on ATP 299P will be received by the company. Cash flow from this source (and management estimates that ATP 299P is only 10 percent drilled up), plus royalty payments from any future production on 19 other concessions in Queensland where GTRO holds overriding royalty interests, plus royalty payments from 143 oil and gas wells in the United States where GTRO holds small royalty and working interests, should show a marked increase in 1990 and in future years.

CONTACT: Golden Triangle Royalty & Oil, Inc. public relations, 817-442-2665 (refer to new stockholder letter No. 75

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#90345p2252 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire
TULSA, OKLA. (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - T/SF Communications Corp. (AMEX: TMC) has determined to amend and extend its currently pending "Dutch Auction" issuer tender offer, for its 10 cents per value common stock. The tender offer is being amended to narrow the range of prices at which the company will accept tendered stock. The amended prices are not less than $2.125 and not greater than $3 per share.

The company also indicated that by reason of the amendment it will extend the tender offer until Dec. 28, 1990. By so limiting the range of prices, the company has, in effect, raised the lowest price at which it is willing to accept tendered shares.

Shares which have been validly tendered pursuant to the company's original tender offer at a price at or below $2.125, shall be deemed to have been tendered at the amended minimum price of $2.125, unless such shares are properly withdrawn or are validly retendered. Shares which have been validly tendered pursuant to the original offer at a price in excess of $2.125 per share, but at or less than $3 per share, shall continue to be deemed tendered at the specified price unless properly withdrawn or validly retendered.

T/SF Communications Corp.'s shares closed on Dec. 11 at $2.375.

CONTACT: Howard G. Barnett Jr. or J. Gary Mourton of T/SF Communications Corp., 918-747-2600

-30- 1519

#90345p2255 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - Frank Gardner has been named vice president, news, for Scripps Howard Broadcasting Company, it was announced today by Richard J. Janssen, president and chief executive officer. The appointment is effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Gardner, who has served as vice president and general manager of television station WCPO in Cincinnati since April 1988, is a highly respected broadcast veteran whose accomplishments have included directing top-rated CBS news operations in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles, where he also served as general manager of KCBS-TV.

In this newly created position, Gardner will work with the management of Scripps Howard's television stations to coordinate the continued enhancement and expansion of news programming. Quality local news has long been one of the most defining aspects of Scripps Howard Broadcasting's service to its communities.

"Frank Gardner's passionate belief in the quality and integrity of broadcast news, coupled with a strong desire to win, match up perfectly with Scripps Howard Broadcasting's future goals," Janssen said. "We are delighted that Frank's considerable talents will be utilized at each of our television stations, and his appointment is further proof that Scripps Howard Broadcasting intends to remain at the forefront of broadcast news development in each of our markets."

Gardner began his broadcast career as a reporter and producer at WAGA-TV in Atlanta in 1968. He moved in 1972 to WCBS-TV in New York as a reporter, and later became local programming executive producer for Pittsburgh's PBS station WQED. From 1976 to 1981 he was news director at Scripps Howard's WMC-TV in Memphis. His CBS assignments followed. He then became general manager of KBAK-TV in Bakersfield, Calif., and an executive of its parent, Burnham Broadcasting Co. In 1988, Gardner was named general manager of WCPO.

Gardner and his wife, Pamela, have two sons and live in Symmes Township near Cincinnati.

Scripps Howard Broadcasting, an 80.4 percent-owned subsidiary of The E.W. Scripps Company (NASDAQ: EWSCA), operates nine television stations, five radio stations and cable television systems with 257,000 basic subscribers.

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#90345p2256 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - J.B. Chase has been named general manager of WCPO, Scripps Howard's CBS-affiliated television station in Cincinnati, it was announced today by Richard J. Janssen, president and chief executive officer of the Scripps Howard Broadcasting Company.

Since 1986, Chase has been assistant general manager and general sales manager at WCPO. The 35-year broadcasting veteran was involved in advancing WCPO's marketing efforts and developing one of the midwest's strongest TV news operations.

"J.B. Chase is an example for broadcasters who seek to make quality service their number-one goal," said Janssen. "His commitment to Cincinnati's viewers and advertisers has been key to WCPO's success in this commuity."

Chase's promotion is effective today, Janssen said. Chase replaces Frank Gardner, who will join Scripps Howard Broadcasting's corporate operation as vice president, news, on Jan. 1, 1991.

Chase began in 1955 at KOCO-TV in Oklahoma City, where he focused his career on television sales. He became general sales manager of KOCO in 1964 and general manager in 1971. Chase joined WCPO in 1972 as local sales manager, and was promoted to national sales manager in 1973 and to general sales manager in 1985.

Under his direction WCPO recently commissioned a comprehensive market data study by the Leigh Stowell organization. The study is being widely used by Cincinnati advertisers in their efforts to achieve the greatest results from their media dollars. Since 1987, he has served as executive producer of many of WCPO's local entertainment programs.

Chase and his wife, Helen, live in Anderson Township, near Cincinnati, and have two grown children and two grandchildren.

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#90345p2262 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - San Antonio-based 50-OFF Stores Inc. reported a continued upward trend in revenue and income for the third quarter of its 1991 fiscal year ended Nov. 2, 1990. The company reported revenue of $18,605,648 for the quarter ended Nov. 2, 1990 compared to revenue of $12,955,897 for the quarter ended Nov. 3, 1989, an increase of approximately 43.6 percent. Income before preferred stock dividends and extraordinary credit was $346,642 compared to $69,709 for last year's period. Both primary and fully diluted income per common share before extraordinary credit was $.06 for the current period versus break-even for the prior comparable period.

The off-price apparel retailer also reported revenue of $49,334,196 for the 39-week period ended Nov. 2, 1990 compared to revenue of $37,621,244 for the same period last year ended Nov. 3, 1989, an increase of about 31.1 percent. Income before preferred stock dividends and extraordinary credit was $1,093,998 for this year's 39-week period against $570,558 for last year's comparable period, an increase of approximately 91.7 percent. Fully diluted income per common share before extraordinary credit was 20 cents for the current period compared to 13 cents for the prior comparable period.

For the quarter and 39 weeks ended Nov. 3, 1989, the extraordinary credit, a tax benefit resulting from the utilization of operating loss carryforwards, was $36,000 and $294,000, respectively. The company no longer has operating loss carryforwards.

Charles Siegel, president and chief executive officer of the 46- store chain, affirmed that third quarter revenue and income continued to exceed the company's budgeted expectations. "As reported at the end of our second quarter, we had strong August sales in connection with our back-to-school selling season, and this contributed greatly to our successful third quarter," Siegel stated. He also said that the third quarter outcome was also largely due to higher company sales resulting from additional store openings and improved sales-per-store performances. Comparable store sales for the quarter increased 9.6 percent.

Siegel also announced that leases have been signed for two new stores in the Houston area, the company's first stores in southeast Texas, and that leases are nearly finalized for two more new stores in the Dallas-Fort Worth area and a first store in Albuquerque, N.M. All of these new stores are planned to open in early March 1991.

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#90345p2265 12/11/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 11) PR NEWSWIRE - VenturesTrident II, L.P., a Denver-based limited partnership, today filed suit against Eastmaque Gold Mines Ltd., a Vancouver-based company, to block the conversion of the preferred shares it holds in Eastmaque. The suit claims that Eastmaque has instituted a plan whereby it is forcing the conversion of the 1,022,500 Series "A" 8 percent Convertible Preference Shares which represents 36 percent of the issued and outstanding preferred shares. The lawsuit, which has been filed in the Supreme Court in British Columbia, alleges that the plan implemented by Eastmaque is merely a scheme to improve Eastmaque's balance sheet at the expense of the preferred shareholder. VenturesTrident II, will vigorously oppose any attempt to arbitrarily convert its shares.

The Honorable Mister Justice Catliff of the Supreme Court of British Columbia issued an order today blocking Eastmaque from converting the preferred shares until the Court has had the opportunity to conduct a further hearing concerning the transaction. A subsequent hearing is scheduled for Dec. 17, 1990. Paul A. Bailly, president of Fulcrum Management Inc., VenturesTrident II's partnership manager, said "VenturesTrident II, is reluctant to initiate court proceedings; however, we believe these proceedings are necessary to protect our rights as a significant holder of Preference Shares in the capital of Eastmaque. Such precipitous, unwarranted, and oppressive action can only be explained as an extraordinary and unauthorized attempt by Eastmaque's management to further their own interests as holders of Eastmaque common shares, and threatens not only VenturesTrident II, but the integrity of all Eastmaque shares." The VenturesTrident II, suit also alleges that the Eastmaque board of directors may attempt to convert the shares before the dispute can be heard in court. Eastmaque shares are traded on the Vancouver Stock Exchange, the Toronto Stock Exchange, and on NASDAQ. Bailly said, "These unfortunate circumstances have caused VenturesTrident II to question the wisdom of its investment in Eastmaque."

VenturesTrident II, is a venture capital parntership funded by major institutions which, in addition to providing venture capital to development projects and companies worldwide also provides managerial, legal, and technical assistance to its portfolio companies. VenturesTrident II, has been providing technical and managerial assistance to Eastmaque as well as to other Canadian, Australian, and U.S. companies.

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-30- 2823
#90345t3519 12/11/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 11) TASS - PROVISION OF MOSCOW RESIDENTS WITH FOODSTUFFS HAS RECENTLY BECOME AN EXTREMELY ACUTE PROBLEM. EMPTY COUNTERS AND LONG LINES HAVE BECOME USUAL.

OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR FOOD SUPPLIES TO THE CITY GIVE VARIOUS REASONS FOR THE FOOD CRISIS. FIRST DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE MOSCOW CITY COUNCIL SERGEI STANKEVICH SAYS THE SITUATION CAN BE EXPLAINED BY THE ECONOMIC CRISIS IN THE COUNTRY.

AT THE SAME TIME, HE BELIEVES THERE ARE POLITICAL GROUNDS, AS ALMOST SIMULTANEOUSLY NINE REGIONS BORDERING ON MOSCOW, DECIDED TO REDUCE OR STOP ALTOGETHER MILK SUPPLIES TO MOSCOW. STANKEVICH SAID MOSCOW HAS RECEIVED SOME 100,000 TONNES OF MILK LESS THAN EXPECTED.

QUOTING THE RUSSIAN TRADE MINISTRY AND THE MOSCOW TRADE DEPARTMENT, THE SOVETSKAYA ROSSIA NEWSPAPER WRITES THAT THE DELIVERY OF SOME FOODSTUFFS TO MOSCOW WAS EVEN "GREATER THAN EXPECTED", INCLUDING MEAT DELIVERIES. THE CRISIS RESULTED FROM "MISMANAGEMENT" BY THE MOSCOW AUTHORITIES THEMSELVES, THE NEWSPAPER WRITES. ACCORDING TO THE NEWSPAPER, THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF CARS WITH FOOD AT MOSCOW RAILWAY STATIONS.

THE SELSKAYA ZHIZH NEWSPAPER BELIEVES FOODSTUFFS, INCLUDING MEAT, ARE MOVED FROM STATE SHOPS TO COOPERATIVES.

THE FACT THAT THE SOVIET KGB HAS SET UP HEADQUARTERS TO COMBAT ECONOMIC SABOTAGE PROVES THAT THE COUNTRY'S LEADERSHIP IS SERIOUSLY WORRIED WITH THE PROBLEM. ACCORDING TO THE SOVIET PROCURATOR'S OFFICE, THE STATE LOSES OVER FOUR BILLION ROUBLES A YEAR BECAUSE OF EMBEZZLEMENTS, DAMAGE AND MISAPPROPRIATION OF MATERIAL VALUES.

OVER 136,000 FACTS OF EMBEZZLEMENT AND ABUSE OF OFFICE, INCLUDING 13,000 ON A LARGE SCALE, WERE DETECTED IN THE SECOND HALF OF 1988 AND IN 1989. THIS YEAR, THE NUMBER OF LARGE SCALE EMBEZZLEMENTS HAS GROWN BY OVER 23 PERCENT.

WESTERN EXPERTS BELIEVE THERE IS NO FOOD CRISIS IN THE SOVIET UNION. THE COUNTRY SUFFERS FROM DISORDER IN ITS SUPPLY SYSTEM.

-30- 2058

#90345t3529 12/11/1990 ~ts

KIEV (DEC. 11) TASS - THE UKRAINIAN GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO WORK OUT BILLS ON THE STATUS OF VICTIMS OF THE CHERNOBYL DISASTER, THE STATUS OF ECOLOGICAL DISASTER ZONE AND THE CONCEPT OF SAFE RESIDENCE OF PEOPLE IN RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINATION AREAS.

DURING ITS MEETING ON MONDAY, THE PARLIAMENTARY HEALTH PROTECTION COMMISSION INSTRUCTED THE GOVERNMENT TO PREPARE THE BILLS IN THE NEAREST FUTURE AND SUBMIT THEM TO THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT.

THE COMMISSION NOTED THAT SOME 1.5 MILLION PEOPLE, INCLUDING 460,000 CHILDREN, ARE STILL LIVING IN AREAS CONTAMINATED WITH RADIATION AS A RESULT OF THE CHERNOBYL NUCLEAR DISASTER. SOME 93,500 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN EVACUATED AFTER THE DISASTER. IT IS PLANNED TO MOVE 40,000 PEOPLE MORE TO A NEW PLACE OF RESIDENCE.

WORK HAS BEEN DONE TO DECONTAMINATE THE TERRITORY. A NETWORK OF SPECIAL MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS HAS BEEN SET UP. THE MEDICAL CONTROL PROGRAMME IS BEING IMPLEMENTED. THESE MEASURES HELPED LESSEN THE INFLUENCE OF IONISING RADIATION ON PEOPLE BY 50 PER CENT.

RESEARCH HAS SHOWN THAT THE SITUATION IN RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINATION AREAS REMAINS COMPLICATED, PARTICIPANTS NOTED. THE HEALTH OF PEOPLE WHO SUFFERED FROM RADIATION IS WORSENING. COMPARED TO 1988, SICKNESS RATE HAS GROWN BY 45 PERCENT AND DEATH RATE BY 25 PERCENT.

THE NUMBER OF DISEASES OF BLOOD AND BLOOD-GENERATING ORGANS, THYROID GLANDS HYPERPLASIA AND VARIOUS DISTURBANCES IN THE ENDOCRINE SYSTEM HAS SHARPLY GROWN.

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#90345t3533 12/11/1990 ~ts

TASHKENT (DEC. 12) TASS - A MEETING OF THE COORDINATION GROUP ON METEOROLOGICAL SATELLITES OF THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANISATION (WMO) OPENED HERE ON TUESDAY.

IT IS ATTENDED BY SPECIALISTS FROM THE SOVIET UNION, THE UNITED STATES, JAPAN, INDIA AND CHINA, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTERNATIONAL EUROPEAN ORGANISATION AND THE EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY.

TASHKENT WAS CHOSEN AS A SITE FOR THE MEETING AS THE WMO INTERNATIONAL HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL CENTRE, CLOSEST TO THE EQUATOR, IS SITUATED HERE. A NEW COMPLEX IS BEING LAUNCHED HERE TO RECEIVE AND PROCESS SATELLITE INFORMATION.

THE COMPLEX WILL RECEIVE INFORMATION FROM A GEOSTATIONARY SATELLITE, TO BE LAUNCHED IN THE SOVIET UNION AT THE BEGINNING OF 1991. IT WILL BE THE THIRD SUCH METEOROLOGICAL SATELLITE IN EURASIA, IN ADDITION TO THOSE OWNED BY JAPAN AND INDIA.

THE SOVIET SATELLITE WILL ALLOW TO RECEIVE DATA ON THE STATE OF THE EARTH'S SURFACE AND CLOUD AMOUNT EVERY HALF AN HOUR, MONITOR THE DYNAMICS OF ALL PROCESSES IN THE ATMOSPHERE.

DURING THE FIVE-DAY MEETING, SPECIALISTS WILL SHARE INFORMATION ON LATEST ACHIEVEMENTS IN METEOROLOGICAL SATELLITES AND DATA PROCESSING.

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#90345t3534 12/11/1990 ~ts
KISHINEV (DEC. 12) TASS - A THREE-DAY TERM HAS EXPIRED, DURING WHICH THE SOVIET INTERIOR MINISTRY'S TROOPS SHOULD LEAVE MOLDAVIA'S SOUTHERN DISTRICTS AND RETURN TO THEIR PERMANENT RESIDENCE. THE TROOPS ARE BEING WITHDRAWN AT THE REQUEST OF THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT.

BY TUESDAY, 80 PER CENT OF TROOPS AND EQUIPMENT HAVE BEEN PULLED OUT, MOLDAVIAN INTERIOR MINISTER MAJOR-GENERAL ION KOSTASH TOLD MOLDOVA-PRES. HE NOTED THAT THE REMAINING TROOPS WILL LEAVE MOLDAVIAN TERRITORY "AS SOON AS THEIR PROBLEMS WITH FUEL DELIVERY ARE RESOLVED".

ON DECEMBER 6, THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT HAS LIFTED THE STATE OF EMERGENCY AND A SPECIAL RULE IN FOUR SOUTHERN DISTRICTS OF THE REPUBLIC, THAT HAVE JOINED THE "GAGAUZ SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC".

THE STATE OF EMERGENCY WAS INTRODUCED ON OCTOBER 26, WHEN THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT DECLARED THE GAGAUZ REPUBLIC ILLEGAL AND ASKED SOVIET INTERIOR MINISTRY TROOPS TO ENTER MOLDAVIA'S SOUTH.

THE SOCIAL AND POLITICAL SITUATION IN SOUTHERN MOLDAVIA HAS CALMED DOWN. AT THE SAME TIME, THE GAGAUZ REPUBLICAN AUTHORITIES ARE BEING FORMED THERE.

ON DECEMBER 10, THE FIRST SESSION OF THE GAGAUZ REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT OPENED IN KOMRAT. THE SESSION HAS ADOPTED DECLARATIONS ON SOVEREIGNTY AND ON PRINCIPLES FOR THE GAGAUZ REPUBLIC JOINING THE RENOVATED SOVIET UNION, SESSION PRESS CENTRE HEAD MARIYA MARUNEVICH SAID.

THE GAGAUZ AND THE DNIESTER REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENTS HAVE ALSO PASSED A JOINT DECLARATION. THE REPUBLICS, DECLARED ILLEGAL BY THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT, STATED THAT THEY ARE UNITING IN A FEDERATION AND CALLED ON THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT TO JOIN THE FEDERATION.

-30- 1789
#90345u0002 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
OAKLAND, Calif. (DEC. 11) UPI - The Oakland Athletics, looking to add stability to their off-season pitching concerns, announced Tuesday they had signed veteran free agent Eric Show to a two-year contract.

The pact, reportedly in the $2 million dollar range, also includes incentives that could add another $500,000.

Show, the all-time career winningest pitcher in Padres history, struggled in his comeback attempt from back surgery last season. He lost five of his first six starts and was removed from the rotation May 14. He pitched in relief, winning his first game July 4 and rejoined the rotation July 16.

The veteran went 2-2 in his next starting assignments, but ended up in the

bullpen in long relief the latter part of the season. Because of his difficulties, the Padres lost faith in him and decided to pay him $250,000 to buyout his option year making him a free agent.

However, Show's history was enough to convince Sandy Alderson, the A's vice president of baseball operations, to take a chance.

''We are extremely pleased that Eric will be with us for the next two years,'' Alderson said. ''His versatility gives us options in both the bullpen and the starting rotation.''

Dave Duncan, the A's pitching coach, said that Show's role with the squad would be dictated by the team's ability to resign free agent pitchers Bob Welch and Scott Sanderson. Welch, the Cy Young winner, is very much a question mark with both the Boston Red Sox and the Chicago White Sox interested in signing him.

''We're not sure the circumstances around Bob Welch and Scott Sanderson,'' Duncan said. ''And of all of the people out there, he (Show) was interested in us, and we were interested in him.

''It's hard to put in ink what role he'll play for us, but I expect that he will be a member of the starting rotation.''

Show, 35, was 6-8 with a 5.76 ERA in 39 games both as a starter and a reliever last year. Overall, the righthander has a 100-87 record with a career ERA of 3.59.

To make room for Show, the A's gave righthander Joe Law his unconditional release.

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#90345u0017 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	16	4	.800	-
Philadelphia	13	6	.684	2 1/2
New Jersey	8	11	.421	7 1/2
New York	7	11	.389	8
Washington	6	13	.316	9 1/2
Miami	5	12	.294	9 1/2

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	14	6	.700	-
Detroit	14	6	.700	-
Chicago	12	7	.632	1 1/2
Cleveland	10	10	.500	4
Charlotte	8	11	.421	5
Indiana	8	12	.400	6
Atlanta	7	11	.389	6

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	10	5	.667	-
Utah	12	7	.632	-
Houston	11	9	.550	1 1/2
Dallas	6	11	.353	5
Minnesota	6	12	.333	5 1/2
Orlando	5	15	.250	7 1/2
Denver	4	15	.211	8

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	18	1	.947	-
LA Lakers	11	6	.647	6
Golden State	12	7	.631	6
Phoenix	10	7	.588	7
LA Clippers	9	9	.500	8 1/2
Seattle	5	12	.294	12
Sacramento	3	14	.176	14

-30- 1315

#90345u0040 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - The five workers who remained at the U-S Embassy in Kuwait will be leaving soon- possibly on a U-S-chartered flight Thursday from Baghdad. The State Department says it appears all other Americans who wanted to leave Iraq and Kuwait have left.

Eduard Shevardnadze says when the Persian Gulf crisis is resolved, work should begin to setup a nuclear and chemical weapon-free zone in the Middle East. The Soviet foreign minister will talk with President Bush tomorrow in Washington.

The F-B-I is investigating an anonymous threat against the 800-mile trans-Alaska oil pipeline. Officials would NOT comment on an unconfirmed report that Middle East terrorists threatened to blow up the Valdez terminal.

The F-A-A says two Soviet cargo planes flying home from Alaska across the Bering Strait were forced back to the United States by high winds. The agency adds that bad weather had the Soviets still grounded tonight in Nome.

A hot air balloon drifted over Columbus, Ohio, today and crashed into a television tower, sending the four occupants to their deaths. One witness called it- ''one of those nightmares you never expect to see.''

The publisher of the New York Daily News says there are NO plans to fold or sell the strikebound tabloid. James Hoge met with the directors of the Chicago Tribune Company in Chicago while union supporters demonstrated outside.

-30- 1549

#90345u0054 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 11) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Tuesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	80.85	80.87	80.50	80.72	80.70
Feb	76.95	77.07	76.77	77.00	76.87
Apr	76.80	77.05	76.77	76.95	76.87
Jun	74.65	74.80	74.55	74.67	74.55
Aug	73.00	73.20	73.00	73.10	72.92
Oct	73.00	73.22	73.00	73.00	72.90
Dec	73.80	74.00	73.80	73.90	73.80

Est. sales 13,716 contracts; Monday 22,817; open interest 67,738 off 67.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	89.05	89.05	88.60	88.72	89.00
Mar	86.60	86.75	86.15	86.22	86.57
Apr	84.82	85.10	84.65	84.65	84.85
May	83.70	83.70	83.50	83.60	83.60
Aug	82.85	83.12	82.85	83.10	82.85
Sep	....	82.45	82.45	82.40	82.30
Oct	82.30	82.30	82.30	82.30	82.30
Nov	82.25	82.25	82.25	82.25	82.35

Est. sales 1,405 contracts; Monday 2,272; open interest 10,575 up 325.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	50.10	50.35	49.80	49.85	49.95
Feb	49.12	49.20	48.60	48.75	48.87
Apr	46.60	46.77	46.25	46.32	46.50
Jun	50.10	50.20	49.77	49.95	50.00
Jly	50.10	50.35	49.95	50.00	50.00
Aug	49.07	49.07	48.65	48.80	48.90
Oct	43.92	43.92	43.92	43.92	43.90
Dec	45.00	45.00	44.65	44.65	44.60

Est. sales 7,333 contracts; Monday 9,782; open interest 27,580 off 1,202.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	67.30	67.60	66.10	66.65	66.70
Mar	66.25	66.55	65.22	65.80	65.67

May 66.40 66.55 65.40 66.05 65.87
Jly 65.70 65.80 64.60 65.15 64.97
Aug 63.40 63.95 62.30 62.65 62.52 Est. sales 4,671 contracts; Monday 4,582; open interest 12,655 off 234.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade not available for Tuesday:

-30- 1900

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(DEC. 11) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Miami at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
LA Clippers at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Washington at Denver, 9:30 p.m.
Golden State at Utah, 9:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Indiana at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

Buffalo at Detroit, 7:05 p.m.
New Jersey at NY Islanders, 7:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at Washington, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Winnipeg at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Calgary at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.
NY Rangers at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

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#90345u0057 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - The Treasury Department said Tuesday that U.S. banks are still finding barriers to doing business in several foreign markets despite progress in reducing those obstacles.

"Progress in reducing barriers abroad is occurring at a varied pace, but generally not as rapidly as we would like," Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady wrote in a report submitted to Congress.

"Significant improvements have been made in Canada and in many European countries. Only modest progress has been made in many Asian economies.

Numerous Latin American countries still maintain restrictive financial systems " Brady wrote.

Although the United States has one of the world's most open and competitive financial markets, most major U.S. banks do not enjoy the same access abroad. The report said "important strides" have been made in opening and liberalizing Japanese financial markets since a similar study was released in 1986. "Despite modest improvements, a variety of factors have kept the Japanese banking market difficult to penetrate," the report said.

The Treasury also noted that the slow pace of liberalization and deregulation in Japan has given Japanese banks "an unfair competitive advantage over foreign banks both in Japan and globally."

In other Asian markets, namely the newly industrialized economies of Korea and Taiwan, only modest progress has been attained in recent years, the report said. "The Treasury Department has encouraged liberalization in financial market talks particularly with counterparts in these two reports," the report said.

The report said improved access has been promised by Korean officials next year. But in the meantime, U.S. banks continue to face "serious discriminatory restrictions."

A lack of progress to open Latin American markets to U.S. banks continues to be a disappointment, the Treasury Department said. Treatment of foreign banks has regressed with respect to entry in Brazil and significant restrictions remain in Venezuela.

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#90345u0060 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 11) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Cleveland - Named Tony Demacio scouting supervisor.

Pittsburgh - Infielder-outfielder Gary Redus agreed to accept salary arbitration.

Seattle - Acquired outfielder Dennis Hood from Atlanta for minor league pitcher Scott Taylor; signed infielder-outfielder Chuck Jackson to minor-league contract.

BASKETBALL

Rapid City (CBA) - Named Jim Calvin Coach.

Sacramento - Activated forward Anthony Bonner; waived guard Rick Calloway.

Sioux Falls (CBA) - Named Leo Parent assistant general manager.

USA Basketball - Named Lon Kruger basketball coach of U.S. team for this summer's Junior Men's World Championship.

Washington - Released guard Larry Robinson.

COLLEGE

Army - Signed Bob Sutton to multi-year contract as football coach.

Boston College - Named Chet Gladchuk Athletic Director.

Vanderbilt - Announced basketball forward Morgan Wheat quit team.

HOCKEY

Los Angeles - Recalled winger-defenseman Rick Hayward from Phoenix of the International Hockey League.

NY Islanders - Recalled center Greg Parks, right wings Derek Laxdal and Tom Fitzgerald and defenseman Dean Chynoweth from Capital District of American Hockey League.

Philadelphia - Assigned defenseman Kerry Huffman to Hershey of the American Hockey League.

Pittsburgh - Recalled left wing Troy Loney and defenseman Jim Kyte from Muskegon of International Hockey League.

-30- 1588

#90345u0075 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - Larry Bird struggled with his shooting during a three-game trip through Texas, but he made the baskets that counted against the Houston Rockets.

Bird, the usually reliable outside shooter for the Boston Celtics, entered Monday night's game in Houston having hit just 7 of 28 shots in games against Dallas and San Antonio. The result was 17 points in two contests, well below his average of 19.8 points per game.

He was only slightly better against the Rockets, sinking 8 of 23 from the field, but he drilled eight straight points, including two three- point jumpers, to spark a 15-0 run in the final five minutes that carried the

Celtics to a 107-95 victory.

''I've had nights were I haven't shot well,'' said Bird, who finished with 21 points, 10 rebounds and seven assists. ''I go through these (slumps) every year. This whole trip I've had opportunities. A lot of those shots I thought were good shots.''

Brian Shaw scored 26 points and Kevin McHale finished with 23 for the Celtics, who outscored Houston 17-4 over the final five minutes to seal the victory, Boston's 12th in its last 14 games.

''He's been struggling,'' Boston Coach Chris Ford said of Bird. ''But he steps up and takes the shots that need to be taken. The only way to get out of a shooting slump is to keep shooting the ball.''

Vernon Maxwell led Houston with 24 points, Akeem Olajuwon scored 18 and Buck Johnson added 17 for the Rockets, who lost their third home game of the season.

Houston led 79-78 entering the final period, and was still up 91-90 after a three-point jumper by Maxwell with five minutes left.

The Celtics then ran off 15 consecutive points over the next 4:42, including eight straight by Bird on two three-point jumpers and two free throws, for a 105-91 lead.

Houston finally broke the skid on a short jumper by Olajuwon with 18 seconds left. Boston outscored Houston 17-4 over the final five minutes.

''We decided to play straight up for a few minutes,'' Ford said. ''Our small lineup rebounded well and put pressure on them.''

Houston Coach Don Chaney was displeased to again see his team fail to do the job down the stretch.

''We have to learn how to execute when it counts,'' he said. ''We were too impatient.''

Houston turned the ball over four times in the final period, and hit just 6 of 25 from the field (24 percent) and three free throws. Olajuwon was held scoreless in the third quarter, and scored nine of Houston's 16 fourth-quarter points.

''That is a championship team,'' Olajuwon said of Boston. ''This year they have a tough team. You can't make mistakes against a team like that because of their experience. We were running out offense, but we just didn't knock the shots down.''

In the only other NBA game, New Jersey nipped Charlotte 121-115.

Nets 121, Hornets 115

At East Rutherford, N.J., Chris Morris scored 10 points during a crucial New Jersey run in the fourth quarter, leading the Nets to victory. Reggie Theus led the Nets with 26 points, Sam Bowie added 22 and Jack Haley, replacing the injured Derrick Coleman, contributed 18 points and a career-high 18 rebounds. Rex Chapman had 24 points, Johnny Newman 19 and Armon Gilliam and J.R. Reid added 18 apiece for the Hornets, who dropped their fourth straight.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - Drug companies are bribing doctors with free trips, gifts and cash to encourage them to prescribe their product, even if the drug has not received appropriate government approval, a Senate panel was told Tuesday.

The Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee also released a survey showing spending by 18 drug companies on such promotional activities as symposiums held at plush resorts, gifts and reminder items to doctors increased from about $40 million in the 1970s to about $165 million in 1988.

''Doctors who accept lavish industry gifts are jeopardizing their objectivity and compromising the trust of their patients,'' said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., committee chairman.

''The drug companies and the doctors whom they bribe are classic examples of white-coated and white-collared crime,'' charged Sidney Wolfe, director of Public Citizen Health Research Group.

''We have the majority of drug companies involved in criminal activity of some sort,'' he said, adding the Food and Drug Administration has never prosecuted a bribery case involving pharmaceuticals.

Under federal law, drug companies cannot promote a product for an unapproved use and cannot offer anything of value to induce the purchase of items that are reimbursed under Medicare and Medicaid, federal health insurance programs.

The cost of marketing activities are usually buried in the cost of a drug's research and development, Wolfe and other witnesses said, and then passed on to patients in the form of higher drug prices.

A former public affairs executive at CIBA-GEIGY and Abbott Laboratories testified he finally left the drug industry because ''what I saw was untenable.''

''The price of prescription drugs is clearly determined by what the market

will bear. Pain, suffering and desperation will support a high price, indeed '' David Jones said.

Wolfe cited several examples of what he called bribery, which came to his attention through his consumer group's doctor-bribe hotline.

He said Connaught Laboratories offered purchasers of its vaccine package a certain number of ''points,'' redeemable for personal computers or television monitors.

Also, he questioned Sandoz's use of Sandimmune, its brand name for the immune-suppressing drug cyclosporine, approved to prevent organ rejection.

Sandoz sent letters to doctors offering $100 to read an article and answer questions about using the drug for psoriasis, an unapproved use.

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, objected to Wolfe's assessment of industry practices.

''You're using isolated examples to tar an entire industry,'' Hatch said, doubting that doctors are ''dumb'' enough to fall prey for just $100.

''Hundreds of drugs are involved and a majority of companies. So I don't think it's isolated,'' Wolfe said, adding surveys have found many doctors indeed prescribe the drugs for which they have received inducements.

Kennedy said the following drug companies declined to testify at the two-day hearings: Abbott Laboratories, Hoffman-LaRoche, Wyeth-Ayerst and CIBA-GEIGY.

In testimony to be delivered Wednesday, the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association said drug promotion is essential.

''If physicians are not adequately informed about the availability of an important new therapy and kept current about its uses, patients are poorly served,'' said association President Gerald Mossinghoff.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - The Columbia astronauts have fired the shuttle's braking rockets to begin an hourlong descent to a nighttime landing at California's Edwards Air Force Base. NASA ended the trip early due to a windy front headed to the desert site.

A White House report says NASA should build a new unmanned rocket to take over many of the space shuttle's duties. A 12-member advisory panel says the space agency has been ''trying to do too much'' with NOT enough money or time.

An Iraqi Cabinet minister says Iraq will NOT give up an inch of Kuwaiti soil

despite international pressure. But Baghdad is giving up its foreign ''guests '' with hundreds of former Western hostages headed home from Iraq.

A Chinese man studying in Texas is back in Bejing, where he is demanding an ''open and fair'' trial for a leading dissident. The student concedes there is a ''possibility'' he may be arrested for his outspokeness.

Israel is suing a Canadian publisher and two authors of a best- selling book on Israel's intelligence service. A spokesman for the book's publisher says the lawsuit is an admission that information in the book is true and accurate.

In Austin, Texas, a state district judge Monday declared Texas' seldom used sodomy law unconstitutional. A lawsuit claimed the law was used as a basis for discrimination against homosexuals.

United Airlines and Amtrak are offering plane-train vacation plans featuring round-trip itineraries and transcontinental round-trip fares as low as 419-dollars. Amtrak says it hopes to attract new customers with the program.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Allercare (2nd Q 10-27)	
$1,253,470	$2,140,037
d-$582,833	d-$89,108
d-Deficit.	
Amcast Industrial (1st Q 12-2)	
$68,280,000	$63,105,000
$1,506,000 (.23)	$186,000 (.03)
Ames Department Stores (3rd Q 10-27)	
$718,190,000	$1,163,755,000
ad-$183,219,000	bd-$1,622,000
ad-Deficit, includes a restructuring charge of $129 million.	
bd-Deficit, inlcudes a restructuring charge equal to 22 cents a share.	
Figures are restated to reflect adoption of FASB income tax accounting rules.	
Analog Devices Inc (4th Q 11-3)	
$138,477,000	$110,892,000
ad-$23,620,000	$469,000 (.01)
ad-Deficit, includes restructuring charge of $18.5 million.	

Celutel Inc (2nd Q 10-31)
$1,898,500 $631,700
$d-$2,174,600 d-$2,095,300
d-Deficit.

Heinz H J (2nd Q 10-31)
$1,644,580,000 $1,531,078,000
$139,770,000 (.52) $125,395,000 (.47)

Huffman Koos (3rd Q 10-31)
$18,500,000 $20,600,000
d-$512,000 $161,000 (.04)
d-Deficit.

Intelogic Trace (1st 10-27)
$35,191,000 $38,866,000
d-$2,806,000 d-$7,819,000
d-Deficit.

Mediq Inc (4th Q 9-30)
$100,946,000 $87,121,000
$542,000 (.02) $2,394,000 (.10)

Personal Diagnostics (4th Q 9-30)
$10,779,000 $10,762,000
$757,000 (.17) $1,164,000 (.35)

Promatek Industries (Year 6-30)
$6,400,000 $7,000,000
d-$1,700,000 d-$97,000
d-Deficit.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
y-Buffalo	11	2	0	.846	373	207	6-1	W-2
Miami	10	3	0	.769	275	184	6-0	W-1
Indianapolis	5	8	0	.385	200	281	2-4	L-2
New York Jets	4	9	0	.308	216	295	1-5	L-4
New England	1	12	0	.077	154	366	1-6	L-9

CENTRAL

Cincinnati	7	6	0	.538	292	294	3-1	L-1
Pittsburgh	7	6	0	.538	234	200	1-3	W-1
Houston	7	6	0	.538	324	243	3-1	W-1
Cleveland	2	11	0	.154	201	396	1-3	L-8
WEST								
Kansas City	9	4	0	.692	314	199	4-3	W-4
LA Raiders	9	4	0	.692	268	225	5-2	W-2
Seattle	7	6	0	.538	242	240	3-4	W-3
San Diego	6	7	0	.462	272	220	2-3	W-1
Denver	3	10	0	.231	277	334	2-3	L-6

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
EAST								
x-New York Giants	11	2	0	.846	285	163	6-1	W-1
Washington	8	5	0	.615	299	242	4-4	W-2
Philadelphia	7	6	0	.538	325	275	3-3	L-2
Dallas	6	7	0	.462	193	255	1-5	W-3
Phoenix	5	8	0	.385	206	303	2-3	W-3
CENTRAL								
x-Chicago	10	3	0	.769	290	207	5-1	L-1
Minnesota	6	7	0	.462	297	252	3-4	L-1
Green Bay	6	7	0	.462	241	270	2-4	L-2
Tampa Bay	5	8	0	.385	210	311	4-2	W-1
Detroit	4	9	0	.308	301	345	1-5	L-2
WEST								
x-San Francisco	12	1	0	.923	297	199	3-1	W-2
New Orleans	6	7	0	.462	235	239	2-2	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	5	8	0	.385	305	346	2-1	L-1
Atlanta	3	10	0	.231	292	332	1-4	L-6

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff spot

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - All state insurance departments are not equal and some provide consumer services far better than others, a national study by consumer and insurance industry groups concluded Tuesday.

The study, which looked only at consumer services, such as providing information and handling complaints, concluded that overall state insurance departments are improving, but the quality of those services vary widely from

state to state.

A summary of the study showed insurance departments in Delaware, Florida, Kansas, New York, Texas and Wisconsin were judged ''strongest'' in providing consumer services, but the report did not rate the 44 state departments that cooperated with the study from best to worst.

''The good news is that most departments offer many services to consumers,'' said Stephen Brobeck, executive director of the Consumer Federation of America. ''The bad news is that a number of departments offer few services and no state meets all the criteria of the model program,'' which included 26 criteria for providing consumer services.

Brobeck said New Mexico, Rhode Island and South Dakota particularly offer ''very few consumer services,'' but noted the low populations in those states are likely contributing factors.

The study was prepared by the Consumer Insurance Interest Group, the National Association of Professional Insurance Agents, the American Insurance Association and the American Council of Life Insurance.

Harold Birchfield, chairman of the Professional Insurance Agents group's communications committee, said the ''key areas'' probed were how well the departments provided consumer information and education and handled complaints.

''Many departments are clearly making efforts to respond to rising consumer demand for insurance information and for help in solving problems,'' Birchfield said, noting that since 1989 consumer service budgets in the state offices rose an average of 12 percent.

The report showed half of the reporting states distribute price information on insurers, 43 percent provide information on insurer solvency and 41 percent offer consumers complaint ratios on insurance companies.

While the study failed to rank each of the states according to how well they provide consumer services, some key findings were telling, according to officials of the study groups.

For instance, Delaware's proportionate budget for consumer services was highest at $712 per 1,000 population, while Michigan's, at $38 per 1,000 people, was lowest. Other states ranking well above the $230 per 1,000 average were Florida, Montana, Colorado, Washington and Kansas. Those well below the average included Illinois, New Jersey, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Missouri and Michigan.

Another key yardstick, according to the experts, was the number of information requests received, with those states receiving proportionately more requests judged to be more effective. The study showed Oregon received the highest

number of information requests at 29. 1 per 1,000 population, followed by Texas, 28.2; Arizona, 28; Florida, 24.3; and Utah, 21.3.

Michigan was again lowest with 0.2 requests per 1,000, followed by New Jersey, Massachusetts, Hawaii and Kentucky, all with 0.1 per 1,000 of population.

Likewise, the study considered a high ratio of complaints received as evidence of an effective alternative for consumer redress on insurance issues. Overall, the 42 states reporting this information received 689, 992 insurance complaints in 1989.

Georgia ranked highest on this criteria, receiving 18.55 complaints per 1,000 population, followed by Delaware, 12.45; California, 5.53; Maryland, 5.09; and Florida, 4.22. The lowest number of complaints, considered undesirable by the study group, was received by Hawaii at 0. 60 per 1,000 population, followed by Alaska and Michigan at 0.72; Utah, 0.74;and Indiana, 0.79 per 1,000 population.

Alabama, Connecticut, Maine, Wyoming and the District of Columbia failed to respond to the surveyers and were not included in the study, and Minnesota and Ohio resonded too late to be included in Tuesday's report.

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KOKOMO, IN (DEC. 11) UPI - A watchdog organization founded by Ralph Nader has dubbed a transmission built by Chrysler Corp. in Kokomo, Ind., as the "world's most defective transmission." Chrysler spokesman Jason Vines said the allegations are "grossly exaggerated" and "completely without merit."

The Center for Auto Safety, based in Washington, issued a statement saying Chrysler should recall 500,000 vehicles equipped with the Ultradrive transmission. The four-speed automatic transmission is used on some of Chrysler's most popular models.

An article in this week's Automotive News, a weekly industry newspaper, said service managers for several auto dealers and fleet owners reported failure rates of up to 25 percent on the Ultradrive transmission.

The allegations surprised the president of United Auto Workers Local 685, which represents workers at the Kokomo plant. "Twenty-five percent of them failed? That's just unbelievable," Kenny Hill said.

Hill said workers would have been asked to remain on overtime if a such a high failure rate actually happened. He said there were some early problems with a seal in the transmission, but refinements were made to correct the situation.

The Center for Auto Safety cited a seal problem and also said some failures were caused by electronic components. Chrysler said it had some problems with

transmissions in 1989 models, but notified owners.

Automotive News said a Chrysler engineer said the replacement rate for the transmission was cut from about 3.8 percent in 1989 to .8 percent in 1990. Vines, meanwhile, said Chrysler replaced 19,000 transmissions but said it was a small percentage of the one million produced through September.

Chrysler in a statement said the transmission "is now fully competitive from reliability and durability standpoints and ahead of the competition in many other areas."

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(DEC. 11) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

BOSTON (107)

Bird 8-23 3-4 21, Gamble 6-9 4-4 16, Parish 2-3 3-3 7, Lewis 4-14 0-0 8, Shaw 10-16 6-9 26, McHale 9-16 5-7 23, Kleine 0-1 1-2 1, Brown 2-6 1-2 5. Totals 41-88 23-31 107.

HOUSTON (95)

Johnson 8-15 1-1 17, Thorpe 4-10 2-4 10, Olajuwon 7-21 4-6 18, Maxwell 10-19 0-0 24, K. Smith 6-15 2-2 14, Feitl 1-3 2-2 4, Floyd 2-9 0-0 4, Winchester 1-2 0-0 2, Wood 0-1 0-0 0, L. Smith 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 40-97 11-15 95.

Boston	32	17	29	29--107
Houston	24	28	27	16-- 95

Three-point shots-Bird 2, Maxwell 4. Total fouls-Boston 16, Houston 22. Fouled out- None. Rebounds-Boston 56 (Shaw 12), Houston 44 (Olajuwon 13). Assists-Boston 23 (Bird, Shaw 7), Houston 30 (K.Smith 14). Technical-Olajuwon. A-16,001.

CHARLOTTE (115)

Newman 6-13 6-9 19, Gilliam 7-16 4-5 18, Reid 6-13 6-9 18, Bogues 8-9 0-0 16, Chapman 8-16 8-9 24, Curry 4-10 1-2 9, Tripucka 2-3 3-4 7, Gattison 1-2 2-2 4, Gill 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 42-85 30-40 115.

NEW JERSEY (121)

Morris 5-8 7-8 17, Haley 7-13 4-4 18, Bowie 7-18 8-9 22, Blaylock 7-15 2-2 16, Theus 9-18 8-8 26, Gervin 5-9 2-2 12, Dudley 1-2 0-4 2, George 0-0 0-0 0, Conner 3-4 2-3 8. Totals 44-87 33-40 121.

Charlotte	26	28	27	34-115
New Jersey	30	25	28	38-121

Three-point goal-Newman. Fouled out-Newman. Total fouls-Charlotte 31, New Jersey 28. Rebounds-Charlotte 30 (Reid 8), New Jersey 53 (Haley 18). Assists-Charlotte 23 (Bogues 11), New Jersey 19 (Theus, Blaylock 5). Technical(s)-New Jersey Coach Fitch 2, Morris. A-6,012.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	17	11	5	39	124	99
Philadelphia	18	13	2	38	118	108
New Jersey	16	11	4	36	122	104
Washington	17	15	0	34	108	99
Pittsburgh	12	15	3	27	119	117
NY Islanders	9	16	2	20	75	106

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	16	10	4	36	97	97
Montreal	16	13	3	35	104	99
Hartford	13	13	4	30	88	94
Buffalo	10	12	7	27	89	91
Quebec	7	19	6	20	90	137

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	20	10	2	42	107	79
St. Louis	17	9	3	37	99	80
Detroit	13	12	4	30	108	113
Minnesota	9	16	6	24	88	101
Toronto	7	24	1	15	84	138

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	17	10	4	38	129	99
Los Angeles	16	7	5	37	117	89
Vancouver	13	14	3	29	95	103
Edmonton	11	15	2	24	86	84
Winnipeg	9	17	6	24	105	115

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#90345u0126 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
PITTSBURGH (DEC. 11) UPI - The Pittsburgh Penguins Tuesday traded defensemen Jim Johnson and Chris Dahlquist to the Minnesota North Stars for defensemen Larry Murphy and Peter Taglianetti.

Johnson, 28, a native of New Hope, Minn., had no goals and five assists in 24 games. He was in his sixth season with the Penguins.

Dahlquist, 27, of Fridley, Minn., had one goal and two assists in 22 games. He also was in his sixth year in Pittsburgh.

Murphy, 29, scored four goals and 11 assists in 31 games. An offensive defenseman, he is in his 11th year in the NHL and previously played for Los Angeles and Washington.

Taglianetti, 27, had no goals and one assist in 16 games. He also played in the NHL with Winnipeg.

The Penguins were 2-8-1 in their last 11 games entering Tuesday night's home contest with Chicago.

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#90345u0137 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - Here is the text of President Bush's message on the occasion of Hanukkah 1990:

I am delighted to send greetings to Jews in this country and around the world as you celebrate the festival of Hanukkah.

The Jewish religion is rich with tradition, and this special holiday is one of both teaching and joy. It commemorates the faith and the perseverance of Judah Maccabee and his followers, who were able to defeat their oppressors and rededicate the Temple in Jerusalem. According to tradition, even though the Maccabees could find enough purified oil in the Temple to keep the sacred menorah burning for only one night of celebration, the oil lasted for eight days and eight nights.

This story of abiding trust in the mercy and justice of the almighty continues to be a source of inspiration to Jews around the world. The miracle of the lights illustrates that the power of the Lord can overcome what seem to be impossible obstacles and that working together to achieve common objectives can make the world a brighter place for all.

Barbara and the entire Bush family join with me in sending our best wishes for a memorable Hanukkah.

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#90345u0149 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (DEC. 11) UPI - Joe Sakic scored at 4:05 of overtime to lead the Quebec Nordiques to a 3-2 victory over the Vancouver Canucks in the NHL's only scheduled game Monday night.

After taking a pass from Mike Hough, Sakic broke hard to the net and deked Vancouver goalie Kirk McLean before flipping a backhander over McLean's stick.

It was Sakic's 19th goal of the season and his third in his last five games. He was forced to leave the ice in the third period after being cut by a teammate's stick.

Quebec goalie Ron Tugnutt was spectacular for the Nordiques, stopping 43 shots including several in the final minutes of the third period.

The Canucks trailed 2-1 in the third period before Steve Bozek's ninth goal of the season at 7:23 forced overtime. Bozek took a feed from Trevor Linden at the top of the left circle and sent a 40-foot slap shot over Tugnutt's right shoulder.

The Nordiques had taken a 2-1 lead in the second period with a pair of early goals.

Bryan Fogarty scored a power-play goal at 2:30 on a slap shot from the blueline that beat Vancouver goalie Kirk McLean. Steven Finn added his third of the season less than a minute later at 3:14, when his shot from in close beat McLean and trickled across the goal line.

Brian Bradley gave the Canucks a 1-0 lead in the first period by taking a pass from Robert Nordmark, skating in alone and lifting the puck past a sprawled Tugnutt at 17:39.

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#90345u0151 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - Pentagon accountants are scrambling to figure the cost of Operation Desert Shield so Congress can work on a special request for money - some guess $30 billion or more - when it returns next year.

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said Tuesday the various branches of the armed services are calculating what they think a full year of the operation will cost and forwarding those estimates to the agency's comptroller. But he said there is no firm guess yet within the building on what the figures may add to.

Published estimates range from $30 billion to $39 billion.

The amount that the operation will cost, exclusive of any combat costs, will to some extent be offset by the cash and in-kind contributions being made by several nations, including the $2.5 billion in cash that the exiled Kuwati government has contributed. Saudi Arabia also has contributed nearly $1 billion in cash and goods and services.

A major component of the estimate will have to be the costs of activating National Guard and reserve units. So far nearly 122,000 of the authorized 188,000 reservists and guardsmen have been called up. If the entire authorized number were called up - and no more - their payroll costs alone as active duty personnel would be about $4.5 billion.

Meanwhile, Williams reported that Iraqi forces in the Kuwaiti theater now number more than 500,000, up about 50,000 in the past few weeks. More than half the forces are in Kuwait itself.

And the number of U.S. personnel in the region was raised by at least 10,000 since last Thursday, to more than 260,000.

The forces of other allies in the region, including Saudi Arabia, are now estimated at more than 220,000, putting the total allied force at at least 480,000, with perhaps another 150,000 U.S. forces due to pour in before the Jan. 15 deadline for military action set by the United Nations.

Williams said that when the Pentagon seeks its supplemental spending bill shortly after the regular budget is due in February it will also seek to change a statute passed in the closing days of the last Congress limiting the Pentagon to being able to spend only $1 billion in the current fiscal year from the Defense Cooperation Account, the pot into which allied contributions are tossed to help defray Desert Shield costs.

So far, he said, the Pentagon has been able to avoid hitting that mark by transferring money from other accounts to cover Desert Shield expenses.

Allies have promised about $6.5 billion in contributions in cash and of goods and services, the largest being Kuwait's contribution.

The United Arab Emirates has put up $280 million, including $250 million in cash, against a promise to provide $1 billion in calendar 1990. South Korea has promised about $95 million and so far delivered about $4 million.

Germany has put up $272 million in cash and $65 million in an in-kind contribution against a promise to put up a total of $1.5 billion.

Japan has promised about $2 billion in help and has so far provided $376 million in cash and $50 million in goods and services.

In Saudi Arabia, he said, that government is providing food, fuel, water and internal transportation to U.S. forces, along with areas for base camps.

He said the United States ''probably will'' start asking allies for additional financial help in the new year.

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#90345u0154 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - The shuttle Columbia has swooped to a Mojave Desert touchdown in California, ending a shortened but successful nine-day astronomy mission. The shuttle dropped out of a black sky into the blaze of high- powered spotlights, bringing home seven astronauts and a 150-Million- dollar battery of telescopes. The ship gracefully settled to a touchdown on concrete runway 22 at 12:54 a-m, e-d-t. Commander Vance Brand declared- ''Houston, wheels are stopped at Edwards- we're home!'' Mission control in Houston radioed back- ''A beautiful landing, outstanding job.''

The White House sounded a note of caution as 156 former American hostages arrived at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington, D-C. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the Bush administration will remain ''concerned'' until the estimated 575 Americans still held by Iraq are back in the United States.

Secretary of State Baker and his Soviet counterpart will hold a second day of talks in Houston before flying to Washington Tuesday night for talks Wednesday with President Bush. Eduard Shevardnadze and Baker are discussing the Persian Gulf crisis, superpower summit dates and humanitarian aid to the Soviet Union.

The Soviet Union's U-N ambassador says there have been Middle East problems for many years and- in his words- a ''few more days'' of talk are needed. The U-N Security Council delayed until Wednesday further debate on whether to hold an international peace conference on the Middle East.

Family planning groups are praising an F-D-A move yesterday that they say will widen contraceptive options for American women. The government agency has approved an implantable birth control device that lasts up to five years. Norplant is billed as being as safe and effective as the birth control pill.

A delegation for striking New York Daily News unions is in Chicago for a board meeting Tuesday of the Tribune Company, which owns the ailing tabloid. The delegation will try to convince the board to keep the paper going... as well as conduct serious negotiations with its unions.

A newspaper reporter who spent much of the weekend in jail is free in Corpus Christi, Texas. Libby Averyt was imprisoned for refusing to answer questions about her interview with a capital murder suspect. But the judge in the case ordered her release after becoming convinced she would NOT change her mind.

A spokesman for Philip Morris is dismissing as ''absurd'' an award given the giant tobacco company for having deceptive or misleading advertisements. The company was given a ''lemon'' award by consumer groups for ads implying that the Virginia Slims Superslims cigarette can help women stay thin.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 11) UPI - New York Daily News Publisher James Hoge met with directors of The Tribune Co. Tuesday and said there were no plans to fold or sell the strikebound newspaper.

Hoge met with The Tribune Co. board at Tribune Tower while union members and supporters staged a noisy demonstration outside the building, chanting, ''Settle or sell.''

He emerged from the board meeting with a statement that directors had no intention of selling or closing the paper - and that he will continue efforts to settle the violent, six-week strike.

''The board of directors expressed continued strong support of the Daily News management,'' he said.

''They are confident that the course we are following, which is to reach a responsible collective bargaining agreement while reducing costs - is the right course,'' Hoge said.

''We are successfully rebuilding our distribution despite the continued violent intimidation against newstand dealers and small retail store owners,'' he said.

He also said the newspaper has increased the number of distribution outlets to nearly half the pre-strike number of 12,000.

Circulation, which dropped from around a million to 200,000 shortly after the strike began, is up to 580,000, and will reach 600,000 this week, Hoge said.

''Simultaneously, the Daily News is making every effort to achieve fair and reasonable collective bargaining settlements with the assistance of the Federal Mediation Service,'' he said.

But he said the union contracts must eliminate featherbedding and allow management to determine the size and composition of its staff.

''The strike is expensive byut it is not as expensive as continuing with all these excessive (labor) costs,'' he said.

He denied any timetable has been set for settling the strike and said there was no discussion of a target date for selling or folding the Daily News if negotiations failed to achieve a settlement.

Some 150 union representatives from Chicago and New York, joined by several Chicago aldermen, marched outside Tribune Tower during the board meeting, accusing The Tribune Co. of forcing the strike in a bid to break the newspaper's unions.

Members of nine unions walked off the job six weeks ago to protest labor practices. Contract negotiations had been under way since January.

''The Tribune Co. has forced a strike in New York just as they did in Chicago five years ago,'' said Jerry Minkkinen, executive director of the Chicago Newspaper Guild, referring to a walkout by union printers over jurisdictional matters.

''But it appears this time the Tribune Co. has bitten off more than it can chew.''

Some 6,500 supporters of the Daily News strikers turned out to hear Gov. Mario Cuomo and the Rev. Jesse Jackson Monday evening as they declared their support for strikers at a rally in front of the News building in New York.

The governor promised the crowd he would propose new laws to make it illegal to hire replacement workers, a practice the News has utilized.

The current strike laws are ''destructive of equity bargaining,'' Cuomo said.

Jackson also denounced the practice of hiring replacement workers, calling the use of non-union members, ''immoral, illegal and wrong.''

Cardinal John O'Connor stood among those who supported the strike action.

The News, once the nation's largest circulation newspaper with a reach of almost 2 million a decade ago, dropped to about 1 million circulation before the Oct. 25 strike. That loss has cost the Tribune Co. an estimated tens of millions of dollars.

Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, arranged hearings Tuesday in New York on his bill to outlaw the hiring of permanent replacements during strikes. The News has been able to continue publication by hiring hundreds of personnel to replace the strikers.

News management and union officials will meet Wednesday with the director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliaton Service, Bernard DeLury.

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SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (DEC. 11) UPI - Rebels damaged a helicopter Tuesday in a second day of fighting in rural areas of El Salvador that has left 44 dead and 50 wounded, the armed forces said.

The army said 38 rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, and six soldiers have been killed in rural combat since Monday.

Rebels launched a stepped up military campaign three weeks ago with attacks on four major military installations and various cities in the interior of the country, followed by more frequent confrontations in rural areas where the rebels traditionally operate.

Government and diplomatic sources estimate that more than 200 people, including soldiers, rebels and civilans, have died since the limited offensive began Nov. 20.

This week's fighting has been centered in the provinces of Chalatenango in the north, and San Miguel in the east.

''A total of 27 rebels and three soldiers from the Arce battalion were killed in fighting (Monday) in Chinameca, San Miguel,'' the army said. Another 25 soldiers were reportedly wounded in Chinameca, 60 miles east of the capital.

In the mountainous province of Chalatenango, rebels seriously damaged a helicopter in fighting that left five guerrilas dead, the army said. A machine gunner in a Huey UH-1H helicopter was killed and the two pilots were among the 19 soldiers wounded in the fighting.

Rebels killed a helicopter pilot in Usulutan province Saturday and have knocked down at least one helicopter, a jet and an armed cargo plane since launching their new military campiagn.

Analysts say U.S.-supplied planes and helicopters are the army's biggest advantage over the mobile guerrila forces in more than decade of civil war. But they said the army has been thrown off balance in recent weeks by increased use of ground-to-air missiles.

Another two soldiers and six rebels were reportedly killed Tuesday near the town of Concepcion Batres, 60 miles southeast of San Salvador, in Usulutan province.

The army said one civilian was killed and another wounded in a rebel grenade attack in Cacaopera, 74 miles east of San Salvador in Morazan province.

Residents of Cacaopera contacted by United Press International said a young man was found dead of a bullet wound but that no one knew who did it. They

said they had not heard a grenade blast or noticed a rebel attack in the small town.

''Everything has been quiet here,'' one resident said.

The independent human rights commission of El Salvador, which often slants its reports in favor of the rebels, recently accused the army of falsely blaming civilian deaths on the rebels in an attempt to receive more military aid from the United States.

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VIENNA (DEC. 11) UPI - Iran called on OPEC Tuesday to reduce its oil production by 400,000 barrels a day, but the cartel's secretary-general admitted the organization could not reimpose national output quotas at the moment.

Iranian Oil Minister Gholamreza Aghazadeh made his proposal in remarks to reporters as the once-powerful 13-nation cartel prepared for its semi-annual meeting that officially opens Wednesday. But the issue was not discussed at a brief session of OPEC's Monitoring Committee.

OPEC was not expected to make any concrete decisions on oil pricing or production at the year-end meeting because Iraq's invasion of fellow cartel member Kuwait has thrown the world oil market into turmoil.

The Organization for Petroleum Exporting Countries Secretary-General Subroto said there had been no problem between the Iraqi and Kuwaiti delegates, who sat adjacent to each other at one end of the long table used for the committee meeting at OPEC headquarters. "The Kuwaiti and Iraqi delegations sat at the meeting. Everything was peaceful," Subroto said.

He admitted the gulf crisis made it impossible to restablish the production quotas for each OPEC member that were abandoned in August after Iraq invaded Kuwait or set prices, but he denied the cartel was becoming impotent.

"We're not meeting because we want to make a public relations stunt to show that the organization is still alive," he responded testily when asked what would be accomplished at the session.

Subroto told the Monitoring Committee that world oil demand next year will be 51.90 million barrels a day, just 50,000 barrels a day more than the 51.81 million barrels consumed this year.

He said oil requirements by the industrialized countries belonging to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development is expected to decline to 37.08 million barrels a day from 37.54 million barrels a day during the

fourth quarter of the current year. "There will be a need for OPEC to be very prudent and cautious regarding supply and demand in the second quarter of 1991 " Subroto said.

World oil demand is expected to stagnate because the global economy is projected to grow by 2.2 percent next year compared with a 2.6 percent growth rate in 1990, raising fears among OPEC members that prices will plummet again once the gulf crisis is settled.

Apparently reflecting that sentiment, Aghazadeh said OPEC should immediately cut its production of heavy crude by 400,000 barrels a day and concentrate on managing production better. "The most important topic I would like to discuss is production management," he said. "There is a lack of balance in OPEC production at the moment."

Since OPEC suspended its 22.5 million barrel-a-day production ceiling in August following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, Saudi Arabia has increased its daily output to 7.9 million barrels from 5.6 million barrels a day before the crisis.

Venezuela has raised its production to 2.3 million barrels a day from 2.1 million during the third quarter, while Iran pumped 3.3 million barrels a day last month compared with 2.9 million barrels a day in October.

Subroto said the average price for petroleum was $22.05 a barrel during the first 11 months of the year, compared with $17.31 for all of 1989 and just $14.24 in 1988. He said the basket of oil prices as measured by OPEC was $30.78 in November, down from $34.32 the previous month.

Subroto said demand for OPEC oil will be 23.19 million barrels a day during the first quarter next year, 21.35 million in the second quarter and 22.54 million in the third quarter. World oil requirements are expected to be 52.44 million barrels a day in the first quarter and 50.51 million barrels a day during the second quarter.

Non-OPEC producers should pump 29.25 million barrels a day in the first quarter of 1991 and 29.16 million barrels a day during the second quarter, Subroto added.

The ministers spent most of the day consulting among themselves behind closed doors. They refused to make any comment as they emerged from the Monitoring Committee meeting.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 11) UPI - Heavy trading in IBP Inc. stock Tuesday reflected speculation Occidental Petroleum Corp. would sell its controlling

interest in the world's largest producer of fresh beef and pork, analysts said.

Investors think the death of Dr. Armand Hammer, chairman of Occidental, will lead to the sale of parts of Occidental, including its stake in IBP, as Occidental officers seek a clearer focus for the company. Hammer died Monday night at the age of 92.

"They're an oil company, they're not a meat company or a food company, but an oil company," said John McMillin, food industry analyst for Prudential Bache Securities in New York.

Late in Tuesday's trading session, the price of IBP stock was up $2.50 to $18.875 a share on the New York Stock Exchange. Occidental stock was the most heavily traded issue, followed by IBP. Although it has not lost money from its investment in IBP, Los Angeles-based Occidental has not reaped large gains.

"Because they own 51 percent, they only get the dividends of cash flow," said investment analyst William L. Roberts of Sioux Falls, S.D. "They only get the same dividend public shareholders do."

Occidental acquired IBP, then a publicly held company, in 1981 but reduced its interest in the company to that of majority stockholder via a 1987 public stock offering.

McMillin said IBP is an attractive company because of its dominant position in beef processing and its growing presence in the hog market. IBP holds a 35 percent share of the fed cattle market and 15 percent of the hog market. "Dominant companies tend to attract buyers," he said.

McMillin said he expects IBP to be sold within 12 months, possibly to Japanese investors. IBP, based in Dakota City, Neb., reported 1989 earnings of $35.3 million on revenues of $9.1 billion.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 11) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.44 1/2-2.46 3/4 up 1 1/4 to off 1/2.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.90-5. 93 off 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.28 3/4-2.31 3/4 up 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.38 3/4-2.40 3/4 up 3/4.

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#90345u0172 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
TORONTO (DEC. 11) UPI - Citing deflationary forces in the economy, the Bank of Montreal Thursday dropped its prime lending rate .25 percentage points to 13 percent.

"Deflationary forces currently dominate the economic scene, leaving room for a further reduction in interest rates," said Lloyd Atkinson, chief economist at the bank. Virtually all economic indicators, from increasing unemployment to a drop in housing starts, reflect a pervasive weakness in the economy, Atkinson said.

Atkinson said further downward pressure on the Canadian economy is coming from the slowdown in the United States, which if not already in a recession, is on the brink.

Atkinson said he expects the Bank of Canada to react to the worsening economic outlook by cutting its key rate, currently at 12.16 percent, by up to 15 basis points on Thursday.

Atkinson also said he expects the central bank to accelerate its easing of a tight monetary policy that it has used for the past year to fight against inflation. The policy has resulted in using high interest rates, which peaked at 14.75 percent earlier this year, to slow consumer spending.

Atkinson said as the economy continues to slow, inflationary pressures will decrease and interest rates will fall. The Bank of Montreal is forecasting a no-growth 1991 for Canada's economy, with a slow recovery beginning in 1992.

In cutting its prime rate, the Bank of Montreal has separated itself from Canada's other major banks which currently have their prime rates pegged at 13.25 percent.

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#90345u0175 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (DEC. 11) UPI - Despite dust-clogged computers and a stopped up sewage system, the shuttle Columbia came through its launch and landing in good condition with only a handful of minor problems, officials said Tuesday.

Columbia and its seven-man crew glided to a flawless nighttime landing Monday on a concrete runway at Edwards Air Force Base to close out a weather-shortened nine-day flight to study the most violent stars and galaxies in the universe.

Engineers stood by Tuesday to gain access to the shuttle's cargo bay so they

could remove priceless film from one of Columbia's four telescopes for a charter flight back to the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md., where scientists waited to develop and study the ultraviolet images.

Columbia's crew - commander Vance Brand, 59, co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 47 - planned to fly back to the Johnson Space Center in Houston later in the day Tuesday.

The 38th shuttle mission was marred by a variety of technical glitches, including a broken data recorder, two payload computers that overheated and burned out and a clogged sewage system that forced the crew to briefly use diaper-like ''urine collection devices'' instead of the ship's toilet.

Bascom Murrah, the Kennedy Space Center engineer in charge of Columbia's ground processing, said technicians would not be able to get to the bottom of the sewage problem until after the spaceplane is ferried back to Florida late this week or early the next.

''The orifice is very, very small and it doesn't take much to block it,'' Murrah said of the clogged line used to dump waste water overboard into space.

One of the most significant problems encounted by Columbia's crew was the failure of two critical computers needed to operate three of the four telescopes making up the Astro-1 payload.

The astronauts found dust and lint clogging critical ventilation ducts, apparently causing the computers to overheat and burn out. The failures forced the astronauts to rely on ground controllers to initially aim their telescopes by remote control.

Murrah said the payload computers were part of the Astro-1 Spacelab observatory and that any dust or debris inside likely was there when the units were shipped to the Kennedy Space Center for installation aboard Columbia.

Otherwise, less than 100 heat-shield tiles were dinged to the extent that repairs will be needed and the shuttle's brakes appeared to work properly during the ship's high-speed touchdown.

NASA originally intended to launch nine shuttle missions in 1990, but the space agency had to settle for six because of crippling hydrogen fuel leaks that grounded Columbia for six months and delayed a flight by the shuttle Atlantis from July to November.

But the National Aeronautics and Space Administration closed out the year on a high note by safely launching three shuttles in just 57 days, a post-Challenger record.

Columbia is not scheduled to fly again until about May 7, when four men and three women are set to spend nine days in orbit on a Spacelab life science mission to learn more about how weightlessness affects physiology.

After the May mission, Columbia is scheduled to be shipped back to a Rockwell International factory in Palmdale, Calif., for five months of overhauls and modifications to permit the ship to routinely fly long- duration missions.

The veteran spaceplane is not scheduled to fly after that until June 1992.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - An almost empty U.S.-chartered Boeing 707 flew out of Baghdad Tuesday, evidence that the evacuation of all American hostages in Kuwait is probably complete.

But because of the remote possibility that some Americans may still be in hiding or had not had access to the Voice of America short-wave announcements about the freedom flights, another charter will be sent to Kuwait and Baghdad on Thursday.

That final flight may carry the last of the American diplomats in the beleagured American Embassy in Kuwait, Ambassador Nathaniel Howell and four others, after which the embassy compound will be effectively closed down.

On Monday, a Boeing 747 with 156 Americans returned to Andrews Air Force Base in suburban Washington, D.C., after some four months as hostages.

As the State Department and White House went through the final accounting, it appeared that all the Americans who wanted to leave or could leave Kuwait and Iraq will be out on the final flight.

Left behind are somewhere around 500 people entitled to American passports, many of them foreign-born children in families where one of the spouses is an American citizen.

In some cases, according to the State Department, parents decided that they belonged in Iraq or Kuwait and chose to stay.

In others, Kuwaiti or Iraqi-born husbands with dual nationality could not get exit visas from the Iraqi government and their families chose to remain behind with them.

As the 707 flight left Kuwait, no Americans were aboard, but there were three unidentified Europeans who served as ''wardens,'' keeping the American citizens in Kuwait informed about events, and keeping tab on them.

As the plane landed in Baghdad after a brief stop, about 13 Americans came on board for the flight to Frankfurt, Germany. Four other American citizens were expected to leave aboard a British chartered flight Tuesday from Kuwait.

According to State Department figures, 2,520 American citizens were evacuated on U.S. chartered flights. Another 200 Americans escaped from Iraq and another 600 made their way into Saudi Arabia across the Kuwaiti desert.

In all the confusion, the State Department was given the names of about 30 people by friends or realtives, but it now appears those 30 people had never been hostages.

Just in case, the Voice of America is broadcasting the names of the 30, asking them to show up at Kuwait's airport Thursday for the final flight out.

Spokesman Richard Boucher said, ''We want to be sure we're going through every means possible to ensure that all American citizens in Kuwait are accounted for.''

He said, ''Maintaining accurate accounting under these circumstances has been impossible. However, we believe that all Americans who have desired contact with an American official have found ways to get in touch.''

The exact cost of the 13 chartered flights has not been totaled, but the cost for a 747 to Kuwait and back to the United States is around $200,000. A Boeing 707 would be less.

With the apparent end of the hostage crisis, the focus of U.S. government efforts moved toward maintaining the pressure on the Iraqi government through economic and potential military measures.

The State Department said that the U.S. acting ambassador in Baghdad, Jopseph Wilson, met Tuesday with deputy Foreign Minister Nizar Hamdoub, but there still is no agreement on a date for a trip to Baghdad by Secretary of State James Baker.

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#90345u0180 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 11) UPI - The Georgian Parliament abolished a rebellious region Tuesday and placed it under the direct control of the southern republic's government.

The Tbilisi legislature took the step two days after the South Ossetian Autonomous Region, one of three main subdivisions of Georgia, held unsanctioned elections to form its own parliament, the independent Interfax news service said.

The new parliament in South Ossetia voted Monday to withdraw from Georgia and to declare its sovereignty within the Soviet Union as the newly named South Ossetian Soviet Democratic Republic, the official Tass news agency said.

''Ossetian separatism was fanned by the Georgian Parliament's radical national policies and its plans to break from the Soviet Union,'' Tass said. ''According to the (Ossetian) ethnic minority, these plans could infringe on their rights in the future.''

Nationalists gained control of the Tbilisi assembly in elections last month and the legislature has already stated that it will not sign the new union treaty promoted by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev as the basis of a reconstituted country.

Interfax reported earlier that the Georgian Parliament imposed a state of emergency in South Ossetia but corrected its dispatch to say the deputies only amended the Georgian Constitution to allow the republic to take such a step.

Maj. Gen. Genrich Malyshkin, deputy chief of Soviet Interior Ministry troops, told the Tbilisi legislature he had just visited South Ossetia and urged deputies to impose a state of emergency there, Interfax said.

In a domino effect sparked by the weakening of central authority, all but one of the Soviet Union's 15 republics have declared sovereignty or outright independence this year, only to see their own smaller regions wage sagebrush rebellions.

Two parts of the Moldavian republic, the Gagauz and Dniester regions, held unsanctioned elections last month, prompting clashes with ethnic Moldavians oppposed to the separatist moves.

Just as the Moldavian Parliament censured the breakaway areas, the Tbilisi legislature in its measure Tuesday said the rebels in South Ossetia had ''ignored decisions by Georgia's bodies of state authority . .. and infringed upon (its) territorial integrity.''

South Ossestia was the site of ethnic violence in November last year, when fighting between Georgians and Ossetians left three people dead and about 140 injured.

Geogia's 170,000 Ossetians make up just 3.2 percent of the republic's 5.3 million people but about half of them live in South Ossetia, where they form the majority of the autonomous province's population of 100,000.

In the clashes late last year, Georgian nationalist groups sent vigilantes to South Ossetia to protect ethnic Georgians they claimed were threatened by Ossetians, whose native tongue is similar to Iran's Persian language.

The Ossetians demanded that their province be removed from Soviet Georgia and joined with the Russian Federation's North Ossetia Autonomous Region across the border. Most Ossetians in the northern province are Sunnite Moslems, while the majority in the southern region are Orthodox Christians.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL SCORING SUMMARY:

LA Raiders	14	7	14	3	--38
Detroit	21	3	0	7	--31

FIRST QUARTER

DET-B. Sanders 35 run (Murray kick), 2:09

LA-Gault 68 pass from Schroeder (Jaeger kick), 2:35

DET-B. Sanders 5 run (Murray kick), 3:47

LA-Allen 2 run (Jaeger kick), 8:23

DET-Campbell 7 pass from Peete (Murray kick), 12:17

SECOND QUARTER

DET-FG Murray 47, 5:45

LA-Jackson 55 run (Jaeger kick), 7:21

THIRD QUARTER

LA-Fernandez 10 pass from Schroeder (Jaeger kick), 6:49

LA-T. Brown 3 pass from Schroeder (Jaeger kick), 13:09

FOURTH QUARTER

DET-Peete 6 run (Murray kick), 6:24

LA-FG Jaeger 37, 13:05 A-72,190

	LA	Det
First downs	16	20
Rushes-yards	30-164	31-199
Passing yards	186	171
Sacked-yards lost	2-9	4-7
3rd down eff.	5-9-55.0	4-10-40.0
4th down eff.	0-0-0	1-2-50
Passes	12-19-2	11-24-1
Punts	3-47.0	2-32.5
Punt returns-yds	1-11	1-5
KO returns-yds	6-102	7-164
Fumbles-lost	2-0	4-1
Penalties-yards	8-80	6-55
Time of possession	29:13	30:47

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-LA Raiders-Jackson 18-129, Allen 7-18, Schroeder 3-11, Smith 2-6. Detroit-Sanders 25-176, Peete 6-23.

PASSING-LA Raiders-Schroeder 12-19-2- 195. Detroit-Peete 11-24-1-178.

RECEIVING-LA Raiders-Gault 3-101, Fernandez 3-51, Allen 3-28, T.Brown 2-7, Horton 1-8. Detroit-Johnson 3-42, B.Sanders 3-16, Campbell 2-58, Clark 2-44, Greer 1-18.

SACKS-LA Raiders-Long 1-5, Wallace 1-2, Robinson 1-0, Townsend 1-0. Detroit-Hayworth 1-9, Jones 1-0.

INTERCEPTIONS-LA Raiders-McDaniel 1-15. Detroit-Blades 1-4, Jones 1-0.

Missed field goals-None.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (DEC. 11) UPI - Three Irish men were convicted Tuesday of conspiring to buy a U.S. Stinger missile and other weapons to use against British troops in Northern Ireland.

After five days of deliberations, the federal court jury found Kevin McKinley, 33; Seamus Moley, 30, and Joseph McColgan, 39, guilty of two counts each - conspiracy and attempting to receive an explosive device through interstate commerce.

U.S. District Judge Jose Gonzalez scheduled sentencing for Feb. 2. The men face up to 15 years apiece in prison.

They were found innocent of licensing violations, violating the Neutrality Act and attempting to export missiles for use against foreign aircraft.

Prosecutors alleged that the three were members of the Irish Republican Army and planned to use the Stinger shoulder-to-air missile to shoot down a British helicopter.

Undercover agents posing as arms dealers testified that the men paid $50,000 to buy the missile. The agents secretly recorded negotiations in which the defendants discussed buying the Stinger, grendade launchers, . 50-caliber sniper rifles and C-4 plastic explosives.

McKinley, Moley and McColgan, all of whom are Irish nationals, were arrested in January in West Palm Beach. They did not deny having talked to the agents about the weapons. But defense lawyers tried to convince the jury the defendants were improperly lured into the deal.

Defense Attorney Fred Haddad, who represented McKinley, said he would appeal on grounds that Gonzalez failed to instruct jurors about entrapment.

''During the deliberations they sent out a message asking him to instruct them on entrapment because they felt there was entrapment. He wouldn't do it,'' Haddad said.

The jurors should have been told they could find the men innocent if they believe the idea to commit a crime originated with the government, he said.

''There were indications that had entrapment instructions been given the jury would have reached a different verdict,'' Haddad said.

The IRA is battling British troops in Northern Ireland in an effort to win control of the territory and unite it with the Irish Republic.

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PONTIAC, MI (DEC. 11) UPI - The Los Angeles Raiders are a big-play team, but it was the little things that carried them to victory Monday night.

Jay Schroeder threw third-quarter touchdown passes of 10 yards to Mervyn Fernandez and 3 yards to Tim Brown, rallying the Raiders to a 38- 31 victory over the Detroit Lions.

''I think we have a second-half team,'' Los Angeles Coach Art Shell said after his team's second straight win. ''We made some adjustments and were able to rally around them.

''I told the team that if we play 60 minutes we'd endure. They threw everything at us, but we held our ground.''

The triumph enabled Los Angeles, 9-4, to stay tied with Kansas City atop the AFC West Division and also improved its Monday night record to an NFL-best 29-6-1.

The game also featured five former Heisman trophy winners, Bo Jackson, Marcus Allen and Tim Brown for the Raiders and Barry Sanders and Andre Ware for the Lions.

''We knew it was going to be a struggle,'' said Schroeder, who completed 12 of 19 passes for 195 yards and three touchdowns. ''(The Lions' run-n-shoot) offense is something we only see once or twice a year.''

Schroeder gave the Raiders their first lead of the game, 28-24, at 6:49 of the third quarter when he connected on a 10-yard TD pass to Fernandez, who ran a

hook pattern to the right corner of the end zone. The veteran quarterback set up the score with two passes for 34 yards and a 12-yard scramble on third and 11.

''When you make a third down and long, it's a big momentum builder,'' Schroeder said. ''You try and stay out of those situations, but it's something you work on all year.''

Schroeder moved the team 46 yards on its next possession before capping the drive at 13:09 with a 3-yard TD pass to Brown, who made a one-handed grab as he crossed the goal-line.

''I scored, then I think (Detroit's) Barry (Sanders) scored, and then Bo (Jackson),'' Allen said. ''I walked over to Tim Brown and said, 'Tim, I know you are going to score too. I think it's Heisman night.'''

The Raiders dominated the third quarter, holding the ball for 11:01 and allowing the Lions only 21 yards offense.

Detroit pulled within 35-31 at 6:24 of the fourth quarter on quarterback Rodney Peete's 6-yard scoring run. Sanders - who rushed for 176 yards on 25 carries - ran 6 times for 47 yards on the drive.

The Lions regained the ball with 6:08 left, but turned it over on Peete's fumble following a fourth down scramble near midfield.

''I think we played well to score 31 points against a defense like the Raiders','' Peete said. ''We had other opportunities, but had turnovers. You can't turn the ball over against a good team. Those things are frustrating.

''It's not like we're getting blown out. We just have to find ways to win the close ones.''

Peete's fumble led to Jeff Jaeger's 37-yard field with 1:55 left.

''I'm very disappointed because our team played good enough to win,'' said Detroit Coach Wayne Fontes. ''I will not say a word about the officiating, nothing.''

The game started on a wild note with three touchdowns being scored in the first 3:47.

Mel Gray returned the opening kickoff 49 yards to set up the Lions' first score. Four plays later, Sanders ran 35 yards for his first TD.

Schroeder evened the score, 7-7, 26 seconds later on the Raiders' first play from scrimmage when he connected on a 68-yard TD pass to Willie Gault, who fell as he caught the ball, rolled twice at the Detroit 15, got up and ran

past Bennie Blades and LeRoy Irvin for the score.

The Lions took a 14-7 edge using two plays, the last on Sanders' 5- yard TD run at 3:47. Sanders had 122 yards rushing in the first half, including 65 in the first quarter. The drive started with Peete's 51- yard pass to Jeff Campbell, which placed the ball at the Raiders' 5.

Cornerback Terry McDaniel helped Los Angeles tie it 14-14, when he intercepted Peete's pass and returned it 15 yards to the Detroit 6. Jackson ran 4 yards and then Marcus Allen bulled across the goal-line for his 11th TD of the year at 8:23. Officials originally ruled that Allen did not score, but a replay reversed their decision.

Peete put the Lions ahead 21-14 at 12:17 on a 7-yard pass to Campbell, who was breaking from right to left in the back of the end zone.

The 35 points were the second-most points scored in the first quarter of an NFL game. Only the 42 scored between Green Bay and Cleveland on Nov. 12, 1967 bettered Monday's output.

Detroit raised the margin to 24-14 at 5:45 of the second quarter on Eddie Murray's 47-yard field goal. The Lions marched the ball 50 yards in 11 plays, consuming 5:32.

The Raiders responded on the ensuing possession, using three plays before Jackson rumbled 55 yards for a touchdown at 7:21.

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MONEY RATES

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Money rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.65

60 to 89 days 7.40

90 to 119 days 7.25

120 to 149 days 7.19

150 to 179 days 7.11

180 to 270 days 7.05

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.73 - 7.10

issuers 30 days 7.39

issuers 90 days 7.22

issuers 270 days 6.94

Certificates of Deposit:

(Average of all major U.S banks)
30 to 59 days 7.90
60 to 89 days 7.73
90 to 119 days 7.54
120 to 149 days 7.51
150 to 179 days 7.48
180 days 7.45
Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.50
Eurodollar Rates:
(Interest rates in secondary
market bid and offered)
Overnight 7 1-16 - 7 3-16
1 month 7.75 - 7.875
3 months 7.50 - 7.625
6 months 7 7-16 - 7 9-16
Year 7 7-16 - 7 9-16
U.S. Treasury Bills:
(Secondary market discount
rate: bid and offered)
3 months 6.85 - 6.83
6 months 6.74 - 6.72
Year 6.65 - 6.63
Federal Funds: High 7 1-16, Low 6 7/8, 3 p.m. 6 7/8.
Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday 7. 231 off 0.047.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90345u0199 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (DEC. 11) UPI - Dr. Armand Hammer, head of Occidental Petroleum, died Monday at 92 and the nation's 16th largest industrial company immediately announced his hand-picked successor would take over.

Dr. Ray R. Irani, president and chief operating officer of Occidental, was named late Monday to succeed Hammer as chairman and chief executive officer.

Hammer died at his Los Angeles home after a brief illness.

Irani, 55, was named pursuant to a resolution adopted by Occidental's board of directors in February at Hammer's request. Irani has been president of Occidental since 1984.

He joined Occidental in 1983 as chairman and chief executive of its chemical subsidiary, Occidental Chemical Corp. and had been president of Olin Corp.

After a career as a research scientist, Irani helped create and develop commercial products and processes at Monsanto and Diamond Shamrock. He was born in Beirut, Lebanon and has a degree in chemistry from the American

University and a Ph.D. in physical chemistry from the University of Southern California.

Hammer's greatest single American business achievement was the rescue of Occidental. He already considered himself retired in 1957 when he took the reins of the company, then a small wildcat oil drilling firm worth an estimated $34,000. Ten years later it was worth $779 million. By 1982 it was the 10th largest oil company in the world, worth more than $8 billion.

Grateful stockholders, some of whom became millionaires on small investments thanks to Hammer's skills, created what a few dissidents complained was a ''cult of personality.''

They held their annual meeting on Hammer's birthday. Rising to their feet in elegant hotel ballrooms, they serenaded him with ''Happy Birthday, Dear Chairman'' and presented him with home-baked birthday cakes. Dissidents who tried to question his leadership, including his business links to communist nations, were shouted down.

In 1976 he was fined $3,000 and put on probation for making illegal contributions to Richard Nixon's 1972 presidential campaign. That black mark on his reputation was removed in 1989 when he was pardoned by President Bush.

In 1982 he masterminded the Occidental Petroleum takeover of Cities Service Co. for $4 billion.

Hammer also was known for having one of the greatest personal art collections in the world. To house the vast collection valued at between $250 million and $400 million, Hammer decided to build the $86 million Armand Hammer Museum of Art and Cultural Center in the Westwood section of Los Angeles. The plans embroiled him in a dispute with stockholders, who felt he was spending too much company money on charities.

He met with Soviet leaders on a personal level perhaps never reached by heads of state, and said the United States and the Soviet Union could and probably would co-exist, that both were led by pragmatic men with a justifiable fear of nuclear war.

After a lifetime of friendly involvement in the economic life of Communist nations, Hammer, whose parents were communists, prophetically told an interviewer in 1982 that ''socialism will be replaced in time by more private ventures ... because communism just doesn't work.''

He predicted that communism would be replaced by ''a sort of hybrid, a mix of government undertakings and private enterprise.''

At 15 Hammer borrowed $165 from an older brother, bought a used car and got a job delivering candy. Within two weeks he paid off his brother - with interest

- and owned the car. He made a vow he would be a millionaire before he was old enough to vote, and reached his goal by running a small chemical company owned by his physician father while attending Columbia University Medical School.

Fresh out of medical school in 1921, waiting for an internship, he heard Herbert Hoover, then American relief administrator, call for help to aid famine victims in the Soviet Union.

The 23-year-old Hammer bought a complete hospital from the government and went to Russia. The sight of peasants starving to death in the aftermath of the revolution convinced him food was a greater need.

At a historic meeting in 1921 with Vladimir I. Lenin, founder of the Soviet state, Hammer talked him into trading Russian furs for American wheat - which Hammer knew was a glut on the market at home - ending a breakdown of trade between the two nations.

Years later, Hammer said that Lenin ''told me frankly that Communism wasn't working ... We want foreign capitalists to come here.''

He moved to Moscow to develop asbestos mines, the first foreign trade concession by Russia since the Bolsheviks overthrew the czar.

His career as an international trader took off. He talked Henry Ford, reluctant to deal with Moscow because of his opposition to communism, into giving him a monopoly on the sale of Ford cars and tractors to Russia.

He made money in Angus cattle, building the largest herd in the world. He invested in a small distillery in the war years, got the jump on the vodka boom with the help of a Russian friend, and within several years owned the second largest distilling enterprise in the United States. In 1956, with his third wife, he retired to Los Angeles.

But Hammer grew bored with retirement and took over Occidental Petroleum when its stock sold for $3 a share. He built it to a high of $100 before it sagged. Under Hammer's guidance, Occidental consistently outmaneuvered such giants as Standard Oil, Texaco and Shell in international deals.

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#90345u0201 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 11) UPI - A federal jury Tuesday acquitted one of nine defendants charged with participating in an international scheme to launder $350 million in drug profits through downtown jewelry stores.

The jury's verdicts absolving jeweler Peniamin Masheredjian, 35, was the first acquittal in the case, though the judge had previously dismissed charges against a tenth defendant for lack of evidence.

After delivering its verdicts, the jury continued deliberations for the remaining defendants, including Raul Vivas, an Argentine gold dealer who was convicted on two counts in earlier deliberations and is charged with numerous others.

Masheredjian, of Glendale, owns A & P Jewelers and accepted deliveries of cash prosecutors claim was drug profits on behalf of the neighboring Andonian Bros. Manufacturing Co. over a five-day period in 1988.

Masheredjian, a brother-in-law of the Andonians, claimed during a six-month trial that he had no knowledge the deliveries, a series of packages, contained cash and denied involvement in the money-laundering conspiracy.

''We defended on the basis that he had no guilty knowledge of any conspiracy concerning money laundering and was not involved in the intent to money launder or (drug) trafficking,'' defense attorney Ted Flier said.

''The government overeached (in its prosecution) of my client and other defendants in the case,'' Flier said.

Prosecutors refused comment on the verdicts.

The government alleged that Vivas orchestrated the money-laundering ring through a currency exchange in Uruguay and that Nazareth and Vahe Andonian oversaw the laundering of hundreds of millions of dollars from 1985 and 1989.

The case is part of a massive investigation dubbed ''Operation Polar Cap,'' which has spawned two other multi-defendant indictments still pending trial.

Defense attorneys in the case have maintained that like Masheredjian, the Andonians had no knowledge the money they were handling was drug profits and that they typically dealt with large volumes of cash as part of their business's legitimate operations.

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#90345u0206 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL, South Korea (DEC. 11) UPI - North Korean Prime Minister Yon Hyong-muk arrived in Seoul Tuesday voicing skepticism over the scheduled talks with his South Korean counterpart on how to bring the 45-year division of Korea to an end.

Yon arrived at Shilla Hotel in Seoul shortly before noon after an hour drive from the truce village of Panmunjom 35 miles north of Seoul where he crossed the border accompanied by six other delegates, 33 support personnel and a 50-member press corps.

In an arrival statement read by a spokesman, Yon said his group came to Seoul ''with a heavy heart'' because a series of talks and contacts between the two sides have produced no results that can be presented to the entire Korean people.

Yon said there were ''roadblocks in our way to Seoul this time'' but his delegation decided to come ''taking everything with patience and magnanimity.''

Yon was taking issue with the arrest on Nov. 30 of three Seoul dissidents who returned home after attending a North Korea-sponsored meeting in Berlin seeking to push a ''pan-national union for national reunfication.'' The government had banned them from the meeting.

''To be frank, the time has past when reunification discussions were monopolized by certain people and when reunification movements were regarded heretical,'' Yon said.

''Who is going to benefit from this situation where authorities can travel between the two capitals unpunished while others face legal crackdown for meeting each other even in a foreign country?''

Still, Yon promised that he will present in Seoul ''forward-looking proposals of epochal significance'' for peace and peaceful reunification of the two Koreas divided since August 1945.

Yon and South Korean Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon will get together in an open session Wednesday morning at the hotel and meet again the next day behind closed doors to continue effort to hammer out a firm accord assuring peaceful coexistence of the South and the North.

The unprecedented high-level talks opened in Seoul in September, and a second round followed in the North Korean capital of Pyongyang in October.

At the past two rounds of talks, the two sides differed over what step to take first to bring about rapprochement. The South proposed a broad basic agreement for improved relations and the North offered a nonaggression declaration putting priority on military aspects.

The South said both sides must first recognize and respect each other as a political entities and on that basis build up mutual trust through active exchanges and cooperation. A mere nonaggression declaration was not dependable without mutual trust, the South said.

The North said a nonaggression declaration was the key to mutual trust and could solve all the troubles created by a state of military consrontation between the two sides.

A source close to the prime ministers talks said North Korea is expected to

persist in its stand and insist again on a nonaggression declaration while at the same time offering a parallel agreement on exchanges and cooperation.

The South plans to persuade the North to accept a broad basic agreement first and then move on to discussion of a nonaggression declaration and other military matters including possible arms reduction, the source said.

Yon and his party will return to the North on Friday.

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#90345u0209 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - Armand Hammer, a friend of American presidents and Soviet leaders, died Monday night in Los Angeles at the age of 92. Hammer was known as aninternational financier and well-known philanthropist.

156 Americans returned to the United States Monday after being freed by order of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. U-S officials estimate that 575 Americans are still in Iraq and Kuwait. Another freedom flight is scheduled for Tuesday.

The seven space shuttle astronauts are back home. The shuttle Columbia touched down in the darkness at Edwards Air Force Base. The nine-day astronomy mission is being called a success, despite problems with a computerized telescope aiming system.

Oil industry officials say Saudi Arabia has notified Japanese importers that it will suspend shipments of kerosene and gas oil to Japan until further notice. Saudi Arabia says the reason is decreased production caused by a fire at the country's main refinery late last month.

A report by the by The New York Academy of Sciences says environmental factors besides cigarette smoking may be playing a significant role in boosting cancer rates in industrial nations to an all-time high.

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#90345u0211 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1023.1
Monday	1015.1
Week ago	1013.1
Month ago	1034.8
Year ago	1060.5
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1007.8

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#90345u0220 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 11) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Quebec	0	2	0	1-3
Vancouver	1	0	1	0-2

First period-1, Vancouver, Bradley 10 (Nordmark, Bozek), 17:39.

Penalties-Sakic, Que, 7:57; Finn, Que, major (fighting), 7:57; Butcher, Van, major (fighting), 7:57; Cirella, Que, major (fighting), 11:17; Odjick, Van, major (fighting), 11:17; Wolanin, Que, 14:50; Gillis, Que, 18:52.

Second period-2, Quebec, Fogarty 6 (Cirella, Hrkac), pp, 2:30. 3, Quebec, Finn 3 (Gillis, Morin), 3:14.

Penalties-Nedved, Van, 2:18; Sundin, Que, 6:33; Lidster, Van, 9:57; Sakic, Que 11:47; Hough, Que, major (fighting), 11:47; Butcher, Van, major (fighting), 11:47.

Third period-4, Vancouver, Bozek 9 (Linden, Nordmark), 7:23.

Penalties-Cirella, Que, 4:35.

Overtime-5, Quebec, Sakic 19 (Hough), 4:05.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Quebec 7-13-7-3-30. Vancouver 15-17-13-0-45.

Power-play conversions-Quebec 3-1. Vancouver 5-0.

Goaltenders-Quebec, Tugnutt. Vancouver, McLean. A-14,132.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

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#90345u0222 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - The government approved Tuesday a manufacturer's plan to warn about 23,000 North Americans that artificial heart valves implanted in their chests are potentially defective.

Shiley Inc. of Irvine, Calif., a subsidiary of Pfizer Inc. of New York, decided to notify all patients with Bjork-Shiley ''convexo- concave'' heart valves in response to concerns raised by the Food and Drug Administration and Public Citizen Health Research Group.

The valve was voluntarily withdrawn from the market in November 1986, about five years after the first reports of life-threatening fractures in the mechanical valves surfaced. However, thousands of patients still have the devices and reports of fractures continue.

About 82,000 people worldwide - 23,000 in the United States and Canada - were implanted with the valve. As of July, 395 of the valves had fractured, resulting in 252 deaths. However, Public Citizen said the death toll may be as high as 750 because not all the deaths have been officially reported.

''When one of these valves fracture, the patient's life can sometimes be saved if the valve is replaced quickly. That's why it is important for .. patients to ask their doctors how to recognize early signs of valve fracture and what to do should it occur,'' FDA Deputy Commissioner James Benson said.

The FDA estimates fractures strike about seven of 10,000 patients per year, a risk of about 0.1 percent. Shiley officials have said that replacing valves already in patients would be foolhardy because the death from replacement surgery would be about 5 percent.

Public Citizen, founded by consumer activist Ralph Nader, had petitioned the FDA and filed a lawsuit attempting to force the valve maker to warn all patients with the potentially defective valves. The group claimed the manufacturer's previous warning letters, sent only to doctors, downplayed the valve's risks.

About 2.1 million Americans suffer disease or deformity of the heart valves, and about 40,000 patients undergo heart valve replacement surgery each year. Without surgery, many patients would die in a short period of time.

Bob Dreyfuss, a spokesman for Public Citizen, Tuesday said his group was ''very pleased'' with the new notification plan, but added that the hard-won victory underscores the need for improving the government's current system of regulating medical devices.

Under the plan, operated for Shiley by the non-profit Medic Alert foundation, all heart specialists and hospital administrators will be asked to identify patients with Bjork-Shiley 60-degree convexo-concave valves. Doctors will then be sent an information kit for each of those patients.

Shiley will also offer to enroll the patients for free in an international implant registry run by Medic Alert. Patients in the registry will receive identification cards and a bracelet or necklace saying that they have a Bjork-Shiley valve. They also will receive the most current information about their valves through Medic Alert and can call the registry for assistance 24 hours a day.

A plan is also being developed to notify foreign governments about the U.S.

program.

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#90345u0230 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. (DEC. 11) UPI - A sagging U.S. economy should lead to boom times for ice cream sellers, a Penn State food scientist said Tuesday.

''In a recession, sweet foods such as ice cream and candy generally do well,'' said Dr. Arun Kilara, professor of food science in the school's College of Agriculture.

''In times when people don't have much money to spend, an ice cream cone or a candy bar becomes a big treat,'' Kilara said.

Economy and regular brand ice creams each share one-third of the market, while super premium ice creams have a 20 percent share. Frozen yogurt, no-fat ice cream and other dairy desserts make up the rest of the market, Kilara said.

The ice cream market will be among topics to be discussed at Penn State's 99th annual Ice Cream Short Course, set for Jan. 7-17, with participants from the United States and several countries.

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#90345u0236 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2586.14	off	10.64
20 Trans	905.17	off	4.50
15 Utils	209.07	off	1.38
65 Stocks	909.42	off	4.35

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#90345u0237 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Tuesday	2586.14	off	10.64	905.17	off	4.50	209.07	off	1.38
Monday	2596.78	up	6.68	909.67	unchanged		210. 45	up	0.38
Week ago	2579.70	up	14.11	881.84	up	9.80	212.71	up	0.94
Month ago	2535.40	off	4.95	867.79	up	1.11	209.07	off	3.02
Year ago	2761.09	up	8.96	1203.41	off	8.72	233.46	up	1.82
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		

1989 Low	2144.64	887.94	181.84

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(DEC. 11) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 178.42 off 1.16
ASE Market Value Index 306.11 off 0.50
Dow-Jones Industrial 2586.14 off 10.64

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#90345u0249 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 10,590,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,281,234,570
Bonds - $6,660,000
1990 to date - $716,876,000

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#90345u0251 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (DEC. 11) UPI - The Columbia astronauts wrapped up a shortened but successful nine-day astronomy mission with a flawless nighttime landing, closing out 1990 with a ''resounding success,'' officials said Tuesday.

Despite a string of technical glitches and a day-early landing Monday, scientists were elated with the results of Columbia's ''Astro-1'' astronomy mission, hailing it as a major milestone in humanity's understanding of the violent universe.

''Words cannot convey our elation,'' said mission scientist Ted Gull. ''We are exuberant about the data that this mission has produced. The science that is going to come out of this data is going to be tremendous and we know we're going to help re-write textbooks.''

Technicians stood by Tuesday to remove precious film from one of the four telescopes in Columbia's cargo bay. The undeveloped ultraviolet film was to be flown back to the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md., for processing to find out what secrets it might contain.

''I think we've had a resounding success on the mission,'' said William Lenoir NASA's associate administrator for space flight. ''There's no question ... we have added to the state of our knowledge. It's been a great boon.''

With commander Vance Brand and co-pilot Guy Gardner at the controls, Columbia dropped out of a pitch-black sky after a fiery, hourlong plunge back to Earth,

settling to a smooth touchdown on concrete runway 22 at 9:54 p.m. PST Monday to close out a nine-day 141-orbit mission covering 3.7 million miles.

Landing at Edwards Air Force Base originally was scheduled for Tuesday night, but with a cold front sweeping toward the Mojave Desert, NASA managers decided to order the astronauts home one day early to wind up the year's sixth and final shuttle flight, the second by Columbia.

''Houston, before we go off the air, the crew ... would just like to thank all the mission control teams for just a great job when we had hardware failures and so forth, recovering everything so we could keep going,'' Brand radioed before leaving the shuttle. ''We're really glad to be back and to know that it was a team effort.''

Brand, 59, Gardner, 42, and their crewmates - John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, Jeffrey Hoffman, 46, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 47 - planned to fly back to the Johnson Space Center late Tuesday.

The goal of the flight was to study the most violent stars and galaxies in the universe with a $150 million battery of four telescopes sensitive to X-rays and ultraviolet light from deep space that cannot penetrate Earth's atmosphere.

Despite the early landing and a variety of problems in orbit, officials said data from Columbia's flight will revolutionize knowledge about the structure and evolution of exploding stars, especially violent galaxies and enigmatic quasars. It may also help prove the existence of as-yet-unseen black holes.

''I consider this mission as nothing less than a total success,'' said Lennard Fisk, NASA's associate administrator for space science and applications.

But few missions have had as many ups and downs.

Running six months late because of crippling hydrogen fuel leaks, Columbia finally blasted off at 1:49 a.m. EST Dec. 2 on its fifth launch try since May 30. Right off the bat, the astronauts ran into problems getting their Spacelab observatory up and running.

After working around glitches with a $50 million European-built telescope pointing system, the second of two critical telescope control computers overheated and burned out, leaving the crew with no way to aim three ultraviolet telescopes at their targets.

But in a remarkable display of teamwork and ingenuity, flight controllers and the astronauts improvised a plan allowing engineers on the ground to radio commands to the shuttle to aim the telescopes in the general direction of a given target.

After that, the astronauts, using a joystick hand controller, were able to zero in on the target and keep it centered in the telescopes' field of view as the shuttle raced along through space. Scientists said the new operating procedure was almost as effective as the original.

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#90345u0252 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 306.63, low 305.60, close 306.11, off 0.50.

There was a loss of 2 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,590,000 shares, compared with 9, 710,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	10
New Lows	44
Advances	225
Declines	344
Unchanged	271
Total Issues	840

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#90345u0257 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Domestic demand for natural gas, touted as an alternative to oil for political and environmental reasons, is expected to rise 2.6 percent in 1991 while its price will rise about five percent, gas industry officials said Tuesday. But its price differential relative to electricity and oil will remain the same, The American Gas Association said in its year-end statement.

The AGA quoted government figures predicting that natural gas prices to residential customers are expected to be 35 percent less than heating oil and 75 percent less than electricity. However, demand slipped 2.1 percent in 1990 due to warm weather and the economic slowdown, the AGA said.

By the end of the decade, the AGA said it expects an increase in domestic consumption of about 25 percent, with the biggest rise coming from residential commercial and electric utility use.

Domestic conversions to natural gas heating are expected to rise to 250,000 in 1990 from 181,000 in 1989, while the commercial market gained this year by the entrance of three major air conditioning manufacturers - Carrier, Trane, and York, to the natural gas cooling market.

In a bullish forecast, AGA officials argued that gas is a preferable

alternative to oil because of its substantial domestic reserves and its cleaner-burning qualities in cars and other uses.

"For some time, the natural gas industry has emphasized the national benefits associated with expanded natural gas use in markets such as vehicles, cooling, co generation and co-firing with coal in electric generation to help attain energy security, clean air and economic goals," said AGA president Michael Baly III at a news conference.

Baly said the industry's prospects brightened in 1990 with a renewed public policy focus on natural gas; the enactment of amendments to the clean Air Act; the completion of several major pipelines, and the approval of two more major pipeline projects. As a result, the industry now has a "three-to-five-year window of marketing opportunity" through which it can increase its market share.

Baly said the AGA anticipated an increased federal commitment to clean air, including promotion of natural gas vehicles, to be stated in President Bush's State of the Union speech early next year.

AGA chairman William McCormick called for the formulation of a federal energy policy. "It's important that the administration come forward with an energy policy. We must be one of the few industrial nations that does not have one," he said.

Baly added that General Motors will start production in 1991 of its first gas-powered pickup trucks and that there are about 300 natural gas filling stations now in operation nationwide, about 50 of which are open to the public. He also cited agreements by UPS and Federal Express that they will outfit and test portions of their fleets with natural gas.

McCormick said the United States has natural gas reserves to last at least 50 years.

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#90345u0259 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:

Stocks	-	145,330,000 shares
1990 to date	-	37,829,087,151
Warrants	-	1,041,400
1990 to date	-	247,973,000

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#90345u0262 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 11) UPI - Manufacturers of sparkling fruit drinks are counting on health concerns to help keep the economic downturn from eating into their

segment of the beverage market, a spokesman said Tuesday.

"We're obviously concerned about the condition of the economy," said William H. Brown, spokesman for New Era Beverage Co. of Dallas, producers of Sundance Juice Sparklers. "We're a premium-quality product, with 70 percent fruit juice content, and therefore a premium-priced product.

But, he said, some of the same qualities that make sparkling juice more expensive than other beverages also give it a marketing leg up on some of its competition.

"The average consumer of today is aware he or she should eat and drink sensibly," Brown said. "Not that they should be the health fanatics of the 1970s but that they know they shouldn't be eating red meat every day, should be watching their consumption of alcoholic beverages and things like that."

As a blend of fruit juice and sparkling water, without additives, Sundance and its kin are a perfect compromise, Brown said. "It speaks to the common desire for something that tastes good and is good for you," he said.

That trend in the industry, Brown said, has analysts predicting double-digit growth for sparkling fruit beverages through the next five years, despite overall questions about the economy. The category, which Sundance pioneered in 1986, currently has an estimated $115 million in annual sales.

Brown, visiting Chicago for a food brokers' convention, said Sundance is changing its labeling to target the health market. The new labels boldly feature on a neck wrap the statement, "70 percent fruit juice."

"Our research indicated that consumers were not surprised to find we were 70 percent juice, but that they just weren't as aware of it as we thought they might be," he said.

He said the brand also is working with the restaurant and foodservice segment of the industry to introduce sparkling fruit drinks in appropriate niches there.

For example, he said, a popular rib house chain recently featured sparkling fruit drinks in a successful campaign to increase its female clientele. College and university foodservice operations also have successfully featured the product.

"We think the traditional white-tablecloth restaurant probably will continue to feature wines with dinner," he said. "But our product might be an attractive alternative - for the designated driver, for example."

New Era Beverage is owned by a joint partnership including British brewing giant Guinness PLC. New Era is Guinness' first venture outside the alcoholic

beverage field, Brown said. Sundance is produced in Buena Park, Calif., St. Louis, and in Maryland along the Chesapeake Bay.

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#90345u0266 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Tuesday - $42,360,000

1990 to date - $10,357,457,000

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#90345u0281 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 11) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Tuesday - 9,874,000

1990 to date - 2,352,562,000

The market closed lower.

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#90345u0283 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 17 points higher to 31 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	76.20	76.40	75.83	75.94	76.25
May	75.60	75.80	75.35	75.45	75.57
Jly	74.85	75.00	74.65	74.92	74.75
Oct	68.60	68.70	68.60	68.60	68.60
Dec	65.95	66.05	65.85	65.98	65.95
Mar	66.70	66.70	66.70	66.65	66.65
May	67.20	67.20	67.20	67.20	67.20

Estimated sales: 7,500 contracts

Open interest: 40,447 up 827

The World spot average: unavailable

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#90345u0293 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (DEC. 11) UPI - Former presidential candidate Stanislaw Tyminski was given permission to leave Poland Tuesday after posting $100,000 bail to ensure his return to face charges he insulted Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki during the presidential campaign.

Tyminski, a businessman with Canadian and Peruvian passports who returned to

Poland to run for president, was summoned to the prosecutor's office in the capital.

Following a four-hour hearing, he told reporters the prosecutor allowed him to go ahead with plans to fly to Toronto Wednesday.

''I paid $100,000 and three people guaranteed my return by Jan. 5,'' he said. Tyminski said his return was guaranteed by two senators and Andrzej Zoll, chairman of the election commission.

Tyminski said he received a prosecutor's summons to report to the court of Nowy Sacz, southern Poland, on Dec. 17, hours after he booked plane tickets to fly to Toronto.

On Nov. 17, in the southern mountain resort of Zakopane near Nowy Sacz, he accused Mazowiecki of ''betrayal of the nation'' because Mazowiecki's economic program resulted in a 40 percent drop in the standard of living in 14 months.

Following his hearing, he said he did not retract his accusation and was ready to stand trial on his return.

''I cannot change the words I used,'' said Tyminski, who looked tired and whose voice was hoarse. ''I expect to stand trial.''

His Peruvian wife, Graziella Tyminski, said she would return with her husband.

Authorities apparently agreed to hold a hearing in Warsaw so as not to disrupt his travel plans.

Tyminski outpolled Mazowiecki in the six-way race in the first round of the presidential elections Nov. 25, but lost to Solidarity leader Lech Walesa in the runoff Sunday. He collected 25 percent of the vote to Walesa's 75 percent.

He showed a summons to reporters which referred to Article 270, Paragraph 1 of the Polish Penal Code which says it is a crime to slander the nation or insult top authority in office such as the prime minister or president. Conviction carries a prison sentence of between six months and eight years in prison.

Tyminski said the code dates back to the Stalinist period and noted that in the West, such a charge would be inadmissible.

''What I said about Mr. Mazowiecki would be normal in Western democracies,'' he said.

Tyminski returned to Poland after 21 years and his appearance on the political scene attracted millions of people disappointed with Mazowiecki's reforms. Despite the immense popularity of Walesa, Tyminski drew 4 million votes on Sunday.

''I am a symbol of hope for millions of Poles,'' he said. ''My duty is to stay in the country.''

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(DEC. 11) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.08	7.18	8.44
91-day Treasury bills	7.05	7.07	7.66
182-day Treasury bills	7.04	7.04	7.44
1-year Treasury bills	7.06	7.10	7.25
3-year Treasury notes	7.35	7.39	7.75
7-year Treasury notes	7.84	7.90	7.82
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.08	8.13	7.89
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.55	8.55	8.69
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.50	9.50	9.12
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.57	8.60	8.84
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.78	8.85	8.91
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	8.98	9.03	9.12
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.00	9.01	9.10

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.10	up 0.04
10 Public Utils	93.23	up 0.08
10 Industrials	88.98	unchanged

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 125.95 up 0.17.

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#90345u0308 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 11) UPI - The all-male Olympic Club Tuesday ended its 130-year ban on women members with an historic settlement of a 1987 discrimination suit brought by the city.

The board of the 6,000-member club agreed to admit its first woman within 60 days, adopt an non-discrimination policy that includes minorities and keeps in place an existing court order barring discrimination.

In exchange, the city agreed to drop its lawsuit and give the club an option to buy 17 acres of city land, part of which contains three holes of the club's championship golf course.

The city is also considering the alternative of exchanging the property for several hundred acres of watershed land in Alameda County, according to City Attorney Louise Renne.

Renne said at a press conference to announce the agreement, ''This is absolutely historic. We achieved just what we wanted to achieve.''

She said, ''I hope it sends a message to all private clubs to stop discriminating against women.''

Robert Kane, attorney for the club said, ''The board of directors felt it was in the best interests of the club to settle... it will benefit the club and the city.''

Although the agreement does not set a specific number of women to be admitted, Kane said the club had no intention of reneging on the agreement.

''We are going to live up to the agreement,'' he said.

Renne said if the city feels the club is violating any terms of the agreement, she will go back to court to seek a contempt of court order against the club.

''We will not have to file a new lawsuit,'' she said. ''The existing injunction will remain in force in perpetuity.''

The pricey club with a downtown clubhouse, as well as the two 18-hole country club courses has a $25,000 initiation fee for golf privileges, according to the membership office.

Non-golf memberships cost $4,500 for members over 35 years old.

The dues are $96 a month for members over 35. The cost does not include the price of greens fees.

Private clubs have come under increasing attack in California and across the

country for discriminatory policies.

Some states have begun challenging property tax exemptions, business expense deduction claims and liquor licenses. A number of corporations have eliminated policies of reimbursing executives for the price of club memberships.

The club currently leases the 17 acres of city land that forms three holes of the course. If the club sells any portion of its 354-acre golf facility in the next 50 years, the city will receive a 6 percent share of the proceeds.

Club directors and the board of supervisors met separately to consider the terms Monday night and agreed to the settlement, according to Renne.

Club directors rach a tentative accord with the city in 1988 but that collapsed when an opposition vote by members resulted in the contin ued refusal to admit women.

Directors voted agin in March to pursue a settlement with the city.

The city lawsuit charged the club violated California's Unruh Civil Rights Act which bars all business establishments from discriminating.

The city also maintained the all-male status violated a local city ordinance barring discrimination.

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#90345u0309 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2596.29	2606.93	2565.59	2586.14	off 10.64
20 Trans	906.30	913.61	899.93	905.17	off 4.50
15 Utils	209.70	210.64	207.87	209.07	off 1.38
65 Stock	912.20	916.94	903.06	909.42	off 4.35

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Tuesday	Monday
Indus	14,721,100	14,427,000
Trans	3,068,400	3,095,300
Utils	3,182,800	2,927,100
65 Stock	20,972,300	20,449,400

Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.10	up 0.04
10 Public Utils	93.23	up 0.08

10 Industrials 88.98 unchanged

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 125.95 up 0.17.

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#90345u0313 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NORTHERN SAUDI ARABIA (DEC. 11) UPI - From A-rations to T-rations and MREs, desert dining for U.S. soldiers is an alphabet soup of menu options that too often spells yechh!

That's why even at breakfast, when the troops open their eyes to a choice between strawberry oatmeal and meatballs with barbeque sauce held over from the night before, spicy, tastebud-numbing Tabasco sauce is always present at the table.

''It's not great, but it's usually edible,'' said Lt. Col. Dennis Hardy, 41, of Spokane, Wash., picking through a plate of cheesy lasagna on a dinner break from reconnaissance duty not far from the Kuwaiti border.

The lasagna, piping hot and known to soldiers taking part in Operation Desert Shield as a MORE, or Meal Ordered Ready to Eat, is the Army's latest innovation in mess-tent cuisine. It is essentially the same as the packaged meals hyped in ads lately as more convenient and superior to frozen TV dinners.

Whether they are tastier than Swanson's is debatable but for soldiers used to the standard service grub, the new meals are a godsend. At Sunday night dinner the lasagna was accompanied by Campbell's beef noodle soup, Del Monte's vanilla custard, fresh fruit and Milk Duds. M'mmm good.

But from there the dining options go decidedly downhill. As always, the Army tries to give its soldiers at least one hot meal a day when they are at a camp with proper kitchen facilities. These are known as A- rations. But soldiers say the veal patties and meat loaf supreme slopped on their plate by men on KP duty do not compare favorably with home.

When the ovens and spatulas are not at hand, military cooks prepare the next best thing - or worst, depending on one's palate - known as T- rations. These are dishes packed similarly to the MOREs but containing 20 to 30 portions each.

In classic style, soldiers pass through the mess tent where the food, warmed in a vat of boiling water, is poured onto their trays. Opinions are not overwhelmingly hostile to this dining choice.

The most familiar and despised eating option available is the MRE, which was introduced experimentally three years ago to substitute for the notorious C-ration and stands for Meal Ready to Eat.

Troops like to argue over which of the vacuum-packed dishes packed in mud-brown plastic bags is the worst but newcomers are charitably warned to avoid the chicken a la king. ''It tastes like dead rats in glue sauce,'' said one uniformed critic.

Happily, the Army tries to provide its soldiers with plenty of fresh fruit at every meal and offers massive quantities of bottled water, although it has also been trying to get them used to purified Persian Gulf water that tastes awful and arrives in thousand-gallon bladders aboard flatbed trucks.

Whenever possible, troops can enjoy Coca-Cola or Saudi-produced imitations such as Sport Cola or Dr. Joe's. Candy and cookies are also generously provided at nearly every meal.

But watch out for the chocolate-chip cookies. Rumor has it each one contains several chips of Ex-Lax, designed to insure that American soldiers of the 90s continue to make up a regular army. A U.S. military spokesman said the rumor is probably not true.

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#90345u0316 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - A brief episode that ruffled the usually smooth relations between the United States and Sweden was declared closed Tuesday, but not before sharp words were exchanged over policy differences in the Persian Gulf.

The flap, widely and prominently reported in the Swedish press, began on Nov. 22 when Swedish Prime Minister Ingvar Carlsson wrote a letter to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to express his ''feeling of deep worry and concern'' about the possibility of hostilities in the gulf and, in particular, his concern about foreign hostages.

Carlsson wrote, ''I hereby wish to direct a strong appeal to you to let the foreign nationals who wish to return home to their countries do so.''

At that time, there were 76 Swedish nationals held in Iraq. He appeared to be asking for special treatment for the Swedish hostages by pointing out Sweden's tradition of neutrality and recalling the work done for peace by such statesmen as Count Bernadotte and Dag Hammarskjold.

U.S. feelings were further inflamed when Carlsson linked the gulf crisis to the Palestinian issue, in a way that the United States had been trying to avoid. What ruffled U.S. feelings was the fact that Sweden appeared to separate itself from the United Nations condemnation of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Carlsson wrote, ''It is the view of the Swedish government that it is not only Kuwait which has been occupied by foreign troops. There is also the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Syria, as well as the Israeli and Syrian troops in Lebanon.''

''It is our sincere belief that the fundamental conflict in the region is the Palestinian issue, and lasting peace can never be acheived in the region until this problem has been solved.''

To State Department officials, this sounded like Carlsson was trying to curry favor with Saddam at the expense of the international feeling of solidarity against the invasion.

After an initial flash of American diplomatic anger, Carlsson clarified on Dec. 1 before the Swedish parliament that his country supported all the U.N. resolutions condemning the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, including the one authorizing the use of force.

On Monday, U.S. Ambassador to Sweden Charles Redman met Sweden Deputy Foreign Minister Pierre Schori, and after an exchange of statements, according to Swedish officials, ''mutually declared the incident closed. ''

But the suggestion of irritation remained in the State Department Tuesday over the Swedish government's breaking ranks on the hostage issue and linking the Palestinian and Lebanese issue to the gulf crisis, something that Saddam Hussein first suggested in August.

Spokesman Richard Boucher said, ''We believe that we must continue to take care to ensure that this (hostage) issue is not handled in a way which undercuts the international solidarity on the gulf crisis.''

On the connection to the Palestinian issue and a possible international conference on the Middle East, Boucher said, ''We are not now recommending that an international conference on the Arab-Israeli conflict be held, nor are we supporting a resolution in the Security Council that would seek to convene such a conference.

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#90345u0320 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	306.11	off 0.50
High Technology	323.47	off 1.67
Capital Goods	322.71	up 0.64
Consumer Goods	394.61	off 2.52
Service	721.55	up 6.54
Retail	1006.75	off 9.08
Financial	356.74	off 1.33

Natural Resources 214.74 off 0.81
Housing-Const-Land 235.21 off 1.55

There was a loss of 2 cents in the price of an Amex share.
REGIONALS

New England	406.39	up 1.44
Mid Atlantic	422.31	up 0.02
No Central	408.77	off 0.88
So Atlantic	881.85	up 0.22
So Central	300.35	off 1.88
Mountain	104.69	off 1.48
Pacific	352.21	off 0.67
Foreign	213.70	off 0.57

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(DEC. 11) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	241.15	241.15	238.60	240.00	241.25
Mar	243.10	243.10	240.70	242.00	243.25
Jun	....	....	....	243.90	245.15
Sep	....	....	....	246.30	247.55

Estimated volume: 101 contracts.
Open interest: 1,477 off 3

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	329.30	329.30	326.20	328.55	329.65
Mar	331.85	331.95	328.80	331.15	332.25
Jun	334.50	334.50	332.20	334.05	335.15
Sep	....	338.10	335.40	336.95	338.05

Estimated volume: 60,423 contracts.
Open interest: 169,672 up 241

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	179.65	179.80	178.10	179.20	180.00
Mar	180.95	181.15	179.45	180.50	181.30
Jun	182.40	182.40	181.00	181.90	182.70

Open interest: 4,707 up 81
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	547.05	547.05	542.00	546.10	546.85
Jan	547.75	548.50	544.50	548.50	548.95
Feb	....	....	....	548.50	549.05

Estimated volume: 2,947 contracts.
Open interest: 9,021 off 42

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#90345u0340 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (DEC. 11) UPI - Outgoing President Wojciech Jaruzelski apologized Tuesday for imposing martial law in 1981 and President-elect Lech Walesa, once the victim of the general's actions, vowed to serve the nation and defend its freedom.

In a televised farewell speech to the nation, Jaruzelski said martial law was neccessary to spare Poland further suffering, an allusion to the Soviet Union's threat to invade if Poland did not pull the independent Solidarity union into line.

By an irony of history, Solidarity's leader, who along with 5,000 activists were arrested and detained under martial law, succeeds him as president Dec. 21.

Walesa won Poland's first general presidential election Sunday over Canadian emigre businessman Stanislaw Tyminski.

''Erring is a human thing to do,'' the general said. ''I have also erred (but) I have not erred into tractlessness. I have always been guided by the good of this country, of its prestige, stability and the inviolability of its borders, by the will to spare Poland a tragedy and its people, excessive suffering.''

Jaruzelski stressed that he was guided by the feeling of responsibility for Poland while taking vital decisions, including that one which dealt with martial law.

The general, wearing civilian clothing during his five-minute speech, apparently referred to martial law when he talked of the ''harm, pain and injustice'' that has been inflicted on Poland.

''This is stuck in me like a thorn,'' he said.

Jaruzelski said he hailed Walesa on taking over his job. ''I wish the fruitful discharge of this weighty and greatly responsible mission,'' he said.

Hours before Jaruzelski's evening speech, Walesa flew to the holy shrine of Czestochowa from his hometown of Gdansk and prayed in front of the 14th Century icon of the Black Madonna, the most revered holy painting in Poland.

It has been a tradition for centuries that Polish kings and presidents - except Jaruzelski - traveled to Czestochowa before coronation or taking presidential office.

''I am kneeling in front of you, Holy Mother, taking up the post of the president of the most illustrious Poland because such is the wish of the nation,'' Walesa prayed.

His prayer was broadcast live by Polish radio nationwide.

''I swear to unfailingly defend the honor of Poland, its sovereignty and the safety of the state,'' he said.

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#90345u0341 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - Armand Hammer is dead... the space shuttle returns home... and 156 Americans freed by Iraq are back in the United States. Those stories and more, next from U-P-I.

Brilliantly successful international financier and well-known philanthropist Armand Hammer died last night at the age of 92. Hammer was a friend of Soviet leaders and advisor to 10 U-S presidents.

Hammer's death at his Los Angeles home followed a brief illness. It came just one day before he was to undergo his bar mitzvah... the Jewish ceremony of manhood normally undergone in the early teens.

Hammer is credited with saving Russian peasants from starvation and was the first American to send aid to the Soviet Union following the Chernobyl nuclear disaster in 1986.

The multi-Millionaire was so trusted by the Kremlin that they allowed him to enter Russian air space in his private jet... a rare privilege.

In 1973 he negotiated a 20-year 20-BILLION-dollar chemical fertilizer barter deal with the Soviet Union. At the time, it was the largest single transaction ever between a nation and a private company.

But his greatest single American business achievement was the rescue of Occidental Petroleum, which was a 34-thousand-dollar company when Hammer took the reins in 1957. By 1982, it was the 10th largest oil company in the world, worth more than eight-BILLION dollars. That same year, he masterminded the Occidental Petroleum takeover of Cities Service Company for four-BILLION dollars.

Hammer also was known for having one of the greatest personal art collections

in the world... valued at between 250-Million and 400- Million dollars. In 1971, he willed 12-Million dollars worth of masterpieces to the Los Angeles County Museum of Art and the National Gallery in Washington.

After a lifetime of friendly involvement in the economic life of Communist nations, Hammer prophetically told an interviewer in 1982 that- ''socialism will be replaced in time by more private ventures... because communism just DOESN'T work.''

Dr. Ray Irani, president and chief operating officer of Occidental, was named late last night to succeed Hammer as chairman and chief executive officer.

The 55-year-old Irani was named after a resolution adopted by Occidental's board of directors in February at Hammer's request. Irani has been president of Occidental since 1984.

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#90345u0342 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - Another planeload of Americans is due to leave Iraq today, heading for a joyful reunion with family and friends.

Yesterday, hundreds of family members cheered as a U-S-chartered Pan Am 747 jumbo jet carrying 156 Americans landed at Andrews Air Force Base.

Many of those waiting waaved American flags and wore yellow ribbons.

The airlift was the first major wave of U-S hostages to be released since Iraqi President Saddam Hussein decided Thursday to allow all hostages to leave Iraq and occupied Kuwait. The hostages were held against their will since August 2nd when Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait.

U-S officials estimated that 575 Americans are still in Iraq and Kuwait, waiting for clearance to leave. Another freedom flight is scheduled for today.

The former hostages were initially greeted on the plane by State Department officials and were then taken by bus to an athletic complex at the Air Force base. They are spending the night at area hotels.

The hostages were flown from Baghdad to Frankfurt, Germany, where they spent the night Sunday before completing the journey home.

An additional 123 British, Australian and Irish citizens arrived in London aboard two flights from Rome and Frankfurt.

Also, 384 Westerners, many of them believed to be Britons, left Baghdad yesterday aboard a British-chartered flight. Diplomats said some Americans were believed to be on board.

President Bush last week proposed high-level talks with Iraq to discuss the gulf crisis.

Iraq requested a meeting in Washington December 17th between President Bush and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, and a similar meeting January 12th in Baghdad between Secretary of State Baker and Saddam.

But U-S officials rejected the dates, saying they would like the timing of the two meetings to be closer together.

Yesterday, Aziz said Iraq is willing to change the dates to suit U-S officials.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - Texas Assistant Attorney General Steve Gardner says the winners of the annual ''lemons'' awards display show what he calls a ''primary adage in the advertising business.'' In Gardner's words- ''if you caN'T make it better, make it up.''

Philip Morris and General Motors each scored double whammies as consumer groups awarded their ''lemons'' for the 10 most deceptive or misleading ads.

The giant tobacco company and the car maker, along with six other firms, were cited for what was called the ''most misleading, unfair or irresponsible'' ad campaigns of 1990.

A coalition of national consumer, public health and environmental groups handed out the awards that consists of a victory statuette holding a lemon.

In one of the ads, G-M claimed to have ''pioneered the air bag.'' However, in awarding the auto maker a lemon, the Center for Auto Safety says the company only briefly produced some full-size cars with air bags in the 1970's. G-M went on to lobby against government regulations requiring air bags.

The group says G-M now equips fewer of its models with airbags than either the Ford or Chrysler.

The coalition cites Philip Morris print ads for implying that the Virginia Slims Superslims cigarette can help women stay thin. It also points to print and T-V commercials championing the Bill of Rights ''as part of a public relations effort to defeat governmental restrictions on tobacco promotion.''

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#90345u0355 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5,

1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	367.99	off	3.48	370.87	451.14
Industrial	396.85	off	4.66	401.94	440.43
Finance	361.94	off	3.38	366.65	509.52
Insurance	448.87	off	1.36	445.97	559.00
Utility	475.48	off	0.60	464.83	727.11
Bank	256.00	off	1.35	257.89	400.97
Transport	404.99	off	2.39	408.08	494.10

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 162.35 off 1.55

Industrial Index 158.31 off 1.88

NASDAQ-100 Index 393.11 off 5.77

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Tuesday 393.11 off 5.77.

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#90345u0383 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Occidntl Petrol	8,140,100	22 5/8	up 1 7/8
IBP Inc	1,791,300	19	up 2 5/8
AT&T Co	1,677,800	29 1/2	off 3/8
Texas Instrumnt	1,608,200	34 3/4	up 1/2
Genl Motors	1,454,400	35 5/8	off 1 1/8
Toys R Us	1,423,000	23 3/4	up 3/8
Conner Periph	1,405,200	25 1/4	off 1 5/8
LA Gear	1,361,800	16	off 3/4
Philip Morris	1,357,400	50 3/4	up 1/2
MCA Corp	1,261,200	66 1/2	off 1/8
Waste Managemnt	1,111,600	35 1/2	up 1/2
Wal Mart Stores	1,090,400	30 1/4	off 3/4
Genl Electric	1,075,400	56 3/4	off 1/4
GTE Corp	1,061,300	29 1/4	up 1/4

PepsiCo 1,028,600 25 7/8 off 1/2

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#90345u0386 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - The dollar strengthened for the second straight day in thin New York trading on reports from Europe that the Group of Seven, a monetary policy panel, might meet in January to discuss the dollar's decline.

An Italian central bank official told journalists in Basel, Switzerland, the home of the Bank for International Settlements, that a G-7 meeting was likely to focus on the weakness of the dollar and Eastern Europe.

That suggested monetary authorities, who until now haven't shown much concern about the U.S. unit, might be ready to brake its fall, and bolstered emerging sentiment that the dollar could stage a comeback in early 1991.

"It's a much more benevolent picture for the dollar," said Credit Suisse Vice President Francoise Soares-Kemp, noting that the German mark may be challenged as the full scope of East European problems is revealed. "A year ago, we were so imbued with this massive euphoria, with the (Berlin) Wall coming down," she said. "This winter we're not doing that any more.

"We know that this is a serious, serious problem and people are beginning to pale at the problems" in the former East Bloc, she said. "Portfolio managers may be thinking about adjusting (investments) a little bit."

Late in the New York session, the dollar was trading at 1.4780 German marks, up from 1.4720 marks Monday, and at 132.25 Japanese yen, up from 132.20. The British pound fell back to $1.9375 from $1.9435.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2650 Swiss francs, up from 1.2610; 5.0200 French francs, up from 5.0050; and 1,113.75 Italian lire, up from 1,112.

In Europe, the dollar also gained at the prospect of dollar talks by finance ministers and central bank governors of the Group of Seven, which includes the United States, Japan, German, France, Italy, Britain, and Canada.

"The market's been buying dollars in a reaction to the call by the Italians for a meeting of the G-7 to discuss the dollar," said Wayne Andrews, a currency economist with the Barclays de Zoete Wedd investment bank in London.

Earlier in the session, comments from Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, indicating reluctance to disgorge Kuwait, also boosted the dollar.

In Frankfurt, the dollar closed up at 1.4757 German marks, vs. 1.4696 marks Monday. In Zurich, the dollar rose to 1.2605 Swiss francs from 1.2580. In London, the pound closed lower at $1.9405 from $1.9455.

The dollar gained in Paris and Milan, to 5.0060 French francs from 4.9950. It was unchanged in Brussels, at 30.46 Belgian francs.

In Tokyo earlier, the dollar climbed sharply to 131.75 Japanese yen, from the previous day's close as 130.55 - a gain of 1.20 yen.

Traders said the gain stemmed from mark-yen activity, with the high-yielding German currency attracting Japanese investors. The dollar, which serves as an intermediary between yen and mark, benefited.

In Zurich, gold closed lower $372.50 an ounce from $373.65. In London, gold also lost ground, falling to $371.50 an ounce from $374.25.

Silver in Zurich closed higher at $4.15 an ounce vs. $4.04 Monday. In London, silver closed lower at $4.07 an ounce vs. $4.15.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $371.25 an ounce, down from $373.50 Monday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled gold contracts at $372 an ounce, also a decline from $374.20.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.09 an ounce, up from $4.065. Comex silver ended trading at $4.067 an ounce, ahead from $4.05.

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#90345u0387 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	19	20	33
New lows	50	51	45

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	566	44,946,800
Declines	963	78,638,200
Unchanged	500	21,745,000
Total	2,029	145,330,000

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#90345u0389 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Alza Corp	859,000	46 7/8	up 1 7/8
Polaris Industr	613,400	28 3/8	off 3/8

Contl Air Hldgs	351,400	2 1/8	off	1/8
Eastern Air pfD	307,200	1	off	1/4
Eksportfinan wt	251,400	9	off	1/4
New York TimesA	245,300	19 1/2	up	1/8
Americus T2 sc	236,200	5	off	1/8
Salomon wt93Jan	209,200	17 3/4	off	3/8
Energy Service	191,700	2 1/8	off	1/8
Diasonics Inc	188,200	2 1/2	off	1/8

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#90345u0395 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	179.15	178.13	178.42	off 1.16
Industrial	221.18	219.98	220.31	off 1.51
Transport	141.69	141.11	141.11	off 0.85
Utility	91.14	90.91	91.08	off 0.47
Finance	122.20	121.38	121.65	off 0.78

Equivalent to a loss of 20 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 145,330,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Stocks closed lower Tuesday in light trading, dragged down by weakness in high-technology issues in an otherwise quiet market.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 6.68 Monday, lost 10.64 to close at 2586.14.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 1.16 to 178.42 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 2.47 to 326.42. The price of an average share slid 20 cents.

Declines outpaced advances 983-566 among the 2,029 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to 145,330,000 shares, compared with the 138,650,000 traded Monday.

Analysts said weakness in the technology sector and profit taking after last week's advance kept the market in check Tuesday. High-tech stocks were

pressured by news the book-to-bill ratio - a key indicator of the health of the semiconductor industry - fell during November. The industry group that reports the statistic said the drop reflected "general economic trends."

The book-to-bill ratio compares the dollar value of products shipped to the dollar value of new orders received. So a ratio of less than 1 indicates that business is shrinking. The ratio was 0.9 last month.

"It means backlogs are declining and thumbs down on future growth," said Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King & Associates in Albany, N.Y. "Everybody is wishing they were 'short' tech stocks," meaning they would have been betting the prices of these issues would fall.

Program selling, used to profit on price differences between stocks and stock-index futures, extended the early losses, analysts said. Market watchers also said the perception that the market has run up as far as it can on hopes for lower interest rates sparked profit taking. "There are concerns about the economy, and even if we get lower rates it's going to be tough to get the market going again," said Doran.

On the trading floor, Occidental Petroleum was the most active issue, up 1 7/8 to 22 5/8 after the news of the death of Dr. Armand Hammer, the company's chairman, at the age of 92. With the international financier and well-known philanthropist who was a friend of Soviet leaders and adviser to 10 U.S. presidents gone, more than a few market participants feel the company may be more willing to restructure.

IBP, Occidental's 51 percent-owned beef processing unit, followed, surging 2 5/8 to 19. Analysts speculated Occidental may sell its controlling stake in the company in the wake of Hammer's death. AT&T was third, off 3/8 to 29 1/2.

Texas Instruments was next, up 1/2 to 34 3/4, bucking the weakness in the technology sector. The company announced an agreement with Toshiba on a semiconductor patent cross-license agreement.

But elsewhere in the sector, IBM lost 5/8 to 112 7/8, Hewlett-Packard slid 1 1/8 to 31 7/8, and Digital Equipment fell 1 3/8 to 54 5/8.

Among other blue chips, American Express fell 1/2 to 21 1/4, and Philip Morris rose 1/2 to 50 3/4. General Motors tumbled 1 1/8 to 35 5/8 as its Hughes Aircraft unit, trying to diversify out of the defense industry, Tuesday announced plans to enter the cellular telephone and communications business.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 181,787,340 shares, compared with 170,809,980 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex

Market Value index lost 0.50 to 306.11. Declines topped advances 343-227 among the 842 issues traded. The price of an average share lost two cents. Composite volume totaled 14,016,530 shares vs. 12,114,500 traded Monday. Alza led the Amex issues, up 1 7/8 to 46 7/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 3.49 to 367.98.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - An increasing number of women are using infertility services but the popular perception that more women today are unable to have children is inaccurate, the government said Tuesday.

The report by the National Center for Health Statistics, based on interviews with 8,450 women in 1988, presents the first national estimates of trends in the childbearing status of women of reproductive age.

In 1988, the report said, about 4.9 million women ages 15-44 had an impaired ability to have children, called impaired fecundity - 8.4 percent, or about one in 12 women in this age category. The figures are virtually the same for 1982.

In 1988, about 2.3 million married couples with wives ages 15-44 were infertile - 7.9 percent, or slightly less than one in 12. Again, the figures virtually mirror 1982 data.

Impaired fecundity describes difficulty in conceiving and difficulty or danger in carrying a baby to term. Infertility describes a woman's inability to conceive after 12 months of intercourse without contraception.

The report sought to debunk what it called ''popular descriptions of infertility,'' that suggest an epidemic of infertility among as many as 10 million couples.

''The findings of this report indicate that these perceptions are inaccurate, but the increased use of infertility services, the increased number of childless older women with impaired fecundity and other factors may help to account for the perception that infertility is increasing or that it is more common than it actually is,'' it said.

The report said the misperception is the result of a trend toward delayed childbearing and the aging of the ''baby boom'' generation, which has increased the number of childless women ages 25-44; new drugs and techniques for treating infertility; and an increase in the number of physicians trained to treat infertility.

About 2.2 million childless women had impaired fecundity in 1988, along with about 2.7 million women with one birth or more. In 1982, these figures were 1.9 million and 2.6 million, respectively.

Also, in 1988, as in 1976 and 1982, the percent of couples surgically sterilized increased with age and was greater among couples with children. In 1988, one-half of all married couples with at least one child were surgically sterilized.

About two-thirds of couples with at least one child in which the wife was 35-44 years old were sterlized.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Tuesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	5675	off 1000
Utd Telecom pf	64 1/2	off 15 3/8
PSI pf G	87	up 14
Kubota Corp	105	off 5
GaPwr pf	84 1/4	up 4 3/4
Captl Cities	435 3/4	off 4 1/4
Square D Co	52 1/4	off 3 1/2
Enron pf	188 3/4	off 3 1/8
Xerox pfA	41 1/4	off 3
Textron pfB	45 1/2	up 2 7/8
Atl Rich	121 3/4	off 2 3/4

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MOSCOW (DEC. 11) UPI - KGB chief Vladimir Kryuchkov warned against ''the danger of the Soviet Union's disintegration'' late Tuesday in a television appearance he said was ordered by President Mikhail Gorbachev.

Kryuchkov, in his unusual TV speech after the ''Vremya'' evening news program, said the secret police would use all their powers to prevent the nation from breaking apart.

''Now, when our country needs unity more than ever, we face actions that are splintering our society and undermining the fraternity and nations and peoples '' he said.

In an address marked by language typical of the pre-perestroika era, Kryuchkov even spoke in dark tones of external interference in Soviet domestic affairs

by unnamed foreign organizations.

But the KGB head directed most of his ire at internal groups he said are trying to destroy central authority.

''The danger of the Soviet Union's disintegration has developed,'' Kryuchkov warned. ''National chauvinism is being fanned up and mass rioting and violence are being provoked.''

Kryuchkov's nationally televised appearance ''on instructions from President Mikhail Gorbachev'' are in line with recent steps by the Soviet leader to bolster the government's strength and consolidate his own power.

The Soviet Parliament last week approved Gorbachev's plan to put the government directly under his control and to create three new law enforcement agencies that would base the KGB and other public-order bodies in the president's office.

The moves, part of a recent general stiffening of Gorbachev's policies, coincide with his campaign to persuade the 15 Soviet republics to sign a new unity treaty as the basis of a revamped confederation.

''KGB forces will firmly guard security, legality and law and order,'' Kryuchkov said. ''They have blocked and will block the road of forces that want to push the country to the precipice.''

''Anti-communist forces are scrambling for power and using undemocratic tactics,'' he said.

Nationalists have used elections held under Gorbachev's political reforms to replace communist governments in the three Baltic republics of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania and more recently in Soviet Georgia. Radicals have also bumped communists from office in Moscow and Leningrad, the country's two largest cities.

''KGB forces will effectively help the efforts by bodies of state power in the U.S.S.R. and the union republics to normalize the situation in the country and pull it out of deep crisis,'' Kryuchkov said.

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#90345u0418 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - Dr. Armand Hammer, the head of Occidental Petroleum, died yesterday at the age of 92. The nation's 16th largest industrial company immediately announced that his hand-picked successor, Dr. Ray R. Irani, would take over.

156 released Iraqi hostages returned to the United States yesterday and are

spending the night in hotels near Andrews Air Force base. Another flight carrying freed Americans is expected to leave Baghdad today.

The space shuttle Columbia returned to Edwards Air Force Base in California early today, eastern time. The landing was one day earlier than was scheduled because of a cold front approaching the west coast.

North Korean Prime Minister Yon Hyong-muk arrived in Seoul today, voicing skepticism over the scheduled talks with his South Korean counterpart on how to bring the 45-year division of Korea to an end.

Rival factions clashed with hatchets, knives and guns in an eastern black township in South Africa overnight, killing at least 15 people. More than 100 people have died in tribal fighting in the past nine days in South Africa.

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#90345u0426 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 11) UPI - Writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn was awarded the 1990 state prize by the Russian republic Tuesday for his history of the Soviet prison camp system, ''The Gulag Archipelago,'' but rejected the award from his exile home in the United States.

The daily Sovetskaya Rossia newspaper, voice of the Russian Republic, announced the prize in the latest bid to persuade Solzhenitsyn to return to his homeland from exile in Cavendish, Vt.

Sergei Zalygin, editor of the prestigious Novy Mir monthly that has been publishing ''Gulag,'' said: ''With all my heart, I congratulate the great writer on receiving this prize.''

Solzhenitsyn was exiled in 1974 by Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev for refusing to compromise with authorities. He has said he will return to the Soviet Union only when all his works are published there.

The writer, in a statement from his Vermont home, offered his ''gratitude'' to the prize committee for its award, but said he could not accept it.

''I would consider it unthinkable and impossible to accept a state award for this book while the majority of our people have still not had the opportunity to obtain and read it.

''The book is being sold on the black market at exorbitant prices. Meanwhile, thousands upon thousands of former zeks (Russian slang for prisoner) are living out their lives either without any pension at all or on a miserable one since hard labor in the gulag camps is not reckoned as work service.

''Under these conditions - for all of them - my receiving an award would be a

bitter irony,'' he said.

''But more than that: in our country up to the present day the phenomenon of the gulag has not been overcome, either legally or morally,'' he said.

''This book is about the suffering of millions and I cannot reap an honor from it,'' he said.

Vadim Borisov, who acts as Solzhenitsyn's literary agent in the Soviet Union, has said a seven-volume collection of his works will be published as a supplement by the Novy Mir monthly.

Solzhenitsyn's citizenship was restored this year by decree of President Mikhail Gorbachev, but the Nobel Prize-winner said the treason charges filed against him in 1974 must be dropped before he would consider returning home.

''The Gulag Archipelago,'' which chronicles the history of the Soviet labor camp system, was anathema under Brezhnev because it accused state founder Vladimir Lenin of laying the basis for the gulag.

Now that Lenin himself is fair game for criticism under glasnost, Solzhenitsyn's works have been accepted and the writer has a huge following among Russian nationalists and Soviet liberals.

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#90345u0437 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Tue	Mon	Tue	Mon
Argntn austral	.000203	.000204	4919.00	4890.00
Australia dlr	.7670	.7657	1.3038	1.3060
Austria schill	.0965	.0966	10.36	10.35
Belgium franc-c	.0328	.0328	30.52	30.47
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0069	.0069	145.89	145.02
Britain pound	1.9425	1.9447	.5148	.5142
Britain 1-mo	1.9323	1.9440	.5175	.5144
Britain 3-mo	1.9147	1.9330	.5223	.5173
Britain 6-mo	1.8934	1.8953	.5282	.5276
Canada dollar	.8636	.8648	1.1580	1.1563
Canada 1-mo	.8602	.8617	1.1625	1.1605
Canada 3-mo	.8546	.8559	1.1701	1.1684
Canada 6-mo	.8473	.8484	1.1802	1.1787

Chile peso-f	.003079	.003088	324.74	323.81
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001831	.001835	546.22	545.08
Denmark krne	.1763	.1767	5.6720	5.6600
Ecudr sucre-z	.001154	.001166	866.78	858.00
Egypt pound	.3539	.3564	2.8259	2.8062
Finlnd mrkka	.2815	.2818	3.5530	3.5490
France franc	.1992	.2001	5.0195	4.9970
France 1-mo	.1989	.1998	5.0282	5.0051
France 3-mo	.1980	.1989	5.0508	5.0270
France 6-mo	.1966	.1976	5.0873	5.0610
Greece drach	.006598	.006615	151.57	151.17
Hollnd guildr	.5997	.6033	1.6675	1.6575
HongKong dlr	.1282	.1282	7.7980	7.7995
India rupee	.0557	.0557	17.96	17.95
Indo'sa rupia	.000534	.000535	1872.00	1870.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7980	1.8110	0.5562	0.5522
Israel shekel	.5086	.5086	1.9660	1.9660
Italy lira	.000898	.000902	1113.75	1109.00
Japan yen	.007596	.007570	131.65	132.10
Japan 1-mo	.007631	.007607	131.05	131.45
Japan 3-mo	.007695	.007683	129.95	130.15
Japan 6-mo	.007803	.007800	128.15	128.20
Jordan dinar	1.5485	1.5509	.6458	.6448
Kuwait dinar	3.4258	3.4258	0.2919	0.2919
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000342	.000342	2921.00	2920.00
N.Zealand dlr	.6005	.6031	1.6653	1.6581
Norway krne	.1728	.1733	5.7875	5.7715
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	477,265	472,800
P'pnes peso-z	.0365	.0365	27.36	27.36
Portugl escud	.007713	.007743	129.65	129.15
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5839	.5849	1.7125	1.7097
S.Africa rand	.4003	.4009	2.4982	2.4942
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010593	.010599	94.40	94.35
Sweden krona	.1795	.1802	5.5720	5.5490
Switzrl franc	.7933	.7946	1.2605	1.2585
Switzrl 1-mo	.7925	.7940	1.2618	1.2595
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7910	.7926	1.2643	1.2617
Switzrl 6-mo	.7884	.7905	1.2684	1.2651
Taiwan dollar	.0376	.0374	26.63	26.71
Turkey lira	.000358	.000357	2793.00	2800.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6632	3.6632

Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0202	.0201	49.55	49.64
Germany mark	.6768	.6803	1.4775	1.4700
Germany 1-mo	.6760	.6794	1.4793	1.4719
Germany 3-mo	.6740	.6775	1.4837	1.4761
Germany 6-mo	.6762	.6740	1.4789	1.4837
Yugosl dinar	.0991	.0992	10.09	10.08

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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DALLAS (DEC. 11) UPI - A judge ordered the deadlocked jury in the federal fraud trial of former Vernon Savings and Loan owner Don R. Dixon to continue working on a verdict.

U.S. District Judge Joe Fish reportedly issued the order Monday after receiving a note from the jury saying the panel was unable to reach a verdict after four days of deliberation.

''It is our opinion we cannot return a unanimous verdict on all counts,'' the note said.

Dixon has been charged in a 38-count indictment with misusing Vernon funds to win the favor of regulators and politicians by paying for prostitutes, lavish parties and making illegal political contributions.

If the jury declares it cannot reach a verdict, the court could invoke the so-called Allen charge, instructing them in open court to reconsider their positions and warning that if they don't, the case will have to be retried.

The defense also could move for mistrial, a motion the judge could accept or reject. There have been two mistrials declared in recent Texas savings and loan prosecutions.

If convicted, Dixon could face up to 190 years in prison and a maximum fine of $9.5 million.

Vernon failed in 1987. Its bailout is expected to cost taxpayers at least $1.3 billion.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	371.51	367.73	367.99	off 3.48
Industrial	400.84	396.58	396.85	off 4.66
Finance	365.14	361.89	361.94	off 3.38
Insurance	450.73	447.86	448.87	off 1.36
Utility	479.14	472.73	475.48	off 0.60
Bank	257.44	255.29	256.00	off 1.35
Transport	406.83	402.81	404.99	off 2.39

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	162.35 off 1.55
Industrial Index	158.31 off 1.88
NASDAQ-100 Index	393.11 off 5.77
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.25 off 0.15
Volume	100,580,104 shares
Advances	625
Declines	923
Unchanged	1,218
Total	2,766

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#90345u0452 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (DEC. 11) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze held the first of five planned sessions to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis, humanitarian aid for the Soviet Union and possible dates for a superpower summit.

The talks, which began on Monday, primarily are aimed at setting the groundwork for an arms pact to be signed next year by President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

Speaking with reporters, Shevardnadze said humanitarian aid for his economically struggling nation will be discussed during face-to-face talks with Baker, which will end a day earlier than planned. The two diplomats will fly to Washington Tuesday night for a meeting with Bush on Wednesday.

''We would appreciate it, probably some food supplies. That is the most key problem and, of course, efficient economic operations,'' Shevardnadze said through an interpreter.

Baker said Bush has been considering food and medical aid to the Soviets.

''He (Bush) also has expressed an interest, and indeed a willingness, to be of assistance to the Soviet Union as they make this transition from one (economic) system to another,'' Baker said. ''It's a transition that's not simple. It's indeed quite difficult. It's something that hasn't been done before.

''I know the president will be very forthcoming in assistance and trying to help.''

But Baker noted legal restrictions dating back to just after World War II limit economic aid the United States can provide to the Soviets.

At the White House Monday, Bush signed measures to implement treaties between the United States and the Soviet Union to limit underground nuclear weapons tests.

Bush expressed hope that the action will ''lead to even more important advances in arms control and the preservation of world peace and security.''

Bush and Gorbachev signed the treaties at their summit in Washington last spring, and Baker and Shevardnadze are to exchange the so-called instruments of ratification Tuesday, thus putting the pacts into effect.

''We have a lot of work ahead of us,'' Shevardnadze said Sunday. ''We have to discuss the Persian Gulf situation and to seek ways for a peaceful settlement of this most acute conflict in our time.

''In this city, which was the birthplace of U.S.-Soviet cooperation in space, I hope we shall further solidify our cooperation on Earth.''

The Washington Post reported Tuesday that Baker's urgings of even a small, symbolic Soviet military force in the Persian Gulf were rejected by Shevardnadze.

Citing informed Soviet sources, the Post said Baker told Shevardnadze that such a Soviet military presence in the gulf area would enhance the credibility of the threat against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

But the sources told the Post that Shevardnadze replied that public opinion in the Soviet Union would not allow Gorbachev to make such a deployment.

If Baker and Shevardnadze agree on the arms treaty, which would reduce U.S. and Soviet long-range nuclear bombers, missiles and submarines, a date for the next superpower summit could be announced.

But high-level diplomacy to get Iraq to leave Kuwait, including a possible

Baker trip to Baghdad in January, has made the proposed January date for the next Gorbachev-Bush meeting in Moscow unlikely.

Iraq has told the United States it wants Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to travel to Washington to meet Bush Dec. 17, and Baker to meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad Jan. 12 - three days before a U.N.-imposed Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait or face the possibility of removal by force.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the administration rejected the Jan. 12 date, and that it wants Baker and Saddam to meet in late December or early January. The United States has recommended Baker and Saddam get together Dec. 20, Dec. 21, Dec. 22, or Jan. 3.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	128,699,500
Advances	735
Declines	1,129
Unchanged	2,329
Total	4,193

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, the nation's third largest life insurance company, Tuesday said it wants to change its structure from a mutual to a stockholder owned operation.

Equitable would be the first major life insurance company to use New York state's new demutualization law, which took effect in 1988.

By changing its structure, Equitable could raise more capital, publicly and privately, on a more timely basis. For example, it could sell stock in a public offering.

A mutual structure also prohibits Equitable from acquisitions and joint ventures with shareholder-owned institutions. Richard H. Jenrette, Equitable's chairman, said his firm ''wants to be an equal participant on a level playing field.''

Equitable's board, the New York state Insurance Department and some policyholders must approve the demutalization plan, which could take from one year to 18 months. Before then, Equitable could sell subordinated notes to private investors with the notes convertible into onwership shares after

demutalization.

Equitable started as a stock company in 1859 and remained that way until it became a mutual firm in 1918. Under that operation, there are no stockholders, but the policyholders are members of the mutual corporation who have certain rights. They include the right to elect the company's board.

Jenrette said the change in structure will probably not significantly affect the marketing of Equitable's family of life insurance, annuities and other products.

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#90345u0471 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (DEC. 11) UPI - The Nicaraguan Supreme Court ordered the arrest of U.S. rancher John Hull after the Costa Rican government requested his extradition on charges of arms and drug trafficking and murder.

Supreme Court secretary Alfonso Genaro Vazquez said a local district court was instructed ''to take Hull into protective custody'' if he is found in Nicaragua.

Presidential Minister Antonio Lacayo said he knew nothing about the Hull case but said the American is not facing criminal charges in Nicaragua.

''Hull is not being pursued for any crimes in Nicaragua. His outstanding accounts are in Costa Rica,'' Lacayo said.

A congressman for the ruling party, who asked not to be identified, said Hull was still in Nicaragua, living on a farm in Chontales province in the central Atlantic region.

The congressman said the farm is protected by armed former Contra rebels in exchange for financial help from Hull.

''Hull has disappeared from the public eye,'' he said. ''He is in Nicaragua and is being protected by Contra rebels.''

Costa Rican Ambassador Carlos Aguilar said his government requested Hull's extradition in accordance with long-standing extradition treaties between the two countries.

Victor Hugo Rojas, charge-d'affaires of the Costa Rican Embassy, said, ''We are filling out all the requirements so that Hull is handed over to us.''

Hull arrived in Nicaragua through Honduras Aug. 31. Immigration officials said he was given a 72-hour visa to stay in the country.

Hull rented a house in Juigalpa, the provincial capital of Chontales 65 miles northeast of Managua, but disappeared.

Hull faces charges of arms and drug trafficking and murder in Costa Rica for involvement in the illegal supply of money and arms to the Nicaragua Contras to help fund their 9-year civil war against the Sandinista government.

Hull is also accused of involvement in the May 30, 1985, bombing of a press conference by former Contra leader Eden Pastora in La Penca, Nicaragua, along the Costa Rican border. Two journalists were killed and several wounded.

The Christic Institute, an independent U.S. research group that has launched a series of cases in U.S. courts against federal officials involved in the Iran-Contra issue, has linked Hull to the drug trafficking trade and illegal supply of arms and money to the Contras when prohibited by the U.S. Congress.

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#90345u0505 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - International businessman Armand Hammer died last night at his Los Angeles home at the age of 92. Hammer built a stuggling wildcat oil company into Occidental Petroleum Company. He began his business dealings at the age of 15, when he borrowed 165 dollars from an older brother, bought a used car and got a job delivering candy. Within two weeks he paid off his brother. Hammer was a Millionaire by the time he was old enough to vote.

The space shuttle Columbia astronauts spent the night at Edwards Air Force Base in California, and will return home to Houston today. The shuttle landed early today after a troubled, but successful nine-day astronomy mission. Despite a string of technical problems during the mission, NASA officials declared it a ''resounding success.''

After six weeks of traveling around the world, President Bush is slowing down. Bush yesterday admitted to being tired and said he has ''a touch of the flu.'' Bush has canceled plans to spend much of the Christmas holidays in his adopted home state of Texas. On Thursday, Bush will make a short trip across the street from the White House to participate in the annual lighting of the national Christmas tree.

Kuwait's exiled Emir Sheikh Jaber al Ahmad al Sabah, has accused Iraqi troops occupying his country of carrying out indiscriminate killings of Kuwaiti adults and children. In a speech in Cairo, the exiled leader accused Iraqi President Saddam Hussein of conducting his campaign of terror to force Kuwaitis to abandon their country.

A strike delegation plans today to urge the Tribune Company, the owner of the Daily News, to keep ''keep the paper alive'' and in the words of a union spokesman ''to get management to actively negotiate.'' The strike delegates

left New York for Chicago yesterday. Wall Street sources say the company's 14-member board may want to cut the company's losses and close the News after a seven-week strike.

Santa Claus and a band of Air Force elves descended on America's northernmost Indian settlement yesterday to celebrate Christmas two weeks early. They passed out presents to every child, and gave the village a washing machine. Indian children in the remote outpost 120 miles north of the Arctic Circle greeted Santa as he emerged from the C- 130 Air Force cargo plane in 25-below-zero weather just before sunrise.. . about noon.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.90	9.54
Anchor Fund Inv	14.24	15.11
Delaware Mutual	17.09	18.33
Fidelity Fund	16.54	16.54
Investor Mutual	11.26	11.85
Investor Stocks	18.47	19.45
Investor Select	8.56	9.01
IDS Equity Plus	8.96	9.43
MFS Growth Stk	8.81	9.50
Nicholas Income	3.10	3.10
Utd Accumulated	6.21	6.79
United Income	17.11	18.70
Vang Wellington	16.58	16.58

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - A Marine stationed in the Persian Gulf died Monday after collapsing on a pier following a run, a Pentagon spokesman said Tuesday.

The Defense Department spokesman said the Marine died at 3:20 p.m. Saudi time Monday after a medical team was unable to revive him. He had been serving aboard the Iwo Jima with Detachment 6, Brigade Service Support Group, 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade, out of Camp LeJeune, N.C.

The soldier is the second Marine casualty in two days. The Pentagon said a Marine died at 3:58 p.m. Sunday aboard the U.S. Navy hospital ship USS Comfort where he had been taken after he had complained of headache and nausea. A Pentagon spokesman said the Marine died of a probable ruptured aneurysm. He had been attached to the 1st Battalion, 2nd Marine, Camp LeJeune, N.C..

The Pentagon now lists 56 military personnel having died while connected with the Operation Desert Shield in the Persian Gulf - 49 accidental deaths, one

self-inflicted, five of natural causes and one death under investigation.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 11) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev praised Armand Hammer for being ''associated with some of the most valuable pages in Soviet history.

Gorbachev's spokesman, Vitali Ignatenko, said that Hammer ''met (state founder Vladimir) Lenin and was close to the other Soviet leaders.'' Hammer died Monday in Los Angeles.

''Mr. Hammer is associated with some of the most valuable pages in Soviet history,'' Ignatenko told a news conference.

''Mr. Gorbachev has expresed sincere condolences to the Hammer family.''

Yuri Gremitskikh, a Foreign Ministry spokesman, said Hammer ''was a man that sought to maintain good relations even during the cooler times. ''

''He was not afraid to raise his voice to the leaders of both superpowers to have good relations in all spheres,'' Gremitskikh said.

There was no initial commentary by the official Tass news agency on the death of the philanthropist. It merely reported the death by its correspondent in the United States.

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#90345u0525 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

CALHOUN, Tenn. (DEC. 11) UPI - Fog triggered the chain-reaction collisions of 70 cars and trucks on an interstate Tuesday and trapped motorists in flaming wreckage, authorities said. At least 14 people died and 51 were injured.

''It's without question the worst traffic accident in the history of Tennessee '' said Cecil Whaley of the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency. ''It looks like a war zone. They just hit each other going full speed. They were blinded by the fog. They never saw the accident until it was too late.''

The fog rolled out of the Hiwassee River and onto Interstate 75 at about 10 a.m. EST, causing a tractor-trailer rig to jackknife ''and then everybody else just plowed right into the fog bank,'' Whaley said.

The Tennessee Emergency Management Agency confirmed 14 deaths and 51 injuries and reported the toll could rise. Tuesday night, emergency crews using spotlights searched the mangled vehicles for more dead.

''There's tons and tons of twisted metal,'' Whaley said. ''Getting a body out

from underneath all that is tough and that's what we're faced with now. It's going to go on all night long.''

In the moments after the accident, firefighters and surviving motorists worked in the fog and fumes to help the injured and to save those trapped by fire, officials said.

''There were lots of heroes,'' said Art Munck, director of emergency management in Bradley County. ''When we got there, it was so foggy you couldn't see anything. People were walking around in disbelief.''

''There's unbelievable stories of tremendous bravery,'' Whaley said. ''Firefighters were dragging out people whose trucks were on fire. They were getting them out just ahead of the flames.

''There were a number of motorists who stopped to help. They were taking off their own clothes to bandage people. People were actually on fire, and they were beating out the flames.''

Medical emergency helicopters joined ambulances in taking the injured to hospitals.

Thirty-five tractor-trailer rigs wrecked and 10 burst into flames, Whaley said. One of the flaming trucks carried the hazardous substance organic peroxide and belched toxic fumes that overcame at least two state troopers, he said.

''The troopers are going to be OK. But many of the injuries are very serious. They had to use 'Jaws of Life' on many of the vehicles to get the injured out '' he said.

The accident stretched for 2 1/2 miles on all four lanes of the interstate between Cleveland and Athens, Tenn. Police blocked off a 5- mile stretch to protect motorists from the toxic cloud until it dissipated after about two hours.

A propane tanker-truck wrecked but firefighters succeeded in keeping flames away, Whaley said.

''If that tanker had caught fire, the explosion would have been terrible and many more would have died,'' he said.

Dispatchers for the Tennessee Highway Patrol reported their switchboards swamped with calls from people seeking information about loved ones who were traveling on the interstate at the time of the accident. In towns near the accident, citizens lined up to donate blood.

Fog has caused problems on the stretch of interstate in the past and the state

had erected warning signs and reflectors, state Safety Department spokeswoman Sue Allison said.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	57	29	....
Anchorage sn	20	17	....
Asheville sy	62	32	....
Atlanta sy	64	41	....
Baltimore sy	58	28	....
Billings sh	65	36	....
Birmingham sy	66	31	....
Bismarck mc	44	17	....
Boston sy	53	24	....
Brownsville pc	76	50	....
Buffalo mc	46	25	....
Burlington Vt. sy	44	14	.01
Charleston S.C. sy	70	48	....
Charlotte sy	68	38	....
Chicago sy	48	32	....
Cincinnati sy	57	33	....
Cleveland pc	46	29	....
Columbus Ohio sy	51	28	....
Dallas sy	69	43	....
Denver sy	68	37	....
Des Moines sy	47	33	....
Detroit pc	49	33	....
Duluth cy	32	30	....
El Paso sy	63	36	....
Evansville sy	62	30	....
Fargo mc	42	26	....
Hartford sy	52	23	....
Honolulu sy	82	74	....
Houston mc	70	49	....
Indianapolis sy	56	32	....
Jackson Miss. sy	68	30	....
Jacksonville sy	68	35	....
Kansas City sy	62	42	....
Las Vegas pc	62	38	....
Little Rock sy	67	44	....
Los Angeles sh	74	55	....
Louisville sy	62	33	....
Memphis sy	66	39	....
Miami Beach pc	74	55	....

Milwaukee sy	40	36	....
Minneapolis pc	43	29	....
Nashville sy	66	31	....
New Orleans sy	66	36	....
New York f	54	30	....
Oklahoma City sy	67	39	....
Omaha sy	58	32	....
Orlando sy	67	41	....
Philadelphia sy	57	31	....
Phoenix f	77	50	....
Pittsburgh pc	49	26	....
Portland Me. sy	51	18	....
Portland Ore. pc	49	38	.15
Providence sy	52	24	....
Richmond sy	65	36	....
St. Louis sy	65	45	....
Salt Lake City sh	45	23	....
San Antonio mc	69	44	....
San Diego sh	75	49	....
San Francisco cy	57	50	.58
San Juan pc	84	70	....
Seattle mc	47	40	.20
Spokane mc	42	33	.40
Tampa sy	69	43	....
Washington sy	60	33	....
Wichita sy	60	32	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90345u0549 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - President Bush, brushing aside objections by Chief of Staff John Sununu, nominated Robert Clarke on Tuesday to a second five-year term as comptroller of the currency.

The White House, which expressed ''complete confidence'' in Clarke on Monday, announced the action in a one-sentence statement that included no mention of the Sununu's opposition or even Bush's reason for sticking with Clarke.

Just last week, administration officials were quoted as saying Sununu was trying to have Clarke removed. They said Sununu complained that Clarke's oversight of the banks is so tough it has caused a nationwide credit crunch.

Following the White House announcement on the Clarke nomination late Tuesday, Sununu could not be immediately reached for comment.

But Clarke issued a lenghty statement in which he voiced appreciation of Bush's support of him and also appeared to answer Sununu's criticism.

''I appreciate the president's expression of confidence,'' said Clarke. ''I look forward to the confirmation hearings before the Senate. ''

''This is an extremely difficult time for lenders, borrowers and bank regulators,'' the comptroller said. ''However, we can work through the current problems if lenders assume their responsibility to make loans and to take reasonable risks and if regulators follow a responsive, balanced approach.''

Last week, apparently at the request of Sununu, calls were made by the White House to bankers and other business executives to solicit their opinions of how Clarke has handled the job.

Clarke's reappointment was backed by Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady, who oversees the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency. The office regulates federally chartered banks, which include most of the nation's biggest.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - The second phase of the U-S build-up in Operation Desert Shield moves into a higher gear tomorrow, when about one-thousand Marines will be airlifted to Saudi Arabia every 24 hours.

American officials say all the freed American hostages who want to get out of Iraq and Kuwait probably are out already, but, just in case, another U-S-chartered jetliner will be leaving Baghdad on Thursday.

The parliament in the Soviet Georgia republic voted today to abolish a rebellious region and placed it under the direct control of the government of the southern republic. An independent news agency said its earlier report of a

declaration of a state of emergency in the region was wrong. It said the parliament only amended its constitution to give it the power to declare such an emergency.

The government today approved a manufacturer's plan to warn about 23- thousand North Americans of potential defects in the artificial heart valves implanted in their chests. Shiley Company of Irvine, California, decided to notify the recipients of the Bjork-Shiley ''convexo-concave'' heart valves.

A jury in New York City today convicted two more youths in the brutal rape and assault on a 30-year-old woman in Central Park in April 1989. Three other youths already had been convicted in the case, and one more youth faces trial early next year.

Tennessee authorities say at least 12 people were killed and 50 injured in the worst traffic accident in state history... a chain- reaction crash that involved 70 cars and trucks on Interstate 75.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Equimark Corp				
Increased				
Bank of Granite	Q	.11	1-31	1-18
Consol Natural Gas	Q	.47	2-15	1-15
Intl Flavors & Frag	Q	.60	1-10	12-26
Mercantile Bancshares	Q	.21 1/2	12-31	12-21
Oklahoma Gas & Elec	Q	.64 1/2	1-30	1-10
Reduced				
First City Bancorp Tx	..	.05	12-31	12-21
Intermetco	Q	c-.05	1-31	1-15
Initial				
Mexico Equity Incm Fd	..	.58	1-7	12-28
Year-End				
Excelsior Income Shrs	..	.45	1-31	12-26
Distribution				
Falcon Cable Systems	Q	.54	2-14	12-31
IP Forest Resources A	..	.72	2-15	12-31
REIT California	Q	.35 1/2	1-23	12-31

Usual				
Autodesk	Q	.10	1-4	12-20
Boeing Co	Q	.25	3-8	2-15
Boise Cascade Corp	Q	.38	1-15	12-21
Burnham Corp cl-A&B	Q	.45	1-2	12-21
Brunswick Corp	Q	.11	2-28	2-8
Capital Housing Mtge	..	.244	12-31	12-18
Chesapeake Corp	Q	.18	2-15	1-21
Culp Inc	Q	.02 3/4	1-9	12-26
Fleetwood Enterprises	Q	.21	2-13	1-4
Genovese Drug Stores	Q	.06	1-7	12-27
Graphic Industries Inc	Q	.01 3/4	1-9	12-20
Hanover Insurance Co	Q	.11	2-15	1-18
Seligman Select MF	..	.07	12-26	12-20
Star Banc Corp	Q	.24	1-15	12-31
Tennant Co	Q	.30	12-31	12-21
Tri-Continental Corp	Q	.25	12-27	12-21

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Two American-based companies have agreed to form a joint venture with the Soviet city of Leningrad to set up stock and commodities exchanges in the city, the American firms said Tuesday.

Transvik Inc., a Swedish-owned company based in New York and the Peake/Ryerson Consulting Group, of Englewood, N.J., said in a joint statement they signed a letter of intent last week for the deal. Terms were not disclosed.

It calls on the two firms to provide expertise and technolgy in market structure and its regulatory process; technology; clearance and settlement; training of participants; securities legislation; privatization, and accounting standards.

''Leningrad is anxious to have the most modern, efficient and technologically advanced financial markets in the world,'' said Junius Peake, chairman of Peake/Ryerson. ''We believe they will be able to achieve this goal very quickly.

The two companies said they will be using other international organizations with expertise in finance, accountancy and business education to assist in the rapid establishment of the new exchanges.

Transvik owns and operates London's Nordex Market, which trades Scandinavian equities worldwide. Peake/Ryerson specializes in consulting on financial

market structure and operations.

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#90345u0593 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - 92-year-old industrialist Armand Hammer died yesterday at the age of 92. Today was to have been the day that Hammer was to celebrate his bar mitzvah, the Jewish ceremony of manhood normally undergone in the early teens.

Family spokesman Howard Bragman said the bar mitzvah, which was planned as a fundraiser, will go on as scheduled today, but instead will be a tribute to Hammer and will include his grandson. Hammer was chairman of Occidental Petroleum.

Another flight is scheduled to carry freed Americans out of Iraq today. 156 Americans arrived yesterday at Andrews Air Force Base near the nation's capital. U-S officials estimate that 575 Americans are still in Iraq and Kuwait.

The space shuttle Columbia landed early today one day early due to an approaching cold front near the California landing site. Despite a variety of problems in orbit, officials said Columbia's flight will revolutionize knowledge about the structure and evolution of exploding stars.

Japan's journalist-in-space didN'T do much for anti-smoking forces. When Toyohiro Akiyama returned to earth in a Soviet spaceship yesterday, practically the first words to cross his lips were ''I sure do want a cigarette.''

Jurors in the Central Park rape and beating trial worked in vain through an 11th day of deliberations yesterday. Showing signs of fatigue and strain, the panel broke last night following a day of marathon deliberations.

Coast Guard and Navy officials are searching the Gulf of Mexico for two Navy pilots missing since yesterday when their jets collided. The two Navy Skyhawk jets were on maneuvers near Key West, Florida, when the in-flight crash occurred.

The U-N Security Council once again delayed a debate yesteday on whether to hold an international peace conference on the Middle East. Diplomats say the delay was because of U-S opposition. The issue may come up again tomorrow.

Police in the Philippines say a lawyer and a policeman were killed in ambushes within 35 minutes of each other today in Manila's tourist district. They say the attacks apparently were carried out by the same unidentified gunmen.

Officials say the ruling communists in Serbia and Montenegro headed for massive victories in Sunday's first post-war multi-party elections in the two

Yugoslav republics. Opposition leaders in Serbia all but conceded defeat yesterday.

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#90345u0595 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - The new orange crop, led by a robust recovery in Florida from last winter's devastating freeze, will fill 229.7 million boxes, the government forecast Tuesday, a slight decrease from its earlier estimates.

All the same, the new crop would be 23 percent larger than last season's crop, which was slashed dramatically by freeze damage in the South. Texas groves were damaged so severely the government expects little production this season.

Oranges are the dominant U.S. citrus crop and Florida is the No. 1 orange state, producing about two-thirds of the nation's total. Last season's crop totaled 186 million boxes, 11 percent smaller than the 1988-1989 crop.

The new numbers reflect the severity of last winter's cold snap. In one variety of oranges, Florida temples, the forecast ''is more than double last season's freeze-reduced crop,'' the Agriculture Department said.

Temperatures have been milder this year, particularly in Florida, and the department noted ''most of the groves and trees in the state are in good shape due to extensive irrigation in all areas.''

The department projected Florida would harvest 165 million boxes this season, compared to 110.2 million boxes in 1989-1990 and in line with the 165 million projected last month.

Early and mid-season varieties were projected for 95 million boxes, compared to 68.1 million last season. Valencia production, only 42.1 million boxes last season, was pegged at 70 million boxes this season.

California growers were estimated to harvest 63 million boxes, a drop of 14 percent from last season's 73.1 million boxes. The new crop was projected to include 40 million boxes of navel oranges, 9 percent less than last season, and 23 million boxes of Valencias, 21 percent less.

Frozen concentrated juice yield from Florida oranges was estimated at 1.50 gallons per box, a slight change from the 1.52 estimated last month. Freeze losses held last season's yield to 1.23 gallons per box. The record is 1.55 gallons, set in 1987-1988.

Grapefruit production was forecast for 55.1 million boxes, up sharply from the 48.6 million boxes harvested last season.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Standard & Poor's Corp. gave a relatively favorable A-minus credit rating Tuesday to a $1.2 billion New York City bond issue going on sale this week, but left a shadow hanging over city finances by extending a ''credit watch'' warning that a total $15.1 billion in bonds could be downgraded.

The move by S&P's could boost the interest rate the strapped Apple will have to pay to finance operations. Rates were already rising in light of strains on New York's tightening budget and investor skepticism. It could also make a tougher job out of marketing the latest bond issue.

''It's going to be quite a challenge for the city in many respects, because for the municipal market it will be the largest bond issue this year without question,'' said S.E. Canaday Jr., vice president for new issue pricing with John Nuveen & Co., a major municipal market player.

''It's an issue by a city that's having fiscal problems,'' Canaday explained. ''In the last six months or so, investors have been shying away from issues (by cities) that are having fiscal problems.'' Economically distressed New York has pared $1 billion from its budget - and the cuts aren't over.

In the rating agency's grading system, the A-minus rating indicates ''a strong capacity to pay interest and repay principal,'' but qualifies issuers as ''more susceptible to the adverse effects'' of an economic downturn.

That left the Big Apple's new debt issue one full step above the speculative grade of investment, below S&P's BBB level. But the agency's announcement had a sting in its tail: the new issue joins the existing total of $13.9 billion in general obligation debt listed on credit watch.

S&P's put that existing debt on credit watch Oct. 9, explaining this was an ''interim cautionary measure to all users of our ratings.'' The agency said then that it too the step in light of a new contract with city teachers calling for a 5.5 percent salary hike, and higher anti- crime spending.

Maury Cooper, an S&P's vice president, said the city debt would remain on the credit watch until Jan. 16, when city officials have promised to give detailed plans on closing a $1.3 billion gap in the fiscal 1992 budget.

''We've said from the beginning that we were waiting for that issue to be resolved before we took action on the credit watch,'' she said.

''Until you have that (budget) document, all you have is a problem, you don't have the solution,'' Cooper said. ''When that document is issued on the 16th of January, we will reach a conclusion whether it is realistic.''

S&P's said it expected the city to take ''all the necessary actions to achieve fiscal balance.'' But it added that ''in light of the contracting economy that challenge will be more difficult to meet than in prior years.''

To keep its A-minus rating, New York must draft a budget ''that reflects the uncertainty of the economic environment and balances achievable revenue assumptions with necessary service reductions,'' S& P's said.

City officials nonetheless said they were pleased with the S&P's rating, and said they were in talks with Moody's Investors Services Inc. , another leading rating agency, on its grading of New York's creditworthiness.

Deputy Mayor for Finance and Economic Development Sally Hernandez- Pinero said city officials told Moody's that New York's economy ''is going to continue to go down, and the city's problems are severe ones.''

All in all, Candady said, S&P's rating Tuesday was lukewarm - but preferable to a downgrade to one step above speculative-grade.

He said S&P's was ''trying to have their cake and eat it too'' in affirming the A-minus rating but leaving city debt on credit watch.

''What they're saying now is, you could buy these bonds now and a month from now they could downgrade them,'' Canaday said. ''It's serving notice that you still don't love (the credit quality of the issue), but you're going to leave it where it is. I think it should be more clearcut.''

Canaday said First Boston Corp. and other bond issue managers will be pricing the bond issue Wednesday, setting a market interest rate low enough for the city to afford but high enough to draw investors. He said the new issue might need a relatively high 8 3/4 percent yield to sell out.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Detroit Lions running back Barry Sanders and New York Giants linebacker Lawrence Taylor were named the NFC players of the week Tuesday.

Sanders, a second-year player out of Oklahoma State, rushed for 176 yards and two touchdowns in Detroit's 38-31 loss to the Los Angeles Raiders Monday.

Sanders leads the NFC with 1,081 yards on 209 carries and 10 touchdowns. He also leads the conference in scrimmage yards with 1,471 and has 390 yards receiving. Sanders is the 10th NFL player to rush for 1,000 yards in his first two seasons.

His Offensive Player of the Week Award is Sanders' first.

Taylor, in his 10th year out of North Carolina, had nine tackles, 2.5 sacks, a forced fumble and an interception in the Giants' 23-15 win over Minnesota, which clinched New York's second straight NFC east title.

The nine-time Pro Bowler won NFC Defensive Player of the Week honors five times since 1988, twice in the 14 weeks of the current season.

Runners-up in the offensive category were Phoenix's Ricky Prohel, New Orleans' Gil Fenerty and Washington's Earnest Byner. On the defensive side, the also-rans were Chicago's Mark Carrier, Phoenix's Marcus Turner and New Orleans' Brett Maxie.

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#90345u0636 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - The Bush administration has recommended that the U.S. Supreme Court hear an antitrust lawsuit filed by the National Football League Players Association against team owners.

The players argue in the case ''Powell v. NFL'' that limits on their ability to be free agents violate antitrust laws.

In June, the justices asked for the opinion of the solicitor general, who is the administration's advocate before the Supreme Court.

If the court decides to hear the case and rules in favor of the NFLPA, it could alter labor relations in the NFL and other pro sports leagues. Even the entertainment industry could feel the impact.

In a 20-page brief filed Monday, Solicitor General Kenneth Starr told the court that the case presents a ''difficult question'' regarding antitrust law that the justices should resolve.

While the brief gives the NFLPA's complaint a boost, the solicitor general's opinion does not ensure the justices will hear the case.

The NFLPA has not had a collective bargaining agreement with the owners since Aug. 31, 1987. It has not been an official union since decertifying in November 1989 after the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals decided the league's system of free agent compensation was beyond challenge.

Starr said the 8th Circuit's decision gave the NFL an ''overly expansive'' exemption for player restrictions under antitrust laws.

In reaction to the solicitor general's recommendation, NFL spokesman Joe Browne said in a statement: ''We continue to believe that the 8th (Circuit) was correct on its earlier ruling. If the Supreme Court decides to hear the

case, we believe the court will also agree and confirm the 8th Circuit decision.''

Gene Upshaw, executive director of the NFLPA, said in a statement announcing the solicitor general's filing: ''We are extremely gratified by the U.S. government's support of the players' appeal. We have said for the last year that the 8th Circuit decision was bad law, as it hurts not only the players but employees in the entertainment industry as well.''

''Now the top lawyers of the government, including experts on antitrust law and labor law, have agreed with us that it should be reversed by the Supreme Court.''

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#90345u0648 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed higher Tuesday with investors shrugging off a rise in the U.S. dollar and hawkish remarks from Iraq as arbitrageurs and institutions combined to stretch the market's rally to five straight days.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which gained 262.18 points Monday, rose another 172.30 points to 23,956.97.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares, which rose 16.68 points Monday, added another 14.61 points to 1, 771.63.

Volume was moderate as an estimated 530 million shares changed hands, up from 436 million Monday.

Advances topped declines 618 to 322, while 158 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices closed slightly lower on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index, which had been down more than 20 points in late trading, slipped only 4.54 points to 3,144.62. The loss followed a drop Monday of 14.56 points.

Among the narrower market indexes, financials shed 14.40 points, utilities inched up 5.49, properties dropped 5.94 and industrials sank 3.08 points.

Volume was moderate as an estimated 725 million shares changed hands, down from the 961 million Monday and far below lask week's levels of more than 1 billion shares daily.

In Singapore, stock prices on the Singapore Stock Exchange slipped in a round of profit taking while bargain-hunters halted the decline.

The blue-chip Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 17.98 points Monday, eased 3.17 points to 1,176.70. The broader-based All Singapore Index fell 1.34 points to 325.81.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 33.8 million shares, compared with 44.2 million shares Monday.

Elsewhere around the region, a strong rally in oil stocks boosted prices in active trading on the Manila Stock Exchange.

The Manila Composite Stock Index of 25 selected issues, which gained 21.16 points Monday, added another 21.14 points to 664.29.

In Seoul, stock prices closed lower on the Korean Stock Exchange. The Korean Composite Stock Index lost 9.77 points to 725.56.

In Taipei, stocks closed higher on the Taiwan Stock Exchange.

The Taiwan Weighted Index gained 71.41 points to 4,593.72.

In Australia, stock prices closed lower in moderate trading on the Sydney Sharemarket amid signs of developing political instability.

The All Ordinaries, which eased 6.1 points Monday, fell 8.0 points to 1,321.6.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 59.9 million shares, compared with 65.5 million shares Monday.

Meanwhile, in Wellington, stock prices closed lower in light trading on the New Zealand Stock Exchange.

The Barclays Share-Price Index fell 19.36 points to 1,244.74.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - Armand Hammer, who had the ear of Soviet leaders when U-S presidents did NOT, died last night in Los Angeles at the age of 92. Hammer, the chairman of Occidental Petroleum, died after a brief illnesss. All during his life, Hammer enjoyed a friendly involvement in the economic life of Communist nations. Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev today praised Hammer, saying he was ''associated with some of the most valuable pages in Soviet history.''

156 former American hostages returned to the United States yesterday, among the first Westerners freed under Saddam Hussein's order to release all of those held against their will. Another planeload of Americans is due to leave

today. Baghdad Radio reports that a British-chartered Iraqi Airways jet liner is waiting to load up with foreign hostages, and then fly to London and freedom.

The Pentagon says a Marine stationed in the Persian Gulf died yesterday after collapsing on a pier following a run. A Defense Department spokesman said the Marine died after a medical team was unable to revive him. He is the second Marine casualty in two days. The Pentagon said another Marine died Sunday aboard the U-S Navy hospital ship U-S-S Comfort, where he had been taken after complaining of headache and nausea. A Pentagon spokesman said the Marine died of a probable ruptured aneurysm.

A Chinese man studying at Texas A-and-M has returned to his homeland to demand an ''open and fair'' trial for a dissident accused of plotting to overthrow the communist government. 31-year-old Ge Xun says he is NOT afraid to risk arrest for standing up for the man.

North Korean Prime Minister Yon Hyong-muk expressed both doubts and hope as he arrived in Seoul today for talks with his South Korean counterpart Kang Young-hoon. Kang said in a speech that the two Koreas must build a structure of co-operation based on reconciliation and mutual trust to pave the way for their re- unification.

The death toll from tribal fighting in South Africa since the weekend stands at 29. Police say the bodies of 13 people, hacked or stabbed to death, were found this morning. Two other bodies were found last night. The government has ordered more troops, backed by air support, sent to the area.

Cambodian resistance leader Norodom Sihanouk offered today to set aside his claims to leadership of a joint council in order to break a deadlock that has stalled progress towards peace in Cambodia. Disputes over the leadership of the Supreme National Council have kept the Council from meeting. The council is the key to a United Nations peace plan.

Barbara Bush unveiled the White House yuletide decorations yesterday. .. expressing delight that the Christmas season is beginning with the return of American hostages from Kuwait and Iraq. But she also said the first family will forego its annual yuletide trip to Texas to remain close to the White House during the Persian Gulf crisis.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - Iraq pardoned all of its dissidents and deserters Tuesday, Western hostages who were ordered freed by Saddam Hussein waited to leave, and a published report said Moscow has rejected a U.S. request for a small Soviet military presence in the Persian Gulf.

A Pentagon spokesman said a Marine stationed in the gulf died after collapsing on a pier following a run, boosting the number of military personnel who have died in connection with Operation Desert Shield to 56.

The Washington Post reported that U.S. Secretary of State James Baker's urgings of even a small, symbolic Soviet military force in the gulf region were rejected by Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

Citing informed Soviet sources, the Post said Baker told Shevardnadze that such a Soviet military presence would enhance the credibility of the threat against Saddam.

But the sources told the Post that Shevardnadze replied that public opinion in the Soviet Union would not allow Mikhail Gorbachev to make such a deployment.

A British-chartered Iraqi Airways jetliner was waiting to load up with foreign hostages, Baghdad Radio reported, and then fly to London and freedom.

Hundreds of family members, many waving American flags and wearing yellow ribbons, cheered as a U.S.-chartered Pan Am 747 jumbo jet carrying 156 loved ones landed at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., Monday.

The airlift was the first major wave of U.S. hostages to be released since Saddam decided Thursday to allow all hostages to leave Iraq and occupied Kuwait. The hostages had been held against their will since Aug. 2 when Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait.

U.S. officials estimated 575 Americans were still in Iraq and Kuwait, waiting for clearance to leave. Another freedom flight was scheduled for Tuesday.

An additional 123 British, Australian and Irish citizens arrived in London aboard two flights from Rome and Frankfurt.

Also, 384 Westerners, many of them believed to be Britons, left Baghdad Monday aboard a British-chartered flight. Diplomats said some Americans were believed to be on board.

In Washington, Israeli Premier Yitzhak Shamir was scheduled to meet President Bush Tuesday to discuss the gulf crisis.

The Shamir-Bush meeting will take place as the U.N. Security Council postponed yet again discussions on a resolution protecting the rights of Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories.

The radio said Israel was opposed to any inclusion in the resolution of a Soviet and Arab-backed clause calling for an international conference on the Middle East. The Bush administration was wary of endorsing such a clause at this stage in case it was seen as proving a link between the Arab-Israeli

issue and Iraq's occupation of Kuwait, the radio added.

Saddam has consistently criticized the United States and its allies for mobilizing world opinion on the Kuwait issue but failing to take similar measures against its ally Israel for the Jewish state's violation of U.N. resolutions that call for Israeli withdrawal from the territories it captured during the 1967 Israeli-Arab war.

In Baghdad, Iraq's ruling Revolutionary Command Council issued a pardon for all Iraqi dissidents and army deserters.

Iraq's official INA news agency said the pardon covered both political crimes and those who deserted their posts or went absent without leave since Iraq invaded Kuwait four months ago.

One Cairo-based Western diplomat said a number of Iraqi soldiers were known to have defected to countries neighboring Iraq such as Turkey and Saudi Arabia since Saddam Hussein ordered his armies into tiny, oil-rich Kuwait.

Saddam's pardon would also apparently affect deserters from the Kuwait campaign should they decide to return. The diplomat said, however, those deserters, remembering past instances, might be too frightened to return home despite the pledge of a pardon for fear of execution.

The United States offered political asylum to Iraq seamen after the imposition of a naval blockade on the Arab state, but has not issued official figures for how many Iraqis, if any, have taken up the offer so far.

''The Revolutionary Command Council has decided to pardon all fugitive Iraqis outside Iraq, to order the suspension of all legal measures against the political crimes, desertion and absence without leave,'' the INA said.

''This measure is provided for in Iraqi martial law ... this decision stipulates that those who are included in the pardon should return to Iraq within two months, excluding students who are studying outside the country,'' INA said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Tuesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Dec. 10: Purchases of 443,312 shares and sales of 625,623 shares including 27,869 shares sold short.

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#90345u0687 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

DAVENPORT, Iowa (DEC. 11) UPI - Students gave mixed reactions while Quad Cities business leaders were upbeat Tuesday over the announced takeover of a small Catholic college by a Japanese institution.

The 51-year-old Marycrest College announced it was being taken over by Tokyo-based Teikyo University and will be known as Teikyo Marycrest University in 30 days. The purchase price was not disclosed.

Teikyo has acquired five schools in recent years, including Teikyo Loretto Heights University in Denver and the former Westmar College in LeMars, Iowa.

Nozomu ''Boomer'' Nagata is one of 43 international students among the 400 full-time and 2,500 part-time students at the school. Although he is a native of Japan, he said he was uncomfortable with the takeover and the expected influx of Japanese students.

''If too many Japanese students come to this college, I'll talk to them in Japanese. I won't have the chance to speak English,'' said Nagata, who is learning English as a second language in hopes of settling in the United States.

Ying Xiong, a Chinese student, said an additional 50 to 100 international students might spark an exodus of Americans.

''I'm a little worried,'' Xiong said. ''I think most American students will leave.''

Renee Carlson, a history major from Clinton, said Xiong's fears might come true.

''It's perceived negatively in the community,'' she said. ''One woman in my classes is already considering transferring.''

Carlson also voiced a fear the college would lose its liberal arts mission and become ''a technical school,'' but Marycrest officials said that will not happen.

''All faculty and staff will be retained,'' said Marycrest President Wanda Bingham. ''Teikyo Marycrest intends to remain as a religious liberal arts institution, serving students of all faiths.''

Founded in 1939 by the Congregation of the Humility of Mary order of nuns, Marycrest began as a women's college while nearby St. Ambrose College was a companion school for men. Marycrest became independent in 1954 and turned co-educational in 1969.

The college's finances have deteriorated in recent years and merger conversations with St. Ambrose were held earlier this year until Marycrest

broke them off in October, officials said.

Marycrest trustee C. Dana Waterman III said what the college prefers to call a ''merger'' with Teikyo is the ''best alternative.''

In making the announcement of the takeover on Monday, the college provided statements endorsing the move from several large Quad Cities companies and organizations, including Moline-based Deere & Co.

The foriegn investment in Marycrest could help establish ''important new linkages with Europe and Asia that can be crucial to attracting investments, industries and trade from those nations,'' said John Gardner of the Quad City Development Group.

The merger offers several advantages for the community, including ''a distinctly different educational opportunity to residents of the Quad Cities, one that is not locally available,'' said Harry Hoyt Jr., co- chairman of Quad Cities Vision for the Future, a group developing a strategy to improve the area.

Waterman said the school's 27-member board will be ''reconstituted,'' with an expectation Teikyo will assume control of the school's governing body.

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TROY, MICH. (DEC. 11) UPI - Police are trying to determine whether LSD or some other drug was placed in the coffee of a high school English teacher who has long been the target of student pranks.

Bob Heffernan began convulsing and hallucinating after drinking from a coffee mug on his desk during a class at Troy Athens High School in suburban Detroit last Friday.

The 46-year-old teacher, who said he never has taken drugs, throught he was having a fatal heart attack.

''I was hearing voices and seeing things far away and then close up,'' he said. ''Everything was distorted.''

Heffernan said he gazed at pictures of his four children and said goodbye.

With help from another teacher, Heffernan made his way to a hospital, where he was treated and released that evening.

Police Lt. Curtis Reynolds said tests are being conducted on the coffee from Heffernan's mug.

Glenn Rexer, president of the Troy Education Association, said the district has interviewed students in Heffernan's third-hour class.

''The principal is working with the police very closely in interviewing students. They have to. it's a life-and-death kind of thing,'' Rexer said.

Heffernan, who has taught English for 20 years, was described by colleagues as a sensitive, soft-spoken man who often is taunted by students.

''He is literally a persecuted man,'' said one teacher, who called some of the pranks played on Heffernan ''really cruel.''

She said students regularly steal tests and graded homework from Heffernan's desk.

The teacher said several students ambushed Heffernan in a hallway in 1976 and cut off one side of an elaborate handlebar mustache he had grown for the nation's bicentennial.

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#90345u0696 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 11) UPI - Alexander Solzhenitsyn, the great Russian writer living in exile, has been awarded the 1990 state prize by the Russian republic for his history of the Soviet prison camp system, ''The Gulag Archipelago.''

The daily Sovetskaya Rossia newspaper, voice of the Russian republic, announced the prize Tuesday in the latest enticement to get Solzhenitsyn to return from exile in the United States and live in Russia. Solzhenitsyn lives in Cavendish, Vt.

Sergei Zalygin, editor of the prestigious Novy Mir monthly that has been publishing ''The Gulag Archipelago,'' said: ''With all my heart, I congratulate the great writer on receiving this prize.''

Solzhenitsyn, who was exiled in 1974 by Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev for refusing to compromise with authorities, has said he will return to his homeland only when all his works are published there.

Vadim Borisov, who acts as Solzhenitsyn's literary agent in the Soviet Union, has said that a seven-volume collection of Solzhenitsyn's works will be published as a supplement by the Novy Mir monthly.

Solzhenitsyn had his citizenship restored this year by a decree of Mikhail Gorbachev, but the Nobel Prize-winning writer said that treason charges made against him in 1974 must be dropped before he considers returning to his homeland.

''The Gulag Archipelago,'' which chronicles the history of the Soviet labor camp system, was anathema under Brezhnev because it blamed state founder Vladimir Lenin for laying the basis for the gulag.

Now that Lenin himself has come to be criticized under the glasnost of Gorbachev, Solzhenitsyn's works have been accepted, and the writer has a huge following among both Russian nationalists and Soviet liberals.

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OAKLAND, Calif. (DEC. 11) UPI - Dave Henderson, a mainstay on the Oakland Athletics ''threepeat'' American League champions, agreed to terms Tuesday on a three-year contract.

Terms were not announced, but the pact was rumored to be worth in excess of $1 million a season.

Henderson, who was granted ''new look'' free agent status last week as part of the collusion settlement, has been the starting centerfield for the Athletics since joining the team as a free agent in 1988.

He hit .271 with 20 homers and 63 RBIs last year, but missed 27 games late in the year due to knee surgery. Henderson's loss prompted Sandy Alderson, the A's vice president of baseball operations, to trade for Harold Baines and National League batting champion Willie McGee.

Oakland remained committed to Henderson after the season and allowed McGee to be signed away by the neighboring San Francisco Giants.

''David has been an important contributor to our success the past three years and we are happy to have him back,'' Alderson said.

Henderson is a crowd favorite in Oakland where his ''Hendu's Bad Boys Club'' has become a regular fixture in the centerfield bleachers at the A's home games.

Known for his playoff heroics, Henderson is a lifetime .298 hitter in the postseason with seven homers and 20 RBIs. He is best remembered for his ninth inning, game-tying homer in Game 5 of the 1986 ALCS that allowed the Boston Red Sox to remain alive and eventaully go on to the World Series.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Miami quarterback Dan Marino and defensive end Bruce Smith of Buffalo were named AFC players of the week Tuesday.

Marino, who has thrown for more than 30,000 yards and 200 touchdowns in eight seasons, led the Dolphins to a 23-20 overtime win over Philadelphia that ensured Miami its first playoff berth since 1985.

Miami trailed 20-10 with less than six minutes left when Marino hit Mark Duper from 6 yards out to cut the margin to 3 points. He then completed a 12-yarder to Duper that set up the tying field goal, sending the game into overtime. Marino was good on two double-figure passes in the extra period to set up the winning field goal.

It is the eighth time Marino has won player of the week honors since the NFL began offering the recognition in 1985.

Smith, the blue-chipper in the 1985 draft, had four sacks and a deflected pass as the Bills clinched their third straight playoff berth.

It was the seventh time in 14 weeks of play so far that Smith had multiple sacks, putting him in the lead among NFL pass rushers with 19. The record of 22 sacks in a season is held by Mark Gastineau, set in 1984.

Smith also was named AFC Defensive Player of the Week last week after he recorded eight tackles and two sacks against Philadelphia.

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#90345u0718 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

PONTIAC, Mich. (DEC. 11) UPI - A county prosecutor said Tuesday there is precedent for filing a first-degree murder charge against retired pathologist Dr. Jack Kevorkian, who is accused of helping an Oregon woman commit suicide.

''There is clear legal precedent to charge Kevorkian'' in the June 4 death of Janet Adkins, 54, of Portland, Oakland County Prosecutor Richard Thompson said in an interview.

Adkins, who suffered from Alzheimer's disease, used a so-called ''suicide machine invented by Kevorkian to give herself fatal doses of poison. Kevorkian said he hooked Adkins up to the intravenous device, but Adkins pushed the button that released the poison into her blood stream.

Kevorkian faces a preliminary hearing Wednesday in District Court before Judge Gerald McNally on the murder charge.

Thompson said the charge against Kevorkian is based on the ''same precedent and statute'' used by the Wayne County Prosecutor in a similar case. Prosecutor John O'Hair filed a murder charge against a man who helped his cancer-stricken and elderly wife commit suicide in a motel near Detroit Metropolitan Airport in late summer.

''Assisting in suicide is against the law. There is absolutely no doubt there is legal precedent,'' Thompson said.

Thompson also said Kevorkian's attorney, Geoffrey Fieger, misinterpreted a prosecution memo that Fieger used to justify Kevorkian's use of the machine.

''He (Fieger) didn't realize we had a copy of that Aug. 28, 1987 memo,'' Thompson said, ''and the memo said the opposite ... assisting someone to commit suicide is a crime.

''Fieger was trying to deceive the public and it (the case) should be tried in court and not the press,'' Thompson said. He shouldn't be allowed to make a circus out of this case, Thompson added.

On Monday, Fieger filed a two-part motion seeking to dismiss charges against Kevorkian.

Fieger said the actions of Kevorkian in helping Adkins, who suffered from Alzheimer's disease, take her own life in the back of a van in Oakland County were not a crime under Michigan law. He also accused Thompson of misconduct which has deprived Kevorkian of his right to a fair trial.

''The dispute is over a legal issue, and not misconduct,'' Thompson said in response. ''We've enforced the law and the courts will utlimately determine if the law should be different.

If any misconduct was done, it was by Fieger by doctoring a memo that claims it says something it does not, Thompson said.

''He's been caught with a smoking gun.''

The case sparked a national debate over medical ethics and the right to die.

Thompson filed a civil action to block Kevorkian from using his machine again and last week announced criminal charges. The Michigan Court of Appeals has sidetracked the civil case while criminal prosecution is pending.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Dec. 11:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberden cy	1pm	42	05
Amstrdm cy	1pm	41	05
Ankara c	3pm	45	07

Athens pc	2pm	64	18
Aucklnd pc	12m	67	19
Beijing c	8pm	24	-04
Beirut m	2pm	mm	mm
Berlin s	1pm	33	00
Bonn cy	1pm	34	01
Brussels dr	1pm	39	04
Cairo pc	2pm	73	22
Casblnc cy	12n	56	13
Copnhgn cy	1pm	36	02
Dakar c	12n	77	25
Dublin cy	1pm	43	06
Geneva c	1pm	37	02
Helsinki s	2pm	30	00
Hong Kng c	8pm	71	22
Jeruslm cy	2pm	67	19
Karachi c	5pm	80	27
Lisbon pc	1pm	55	12
London cy	1pm	44	06
Madrid pc	1pm	49	09
Malta c	1pm	59	15
Manila c	8pm	82	28
Moscow cy	3pm	29	-01
Nairobi pc	3pm	69	21
Nassau c	7am	66	19
New Delh c	6pm	67	19
Nice r	1pm	46	08
Oslo pc	1pm	27	-02
Paris cy	1pm	38	03
Pretoria cy	2pm	79	26
Riyadh m	3pm	77	25
Rome r	1pm	46	08
Seoul c	9pm	33	00
Sofia pc	2pm	48	08
Stckhlm cy	1pm	36	02
Sydney c	10pm	66	19
Taipei dr	8pm	62	16
Tokyo cy	9pm	56	13
Tunis c	1pm	57	14
Vienna cy	1pm	42	05
Warsaw c	1pm	44	07

Latin America

Buenos Airs c	9am	66	18
Caracas cy	8am	60	15
Havana c	7am	58	14
Lima c	7am	mm	mm
Mexic Cty hz	6am	mm	mm

Rio de Jnr cy	9am	85	29
Santiago cy	8am	58	14

Canada

Calgary cy	29	-01
Edmonton cy	29	-01
Montreal m	mm	mm
Ottawa m	mm	mm
Regina s	29	-01
Toronto cy	42	05
Vancouver pc	45	07
Winnipeg cy	26	-03

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cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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COLUMBUS, Ohio (DEC. 11) UPI - A hot-air balloon drifted into a television tower and crashed in a grove of trees near the downtown area Tuesday, killing all four people aboard, police said.

The balloon, owned by the Bogey Inn restaruant and tavern, took off from an open field in the south side of the city, drifted across Columbus and hit the 1,000-foot WBNS-TV tower.

John Remmy, a reporter for WTVN radio, was driving to work when he saw the balloon hit the tower.

''It was one those nightmares you never expect to see,'' said Remmy. ''I saw the green and white hot air balloon with Bogey Inn written on the side of it. It was too close to the tower and the side the balloon hit the side of the tower and dropped like a rock, at least 800 to 900 feet to the ground.''

Charlotte Bryant, office manager for the Bogey Inn, said she did not know who was in the balloon.

''It was our balloon but I have no other details,'' she said.

Dottie Crabtree, a secretary at a school near the launching area, said she saw the balloon being filled but did not see it take off.

''There's a big field near our school where those balloons take off,'' she said. ''When I came to work they almost had it filled.''

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#90345u0728 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - Western hostages allowed to leave Iraq continued to gather in Baghdad today for a flight home. In Washington, Israeli Premier Yitzhak Shamir is scheduled to meet President Bush today to discuss the Gulf crisis. Cairo Radio said Shamir will make it clear that the Jewish state will NOT tolerate any appeasement of Iraq at Israel's expense.

Iraq's ruling Revolutionary Command Council today issued a pardon for all Iraqi dissidents and army deserters. Iraq's official news agency said the pardon covered those accused of political crimes and those who deserted their posts or went absent without leave since Iraq invaded Kuwait four months ago. One Cairo-based Western diplomat said a number of Iraqi soldiers defected to countries neighboring Iraq.

The Washington Post says that Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze has rejected suggestions by Secretary of State Baker that the Soviets place a small, symbolic military force in the Persian Gulf. The two men held the first of five planned meetings yesterday. They will fly to Washington tonight for a meeting with President Bush tomorrow.

A judge in Dallas has ordered the deadlocked jury in the federal fraud trial of former Vernon Savings and Loan owner Donald Dixon to continue working on a verdict. U-S District Judge Joe Fish reportedly issued the order yesterday after receiving a note from the jury saying the panel was unable to reach a verdict after four days of deliberation.

Security sources in Lebanon say Israeli gunship helicopters today blasted Moslem fundamentalist positions in the Syrian-policed Bekaa Valley in eastern Lebanon, wounding at least two fighters. The Israeli air strike was the 19th into Lebanon this year, and the third against Lebanese and Palestinian positions this month.

A poll showed today that European Community citizens are overwhelmingly in favor of a common defense policy and a central European bank. By lesser margins, the poll published by the E-C executive Commission, showed that E-C citizens favor a common currency and an E-C role in foreign policy toward countries outside the Community.

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#90345u0732 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (DEC. 11) UPI - Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. has launched production of Bridgestone-brand passenger car tires at the Firestone's manufacturing facility, the Japanese parent company said Tuesday.

Tokyo-based Bridgestone Corp. said production began Monday at the facility in Wilson, N.C., which was opened by Firestone in 1974.

Bridgestone Corp. acquired the Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. in 1988 and merged it with its U.S. subsidiary Bridgestone (U.S.A.) Inc. to form Bridgestone/Firestone, Inc., headquartered in Akron, Ohio.

The new company began an expansion and modernization project at Wilson in early 1989, to raise the plant's capacity by about 35 percent, primarily for production of high performance tires, Bridgestone said. The project is to be completed in early 1991.

The company has 16 production facilities in North America which manufacture Bridgestone, Firestone, other brand tires, as well as a wide range of industrial and synthetic rubber goods for sale in North America.

Bridgestone said last month its has agreed with Sears, Roebuck and Co. to sell a new line of tires in the United States through more than 800 auto sales outlets of the U.S. distributor.

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#90345u0737 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 11) UPI - A U-S-chartered Boeing 707 flew landed in Baghdad today with NO Americans on board on the flight from Kuwait. But U-S officials say they are NOT concerned... that all the American hostages who wanted to get out of Iraq and Kuwait probably already are free. But just in case, another U-S charter flight is planned for Thursday... likely to be the last one.

More than 18-hundred clergy of the United Church of Christ- including the denomination's top officers- signed a full-page ad today in the Washington Post, urging President Bush to ''not go to war with Iraq.'' The unusual ad is signed by nearly one-fifth of the denomination's 10- thousand active ministers. But a new A-B-C News poll suggests that the general public is more supportive of the Bush Gulf policy than the religious leaders. The survey showed that 58 percent of the adults questioned last weekend indicated that they would support a war with Iraq if it does NOT withdraw from Kuwait.

The legislature in the huge Russian republic agreed to help write the final draft of a new compact tying the Soviet republics together in a revitalized

federation. Republic leader Boris Yeltsin called on the deputies to approve the involvement in the final draft. Yeltsin says he supports a union based on equality and the free will of each republic.

Pope John Paul today congratulated Lech Walesa on his election as president of Poland and praised the Solidarity leader as a man ''who had faith, hoping against all hope.'' The pontiff sent a message to Walesa, giving his blessings to the president-elect, his wife and family. The pope himself helped Solidarity to its ultimate triumph in Poland with support through the bleak years that it was banned by the communist government.

Three Irish men were convicted today of conspiring to buy a U-S ''Stinger'' missile and other weapons to use against British troops in Northern Ireland. The jury in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, deliberated for five hours before returning its verdict. The three defendants face up to 15 years in prison each. Prosecutors charged that all three were members of the Irish Republican Army and planned to use the weapons against British forces.

An eight-year-old boy saved up his earnings from his lemonade stand at a Washington intersection and contributed them to the fund the Pentagon established to pay for Operation Desert Shield. The Pentagon says David sent in 20 dollars in one-dollar bills for the Defense Co- operation Account. A spokesman says about 30 private citizens have contributed about 62-hundred-50 dollars to the account. In a note, David told the Pentagon to use his money to buy water for troops in the Saudi desert and on ships in the Persian Gulf.

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#90345u0752 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (DEC. 11) UPI - Christian Brando, son of actor Marlon Brando, was ordered Tuesday to stand trial next month on a first-degree murder charge in the shooting death of his half-sister's Tahitian lover.

Superior Court Judge Robert Thomas set the trial date during a hearing that had been postponed from last week, because of a miscommunication among lawyers that resulted in Christian's absence from the courtroom.

Christian, 32, appeared in court Tuesday, along with his half-brother Miko, to be ordered to appear for trial Jan. 14.

Also Tuesday, prosecutors said they are awaiting the release of a psychiatric report, expected this week, that will conclude whether Christian's half-sister Cheyenne, 20, is competent to testify in the trial.

Both sides agree Cheyenne's testimony could determine the outcome of the trial. She told police that Christian had spoken several times of killing her lover, Dag Drollet, whom Cheyenne accused of physically abusing her, before the May 16 shooting.

It is unclear whether prosecutors will be able to subpoena Cheyenne, who is in Tahiti recovering from at least two suicide attempts. Cheyenne has been ordered by Tahitian authorities to stay on the South Pacific island while they investigate her role in the shooting. Drollet's father, an influential political figure, had filed a complaint sparking the probe.

Cheyenne's U.S. lawyers said last week that a Tahitian judge has declared her incompetent, and appointed her mother as guardian over her and her baby, who was born after Drollet's death.

But Deputy District Attorney William Clark, one of the prosecutors in the case said Tuesday he believes Cheyenne was only declared incapacitated and her competence to stand trial has not yet been determined.

Christian insists he is innocent of the murder charge, alleging a . 45-caliber pistol went off accidentally during a struggle with Drollet, while they were watching television in Marlon Brando's 12-room mansion in the Hollywood Hills.

Prosecutors do not believe Christian's story, saying Drollet's body was found with a cigarette lighter in one hand and a television remote- control device in the other.

Marlon Brando, the legendary star of the ''Godfather'' movies, was not in court Tuesday.

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#90345u0761 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

KEY WEST, Fla. (DEC. 11) UPI - The Navy and Coast Guard searched the Gulf of Mexico Tuesday for two missing pilots whose aircraft collided while on training missions from the carrier USS Lexington.

The in-flight collision of the two TA-4 Skyhawks occurred at 4 p.m. Monday about 85 miles northwest of Key West, said Lt. Cmdr. Ray Kempisty, spokesman for Naval Education and Training in Pensacola, where the carrier is based.

The Navy identified the pilots as Cmdr. Philip F. Palmatier Jr., commanding officer of training squadron VT-25 from Chase Field Naval Air Station in Beeville, Texas, and Ensign Troy A. Moore, a student pilot assigned to training squadron VT-24, also from Chase Field.

Their ages and hometown were unavailable. Palmatier was the flight instructor, Navy spokesman Gregory Stallworth said.

One of the planes was found after the crash but the other was missing, Kempisty said. The two pilots, the only occupants of the aircraft, were on ''routine'' training missions.

It was not known whether the pilots ejected before the planes hit the water, Kempisty said.

Numerous Navy training aircraft were in the air at the time of the collision, Kempisty said. The National Weather Service reported that the weather was clear except for a few low-lying clouds.

TA-4s are twin-seat aircraft used as advanced jet trainers for the Navy. The Lexington is the Navy's only training carrier and plays host to the McDonnell Douglas-built TA-4s on Gulf training missions. During the Vietnam War, the combat version of the Skyhawk was used on missions off Navy carriers.

Navy aviators typically are given six months training, or about 100 hours of flight time, on the TA-4, culminating in two weeks of aircraft take-off and landing runs.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - An almost empty U.S.-chartered Boeing 707 left Baghdad Tuesday, evidence that the evacuation of all American hostages in Kuwait is probably complete, the State Department said.

But because of the remote possibility that some Americans may still be in hiding or had not had access to the Voice of America short-wave announcements about the freedom flights, another charter will be sent to Kuwait and Baghdad on Thursday.

That final flight may carry the last of the American diplomats in the beleagured American Embassy in Kuwait, Ambassador Nathaniel Howell and four others, after which the embassy compound will be effectively closed down.

On Monday, a Boeing 747 with 156 Americans returned to Andrews Air Force Base in suburban Washington after some four months as hostages.

As the State Department and White House went through the final accounting, it appeared that all the Americans who wanted to leave or could leave Kuwait and Iraq will be out on the final flight.

Left behind are somewhere around 500 people entitled to American passports, many of them foreign-born children in families where one of the spouses is an American citizen.

In some cases, according to the State Department, parents decided that they belonged in Iraq or Kuwait and chose to stay.

In others, Kuwaiti or Iraqi-born husbands with dual nationality could not get

exit visas from the Iraqi government and their families chose to remain behind with them.

As the 707 flight left Kuwait for Baghdad, no Americans were aboard, but there were three unidentified Europeans who served as ''wardens,'' keeping the American citizens in Kuwait informed about events, and keeping tabs on them.

The plane carried a total of 15 passengers as it left Baghdad, according to the State Department: eight U.S. citizens, three European ''wardens,'' and four other foreign nationals.

Four other Americans were expected to leave aboard a British chartered flight Tuesday from Kuwait.

According to State Department figures, 2,520 American citizens were evacuated on U.S. chartered flights. Another 200 Americans escaped from Iraq and another 600 made their way into Saudi Arabia across the Kuwaiti desert.

In all the confusion, the State Department was given the names of about 30 people by friends or realtives, but it now appears those 30 people had never been hostages.

Just in case, the Voice of America is broadcasting the names of the 30, asking them to show up at Kuwait's airport Thursday for the final flight out.

Spokesman Richard Boucher said, ''We want to be sure we're going through every means possible to ensure that all American citizens in Kuwait are accounted for.''

He said, ''Maintaining accurate accounting under these circumstances has been impossible. However, we believe that all Americans who have desired contact with an American official have found ways to get in touch.''

The exact cost of the 13 chartered flights has not been totaled, but the cost for a 747 to Kuwait and back to the United States is around $200,000. A Boeing 707 would be less.

With the apparent end of the hostage crisis, the focus of U.S. government efforts moved toward maintaining the pressure on the Iraqi government through economic and potential military measures.

The State Department said that the U.S. acting ambassador in Baghdad, Jopseph Wilson, met Tuesday with deputy Foreign Minister Nizar Hamdoub, but there still is no agreement on a date for a trip to Baghdad by Secretary of State James Baker.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 11) UPI - Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze is emerging as a contender to replace Nikolai Ryzhkov as premier of the Soviet Union, the official Tass news agency said Tuesday.

Tass indicated that a likely replacement for Shevardnadze should he leave the vital Foreign Ministry slot would be Yevgeny Primakov. Primakov recently undertook two special missions, to Iraq and the Middle East, for President Mikhail Gorbachev.

The Soviet press has swirled with reports that Ryzhkov, blamed for a series of failed economic plans, will soon resign the post he has held for five years.

Ryzhkov, whose position was further undermined by Gorbachev's new government reorganization, has said that only the Congress of People's Deputies, which opens Monday, can mandate his removal.

But Tass said, ''Ryzhkov seem certain to resign,'' and aspirants for his job have already been mentioned in what would be a shakeup at the top.

Tass said Arkady Volsky, a no-nonsense administrator who ran the troubled Nagorno-Karabakh enclave of Azerbaijan for Gorbachev, has strong supporters among the deputies to the upcoming Congress.

''He has the reputation of a tough but very competent person and is unlikely to draw fire from either the right or left,'' Tass said.

''Volsky is popular among industrial managers and has considerable experience in dealing with foreign businessmen,'' it said.

Vadim Bakatin, who was fired this month as interior minister, may also vie for Ryzhkov's job as head of government. Tass said he is very popular with the public and among lawmakers.

''Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze is another likely contender,'' Tass said, adding that his being a Georgian and not an ethnic Russian may even help him.

''He is not an ethnic Russian and this is a plus, since he will not be associated with the old command system,'' Tass said.

Engaging in rare analysis, Tass said that Gorbachev might also be seeking to divert conservative criticism from Shevardnadze.

''The right blames Shevardnadze for undermining the Soviet position in the international arena, Tass said.

But in past domestic forums, Shevardnadze has given as good as he got and

generally turned criticism to cheers after finishing speaking. As such, he would not seem to need to hide behind Gorbachev's shield.

More likely is that Shevardnadze, as the former Communist boss of Georgia, could help in bringing to fruition a new unity treaty being proposed that wouldgive greater economic and political rights to the republics.

As the leader in nationalist Georgia before Gorbachev made him foreign minister, Shevardnadze is acquainted with the volatile character of nationalism. That understanding is not one of the strong points of the ethnic Russian Gorbachev.

Tass did not say directly who might replace Shevardnadze, but explained ''Presidential Council Member Yevgeny Primakov's increased involvement in foreign policy is another sign. A rumor in Moscow says that he could become the next foreign minister.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $373.50, silver base of $4.07 and platinum price of $422.40:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$388.90	388.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	199.60	199.60
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	102.50	102.50
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.40	42.40
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	388.90	388.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	199.60	199.60
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	103.00	103.00
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.40	42.40
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	395.20	395.20
China Panda .50 troy oz.	203.60	203.60
China Panda .25 troy oz.	105.60	105.60
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	45.60	45.60
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.20	27.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	389.10	389.10
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	198.80	199.80
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	100.50	100.50
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.30	43.30
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	387.50	387.90
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	200.70	200.90
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	103.00	103.10
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	43.90	43.90
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	387.30	387.80
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	199.20	199.40

Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	85.50	85.60
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.30	44.30
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.60	23.70
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.47	$5.50
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,130	$3,150
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,325	$1,325
Platinum		
Australian Koala	438.00	435.00
Isle of Man Noble	434.00	432.00
Canada Maple Leaf	446.00	444.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 11) UPI - A woman who took large doses of ginseng while pregnant gave birth to unusually hairy baby, raising further concerns about the safety of the widely available root extract, doctors reported Wednesday.

About nine months before she became pregnant, the 30-year-old Canadian woman started taking twice the daily recommended amount of pure Siberian ginseng tablets to combat irritability and mood swings.

The woman, who was a nurse, continued her self-imposed ginseng regimen during her pregnancy - and to the suprise of her doctors at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children gave birth to a baby boy with hair over his entire forehead and thick black hair over his genitals.

After breast feeding the baby for about two weeks, the mother stopped taking ginseng and the infant's excessive hair started falling out. By the time the baby was seven weeks old, his hair was the scant thickness typical of many babies.

Ginseng, derived from the forked, armoatic roots of several perennial herbs, has long been used as a tonic and restorative in Chinese medicine. An estimated 5 million people in North America regularily use ginseng, which is sold over-the-counter at health stores.

In a letter published in the Journal of the American Medical Association, Dr.

Gideon Koren and his colleagues said they cannot prove that the mother's ginseng use caused her baby's hairy woes. However, they noted the woman experienced increase hair growth on her head, face and genital area while taking the ginseng, and animal tests show ginseng can boost levels of male hormones that spur hair growth.

In any event, the doctors said: ''This case, like reports of serious adverse effects in adults using high doses of ginseng, suggests the need for regulatory control.''

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#90345u0835 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - American officials say all the Americans who want to leave Iraq and Kuwait probably are out... but, just in case, another U-S-chartered flight will leave Baghdad on Thursday. White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater says the flight likely will be the last. One charter flight arrived in Baghdad from Kuwait today with NO Americans on board, and officials said they were NOT concerned... that many Americans left Kuwait ealier on British flights.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze says there is NO possibility that Soviet troops will be sent into the Persian Gulf. Shevardnadze told a news conference in Houston that the possibility of Soviet troops being moved into the region is- his word- ''non-existent.'' Shevardnadze appeared with Secretary of State Baker, and both said they have agreed on some technical aspects of the strategic arms reduction talks. They say the discussions will continue tonight and tomorrow.

The National Association of Purchasing Management says its members are- quoting now- ''extremely pessimistic'' about the economy. They say a semi-annual survey of purchasing managers shows that they believe a recession will hit in the United States in the first half of 1991, with a recovery NOT coming until the last six months of the year.

Officials report NO trouble today with the Iraqi and Kuwaiti delegations sitting next to each other at a semi-annual meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries in Vienna. The Iranian oil minister called on his counterparts to immediately reduce production, saying the OPEC cartel should cut back 400-thousand barrels a day. But the cartel's secretary-general acknowledged that the 13-nation body canNOT set quotas as this point in time.

The Salvadoran armed forces report a second day of fighting in rural areas of El Salvador. They say rebel forces damaged a helicopter in the latest action. The two days of battles left 44 dead and 50 wounded. The Salvadoran military said the dead included 38 rebels and six government troops.

President Bush re-appointed Robert Clarke as comptroller of the currency

today... apparently over the objections of chief of staff John Sununu. The White House announced the decision in a one- sentence statement. A recent report quoted administration officials as saying that Sununu was complaining that Clarke's over-sight of banks was too tough. Sununu reportedly argued that Clarke's toughness was causing a nation-wide credit crunch.

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MUNICH (DEC. 11) UPI - Yugoslav Goran Ivanisevic struggled through two tiebreakers Tuesday to defeat American Kevin Curren, 7-6 (7-3), 7-6 (9- 7), in the opening match of the $6 million Grand Slam Cup.

''I knew it would be a tough match,'' said Ivanisevic, who sealed the match with an ace on his seventh match point after a tense 1 hour 50 minute battle.

The second-set tiebreak was the only highlight in a poor quality encounter, in which Ivanisevic took the first set in 44 minutes.

Both players held serve throughout the set, but Curren missed two set points in the ninth game on Ivanisevic's serve.

In the second set, Curren managed an early break to lead 2-1, taking advantage of Ivanisevic's lack of concentration following several controversial line calls.

But the Yugoslav, ranked ninth in the world, recovered, breaking Curren's serve five games later to force a second tiebreak.

Curren had the consolation of taking home $100,000 despite his first round loss.

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#90345u0846 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, Belgium (DEC. 11) UPI - On the eve of two crucial conferences, a poll showed Tuesday that European Community citizens are overwhelmingly in favor of a central European bank and a common defense policy.

By lesser but still impressive margins, EC citizens favor a common currency and an EC role in foreign policy toward countries outside the Community, according to the autumn Eurobarometer poll published by the EC Executive Commission.

The poll also showed overwhelming support for strengthening the powers of the 518-member European Parliament, which now has only a toothless advisory role within the EC.

On Friday, EC leaders begin a two-day summit in Rome, culminating on Saturday with the launch of twin intergovernmental conferences - on economic and monetary union and on political union.

The EMU conference will discuss creation of a central bank and a common currency, while the conference on political union will deal with forging an EC security role and strengthening EC institutions.

Both conferences, aimed at amending the EC's founding charter, the 1957 Treaty of Rome, were expected to conclude late next year.

By a margin of 56 percent to 18 percent, among those expressing an opinion, EC citizens favored a ''common European Central Bank with the heads of national central banks on its board of directors.''

Asked if they favored a single EC currency to replace national currencies within five or six years, 55 percent of respondents were in favor and 23 percent were opposed.

EC citizens favored by 66-15 percent a ''common EC policy in matters of security and defense,'' while the margin was 51-26 percent in favor of the EC, ''as a political union, being responsible for foreign policy toward countries outside the EC.''

A margin of 64-14 percent wants the European Parliament to have the right to decide on EC legislation along with the Council of Ministers.

A margin of 56-18 percent wants the Parliament to have the right to approve nominations to the EC Commission.

Currently, the European Parliament has only limited power to amend certain EC legislation, while decision-making rests with the Council of Ministers appointed by national governments.

The 17 members of the EC Commission are appointed by national governments, with the Parliament having no say.

Critics of the current EC structure say the Parliament's lack of power creates a ''democratic deficit.'' German Chancellor Helmut Kohl has been outspoken in favor of giving the Parliament more clout.

Only poll respondents in Britain (38 percent to 43 percent) and Denmark (35 percent to 50 percent) oppose a common currency, but both countries endorse the need for a European Central Bank.

Denmark also opposes (40 percent to 45 percent) giving the EC responsibility for foreign policy outside the Community.

Former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was stridently opposed to a single currency and other forms of EC integration, which led to her downfall last month as Conservative Party leader.

The new British prime minister, John Major, also opposes a single currency, but his tone toward European integration is far more conciliatory.

Major has proposed a parallel 13th EC currency that would compete alongside national currencies, acknowledging it may eventually become the sole currency.

The poll said public support for the EC has reached an all-time high, with 69 percent saying their country's membership is ''a good thing'' and 7 percent saying it is ''a bad thing.''

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(DEC. 11) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Flight Intl (2nd Q 10-31	
$13,118,317	$15,829,816
d-$1,988,005	$767,837 (.23)
d-Deficit	
Jones Plumbing Systems (3rd Q 9-30)	
$10,948,002	$10,291,737
$121,363 (.02)	$548,198 (.10)
Novell Inc (4th Q 10-27)	
$140,472,000	$111,044,000
$32,572,000 (.46)	$14,275,000 (.21)
Recognition Equipmt (4th Q 10-31)	
$51,789,000	$67,880,000
d-$14,380,000	d-$34,449,000
d-Deficit.	
Shirt Shed Inc (1st Q 10-31)	
$19,649,000	$14,132,000
$624,000 (.09)	$610,000 (.10)
Ultra Pac Inc (3rd Q 10-31)	
$3,360,846	$1,548,392
$242,933 (.09)	$43,931 (.02)
Vari-Care Inc (4th Q 9-30)	

$13,102,000 $12,236,000
a-$628,000 (.12) $110,000 (.03)
a-Includes a pre-tax gain of $568,000 from the sale of a nursing home.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 69.50-71.25 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 115.625-120.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 37.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $185.00-$195.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $418.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $423.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $104.00-$108.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 276.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Schevardnadze reportedly has dismissed U-S suggestions that Moscow send a small military force to the Persian Gulf, saying that Soviet public opinion would be against such a move. The published report indicates that the suggestion came from Secretary of State Baker when he met with Schevardnadze in Houston yesterday.

Iraq has tactfully confirmed reports that many of its citizens, and possibly some of its soldiers, want nothing to do with the country. The Revolutionary Command Council has issued a pardon for all dissidents and army deserters, provided they return to Iraq within two months. There have been reports of Iraqi soldiers deserting their posts and fleeing to neighboring countries.

Secretary of State Baker and the Soviet foreign minister are wrapping up their talks in Houston one day earlier than planned. They will fly to Washington, D-C, tonight for a meeting with President Bush at the White House tomorrow.

Industrialist Armand Hammer is dead at the age of 92. The man who built Occidental Petroleum into an industrial giant died last night in Los Angeles following a brief illness. His death came one day before he was to celebrate his bar mitzvah, the Jewish ceremony that young men take part in during their early teens. Family members say the ceremony, planned as a fund-raiser, will be held as scheduled but it will become a tribute to Hammer instead.

Scientists will spend years going over all of the material collected in the nine-day mission of the shuttle Columbia. The orbiter made a perfect, dead-stick landing at Edwards Air Force Base in California early today, ending a 141-orbit, three-point-seven- Million-mile journey around earth. The mission to study X-ray and ultra- violet light blocked by the atmosphere was called a success despite problems with the computers that were to aim the mission telescopes.

The jurors in the Central Park rape and beating trial are resuming deliberations for a 12th day this morning. The jurors broke late yesterday after a long day that apparently was spent going over the events that surrounded the confession of one of two youths charged in the so-called ''wilding'' attack that left a female jogger near death.

The Secret Service says a group of Pittsburgh prison inmates found a way to use the Persian Gulf crisis to their advantage. Investigators say inmates at the State Correctional Institution bilked a suburban Seattle, Washington, store out of 51-hundred dollars in jewelry by posing as Persian Gulf-bound soldiers... and using stolen credit card numbers to order Christmas gifts for friends and relatives.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Cheshire Fincl	Q	.25	1-25	12-21
Commerce Clearing House	Q	.35	1-30	12-28
Commercial Metals	Q	.13	1-24	1-4
Community Bnks Pa	Q	.17 1/2	1-2	12-14
Ingles Markets cl-A	Q	.05 1/2	12-31	12-21
Keithley Instrmnts	Q	.046	12-31	12-21
Oshkosh Truck cl B	Q	.12 1/2	2-15	1-15

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-annual

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - The U.S. current account deficit increased to $25.6 billion in the third quarter from $22.5 billion in the previous quarter, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

The government said the increase was more than accounted for by an increase in the merchandise trade deficit, which rose to $29.8 billion in the third quarter from $23.1 billion in the second quarter. The increase in the merchandise trade deficit was the first since the third quarter of last year.

Imports increased to $125.9 billion from $119.9 billion largely due to gains in petroleum imports, which accounted for more than 50 percent of the increase. Most of the increase in petroleum imports reflected higher oil prices, the government said. Lower volumes of agricultural exports pushed overall export values down to $96.2 billion from $96.8 billion.

The balance of investment income shifted to a surplus of $2.5 billion during the quarter from a $1 billion deficit in the second quarter. Receipts from U.S. assets abroad increased to $33.1 billion from $30.7 billion. Income from foreign assets in the United States decreased to $30.6 billioon from $31.7 billion.

Foreign purchases of U.S. Treasury securities slowed to $500 million in the third quarter from $3.6 billion in the second quarter. Foreign transactions in other forms of U.S. securities shifted to sales of $1.5 billion from purchases of $2.9 billion.

"Foreign investors were net sellers of U.S. stocks for the fourth consecutive quarter as continued uncertainty about the U.S. economic outlook and lower U.S. stock prices fueled sales," the Commerce Department said.

Foreign direct investment in the United States increased to $7.6 billion in the quarter from $7.2 billion. Purchases of foreign securities by U.S. investors decreased to $900 million from a record $11.2 billion in the second quarter. The government attributed the decrease to "uncertainty in financial markets and sharply lower foreign stock prices."

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WILLOW SPRINGS, Ill. (DEC. 11) UPI - Gravediggers using a backhoe Tuesday dug up a potters' field, looking for the remains of a woman who officials suspect may be Helen Vorhees Brach, the candy heiress who has been missing for almost 14 years.

Workmen began digging at Mount Glenwood Memory Gardens in Willow Springs about 6:30 a.m. Jerry Singer, a spokesman for the Department of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, said he did not know how long the digging would take because as many as 30 bodies might be buried in the grave.

Brach was 65 when she disappeared in February 1977 after she was released from the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., where she had undergone a physical and was given a clean bill of health.

Singer has said federal investigators obtained a court order to exhume the body based on new information his agency received. The new information was sealed along with the exhumation order, barring public release.

The body that investigators want to study is that of a woman found in 1978 in Wentworth Woods south of Chicago. The body's fingertips and teeth were missing preventing identification at the time.

Scientists hired by the government plan to use DNA testing to determine whether the remains are Brach's.

''The fact that they have gone to all this trouble and have made such a project of it leads me to believe that they have some very solid information '' said Cadwalader Menck, the court-appointed attorney for Brach's estate between 1977 and 1981.

Menck said when the remains originally were found, ''the medical examiner as I recall said, 'No, it wasn't Mrs. Brach.'''

Brach's brother, Charles Vorhees, has said he doubts the remains are those of his sister because the body was several inches shorter than Helen Brach, who was declared legally dead in 1984 and her estate disbursed.

The last confirmed sighting of Brach, the heiress of the Brach candy fortune, was in Minnesota. However, her chauffeur and houseman, John Matlick, told

investigators he picked her up from O'Hare International Airport and brought her to her Glenview home. He said he then took her back to O'Hare for a flight to Florida where she was to visit friends.

Investigators have said there was no evidence she took either flight.

It recently has been speculated Brach may have been killed because she was about to release details of a horse trading fraud.

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THOKOZA, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 11) UPI - Rival tribal factions agreed to work for peace in the battle-torn black township of Thokoza Tuesday after clashes killed at least 37 people and turned the streets into urban combat zones.

Xhosa supporters of the African National Congress and Zulus of the Inkatha movement met through the afternoon under police mediation and said in a joint statement at dusk they would ''appeal to their members'' to stop the black-on-black violence and encourage ''political tolerance. ''

Before the peace talks began, groups of shouting Zulus and Xhosas clashed in roads and open lots of the townships and the neighboring Phola Park squatter camp, wielding crude sharp weapons and firing AK-47 assault rifles at one another, security forces, journalists and residents.

''It's like a military operational area here, it's like the border,'' said an army corporal, referring to South Africa's past bush war in Namibia. Leading a 10-man patrol down an alley strewn with pieces of brick and mortar, he added ''this is the worst day here for weeks.''

Gangs erected burning roadblocks at intersections and angrily warned off motorists with shouts and threats.

''We will drink your blood,'' one man shouted in Zulu at approaching drivers.

Hundreds of soldiers and police poured into the area early Tuesday but were unable to quell the conflict before the peace meeting. Troops resorted to helping the streams of refugees seeking respite from the carnage in fields and along highways bordering the settlements.

More than 90 people have died in Thokoza and Phola Park since fighting flared last week, pushing the death toll in townships around Johannesburg since last Sunday to at least 120.

Police put the number of fatalities since violence flared overnight in the township and squatter camp at 37 and the injured at about 80, but they expected more deaths as patrols continued to discover bodies.

''We're going to be updating these figures, that's for sure,'' a police spokesman said.

The Zulus, who support the Inkatha movement, and Xhosa followers of the African National Congress began the peace talks in the afternoon under mediation of police Chief Operations Officer Gen. Jan Malan.

But spokeswoman Capt. Ida van Zweel said, ''There are no guarantees the violence has ended ... there is still some fighting.''

Minister of Law and Order Adriaan Vlok called on residents to ''stop this senseless feuding'' and said ''violence will not solve any problems ... it will only cause more.''

ANC Deputy President Nelson Mandela plans to go with a delegation of church, political and business leaders to the area Wednesday to examine the situation first-hand but Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi rejected an invitation from the South African Council of Churches to join him.

Some of the patrolling troops said they were initially unable to localize the fighting.

''It breaks out here, it breaks out there... there's no set piece, we're not trained for this kind of thing,'' one lieutenant said.

Thokoza was a major flashpoint during South Africa's worst outbreak of urban factional fighting, over six weeks to mid-September, when battles between predominantly Xhosa supporters of the ANC and Zulus killed up to 800 people.

President Frederik de Klerk and Mandela have met twice to discuss the conflict. Their talks Saturday followed a larger-scale meeting Nov. 27 and after both encounters they committed themselves to solving the violence through peaceful negotiations.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Ivana Trump was divorced Tuesday in New York State Supreme Court from financially troubled real estate tycoon Donald Trump following an ten-month separation marked by squabbles over her share of his shrinking estate. In filing for divorce, Mrs. Trump, 41, accused her 44-year-old husband of "verbal abuse and intimidation."

Michael Kennedy, Ivana's attorney, announced that the divorce for which she filed last month, was granted Tuesday morning. Asked for details concerning his client's divorce settlement and custody of the couple's three children, Kennedy replied, "No further comment."

Ivana filed a pre-nuptial agreement with Trump which was updated three times during their 13-year marriage. It provided her with a settlement of about $25 million in case of a divorce, including a lump sum in cash and their mansion in Greenwich, Conn.

Kennedy countered with a claim on her behalf to one-half of Trump's estate, estimated in 1989 at $1.7 billion, on the grounds that she had helped build his fortune as manager of his Atlantic City, N.J., hotel-casinos and president of the Plaza Hotel in New York.

In the past year, Trump's fortune has waned to the point where he probably owes more to creditors than the value of his assets, which have been hit by the declining real estate market, according to Wall Street sources. He recently saved his Taj Mahal casino in Atlantic City from bankruptcy by giving bondholders a say in management.

Also involved in the complexities of the Trump divorce was Donald's romance with model and would-be actress Marla Maples, 26, who was named in Ivana's original claim against Donald's fortune.

Trump admitted his "friendship" with Maples and she proclaimed her love for him, but the affair seems to have cooled in recent weeks as Trump appeared more often with other young models than he did with Maples.

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DALLAS (DEC. 11) UPI - Two years after the collapse of First RepublicBank Corp., a federal grand jury has subpoenaed sworn statements from former employees about the ill-fated merger that created Texas' largest banking company, the Dallas Times Herald reported Tuesday.

According to U.S. District Court filings, federal investigators have asked for depositions from at least 11 former midlevel officials of InterFirst Corp. and RepublicBank Corp. The inquiry apparently is in the early stages and no charges have been filed. Investigators declined to discuss the matter.

First Republic's banks were seized by federal regulators in July 1988 and sold to NCNB Corp. of Charlotte, N.C., in a $3 billion bailout, the largest bank rescue in U.S. history.

Investigators are seeking depositions taken by attorneys for investors in a class action against former RepublicBank and InterFirst officers who engineered the merger and their financial advisers, the newspaper said.

Shareholders who bought securities during the merger sued the top executives, claiming they misrepresented the financial condition of RepublicBank's loan

portfolio before the deal.

Last week, the executives, including former RepublicBank Chairman Gerald Fronterhouse, former InterFirst Chairman Robert Stewart III and H.R. "Bum" Bright, one of First Republic's largest shareholders and former owner of the Dallas Cowboys, agreed to pay $19.5 million to settle the lawsuit while denying blame.

The Sept. 19 subpoena, signed by Michael Ruggio, a U.S. Justice Department attorney and member of the Dallas Bank Fraud Task Force, ordered the depositions of 11 former midlevel executives, including James Erwin.

Erwin, past InterFirst executive, is now president of Financial Resource Management, the NCNB Texas National Bank unit under contract with federal regulators to sift through First Republic's loan portfolio.

John Ellis and Bill McMurray, former real estate appraisers for InterFirst whose statements also were subpoenaed, would not comment. Erwin and the others included in the subpoena could not be reached, the report said.

Investigators ordered that "all present and future depositions" be turned over to the FBI in Dallas. The FBI earlier this year interviewed former First Republic employees, according to people with knowledge of the investigation.

The grand jury also asked for testimony by John Mercer, a U.S. Comptroller of the Currency official responsible for overseeing First Republic, the newspaper said.

The grand jury did not seek depositions from the top executives involved in the lawsuit. Attorneys for the executives said their clients have not been contacted by investigators.

"We've had absolutely no indication the Justice Department or anyone is looking at my clients," said Robert Crotty, attorney for Stewart and former First Republic Vice Chairmen Harvey Mitchell and Ronald Steinhart, who also are named in the lawsuit. "Our guys have done nothing wrong and there's no reason for anyone to be looking." Other former First Republic officials declined comment personally or through attorneys.

U.S. District Judge Barefoot Sanders last month denied a request by the class-action plaintiffs' law firm, Susman Godfrey, to quash the subpoena. At the time of the First RepublicBank merger, officials touted the deal as a way to create a Southwestern banking giant that could withstand the depths of the real estate lending crisis.

Shortly after the transaction, First RepublicBank took a $1.7 billion provision for possible loan losses in recognition of the declining value of its real estate loan portfolio. The newly created bank posted a record $347.8

million loss in the fourth quarter of 1987.

According to the class action, RepublicBank officials failed to properly state the value of the loan portfolio to investors who purchased $200 million in stock to finance the merger.

The lawsuit still is pending against financial advisers Morgan Stanley & Co., Salomon Bros., Goldman Sachs & Co., and Ernst & Young, RepublicBank's accounting firm.

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SAN ANTONIO (DEC. 11) UPI - An 86-year-old man outran a would-be bicycle thief, sprinting about 300 yards to save his bike and nab the 11-year- old boy for police.

''He fought back,'' Jose Navarro said Monday after he had reclaimed his bicycle. ''He tried to get loose and I warded off his licks.''

Navarro, a retired test driver, said he had parked his 12-speed bicycle on a street corner so he could purchase a newspaper when the boy tried to steal the bike.

''He took the bike but the old man is very well-built and chased him down,'' Police Detective Dennis Booher said.

The boy was remanded to the Bexar County Juvenile Detention Center.

Navarro said he ''was breathing a little heavy'' but not injured.

''I believe in exercise,'' Navarro said. ''I have since I was young. I ride my bike 10 to 20 miles a day, five days a week. I go all over.''

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BRUSSELS (DEC. 11) UPI - Acting in the wake of collapsed trade talks, the European Community has placed the issue of world trade negotiations on the agenda of its summit meeting scheduled for this week in Rome, officials said Tuesday.

At the last EC summit, in Rome Oct. 27-28, Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti rejected calls by Margaret Thatcher, then the British prime minister that the trade talks, which collapsed over the issue of farm subsidies, be discussed.

Andreotti holds the rotating EC presidency until Jan. 1, when it passes to

Luxembourg.

''I think we ought to look at the situation of the Uruguay Round, after the decision of the Brussels conference,'' Andreotti said in a letter to EC Commission President Jacques Delors, which also was received in EC capitals.

The Uruguay Round of talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade adjourned in disarray last Friday in Brussels, after the EC resisted calls by the United States and other farm-exporting nations to sharply cut farm subsidies.

An Italian diplomat in Brussels said Andreotti's letter should not be interpreted as seeking a change in the EC position, only that the Italian prime minister felt the issue needed a full discussion by EC leaders. The EC is unwilling to accept the demands of the United States and other nations which want it to lower farm subsidies.

The October EC summit ended with only a vague statement on the need to successfully conclude the GATT talks, but there was no substantive discussion of the EC position.

The United States says it will resist efforts to revive the GATT talks in Geneva next month unless the EC brings new flexibility to the negotiating table.

A meeting is scheduled Friday in Brussels between U.S. Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter and EC Agriculture Commissioner Ray MacSharry.

Andreotti's three-page letter says the summit should also discuss progress of the EC's 1992 single-market program, aid to the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, efforts to combat drug trafficking, and relations with Latin America and the countries of the European Free Trade Association.

The letter also called for discussion of the Gulf crisis and the Middle East in general, as well as South Africa.

The summit begins Friday morning and ends at midday Saturday, followed by the launch Saturday afternoon of twin intergovernmental conferences, on political union and on economic and monetary union.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - The nation's purchasing managers Tuesday predicted the U.S. economy would be in recession during the first half of 1991 and then recover in the second half.

In its semi-annual economic forecast, the National Association of Purchasing

Management said overall nominal growth - before adjusting for inflation - will be a ''weak'' 2.2 percent in 1991.

Robert Bretz, chairman of the association's business survey committee and director of corporate purchasing at Pitney Bowes Inc., said ''although pessimistic about a recession in 1991, purchasers expect a recovery to begin in the later half of the year, fueled by continued relatively strong growth in exports and a declining trend in inflation.''

The forecast said members surveyed were ''extremely pessimistic'' about the first six months of 1991. Comparing their outlook for the first half of next year to the last half of 1990, only 22 percent forecast the next six months will be better, while almost twice as many members (43 percent) thought it would be worse.

But the number of purchasing executives who said the second half of l991 should be better than the first six months rose to 51 percent and those who predicted it would be worse dropped to 11 percent.

''To conclude that purchasing executives expect 1991 to be a difficult year would clearly be an understatement,'' the association said.

The NAPM conducts its semi-annual and monthly forecasts based on responses from 300 members to questionnaires. The association represents about 34,000 purchasing executives.

By a ratio of 4-to-1, purchasing executives said they expected to see a recession in 1991. A full 80 percent of members predicted a recession while only 20 percent did not foresee a recession next year.

In the association's last semi-annual survey in May - before Iraq's invasion of Kuwait - only 19 percent anticipated a recession in 1990 and 81 percent did not.

The association forecast ''relatively strong'' growth in exports for at least the first half of next year, while imports were expected to decrease.

The number of members anticipating a moderate increase in exports rose to 56 percent from 53 percent in May.

''This is a clear signal that even in a declining economy expanding exports can again be expected to provide the major component of growth in 1991,'' the association said in its forecast.

But the purchasing executives were bleak in their outlook for Christmas retail sales.

In viewing the prospect for sales in their geographic areas, 34 percent of the

members surveyed expected sales to be poor and only 9 percent had optimistic expectations.

The 34 percent was almost six times higher than the number forecasting poor Christmas sales at the same time last year and the largest percentage since December 1982, when the last recession was underway.

On the outlook for the next 12 months a record 12 percent of members were ''worried or pessimistic'' - the highest percentage since December 1982 and substantially above the 2 percent recorded in May.

Members said they expected prices to rise through the end of April by an average of 2 percent.

Bretz said by far the largest factor propelling the increase in prices increase was the oil price rise triggered by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait in August.

The members further predicted an overall increase in prices of 3.2 percent by the end of 1991.

Responding to questions on the reasons for a brighter outlook in the second half of 1991, Bretz said members had not been specifically asked their views but his own view was that the 1991 recession would be relatively mild.

He pointed out that inventory levels are lower than in previous recessions and at their lowest point in the last 10 years to 15 years.

Bretz said exports account for a much bigger percentage of the nation's economy than in the past and exports may be stimulated because foreign economies are in better shape than the U.S. economy.

Asked whether a resolution of the gulf crisis would have a significant impact on the U.S. economy, Bretz said he believes a recession would have occurred anyway and that a settlement in the gulf would not have much effect.

He said the problems of high debt and overconsumption must be overcome before the economy can begin to turn around.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 11) UPI - Israeli settlers, whether ideologues or just people looking for a better life, seem undeterred by the violence of the 3-year-old Palestinian uprising and growing protests over their government's policies in the occupied territories.

"We can't explain it; nobody can explain it," said Ya'acov Eshel, from Kedumim

a settlement of 1,800 mostly religious Jews near the West Bank town of Nablus. ''We have long waiting lists of families who are really pressing to join our community.''

Figures from settlement leaders indicate that during the third year of the Palestinian uprising, known in Arabic as the intifada, about 17,000 more settlers joined the 140 Jewish settlements in what they call the ''liberated territories.''

Eshel, an ideological hardliner and member of the religious nationalist Gush Emunim, or Bloc of the Faithful, opposes giving up any of the ''sacred territories'' Israel captured during the 1967 Israeli-Arab war.

But he knows that many of the 95,000 settlers living in the territories came because of better and cheaper housing, not for ideological reasons.

''When the intifada started, one of our fears was that those settlers who are not highly ideologically motivated would say, 'We are not going to endanger our families, our children. Let's go and live somewhere else,''' Eshel said.

Still, to Eshel's suprise, when very few left and more came to stay, ''We very quickly realized that they are no less ideological than the others.''

An image transformation has been a key factor in the settler's success in attracting Israelis to the West Bank and Gaza Strip, despite the danger of daily rock-throwing and occasional shootings.

From a militant religious sect campaigning for the annexation of the territories, settlers have in recent years adopted an image of a ''move to the countryside'' movement advocating a mix of pioneering spirit and suburban quality of life.

''Now is the time to stake your claim to the Jewish homeland, to seek out a better quality of life, to enjoy country living,'' says a brochure that advocates living in the West Bank settlement of Ariel, an island of 9,000 Jews in a sea of Palestinian hostility.

''We are the pioneers of the 1990s,'' said Dina Shalit, Ariel's municipal spokeswoman.

''Many of us, particularly those of us who are immigrants, were brought up on stories of clearing the desert and the swamps and today we have the opportunity to bear mountains of rocky hills into suburban villages,'' Shalit said.

Large settlements like Ariel or Ma''aleh Adumim have been cashing in heavily on this new brand of lifestyle pioneers, especially since hundreds of thousands of Soviet Jews have started immigrating to Israel since 1989.

Less than 1 percent of the 150,000 Soviet immigrants who arrived in Israel since January 1990 have settled in the territories. But a growing shortage of housing and steep rents have driven many Israeli families over the green line -the pre-1967 Israeli border - in search of cheaper housing during the uprising's third year.

''It's not just the price, it's the availability,'' said Ben Greenberger, deputy mayor of Ma'aleh Adumim, a settlement of 13,000 Jews established in the late 1970s near Jerusalem.

Greenberger, a softspoken 41-year-old former law professor from New York, moved to the settlement in 1983 ''because of the lifestyle.'' Greenberger said the intifada has had no visible effect on the stream of Israelis who want to settle in the suburban community and he expects its population to double by 1995.

Israelis moving to settlements like Ma'aleh Adumim are attracted by cheaper prices for appartments and considerable tax benefits. A 2 1/2 room apartment will cost $50,000 to $60,000, 30 percent less than in nearby Jerusalem. In addition they only pay 7 percent income tax and receive free preschooling for their children.

Jewish settlement in the West Bank increased dramatically since 1977, when the right-wing Likud Party came to power, and continued growing during Likud's coalition with the center-left Labor Party. From 5,000 settlers in 1977, the Jewish population in the West Bank reached 67,000 on the eve of the Palestinian uprising in 1987.

Settler leaders claim more than 25,000 Jews have joined their ranks since the start of the intifada. More than 1 million Palestinians live in the West Bank and 700,000 in the Gaza Strip.

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(DEC 11) UPI - Clear skies and seasonable temperatures covered much of the nation Tuesday but a blanket of fog in Tennessee contributed to a 100-car pileup that killed six people and injured 50.

Elsewhere, gusty winds made New Englanders shiver and clouds covered parts of the West as a frontal system moved in off the ocean. An arctic air mass moved into Maine during the night bringing strong northwesterly winds and scattered flurries in the mountains, but a high pressure system followed with clear skies.

Nearly all of New England saw the thermometer drop into the low 20s, with Boston reporting winds that moved at 20 to 30 mph. The gusts prompted a small

craft advisory from the Merrimack River in Massachusetts to Watch Hill, R.I.

The Tennessee disaster occurred about 10 a.m. EST after a tractor- trailer rig jackknifed between the towns of Cleveland and Athens.

''Then everybody else just plowed right into the fog bank,'' said Cecil Whaley of the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency. ''It's a mess. We've got six dead and 50 injured. They just hit each other going full speed. They were blinded by the fog. They never saw the accident until it was too late.''

Ten tractor-trailer rigs were involved and three burst into flames, Whaley said. One of the flaming trucks carried the hazardous substance organic peroxide, and the fumes overcame at least two state troopers, he said.

The West had a chance for some much needed rain Tuesday with clouds covering Southern California and northwest Nevada as a cold front that forced an early landing for a space shuttle mission moved into the area.

Forecasters said there was a 20 percent chance of showers for Los Angeles, which has suffered drought conditions for the last two years.

Washington state, which has had no shortage of rain recently, had occasional showers and local fog Tuesday morning with lows in the mid 30s.

The South and much of the central third of the nation enjoyed sparkling clear winter skies and seasonal temperatures that ranged from lows just below freezing in northern Florida to the upper 20s in Pittsburgh.

Temperatures were expected to warm up in the next several days as a warm front moved through the Midwest.

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(DEC. 11) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze says the chances of Soviet troops getting sent to the Middle East are ''NON- existent.'' Shevardnadze dismissed the idea at a news conference today in Houston. The Soviet minister also says he hopes American troops will NOT see combat in the Persian Gulf. The gulf crisis is one of the issues discussed in talks between Shevardnadze and Secretary of State Baker. The diplomats will travel to Washington tonight.

Tennessee emergency crews are using spotlights to search the mangled wreckage of 70 cars and trucks involved in chain-reaction collisions on Interstate 75. At least 14 people were killed and 51 others injured in what one official termed- ''without question the worst traffic accident in the history of Tennessee.'' Crews are expected to work into the night looking for more victims in the accidents that began when fog rolled out of the Hiwassee River

onto the highway between Cleveland and Athens, Tennessee.

Private services will be held Thursday morning at Westwood Memorial Park in Los Angeles for Armand Hammer, who died last night at 92. A public service is also planned for January 4th in Los Angeles for the maverick international businessman and philanthropist. Hammer's death followed a brief illness, and came just one day before he was to celebrate his bar mitzvah- the Jewish ceremony of manhood normally undergone in the early teens.

A Gallup poll released today says the cost of medical care becomes a bigger headache as Americans age. The survey found that medical costs are the leading health worry of nearly half of all American adults. Overall, loss of medical insurance was the major worry for 30 percent of the more than one-thousand adults polled nationwide. However, the older the age group questioned, the more often cost-related concerns were mentioned as the prime worries.

President Bush has nominated Robert Clarke to a second five-year term as U-S comptroller of the currency, despite opposition by chief of staff John Sununu. Administration officials last week were quoted as saying Sununu was lobbying for Clarke's removal, with Sununu blaming Clarke for a nationwide credit crunch. Sununu could NOT be reached for comment after today's announcement.

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PARIS (DEC. 11) UPI - France will send 4,000 more troops to Saudi Arabia by Jan. 15, boosting its contingent in the Persian Gulf area to about 10, 000, official sources said Tuesday.

Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement said Monday the French force, code-named ''Operation Daguet,'' would be reinforced before Jan. 15 in response to a request by the French commander in the field. But Chevenement gave no details of the reinforcement and initial estimates were for only about 1,000 extra troops, most of them artillery gunners, backed by warplanes and tanks.

But official sources disclosed Tuesday there would be about 4,000 men sent. There are about 6,250 French forces in the area now.

The 4,000 will include an artillery regiment equipped with 155 mm cannon, a regiment of AMX-30 B2 heavy tanks and a regiment of combat helicopters, according to the sources.

French officials have said the increase is necessary because of the change in the character of the Western mission following the passing of a U.N. resolution justifying the use of force to remove Iraq from Kuwait after Jan. 15 if necessary.

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VATICAN CITY (DEC. 11) UPI - Pope John Paul II congratulated Lech Walesa on his election as president of Poland, praising the Solidarity leader in a message published Tuesday as a man ''who had faith, hoping against all hope.''

The Polish pope gave his blessing to Walesa, his wife and family and all his ''collaborators, present and future,'' and to ''all those who have the well-being of Poland in their hearts.''

''The Polish people, despite the difficulties of the first free elections since the war, have entrusted itself to the man who had faith, hoping against all hope,'' the pope's message said.

He recalled the long struggle of Walesa and his Solidarity union, which John Paul himself helped to its ultimate triumph with support through the bleak years when Solidarity was outlawed by Poland's communist rulers.

The church in overwhelmingly Catholic Poland openly supported Walesa before his landslide election victory Sunday.

''It is not possible not to recall to memory at this moment the image of the naval shipyards of Gdansk in the year 1980 and all that it has become now under the guidance of yourself, its representative and symbol,'' John Paul told Walesa.

''This image is fixed in the eyes of Poles and the entire world,'' he said. ''It has become a living sign of the aspirations of peoples and nations for freedom and self-determination.

''It has been a cry for respect of the dignity of man,'' the pope said. ''Solidarity, Polish solidarity, has in this way restored this dignity to all those in the world who have struggled for their human rights.

''It is in this light that I see the Nobel Peace Prize which was awarded to you and all the other tributes,'' the pope told Walesa. ''It is in this light also that I see your election as president of the Polish republic.''

The pope described his native land's turbulent 1,000-year history as ''a sea of suffering, of errors and defeats, but also of victories, successes and often of ideas and exemplary accomplishments within the human family.

''It is not possible to receive such a heredity, except on one's knees.'' he said.

John Paul said all men of good will realize that Poland faces ''a very difficult reality which requires the unity of all its forces and a strong

reference to the system of values that has formed our nation in the course of the centuries.

''It calls for effective treatment for all the wounds of the nation, including those sustained during the most recent period,'' the pope said.

Expressing his ''cordial congratulations and good wishes'' to Walesa, a devout Catholic, the pope said he entrusted Poland to the Madonna of Czestochowa, regarded by Polish Catholics as the protectress of the nation.

He said was praying to grant Walesa ''the strength and inspiration of which the president of a great nation has need to restore to it dignity and union and place it in peaceful collaboration with all the nations of the world.''

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(DEC. 11) UPI - U-S officials now estimate that 575 Americans are still in Iraq or occupied Kuwait, waiting for the needed clearance to get out of the country. And Baghdad Radio reports that an Iraqi Airways jetliner chartered by Britain is waiting to load more former hostages for a flight to London and freedom.

OPEC oil ministers are gathering in Vienna for the cartel's traditional year-end meeting to discuss production and prices. The committee monitoring prices holds a meeting later today. Full ministerial sessions begin tomorrow, and the Persian Gulf crisis is expected to be high on the agenda.

An independent news agency reports that the legislature in Soviet Georgia declared a state of emergency in a rebellious region today, reasserting the republic's control over the area. The report says the emergency declaration comes two days after the region held illegal elections to form its own parliament.

Nobel Prize-winning author Alexander Solzhenitsyn today was awarded the 1990 state prize by the Russian republic for his history of the Soviet labor camp system, ''The Gulag Archipelago.'' Solzhenitsyn was exiled in 1974 and now lives in Cavendish, Vermont.

President Bush gave Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir a warm welcome at the White House today to open talks that are expected to include discussion of the Persian Gulf crisis. Shamir also is to meet with Secretary of State Baker, who is returning to Washington from Houston tonight.

U-S Navy and Coast Guard vessels are searching the Gulf of Mexico off Key West Florida, for the pilots of two planes that collided yesterday afternoon during training flights from the carrier U-S-S Lexington. Officials say the two T-A-4 Skyhawk jets collided about 85 miles northwest of Key West, during

routine training flights.

All four people aboard a hot-air balloon reportedly died this morning after it struck a television station's transmission tower near downtown Columbus, Ohio. Eyewitnesses report that the balloon struck the tower some 800 to 900 feet above the ground and then fell like a rock.

Industrialist Armand Hammer died in his Los Angeles home last night following a brief illness. He was 92. The head of Occidental Petroleum advised 10 U-S presidents on U-S relations with the Soviet Union. He personally knew all Soviet leaders from Lenin to Gorbachev.

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#90345u1061 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - The nation's banks, under steady pressure from deteriorating real estate assets, will cause a loss of $4 billion to the federal bank insurance fund this year, the government's top bank regulator said Tuesday.

L. William Seidman, chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., increased to $4 billion from $3 billion his estimate of losses to the insurance fund, which protects depositors when banks fail.

Seidman, at a news conference to detail third-quarter bank performance, said plans should be drawn up to recapitalize the fund. But, he added, the recapitalization is not needed now.

''Definitely, right now, we're not running out (of money),'' he said. ''I think we can handle what we see ahead.''

Seidman said the overall banking system remains solid, despite the steady erosion of bank assets caused by the deteriorating value of real estate assets.

''The overall system, clearly on the numbers, is sound. The system is not collapsing,'' Seidman said. ''I don't think there are any reasons for the average depositor to be concerned.''

So far this year, 134 banks have failed, down from 162 failures the same time a year ago. Regulators expect the number of bank failures this year to drop below 200 for the first time since 1986.

Overall, the nation's banks earned $3.75 billion in the third quarter, down 29 percent from their $5.3 billion profit in the second quarter. In the year-earlier period, however, banks posted a $770 million loss.

For the first nine months of the year, bank earnings totaled $15.4 billion, up 13 percent from the same period the year before. Seidman attributed the

improvement to large additions to reserves made last year for losses on loans to developing nations.

Without the drain on last year's profits caused by the additional reserves, overall bank profits would have shown a year-to-year decline, the FDIC said.

Banks set aside $8.3 billion in loss provisions during the quarter. This amount is $4.4 billion less than was set aside in the year-earlier quarter.

Total assets of commercial banks grew by $20 billion during the quarter, but much of this growth came from real estate, which accounts for about one-third of all bank assets.

''We still have far too much risk in the banking industry,'' Seidman said.

The average return on assets during the quarter slipped to 0.45 percent from 0.64 percent in the previous quarter.

Real estate lending continued to be a source of credit-quality problems for commercial banks, primarily at banks in the Northeast and Southeast. The FDIC said banks in the Northeast also are beginning to have problems with other types of commerical loans as well.

''The economy in the Northeast continues to weaken, and this is reflected in declining performance indicators for real estate, commercial and consumer loans,'' the FDIC said.

The value of non-current real estate loans rose 12.6 percent - or $3. 6 billion - to $31.3 billion during the quarter. Banks also added $2.3 billion to their inventory of foreclosed properties.

So far this year, bank losses on real estate loans have increased to $3.9 billion, up 82.7 percent from year-earlier levels.

Non-current commercial and industrial loans are also on the rise, growing to $24.6 billion during the quarter, up $1.2 billion from the second quarter. Losses on commercial loans totaled $1.9 billion during the quarter.

Consumer loan delinquencies increased 10.4 percent, or $1.7 billion, to $14 billion. Losses on consumer loans totaled $1.8 billion in the quarter and $5.1 billion so far this year. Consumer loan losses are 20 percent higher this year than last year.

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COUNTRY CLUB HILLS, Ill. (DEC. 11) UPI - The students at Nob Hill Elementary School almost had to sing lines like ''we wish you a merry censored'' and ''oh

censored tree.''

The word ''Christmas'' had been banned from the school's choral program but the prohibition was lifted just in time for the Tuesday night performance.

Hoping to keep the presentation secular, District 144 Superintendent Jack Felger had ordered students to substitute a word for ''Christmas'' each time it appeared in a song.

In rehearsals, Nob Hill music teacher Anthony Edison was told to substitute words like ''holiday'' for ''Christmas'' but he also taught students to sing the word ''censored'' whenever ''Christmas'' appeared in a song.

''That (use of 'censored') was the rebel in me,'' Edison said.

Parents protested the ''Christmas'' ban and Assistant Superintendent Cuttie Bacon, who will take over for Felger on Jan. 1, lifted the prohibition.

''We are so delighted (the ban has been lifted) and you should see the kids,'' said Sharon Rybak, a member of the local parent-teacher organization told the Chicago Sun-Times. ''They're jumping up and down because they've got Christmas back.''

Edison said none of the songs he chooses for holiday programs are explicitly religious because he feels they are inappropriate for a public school audience of diverse cultures and religions.

Rybak and others plan to take petitions with more than 170 signatures to the school board meeting Dec. 17. They want a written policy governing Christmas trees and carols.

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BERLIN (DEC. 11) UPI - A German property tycoon is giving a historic castle to each of his 12 children - including the 1-year-old - for Christmas, a report said Tuesday.

International property dealer Herbert Hillebrandt has turned his passion for buying up the historic homes of former German nobility into a hobby.

''I am giving each of my 12 children a castle for Christmas,'' he said, according to the daily newspaper Bild Zeitung.

Hillebrand, whose property company is based in the city of Cologne, owns 21 historic castles throughout Germany.

''I consider historic monuments and castles a worthwhile investment,'' the

multi-millionaire said.

Hillebrandt has eight children from two marriages and four he adopted from Colombian orphanages. One of the properties he is handing over is a 14th century moated castle, bought for his 1-year-old daughter, Maria Theresa.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (DEC. 11) UPI - The 139th attempt to find Alexander the Great has gotten off to a shaky start and many fear it will end like the previous 138 attempts - in futility.

An Islamic history professor is convinced the great Macedonian king, who conquered much of the known world before the age of 30 in the fourth century B.C., is buried in a vault beneath an Alexandria mosque, and he has asked the Department of Antiquities for permission to search for the tomb.

The Egyptian professor, Mohammad Abdulaziz, says he has two witnesses who have seen Alexander's burial place in a cavern deep under the Prophet Daniel Mosque in the historic Mediterranean city founded by the Macedonian king.

However a professor of Greek histroy has dissmissed the claim, saying he personally has explored under the mosque and found nothing more enticing than some water tanks dating to the 5th century A.D.

The dispute has caused something of a flap among Alexandria residents and the international archaeological community. But it is only the latest controversy in an escalating campaign to find the final resting place of Alexander, which is in turn part of a larger campaign to restore Alexandria to its former glory and increase its tourism potential to boot.

Now the Department of Antiquities must decide whether to grant Abdulaziz's request to probe under the mosque, the 139th proposal to Alexander the Great search it has dealt with in recent times, according to Egyptian media reports.

''I am not going to tear down the mosque or the shrine,'' Abdulaziz said recently in answer to critics who fear he will disturb the Islamic holy site. ''I don't mean to search by digging and destroying and scratching. But I am sure the tomb of Alexander the Great exists.''

The Macedonian king, whose empire stretched from Greece to modern-day India to Egypt, died in 323 B.C. at the age of 33 in Babylon and was, by historic accounts, buried in a royal cemetery in Alexandria, the city on the Egyptian Mediterranean he had founded a decade earlier.

Under the Ptolemies, who built the great Alexandria library, Alexandria flourished as the literary and scientific center of the Hellenistic world and,

under the Romans, it became a center of commerce.

But archaeologists say that over the centuries of invasions, fires and reconstruction, the exact location of Alexander's tomb became lost to history.

Now archaeologists dispute the exact size of the origninal city and the location of the royal district where Alexander was said to have been buried.

The confusion has bred a small army of explorers, professionals and amateurs of all nationalities and Alexandrians from all walks of life, who have poked and prodded and dug in an as-yet unsuccessful bid to find Alexander's mortal remains.

''Alexander the Great is famous throughout the world so the tourism and news potential of the discovery of his tomb would be considerable,'' one magazine said in explaining the vigorous search.

Egypt has been attempting to restore Alexandria to some of its former glory, planning a new Alexandria library to rival the long-destroyed ancient library and promoting the city as a tourism center.

But so far the search for Alexander has brought more embarrassment than glory. A taxi driver armed with maps almost convinced authorities that the king was located under one of the city's most prominent office buildings.

Others believe he is buried under the Al Ramle metro station and still others think he is interred somewhere in the old Roman cemetery that still exists.

Abdulaziz, a professor of Islamic histry at Alexandria University, said he has approached the search by a new angle, studying the early Islamic period between 600 and 1,000 A.D. when the tomb disappeared from memory. His research has led him to the Prophet Daniel Mosque, which he says is located on the site of a crossroads of two ancient Alexandria thoroughfares.

Fawzi al Fahkarani, a professor of Greek history at the same university, says he believes Alexander is in the Roman cemetery and not under the Islamic mosque.

''We have done excavations beneath the Prophet Daniel Mosque but we have found no tunnels leading to tombs,'' he said. ''On the contrary, we just found some water tanks.''

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#90345u1096 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - The tobacco industry Tuesday renewed its campaign aimed at discouraging teenagers from smoking, but anti-smoking forces attacked the effort as a publicity stunt and bid to head off tougher laws.

Brennan Dawson, vice president of The Tobacco Institute, said a ''multi-million dollar'' national advertising program will offer parents educational materials to help dissuade their children from smoking.

''Young people smoke primarily because of peer pressure. We are addressing this directly with a major program to assist parents in reducing that peer pressure,'' Dawson told a news conference.

About 50 million Americans currently smoke, and an estimated 390,000 Americans die each year from lung cancer, heart disease and other illnesses caused by smoking.

Six years ago, with much fanfare, the Tobacco Institute instituted a similar program to ''Help Youth say 'No''' to tobacco. However, since that time, smoking rates have remained level among U.S. teenagers, and have even risen among teenage girls.

''Reducing youth smoking cannot be accomplished by a single action. That's why the tobacco industry is tackling this problem on many fronts, '' Dawson said.

However, Fran Du Melle of the Coalition on Smoking or Health - which represents the American Cancer Society, the American Lung Association and the American Heart Association - called the campaign ''little more than a clever smokescreen.''

''If the tobacco industry were really serious about discouraging tobacco use by children, it would stop its constant barrage of advertising campaigns targeted at young people, such as the recent and ongoing 'Camel Smooth Character' campaign, and its ongoing sponsorship of youth oriented activities such as rock concerts and women's tennis,'' Du Melle said.

In addition to educational material for parents, the guidelines announced Tuesday by the $44 billion-a-year industry include:

-Cigarette samples will not be distributed in or on public streets, sidewalks or parks, except in places that are open only to people of legal age to buy cigarettes. Cigarette advertising on billboards must be at least 500 feet from any secondary school or any children's playground.

-Placement of signs and educational material in all stores selling tobacco will provide information about the age restrictions on buying tobacco. The campaign's theme is ''It's the Law.''

-Support for new state laws that set a minimum age of 18 for cigarette sales, and that require supervision of cigarette vending machines located in places frequented by minors.

Action on Smoking and Health, a legal advocacy group for anti-smoking forces, attacked the industry campaign as ''a cynical attempt to head off even stricter legislation.''

Nearly two dozen cities have passed laws banning the sale of cigarettes through vending machines. Action on Smoking and Health claimed the tobacco industry is trying to block the spread of such laws by promoting cigarette sales through vending machines in ''supervised'' locations like bowling alleys and restaurants.

''We would never tolerate the sale of alcoholic beverages, birth control pills for girls or even 'dirty' magazines through vending machines, and we certainly shouldn't for a product which is far more dangerous to children than all of these combined,'' said John Banzhaf, executive director of the anti-smoking group.

Last session, Congress narrowly defeated a bill that would have limited cigarette ads to pictureless, black-and-white ''tombstone'' format and banned cigarette sponsorship of events appealing to children.

Banzhaf claimed that ''close call,'' coupled with recent bans on cigarette advertising in Canada and France, was the ''real motive prompting the industry to eliminate the most glaring abuses, like cigarette billboards near schools and distribution of cigarettes at rock concerts.''

Thomas Lauria, a spokesman for the Tobacco Institute, denied the industry's action is aimed at averting tougher restrictions on tobacco, saying Congress currently has no anti-smoking bills on its docket.

In addition, the industry's willingness to lobby in 11 states to raise the minimum age for cigarette sales to 18 ''is certainly positive and concrete,'' Lauria said.

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#90345u1115 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

HYANNIS, Mass. (DEC. 11) UPI - More than 50 pilot whales beached themselves on Cape Cod Tuesday and stranding teams rushed to the scene to try to save them, aquarium officals said.

The whales beached themselves on Squaw Island, west of Hyannis.

Local police notified the Barnstable harbor master's office shortly before 11 a.m. The New England Aquarium sent a stranding team by van from Boston and a network of local volunteers was mobilized, said Ian McMillan, associate director of the Cape Cod Aquarium in Brewster.

McMillan said the volunteers, under the direction of the New England Aquarium,

would examine the whales to determine which need medical attention first.

''Medical teams try to keep each whale comfortable out of the water,'' said McMillan. ''It is important to keep them moist and wet and to keep them rolling from side to side to distribute their weight on their lungs.''

The standing team would also consider trying to move certain whales to deeper water.

On the other side of the Cape in Dennis an individual whale was also found beached Tuesday. ''He is in quite bad condition and probably will be euthanized,'' said McMillan.

McMillan said it was impossible to pinpoint the cause of the stranding. ''There are any number of possible explanations, ranging from illness to magnetic disturbances in the earth's crust that might affect their migration '' he said.

He said the aquarium is currently researching a new theory about whale beachings related to the way whales use current flows to navigate, ''They may become confused during high tide periods and stormy weather,'' he said.

Pilot whales are highly social, traveling in large groups called pods and are smaller than the humpback whales most often seen during whale- watching expeditions, McMillan said. Males can measure up to 25 feet in length, while females are generally 10 to 15 feet long, he said.

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#90345u1121 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(adding London close - fixing Zurich)

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	374.25	up 3.25
Morning fixing	374.30	up 0.05
Afternoon fixing	372.10	off 2.15
Close	371.50	off 2.75
Paris	374.65	up 0.42
Zurich	372.50	off 1.15
Hong Kong	374.75	up 3.00
New York		
Comex spot gold midday	372.00	off 2.20
Handy and Harman	372.10	off 1.95

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated

gold of 373.38 off 1.96 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 392.05 off 2.06 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot midday silver 4.05 unchanged.

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.035 per fine ounce off 0.015

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.08 up 0.03 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.660 up 0.036

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 419.50 off 1.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 519.50 up 1.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 93.50 unchanged per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 108.50 unchanged.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90345u1123 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - All Americans who want to leave Kuwait and Iraq may hopefully do so by Thursday when a third U.S.-chartered evacuation plane will depart Baghdad, the White House said Tuesday.

''Everyone is subject to Saddam Hussein's whims, but he has said everyone who wants to leave may leave,'' said White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater.

Fitzwater said the staff of the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait, which has remained open in defiance of Saddam, will likely also leave Thursday provided no Americans are still being held against their will.

With the return Monday of 156 former American hostages to the United States, among the first foreign nationals freed under Saddam's surprise Dec. 6 release order, there are now an estimated 575 U.S. citizens still in the two countries.

An undisclosed number of these Americans were to depart Baghdad on a second evacuation flight from Baghdad on Tuesday, said Fitzwater. He announced that the third freedom flight was to take off Thursday. ''It is likely to be the last,'' the press secretary said.

Fitzwater said ''at this point it appears'' as if all Americans who want to leave will be able to, but stressed that the administration will not know for sure until Thursday's flight and ''we see who's on the plane and who's left.''

He said, ''We watch this process with a certain amount of caution.''

The press secretary said Bush watched on television Monday as the 156 former American hostages returned to the United States, landing at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., a few miles from Washington.

After landing, many of the released hostages told awaiting family members and reporters of hiding out in Kuwait since Iraq took over the country on Aug. 2. Others told of being held against their will in Iraq as ''human shields.''

''The president is very happy to see the individual hostages released,'' Fitzwater said. But ''the president shares ... everyone's concern and disgust with the stories of harassment and depravation during their captivity.''

Fitzwater said although the United States intends to withdraw its staff from the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait once no more Americans are being held against their will, it will technically keep the facility open.

He acknowledged, however, that no American citizen will be at the embassy to raise and lower the American flag.

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#90345u1125 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) UPI - An 8-year-old saved up his earnings from a lemonade stand at a Washington intersection and contributed them to the fund the Pentagon is using to pay for Operation Desert Shield.

David, whose last name was withheld pending a check by the Pentagon with his mother to see if the family name could be released, sent in $20 in $1 bills for what is known as the Defense Cooperation Account.

A total of $6,257.92 in contributions from about 30 private citizens had been received as of Nov. 11. The smallest was $5 and the largest was $1,000.

In the note he sent with the $20 now being held at the Pentagon in a wooden box, David told Defense Secretary Dick Cheney:

''Please take this money to help buy water for the troops in the desert and the men on the boats in the gulf.''

Saudi Arabia is providing water for the troops, but a Pentagon spokesman said David's money will be put to good use.

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#90345u1131 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

PARIS (DEC. 11) UPI - Air traffic controllers at Orly and Charles de Gaulle

airports began a ''go-slow'' protest Tuesday in pursuit of a pay and manning claim, reducing by up to half the number of flights to and from the facilities airport officials said.

The controllers provided only a ''minimum'' service, meaning there were 16 of them on duty at the two Parisian airports at any time instead 48 as normal. The agitation began at 6 a.m. Tuesday and was scheduled to last until 10 p.m. Wednesday, union sources said.

Traffic was severely disrupted, especially flights between Paris and London. Only 50 percent of foreign and domestic flights were guaranteed.

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#90345u1133 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (DEC. 11) UPI - Serbia's communist president Tuesday maintained a comfortable victory margin in returns from the republic's first post-war multi-party polls but the Marxist contender in Montenegro faced a runoff because of an election law technicality.

In the Republic of Macedonia, election officials said results from three rounds of polling that began Nov. 11 gave the largest bloc of seats in the new legislature to a party of extreme nationalists.

The Election Commission of Serbia said President Slobodan Milosevic captured 62.4 percent of the votes Sunday in 143 of 250 districts for which counting was was complete.

Second was author Vuk Draskovic, a former Marxist and leader of the nationalist Serbian Renewal Movement, with 17.5 percent, followed by Ivan Djuric, a history professor and candidate of the Alliance of Reformist Forces, with 7.5 percent.

Milosevic failed in only one district to capture the most votes, with people in Senta-Ada, near the Hungarian border, favoring Djuric.

News reports quoting local election officials said Milosevic, 49, who has been in power since 1987, was leading in most of the 107 electoral districts where vote-counting was still under way.

The Election Commission said candidates of the Socialist Party of Serbia, the name taken by the communists in July, won 34 races for the 250-member unicameral assembly. Five contests went to candidates of an ethnic Hungarian party.

Runoffs will be held Dec. 23 in 181 contests because no candidates won majorities, the commission said. Communists were the top vote- getters in 91 of the races.

About 80 percent of Serbia's 6.8 million voters participated in the first post-war multi-party elections in the largest of Yugoslavia's six republics.

In the Montenegro capital of Titograd, 380 miles south of Belgrade, election officials revised their projections and said Communist Party chief Momir Bulatovic faced a runoff for president because his 163,000 votes were less than 50 percent of the 410,000 registered voters.

Bulatovic, however, captured more than twice the number of ballots than his nearest rival, Ljubisa Stankovic of the Alliance of Reformist Forces, which advocates Western-style economic and political reforms. The runoff will be held Dec. 23.

Officials reiterated that candidates of the ruling League of Communists of Montenegro were ahead in most races for the 125-seat assembly, but withheld vote counts for unknown reasons.

Meanwhile, the completion Sunday of a third round of voting in Macedonia for a 120-member assembly gave the Macedonian Party for Macedonian National Unity - known by the initials VMRO - 37 seats, said the Election Commission in the republic's capital of Skopje, 280 miles southeast of Belgrade.

VMRO advocates autonomy for the republic of about 2 million.

In second place were the communists with 31 seats, followed by the ethnic Albanian Party for Democratic Prosperity with 25 seats and the Alliance of Reformist Forces with 18 seats.

The rest went to smaller parties and independents. The result in one seat was unavailable.

While the elections ended absolute communist rule, no party won a majority of seats, requiring the formation of a coalition. There were no indications as to whether any progress had been made between the parties on forming a new government.

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#90345u1145 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA (DEC. 11) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 900, slaughter steers and heifers continue active, firm to 50 cents higher. Slaughter steers choice 2-4 1100-1350 lbs. 81. 50-82.50, load reputation fed 82.75. select 1050-1150 lbs. 77.00-79.50. Slaughter heifers choice 2-4 950-1250 lbs. 81.00-82.25. select 925- 1100 lbs. 77.00-79.50.

Hogs 2,200; barrows and gilts 1.50 higher, trading active. U.S. 1-3 220-250 lbs. 49.50-50. 00. Sows not established.

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#90345u1147 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 11) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 89-91; large 86- 89 and mediums 79-82.

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#90345u1164 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (DEC. 11) UPI - The Russian Federation's legislature agreed Tuesday to help write the final draft of a new compact tying the Soviet republics together in a revitalized federation.

Boris Yeltsin, in effect the Russian president as head of its parliament, urged deputies to vote for the giant republic's involvement in negotiations on the accord.

''We are for the union - a union based not on unitary principles but on equality and the truly free will of each republic,'' Yeltsin told the Congress of People's Deputies.

The Congress, the larger parent body of the permanent Russian Parliament, approved a measure agreeing ''to be a full-fledged subject of a renewed U.S.S.R. on the basis of a new union treaty.''

Lawmakers, responding to pleas from mothers and wives of soldiers who have died in the peacetime army, also passed a resolution asking Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to avoid sending troops to quell ethnic strife in the country's far-flung trouble spots.

Gorbachev is promoting a new treaty to replace the 1922 accord by which the country formally came into being and to serve as the basis of a renamed ''Union of Sovereign Soviet Republics.''

The three Baltic republics of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania and the Transcaucasian republic of Georgia, all controlled by newly elected nationalist parliaments, have said they will not sign any pact subordinating them to Moscow.

The draft treaty has been distributed to deputies, sent to the 15 republics and published in the Soviet press. Formal negotiations are to begin soon with

representatives sent to Moscow from participating republics.

The Soviet Communist Party's Central Committee, meeting at a closed Kremlin plenum near the Russian Congress, endorsed the draft pact at Gorbachev's urging, the official Tass news agency said.

Nursultan Nazarbayev, president of the Central Asian republic of Kazakhstan, told reporters in Moscow that he would head a four-person delegation to the talks on the treaty.

Nazarbayev, widely viewed as a leading contender for the new post of Soviet vice president, said the central government must give up some of its powers in the process of decentralization.

''The center (central government) continues to pretend that the sovereignty of the republics does not exist,'' he said.

Gorbachev has promised the constituent states greatly expanded freedom in the new union but the draft treaty reserves substantial powers for Moscow, including control of the armed forces, borders, money, strategic resources and other traditional functions.

Yeltsin's address Tuesday was milder than past statements in which he said that Russia, which takes up three-quarters of the Soviet Union and is home to half its 290 million people, must be guaranteed control of the oil, gold, diamonds and other raw materials on its vast territory.

Yeltsin has also demanded that the central government recognize the Russian legislature's June declaration of sovereignty, a declaration passed this year by 14 of the 15 republics.

Both Yeltsin and Nazarbayev accused Gorbachev of trying to rush through final signing of the new treaty.

''In signing such an important document as a treaty of sovereign republics or states, one should proceed from the real conditions and opportunities of the republics themselves rather than from calendar terms,'' Yeltsin said.

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#90345u1172 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (DEC. 11) UPI - A Kuwait Airways plane left Cairo Tuesday for London and New York to inaugurate the second stage of its operations from its temporary headquarters.

The state-owned airlines, previously the fourth largest in the Arab world, had initially suspended its flights following the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of the oil-rich emirate, but in October it resumed operations on a limited scale with

three weekly flights in the Middle East from Cairo to Dubai, Jeddah and Bahrain.

Now the airlines is beginning service to London and New York as well, officials in Cairo said.

''Continuation of Kuwait Airways flights is a determination to keep the Kuwaiti flag high in the sky,'' said an advertisment in Cairo's newspapers announcing the resumption of the overseas service.

Many of the airline's planes were seized by Iraqi forces at Kuwait's international airport and taken to Baghdad, but enough aircraft were out of the country at the time of the invasion to keep the airlines operating now on a limited scale, officials said in Cairo.

Kuwaiti officials have said they will ask for compensation for the blue and white Kuwaiti planes seized by Iraqi authorities, which reportedly were repainted with the green Iraqi Airways insignia.

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#90345u1174 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (DEC. 11) UPI - Stock prices on the London International Stock Exchange fell Tuesday in the wake of a successful first day of trading on privatized electricity distribution company shares and poor retail sales figures released earlier in the week. Stocks also eased in slow trading in Frankfurt.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which slipped 0.9 points Monday fell 16.7 points to 2,165.8. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 15.5 points to 1,706.0.

Trading was extended by 90 minutes as activity on the oversuscribed electricity distribution company "discos" swelled volume to 826 million shares compared with only 317 million shares changing hands Monday.

Trading in the 12 electricity company began at 2:30 p.m. local time, as a lacklustre market waited for the anticipated rush. Disco shares averaged profits on the first day of around 51 percent, with many investors rushing to sell the shares, oversubscribed 10.7 times.

The government received 10.2 million applications for shares from private citizens and institutions, making it the most popular privatization scheme in the British government's program.

The 12 companies which began trading included Eastern Electricity, Manweb, Midland Electricity, Northern Electric, Norweb, Seeboard, Southern Electric, South Wales Electricity, South Western Electricity and Yorkshire Electricity.

The most profitable of the companies were South Wales at $3.13, up from the purchase price of $1.90, and Yorkshire at $3.04, up from $1.60 a share.

Meanwhile analysts said retail sales figures released Monday showing a slump of 0.5 percent in November, the second monthly slowdown in sales, hurt investor enthusiam in leading retailers.

In the retailing sector, Sears fell ten cents to $1.56 after a downgrading from a local broker and Kingfisher, parent company of Woolworth's, dipped 33 cents to $7.16 after a similar downgrading.

Meanwhile, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed lower in quiet trading. The closely watched 30 stock German Stock Index, which eased 8.04 points Monday, slipped another 12.12 points to 1,492.68.

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#90345u1211 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - The ruling Revolutionary Command Council in Iraq today issued a statement pardoning its dissidents and deserters if they return to Iraq within two months. The official Iraq News Agency says the pardon covers political crimes and those who deserted their posts or went absent-without-leave since Iraqi forces invaded Kuwait on August 2nd. There is NO indication of just how many people the pardon might cover.

The Pentagon, meanwhile, reported that a Marine who collapsed after a run died yesterday afternoon after a medical team was NOT able to revive him. The death is the 56th connected with Operation Desert Shield in the Persian Gulf region. The Pentagon also reported that another Marine had died on Sunday aboard the U-S Navy hospital ship ''U-S-S Comfort,'' where he was taken after complaining of a headache and nausea. A spokesman says the Marine died of a probable ruptrued aneurysm.

President Bush gave a ''thumbs up'' signal and told reporters at a picture-taking session today that he is ''totally'' cured of the flu bug that hit him on Sunday. Bush was asked about his health during a photo session with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir. The Israeli leader is in Washington, D-C, for talks with Bush, Secretary of State Baker and other American officials and Jewish leaders.

Authorities say as many as 100 cars and trucks slammed into each other in thick fog on Interstate 75 between Athens and Cleveland, Tennessee. They say the crashes killed at least six people and injured 50 others when a thick fog bank moved in from the Hiwassee River. Police say at least 10 tractor-trailer rigs were involved in the crash and three of them burst into flames.

Funeral services are being set for financier Armand Hammer, who died at his Los Angeles home last night. The 92-year-old industrialist was a fixture in

U-S relations with the Soviet Union since 1921 when he personally met with Lenin and worked out an agreement to trade Russian furs for American wheat. Hammer became an adviser on Soviet relations to 10 U-S presidents and knew all Soviet leaders from Lenin to Gorbachev . His death came just one day before he was to celebrate his bar mitzvah, some 79 years late. The delay came because his socalist father had stopped any religious observances.

A judge in New York City today granted Ivana Trump a divorce from Donald Trump ending 10 months of scandal and squabbling. Neither side in the divorce would discuss details of how much of Trump's dwindling financial empire would go to Ivana, who had signed a pre- nuptial agreement that provided about 25-Million dollars in the event of divorce.

Communists appear to be holding onto the power they have had in the Yugoslavian republics of Serbia and Montenegro for years. Their victories are part of the first multi-party elections in the two republics since World War Two. And the results run counter to what has been an anti-Communist tide that swept the rest of Yugoslavia and most of Eastern Europe in recent months.

There may be some changes in the Kremlin leadership, according to the official news agency Tass. And they could involve the resignation of Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov, blamed for a series of failed economic plans in the Soviet Union. Tass reports that Ryzhkov may leave after five years and that Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze may be his replacement. Shevardnadze is in the U-S for a series of top-level talks. The report says he may be replaced by Middle East trouble-shooter Yevgeny Primakov. He recently finished two special missions to Iraq and the Middle East at the request of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev .

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#90345u1340 12/11/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 11) UPI - The White House says all Americans who want to leave Kuwait and Iraq may hopefully have done so by Thursday, when a third U-S-chartered flight will depart from Baghdad. White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater says the staff of the U-S Embassy in Kuwait also will likely leave on Thursday provided NO more Americans are being held against their will. Fitzwater says an undetermined number of Americans are leaving Baghdad today on a chartered flight.

The nation's purchasing managers are predicting a recession during the first half of 1991 with a recovery coming in the second half of the year. The National Association of Purchasing Management said in it semi- annual economic forecast that overall nominal U-S economic growth next year will be a ''weak'' two-point-two percent, before adjustments for inflation. The report on a survey of 300 purchasing managers said the executives are ''extremely pessimistic'' about the first six months of 1991.

The Commerce Department reports that the nation's current account deficit grew

by three-point-one-BILLION dollars in the third quarter when compared with the second. And much of the increase can be traced to higher imports of more costly foreign oil. The figures also tell of a marked decline in foreign purchases of U-S Treasury securities in the July-to-September period. They dropped from three-point-six-BILLION dollars in the second quarter to only 500-Million dollars in the third quarter.

The top government bank regulator says the steady pressure of deteriorating real estate assets is going to cost the federal bank insurance fund about four-BILLION dollars this year. Chairman L. William Seidman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation raised his estimated loss by one-BILLION dollars at a news conference in Washington.

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev is one of those sending condolences on word of the death of American industrialist Armand Hammer. The 92-year-old head of Occidental Petroleum died yesterday at his Los Angeles home following a short illness. Hammer's dealings with the Soviet Union date back to 1921 and a meeting with Lenin. He lived to see a 1982 interview come true... one in which he said that communism doesN'T work and that private ventures would some day replace Russian socialism.

Supporters of rival tribal factions in South Africa have finally agreed to work for peace in one battle-torn black township where recent clashes claimed at least 37 lives. The conflicts involve supporters of Nelson Mandela's African National Congress and rival Zulus. And police say they expect the death toll will rise as more bodies are found.

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#90345u1409 12/11/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 11) UPI - The State Department says another U-S-chartered plane will be sent to Kuwait and Baghdad on Thursday to pick up any Americans still in Kuwait. The department says it believes the evacuation of U-S citizens from the occupied emirate is probably complete. However, it says there is a remote chance that some Americans may still be in hiding or had NOT heard about the flights out.

A Soviet Foreign Ministry source says Eduard Shevardnadze will meet with Israeli Prime Minister Shamir tomorrow in Washington. The meeting would represent the highest diplomatic contact ever between the Soviet Union and Israel. The Soviet foreign minister is flying to the capital tonight after two days of talks with Secretary of State Baker in Houston.

Reputed mobster John Gotti and three associates are expected to spend the night at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in Manhattan. The F-B-I say the four are charged in a sealed federal indictment... and were arrested by agents in New York tonight. The agency says the men were indicted on a variety of charges but- in the words of a spokesman- ''we do NOT know what the charges in

it are.''

Marine scientists and volunteers are working to save more than 50 pilot whales that beached themselves on Cape Cod today... not far from the Kennedy family compound. Experts say time is running out for the stranded mammals, who are in danger of going into shock before workers can push them back into the ocean. Three of the 58 whales had already died or been put to death by this afternoon.

One of the nation's most publicized martial splits is official. A New York judge today granted Ivana Trump a divorce from the man she called ''the Donald.'' The marriage ended amicably after 10 months of scandal and squabbling, with Donald Trump issuing a statement wishing his former wife ''the best.'' Neither side revealed how much of Trump's shrunken fortune Ivana will receive.

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#90345x0457 12/11/1990 ~Comtex

WOODSTOCK, VT (DEC. 11) UPI - New England Ski Areas Council official summary of snow conditions at New England ski areas as of 7 a.m. Dec. 11, 1990.

Skiing conditions are subject to change due to weather, skier traffic, and other factors. Be aware of changing conditions.

Legend: new-inches of new snow snowfall ending in last 24 hours, pdr-powder snow, pp-packed powder, wet gr-wet granular, lsgr-loose granular, frgr-frozen granular, corn-corn snow, mgs-machine groomed surface (where two such terms appear, the former shows conditions on 70 percent or more terrain, and the latter the next-most-prevalent condition) vc-variable conditions, sc-spring conditions xx of 00 trails-number of trails open, sm-snow made in last 24 hours, tc-thin cover, wbln-windblown snow, var-variable, ns-night skiing available, no-not operating, opr-operating.

Connecticut

Woodbury new pp / 5- 12 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm ns

Massachusetts

Brodie Mtn new pp /lsgr 6- 26 base 4 trails 3 lifts sm ns

Jiminy Peak new pp /lsgr 8- 28 base 6 trails 2 lifts sm ns

Nashoba Valley new lsgr / 7- 16 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm ns

Wachusett Mtn new pp / 8- 36 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm ns

Maine

Mt. Abram new lsgr / 6- 30 base 8 trails 2 lifts sm

Shawnee Peak new pp / 6- 24 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

Sugarloaf/usa new pp /lsgr 6- 44 base 25 trails 3 lifts sm

Sunday River 2 new pp / 18- 38 base 28 trails 5 lifts sm

New Hampshire

Attitash new pp / 12- 72 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm

Gunstock new lsgr / 6- 18 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Loon Mountain new pp /lsgr 8- 14 base 5 trails 3 lifts sm

Ragged Mtn new lsgr /frgr 4- 24 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Waterville Vly new lsgr / 7- 16 base 9 trails 4 lifts sm

Wildcat Mtn 2 new pp / 14- 84 base 10 trails 2 lifts sm

New York

Belleayre new lsgr / 4- 20 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

Brantling new hp / 5- 20 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Gore Mountain new lsgr /frgr 5- 32 base 4 trails 4 lifts sm

Holiday Valley new vc /pp 0- 12 base 4 trails 3 lifts sm

Hunter Mountain new pp /lsgr 6- 46 base 28 trails 13 lifts sm

Kissing Bridge new pp /vc 0- 22 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Ski Windham new pp / 6- 41 base 10 trails 3 lifts sm

Swain Ski Ctr new pp / 8- 18 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Titus Mountain new pp /frgr 0- 10 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm

Whiteface new vc /lsgr 2- 26 base 4 trails 3 lifts sm

Pennsylvania

Hidden Valley new pp / 4- 8 base 3 trails lifts

Seven Springs new lsgr / 0- 8 base 4 trails 2 lifts

Shawnee Mtn new pp /lsgr 5- 20 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

Ski Sawmill new / - base 1 trails 1 lifts ns

Vermont

Ascutney Mtn new pp / 4- 24 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Bolton Valley 2 new pp /lsgr 10- 20 base 14 trails 3 lifts sm

Bromley Mtn new lsgr / 4- 20 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm

Burke Mountain 2 new pp /lsgr 5- 15 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Jay Peak 2 new pp /frgr 4- 26 base 17 trails 3 lifts sm

Killington new pp /lsgr 16- 30 base 34 trails 10 lifts sm

Magic Mountain new pp / 12- 18 base 8 trails 2 lifts sm

Middlebury Snob 2 new pp / 4- 24 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Mt. Snow new lsgr /pp 12- 24 base 20 trails 6 lifts sm

Okemo Mountain new pp /lsgr 16- 24 base 27 trails 6 lifts sm

Pico new pp /lsgr 10- 28 base 7 trails 4 lifts sm

Smugglers Notch new frgr /pp 4- 24 base 12 trails 2 lifts

Stowe 1 new pp /frgr 10- 36 base 8 trails 4 lifts sm

Stratton Mtn new lsgr /pp 15- 26 base 10 trails 4 lifts sm

Sugarbush 1 new pdr /pp 15- 52 base 15 trails 5 lifts sm

New England winter sports outlook: Mostly sunny, cold today. A few flurries north. Highs from teens to 30s north to south. Flurries possible northern Vermont after midnight. Lows from single numbers and teens north to 20s south. Wednesday scattered flurries north. Highs Wednesday from 20s to 40s north to south.

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TOLEDO, OH (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Dana Corporation of Toledo, Ohio, announced today that it has formed a joint venture with Tianjin Auto Filter Factory (TAFF) of Tianjin, People's Republic of China, for the manufacture of Dana's Wix (TM) brand filters.

The announcement was made by Carl H. Hirsch, senior vice president of Dana.

TAFF is one of the 50 factories under the leadership of Tianjin Auto Industry Corporation, which is China's fourth largest manufacturer of automobiles and trucks and one of that country's major producers of light trucks and vans.

Dana Corporation of Toledo, Ohio, is the largest independent manufacturer of components for automobiles and trucks in the United States and the second largest in the world, with total sales of $4.9 billion in 1989. Wix Corporation, a leading manufacturer of filters for the original equipment (OE) and replacement markets, was founded in 1939 in Gastonia, North Carolina, and was acquired by Dana in 1979. In addition to its ten U.S. facilities, Wix works closely with affiliates in Australia, Venezuela and Canada.

The 50/50 joint venture company, which will operate under the name Tianjin Wix Filter Corporation, will begin manufacturing filters at an existing TAFF facility early in 1991. The facility has a manufacturing capacity of two million filters a year. Following improvements in production processes, capacity should rise to five million in five years.

Dana recently increased its equity ownership of its Australian affiliate to 100 percent. Dana Australia, a major distributor of heavy duty truck drivetrain replacement parts with 1989 sales of $50 million, now has moved beyond its traditional distribution focus into the light duty OE truck market. Earlier this year, the division won the aluminum driveshaft business of Ford Australia, and in October it was awarded the Ford Australia axle business. Initially these products will be imported from other Dana locations, but the ultimate goal is to have them manufactured and assembled in facilities near Dana's customers in Australia.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Wednesday announced that it has signed a three-year, $11 million services agreement with Domino's Farm Services on behalf of Domino's Pizza Inc., and affiliated companies.

The communications services agreement makes US Sprint the primary carrier for Domino's voice traffic.

US Sprint will provide a Virtual Private Network (VPN), linking 1,500 corporate-owned stores, 12 regional offices, 30 commissaries, Domino's Pizza World headquarters in Ann Arbor, Mich., and many of the 3,656 franchise store locations. The partnership calls for later expansion to the 337 international stores and 13 international commissaries.

Domino's can use US Sprint's FONCARD, SprintNet data services, the Sprint Meeting Channel video teleconferencing service, employee benefits program and integrated services digital network (ISDN) services. US Sprint will continue to provide Domino's Pizza customer service access through 1-800-DOMINOS.

The partnership between US Sprint and Domino's is a strategic alliance for joint development of new technologies and use of Sprint's integrated services digital network (ISDN).

Corey Mantel, telecommunications manager with Domino's Farms Services, said the company selected US Sprint because of its comprehensive package of telecommunications services and support.

''US Sprint's commitment to support Domino's complex telecommunications requirements was the No. 1 reason for our selection,'' Mantel said. ''US Sprint was prepared with innovative solutions to meet our needs and was quite flexible in designing a total communications package with Domino's future goals in mind.''

Domino's Pizza Inc. has more than 5,300 stores throughout the United States and 22 international markets.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the nation's only all-digital, fiber-optic network.

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MUSKEGON, MI (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of SPX Corporation (NYSE:SPW) today authorized a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per common share, payable March 11, 1991, to shareholders of record on February 22 1991.

Nineteen ninety is the 51st consecutive year that SPX Corporation has paid dividends.

SPX Corporation, a Fortune 500 company, is a world leader in the design, production and distribution of specialty repair tools and equipment, and the distribution of replacement parts to the motor vehicle service industry.

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MENLO PARK, CA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - SangStat Medical Corp., noted for its work in the organ transplant field, has signed a marketing agreement with Produits Roche, the French subsidiary of Roche Holding S.A., regarding a new application of SangStat's novel immunoassay technology.

According to the terms of the agreement, SangStat will make pregnancy diagnostic kits based on its TRANSTAT test system, and Roche will market the kits for clinical laboratory use in France. Roche also will have the right of first discussion for marketing throughout Europe.

HCG (human chorlonic gonadotropin) is a hormone secreted by the placenta during pregnancy.

Roche is expected to begin marketing the pregnancy test in early 1991, following French regulatory approval. Based on the strong market demand for rapid, easy and reliable pregnancy diagnosis, projections indicate that millions of tests are likely to be sold in France during the first three years of marketing.

SangStat is a privately held biomedical company focused on the development and commercialization of novel monitoring and therapeutic products for use in cell typing and organ transplatation.

Founded in 1988, SangStat's mission is two-fold: 1) to provide instrument-free highly sensitive screening systems for determining donor tissue compatibility and for monitoring transplant patients post-surgery and 2) to provide highly specific immune system therapy which either suppresses the particular immune cells responsible for transplant rejection or induces the cells to tolerate transplanted tissue.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Maxicare Health Plans Inc. advises the brokerage community and prospective holders of Maxicare securities to be

issued in connection with Maxicare's emergence from Chapter 11 Bankruptcy proceedings, that the securities laws of most States do not at this time permit trading of the securities.

Maxicare cautions brokers and securityholders to await further notifications from Maxicare or seek independent legal advice prior to trading Maxicare or seek independent legal advice prior to trading Maxicare securities.

Interested persons with any questions should contact Alan Bloom, senior vice president -- General Counsel, in Maxicare's legal department. Bloom can be reached at 213/568-9000 ext. 3917.

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LOUISVILLE, COLO (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Explosive Fabricators Inc. (NASDAQ:BOOM) Wednesday announces its results of operations for the year and fourth quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

The company reported sales during the quarter of $3,317,000 vs. $3,261,000 in 1989. Earnings for the quarter were $15,000, or 1 cent per share, in comparison to $163,000, or 5 cents in 1989. The weighted average number of shares in 1990 includes 276,000 newly issued common shares issued in exchange for $1.2 million.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - DEP Corp. (NASDAQ:DEPC) Wednesday reported that 1991 first-quarter net income rose significantly compared with the same period last year.

Net income for the three-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, was $1,594,000, or 27 cents per share, compared with $502,000, or 9 cents per share, for the comparable period of fiscal 1990. First-quarter results were impacted favorably by a $752,000 net gain, or 13 cents per share, from the repurchase of a portion of the company's convertible subordinated debentures.

Net income from operations for the first quarter was $842,000, or 14 cents per share, compared with $502,000, or 9 cents per share, for the comparable period one year ago. A lower cost of goods -- reflecting a favorable sales mix -- and lower selling and delivery expenses contributed to the 68 percent increase in income. The company also did not incur losses from its United Kingdom

operation, which was closed in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990.

Net sales were $24,615,000 for the first quarter 1991, compared with $27,746,000 for the comparable quarter last year. Sales for the first quarter 1990 included approximately $1.1 million generated by the United Kingdom operations and reflected a one-time inventory buildup by retailers following the launch of new shampoos.

''We currently are watching the purchasing patterns of our retailer customers and of consumers with concern,'' said DEP Corp. chairman and president, Robert Berglass. ''On the positive side, we believe our strategy of price, value and quality positions DEP Corp. well even in difficult economic times. We will continue monitoring present operations closely while we build for the future.''

DEP Corp. is a consumer products company engaged in the development, manufacture, and sale of a wide range of niche' market personal care products, principally sold at drug stores, supermarkets and mass merchandisers throughout the United States. Trademarks include Dep, L.A. Looks, Lilt, Topol Lavoris, Cuticura, Porcelana, Natures Family, Bantron and DietAyds.

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CONCORD, CA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Citing improved gross margins, SBE Inc. (NASDAQ:SBEI), a manufacturer of communications and computer products, reported increased sales for 1990, the eighth consecutive year the company has reported sales growth.

For the year ended Oct. 31, 1990, sales were $19,363,000, a 4 percent increase from $18,553,000 a year earlier. Operating income rose from $1,141,000 to $1,809,000, an increase of 59 percent. Earnings per share rose from 33 cents to $1.07.

For the fourth quarter, sales dropped from $5,038,000 to $4,793,000, a 5 percent decrease. Operating income was $452,000, down 29 percent over $633,000 for the fourth quarter of 1989.

Earnings per share increased from 13 cents to 18 cents from year to year. Fourth quarter 1989 earnings per share included a $315,000 write-down of software costs as a non-operating expense. At the end of the fourth quarter 1990, SBE effected a one-for-ten stock split. All share data reflect the reverse split.

''Despite a drop in sales in the fourth quarter, 1990 marks SBE's most successful year yet,'' said Chief Executive Officer William R. Gage. ''It is our eighth consecutive year of sales growth.

''Excluding a one-time insurance benefit, SBE's net income increased 140 percent, from $601,000 to $1.44 million in fiscal 1990. This is the first year since we entered the computer business in 1982 that we've experienced an annual profit of more than $1 million.

''The drop in sales during the fourth quarter is a direct result of the uncertain economy, which has prompted many of our customers to delay product shipments,'' said Gage. ''This trend should continue into the first quarter of 1991, with sales comparable to the first quarter of 1990. We expect sales to improve in the second quarter, barring any significant economic downturns.

''SBE's increased profits in 1990 can be attributed to better gross margins,'' said Gage. ''During the year, SBE pursued an aggressive product development schedule, with 10 new products coming to market. This included one of our most successful product introductions ever -- the Token Ring product line, which allows VMEbus and Multibus I systems to access Token Ring LANs.

''Because of their uniqueness on the market, the VCOM-33 and MLAN-T were very well-received,'' said Gage.

''During 1990 we invested heavily in our sales and marketing programs to broaden our customer base. We also significantly improved our engineering and manufacturing capabilities,'' said Gage. ''We are optimistic that our aggressive product introduction schedule and the growing breadth of our customer base have prepared us well for the challenges of 1991.''

SBE designs, manufactures and markets high-performance standard and custom-designed communications products for OEMs and systems integrators. Products include high-speed communications controllers and 680x0-based single-board computers for VMEbus and Multibus I applications.

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BELLEVUE, WASH. (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Esterline Corporation (NYSE) today reported net earnings of $7.1 million, or $1.08 per share, for fiscal 1990 (ended October 31).

Prior year net earnings, before an extraordinary credit from a tax loss carryforward, were $7.9 million, or $.94 per share on more shares than in 1990. (There were 6.5 million average shares outstanding in 1990 vs. 8.4 million in 1989 as the result of a buy-in of stock from a major shareholder in September 1989.) The tax credit in fiscal 1989 was $723,000 or $.09 per share,

bringing that year's net earnings after the extraordinary item to $8.6 million or $1.03 per share.

Earnings for fiscal 1990 reflect $17.4 million of interest expense, compared with only $3.5 million the previous year. The increase is primarily from interest on debt incurred for the purchase of shares and the simultaneous acquisition of six former Criton Technologies operations. The company reduced its total debt by $21 million during fiscal 1990 to a total of $151.1 million at year-end. Fiscal 1990 sales, which included sales from the acquired companies, were $389.1 million. This compares with $284.2 million in fiscal 1989, which included only one month of sales from the acquisition.

Fourth quarter net earnings in fiscal 1990 were $1.6 million, or $.25 per share. Net earnings in the same year-ago quarter, which included only one month of earnings from the acquired companies, were also $1.6 million before a tax loss carryforward benefit of $347,000. Earnings per share in the fiscal 1989 quarter, based on the higher number of shares outstanding, were $.20 before the extraordinary item, which added $.05 per share for a net earnings per share of $.25.

Esterline is a leading manufacturer of automation equipment for the production of printed circuit boards and metal fabrication, instrumentation for quality control, power measurement and process control, and engineered products for the commercial aircraft, aerospace and defense industries.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Bechtel Corp. in Los Angeles has been awarded a contract by Texaco Refining and Marketing Inc., to design, engineer and provide procurement services for Texaco's Bakersfield, Calif. facilities.

A new sulfur removal complex and modernization of the coker, crude vacuum unit naphtha hydrotreater and other off-site facilities are key elements of the project.

Bechtel will perform process design and detailed engineering in both its Los Angeles Regional Office in Norwalk, and in its Bakersfield offices.

According to Del Zambon, business development manager for Bechtel in Los Angeles, the project is part of Texaco's ongoing program to meet all clean air and clean fuels requirements. ''California-based refineries are definitely taking the national lead in modernizing and improving their facilities,'' Zambon said.

Don Hall, Texaco's refinery manager in Bakersfield, said that the project is especially important for Kern County. ''This project represents an important milestone in Texaco's ability to process heavy Kern County crude oil in an environmentally responsible manner,'' Hall said.

Work on the project is underway.

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LA PUENTE, CA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwest Water Co. (NASDAQ:SWWC) announced Wednesday that its board of directors approved a four-and-one-half percent increase in the quarterly cash dividend on its shares of common stock to 23.25 cents per share, from 22.25 cents per share, payable on Jan. 20, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

As a result, Southwest Water's new annual dividend will be 93 cents per share. The company has increased its dividend payment for 15 consecutive years, from 7 cents in 1975 to the newly declared 93 cents per share.

Southwest Water is the parent company of Suburban Water Systems (water service in parts of Los Angeles and Orange Counties); New Mexico Utilities Inc. (water supply and sewage disposal services northwest of Albuquerque); ECO Resources Inc., Line-One Inc. and SOCI Inc. (operational and maintenance services for water supply and wastewater treatment facilities in Texas, Mississippi and California).

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PHOENIX (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - DATAPHAZ Inc. (NASDAQ:DPHZ) Wednesday announced operating results for the third quarter and nine month period ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Sales and revenue for the third quarter of fiscal 1991 declined 31.7 percent to $17,832,000 from the $26,126,000 reported in the year earlier period. Net income of $104,000, or 3 cents per share, was reported for the current quarter compared to a loss of ($122,000), or (3 cents) per share, reported in the third quarter of the prior year.

Sales and revenue for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, declined 28.2 percent to $57,760,000 from the $80,397,000 reported in the prior year period. Net income of $319,000, or 9 cents per share, was reported for the current nine month period, compared to a net loss of ($991,000), or (26 cents) per share, for the comparable prior year period.

Commenting on sales and revenue, Thomas C. Niccoli, president and chief operating officer, noted that the prior year quarter and nine month period included $4.3 and $14.8 million, respectively in sales and revenue from the Albuquerque and Dallas/Ft. Worth ComputerLand stores which were sold during the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990. The company did, however, experience a decline in same store sales and revenue of $4 and $7.8 million, repectively, between the comparable quarter and nine month period.

Management attributes these declines to the present recessionary conditions, closure of company's retail storefront operations, and the winding down of operations in Las Vegas prior to the sale of that store on Oct. 31, 1990. In addition, the company shifted more than $2.7 and $6.5 million in low-margin business during the current quarter and nine month period, respectively, to the ComputerLand Assisted Sales program.

These sales do not appear in the consolidated financial statements; rather, the company received fees for arranging the sale and delivery of this equipment.

The net income reported for the current quarter and nine month period results from the company's implementation of a Super Value Added Reseller marketing strategy. This strategy, which emphasizes service and support rather than price and volume, has partially offset declining hardware margins and improved overall gross profit by increasing the mix of ''value-added'' revenue generated from network consulting, installation, training and maintenance.

Further, the operating results for the current periods have been positively impacted by the disposition of the Albuquerque and Dallas/Ft. Worth operations and decreases in same store SG&A expense and interest. The decrease in same store SG&A expense results from the downsizing of operations and the establishment of additional cost controls in response to the revised marketing strategy.

Interest expense declined between the comparable periods due to the significant reduction in average short-term borrowings.

Thomas C. Niccoli added, ''In today's tough economic environment, businesses have real connectivity needs and concerns. DATAPHAZ has the expertise to provide solutions to these problems through our Advanced Systems Group. This group specializes in systems analysis and design, installation, training and

support of LANs and WANs.''

DATAPHAZ operates ComputerLand locations in Arizona and Colorado and continues to be one of ComputerLand Corp.'s largest domestic franchisees. The company's corporate offices are located at 15002 N. 25th Dr., Phoenix, 85023.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Carolco Pictures Inc. (NYSE: CRC) Wednesday announced that the company has signed an agreement with the Village Roadshow Corp. for the distribution of 10 motion pictures in Australia.

Village Roadshow is one of the two largest theatrical exhibitors in Australia. The announcement was made by Carolco Chairman Mario Kassar.

Carolco Pictures is a diversified entertainment company formed for the purpose of financing, producing and leasing motion pictures for exhibition in domestic (United States and Canada) and foreign theatrical markets and for later worldwide release in all media, including home video and pay and free television.

In a continuing plan to broaden its distribution systems and product base, Carolco acquired Orbis Communications, a leader in the television distribution and advertising sales industry, and the IndieProd company, an independent motion picture production company headed by Dan Melnick.

Carolco Licensing arranges licenses for characters and similar rights for motion picturees controlled by Carolco, as well as in other quality products. Carolco Music handles the development and exploitation of music publishing rights.

Carolco owns a 47 percent voting interest in LIVE Entertainment Inc. LIVE is a diversified entertainment software supplier, distributor and retailer with headquarters in Los Angeles, and is the parent of Los Angeles-based home video supplier Live Home Video, Minneapolis-based rackjobber Lieberman Enterprises Inc., Massachusetts-based LIVE Specialty Retail Group, which includes Strawberries Records, Tapes and CDs and the Waxie Maxie music chain, and an indirect subsidiary VCL/Carolco Communications GmbH, a home video supplier based in Munich, Germany.

Carolco also owns a 33 percent interest in the Vista Organization Ltd.

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#90346b0114 12/12/1990 ~Business Wire
AMERICAN FORK, UT (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - TEL electronics inc. (NASDAQ:TELS) reported the largest sales quarter in its history, with net sales of $780,334, up 9 percent over the same period in 1989.

Net income for the quarter of $63,328 was down by approximately $44,000 over the same period in 1989, due to expenses related to the introduction and distribution of several new products.

Net sales for the first nine months totaled $2,088,370, an increase of almost 12 percent over the same period in 1989, as the company continued to increase its dealer base. Net income for the first three quarters totaled $41,132, down from 1989 as a result of major start-up expenses and lower margins on new products, and also due to ongoing long-term marketing and sales activities.

Sales, general and administrative expenses were $1,252,585 for the first nine months, representing 60 percent of net sales, compared to 59 percent of sales for the same period in 1989. This increase was due to increased sales expenses. Research and Development expenses of $134,622 for the first nine months of 1990 compared with $204,139 for the same period in 1989, reductions occurring in order to emphasize the introduction and marketing of 1990's new products.

''This has been a major diversification year for TEL, since most new products and new processes have been involved with new markets. The diversification is going well and sales growth has been realized form the onset in these new areas. The real fruits of these efforts, including major sales increases and increased profits, should be realized in the near future,'' according to company President Dr. John Gunter.

TEL electronics inc. designs, produces and sells proprietary microprocessor-based telephone call accounting, telephone management, line scanner, voice processing and other systems for use by the lodging industry, professional firms, government and military agencies, as well as general business organizations.

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SAN MATEO, CA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Principal Maturity Trust (NYSE:FPT), a closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers, Inc.

Wednesday announced a monthly dividend of 7.25 cents ($.0725) per share payable on January 15, 1991 to shareholders of record December 31, 1990.

Franklin Advisers, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources, Inc. (NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $44-billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.8 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, Calif. 94404.

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NEWBURY PARK, CA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Semtech Corp. (ASE:SMH) Wednesday announced results for the third quarter ended Oct. 28, 1990.

Revenues were $5,473,000, compared with the previous year of $4,901,000. The company reported a one-time non-operating expense of $300,000, for the discontinuance of operations of Polycore Electronics. Overall, Semtech reported a net loss of $152,000, for the third quarter, compared with a profit of $251,000, in the previous year.

During the quarter, Semtech reported the acquisition of Lambda Semiconductors in Corpus Christi, Texas. The decision to close Polycore Electronics stemmed from Semtech's desire to utilize the Corpus Christi and Reynosa, Mexico, manufacturing sites in the future. Semtech will operate the Corpus Christi business as a wholly owned subsidiary called Semtech Corpus Christi. Semtech stated that it expects to return to profitability in the fourth quarter.

New orders of $5,911,000 were reported in the third quarter compared with $5,260,000, in the second quarter and $4,177,000, in the third quarter of the previous year. Semtech announced that its book-to-bill ratio for the first nine months was 1.14. A spokesman for the company noted the company has seen a substantial change in product mix for new orders.

Commercial and industrial product orders have decreased while military and aerospace products have increased. Semtech stated that starting in the fourth quarter it intends to place greater emphasis on commercial and industrial product sales to highlight the products manufactured in Corpus Christi. The company said it expects to be shipping at a substantially higher rate than incoming new orders from the Corpus Christi facility during the fourth quarter.

Semtech announced it has nearly completed a restructuring of its sales organization. Semtech's customer base has more than doubled in the past two months and the company has established a network of manufacturers' representatives and distributors to provide the necessary sales coverage.

Semtech reported it spent nearly $1.2 million on the Lambda Semiconductors acquisition, including the purchase price, in the third quarter and expects to spend, approximately, an additional $200,000 in the fourth quarter. Overall, however, the company expects to generate positive cash flow for the fourth quarter.

Semtech was founded in 1960 and is a leading international manufacturer of high quality power rectifiers, transient voltage suppressors, high voltage monolithic capacitors, voltage regulators, analog integrated circuits, power hybrids and related devices. Semtech focuses its efforts on producing these precision components for military and commercial customers.

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SAUSALITO, CA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Autodesk (NASDAQ/NMS:ACAD) in collaboration with James Gleick, author of the best-selling book ''Chaos - Making a New Science,'' has released James Gleick's CHAOS: The Software.

Available at an affordable price, this interactive graphics product offers six different programs that graphically present, in stunning high-resolution color and sound, many of the chaotic systems discussed in Gleick's book.

''The ideas and discoveries of chaos benefit from a kind of illustration that can't be put into a conventional book,'' said James Gleick. ''This program will let people explore chaos for themselves in an interactive, hands-on way.'' Owners can customize each program, tweaking and fine-tuning constantly changing graphical patterns that model various applications of chaos theory in nature.

''CHAOS can be viewed as an educational activity that lets customers recreate the computer experiments that led to the discoveries of chaos theory,'' said Cynthia Harris, manager of Autodesk's Science Series products.

''In addition to being a powerful tool for scientists and educators, CHAOS is a fun, interactive experience for everyone.''

CHAOS images can also be used as graphics in multimedia presentations created with Autodesk Animator, Autodesk 3D Studio and other programs that support the .GIF file format.

James Gleick's CHAOS: The Software lets customers play with the chaotic dance of magnets attracting and repelling a pendulum, create fractal images of mountains, clouds and planets, and explore the strange chaotic patterns discovered by scientists Lorenz, Henon, Yorke and Mandelbrot such as The

Butterfly Effect, Strange Attractors and theories of Self Similarity and Repeated Geometry.

Available for a suggested retail price of $59.95, James Gleick's CHAOS: The Software joins Rudy Rucker's Cellular Automata Lab as the second of a new family of inexpensive, science-related products from Autodesk. International prices for the product may vary.

''Autodesk's family of science applications is committed to placing the power and excitement of experimental mathematics into the hands of millions of nonspecialists through the medium of the desktop personal computer,'' said John Walker, an Autodesk founder.

The system requirements for James Gleick's CHAOS: The Software are: IBM PC/XT/AT, PS/2 or 100 percent compatible hard disk or dual-floppy systems with 640KB RAM, MS-DOS /PC-DOS 2.0, or higher IBM EGA and enhanced graphics monitor or IBM VGA with color monitor.

Autodesk Inc. develops, markets and supports a family of computer-aided design engineering and animation software products for desktop computers and workstations. For more information call 415/331-0356 or GO ADESK on CompuServe.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Burson-Marsteller, the international public relations/public affairs firm, announced Wednesday the formation of the Mahoney Communications Division.

Jim Mahoney -- president of his own firm, Mahoney Communications Inc. for more than 30 years -- will serve as president of the new group which has offices in Los Angeles and New York.

The Mahoney unit enhances and expands Burson-Marsteller's existing entertainment marketing and publicity capability. In addition, Mahoney -- whose experience and business interests extend to a variety of corporate and sports-related activities -- also will serve a broad-based business development role for the firm.

''We're very excited about the entertainment capabilities that Jim and his people bring to us,'' said Albert J. Tortorella, Burson-Marsteller's executive vice president and western region manager. ''We believe Jim will be of even greater value to us in the development of existing and new business in other areas of public relations, particularly marketing and corporate

communications.''

Mahoney also will serve as an executive vice president of Burson-Marsteller.

''I'm pleased about this integration of talents, clients and capabilities,'' said Mahoney. ''For 30 years my company focused on a specific kind of account and service to clients, while intentionally maintaining a moderate size. Now, we're able to offer more services to our clients through Burson-Marsteller's worldwide network and at the same time retain our strong bi-coastal presence.''

Burson-Marsteller is one of the largest communications and counseling firms with 2,300 employees in 50 offices worldwide.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Lee Zuckerman joined Western United National Bank, Los Angeles, as senior vice president and will oversee the bank's new Construction Loan Department.

Zuckerman has been involved in the real estate industry for over 15 years and was most recently with First Pacific Bank in charge of their Construction Loan Department. ''This represents a new and significant step in the growth of our bank,'' said Steven I. Fried, president and chief executive officer.

With headquarters in West Los Angeles, Western United National Bank is an independent bank catering to the lower-middle market wholesale banking customer.

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PALO ALTO, CA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - ALZA Corp. (ASE:AZA) and Bio-Electro Systems Inc. (BES), both of Palo Alto, announced that effective Thursday, Dec. 13, ALZA warrants to acquire one share of ALZA Class A common stock, exercisable at $30 per share, and shares of BES Class A common stock, will begin trading separately on the American Stock Exchange under the trading symbols AZA.WS and BIE, respectively.

Until the close of trading Wednesday, Dec. 12, these securities traded together as ALZA/BES units.

Under a contract with BES, ALZA performs research and development for BES and receives payment from BES for work performed. ALZA has an option to license products from BES and also has the option to acquire all BES Class A common stock.

ALZA Corp. is a drug delivery systems company focusing on the development, manufacture and marketing of a broad range of pharmaceutical products based on ALZA's proprietary technologies. ALZA's therapeutic systems provide for rate-controlled, programmed administration of medication for both human and veterinary applications.

Bio-Electro Systems Inc. is developing drug delivery systems utilizing electrotransport and bioerodible polymer drug delivery technologies, and intends to commercialize, most likely through licensing, pharmaceutical products based on these systems.

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CANOGA PARK, CALIF (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - New Image Industries Inc. (NMS:NIIS) Wednesday announced that it has entered into a letter of intent with a privately held company to purchase substantially all of such company's assets, which primarily consist of rights to an intra-oral camera for use in

the cosmetic dentistry and dental market.

The privately owned company has only recently begun to market its camera, and sales have not been significant to date.

New Image has agreed to acquire the assets for approximately $1 million to be paid in cash at the closing. New Image will also issue an aggregate of 250,000 shares of its common stock to certain shareholders and principal officers of seller in consideration of a covenant not to compete.

The company expects the closing of this acquisition to occur during the week of Dec. 17. However, the closing is subject to substantial conditions, including the negotiation and execution of a definitive purchase agreement, and no assurance can therefore be given that the acquisition will in fact occur.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Norcen Energy Resources Ltd. announced Wednesday that quarterly dividends of 15 cents (Cdn.) per share on both the Multiple Voting Ordinary Shares (NCN) and the Subordinate Voting Ordinary Shares (NCN.A), and 50.75 cents (Cdn.) per share on the Series A, First Preference Shares (NCN.F) have been declared payable on March 1, 1991, to shareholders of record on Feb. 13, 1991.

CONTACT: Norcen Energy Resources Ltd., Calgary Ron Burrows, 403/231-0107

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ALBANY, NY (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - At the Dec. 11 meeting, the board of directors of National Savings Bank of Albany declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 30 cents per common share.

The dividend is payable on Jan. 14, 1991 to shareholders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

In another action, Charles M. Cronin, executive vice president-Operations of National Savings Bank, was elected a director of the bank. Cronin, 35, joined the bank in 1986 and has served as executive vice president since Sept. 1990. He served as senior vice president from June to Sept. 1990 and as vice president from 1986 to 1990. Cronin filled an existing vacancy on the board and will serve for a term expiring at National's 1993 annual meeting of shareholders.

National Savings Bank of Albany is an FDIC insured regional savings bank with eight offices serving northeastern New York from the capital district to the Canadian border. The stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol NSBA.

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LONGMONT, CO (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - PrairieTek Corp., inventor and manufacturer of the first 2.5-inch hard disk drive, and Kobe Steel Ltd. of Japan, announce that Kobe has made a second major investment in PrairieTek.

Kobe made its first investment of $5 million in June 1990. This most recent agreement brings the total investment to $19 million and gives Kobe a 24 percent interest in outstanding voting securities of the company as well as a seat on PrairieTek's board of directors.

As a result of this investment, PrairieTek will be able to maintain its position as a market leader in 2.5-inch disk drives and strengthen its production capabilities during a period of rapid growth including the establishment of a Singapore operation early in 1991.

Demand for small drives is expected to triple over the next two years as more system manufacturers announce notebook size computers with built-in hard disk drives.

PrairieTek drives are particularly suited for battery powered portable systems because of the ruggedness provided by a patented ramp head loading mechanism, exceptional light weight and low power requirements of less than one watt.

For Kobe Steel the capital investment further strengthens their commitment to the data storage equipment business, which the company regards as one of the key areas for its diversification strategy.

Kobe Steel Ltd. is a multi-billion dollar Japanese company and one of the world's largest producers of iron, aluminum and copper. It is also a highly diversified enterprise, with products and services ranging from machinery and plant engineering to new materials and a growing array of electronic products.

This year Kobe Steel Ltd. established KTI Semiconductor Ltd. in Japan in cooperation with Texas Instruments and has entered into the semiconductor business.

According to Dave Riegel, PrairieTek's president and chief executive officer: ''PrairieTek is very fortunate to have Kobe as a significant investment

partner. We will benefit greatly from Kobe's involvement in our business and will use this new capital for major expansion over the next year.''

PrairieTek Corp., a privately held company, was founded in 1986. The company provides original equipment manufacturers of notebook and laptop computers with rugged, high performance, low power 2.5-inch hard disk drives.

PrairieTek Corp. is headquartered at 1830 Lefthand Circle in Longmont, and has manufacturing facilities in Longmont and contract manufacturing with Alps Electric in Japan.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - G-III Apparel Group, Ltd. (GIII/NASDAQ) today reported sales and earnings for the first quarter ended October 31, 1990.

For the first fiscal quarter sales increased 7.5% to $57.8 million from $53.8 million last year. Net income was $2.3 million, or $0.38 per share compared with $3.8 million, or $0.81 a year ago. Average shares outstanding for the quarter ended October 31, 1990 were 6.1 million, a 32.6% increase over the 4.6 million in the comparable period last year.

G-III Apparel Group designs, manufactures and markets an extensive range of women's and men's leather apparel including coats, jackets, pants, skirts and other sportswear items. The products are sold under the names G-III, Siena and Cayenne, as well as private labels. The Company recently launched a textile apparel division under the J.L Colebrook label.

G-III Apparel Group Ltd.
Financial Highlights
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)
Unaudited
Three Months Ended
Oct. 31

	1990	1989
Sales	$ 57,827	$ 53,778
Operating profit	4,598	7,470
Net income	2,331	3,780
Earnings per share	$ 0.38	$ 0.81
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	6,144,431	4,644,431

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DENVER (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Crown Resources Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:CRRS; VcSE:CRO) Wednesday reported spectacular drilling results on the Crown Jewel property in northeastern Washington.

Core hole D-46 intersected 130 feet grading 1.257 ounces gold/ton starting at the surface. This hole was drilled 40 feet west of an earlier hole that intersected 75 feet grading 0.577 ounces gold/ton from 25 to 100 feet in depth.

It now appears that the previously reported high-grade results, located approximately 1,000 feet to the southwest, join with the published geologic gold reserve of 8.3 million tons grading 0.102 ounces gold/ton to form a single, large mineralized system.

Drill holes 373 and 394, which intersected 125 feet grading 0.397 ounces gold/ton and 35 feet grading 0.727 ounces gold/ton, confirm the connection of these two areas.

The southwest extension zone is higher grade than the original reserve area and is entirely open over a 1,500-foot length, to the south, southwest and west. Drill hole 407, which is a 300-foot step-out to the south, intersected 30 feet grading 0.477 ounces gold/ton.

The attached table highlights previously unreported in-fill and step-out drilling results that will be incorporated into new ore reserve calculations currently in progress.

The 9,000-acre Crown Jewel property is currently optioned to Battle Mountain Gold Co. Under this agreement, Battle Mountain has until Jan. 4, 1991, to exercise its option to acquire a 51 percent interest in the Crown Jewel property by paying Crown a further $5 million and by bringing the property into production.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Great Western Financial Corp. Wednesday announced that it will withdraw from the real estate brokerage business by Jan. 31, 1991.

The company noted that its decision to close its real estate brokerage subsidiary, Great Western Real Estate, will have no material impact on its financial statements.

The company said the decision is consistent with its current direction, to refocus on its core businesses -- residential mortgage lending and retail banking. Nor has the subsidiary met Great Western's profitability objectives on a consistent basis since it was acquired in 1983.

Great Western Real Estate was created as a result of the acquisitions of Walker & Lee, an Orange County-based company and Western National Realtors, a Sacramento, Calif.-based firm.

Great Western Real Estate has an administrative headquarters in Yorba Linda, Calif., and 25 branch offices with approximately two employees at each office, in addition to real estate agents who are independent contractors.

Closing the unit will have no effect on the home mortgage lending operations of Great Western Bank, which has originated more than $10 billion in home mortgage loans for the 1990 year to date.

Great Western Financial is the holding company of a real estate-oriented, retail bank and is one of the nation's leading residential mortgage lenders. It operates more than 1,000 retail banking, mortgage lending and consumer finance offices in 31 states. It has assets of $42 billion.

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NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FL (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Intensive Care, Inc. 1/8NASDAQ/NMS:HICI (common stock) and HICIW (warrants)3/8, a leading provider of high-tech home health care products and services, Wednesday announced that Michael Elfenbein has been named Chief Operating Officer, a newly created position.

From 1984 through 1987, Elfenbein, age 45, had been in the Durable Medical Equipment/Respiratory Therapy Division of Foster Medical Corporation, a subsidiary of Avon Products.

As Executive Vice President of the Eastern Region, he was responsible for 70 branch locations which together generated $70 million in revenues. Before that, he was a principal of Kagle Home Health Services, Inc., a pre-eminent independent home health care company in New York, which was sold to Foster

Medical in 1984. Most recently, he served as a director and/or officer of a number of privately held companies.

Elfenbein, a Certified Public Accountant, started his career at Arthur Young and Co. He joined Sky Chefs, Inc., a division of American Airlines, as Assistant Corporate Controller. He later joined Americana Hotels, Inc., a subsidiary of American Airlines, initially as Assistant Vice President of Finance, being subsequently promoted to Corporate Vice President/Controller.

Elfenbein, who received his undergraduate degree from New York University in 1967, served in the United States Army, earning the final rank as First Lieutenant.

James P. Cefaratti, President and Chief Executive Officer of Home Intensive Care, stated, ''Mr. Elfenbein, a seasoned executive, brings to our Company his extensive experience and a successful track record in the home health care industry. We welcome him to our executive team and are confident that he will make important and lasting contributions to our growth.''

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DALLAS (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - American Telecommunications Corp. (NASDAQ:AMTTF) announced Wednesday that it will complete its redomicilation from British Columbia into Delaware effective Dec. 13, 1990.

The company's name will change to ATC Inc. and its trading symbol on NASDAQ will change to ''ATCI''.

Shareholders are urged to send in their stock certificates and letter of transmittal to the company's new transfer agency, First City Texas-Dallas, c/o Mellon Securities, 120 Broadway, 33rd Floor, New York, New York 10271, for re-issuance of their stock certificates under the company's new name.

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#90346b0637 12/12/1990 ~Business Wire
PHOENIX (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) has signed an agreement with the federal government and the Military Airlift Command (MAC) to provide charter air service for Operation Desert Shield.

MAC will charter an America West Boeing 747 for four missions between Dec. 11 and Dec. 16, 1990. The airline will transport U.S. troops from bases in North Carolina and California to the Middle East.

Boby Byrd, America West's director of contract services, said: ''America West operates four Boeing 747-200 aircraft on routes between Honolulu and our hubs at Phoenix and Las Vegas. The charter flights will use one 747 which we had been using as an operational spare and will not impact our daily operation.''

Byrd noted that each flight will carry 360 military troops and a crew of 21 America West employees.

America West, the nation's No. 1 carrier in on-time performance, operates a fuel-efficient fleet of 104 aircraft including Boeing 747s, 757s, 737s and de Havilland Dash 8s. The carrier recently acquired up to 118 Airbus A320s and will operate 16 of the new aircraft by mid-1991.

America West offers convenient service with more than 650 daily flights from coast to coast and across the Pacific to Hawaii.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - International Cablecasting Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:TUNE) Tuesday announced that it has reached MSO agreements with Western Communications and Bresnan Communications for carriage of Digital Music Express (DMX), ICT's 30-channel premium digital audio service.

According to ICT President W. Thomas Oliver: ''We are delighted to welcome these new affiliates to the growing DMX family. As of this year's Western Cable Show, ICT now has MSO affiliation agreements representing more than 17 million subscribers across the country.''

Terms of these agreements call for DMX to be launched initially by Western Communications in its San Francisco Bay Area system complex, which includes South San Francisco and Concord, Calif., and Bresnan's Escanaba, Mich., system.

According to Oliver, the addition of the Western Communications systems adds

to the DMX presence in the Bay Area where it is also launching in Viacom's San Francisco system and UAE's Walnut Creek system.

Western Communications is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Chronicle Co., owners of the San Francisco Chronicle. Bresnan Communications, a medium-sized MSO, is currently an affiliate of Superadio, the basic cable audio venture of ICT and Jones International.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Wednesday announced a two-cent decrease in the domestic spot selling price of electrolytic copper. Its new price, which is effective immediately, is $1.15 per pound for cathodes on a delivered basis.

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#90346b0644 12/12/1990 ~Business Wire
CINCINNATI (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Cincinnati Bell Inc. (NYSE:CSN) today announced it has signed a definitive agreement to acquire Federal Information Technologies, Inc. (FIT) of Fairfax, Virginia.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

FIT is a privately held systems integration, engineering and development company specializing in communications and computer systems. The company also provides local and wide area network (LAN/WAN) support as well as support for the federal government in its communications systems acquisition efforts.

Formed in 1987, FIT will operate as part of Cincinnati Bell Information System's (CBIS) new Systems Integrations Group (SIG). CBIS is the information management subsidiary of Cincinnati Bell Inc. The acquisition supports CBIS's recent decision to expand its systems integration efforts. Effective January 1, 1991, CBIS will consolidate its Federal, Strategic Management Services, and Composed Applications business units, along with FIT, into the SIG.

''FIT provides a much needed piece in our plan to leverage the capabilities of the various CBIS units and enables us to move into larger markets in the systems integration area,'' said D.H. Hibbard, Cincinnati Bell Inc. chairman and chief executive officer.

SIG will provide consulting, systems integration and network management functions to the federal government, financial services, and communications firms. Services will include project management, software design and implementation, imaging and document engineering, facility management, and network integration.

CBIS is a worldwide information services company that develops management systems for telecommunications, government, and financial customers.

Cincinnati Bell Inc. companies supply telecommunications, information management, telemarketing and related marketing services. Product lines include information systems development, data processing and systems consulting, software development, discount long distance telecommunications, market research, electronic database services, telecommunications equipment supply and repair.

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BLUE BELL, PA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. Wednesday announced that Sunshine Biscuits, one of the nation's largest producers of cookie and cracker products, has taken delivery of a dual-processor A16 mainframe, peripherals and service worth $5 million to support its growing business needs.

The A16 Model 522 (two Instruction Processors, two I/O Processors) has assumed the role of central production system, supporting Sunshine's manufacturing, LINC based sales/marketing and financial applications.

The Unisys A10-HX mainframe system that formerly served in that capacity will be used for application development and disaster recovery (off-site).

Sunshine also acquired mass data storage peripherals, CP 2000 communications processors and project management services from Unisys. Robert J. Matson, Vice President of Information Systems for Sunshine Biscuits, said that the new Unisys systems will meet the higher end-user demand for data processing and applications support as the company continues to grow its business.

''In addition to allowing Sunshine the functionality of on-site redundancy, the 1/8A16 Model 522 3/8 dual-processor configuration also gives us the processing throughput needed at peak periods,'' said Matson.

''The A16 was installed and operating MCP/AS (system software) within 24 hours

and our planned (application program) migration went without a failure.''

Sunshine uses Unisys BNA data communications and Timeplex fractional T1 (hybrid voice and data) wide-area networking (WAN) systems to connect the company's five bakeries and one dairy facility.

The backbone is built around nine Unisys CP2000 communications processors (Physical Unit Type 4/5 devices) and Timeplex LINK/2+ multiplexers and it currently includes over 300 Unisys BTOS workstations.

Headquartered in Woodbridge, N.J., Sunshine Biscuits Inc. has been baking cookies and crackers for nearly 90 years. The company, establishing itself as an innovator in consumer health concerns, promises to provide great-tasting, high-quality products to its valued consumers.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Jeffrey Sharlach has been promoted to executive vice president of the Rowland Worldwide headquarters group in New York.

He had joined the company as senior vice president in February 1989.

Sharlach's responsibilities include coordinating multinational and transnational new business efforts among the firm's offices, as well as marketing and internal and external communications management for the worldwide company. He will continue to report directly to Herbert L. Rowland, chairman and CEO of Rowland Worldwide.

Prior to joining Rowland, Sharlach held senior management positions at Burson-Marsteller and Carl Byoir & Associates.

Rowland Worldwide is the world's fifth largest public relations firm, with 34 offices on five continents. An independent operating unit of Saatchi & Saatchi Co. Plc, the firm employs more than 750 people with annualized fee income of $50 million.

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MARLBORO, MA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Damark International, a major catalog

mail order company has chosen a Sequoia Series 300 computer system to improve customer service and meet rapid growth requirements.

The Sequoia system will be used in nearly all facets of Damark's $200 million mail order catalog business, including on-line order entry, credit card verification, distribution, inventory control and billing. About 370 Damark users will be on-line at its national headquarters in Minneapolis.

DeMarquis Walls, Damark's vice president of MIS, explained that rapid customer response and the ability to meet the expected greater demands of future sales were the overriding factors in the consideration of a new computer system. He said, ''When you have nearly 400 people depending on an on-line system there's no question that performance and continuous availability in our Pick environment are key, and Sequoia won hands down on both issues.

Sequoia won the bid for the sale in a competitive series of benchmarks designed to simulate Damark's requirements. Damark previously used a Stratus computer system, which they have replaced with the Sequoia system. With all of Damark's applications now transferred onto the multiprocessing Sequoia system, Walls reports that exceptional performance levels have been achieved.

Sequoia's flexible networking capabilities allowed the easy integration into Darmark's existing communications system. The Sequoia system will be connected via bisynchronous communications lines to IBM mainframes at a service bureau for credit card verifications. The Sequoia system is also based on the UNIX operating system and runs Pick as a database application.

About 70 percent of Damark's sales are taken over the phone. The company sells a wide variety of consumer and electronic products through a 64-page catalog and ads in national periodicals. Customers use 800 number lines, and Damark customer service representatives capture the orders using terminals. They are able to determine whether the selected items are in stock and verify delivery schedules. Credit card sales are also verified and the orders are sent to the distribution department for delivery. The computer system is the hub of nearly all company operations.

Sequoia Systems Inc. designs, manufactures and markets fault-tolerant systems to serve the on-line transaction processing (OLTP) needs of companies. Sequoia's sytems have an open architecture adhering to industry standards and a UNIX operating system. The company is also a significant provider of systems with the Pick Open Architecture. Sequoia provides on-line service and maintenance support to its worldwide customer base. Major customers include manufacturers, distributors, banks and financial institutions, insurance companies, telecommunications operations, and federal agencies. Sequoia (SEQS) is a publicly-held company which is traded on NASDAQ.

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or
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AKRON, OH (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - United Rubber Workers Local 890 at General Tire's Bryan, Ohio, tire production facility ratified a new three-year collective bargaining agreement.

The new pact provides for a wage increase over three years of 50 cents, across-the-board pension increases, improvements in health care and life insurance benefits, and retention of the current profit-sharing COLA plan.

The wage provision calls for a 30 cents increase the first year and 10 cents in each of the remaining two years.

The company will increase the pension benefit by $3.50 per month per year of service.

With a workforce of approximately 400 hourly and salaried employees, the Bryan plant produces bias giant, rear farm, heavy truck off-highway, and industrial tires. Applications for Bryan's product lines include mining, forestry, construction and farming industries.

General Tire is the largest unit of the Continental Tire Group of Germany, the fourth largest tire manufacturer in the world.

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#90346b0673 12/12/1990 ~Business Wire
CAMBRIDGE, MA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Wednesday announced it will ship a fully translated Russian version of Lotus 1-2-3 in the U.S.S.R. by the end of the year.

The company also made several announcements regarding its market activities in the Soviet Union.

Lotus has appointed VNIPI StatInform as its first Soviet distributor. In addition, the Leningrad International Management Institute has been named the first Lotus Authorized Training Center in the U.S.S.R. Lotus also announced it will open a Soviet sales office in the first quarter of 1991. It will be managed by Jane Kitson, who was recently appointed business development manager for the U.S.S.R.

''The Soviet market represents both a significant opportunity and a challenge for Lotus,'' said Steve Crummey, senior vice president of Lotus' International Business Group. ''Currently there are an estimated 300,000 PC users in the Soviet Union. As the price of PCs in the U.S.S.R. drop and their availability increases, the number of users is expected to grow significantly.

''At the same time, the country's economy is in upheaval and conducting business under these conditions is difficult, especially for a foreign company. VNIPI StatInform's existing infrastructure will assist us in making this transition easier.''

According to Esther Dyson, a leading U.S. expert on the Soviet computer industry, spreadsheets will be a fast-growing segment of the Soviet PC software market. ''Until now, word processing and databases had a higher share of the software applications market in the Soviet Union than spreadsheets. As the economy loosens up and the need for financial analysis grows, the demand for spreadsheets will increase significantly,'' Dyson said.

Product to be Distributed Through State Organization

VNIPI StatInform, formally known as the All-Union Research, Development and Project Institute of the Statistical Information System of the U.S.S.R. State Committee for Statistics, is a leader in applications development, database management systems, and telecommunications projects in statistical, accounting and financial areas for all sectors of the Soviet economy.

With more than 5,000 employees, VNIPI StatInform has fully developed infrastructure for distributing Lotus products throughout the Soviet Union. In addition to reselling the Russian version of Lotus 1-2-3 Release 2.2, the Institute will work with Soviet computer manufacturers to bundle 1-2-3 with Soviet-produced computers. VNIPI StatInform will also use 1-2-3 for the development of specific functions and applications.

''Lotus fully understands the business climate and the cultural differences of our market,'' said J.A. Micheev, director of VNIPI StatInform. ''By developing a full language version that allows users to work in their language Lotus has met the needs and demands of the Soviet market.'' First Lotus Authorized Training Center in USSR

The Leningrad International Management Institute (LIMI) will use Lotus 1-2-3 as the basis for a training program for both Soviet and international business professionals in the fields of international business economics, management and finance.

''We are excited to be working with Lotus, the leading vendor of business software solutions worldwide,'' said Dr. Anton O. Artemyev, deputy director of programs for LIMI. ''The establishment of the first Lotus Authorized Training

Center in the U.S.S.R. is an important initial step in training the growing number of PC users in the Soviet Union.''

Lotus Development Corp. (NASDAQ:LOTS), founded in 1982, develops, markets and supports business software and CD-ROM databases that helps users access, analyze, communicate and share information. The company's first product, Lotus 1-2-3, is the most popular personal computer software program in the world with more than 14 million users.

Lotus markets its broad range of products in more than 65 countries and offers users comprehensive support options, including 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week support in the U.S. for PC versions of its 1-2-3 spreadsheet.

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STATEN ISLAND, NY (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Gateway Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:GBAN), the holding company for Gateway State Bank, Staten Island, announced Wednesday that at the December regular meeting of its board of directors the board declared a 15 cent per share cash dividend on its common stock payable on Jan. 9, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 2, 1991.

CONTACT: Gateway Bancorp Inc., Staten Island
Richard J. Conti, 718/979-4000

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GUERNSEY, CHANNEL ISLANDS (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Insituform Group Limited (NASDAQ National Market System: IGLSF (shares) and IGLWF (warrants)) Wednesday announced financial results for the 1990 third quarter and nine months ended September 30, 1990. In US Dollars Under US GAAP

The corresponding results expressed in U.S. Dollars under US GAAP are shown on the following table. The translation is solely for convenience and should not be construed as a representation that the Pounds Sterling amounts actually represent or could be converted into U.S. Dollars at the rate indicated.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$12,461,171	$12,013,006	$31,436,420	$24,018,352
Operating Profit	746,537	1,254,121	1,066,740	1,781,551

Net income/(loss)	$(54,806)	$789,503	$(776,890)	$881,265
Net income (loss) per ordinary share	$(.01)	$.08	$(.08)	$.09
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	10,017,483	10,269,421	10,215,847	10,217,898

In UK Pounds Sterling Under UK GAAP

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	6,059,885	7,421,447	15,934,607	15,023,366
Operating Profit	262,122	739,887	377,156	1,155,318
Net income/(loss)	(124,177)	467,167	(558,246)	598,200
Net income (loss) per ordinary share	(.01)	.05	(.06)	.06
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	9,923,833	9,781,082	9,912,654	9,753,193

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by
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Linda Latman, 212/836-9609 or,
Jeanine Morley, 212/836-9610

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NORTHVALE, NJ (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - John H. Klein, president and chief executive officer of Zenith Laboratories Inc. (NASDAQ:ZENL), a New Jersey based pharmaceutical company, announced that it had entered into a lending arrangement for up to $10 million with Mellon Bank (East) Asset Based Lending Group.

The arrangement will allow Zenith to pay down existing bank loans ahead of schedule and to provide additional working capital. Klein stated, ''I am pleased that the company was able to arrange this facility which should enable it to continue its growth and play an increasingly important role in the Generic Pharmaceutical Industry.''

CONTACT: Zenith Laboratories Inc., Northvale
R.M. Shepperd, 201/767-1700

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Blackstone Target Term Trust Inc.

December 1990 monthly update:

DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

Amount	Payable Date	Record Date	Declaration Date
$ 0.0792	Dec. 20, 1990	Dec. 13, 1990	Dec. 3, 1990

Portfolio Databank (As of 11/30/90)

Portfolio Composition	Current Percentage
Mortgage pass-throughs	22 pct
Multiple Class Mortgage Pass-Throughs	10 pct
Stripped Mortgage-Backed Securities	5 pct
CMO Residuals	25 pct
Zero Coupon Bonds	31 pct
Municipal Bonds and High Quality Money Market Securities	6 pct
Asset Backed Securities	1 pct

Performance Update

	Nov. 30	Oct. 31	Sept. 28
NAV	$9.46	$9.24	$9.08
Stock Price	$10.13	$9.75	$9.75

	On Initial Offering Price ($10.00)	On Nov. 30 Stock Price ($10.13)
Annualized Distribution Rate	9.50 pct	9.39 pct
Annualized Bond Equivalent Distribution Rate	9.69 pct	9.58 pct

The Blackstone Target Term Trust Inc. is a closed-end fund whose primary objective is to generate high monthly income using high quality mortgage securities and return $10 pershare to investors on Dec. 31, 2000. The Trust is rated AAAf by Standard and Poor's Corp. The Trust is advised by Blackstone Financial Management L.P., a registered investment adviser based in New York. Additional information on the Trust's assets and performance will be available later this month in the Annual Report for the year ended Oct. 31, 1990. For further information on the Trust, call 212/214-3332.

CONTACT: The Blackstone Target Term Trust Inc., New York
212/214-3332

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Blackstone Income Trust Inc. December 1990 monthly update:

DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION:

Amount	Payable Date	Record Date	Declaration Date
$ 0.0875	Dec. 20, 1990	Dec. 13, 1990	Dec. 3, 1990

Portfolio Databank (As of 11/30/90)

Portfolio Composition	Current Percentage
Mortgage pass-throughs	40 pct
Multiple Class Mortgage Pass-throughs	19 pct
Stripped Mortgage-Backed Securites	9 pct
CMO Residuals	25 pct
Asset Backed Securities	6 pct
High Quality Money Market Securities	1 pct

Performance Update

	Nov. 30	Oct. 31	Sept. 28
NAV	$8.63	$8.50	$8.35
Stock Price	$8.88	$8.25	$7.75

	On Initial Offering Price ($10.00)	On Nov. 30 Stock Price ($8.88)
Annualized Distribution Rate	10.50 pct	11.83 pct
Annualized Bond Equivalent Distribution Rate	10.73 pct	12.13 pct

General Overview

The Blackstone Income Trust Inc. is a closed-end fund whose primary objective is the generate high monthly income using high quality mortgage securities.

The Trust is advised by Blackstone Financial Management L.P., a registered investment adviser based in New York. Additional information of the Trust's assets and performance will be available later this month in the Annual Report for the year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: The Blackstone Income Trust Inc., New York
212/214-3332

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - American Body Armor & Equipment (NASDAQ:ABAE), a leading manufacturer of protective equipment of ''body armor'', Wednesday announced that another law enforcement agent has been saved

by one of its bullet-resistant vests.

On Dec. 6, Danny Norton, an agent at the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics, was saved by his ABA vest during a drug arrest in which he was shot from a range of approximately 5 feet with a .22-caliber Magnum.

American Body Armor vests have saved the lives of approximately 200 officers nationwide. ABA also reports that in all incidents in which ABA vests have been shot by bullets in real life situations, ABA vests have never failed to perform and in some cases, have exceeded their ballistic capabilities.

ABA manufactures two basic types of body armor; concealable armor, which is generally intended to be worn beneath the user's clothing, and tactical armor, which is worn externally and is designed to protect against more serious ballistic threats. The model of vest worn in this latest incident is made of multiple layers of Kevlar ballistic fabric, the strongest synthetic fiber available.

In addition to numerous types of bullet-resistant vests, ABA manufactures ballistic raincoats, police jackets, protective face masks and hand-held practical shields, barrier systems, armored vehicles and a new line of high speed patrol boats. ABA also produces bomb suppression pouches, blankets, E.O.D. suits and many other products.

The company's products are sold nationally and internationally, primarily to law enforcement, military and government agencies. ABA has sold products in 5 continents to clients such as:

- A military force involved in the Persian Gulf crisis
- Customs operations worldwide
- An Elite Marine Corps of a European country
- The army and police of a South American country
- Supreme Court Justices of a Latin American country
- Police Units of countries in the Far East and South East Asia

ABA became a publicly traded company in 1989. Currently, ABA is projecting the fourth quarter of 1990 to be the biggest revenue quarter in the company's 20-year history. ABA also has a recorded backlog of orders for its products exceeding $3 million.

All ABA products meet industry standards and criteria set by the federal standards-setting agency, the National Institute of Justice (NIJ).

Hugh Downe, chairman of ABA, and Steve Giordanella, president, are available to comment on ABA, its product line or any questions you may have about the body armor industry.

CONTACT: Edelman Worldwide, New York

Ellie Freedman, 212/704-8103.

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PARAMUS, NJ (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Drivefone Inc. (NASDAQ:DFON) announced that the company received Federal Communications Commission (FCC) approval to develop Personal Communications Networks (PCN's) in the cities of New York, Philadelphia and Boston.

The experimental licenses extend through July, 1992. The company expects initial construction and testing of its system during the second half of 1991.

Michael A. Pfeffer, president and chief executive officer of Drivefone, stated ''The potential impact of PCN's is tremendous, and this is where the future is headed. FCC licensing approval places Drivefone among the small number of companies in the forefront of this new form of wireless communications.

''PCN's offer solutions to many of the problems and limitations encountered with present cellular communications,'' Pfeffer continued. ''The plan is to develop PCN's with high transmitter density within sites as small as a few hundred feet, to allow for many times more calls, simultaneously, in a given area.

''The close proximity of cell sites, and the fact that PCN transmission will be at a higher frequency, will provide for a far greater number of subscribers wihtin each network without interference. We expect the costs of PCN equipment and service will eventually be substantially less than current systems, and that the monthly usage cost could be about half that of cellular '' he stated.

A pioneer in cellular phones since 1984, Drivefone Inc. is a national distributor of cellular telephones, accessories and pagers, and manufactures and distributes the LuxCel line of transportable phones, antennas and accessories.

Headquartered in Paramus, N.J., Drivefone Inc. also has a branch office in Waltham, Mass.

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Lee Montellaro, 201/843-6400 ext. 206
or
J. Robin Scott Creative Consultants, Davie, Fla.
James E. Farrell, 305/473-9770

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ATLANTA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Georgia Power Co. has entered into arrangements with Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc., and Merrill Lynch and Co., for an offering of $300 million aggregate principal amount of the company's First Mortgage Bonds, Variable Rate Remarketed Series due 2020.

The six separate series of the Bonds will bear interest at rates ranging from 7.68 percent to 7.77 percent for initial interest periods of 60 to 363 days. The public offering price is 100 percent of principal amount. These bonds are supported by Letters of Credit issued by the Bank of Tokyo Ltd. The closing of the bond sale is scheduled for Dec. 13, 1990.

CONTACT: The Southern Company, New York, F.D. Kuester, (212) 269-8842 or Georgia Power Co., Atlanta, R.J. Pershing, (404) 526-6803.

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - American Healthcare Management Inc. (ASE:AHI) Wednesday announced that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to $2.2 million principal amount of the company's Senior Secured A Notes due December 1995, and up to $1.4 million principal amount of its Senior Secured B Notes due December 1999.

The company stated the amounts to be repurchased are the maximums allowable by the terms of the Indentures covering the Notes.

AHM indicated that the board of directors believes that the repurchasing of the Notes at less than par would be beneficial to the company's stockholders by reducing the amount of debt outstanding. The repurchases are to be accomplished by the end of the year through either negotiated transactions or open market purchases.

American Healthcare Management Inc., headquartered in King of Prussia, owns or leases seventeen hospitals in ten states with approximately 2,200 licensed beds. AHM's common stock is listed on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol AHI.

CONTACT: American Healthcare Management Inc., King of Prussia
Richard McDonald, 215/768-5900

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ENGLEWOOD, NJ (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Medical Nutrition Inc. (NASDAQ:MENU) announced Wednesday that it completed the acquisition of Family Weight Loss Centers Inc., a chain of 50 weight loss centers located in the eight midwestern states.

Family Weight Loss offers a comprehensive weight loss program, combining individualized behavioral and nutritional counseling with private label food products.

Family Weight Loss had revenues of $8.4 million and net operating earnings of $240,000 for its fiscal year ended May 31, 1990 and had revenues of $2.7 million and net operating losses of $362,000 for the five months ended Oct. 31 1990.

For the year ended Jan. 31, 1990, Medical Nutrition had revenues of $2.4 million and net income of $613,000 and for the six months ended July 31, 1990, Medical Nutrition had revenues of $926,000 and net income of $104,000.

Under the terms of the merger agreement, Medical Nutrition issued 1,378,000 shares of common stock and assumed $4 million in principal amount of bank debt payable over five years, commencing November 1992. John M. McGinnis, president of Family Weight Loss and Michael J. Connelly, president of Lepercq Capital Management Inc., have joined the board of directors of Medical Nutrition Inc.

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by
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FORT WORTH, TEXAS (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE:PIR), reported Wednesday that consolidated sales for the 13 week fiscal third quarter ended Dec. 1, increased 10.9% to $145,710,000 from $131,349,000 reported for the 14 week fiscal third quarter that ended Dec. 2, 1989.

Sales from Sunbelt Nursery Group Inc., acquired in late Sept. 1990, contributed $15,538,000 to consolidated sales in the fiscal quarter.

The company stated that for the fiscal quarter ended Dec. 1, comparable store sales for Pier 1 stores decreased 5.0 percent while comparable store sales for Sunbelt stores decreased 0.6 percent.

CONTACT: Pier 1 Imports Inc., Fort Worth
Robert G. Herndon, 817/878-8200
by
Makovsky & Co., New York
Allan E. Jordan/Juliet Singh, 212/532-6300

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CLEVELAND (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Following on its $50,000 donation to the Summit on Manpower in May, 1990, Picker International has announced ''In Support of the Summit,'' a profit donation program designed to provide operating funds to the Summit on Manpower.

The Summit on Manpower is a consortium of 18 national health care organizations formed to develop a long-range solution to the growing shortage of technologists in radiology and sonography.

The current rate of increase in technologists -- about 4,000 to 5,000 per year -- falls well short of the projected 6,000 per year needed, according to the Summit on Manpower.

''We support the Summit strongly because its mission is focused and its goals are based upon solid research. This shortage is real and it its affecting our health care system now. Imaging systems are idle because trained personnel are not available to operate them,'' said Joseph A. Largey, president, Picker Health Care Products Division.

''In Support of the Summit'' encourages Picker customers to become actively involved by requiring them to request that a portion of profit on select products be directed to the Summit.

On a quarterly basis, Picker will make donations to the Summit on Manpower on behalf of customers who participate. The Summit on Manpower will then send an acknowledgement to each customer donor.

''We are excited about this program not only because it will generate operating income for our education programs, but also because it will help generate awareness about the Summit and its goals,'' said Loretta Hanwell, chairman of the Summit.

Initially, a portion of profits will be donated from the sale of these products:

o laser cameras
o remanufactured film processors
o FVS illuminators
o Capintec dose callibrators
o Black Belt lead aprons

Donation amounts vary by product, and range from $5 for Black Belt lead aprons to $300 for laser cameras. Equipment prices are not affected by the program.

Picker was the first company to support the Summit on Manpower with a $50,000 donation in May, 1990. That donation provided the seed money for education

programs on careers in radiologic technology and sonography.

Picker is also the sole sponsor of the Resident Education Program, in which the company donates textbooks to over 1,000 first-year radiology residents across the United States.

Picker International, based in Cleveland, is a $750 million global innovator in the design and manufacture of diagnostic imaging systems including computed tomography (CT), magnetic resonance (MR), nuclear medicine, X-ray and vascular and is North America's largest supplier of radiologic health care products. Picker International is a subsidiary of the General Electric Co. (GEC) p.l.c., of the United Kingdom, a diversified, multi-national corporation with annual sales of $16 billion.

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or
Watt, Roop & Co., Cleveland
Andy Opila, 216/566-7019

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DAYTON, OH (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Super Food Services Inc. (NYSE:SFS) Wednesday held its annual meeting of shareholders in Dayton.

The Class II directors were re-elected for a three-year term to expire at the annual meeting in 1993.

Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Jack Twyman announced the results of the past fiscal year which showed a 5 percent increase in sales and an 8 percent increase in earnings per share as previously announced.

Twyman stated he anticipated that net earnings for the first quarter ended Nov. 17, which are to be released next week would be slightly lower than the comparable period last year. Twyman stated that while earnings for the first quarter have not yet been determined, it is apparent that net earnings for the first quarter will be reduced primarily because of higher fuel costs which have not been passed through to the company's customers, a larger provision for LIFO and smaller than expected sales growth.

Twyman expressed optimism that Super Foods would have a good year and he anticipates continued growth by obtaining new customers and related store development activity. He also announced that the company was going to begin construction of an addition to its Cincinnati distribution center.

On Dec. 12, the company's board of directors approved the regular quarterly dividend on the common shares of eight and one-half cents ($.085) per share

payable March 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Feb. 19, 1991.

CONTACT: Super Food Services Inc., Cincinnati
Robert F. Koogler, 513/439-7500

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LAS VEGAS (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Mr. Anthony A. Marnell, Chairman of the Board of MarCor Resorts, Inc. (MAAR/NASDAQ) today announced that Robert R. Maxey has resigned as an officer and Director of MarCor Resorts, Inc. and all of its affiliated companies effective December 12, 1990.

Mr. Maxey has headed up MarCor's gaming division which has contemplated multiple property operations. Given the lack of capital availability for new gaming properties in the foreseeable future, it is not feasible at this time to proceed with the Company's plans for such multiple property operations. Accordingly, in the opinion of the Company and Mr. Maxey, it is in their mutual best interests to terminate their existing agreement. Mr. Maxey has assured the Company that he will be available for consultation, as needed, to insure a smooth transition. Mr. Anthony A. Marnell, Mr. Lud Corrao and Mr. James A. Barrett, of the Board of Directors of MarCor Resort Properties, Inc., the Company's gaming subsidiary, will assume a more active role in the management of the Rio.

MarCor Resorts, Inc. through a wholly-owned subsidiary, is the principal owner and operator of the first all-suite hotel/casino in the country, the Rio Suite Hotel & Casino, located in Las Vegas. In addition to the Rio, MarCor and controlled entities own 185 acres in the greater Las Vegas area zoned for the development of future gaming resorts and ancillary uses.

CONTACT: MarCor Resorts Inc., Las Vegas
James A. Barrett, 702/739-0173

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MIAMI LAKES, FL (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Preferred Homecare of America (NASDAQ:PFRD), Wednesday announced that AllState Financial Corp. has agreed in principle to establish a $1.5 million line of credit for the company.

The new line will increase the company's available credit to over $2.2 million and will be secured by the company's accounts receivable. The establishment of the line of credit is subject to the negotiation of a definitive agreement and other customary closing conditions. It is anticipated that this transaction will be consummated by the end of this year.

Carlos M. Herrera, president and chief executive officer of Preferred Homecare

stated, ''We believe this line should provide us with the resources necessary to fund our growth and complete several projects undertaken earlier in the year.

''Our ability to secure the agreement in principle for this new line of credit is an indication of the strength and potential of our company and the home infusion therapy industry.

''The new credit line combined with the efforts of S.J. Haupt and Co. to secure $3 to $5 million in debt or equity financing from the European and Asian Financial community on our behalf should enable us to meet our goals for the coming year.''

As previously announced, Preferred signed a letter of agreement with the investment banking firm of S.J. Haupt and Co. in November 1990.

In an unrelated action, Preferred Homecare and American Home IV Care have agreed to delay the announced acquisition of American Home IV Care by Preferred Homecare of America for a minimum of six months.

Preferred Homecare of America and American Home IV Care will, however, enter into a Management and Services Agreement for Preferred Homecare of America to manage the operations of American Home IV Care.

Preferred Homecare of America Inc. is a high-tech home infusion therapy company offering an alternative to in-patient hospital care. The company has offices servicing patients in the metropolitan areas of Miami/Fort Lauderdale, West Palm Beach, Tampa Bay/Pasco County, and Fort Myers, Fla.; Baltimore/Washington; and the New York/New Jersey metropolitan areas.

CONTACT: Preferred Homecare of America Inc., Miami Lakes
Suzan Sattler, 305/362-5123

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Petroleum Corp. (NASDAQ:AIPN) announced Wednesay that it has signed an Association Contract with Empresa Colombiana De Petroleos (''Ecopetrol''), the Colombian National Oil Co., to explore for oil in the Rio Planas area of the Llanos Region of Colombia, South America.

The 959,185 acres exploration area lies immediately North of the recently discovered Rubiales oil field and South of Elf Aquitaine's Remache Sur and Cano Gandul oil fields.

The Rio Planas Area Contract provides for an initial exploration period of 6 years which can be extended for an additional 22 years pending the discovery

of a commercial field.

The company has committed to conduct a geological and geophysical review program for the first year and, at the option of the company, either to drill an exploratory well after processing 100 km of seismic or to complete 250 km of seismic the second year. A work commitment of two exploration wells per year is required for each additional year during the exploration period.

American International Petroleum Corp. is engaged in refining, oil and natural gas exploration, production and transportation, and marketing activities in Louisiana and Kentucky as well as Colombia, South America.

CONTACT: D.H. Waugh & Associates, New York
Donald H. Waugh, 212/944-1853

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CLEVELAND (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of TRW Inc. (NYSE:TRW) Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend of 45 cents per share on the company's outstanding common stock.

It is the 210th consecutive dividend declared on the company's common shares.

The directors also declared regular quarterly dividends of $1.10 per share on the Serial Preference Stock II (Series 1) and $1.125 per share on the Serial Preference Stock II (Series 3).

The dividends are payable on March 15, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business Feb. 8, 1991.

CONTACT: TRW Inc., Cleveland
Franziska Dacek, 216/291-7327

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DALLAS (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Skylink America Inc. (NASDAQ:SKAI) Wednesday announced its results of operations for the second quarter and six months ended Oct. 31.

The company reported the following results of operations:

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31,		Six Months Ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$3,973,031	$3,086,706	$7,196,942	$4,519,880
Net loss	323,951	377,199	455,271	897,942

Loss per share	9 cents	10 cents	12 cents	25 cents

Financial results for the first six months of the prior fiscal year included only four months of revenues and expenses from the acquisition of two free-to-guest programming businesses which have been included in the company's results of operations since July 1, 1989.

The second quarter of the current fiscal year included depreciation and amortization expense of approximately $377,000 compared to approximately $309,000 in the same period of the prior year. Also, the second quarter of the prior year included a tax benefit of $203,000, whereas there was no tax benefit recorded in the second quarter of the current year.

Edward R. McMurphy, president of Skylink America, stated, ''Pre-tax income before depreciation and amortization continues to be positive since consolidating the company's free-to-guest operations previously located in Cherry Hill, N.J., to the company's corporate headquarters in Dallas, thereby reducing duplicate facilities and personnel.

''Also, the second quarter of the current fiscal year included a one-time $91,000 loss on the sale of two cable systems.''

Skylink is engaged in the business of providing free-to-guest and pay-per-view programming services and equipment, as well as developing, operating and selling cable systems.

CONTACT: Skylink America Inc., Dallas
Edward R. McMurphy, 214/352-7561

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of J.P. Morgan & Co. Inc. declared a quarterly dividend of $.49 1/2 per share on the common stock (NYSE:JPM) for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990, payable Jan. 15, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 24, 1990.

This is an 8.8 percent increase over the $.45 1/2 per share quarterly dividend paid since January 1990. Annualized the new dividend is $1.98, compared with $1.82.

The board also declared a dividend on the Adjustable Rate Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A (NYSE: JPM Pr A) at the rate of 5.00 percent per annum and in the amount of $1.25000 per share for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990, payable Dec. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 24, 1990.

CONTACT: J.P. Morgan & Co. Inc., New York

John M. Morris, 212/648-9551 or 203/637-2143 (home)

-30- 1022

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BURLINGTON, MA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Xylogics Inc. (NASDAQ:XLGX) Wednesday announced a net loss and lower revenues for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Revenues of $31,431,000 in fiscal 1990 were 11% lower than revenues of $35,455,000 in fiscal 1989. Net loss for the year was $643,000 or $.26 per share, compared to net income of $2,223,000 or $.81 per share in the previous year.

Fourth quarter 1990 revenues of $6,046,000 were 42% lower than revenues of $10,359,000 in the same quarter in 1989. Net loss for the fourth quarter of 1990 was $1,378,000 or $.60 per share, compared to net income of $652,000 or $.24 per share in 1989.

Headquartered in Burlington, Mass., Xylogics Inc. is a leading supplier of computer I/O and networking products used primarily in the UNIX market.

XYLOGICS INC. FISCAL YEAR AND FOURTH QUARTER OPERATING RESULTS

FISCAL YEAR ENDED OCTOBER	1990	1989
Revenue	$31,431,000	$35,455,000
Net Income (Loss)	($642,980)	$2,223,000
Earnings (Loss) Per Share	($.26)	$.81
Average Shares	2,458,000	2,750,000
FOURTH QUARTER		
Revenues	$6,046,000	$10,359,000
Net Income (Loss)	($1,378,000)	$652,000
Earnings (Loss) Per Share	($.60)	$.24
Average Shares	2,313,000	2,761,000

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NEW HAVEN, CT (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Southern New England Telecommunications Corp. (SNET) -- (NYSE:SNG) -- directors Wednesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 44 cents per share on the common stock of the

company.

The dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991 to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 24.

This is the company's 399th consecutive dividend payment.

Headquartered in New Haven, Conn., SNET is an independent telecommunications company that offers network services, cellular mobile phone service, communications equipment, and information management systems.

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LITTLETON, MA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Alliant Computer Systems Corp. (NASDAQ/ALNT) has achieved the highest LINPACK 1000 rating of any supercomputer in the under $2 million price range.

LINPACK ratings measure and compare the performance of computer systems used primarily in scientific and engineering disciplines. According to the LINPACK benchmark's founder, Jack J. Dongarra of the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, LINPACK measurements have a high percentage of floating- point arithmetic operations which are common to these types of applications.

The LINPACK 1000 is often used on larger computing problems typically solved with supercomputers, since it requires solving over

1000 different variables in 1000 simultaneous equations.

A $1.4 million 14-processor Alliant FX/2800 RISC-based, parallel supercomputer achieved a rating of 295 MFLOPS (millions of floating point operations a second) on the LINPACK 1000 tests published in Dongarra's November 6, 1990 report, Performance of Various Computers Using Standard Linear Equations Software. This compares to 166 MFLOPS for a hl'k-end $2.2 million Convex Computer Corp. C240. Both the Alliant and Convex systems have memory sizes of 256 MBYTES.

Alliant's system achieved 91 percent of the performance of a $3 million Cray Y-MP with one processor, and 25 percent of a $13 million Cray Y-MP four processor model. Results published in the same report indicated 282 MFLOPS and 284 MFLOPS, respectively, on IBM 3090/380J and 3090/300J systems, both with vector processors, both of which are list priced at a minimum of $7 million.

''The LINPACK results prove that supercomputers powered by today's standard RISC microprocessors meet or exceed the performance of traditional proprietary supercomputers. Our FX/2800, using standard 64-bit Intel 860 microprocessors, costs less than $2 million and solves supercomputer-class problems very quickly,'' said John Scanlon, Alliant's vice president of marketing. ''The cost of achieving results is being reduced dramatically.''

Alliant Computer Systems Corp. manufactures standards-based parallel supercomputers with visualization tools that enable scientists and engineew3 to quickly interpret and solve complex problems.

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PITTSBURGH (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Hallwood Industries Inc., (NASDAQ:HWDI), operator of automotive parts distributor Steel City Products, Wednesday announced that its subsidiary A & B Acquisition Corp. has terminated by mutual agreement the letter of intent by which it was to have acquired the assets and assumed most of the liabilities of A & B Auto Supply, Inc. of Albany, New York.

Maarten Hemsley, Hallwood Industries' Chief Financial Officer, said that the parties were unable to conclude definitive agreements, due principally to the recently-announced bankruptcy filing of A & B Auto Supply's largest customer.

Bernard Frank, Chairman of Steel City Products, said that the Company would nevertheless continue its efforts to increase its customer base in the New York and New England markets.

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WOBURN, MA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - NYNEX Mobile Communications, the largest cellular provider in the Northeast, has introduced plans to attract new users to its network through several special offers which are tailored for both business and casual users.

Once considered an amenity strictly for business executives and the wealthy, cellular telephone equipment and service is now becoming affordable to

individuals and smaller companies. Although the cost of cellular equipment has dropped significantly since its introduction in 1984, many consumers maintain the original perception that this technology is expensive.

A recent survey, conducted on behalf of NYNEX Mobile, reported that out of the adults living in the Greater Boston area, 75 percent of potential cellular telephone buyers believe that cellular service costs more than double the actual retail prices offered today.

Gerard P. McEleney, director of marketing for NYNEX Mobile Communications, outlined the company's strategy. ''Research tells us that a substantial number of people want the convenience of cellular communications, but have a false perception that costs are very high. NYNEX Mobile has always been committed to providing quality, affordable cellular equipment and service. These special offers are just our way of introducing cellular to customers at an exceptional price.''

One of NYNEX Mobile's special offers includes a state of the art cellular NYNEX Mobile 832 Plus telephone with standard installation, activation fee, antenna and six months of Plan C service for just $385. This holiday offer, available through Jan. 1, 1991, also includes 30 minutes of usage per month.

NYNEX Mobile Communications Co., a subsidiary of the NYNEX Corp., is the largest cellular provider in the Northeast. With the recent addition of Cape Cod, NYNEX Mobile in New Enland services a 6,500-square-mile region including Boston, Worcester and New Bedford in Massachusetts, as well as part of southern New Hampshire and Providence, R.I.

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BOSTON (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - The Enchanted Village at Jordan Marsh will stay open on weekends through January to accommodate the tremendous public response it has received.

Since its opening on Nov. 23, an estimated 100,000 people have visited the Village.

The Enchanted Village occupies 5,400 square feet of space on the sixth floor of Jordan Marsh's Downtown Crossing location. It is a Victorian New England Village inhabited by dozens of animated figures. The Village includes a row of houses, and a village center with eight shops and a hotel. There is a bakery that smells of gingerbread, a giant pine-scented treehouse inhabited by animated bears, and a skating party where skaters glide across a frozen pond.

Jordan Marsh will keep the Enchanted Village open on weekends only, through the month of January during regular store hours. Although the store will be open the Village will be closed on New Years day.

Overall attendance by the end of January has been estimated at a quarter of million people. Admission to the Village is free to the public. Jordan Marsh will issue time and dated complimentary tickets. They will be given out on a first-come, first-serve basis at the first floor ticket booth on the day that they are to be used. Jordan Marsh predicts a heavy demand and recommends obtaining tickets early in the day.

For additional information regarding the Enchanted Village at Jordan Marsh, please call Shirley Moschella at (617)357-3263.

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LANDOVER, MD (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Herbert H. Haft, chairman of Trak Auto Corp. (NASDAQ:TRKA), announced net income for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990 increased to $665,000, or 12 cents per share compared with $491,000, or 8 cents per share for the same period last year and sales increased 3.9 percent to $75,822,000 from $72,969,000.

Net income for the nine month period ended Oct. 31, 1990 increased to $2,723,000, or 47 cents per share compared to $1,629,000, or 28 cents per share in the same period one year ago, while sales increased 8.9 percent to $219,630,000 from $201,660,000 for the same period last year.

These increases were primarily due to ten net new stores for the three months and 23 net new stores for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 and for a 2.4 percent increase in sales for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 for stores open more than one year. For stores open more than one year, sales decreased 3.3 percent for the three months ended Oct.31, 1990.

Trak Auto Corp. currently operates 331 discount auto parts stores in the Washington, D.C.; Baltimore; Richmond, Va.; Chicago; San Diego and Los Angeles metropolitan areas compared with 305 stores in operation one year ago.

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#90346b0799 12/12/1990 ~Business Wire

MORRISTOWN, NJ (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Computer Systems Thursday announced two major networked computing sales--one to Martin County in Florida and one to Wellmark, Inc., a health information network based in Los Angeles, Calif.

Both sales are based on the AT&T System 7000(TM), a high- performance RISC-based computer that can provide more than 200 transactions per second. Contributing to the system's speed is its symmetric multiprocessing capability which allows any processor to perform any task asked of the computer.

For Martin County, AT&T's solution will be used to network the county's diverse computer systems located in departments spread through the county seat.

Wellmark will use AT&T's networked computing capabilities for its Well-Net health information network, which links patients' insurance companies and employers, hospitals and clinics, doctors offices and the third-party administrators and government agencies involved in processing health care claims.

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LANDOVER, MD (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert M. Haft, president of Crown Books Corp., (NASDAQ: CRWN), announced net income for the three month period ended Oct. 31, was $1,284,000, or 25 cents per share, compared with $1,264,000 or 24 cents per share, for the same period one year ago.

Net income for the nine month period ended Oct. 31, was $4,797,000, or 92 cents per share, compared with $4,115,000, or 79 cent per share, for the same period one year ago.

Sales for the quarter increased 12.1 percent to $48,475,000 from $43,488,000 and 11.2 percent to $142,346,000 from $128,029,000 for the nine months. For

stores open more than one year, sales increased 7.0 percent and 4.8 percent for the three months and nine months ended Oct. 31.

Sales for the five weeks ended Dec. 8, increased 1 percent and for stores opened more than one year sales as a percentage were flat.

During the nine months ended Oct. 31, Crown recognized a pre-tax gain from the disposition of its shares in Bookstop Inc., less certain expenses, of $1,829,000 and recorded the gain as an unusual item.

Crown currently operates 259 book stores in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area; California; Houston; Chicago and Seattle compared with 253 stores in operation one year ago.

CROWN BOOKS CORP.
(In Thousands)
(Except Earnings Per Share)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	Oct. 31 1990	Oct.31 1989	Oct. 31 1990	Oct. 31 1989
Sales	$48,745	$43,488	$142,346	$128,029
Net income before unusual item and income taxes	$ 2,004	$ 1,705	$ 5,800	$ 6,882
Unusual item	$ ---	$ ---	$ 1,829	$ ---
Net income before taxes	$ 2,004	$ 1,705	$ 7,629	$ 6,882
Net income	$ 1,284	$ 1,264	$ 4,797	$ 4,115
Earnings per share	$ .25	$ .24	$ .92	$ .79
Weighted average shares outstanding	5,226	5,265	5,241	5,212

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - B+H Bulk Carriers Ltd. (NASDAQ: BULKF) announced that at the Annual Meeting of shareholders on December 11, 1990, shareholders voted to amend the Company's bylaws, enabling it to convert from a self- liquidating company to an ongoing entity able to engage in all aspects of the ocean shipping industry. Shareholders cast 1,381,808 votes in favor of management's proposal and 131,825 votes in opposition.

Shareholders of the Company, which owns and operates seven bulkcarriers, also voted to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 2,350,000 to 30,000,000 shares.

Subject to the payment of an additional dividend of $.30 per share, the Company will issue 1,921,165 shares to an affiliate of its management in exchange for the termination of management's incentive fee, which is presently 30% of the Company's distributable cash flow and is scheduled to increase to 50% of distributable cash flow upon the payment of additional dividends equal to $.30 per share.

Michael S. Hudner, President of the Company, said that the shareholders' action is expected to result in an enhancement of the value of the shareholders' investment in the Company. Future cash flow of the Company, he noted, could be partially utilized to acquire interests in additional vessels and the amendment to the bylaws will enable the Company to raise debt and develop other sources of capital.

Furthermore, the conversion to a permanent entity will give the Company the flexibility to increase revenues and diversify operating risks by entering into areas presently closed to it under its current, self-liquidating status.

Hudner added that the vote of the Company's shareholders at the Annual Meeting reflected the confidence of the shareholders in management's ability to lead the Company into new areas in the 1990's.

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MERIDEN, CT (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Cenvest Inc. (NASDAQ:CBCT), the bank holding company for Central Bank, First Central Bank, and Meriden Trust and Safe Deposit Co., announced Wednesday that it expects to report a loss in the fourth quarter which ends Dec. 31, 1990, due primarily to anticipated loan charge-offs and a subsequent loan loss provision in excess of $13 million that is plans to record.

This would be the third additional provision Cenvest banks have had to record due to the depressed real estate market and the current economic recession. As long as the current conditions continue, further increases in nonperforming assets could result in additional loan loss provisions.

Earnings of Cenvest before charge-offs and loan loss provisions have declined significantly due to substantial increases in nonperforming loans and are expected to decline further in future fiscal quarters. Management continues to review the loan portfolio and its reserve adequacy based on the current market conditions. In view of the continuing losses, management has cut nonprofitable or nonessential banking services and reduced staff by approximately 6 percent.

Cenvest currently meets or exceeds all regulatory capital requirements, including the new risk-based capital guidelines which go into effect on Dec. 31, 1990. However, as previously announced, Cenvest's largest subsidiary, Central Bank, entered into a memorandum of understanding with regulators which requires Central Bank, among other things, to increase its capital ratios and to significantly improve its ratio of non-performing loans to total assets.

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#90346b0811 12/12/1990 ~Business Wire

FRAMINGHAM, MA (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Aritech announced Wednesday that its two lending banks have agreed in principal to extend from December 14, 1990 until March 31, 1991 the maturity date of the company's indebtedness to the banks.

As previously announced, Aritech has retained Wertheim Schroder & Co. Incorporated to explore alternatives to maximize shareholder value. A special committee of the board of directors, consisting of outside directors, has been established to review alternatives with Wertheim Schroder including the possible sale of the company to a third party or management.

Aritech is a leading manufacturer of electronic security equipment.

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#90346b0819 12/12/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - AmBase Corp. (NYSE: ABC) Wednesday announced that its board of directors had approved an amendment to the Stock Purchase Agreement under which it has agreed to sell The Home Insurance Co. and its subsidiaries to TVH Acquisition Corp. consisting principally of Trygg-Hansa Holding AB, a major Swedish insurer and Industrial Mutual Insurance Co. of Helsinki, Finland.

A special meeting of AmBase stockholders has been scheduled for Jan. 29, 1991, to approve the sale. The record date for the meeting is Dec. 21, 1990.

The major provisions of the amendment include:

- AmBase will receive $477 million in cash for the outstanding common stock of The Home and AmBase's holding of 6,227,180 shares of $2.95 Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A, issued by The Home.

- TVH will assume all of AmBase's 14-7/8 percent Senior Subordinated Notes due 1998 and Home Group Funding Corp.'s 14-7/8 percent Debentures due 1999 not purchased in the debt tender offers described below. TVH also will assume approximately $102 million of AmBase's outstanding 11-3/4 percent Sinking Fund Debentures Due 2008, as previously agreed. - TVH has agreed to pay AmBase up to $78 million to allow AmBase to meet its contingent liabilities. These include an obligation under a capital maintenance agreement to contribute up to $30 million to the capital of Carteret Savings Bank, and certain liabilities relating to litigation, taxes and AmBase's ongoing general and administrative expenses after closing.

- The amended agreement requires a minimum policyholder surplus at closing of $735 million.

As previously announced, the sale of The Home is subject to among other things the approval of AmBase's stockholders, various regulatory approvals and financing.

Under the agreement to purchase The Home, the sale is also subject to the successful completion of both debt tender offers. AmBase intends to commence tender offers to purchase 51 percent, or approximately $76.5 million of its 14-7/8 percent Senior Subordinated Notes Due 1998 (NYSE - ABC.RB) and 51 percent, or approximately $38.6 million of its 14-7/8 percent Debentures (NYSE - HME.RA) due June 1, 1999, of Home Group Funding Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of AmBase, which debentures are guaranteed on a subordinated basis by AmBAse. The offers will be made at prices which have not yet been determined, but which are anticipated to be at very substantial discounts to par. The tender offers will commence promptly and will be conditioned on, among other things, the simultaneous consummation of the sale of The Home, a portion of the cash proceeds of which will be used by AmBase to purchase such securities in the offers. As a result of TVH's assumption of the 14-7/8 percent Senior Subordinated Notes not purchased in the tender offer, neither AmBase nor TVH is required by the indenture to make an offer to purchase them at par.

AmBase also stated it was confident that TVH would soon receive commitment letters from a bank group led by Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A. with respect to the debt financing required to consummate TVH's purchase of The Home. On Nov. 27, 1990, TVH provided AmBase with commitment letters for $180 million of equity to support the transaction.

AmBase and TVH stated they will seek to consummate the sale of The Home expeditiously.

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LIVERPOOL, N.Y. (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Pico Products Inc. (AMEX:PPI) Wednesday reported a net loss for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1990, of $2.7 million, or 75 cents per share compared with a loss of $5.7 million, or $1.61 per share for fiscal 1989.

The weighted average common shares outstanding were 3,560,000 for fiscal 1990 and 3,539,000 for fiscal 1989.

Sales for fiscal 1990 were $22.6 million compared to $29.0 million for fiscal 1989, a decrease of 22 percent. The sales decline was primarily due to the slower-than-planned introduction of an improved product line in both Pico Macom and the CATV division and loss of sales from the largest customer of Pico Macom.

Unusual and non-recurring charges for fiscal 1990 were $963,000 which were primarily due to charges resulting from the settlement of litigation, a writedown of accounts receivable resulting from the bankruptcy of a customer and a reduction of inventory as a result of a dispute with a foreign vendor. The company's annual report on Form 10-K will be released by Dec. 18, 1990.

Subsequent to the end of fiscal 1990, the company did not pay the November and December installments of its $3.2 million mortgage on its facility in Liverpool. Discussions with the mortgage lienholders regarding this default have commenced and are scheduled to continue. The company has reached a tentative settlement on the mortgage with the primary lienholder, which is subject to satisfaction of certain conditions and the execution of a definitive agreement.

Because of the company's financial condition, the company has retained the investment banking firm of Philadelphia First Group Inc. and the services of Everett Keech, former Under Secretary of the Air Force and former Vice Dean of the Wharton School, to advise the company on formulating a restructuring plan.

Both Philadelphia First Group and Keech has extensive experience in financial restructuring of small and medium-sized companies. The company will announce its formal plan of restructuring upon completion of Philadelphia First Group's and Keech's analysis and acceptance of the plan by the board of directors of the company.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) BUSINESS WIRE - Bowne & Co. Inc. (ASE:BNE) Wednesday announced results for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31.

Fourth quarter net sales were $50,047,000 compared with $50,120,000 in the fourth quarter of last year. Net income declined to $1,303,000 from $3,532,000 last year. On a per share basis, net earnings for the fourth quarter were 8 cents in 1990 vs. 20 cents in 1989.

Net sales for the fiscal year totaled $201,217,000, an increase of 6% from $189,577,000 for last year. Net income for the year increased 3% to $8,416,000 from $8,162,000. On a per share basis, net earnings were 49 cents compared with 46 cents a year ago.

''While our full year results are an improvement over last year's,'' said Richard H. Koontz, president and CEO, ''our fourth quarter results were impacted unfavorably by some extraordinary events. First, the Mid-East crisis turned what had been a moderately active climate for financial printing work into one where both debt and equity issuers took a wait and see attitude toward new offerings. Secondly, our fourth quarter results include increased expenses due to the purchase of the Packard insurance division and the hiring of a number of former Pandick sales and service people in the wake of that financial printer's demise.''

''The new Bowne Insurance Division is the nation's leading printer of insurance company statutory reports, and the former Pandick people we hired have helped bring many of Pandick's accounts to Bowne. Both moves will strengthen our 1991 performance,'' Koontz added.

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#90346c0002 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 29, 1990, Pioneer Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: PSBN) announced its principal subsidiary, Pioneer Savings Bank Inc., will establish additional reserves for losses on loans, real estate owned and real estate held for investment of approximately $18.0 million for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

As a result of this transaction, Pioneer reported it expects reporting a loss of approximately $16.70 million for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The bank will, as a result of this loss, no longer comply with all minimum

capital requirements imposed by the Office of Thrift Supervision.

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#90346c0003 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on approximately Nov. 21, 1990, Laventhol & Horwath, the former principal accountant for Omni Films International Inc.(TICKER: OFII), filed for bankruptcy protection.

Concurrently, certain former personnel of Laventhol & Horwath in the Tampa, Florida, office, decided to continue their individual practices in a new firm under the name of Aidman, Piser & Co., P.A.

The board of directors of Omni, on Dec. 4, 1990, discharged Laventhol & Horwath from its responsibilities and engaged Aidman as its new accountant.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

However, Laventhol & Horwath's report on Omni's financial statements for the year ended Sept. 30, 1989, reported both management's uncertainty as to recoverability of approximately $305,000 of capitalized film production costs, and the uncertainty of Laventhol & Horwath as to the company's ability to recover these costs.

Management acknowledged this uncertainty, and $155,000 of such costs were written down, Omni reports.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Federal Savings Bank of LaGrange. (TICKER: FLAG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(127,369)	$241,518
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.16)	$0.30

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$172,878,737	$157,956,018
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,272,203	$15,713,226

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by AZTECH International Ltd.(TICKER: AZIN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$876,000	$1,006,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(74,000)	$79,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,406,227	2,358,758

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,505,000	$2,663,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$324,000	$389,000

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC showson Dec. 3, 1990, Heldor Industries Inc.(TICKER: HDR) announced that its bank had extended the Loan Administration and Interim Financing Agreement entered into on Oct. 3 1990.

The agreement, unless further extended, according to the extension, would expire on the earliest to occur of Dec. 7, 1990: the occurrence of an event of default, or the filing of a petition for bankruptcy protection.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 28, 1990, the board of directors of Drillstar Corp.(TICKER: DRIL) approved the

issuance of 750,000 shares of common stock of Drillstar in connection with the company's acquisition of Trinitech Business Systems Inc.

The acquisition was completed on Nov. 28, 1990, through a tax-free exchange of stock, whereby Trinitech Business Systems became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Drillstar.

In other news, the board of directors approved the change of the company's name to Drillstar International Corp.

It also approved an increase in the company's authorized common stock from 15.0 million shares to 25.0 million shares, and authorized a new class of Class A preferred convertible stock, with 5.0 million shares authorized.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Policy Management Systems Corp.(TICKER: PMS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$87,503,000	$66,155,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$9,489,000	$6,893,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.49	$0.41
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	19,392,000	16,944,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$487,582,000	$461,245,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$314,475,000	$285,069,000

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by FIRECOM Inc.(TICKER: FRCM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,883,000	$1,943,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$333,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(200,000)	$(230,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$461,000	$(152,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.09	$(0.04)

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,498,000	$5,469,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(640,000)	$(1,066,000)

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#90346c0011 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest F-4 report filed at the NASD by Franklin National Bank of Washington, D.C. (TICKER: FKLB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$63,000	$(37,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,564,536	1,564,536

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$44,750,000	$40,533,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,950,000	$3,668,000

-30- 901

#90346c0012 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 4 1990, Williams Controls Inc.(TICKER: WMCO) engaged the firm of Gelfond Hochstadt Pangburn Stark & Co. as its new independent accountants.

The company reports that members of this firm previously were members of Laventhol & Horwath, Williams' previous accountants, which filed for bankruptcy protection in November, 1990.

-30- 541

#90346c0013 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Sunward Technologies Inc.(TICKER: SUNT).The company, formerly known as Computer & Communications Technology Corp., and Sunward Technologies combined effective as of Aug. 31, 1990. The company then changed its fiscal year end to the last Sunday in June. The figures given, therefore for 1990, are for the eight-month period from Dec. 31, 1989 through Aug. 31, 1990, for the last reporting period for Computer & Communications Technology.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Eight Months Ended	Fiscal Year Ended
	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
REVENUES	$41,230,000	$61,483,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(9,174,000)	$(17,343,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.81)	$(1.54)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$23,206,000	$41,430,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(1,582,000)	$7,562,000

-30- 1515

#90346c0015 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 16, 1990, INCORP Inc. reported it is delinquent in filing its annual report on Form 10-K for its fiscal year ending July 31, 1990.

The company states the reason for the delay is its inability to complete the audit of its financial statements for the year ended July 31, 1990.

INCORP says its auditors are expected to release its audited financial statements for this period within the next 30 days.

The company also states its auditors have informed it that their report accompanying the financial statements will express a qualification to the statements that because the company has sustained substantial operating losses in each of its last five years, its continuation as a going concern depends upon future profitable operations, additional financing, and/or liquidation of assets.

-30- 1021

#90346c0016 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Authorized Distribution Network Inc. (TICKER: ADNI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$15,757,944	$30,214,384
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(12,499,774)	$(4,827,854)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.67)	$(1.83)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,399,673	$16,547,582
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(11,900,452)	$6,309,084)

-30- 1051

#90346c0017 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Community Banks Inc.(TICKER: CBKI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$518,000	$547,000

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.41	$0.43
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,262,082	1,262,082

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$230,474,000	$199,387,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$22,224,000	$21,345,000

-30- 874

#90346c0018 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows in a letter dated April 30, 1990, the general partner of the limited partnership of Forest 1980 Drilling Program advised the limited partners it had determined liquidation and termination of the Forest 1980 program was, based on economic analyses, in the best interests of the limited partners.

Additionally on that date, the managing general partners of the general partnerships appointed the general partner of the limited partnership to serve as liquidating agent of the drilling partnerships, and to wind up and terminate the business and affairs of the drilling partnerships.

Forest 1980 reports its producing oil and gas wells and undeveloped acreage was offered for sale to over 350 companies on May 18, 1990.

Of those, 110 responded by asking for additional information.

A total of 14 bids were received for all or a portion of the program's properties.

The company states that initially, none was acceptable because they did not meet or exceed the properties' estimated market values, but that buyers have now been identified for all the program's properties.

The Henry Unit in Wyoming and the program's wells in Oklahoma were sold to Thermal Exploration and Natural Gas exploration, respectively.

Forest Oil Corp.(TICKER: FOIL) purchased the remaining properties.

-30- 1553

#90346c0019 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:34 that trade in Tyler Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol TYL.

-30- 301
#90346c0020 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:06 that trade in CBS Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol CBS.

-30- 294
#90346c0021 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:17 that trade in Loews Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol LTR.

-30- 302
#90346c0023 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by LIFEWAY FOODS INC.(TICKER: LWAY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,102,720	$827,288
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$64,975	$30,307
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,731,777	3,731,777

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,966,221	$1,894,331
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,453,372	$1,388,397

-30- 1090
#90346c0024 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Chicago Dock and Canal Trust.(TICKER: DOCK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,220,000	$4,181,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,250,000	$361,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.21	$0.06

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$91,191,000	$90,952,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$43,763,000	$42,018,000

-30- 1032
#90346c0025 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Nova Capital Inc.(TICKER: NVEQ).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(82,649)	$6,435
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,269,012	4,640,667

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,215,634	$502,393
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,763,817	$494,025

The company reports the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1990 was primarily devoted

to establishing the business of the company, and its plan of operation. The actual business plan and acquisition of the art inventory were not substantially implemented until the quarter ending May 31, 1990, Nova Capital states. The company says it has not yet recorded revenues or expenses of note because the contemplated results of operations commenced in fiscal 1990 will not take place until subsequent to Aug. 31, 1990. The company's executive offices are located at 5457 Roswell Road, Suite 103, Atlanta, Georgia 30342, and its telephone number is (404) 257-0572.

-30- 1725

#90346c0026 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by AAON Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,073,000	$9,075,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$378,000	$118,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.01

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,682,000	$14,912,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,740,000	$621,000

The company's executive offices are located at 2425 South Yukon, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74107, and its telephone number is (918) 583-2266.

-30- 1111

#90346c0027 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Global Resources Inc.(TICKER: GLRS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$64,423	$49,524
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(45,195)	$(38,453)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,060,517	11,984,832

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,129,838	$2,154,039
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,593,597	$1,409,147

-30- 1075

#90346c0028 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Continental Real Estate Investment Trust. (TICKER: FCRE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$477,494	$678,274
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(745,183)	$(900,796)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.13)	$(0.17)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,713,331	5,275,054

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Feb. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$42,094,258	$43,186,946
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,333,845	$11,609,310

-30- 1142

#90346c0029 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Texas Meridian Resources Ltd.(TICKER: TMR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,774,000	$2,771,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,558,000)	$(638,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER UNIT	$(0.10)	$(0.05)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	15,392,000	15,321,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$44,290,000	$44,074,000
TOTAL PARTNERS' EQUITY	$5,122,000	$9,463,000

-30- 1112
#90346c0031 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Astro-Med Inc.(TICKER: ALOT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Oct. 27, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
REVENUES	$6,844,945	$5,658,993
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$591,207	$449,531
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.18	$0.14
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,258,020	3,303,571

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 27, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$22,887,465	$21,365,208
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,657,871	$15,334,925

-30- 1079
#90346c0032 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Executive House Inc.(TICKER: EXHS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$281,881	$184,054
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$537	$(10,965)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,098,775	2,058,034

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,722,002	$2,744,956
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,976,947	$2,374,648

-30- 1074
#90346c0033 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Surgery Centers Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$844,914	$697,291
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$128,394	$(78,505)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	23,485,292	23,485,292

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$1,922,957	$1,797,379
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(4,917,235)	$(4,883,172)

-30- 1059

#90346c0034 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Centennial Corp.(TICKER: FCLC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$913,056	$692,508
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(173,481)	$(70,569)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,010,290	2,900,683

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,450,299	$17,535,825
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,668,879	$4,289,033

-30- 1094

#90346c0035 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Fort Wayne National Corp.(TICKER: FWNC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,995,000	$4,741,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.52	$0.62

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$1,794,283,000	$1,755,335,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$148,135,000	$141,864,000

-30- 827

#90346c0036 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Loews Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol LTR. Trading was resumed at 11:20.

-30- 335

#90346c0037 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in CBS Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CBS. Trading was resumed at 11:20.

-30- 328

#90346c0040 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Media Logic Inc.(TICKER: TSTM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,786,063	$2,068,348
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$119,573	$108,867
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$0.06

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,367,155	$3,736,921
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,100,201	$2,171,330

-30- 1025

#90346c0041 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows J.W. Gant Financial Inc.(TICKER: JWGF) reported that on Nov. 30, 1990, its certifying

auditors, Spicer & Oppenheim, dissolved their business effective on that date. Therefore, Gant is soliciting proposals from other accounting firms.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

Gant reports, however, that Spicer reported a modification regarding the period ended June 30, 1990, in regard to Gant's legal proceedings and disputes in which large or indeterminate amounts were being sought.

Spicer also noted a modification for the period ended June 30, 1989, in regard to the financial statements of one of the company's subsidiaries.

That subsidiary, reports Gant, was involved in various legal proceedings and disputes, and "no provision for any liability that may result has been made in the accompanying consolidated financial statements," Spicer concludes.

-30- 1275

#90346c0042 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 16, 1990, Mark B. Vaughn, chief executive officer and director, and Thomas A. Kloet, chief financial officer, treasurer and assistant secretary and director resigned their positions with Jack Carl/312-Futures Inc. (TICKER: FUTR) to become employees of Credit Agricole Futures Inc.

Two new directors, Joel M. Eidelstein and George A. Myers, were elected to the board of directors to fill the vacancies created by the resignation of Vaughn and Kloet.

-30- 697

#90346c0043 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Coral Companies Inc.(TICKER: COCI), on Dec. 4, 1990, hired the firm of Schumacher Beichle & Associates as its independent accountants to replace the now-defunct accounting firm of Laventhol & Horwath, which ceased operations in November.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

In other news, the company and potential investors signed a letter of intent where the investor agreed to provide financing of up to $1.0 million, to be secured by subsequent receipts generated upon further sales to Inmac Corp. (TICKER: INMC) upon successful completion of the currently pending software

application.

-30- 1024
#90346c0044 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 14, 1990, FNW Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: FNWB) informed its independent accountant, Coopers & Lybrand, that it had been dismissed effective at the completion of the company's 1990 audit work.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 638
#90346c0045 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 19, 1990, American Savings & Loan Association of Florida (ASLA) (TICKER: ASLA) announced its common stock is not currently being quoted on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation system.

However, ASLA stated it continues to be included for quotation on that system.

The company states that recent bid and asked quotations, when made, can be found in the National Daily Quotation Service "Pink Sheets."

-30- 669
#90346c0046 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 27, 1990, Transtech Industries Inc.(TICKER: TRTI) and its subsidiaries, Kin-Buc Inc. and Filcrest Realty Inc., entered an agreement with SCA Services Inc. a wholly-owned subsidiary of Waste Management Inc.(TICKER: WMX), SCA Services of Passaic Inc. and Wastequid Inc., whereby SCA would satisfy the requirement of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that the company provide financial assurance to the EPA that all of the remediation work at Kin-Buc's Edison, New Jersey landfill will be completed as stated in an order served upon Transtech and Kin-Buc in September, 1990.

The order makes it mandatory that the companies post a performance bond or otherwise meet the requirements of financial assurance set forth in regulations promulgated by EPA.

-30- 1006
#90346c0048 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective

Dec. 1, 1990, J.B. Coffman resigned as a director of Exploration Co. of Louisiana (TICKER: XCOL), for personal reasons.

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#90346c0049 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Missouri Research Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: MRES) was informed by its former certifying accountant, Grant Thornton, that Thornton has ceased its audit relationship with Missouri.

Missouri reports it is the company's understanding that Thornton closed that portion of its St. Louis office related to performance of independent audits and therefore is not available to serve as Missouri's certifying accountants for the fiscal year ending Jan. 31, 1991, from a local office.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

Thornton's report on the company's financial statements for the fiscal year ended Jan. 31, 1990 was qualified as to uncertainty on a standstill agreement with certain covenants under Missouri's bank credit agreements.

-30- 1158

#90346c0050 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30, 1990, Management Co. Entertainment Group Inc.(TICKER: MCEG) (MCEG) reported the following subsidiaries filed for bankruptcy protection under Chapter 11:

Manson International, Independent Production Resources Inc. and Media Resources Credit Corp.

On Dec. 3, 1990, MCEG Services Inc., Media Credit Facility Inc. and MCF II Inc., also subsidiaries of Management Co., filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

On Aug. 17, 1990, MCEG Productions Inc., also a wholly-owned subsidiary, had an involuntary petition for Chapter 7 bankruptcy filed against it.

This was changed to a voluntary case under Chapter 11 on Nov. 28, 1990.

On Oct. 31, 1990, involuntary petitions for bankruptcy under Chapter 7 were filed against MCEG and Virgin Vision Inc., MCEG reports.

Petitions were filed by Dennis Davidson Associates Inc., Premier Video Inc.

Judith McGuinn and Wang Credit Corp., and petitions require response by Dec. 16, 1990, unless the alleged debtors obtain extensions of time to respond, MCEG reports.

-30- 1290

#90346c0051 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY J.M. DAVIS OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 630,900 SHARES (15.90%) OF QUANTUM DIAGNOSTICS LTD.(TICKER: QTMC) OF NESCONSET, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 30, 1990, Mr. Davis transferred 450,000 shares as a gift to his wife Rosalind Davidowitz.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 30, 1990, 78,000 shares were purchased at a price of $.002 per share by D. H. Blair and Co.

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#90346c0052 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 7, 1990, pursuant to stock purchase agreements, GFAC sold 4,820,788 shares (14.52585 percent) of SPI common stock to Holdgold Inc. for an aggregate price of $188,836,050 paid by delivery of a secured note; and sold 28,396,467 shares (85.47415 percent) to SP Gold Holdings Inc. for an aggregate purchase price of $1,111,163,950 paid in cash. Hanson PLC, et al. ceased to be beneficial owners of any common stock on Dec. 7, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 684

#90346c0053 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

OKAYA & CO. LTD. OWNS 1,920,000 SHARES (8.44%) OF CSC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CPSL) OF WARREN, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Okaya & Co. LTD. and CSC Industries Inc. entered into a subscription agreement dated as of Dec. 5, 1990 providing for the purchase of 1.92 million CSC Industries Inc. common shares at $1.25 per share. The transaction is expected to close no later than March 31, 1991.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 622
#90346c0054 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 5 1990, a subsidiary of Welcom Capital Inc., Health Technology Inc., executed a preliminary, non-binding agreement with James Hoyte Clark of Orem, Utah and affiliates, whereby the parties agreed in principle to the acquisition by Health Technology Inc. on an exclusive basis, of the right to manufacture, market and distribute products utilizing certain technologies developed and owned by Clark and affiliates.

These technologies are connected to skin conductance measuring equipment and services, Welcom reports.

The preliminary agreement names in particular the INTERRO technology which Welcom, through Health Technology, had previously been implementing.

The Clark technology also contains numerous material advances and modifications to allow the company to manufacture products with substantially improved features over the INTERRO.

The preliminary agreement contemplates the payment of royalties to Clark and affiliates, Welcom states.

The company's executive offices are located at 110 Newport Center Drive, Suite 200, Newport Beach, California 92660, and its telephone number is (714) 640-7370.

-30- 1385
#90346c0056 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 20, 1990, the board of directors of Drilex Oil & Gas Inc. engaged the accounting firm of Smith, Sibley & Co. for the year ending March 31, 1990.

The work of John J. Stefanich Jr., P.C., was terminated effective on that date the company reports.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

Stefanich's report for the past two reporting periods contained only one qualification, for the financial statements for the periods ending Sept. 30, 1988 and March 31, 1989 and for the year and six months, respectively, then ended, subject to Drilex's ability to continue as a going concern.

The company's executive address is 1106 N. Highway 360, Suite 200, Grand Prairie, Texas 75050, and its telephone number is (214) 647-0707.

-30- 1127

#90346c0057 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 19, 1990, and Nov. 30, 1990, Cerbco Inc.(TICKER: CERB) announced that Robert E. Long and Thomas J. Schaefer, respectively, resigned from the company's board of directors, each citing increased demands and time commitments with respect to other professional, business and personal matters.

Additionally, the company noted that, as expected, it has received written notice from its commercial bank that its existing collateral was deemed insufficient under the terms of a $2.65 million note due Sept. 15, 1991, between Cerbco and the bank, and the company states it is working with the bank to satisfy the deficiency.

-30- 863

#90346c0058 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30, 1990, Mother Lode Gold Mines Consolidated reports that the company's certifying public accountant, Boydstun & Klinger, resigned.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 597

#90346c0059 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows C.C.R. Video Corp.(TICKER: CCCR) filed for protection under the federal bankruptcy law, Chapter 11, on Nov. 23, 1990, with the Federal Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California.

Jurisdiction over substantially all the company's assets was assumed on that date by the company's leaving the existing directors and officers of the company in possession of these assets, C.C.R. states.

The company's executive address is 953 N. Highland, Los Angeles, Californina 90038, and its telephone number is (213) 465-9527.

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#90346c0060 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 5 1990, Pacific Enterprises Oil Co., the oil and gas exploration and production subsidiary of Pacific Enterprises (TICKER: PET), completed oil price and swap agreements at $23.13 per barrel for approximately 50% of its anticipated 1991 oil production, the company reports.

The swap agreements are an exchange of cash payments, not the transfer of barrels of oil, between Pacific Enterprises Oil Co. (PEOC) and financial counterparties, Pacific Enterprises reports.

-30- 708

#90346c0061 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 19, 1990, First National Realty Associates Inc. acquired all the capital stock of Gribin Von Dyl & Associate Inc. (GVD) and National Escrow Corp.

The principal shareholder of GVD and National Escrow was Kates & Dlugatch Enterprises Inc.

The company reports the purchase price for the capital assets was 300,000 shares of First National Realty's common stock.

Additionally, First National Realty agreed to pay to Kates up to an additional 150,000 shares of its common stock over a five-year period, based on the pre-tax profits of all of the company's offices in Los Angeles County.

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#90346c0062 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Edgar A. Rust, president and chief executive officer of Centennial Savings Bank FSB (TICKER: CNSB), for which Centennial Financial Corp. functions as a holding

company, announced the bank had completed conversion from a federal mutual saving bank to a federal stock savings bank. Rust also announced the formation of a holding company in regard to the conversion.

Centennial Financial shares in the amount of 211,067 were sold in the subscription and community offering at $10 per share, and garnered $2.11 million, Centennial Financial reports.

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#90346c0064 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 6 1990, American Brands Inc.(TICKER: AMB) announced it has withdrawn its subsidiary, Waterloo Industries, from the market.

Waterloo is a supplier of tool storage products, states American.

William J. Alley, chairman and chief executive officer of American Brands, said Waterloo was withdrawn from the market because the combination of "the current recession and growing liquidity crunch has meant that we have been unable to find an acceptable buyer able to pay us full value" for Waterloo.

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#90346c0065 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 15, 1990, Lightning Bolt International Inc. acquired 100% of the common stock of Home Maintenance Systems Inc. (HMS) for 16.0 million shares of Lightning Bolt's unissued treasury stock.

Lightning Bolt reports its president and his affiliates owned 35% of HMS.

The transaction has been accounted for under the pooling-of-interests method and the acquired company is being operated as a wholly-owned subsidiary, Lightning Bolt reports.

The company's executive offices are located at 10 West 100 South, #710, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101, and its telephone number is (801) 575-8311.

-30- 828

#90346c0066 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30, 1990, pursuant to the filing for bankruptcy of Columbia Laboratories Inc.'s (TICKER: COB) certified public accountant, Laventhol & Horwath, on Nov. 21, 1990, the company chose a new accountant, Arthur Andersen & Co.

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#90346c0067 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 3, 1990, Ozo Diversified Automation Inc.(TICKER: OZOD) appointed the accounting firm of Wheeler Brunschwig Wasoff P.C. as its independent accountant, replacing the firm of Laventhol & Horwath, which filed for bankruptcy protection on Nov. 21, 1990 and has ceased operations.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 722
#90346c0068 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 6 1990, Roosevelt Financial Group Inc.(TICKER: RFED) announced it has borrowed $1.14 million from a commercial bank to fund the regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.20 per share paid on Nov. 30, 1990, to the company's holders of company stock.

The loan is at the commercial bank's prime rate, matures on March 1, 1991, and is secured by 12% of the stock of the company's subsidiary, Roosevelt Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, Roosevelt Financial reports.

-30- 692
#90346c0069 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 31, 1990, the board of directors of Autocafe Systems Inc. took action to extend the expiration date of the company's Class A common stock purchase warrants from Nov. 30, 1990 to Dec. 31, 1990.

-30- 425
#90346c0070 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - MBNA Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC relating to 45 million shares of MBNA Corp. to be offered to the public.

MNC Financial (TICKER: MNC), a selling stockholder, will be offering all the shares of MBNA it owns as part of the 45 million shares to be offered.

The initial public offering price is still to be determined.

Application will be made to list the common stock on the New York Stock Exchange.

Goldman Sachs & Co. is underwriting the offering.

MBNA Corp. has been formed to conduct the credit card business presently conducted by MBNA America Bank. Immediately prior to completion of the offering, MNC Financial will contribute to MBNA Corp. the credit card and certain related banking assets and liabilities of MBNA America and certain other subsidiareis of MNC Financial.

MBNA Corp's executive office is located at 400 Christiana Road, Newark, Delaware 19713 and its telephone number is (302) 453-9930.

-30- 1145

#90346c0072 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - World Tie Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer up to 450,000 units.

Each unit consists of one common share and one common share purchase warrant.

The initial public offering price is $10.00 per unit.

World Tie was formed on March 22, 1989 for the purpose of manufacturing, marketing and distributing a pre-tied zipper sytle necktie which is the subject of a U.S. patent issued on April 30, 1985. The company has recently filed application with the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, patent and trademark office to protect its marketing of the necktie under the name "Perfectie."

The company's executive office is located at Market Center DTC, 7901 E. Belleview Ave., No. 230, Englewood, Colorado 80111. Its telephone number is (303) 329-8500.

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#90346c0073 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - Medeva plc has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts for ordinary shares of the par value of 10 pence each of Medeva plc.

The depositary bank is The Bank of New York and its telephone number is (212) 495-1727.

Fifty million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $10 per unit. The registration fee is $1,250.

NOTE: Each unit represents 100 American Depositary Shares.

-30- 694
#90346c0074 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - Independent Telecommunications Network Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 4.5 million sahres of its series preferred stock at the purchase price of $1.00 per share.

The company is engaged in the business of developing, managing and marketing the independent ITN Network based on its Signaling System 7 technology (SS7). The company's primary objective is to provide SS7 network connection to independent telephone companies.

The company's executive office is located at Gilbert/Robinson Plaza, 47th and Main, Suite 400, Kansas City, Missouri 64112. Its telephone number is (816) 561-9200.

-30- 847
#90346c0075 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - Guideline Capital Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 1.2 million units.

Each unit consists of one share of common stock and one Class A common stock purchase warrant.

The initial public offering price is $0.25 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 333 North Newport Blvd., Newport Beach, California 92663 and its telephone number is (714) 574-8800.

-30- 752
#90346c0076 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - Genesis Companies Group Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 20,000 units.

Each unit consists of 100 shares of common stock, 100 Class A warrants, 100 Class B warrants and 100 Class C warrants.

The initial public offering price is $10.00 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 2321 Drusilla Lane, Suite A,

Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809 and its telephone number is (504) 928-3386.

-30- 767
#90346c0077 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:40 that trade in NCR Corp. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol NCR.

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#90346c0078 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD W CHAPPLE OF 818 CONGRESSIONAL RD, SIMI VALLEY, CA 93065, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF COM SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CTM) THROUGH BATEMAN EICHLER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(COM SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 818 988-3010)

-30- 413
#90346c0080 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACK W FRID OF 1139 KARTH LAKE DR, ARDEN HILLS, MN 55112, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,051 SHARES OF INTERCIM (TICKER: ITCM) THROUGH BLUNT ELLIS & LOEWI. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(INTERCIM TEL: 612 894-9010)

-30- 385
#90346c0081 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES H FURNEAUX OF 83 WALNUT ST, WELLESLEY HILLS, MA 02181, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,400 SHARES OF ALLOY COMPUTER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ALOY) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(ALLOY COMPUTER PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 508 481-8500)

-30- 430
#90346c0082 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN M SCANDALIOS OF 79 LANE PLACE, ATHERTON, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO

SELL 5,694 SHARES OF ARIX CORP. (TICKER: ARIX) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(ARIX CORP. TEL: 408 432-1200)

-30- 393
#90346c0083 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH R ALOSA OF 286 SOUTH STREET, CONCORD, NH 03301, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SVGS BANK CORP. (TICKER: NHSB) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(NEW HAMPSHIRE SVGS BANK CORP. TEL: 603 224-7711)

-30- 435
#90346c0084 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD M FURLAUD OF 12 POND VIEW DR, PLAINSBORO, NJ 08536, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB CO. (TICKER: BMY) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB CO. TEL: 212 546-3000)

-30- 439
#90346c0085 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUCE M VANHORN OF C/O A J MILLS ATTY, 1414 ARLINGTON, ADA, OK 74820, HAS FILED TO SELL 500,001 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 394
#90346c0086 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILFRED J CORRIGAN OF 12797 NORMANDY LANE, LOS ALTOS HILLS, CA 94022, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,777 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 429
#90346c0088 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT G JAGUNICH OF 765 CHRISTINE DR, PALO ALTO, CA 94303, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(LASERSCOPE TEL: 408 943-0636)

-30- 400
#90346c0089 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LENNIE & ALINE FMLY TRUST SKAGGS OF 709 EAST SOUTH TEMPLE, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84102, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN STORES CO. (TICKER: ASC) THROUGH JEFFERIES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(AMERICAN STORES CO. TEL: 801 539-0112)

-30- 449
#90346c0090 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTHERN TRUST CO TTEE OF 50 S LA SALLE ST, CHICAGO, IL 60675, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,700 SHARES OF NORTHERN TRUST CORP. (TICKER: NTRS) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(NORTHERN TRUST CORP. TEL: 312 630-6000)

-30- 433
#90346c0091 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAL C HYLTON OF 3273 MORITZ, HUNTINGTON BCH, CA 92649, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,800 SHARES OF PACIFICARE HEALTH SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PHSY) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(PACIFICARE HEALTH SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 714 952-1121)

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#90346c0092 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHRIS H HORGEN OF 2712 DOWNING ST SE, HUNTSVILLE, AL 35801, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF NICHOLS RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: NRES) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(NICHOLS RESEARCH CORP. TEL: 205 883-1140)

-30- 429
#90346c0093 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROE H HATLEN OF 13141 HANNOVER CT, 0, APPLE VALLEY, MN 55124, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF BUFFETS INC. (TICKER: BOCB) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(BUFFETS INC. TEL: 612 942-9760)

-30- 403
#90346c0094 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GENERAL ATLANTIC GRP LTD OF 8615 WESTWOOD CENTER DR, VIENNA, VA 22182, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF LEGENT CORP. (TICKER: LGNT) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(LEGENT CORP. TEL: 703 734-9494)

-30- 418
#90346c0096 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALDEN VENTURE OF 750 BATTERY ST, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,210 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

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#90346c0097 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - COLLEGE PRESIDENT AND FE HARVARD OF 600 ATLANTIC AVE, BOSTON, MA 02210,

HAS FILED TO SELL 5,910 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 431
#90346c0098 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARC P SHORE OF 68 TALCOTT RD, 0, RYE BROOK, NY 10580, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF SHOREWOOD PACKAGING CORP. (TICKER: SHOR) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(SHOREWOOD PACKAGING CORP. TEL: 516 694-2900)

-30- 428
#90346c0099 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BURKE RICHARD T JR TRUST OF 9900 BREN RD E, 300 OPUS CTR, MINNETONKA, MN 55343, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: UNIH) THROUGH WESSELS ARNOLD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. TEL: 612 936-1300)

-30- 460
#90346c0100 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BURKE RYAN M TRUST OF 9900 BREN RD E, 300 OPUS CTR, MINNETONKA, MN 55343 HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: UNIH) THROUGH WESSELS ARNOLD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. TEL: 612 936-1300)

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#90346c0101 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN F MACK OF 2617 ARBORETUM DR, MADISON, WI 53713, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,816 SHARES OF VALLEY BANCORPORATION (WI) (TICKER: VYBN) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(VALLEY BANCORPORATION (WI) TEL: 414 738-3830)

-30- 422
#90346c0102 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KEN J MCEWAN OF 956 NORIN CT, CAMPBELL, CA 95008, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

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#90346c0104 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ABRAHAM J SALAMAN OF 800 KINGS HIGHWAY N, SUITE 500, CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF NATIONAL MEDIA CORP. (TICKER: NM) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(NATIONAL MEDIA CORP. TEL: 215 482-9800)

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#90346c0105 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARY PATTERSON OF 2100 LOGIC DR, SAN JOSE, CA 95124, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7778)

-30- 390
#90346c0106 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - Bank Leumi Le-Israel (TICKER: BKLM) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it earned 20.03 million New Israeli Shekel (NIS), or 2.83 NIS per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of 50.92 million NIS, or 7.20 NIS per share, for the same period in 1989.

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#90346c0107 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID S WAGMAN OF 200 CONTINENTAL BLVD, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, HAS FILED TO SELL 120,000 SHARES OF MERISEL INC. (TICKER: MSEL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(MERISEL INC. TEL: 213 615-3080)

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#90346c0108 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID J GLADSTONE OF 8401 WELLER AVE, MCLEAN, VA 22102, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,345 SHARES OF ALLIED CAPITAL CORP. II (TICKER: ALII) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(ALLIED CAPITAL CORP. II TEL: 202 331-1112)

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#90346c0109 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Electric & Gas Technology Inc.(TICKER: ELGT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$68,572,843	$64,240,924
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$112,742	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$213,982	$1,013,018
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.15
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,610,300	6,590,300

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$33,517,319	$31,194,175
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,487,119	$9,837,440

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#90346c0110 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELISABETH H BURTSCHY OF 14 FULTON ST, CINCINNATI, SC 29402, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HB) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 812 934-7000)

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#90346c0112 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by First Michigan Bank Corp.(TICKER: FMBC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$4,589,000	$4,099,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.50	$0.45
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,135,100	9,117,100

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,655,829,000	$1,558,155
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$124,188,000	$114,306,000

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#90346c0113 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM H DAVIDOW OF 62 FREDRICK, ATHERTON, CA 94027, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

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#90346c0114 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIRK LOUGHEED OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

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#90346c0115 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ultrak Inc.(TICKER: ULTK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,524,670	$2,681,192
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$63,622	$(5,379)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	31,906,340	30,113,440

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,149,508	5,070,036
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,160,617	672,142

-30- 1053

#90346c0116 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL P GEISBERG OF 80 DORCAR ST, NEWTON, MA 02159, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 436

#90346c0117 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Vermont Financial Services Corp.(TICKER: VFSC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$202,000	$2,032,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.06	$0.61

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$887,090,000	$852,576,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$62,509,000	$61,566,000

-30- 809
#90346c0118 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - C RICHARD HARRISON OF 88 LINCOLN DR, WAYLAND, MA 01778, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 437
#90346c0120 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Lyric Energy Inc.(TICKER: LYRC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended April 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$283,501	$268,257
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(290,561)	$(266,799)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)

BALANCE SHEET

	April 30, 1990	April 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,056,000	$1,071,413
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(2,177,735)	$(1,887,174)

-30- 1001
#90346c0121 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOLLINS BRIAN E TTEE OF 1630 MCCARTHY BLVD, MILPITAS, CA 95035, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 408 942-0810)

-30- 444
#90346c0122 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALDEN VENTURE OF 750 BATTERY ST, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 395
#90346c0123 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLENN CHAFFIN OF 1228 CARTHAGE HWY, 0, LEBANON, TN 37087, HAS FILED TO SELL 48,750 SHARES OF CRACKER BARREL OLD COUNTRY STORE (TICKER: CBRL) THROUGH EDWARD D JONES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(CRACKER BARREL OLD COUNTRY STORE TEL: 615 444-5533)

-30- 460
#90346c0124 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES F MEYERS OF 12787 BROOKGLEN COURT, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7778)

-30- 399
#90346c0125 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MERCER REYNOLDS III OF 300 MAIN STREET, CINCINNATI, OH 45202, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS) THROUGH REYNOLDS DEWITT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. TEL: 614 833-9155)

-30- 447
#90346c0126 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - REYNOLDS PARTNERS OF 300 MAIN STREET, CINCINNATI, OH 45202, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,160 SHARES OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS) THROUGH REYNOLDS DEWITT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. TEL: 614 833-9155)

-30- 449
#90346c0128 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NUTT ROY EST OF 2100 E GRAND AVE, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF COMPUTER SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: CSC) THROUGH JEFFERIES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(COMPUTER SCIENCES CORP. TEL: 213 615-1770)

-30- 422
#90346c0129 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JONATHAN J GOLOVIN OF 490FAXON RD, ATHERTON, CA 94027, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(CONSILIUM INC. TEL: 415 691-6100)

-30- 404
#90346c0130 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - NUTT ROY EST OF 2100 E GRAND AVE, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,500 SHARES OF COMPUTER SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: CSC) THROUGH JEFFERIES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(COMPUTER SCIENCES CORP. TEL: 213 615-1770)

-30- 422
#90346c0131 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOSACK OF 590 THIAN WAY, PALO ALTO, CA 94306, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 409
#90346c0132 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SANDRA K LERNER OF 1243 LAUREL ST #B, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 416
#90346c0133 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERWEST PARTNERS III OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, BLDG #3 SUITE #255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7114)

-30- 427
#90346c0134 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERWEST PARTNERS II OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, BLDG #3 SUITE #255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,875 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX)

THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7114)

-30- 425
#90346c0136 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J MCGINLEY OF 7444 W WILSON AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60656, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF METHODE ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: METH) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(METHODE ELECTRONICS INC. TEL: 312 867-9600)

-30- 431
#90346c0137 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JACKSON TRUST OF 28 WHITE BRIDGE RD, NASHVILLE, TN 37205, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,000 SHARES OF REN CORP. USA (TICKER: RENL) THROUGH EQUITABLE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(REN CORP. USA TEL: 615 352-7991)

-30- 395
#90346c0138 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E NAYLOR JR OF 479 CANN RD, WEST CHESTER, PA 19382, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ROHM & HAAS CO. (TICKER: ROH) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(ROHM & HAAS CO. TEL: 215 592-2432)

-30- 399
#90346c0139 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUNWESTERN VENTURES LTD OF 12221 MERIT DR, SUITE 1300, DALLAS, TX 75251, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,749 SHARES OF ENCLEAN INC. (TICKER: ENCL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(ENCLEAN INC. TEL: 713 331-8335)

-30- 417
#90346c0140 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A H L MUIR OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 397
#90346c0141 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES INDVDL AGENCY DILLINGHAM OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,367 SHARES OF CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. (TICKER: CHL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. TEL: 713 236-4515)

-30- 440
#90346c0142 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES INDVDL AGENCY DILLINGHAM OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,301 SHARES OF CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. (TICKER: CHL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. TEL: 713 236-4515)

-30- 441
#90346c0144 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHAILIN WEY OF 777 COFFEEWOOD COURT, SAN JOSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(KOMAG INC. TEL: 408 946-2300)

-30- 377
#90346c0145 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL MINERVA OF 4061 STONE PLACE, BOULDER, CO 80301, HAS FILED TO SELL 330,000 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 303 671-8800)

-30- 377
#90346c0146 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM B GORDON OF 1032 LA CUESTA, HILLSBOROUGH, CA 94010, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS) THROUGH VAN KASPER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(ELECTRONIC ARTS TEL: 415 571-7171)

-30- 409
#90346c0147 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M A JOHNSON II OF 228 S MAIN ST, SPRING GROVE, PA 17362, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,616 SHARES OF GLATFELTER (P.H.) CO. (TICKER: GLT) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(GLATFELTER (P.H.) CO. TEL: 717 225-4711)

-30- 416
#90346c0148 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANTHONY N KAMIN OF 345 WEST FULLERTON, CHICAGO, IL 60614, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,000 SHARES OF INNOVET INC. (TICKER: IVET) THROUGH FIRST OPTIONS CHICAGO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(INNOVET INC. TEL: 407 394-0621)

-30- 398
#90346c0149 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CRAIG S MILLER OF 100 CHARLES PARK RD, WEST ROXBURY, MA 02132, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,024 SHARES OF UNO RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: UNO) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(UNO RESTAURANT CORP. TEL: 617 323-9200)

-30- 420
#90346c0150 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARY G OHARA OF 105 HIGH TOWN TRAIL, 0, AIKEN, SC 29801, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,790 SHARES OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 617 622-1000)

-30- 447
#90346c0152 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAJENDRA KUMAR OF 3330 W MARKET ST, AKRON, OH 44313, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,500 SHARES OF TELXON CORP. (TICKER: TLXN) THROUGH C J LAWRENCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(TELXON CORP. TEL: 216 867-4700)

-30- 379
#90346c0153 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT W WALTER OF 6351 SOUTH FLORENCE WAY, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80111, HAS FILED TO SELL 94,000 SHARES OF WILLIAMS CONTROLS INC. (TICKER: WMCO) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(WILLIAMS CONTROLS INC. TEL: 303 290-9371)

-30- 431
#90346c0154 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD SCHMIDT OF 111 W WASHINGTON BLVD #2010, CHICAGO, IL 60602, HAS FILED TO SELL 46,735 SHARES OF WORTH CORP. (TICKER: WRTH) THROUGH T R WINSTON & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(WORTH CORP. TEL: 408 436-7467)

-30- 402
#90346c0155 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT H CHENEY OF 8793 TRACY DR, SANDY, UT 84093, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF MERIT MEDICAL SYS INC. (TICKER: MMSI) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(MERIT MEDICAL SYS INC. TEL: 801 263-9300)

-30- 417
#90346c0156 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J COLLINSWORTH OF 5100 MUSTANG TRAIL, PLANO, TX 75093, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF INTELLICALL INC. (TICKER: ICL) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(INTELLICALL INC. TEL: 214 416-0022)

-30- 411
#90346c0157 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEBBIE S OLDS OF 1623 E EDGECLIFF DR, SANDY, UT 84092, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7778)

-30- 387
#90346c0158 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 2, 1990, HFCF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN WASTE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: AW), SOLD 30,308 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 990,325.

-30- 359
#90346c0160 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 2, 1990, R.E. KLINGLE, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN WASTE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: AW), SOLD 3,490 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 114,557.

-30- 339
#90346c0161 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 2, 1990, I. RCS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN WASTE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: AW), SOLD 34,769 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,136,411.

-30- 333
#90346c0162 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 2, 1990, W.F. SCALERA, OFFICER OF AMERICAN WASTE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: AW), SOLD 16,065 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 527,275.

-30- 337
#90346c0163 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 2, 1990, M. SCHMIDT, OFFICER OF AMERICAN WASTE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: AW), SOLD 16,065 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 527,275.

-30- 333
#90346c0164 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 2, 1990, W.M. THOMAS JR., OFFICER OF AMERICAN WASTE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: AW), SOLD 16,065 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 527,275.

-30- 339
#90346c0165 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 2, 1990, D.D. WILSON, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN WASTE SVCS INC.(TICKER: AW), SOLD 77,450 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,542,226.

-30- 353
#90346c0166 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 7, 1990, C.H. JENKINS JR, DIR. OF PUBLIX SUPER MARKETS INC. SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 475,504.

-30- 312
#90346c0168 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 23, 1990, H.M. JENKINS, CHAIRMAN OF PUBLIX SUPER MARKETS INC. SOLD 99,500 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90346c0169 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, B.J. GORDON, DIV. OFFICER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 21,366 SHARES AT $9.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,091.

-30- 348
#90346c0170 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 15, 1990, J. LATSHAW, CHAIRMAN OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: LAT) BOUGHT 29,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 242,698.

-30- 324
#90346c0171 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT. 30, 1990 TO NOV. 23, 1990, J. LATSHAW, CHAIRMAN OF LATSHAW ENTERPRISES INC.(TICKER: LAT) BOUGHT 1,271 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 212,927.

-30- 338
#90346c0172 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, WYOMING OIL & MINERALS INC, BEN. OWNER OF WYOMING OIL

& MINERALS INC. BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,000.

-30- 340
#90346c0173 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 15, 1990, J.A. ROSENFELD, PRES. OF MSA REALTY CORP. (TICKER: SSS), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,924.

-30- 315
#90346c0174 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 6, 1990, R.S. FREED, CHAIRMAN OF 3-D SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TDSS) SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 223,300.

-30- 310
#90346c0176 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 3, 1990, D.G. JANES, DIR. OF WARWICK VALLEY TELEPHONE CO. BOUGHT 750 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 780.

-30- 303
#90346c0177 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 19, 1990 TO NOV. 21, 1990, L.W. SEWELL, DIR. OF FIRST HANOVER BANK (NC) BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES FROM $6.25 TO $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,435.

-30- 334
#90346c0178 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, THOMAS C YUEN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AST RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: ASTA), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,669,536.

-30- 363

#90346c0179 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, ARTHUR F WEINBACH, VP OF AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC. (TICKER: AUD), SOLD 23,000 SHARES AT $53.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,628.

-30- 342
#90346c0180 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1989, MARTIN G CARVER, PRES. OF BANDAG INC. (TICKER: BDG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $77.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,025.

-30- 301
#90346c0181 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, GARY O MARINO, PRES. OF BOCA RATON CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BOCA), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,903,643.

-30- 331
#90346c0182 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO DEC 03, 1990, ROE H HATLEN, CHAIRMAN OF BUFFETS INC. (TICKER: BOCB), SOLD 60,000 SHARES FROM $17.50 TO $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 569,012.

-30- 339
#90346c0184 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, STEVEN G FINN, SHAREHOLDER OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 292,665.

-30- 311
#90346c0185 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JEFFREY S GOODMAN, SHAREHOLDER OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER:

BYTX), SOLD 17,500 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,063.

-30- 316
#90346c0186 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 18, 1990, J BURGESS JAMIESON JR, DIR. OF BYTEX CORP. (TICKER: BYTX), SOLD 70,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 244,722.

-30- 311
#90346c0187 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, JAMES D FARLEY, DIR. OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 21,500 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,006.

-30- 297
#90346c0188 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, HENRY D EPSTEIN, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: CCMM), SOLD 72,000 SHARES FROM $0.50 TO $0.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 143,000.

-30- 400
#90346c0189 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, CARTER HAWLEY EMPLYEE SVGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CARTER HAWLEY HALE STORES INC. (TICKER: CHH), BOUGHT 213,300 SHARES FROM $2.38 TO $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,419,925.

-30- 423
#90346c0190 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, CHEVRON CORP EPSSP, BEN. OWNER OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV), BOUGHT 740 SHARES AT $69.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,198,710.

-30- 319
#90346c0192 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, HAROLD D FRIEND, PRES. OF CONTINENTAL TYRE LTD. (TICKER: CLTL), BOUGHT 11,000 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,000.

-30- 325
#90346c0193 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, HAROLD D FRIEND, PRES. OF CONTINENTAL TYRE LTD. (TICKER: CLTL), BOUGHT 20,500 SHARES FROM $0.38 TO $0.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,000.

-30- 355
#90346c0194 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 16, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, JAMES L CLAYTON, CHAIRMAN OF CLAYTON HOMES INC. (TICKER: CMH), SOLD 100,000 SHARES FROM $13.51 TO $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,502,801.

-30- 362
#90346c0195 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, FMC CORP, BEN. OWNER OF CENTOCOR INC. (TICKER: CNTO), SOLD 1,350,000 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90346c0196 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, RALPH R SHAW, DIR. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 80,000 SHARES FROM $43.25 TO $47.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 457,500.

-30- 350
#90346c0197 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, FRANK L WISEMAN, VP OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 11,000 SHARES AT $39.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 282
#90346c0198 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, WILSON D FARGO, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 21,000 SHARES FROM $48.00 TO $48.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90346c0200 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, ROBERT B GOERGEN, BEN. OWNER OF CONTROL RESOURCES INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CRIX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 349
#90346c0201 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, C WOODROW REA, DIR. OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 687,472.

-30- 312
#90346c0202 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, ROBERT G SWEIFACH, DIR. OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 5,750 SHARES FROM $35.00 TO $39.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,250.

-30- 347
#90346c0203 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 23, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, IRA S EPSTEIN, OFFICER OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $0.04 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,000.

-30- 353
#90346c0204 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, JOHN H UNDERWOOD, PRES. OF DATAKEY INC. (TICKER: DKEY), SOLD 22,000 SHARES FROM $5.25 TO $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 336
#90346c0205 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, R DOUGLAS KAHN, PRES. OF EASEL CORP. (TICKER: EASL), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 261
#90346c0206 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, WILLIAM H WILLIAMSON III, DIR. OF ENGRAPH INC. (TICKER: ENGH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,977.

-30- 316
#90346c0208 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, WILLIAM W WIRTZ, DIR. OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 32,900 SHARES FROM $24.75 TO $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 537,660.

-30- 336
#90346c0209 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, DUDLEY J HUGHES, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST WORLD CHEESE INC. (TICKER: FWCH), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 398,000.

-30- 337
#90346c0210 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, DUDLEY J HUGHES, BEN. OWNER OF FIRST WORLD CHEESE INC. (TICKER: FWCH), SOLD 18,000 SHARES FROM $3.88 TO $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,900.

-30- 368
#90346c0211 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, RONALD M PUNTIL, VP OF GRUBB & ELLIS CO. (TICKER: GBE), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 108,829.

-30- 313
#90346c0212 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, BOND CORNELIUS C, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 27,000 SHARES FROM $6.31 TO $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,618.

-30- 340
#90346c0213 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 29, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, C RICHARD KRAMLICH, DIR. OF GIGA-TRONICS INC. (TICKER: GIGA), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES FROM $6.31 TO $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,618.

-30- 356
#90346c0214 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, GENCORP INC PSP, BEN. OWNER OF GENCORP INC. (TICKER: GY), BOUGHT 504,103 SHARES FROM $5.26 TO $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,472,294.

-30- 344
#90346c0216 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, CHARLES J URSTADT, CHAIRMAN OF HRE PROPERTIES. (TICKER: HRE), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 830,000.

-30- 328
#90346c0217 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, MELINDA BENEDEK, SHAREHOLDER OF IMAGINE FILMS ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: IFEI), SOLD 30,250 SHARES FROM $9.50 TO $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 350
#90346c0218 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, DONALD A LESCH, DIR. OF INDIANA FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: IFSL), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,300.

-30- 317
#90346c0219 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, JODA D ATTAWAY, AFFILIATED PERSON OF IMO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IMD), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,500.

-30- 331
#90346c0220 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, FRED B CHANEY, DIR. OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 305
#90346c0221 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, MICHAEL M EARLEY, OFFICER OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 16,500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,326.

-30- 319
#90346c0222 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, INTERMARK INC PERFORM UNIT TRST, BEN. OWNER OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), SOLD 60,900 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 301,756.

-30- 336
#90346c0224 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, MITCHELL R WOODBURY, VP OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 16,500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,118.

-30- 306
#90346c0225 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, RALPH E CRUMP, DIR. OF IMTEC INC. (TICKER: IMTC), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 332,375.

-30- 295
#90346c0226 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, PETER R KELLOGG, DIR. OF INTERSTATE-JOHNSON LANE INC. (TICKER: IS), BOUGHT 76,100 SHARES FROM $2.13 TO $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 91,100.

-30- 364
#90346c0227 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, JOSEPH C ARAGONA, DIR. OF INTERCIM (TICKER: ITCM), BOUGHT 1,000,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,736,337.

-30- 313
#90346c0228 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, DAVID B SMITH, VP OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), SOLD 74,282 SHARES AT $41.48 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,554,949.

-30- 325
#90346c0229 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, HAROLD B SMITH JR, DIR. OF ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. (TICKER: ITW), SOLD 74,282 SHARES AT $41.48 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,615,061.

-30- 340
#90346c0230 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, KIMBERLY CLARK EMPLOYEE PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF KIMBERLY-CLARK CORP. (TICKER: KMB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $78.91 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,388,080.

-30- 347
#90346c0232 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, EARL E BAKKEN, DIR. OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT), SOLD 37,400 SHARES AT $84.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 394,311.

-30- 304
#90346c0233 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, ROBERT A FOX, DIR. OF MIDLANTIC CORP (TICKER: MIDL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,897.

-30- 298
#90346c0234 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, JAMES R SWARTWOUT, PRES. OF MOREHOUSE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: MIXS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 326
#90346c0235 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, CHARLES J WYLY JR, DIR. OF MICHAELS STORES INC. (TICKER: MKE), BOUGHT 37,500 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 673,236.

-30- 340
#90346c0236 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, SAMUEL E WYLY, CHAIRMAN OF MICHAELS STORES INC. (TICKER: MKE), BOUGHT 12,300 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,278,024.

-30- 346
#90346c0237 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, PAUL G ALLEN, DIR. OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 200,000 SHARES FROM $68.00 TO $68.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,150,000.

-30- 341
#90346c0238 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, SCOTT D OKI, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 40,000 SHARES FROM $68.75 TO $69.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 248,378.

-30- 329
#90346c0240 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, PETER MCKANE, VP OF NICOLET INSTRUMENT CORP. (TICKER: NIC), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,000.

-30- 317
#90346c0241 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, WILLIAM A JONES, DIR. OF THE NOSTALGIA NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NNET), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES FROM $0.56 TO $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 355
#90346c0242 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, CHARLES E SPORCK, PRES. OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORP. (TICKER: NSM), SOLD 60,000 SHARES FROM $3.88 TO $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 559,719.

-30- 363
#90346c0243 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, ROBERT T RAMSDELL, DIR. OF NORWICH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: NSSB), SOLD 32,857 SHARES FROM $2.00 TO $2.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 321
#90346c0244 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, MARTIN C SHAPIRO, DIR. OF NORWICH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: NSSB), SOLD 14,457 SHARES FROM $2.25 TO $2.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90346c0245 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, BCE VENTURE CAPITAL INC, BEN. OWNER OF NATIONAL TRANSACTION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: NTNI), BOUGHT 2,200,000 SHARES AT $0.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,700,000.

-30- 367
#90346c0246 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, HANS W SCHOEPFLIN, DIR. OF THE PRICE CO. (TICKER: PCLB), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $38.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 928,250.

-30- 307
#90346c0248 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, PPG INDUSTRIES INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF PPG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PPG), BOUGHT 73,400 SHARES FROM $38.78 TO $42.84 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,230,022.

-30- 360
#90346c0249 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, FREDERICK W SMITH, SHAREHOLDER OF PROFFITT'S INC. (TICKER: PRFT), SOLD 363,535 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 288
#90346c0250 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, CHARLES E GATES, PRES. OF PRICE/STERN/SLOAN INC. (TICKER: PSSP), BOUGHT 13,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 104,634.

-30- 326
#90346c0251 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, WILLIAM L BATCHELOR, DIR. OF QUAKER CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: QCHM), SOLD 250,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 238,847.

-30- 331
#90346c0252 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, KEN J MCEWAN, OFFICER OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS), SOLD 45,000 SHARES FROM $13.00 TO $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,611.

-30- 335
#90346c0253 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, GEORGE S SARLO, DIR. OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS), SOLD 101,614 SHARES FROM $14.00 TO $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 195,679.

-30- 335
#90346c0254 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, DAVID M SMITH, OFFICER OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS), SOLD 150,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 305,213.

-30- 326
#90346c0256 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, THEO W MULLER, DIR. OF RTI INC. (TICKER: RTII), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $0.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 294
#90346c0257 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, SEARS SVGS & PROFIT SHG FUND, BEN. OWNER OF SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. (TICKER: S), BOUGHT 653,400 SHARES FROM $24.75 TO $26.48 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,168,864.

-30- 383
#90346c0258 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, PAUL R GREENWOOD, DIR. OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), BOUGHT 381,066 SHARES FROM $3.38 TO $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 542,672.

-30- 348
#90346c0259 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, STEPHEN WALSH, DIR. OF SHIRT SHED INC. (TICKER: SHRT), BOUGHT 381,066 SHARES FROM $3.38 TO $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 542,672.

-30- 338
#90346c0260 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, MICHAEL FRANKENBERG, VP OF SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SMLS), SOLD 20,335 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,845.

-30- 331
#90346c0261 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, GLENN R JONES, CHAIRMAN OF JONES SPACELINK LTD. (TICKER: SPLK), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,020,650.

-30- 343
#90346c0262 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, REID W DENNIS, SHAREHOLDER OF SEQUENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: SQNT), SOLD 30,000 SHARES FROM $18.63 TO $19.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 108,710.

-30- 381
#90346c0264 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, TIMOTHY MCDOWELL GRAVEN, PRES. OF STEEL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STTX), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 121,700.

-30- 337
#90346c0265 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, ROGER C LUCAS, VP OF TECHNE CORP. (TICKER: TECH), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $2.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 238,608.

-30- 294
#90346c0266 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 26, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, DONALD L LUCAS, CHAIRMAN OF TRICARE INC. (TICKER: TRCR), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 54,539.

-30- 329
#90346c0267 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 23, 1990, JOHN S HOOVER, SHAREHOLDER OF UNC INC. (TICKER: UNC), SOLD 14,500 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90346c0268 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 02, 1990, JACKSON W MOORE, PRES. OF UNION PLANTERS CORP. (TICKER: UPC), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES FROM $6.75 TO $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,818.

-30- 350
#90346c0269 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, RAY T PARFET JR, DIR. OF THE UPJOHN CO. (TICKER: UPJ), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 253,639.

-30- 303
#90346c0270 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, RAY T PARFET JR, DIR. OF THE UPJOHN CO. (TICKER: UPJ), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,002,928.

-30- 309
#90346c0272 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JEROME S GOODMAN, DIR. OF U.S. HEALTHCARE INC. (TICKER: USHC), SOLD 57,000 SHARES AT $21.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,000.

-30- 322
#90346c0273 12/12/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, EUGENE L BUTLER, PRES. OF WEATHERFORD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WII), SOLD 25,500 SHARES FROM $6.63 TO $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 236,993.

-30- 343
#90346c0274 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, DEAN L BUNTROCK, CHAIRMAN OF WASTE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: WMX), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,071,561.

-30- 333
#90346c0275 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 24, 1990, ROGER W BRITTAIN, DIR. OF THE EXPLORATION CO. OF LOUISIANA INC. (TICKER: XCOL), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.93 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 349
#90346c0276 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, CHARLES F MYERS, VP OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $12.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,000.

-30- 295
#90346c0277 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY ACADIA POLYMERS INC. OWNS 695,547 SHARES (50.90%) OF COMPUDYNE CORP.(TICKER: CDC) OF ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 12, 1990 Corcap Inc. granted Compudyne Corp. a release of all liabilities that Compudyne Corp. might have had to Corcap by reason of a Sept. 29, 1988 warrant agreement between Corcap and Compudyne Corp. under which the Corcap was granted warrants to purchase Compudyne Corp. shares.

PURPOSE:

Release of liabilities under warrant agreement.

-30- 705
#90346c0278 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY QUANTUM FUND N V OF CURACAO, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES OWNS 1,674,933 SHARES (25.00%) OF AUTOFINANCE GROUP INC.(TICKER: AFG) OF BURBANK, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The acquired shares are not registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended or under the state securities laws of any state. Quantum must notify Autofinance Group Inc. before disposing of any acquired shares to that Autofinance Group Inc. may effect a listing on the Boston Stock Exchange, if then required. Should Autofinance Group Inc. file a registration statement for the public offering of stock with the SEC, Quantum has the right to require Autofinance Group Inc. to include the acquired shares. These registration rights are assignable by Quantum to any transferee of the acquired. shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 28, 1990, pursuant to a letter agreement dated Nov. 28, 1990 between Autofinance Group Inc. and Quantum, Quantum acquired 1,674,933 shares for an aggregate total of $5,000,000 in cash.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1256
#90346c0280 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the terms of the option agreement, the option terminated without being exercised on Dec. 9, 1990, 60 days following the termination on Oct. 10, 1990 of an agreement and plan of merger between Andover and First Essex,

(TICKER: FESX) dated as of Feb. 12, 1990.

-30- 479
#90346c0281 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

D.A. ROCKER OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 207,000 SHARES (3.30%) OF NASHUA CORP. (TICKER: NSH) OF NASHUA, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 28, 1990 through Nov. 27, 1990, D.A. Rocker purchased 42,800 shares at a price of $31.73 to $37.87 per share, and sold 204,300 shares at a price of $33.62 to $39.05 per share.

-30- 523
#90346c0282 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

MENTOR EXPLORATION & DEVELOPMENT CO. LTD. OF ONTARIO, CANADA OWNS 3,275,412 SHARES (10.47%) OF AGNICO EAGLE MINES LTD.(TICKER: AEAG) OF ONTARIO, CANADA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 18 and Nov. 19, 1990 Mentor Exploration & Development Co. LTD. purchased 498,400 shares at Cnd.$5.25 to $7.25 per share. Between Sept. 25 and Nov. 30, 1990 Mentor Exploration & Development Co. LTD. purchased 573,000 share purchase warrants at $1.07 to $1.72 per warrant.

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#90346c0283 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

AGNICO-EAGLE MINES LTD. OF ONTARIO, CANADA OWNS 3,696,700 SHARES (32.51%) OF GOLDEX MINES LTD.(TICKER: GLXM) OF ONTARIO, CANADA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 2 and Nov. 20, 1990 Agnico-Eagle Mines LTD. purchased 121,700

shares at $2.50 to $2.70 per share.

-30- 471
#90346c0284 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY J.J. RIGAS OWNS 10,992,544 SHARES (80.10%) OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP.(TICKER: ADEL) OF COUDERSPORT, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Each of J.J. Rigas, et al. is a party to a stockholders' agreement (which agreement defines common stock as both class A and B common stock), as amended wherein they agreed that so long as they are the holders and beneficial owners in the aggregate of not less than 25 percent of the combined voting power of the issued and outstanding common stock, they shall vote their shares of common stock for the election of the directors designated by a majority of the voting power of the shares owned by them as a group.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Feb., 8, 1990 through Nov. 13, 1990, J.J. Rigas, et al. purchased 146,000 shares at a price of $4.83 to 22 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1071
#90346c0285 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY M.J. BERTHELOT OWNS 276,100 SHARES (5.40%) OF TRANSTECHNOLOGY CORP.(TICKER: TT) OF SHERMAN OAKS, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

M.J. Berthelot, et al. have entered into an understanding wherein, in recognition of Visconsi's investment of funds, he will be entitled to a preferential distribution of profits.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 20, 1990 through Nov. 30, 1990, M.J. Berthelot, et al. purchased 13,500 shares at a price of $5.25 to $7.25 per share. On Nov. 29, 1990, Berthelot acquired from Visconsi 100,000 shares at $6 per share, in a private transaction.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 838
#90346c0286 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY H.A. NEWMAN OWNS 212,567 SHARES (9.06%) OF MEDALIST INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: MDIN) OF MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Dec. 3, through Dec. 6, 1990, Howard A. Newman acquired 86,000 shares at an aggregate total price of $841,750.

-30- 474
#90346c0288 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - Pampa, Texas-based Service Fracturing Co. (TICKER: SERF) has acquired Service Acid Inc., a Kansas-based oilfield acidizing company, for $2.35 million. Service Acid stimulates oil and gas-well production through acid treatments, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 12, 1990.

-30- 554
#90346c0289 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - Wilmington, Del.-based General Waterworks Corp. has acquired all of the operating assets and certain liabilities of Albuquerque Utilities Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of New York-based AMREP Corp., for $41.7 million, including the assumption of $15 million in long-term debt.

Following the deal, General Waterworks, which is a wholly owned unit of GWC Corp., contributed the assets to its Rio Rancho Utilities Corp. subsidiary.

Rio Rancho will use the assets to provide water supplies and sewage-collection and treatment services in Rio Rancho, N.M., according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 12, 1990.

-30- 898
#90346c0290 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CANON SALES CO. INC. OWNS 1,720,793 SHARES (10.00%) OF INTERACTIVE MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES INC.(TICKER: IMTX) OF SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Canon Sales Co. Inc. purchased the shares on an unspecified date for $1 million.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 469
#90346c0291 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

I.W. MORRIS III OWNS 101,504 SHARES (7.40%) OF PRIME BANCORP.(TICKER: PSAB) OF PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 14 and 15, 1988 I.W. Morris III purchased 56,304 shares at $11.50 to $13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 462

#90346c0292 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY HARNISCHFEGER INDUSTRIES INC. OF MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN OWNS 3,469,900 SHARES (19.40%) OF MEASUREX CORP.(TICKER: MX) OF CUPERTINO, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 26 and Dec. 11, 1990 Harnischfeger Industries Inc., et al. purchased 190,700 shares at $15.13 to $16.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

To acquire up to 20 percent of Measurex Corp. voting securities.

-30- 597
#90346c0293 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 10, 1990 P. Wilmerding, et al. requested the withdrawal of the prior notice under the Federal Change in Banking Control Act which they had filed on Nov. 9, 1990 seeking approval to acquire up to 24.99 percent of the outstanding common shares of USA Bancorp. Inc.(TICKER: USAB). The request was made in connection with P. Wilmerding, et al. desire to submit a new notice which would include additional specificity with regard to P. Wilmerding, et al.s' plans for operational changes to USA Bancorp. Inc. due to the recent reports of operational results of USA Bancorp. Inc. for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

-30- 849
#90346c0294 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

SCHREIDER & COMPANY INC. OWNS 2,942,410 SHARES (34.73%) OF WEPCO ENERGY CO. (TICKER: WNRG) OF DENVER, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 2, 1990 Schreider & Co. Inc. exercised an option to purchase 1,666,667 Wepco Energy Co. shares for $16,666. Schreider & Co. Inc. satisfied the purchase price through a reduction of a liability of Wepco Energy Co. in favor of the Schreider & Co. Inc.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 621
#90346c0296 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The option held by General Electric Co.(TICKER: GE) to purchase Cherne Medical Inc. shares was allowed to expire on Dec. 1, 1990 unexercised. General Electric Co. no longer has beneficial ownership over any Cherne Medical Inc. (TICKER: CHNE) common shares.

-30- 451
#90346c0297 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

C.H. HOWARD OWNS 1,388,148 SHARES (21.49%) OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) OF IRVING, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 16 and 30, 1990 C.H. Howard sold 25,000 shares at $5.50 to $7 per share in connection with provisions of agreements made by him with broker-dealers relating to certain indebtedness of C.H. Howard.

-30- 555
#90346c0298 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY R.J. AVILA OWNS 275,500 SHARES (8.40%) OF LEISURE CONCEPTS INC.

(TICKER: LCIC) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 15 and Dec. 3, 1990 R.J. Avila, et al. purchased 36,000 shares at $2.03 to $2.56 per share.

-30- 453
#90346c0299 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC. OWNS 1,281,697 SHARES (12.75%) OF THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: TII) OF LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 11 and Dec. 10, 1990 Gabelli Funds Inc., et al. purchased 38,250 shares at $9.50 to $10.38 per share and sold 64,437 shares at $9.38 to $11.00 per share. Gabelli Funds Inc., et al. lost beneficial ownership over 30,400 shares due to changes of dispositive power and beneficial ownership of Gamco Investors.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 721
#90346c0300 12/12/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 11, 1990 Justin Industries Inc.(TICKER: JSTN) sent a letter to shareholders recommending that they not tender their Justin Industries Inc. shares to the Sutherland/Rosenstein Group.

-30- 407
#90346d0000 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
COLOMBO (DEC. 12) - At least 26 people, including an officer and seven soldiers, have died in a new upsurge of violence by Tamil guerrillas in Sri Lanka's troubled northeast, a military spokesman here said Wednesday.

The attacks are believed carried out by the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) all in the eastern part of the island Tuesday and Wednesday.

A defence ministry statement said at least six LTTE men were killed in a clash with troops and two more committed suicide during a police commando search of a Tamil refugee camp in eastern Ampara district.

The LTTE is continuing a bloody separatist campaign for the island's two million Tamil minority concentrated in Sri Lanka's northern and eastern regions.

The group has also tried to drive out Sinhalese and Moslems living in the two areas. Sinhalese are the majority community in Sri Lanka, but they form a minority in the Tamil-dominated north and east.

The militants abruptly ended 14 months of peace talks with Colombo to resume fighting from June 11. Since then, more than 5,000 people have died in bitter fighting involving government forces, rival Tamil militants and the LTTE.

-30- 1343

#90346d0060 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (DEC. 12) - Britons flown out of Kuwait had a thin, pale look to them early Wednesday as they arrived at Gatwick Airport near London: many had spent the last four months in hiding and short of food.

Among those who had seen little daylight since August 2 was Brian Hogg, a resident of Kuwait for 12 years. He hollowed out a hidey-hole in the floor. Whenever Iraqi soldiers turned up in his district, he would disappear under the carpet with water and a tube to breathe by.

Often he spent an hour or more huddled in the 40-centimetre deep hole. More than four or five hours would have been fatal, he said.

''The biggest danger was looting soldiers,'' said Christopher Bell, who hid in his eighth-storey flat. To minimise the risk, he altered the wiring of the apartment house lift so that it would not stop on the eighth floor.

Gerald Murthwaite, 61, barricaded himself with a friend in a flat. When soldiers came, we tried to frighten them away with animal noises,'' he said. ''Five times we chased them away with sticks.''

Many Britons held out in apartment buildings where all the other residents had fled. Telephones and broadcasts by the British Broadcasting Corporation (Bbc) World Service were their only contact with the outside world.

A few dressed up as Arabs to venture out on the streets.

-30- 1515
#90346d0160 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WARSAW (DEC. 12) - President-elect Lech Walesa was expected Wednesday to name Jan Olszewski, a 60-year-old lawyer and former Solidarity adviser as Poland's next prime minister.

Mr. Olszewski would replace Tadeusz Mazowiecki, eastern Europe's first non-communist post-war government leader, who resigned after being beaten into third place in presidential elections here.

Walesa aides in Gdansk said the next government would be made up almost entirely of new faces and there was no question, at least for the time being, of forming any political coalition with the Mazowiecki faction.

Finance Minister Leszek Balcerowicz, 43 and Finance Minister Krzysztof Skubiszewski, 64 may however retain their portfolios, several reports said.

Mr. Olszewski is a former adviser to the Solidarity union leadership and is close to the Catholic Church authorities.

He acted as lawyer for opponents of the former communist regime at several political trials. He is reputed to be a good organiser and served as deputy president of the Lech Walesa support committee. He is appreciated for his integrity and readiness to enter into dialogue.

Gazeta, a newspaper close to Mr. Mazowiecki, said Wednesday that the ministries of industry, construction, labour, privatisation, education and culture were "certain" to change hands.

-30- 1536
#90346d0250 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NIAMEY (DEC. 12) - About 5,000 Chadians have sought refuge at N'Guigmi, a border town 1,500 kilometers (930 miles) east of here on the shores of Lake Chad, the daily newspaper "Le Sahel" reported Tuesday.

The first refugees started arriving December 2 as rebel leader Idriss Deby advanced on the Chadian capital, Ndjamena, to seize power from former president Hissein Habre.

The refugees, including former Chadian military and civil officials, most of whom came from three border districts in Chad, are living with Niger's local population or in abandoned buildings.

Niger's President Ali Saibou announced December 4 that the armed Chadian refugees had surrendered their weapons to Niger's army.

Emergency supplies of food, medicine and blankets have been sent to the region but a major relief effort is needed, the paper said.

"We have shared bread and blankets with the N'Guigmi people. We want to thank them infinitely," the paper quoted one refugee as saying.

The government has called on the international community for relief assistance to help the financially-strapped country cope with the refugee influx.

Organizations including the International Committee of the Red Cross, the U.N. World Food Program (WFP) and the French Medicins Sans Frontieres (MSF-Doctors without Borders) have visited the refugees, Le Sahel reported.

-30- 1531

#90346d0260 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 12) - Bank of Japan governor Yasushi Mieno said Wednesday that the central bank would maintain its tight monetary policy for the time being due to lingering uncertainty in the Gulf and upward pressure on prices.

"There is no turnaround in the economy which would require any change in monetary policy," Mr. Mieno told a news conference.

The central bank governor said that Japanese companies were still "cautious" about the situation in the Gulf. "There is no guarantee that crude oil prices will stay at the present 25 to 26 dollars a barrel," he added.

Mr. Mieno noted that recent declines in oil prices had reduced inflationary pressures although this was offset by upward pressure on wages arising from Japan's acute labour shortage. A recent decline in Japanese business confidence is "natural" as the Gulf crisis is "confusing," he said.

The central bank released a quarterly report Tuesday showing that Japanese business confidence deteriorated slightly in the three months to November amid growing pessimism in the paper, chemical, ceramic and steel sectors.

But the overall outlook for business conditions was "fairly high" among big manufacturers despite fears of higher input, distribution and financial costs, the bank said.

-30- 1444

#90346d0390 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 12) - Japan's Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu indicated Wednesday that his government would not yield to foreign demands to liberalise imports of rice, despite being deeply divided on the issue.

"We will earnestly explain Japan's position and hold talks in accordance with the principle of self-sufficiency," he told parliament, referring to the Uruguay Round of talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

The four-year Uruguay Round was supposed to have ended with a ministerial meeting in Brussels last week but the talks were suspended after the European Community (EC) refused to accept a Swedish compromise on agriculture. Japan and South Korea were also blamed for contributing to the stalemate.

But International Trade and Industry Minister Kabun Muto indicated that Japan should modify its tough stance. "Japan must reach a fair compromise on issues including agriculture," he told the parliament.

-30- 1125

#90346d0410 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (DEC. 12) - Prospects for South Africa's wheat crop are so poor that it could come in under the Wheat Board's downwardly revised estimate of 1.75 million tonnes, Wheat Board chairman Eddie Pienaar said here Wednesday.

South Africa would have to import as much as half a million tonnes of wheat for domestic human consumption, Winter Grain Producers' Organisation chairman Japie Neethling told state-run radio.

Drought in grain-producing areas of northern and western Transvaal and the Orange Free State could push farmers nationwide some 15 billion rands (six billion dollars) into the red, the financial daily Business Day reported Wednesday.

National Maize Producers' Organisation economist Kit le Clus told the paper maize farmers invested around two billion rands (800 million dollars) in the current harvest, and crop failure would mean the sequestration of farms.

He also warned that South Africa's domestic maize requirements of 6.5 million tonnes would be met only if there were good, regular rains for the next three months. Maize porridge is the staple of black South Africans.

Economists have warned that maize, as well as wheat, may have to be imported in 1991 for the first time in years.

-30- 1401

#90346d0570 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Oslo (DEC. 12) - Helicopters Wednesday took off 37 crew from a hurricane-lashed British oil rig in the North Sea.

The decision to evacuate some of the crew was taken after winds and waves had smashed all lifeboats on the rig, Glomar Artic 3, some 40 sea miles northwest

of Stavanger.

No further evacuations were planned at the moment, Norwegian coastguards said.

A danish rig, Maersk Vinlander, was adrift Wednesday in the North Sea with a mostly-British crew of 56. The rig had been on tow towards Stavanger when a cable snapped in heavy seas.

Coastguards said the storm was abating and a new cable was soon expected to be attached to the rig. There was no need to evacuate the crew.

-30- 874
#90346d0870 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 12) - The million-strong mainly black Congress of South African Trade Unions (COSATU) said here Wednesday it had lobbied Italian premier Guilio Andreotti in Rome against dropping sanctions.

Italy currently holds the six-month rotating presidency of the 12-nation European Community (EC), whose summit in Rome on Thursday is to discuss policy on South Africa.

A statement issued here on behalf of COSATU said its delegates had told Mr. Andreotti that "the much-publicised changes in South Africa have not had a real impact on the lives of black workers."

-30- 774
#90346d1410 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 12) - The British balance of payments showed a reduced deficit of 3.5 billion pounds (6.8 billion dollars) in the quarter to September official provisional seasonally-corrected figures showed on Wednesday.

This compared with a deficit of 4.91 billion pounds in the previous quarter.

The trade balance showed a deficit of 3.79 billion pounds, and trade in so-called invisibles such as tourism and insurance showed a surplus of 280 million pounds.

In the second quarter the trade balance showed a deficit of 5.18 billion pounds, and invisible trade showed a surplus of 266 million pounds.

The deficit so far this year was 12.93 billion pounds (25 billion dollars) compared with 19.1 billion pounds in 1989.

-30- 917
#90346d2120 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 12) - France is poised to ban tobacco advertising and severely curtail alcohol publicity in what will be a victory for health minister Claude Evin in the teeth of a powerful tobacco and drinks lobby.

If the Senate votes as expected in favour of the measure Thursday, the law will be in force by January 1, 1993.

French deputies at the National Assembly voted 321 to 234 in favour Tuesday.

In support of the measure Mr. Evin and his team of five leading doctors countered a wave of protest by stressing that alcohol and tobacco are responsible for 100,000 premature deaths a year in France at a cost to society of some 70 billion francs (14 billion dollars).

But Georges Hage, a communist deputy, said "we'll smoke as much, we won't drink less, but what we buy will be less French and more American."

The new law would mean a total ban on any form of direct or indirect advertising or propaganda by tobacco companies. It would also forbid them and alcohol companies from sponsoring sports or other events.

Alcohol publicity would still be allowed in the written press except in childrens' or adolescents' press. Advertising would also be allowed by commercial radio stations at times when youngsters were not expected to be listening.

Alcohol companies would have to pay a tax the equivalent of 10 per cent of their advertising budget to fund a drinking education and prevention programme.

Smoking, which is already banned in public places such as the post office and other state administrations, would also be banned in places where people meet collectively (offices, schools) except in areas reserved exclusively for smokers.

Service stations would be forbidden from selling alcoholic drinks to take away between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

The advertising ban on tobacco would be introduced gradually. In the written press space for tobacco advertising would in 1991 be cut by a third compared to the average space occupied between 1974-75 and by two thirds in 1992.

Jean-Marie Balestre, president of the International Federation of Automobile Sports said the sponsoring ban would cost his sport 350 million francs (70 million dollars) in lost support.

But health ministry officials argue that there is enough potential money from other companies to more than compensate for the loss from the tobacco and alcohol firms.

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#90346d2150 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (DEC. 12) - Nigeria and Britain have signed an agreement on protection of existing and future investments, British minister of state for trade Tim Sainsbury stated here Wednesday.

The accord, known as the Investment Promotion and Promotion Agreement, signed Tuesday in Abuja, Nigeria's future capital, by Mr Sainsbury and the Nigerian minister of industries, retired air vice marshal Mohammed Yahaya, will provide reassurance for foreign investors concerned about the risk of having their investments confiscated without adequate compensation, the British minister told journalists.

Britain has signed such agreements with more than 50 countries, said Mr. Sainsbury, who arrived here Sunday accompanied by five senior British business directors, all of whom have an interest in trading or investing in Nigeria, he also said.

Britain imported goods worth at least 168.37 million pounds sterling in the first 10 months of this year as against the 96.77 million pounds worth in the same period last year, the minister added.

The volume of trade between the two nations was officially valued at 518 million pounds last year, but Nigerian trade officials complain of trade imbalance which, they say, is in favour of Britain.

The imbalance is due to the fact that Britain also produces oil, Nigeria's number one foreign exchange earner, said the minister, whose team leaves Lagos Wednesday for Accra for a two-day visit.

-30- 1626
#90346d2170 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK (DEC. 12) - The French government has started a feasibility study on setting up an aviation maintenance centre in Thailand, an official with French aircraft maker Aerospatiale said here Wednesday.

The study is being undertaken by SOGERMA, an Aerospatiale subsidiary which does aircraft maintenance and repair work, and could take up to six months, said Francois David, vice president for international affairs with

Aerospatiale.

It will also consider whether Thailand is the only possible market for the centre or whether other countries could also be serviced, Mr. David told a news conference here.

Aerospatiale is represented at the Asian Defense Services Exhibition and Conference '90 - an international defense exhibition - which opened here Wednesday.

The French aircraft-maker had also proposed building French Super-Puma helicopters in cooperation with Thailand, but had not yet heard from the Thai government, Mr. David said.

French Secretary of State for Defense Gerard Renon was also here to attend the defense exhibition and to meet senior Thai military officials, the French Embassy here said.

Mr. Renon, who arrived Tuesday, was to meet the supreme commander of the Thai armed forces, General Sunthorn Kongsompong, and the defense ministry secretary general, General Wanchai Ruangtrakul, the embassy said.

-30- 1551

#90346d2410 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

INVERNESS, Scotland (DEC. 12) - Six members of a Scottish fishing vessel went missing Wednesday during a storm in the North Sea which also forced the evacuation of several offshore oil platforms, coast guard officials said.

Weather officials, meanwhile, issued a flood warning for Britain's entire east coast.

According to a coast guard spokesman, an Inverness-based fishing vessel, the Premier, capsized during a storm off the Shetland Islands in 120 kilometer per hour (75 mile per hour) winds and 30 meter (100-foot) waves.

A British Royal Air Force Nimrod reconnaissance plane and three coast guard helicopters had sighted the overturned hull of the boat and an empty lifeboat.

Coast guard officials also said that more than 100 "non-essential" offshore oil workers were evacuated by helicopter on Wednesday from six platforms in the North Sea which broke loose from their moorings.

One of the platforms, the Glomar Arctic 3, was hit by a huge wave which slightly injured five workers and swept away two life-boats.

A nearby rescue ship, the Seaboard Swallow, was also having difficulties in the heavy seas because of an electricity failure.

-30- 1371
#90346d2420 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ANKARA (DEC. 12) - Visiting Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akhbar Velayati and Turkish officials voiced hopes for a peaceful end to the Gulf crisis at the first round of official talks here Wednesday.

Following a 90-minute private meeting with Velayati, Turkish Foreign Minister Ahmet Kurtcebe Alptemocin noted the two countries' location in an important region, saying ''the peace and stability of this region is of utmost importance for the world peace''.

Velayati expressed hopes that the crisis will be resolved peacefully with the withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait and the U.S.-led ''foreign forces'' would leave the area.

Foreign ministry sources said at the official talks, the two sides expressed similar views as to the ''future of the region'' and agreed on the need for a peaceful solution ''on the basis of U.N. resolutions''.

They also stressed the importance of cooperation between Iran, Pakistan and Turkey within the Economic Cooperation Organisation they have set up.

Velayati also met President Turgut Ozal and Premier Yildirim Akbulut. Recalling his talks with Iranian leaders in Teheran last month, Ozal praised the steady development of ties between the two countries through such contacts.

Velayeti leaves Thursday following a second round of talks with Alptemocin and other Turkish officials.

-30- 1533
#90346d2470 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 12) - Chancellor of the Exchequer Norman Lamont on Wednesday ruled out any devaluation of sterling within the European Monetary System (EMS).

The new chancellor told the House of Commons that "Devaluation is fool's gold".

He said that "Far from producing the sustained stimulus to output that they desire, countries which adopt the course of devaluation get what they deserve - inflation".

Sterling has been weak recently within the EMS, which requires member currencies to maintain their values against other member currencies within certain limits.

-30- 761
#90346d2550 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KARACHI (DEC. 12) - A 40-member Pakistani scientific expedition sailed out of Karachi on Wednesday for Antarctica to establish a research station on the continent.

Observers said Pakistan wanted to beat the 1991 deadline set under the Law of Seas conference for allowing new expeditions into the frozen continent, which is already being explored by 18 other nations.

Experts from Pakistan's Institute of Oceanography and the armed forces are participating in the expedition. The military will provide logistic support to the expedition, which is expected to complete its initial research mission in three months.

-30- 789
#90346d2750 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
London (DEC. 12) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,301.00 (1,275.00) 1,306.50 (1,286.50)
Lead 315.50 (325.25) 325.25 (335.25)
Zinc Sh 1,321.50 (1,309.00) 1,290.50 (1,280.50)
Tin 5,747.50 (5,760.00) 5,815.00 (5,822.50)
Aluminium 1,513.00 (1,503.00) 1,550.50 (1,540.50)
Nickel 8,087.50 (8,175.00) 8,005.00 (8,062.50)

(the last three in dollars per ton)

-30- 668
#90346d2980 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HARARE (DEC. 12) - The Zimbabwe parliament Wednesday aproved legislation it hopes will quench the land thirst of thousands of peasant families by what legal experts see as the nationalisation of white farmers' land.

After President Robert Mugabe signs the bill into law, the government will be able to seize land, and pay compensation at the rate it chooses. The legislation expressly prevents aggrieved landowners from appealing to the courts.

The government sees the impending law as a tool by which it plans to absorb five million hectares of white-owned farm land, most of it in the fertile maize and tobacco belt in the northeast, and distribute it among 110,000 peasant

farming families.

Since independence in 1980 the government has bought three million hectares from white farmers, who now own 12 million hectares, or 29 percent of the country's land. Six million peasants live on 49 percent of the land.

The government's action has been condemned by local and international human rights groups, including by Enock Dumbutshena, Zimbabwe's first black chief justice, who said it ''flies in the face of all accepted norms of modern society, and the rule of law.''

Observers also predict it will have a negative effect on overseas aid as well as on a major foreign investment drive the government is embarking on.

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#90346d3020 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Moscow (DEC. 12) - A bomb exploded near the main entrance to a building used by the Latvian Communist Party Central Committee on Wednesday, causing damage but no casualties, Tass news agency said.

The party's press service told the news agency that the pre-dawn blast ''was of a blatantly political nature'', but did not go into details.

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GHOR, Jordan (DEC. 12) - Jordan is taking steps to halt commando raids from its territory into Israel in order to avert punishing Israeli retaliatory strikes, Jordanian army officials have reported.

"We're trying to prevent infiltrations, as Jordan cannot cope with the fallout from such operations under the current circumstances," an army captain said.

The officer, entrenched in his observation post overlooking the Jordan River and the fertile Ghor Valley, said Jordan had bolstered security along the 380-kilometer (236-mile) cease-fire line with Israel.

Infiltration operations have surged from eight in 1989 to 16 in 1990 and have coincided with an upsurge in Moslem fundamentalism, which advocates martyrdom for the Palestinian cause.

The Jordanian army must also ensure that the 100,000 Ghor residents, including farmers, agricultural workers and shepherds, respect security directives.

To reach the Jordan River from the highway crossing the Ghor, a visitor must first allow his vehicle to be searched and hand over his identity card to Jordanian soldiers in return for a pass specifying precisely when he plans to

leave the border region.

Soldiers have set up 13 fixed checkpoints and several mobile barricades on the 104-kilometer (65-mile) stretch of road from the northern Dead Sea to a point just south of Lake Tiberias.

Jordanian troops also conduct foot patrols and bar the parking of vehicles along the east bank of the Jordan River.

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#90346d3130 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) - President George Bush Wednesday was set to suspend temporarily the Jackson-Vanik amendment, resuming normal trade relations between the Soviet Union and the United States and paving the way for U.S. aid to Moscow.

Mr. Bush's decision should reinforce generally the U.S.-Soviet trade agreement signed in Washington last May 3 at the summit between Mr. Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

The amendment, which became law in 1974, restricts granting the coveted "most favored nation" (MFN) trading status to socialist countries which do not permit free emigration.

A bill to liberalize emigration policy has stalled in the Soviet parliament, but Mr. Bush has stressed that the Soviet Union already has allowed vast numbers of Soviet Jews to emigrate.

U.S. Jewish groups have supported the waiver of the Jackson-Vanik law in light of the record numbers of Jews authorized to leave the Soviet Union. Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir on an official visit to Washington this week said he favored suspending the amendment for at least a year.

The law, which affects about 10 other countries accused of failing to respect the basic rights of their nationals, sets restrictions including high tariffs on products from those countries imported into the United States.

Mr. Gorbachev was awaiting the amendment's suspension in hopes of a prompt concession of U.S. agricultural credits which would enable Moscow to purchase the basic foodstuffs it needs to address serious food shortages in the Soviet Union.

U.S. businesses are enthusiastic about trade liberalization with the Soviet Union due to the enormous perceived potential of its markets, in which European and particularly German firms already have stepped up their operations.

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#90346d3160 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LISBON (DEC. 12) - Next year will bring austerity to Portugal, following parliamentary approval Wednesday of a budget marked by what the government calls necessary adjustments due to the Gulf crisis and preparing the economy for changes in the European Community (EC).

Following a marathon debate, Portuguese deputies approved the major guidelines for the economy next year, with only minor changes by comparison with the approval on first reading given in November.

The budget is the work of the ruling Social Democratic Party (PSD) of Prime Minister Anibal Cavaco Silva, which has an absolute majority in Parliament and was the only party voting for the 1991 budget.

The leftist opposition (Socialists and Communists) voted against the new budget, as did the rightist Christians of the Social democratic Center (CDS) and the Democratic Renovation Party, which follows former President General Ramalho Eanes.

Finance Minister Miguel Beleza referred to the need for budgetary "austerity", stressing that the performance of the Portuguese economy must come closer to the standard of its EC partners, particularly in light of the prospect of Portuguese participation in EC economic and monetary union and preparations for the EC single (unified) market of 1993.

The budget is based on the assumption of 3.5 percent real growth of gross domestic product next year, compared with an average of 4.3 percent a year during the last five years, while the average EC rate is on the order of three percent.

The document forecasts an inflation rate for next year of 11 percent, which is called optimistic by both the opposition and the experts. The critics note that in October, the latest month for which information is available, consumer prices rose by 1.3 percent, which extrapolates to 13 percent a year, while last year had 12.7 percent inflation.

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#90346d3330 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) - The United States will give the Soviet Union up to 3 billion dollars in export credits to purchase agricultural produce, congressional sources said Wednesday.

An official announcement was expected later in the day after President George Bush confers with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, who is currently visiting the United States.

The sources said Bush would suspend for one year the Jackson-Vanik amendment, which allows such credits only to countries that observe a policy of free emigration.

Bush indicated earlier in the day that the Soviet Union was liberalising its emigration policy when he pointed out that this year Moscow had allowed 150,000 Soviet citizens to leave.

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#90346d3370 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKOZA, South Africa (DEC. 12) - Angry Zulus Wednesday chased black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela and a high-profile party of diplomats, clerics and trade unionists from their single-sex hostels here, witnesses said.

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#90346d3500 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (DEC. 12) - Members of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) gathered here on Wednesday for a two-day session five days after the failure of the GATT conference in Brussels that was supposed to conclude the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade talks.

Meeting chairman John Weekes, the Canadian ambassador to GATT, said: "In fact, only a few days distant from the closure of the meeting in Brussels, we share some sense of collective frustration and lost opportunity.

"That said, this is not the time for despondent introspection. Nor, indeed, is it a time for recrimination."

Speakers following Mr. Weekes avoided touching closely on the disputes that caused the failure, at least temporarily, of the four-year Uruguay Round.

The Peruvian representative said: "We should not overemphasize the importance of the Uruguay Round", while European Community ambassador Tran Van-Thinh said "we should not be upset by missing the deadline" of December 7 for ending the trade talks.

The ambassador also said on Wednesday that the EC had obtained the GATT waiver it had requested last October in connection with transition measures taken by Germany to facilitate integration of the former East Germany's economy into the German economy.

The steps had been taken to respect East German trade commitments to its former East Bloc partners.

The required waiver to GATT rules was approved by 56 countries, while three voted no (United States, Japan and Hong Kong), and five abstained.

Germany is replacing trade agreements with the Bloc with import quotas and very low duties for imports of those countries into Germany, with higher duties in case import volumes become too large. The United States wanted the waiver request to be discussed by a specific working group.

In addition, U.S. Canadian conflicts concerning ice-cream, beer and pork might be touched on at the two-day meeting here.

Members will also be asked to vote on El Salvador's application to join GATT.

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#90346d3590 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (DEC. 12) - Two Americans have climbed 22,346-ft Mt. Amadablam without oxygen.

Conrad Daniel Anker, 28, a mountain guide, and Chris Noble 35, a photo journalist, reached the summit of Mt. Amadablam via the south ridge, the ministry of tourism said. They were part of a six member expedition.

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#90346d3650 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) - Angolan rebel leader Jonas Savimbi held an unprecedented 30-minute meeting with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze here Wednesday, describing the talks as "a vitally important step" to bring about peace in his war-torn homeland.

Secretary of State James Baker met separately at the State Department with Pedro de Castro Van Dunem, foreign minister of the Moscow-backed Angolan Government. After the meeting, Mr. Van Dunem would only say that the "problems of peace in Angola" had been discussed.

Emerging from his first meeting with a senior Soviet official, Mr. Savimbi, leader of the U.S.-backed rebel Union for the Total Liberation of Angola (UNITA), said it was "a vitally important step to achieving peace and democracy in Angola."

The Soviet foreign minister described the talks as "good and amicable" and said they had touched on the "fundamental approaches of national reconciliation, the conduct of free elections and the ceasefire."

Before conferring with Mr. Savimbi, Mr. Shevardnadze held talks at the Soviet mission with Mr. Van Dunem, who said the "most important issue is an agreement on a political platform so we can create the conditions to sign a ceasefire agreement as soon as possible."

At the end of a two-day meeting in Houston, Texas, Tuesday, Mr. Baker and his Soviet counterpart had issued a joint communique calling for a ceasefire,

participation of UNITA in Angola's political life, free and fair elections under international supervision and an end to all arms deliveries to the belligerents as soon as a ceasefire comes into effect.

In recent months, the two superpowers have been urging their respective Angolan allies to wind down their 15-year-old civil war which has claimed 600,000 lives in the oil-rich former Portugese colony.

"If there is an agreement on a ceasefire, it would be easier for us to address the issue of cutting arms supplies...A very interesting process is getting under way," Mr. Shevardnadze said.

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#90346d3700 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (DEC. 12) - Zimbabwe has deployed additional security forces along the border with Mozambique following the killing of 81 Zimbabweans since January last year, allegedly by the Mozambique National Resistence, Renamo, President Robert Mugabe said on wednesday.

In his third state of the nation address before parliament, carried in Wednesday's edition of The Herald newspaper, Mr. Mugabe accused Renamo of injuring 79 Zimbabweans, abducting a further 79, and committing 59 acts of robbery.

''In addition Renamo has sporadically disrupted our trade routes in Mozambique during the year,'' he said.

The government was concerned that people living in areas open to rebel attacks had to be adequately protected.

''Appropriate steps have therefore been taken in that regard, including the deployment of additional security forces to the affected areas,' said Mr. Mugabe.

He said he was confident that there were signs that peace might soon come to Mozambique and, possibly to the region as a whole, probably resulting in an end to cross-border incursions and destabilising activities.

Mr. Mugabe has vowed never to allow the rebels to take power in Mozambique and stationed 10,000 troops in the country.

In response, Renamo, whose 15-year bush campaign against the socialist Frelimo government has been described by the U.S. state department as particularly brutal, ''declared war'' on Zimbabwe in 1987.

On friday, Zimbabwe's home affairs minister, Moven Mahachi appealed to Renamo to stop brutalising innocent Zimbabweans. He told journalists here that Zimbabwe's 1,000-kilometre (625 miles) border with Mozambique was too long to guard fully but added that Zimbabwe had no intention of following South Africa's example and erecting an electric fence.

In its first official reaction, last week Zimbabwe's foreign minister, Nathan Shamuyarira, said Zimbabwe would honour the partial ceasefire signed between the Mozambican government and Renamo in Rome on December 1, and will shortly begin redeployment the estimated 10,000 troops stationed in Mozambique.

Under the agreement, Zimbabwean troops will be restricted to the rail corridors from the capital Maputo and Beira Port into the southern african interior. The redeployment should be completed by January 5.

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#90346d3820 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) - A group of Israeli citizens have armed and trained professional hit men from Colombia's infamous Medellin drug cartel on the Caribbean island of Antigua, the Washington Post said Wednesday.

The role of the Israelis, some of whom were former senior military officers, was alleged in a report compiled by the Antiguan government that the Post managed to obtain.

It said the author of the report, British lawyer Louis Blom-Cooper, accused the Israeli arms factory Israel Military Industries (Imi) of negligence in not reporting fraud when it noticed irregularities in its arms sales to Antigua.

Blom-Cooper also said in the 300-page report that he had been ''somewhat surprised by the lack of overt interest'' in the matter by U.S. law enforcement officials, who were little help to him in gaining records of U.S. bank transactions in the affair.

The investigation was triggered by the discovery that 500 automatic weapons and 200,000 rounds of ammunition sold by Israel to Antigua in 1988 had wound up in the hands of a Colombian drug baron.

The Israelis named in the report were retired Lieutenant-Colonel Yair Klein, retired Brigadier General Pinchas Shachar, and Maurice Sarfati, an Antigua-based melon farmer.

The paper quoted Danny Naveh, a spokesman of Israeli Defence Ministry Moshe Arens, as rejecting the report's criticism of Imi.

''If there was any negligence,'' he said, ''it was not by Israel Military

Industries, but by people in Antigua.''

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#90346d3960 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC. 12) - The European Commission, in a document to be presented to the European Community (EC) summit in Rome on Saturday, has asked that a future European central bank (Eurofed) be granted total independence.

The document asks for several changes in the European Community's founding Treaty of Rome, which the Commission, executive arm of the EC, thinks necessary for a single European currency and economic and monetary union (EMU).

A diplomat told Agence France-Presse on Wednesday that the document is aimed at facilitating the work of European heads of government and ministers gathered in the Italian capital.

Germany wants an eventual Eurofed to be fully autonomous, like the German Bundesbank, but France wants its activities made "interdependent" on decisions by finance ministers of the EC Twelve.

The Commission document argues that neither Eurofed nor any central bank in an EC member state should ask for or accept instructions from the Community or governments, the diplomat said.

Member states should adopt the same approach to their own central banks.

Under Commission plans, Eurofed would become operational from the start of the second phase of EMU, coordinating monetary policies within the EC and developing the instruments necessary to introduce a single currency.

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#90346d3970 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC. 12) - The European Community (EC) may agree to renew for one year a commercial accord on corn with the United States, whose expiration threatens to unleash a trade war between the two parties, informed sources said Wednesday.

The treaty is to be discussed here Friday by European Agriculture Commissioner Ray McSharry and U.S. Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter, according to the same sources.

The European Commission on Wednesday authorized Mr. McSharry to show some flexibility regarding the agreement, which is favorable to the United States, and to accept its prolongation for one year under certain conditions, the sources indicated.

However, the United States would then be expected to renounce requesting an additional extension after 1991 and to make concessions on other pending bilateral agricultural questions, the sources said.

Primary among these was the U.S. decision to ban until next summer the importation of wine -- mainly French -- containing a fungicide known as procymidone.

The agreement between the EC and the United States authorizes the United States to export some two million tons of corn and 300,000 tons of sorgum to Spain and Portugal under reduced tariffs.

The accord, instituted in 1987 to compensate the United States for its losses caused by Spain and Portugal's adhesion to the Common Market, had been scheduled to expire at the end of this year.

If the accord is not renewed, Washington has threatened to impose duties of 200 per cent on European agricultural exports, according to the British daily Financial Times.

The current U.S.-EC spat follows last week's failure to reach an agreement between the two parties in the Uruguay round of GATT talks on the question of agricultural subsidies.

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#90346d4090 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOSTON, MASSACHUSSETTS (DEC. 12) - A diet rich in red meat is likely to double the risk of colon cancer, according to a medical study issued here Wednesday.

Conducted by Dr. Walter Willett, of Boston's Brigham and Women's Hospital, among nearly 89,000 nurses from 1980 to 1986, the study confirms what physicians and nutrition experts have long suspected.

The researchers found that eating more beef, pork or lamb, increased the chance of contracting colon cancer, from 40 per cent higher than normal, for those eating red meat between once a month to once a week, to twice the normal rate in those who ate red meat every day.

But Peter Greenwald, of the National Cancer Institute, quickly pointed out after going over the study that people should not stop eating red meat altogether.

"Meat has important nutrient value ... The message should be to cut down, not to cut out."

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#90346d4120 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC. 12) - The European Commission decided on Wednesday to renew its system of monitoring state subsidies to the automotive industry, according to a statement released here.

The system, which came into effect for a two-year period on January 1, 1989, requires the 12 members of the European Community (EC) to apply to the Commission in advance for approval of plans to give state aid to automobile manufactureres.

When the subsidies are within the framework of a program already approved by Brussels, such as regional assistance, the Commission must be notified if the total cost of the project being subsidized exceeds 12 million European Currency Units (17 million U.S. dollars).

In its statement, the Commission said the recent drop in consumer demand for automobiles made it all the more necessary to closely monitor public subsidies.

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#90346d4150 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) - The United States and the Soviet Union will hold a summit meeting in Moscow February 11 to 13, President George Bush announced here Wednesday after meeting at the White House with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

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#90346d4240 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) - The United States Wednesday called on rival parties in Bangladesh to reject violence and to respect the law in pursuing charges against President Hussain Mohammad Ershad.

"We urge all parties in Bangladesh, out of respect for the rule of law, to reject violence and to begin the work of rebuilding Bangladesh in a spirit of dialogue and cooperation," said State Department spokesman Richard Boucher.

(In Dhaka, a leftist political party Wednesday filed charges of murder, misappropriation of funds and illegal seizure of power against the deposed Bangladesh president.

(The charges were filed hours after a haggard Mr. Ershad, 60, was formally placed under arrest and was driven with his wife and eight-year-old son under heavy military and police guard from the safety of Dhaka's military cantonment.

(The ousted president, a former general, had been living in his cantonment home under military guard since he was toppled December 4 by weeks of mass

demonstrations against his rule in which at least 100 people died.)

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#90346d4290 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANTIAGO (DEC. 12) - U.S. Ambassador to Chile Charles Gillespie said Wednesday he considered an incident in which an member of Chile's military intelligence burst into the embassy and threatened some officials with his weapon to be over.

The assailant, a member of Chile's Army Intelligence (DINE), was taken into custody by police four hours after he entered the embassy.

Mr. Gillespie said the man had acted as if he were intoxicated, a condition which was confirmed by Chilean Army which added he wanted to "show the vulnerability of the embassy."

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#90346d4400 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) - President George Bush Wednesday announced a Soviet-U.S. summit in Moscow next February 11 to 13 along with U.S. economic aid to the Soviet Union and the waiving of trade restrictions against that country.

Speaking at a White House press conference after talks with visiting Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, Mr. Bush said progress had been made in the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks (START) and he voiced hope that a START treaty to reduce long-range nuclear weapons could be signed in Moscow.

The U.S. leader also said he had decided to waive temporarily the so-called Jackson-Vanik amendment, a 1974 law tying most favored nation trading status to adoption of more liberal Soviet emigration policies.

He also said he would take steps to provide credit to enable Moscow to buy up to one billion dollars' worth of U.S. farm products ranging from grain to cheese.

"The Soviet Union faces tough times," Mr. Bush told the press conference, also attended by Mr. Shevardnadze and Secretary of State James Baker.

The Soviet forteign minister welcomed Mr. Bush's words as a "very important statement" and said he looked forward to seeing Mr. Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev sign the START treaty, which has been under negotiation for almost nine years.

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#90346d4580 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON, (DEC 12) - The last two British diplomats in Kuwait are to leave within a week, the Foreign Office announced here Wednesday.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that after ambassador Michael Weston and consul Larry Banks leave, no assistance will be provided for Britons still in Kuwait.

"We therefore strongly urge any remaining British nationals who wish to leave to do so now," he said.

Some 50 Britons are thought to be still in Kuwait, with a further 150 in Iraq. Some of them, as long-term residents, have decided they do not want to leave, the spokseman said.

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#90346d4590 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK, (DEC 12) - Futures prices for the U.S. benchmark light sweet crude oil plunged by more than a dollar a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange Wednesday, with January contracts closing below 26 dollars a barrel.

At the end of the session, January contracts were being traded at 25,35 dollars a barrel, down 1.06 dollars compared to Tuesday's closing price.

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#90346d4600 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON, (DEC 12) - U.S. credit guarantees offered to countries for the purchase of U.S. agricultural products have fallen 46 per cent since the start of fiscal 1991, compared to the same period the previous year, an informed source said Wednesday.

The decline was due in part to the suspension of U.S. aid to Iraq, which received 500 million dollars in credit guarantees in fiscal 1990.

The Soviet Union is a candidate for as much as three billion dollars in loan guarantees under the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) GSM-102 program, industry sources said.

The USDA extended 2.3 billion dollars in GSM-102 and GSM-103 loan guarantees between October 1 and November 30, compared to about 4.29 billion dollars in the same period in 1989.

The GSM-102 and 103 programs enable the USDA to guarantee short and medium term loans for the purchase of U.S. agricultural products.

From October 1 through November 30, USDA has distributed 2.205 billion dollars

through GSM-102 to 15 countries, USDA sources said.

At the same time, the USDA awarded 114 million dollars in loan guarantees to four countries under its GSM-103 program, the sources said.

The USDA's 1991 budget provides for at least 5 billion dollars in loan guarantees under GSM-102 and 500 million dollars in gurantees under GSM-103.

In 1990, about 30 countries benefitted from the programs which granted guarantees of 4.6 billion dollars under GSM-102 and 468 million dollars under GSM-103.

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#90346d4790 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEGUCIGALPA (DEC. 12) - Some 200 tattered and torn Salvadoran soldiers crossed the border into Honduras apparently after a bloody clash with leftist rebels, the Foreign Ministry said here Wednesday.

Some of the soldiers were seriously wounded and have been taken to hospitals in nearby Honduran towns, a ministry statement said.

The rest of the soldiers, the ministry added, are being held by authorities and the U.N. Observer Group for Central America has been notified.

The U.N. group has been in charge of border surveillance between Honduras and Nicaragua during the last few months the former Nicaraguan contras were operating, before April of this year.

Honduran President Rafael Callejas cut short a visit to the central city of Catacamas and returned to the capital when he was told what had happened.

It was the biggest crossing by Salvadoran military into Honduras, it was pointed out. Previous incidents went no further than complaints by local residents of incursions by Salvadoran military or guerrillas.

Official reports from San Salvador Wednesday indicated that fighting between government troops and leftist rebels had intensified, especially in the northern part of the country, near the Honduran border.

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#90346d4880 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DEARBORN, MI (DEC 12) - The recession which has plagued the automotive industry this year will continue next year with an anticipated five-per-cent drop in sales, Ford Motor Co. said Wednesday.

In a statement to shareholders, Ford president Philip Benton said the Gulf

crisis, slow economic growth and the hike in oil prices was partly behind the gloomy forecast.

He predicted that 13.5 million Ford automobiles would be sold next year, down five per cent from this year.

Growing competition by foreign auto makers and pressure to make more environmentally safe cars would further weaken the U.S. auto industry in the coming years, Mr. Benton said.

All three largest U.S. auto makers, General Motors, Ford and Chrysler suffered losses in the fourth quarter of this year for the first time since the 1981 recession.

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#90346d4930 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) - The remains of two U.S. servicemen who had been listed as missing in action (MIA) in Vietnam have been identified, the Defense Department said Wednesday.

Their remains were repatriated recently along with the remains of another 20 men believed to have been U.S. servicemen killed during the Vietnam War, the Pentagon said.

The two men were identified as Air Force Lieutenant Colonel William Andrews, reported as MIA in 1966, and Navy Lieutenant Commander Frederick Wright III, reported as MIA in 1972.

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#90346d5050 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SCHIPHOL, The Netherlands (DEC. 13) - A plane carrying 71 freed Dutch hostages and three Britons from Iraq arrived at Amsterdam's airport here late on Wednesday.

The freed Dutch nationals were all workers who had been involved in dredging a channel at a port in the south of Iraq.

Following an agreement between the Iraqi authorities and the Dutch company the workers were allowed to leave, taking their equipment with them.

The Dutch workers arrived early on Wednesday aboard their dredger in the United Arab Emirates, from where they flew back to Holland.

A foreign ministry spokesman said that after Wednesday's flight only four Dutch hostages remained in Iraq.

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#90346d5070 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) - Aerospace weapons spending will continue to slide despite the Gulf crisis -- while the commercial aerospace industry hit a record high this year, an industry executive said Wednesday.

"Aerospace sales to the Department of Defense will dip to the lowest level since 1982, and 1991 will mark the fourth straight year of declining defense business," said Don Fuqua, president of the Aerospace Industries Association.

Along with the drop in aerospace weapons spending, some 70,000 jobs were lost bringing employment in the industry for 1990 down to 1.25 million. Another 30,000 jobs are expected to cut in 1991, Mr. Fuqua said.

"It is not likely that the Middle East situation will appreciably change plans for downsizing the peacetime military establishment," he added.

He said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein gave the industry a boost "by reminding our nation that there is a lot of potential for trouble from sources other than the Soviet Union."

While aerospace weapons spending has been waning, overall industry sales for 1990 will reach a record 131.4 billion dollars -- a 12 per cent increase over the previous year, according to the association.

Exports set a record 36.8 billion dollars, lowering the U.S. trade deficit by 26 billion dollars, Mr. Fuqua said.

Commercial transport aircaft sales were above 22 billion dollars with a 100-billion-dollar backlog in orders, he said.

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#90346d5090 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) - The U.S. Export-Import Bank is considering extending the Mexican state oil company Pemex guarantees for a five-year, 5.6 billion dollar line of credit, an Eximbank vice president said Wednesday.

Richard Feeny, Eximbank's vice president for Latin America, said the bank was favorably disposed to extending such a guarantee but noted that talks with Pemex were still "in the very early stages."

Under Eximbank's statutes, any loan guarantee in excess of 100,000 dollars must be approved by the U.S. Congress.

Mr. Feeny said the loans guaranteed by Eximbank could only be used to buy equipment or services in the United States and he noted that some U.S.

businesses have expressed interest in the talks.

Pemex has said it plans to invest 6.8 billion dollars over the next six years.

It has obtained 395 million dollars this year from the German, British, Austrian and U.S. capital markets to finance exploration and development of its off-shore oil fields.

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#90346d5130 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (DEC 12) - U.S.-Soviet efforts to speed up a settlement of Angola's 15-year-old civil war moved into high gear here Wednesday, including an unprecedented meeting between Angolan rebel leader Jonas Savimbi and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

The 30-minute Savimbi-Shevardnadze meeting at the Soviet Embassy here highlighted a flurry of diplomatic activity that also featured a meeting at the State Department between Secretary of State James Baker and Pedro de Castro Van Dunem, foreign minister of the Moscow-backed Luanda Government.

Thursday, Mr. Savimbi, head of the U.S.-backed National Union for the Total Liberation of Angola (UNITA), will call on President George Bush at the White House, U.S. officials said. Mr. Savimbi is also expected to confer with Mr. Baker.

Also Thursday, a five-party meeting at the State Department will bring together representatives of UNITA, the ruling Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA), the United States, the Soviet Union and Portugal (the former colonial power in Angola), UNITA sources said.

The meeting is aimed at securing agreement on a set of principles that will govern a ceasefire, a political settlement and an end to outside arms deliveries to the belligerents, the sources added.

One source said UNITA would press for a commitment that constitutional changes adopted by the MPLA last weekend and establishing a multiparty system would be implemented as soon as possible.

If the changes are ratified by the Angolan People's Assembly in the coming weeks, this could lead to an agreement on a ceasefire at the next round of Portuguese-mediated peace talks slated for late January in Lisbon, he added.

The two Angolan sides have held several rounds of inconclusive talks in Lisbon since April.

For several months, the superpowers have been prodding the rival Angolan sides to wind down a civil war that has claimed 600,000 lives in the oil-rich

African country.

At the end of a two-day meeting in Houston, Texas, Tuesday, Mr. Baker and Mr. Shevardnadze jointly called for a ceasefire, participation of UNITA in Angola's political life, free and fair elections under international supervision and an end to all arms deliveries to the belligerents as soon as a ceasefire came into effect.

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#90346d5150 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 11) - The International Monetary Fund (Imf) has authorised drawings up to the equivalent of Special Drawing Rights 94.8 million (about 136.7 million U.S. dollars) for Uruguay over the next 15 months in order to support the government's economic and financial programme, it was announced here Thursday.

Uruguay has enjoyed only minimal economic growth since 1986-87 and inflation has accelerated. The government, which took office in March 1990, has started an economic program aimed at strenghtening the balance of payments, lowering price rises and implementing structural changes.

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#90346d5220 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 13) - The political "honeymoon" period for the new British prime minister, John Major, seems to be over, according to an opinion poll published in the Guardian newspaper Thursday showing the Conservative lead over the opposition Labour Party cut to two per cent.

In the period immediately following the election for the Conservative leadership, resulting in a change of prime minister, the Conservatives surged ahead of Labour in the polls, showing an 11-point lead.

The poll published here Thursday puts the parties' standing at 45 per cent for the Conservatives, 43 per cent for Labour, nine per cent for the Liberal Democrats and two per cent for the Greens.

But respondents showed less faith in Labour's economic policies than the party's overall rating might suggest.

Asked which party they thought would produce the most successful economic results, 47 per cent of those questioned said the Conservatives while only 25 per cent placed their hope in Labour. Another 23 per cent said they did not know.

The pollsters ICM interviewed 1,376 people in constituencies across Britain last Friday and Saturday.

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#90346d5240 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
FREDERICK, Maryland (DEC. 12) - The U.S. Army has signed an agreement with Soviet scientists to develop a vaccine to combat the deadly hemorrhagic fever, the military said Wednesday.

The disease, which is spread by rodents and produces flu-like symptoms and sometimes death, strikes some 100,000 to 500,000 people annually in the Soviet Union, Asia and elsewhere, the World Health Organization estimates.

The agreement, the first of its kind between U.S. Army medical researchers and a Soviet scientific agency, allows Soviet scientists to work with army researchers to refine the vaccine and test it on thousands of volunteers.

"This kind of collaboration is another confirmation of the openness that is developing and the willingness to draw closer together on scientific matters and other things," said Colonel Thomas Monath, chief of virology at the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases.

Army scientists believe they have a vaccine which will combat hemorrhagic fever. In its most serious stages, the disease causes kidney problems and internal bleeding in the brain, lungs and digestive system.

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#90346d5270 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KINSHASA (DEC. 13) - Nine people drowned in two separate incidents recently when boats they were travelling in turned over in a storm on Zaire's Lake Mai Ndombe, the official AZAP news agency said on Wednesday.

Seven people, including several prominent Zairean civil servants, died in one boat, which was headed from the town of Kiri to Kinshasa.

Two people died in a second incident when their canoe was overturned. The dates of the two accidents were not given.

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#90346d5290 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MAPUTO (DEC. 13) - Mozambique's ruling FRELIMO party, faced with the challenge of promised free elections next year, on Wednesday announced it would hold an extraordinary congress in the "near future."

The party's central committee made the announcement at the end of a five-day meeting here. No firm date was given, but analysts said it was likely the congress would be held before the general elections scheduled for 1991 and

would discuss the party's electoral strategy.

According to its statutes, the party should hold an ordinary congress every five years. At the last ordinary congress in July 1989, the fifth in Frelimo's history, the party abandoned Marxism-Leninism and redefined itself as the party of "all the people" rather than the "vanguard of the worker-peasant alliance."

Mozambique's new constitution, which came into force less than two weeks ago, ends the one-party state and does away with the concept of FRELIMO's "leading role" in Mozambican society.

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#90346d5610 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (DEC. 13) - Australia's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate soared from 7.6 per cent in October to 8.2 per cent in November, official figures showed Thursday.

The November figure, which compared with a rate of 5.9 per cent in the same month last year, was at the top end of market forecasts ranging from 7.7 to 8.2 per cent.

Employment Minister John Dawkins described the results as "a very grim set of figures" which reflected the economic downturn.

The unemployment figures, the highest since May 1987, co-incide with the release of retail trade figures showing a 1.3 per cent fall between September and October.

The Bureau of Statistics said seasonally adjusted unemployment rose to 698,100 in November from 650,000 in October, compared with 495,500 a year earlier.

The rise was most marked in the depressed eastern state of Victoria where unemployment reached 8.4 per cent.

Queensland had the highest unemployment level at a seasonally adjusted 9.2 per cent.

Analysts say the figures justify another easing in monetary policy, which is being tipped by some commentators as likely this week.

The official figures were released 24 hours after a survey of Australian manufacturing industry forecast an unemployment rate of more than nine per cent next year in the gloomiest prediction so far.

The December quarter survey by the Australian Chamber of Manufactures and State Bank of New South Wales indicated 31,000 manufacturing jobs were likely to be lost nationally in 1991, adding to 65,000 so far in 1990.

Translated across the economy, the unemployment rate could be expected to climb to more than nine per cent, it said.

The survey, of nearly 500 NSW manufacturers, found 52 per cent had shed jobs during 1990 and 24 per cent increased staff, while 30 per cent planned to cut their workforce next year and only 16 per cent expected to hire.

BankAmerica economist Russell Maddox said the employment figures put the government "under immense pressure to cut rates." The figure, he said, was "well in line with the economy being in a recession."

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#90346d5640 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 13) - Moscow is seeking Japanese cooperation in joint development of the Yakutsk gas field in Soviet Siberia, a prominent business group said here Thursday.

Japan's powerful Federation of Economic Organizations (Keidanren) said the Soviet Union recently asked for Japanese participation in the multi-billion dollar project.

A Japan-U.S.-Soviet joint survey between 1974 and 1979 confirmed a promising natural gas field containing some 800 billion cubic meters (28 trillion cubic feet) in the Yakutsk region.

Keidanren officials said the Japan-Soviet Economic Committee is expected to discuss the Soviet proposal at its meeting in Tokyo slated for next month.

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#90346d9050 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 12) - China recorded a 900-million-dollar trade surplus in November, assuring that its 1990 trade balance will finish in the black after a big shortfall last year, according to customs figures published Wednesday.

Exports totalled 5.79 billion dollars, outpacing 4.89 billion dollars in imports and bringing the January-November trade surplus to 7.1 billion dollars, the official China Daily reported.

It was the fourth month in a row that China's overall trade turnover had gone up, the newspaper added.

China suffered a 6.5-billion-dollar trade deficit last year and a 3.09-billion-dollar shortfall in 1988. Western analysts link the turn-around to a devalued Chinese yuan currency and a tighter rein on imports.

Besides goods and services, customs import figures also take into account foreign aid receipts, items brought into China as foreign investment, and raw materials exchanged for processing.

Hong Kong remained China's biggest trading partner, with 23.14 billion dollars' worth of exports going into the British colony and 12.43 billion dollars imported.

Observers noted, however, that the export figure includes Chinese products being trans-shipped through Hong Kong for other foreign markets.

Indirect trade between China and Taiwan during the same 11-month period was put at 2.05 billion dollars, with imports from the Nationalist-ruled island outstripping exports by an overwhelming 1.528 billion dollars.

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#90346d9140 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

APIA (DEC. 12) - A Japanese construction and real estate firm has signed a purchase agreement to buy Western Samoa's second biggest hotel, the Tusitala, the receiver Peter Howell said Tuesday.

The hotel, put into receivership last year with debts estimated to be around seven million tala (5.7 million dollars U.S), will be sold for 5.5 million tala (4.4 million dollars) to the Tokyo-based Kitano Construction Corporation.

The purchase agreement was signed by Kitano's managing director of overseas construction but final agreement depends on approval of the full Kitano board. The Western Samoa Cabinet has already approved the deal.

The Western Samoa government was the biggest single shareholder of the Tusitala, holding 19 per cent of the interest, with other shares held by the government of Nauru, Western Samoa's National Providence Fund, a local firm, Tusitala Hotels Investment Ltd, and local investors.

The modern 96 room hotel employing 117 staff is on leased government land at the base of Mulinu'u Point on the western side of Apia harbour.

It is named after the Samoan title given to Scottish author Robert Louis Stevenson who is buried on a mountain nearby.

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#90346d9230 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 12) - Airconditioners are expected to become the best selling electric appliance in Japan this year, overtaking color television sets, an economic daily said Wednesday.

The estimate by the Nihon Keizai Shimbun put domestic sales of airconditioners in 1990 at a record high of 825 billion yen (six billion dollars), up 20 per cent from 1989.

Color television sets, the best sellers among electric appliances last year, are expected to take second spot with sales dropping 3.5 per cent to 740 billion yen (5.7 billion dollars), the newspaper said.

Videotape recorders are expected to remain third with 630 billion yen (4.8 billion dollars) in sales, down 9.4 per cent, it added.

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#90346d9310 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

New Delhi (DEC. 12) - India has offered to provide a million tons of wheat as part of emergency international efforts to feed the Soviet Union.

The form of ''compensation'' from the Soviet side could be settled later, the news agency United News of India reported here Wednesday.

The agency attributed its information to the Indian embassy in Moscow and a report by the Soviet news agency Tass.

In another development, an Indian businessman has promised the Soviets a donation of a ton of milk powder and three tons of rice to help relieve the internal distribution crisis.

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#90346d9390 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 12) - Germany is to provide a 190 million-peso (6.78 million-dollar) grant to the Philippines for quake relief, the Philippine foreign department said in a statement Wednesday.

An agreement signed by Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus and German Ambassador to Manila Peter Scholz on Wednesday said the grant would be used to repair public works projects in the main island of Luzon damaged by the July 16 temblor.

The intensity 7.7 quake caused extensive damage in the northern Philippines.

The statement said Mr. Scholz and Mr. Manglapus also signed an agreement allowing German volunteers from the German Development Service to help in specific development projects in rural areas.

Earlier this year, the U.S. government recalled all U.S. Peace Corps volunteers from the Philippines due to alleged threats by communist guerrillas.

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#90346d9410 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (DEC. 12) - Norway agreed Wednesday to help complete an experimental electricity project in the central island of Bohol, the Philippine foreign department said in a statement.

It did not say what form the assistance would take.The agreement was signed by Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus and Norwegian Ambassador to Manila Lars Tangeraas.

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#90346d9620 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOI (DEC. 12) - The French firm Brasseries et Glacieres Internationales (BGI) has formed a joint venture with Chung Duong company of Ho Chi Minh City to produce soft drinks, the local press reported Wednesday.

BGI, once known as Brasseries et Glacieres d'Indochine, will provide six million dollars of the initial 10 million dollar capital investment as well as some of the staff, the state-run Vietnam News Agency said.

The joint venture will have an initial production target of 50 million bottles and 25 million cans of soft drinks a year, the agency said.

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#90346d9640 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 12) - Three large Japanese milk-products firms announced Wednesday they would donate powdered milk and other baby food worth about 230,000 dollars to the Soviet Union.

Representatives of Snow Brand Milk Products, Meiji Milk Products and Morinaga Milk Industry were to present their donation Thursday at the Soviet Embassy in Tokyo, accompanied by members of Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP).

The LDP has decided to donate almost 40,000 dollars worth of biscuits to the Soviet Union, according to Japanese press reports.

The Japanese government has not yet made a decision on providing food aid to the Soviet Union, but government sources have been cited as saying such aid could be announced when Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama visits Moscow in January.

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#90346d9740 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WOLFSBURG, GERMANY (DEC. 12) - The Volkswagen car manufacturer should achieve

consolidated profits of one billion Deutschemarks (666 million dollars) in 1990, repeating last year's level, on a six per cent increase in sales to 69 billion marks (46 billion dollars), director Carl Horst said on Wednesday.

The absence of growth in the profit figures was attributable to increased competition, difficulties in Latin America, and the strength of the mark which made German products more expensive on foreign markets.

In 1990 Volkswagen expected to continue to be the biggest European manufacturer, selling 2.3 million cars or 4.7 per cent more than in 1989.

Volkswagen holds 15.5 per cent of the European car market, he said.

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#90346d9850 12/12/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (DEC. 12) - The German central Bundesbank has injected a net 3.8 billion Deutschemarks (2.5 billion dollars) into the banking system, by means of repurchase arrangements totalling 30.8 billion marks.

The repurchase coincided with the expiry of arrangements totalling 27 billion marks.

Most of the new arrangement was made available at floating rates ranging from 8.50 per cent to 8.55 per cent. The expiring arrangements had been made at eight per cent fixed for 35 days.

Last week the bank made available 41 billion marks at rates ranging from 8.50 per cent to 9.15 per cent.

It was the first time that the bank had revealed the rates at which most of the money was made available. Previously the bank had given the lowest and highest rates only.

The banks had sought 61.3 billion marks.

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#90346e0035 12/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC. 12) EFE - Palestinian protesters hurled stones at the car of Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens on Wednesday just hours after Israeli troops shot dead a young Palestinian in the Occupied Territories.

As Palestinian students held protests throughout the day in East Jerusalem, demonstrators stoned Arens' official car in the West Bank town of Jericho.

No one was injured in the attack but Israeli state radio said two people were arrested.

Hours earlier, Israeli soldiers shot dead a 16-year-old Palestinian youth as they moved to put down a demonstration in the occupied West Bank.

Israeli security forces claimed Palestinian militants fired at police from inside a mosque during a demonstration in the town of Shuafat. The protesters were dispersed as police fired rubber bullets and tear gas cannisters.

Meanwhile, two Israeli soldiers were injured when Palestinian protesters in the West Bank town of Hebron hurled stones at security forces. One of the two was hospitalized, police said.

The intifada, or uprising, in the Occupied Territories entered its fourth year this week.

Since the intifada began, more than 700 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli security forces.

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#90346e0062 12/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) EFE - The United States Wednesday accused Iraq of trying to block upcoming talks on the Gulf crisis between Secretary of State James Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein by refusing to agree on the meeting's date.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said Iraqi authorities continue to insist that the talks be held January 12.

Washington has opposed that date, saying it was too close to the deadline set by the United Nations for Iraqi's withdrawal of Kuwait, which it invaded in August.

The U.N. Security Council has given Iraq until January 15 to get out of Kuwait or face possible military action from U.S.-led multinational forces arrayed against it in the Gulf region.

Baker is due in Baghdad for talks with Saddam that were proposed by U.S. President George Bush to discuss the crisis sparked by the Iraqi invasion.

Although the United States has offered 15 alternative dates for the visit, the Iraqi authorities insist on January 12.

U.S. diplomats in Baghdad have failed to break the deadlock, Boucher said.

According to the diplomats, the impasse might threaten the visit of Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz to Washington originally planned for December 17.

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#90346e0063 12/12/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
BOGOTA (DEC. 12) EFE - Leftist Colombian rebels Wednesday killed five soldiers and a civilian in a series of counter-attacks throughout the country in response to the Army's offensive against guerrilla strongholds, military officials said.

Military sources said Colombian Revolutionary Armed Forces (FARC) rebels also downed an Army helicopter in the eastern region, but that the crew had escaped uninjured.

They said most of the deaths came during FARC assaults on police and Army posts in the attacks launched in reply to the government-ordered offensive begun Sunday.

Two soldiers and a civilian died in the northeastern town of Rionegro when the guerrillas attacked a military patrol.

A corporal died and two soldiers were wounded in the southwestern town of Chaparral when FARC rebels assaulted another patrol.

Guerrillas killed one soldier in the southwestern town of Mesetas and another in the northwestern town of Toledo.

Some 26 soldiers have died since Sunday, including 11 in two helicopter crashes.

Meanwhile, Army Gen. Jorge Correa Castaneda said soldiers had found the bodies of at least 3O leftist rebels killed since Sunday.

Correa Castaneda, who heads the Seventh Brigade, said the Army had razed four FARC strongholds in the Uribe mountains, some 200 km south of the capital.

On Sunday, Air Force jets and helicopter gunships bombed and strafed FARC headquarters in the region, before 400 troops went in and overran the base.

The Army said 40 guerrillas and 11 soldiers died in the attack.

Correa Castaneda said fighting continued in the four beleaguered strongholds as the Army tried to stamp out centres of resistence.

The general said the principal aim of the offensive was "to recover all the mountainous zone of La Uribe and to return to Colombia a territory which was nabbed several years ago by FARC guerrillas".

FARC recently joined forces with National Liberation Army rebels to negotiate with the government terms for their possible demobilization and reintegration

into society.

But FARC leaders Monday said the offensive had +squandered the chance to build peace+ although the government said its offer of talks remained valid.

Sunday's attack came as Colombians went to the polls to choose 70 candidates for an assembly to reform the 104-year-old constitution. The former left-wing rebel group M-19 won more votes than any other party.

President Cesar Gaviria's government denied that the offensive was planned to coincide with the elections.

FARC, the oldest and largest of Colombia's five leftist rebel groups, was founded in 1958.

M-19 laid down their arms in March to form a political party.

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#90346h0004 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WELLINGTON (DEC. 12) XINHUA - NEW ZEALAND HAS TEMPORARILY HALTED ITS ANNUAL 60 MILLION N.Z. DOLLAR (36 MILLION U.S. DOLLAR) LIVE SHEEP TRADE WITH SAUDI ARABIA FOLLOWING A WRANGLE OVER ANIMAL HEALTH RECENTLY.

SAUDI ARABIA HAD REFUSED TO ALLOW 66,500 NEW ZEALAND SHEEP ON A SHIP TO BE UNLOADED AT JEDDAH. SAUDIS INSPECTORS WERE CONCERNED THE SHEEP SHOWED SYMPOTOM LIKE THOSE OF THE FATAL AND CONTAGIOUS DISEASE HEMORRHAGIC SEPTICEMIA, EVEN THOUGH SUCH DISEASE IS NOT KNOWN IN NEW ZEALAND.

OFFICIALS FROM THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE BELIEVED SOME OF THE SHEEP ON THE SHIP WERE SUFFERING FROM A STRESS-RELATED DISEASE CALLED PASTEURELLA, CAUSED BY A BACTERIA FOUND ON NEARLY EVERY NEW ZEALAND SHEEP, LOCAL MEDIA REPORTED TODAY.

ANNOUNCING THE HALTING, NEW ZEALAND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE JOHN FALLOON SAID SINCE PASTEURELLA HAD AND ALWAYS WOULD BE PRESENT IN SHEEP IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO ALLOW LIVE EXPORTS TILL A HEALTH CERTIFICATION AGREEMENT WAS REACHED WITH THE SAUDIS.

NEITHER OFFICIALS NOR EXPORTERS KNEW HOW LONG IT WOULD BE BEFORE THE TRADE COULD RESUME. ACCORDING TO RULES, MINISTRY VETERINARIANS HAVE TO CERTIFY SHEEP MEET THE HEALTH STANDARDS OF THE IMPORTING COUNTRY BEFORE THEY LEAVE NEW ZEALAND.

SAUDI ARABIA HAS BEEN THE SOLE MARKET OF NEW ZEALAND'S LIVE SHEEP.

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#90346h0023 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 12) XINHUA - A REPORT SUBMITTED BY A GROUP OF CHINESE EXPERTS TO A NATIONAL FOOD DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE SHOWS THAT THE LIVING STANDARDS OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE HAVE IMPROVED OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS.

THE AVERAGE PER CAPITA GRAIN CONSUMPTION OF URBAN CITIZENS WAS 242.3 KG LAST YEAR, A 24 PERCENT INCREASE OVER 1978, THE OVERSEAS EDITION OF THE "PEOPLE'S DAILY" REPORTED TODAY.

THE CONSUMPTION OF VEGETABLE OIL, PORK AND EGGS PER CITIZEN WAS 5.4 KG, 15.6 KG AND SIX KG, RESPECTIVELY, IN 1989 -- SOME 3.4, TWO AND THREE TIMES THE FIGURES FOR 1978.

STATISTICS SHOW THAT DURING THE 1985-89 PERIOD URBAN CITIZENS' AVERAGE EXPENDITURE ON FOOD PER PERSON INCREASED BY 88 PERCENT; THE RURAL PER CAPITA EXPENDITURE ON FOOD INCREASED BY 58 PERCENT.

TO DATE, THE PERCENTAGE OF ANIMAL PROTEIN INTAKE IN THE CHINESE DIET INCREASED FROM NINE PERCENT IN 1985 TO 14 PERCENT IN 1989.

HOWEVER, THE EXPERTS WARNED, THERE ARE STILL 40 MILLION PEOPLE IN CHINA WHO CAN NOT GET ENOUGH TO EAT AND WEAR, AND THE DIET OF MANY PEOPLE IS DEFICIENT IN PROTEIN AND FAT.

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#90346h0028 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 12) XINHUA - CHINESE PRESIDENT YANG SHANGKUN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH A DECISION OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS, HAS APPOINTED ZHANG QING AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA TO SINGAPORE.

THE APPOINTMENT WAS MADE PUBLIC HERE TODAY.

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#90346h0036 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 12) XINHUA - TEN ELEPHANTS WERE KILLED RECENTLY BY POACHERS IN NORTH-EASTERN PROVINCE OF KENYA, REPORTED THE LOCAL PRESS TODAY.

THE PRESS REPORTS QUOTED DIRECTOR OF THE KENYA WILDLIFE SER- VICE DR. RICHARD LEAKEY AS SAYING IN A PRESS STATEMENT YESTERDAY THAT INITIAL REPORTS HAVE CONFIRMED THAT AT LEAST 10 ELEPHANTS INCLUDING SEVERAL CALVES WERE KILLED IN THE AREA, BRINGING TO 50 THE NUMBER OF ELEPHANTS KILLED IN THE COUNTRY THIS YEAR.

HE SAID A GROUP OF ANTI-POCHING OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN SENT TO THE AREA TO CRACK DOWN ON THE POACHERS.

MR. LEAKEY SAID THAT KENYA HAS MANAGED TO CONTAIN THE POACHING OF ELEPHANTS AND RHINOS IN THE PAST YEAR. "OVERALL, THE SITUATION IS GREATLY IMPROVED, BUT POACHING COULD RESTART IF VIGILANCE IS RELAXED OR IF THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE (ON IVORY) IS REOPENED," HE ADDED.

WILDLIFE, ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S MAIN ATTRACTIONS TO TOURISTS, HAS PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM, THE LARGEST FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNER OF KENYA.

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#90346h0054 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 12) XINHUA - THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED IN PRINCIPLE TO AVAIL OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF) LOAN FACILITIES TO OVERCOME THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS CRISIS. A FORMAL APPLICATION WOULD, HOWEVER, BE MADE IN MID-JANUARY.

AN OFFICIAL DELEGATION LED BY D. NAYYAR, CHIEF ECONOMIC ADVISER IN THE FINANCE MINISTRY OF INDIA, LEFT FOR WASHINGTON ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, TO OPEN A DIALOGUE WITH IMF OFFICIALS, OFFICIAL SOURCES SAID TODAY.

INDIA'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON THE IMF G.K. ARORA HAS ALREADY SET THE BALL ROLLING TO MAKE OUT A CASE FOR AVAILING OF THE IMF FACILITIES

AS A FIRST STEP, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCES, INDIA HAS PROPOSED TO AVAIL ITSELF OF THE IMF'S CONTINGENCY COMPENSATORY FINANCING FACILITY OF UP TO 400 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS. THE FACILITY IS AVAILABLE TO MEMBER COUNTRIES TO COVER THEIR PETROLEUM IMPORTS BILL FOLLOWING THE INCREASE OF PRICES IN THE WORLD MARKETS.

LATER, THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO SEEK AID UNDER THE EXTENDED FUND FACILITY. UNDER THIS, AID IS GIVEN TO ENABLE MEMBERS TIDE OVER THEIR BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROBLEMS, THE SOURCES ADDED.

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#90346h0063 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 12) XINHUA - A TOTAL OF 287 KILOGRAMS OF CONTRABAND GOLD WAS SEIZED BY JAMNAGAR CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES IN INDIA'S WESTERN STATE OF GUJARAT ON TUESDAY, THE PRESS TRUST OF INDIA REPORTED TODAY.

THE CONTRABAND GOLD, SEIZED FROM A CARGO VESSEL "ANANT NARAYAN", WAS WORTH 100 MILLION RUPEES (5.56 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

ACTING ON A TIP OFF THAT A SEACRAFT WITH SMUGGLED GOLD FROM DUBAI WAS ON ITS WAY TO THE SALAYA PORT IN JAMNAGAR DISTRICT, THE OFFICIALS KEPT VIGIL AND INTERCEPTED THE VESSEL AFTER A CHASE. THE CONTRABAND GOLD WAS FOUND IN ITS DIESEL TANK, THE REPORT SAID.

NINE PERSONS OF THE BOAT HAVE BEEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY. ASSISTANT CUSTOMS COLLECTOR, JAMNAGAR, K.S. NAIK TOLD THE PRESS TRUST OF INDIA THAT THIS WAS THE SECOND BIG SEIZURE OFF SALAYA PORT ON THE SAURASHTRA COAST WITHIN THREE DAYS. ON SATURDAY LAST (DECEMBER 8), GOLD WORTH 80 MILLION RUPEES (4.45 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) WAS SEIZED FROM A BOAT COMING FROM DUBAI.

WITH THIS SEIZURE, JAMNAGAR CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES HAD SO FAR THIS YEAR CAUGHT GOODS WORTH 780 MILLION RUPEES, INCLUDING GOLD WORTH 270 MILLION RUPEES AND SILVER WORTH 240 MILLION RUPEES.

THE UNABATED SMUGGLING OF GOLD INTO INDIA IS MAINLY DUE TO HIGHER GOLD PRICES IN THE COUNTRY AND ITS STRINGENT RESTRICTIONS ON GOLD IMPORTS.

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#90346h0067 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CANBERRA (DEC. 12) XINHUA - A MAJOR CONFERENCE NOW UNDER WAY IN SYDNEY IS FOCUSING ON PREVENTION OF TEENAGER SUICIDE -- WHAT SOCIETY CAN DO AND WHAT INDIVIDUALS CAN DO TO PERSUADE TEENAGERS IT'S WORTH LIVING.

IT HAS BEEN DISCLOSED THAT THE RATE OF SUICIDE AMONG AUSTRALIAN TEENAGERS IS ONE OF THE HIGHEST IN THE WORLD.

ADOLESCENT SUICIDE HAS INCREASED DRAMATICALLY IN AUSTRALIA OVER THE LAST THREE DECADES. IT NOW COMES SECOND ONLY TO ROAD ACCIDENTS AS THE MAJOR CAUSE OF DEATH FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

THE MOST RECENT STATISTICS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNMENT ARE THOSE FOR 1988, A YEAR WHICH SAW NEARLY 500 TEENAGERS, MALES AND FEMALES, KILLING THEMSELVES.

VISITING AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGIST, DR. PAMELA CANTOR, SAID IN SYDNEY TODAY THAT IT IS THE AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY, LIKE THEIR OWN, WHICH IS DOING THE KILLING.

"WHAT WE HAVE," SHE SAID, "IS A VIOLENT, DRUG-ADDICTED SOCIETY WHICH ABUSES AND NEGLECTS ITS YOUNG PEOPLE, THEN HANDS OUT PILLS AND GUNS FOR THEM TO END IT ALL."

SHE TOLD LOCAL MEDIA THAT "OUR KIDS FEEL HOPELESS, THEY FEEL THAT THEY CAN'T AFFECT CHANGE, AND MANY KIDS, BECAUSE OF WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THEIR HOME AND IN SOCIETY, FEEL THEY ARE NON-VALUED AND THEY ARE WORTHLESS. AND IF THEY FEEL EMOTIONALLY DEAD, IT'S A VERY SMALL STEP TO TAKE TO BE ACTUALLY DEAD."

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#90346h0071 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (DEC. 12) XINHUA - SHANGHAI GARMENT IMPORT AND EXPORT CORPORATION EXPECTS TO EARN ABOUT 400 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FROM EXPORTS THIS YEAR, SHEN

YUQIN, THE CORPORATION'S GENERAL MANAGER SAID TODAY.

AS OF THE FIFTH OF THIS MONTH, THE CORPORATION HAD ALREADY EARNED 380 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FROM GARMENT EXPORTS THIS YEAR. THE CORPORATION RANKS FIRST AMONG SIMILAR CORPORATIONS IN THE COUNTRY.

ACCORDING TO STATISTICS, THE COMBINED TOTAL SILK AND GARMENT EXPORT VALUE OF THE SHANGHAI SILK IMPORT AND EXPORT CORPORATION AND THE SHANGHAI GARMENT IMPORT AND EXPORT CORPORATION IS EXPECTED TO REACH 600 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS THIS YEAR, ACCOUNTING FOR ONE-EIGHTH OF SHANGHAI'S TOTAL EXPORT VOLUME.

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#90346h0074 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 12) XINHUA - NIGERIAN PRESIDENT IBRAHIM BABANGIDA ANNOUNCED TUESDAY HIS GOVERNMENT WILL SOON ESTABLISH A SPECIAL FUND FOR SHIP BUILDING AND ACQUISITION TO ENHANCE THE NATION'S CAPACITY OF SEA TRANSPORTATION.

COMMISSIONING OF A OIL LOADING BUOY AT THE NIGER DOCK, THE PRESIDENT SAID IN A WRITTEN SPEECH THE FUND WOULD ASSIST INDI- GENOUS SHIP OWNERS TO EXPAND THEIR FLEET AND PARTICIPATE FULLY IN THE NATION'S SEA-BORNE TRADE.

EMPHASISING THE ROLE OF INDUSTRIES IN SHIP BUILDING, HE SAID THAT THE GROWTH OF SHIP YARDS WOULD NOT ONLY SERVE AS A BOOST TO THE SHIPPING INDUSTRY BUT ALSO COMPLEMENT ACTIVITIES IN THE OIL INDUSTRY OF THE COUNTRY.

ADMITTING THAT THE NIGERIAN SEA FLEET IS "OBSOLETE", THE PRESIDENT NOTED THAT THE FUND IS NECESSARY TO HELP REPLACE SOME OF THE SEA VESSELS.

HE ALSO URGED MEMBERS OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES (ECOWAS) TO AVAIL THEMSELVES OF THE SHIP BUILDING FACI- LITIES PROVIDED BY THE NIGER DOCK TO ENHANCE THE DEVELOPMENT OF WATER TRANSPORTATION WITHIN THE SUB-REGION.

ACCORDING TO NIGERIA'S SHIPPING REGULATIONS, SHIPS OWNED OR HIRED BY NIGERIAN NATIONAL CARRIERS SHOULD CARRY AT LEAST 50 PERCENT OF THE CARGOES GENERATED THROUGH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE OR INTERNATIONAL AID.

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HONG KONG (DEC. 12) XINHUA - TAXI PASSENGERS HERE WILL HAVE TO PAY ONE MORE H.K. DOLLAR FUEL CHARGE FOR EACH TRIP WITH EFFECT FROM DECEMBER 16.

A HONG KONG GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN DESCRIBED THE LEVYING OF THE ADDITIONAL FUEL CHARGE AS "A TEMPORARY MEASURE AIMED AT LESSENING THE BURDEN OF TAXI DRIVERS WHO HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY THE RAPID FUEL PRICE INCREASES AS A RESULT OF THE GULF CRISIS."

THE SURCHARGE WILL BE WITHDRAWN WHEN EITHER THE FUEL PRICE FALLS SUBSTANTIALLY AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE, OR INCORPORATED INTO THE NEXT GENERAL FARE INCREASE EXERCISE, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

URBAN TAXI FARES WERE LAST INCREASED IN MAY BY AN AVERAGE OF EIGHTEEN PERCENT WHILE THE FARES FOR NEW TERRITORIES TAXIS WERE LAST RAISED BY AN AVERAGE OF 20 PERCENT IN JUNE.

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#90346h0084 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (DEC. 12) XINHUA - EGYPT AND SYRIA SIGNED FIVE COOPERATION AGREMENTS TODAY, WITH AN AIM AT FURTHER INTEGRATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN VARIOUS FIELDS.

THE AGREEMENTS WERE SIGNED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE THREE-DAY MEETINGS OF THE EGYPTIAN-SYRIAN JOINT COMMITTEE IN CAIRO, CHAIRED BY EGYPTIAN PRIME MINISTER ATEF SEDKI AND HIS SYRIAN COUNTERPART MAHMOUD ZOUEBI.

AFTER SIGNING THE AGREEMENTS, SEDKI TOLD REPORTERS THAT THESE AGREEMENTS ON JOINT COOPERATION IN THE FIELDS OF ECONOMY, SCIENCE, CULTURE, TOURISM, TRANSPORT AND EDUCATION "ARE CONSIDERED A STARTING POINT MAINLY TO REACH THE AIM OF INTEGRATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN VARIOUS DOMAINS."

HE SAID MORE MEETINGS WILL BE HELD WITHIN THE COMING MONTHS BETWEEN THE MINISTERS CONCERNED IN THE TWO COUNTRIES TO FOLLOW UP THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENTS SIGNED AT MEETINGS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE.

SYRIAN PRIME MINISTER ZOUEBI SAID THE AGREEMENTS EMBODY THE ASPIRATION FOR PROMOTING BILATERAL TIES AT POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, TRADE AND TECHNICAL LEVELS.

EGYPTIAN TRANSPORT MINISTER SULEIMAN METWALLI SAID AFTER THE SIGNING THAT A REGULAR MARITIME LINE WILL BE OPENED EARLY NEXT MONTH BETWEEN EGYPT'S MEDITERRANEAN CITY OF ALEXANDRIA AND SYRIA'S NORTHERN PORT OF LATAKIA.

EGYPT AND SYRIA RESTORED DIPLOMATIC TIES LAST DECEMBER, SEVERED IN 1977 AFTER EGYPT'S THEN-PRESIDENT ANWAR SADAT VISITED JERUSALEM FOR PEACE DRIVE.

THEIR RELATIONS WERE BROUGHT CLOSER BY COMMON OPPOSITION TO IRAQ FOR ITS AUGUST 2 INVASION OF KUWAIT. BOTH COUNTRIES HAVE SENT TROOPS TO THE GULF TO JOIN THE MULTINATIONAL FORCES DEPLOYED THERE TO WARD OFF POSSIBLE IRAQI ATTACKS AGAINST SAUDI ARABIA.

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#90346h0087 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (DEC. 12) XINHUA - VISITING CHINESE PREMIER LI PENG THIS AFTERNOON TOURED MALACCA, A PORT CITY AT THE SOUTHERN TIP OF THE MALAY PENINSULA.

IN HIS TOUR TO THIS ANCIENT CITY, THE OLDEST IN THE COUNTRY, LI FIRST VISITED "MINI MALAYSIA," A MINIATURE PARK DISPLAYING THE DIFFERENT CHARACTERS OF MALAYSIA'S 13 STATES.

AFTER THAT, THE CHINESE PREMIER AND HIS WIFE WENT ON TO TOUR A CULTURE MUSEUM AND A TEMPLE KEPT IN MEMORY OF A CHINESE NAVIGATOR OF THE MING DYNASTY, WHO TRAVELLED TO MALACCA IN 1409.

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#90346h0191 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

PANAMA CITY, (DEC. 12) XINHUA - THE PANAMANIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY DECIDED TUESDAY TO GIVE SAFE CONDUCTS TO THREE POLICE OFFICERS WHO HAD SOUGHT POLITICAL ASYLUM IN THE GUATEMALAN EMBASSY HERE SO THEY CAN LEAVE THE COUNTRY.

CAPTAIN RAFAEL JURADO AND SECOND LEUTENANTS CARLOS RUMBO AND DARIO CABEZAS PARTICIPATED ON DECEMBER 5 IN THE POLICE REBELLION HEADED BY FORMER POLICE CHIEF EDUARDO HERRERA AGAINST PRESIDENT ENDARA'S GOVERNMENT.

A FOREIGN MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE INFORMED THAT THE SAFE CONDUCTS WERE APPROVED SINCE THE CRIMES COMMITTED BY THE OFFICERS ARE OF AN OBVIOUSLY POLITICAL NATURE.

THE PANAMANIAN POLICE REBELS ENTERED THE GUATEMALAN EMBASSY LAST FRIDAY SEEKING ASYLUM AFTER U.S. TROOPS REPRESSED THE UPRISING STAGED ON DECEMBER 4-5.

ON DECEMBER 10, THE GUATEMALAN FOREIGN MINISTRY REQUESTED SAFE CONDUCTS FOR THE THREE OFFICERS, TWO OF WHOM GRADUATED FROM GUATEMALA'S MILITARY SCHOOL.

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#90346h0192 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) XINHUA - A CHINESE GOVERNMENT TRADE DELEGATION ENDED ITS TWO-DAY VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES TODAY AFTER EXCHANGING VIEWS WITH U.S. SENIOR OFFICIALS ON THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF BILATERAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS AND TRADE.

THE DELEGATION, HEADED BY GU YONGIANG, VICE MINISTER OF CHINA'S FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS AND TRADE, ARRIVED IN WASHINGTON DECEMBER 9 AT AN INVITATION OF U.S. UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE MICHAEL FARREN.

GU AND HIS DELEGATION HELD TALKS WITH SENIOR OFFICIALS AT THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND THE OFFICE OF THE U.S. TRADE REPRESENTATIVE RESPECTIVELY.

ACCORDING TO SOURCES CLOSE TO THE DELEGATION, THE TWO SIDES ENHANCED THEIR UNDERSTANDING THROUGH THE TALKS, AND AGREED TO STRENGTHEN THE WORK OF VARIOUS WORKING GROUPS UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE SINO-U.S. JOINT TRADE COMMITTEE IN ORDER TO RESOLVE PROBLEMS RELATED TO BILATERAL TRADE.

THEY ALSO AGREED THAT THE CUSTOMS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES SHOULD DISCUSS WAYS TO NARROW THEIR DIFFERENCES ON THE METHODS OF COUNTING TRADE STATISTICS.

THE DELEGATION LEFT WASHINGTON FOR HOME THIS MORNING.

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#90346h0204 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DAKAR (DEC. 12) XINHUA - THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (UNDP) HAS OFFERED A GRANT OF 163 MILLION CFA FRANCS (ABOUT 0.63 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) TO NIGER, A DESERT-DOMINATED AFRICAN COUNTRY, TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION OF SMALL IRRIGATION WORKS.

THE NIGER PRESS AGENCY REPORTED THAT THE AID WILL TAKE THE FORM OF AGRICULTURAL LOANS FOR RECRUITING SPECIALISTS AND TRAINING WORKERS FOR THE IRRIGATION PROJECTS.

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#90346h0205 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ATHENS (DEC. 12) XINHUA - A CYPRUS PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION LED BY HOUSE PRESIDENT VASSOS LYSSSARIDES ARRIVED HERE TODAY FOR TALKS WITH THEIR GREEK COUNTERPARTS ON HOW TO COORDINATE THEIR FURTHER ACTIONS ON THE CYPRUS PROBLEM.

THE DELEGATION'S THREE-DAY VISIT FOLLOWS CYPRUS PRESIDENT GEORGE VASSILIOU'S TRIP TO ATHENS LAST WEEK.

THE EIGHT-MEMBER DELEGATION WILL ALSO HOLD TALKS WITH THE GREEK GOVERNMENT AND POLITICAL LEADERS, INCLUDING PRESIDENT CONSTANTINE KARAMANLIS, PREMIER CONSTANTINE MITSOTAKIS AND MAIN OPPOSITION PASOK PARTY LEADER ANDREAS PAPANDREOU.

GREETING THE DELEGATION, GREEK PARLIAMENT PRESIDENT ATHANASSIOS TSALDARIS SAID THAT NEW DEVELOPMENTS SUCH AS THE RECENT CONFERENCE ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE (CSCE) SUMMIT IN PARIS, DETENTE BETWEEN THE SUPERPOWERS AND THE GULF CRISIS CALLED FOR THE NEED TO "ANALYZE AND POSSIBLY ADOPT A NEW STRATEGY FOR A FAVORABLE SETTLEMET OF THE CYPRUS PROBLEM."

LYSSARIDES SAID BOTH COUNTRIES SHOULD ADVANCE THE CYPRUS PROBLEM WITHIN EUROPE WHICH IS PLAYING A MORE SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN DEALING WITH REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL DISPUTES TODAY.

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#90346h0206 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
PORT-LOUIS (DEC. 12) XINHUA - CHINA IS ALWAYS READY TO DO ITS BEST TO HELP FRIENDLY COUNTRIES DEVELOP THEIR ECONOMY DESPITE ITS OWN RELATIVELY WEAK ECONOMY, CHINESE VICE-MINISTER OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS AND TRADE WAN WENDONG SAID HERE WEDNESDAY.

WAN IS LEADING A CHINESE ECONOMIC AND TRADE DELEGATION TO A THREE-DAY REGULAR SESSION OF THE MIXED COMMISSION OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION WITH MAURITIUS. THE MEETING BEGAN TODAY AND IS EXPECTED TO PRODUCE A NEW ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT. UNDER THE CO-OPERATION PROGRAM WHICH BEGAN IN 1983, CHINA HAS HELPED MAURITIUS BUILD AN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, A SPORTS STADIUM AND DEVELOP SEVERAL AGRICULTURAL PROJECTS.

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#90346h0208 12/12/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
RABAT, (DEC. 12) (XINHUA) -- KUWAIT BACKS ALL ARAB MEDIATION TO AVERT CATASTROPHE IN THE GULF, THE HEAD OF A KUWAITI PARLIAMENTARIAN DELEGATION, AHMED SAADOUNE, SAID HERE TODAY.

HE TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE THAT THE U.S.-IRAQ DIALOGUE COULD NOT BE SEPARATE FROM THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, BECAUSE U.S. ACTIONS WERE PART OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS. HE DENIED THAT HIS COUNTRY HAD ANY CONTACT WITH IRAQ.

SAADOUNE SAID IRAQ COULD AVOID THE CATASTROPHE WHICH MENACES THE ARAB WORLD ONLY IF IT OBSERVES ALL U.N. RESOLUTIONS RELATED TO THE GULF CRISIS.

ON THE PRESENCE OF FOREIGN FORCES IN THE GULF, HE SAID THE PEOPLES OF THE REGION HAD BEEN FORCED TO APPEAL TO THEM FOR PROTECTION.

THE DELEGATION, WHICH ARRIVED HERE ON TUESDAY, CAME HERE TO EXPLAIN TO MOROCCO THE KUWAITI POSITION ON THE IRAQI INVASION OF THEIR COUNTRY.

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#90346k0069 12/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
OSAKA (DEC. 12) KYODO - DAIHATSU DIESEL MFG. CO. SAID WEDNESDAY IT HAS SIGNED AN AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE HYUNDAI HEAVY INDUSTRIES CO. OF SOUTH KOREA WITH TECHNOLOGY FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF MEDIUM-SPEED DIESEL ENGINES.

THE COMPANY SAID SOUTH KOREA'S LARGEST SHIPBUILDER, BASED IN ULSAN, WILL PRODUCE DIESEL ENGINES WITH OUTPUT RANGING FROM 500 TO 3,000 HORSEPOWER FOR A VARIETY OF USES.

HYUNDAI PLANS TO MANUFACTURE ENGINES FOR POWER GENERATION FOR LARGE-SIZED

SHIPS AND FOR PROPULSION OF SMALL-SIZED VESSELS AS WELL AS ELECTRICITY GENERATORS, STARTING FROM APRIL NEXT YEAR.

THE INITIAL PRODUCTION VOLUME OF ABOUT 150 ENGINES PER YEAR WILL BE INCREASED TO 300 IN THREE YEARS, THE COMPANY SAID.

PRODUCTS WILL BE SOLD TO USERS IN SOUTH KOREA, MOSTLY MEMBER COMPANIES OF THE HYUNDAI GROUP.

HYUNDAI, WHICH HAS BEEN MANUFACTURING LARGE-SCALE DIESEL ENGINES WITH OUTPUT OF MORE THAN 6,000 HORSEPOWER, WILL BE THE FIFTH COMPANY TO BE LICENSED BY DAIHATSU.

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#90346k0075 12/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 12) KYODO - TRADE AND INDUSTRY SECRETARY JOSE CONCEPCION ON WEDNESDAY DISCLOSED THE WITHDRAWAL BY TAIWANESE INVESTORS FROM A CONTROVERSIAL 500 MILLION DOLLAR PETROCHEMICAL PROJECT IN THE PHILIPPINES.

THE USI FAR EAST CORP. PROJECT WOULD HAVE BEEN THE LARGEST SINGLE FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN THE PHILIPPINES SINCE PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO TOOK POWER IN 1986.

TAIWANESE INVESTORS HAVE BEEN AMONG THE TOP THREE FOREIGN INVESTORS IN THE COUNTRY FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS.

CONCEPCION SAID HE WAS INFORMED ON DECEMBER 5 BY USI FAR EAST CHAIRMAN A.T. CHONG ABOUT THE FIRM'S DECISION TO ABANDON THE LUZON PETROCHEMICAL PROJECT CORP. PROJECT, WHICH CRITICS ALLEGED WAS RIDDLED WITH FINANCIAL IRREGULARITIES.

''WE VIEW THIS DEVELOPMENT WITH MUCH REGRET, ALTHOUGH WE APPRECIATE THE DIFFICULTIES AND COMPLICATIONS THAT HAVE LED TO SUCH A DECISION,'' CONCEPCION SAID IN A STATEMENT READ DURING A PRESS CONFERENCE.

''UP TO THE LAST MINUTE, WE DID EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO SAVE THE PROJECT. AND FOR NO OTHER REASON OTHER THAN THE IMPETUS IT COULD HAVE SERVED THE PHILIPPINE ECONOMY, IN TERMS OF JOBS, NEW INDUSTRIES, FOREIGN EXCHANGE SAVINGS AND GROWTH '' HE ADDED.

THE TAIWANESE FIRM'S WITHDRAWAL CAME ALMOST A MONTH AFTER THE PHILIPPINE SUPREME COURT OVERTURNED A GOVERNMENT DECISION TO TRANSFER THE PROJECT SITE FROM BATAAN PROVINCE TO BATANGAS PROVINCE, 90 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF MANILA.

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#90346k0083 12/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KUSHIRO, HOKKAIDO PREF. (DEC. 12) KYODO - JAPANESE FISHERIES COMPANIES SIGNED

A CONTRACT ON WEDNESDAY TO INVEST IN A FISHERIES FIRM TO BE SET UP JOINTLY WITH THE SOVIET UNION, OFFICIALS SAID.

FISHERIES COMPANIES IN THE NORTHERN JAPANESE CITY OF KUSHIRO, HOKKAIDO WILL HOLD 31 PERCENT OF KAMKAIDO, WHICH WILL BE HEADQUARTERED IN PETROPAVLOVSK-KAMCHATSKIY ON THE KAMCHATKA PENINSULA.

THE FISHERIES AUTHORITIES OF KAMCHATKA WILL OWN THE REST OF THE JOINT COMPANY, WHICH WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT AN EQUIVALENT OF 32 MILLION YEN.

THE NEW COMPANY, SCHEDULED TO BEGIN OPERATIONS NEXT FEBRUARY, AIMS TO ENGAGE IN PROCESSING AND SALES OF SEAFOOD, AS WELL AS SHIP LEASING AND OTHER FISHERIES-RELATED BUSINESS.

KAMKAIDO WILL BE A SOVIET FIRM AND ITS ACTIVITIES WILL BE BOUND BY SOVIET LAWS THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90346k0084 12/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 12) KYODO - TEISAN K.K., A LEADING PRODUCER OF INDUSTRIAL GASES, SAID WEDNESDAY IT HAS BOUGHT FROM THE CHINESE SUBSIDIARY OF A FRENCH FIRM HALF OF ITS OUTSTANDING SHARES.

TEISAN SAID IT HAS ALSO BEEN AWARDED A CONTRACT FROM THE FIRM, LIQUID AIR SHANGHAI, TO FURNISH IT WITH A NITROGEN GAS PRODUCTION SUPPLY SYSTEM WORTH ABOUT 400 MILLION YEN.

THIS WILL MARK THE FIRST TIME THAT A JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL GAS MAKER HAS BOUGHT STOCK IN A CHINESE FIRM.

LIQUID AIR SHANGHAI, CAPITALIZED AT 3.5 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, WAS FORMED IN JANUARY AS THE WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF THE FRENCH L'AIR LIQUIDE GROUP, THE WORLD'S LARGEST PRODUCER OF INDUSTRIAL GAS.

THE SUBSIDIARY WAS CREATED TO PROVIDE OXYGEN AND NITROGEN TO WESTERN HIGH-TECH FIRMS, WHICH ARE ADVANCING INTO SHANGHAI'S DEVELOPING DISTRICTS.

TEISAN, A L'AIR LIQUIDE AFFILIATE, DECIDED TO ACQUIRE SOME OF LIQUID AIR SHANGHAI'S SHARES AND EXPAN ITS BUSINESS, IN THE HOPES OF CASHING IN ON THE EXPECTED RISE IN INDUSTRIAL GAS DEMAND IN THE REGION.

THIS LATEST MOVE WILL GIVE TEISAN, WHICH HAS SET UP SIMILAR FIRMS IN SOUTH KOREA AND TAIWAN, A FIRM PRODUCTION BASE IN SOUTHEAST ASIA.

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#90346k0089 12/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (DEC. 12) KYODO - ROYAL HOTEL ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY IT WILL CONSTRUCT A LARGE-SCALE RESORT HOTEL WITH A GOLF COURSE IN MALAYSIA WITH A LOCAL PARTNER.

THE COMPANY SAID PLANS CALL FOR INVESTMENT OF 5.5 BILLION YEN TO BUILD A SIX-STORY HOTEL WITH 250 ROOMS ON A TRACT OF ABOUT 97,000 SQUARE METERS IN THE PORT CITY OF MIRI IN SARAWAK.

CONSTRUCTION IS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER NEXT YEAR FOR COMPLETION IN SEPTEMBER 1994, THE COMPANY SAID.

AN EQUALLY OWNED JOINT FIRM WILL BE ESTABLISHED WITH LOCAL REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY KRAZ HOLDINGS SDN., BHD. BY EARLY FEBRUARY, IT SAID.

THE NEW FIRM WILL CONSTRUCT AND OWN THE HOTEL WITH ROYAL HOTEL MANAGING IT.

THE COMPANY SAID IT AIMS AT ANNUAL SALES OF ABOUT 1.3 BILLION YEN WITHIN THREE YEARS.

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#90346k0091 12/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 12) KYODO - MAZDA MOTOR CORP. SAID WEDNESDAY IT PLANS TO START COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION OF POLLUTION-FREE CARS POWERED BY HYDROGEN GAS IN THE LATE 1990S.

THE COMPANY SAID IT HAS BEEN EXPERIMENTING WITH A PROTOTYPE MOUNTED WITH A ROTARY ENGINE USING HYDROGEN GAS AS FUEL.

MAZDA DEVELOPS ROTARY ENGINES FOR AUTOMOBILES. OFFICIALS SAID THE COMPANY IS CONSIDERING THE HYDROGEN GAS-POWERED VEHICLE AS THE CORE OF ITS LONG- AND MEDIUM-TERM STRATEGIES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF LOW-POLLUTION VEHICLES.

THE PROTOTYPE, BASED ON MAZDA'S CAPELLA CAR MODEL, WILL BE EXHIBITED AT THE TOKYO INTERNATIONAL MOTOR SHOW SCHEDULED FOR NEXT FALL, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

HYDROGEN GAS WILL NOT RELEASE CARBON DIOXIDE EXHAUST, WHICH IS REGARDED AS THE MAIN SOURCE OF GLOBAL WARMING, THUS PREVENTING ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION, THEY SAID.

MAZDA IS THE FIRST AUTOMAKER IN THE WORLD WHICH ANNOUNCED PLANS TO START COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION OF HYDROGEN GAS-POWERED VEHICLES.

AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURERS HAVE BEEN ASKED TO COOPERATE IN REDUCING THE AMOUNT OF CARBON DIOXIDE EXHAUST RELEASED BY VEHICLES.

THE COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID THE EXPERIMENTAL HYDROGEN-POWERED ROTARY ENGINE IS AN IMPROVED VERSION OF MAZDA'S 1308 CC 13B ROTARY ENGINE USED FOR SPORTS CARS.

A SPECIAL HYDROGEN ASPIRATING AND SPOUTING METAL ALLOY PLACED IN THE FUEL TANK WILL SUPPLY HYDROGEN GAS FUEL TO THE ENGINE, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE VEHICLE CAN CRUISE A DISTANCE OF 200 KILOMETERS WITH A SUPPLY OF HYDROGEN GAS, THEY SAID.

THE OFFICIALS SAID MAZDA PLANS TO START DEVELOPING A NEW CAR POWERED BY THE HYDROGEN GAS ENGINE FROM 1995 AFTER EXPERIMENTS WITH THE PROTOTYPE.

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#90346k0092 12/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 12) KYODO - DENTSU INC, JAPAN'S LEADING ADVERTISING COMPANY, SAID WEDNESDAY A MULTINATIONAL ADVERTISING AGENCY IT ESTABLISHED WITH YOUNG AND RUBICAM OF THE UNITED STATES AND EUROCOM OF FRANCE TWO YEARS AGO WILL BE RESTRUCTURED AT THE END OF THIS YEAR.

THE JOINT VENTURE, HDM NETWORK, NOW OPERATES 91 OFFICES IN 27 COUNTRIES, BUT EUROCOM IS PLANNING A PRIVATE OPERATION IN EUROPE AND HAS REQUESTED SEPARATION ACCORDING TO DENTSU OFFICIALS.

EUROCOM, WHICH OWNS A MAJORITY STAKE IN HDM IN EUROPE, WILL PURCHASE ALL THE INTERESTS OF DENTSU AND YOUNG AND RUBICAM IN EUROPE, WHILE DENTSU AND THE AMERICAN FIRM WILL ACQUIRE EUROCOM'S HDM INTERESTS IN ASIA, OCEANIA, AND THE U.S. TO OPERATE OFFICES UNDER THE HDM NAME UNTIL A NEW NAME IS DECIDED UPON, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

DENTSU WILL IN FUTURE SEEK TIES WITH OTHER EUROPEAN ADVERTISING FIRMS TO RETAIN BUSINESS BASES IN THE EUROPEAN CONTINENT, THEY ADDED.

ESTABLISHED IN 1988, HDM'S ANNUAL SALES AMOUNTED TO 2.56 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS LAST YEAR, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS.

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#90346k0095 12/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TEHRAN (DEC. 12) KYODO - ALGERIAN PRESIDENT BEN DJEDID CHADLI IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN IRAN ON THURSDAY, THE OFFICIAL RADIO TEHRAN SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE RADIO SAID CHADLI'S VISIT IS PART OF HIS TRIP TO THE MIDDLE EAST, BUT IT GAVE NO FURTHER DETAILS.

INFORMED SOURCES IN TEHRAN SAID THE TRIP IS IN LINE WITH ALGERIA'S INTENTION TO ACT AS MEDIATOR IN A SETTLEMENT OF THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS, AND THAT CHADLI WILL HAVE TALKS WITH IRANIAN OFFICIALS ON WAYS TO ACHIEVE A PEACEFUL SOLUTION.

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#90346k0096 12/12/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 12) KYODO - MITSUBISHI PETROCHEMICAL CO. SAID WEDNESDAY IT WILL SET UP A JOINT VENTURE IN JAPAN WITH A U.S. CHEMICAL FIRM TO PRODUCE A RAW MATERIAL FOR AN INTERFACIAL ACTIVE AGENT.

MITSUBISHI PETROCHEMICAL AND THE PARTNER, SCHENECTADY CHEMICALS INC., HAVE AGREED TO INVEST EQUALLY IN THE NEW FIRM, BUT THE CAPITAL AND THE NAME OF THE NEW FIRM HAVE YET TO BE DECIDED, MITSUBISHI OFFICIALS SAID.

THE NEW FIRM WILL BE LAUNCHED IN SPRING NEXT YEAR AND AIMS AT AN ANNUAL PRODUCTION OF 10,000 TO 15,000 TONS BY 1992, THEY ADDED.

THE NEW YORK-BASED PARTNER IS THE LARGEST PRODUCER OF THE INTERFACIAL ACTIVE AGENT CALLED ALKYLPHENOL, WHICH IS ALSO USED AS AN ADDITIVE FOR RESIN AND LUBE.

CURRENTLY, DOMESTIC PRODUCTION OF ALKYLPHENOL IS ABOUT 50,000 TONS PER YEAR. DEMAND IS EXPECTED TO GROW IN THE FUTURE, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIALS.

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#90346m0001 12/12/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 12) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei edges up 42 points. ... The FTSE is off one point at midday. ... U.S. stocks are marginally lower in London where DIGITAL is up on news of a cost cutting program. ... The yield on the long Treasury bond is at 8.05% and the dollar is lower. ... Brent North Sea crude is down 60 cents to $26.40. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT says the third-quarter current account deficit was up 13.9% to $25.6 billion in the third-quarter. ... The FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. says bank profits fell 29% during the third quarter. ... PRESIDENT BUSH has reappointed ROBERT CLARKE as COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY. mutual company to a stock company. ... TEXAS INSTRUMENTS says it has reached a 10-year agreement with TOSHIBA on patent licensing.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The GROUP OF SEVEN nations may meet next month to discuss German interest rates and the weak dollar. ... The TREASURY says it will begin auctioning five-year Treasury notes on a monthly basis next year and will discontinue the sale of four-year notes.

FROM THE BULLS:

Look for a 20% or better gain in stocks over the next year, says newly bullish

ELAINE GARZARELLI, director of sector research at SHEARSON LEHMAN. "We're through with the bear market - it took over a year. We bottomed at 2365 on October 11," says Garzarelli, who has only made four major market calls in the past six years. "I think the worst [of the recession] is right now," says Garzarelli. "In the third and fourth quarters [of 1991, GNP] is going to be rising again ... interest rates are down so substantially." (CNN "Business Morning", 12/12)

"The overall [stock market] trend remains up," says JOAN LAPPIN, president of GRAMERCY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. She says Tuesday's market action was "surface noise." "The market's climbing a wall of worry and most people still feel this is nothing more than a bear market rally." (NYT, 12/12)

FROM THE BEARS:

"The bear [market] isn't over yet in terms of either price or time," says STEVEN EINHORN, chairman of the investment policy committee and the partner in charge of the research team at GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. He says the stock market has yet to digest the "dark side" of the recession focusing instead on falling interest rates and moderating inflation. But soon investors will have to contend with falling corporate profits. "Analysts have not yet revised downward their estimates [on corporate earnings] to conform to economic reality. That poses a risk for the equity market," says Mr. Einhorn. He says that to turn bullish he needs a clearer picture of how long and deep the recession will be. Corporate earnings estimates need to drop to more reasonable levels, and stocks need to look cheaper when compared with bonds. He says stock prices may have to fall 10% to 12% from current levels before that happens. (WSJ, 12/12)

STOCK MARKET:

"To read too much into these daily and even weekly fluctuations based primarily on news from the Middle East is kind of a dangerous practice," says CHARLES COLSON, editor of "Dow Theory Forecast." He says the market is in a general retracement, and says it needs to re- test the 2365 level before beginning up again. Colson thinks that if war broke out and the market fell to, but held at 2365, "that could be very appealing in terms of laying a very firm bottom." But if the market fell through the 2365 level, "that would signal that the bear market is still intact." ("Investor's Daily", 12/12)

"If we break down through the 2575 level [on the industrial average], we could see an accelerated move back down to the low 2500s," says DALE TILLS, manager of institutional equities trading at CHARLES SCHWAB. He notes that on Tuesday "the market was just drifting all day on extremely light volume." (WSJ, 12/12)

The probabilities are very strong that "the overwhelming majority of stocks have seen their lows," says STAN WEINSTEIN at the "Professional Tape Reader." Weinstein says several of his early warning gauges continue to flash a

favorable message. But while the overall pattern continues to improve, Weinstein cautions, "It's still far from bullish ... [it's] not a great sign that there's plenty of supply starting near 2700." (CNBC "World Business", 12/12)

"Our date with reality is coming up real soon," says BRADLEY TURNER, chairman of the investment policy committee at McDONALD & CO. SECURITIES. He says fourth-quarter earnings disappointments or further bank problems could be the catalyst to send stocks sliding further -- perhaps back to their October lows. (WSJ, 12/12)

"Without any real direction from the economy, the Middle East and interest rates, the market is going to blip around on year-end portfolio adjusting -- no question about it," says PETER KEEFE, analyst at JOHNSTON, LEMON. ("USA Today", 12/12)

"The stock market will probably begin [to respond to Fed easing] sometime around the middle of the second quarter of 1991," says MONTE GORDON at DREYFUS CORP. "It will begin to become perceptible that it's beginning to work, that the economy, in its natural resilience, has squeezed out a lot of the problems and has begun to turn around." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/11)

STOCK TIPS:

BARRINGTON RESEARCH ASSOCIATES recommends stock in A. SCHULMAN INC., an Ohio-based maker of plastic compounds and resins used in products ranging from consumer goods and packaging to electronics and autos. It says earnings should grow 15% annually in the next few years. ("USA Today", 12/12)

ADEPTEC's bleak earnings yesterday sent the stock plummeting along with other technology issues. SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS analyst EDWARD WHITE expects Adeptec to earn about 20 to 25 cents a share in its third quarter, down from his previous estimate of 47 cents a share. Mr. White, however, calls the stock attractive at its current levels. (WSJ, 12/12)

APPLE fell 1 3/4 to 40 and SUN MICROSYSTEMS dipped 1 to 22 1/2 as DAVID KORUS of KIDDER, PEABODY recommended underweighting personal computer companies. Earnings "will most likely trend downward," according to Korus. ("Investor's Daily", 12/12)

JOHN McMILLIN, food analyst for PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECURITIES INC. recommends IBP, formally called Iowa Beef, on the strength of its potential sale following the death of ARMAND HAMMER, long-time chairman and chief executive of OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP. which owns a 51% controlling interest in IBP. Analysts forecast that IBP might be one of the first operations to be sold under Occidental's new management. (NYT, 12/12)

In the early part of a recession, the best performers tend to be steady growth

stocks such as utilities, drug, tobacco and foods, says ELAINE GARZARELLI at SHEARSON LEHMAN. "Now I think portfolio managers should begin to sell those groups and go into the early cyclicals." These will outperform in the first year of a bull market, going up 2-3 times the overall market, says Garzarelli. Fourteen industries comprise the early cyclical group, led by leisure time: "BRUNSWICK is the biggest in that group." She also names newspapers, housing, consumer goods and semi-conductors. (CNN "Business Morning", 12/12)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 12) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

The dollar firmed Tuesday on indications that the Group of Seven nations may meet next month to discuss the dollar's frailty. "The [currency] market reacted to statements, rather than trying to forge any new direction. We tried the downside - when that didn't work, we tried the upside," but that doesn't mean a dollar reversal, says DENNIS PETTIT, vice president and foreign exchange manager at LONG- TERM CREDIT BANK OF JAPAN in New York. Despite apparent expectations that a G-7 meeting will be dollar-supportive, Mr. Petit says, "I'm not so convinced that's what we should expect. ... We could just as well see a statement saying that additional strength in the yen might not be undesirable." He adds that other than FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN's expression of concern over the dollar's weakness, there hasn't been the kind of jawboning from the U.S. that normally would precede concerted support for a flagging dollar. (WSJ, 12/12)

"People are presuming with a capital P that the outcome [of the G-7 meeting] will be possibly an attempt to stabilize the dollar," says ROBERT HATCHER of BARCLAYS BANK PLC. "Basically the situation with the dollar was pretty much a complete turnaround from the morning." ("Investor's Daily", 12/12)

SUNG WON SOHN, chief economist at NORWEST CORP. in Minneapolis, says he expects the Fed to cut the federal funds rate half a point before year end, accompanied by a half-point drop in the discount rate. Yet Mr. Sohn doesn't expect the lower rates to have much effect on the weakening economy because banks, stung by bad loans, are reluctant to lend and consumers and corporations are reluctant to borrow. "If the basic problem is a poor economy and big debts, you can't improve the debt situation until the economy turns around," he says. And "you can't turn the economy around by just lowering interest rates," because "with so much debt out there" people aren't borrowing. (WSJ, 12/12)

STEVEN WOOD, director of financial market research at the BANK OF AMERICA,

says that "if only monetary policy is going to be used to bring us out of recession, interest rates are going to need to fall a lot more before a lot of outstanding debt gets refinanced" and banks start lending again. (NYT, 12/12)

"The turn of events has been such that the Fed cannot argue that it's going to hold [steady] because there is an inflation problem, because there is no inflation problem - there is a deflation problem," says MONTE GORDON at DREYFUS CORP. "You will probably see that when you see the PPI figures later this week." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/11)

"The prime rate will come down much more slowly than measures of the cost of bank funding, like the fed funds rate," says FIRST BOSTON chief economist NEAL SOSS. "Banks do need a wider profit margin in order to rebuild their own positions." (CNN "Moneyline", 12/11)

"Banks have been punished fairly badly in terms of underwriting standards," says ROBERT ALBERTSON, a bank analyst at GOLDMAN SACHS. With those stricter regulations, Albertson says they are not "eager at this point to try and instill new lending using interest rates as a lure." (CNN "Moneyline", 12/11)

"There is a very firm tone to the bond market, even though at this point it is overbought," says JOSEPH LIRO, a senior vice president and money market economist at S.G. WARBURG & COMPANY. "It just doesn't give up." (NYT, 12/12)

"I didn't like Treasury bonds when they were yielding more than 9% because I was afraid the Mideast crisis would drive up oil prices and inflation, but I sure am kicking myself now," says one portfolio manager. "Still, I believe bonds can rally further from here." ("Investor's Daily", 12/12)

New York City, with tax revenues plunging and fiscal woes mounting, is expected to pay a penalty to sell $1.2 billion of bonds today, one of the year's biggest municipal bond offerings. "For sophisticated institutional investors, this may be a great chance to get a bargain," says S. E. CANADAY JR., a vice president at JOHN NUVEEN & CO. But unsophisticated individual investors, he says, could be surprised by the New York bonds' unusual volatility. (WSJ, 12/12)

THE ECONOMY:

The annual economic survey by the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PURCHASING MANAGEMENT says that the managers expect that the manufacturing economy will be in recession for the first half of next year, with labor costs rising and capital expenditures increasing slightly. "Purchasers expect a recovery to begin in the later half of the year fueled by continued relatively strong growth in exports and a declining trend in inflation," says ROBERT BRETZ, director of purchasing at PITNEY BOWES INC. and chairman of the association's business survey committee. "However, they predict the best the economy will be able to muster in 1991 is an anemic 2.2 percent nominal growth, before

deducting for inflation." (NYT, 12/12)

"We are, we have been, and we're going to be" in a recession until at least the middle of next year, says MAUREEN ALLYN of SCUDDER, STEVENS & CLARK. "We're going to get some beautiful CPI. numbers" next year, says Allyn. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/11)

"What is very surprising is that this recession, which I believe started in August, is already almost as bad in terms of the severity of the [employment] decline as the 1981-82 recession," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "This is a hum-ding, wind-ding, generalized recession affecting both the service industries as well as manufacturing. ... If you look at the numbers, it's certainly more pervasive than it was that time. It's affecting a wider area of the economy." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/11)

IN WASHINGTON:

"The world is different than it was 20 years ago," reveals REP. TOBY ROTH (R. - Wisc.). "We have to bring our financial institutions into the modern world." Roth is supporting an Administration plan to revamp banking regulations. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/11)

"We can work through the current [banking] problems if lenders assume their responsibility to make loans and take reasonable risks and if regulators follow a responsive, balanced approach that takes into account ... the very significant national interest in not unnecessarily depressing credit availability," says ROBERT CLARKE, newly-reappointed COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY. "Now is a time for the application of common sense, a time when neither lenders nor regulators should overreact or be unresponsive." ("The Washington Post", 12/12)

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ATLANTA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Hayes Microcomputer Products Inc. today announced that on Dec. 31 it will purchase virtually all of the assets of Waterloo Microsystems Inc. (WMI), a developer and manufacturer of local area networking software based in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada.

WMI's assets will be incorporated into Hayes and Hayes Microcomputer Products (Canada) Limited.

During the 1991 transition, Hayes plans to conduct certain network product development as well as Canadian sales and customer support activities at the Waterloo, Ontario, location. Hayes currently provides Canadian customer support for all Hayes products through its Mississauga, Ontario, office at 416-283-2627.

"Our purchase of Waterloo Microsystems' assets will provide us with technology resources that are important to our strategic plans for future Hayes products " said Hayes President Dennis C. Hayes. "As a result of this purchase, our presence in Canada is expanded. We can now offer greater support to our Canadian distributors, dealers and customers through an enhanced commitment to the Canadian market."

"WMI's employees look forward to joining Hayes and becoming part of a respected team recognized for its quality product line," said Waterloo Microsystems Inc. President and CEO Thomas Beynon. "And, we welcome Hayes to the Waterloo, Ontario, high technology community."

Best known as the leader in microcomputer modems, Hayes develops, supplies and supports computer communications equipment and software for personal computer and computer communication networks. The company distributes its products through an international network of authorized dealers, resellers, system integrators and original equipment manufacturers.

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EL SEGUNDO, CALIF. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Infonet, the leading international value-added network services company, today announced that it will interconnect its worldwide Notice 400 messaging service with AT&T Mail.

The link between AT&T Mail and Infonet's Notice 400 will be accomplished using the international X.400 standard for connecting dissimilar E-mail systems. X.400 is the data format, envelope and routing standard for messaging recommended by the international standards committee, CCITT.

Infonet already has an operational link between Notice 400 and MCI Mail. "Once the interconnect with AT&T Mail is established, our multinational Notice 400 clients will be able to exchange messages with their business partners who subscribe to two of the largest public E-mail carriers in North America," said Infonet President Jose A. Collazo.

AT&T Mail is both a public and private messaging service. It offers a variety of delivery options, including facsimile, telex, U.S. Postal Service or courier.

Notice 400 is accessible in more than 115 countries for worldwide electronic mail, facsimile and telex transmissions. Users may transmit binary files via Notice 400 as well, without first converting them to ASCII text.

Established in 1970, Infonet is the leading standards-based, international value-added network services company. It provides and directly supports communication and computer services worldwide. All told, Infonet serves more than 10,000 user sites throughout the world. The company is jointly owned by MCI and 10 major European and Asia Pacific telecommunication administrations.

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#90346p2299 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORANGE, CALIF. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Bergen Brunswig Corp. (AMEX: BBC) today reported sales and earnings growth for the first quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

Net sales and other revenues for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, increased 9 percent to $1.18 billion from $1.09 billion a year ago. The gain in net earnings was 14 percent to $17.0 million from $14.9 million in the prior-year quarter.

Fully diluted earnings per share were $.47 for the quarter, an increase of 9 percent from the $.43 reported a year earlier. Average shares outstanding, fully diluted, were 40.7 million for the quarter, 15 percent higher than the 35.4 million shares in the prior-year quarter.

Robert E. Martini, president and chief executive officer, said, "Bergen Brunswig Drug Company continued the strong sales growth of the previous fiscal year. For the quarter, sales increased 12.5 percent. Contributing to an operating earnings increase of 15.6 percent were a slightly higher gross margin, effective operating controls, and working capital management."

"Bergen Brunswig's 79 percent-owned in home entertainment distribution, Commtron Corporation, reported a decrease in revenues to $152.4 million from $173.5 million for the year ago quarter. Commtron net earnings of $3.15 million compared to $3.09 million in the prior-year quarter," Martini added.

Bergen Brunswig Corporation is one of the nation's largest distributors of prescription pharmaceuticals and other health care products and the largest national distributor of prerecorded video cassettes.

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#90346p2302 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. (NYSE: CHH) today announced that the Hart-Scott-Rodino waiting period has expired

concerning the proposed sale of Thalhimer Brothers Inc., to The May Department Stores Co. (NYSE: MA) Thalhimers operates department stores in the southeastern United States and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Carter Hawley Hale. With the expiration of the waiting period, the company expects the sale transaction will close by the end of this week.

Carter Hawley Hale also operates department stores under the names of The Broadway-Southern California, The Broadway-Southwest, Emporium, and Weinstocks.

CONTACT: Bill Dombrowski, media, 213-239-6522, or E. Harlin Smith, investors, 213-239-6626, of Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc.

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#90346p2303 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

STATE COLLEGE, PA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Uni-Marts, Inc. (NASDAQ: UNMA A) today announced that it has declared its regular quarterly cash dividend of 2.5 cents per share on its Class A and Class B Common Stock, payable on Jan. 22, 1991, to holders of record of its Common Stock at the close of business on Dec. 31, 1990.

Uni-Marts, headquartered in State College, Pa., is a leading independent operator of 341 convenience stores located in Pennsylvania, western New York, southern New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland.

CONTACT: J. Kirk Gallaher, senior vice president-finance, 814-234-6000

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#90346p2305 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - International Murex Technologies Corporation (TSE, AMEX: MXX), formerly Murex Clinical Technologies Corporation, today announced that the company's public offering of units in Canada closed on Dec. 11, 1990. On that date, 3,275,000 units had been sold at $6 per unit, with each unit consisting of one common share and one common share purchase warrant. The warrants are exercisable until Nov. 30, 1992, with two warrants entitling the holder to acquire one common share at a purchase price of $6. The units were offered by the company's agents, Deacon Barclays de Zoetc Wedd Limited and ScotiaMcLeod, Inc.

The company also announced it has changed its name to International Murex Technologies Corporation. The name change was approved at the company's April 17, 1990, annual general meeting and became effective upon completion of the offering in Canada.

On the closing, a seven for one share consolidation took place. In addition, the company's shares began trading on the American and Toronto Stock Exchanges.

International Murex Technologies Corporation is the parent company for Murex Corporation headquartered in Norcross, Ga., and Dominion Biologicals Limited of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.

Murex Corporation is an international immunodiagnostics systems company focused on the development, manufacture and marketing of novel, rapid in vitro testing systems, known as the SUDS (Single Use Diagnostic System) system, that diagnose and monitor human diseases, including AIDS. The single use, easy to read, rapid format SUDS tests are marketed primarily to the alternate site market which includes doctors' offices, clinics, emergency wards and hospitals. Dominion Biologicals Limited is Canada's leading developer and producer of diagnostic products utilized in blood transfusion practices. Dominion's advanced biotechnology manufacturing research facility is dedicated to the development and production of innovative immunodiagnostic reagents and test systems.

Murex and SUDS are registered trademarks of Murex Corporation of Norcross, Ga.

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#90346p2307 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CALIF. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Universal Cellular Inc. is breaking away from the cellular industry pack with the introduction of the first PagerPhone, a pocket-sized portable telephone with a built-in pager. The Universal PagerPhone weighs approximately 13 ounces, yet it offers an unparalleled continuous talk-time of over two hours plus a technological breakthrough: an integrated alphanumeric pager.

Developed for busy professionals, the PagerPhone allows its users to stay in constant touch, while its unique integrated pager gives them the power to control when and where they will receive and return calls. And, because the pager is alphanumeric, it can display phone numbers and transmitted messages of up to 40 words.

According to Universal Cellular Inc.'s Chief Executive Officer James Wohl, the PagerPhone addresses concerns of cellular users and non-users alike.

"While people on-the-move want to be in touch, they also want to maintain a level of privacy," said Wohl. "When calls are received by the phone's pager, the user has the option of selecting which calls are going to be returned and when. So the user is both in touch and in control, but is never forced to accept a call when it is inconvenient."

User of the PagerPhone offers cost advantages as well. With an ordinary cellular telephone, the user must answer and pay as much as 45-cents a minute

for every incoming call. But, because the PagerPhone does not have to be answered to receive a message, it can keep its owner in constant contact at a substantial savings.

Frequent business travelers should note that the phone's paging service will not be limited to the user's local cellular area. With the PagerPhone's exclusive Universal Paging(tm), a nationwide roaming pager service, all incoming messages will be automatically forwarded to the PagerPhone throughout the country.

Anaheim-based Universal Cellular Inc. is a privately owned company with plans to market a complete line of wireless communications products. The PagerPhone will be assembled in the United States with components manufactured in Japan. Initial distribution will be on the West Coast through select, premium dealers. The suggested retail price of $1,895 includes pager activation.

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#90346p2308 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, OR (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - NIKE Inc. (NYSE: NKE) Chairman Philip H. Knight, in an interview with Dow Jones, indicated earnings for the company's second quarter which ended Nov. 30 will be between 75 to 80 cents per share which exceeds current Wall Street estimates of between 60 to 74 cents per share. These earnings would represent a 57 percent increase over last year's second quarter when the company earned 49 cents per share. All per share amounts reflect a 2-for-1 stock split which occured Oct. 5.

Knight attributed the increased earnings to stronger-than-expected growth from NIKE's domestic and international operations. He stated, "Our efforts to establish NIKE's authentic sports and fitness image around the world are paying off sooner than we expected. These results confirm our belief that sports and fitness is truly an international language that people respond to at an emotional level unlike anything else. Even so, we are just scratching the surface of the international markets which we feel will grow to be larger than the U.S. market. Our momentum makes me very optimistic about the years ahead."

NIKE will officially announce second quarter earnings on Monday, Dec. 17. Complete financial results will be available at that time. In addition, the company will hold a conference call for analysts and investors at 10 a.m. EST on Dec. 17. Those interested in participating in the call may do so by dialing 0-700-454-3865 between 9:45 and 10:05 a.m. EST.

NIKE is the world's leading designer and marketer of authentic athletic footwear, apparel and accessories for a wide variety of sports and fitness

activities. The company also markets a line of high-quality men's and women's dress and casual shoes through its Cole Haan subsidiary. For the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990, NIKE earned net income of $243 million on revenues of $2.24 billion.

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#90346p2309 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, OR (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - NIKE Inc. (NYSE: NKE) Chairman Philip H. Knight today announced a definitive agreement whereby NIKE will acquire Tetra Plastics Inc., a privately held company. Tetra Plastics, based in Chesterfield, Mo., is the sole supplier of the polyurethane film used in the manufacture of NIKE's patented AIR-SOLE(R) cushioning components. Knight declined to disclose the purchase price.

Commenting on the strategy behind the purchase, Knight said, "NIKE's acquisition of Tetra Plastics provides us with a guaranteed, high-quality supply of these critical and highly technical components. In addition, it will improve our ability to further research and refine applications of the air-cushioning technology for future products. We feel Tetra's products are superior to any other supplier. Over the years, they have consistently met or exceeded all of our technical requirements and have exhibited unequaled ability to innovate alongside NIKE."

NIKE's athletic footwear products have established themselves as the premier brand on the market today and are the only products which contain the superior AIR-SOLE cushioning technology.

Tetra was founded in 1964 and in 1980 began working with NIKE to develop the flat film used to produce the NIKE cushioning components. With Tetra's assistance, NIKE was able to reduce costs and increase productivity while improving performance consistency. It was also during this period that NIKE and Tetra began development of the visible-air concept. In 1985 Tetra began work on the present visible-air product and developed from scratch all of the extrusion technology necessary to meet NIKE's requirements. The company is presently on its fourth-generation design of visible-air extrusion tooling each of which has improved the quality of the air cushioning component. Tetra has also worked for several years to help develop the Tensile-Air(TM) cushioning technology currently used in certain Cole Haan(R) dress shoes.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, Tetra Plastics generated revenues of approximately $20 million, of which NIKE represented over 60 percent. After the acquisition, Tetra will continue to expand its non-NIKE customer base in order to capitalize on its proprietary extrusion technology. The company operates out of a modern 61,500 square foot plant and is currently engaged in

a 33,000 square foot expansion to support anticipated growth. NIKE plans to make no changes in Tetra's current operations or management.

Consummation of the purchase contract is subject to normal conditions and is expected to be completed by mid-January 1991. Tetra will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of NIKE. The acquisition will be accounted for as a purchase and results of Tetra's operations will be included in NIKE's financial results from the date of purchase forward.

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#90346p2310 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SACRAMENTO, CA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The California Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) Health Benefits Committee of the Board of Administration unanimously decided today to retain the services of FHP Health Care and 21 other maintenance organizations (HMOs) through the 1991-92 fiscal year.

A health benefits consulting firm hired by the PERS board had earlier recommended dropping seven HMOs from the current 22 offered to approximately 375,000 California government employees and their families. "The consultant's report was preliminary," said Jake Petrosino, chairman of the PERS Health Benefits Committee. "The PERS board encourages increased competition among the HMOs, allowing the membership to select the best providers. We recognize that FHP is working in concert with PERS to provide quality care in a cost effective manner, as it has for nearly 20 years."

FHP Chief Executive Officer Westcott W. Price III said he is pleased with the decision, and looks forward to working with PERS to expanded and improve the program.

"FHP's quality assurance, utilization review, and member service programs are recognized as some of the finest in the nation," he said. "Agencies at the state and federal level consistently give FHP high results and accreditations. We plan to continue our relationship with PERS for many years to come."

FHP will be offered to PERS beneficiaries during the May, 1991 open enrollment period for an Aug. 1 effective date. The company currently serves nearly

6,600 PERS members.

Based in Fountain Valley, Calif., FHP Health Care operates staff, IPA, and network HMOs in California, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, and Guam. The company also offers life and indemnity health insurance through FHP Life Insurance Company. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of FHP International Corporation (NASDAQ: FHPC) and one of the largest Medicare risk contractors in the nation.

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#90346p2313 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Fidelity National Financial Inc. (AMEX: FNF), a leading title insurance underwriter, today announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend on Dec. 11, 1990 of $.12 per share. The dividend will be payable on Feb. 6, 1991.

Headquartered in Irvine, Fidelity National Financial Inc. issues title insurance and performs other title-related services in 31 states and the District of Columbia through Fidelity National Title Insurance Co., Fidelity National Title Insurance Co. of Tennessee, Fidelity National Title Insurance Co. of California and Fidelity National Title Co. of Texas.

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#90346p2314 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

YANCEYVILLE, N.C. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - With a Dec. 14 deadline rapidly approaching, officials of Lamplighter Industries, Inc., a manufacturer of high-tech lighting components based in Yanceyville, N.C., today commented publicly on the status of the company's proposed West Virginia finance package.

"It's down to the wire now," warned Dr. Arden Kelton, Lamplighter's CEO. "If the West Virginia venture capital community doesn't come through for us by week's end, this deal will be scuttled, and we'll be forced to pursue other options. The result could very well be that we remain right here in North Carolina," he said.

The tentative $3 million pact, under which Lamplighter would locate its production facilities and corporate offices in Oak Hill, W.Va., is in danger of collapse due to a shortage of venture capital. Achieving the threshold figure of $1.25 million in equity investment, to be allocated mainly for operating expenses, is considered critical to the completion of the entire proposal, since all three of its major elements are interdependent. To date, the company has received vocal pledges for only $900,000 to $1 million in

venture capital. Conditional agreements have already been reached on the deal's two other major facets, a package of public and private loans totalling $1.05 million, earmarked for equipment acquisition, and sale of the 42,000 square foot manufacturing plant in Oak Hill, owned by Hubbell, Inc.

"We remain absolutely convinced of this company's outstanding growth potential " declared Kelton. "But to make it all happen, we'll need some significant financial support," he said.

Lamplighter Industries specializes in ceramic electroluminescence (EL), a remarkable new solid-state lighting technology which is ultra-thin, extremely durable an extraordinarily cost-effective to operate. The product has an exceptional range of potential applications, including lighted point-of-sale signs, electronic information displays, backlighted instrument consoles, and much more. Current company growth projections suggest the potential to generate $50 million in annual sales within five years, creating more than 500 jobs in the same period.

Lamplighter officials report negotiations with some 8-12 West Virginia venture capital firms dating back to last April. The deadline of December 14 had been unamimously agreed to as early as October.

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#90346p2319 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBORO, MASS. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Data General Corporation (NYSE: DGN) today announced the Edson D. de Castro, chairman of the board of directors and a founder of the company, will leave Data General on Dec. 31, 1990, and will not stand for re-election to the board. Ronald L. Skates, who was named president and chief executive officer in November 1989, will continue to lead Data General in that capacity.

The company also announced that vice chairman Herbert J. Richman will not stand for re-election to the board, although he will continue to serve Data General as executive vice president for the Asia/Pacific region until he retires from the company at the end of the company's current fiscal year, ending September 1991.

"Ed de Castro and Herb Richman made Data General a leader in the computer industry," said Skates. "Ed de Castro is an industry legend. His leadership in developing innovative and technologically superior products and his dedication to excellence has earned Data General a reputation for quality and reliability. Ed's contributions to computer technology are a vital part of the computer industry's history," said Skates. "His vision of the fourth wave of computing and his role in setting Data General's strategy for competing in

it will carry us into the decade ahead."

Skates also praised Richman for his role in leading the company's sales and marketing efforts. "Herb Richman deserves much of the credit for Data General's rapid rise in the minicomputer industry. His sales and marketing expertise helped to create the 'OEM' (original equipment manufacturer) market for minicomputers, and his skill in entering new geographic areas enabled Data General to build a worldwide presence.

Mr. de Castro served as president of Data General from the company's formation in 1968 until he was named chairman of the board and chief scientist in November 1989.

Prior to forming Data General, he held design engineering positions with Digital Equipment Corporation. While at Digital, he was instrumental in designing the PDP-5 and the PDP-8, which became the company's first commercially successful minicomputer.

In 1968, de Castro and Richman, a sales manager from Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corporation's Semiconductor Division, combined with computer designer Richard Sogge, programmer Henry Burkhardt and attorney Fred Adler to found Data General. They produced the NOVA computer, the industry's first 16-bit minicomputer with four accumulators in the central processor, a leading technology at the time. The NOVA was widely used by OEMs and systems integrators, and established Data General as a major force in the minicomputer industry.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Compaq Computer Corporation (NYSE: CPQ) today announced that it has signed a joint integration agreement with Banyan Systems Inc. that will establish a formal framework for their ongoing efforts to assist customers in multivendor, wide area network, PC-based solutions.

The agreement will target products such as the COMPAQ SYSTEMPRO family of multiprocessing PC systems and Banyan VINES network operating system including VINES SMP (symmetric multiprocessing version).

The reference platform configurations will be defined jointly by Compaq and Banyan and will include Compaq hardware, Banyan systems and networking software and relevant third-party hardware and software components. Integration labs will be established to develop, test and optimize each reference platform.

These platforms will be communicated to Authorized COMPAQ Computer Dealers and

Banyan Value-Added Resellers, reducing the integration risk and optimizing overall system performance for end users.

Each company will also focus a higher level of resources on compatibility testing and performance tuning of the platforms. Additionally, as each company develops new products, both will work together to share technical information and test early versions of products. The results of these joint efforts will then be shared with dealers, customers and applications developers.

Banyan is the leader in corporate-wide PC networking. Its flagship product, VINES, is a standards-based distributed network operating system for local or global internetworking of personal computers, minicomputers and mainframes. VINES is recognized for its ability to make multivendor networks of any size easy to use and manage.

Compaq Computer Corporation is a world leader in the manufacture of PC systems and desktop, portable and laptop computers. Compaq products are sold in 65 countries through a network of more than 3,300 Authorized COMPAQ Computer Dealers.

Founded in February 1982, Compaq has consistently set business and industry growth records. This year, Compaq achieved "Global Fortune 500" status, as ranked (No. 438) in Fortune Magazine's 1990 listing of the worlds largest companies.

CONTACT: Mike Berman, Debra Globe, Nora Rice or John Sweney, all of Compaq Computer, 713-374-4616; or Jennifer Jester or Gary Wolfe both of Banyan Systems, Inc., 508-898-1000; or Tony Sapienza or Bill Hughes, both of Miller Communications, 617-536-0470, for Compaq

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CINCINNATI (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) announced today that James W. Nethercott, senior vice president and the company's chief financial officer, will retire as an employee and director of the company on Feb. 28, 1991, after more than 39 years of service.

The board of directors elected Gordon F. Brunner, senior vice president, as a director to succeed Nethercott, effective March 1, 1991. Procter & Gamble's board is classified into three groups of directors with overlapping three year terms. Brunner's term will expire at the company's annual meeting of shareholders in October 1993.

Nethercott's chief financial officer responsibilities will be divided between Edwin H. Eaton, vice president and comptroller, and Erik G. Nelson, whom the board of directors elected vice president-financial operations, effective Jan. 1, 1991. Nelson, currently on special assignment reporting to Nethercott,

will have responsibility for the company's treasury, tax and national government relations functions.

In related moves, the board elected Raymond D. Mains, currently associate comptroller-international, to vice president and comptroller-international. Frederick E. Wells, currently manager, tax division, was elected vice president-taxes. These changes are effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Nethercott, a native of London, Ontario, Canada and a graduate of the University of Toronto, joined Procter & Gamble in Canada in 1951. He came to the U.S. in 1956 and held positions of increasing responsibility in the company's finance and accounting divisions prior to being elected vice president and comptroller in 1969. In 1973, Nethercott was elected vice president-finance and in 1976 he was elected senior vice president. He was elected to the board of directors in 1979.

In addition to his responsibilities at P&G, Nethercott is a director of The Ohio National Life Insurance Company. He also serves on the board of trustees of the Ohio Manufacturers' Association and the Tax Foundation and is a member of The Conference Board's Council of Financial Executives. Nethercott is also active in the Cincinnati community where he serves as a director of the Cincinnati Community Chest and Council, and the Cincinnati and Hamilton County YMCA.

CONTACT: T.E. Loftus, 513-983-9789; or P.J. Hayes, 513-983-3559; both of The Procter & Gamble Company.

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#90346p2323 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Summit Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: BEAM) announced today that the company received approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to begin clinical trials of the company's patented erodable corneal mask used in performing photorefractive keratectomy (commonly referred to as 'PRK' or 'corneal sculpting'). Summit will be using the mask in trials on near-sighted, far-sighted and astigmatic patients.

The mask is used as a template by the physician when performing the photorefractive keratectomy procedure. Positioned over a patient's eye via an eye cup, the mask erodes away as the excimer laser pulses. It is anticipated that use of the mask will result in a smoother cornea than the use of conventional systems. Relative smoothness of the cornea may be a key factor in the quality of the photorefractive keratectomy procedure result. In addition, the mask may provide the physician with greater ease and safety in performing the procedure. Summit anticipates that the single use erodable mask will represent a significant disposables aftermarket. Pre-clinical trials were conducted at the Yerkes Regional Primate Center, Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., and clinical trials are already underway in Europe.

The company also has been informed by the FDA that approval has been granted under a 501(K) application for the company's ophthalmic retinoscope. The retinoscope is Summit's first commercially approved product and it is anticipated that it will be used in various intra-ocular surgical applications.

Summit Technology, Inc. has established the leadership position in designing, manufacturing and marketing medical excimer laser systems. A major focus of the company's business is in ophthalmology where applications have been developed for the treatement of common vision disorders such as near-sightedness, far-sightedness, astigmatism and certain corneal irregularities due to disease or injury. According to the Department of Health and Human Services there are about 140 million people with refractive disorders. To date, over 1,200 patients have been treated by ophthalmologists using Summit's ExciMed(tm) UV200 for all procedures at 75 clinical sites, both domestically and internationally.

CONTACT: Helen Maslocka of Summit Technology, Inc., 617-890-1234.

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DETROIT (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Following is a statement by Philip E. Benton Jr., president and chief operating officer, Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F):

While we sympathize with Chrysler's rationale in deciding to discontinue ten-day sales reports, we believe ten-day sales data provide a valuable tool in understanding sales trends, and we plan to continue them.

We hope others will continue ten-day sales reporting. We also hope the news media will help encourage the Japanese auto companies to participate.

CONTACT: Tom Foote of Ford, (313) 322-9600.

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#90346p2328 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

GRASS VALLEY, CALIF. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Brush Creek Mining and Development Co. Inc. (NASDAQ: BCMD) today announced that it has engaged Tucker Anthony Inc., a subsidiary of John Hancock Mutual Insurance Co., to act as its financial advisor. Tucker Anthony will review various financial and strategic options available to the company. Tucker Anthony, a full service investment banking and brokerage firm founded in 1892, is one of the oldest and most prestigious securities firms in the United States. Tucker Anthony's investment banking services include mergers and acquisitions, private placements and public offerings. The firm has raised over $1 billion of capital for corporations and master limited partnerships through the issuance of SEC registered securities.

CONTACT: Michael Pickering of Brush Creek Mining, 916-477-5961

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#90346p2329 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

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#90346p2330 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Hitachi, Ltd. (NYSE: HIT) and Nissan Motor Co., Ltd. have agreed to fully coordinate their business strategies in the rapidly growing field of automobile information and communication systems and equipment.

The cooperative effort between the companies is to be implemented through a new joint-venture company, Xanavi Informatics Corporation, that will be formally established on Jan. 21, 1991. An agreement for this venture was signed on Dec. 12 by the presidents of Hitachi and Nissan, Katsushige Mita and Yutaka Kume.

After commencing operations on April 1 next year, the new company will operate as a fully integrated developer, producer, and marketer of a wide range of car information and communications systems and equipment. Products will include automobile audio and video equipment, mobile telephones and navigation systems.

Fifty-one percent of the initial capital, 2.5 billion yen, will be supplied by Hitachi and 49 percent by Nissan. Kazutoshi Hagiwara, currently Nissan general manager of the AVCN Project Office, is expected to be president, while a Hitachi director, Jun Suzuki, will serve as executive vice president.

The company's head office will initially be located in Tokyo's Ohta Ward, but within a few years will move into new offices to be built in Kanagawa Prefecture, where new design and development facilities are also to be set up.

At the start, production of AV products will be carried on at Hitachi's Sawa Works. Two years later, production is to be transferred to a new factory to be built in Ibaraki Prefecture, where operations will be progressively expanded to include mobile telephones, navigation systems, and other product lines.

The company will market its products both domestically and overseas under the "Xanavi" brand. Annual sales targets have been set at approximately 20 billion yen within three years of establishment, and around 100 billion yen by the year 2000.

Highly sophisticated data processing and communication networks play an increasingly important role in the daily lives and business activities of a large number of people.

Thus, it is not surprising that many drivers are beginning to look for something more than today's entertainment-oriented AV devices and show a rising interest in car telephones, facsimile machines, and other types of mobile information and communications equipment that promise greater mobility, convenience, and efficiency in the handling and use of information.

CONTACT: Charlie Naito of Hitachi, (914) 332-2902, or Steve Silber of Burson-Marsteller, (212) 614-5112, for Hitachi.

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#90346p2332 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of A.F.D. Capital Group Inc. (OTC) announces that the company has entered into a letter of intent to purchase all of the shares of Aztec Gas & Oil Inc., an oil and gas production company headquartered in Las Vegas, Nev. Aztec, with production from over 220 wells in Wyoming, Montana and North Dakota, has in-ground reserves in excess of $14,000,000 and net annualized cash flow of $550,000.

The terms of the intended agreement include the current owners of Aztec to own at least eighty percent of the combined entity at the time of closing. The current principles of A.F.D. are to be responsible for placing an equity financing of U.S. $5 million in 1991 to expand production and increase profitability.

Although this Letter of Intent is not a binding arrangement both parties will be working toward finalization of a formal agreement during the first quarter of 1991.

CONTACT: Jay Michie, president of A.F.D., 703-875-8633

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#90346p2333 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO, CA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Calvary Partners, LP, announced today that it intends to defend vigorously its rights as a shareholder to propose amendments to Diceon's By-Laws with respect to the qualifications of directors in response to the suit Diceon Electronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: DICN) filed against it yesterday in the Delaware Chancery Court.

Calvary Holdings, Inc., an affiliate of Calvary Partners, LP, commenced a tender offer for all of the outstanding common shares of Diceon at $5.25 per share on Dec. 6.

Diceon's suit, filed against both Calvary affiliates, concerns Calvary Partners, LP's announced intention to propose certain amendments to Diceon's By-Laws which, if approved by a majority of the shares present and voting at the Diceon's annual meeting, may result in the disqualification of the existing members of the board and Calvary's nominees obtaining control of Diceon's board of directors.

Diceon's suit alleges the proposed amendments to the By-Laws are in conflict with the company's certificate of Incorporation and Delaware law. Calvary maintains that the proposed amendments comply with both.

CONTACT: Brian Maddox of Georgeson & Company, 212-440-9862, for Calvary Partners.

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#90346p2334 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The First Australia Prime Income Fund, Inc. (AMEX: FAX), a closed-end bond fund, today declared a special distribution of 16 cents per share, payable on Jan. 11, 1991, to all shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

Qualifying U.S. taxpayers are additionally entitled to a foreign withholding tax credit on this dividend, and will be informed as to the amount at a later date.

For the 12-month period ended Dec. 31, 1990, total dividends declared amounted to $1.24 per share. This represents a yield of 13.68 percent on the recent share price of $9.06.

At the time of its offering in April 1986, the First Australia Prime Income Fund was the largest ever initial public offering on the American Stock Exchange. The fund has current assets in excess of $1 billion. The fund's policy is to invest at least 65 percent of its portfolio in Australian issuers or debt securities rated AA or better. At present, the security ratings of the fund's Australian investments are: AAA 64.9 percent, AA 33.4 percent and A 1.7 percent.

The First Australia Prime Income Fund trades on the American Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange. The fund is managed by EquitiLink International Management Limited and is advised by EquitiLink Australia Limited.

CONTACT: Brian Sherman of the First Australia Prime Income Fund, 011-612-258-8222; or Beth Noymer or Marissa Moretti of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for the First Australia Prime Income Fund.

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#90346p2335 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSDALE, PA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Central Sprinkler Corp. (NASDAQ: CNSP) reported today its sales and earnings for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Net sales for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 declined 10 percent to $17,803,000 from $19,000,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Fourth quarter net income of $1,643,000 also declined 9 percent from the $1,811,000 earned in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Earnings per share were $.32 compared to the $.35 earned in the comparable 1989 quarter. The decline in sales and earnings in the fourth quarter primarily reflects a continuation of the general decline in the level of new construction activity throughout most of the United States. The company's fire sprinkler products are used extensively in new industrial and commercial construction as well as in the remodeling and retrofitting of older properties.

Net income for the 1990 fiscal year of $5,755,000 was 5 percent lower than the $6,074,000 earned in the 1989 fiscal year. Net sales for the year increased by 1 percent to $70,651,000 from sales of $70,067,000 in the 1989 fiscal year. Earnings per share for the 1990 fiscal year were $1.11 compared to $1.17 for the 1989 fiscal year. The annual sales and earnings were adversely affected by the decline in new construction activity which started primarily in the second half of fiscal 1990.

Central Sprinkler Corp. is a manufacturer and distributor of components used in automatic fire sprinkler systems.

CENTRAL SPRINKLER CORP.
Summarized Financial Results
(Amounts in thousands, except per share)

Periods ended	Three Months		Year	
Oct. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$17,803	$19,000	$70,651	$70,067
Gross profit	6,169	6,448	24,306	24,321
Operating income	2,487	2,740	8,931	9,767
Net income	1,643	1,811	5,755	6,074
Earnings per share	$.32	$.35	$1.11	$1.17

Average number of shares	5,025	5,218	5,179	5,191

CONTACT: Al Sabol of Central Sprinkler, 215-362-0700

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#90346p2340 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph F. McKinney, chief executive officer of Tyler Corporation (NYSE: TYL), announced today that the company has entered into an agreement to purchase the stock of Forest City Auto Parts, a privately owned retailer of automotive aftermarket parts and supplies. Forest City will continue to operate with current management led by Stanley and Arnold Bellowe.

Under the terms of the acquisition agreement, Tyler will purchase the company for approximately $26 to $30 million.

McKinney stated that the transaction is subject to several conditions including completion of an audit. Forest City is expected to be acquired during the first quarter of 1991 and will be operated as a wholly owned subsidiary of Tyler.

Forest City operates 51 retail stores selling automotive aftermarket parts and supplies in Illinois, New York, Ohio and Pennsylvania. The company focuses on selling mechanical parts to do-it-yourself customers. For the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990, sales totaled approximately $63 million.

Tyler Corporation, with national headquarters in Dallas, provides cast iron pipe and fittings for drain, waste and vent and waterworks applications.

CONTACT: Michael R. Meyers, assistant treasurer of Tyler Corporation, 214-754-7800

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#90346p2341 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUFFALO, N.Y. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Barrister Information Systems Corporation (AMEX: BIS) announced that it has received a contract from the law firm of Kelley, McCann and Livingstone of Cleveland for a computer system upgrade in excess of $205,000. The firm presently has 22 attorneys and five paralegals in its Cleveland office, and has been a Barrister client since 1982.

After a thorough examination of all available options for upgrading its system the firm chose the IBM(R) AS/400(TM) running Barrister/ Eagle(TM) software, and an integrated IBM Token-Ring Office Automation Network. The network, designed to interconnect the firm's newly purchased 24 personal computers, will equip users with a customized menu program to run WordPerfect(R) word processing software, and cc:Mail(TM) electronic mail. The network, which will be installed by Barrister, will also give the firm the ability to access a

dial-out communication server for remote communication with legal data base services, clients and law firms. Network users will utilize Barrister/Eagle accounting programs through an AS/400 network adaptor.

Doris Budin, director of administration for the firm stated, "The time had come to upgrade our hardware and software to keep up with the increased volume of activity that the firm has experienced over the last few years. We looked at other vendors, but chose Barrister particularly because of their comprehensive, high quality service and their expertise in the legal industry. The AS/400 platform was also very attractive to us because of its relational data base technology, extradordinary processing speed and superior functionality. Barrister/Eagle is a real-time interactive system written in AS/400 Native Language, which allows the software to take advantage of the relational data base architecture of the AS/400, enhancing the firm's automation capabilities."

CONTACT: Stephen Wagner of Barrister Information Systems Corporation, 716-845-5010

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#90346p2350 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

VESTAL, NY (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - CommStruct International Inc., acting as an agent on behalf of CommStruct International Byelorussia, B.V. of the Netherlands, announced today it has signed a joint-venture agreement with the Ministry of Posts, Telecommunications and Informatics of the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic to construct and operate a cellular phone network in Byelorussia.

This is the first agreement between a republic of the USSR and a private Western company to enter into a joint venture for a cellular phone system for an entire republic.

As a 50 percent partner, CommStruct will arrange for an initial investment estimated at $7 million to introduce service in mid-1991 to approximately 4,000 residential and mobile customers in the city of Minsk. When completed, the system in the Minsk region will have the capacity to serve in excess of 200,000 customers.

Currently, Byelorussia S.S.R. has a population of 10.2 million people. In the Minsk region alone the wait for a phone is usually 10 years as the waiting list has over 700,000 names. With a cellular network in place, a portion of this pent-up demand would be served immediately.

Ivan Gritsuk, minister of posts, Telecommunications and Informatics of the Byelorussian S.S.R., said: "We are extremely pleased to enter into this joint venture agreement with CommStruct International. With a cellular system, we will be able to achieve in months -- rather than years -- a telephone capacity

able to serve our growing commercial and residential requirements. CommStruct's record of serving international cellular markets as well as its entrepreneurial approach and flexibility will meet the needs and objectives of the Republic of Byelorussia."

U.S. CommStruct Inc., a privately held company headquartered in Vestal, N.Y., will be responsible for the construction of the system and TLK & Associates, of Yorba Linda, Calif., will conduct the radio frequency engineering. Both companies are subsidiaries of CommStruct International Inc. The Republic of Byelorussia will provide the necessary infrastructure and land for the construction of the cellular system as well as qualified engineering and technical personnel to be trained by CommStruct for the construction and staffing on the cellular system.

CommStruct International provides construction management services, project management, design and engineering for telecommunications systems such as cellular telephones, microwave transmission and fiber optics.

The company also installed the first cellular system in Zaire, Africa in the capital city of Kinshasa; other international projects include sites in Puerto Rico, Grand Cayman Islands, Antigua, Grenada and the British West Indies working with Phase Two and Cable and Wireless. The company has constructed cellular systems for regional Bell operating companies (RBOCs) such as NYNEX, Bell Atlantic Mobile and PacTel Cellular, as well as other telecommunications companies such as McCaw Cellular, Associated Communications and Crowley Cellular.

CONTACT: James Lewis, chairman, CommStruct International Inc., 607-786-8724

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#90346p2352 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Executive long-term incentive plans are on the increase in the nation's top electric utility companies, reports The Wyatt Company in its survey of 18 of the 20 largest investor-owned electric utility companies in the United States. Only five years ago, virtually none of the leading companies offered such plans.

"In an effort to focus greater attention on the longer term priorities of customer service and shareholder returns, most of the leading U.S. utilities have only recently implemented long-term incentive plans," said Arlen Ferguson a consultant in Wyatt's Dallas office.

The "1990 survey of Executive Compensation in Large Electric Utility Companies" found that 56 percent of the companies use both annual and long-term incentives. Almost 95 percent use annual incentive plans and, of these, nearly all use a combination of performance-based criteria for determining the size of the award opportunity.

Fifty-six percent of the companies have at least one active long-term incentive plan for executives, with 70 percent using performance-based criteria, and less than half using stock options, SARS, or restricted stock plans.

Six companies that reported long-term incentive gains showed that annualized longterm incentive pay opportunity was greater than 1989 annual bonuses earned. Annualized long-term incentive gains for these companies ranged from a low of 22 percent of salary to a high of 71 percent of salary. Bonuses for all surveyed companies ranged from a low of three percent to a high of 28 percent.

The "1990 Survey of Executive Compensation in Large Electric Utility Companies" compares all forms of direct remuneration for 17 executive positions and includes four primary pay elements: base salary, annual incentive, long-term incentive, and perquisites.

The Wyatt Company is an international consulting firm specializing in the areas of human resource, systems, and financial management, with 3,700 employees working in 69 cities around the world.

CONTACT: Jennifer Eaton of The Wyatt Company, (202) 508-4842.

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#90346p2353 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The SMS group of companies has received its second order to supply a compact strip production (CSP) plant to Nucor Corp., it was announced today.

The innovative technology combines thin slab casting with direct rolling to produce hot-rolled steel coils.

SMS Schloemann-Siemag Aktiengesellschaft of Germany, in conjunction with SMS Concast Inc. of Montvale, N.J., and SMS Engineering of Pittsburgh, will produce and install the one million ton plant at a new Nucor installation in Arkansas. The SMS group had received an engineering order for the installation about one year ago.

Nucor, which successfully operates the first compact strip plant at Crawfordsville, Ind., will build a new electric furnace steel plant at the Arkansas installation.

The CSP strip caster is designed to produce thin slabs 2 inches thick at a maximum casting rate of 18 feet/minute.

The thin cast slabs will go directly through a long soaking furnace to the CSP six-stand rolling mill where they will be reduced to thicknesses of 0.07 to

0.05 inches, in widths from 51 to 61-1/2 inches. Coil weights will be a maximum of 31 U.S. tons.

Investment costs for the Nucor plant will be distinctly lower than for conventional plant designs, and operating costs will be reduced considerably due to several factors including energy savings, according to J.C.T. Thomas, president and chief executive officer, SMS Engineering.

SMS Engineering Inc. has headquarters at Four Station Square, Pittsburgh.

CONTACT: J.C.T. Thomas, president and chief executive officer of SMS Engineering, 412-471-4436

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#90346p2355 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Jeffrey Sharlach has been promoted to executive vice president of the Rowland Worldwide headquarters group in New York. He joined the company as senior vice president in February 1989.

Sharlach's responsibilities include coordinating multinational and transnational new business efforts among the firm's offices as well as marketing, and internal and external communications management for the worldwide company. He will continue to report directly to Herbert L. Rowland, chairman and CEO of Rowland Worldwide.

Prior to joining Rowland, Sharlach held senior management positions at Burson-Marsteller and Carl Byoir & Associates.

Rowland Worldwide is the world's fifth largest public relations firm, with 34 offices on five continents. An independent operating unit of Saatchi & Saatchi Company Plc, the firm employs more than 750 people with annualized fee income of $50 million.

CONTACT: Joan Lotz of Rowland Worldwide, 212-527-8821

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#90346p2357 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MT. KISCO, NY (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - TWA Getaway Vacations today announced new 1991 Florida packages that focus on great value and fun for the traveling family, offering its lowest prices ever to Orlando and eight other Florida cities.

Three-night vacation packages start as low as $299 including roundtrip airfare from New York, hotel and Alamo Rent A Car (effective Jan. 4-Feb. 7, 1991).

Creative vacationers can personalize their itinerary by selecting one or more

of Getaway's exciting destinations. Getaway's program features 40 hotels in Orlando, and another 40 in Daytona, Palm Beach, Ft. Lauderdale, Miami, The Keys, Ft. Myers/Marco Island, Sarasota, and Tampa/St. Petersburg/Clearwater.

The 1991 Getaway Florida program is tailored to meet the needs of the traveling family and offers a range of accommodations to suit all budgets and tastes. More than nine suite-and-villa style properties are featured to accommodate families traveling together and some sleep up to ten people. Complete kitchen and laundry facilities are widely available. All packages have been competitively priced and start as low as $355, including roundtrip airfare from New York for a three-night stay at Comfort Suites (effective 1/4/-2/10/91.) Most Florida properties allow children to stay free in their parents' room and several even offer free meals when accompanied by an adult. Refer to the 1991 Getaway Florida brochure for full descriptions on the variety of vacation packages now on sale.

But that's not all -- vacationers can purchase tickets in advance of departure to a host of Florida attractions at substantial savings directly through Getaway Vacations. With a single phone call, discounted tickets can be reserved for Walt Disney World(R) Resort, Sea World(R), or Universal Studios(R) Florida. A discount Dine Around certificate is also included in this ticket option to use at a choice of six fine restaurants, including a themed dinner show at King Henry's Feast, or the famed Caruso's Palace, a true epicurean delight.

TWA Getaway packages depart from New York or conveniently connect through St. Louis from 70 TWA cities for a nominal roundtrip airfare add-on. Upon booking Getaway Vacation sales agents will verify that the lowest available airfare is confirmed for the entire family. Children are often eligible for discounted air fares as well.

For more information, brochures and reservations, call 1-800-GETAWAY.

CONTACT: Sharon Chambers of TWA Getaway, 914-242-3533

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OKLAHOMA CITY (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Hadson Energy Resources Corporation (NASDAQ: HERC) today announced the signing of an agreement with the State Energy Commission of Western Australia (SECWA) under the terms of which it, together with its joint venture participants, will supply approximately 125 BCF of gas to SECWA over an initial period up to 10 years. The agreement provides SECWA the option to purchase approximately 55 BCF of additional gas at the end of the initial term and is subject to the final approval of a development plan by the joint venture participants and SECWA, the granting of relevant production and pipeline licenses and final environmental approval.

The Harriet Gas Gathering Project which is operated by the company's wholly owned subsidiary, Hadson Energy Limited (HEL) (holder of a 22.5 percent interest), will gather gas from four fields in close proximity to the Harriet oil field, also operated by HEL. After processing and liquid extraction, the gas will be transported 60 miles through a 12 inch pipeline to connect with SECWA's primary transmission facilities onshore.

Initial deliveries at rates up to 35 million cubic feet per day are expected to commence in mid-1992. The total cost of the project is expected to be $90 million ($20 million net to the company). As a result of this agreement, the company expects to add reserves of approximately 30 BCF of gas and 1.3 million barrels of liquids.

David N. Hayes, vice president of the company and managing director of its Australian operations stated, "The signing of this agreement is the culmination of many months of negotiations and represents a major achievement for our international operations. The project allows the company to realize value from its existing gas reserves offshore Australia and provides incentive for future oil and gas exploration. The project will make a significant contribution to both earnings and cash flows commencing in 1992.

Hayes further stated that, "The Harriet Gas Gathering Project infrastructure when fully implemented will provide the capacity to deliver gas from existing and future oil and gas discoveries in the offshore Central Carnarvon Basin at rates up to 180 MMCFD, thus creating an important alternate source of gas supply for Western Australia." Hadson Energy Resources Corporation is an independent energy company engaged internationally in crude oil and natural gas exploration, development and production.

CONTACT: William C. Rankin, vice president and chief financial officer of Hadson Energy Resources, 405-235-9531

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DANBURY, CT (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Corporation (NYSE: UK) today announced that it will call for early redemption at face value its 14 1/4 percent senior notes due 1996. The redemption date will be Jan. 31, 1991, and the redemption will affect all 14 1/4 percent notes, or about $19 million. No interest will be paid on the notes after Jan. 31.

The company said it expects to refinance the notes with lower-cost borrowings made possible by its improved credit rating and generally lower interest rates.

CONTACT: Tomm F. Sprick of Union Carbide, 203-794-6992

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INDIANAPOLIS (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Emery Worldwide jet freighters will be called on to help transport the U.S. Postal Service's annual surge of holiday cards, letters and packages, officials of Emery Worldwide and the Postal Service announced today.

The Postal Service's supplemental air service, known as C-Network, will employ 15 Emery aircraft -- eight DC-8s and seven B-727s -- to fly first-class holiday mail to the 18 highest-volume cities in the United States. The daytime operation, out of a hub at the international airport here, will run from Dec. 14 to 24.

In addition to flying holiday mail, Emery's airline affiliate, Emery Worldwide Airlines, operates the Postal Service's "Eagle Network," which delivers next-day Express Mail and second-day Priority Mail each night with a dedicated fleet of 19 aircraft.

Last year, the "Eagle Network" fleet served double-duty, with 10 aircraft flying holiday mail during the day, and Express Mail and Priority Mail at night. This year, the C-Net planes are being drawn from Emery Worldwide's regular air express fleet, not from the "Eagle Network" fleet.

Also, the C-Net hub operation has been relocated from Kansas City to Indianapolis, to improve handling for the additional 10 million pounds of holiday mail the Postal Service expects this year.

According to Rex Maytan, the Postal Service's general manager, air contracts management division, the represents almost twice as much holiday mail as was handled by the C-Network in 1989.

Jim Lampe, Emery's director of Indianapolis operations who oversees the Postal Service fleet, said changes in this year's C-Net operation should enable Emery and the post office to handle the increase.

Emery Worldwide's aircraft will converge each afternoon at the Indianapolis hub from U.S. cities with the highest volume of holiday mail. Once here, cargo containers holding the mail will be transferred between planes and flown to outlying destination cities where the post office sorts the mail for local delivery.

Emery Worldwide Airlines has been flying Express Mail and Priority Mail for the Postal Service since August, 1989, when it won a two-year contract to operate the post office's "Eagle Network." Emery Worldwide is making its planes available for the C-Network under terms of Express Mail contract.

Emery Worldwide, one of the world's leading air express and air freight carriers, specializes in the delivery of urgent envelopes, parcels and heavy freight to and from any business address in the world. The $1.3 billion

company has headquarters in Palo Alto, Calif., and freight facilities throughout North America and 90 countries around the world.

CONTACT: Gary Frantz of Emery Worldwide, 415-326-1700, or Meg Harris of the U.S. Postal Service, 202-268-2169.

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#90346p2370 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) issued the following statement in response to Freddie Mac's (NYSE: FRE) announcement today on reduced documentation mortgages:

Fannie Mae welcomes today's announcement that Freddie Mac will cease purchasing reduced documentation loans. The action is a prudent and positive step for the mortgage market; it is consistent with our own progressive tightening of requirements for these loans.

Fannie Mae's strong financial performance has been driven by the high quality of mortgage loans the corporation has purchased or securitized in the last five years. The original average loan-to-value ratio of the conventional loans in Fannie Mae's portfolio and backing MBS is approximately 72 percent, and these loans have a very low default rate.

Moving the mortgage market away from reduced documentation loans is good for lenders and mortgage borrowers. Each day Fannie Mae and the secondary mortgage market serve thousands of American homebuyers, at all income levels, and in every community in the country. Today the small community lender and the national giants, equally, can meet the needs of their local homebuyers without resorting to reduced documentation loans because Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac offer a broad range of mortgage products.

Fannie Mae's alternative documentation program, known as TimeSaver, allows lenders to quickly and easily process loan applications with personal financial information readily available to the homebuyer.

With respect to the other changes announced by Freddie Mac, some represent policies Fannie Mae already has in place, while others address credit risks that Fannie Mae has effectively managed through other measures.

CONTACT: Fannie Mae, Public Affairs Office, 202-752-7111

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RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Burroughs Wellcome Co. has announced an enhanced work/family program for employees. Employees as well as members of Burroughs Wellcome Co.'s local communities will benefit

from the program which aims to improve the quality of family care in the Triangle area and Pitt County, where most of the company's employees live. It also provides family support to employees company-wide.

The program features community initiatives, to be undertaken in partnership with IBM in the Triangle, to enhance the quality of existing center-based child care, extend elder day-care programs, and increase the availability of family-based day care in both the Triangle and Pitt County.

In addition, Burroughs Wellcome Co. will offer employees and retirees across the country elder-care resource and referral services. All employees are eligible for family/medical leave of absence and adoption assistance, and field staff throughout the country will receive child-care resource and referral services. The program is offered in addition to Burroughs Wellcome Co.'s current benefits portfolio which is already rated best in the industry by a major consulting firm.

"The changing demographics of the nation's workforce were considered and extensive employee-opinion research was used to design a work/family program with something for everyone," said Glenn Weingarth, director of human resources at Burroughs Wellcome Co. According to Weingarth, the Company listened to the concerns expressed by employees in surveys, focus groups and informal forums to determine how a program could affect the greatest number of people.

Burroughs Wellcome Co. is a research-based pharmaceutical company headquartered in Research Triangle Park, N.C. The Company, which employs 1,900 people in RTP, 1,700 in Greenville, N.C. and 800 nationwide, is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Wellcome Foundation Ltd. of London, England.

CONTACT: Sharon B. Haggerty of Burroughs Wellcome Co., 919-248-8611

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#90346p2376 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCARBOROUGH, ME (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Hannaford Bros. Co. (NYSE: HRD) announced today an agreement to purchase the Alexander's Supermarkets chain (privately held) from various entities owned by Robert and Peter Gordon and members of their family for cash. Alexander's, with annual sales in excess of $200 million and over 450,000 square feet of total store space, operates eleven supermarkets, two drug stores, and three bakery shops in southern New Hampshire and northeastern Massachusetts. The parties expect to close the transaction within the next two months and possibly by the end of 1990.

James L. Moody, Jr., Hannaford's chairman and chief executive officer, said "The transaction is structured as a purchase of assets for cash, not as a stock transaction. We expect to finance the acquisition initially from existing lines of credit. Consummation of the transaction is subject to

satisfaction of various other conditions set forth in the purchase and sale agreement."

Moody added "Hannaford is very pleased with its recent expansion into upstate New York, and we have been looking for expansion opportunities in other areas. We believe that the acquisition of Alexander's is a very positive move for Hannaford that will help us achieve our long-term goals."

"First, Alexander's locations in Nashua and Manchester, N.H. represent a logical expansion for Hannaford into new market areas contigious to our own," Moody said. "In addition, their stores in the Lowell, Mass. area will expand our coverage of that market, where we presently have only one store."

"Second, Alexander's has a well earned reputation for high quality stores with state-of-the-art systems. The Gordons have done a superb job of locating and developing their stores and have staffed them with employees known for providing outstanding customer service. We will be proud to welcome them into the Hannaford family."

"Finally, the acquisition provides a good synergistic fit with Hannaford. We have just completed our new 417,000 square foot distribution center in Schodack, N.Y., and we presently have unused capacity in our distribution centers."

Hannaford Bros. Co. is northern New England's largest retail food distributor with nearly $1.75 billion in annual sales and over 14,000 employees in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts and New York. Retail sales currently are made through the company's 78 supermarkets operating under the names Shop n' Save, Martin's and Sun Foods. Hannaford also operates 39 wholly owned retail drug stores principally under the Wellby Super Drug name and serves as wholesaler to 27 independent food retailers.

A news conference regarding this acquisition will be held on Dec. 12, 1990 at 3 p.m., at the Sonesta Hotel, 157 High St., Portland, Maine.

CONTACT: Larry A. Plotkin, senior vice president-development and finance of Hannaford Bros. Co., 207-883-2911.

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#90346p2378 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Beginning Jan. 14, 1991, Bell of Pennsylvania customers will be able to use a new dialing procedure for toll calls placed within the 215 area code.

Customers will not have to dial the "1" prior to the seven-digit number they're calling, as they do now.

From Jan. 14 through Sept. 22, customers will be able to use either the new or the current system to dial a toll call. On Sept. 23, the new procedures will be required.

Why is a different system going to be used? According to the company, Bell of Pennsylvania is running out of available telephone numbers. With this change, more than 1 million new numbers will be available to meet the demands of growth in the area.

Bonk noted that without the changes, Bell of Pennsylvania would have run out of numbers for customers in the 215 area in 1992. More than 434,000 new access lines have been used in the past six years to provide for additional telephone service, cellular telephones, fax machines and other needs.

Although dialing procedures will change, there will be no change to the telephone bill, to the rates customers pay, to the present seven-digit telephone number or to the dialing procedure for making calls outside the 215 area.

However, starting in September, all toll calls and directory assistance calls within the 215 area code will have to be placed by dialing the seven-digit number without the "1" prefix.

All Bell of Pennsylvania operator-assisted calls within the 215 area must be dialed by using "0" plus "215" plus seven digits. Currently such a call is made by dialing "0" plus seven digits.

Bell of Pennsylvania's business customers were advised of the impending changes in July to allow them sufficient time to make any necessary modifications to their telephone features and equipment. A letter explaining the new procedure is being sent beginning this month to all customers in the 215 area code.

All Bell of Pennsylvania business and residential customers in the 215 area code will receive several letters and bill inserts explaining the reason for the changes. Anyone with questions about the new dialing procedure should call 800-555-5000.

CONTACT: John Caltagirone, 215-466-8768, or Thomas C. Duddy, 215-466-4549, or Sharon Shaffer, 215-466-4540, all of Bell of Pennsylvania.

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#90346p2383 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Racal Telecom Plc (NYSE: RTG) today announced the unaudited financial results for the fiscal half year to Oct. 12, 1990. Revenues amounted to 279,943,000 pounds sterling, compared with 193,884,000 pounds for the previous half year. The pre-tax profit was 122,158,000 pounds,

compared with 75,147,000 pounds for the comparable period a year ago.

An interim dividend of 52 percent net of tax (2.6 pence per share) will be paid on Feb. 14, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Jan. 14, 1991. It is intended to propose a year-end dividend that will maintain a similar dividend cover.

RACAL TELECOM PLC INTERIM RESULTS

	Half Year to Oct. 12, 1990 (Thousand pounds)	Half Year to Oct. 13, 1989 (Thousand pounds)
Revenue	279,943	193,884
Operating profit	121,476	73,255
Interest receivable	682	1,892
Profit before tax	122,158	75,147
Estimated tax	38,724	21,500
Profit after tax	83,434	53,647
Minority interests	25	2
Net profit	83,459	53,649
Earnings per share	8.35 pence	5.36 pence

The downturn in the economy of the United Kingdom marginally affected the first half of the fiscal year and will have a greater impact in the second half. However, all units are performing well and the results for the year will be good.

The proposal by the directors of Racal Electronics Plc to demerge completely Racal Telecom is welcomed. The independence will be beneficial in that it will enable wider opportunities to be pursued. Capital expenditure on the Vodafone network will be in the order of 140,000,000 pounds this year.

Telecell, a joint venture with Telemalta, in which Racal Telecom has an 80 percent interest, opened service on schedule in July 1990, covering Malta, Gozo and the surrounding waters.

Communicaciones Cellulares de Occidente SA de C.V., a joint venture in which Racal Telecom has six percent interest, opened service in the Guadalajara province of Mexico in August 1990. Vodafone GmbH has been notified that it will be awarded a service provider license for the German D1 (Deutsche Telekom) mobile communications network.

Racal Telecom Plc is a leading provider of mobile telecommunications services. Its principal business is the operation of the Vodafone cellular telephone network in the United Kingdom. American Depositary Shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, trading symbol RTG. Each American Depositary Share represents 10 ordinary shares of the company. The Racal Corporation provides financial and management services for Racal's North American operations.

CONTACT: Edward W. Cheatham of Racal, (212) 268-0918.

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#90346p2384 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Keene Corporation (NASDAQ: KEEN) today confirmed a commitment to its existing asbestos compensation program in view of recent press reports about the status of Eagle-Picher asbestos cases.

Keene is a New York-based manufacturer of composites for space, defense and commercial applications.

The company said it had no present intention of seeking class certification of the asbestos cases filed against it, a substantial number of which Keene recognizes as being without merit.

Keene plans to manage its asbestos litigation so that all claims, present and future, can be brought to final conclusion using $190 million committed to its Asbestos Compensation Program. Keene's compensation program is based on an evaluation of pending claims and its best estimate of future claims.

CONTACT: Ed Utz of Keene, 212-557-1900

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#90346p2386 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Coopers & Lybrand's general counsel, Harris J. Amhowitz, today said the federal government's suit against the firm with respect to First Federal Savings and Loan of Shawnee has been dismissed with finality in Oklahoma Federal Court.

Amhowitz said, "Since the savings and loan crisis first caught the attention of the public in 1988, the government has persistently publicized a list of lawsuits against major accounting firms with respect to the S&L crisis. The sole claim against Coopers & Lybrand was in connection with the Shawnee S&L.

"Thus, Coopers & Lybrand is gratified to report the dismissal of this lawsuit. In essence, the government has admitted it has no claim against Coopers & Lybrand arising out of the audit or the affairs of Shawnee.

"Coopers & Lybrand is grateful for the vindication of its services and hopes this vindication will receive the same publicity. We believe this is the first resolution of a case against a major accounting firm involving an S&L. We are pleased on behalf of the profession that Coopers & Lybrand was successful.

"This concludes the only litigation against Coopers & Lybrand by the government with respect to an S&L."

CONTACT: David Nestor of Coopers & Lybrand, 212-536-2965.

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#90346p2388 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that International Murex Technologies Corporation (formerly Murex Clinical Technologies Corporation) of Toronto, is the seventh biotechnology and fourth Canadian company to list this year. The company began trading 6,018,524 common shares.

Today, the company formally changed its name from Murex Clinical Technologies Corporation to International Murex Technologies Corporation and a one-for-seven reverse stock split of the company's shares became effective.

Trading on a "when issued" basis under ticker symbol "MXX.WI," at a price reflecting the effect of the one-for-seven reverse split, the common stock opened on 500 shares at 5.

International Murex Technologies is the parent company of two subsidiaries that develop, manufacture and market medical diagnostic systems and products worldwide, to rapidly diagnose and monitor infectious diseases and other medical conditions.

The company operates through: Murex Corporation of Norcross, Ga., and Dominion Biologicals Limited of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Murex Corporation develops, manufactures and markets proprietary and patented in vitro diagnostic test systems, known as the SUDS (Single Use Diagnostic System) Systems that diagnose and monitor diseases, including AIDS. The single-use, easy-to-read, rapid-format SUDS tests are marketed primarily to doctors' offices, clinics, emergency wards and hospitals. The company is developing other rapid diagnostic products both internally and through cross licensing arrangements.

Dominion Biologicals, a leading Canadian blood typing and grouping reagents supply company, develops, manufactures and markets diagnostic test reagents for hospitals, blood donor centers and clinical laboratories in Canada, Western Europe, Southeast Asia and the Middle East.

CONTACT: Lisa Kravitz of the American Stock Exchange, 212-306-1632.

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#90346p2389 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The holiday season can be a dangerous one unless you exercise caution, especially with your Christmas lighting and your

tree, warns Consumers Power Company.

Consumers Power offers these suggestions for a safe holiday season:

-- If you buy a previously cut tree, make sure it is fresh and green with needles that are flexible. When you get it home, cut off the bottom inch of the trunk and place the tree in water. Make sure your tree stand has a reservoir for water and check the water level daily; trees absorb from two pints to a gallon of water each day.

-- Erect the tree away from fireplaces or other ht? sources such as heating ducts, radiators, TV sets or holiday candles and make sure it is in a sturdy stand and well-supported.

-- Tree decorations should be fire retardant and should not have sharp edges. They should be made of a material that doesn't break easily. Tinsel or artificial icicles should be of a non-leaded material.

-- If you have a metallic tree, do not trim it with electric lights; damaged insulation in lights could charge the entire tree with electricity.

-- Check all holiday lights for loose connections, broken or cracked sockets or frayed or bare wires. Use only lighting sets and other electrical decorations that carry the Underwriters Laboratories (UL) mark. When hooking up sets of lights, don't overload a circuit.

-- Fasten outdoor lights securely to a wall or tree to avoid wind damage. Never use indoor lights outdoors. Always turn off all holiday lighting when you leave home or go to bed.

-- Special care should be taken around your fireplace during this season. Make sure the flue is open before starting a fire. Use a fireplace screen to keep sparks and embers within the firebox.

-- Don't open gifts next to a fireplace, and remove all wrappings from the room as quickly as possible. Don't burn wrappings in the fireplace; they can ignite suddenly and flare.

-- Use care with "fire salts" which produce colored flames when thrown on a wood fire. Keep them away from young children who might think they are edible. Also make sure that matches and lighters are out of a child's reach.

-- Don't burn old Christmas trees in the fireplace.

-- Keep a fire extinguisher handy.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the

state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

CONTACT: Michael G. Koschik of Consumers Power Company, 517-788-0112.

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#90346p2396 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, SC (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Multimedia Cablevision, Inc. has received a new 15-year franchise from the city of Wichita, Kansas to continue providing cable television service to the residents of that city. The Wichita cable system has more than 92,000 subscribers, ranking it as Multimedia's largest system and one of the nation's 100 largest cable systems. The new franchise replaces the city's original cable franchise, which was granted in 1977 and was set to expire in 1992.

In making the announcement to a group of media analysts attending PaineWebber's MediaWeek Conference in New York today, Donald D. Sbarra, President of Multimedia Cablevision, Inc., noted that the new franchise contains provisions which are essentially similar to those in the 1977 franchise. "We committed to provide the residents of Wichita with the same high-level of service that we've provided during the past thirteen years," Sbarra said. "We have always considered our franchise a public trust. In granting our Company this renewal, we feel that the city of Wichita has given us a tangible vote of confidence."

Multimedia Cablevision, Inc., headquartered in Wichita, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Multimedia, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MMED). The division holds more than 115 franchises in the states of Kansas, Oklahoma, Illinois and North Carolina and serves 347,000 subscribers. It is the country's 32nd largest cable operator.

In addition to Multimedia Cablevision, Multimedia, Inc., a diversified media communications company with corporate headquarters in Greenville, South Carolina, publishes 13 daily and 49 non-daily newspapers, owns and operates four television and eight radio stations and a video production company, and produces and syndicates quality television programming, including the Phil Donahue and Sally Jessy Raphael shows.

CONTACT: Elizabeth S. Mills, Vice President-Corporate Communications, 803-298-4393 or 803-298-4389.

-30- 2136

#90346p2398 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOCA RATON, FL (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - InnoVet, Inc. (NASDAQ: IVET) announced today that Enzit(TM) Odor Eliminator, a patented, unscented additive which eliminates cat litter pan odor, will be introduced nationally in February 1991.

The product introduction is aimed at the 28 million U.S. households that own 54 million cats, spending $400 million annually on cat litter.

"Our market analysis shows that litter pan odor is a serious problem for cat owners," said Dr. J.W. Houdeshell, InnoVet president and veterinarian. "The various deodorizers on the market don't solve the problem and often cause the cat to reject the deodorized litter pan."

Enzit is a granular, biodegradable, non-toxic and non-allergenic product designed to be added to cat litter, at the rate of one 6 oz. package for each 3-5 lbs. of litter. Most importantly, because it is scent-free, the cat does not detect its presence in the litter pan.

Unlike products which merely try to mask odors, Enzit's unique formula deactivates and breaks down, upon contact, the odor-causing components in urine and fecal matter, desiccating the solids.

"As a result, the litter pan and the room remain fresh and free of odor," added Houdeshell. "Furthermore, since the litter stays dry longer, the life of the litter itself is extended."

Consumer marketing of Enzit Odor Eliminator will initially center on direct response, generating sales through 1-800 marketing and magazine coupons.

"Our objective is to establish unscented Enzit as the product of choice for the control of cat litter odor, regardless of the brand or type of litter used " explained Patrick Moyna, InnoVet marketing director.

"In-home tests of Enzit have shown an extremely high level of satisfaction, both by the cat and the consumer," Moyna said. "Based on this response, we're offering customers a 'Satisfaction or Money Back' guarantee."

Enzit Odor Eliminator is the beginning of a systematic introduction of innovative consumer products which have been in development and testing by InnoVet for the past three years.

Based in Boca Raton, Fla., InnoVet is dedicated to the development and marketing of innovative animal healthcare products.

CONTACT: John T. Boone, chairman (for corporate information) or Patrick J. Moyna (for Enzit information), 407-394-0621, of InnoVet, Inc.

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#90346p2401 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Isramco, Inc. (NASDAQ: ISRL) chairman, Dr. Joseph Elmaleh, issued the following statement today:

The officers and directors of Isramco are saddened by the death of Dr. Armand Hammer. For the past six years he made an outstanding contribution both of expertise and financial assistance to Israel's search for oil.

Dr. Hammer had an intuitive conviction that there was oil in Israel. In fact, this past summer, our Negev Joint Venture found oil in the Yam 2 well drilled in the Mediterranean off the coast of Ashdod.

"Under the guiding spirit of Dr. Hammer, it is our intention to continue with this program to find oil and gas reserves to make Israel energy independent. Details will be announced as they are formalized.

CONTACT: Dr. Joseph Elmaleh, chairman of Isramco, 212-888-0200; or John Swanson of Swanson Communications, 212-683-4890, for Isramco

-30- 1084

#90346p2404 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Duff & Phelps today raised the preferred stock rating of Rochester Gas & Electric Corp. to "BBB" from "BBB-". Approximately $97 million of preferred stock is affected.

"The action reflects the New York Public Service Commission (PSC) approval of a settlement agreement that resolves all outstanding issues relating to the construction of Nine Mile Point 2 and its operation through January 1990. Retained earnings will not be impaired as Rochester Gas & Electric already wrote-off the additional costs proposed in the settlement in late 1989," stated a D&P spokesman.

Rochester Gas & Electric Corp.'s first mortgage bonds and collateralized pollution control revenue bonds are reaffirmed at "BBB+" and commercial paper at Duff 2.

CONTACT: William A. Abrams, CFA of Duff & Phelps, 312-368-3112

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#90346p2405 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) today announced that it has reached an out-of-court settlement with AT&T (NYSE: T) on lawsuits involving advertising and telemarketing practices.

Terms of the settlement agreement were not disclosed. The two firms also agreed to propose adoption by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) of mandatory industry standards to protect consumers against being switched to a long distance carrier without authorization.

"With this agreement, the consumer benefits through standardized telemarketing practices, and the industry benefits since both companies can get on with the business of serving consumers in a competitive marketplace," Bert C. Roberts Jr., MCI president and chief operating officer, said.

MCI and AT&T said they will urge the FCC to adopt mandatory telemarketing standards as quickly as possible to ensure that consumers are switched to a carrier only with their permission. Those standards would permit long distance carriers to confirm that a customer has agreed to a switch in any one of four different ways.

MCI said it plans to implement one of the safeguards as quickly as possible.

On Oct. 10, 1989, MCI sued AT&T for false and deceptive advertising under the Lanham Act, and on Oct. 26, AT&T counterclaimed with the same allegations. On Jan. 10, 1990, AT&T sued MCI for false and deceptive telemarketing practices.

CONTACT: MCI Corporate News Bureau, 1-800-289-0073, or 202-887-3000

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#90346p2406 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) today announced that its board of directors elected William P. Lyons chief executive officer and a member of the board.

Lyons, 46, has been president and chief operating officer since April 1990.

Dr. Carmelo J. Santoro, an outside director and chairman and chief executive officer of Silicon Systems Inc., will continue as non-executive chairman of the Ashton-Tate board.

"The board has elected Bill Lyons as CEO in recognition of the significant accomplishments he has made during his tenure as president. He has returned the company to profitability, been instrumental in delivering a stable and reliable dBASE IV 1.1, and renewed the company's focus on customer service," said Santoro, speaking on behalf of the board.

Lyons joined the company in October 1988 as vice president and general manager of Ashton-Tate's PC Applications Division. For several months during 1989, Lyons also was acting vice president of sales.

Before joining Ashton-Tate, Lyons spent 19 years with IBM Corp., most recently as vice president, PC software marketing for IBM's National Distribution Division.

Headquartered in Torrance, Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software. The

company's major product categories include database management systems, word processing, integrated decision support, spreadsheets, graphics and software utilities. Ashton-Tate has international operations in most countries around the world, with products available in 20 languages in more than 50 countries. The company also offers a comprehensive line of training and support services for individuals, corporations and government agencies.

CONTACT: Jill Kramer, 213-538-7345, or Linda Duttenhaver, 213-538-7011, both of Ashton-Tate Corp.

-30- 2059

#90346p2408 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HADDON TOWNSHIP, NJ (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First Peoples Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: FPNJ), parent company of First Peoples Bank of New Jersey, today declared a cash dividend of 37.5 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 31, 1990.

First Peoples' common stock is traded over the counter on the NASDAQ market under the symbol FPNJ.

With assets in excess of $1 billion, First Peoples Financial Corp. is the largest bank holding company headquartered in southern New Jersey. Its subsidiary, First Peoples Bank, has 32 offices serving Burlington, Camden, Cumberland and Gloucester counties.

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#90346p2415 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - CBS announced today an offer to purchase up to 10,526,000 shares of the company's common stock for cash at a price of $190 per common share. This represents an aggregate share repurchase of $2 billion. The tender offer is expected to commence in the next several days and will be scheduled to expire on Jan. 21, 1991.

If fully subscribed, the relative percentage of CBS common stock owned by the Loews Corporation, the Paley estate and other shareholders would not change as a result of the tender.

The Loews Corporation and the estate of William S. Paley have advised the company of their intention to tender all of the shares under their control. The Loews Corporation owns approximately 5.8 million shares of CBS common stock, while the Paley estate controls approximately 1.3 million shares of CBS common stock.

Commenting on the offer to purchase CBS President and Chief Executive Officer Laurence A. Tisch said, "The CBS board of directors has concluded that a repurchase of CBS common stock is the best use for a substantial portion of its cash and marketable securities.

"This offer will provide CBS shareholders with the opportunity to receive a premium over recent market prices of CBS shares for a significant portion of their shares while retaining a substantial equity investment in the company.

"At the conclusion of the transaction CBS will continue to hold cash and marketable securities of approximately $800,000,000. It will remain fully capable of funding its current operations and continue to be flexible with respect to the acquisition of additional broadcast properties when suitable opportunities arise."

CONTACT: George Schweitzer, (212) 975-8635, or Ann Morfogen, (212) 975-8088, both of CBS.

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#90346p2417 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Racal Electronics Plc today announced the unaudited results for the fiscal half year (28 weeks) ended Oct. 12, 1990. Revenues amounted to 1.02 billion pounds, an increase of 8.4 percent over the same period last year.

Operating profit increased by 27.7 percent to 125.5 million pounds after charging start-up losses incurred in the development of Network Services of 10.4 million pounds, compared with 6.6 million pounds for the first half of last year. Pre-tax profit was in excess of 97 million pounds compared with 82 million pounds, an increase of 18.1 percent. Earnings per share increased by 8.5 percent to 3.70 pence.

An interim dividend of 1.05 pence per ordinary share net (equivalent to 1.4 pence per ordinary share inclusive of the UK associated tax credit at the current rate), an increase of 10.2 percent over last year, will be paid on Feb. 14, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Jan. 14, 1991.

The debt/equity ratio was 50.4 percent at Oct. 12, 1990 (net debt of 396 million pounds). Net borrowings at the end of the current year are expected to be similar to the half year figure.

Racal Telecom has again produced outstanding results with operating profits 66 percent ahead of the same period last year. Despite the downturn in the U.K. economy, the performance for the full year will be good.

The impact of the reductions in defense expenditures has been well contained

by the units most involved. However, the situation in the Gulf has had a marginal negative effect on business in the first half of this year.

The group as a whole is weathering the widespread recession well, although the markets for Data Communications and Computer Aided Design (part of Specialized Businesses) have been particularly affected, resulting in operating losses. As a result of continuing rationalization and reorganization measures, we look forward to Data Communications returning to profitability over the year as a whole and to a reduction of operating loss by Racal-Redac in the second half.

With the continued strong performance of Telecommunications and all other line of business planned to achieve improved profitability in the second half, the results of the group for the full year are expected to be good.

CONTACT: Edward W. Cheatham of The Racal Corporation, 212-268-0918

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#90346p2421 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Wyse Technology announced that it is part of a bidding team that has won the $700 million Army Small Multiuser Computer (SMC) award. Wyse expects to ship more than 70,000 terminals, valued at $35 million, over the term of the five-year contract.

The terminals will be integrated into office information support systems at Army, Navy, and Defense Logistics Agency locations worldwide by Electronic Data Systems (EDS), prime contractor and integrator. The computer chosen was the Prime EXL320 running under UNIX V.

"This is a continuation of our success in systems integration for the federal government arena, which is a key market for the company," said Joe O'Malley, vice president of sales for Wyse.

Wyse terminals that will be used initially in the office systems are the WY-60 the company's best selling general purpose terminal and the WY-370, a high performance color terminal. Wyse is the world's leading independent manufacturer of terminals, with 48 percent of the general purpose terminal market in the United States, according to market research.

Wyse Technology Inc. is a leading manufacturer of microprocessor-based products, which include terminals, IBM-compatible personal computers, monitors and multiuser systems. Wyse sells its products through customers that add value, such as distributors, VARs, and original equipment manufacturers. Headquartered in San Jose, Wyse operates sales offices across the United States and in Canada, Australia, Hong Kong, and Western Europe.

CONTACT: Shelley Potter of Wyse Technology, (408) 473-2064.

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#90346p2422 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Virco Mfg. Corporation (AMEX: VIR) Wednesday reported net earnings of $1,819,000, equal to 54 cents a share, on sales of $58,010,000 in the company's third fiscal quarter, the three months ended Oct. 31. In the like period a year ago, Virco earned $788,000, or 23 cents a share, on sales of $54,293,000.

Earnings for the quarter just ended were reduced by a provision of $800,000 (before tax) for losses which will be incurred on the disposal of all remaining inventory of the line of stacking chairs recalled earlier this year. Estimated costs of recalling and modifying chairs which had already been sold were provided from previous earnings, in the first quarter.

For the nine months ended Oct. 31, Virco reported net earnings of $1,948,000, or 58 cents a share, up from $862,000, or 25 cents a share, in the first nine months last year. Sales for the period were $143,717,000, as compared with $139,492,000 in the first nine months last year.

Robert A. Virtue, chairman and chief executive, said the sharply improved current results are continuing to follow a seasonal pattern largely set by purchasing practices in the nation's school systems. Sales volume in Virco's second and third quarters includes a higher percentage of the company's profitable educational furniture lines. In the final quarter, sales are heavier in other, more price-sensitive lines.

Sales volume and incoming orders in the fourth quarter are at levels approximately equal to last year, Virtue said. Internal cost reduction programs and favorable price negotiations for purchased materials have enabled the company to achieve generally improved levels of profitability, he added.

However, in common with much of American industry, Virco's planning continues to be affected by general business conditions, including the international crisis in the Persian Gulf, Virtue said. The company is monitoring the situation carefully, particularly petroleum price fluctuations which may be reflected in the cost of plastics used widely in Virco's manufacturing processes, he said.

VIRCO MFG. CORPORATION
(In thousand, except per share data)

	Three months ended Oct. 31		Nine months ended Oct. 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Continuing operations				
Sales	$58,010	$54,293	$143,717	$139,492
Net income	1,819	1,006	1,948	942
Discontinued operations				
(Loss)	--	(218)	--	(637)

Cumulative effect at Feb. 1, 1989 of change in method of accounting	--	--	--	557
Net income	1,819	788	1,948	862
(a) Per share	$0.54	$0.23	$0.58	$0.25

(a) Based on weighted average shares outstanding: 3,355,761 in both periods, adjusted for 10 percent stock dividend of record Sept. 17, 1990.

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#90346p2424 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Racal Electronics Plc today announced the unaudited results for the fiscal half year (28 weeks) ended Oct. 12, 1990. Revenues amounted to 1.02 billion pounds, an increase of 8.4 percent over the same period last year.

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RACAL ELECTRONICS PLC
Interim Results

	Half Year to Oct. 12, 1990 (Thousand pounds)	Half Year to Oct. 13, 1989 (Thousand pounds)	Increase (Percent)
Revenue	1,018,979	939,689	8.4
Operating profit before exceptional items	125,484	98,278	27.7
Exceptional items (see B below)	(11,373)	(8,859)	
Trading profit	114,111	89,419	27.6
Less interest payable	16,704	6,949	
Profit before tax	97,407	82,470	18.1
Less estimated tax	32,144	27,215	
Profit after tax	65,263	55,255	18.1
Less profit attributable to minority shareholders	17,203	11,468	
	48,060	43,787	9.8
Less extraordinary expenditure (net of tax) (see C below)	1,128	2,040	
Net profit	46,932	41,747	12.4
Earnings per share (bef. extraord. items)(1)	3.70 pence	3.41 pence	

(1) -- Based on 1,298.3 million ordinary shares for the current period and 1,282.3 ordinary shares for the comparable period a year ago.

Racal is a leading international electronics and security company. Racal Electronics Plc, the parent company, is headquartered in the United Kingdom. The Racal Corporation, headquartered in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., provides management and financial services for Racal's North American operations.

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#90346p2425 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - First Boston Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: FBF), announced today that its board of directors has unanimously approved a share repurchase program authorizing the fund from time to time to make open-market purchases on the New York Stock Exchange of up to 10 percent of the fund's shares outstanding as of Dec. 11, 1990.

In announcing the program, the fund noted that its shares have been trading at a discount from their net asset value and that its directors had also considered other alternatives, including converting the fund to an open-end investment company. "The fund believes in the long-term potential of its portfolio and has determined that a stock repurchase program is in the best interest of stockholders," said Edward N. McMillan, president of the fund. Repurchases will be on a discretionary basis and not unless shares are trading at a discount from their net asset value, he added.

The fund also announced today that its board of directors has unanimously approved a new investment advisory contract, identical to the existing contract, with First Boston Asset Management Corporation, its current investment adviser. The new contract is subject to stockholder approval at a special meeting of stockholders to be held on Jan. 22, 1991.

The fund's existing advisory contract will terminate automatically under the Investment Company Act of 1940 upon consummation of the recently announced $300 million additional equity investment in CS First Boston, Inc., the investment adviser's parent, by CS Holding. CS Holding is the parent company of Credit Suisse, one of the world's few AAA-rated banks. Consummation of CS Holding's equity investment is expected to occur shortly.

The fund is a closed-end investment company, the shares of which are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol FBF.

CONTACT: Frank Riccardi of First Boston Income Fund, 212-909-3856

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#90346p2426 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - First Boston Strategic Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: FBI) announced today that its board of directors has unanimously approved a share repurchase program authorizing the fund from time to time to make open-market purchases on the New York Stock Exchange of up to ten percent of the fund's shares outstanding as of Dec. 11, 1990.

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CS Holding is the parent company of Credit Suisse, one of the world's few AAA-rated banks. Consummation of CS Holding's equity investment is expected to occur shortly.

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#90346p2428 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Valspar Corporation (ASE: VAL), a major coatings manufacturer, declared a quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share payable Jan. 15, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990. This 15 cents dividend represents a 2 cents or 15 percent increase over the dividend in effect for the past four quarters.

CONTACT: Paul C. Reyelts of Valspar, 612-375-7702

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#90346p2437 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CULVER CITY, CA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Arizona Public Service Co., (APS), has selected the Leonardo illustration package from the Professional Publishing Division (formerly DocuPro, Inc.) of Information International Inc. (III), (NASDAQ: IINT) as its "sketching package."

The contract, marking the largest single Leonardo order to date, was sold to Arizona's primary electric utility by DevTech Associates of Napesville, Ill., a commercial UNIX Integrator and Value Added Reseller (VAR).

Leonardo, a UNIX-based software for Sun SPARC-based workstations and compatible computers, includes a high-performance, integrated drawing package that allows professional illustrators and graphics designers to produce isometric, perspective, trimetric, and dimetric illustrations.

Easy-to-use tables and forms, sophisticated composition, high-quality graphics drawing tools, and revision control features simplify the creation of technical and presentation documents, such as manuals, proposals, and,

marketing collateral.

The new Leonardo includes export interfaces for FrameMaker 2.0 (.mif), MacIntosh (.pict), and triple-I's own vbit standard features. It is compatible with PostScript printers and supports IGES Version 3.0 and CCITT Group 4 import/export.

The Arizona order includes 32 Leonardo software packages and service contracts plus 4 IGES filter options and 4 CCITT Group 4 Options. APS officials selected Leonardo following a thorough evaluation of available drawing software packages.

"The Leonardo package was the easiest to use among products we evaluated," said Greg Schaffer, APS Computer Service Project Manager. "We will install the 32 licenses at our Palo Verde, Ariz. nuclear power plant," Schaffer explained. "Our engineers will use Leonardo to draw diagrams for procedures manuals."

Leonardo was chosen for its number of features, versatility, its simple and consistent menu, and the table creative functions, which allow users to create basic table styles, inserting additional rows and columns as the information base expands.

"Since our UNIX installation growing, we will probably have a need for more Leonardo packages in the future," Schaffer added. The software can be used to prepare drawings for technical documentation, memos, reports, and presentation graphics.

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#90346p2439 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, Ohio (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Robbins & Myers, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROBN) today reported gains in both sales and income during the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

Net income for the quarter ended Nov. 30 increased 7.4 percent, from $1,425,000 to $1,530,000 over the same period in fiscal 1990. However, income before tax was up a strong 20 percent over the first quarter of the prior year.

Sales for the first quarter were $28.6 million, up 5 percent from $27.3 million for the first quarter of 1990.

Earnings per share improved 8.9 percent to $.61 from $.56 for the same period last year.

"Our Fluids Handling Group continued their strong performance of the last few years which led to our good results for the quarter," said Daniel W. Duval,

president and chief executive officer. "While they are experiencing some weakness in the industrial markets, oilfield products and waste water treatment markets are performing quite well and we expect that to continue."

Duval explained, "Our Motion Control Group is continuing the cost reduction programs initiated last year and we are beginning to see some modest improvement. Further progress is expected in the second half of this fiscal year. In addition, there has been a strong level of activity in the new Brushless Systems business, both domestically and in Europe.

"Both groups have experienced improvements in orders and backlogs during the quarter and are well positioned for the second quarter. Our biggest concern is the economy; a downturn could impact our fiscal second half results."

The company also reported that the board of directors approved a 50 percent increase in the dividend from $.05 per share to $.075 for shareholders of record on Jan. 10, payable Jan. 31, 1991.

Robbins & Myers, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets an array of fluids handling and motion control products for markets around the world. The Fluids Handling Group manufactures progressing cavity pumps for a variety of industrial, oilfield and municipal applications. The Motion Control Group manufactures AC motors and DC servosystems and optical encoders for office and industrial automation applications.

The company is traded over-the-counter under the symbol ROBN.

ROBBINS & MYERS, INC.
FIRST QUARTER
COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Three Months Ended	
	Nov. 30 1990	Nov. 30 1989
Net sales	$28,570,000	$27,259,000
Income before income tax	1,799,000	1,499,000
Income taxes	269,000	74,000
Net income	1,530,000	1,425,000
Net income per share	$.61	$.56
Average common shares outstanding	2,499,000	2,525,000
Unfilled orders	$41,905,000	$29,350,000

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#90346p2445 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

STOUGHTON, MA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The best of Reebok can be found at 344 Newbury St. in Boston now that the company has opened its first concept store. With an emphasis on athletic performance technology, this flagship store will

offer the most extensive assortment of Reebok footwear, apparel, and accessories currently available to consumers.

By creatively designing and merchandising the 5,000 square foot selling space, Reebok has established a state-of-the-art retail environment in a turn of the century brick carriage house in Boston's fashionable Back Bay.

A second store, prominently located at 2936 Main St. in Santa Monica, Calif., is scheduled to open in late spring. Both east and west coast concept stores are dedicated to researching innovations in product technology and design, new merchandising concepts, and customer service techniques.

"Reebok enters the retail arena in order to directly experience the many challenges facing our retailers today. Our goal is to improve the retail environment by soliciting first-hand feedback from consumers.

"We have created a laboratory environment that will quickly apply our solutions and successes to our retail account base. Can you imagine the value of providing our retailers with a proven product line and proven merchandising techniques?", said Ron Campo, vice president of product, marketing and development.

The Newbury Street store premieres Reebok's "collection" approach to merchandising the men's, women's and children's lines for holiday and spring. The footwear, apparel and accessories for both sport and leisure activities are merchandised together to provide customers ease in coordinating a head-to-toe Reebok look.

A highly trained, technically knowledgable sales staff has been brought in to educate customers on the benefits of the Reebok technologies, materials, fabric and designs. "We are committed to understanding our customers. To further our pledge to customer service, every Reebok employee from our Stoughton headquarters will work one day a year on the selling floor of the concept store," explains Campo.

The "Best of Reebok" is not confined to the interior of the store. Reebok's NBA players will make their mark at the Newbury Street shop by placing their footprints in cement in front of the store. Atlanta Hawks Dominique Wilkins and Doc Rivers and Boston Celtics Reggie Lewis, Dee Brown and Joe Kleine are among the first to be immortalized at the store.

CONTACT: Mimi George of Reebok, (617) 341-7406.

-30- 2734

#90346p2448 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDISON, N.J. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Engelhard Corporation (NYSE: EC) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 17

cents per share on the common stock of the company payable Dec. 31, 1990, to stockholders of record on Dec. 24, 1990.

Engelhard Corporation is a world leading provider of specialty chemical products, engineered materials and precious metal management services.

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#90346p2453 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WIXOM, MI (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Secom General Corporation (NASDAQ: SECM) today announced that it expects to report a significant increase in earnings for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1990, vs. the same quarter last year.

Specifically, the company expects income of $190,000 on $2.7 million of sales, and earnings of $.18 per share. This would compare with results from last year of $91,000 of income on $2.1 million in sales, and earnings of $.09 per share. The income and earnings per share amounts are after the effects of utilizing the company's net operating tax loss carryforwards.

"We expect our sales and earnings to continue to be strong throughout 1991," said Roy A. McKnight, CEO.

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#90346p2456 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOMERVILLE, NJ (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Rod Mackenzie, chairman of GynoPharma Inc., manufacturer of ParaGard(R) T380A Intrauterine Copper Contraceptive today issued the following statement:

Nearly 50 percent of American women age 30-34 choose sterilization as their birth-control method, some of whom go on to regret that decision. Until recently, women opting for effective reversible long-term contraception did not have many choices. Now they have three.

The recent FDA approval of Norplant(R) (levonorgestrel) contraceptive subdermal implants, a five-year product, and the extended, six-year indication given to the ParaGard T380A Intrauterine Copper Contraceptive demonstrate the healthcare community's concern with women's needs for convenient, effective, and reversible long-term birth control. We consider this a positive step forward in women's healthcare.

When considering effective, reversible long-term contraceptive options, women who cannot or will not use the pill can now choose between hormonal (Norplant) and non-hormonal (ParaGard) methods, both of which require minimal attention

during the period of action.

Both methods are 99 percent effective, though ParaGard is more economical, averaging $50 per year over its six-year life span, or a total upfront cost of $300 (including insertion), compared to Norplant's total anticipated cost of $700 (including insertion), which averages $140 per year over five years. In addition, ParaGard is inserted and removed nonsurgically.

The challenge now is in expanding the physician's role from contraceptive prescriber to counselor on contraceptive options. Women must be informed of all methods to decide which is best for them. For example, 84 million women worldwide choose the IUD for contraception. But because many women in this country are unaware of its availability, it is severely underutilized.

Daniel R. Mishell, Jr., M.D., professor and chairman of Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Southern California School of Medicine, and participant in extensive clinical studies on both ParaGard and Norplant compares the two products: "ParaGard and Norplant appear to be equally effective in preventing pregnancy; however, ParaGard is longer-lasting, much easier to insert and remove, considerably less expensive, and doesn't interfere with menstrual regularity. In Finland, where Norplant has been available for five years, it is uncommonly used, while IUDs are very popular."

GynoPharma Inc., headquartered in Somerville, N.J., is devoted exclusively to women's healthcare. The company, which markets the only copper IUD available in the U.S., is actively involved in research and development of contraceptive and gynecological products.

CONTACT: For information on ParaGard's role in convenient, effective and reversible long-term contraception, contact: Nancy Larsen of GynoPharma, (201) 725-3100; or for a chart comparing ParaGard, Norplant and oral contraceptives, contact: Alison Bender Kellner of Sutton PR, (212) 779-1818, for GynoPharma.

-30- 3274

#90346p2457 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

YONKERS, N.Y. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - National HMO Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: NHMO) announced today that income before taxes for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990 was approximately $626,000 or $.13 a share as compared to income before taxes of approximately $466,000 or $.10 a share for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1989. Net income per share for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990 was $.07 a share as compared to $.08 a share for the corresponding three-month period of 1989. The full utilization of federal loss carryforwards in the prior year resulted in a lower earnings per share in the current year. Revenues for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 were approximately $3,835,000 as compared to $3,253,000 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989. The increase in revenues was attributable to an increase in patient fee income of Allen Health Care Services.

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-30- 1101

#90346p2463 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, OR (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Williams Controls Inc. (NASDAQ: WMCO) said today it has reached a contract agreement with the United Auto Workers local No.492 for the company's union employees.

The new three year contract was ratified with nearly 90 percent of the company's voting union employees deciding in favor. Both parties to the contract agreed that an Employee Stock Ownership ("ESOP") Committee, consisting of union and management members, can be activated should both sides agree to explore the possibility of an ESOP program. In this regard, the company plans to retain the services of an investment advisor.

"We are pleased that this new contract was ratified by such a large margin," Williams Controls' president, Joseph Hovorka, said, "This vote underscores our commitment to our employees and the quality of the products they produce."

Williams Controls manufactures and sells a wide range of pneumatic, electronic and hydraulic controls for the truck, bus, mining, construction, and refuse collection markets.

Its product lines include approximately 250 different pneumatic products as well as specialized electronic and hydraulic products which are sold nationwide and in foreign countries.

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#90346p2468 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME) and the Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT) said they will implement, effective Thursday, Dec. 13, new maximum daily price limits on the S&P 500 and MMI stock index futures contracts, respectively.

The daily limit on the S&P 500 futures contract at the CME will be narrowed from 30 points (roughly equivalent to 250 points on the Dow Jones Industrial Average) to 20 points (about 150 Dow points). The daily limit on the MMI futures contract at the CBOT will be narrowed from 50 points (about 250 Dow points) to 30 points (about 150 Dow points). All other price limits, also known as circuit breakers, remain at current levels.

The Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) approved the new price limits,

which were proposed by the governing boards of each exchange in September.

The CME and the CBOT are both on record supporting the recommendation made in mid-1990 by the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) Panel on Market Volatility and Investor Confidence respecting coordinated circuit breakers. The recommendations included a coordinated set of trading halts across all securities, options and futures markets during periods of extreme price volatility. To date, these recommendations have not been adopted by the securities industry.

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-30- 1600

#90346p2470 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST ST. PAUL, MINN. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Signal Bank is proud to announce Galen Pate, chairman and chief executive officer, has been named the 1990 recipient of the Dakota Award.

The Dakota Award, which is presented annually by the Northern Dakota County Chambers of Commerce (NDCCC), recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions to Dakota County. The Award, first introduced in 1985, has been presented to three Signal Bank Associates since its introduction.

"Galen has actively given of his personal time and funds to work to enhance the opportunities for others in our communities," Pate's nomination read. "He selflessly responds to requests from others who have identified needs that must be met. He not only responds, but instills in the employees of Signal Bank his philosophy, thereby magnifying the impact of his contribution in the community."

Pate has been actively involved with many community organizations and is a past president of the NDCCC. He is the founder of Dakota's Children, which operates residential facilities for children with physical disabilities in the Dakota County area. Pate has been actively involved with ARC Suburban, a support and advocacy organization for people with developmental disabilities, and has served on the board of directors for ARC Minnesota and ARC USA.

Pate is vice chairman for Dakota Area Resources and Transportation for Seniors (DARTS) and serves as the chairman of the board of directors of the St. Paul Chapter of the American Red Cross. In addition to DARTS and the Red Cross, Pate also serves on the board of directors of the Dodge Nature Center in West St. Paul and The St. Paul United Way.

CONTACT: Alisha J. Rindal of Signal Bank, 612-452-9200

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#90346p2471 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Carroll Publishing Company's new Global Trade White Pages, scheduled for January 1991 availability, is the first single-source reference covering current international trade contacts in over 160 countries, the company announced today.

Produced with extensive cooperation from U.S. and worldwide government and business organizations -- including the Export-Import Bank, the Small Business Administration, the Department of Commerce, the World Trade Association, embassies, and the Department of State -- Global Trade White Pages lists 25,000 contacts by name. Each entry includes job title, organization, address and telephone number. Cross-referencing by keyword and country makes it easy to pinpoint the right person.

Contacts are organized alphabetically by agency or office within broad geographical/jurisdictional headings (U.S. Federal Government, U.S. State and Local Government, World Governments, Intergovernmental and International Organizations, and Non-governmental Organizations). Coverage includes government officials, experts, and business leaders who can provide information and advice in such key areas as export/ import regulations, transporting goods, economic development, trade policies, patents and trademarks, military procurement, communications, labor force issues, and more. Entries have been validated before publication by Carroll's experienced research staff. In many cases sources have been provided electronically to ensure data integrity.

In addition to the main contact listings, the directory also includes country snapshots with details of each nation's market, economy, industries, agriculture, imports, exports, natural resources, current trading partners, and international trade activities.

Founded in 1974, Carroll Publishing Company produces the highly regarded Government Executive Directories covering federal, state, and local government as well Defense and Federal Organization and Programs Services.

CONTACT: Karen Holloway of Carroll Publishing, 202-333-8620

-30- 2258
#90346p2472 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
STAMFORD, CONN. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - General Re Corporation (NYSE: GRN) announced that its board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.38 per share on the common stock of the corporation payable Dec. 31, 1990 to stockholders of record Dec. 24, 1990.

CONTACT: Edmond F. Rondepierre, vice president, general counsel and secretary of General Re Corporation, 203-328-5000

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#90346p2473 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWPORT NEWS, VA. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Flight International Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: FLTI) announced today that it plans to distribute to shareholders an amendment to its quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended Oct. 31, 1990, to amend certain disclosure contained in the quarterly report relating to a lawsuit previously brought by a former executive vice president and chief operating officer of Flight International.

In view of the distribution of the amendment to the quarterly report, Flight International also rescheduled the annual meeting scheduled for this Friday, Dec. 14, 1990, to Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1991, at a time and place to be designated. Flight International anticipates that the amendment to the quarterly report will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and mailed to shareholders shortly.

The Flight International Group, Inc. is a leader in aviation services with interests in government and military contracts as well as commercial flight operations.

CONTACT: Jeanne Huber of Flight International, 804-886-5500, or Art Gormley of Hill and Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for Flight International

-30- 1325

#90346p2475 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Gamma Biologicals Inc. (AMEX: GBL), has reached an agreement in principle with The University of Texas System M.D. Anderson Cancer Center for the exclusive worldwide rights to a patent covering a new in-vitro diagnostic testing technology. The new technology, using a galvanic electrode system, detects the first phase of bacterial, viral or blood group antigen/antibody reactions in less than five minutes.

"Current diagnostic test results usually depend upon interpretation of agglutination or color development that may require up to 24 hours," said Chairman David E. Hatcher. "The galvanic immunoelectrode technology detects change in electrical charge as a positive test result. The advantages of this testing system are speed and accuracy, while obtaining objectivity, as the results are determined by electrical impulse."

Gamma began in-house research into this diagnostic testing concept in 1989 and is developing a disposable test card possessing a solid substrate containing appropriate antigen or antibody that is bound to an electrode. The immunochemical reaction occurs in less than five minutes when a blood specimen is added to the test card.

"We anticipate marketing the first diagnostic product using this new technology within two years," Hatcher said. "Successful development of product lines based on this patent could be the most significant event in the company's history."

Gamma Biologicals manufactures and markets a wide range of highly refined and specialized testing products, known as diagnostic reagents, as well as specialized instrument systems. Gamma markets to hospitals, blood banks, medical laboratories, physicians' offices and research institutions. The company's common stock began trading on the American Stock Exchange on June 8, 1990.

CONTACT: David E. Hatcher of Gamma Biologicals Inc., 713-681-8481

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#90346p2476 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Vaalco Energy, Inc. announces that its wholly owned subsidiary, Alcorn (Production) Philippines, Inc., has completed drillstem test (DST) number one in the West Linapacan-1 exploration well.

DST-1 was conducted through 40 feet of perforations over the intervals 5830-5850 and 5876-5896 feet. The test flowed at a stabilized rate of 5198 barrels of oil per day (BOPD) through a 48/64 inch choke. Surface flowing pressure was 585 psi, oil 32.2 degree API gravity, and gas-oil ratio of 180 cubic feet/barrel.

Two additional DSTs will be run prior to temporarily suspending the well. The combination of the results of these tests will be utilized to calculate estimated original crude oil in place and ultimate barrels recoverable.

CONTACT: Jerrel D. Branson, President of Vaalco Energy, 713-963-8869.

-30- 1015

#90346p2479 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - A company formed by Vitale Holdings, Inc. and management has acquired substantially all of the operating assets of the Walter H. Mayer and Co., Inc. subsidiary of Lakeland Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: LAKE). Walter H. Mayer, based in Chicago, is a leading national distributor of apparel and flatgoods to hospitals, nursing homes and the hospital industries. In addition, the company distributes a variety of garments to industrial users.

The company will operate under the name "Walter H. Mayer, Inc." and plans to open additional distribution centers in North Carolina and Nevada in 1991.

Vitale Holdings, Inc., headquartered in Charlotte, North Carolina and

controlled by Jody Vitale and Rory Vitale, acquires controlling interests in small to medium size businesses.

CONTACT: Jody B. Vitale, Vitale Holdings, Inc. 704-338-7112, or Rory Vitale, Walter H. Mayer, Inc., 708-594-9500

-30- 1109

#90346p2481 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLOUCESTER, MASS (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - NutraMax Products, Inc. (NASDAQ: NMPC), a manufacturer and distributor of feminine hygiene and personal care products, today reported record sales for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Sales for fiscal 1990 were $14,928,000, an increase of 14 percent over 1989 sales of $13,095,000. Gross profit also increased to 31 percent of sales from 26 percent in 1989. Earnings, before the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle, increased $281,000 over 1989. Fourth-quarter sales were $3,889,000 in 1990, an increase of 33 percent over 1989 sales of $2,915,000 and earnings increased $43,000 over 1989.

Donald E. Lepone, president and chief executive officer, reported that the results for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 reflect the acquisition of Aid-Pack, Inc. on July 25, 1990, from MEDIQ Incorporated in a transaction accounted for as a reverse merger.

For financial reporting purposes the company's historical financial statements represent the results of Aid-Pack for all periods presented and the combined results of Aid-Pack and the company from the effective date of the merger.

NUTRAMAX PRODUCTS, INC.
(In thousands)

Periods ended	Fiscal year		Three months	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$14,928	$13,095	$3,889	$2,915
Gross profit	4,619	3,374	1,214	917
Loss before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(173)	(454)	(80)	(123)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(272)	--	--	--
Net loss	(445)	(454)	(80)	(123)
Earnings per share	.00	.00	.00	.00
Wtd. avg. shares outstanding	128,365	123,283	143,444	123,283

CONTACT: Michael F. Sandler, chief financial officer of NutraMax Products, 609-665-9300, ext. 6005

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#90346p2484 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - General Mills (NYSE: GIS) said today its earnings per share increased 20 percent for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 before a net gain relating primarily to the sale of a business.

For the 13-week period ended Nov. 25, General Mills earned 72 cents per share, a gain of 31 percent. That overall profit figure includes a net gain of 6 cents per share, or $9.2 million, from the sale of the Lancia Bravo pasta operation in Canada, partially offset by a restructuring charge for Yoplait yogurt operations. Excluding this unusual gain, earnings per share were 66 cents compared with 55 cents earned by continuing operations a year earlier. Sales grew 13 percent to $1.84 billion.

All prior-year earnings per share figures have been restated to reflect a two-for-one stock split that was effective Nov. 7, 1990.

Chairman H.B. Atwater, Jr., said that the strong performance primarily resulted from continued excellent operating gains by both Consumer Foods and Restaurants, and from excellent expense control throughout the company.

Consumer Foods reported second-quarter gains of 12 percent in sales and 23 percent in operating profits excluding the unusual gain relating to the Lancia Bravo sale and Yoplait restructuring. As in the first quarter, performance was led by substantial sales and profit gains by Big G cereals and Betty Crocker Products. Big G's ready-to-eat cereal volume grew 8 percent, increasing its quarterly dollar share of the $7 billion retail market to 28 percent, up 1.5 share points from the comparable period a year ago. Betty Crocker products benefited from an overall volume gain of 14 percent, led by increases of 24 percent by Hamburger Helper and other main meal mixes and increases of more than 30 percent for various snack food lines. General Mills' overall domestic package food volume grew by more than 8 percent in the second quarter.

Cumulative first-half Consumer Foods sales and operating profits grew 13 percent and 21 percent (excluding the unusual gain), respectively. First-half domestic package food volume grew by more than 9 percent, and cumulative results also reflect strong volume and profit gains by Canadian and European operations.

CONTACT: (Analysts) Dean Belbas, 612-540-2443 or Ted Blood, 612-540-2256; (Media) R.C. Shulstad, 612-540-3745, all of General Mills

-30- 2570
#90346p2485 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The CBS (NYSE: CBS) board of directors announced today that it had unanimously elected Laurence A. Tisch chairman of the board. Tisch succeeds William S. Paley, who died Oct. 26. Tisch will also continue to serve as president and chief executive officer, CBS, Inc.

CONTACT: Ann Morfogen of CBS, 212-975-5171

-30- 497

#90346p2487 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

PEORIA, IL (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Caterpillar Inc. (NYSE: CAT) today declared a cash dividend of thirty cents per share on its common stock, payable Feb. 20, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business Jan. 22, 1991. This maintains the dividend rate declared for the previous quarter.

CONTACT: R. E. Stober, Caterpillar Inc., 309/675-5548

-30- 516

#90346p2489 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

AVON, MA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Child World, Inc. (NASDAQ: CWLD) will begin Thursday the largest advertising blitz in its 34-year history to promote what it believes is the biggest Christmas toy sale in the history of the toy industry.

"We want every parent in every market where we have a store to know that Santa Claus is coming early this year," said Child World Chief Executive Officer Peter Hayes. "By the time we are done with this two- week blitz, we estimate that more than 105 million people will have read, seen or heard at least one of our ads. In fact, in the markets in which we will use both radio and television, we estimate that nearly 80 million people will have heard our message eight or more times by the time we're done." The newspaper circular alone will reach approximately 20 million families encompassing more than 50 million consumers, he noted.

The $4 million advertising campaign is part of a previously announced plan by the country's second-largest retail toy supermarket to reduce inventory and raise cash at its 182 stores.

The sale covers $105 million of retail inventory. "We are positioning this as the sale of the year," said Hayes. "It's bad news for other toy retailers; but it's good news for parents looking for the best bargains around on toys, dolls, bikes and games."

Shoppers can easily spot the sale merchandise. Red labels indicate a price cut of 30 percent and green a price cut of 50 percent. Bargains of up to 75 percent off can be found in the store's "World of Values" section. Prices on sale merchandise are marked down from the already discounted Child

World/Children's Palace prices, which are as much as 30 percent below "manufacturers suggested retail price."

Examples of sale items include: -- 50 percent off all hyper cars and sets, including Hasbro, Tonka and Bandai, originally priced at $5.99 to $69.99, now priced at $2.90 to $29.90;

-- Lost and found by Galoob, originally priced at $24.99, now priced at $14.90;

-- Hob Nobbins, originally priced at $9.99, now $4.99; -- 30 percent of all hand-held games from Tiger Electronics, originally priced at $11.99 to $19.99, now $8.39 to $13.99;

-- Reduced prices on over 200 titles of Nintendo software, now priced at $14.90, $19.90 and $24.90.

The sale will continue through Christmas. The price markdowns are on selected inventory. Once the merchandise is sold, it will not be restocked and no "rain checks" will be issued for out-of-stock merchandise.

CONTACT: Gary Holmes of Robinson, Lake, Lerer & Montgomery, 212-484-7736, for Child World

-30- 2800

#90346p2491 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO, (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - IRT Corp. (AMEX: IX) today announced that the company has signed a quantity purchase agreement with Delco Electronics Corp. Under the agreement at least 13 CXI-5000 series Automated Process Monitors will be delivered over 15 months. Delco Electronics, a subsidiary of GM Hughes Electronics, is a major supplier of automotive electronics.

The CXI-5000 series systems, with an average selling price of $380,000 are automated X-ray inspection systems designed for high-throughput inspection and process control in manufacturing assembly lines for circuit boards using surface-mount technology. Based on the number of systems and the average price, the agreement is expected to be worth more than $5 million.

This is the second quantity purchase agreement between IRT and Delco Electronics. In early 1989 the companies signed an agreement under which Delco Electronics would purchase a minimum of 17 systems over 24 months.

"This agreement continues the progress we've made in expanding IRT's installed base of high-throughput production systems, which last year doubled to 40 systems," said Edward W. Soron, senior vice president and general manager, Electronic Systems. "The agreement reinforces IRT's position as the pre-eminent supplier of advanced on-line X-ray systems for the production environment."

The systems purchased under the agreement will be used for high-volume manufacturing in a number of new programs in body electronics, power train electronics, and audio systems in both domestic and overseas Delco Electronics facilities.

A number of the systems delivered under the agreement will be IRT's newest CXI-5000-series system, the CXI-5500 Automated Process Monitor. The CXI-5500 offers high-speed and high-resolution imaging using IRT's patented Automated Real Time X-ray technique (U.S. patent 4809308).

Using proprietary software and real-time X-ray imaging, the CXI systems automatically inspect circuit boards, detecting critical assembly errors, such as missing or misplaced components and solder defects. The systems are capable of inspecting highly miniaturized "fine-pitch" devices (20-mil lead spacing and finer), which are increasingly used in advanced electronics equipment. Solder integrity is critical in surface mount fabrication, since it is the only element holding the electronic components to the board.

IRT's revenues from its Electronics Systems unit achieved record levels last year, increasing from $2.4 million in fiscal 1989 to $7.6 million in fiscal 1990 (which ended March 31, 1990). This growth was attributed to expansion of the company's international business through IRT's new distributors in Japan (Tokyo Electron Limited) and Europe (Electronic Instruments Group). Among the major installations completed during the year were systems at IBM, Hitachi, OKI and GM Singapore overseas, in addition to new facilities of IBM and Motorola in the United States.

Headquartered in San Diego, IRT Corp. is a major suppler of industrial real-time X-ray systems, with more than 500 systems installed, and is the technology leader in fully automated X-ray inspection systems with computerized defect recognition capability. The company develops and manufactures inspection and process monitoring systems, including fully integrated systems for electronics, automotive, aerospace, and defense applications.

IRT also operates a commercial radiation processing facility, which provides high-energy electron-beam processing for a number of commercial applications.

CONTACT: Tom Stroebel, 619-450-4343, ext. 429, or Michael Green, 619-450-4343 ext. 560, of IRT Corp.

-30- 3901

#90346p2493 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENASHA, WI (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - A multimillion dollar new plant construction project has been announced by Clark Printing Company, Inc. The proposed site of the 160,000-square-foot facility will be Liberty, Mo., about

12 miles northeast of Clark's present facility at 1534 Burlington St., North Kansas City, Mo.

The company produces short- to medium-run magazines, those with print runs from 10,000 to 350,000. Clark is a subsidiary of Banta Corporation (NASDAQ: BNTA), Menasha, Wis., one of the nation's largest printing companies.

Banta Publications Group President John P. Ashelman says the project represents a major commitment to Clark Printing and the market it serves. "Banta Corporation's investment in this new plant clearly reinforces its continuing efforts to serve magazine customers to the utmost," notes Ashelman. "Over the past three years we've made great strides in improving our share of this important market segment. This modern facility will continue that momentum."

Clark General Manager Peter E. Knobel says the new plant is planned to begin operations in the fourth quarter of 1991 and to be fully operational in the third quarter of 1992.

"Our employees are very excited about this new facility," says Knobel. "It will be laid out for optimum work flow and designed to maximize product quality, giving us added capability to serve the needs of our current and future customers."

"We like the Kansas City area," emphasizes Knobel. "Its central geographic location allows us to serve our nationwide customer base and our employees are vitally important to the continuing success of Clark. They're skilled and dedicated people who will thrive in this new environment."

Key equipment additions for the plant include a new eight- unit double web printing press with a double former folder and a 24-pocket perfect binder. After transfer of equipment from the existing plant is complete, the new operation will have four web presses, one sheetfed press and three binding lines.

Knobel says the new plant is expected to boost Clark's employment by 35. Present employment is 165.

Among the special-interest magazine titles produced and distributed by Clark are Kansas Farmer, Amusement Business, and Milling and Baking News.

CONTACT: John P. Ashelman of Banta Publications Group, 708-323-9490; or Peter E. Knobel of Clark Printing Company, Inc., 816-842-8282

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#90346p2500 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the

following members of The Vanguard Group of Investment Companies has declared the following distributions:

Wellington Fund -- a quarterly distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.41 per share, payable on Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 12, 1990.

Wellesley Income Fund -- a quarterly distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.46 per share, payable on Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 12, 1990.

Windsor Fund -- a semi-annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.44 per share and an annual distribution from realized capital gains in the amount of $.32 (8 cents, short term and 24 cents, long term), payable on Dec. 18, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 12.

Windsor II -- a semi-annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.53 per share and an annual distribution from realized long-term capital gains in the amount of $.28, payable on Dec. 18, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 12.

Vanguard Equity Income Fund -- a quarterly distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.37 per share, and an annual distribution from realized long-term capital gains in the amount of $.07, payable on Dec. 18, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 12.

Vanguard High Yield Stock Fund -- a quarterly distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.26 per share, payable on Dec. 18, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 12.

Vanguard Preferred Stock Fund -- a quarterly distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.255 (25 and a half cents) per share, payable on Dec. 18, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 12.

Vanguard Convertible Securities Fund -- a quarterly distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.15 per share, payable on Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 12, 1990.

CONTACT: John S. Woerth of The Vanguard Group, 215-648-6984

-30- 2181

#90346p2502 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, NC (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Carolina Power & Light Co. (NYSE: CPL) today approved a load forecast and a construction budget, named three new vice presidents, and increased the dividend on the company's common stock.

CP&L Chairman and President Sherwood H. Smith, Jr. said the directors approved a load forecast that expects the company's peak load to grow at an average annual rate of 2.2 percent a year for the next 10 years. That is basically unchanged from last year's forecast.

Directors also approved a 1991 construction budget of $364 million. The 1991 budget is primarily for transmission and distribution facilities to serve growing customer needs.

Directors also declared a quarterly dividend of 76 cents per share on the company's common stock payable February 1, 1991, to shareholders of record as of January 10, 1991. The new common stock quarterly dividend is an increase of three cents.

The newly elected vice presidents are Larry E. Boyer, manager of the Customer Support Department; Jerry W. Kirk, manager of the company's Northern Division; and James W. Massengill, manager of CP&L'S Raleigh Division.

Dividends at the prescribed rate for preferred stock are $1.25 per share on the $5 series; $1.05 per share on the $4.20 series; $1.36 per share on the $5.44 series; $1.93 per share on the $7.72 series; $1.9875 per share on the $7.95 series; $2.12 per share on the $8.48 series; and $2.275 per share on the $9.10 series.

The preferred dividends are payable April 1, 1991, to shareholders of record as of March 20, 1991.

CP&L serves more than 972,000 customers in a 30,000 square mile area covering much of central and eastern North Carolina, the Asheville area, and the northeastern quarter of South Carolina.

CONTACT: Wayne Ennis of Carolina Power & Light Company, 919-546-6189

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#90346p2505 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MI (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) has entered into an agreement to market Surfak(R) and Doxidan(R) products, two leading over-the-counter laxatives, from Hoechst-Roussel Pharmaceuticals Inc.

Upjohn has acquired 10-year marketing rights in the U.S. and has an option to buy both products. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

"The acquisition of these two products is further evidence of Upjohn's commitment to build its consumer products division, which is one of the company's strategic goals," said Upjohn Executive Vice President William U. Parfet.

Both products are viewed as having significant additional growth potential. "We intend to aggressively promote Surfak and Doxidan to both consumers and professionals," said Thomas M. Laughlin, vice president and general manager for Upjohn's consumer products division. "These two laxative brands will complement our already substantial anti- diarrheal business with Kaopectate and enhance our position in the OTC gastrointestinal market."

Doxidan contains both the stool softener docusate calcium and the intestinal stimulant phenolphthalein. It was first marketed in 1959 and is one of the leading products in the category of stool softeners with intestinal stimulants.

Surfak contains docusate calcium as its active ingredient. Also available since 1959 and a leader in its market category, Surfak contains no sodium, offers a convenient once-a-day dosage and offers a superior value to other leading brands of stool softeners.

The Upjohn Company is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care products, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

Hoechst-Roussel Pharmaceuticals Inc. is part of the Life Sciences Group of Hoechst Celanese Corporation. Hoechst Celanese is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hoechst AG of Germany, with leading positions in chemicals, fibers, advanced materials and technologies, and life sciences.

CONTACT: Jan R. AufderHeide of The Upjohn Company, 616-323-6546

-30- 2369

#90346p2508 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WORCESTER, MA. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - BankWorcester Corporation (NASDAQ: BNKW) announced that at 1 p.m. today, its subsidiary, Worcester County Institution for Savings (WCiS), assumed the insured deposits and banking operations of New England Allbank for Savings, Gardner, Mass. WCiS paid a premium of $160,000 for the right to receive the transferred deposits.

New England Allbank offices will reopen for business as offices of WCiS on Thursday, Dec. 13, 1990. WCiS President Harold Cabot stated, "WCiS' focus is Central Massachusetts and this acquisition is a natural extension of our present delivery system. New England Allbank maintained a very strong position in its local market and we intend to continue that tradition. We already have many customers in the Gardner, Westminister and Ashburnham areas and we expect to have more new friends in the future."

According to Cabot, "For BankWorcester the transfer represents a very attractive body of core deposits of approximately $147 million acquired at a premium of 1/10 of one percent. We will be able to serve New England Allbank

customers with little additional operations costs."

Worcester County Institution for Savings and BankWorcester are headquartered in Worcester, the second-largest city in New England. Assets of Sept. 30, 1990 were approximately $1.1 billion.

CONTACT: Harold Cabot of Worcester County Institution for Savings, 508-831-4265

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#90346p2509 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

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CONTACT: Harold Cabot of Worcester County Institution for Savings, 508-831-4265

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#90346p2512 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALEM, VA. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors today declared a quarterly dividend of $0.04 per share on the common stock of Rowe Furniture Corporation (AMEX: ROW).

The dividend is payable on January 15, 1991 to stockholders of record December 26, 1990.

CONTACT: A.H. Dunkin, Secretary-Treasurer, Rowe Furniture Corporation, 703-389-8671

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#90346p2514 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Oversight Board for the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) announced today the appointment of Arthur J. Siddon as vice president of public affairs and public liaison, effective immediately.

Siddon comes to the Oversight Board from the Department of the Treasury where he served as director of public affairs, overseeing media relations, since 1989. Siddon joined the Treasury Department as a senior public affairs officer in 1984.

As vice president of public affairs and public liaison, Siddon will serve as the agency's chief spokesman and head the division that communicates the Oversight Board's policies and actions to the public and the press.

"Mr. Siddon has a diverse background in the press, policy-making and finance," said Peter H. Monroe, president of the Oversight Board. "This valuable experience makes me confident that Mr. Siddon will be a great asset to the effort of communicating the Oversight Board's policies to the American public."

Before joining the Treasury Department, Siddon was the press secretary for the House of Representatives Budget Committee's minority staff from 1982 to 1984.

Siddon made his transition to the public affairs field after spending 18 years as a reporter for the Chicago Tribune. From 1972 to 1982, Siddon was the Tribune's chief congressional correspondent in Washington. Siddon served as a general assignment reporter for the Tribune in Chicago from 1964 to 1971.

Siddon received a bachelor's degree in English from Miami University in Oxford Ohio, in 1961.

The Oversight Board formulates the policy, approves the funding and provides the general oversight of the RTC, the agency responsible for resolving the nation's failed thrifts.

CONTACT: Felisa M. Neuringer of the Oversight Board, Resolution Trust Corporation, 202-786-9672

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SOMERVILLE, NJ (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Hoechst AG of Frankfurt, Germany, announced today that an agreement had been reached with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and the U.S. Attorney's office in Newark, N.J., ending a four-year investigation of Hoechst AG and its U.S. subsidiary Hoechst-Roussel Pharmaceuticals Incorporated (HRPI). The investigation concerned compliance by

Hoechst AG and HRPI with FDA regulations governing reporting of side effects allegedly associated with the prescription antidepressant medicine Merital(R) (nomifensine).

The agreement resolves four misdemeanor charges against Hoechst AG relating to the unintentional failure to make timely reports of adverse reactions involving two patients who received the drug in Europe. Hoechst AG agreed to pay a fine of $202,000.

The charges were brought against Hoechst AG under provisions of U.S. law that permit criminal liability without proof of fault. The government did not allege intentional misconduct or negligence by Hoechst AG or any of its employees.

No charges were brought against the U.S. subsidiary. The U.S. Attorney's office has stated that neither HRPI nor its employees were ever a target of the investigation, and has acknowledged that HRPI complied fully with its reporting obligations under U.S. law.

The Merital inquiry began in 1986, after Hoechst AG voluntarily withdrew the drug from the market worldwide in response to an unexplained increase in cases of hemolytic anemia, a rare side effect involving destruction of red blood cells. The company had alerted physicians to this side effect in prescribing information distributed from the date the drug was first marketed in the United States.

The worldwide withdrawal of Merital occurred only a few months after the drug was introduced to the United States. Following a congressional hearing in 1986 the FDA and the Justice Department began an extensive investigation, in which HRPI and Hoechst AG cooperated fully.

The government's charges involve two cases of hemolytic anemia. In one case, Hoechst AG received secondhand information that an unidentified patient had died from hemolytic anemia. Despite efforts to follow up, Hoechst AG never received detailed information on the case, including the identity of the patient or confirmation that the patient had actually received Merital. The case was transmitted to the FDA with the statement that there was "insufficient information" for a full report.

The other case involved a patient in France who used Merital to commit suicide. The patient, who had previously suffered from hemolytic anemia while taking Merital, readministered the drug against her physician's instructions. She became ill and misled doctors about the fact that she had taken the drug again in order to commit suicide. The first hemolytic anemia event in this patient was reported to the FDA, and Hoechst AG considered the fact of the suicide non-reportable.

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Hoechst.

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LAFAYETTE HILL, PA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Home Unity Savings Bank PaSA (NASDAQ: HUSB) said today it received notice from the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) concerning certain operating limitations.

Those limitations affect, among other things, the types and size of residential, construction and consumer loans and borrowings and investments which Home Unity may make without obtaining the OTS's prior written approval. In addition, Home Unity may not, among other things, make commercial loans, issue letters of credit or accept any uninsured deposits. Home Unity said it has requested reconsideration of certain of these limitations.

Home Unity continues to make conventional first and second mortgage residential loans and commercial real estate loans of up to $250,000, home equity loans of up to $50,000, secured consumer loans of up to $25,000 and unsecured consumer loans of up to $5,000. In addition, Home Unity will honor existing legally binding commitments.

Home Unity has not yet been able to obtain its necessary capital infusion in the current market. The OTS has therefore indicated that it intends to withdraw its approval of Home Unity's capital restoration plan and capital exemption. However, Home Unity may promptly submit a revised capital restoration plan acceptable to the OTS. The OTS will consider any such submission before deciding finally whether to withdraw its approval of Home Unity's capital restoration plan and capital exemption.

Michael C. Rush, Home Unity's president and chief executive officer, stated: "The OTS has afforded us the flexibility we need to continue to run our day-to-day operations. The limitations which have been imposed are due to our capital deficiency, and not to any problem with our current business activities. Our business plan has for some time been focused primarily on adjustable rate residential first mortgage lending and a small amount of conservatively underwritten consumer lending. Based on that conservative business plan, we have reported profits in each of the past four quarters. We believe that we can continue to be profitable in light of the operating flexibility we have been granted.

"We continue to attempt to obtain our necessary capital infusion in this difficult market. We believe that our record of core operating profits and the consistent improvements in our operating trends over the last several quarters provide the basis for such an infusion."

Home Unity's common stock is traded in the Over-the-Counter market.

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RESTON, VA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The latest version of the Rolls-Royce Turbomeca Adour engine has won more business with Malaysia's decision to buy 28 Hawk aircraft from British Aerospace.

This nearly $800 million contract was signed in Kuala Lumpur yesterday within the framework of a 1988 memorandum of understanding between the British and Malaysian governments covering defense equipment procurement and related service calls for the supply between 1993 and 1995 of a mix of Hawk 100 two-seat trainers and Hawk 200 fighters -- all powered by the Adour Mk871, the latest version of the engine model that was launched in the Anglo-French Jaguar in 1972.

It covers the aircraft, related equipment, ammunition, training packages and technical services. Rolls-Royce's share of initial contracts for installed and supporting hardware approaches $100 million.

The Royal Malaysian Air Force has ordered 10 of the Hawk 100 advanced trainers and 18 Hawk 200 single-seat fighters.

Malaysian Defense Minister Datuk Najib bin Tun Razak said the Hawks will be deployed primarily in close air support, battlefield air interdiction and maritime attack roles. He added that the aircraft will also act as the lead systems trainer for future new generation fighters.

At 5,845 pounds of thrust, the Mk871 is the latest and most powerful non-afterburning Adour variant.

It was first selected by a customer in the Middle East earlier this year to power Hawk 100s. Since then, a second operator in the same territory -- the Royal Air Force of Oman -- has ordered a mix of Hawk 100s and 200s.

In all, more than 700 Adour-powered Hawks have been supplied or selected by 14 air forces, and there is more potential business for the Hawk/Adour combination worldwide.

Six nations in the Middle East and Far East have recently chosen Adour power in various versions of the Hawk, and another six countries in these regions have also displayed firm interest.

A version of the Mk871, the F405-RR-401 (also rated at 5,845 pounds of thrust) has recently undergone flight trials in the U.S. Navy's T-45A Goshawk advanced trainer.

Rolls-Royce is a world leader in the design, development and manufacture of civil and military aviation, marine and industrial gas turbine engines.

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#90346p2523 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - TCC Properties Group, Inc., a national real estate management and development company, and Robert Boblett Associates, Inc., specialists in real estate brokerage, valuation and consulting, announced today that they will merge effective Jan. 1, 1991, and begin operations as "Marquette Partners."

Headquartered in Minneapolis, both companies are nationally recognized in their fields. TCC Properties is the successor to the Center Companies, which was sold late last year by the current principals of TCC Properties.

At the time of the sale, Center Cos. had some 30 million square feet in its real estate portfolio, and was ranked as the nation's largest manager of retail properties for institutional investors.

Robert Boblett Associates, Inc. was founded in 1970. In addition to its leasing and brokerage operation, Boblett is a recognized leader in real estate appraisal and consultation services. As a shareholder in Valuation Network, Inc., the firm is positioned to provide appraisals and consulting services on a nationwide basis.

Present officers of TCC include its chairman, Michael F. Kelly; Dennis G. Gethmann, president, financial services div.; Gregory T. Karlen, president, retail properties div.; and Austin H. Evans, president, office & industrial properties div.

Principals of Boblett are Louis Frillman, James Wenthold, Harold Miller and Donald Woodward. Under Marquette Partners, Frillman will assume the title of president, real estate consulting services, and TCC Properties officers will retain their existing titles and positions.

TCC's Dennis Gethmann described the merger as "a great fit, positioning our joint operating company to take full advantage of real estate opportunities in the nineties."

Gethmann noted that the industry put billions of dollars of construction in place during the past decade, providing a ready market for firms such as Marquette Partners who can provide a full spectrum of needed services, including asset management, valuation, advisory and brokerage services on a

local, national and regional basis.

"We believe that the 90s will belong to those companies who can readily respond to those needs. Our plan is to build on the excellent business base which already exists with TCC Properties and Robert Boblett Associates.

From that base, we will develop Marquette Partners into a premier provider of specialized real estate services to corporate and institutional owners, lenders and investors."

CONTACT: Merrill Busch of Busch+Partners, (612) 872-7700, for TCC Properties and Boblett Associates; Dennis Gethmann of TCC Properties, (612) 334-3330; or Louis W. Frillman of Robert Boblett Associates, (612) 333-6515.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Representatives of the Republic of Chile and the international banking community today signed the 1990 agreement relating to maturities on Chile's commercial bank debt and the country's medium-term financing needs.

Chief debt negotiator Eduardo Aninat, who led the Chilean delegation to the signing ceremonies, said, "This agreement is consistent with the achievements shown by Chile both in its solid economic performance as well as in its orderly transition to democracy under the government of Mr. Aylwin. The country looks into the 1990s with renewed optimism."

Susan Segal, managing director, Manufacturers Hanover (NYSE: MHC) and chairman of the country's international bank advisory committee, said, "This occasion takes on added significance as a major step forward for the Chilean government toward more normal access to the financial markets." As previously announced, Chile has launched a $320 million Eurobond issue, which the country expects to sign in January, 1991. The agreement between Chile and its creditor banks:

- Extends the maturities and grace periods on principal for the 1983, 1984, and 1985 new money agreements, and the 1983-84 and 1985-91 restructuring agreements.

- Extends the retiming of interest payments, under which interest is paid once per year, on the above agreements.

- Amend the language in the country's loan agreements to increase Chile's flexibility regarding various debt repayment and debt reduction provisions.

- Extends the country's trade facility under similar terms for one year, covering credits extended during 1991.

The agreement does not affect the existing pricing provisions of the above-mentioned loan agreements. In addition, Chile has not requested changes in the amortization schedule or retiming of its World Bank cofinancing agreement.

CONTACT: John Meyers of Manufacturers Hanover, (212) 270-7454.

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ROLLING MEADOWS, IL. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. (NYSE: AJG) today announced that it has acquired Insurance Underwriters, Inc., an insurance brokerage firm located in Bellevue, Wash. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Established in 1934 as an insurance agency and incorporated in 1954, Insurance Underwriters, Inc. specializes in the negotiation and placement of property and casualty, marine and employee benefits insurance for primarily commercial accounts. They will do business under the name of Gallagher Insurance Underwriters, will continue to be located at their existing Bellevue office, and will operate, along with their 22 employees, under the direction of David West as area president.

Arthur J. Gallagher & Co., an international insurance brokerage and risk management services firm, is headquartered in Rolling Meadows, Ill.

CONTACT: Michael J. Cloherty, vice president-finance of Arthur J. Gallagher & Co., 708-640-8500

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ST. PETERSBURG, FL. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Global Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: GIM) today issued the following manager's report:

Interest rates tended to be more stable in October as slowing business activity in the U.S. seemed to counterbalance the continued uncertainty stemming from the Middle East situation. Yield curves steepened slightly mainly from a decline in short-term rates. The Federal Reserve simply followed the market decline when it lowered the Fed funds rate to 7 3/4 percent towards the end of the month, while bond yields fluctuated within an 8 3/4 percent to 9 percent band. Entry by the U.K. into the Exchange Rate Mechanism gave a boost to sterling and the Gilt market as investors began to anticipate further declines in the minimum lending rate.

Weakening economic trends in the U.S., amid signs that the inflationary effects of higher oil prices were being contained, gave the U.S. bond market a firm tone despite a growing budget deficit. At the end of the month, bond

yields were down to around 8 3/4 percent.

The Fund made several significant changes during the month. U.K. floating rate notes and the gilts were sold to realize currency profits, leaving only a small Eurosterling position. The Canadian bill position was extended to six months, while the bond position was shortened to two years from 10 years.

The Fund made modest additions to Danish government bonds, an Italian ECU issue, and high quality Norwegian mortgage bonds. In other European markets, the Fund shortened maturity in Italy and maintained its positions in Spain and France.

Profits taken in other currencies were applied to building up the U.S. dollar cash position. In addition, the Fund sold some of its longer dated U.S. bonds and bought short governments, taking a more defensive stance given the uncertainty with respect to the Middle East and inflation prospects.

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PORTLAND, ORE (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - NERCO Inc. (NYSE, Toronto: NER) today reported its oil and gas subsidiary, NERCO Oil & Gas Inc. of Vancouver, Wash., recently acquired interests in an offshore Texas oil and gas field for approximately $22 million from Adobe Resources Corp.

The interests are in the McPac Field, located in state and federal waters which includes portions of Matagorda Island Block 487 and Brazos Block 488. NERCO Oil & Gas acquired working interests ranging from approximately 38 to 40 percent. The field is currently producing approximately 40 million cubic feet of gas per day and 105 barrels of condensate daily. The field includes three active, dually completed wells, and two additional wells are planned.

Adobe, which is the majority owner of the field, is the operator. NERCO Oil & Gas currently produces 230 million cubic feet of gas per day and 7,000 barrels of oil and natural gas liquids.

"These interests include significant development and exploration potential, and complement our other gas properties in the Gulf Coast," noted Roger Markle NERCO Oil & Gas president. A development well in the Matogorda Island block is planned for December.

NERCO is a major North American producer of coal, oil, natural gas, gold and silver. Approximately 82 percent of NERCO's common stock is owned by PacifiCorp (NYSE: PPW), a diversified electric utility.

CONTACT: Robert S. Hess, 503-731-6678, or John C. Cummings, 503-731-6649, or

Richard T. O'Brien, 503-731-6732, all of NERCO Inc.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal (NYSE: UCL) reiterated today that it intends to utilize crude oil from the Point Arguello field solely as feedstock for the company's Santa Maria Refinery in Arroyo Grande.

Unocal issued the statement in response to speculation and erroneous reports that the company plans to use its pipelines to transport Port Arguello crude to Avila for shipment by tanker.

Unocal initially plans to purchase 10,000 to 15,000 barrels of crude per day from various partners in the offshore project once production begins from the Point Arguello field.

In order to transport Point Arguello crude to its refinery, Unocal must build a short pipeline between Unocal's Bell pump station and the All American Pipeline Company's Sisquoc pump station.

Unocal has submitted an application to Santa Barbara County for a permit to build the 12-inch, 6.5 mile pipeline.

"Point Arguello is an excellent source of crude to replace declining production from our own offshore operations," said Ed Scott, vice president of crude supply and transportation for Unocal. "Contrary to reports in the media we have no intention of transporting Point Arguello crude to Avila and tanker it to other destinations," added Scott.

CONTACT: Jeff Callender of Unocal Corp., 213-977-7208

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MIAMI (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines today said it flew 1.21 billion revenue passenger miles and had a 58.13 percent load factor in November. Capacity was 2.09 billion available seat miles; passenger boardings were 1.64 million.

Eastern said traffic during early November was relatively strong, reflecting wide marketplace acceptance of the airline's "corporate rates." However, in mid-November the airline experienced a sharp falloff in traffic due to the "liquidation scare" initiated by Eastern's unsecured creditors committee.

In November 1989, Eastern flew 1.28 billion revenue passenger miles, with capacity of 2.24 billion available seat miles and a 57.23 percent load factor. Passenger boardings were 1.7 million.

Eastern currently operates about 800 daily flights to more than 70 cities.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, 305-873-3773

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BARTOW, FL (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Orange-co, Inc. (NYSE: OJ) announced today that it has completed the previously announced contract to sell a 320-acre citrus grove in Okeechobee County, Fla. Net proceeds from this sale are approximately $3.3 million.

This transaction is incremental to prior sales consummated earlier encompassing about 2,760 acres. Proceeds from those transactions totaled approximately $32.6 million. All profits from these transactions will be fully sheltered by the company's tax loss carryforward position.

The company had previously reported that its balance sheet had been strengthened considerably by the grove sales and the liquidation of inventories. Outstanding short-term bank debt has been reduced from approximately $57 million earlier in the year to approximately $8 million currently.

These transactions represent a continuation of the restructuring plan announced in April by Ron Divin, Orange-co's president and chief executive officer, which encompasses the sale of approximately 22 percent of the company's Florida real estate and other assets in addition to substantial cost reductions, in order to improve its profitability, cash flow, balance sheet, and return on assets. The restructuring plan is designed to allow the company to improve the productivity of its remaining 17,600 acres of citrus groves and more effectively pursue its successful institutional beverage company business plan while minimizing activity in the volatile commodity bulk orange juice market.

CONTACT: Robert A. Peiser of Orange-co, Inc., 813-533-0551

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DALLAS (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - National Realty, L.P. (AMEX: NLP), today announced it is implementing a one-for-four reverse split of its units of limited partnership. The split will be effective Jan. 1, 1991.

As a result of the split, each unitholder will receive one new unit in exchange for every four units currently held. National Realty, L.P., will pay cash in lieu of any fractional new units which would otherwise be issuable.

The general partners of National Realty approved the reverse split to improve the ability to trade the units. Transaction costs are decreased for small unitholders and unitholders are more likely able to margin their unit purchases.

National Realty, L.P., is a national real estate investment partnership engaged in the acquisition, financing, operation, and sale of real estate and real estate assets.

CONTACT: Jean Krone Bono of National Realty, (214) 692-4800.

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VANCOUVER (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Munro, president of Grizzly Creek Resources Ltd. is pleased to announce a gold discovery in the Philippines on its Capas Gold Property in Capas, Tarlac, Republic of the Philippines.

BHP Engineering Philippines Inc. (BHPE) the subsidiary of Broken Hill Proprietary of Australia, one of the world's largest and most reputable companies has just completed its 990 foot exploratory drilling contract with Grizzly Creek Resources and West Gold Explorations, Inc. on the Capas property. Grizzly Creek holds a 40 percent equity interest in West Gold Explorations which in turn holds a 100 percent interest in Capas.

The BHPE drilling contract consisted of 4 drill holes at an average depth of 248 feet per hole, started on Nov. 5, 1990, and completed on Dec. 1, 1990, with assay results received only recently.

Results have shown sub-surface zones to be clearly anomalous for gold and follow-up work east of the target area is being planned where field mapping indicates the geological boundaries intersect. Drill holes number 1 and 3 have shown that the outerlimit of the deposit is located on the west side of the target area and that further drilling eastward would indicate much higher grades, as confirmed by the dramatic improvement between drill holes 2 and 4. Hole number 2 results show anomalous gold values to a depth of 164 feet ranging up to 0.02 oz/ton Au while hole number 4 results show gold values to a depth of 131 feet, ranging up to .084 oz/ton Au.

A gold rush in 1986 resulted in up to 2,000 gold panners active within the lease area recovering up to 129 ounces per month with some nuggets weighing between 0.23 to 0.46 ounces. The Capas gold property is associated with an epithermal style mineral deposit.

Commercial gold occurence in the general area is Benguet Corporation's Dizon Mine, a gold-rich porphyry copper deposit located about 40 Km. to the west-southwest of the Capas property. In 1989, according to Benguet Corporation's annual report, it produced some 40 million pounds of copper and

138,000 ounces of gold from 5.97 million tons of ore, averaging 0.34 percent Cu and 0.03 ounces per ton Au. Benguet is a major copper and gold producer in the Philippines and is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

Grizzly Creek Resources Ltd. would also like to announce that it does not maintain (and has not ever maintained) any contractual or business relationship whatsoever with Chase Resources Corporation.

CONTACT: Jaime M. de Sequera, Director of Grizzly Creek Resources Ltd., 604-681-3015

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CLEVELAND (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - M.A. Hanna Company (NYSE/MSE: MAH) today announced it has completed its acquisition of Synthecolor S.A. Synthecolor has annual sales of $25 million (U.S.) and is the leading producer of formulated colorants for the plastics industry in France.

Synthecolor was purchased from Perstorp AB, a diversified chemical producer based in Sweden. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Hanna is the leading producer of custom formulated colorants for the plastics industry in North America, and the Synthecolor acquisition marks Hanna's entry into the European colorants market. "Synthecolor provides Hanna with a solid foundation for expansion in the European formulated colorants industry," said Hanna Chairman Martin D. Walker.

M. A. Hanna Company is a leading international polymers company.

CONTACT: Margot Klima of M.A. Hanna Company, 216-589-4018

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VOORHEES, N.J. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Glendale Bancorporation (NASDAQ-NMS: GNBC), the holding company of Glendale National Bank of New Jersey and Glendale Bank of Pennsylvania, today declared a cash dividend of 10 cents per share to shareholders of record as of Dec. 24, 1990, with a payable date of Dec. 31.

CONTACT: Diane C. Strang, executive vice president of Glendale Bancorporation 609-346-8400

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NEWTON, MASS. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Greenery Rehabilitation Group, Inc.

(NYSE: GRG) today announced its results for the quarter and for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The comparative results for the quarters and for the years ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989 are as follows:

	Quarter Ended		12 Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Total revenues	$24,053	$22,098	$93,418	$79,714
Total expenses	23,065	19,897	87,247	73,803
Net income	$988	$2,201	$6,171	$5,911
Average shares outstanding	9,637,000	8,918,000	9,104,000	8,922,000
Net income per share	10 cents	25 cents	68 cents	66 cents

Upon making this announcement, George Ferencik, president and chief operating officer, commented on these financial results:

"During the fourth quarter, our original rehabilitation and skilled nursing facilities continued their strong financial performance, but our more recently acquired rehabilitation facilities failed to show the occupancy or margin improvements which had been expected because of payor pressures causing shorter lengths of stays. This has occurred even though our marketing efforts have produced record admissions.

"Despite this weak quarter, Greenery's net income for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990 improved to 68 cents per share from 66 cents per share in the prior year.

Greenery Group operates 12 rehabilitation and nursing care facilities located in Massachusetts, Connecticut, North Carolina, Maryland, California, Michigan, Washington state and Texas. Six of thse facilities now specialize in providing rehabilitation services to patients who have suffered traumatic brain injuries. Several of the other facilities are expected to be converted to these specialized services.

CONTACT: Gerard M. Martin, chairman, or George M. Ferencik, president, Greenery Rehabilitation Group, 617-244-4744

-30- 2200

#90346p2553 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Following a recent favorable Internal Revenue Service ruling, the board of directors of Plum Creek Timber Co., L.P. ("the Partnership") (NYSE: PCL) today announced it will merge its existing corporate manufacturing subsidiary into a newly-formed limited partnership subsidiary.

The streamlining will have no impact on the combined earnings or cash flow of

the entities, and will not affect the Partnership's cash distribution to unitholders, but will simplify the Partnership's administration, provide a single ownership focus for all employees and reduce overhead costs.

"Another benefit of this change," said David D. LeLand, president and chief executive officer, "will be that the same tax treatment that applies to the Partnership's timberland operations will also apply to Plum Creek's manufacturing operations. This will allow the company to combine for tax purposes the results of both companies which we believe will enhance the current after-tax yield on the unitholders' investment." Plum Creek further noted that if this streamlining of operations had been in effect for the last four reported quarters, the after-tax yield to most individual unitholders, based on a unit price of $20, would have increased from approximately 11.5 percent to 12.9 percent. The actual benefit to any unitholder as a result of this streamlining in 1991 and thereafter will depend upon actual financial results, cash distributions, and the price at which the units were purchased.

Master Limited Partnerships, under current law, must derive more than 90 percent of their income from qualifying sources which include natural resource businesses. The Internal Revenue Service clarified in its ruling that income from sawmilling operations constitutes qualifying income, thereby permitting Plum Creek's streamlining.

Under the reorganization, which is scheduled to take effect in January 1991, the newly formed subsidiary, Plum Creek Manufacturing, L.P., will be 98 percent owned by Plum Creek Timber Co., L.P., and 2 percent owned by Plum Creek Management Co., the Partnership's general partner, and an indirect subsidiary of Burlington Resources Inc.

Plum Creek is the second largest private timberland owner in the Pacific Northwest and one of the largest in the nation. The Partnership and its manufacturing subsidiary were formed in June 1989 to acquire, own and operate substantially all of the timber business and wood products manufacturing operations formally owned by Burlington Resources Inc.

CONTACT: Shelley Cochran of Plum Creek Timber Co., L.P., 206-467-3687

-30- 2822

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STAMFORD, CONN (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Savin Corporation (NYSE: SVB) today declared that shares of its preferred stock will be issued as the quarterly dividend on Savin's cumulative convertible Series B, C, and D preferred stocks. The dividend for the Preferred C shares owned by HCS Technology N.V. will be paid in nonvoting Preferred C shares.

Record date for the dividend will be Dec. 21, 1990; payment date will be Dec. 31, 1990. The dividend shares to be issued were calculated based upon the

following prices per share: Series B --$5.4813, Series C -- $5.6156 and Series D -- $5.75.

The dividends will be paid as follows: Preferred Stock Dividend per share B .03649 shares per Series B Preferred C .01781 shares per Series C Preferred D .00435 shares per Series D Preferred Fractional shares will be rounded up to the nearest whole share. Savin Corporation, founded in 1959, markets a full line of office copiers (color and black and white) and facsimile products through a North American network of 12 branches and more than 380 dealers. Savin introduced Liquid Toner Technology to the copier market and is the only company offering both liquid and dry technologies. Savin Corporation is approximately 55 percent owned by HCS Technology, N.V., a Netherlands- based office equipment company.

CONTACT: Alexandra Raine of Savin, 203-967-5193; or Steve Hoechster of Geltzer & Company, 212-575-1976, for Savin

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#90346p2557 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MISS. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - MidSouth Corporation (NASDAQ: MSRR) announced today, following a meeting of its board of directors, that it had engaged the investment banking firm of Gleacher & Co. and the law firm of Winthrop, Stimson, Putnam and Roberts to advise it in connection with its receipt on Dec. 3 of an unsolicited merger proposal from Illinois Central Corporation.

MidSouth Chairman Mark M. Levin reiterated that the board was continuing to review the Illinois Central offer and intended to respond in the near future once its review, including receipt of information from its professional advisors, has been completed.

CONTACT: John A. Scotto of MidSouth Corporation, 601-949-4366

-30- 873

#90346p2558 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, PA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Steve Furst, president of Hess's, today announced the appointment of Dennis Callahan to the position of senior vice president, general merchandise manager of Hess's cosmetics, accessories, shoes and all home furnishings divisions.

Dennis will oversee all buying, budgeting, merchandising, advertising and promotional functions of these divisions, which serve Hess's 75 stores in 11 states.

Dennis joined Hess's as vice president, director of stores for Hess's southern

region, the position he held prior to this appointment.

The former president of Bon Ton, York, Pa., he also held senior merchandising positions with Hechts, a division of May department stores, Washington, D.C.; Miller & Rhoads, Richmond, Va., and Pranges, Green Bay, Wis.

Dennis earned his B.A. degree from Northern Michigan University. He also served four years in the United States Air Force.

He and his wife, Diane, have four children -- ages 4, 5, 17 and 19. They will reside in the Allentown area.

CONTACT: Wayne Holben of Hess's, 215-821-5219

-30- 1253

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CINCINNATI (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Meridian Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: KITS) today announced with Jarrow-Lloyd Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Columbus, Ohio, the signing of a technology license agreement to develop and manufacture patented technology discovered at Ohio State University for the diagnosis of certain types of cancer such as leukemia.

The test, which is performed in a simple enzyme immunoassay microtiter format, is both non-invasive and non-toxic. The design of the test will permit the testing of both serum and urine for the presence of these tumor markers.

Meridian's developmental role will encompass manufacture of the various components, optimization of the test procedure and manufacturing and support in the clinical trials. When the product has received FDA approval, Meridian will continue as the manufacturer. This product, since it is a cancer marker assay, will presumably require pre-market approval (PMA) which will likely take between 18 and 24 months to complete.

Jerry L. Ruyan, president and chief operating officer, said, "We are extremely excited about this new opportunity which is a divergence from our primary presence in infectious disease and charts us squarely into a new and significantly larger business opportunity."

Lloyd Horrocks, CEO of Jarrow-Lloyd Pharmaceuticals, said, "We're pleased to have been able to attract an experienced enzyme immunoassay manufacturer to this project. Meridian brings a strong level of expertise to what will be a very important project. This has been an extremely signficant milestone for our company and now we can focus our entire energy on completing the project."

Meridian Diagnostics, Inc. develops, manufactures and markets a variety of immunodiagnostic test kits, reagents and related products for use in physicians' offices and in hospital, commercial and research laboratories.

The company pioneered one of the most successful rapid strep tests on the market, is a leader in parasite and bacterial collection, preservation and transportation systems, and has a leading market position in fungal serology testing in clinical laboratories. The company's shares are traded through NASDAQ/NMS (Symbol: KITS).

Jarrow-Lloyd Pharmaceuticals, Inc. was formed in 1989. This tumor marker project is its first major project. Its efforts are focused on human therapeutic and diagnostic products, particularly in cancer and neurological areas.

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#90346p2565 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - W.S. White Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of American Electric Power Co., Inc., (NYSE: AEP) announced today that Richard E. Disbrow, president of the company since 1979, will become president and chief executive officer effective Jan. 1, 1991. White will continue to serve as chairman of AEP and its subsidiary companies until his retirement from the company at the end of 1991.

At today's meeting of the AEP board of directors, White, who will be 64 later this month, relinquished his title as chief executive officer, and Disbrow, 60 was elected to that post. White, with AEP for 42 years, has headed the company for the last 15 years. He will continue to serve as chairman of the board's executive committee.

Disbrow has spent his entire career with AEP, after joining the system in 1954. He has extensive experience as an electric utilities executive, in engineering, operations and finance. He has served as chief administrative officer and, most recently, as chief operating officer of the American Electric Power Service Corp., the engineering and management arm of AEP.

White also announced that he would recommend the election of Disbrow as the chief executive officer of the American Electric Power Service Corp., as well as each of the eight electric utility operating companies and each of the other subsidiaries, at the board meetings of the subsidiary companies scheduled for Dec. 19. The moves would become effective Jan. 1.

In announcing the changes, White said that recently he had informed the board of his intention to retire at age 65. He said the board took today's action to provide continuity in the management of the affairs of the company at a time of great change and challenge in the electric utility business. The move also allows for an orderly transfer of executive authority prior to his

retirement at the end of next year, White said.

CONTACT: Luke M. Feck of American Electric Power, 614-223-1650

-30- 2197

#90346p2570 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Federal Bank (NYSE: SFB) will receive grants and loan subsidies totaling $273,838.88 from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis' (FHLB) Affordable Housing Program. Created by the Financial Institutions Reform Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA), this program gives a share of FHLB earnings to members to create low- and moderate-income housing.

The funds awarded to Standard Federal will be distributed to five projects:

$23,157.28 Sponsor: CORE City Neighborhoods, Inc. Features: Subsidize loans to acquire and rehabilitate nine-unit, multi-family rental property to be used as transitional housing for the homeless.

Amount: $54,903.49 Sponsor: La Casa, Goshen, Ind. Features: Subsidize loans to rehabilitate six single-family rental units for very low-income residents.

Amount: $59,960.05 Sponsor: Detroit Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc. Features: Subsidize 38 home-improvement loans for low-income, City of Detroit homeowners.

Amount: $100,000 Sponsor: Michigan Housing Trust Fund, REACH, Operation Get Down, CORE City Neighborhoods, and others.

Features: Subsidize 100 single-family home loans in Michigan and Indiana for low- to very low-income residents to pay points or closing costs.

Amount: $35,818.06 (Awarded to Standard Federal, LaSalle Federal Savings Bank and SJS Federal Savings Bank jointly).

Sponsor: Christian Outreach Rehab & Development, a non-profit housing corporation (CORD), Benton Harbor, Mich.

Features: Subsidize eight single-family home loans to low-income borrowers.

CONTACT: William R. Yaw Jr. of Standard Federal Bank, 313-643-9600, or in Michigan, 800-482-3930, or in Indiana, 800-874-3716

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#90346p2574 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLUE BELL, PA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Unisys Corp. (NYSE: UIS) said today that Hugh Lynch, a 30-year computer industry veteran, has joined the company as senior vice president of its Computer Systems Product Group.

Lynch, 56, will serve as a deputy to Cyril Yansouni, the group's president, and will assume responsibility for Unisys open systems programs.

Most recently, Lynch served as vice president and general manager for development and production of NCR's General Purpose Systems Division. Lynch has played a significant role in the information systems industry in commercializing open systems as well as in introducing open systems and industry-standard attributes to proprietary platforms. He has broad management experience encompassing product development, operations, product management and marketing.

Lynch's early career spanned a number of disciplines, including a stint in customer service at IBM and as a sales representative for Unisys predecessor Sperry Univac.

CONTACT: Marla Anderson, 215-986-4217, or Michael Stugrin, 215-986-2867, both of Unisys

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#90346p2576 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Jostens Inc. (NYSE: JOS) announced today that it will merge Wayneco, its direct merchandising business, with its largest division, the School Products Group.

Jostens acquired Wayneco in 1988. The company specializes in limited-edition products for university alumni, sororities, fraternities and other groups. Wayneco's product line includes watches, clocks, graduation and alumni rings, prints and lithographs.

"Making Wayneco part of the School Products Group creates tremendous opportunities for Jostens," said Fred Bjork, president of the School Products Group. "Wayneco will now have access to the marketing and operations resources of our group, and the School Products Group will benefit from Wayneco's direct mail and marketing expertise."

Jostens' School Products Group is the nation's leading manufacturer of clays'rings, yearbooks, school photography packages and graduation products.

Wayneco's operations will continue to be located in Exton, Pa., and will be directed by Ron Brostrom, senior vice president of sales and marketing, and Joe Diamond, senior vice president of operations and administration for Wayneco.

Jostens Inc. is a leading provider of products and services for the youth, education, sports award and recognition markets. The Fortune 500 company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "JOS" and last year reported sales of $788 million.

CONTACT: Sandy LeDuc, 612-830-3277, or Michael Minich, 612-830-8447, both of Jostens

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#90346p2580 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTWOOD, MA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Graham Miller, president and chief executive officer of LTX Corporation (NASDAQ: LTXX), announced today the appointment by the board of directors of Clyde M. Armstrong as a vice president of LTX Corporation. He is currently responsible for North America Western Region Sales, reporting to Kenneth E. Daub, vice president, sales.

Mr. Armstrong joined LTX in 1984 as marketing manager for digital systems. Prior to joining LTX, he was director of sales and service for Eaton's Semiconductor Operations Group and director of Japan Operations for Schlumberger Test Systems Group.

LTX Corporation is a leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of computer-controlled equipment for testing linear, digital and mixed- signal devices. For integrating the total production environment, from engineering through final test, LTX offers multi-platform networking and information products. Headquartered in Westwood, Mass., LTX has worldwide sales and service facilities to support its customer base.

CONTACT: R. Scott Higgins of LTX Corp., 617-329-7550

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#90346p2581 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTWOOD, MA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Graham Miller, president and chief executive officer of LTX Corporaq)ln (NASDAQ: LTXX), announced today the appointment by the board of directors of Clyde M. Armstrong as a vice president of LTX Corporation. He is currently responsible for North America Western Region Sales, reporting to Kenneth E. Daub, vice president, sales.

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#90346p2588 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

RADNOR, PA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - George H. Schmitt, president and chief executive officer of Main Line Health, today announced his resignation of that position, effective Jan. 18, 1991, to pursue additional interests in the health care field.

He has served in this capacity since 1988. Main Line Health is the parent organization comprising The Bryn Mawr Hospital, The Lankenau Hospital, Paoli Memorial Hospital and Bryn Mawr Rehabilitation Hospital. Its offices are in Radnor.

Schmitt, formerly president of Forbes Health System in Pittsburgh and a national advocate of hospital collaboration, has been at the forefront of joint efforts to develop system solutions to problems facing the health care industry. He recently termed the formation of Main Line Health in 1985 as a "daring, worthwhile experiment." The system's goals are cost containment, emphasis on highest quality patient care, and enabling physicians to join the hospitals in meeting the health needs of citizens of this area in innovative and cost-effective ways.

"We are succeeding in our obligation to bring quality to every aspect of our performance," Schmitt said. "Productivity that allows us to pass on real savings to our patients, respect for the unique dignity of each person, and attention to the stewardship of our technological and material assets, all provide a scorecard for our communities to judge that performance."

During the period of Schmitt's administration, the system has produced millions of dollars of cost savings for its hospitals' operations through joint purchasing and combined efforts in such areas as insurance, health service program development and legal services. A new Main Line Health data center established this year brings all hospital information systems under one roof.

But Schmitt said continued collaborative efforts would be needed to accomplish the goals of the system. "No magic answers can be expected to come from Washington or Harrisburg," Schmitt said. "The answer lies in a lot of hard work and sacrifice to pursue a compelling, shared vision for the future health of our communities."

CONTACT: George E. Hatzfeld of Main Line Health, 215-254-2908

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#90346p2589 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of H.J. Heinz Co. (NYSE: HNZ), at a meeting on Dec. 12, 1990, declared the quarterly dividend of:

-- 42-1/2 cents per share on the third cumulative preferred stock, $1.70 First Series, payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 26, 1990.

-- Dividend at the rate of 24 cents per share on the company's 25-cent par value common stock will be payable Jan. 10, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 26, 1990.

CONTACT: L. Michael Kelly Jr., 412-456-3840, or John E. Kennedy, 412-456-3586 both of Ketchum Public Relations; or D. Edward I. Smyth, vp-corporate affairs 412-456-5780, or Debora S. Foster, 412-456-5778, both of H.J. Heinz Co.

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#90346p2593 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The residents of the Homewood-Brushton community can look forward to affordable home ownership opportunities in the future as a result of the federal subsidy to the Homewood-Brushton Revitalization and Development Corp. (HBRDC) provided through Landmark Savings Association (AMEX: LSA), it was announced today.

Announced in the second round of Affordable Housing Program funds by the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, the subsidy will enable Landmark to provide mortgages at 6 percent interest to qualified buyers.

"We're committed to improving housing opportunities and the long-term stability of the Homewood-Brushton community," said Thomas J. Finnegan III, senior vice president and chief real estate lending officer at Landmark. "The program not only changes buildings in the community, it changes people's lives and in many instances, represents the only chance for families to obtain affordable housing." The program will provide below-market rates loans, down-payment assistance loans and direct grants for very low-income families.

Landmark's subsidy, totaling $68,000 this round, will go toward a $334,000 project to acquire and renovate seven single-family homes for very low-income families in Homewood-Brushton. Based on program and lender eligibility requirements, applicants will be required to participate in pre-purchase and post-purchase home-buying counseling. Additional supportive services, provided through the Urban League, help families become and remain self-sufficient through budget, credit and maintenance counseling.

HBRDC is a non-profit development corporation with plans to develop more than $3 million in new construction and rehabilitated housing for home ownership in the Homewood-Brushton community over the next three years.

Landmark Savings Association is a publicly owned savings association with assets of approximately $1.5 billion. It is the 171st largest thrift institution in the United States as ranked by asset size. Landmark common stock is listed on the American Stock Exchange (AMEX), trades under the symbol "LSA," and is reported in the financial press as "LdmkSv."

CONTACT: Betsy Fitzpatrick of Landmark Savings, 412-553-7709

-30- 2415

#90346p2594 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAUKEGAN, ILL. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Outboard Marine Corp. (OMC) (NYSE: OM) was recently awarded a Popular Mechanics Magazine 1991 Design and Engineering award in the Boating-Outdoors category. OMC received the award for the development of the Johnson SilverStar Series(TM) and Evinrude Spitfire Series(TM) outboard engines. The new outboards, introduced in 1990, represent the culmination of five years of research and development by OMC.

"OMC's new line of Johnson SilverStar and Evinrude Spitfire Series outboard engines offer marine consumers leading edge technology," said Joe Oldham, editor-in-chief, Popular Mechanics Magazine. "These products definitely stand out from the pack. OMC was an easy choice for us as an award recipient."

Recipients of the Popular Mechanics Design and Engineering Awards are manufacturers judged by the magazine's editors to have demonstrated commitment to leadership in their industries through the development of innovative and technologically advanced products. To be considered for the 1991 award, the products were to have been brought to market within the 1990 model year.

"We are extremely proud to be recognized by Popular Mechanics as a manufacturer that stands head and shoulders above the rest," said James C. Chapman, OMC president and chief executive officer. "OMC has always been committed to maintaining industry leadership through technological excellence. And we feel our new outboard products are a good representation of that on-going commitment."

The Johnson SilverStar and Evinrude Spitfire Series outboards were introduced to marine consumers during the recent International Marine Trades & Exhibition Conference held in Chicago.

CONTACT: Chuck Merritt of Outboard Marine, 708-689-5422

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#90346p2595 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
GERMANTOWN, MD (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - RYMAC Mortgage Investment Corporation (AMEX: RM) today declared a 40 cent per share dividend for the fourth quarter of 1990 to be paid on Jan. 14, 1991 to stockholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

Since its formation in September 1988, RYMAC has declared nine consecutive 40 cent quarterly dividends. Representatives of management are very pleased with the outstanding performance of the portfolio, and they are encouraged that future projections indicate that dividends in this range are likely.

Management's strategy of a self-hedged portfolio of mortgage derivatives has proven itself to be effective over a wide range of interest rate movements. This strategy was implemented by the company at the time of its initial public offering.

CONTACT: Thomas Ruck of RYMAC Mortgage Investment Corporation, 703-761-2000

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#90346p2600 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
VANCOUVER, B.C. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - On Nov. 2, 1990, Royal Oak Resources Ltd., (Vancouver: ROL) purchased control of the Parmour Group of Companies which includes Giant Yellowknife Mines Ltd. and Parmorex Minerals Inc. Since taking control in early November, Royal Oak has instigated significant management changes which will result in a decrease in operating and administrative costs in Giant Yellowknife Mines and will effect a cash conservation program for Pamorex.

The following measures have been taken: 1. Royal Oak has shut down the Toronto corporate offices of the Pamour Group and has laid off 12 employees. Royal Oak and the Pamour Group have relocated their head office to 1425 West Pender Street in Vancouver. The existing Royal Oak management team will now manage the companies. This will save the group approximately $1.5 million per year in administrative costs.

2. The Tailings Retreatment Project (TRP) in Yellowknife has been indefinitely shut down. As a result, the 28 TRP staff and hourly employees in Yellowknife have been permanently laid off. A study will be undertaken over the next three months to determine if the TRP Project can be operated profitably.

3. At the Yellowknife mine, 9 staff and hourly employees have been laid off from the underground operations. This staff reduction continues an earlier program which started in 1989. The operating personnel in Yellowknife now totals 312 vs. 351 earlier in 1990.

4. At the Timmins division, 48 hourly and staff employees have been laid off. Included in this group are narrow vein miners, maintenance personnel and drillers. This large personnel reduction is a result of the shut down of much

of the uneconomic narrow vein mining at the Pamour No. 1 mine. This will result in lowering the overall cost of production in Timmins. Any lost production will be replaced by increasing the tonnage mined from the Hoyle deposit. The operating personnel in Timmins now totals 309 vs 357 earlier in 1990.

5. Pamorex's geological staff has been severely cut as a result of the newly instigated cash conservation program. To date, 18 exploration geologists have been laid off in Timmins and Yellowknife, and 6 geologists and clerical staff have been laid off from the Reno, Nev., office. The Reno office will be closed effective Dec. 31, 1990. A detailed assessment is currently underway on all Pamorex properties to assess exploration priorities and budgeting. The layoff of the Pamorex exploration geologists will not affect grade control or underground mine development at the Timmons or Yellowknife divisions. Pamorex currently has approximately $4.0 million in its Treasury.

Giant Yellowknife Mines is projected to produce 195,000 ounces of gold in 1990 at an average cash production cost of $360 US/ounce. Cost reductions will result in a first quarter 1991 production of 45,879 ounces at an average cash cost per ounce of $324 US/ounce. Giant Yellowknife mines has 33,600 ounces sold forward for delivery in the 1st quarter of 1991 at an average cost of $460 US/ounce.

Royal Oak and the Pamour Group of companies are moving forward with plans for an amalgamation of Royal Oak Resources, Giant Yellowknife Mines, Pamour, Pamorex Minerals and Akaitcho Yellowknife Gold Mines.

CONTACT: Steve Manz, Royal Oak Resources Ltd., 604-682-8320 or in Europe, James B. Clubb, Clubb Associates, International Investor Relations, London England, 071 490-5558.

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#90346p2603 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Digital Corporation (AMEX: WDC) today announced a restructuring plan that will result in the company taking a significant charge for its second quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990. The major elements of the plan relate to the company's decision to accelerate a product transition, from certain stand-alone board products to its newest family of integrated semiconductor devices and intelligent disk drives.

The restructuring actions, which will result in pre-tax charges in the range of $60 million to $70 million, are expected to be primarily non-cash in nature.

The actions include:
--restructuring of the company's board manufacturing operations, including the closing of its plant in Puerto Rico; and
--realigning the company's distribution channels with a greater

emphasis on serving original equipment manufacturers while streamlining its reseller structure to increase profitability in that channel.

As a result of these actions, the company will write down the assets related to certain older product lines, principally stand- alone storage and video controllers. The company also indicated that it would continue to focus on aggressively reducing its operating expenses.

The company has reviewed the nature and extent of the charges with its financing institutions, and is working with them to amend agreements containing covenants that will not be met when the restructuring charges are taken. Based upon discussions with these institutions, the company believes that such amendments will be obtained.

Western Digital Corp., headquartered in Irvine, is a multinational company that designs, develops, manufactures and markets semiconductors, subsystems and intelligent disk drives to original equipment manufacturers and resellers which serve the microcomputer industry.

CONTACT: Robert J. Blair of Western Digital Corp., 714-932-7834

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#90346p2606 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Enron Oil & Gas Co.'s (NYSE: EOG) board of directors today declared a regular fourth-quarter dividend of 5 cents per share on the company's common stock, payable Jan. 31, 1991, to stockholders of record as of Jan. 15, 1991. The indicated annual rate is 20 cents.

Enron Oil & Gas Co. is one of the largest independent (non-integrated) oil and gas companies in the United States in terms of domestic proved reserves. The company's reserve base is 91 percent domestic and 91 percent natural gas. Enron Oil & Gas is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and is traded under the ticker symbol EOG.

CONTACT: Diane Bazelides of Enron Corp., 713-853-6285, for Enron Oil & Gas Co.

-30- 871

#90346p2608 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir fleet service employees have voted against representation by the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, according to results of a mail ballot election tabulated today by the National Mediation Board (NMB).

"We are pleased with the show of confidence in the company and its future by this very important group of employees," said USAir President Seth E.

Schofield.

Of 7,236 employees eligible to vote in the election, only 2,475, or fewer than 35 percent, cast ballots in favor of IBT representation. Under NMB rules, a simple majority of 50 percent plus one of eligible voters must vote for representation before a union will be certified.

The election was ordered as a result of USAir's Aug. 5, 1989, merger with Piedmont Aviation, which added over 4,000 previously non-union employees to USAir's fleet service classification. The IBT was previously certified to represent the approximately 4,000 fleet service agents employed by USAir before the Piedmont merger. Approximately 2,000 of those employees -- at Boston, Buffalo, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh -- have been represented by the IBT since 1980.

The union's failure to gain a majority vote means the IBT will no longer represent any USAir employees once the NMB issues a decertification order.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, 703-418-5100 or 213-417-1294 (Western Region)

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#90346p2609 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANDOVER, MD (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert M. Haft, president of Crown Books Corporation (NASDAQ: CRWN), today announced net income for the three-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, was $1,284,000 or $.25 per share compared with $1,264,000 or $.24 per share for the same period one year ago. Net income for the nine-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, was $4,797,000 or $.92 per share compared with $4,115,000 or $.79 per share for the same period one year ago.

Sales for the quarter increased 12.1 percent to $48,745,000 from $43,488,000 and 11.2 percent to $142,346,000 from $128,029,000 for the nine months. For stores open more than one year, sales increased 7.0 percent and 4.8 percent for the three months and nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Sales for the five weeks ended Dec. 8, 1990, increased 1 percent and for stores open more than one year sales as a percentage were flat.

During the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, Crown recognized a pre-tax gain from the disposition of its shares in Bookstop, Inc., less certain expenses, of $1,829,000 and recorded the gain as an unusual item.

Crown currently operates 259 book stores in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area; California; Houston, Texas; Chicago, Ill.; and Seattle, Wash., compared with 253 stores in operation one year ago.

CONTACT: Stanley E. Rubenstein of Rubenstein, Wolfson & Co., 212-661-4343,

for Crown Books

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#90346p2610 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
LANDOVER, MD. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Herbert H. Haft, chairman of Trak Auto Corporation (NASDAQ: TRKA), today announced net income for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990 increased to $665,000 or $.12 per share compared with $491,000 or $.08 per share for the same period last year and sales increased 3.9 percent to $75,822,000 from $72,969,000. Net income for the nine-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990 increased to $2,723,000 or $.47 per share compared to $1,629,000 or $.28 per share in the same period one year ago, while sales increased 8.9 percent to $219,630,000 from $201,660,000 for the same period last year. These increases were primarily due to ten net new stores for the three months and 23 net new stores for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 and to a 2.4 percent increase in sales for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 for stores open more than one year. For stores open more than one year, sales decreased 3.3 percent for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Trak Auto Corporation currently operates 331 discount auto parts stores in the Washington; Baltimore; Richmond, Va.; Chicago; San Diego and Los Angeles metropolitan areas compared with 305 stores in operation one year ago.

CONTACT: Stanley E. Rubenstein of Rubenstein, Wolfson & Co., 212-661-4343, for Trak Auto

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#90346p2615 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - A regular quarterly dividend of 16.5 cents per common share was declared today by the board of directors of Super Valu Stores, Inc. (NYSE: SVU). The dividend is payable on March 15, 1991, to stockholders of record on March 1, 1991. There are currently 75,194,587 shares outstanding.

CONTACT: Lisa Lee of Super Valu, 612-828-4007

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#90346p2618 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
MORRIS TOWNSHIP, N.J., (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Douglas Aircraft Company Division of McDonnell Douglas Corporation (NYSE: MD) has selected the Bendix Electric Power Division, a unit of Allied-Signal Aerospace, as sole-source supplier for the main power system aboard its MD-90 family of commercial airliners, it was announced today by Allied- Signal.

The MD-90 family represents the latest generation of McDonnell Douglas twin jet commercial aircraft. The first delivery is scheduled for 1994.

The Bendix Electric Power system uses solid state electronic technology to create a constant frequency alternating current (AC) from a wide range of generator speeds on the aircraft. The solid-state variable speed constant frequency (VSCF) power system represents a technological shift away from the hydro-mechanical systems now used in a majority of commercial airliners. Hydro-mechanical systems utilize gears and fluids to accomplish the job done by advanced electronics in the newer design.

The division's successful "split package" design has two main electric power generators located in the rear engine compartments of the MD-90, and two solid state power converters located in the nose section of the aircraft.

While the division's VSCF technology has been used for years on military and civilian aircraft, selection by Douglas Aircraft marks the introduction of this proven technology into McDonnell Douglas commercial airline products. The division has been supporting VSCF research and development for over 30 years, and received its first VSCF patent in 1962.

The Bendix Electric Power Division, with headquarters in Eatontown, N.J., is a unit of Allied-Signal Inc. (NYSE: ALD), an advanced technology company with businesses in aerospace, automotive products and engineered materials.

CONTACT: Richard Smullen of Allied-Signal, 201-389-7766

-30- 2067

#90346p2622 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANANDAIGUA, N.Y. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Canandaigua Wine Company, Inc. (AMEX: CDG.A., CDG.B), announced today that on Dec. 12, 1990, it purchased 250,000 shares of its Class A common stock at $10.50 per share. This purchase was made in response to a solicitation on behalf of the seller acting through a single investment banking firm. The company believes that this purchase is an appropriate investment for the company at this time. As previously announced, the company does not have a present plan or proposal relating either to the disposition of the shares purchased or the purchase of additional shares or debentures.

CONTACT: Robert Sands of Canandaigua Wine, 716-394-7900

-30- 869

#90346p2624 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST PALM BEACH, FLA. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Steego Corporation (NYSE: STG) today reported the company's operating results for the second quarter and first six months of fiscal 1991.

The loss from continuing operations for the first half of fiscal 1991,

reflecting a $4.1 million improvement over the comparable period in fiscal 1990, amounted to $298,000 ($.03 per share). The comparative improvement in the loss for fiscal 1991 is attributable to a reduction in personnel expenses, primarily severance expense, of $725,000; a reduction in professional fees of $208,000; a reduction of interest expense on senior debt and short-term credit facilities of $245,000 and $527,000, respectively, resulting from repayment of such debt in fiscal 1990 using proceeds from dispositions; and interest earned of $2.3 million in fiscal 1991 on the invested proceeds of dispositions.

Results of discontinued operations for the first half of fiscal 1991 reflect a $392,000 loss (in excess of previously recorded phase-out accrual) on the sale of the company's industrial supplies business, consummated on Nov. 15, 1990. Income from discontinued operations for the first half of fiscal 1990 reflects operating income of $3.4 million from replacement parts businesses prior to their disposition; a gain of $8.3 million on the sale of the company's agri-equipment replacement parts business; a recognized loss of $2.7 million on the sale of the company's U.S. automotive replacement parts business; a net charge of $998,000 for additional losses during the phase-out period relative to non-replacement parts businesses; and income taxes provided of $1.1 million.

The net loss for the first half of fiscal 1991 amounted to $690,000 ($.06 per share) as compared to net income of $2.3 million ($.20 per share) for the same period last year.

STEEGO CORPORATION
Consolidated Results of Operations
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Second quarter		Six months	
Oct. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
G&A expenses	$333,000	$748,000	$599,000	$1,656,000
Interest expense	986,000	1,365,000	1,972,000	2,757,000
Interest income	1,119,000	13,000	2,273,000	13,000
(Loss) before taxes on income	(200,000)	(2,100,000)	(298,000)	(4,400,000)
(Benefit) for taxes on income	--	(5,000)	--	--
(Loss) from continuing opers.	(200,000)	(2,095,000)	(298,000)	(4,400,000)
Income (loss) from discont. operations, net	(392,000)	4,539,000	(392,000)	6,740,000
Net income (loss)	(592,000)	2,444,000	(690,000)	2,340,000
Earnings (loss) per common share:				
(Loss) from continuing opers.	$(.02)	$(.18)	$(.03)	$(.38)
Income (loss) from discont. opers.	(.03)	.39	(.03)	.58

Net income (loss)	(.05)	.21	(.06)	.20
Average common shares outstg.	11,493,000	11,492,000	11,493,000	11,492,000

NOTES: -- In fiscal 1990, the company effectively ceased its continuing business operations with the sale of its replacement parts businesses. Such businesses sold were: the U.S. agri-equipment replacement parts business which was sold on Oct. 19, 1989, for $17.2 million; the U.S. automotive replacement parts business which was sold on Nov. 10, 1989, for $27.2 million; and the Canadian automotive replacement parts business which was sold on March 15, 1990, for $27.4 million. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, the operating results of discontinued operations have been segregated from continuing operations and reported as a separate component of income. Accordingly, the operating results for the second quarter and first six months of fiscal 1990 have been restated to conform with this presentation.

-- Earnings (loss) per common share are based on the weighted average number of common shares and dilutive common equivalent shares outstanding after deducting preferred stock cash dividends from net income.

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#90346p2626 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Today Exten Ventures Inc. (PHLX: EXV) announced that it has acquired all of the outstanding stock of ADC Industries Corp. from its shareholders. The shareholders of ADC Industries Corp. exchanged their shares for common stock in Exten Ventures Inc. and ADC Industries Corp. has become, as of Nov. 27, 1990, a wholly owned subsidiary of Exten.

The present shareholders of ADC have become the majority shareholders of Exten receiving 12,889,250 shares of Exten common stock or approximately 93 percent of Exten's voting securities. The board of directors of Exten will call for a shareholder vote to ratify this acquisition.

ADC Industries Corp. is a California corporation located in the City of Industry, Calif. ADC markets its products under the name of Hydro Flight. Hydro Flight was established in 1961 as a precision product machining house, specializing in complicate parts which require a high order of precision machining.

Hydro Flight's present product line consists mainly of precision fittings for storage tanks used by air, LPG, ammonia, and underground storage tank manufacturers. Hydro Flight's line off fittings are especially needed as environmental concerns and rules mandating the use of multi-wall tank require even more precision fittings.

ADC employs 25 people and services more than 162 customers worldwide. ADC Industries Corp. was profitable with approximately $1.7 million in revenue during its last fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Exten will continue its Merchant Banking activities but with special emphasis on acquiring operating subsidiaries for itself. For the present, Exten will continue to be headquartered in San Diego.

CONTACT: Sue Ellen Moore of Exten Ventures Inc., (619) 294-8001.

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#90346p2631 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Murex Clinical Technologies Corporation today announced the company has changed its name to International Murex Technologies Corporation. The name change is a requirement of the seven for one share consolidation that took place at the Canadian closing of the company's public units offering on Dec. 11, 1990. Approved at the company's April 17, 1990 annual general meeting, the name change became effective upon completion of the units offering in Canada.

The company's shares, quoted under the new name, began trading today for the first time on the American and Toronto Stock Exchanges under the symbol of MXX.WI.

International Murex Technologies Corporation is the parent company of Murex Corporation headquartered in Norcross, Ga. and Dominion Biologicals Limited of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. Murex Corporation is an international immunodiagnostics systems company focused on the development, manufacture and marketing of novel, rapid in vitro testing systems, known as the SUDS (Single Use Diagnostic System) System, that diagnose and monitor a full range of human diseases and other medical conditions, including AIDS. The single use, easy to read, rapid format SUDS tests are marketed primarily to the alternate site market which includes doctors' offices, clinics, emergency wards and hospitals. Dominion Biologicals Limited is Canada's leading developer and producer of diagnostic products utilized in blood transfusion practices. Dominion's advanced biotechnology manufacturing and research facility is dedicated to the development and production of innovative immunodiagnostic reagents and test systems.

Murex and SUDS are registered trademarks of Murex Corporation of Norcross.

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#90346p2632 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
MELBOURNE, Fla. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - At DBA Systems, Inc.'s (NASDAQ: DBAS) shareholders' meeting held today, the stockholders re-elected William C. Potter to serve as a director to the board of directors of DBA for a term of three years. The following directors, not subject to re-election, are continuing to serve their respective terms: John L. Slack, Dr. Joseph A. Boyd Amb. Robert F. Ellsworth, Howard N. Hebert, Dr. Louis W. Tordella and Dr. Lynn E. Weaver.

At a DBA board of directors meeting held yesterday, the directors authorized management to explore various alternatives to restructure DBA's outstanding convertible subordinated debentures. Management is to report back to the board of directors with any recommendations.

CONTACT: John L. Slack, chairman of the board, president and CEO of DBA Systems, Inc., 407-727-0660, ext. 2535

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#90346p2633 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. today declared the regular quarterly cash dividend on the company's cumulative convertible preferred stock.

The dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

The dividend has been prorated to 59.89 cents ($.5989) per share for the shares issued on Nov. 1, 1990, reflecting a 75-day period. In future quarters, the stated dividend rate would be 71.875 cents ($.71875) per share, reflecting an entire three months.

RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. is the indirect parent company of RJR Nabisco Inc., an international consumer products company. RJR Nabisco's major operating subsidiaries are R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., R.J. Reynolds Tobacco International Inc., Nabisco Brands Inc., and Planters LifeSavers Co.

CONTACT: Jason Wright of RJR Nabisco, 212-258-5770

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#90346p2638 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. LOUIS (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - NERCO Coal Corp. today announced it has changed the name of its West Virginia mining operations from Bright Coal Group to Vandalia Mining Corp. The change was effective Monday.

NERCO Coal Corp. acquired various coal interests near Summersville, W.V., in December 1989. The company acquired additional coal and timber interests near

these properties in October 1990.

NERCO Coal Corp., one of the 10 largest coal producers in the United States, is a wholly owned subsidiary of NERCO Inc. (NYSE, Toronto: NER) of Portland, Ore. NERCO is one of North America's largest natural resource companies, with interests in coal, oil and natural gas, and gold and silver.

CONTACT: Milton T. Jones of NERCO Coal Corp., (314) 872-2519; or Robert S. Hess of NERCO Inc., (503) 731-6678.

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#90346p2644 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELK GROVE VILLAGE, IL (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - AAR (NYSE:AIR) today announced preliminary results for the second quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990 of the company's 1991 fiscal year. These results are subject to final review.

Net sales for the period are expected to be approximately $115 million up from the prior year's $104,566,000. Net income is expected to be approximately $120,000, or 1 cent per share, vs. $6,752,000, or 42 cents per share, for the second quarter of last year. The results for the period are expected to reflect a $2.5 million operating loss at the company's Oklahoma City maintenance operation. Also, net income is anticipated to include a pretax charge of $3.3 million.

The pretax charge would include $1.9 million for costs related to planned restructuring of the major airline airframe maintenance division of the company's operation in Oklahoma City. The decision to restructure follows a weakening demand for scheduled maintenance checks for major airline aircraft which requires a large standing workforce. Without sufficient prospects for full utilization of existing resources, the company concluded that restructuring was necessary.

AAR will continue to aggressively market its capabilities for various other types of service work on major airline aircraft, as well as all levels of maintenance for regional and business aircraft. The latter businesses have typically been less subject to downturns in the marketplace.

Also included in the pretax charge is a $1 million reserve established against receivables following the recent Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing of an airline customer. The reserve is equal to approximately two thirds of the actual exposure. The balance of the charge relates to separation and severance costs incurred at other of the company's operating units as a result of cost reduction and containment actions.

Ira A. Eichner, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of AAR, said "Due to the dramatic and unanticipated increase in fuel prices and a recessionary economy, the last four months have been an extremely difficult

period in the world's airline industry. The actions we have taken further solidify our operational base and, with prospects for a decrease in fuel prices, we will be better positioned to capitalize on an improving environment."

AAR Corp. is a leading supplier of aerospace/aviation products and services. The company primarily distributes parts and equipment, performs technical services and manufactures proprietary products for the aviation industry in the United States and abroad.

CONTACT: AAR, office of the chairman, 708-439-3939.

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#90346p2652 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGTON HILLS, MI (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Michigan National Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: MNCO) voted to pay a quarterly cash dividend on the corporation's common stock of 50 cents ($.50) per share, payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Jan. 2, 1991.

Robert J. Mylod, chairman and chief executive officer, commented that, "The board of directors, in making this decision, specifically considered recent significant increases in the company's non-performing loans and assets. The board also reviewed earnings projections and the company's equity to assets ratio which is approximately 6.7 percent, in making its decision. These judgments have been made in light of a current assessment of the economy. As previously announced, non- performing assets may increase further if the economy continues to soften."

Michigan National Corp. is a diversified financial services corporation with total assets of $11.3 billion. It is a bank holding company and a savings and loan holding company.

Michigan National Corp.'s principal subsidiary, Michigan National Bank, has 200 branches throughout Michigan and operates the state's largest automated teller machine network.

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#90346p2661 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

EATONTOWN, N.J. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntrex Incorporated (NASDAQ: STRX) announced today the results for the second quarter which ended Oct. 28, 1990. The company reported revenues of $17.9 million for the three months ended Oct. 28, 1990, compared to $11.1 million for the three months ended Oct. 27, 1989. The quarter ended Oct. 28, 1990, represents the third full quarter of

operations since the company's January 1990, acquisition of the former Lanier Business Systems unit of Harris Corporation. The significant increase in revenues over the prior year is primarily due to the expanded customer base resulting from this acquisition. The company reported revenues for the three months ended July 29, 1990 of $20.7 million.

The net loss for the three months ended Oct. 28, 1990, was $2.3 million or 28 cents per share compared to $1.2 million or 16 cents per share for the three months ended Oct. 27, 1989. This loss includes $675,000 of reduced gross margin as a result of the accounting treatment for the maintenance contracts acquired through the Lanier acquisition. These contracts were recorded at net cost to complete and there is no gross margin for these acquired contracts. This accounting treatment will continue for one more quarter and will reduce gross margins by approximately $500,000 for the quarter ended Jan. 27, 1991. After January 1991, the company will not have to make this type of adjustment to reduce gross margins. Syntrex previously reported a loss of $2.3 million or 29 cents per share for the three months ended July 29, 1990.

Dan Sinnott, chairman and CEO of Syntrex, said, "The reduction in revenue from the previous quarter was primarily the result of a major reorganization and streamlining program implemented during the quarter ended Oct. 28, 1990. This program reduced the company's total headcount from 813 at the start of the quarter to 680 as of Oct. 28, 1990, a corporate-wide reduction of approximately 16 percent. This translated into a reduction in operating expenses of 13 percent from the previous quarter ended July 29, 1990. This reduction in operating expenses is expected to continue going forward as we further streamline the organization, thereby reducing our breakeven point. With the re- organization largely completed, we believe we should be in a better position to capitalize on the strong growth forecasted by industry experts for the PC-based Network System Integration business."

Sinnott went on to say, "The company's cash position at Oct. 28, 1990 was $3.8 million, and while the company was in compliance with existing loan covenants, the company's line of credit of $5 million expires on Jan. 31, 1991." Sinnott stated that, "The company is engaged in discussions regarding the replacement or renewal of its $5 million line of credit since it is not anticipated that the company will generate sufficient cash by Jan. 31, 1991, to repay the $5 million of borrowings under the line of credit. Although the company has reported operating losses, the financial restructuring program completed in September 1990, and the increase in current assets resulting from the Harris Lanier acquisition should improve the company's prospects for obtaining replacement financing."

Syntrex is a national Network System's Integrator. The company designs, implements and supports PC-based networks using Novell NetWare, Banyan VINES, and 3Com 3(plus)open network operating systems. With system engineering , service, and sales professionals in 40 cities, the company ranked as the fifth largest Network System's Integrator in 1989, according to LAN magazine.

SYNTREX INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

Periods	Three Months		Six Months	
Ended	10/28/90	10/27/89	10/28/90	10/27/89
Total revenues	$17,877,387	$11,076,570	$38,591,709	$22,185,012
Costs & expenses:				
Product sales & svc.	12,270,166	8,259,955	26,434,274	16,421,361
Development	528,678	689,087	1,004,067	1,389,206
Marketing, general & administrative	7,291,435	3,044,789	15,764,100	6,011,820
Other (inc.) exp.-net	42,853	270,772	(62,231)	519,232
Total	20,133,132	12,264,603	43,140,210	24,341,619
Net loss	(2,255,745)	(1,188,033)	(4,548,501)	(2,156,607)
Net loss per com. shr.	$(.28)	$(.16)	$(.57)	$(.29)
Wtd. aver. no. of com. shares outstanding	8,068,170	7,425,754	7,917,468	7,425,754

SYNTREX INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)

	10/28/90	10/27/89
Assets		
Cash and investments	$ 3,772,649	$ 3,119,740
Accounts receivable	18,284,051	9,023,087
Inventories	11,144,158	7,549,036
Other current assets	816,291	277,724
Total current assets	34,017,149	19,969,587
Equipment and leaseholds, net	3,139,736	3,615,141
Other assets	4,517,467	5,530,542
Total assets	41,674,352	29,115,270
Liabilities and shareholders' equity		
Current liabilities	$25,121,136	$10,141,553
Long-term obligations, less current portion	9,101,576	4,510,172
Excess of fair value of acquired net assets over cost	5,349,719	--
Shareholders' equity	2,101,921	14,463,545
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	41,674,352	29,115,270

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PITTSBURGH (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Cellular One of Pittsburgh and the Phar-Mor retail chain announced today the signing of a service agreement between the two companies.

Under the agreement, Phar-Mor will sell Cellular One's telephone service at Phar-Mor's 15 store locations in the Greater Pittsburgh metropolitan area. Phar-Mor will sell transportable and portable cellular phones which will then use the Cellular One cellular system.

"We are delighted to be able to offer the clarity and coverage of the Cellular One system to the customers of Phar-Mor," said Mark Wawrzeniak, director of retail development for Cellular One.

"The Cellular One system is designed to enhance portable cellular phones, so it is especially fitting that Phar-Mor's phones will be activated on our system. The new Phar-Mor customers will instantly appreciate one of the finest cellular systems in the nation."

Maggi McGee, Cellular development/buyer for Phar-Mor, explains that the Cellular One/Phar-Mor agreement points to the future of cellular communication.

"People may be surprised at the addition of the cellular phone product line at Phar-Mor, but it fits well into our overall marketing strategy. We are expanding to serve the broader personal and business needs of our customers. Cellular communication equipment is at the core of our effort."

McGee supports the choice of Cellular One as the exclusive service provider. "We were impressed with the scope of Cellular One's commitment to the highest quality cellular service with competitive rates, and their long-range view of cellular communications in the Tri-State area. Their philosophy of business fits well with ours, and together we will pass on a superior product value to our customers."

Phar-Mor, based in Youngstown, Ohio, began operations in Niles, Ohio, in 1982 with one store and experienced phenomenal growth over eight years to its current 237 stores in 27 states. Phar-Mor serves more than 2.9 million customers per week through its philosophy of "Power-Buying."

Cellular One in Pittsburgh, a subsidiary of McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. (NASDAQ: MCAWA), the nation's leading cellular company, provides over 7,500 square miles of cellular telephone service to Pittsburgh, Johnstown, and Erie, Pa., customers, as well as to customers in Wheeling, W.Va.

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#90346p2667 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - VICORP Restaurants, Inc. (NASDAQ: VRES) today reported its results of operation for the quarter and fiscal year ended Oct. 28, 1990, along with restated results for the quarter and year ended Oct. 29,

1989. Accounting irregularities discovered in a division, initially reported on Nov. 1, 1990, necessitated the restatement of 1989 and the first three quarters of 1990. Net income for 1990 was the highest in the company's history.

For fiscal 1990, net income rose 55 percent to $12.6 million or $1.18 per share, on revenues of $394 million, compared with restated net income of $8.1 million or 73 cents per share, on revenues of $359 million for 1989. Net income for the quarter was $3.0 million, compared with restated net income of $2.7 million for the comparable quarter one year earlier.

"We have sent a letter to our shareholders today reporting on the results and effects of our investigation of the accounting problem we discovered at our production and distribution division," said Charles R. Frederickson, chairman of the board.

"While the necessary accounting adjustments are unfortunate, they should not overshadow the improvements made during 1990. Restaurant sales for the entire year were up and profits improved significantly. With the adjustments now behind us, we anticipate continued improvement in our operations during 1991."

VICORP operates and franchises approximately 400 mid-scale family type restaurants under the names Bakers Square and Village Inn, principally in the Rocky Mountain region, upper Midwest, Florida, Arizona and California.

VICORP RESTAURANTS, INC.
Condensed Statement of Operations

Year ended	Oct. 28, 1990	Oct. 29, 1989
Revenues	$394,416,000	$359,156,000
Net income	12,577,000	8,125,000(A)
Preferred dividend requirement	1,072,000	1,106,000
Net income attributable to common stock	11,505,000	7,019,000(A)
Net income per common share	$1.18	$0.73(A)(B)
Weighted avg. shares and dilutive equivalents outstanding	9,752,000	9,575,000
Quarter ended	**Oct. 28, 1990**	**Oct. 29, 1989**
Revenues	$91,439,000	$85,310,000
Net income	2,958,000	2,710,000(A)
Preferred dividend requirement	242,000	255,000
Net income attributable to common stock	2,716,000	2,455,000(A)
Net income per common share	$0.28	$0.26(A)
Weighted avg. shares and dilutive equivalents outstanding	9,771,000	9,627,000

(A) -- Restated for accounting irregularities discovered during fiscal 1990.

(B) -- Presented on fully diluted basis.

CONTACT: Peter F. Doane, vice president and treasurer of VICORP, 303-296-2121

-30- 3278

#90346p2671 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Metropolitan Financial Corporation (NYSE: MFC) announced today that it has completed its acquisition of First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Council Bluffs, Iowa, effective Dec. 12, 1990. Shareholders of First Federal overwhelmingly approved the transaction at the company's annual meeting, held Dec. 11, 1990. They will receive 1.43 shares of Metropolitan Financial Corporation common stock for each share of First Federal common stock. The value of the transaction is $5.6 million.

First Federal of Council Bluffs reported total assets of $175.8 million and net worth of $9.4 million at June 30, 1990. The company operates eight full service branches in Southwestern Iowa, two in Council Bluffs, and one each in Red Oak, Clarinda, Glenwood, Harlan, Creston, and Missouri Valley. First Federal will be merged with Metropolitan Financial Corporation's full service consumer savings bank, Metropolitan Federal Bank, Fargo, N.D.

The transaction increases Metropolitan Federal Bank's Iowa office network to 32. The bank now operates 118 branch offices in 99 communities in North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Arizona. The bank exceeds all current and fully phased in regulatory capital requirements.

Metropolitan Financial officials noted that First Federal is a healthy, well-managed thrift institution that provides Metropolitan Federal bank a broader Iowa presence and a greater opportunity to enhance shareholder value.

Metropolitan Financial Corporation is a regional financial services holding company. In addition to its significant office presence throughout the upper Midwest, the company's savings bank subsidiary is the Twin Cities largest originator of residential mortgage loans. Metropolitan Financial Corporation also owns Edina Realty, Minnesota's largest home seller. At Sept. 30, 1990 the company reported consolidated assets of nearly $4.2 billion. Metropolitan Financial Corporation's common and preferred stock trade on the New York Stock Exchange, the common under the symbol MFC.

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-30- 2368

#90346p2674 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLUFFTON, IN (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Manville Corp. (NYSE-MVL) said today

that the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) has decided that temporary workers are not eligible to vote in an election to determine whether or not the Glass Molders, Pottery, Plastics, and Allied Workers International Union can represent the workforce at Manville's Bluffton, Ind. plant.

The NLRB also found that temporary workers do not share a "community of interest" with permanent employees.

"We are pleased with the NLRB decision supporting our belief that only full-time Manville employees should have the right to determine their destiny " said Harvey Perry, Bluffton's acting plant manager. "We fought hard to have our permanent employees' voice heard - particularly because a majority of the permanent workforce signed a petition to exclude the temporaries."

NLRB hearings were held in October. The organizing union had wanted temporaries to vote on unionization. Temporary employees were primarily used to fill production needs during the plant's start-up phase until Manville achieved a full complement of permanent employees. This was accomplished in November.

The NLRB decision did not set a date for an election. Manville's Bluffton facility manufactures molded fiber glass topliners for the automotive industry. Manville opened the facility in September 1989.

Manville Corp. is an international manufacturing and natural resources company headquartered in Denver, Colo. The company's primary businesses include building and engineered products, fiber glass and industrial insulation products, paper and wood products, packaging, roofing systems and filtration and minerals. Founded in 1858, Manville has more than 18,000 people at more than 50 plants and seven mining interests worldwide.

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-30- 2086

#90346p2681 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARAHAN, LA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Wiener Enterprises Inc. (AMEX: WPB) announced today results of operations for the third quarter ended Oct. 27.

Net sales for the 13-week period were $19,087,000, down 9.7 percent from $21,145,000 in sales for the comparable period last year. Net earnings for the period were ($1,177,000) compared to ($315,000) for the same period last year.

Lynn D. Malmstrom, chief financial officer, said, "Sales declines were the result of a combination of consumer uncertainty, slowing economic activity, and increased competition in our home improvement operations."

Wiener Enterprises Inc. currently operates 108 shoe and apparel stores in five

southern states, primarily Louisiana, and eight home improvement centers and two contractor facilities in Georgia and South Carolina.

WIENER ENTERPRISES INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS
(in thousands - except per share data)

	13-Weeks Ended		39-Weeks Ended	
	10/27/90	10/28/89	10/27/90	10/28/89
Net sales	$19,087	$21,145	$63,839	$64,610
Cost of sales	11,787	12,823	39,272	38,923
Gross profit	7,300	8,322	24,567	25,687
Selling, general and admin. expenses	8,528	8,447	24,805	25,133
Operating income (loss)	(1,228)	(125)	(238)	554
Interest expense	288	372	869	1,125
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(516)	(497)	(1,107)	(571)
Income taxes (benefits)	(339)	(182)	(185)	(209)
Net earnings (loss)	($1,177)	($315)	($922)	($362)
Net earnings (loss) per share	($0.50)	($0.13)	($0.39)	($0.15)
Dividends declared per common share	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.12

CONTACT: Lynn D. Malmstrom of Wiener Enterprises, 504-733-7055.

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#90346p2691 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to inquiries, a spokesman for Chartwell Associates, L.P. said "This is nothing more than a pathetic attempt by Avon to make us the scapegoat for its botched efforts to sell Avon Japan. Any rational observer would understand that as a 19.8 percent shareholder of Avon, we would do everything in our power to enhance value for all Avon shareholders. Indeed, since we always have, and still do, support the sale of Avon Japan, at Avon's request we even met with intermediaries, along with an Avon officer, in an effort to help facilitate a transaction.

"What we strongly object to is selling a portion of Avon Japan, because we firmly believe that shareholders would not be well served by owning a minority interest in Avon Japan.

"No one who is familiar with Avon's track record -- in announcing its desire to sell certain assets and then failing to do so -- can possibly believe this thinly veiled attempt to mask Avon management's own missteps and ill-conceived ideas.

"We are particularly mystified by Avon's petulant statement that they now will not sell Avon Japan. This kind of indecisiveness is troubling to us as

shareholders."

CONTACT: Lissa Perlman of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Chartwell.

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#90346p2695 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MT. KISCO, NY (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Trans World Airlines Inc. today announced that it had sold a partnership interest representing five million shares of USX Corporation (NYSE: X) to TWA's parent corporation at a price of $30.75 per share.

After elimination of related margin debt, TWA realized approximately $77 million in cash from the transaction, including a profit of approximately $30 million. TWA said that the proceeds of the sale would be added to TWA's general working capital and would be used for general corporate purposes. TWA retained an interest in approximately 6.8 million shares of USX.

CONTACT: Gary Duberstein of TWA, 914-242-4045.

-30- 830

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ATLANTA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - The Georgia Baptist Medical Center Governing Board has appointed Aaron J. Johnson vice president of Georgia Baptist's External Affairs department.

Johnson, commissioner of the State of Georgia Department of Medical Assistance will assume the new position Jan. 7, 1991. As Georgia Baptist vice president of External Affairs, Johnson will be responsible for the Human Resources department, and the Community Relations, Public Relations and Media Relations departments.

Serving as commissioner of the State of Georgia Department of Medical Assistance -- the state MediCa agency -- since 1983, Johnson was responsible for delivering health care services to Georgians.

Prior to serving as commissioner, Johnson was an assistant vice president at Georgia State University in Data Systems Management. While at Georgia State University, Johnson implemented numerous computer applications, written procedures and policies for the university.

Before joining the university, Johnson worked for five years as management consultant with Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co., a certified public accounting firm. He also worked for two years at Spelman College as an administrative assistant, and for five years as a teacher of mathematics in the Atlanta public school system.

A graduate of Morehouse College in Atlanta, Johnson holds a bachelor's degree in mathematics and a master of science degree in mathematics from Atlanta University.

Johnson served as national chairman of the State Medicaid Directors Association and is currently on the board of directors of the American Public Welfare Association. He is also a member of the board of trustees and the executive committee of the Alan Guttmacher Institute.

A Chicago native, Johnson has been active in the Atlanta community and served in leadership roles with several organizations including the board of directors of the National Conference of Christians and Jews (Southeast Region) the Downtwon Council of the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, the executive committee of the Grand Jurors Association of Fulton County, Community Development Planning Advisory Council of the Atlanta Regional Commission and the Research Committee of United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta.

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-30- 2518

#90346p2704 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

OKLAHOMA CITY (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - LSB Industries Inc., (AMEX: LSB) announced that its board of directors has declared the regular quarterly dividend, payable Jan. 2, 1991 on its outstanding $2.20 Series 1 Convertible Exchangeable Class C Preferred Stock of 55 cents a share and 12 percent Series B Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock of $3.00 a share. The dividends are payable to the preferred shareholders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 31, 1990. The company has issued and outstanding 771,618 shares of its $2.20 Series 1 Convertible Exchangeable Class C Preferred Stock and 20,000 shares of its 12 percent Series B Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock.

LSB is a diversified company engaged in financial services and a variety of manufacturing, engineering and marketing activities on a world wide basis.

LSB's principal business activities consist of the manufacture and sale of chemical products, commercial air conditioning products, automotive and industrial products and more recently the financial services business which was formed through two separate acquisitions in 1988.

LSB's common stock, debentures and Series 1 preferred stock are listed for trading on the American Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Tony M. Shelby of LSB Industries, 405-235-4546.

-30- 1459

#90346p2709 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODBURY, N.Y. (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Millfeld Trading Co., Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SHOE, SHOEW, SHOEZ) has agreed with the underwriter of its initial public offering in January 1990, to exchange up to 300,000 shares of Millfeld common stock for up to 600,000 Millfeld warrants currently held by the underwriter and certain of its customers. The exchange will be based on a ratio of one share of freely tradeable stock for each two warrants. The agreement contemplates the exchange will occur on or before Dec. 31, 1990.

Under the terms of the agreement the underwriter has waived all rights of first refusal in future Millfeld financings, all rights to designate a director and certain other consulting and agency fees.

In a related aspect of the transaction, the underwriter and other common stockholders representing more than a majority of unaffiliated shares, consented to the termination of the Affiliate Transactions Agreement dated Jan. 2, 1990, between Millfeld and Barry Feldstein, president of Millfeld. The termination of the Affiliate Transactions Agreement eliminates the requirement that Millfeld obtain the approval of unaffiliated shareholders prior to engaging in any transaction with an affiliate.

Feldstein stated that the agreement would enhance shareholder value in two ways. "First," he stated, "potential dilution from warrant exercise has been shrunk by up to 900,000 shares. Second," he added, "Millfeld is now in a far more flexible position with respect to future financing."

Millfeld Trading Company, Inc. designs, markets and distributes a wide variety of footwear including a product line bearing the "No Excuses" label and the recently introduced Team Sport Footwear line bearing the logos of various NFL, NHL and college sports teams.

Bright Star Footwear, Inc., a Millfeld subsidiary, designs, markets and distributes a wide variety of workboots, hiking shoes and men's leisure shoes.

The company recently concluded an agreement with Kenner Products to act as exclusive footwear licensee for Kenner's Play-Doh brand name and announced that it had been selected by Fila Athletic Footwear to supply footwear from the Far East. The company also owns Parigi, an established brand of cold weather footwear.

CONTACT: Michael Callahan, VP-finance of Millfeld Trading Company, 516-367-3711, or Tom Rose, Esq., 212-702-2200, for Millfeld Trading Company; or Warren Cavior or Tim Branton of The Cavior Organization, 212-687-6070, for Millfeld Trading Company

-30- 2722

#90346p2717 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Centocor, Inc. (NASDAQ: CNTO) today

announced that it has entered into a definitive agreement to acquire the St. Louis manufacturing and development facilities of Invitron Corporation (St. Louis, Mo.), together with related technology, at a cost of $6 million.

The assets being acquired by Centocor include a 48,000 sq. ft. mammalian cell culture manufacturing plant, built in 1986, as well as leased premises of 44,000 sq. ft. for laboratories and offices. Also included are patents, know-how and licenses to mammalian cell culture technology developed by Monsanto and Invitron. Pending approval of the transaction by Invitron's stockholders, Centocor will operate the facilities under an interim operating agreement. Approximately 65 Invitron employees are being offered immediate employment with Centocor.

"This acquisition accelerates Centocor's growth by strengthening our manufacturing base in the United States and affording us the opportunity for substantial technological synergies," said James E. Wavle, Jr., Centocor's president. "And, it immediately increases our operating flexibility. Now, we can dedicate our recently expanded facility in Leiden, Holland, to preparations for the launch of Centoxin -- our first major pharmaceutical -- while scaling up production of our earlier stage pharmaceutical products at the new facility in St. Louis."

Wavle indicated that Centocor did not intend to enter the contract manufacturing business. "Centocor has a number of promising new antibodies in early clinical trials, and the Invitron manufacturing technology is highly compatible with our own," he added. "Thus, we can move key cell lines into St. Louis very rapidly and take advantage of the expertise and capabilities of the outstanding people there.

"We have always said that Centocor intends to capitalize on the opportunities that will emerge as the shake out in biotechnology progresses. This acquisition uniquely fits Centocor's strategy. We are thoroughly delighted with the value we have been able to obtain for Centocor's stockholders," Wavle concluded.

Centocor, Inc., based in Malvern, Pa., develops, manufactures and markets diagnostic and pharmaceutical products for human health care. The company's products are base on monoclonal antibody technology and are primarily intended for use in the management of patients with infectious, cardiovascular and autoimmune disease and cancer.

CONTACT: Charles C. Cabot III of Centocor, 215-889-4456

-30- 2720

#90346p2719 12/12/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. today announced a change in the posted prices it will pay for crude oil from California and

Alaska fields. Postings were decreased by $2.00/bbl on both light crude and heavy crudes.

The change was effective Wednesday, Dec. 12, at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

for 35 API -- Cook Inlet -- $22.30
26 API -- Buena Vista -- $20.65
19 API -- Huntington Beach -- $18.55
13 API -- Kern River -- $16.00
27 API -- Long Beach -- $21.25
13 API -- Midway Sunset -- $16.00
17 API -- Wilmington -- $17.85

The gravity adjustment scale is as follows:
Above 40.0 deg. -- $0.000 per tenth degree API
34.0 to 40.0 -- $0.010 per tenth degree API
Below 34.0 -- $0.035 per tenth degree API

New prices for all fields are reflected in Chevron's California and Alaska Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-CA42. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440; or Bonnie Chaikind, 415-894-1200; both of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

-30- 1285
#90346t3600 12/12/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (DEC. 12) TASS - THE SITUATION AT MAJOR TRANSPORTATION CENTRES, RECEIVING IMPORTS FROM ABROAD, REMAINS TENSE, ACCORDING TO SOURCES AT THE KGB HEADQUARTERS AGAINST ECONOMIC SABOTAGE.

MORE THAN A MILLION TONNES OF GOODS HAVE ACCUMULATED IN SEA PORTS. SOME 7,000 RAIL CARRIAGES ARE WAITING AT BORDER RAIL STATIONS, KGB SPOKESMEN SAID.

SOLDIERS FROM THE BYELORUSSIAN MILITARY DISTRICT ARE HELPING THE BREST RAIL CENTRE TO COPE WITH INCOMING CARGOES.

SOME WHOLESALE WAREHOUSES STOCKPILE GOODS, ALLEGEDLY TO EASE THE TRANSITION TO A MARKET, AND THIS OPENS THE DOOR FOR EMBEZZLEMENT, THE KGB SAID.

THERE ARE SERIOUS DRAWBACKS IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF CIGARETTES. IN KRASNODAR, AUTHORITIES CANNOT AGREE ON THE PRICE OF IMPORTED CIGARETTES AND DO NOT SELL THEM, IT SAID.

THERE ARE NUMEROUS FACTS OF ECONOMIC CHAOS, PROMPTED BY DISRUPTED DELIVERIES OF RAW MATERIALS, FODDER AND PACKING MATERIALS.

COOPERATIVES BUY FOOD AT SUBSIDISED STATE PRICES EN MASSE, AND THEN SELL IT IN OTHER AREAS AT INFLATED PRICES, WORSENING FOOD SHORTAGES, THE KGB SAID.

THE KGB HEADQUARTERS POINTED OUT THAT CONCRETE RESULTS IN FIGHTING VIOLATIONS IN THE DISTRIBUTION SPHERE WERE REACHED IN AREAS WHERE LAW-ENFORCEMENT BODIES WERE HELPED BY THE PUBLIC, WORK COLLECTIVES AND NEWS ORGANISATIONS.

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#90346t3603 12/12/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 12) TASS - ISRAEL CONTINUES ITS FOOD AID TO THE USSR. A PLANE WITH TEN TONS OF FRUIT AND VEGETABLES ARRIVED IN MOSCOW FROM TEL AVIV TODAY.

"THEY ARE FOR MOSCOW CHILDREN," ARIE LEVIN, HEAD OF THE ISRAELI CONSULAR GROUP IN MOSCOW, TOLD TASS.

THIS IS THE THIRD FLIGHT WITH FOOD FROM ISRAEL OVER THE PAST WEEK. EARLIER, 15 TONS OF DRY MILK AND TEN TONS OF VEGETABLES AND FRUIT WERE BROUGHT TO THE SOVIET CAPITAL.

"I HOPE THAT FLIGHTS WITH FOOD AID WILL CONTINUE. MANY PEOPLE IN MY COUNTRY WANT TO HELP YOUR CITIZENS," LEVIN STRESSED.

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#90346t3608 12/12/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 12) TASS - SOVIET LAWMAKERS MET SEVERAL U.S. AND NATO MILITARY EXPERTS IN THE SOVIET COMMITTEE ON DEFENCE AND NATIONAL SECURITY TODAY TO DISCUSS THE MILITARY-POLITICAL SITUATION IN EUROPE AND THE WORLD, THE EVALUATION OF MILITARY POTENTIALS AND MILITARY-POLITICAL FORECASTS FOR VARIOUS PARTS OF THE WORLD.

SOVIET PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES TOLD SENIOR SPECIALIST AT THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY D. KIPP, NATIONAL DEFENSE UNIVERSITY STAFFER F. PETERSON AND SPECIAL AIDE TO THE NATO SECRETARY- GENERAL C. DONELLI ABOUT MILITARY REFORMS IN THE SOVIET UNION AND ARMED FORCES AND WEAPONS CUTS.

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#90346t3612 12/12/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 12) TASS - VARIOUS TYPES OF ARCHITECTURAL RESTORATION, INCLUDING WAYS TO RESTORE CITIES, ARCHITECTURAL MONUMENTS, PLANTS, COTTAGES AND CHURCHES ARE EXHIBITED AT A SHOW, WHICH OPENED IN DOWNTOWN MOSCOW TODAY.

THE EVENT WAS ORGANISED BY THE CULTURE INITIATIVE SOVIET- AMERICAN FUND AND THE BRITISH COUNCIL. EXHIBITS WERE PROVIDED BY LONDON'S ROYAL ACADEMY OF ARTS.

A SPECIAL SECTION OF THE SHOW FOCUSES ON LEGAL ASPECTS AND PAYMENT FOR

RESTORATION WORKS.

THE SHOW OFFERS AN EXCITING TOUR OF LONDON, LIVERPOOL, MANCHESTER, NOTTINGHAM AND THEIR SUBURBS AND REFLECTS BOOMING SOVIET-BRITISH CULTURAL EXCHANGES.

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#90346t3614 12/12/1990 ~ts
WARSAW (DEC. 13) TASS - SOVIET AND POLISH NEGOTIATORS ENDED TWO DAYS OF TALKS ON THE SOVIET PULL-OUT FROM POLAND HERE ON WEDNESDAY.

THE SIDES DISCUSSED THE STATIONING AND WITHDRAWAL OF SOVIET TROOPS FROM THE COUNTRY AND TRANSIT OF SOVIET TROOPS LEAVING FORMER EAST GERMANY THROUGH POLAND.

THE NEXT ROUND OF TALKS WILL BE HELD IN MOSCOW IN JANUARY.

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#90346t3615 12/12/1990 ~ts
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) TASS - U.S. PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH HAS JUST BEGUN A MEETING WITH VISITING SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE IN THE WHITE HOUSE.

BEFORE THE MEETING IN THE OVAL OFFICE, BUSH SAID: I DO NOT ANSWER JOURNALISTS' QUESTION IN THE OVAL OFFICE, IN ORDER NOT TO SET A PRECEDENT. HOWEVER, WELCOMING SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE HERE I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT I AM VERY PLEASED WITH THE CURRENT STATE OF SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

IT IS VERY GOOD THAT MINISTER SHEVARDNADZE AND SECRETARY OF STATE BAKER HELD TALKS, WHICH COVERED MANY INTERNATIONAL AND BILATERAL ISSUES. I WANT TO USE THE OCCASION TO ASK MINISTER SHEVARDNADZE TO TELL PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV THAT I AM PLEASED WITH THE STATE OF RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES.

-30- 938
#90346u0084 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 12) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

NBA

Milwaukee at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Houston at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
LA Clippers at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Dallas at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

NHL

Boston at Hartford, 7:35 p.m.
Montreal at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.
Vancouver at Edmonton, 10:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Munich, Germany - Grand Slam Cup

-30- 567
#90346u0151 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 12) UPI - The evacuation of Americans from Iraq and occupied Kuwait appears to be complete, and as many as 500 Americans have chosen to remain in the two countries, the State Department said.

A U.S.-chartered Boeing 707 with 15 foreigners and no Americans left Baghdad Tuesday, evidence that the evacuation of all American hostages is probably complete, the State Department said.

Left behind are around 500 people entitled to American passports, many of them foreign-born children in families where one of the spouses is an American citizen.

In some cases, according to the State Department, parents decided that they belonged in Iraq or Kuwait and chose to stay.

In others, Kuwaiti or Iraqi-born husbands with dual nationality could not get exit visas from the Iraqi government and their families chose to remain behind with them.

But because of the remote possibility that some Americans may still be in hiding or had not had access to the Voice of America short-wave announcements about the freedom flights, another charter will be sent to Kuwait and Baghdad on Thursday.

That final flight may carry the last of the American diplomats in the beleagured American Embassy in Kuwait, Ambassador Nathaniel Howell and four others, after which the embassy compound will be effectively closed down.

In Washington, Israeli Premier Yitzhak Shamir and President Bush discussed the Persian Gulf crisis Tuesday and Shamir said Bush agreed the crisis triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait would not be settled at Israel's expense.

''He said it several times and he said it to me now again, that there will not be any deal at the expense of Israel,'' Shamir said after the meeting.

The U.N. Security Council has postponed discussions on a resolution on the rights of Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories, but Cairo Radio said Israel opposes a proposed clause in the resolution calling for an international conference on the Middle East.

The Soviet Union and Arab states endorse the conference but the Bush administration is wary of endorsing it at this point because Bush does not want to appear to endorse any linkage of the Arab-Israeli issue to Iraq's occupation of Kuwait, the radio added.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has consistently attacked the United States and its allies for mobilizing world opinion on the Kuwait issue but not taking similar measures against Israel for the Jewish state's perceived violation of U.N. resolutions on the territories.

The official Iraqi news agency INA said Tuesday the government pardoned prisoners accused of political crimes and those who deserted their posts or went AWOL since Iraq invaded Kuwait four months ago.

One Cairo-based Western diplomat said a number of Iraqi soldiers were known to have defected to neighboring countries such as Turkey and Saudi Arabia since Saddam sent his army into oil-rich Kuwait.

The diplomat said, however, that based on experience with similar measures, Iraqis who fled were usually too afraid of execution to return home despite the pledge of a pardon.

The United States offered political asylum to Iraqi naval deserters but has not issued figures on how many, if any, took up up the offer.

''The Revolutionary Command Council has decided to pardon all fugitive Iraqis outside Iraq, to order the suspension of all legal measures against the political crimes, desertion and absence without leave,'' said INA, monitored in Cairo.

In other developments Tuesday:

- France said it will send 4,000 more troops to Saudi Arabia by Jan. 15, the U.N.-imposed deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait without the use of force. France already has about 6,000 troops with the U.S.- dominated multinational force deployed against Iraq.

- Algerian President Chedli Benjdid flew to Amman on the first leg of a tour of the Middle East that will also take him to Iraq and Saudi Arabia. The Algerian newspaper Al Shab said he would attempt to negotiate a peaceful end to the crisis.

-30- 4267
#90346u0163 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 12) UPI - Chicago Blackhawks Coach Mike Keenan says his team may not be the most talented in the NHL, but it is the hardest working.

That hard work has given the Blackhawks the best record in the league, and Tuesday night in Pittsburgh it got them a come-from-behind 4-1 victory over the Penguins. Troy Murray scored two goals, including the game-winner, to lead Chicago.

''We wanted to get back to the working effort that we've had for most of the season, and we had gotten away from it a bit,'' said Keenan, whose team is 21-10-2 and first in the Norris Division with 44 points. ''We were progressively better as the game went on, and that's a good sign.''

Chicago is 4-1-0 in its last five games.

Murray scored at 8:22 of the third period when he took a pass from Dirk Graham at the right of the crease and beat goaltender Frank Pietrangelo for a 2-1 lead. It was his second goal of the game and eighth of the season.

''We figure that, if we play 60 minutes of hard bump-and-grind work, we're going to break a lot of teams in this league, and that's exactly what happened tonight,'' said Murray.

The Blackhawks increased their lead to 3-1 on Steve Larmer's 22nd goal at 10:49 of the third period. Pietrangelo was given a misconduct and game misconduct by referee Kerry Fraser for arguing about Larmer's goal, and Chicago scored short-handed against Wendell Young at 12:54 of the third period on a goal by Mike McNeill.

''We took a lot more shots on net, and we went to the net and created opportunities that way and capitalized on them,'' said Steve Thomas, who assisted on Murray's goals. ''If we're not working hard, we're an average team out there. We don't have a lot of superstars.''

Pittsburgh took a 1-0 lead with 30 seconds left in the first period on Kevin Stevens' 18th goal. Chicago tied it 1-1 on Murray's goal at 15:51 of the second period.

The Penguins have lost five straight home games and are 0-3-1 in their last four games.

''They're the No. 1 team in the league, and for two periods it was an absolutely even game,'' said Penguins Coach Bob Johnson. ''We make the mistake and they score the goal and we lose the game. We got three two- on-ones in the first period and we can't cash them in. That's the way it's been going.''

-- AROUND THE NHL

Elsewhere, Detroit trounced Buffalo 8-3, the New York Islanders edged New Jersey 3-2, Washington beat Philadelphia 4-1, Calgary nipped Minnesota 5-4, Winnipeg tied St. Louis 3-3 and the New York Rangers topped Los Angeles 6-4.

Capitals 4, Flyers 1

At Landover, Md., Alfie Turcotte and Dino Ciccarelli scored on breakaways and Washington held Philadelphia to a franchise-low 13 shots. The win was the Capitals' eighth in their last 11 games. The Flyers have dropped four of their last five.

Islanders 3, Devils 2

At Uniondale, N.Y., Ray Ferraro scored his second goal of the game with 42 seconds remaining, helping New York end a seven-game winless streak. The victory improved the Islanders' record over New Jersey at Nassau Coliseum to 39-3-6.

Red Wings 8, Sabres 3

At Detroit, Steve Yzerman scored two goals and added three assists and John Chabot added a pair of goals to power the Wings. Yzerman has four goals and five assists in his last four games since going without a goal for eight games.

Blues 3, Jets 3

At St. Louis, Phil Sykes scored his second goal at 3:30 of the third period to help Winnipeg, 1-5-5 in its last 11 games, forge the tie. Sykes planted himself in front of the net and lifted the puck under the crossbar for the tying goal.

Flames 5, North Stars 4

At Bloomington, Minn., Bob Reichel scored twice and Al MacInnis had a goal and two assists to lead Calgary. The Flames remained unbeaten in their last six road games (4-0-2) and improved their Symthe Division- leading record to 18-10-4.

Rangers 6, Kings 4

At Inglewood, Calif., Troy Mallette struck for two goals and Bernie Nicholls added two assists against his former team as New York built a 6-0 lead after two periods en route to snapping a three-game losing streak. The Kings are winless in their last seven games (0-3-4).

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#90346u0190 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 12) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

MIAMI (90)

Long 2-4 0-0 4, Thompson 1-5 2-6 4, Seikaly 4-9 6-8 14, Douglas 6-11 2-2 14, Rice 3-11 3-4 9, Edwards 7-16 1-2 15, Davis 0-0 1-2 1, Burton 5-8 5-6 15, Coles 3-7 2-2 9, Kessler 0-1 2-2 2, Askins 1-3 1-2 3. Totals 32-75 25-36 90.

NEW YORK (109)

Mustaf 5-8 1-4 11, Oakley 0-6 5-6 5, Ewing 12-18 5-5 29, Cheeks 2-5 0-0 4, G. Wilkins 7-13 4-5 18, Starks 7-12 5-9 22, Jackson 1-1 2-2 4, E. Wilkins 5-8 1-2 11, Quinnett 2-4 0-0 4, Gray 0-4 1-1 1. Totals 41-79 24-34 109.

Miami	19	10	30	31- 90
New York	26	29	27	27-109

Three-point goals-Coles; Starks 3. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Miami 30, New York 24. Rebounds-Miami 34 (Long 7), New York 39 (Oakley 11). Assists-Miami 20 (Coles 5), New York 30 (G.Wilkins 9). Technicals-Miami (illegal defense 2); New York (illegal defense 2). A-13,927.

PHILADELPHIA (119)

Barkley 8-17 12-16 28, Mahorn 5-12 8-8 18, Gminski 2-5 2-2 6, Green 3-9 2-2 8, Hawkins 8-16 6-9 27, Bol 2-2 0-0 4, R.Anderson 9-16 2-2 20, Turner 2-4 4-5 8, Payne 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-81 36-44 119.

ORLANDO (114)

Scott 11-26 2-2 29, Catledge 7-17 6-8 20, Kite 1-2 0-0 2, Skiles 8-16 2-3 17, Acres 5-7 2-4 12, Anderson 4-8 0-0 8, Ansley 2-5 0-0 4, Reynolds 0-2 2-2 2, Wiley 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 45-98 16-22 114.

Philadelphia	29	34	26	30-119
Orlando	29	22	29	34-114

Three-point goals-Hawkins 5; Scott 5, Skiles 2, Smith. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Philadelphia 19, Orlando 30. Rebounds-Philadelphia 39 (Barkley 9), Orlando 50 (Catledge 11). Assists- Philadelphia 25 (Hawkins, Barkley 6), Orlando 23 (Skiles 10). Technicals-Mahorn; Catledge. A-15,077.

SAN ANTONIO (95)

Cummings 3-7 0-0 7, Elliott 6-14 0-2 13, Robinson 8-22 11-12 27, Anderson 2-8

4-5 8, Strickland 7-15 2-2 16, Greenwood 6-7 0-0 12, Williams 4-6 0-0 9, Myers 1-3 1-1 3, Schintzius 0-1 0-0 0, Massenburg 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-83 18-22 95.

DETROIT (86)

Rodman 1-5 1-2 3, Edwards 4-11 3-4 11, Laimbeer 4-6 0-0 11, Dumars 6-14 7-9 19, Thomas 4-12 7-10 16, Salley 6-7 3-4 15, Aguirre 4-14 0-0 8, Johnson 0-3 3-6 3, Blanks 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 29-72 24-35 86.

San Antonio	26	24	20	25--95
Detroit	22	25	15	24--86

Three-point goals-Cummings, Elliott, Williams; Laimbeer 3, Thomas. Fouled out-Williams; Thomas. Total fouls-San Antonio 30, Detroit 22. Rebounds-San Antonio 48 (Robinson 16), Detroit 37 (Rodman 9). Assists-San Antonio 26 (Strickland 6), Detroit 19 (Thomas 7). Technicals-Williams, San Antonio (illegal defense 2); Edwards, Laimbeer, Detroit (delay of game). A-21,454.

SACRAMENTO (90)

Simmons 5-20 1-2 11, Tisdale 12-19 4-4 28, Causwell 1-1 2-2 4, Hansen 6-12 0-0 13, Sparrow 3-6 1-1 7, Carr 1-10 1-2 3, Wood 2-4 0-0 6, Bonner 2-6 3-4 7, Wennington 3-6 3-4 9, Leckner 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 36-87 15-19 90.

PHOENIX (113)

Chambers 6-17 4-5 16, McDaniel 10-15 0-0 20, West 2-4 2-4 6, Hornacek 6-14 0-0 12, Johnson 8-14 10-12 26, Majerle 5-10 6-6 16, Rambis 3-5 0-0 6, Perry 1-4 4-6 6, Knight 0-0 0-0 0, Ceballos 1-2 3-4 5, Nealy 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-85 29-37 113.

Sacramento	18	21	28	23- 90
Phoenix	31	26	26	30-113

Three-point goals-Hansen, Wood 2. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Sacramento 28, Phoenix 19. Rebounds-Sacramento 40 (Tisdale 10), Phoenix 43 (Rambis 9). Assists-Sacramento 27 (Simmons, Sparrow 6), Phoenix 28 (Johnson 8). Technicals-Phoenix Coach Fitzsimmons. A-14,487.

GOLDEN STATE (117)

Marciulionis 3-9 1-1 7, Mullin 8-19 8-8 24, Lister 2-4 0-0 4, Hardaway 11-18 5-6 28, Richmond 11-21 6-8 28, Hill 0-4 0-0 0, Tolbert 0-4 0-0 0, Higgins 1-5 0-0 2, Peterson 0-1 0-0 0, Pritchard 3-5 4-4 10, Johnson 3-4 5-6 11, Smrek 1-2 1-2 3. Totals 43-96 30-35 117.

UTAH (135)

K.Malone 11-18 13-17 35, Edwards 1-4 0-0 2, Eaton 0-0 1-2 1, Stockton 6-14 3-4 15, J.Malone 18-24 7-8 43, Rudd 5-7 0-0 10, Brown 1-2 4-4 6, Bailey 7-8 3-3 17 Griffith 2-8 0-2 5, Toolson 0-2 0-0 0, Palmer 0-1 1-2 1, Munk 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 51-88 32-42 135.

Golden State	30	26	29	32-117
Utah	21	43	36	35-135

Three-point goals-Hardaway; Griffith. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Golden State 32, Utah 23. Rebounds-Golden State 27 (Richmond 8), Utah 57 (K.Malone 13). Assists-Golden State (Hardaway 7), Utah 36 (Stockton 21). Technicals-Golden State (illegal defense), Utah Coach Sloan 2, Utah (illegal defense). A-12,616.

INDIANA (96)

Thompson 0-4 0-0 0, Person 6-11 0-0 14, Smits 6-10 3-3 15, Fleming 3-7 1-2 7, Miller 6-10 5-6 19, McCloud 2-10 2-2 7, Schrempf 3-8 7-9 15, Sanders 3-8 2-2 8 Dreiling 1-4 2-3 4, Wittman 1-5 0-0 2, K.Williams 2-5 1-2 5. Totals 33-82 23-29 96.

PORTLAND (122)

Kersey 5-13 2-4 12, B.Williams 6-7 0-0 12, Duckworth 9-12 3-4 21, Drexler 8-14 4-6 20, Porter 3-7 2-2 9, Robinson 5-11 4-8 14, Ainge 3-8 2-2 9, Young 2-4 1-2 7, Cooper 1-4 0-0 2, Bryant 3-7 1-2 7, Abdelnaby 1-2 1-4 3, Petrovic 1-4 3-4 6. Totals 47-93 23-38 122.

Indiana	34	19	14	29- 96
Portland	33	30	29	30-122

Three-point goals-Person 2, Miller 2, McCloud, Schrempf 2; Porter, Ainge, Young 2. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Indiana 28, Portland 26. Rebounds-Indiana 37 (Thompson, Schrempf 7), Portland 51 (B. Williams 8). Assists-Indiana 20 (McCloud 4), Portland 33 (Drexler 33). Technicals- Smits, Schrempf. A-12,884.

CHICAGO (87)

Grant 5-9 2-12 12, Pippen 7-14 2-2 16, Cartwright 3-7 2-2 8, Jordan 13-23 5-7 31, Paxson 1-2 0-0 2, King 0-2 0-0 0, Hodges 1-1 0-0 2, Armstrong 3-9 1-1 7, Hopson 1-5 2-2 4, Williams 2-4 0-0 4, Levingston 0-0 1-2 1. Totals 36-76 15-21 87.

MILWAUKEE (99)

Brickowski 8-17 3-4 19, Roberts 3-7 0-0 6, Sikma 6-9 2-2 15, Humphries 8-16 5-5 21, Robertson 7-14 2-2 16, Pierce 4-9 4-4 12, Schayes 3-4 0-0 6, Lohaus 0-3 4-4 4, Grayer 0-1 0-0 0, Henson 0-1 0-0 0, Kornet 0-0 0-0. Totals 39-81 20-21 99.

Chicago 28 27 10 22-87
Milwaukee 28 25 24 22-99

Three-point goals-Sikma. Fouled out- None. Total fouls-Chicago 22, Milwaukee 20. Rebounds-Chicago 33 (Grant 9), Milwaukee 42 (Brickowski 11). Assists-Chicago 19 (Jordan 5), Milwaukee 23 (Humphries 8). Technical-Milwaukee (delay of game). A-18,633.

LA CLIPPERS (95)

Norman 13-31 5-8 31, Smith 4-9 0-8 8, Manning 6-12 3-6 15, Grant 2-8 2-2 6, Kimble 1-4 2-2 4, Vaught 5-12 1-2 11, Garland 2-8 2-4 6, Garrick 2-2 0-0 4, Bannister 0-1 0-0 0, Martin 2-5 6-6 10. Totals 37-92 21-30 95.

MINNESOTA (101)

Corbin 3-12 7-8 13, Spencer 7-10 9-11 23, Breuer 3-10 3-4 9, Campbell 12-20 6-10 30, Richardson 5-14 2-4 12, Mitchell 1-4 5-7 7, Brooks 2-5 0-0 4, West 1-2 0-0 2, Thornton 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 34-78 33-46 101.

LA Clippers 23 28 28 16- 95
Minnesota 30 21 22 28-101

Three-point goals-None. Fouled out- Corbin. Total fouls-LA Clippers 29, Minnesota 22. Rebounds-LA Clippers 55 (Manning 8), Minnesota 66 (Spencer 16). Assists-LA Clippers 30 (Grant 12), Minnesota 20 (Richardson 6). Technical-Minnesota (illegal defense). A-19,006.

WASHINGTON (125)

King 13-29 8-8 34, Grant 9-18 1-4 19, Jones 1-4 2-3 4, Workman 7-10 1-2 15, Walker 5-10 2-2 12, English 13-20 4-4 30, Ellison 1-3 1-1 3, Alarie 2- 4 0-0 4 Hammonds 1-3 2-2 4. Totals 52-101 21- 26 125.

DENVER (128)

Woolridge 13-24 7-9 33, Lane 4-8 1-2 9, Rasmussen 11-18 2-2 24, Adams 7-19 7-7 22, Lichti 4-13 2-2 11, Davis 3-9 8-8 14, Jackson 2-5 0-0 4, Cook 0-2 1-2 1, Wolf 0-3 0-0 0, Liberty 1-2 2-2 4, Johnson 2-3 2-2 6. Totals 47-106 32-36 128.

Washington 37 31 37 20--125
Denver 36 36 28 28--128

Three-point goals-Adams, Lichti. Fouled out-None. Total Fouls-Washington 27, Denver 23. Rebounds-Washington 55 (Walker 14), Denver 46 (Rasmussen 13). Assists-Washington 31 (King 8), Denver 29 (Adams 13). Technicals-Washington (delay of game). A-8,291.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - The State Department is trying to make sure that all Americans in Iraq and Kuwait who want to leave know they now have a way out.

U-S officials are using Voice of America broadcasts in an attempt to reach U-S citizens who may still be hiding. The department says it does NOT have an exact figure of the Americans who were in Iraq or the occupied oil emirate.

Police in Tennessee say motorists involved in a massive chain- reaction collision never saw the accident ahead ''until it was too late. '' At least 15 people were killed and 51 others injured in the accident involving 70 cars and trucks on Interstate 75. Officials say a blinding fog triggered the crashes.

John Gotti is facing legal trouble once again. The reputed boss of the Gambino organized crime family and three associates were arrested by F-B-I agents in New York Tuesday night. All four are charged in a sealed federal indictment. Gotti has already been tried and acquitted on racketeering charges three times.

The Tobacco Institute denies its campaign to discourage teen-agers from smoking is an effort aimed at averting tougher restrictions on tobacco. Last session, Congress narrowly defeated a bill that would have limited cigarette ads and banned cigarette sponsorship of events appealing to children.

Christian Brando will stand trial next month on a first-degree murder charge in Santa Monica, California. The son of actor Marlon Brando claims the fatal shooting of his half-sister's Tahitian lover was an accident. It's NOT clear if Christian's half-sister, Chyenne, will testify at her brother's trial.

Doctors claim a Canadian woman who took large doses of ginseng while pregnant gave birth to an unusually hairy baby. The letter published in the Journal of the American Medical Association raises further concerns about the safety of the widely available root extract.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - John Starks is a lucky man: He likes his job, and he may even get to keep it.

Starks, who was cut by San Antonio and Golden State and did time in both the CBA and WBL, scored 22 points and ignited a first-half surge Tuesday night that carried the New York Knicks to a 109-90 romp over the Miami Heat.

''I love the game of basketball,'' Starks said after he scored 9 points over an 8 1-2 minute stretch, helping the Knicks turn a 1-point deficit into a 10-point lead.

''I just come out and play hard,'' he said. ''I love the crowd. I love my teammates. I love everything about it.''

His enthusiasm rubbed off on the rest of the Knicks, who played sluggishly in their last three games, three losses under new coach John MacLeod.

''He was a big lift for us,'' said Gerald Wilkins, who scored 18 points and handed out 18 assists.

It was the Knicks' first victory under MacLeod, but Wilkins said that was not as big an issue as the way the win came.

''We went out tonight saying 'Let's blow these guys out,''' he said. ''It was a very big confidence builder for us. The win was for the whole team. We got everyone involved so they couldn't key on one person.''

That person is usually Patrick Ewing, who led the Knicks with 29 points, grabbed 10 boards and swatted away two shots. But Tuesday night rookie Jerrod Mustaf (11 points), Wilkins, Starks and Eddie Lee Wilkins (11 points) all shared the scoring burden.

The Knicks baffled the Heat for 20 consecutive points in the second quarter, when they outscored the Heat 29-10. Miami was held to its lowest first half total ever (29 points).

Miami turned the ball over 10 times and shot 21 percent from the floor.

''This had to be the all-time ugliest, sloppiest game I've ever played in,'' said Miami's Rony Seikaly, who finished with 14 points, but 12 came in the third quarter when the game was all but decided. ''Our offense deserted us, the Knicks got their game going and that's all she wrote.''

When Starks came off the bench at 5:03 of the first quarter, the Knicks were trailing 10-9. When he left at 9:07 of the second, they led 35-24.

In that time Starks had 9 points, fed Ewing for a driving slam, blocked a Kevin Edwards layup and nailed a 3-pointer.

''The coach expects me to get the team sparked and that's what I try to do when I come off the bench,'' Starks said. ''I've had to work hard for everything I've had in life. I've always played with a lot of enthusiasm and it seems hard work just pays off in the end.''

''I like what he's doing,'' MacLeod said. ''He gives you everything he has to the point where he fires everything he has and then he reloads. He's that type of player.''

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Elsewhere in the NBA Tuesday night, Portland routed Indiana 122-96, Utah pounded Golden State 135-117, Phoenix romped past Sacramento 113- 90, Denver outshot Washington 128-125, Minnesota outlasted the LA Clippers 101-95, Milwaukee held off Chicago 99-87, Philadelphia edged Orlando 119-114, and San

Antonio handled Detroit 95-86.

Blazers 122, Pacers 96

At Portland, Ore., Kevin Duckworth scored 21 points and Clyde Drexler added 20 including 11 in the third quarter, helping the Trail Blazers run their record to 19-1. The Blazers are now within four victories of the best start in NBA history, an honor that belongs to the 1969-70 New York Knicks, who went 23-1.

Jazz 135, Warriors 117

At Salt Lake City, Jeff Malone scored a season-high 43 points and hit 12 of 13 field goal attempts in the second half, Karl Malone scored 35 points and pulled down 13 rebounds and John Stockton scored 15 and dished out 21 assists. The Warriors were led by Tim Hardaway and Mitch Richmond combined for 56 points.

Suns 113, Kings 90

At Phoenix, Kevin Johnson scored 26 points and Xavier McDaniel, making his home debut in a Suns uniform, added 20 to lead Phoenix to its third straight win. Wayman Tisdale led Sacramento with 28.

Nuggets 128, Bullets 125

At Denver, Orlando Woolridge scored 33 points, Blair Rasmussen had 24 and grabbed 13 rebounds and Michael Adams dished out 13 assists, leading the Nuggets to their second straight win. Bernard King had 34 points in the Bullets' third consecutive defeat.

Timberwolves 101, Clippers 95

At Minneapolis, Minn., Felton Spencer scored 23 points, grabbed 16 rebounds and blocked six shots to lead the Timberwolves, who rallied from an 86-77 deficit in the final nine minutes and won without scoring a field goal in the last 3:49.

Bucks 99, Bulls 87

At Milwaukee, Jay Humphries scored 21 points and Frank Brickowski added a season-high 19 to help the Bucks take sole possession of first place in the Central Division. The victory was Milwaukee's 11th straight at home to start the season, breaking the club record of 10 in a row set in 1984-85.

76ers 119, Magic 114

At Orlando, Fla., Rick Mahorn highlighted his 9-point fourth quarter with a 3-point play that ended a Philadelphia drought and led the Sixers to their

fourth straight win. Charles Barkley scored 28 points and Hersey Hawkins added 27 for the 76ers, but the pair combined for just 8 points in the final period.

Spurs 95, Pistons 86

At Auburn Hills, Mich., David Robinson scored 27 points and pulled down 16 rebounds to send Detroit to its first home loss and its fifth loss in its last six games overall. Joe Dumars led the Pistons, who shot only 41 percent from the field, with 19 points.

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MANILA, Philippines (DEC. 12) UPI - The military announced Wednesday the capture of an army major and the dismissal of 224 soldiers in connection with a separatist revolt mounted by President Corazon Aquino's former security officer last October.

Maj. William Dormitorio surrendered to the southern command in Mindanao island 500 miles south of Manila, on Nov. 29 and was presented to reporters at the army headquarters Wednesday.

Brig. Gen. George Moleta said Dormitorio attempted to gather troops in Iligan city to reinforce the rebellion in nearby Cagayan de Oro city staged Oct.4 by Col. Alexander Noble, a former chief of staff in Aquino's Presidential Security Group.

Noble seized two army camps in northwestern Mindanao and declared the island an independent state. He surrendered 24 hours later after failing to receive support from other military units in the region.

Moleta said 224 soldiers involved in the Noble uprising had been discharged after an investigation by army authorities. He said 15 officers were still undergoing investigation.

Noble is detained at the armed forces headquarters while awaiting court martial proceedings.

Aquino has crushed seven military uprisings since taking power in a civilian-backed army revolt in 1986.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	16	4	.800	-
Philadelphia	14	6	.700	2
New Jersey	8	11	.421	7 1/2
New York	8	11	.421	7 1/2
Washington	6	14	.300	10
Miami	5	13	.278	10

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	15	6	.714	-
Detroit	14	7	.667	1
Chicago	12	8	.600	2 1/2
Cleveland	10	10	.500	4 1/2
Charlotte	8	11	.421	5 1/2
Atlanta	7	11	.389	6 1/2
Indiana	8	13	.381	7

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	11	5	.688	-
Utah	13	7	.650	-
Houston	11	9	.550	2
Minnesota	7	12	.368	5 1/2
Dallas	6	11	.353	5 1/2
Denver	5	15	.250	8
Orlando	5	16	.238	8 1/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	19	1	.950	-
LA Lakers	11	6	.647	6 1/2
Phoenix	11	7	.611	7
Golden State	12	8	.600	7
LA Clippers	9	10	.474	9 1/2
Seattle	5	12	.294	12 1/2
Sacramento	3	15	.167	15

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(DEC. 12) UPI - The Boston College Eagles nearly wound up with too much time on their hands Tuesday night.

Doug Able scored 18 points and Boston College held off a late Providence rally to emerge with an 80-78 victory in a game that lasted at least 57 seconds

longer than regulation time.

In the midst of an 11-3 Eagles run at the beginning of the second half, the clock malfunctioned and some 57 seconds were added back on when the clock accidently was reset while play was in process. The time went unnoticed and never was taken off.

''We had no idea of that,'' Boston College's Cory Beasley said. ''I'm glad it didn't affect us. We won, but if we didn't there might have been a controversy.''

It nearly came to that. The Friars, 6-1, made a late run to close to 78-74 in the final minute of play - when the contest should have been over.

Providence's Eric Murdock, who scored 34 points, hit two free throws with 42 seconds left, narrowing the margin to 78-76. After BC's Gerrod Abrham hit one free throw, Murdock nailed a pair of free throws with 18. 8 seconds left, cutting the score to 79-78.

David Hinton hit one free throw, but missed the second and the ball went off a BC player and the Friars took possession. A three-point attempt in the final seconds by Providence's Chris Watts - which could have been the game-winner - was stripped by BC's Howard Eisley as the clock showed 0:00, but the buzzer never went off.

''At home that buzzer's supposed to go off,'' Boston College Coach Jim O'Brien said. ''If that game would have gone on another minute or two...''

Providence got possession on the sideline and Murdock attempted a three-pointer as the buzzer sounded that fell short and was ruled to be released too late.

With the victory, Boston College matched its entire Big East win total for last season. Last year, the Eagles struggled through a horrendous 1-15 league mark.

Providence players Corey Floyd, Ken McDonald and Marvin Saddler missed the game while sitting out a mandatory one-game suspension issued by the NCAA for being ejected for fighting in Saturday's game against Rhode Island. The school added two more games to the penalty.

''We're not going to use the missing players as an excuse,'' Providence Coach Rick Barnes said. ''It's not a factor as to why we lost.''

-- AROUND THE NCAA --

At Fayetteville, Ark., No. 2 Arkansas beat South Alabama 101-91 in a game delayed more than an hour because no referees showed up to officiate the game.

Arkansas and South Alabama played during each of the last two seasons, once with a crew of officials from the Southwest Conference and once with officials from the Sun Belt Conference.

Although neither head coach was certain as to where the mix-up originated, it appeared each school felt officials from the opposing conference had been contracted to work the game.

When the problem was finally diagnosed shortly before the scheduled tipoff, the Arkansas athletic department scrambled to get a two-man crew.

Johnny Gabbard of Springdale, Ark., who has officiated junior-college games and was in the stands, volunteered his services.

An Arkansas assistant coach then called Southwest Conference official Mike Fox of Rogers, Ark., who jumped into his uniform and made the half- hour drive to Fayetteville.

Once play began an hour late, Lee Mayberry and Todd Day combined for 51 points to help Arkansas fight off an upset bid by previously unbeaten South Alabama.

In other games Tuesday night featuring Top 25 teams, No. 11 Georgia fell to Vanderbilt 75-74 in overtime, No. 14 St. John's beat Brooklyn 57-47 and No. 25 Nebraska topped Wisconsin 75-63.

At Nashville, Tenn., Steve Grant hit the first three-point field goal of his career with one second left in overtime to lift Vanderbilt over Georgia. Georgia had a five-point lead with 1:09 to play in regulation, but Vanderbilt sent the game into overtime on a three-pointer and two free throws by Kevin Anglin.

At New York, freshman Shawnelle Scott, getting a start because of the suspension of a teammate, scored 20 points to lead St. John's. Scott was starting in place of forward Billy Singleton, one of two players suspended one game for failure to adhere to the athletic department's academic regulations.

At Madison, Wis., Carl Hayes scored 21 points to lead Nebraska to their fifth straight win and third of the year over a Big Ten team.The Badgers, who lost their third in a row, played without second-leading scorer Willie Simms, held out of the game for disciplinary reasons.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

New Jersey 0 0 2-2

NY Islanders 0 2 1-3

First period-No scoring.

Penalties-Crowder, NJ, 1:12; Shanahan, NJ, 18:55; MacLean, NJ, minor-major (fighting), 18:55; Volek, NYI, major (fighting), 18:55; Norton, NYI, 18:55; Flatley, NYI, 19:05.

Second period-1, NY Islanders, Ferraro 6 (Norton, Sutter), pp, 13:18. 2, NY Islanders, LaFontaine 17 (Ferraro, Norton), pp, 19:05. Penalties-Muller, NJ, 12:41; Baumgartner, NYI, 14:21; MacLean, NJ, major (spearing)-misconduct-game misconduct- gross misconduct, 16:02; Muller, NJ, misconduct, 16:02; Sutter, NYI, 16:02; Reekie, NYI, misconduct, 16:02.

Third period-3, New Jersey, Shanahan 12 (Kasatonov, Driver), pp, 6:03. 4, New Jersey, Lemieux 13 (Stastny, Weinrich), pp, 16:12. 5, NY Islanders, Ferraro 7 (Berg, Fitzgerald), 19:18.

Penalties-Daneyko, NJ, double minor-misconduct, 1:28; Flatley, NYI, minor-misconduct 1:28; Nylund, NYI, 4:33; Driver, NJ, 7:18; LaFontaine, NYI, 7:18; Reekie, NYI, 15:01.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 7-7-12-26. NY Islanders 6-13-7-26.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 4-2. NY Islanders 6-2.

Goaltenders-New Jersey, Terreri. NY Islanders, Healy. A-11,620.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

Philadelphia 0 0 1-1
Washington 1 2 1-4

First period-1, Washington, Ridley 10 (Ciccarelli, Tatarinov), 9:43.

Penalties-Murphy, Phi, 1:00; Hunter, Was, 14:54; Samuelsson, Phi, 17:33.

Second period-2, Washington, Turcotte 1 (unassisted), 3:36. 3, Washington, Hunter 8 (Tatarinov, Hatcher), 17:18.

Penalties-Ricci, Phi, 7:32; Hunter, Was, 7:32; Hatcher, Was, 14:13; Baron, Phi 16:42.

Third period-4, Washington, Ciccarelli 3 (Johansson, Rouse), 4:05. 5, Philadelphia, Sutter 6 (Craven, Baron), 11:35.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Philadelphia 5-5-3-13. Washington 9-6-1-16.

Power-play conversions-Philadelphia 3-1. Washington 3-0.

Goaltenders-Philadelphia, Hextall. Washington, Liut. A-14,962.

Referee-Dennis Morel.

Chicago	0	1	3-4
Pittsburgh	1	0	0-1

First period-1, Pittsburgh, Stevens 18 (Taglianetti, Pietrangelo), 19:30.

Penalties-Loney, Pit, 4:52; McGill, Chi, 8:20; Murphy, Pit, 9:50; Gilbert, Chi 10:08; Cullen, Pit, 10:08.

Second period-2, Chicago, Murray 7 (Kucera, Thomas), 15:51.

Penalties-Loney, Pit, 3:04; Manson, Chi, 8:49.

Third period-3, Chicago, Murray 8 (Graham, Thomas), 8:22. 4, Chicago, Larmer 22 (Chelios), 10:49. 5, Chicago, McNeill 2 (Hudson), sh, 12:54.

Penalties-Brown, Chi, :24; Coffey, Pit, 4:36; Creighton, Chi, 5:42; Kyte, Pit, 5:42; Pietrangelo, Pit, misconduct-game misconduct, 10:49; Manson, Chi, 11:42.

Shots on goal-Chicago 10-12-17-39. Pittsburgh 7-7-8-22.

Power-play conversions-Chicago 4-0. Pittsburgh 4-0.

Goaltenders-Chicago, Belfour. Pittsburgh, Pietrangelo, Young (10:49 3rd period). A- 15,079.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

Buffalo	0	1	2-3
Detroit	1	5	2-8

First period-1, Detroit, Ysebaert 5 (Yzerman, Garpenlov), 16:56.

Penalties-Chiasson, Det, 8:18; Ledyard, Buf, 10:59; Wells, Buf, 12:43; Kennedy Buf, 14:49.

Second period-2, Detroit, Yzerman 16 (Gallant, Racine), :20. 3, Detroit, Yzerman 17 (Zombo), sh, 4:33. 4, Detroit, Chabot 3 (Barr, Primeau), 12:05. 5, Detroit, Chabot 4 (Burr, Green), 16:33. 6, Detroit, Primeau 1 (Barr, Chabot), 17:02. 7, Buffalo, Mogilny 8 (Wells, Turgeon), 19:40.

Penalties-Chiasson, Det, 3:10; Burr, Det, 4:44; Krupp, Buf, 13:46; Hartman, Buf, 17:46; Chiasson, Det, 17:46.

Third period-8, Detroit, Gallant 5 (Yzerman, Ysebart), :27. 9, Detroit, Carson 10 (Federov, Yzerman), pp, 1:31. 10, Buffalo, Vaive 10 (Andreychuck, Turgeon), pp, 11:38. 11, Buffalo, Foligno 4 (Hawerchuk, Vaive), 17:17.

Penalties-Wells, Buf, :33; Barr, Det, 2:49; Wells, Buf, 10:49; Chiasson, Det, 10:49.

Shots on goal-Buffalo 5-13-13-31. Detroit 10-13-15-38.

Power-play conversions-Buffalo 5-1. Detroit 5-1.

Goaltenders-Buffalo, Malarchuk, Wakaluk (2:58 2nd period). Detroit, Hanlon. A-19, 275.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

Calgary	2	2	1-5
Minnesota	1	0	3-4

First period-1, Calgary, Reichel 9 (Nieuwendyk, MacInnis), 6:32. 2, Calgary, Roberts 7 (Marakov), 8:53. 3, Minnesota, Gagner 14 (Modano, Broten), pp, 11:58.

Penalties-Churla, Min, 5:57; Marakov, Cgy, 6:11; Suter, Cgy, double minor 9:30; Musil, Cgy, 10:38; Johnson, Min, 14:38; Otto, Cgy, 18:46.

Second period-4, Calgary, MacInnis 14 (Suter, Fleury), pp, 13:17. 5, Calgary, Fleury 18 (Suter, Ranheim), 15:54.

Penalties-Sabourin, Cgy, 7:31; Zettler, Min, 13:04.

Third period-6, Calgary, Reichel 10 (Gilmour, MacInnis), pp, 1:15. 7, Minnesota, Modano 9 (Broten, Smail), 7:41. 8, Minnesota, Broten 6 (Smail, Modano), 8:42. 9, Minnesota, Gagner 15 (Broten, Propp), 14:41.

Penalties-DePalma, Min, 4:27; Johnson, Min, 4:27; Sabourin, Cgy, 14:07.

Shots on goal-Calgary 7-7-8-22. Minnesota 9-12-16-37.

Power-play conversions-Calgary 5-2. Minnesota 7-1.

Goaltenders-Calgary, Vernon. Minnesota, Casey. A-6,581.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Winnipeg	1	1	1	0-3

St. Louis 1 1 1 0-3

First period-1, Winnipeg, Sykes 5 (Ashton, Macdermid), 8:32. 2, St. Louis, Courtnall 11 (Hull, Stevens), 14:39.

Penalties-None.

Second period-3, St. Louis, Sutter 9 (Courtnall, Bassen), :52. 4, Winnipeg, Ashton 3 (MacDermid, Sykes), 11:30.

Penalties-MacDermid, Wpg, 13:49; Momesso, StL, minor-major (high sticking)-misconduct, 13:49; Cronin, Wpg, double minor-major (fighting), 14:13; Bassen, StL, major (fighting), 14:13; P.Cavallini, StL, 15:39; Brind'Amour, StL, 17:38.

Third period-5, Bassen, 4 (Featherstone, Courtnall), 1:57. 6, Winnipeg, Sykes 6, (Ashton, MacDermid), 3:30.

Penalties-Larose, Wpg, 4:08; Brown, StL, 5:27; MacDermid, Wpg, 18:48; Courtnall, StL, 18:48.

Overtime-No scoring.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 12-9-8-1-30. St. Louis 9-13-13-7-42.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 2-0. St. Louis 2-0.

Goaltenders-Winnipeg, Tabaracci. St. Louis, Riendeau. A-15,340.

Referee-Mick McGeough.

NY Rangers 3 3 0-6
Los Angeles 0 0 4-4

First period-1, NY Rangers, King 4 (unassisted), 1:03. 2, NY Rangers, Rochefort 1 (Nicholls, Sheppard), 7:27. 3, NY Rangers, Mallette 8 (Moller), 15:24.

Penalties-Ruff, NYR, 4:10; Ruff, NYR, 15:09; Watters, LA, 15:09; King, NYR, 16:00; Shaw, NYR, 16:00; J.Miller, LA, 16:00; Moller, NYR, 18:08; Blake, LA, 19:37.

Second period-4, NY Rangers, Mallette 9 (Sheppard), 4:29. 5, NY Rangers, Gartner 17 (Nicholls), pp, 12:42. 6, NY Rangers, Mullen 8 (unassisted), 18:14.

Penalties-Robinson, LA, 12:19; Janssens, NYR, major (fighting), 13:20; Ruff,

NYR, 13:20; Buskas, LA, major (fighting), 13:20; J.Miller, LA, double minor, 13:20.

Third period-7, Los Angeles, Taylor 7 (Donnelly, Benning), :46. 8, Los Angeles, Gretzky 18 (Granato, Jones), 11:24. 9, Los Angeles, Robitaille 15 (Elik, Taylor), 13:30. 10, Los Angeles, Gretzky 19 (Granato), 19:58.

Penalty-K.Miller, NYR, misconduct, 11:55.

Shots on goal-NY Rangers 9-10-3-22. Los Angeles 10-10-17-37.

Power-play conversions-NY Rangers 3-1. Los Angeles 3-0.

Goaltenders-NY Rangers, Richter. Los Angeles, Berthiaume, Hrudey (4:29 2nd period). A-16,005.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

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WARSAW, Poland (DEC. 12) UPI - Former presidential candidate Stanislaw Tyminski left Poland Wednesday bound for Canada after posting $100,000 bail to ensure his return following charges he insulted Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki.

A group of about 50 sympathizers said goodbye to Tyminski and his wife, Graziella, at Warsaw's Okecie Airport, chanting, ''Stay with us.''

He made no statement to the reporters before boarding the Polish Airlines LOT plane bound for for London from where he is scheduled to fly Air Canada to Toronto.

Tyminski, a businessman with Canadian and Peruvian passports who returned to Poland to run for presidency, was summoned to the prosecutor's office in the capital Tuesday.

Following a four hour hearing, he told reporters the prosecutor allowed him to go ahead with plans to fly to Toronto Wednesday.

''I paid $100,000 and three people guaranteed my return by Jan. 5,'' he said. Tyminski said his return was guaranteed by two senators and Andrzej Zoll, chairman of the election commission.

Tyminski said he received a prosecutor's summons to report to the court of Nowy Sacz, in southern Poland on Dec. 17, hours after he booked plane tickets to fly to Toronto.

On Nov. 17, in the southern mountain resort of Zakopane near Nowy Sacz, he accused Mazowiecki of ''betrayal of the nation'' on grounds Mazowiecki's economic program resulted in a 40 percent drop in the standard of living in the last 14 months.

Following his hearing, he said he did not retract his accusation and was ready to stand trial on his return.

''I cannot change the words I used,'' said Tyminski, who looked tired and whose voice was hoarse. ''I expect to stand trial.''

His Peruvian wife said she would come back with her husband.

Authorities apparently agreed to hold a hearing in Warsaw so as not to disrupt his travel plans.

Tyminski outpolled Mazowiecki in the six-way race in the first round of the presidential elections Nov. 25, but lost to Solidarity leader Lech Walesa in the runoff Sunday. He collected 25.75 percent of the vote to Walesa's 74.75 percent.

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COPENHAGEN, Denmark (DEC. 12) UPI - Denmark's four million eligible voters went to the polls Wednesday in extraordinary general elections called following last month's breakdown in negotiations on a national finance package.

At stake in the 13-party elections were the 179 seats of the unicameral Folketing, or parliament, in which a total of eight parties were represented up to Wednesday.

''I intend to remain prime minister at the head of a non-socialist government '' said Conservative Party leader and Prime Minister Poul Schluter as polling was about to begin Wednesday.

Schluter has ruled Denmark in changing non-socialist minority coalitions since 1982, when he wrested power from the Social Democrats, until then Denmark's main political force.

His latest administration was composed of his own Conservatives, the Liberals and the Radical Liberals.

Wednesday's general elections were Schluter's fourth since then, and latest opinion polls suggested that although his party could expect to lose some of its following within the electorate, he was not expected to be removed from office.

A last-minute Gallup poll, carried out for the Berlingske Tidende newspaper and published Tuesday, suggested the Social Democrats under their uncharismatic leader Sven Auken, stood to gain an extra 5 percent of the electorate.

But that was at the expense of the Socialist People's Party, a traditional parliamentary supporter of the Social Democrats.

Schluter's Conservatives dropped 2 percent in the poll, but his coalition partners, the Liberal Party of Foreign Minister Uffe Ellemann- Jensen, stood to gain 3 percent.

The polls said the third coalition partner, the Radical Liberals of Economy Minister Niels Helveg Petersen were expected to receive an unchanged 5 percent of the vote.

Reflecting the complicated block politics of Denmark's fragmented parliament, latest polls followed all others since elections were called on Nov. 22, suggesting that neither side of the political divide will have a clear majority.

The snap elections were called when the Social Democrats, invited for talks by a government wanting a broad majority behind finance legislation, rejected provisions under the finance package to remove an extra 6 percent tax on higher-than-average incomes.

Although both sides were in full agreement on all other vital elements of the package, both chose the relatively minor issue of the extra tax as a pretext for calling elections in an attempt to clear the parliamentary impasse of equal-sized blocks.

The short election campaign which followed gave little insight into differing policies between the major actors, but seemed to make of the 1990 election a philosophical discussion of political theory.

With only marginal differences between the two sides on foreign, defense, European Community and finance policies, the campaign has centered not on where to cut, but how much to cut public spending and taxation in one of the world's highest taxed nations.

Unemployment - at almost 10 percent - industrial stagnation and a deteriorating welfare state have provided ammunition for opposition parties, while Schluter and his government have been able to arm themselves with the lowest rate of inflation in the EC at 2.7 percent, a stable currency and budgetary equilibrium.

Election analysts have suggested that the lackluster campaign, and the lack of central issues, is likely to keep a large number of the electorate at home

Wednesday in a country where an average 85 percent of the electorate turn out at election time. A winter storm Wednesday was expected to further cut turnout.

Those who do go to the polls will be able to choose from those at present in parliament - the Socialist People's Party, the Social Democrats, the Radical Liberals, Center Democrats, Conservatives, Christian People, Liberals and Progress Party, and those fighting to rise above the 2 percent electoral barrier.

These include the Humanists, Greens, Unity, Common Course and Independents.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - A nearly empty U-S-chartered Boeing 707 left Baghdad Tuesday- evidence, the State Department says- that the evacuation of U-S hostages is nearly complete. The last of the American diplomats in the beleagured American Embassy in Kuwait are expected to leave in the next few days.

Yitzhak Shamir says he is confident that the United States will NOT be making any deals at Israel's expense in the Persian Gulf crisis. The Israeli prime minister spoke after a two-hour meeting with President Bush in Washington. Soviet sources say Shamir and Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze will meet Wednesday.

President Bush has nominated Robert Clarke to a second five-year term as U-S comptroller of the currency, despite the apparent concerns of chief of staff John Sununu. Sununu could NOT be reached for comment after the White House announcement that followed reports of his campaigning for Clarke's ouster.

Writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn says he canNOT accept the 1990 state prize by the Russian republic for his history of the Soviet prison camp system. Solzhenitsyn rejected the award from exile home in Cavendish, Vermont, saying he canNOT accept an award for a book that a majority of Soviets canNOT read.

A German newspaper says a property tycoon is giving a historic castle to each of his 12 children- including a one-year-old- for Christmas. The multi-millionaire is quoted as saying that he considers ''historic monuments and castles a worthwhile investment.''

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SEOUL, South Korea (DEC. 12) UPI - South and North Korea exchanged new proposals for rapprochement Wednesday only to confirm that they differ in their basic approaches toward a central issue - a nonaggression deal.

Opening the third round of inter-Korea prime ministers talks, South Korean

Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon presented a new draft ''Basic Agreement for Improving Relations between the two Koreas which have lived in separation for the past 45 years.

North Korean Prime Minister Yon Hyong-muk countered with a new draft ''Declaration of South-North Nonaggression, Reconciliation and Cooperation'' which combined two separate previous versions into one.

Both drafts, each comprising 10 articles, would provide that the South and the North recognize and respect each other's political and social systems, shall not interfere in internal affairs, shall peacefully resolve disputes and cease mutual slander.

They would further provide that the two sides shall build up military trust and implement phased reductions of arms, renounce the use of military force against each other, agree on nonaggression and promote economic and human exchanges and cooperation.

The two sides differed, however, on where the top priority should be placed. The South said there should first be a basic agreement to lay a framework for relations. The North wanted a nonaggression declaration outright.

''We must adopt a Basic Agreement for Improving South-North Relations first if we are to resolve the issue of nonaggression,'' Kang said.

''The adoption of the proposed Basic Agreement can be said to be a touchstone to confirm whether or not both sides are resolved to keep promises of nonaggression. We should build an effective and trustworthy nonaggression arrangement rooted in a solid framework of bettering inter-Korean relations.''

Yon said North Korea, to guarantee peace, insists on a South-North Korea nonaggression declaration, a peace agreement between the United States and North Korea, a forces reduction in Korea, and the withdrawal of nuclear weapons and U.S. forces from South Korea.

''The so-called North-South confrontation is essentially a political and military confrontation which has precisely become a source of mutual mistrust '' Yon said.

''The sharp confrontation and the deep-rooted distrust will never be removed, nor hopes for their elimination will be harbored, unless peace is guaranteed.

''We must not delay the solution of the question of peace, nor lay any hindrance upon it. We must begin by adopting the nonaggression declaration.''

North Korea has contended time and again that the 43,000 U.S. troops stationed in South Korea are armed with nuclear weapons. The United States has never confirmed such allegations.

Lim Dong-won, the Southern spokesman, held a news conference following the two-hour meeting and said there should first be a basic framework for relations which can be provided by the Basic Agreement.

''How can we make a (nonaggression) declaration abruptly while there is no exchanges of correspondece and no reunions of separated families between the two sides?'' Lim said. ''A nonaggression declaration can be discussed by a subcommittee to be formed after the Basic Agreement is signed.''

North Korean spokesman An Byong-su said the South should have ''a correct outlook'' on peace. ''The basic problem between the two Koreas is the current state of military confrontation which can be solved by a nonaggression declaration,'' he said.

Kang and Yon will get together again Thursday morning, this time behind closed doors, to continue discussions on their proposals. Yon will return to the North Friday.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - A cold front pushed across the Rocky Mountains Wednesday dumping up to 10 inches of snow on the mountains of Colorado and bringing to an end a stretch of warm, clear weather, while fog covered the northern Great Plains.

The South and southern Great Plains enjoyed clear skies and unseasonably warm temperatures with Atlanta expecting highs near 70 and Washington pushing 60 degrees.

Across the country, a snow advisory was in effect for the mountains of Colorado as clouds rolled into the state from the west, causing temperatures to drop and snow to fall.

Highs in some regions were expected to be 20 degrees colder than Tuesday, while light snow fell in parts of northwest Wyoming as the front continued its movement east, dropping temperatures across the Plains.

Patchy dense fog socked in parts of the northern Great Plains from Sioux Falls S.D. to Sioux City, Iowa, with visibilities near zero reported in several areas. Wisconsin and Nebraska also were affected by the fog.

Skies cleared over the Pacific Northwest, but the chance of rain continued and a small craft advisory remained in effect for the Washington coast where heavy swells made boating dangerous.

Clouds covered southern New England where lows were in the 30s with some

clearing expected later in the day, while skies were clear in New York City and highs were in the 50s.

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TOKYO (DEC. 12) UPI - Japanese families welcomed home 151 hostages Wednesday with tears and flowers while government officials worked to secure the release of 51 Japanese who remained in Iraq.

The 51 remaining hostages were employees of Iraqi companies and needed a letter from their employers to get exit visas, Japan's national television station, NHK, reported.

Several of the returning Japanese criticized the Japanese government for not doing enough to win their release.

''The United States was doing something, but the Japanese government did nothing,'' said one of the former hostages.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - The State Department says as many as 500 Americans have chosen to remain in Iraq and Kuwait. A U-S-chartered Boeing 707 with 15 foreigners and NO Americans left Baghdad Tuesday, evidence that the evacuation of all American hostages is probably complete.

President Bush and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir met Tuesday for two-hours. After the meeting, Shamir expressed confidence that no deal will be made to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis at the expense of Israel.

The New York Times quotes White House chief of staff John Sununu as saying that President Bush will push for a constitutional amendment to limit the terms of members of Congress. Bush has previously said that he supports limiting lawmakers' terms.

President Bush and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze meet Wednesday. Among the topics to be discussed will be the Persian Gulf crisis, aid to the Soviet Union and efforts to reduce nuclear arms.

At least 15 people died and 51 were injured yesterday in a huge traffic pile-up between Cleveland and Athens, Tennessee. Fog contributed to chain-reaction collisions of 70 cars and trucks on an interstate.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - White House chief of staff John Sununu says President Bush will push for a constitutional amendment to limit the terms of members of Congress.

Sununu discussed the president's agenda Tuesday during a speech at a National Press Club luncheon.

''Certainly there ought to be a change in some of the fundamental ways we govern ourselves,'' Sununu said. ''To some extent, the budget agreement did a lot of that, but I think it is clear to most of the politicians in Washington that there is a great deal of dissatisfaction by the American public in this area.

''And the president will continue to press for reforms such as a line-item veto,'' Sununu said, adding that Bush also ''will press for reforms in campaign financing, and he will press for a term-limitation amendment that deals with the problems associated with perpetuating the life of those who are elected to govern people - the public life of those who are elected to govern people.''

Sununu said, ''The reality that incumbency breeds a very different attitude is now sensed by the public and I think if you take a look at what was intended as a structure by those that founded this country, you'll see we've moved a great distance from it.''

Sununu's comment Tuesday was the first public indication that the White House plans to work to keep the issue alive and even draw more attention to it as the president mounts his campaign for re-election.

The announcement comes as Bush is preparing his re-election campaign and while there appears to be growing sentiment around the country to limit the terms of elected officials. The proposition is strongly opposed by members of Congress, including Bush's fellow Republicans.

State lawmakers are not pleased with the idea either.

Most proponents of such a proposal are seeking to limit terms to 12 years, that is, six terms for members of the House and two terms for senators.

Bush has previously said he supports limiting lawmakers' terms, just as the terms of the president and many governors are already limited.

Vice President Dan Quayle campaigned heavily on the issue during the midterm elections.

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GDANSK, POLAND (DEC. 12) UPI - President-elect Lech Walesa resigned Wednesday as chairman of the Solidarity trade union and recommended that his close associate, Bogdan Borusewicz, take over the job, but the offer was rejected.

''I submit my resignation because there is such a need,'' he told a meeting of the 100-member Solidarity National Commission.

Walesa said he would not like to impose any candidacy to take over his job because he did not want to be considered as a ''dictator.'' But he added, ''... I think it should be Bogdan Borusewicz.''

He said Borusewicz, 41, a historian by profession and union activist since 1978, helped him to be the union leader. The historian was one of the key leaders during the national workers' revolt that led to the formation of Poland's independent trade union movement.

''I have a moral duty to say who made Walesa,'' Walesa said. ''(Borusewicz) is the man who shaped me and took vital decision in 1980. ''

Borusewicz rejected the offer, two deputies in the union, Stefan Jurczak and Leszek Kaczynski, should run the affairs of the union until the new leader is elected.

Walesa was elected chairman of the union in 1981 during the first Solidarity Congress a few weeks before the imposition of martial law, which outlawed the independent union. He was re-elected at the 2nd Congress in June.

After the resignation, Walesa said that ''there is no time for talking'' and left for his presidential office.

Walesa's main office will be the Belweder palace in Warsaw where he is planning to work for a few days a week. His wife, Danuta, will not move to the capital with their eight children.

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The State Department says as many as 500 Americans have chosen to remain in Iraq and occupied Kuwait. Department officials say the figure involves people entitled to American passports, many of them foreign- born in families in which one of the spouses is an American citizens.

An interstate remains closed today after a deadly pileup involving 70 cars and trucks between Cleveland and Athens, Tennessee. At least 15 people were killed and 51 others injured in the chain-reaction collisions that left some

motorists trapped in burning wreckage. Fog is blamed for the accident.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir says he had a ''very good and very friendly conversation'' with President Bush yesterday at the White House. Shamir says he left the talks confident that the United States will NOT resolve the Persian Gulf crisis at the expense of Israel.

Reputed New York mobster John Gotti is being held on unknown federal charges. The F-B-I says agents arrested Gotti and three associates last night at a social club in Little Italy. The men are indicted on a variety of charges by a federal grand jury in Brooklyn. But the indictment is sealed and the charges unknown.

A retired pathologist faces a preliminary hearing today in Pontiac, Michigan, on murder charges for helping an Oregon woman commit suicide. A county prosector says there is precedent for filing a first-degree murder charge against Dr. Jack Kevorkian in the June death of an Oregon woman.

Pennsylvania officials are refusing to remove three crosses from the more than one-thousand handmade ornaments on the Christmas tree in the state capital. The American Civil Liberties says it will file suit in federal court over the crosses by the end of the week.

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STOCKHOLM, Sweden (DEC. 12) UPI - Parliament voted overwhelmingly Wednesday to apply for membership in the European Community in a decisive departure from two decades of resistance to such a move.

Sweden has resisted membership in the European common market in an effort to preserve both its political neutrality and its model welfare system.

The 349-seat Parliament voted 287 for an EC membership application and 40 against, with 22 abstentions. The four largest parties in Parliament - the ruling Social Democrats, the Conservatives, the Liberals and the Center Party, representing 90 percent of the house - agreed to support the application.

Only the smallest parties in Parliament - the Greens and the left- wing former Communists - voted against the application.

It was unclear when Sweden would forward application papers to the EC. The bill said an application preferably was to be sent to the EC during 1991. That would probably enable Sweden to join the EC in 1995.

The bill called for two referendums, in 1991 and in 1994, for the people of Sweden to give their opinions about joining the common market.

''The Swedish people will have a good opportunity to say if they wish to join the EC or not,'' Foreign Trade Minister Anita Gradin said Wednesday.

Although the parliamentary decision in principle called for the Social Democratic government of premier Ingvar Carlsson to seek membership, there remain several issues that could prevent Swedish membership in the EC.

In particular, Sweden, a member of the European Free Trade Association, is highly sensitive about suggestions that its neutral status regarding NATO and the Warsaw Pact could be brought into question after upcoming EC negotiations over political and possibly military union in the community.

The small Nordic nation of 8.5 million people also has resisted EC membership for two decades because of fears that its welfare system might be affected.

''The committee shares the government's opinion that Swedish membership of the EC with preserved neutrality is in the interest of our nation,'' the bill said. ''Only as a member (of the EC) can our country participate in and have influence on EC cooperation.''

''This decision is a giant step towards the EC,'' said Lotta Forsman, an EC expert at the Foreign Ministry's trade department. ''But there are many ifs, buts and whens left to clear up.''

Wednesday's vote, which nullified a 1988 vote against EC membership, reflected the political changes in Eastern Europe over the past year.

''The collapse of the communist dictatorships in Eastern Europe has changed the military map in Europe and consequently the basis for Sweden's neutrality '' Forsman said. ''But the political union and military defense in the EC will largely affect Sweden's position on membership.''

The Conservative and Liberal parties called for an application as soon as possible, while the Social Democratic Party and the agrarian Center Party called for careful progress and refused to set a deadline for application.

Wednesday's decision came in a year when the small Nordic nation of 8.5 million people is undergoing several changes, partly because of reduced East-West tensions, but also because of economic problems.

But on Oct. 26 Carlsson said his government urged Parliament to seek EC membership. The announcement came at the same time that the premier announced a stringent austerity package and welfare cuts.

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TOKYO (DEC. 12) UPI - The Bank of Japan has reaffirmed its policy of

maintaining a tight credit stance to check inflationary pressure despite signs of a slowdown in the domestic economy, which sustained expansion over the last 49 straight months.

The Economic Planning Agency challenged the central bank's monetary stance, saying it is detrimental to economic expansion.

Agency director general Hideyuki Aizawa said the present high level interest rates is cramping capital investments and may hurt economic growth.

The central bank said Tuesday its quarterly survey of the domestic economy showed that major Japanese corporations have become less confident over the future despite robust domestic demand and brisk exports, mainly to Europe and Southeast Asia.

The bank said its report was based on a survey conducted in November on 7,496 companies, including 691 major coorporations, both in manufacturing and non-manufacturing sectors.

''There were signs of fatigue in the wake of a long-term sustained expansion (of the economy),'' the report said, adding that the Japanese economy has slightly retreated from its ''high plateau.''

Major Japanese manufacturers are expected to report higher sales growth in the current fiscal year ending next March 31 but growth in their profits is expected to moderate, the report said.

An increasing number of corporations aims to raise prices of their products against the background of an acute labor shortage and rising crude oil prices caused by the Gulf crisis, boosting inflationary pressure, the report said.

The central bank reiterated its policy of maintaining the tight credit policy while watching the effects of five rounds of official discount rate hikes since early last year.

The central bank raised the key interest rate 0.75 percentage points to 6.0 percent in the previous hike in August this year.

''There is a possibility that the Japanese economy will pick up after a temporary slowdown,'' a similar pattern seen in the postwar record expansion of 57 consecutive months from 1965 to 1970, the report said.

Japan's sustained economic growth entered its 49th month in December, and most analysts predicted the current expansion will break the record.

The government said Japan's gross national product slowed to 4.1 percent in the July-September period in the wake of 5.5 percent growth in the previous quarter.

Consumer prices in the Tokyo area surged 3.9 percent in November over a year ago after posting a 3.1 percent year-on-year increase in October.

Aizawa, expressing his objection to the central bank's tight credit policy, said he would ask the central bank whether it really is worried about inflation.

The agency said the surge in the cost of living was a temporary phenomenon, while the central bank insisteded that the tight money policy is necessary to check upward pressure of prices.

New private-sector orders for machinery received by Japanese manufacturers in October dropped 7.6 percent from the previous month, posting the first month-to-month fall in four months.

The agency said the new orders, excluding those from the shipbuilding and electric power industries, totaled $7.9 billion after seasonal adjustments.

The agency said overall private sector orders, including those from the shipbuilding and electric power sectors, totaled $8.9 billion, down 2.5 percent from September.

Orders from overseas jumped 45.0 percent over the preceding month, reflecting demand for plants and tankers from the Soviet Union, Southeast Asia and the Middle East, the agency said.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed slightly higher Wednesday for the sixth consecutive session, encouraged by an expectation of lower U.S. and Japanese interest rates.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which posted a 172.30- point gain Tuesday, inched up 42.44 points to 23,999.41.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major issues rose 7.87 points to 1,799.50 after Tuesday's advance of 14.61 points.

An estimated 600 million shares changed hands, up from 539 million Tuesday.

Advances topped declines 603 to 359, while 153 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices closed higher on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in narrow, sluggish trading.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index climbed 16.17 points to 3,160.79. The gain

followed a drop Tuesday of 4.54 points.

In Singapore, bargain hunters plus gains in Tokyo pushed prices higher in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The blue-chip Straits Times Industrial Index, which eased 3.17 points Tuesday, rose 7.99 points to 1,184.69. The broader-based All Singapore Index rose 1.05 points to 326.86.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 33.4 million shares, compared with 33.8 million shares Tuesday.

Elsewhere around the region, in Manila, stocks closed higher in active trading on the Manila Stock Exchange. The Manila Composite Stock Index of 25 selected issues, which gained 21.14 points Tuesday, added another 11.69 points to 675.98.

Market watchers in Manila said a strong rally in the oil sector lifted investor enthusiam.

In Taipei, stocks closed sharply lower on the Taiwan Stock Exchange.

The Taiwan Weighted Index, which gained 71.41 points, tumbled 258.46 points to 4,335.26.

In Australia, an apparent reversal in the troubled fortunes of John Spalvins's Adsteam empire boosted stock prices on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which fell 8.0 points Tuesday, rose 2.0 points to 1,323.6.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 53 million shares, compared with 59.9 million shares Tuesday.

Meanwhile, in Wellington, stock prices closed lower in lackluster trading on the New Zealand Stock Exchange.

The Barclays Share-Price Index, which fell 19.36 points Tuesday, fell another 16.40 points to 1,228.34 - its lowest close since October 1984.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - The Philippine military says it has captured an army major and dismissed 224 soldiers in connection with a separatist revolt mounted by President Corazon Aquino's former security officer last October.

Denmark's four Million eligible voters go to the polls today in extraordinary

general elections called following last month's breakdown in negotiations on a national finance package. At stake in the 13-party elections are the 179 seats of the parliament.

Former Polish presidential candidate Stanislaw Tyminski left Poland todayafter posting 100-thousand dollars bail to ensure his return, following a charge that he insulted Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki .

The New York Times says the Department of Education will begin prohibiting colleges and universities that receive federal funds from offering what it calls ''race-exclusive'' scholarships.

White House chief of staff John Sununu reportedly said yesterday that President Bush will push for a constitutional amendment to limit the terms of members of Congress. Sununu reportedly made the announcement during a speech at a National Press Club luncheon.

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CALHOUN, TENN. (DEC. 12) UPI - Rescue teams using crowbars and hammers pried open mangled wreckage Wednesday in the search for more victims of a 75-vehicle pileup that killed at least 15 people and injured 51 on a foggy interstate highway.

Citizens in surrounding communitieslined up to donate blood and offered clothing and lodging for survivors of the worst traffic accident in Tennessee history.

A team from the National Transportation Safety Board arrived to investigate the disaster, which started Tuesday morning after a bank of fog rose out of the Hiwassee River and blinded motorists on Interstate 75 in southeast Tennessee.

The Rev. Richard Rabideau was driving his Olds Delta 88 from Reese, Mich., along the fog-shrouded roadway when he heard ''a bang and then a boom and then another boom.''

''You could hear collision after collision,'' he said. ''People were screaming. It lasted 20 minutes.''

The search for victims was suspended at midnight Tuesday but resumed at daybreak and officials said the death toll could rise.

''The work crews were beyond exhaustion last night,'' said Cecil Whaley of the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency. ''But there's still about three vehicles that are fused together and they haven't gotten to the bottom of it yet. There still may be one or two dead in that wreckage.

''They're using 'Jaws of Life' and crowbars and hammers. They're trying to pick it apart rather than tear it apart,'' he said. ''This is without question the worst traffic accident in Tennessee history, both in terms of loss of life and in terms of the number of vehicles involved.''

A tractor-trailer rig jackknifed to start the chain-reaction collisions, and most of the 74 other cars and trucks ran full-speed into the fog bank, officials said. Ten trucks burst into flames and smashed vehicles stretched for nearly 3 miles.

''You couldn't see a thing, the fog was so thick.'' said Bob Turnbull of Hamilton, Ohio, whose Lincoln was dented in the wreck. ''All you knew was by what you kept hearing. Bang, bang, bang. Explosions and collisions kept ringing through the air.''

Trucker Riley McSpadden of Chicamauga, Ga., and his partner were heading to Dalton, Ga., with a load of carpet yarn. McSpadden, 31, sleeping in the cab while his partner drove, said he was awakened by cries for help.

''I jumped out and went to the truck in front of us and saw that the guy was pinned in by the steering wheel,'' he said. ''The inside of the cab was already on fire. I just told him, 'Bud, there's no way I can help you.' And I just shut the door.''

Within seconds, McSpadden said, fire engulfed the man and his truck.

McSpadden said he kept hearing crashes and explosions as more vehicles plowed into the massive wreck. He said he ran toward an embankment to get away from all the fire.

''I saw a woman who looked dead on the side of the road, and I managed to pull her away from the fire before it got too hot,'' he said.

Fog from the Hiwassee River has caused wrecks in the past on the stretch of interstate, the main route between Knoxville and Chattanooga, and the state had erected warning signs and reflectors, state Safety Department spokeswoman Sue Allison said.

''This is at least the fifth multi-car pileup we've had on this stretch of road since the interstate opened in the early 1970s,'' said Calhoun Fire Chief Gary Knight.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for

Dec. 11: Purchases of 402,522 shares and sales of 678,298 shares including 2,944 shares sold short.

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ATLANTIC, IOWA (DEC. 12) UPI - A member of the Iowa National Guard looking for part-time work during the holidays says he was turned down for a convenience store job because he might be called to active duty.

Richard Barnett has filed a complaint with the Department of Labor about the way his application at the Atlantic Kum & Go was handled. Barnett said after he applied for the position he was told his application would be put in the store's file because he might be called to duty.

Barnett is a member of a field artillery unit. He said because of the nature of his unit, the chances are slim he will be called up.

Barnett said he applied for a job vacated when another man left for active military duty. He said he was told that the job was open but that his application would be held on file because of the chance the also might be activated.

However, the director of operations for Kum & Go in Des Moines, John Byrne, said two openings at the store were filled by the time Barnett returned his application. He said any discussions about Barnett's membership in the National Guard occurred after he was told the jobs were filled.

Leonard Shaw of the Labor Department's Veterans Employment and Training Division in Des Moines said if Barnett was denied a job because of his National Guard status, it would be a clear violation of federal law. Shaw said the law prohibits discrimination because of membership in a National Guard or Reserve unit.

Shaw said he is awaiting an interview with Barnett before beginning his investigation of the claim.

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Asheville	pc	62	29	....
Atlanta	sy	67	43	....
Baltimore	sy	45	25	....

Billings pc	53	24	....
Birmingham sy	67	35	....
Bismarck mc	34	31	.03
Boston cy	38	32	....
Brownsville pc	80	58	....
Buffalo sy	33	29	.01
Burlington Vt. sn	25	15	....
Charleston S.C. sy	61	50	....
Charlotte pc	62	36	....
Chicago sy	55	43	....
Cincinnati sy	60	42	....
Cleveland sy	48	37	....
Columbus Ohio sy	53	36	....
Dallas sy	72	55	....
Denver cy	68	32	....
Des Moines pc	53	40	....
Detroit pc	43	28	....
Duluth sn	33	32	.02
El Paso sy	69	45	....
Evansville sy	62	40	....
Fargo mc	41	31	.03
Hartford pc	35	30	....
Honolulu pc	82	72	.02
Houston pc	73	57	....
Indianapolis sy	59	42	....
Jackson Miss. pc	66	40	....
Jacksonville pc	73	42	....
Kansas City pc	64	43	....
Las Vegas sh	62	51	....
Little Rock pc	64	52	....
Los Angeles pc	69	59	....
Louisville pc	64	44	....
Memphis pc	65	50	....
Miami Beach sy	73	61	....
Milwaukee pc	48	35	....
Minneapolis dr	34	31	....
Nashville pc	65	45	....
New Orleans pc	68	54	....
New York pc	39	35	....
Oklahoma City sy	66	45	....
Omaha pc	62	27	....
Orlando sy	73	42	....
Philadelphia sy	40	27	....
Phoenix pc	78	58	....
Pittsburgh sy	50	38	....
Portland Me. mc	34	19	....
Portland Ore. pc	49	33	....
Providence pc	37	31	....

Richmond sy	53	31	....
St. Louis pc	67	49	....
Salt Lake City sn	40	33	.01
San Antonio f	74	53	....
San Diego pc	71	59	....
San Francisco pc	60	49	....
San Juan cy	85	73	.03
Seattle r	43	37	.05
Spokane cy	39	25	....
Tampa sy	72	43	....
Washington sy	47	31	....
Wichita sy	61	30	....

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cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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MOSCOW (DEC. 12) UPI - A passenger claiming to have a bomb tried to hijack an Aeroflot jet to Turkey, but the crew continued the flight and no explosives were found after a safe landing, news reports said Wednesday.

The incident on the Tuesday flight from Baku, Azerbaijan, to Tbilisi, Georgia, was the latest in a series of hijacking attempts by Soviet citizens trying to leave the country.

Most of the hijackers have been unarmed, and Aeroflot crews lately have stopped complying with many of the demands because passengers are screened before boarding the plane.

In Tuesday's incident, the official Soviet news agency Tass said Baku resident Rauf Mursalov, 31, gave the crew a note shortly after takeoff threatening to

blow up the plane unless it was diverted to Turkey.

Tass said the crew persuaded Mursalov they needed to land in Tbilisi ''to refuel and settle other matters connected with the flight to Turkey.'' The hijacker was arrested after landing, the news agency said.

The independent news agency Interfax said there were 24 passengers and four crew on the small Yak-40 passenger jet.

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TOKYO (DEC. 12) UPI - Three Japanese oil distributors said Wednesday they will lower wholesale prices of gasoline, kerosene and light oil beginning Sunday to keep pace with declining prices of crude oil imported from the Middle East.

Idemitsu Kosan, Cosmo Oil and Mitsubishi Oil cited a fall of crude oil import prices due to an easing of Gulf tension.

They said retail prices of gasoline are expected to fall to about $1. 04 per liter from the present $1.06 while kerosene will decline to $8.08 per 18 liters from $8.52.

Other oil companies are expected to follow suit.

Japanese oil companies have agreed to a government request to revise wholesale prices of oil products according to fluctuations of import prices.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Dec. 12:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	37	03
Amsterdam c	1pm	41	05
Ankara c	3pm	45	07
Athens r	2pm	57	14
Auckland pc	12m	65	18
Beijing c	8pm	30	-01
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin r	1pm	34	01
Bonn cy	1pm	39	04
Brussels cy	1pm	37	03
Cairo d	2pm	75	24

Casablanca cy	12n	52	11
Copenhagen cy	1pm	39	03
Dakar pc	12n	74	23
Dublin cy	1pm	43	06
Geneva s	1pm	32	00
Helsinki r	2pm	36	02
Hong Kong pc	8pm	68	20
Jerusalem pc	2pm	70	21
Karachi	5pm	-	-
Lisbon c	1pm	57	14
London cy	1pm	42	05
Madrid c	1pm	52	11
Malta pc	1pm	59	15
Manila c	8pm	83	28
Moscow cy	3pm	31	00
Nairobi pc	3pm	70	21
Nassau c	7am	55	13
New Delhi c	6pm	73	22
Nice c	1pm	50	10
Oslo cy	1pm	35	02
Paris r	1pm	42	05
Pretoria pc	2pm	82	27
Riyadh	3pm	75	24
Rome c	1pm	52	11
Seoul c	9pm	34	01
Sofia r	2pm	48	09
Stockholm cy	1pm	33	00
Sydney pc	10pm	72	22
Taipei pc	8pm	62	17
Tokyo pc	9pm	51	10
Tunis c	1pm	57	14
Vienna cy	1pm	41	05
Warsaw c	1pm	39	04

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	66	18
Caracas pc	8am	68	20
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	65	18
Mexico City hz	6am	44	07
Rio de Janeiro cy	9am	79	26
Santiago cy	8am	-	-

Canada

Calgary c	28	-02
Edmonton c	29	-01
Montreal	-	-
Ottawa	-	-

Regina pc	28	-02
Toronto cy	32	-00
Vancouver cy	44	06
Winnipeg cy	27	-02

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dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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COLUMBUS, Ohio (DEC. 12) UPI - Authorities say they may not be able to determine what caused a hot-air balloon to crash, killing three experienced pilots and a passenger.

The balloon drifted across Columbus and hit a 1,000-foot tower at WBNS-TV Tuesday, sending the four occupants hurtling to their deaths.

''Why it was down that low in this areas is the big question,'' said Lt. Randy Thatcher of the Highway Patrol. ''They may have taken that secret with them. It doesn't make sense.''

The dead were identified as pilot Erik Ingwersen, 31, Columbus; Scott, Meeker, 26, Worthington; Doug Shirey, 27, Circleville; and Katherine Nemes, 20, Columbus.

Ingwersen, who had flown balloons in the Swiss Alps, Shirey and Meeker were all experienced balloon pilots.

The balloon was owned by the Bogey Inn, a popular tavern and restaurant but was operated by Ingwersen.

The National Transportation Safety Board, which is investigating the accident, said it was the worst since the NTSB began keeping balloon accident records in 1982.

Witnesses said the balloon seemed to have trouble gaining altitude, nearly

striking the Riffe Center, a 36-story state office building, in the downtown area.

''He kept lighting his burner so it was obvious he was trying to gain altitude said Jim Rohdenburg who working in a downtown office building. ''It looked like he finally got up enough altitude but he got up into ''p into

When the balloon hit the tip of an antenna atop the tower, the covering nylon fabric ripped causing air to rush from the balloon and send the passenger basket to the ground.

John Rollins, an employee with the Franklin County Engineering Department and an eyewitness, said he was about 400 yards from the tower when the crash occurred.

''Right after it hit and they started to descend, one person was still looking out over the basket as it was dropping. He was leaning out over the side all the way down.''

Three crew members were found inside. Shirey was found next to the gondola.

''It was probably sudden death from the trauma of the impact,'' said Patrick Fardal, deputy Franklin County coroner.

Greg Feith, an investigator with the NTSB, said the balloon will be taken to a hangar at Port Columbus for a more complete investigation.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - One more flight will be sent to Baghdad tomorrow in case there still are Americans who want to leave. However, U-S officials believe all of the Americans wanting to leave have done so.

A Soviet source say Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze will meet today with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir . Shevardnadze also will meet with President Bush.

F-B-I agents in Lower Manhattan arrested reputed mobster John Gotti and three of his associates last night. Charges against the four are contained in a sealed federal indictment, and will be made public later today.

A two-and-one-half mile section of Interstate 75 in Tennessee resembled what one official called ''a war zone'' yesterday when about 70 vehicles slammed into each other in heavy fog. At least 15 people died and 51 were injured.

The Senate ethics committee looking into the conduct of the so-called Keating

Five senators today begin several days of private questioning of James Grogan, a former close associate of Michael Keating. The next public hearing could come as late as January.

Former Bangladesh President Hussain Muhammad Ershad was arrested today, following demands by mainline opposition that he face trial for corruption and seizing power illegally in 1982. Ershad resigned December 6th.

The Soviet news agency Tass says exiled Soviet writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn has refused a prize from the Russian republic for his Soviet prison camp history, ''The Gulag Archipelago,'' because the book's circulation is still limited in his homeland. Solzhenitsyn now lives in Vermont.

South African Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi and African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela arranged separate missions of peace today to the troubled black township of Thokoza where 52 people died in a day of factional fighting.

Marine scientists and volunteers worked feverishly to save more than 50 pilot whales that beached themselves on Cape Cod yesterday. Three of the 58 whales had died or been put to death by midafternoon, and dozens of others were in danger of going into shock and dying.

A poll conducted by the Gallup Organization says the cost of medical care becomes a bigger headache as Americans age. The poll showed that costs are the leading health worry of nearly half of all American adults questoned.

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LONDON (DEC. 12) UPI - Sotheby's will scale down and close some of its operations in Britain and continental Europe as part of a reorganization plan to reduce administrative costs, the auction house said Wednesday.

A 1989 review by Sotheby's board in London prompted a decision to focus on fewer but better quality sales, with specific houses concentrating on specific markets, spokeswoman Fiona Ford said. In restructuring, Sotheby's hopes to expand sales in continental Europe and the Far East where most of its growth is occurring, she said. "It isn't market related, we'll have fewer sales and need fewer people to handle them," Ford said.

In an effort to lower administrative costs, locations in Chester and Sussex will be closed and a new auction house will be opened near the London transportation network, she said. These changes will result in a loss of 80 to 100 jobs.

The new auction house will absorb the sales from the two Chester and Sussex sites and sell collectors' items such as toys and wines, which are now sold at

the New Bond Street building, Ford said. Bond Street will still sell antique jewelry and English silver.

Sales in Chester will end in April and the Sussex location will close within two years when the new auction house opens, Ford said. Sotheby's Geneva house will become the center for sales in high quality jewelry, European silver, Faberge and higher value watches. In the future, Sotheby's plans to conduct auctions in Paris, Berlin, and Milan, Ford said.

New offices in Hong Kong, Singapore and Taiwan and expanded premises in Tokyo will serve the growing Far Eastern market. Sales and staff will be reduced in Australia, she said.

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THOKOZA, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 12) UPI - African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela and Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi led separate peace missions Wednesday to the violence-wracked black township of Thokoza. Buthelezi was greeted warmly but Mandela was turned away with scorn.

Buthelezi, the leader of Inkatha and the Zulu homelands of Natal province, arrived first aboard a helicopter and toured the township east of Johannesburg aboard a police armored personnel carrier, appealing to his supporters to lay down their weapons. ''We cannot fight our way into democracy or a new South Africa,'' he said.

Hundreds of Zulus carrying spears, clubs and other homemade and traditional weapons turned out to cheer Buthelezi, who was accompanied by Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok.

Mandela's delegation arrived later, also seeking to head off the black-on-black violence in which 52 people were killed Tuesday. When the group rode in aboard a bus, it was confronted by about 100 Buthelezi backers outside a migrant worker hostel.

The Zulus, some carrying homemade spears, waved Mandela's group away. One woman raised her skirt in disgust at the presence of the ANC leader and others in the crowd waved placards reading ''Away, Mandela.''

Mandela, a member of the Xhosa tribe, was unharmed and a heavy police presence helped avert a more serious confrontation.

As the vehicles in the motorcade drove off, the Zulu men and women danced and sang in glee.

Buthelezi and Mandela arranged separate visits because they have been unable to overcome their political differences and appear in public together.

Buthelezi has consistently blamed the factional fighting on the ANC.

Police said 52 people died in and around the township Tuesday in one of the bloodiest days of black factional fighting this year. At least 83 people have died in the area since Friday in an extension of urban violence that exploded in townships around Johannesburg in August between Zulus of the movement Inkatha and mainly Xhosa supporters of the ANC.

Since Mandela's release from 27 years' imprisonment, Buthelezi has called for face-to-face talks, but the ANC has so far refused, fearing such a meeting would lend Buthelezi political credibility.

The separate peace missions Wednesday followed talks in the township on Tuesday afternoon between officials of the ANC and Inkatha under police mediation. The delegates agreed to work for peace in the area and in a joint statement appealed to their followers to respect ''political tolerance.''

Hand-to-hand fighting erupted early Tuesday morning mainly between Zulus living in migrant worker hostels and Xhosas of the Phola Park squatter camp adjacent to Thokoza, then spread into the township itself.

Authorities rushed police and army reinforcements to the area and by Wednesday morning the area was calm but the signs of the conflict were everywhere. Shacks were burned, cars gutted, house windows smashed and hostels set alight.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 12) UPI - Two former officers of the failed Universal Savings Association have been indicted for allegedly plotting to hide profits from the sale of property on the same day it was purchased. The indictment, revealed Tuesday, claims Martin L. Schehin and James D. Purdom Jr. tried to hide a profit of $887,000 from a 1984 land deal.

Purdom is a former Universal Savings president and Schehin a former University Savings chairman and former president of First Universal Service Corp.

The grand jury alleged Schehin lied to the government by claiming bogus deductions and excluding income on a tax return, and lied to a savings association in loan papers.

Purdom also is accused of understating his capital gains income on tax returns. A third man, former Universal Savings employee Robert A. Hargrave, failed to declare as income money he received from loans, the indictment charges.

The indictment was the second returned in an ongoing investigation by the FBI and Internal Revenue Service into transactions at Universal Savings, whose

collapse is expected to cost taxpayers $162 million to cover federally insured deposits.

The indictment accuses Schehin, 49, and Purdom, 44, of using their positions to orchestrate a same-day purchase and sale of an 89-acre tract of land, also called a land flip, that earned them almost $887,000. The men allegedly used the money to pay off personal debts and make personal investments.

The indictment also claims the men tried to impede the IRS by funneling the money through Texas City Joint Venture No. 1, a corporation they owned with Hargrave, 41. It also claims the men then tried to disguise the fraudulent nature of the land flip.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael Clark said the investigation is one of those on the FBI's list of the 100 most significant savings and loan fraud cases. "These guys are definitely big fish," he said.

If convicted, Schehin could be sentenced to 23 years in prison and fined $475,000, Purdom could face up to eight years in prison and $350,000 in fines and Hargrave, three years and a $100,000 fine.

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JAKARTA (DEC. 12) UPI - The Indonesian parliament Wednesday ratified the Timor Gap treaty with Australia, one year after the two countries signed an agreement to jointly develop disputed oil resources.

The smooth passage of the treaty, which passed by acclamation, came despite predictions that some members of parliament would oppose or seek to defer the agreement on the grounds it was unfair to Indonesia.

Under the treaty, ratified six months earlier by the Australian parliament, the countries have set aside for 40 years their overlapping border claims in a 136-mile area of the Timor Sea south of the island of Timor.

Speakers from three factions in the parliament - the armed forces, the ruling Golkar Party and the Moslem-backed United Development Party - all explicity endorsed the treaty.

B.N. Marbun, representing the Indonesian Democratic Party faction, repeated reservations about the agreement but said his party would not block its approval.

Marbun asked the government to "bear in mind" that the zone of cooperation set up by the treaty was in an area claimed by Indonesia as its territorial waters.

Following the ratification vote, Foreign Minister Ali Alatas told parliament

that the prospects for a comprehensive agreement on the seabed boundary "remained uncertain."

Petroleum companies were anxious for the agreement to be approved to allow them to begin searching for a possible wealth of oil reserves in the Timor Gap. Geologists have predicted the Timor Gap holds up to one billion barrels of crude oil.

The dispute over control of the Timor Gap, a seabed that lies south of the Indonesian province of East Timor, developed in 1972 between Australia and Portugal, then the colonizing power of East Timor.

After Portugal pulled out of its half of the island in 1975, Indonesia annexed the region of 600,000 people in a bloody civil war and took over the claim to the seabed area.

The Timor Gap treaty, signed Dec. 11, 1989, by Indonesia and Australia, divided the seabed into three zones, with the largest and most prospective section, called Zone A, to be jointly administered by the two countries.

A ministerial meeting between the two countries to implement the treaty likely will be held in February in Indonesia. The agreement has been been criticized by Portugal, which has accused the Australian government of violating the right of East Timorese people.

Wednesday's ratification vote opened the way for Portugal to challenge the treaty in the Internationl Court of Justice on the grounds that it breaches international law.

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CHEEKTOWAGA, N.Y. (DEC. 12) UPI - Police said four men, armed and wearing ski masks, made off with between $1 million and $1.5 million in the holdup of an armored truck at a shopping mall parking lot.

There were no injuries in Tuesday's heist in suburban Buffalo and no shots were fired. One guard had his gun taken by the gunmen but was not hurt.

Police said the gunmen pulled up in a van and blocked the path of the Brinks armored truck, which was parked outside Ruby Tuesday's restaurant, just after 10 a.m. when the mall opened for business.

Two guards were delivering the cash to a Key Bank branch in the mall when they were accosted by the gunmen, who reportedly were armed with a semiautomatic pistol and a machine gun.

Police said the gunmen escaped with three bags of money in a car that was

later found abandoned.

''It appeared to be very well planned,'' Lt. James Morath said of the robbery.

The car and the van used in the robbery were both reported stolen last week, police said.

Police said they were taking statements from several witnesses, including mall security guards and patrons of the restaurant.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - Privately owned housing completions decreased to an annual rate of 1.25 million in October from a revised rate of 1.32 million in September, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

The government said October's rate of single-family housing completions was 908,000, down from 974,000 the month before. In buildings with five or more units, the completion rate was 313,000 while the rate for buildings with two to four units stood at 35,000.

During the first ten months of the year, 1.09 million housing units were completed, down from 1.17 million in the same period the year before. At the end of October, housing units under construction totaled 773,000, including 501,000 single-family structures, 244,000 buildings with five or more units and 28,000 buildings with two to four units.

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HYANNIS, Mass. (DEC. 12) UPI - Eight beached pilot whales that volunteers helped back into the waters off Cape Cod have apparently headed out to sea, marine scientists said Wednesday.

The eight were among 56 pilot whales that beached Tuesday on Squaw Island off Hyannis Port, not far from the Kennedy compound.

Volunteers worked late into the night to save as many of the whales as possible, but 40 either died or were put to death with lethal injections to end their suffering, officials said.

Two female whales were taken to the New England Aquarium where officials planned to rehabilitate them and eventually return them to the ocean.

Marine scientists tagged nine whales with either radio transmitters or glowing beacons and pushed them back into the water, but one eventually returned and died.

''I'm not going to be particularly optimistic. I'm afraid we may hear they are back on the beach somewhere,'' Dr. Charles Mayor of the Center for Coastal Studies in Provincetown said late Tuesday night.

However, a research associate at the center, David Mattila, said Wednesday morning that the freed whales had apparently headed out to sea. He said that since there were no reports Wednesday morning of any more beachings, ''that is a good sign.''

Late Tuesday night, the eight remaining tagged whales at first just ''started to mill around together quite tightly in a circle, touching, as though they all needed physical contact,'' Mattila said.

Two of the whales then headed straight offshore, turned and came back to the rest of the milling whales, ''almost like they were two scouts.'' He said all of the whales then started heading straight offshore.

''We lost them about a mile offshore,'' he said.

Mattila said radio tracking equipment would be used Wednesday to try to find the pod.

Scientists planned to study the whales to try to determine the cause of the mysterious beachings, which have killed hundreds of whales on Cape Cod and other New England beaches in recent years.

Pilot whales are highly social, traveling in large groups called pods. Males can measure up to 25 feet in length, while females are generally 10 to 15 feet long, he said.

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JAKARTA (DEC. 12) UPI - President Suharto told the nation Wednesday that despite exporting oil it is facing an energy shortage in the near future and will need to concentrate on developing nuclear power over the next two decades.

Speaking at the inauguration of two new facilities owned by the national atomic energy agency Batan in Serpong, West Java, Suharto said Indonesia may switch from being an oil exporter to an importer within ten years.

Suharto said the nation of 188 million people currently has plentiful conventional energy resources, including natural gas, coal, and oil, but he warned the situation would change as the population exceeds 200 million after the year 2000. "There seems to be no other alternative for Indonesia except to develop nuclear plants," he said.

Suharto said the government was fully aware that the development of nuclear power, as with any new technology, brought serious risks. But with proper planning and full attention to safety, he said, "Indonesia should not hesitate much longer to develop nuclear power plants to meet the nation's future needs."

Indonesia already has begun building its first nuclear power plant, a facility on the mountain of Muria on the northern coast of Central Java. The plant, with a projected capacity of 600 megawatts, is expected to begin operation by 2003. Companies from the United States, Japan, Canada, and Europe have submitted proposals to built the plant.

Suharto said nuclear energy was necessary to develop agriculture and industry and to provide much cheaper electricity for homes. Indonesia currently relies on oil and increasingly on coal to meet its rapidly growing electricity demand. The country has been a major oil and gas exporter, but officials have warned that exports may be halted in the next ten years and that Indonesia will become an oil importer.

A government official said that by 2015, residents on the island of Java alone will consume about 27,000 megawatts of electricity, while the capacity generated by water, geothermal activity, natural gas and coal will reach only about 20,000 megawatts in that year. The remaining 7,000 megawatts will have to be provided by nuclear energy, said Djali Ahimsa, the director of Batan.

Officials also predicted that despite the completion of a gas and steam power plant in East Java by 1993, the country's household and industries would face an electricity shortage in 1997.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - Japanese families welcomed home 151 hostages today with tears and flowers while government officials worked to secure the release of 51 Japanese who remain in Iraq. Officials say with the return of the 151 hostages only 51 Japanese hostages remain in Iraq. The 51 were employees of Iraqi companies and need a letter from their employers to get exit visas.

A Manhattan courtroom erupted yesterday when a jury found two defendants guilty in the Central park jogger rape case. 16-year-old Kevin Richardson was found guilty on all counts, including attempted murder and rape. 18-year-old Kharey Wise was convicted on lesser charges of assault, sexual abuse and riot. There were screams when the verdict was read, and Richardson's mother collapsed. The judge had to clear the courtroom.

A published report today says the Federal Department of Education will begin prohibiting colleges and universities that receive federal funds from offering what it calls ''race-exclusive'' scholarships. The Education Department's assistant secretary for civil rights, Michael Williams, says scholarships

designated for minority students are discriminatory and therefore are illegal.

Exiled Soviet writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn says he is refusing a prize from the Russian republic for his Soviet prison camp history, ''The Gulag Archipelago.'' Solzhenitsyn said in a statement that most Soviet citizens can't get his book because it has such a small circulation and costs too much on the black market. The 1974 Nobel Prize literature laureate now lives in exile in Cavendish, Vermont.

A Danish rig with a crew of 56 on board slipped its towlines in heavy North Sea gales off the Norwegian coast and is reported to be adrift. A spokesman for Denmark's Naval Operative Command said NONE of those on board the Vinland rig had been hurt and there was no immediate danger of capsizing or need for evacuation. He said ''The crew has not asked for assistance.''

Polish President-elect Lech Walesa resigned today as chairman of the Solidarity trade union. He recommended that a close associate take over the job, but the man declined. Walesa was elected chairman of the union in 1981 during the first Solidarity Congress a few weeks before the imposition of martial law. After his resignation today, Walesa left for his presidential office.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 12) UPI - Coastal Corp. has scrapped plans for a $600 million pipeline that would have carried natural gas from Wyoming to oil producers and utilities in Southern California.

Coastal Chairman Oscar Wyatt Jr. said at the OPEC meetings in Vienna Tuesday that the WyCal project was abandoned because of fears of an economic slowdown and tough competition from a nearly identical pipeline proposed by a subsidiary of Tenneco Inc. "They simply outdistanced us on this one," Wyatt said.

Spokesmen at Coastal's Houston headquarters acknowledged Wednesday several recent reports of the pipeline's demise, but declined comment. Although the pipeline has not been built, Coastal spent more than $150 million on pipe, compressors and right of way needed to build the 600-mile project.

The company should lose no more than $8 million to $10 million on the scrapped venture because it can sell the pipe and other equipment or use it on another Coastal project, Wyatt said.

Coastal and Tenneco had stuck by plans for the parallel pipelines for the past year, despite analysts' claims the market for gas in California was not big enough to support both projects.

Both companies fought for approval from federal regulators, lined up customers and insisted construction would begin this month. But Tenneco's larger project and firm customer contracts apparently doomed WyCal.

"It appears that from a business standpoint, Coastal just didn't feel like it had the nod," said Carol Freedenthal, a Houston natural gas consultant. "Reality set in and they said, 'Wait a minute, we've got a problem.'"

Tenneco's Kern River pipeline is backed by a joint venture of Tenneco and the Williams Cos. of Tulsa, Okla. Although it runs a virtually identical route to WyCal, Kern River is 300 miles longer and, with a capacity of 700 million cubic feet of gas a day, is designed to carry more gas. WyCal's capacity would have been 600 million cubic feet.

"Kern River can drive a sharper pencil on on the economics of the project," said Robert Christensen, an analyst with Mabon Nugent & Co. "They won the showdown." Tenneco declined comment on how WyCal's demise could affect its project.

Many companies that had agreed to buy WyCal gas are expected to switch to Kern River. Most of the firms - including electric utilities and heavy-oil producers - had bought space on both lines, assuming only one ultimately would be built.

"Everybody was sort of hedging their bets," said Michael Day, deputy general counsel of the California Public Utility Commission. "There was not, in our view, a market for all of those projects. There had to be a shakeout."

Most pipeline industry experts viewed the WyCal-Kern River competition as the first major test of the federal government's loosened grip on an industry long sheltered from risk.

"It was inevitable that one of them would fall out," said Commissioner Jerry Langdon of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. "This at least provese that it was market discipline that finally picked a winner."

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MOSCOW (DEC. 12) UPI - The Baltic republics are using the Soviet food crisis to demonstrate their independence, with Estonia turning down a share of international aid Wednesday and Lithuania talking of donating to the relief effort.

The Estonian Parliament passed a resolution saying food supplies in the republic ''are still at sufficient levels to refuse charity aid from foreign states,'' although the republic does need drugs and medical supplies.

And in Lithuania, President Vytautas Landsbergis suggested to Parliament before he left for a North American trip that they ''discuss the question of rendering food assistance to the U.S.S.R.,'' but no official proposal was made the newspaper Komsomolskaya Pravda said Wednesday.

Shortages blamed primarily on distribution problems and subsequent panic buying and hoarding have left store shelves barer than usual in large Soviet cities this winter, prompting billions of dollars in international relief efforts.

President Mikhail Gorbachev's office announced Tuesday that 1,272 tons of food aid already had arrived and more was coming daily, including a planeload of 7 tons of oranges and other produce from Israel that was to arrive Wednesday night.

It is embarrassing to many Soviets that their country with its huge agriculture industry and other natural resources was forced to appeal to other countries for food, and the Baltic republics seem to be using the issue to demonstrate their self-declared independence.

Komsomolskaya Pravda said Landsbergis' statement ''could certainly be regarded as propaganda,'' since Lithuania is still part of the Soviet economic system despite its March declaration of independence, but the newspaper noted that the republic probably does have enough food to ''render assistance.''

While dependent on the Soviet Union for oil and other raw materials, the Baltic states of Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia are generally more prosperous than other Soviet republics and are mostly self-sufficient for food.

Even during the Kremlin's economic blockade of Lithuania after its declaration of independence, shops in Vilnius, the republic's capital, were full, and visitors from Russia said they were amazed at the variety of goods available.

The resolution by Estonia turning down the foreign aid came in response to a request by U.S.S.R. Deputy Premier Lev Voronin, who is coordinating the relief effort for the Kremlin, which the republic set up a center for processing its share of assistance.

''Estonia declines its share of the foreign food aid rendered to the Soviet Union,'' Estonian Prime Minister Edgar Savisaar told Voronin Wednesday in a telegram quoted by the official news agency Tass.

Savisaar said Estonia would accept help with its shortages of medical supplies and the decision to turn down food aid also did not affect exchanges between specific foreign and Estonian ''sister cities.''

The Estonian Parliament's resolution thanked countries that had offered help and ''called the attention of the governments to measures which could really

support and help the Estonian republic'' - an apparent reference to the perceived lack of serious international support for Baltic indepdendence from the Soviet Union.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Flour Corp	Q	.08	1-16	12-26
Usual				
Cross (AT) Co	Q	.32	2-14	1-31
First AmFed Corp	Q	.20	1-11	12-31
Granite State Bksh	Q	.09	1-15	1-2
Intertrans Corp	Q	.05	1-2	12-21
Lowe's Companies	Q	.13	1-31	1-18
Mutual Svgs Lf Ins	Q	.25	12-28	12-21
Pioneer Hi-Bred	Q	.29	1-9	12-28
Toro Co	Q	.12	1-12	12-26
Trico Products	Q	.25	12-27	12-18
Valley Resources	Q	.15	1-15	12-31
WD-40 Co	Q	.43	1-30	1-10
Wyle Laboratories	Q	.07	1-31	1-15

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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MUNICH, GERMANY (DEC. 12) UPI - American Brad Gilbert, a substitute in the 16-man field, upset sixth-seeded Swede Jonas Svensson, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4, Wednesday to advance to the quarterfinals of the $6 million Grand Slam Cup.

Gilbert, called upon to play following the withdrawal of compatriot Andre Agassi, took command after losing the first set against Svensoon, ranked No. 11 in the world.

In Thursday's quarterfinal action, American Michael Chang, who ousted Swedish world No. 1 Stefan Edberg in the first round, meets Henri Leconte of France, and U.S. Open champion Pete Sampras faces Yugoslav Goran Ivanisevic.

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SOFIA, BULGARIA (DEC. 12) UPI - Todor Zhivkov, the former president of Bulgaria and head of the communist party, has been indicted on charges of embezzlement, published reports said Wednesday.

Zhivkov, who was ousted by reform-minded communists in November 1989, was charged with misappropriating about $3.5 million in Bulgarian currency between 1962 and 1989. Zhivkov's aide, Milko Balev, also was charged with embezzlement.

According to the indictment, which was delivered Tuesday to Bulgaria's Supreme Court, Zhivkov bought cars in the West and resold them at a cost far less than what they were worth to family members and friends.

State funds also were used to pay nurses, rehabilitation therapists, airline stewardesses and others who attended Zhivkov personally, according to the official BTA news agency.

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#90346u0826 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 12) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein replaced his defense minister today with a hard-liner in an apparent show of strength before scheduled Iraqi U-S talks on the Gulf crisis. State-owned Baghdad radio said Saddam in a presidential decree announced the appointment of the new defense minister. Arab diplomats in the Middle East described the new defense minister as a hard-liner who has backed Saddam's moves since the takeover of Kuwait. One Arab envoy in Cairo said the appointment of a hard-liner ''is Saddam's way of telling the Americans his military means business.''

The president of OPEC said today in Vienna that the cartel will return to its 22-and-one-half Million barrels a day production quota once the Gulf crisis is settled. He said the move is essential to maintain oil price stability. He blamed the increase in petroleum prices during the last four months on consuming nations, who he said had refused to draw on their stocks to stabilize the market.

White House chief of staff John Sununu says President Bush will push for a constitutional amendment to limit the terms of members of Congress. Sununu said ''Certainly there ought to be a change in some of the fundamental ways we govern ourselves.'' Sununu discussed the president's agenda during a speech at a National Press Club luncheon.

The Ohio Highway Patrol says the cause of the crash of a hot air balloon that killed three experienced balloon pilots and a passenger may never be known. The balloon drifted across Columbus yesterday and hit a one-thousand foot T-V tower, sending the four occupants falling to their deaths. Lieutnenant Randy Thatcher said investigators can't figure out why the balloon was flying so low.

Ousted Bangladesh President Hussein Mohammed Ershad was arrested today amid reports that the interim goverment is planning to create a tribunal to investigate alleged corruption and abuse of power during his eight years in office. Ershad is being held under house arrest in a diplomatic complex.

Ershad's resignation December 6th ended two months of protest against his government.

An explosion in the inner security zone of a uranium processing plant near Frankfurt, Germany, left two employees injured and one in shock today. A company spokesman said the accident occurred when emission filtering equipment blew up near the area where uranium is processed. The spokesman said that two plant workers were ''slightly'' contaminated by radiation.

Sweden's Parliament today voted overwhelmingly to apply for membership in the European Community, in a departure from two decades of resistance to such a move. The bill called for referendums in 1991 and in 1994, for the people of Sweden to give their opinions about joining the common market. Sweden has resisted membership in the E-C in an effort to preserve both its political neutrality and its model welfare system.

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#90346u0842 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Moody's Investors Service Inc. said Wednesday it assigned an ''A'' rating to a $1.2 billion New York City bond issue set to go on sale this week, following the action of a competitor, Standard & Poor's Corp., of assigning the municipal bonds an A-minus rating.

Moody's action was welcomed by city officials, as it meant there would be no last-minute hitch in the pricing by the city's investment bankers of the bonds and their marketing to investors. Retention of the city's relatively favorable credit rating also would hold down interest costs.

''We're very pleased,'' said Lee Jones, a spokesman for New York Mayor David Dinkins. ''We very much appreciate the affirmation of our favorable rating and we're looking forward to a successful sale.''

A Moody's spokeswoman confirmed the city's bond rating was affirmed at A, an investment-grade creditworthiness classification. On Moody's scale of ratings, an A rating puts bonds in the ''upper medium grade.''

A statement by the agency said the rating ''reflects the depth and long-term viability of the city's economic base and the expectation that the city's administration wil continue to take whatever steps are necessary to maintain fiscal balance.''

Tuesday, S&P gave a similarly positive A-minus rating to the bond issue, but left standing a ''credit watch'' designation indicating that the rating could be lowered if budget woes weren't resolved. The credit watch concerned a total of $15.1 bilion in general obligation bonds.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 69.50-71.25 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 115.625-120.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 37.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $185.00-$195.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $418.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $423.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $104.00-$108.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 276.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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#90346u0871 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
VAL GARDENA, ITALY (DEC. 12) UPI - Swiss ski ace Franz Heinzer Wednesday clocked the fastest time down the Saslonch course as training commenced for World Cup downhill races Friday and Saturday.

The 28-year-old Heinzer clocked one minute 54.71 seconds, 1.07 seconds quicker than Helmut Hoeflehner of Austria. Lasse Arnesen of Norway was third.

''I had a good run today and am looking forward to the race,'' said Heinzer, who was second here last year behind the now-retired Pirmin Zurbriggen. ''My form is good. I have trained well in the summer, have done a lot of ski testing and have changed my ski boots. I think all these things have probably played a role.''

Heinzer placed second behind Austrian Leonhard Stock in the Dec. 8 downhill at Val D'Isere, France.

Last year's training at Val Gardena produced serious knee injuries to four skiers, wiping them out for the season.

Wednesday's training was also not without incident. Austrian Peter Rezhak took a fall and injured his right elbow.

Many of the racers expressed dissatisfaction with their first training run.

''I didn't make a good run today,'' said Stock. ''The top part is a little rough, and slow in parts.''

One problem the skiers don't have to contend with this year is lack of snow. Enough fell in October to form a solid basis on the course and organizers report falls almost every week since.

A further training run is scheduled Thursday.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 12) UPI - A Houston-area company has signed a multimillion-dollar contract to have one of its employees fly as a ''guest cosmonaut'' aboard the Soviet space station Mir.

Space Commerce Corp. President Art Dula confirmed Tuesday that he had negotiated the deal with the Soviet Union.

The company, which Dula declined to identify, will pay more than the $12 million the Tokyo Broadcasting Service was charged by the Soviets to put a reporter in space for eight days.

Dula declined to specify the exact amount the Texas firm will pay or disclose other details, such as the purpose of the flight. Such details must be released only by representatives of the company, he said.

The employee of the Houston-area firm would spend five to seven days in space near the end of 1992, Dula said. The worker would travel in a Soyuz space capsule to and from the Mir space station.

The agreement between the company and the Soviet space agency's manned program was reached last month, Dula said.

Last year, Dula's Houston-based firm brokered a $54 million deal to have the Soviet Union launch up to eight satellites for Energetics Satellite Corp. of Englewood, Colo.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 12) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Wednesday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 83-86; large 79-85; medium 72-78.

Major potato markets: FOB shipping points, per hundredweight unless otherwise stated:

Round reds (100 lb sacks) Colorado 7.00-9.00. Minnesota-North Dakota 8.50-9.50.

Norkotahs and Burbanks (100 lb sacks, non- size A) Colorado 6.00-6.50, Idaho 6.25-7.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) Wisconsin 12.00- 12.50, Washington 13.00-14.00, Colorado 12.00- 15.00, Idaho 14.00-15.00, Oregon 14.00-15.00; (50 lb cartons, 100 count) Wisconsin 8.50-9.50, Washington 10.00-12.00, Colorado 10.00-11.00, Idaho 10.00, Oregon 10.00-12.00.

Round whites (100 lb sacks) Wisconsin 5.75- 6.25.

Colorado centennials (100 lb sacks, non-size A) 5.50-6.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) 9.00- 12.00, (100 count) 7.00-10.00.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $371.50, silver base of $4.07 and platinum price of $423.40:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$386.90	388.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	198.50	199.60
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	102.00	102.50
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.10	42.40
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	386.90	388.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	198.20	199.60
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	102.50	103.00
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.10	42.40
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	393.10	395.20
China Panda .50 troy oz.	202.50	203.60
China Panda .25 troy oz.	105.00	105.60
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	45.60
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.10	27.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	387.00	389.10
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	197.70	198.80
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	100.00	100.50
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.10	43.30
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	385.50	387.50

Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	199.60	200.70
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	102.50	103.00
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	43.60	43.90
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	385.30	387.30
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	198.10	199.20
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	85.10	85.50
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.00	44.30
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.60	23.60
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.47	$5.47
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,190	$3,130
40 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,325	$1,325
Platinum		
Australian Koala	439.00	438.00
Isle of Man Noble	435.00	434.00
Canada Maple Leaf	447.00	446.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein replaced his defense minister Wednesday with a younger, hard-line war hero in an apparent show of resolve before the upcoming U.S.-Iraqi talks aimed at seeking a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Meanwhile, the president of Algeria, who helped win the release of U.S. hostages in Iran, began a mediation effort between rivals Iraq and Saudi Arabia, and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze was to meet with President Bush in Washington for talks expected to focus on the standoff.

State-owned Baghdad Radio said Saddam promoted Gen. Saadi Toamma Abbas to replace Lt. Gen. Abdul Jabar Shanshal as defense minister. Shanshal, in his 70s, was demoted to his previous post of minister of state for military affairs, the broadcast said.

Shanshal was the fourth key Iraqi official to be fired since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

Arab diplomats in the Middle East said Toamma, a younger man who was serving

as general inspector of the armed forces, had backed Saddam from the beginning of the 4-month-old standoff. Toamma also led the Iraqi forces that recaptured the Faw peninsula from Iranian troops in a key victory toward the end of the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war.

''Replacing Shanshal with a hard-liner and war hero like Toamma is Saddam's way of telling the Americans his military means business,'' said one Arab envoy in Cairo who requested anonymity. ''The move is also significant because it comes before Iraq-U.S. talks on the gulf.''

Bush is sending Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad to pursue a peaceful solution to the gulf crisis, and Saddam is sending his foreign minister, Tariq Aziz, to Washington for similar consultations. No firm dates for the meetings have been set.

Algerian President Chedli Benjedid left Jordan on a mission that will take him to Arab rivals Iraq and Saudi Arabia in an effort to mediate the crisis. Benjedid is one of the few Arab leaders still on speaking terms with both the Iraqi and Saudi leaders.

Benjedid previously has conducted successful mediation efforts involving radical Islamic states. In 1980 he helped secure the release of U.S. hostages in Iran, and in April 1988 he mediated the release of hostages aboard a Kuwaiti plane hijacked by pro-Iranian Shiite Moslem fundamentalists.

Egyptian newspapers said Benjedid was mediating between the United States and Iraq, but Bush has denied holding secret talks with Baghdad.

''Benjedid's mission is the most crucial Arab mediation effort on the gulf crisis so far,'' state-owned Cairo radio reported, adding the Algerian leader was expected to meet with both Saddam and Saudi King Fahd.

But the Kuwaiti government in exile was less optimistic. ''Unless Saddam Hussein changes his mind on the occupation of Kuwait, Benjedid's mediation efforts will be a waste of time,'' a spokesman said.

After talks in Houston with Baker on Tuesday, Shevardnadze urged an early dialogue between Iraq and the United States. Washington has accused Iraq of stalling on the dates when U.S. and Iraqi officials are due to meet.

In a related development, France threatened Wednesday to withdraw its support for a U.N. Security Council resolution chastising Israel for its conduct in the West Bank and Gaza unless the text of the document specifically calls for an international conference on Middle East peace.

Bush has insisted that Iraq's occupation of Kuwait should not be linked to the Palestinian issue, and on Tuesday he reassured visiting Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir that Washington would not settle the gulf crisis at the expense

of the Jewish state.

In Tripoli, Libya, the Iraqi-registered ship Ibn Khaldoun, carrying women and children of various nationalities, sailed to the Suez Canal en route to the Persian Gulf on a mission to avert war in the region, the official Iraqi News Agency reported. Its ultimate destination is the Iraqi port city of Basra.

In previous shakeups since the invasion of Kuwait, Saddam fired his chief of staff, Lt. Gen. Nizar Khazarghi, in October in an apparent dispute over the occupation of Kuwait. Earlier, a leading member of the ruling Revolutionary Command Council, Saadoun Shaker, quit for what was officially called health reasons. Arab diplomats said he was fired for opposing Saddam's Kuwait policy.

In October Saddam fired his oil minister, Issam Abdulrahim Chelabi, for ordering the rationing of gasoline in Iraq, giving the impression that economic sanctions imposed on Baghdad over its invasion of the emirate were working.

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OMAHA (DEC. 12) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 500; not enough steers or heifers on offer to properly establish market considered sales steers and heifers firm. Slaughter steers small lots choice 2-4 1150- 1300 lbs. 82.00-83.00. Slaughter heifers similar volume choice 2-4 1050-1150 lbs. 82.00- 83.00.

Hogs 3,000; barrows and gilts 75 to 1.00 lower, uneven however. U.S. 1-3 220-250 lbs. 49.00-49.25; U.S. 2-3 250-270 lbs. 47.50-49.25, 260-270 lbs. ranged 47.50-49.25, 280-300 lbs. 45. 00-46.00. Sows 30 percent. steady to 50 lower. U.S. 1-3 350-500 lbs. 37.00-37.25; U.S. 2-3 500- 650 lbs. 38.50-39.50, few 40.00. Boars 300-700 lbs. 38.00, 200-300 lbs. 39.00-39.50.

Sheep 100; slaughter lambs choice and prime 110-130 lbs. shorn No. 1 and 2 pelts 45.00-47. 00. Wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 110-130 lbs. 43.00-45.00, in both categories weights outside these ranges discounted, shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No. 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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#90346u0935 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
DEARBORN, MI (DEC. 12) UPI - The president of Ford Motor Co., acknowledging the economy is already in a recession, said Wednesday company earnings will be weak in 1991 following a loss for the current quarter, and that further white-collar job cuts can be expected.

Speaking at a breakfast press briefing, Philip E. Benton Jr. said the No. 2

automaker's expected fourth quarter loss will stem from severe weakness in the North American market, compounded by poor performances of its operations in Europe, Latin America and Australia.

"It still is largely a North American problem and still will be in 1991," Benton said, saying that profits, which are at "abysmal" levels to start with, are under enormous pressure because of lower sales and higher marketing costs.

Analysts expect Ford to post its first quarterly loss since 1982 for the final quarter of 1990, with net losses ranging from about $225 million to $330 million. That compares with a $314 million profit earned during the year-ago fourth quarter.

As a result, Benton held out little hope Ford would pay its U.S. workers any profit-sharing checks for either this year or next - although he said there is little chance Ford will lower its quarterly dividend of 75 cents a share.

"There is an opportunity for Ford to make money in North America in 1991," he said, but added later that "1991 is likely to be a very difficult year" before things improve in 1992.

Benton also said that as part of its ongoing cost reduction efforts, Ford will trim its white-collar workforce by "one or two percent over the attrition rate " which is now close to five percent a year. "It will not be massive layoffs," he said, adding that cuts will be made through attrition and early retirement incentives." Ford now has about 55,000 salaried workers in the United States and Canada.

The nation's No. 2 automaker now believes total U.S. vehicle sales for 1990 will be closer to 14.2 million cars and trucks, because Iraq's invasion of Kuwait in August wiped out any expected firming of the market. Ford further expects sales to slip to about 13.5 million units next year before heading up again in 1992 and 1993.

Ford now commands about 21 percent of the U.S. car market and 29.5 percent of the light truck market. Benton declined to disclose specifc market share gains for Ford, although he said improvements are expected, despite continued gains by Japanese automakers.

Benton said the economic outlook is being clouded by the Mideast crisis, and that the outcome of the Persian Gulf situation will have a great bearing on an already soft economy and crude oil pricing. But he said that the auto industry is notorious for being unable to respond quickly to economic downturns. "We underestimate the impacts of these swings," he said, adding that "when we do hit a recision, a lot of things go wrong.

"I don't see any likelihood that the industry is going to avoid that kind of a violent swing, to what you might call a relatively modest general economic

swing." On other matters, Benton said:

- Ford's aggressive production cuts for through March should be adequate, and that it is more likely units will be added that output be trimmed further.

- Ford has no plans to rid itself of its First Nationwide banking subsidiary despite poorer-than-anticipated financial results and the current savings and loan crisis.

- competitiveness will be determined at the plant level, and that Ford's recently signed national labor pact with the United Auto Workers union will do little more than retain "the good will" between Ford and its workers.

- Ford's foray into Eastern Europe will begin with establishing facilities to service used Fords coming from the West.

- establishing higher quality levels and product plans are underway at Jaguar, which was acquired by Ford late last year for about $2.5 billion.

- Ford has an aggressive electric vehcile program underway to meet stringent air quality proposals in California, but the vehicle itself is not ready.

- Ford will concentrate on sprucing up its light truck line for 1992.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - President Bush accepted Wednesday the long-rumored resignation of Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos, as critics contended his stoic stewardship failed to help Bush make good on his pledge to be the ''education president.''

Bush made the announcement at a Cabinet meeting. The resignation is effective Saturday, after Cavazos gives a commencement address to West Virginia University.

Cavazos, the first Hispanic American to be named to the Cabinet, did not give a reason for the resignation. Undersecretary Ted Sanders was named acting secretary until a successor is nominated.

Cavazos, 63, was first appointed by President Reagan in August 1988 to succeed William Bennett and was held over by Bush. Cavazos had been president of Texas Tech University when he joined the Reagan administration.

''With deep regret I accept your letter of resignation,'' Bush said in a letter. ''For more than two years, and under two presidents, you have distinguished yourself through your devotion to improving the education of our nation's children.''

But during his tenure, critics complained he did not use his office as a ''bully pulpit'' to encourage educational improvement and that student achievement actually got worse.

Even Cavazos called the most recent Nation's Report Card, using 1988 data, ''a compendium of disappointment.'' It found that most students cannot analyze what they read, cannot handle moderately challenging math problems and have a limited understanding of American history.

The resignation was not entirely unexpected, as Bush has been forced in the past year to defend Cavazos from critics who contended he was not doing enough to advance administration goals in education.

''I think what they (the White House) probably realized was that Democrats are going to attack Bush on his infamous pledge of being the education president and use it, in part, during the 1992 re-election campaign,'' said Bob Beckel, a Democratic consultant. ''Cavazos was not a very aggressive guy ... and one thing is for sure: things have gotten worse.''

Ginny Terzano, spokeswoman for the Democratic National Committee, contended the administration has gotten ''intellectually tired'' on domestic issues.

''The level of commitment on domestic and education issues is horrendous. He has failed miserably on this,'' she said. ''Just look at the statistics on children's achievement and illiteracy.''

But an administration official defended Cavazos, calling him a ''gentle persuader.''

''Lauro Cavazos is a trained scientist. He has the mind of a steel trap. He does his homework and has a remarkable ability to remember things,'' the official said, who did not want to be identified.

Keith Geiger, president of the National Education Association, the nation's largest teachers' union, said, ''If there is one area that I would give him the most credit ... it is in the whole area of bilingual education.''

Rumors of his resignation have persisted, even after Cavazos's high- profile role at Bush's ''education summit'' last year in Charlottesville, Va., where the president convened the nation's governors for a first-time discussion of national educational goals for the year 2000.

Recently, Cavazos has been a strong advocate of educational choice - allowing students to decide which school to attend. He argued that school choice would make schools compete to be the best.

But he was hit with strong criticism by teachers' unions and others, who said

it effectively avoids the difficult task of improving the schools - usually located in the inner-city - where students do not want to attend.

''I feel that we wish the administration had something other than choice on its mind, because we don't think that's the answer to plummeting test scores '' said June Million, spokeswoman for the National Association of Elementary School Principals, adding she thought Cavazos was a ''friend'' of early childhood education programs.

Some suggested replacements for Cavazos - although none has been officially announced - include former New Jersey Gov. Thomas Kean, now president of Drew University, and former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander.

The resignation leaves two vacancies in the Bush Cabinet. Elizabeth Dole resigned as labor secretary last month and a successor is expected to be named to her post before the end of the year.

White House chief of staff John Sununu said several names were being considered for the labor position, including a number of women.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - The television industry was urged Wednesday to take advantage of a new antitrust exemption to draft voluntary guidelines for reducing the amount of violence depicted in television programs.

''The evidence is overwhelming that TV violnce adds to violence in our society and there has to be a way to deal with that,'' said Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., a sponsor of the bill recently signed into law by President Bush.

The law grants a limited three-year exemption from antitrust laws that will permit representatives from networks, studios and other segments of the industry to get together and develop guidelines for when, how and how much much violence should be depicted on television.

The act is an outgrowth of several studies reported over recent years indicating that violence on television has an unhealthy effect on children and even some adults.

The studies show that ''repeated exposure to violence on television not only makes children more likely to commit violent acts, but desensitizes them to the effects of violence in the real world,'' Simon and Rep. Dan Glickman, D-Kan., co-sponsor of the bill, said in a letter to broadcast officials.

Some television executives have expressed opposition to any government move to influence program content, but Simon and Glickman said they were hopeful the industry will respond to the opportunity.

''My belief is that the industry will get together and I hope can establish some standards. ... We can have healthier television fare in this country,'' Simon said at a news conference.

Glickman stressed that the guidelines are voluntary. ''This law respects First Amendment freedoms and is not coercive: Congress is not telling the television industry how to write guidelines, and there is no penalty if nothing results from joint discussions.''

Action by the industry also was urged by representatives of various family and health groups.

Dr. Francis Palumbo of the American Academy of Pediatrics said, ''Anyone who watches TV can attest that violence is rampant, that it is commonly used to resolve conflict and that violent acts are carried out by both heroes and villains.''

''This year alone, the average child in the United States will witness 1,000 muders, rapes and assaults while viewing television. Violent episodes on prime time television tripled between 1980 and 1988, '' Palumbo said.

Arlene Zielke of the national PTA said the networks ''have a public responsibility to provide better and alternative programming for children and families.''

She said the networks can no longer use the threat of antitrust violations ''as an excuse to not come together'' and agree on programming guidelines.

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ATHENS, GREECE (DEC. 12) UPI - Greece will help Turkey secure membership in the European Community if Ankara shows a willingness to resolve the Cyprus problem, Foreign Minister Antonis Samaras said Wednesday.

Greece has used its veto powers to keep Turkey out of the EC for several years but that could come to a halt.

Samaras told reporters: ''We will help Turkey enter the European Community if Turkey shows willingness ... to settle the Cyprus problem.

Samaras said: ''We welcome Turkey's turn toward the West (an apparent reference to its help in the Persian Gulf crisis) and want it to continue. This orientation can constitute the prerequisite for resolving the Cyprus problem.''

The Cyprus issue, which arose from the Turkish invasion of the East

Mediterranean island in 1974, has been a major factor in strained relations with Greece. Both countries are members of NATO.

Turkey still maintains several thousand troops in northern Cyprus and Greece has recently drawn parallels between the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and Turkey's action in Cyprus.

Last month, Greek Prime Minister Constantine Mitsotakis met Turkish President Turgut Ozal in Tokyo for the coronation of Empoeror Akihito.

The two sides agreed to continue high-level meetings to resolve outstanding differences between them, including Cyrpus and the dispute over oil exploration rights in the Aegean continental shelf.

Samaras said if Ankara made a substantive goodwill gesture toward resolving the Cyprus issue, Greece would try to smooth Turkey's efforts to enter the European Community.

He indicated that Athens would lift its veto on Turkey's entry at the fourth financial protocol between Turkey and the Community.

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#90346u1003 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 12) UPI - A bomb exploded Wednesday near a building in Riga belonging to the Latvian Communist Party but there were no casualties, the official Tass news agency said.

It said the bomb went off at 3:15 a.m. near the entrance to the sociopolitical center of the Latvian Communist Party's central committee.

The press office of the Communist Party called the blast ''blatantly political.''

''The incident confirms the conclusion of the recent 25th Party Congress that destructive forces in the republic are still planning to do away with the Latvian Communist Party,'' Tass said.

There were no injuries and Tass gave no indication who might have set off the explosion.

The Latvian Communist Party, like the parties in the other Baltic republics, is divided. One branch is still loyal to Moscow and the other advocates an independent line.

The three Baltic republics have declared independence with Lithuania's declaration of sovereignty the most radical.

Talks, promised by Moscow with Vilnius on Lithuanian independence, have yet to begin.

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#90346u1015 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (DEC. 12) UPI - A prominent journalist for Der Spiegel, the news magazine noted for uncovering of spy scandals, is being investigated for allegedly spying for former East Germany, an official spokesman said Wednesday.

State prosecutor Lothar Kuntze confirmed a report on ARD-German television that said the reporter, Diethelm Schroeder, the magazine's expert on military and intelligence issues, was under investigation for allegedly spying on colleagues, politicians and military maneuvers to East Germany.

His reports allegedly were delivered to the East German State Security Department, known as Stasi, between 1964 and 1987, the broadcast said.

The journalist declined to be interviewed for the program, but his lawyer said ''Schroeder cannot explain the raised accusations and believes this is a mix-up. He hopes there will be quick clarification.''

Der Spiegel officials said Schroeder had requested and was granted leave of absence.

A former high-ranking Stasi official, Werner Gaertner, told ARD that Schroeder was infiltrated into West Germany as a refugee in 1964 and started to work for the daily Bild Zeitung before switching to Der Spiegel in 1976.

Schroeder was based in Bonn and later in Berlin. He covered military, defense and intelligence issues, knew high-level politicians and top generals and was the first journalist to fly in the German army's Tornado jet fighter.

Gaertner told the television station that Schroeder was very useful to the Stasi and received the bronze, silver and gold medals for his excellent service.

Schroeder was reportedly offered - and turned down - the job of West German Defense Ministry spokesman in 1982.

The report followed renewed accusations against top politicians in eastern Germany, including former East German Prime Minister and current Cabinet member Lothar de Maiziere.

Ironically, Der Spiegel refueled suspicions that de Maiziere had acted as Stasi informer. After similar claims were first made earlier this year, investigators said they found no evidence to support them.

De Maiziere became the first and last freely elected prime minister of East Germany, serving from March until Oct. 3, when the two Germanys united. He was then named minister without portfolio and elected deputy chairman of Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union.

Last week, de Maiziere asked the German authorities to reopen the investigations so that his name may be cleared.

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#90346u1027 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (DEC. 12) UPI - Futures-related selling and weakness in the British pound combined to send stock prices lower in sluggish trading Wednesday on the London International Stock Exchange.

Stocks rebounded sharply in Frankfurt.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which fell 16.7 points Tuesday, fell another 8.9 points to 2,156.9. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 13.8 points to 1,692.2.

Volume amounted to about 504 million shares compared with 826 million shares Tuesday.

Analysts said the trading mood was cautious as institutional investors disappointed in their electricity stock allocation were hesitant to pay the big premiums required to get stock in the secondary market.

On Tuesday, trading was extended by 90 minutes as activity on the oversubscribed electricity distribution company ''discos'' swelled volume to 826 million shares.

Trading in the 12 electricity company ''disco shares'' averaged profits on the first day of around 51 percent, with many investors rushing to sell the shares oversubscribed 10.7 times.

The government received 10.2 million applications for shares from private citizens and institutions, making it the most popular privatization scheme in the British government's program.

The 12 companies which began trading included, Eastern Electricity, Manweb, Midland Electricity, Northern Electric, Norweb, Seeboard, Southern Electric, South Wales Electricity, South Western Electricity and Yorkshire Electricity.

Sterling's shaky performance against the German mark also dampened expectations of an interest rate cut before Christmas.

On the trading floor, Ransomes Sims & Jefferies, a mechanical engineering

company, joined the growing list of casualties on the corporate trading front.

Ransomes fell 36 cents to $1.42 after dropping as low as $1.25 on the company's warning that profits this year will not meet market expectations.

In the property sector, Hammerson Group jumped 25 cents to $11.40 amid speculation Hong Kong Land was negotiating the acquisition of Standard Life's 20 percent stake in the property group as prelude to a full-scale bid.

In Frankfurt, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed sharply higher in moderate trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which lost 12.12 points Tuesday, rebounded 24.56 points to 1,517.24.

Analysts said short-covering and strong foreign buying interest helped to boost prices higher across the board.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - The annual ''Geminid'' meteor shower should be especially festive this year because a dark, moonless night is expected for the peak period of shooting stars Thursday night into Friday morning.

Skywatchers who get away from urban lights should be able to see about 75 shooting stars an hour - or about one every minute - beginning at about 7 p.m. EST and continuing through the night.

''I usually recommend that people go out, take a lawn chair, bundle up, kick back and basically look at the whole sky,'' Geoffrey Chester of the National Air & Space Museum's Albert Einstein Planetarium in Washington said Wednesday.

While no special equipment such as binoculars or telescopes are needed, observers should get as far away from urban lights as possible because they obscure viewing.

The Geminid meteor shower, which occurs between Dec. 7 and Dec. 16 and always peaks around Dec. 13 and Dec. 14, has been seen since 1838 and is one of the two most spectacular showers that occur annually.

The annual Perseid Meteors around Aug. 11 usually get more attention because the weather is more inviting.

But this year's Geminid shower may attract more attention because the moon will only be a dim crescent and will not rise until about dawn Friday, meaning the sky will be very dark.

The shower occurs when Earth passes through a band of cosmic dust left behind by a comet orbiting the sun. The remains of the comet is believed to be an asteroid called Phaethon.

The band of dust varies in density and the part of the band Earth will pass through this year is expected to be relatively dense, meaning it will produce a relatively large number of shooting stars, Chester said.

''Since about 1960 they have been slowly building up to a higher and higher rates,'' Chester said. ''The peak occurred in 1988 and they may be slowly winding down.''

The material, ''essentially like grains of sand,'' the largest of which are about the ''size of a pinhead,'' slams into the Earth's upper atmosphere at speeds of about 22 miles per second, burning up and heating a column of air that produces light, he said.

''It burns and usually what's left of it is a very fine ash, which stays in the upper atmosphere,'' he said.

The meteors are called Geminids because of an optical illusion that makes it appear that the meteors are spurting from a star called Castor, which is located in the Gemini constellation.

To observers on Earth, material appears to be heading towards them in the same way that snow appears to be heading directly at someone driving down the highway in a snowstorm at night with their high beams on, he said.

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#90346u1044 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NAIROBI, KENYA (DEC. 12) UPI - About 100 Westerners flew to Kenya Wednesday to escape bloodshed and looting in the Somali capital Mogadishu, a city where gunmen now rules the streets and the government is close to total breakdown.

U.N. staff, diplomats' families and aid workers were among those arriving at Nairobi's Jomo Kenyatta airport after the U.S. embassy and other foreign organizations advised dependents to leave.

The Somali government put its security forces on full alert one week ago amid reports that rebels fighting a 9-year-old civil war were within 30 miles of the capital. It ordered President Siad Barre's Special Military Police to shoot bandits on sight.

But evacuees arriving in Nairobi said they were less worried by the Somali National Movement rebels and more concerned at the total breakdown of law and order in the city, with bands of armed men - some of them police - stealing cars and fighting tribal shooting wars through the streets.

''It seems like it's deteriorating slowly every week, every month,'' said Al Lippencott of Savannah, Ga., a World Bank contractor who had been working on port expansion at Mogadishu. ''There's quite a bit of gunfire at night. There's tribal killings. We never go out of the house at night.

''I understand that the U.N. had a special flight and flew out 100 people (Tuesday),'' Lippencott said. ''And there''s another plane ''Lippencott

Last weekend the United States advised all non-essential personnel to leave Somalia. Most aid agencies are pulling out staff, often simply because their offices have been so looted that they can no longer function. About 30 Chinese aid workers also left on the plane.

''There is no sense in the situation,'' said Dr Lauri Mikkola, a Finnish forestry officer. ''They started robbing the four-wheel-drive vehicles first outside and then in the city and then even in the daytime. Even bazookas were used and machine-guns.

''One of our experts was attacked,'' Mikkola said. ''He was just in a bakery, paying for bread. ... He was hit on the back of the head. ... They were standing over him with guns. He has a fractured skull.''

Another Finn, Tor Lindholm of the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization, described how even on the Mogadishu golf course ''a bullet just went past me.''

''The Americans are not even allowed to go into town any more,'' he said.

Barre's government is essentially bankrupt, his armed forces are demoralized and, according to some reports, he has hired white mercenaries to try to stave off complete military collapse in the country's civil war. The United States, Italy and most Arab countries across the Red Sea have cut off aid.

One Western diplomat, speaking anonymously, recently said that ''Somalia, having been dragged reluctantly into the 20th century, has now left it again.''

Only British Ambassador Ian McCluney, also on the Mogadishu flight, had words of optimism. ''Things have quietened down a lot in the last week,'' he said. ''The tribal fighting has stopped and things are fairly normal.''

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#90346u1052 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 12) UPI - The latests reports from Boston tell of more than 50 people injured, some seriously, after an Amtrak passenger train from Washington, the ''Nightowl,'' struck the rear of a rush-hour commuter train at the Back Bay rail station. Firefighters had to use mechanical ''jaws of life'' to pry some of the injured from the twisted wreckage. The station quickly filled with

heavy smoke, and emergency crews set about evacuating commuters inside the station even as they worked to get to those aboard the two trains. The injured have been transported to several hospitals.

Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein made another change within his government as he prepares for talks with the United States on the Persian Gulf crisis. Saddam has replaced his defense minister with what Arab diplomats call a hard-line general who has supported the Iraqi ruler throughout the four-month-old crisis.

A U-S-chartered jetliner left Baghdad yesterday with 15 foreigners aboard. NOT one was an American and the State Department says that means the evacuation of all U-S citizens who wish to get out of Iraq appears to have been completed.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze is in Washington for meetings later today with President Bush. He is also set to meet with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir , also in Washington for meetings with Bush. The Soviet-Israeli meeting will be at the highest diplomatic level ever between the two countries. Shevardnadze has suggested the idea of creating both a nuclear and chemical weapon-free Middle East once the Iraq crisis is over.

Zulu chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi and African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela arranged separate peace missions to a troubled black South African township today. Buthelezi was greeted warmly, mainly by Zulu followers of his Inkatha movement. He urged them to lay down their weapons. Factional fighting in the township claimed 52 lives yesterday. A Zulu crowd- some armed with home-made spears- turned Mandela away shortly after he arrived in the area.

Rescue workers are using crowbars, hammers and so-called ''Jaws of Life'' equipment to pry open mangled wreckage left by the worst traffic accident in Tennessee history. The 75-vehicle pile-up yesterday killed at least 15 people and injured 51 others on fog-bound Interstate 75 in southeast Tennessee. The wreckage stretched for nearly three miles along the roadway, and authorities fear more bodies will be found today.

Reputed mob boss John Gotti and three associates were arrested by F-B-I agents in the Little Italy section of New York City and were held overnight... all apparently charged in a sealed federal indictment. One New York report says Gotti was arrested on federal racketeering charges, but other, unconfirmed reports said the indictment may deal with the death of a reputed mobster five years ago.

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#90346u1057 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (DEC. 12) UPI - The International Press Institute, a journalism watchdog, Wednesday asked Chinese Prime Minister Li Peng to free two imprisoned Chinese journalists.

Chen Ziming and Wang Juntao, publisher and editor of the banned ''Economic Studies Weekly,'' were arrested in the fall of 1989 in connection with last year's pro-democracy uprisings, IPI director Peter Galliner said.

The journalists have been accused of ''plotting to overthrow the government'' and ''spreading counterrevolutionary propaganda,'' charges that could carry the death sentence.

But Galliner said Chen and Wang were being prosecuted by the government for exercising their right to free expression.

He called on the government to release the journalists without further charge.

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#90346u1063 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - U.S. coal production will rise for the fourth consecutive year in 1990 to total more than 1 billion tons, but output appears likely to decrease slightly in 1991, the National Coal Association said Wednesday.

The coal industry group said estimated 1990 production of bituminous, subbituminous, anthracite and lignite would reach 1.022 billion tons, about 41 million tons higher than the record 981 million dug in 1989. This 4.2 percent advance is the largest year-to-year increase since 1983-1984.

This year's production in eastern states was expected to be 624 million tons, up from 599 million in 1989. Output from western states was expected to be 398 million tons in 1990, up from 382 million tons.

Association economists said coal consumption was expected to total 1. 002 billion tons for 1990, another all-time high.

The association said record production and consumption levels in 1990 stems from increased exports and utility demand, particularly an unusually strong effort by utilities to build their stockpiles.

For 1991, the association predicted production could decrease slightly, reflecting flat or declining demand in all markets except the utility sector. Output was expected to fall 1.5 percent to 1.007 billion tons next year, which would be the first year-to-year decline since 1985.

The association said the prediction of lower 1991 production was based on the weakening U.S. economy, which is expected to dampen demand. However, the group said this outlook could change if the Mideast crisis worsens and oil prices rise, encouraging both domestic and foreign utilities to turn to coal.

The association gave this assessment of the major coal-using sectors:

-Utilities are expected to buy 774 million tons in 1990, up 8 million tons from 1989. Consumption is expected to rise 13 million tons in 1991.

-Exports are anticipated to reach 105 million tons in 1990, up 4 million tons from 1989. Shipments overseas, primarily to European customers, are expected to grow by 6 million tons in 1990, but exports to Canada will drop 2 million tons due to a decline in demand for metallurgical coal.

In 1991, exports are expected to remain flat at 105 million tons, but additional business may develop in newly opened Eastern European markets.

-Industrial coal use is expected to total 83 million tons in both 1990 and 1991, up 1 million tons from 1989.

-Metallurgical coal consumption by steel companies is expected to be 40 million tons in 1990, down 1 million tons from 1989. Due to lower steel production, demand for coking coal is expected to decline another 2 million tons in 1991 to 38 million tons.

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PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 12) UPI - A 91-year-old man who shot and killed his brother and sister-in-law last year was Thursday sentenced to 10 to 20 years in prison.

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ARLINGTON, TX (DEC. 12) UPI - The Texas Rangers Wednesday traded third baseman Scott Coolbaugh to the San Diego Padres in exchange for catcher Mark Parent.

Parent, 29, batted .222 with three home runs and 16 RBI in a career high 65 games with San Diego last season. It was his third full year with the Padres as a backup to Benito Santiago.

He fills a hole in the Rangers' game plan for 1991 since Texas was in need of a right-handed hitting catcher to platoon with Geno Petralli.

Coolbaugh, 24, split 1990 between Texas and Oklahoma City, batting .200 with two homers and 13 RBI in 67 games with the Rangers.

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#90346u1122 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

GDANSK, POLAND (DEC. 12) UPI - President-elect Lech Walesa met Wednesday with a member of the American Jewish Committee and promised to fight all forms of anti-Semitism in Poland, Rabbi James Rudin said after the 40- minute meeting.

Rudin, the committee's interreligious affairs director, is traveling around Eastern Europe to form a coalition of political and religious leaders that would combat anti-Semitism that has sprung up as part of the free atmosphere following communist rule.

''The meeting was friendly and open. President Walesa very strongly renounced all possible manifestations which could take place in Poland,'' Rudin told reporters.

The American Jewish Committee, American's oldest human rights organization founded in 1906, is committed to interreligious work.

He said Walesa promised to provide an appropriate remembrance of the 1,000-year tradition of Jewry in Poland that was destroyed by the Nazis during

World War II, and that there would be proper commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the 1943 Warsaw Ghetto uprising.

Rudin noted that 60 to 70 percent of American Jews trace their roots to Poland so there was special concern in the United States about the resurgence of anti-Semitism.

Some of Walesa's own comments were thought to have attracted anti- Semitic supporters in the presidential campaign that ended last weekend.

''He admitted that in his meetings with American Jews (in the United States in 1989), he made some mistakes,'' Rudin said. ''He said he hopes he will not repeat them. He also feels he has been misinterpreted.''

Rudin said the American Jewish Committee hopes to establish exchange programs and other initiatives to fight anti-Semitism. He noted on Jan. 20, a pastoral letter will be read in every Catholic Church in Poland reaffirming the declaration of Vatican II that anti-Semitism is incompatible with Catholicism.

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#90346u1127 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 12) UPI - Six states have sued the GMAC Mortgage Corp. of Detroit and several of its subsidiaries for requiring excess money to be held in homeowner mortgage escrow accounts.

The suit in the U.S. District Court in Manhattan was filed Tuesday by the attorneys general of Iowa, Minnesota, Massachusetts, New York, Texas, and California. GMAC has about 400,000 residential mortgages nationwide.

Iowa Attorney General Tom Miller said an April 1990 report showed as many as 70 percent of mortgage holders nationwide are being overcharged between $2 billion and $4 billion by the nation's mortgage lenders.

"Our report estimated that the 'excess cushion' averages about $150 per homeowner," Miller said. "That means we think lenders are holding several billion dollars that should be in the hands of their customers."

Escrow accounts are held by lenders to pay the homeowner's annual property taxes and insurance. Under federal law, lenders are allowed to hold no more than a two-month cushion of excess funds so they can make the payments even if a borrower is late paying the mortgage bill.

Miller said the attorneys general had asked Housing and Urban Development Secretary Jack Kemp to enforce the federal law that limits the amount of cushion lenders can hold in an escrow account, but inaction by HUD led to the suit.

"Changing this system will have a big impact on Iowa and the entire nation," Miller said. "The large national mortgage companies are very active in Iowa as they are all over the country. If we can urge the industry to change its practices, we'll have a fairer system for consumers and our Iowa lenders as well."

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DETROIT (DEC. 12) UPI - Chrysler Corp. is considering selling a minority stake in its highly profitable financial unit to help raise money after being slapped with downgraded credit ratings this summer, a spokesman for Chrysler Financial Corp. said Wednesday.

Since ratings agencies downgraded ratings of both Chrysler and CFC, the financing arm of the nation's third largest carmaker has found it nearly impossible to raise money in the marketplace to lend to company dealers and new vehicle buyers.

"It's clear that the result of that rating action was to essentially shut us out of the capital markets," CFC Chairman John Tierney said, adding that selling a small stake in the company could reverse that.

Chrysler has enlisted New York investment firm First Boston to look for ways to solve CFC's dilemma, including possibly selling off a small portion of CFC to provide the unit with access to the market and lower its cost of borrowing money.

"All we are doing is looking at different ways on how we can get our credit rating back up," CFC spokesman Bob Heath said, adding that the talks are in a "very preliminary" stage and that it is not known how much of a stake might be sold. The sale is not intended to raise cash for Chrysler, which now has about $4 billion on hand.

Credit agencies such as Moody's Investors Service and Fitch Investors Service in New York, and Duff & Phelps in Chicago, downgraded debt ratings of Chrysler and CFC in June and July.

CFC is one of the best performing finance companies of the nation's Big Three automakers, last year accounting for 80 percent of Chrysler's overall profits. Chrysler's sagging vehicle sales have rating agencies concerned that creditors could come after CFC, should the parent company experience even further declines in business.

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#90346u1160 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - A star witness in the Senate ethics committee

investigation into influence-peddling allegations against the Keating Five senators testified Wednesday in a closed session before the panel under a grant of limited immunity.

The panel is considering whether Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., John Glenn, D-Ohio, John McCain, R-Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich., applied improper pressure on bank regulators to benefit indicted savings and loan operator Charles Keating Jr. and Keating's Lincoln Savings and Loan of Irvine, Calif.

James Grogan, who served as vice president of Lincoln's parent company, American Continental Corp., of Phoenix, and Keating's chief Washington lobbyist, was questioned during an executive session of the committee, said panel special counsel Robert Bennett. Bennett also said the committee was reviewing a stack of documents Grogan produced under subpoena.

Grogan, a former aide to Glenn, was expected to testify about his close dealings with all of the accused senators, arranging personal meetings with Keating and various trips for the senators and some staff members, in addition to delivering hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of campaign contributions.

Before receiving the grant of immunity that compelled him to testify, Grogan invoked his constitutional right against self-incrimination.

Committee members and lawyers involved in the case revealed neither the content of Grogan's testimony nor the subjects on which he was questioned.

None of the testimony given by Grogan under the shield of immunity can be used in any future criminal proceedings against him. Grogan currently faces no criminal charges.

Keating, who contributed $1.3 million to the senators' re-election campaigns and other pet causes, has been indicted on state securities and fraud charges in California and is the target of a continuing federal grand jury probe.

The committee has held 16 days of public testimony from witnesses in the trial-like hearings.

The executive session questioning of Grogan was expected to continue through at least Thursday. Bennett said there is ''no question he'll be a witness in public'' after the private questioning.

Grogan was one of seven Lincoln or American Continental officials, including Keating, who invoked their Fifth Amendment rights in refusing to testify during the hearings.

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RIO DE JANEIRO (DEC. 12) UPI - One of two ranchers accused of killing an ecologist in 1988, triggering international concern about the future of the Amazon rain forest, confessed to the crime Wednesday as his trial was about to begin.

On the opening day of the trial that has become a symbol of the Brazilian national struggle to preserve the Amazon, Darci Alves, 26, said he shot ecologist and rubber-tapper Francisco ''Chico'' Mendes because the man accused his father and codefendant, Darly Alves da Silva, 56, of destroying the rain forest.

''It isn't the first time that Darci has confessed to the crime; he did the same thing during the police investigations but later denied it, '' a court official, who asked to remain unnamed, told United Press International in a telephone interview.

Mendes and the Alves family, all residents of Xapuri, where the trial is taking place, represented the polar ends of the struggle for rights to the Amazon forest. Mendes, the leader of the Xapuri Rubber-Tappers Union ,ccused Alves of burning the forest to clear land for farming and cattle ranching.

Mendes won a United Nations Global 500 prize in 1987 for promoting ''rational'' uses of the Amazon, like the once-booming trade of gathering natural rubber by tapping into trees indigenous to the forest, much as U.S. farmers tap maple trees for syrup.

The Alves family is the wealthiest in the town of Xapuri and owns a 7,500-acre cattle ranch. A few days before his death Dec. 22, 1988, Mendes asked for official protection and accused Alves and his son of plotting to kill him. He was struck by 40 bullets from shotgun blasts at his home.

The start of the trial was delayed two hours by torrential rains until Judge Adar Jose Longuini drew the names of the seven jury members from 21 candidates who had been sequestered.

Longuini outlined the charges to the jurors and explained the sentence will be announced Friday, after the court hears testimony from the defendants, witnesses and forensic doctors, the court official said.

One of the lawyers representing the Mendes family, Marcio Thomaz Bastos, told reporters he plans to call one witness, Maria Jose Urizzi, who will accuse Darly Alves of killing her husband during a land dispute in 1973.

Only 100 people, among them lawyers, witnesses and relatives of Mendes and the defendants, were allowed inside the 59-seat courthouse in Xapuri, a town of 4,000 inhabitants 1,845 miles northeast of Rio de Janeiro.

More than 5,000 people, including thousands of rubber-tappers and human rights and environmental activists, gathered outside the court house.

About 250 policemen under the direction of Federal Police Chief Romeu Tuma milled around to keep order and guard the courthouse.

Officials in Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo set up television sets around downtown areas so citizens could learn about the trial.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - John Gotti, the ''Teflon Don'' mob boss authorities can't seem to convict, was indicted Wednesday on charges of ordering the rubout of Gambino crime family chief Paul Castellano and three other killings.

Castellano's slaying catapulted Gotti to power in 1985.

The indictment also charged Gotti with loansharking, gambling, tax evasion and obstruction of justice.

The dapper Gotti, 50, as usual impeccably dressed, was arrested Tuesday night with three associates at a social club in Manhattan's Little Italy.

''It's the first time we've taken down the entire hierarchy of an organized crime family,'' said James Fox, head of the FBI office in New York.

Gotti was scheduled to appear in U.S. District Court in Brooklyn at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, when federal prosecutors were expecting to ask that he be taken back to his jail cell at Metropolitan Correctional Center in Manhattan.

Andrew Maloney, U.S. attorney for the Eastern District, described his case against Gotti as ''very strong'' - despite three failures by state and federal authorities in the last five years to convict Gotti.

Gotti's attorney, Bruce Cutler, blasted the latest arrest, saying, ''They keep on arresting him and then he sits there for 10, 11, 12 months.''

Prosecutors said Gotti's alleged tax evasion was related to his claim that he worked as a salesman for both a plumbing company and for a firm that provides zippers, hangers and othes items to women's wear manufacturers.

''He's a murderer, not a folk hero,'' Maloney said. ''His real job is boss of the most powerful crime family in this country.''

The indictment charges Gotti that ordered the the slayings of ''Big Paul'' Castellano, his top lieutanant Thomas Bilotti, and another Gambino capo, Robert ''Dee Bee'' DiBernardo.

Castellano and Bilotti were slain outside a midtown Manhattan steak house Dec. 16, 1985, by six gunmen dressed in trenchcoats who raced up to his Lincoln Town Car and cut them down in a bloody fusillade.

Authorities said they believe that Gotti ordered the hit, which allowed him to take over the mob.

Maloney said Gotti was ''at the site'' of the killings, but refused to say just exactly how close.

DiBernardo allegedly was killed on Gotti's order because he failed to attend a meeting after the slaying of Frank DiCicco, known as a close associate of Castellano who allegedly had helped set up his rubout.

The two other murder charges were for the slaying of mobster Liborio Milito, as well as conspiracy to kill Gaetano Vastola, currently on bail pending appeal of some racketeering and narcotics convictions in New Jersey.

Arrested with Gotti were Thomas Gambino, Salvatore Gravano, and Frank Locasio.

Locasio, nicknamed ''Locs,'' is reputed to be the Gambino underboss. Gravano, known as ''The Bull,'' is the consiglieri, or third-ranking member of the group. Gambino is the son of Carlo Gambino, the family's late founder, and a nephew of Castellano.

Charges against Gravano include two murders, conspiracy to murder, solicitation to murder, gambling, loansharking and obstruction of justice.

In the murder of a sixth person, Gravano was charged with urging Gotti to order the slaying, but no one has been connected with the actual killing.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - In an extraordinary day of cross-town shuttle diplomacy, the United States, the Soviet Union, Israel and Angola joined Wednesday in an international effort to solve problems in the the Soviet Union the Middle East, southern Africa and strategic nuclear weapons.

The brightest chance for achieving dramatic results lay in southern Africa with the United States offering to end covert military supplies to the U.S.-backed UNITA rebel forces in Angola if a declared cease-fire does, in fact, take hold.

The political agreement, brokered by the government of Portugal, would put an end to a brutal 15-year civil war in Angola which was, at one time, a conflict-by-proxy between the Soviet Union and the United States.

After two days of meetings this week in Houston, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and Secretary of State James Baker agreed Tuesday that they would end the supplies of ''all lethal material to Angola upon entry into force of the cease-fire.

Baker said in Houston Tuesday, ''I am particularly hopeful that our common efforts on Angola will bear fruit.''

Since the Soviets have apparently shut down their military supply arrangement with the Angolan government, the announcement, in effect, means that the United States will trigger the settlement by ending its covert support for Savimbi if a cease-fire comes into effect.

To try to pin down the agreement, Baker met Angolan Foreign Minister Pedro de Castro Van Dunem, and Shevardnadze met separetly with Jonas Savimbi, president of UNITA. Savimbi has said he will join the cease- fire, but only if his party can participate in a democratically elected government once the fighting stops.

Meanwhile, the war continues, with the fighting disrupting international relief efforts to send food supplies to a wide area afflicted by drouhgt, where hundreds of thousands of Angolans are thought to be at risk of starvation.

Shevardnadze also met separately with Baker, trying to tie up some loose ends left after their talks in Houston. The two arranged to go to the White House to meet President Bush, where the Soviets were expected to press their request for some help in meeting the expected winter food shortages in Soviet cities.

The Soviet foreign minister also set up an unprecedented meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, also in Washington. Shamir, who has made his nation's No. 1 priority the expansion of Jewish immigration to Israel, has expressed his gratitude to the Soviet government for allowing an estimated 150,000 Soviet Jews to emigrate in the first 11 months of this year.

As a result, Shamir pressed the U.S. government to respond to the Soviet requests for food and financial help in the coming months.

Shevardndze and Baker, who met for one hour at the State Department, failed to wrap up all the remaining issues in the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty, known as START. The remaining issues have been described as highly technical, and not major political questions, but they are complicated enough to throw into doubt the date for the planned U.S.-Soviet summit in Moscow.

Both sides had hoped to a have a treaty-signing summit in early or mid-January but the complexity of the remaining details and the time required to deal with the gulf crisis and its effects have taken up much Baker's and Shevardnadaze's working hours.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 12) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	80.85	81.15	80.75	80.85	80.72
Feb	77.05	77.20	76.63	76.68	77.00
Apr	76.95	77.10	76.72	76.75	76.95
Jun	74.75	74.90	74.53	74.55	74.68
Aug	73.20	73.38	72.95	72.97	73.10
Oct	73.20	73.35	73.07	73.07	73.00
Dec	74.25	74.25	73.90	73.90	73.90

Est. sales 14,210 contracts; Tuesday 15,958; open interest: 67,838 up 33.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	88.75	88.80	88.55	88.72	88.72
Mar	86.35	86.50	86.10	86.13	86.22
Apr	84.75	84.93	84.55	84.57	84.65
May	83.65	83.72	83.45	83.55	83.60
Aug	83.00	83.28	83.00	83.20	83.10
Sep	82.45	82.85	82.45	82.70	82.40
Oct	....	....	....	82.55	82.30
Nov	82.20	82.75	82.20	82.50	82.25

Est. sales 1,140 contracts; Tuesday 1,642; open interest: 10,558 up 308.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	49.95	50.15	49.70	49.85	49.85
Feb	48.90	49.15	48.65	48.85	48.75
Apr	46.30	46.70	46.25	46.47	46.33
Jun	49.75	50.35	49.75	50.15	49.95
Jul	50.10	50.45	50.05	50.20	50.00
Aug	48.95	49.15	48.75	49.05	48.80
Oct	....	....	....	44.10	43.92
Dec	....	....	....	44.75	44.65

Est. sales 6,193 contracts; Tuesday 6,153; open interest: 27,077 off 1,705.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	65.80	67.63	65.80	66.93	66.65
Mar	65.50	66.55	65.15	65.93	65.80
May	65.00	66.65	65.00	65.90	66.05
Jul	64.45	65.80	64.45	65.00	65.15
Aug	62.50	63.60	62.50	62.30	62.65

Est. sales 5,217 contracts; Tuesday 4,665; open interest: 12,967 up 78.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of

fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 130.68 up 24 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 130.02 up 26 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.26 up 32 cents, 700-850 lbs. 118.52 up 33 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand good; fresh pork loins firm to 4.00 higher; Boston butts firm to 3.00 higher; skinned hams mostly 9.00 lower; seedless bellies not fully established; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 106.00-111. 00, 18-22 lbs. 104.00-110.00; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 83.00-87.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 70.00-73.00, 20-26 lbs. 60.00-65.00; bellies 14-16 lbs. 58.50, 16-18 lbs. 54.50, 18-20 lbs. 50.50, 20-25 lbs. 45. 50.

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PARIS (DEC. 12) UPI - Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis said Wednesday the United States should withdraw its troops from Saudi Arabia once Iraq withdraws from Kuwait.

De Michelis also said, in an interview with Le Monde newspaper, it is necessary ''to isolate Israel'' to make the Israeli government more flexible on the Palestinian question.

''Iraq has the right to know if the threat of an attack against her will continue if it complies with the (U.N.) resolutions,'' said the Socialist Italian envoy and holder of the rotating chairmanship of the European Community.

Once Iraq releases all hostages and withdraws from Kuwait, all Western troops ''including American forces'' should pull out of Saudi Arabia, De Michelis said.

Asked how the international community should remove the threat of Iraq's huge military machine, De Michelis said, ''It will be necessary to put in place immediately political and diplomatic instruments susceptible to deal with all the problems of the region ... not only the Palestinian question.''

This is necessary ''to stop the arms race and guarantee general security,'' De Michelis told Le Monde.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 12) UPI - Palestinian youths in the Israeli-occupied West Bank stoned a convoy of vehicles Wednesday in which Defense Minister Moshe Arens was traveling, Army Radio reported.

Arens, on a tour of the West Bank, was on his way from the Allenby Bridge on

the Jordanian border to Jericho when his convoy was attacked with a hail of stones, the radio said.

Arens and his entourage were unharmed but one of the cars was damaged, the radio added. Two of the three stone-throwers were arrested by security forces traveling with the minister.

Arens denied earlier reports that the army had implemented new policies to deal with stone-throwers in the occupied territories, Army Radio reported. But Arens said the military is always considering new ways of combating the violence in the 3-year-old Palestinian uprising.

''We are always, in our dealing with the violence, considering the possible steps and are taking those steps that seem to us to be effective,'' Arens said.

Israel's Chief of Staff, Lt. Gen. Dan Shomron, told Parliament's Defense and Foreign Affairs Committee on Tuesday that Israeli sharpshooters were given permission to shoot at stone-throwers in the Israeli-occupied territories.

''I hope we shall succeed in deterring the stone-throwers without the soldiers actually pursuing fleeing children and firing live ammunition as they go,'' The Jerusalem Post reported Shomron told the committee.

The military maintains its guidelines for soldiers call for opening fire only when a soldier is in real and immediate danger. The guidelines also call for warnings before firing.

The crackdown on stone-throwers apparently came in reaction to Jewish settlers' demands for increased security along roads in the Israeli- occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 12) UPI - An Austrian cosmonaut will be launched into space next Oct. 2 in a continuing series of commercial flights, the Tass news agency said Wednesday.

The announcement of the date for the Austrian flight to the Mir space station came two days after the return of a Japanese TV journalist from an eight-day mission to the station.

A British cosmonaut has been training for a flight slated for May but there have been financing problems.

The Austrian cosmonauts training for the flight are Cleens Lothaller and Franz Vienboeck. One will be chosen and the other will be the backup.

The Tokyo Broadcasting System paid at least $12 million for the mission of Toyohiro Akiyama in which he made daily television and radio broadcasts from space.

West Germany has also signed up for a flight, and the French for a series of five flights over 10 years. Spain also has expressed interest.

Vladimir Shatolov, head of cosmonaut training, has said he hopes South Korea will also commit itself to a paid flight and that Japan will sign a long-term agreement, like that signed by France, for regular joint missions with Soviet cosmonauts.

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RICHMOND, VA. (DEC. 12) UPI - An attorney for Buddy Earl Justus asked Gov. L. Douglas Wilder on Wednesday to commute the condemned killer's sentence to life in prison, saying new evidence shows Justus suffers from organic brain damage.

The governor remained Justus's final hope. The convicted killer, who also remained under death sentences in Georgia and Florida, has refused to file any last-minute appeals to halt the Thursday execution.

Justus, 38, is scheduled to be put to death at 11 p.m. EST Thursday for the Oct. 3, 1978, rape and murder of Ida Mae Moses, a Montgomery County nurse who was more than 8 1/2 months pregnant at the time of the slaying.

Lawyer James Copacino told a news conference a doctor at the Medical College of Virginia determined earlier this month that Justus suffered from damage to the frontal lobe of his brain, the area responsible for stemming aggressive behavior.

The injury likely stemmed from two car accidents in his early 20s, Copacino said.

Those incidents, coupled with longterm chronic child abuse, ''turned up the volume on his aggression,'' said Copacino, a Georgetown University law professor. ''Buddy may have simply been unable to control his behavior.''

Earlier this week, the governor, who has refused to intervene in two previous executions this year, indicated he would allow the execution to proceed unless some startling new evidence emerged.

Justus, the oldest of seven children, was beaten repeatedly by his alcoholic father. At age 13, officials say he intentionally stole a pistol, bicycle and a truck so that welfare officials would remove him from his home.

For the next five years, Justus was caught up in a cycle of foster homes,

institutions and short-lived returns to his home in Grundy in Southwestern Virginia.

Justus has acknowledged drugs played a role in a four-day crime spree in October 1978 that resulted in the murders of Moses, a sunglasses saleswoman in Tampa, Fla., and a housewife from Mountain Park, Ga.

If the execution were carried out, Justus would be the 11th person executed in Virginia and the 143rd in the United States since the Supreme Court lifted a ban on capital punishment in 1976.

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PONTIAC, Mich. (DEC. 12) UPI - A note written by a woman before using a retired pathologist's ''suicide machine'' to take her life in a remote park was read publicly for the first time Wednesday at the doctor's preliminary hearing on a murder charge.

A first degree murder charge was lodged against Dr. Jack Kevorkian by Oakland County Prosecutor Richard Thompson in the death of Janet Adkins, 54, of Portland, Ore. last June 4.

The note was read before District Judge Gerald McNally as a defense exhibit.

''I have decided for the following reasons to take my life,'' the note said. ''This is a decision taken in a normal state of mind. I have Alzheimer's disease and do not want to let this progress any further. I don't chose to put my family or myself through the agony of this terrible disease.''

The note was signed, Janet E. Atkins, dated 6-4-90, the day she died in Groveland Oaks Park in northern Oakland County.

An attachment said, ''To whom it may concern, Janet Adkins the undersigned, wishes upon her death, that her eyes are donated for cornea transplant.''

The note was read by Michael Podeswik, an investigator for the county medical examiner who said Kevorkian handed it to him upon his arrival at the death scene. He said Kevorkian met him outside the van where Adkins was still hooked up to the machine with needles and solution in place.

Dr. Jacob Chason, a neuropathlogist with the Mayo Clinic and a semi- retired physician with Henry Ford Hospital and the Wayne State University Medical School, testified Adkins had advanced Alzheimer's disease.

He said he was invited in August to the medical examiner's office to examine brain particles from Adkins. By looking at them under a microsope, he said, he could determine the extent of the disease by plaques within the tissue found

that for a woman of 54 her disease was severe.

State Police Detective David R. Haire, one of two officers summoned to the park, said Kevorkian told him Adkins wanted to commit suicide and he had assisted her. Haire said Kevorkian explained the device, which was confiscated along with his van which was towed to a State Police post where it remains.

Kevorkian's two sisters were with him, Haire said, and all of them followed him to a police post where Kevorkian wrote out a longhand account of events at the park.

Thompson said Tuesday the charge against Kevorkian is based on the ''same precedent and statute'' used by the Wayne County Prosecutor in a similar case. Prosecutor John O'Hair filed a murder charge against a man who helped his cancer-stricken and elderly wife commit suicide in a motel near Detroit Metropolitan Airport in late summer.

''Assisting in suicide is against the law. There is absolutely no doubt there is legal precedent,'' Thompson said.

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MIAMI (DEC. 12) UPI - Last spring was an agonizing time for Russell Maryland.

The University of Miami defensive tackle had graduated with a degree in psychology and was trying to decide whether to turn pro by joining the supplemental draft or return to the Hurricanes for a fifth year.

With some urging from Coach Dennis Erickson, he decided he had something more to prove in college and came back for his fifth year. Apparently, he made the right move, and Wednesday he was named Lineman of the Year by United Press International.

''You have to look at it as a great accomplishment, as kind of a payoff for all the work and everything I've put into it last five years, '' Maryland said. ''It's a great honor.''

It was his second postseason award. Last week in Los Angeles, the 6- foot-2, 273-pounder from Chicago won the Outland Trophy as the nation's top lineman.

A master of moves on the defensive line, Maryland enjoyed a spectacular final. He finished with 96 tackles, 10 1/2 sacks and 19 quarterback hurries.

His finest game may have come in a 29-20 loss to Notre Dame in which he rolled up 20 tackles and a sack to only four tackles for Irish nose tackle Chris Zorich, winner of the Lombardi Trophy for defensive players.

''That was one of my best,'' Maryland said. ''Every time we go and play in South Bend I seem to do well. In the 1988 season, the first season I started, I had a good game. My parents were there, along with lot of people I knew. This year I had made up my mind to equal or top that performance and I got all those tackles and made good plays.''

Four games later, in his last game at the Orange Bowl, Maryland turned in another outstanding performance in a 33-7 victory over Syracuse. He was credited with 11 tackles and three sacks. One of the tackles came 20 yards downfield, catching a Syracuse player who had broken into the Miami secondary.

''I don't know than I've ever seen a guy dominate a football game like Russell did,'' Erickson said of the Syracuse game. ''It had to be the best performance on defense that I've ever seen.

''I believe that they just don't come any better than Russell. For the past two years he has graded out as the most consistent of all our defensive linemen.''

That is saying a lot because last year the Hurricanes had what many called the best defensive line ever with Cortez Kennedy, Greg Mark, Willis Peguese and Maryland.

Maryland likely will be drafted among the top 10 players in the NFL draft next spring.

''I think I play the run a lot better than I rush the passer,'' he said. ''I'm a gap player. I try to play my gap, and if I can I make plays from sideline to sideline. With both the run and pass rush, I have to improve. You can always improve.''

Maryland has been an asset to the Hurricanes off the field as well. For three years, he has been considered the team's conscience, repeatedly admonishing teammates that studying comes before partying.

''Russell is a blessing,'' said Shane Curry, the other starting tackle and Maryland's roommate. ''He's a good influence, keeping my head where it needs to be.''

Maryland graduated on schedule in four years and is working on a master's degree in psychology with an eye toward a Ph.D when he finishes playing professionally.

''This season I wanted to impress,'' he said. ''And graduate courses - they aren't at all easy. It added extra pressure on me.''

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (DEC. 12) UPI - Stock of Hilton Hotels Corp. soared Wednesday on a report a group of Japanese investors may make a $3.6 billion bid for the company, which had put itself on the block last year but found no buyers. Hilton stock gained $4.875 to $40.375 a share in early afternoon trading Wednesday on the New York Stock Exchange.

The report, from financial columnist Dan Dorfman, said that a group of Japanese investors is being put together to make a bid of about $75 a share for the company.

Hilton, which owns, operates or franchises more than 270 hotels, announced in mid-1989 that it would consider a buyout offer. Analysts speculated that such a sale could fetch more than $120 a share, or about $6 billion, given Hilton's well-recognized name and trophy properties, such as the Waldorf-Astoria in New York, Hilton Hawaiian Village, and four Nevada casino-hotels. Some analysts warned, however, the company was highly overvalued at such a price.

The stock initially traded at well over $100 a share in anticipation of a deal. But by late last year it had fallen sharply as it became apparent there was a lack of buyers willing to meet Hilton's asking price - estimated at about $80 a share.

Hilton finally took itself off the block earlier this year after reports emerged it had turned down an offer of $76 a share partly because of concerns not enough cash was involved.

Hilton has earned $85.2 million, or $1.76 a share, on revenues of $799.2 million for the first nine months of this year. It said that earnings were being held down by the "sluggish" economy and excess capacity in some markets, citing increased competition in the Las Vegas market, where the huge Excalibur and Mirage hotels have cut into patronage of older hotels.

One trader said that the report of the new offer was difficult to believe. "The ability and willingness of banks to finance deals like this has deteriorated considerably this year," said the trader, who asked not to be named. "I don't think that anyone expects the company to improve performance significantly."

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HOUSTON (DEC. 12) UPI - The surge in gasoline prices that followed Iraq's invasion of Kuwait will impact the United States' future national energy strategy, an industry consultant predicted Wednesday at an annual oil and gas conference.

"What happened in the Middle East brings home that there is a cost, a

so-called social cost, to imported oil that's not reflected in the price that we all pay at the pump," said Daniel Yergin, president of Cambridge Energy Research Associates.

"Yet we as a country have been moving rapidly to increase our oil imports and are going to become a much heavier importer as the 1990s progress," Yergin told participants at the 11th annual Arthur Andersen Oil and Gas Symposium.

The actions of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein have raised gasoline prices, calculated on the value of 1990 dollars, back to the levels Americans experienced in the 1960s before the oil shocks of the 1970s, Yergin said. "I think the truth of the matter was until Aug. 2, energy was about number 73 on the list of things that the American people cared about," he said.

"I think it's plausible at this time that many people in the public will feel that there is some recurrent issue here, and that this crisis has highlighted it and that we do need to take a longer term view" about energy security.

"Few things seem to make the American people so angry as a rapid increase in the price of gasoline, which can often have major political impact ... In short, the price of gasoline is a contentious, emotional and confusing subject " Yergin said.

During a news conference, he released a statement on his research about the history of gasoline prices. The research was developed while writing his recently released book, "The Prize: The Epic Quest for Oil, Money and Power."

"In 1988, gasoline prices averaged $1.04 a gallon (in 1990 dollars) - the lowest average annual price since World War II. As recently as the first seven months of 1990, the average price was $1.05.

"In short, in the late 1980s and the first months of 1990, the American people were getting their best deal ever on gasoline in the modern period. And that lasted until Saddam Hussein broke the spell by invading Kuwait and making his bid to dominate world oil prices," Yergin said.

His analysis showed the lowest retail price in nominal dollars for gasoline was 23 cents a gallon in 1947. "But making the necessary adjustments for inflation by putting all prices since 1947 into today's (1990) dollars, we get a strikingly different view. In 1990 dollars, that 1947 gasoline price is the equivalent of $1.46 a gallon," he said.

A survey of U.S. executives at the conference showed most of them believe a peaceful Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait is the most likely outcome of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Of more than 750 executives attending the meeting, 348 completed questionnaires for the outlook survey. Fifty-three percent predict an Iraqi

withdrawal without miliary action, 29 percent predicted Iraq would be removed from Kuwait by military action and five percent forecast Iraq would retain control of Kuwait.

When asked about a resolution date, 34 percent of these polled said the crisis would be resolved by March 31, while 31 percent suggested June 30 and four percent predicted a resolution by the Jan. 15 United Nations deadline.

Forty-five percent said West Texas Intermediate, the U.S. benchmark crude oil price, will be $20 to $25 a barrel after the Gulf Crisis is resolved, while 43 percent said oil prices will be in the $15 to $20 range.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 12) UPI - Widespread speculation that President Bush would announce temporary trading privileges to the Soviet Union later in the day sparked a rally in the grain market Wednesday.

But after moving to session highs about midday on the Chicago Board of Trade, grain and soybean futures gave up some of the gains to profit- taking.

Bush was to meet with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and was expected to tell him he was lifting the trading restrictions until June 1991. The waiver would allow the administration to grant export credits to the Soviets for agricultural commodities.

Soybeans were higher and corn mostly higher in anticipation of the announcement.

Trading was choppy earlier in the day. The weakness in soybean oil limited the gains in soybeans, although firm prices for soybean meal kept a floor under the bean market.

Wheat futures were narrowly mixed in relatively light trading.

Country movement was light and basis levels were mixed.

At the close, corn was off 1/4 to up 1, soybeans up 1 1/4 to 2 3/4, wheat up 1/2 to down 1 and oats off 1/2 to 1 1/4.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today replaced his defense minister with a young, tough war hero and ordered air-raid shelters to be constructed in Baghdad. Saddam's apparent preparations for a military showdown in the Persian Gulf come as Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak described the

developing situation as- quoting now- ''extremely serious.'' Mubarak made the remark in a speech to newly elected members of the Egyptian parliament in Cairo.

Mubarak says he will continue his efforts to gain a peaceful solution in the Gulf region to save the Iraqi people from- his word- ''destruction.'' But Mubarak also reiterated his position that Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait.

In Tokyo, Japanese families welcomed home 151 hostages from Iraq with tears and flowers. The Japanese government, meanwhile, worked to secure the release of 51 Japanese citizens who remain in Iraq. The national Japanese T-V station N-H-K reported that the 51 remaining work for Iraqi companies and must get letters from their employers to obtain exit visas.

Doctors at seven Boston hospitals are working on at least 168 people brought in this morning following a rush-hour train accident at the Back Bay railroad station. Amtrak officials say the ''Nightowl'' passenger run from Washington, D-C, derailed on a curve as it headed into the station. It then struck the side of a commuter train just as passengers were about to get off to head to work. Boston Mayor Raymond Flynn, who viewed the scene, called the situation ''horrendous.'' He said it was difficult to even identify the wreckage as being trains.

Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos handed in a surprise resignation this morning, leaving the Bush administration with two Cabinet positions to fill. The 63-year-old Cavazos is the first Hispanic American named to the Cabinet. He is leaving on very short notice. The resignation is effective this Saturday. NO reason is given. His departure still leaves the president looking for a replacement for Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole, who resigned last month.

Published reports in Sofia say former Bulgarian president and communist party chief Todor Zhivkov has been indicted on embezzlement charges. The reports say Zhivkov and his top aide were named in the embezzlement indictments, which charge the former president with misappropriating about three-point-five-Million dollars in Bulgarian currency between 1962 and 1989. One of the charges is that Zhivkov bought cars in the West and re-sold them below cost to family members and friends.

The government now says it arrested reputed New York mob boss John Gotti last night on charges stemming from the five-year-old killing of Gambino crime family chief Paul Castellano. The sealed indictment also named three Gotti associates who were arrested with him and taken to jail. A 50-year-old father of five and grandfather of two, Gotti is known as ''the Teflon Don'' because he has been able to avoid conviction. The dapper Gotti, dressed impeccably as usual, was arrested at a social club in the Little Italy section of Manhattan last night.

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BELGRADE (DEC. 12) UPI - Thousands of people gathered at Albania's main university Wednesday for the launch of the first opposition party permitted by the regime of what had been Europe's last bastion of orthodox Marxism, participants said.

In one of the most far-reaching developments in the 45-year history of the Stalanist-style police state of 3.2 million people, the Democratic Party adopted a program to transform Albania into a Western- style free-market democracy, participants said in telephone interviews.

''We celebrated a victory,'' said Gramoz Pashko, a key organizer of the new party and economics professor at Enver Hoxha University, named after the founder of the isolationist communist state.

Pashko said state television later broadcast the entire meeting, which was held one day after Marxist President Ramez Alia opened the door to the formation of independent parties following three days of student demonstrations.

Thousands of students, workers and intellectuals gathered at the ''Student City'' housing area of the university for the rally at which organizers issued a proclamation of their goals.

''Our objective is the preservation, independence, integrity and sovereignty of the Albanian state, the strengthening of national unity, the implementation of the wishes and aspirations of the whole Albanian people for democratic pluralism and a modern society,'' said the document, which was read to United Press International by an associate of Pashko.

The party pledged itself to ''the peaceful, democratic road, pluralistic and tolerant dialogue'' in fighting for ''basic human rights, the rights of the free man, the right to free thought and its expression, freedom of assembly and unity, of guaranteed freedom of the press, religion and the practice of religion.''

It called for transforming the moribund Marxist-style planned economy into a free-market system with mixed forms of ownership.

Pashko, one of Albania's leading experts on Western-style economics, said the party would run candidates in Feb. 10 elections for the national Parliament that were called by Alia under a program of limited reforms, but originally restricted to officially sanctioned organizations.

The decision to legalize independent parties was made Monday at a meeting of the central committee of the ruling Albanian Party of Labor, during which five of 11 Politburo members and two candidate members were sacked, according to

the official Albanian Telegraphic Agency.

Diplomatic sources said the seven resisted the reforms initiated earlier this year amid rising popular discontent fueled by the fall of Marxist regimes in Eastern Europe in 1989 and an economy ruined by 45 years of self-imposed isolation.

A wider shakeup was expected before the end of the week, the diplomatic sources said.

A communique carried by ATA said: ''The plenum was of the opinion that the creation of independent political organizations according to the laws in force is to the good of the future of the further democratization of the life of the country and pluralism.''

Diplomatic sources said Alia only gave permission to students to form a political organization and that a decision to allow others would have to be approved by the rubber-stamp legislature, which was expected before the end of the week.

''The president only accepted that the students would have their own organization,'' said one source. ''For the time being, we cannot say that other parties will be allowed to participate'' in the parliamentary polls.

Diplomatic sources said Alia met with student leaders Monday to inform them of his decision.

The sources and Albanian witnesses said several hundred students celebrated in central Tirana, which is normally patrolled by scores of Sigurimi secret police. The revelers were watched by thousands of citizens out for the mass stroll taken nightly by Tirana residents.

The developments began Saturday night, when more than 1,500 students staged a protest to demand better housing conditions and more democracy, witnesses and diplomatic sources said.

A delegation presented the demands to Alia at a 1 p.m. Sunday meeting and police dispersed the demonstrators about an hour later, the witnesses said. A student said there were no injuries or arrests.

Witnesses said that on Sunday, virtually all of the university's 7,000 students boycotted classes, which were scheduled to make up for several days of holidays last week. They staged a march, shouted slogans, including ''We want truth and democracy,'' and demanded another meeting with Alia.

On Monday, they said, police prevented students from marching to the city center.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 8 point higher to 5 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.88	9.92	9.77	9.84	9.89
May	9.91	9.94	9.84	9.88	9.91
Jly	9.94	9.96	9.89	9.90	9.95
Oct	9.93	10.01	9.88	9.99	9.96
Mar	10.00	10.10	10.00	10.10	10.02

Estimated sales: 8,676 contracts

Open interest: 109,658 off 482

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.81

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 7 to 17 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	22.50	22.51	22.40	22.41	22.50
May	22.72	22.72	22.55	22.55	22.72
Jly	22.77	22.77	22.65	22.67	22.77
Sep	22.73	22.73	22.67	22.68	22.75
Nov	22.54	22.68	22.53	22.67	22.75
Jan	22.65	22.65	22.65	22.65	22.75

Estimated sales: 857 contracts

Open interest: 10,752 off 1,143

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Gold futures closed Wednesday 70 to 240 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	372.40	373.30	371.50	372.70	372.00
Jan	374.00	374.00	374.00	373.50	372.60
Feb	373.90	375.10	372.70	374.50	373.60
Apr	376.60	378.00	376.00	377.70	376.50
Jun	380.10	381.40	380.00	381.00	379.60
Aug	384.00	....	....	384.00	382.40
Oct	387.10	....	....	387.10	385.40
Dec	389.00	....	....	390.30	388.50
Feb	393.80	....	....	393.80	391.80

Apr	397.00	....	....	397.00	394.90
Jun	400.60	....	....	400.60	398.30
Aug	404.10	....	....	404.10	401.70

Open interest: 112,017 off 372.
Estimated sales: 27,000 contracts.

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#90346u1333 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

WILMINGTON, DE (DEC. 12) UPI - A chancery court judge Wednesday awarded $71.20 a share to the former owners of one million shares of Shell Oil Co. stock in a lawsuit filed over the 1985 merger of Shell Oil into Royal Dutch Shell.

Vice Chancellor Maurice Hartnett also awarded the former shareholders ten percent interest from June 1985, bringing the total value to $110 a share, or about $110 million. Houston-based Shell Oil declined comment until it could review Hartnett's action.

The 1,000 former shareholders, many of them former and current Shell employees opted to seek court appraisal of the value of their stock rather than accept the $60 a share offered by Royal Dutch Shell in the cash-out merger.

Under Delaware law, petitioners may seek appraisal from a court as to the fair value of their stock, rather than taking an offered cash-out price. "Our contention all along was that Shell's foreign-owned parent paid far too little in the 1985 cash-out merger," said Lee Godfrey of Houston, attorney for the former shareholders.

Shell's outside directors in 1984 informed shareholders the lower end of a fair price for the company's stock was about $75 a share, Godfrey said. An expert testifying for Shell during the trial valued the stock at $55 a share. "This was a David and Goliath victory for these shareholders," said Ken McNeil also representing the former stockholders.

Hartnett earlier found Royal Dutch Shell erred in failing to disclose $1 billion in oil and natural gas reserves in materials distributed to shareholders before the merger.

In November, Hartnett awarded $2 a share to the former owners of 15 million shares of Shell Oil stock who did not seek court appraisal. The largest single shareholder in that group was the Shell pension fund.

Royal Dutch owned 70 percent of Shell stock in 1984 when it decided to purchase the remaining 30 percent. The Shell board rejected the Royal Dutch offer, prompting Royal Dutch to initiate a hostile takeover during which it acquired 94 percent of Shell's stock for $58 a share. Under Delaware law at that time, Royal Dutch was entitled to take over Shell once it acquired 90

percent of the stock.

In June 1985, shareholders were given the option of taking $60 a share or seeking court appraisal of stock value.

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#90346u1337 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	371.50 off 2.75
Morning fixing	371.90 up 0.40
Afternoon fixing	370.90 off 0.60
Close	371.25 off 0.25
Paris	373.33 off 1.32
Zurich	371.50 off 1.00
Hong Kong	371.15 off 3.60
New York	
Comex spot close	372.70 up 0.70
Republic cash	372.00 up 0.75
Handy and Harman	370.90 off 1.20

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 372.18 off 1.20 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 390.79 off 1.26 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.026 off 0.041
Republic cash	4.045 off 0.045

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.01 per fine ounce off 0.025

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.045 off 0.035 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.328 off 0. 038

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 420.00 up 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 520.00 up 0.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 93.50 unchanged per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 108.50 unchanged.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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(DEC. 13) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Central Sprinkler Corp (4th Q 10-31)	
$17,803,000	$19,000,000
$1,643,000 (.32)	$1,811,000 (.35)
Explosive Fabricators (4th Q 10-31)	
$3,317,000	$3,261,000
$15,000 (.01)	$163,000 (.05)
Esterline Corp (4th Q 10-31)	
$91,122,000	$74,553,000
$1,602,000 (.25)	$1,935,000 (.25)
General Mills Inc (2nd Q 11-25)	
$1,836,900,000	$1,626,600,000
$118,200,000 (.72)	$91,100,000 (.55)
Intermagnetics General (2nd Q 11-25)	
$16,080,000	$9,515,000
$518,000 (.08)	$126,000 (.02)
Robbins & Myers Inc (1st Q 11-30)	
$38,570,000	$27,259,000
$1,530,000 (.61)	$1,125,000 (.56)
Vallen Corp (2nd Q 11-30)	
$37,972,000	$29,185,000
$1,883,000 (.42)	$1,391,000 (.32)
Virco Manufacturing Corp (3rd Q 10-31)	
$58,010,000	$54,293,000
$1,919,000 (.54)	a-$788,000 (.23)

a-Includes a loss of $218,000 for discontinued operations.

Whittaker Corp (4th Q 10-31)	
$49,823,000	$54,848,000
$5,995,000 (.71)	$9,648,000 (1.11)

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#90346u1380 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (DEC. 12) UPI - The recession is on, but the economy should revive by the middle of next year if there is no prolonged war in the Persian Gulf, a panel of three leading economists said Wednesday. The predictions came at the

29th annual Business Forecast Luncheon sponsored by the University of Chicago's Graduate School of Business.

Walter Fackler, professor of business economics, Michael Mussa, professor of international business and a former economic adviser to President Reagan, and Joel Stern, managing partner of New York consulting firm Stern Stewart & Co., presented their assessements of the business climate for the coming year.

All three agreed the nation's economy is in recession - but said they expect a rebound by the third quarter of 1991, barring Middle East complications. But for the year, they generally agreed the GNP would be flat or slightly lower in 1991. They also predicted declines in both business spending and corporate profits, and an increase in the 1991 unemployment rate to between 6.2 percent and 6.6 percent.

"If Iraq adopts the course of prudence and reason and withdraws from Kuwait during the next few weeks, then relatively vigorous economic growth, combined with much lower inflation, would resume early in 1991," Mussa said. "Assuming events in the Persian Gulf do not get out of hand, the recession of 1990-91 will be the mildest of the postwar era," he said.

But a prolonged Mideast war, accompanied by dramatic oil price increases, would "exacerbate the recession and add fuel to the fires of inflation," he warned.

Fackler said soaring oil prices would "cause serious damage to private investment and durable consumption. The shock would be worsened by an attempt by the Federal Reserve to counteract the oil shock."

Stern predicted a strong year for Wall Street - provided there is no prolonged conflict in the Persian Gulf. "I see the Dow soaring above 2800 in 1991 and interest rates coming down one full percentage point on 30-year government bonds and T-bills to 6 1/4 percent, the prime to nine percent," he said.

Stern pointed to housing starts, real estate prices and the financial services sector as "craters of disaster," and noted that northeast and southwest regions of the country have been particularly hard hit.

All three forecasters agreed government spending will rise next year - fueled by expenditures in the Mideast - and criticized both the administration and Congress for their handling of the budget.

Fackler accused Congress of "blithering about the rich and poor when they should be worried about our high cost of capital, investment, and jobs." "In a very real sense they are thrashing the poor and middle class while pretending to soak the rich," he said.

#90346u1386 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 12) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein replaced his defense minister with a tough young war hero and ordered air shelters built in Baghdad in apparent preparation for a military showdown in the Persian Gulf, while Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak said the situation is worsening.

''The situation is extremely serious,'' Mubarak told newly elected lawmakers in Cairo after the latest developments in Iraq. He said he would continue trying to save the Iraqi people from ''destruction'' but is sticking to his position that Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait.

One Arab diplomat in Cairo interpreted the replacement of the defense minister as a show of strength from Saddam, who the same day ordered landlords in Baghdad to set up air-raid shelters in case of attack.

The state-owned radio, monitored in Cairo, said Saddam dismissed veteran Gen. Abdul Jabar Shanshal and replaced him with a hero of the 1980-88 war against Iran.

The envoy said the new defense minister, Gen. Saadi Toamma Abbas, is considered a supporter of Saddam's hard-line stance. The dismissal was the second important shake-up of the Iraqi military in as many months.

Toamma is both a soldier and a military engineer credited with building the solid defenses around the southern Iraqi port of Basra that dashed Iran's hopes of defeating Iraq in the Persian Gulf War. He has also built formidable, three-line defenses around southern Iraq.

In other developments, Algerian President Chedli Benjedid arrived in Baghdad Wednesday from Jordan and held a first round of talks with Saddam. His mission will also take him to Saudi Arabia in what some observers saw as launching ''the most crucial Arab mediation effort on the gulf crisis so far.''

The Algerian mediation effort came as Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze prepared to meet President Bush in Washington for talks on the gulf crisis.

After talks in Houston with Secretary of State James Baker, Shevardnadze called for early dialogue between Iraq and the United States. The United States has accused Iraq of stalling on the dates when U.S. and Iraqi officials are due to meet.

In a related development, France Wednesday threatened to withdraw support for a U.N. Security Council resolution censoring Israel for its conduct in the occupied Arab territories unless the text of the motion specifically calls for an international conference on Middle East peace.

Bush insists that Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and occupation of Kuwait should not be linked to Israel-Palestinian issues and Tuesday reassured Israeli Premier Yitzhak Shamir that the gulf crisis would not be settled at the expense of the Jewish state.

The stand of France, one of the five permanent members of the Security Council was apparently designed to prevent U.S. wavering, under Israeli pressure, over the text of the Soviet and Arab-backed motion.

Also Wednesday, U.S. officials were quoted as saying contributions to offset the cost of Operation Desert Shield have fallen short of what was promised and singled out wealthy Japan and Germany as having paid only one fifth of what they promised. Despite their heavy reliance on Mideast oil, neither Japan nor Germany have sent troops to the gulf.

The U.S. officials praised the exiled Kuwaiti royal family for paying its $2.5 billion contribution on time.

The call for funds came as Saddam made clear he meant business with the appointment of a new defense minister.

Toamma commanded the Iraqi forces that recaptured the Faw peninsula from Iran during the last stages of the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war. The Arab diplomat described Toamma as a hard-liner and a tough military careerist who since the invasion of Kuwait has backed Saddam's unyielding stance.

''Replacing Shanshal with a hard-liner and war hero like Toamma is Saddam's way of telling the Americans his military means business,'' one Arab envoy in Cairo told United Press International.

The civil defense department has asked all landlords to construct air raid shelters in their buildings and exercises are being held in case the Iraqi capital has to be evacuated, Iraqi newspapers said.

Algeria's Benjedid is one of the few Arab leaders still on speaking terms with both the Iraqi and Saudi leaders.

Cairo Radio said Benjedid is qualified to play a ''leading role in averting
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Egyptian newspapapers reported that Benjedid was mediating between the United States and Iraq but Bush has denied holding secret talks with Baghdad.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 12) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business

day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.45-2.52 up 1/2 to 5 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.91 3/4- 5.94 3/4 up 1 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.29 1/4-2.32 1/4 up 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.37 1/4-2.41 1/4 off 1 1/4 to up 1/2.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

Bonds - Higher.

American Stocks - Higher in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in sluggish trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1/4 to up 1, soybeans up 1 1/4 to 2 3/4, wheat up 1/2 to down 1 and oats off 1/2 to 1 1/4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - A top Education Department official said Wednesday scholarships for minorities may be violating civil rights laws, placing in jeopardy scholarships at historically black colleges and other institutions.

Michael Willians, assistant education secretary for civil rights, who was confirmed in June 1990, said at a news conference departmental compliance

decisions made as recently as 1989 were wrong, based on the agency's theory.

''The Office of Civil Rights has not had a sound, consistent, legally reasonable position and policy to deal with this issue,'' Williams said as he announced a national enforcement strategy.

Scholarships designated for a particular race or minority violate civil rights laws if the university receives federal financial aid, Williams said.

''The determining factor is race,'' said Williams. ''If it is a scholarship for white students, that raises a Title 6 (anti- discrimination) concern.

''If it is a scholarship for Italian-Catholics ... that is race- exclusive. Scholarships for minorities - that is race-exclusive. Anything where a determining factor is race is a race-exclusive scholarship,'' Williams said.

But, he said, ''It's very possible that scholarships at historically black colleges and universities could survive.''

Then, responding to a question, he said, ''Yes,'' the reverse could be true and they could be declared illegal.

Based on his interpretation of civil rights laws, Williams said previous decisions concluding that a university's scholarship was in compliance with the law may be revisited.

One decision ripe for review, he said, is a 1989 ruling that a University of Colorado scholarship for minorities was in compliance with the law.

''Our position would be that that was a wrong decision,'' Williams said.

The American Council on Education, which represents higher-education institutions, said the department's interpretation ''would be a giant step backwards'' in efforts to improve the educational opportunities for minorities.

''If this were allowed to stand, it would reverse over a decade of legal precedent and advice received by institutions from that same office. That advice said that scholarships, if correctly administered, are allowed under the law,'' said David Merkowitz, the council's spokesman.

''We will be advising institutions of higher education to continue their current practices,'' he said.

And a United Negro College Fund official said the policy may raise legal questions.

''Many minority students would have a problem attending college, and of course as an organization that represents minority schools, we have a problem with

that,'' said Michelle Stent, vice president of governmental affairs for the United Negro College Fund, whose scholarships are privately funded, but its recipient schools receive federal aid.

''We're going to look at his statement very carefully,'' said Stent. ''We may have serious legal problems with it.''

The issue comes after a protracted debate, and eventual presidential veto, of the Civil Rights Act of 1990. President Bush argued the bill would have established racial quotas.

Williams said his announcement has nothing to do with the bill's controversy. But Merkowitz said it ''may be politically motivated,'' noting that incoming Republican National Committee Chairman William Bennett has said the issue of racial quotas will be used in 1992 elections. Bennett was education secretary under President Reagan.

Williams said key aspects of the civil rights enforcement strategy include giving ''new emphasis and very high priority'' to monitoring corrective-action plans and increasing staff resources.

The strategy will place special emphasis in 1991 on providing equal education opportunities for national-origin minorities, Indian students with limited English proficiency and pregnant students; segregation; racial harassment; special programs for homeless children with handicaps; and sex discrimination in athletic programs.

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#90346u1407 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 12) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $4 to $9 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - unchanged to 1.25 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 1.45 cent higher to 0.10 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - unchanged to 0.48 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.70 to $2.40 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.70 to $4.40 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.10 to 0.60 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 4.1 to 4.9 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.008 cent higher to 0.005 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90346u1418 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

DHAKA, BANGLADESH (DEC. 12) UPI - Ousted President Hussein Mohammed Ershad was arrested Wednesday amid reports that the interim goverment was planning to create a tribunal to investigate alleged corruption and abuse of power during his eight years in office.

A gloomy-looking Ershad waved at onlookers as police escorted him from his home in the military garrison of the capital, witnesses said. He was shifted to a residence in the luxurious Gulshan diplomatic enclave, where he was being held under house arrest, police said.

Authorities threw up a tough security cordon at the capital's international airport to prevent former Cabinet ministers and other officials of the Ershad government from fleeing the country, police sources said.

Fakhruddin Ahmed, a foreign affairs adviser in the interim government, said authorities also had cancelled the passports of Ershad, his wife, Raushan, and other officials of the ousted government to prevent them from leaving Bangladesh.

He said the government already had begun investigating several officials in the previous government and hoped to recover millions of dollars they allegedly stole and stashed in foreign banks.

Hundreds of students from Jehangirnagar University, many of whom had helped to galvanize the opposition against Ershad, celebrated the ousted leader's arrest by dousing passers-by with colored powder - a traditional practice during times of festival.

Ershad's resignation Dec. 6 capped two months of protest against his government. The president, hoping to smother the movement, declared emergency rule Nov. 27, banning political activity, suspending constitutional rights and imposing censorship.

The move backfired, triggering mass protests in which opposition political parties were joined by lawyers, teachers and bureaucrats demanding Ershad's ouster.

When he resigned, Ershad handed over power to Chief Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed,

who had been named by the opposition as its candidate to oversee a transition government.

Ahmed's government initially said it had no authority to investigate the allegations of corruption and abuse against Ershad's regime, but it had come under increasing pressure to open an inquiry.

Mass protests demanding an investigation prompted the government to authorize police raids on the homes of former Cabinet ministers. Police arrested former Home Minister Mahmudul Hasan during one of the raids.

Newspaper reports in the capital Wednesday said the government was expected to create a special tribunal to investigate the allegations of corruption and abuse of power during Ershad's eight years in power.

In Washington, a spokesman for the State Department said the United States urges ''all parties in Bangladesh, out of respect for the rule of law, to reject violence and to begin the work of rebuilding Bangladesh in a spirit of dialogue and cooperation.''

''We urge full respect for due process of law and political impartiality in the pursuit of any charges brought against former President Ershad or other former government officials,'' said the spokesman, Richard Boucher.

The ousted president took power during a 1982 military coup and later won a 5-year term as president in an election that was largely boycotted by the opposition.

On Tuesday, two opposition leaders, Begum Khaleda Zia of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party and Sheikh Hasina Wazed of the Awami League, reversed their earlier position that Ershad should be expelled from the country. Instead, they said, he should be tried.

''Ershad, who trampled people's will and seized power, must be arrested and tried to seal any future recurrence of such incidents,'' Khaleda told her party during a meeting Tuesday.

''There is no dearth of evidence of his crimes,'' she said. She also demanded that the government freeze the bank accounts and assets of Ershad, his ministers and other officials from the previous administration.

The country's transitional leader, who is required to hold elections within 90 days, met with militry leaders for the first time Tuesday and appealed for their support in conducting a free and fair ballot.

Ahmed also approved a tough law that would impose a life term on anyone caught illegally possessing weapons. The move apparently was an attempt to cut down on the large number of weapons in private hands to ensure the conduct of an

orderly election.

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#90346u1420 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - Ten states produced more than half of the nation's 1988 emissions of carbon dioxide - the chief "greenhouse" gas - and utilities were the biggest contributors, a consumer group reported Wednesday.

The non-profit consumer organization Citizen Action released the study in an attempt to influence the upcoming debate in Congress over future energy needs. The Bush administration is expected to weigh in early next year with its proposed National Energy Strategy.

"As the world's largest carbon dioxide polluter, as the world's largest oil consuming nation and the world's biggest debtor, we have a responsibility to take action" to reduce carbon dioxide emissions, said Edwin Rothschild, Citizen Action's energy policy director.

Carbon dioxide is released when power plants, factories and motor vehicles burn oil, natural gas and coal. Increasing concentrations of the gas in the atmosphere are believed to contribute to the so-called greenhouse effect, which many scientists fear may cause a warming trend.

Studies have predicted that failure to lower carbon dioxide emissions over the next 40 years could result in radical climate changes that could raise sea levels, disrupt agriculture and destroy forests.

"Most scientists agree that huge increases in man-made carbon dioxide pose a dire threat to the world's climate and economy," Rothschild said.

The report found power plants produced 36.2 percent of the nation's carbon dioxide, cars accounted for 29.2 percent and factories 22.9 percent. Homes and commercial operations accounted for the remaining 11.4 percent.

The top ten carbon dioxide emission producing states were Texas, California, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Louisiana, New York, Michigan, and Florida.

Total carbon dioxide emissions increased 14.2 percent, to 4.81 billion tons, between 1983 and 1988, with the largest increase of 15.8 percent in tailpipe emissions, according the report, "The Heat is On: America's Carbon Dioxide Polluters." Some of the heaviest concentrations of carbon dioxide emissions come from electric utility companies in the South and Midwest, the report said.

Ten utilities accounted for 23 percent of the total carbon dioxide emissions generated by the electric utility sector. The largest single emitter was the federally owned Tennessee Valley Authority, followed by Georgia Power Co.,

Texas Utilities Electric Co., Detroit Edison Co., Pennsylvania Electric Co., Houston Lighting & Power Co., Duke Power Co. in North Carolina, Pacific Power & Light Co., Alabama Power Co. and Ohio Power Co.

The report recommended federal policy changes that would lower carbon dioxide emissions. It proposed that the government institute market incentives to double the energy efficiency of new cars and light trucks.

The report also suggested providing an increasing portion of federal gasoline taxes for mass transit; requiring states to reduce tailpipe emissions by 20 percent in ten years; boosting federal grants for energy efficient housing; and funding more research for the development of renewable energy technologies.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - A series of medium-size tremors may presage big quakes in California, and the telltale pattern might be used to improve predictions of when devastating quakes will strike, scientists said Wednesday.

A historical study of tremor activity surrounding the major San Francisco Bay quakes of 1868, 1906 and 1989 found the number of moderate earthquakes increased rapidly on nearby faults one to two decades before the serious quakes.

After the 1868 and 1906 quakes struck, seismic activity dropped off sharply and there were relatively few quakes for periods of 13 years and 42 years respectively, the study showed.

A comparable pattern was also found for the sizeable 1948 shock on the San Andreas fault in southern California.

''The similarity of the sequences in time and space before the three large earthquakes in the Bay area and the 1948 shock argues that these patterns are not fortuitous (chance) occurences, but instead are causally related to those four main shocks,'' Lynn Sykes and Steven Jaume wrote in their study published in the journal Nature.

In addition, the researchers noted high rates of moderate earthquakes occurred in the decades before the large 1703 and 1923 quakes in Japan and the 1957 temblor in the central Aleutian Islands.

Sykes and Jaume, seismologists at Columbia University's Lamont- Doherty Geological Observatory in Palisades, N.Y., conceded the number of examples in their California study is small.

However, the scientists said they were optimistic the pattern would lead to more precise predictions of earthquakes measuring more than 6.8 on the Richter

scale in the Bay area. The information may be able to narrow quake forecasts within a few years to a decade, instead of the 20- to 30-year periods typical of current forecasts.

Based on their findings, Sykes and Jaume said there appears to be a low probability of large quakes on the San Andreas fault north of San Francisco or the northern half of the Hayward fault in the next few decades.

However, the seismologists said it is too soon to tell if people living along the San Andreas fault south of San Francisco and the southern Hayward fault can breathe easy.

That is because it is not known how well the 1989 Loma Prieta quake, which measured 7.1 on the Richter scale and occurred along the San Andreas fault in the Santa Cruz mountains south of San Francisco, fits into the newly discovered cycle. That temblor killed more than 60 people and caused more than $8 billion in damage.

If the number of smaller quakes near that section of the fault drops off during the next several years, Sykes and Jaume predict a large shock unlikely to occur for at least a decade and the threat would reappear only when seismic activity approaches the level just before the 1989 temblor.

But if the number of smaller quakes remains high, the scientists said a second large quake should be expected soon.

''Damage and loss of life in a shock of about magnitude 7 along either the Hayward fault or along the peninsular section of the San Andreas fault (the area between San Francisco and the 1989 rupture), when it occurs, are likely to be considerably larger than those in the 1989 quake. Hence, although such an event would be smaller than the 1906 earthquake, it is likely to be called 'the big one,''' the researchers said.

In an accompanying editorial, Allan Lindh, chief of seismology at the U.S. Geological Survey in Menlo Park, Calif., said in principle, the pattern set forth by the Columbia researchers may help improve earthquake predictions.

''I think if we could narrow it (prediction of a big quake) down to 10 years with some confidnce it would have enormous implications,'' Lindh said in a telephone interview.

Bridges and highway overpasses could be bolstered and substandard buildings could be closed or reinforced during the decade preceding a major shock, he said. In northern California, most homes are bolted to their foundations and would be relatively safe during such a quake, he added.

However, Lindh noted the quest for such patterns has been going on since the early 1920s and some other researchers have not found a build- up of seismic

activity preceding large quakes.

Such cycles appear to be ''dependent in part on geological and tectonic differences between regions, and it is unlikely that any simple universal pattern will be found,'' Lindh wrote.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1023.0
Tuesday	1023.1
Week ago	1007.8
Month ago	1032.7
Year ago	1061.9
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1007.8

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(DEC. 12) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein replaced his defense minister with a younger, tough hard-liner... apparently a move to prepare for war before his talks with Secretary of State Baker in Baghdad. The defense minister is the fourth top-ranking Iraqi official to be fired since the nation invaded Kuwait on August 2nd.

At the same time, the Algerian president- who helped win the release of U-S hostages in Iran- began a mediation effort between Iraq and Saudi Arabia. And Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze is in Washington, where he will discuss the Gulf situation with President Bush.

The long-rumored resignation of Education Secretary Cavazos reached the president's desk today. President Bush said he accepted it ''with deep regret.'' He announced that Cavazos would leave after delivering a commencement address at West Virginia University on Saturday. The 63-year-old Cavazos was named to the post by former President Reagan and held over by Bush. NO reason was given for the resignation.

The breakaway Baltic republics are using the food crisis in the Soviet Union to show their independence from Moscow. Lithuania is talking about donating food of its own to the international effort to help the Soviet Union while Estonia has turned down its share of the food that is pouring in.

An unnamed Houston company reportedly has signed a multi-Million- dollar deal to put one of its employees aboard the Soviet space station Mir. The so-called ''guest'' cosmonaut would fly to the space station near the end of 1992.

There's NO word how much this will cost but the Houston-based Space Commerce Corporation, which put the deal together, says it will be more than the 12-Million dollars the Tokyo Broadcasting Service just paid to put one of its reporters in space.

A sellout crowd of 20-thousand 800 is expected to be on hand tonight at New Jersey's Meadowlands as Francis Albert Sinatra... Frank, to his friends... delivers a Diamond Jubilee Concert. The joyous get-together will be held just a few miles from Hoboken, where Sinatra was born on December 15th, 1915.

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#90346u1479 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	68 3-4	up	3-4
AT&T Company	30 3-8	up	7-8
BCE Inc	34 5-8	unch	
Bell Atlantic	55 5-8	up	1-2
BellSouth Corp	54 7-8	up	3-8
Exxon Corp	50 1-4	up	1-2
Ford Motor Co	26 1-8	off	1 1-2
Genl Electric	57	up	1-4
General Motors	35 1-4	off	3-8
GTE Corp	29 3-4	up	1-2
IBM Corp	114 3-8	up	1 1-2
Mobil Oil Corp	56 1-2	off	7-8
Nynex Corp	74 7-8	up	7-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24 3-8	up	1-8
Pacific Telesis	46 1-4	up	3-4
Phila Electric	17 3-8	up	1-4
Sears Roebuck	26 7-8	up	1
Southern Co	27 3-8	up	5-8
Sthwestern Bell	56 1-4	up	7-8
US West Inc	38 5-8	up	3-8

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday unchanged to 48 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	75.18	75.76	74.76	75.46	75.94
May	74.72	75.23	74.36	75.00	75.45
Jly	74.30	74.90	74.17	74.60	74.92

Oct	68.55	68.55	68.36	68.47	68.60
Dec	65.80	65.90	65.60	65.90	65.98
Mar	66.65	66.70	66.65	66.65	66.65
May	66.80	....	....	66.95	67.20

Estimated sales: 6,500 contracts
Open interest: 41,037 up 590
The World spot average: 69.79

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#90346u1500 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:
Stocks - 11,730,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,192,964,570
Bonds - $3,110,000
1990 to date - $719,986,000

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#90346u1504 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - The whiz kid has a heart.

At 14, Mary Rodas rides a limousine to work and already has a thick file of newspaper clips on her feats as the youngest vice president of a New York toy company. But Wednesday, Rodas showed she's also a wunderkind with Christmas spirit.

Concerned about lagging donations for the Marine Corp Rsserve's annual Toys for Tots campaign, Rodas showed up at the Anacostia Naval Station to donate 2,000 toys from Catco, a grown-up New York toy company where she is a bona fide vice president.

''I was born on Christmas Day so I understand kids want toys on Christmas,'' Rodas said. ''It would be really sad not to have any toys.''

The typical teen braces and genuine manner aside, Rodas isn't Catco's vice president of marketing for nothing. The savvy young executive arrived with Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., in tow and, after charming reporters, laid down the glove to her competitors in a stroke of marketing genius.

Heads up, Hasbro. Meet the offer, Mattel. If little Mary Rodas can kick in thousands of toys for less fortunate children at Christmas, where are the big guys?

After all, Rodas told Conyers and a gathering of young Marines, ''This is Christmas time. They should not just think about business, even if business isn't so good.''

Telling Rodas, ''I'm beginning to get the Christmas spirit because of you,'' Conyers was first to accept the challenge. The Michigan congressman said he would be calling toy companies in the Detroit area, aiming for 5,000 toys for the local Toy for Tots campaign.

The Marine coordinators of the toy drive were grateful. Presenting Rodas with a certificate for ''coming to the aid of these needy children,'' Sgt. Anthony Small said, ''With the donations you've given us, and more, I think we'll make our goal,'' which is to collect 100,000 toys.

Rodas, whose mother died over a year ago, is the only child of Miguel Rodas, an El Salvadoran immigrant who is superintendent of the Union City, N.J., apartment building where they live.

She entered the toy business as an unofficial consultant at the age of 4 when her father took her along to the apartment of inventor Donald Spector.

Spector was trying to lay some tile. Mary told him what he was doing wrong. Intrigued by her brightness, Spector asked her opinion of some of his inventions and a partnership was born.

As founder of Catco, Spector later officially hired Rodas, who travels to the company's Manhattan offices by Limousine several days a week to critique toy projects and promotions.

Her biggest coup came a few years ago when Spector created ''Balzac,'' an indestructible balloon-style toy that Spector wrapped in a plain white sack.

''Boring,'' said Rodas. ''Put some neon colors on it.''

He did and Balzac sold millions.

Spector said many toy companies hire kid panels to judge new toys, but Rodas gets in on development.

''It's particularly hard to do focus sessions with children because they just say they like it or they don't, whereas Mary can tell you why and how to make it better.''

Rodas learned the metropolitan Washington area Toys for Tots campaign was 96 percent short of its 100,000-toy goal from Frieda Weems, a public relations consultant who had worked with her once before.

Weems said she decided to call Rodas after she saw a news broadcast that included word of the flagging Marine campaign, as well as a story about El Salvadoran families looking at a lean Christmas after the failure of an uninsured local bank where many had deposited their savings.

''I know how she is,'' Weems said. ''She wants all kids to be happy. Since I knew Mary, I knew that she would want to help.''

Before visiting the Marines, Rodas stopped at a Washington apartment building where many of the El Salvadoran families live and gave out several hundred toys.

''My father is from El Salvador,'' she explained. ''I wanted them to have toys.''

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#90346u1509 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2622.28	up	36.14	915.29	up	10.12	210.32	up	1.25
Tuesday	2586.14	off	10.64	905.17	off	4.50	209.07	off	1.38
Week ago	2610.40	up	30.70	903.67	up	21.83	212. 71	unchanged	
Month ago	2559.65	up	24.25	877.59	up	9.80	208. 75	off	0.32
Year ago	2761.09	up	8.96	1203.41	off	8.72	233.46	up	1.82
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90346u1511 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2622.28	up	36.14
20 Trans	915.29	up	10.12
15 Utils	210.32	up	1.25
65 Stocks	920.17	up	10.75

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Wednesday - $44,860,000

1990 to date - $10,402,317,000

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 307.73, low 305.55, close 307.71, up 1.60.

There was a gain of 5 cents in the average share price.

Volume 11,730,000 shares, compared with 10, 590,000 Tuesday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	15
New Lows	48
Advances	305
Declines	266
Unchanged	268
Total Issues	839

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(DEC. 12) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	180.25	up	1.83
ASE Market Value Index	307.71	up	1.60
Dow-Jones Industrial	2622.28	up	36.14

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CHICAGO (DEC. 12) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Wednesday -	10,955,000
1990 to date -	2,363,517,000

The market closed higher.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	307.71	up	1.60
High Technology	328.13	up	4.66
Capital Goods	324.98	up	2.27
Consumer Goods	397.65	up	3.04
Service	729.39	up	7.84
Retail	1,017.00	up	10.25
Financial	356.43	off	0.31
Natural Resources	214.04	off	0.70
Housing-Const-Land	236.43	up	1.22

There was a gain of 5 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS		
New England	412.72	up 6.33
Mid Atlantic	424.73	up 2.42
No Central	412.70	up 3.93
So Atlantic	887.14	up 5.29
So Central	301.06	up 0.71
Mountain	106.10	up 1.41
Pacific	356.03	up 3.82
Foreign	213.04	off 0.66

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#90346u1543 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks	-	182,270,000 shares
1990 to date	-	38,011,357,151
Warrants	-	1,083,000
1990 to date	-	249,056,000

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#90346u1547 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.12	up 0.02
10 Public Utils	93.18	off 0.05
10 Industrials	89.06	up 0.08

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#90346u1554 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - Edward Teller, the atomic scientist whose work led to the discovery of the hydrogen bomb, received the highest decoration from his native Hungary Wednesday in a ceremony in which he declared, ''I feel like a born-again Hungarian.''

Teller, 82, received the Hungarian Republic's Order of the Banner With Rubies, a decoration presented by Hungarian Ambassador Peter Zwack.

The award was especially significant for Teller, a key man in the Manhattan Project that developed the atomic bomb for the United States during World War II. Teller had been villified as a Cold War warrior by the Hungarian communist government, which was ousted following multi- party elections this year.

Teller, who has been called ''the father of the H-bomb,'' left Hungary more than six decades ago and did not return for a visit until recently.

Teller, who resides in California, has been a hard-line advocate of the expansion of nuclear power. He has been critical of U.S. foreign policies, including arms treaties, which he felt were undermining American security.

''I learned from (fellow Hungarian-born nuclear scientist) Leo Szilard never to say what's expected,'' Teller said at the Hungarian Embassy following presentation of the decoration. ''I feel like a born- again Hungarian.''

He then raised his glass to ''a wonderful and peaceful future of Hungary.''

Zwack hailed the ''new Hungarian-American friendship.''

Teller had to overcome a number of difficult obstacles to reach his goal of producing a thermonuclear bomb. His belief in the need of such a destructive weapon was so great that he advocated giving the hydrogen bomb priority over the atomic bomb, even though the latter was needed to trigger the former.

Zwack, a Hungarian native who gave up his U.S. citizenship to represent the newly democratic Hungary, paid tribute to Teller, who is is advising Hungary on the peaceful use of nuclear energy.

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#90346u1559 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Apple Cptr	(AAPL)	83,461,056	39 5/8	off 3/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	72,106,784	36 3/4	up 1
Microsoft	(MSFT)	59,705,756	72 1/2	up 3/8
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	53,153,620	20 1/8	off 1/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	35,829,508	31 1/2	up 3/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	32,823,532	54 1/2	off 3 1/8
Sun Micro	(SUNW)	27,155,192	22 1/8	off 3/8
Autodesk	(ACAD)	23,941,584	47 1/2	off 7/8
Medco		19,184,728	31 7/8	up 1/8
Adobe Syst	(ADBE)	16,088,151	28 1/4	unch

Composite Index 163.48 up 1.13

NMS volume 97,491,600 shares.

Advances	836
Declines	661
Unchanged	1,270
Total	2,767

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#90346u1564 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Currency market players sold dollars to take profits ahead of a possible Bundesbank interest rate hike and likely negative U.S. economic data, weakening the U.S. unit across the board Wednesday.

Foreign exchange traders acted on the outside possibility the German central bank's policy committee, sitting Thursday, might hike its key Lombard interest rate to dampen inflation from eastern German reconstruction.

More bad news was expected on the U.S. economic front Thursday when November retail sales figures were released. Economists called for a plunge of some 0.8 percent, against October's meager 0.1 percent gain.

Late in the New York session, the dollar was trading at 1.4755 German marks, down from 1.4780 marks Tuesday, and 131.55 Japanes yen, off from 132.25. The British pound gained, costing $1.9500 vs. $1.9375.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2615 Swiss francs, down from 1.2650; 5.0100 French francs, off from 5.0200; and 1,112 Italian lire, off from 1,113.75.

"What you'll see in general in the next two or three trading days is a market changing its focus, away from the Gulf situation and towards economic data," said assistant vice president Carl Amendola of the Bayerische Hypotheken-und Wechsel Bank. "It'll weigh heavily on the dollar," he said.

Albert Soria, currency manager and first vice president for Kansallis Osake Pankki, a Finnish-based investment bank, confirmed the dollar "is vulnerable here to further losses, depending on econmic figures."

Amendola said the dollar is pressured by expectations the Federal Reserve is about cut its discount interest rate, thereby "making a very strong statement to the market that (it is) officially calling rates lower."

In Europe, the dollar closed mostly higher on feeling the Deutsche Bundesbank would not raise the Lombard rate on short-term loans to banks. Follow-up buying on talk of a Group of Seven dollar parlay helped, too.

Trading was quiet as the market awaited the latest British unemployment and inflation figures, due out later this week. "There's very little volume," a dealer at Salomon Brothers in London said. "It's definitely a pre-Christmas mood."

In Frankfurt, the dollar closed slightly higher at 1.4758 marks vs. 1.4757 at Tuesday's close. It rose in Zurich to 1.2635 Swiss francs vs. 1.2605. In London, the pound gained, ending at $1.9440 vs. $1.9405.

The dollar closed higher in Paris and Brussels, at 5.0070 French francs vs.

5.0060, and at 30.66 Belgian francs vs. 30.46. The dollar declined in Milan, closing at 1,110.75 Italian lire against 1,111.80.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar rose slightly against the yen in quiet trading, closing at 131.88 yen compared with 131.75 yen.

The dollar advanced in the morning session in reaction to its overnight gain in New York and London. But afternoon selling by insurance firms stripped away most of the dollar's earlier gains, said dealers.

Trading was dull as most market players were reluctant to move any direction amid expectations of a cut in U.S. and Japanese interest rate, said Masahiro Yanagida, a senior currency manager at Sanwa Bank.

In Zurich, gold closed lower at $371.50 an ounce against $372.50 Tuesday. In London, the precious metal fell to $371.25 from 371.50.

Silver in Zurich closed lower at $4.05 an ounce vs. $4.15 and also was lower in London at $4.04 an ounce compared with $4.07.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $372 an ounce, ahead from $371.25 Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled gold contracts at $372.70 an ounce, up from $372 the previous day.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.045 an ounce, down from $4.09. Comex silver ended trading at $4.026 an ounce, a decline from $4.067.

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#90346u1570 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - President Bush, praising the strengthening superpower relationship, announced Wednesday he will ease trade restrictions to extend up to $1 billion in agriculture credits to offset critical food shortages in the Soviet Union.

At the close of a meeting with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, Bush said he would waive the 1974 Jackson-Vanik Act that bars preferential credit guarantees to the Soviet Union as long as it maintains restrictive emigration policies on Soviet Jews and other minorities.

And saying he was ''pleased with the great progress'' made between the superpowers on achieving a strategic arms treaty, Bush announced that he hoped to meet with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in Moscow Feb. 11-13.

Secretary of State James Baker, answering questions after Bush's statement, said some work remained to be done before a START treaty is completed but added, ''We would hope the treaty would be ready for signature'' in time for the summit meeting.

As for the economic aid, which Bush said would also include expanded assistance from the World Bank and International Monetary Fund, medical supplies and technical assistance for food distribtuion and market reform, Baker said the available credit guarantees would be in the range of $500 million to $1 billion.

While denying that the U.S. move was a ''payback'' of sorts for Soviet backing in the gulf crisis, Shevardnadze hailed the U.S. move. ''We are indeed in a very new phase of our relations ... a new kind of cooperation between our countries,'' he said.

Bush, however, continued to tie the short-term U.S. assistance to continued Soviet reform, both economically and politically.

''We discussed frankly, the relationship of economic change to the critical task of democratization,'' Bush told reporters in the Rose Garden, ''and I reiterated our strong deisre to see both political and economic reform continue.''

During a picture-taking session earlier in the Oval Office, Bush praised Shevardnadze for the Soviet Union's continuing support in the Persian Gulf standoff.

Also revealing that he had received a letter from Gorbachev that was ''very interesting and very informative,'' Bush asked the foreign minister to tell Gorbachev that he felt ''very good about the relationship'' between the superpowers.

''I hope you'll convey to him the same message that we are very proud to be standing should to shoulder with him in the gulf,'' Bush said.

The president foreshadowed the change in policy earlier in the day at a special ceremony in the Executive Office Building to mark the first day of Hanukkah celebrating ancient Jewish liberation from persecution, saying the Soviets had permitted 150,000 of its citizens to emigrate this year. Most of them, at the rate of 1,000 to 2,000 a day, have moved to Israel.

Earlier, Bush had specified that there would be no easing up of the Jackson-Vanik restriction until the Soviet Parliament codified the more liberal emigration policies.

Credits for the Soviet central government have been pushed by the American agricultural community. Jewish leaders of some 32 organizations expressed their support last week at congressional hearings.

The immigration flow into Israel and its warming relations with the Soviet Union apparently were the impetus for their change of heart.

Before flying on to Turkey, Shevardnadze arranged to meet in the early evening with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, who is on a private visit to Washington. The meeting would represent the highest diplomatic contact between the Soviet Union and Israel in history.

The Soviets have been purchasing chicken parts and wheat flour and the United States exported 20.3 million metric tons of corn and wheat to the Soviet Union in 1990. The Soviet Union is the largest market for U.S. grain.

Officials said that representatives of the Soviet Republic of Russia had been shopping around in Washington recently for agriculture credits, but they stressed Bush was dealing with the central government.

High on the agenda of Bush's talks with Shevardnadze was the Persian Gulf crisis possibly a date for Bush's forthcoming trip to Moscow to sign a Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty.

Shevardnadze spoke to reporters after ending two days of talks with Baker in Houston during which the diplomats failed to reach a final agreement on a pact to dramatically reduce the nuclear arsenals of the two superpowers.

On the gulf crisis, the Soviet foreign minister said Moscow supports the proposal for high-level meetings between Iraq and the United States, but would not involve its forces in the crisis now in its fourth month.

''This option is not under consideration and I can tell you this option is non-existant,'' Shevardnadze said. ''It is also my strong hope that U.S. troops will not see action.''

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#90346u1572 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (DEC. 12) UPI - Salvadoran rebels warned Wednesday they will shoot down combat planes the United States plans to ship to El Salvador because the U.S. decision to speed up military aid was wrong.

''The U.S. government made the wrong decision in speeding up part of the $48.1 million to reinforce the air force's most criminal weapon,'' rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, said in a statement.

Last week, the State Department decided to speed delivery of part of the $48.1 million alloted for military aid to El Salvador in 1991. The money is to pay for repalcing aircraft shot down by rebel missiles and gunfire.

The rebels have shot down or damaged four Huey UH-1H helicopters and three combat planes since launching their recent offensive Nov. 20.

Military analysts said the attacks on aircraft cut into what has been the army's greatest advantage over guerrilla forces in the 10-year-old civil war.

''The new warplanes will be shot down and the low-flying tactic will continue to meet our curtain of fire from our anti-aircraft weapons,'' the rebels said.

The guerrillas said their forces are ready to attack the air force, ''which has destroyed, massacred and terrorized the civilian population. ''

Instense fighting between the FMLN and the armed forces continued Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday, leaving at least 46 dead and 50 wounded, a military spokesman said.

Rebels occupied the highway from San Salvador to Santa Ana province, burning a bus and seeting up roadblocks with vehicles.

Combat in the eastern province of San Miguel left 30 rebels and 11 soldiers dead and eight soldiers wounded, the spokesman said.

The 3rd infantry brigade headquarters in San Miguel was attacked by rebels, killing two soldiers and wounding 11 others.

In the northern province of Chalatenango and the eastern provinces of Usulutan and San Vincente heavy fighting between rebels and the army left three soldiers dead and 23 wounded. Three rebels died and eight were wounded in the fighting, the armed forces said.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	239.70	242.10	239.70	241.90	240.00
Mar	242.10	244.00	241.70	243.70	242.00
Jun	....	....	....	245.60	243.90
Sep	....	....	....	248.00	246.30

Estimated volume: 220 contracts.

Open interest: 1,385 off 92

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	328.00	331.95	327.50	331.55	328.55

Mar	330.60	334.55	330.15	334.10	331.15
Jun	334.50	337.60	333.00	337.00	334.05
Sep	338.10	340.60	336.00	339.90	336.95

Estimated volume: 68,607 contracts.
Open interest: 168,274 off 1,398

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	179.00	181.25	178.75	181.05	179.20
Mar	180.30	182.65	180.05	182.35	180.50
Jun	182.00	183.75	182.00	183.75	181.90

Open interest: 4,671 off 36
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	545.50	550.70	544.40	550.35	546.10
Jan	548.15	552.50	547.00	552.50	548.50
Feb	548.60	552.75	547.00	552.75	548.50

Estimated volume: 2,819 contracts.
Open interest: 9,179 up 158

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	370.42	up	2.43	370.87	451.14
Industrial	399.59	up	2.74	401.94	440.43
Finance	364.26	up	2.32	366.65	509.52
Insurance	452.84	up	3.97	445.97	559.00
Utility	477.42	up	1.94	464.83	727.11
Bank	258.12	up	2.12	257.89	400.97
Transport	407.17	up	2.18	408.08	494.10

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	163.48	up	1.13
Industrial Index	159.48	up	1.17
NASDAQ-100 Index	396.05	up	2.94

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#90346u1609 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 396.05 up 2.94.

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#90346u1610 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	21.40-21.50	22.10-22.15
North Sea Brent	25.60-25.70	26.90-27.00
West Texas Intermed	25.30-25.35	26.40-26.45
Light Louisiana Sweet	26.75-26.85	27.80-27.90
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	64.25-64.50	67.05-67.30
No. 2 Heating oil	75.40-75.65	78.70-78.95
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	60.75-61.00	63.05-63.30
No. 2 Heating oil	71.90-72.05	75.30-75.50

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#90346u1618 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Occid Petro	3,366,500	20 3/4	off 1 7/8
Ford Motor	2,547,200	27 1/4	off 3/8
Hilton Hotel	2,520,700	42 1/8	up 6 5/8
Philip Morris	2,508,500	51 3/8	up 5/8
Toys R Us	2,279,700	24 5/8	up 7/8
AT&T Co	2,230,600	30 3/8	up 7/8
Gen Motor	2,037,800	35 1/4	off 3/8
PepsiCo	1,876,400	26 1/2	up 5/8
GTE Corp	1,858,700	29 7/8	up 5/8
Wal Mart Stores	1,840,000	30 3/4	up 1/2
Gen Electric	1,754,000	57	up 1/4
Exxon Corp	1,655,300	50 3/8	up 5/8
Pac Gas Elec	1,592,700	24 3/8	up 1/8
Chrysler Corp	1,581,100	12 1/8	up 1/4
Schering-Plough	1,514,500	47 1/2	up 1 3/8

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austral	.000203	.000203	4929.00	4919.00
Australia dlr	.7661	.7670	1.3053	1.3038
Austria schill	.0962	.0965	10.40	10.36
Belgium franc-c	.0326	.0328	30.64	30.52
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0069	.0069	145.16	145.89
Britain pound	1.9440	1.9425	.5144	.5148
Britain 1-mo	1.9332	1.9323	.5173	.5175
Britain 3-mo	1.9156	1.9147	.5220	.5223
Britain 6-mo	1.8941	1.8934	.5280	.5282
Canada dollar	.8618	.8636	1.1604	1.1580
Canada 1-mo	.8586	.8602	1.1647	1.1625
Canada 3-mo	.8542	.8546	1.1707	1.1701
Canada 6-mo	.8456	.8473	1.1826	1.1802
Chile peso-f	.003079	.003079	324.74	324.74
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001827	.001831	547.39	546.22
Denmark krne	.1758	.1763	5.6875	5.6720
Ecudr sucre-z	.001152	.001154	867.75	866.78
Egypt pound	.3539	.3539	2.8259	2.8259
Finlnd mrkka	.2805	.2815	3.5650	3.5530
France franc	.1993	.1992	5.0180	5.0195
France 1-mo	.1989	.1989	5.0265	5.0282
France 3-mo	.1981	.1980	5.0486	5.0508
France 6-mo	.1967	.1966	5.0843	5.0873
Greece drach	.006641	.006598	150.58	151.57
Hollnd guildr	.6017	.5997	1.6620	1.6675
HongKong dlr	.1282	.1282	7.8005	7.7980
India rupee	.0557	.0557	17.95	17.96
Indo'sa rupia	.000534	.000534	1872.00	1872.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.8015	1.7980	0.5551	0.5562
Israel shekel	.5033	.5086	1.9870	1.9660
Italy lira	.000900	.000898	1110.75	1113.75
Japan yen	.007602	.007596	131.55	131.65
Japan 1-mo	.007634	.007631	131.00	131.05
Japan 3-mo	.007666	.007695	130.45	129.95

Japan 6-mo	.007755	.007803	128.95	128.15
Jordan dinar	1.5461	1.5485	.6468	.6458
Kuwait dinar	3.4258	3.4258	0.2919	0.2919
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000342	.000342	2921.00	2921.00
N.Zealand dlr	.5993	.6005	1.6686	1.6653
Norway krne	.1729	.1728	5.7840	5.7875
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	492,500	477,265
P'pnes peso-z	.0364	.0365	27.46	27.36
Portugl escud	.007701	.007713	129.85	129.65
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5841	.5839	1.7120	1.7125
S.Africa rand	.3996	.4003	2.5022	2.4982
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010593	.010593	94.40	94.40
Sweden krona	.1795	.1795	5.5725	5.5720
Switzrl franc	.7935	.7933	1.2602	1.2605
Switzrl 1-mo	.7933	.7925	1.2606	1.2618
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7915	.7910	1.2635	1.2643
Switzrl 6-mo	.7891	.7884	1.2672	1.2684
Taiwan dollar	.0375	.0376	26.65	26.63
Turkey lira	.000357	.000358	2799.00	2793.00
UAE dirham	.2725	.2730	3.6692	3.6632
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0202	.0202	49.59	49.55
Germany mark	.6777	.6768	1.4755	1.4775
Germany 1-mo	.6769	.6760	1.4773	1.4793
Germany 3-mo	.6749	.6740	1.4817	1.4837
Germany 6-mo	.6716	.6762	1.4889	1.4789
Yugosl dinar	.0991	.0991	10.09	10.09

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	381.98	231.82	143.67	23.32	326.44
Opening	383.15	232.64	144.64	23.45	327.66
11 a.m.	382.37	231.86	144.41	23.37	326.97
Noon	382.38	231.87	144.23	23.41	326.96

1 p.m.	383.58	231.99	144.69	23.48	327.98
2 p.m.	384.54	232.53	144.86	23.57	328.76
3 p.m.	384.90	233.17	144.84	23.58	329.03
Close	386.28	234.41	145.27	23.66	330.19
Change	up 4.30	up 2.59	up 1.60	up 0.34	up 3.75

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(DEC. 12) UPI - The State Department says 15 Americans are expected to be aboard a chartered Boeing 707 jetliner when it leaves Baghdad tomorrow morning. Spokesman Richard Boucher says it has NOT been decided yet whether the five American diplomats left in Kuwait will leave with the 15. He says that as far as officials know, NO other Americans will remain behind who want to leave.

The Algerian president started a mediation mission between Iraq and Saudi Arabia today, as Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said the situation in the Persian Gulf is ''extremely serious.''

In Baghdad, President Saddam Hussein fired his defense minister and replaced him with a younger, hard-line war hero. It's the fourth top-level dismissal in Iraq since the invasion of Kuwait on August 2nd.

Education Secretary Cavazos resigned today, effective after he delivers a commencement address at West Virginia University on Saturday. President Bush announced the long-rumored resignation at a Cabinet meeting and said he accepted it ''with deep regret.''

Congressional sources say President Bush is preparing to announce up to three-BILLION dollars in agriculture export credits for the Soviet Union. Bush meets with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze today and is expected to announce the credits after the talks.

The official Soviet news agency reports that a bomb exploded yesterday near a building in Riga that belongs to the Latvian Communist Party. NO casualties are reported in the bombing, which the Latvian communists called ''blatantly political.''

Israel Radio says legislators are pushing to ban a fringe Jewish group from the Temple Mount complex next week, which the organizations plans a torch-light parade through a Moslem area of Jerusalem. The legislators reportedly are discussing the ban to avoid a repeat of the violent outbreak in which at least 17 Palestinians were killed by Israeli troops.

A judge in Philadelphia today sentenced 91-year-old Michael Falcone to 10 to 20 years in prison for the shooting deaths of his 81-year-old brother and his 80-year-old sister-in-law. Prosecutors said the man killed his brother and

sister-in-law because he believed they were poisoning him.

About 100 Westerners flew into Kenya today to escape bloodshed and looting in the Somali capital of Mogadishu, where the government is reported close to total breakdown and gunmen rule the streets. The U-S Embassy and other foreign organizations in Somalia advised people to leave.

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#90346u1636 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (DEC. 12) UPI - Early returns in Denmark's general elections Wednesday suggest the opposition Social Democratic Party will be the main victor but it seemed unlikely Conservative Premier Poul Schluter would be unseated.

After 2.8 percent of the votes were counted, the Social Democrats and their leader Svend Auken stood to win 13 seats in the 179-seat Parliament for 68 overall.

The projection said the Conservative Party of Premier Poul Schluter, hitherto at the head of a three-party minority coalition, stood to drop five seats to 30.

The second main victor appeared to be the Liberal Party of Foreign Minister Uffe Ellemann-Jensen, which was projected to gain six seats for a total of 28. The junior coalition Radical Liberals were expected to lose 3 of their 10 seats.

But the projection for the overall bloc count in Denmark's multi- factional Parliament showed a slim majority remaining for non-socialist parties, in all probability allowing Schluter to continue as premier, albeit relying more heavily on extragovernmental support.

The main losers appeared to be the Socialist People's Party, which the projections said would drop eight of its 24 seats.

With socialist and non-socialist blocs traditionally bound to each other in forming a government, the projection showed 84 seats to the socialists and 95 to the non-socialist bloc.

Denmark has 4 million eligible voters out of a population of 5.4 million. Official returns showed an 82.9 percent turnout.

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#90346u1644 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	32	19	33
New lows	62	50	46

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	950	120,314,300
Declines	592	45,526,200
Unchanged	494	16,429,500
Total	2,036	182,270,000

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#90346u1646 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 12) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	15
New lows	48

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	305	5,305,300
Declines	266	3,920,600
Unchanged	268	2,504,100
Total	839	11,730,000

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#90346u1647 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	370.42	366.84	370.42	up	2.43
Industrial	399.59	395.06	399.59	up	2.74
Finance	364.26	361.37	364.26	up	2.32
Insurance	453.85	448.52	452.84	up	3.97
Utility	478.43	473.49	477.42	up	1.94
Bank	258.12	254.54	258.12	up	2.12
Transport	407.42	402.89	407.17	up	2.18

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

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NASDAQ National Market System indexes

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NASDAQ-100 Index	396.05	up	2.94

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share 8.30 up 0.05

Volume	97,491,600 shares
Advances	836
Declines	661
Unchanged	1,270
Total	2,767

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(DEC. 12) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	6.95	7.05	8.58
91-day Treasury bills	7.00	7.05	7.69
182-day Treasury bills	6.99	7.04	7.45
1-year Treasury bills	7.03	7.06	7.27
3-year Treasury notes	7.31	7.35	7.76
7-year Treasury notes	7.81	7.84	7.84
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.06	8.08	7.89
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.55	8.55	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.45	9.50	9.12
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.52	8.57	8.84
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.76	8.78	8.89
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	8.99	8.98	9.12
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	8.97	9.00	9.10

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - Following is a text of President Bush's statement Wednesday in extending agricultural credit guarantees to the Soviet Union.

''I just had an opportunity to discuss with Foreign Minister Shevardnadze a number of issues of U.S.-Soviet relations, including our cooperation in the gulf. And I'm pleased with the great progress that we've made on START and hopeful that we'll be ready to sign a treaty at a summit in Moscow on Feb. 11-13. We also talked at length about the situation in the Soviet Union and the response of the United States to the economic problems there. I asked Minister Shevardnadze to convey to President Gorbachev my desire to respond

both to the short-term needs of the Soviet Union and to contribute to fundamental economic reform - long supported (by the United States) perestroika - and (we'll) continue to. We discussed frankly the relationship of economic change in the Soviet Union to the critical task of democratization and I reiterated our strong desire to see both political and economic reform continue because they are inextricably linked. I outlined specific and important steps that we're willing to take in support of reform and after consulting closely with Secretary Yeutter, as well as Secretarys Brady and Baker, I told Minister Shevardnadze that I am prepared to respond to a Soviet request for credit guarantees for purchase of agricultural commodities through a waiver of the Jackson-Vanik amendment. While I've taken this step, I still look forward to passage of Soviet immigration law codifying the generally excellent practices of the past year. And this then will permit us to make further progress toward the normalization of the U.S.-Soviet economic relationship. In addition, we've proposed to the Soviets a special technical assistance project to help in assessing their food distribution problem and to support market reforms.

I will also authorize a joint public-private medical assistance effort to help the Soviet Union cope with immediate shortages of pharmaceuticals and basic medical supplies.

In the longer term, only steps the Soviet Union itself takes can assure the economic health there. Thus to promote fundamental economic reform, I will propose that the World Bank and the IMF work out with the Soviet Union a special association to give the USSR access to the considerable financial and economic expertise of those institutions. I have asked Secretary of the Treasury Nick Brady, as U.S. governor of both institutions, to pursue this proposal with them and also with our other allies, who, I'm sure, will be in accord.

As I have said before, I want perestroika to succeed. The Soviet Union is facing tough times, difficult times, but I believe that this is a good reason to act now to help the Soviet Union stay the course of democratization and to undertake market reforms. The United States has an interest in the Soviet Union able to play a role as a full and prosperous member of the international community of states and I am hopeful that these initiatives will further that goal.

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#90346u1653 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter --day as supplied by NASD.

Volume	122,295,700
Advances	961
Declines	843
Unchanged	2,383

Total 4,187

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#90346u1657 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	180.25	178.59	180.25	up 1.83
Industrial	222.62	220.54	222.62	up 2.31
Transport	142.88	141.10	142.88	up 1.77
Utility	91.91	91.35	91.91	up 0.83
Finance	122.87	121.82	122.87	up 1.22

Equivalent to a gain of 32 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 182,270,000 shares.

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#90346u1678 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 12) UPI - TRANSACTIONS

Baseball

California - Signed pitcher Floyd Bannister to a 1-year contract.
San Diego - Traded catcher Mark Parent to
Texas for third baseman Scott Coolbaugh.

College

Maryland - Indefinitely suspended guard
Carla Holmes from women's basketball team.
Northeastern - Named Barry Gallup football coach.

Football

LA Raiders - Added offensive tackle Tim Rotter to practice squad.

Miami - Signed wide receiver Dennis McKinnon; placed wide receiver Scott Schwedes on injured reserve; shifted linebacker Barry Krauss and Mike McGruder from injured reserve to practice squad.

New England - Announced resignation of defensive coordinator Charlie Sumner.

San Diego - Signed wide receiver Kitrick
Taylor; placed nose tackle Tony Savage on injured reserve.

Washington - Released safety Rico Labbe from practice squad;
signed guard Tim Moxley and assigned him to practice squad.

Hockey

Toronto - Reached agreement on 2-year
contract with Soviet defenseman Alexander Godynuik.

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#90346u1682 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
PANAMA CITY, Panama (DEC. 12) UPI - Panamanian union leaders criticized the government Wednesday for firing about 400 public workers who took part in a general strike last week.

The Dec. 5 strike occurred the same day a failed police uprising that was put down by about 500 U.S. troops.

President Guillermo Endara accused labor leaders last week of involvement in the uprising, which he called a coup attempt.

Isaac Rodriguez, who was fired as head of the state electric company union following the strike, said workers plan to march Thursday to the National Assembly to protest the government reaction.

Lawmakers are debating an emergency bill ''to protect the democracy and constitutional order'' that would allow the government to fire public workers who took part in the strike.

Though the bill has yet to become law, union leaders say about 400 public employees - most of whom worked for the state-owned electric company - have already been fired.

The Endara government has been at odds with unions since it was installed during the U.S. invasion last December. In an effort to streamline the government, thousands of public workers have been laid off in the past 12 months.

Unions say about 15,000 of 140,000 government workers have been laid off, while the government says less than 9,000 public employees have lost their jobs.

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#90346u1711 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 458.93, up 0.92 percent.
This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90346u1716 12/12/1990 ~United Press International
BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (DEC. 12) UPI - Ten opposition parties Wednesday forged a coalition for the second round of elections for the Serbian Assembly in a bid to deny a legislative majority to the Communist Party of the re-elected president of Yugoslavia's largest republic.

The announcement of the establishment of the United Opposition of Serbia came shortly after the Republic Election Commission said final results of Sunday's first-round contests for the 250-seat legislature gave the communists 87 seats.

Nine seats were captured by parties of ethnic Hungarians and Moslems that have almost no political influence in Serbia.

Runoffs will be held Dec. 23 for 154 seats for which no candidates won a majority in the first round, the commission said. About 300 contenders qualified for the second round by gaining at least 7 percent of Sunday's ballots.

Candidates of President Slobodan Milosevic's Socialist Party of Serbia, the name adopted by the communists as an image-changing strategy, were the top vote-getters in 150 races, the commission said.

The nationalist Serbian Renewal Movement of author Vuk Draskovic, a former Marxist, secured 80 second-round slots followed by 16 for the right-center Democratic Party. The remaining candidates were independents and members of minor parties, the commission said.

Opposition leaders read to a packed news conference a declaration establishing their coalition and urging their supporters to unify behind whatever candidate is running against a communist contender in the runoffs.

''We are calling on our members and voters ... to support any candidate of the United Opposition of Serbia no matter his political or party affiliation,'' said the declaration.

The opposition claimed that it would prevent the communists from winning the 126 seats required for a working majority and pledged that if it won control of the legislature, it would call ''real, free elections'' for next fall.

''Until then, our deputies will restrain themselves from anything that would

threaten our parliamentary solidarity,'' the declaration said.

The Election Commission, confirming Milosevic's victory, said the 49- year-old Marxist and former bank executive won 65 percent of the 5 million ballots cast.

He was followed by Draskovic, with 16 percent and Ivan Djuric, a history professor and candidate of the Alliance of Reformist Forces, with 5 percent. The remaining votes were split among 29 other candidates.

Meanwhile, election officials in Montenegro said they could not reveal final results from the republic's presidential and legislative races until Thursday because they were still awaiting returns from isolated villages.

Serbia and Montenegro are the last of Yugoslavia's six republics to hold multi-party elections following the breakup in January of the national communist organization that ran the multi-ethnic country of 23 million since 1945.

Nationalists ousted Marxists in the other four republics.

The collective eight-man Yugoslav state presidency, in a statement after a meeting in Belgrade, issued a new call for a ''public, argumentative and open dialogue'' among the republics to resolve a dispute over the future shape of Yugoslavia.

Nationalist governments in Croatia and Slovenia, fearing domination by majority Serbs, are threatening secession unless the country becomes a confederation of independent states. Milosevic wants to maintain the federation and has refused to negotiate.

The dispute has fueled fears of civil war.

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#90346u1720 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Average yields for money-market mutual funds were lower in the latest reporting week, as were deposit and lending rates at savings and loan institutions for the most, reporting organizations said Wednesday.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven-day simple yields were 7.22 percent, down from 7.27 percent, while 30-day simple yields were 7.28 percent vs. 7.31 percent last week. The average maturity of fund portfolios rose to 53 days from 52 days.

The Bank Rate Monitor in North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.80 percent, down from 5.82 percent; Super-Now accounts, 4.94 percent, down from 4.95 percent; six-month

certificates of deposit, 7.23 percent, down from 7.31 percent; 1-year CDs, 7.29 percent, down from 7.37 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.39 percent, down from 7.46 percent; and five-year CDs, 7.62 percent, down from 7.70 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 7.92 percent, down from 8.04 percent the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell in the latest week to 9.21 percent from 9.42 percent. The average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage eased to 9.47 percent from 9.75 percent.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan rose to 12.27 percent from 12.25 percent the previous week.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - The stock market staged a late rally Wednesday in active trading when rumblings of peace overtures by an Iraqi envoy sent oil prices down and the Dow industrials up sharply.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 10.64 Tuesday, surged 36.14 to close at 2622.28. Some analysts said the rally picked up steam when the Dow pushed through the 2610 mark.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 1.83 to 180.25 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index gained 3.75 to 330.19. The price of an average share added 32 cents.

Advances outpaced declines 958-589 among the 2,039 NYSE issues traded. Big Board volume totaled 182,270,000 shares compared with the 145,330,000 traded Tuesday.

Stocks were higher all session, but in late trading, a drop in oil prices of more than $1 a barrel sent stocks rallying as did a report that Iraq's envoy to Belgium had laid down terms for Baghdad's pullout from Kuwait. January crude oil futures closed down $1.06 to $25.35 a barrel. The report pushed the Dow to double its gains in the last hour of trading.

"That Belgium story got people optimistic on the Mideast," said James Andrews, first vice president in charge of institutional trading at Janney Montgomery Scott Inc. in Philadelphia. "It kicked off some short-covering in number of Dow stocks," he said. "The way they printed it wasn't very clear so it scared a few short sellers."

Among those few Dow stocks were Merck and International Business Machines, which as two of the more expensive stocks in the average, are heavily weighted in it. "Buying in those stocks moved the average quite a bit, making the

market look better than it actually was," Andrews said.

He noted that the rally was not especially broad-based, with advances leading by slightly more than three to two. "It's not like it was a runaway or anything," he said. "It was really a big move in the Dow caused by some heavily weighted stocks." Andrews also said year-end buying by institutions looking to dress up portfolios helped fuel the rally in the Dow.

On the trading floor, Occidental Petroleum was the most active issue, down 1 7/8 to 20 3/4 after rallying Tuesday on the news of the death of its chairman, Armand Hammer, the renowned industrialist. Some analysts say the company may cut its high dividend.

Ford Motor followed, off 3/8 to 27 1/4. Hilton Hotels was third, surging 6 5/8 to 42 1/8 amid reports that efforts were being made to assemble a group, including Japanese investors, to bid about $75 a share for the company. Philip Morris was next, up 5/8 to 51 3/8.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T rose 7/8 to 30 3/8. Reports say the company may begin a proxy fight to oust NCR's board if NCR formally rejects AT&T's $90-a-share buyout bid at its board meeting Thursday.

NCR was down 3/8 to 89 1/2 when trading was halted late in the day. The company was again quoted saying it received expressions of interest from other companies but was not interested in "a white knight, or one of any other color."

As for the other Dow stocks, IBM jumped 1 5/8 to 114 1/2, Coca-Cola rose 1 1/2 to 48 3/8, and Merck gained 2 1/4 to 88 1/2.

Elsewhere, CBS jumped 5 5/8 to 175 1/2 after saying it plans to buy back up to 10,526,000 of its shares at $190 each for a possible total cost of about $2 billion. And Laurence A. Tisch was elected CBS chairman, succeeding William S. Paley, who died Oct. 26.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 219,281,310 shares, compared with the 181,787,340 traded in the previous session.

Prices rose in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index gained 1.60 to close at 307.71. Advances led declines 304-265 among the 841 issues traded. The price of an average share rose 5 cents. Composite volume totaled 14,901,290 shares vs. 14,016,530 traded Tuesday. Amdahl led the Amex issues, up 3/4 to 14 1/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 2.43 to close at 370.42.

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TORONTO (DEC. 12) UPI - Failed Polish presidential candidate Stanislaw Tyminski returned to Canada Wednesday but vowed to return to Poland to face slander charges and form an underground political party.

Tyminski, who lost Sunday's run-off presidential election to Lech Walesa, told a throng of reporters: ''Yes, I'm going back on (Jan.) 5.''

Tyminski was given permission to leave Poland Tuesday after posting $100,000 bail to ensure his return. He faces charges he insulted former Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki during the presidential campaign.

Tyminski and wife, Graziella, were met at Toronto's International Airport by several dozen reporters. Tyminski answered questions in a hoarse voice and appeared tired.

When asked if he would form an opposition party in Poland, Tyminski told United Press International: ''Yes, underground.'' Tyminski repeated his response a second time but declined to elaborate.

Tyminski indicated that since his election loss, his supporters are ''losing their jobs and getting beaten up.''

When asked who was behind the harassment, Tyminski would only say ''the opposition.'' When asked if that meant Solidarity supporters, he said: ''No, the opposition.''

Tyminski, a businessman with Canadian and Peruvian passports, returned to Poland earlier this year to run for president.

On Nov. 17, in the southern mountain resort of Zakopane, he accused Mazowiecki of ''betrayal of the nation,'' saying Mazowiecki's economic program resulted in a 40 percent drop in the standard of living in 14 months.

After the election he was summoned to the prosecutor's office in Warsaw. Following a four-hour hearing Tuesday, the prosecutor allowed him to go ahead with his plans to fly to Toronto.

''I paid $100,000 and three people guaranteed my return by Jan. 5.'' Tyminski said the three people included two senators and Andrzej Zoll, chairman of the election commission.

''I cannot change the words I used,'' said Tyminski, ''I expect to stand trial.''

He showed a summons that referred to a portion of the Polish Penal Code that

makes it illegal to slander the nation or insult authority, such as the prime minister or president.

Conviction carries a prison sentence of six months to eight years.

Tyminski said the code dates back to the Stalinist period and noted that such a charge would be inadmissible in the West.

''What I said about Mr. Mazowiecki would be normal in Western democracies,'' he said.

Tyminski outpolled Mazowiecki in the six-way race in the first round of the elections Nov. 25 but lost to Solidarity leader Walesa in the runoff Sunday with only 25 percent of the vote.

In another election debate, Tyminski outraged Walesa by claiming to have incriminating documents in a briefcase on the former Solidarity leader. When asked about the documents in Toronto, Tyminski said: ''Go ask Mr. Walesa about the briefcase.''

When prodded, Tyminski indicated Walesa didn't give him permission to open the briefcase and he became agitated when repeatedly asked about the briefcase.

Tyminski returned to Poland after 21 years and his appearance on the political scene attracted millions of people disappointed with Mazowiecki's reforms. Despite the immense popularity of Walesa, Tyminski drew 4 million votes on Sunday.

Tyminski insisted, ''I didn't lose the election.''

Before jumping into a dark colored van with his wife, Tyminski said: ''I want to see my children. Tomorrow is another day.''

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.97	9.62
Anchor Fund Inv	14.37	15.25
Delaware Mutual	17.17	18.41
Fidelity Fund	16.65	16.65
Investor Mutual	11.34	11.93
Investor Stocks	18.59	19.56
Investor Select	8.57	9.02
IDS Equity Plus	9.03	9.50
MFS Growth Stk	8.90	9.60
Nicholas Income	3.10	3.10
Utd Accumulated	6.25	6.83

United Income	17.27	18.87
Vang Wellington	16.65	16.65

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - Tuberculosis rates apparently made a record climb in 1990, with the largest nationwide increase since national reporting on the disease began, the American Lung Association said Wednesday.

''We're seeing large increases in TB in many cities and states,'' said ALA president Dr. John Allen.

The infectious lung disease, long associated with 19th century poverty and considered nearly vanquished in recent decades, has been on the rise since 1985, and preliminary reports show its greatest increase in 1990.

TB incidence through November 1990 increased by eight percent and appeared headed for a 10 percent increase for the year by the end of December, the ALA said, citing new figures from the federal Centers for Disease Control.

The CDC said that 20,792 cases had been reported for 1990 by Nov. 24, compared to 19,205 by the same time in 1989.

''Unfortunately, although many Americans think TB has been eliminated, it is making a strong resurgence in this country, and remains at disasterous levels in most developing countries,'' Allen said.

Experts blame much of the rise on the immune depressing affects of the human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, which is linked to AIDS.

TB increases were especially marked among blacks and Hispanics, young adults and children under age 5, Allen said.

Among children, although complete data for the year was not yet available, increases were expected to surpass last year's rise, when 810 were diagnosed with TB compared to 687 in the previous year, said John Seggerson, CDC chief of the preventive services branch for the CDC's Division of Tuberculosis Control.

Making matters worse, Congress only allocated $9.1 million - one fourth of the amount originally authorized - for intensified TB prevention and control efforts, the ALA said.

Federal health officials and researchers from the American Thoracic society, the ALA's medical arm, were meeting in Washington, D.C. this week to discuss improving diagnosis and treatment methods.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - The government Wednesday toughened testing and quality standards for the billions of rubber and plastic gloves worn by medical workers - a move that should better protect them from AIDS and other infections.

Currently, manufacturers of medical gloves conduct their own testing. The Food and Drug Administration said it now has decided to standardize such testing and establish a limit on how many gloves can fail.

In addition, the FDA said it will inspect randomly selected gloves for tears, holes and any foreign matter embedded in the gloves.

''Previous FDA surveys had shown that some batches of gloves had failure rates far in excess of the new limits, so our program should result in gloves that are far more reliable than in the past,'' said Walter Gundaker, acting director of FDA's Center for Devices and Radiological Health.

''This program should help assure concerned health care workers that their gloves are adequate to do the job,'' Gundarker added.

Gloves will also be subjected to a test that involves pouring about a quart of water into a glove and checking for leaks.

Gloves will not be allowed to be sold for medical uses if leaks are found at rates greater than 25 per 1,000 for surgeons' gloves and 40 per 1,000 for patient examination gloves.

The rate is more stringent for surgeons' gloves because they come in contact with internal areas of the body and may be exposed longer to blood and other bodily fluids than examination gloves, the FDA said.

The federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta recommends that doctors, dentists and other health care workers wear gloves for protection against diseases like AIDS and hepatitis.

While the CDC knows of 20 cases of health care workers being infected with the AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, while on the job, most involved accidents in which workers were accidentally stuck by a needle. Gloves do not protect workers against needle sticks.

However, four of the reports of HIV infection were associated with medical workers whose skin, thought to be chapped or scratched, was exposed to the virus.

American-made gloves which do not meet the requirements will be seized, if

necessary, to keep them off the market, the FDA said. Foreign glove manufacturers may be placed on an import detention list if their gloves consistently do not meet the new requirements.

The new regulations will take effect in 90 days.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Amdahl Corp	402,700	14 1/4	up 3/4
Alza Corp	368,600	46 1/2	off 3/8
Energy Service	336,300	2 1/4	up 1/8
New York TimesA	323,700	19 7/8	up 3/8
BAT Industries	276,900	11 11-16	up 3-16
Contl Air Hldgs	268,900	2 1/4	up 1/8
Conquest Explor	260,200	1 3/8	off 1/8
AT&E Corp	222,000	2 5/8	off 1/4
Americus MO sc	207,100	24 5/8	up 5/8
Western Digital	206,100	4 7/8	unch

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(DEC. 12) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Reverse Stock Split				
Cyanotech Corp - 1-for-5				
Natl Realty LP - 1-for-4				
Increased				
Carolina Power & Lt	Q	.76	2-1	1-10
Morgan (JP)	Q	.49 1/2	1-15	12-24
Robbins & Myers Inc	..	.07 1/2	1-31	1-10
Southwest Water Co	Q	.23 1/4	1-20	12-31
Valspar Corp	Q	.15	1-15	12-31
Distribution				
Fst Australia PI	..	.16	1-11	12-31
Wellington Fund	Q	.41	1-3	12-12
Wellesley Income Fund	Q	.46	1-3	12-12
Windsor Fund	S	.44	12-18	12-12
Windsor Fund	A	.32	12-18	12-12

Windsor II	S	.53	12-18	12-12
Windsor II	S	.28	12-18	12-12
Vanguard Convtble SF	Q	.15	1-3	12-12
Vanguard Equity IF	Q	.37	12-18	12-12
Vanguard Equity IF	A	.07	12-18	12-12
Vanguard Hi Yld SF	Q	.26	12-18	12-12
Vanguard Preferred SF	Q	.25 1/2	12-18	12-12
Usual				
AL Laboratories Inc	Q	.04	1-10	12-27
Caterpillar Inc	Q	.30	2-20	1-22
Engelhard Corp	Q	.17	12-31	12-24
Ennis Business Forms	Q	.18	2-1	1-15
First Australia Fund	S	.29	1-11	12-31
First Peoples Fincl	..	.37 1/2	1-15	12-31
Gateway Bancorp Inc	..	.15	1-9	1-2
General RE Corp	Q	.38	12-31	12-24
Glendale Bancorp	..	.10	12-31	12-24
JSB Financial	..	.10	12-29	12-21
Keystone Intl Inc	Q	.15	2-21	2-4
Municipal Hi Incm Fd	M	.06 1/4	12-31	12-21
Natl Svgs Bk Albany	Q	.30	1-14	12-31
Rowe Furniture Corp	Q	.04	1-15	12-26
Southern New Eng Tel	Q	.44	1-15	12-24
SPX Corp	Q	.25	3-11	2-22
Tootsie Roll Indus	Q	.05 3/4	1-10	12-24
Tootsie Roll Indus B	Q	.05 3/4	1-10	12-24
TRW Inc	Q	.45	3-15	2-8
Uni-Marts Inc cl-A&B	Q	.02 1/2	1-22	12-31
Zenix Income Fund	M	.07 3/4	12-31	12-21

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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NEWARK, N.J. (DEC. 12) UPI - The German parent of Hoechst-Roussel Pharmaceuticals Inc. agreed Wednesday to pay a fine to settle four misdemeanor charges over the reporting of deaths of two patients who took an anti-depressant medicine.

The agreement ends a four-year-old case over the failure of Hoechst AG of Frankfurt to report the deaths of two patients who received the drug Merital in Europe.

The company agreed to pay a fine of $202,000 to settle the charges brought by the U.S. Attorney's office in New Jersey.

The Merital inquiry began in 1986, after Hoechst AG voluntarily withdrew the drug from the market worldwide.

The company investigated the death of one patient but claimed it did not have enough information to make a full report to the federal Food and Drug Administration. The case of the second patient allegedly involved the woman's suicide using the drug and the company said it did not consider that death reportable.

The company maintained the failure to report the events was unintentional.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - A federal judge Wednesday dismissed all claims against promoter Don King in suits filed by the outcast manager of heavyweight Mike Tyson.

Bill Cayton, estranged from the former champion he helped manage since Tyson's adolescence, had named King in suits and counterclaims against Tyson filed in 1989.

King is Tyson's adviser and promoter. Cayton accuses the promoter of antitrust violations, racketeering and interference in his contract with Tyson.

Judge John Keenan of federal court in Manhattan issued a written opinion, dropping King from the Cayton-Tyson suits.

''The focus will be where it should be - on Bill Cayton's conduct toward Mike Tyson,'' said Bob Hirth, King's lawyer.

Cayton said he will sue King separately ''within a matter of days.''

''If they're crowing about this, they may be misguided,'' Cayton said. ''I am actually relieved. I prefer a suit against King. I could not understand why we tied them together.''

He said that decision was made by his former attorney, Thomas Puccio. Cayton currently is represented by David Branson.

Branson said in reducing the list of more than 30 counts in Cayton's third-party claims against King, he was aware he was removing portions that procedurally linked the cases.

''We told the judge, 'So what? We'll file separately,''' Branson said. ''This is not even a Pyrrhic victory for them - a victory without any substance.''

Tyson originally sued Cayton in the summer of 1989 and a settlement produced a

revised cut for the manager. Tyson sued again in November 1988 for breach of contract.

Cayton filed third-party claims and counterclaims in January 1989 and has repeatedly blamed King for Tyson's disenchantment.

''Mike Tyson is manipulated by King,'' Cayton said Wedesday. ''I am not disturbed by this. They may be unpleasantly surpised.''

Branson said the remaining claims by Cayton against Tyson challenge the fighter's accounting of deductions from fight revenues.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 12) UPI - Athletic directors from Syracuse, Pittsburgh, Boston College and Miami met Wednesday with Big East Commissioner Mike Tranghese over the formation of a football conference.

Big East spokesman John Paquette said by telephone from conference headquarters in Providence, R.I., the league will make a statement of ''substance'' Thursday.

The all-day meeting brought together Tranghese and athletic directors Ed Bozik of Pitt, Sam Jankovich of Miami, Jake Crouthamel of Miami and Bill Flynn of Boston College.

None was available for comment. The location of the meeting in Washington was kept secret.

Paquette said Tuesday that conference officials did not expect a formal announcement on football membership until January.

The Philadelphia Daily News reported Tuesday that during Wednesday's meeting, the four athletic directors would vote to assimilate independents Temple, Rutgers, West Virginia and Virginia Tech into the Big East football-only conference.

Temple Athletic Director Charles Theokas said the grouping of the East Coast's major independent football teams will improve the school's prospects for bowl bids and ''give our program more clout.''

''The reality is it's 1990 and the reality is you need to be in conferences for TV, bowls, scheduling, competitive games,'' Theokas said. ''The day of the independent is slowly, but surely diminishing.''

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska (DEC. 12) UPI - Exxon Corp. and its subsidiary, Exxon Shipping Co., want separate criminal trials in the Alaska oil spill case and want certain evidence kept out of court, including statements by an Exxon executive accepting responsibility for the nation's worst spill.

Exxon also wants to prohibit the government from bringing up the pre- spill drunk driving convictions of Exxon Valdez Capt. Joseph Hazelwood, who went drinking before the tanker hit the rocks and broke open, spilling nearly 11 million gallons of oil.

Exxon wants a court order preventing a jury from learning that a new company alcohol policy was adopted after the wreck.

Exxon lawyers want a pre-trial ruling on the maximum sentence available if the companies are convicted of five environmental crimes. They object to government sentencing theories that fines could exceed $700 million.

And Exxon Shipping Co. said it should be immune from prosecution under a federal law that compels spillers to report their spills in exchange for immunity.

The various Exxon motions were submitted to U.S. District Court in Anchorage late Tuesday and placed in public files Wednesday.

Both Exxon companies were charged last February in a federal indictment with violating the Clean Water Act, the Refuse Act, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, the Ports and Waterways Safety Act and the Dangerous Cargo Act.

Federal prosecutors allege that when the Exxon Valdez hit Bligh Reef and cracked open in Prince William Sound March 24, 1989, spilling crude oil and killing tens of thousands of migratory birds and other animals, Exxon acted negligently and knowingly manned its tanker with unqualified and incomptent seamen.

Exxon wants to exclude evidence of Hazelwood's drunk driving convictions in 1985 in New York and 1988 in New Hampshire, saying that would prejudice the case and confuse the issues. Exxon called the convictions ''irrelevant'' and said the company ''did not know of them.''

Government prosecutors have charged that Hazelwood's drinking played a role in the wreck and that Exxon ignored warnings that the skipper continued to drink after an alcohol rehabilitation program.

Exxon also said it would be unfair to let prosecutors tell jurors that Exxon changed its alcohol policy after the wreck to prohibit employees treated for alcohol dependency from holding ''safety-sensitive positions.''

Pre-trial motions by Exxon lawyers also seek to exclude numerous statements by Exxon U.S.A. President William Stevens taking responsibility for the spill. Corporate lawyers even submitted 14 pages of objectionable statements by they want to prevent prosecutors from using.

For example, 10 days after the spill, Stevens told employees in a videotape: ''Let me begin in an unequivocal fashion by saying that the grounding of the tanker, the subsequent catastrophic spill, was a culmination of a series of mistakes, basically human error. There is no way that this disaster should have happened.

''But I think those of us in the management of Exxon do and must fully accept that it was our ship, it's our oil in the water, and it was our employees who were involved. We take full responsibility for not only what happened, but for dealing with the consequences of what happened.''

Among the various other statements by Stevens that Exxon lawyers want excluded is one made six weeks after the spill in which the Exxon president said, ''It's not really clear to me why everyone is so angry - once we got past the point of admitting it was our ship that went on the rocks.''

Exxon Corp. lawyers, who earlier failed to get the charges against the parent thrown out, want to distance the corporation from its subsidiary and believe the best way to do that is by having separate trials, thus avoiding guilt by assiciation in case the subsidiary is convicted.

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COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (DEC. 12) UPI - The U.S. Soccer Federation wants to change soccer's rules in time for the 1994 World Cup in the United States.

Alan Rothenberg, the recently elected president of the USSF, wrote a letter Tuesday to FIFA, soccer's governing body, saying the game needs more goal scoring if Americans are to embrace the sport.

Among the proposed changes: larger goals, a new offsides rule and elimination of walls and back kicks to the goalkeeper.

''For the sport to take root in the United States as a spectator and television sport, the rules of the game must be changed to permit more goals '' Rothenberg said in his letter to FIFA President Joao Havelange, whose group is based in Zurich, Switzerland. ''The decline in goal scoring during the recent World Cup in Italy only reinforces this view.''

The defunct North American Soccer League, which operated under the authority of the USSF, implemented rule changes of its own during its time. The experimentation was a source of irritation to FIFA executives and hurt the

United States in its earlier attempts to stage the World Cup.

The 1994 World Cup will mark the first time the tournament will be held outside Europe and Latin and Central America. The United States competed in last summer's World Cup for the first time in 40 years and was eliminated after one round.

''We do not advocate any specific rule changes at this time,'' Rothenberg wrote to Havelenge. ''We do urge the FIFA executive committee, under your leadership, to authorize experimental efforts to test many of the changes which have been advanced.

''Many of our youth, amateur and professional leagues and teams would be willing to play under the experimental rules if doing so would assist the evaluation.''

The FIFA executive committee is to meet Thursday in Zurich to discuss various issues.

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TORONTO (DEC. 12) UPI - A United States-Mexico bilateral free trade deal should precede a North American arrangement, a former U.S. trade negotiator said Wednesday.

Bill Merkin, who was deputy chief of the U.S.-Canada trade talks, said while it is far from clear how trilateral talks will proceed, there are fears Canada's participation could slow the talks.

The neighboring countries currently are discussing the framework that could be used in three-way talks and a decision on whether to enter formal talks is expected to be made early in 1991.

''There are a number of people in the United States who are leery of having Canada at the table because they think that will slow down the whole process '' Merkin said.

''They're afraid that Canada's political process is not as solid, that the current government is going to be leery of moving too far too fast,'' said Merkin, now a senior vice president of Washington-based Strategic Policy Inc..

Recent public opinion polls put Prime Minister Brian Mulroney's governing Progressive Conservatives in third place firmly behind both the Liberal and New Democrat parties, both opposed to the free trade deal with the United States.

According to some economists, Canada's next federal election, expected by 1993

will focus on the free trade issue.

Since the Canada-U.S. trade deal went into effect in January 1989, critics of the deal have attributed almost every negative development in the economy to the agreement.

The Canadian Labor Congress Tuesday said its latest data showed the bilateral deal to be ''a proven failure'' that already had killed 226, 000 Canadian jobs.

The CLC said the layoffs - ''like body counts from a foreign war'' - resulted from closures, takeovers, mergers, downsizing, shifting of production to the U.S. and Mexico and corporate restructuring.

As for trilateral talks, Merkin said, ''There's (also) some fear that Canada might use the exercise with Mexico to revist some of the areas (in the deal with the United States).''

For example, Merkin said: ''What happens if Mexico wants to carve out something special on energy and Canada is sitting there. Is Canada going to say, 'Hey, wait a minute, we did a lot on energy. If you're going to let Mexico get away with doing a little bit, we want to reopen.'''

''Those kind of complicating factors are not relished by many people in the United States, including the Congress,'' Merkin said.

Merkin added, ''I think ultimately it makes sense that you trilateralize but maybe the first step is to do it bilaterally between the United States and Mexico and then when you have the two (separate Canada and Mexico) agreements, you sit down and try to bring it all together.''

Merkin said the world is entering into a ''very difficult period of trade policy'' as shown by the failure of Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

The Uruguay Round was to have capped four years of global talks on a host of items last week, but negotiations were derailed by failure to reach a deal of how to dismantle agricultural subsidies.

Merkin said the Uruguay Round, although technically adjourned until the new year, is dying a slow death.

As a result, Merkin said the U.S. administration and Congress will be turning up the heat on trade-related items. He predicted the Congress would be chomping at the bit to get back into trade matters and that the politics in Washington mean the Administration has little flexibility to adjust its stance.

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LIMA (DEC. 12) UPI - Sereal, a petroleum exploration company, will stay on in Peru despite a guerrilla attack that caused from $2 million to $3 million in damages, Minister of Energy and Mines Fernando Sanchez said Wednesday.

Sanchez said Sereal, contracted by Mobil Oil Co., suspended its Peruvian operations temporarily for six months in order to rebuild its Amazon petroleum camp and reship equipment destroyed by a band of 100 to 150 armed rebels on Monday.

Mobil Oil and Sereal will continue prospecting and ''will respect the contract '' Sanchez said.

He said army and national police forces continued searching the jungle for rebels in the Amazon province of Bellavista near the scene of the attack at the Costa Rica petroleum camp 336 miles north of Lima.

On Monday, rebels stole into the camp and destroyed machinery, prospecting equipment, communications lines, vehicles, motors, a helicopter and living quarters, according to press reports.

The guerrilla occupation lasted nine hours, during which camp communications were severed, reports said. Initial military statements identified the guerrillas as members of the Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement, but press reports Wednesday said the attackers were members of Peru's larger communist rebel organization Shining Path.

Three people were killed in the attack, according to reports broadcast by Radio Imagen from the Amazon city of Tarapota.

The rebel attack was made easier by the fact that the petroleum camp was unguarded by either military or police forces.

Politicians from a wide range of political parties condemned the attack, the first in Peru in a decade of guerrilla warfare.

Since Shining Path staged its first act in 1980, 20,000 people have died in political violence.

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MAYNARD, Mass. (DEC. 12) UPI - In its continuing effort to tighten operations in the face of a gathering recession, Digital Equipment Corp. shuffled top management and said Wednesday its first-ever layoffs could come as soon as next month.

Digital, the nation's No. 2 computer maker after International Business

Machines Corp., is trying to slash up to 6,000 employees by June, most of them by the end of this month, said spokeswoman Nikki Richardson.

The computer giant hopes the cuts, which would represent almost 5 percent of its worldwide work force of 124,000, can be achieved through a voluntary severance program, Richardson said.

However, senior managers in January are ''going to take a look at the results of the program vis-a-vis business conditions (and) outside economic conditions and decide where to go from there,'' Richardson said.

Meanwhile, the company assigned three top executives to new duties in what Richardson said was an effort to become more efficient.

One executive, David W. Grainger, who has headed the company's vital U.S. sales and service operations, was shifted to a newly created job handling relations with original equipment manufacturer customers. He continues to report to John H. Smith, the company's senior vice president for operations.

Taking Grainger's old job and some added duties is be Donald P. Zereski, who now also reports to Smith. Zereski previously was head of customer service.

The third new appointment was Russell Gullotti, vice president of corporate services.

Thus far, only 600 employees eligible for the voluntary severance deal have taken it, Richardson said. But this figure is deceiving, she added, because the ''lion's share'' of employees who have been offered a severance package since Digital began the program in September still have time before they must respond.

In any case, she said, only about 7,000 employees in the United States are currently considering such an offer.

Although Richardson could not provide a figure for how many overseas employees have been given the severance option, the low number of U.S. employees eligible suggests suggests the company would have to persuade a very high percentage to accept the deal at a time when deepening economic difficulties are likely to make jobholders especially unwilling to give up their positions.

On the New York Stock Exchange Wednesday, the price of Digital stock rose by $2.375 to $57 a share in active trading.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - A cold front brought an abrupt end to unseasonably warm, clear weather in the Rockies Wednesday, plunging high-temperature readings by

as much as 25 degrees and dumping snow over Colorado, Wyoming and Montana.

Elsewhere, a second weather disturbance brought up to a half foot of snow to northern Minnesota early Wednesday, while fog blanketed the northern Great Plains.

A winter storm warning was posted Wednesday for the southwestern mountains of Colorado, where 8 inches to a foot of snow were expected through the evening, and a snow advisory was in effect for higher levels in the rest of the state.

The snow was blown in from the west by a cold front that also sent temperatures plummeting in Colorado, which saw the mercury reach a balmy high of 72 degrees Tuesday at La Junta and Wheatridge, the National Weather Service said.

Overall, high-temperature readings in the Rocky Mountain State Wednesday were 10 degrees to 25 degrees colder than the previous day, with the highs climbing only into the 30s in northern Colorado, weather bureau said.

A few snow showers also were reported Wednesday over Wyoming and eastern Montana.

Strong, blustery winds prevailed ahead of the cold front, from the southern Plains to the middle Mississippi Valley, the weather service said.

Light rain showers dampened southern parts of California and Arizona as well as the northern Pacific Coast, and rain interspersed with snow showers fell over southern Utah.

Patchy dense fog socked in parts of the northern Great Plains from Sioux Falls S.D., to Sioux City, Iowa, with visibilities near zero reported in several areas. Wisconsin and Nebraska also were affected by the fog.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 13) UPI - MCA Inc. and Mastsushita Electric Industrial Co. said Wednesday they have reached settlements in five of the six shareholder suits challanging the $6.6 billion buyout of MCA by the Japanese electronics giant.

The companies said they have an agreement in principle that will result in the dismissal of the five actions, filed in California and Delaware courts. MCA is headquartered in Los Angeles and incorporated in Delaware.

The companies said the settlement is conditioned upon dismissal of the sixth suit, filed Dec. 6 by stockholder Lawrence Epstein. That suit alleged that the $66-a-share agreement announced by the companies on Dec. 2 is unfair to

shareholders and specifically cited the portions of the deal involving MCA Chairman Lew Wasserman.

Wasserman is exchanging his 4.95 million shares of common stock for preferred stock with a face value of $327 million, with an annual dividend of $28.6 million. He is also getting a five-year management contract at $3 million per year.

Wednesday's announcement said a hearing on the Epstein case has been tentatively scheduled for Dec. 28 in Los Angeles.

Go-Video, a small Arizona company that produces dual-deck videocassette recorders, recently filed a federal lawsuit seeking to block the MCA deal. That action accused Matsushita of engaging in anticompetitive practices to force American electronics companies out of the market.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 13) UPI - An Illinois appellate court Wednesday rejected American Airlines' efforts to turn back a suit filed on behalf of 9 million ''frequent flyers,'' and ordered the case to trial in Cook County Circuit Court.

The class action suit filed in 1988 accused American Airlines of breaking its frequent flyer contract, which had offered free seats on any flight destination. The airline changed the program that year and limited the number of seats available during peak travel times.

American had asked the appeals court to dismiss the suit on the grounds that federal law prohibits travelers from suing airlines over flight scheduling matters.

Attorney Gilbert Gordon, who filed the suit, said the ruling is the first addressing frequent flyer programs and could open the door for suits against other airlines. A similar suit against Delta Airlines is pending before the state appeals court.

In the appellate panel's decision, Justice William White wrote provisions in the Federal Aviation Act - which bar customers from suing over pre-emptive rates, routes and services - do not apply in this case.

The suit involves travelers who accumulated credits under American's ''AAdvantage'' program, established in 1981.

Under the program, travelers could collect one mile of credit for every mile they flew on American Airlines. The credits could then be used on any available seat to any of the airline's destinations.

But, Gordon said in 1988 American changed the program and limited the number of seats available during peak travel seasons.

''What American Airlines did was change the rules in midstream,'' Gordon said. ''The customers performed their part of the bargain, but American refused to live up to their promise.''

American spokesman Tom Stack said the airline had not decided whether to appeal the decision, but he said the airline could seek to have the case moved from the state court to the federal arena.

''We're looking at our options,'' he said. ''We haven't made any decisions yet.''

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#90346u2293 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 12) UPI - President Bush today praised the development in the super-power relationship and said he is waiving restrictions and will provide up to one-BILLION dollars in agriculture credits to the Soviet Union. The credits are aimed at helping Moscow overcome critical food shortages this winter. Bush announced that he is waiving the 1974 Jackson-Vanik Act, which bars preferential credit guarantees to the Soviet Union because of its restrictive emigration policies.

The president announced his farm credit help for the Soviet Union after a meeting with Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze. The Soviet diplomat also will meet with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and with Angolan rebel officials. Secretary of State Baker will meet with officials of the Soviet-backed Angolan regime, and if things go as planned, the meetings could signal the end of the 15-year Angolan civil war.

President Saddam Hussein of Iraq brought in a tough hard-liner as defense minister today, demoting the man who has held the job in a fourth top-level government change since the invasion of Kuwait. One Arab diplomat in Cairo told U-P-I that the move is Saddam trying to impress on the United States that his military means business in the Persian Gulf.

It looks now as if there are just 15 more Americans in Kuwait who want to be evacuated. The State Department says the 15 are expected to be aboard a chartered jetliner when it leaves Kuwait tomorrow morning. A spokesman says it has NOT been decided yet whether the last four American diplomats in the Embassy in Kuwait will leave with the 15.

Reputed mob boss John Gotti is being held with two top aides on a federal indictment on charges of ordering the murder of Gambino crime family chief Paul Castellano. An arraignment hearing in U- S District Court in Manhattan

was continued until Monday at 10 a-m, E-S- T. And the judge ordered Gotti and two aides held until the hearing. Gotti's attorney argued that the government's indictment against Gotti is a case of what he termed ''Mafia madness.''

The record store owner who was convicted of obscenity charges in the sale of an album by the rap group 2-Live Crew was sentenced today. Store owner Charles Freeman was ordered to pay a one-thousand-dollar fine to a Fort Lauderdale, Florida, elementary school that recently lost many of its musical instruments in a robbery.

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(DEC. 12) UPI - President Bush says the Soviet Union is facing what he termed ''tough times'' this winter, and he will try to help by granting the Russians up to one-BILLION dollars in farm export credits. Bush also announced today that he will fly to Moscow on February 11th for a summit with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. The summit is being scheduled so the leaders can sign the strategic arms reduction treaty, or START.

The assistant education secretary for civil rights is causing a stir. Top Education Department official Michael Williams announced a new enforcement strategy. He said scholarships for minorities may be violating civil rights laws, putting scholarships in jeopardy at black colleges and other institutions. Williams says any scholarship that is designated for a particular race or minority violate civil rights laws, if the university receives federal financial aid.

The official Soviet news agency Tass reports that an Austrian cosmonaut will be launched into space next October 2nd aboard a Soviet rocket in a continuing series of commercial flights. Word of the Austrian mission comes just two days after a Japanese journalist returned to Earth from a visit to the orbiting Mir space station. A Japanese T-V network reportedly paid up to 12-Million dollars for its employee to ride on the Soviet mission.

Atomic scientist Edward Teller says he feels like a ''born-again Hungarian'' today. Teller was presented with the highest decoration from his native Hungary... the Hungarian Republic's Order of the Banner with Rubies. The 82-year-old scientist received the award in a ceremony in Washington.

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#90346u2602 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 12) UPI - Egypt's president says the situation in the Persian Gulf is getting worse. Hosni Mubarak says says he'll continue trying to save Iraq from what he termed ''destruction,'' but at the same time is sticking to his position that Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait. Mubarak spoke after Iraqi

President Saddam Hussein replaced his defense minister with a tough young war hero. One Arab diplomat in Cairo calls the move a show of strength from Saddam.

One doctor says it's a ''miracle'' that NO one was killed when an Amtrak passenger train derailed and rammed into a commuter train today in Boston. More than 260 people were injured- some seriously- in the crash that twisted cars into unrecognizable wreckage and touched off a fire fueled by spilled diesel oil. The Amtrak was being driven by an apprentice engineer who is hospitalized in intensive care with undetermined injuries.

President Bush says Washington will provide as much as one-BILLION- dollars in agriculture export credits to ease the food shortage in Moscow. Bush made his announcement today in a Rose Garden ceremony with Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze and Secretary of State Baker at his side. Bush stresses that he wants Mikhail Gorbachev's reforms to work, saying the Soviets face- ''difficult times to stay the course on democratization.''

The State Department says the United States is rejecting all parties in Bangladesh to ''reject violence'' and begin rebuilding in ''a spirit of dialogue and cooperation.'' The call from Washington came today as Bangladesh's ousted President Hussein Mohammed Ershad was arrested. Ershad is being held under house arrest amid reports that an interim government will investigate alleged corruption and abuse of power during his eight years in office.

Frank Sinatra is NOT one to take the day off to celebrate his birthday. Ol' Blue Eyes' is marking his 75th year doing what he does best- singing on stage, along in the spotlight. Sinatra will perform to a sold-out crowd at the Meadowlands' Byrne Arena in East Rutherford, New Jersey. The concert is being held only a few miles from Hoboken, where Sinatra was born December 12th, 1915.

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#90346u2811 12/12/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 12) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has ordered air shelters built in Baghdad and replaced his defense minister with a hard- line war hero. One Arab envoy says Saddam is telling Americans- quote ''his military means business.''

Amtrak says an apprentice engineer was ''fully qualified'' to be running the train that derailed and collided with another train today in Boston. NO one was killed but 264 people were injured in today's rush- hour collision.

President Bush says he wants to help the Soviet Union, which is- in Bush's words- ''facing tough times.'' Bush met with the Soviet foreign minister before announcing as assistance package to help Moscow deal with food shortages.

Scientists say a polar bear that killed a man in an Alaska village during the weekend was starving. Researchers found NO fatty tissue on the bear that was tracked down and shot after the first polar bear attack on a human in memory.

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WOODSTOCK, VT (DEC. 12) UPI - New England Ski Areas Council official summary of snow conditions at New England ski areas as of 7 a.m. Dec. 12, 1990.

Skiing conditions are subject to change due to weather, skier traffic, and other factors. Be aware of changing conditions.

Legend: new-inches of new snow snowfall ending in last 24 hours, pdr-powder snow, pp-packed powder, wet gr-wet granular, lsgr-loose granular, frgr-frozen granular, corn-corn snow, mgs-machine groomed surface (where two such terms appear, the former shows conditions on 70 percent or more terrain, and the latter the next-most-prevalent condition) vc-variable conditions, sc-spring conditions xx of 00 trails-number of trails open, sm-snow made in last 24 hours, tc-thin cover, wbln-windblown snow, var-variable, ns-night skiing available, no-not operating, opr-operating.

Connecticut

Powder Ridge new pp / 5- 18 base 3 trails 3 lifts sm ns

Woodbury new pp / 5- 15 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm ns

Massachusetts

Brodie Mtn new pp / 6- 28 base 4 trails 3 lifts sm ns

Jiminy Peak new pp /lsgr 12- 32 base 6 trails 2 lifts sm ns

Nashoba Valley new pp / 9- 18 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm ns

Wachusett Mtn new pp / 8- 36 base 4 trails 3 lifts sm ns

Maine

Mt. Abram new pp /lsgr 6- 36 base 8 trails 2 lifts sm

Shawnee Peak new pp / 6- 24 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

Sugarloaf/usa new pp /lsgr 6- 44 base 24 trails 3 lifts sm

Sunday River new pp /lsgr 16- 36 base 29 trails 5 lifts sm

New Hampshire

Attitash new pp / 12- 72 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm

Gunstock new lsgr / 6- 18 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Loon Mountain new pp /frgr 8- 14 base 5 trails 3 lifts sm

Ragged Mtn new lsgr /frgr 4- 24 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Waterville Vly new lsgr / 7- 16 base 8 trails 5 lifts sm

Wildcat Mtn new pp / 14- 84 base 10 trails 3 lifts sm

New York

Belleayre new lsgr / 4- 20 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

Brantling 2 new pp / 10- 20 base 2 trails 2 lifts

Bristol Mtn new / 6- 20 base 4 trails 1 lifts sm

Gore Mountain new pp / 10- 30 base 4 trails 4 lifts sm

Holiday Valley new vc /lsgr 0- 12 base 4 trails 3 lifts sm

Hunter Mountain new pp /lsgr 6- 49 base 28 trails 13 lifts sm

Kissing Bridge new lsgr /vc 0- 22 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Ski Windham new pp / 8- 41 base 10 trails 3 lifts sm

Swain Ski Ctr new pp /lsgr 12- 24 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Titus Mountain new pp / 6- 10 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm

Whiteface new frgr /vc 2- 26 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm

Pennsylvania

Seven Springs new pp /lsgr 0- 18 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm

Shawnee Mtn new lsgr / 5- 20 base 1 trails 1 lifts

Vermont

Bromley Mtn new lsgr / 4- 20 base 4 trails 4 lifts sm

Burke Mountain 3 new pp /lsgr 5- 15 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Jay Peak new pp /frgr 4- 26 base 17 trails 3 lifts sm

Killington new pp /lsgr 16- 30 base 34 trails 10 lifts sm

Magic Mountain new pp / 12- 18 base 8 trails 2 lifts sm

Mt. Snow new lsgr /pp 12- 24 base 22 trails 6 lifts sm

Okemo Mountain new pp /lsgr 16- 24 base 27 trails 6 lifts sm

Pico new pp /lsgr 10- 30 base 9 trails 4 lifts sm

Smugglers Notch new frgr /pp 4- 24 base 12 trails 2 lifts

Stowe new frgr / 10- 36 base 8 trails 4 lifts sm

Stratton Mtn new pp /lsgr 15- 26 base 10 trails 4 lifts sm

Sugarbush new pp / 15- 52 base 16 trails 5 lifts sm

New England winter sports outlook: Mostly cloudy today. High in 20s to mid 30s north, mid 30s to mid 40s south. Tonight partly to mostly cloudy south to north, a chance of light mixed precipitation north. Lows in 20s and 30s. Thursday partly cloudy, chance of showers south, mostly cloudy north with chance of mixed precipitation. Highs from 30s to mid 50s north to south.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 12) UPI - NBC has cancelled ''Grand'' and ''Ferris Bueller,'' put ''American Dreamer'' on hiatus and will bring ''Dark Shadows,'' ''Seinfeld'' and two new shows to its schedule, it was announced Wednesday.

In addition, ''Dear John,'' ''Night Court'' and Wings'' will move to new time periods.

The fate of ''Parenthood'' has not yet been decided.

''Dark Shadows,'' once an ABC Gothic soap opera, debuts as an NBC prime time series starring Ben Cross with a four-hour miniseries to air Sunday, Jan. 13 and Monday, Jan. 14. It deals with the mysterious events that begin in Collinsport, Maine., after the arrival of governess Victoria Witners (Joanna Going) and Barnabas Collins (Cross).

It's regular time period will be Fridays at 9 p.m. Eastern time.

''Blossom,'' another new show, stars Mayim Bialik and Ted Wass in a series about an astute and witty teenage girl who lives with her two older brothers and her divorced father. It will follow ''Fresh Prince of Bel Air'' on Mondays.

''Sunday Best'' is described as a topical and comedic magazine show featuring mostly original material as well as clips from NBC programs. It will kick offSunday night, to be followed by the already announced ''Real Life with Jane Pauley'' and ''Expose.''

''Seinfeld,'' the show starring comic Jerry Seinfeld that was given a summer limited run, joins the Wednesday night lineup. The new schedule will go into effect in January _ no date specified yet _ and looks like this:

Monday: ''Fresh Prince of Bel Air,'' ''Blossom,'' NBC Monday movie.

Tuesday: No change.

Wednesday: ''Unsolved Mysteries,'' ''Night Court,'' ''Seinfeld,'' ''Hunter.''

Thursday: ''The Cosby Show,'' ''A Different World,'' ''Cheers,'' ''Wings,'' ''L.A. Law.''

Friday: ''Quantum Leap,'' ''Dark Shadows,'' ''Midnight Caller.''

Saturday: ''Amen,'' ''The Fanelli Boys,'' ''The Golden Girls,'' ''Empty Nest '' ''Carol & Company,'' ''Dear John.''

Sunday: ''Sunday Best,'' ''Real Life with Jane Pauley,'' ''Expose,'' NBC Sunday movie.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Haben Industries (NASDAQ:HABN) has reached an agreement and has signed a formal letter of intent to acquire a privately held Los Angeles area-based California company called Custom Rotational Molding (CRM).

Haben will finance the acquisition through issuing its own restricted common stock for all of the shares outstanding of (CRM). The acquisition is valued at $3.5 million.

Custom Rotational Molding manufactures various plastic products for private and military use. CRM utilizes cross-linkable polyethylene from Gyron Compounds Inc. in molding these products.

Annual sales for (CRM) in 1990 will be in excess of $5 million. This will give all of the companies under Haben's umbrella total sales of approximately $12

million in 1990, prior to the consolidation of these companies.

Besides exclusively molding all the automated refuse carts for Master Cart, CRM primarily performs custom molding for other clients. These custom jobs require CRM to design, develop and manufacture the product based on the client's individual needs.

Haben has also acquired Gyron Compounds Inc., Master Cart Inc., and Good Development Polymers. These companies are related entities involved in designing, developing, manufacturing, and marketing of polyethylene products.

New plans also include a five year lease of an approximately 60,000 square foot building located in Southern California which will consolidate a large portion of Haben's West Coast manufacturing activities. This additional space is needed by CRM to take care of its current backlog of sales.

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ALAMOSA, CO (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Qual-Med Inc., a Colorado-based HMO with operations in five western states, has filed suit against Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Colorado charging predatory and unfair trade practices and seeking more than $2 million in actual damages as well as $10 million in punitive damages.

The complaint, filed Dec. 11 in the State District Court in Alamosa, focuses on a 1988 health insurance contract awarded to Blue Cross by the State Employees and Officials Group Insurance Board (SEOGI).

The contract excluded all other HMOs from bidding on and providing health care coverage to 33,000 Colorado state employees and gave Blue Cross a virtual monopoly on this business.

The complaint states three causes of action. The first count alleges that Blue Cross violated Colorado's ''sales below cost'' law. That law makes it illegal for a company to offer its services at a price below the cost, where such a sale is designed to harm competition.

The second count alleges that Blue Cross violated Colorado's antitrust laws by entering into the contract with the intent to harm competition in the health care marketplace.

The third count alleges that Blue Cross improperly interfered with Qual-Med's then-existing and prospective contractual relations with the State in connection with Blue Cross's entry into the 1988 contract.

Public reaction to the 1988 SEOGI-Blue Cross contract was so swift and so negative that the state legislature, upon reviewing the matter, abolished the SEOGI board in its entirety and directed that other HMOs be included in health insurance offerings to state employees, beginning in 1991.

Qual-Med was successful in regaining much of the business lost in the 1988 contract to Blue Cross when open bidding was conducted in 1990 and will resume services to state employees in 1991.

Founded in 1985, Qual-Med Inc. offers managed health care to members in Colorado, New Mexico, Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

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#90347b0015 12/13/1990 ~Business Wire

LOUISVILLE, COLO. (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Explosive Fabricators Inc. (NASDAQ:BOOM) announced that William F. Sharp, president, announced record order bookings of $2.1 million in the month of November.

These orders are scheduled for completion during 1991. Included in the order total for the month is an order from Boeing's Commercial Airplane Group for the production of explosion formed Lipskin/ D-duct sets for the 757 class of aircraft.

An additional order for tooling and fixtures to manufacture the associated parts is undergoing Boeing's final approval. The Boeing orders are valued at approximately $942,000.

Sharp stated that ''The Boeing activity continues EFI's penetration of the commercial and military aircraft and aerospace markets. The work contemplated by these orders confirms the value of the company's explosion forming technology in the commercial aircraft market.''

EFI provides a wide variety of specialized metal products used in the chemical processing, electronic, aerospace and naval markets.

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#90347b0031 12/13/1990 ~Business Wire
DENVER (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Hamilton Oil Corp. Thursday announced an oil discovery on Block 110/13 in the Morcambe Bay area of the Irish Sea off the west coast of England.

Well 110/13-2, an exploration well, tested 44 degrees API oil at a stabilized rate of 1800 barrels per day through a 36/64 inch choke. Well 110/13-2 is located approximately 5-1/2 miles southwest of Well 110/13-1 on a separate prospect.

Well 110/13-1 was announced earlier this year as a natural gas discovery which tested at the rate of 70 million cubic feet per day.

On the same block, Well 110/13-3 has also been recently drilled. This appraisal well, located approximately two miles north of Well 110/13-1 and on the same prospect, successfully confirmed the northern extension of the natural gas accumulation. Additional exploration and appraisal drilling is planned on Block 110/13 during 1991.

Owners of Block 110/13 are:

Hamilton Oil Corp. (operator)	45 percent
Ultramar Exploration Ltd.	30 percent
Monument Resources Ltd.	25 percent

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#90347b0050 12/13/1990 ~Business Wire
KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Thursday announced the signing of contracts with Reynolds and Reynolds Co. and Cellular Inc.

The total value of the two contracts is estimated in the multi-million dollar range.

The contracts provide the following Virtual Private Network (VPNsm) services for each US Sprint customer:

US Sprint will become Reynolds and Reynolds' primary long distance carrier, linking Reynolds business forms manufacturing locations and its nearly 300 sales offices.

Cellular Inc. will offer US Sprint's long distance service to its subscribers in nine Midwestern and Western states.

Individual releases give the detailed information on each contract.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the only nationwide all-digital, all fiber-optic network.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint has signed a one-year contract to provide a Virtual Private Network (VPNsm)for Cellular Inc., based in Englewood, Colo., as part of a growing trend to connect cellular networks with long distance networks.

Cellular Inc. will offer US Sprint long distance service to its subscribers in rural and metropolitan areas in nine Mid-western and Western states.

The cellular company also will use VPN for internal traffic between its regional sales offices.

''Sprint's VPN(sm) service will link Cellular, Inc.'s service areas and help it continue to create a region-wide, seamless cellular network,'' said Dave Dorman, president of US Sprint's Business Market Group. ''We consolidated all of Cellular Inc.'s telecommunications needs in one package.''

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the only nationwide all-digital, all fiber-optic network.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - UtiliCorp United (NYSE:UCU) Thursday announced to members of the New York financial community that it expects record financial results both in the fourth quarter and for 1990.

It will be the third consecutive year in which UtiliCorp has logged record results.

UtiliCorp estimates that 1990 net income will be $58.2 million, compared to $48.3 million in 1989. Primary earnings per common share are estimated to be $2.10, versus $2.04 last year. Operating revenues are estimated at $798 million, compared with $732 million in 1989.

In the fourth quarter ending Dec. 31, the company estimates net income of $20.3 million, compared with $13.9 million in the 1989 quarter. Primary earnings per common share are projected at $.71, versus $.56 in the prior year's period. Operating revenues are estimated to be $224 million, compared with $237 million in the 1989 quarter.

Average common shares outstanding have increased from 20.9 million in 1989 to 24 million this year. The increase is due primarily to a public offering of 2 million shares in late 1989 and another offering of 4 million shares in November 1990.

In a presentation in New York, UtiliCorp Chairman and President Richard C. Green Jr., noted that the estimated financial results illustrate the continuing success of the company's growth strategy.

The anticipated record is attributable to a combination of significantly higher earnings from the company's PSI subsidiary, the first full year of contributions from the recently acquired Michigan Gas Utilities division and gas and electric rate decisions rendered during the fourth quarter affecting Missouri operations.

''The results speak for themselves,'' Green said. ''Our strategy is working despite the abnormally mild weather experienced in our service territory this year.''

UtiliCorp began pursuing a growth strategy in 1985 that focuses on the acquisition of regulated gas and electric utilities and the startup and development of non-regulated, energy-related businesses.

The company is actively pursuing its growth plan. UtiliCorp announced today that is has signed a definitive agreement to acquire an electric utility owned by Centel Corp. in a transaction valued at approximately $346 million. Upon completion of the transaction, UtiliCorp will own eight regulated utility operations. The Centel utility serves approximately 136,000 customers in Colorado and Kansas. The acquisition is expected to be completed by mid-1991.

PSI's earnings contributions have been boosted by a first quarter gain on the sale of oil and gas reserves and an aggressive strategy to acquire reserves and natural gas transmission and processing facilities. The subsidiary is expected to contribute approximately 20 percent of UtiliCorp's consolidated net income this year, up from approximately 11 percent last year. PSI's investment during 1990 in reserves and transmission and processing facilities is expected to total $237 million.

In July, PSI and an investment partner acquired a 1,200-mile natural gas transmission system and related processing facilities in Texas. In October, PSI completed the additional acquisition of processing facilities and an 85-mile gas transmission and gathering system in western Oklahoma. It also has acquired several oil and gas reserve properties mainly located in the Gulf of Mexico.

Improved 1990 earnings also are attributable to the resolution in the fourth quarter of separate gas and electric rate increase requests in Missouri. The Missouri Public Service Commission has authorized an electric rate increase of $12.4 million, or 6.5 percent, and a gas rate increase of $4 million, or 14.1 percent.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides gas and electric service to approximately 820,000 customers in eight states and in British Columbia. The company also is engaged in various non-regulated energy and utility related enterprises.

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DENVER (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - All regulatory and bondholder approvals have been secured to legally merge Mountain Bell, Northwestern Bell and Pacific Northwest Bell under the corporate name U S WEST Communications Inc.

The merger will be effective Jan. 1, 1991.

U S WEST Inc.'s three telephone companies began operating as U S WEST Communications in July 1988, but the companies continued to exist as separate entities for legal and regulatory purposes. With the necessary approvals in place, the company will now align its legal structure with its operating and marketing structure.

''The merger is a logical extension of the regional marketing and operational restructuring that has evolved over the past few years,'' said Gary Ames, U S

WEST Communications President and Chief Executive Officer. ''Our customers know us as U S WEST Communications; now everyone we do business with will know us by the same name.''

In addition to the structural advantages, Ames said the merger will bring future benefits in the area of debt financing. The merged company will provide a basis for strengthened credit quality and stability with its more diversified base.

Several steps were involved in securing approvals for the merger. First, the company contacted holders of 37 debentures issued by Mountain, Northwestern and Pacific Northwest Bells for approval to modify each indenture to allow the merger to proceed.

U S WEST Communications then reviewed the merger plans with state commissions in each of the 14 states it serves and made filings in states with laws that provide for formal regulatory review of mergers of this type.

U S WEST Communications, the largest subsidiary of U S WEST Inc., serves the communications needs of 25 million customers in 14 western states.

U S WEST Inc., based in Englewood, Colo., is a $23 billion diversified company that also owns businesses involved in radio communications, directory publishing, business communications sales and services, communications software and financial services.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - John M. Richards, 53, was elected to the board of directors of Potlatch Corp. at its meeting Thursday, announced Richard B. Madden, chairman and chief executive officer.

Richards has served as Potlatch president and chief operating officer since 1989. The son of an Idaho lumberman, he has spent his entire career in the forest products industry. Richards was vice president and general manager of the St. Maries Plywood Co. in Idaho at the time Potlatch acquired it in 1969, and went on to serve in a number of managerial posts, including vice president of the western division, wood products group.

He moved to the San Francisco corporate office in 1976 as senior vice president, finance, assuming the expanded responsibilities of senior vice president, finance and administration in 1983, and the duties of executive vice president, finance and administration in 1987. Richards holds an undergraduate degree from Stanford University and a graduate degree from the Harvard School of Business.

Richards' directorship is effective Jan. 1, 1991. He fills a vacancy left by Richard G. Landis, who is retiring from the board on Dec. 31 after 17 years of service.

Potlatch is a diversified manufacturer of forest products with timberland in Arkansas, Idaho and Minnesota.

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Delphine Hirasuna, 415/576-8813 or 415/752-8418 (home)

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - John R. Russell has been elected president and chief executive officer of Litton's Houston-based Western Atlas International high-technology oil services subsidiary.

He also has been elected a senior vice president of Litton.

Russell succeeds M. Howard Dingman Jr., who is retiring on Jan. 2, 1991 after 42 years of service with the company.

Russell, 52, had been Western Atlas executive vice president and chief operating officer since last May. Earlier, he was senior vice president and chief financial officer for three years following the establishment of Western Atlas in 1987.

From 1983 to 1987, Russell was senior vice president of finance and administration for Litton's Resources group. He had joined the group staff in 1975 as a vice president. Russell started work with Litton's Western Geophysical division in 1969, became controller the following year and was named division vice president of finance in 1973.

Western Atlas, a majority-owned Litton subsidiary, is a leader in seismic surveying, oil well logging, core and fluid analysis and integrated reservoir description services. Western Atlas sales increased from $819 million in fiscal 1989 to $961 million in fiscal 1990. It is currently Litton's No. 1 growth business.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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Robert S. Knapp, 213/859-5907 (office)
805/496-2453 (home)

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HOUSTON (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. announced Thursday that stockholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990 would receive a cash dividend of 4 cents per share payable on Jan. 22, 1991.

This is the third cash dividend paid by Santa Fe Energy Resources since its initial public offering in March of this year.

Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. is a large independent oil and gas exploration and production company with headquarters in Houston. Its stock is traded on the NYSE under the symbol SFR.

CONTACT: Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc., Houston
C. Ed Hall, 713/783-2401

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LAS VEGAS (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Gallery of History Inc. (NASDAQ:HIST) announced Thursday that it has entered into an agreement with Ladenburg, Thalmann and Co. Inc., pursuant to which Ladenburg will act as the company's exclusive financial advisor in connection with the possible sale of the company or any of its assets, securities or business.

The agreement with Ladenburg represents an attempt by the company toward enhancing shareholder valuation, according to Todd M. Axelrod, president of the company.

Axelrod continued: ''The company believes that its substantial inventory of approximately 124,000 originally signed historical documents purchased over the years has a significantly higher current market value than the company's carrying value of $8,255,533 recorded on its books at the lower of historical cost or market value at Sept. 30, 1990.''

Gallery of History Inc., the largest dealer of original historical documents in the world, operates eight retail galleries in Las Vegas, Dallas, Costa Mesa Calif., New York City, Washington, Denver, Los Angeles and Beverly Hills, Calif.

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Todd M. Axelrod, 702/364-1000
or
Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co. Inc.
Ronald J. Kramer, 212/940-0100

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Santa Anita Realty Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:SAR) has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 52 cents per share, it was announced Thursday.

The dividend is payable Jan. 11, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 1.

The Santa Anita Companies comprise Santa Anita Realty Enterprises Inc. and Santa Anita Operating Co. The shares of the two Santa Anita companies trade on a ''paired'' basis on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SAR.

Santa Anita Realty Enterprises Inc., one of the nation's leading real estate investment trusts, owns the Santa Anita racetrack property, a 50 percent interest in the operation of Santa Anita Fashion Park and a 32.5 percent interest in Towson Town Center (major regional shopping centers), a number of neighborhood shopping centers, and interests in an industrial park, three apartment projects and three office buildings.

Santa Anita Operating Co. conducts thoroughbred horse racing at Santa Anita Park through its subsidiary, the Los Angeles Turf Club Inc.

CONTACT: Santa Anita Realty Enterprises Inc., Los Angeles
Royce B. McKinley, 213/485-9220
or
Braun & Co., Los Angeles
Tom Reed, 213/385-3481

-30- 1436
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SALT LAKE CITY (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Broadcast International Inc. (NASDAQ:BRIN) Thursday announced that a public offering of 1,780,000 shares of common stock, through its underwriter, William Blair & Co., has been priced at $7.50 per share.

The company will sell 850,000 shares of common stock, and selling shareholders will sell 930,000 shares. The company will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale by the selling shareholders. The company and the selling shareholders have granted the underwriter an option to purchase up to an additional 250,000 shares (up to 45,000 from the company and up to 205,000 shares from the selling shareholders).

The company also announced that a registration statement, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, became effective on Dec. 13.

Broadcast installs, operates and provides in-store point-of-purchase advertising, background music and other point-to-multipoint communications

services via private satellite communication systems. Broadcast common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol BRIN.

A prospectus relating to the securities may be obtained from the offices of William Blair & Co., 135 South LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill. 60603, Attn: Prospectus Clerk.

CONTACT: Broadcast International Inc., Salt Lake City
Reed L. Benson, 801/562-2252

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SEATTLE (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Resources Inc. (BR) Thursday announced that it is reviewing the possible separation of its natural gas pipeline business.

The company said this review is part of its ongoing policy of exploring ways to enhance shareholder value and focusing on its core business of exploring for and producing natural gas and oil.

The company also noted that in connection with its review, it had filed with the Internal Revenue Service a request for a ruling that a separation of the business would be tax free to the company and its shareholders. Any transaction would be subject to completion of the company's review, board approval and other conditions.

CONTACT: Burlington Resources Inc., Seattle
D.L. Pope, 206/467-3846

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DE PERE, WI (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert J. Mettner, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of De Pere Federal Savings announced Thursday that the association's board of directors declared a 8.5 cents per share cash dividend on the association's common stock for the quarter ending Dec. 31.

The cash dividend will be payable on Jan. 11, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 28.

De Pere Federal converted to a stock association in April, 1990, and declared its first dividend in September, 1990, paying 7.5 cents a share.

The association is a federally chartered stock savings association headquartered in De Pere. The association is primarily engaged in the business of attracitng deposits from the general public and using such

deposits, in addition to other borrowings, to originate conventional one-to-four family and consumer loans and, to a lesser extent, multi-family residential real estate loans, and to purchase mortgage-backed securities and United States Government and agency oblications.

De Pere Federal Savings operates four offices in the metropolitan Green Bay area. At Sept. 30, the association had $106 million in assets and its net worth was $9.9 million or 9.3 percent of assets. The association's common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ System under the symbol ''DPFS.'' Market Makers for De Pere Federal stock are Carr Securities and Howe Barnes Investments.

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Richard C. Smits, 414/337-2400

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HOUSTON (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Houston-area travel agents have banded together to wish Continental Airlines and its Houston employees continued success with its financial reorganization.

More than 135 local travel agencies this week made cash donations to purchase a newspaper advertisement in which they express support for Continental.

''It is vitally important to the traveling public that Continental receives our continued backing,'' said Drake L. Hiller, President and CEO of Ace Travel House, Inc., which co-sponsored the pro-Continental message. ''Travel agencies want to make sure that the airline industry remains competitive, and Continental is an important factor in the competitive mix. We continue to book Continental flights as usual.''

Travel agents have praised Continental for the manner in which the airline handled its bankruptcy filing on December 3. Immediately upon filing initial papers with the court, the carrier sought protection for travel agents and travelers. This ensured that travel agents continued to receive uninterrupted commission payments and all travelers could continue to use ''pre-petition'' tickets.

The U.S. Department of Transportation echoed travel agents' sentiments in a recent letter to the public. ''Along with the plan to operate its full flight schedule, Continental effectively has continued operation without missing a step,'' said Hoyte B. Decker, assistant director for consumer affairs. ''The effect is significant for persons holding tickets...and enhances consumer confidence in the company over the long term.''

Continental has been an aggressive advocate for the travel agency community in recent years. Selling more than two-thirds of its tickets through travel agents, Continental has developed programs that promote travel agencies

instead of circumventing them. Continental pays travel agencies approximately $500 million in commissions annually.

The idea for the advertisement supporting Continental was initially developed by three co-sponsor travel agencies. Participating were Stan St. Pierre, president of Supertravel; Barney Kogan, chairman of Lifeco Travel; and Drake L. Hiller, president and CEO of Ace Travel House - a Consolidated Travel Service agency.

CONTACT: Ace Travel House
Drake L. Hiller, 713/797-9495 KEYWORD: CALIFORNIA

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#90347b0129 12/13/1990 ~Business Wire
PHOENIX (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Arizona Land Income Corp. (AMEX:AZL), an independent real estate trust (REIT), Thursday declared a fourth quarter dividend of 8 cents per share, payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record December 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Arizona Land Income Corp., Phoenix
Tom Hislop, 602/952-6800
Marty Murphy, 602/952-6800

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HOUSTON (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. Thursday announced the election of Marc J. Shapiro to its board of directors.

Shapiro is president and chief executive officer of Texas Commerce Bancshares. He is a 1969 graduate of Harvard University and received an MBA from Stanford University in 1971.

Shapiro joined Texas Commerce in 1972 and has since held a variety of increasingly responsible positions. He assumed his current position at Texas Commerce Bancshares in December 1989, and was named to the Office of the Chairman of Chemical Banking Corp. in August 1990.

It was also announced that Orval M. Adam has retired from the board. Adam is senior vice president and chief financial officer of Santa Fe Pacific Corp.

Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. is a large independent oil and gas exploration and production company with headquarters in Houston. Its stock is traded on the NYSE under the symbol SFR.

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Ed Hall, 713/268-5309

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ORINDA, CA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - In a legal decision that could have major implications for the Dbase market and for the software industry as a whole, a federal judge in Los Angeles Thursday ruled that Ashton-Tate's original copyright for dBASE III Plus was invalid.

Judge Terrence Hatter ruled that dBASE III Plus is a ''derivative work'' from JPL/DIS, a mainframe data language originally developed at the Jet Propulsion Laboratories in Pasadena, Calif.

The decision is also expected to affect dBASE IV, which is primarily derived from dBASE III Plus. This decision will strengthen the dBASE aftermarket for dBASE-language compatible databases and follow-on products by encouraging independent implementations of the dBASE language.

The ruling came in a ''look and feel'' suit by Ashton-Tate against Fox Software, in which Ashton-Tate claimed that Fox had infringed Ashton-Tate's dBASE III Plus copyright. The judge dismissed Ashton-Tate's current lawsuit against Fox Software ''with prejudice,'' precluding Ashton-Tate from refiling a new suit in the same court.

There are currently 10 vendors marketing dBASE language compilers and interpreters. Four of these vendors, Ashton-Tate, WordTech, Fox and Nantucket hold over 90 percent of the dBASE compatible market.

Because development time is a significant barrier for entry into the market -- it can take up to three years to implement a competitive dBASE language compiler -- the decision is expected to benefit vendors with existing products more than possible new entrants.

Although WordTech has a separate 1987 contract with Ashton-Tate in which Ashton-Tate agreed that WordTech products are free from copyright lawsuit, WordTech believes this decision is a futher measure of protection for its customers.

Coupled with Nantucket's recent moves to eschew the dBASE market and reposition its compiler, yesterday's decision may cause a significant reshuffling among the Dbase market leaders.

WordTech was a member of a committee to standardize the dBASE language, and is currently a member of a committee drafting a proposed data dictionary standard for dBASE compatible databases.

WordTech Systems Inc. is a leading supplier of fully Dbase compatible database management systems, and the only publisher of a complete Dbase applications

development environment including both interactive database managers and distribution compilers for the Dbase language. WordTech products also provide migration paths to the UNIX and SQL environments.

CONTACT: WordTech Systems Inc., Orinda
Earle Speranza, 415/254-0900

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Cathay Bancorp Inc. Thursday announced it has filed an application to list its common stock on the NASDAQ National Market System (NMS) under the symbol ''CATY.''

Cathay expects to begin trading on the NMS in December.

Cathay currently trades on the over-the-counter market, and quotes for its common stock can be found in the Pink Sheets. As of Nov. 27, the latest bid-ask quote for the stock was $16.5-$17.5. As of Sept. 30, Cathay had 6.1 million shares outstanding. Assuming a stock price of $17/share, the total market value of Cathay is $103.7 million.

Cathay was founded in Los Angeles in 1962 to provide banking services primarily to Asian businesses and consumers. Cathay's primary financial services include construction, real estate and consumer loans; and residential commercial and international trade financing. Cathay Bank recently received regulatory approval to form Cathay Bancorp Inc., a bank holding company.

This reorganization will provide greater operating flexibility and will permit expansion into a broader range of financial services. As of Sept. 30, total assets of the bank were $632 million, and earnings for the nine months were $7.4 million. Cathay presently has five branches in the Los Angeles area and one in San Jose.

Cathay President Dunson Cheng stated that Cathay's listing on the NMS will provide investors two benefits -- the continuous transaction data of the exchanges and the competition among market makers that is characteristic of NASDAQ.

''A NASDAQ NMS'' listing will help expand our investor base, attracting the smaller investor as well as the more sophisticated institutional investor,'' said Cheng.

Investors will have greater access to information, as brokers will be able to provide last-sale prices and up-to-the-second volume information on Cathay's stock. Cathay will also be included in the NMS newspaper stock table, which shows high, low and closing prices for the most active and prominent NASDAQ securities.

Cheng noted that, in addition to the increased market information that NMS provides, a significant advantage of being listed on NASDAQ is the existence of multiple market makers competing with each other to execute investor orders as opposed to a single specialist on the floor of a stock exchange.

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Larry A. Ellison, 213/625-4752 (day)

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DAYTON, OH (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors, at its Dec. 13, meeting, declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 14 cents per share to be paid March 18, 1991, to shareholders of record Feb. 22, 1991.

CONTACT: Standard Register, Dayton
Douglas R. Lunne, 513/443-1483

-30- 440
#90347b0163 12/13/1990 ~Business Wire
LOS ANGELES (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Cathay Bancorp Inc. announced Thursday that the trustees of the Cathay Bancorp Employee Stock Option Plan and Trust have authorized it to purchase shares of Cathay Bancorp Inc. common stock.

The shares are to be purchased at times and prices to be determined by the trustees.

CONTACT: Cathay Bancorp Inc., Los Angeles
Dunson K. Cheng, 213/625-4800

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Inc. (OTC: SUNW) Thursday announced the adoption of systematic repurchase programs which will enable Sun to repurchase in the open market a portion of the shares of common stock which it expects to issue under its 1990 long-term equity incentive plan and its 1990 employee stock purchase plan which were approved by Sun's stockholders Wednesday.

Sun intends to repurchase shares under these systematic repurchase programs on a regular basis during the terms of these two plans, and to re-issue the repurchased shares in connection with such plans.

Scott G. McNealy, chairman of the board of directors, president and chief executive officer, stated that, ''Sun has had a longstanding practice of

linking key employee compensation to corporate performance because we believe that this increases employee motivation to improve stockholder value.

''We have, therefore, consistently included equity incentives as a significant component of compensation for a broad range of Sun employees. Sun has adopted these systemtic repurchase programs in an effort to reduce the level of stockholder dilution caused by the issuance of shares under employee stock benefit plans.''

Sun Microsystems Inc., with headquarters in Mountain View, is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

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Kim Miller, 415/336-7583, or
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-30- 1759
#90347b0175 12/13/1990 ~Business Wire

SIDNEY, OH (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - At the direct request of the New York Stock Exchange relating to the unusual trading activity of The Monarch Machine Tool Co. stock on Dec. 13, the company has no knowledge as to what has prompted this heavy trading activity.

CONTACT: Monarch Machine Tool Co., Sidney
Earl Hull, 513/492-4111

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#90347b0177 12/13/1990 ~Business Wire

FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Northern Inc. (NYSE:BNI) announced Thursday that former United States Sen. Daniel J. Evans has been elected to the BNI board of directors effective Jan. 1.

Burlington Northern is the holding company for Burlington Northern Railroad and has its headquarters in Fort Worth.

Evans, 65, is chairman of Daniel J. Evans Associates, Seattle. Since 1989 he also has been a member of the senior advisory committee at the Institute of Politics, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University.

From 1983 to 1989 he was a senator from the state of Washington. He served as president of The Evergreen State College, Olympia, Wash., from 1977 to 1983 and was governor of Washington from 1965 to 1977.

Evans is a director of Washington Mutual Savings Bank, McCaw Cellular

Communications, Puget Sound Power and Light Co., Tera Computer Co. and The Celadon Group Inc.

He holds B.S. and M.S. degrees in civil engineering from the University of Washington.

CONTACT: Burlington Northern Inc., Fort Worth
Mike Wenninger, 817/878-2306

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CHICAGO (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Bally Manufacturing Corp. (NYSE:BLY) Thursday announced that it would not make a scheduled Dec. 15, 1990 interest payment of approximately $5.0 million on its 10 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2006.

Bally announced that it would avail itself of the 30-day grace period provided by the indenture governing these debentures to continue an in-depth review of Bally's financial condition and prospects, and to continue exploring various restructuring alternatives.

By availing itself of this grace period, the company noted that such an action by itself, would not create cross-defaults on the other long-term indebtedness of Bally and its subsidiaries.

In commenting on the announcement, Arthur M. Goldberg, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: ''We intend to continue our discussions with our lenders concerning restructuring alternatives. We are hopeful that these discussions can be successfully concluded, but of course we cannot predict their outcome.''

Bally Manufacturing Corp. is a world leader in the gaming and fitness industries with four casino hotels, a national network of fitness centers and a complete line of gaming equipment and systems, fitness equipment and lottery products and services.

CONTACT: Bally Manufacturing Corp., Chicago
William E. Chandler, 312/399-1300

-30- 1561
#90347b0192 12/13/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Worth Corp. (NASDAQ:WRTH) announced Thursday it has proposed to acquire all of the minority interests in its Keegan Management Co. (NASDAQ:KMCI) subsidiary by means of a merger.

Keegan Management Co. has accepted the proposal, but has retained the right to

accept a more favorable offer prior to the effective date of the merger. Subject to this right to accept a more favorable offer, the acquisition is scheduled for completion in the second quarter of 1991, following normal regulatory approvals and the satisfaction of certain conditions.

Minority stockholders of Keegan Management Co. would receive $1 in cash plus four-tenths of a share of Worth Corp. common stock for each share of Keegan Management Co. common stock held by them on the effective date of the merger.

The consideration to be received by the minority stockholders of Keegan Management Co. is expected to be a taxable event to the extent of the cash received, and may or may not be a taxable event with respect to the value of the Worth Corp. common stock received, depending upon the fair market value of Worth Corp. common stock on the effective date of the merger.

Worth Corp. intends to continue with its previously announced common stock buyback program and has authorized the expenditure of an additional $250,000 for this program. There is now approximately $400,000 available for the share repurchase program. The repurchase of additonal shares will be subject to compliance with all applicable Securities and Exchange Commission rules.

Worth Corp. is a holding company that owns 18.7 percent of Mr. Coffee inc. (NASDAQ:JAVA) and 66.4 percent of Keegan Management Co.

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Robert G. Sharpe, 408/436-7467

KEYWORD: CALIFORNIA

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800-225-2030; SF 415-986-4422 or 800-227-0845; LA 213-380-8383

-30- 2194
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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - David H. Murdock, chairman and chief executive officer of Castle & Cooke Inc., (NYSE/PSE:CKE) Thursday announced that the board of directors had unanimously adopted a policy for the payment of a regular quarterly dividend, expected to be at an annual rate of 40 cents per share.

Murdock said, ''We expect to achieve record earnings in 1990 and we believe the company and its shareholders will be best served and have the opportunity

to realize Dole Food Co.'s long-term value by not selling any portion of the Dole Food Co.''

The board declared the first quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share payable on Jan. 14, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 24, 1990.

''We expect that 1990 net income for the Dole Food Co. unit of Castle & Cooke will be approximately $122 million, before non-recurring unusual items previously disclosed. (This net income figure assumes that all Castle & Cooke's consolidated interest expense and overhead have been allocated to Dole.)

Management believes there are significant opportunities for continued growth with the opening of new markets in eastern Europe, anticipated benefits from Dole's capital expenditure programs ($157 million invested in 1990) and a fundamental improvement in operations. We also expect continued excellent markets for Dole's fresh fruits, vegetables, packaged fruits, juices, dried fruits and nuts as consumers continue to be health conscious.

In 1991, we believe that Dole will continue to generate increased results because of improvements in the business and cost reductions. Beginning in the second half of 1991, we believe corporate overhead expenses will be reduced by approximately $17 million due in part to a previously announced consolidation of our Boca Raton Fresh Fruit office with our corporate office in Los Angeles.''

Castle & Cooke's real estate operations are expected to achieve net income of $18 million for 1990. The non-recurring unusual items previously disclosed totaled $17 million on an after-tax basis. They consisted primarily of charges related to the restructuring of the company's worldwide pineapple sourcing and the formation of the Dole Produce Co., net of gains from the sale of the investment in FirstFed America Inc.

Therefore, we project net income for consolidated Castle & Cooke will be $123 million, or $2.07 per share. Castle & Cooke's net income per share before the non-recurring unusual items is projected to be $2.36.

Castle & Cooke had been exploring the possible sale of its Dole Food Co. It had announced on July 12, 1990, that it had been contacted by several parties interested in a possible acquisition of Dole and had retained Goldman, Sachs & Co. to assist in evaluating a possible sale.

Murdock continued, ''At the time we retained Goldman, Sachs, market conditions suggested that a sale of the Dole Food Co. could be an attractive alternative that might allow shareholders to receive a significant premium above the public market valuation. However, over the past several months, the market for acquisitions and acquisition financing has deteriorated.

During the same time, Dole Food Co.'s earnings and prospects have increased dramatically with record net income of $105.8 million (before unusual items previously disclosed) having been achieved for the three quarters ended Oct. 6 1990, a 54 percent increase over the prior year. (This net income figure assumes that all Castle & Cooke's consolidated interest expense and overhead have been allocated to Dole.)

''Although several major international food companies expressed interest in acquiring Dole, in the current economic climate, the board of directors did not believe the interested buyers were prepared to pay a price that fully reflected the company's potential. The board expressed confidence in Dole's excellent management team and in the business strategies being pursued to continue Dole's strong performance.''

Castle & Cooke is a holding company conducting business in two primary operating areas: food production and distribution through Dole Food Co. and real estate development.

CONTACT: Castle & Cooke Inc., Los Angeles
Carol J. Klein, 213/824-1500

-30- 4458
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DALLAS (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Holly Corp. (ASE: HOC) Thursday reported results for the company's first quarter ended Oct. 31.

Holly's net income for the company's first fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31 was $2.8 million, as compared with $5.2 million for the first quarter of the prior year. Net income per share for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was 34 cents, compared with 63 cents in the prior year period.

Net income in the current quarter as compared with the corresponding quarter of the prior year was adversely affected by lower margins as a result of increased crude oil prices that were only partially offset by increases in product prices.

Also affecting the results in the current period were increased costs resulting from a planned shutdown for major maintenance (turnaround).

The volatility in crude oil costs as a result of the Middle East crisis and the inability to recover those costs in the market have somewhat abated since the end of the first quarter of the current fiscal year and accordingly refining margins have been improving.

The increase in revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 as compared with the first quarter of fiscal 1990 is attributable to higher prices of refined products sold, in large part due to sharp increases in crude oil costs.

Volumes sold during the current period decreased approximately 10 percent, principally due to the planned shutdown at Navajo Refining Co.'s refinery in Artesia, N.M.

Holly Corp., through its affiliates, Navajo Refining Co. and Montana Refining Co., is engaged in the refining of petroleum products.

CONTACT: Holly Corp., Dallas
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or
Dalton, Sneath & Co.
Lee Sneath, 214/979-0090

-30- 1907

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FREMONT, CA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Koala Springs International's Sparkling Water with Fruit Juice products are going back on store shelves Thursday.

Consumers on the West Coast will be among the first to find the unique blend of flavors that are the company's trademark, such as Orange & Mango and Raspberry, Guava & Apple, return to the shelves.

The re-entry of Koala Springs products follows a voluntary recall conducted by the company on Nov. 13, so that it could assess the level and source of minute traces of benzene found in the product during routine testing by the Florida Department of Health. The levels found were much lower than those reported in many common food products such as fruits, nuts, eggs and coffee.

Dr. Richard Hunter, Florida Assistant State Health Officer for Environmental Health, has confirmed that there is no significant health risk at these levels. The company has also confirmed that benzene is commonly occurring in many foods and beverages as well as the general environment at levels higher than those found in the Florida tests.

The tests carried out by the Florida Health Department resulted from the classification of the product as a bottled water, whereas a number of other ingredients, including fruit juices, sweetener and natural flavors are present.

California Health Authorities agreed to the labeling requirements of sparkling water with juice products in 1988 in order to avoid confusion with bottled water regulations. The company withdrew the product while it carried out tests to confirm its safety and to ensure that there was no external source of contamination.

Originating in Australia, Koala Springs was introduced in the United States in 1986, and now offers eight varieties of sparkling water with fruit juice.

Known for their unique blend of real fruit flavors, Koala Springs rapidly emerged as a major national brand in the ''new age'' beverage category.

Koala Springs has created a new marketing niche with consumers who enjoy active, outdoor, ''fun-loving'' lifestyles.

CONTACT: Koala Springs International, Fremont
Greg Tunks, 415/795-1700

-30- 2325
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DALLAS (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - American Medical Holdings Inc. (ASE: AMI) and its wholly-owned subsidiary, American Medical International Inc. announced Thursday that the term of its Funding Notes has been extended from Dec. 12, 1990, to Feb. 26, 1991.

The Funding Notes were originally issued as part of the financing for the acquisition of American Medical International Inc. by American Medical Holdings Inc. That acquisition occurred on Oct. 26, 1989. The aggregate principal amount of these notes is currently $584,524,000.

AMI, the founder of the investor-owned hospital industry, operates acute care hospitals in the United States.

CONTACT: American Medical Holdings Inc., Dallas
Don Galletly, 214/360-6321

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - On Feb. 3, Southwest Airlines will add four new roundtrips between San Francisco and San Diego, almost doubling its current schedule.

''As part of our expansion program in the West, we feel that the new trips are an enhancement to the service we have been building over the last two years,'' said Don Valentine, vice president, sales and marketing, for Southwest.

''With so much concentration on service from Los Angeles to the San Francisco Bay Area, we are stressing that the San Francisco to San Diego route is just as important -- and we know our customers feel the same way.''

Southwest's new schedule from San Francisco to San Diego with the added service is: flight No. 968, departing San Francisco at 6:45 a.m. and arriving in San Diego at 8:00 a.m.; flight No. 80, departing at 7:30 a.m., arriving 8:45 a.m.; flight No. 966, departing at 9:50 a.m., arriving 11:10 a.m.; flight No. 303, departing at 11:25 a.m., arriving 12:40 p.m.; flight No. 466,

departing at 12:05 p.m., arriving 1:25 p.m.; flight No. 92, departing at 2:40 p.m., arriving 4:05 p.m.; flight No. 997, departing at 3:35 p.m., arriving 4:55 p.m.; flight No. 94, departing at 6:45 p.m., arriving 8:10 p.m.; flight No. 480, departing at 7:45 p.m., arriving 9:10 p.m.; and flight No. 729, departing San Francisco at 9:25 p.m. and arriving in San Diego at 10:45 p.m.

With the addition of four new flights, Southwest is almost doubling its service from San Francisco to San Diego by offering a total of 10 flights in that direction.

The frequency of service offers business travelers the opportunity to depart San Francisco as early as 6:45 a.m. and arrive in San Diego at 8:00 a.m. -- in time for an early-morning meeting, with other flights scheduled conveniently throughout the day. The latest flight is No. 729 at 9:25 p.m., arriving in San Diego at 10:45 p.m.

From San Diego to San Francisco, there will also be four new flights. The new schedule offers 10 daily return flights from San Diego to San Francisco, starting with a 6:30 a.m. departure on flight No. 982, and continuing frequently through the day until flight No. 98 departs from San Diego at 8:45 p.m. and arrives in San Francisco at 10:00 p.m.

Southwest's Fun Fares are on sale for travel through Feb. 23 and start as low as $20 for a 21-day advance-purchase off-peak ticket from San Francisco to San Diego.

For travel after Feb. 23, customers who are able to plan and purchase tickets in advance can still travel for as little as $29 one way, which is Southwest's regular price on a 21-day advance purchase off peak Fun Fare from San Francisco to San Diego.

Southwest customers will pay no more than $64 one way from San Francisco to San Diego, which is the carrier's everyday low fare. Southwest's highest fare -- even if purchased at the last minute at the ticket counter -- is only $64 for travel one way from San Francisco to San Diego.

''When Southwest Airlines became the No. 1 carrier out of San Diego, we began to look at areas needing additional service,'' said Valentine. ''We know that the four new roundtrips we are adding between San Francisco and San Diego will reaffirm our commitment to being the high-frequency carrier on the West Coast -- as well as the airline with the lowest fares every day.''

Southwest Airlines also provides eight daily roundtrips between Oakland and San Diego with identical fares.

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TULSA, OK (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Penn Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ:PPAC) announced that the Calcote No. 1-18 well located in Wheeler County, Texas, was flowing 30 bbls oil per day and in excess of 300 MCF of gas per day.

The company plans to install a gas compressor in order to increase production into the 900 p.s.i. transmission line. Penn owns 50 percent working interest of the well.

The company also announced that at a meeting of its board of directors held Tuesday, Dec. 11, the board formed a special committee to investigate transactions in the company's Series ''C'' preferred stock. The special committee includes Roy Tyra of Whittier, Calif., and Don Goins of Tulsa.

The committee's investigation will focus on various transactions over the past two years in which certain current and former members of the company's board of directors and their affiliates participated involving the Series ''C'' preferred stock and related matters.

The Series ''C'' preferred stock was originally issued in October 1988 in connection with the acquisition of National Southwest Capital Group Inc., a real estate concern in Texas. National Southwest was subsequently sold by the company in February 1990 to the Southland Group Inc., a Texas corporation, owned by Paul Tanner, a former director and president.

The company further announced no conversions or issuance of additional Series ''C'' preferred stock would take place pending completion of the investigation.

The company further announced its intention to file an extension to file its annual report due Dec. 15, 1990.

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SECAUCUS, NJ (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - ILIO, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbols: ILIO, ILIOW) Thrusday announced second quarter and six months net sales and net income for the period ended October 31, 1990.

Net sales for the second quarter ended October 31, 1990 increased 51% to $11,928,414 from $7,904,595 reported for the second quarter last year. Net income for the quarter increased to $208,511, or $0.08 per share, as compared to $200,366, or $0.13 per share, for the quarter ended October 31, 1989. Per

share results for the quarter ended October 31, 1990 were affected by an increase in the weighted average number of shares outstanding due to the Company's initial public offering, which was completed in November 1989.

For the six months ended October 31, 1990 net sales increased 53% to $22,754,887 from $14,842,238 reported for the first six months of last year. Net income for the six months period was $543,367, or $0.20 per share, compared to $287,572, or $0.19 per share, for the same period last year. Per share results for the six months ended October 31, 1990 were affected by an increase in the weighted average number of shares outstanding due to the Company's initial public offering, which was completed in November 1989.

ILIO, INC. designs, markets, sells and distributes women's cotton sportswear and apparel primarily under the ''Ilio'' trademark and through private label arrangements. The Company markets its lines of sportswear, which primarily retail for under $30, to moderately priced department stores, specialty stores specialty chains and mass merchants.

ILIO INC.
Statement of Operations
(Unaudited)

	Second Quarter Ended		Six Months Ended	
	10/31/90	10/31/89	10/31/90	10/31/89
Net Sales	$11,928,414	$7,904,595	$22,754,887	$14,842,238
Cost of Sales	9,220,117	5,986,064	17,151,789	11,246,088
Gross Profit	2,708,297	1,918,531	5,603,098	3,596,150
SG&A Expenses	2,141,409	1,387,090	4,266,212	2,679,394
Operating Income	566,888	531,441	1,336,886	916,756
Interest Expense	212,277	208,675	426,919	451,584
Income Before Provision for Income Taxes	354,611	322,766	909,967	465,172
Provision for Income Taxes	146,100	122,400	366,600	177,600
Net Income	$208,511	$200,366	$543,367	$287,572
Net Income Per Common and Common Equivalent Share(1)(2)	$0.08	$0.13	$0.20	$0.19
Weighted Average Number of Common and Common Equivalent Shares Outstanding(1)(2)	2,580,494	1,506,665	2,668,792	1,493,332

ILIO, Inc.
Selected Balance Sheet Data
(Unaudited)

	10/31/90	4/30/90
Current Assets	$16,073,891	$15,815,123
Net Property and Equipment	304,232	183,476
Other Assets	26,266	21,939
	$16,404,389	$16,020,538

Current Liabilities	$10,292,310	$10,466,826
Stockholders' Equity	6,112,079	5,553,712
	$16,404,389	$16,020,538

(1) Net income per common and common equivalent share has been computed based on the weighted average number of shares and dilutive common stock equivalents outstanding during each respective period, after giving retroactive effect to the 4 for 3 stock split, completed in May 1990.

(2) Per share results for the second quarter and six months ended October 31, 1990 were affected by an increase in the weighted average number of shares outstanding due to the Company's initial public offering, completed in November 1989.

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COLUMBUS, IN (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Cummins Engine Co., Inc., said Thursday that it expects to take an unusual charge against fourth-quarter financial results.

The company said the charge, the amount of which has not yet been determined, will be related to the disposition of certain operations, further consolidation of its manufacturing facilities and continued reduction in salaried and hourly personnel. These actions are intended to reduce the company's operating expense structure, given current market conditions.

Cummins also reported that it expects to incur a loss in the fourth quarter, exclusive of the unusual charge, that will exceed substantially the net loss of $33.7 million reported for the third quarter of 1990. Cummins said that continued depressed demand for certain of its products and worsening business conditions, particularly in Brazil, are affecting adversely the company's financial results.

The company further said it now expects to report a loss in the first quarter of 1991.

Cummins, headquartered in Columbus, Ind., is a major producer of diesel engines, components and power systems for trucks and industrial equipment.

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DUBLIN, IRELAND (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Seagate Technology (NASDAQ/NMS:SGAT), the world's leading supplier of rigid magnetic disc drives, and The Industrial Development Authority of Ireland (IDA) Thursday entered into an agreement to establish a $50 million disc drive factory in the Dublin area.

The Minister for Industry and Commerce, Desmond O'Malley TD, and Taoiseach, prime minister, Charles Haughey, today joined Seagate Technology's chairman and chief executive officer, Alan Shugart, in Dublin to finalize the details of this agreement.

This bold expansion in European manufacturing capability enhances Seagate's market leadership. It is also expected to create more than 650 jobs in the first two years of plant operation with the potential for another 650 over the next five years.

Seagate plans to invest approximately $20 million on land and facilities and an additional $30 million on capital equipment and tooling over the five-year period. In turn, the Irish government through the IDA will make a significant contribution towards capital costs and will provide a training grant based on the generation of 1,295 new jobs over five years.

Seagate Technology, headquartered in Scotts Valley, Calif., already has component manufacturing plants in Portugal and Scotland. The company also has a repair facility in Scotland, a distribution facility in Amsterdam and sales offices across Europe.

The new Dublin factory will be Seagate's first plant in Europe to manufacture the complete hard disc drive product. Products to be manufactured include high-end disc drives like the Wren 5 and Wren 6, the Sabre 6, the Elite and the ST1480 family of high-capacity 3.5-inch products. The ST1096 family of drives from Seagate's mid-range product line will also be manufactured.

These Irish-manufactured drives will complement Seagate's complete line of products used in applications ranging from laptop computers to integrated workstations and supercomputers.

Seagate Technology is the world's leading supplier of disc storage products to original equipment manufacturers and remarketers.

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SAN BERNARDINO, CA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Kasler Corp. (NASDAQ:KASL), a leader in the highway/heavy construction industry, Thursday reported improved results for the fourth quarter and year ended Oct. 31.

Fourth-quarter net income was $995,000, or 19 cents per share, on revenues of $41,457,000 versus net income of $526,000, or 10 cents per share, on revenues of $29,874,000 for the like period last year.

Net income for 1990 was $3,096,000, or 59 cents per share, on revenues of $152,888,000 compared with net income of $1,539,000, or 30 cents per share, on revenues of $115,417,000 in 1989.

Commenting on the company's improved year, Bob Ferguson, president and chief executive officer, said: ''A year ago we stated that we were committed to improving our profit margins and earnings in fiscal 1990. This commitment was fulfilled, and we have entered 1991 with even stronger momentum than a year ago.''

Record volume and improved construction operations were cited as the primary factors in the company's improved results for 1990. Ferguson also noted that the fourth quarter represented the 17th consecutive profitable quarter and the sixth successive quarter of increased earnings.

Backlog stood at $213 million at Oct. 31, 1990, compared with $285 million reported last year. However, shortly after fiscal year end, the company added three new contracts, totaling $95.8 million, to its backlog.

Kasler Corp. is a general contractor engaged in the construction of concrete roadways, bridges and other public works projects, including airfields and water control distribution facilities.

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EL PASO, TX (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Texscan Corp. (NASDAQ:TXCND) announced Thursday that it will relist its common stock for trading on the American Stock Exchange.

Trading of Texscan stock on the American Stock Exchange is scheduled to commence on Dec. 17, 1990 and the new trading symbol will be ''TSX.''

The company said relisting on the American Stock Exchange will provide a more efficient and liquid trading market for the company's stock, and that the company will benefit from the increased visibility and broader investment community exposure associated with American Stock Exchange-listed companies.

The company's common stock currently trades on the National Bid/Ask market.

William H. Lambert, chairman, president and chief executive officer said, ''Relisting on the American Stock Exchange is the final step of a successful three-year plan that I set in motion following the company's reorganization. This relisting is a sign of the progress we have made at Texscan Corporation.''

Texscan had previously traded on the American Stock Exchange until mid-1987.

Headquartered in El Paso, Texscan Corp. is best known as a designer and manufacturer of a broad line of distribution and commercial insertion products for the cable television industry, and as an integrator of large scale fiber optic systems in Europe.

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ENGLEWOOD, CO (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Information Solutions Inc. (NASDAQ:ISOL) Thursday announced it has signed a Value Added Reseller (VAR) agreement with Motorola and made its first sale -- a multiple system transaction -- under the pact.

David R. DeYoung, president of ISI, said the VAR agreement calls for ISI to package its software products with Motorola's Delta 8000 Series hardware for sales to the transportation, hospitality and general office markets.

In addition, ISI may make hardware-only sales to customers with software already in place. The first such sale occurred recently when a long-time ISI customer contracted for multiple Motorola systems. Value of that contract is estimated at $250,000.

ISI and Motorola, the $10 billion worldwide electronics firm, hope that by combining their respective products into complete systems they can expand on existing markets and open new markets of common interest. ISI, with its Transportation Management Control (TMC) line of software, is currently one of the nation's leading providers of software to the transportation market.

Motorola, in turn, has an exceptionally strong presence of its own in the transportation industry due to its large installed base of ''Coverage Plus'' radio communications systems. Motorola, with 100,000 employees and an overall installed base of more than 20,000 business customers, is the leading provider of electronic equipment, systems and components.

''Motorola's installed base in transportation, combined with ISI's reputation as a leading provider of software in the industry, gives us an excellent opportunity to increase our market share in the coming year,'' said DeYoung.

''Motorola has long been at the forefront of communications systems and popular microprocessor technology. They have a worldwide service and support organization that will be of tremendous value to ISI as we market our software systems.''

ISI provides ''open system'' UNIX-based software solutions to customers in transportation, hospitality and commercial markets. As a single-source systems integrator, ISI provides applications software, hardware, service and support.

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CENTURY CITY, CA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - International Lease Finance Corporation (ILFC), a wholly-owned subsidiary of American International Group, Inc. (NYSE: AIG), Thursday announced lease placement of 28 jet aircraft to ten airlines.

The aircraft have a combined value of $806 million. The transactions reflect the continuing strong demand for ILFC's operating leases.

International Lease Finance Corporation, based in Century City, California, is the international market leader in the leasing and remarketing of advanced-technology commercial jet aircraft to airlines around the world. The company has an owned fleet of 107 airplanes, valued at $4 billion.

ILFC recently became a wholly-owned subsidiary of American International Group Inc. AIG is the leading U.S.-based international insurance organization and the largest underwriter of commercial and industrial insurance in the United States. Its member companies write property, casualty, marine, life and financial services insurance in more than 130 countries and jurisdictions, and are also engaged in a range of financial services businesses.

News Release Summary
(dollars in millions)

ILFC Customer	Number of Aircraft	Aircraft Type	Aircraft Value	Contract Value
Canadian Airlines	4	A-320	$150	$120
	(incl. spare engine)			
	3	737-200A	29	1
VIVA Airlines/Iberia	4	737-300	104	50
THY - Turkish	6	737-400	210	270
Mexicana de Aviacion	2	A-320	75	60
	(incl. spare engine)			
Cayman Airways	1	737-400	35	47
Universair - Spain	1	MD-83	27	13
America West Airlines	2	737-300	51	72
Air Pacific Fiji	1	767-300ER	75	90
Ladeco - Chile	1	737-200A	15	14
	2	BAC-111-300		
Undisclosed	1	737-400	35	30
			$806	$767

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HOUSTON (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Proler International Corp. (NYSE:PS) Thursday reported results for the third quarter and nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

For the third quarter, consolidated net sales were $29,957,077 compared with net sales of $22,846,618 for the third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989.

Consolidated net earnings were $45,080, or 1 cent per share, compared with $1,022,093, or 22 cents per share, for the third quarter last year. Proler's third quarter share of pre-tax earnings from joint operations was $1,410,792

compared with $2,438,432 in the year-earlier quarter.

For the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, net sales were $86,207,306 compared with $78,655,645 in the same period a year ago. Net income was $580,497, or 12 cents per share, compared with $8,521,337, or $1.81 per share, last year.

Proler's share of pre-tax earnings from joint operations for the nine months was $5,579,175 compared with $11,090,204 for the similar period last year.

Proler International Corp. is an environmental company primarily involved with recovering, recycling and processing ferrous and non-ferrous metals for shipment to domestic and foreign users.

Through twenty-two processing plants operated either directly or through joint ventures, Proler is a leading provider of high quality raw materials to industrial users.

The company's non-ferrous operations produce reusable premium quality non-ferrous scrap, including copper, brass, aluminum, stainless steel and nickel alloy. Premium grade steel scrap from its state of the art detinning operations is sold to the steel and foundry industries and tin is sold for use in many different industrial applications.

Proler also distributes new prime and used line pipe and off-spec pipe for a wide range of industrial and commercial uses. The common stock of Proler is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol PS.

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WESTBORO, MA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Data General Corp. Thursday announced it has sold certain object oriented software technology to HyperDesk Corp., a new corporation, which intends to bring next generation distributed computing products to market.

HyperDesk technology is based on the concept of distributed object management and is the result of over three years of software development at Data General Corp.

Under terms of the agreement, Data General's industry standard AViiON family of systems will be one of the first development platforms for the HyperDesk software.

''We recognize that for software to become an industry standard, it must be platform independent. With HyperDesk's acquisition of this software, we

believe this leading edge technology will have a better chance of becoming either a formal or a de facto standard in the industry than if Data General continued to develop it,'' said Stephen Paul Baxter, vice president marketing, at Data General.

''We are pleased to assist in the formation of this new company and look forward to using their first products on our AViiON systems in 1991,'' he concluded.

Distributed object management software is a new approach to software development and use. ''Objects'' are defined once and inherited throughout the distributed system; dynamic modification of the objects then facilitates the design of new programs and applications from existing ones.

Data General Corp. is a leading manufacturer of computer systems for business, industry, education and government. The company reported revenues for fiscal year 1990 of $1.22 billion.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Arctic Alaska Fisheries Corp. announced Thursday that fourth quarter and year end net income will be less than expected.

The loss in the fourth quarter will be greater than 1989's quarter with resulting 1990 earnings in the $11-12 million range.

This year's lower than expected net income has resulted from several factors. Arctic Alaska's eight crab catcher processors had a successful November king crab season and are currently fishing snow crab which will continue through mid-1991. Lower than expected crab sales will account for nearly half of the anticipated fourth quarter loss, but will benefit succeeding quarters as it is sold.

Virtually all of the bottomfish quotas in the 200-mile zone around Alaska were fully harvested by mid-November. This is the first time this situation has occurred and the adverse financial impact has been greater than was anticipated. The company had expected to mitigate this impact somewhat by sending three of its vessels to the international waters known as the ''doughnut hole'' in the middle of the Bering Sea after the quota closure. After making an effort there and finding very few fish, those vessels are now tied up until Jan. 1.

The other major factor affecting earnings has been the repair expenses

experienced during the heavier than usual haul-out schedule in 1990. Repair costs have escalated and the company's policy of reserving in advance for major haul-outs has resulted in further strengthening of reserves to cover the present and future maintenance program.

Arctic Alaska's bottomfish fleet will begin fishing on Jan. 1. The harvest quotas have been established at very similar levels to 1990. Production will be augmented by the full services of the vessels added to the fleet during 1990.

Arctic Alaska Fisheries Corp. is the largest fishing and at-sea processing company in the United States. The company's vessels operate in the 200-mile zone off Alaska catching crab and bottomfish such as pollock, cod, perch and sole. The catch is processed into a variety of seafood products that are sold in the United States, Japan, and other export markets primarily under the Arctic Ice trademark.

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CAMBRIDGE, ENGLAND (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - IXI Limited of Cambridge, England, Thursday announced that the company has become a member of UNIX International (UI), an international non-profit organization responsible for directing the evolution of UNIX System V.

System V is the industry standard ''Open System'' operating system.

NCR, Unisys and Dell are some of IXI's X. desktop OEM customers who have standardized on UNIX System V.4 as their base operating system. ''UI has made great headway for end-users interested in open systems by guaranteeing the future compatibility of UNIX System V, as well as expanding the user base to over 16 million users.

UNIX International members who have licensed X. desktop include Dell, Locus Computing, Kubuto, Matsushita (Panasonic), NCR, NEC, Omron, The Santa Cruz Operation, Sanyo and Unisys.

IXI will shortly be announcing that further UNIX International members have licensed X. desktop.

IXI Limited, founded in 1987, is a leading developer and supplier of X-related software products and technology. IXI's corporate objective is to bring the power of UNIX to a wide range of users. X. desktop has been licensed by major UNIX vendors including IBM, Unisys, NCR, The Santa Cruz Operation, Uniplex, NEC, Tektronix, Panasonic, Locus, Acorn and Omron who bundle X. desktop as an

integral part of their OSF/Motif user interface.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Data Storage Development, a disk- drive manufacturer, observed an article in the Dec. 10, 1990, issue of Electronic Buyers News that stated Seagate Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:SGAT) will pay an $850,000 fine for an environmental violation involving hazardous waste.

The manufacturing process of plating media caused one of the largest environmental penalties in the history of California's Santa Clara County.

As reported by Electronic Buyers News: ''Seagate gave more than 500,000 gallons of used copper sulfate solution from its disk-drive plant in Fremont, Calif., to Stapleton Technologies in Long Beach, Calif., for disposal during a period from mid-1987 to late 1988.

''Seagate officials maintain that Stapleton told them the copper sulfate would not be classified as hazardous waste since it was to be re-used at the Shell Oil Co. refinery in Huntington Beach, Calif.''

Data Storage Development believes that cost associated with U.S. manufacturing of disk drives in the near future could be affected by this ruling. Data Storage is currently developing methods of plating that avoid the usage of such hazardous waste.

Although the costs associated with this new method are higher, Data Storage Development believes that issues surrounding the environment are of the utmost importance.

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AGOURA HILLS, CA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Fortune Petroleum Corp. (NASDAQ:FPEX/FPEXW) and Fairbanks & Haas Inc. (FHI) of Ventura on Thursday announced that they have signed the definitive purchase and sale agreement by which Fortune acquires most of the producing and non-producing oil and gas properties and other assets of FHI, the limited partnerships of which FHI is the managing general partner and the joint ventures of which it is the managing joint venturer.

Fortune has also made an offer to purchase the interests associated with these properties from the direct working and royalty interest owners.

Fortune has agreed to exchange certain of its treasury common shares, which would total 42.5 percent of the outstanding shares, for the assets to be acquired. This exchange is based on the comparative value of the FHI assets relative to the value ot the Fortune assets.

The value of the oil and gas assets was determined by an independent petroleum engineer registered with the State of California mutually agreed on by Fortune and FHI.

Fortune is in the process of completing its due diligence as allowed under the agreement. Consent statements have been sent to all of FHI investors and partners for final approval and, if such approval is received from the requisite majority of each partnership and joint venturer, it is anticipated that closing will occur on Dec. 21, 1990.

FHI, its investors and partners have significant interest in approximately 24 wells located in Ventura and Kern counties in California and in Oklahoma with net production equaling approximately 130 barrels per day of oil and 65 mcf per day of gas.

Dan Pasquini, president of Fortune, said: ''The completion of this acquisition should put the company in a position where it will be able to withstand large drops in the oil prices and profit by higher prices.''

Fortune Petroleum Corp. is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with its principal properties located in California.

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EVANSVILLE, IN (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Old National Bancorp (NASDAQ:OLDB) has completed its merger with Warrick Financial Corp., the single-bank holding company for Warrick National Bank of Boonville, Ind.

Warrick National Bank has been converted to Old National Bank of Evansville, and all locations and customer accounts will reflect the new name.

Conversion of Warrick National to branches of Old National Bank brings to total assets of Old National Bancorp's lead bank and largest subsidiary to approximately $1 billion.

Old National Bank is the largest bank in the Tri-State, with 17 branches in

Warrick and Vanderburgh Counties and a loan production office in Daviess County, Ky. Old National Bank's five Warrick County offices and their locations are:

Castle Office

Highways 66 & 261 Newburgh, Ind.

State Street Office

State Street & Sharon Road Newburgh, Ind.

Colonial Office

Newburgh Road & Epworth Road

Newburgh, Ind.

Meyer Center

966 North Highway 61

Boonville, Ind.

Boonville Square

224 West Main Street

Boonville, Ind.

Old National Bank is the original, wholly owned subsidiary of Old National Bancorp, which now has 15 banks with 68 offices throughout Southwestern Indiana, Southern Illinois and Western Kentucky. The company's assets are now $2.6 billion.

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WEST BEND, WI (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Gehl Co. (NASDAQ:GEHL), a leading manufacturer of agricultural and light industrial and construction equipment, has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 4 cents per common share, payable on Dec. 31, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 15.

Gehl Co. designs, manufactures, distributes, sells and finances a broad line

of niche capital goods equipment used worldwide in the agricultural and light industrial and construction industries. Gehl Co., founded in 1859, is headquartered in West Bend, with manufacturing facilities in West Bend; Yankton and Madison, S.D.; and Myerstown, Pa.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - GTE Mobile Communications and AT&T Network Systems Thursday announced an agreement in principle for the purchase of over $600 million in AT&T cellular communications equipment.

GTE Mobilnet (GTEM) will utilize AT&T AUTOPLEX (R) System 1000, which includes AT&T Series II digital ready cell sites, plus associated software and services. This state-of-the-art equipment will be gradually phased in to GTEM markets in more than 36 cities in California, Florida, Hawaii, Oregon, Indiana Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Texas.

The initial installation will take place in Tampa, Fla., and is scheduled for completion in June 1991.

GTE Mobilnet, part of the GTE Mobile Communications Group, provides cellular telecommunications services and products in 46 metropolitan service areas and 10 rural service areas in 14 states.

AT&T's Cellular Systems business unit is dedicated to providing products, services and support for cellular and wireless businesses. GTEM will receive full systems support and services provided by AT&T technicians and AT&T Bell Laboratories designers and engineers.

AT&T's AUTOPLEX equipment is manufactured in the United States at the company's manufacturing facility in Columbus, Ohio.

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BALTIMORE (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Allied Research Corp. (NASDAQ:ARAI) announced Thursday its Belgian unit, Mecar S.A., had received a $3 million

contract from an unnamed country, calling for production of Mecar's bullet trap rifle grenades.

The contract calls for delivery of all grenades during 1991.

Reinald W. Carter, president of Allied Research, said that the volume production contract was strong evidence of the leadership position Allied Research has in the design and production of bullet trap rifle grenades. Some 35 countries have acquired Mecar grenades, and the U.S. Army recently contracted with Allied Research to deliver rifle grenades to the Army for test and evaluation.

Allied Research's bullet trap rifle grenades are launched by a standard live round. The bullet is actually trapped in the grenade, and its kinetic energy and propelling gases are used to propel the rifle grenade. After launching a Mecar-developed bullet trap rifle grenade, a rifleman can return to standard round firing without any hesitation.

Allied Research is a leading developer and producer of ammuniton systems, supplier of engineering services to defense departments worldwide and designer of advanced products and systems for industry.

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MEDINA, OH (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - RPM Inc. has secured access to worldwide markets for the manufacture and marketing of specialty concrete construction chemicals through the formation of a 50 percent owned joint venture with Holderchem, the special materials division of the Swiss "Holderbank" Group, by the sale of 50 percent of RPM's Euclid Chemical Co. subsidiary to Holderchem.

Euclid Chemical Co. is among the leading companies in North America in the field of concrete specialty chemicals. The joint venture will further strengthen Euclid's market presence in the North American market and additionally will focus on aggressive expansion in all international markets outside of Continental Europe.

Euclid Chemical Co. will continue to operate under the leadership and direction of President Jeffrey L. Korach and his experienced management team from their Cleveland headquarters.

The parent of RPM's joint-venture partner, the Swiss "Holderbank" Group, is the world's largest manufacturer of cement, with nearly $4 billion in annual cement and cement-related business.

Through its Holnam subsidiary, which owns the former cement companies Dundee and Ideal Basic Industries, "Holderbank" is also the largest cement manufacturer in the United States.

The joint venture will further strengthen RPM's international penetration, which currently includes a strong North American export effort along with more than $60,000,000 of unconsolidated sales from existing international joint ventures and licensee agreements.

RPM Inc. is a manufacturer of specialty protective coatings, sealants and adhesives serving the industrial waterproofing and corrosion-control markets, as well as the do-it-yourself consumer and hobby and craft markets. RPM markets products to 75 countries and operates 44 plants in the United States, Canada, and Europe.

The fiscal year ended May 31, was RPM's 43rd consecutive record year of sales, earnings and earnings per share, with sales of $444,823,888, earnings of $27,710,369 and earnings per share of $1.23. RPM shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol RPOW.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Perini Corp. announces that preliminary construction activity has begun for the International Cultural and Trade Center/Federal Office Building (ICTC/FOB) in Washington, D.C.

Perini's Eastern Building Division is acting as construction manager for the project.

Located on an 11 acre site on Pennsylvania Avenue, the 3,100,000-gross-square-foot multi-use project will accommodate federal offices and the ICTC, and an underground parking facility. When completed, the complex will be the second largest federal building in size after the Pentagon. The total cost of the project including construction, development and other related costs exclusive of the cost of financing is $656,000,000.

The selection of the Federal Triangle Corp. from among seven prominent development teams was announced by the Pennsylvania Avenue Development Corp. in October 1989 after consultation with the ICTC Commission and the General Services Administration.

Members of the Federal Triangle Corp. are; developers Zeckendorf Co., New York N.Y.; Silverstein Properties Inc., New York, N.Y.; the Hapsmith Co., Beverly Hills, Calif.; Mendelsohn Associates, Washington, D.C., and project architects

Pei Cobb Freed & Partners (formerly I.M. Pei & Partners), New York, N.Y.; and Ellerbe Beckett Inc., Washington, D.C., as well as Perini Corp.

Perini will be responsible for all construction activities for the entire complex beginning immediately with completion scheduled for 1995.

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MURRAY HILL, NJ (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - C.R. Bard, Inc. (NYSE-BCR) announced Thursday Robert H. McCaffrey will retire as Chairman of the Board effective with the February 13, 1991 Board of Directors meeting.

McCaffrey, age 63, joined Bard as President and Chief Executive Officer in 1976. He became Chairman and Chief Executive Officer in 1978.

McCaffrey will continue as a member of the Board and Chairman of its Executive Committee. The Company said it is anticipated George T. Maloney, President and Chief Executive Officer, will be elected to the additional position of Chairman at the February Board meeting. This move conforms to the senior management succession plan put in motion more than two years ago. Maloney, age 58, has been employed by Bard since 1959 and a member of the Board of Directors since 1977. He was elected President and Chief Operating Officer in 1978 and President and Chief Executive Officer in 1989.

C. R. Bard, Inc., headquartered in Murray Hill, is aleading multinational developer, manufacturer and marketer of health care products.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Thursday announced that it will make a provision in its fourth quarter 1990 earnings for environmental costs associated with the Company's current operations and with previously closed facilities and for the estimated cost of increased State of Arizona royalties.

The provision will reduce 1990 after-tax earnings by an estimated $51.5 million, or $1.24 per share. Net earnings for the nine months ended September 30, 1990 were $145.4 million, or $3.50 per share.

Richard de J. Osborne, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of

Asarco, commenting on the provision stated, ''Recent developments at a number of the Company's properties have increased the level of predictability of costs associated with meeting Asarco's environmental responsibilities. We have undertaken a careful review of those costs at all our operating mines and plants and at closed facilities.

''This provision will provide a level of reserves which we can reasonably estimate will be sufficient to cover the costs, outside of normal operating costs, that will be needed to meet our environmental responsibilities as we now know them.''

Mr. Osborne also stated, ''The provision for increased state royalties is a current estimate of past costs expected from higher royalty rates under a new mineral leasing statute enacted by the State of Arizona which is retroactive to December 1987.''

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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LITTLE ROCK, AR (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Babcock & Wilcox has agreed to purchase a facility in Little Rock to produce steam injection boilers, heat recovery steam generators, package boilers and boiler replacement components.

The facility is owned by Arkla Inc., an integrated natural gas company headquartered in Little Rock. The facility, which was built in 1982, produced large gas compressors before it was closed in 1987.

The Little Rock facility includes approximately 187,000 square feet of covered buildings. It is located near the Little Rock Airport with good access to the barge-capable port on the Arkansas River.

Production in the facility is scheduled to start in the first half of 1991. The purchase price of the facility, which includes overhead cranes, office equipment and site services, is $4 million.

B&W plans to invest another $6 million in the business, which will be operated by a separately incorporated subsidiary called Babcock & Wilcox - ST Co. The company will utilize the boiler technology of Babcock & Wilcox, as well as

certain technologies B&W purchased in early 1990 from Struthers Thermo-Flood.

The company plans to initially employ a workforce of approximately 150 people in Little Rock, and up to 350 within the next two years in engineering, manufacturing, marketing and project management. This purchase will expand B&W's overall manufacturing capability.

B&W Power Generation Group headquarters are located in Barberton, Ohio. Other B&W Power Generation Group U.S. manufacturing plants are located in Paris, Texas, and West Point, Miss.

Babcock & Wilcox is a major operating unit of McDermott International Inc., a leading worldwide energy services company. The company and its subsidiaries manufacture steam-generating equipment, defense products and tubular products.

They also provide engineering and construction services for industrial and utility facilities onshore and to the oil and gas industry offshore.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation announced Thursday that Henry P. (Hank) Holland, 42, has been named president and chief operating officer of its Dun & Bradstreet Software division, the world's leading provider of business-applications software.

The company also announced that Michael A. Choukas, 35, has been named executive vice president responsible for strategy and business development, and that John B. Landry, 43, has been named executive vice president and chief technology officer, responsible for research and development.

D&B Software was formed by combining Management Science America (MSA), acquired by D&B in early 1990, and McCormack & Dodge (M&D), acquired in 1983.

Henry P. (Hank) Holland

Prior to his appointment as president and chief operating officer of D&B Software, Hank Holland was executive vice president in charge of development, customer services, consulting services and education products. Previously, he served briefly as a partner at Price Waterhouse.

Mr. Holland joined M&D in 1982 as a district manager and subsequently held a number of positions, including vice president of the company's Human Resource Business Unit, before being named chief operating officer of M&D in 1989. Prior to joining M&D, he served as director of marketing and sales for the

General Computer Services division of Dytron Corp. He began his business career as a public accountant and holds a B.S. in accounting from the University of Tennessee.

Michael A. Choukas

Michael A. Choukas was formerly a vice president with Bain & Company, the Boston-based management consulting firm. In this position, he had worked with D&B and McCormack & Dodge since 1984. He also assisted in the acquisition of MSA and subsequent merger with M&D. Mr. Choukas holds a B.A. in economics from Dartmouth College and an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School.

John B. Landry

John B. Landry was previously chairman and chief executive officer of Agility Systems, Inc., the developer of computer technology for the creation of mail-enabled applications. Prior to forming Agility Systems in 1989, he served as an executive vice president and a member of the board of directors of Cullinet Software. Mr. Landry joined Cullinet when it acquired Distribution Management Systems, where he was chairman. Prior to that, Mr. Landry was an executive vice president at McCormack & Dodge, responsible for the development of the company's Millennium software operating environment.

Mr. Landry serves as a director on the boards of IntelliCorp, Micro Tempus, Language Technology, Inc., and ADAPSO, the computer software and services trade association. He also is president of the Software Industry division of ADAPSO, and serves on the board of trustees of the Massachusetts Computer Software Council. He is a graduate of Babson College and holds a B.A./B.S. in finance.

The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation is the world's largest marketer of business information and related services, with worldwide operating revenue of $4.3 billion in 1989.

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RALEIGH, NC (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - GoodMark Foods Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:GDMK) Wednesday announced that the board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to 100,000 shares of the company's common stock from time to time during the current fiscal year in open market transactions.

The company currently has 4,302,000 shares outstanding.

Ron E. Doggett, chairman and chief executive officer, said that any additional

shares purchased are to be used for general corporate purposes, including GoodMark's employee stock option plan. ''This action reflects the Board's opinion that, at current market prices, GoodMark's common shares represent a sound investment for our corporate funds,'' he remarked.

GoodMark Foods is the nation's leading producer and marketer of meat snacks. The company is also a regional producer of packaged meat products, cookies, crackers, brownies and other snacks. Its principal brands include Slim Jim, Penrose, and Pemmican meat snacks; Jesse Jones packaged meats; A Whale Of A Snack cookies and crackers; Rachel's Brownies; and Andy Capp's snacks.

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CLEVELAND (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Record revenue and earnings for both the third quarter and first nine months of Fiscal l99l were announced today by American Greetings.

For the third quarter, ended November 30, l990, total revenue was $427.9 million, an 8.7 percent increase from the $393.8 million reported for the same period last year.

Third quarter pre-tax income was $55.5 million, a 12.1 percent increase from last year's $49.6 million.

Net income for the quarter was $34.9 million, an increase of 13.2 percent from $30.8 million recorded last year.

Earnings per share for the quarter were up 14.6 percent to $1.10 versus 96 cents for the third quarter last year.

For the nine-month period, total revenue was $1,050.9 million, an increase of 8.8 percent over $966.3 million last year.

Pre-tax income increased 11.5 percent, to $95.9 million versus $86.0 million for the same period last year.

Net income for the nine-month period was $60.4 million, up 13.3 percent from last year's $53.3 million.

Earnings per share through nine months were $1.90 versus $1.66.

Chairman Irving I. Stone said the results reflect ''continuing strong sales in greeting cards, our core product line, as well as improved sales of accessory products.''

President and Chief Executive Officer Morry Weiss noted that ''revenue gains were particularly strong in everyday greeting cards. Within that category are the alternative, or 'anytime' cards, which are increasingly popular with consumers.''

''Results are in line with our expectations, and we are on track for a strong fourth quarter and a record year in both revenue and earnings,'' Weiss added.

American Greetings is the world's largest publicly owned manufacturer and distributor of greeting cards and related products.

AMERICAN GREETINGS CORPORATION
THIRD QUARTER REPORT OF CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AND INCOME

FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1991
(In thousands of dollars except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended November 30, 1990	1989	Percent Increase
Total revenue	$427,887	$393,812	8.7%
Income before income taxes	55,543	49,557	12.1
Income taxes	20,672	18,758	10.2
Net income	34,871	30,799	13.2
Per share	1.10	0.96	14.6
Average number of common shares outstanding during each period	31,351	31,914	

	Nine Months Ended November 30, 1990	1989	Percent Increase
Total revenue	$1,050,880	$966,274	8.8%
Income before income taxes	95,884	85,969	11.5
Income taxes	35,477	32,668	8.6
Net income	60,407	53,301	13.3
Per share	1.90	1.66	14.5
Average number of common shares outstanding during each period	31,720	32,051	

AMERICAN GREETINGS CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME
(In thousands of dollars except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended November 30,		Nine Months Ended November 30,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989

Net sales	$424,118	$389,221	$1,036,237	$949,126
Other Income	3,769	4,591	14,643	17,148
Total revenue	427,887	393,812	1,050,880	966,274
Costs and expenses: Material, labor and other production costs	186,642	179,004	444,330	420,328
Selling, distribution and marketing	131,986	116,778	363,152	322,999
Administrative and general	44,557	40,581	124,244	115,813
Interest	9,159	7,892	23,270	21,165
Total costs and expenses	372,344	344,255	954,996	880,305
Income before income taxes	55,543	49,557	95,884	85,969
Income taxes	20,672	18,758	35,477	32,668
Net income	$ 34,781	$ 30,799	$ 60,407	$ 53,301
Net income per share	$1.10	$0.96	$1.90	$ 1.66
Dividends per share	$0.175	$0.165	$0.525	$0.495
Average number of common shares outstanding during each period including any dilutive stock options	31,351	31,914	31,720	32,051

Note A: Seasonal Nature of Business: The Corporation's business is seasonal in nature. Therefore, the results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results for the fiscal year taken as a whole.

Note B: Reclassification: The consolidated statement of income reflects depreciation expense being charged to the appropriate expense classification. The 1989 results have been reclassified to conform with the 1990 presentation.

AMERICAN GREETINGS CORPORATION
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
(Thousands of dollars)
(Unaudited)

	November 30, 1990	1989
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and equivalents	$ 39,716	$ 24,244
Trade accounts receivable-net	431,639	390,803
Inventories	275,253	232,795
Other current assets	60,811	48,987
Total current assets	807,419	696,829
Other assets	146,455	103,088

Property, plant and equipment-net	348,060	346,546
	$1,301,934	$1,146,463
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities		
Debt due within one year	$ 148,415	$ 66,959
Accounts payable	78,444	81,597
Accrued compensation and benefits	63,665	54,867
Dividends payable	5,487	5,269
Income taxes	23,709	11,163
Total current liabilities	319,720	219,855
Long-term debt	247,137	246,926
Deferred income taxes	101,088	91,669
Shareholders' equity	633,989	588,013
	$1,301,934	$1,146,463

AMERICAN GREETINGS CORPORATION
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
(Thousands of dollars)
(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended November 30, 1990	1989
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net Income	$ 60,407	$ 53,301
Adjustments to reconcile to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	32,608	30,645
Deferred income taxes	570	11,367
Change in operating assets and liabilities	(192,683)	(153,147)
Other - net	(8,795)	(1,617)
Net Cash (Used) by Operating Activities	(107,893)	(59,451)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Property, plant & equipment additions	(25,350)	(22,066)
Other - net	(24,678)	(9,007)
Net Cash (Used) by Investing Activities	(50,028)	(31,073)
NET CASH FLOW BEFORE FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(157,921)	(90,524)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Increases in long-term debt	13,178	1,508
Reductions of long-term debt	(1,477)	(4,519)
Change in notes payable	105,489	48,147
Sale of stock under option plans	6,277	3,199
Purchase of treasury shares - net	(31,913)	(12,032)
Dividends to shareholders	(16,586)	(15,827)
Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities	74,968	20,476
(DECREASE) IN CASH AND EQUIVALENTS	(82,953)	(70,048)
Cash and Equivalents at Beginning of Year	122,669	94,292
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD	$ 39,716	$ 24,244

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CLEVELAND, OH (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Cleveland-Cliffs Inc and North Star Steel Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota, announced today the formation of a joint venture to evaluate the technical and commercial feasibility of iron carbide production, and agreement with Iron Carbide Holdings, Ltd. to license its technology.

The companies said the technology involves reducing high quality iron ore concentrates with reformed natural gas in a fluidized bed reactor to produce iron carbide. The principal, initial market would be steel companies with electric arc furnaces, where iron carbide would supplement premium quality scrap. The evaluation is expected to be completed within eighteen months and could lead to joint production and marketing of iron carbide.

North Star, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cargill, Inc., is the nation's ninth largest steelmaker with an annual capacity of 2.7 million tons of electric furnace production.

Subsidiaries of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc manage six iron ore mines in North America and Australia. The Company holds a major iron ore reserve position in the United States and is a substantial iron ore merchant.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Dreyfus Strategic Governments Income Inc. (NYSE SYMBOL:DSI) declared from net investment income its monthly cash dividend of $0.09 per share of common stock payable on Jan. 9, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 28, 1990.

The previous cash dividend declared in November was also $0.09 per share.

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Legal Department, 212/922-6808

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WOODBURY, NY (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - SportsChannel America has signed a five-year agreement wiht Cencom Cable Television, the largest cable operator in St. Louis in which Cencom will become a full-time affiliate of the SCA network.

The announcement was made today by Jeff Ruhe, president and chief operating officer, SCA and John Clark, vice president, marketing and programming, Cencom Cable Television.

According to the agreement, Cencom will launch SportsChannel America as a basic channel on its three St. Louis systems on Jan. 1, 1991. Additionally, the agreement includes a provision for the potential expanded roll-out of SCA on other Cencom systems. Cencom is the nation's 27th largest multiple systems operator, serving over 500,000 homes.

This marks the second consecutive affiliation with a multiple systems operator servicing a National Hockey League franchise city since SCA initiated its discount packaging strategy in September, which provides financial incentives to operators that launch SCA and carry other NBC/Cablevision-owned services. On Oct. 30, SCA signed with Booth American Communications in Detroit.

''As was the case with the Detroit region, gaining carriage in St. Louis was a key goal of ours,'' Ruhe said. ''We will continue to utilize our discount packaging incentives to expand SportsChannel America's availability as a full-time basic service in areas of the country not serviced by regional sports networks.''

''The addition of SportsChannel America significantly improves the quality and value of our cable product,'' Clark said. ''SCA's programming enables us to meet the demand for NHL action in the St. Louis market.''

The SportsChannel America network is a joint venture between Cablevision Systems Corp. and the National Broadcasting Co., and has affiliations with systems serving 18 million cable households.

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PENNSAUKEN, NJ (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Active Capital Inc. (OTC) announced today that it has extended the date upon which its Redeemable Common Stock Purchase Warrants must be exercised to a date no later than June 30, 1991.

Pursuant to a Prospectus dated Nov. 14, 1988, Redeemable Common Stock Purchase Warrants that entitle their holder to purchase one additional share of common

stock at a price of $.075 per warrant, were to have expired on Jan. 18, 1990.

Active Capital had previously extended the exercise date to a date no later than Dec. 31, 1990. The board of directors believes that it is in the best interest of Active Capital and its stockholders to extend the date upon which the Redeemable Common Stock Purchase Warrants are to be exercised to a date no later than June 30, 1991.

Active Capital, through its wholly owned subsidiaries, provides diversified goods and services to and develops projects in Eastern Europe.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - A revolutionary technology that steam explodes newspapers, office waste and corrugated cardboard to recycle them into usable paper pulp was unveiled before news reporters Thursday.

The technology, a result of research undertaken jointly by Richmond-based Chesapeake Corp. (NYSE: CSK) and Toronto-based Stake Technology Ltd. (NASDAQ: STLKF) will be further developed and marketed by a new partnership, Recoupe Recycling Technologies.

J. Carter Fox, president and chief executive officer of Chesapeake Corp., said in making the announcement, ''We are convinced that Recoupe will provide a unique opportunity to offer a cutting edge technology that will revolutionize waste paper recycling and reduce the litter stream in the U.S. at the same time.''

Fox noted that Chesapeake, and the paper industry in general, have targeted recycling as a major area for development in the 1990's. ''A recent study published in the TAPPI journal indicated that with the use of recycled technology used today, there are no competitive technologies available to meet the demand for processing recycled fiber in the 1990's,'' he said.

Fox noted that the develpment of this process, and the formation of Recoupe Recycling Technologies is particularly timely in light of the continuing demand on the part of the state legislatures and municipalities for recycling of paper products.

Indications in the marketplace point to more and more legislatures mandating recycled content in newspapers and packaging materials. In many locales, tax credits for recycling provide added incentive to get a recycling program launched. Yet the costs of establishing recycling centers can often be prohibitive.

	Current technology	Recoupe
Capital costs	$65 million	$39 - 41 million
Operating costs	$322 million	$202 - 204 million
Speed of set-up	24 - 30 months	6 - 8 months

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PORT CHESTER, NY (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Village Bank President and CEO David V. Winstead, Freddie Mac Chairman Leland Brendsel, and Village Bank Chief Investment Officer and Senior Vice President George J. Amentas, made history recently when Village Bank became the first institution in the country to purchase Freddie Mac's new Gold Participation Certificates (PCs) backed by 5-year balloon mortgages.

Village Bank purchased the securities from Freddie Mac's Security, Sales and Trading Group.

Freddie Mac buys mortgages from lenders, pools and packages them into securities, and then sells those securities to investors to create a continuos flow of funds to mortgage lenders in support of home ownership and rental housing throughout the United States.

Winstead said the Freddie Mac purchase was part of Village's overall strategy since its successful public offering to grow stockholder value by balancing its growth through high quality investments, as well as secured commercial and residential mortgage lending activities in Westchester County and surrounding communities in New York and Connecticut.

Village Bank, the sole subsidiary of Village Financial Services Ltd. (NASDAQ: VIFS), is a strong, well-capitalized 125-year old financial institution with headquarters in Port Chester. Its current assets are well over $500 million and the bank has nine full-service Banking Centers throughout Westchester and Riverdale in New York. Headquartered in Reston, Va., Freddie Mac's Security, Sales and Trading Group is located in Washington, D.C.

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SAN ANTONIO, TX (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - OFFICE PRODUCTS OF AMERICA, INC., (NASDAQ Symbols: OPOAA & OPOAU & OPOAW) Thursday announced that it has received a commitment for a $5 million revolving line of credit from Fremont Financial Corp. in Chicago.

Funding is subject to the negotiation and execution of the definitive credit agreement and certain other conditions.

Thomas Klimback, president and chief executive officer of OFFICE PRODUCTS OF AMERICA, INC., stated, ''We are pleased to announce the securing of this financing commitment. Obtaining this line of credit was our first objective in our drive to acquire the financing required to meet our plans for OFFICE STOP's expansion throughout the Northeast. We are currently in negotiation with a number of parties for equity capital.''

OFFICE PRODUCTS OF AMERICA, INC. operates ''Office Stop'' warehouses offering general office supplies, office equipment, office furniture and other business-related products at discounts of 30 percent to 70 percent below manufacturers' suggested retail list prices. The company plans to open stores throughout the New England, Middle Atlantic and selected South Atlantic states.

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CARLSTADT, NJ (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - ''We are in the black and right on target!'' announced Peter Cohen, president of Trilling Medical Technologies (NASDAQ:BURN) Thursday, as he reported record sales and the first profitable year since the company was founded in 1979.

Net income for fiscal year 1990 was $589,480 or 2 cents per share, a complete turnaround from fiscal 1989's net loss of $397,309 or 2 cents.

Peter Cohen explained, ''I cannot fully express how proud I am of the team at Trilling who believed in the value of our Water-Jel products for the emergency treatment of burns, and pulled together to ensure that the company not only survived but thrived.''

He continued, ''This company is now operating profitably and given the steep growth curve of our sales, we are convinced this is only the beginning.''

Trilling's 1990 profit was earned on revenues of $5,029,199. ''As we announced

in October, fiscal 1990 revenues represent a 100 percent increase over the preceding year when the company generated slightly less than $2.5 million in revenues. Trilling's recent performance is particularly remarkable when compared to fiscal 1988 revenues which were
$430,083.''

Fiscal 1990's net profit is based on a weighted average 26,250,114 of common shares, as compared to a weighted average of 23,422,689 common shares in 1989.

Trilling has chosen to recognize this amount as revenue because it deems its prior contract with Pfizer terminated on May 31, 1991 if a new agreement is not consummated by March 31, 1991.

Trilling is negotiating the new license agreement with Pfizer and expects all issues concerning the future strategic alliance to be resolved.

Under the terms of the original contract the giant pharmaceutical company is currently manufacturing and test marketing Water-Jel Sterile Burn Dressings in the cities of Portland, Ore.; Houston; Indianapolis, and Louisville, Kent. Preliminary results of the test have been extremely promising.

Trilling's fourth quarter also achieved new highs. Net income was $520,890, or $0.015 per share and revenues reached $1.75 million. In contrast, the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989 had a net loss of $14,384, or $0.001 per share on revenues of $778,271.

Trilling's stock is traded with the symbol BURN. The class A warrants are BURNZ and Class B warrants are BURNW.

Trilling Medical Technologies
Financial Higlights

	Fourth Quarter Ended Aug. 31		Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 1,744,638	$ 778,271	$ 5,029,199	$ 2,474,632
Net income (loss)	$ 520,890	$ (14,384)	$ 589,480	$ (397,309)
Per share	$ .015	$ (.01)	$ 0.02	$ (.02)

Per share results are based on a weighted average number of 26,546,576 common shares outstanding in fiscal 1990 and 23,422,689 in fiscal 1989.

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RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of James River Corp. declared a quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of the Corporation.

The dividend is payable on Jan. 31, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 17, 1991.

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Concord, MA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - GenRad Inc. announces its participation in Mentor Graphics Corp.'s Open Door Program.

Under the agreement, the two companies will work together to develop interfaces between GenRad's System HILO 4 design analysis, verification and test generation tool suite and Mentor Graphics' Falcon Framework.

GenRad will develop a bidirectional interface between System HILO 4 and Mentor Graphics' NetEd and Design Architect schematic editors. With this interface, users will be able to transfer Mentor schematics directly to System HILO's extensive range of simulation tools. In addition, designers using GenRad's VHDL or proprietary GHDL for top-down design with System HILO may post gate level implementations created using logic synthesis to Mentor Graphics schematics.

In all cases, users will be able to interactively cross-probe and back-annotate between System HILO and Mentor Graphics' schematic editors.

The participation of GenRad in Mentor Graphics' Open Door Program is the latest initiative to bring System HILO design software to a wider CAE user base. GenRad's Mentor Graphics integration is planned for general release mid-1991.

o VALUE (Valid Logic User Environment), a recently announced System HILO 4 integration with Valid Logic's Valid GED schematic editor.

o Integration with PowerFrame from Digital Equipment Corp., through entry (November 1990) to the PowerFrame Synergy Program. Tool encapsulation is planned for mid-1991.

o Participation in the CAD Framework Initiative (CFI), an industry consortium

developing software standards and compatibility among vendors. o Availability of an EDIF (Electronic Design Interchange Format) option for System HILO 4. o A VHDL (VHSIC Hardware Description Language) support for System HILO.

GenRad Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems and automatic test equipment to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing, and process quality management. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its trading symbol is GEN.

Mentor Graphics Corp. (NASDAQ:MENT) was established in 1981 to design, manufacture, market and service elec design automation (EDA) systems. Headquartered in Beaverton, Ore., Mentor Graphics is the leader in worldwide EDA sales.

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LITTLETON, MA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Alliant Computer Systems Corp. (NASDAQ/ALNT) Thursday announced its FX/2800 supercomputers have exceeded two billion floating point operations a second (2 GFLOPS) on a linear convolution software routine frequently used in seismic exploration and in a wide range of digital signal processing applications.

The results are significant because they are achievable on an Alliant RISC-based FX/2800 supercomputer that sells for under two million dollars. Normally, these computations are run on a Cray Research Y-MP eight processor supercomputer that is priced in excess of $15 million.

The convolution is used to process digital data acquired in a wide range of disciplines. In oil exploration, for example, surface explosions cause underground strata to return echos that can be processed, using convolutions, to pinpoint promising locations to drill for oil. In radar and sonar signal processing, incoming signals can be filtered using this computational technique to eliminate background noise and search for specific kinds of targets. Other disciplines in which the software is used include crystallography, communications, speech recognition and speech synthesis, satellite image enhancement, High Definition Television (HDTV) research, vibration analysis and weather prediction.

''Many applications that use convolutions have enormous data sets requiring the throughput capabilities of very expensive supercomputers,'' said John

Scanlon, Alliant's vice president of marketing. ''The combination of RISC microprocessors and parallel processing architecture in the FX/2800 series makes it possible to address these requirements with a relatively low- priced supercomputer.''

Alliant has exceeded 2,145 MFLOPS on an FX/2828, a system with 28 Intel 860 RISC microprocessors. This compares to Cray Research's published (Cray Channels, Winter 1990 edition) figure of 2,012 MFLOPS on a Cray Y-MP eight processor model, and the peak theoretical performance of 200 MFLOPS on a Convex C240 four-processor system. An Alliant supercomputer occupies less than seven square feet of floor space, compared with the Cray Y-MP's 98 square feet.

Likewise, the FX/2800 family uses air cooling, while the Cray unit requires liquid cooling. The convolution routines are supplied as part of Alliant's scientific libraries package. Alliant's scientific libraries package is available immediately and is priced at $15,000.

''A general purpose supercomputer based on a non-proprietary instruction set that delivers this kind of performance at this price range is very attractive, compared to the traditional supercomputer approach,'' said Robert Limbaugh, president and chief executive officer at GeoQuest Technologies Corp., a seismic software and data processing service company.

Alliant Computer Systems Corp. manufactures standards- based parallel supercomputers with visualization tools that enable scientists and engineers to quickly interpret and solve complex problems.

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SUGAR LAND, TX (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Imperial Holly Corp. (AMEX:IHK) declared a regular quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share on common stock, payable Jan. 4, 1991 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 24, 1990.

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APPLETON, WI (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Air Wis Services Inc. (NASDAQ:ARWS) reports combined results of its Air Wisconsin and Aspen Airways units both operating as United Express.

Prior year Aspen results are not included. Revenue passenger miles (one passenger flown on mile) for November were 39.2 million, up 11.8 percent.

Available seat miles for November were 90.8 million, an increase of 16.6 percent from the same month in 1989. The passenger load factor (the percentage of seats occupied) for the month was 43.2 percent compared to 45.0 percent for November 1989. Passenger boardings of 193,358 were 7.9 percent above last November.

Revenue passenger miles for Air Wisconsin alone were up 7.8 percent in November, and 7.2 percent on a year to date basis.

Traffic Statistics
Month of November

	1990	1989	Change
Revenue passenger miles	39,209,534	35,072,927	+ 11.8 pct
Available seat miles	90,766,134	77,875,176	+ 16.6 pct
Passenger load factor	43.2 pct	45.0 pct	- 1.8 pts
Passengers enplaned	193,358	179,162	+ 7.9 pct

Year to Date

	1990	1989	Change
Revenue passenger miles	441,974,819	398,961,289	+ 10.8 pct
Available seat miles	966,705,862	850,233,900	+ 13.7 pct
Passenger load factor	45.7 pct	46.9 pct	- 1.2 pts
Passengers enplaned	2,183,084	2,096,980	+ 8.2 pct

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BOSTON (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The Boston Bancorp (NASDAQ:SBOS), the holding company for South Boston Savings Bank, Thursday reported net income of $13,495,000, or $1.94 per share, for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31.

For the prior fiscal year, the Boston Bancorp earned $19,365,000, or $2.50 per share. Per share amounts for fiscal 1990 were based on 6,955,712 weighted average shares outstanding, reduced from 7,753,881 a year ago, primarily due to stock repurchases.

For the fourth quarter ended Oct. 31, the company earned $2,839,000, or $0.42 per share. Net income for the year-ago fourth quarter was $7,919,000, or $1.04 per share, which included significant discretionary gains from the sale of Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC) common stock.

The Boston Bancorp's results for fiscal 1990 represented an annual return on average assets of 0.91 percent and an annual return on average shareholders' equity of 14.03 percent. Total assets were $1.55 billion at October 31, 1990. Stockholders' equity at fiscal year-end was $97,105,000, or $14.59 per share.

Richard R. Laine, chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''The Boston Bancorp has remained solidly profitable despite the difficult operating environment.'' He noted that fiscal 1990 earnings were primarily affected by a lower net interest margin, higher provisions for possible loan losses reflecting a continued deterioration in the New England economy, and fewer investment securities gains.

Net interest income before provision for loan losses was $9,215,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, compared with $8,523,000 in the same period of fiscal 1989. The interest rate spread was 2.15 percent and 1.94 percent for the quarter and fiscal year ended Oct. 30, respectively, compared with 1.95 percent and 2.02 percent in the same periods last year. For fiscal 1990 and 1989, net interest income was $34,129,000 and $35,492,000, respectively.

Other real estate, which is composed of mortgages in foreclosure and possession, was $14,242,000 at Oct. 31, compared with $19,304,000 at the end of the fiscal 1990 third quarter, and $13,648,000 at Oct. 31, 1989. Loans delinquent and in possession and foreclosure were 1.02 percent of total assets at Oct. 31, versus 1.31 percent at July 31, and 1.01 percent at the end of fiscal 1989. The provisions for possible loan losses were $1,100,000 and $3,150,000 for the fourth quarter and fiscal year 1990, respectively, compared with $625,000 and $1,975,000 for the same periods of fiscal 1989.

Total other income was $374,000 for the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter compared with $7,754,000 in the three months ended Oct. 31, 1989. The difference was due primarily to gains on sales of investment securities, which decreased $7,470,000 during the fourth quarter of 1990 as compared with the fourth quarter of 1989. Other income was $6,010,000 for fiscal 1990 compared with $10,791,000 in fiscal 1989. For the full year, gains on sales were $3,437,000 in fiscal 1990 versus $8,785,000 in fiscal 1989.

Due in part to the acquisition of deposits and the operation of branches of the former Eliot Savings Bank, operating expenses rose to $4,920,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 from $4,443,000 in the same period of fiscal 1989. For the full year, operating expenses were $17,896,000 in fiscal 1990, compared with $16,705,000 in the prior fiscal year. The ratio of operating expenses to average assets was 1.16 percent in fiscal 1990 versus 1.13 percent in fiscal 1989.

The Boston Bancorp is the holding company for South Boston Savings Bank, a state-chartered stock savings bank headquartered in South Boston, Massachusetts. South Boston also has full-service offices in Dorchester, Quincy, Weymouth and, as a result of the Eliot Savings purchase, in Needham and West Roxbury, Mass.

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SOUTH HACKENSACK, NJ (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - AEP Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: AEPI) has acquired the stretch film business of Princeton Packaging Inc.

AEP believes the acquisition significantly strengthens the company's overall position in the stretch film business by providing geographic diversification and needed production capacity. It also makes AEP one of the only suppliers of stretch film offering complete product lines utilizing both cast and blown film technologies.

AEP Industries Inc. manufactures, markets, and distributes an extensive range of polyethylene film products nationally which includes shrink bundle film agricultural row covers, mulch films, and stretch films. The company also offers a complete line of converted products and film for the converting industry.

AEP operates four manufacturing plants located in Moonachie, N.J.; Waxahachie, Texas; Matthews, N.C. and Los Angeles.

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MALVERN, PA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Rabbit Software Corp. will begin shipping The Visible Advantage, on Dec. 21.

This PC-based IBM 3290 replacement increases user productivity by providing simultaneous, full-screen display of up to four IBM 3270 host sessions in monochrome or full color.

Because it is a PC-based solution, it also offers users capabilities

impossible with IBM 3290 terminals, yet avoids the cost of upgrading to MS-Windows.

''The Visible Advantage workstation is essential in high volume production environments such as those in customer service, insurance claims processing, and transportation operations,'' said Douglas A. Patterson, vice president of marketing at Rabbit Software.

Typical users of the product are customer support representatives and network managers. These users need instant access to a variety of data sources to efficiently handle inquiries.

Users of Rabbit Software's Visible Advantage software can run up to eight host sessions simultaneously, and may select any four of the eight sessions for concurrent full-screen display on any of several standard, high-resolution display monitors.

Users can configure and save up to ten different screen layouts of their applications as ''profiles'' and can ''hot key'' between them. These profiles can be standardized for groups of users.

The Visible Advantage is available as a standalone product using Token-Ring, coaxial, SDLC, or bisynchronous connections, or as a workstation product connected via any RabbitGATE LAN gateway. The software is priced at $495 per workstation.

Rabbit Software Corp. (NASDAQ:RABT), a member of the Safeguard Scientifics family of technology companies, specializes in the development of advanced SNA and SAA communications products optimized for on-line transaction applications. Rabbit's complete line of connectivity products spans all major IBM communications protocols and operating systems in end-user environments.

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DALLAS (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Sunshine Mining Co. (NYSE:SSC) announced that it had declared a quarterly dividend on its $11.94 (stated value) cumulative preferred stock.

The dividend is payable Dec. 31, to holders of record on Dec. 21. The dividend will be payable in Sunshine common stock based on the annual dividend rate of $1.19 per preferred share.

The number of common shares to be issued will be computed based on the average closing price of Sunshine common stock for the 10 trading days commencing Dec.

12. Stock certificates will be mailed approximately Jan. 15, 1991.

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CONCORD, MA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The recent multi-year, multi-million dollar ''Nirvana Project'' contract award from The Sandia National Laboratories, Alberquerque, N.M., prime contractor for the U.S, Department of Energy (DOE) to Intergraph Corp., Huntsville, Ala., was a major win for both Intergraph and GenRad's Design Automation Products Group.

In the contract's first year, valued at approximately $8 million, GenRad's Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) Intergraph will ship approximately 140 RISC-based UNIX workstations and EDA software tools, including GenRad's System HILO 4 design analysis, verification and test generation tool suite, to Sandia. A number of the large Intergraph Servers supplied will be equipped with System HILO 4 and its HISIM, HIFAULT, HITIME, HILIB-ALL, and HILIB-PLD modules.

Nirvana is the DOE's designation for a Sandia National Laboratories' program to implement an Electronic Design Automation (EDA) system with advanced concurrent engineering capabilities. As specified by the contract, install approximately 500 EDA seats at Sandia.

The systems and software provided by Intergraph will be employed to integrate and improve the design, manufacture, and assembly of complex printed circuit boards, hybrid microcircuits and integrated circuits. The Nirvana Project has been designed to help Sandia and other DOE contractors migrate away from isolated, multi-vendor ''point solutions'' and move to an integrated, more efficient design environment.

The two principal objectives of the Nirvana Project are: to increase the productivity of each design and manufacturing group by providing users with newer and better automation tools; and to increase the productivity of the entire group by making it easier for each separate unit to exchange and share data with other groups and departments.

DOE contractors will use the Intergraph hardware and software tools, including System HILO 4, for tasks such as: hierarchical design capture (schematic capture); digital simulation and analysis (System HILO 4); analog simulation and analysis; physical layout and design; package design; thermal analysis; three dimensional analysis fit; and documentation and design management. To maximize system capabilities, third party design tools have been integrated into Intergraph's design framework.

For example, tools from GenRad, CLSI, Layout Concepts, MINC, Cadence, and Pacific Numerix were tightly integrated to form a single EDA system tailored to Sandia's requirements.

With the implementation of the Nirvana Project, effected subcontractors to Sandia will begin replacing their existing EDA systems with tool sets from Intergraph. The implementation will occur in a phased program as the older systems are scheduled for upgrade or maintenance.

GenRad Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of integrated software systems and automatic test equipment, to manufacturers and users of electronic and mechanical equipment, for design verification, product testing, and process quality management. The company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange; its trading symbol is GEN. Unix is a trademark of AT & T Bell Laboratories.

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NORTH CANTON, OH (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Belden & Blake Energy Co. (AMEX:BBE) Thursday declared a cash distribution for the fourth quarter of 1990 in the amount of 6 cents per unit.

The distribution amount represents a 20 percent increase over the 5 cents per unit distributed for each of the previous quarters of 1990. The distribution is payable on Jan. 18, 1991, to unitholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990. As of Sept. 30, the company had 5,801,113 units outstanding.

In making the announcement, Henry S. Belden IV, co-general partner of the company stated, ''The increase in the quarterly distribution level was warranted by the higher oil prices which we enjoyed throughout the quarter. The increase is further justified by the fact that during 1990 the company has added substantially more reserves through acquisitions and drilling than it will produce this year.

''We expect to be able to sustain this level of distribution -- and continue to expand our reserve base -- if oil prices remain at or above $25 per barrel. Rapid change, however, has become a constant in this industry. Management's responsibility is to guide the company through the daily challenges presented by world events, without losing focus on our investors' long-term objectives '' Belden continued.

Belden & Blake Energy Co. is a limited partnership traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol ''BBE.'' The company operates exclusively in Ohio, New York and Pennsylvania and is a major producer of oil and natural gas

in the Appalachian Basin.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of SCOR U.S. Corp. (NYSE:SUR) Thursday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 5 cents per share payable on Dec. 28, to shareholders of record on Dec. 24.

SCOR U.S. Corp. is the holding company of Scor Reinsurance Co. and the Unity Group. Scor Re specializes in underwriting treaties covering commercial and technical risks and is a recognized leader in the provision of facultative property, casualty and special risk covers.

The Unity Group pimarily underwrites peoperty business on a treaty basis. Score Re and The Unity Group are both headquartered in New York City. In addition, Scor Re operates branch offices in Chicago, Dallas, Hartford, Conn. and New York City.

All of SCOR U.S. Corp's reinsurance subsidiaries are rated ''A'' (Excellent) by A.M. Best.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Amrep Corp. (NYSE:AXR), builder of new communities and international distributors of magazines Thursday announced that revenues for the second quarter and six months ended Oct. 31, 1990 were $17,071,000 and $34,793,000 respectively.

This compares with second quarter revenues and six month revenues of $21,615,000 and $45,866,000 respectively, a year ago.

Results for the quarter from continuing operations was a loss of $1,281,000 or 19 cents a share compared to a loss of $115,000 or 2 cents a share last year.

Net loss from continuing operations for the six months was $1,812,000 or 27 cents per share compared to a loss of $53,000 or 1 cent a share last year.

After including discontinued operations, net income last year was $20,000 or .00 a share for the quarter and net income of $339,000 or 5 cents a share for the six months.

The sale of the water and sewer utility systems, previously announced, was closed in November and will be reflected in the third quarter. The company expects to realize a pre-tax profit in excess of $3 million on the transaction.

AMREP CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31,		Six Months Ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$17,071,000	$21,615,000	$34,793,000	$45,866,000
Net income (loss) from continuing operations	$(1,281,000)	$ (115,000)	$(1,812,000)	$ (53,000)
Net income (loss) from discontinued utility operations	---	135,000	---	392,000
Net income (loss)	$(1,281,000)	$ 20,000	$(1,812,000)	$ 339,000
Net income (loss) per share: Continuing operations	$ (0.19)	$ (0.02)	$ (0.27)	$ (0.01)
Discontinued operations	---	0.02	---	0.06
Net income (loss) per share	$ (0.19)	$ 0.00	$ (0.27)	$ 0.05
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	6,617,834	6,617,847	6,617,834	6,614,608

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TAMPA, FL (DEC. 13) BUSINESS EDITORS - Action Staffing Inc. (NASDAQ:ACTS) Thursday reported a 38 percent increase in revenues and a rise of 28.6 percent in net income for its fiscal year ended Aug. 31.

The results are principally due to the company's increased penetration of the small and medium sized employer market and to a lesser extent to its financial services operation.

Net income for the fiscal 1990 year was $752,621 or 2 cents per share, compared to $585,029 or 2 cents per share, for fiscal 1989. Earnings per share is based on weighted average shares outstanding of 42,086,000 for 1990 and 38,168,000 in 1989.

Revenues reached $172,656,672 for fiscal 1990, up from $125,015,175 for fiscal

1989.

During the fourth quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990, Action Staffing reported net income of $244,000 (1 cent per share), compared with $284,000 (1 cent) for the fourth quarter of 1989.

Tampa-based Action Staffing Inc. is a leader in employee leasing for business and industry with 12,000 employees under lease in 32 states.

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BALA CYNWYD, PA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Global Entertainment Ltd. (OTC) announced Thursday the completion of its acquisition of Century Film Studios Inc. of New York through the issuance of 2,368,067 shares of its common stock in exchange for all of the outstanding shares of Century Film.

Century Film will continue its operations as a wholly owned subsidiary of Global.

Century Film is a distributor of major motion picture video programming and a producer of original video programming including Cathy Lee Crosby's ''20-Minute Beautiful Body Workout'' videotape and other titles.

Paul Soltoff, president and chief executive officer of Global, stated: ''The acquisition of Century Film Studios positions Global to become a significant competitor in video film distribution.

''In addition to its distribution of major motion picture video programming, licensed video programming and its own original video programming, Century will distribute video programming created and produced by Corsa Ltd., another wholly owned subsidiary of Global.''

Global Entertainment Ltd. is an entertainment company which creates, produces and distributes original video programming through its wholly owned subsidiaries, Century Film Studios Inc., of New York, and Corsa Ltd., of Bala Cynwyd, Pa.

Century Film Studios distributes major motion picture video programming, licensed video programming and its own original video programming.

Corsa Ltd., a consumer product marketing company which owns and operates a video production studio, markets licensed consumer products direct to consumers primarily through ''The Fun-Time Shopper,'' a 30-minute television commercial (''infomercial''), which was created at Corsa's production studios.

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FREEHOLD, NJ (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Calton Inc. (NYSE:CN) reported Thursday that it is continuing discussions with its lenders to modify certain terms of its secured line of credit, including a restructuring of the terms under which the outstanding balance under the Credit Agreement is to be repaid and an extension of the term of the Credit Agreement from April 30, 1991 to Dec. 1, 1991.

As previously reported, the company paid $10 million of a $20 million payment due on Nov. 30, and expects that the discussions with the lending group will lead to an amendment of the credit agreement.

The lending group has formally agreed that it will not pursue any remedies that are available under the credit agreement until Jan. 10, 1991, in view of these ongoing negotiations. Eighty-five million dollars is currently outstanding under the credit agreement.

The lending group has exercised its rights as holders of senior debt to prohibit the company from making a $2.6 million interest payment due to the holders of the company's 12-5/8 percent Subordinated Notes on Dec. 15, until the company reaches a final, binding agreement (the ''Exchange Agreement''), to exchange certain properties and joint venture interests for approximately $18 million of its 16-5/8 percent Senior Subordinated Notes.

The terms of the 12-5/8 percent Senior Subordinated Notes provide the company with a 30-day grace period in which to make the interest payment. The company previously reported that it has entered into a non-binding letter of intent to acquire the 16-5/8 percent Senior Subordinated Notes. The company expects to enter into the Exchange Agreement prior to Dec. 31.

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Robert E. Linkin, 908/780-1800

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#90347b0845 12/13/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW HAVEN, CT (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Southern New England Telecommunications Corp. (NYSE: SNG) announced Thursday that as required by yesterday's decision by the Department of Public Utility Control (DPUC) it will book newly approved depreciation rates for its subsidiary, Southern New England Telephone Co. retroactively from Jan. 1, 1990.

This will produce an increase in depreciation expense of approximately $10 million, with a corresponding reduction in earnings of 10 cents per share in the fourth quarter of 1990.

A decision regarding the revenues to offset this increase in depreciation in 1991 and in subsequent years will be made at the time the DPUC acts upon Southern New England Telephone's rate request in January of 1991. In that rate request, which totals $91.6 million, the company had asked for an increase in depreciation expense of $38 million and revenues to cover the additional expense. The DPUC decision yesterday covered depreciation expense and not rates, and authorized a $10 million increase in expense only.

The company intends to file a petition with the DPUC for the reconsideration of that portion of its decision that orders it to book the newly approved depreciation rates retroactively.

Headquartered in New Haven, Conn., SNET is an independent telecommunications company that offers network services, cellular mobile phone service, communications equipment, and information management systems.

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203/453-6720 (home)

-30- 1750

#90347b0853 12/13/1990 ~Business Wire

BILLERICA, MA (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - BTU International, Inc. (NASDAQ: BTUI) announced today that it has received an order from SEMATECH, the government/industry research consortium charged with restoring U.S. semiconductor manufacturing leadership.

SEMATECH has placed an order for BTU's new vertical semiconductor-production systems for processing six- and eight-inch wafers.

In combination with its established superiority in the area of wafer-fabrication software systems, BTU believes its new vertical technology offers significantly improved process performance and yield.

''BTU's vertical reactor technology is leading-edge,'' said Paul van der Wansem, BTU's president and chief executive officer. ''Therefore, we are pleased to be a participant in this critical semiconductor industry program.''

BTU International is a member of SEMI/SEMATECH, an independent industry association headquartered at SEMATECH. SEMI/SEMATECH has 133 members, consisting of majority-owned American supliers to the semiconductor manufacturing industry.

SEMATECH, a consortium of 14 U.S. semiconductor manufacturers and the U.S. government, is charged with restoring U.S. semiconductor manufacturing leadership capability. Furnace and implant technology comprise one of the consortium's five areas of concentration, along with lithography, multilevel-metallization capability, manufacturing methods, processes and systems, and university/national lab research.

BTU International, Inc. is one of the principal suppliers worldwide of wafer-processing systems which are used in the manufacture of integrated circuits. In addition, the company is a leading international manufacturer of thermal-processing systems used to package and seal integrated circuits.

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Jean Devine, 617/482-0400
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SEMATECH
Buddy Price, 512/356-7107

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#90347c0003 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:28 that trade in Montana Precision Mining LTD.(NASDAQ: MPML) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1. The company is located in Eureka, Montana.

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#90347c0004 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:46 that trade in Convertible Holdings Inc. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol CNV .

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#90347c0005 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in NCR Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol NCR. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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#90347c0006 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:52 that trade in Jacor Communications Inc.(NASDAQ: JCOR) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1 3/8. The company is located in Cincinnati, Ohio.

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#90347c0007 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:06 that trade in Montana Precision Mining LTD.(NASDAQ: MPML) has been resumed. The first bid was 13/16; down 3/16 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90347c0009 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:39 that trade in Asarco Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol AR.

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#90347c0010 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:01 that trade in Jacor Communications Inc.(NASDAQ: JCOR) has been resumed. The first sale was 1 1/4; down 1/8 point from the halt, and down 1/4 point from the previous close.

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#90347c0011 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Asarco Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol AR. Trading was resumed at 11:15.

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#90347c0012 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 12:

General Real Estate Shares SBI Ex-Dist - WI (GRESV); Insufficient number of regular market makers - security never quoted (stk div)

OKC Limited Partnership Ex-Dist - WI (OKCZV); Insufficient number of regular market makers - security never quoted (stk div)

Samna Corp. (SMNA); Insufficient number of public shareholders

The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 11:

Cognitive Systems Inc. (CSAI); Capital & surplus below minimum
Haber Inc. (HABEE); Not current in required filings, Pfd. (HABPE); Not current in required filings

Phonetel Technologies Inc. (PNTL); Capital & surplus below minimum

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#90347c0013 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 12:

Andros Analyzers Inc. (ANDY) to Andros Inc. (ANDY)
Circadian Inc. (CKDNE) to (CKDN)
Concurrent Computer Corp. (CCUR) to (CCURC)
Mercom Inc. (MERO) to (MEROC)
Pharmacontrol Corp. (PHARD) to (PHADC), 8 1/2% Conv Dbs 2002 (PHARG) to (PHAGC)

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#90347c0015 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 6-K report filed at the NASD by Pacific Sentinel Gold Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$0.00	$0.00
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$192,807	$(22,498)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,290,733	$4,088,925
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,279,338	$3,945,436

Figures are reported in Canadian dollars.

The company is in the development stage, and reports the underlying value of its mineral properties and related deferred costs is entirely dependent upon th existence of economic mineral reserves. Its executive offices are located at Suite 1020 - 800 West Pender Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 2V6.

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#90347c0016 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 6 1990, Market Facts Inc.(TICKER: MFAC) changed its principal accountants from Spicer & Oppenheim to KPMG Peat Marwick for future auditing and other related services.

This decision, the company states, was based upon Market's receiving notice that Spicer & Oppenheim dissolved and disbanded its Chicago office.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90347c0018 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 6-K report filed at the SEC shows Ramtron Australia Ltd.(TICKER: MEMR) reported the following directors were re-elected at the annual general meeting held on Nov. 19, 1990:

R.M. Lyndon-James, G.J. Stathakis and O.L. Benton.

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#90347c0019 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 6 1990 the board of directors of Mascott Corp.(TICKER: DINE) approved the dismissal of Arthur Andersen & Co. as the company's independent accountants and approved the selection of Wiss & Co. in that office.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90347c0020 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows MAF Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: MAFB) reported that on Nov. 26, 1990, the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) indicated they would not disapprove an application filed by members of the Koranda family on Aug. 31, 1990, requesting permission to increase their stock ownership in MAF Bancorp Inc. to a level that would constitute a change in control under OTS rules and regulations.

The filing requests permission to allow the Koranda family to increase its

ownership from 9.43% to 18.0% over the next 10 years. The balance of the family's contemplated increase in ownership of MAF is expected to result from open-market purchases or other acquisitions of stock, reports MAF.

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#90347c0021 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by California Jamar Inc.(TICKER: JMAR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,687	$76,850
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(299,424)	$(96,086)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.27)	$(0.26)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,116,589	374,748

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,782,514	$1,527,591
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,518,172	$808,292

The company is in the development stage. Its executive offices are located at 3956 Sorrento Valley Blvd., Ste. D, San Diego, California 92121, and its telephone number is (619) 535-1706.

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#90347c0022 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by BGS Systems Inc.(TICKER: BGSS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989

REVENUES	$5,654,801	$5,064,952
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,288,489	$1,055,308
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.41	$0.34
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,155,885	3,074,214

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$25,522,110	$26,284,066
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,410,027	$14,972,186

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#90347c0023 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Hamilton Digital Controls Inc.(TICKER: HDIG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$620,450	$1,023,782
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(244,509)	$(191,336)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.14)	$(0.11)

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,927,349	$4,721,727
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$381,290	$765,060

-30- 1042

#90347c0024 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:57 that trade in Gallery of History (NASDAQ: hist) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3. The company is located in Las Vegas, Nevada.

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#90347c0026 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY L.M. ROSS OWNS 1,190,400 SHARES (9.80%) OF HOTEL INVESTORS CORP. (TICKER: HOT) OF WOODLAND HILLS, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mrs. Ross has transferred her direct beneficial ownership of certain other shares to Mr. Ross, and as a result, she no longer owns any beneficial interest in the shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 30 through Dec. 7, 1990, L.M. Ross, et al. purchased 64,000 shares at a price of $1.38 to $2 per share.

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#90347c0027 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 27

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Dec. 11, 1990, The Kansas Power and Light Co. and the Kansas Gas and Electric Co.(TICKER: KGE) announced a joint filing of an application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to approve their merger. Completion of the merger is subject to obtaining all necessary governmental and regulatory approvals and consents for merger. KPL previously filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission on Nov. 21, 1990, and KPL and KG&E jointly filed with the Kansas Corporation Commission on Nov. 20, 1990 for merger approval. Approval of the merger by the KG&E shareholders and approval for an increase in authorized common shares by KPL shareholders are also necessary. The merger agreement was unanimously approved by the boards of both companies and each share of KG&E common stock will be converted to $32 in cash or $32 in value of KPL common stock pursuant to a cash election merger. KG&E will operate as a wholly-owned subsidiary of KPL and maintain its Wichita, Kansas headquarters.

-30- 1279
#90347c0028 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:35 that trade in Office Products of America, Inc. (NASDAQ: OPOA) has been halted pending news.

The last bid-ask was 5/16, 1/2. The company is located in San Antonio, TX.

-30- 379

#90347c0029 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Glassmaster Co.(TICKER: GLMA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$17,369,717	$14,845,126
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(596,088)	$(892,522)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(684,634)	$(1,104,193)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.51)	$(0.81)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,034,791	$10,584.245
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$446,949	$1,116,333

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#90347c0030 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Peoples First Corp.(TICKER: PFKY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,439,070	$1,209,712
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.59	$0.55
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,417,016	2,210,582

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$474,191,280	$441,585,674

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$38,499,418	$34,829,195

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#90347c0031 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Dawson Geophysical Co.(TICKER: DWSN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,734,000	$5,242,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$64,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(657,000)	$(601,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.22)	$(0.20)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,970,300	2,970,300

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$11,636,000	$11,936,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,115,000	$11,772,000

-30- 1069

#90347c0032 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by International Bankcard Services Corp. (TICKER: IBSC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$180,863	$43,270
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,498	$(92,377)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,644,308	$536,629
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$579,451	$245,814

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#90347c0034 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by T2 Medical Inc.(TICKER: TSQM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$73,070,365	$44,593,987
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$15,415,680	$9,590,992
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.13	$0.90
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	13,604,098	$10,601,437

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$149,638,808	$75,664,545
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$127,653,801	$42,781,352

-30- 1066

#90347c0035 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Wall Street Financial Corp.(TICKER: WSFC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$96,077	$96,511
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(374,724)	$(468,230)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.07)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$533,152	$2,220,397
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(225,920)	$832,478

-30- 994

#90347c0036 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Intercim Corp.(TICKER: ITCM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,705,415	$2,444,982
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$78,391	$14,652
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,656,102	9,158,719

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,767,130	$6,207,911
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,270,436	$2,194,242

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#90347c0037 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 6-K report filed at the NASD by International Movie Group Inc.(TICKER: IMGR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990
REVENUES	$1,395,904
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$26,395
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$41,577,099
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,616,976

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#90347c0038 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:11 that trade in Burlington Resources Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol BR.

-30- 329
#90347c0039 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:31 that trade in Trilling Medical Technologies (NASDAQ: BURN) has been resumed. The first sale was 11/32; unchanged from the halt, and up 1/32 point from the previous close.

-30- 382
#90347c0041 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:53 that trade in Office Products of America Inc.(NASDAQ: OPOA) has been resumed. The first bid was 5/16; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 368
#90347c0043 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 10, 1990, the board of directors of ENSTAR Indonesia Inc.(TICKER: ESR) announced its board of directors has approved redemption of all of the company's participating preferred stock.

The stock will be redeemed on March 28, 1991 at a per-share price of twice the sum of the per-share dividends for the semi-annual dividend periods ending on June 30, 1990 and Dec. 31, 1990.

Additionally, the company states the dividend amount payable for the semi-annual dividend period ending Dec. 31, 1990 will be paid along with the redemption price.

The semi-annual dividend for the period ending June 30, 1990 was $0.17 per share.

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#90347c0044 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 5 1990, Forum Group Inc.(TICKER:FOUR) announced a corporate restructuring to adjust its personnel and operations to changed conditions in real estate and financial markets.

The company reports that over 200 positions, including approximately 40 positions at the company's Indianapolis headquarters, will be eliminated.

Following the restructuring, Forum says it will have approximately 80 employees at its Indianapolis facility and 2,000 employees nationally.

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#90347c0045 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 4 1990, Illinois Power Co.'s (TICKER: IPC) board of directors declared four quarterly stock dividends for 1991.

These dividends, totaling approximately $39.0 million, will be paid on the normal payment dates of Feb. 1, May 1, Aug. 1 and Nov. 1 in 1991, if the company satisfies certain requirements established by an Oct. 24, 1990 order of the Illinois Commerce Commission.

The order authorizes the company to declare and pay preferred stock dividends in the event that additional losses that may be required to be recorded in 1990 or 1991 could cause retained earnings to be temporarily negative.

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#90347c0046 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 7 1990, the board of directors of the Robertson Companies Inc.(TICKER: RBRT) approved an agreement in principle with its creditors to negotiate an agreement regarding a plan under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code by which the company's assets will be sold over a period of time.

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#90347c0047 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 19, 1990, Eateries Inc.(TICKER: EATS) was notified by Laventhol & Horwath that a decision had been made by that accounting firm to resign as Eateries' principal accountants, due to liquidation proceedings.

Eateries reports it is presently contemplating the engagement of another

accountant.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90347c0048 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 10, 1990, National Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: NEI) filed a voluntary petition for bankruptcy protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the eastern district of Virginia.

The company began operating as a debtor-in-possession on that date.

The proceeding is called In re: National Enterprises Inc. f/k/a National Homes Corp. f/k/a National Construction Services f/k/a National Building Systems.

In other news, on Nov. 1, 1990, the company reports it defaulted in payment of the interest due that date on the outstanding principal balance of its 4 3/4% convertible subordinated debentures due May 1, 1996.

National attributed the default to the large operating losses it sustained in the most recent fiscal years and most particularly, in the third quarter of 1990.

Additionally, Ernie Dinsdale and Bill Lloyd were elected to the board of directors of National on Dec. 7, 1990.

The board acted unanimously Dec. 8 to reduce the number of directors to one, and as of Dec. 9, 1990, Dinsdale, Lloyd and Stephen J. Marano resigned, leaving John B. Overzet as sole director.

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#90347c0049 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 27, 1990, E.O.B. Holding Inc. re-procured 920,000 shares of Mast/Keystone Inc.'s (TICKER: MKEY) outstanding stock, due to recision of an agreement on that date between E.O.B. and Mast/Keystone.

This transaction brings E.O.B.'s total holdings to 37% of outstanding shares.

E.O.B. stated, Mast/Keystone reports, that it believes the basis of Mast's control is ownership of more than 35% of Mast's outstanding shares.

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#90347c0051 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows as of Dec. 11, 1990, Newport Investments Inc. entered into a letter of intent with MultiBase Technologies Inc. (MBT) regarding the proposed stock exchange acquisition by Newport of MBT.

The letter contemplates negotiation and execution of a formal exchange agreement between Newport and MBT, under which Newport would acquire all MBT's issued and outstanding common stock in exchange for not more than 10.77 million restricted common shares of Newport, and a 1 for 3 reverse stock split of Newport's presently outstanding 5.70 million common shares.

Newport states the intention of this transaction would be for its common stock after the acquisition to be owned 85% by the former MBT stockholders, and 15% by the current Newport shareholders.

Newport also would operate MBT as a wholly-owned subsidiary, it states, and the acquisition would not affect the operating structure of MBT and MBT subsidiaries.

The letter of intent requires approval and execution in all respects of the exchange agreement by both companies' boards of directors on or before Feb. 1, 1991, with a closing of such agreement to occur not later than Feb. 15, 1991.

The company's executive offices are located at 1640 Grant Street, Suite 100, Denver, Colorado 80203, and its telephone number is (303) 369-4967.

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#90347c0052 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30, 1990, General Communication Inc.(TICKER: GNCM) (GCI) transferred substantially all its assets to its wholly-owned subsidiary, GCI Communication Corp.

General Communication reports it will remain fully liable for its outstanding obligations.

All of the 101,000 issued and outstanding shares of common stock and assets of the subsidiary owned by GCI will be pledged as security under the credit agreement dated Dec. 8, 1989 between GCI and First National Bank of Chicago and NCNB Texas National Bank of Dallas.

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#90347c0053 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov.

27, 1990, an agreement dated Oct. 1, 1989 between the Mills-Jennings Co. (TICKER: JKPT) and E.O.B. Holding Inc. was rescinded. As a result, Mills-Jennings reports E.O.B. returned 2.75 million shares of Mill-Jennings common stock to Mills-Jennings.

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#90347c0054 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that on Dec. 1, 1990, Duckback Industries Inc. entered an agreement with six of its shareholders by which the shareholders loaned Duckback a total of $245,000 in return for negotiable unsecured installment notes bearing interest at 12% per annum, payable only on the 10th day of each month, commencing Jan. 10, 1991 and continuing through April 10, 1991, and thereafter payable in equal monthly installments of principal and interest amortized such that the entire unpaid balance of principal and interest shall be due and payable on Dec. 10, 1991.

Duckback additionally, on Dec. 4, 1990, entered an agreement with Hallmark Holdings Inc. by which Hallmark loaned Duckback a total of $250,000 in return for negotiable unsecured installment notes bearing interest only on the 10th day of each month, starting Jan. 10, 1991, and continuing through April 10, 1991.

The notes will be payable after that date in equal monthly installments of principal and interest amortized such that the entire unpaid amount shall be due on Dec. 10, 1991.

These same shareholders received two warrants for each dollar loaned to Duckback, entitling them to purchase shares of Duckback's common stock at $0.50 per share until Dec. 4, 1990.

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#90347c0055 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

FIDENAS INVESTMENT LTD. OWNS 5,197,800 SHARES (13.73%) OF EMERSON RADIO CORP. (TICKER: EME) OF NORTH BERGEN, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Fidenas Investment LTD. also acquired a long-term call right from a financial institution to acquire 503,200 common shares which right is exercisable at such institution's cost of acquisition plus LIBOR from the date of acquisition. Fidenas, Stephen L. Lane and William W. Lane may constitute a group in that they have entered into a share retention and voting agreement,

as amended. As a result of certain discussions, Emerson Radio Corp.'s board has approved a master agreement by and between Emerson Radio Corp., Fidenas, Stephen L. Lane and William W. Lane whereby Emerson Radio Corp. will cause the board to increase the number of directors from six to eight and cause two designees of Fidenas to be elected to the board, initially, Geoffrey P. Jurick and Eugene I. Davis. Pursuant to the retention and voting agreement, Fidenas and the Messrs. Lane will each vote all of their common shares in favor of, and for the election of two designees of Fidenas and up to six selectees of Issuers of whom two will be independent of Emerson Radio Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Sept. 16, 1990 through Nov. 29, 1990 Fidenas Investment LTD.'s has purchased 57,100 common shares for a total amount of $149,287.50.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90347c0056 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY P. CUNDILL & ASSOCIATES BERMUDA LTD. 4,430,679 SHARES (7.30%) OF ELSINORE CORP.(TICKER: ELS) OF LAS VEGAS, NEVADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

PCB has an agreement, dated April 1, 1987, with Value Fund, under which PCB provides investment advisory services to Value Fund and has sole voting and shared dispositive power over the shares owned by Value Fund.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 6, 1990, Value Fund purchased 4,430,679 shares at a price of $.2584 per share, or total purchase price of $1,144,887.45.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90347c0057 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

D. BLECH TRUSTEE OWNS 1,195,500 SHARES (4.50%) OF NOVA PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. (TICKER: NOVX) OF BALTIMORE, MARYLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result of sales of Nova Pharmaceutical Corp. shares, D. Blech Trustee no longer holds more than 5 percent of the Nova Pharmaceutical Corp.'s shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 2 and Nov. 26, 1990 D. Blech Trustee sold 145,000 shares at $2.13 to $2.44 per share.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

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#90347c0059 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY L.H. WEXNER OWNS 153,336,300 SHARES (30.30%) OF THE LTD. INC. (TICKER: LTD) OF COLUMBUS, OHIO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 14 and 21, 1990 L.H. Wexner, et al. sold 3,550,000 shares at $13.88 to $14.75 per share.

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#90347c0060 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CARE PLUS INC. OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA OWNS 2,188,730 SHARES (12.00%) OF NEW ENGLAND CRITICAL CARE INC.(TICKER: NECC) OF WESTBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 1, 1990 Care Plus and the company agreed to merge, with the company as

the surviving corporation. Care Plus will become a wholly owned subsidiary of the company. Each .775 shares of Care Plus common stock will be converted into .775 New England Critical Care Inc. common shares.

PURPOSE:

Agreement and plan of reorganization.

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#90347c0061 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:39 that trade in Lawson Mardon Group LTD. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol LMG.

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#90347c0062 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:44 that trade in Homestead Holding Corp.(NASDAQ: HMSD) has been resumed. The first sale was 4 1/2; down 3/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90347c0063 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 5 1990, Nature's Bounty (TICKER: NBTY) auditors, Laventhol & Horwath, ceased operations.

Laventhol & Horwath's report on the financial statements of the company for the past two years did not contain an adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion.

However, on Dec. 19, 1989, Laventhol & Horwath issued a letter pointing out material weakness in the internal structure of Nature's Bounty.

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#90347c0064 12/13/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 21, 1990, Sports Arenas Inc's (TICKER: SPTA) accountant, Laventhol & Horwath, filed for Chapter 11 proceedings. As a result, they will not be continuing as the company's accountant.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

The executive office of Sports Arenas is located at 5230 Carroll Canyon Road, Suite 310, San Diego, California 92121 and its telephone number is (619) 587-1060.

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#90347c0065 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 5 1990, Circle Fine Art Corp.(TICKER: CFNE) appoitned Coopers & Lybrand as its independent accountants, replacing Laventhol & Horwath, who filed for Chapter 11 proceedings in late Nov. 1990.

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#90347c0067 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 6 1990, Mascott Corp.(TICKER: DINE) engaged Wiss & Co. as its independent accountants, replacing Arthur Andersen & Co.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

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#90347c0068 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 3 1990, Analogic Corp.(TICKER: ALOG) appointed Coopers & Lybrand as its independent accountants.

The new accountants replace Laventhol & Horwath, which filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy on or about Nov. 21, 1990.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two

years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

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#90347c0069 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Continental Medical Systems Inc.(TICKER: CONT) reporting that its accountant for the past five years, Laventhol & Horwath, has filed for bankruptcy.

Continental Medical is currently seeking proposals from qualified firms to replace Laventhol & Horwath as its independent accountant and expects this process to be completed by Jan. 31, 1991.

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#90347c0070 12/13/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Rexhall Industries Inc.(TICKER: REXL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,979,000	$9,647,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(395,000)	$653,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.17)	$0.27
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,405,000	2,405,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,706,000	$13,053,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,683,000	$8,381,000

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#90347d0040 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (DEC. 13) - Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akhbar Velayati ended a visit to Turkey Thursday, saying Ankara and Teheran wanted the preservation of Iraq's territorial integrity and opposed ''any change in the political geography of the region''.

Velayati's remarks, at an airport news conference before his departure, were taken to mean joint opposition to the creation of a Kurdish state in northern Iraq in the aftremath of the Gulf crisis.

Both Turkey and Iran harbour large Kurdish minorities and fear an independent Kurdistan would whip up separatism.

Asked about Teheran's attitude if a war could not be prevented, Velayati said Teheran continued to hope that Iraq would completely withdraw from Kuwait which it invaded on August 2 and the crisis would be resolved peacefully.

He also noted progress after two days of talks here on a closer cooperation within the Economic Cooperation Organisation (Eco) set up by Iran, Pakistan and Turkey.

Foreign Ministry Sources said Teheran and Islamabad wanted to give the organisation a political identity to deepen the ties between the three countries.

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#90347d0300 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS (DEC. 13) - President Hafez al-Assad had talks here Thursday with his Lebanese counterpart Elias Hrawi on developments in Lebanon and steps to implement an Arab-brokered peace plan for national unity, the official Syrian news agency (SANA) reported.

The talks centered on the application of the Taif accord drafted by Saudi Arabia, Algeria and Morocco and which was endorsed by the Lebanese parliament last year.

Mr. Hrawi, who was elected by virtue of the accord, earlier this month reunified Beirut under the command of the Syrian-backed government for the first time in 15 years.

The Taif plan also calls for the introduction in Lebanon of political reforms.

Several senior Syrian officials, including Vice President Abdel Halim Khaddam, took part in the discussion after initial closed door talks between Mr. Assad and his Lebanese guest.

Mr. Hrawi was on his 10th visit to Syria since his election in November 1989 but his first since the reunification of Beirut.

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#90347d0500 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (DEC. 13) - The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) might

adopt rules at the end of next March calling on members to ban exports of products for which sales are prohibited on its territory, or to inform other GATT members when such exports are not forbidden.

A "working group on export of domestically prohibited goods and other hazardous substances" was set up within GATT in July last year, and its chairman, J. A. Sankey of Britain, submitted a report on Wednesday to GATT members suggesting the broad outlines of an agreement on the subject.

A source close to GATT said the proposal has wide support among GATT members.

Responsibility for banning exports of products considered dangerous on the domestic market, such as chemicals or pharmaceuticals, would be up to the GATT members, as in the past. But a "notification system" would oblige GATT member countries not ordering such an export ban to inform other GATT members of this fact.

GATT members also discussed a proposal submitted by the six countries of the European Free Trade Association, EFTA (Switzerland, Austria, Norway, Finland, Sweden and Iceland) at the recent ministerial trade conference in Brussels that was supposed to wind up the Uruguay Round of trade talks, but failed.

The proposal calls for GATT discussion of the relationships between policies connected with the environment and trade policies.

The proposed was backed by the European Community, which said it was "ready to begin a dialogue" on the issue.

India said it was ready to consider the proposal, while wondering whether GATT is the appropriate forum for such a discussion. Neither Brazil nor the United States spoke on the topic.

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#90347d0580 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (DEC. 13) - A Japanese national shot to death last month in a remote village in eastern Peru belonged to Japan's Red Army terrorist group, a visiting Japanese correspondent told a Lima newspaper.

Masanori Wakamiya, 45, was killed apparently by Maoist Shining Path guerrillas after losing his way in rugged jungle terrain. His body was found November 23, in Alto Puereli, 450 kilometers (280 miles) east of here.

He was the first known Japanese to have been killed in Peru, where Alberto Fujimori, a son of Japanese immigrants, was inaugurated as president in July.

"It's him, there's not doubt," Yomiuri Shimbum correspondent Tatsuhiko Fujita told La Republica daily when confronted with a photograph and some of the

belongings of his friend Mr. Wakamiya.

Mr. Fujita and two other Japanese correspondents recently visited Alto Puereli where Mr. Wakamiya was buried.

Mr. Fujita said his deceased friend was a member of the also Maoist Red Army and had been sentenced in the 70s to 14 years in jail for attempted murder.

The journalist confessed he could not understand why Mr. Masaoki had been killed on the other side of the Pacific by a terrorist group of identical ideology to the one he belonged to.

"He just said he was going to visit a friend in Peru," Mr. Fujita said.

The Japanese Embassy here told AFP that Mr. Wakamiya had stopped off October 12 to report a stolen passport, but that he later phoned to say he had found it.

Francisco Campos, Alto Puereli's lieutenant Governor, told La Republica that Mr. Wakamiya spoke no Spanish and was barely able to pronounce Puerto Prado, his intended destination, some 90 kilometers (55 miles) further east.

Mr. Campo's wife and mother in law were killed the same day Mr. Wakamiya was.

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#90347d0590 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 13) - Leaders of the Georgian region of South Ossetia who have been at odds with the Soviet republic since declaring their independence from it have called for a dialogue, the official Soviet news agency TASS reported Thursday.

"Our people are categorically opposed to confrontations and call for a political solution to all problems," the new president of the South Ossetian parliament, Thorez Kulumbiekov said.

He said South Ossetia would only raise the question of its independence if Georgia were itself to become independent of the Soviet Union.

He said the projected new Treaty Union which would redefine the 15 Soviet republics' relationships to each other did not define the position held by autonomous regions.

If Georgia were to become independent South Ossetia would be under its direct administration which would have "unpredictable consequences", Mr. Kulumbiekov said.

On Tuesday the Georgian parliament voted to dissolve the autonomous region of

South Ossetia created in 1922 to punish local officials for proclaiming the region a republic.

Ossetian separatists want their region to be attached to North Ossetia, an autonomous region in the neighbouring Soviet republic of Russia.

On Wednesday three men were shot deat in Tskhinvali, South Ossetia's biggest city.

Georgian authorities immediately introduced a month-long state of emergency in the city and in the near-by region of Djava, with a curfew from 10:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. according to the unofficial news agency Interfax.

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#90347d0620 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABOARD THE RAINBOW WARRIOR (DEC. 13) - Greenpeace said Thursday five of its activists arrested near the French Pacific nuclear test site at Mururoa were to face unspecified charges.

Activist Stephanie Mills said a Greenpeace delegation had met a French Defence Ministry official in Paris on Thursday and were told the five would be flown to Tahiti and handed to the state prosecutor there.

Reports Wednesday from Mururoa had said the five, including Greenpeace France president Alain Conan and U.S. scientist Norman Buske, had been released and were awaiting arrangements for their departure from the atoll.

The state prosecutor in Papeete, Tahiti, Jean-Claude Duval said the five were still on Mururoa atoll, where they had been questioned by police, adding they were released from detention Tuesday.

Ms. Mills said Greenpeace would protest against the action as it was a breach of international law by the French authorities who had kept them incommunicado for more than 48 hours.

(In Paris, Greenpeace France confirmed reports of the defence ministry meeting and said the five activists were to be taken to Papeete "shortly".

(Green MPs in the European Parliament and the Friends of the Earth issued separate statements objecting to the lengthy detention and calling for the "immediate" release of the five and an end to nuclear tests in French Polynesia.)

Ms. Mills said the news of the charges completely contradicted reports from French authorities that the five were free and the Rainbow Warrior II had refused to take them on board.

The five were arrested Tuesday when their rubber dinghy entered territorial waters around the site in a search for samples of marine organisms to test for possible radioactive contamination.

Mr. Duval had said Wednesday the Rainbow Warrior II, still cruising off the atoll, did not want to take the five back on board.

He said the French authorities would therefore have to decide where they would be taken.

The five earlier said they had found traces of radioactivity in plankton collected in waters outside the territorial limits.

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#90347d0710 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEL AVIV (DEC. 13) - The Soviet Union will renew its diplomatic ties with Israel once the Gulf crisis is over, an announcement on Radio Moscow's Hebrew language service said late Thursday, acording to Israel Television.

The announcement came less than 24 hours after Wednesday's Washington meeting between Israeli Prime Minister Itzhak Shamir and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevernadze.

Diplomatic ties were broken off by the Soviets following the Middle East war of 1967. According to the television report Moscow Radio said the resumption of full ties would now have to wait until after the Gulf Crisis in order not to endanger the international coalition against the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

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#90347d0720 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) - The U.S. State Department said Thursday that Secretary of State James Baker would not meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad January 12, despite Iraq's insistence on that date.

"January 12 is a date the United States Government is not sending its secretary of state to Baghdad," said spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler.

Washington has proposed that Iraq pick a date between December 20 and January 3 for the Baker-Hussein meeting.

"They continue to insist on one day. So, it doesn't look like they are particularly serious about getting this arranged," said Mr. Baker after meeting here with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

In Baghdad, an Iraqi Foreign Ministry spokesman ruled out the U.S-proposed dates. "It is Iraq that will set by itself an adequate date for a visit in its

capital and a meeting with its president," the spokesman said.

He said Washington should be entitled to set the date for planned talks in the United States between President George Bush and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz.

Miss Tutwiler said Mr. Aziz would not come to Washington until the Baker date was fixed. Without an agreement by Sunday, she said, Mr. Baker would attend an annual meeting of North Atlantic Treaty Organization foreign ministers in Brussels Monday and Tuesday.

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#90347d0760 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 13) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said Thursday his country would not accept foreign control over Arab oilfields in the Gulf, or the continued Israeli occupation of Arab territories.

Speaking at a cabinet meeting chaired by him, Saddam also vowed to defeat U.S. troops and their allied forces if war broke out in the Gulf, Baghdad Radio reported.

''Our principles do not accept foreign hegemony over Arab oil or the Arab homeland. Nor do they accept the Zionist entity to continue with its occupation of the Arab land and Palestine,'' he said.

He charged that the U.S.-led international alliance against Iraq did not start only in August following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

''The conspiracy against us had begun before this date because of our nationalist stance and our position on Palestine, which stressed that it is an Arab (country) that should be returned to its people,'' Saddam said.

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#90347d0790 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) - Oil prices recovered lost ground on the New York Mercantile Exchange Thursday, closing more than a dollar a barrel higher for January delivery.

The barrel of U.S. benchmark light sweet crude for January delivery closed at 26.42 dollars a barrel, up 1.07 dollars over Wednesday's closing price.

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#90347d0840 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) - Interest rates on one-year U.S. Treasury bonds dropped sharply in Thursday's auction, falling to their lowest level since April 1988,

the Treasury Department announced.

The Treasury sold 11.78 billion dollars worth of the one-year bonds at an average interest rate of 6.58 per cent against 6.81 per cent at the last auction November 15.

It was the lowest rate for the one-year bonds since April 17, 1988, when the one-year bond rate had fallen to 6.57 per cent.

Thursday's bids were hefty, totaling 23.40 billion dollars.

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#90347d0940 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) - Palestine Liberation Organisation Chairman Yassir Arafat said Thursday the political gains his movement has made as a result of the Gulf crisis far outweigh the financial losses.

Arafat said in a Cnn interview that the Gulf crisis had shifted the world's attention to the need for peace in the Middle East, which he called ''our real achievement''.

''It is true that financially we have lost, as I told you - 10.5 billion dollars - our community has lost in Kuwait. And also, the income from our community in Kuwait to our people in the occupied territories has been lost,'' he said.

''I think, in spite of that, we gained more than that. In the beginning, no one intended to listen to us when we were speaking about peace, but now, there is an international consensus for peace for our proposals, for our initiatives for peace.''

Some of the Plo's major contributors in the Gulf have suspended donations because of Arafat's apparent support for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Arafat made no mention of those losses, nor of the fact that Palestinians have expressed support for Saddam's tough behavior towards the United States and its allies.

But he was quick to say that although video footage of himself and Saddam made it look as if they were close friends, Arafat actually urged Saddam to work for peace.

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#90347d0990 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) - U.S. President George Bush said Thursday that Iraq would get nothing for releasing U.S. hostages and warned the United States

would put an end to the crisis "one way or another."

The president met with seven of the former hostages Thursday in order to hear their stories.

"Hell no, not one thing. You don't reward a kidnapper. You don't reward somebody who has done something he should have done in the first place," replied Mr Bush, when asked if he would respond to their release with a gesture of his own.

Since the Gulf crisis began, the president has sought to downplay the importance of the hostages in order to prevent their value to Iraq from growing.

He met with the former hostages shortly after 96 U.S. nationals, including Ambassador to Kuwait Nathaniel Howell and four diplomats posted there, left Iraq Thursday.

They are the last group of Americans who wanted to leave Iraq and Kuwait.

Asked how the United States planned to end the crisis, Mr. Bush said only, "One way or another we will."

Most of the 3,000 Western and Japanese hostages held since the August 2 invasion of Kuwait returned home following President Saddam Hussein's call for their release.

Around 600 Westerners, mostly Americans, have decided to stay behind for family or professional reasons.

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#90347d1170 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) - The World Bank Thursday announced a 304 million dollar loan to Colombia to finance reforms of bureaucracy aimed at encouraging free enterprise.

At the same time, the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) unveiled a 90 million dollar package to finance rural development programs and help small businesses in Colombia.

The World Bank loan will be used to finance such reforms as elimination of state monopolies and adoption of measures to foster economic competition, the bank said.

The Colombian Government will establish a performance, planning and evaluation system to be applied initially to the Colombian state oil and telecommunications companies and then to the majority of the state companies

and institutes.

At the same time, the government will foster private sector investments in railroads, ports, shipping, low-cost housing, agricultural marketing, industry and finance.

The World Bank loan will be made in three tranches of 100 million dollar each over a period of two years. The remaining four million dollars will be used to finance a technical assistance program.

The IDB, meanwhile, extended a 75-million-dollar loan for increasing productivity and improving living conditions for some 280,000 small farmers in about 9,000 communities.

The bank approved a 14 million dollar loan to finance a loan and financial assistance program for small Colombian businessmen. A technical assistance program worth one million dollars will be used to help participating businesses increase productivity and competitiveness, the bank said.

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#90347d1180 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (DEC. 13) - Iran will not take part in a war against Iraq, and Teheran opposes "any geographic change in the region," Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati said here Thursday.

Mr. Velayati, speaking at the end of a 36-hour visit to Turkey, said Iran "respected the territorial integrity of Iraq" and would "under no circumstances take part in a war against Iraq."

The Iranian foreign minister said that the security of the Gulf "should be controlled by the countries of the region," which he said should be free of all chemical and nuclear weapons.

Mr. Velayati said both Turkey and Iran were respecting the U.N. Security Council's embargo of Iraq. He added that some smugglers had been arrested along Turkey's and Iran's borders with Iraq.

A U.S.-led 350,000-strong multinational force has been deployed in Saudi Arabia and other Gulf nations since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

The U.N. Security Council has given Iraq until January 15 to withdraw its troops from the emirate, after which force could be used to dislodge it.

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#90347d1400 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) - U.S. Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney and General

Colin Powell, chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, will travel to Saudi Arabia next week to inspect U.S. troops and meet with Saudi leaders, the Pentagon said Thursday.

The Defense Department said two men would be in Saudi Arabia from December 18 to 23, but declined to give any other information about the trip.

Also Thursday, the Air Force said that the F-16 fighter planes expected by the 50th Tactical Squadron based in Germany and A-10 tanks from the 10th Tactical Squadron based in Britain would arrive in January to reinforce troops already in the region.

The Defense Department has refused to say how many additional combat jets have been deployed in the Gulf to back up reinforcements announced last month by President George Bush.

Experts have estimated that at least 300 aircraft are in the Gulf, along with 10,000 troops with the U.S. Air Force.

The U.S. Navy has said it has mobilized 2,388 reservists, mostly medical personnel. Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said their deployment was going on as anticipated.

For strategic reasons, he has declined to reveal the number of hospital beds available in the region in the case of a conflict.

Also Thursday, the Red Cross announced that it would be joining with the American Association of Blood Banks to send 176 liters (375 pints) of blood to the Gulf weekly, to be used to treat U.S. troops.

If fighting breaks out, the two organizations may be asked to provide up to 376 (800 pints) of blood daily, authorities said.

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#90347d1420 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHERINE, Australia (DEC. 14) - Six people, two of them children, died on an outback highway near here when their bus collided with a semi-trailer and burst into flames Friday, police said.

Nine people, including three children, were admitted to hospital in this tourist town of 7,500 people in Australia's Northern Territory.

Local sources said the police accident investigation unit from Darwin 300 kilometres (175 miles) away had flown to the accident site and sealed off a section of the Stuart Highway.

Four of the injured were trapped in the wreckage for more than two hours after

the accident, which took place early Friday about 20 kilometres (12 miles) north of the town.

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#90347d1530 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PANAMA CITY (DEC. 13) - Panamanian police fought with hundreds of workers who had occupied the Panamanian Congress Thursday in a bid to remove the demonstrators from the building, eyewitnesses said.

Some 100 police used water cannon and tear gas to oust the workers from the congressional building, which they occupied Thursday morning shouting slogans such as,"You are workers and only care about rich Panamanians."

After being ejected from the building at about 5 p.m. local time (2200 GMT), the workers set four cars afire.

"It's a big demonstration, there are 10,000 people and they're in a belligerent mood," a policeman said.

It was not immediately known if there were any injuries.

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#90347d1570 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (DEC. 14) - Anti-whaling campaigners hurled themselves from a helicopter into the bow-wave of a Japanese factory ship in an attempt to block its progress through the Tasman Sea, Greenpeace said Friday.

In a statement received here from the Greenpeace vessel Gondwana, campaign coordinator Vicki Getz said: "We're here to stop what the Japanese call scientific whaling but most of the rest of the world knows is commercial whaling."

Two teams of Greenpeace activists jumped from a helicopter in front of the 23,000-ton Nisshin Maru 3 about 650 kilometres (400 miles) off the east coast of Australia, Ms. Getz said.

"The activists were washed through the bow wave towards the stern of the factory ship and, once clear of the propellors, were picked up by Greenpeace inflatables and returned to the bow of the Japanese vessel to jump again."

The Nisshin Maru 3 responded to appeals from the Gondwana to stop its engines during the first two jumps, the statement said, but "as the protest continued over the next five hours... (it) made no further effort to cut its speed."

The Gondwana sighted the Nisshin Maru 3 on Wednesday on its way towards Antarctica to hunt 300 minke whales despite a ban on commercial whaling imposed

by the International Whaling Commission in 1985, the statement said.

Japan claims that its taking of whales is for scientific and not commercial purposes.

Greenpeace said that it was demanding that the Cetacean Research Institute (CRI) in Tokyo recall the factory ship and its three accompanying catchers.

"The slaughter last year resulted in little or no scientific data but brought over 13 million dollars to the CRI and even more to Japan's commercial whale meat market," Ms. Getz said.

"If our demands are not met here in the Tasman, we will follow the fleet to the Antarctic into the whaling grounds."

The fleet is expected to reach the grounds in the Southern Ocean within eight days, the statement concluded.

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#90347d1620 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PONGRO, Cambodia (DEC. 14) - Emergency aid has helped trigger a massive influx of displaced people to this camp near the battlefront in northwest Cambodia.

In early October, there were some 800 families in the camp just north of the provincial capital of Sisophon, according to aid workers.

By the end of November, that figure had soared to 2,600, putting enormous strain on infrastructure, particularly water supply, sewage disposal and housing.

The government says it is aware of the problems facing Pongro, situated in Beantey Meanchey province where the annual rice harvest will not meet local needs and which has called on aid agencies for help.

Children fly kites and livestock graze by flimsy thatch homes at the sprawling camp, whose five wells are inadequate, according to residents.

"Security is sufficient," said Kim Loeuy, a 27-year-old mother of six, "but we lack food."

Dith Tol, 31, a farmer who is blind, said his children were missing out on education because the camp school was full.

Doctors and officials here say the population increase cannot simply be put down to fighting between government forces and resistance guerrillas, which has been low key in recent months.

The alarming growth of Pongro, they said, coincided with a distribution in early October of emergency shelter kits.

One source linked to the operation said 800 kits -- one for each family of roughly five people -- were distributed here from September 30 to October 3 and another 365 were given out on November 5.

The kits were funded and put together by a consortium of non-governmental organisations and distributed through the Cambodian Red Cross.

For people who had fled the fighting in the north and northwest and managed to survive for a year without aid, the kits were "always welcome, if not immediately needed," a Western source said.

But the aid created a "pull effect" and displaced persons scattered in villages began to flock to Pongro, he said.

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#90347d1650 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, (DEC 14) - Levitt Group chairman Roger Levitt was arrested and charged Thursday with two counts of theft, police here said.

Mr. Levitt was arrested at his home in north London while fraud squad officers searched his bankupt financial services company, leaving with a number of company documents.

Mr. Levitt was charged with stealing 400,000 pounds (760,000 dollars) from one client and 265,000 pounds (503,500 dollars) from another since 1986, police said.

The group, which managed millions of pounds for its 18,000 clients, was placed in liquidation on Tuesday after major City shareholders refused to continue to support it.

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#90347d1660 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE, (DEC 14) - The Albanian army was called in on Thursday to quell unrest by "hooligans without any political aims" in the northern town of Shkoder after three law-enforcement officers were injured, radio Tirana reported.

The unrest came as calm had returned to Tirana, the Albanian capital, after students led demonstrations for four days in a row. On Tuesday President Ramiz Alia announced that opposition political parties would be allowed.

They are to be permitted to compete for the first time in legislative elctions scheduled for February.

In a broadcast monitored by Britain's BBC radio, Radio Tirana said a mob threw stones "and whatever else they could find" at adjoining party and government buildings in the city.

The mob used "knives and iron bars to wound the district police chief, another officer and a policeman" and "used fire and dynamite to destroy different buildings."

The army and the police were brought in and dispersed the riot without firing a shot, Tirana radio continued.

The radio added that the "citizens of Skhoder, workers, communists and other working people" took to the streets to oppose the protestors.

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#90347d1690 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA, (DEC 14) - The World Health Organization on Thursday said it would not be attending an international conference on AIDS in Bangkok next week because of Thai restrictions on granting visas to AIDS sufferers.

In a statement issued at its headquarters here, WHO said a Thai ministerial order prohibited the delivery of visas for short-term stays to people afflicted with AIDS.

WHO has asked Thai authorities to change the order to allow AIDS victims and people infected with the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) to take part in the congress, which begins on Monday.

The WHO director general has asked WHO members states to review AIDS-related policies and legislation to eliminate discrimination against people infected with HIV or suffering from AIDS.

The WHO statement said discriminatory legislation had proved ineffective and sometimes even counter-productive in preventing the spread of AIDS.

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#90347d5680 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (DEC. 13) - Indonesia Thursday received 181.6 billion yen (1.2 billion dollars) in new soft loans from Japan as part of the Tokyo's aid commitments for this year, the foreign ministry here said.

The latest aid comprised 500 million dollars in un-tied cash loans to help Indonesia strengthen its balance of payments position and 700 million dollars

in project-related credits, the ministry said in a statement.

Diplomatic notes for the aid were signed by Foreign Minister Ali Alatas and Japan's Ambassador to Indonesia Michihiko Kunihiro, it added.

The loans, part of a 1.8 billion dollar aid package pledged to Indonesia this year, carry a 2.5 per cent annual interest rate and are repayable in 30 years, with a 10-year grace period, the statement said.

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#90347d5840 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 13) - Japan's trade surplus shrank 35.6 per cent from a year earlier to 2.27 billion dollars in November, the Finance Ministry said in a preliminary report Thursday.

Exports jumped 16.3 per cent to 25.69 billion dollars, while imports soared 26.2 per cent to 23.42 billion dollars, the report said.

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#90347d5930 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) - A failing California savings and loan filed a six-billion-dollar lawsuit Wednesday against convicted Wall Street wizard Michael Milken, accusing him of fraudulently peddling junk bonds in the 1980s.

The lawsuit also named nine other former officials of Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. -- the company Mr. Milken made into a junk-bond powerhouse which later collapsed -- and more than 100 investment parternships sponsored by Drexel.

Columbia Savings and Loan Association, a former major Drexel customer, claims Mr. Milken and others manipulated and coerced it and other thrifts into buying billions of dollars' worth of the high-risk, high-yield bonds.

Columbia, which had a junk-bond portfolio valued at more than four billion dollars last year, says it lost more than two billion dollars on investments in the risky bonds after being promised the market for the bonds would remain active.

A statement by a spokesman for Mr. Milken said Columbia was an independent institution that made its own investment decisions, many times in disagreement with Mr. Milken.

"It is outrageous now to blame Michael Milken for losses as a result of strategies and decisions that were implemented long after he was no longer active at Drexel Burnham Lambert, and which he did not endorse or agree with," the statement said.

Last month, Mr. Milken was sentenced to 10 years in prison for six felonies related to illegal trading practices, but none of the charges involved junk bonds.

The Columbia lawsuit is one of several other civil complaints against Mr. Milken related to his financial activities at Drexel.

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#90347d5990 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (DEC. 13) - The Australian government was under intense pressure Thursday to slash interest rates further following the release of what it conceded were "a very grim set of figures" on soaring unemployment.

The figures, the worst for seven years, were especially bleak for tens of thousands of school leavers about to enter a depressed job market.

The Bureau of Statistics figures revealed the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate had climbed from 7.6 per cent in October to 8.2 per cent in November, reflecting the most pessimistic economic forecasts.

Another 48,100 people joined the dole queues in November raising the total to 698,100 compared to 650,000 in October and 495,500 a year earlier.

Men in full time jobs were worst affected, with 25,700 losing work.

The figures were released 24 hours after a survey by the Australian Chamber of Manufactures and the State Bank of New South Wales concluded that unemployment would reach nine per cent next year. Some analysts say this figure will be easily exceeded.

Even Industry Minister John Button refused Thursday to rule out unemployment of 10 per cent and said his ministerial colleagues believed the "downturn is likely to be a little more protracted than originally thought."

The Confederation of Australian Industry urged the government to bring down interest rates, defer business tax payments and scrap proposed wage increases.

Its chief executive Ian Spicer described the latest job figures as "frightening" and said it was now likely that unemployment would pass 10 per cent in the first half of next year.

Equity and credit market economists also said the figures justified another monetary policy easing before the end of 1990.

However, some reports suggest that the Reserve Bank and Treasurer Paul Keating have already agreed to cut interest rates for the sixth time this year to try to boost the economy.

Employment Minister John Dawkins described the unemployment results as "a very grim set of figures", which reflected the economic downturn.

Mr. Dawkins predicted November would not be the last month in which a decline in employment or a rise in unemployment would occur. He told journalists that a very rapid decline in the number of jobs was not entirely unexpected by the government.

"There are no indications there is going to be an upturn in the next month or two," he said.

The latest figures co-incided with another indicator of deepening recession -- retail trade figures showing a 1.3 per cent fall in trade between September and October.

Financial markets have been expecting a cut in interest rates by up to one per cent since the release on November 29 of statistics showing the economy to be technically in recession.

Gross domestic product fell by 1.6 per cent for the September quarter following a 0.4 per cent fall in the June quarter.

The figures showed that the depressed industrial state of Victoria suffered the fastest rise in unemployment -- to 8.4 per cent in November from 4.6 per cent in January.

The neighbouring industrial state of New South Wales remained well below the national average despite a rise in unemployment to 7.1 per cent in November from 6.7 per cent the previous month.

BankAmerica economist Russell Maddox said the employment figures put the government "under immense pressure to cut rates".

Shadow Treasurer Peter Reith said the latest job figures "record in cold hard statistics the suffering imposed on Australians by the government's inaction in turning around Australia's fundamental economic problems."

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#90347d6030 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 13) - Five more bodies have been found in Tokoza black township east of Johannesburg, bringing the death toll from faction clashes there on Tuesday to 70, police said Thursday.

In a statement, police said the bodies were found on Wednesday. The township was quiet Thursday and no further deaths had been reported since police and military reinforcements were sent in on Tuesday night, the statement added.

Fighting, primarily between Xhosa squatters in Tokoza's Phola Park camp and Zulus from nearby hostels, has seen more than 143 people killed in the past two weeks despite a curfew clamped on the township 10 days ago.

Zulu leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi and black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela, Deputy President of the African National Congress (ANC), separately toured the township on Wednesday to call for peace.

But Mr. Mandela and a party of high-profile diplomats and clerics were chased from a Zulu hostel by a hostile crowd of armed men and women chanting "Away Mandela" and bearing placards blaming the ANC for the violence.

Most of the Xhosas in Phola Park align themselves with the ANC.

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#90347d6090 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSAKA, JAPAN (DEC. 12) - Hungary is seeking capital participation by Takeda Chemical Industries Ltd., a leading Japanese pharmaceutical company, in the Budapest-based Gedeon Richter Ltd., Takeda officials said here Thursday.

Gedeon Richter is Hungary's largest pharmaceutical company and one of the 20 leading firms in the country to be privatized following the recent democratic revolution in Eastern Europe.

The Hungarian firm has asked Takeda to take on a 30 per cent equity interest or more, the officials said, but added that Takeda has not decided on the offer, they said.

In 1984, Takeda purchased sales rights from Gedeon Richter to market a medicine to treat strokes. It has also had business relationships with two other Hungarian drug makers.

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#90347d6100 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 13) - Mazda Motor Corp. said Thursday it has started developing a rotary engine car that runs on hydrogen instead of gasoline as fuel.

The hydrogen-powered cars emit neither nitrogen oxides nor carbon dioxide, a major source of air pollution in urban areas.

Mazda officials said the company aims to start commercial production of hydrogen rotary engines by the end of this century.

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#90347d6130 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 13) - Tens of thousands of tons of emergency food aid from abroad are held up in ports and railway stations while Soviet shops go empty, the communist party newspaper Pravda reported Thursday.

Meanwhile, the KGB has set up hundreds of operational groups to oversee the distribution of aid, and has even called on some of its retired personnel to cope with the increased workload, the head of the state security service Vladimir Kryuchkov said.

Amid fears that much of the aid would go missing - as happened in the case of disaster relief sent to Armenia after the 1988 earthquake - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has put the KGB in charge of overseeing the distribution.

"We have to bring back order everywhere," Mr. Kryuchkov told Pravda.

More than one million tonnes of goods had accumulated in sea ports on December 10 and about 7,000 railway wagons were waiting at border stations, KGB sources said.

Soldiers from the Belorussian military district, near the border with Poland, were helping the Brest railway centre cope with the incoming cargoes, while railway workers were receiving higher pay.

Authorities, however, were stocking much of the aid in warehouses, leaving it at risk of being pilfered, the KGB said.

Mr. Kryuchkov, underlining the absence of a distribution system, said that some regions were receiving a lot of aid, while others were receiving nothing.

Nikolai Gavryushin, head of the Soviet railway commercial traffic department, told Pravda newspaper Sunday that some 20,000 containers and 300 railway wagons loaded with consumer goods and industrial equipment were waiting to be unloaded at Moscow's freight stations.

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#90347d6250 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VIENNA (DEC. 13) - OPEC has decided to continue producing oil freely to replace embargoed Iraqi and Kuwaiti oil but has undertaken to re-introduce production quotas when the Gulf crisis ends, the Nigerian and Saudi Arabia oil ministers said at the end of a conference here on Thursday.

Saudi Arabian minister Hicham Nazer said that the August agreement by the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) remained in place.

This agreement authorised OPEC members to exceed their OPEC production ceilings in order to make good a supply shortfall caused by a United Nations

embargo against Iraq for invading Kuwait.

Under that agreement, OPEC members agreed to resume the application of quotas as soon as the crisis was brought to an end.

The Nigerian minister Jibril Aminu said that the OPEC ministers would next meet in March.

He said that he was very pleased with the agreement which should send an important signal to the market and show that OPEC was united and capable of organising itself and of continuing to supply the market with oil.

OPEC president Sadel Boussena was expected to give a press conference later in the morning.

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#90347d6320 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 13) - A senior Japanese trade official Thursday blamed the United States and the Cairns Group of agricultural exporters rather than the European Community (EC) for last week's suspension of trade talks in Brussels.

"Many participants felt that the United States and the Cairns Group were very, very rigid," said Noboru Hatakeyama, director general of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry's international trade policy bureau. "This perception was one of the reasons why the confrontation became so severe."

Mr. Hatakeyama told a news conference that the EC, whose rejection of a Swedish compromise on agriculture led to the suspension of the talks, made a major concession by agreeing to treat various aspects of farm trade separately.

"The EC moved this time," he said, noting that the "essence of the confrontation" between the two sides had been whether to consider export subsidies, internal supports and border measures separately or as a whole. "The EC seemed to me to agree to treat these three elements separately."

Mr. Hatakeyama also reiterated recent denials here that Japan had rejected the Swedish compromise along with South Korea and the 12-member community.

He attributed the confusion to a South American member of the 14-member Cairns Group. "Although the name of Japan was mentioned by this South American person Japan did not necessarily reject the agricultural proposal," he said.

The Cairns Group, named after the Australian city where it met in 1986, groups Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Fiji, Hungary,

Indonesia, Malaysia, New Zealand, the Philippines, Thailand and Uruguay.

Mr. Hatakeyama meanwhile hinted that following the suspension of last week's talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), Japan was considering relaxing its stance on imports of rice which are virtually banned.

"Even in the field of agriculture, fair concessions should be made by every country," he said.

Japan and South Korea were reportedly reluctant to support the Swedish compromise due to measures which required all countries to provide minimum market acccess of five per cent for all products whose imports are restricted.

The EC, on the other hand, opposed the pace of reduction of internal farm supports and subsidies on agricultural exports.

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#90347d6350 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 13) - A bomb blast, the seventh in a series aimed at U.S. targets damaged the front of a branch office of the beauty produts firm "New Cosmetics" here on Wednesday night police said Thursday.

It was the latest in a spate of attacks claimed by the leftist Gracchus Babeuf group since last year. A leaflet signed by the group was found outside the company offices in western Paris, police added.

The group last claimed responsibility for a bomb attack at the "European University of America" in Paris on December 3, saying the strike was to protest at the deployment of U.S. troops in the Gulf.

The movement draws its name from 18th century French revolutionary Francois Noel Babeuf, alias Gracchus.

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#90347d6370 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 13) - Paul McCartney, the former Beatle, was honored by the Guinness Book of Records here Wednesday night, at a celebration to mark the end of his 10-month world tour that broke six box office records and earned millions of pounds.

McCartney, now 48, topped the Guinness record for the largest solo concert in history for his performance before 184,000 people at Maracana stadium in Rio de Janeiro.

The previous record was held by Frank Sinatra, who had drawn 170,000 fans to the same stadium.

Mr. McCartney, whose world tour was named after one of the old Beatles' songs,

"The Long and Winding Road" and dedicated to environmental protection, also broke audience records at Wembley stadium in London, and in Arizona, California, Iowa and Texas.

The awards were given as Mr. McCartney, his wife Linda and some 600 guests celebrated the end of the tour at a London restaurant Wednesday night.

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#90347d6380 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, GERMANY (DEC. 13) - Consumer prices in what was formerly East Germany fell by 0.1 per cent in November compared with October, and prices were 1.9 per cent below the average level in 1989, the federal statistical office said here on Thursday.

The price of fuels fell by 12 per cent, but the price of food rose by 0.2 per cent, textiles 1.8 per cent, and medicines by 0.2 per cent.

Provisional official figures published on November 28 said that prices in what was West Germany had also fallen by 0.1 per cent in November.

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#90347d6390 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (DEC. 13) - Consumer prices in Sweden rose by 0.3 per cent in November compared with October, taking the increase during the 12 previous months to 11.5 per cent, and to 11.1 per cent so far this year, official figures showed on Thursday.

The biggest price increases affected food, cars, car repairs, shoes and books.

A fall in the price of oil and heating fuel had the effect of reducing consumer prices by 0.2 per cent in November.

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#90347d6440 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (DEC. 13) - The Soviet Union is to buy 100,000 tonnes of butter worth 200 million New Zealand dollars (120 million U.S), New Zealand Trade Negotiations Minister Philip Burdon said Thursday.

In a statement released here, Mr. Burdon said it was the biggest sale since the 1970s and the largest outside Britain for the New Zealand Dairy Board, a statutory exporting organisation of government and farmers.

It would make the Soviets the board's biggest customer this year, he added.

Early this week in Moscow, Mr. Burdon got the Soviet government to agree to

pay 135 million dollars (81 million dollars) owed to New Zealand wool and dairy exporters.

New Zealand's trade with the Soviet Union virtually stopped after a clampdown on further agricultural sales until there was an agreement to repay the debt.

Mr. Burdon said Moscow had agreed to give the board an irrevocable letter of credit from the central state bank guaranteeing settlement of the debt in two installments, with the first due early next year.

Before going to Moscow, Mr. Burdon refused to grant food aid to the Soviet Union and said Wellington could not underwrite exports.

Council of Wool Exporters chairman Michael Moss said settlement of the Soviet Union's 15 million dollar (nine million U.S.) debt to New Zealand wool exporters would clear the way for new sales to the Soviets.

Mr. Burdon said the butter sale was the best possible Christmas news for dairy farmers.

"We are very grateful to the Soviets for recognising that, despite their own very tough economic conditions, a continued trading relationship is of great benefit to both countries," he said.

It was gratifying to secure a guarantee that the outstanding debt would be repaid, he added.

He said trade officials in Geneva had been working closely with other dairy exporters since Mr. Burdon's Moscow visit to agree to an exception from the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) international dairy agreement minimum price.

The dispensation, necessary to finalise the sale, reflected the size of the deal, Mr. Burdon said.

The sale was a landmark as it had been achieved despite international market pressures and the prospect of food aid deliveries by other countries on "very soft terms".

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#90347d6530 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (DEC. 13) - German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Russian Prime Minister Ivan Silajew met here Thursday for talks on economic cooperation and easing a severe food shortage in the Soviet Union, officials said.

Mr. Silajew who heads the government of the Russian Federation, the biggest of the Soviet Union's 15 republics, was to meet with Foreign Minister

Hans-Dietrich Genscher and President Richard von Weizsaecker later on Thursday.

Germany has taken the lead in airlifting food and other relief items to the Soviet Union.

German authorities will send 145,000 tons of provisions from West Berlin's Cold War stocks worth 500 million Deutsche marks (330 million dollars) to the Soviet Union by February. Up to 200 tons are to be channeled to needy people daily.

Private donations have totaled several million marks (dollars).

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#90347d6570 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (DEC. 13) - The European Community (EC) should adopt the Deutschemark as its sole currency and the Bundesbank as its central bank, the influential daily newspaper Sueddeutsche Zeitung said in an editorial on Thursday.

The Munich-based paper said the day before key ministerial meetings for the future of the EC begin in Rome, said that acceptance of the mark would be the "easiest solution" and the one most likely to be successful.

It said: "If all the Europeans did like Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg, and linked their currencies to the mark, we could one day collect together all the national currencies and call the mark the Ecu, and the Bundesbank the central bank."

The paper said that the mark had been the "anchor" of the European Monetary System (EMS) since the EMS was created in 1979. "This anchor has held well because the EC countries have had to align themselves on the mark."

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#90347d6580 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 13) - French judge Gilles Boulouque, who was involved in several key anti-terrorist investigations, committed suicide late Wednesday, dying shortly after shooting himself in his Paris home, police said.

Investigators said they found no suicide note and the judge's motives were not immediately known. But they said they were certain it was suicide.

Well-informed sources said Mr. Boulouque, 40, had been having family problems and appeared very tired in recent weeks.

The young judge drew much attention for his part in investigating various terrorist attacks in France by Lebanese and pro-Iranian groups and the French guerrilla section of the Spanish Basque separatist organization, ETA.

He notably handled the investigation into several bloody terrorist bombings in 1986, and came under fire for his decision to allow Vahid Gordji, the number two man at the Iranian Embassy in Paris, to leave France in November, 1987, despite allegations implicating him in the attacks.

Mr. Boulouque was generally escorted by a heavily armed police squad, chauffered around Paris in an armored police vehicle, and carried his own high-caliber pistol.

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#90347d6590 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 13) - The French Thomson-CSF electronics company plans to cut its workforce of 38,000 people by 4,000 between 1991 and 1993 to cope with a difficult economic climate in the defence electronics industry and lost earnings caused by the Gulf crisis, the CFDT union said on Thursday.

The union said that the management was expected to announce the job cuts on Friday, having published a document within the company on Thursday which gave a bleak outlook for defence electronics.

This document said that defence electronics had entered a period of recession likely to last until 1995.

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#90347d6620 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 13) - Chinese Prime Minister Li Peng arrived here Thursday for a three-day official visit that has been clouded by reports that Philippines President Corazon Aquino intends to visit Taiwan.

Mrs. Aquino met Mr. Li at Manila airport, where the premier was given full military honors.

"China and the Philippines are friendly neighbors," Mr. Li said in a written statement distributed to the press on his arrival.

"The purpose of my current visit to your country is to promote our friendship, deepen our understanding, broaden our common vision and develop our cooperation," he said.

Philippine officials said Mrs. Aquino would assure Mr. Li of Manila's adherence to the one-China policy, which it adopted when it switched diplomatic recognition from Taipei to Beijing in 1975. The policy requires foreign countries to acknowledge Beijing's full sovereignty over China, including Taiwan.

Mr. Li's visit, the first by a Chinese leader since 1981, comes at a time of strained ties with Manila. Despite Beijing's repeated protests over Manila's contacts with Taipei, the Philippines has been turning to Taiwan for investment, trade, tourism, and jobs for Filipino workers.

A report from Taipei on Wednesday that Mrs. Aquino had accepted an invitation from tycoon Jeffrey Koo of the China Trust Co. to visit Taiwan has not helped.

Mr. Li was accompanied by Foreign Minister Qian Qichen, Minister-in-Charge of the Commission for Restructuring the Economic System Chen Jinhua, and three vice-ministers. He was also scheduled to see Vice President Salvador Laurel,

congressional leaders and about 100 members of the Filipino-Chinese community here before ending his visit Saturday.

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#90347d6650 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 13) - The dollar has steadied at around five French francs since the markets have known that the G7 group of leading industrialised countries is to meet, French Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy told a press conference on Thursday.

The meeting was vital, not because of the trend of the Deutschemark but because "of the trend of currencies since the Gulf crisis began", he said.

The meeting would take account of "the movements of the yen, the dollar and also of European currencies," he said.

"We will make a judgement on the level which we hold to be acceptable for all the currencies and then we will look at what will happen in each country".

He also said, referring to the French economy, that if oil prices continued to fall in December, "there is a chance of seeing a 1990 inflation rate at the same level as in 1989" of 3.6 per cent.

The increase in prices in November, due to be published on Friday, could be "satisfactory", he said. He declined to comment on reports that the figure might show an increase of 0.1 per cent, or even a fall.

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#90347d6660 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 13) - The Food and Agriculture Organisation on Thursday made an urgent appeal for famine relief for Ethiopia to avert widespread deaths.

Ethiopia, and particularly the northern provinces of Eritrea and Tigre, will need one million tons of grain in 1991 if famine is to be kept at bay, the

United Nations organisation said.

"With reserve stocks virtually depleted after last year's poor harvest in Eritrea and Tigre, widespread loss of life is inevitable unless further emergency relief and logistic support for its distribution are mobilised," the organisation said.

The famine had been caused by drought and by peristent "violence" in the north of the country. This was seen as a reference to a civil war between regular troop and rebels who are opposed to the government.

In most of the other regions of Ethiopia the harvest was about seven per cent above the annual average, the organisation said.

Two other provinces, Hararghe in the east and Wollo in the north, would also need food aid, the organisation said.

Several hundred thousand people who have fled civil war in the north of Somalia have taken refuge in Hararghe.

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#90347d6720 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 13) - Indian Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar said Thursday he was planning a new initiative to end the Sikh separatist campaign in the northern state of Punjab which has claimed more than 3,000 lives this year.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) quoted Mr. Shekhar as saying a decision on solving "the Punjab problem" would be taken within a week and he was hopeful it would yield "positive results".

No details were available of what was being contemplated by the premier, who was speaking to reporters in his northern hometown of Ballia.

Since Mr. Shekhar came to office on November 10, Punjab has seen an escalation of the violence blamed on Sikh separatists campaigning for an independent homeland which they call Khalistan.

Over the past 24 hours, seven more people are reported to have died in the Punjab violence.

Security forces shot two Sikh militants Thursday, while separatists shot and killed four civilians in separate attacks late Wednesday, PTI reported. One Sikh rebel died as the result of a factional dispute.

More than 3,230 people have been killed in Punjab political violence this year.

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AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND (DEC. 13) - Seven top officials of New Zealand's failed multinational merchant bank Equiticorp were arrested Thursday and charged with 14 counts of fraud, Television New Zealand (TVNZ) reported.

Serious Fraud Office (SFO) director Charles Sturt would not name those arrested, but TVNZ said late Thursday that Equiticorp founder and managing director Alan Hawkins was one of those charged.

The television showed Mr. Hawkins being driven into the police station.

The 14 charges relate to a total of 440 million New Zealand dollars (264 million dollars U.S) -- making it easily New Zealand's biggest ever fraud case and one of the biggest involving merchant banking in the world -- he said.

Further charges involving 60 million dollars (36 million dollars) are expected to be laid, TVNZ said.

The seven were released on bail after special High Court sittings and will appear in Auckland District Court Friday to face joint and individual charges of conspiracy to defraud and other fraud offences related to Equiticorp.

The arrests follow an eight-month SFO investigation, which is continuing, and more are expected, Mr. Sturt said.

The men were remanded in custody Thursday and refused bail by High Court Judge Justice James Sinclair.

On appeal, however, Justice Peter Tompkins overruled the decision and the men were released Thursday night.

Equiticorp was founded by Mr. Hawkins in 1984 as a merchant bank.

His major acquisitions in New Zealand included New Zealand Steel and white goods company Fisher and Paykel. He then moved to Australia, buying ACI Glass and a significant stake in BHP.

His most controversial acquisition was Britain's Guinness Peat company.

Equiticorp dived with the October 1987 sharemarket crash and Mr. Hawkins, whose family trusts controlled the bulk of the company, consolidated holdings in Equiticorp International based in Hong Kong.

In January 1989, Mr. Hawkins called in the liquidator. The New Zealand government then appointed a provisional receiver for Equiticorp, which at that time owned 99 companies.

Mr. Sturt at a press conference named Equiticorp as the company connected with the arrests "to avoid any unwarranted speculation or rumour" but would not name the individuals.

"I estimate the trial will take about nine months," he said.

Government-appointed statutory managers handling the collapse of the companies in the Equiticorp Group were unaware of Thursday's arrests until after they were made public.

Mr. Sturt said the managers had given support to SFO inquiries.

The statutory managers have filed a 564 million dollar (338 million dollars) writ against 17 individuals and firms connected with Equiticorp over share dealings and the sale of New Zealand Steel in 1988.

Named in that writ are Mr. Hawkins and the New Zealand attorney-general.

Being a civil case, it could take a back seat to the latest criminal charges. Mr. Sturt was reluctant to express a viewpoint on that matter.

The writ also names overseas parties.

"Equiticorp is very well known in Australia and has a strong presence in London," Mr. Sturt said.

"Agencies in those countries have been assisting us, and we are extremely pleased the way this has been expedited," he said.

He said there was no provision in New Zealand at the moment to try to retrieve any of the money cited in the charges. A bill concerning forfeiture of the proceeds of crime is now before Parliament.

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#90347d7060 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

THE HAGUE (DEC. 13) - The Netherlands is to give Portugal and Greece some of its military hardware scheduled to be destroyed under the recent Conventional Forces in Europe arms reduction agreement, the defence ministry said here Thursday.

Portugal will be given 170 Leopard-I tanks while Greece will get about 100 armoured vehicles, the ministry said.

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#90347d7210 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (DEC. 13) - The German central Bundesbank on Thursday left its key

interest rates unchanged, bank sources said after the fortnightly meeting of the governing committee.

The discount rate remains at six per cent and the Lombard rate at 8.5 per cent.

The bank set a target range for M3 money suply in 1991 at between four per cent and six per cent, bank president Karl-Otto Poehl said.

The M3 calculation covers money in circulation, short-term deposits and deposits made for up to four years.

The target for 1990 was a range from four per cent to six per cent.

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#90347d7220 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (DEC. 13) - The German Bundesbank entered new territory on Thursday setting a money supply target for all of Germany.

In what it said was a continuation of its previous policy, the bank targeted a rise in the money supply of between 4 and 6 per cent, the same as that which had been set for the final quarter of 1990.

The target was set for the ''M 3'' supply, which includes cash in circulation, sight deposits, savings accounts and fixed deposits.

The Bundesbank said it would be closely monitoring the current signs of danger to price stability in Germany and would act accordingly.

The money supply in eastern Germany, where the Deutschmark was introduced as the legal currency last July 1 in advance of German unification, is estimated to be about ten per cent of that in western Germany, according to bank data.

Finance sector analysts note that the Bundesbank in setting the money supply target for all of Germany was entering uncharted waters, since the spending and savings habits of people in eastern Germany were still not completely known.

Other factors complicating the calculations include the rise of unemployment in eastern Germany, with its as yet unforeseeable effects on spending and savings habits there and the continuing problems in payment transfers, the analysts say.

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#90347d7780 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Baghdad (DEC. 13) - The Iraqi Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation has launched numerous measures aimed at boosting the country's agricultural production and foiling the international economic embargo against Iraq, Ina

news agency reported here.

The agency quoted a report published Thursday by the Baghdad Observer saying that President Saddam Hussein, who was heading the drive, ''has ordered an increase in the price of wheat, barley, rice and corn purchased by the government from farmers.''

A campaign had been launched ''to cut down Iraq's imports of agricultural products and attain self-sufficiency in basic crops.'' Farmers had been given incentives to expand their production to boost the country's national output.

Ina added that ''the government has encouraged farmers to increase production of cereals. Facilities other than financial funds have included seeds, pesticides, fertilisers and planting and harvesting machines.''

The government had adopted a number of measures to encourage rice planting, to distribute raw materials for poultry projects, and to examine and diagnose animal diseases at an early stage.

More than 233,512 plots of arable land owned by the government had been leased to private farmers, and the state had reclaimed lost areas of land through several irrigation projects, including the giant drainage system of al-Massab al-Aam, the report noted.

According to the ministry's statistics, 518,000 tonnes of fertilisers, about 155,000 tonnes of wheat, and 39,000 tones of barley had been allocated by the ministry for the winter planting.

The ministry had also launched campaigns and despatched teams to remote villages in the country to encourage people working in agriculture to use scientific and modern methods of cultivation, Ina said.

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#90347d7880 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 13) - China is in favor of a United Nations-sponsored international peace conference on the Middle East at an early date, foreign ministry spokesman Li Zhaoxing said Thursday.

Mr. Li told a weekly press briefing that such a meeting would represent "an effort to seek a fair and reasonable settlement of the Middle East question through political means."

It would be attended by all five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, including China, as well as "all parties concerned in the region," Mr. Li said.

He did not specify what China would like to see on the agenda, or whether such

a conference should link Iraq's invasion of Kuwait to the Israeli-occupied West Bank issue.

China has condemned Israel's presence in the West Bank, while demanding the immediate withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

"It is our hope that the U.N. secretary general will continue to strengthen his co-ordination with all parties concerned so as to promote the holding of an international peace conference at an early date," Mr. Li said.

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#90347d7960 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Tel Aviv (DEC. 13) - Israeli Agriculture Minister Rafael Eitan is only days away from declaring a full-scale water emergency which will mean an automatic cut of 25 per cent in irrigation quotas afforded the nations farmers, it was reported Thursday.

Israel's water supply has been severely affected by the current drought caused by the months-long delay in the start of the annual winter rains.

According to the Jerusalem Post newspaper, the current winter has been the hottest and driest for 70 years with December temperatures up 7 degrees centigrade from the yearly average.

In addition to restricting the nation's farmers, Eitan's expected decrees will also ban the watering of private gardens and public parks.

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#90347d8200 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Strasbourg (DEC. 13) - The European Parliament approved here Thursday the 1991 budget of the European Community targeted for a 19 per cent hike in spending, the strongest rise in the E.C.'s history.

Commenting on the 55.5 billion European Currency Units (77 billion dollars) spending plan, the parliament's budget committee spokesman Alain Lamassoure noted that 54 per cent of the spending will go into the agricultural sector.

The spending increase over 1990 expenditures is accounted for by extra funds for the five new states of eastern Germany (the former East Germany) as well as for aid to be provided Jordan, Egypt and Turkey, the countries mainly affected by the Gulf crisis.

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#90347d8320 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (DEC. 13) - Personal indebtedness in western Germany rose 10.6 per

cent in the 1983-9 period, to average 11,280 Deutsche marks (7,621 dollars) per household, partly because of greater use of credit cards, the federal statistics office said Thursday.

The number of households in the red also rose nearly a fifth, to affect 19.7 per cent of the total, the agency's president, Egon Hoelder, said.

He estimated the private savings of 61 million west Germans, at the start of 1989, at 634 billion marks (434.4 billion dollars).

But this was very unevenly distributed, he said: 14.5 per cent of households had assets of less than 2,500 marks (1,689 dollars), representing just 0.5 per cent of the total.

By comparison, 1.2 per cent had more than 200,000 marks (135,135 dollars), and possessed 13.4 per cent of the total, he said.

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#90347d8360 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (DEC. 13) - Poland's foreign debt load is expected to rise by a further 3.8 billion dollars to reach 49.9 billion dollars by the end of the year, Central Planning Office director Jerzy Osiatynski said here Thursday.

Presenting parliament with a budget draft for 1991, Osiatynski said there was a ''major chance'' that an agreement could be reached with Warsaw's creditors to adapt the debt obligations to Poland's economic situation.

He said Warsaw hoped for both that some of its debt would be forgiven and the rest put under a long-term rescheduling so that the service costs would be reduced to about two per cent of the nominal value of the debt.

Osiatynski said that in 1990, Poland expected to achieve a 4.5 billion dollar surplus in foreign trade, amid an 8.4 per cent rise in exports and 28.9 per cent slashing of imports.

But in 1991, amid the restructuring of trade going on among the East European nations, Poland will likely suffer a trade deficit of around one billion dollars.

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#90347d8420 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (DEC. 13) - South Africa's Reserve (Central) Bank said on Thursday it expected poor growth prospects for the country in 1991, especially in the light of higher crude oil prices.

The bank said in its quarterly economic review released here Thursday that the

country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is expected to be one per cent lower in the 1990 calendar year than in 1989, following a decline in the GDP for the fourth consecutive quarter.

In November, Finance Minister Barend du Plessis also warned that 1991 would be a "very difficult year" for the economy.

Further shrinkage of aggregate real output in the third quarter of 1990 was mainly due to a drop in agricultural output and a decline in real output in the manufacturing and construction sectors.

In the manufacturing industry, industrial action, worker intimidation and strikes were a factor which contributed to the decline in output, the review said.

In October this year, industrial relations experts predicted that some four million man-days will have been lost by the end of the year through strikes.

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#90347d8520 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENNA (DEC. 13) - Austria is pressing strongly for the closure of a nuclear power station at Bohunice in Czechoslovakia, Chancellor Franz Vranitzky said here on Thursday after Austrian experts reported that it was "unsafe".

An Austrian delegation was to go to Prague on Friday to press for closure of the plant which is situated 100 kilometres (62 miles) from Vienna and is based on a Soviet VVER 230 and 213 design.

The head of the Austrian commission of experts, nuclear physics Professor Manfred Heindler, reported that the safety arrangements had dramatically weak points, and that "the effects of an accident could also affect Austria".

He was particularly critical of the lack of an emergency cooling system, of protection against fire, and of a back-up safety system.

The measures to protect against earthquakes were inadequate, he said.

In the event of an accident, the spread of radioactivity could not be prevented. Under certain unfavourable weather conditions, parts of Austria would have to be evacuated.

The Austrian economy ministry meanwhile studied ways of providing Czechoslovakia with free electricity, the chancellor siad.

Austria will also provide energy-saving know-how to Czechoslovakia.

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#90347d8760 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 13) - The three alleged members of the Irish Republican Army arrested in Belgium on December 5 are unlikey to be released next Tuesday, the Antwerp court said Thursday.

The three suspects could theoretically be released at their court appearance next Tuesday because of a procedural error. Belgian law on preventive detention stipulates that the defence lawyer must have access to the defendants' file 24 hours before they appear in court.

But the lawyer for Gerry Roach, Ciaran McCarthy and John Daly was only given access to their files a few hours before they appeared in court on December 10.

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#90347d9070 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 13) - Agriculture minister Louis Mermaz said Thursday that France opposes extension of an agreement on corn (maize) between the European Community (EC) and the United States, non-renewal of which would risk triggering another trade conflict between the two sides.

An informed source in Brussels said on Wednesday that the community might agree to extend the accord for one year.

The issue should be discussed in Brussels on Friday by EC agriculture commissioner Ray MacSharry and U.S. agriculture secretary Clayton Yeutter.

On Wednesday, the EC Commission authorized Mr. MacSharry to treat the issue flexibly, and to agree, under certain conditions, to a one-year extension of the favorable treatment given to U.S. corn under the existing agreement, the source said.

But "I'm against it", Mr. Mermaz told a news conference here, adding that he had written to Mr. MacSharry to inform him of French opposition.

He said, however, that the community could make some concessions "to our American friends" by extending the accord for six months, to the end of the

next June. But he added that such extension would not have much practical effect,
 since the American harvest comes in September.

The agreement authorizes the United States to export two million tonnes of corn and 300,000 tonnes of sorghum at lower tariff rates to Spain and Portugal annually. The agreement was made in 1987 to compensate U.S. losses in connection with Spanish and Portuguese membership in the EC, and it expires at the end of this year.

Mr. Mermaz said it would be illogical for the EC to subsidize French corn exorts to third world countries when U.S. corn could come into some EC countries virtually duty-free.

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#90347d9090 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (DEC. 13) - The German government may impose an annual motorway toll of 100 Deutsche marks (67.50 dollars) per car to help pay for German unity, a coalition member said Thursday.

Wolfgang Boetsch, parliamentary leader of the Christian Social Union (CSU), said the fee was discussed, but not decided, during negotiations Wednesday between the coalition parties over the future government programme.

It would increase government revenue by between four billion and five billion Deutsche marks (2.7 bn to 3.37 bn dollars) a year, Mr. Boetsch said in an interview on German television.

He defended the tax as a contribution towards the huge investment needed to rebuild the road network in eastern Germany.

While opposing the idea of new "taxes" to pay for unity, Chancellor Helmut Kohl alluded to the idea of a motorway toll and other new consumer fees in the runup towards the December 2 general elections.

He set off a squabble with the Free Democratic Party (FPD), the liberal group that is in coalition with the CSU and Mr. Kohl's Christian Democratic Union (CDU).

The FDP said it was against any addition to the fiscal burden.

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#90347d9180 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (DEC. 13) - More food assistance than ever will be needed worldwide next year, a World Food Program official said here Thursday.

According to conservative estimates, four million tons of food are needed to help victims of drought, refugees and displaced persons. Some 3.2 million tons alone will go to black African countries with 14 million needy people.

Also on Thursday, the United Nations' Food and Agriculture Organisation (Fao) launched an appeal for one million tons food for Ethiopia where four million people are threatened with starvation in the northern provinces Eritrea and Tigray, devastated by civil war and drought.

Similarly, the Fao has asked for one million tons of food for Sudan.

World Food Programme Director James Ingram strongly urged donor countries to make preliminary aid pledges now so that the food assistance would be available during the first half of 1991.

''People affected by drought, war and pestilence in the developing world rely totally on the international community for their food,'' Ingram said. ''Without it they will die.''

In Liberia, where civil war has raged for a year, about 200,000 tons of food would be needed for displaced persons in the country as well as in neighbouring Sierra Leone, Guinea and Ivory Coast, Ingram said.

In Angola, 1.9 million people had been plunged into misery by war and drought, while three million needed assistance in Mozambique and neighbouring countries. He said Afghan refugees in Pakistan and Iran required 500,000 tons of food.

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#90347d9190 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 13) - French economics and finance minister Pierre Beregovoy said Thursday, one day before release of price data for November, that the index for the month should be "satisfactory", and that inflation for 1990 as a whole might be the same as last year: 3.6 per cent.

He refused to comment on estimates published in the press that November inflation should be a mere 0.1 per cent at the worst, and that it could even be negative.

He explained his optimism on the price front by the general downtrend of oil prices. "If, as expected, the prices of fuels decline in December, as in November, we have a reasonable chance for 1990 inflation to be at the same level as in 1989".

Fuels account for 8.7 per cent of the price index, and oil products alone for about five per cent.

Asked about the measure voted on Wednesday by Parliament to exclude tobacco products from the price index starting on January 1, 1992, the minister said "that initiative did not come from the government." He said the institute could publish "one index without tobacco and another one with tobacco".

In its latest note on business conditions, INSEE forecasts inflation of 3.7 per cent for this year, against its prediction of 3.1 per cent made before the start of the Gulf crisis on August 2.

Mr. Beregovoy said that a 3.6 per cent showing would mean that "We have won the battle against inflation", and that "the economy is perfectly sound" - a fact that should strengthen "consolidation of the franc and encourage investment.

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#90347d9300 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 13) - South Korean President Roh Tae-Woo arrived here Thursday on a trail-blazing four-day visit, saying it marked the end of the Cold War between the two countries.

"My visit to the Soviet Union is proof that our two countries have closed the chapter on the Cold War and opened a new era of peace and cooperation," Mr. Roh said in a statement on arrival at Moscow's Sheremetyevo airport.

The South Korean president, his wife, Kim Ok-Soo, and a 16-member delegation were met by Vadim Medvedev, a member of the Soviet presidential council, and other Soviet officials, Tass news agency reported.

Mr. Roh and his wife were later officially welcomed by Mr. Gorbachev and his wife, Raisa, at the Kremlin's St. George's Hall, Tass said. The two presidents had a brief conversation, the agency added.

Mr. Roh is due to have a second meeting with Mr. Gorbachev on Friday.

In his arrival statement, Mr. Roh said "the development of Soviet-Korean relations will greatly contribute to the lessening of tensions on the Korean peninsula and to the strengthening of peace in the Pacific-Asia region."

The visit would also help "speed up peaceful reunification of north and south Korea," he said.

"The Soviet Union with her enormous potential and the Republic of Korea with her vibrant energy for development will open a new page of history as partners for peace and prosperity of the Asia-Pacific," the president said.

The visit here, the first by a South Korean president, comes three months after the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries and 40 years after the outbreak of the Korean war.

The South Korean leader is scheduled to make a speech at Moscow University on Friday and tour Leningrad on Saturday before returning home on Monday.

Accompanying Mr. Roh are Foreign Minister Choi Ho-Joong, Trade and Industry Minister Park Pil-Soo and Science and Technology Minister Kim Jin-Hyun, as well as several business leaders.

Among the South Korean industrialists in the delegation are the founder of the Hyundai Group, Chung Ju-Yung, the most active investor in various development projects in Soviet Siberia, and Lee Kun-Hee, the chairman of Samsung, one of the largest South Korean business conglomerates.

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#90347d9380 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 13) - British Prime Minister John Major said here Thursday he would argue for a joint statement stressing the need for the successful completion of the stalled GATT negotiations at the European Community summit in Rome.

Speaking in the House of Commons shortly before departing for the EC summit, Mr. Major said he wanted to see "a very positive statement from the European Council which makes absolutely clear the Community's determination to make a success of the GATT negotiations."

He said risk of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) talks failing was "very great" Britain and many other countries and added it was "extremely imporant" that the talks be brought to a successful conclusion.

The latest round of GATT negotiations involving more than 100 countries broke down in acrimony earlier this month with the United States and several other countries sharply at odds with the EC over Community farm subsidy policies.

"A great deal of the growing prosperity in recent years has clearly been the result of the steady removal of barriers to trade -- we wish that to continue," Mr. Major said.

But in a gesture to his EC partners, Mr. Major, attending his first Community summit as head of government, said he wanted to protect not only British interests "but to look at the interests of Europe as a whole."

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#90347d9440 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

London (DEC. 13) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,281.00 (1,301.00) 1,293.50 (1,306.50)
Lead 321.50 (315.50) 332.50 (325.25)
Zinc Sh 1,241.50 (1,321.50) 1,268.50 (1,290.50)
Tin 5,710.50 (5,747.50) 5,787.50 (5,815.00)
Aluminium 1,522.00 (1,513.00) 1,556.50 (1,550.50)
Nickel 7,937.50 (8,087.50) 7,937.50 (8,005.00)

(the last three in dollars per ton)

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#90347d9590 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 13) - India and the Soviet Union finalized a bilateral trade plan on Thursday with a turnover of 5.227 billion dollars both ways for 1991, an official announcement here said.

A protocol signed between the two sides here envisaged Indian imports worth 2.405 billion dollars from the Soviet Union and exports valued at 2.822 billion dollars next year.

The new trade plan would represent a seven per cent growth over that fixed for 1990 and a 12 percent rise over the actual trade turnover achieved this year, an official release said.

The protocol was signed by Soviet deputy foreign trade minister V.F. Mordvinov and Indian commerce ministry secretary S.P. Shukla.

A major Indian import would be crude oil, which the Soviet Union had agreed to maintain at the existing supply level of 4.5 million tonnes a year.

Other major shipments to the Soviet Union will be chemicals and leather, engineering and textile goods, the release said.

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#90347d9640 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 13) - China has praised deceased American industrialist and philanthropist Armand Hammer for his contribution to improved relations between Beijing and Washington, national television said Thursday.

A telegram of condolence from President Yang Shangkun and Premier Li Peng said Mr. Hammer, who died Monday aged 92, had made numerous visits to China and had contributed to "the promotion of economic cooperation and cultural exchanges" between the two countries, the station reported.

The telegram went on to say Mr. Hammer "was an old and respected friend of China."

The telegram was sent Wednesday to Ray Irani, the new president of Mr. Hammer's Occidental Petroleum Corp., by China's consul general in Los Angeles, Ma Yuzhen.

The television said senior leader Deng Xiaoping, who had met Mr. Hammer, and party secretary general Jiang Zemin had also sent messages of condolence but it did not give the content.

Mr. Hammer had worked to introduce Western investment to communist and Third World countries. A a personal friend of Lenin, he also maintained close contacts with other world leaders including Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and former U.S. president Ronald Reagan.

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#90347d9660 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

XAPURI, Brazil (DEC. 13) - The murder trial of a wealthy rancher and his son entered its second day Thursday as witnesses prepared to testify in the killing of Chico Mendes, a peasant leader who led an environmental crusade to save the Amazon.

The trial in this tiny backwater in western Acre state began Wednesday with a stunning courtroom confession by 23-year-old Darcy Alves Pereira, who admitted he shot and killed Mr. Mendes December 22, 1988 but insisted he acted alone.

Already sentenced to 12 years prison in June in a separate case, Mr. Pereira sought to clear his father, Darly Alves da Silva, 56, charged with ordering the Mendes murder.

The case has drawn reporters from around the world because of Mr. Mendes' effort to draw attention to the devastation of the Amazon rain forest by ranchers, loggers and miners.

An organizer of rubber tappers, or "seringueiros", who depend on the rain forest for their living, Mr. Mendes also came to symbolize the struggle between

Brazil's landless peasants and its seemingly untouchable landed elites.

Seven jurors, chosen from among Xapuri's 5,000 inhabitants and who know the accused personally, were to hear testimony from five witnesses for the defense and seven for the prosecution.

Mr. da Silva has pleaded innocent and defense laywer Rubens Torres declared "there is insufficient evidence to incriminate him."

"We are going to show that it was Chico Mendes himself who incited Darcy to commit the crime ... and not the contrary," he told reporters Thursday before the resumption of the trial.

Prosecuting attorney Thomas Bastos hopes to prove Mr. da Silva's guilt with the testimony of a 16-year-old boy, Genesio da Silva, who worked as a farm hand for Mr. da Silva between the ages of seven and 14.

The youth, whose sister is married to another son of Mr. da Silva, testified three times after Mr. Mendes' killing that the rancher's family was implicated in a dozen crimes.

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#90347d9680 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 13) - The president of China's parliament, Wan Li, called Thursday for a peaceful resolution to the Gulf crisis and urged Iran to play a role in finding such a settlement, the New China News Agency (NCNA) said.

Mr. Wan made the call in a meeting with a delegation from the Iranian parliament's Sino-Iranian friendship group, headed by Mohammed Ibrahim Asgharzadeh, the official news agency said.

Saying both countries wanted to see a peaceful solution, Mr. Wan urged "a peaceful settlement should be sought out as long as there is a thread of hope," adding "China hopes Iran will play its role in the settlement of the crisis," NCNA reported.

Mr. Asgharzadeh was reported as saying Teheran appreciated China's position.

Chinese President Yang Shangkun reiterated Tuesday that Beijing wanted a peaceful solution at a meeting with a special envoy of Saudi Arabia's King Fahd, Abdul Al-Aziz Althanayan, who is deputy foreign minister.

China, one of the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council, abstained from a U.N. vote last month authorising the use of force by the multinational force stationed in the Gulf if Iraq did not withdraw from Kuwait by January 15.

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#90347d9800 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ANKARA (DEC. 13) - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze spent 90 minutes discussing the Gulf crisis and other issues with his Turkish counterpart Ahmet Kurtcebe Alptemocin on Thursday.

Turkish Foreign Ministry sources said Shevardnadze, who arrived earlier in the day from the United States, briefed Alptemocin on his talks in Washington and heard Turkey's views on the Gulf crisis.

The two men also discussed an agreement for closer political ties that President Turgut Ozal is expected to sign during a state visit to Moscow early next year, the sources said.

Although a Nato member, Turkey has built up economic ties in the past decade with the Soviet Union, the leading member of the now-crumbling Warsaw pact.

The Soviets have set up steel, aluminium and petro-chemical complexes in Turkey, while Turkish contractors have secured deals worth 500 million dollars in the Soviet Union.

Shevardnadze is due meet Friday with Ozal and Premier Yildirim Akbulut. He is also expected to sign agreements on combatting drug abuse and early notification of nuclear accidents.

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#90347d9910 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 13) - The British Energy Ministry named Neil Clarke on Thursday to be the new chairman of government-owned British Coal, replacing Lord Haslam who is to retire at the end of the month.

Mr. Clarke, 56, previously managed the Molins Company, which specializes in tobacco, making containers and printing. He was also with Genchem Holdings Limited.

His five-year appointment ends a search for a successor to Lord Haslam that lasted for some months.

On August 30, British Coal reported a loss of 441 million pounds (850 million dollars), against a profit of 66 million pounds a year earlier. The government wants to privatize the company after the next general election.

Mr. Clarke is married and has three children.

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#90347d9920 12/13/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (DEC. 13) - The cost of railway travel in the territory of former East Germany will rise by 50 percent from January 1 because of a reduction in government subsidies after the October 3 unification of Germany, the Deutsche Reichsbahn announced Thursday.

The Reichsbahn's 260,000 employees staged a two-day strike earlier this month to press a pay demand and secure guarantees for more than 50,000 workers threatened by a restructuring plan. Negotiations are to resume in January.

The increase still leaves Reichsbahn tariffs around half the level of those of the Deutsche Bundesbahn, the state company that runs the railway network in western Germany.

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#90347e0012 12/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
VIENNA (DEC. 13 EFE - Thousands of Romanian transport workers Thursday returned to work, ending a three-day transport strike after the government said it would sack four cabinet ministers, review pay and implement more economic and social reforms.

The concessions announced by Prime Minister Petre Roman ment had accepted most of the strikers' demands.

Roman said the government had made some mistakes reforming the country's economy by not being flexible enough and by failing to consult the unions.

But the prime minister did not back down from plans to lift all price controls on consumer goods from June next year.

The ministers of health, education, agriculture and labor will all lose their jobs as a result of the agreement.

A new law will be drafted guaranteeing unemployment benefits, and the government's proposals for controls on wage-regulation and the right to strike will be modified, Roman said.

Transport was paralyzed throughout Romania during the stoppage as striking truckers blocked the roads.

But students in Timisoara, cradle of last year's popular revolution which saw the ousting and execution of former communist dictator Nicolae Ceaucescu, said they would continue strike action.

They are calling for the removal from office of President Ion Iliescu and the entire National Salvation Front cabinet, accusing its officials of holding senior posts under the former communist government.

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#90347e0013 12/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MADRID (DEC. 13) EFE - Consumer prices in Spain fell 0.1 per cent in November the National Institute of Statistics reported Friday.

The figure brought the accumulated inflation rate over the past 11 months down to 6.3 per cent.

Recently, the Socialist government revised its inflation target for the year from below 6 per cent to 6.9 per cent.

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#90347e0021 12/13/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
IBIZA, SPAIN (DEC. 13 EFE - A Spanish court Thursday sentenced a young British holidaymaker to two years in jail for trafficking in the hallucinogenic drug, LSD.

Gary Wallis, 22, from Portsmouth, was arrested last July in the resort of San Antonio on the Mediterranean island of Ibiza with 30 doses of the drug in his possession.

Another 90 doses were found in his holiday apartment.

Wallis faced the more serious charge of trafficking, rather than mere possession, because arresting officers claimed that he had been seen attempting to sell the LSD.

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#90347h0049 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
ISLAMABAD (DEC. 13) XINHUA - PAKISTAN'S EXPORTS IN NOVEMBER 1990 WERE VALUED AT 10.985 BILLION RUPEES (503.478 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), UP 2.579 BILLION RUPEES FROM 8.406 BILLION RUPEES OF THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR, ACCORDING TO LATEST FIGURES RELEASED BY THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS.

EXPORTS DURING JULY-NOVEMBER TOTALLED 45.610 BILLION RUPEES (2.09 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) AS AGAINST 35.361 BILLION RUPEES DURING THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF LAST YEAR, SHOWING AN INCREASE OF 20 PERCENT.

MAIN ITEMS OF EXPORTS DURING NOVEMBER 1990 WERE COTTON YARN, COTTON FABRICS, READY-MADE GARMENTS, LEATHER, BED WEAR, RICE, RAW COTTON, TOWELS, FOLLOWED BY FISH AND FISH PREPARATION, PETROLEUM AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.

IMPORTS DURING NOVEMBER 1990 AMOUNTED TO 17.353 BILLION RUPEES (795.345 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) AS AGAINST 12.792 BILLION RUPEES IN NOVEMBER 1989,

SHOWING AN INCREASE OF 35.7 PERCENT.

IMPORTS DURING JULY-NOVEMBER TOTALLED 67.088 BILLION RUPEES (3.074 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) AS AGAINST 56.617 BILLION RUPEES DURING THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR SHOWING A GROWTH OF 18.5 PERCENT.

MAIN ITEMS OF IMPORTS WERE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT, CHEMICALS, CRUDE OIL, MOTOR VEHICLES, EDIBLE OIL, IRON AND STEEL, WHEAT UNMILLED, SUGAR, AND TEA.

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#90347h0054 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 13) XINHUA - CHINESE VICE-PREMIER WU XUEQIAN MET WITH H.M. KHOEINIHA, CHAIRMAN OF THE IRANIAN CENTER FOR STRATEGIC RESEARCH, AND HIS PARTY HERE THIS AFTERNOON.

LI LUYE, DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE CHINA CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, WAS PRESENT AT THE MEETING.

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#90347h0062 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KAMPALA (DEC. 13) XINHUA - UGANDAN SECURITY FORCES HAVE ARRESTED FOUR RWANDAN NATIONAL WHO ENTERED UGANDA ILLEGALLY.

ACCORDING TO UGANDAN NEWSPAPER "THE NEW VISION" TODAY, THE FOUR RWANDAN NATIONALS WERE ARRESTED DURING AN OPERATION MOUNTED BY SECURITY FORCES IN KISOR ON MONDAY.

GORDON NTUNGWERISHO, A SECURITY OFFICER IN THE BORDER AREA WITH RWANDA, SAID THAT THE OPERATION WAS PROMPTED BY CONTINUOUS VIOLATIONS OF UGANDAN TERRITORY BY RWANDAN TROOPS AND CIVILIANS.

HE SAID THAT DURING A RECENT INCIDENT AN UGANDAN SERGEANT, FRED ATUHAIRE, WAS SHOT WOUNDED BEFORE BEING KIDNAPPED AND TAKEN INTO RWANDA.

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#90347h0071 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 13) XINHUA - INDIA HAS DECIDED TO RAISE 15 BILLION RUPEES (824 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN SHORT-TERM COMMERCIAL BORROWINGS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET OVER THE REMAINING THREE AND A HALF MONTHS OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1991.

THESE BORROWINGS WILL INCLUDE SUPPLIERS' CREDITS ALSO. IF THIS IS DONE, ACCORDING TO LOCAL PRESS TODAY, THE TOTAL COMMERCIAL BORROWINGS THIS YEAR WOULD BE IN THE REGION OF 55 BILLION RUPEES (3.02 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

TILL OCTOBER-END, INDIA HAD ALREADY RAISED ABOUT 13 BILLION RUPEES (714 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN COMMERCIAL LOANS. THIS WAS EXPECTED TO GO UP TO 30 BILLION RUPEES BY THE YEAR-END.

THE DECISION TO OPT FOR SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS HAS BEEN INFLUENCED BY MANY FACTORS, BOTH INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC, THE PRESS SAID.

THE INTERNATIONAL MONEY MARKET FOR LONG-TERM LENDING HAS SHRUNK BY NEARLY 12 PERCENT AND THE BOND MARKET BY ONE PERCENT. INDIA'S CREDIT RATING FOR LONG-TERM BORROWINGS HAS LATELY COME DOWN. THE GULF CRISIS HAS IMPOSED A SEVERE FOREIGN EXCHANGE BURDEN ON INDIA, MAKING IT A HIGH RISK COUNTRY. THE RECENT UNCERTAIN DOMESTIC POLITICAL CLIMATE AND MILITANT ACTIVITIES IN MANY STATES ARE EXPECTED TO RESULT IN A SHARP FALL IN TOURISM EARNINGS.

RECENT NEGOTIATIONS WITH FOREIGN BANKS ON SHORT-TERM LOANS TO INDIA HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL. HOWEVER, THE BANKS HAVE ADOPTED A CAUTIOUS APPROACH ON LONG-TERM BORROWINGS, THE PRESS ADDED.

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#90347h0085 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 13) XINHUA - NIGERIA WILL RETAIN ITS CURRENT OIL PRODUCTION QUOTA OF 1.9 MILLION BARRELS A DAY IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1991, OIL MINISTER JIBRIL AMINU SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE LOCAL PRESS TODAY QUOTED THE MINISTER AS SAYING THAT ALTHOUGH NIGERIA'S DAILY PRODUCTION QUOTA SET BY THE ORGANIZATION OF PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES (OPEC) IS 1.611 MILLION BARRELS THE ORGANIZATION WILL CONTINUE TO LET NIGERIA OVER-PRODUCE ITS OIL BY ABOUT 300,000 BARRELS A DAY.HE SAID THAT THE OVER-PRODUCTION IS NECESSARY TO MEET UP THE SHORTFALL IN OIL SUPPLY AS A RESULT OF THE GULF CRISIS.

MR. AMINU URGED OPEC TO SHELVE OUTPUT QUOTA LIMIT WHILE PEACE RETURNS TO THE GULF REGION.

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#90347h0087 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HOHHOT (DEC. 13) XINHUA - INNER MONGOLIA IN NORTH CHINA IS EXPECTED TO PRODUCE OVER 45 MILLION TONS OF COAL THIS YEAR, 13 MILLION TONS MORE THAN IN 1985.

INNER MONGOLIA, WHICH IS ONE OF THE LARGEST COAL PRODUCERS IN CHINA, HAS PROVEN COAL RESERVES OF 120 BILLION TONS.

CHINA INVESTED OVER 2.9 BILLION YUAN TO DEVELOP THE REGION'S COAL INDUSTRY DURING THE SEVENTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN (1986-1990). THE INVESTMENT HAS ENABLED THE

REGION TO INCREASE ITS COAL PRODUCTION CAPACITY 6.69 MILLION TONS.

THE REGION HAS FORMED A COAL PRODUCTION NETWORK CONSISTING OF STATE, REGIONAL AND LOCALLY OWNED COAL MINES, AND NOW HAS A NUMBER OF MODERN COAL COLLIERIES EACH WITH AN ANNUAL PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF OVER 1.2 MILLION TONS.

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#90347h0088 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NICOSIA (DEC. 13) XINHUA - THE POPULATION OF CYPRUS REACHED 698,800 IN 1989 COMPARED WITH 691,700 IN 1988, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS AND RESEARCH HAS ANNOUNCED.

THE DEPARTMENT SAID THE POPULATION GROWTH PEACKED AT 1.4 PERCENT IN 1984. IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS, THE GROWTH RATE REMAINED ABOVE 1 PERCENT.

IT SAID VARIOUS INDICATORS SHOWED THE CYPRUS POPULATION WAS IN THE PROCESS OF AGING BUT HAD NOT REACHED EUROPEAN STANDARDS.

IN 1989, THE PROPORTION OF CHILDREN UNDER 15 WAS 25.8 PERCENT COMPARED TO 10.2 PERCENT OF OLD AGED PERSONS WHICH RESULTED IN AN AGED-CHILD RATIO OF 40 OLD PERSONS PER 100 CHILDREN.

THE DEPARTMENT ESTIMATED THAT THESE AGING INDICATORS REFLECTED AN EARLY STAGE IN THE PROCESS OF AGING COMPARED TO OTHER EUROPEAN POPULATIONS.

FERTILITY INDICATORS IN CYPRUS WERE HIGHER THAN IN EUROPE AND OTHER DEVELOPED COUNTRIES.

MORTALITY REACHED LOW LEVELS. IN 1989, THE CRUDE DEATH RATE WAS ESTIMATED AT 8.6 DEATHS PER THOUSAND PEOPLE AND THE INFANT MORTALITY AT 11 INFANT DEATHS PER THOUSEAND LIVE BIRTHS.

THERE HAS BEEN A RISING TREND IN THE NUMBER OF DIVORCES IN RECENT YEARS. THE TOTAL DIVORCE RATE IN 1989 WAS 70 PER THOUSAND MARRIAGES, WHILE IN 1980 IT WAS ONLY 42.

HOWEVER, THE DEPARTMENT SAID THIS RATE WAS EXTREMELY LOW COMPARED TO OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES WHERE ONE MARRIAGE IN TWO ENDS UP IN DIVORCE.

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#90347h0092 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 13) XINHUA - CHINA PRODUCES 750,000 TONS OF EDIBLE FUNGUS A YEAR, THE LEADING PRODUCER IN THE WORLD.

CHINESE PEASANTS EARN 3.5 BILLION YUAN FROM PRODUCTION OF EDIBLE FUNGUS, WHICH IS CULTIVATED WITH COTTON SEED HUSK OR RICE STRAW. CHINA ALSO EXPORTS EDIBLE

FUNGUS WORTH SOME 400 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS A YEAR.

THE COUNTRY HAS 64 COUNTIES, SCATTERED MAINLY OVER JIANGSU, ZHEJIANG AND FUJIAN PROVINCES, WHICH EACH PRODUCE EDIBLE FUNGUS VALUED AT OVER 10 MILLION YUAN ANNUALLY.

CHINA HAS SET UP AN EDIBLE FUNGUS ASSOCIATION, WHICH PROVIDES SERVICES FOR FARMERS, INCLUDING SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, SEED TREATMENT, CULTIVATION, PURCHASING AND PROCESSING.

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#90347h0094 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 13) XINHUA - FOOD DEFICITS ARE LIKELY IN MOST PARTS OF SUDAN AS THE COUNTRY SEES SEVERE CROP FAILURE FOR THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR, THE UNITED NATIONS FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION (FAO) SAID HERE TODAY.

"FOR THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR, TOTAL CEREAL PRODUCTION WILL BE WELL BELOW REQUIREMENTS IN SUDAN," FAO SAID IN A STATEMENT.

"FOOD DEFICITS ARE LIKELY IN ALL REGIONS EXCEPT THE EAST. THEY WILL BE MOST SEVERE IN THE WESTERN REGIONS, PARTICULARLY NORTH DARFUR AND NORTH KORDOFAN AND IN THE RED SEA HILLS," THE U.N. BODY WARNED.

HIGH PRICES ON LOCAL MARKETS HAVE FORCED FARMERS TO PLANT LARGE AREAS OF CEREALS IN THE COUNTRY, BUT MUCH OF THE CROPS HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY A DROUGHT, IT NOTED.

TO AVERT LARGE-SCALE FOOD SHORTAGE AND HUMAN SUFFERING IN THE COMING MONTHS, FAO CALLED FOR AN EMERGENCY FOOD AID OF UP TO ONE MILLION TONS AS WELL AS FUEL AND LOGISTIC SUPPORT FOR ITS DISTRIBUTION.

IT SAID THAT ANOTHER 300,000 TONS OF CEREALS ARE ALSO NEEDED TO REPLENISH STOCKS LEFT AT "DANGEROUSLY LOW LEVELS" AFTER LAST YEAR'S POOR HARVEST SO AS TO PREVENT WIDESPREAD HUNGER IN THE COMING YEAR.

FAO'S ESTIMTION IS BASED ON THE REPORT OF ITS CROP ASSESSMENT MISSION, WHICH HAS JUST COMPLETED AN ON-THE-SPOT EVALUATION IN SUDAN.

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#90347h0095 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

XI'AN (DEC. 13) XINHUA - SHAANXI PROVINCE IN NORTHWEST CHINA WAS TURNED INTO A MAJOR BASE FOR CHINA'S ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY AND RESEARCH DURING THE SEVENTH STATE FIVE-YEAR PLAN PERIOD (1986-1990).

THE PROVINCE, WHICH USED TO BE ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S MAJOR PRODUCERS OF ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS FOR MILITARY USE, STARTED TO SHIFT ITS EMPHASIS TO THE

PRODUCTION OF ELECTRONICS GOODS FOR CIVIL USE AS OF 1980, WHEN THE ANNUAL OUTPUT VALUE OF ITS ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY WAS ONLY 236 MILLION YUAN (ABOUT 45.4 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

AFTER SEVERAL YEARS OF EFFORT TO IMPORT THE LATEST TECHNOLOGY AND UPDATE TECHNICAL STANDARDS, HOWEVER, THE OUTPUT VALUE OF THIS SECTOR THIS YEAR IS EXPECTED TO REACH 3.2 BILLION RMB YUAN, MAKING THIS THE LEADING INDUSTRIAL SECTOR IN SHAANXI.

THERE ARE NOW 65 ELECTRONICS ENTERPRISES IN THE PROVINCE, WHICH PRODUCES NEARLY 10,000 VARIETIES IN 13 CATEGORIES OF PRODUCTS, INCLUDING TV SETS, REFRIGERATORS, RADIO SETS, TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AND MICRO-COMPUTERS.

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#90347h0099 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 13) XINHUA - STONE CORPORATION RECENTLY SIGNED A CONTRACT HERE WITH THE FRENCH COMPUTER COMPANY, BULL, TO JOINTLY PROMOTE THE SALE OF BULL'S DPX/2 COMPUTER ALONG WITH STONE'S CHINESE CHARACTER PRODUCTS.

DUAN YONGJI, VICE PRESIDENT OF STONE CORPORATION, SAID THAT THIS IS ONE OF THE STEPS TAKEN BY STONE TO TURN ITS SCIENTIFIC ENDEAVORS INTO SALABLE COMMODITIES THROUGH INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION.

STONE CORPORATION IS A COMPUTER ENTERPRISE THAT BLENDS TECHNOLOGY, MANUFACTURING AND TRADE INTO A SINGLE ENTITY.

THE CORPORATION HAS DEVELOPED A NUMBER OF COMPUTER PRODUCTS, WHICH ARE HIGHLY SUITED FOR CHINA'S MARKET, IN AREAS SUCH AS INFORMATION PROCESSING, OFFICE AUTOMATION AND COMPUTER ASSISTED DESIGN.

DUAN SAID THAT THE CORPORATION'S TOTAL SALES VOLUME DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS HAS EXCEEDED FOUR BILLION YUAN.

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#90347h0105 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 13) XINHUA - CHINA'S ANNUAL FISH CATCH DURING THE STATE SEVENTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN PERIOD (1986-1990) REACHED 10 MILLION TONS, FULFILLING THE STATE PRODUCTION QUOTA FOR THE PERIOD THREE YEARS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE.

THE RESULTS OF THIS ACCOMPLISHMENT HAVE PLACED CHINA THIRD AMONG THE LARGEST FISH PRODUCING COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD.

AS A RESULT OF THE GROWING POPULARITY OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND THE STRENGTHENING OF SEA AND FRESH WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT, THE COUNTRY'S TOTAL AQUATIC OUTPUT HAS INCREASED AT AN AVERAGE ANNUAL RATE OF 10.3 PERCENT, ABOUT 900,000 TONS, DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS.

IN 1988, FISH BREEDING ACCOUNTED FOR 50.2 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL AQUATIC OUTPUT, AND A TOTAL OF 2.68 MILLION TONS OF FISH WAS SOLD ON FREE MARKET ACROSS CHINA.

STATISTICS SHOW THAT PER CAPITA FISH CONSUMPTION IN THE COUNTRY REACHED 10.2 KILOGRAMS LAST YEAR.

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#90347h0113 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (DEC. 13) XINHUA - SHANGHAI, CHINA'S LARGEST INDUSTRIAL CITY, IS EXPECTED TO EXPORT GOODS VALUED AT A RECORD OF 5.25 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS THIS YEAR.

AN OFFICIAL WITH THE CITY'S FOREIGN TRADE COMMISSION SAID HERE TODAY THAT THE FIGURE IS APPROXIMATELY 220 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS HIGHER THAN THE 1989 FIGURE OF 5.03 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

THE OFFICIAL SAID THAT THE CITY'S TOTAL EXPORT VALUE DURING THE SEVENTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN PERIOD (1986-1990) IS EXPECTED TO REACH OVER 22.6 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

STATISTICS SHOW THAT MACHINERY AND ELECTRONICS EXPORTS REPRESENT OVER 20 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL FOR THIS YEAR, COMPARED WITH ONLY 3.6 PERCENT IN 1985.

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#90347h0115 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

STOCKHOLM (DEC. 13) XINHUA - DENMARK WILL NEXT YEAR JOIN THE SELECT BAND OF WESTERN COUNTRIES WHICH ARE SELF-SUFFICIENT IN OIL AND GAS, ACCORDING TO REPORTS RECEIVED HERE TODAY.

THIS YEAR THE DANES CAN PRODUCE AN AMOUNT EQUIVALENT TO 85 PERCENT OF THEIR TOTAL OIL AND GAS REQUIREMENTS. THE LATEST PROGNOSIS FROM THE DANISH OIL COMPANY A.P. MOELLER INDICATES THAT THE LEVELS OF OIL PRODUCTION WILL CONTINUE TO ACCELERATE FURTHER. A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COMPANY SAID THAT DENMARK'S SELF-SUFFICIENCY IN OIL WILL REACH 93 PERCENT IN 1991.

THE ADVANCE PREDICTED FOR NEXT YEAR IS PRIMARILY DUE TO THE NEW DAGMAR AND KRAKA FIELDS WHICH ARE EXPECTED COME ON-LINE.

IF THESE NEW OIL-FIELDS MATCH PRODUCTION EXPECTATIONS, DENMARK COULD SOON SIGNIFICANLY PRODUCE MORE OIL THAT IT CONSUMES.

IN 1973, THE YEAR OF THE FIRST OIL CRISIS, DENMARK PRODUCED UNDER TWO PER CENT OF ITS OWN OIL REQUIREMENTS.

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#90347h0122 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LUSAKA (DEC. 13) XINHUA - EIGHTY-THREE PEOPLE HAVE DIED OF CHOLERA IN ZAMBIA'S THREE PROVINCES STRUCK BY THE KILLER DISEASE AND AID HAS STARTED POURING IN TO COMBAT THE SPREAD, THE TIMES OF ZAMBIA AND ZAMBIA DAILY MAIL REPORTED TODAY.

PERMANENT SECRETARY OF MINISTRY OF HEALTH EVARISTE NJELESANI SAID HERE YESTERDAY THAT 666 CHOLERA PATIENTS WERE ADMITTED TO HOSPITALS BUT 501 WERE DISCHARGED.

THE DISEASE WAS DETECTED IN NORTHERN, LUAPULA, COPPERBELT AND CENTRAL PROVINCES.

THE UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND (UNICEF) HAS DONATED TWO BOAT ENGINES, 6,000 NEEDLES, 2,000 DISPOSABLE CUPS, 5,000 PAIRS OF GLOVES AND 2,000 PLASTIC APRONS.

MORE AID IS EXPECTED TO COME FROM THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION (WHO), SAID DR. NJELESANI.

THE ZAMBIA-ZAIRE JOINT PERMANENT COMMISSION HAS DECIDED THAT MEDICAL PERSONNEL FROM BOTH COUNTRIES WILL MEET ON DECEMBER 27 TO MAP OUT A COMMON STRATEGY TO CHECK THE DISEASE WHICH CAME FROM ZAIRE.

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#90347h0123 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
GABORONE (DEC. 13) XINHUA - ESSENTIAL SERVICES WERE PARAL- YSED YESTERDAY IN BOKSBURG-BENONI HOSPITAL IN SOUTH AFRICA'S JOHANNESBURG WHEN 700 BLACK WORKERS THERE WENT ON STRIKE, THE "SOWETAN" NEWSPAPER OF SOUTH AFRICA REPORTED TODAY.

THE BLACK WORKERS DOWNED TOOLS BECAUSE OF ALLEGED DISCRIMINATION AGAINST THEM BY THE HOSPITAL AUTHORITIES.

THOSE ON STRIKE ARE GENERAL WORKERS NORMALLY CLASSIFIED AS LABOURERS, PORTER, DRIVERS, ASSISTANT NURSES AND CLERKS.

THE STRIKE FOLLOWD A WEEK-LONG DEFIANCE CAMPAIGN BY WORKERS WHO INVADED THE WHITES-ONLY DINING HALL.

THE NEWSPAPER QUOTED A SPOKESMAN FOR THE STRIKERS AS SAYING THAT THE ACTION WAS JUSTIFIED BECAUSE MANAGEMENT DID NOT WANT TO ACCEDE TO THEIR EARLIER DEMANDS MADE IN APRIL.

ONE OF THEIR DEMANDS WAS THAT ALL STAFF SHOULD USE A COMMON DINING HALL, BUT THIS WAS REFUSED.

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#90347h0129 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
STOCKHOLM (DEC. 13) XINHUA - IT WILL BE THE FIRST TIME IN MANY YEAR FOR DENMARK TO HAVE BILLION-KRONER PAYMENTS SURPLUS AND TO BE ABLE TO REPAY SOME OF ITS FOREIGN DEBT, SHOWS THE STATISTICS FROM DENMARK.

THE COUNTRY'S BALANCE OF PAYMENTS SURPLUS FOR THE FIRST TEN MONTHS OF 1990 STANDS AT 7.3 BILLION DANISH KRONER (ABOUT 1.3 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS). THE SURPLUS FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR IS EXPECTED TO BE AROUND 5 BILLION DANISH KRONER (ABOUT 870 MILLION DOLLARS). IT WILL BE THE FIRST TIME IN 27 YEARS THAT THE BOOKS HAVE BALANCED POSITIVELY.

THE MILLION-KRONER PAYMENTS SURPLUS MEANS THAT DENMARK CAN REPAY SOME OF ITS FOREIGN DEBT FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1963. THE FOREIGN DEBT BECAME SMALLER LAST YEAR TOO, BUT THIS WAS ONLY BECAUSE THE DANISH KRONE BECAME STRONGER AGAINST THE FOREIGN CURRENCIES IN WHICH THE BORROWINGS WERE ORIGINALLY MADE. THE FOREIGN DEBT NOW IN DENMARK TOTALS SOME 297 BILLION DANISH KRONER (ABOUT 52 BILLION DOLLARS).

DENMARK'S LOW RATE OF ECONOMIC GROWTH IS A MAJOR CONTRIBUTARY FACTOR TO THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS SURPLUS. DENMARK HAS HAD THE LOWEST RATE OF ECONOMIC GROWTH IN THE INDUSTRIALIZED WORLD OVER THE LAST FOUR YEARS.

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#90347h0132 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
QUITO (DEC. 13) XINHUA - THE ECUADORAN AND FRENCH GOVERNMENTS SIGNED WEDNESDAY A SOCIAL AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION ACCORD.

UNDER THE ACCORD, THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT WILL DONATE 9.5 MILLION FRANCS TO CONTRIBUTE TO A POPULAR HOUSING PROGRAM SET UP BY ECUADOR'S SOCIAL WELFARE MINISTRY.

THE PROGRAM IS PART OF BILATERAL COOPERATION PROJECTS AGREED ON BY THE TWO COUNTRIES DURING FRENCH PRESIDENT FRANCOIS MITERRAND'S OFFICIAL VISIT IN OCTOBER 1989.

SOCIAL WELFARE MINISTER RAUL BACA SAID THAT THE POOREST SECTORS OF THE POPULATION OF TEN ECUADORAN MOUNTAIN PROVINCES WOULD BENEFIT FROM THE PROGRAM.

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#90347h0135 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
HONG KONG (DEC. 13) XINHUA - THE ONGOING SECOND JOINT MILITARY EXERCISE BETWEEN THE INDONESIAN AND SINGAPOREAN ARMED FORCES LAUNCHED BY INDONESIAN ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF GENERAL EDI SUDRADJAT IN BANDUNG, WEST JAVA, TUESDAY, WILL END TOMORROW, THE INDONESIAN NEWS AGENCY ANTARA REPORTED.

THE EXERCISE, WHICH INVOLVES 68 SOLDIERS FROM EACH COUNTRY, IS AIMED TO DEEPEN MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING WHICH WOULD ENABLE BOTH SIDES TO SEE THE DIFFERENCES AND TECHNICAL MILITARY PROBLEMS OF EACH COUNTRY AS MATTER OF COURSE, GENERAL SUDRADJAT SAID.

THE GENERAL ALSO SAID THAT THE JOINT EXERCISE PROVIDED ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE TO HELP ANTICIPATE PROBLEMS, IMPROVE COOPERATION AND CULTIVATE FRIENDSHIP.

THE SUCCESS OF THE JOINT EXERCISES WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE SECURITY OF THE TWO COUNTRIES AND, ON A LARGE SCALE, THE SOUTHEAST ASIA REGION. FURTHER STEPS TO DEVELOP COOPERATION WERE BEING FORMULATED, HE SAID.

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#90347h0138 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (DEC. 13) XINHUA - THE SHANGHAI JOINT FINANCIAL COMPANY WAS ESTABLISHED HERE TODAY UNDER AN AGREEMENT CONCLUDED BETWEEN TWO CHINESE FINANCIAL FIRMS AND THE GENERAL SOCIETY BANK OF FRANCE.

THE SHANGHAI JOINT FINANCIAL COMPANY, WHICH HAS A REGISTERED CAPITAL OF 20 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS, WAS JOINTLY ESTABLISHED BY THE SHANGHAI BRANCH OF THE PEOPLE'S CONSTRUCTION BANK OF CHINA, THE SHANGHAI INVESTMENT AND TRUST CORPORATION, AND THE GENERAL SOCIETY BANK OF FRANCE.

THE AGREEMENT STIPULATES THAT THE FRENCH BANK WILL PROVIDE 50 PERCENT OF THE FUNDING, AND THAT THE TWO CHINESE FIRMS WILL EACH PROVIDE 25 PERCENT.

THE SHANGHAI JOINT FINANCIAL COMPANY IS EXPECTED TO RAISE FUNDS FOR BOTH LARGE AND MEDIUM SIZED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN SHANGHAI'S PUDONG AREA, AS WELL AS IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, AND TO PROVIDE OTHER FINANCIAL SERVICES.

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#90347h0139 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (DEC. 13) XINHUA - PRESIDENT SOEHARTO DEDICATED TWO NUCLEAR FACILITIES WEDNESDAY IN SERPONG, ABOUT 30 KM SOUTH OF JAKARTA WEDNESDAY, SAYING THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD CONTINUE WITH PLANS TO BUILD INDONESIA'S FIRST NUCLEAR POWER PLANT IN CENTRAL JAVA, ACCORDING TO THE "JAKARTA POST" TODAY.

PRESIDENT SOEHARTO SAID THERE WAS NO CHOICE FOR INDONESIA BUT TO BUILD NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS TO COPE WITH THE GROWING NEED FOR ELECTRICITY.

THE TWO NUCLEAR FACILITIES DEDICATED BY SOEHARTO WERE A RADIOMETALLURGY INSTALLATION AND A REACTOR SAFETY INSTALLATION AT THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH CENTER IN SERPONG.

INDONESIAN ENERGY OFFICIALS NOTED THAT STUDIES WERE CONTINUING ON THE FINAL SITE IN CENTRAL JAVA FOR INDONESIA'S FIRST NUCLEAR POWER PLANT.

DJALI AHIMSA, DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY, SAID RECENTLY THAT AN AREA ON THE SLOPE OF MOUNT MURIA OUTSIDE THE PROVINCIAL CAPITAL OF SEMARANG WAS THE LIKELY SITE FOR THE PLANT.

HE ADDED THAT THE PROJECT, ESTIMATED TO COST 1 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS, WOULD HAVE A TOTAL GENERATION CAPACITY OF 3,000 MEGAWATTS OF ELECTRICITY.

THE FIRST UNIT, WITH AN INSTALLED CAPACITY OF 600 MEGAWATTS, WAS EXPECTED TO COME ON STREAM IN THE YEAR 2000, AHIMSA SAID.

SEVERAL COMPANIES FROM WEST EUROPE, THE UNITED STATES, JAPAN AND CANADA ARE HOPING TO WIN THE CONTRACT THE THE PROJECT, THE PAPER SAID.

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HONG KONG (DEC. 13) XINHUA - THE INNER MONGOLIAN EXPORT COMMODITIES FAIR AND ECONOMIC NEGOTIATIONS ARE SCHEDULED TO OPEN HERE TOMORROW.

SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE THIS AFTERNOON, PEI YINGWU, VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE INNER MONGOLIAN AUTONOMOUS REGION OF CHINA, SAID THE PURPOSE OF THE EVENT IS TO BRIEF THE HONG KONG AND MACAO PEOPLE AS WELL AS FOREIGNERS ON RESOURCES ADVANTAGES AND FEATURES IN INNER MONGOLIA'S ECONOMIC GROWTH, ITS POTENTIALS FOR EXPANDING TRADE AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION AND INVESTMENT ENVIRONMENT.

PEI, WHO IS HEADING A DELEGATION FROM THE INNER MONGOLIAN AUTONOMOUS REGION, SAID UP TO NOW THE REGION HAS MAINTAINED ITS TRADE AND ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATIONS WITH MORE THAN 60 COUNTRIES AND REGIONS OF THE WORLD.

IN 1989, THE REGION'S FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS REACHED 340 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS AND SIGNED 261 COOPERATIVE PROJECTS VALUED AT 356 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

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HONG KONG (DEC. 13) XINHUA - A GROUP OF 175 VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE LEFT HERE FOR HOME BY AIR TODAY UNDER THE VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION PROGRAM OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES.

THE 175 BOAT PEOPLE, COMPRISING 62 MEN, 43 WOMEN, 34 BOYS AND 36 GIRLS, WERE THE 44TH BATCH TO GO BACK UNDER THE PROGRAM.

SINCE THE VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION PROGRAM STARTED IN MARCH LAST YEAR, A TOTAL

OF 6,095 VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE HAVE RETURNED.

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HONG KONG (DEC. 13) XINHUA - A CONTRACT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF A CHEMICAL WASTE TREATMENT CENTER ON TSING YI ISLAND, NEW TERRITORIES, WAS SIGNED HERE TODAY BETWEEN THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT AND THE ENVIROPACE LIMITED.

UNDER THE CONTRACT, THE ENVIROPACE LIMITED, A HONG KONG COMPANY SPECIFICALLY CREATED FOR THE PROJECT, WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CENTER'S DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATE IT FOR 15 YEARS.

THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT WILL REPAY THE CAPITAL COST OF 1,300 MILLION H.K. DOLLARS (167 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FOR THE CENTER'S FACILITIES.

THE CENTER WILL BE FULLY COMMISSIONED BY LATE 1992. SPEAKING AT THE CONTRACT SIGNING CEREMONY, MIKE STOKOE, ACTING DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT, SAID THE CENTER WOULD "PROVIDE A VALUABLE DISPOSAL SERVICE TO MUCH OF HONG KONG'S PRESENT AND FUTURE INDUSTRY, ENABLING THE PRESENT PRACTICE OF DUMPING WASTE CHEMICALS TO CEASE, AND ELIMINATING THE SOURCE OF A MAJOR PORTION OF TOXIC POLLUTION OF COASTAL WATERS."

HONG KONG CURRENTLY GENERATES ABOUT 100,000 TONS OF CHEMICAL WASTE ANNUALLY.

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#90347h0153 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 13) XINHUA - IN A LETTER TO PRINCE NORODOM SIHANOUK, LEADERS FROM THREE OF THE CAMBODIAN RESISTANCE PARTIES AGREED UNANIMOUSLY ON TUESDAY NOT TO DISCUSS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE POSTS OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN OF SUPREME NATIONAL COUNCIL (SNC) OF CAMBODIA IN ORDER TO HASTEN DISCUSSIONS FOR AN OVERALL AGREEMENT AND POLITICAL SOLUTION TO THE CAMBODIAN ISSUE, THE REPORTS SAID HERE.

THE LETTER, WHICH WAS SIGNED BY SON SANN, KHIEU SAMPHAM AND NORODOM RANARITH, SAID THAT GIVEN THE CURRENT SITUATION, THE MOST IMPORTANT QUESTION IS WHETHER ALL SIDES INVOLVED IN THE CAMBODIAN CONFLICT, INCLUDING VIETNAM AND THE REGIME IN PHNOM PENH, WOULD ACCEPT THE AGREEMENT REACHED FOR A POLITICAL SOLUTION TO THE CAMBODIAN ISSUE BY UN SECURITY COUNCIL'S FIVE PERMANENT MEMBERS.

ALL SIDES INVOLVED IN THE CAMBODIAN ISSUE WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO MENTION THE QUESTION OF THE SNC'S CHAIRMANSHIP BEING ESTABLISHED IN ORDER TO AVOID GIVING A CLEAR STATEMENT ON AN AGREEMENT HAVING BEEN REACHED BEFORE THE TWO CHAIRMANS OF THE PARIS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE.

THE THREE LEADERS POINTED OUT THAT THEY UNANIMOUSLY BELIEVE THAT PRINCE SIHANOUK IS THE ONLY ONE QUALIFIED TO HOLD THE POST OF THE SNC'S CHAIRMAN.

SIHANOUK PROPOSED ON DECEMBER 10 THAT IN VIEW OF THE DISAGREEMENT OVER THE SNC'S LEADERSHIP POSTS, THE 12 MEMBERS OF SNC MAY BE ABLE TO WORK EQUALLY WELL WITHOUT A CHAIRMAN TO REALIZE PEACE IN CAMBODIA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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#90347h0176 12/13/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO, (DEC. 13) XINHUA - IRAN TODAY REITERATED THE CALL FOR IRAQ TO WITHDRAW FROM KUWAIT UNDER IRAQI OCCUPATION SINCE AUGUST 2, ACCORDING TO A REPORT FROM ANKARA, TURKEY.

AT THE END OF A TWO-DAY VISIT TO TURKEY, FOREIGN MINISTER ALI AKBAR VELAYATI SAID THAT "WE DEEPLY BELIEVE IN A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE CRISIS."

HE TOLD REPORTERS THAT IRAN AND TURKEY BOTH WERE DETERMINED TO OBSERVE THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS ON THE GULF CRISIS.

MEANWHILE, HE DENIED PRESS ALLEGATIONS THAT FOOD WAS BEING SMUGGLED FROM IRAN INTO NEIGHBORING IRAQ IN VIOLATION OF THE U.N.-ENDORSED EMBARGO AGAINST IRAQ.

HE SAID THREE MONTHS AGO SOME SMUGGLERS WERE CAUGHT TAKING FRUIT INTO IRAQ BUT CURRENTLY THERE WAS NO INDICATION THAT THERE WAS ANY SMUGGLING OF GOODS OR MATERIALS INTO IRAQ."

ASKED ABOUT THE EFFECTS OF A WAR IN THE GULF, THE IRANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER SAID, "WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF IRAQ ... WE ARE AGAINST ANY CHANGE IN THE GEOGRAPHY OF THE REGION."

"ANY CHANGE WOULD BE HARMFUL AND VERY DANGEROUS," HE ADDED, WITHOUT ELABORATION.

SOME OBSERVERS BELIEVE THAT IF IRAQ IS DEFEATED IN A WAR WITH THE U.S.-LED MULTINATIONAL FORCES, AN INDEPENDENT KURDISH STATE MAY BE FORMED IN THE NORTHERN PART OF IRAQ.

TURKEY AND IRAN ALSO HAVE ETHNIC KURDS AND THEREFORE ARE OPPOSED TO THE IDEA.

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Drugs -- A Child's Privacy, A Parent's Right to Know (Robin Worcester, who used a drug testing kit to check on his son Sean, discusses the use of such testing with Bob Hill of ToughLove and Loren Siegel of the ACLU); Queer Nation -- Gay Rights Activism (Andrew Beaver of Queer Nation debates homophobia, whether homosexuality is a matter of choice, sexual behavior and AIDS in the gay community with anti-gay activist Cathy Kay).

48 Hours (CBS) December 12, 1990 (Transcript #134)

Hometown, USA: Drops in on Madisonville, Texas (population 3,600) during a homecoming weekend to discover if the slow, simple small town life is real, including interviews with residents, students and wildcatters.

Crossfire (CNN) December 12, 1990 (Transcript #202)

Stop the Daily News Presses?: Labor union consultant Vic Kamber and New York Daily News spokesman John Scanlon discuss the strike at the Daily News and whether the paper will survive.

South Africa Now (PBS) December 12, 1990 (Transcript #40)

Sanctions, Tambo returns; ANC mass action; Zambia's politics; Township Fever play in Brooklyn; Apartheid in Its Death Throes (Welkom documentary).

Oprah Winfrey Show December 12, 1990 (Transcript #1101)

Chantez Fernandez -- Why I Locked My Child in the Car: Desperate, single mothers who were forced to resort to extreme measures in caring for their children discuss the pressing need for a better day-care system.

Donahue December 12, 1990 (Transcript #3097)

Harry Connick Jr.: The singer/jazz pianist talks about his performing life and

sings a few songs.

Geraldo December 12, 1990 (Transcript #845)

Bizarre Bank Robberies: The reasons average, everyday people commit bank robberies -- one woman robbed nine banks in order to pay her utility bills.

Sally Jessy Raphael December 12, 1990 (Transcript #593)

Charlton Heston: Actor Charlton Heston talks about his life -- from his humble childhood in a suburb of Chicago to the present day -- and discusses his new book, Beijing Diary. His wife of almost 50 years joins him.

Thursday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Glenn Close Sally Jessy Raphael: Quick Beauty Fixes (R) Geraldo: Female Inmates (R) Oprah Winfrey: Get Rich in 60 Minutes

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OITA (DEC. 13) KYODO - TWO SELF-CLAIMED NORTH KOREAN STOWAWAYS REFUSED ENTRY TO JAPAN LEFT OITA PORT ON THURSDAY ON A SINGAPORE-REGISTERED FREIGHTER BOUND FOR THE SOVIET FAR EAST ISLAND OF SAKHALIN, IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS SAID.

THE TWO MEN, WHO ARRIVED IN OITA ON MONDAY NIGHT ABOARD THE SINGAPOREAN CARGO VESSEL, THE ASEAN EXPRESS, TOLD IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS THEY ARE NORTH KOREAN NATIONALS AND WANT TO DEFECT TO SOUTH KOREA.

SPEAKING IN KOREAN, THEY SAID THEY SNEAKED INTO THE SHIP WHEN IT CALLED AT THE CHINESE PORT OF QINHUANGDAO, 300 KILOMETERS EAST OF BEIJING, ON DECEMBER 6, AND HAD THROWN AWAY THEIR IDENTIFICATION PAPERS IN CHINA, ACCORDING TO THE IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THEY DECIDED TO DENY THE TWO MEN ENTRY INTO JAPAN BECAUSE THEY COULD NOT CONFIRM THEIR NATIONALITIES, AND TO TREAT THEM AS STOWAWAYS.

THE FATE OF THE TWO MEN IS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF SINGAPORE, WHERE THE FREIGHTER IS REGISTERED, THE JAPANESE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE VESSEL'S NEXT SCHEDULED PORT OF CALL IS VOSTOCHNYY, SOUTHERN SAKHALIN, THEY SAID.

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#90347k0029 12/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 13) KYODO - JAPAN'S EXPORTS IN NOVEMBER ROSE 14.0 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER ON A CONTRACT BASIS, POSTING A DOUBLE-DIGIT YEAR-ON-YEAR INCREASE FOR THE SECOND SUCCESSIVE MONTH, THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) SAID THURSDAY.

NOVEMBER EXPORTS AMOUNTED TO 23.71 BILLION DOLLARS, AND THE 14.0 PERCENT RISE FOLLOWED A YEAR-ON-YEAR JUMP OF 17.3 PERCENT IN OCTOBER, WHEN EXPORTS AMOUNTED TO 24.58 BILLION DOLLARS. IT WAS THE FIRST SUCH TWO-MONTH UPSWING IN 17 MONTHS.

CONTRACT-BASED IMPORTS ALSO ROSE SHARPLY IN NOVEMBER, RECORDING A 20.5 PERCENT GAIN FROM THE YEAR-EARLIER LEVEL TO TOTAL 19.52 BILLION DOLLARS.

EXPORTS OF AUTOMOBILES, CHEMICAL PRODUCTS, SHIPS, AND VIDEOCASSETTE RECORDERS INCREASED MARKEDLY, WHILE THOSE OF STEEL, COMPUTER CHIPS, AND MACHINE TOOLS DECLINED.

ON THE IMPORT FRONT, CRUDE OIL AND OTHER OIL PRODUCTS, AUTOMOBILES, LARGE AIRCRAFT, AND OFFICE EQUIPMENT ADVANCED, WHILE THERE WAS A FALL IN IMPORTS OF MEAT, CORNS, SOY BEANS, LUMBER, AND PHARMACEUTICALS.

BY REGION, EXPORTS TO THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, SOUTHEAST AND WEST ASIA, LATIN AMERICA, AND NORTH AMERICA PICKED UP, WHILE THOSE TO AFRICA AND TO CHINA, THE SOVIET UNION, AND EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES DROPPED.

EXPORTS TO NORTH AMERICA CLIMBED 3.8 PERCENT TO 7.6 BILLION DOLLARS. IMPORTS WERE HIGHER FROM ALL AREAS, IN PARTICULAR WEST AND SOUTHEAST ASIA, AFRICA, AND CHINA, THE SOVIET UNION, AND EASTERN EUROPE.

IMPORTS FROM NORTH AMERICA EDGED UP 0.1 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 3.88 BILLION DOLLARS.

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#90347k0062 12/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 13) KYODO - CRUDE STEEL PRODUCTION IN JAPAN ROSE 5.1 PERCENT IN NOVEMBER FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 9,388,000 TONS, THE JAPAN IRON AND STEEL FEDERATION SAID THURSDAY.

THE FIGURE MARKED AN 11-YEAR HIGH FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER SINCE 1979, WHEN JAPAN PRODUCED 9,437,000 TONS.

CONVERTER STEEL OUTPUT INCREASED 4.4 PERCENT TO 6,365,000 TONS, AND THAT OF ELECTRIC FURNACE STEEL GAINED 6.5 PERCENT TO 3,023,000 TONS, THE SECOND LARGEST MONTHLY FIGURE AFTER LAST OCTOBER.

ORDINARY STEEL PRODUCTION ROSE 3.7 PERCENT TO 7,652,000 TONS, WHILE SPECIALTY STEEL JUMPED 11.5 PERCENT TO 1,735,000 TONS.

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#90347k0063 12/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) KYODO - THE SOVIET UNION IS EXPECTED TO OFFICIALLY APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF) AND THE WORLD BANK BY EARLY NEXT YEAR, IMF OFFICIALS SAID WEDNESDAY.

MOSCOW HAS OBSERVER STATUS WITH THE TWO ORGANIZATIONS, BUT EXPRESSED ITS DESIRE TO JOIN THE TWO BODIES IN SEPTEMBER.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE MATTER IS EXPECTED TO BE ON THE IMF INTERIM COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA LATE NEXT APRIL, BASED ON A RECENT REPORT ON THE SOVIET ECONOMY ARRANGED BY A JOINT TEAM OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AS WELL AS THE ORGANIZATION FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT (OECD).

THE UNITED STATES ON WEDNESDAY DECIDED TO TREAT MOSCOW AS A SUBMEMBER OF THE IMF AND THE WORLD BANK, REQUESTING THE TWO BODIES EXTEND EMERGENCY FINANCIAL AID TO THE SOVIET UNION.

ANALYSTS SAY, HOWEVER, THAT TO QUALIFY FOR AID FROM EITHER OF THE INSTITUTIONS A COUNTRY MUST BECOME A MEMBER, AND THAT MOSCOW WILL HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL IT DOES SO.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE IMF WILL INSIST MOSCOW ADOPT ITS METHODS FOR MONITORING THE ECONOMY SUCH AS CALCULATING A GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP) AND CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE IF MEMBERSHIP OF THE WASHINGTON-BASED BODY IS APPROVED.

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#90347k0067 12/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 13) KYODO - THE TOKYO METROPOLITAN ASSEMBLY AGREED THURSDAY TO SEND MEDICAL SUPPLIES WORTH MORE THAN 1 MILLION YEN IN EMERGENCY AID TO THE CITY OF MOSCOW, OFFICIALS SAID.

A TOTAL OF 127 ASSEMBLY MEMBERS WILL DONATE 10,000 YEN EACH TO PURCHASE MEDICAL SUPPLIES.

THE TOKYO METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT ALSO PLANS TO DISCUSS EMERGENCY AID WITH

MOSCOW MAYOR GAVRIIL POPOV WHEN HE VISITS TOKYO IN JANUARY TO CONCLUDE A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH THE JAPANESE CAPITAL.

MOSCOW, ONCE THE SOVIET UNION'S CITY OF PLENTY, BEGAN RATIONING CONSUMER GOODS LAST WEEK AND CITIZENS ARE RESTRICTED TO SHOPPING AT DESIGNATED STORES, AT SPECIFIC TIMES, AND ARE ALLOWED TO BUY GOODS WORTH ONLY UP TO 150 RUBLES (ABOUT 268 DOLLARS).

THE SOVIET UNION FACES SEVERE SHORTAGES OF FOOD AND OTHER CONSUMER GOODS.

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#90347k0073 12/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 13) KYODO - JAPAN'S PERSONAL SAVINGS IN THE JULY-SEPTEMBER QUARTER GREW AT A SLOWER PACE THAN A YEAR EARLIER FOR THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE PERIOD, THE BANK OF JAPAN (BOJ) SAID IN A PRELIMINARY REPORT THURSDAY.

THE CENTRAL BANK SAID GROWTH OF THE NATION'S PERSONAL SAVINGS DROPPED 16.8 PERCENT FROM THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR TO 14,349.3 BILLION YEN IN THE THREE MONTHS, THE SHARPEST DECLINE SINCE AN 18.3 PERCENT FALL IN THE APRIL-JUNE QUARTER OF 1986.

OUTSTANDING SAVINGS TOTALED 736,458.2 BILLION YEN AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER, UP 9.6 PERCENT FROM THE YEAR EARLIER.

ANALYSTS ATTRIBUTED THE SLOWER GROWTH TO THE SHIFT OF MONEY FROM ONCE HIGH-YIELDING FIXED-AMOUNT POSTAL SAVINGS AS WELL AS FROM PUBLIC AND CORPORATE BONDS AND INVESTMENT TRUSTS DUE TO JAPAN'S SLUMPING FINANCIAL MARKETS.

BUT THE BOJ SAID THE FIGURES DO NOT NECESSARILY POINT TO A WEAKENING OF PERSONAL SAVINGS.

INVESTMENT IN PUBLIC AND CORPORATE BONDS AND INVESTMENT TRUSTS DIMINISHED 1,655.2 BILLION YEN AND 914.9 BILLION YEN, RESPECTIVELY.

POSTAL SAVINGS PLUNGED 60.5 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 1,018 BILLION YEN.

IN CONTRAST, WITH ASSISTANCE FROM HIGHER INTEREST RATES, BANK DEPOSITS LEAPED 39.9 PERCENT TO 10,192.1 BILLION YEN.

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#90347k0075 12/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 13) KYODO - THE GOVERNMENTAL POWER REACTOR AND NUCLEAR FUEL DEVELOPMENT CORP. (PRNFD) ANNOUNCED THURSDAY IT HAS AGREED TO SELL THE RIGHT TO DEVELOP AN URANIUM-RICH YELLOW CAKE DEPOSIT IN CANADA TO A PRIVATE COMPANY.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT, OVERSEAS URANIUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT CO. (OURD), OWNED

MAINLY BY JAPAN'S ELECTRIC POWER COMPANIES, IS EXPECTED TO START MINING URANIUM ORE IN 1994, IN A JOINT PROJECT INVOLVING THREE FOREIGN CONCERNS, PRNFD OFFICIALS SAID.

OURD WILL OBTAIN FROM THE PRNFD THE MINING RIGHT TO EXPLORE 15 PERCENT OF AN ESTIMATED 25,000 TONS OF YELLOW CAKE UNDERGROUND AT THE MIDWEST DEPOSIT, ABOUT 700 KILOMETERS NORTH OF SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN, THEY SAID.

TWO CANADIAN ENERGY RESOURCES COMPANIES, DENISON MINES LTD. AND BOW VALLEY INDUSTRIES LTD., AND GERMAN MINING CONCERN URANERZ EXPLORATION AND MINING LTD. HAVE THE RIGHTS TO THE REMAINING DEPOSITS.

OURD PLANS TO EXPLORE SOME 250 TONS A YEAR IN A 10-YEAR PERIOD, AND ALL THE URANIUM WILL BE EXPORTED TO JAPAN FOR NUCLEAR POWER GENERATION, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

AT PRESENT, THERE ARE 39 NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS IN OPERATION IN JAPAN, BUT NEARLY ALL THE NUCLEAR FUEL DEPENDS ON IMPORTED URANIUM. CURRENTLY, JAPAN IMPORTS SOME 6,000 TONS OF URANIUM A YEAR.

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#90347k0079 12/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 13) KYODO - KOKUSAI DENSHIN DENWA CO. (KDD), JAPAN'S INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS GIANT, SAID THURSDAY THAT IT WILL LAUNCH AN AIR-GROUND DATA COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE NEXT THURSDAY, USING A SATELLITE OF THE INTERNATIONAL MARINE SATELLITE ORGANIZATION (INMARSAT).

KDD HAS APPLIED TO THE MINISTRY OF POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS FOR PERMISSION TO LAUNCH THE SERVICE.

KDD OFFICIALS SAID THE SERVICE WILL MAKE POSSIBLE COMMUNICATION OF A MUCH BETTER QUALITY THAN THE PRESENT HIGH-FREQUENCY OR ULTRAHIGH FREQUENCY COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN AIRCRAFT AND THE GROUND.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THAT IN THE NEW SERVICE, AIRLINES ON THE GROUND MAY COMMUNICATE WITH PLANES FLYING ANYWHERE IN THE PACIFIC REGION, CONTRIBUTING TO SAFER FLIGHT.

THEY SAID KDD WILL ALSO START INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE SERVICE NEXT SPRING BETWEEN AIRCRAFT FLYING ANYWHERE IN THE PACIFIC REGION AND THE GROUND, USING AN INMARSAT SATELLITE.

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#90347k0085 12/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 13) KYODO - THE PRESIDENT OF KOKUSAI DENSHIN DENWA CO. (KDD), A JAPANESE OVERSEAS TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, HINTED THURSDAY AT CUTTING

OVERSEAS CALL RATES AS EARLY AS NEXT SPRING.

''WE HAVE YET TO DRAFT A SPECIFIC PLAN ... BUT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN OUR BASIC STANCE SO FAR OF CUTTING RATES EVERY YEAR,'' TAKAZO ISHII TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE.

KDD CUT INTERNATIONAL PHONE RATES IN NOVEMBER LAST YEAR AND IN APRIL THIS YEAR AFTER TWO NEWCOMERS MADE INROADS INTO THE INTERNATIONAL PHONE MARKET AT LOWER RATES IN OCTOBER 1989.

FOLLOWING KDD'S RATE REDUCTIONS, THE TWO RIVAL COMPANIES, INTERNATIONAL DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS INC. AND INTERNATIONAL TELECOM JAPAN INC., LOWERED THEIR CHARGES ON OVERSEAS CALLS BY A SLIGHT MARGIN IN SEPTEMBER.

IN OTHER REMARKS AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE, ISHII SAID HE EXPECTS KDD'S PRETAX PROFIT TO TOTAL 25 OR 26 BILLION YEN FOR FISCAL 1990 ENDING NEXT MARCH, UP FROM THE 24 BILLION YEN ESTIMATED EARLIER.

ISHII CITED STRONGER-THAN-EXPECTED GROWTH IN OVERSEAS CALLS AND SMALLER-THAN-EXPECTED LATENT LOSSES ON STOCK HOLDINGS DUE TO A RECOVERY OF THE TOKYO STOCK MARKET.

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#90347k0088 12/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TEHRAN (DEC. 13) KYODO - ALGERIAN PRESIDENT BEN DJEDID CHADLI ARRIVED HERE THURSDAY TO DISCUSS THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS WITH IRANIAN PRESIDENT HOJATOLESLAM ALI AKBAR HASHEMI RAFSANJANI.

CHADLI, ON A TWO-DAY VISIT, IS HEADING A DELEGATION WHICH INCLUDES FOREIGN MINISTER AHMED GHOZALI.

CHADLI WAS GREETED AT THE MEHRABAD AIRPORT BY RAFSANJANI, FOREIGN MINISTER ALI AKBAR VELLAYATI AND OTHER HIGH RANKING OFFICIALS.

CHADLI, WHO IS CURRENTLY TOURING THE MIDDLE EAST REGION, VISITED JORDAN ON WEDNESDAY AND FROM THERE WENT TO BAGHDAD TO TALK WITH IRAQI PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN.

THE ALGERIAN LEADER WILL LEAVE TEHRAN ON FRIDAY FOR OMAN AND THEN CONTINUE ON TO SYRIA.

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#90347k0090 12/13/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KATHMANDU (DEC. 13) KYODO - POLICE OPENED FIRE TO RESCUE FORMER PRIME MINISTER SURYA BAHADUR THAPA FROM AN ANGRY CROWD OF PEOPLE IN THE EASTERN TOWN OF BANEPA ON THURSDAY.

TWO PERSONS WERE WOUNDED IN THE POLICE ACTION, ACCORDING TO THE HOME MINISTRY.

SEVEN OTHERS WERE INJURED IN THE SCUFFLE WITH POLICE, WHICH BEGAN AFTER THE CROWD STARTED THROWING STONES AT A RALLY ORGANIZED IN THE TOWN BY THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

THAPA, NDP PRESIDENT AND THE TARGET OF THE ATTACK, WAS UNHURT. IN A BID TO ESCAPE ASSAULT, THAPA RAN INTO A NEARBY HOUSE, WHICH WAS SOON SURROUNDED BY THE ANGRY CROWD.

POLICE REINFORCEMENTS CHARGED WITH BATONS AND BURST TEAR-GAS SHELLS TO DISPERSE THE CROWD, WHICH WAS INTENT ON PUNISHING THE FORMER PREMIER FOR HIS ALLEGED MISDEEDS IN THE PAST.

AFTER THE MEASURES FAILED, POLICE OPENED FIRE AND RESCUED THAPA, WHO WAS LATER DRIVEN BACK HOME.

A CAR BELONGING TO THE FORMER PREMIER WAS BURNED AND OTHER VEHICLES WERE DAMAGED DURING THE ASSAULT.

THAPA, 62, WHO TWICE SERVED AS PRIME MINISTER OF NEPAL, WAS ADDRESSING AN ELECTION RALLY WHEN THE ASSAULT TOOK PLACE.

A LOCAL RESIDENT TOLD KYODO NEWS SERVICE BY TELEPHONE THAT THE ATTACK HAD BEEN PLANNED BY SOME TOWNFOLKS WHO HAD BEEN ANGRY WITH THAPA FOR AN ALLEGED ORDER TO SHOOT HE GAVE DURING HIS VISIT TO THE TOWN 10 YEARS AGO.

THE POLICE FIRING HAD INJURED A FARMER.

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#90347m0001 12/13/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 13) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

World stocks are higher: ... The Nikkei continues to rally, adding another 644 points. ... In London, the FTSE is up 7 points in the early afternoon. ... U.S. stocks in London are also higher. ... Bonds are up again overnight, with the long yield down to 8.06%. ... The dollar is mixed. ... After yesterday's selloff, oil is up 30 cents overseas to $26.10. ... "Reuters" reports that NCR CHAIRMAN CHARLES EXLEY says the company has received "expressions of interest" from third parties that could counter a hostile takeover bid by AT&T. ... A U.S. federal judge has ruled that QUASAR violated civil rights laws when it laid off most of its American managers in 1986, but kept all of its Japanese

mangers. ... AT&T and MCI have settled a series of lawsuits against each other. ... The TEAMSTERS union has lost its bid to represent more than 7,000 fleet service workers at USAIR GROUP INC. ... The head of the OPEC oil cartel says the world will be awash in oil if the Persian Gulf crisis is settled peacefully. ... Attorney generals in six states have filed suit against GMAC MORTGAGE CORP., accusing the lender of overcharging consumers by millions of dollars in escrow payments. ... The FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORP. says it won't buy adjustable rate mortgages when the down payment is less than 10%. ... COLUMBIA SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION has filed a $6 billion lawsuit against MICHAEL MILKEN.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The thrift industry will report that third-quarter losses doubled from the prior quarter to roughly $600 million. ... FORD MOTOR President BENTON says the company might have to reduce its dividend next year, given the sharp slump in car sales and the possibility of a war in the Mideast. ... CBS announces plans to buy up to $2 billion worth of its stock at 190 a share. ... Auto makers are forecasting another year of poor sales in 1991.

FROM THE BULLS:

"Based on my political forecast, you're looking at a 3052 [Dow], December 31, 1991," says BILL LEFEVRE of ADVEST. He bases his prediction on a study of stock market performance during the third year of Presidential terms. According to Lefevre, the market has averaged a 17.4% gain during Republican third years and 10.6% during Democratic. Lefevre says Presidents like to prime the economy as they enter their fourth year re-election bids, and George Bush will be no different. "Don't forget, his father was a partner at Brown Brothers Harriman, so he knows something about Wall Street, too." (CNBC "Business View", 12/12)

"From a long-term perspective, I think [the stock market] looks like gangbusters - it's very, very positive," says JOHN WOSCZYNA, technical analyst at RONEY & CO. He sees the utilities, transport and industrial averages drifting up into a mid-January high when the market will have a consolidation and correction of the advance. "But all of this, I believe, is part of the major bottom for a Dow move that should take us in excess of 4000." He believes the market bottomed in October from a "good cyclical decline" and "is rejuvenating for a good cyclical advance now." (CNBC "The Moneywheel", 12/12)

"There's enough money out there to build the ... [Dow] above 3000," says GLENN CUTLER, publisher of "Market Mania" and "Market Fax." Unless the effect of the recent "feel-good stuff" in the Middle East goes away, Cutler expects a positive tone for the stock market in the remainder of this month. He thinks institutions will continue to look for and buy smaller, depressed companies. ("Investor's Daily", 12/13)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I think what you're looking at here is a legitimate, wedge type of formation - right from the bottom in October - and we are in the latter stages of it," says technical analyst WALTER MURPHY at MERRILL-LYNCH. "And once it is completed, you'll renew the downtrend that began in July." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/12)

STOCK MARKET:

Yesterday "could be the closing high [in the Dow] for a week or two," says DON HAYS, director of investment strategy for WHEAT FIRST SECURITIES INC. in Richmond, Va. "Toward the last of December ... something will come along to blast this thing out, and we will begin a very strong one-to-two-year bull market." Mr. Hays says his company's statistical studies show the Dow has the potential to move up 28% to 35% within the next twelve months. ("Investor's Daily", 12/13)

"The market's in a speculative mode, stimulated by deals and rumors of deals," says ROBERT STOVALL, president of STOVALL/TWENTY-FIRST ADVISERS, explaining the rise in the Dow on Wednesday. "The market action is impressive," he says, "in the face of Ford's management saying that the dividend is not secure and G.M., which is a bellwether for the direction of market prices, falling to a 12-month low of 34 1/2. It suggests that the market is in a frothy, upbeat mode." (NYT, 12/13)

"The market is still dominated by Middle East commentary and news," says RON DORAN at C.L. KING & ASSOCIATES. "If possible, I'd use moves like this [advance] to lighten up" on stocks. ("USA Today", 12/13)

"In October, I found that the people I talked to ... were more universally pessimistic than at any time in the 50 years that I've been an investment counselor," says JOHN TEMPLETON, head of the TEMPLETON FUNDS. "We've been buying stocks now for the past six or eight weeks - every day." ("USA Today", 12/13)

JACK CONLON at ROTHSCHILD says the prospect of further interest rate easing by the FEDERAL RESERVE has prompted "some good, old-fashioned American institutional buying." ("The Washington Post", 12/13)

"Every year, tax-loss selling starts earlier," says BILL ROTHE, head of OTC trading at ALEX. BROWN & SONS INC., who believes that we are already seeing the "January effect." Mr. Rothe has also noticed how bargin-buying has progressed over the past week or so, and he predicts that it will spill over to the retail arena. The cash on the sidelines needs a place to go, and equities look more appealing as interest rates come down, he says. ("Investor's Daily", 12/13)

PHILIP ROTH, chief technical analyst at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS INC. says that the public has remained conservative and has been a net seller recently. The buying has come from aggressive professionals, the "gunslingers." Mr. Roth recommends that the conservative investors stay on the sidelines and wait to see how deep the recession will be." ("Investor's Daily", 12/13)

"I've got all the stocks I want," says JIM CRAIG, manager of the JANUS FUND. He was a buyer of stocks in October and November, when he cut his cash from 75% to 50%. (USA Today", 12/13)

STOCK TIPS:

"Financial assets like stocks and bonds do better in recessions than buying anything you can touch, like diamonds and gold," says SUNG WON SOHN at NORWEST CORP. "The wild card is the Persian Gulf. A quick solution would help the markets. A messy war would really hurt." He says long-term Treasury bonds and growth stocks like WAL-MART and COCA-COLA should outperform the broad market in a recession that will persist through most of 1991. ("USA Today", 12/13)

Despite the bleak outlook for the retail industry the warehouse clubs, like the PRICE CLUB, SAM'S CLUB, COSTCO WHOLESALE CLUB and PACE MEMBERSHIP WAREHOUSE, are thriving. "I can't think of another retail format that has the possibility of a 20 to 25 percent growth rate for the next four to five years " says SARAH STACK, an analyst with BATEMAN EICHLER, HILL RICHARDS in Los Angeles. JACK SEIBALD, an analyst with SALOMON BROTHERS in New York, estimates that the warehouse club industry, which had sales of $17.8 billion last year, will grow 24% this year, to $22.1 billion. Within five years, Mr. Seibald estimates, the industry could top $50 billion in sales. (NYT, 12/13)

It's not too late to buy toy stocks, according to KIDDER PEABODY'S GARY JACOBSON, who says toy stocks tend to perform better in the first half of the year. "HASBRO and MATTELL have been the big winners this year ... I think next year is going to be even better for those stocks," says Jacobson. If Mattell's Barbie was a stand alone company, it would be the third largest toymaker. Avoid GALOOB which Jacobson calls a classic one-product company. (CNN "Business Morning", 12/13)

Toy stocks are a specialty of DAVID LEIBOWITZ, senior vice president of AMERICAN SECURITIES CORPORATION. He likes a special situation in PETRIE STORES which owns a very large stake in TOYS R US. According to Leibowitz, the per share value of the Toys R Us stake is worth more than the current value of the Petrie shares. "Which means I'm getting all of Petrie for free, or I'm buying Toys R Us at a very nice discount," says Leibowitz. Depressed stocks to watch are GALOOB, UNIVERSAL MATCHBOX and TONKA. "They are the guys who have been beaten down mercilessly and, if things go right next year, can give you pretty interesting rewards." (CNBC "Smart Money", 12/12)

"We have never been willing to tell what we are buying," says JOHN TEMPLETON of the TEMPLETON FUNDS. "But we recently finished out buying in MERRILL LYNCH KEMPER CORP. and FIRST FINANCIAL SERVICES. "You have to look for those industries that other people are really frightened about. The financial services field is one of the great growth industries -- not only in America, but worldwide." ("USA 3 Today", 12/13)

HEIKO THIEME, of THIEME ASSOCIATES, says that he likes HILTON HOTELS, but it has about reached its target price, so he would now rate it as a hold. He does not hold much stock in the buyout rumors for Hilton. He likes NCR, FORD MOTORS and CITICORP. As for Ford Motors he says, "even at the risk of a dividend cut" the stock "represents excellent value." (FNN "Marketwatch P.M." 12/12)

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MALVERN, Pa. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Centocor, Inc. (NASDAQ: CNTO) today announced that it has entered into a definitive agreement to acquire the St. Louis manufacturing and development facilities of Invitron Corporation (St. Louis, Mo.), together with related technology, at a cost of $6 million.

The assets being acquired by Centocor include a 48,000 sq. ft. mammalian cell culture manufacturing plant, built in 1986, as well as leased premises of 44,000 sq. ft. for laboratories and offices. Also included are patents, know-how and licenses to mammalian cell culture technology developed by Monsanto and Invitron. Pending approval of the transaction by Invitron's stockholders, Centocor will operate the facilities under an interim operating agreement. Approximately 65 Invitron employees are being offered immediate employment with Centocor.

"This acquisition accelerates Centocor's growth by strengthening our manufacturing base in the United States and affording us the opportunity for substantial technological synergies," said James E. Wavle, Jr., Centocor's president. "And, it immediately increases our operating flexibility. Now, we can dedicate our recently expanded facility in Leiden, Holland, to preparations for the launch of Centoxin - our first major pharmaceutical - while scaling up production of our earlier stage pharmaceutical products at the new facility in St. Louis."

Wavle indicated that Centocor did not intend to enter the contract manufacturing business. "Centocor has a number of promising new antibodies in early clinical trials, and the Invitron manufacturing technology is highly compatible with our own," he added. "Thus, we can move key cell lines into St. Louis very rapidly and take advantage of the expertise and capabilities of the outstanding people there.

"We have always said that Centocor intends to capitalize on the opportunities

that will emerge as the shake out in biotechnology progresses. This acquisition uniquely fits Centocor's strategy. We are thoroughly delighted with the value we have been able to obtain for Centocor's stockholders," Wavle concluded.

Centocor, Inc., based in Malvern, Pa., develops, manufactures and markets diagnostic and pharmaceutical products for human health care. The company's products are base on monoclonal antibody technology and are primarily intended for use in the management of patients with infectious, cardiovascular and autoimmune disease and cancer.

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#90347p2738 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPOKANE, Wash. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Inland Gold and Silver Corp. (NASDAQ: INGS), manager of a joint venture with N.A. Degerstrom Inc. and Pegasus Gold Corp. (AMEX, Toronto: PGU), announced today that preliminary results of recent exploration on their Republic, Wash., property has been very encouraging. The 5,000-acre property is located adjacent to major gold deposits that are now in producton in a joint venture between Echo Bay (AMEX: ECO) and Crown Resources (NASDAQ: CRRS).

Three new targets have been identified based on geologic structures, alteration and gold geochemistry. The most promising target is located just south of the newly announced Echo Bay Lamefoot gold discovery. This new target contains up to 0.10 oz Au/ton in outcrop samples. A soil geochemical survey has produced a large gold anomaly in the target area. Immediate follow-up has been planned, including additional geochemical sampling and trenching.

Inland's President Steven C. Potter stated, "To date, extensive preliminary exploration has been conducted on this exciting project and we are extremely encouraged by these new developments. Drilling is expected to commence on these targets in early 1991."

Inland Gold and Silver Corp. mines and explores for precious metals in the Western United States. The company's Toiyabe Mine, a 34,000-acre property located on the Eureka/Battle Mountain Mineral Belt in Central Nevada has yielded approximately 74,000 ounces of gold to date with production ongoing. Negotiations for a joint venture agreement for major exploration at the Toiyabe, including deep drilling, are now underway. In addition, Inland owns a 50 percent interest in the Blackfoot Project near Lincoln, Mont., with N.A. Degerstrom Inc. The property contains approximately 100,000 ounces of mineable gold reserves.

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#90347p2754 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
LONDON (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of Waterford Wedgwood plc today announced that following an intensive review of the group's operations and prospects, a strategic plan has been developed for the future growth of the crystal and ceramic businesses whereby they will operate independently.

Statement by Paddy Byrne In a statement today Byrne said that he fully supported the decision of the board to provide for the separation and independent management of the ceramic and crystal businesses but, since he could see no appropriate role for himself in the new structure, he would be leaving the group.

He added that he was encouraged by the results now coming through in spite of the difficult economic situation. He said that the management team had been strengthened considerably in recent years and this, together with the work done to improve the condition of the company, should underpin the future success he envisaged for the group.

Byrne said that in his nearly four years with the group, Wedgwood had been developed successfully and had been supported by an improvement in the level and calibre of marketing investment and programs which had helped embellish the image of Wedgwood as one of the world's leading brands. He added that substantial cost savings had been achieved at Waterford Crystal which were so fundamental for its future success.

Recalling the group's huge burden of debt when he became chief executive officer last year, Byrne highlighted "the immense improvement in the overall financial health of the group, brought about by effective cost and cash management, and most importantly, the Shuttleway investment in the company earlier this year. The first half results for the group showed a debt figure of Irish punt 34.9 million at June 30, 1990, compared with Irish punt 145.3 million a year earlier."

Profile Following 23 years with Ford in Europe where he had held senior positions in the United Kingdom, Switzerland, Ireland and Portugal, before becoming vice chairman and managing director of Ford Spain in 1981, Paddy Byrne, now aged 49, joined the then named Waterford Glass Group plc in January 1987. After a brief period in the United States he was named chief executive of the Wedgwood Group of companies and appointed to the main board. In January 1989 he was given the added responsibility of the Waterford operations in Ireland and he was appointed group chief executive officer of Waterford Wedgwood plc in April 1989.

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(Barlaston), 44-782-282111, all of Waterford Wedgwood plc; or Alex Sandberg or Simon Rothschild of College Hill Associates, in London, 44-71-236-2020, or Michael Dennehy of Dennehy Associates, in Dublin 353-1-681533, for Waterford Wedgwood

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - W.R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA) announced today an agreement for a subsidiary to purchase Berisford International PLC's 25 percent partnership interest in Grace Cocoa.

Upon completion of the transaction for approximately $75 million, Grace will have a 100 percent ownership of Grace Cocoa, the market leader in the production and sale of intermediate cocoa and chocolate products to the bakery dairy and confectionery business. Principal products include cocoa butter, cocoa powder, cocoa liquor, chocolate and compound coatings and cookie drops. The purchase, expected to be completed in early 1991, has been approved by the boards of Grace and Berisford, and is subject to various conditions, including Grace receiving clearance under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act.

In commenting on the transaction, J.P. Bolduc, president of W.R. Grace & Co., said: "In 1987, Grace implemented an aggressive strategy to focus on the specialized business of cocoa processing that it had entered nearly 30 years ago. Grace's worldwide reputation for quality products and its management expertise in this industry have helped develop Grace Cocoa into a world-class, high-growth business." Bolduc explained: "Grace is in the midst of a number of transactions designed to upgrade the company's business mix -- exiting businesses that are not strategic or core to Grace's future and aggressively pursuing growth in areas where Grace has important worldwide niche positions that afford higher-than-average returns and growth, like specialized intermediate cocoa and chocolate production."

Grace has been a leader in the cocoa industry since 1964, when it acquired Ambrosia Chocolate and Cacao De Zaan, world leaders in cocoa processing. In 1988, Grace and Berisford combined their cocoa processing businesses, creating Grace Cocoa, in which Grace owned 75 percent and Berisford owned 25 percent.

Grace Cocoa, with projected 1991 sales of more than $750 million, is the world's largest processor of cocoa beans, handling approximately 10 percent of the world's crop each year. Grace Cocoa consists of Ambrosia Chocolate Company in Wisconsin, New Jersey and North Carolina; Merckens Chocolate Company in Massachusetts; Cacao De Zaan B.V. and Berisford Cacao Nederland B.V. in the Netherlands; De Zaan Far East Pte. Ltd. in Singapore; Kakao-und Schokoladenwerke GmbH in Germany; Soboca in France; and affiliates in Ecuador and the Ivory Coast.

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#90347p2761 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - RWE-DEA and Vista Chemical Company (NYSE: VC) today jointly announced that they have signed a definitive merger agreement providing for the acquisition of all outstanding common shares of Vista Chemical Company by RWE-DEA for $55 per share in cash. The aggregate value of the transaction is approximately $590 million, excluding indebtedness assumed.

The definitive agreement provides for a cash tender offer of $55 for each share of Vista's common stock by a wholly owned RWE-DEA subsidiary. The tender offer will commence no later than Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1990, and will be followed by a cash merger in which any shares not tendered will be converted into cash at the same price. It is expected that the offer will be consummated by early 1991, and that the merger will be consummated on July 1, 1991 for German accounting considerations.

The total amount of funds required to purchase all outstanding shares and to pay related fees and expenses will be provided by RWE-DEA from its general corporate funds. As of Oct. 31, 1990, RWE-DEA had cash and cash equivalents calculated in accordance with German GAAP of DM 1,219 million (or $802.45 million, on the basis of the exchange rate prevailing on Oct. 31, 1990 of 1.5191 DM equals US$1.00).

RWE-DEA, formerly known as Deutsche Texaco AG, is a major German company engaged directly or through subsidiaries in oil refining and marketing as well as the exploration and production of oil and natural gas. In addition, the company manufactures a wide range of petrochemical basics and chemical products, including olefins, aromatics, oxygen-containing solvents, intermediates, fine chemicals, specialties, synthetic resins, surfactant-range alcohols, alumina hydrates and alumina. For the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989, RWE-DEA had consolidated annual sales in excess of DM 15.3 billion ($9.05 billion) with a net income of DM 204.2 million ($120 million). U.S. dollar figures for 1989 are calculated on the basis of the exchange rate prevailing on Dec. 31, 1989 of DM 1.6978 equals US$1.00. RWE-DEA employs approximately 6,200 people. Its principal executive offices are located in Hamburg, Federal Republic of Germany.

RWE-DEA is an independent operating subsidiary of RWE AG, a publicly held holding company, which through its six operating subsidiaries is engaged in electricity generation, mining, oil and chemicals, machinery, construction and waste management. RWE AG owns more than 99 percent of RWE-DEA's stock, with the remainder widely held by public stockholders. RWE-DEA accounted for approximately 36 percent of RWE AG's 1989/90 consolidated annual revenues of DM 44 billion (approximately $27 billion, on the basis of the June 29, 1990

exchange rate of DM 1.6658 equals US$1.00.)

Headquartered in Houston, Vista Chemical Company is an integrated producer of commodity and specialty chemicals. It is a Delaware corporation whose products include surfactant intermediates, polyvinyl chloride (PVC) resins and compounds, and industrial chemicals. These products are sold worldwide into such diverse markets as household laundry detergents, shampoos, cosmetics and other personal care products, automobile interior trim and fittings, vinyl packaging materials, home siding, wire and cable coatings, pipe, catalysts and printing inks. The company produces ethylene, normal paraffins and vinyl chloride monomer, primarily for internal use.

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#90347p2762 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDLAND, VA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ross Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROSX) today announced the signing of a new sales, marketing and service agreement covering its Ross horizontal packaging machines.

Robert Reiser & Co. of Canton, Mass., one of the nation's largest sales and service organizations in processing and packaging machinery, will provide those services for Ross in the United States and Canada.

The agreement is effective immediately, according to Henry Ross, chairman and chief executive officer of Ross Industries.

"We believe the Ross horizontal packaging machine is the top-of-the-line and we at Ross want to concentrate on design and manufacturing. Reiser has a long-standing reputation in sales, marketing and service and this agreement will allow each of us to do what we do best," Ross said.

The Ross packaging machines are constructed totally of stainless steel and are designed for complete washdown and sanitation. The equipment will be introduced to the Reiser sales team at their annual meeting next week.

The Ross horizontal packaging group will continue to be managed by Mike Gorlich.

Ross Industries is a manufacturer of high-quality machinery used in processing packaging and freezing food products sold domestically and internationally.

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#90347p2764 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Two personal copiers designed for small businesses and home offices and backed by a three-year "Total Satisfaction Guarantee" were announced today by Xerox Corporation (NYSE: XRX).

The Xerox 5240 and 5260 personal copiers are compact, lightweight models designed for use where space is at a premium and high-quality copies are required.

Both copiers produce eight copies per minute and are recommended for an average monthly volume of 1,000 copies. They have moving platens that copy originals up to 8 1/2 by 14 inches. They both also have automatic exposure control, an automatic power-saver mode, a customer-installable copy cartridge and a customer-installable dry-ink cartridge.

In addition, the 5260 offers reduction and enlargement at 64, 75 and 124 percent of original size.

Under the terms of the Xerox "Total Satisifaction Guarantee," customers decide for themselves whether that equipment is performing to their satisfaction.

If the 5240 or 5260 personal copiers are found unsatisfactory within three years of the date of purchase, the customer is entitled to have it replaced with an identical or comparable unit. Xerox pays all costs associated with the replacement.

The 5240 and 5260 personal copiers also come with three-year limited warranties that cover all labor and parts, conditional on the use of new Xerox copy cartridges.

The copy cartridge for the 5240 and 5260, which contains much of the xerographic imaging system, can be installed in seconds. It yields 9,000 copies. Equally easy to replace, the dry-ink cartridge used in both machines yields up to 3,000 copies. Operators can add color by using optional red, blue, green or brown dry-ink cartridges.

The Xerox 5240 personal copier has a list price of $1,295. The Xerox 5260 personal copier's list price is $1,695.

Both copiers will be available next month and will be distributed nationwide through authorized Xerox retailers, direct mail and catalog distributors.

For more information, call 800-832-6979, ext. 608B.

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GREENWICH, CT (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Viral Response Systems (NASDAQ: VRSI) of Greenwich, Conn., the manufacturer of the Viralizer with ViraSpray, for the relief of cold, sinusitis, allergy and sore throat symptoms, announced today that it has requested that the Federal Trade Commission investigate Walgreens of Deerfield, Ill., the nation's largest drug store chain, for deliberately spreading false and malicious rumors in its Chicago area stores about the Viralizer, in an attempt to put the company out of business. Walgreen pharmacists have been telling customers that "the Viralizer has been recalled" and "Viral Response is out of business" for more than the past year, asserts Robert S. Krauser, president.

In numerous studies including two conducted by the University of California San Diego Medical Center and presented to the American College of Allergy and Immunology, the Viralizer has been found to be both safe and effective in reducing nasal air resistance, an objective measure of upper respiratory health.

"We have received numerous frantic phone calls, especially from elderly customers, who have been told by Walgreen pharmacists that we are out of business. We have called and written to Charles 'Corky' Walgreen III and his employees on numerous occasions, but they persist in this malicious campaign. Most of our customers are thrilled at the relief and reduction in medical care costs provided by the Viralizer and maybe that concerns Mr. Walgreen. Walgreen's claims to care about its customers but it appears that 'Corky' has a cold heart."

Among the Chicagoland Walgreen's stores that have disseminated this malicious disinformation are numerous Chicago area locations including: Glenview, Naperville, Dalton, Mundelein, Vernon Hills, Palos Park area and Hammond, Ind.

In fact, the Viralizer and ViraSpray refills are carried on wholesaler microfiche installed in Walgreen's Chicagoland stores and Walgreen's Chicagoland competitors carry the Viralizer. "Walgreens may be concerned that high profile Chicagoans including the leading television anchor, drive time radio personality, sportscaster and television 'doctor' are all satisfied Viralizer users," Krauser said.

"One grandmother from Northfield, Ill., who loves her Viralizer and is also gratified at the positive results on her grandchildren's early cold symptoms called in a panic, after two Chicago Walgreen pharmacists told her the Viralizer was out of business. When she was advised that she could easily buy refills at numerous Chicago area stores, she exclaimed, 'Those Walgreens bastards, they don't care about us, all they care about are their profits,'" Krauser added.

Viral Response said the nation's $600 billion annual medical bill is a serious problem and it hopes that the Federal Trade Commission will find the time to

investigate why the nation's largest drug store chain is trying to drive the Viralizer out of business.

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PASADENA, CALIF. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Countrywide Credit Industries Inc. (NYSE: CCR) today announced net earnings of $6,084,000, or $.30 primary earnings per share and $.27 fully diluted earnings per share, for the third quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990. The primary and fully diluted per share calculations are based on 17,356,000 and 23,545,000 weighted average shares outstanding, respectively.

The fully diluted earnings per share number of $.027 represents a 33 percent increase over the comparable prior-year quarter. In last year's third quarter Countrywide's net earnings were $3,729,000 or $.21 per primary share and $.20 per fully diluted share.

Net earnings for the nine months ended Nov. 30, 1990 were $15,531,000, or $.81 per primary share and $.76 per fully diluted share, compared to the prior-year nine-month period, when net earnings were $9,635,000, or $.55 per primary share and $.53 per fully diluted share.

Countrywide's board of directors declared a cash dividend of $.07 per share for the third quarter, payable Jan. 11, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 27, 1990.

"Our strong third quarter results demonstrate Countrywide's ability to increase its earnings and grow its servicing portfolio to $14.3 billion despite a market environment impacted by the Persian Gulf crisis and the credit crunch," stated David S. Loeb, chairman. "Countrywide increased its residential mortgage origination volume by capturing market share from traditional competitors."

Countrywide Credit Industries Inc. is engaged primarily in the mortgage lending business, originating, selling and servicing residential mortgage loans. Countrywide produces loans through four divisions. Its Retail Division operates a nationwide network of 91 offices serving real estate brokers and homebuyers; its correspondent division serves regional savings and loans, commercial banks, credit unions and smaller mortgage bankers in 50 states; its wholesale division funds loans for pre-approved mortgage brokers nationwide; and the consumer division makes mortgage loans directly to individual homeowners across the country via telephone and by mail.

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Credit Industries Inc.

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#90347p2769 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Department of Health has granted a license to Smithkline Beecham (NYSE: SBH) for the marketing of Seroxat(R) (paroxetine) in the United Kingdom for the treatment of symtoms of depressive illness of all types including depression accompanied by anxiety.

Seroxat(R) will be available to the U.K. medical profession in early 1991, marking the first of a number of new psychotropic products within the SmithKline Beecham portfolio. A New Drug Application for the drug under the trade name Aropax(R) has been filed with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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#90347p2770 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Imo Industries Inc. (NYSE: IMD) announced today it has declared a fourth quarter dividend of $.125 per share, payable on Jan. 16, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

IMO supplies analytical and optical instruments, electronic and mechanical controls, engineered power products and their support services to industrial and defense customers worldwide.

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#90347p2773 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
BUFFALO, NY (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Cellular Products, Inc. (NASDAQ: CELP), a company engaged in the development and marketing of biotechnology products, announced today that it has signed a letter of intent with Finsystems, S.r.l., Genoa, Italy, whereby Finsystems will purchase 25 percent of the outstanding common stock of Cellular Products for $1,550,000. Finsystems will have the right for a limited period of time to increase its holdings to 50 percent of Cellular Products' common stock for an additional equity investment of $1,550,000.

Finsystems owns 55 percent of the stock of Medical Systems, S.p.A., which is Cellular Products' largest distributor, presently accounting for approximately 15 percent of the company's overall product sales. Additionally, Medical Systems, S.p.A., accounts for the majority of the revenue the company realizes from the sale of its two FDA-licensed blood screening tests for AIDS and

HTLV-I, respectively. Medical Systems, S.p.A., headquartered in Genoa, Italy, is also 45 percent owned by Diagnostic Products, Inc. (NYSE: DPC), of Los Angeles.

Richard A. Montagna, president, stated, "We have had a long-standing relationship with Medical Systems and this expanded relationship represents a unique and exciting opportunity for us." Jeffrey N. Meshulam, chairman, further added, "Medical Systems has aggressively and effectively marketed our products over a long period of time and we plan to integrate our strong science and product development capabilities with their proven marketing expertise."

CONTACT: Richard A. Montagna, Ph.D., president of Cellular Products, 716-882-0920

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CHARLOTTE, NC (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - United Dominion Industries (TSE,NYSE: UDI) today announced the appointment of C. Benjamin Rouse as a senior vice president.

Mr. Rouse will work with William R. Holland, chairman and chief executive officer, and other members of the United Dominion senior management group on a variety of assignments in the Company's operations and in the execution of the Company's acquisition and broad-based strategic planning activities.

Most recently, Mr. Rouse has been executive vice president and chief operating officer of Alghanim Industries, the largest non-government owned business in Kuwait. He has held various senior management positions in the Alghanim Industries organization during the past 10 years.

From 1976-80 he was a group vice president of United Dominion after serving as president of United Dominion's Varco-Pruden Buildings division.

Earlier, he spent 14 years in various management positions with General Electric Company, after earning an engineering degree from Georgia Tech.

United Dominion Industries (formerly AMCA International) serves three primary markets: non-residential construction, energy, and industrial. Principal products and services include pre-engineered buildings, construction services, steel fabrication and erection, petrochemical-related engineering services, compaction equipment, food equipment and aerospace components.

CONTACT: Robert L. Shaffer of United Dominion at 704-347-6875.

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#90347p2776 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) announced today the enhancement of its military leave of absence policy for employees called to active duty during the Persian Gulf crisis.

Kodak will lift the six-month limit on its military leave policy and will extend benefits for up to a year. In addition, employees on military leave may continue health care coverage for their dependents by paying the usual employee cost or by switching to Kmed, a Kodak medical plan which requires no out-of-pocket premiums.

"The continuation of coverage under Kodak's health care plans for up to one year provides greater assurance that the dependents can continue to use present health care providers and plan provisions," said Pat McLarney, Kodak's director of Corporate Compensation & Benefits.

CONTACT: Darlene J. Aiken of Eastman Kodak Company, 716-724-4726

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - WestAir's Atlantic Coast Division, which operates as United Express, this week celebrates the anniversary of its first full year of operation from Washington's Dulles International Airport.

Saturday, Dec. 15 marks one year to the day since Atlantic Coast/United Express commenced operations on the East Coast, initially serving six cities in five Eastern states from Washington Dulles.

When Atlantic Coast commenced operations Dec. 15, 1989, the carrier served six cities from Dulles with a total of 48 daily departures and a fleet of six aircraft. On Dec. 15, exactly one year later, the carrier serves a total of 23 cities in eight states with 177 daily departures and a fleet of 23 aircraft. This represents an increase of nearly 200 percent. During this same period, the airline's work force has increased from approximately 75 associates to more than 500.

In addition to Washington Dulles, the following is a list of cities currently served by Atlantic Coast/United Express:

Allentown/Bethlehem, Pa.	Lynchburg, Va.
Asheville, N.C.	New Bern, N.C.
Binghamton, N.Y.	Newport News, Va.
Boston	Pitt-Greenville, N.C.
Charleston, S.C.	Pittsburgh
Charlotte, N.C.	Raleigh/Durham, N.C.
Columbia, S.C.	Shenandoah Valley, Va.
Columbus, Ohio	Stewart/Newburgh, N.Y.

Greenville/Spartanburg, S.C.	Syracuse, N.Y.
Islip/Long Island, N.Y.	White Plains, N.Y.
Knoxville, Tenn.	Wilkes-Barre/Scranton, Pa.

Also, United Express will soon announce plans for additional expansion to occur during the first quarter of 1991.

As a marketing partner with United Airlines, United Express offers its customers many United Airlines benefits, including worldwide reservations, advance seat selection and boarding passes. Members of United's popular Mileage Plus frequent flier program earn a minimum of 500 miles on all United Express flights, and senior citizens may participate in United Silver Wings program which offers a variety of travel-related discounts.

WestAir, a subsidiary of WestAir Holding, Inc. (AMEX: WAH), operates as United Express and consists of two divisions -- the Atlantic Coast Division, with hub operations at Washington Dulles, and the Pacific Coast Division, with hubs at Los Angeles; San Francisco; Portland; Seattle; Sacramento and Fresno, Calif. Headquartered in Fresno, WestAir Holding, Inc. is one of the largest regional airlines in the United States, operating more than 800 daily flights to 64 cities in 14 states and the District of Columbia. In early 1989, the company was named "Regional Airline of the Year" by Air Transport World Magazine.

CONTACT: Paul E. Pike, Corporate Communications, United Express, 703-709-0105.

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#90347p2780 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Thrifty Tel Inc., (NASDAQ: 3THRFQ) a long distance telephone service company, today announced the company's first quarter results for the period ended Aug. 31, 1990.

Revenue for the period reached $1,796,796, an increase of $218,576 over revenue of $1,578,220 reported in the comparable prior year period. Net income totaled $137,409 for the first quarter period ended Aug. 31, 1990, an increase of $80,033 or 140 percent, compared to net income of $57,376 for the same prior year period. The company reported a weighted average of 20,167,419 shares outstanding or earnings of .007 cents per share for the quarter.

In addition to the Flat Rate and WATS services, the company introduced three new products during its first quarter 1991: 1. "Equal Access," a long distance service designed for the residential consumer; 2. "Digital Direct Access", a high cap DS-1 service for the businesses with high monthly telephone service usage volume; and 3. "The 800 Connection," an 800 toll calling service for one flat rate for each minute of actual usage rather than varied rates based on volume, location and time of day or evening. These products offer digital quality long distance telephone service at extremely competitive rates.

Management of Thrifty Tel further reported that on Nov. 9. 1990, the company filed a formal Plan of Reorganization and Disclosure Statement with the Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California.

Thrifty Tel Inc. is a long distance telephone service company headquartered in Garden Grove, Calif., with additional sales and marketing facilities located in Sherman Oaks, Calif., San Bernardino, Calif., and San Diego. The company offers digital fiber optic quality service at extremely competitive rates and is duly approved by the California Public Utilities Commission.

CONTACT: Rebecca J. Bigley of Thrifty Tel Inc., 714-740-2880

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#90347p2781 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - PLM Equipment Growth Fund and PLM Equipment Growth Fund II, California limited partnerships sponsored by PLM International Inc. today announced quarterly cash distributions. PLM Equipment Growth Fund (AMEX: GFX) declared a distribution of $0.575 per outstanding depositary unit, payable Feb. 15, 1990, to unitholders of record as of Dec. 31 1990.

PLM Equipment Growth Fund II (AMEX: GFY) declared a distribution of 55 cents per outstanding depositary unit, payable Feb. 15, 1990, to unitholders of record as of Dec. 31, 1990.

PLM Equipment Growth Fund is a $120 million income-oriented limited partnership formed in May 1986 and listed for trading on the American Stock Exchange June 1, 1989. PLM Equipment Growth Fund II is a $150 million income-oriented limited partnership formed in March, 1987 and listed for trading on the American Stock Exchange Nov. 20, 1990. Both limited partnerships were formed to acquire, manage and lease a diversified portfolio of used transportation equipment.

The general partner for PLM Equipment Growth Fund and PLM Equipment Growth Fund II is PLM Financial Services Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of PLM International Inc.

San Francisco-based PLM International is an equipment leasing company engaged in the leasing and management of transportation equipment and in operating leases domestically and internationally, as well as the syndication of capital equipment leasing investments. The company operates and manages over $1.3 billion of transportation equipment and related assets for its account and various investment partnerships and third party accounts.

CONTACT: Valerie Carattini-Cooke of PLM International, 415-544-8227

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#90347p2782 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
DOMINGUEZ, CALIF. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Pic 'N' Save Corp. (NASDAQ: PICN) has announced the appointment, effective immediately, of two executives to its senior management.

Allan L. Pennington, 50, was named to the newly created position of senior vice president, administration. His responsibilities include finance, warehousing and distribution, real estate, human resources, and management information systems. Pennington recently served as vice president, business development for Sears Specialty Merchandising in Chicago, a team established to start a specialty store division apart from the parent Sears, Roebuck & Co.

John F. Hoffner, 44, was named vice president and chief financial officer. In addition to his responsibilities for the company's finance and treasury operations, he will oversee loss prevention and administrative services. Hoffner joined Pic 'N' Save in 1988 and most recently served as Pic 'N' Save's vice president, controller.

William M. Jacobs, Jr., who served as senior vice president, chief financial officer, will be leaving the company at the end of the year to pursue other interests. In making the announcement, Len Williams, president and chief executive officer, stated that, "Bill Jacobs advised the company last March of his desire to leave, and we are very appreciative for his willingness to remain with the company until the end of the year and through the difficult period of the proxy solicitation contest. We wish Bill the best."

Williams also indicated that Al Pennington will play a key role in efforts to streamline the company's support organization and to improve productivity.

The company, through its subsidiary PNS Stores Inc., operates a chain of 190 retail stores in the West and the South. These stores all specialize in new, closeout, general merchandise which is sold at substantial reductions from original retail prices.

CONTACT: John F. Hoffner, VP, CFO, Pic 'N' Save Corp., 213-761-4246; David S. McAdam of Sitrick & Co., 213-208-1108, for Pic 'N' Save

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#90347p2787 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
JACKSON, MS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobile Telecommunication Technologies Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: MTTL) announced today that its subsidiary SkyTel Corp. has completed an agreement for a $30 million revolving credit and term loan facility. The loan agreement is with Chemical Bank and Credit Lyonnais, New York Branch.

"We believe that the establishment of this credit facility during these

uncertain economic times confirms our optimism in the future success of Mtel's nationwide paging business, as well as its other telecommunications operations and investments," said J. Robert Fugate, chief financial officer of Mtel.

"This new credit facility will enable us to continue to develop our core business SkyTel Corp., the country's leading supplier of satellite- based nationwide paging and voice messaging services," said Fugate. "The line of credit will be used primarily for general corporate expenditures for SkyTel in the U.S., including the purchase of new SkyPagers which are needed to meet growing demand. It will also fund further investment in our operations both overseas and domestically."

The revolving credit facility will be converted on Sept. 30, 1992, into a three-year term loan payable in 12 quarterly payments commencing on Dec. 31, 1992. Borrowings by SkyTel under this credit facility will be guaranteed by the company and certain operating subsidiaries, and will be secured by substantially all of the assets of the company, SkyTel and such operating subsidiaries.

Mtel, headquartered in Jackson, is engaged in businesses that include nationwide paging and voice messaging services in the United States; nationwide paging services and paging system manufacturing in the United Kingdom; interests in other satellite-based telecommunications systems; telephone answering service operations; and a digital microwave system serving southern California.

CONTACT: David Allan, 212-614-5163, or Michael Claes, 212-614-5236, both of Burson-Marsteller, for Mtel

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HAUPPAUGE, N.Y. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - United-Guardian, Inc. (AMEX: UG), today announced that the U.S. Patent Office has granted it a patent on a new stabilized form of Beta-Carotene that dissolves readily and maintains its activity for long periods of time.

Ordinary Beta-Carotene has been linked in medical studies to a decrease in the risk of heart attacks, especially when used in conjunction with aspirin. Unfortunately, however, ordinary Beta- Carotene loses potency very quickly, especially when exposed to air, and is also quickly lost from finished products in which it is formulated. United's product, on the other hand, dissolves readily in both water- based and oil-based products and remains stable much longer. Studies have shown stability after two years, as opposed to ordinary Beta- Carotene, which begins to lose its potency after eight days.

"Stabilized Beta-Carotene that is made in accordance with our process," said Alfred R. Globus, chairman and chief executive officer of United-Guardian,

"also will be an excellent cosmetic additive due to its bright yellow color and long-term stability. It may further be useful, after the appropriate F.D.A. submissions and approvals, as a food-grade coloring agent and a possible source of Vitamin A."

The company expects that this new form of Beta-Carotene will fit in well with its line of cosmetics, pharmaceuticals, healthcare products and medical devices.

CONTACT: Alfred R. Globus, chairman and CEO of United-Guardian, 516-273-0900

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#90347p2789 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPOKANE, WA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Montana Precision Mining Ltd. (NASDAQ: MPML) today announced it has entered into a joint venture agreement with MID OHIO to commercialize the Skygas process for use in the Car Shredder Residue (fluff) field.

MID OHIO has agreed to build and install a full-sized Skygas unit in Ohio and run tests with Shredder Residue and other compatible wastes until the unit is perfected for this service. MID OHIO will obtain all necessary financing to cover the expense of the first unit and will employ Skygas inventor, A.C. Lewis as a special consultant.

Skygas is a photo-electrokinetic process for converting solid and semi-solid wastes into a clean-burning medium BTU gas that can be used for producing steam or electric power. The composition of the gas also offers the potential for conversion into valuable chemicals such as methanol and ammonia.

Montana Precision Mining Ltd. has a joint venture with Smogless S.p.A., Milan, Italy, and Xytel Corp., Mt. Prospect, Ill. Smogless is currently in the final phase of engineering and construction of a Skygas plant in Italy for the disposal of sewage sludge. Completion is expected in February 1991.

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS The company announced today that it has entered into a lease/royalty agreement with Montana Gold Ventures Inc. (MGV). MGV will process the company's tailing and dump piles on their Emery property near Deer Lodge, Mont. MGV has begun immediate testing and permitting and will begin processing in the spring of 1991.

Montana Precision Mining Ltd., a Washington corporation, is involved in mining exploration and development and waste-to-energy projects.

CONTACT: Robert Little of Montana Precision Mining Ltd., 509-326-3443

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#90347p2796 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Reuters has entered into an agreement to offer four key MMS International foreign exchange and capital market services to its real-time data subscribers worldwide, beginning in January.

The services are MMS Currency Market Analysis, Canadian Market Analysis, European Market Analysis, and Asia/Pacific Market Analysis. They provide detailed textual and tabular market analysis which supports trading decisions.

MMS is part of the Standard & Poor's Information Group of McGraw- Hill, Inc., and is a leading provider of real-time fundamental and technical analysis in the fixed income, foreign exchange and equities markets.

Reuters currently offers Yen Market, Equity Market and Gilt Market Analysis from MMS International.

MMS Currency Market Analysis is an authoritative source of fundamental and technical analysis of global foreign exchange and Eurodeposit markets.

MMS Canadian Market Analysis provides data about Canadian foreign exchange, money and bond markets including Central Bank policy and economic forecasts.

MMS's European Market Analysis is a primary source of specialist analysis and forecasts for eight major European debt markets, namely those of Germany, France, the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Denmark, Sweden, Spain and Italy.

Asia/Pacific Market Analysis gives Australia and New Zealand particular focus while also providing summaries of the Tokyo, Singapore, Hong Kong, Taiwan and Korea debt and foreign exchange markets.

MMS International is a primary source of economic and financial information for money managers and traders worldwide. A network of over 60 MMS economists and market analysis provides forecasts and analysis of the international debt, currency and equity markets through on-line quote vendors, through the MMS PC network known as ProfitFinder, and through hard copy publications.

Reuters Information Services Inc. is the primary operating company in North America of Reuters Holdings PLC (NASDAQ: RTRSY). Reuters supplies the global business community and news media with a wide range of facilities including real-time financial data and transaction services, access to numeric and textual historic databases, news and news pictures. Reuters has a controlling interest in Visnews, the international television news agency, and Reuter Group companies design and install trading room systems. Reuters obtains information from around 160 exchanges and over-the-counter markets and from a network of 1,310 journalists, photographers and cameramen. Reuters distributes information through approximately 200,000 video terminals and teleprinters. This includes information directly transmitted to clients' computers.

CONTACT: Robert Crooke of Reuters America, 212-603-3587; or Kara Woods of MMS International, 800-227-7304

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#90347p2797 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FLA. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Check Express Inc. (NASDAQ: CHXS), owner, operator and franchisor of retail check cashing centers, today announced that it has been named one of the top 10 new franchises by the national accounting firm of Arthur Andersen & Co. and "Success" magazine.

In compiling its data, Arthur Andersen & Co. solicited information from over 2,100 franchisors. As a result of this survey, Check Express was also chosen as one of the top 50 best franchises in the country.

Larry Lang, CEO of Check Express, commenting on the survey results, said: "We are very proud to be included among some of the best and most recognized franchises in the country. This honor is a wonderful reward for the dedication and hard work of our employees and our franchise owners."

The Check Express system currently includes more than 40 company-owned and franchised retail money centers which provide check cashing, money orders, money transfers and related services.

CONTACT: Larry Lang or Eugene Maleski of Check Express, 813-289-2888

-30- 1236

#90347p2798 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Demand for quality child care is increasing and one company is growing to meet the need -- that company is Gerber Children's Centers, Inc. (Gerber). Today, Ogden Services Corporation and Gerber announced the acquisition by Gerber of Supertots, the child-care subsidiary of Ogden. Supertots is a leading provider of "at work" child-care facilities. The combined centers solidly position the operation as the fourth-largest child-care provider in the United States.

Gerber Children's Centers and Supertots will combine operations in mid-January to provide service in 128 locations operating in 15 states and the District of Columbia. KD Equities, which, through an affiliate, owns Gerber Children's Centers, stated, "The combination of Gerber and Supertots gives us the best in both residential and 'at work' facilities. With us, parents have the option of child care near their home or at work. We believe this freedom of choice will help working parents."

KD Equities acquired Gerber Children's Centers, Inc. in July 1990 from Gerber Products Company (NYSE: GEB). The Supertots transaction is expected to close in January. "The acquisition of Supertots represents a significant commitment

by Gerber Children's Centers to the 'at work' child-care marketplace. Our Gerber operations will be renamed in 1991 to mark our effort to expand locations and services under the company's new ownership. We see the combination of Supertots with Gerber as a positive next step for our child-care operations," said Robert Edgreen, president, KD Equities.

"We are pleased to acquire a company with the strengths and potential of Supertots," said Edgreen, "and we believe we can provide tactical support and operating knowledge to further enhance results."

KD Equities is a private investment partnership, based in New York, involved in the acquisition of established middle-market companies. Gerber Children's Centers is headquartered in Brighton, Mich.

CONTACT: Bill Van Huis of Gerber Children's Centers, Inc., 313-229-7434

-30- 2267

#90347p2799 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Chambers Development Company Inc. (AMEX: CDVB) today announced that its newly formed subsidiary, Chambers Waste Systems of California Inc., is proceeding with working agreements on a major integrated solid waste recycling and disposal project in San Diego County, Calif.

Elements of the project, which could be operational by mid-to-late 1992, include:

-- Development and operation of a recycling center/transfer facility in San Marcos, Calif., to be constructed and owned by a limited partnership comprised of the city of San Marcos Development Authority and Servcon Inc. of San Marcos. Chambers would design and operate the facility under a long-term lease and operating agreement.

-- Construction and operation of a state-of-the-art, double-lined, sanitary solid waste landfill within the Los Coyotes Band of Mission Indians Reservation in northeast San Diego County, about 75 miles from the proposed San Marcos facility.

Chambers' lease and working agreement with the Los Coyotes Band is presently being reviewed by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). The BIA of the U.S. Department of the Interior must approve the lease and working agreement.

The company is proposing to construct a 300-500 acre landfill within the 25,000-acre Los Coyotes reservation. Company officials said that any landfill built on the Los Coyotes reservation will be designed to meet or exceed federal and state environmental standards for new landfills.

Chambers pioneered environmental security and the use of liner systems and leachate treatment facilities at its landfills long before they were mandated by law. The company has never had any groundwater contamination at any of its landfills nationwide.

Chambers Development Company, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is one of the fastest growing U.S. companies with rankings on the Forbes list of the 200 Best Small Companies in America and on the Business Week Top 1000 U.S. Companies. Chambers is a leading environmental firm offering services in recycling, collection, hauling, disposal and landfill development.

The company also provides security through its wholly owned subsidiary, Security Bureau Inc., the 12th largest U.S. security firm.

CONTACT: Jim Leonard of Chambers Development, 412-244-7560

-30- 2503

#90347p2800 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Sprague Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: SPG), announced today that its board of directors declared an annual dividend of $.05 per share, payable on Jan. 10, 1991, to holders of record of Sprague common stock at the close of business on Dec. 26, 1990.

Sprague is a worldwide manufacturer of capacitors and other electronic components.

CONTACT: R. Kevin Matz, assistant treasurer of Sprague, 203-964-8628

-30- 612

#90347p2801 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WASHINGTON, PA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Regal Communications Corp. (NASDAQ: RCOM) announced today that its Regalfone Inc. subsidiary has entered into an agreement with Bilkistar Productions and ESPN, the Sports Cable Channel, for the production of a telephone sports quiz show concept titled "The Big Deal."

The program will be an interactive television series enabling the viewer to play "The Big Deal" game by using 900 telephone numbers. On Dec. 11, 1990, Bilkistar Productions entered into an agreement with ESPN under which ESPN has agreed to fund one-half of the cost of producing a half-hour pilot of "The Big Deal" series. The agreement with ESPN also grants ESPN the option, exercisable by Jan. 31, 1991, for the production of 26 episodes of "The Big Deal" series. If the option is exercised by ESPN, Regalfone will fund the production costs to produce the series and will receive 50 percent of the 900 number and advertising revenues.

CONTACT: Melisa Hoffrichter of Regal Communications, 215-540-1190

-30- 1205

#90347p2802 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANOLA, MS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - E. Dale Cline, the federal mediator assisting the negotiations at Delta Pride Catfish, Inc., where 900 workers have been on strike since Sept. 13, today released the following statement:

At 10 p.m. on Dec. 12, 1990, the United Food & Commercial Workers Union Local 1529 and Delta Pride Catfish, Inc., after two days of intensive negotiations have reached a tentative contract agreement. A ratification meeting will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, December 14, at St. Benedict's Catholic Center in Indianola.

As agreed by the two parties, the contents of the proposed contract will not be disclosed until after the ratification meeting.

CONTACT: Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, Memphis office, 901-544-3277.

-30- 941

#90347p2804 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - First Union National Bank of North Carolina has won the 1990 Pacesetter Award from the Metrolina Minority Supplier Development Council's Minority Input Committee.

First Union was cited for its leadership role in encouraging minority vendor development. Earlier this year, the corporation adopted a minority purchasing policy, establishing goals for increasing business with minority contractors and vendors throughout First Union's operating region.

Working with a network of minority and women business owners, the company seeks bids on services ranging from architectural and landscaping consultation to the purchase of forms and supplies. First Union also participates in minority trade shows and cooperates with established minority recruiting offices such as those used by city government.

"We are pleased with the success of our program," said Austin A. Adams, First Union executive vice president and head of Automation and Operations. "We've had total commitment and support from all levels of management at First Union, and it is an honor to have our efforts recognized by this council."

First Union's purchasing policy set a target of 8.5 percent of its general vendor services to be awarded to minority-owned businesses and the company developed a computer tracking system to monitor the results. This year's efforts have comfortably exceeded that goal.

First Union National Bank of North Carolina is a rincipal subsidiary of First Union Corporation (NYSE: FTU FTUpr). As of Sept. 30, 1990, First Union Corporation had assets of $39.1 billion and operated 764 statewide banking offices in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, one banking office in Tennessee and 277 nonbanking offices in 36 states.

CONTACT Donna Stockton, First Union Corporation, 704-374-6999, Work, or 704-331-9619, Home.

-30- 2078

#90347p2806 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Centel Corporation (NYSE: CNT) announced today that it has reached a definitive agreement to sell its electric utility operations to UtiliCorp United for approximately $345 million.

"This agreement provides an excellent return for our shareowners and continues our restructuring plan to focus on the local exchange telephone and cellular communications businesses," said John P. Frazee Jr., Centel's chairman and chief executive officer. "In addition, we are pleased that a quality company like UtiliCorp will be providing service to our electric customers, and that all of our present electric employees will be retained by them."

Centel, which announced in August its intent to sell its electric operations, currently provides electric service to more than 136,000 customers in Colorado and Kansas. Centel Electric had revenues of $165 million in 1989, while reporting operating income of $29 million.

Under the transaction structure, Centel will receive $325 million in cash and UtiliCorp will assume about $20 million in current liabilities related to the electric properties.

The sale is subject to various regulatory and other approvals and is expected to be completed in 1991. The company said it currently plans to use the net proceeds to repay outstanding debt.

UtiliCorp, which is based in Kansas City, Mo., provides gas service in eight Kansas and Colorado communities served by Centel Electric. Overall, UtiliCorp provides gas and electric service to approximately 820,000 customers in eight states and in British Columbia.

In addition to its electric operations, Chicago-based Centel Corporation, which had 1989 revenues of $1.19 billion, provides local exchange telephone service through more than 1.6 million access lines in nine states, and operates cellular communications franchises that serve nearly 166,000 access lines in 45 markets in 15 states.

CONTACT: William K. White of Centel Corp., 312-399-2735; or Roger Dick of UtiliCorp United, 816-472-6281

-30- 2218

#90347p2810 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Metropolitan Financial Corporation (NYSE: MFC) announced today that Susanne Heimbuch, Richfield, has been appointed to the position of manager, corporate and investor relations, in the company's marketing group.

Before joining Metropolitan Financial Corporation, Heimbuch was associated with Edwin Neuger & Associates as senior account executive in their investor relations group. She has served as both national director and regional director for the National Association of Investors Corporation, promoting financial education for individual and investment club investors.

Metropolitan Financial Corporation is a regional financial services holding company. Its full service consumer savings bank operates 118 offices in 99 communities in the states of North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Arizona and is the Twin Cities' largest originator of residential mortgage loans. Its real estate sales and brokerage subsidiary, Edina Realty, is Minnesota's largest home seller. On Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported consolidated assets of nearly $4.2 billion. Metropolitan Financial Corporation's common and preferred stock trade on the New York Stock Exchange. The common under the symbol MFC.

CONTACT: Bill Bartkowski of Metropolitan Financial Corporation, 612-339-8859.

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#90347p2811 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

VINELAND, NJ (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Investments Group, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SSLN), announced that its principal subsidiary, Security Savings Bank, SLA, will establish additional general valuation reserves for possible loan losses of approximately $9.5 million for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1990. The company announced that these reserves do not relate to any known losses on specific loans. Rather, these reserves were established to protect the bank against potential loan losses. As a result, the company anticipates reporting a loss for the quarter of between $9.5 million and $10.5 million.

Ronald A. Seagraves, president of the company stated that the significant increase in these reserve levels resulted from an intensive review of Security's loan portfolio which continues to be adversely affected by the depressed real estate market in southern New Jersey. Seagraves said, "the continuing softness in the real estate sector has adversely affected many businesses and borrowers. These adverse conditions have been more severe than

we originally anticipated making the reserves both necessary and prudent." Seagraves also indicated that the additional reserves result from recommendations of a recently concluded regulatory examination of the institution's loan portfolios by the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS).

Seagraves continued that "the regulatory standards for the valuation of loans and real estate are changing dramatically for all financial institutions. Security consistently has been managed within the standards applicable to savings institutions as applied by our principal regulatory agency, the OTS (formally the Federal Home Loan Bank Board). While changing standards is difficult, we intend to make the necessary adjustments to appropriately adapt to the standards imposed by our regulators as they are formulated and interpreted."

As a result of this charge to earnings, Security is not in compliance with any of the regulatory capital requirements imposed by the OTS. A revised capital plan will be filed with the OTS. Security has instituted significant cost savings measures in order to improve the bank's profitability and improve its capital position. Among these measures, the company has reduced the staff by 80 positions, will be reducing executive salaries, and will close three branch offices. The company expects that these actions, along with other cost reduction measures currently being implemented, will result in significant reductions in operating expenses beginning 1991.

Security Savings Bank, SLA, its subsidiary, is a state chartered financial institution headquartered in Vineland. Security operates 31 branches throughout southern New Jersey and provides businesses and consumers with a wide variety of financial products and services.

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MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - A woman with extensive experience in both state and local government administration has been named to the top executive staff of the Minnesota Business Partnership. She is Claudia Ryan, a native of Hibbing, whose professional qualifications include key governmental administrative posts in both Minnesota and Massachusetts.

According to MBP Executive Director Tom Triplett, Ryan will assist in the administration of the Partnership and will have primary responsibility on policy matters related to employment and workplace issues, as well as social and human service programs.

Ryan's background in Minnesota county government includes 10 years in Olmsted County, initially in the field of corrections where she served as Director of Court Services for the Dodge-Fillmore Olmsted Community Corrections System.

Later she expanded into general county administration where she had primary responsibility for the county's legislative agenda in St. Paul.

Ryan's achievements and potential were honored with an award of a Bush Fellowship in 1986. With the fellowship, Ryan attended Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government where she received a Master's Degree in Public Administration.

Following completion of her Harvard studies, she was named Deputy Commissioner of the Registry of Motor Vehicles for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, where she served for a period of two years.

Ryan did her undergraduate work at the College of St. Benedict, in St. Joseph, Minn. She and her husband, Dr. Calvin Mosley, reside in Minnetonka.

The Minnesota Business Partnership is a non-profit, non-partisan business roundtable consisting of 94 chief executive officers of the state's largest businesses.

CONTACT: Tom Triplett of Minnesota Business Partnership, 612-370-0840

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#90347p2814 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

OLD GREENWICH, CT (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - American Brands, Inc. (NYSE: AMB) announced today that, in light of the recent public announcement regarding E-II Holdings Inc., it is continuing to review developments regarding E-II as they affect American Brands' investment in the increasing rate preferred stock issued by E-II's parent company, McGregor Acquisition Corp.

E-II recently announced that its board of directors had resigned and that Steven J. Green, president of E-II's Samsonite unit, was named chief executive of E-II and will undertake to negotiate the restructuring of E-II's debt.

As part of the consideration for the sale in 1988 by American Brands of E-II to McGregor Acquisition Corp., American Brands received shares of McGregor's increasing rate preferred stock, which is currently recorded on American Brands' books at approximately $219 million. Dividends began accruing on the preferred stock on July 1, 1989. While no dividends have yet been paid, the present carrying value of the preferred stock was based on the assumption that the preferred stock, together with accrued dividends and interest thereon, would be redeemed by June 30, 1991.

American Brands now anticipates that a write-down of its investment in the preferred stock will be necessary and is investigating to determine the extent of such a write-down.

CONTACT: Roger W. W. Baker, 203-698-5148, or Daniel A. Conforti, 203-698-5132

both of American Brands

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#90347p2817 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Grace Energy Corporation (NYSE: GEG) today announced that its subsidiary, Grace Petroleum Corporation of Oklahoma City, plans expenditures of $37.3 million for its 1991 domestic oil and gas exploration and development program, a 44 percent increase over 1990 estimated expenditures of $25.9 million.

Approximately $27 million, or 73 percent of the total budget, is earmarked for development, largely in geographic areas where Grace Petroleum currently operates and has expertise -- primarily Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico and Louisiana.

The exploration budget of $9.9 million is 27 percent of the total budget. Grace Petroleum plans to continue exploration in the Michigan Basin, where it has been successful for the past six years. In November of this year, Grace Petroleum announced the extension of its Michigan exploration joint venture agreement with Wolverine Gas and Oil Company, Inc. through Dec. 31, 1993. Grace Petroleum also plans to focus exploration efforts in East Texas, the Texas Gulf Coast, Oklahoma and Louisiana.

The higher exploration and development expenditures for 1991 reflect a continuing shift in strategy, putting more emphasis on exploration and development and less emphasis on acquisition of reserves. Proved developed reserves added from exploration and development are anticipated to equal oil equivalent production in 1991.

Grace Energy Corporation, headquartered in Dallas, is a diversified energy company whose subsidiaries are engaged in supplying services and equipment to the petroleum industry; in the exploration for and development of oil and natural gas; and in coal mining.

CONTACT: Jim Swords of Grace, 212-819-6000.

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#90347p2819 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
ORANGE, CALIF. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert E. Martini, president and chief executive officer of Bergen Brunswig Corporation (AMEX: BBC), announced today that, in response to a request from investment bankers for National Intergroup Inc. (NII), BBC send a letter to NII expressing an interest in acquiring FoxMeyer Corporation, a pharmaceutical distribution company. The letter does not constitute an offer to purchase FoxMeyer.

"While we hope to engage in serious discussions about FoxMeyer, and to make a

thorough due diligence investigation so that we can make a meaningful offer," said Martini, "there is no assurance that we will make an offer, that any such offer will be accepted or that a transaction will occur."

Bergen Brunswig Corporation is one of the nation's largest distributors of prescription pharmaceuticals and other health care products and the largest national distributor of prerecorded video cassettes.

CONTACT: George E. Reinhardt Jr., vice president and CFO of Bergen Brunswig, 714-385-4000; or Gary Fishman, 212-661-1830, or Donald Reynolds, 213-275-9024, both of Reynolds Associates for Bergen Brunswig

-30- 1303

#90347p2820 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAYLOR, MI (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Masco Corporation (NYSE: MAS) today declared a quarterly dividend of 14 cents ($.14) per share on the company's common stock, $1 par value, payable on Feb. 11, 1991, to stockholders of record on Jan. 11, 1991.

CONTACT: John C. Nicholls Jr. of Masco Corporation, 313-274-7400

-30- 504

#90347p2823 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR) announced today that it had obtained an extension until Dec. 17, 1990 of payments due holders of certain notes and warrants as Jacor continues discussion with such holders and other creditors to restructure Jacor's obligations. It further announced that it had reached an agreement in principle with its bank lenders on most major issues invloved in the restructuring of Jacor's obligations to the banks and certain other creditors. The restructuring is subject to the negotation of definitive documents and to the resolution of the remaining issues.

As contemplated in the restructuring, the maturity of the senior bank debt will be advanced to a date no later than Jan. 30, 1993 and the interest rate thereon will be increased by 1 percent during any time after March 1, 1991 that the outstanding principal amount is greater than $100 million. The bank lenders will grant Jacor a limited working capital facility and eliminate Jacor's existing commitment to raise $15 million of equity.

Concurrently with the restructuring of the bank debt, Jacor's existing obligations to certain holders of notes and warrants would be converted into 16 percent subordinated notes and 14.5 percent subordinated notes respectively which, in each case, would mature no earlier than the day following the maturity of the senior bank debt. Interest on these subordinated notes would be payable only out of excess cash flow and, to the extent not paid therefrom,

would accrue and be payable at maturity. Jacor would be able to use a portion of the proceeds from certain asset sales to partially prepay the subordinated notes. The restructuring of the the notes and warrant obligations has been agreed to in principal but is subject to the negotiation of definitive documents and to the resolution of certain open issues.

There can be no assurance that the restructuring of Jacor's obligations to the banks and to the holders of the notes and the warrants will be consummated.

Jacor continues to seek to restructure payment obligations of $8.236 million due Dec. 31, 1990 under a stock purchase agreement and a non-competition agreement. Jacor is currently under contract to sell radio stations WMJI-FM (Cleveland) and WYHY-FM (Nashville, Tenn.) in December 1990 and, under the restructuring agreement, would be able to use a portion of the proceeds thereof to resolve such obligations. There can be no assurance that these sales will be consummated or that Jacor will be able to resolve these obligations on or before Dec. 31, 1990 even if the sales are consummated.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

CONTACT: R. Christopher Weber or Jon M. Berry, 513-621-1300, both of Jacor Communications, Inc.

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#90347p2826 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Johnson & Johnson (NYSE: JNJ) announced today that it will be a major sponsor of Disney television programming in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe.

The shows will air weekly beginning in January 1991 in Hungary, Poland and the Soviet Union in prime family time periods. Dubbed in each country's official language, the content of each of the programs will be both live action and animated series previously aired in the United States.

Johnson & Johnson is one of the first companies to secure sponsorship of a portion of Disney's advertising time in the region, which has a total population of 336 million and an estimated 290 million television viewers.

The programs are being sold to Eastern European broadcasters through an arrangement in which Disney provides programming in exchange for advertising time that it sells to international advertisers and sponsors. Disney programming is provided through its international television distribution arm, Buena Vista International.

The Disney programs will air on each country's national television network. In the Soviet Union, "Walt Disney Presents" will appear on Gostelradio Channel 1 on Sundays from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. The hour-long program will feature episodes of the animated series "DuckTales" and "Chip 'N' Dale's Rescue Rangers," which have proved to be the most successful animated children's programs in worldwide television. The two hit series will also be offered in Hungary, where "Walt Disney Presents" will span a two-hour time period and include episodes from the classic anthology series, "The Wonderful World of Disney."

Two different Disney time periods will air each week in Poland, where Polish Television will devote both Saturdays from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. and Sundays from 7:00 to 7:30 p.m. to Disney timeslots. "Chip 'N' Dale's Rescue Rangers" will appear in the Sunday time period, while the 90-minute Saturday time period will feature episodes of "DuckTales" and "The Disney Sunday Movie."

Johnson & Johnson, with more than 83,000 employees, is the world's largest and most comprehensive manufacturer of health care products serving the consumer, pharmaceutical and professional markets. Johnson & Johnson has 175 operating units in 55 countries, and had sales in 1989 of $9.76 billion.

CONTACT: F. Robert Kniffin of Johnson & Johnson, 201-524-3535; Erwin Okun, 818-560-5400; or Lisa Sanders, in London, 44-71-734-8111, both of Disney

-30- 2679

#90347p2827 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlas Consolidated Mining and Development Corporation (AMEX: ACMB) signed on Dec. 6, 1990 an agreement to restructure its existing peso loan with Citibank N.A. and Bank of America NT & SA in the aggregate amount of pesos 551,834,228 ($20,288,023). This is part of the agreement reached with the lenders following the restructuring of the company's foreign currency loans last Oct. 15, 1990 to improve Atlas' financial condition.

The loan is secured by a mortgage on certain assets of Atlas at its Cebu Copper Operations. Citytrust Banking Corporation was appointed as trustee for such properties or assets in behalf and for the benefit of the peso lenders.

Signing in behalf of Atlas were Juan de Ibazeta, chairman of the board, Rogelio C. Salazar, president and chief executive officer and Jose C. Ibazeta, senior vice president and treasurer. Gil A. Buenaventura, vice president, signed for Citibank N.A. and Abhaya Jain, vice president, for Bank of America, NT & SA.

CONTACT: A.C. Campo of Atlas Consolidated Mining, 201-245-6850

-30- 1261
#90347p2836 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Christopher B. Hemmeter, chairman of Resort Income Investors Inc. (AMEX: RII) today announced that the company's $12,900,000 loan to an affiliated borrower, Hemmeter Kauai Co., indirectly secured by real estate in Kauai, Hawaii, may be repaid prior to its scheduled maturity date. The company's affiliated borrower entered into a contract for the sale of Phases III, IV and V of the Kauai Lagoons Resort to an unaffiliated buyer, and it is currently anticipated that the sale of Phases III, IV and V will occur in late January 1991. Should the sale be consummated, the company will receive it second bonus interest payment. A preliminary calculation of the bonus interest payment to be received by the company on the loan totals approximately $1,600,000, which amount is subject to the timing of the closing and other factors. Should such amount be received, it would be the maximum amount allowable under the terms of the loan agreement as discussed in the company's prospectus. This loan was made in November 1988 after completion of the company's initial public offering.

The company operates as a real estate investment trust (REIT) under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. As such, it is required to distribute to shareholders at least 95 percent of its taxable income each year to continue to qualify as an REIT.

Resort Income Investors Inc. is a Los Angeles-based REIT. RII is a lender focusing on the destination resort market and has a portfolio of participating pre-development mortgage loans made to affiliates of Hemmeter Corp. The investment manager of RII is RC&H Inc. The investment manager is responsible for reviewing investment options and making investment options and making investment recommendations to the RII board of directors.

RC&H Inc. is an affiliate of Hemmeter Corp., a company founded and headed by Hemmeter, a recognized leader in the development of luxury destination resorts. Previous developments of Hemmeter Corp. include the Hyatt Regency Waikiki at Hemmeter Center in Honolulu, the Hyatt Regency Maui, the Westin Kaui at Kaui Lagoons, the Westin Maui and the Hyatt Regency Waikoloa on the big island of Hawaii.

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#90347p2841 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
WEST PATERSON, NJ (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Prospect Park Financial Corporation (NASDAQ: PPSA) today reported a net loss of $5.1 million, or $1.73 per share, for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. For the comparable period of the prior fiscal year, Prospect Park's net loss was $2.5 million, or $0.84 per share. The company recorded a net loss of $5.1 million, or $1.76 per share, for the

six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, compared with a net loss for the prior year period of $1.3 million, or $0.45 per share.

The results were primarily attributable to a loss from real estate operations, due to the establishment of additional general loss reserves which amounted to $4.6 million in both the second quarter and first six months of fiscal 1991. In the second quarter of last fiscal year, Prospect Park experienced a loss from real estate operations of $3.5 million, in addition to a provision for possible loan losses of $919,000. For the six months ended Oct. 31, 1989, the company recorded a $3.6 million loss on real estate operations, and a $1.3 million provision for loan losses. There were no provisions for possible loan losses in the quarter or six months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

"We are disappointed that our operations continue to be adversely affected by the declining local and regional real estate markets," said Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Russell L. Frignoca.

Frignoca also announced that, subsequent to the end of the second quarter, Prospect Park had sold $65.8 million of mortgage-backed securities, backed by loans from the bank's portfolio. The loans, most of which were adjustable rate mortgages (ARMs), were purchased by several investment banking firms and other financial institutions. He said that the company expected to record a profit of approximately $1.5 million from the sale, which would be reflected in its results for the third quarter of fiscal 1991.

Commenting further on the status of Prospect Park Savings Bank's capital plan, Frignoca said, "The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) has completed its initial evaluation of the plan, and has requested that we provide additional information by Dec. 21, 1990. Although such requests have been common practice in connection with capital plans, no assurance can be given that the plan will be approved by the OTS." The bank's plan, which describes its strategy for achieving compliance with regulatory capital requirements, was filed with the OTS on Sept. 14, 1990. As a result of the recent loss, the bank continues to be in non-compliance with current regulatory capital requirements.

Pending continued OTS review of the bank's capital plan and the bank's response to the request for additional information, the OTS has directed the bank to operate under certain additional restrictions, effective Dec. 11, 1990. Although the bank is in the process of discussing certain of these restrictions with the OTS, the restrictions presently limit, among other things, the bank's asset growth, pricing and growth of deposit products, payment of dividends, expenditures relating to compensation and benefits, and ability to engage in certain lending activities.

The deposits of Prospect Park Savings Bank totaled $504.1 million at Oct. 31, 1990, rising 3.8 percent in the first six months of this fiscal year. Loans receivable were $400.1 million, compared with $413.4 million at fiscal 1990

year-end. Total assets amounted to $545.2 million at the end of the recent quarter, up from $543.8 million six months earlier.

Prospect Park Financial Corporation is the holding company for Prospect Park Savings Bank, SLA. The bank, founded in 1926, operates eight full-service branches in northern New Jersey. Its deposits are insured to the full extent of the law by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

PROSPECT PARK FINANCIAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Summary of Operations (Dollars in Thousands)

Periods ended	Three Months		Six Months	
Oct. 31;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net interest income before provision for possible loan losses	$ 3,253	$ 4,136	$ 6,637	$ 8,944
Provision for possible loan losses	--	919	--	1,299
Net interest income after provision for possible loan losses	3,253	3,217	6,637	7,645
Loan fees and service charges	233	222	465	438
Gains on sales of loans, mortgage-backed and investment securities	59	167	226	892
Loss from real estate operations	(4,604)	(3,516)	(4,606)	(3,590)
Other income	385	307	723	646
Total operating expenses	4,181	3,706	8,358	7,551
Loss before income tax (benefit)	(4,855)	(3,309)	(4,913)	(1,520)
Income tax (benefit)	202	(857)	213	(206)
Net loss	$(5,057)	$(2,452)	$(5,126)	$(1,314)
Loss per common share	$ (1.73)	$ (.84)	$ (1.76)	$ (.45)

PROSPECT PARK FINANCIAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Selected Balance Sheet Highlights

Periods ended	Oct. 1, 1990	April 30, 1990
Total assets	$545,180	$543,778
Loans receivable, net(A)	400,123	413,365
Deposits	504,109	485,783
Shareholders' equity	4,125	9,152
Book value per share	$ 1.41	$ 3.13

(A) -- Includes mortgage-backed securities held in portfolio.

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#90347p2847 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Determined to eliminate further delays in enhancing shareholder value, Burnup & Sims Inc. (NASDAQ: BSIM) today announced that it was withdrawing its request for rulings from the Internal Revenue Service and had approved a new plan that will provide Burnup & Sims shareholders, who own shares on the record date of Dec. 28, 1990, with common shares of National Beverage Corp., which will become a publicly owned company.

Under the new plan, Burnup & Sims will pay a dividend of all of its National Beverage common stock to all of its shareholders. Burnup & Sims will then exchange approximately 3.8 million shares of Burnup & Sims common owned by National Beverage for $22.5 million in debt owed to Burnup & Sims by National Beverage. Upon completion of the plan, Burnup & Sims shareholders will have received a direct interest in National Beverage. While its ownership will be significantly reduced, National Beverage will continue to be a major shareholder of Burnup & Sims. The distribution of the National Beverage common stock dividend, which will be taxable to the company and its shareholders, is subject to the completion of appropriate documentation and compliance with applicable securities laws.

Burnup & Sims' special committee of outside directors, together with its financial and legal advisors, negotiated the terms of the new plan with the special committee of National Beverage directors and their financial and legal advisors. The boards of directors for Burnup & Sims and National Beverage each approved the new plan.

A spokesperson for Burnup & Sims said, "The company is enthusiastic about the new plan and believes that its shareholders will benefit by the separate market value that the new public company, National Beverage, with its defined focus will command. The opportunities for both companies are tremendous," the company spokesperson added, "and in light of the capital restrictions in today's precarious economy...these two public companies should be better positioned to enhance their future growth."

Opening the lines of communications throughout the United States for over 60 years, Burnup & Sims, a national leader in the telecommunications service industry, has diversified interests in real estate, movie theatres and commercial printing. Serving the flavors that satisfy America, National Beverage Corp., with 12 bottling facilities throughout the United States, owns bottles and distributes Shasta, Faygo and Spree All Natural beverages, a Sante water and various private label soft drink brands.

CONTACT: George Bracken of Burnup & Sims Inc., 305-587-4512

-30- 2869
#90347p2848 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - John R. Block, president, National American Wholesale Grocers Association, has been elected to the board of directors of Rochester Telephone Corp. (NYSE: RTC) His term as a director begins immediately.

Block joined the National American Wholesale Grocers Association in 1986 after serving as the Secretary of Agriculture for the U.S. Department of Agriculture from 1981 to 1986. Prior to that, he was the director of the Illinois Department of Agriculture and was self- employed in farming from 1960 to 1970.

In announcing his election, Alan C. Hasselwander, president and chief executive officer of Rochester Tel, said, "John Block brings with him a unique background that represents the constituencies of many of the Rochester Tel operating telephone companies in the rural areas of the U.S. We look forward to his active participation and counsel as a member of our board."

Block is a director of Deere and Company, The Farm Foundation Board, the Agribusiness Corporation of America and the Illinois Agricultural Leadership Foundation. He is also a member of the Advisory Committee of the National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy, chairman of the steering committee for the United Nations Association of Americas Nationwide Study on World Hunger and a trustee of Bradley University.

Block is a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. He lives in Washington, D.C.

CONTACT: Diana C. Melville of Rochester Telephone Corporation, 716-777-1090

-30- 1690

#90347p2850 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Volt Information Sciences, Inc. (NASDAQ: VOLT), announced today that it had purchased 425,000 shares of its common stock from an unaffiliated third party at market. This purchase brings Volt's outstanding stock to 4,895,881 shares.

William Shaw, president of Volt, stated, "This acquisition reflects the company's belief in the intrinsic long-term value of the company's businesses, although the company expects to report a fourth quarter loss."

Volt Information Sciences, Inc., is a diversified technical services, human resources, computer systems and electronics manufacturing company.

CONTACT: James J. Groberg of Volt Information Sciences, 212-309-0280

-30- 871

#90347p2852 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Asarco Incorporated (NYSE: AR) today announced that it will make a provision in its fourth-quarter 1990 earnings for environmental costs associated with the company's current operations and with previously closed facilities and for the estimated cost of increased state of Arizona royalties.

The provision will reduce 1990 after-tax earnings by an estimated $51.5 million, or $1.24 per share. Net earnings for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $145.4 million, or $3.50 per share.

Richard de J. Osborne, chairman, president, and chief executive officer of Asarco, commenting on the provision, stated, "Recent developments at a number of the company's properties have increased the level of predictability of costs associated with meeting Asarco's environmental responsibilities. We have undertaken a careful review of those costs at all our operating mines and plants and at closed facilities.

This provision will provide a level of reserves which we can reasonably estimate will be sufficient to cover the costs, outside of normal operating costs, that will be needed to meet our environmental responsibilities as we now know them."

Osborne also stated, "The provision for increased state royalties is a current estimate of past costs expected from higher royalty rates under a new mineral leasing statute enacted by the state of Arizona which is retroactive to December 1987."

Asarco Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of non-ferrous metals, principally copper, silver lead, zinc, and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals, and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

CONTACT: Gerard F. Corbett of Asarco, (212) 510-1810, or after hours, (201) 743-1838.

-30- 2058

#90347p2853 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ralph Erben, president and chief executive officer of Luby's Cafeterias, Inc. (NYSE: LUB), today announced the results of operations for the three months ended Nov. 30, 1990. Compared to the same quarter last year, sales increased approximately 9 percent to $79,837,000 from $73,446,000, and net income increased to $7,728,000 from $7,250,000, an increase of over 6 percent.

Erben also stated that four new cafeterias were opened in Bossier City, La.; Houston and DeSoto, Texas; and Mesa, Ariz., during the first quarter. Six

other locations are presently under construction.

The San Antonio-based company operates 141 Luby's Cafeterias.

LUBY'S CAFETERIAS, INC.

(Thousands of dollars, except per share data)

Three months ended Nov. 30	1990	1989
Sales	$79,837	$73,446
Income before income taxes	11,709	10,952
Provision for income taxes	3,981	3,702
Net income	$ 7,728	$ 7,250
Net income per share(A)	$0.28	$0.27
Average no. of shares outstg. (A)	27,380,514	27,358,013

(A) -- Adjusted to reflect a 3-for-2 stock split in August 1990.

CONTACT: John E. Curtis Jr., senior vice president and chief financial officer of Luby's, 512-654-9000

-30- 1569

#90347p2854 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCARBOROUGH, ME (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Hannaford Bros. Co. (NYSE: HRD), northern New England's largest food retailer, reported today that its sales and other revenues for the four weeks ended Nov. 24, 1990, were $132,424,000, an increase of 9.4 percent over the $121,097,000 for the same period a year ago.

Sales and other revenues for the 47 weeks ended Nov. 24, 1990, were $1,514,091,000, up 11.6 percent over the $1,356,798,000 achieved during the first 47 weeks of 1989.

CONTACT: Charles H. Crockett of Hannaford Bros., 207-883-2911

-30- 715

#90347p2856 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - In keeping with its continued expansion of its Miami hub operation, Pan American World Airways will begin nonstop service between Cleveland and Miami on Feb. 9, 1991.

"Advance bookings on the new nonstop service are encouraging," said James Burford, account manager-Ohio at Pan Am. "The numbers support our belief that there is good market potential between Cleveland and Miami. And from Miami, passengers will be able to connect to over 50 destinations around the world," he added.

Flight 741 will depart Cleveland at 8:00 a.m. and arrive in Miami at 10:41 a.m. Northbound, Flight 748 will depart Miami at 7:20 p.m., arriving back in

Cleveland at 10:07 p.m. Pan Am will continue to offer twice daily one stop service to Miami via New York.

Pan Am and Pan Am Express offer a total of 107 daily departures out of Miami, an increase of 44 over last winter. The new service will be operated with Boeing 727-200 aircraft.

CONTACT: Elizabeth Hlinko of Pan Am, (212) 880-6265.

-30- 1193

#90347p2864 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was released today by Boeing Computer Services:

AT&T and Boeing Computer Services today announced that Boeing will transition out of the Federal Telecommunications System (FTS) 2000 contract over the course of the next few months.

Boeing's primary area of responsibility on the contract - information system development - has been completed. Remaining work will be performed at a maintenance level, and this reduced activity can be smoothly and successfully transferred to AT&T.

AT&T and Boeing indicated the move is in their best interests as well as in the best interest of the FTS2000 program. At its peak, Boeing had approximately 360 employees working on FTS2000. Approximately 80 Boeing employees currently are assigned to the program.

During the phase-out, Boeing employees with critical program skills will be offered opportunities on the program with AT&T or FTS2000 subcontractors. The remainder will be considered for reassignment to other Boeing programs.

CONTACT: John Alter of Boeing Computer Services, Reston, Va., (703) 476-7420, or Rick Reser of AT&T, Washington, D.C., (202) 457-2736.

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#90347p2866 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MICH. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) today reported the following sales figures:

	1990	1989	Pct. Change	Memo: Selling Days 1990	1989
Total Vehicles					
Dec. 1-10	77,320	58,489	+32.2	8	8
Jan. 1-Dec. 10	3,213,667	3,461,486	- 7.5	290	289

Total Cars Dec. 1-10		42,419	32,370	+31.0
Jan. 1-Dec. 10	1,854,097	2,079,468	-11.1	Imported Cars
Dec. 1-10	1,155	1,186	- 2.7	
Jan. 1-Dec. 10	60,963	74,878	-18.9	Total Trucks
Dec. 1-10	34,901	26,119	+33.6	
Jan. 1-Dec. 10	1,359,570	1,382,018	- 2.0	Light Trucks
Dec. 1-10	33,850	25,520	+32.6	
Jan. 1-Dec. 10	1,316,099	1,328,265	- 1.3	

Note: Percentage changes are based on daily selling rates. CONTACT: Joel Pitcoff of Ford, 313-337-3753

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DETROIT (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Following are unit sales for the 10-day period, Dec. 1-10, for Lincoln Mercury Division of Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F).

	Current	Year-Ago
Grand Marquis	1,945	1,696
Cougar	1,695	1,107
Sable	1,974	1,632
Topaz	1,105	1,384
Tracer	1,092	481
Capri	320	---
Lincoln Town Car	4,373	2,389
Mark VII	263	342
Continental	1,404	1,490
XR4Ti	---	12
Scorpio	---	187
TOTAL	14,171	10,720

CONTACT: Edda LaFramboise of Lincoln-Mercury Division, 313-446-4368

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#90347p2873 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Western Company of North America (NYSE: WSN) announced today that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Western Oceanic, Inc., has decided to withdraw its registration statement for an initial public offering of 6 million shares of common stock, two-thirds of which were to have been sold by The Western Company of North America.

Citing uncertainties surrounding the United States economy and Middle-East tensions, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Sheldon R. Erikson said that, "the decision was largely based upon the effects such developments were having upon the equity markets both domestically and in Europe and, in particular,

upon share prices for offshore contract drilling companies, many of which are at or near recent lows."

The Western Company of North America is an oilfield service company providing pressure pumping services through Western Petroleum Services and Western Petroleum Services International company and contract drilling services worldwide through Western Oceanic, Inc.

Pressure pumping principally involves the acidizing, fracturing and cementing of oil and gas wells. Offshore contract drilling services are provided with a fleet of 13 mobile rigs.

CONTACT: George H. Hogarty Jr., Western Company of North America, (713) 629-2840.

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#90347p2874 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
DES PLAINES, IL (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of United Stationers Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: USTR) declared the regular quarterly dividend on its common stock of $0.10 per share.

The dividend is payable January 15, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business December 31, 1990. As of today, 15,521,306 shares are outstanding. Cash dividends on the company's common stock have been paid every year since 1972.

United Stationers Inc. is the nation's largest wholesaler of office products to resellers. Through its computer-based physical distribution system, it makes more than 25,000 items available substantially within 24 hours through distribution points in 56 major hub cities.

The common stock of United Stationers is traded over-the-counter (OTC), is reported through the NASDAQ (symbol USTR) and is quoted in its national market system listings.

CONTACT: Marshall Gardner, executive vice president, or Kathleen Dvorak, (708) 699-5000, both of United Stationers.

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#90347p2877 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
MURRAY HILL, NJ (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Patrick Rich, currently deputy chairman of The BOC Group, will be appointed chief executive of the group with effect from Jan. 1, 1991.

Richard Giordano will continue as a non-executive director after his retirement as chairman in January 1992. This is announced by Giordano in his

chairman's statement in the company's annual report and accounts, published today.

Giordano tells shareholders in his statement: "I have been chief executive of the group since October of 1979, and chairman since January of 1985. I have always believed that, from the group's standpoint as well as my own, a decade was long enough to shoulder these responsibilities.

"The board has long been aware of my intentions and I had hoped to retire at the end of 1989. However, in the circumstances that was not possible. I have now proposed to the board, and the board has accepted enthusiastically, the following succession plan.

"With effect from Jan. 1, 1991, the board will appoint Mr. Patrick Rich as chief executive responsible for all the group's businesses. I will continue as chairman through 1991 to manage the transition and introduce Pat to the British business community. It is the board's intention that Pat will take on the additional duties of chairman upon my retirement in January 1992.

"We have all known Pat for many years. He joined the board as a non-executive director in 1983 and we have benefited from his skills and experience for almost a decade. He became a full-time executive and deputy chairman on April 1 of this year and has already made a valuable contribution to the management of the group.

"He is an experienced international businessman, who has managed companies in many countries around the world during his long career with Alcan, the Canadian metals company, and Societe Generale de Surveillance Holding SA, the Geneva-based services company.

"He is a French national who speaks five European languages in addition to English. I and my fellow board members are confident that Pat has the skills, the energy, and the wisdom to take The BOC Group into the decade of the 1990s."

The BOC Group, based in Windlesham, England, and Murray Hill, is an international corporation with operations in more than 50 countries around the world. Its principal businesses are industrial gases, health care products and services, and high vacuum technology. BOC's business and trade names include Airco, Ohmeda, Anaquest, Glasrock Home Health Care, Transhield, Edwards High Vacuum, and Viggo-Spectramed.

CONTACT: Patricia Secrist, (201) 771-4861, or (in the U.K.) Nigel Rowe or Chris Dryden, 011-44-2-767-7222, all of The BOC Group.

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#90347p2879 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Persons involved in transporting hazardous

materials will benefit from a training program recently developed by the Department of Transportation's (DOT) Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA).

The first six components are being distributed this month by DOT to state transportation agencies. The training will meet requirements established in the Hazardous Materials Transportation Uniform Safety Act of 1990, which was signed by the President in November.

The training program covers many areas of concern for the safe transportation of dangerous substances including how to package, mark and label the hazardous material. The training series also provides information on placarding, as well as specific compliance and enforcement information applicable to carriers and shippers.

The Hazardous Materials Advisory Council (HMAC) plans to distribute the components to carriers and shippers in the transportation industry once DOT's distribution to state agencies is complete. The agency estimates that 70,000 people will take the course, and its implementation is one of RSPA Administrator Travis P. Dungan's highest priorities.

"RSPA's direct mission is the safe, effective and efficient movement of people and goods throughout the world by all modes of transportation," Dungan said. "Not only will the carriers, enforcement agencies and shippers benefit from this training program, the entire nation will benefit by having the hazardous materials transportation community a better informed community.

The program was developed by RSPA and the HMAC in conjunction with representatives from state government and enforcement/response agencies through the Cooperative Hazardous Materials Enforcement Development program.

A pilot test of the training package confirmed that users from industry, enforcement, and the emergency response community significantly improved their knowledge of hazardous materials regulations.

CONTACT: Russell A. Rockwell of the Department of Transportation, 202-366-4433

-30- 2246

#90347p2882 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Following the recent announcement of the RJ70 variant of the BAe 146 which has generated a very positive market reaction, British Aerospace now reveals the 146-NRA Project intended to further complement the BAe 146 family of jetliners.

Studies on the 146-NRA are well advanced based upon a 14 foot stretched version of the 146-300 fuselage accommodating 125 passengers in a 5-abreast single class layout. Various combinations of mixed class seating will also be

available, as will 6-abreast configurations for increased capacity, all using the existing widely acclaimed 146 cabin design.

The aircraft will feature a new and larger wing permitting cruise speeds up to Mach 0.82 and a range of more than 2500 statute miles.

The 146-NRA Project will retain the high wing configuration proven on existing 146 models as offering good engine and freight hold accessibility, a wide CG range and sufficient ground clearance for total flexibility of power plant selection.

It is intended to provide airlines with a choice of either the GE/Snecma CFM 56 or the IAE V2500 high bypass ratio turbofan engines. The high wing configuration also offers the long-term opportunity for the installation of larger diameter, ultra-high bypass ratio powerplants when they become available.

The 146-NRA will be produced in parallel with the BAe's RJ70, 146-100, 146-200 and 146-300 models which will be powered by four Textron Lycoming, newly introduced, LF507 turbofan engines. This configuration provides these smaller aircraft with unequalled field performance, quietness and operating economy.

British Aerospace's soundly based position and broad experience in the short-haul airliner business with the growing 146 family, nearly 300 of which have now been ordered and optioned with some 46 operators, provides confidence that the 146-NRA -- exhibiting the highest standards of comfort and operating economics -- will capture a major share of the future 120-130-seater market.

British Aerospace is in discussion with a number of potential international collaborative partners with the intention of achieving full 146-NRA entry into service during 1996/1997.

CONTACT: George Dahlman or Lewis Roth of British Aerospace, 703-478-9420

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#90347p2883 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of UST (NYSE: UST) today approved an increase in the first quarter 1991 dividend to 33 cents per share, payable March 15 to stockholders of record on March 5.

The dividend increase amounts to 20 percent, with an indicated annual rate of $1.32.

This is the 20th consecutive year the company has increased the dividend rate. The company has paid cash dividends without interruption since 1912.

UST, through its subsidiaries, is a leading producer and marketer of moist

smokeless tobacco products, including Copenhagen, Skoal, Skoal Long Cut, and Skoal Bandits. Other consumer products marketed by UST's subsidiaries include premium varietal table wines, sold nationally under the Chateau Ste. Michelle, Columbia Crest, Conn Creek, and Villa Mt. Eden labels, quality pipes, imported pipe tobacco, imported cigars and other tobacco-related products.

CONTACT: Alan Kaiser of UST, 203-622-3549

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#90347p2889 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The following news release was distributed today by Ford of Europe:

The Ford Motor Company's Board of Directors has approved in principle the joint Ford/Volkswagen multi-purpose vehicle program for Europe.

The approval is subject to securing the necessary clearances from regulatory authorities in Europe and confirmation of an investment incentive package agreement with the host country's government.

Investment incentives are an essential element of the project. The Board of Directors, therefore, has left open the selection of a manufacturing location until those incentives have been secured.

Further details on the project will be provided as, and when, significant developments occur.

CONTACT: Bert Serre, 313-322-4466, or Lin Cummins, 313-845-0627, both of Ford

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#90347p2892 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Stewart & Stevenson Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: SSSS), a leading manufacturer of diesel and gas turbine powered equipment, announced today that in its meeting of Dec. 11, 1990, the board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.06 a share payable Feb. 14, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Jan. 31, 1991.

CONTACT: David R. Stewart, director-investor relations of Stewart & Stevenson Services, 713-868-7657

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#90347p2893 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MORRIS PLAINS, N.J. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Wendell Wierenga, Ph.D., has joined Warner-Lambert as senior vice president for research in the pharmaceutical research division.

Wierenga will be responsible for all preclinical discovery activities in the company's worldwide pharmaceutical research and development operations. He will report to Pharmaceutical Research Division President Pedro Cuatrecasas, M.D.

According to Dr. Cuatrecasas, Wierenga comes to Warner-Lambert following "a most distinguished scientific and leadership career" at the Upjohn Company. Most recently, he served as executive director for discovery research. During his 16 years at Upjohn, he held a series of increasingly responsible research and management positions, including director of cancer and infectious diseases research.

At the same time, Cuatrecasas announced that Donald R. Maxwell, Ph.D., has been appointed executive vice president for scientific affairs. Maxwell will report to Cuatrecasas. "Dr. Maxwell will serve as a key advisor in a broad range of technical and administrative matters where in-depth scientific expertise and experience are essential," Cuatrecasas said. "He will assist and advise us on overall R&D strategies and planning functions related to drug discovery and development programs, budgets, staffing requirements, facilities and liaison with external organizations and technical interests."

"The addition of Dr. Wierenga to our top R&D management team and his work with us in dynamically advancing our drug discovery efforts, along with the continued expert contributions of Dr. Maxwell, will be of invaluable assistance in helping Warner-Lambert achieve a premier position in pharmaceutical R&D in the 1990s," Cuatrecasas added.

A native of Grand Rapids, Mich., Wierenga completed his undergraduate studies at Hope College and received a Ph.D. in chemistry from Stanford University. He has published more than 50 original articles and is a primary inventor on 25 patents.

Maxwell joined Warner-Lambert in 1974 and has held a series of senior research positions. He completed undergraduate studies and received a Ph.D. in pharmacology at Cambridge University in England.

Warner-Lambert is a worldwide company devoted the developing, manufacturing and marketing quality health care and consumer products. It employs approximately 33,000 people worldwide.

CONTACT: Peter Wolf, 201-540-6696, or Thomas Furlong, 201-540-2145, both of Warner-Lambert

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#90347p2894 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Trinity Industries,

Inc. (NYSE: TRN) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.20 per share on its $1 par value common stock.

The quarterly cash dividend, Trinity's 107th consecutive, is payable Jan. 31, 1991 to shareholders of record Jan. 15, 1991.

Trinity Industries, with headquarters in Dallas, manufactures and markets a wide variety of metal products, principally in six business segments: Railcars, Containers, Structural Products, Marine Products, Metal Components and Leasing.

CONTACT: F. Dean Phelps Jr., vice president of Trinity Industries, Inc., 214-689-0592

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#90347p2897 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ameritech (NYSE: AIT) today announced that it has selected Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois, in conjunction with other Midwest Blue Cross/Blue Shield units, to organize, implement and administer a managed health care network for its employees in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin.

"The Blue Cross/Blue Shield organizations throughout our region have agreed to partner with Ameritech in developing a health care network which will meet our unique needs," said Martha Thornton, Ameritech senior vice president of human resources. "They have effectively demonstrated a commitment to quality health care and excellent service and are a leader in the development of health care management systems.

"The decision to develop a managed health care network was driven by our desire to continue providing a high level of quality health care benefits in an era of escalating costs without shifting costs to employees," Thornton said. "We are confident that partnering with Blue Cross/Blue Shield to develop the new network will enable us to continue doing so in an innovative and cost effective way."

Blue Cross/Blue Shield was selected by Ameritech following a competitive evaluation that included some of the nation's top health care insurance firms. The evaluation process took into account needs expressed by employees, credentials of physicians and hospitals, continuity of care and convenience.

Under the managed health care network concept, groups of physicians, hospitals and other specialty care providers chosen for their qualifications and performance agree to provide services under contract with a network manager, in this instance Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

Ameritech will implement health care networks for management employees in

selected communities beginning in mid-1991. Expansion of the managed care networks throughout the five states of the Ameritech region will take place on a location-by-location basis as network requirements are met.

Once networks are established, Ameritech employees can select a personal care physician within the network who will provide and oversee their health care. Employees also will have the option of using physicians outside of the network though employees who use the network will receive greater benefits at less cost.

The new Ameritech managed health care network will evolve from and complement Preferred Provider Option (PPO) and Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) groups now serving the employees of the Ameritech companies.

Ameritech is the Chicago-based parent of Bell companies serving Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin; and of other information-related companies providing mobile communications, directory publishing, lease financing and voice messaging services. The company has 76,000 active employees and 45,000 retirees. Ameritech had total 1989 revenues of $10.2 billion.

CONTACT: Mike Brand, 312-750-5219, or Steve Ford, 312-750-5205, of Ameritech

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#90347p2902 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Gold King Consolidated Inc. (GKC) (NASDAQ: GKCI) announced its earnings for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The company reported a net profit of $39,312 on revenues of $1,715,065 for the quarter compared with a loss of $25,374 on revenues of $221,202 for the like quarter in 1989. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, GKC reported a loss of $138,612 on revenues of $2,951,464, compared with a loss of $169,339 on revenues of $581,331 in 1989.

The significant increase in revenues for the quarter and for the nine months is the result of improved production and grades from the Gold King Extension Claims in Colorado and the commencement of production at the Adelaide Crown mine in Nevada. Gold King has produced 4,550 equivalent ounces of gold in the first nine months of 1990.

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#90347p2904 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Citing a worsening economic climate, Dollar Bank announced today an increase of $15 million in its general reserves for potential future loan losses.

The addition to such reserves means that the bank will have a net loss of $13.5 million for the fiscal year ending Nov. 30, 1990.

Stephen C. Hansen, president and CEO, said, "Increasing the bank's general reserves for future potential losses now is prudent, given the current economic slowdown, despite the immediate effect on earnings."

Because the bank's capital continues to exceed statutory requirements and because operating earnings continue to be positive, no change in the bank's basic strategy is expected.

Hansen further pointed out that not only were tangible operating earnings positive in 1990 but that earnings for 1991 are projected to be positive on both an operating and net basis.

Banks establish two types of reserves for loan losses: specific reserves relate to expected losses on identified problem loans, and general reserves relate to potential future losses. Dollar's general reserves now stand at $21.5 million, or 1.38 percent of total loans. "This $21 million of reserves gives us considerable flexibility to deal with contingencies that may arise," said Hansen. He added, "This gives us extra financial strength to adjust to a recession that might become more severe."

Because general reserves can be used to absorb future losses, such reserves are included in a bank's total regulatory capital. The government requires that the ratio of total regulatory capital to risk-adjusted assets must exceed 7.20 percent by Dec. 31, 1990. As of Nov. 30, Dollar's ratio stood at 7.21 percent.

CONTACT: Jeffrey Morrow of Dollar Bank, 412-261-8146

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#90347p2906 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

JERICHO, NY (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Leo Liebowitz, president and chief executive officer of Getty Petroleum Corp., (NYSE: GTY) reported that, at the board of directors meeting held this morning, the board of directors voted on and approved its 64th consecutive cash dividend in the amount of $.07 (seven cents) per share payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to holders of record on Jan. 3, 1991. The dividend is payable on approximately 12.6 million currently outstanding shares of common stock.

Getty Petroleum Corp., one of the nation's largest independent marketers of gasoline and petroleum products, markets in a 13-state area, Maine through Virginia. The company is also a major marketer of heating oil and is a wholesale distributor of a variety of petroleum products through its east coast petroleum storage and distribution network.

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#90347p2908 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUDAPEST (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Sea-Land Service Inc., the leading U.S.-based global transportation company, today announced it is opening an office in Budapest, underscoring the carrier's commitment to provide premier transportation and related trade services to the growing East European market.

"This move is part of the broader strategy of Sea-Land's Atlantic Division, which is to position ourselves for the anticipated growth in trade opportunities throughout Europe. In the next five to ten years, we want to change our business mix to rely more on the growth expected in that part of the world," commented Wilford Middleton, executive vice president of Sea-Land's Atlantic Division.

"Trade prospects between Hungary and the West are among the best in Eastern Europe," he said. "The country has one of the highest per capita GNP's of any Eastern European nation, and its current economic reform programs are creating the foundation for long-term growth," he said.

Sea-Land is no newcomer to the Eastern Europe marketplace or Hungary. The global carrier, which invented the concept of containerized shipping to Eastern Europe almost a quarter century ago when it began providing service to Poland.

Sea-Land also provides service in Romania and Czechoslovakia; and during the first quarter 1991, the carrier will establish its own office in Prague.

John van de Merwe, vice president and general manager for North Europe, who has responsibility for Sea-Land's operations and sales in Eastern Europe, said he is "enthusiastic about the potential business opportunities in Eastern Europe, and we are willing to commit the necessary resources to this region."

Sea-Land has been serving the Hungarian export market for almost two decades through its partnership with Budapest-based freight forwarder Raabersped, a wholly-owned company of Raaberbahn, the joint Austrian-Hungarian railway.

The new office will be run by sales representative Eva Galamb, a native Hungarian with varied experience in freight forwarding, and Robert Walter, a native Belgian who speaks fluent Hungarian and who also has significant experience in transportation. Walter will serve as inside sales coordinator, working closely with Galamb to meet Hungarian shippers' specific requirements and provide ongoing customer service.

Sea-Land Service Inc., a unit of CSX Corporation (NYSE: CSX), Richmond, Va.,

is a world leader in international intermodal freight transportation and related trade services. Sea-Land operates more than 60 container ships and 128,000 containers in the U.S. and foreign trade and serves 80 ports and 70 countries and territories.

CONTACT: Elisabeth Gabrynowicz, 908-603-2569, or Rudi Baumkotter, 010-431-7911, both of Sea-Land Service Inc.

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#90347p2911 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Core Industries Inc. (NYSE: CRI) today announced that net earnings for its quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, amounted to $1,461,000 ($.15 a share). Comparable earnings for last year's strong first quarter were $2,803,000 ($.29 a share). Net sales approximated $64,800,000 as compared with $62,100,000 last year, an increase of 4 percent.

While the earnings of the Electronics Group were substantially below prior-year levels, this group did return to profitability during the quarter. The computer and machine tool markets served by this group remain very soft at this time.

The Fluid Controls and Construction Products Group and the Farm Equipment Group continue their strong performance and achieved increased sales and earnings during the quarter.

Harold M. Marko, chairman of the board, stated, "Our first-quarter results were entirely consistent with our expectations. Although the economy is weak, we still anticipate earnings progress this year with the upward momentum expected during the third and fourth quarters."

Core Industries is a manufacturer of specialty products for four basic industries -- electronics, farm equipment, fluid controls and construction products, and industrial products.

CORE INDUSTRIES INC.

	Three Months Ended	
	Nov. 30 1990	Nov. 30 1989
	(Unaudited)	
Net sales	$64,754,000	$62,065,000
Earnings before income taxes	2,301,000	4,413,000
Provision for income taxes	840,000	1,610,000
Net earnings	1,461,000	2,803,000
Earnings per share	$.15	$.29
Average shares outstanding	9,775,000	9,775,000

CONTACT: Richard T. Walsh of Core Industries Inc., 313-642-3400

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#90347p2912 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Georgia-Pacific Corp. (NYSE: GP) today announced that it signed two separate definitive agreements to sell approximately 119,000 acres of timberland in Washington, Arkansas and Mississippi for about $108 million.

A portion of the company's managed timberlands in Washington is being sold to John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company. The timberlands will be managed for long-term timber production by The Hancock Timber Resource Group. Included in the sale are 77,000 acres in Skagit and Whatcom Counties. The company's Bellingham, Wash., pulp and paper facility does not rely on these lands to supply its fiber requirement.

The company signed a second definitive agreement to sell about 25,600 acres of timberland in Arkansas and 16,400 acres in Mississippi to institutional investors. These lands are not located near Georgia-Pacific facilities and, therefore, are not used to support the resource needs of the company's operations.

CONTACT: Sheila Weidman of Georgia-Pacific, 404-521-4732

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#90347p2918 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
HUTCHINSON, KN (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Doskocil Companies Incorporated (NASDAQ: DOSKQ), and its subsidiaries that are operating under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, including Wilson Foods Corporation, have filed a motion to extend the exclusive period in which they may file a plan of reorganization for 60 days, from Jan. 11 to March 11, 1991. The companies also are seeking to extend the exclusive period in which they may solicit acceptances to their plan of reorganization for 90 days, from March 11 to June 11, 1991.

The motion was filed following negotiations with the Doskocil and Wilson Unsecured Creditors' Committees, the companies' secured lenders, and the recently appointed committee of the holders of Doskocil's equity securities. The company has been meeting with these various groups to develop a consensual plan of reorganization. Theodore A. Myers, chief financial officer of Doskocil, stated, "We are encouraged by the progress of the ongoing negotiations on the plan of reorganization, but we elected to file the motion since these negotiations may not be concluded by the present deadline, which is shortly after the holiday season. We believe that a brief extension of the exclusivity period is in the best interest of achieving a consensual plan of reorganization."

The U.S. Trustee has appointed a committee to represent the interests of the

equity security holders of Doskocil, made up of the following members: William A. Schalekamp, A.R. Gale, and Lew Ensign. This Equity Security Holders Committee has selected the Kansas City law firm of Shughart, Thomson & Kilroy as counsel.

Questions or inquiries of shareholders of Doskocil about this committee should be directed to the following:

William A. Schalekamp, chairman, 3520 Broadway, Kansas City, Mo., 64111 Joel Pelofsky, Shughart, Thomson & Kilroy, 120 W. 12th St., 17th Floor, Kansas City Mo., 64105

Doskocil and 18 of its subsidiaries, including Wilson Foods Corporation, filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code on March 5, 1990. As had been previously announced in July, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Kansas granted the company an additional period of exclusivity to Jan. 11, 1991, for which it may propose a plan of reorganization and an additional 60 days, until March 11, as the period to solicit consents for such a plan.

Doskocil Companies Incorporated specializes in formulating, processing and marketing high value-added boneless hams, dry sausage and other pre-cooked meat products for the foods service, delicatessen and retail markets. The company is also a leading supplier of beef and pork toppings and of pepperoni to the pizza foods service market.

CONTACT: Theodore A. Myers, chief financial officer of Doskocil, 316-663-1005 or J. Desmond Towey or Bernadette McLaughlin of Cameron Towey & Associates, 212-888-7600, for Doskocil.

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#90347p2920 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Health Images Inc. (NASDAQ: HIMG) today announced November 1990 consolidated net revenues of $4,378,900, an increase of $1,330,600 or 43.7 percent over November 1989 consolidated net revenues of $3,048,300.

Gross same center revenues (before deduction for contractual adjustments and uncollectible accounts) increased $607,000 or 19.5 percent as compared to the preceding year. Net same center revenues increased by $396,600 or 15.0 percent in November 1990 as compared to the 1989 period. Revenues of the Engineering Services Division were $615,000, an increase of $209,400 or 51.6 percent as compared to November 1989. Miscellaneous revenues were $2,400, a increase of $100 or 4.3 percent as compared to the preceding year. Revenue data are summarized in the following table.

Robert D. Carl III, president and chairman of Health Images, stated: "We are

very pleased with November 1990 revenue comparisons. Our business appears to be quite strong in spite of the holiday season."

Health Images Inc. operates 27 magnetic resonance imaging centers and one radiation oncology center, manufactures magnetic resonance imaging scanners and provides equipment maintenance services for major medical diagnostic imaging equipment.

HEALTH IMAGES INC.
REVENUE COMPARISON
NOVEMBER 1990 TO NOVEMBER 1989

	1990	1989	Chg.	Pct. chg.
Gross imaging center revenues	$4,569,500	$3,110,700	$1,458,800	46.9
Prov. for uncollectible accounts and contractual adjustments	808,000	470,300	337,700	71.8
Net imaging center revenues	$3,761,500	$2,640,400	$1,121,100	42.5
Engineering revenues	615,000	405,600	209,400	51.6
Misc. revenues	2,400	2,300	100	4.3
Total net revenues	$4,378,900	$3,048,300	$1,330,600	43.7
Same center gross revenues	$3,717,700	$3,110,700	$ 607,000	19.5
Same center net revenues	$3,037,000	$2,640,400	$ 396,600	15.0
Imaging centers in operation	27	18	9	50.0

CONTACT: Robert D. Carl III, president and chairman, or Laura J. Werner, 404-587-5084, both of Health Images

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#90347p2922 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SYCAMORE, ILL. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Duplex Products Inc. (AMEX: DPX), a leading business forms manufacturer, today reported reduced sales and earnings for its fiscal year ended Oct. 27, 1990.

Sales for the 1990 fiscal year were $297,647,000, a decline from $326,475,000 in the prior year. Net earnings for the year were $9,516,000, equal to $1.23 per share, compared with the $14,618,000 or $1.90 per share reported in fiscal 1989.

For the fourth fiscal quarter, sales were $72,538,000, down from $79,343,000 in 1989. Net earnings declined from $3,742,000 to $1,743,000, with earnings per share decreasing from 48 cents to 23 cents.

"The operating environment in the business forms industry remained relatively unchanged in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, as compared with the third," said Carl L. Peterson, president and CEO. "Revenues and profit margins continued to be adversely affected by soft demand and the related strong competitive price pressures. Earnings per share in the quarter were up 10 percent from the 21 cents reported in the third quarter of fiscal 1990 on about the same sales.

"In fiscal 1990, we further strengthened our balance sheet while increasing our dividend payout for the 17th consecutive year. At year-end, cash and equivalents were up to $22 million and the company's long-term debt represented only 10 percent of total capitalization.

"We remain cautious about fiscal 1991 as it is difficult to make projections based on the current status of the general economy. Although we don't foresee an upturn in the near future, Duplex has the financial strength and talented people needed to successfully emerge from this turbulent period."

Duplex Products Inc. is a leader in the manufacturer of quality business forms and related services for commercial and industrial use. Its product line includes continuous and unit set business forms, forms-related services, pressure sensitive labels, envelopes and other specialties. The company's products are primarily sold through its direct sales force and also through its catalog division. Duplex has sales offices, manufacturing facilities, IMPAC(R) centers and warehouses throughout the United States and in Puerto Rico.

CONTACT: Carl Peterson or Andrew Peterson of Duplex Products, 815-895-2101; or Nick Farina, 312-266-7800, or Kathleen Phelan, 212-681-8030, both of The Financial Relations Board for Duplex

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#90347p2923 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Alco Standard Corp. (NYSE: ASN) announced today that its subsidiary, Paper Corporation of America, has entered into an agreement to acquire Sloan Paper Co., headquartered in Atlanta.

Sloan Paper is a leading distributor of printing papers in Georgia, Tennessee, Florida, Alabama and Mississippi. The company, with annual revenues of approximately $140 million, will remain at its present locations under the leadership of Coley L. Evans Jr., president and chief executive officer. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Edward N. Patrone, president of Paper Corporation of America, stated, "We are extremely pleased that Sloan Paper is joining Paper Corporation of America. Sloan is an established, highly successful marketer of quality printing papers in an important and growing section of the country. Sloan has an excellent,

dedicated and proven management team and work force. We believe that as a part of PCA and Alco, Sloan's suppliers, customers and employees will enjoy excellent opportunities for growth and superior service. At the same time, PCA will expand its national geographic reach with a substantial presence in the printing paper markets in the Southeast."

Closing of the transaction is anticipated early in 1991. With more than $3.4 billion in annual sales, Paper Corporation of America is the largest distributor and converter of paper and related products in North America.

Alco Standard Corp., headquartered in Valley Forge, is a publicly owned distribution and services company.

CONTACT: David B. Kirkland of Alco Standard, 215-296-8000, or at home, 215-542-9025

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#90347p2924 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Division today reported the following 10-day sales figures:

	Dec. 1-10		Month-to-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Selling days	8	8	8	8
Ford	3,546	1,632	3,546	1,632
Thunderbird	1,798	1,427	1,798	1,427
Taurus	8,372	5,598	8,372	5,598
Tempo	4,453	3,764	4,453	3,764
Escort	6,130	4,658	6,130	4,658
Festiva	835	987	835	987
Mustang	2,131	1,655	2,131	1,655
Probe	983	1,929	983	1,929
Total cars	28,248	21,650	28,248	21,650
Bronco	848	1,265	848	1,265
Bronco II/Expl	6,037	1,986	6,037	1,986
Club Wagon	734	609	734	609
Van	3,794	2,484	3,794	2,484
Aerostar	3,833	3,436	3,833	3,436
Ranger	6,394	5,670	6,394	5,670
F-Series	12,210	10,070	12,210	10,070
Heavy	1,051	599	1,051	599
Total trucks	34,901	26,119	34,901	26,119

	CYTD	
	1990	1989
Selling days	290	289
Ford	111,158	102,571

Thunderbird	101,745	116,548
Taurus	298,321	329,209
Tempo	205,609	216,418
Escort	275,825	320,051
Festiva	50,967	66,212
Mustang	119,957	155,943
Probe	100,738	128,086
Total cars	1,264,320	1,435,038
Bronco	45,323	58,942
Bronco II/Expl	168,188	103,087
Club Wagon	19,942	24,297
Van	138,631	158,685
Aerostar	171,320	177,797
Ranger	269,281	268,435
F-Series	503,414	537,022
Heavy	43,471	53,753
Total trucks	1,359,570	1,382,018

CONTACT: Carolyn Brown of Ford Division, 313-446-7736

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#90347p2927 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNT PROSPECT, ILL (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Zenith Data Systems (ZDS), a Groupe Bull company, today announced that President and Chief Executive Officer John P. Frank is leaving the company.

In a statement, ZDS Chairman Roland Pampel said, "We thank John Frank for all his accomplishments while at Zenith Data Systems, and we wish him success in his future endeavors. We will be announcing a successor as soon as possible. Fortunately, ZDS already has a strong management team in place, and ZDS President Emeritus Carl Michelotti will be responsible for day-to-day operations."

Frank joined Zenith Data Systems in 1981, soon after the company's establishment by Zenith Electronics Corp. in 1980. He held a number of senior sales and marketing positions before being named ZDS president in August 1987; the responsibilities of chief executive officer were added in January 1990.

Michelotti, who joined Zenith Electronics Corp. in 1961, was elected Zenith vice president of color TV engineering in 1981 and vice president of consumer products engineering in 1983.

Michelotti was named president of Zenith's Computer Group in May 1987, responsible for ZDS and Zenith's other computer-related businesses. When Groupe Bull acquired Zenith's computer businesses on Dec. 28, 1989, Michelotti deferred his retirement to become a senior consultant to the Groupe's executive committee.

ZDS is a leading manufacturer and marketer of portable and desktop microcomputers and monitors for single- and multi-user applications. With headquarters in Mount Prospect, Ill., and primary engineering and final assembly operations in St. Joseph, Mich., ZDS has manufacturing and sales facilities in more than 30 countries.

CONTACT: Matt Mirapaul of ZDS, 708-699-4897

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#90347p2928 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The following are first ten day sales for American Honda for December 1990:

FIRST 10 DAY SALES OF DOMESTIC BUILT AUTOMOBILES
AMERICAN HONDA AUTO SALES FOR DECEMBER 1990

Honda Division	1990	1989
Domestic Total	3,821	5,588
Civic	1,475	2,690
Accord	2,346	2,898
Domestic Year-To-Date	445,971	363,444
Civic	180,612	164,465
Accord	265,359	198,979

CONTACT: Kurt Antonius of American Honda Motor Co. Inc., (213) 783-3171.

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#90347p2929 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Area fourth-graders will get a hands-on lesson in designing and marketing cars at a special Education Center, sponsored by Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C), at the 1991 North American International Auto Show in Detroit.

Chrysler has invited 13 area schools to participate in the Education Center between Jan. 8-18. About 450 area youngsters will get an introduction to designing, engineering, naming and marketing vehicles in a 4,500-square-foot Education Center in Cobo Center.

"For many of these boys and girls, this will be their introduction to some of the important and exciting jobs in the auto industry," said Valerie Becker, Chrysler's National Education Program administrator.

"We want to show them that subjects such as math and science can be fun and are necessary to their becoming the engineers, designers and mechanics of tomorrow.

"Research tells us fourth grade is when children are either turned off by education or motivated to do their best," Becker said. "If they are turned off they merely occupy space in the schoolroom until they drop out or graduate without the ability to read or write." Chrysler spent $4.7 million in support of education in 1990.

"We want these children to understand that what they're learning today - whether it's multiplication tables or correct spelling - are building blocks for what they'll learn later on," Becker said. "These skills are necessary and useful, especially in an ever-changing and complex work environment."

The center's showpiece is the 1988 Plymouth Speedster, a neon-colored, concept car designed for the beach scene. Interactive computer stations, videos and a computer-aided design exercise will also be featured.

In one exercise, children will be asked to try to modify a two-seat sports car so that it might get 40 miles per gallon. In other work stations, students will be making color and fabric choices for their own personal concept car, choosing a name for their vehicle and learning to identify target markets for products. The experience will conclude with a tour of the auto show.

Elementary schools from Auburn Hills, Dearborn, Detroit, Highland Park, Plymouth, Sterling Heights, Warren, Toledo, Ohio, and Windsor, Ontario, will participate.

CONTACT: Scott Fosgard or Tom Houston of Chrysler, (313) 956-1102 or (313) 252-8790.

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#90347p2931 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE SUCCESS, NY (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Park Electrochemical Corp. (NYSE: PKE) today announced its performance for its third quarter which ended Nov. 25 1990.

Sales were $40,636,000 compared to $38,493,000 for the comparable quarter of last year, while earnings fell to $480,000 (ten cents per share) as compared to last year's third quarter of $1,067,000 (21 cents per share).

Sales for the nine months were $122,746,000 compared with $111,267,000 for last year's nine months. Earnings were $2,379,000 (48 cents per share) compared to last year's earnings of $3,142,000 (61 cents per share).

The earnings for the third quarter and the nine months includes $233,000 (five cents per share) of special income derived from the company's purchase of some of its 7 1/4 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2006.

Jerry Shore, president, commented, "We experienced serious and sudden earnings deterioration the latter part of our third quarter. This was primarily due to the electronic operations in Europe where the sales volume was seriously curtailed as the computer industry almost stopped purchasing components - and then later resumed at a significantly reduced level. In the United States, our automotive electronics and plumbing hardware activities experienced weakened demand."

"Our businesses that supply the computer industry, the auto industry and the housing industry, are all doing poorly. In order to counter this trend, we are doing proper damage control, bringing new product and services to market quickly, and preparing ourselves for a rough time the next six to 12 months."

Park Electrochemical Corp., through its subsidiaries, is primarily a manufacturer of advanced electronic circuit materials.

PARK ELECTROCHEMICAL CORP. (Unaudited)

Thirteen weeks ended	11/25/90	11/26/89
Sales	$40,636,000	$38,493,000
Net income	480,000	1,067,000
Shares outstanding	4,906,000	5,153,000
Earnings per share(A)		
Primary	.10	.21
Fully diluted	.10	.21

Thirty-nine weeks ended	11/25/90	11/26/89
Sales	$122,746,000	$111,267,000
Net income	2,379,000	3,142,000
Shares outstanding	5,004,000	5,169,000
Earnings per share(A)		
Primary	.48	.61
Fully diluted	.48	.61

(A) - Includes special income of $233,000 (five cents per share) arising from the company's purchase of some of its 7 1/4 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 2006.

CONTACT: Gloria Neri of Park Electrochemical, 516-354-4100.

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#90347p2935 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of NAC Re Corp. (NASDAQ: NREC) today declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.05 per share. The cash dividend is payable on Jan. 10, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 27, 1990.

CONTACT: Martha G. Bannerman, vice president, general counsel and secretary

of NAC Re Corp., 203-622-5248.

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#90347p2944 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Sequa Corporation (NYSE: SQA) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of $1.25 per share on its $5.00 cumulative convertible preferred stock.

The quarterly dividend is payable on February 1, 1991, to stockholders of record January 15, 1991.

CONTACT: Linda G. Kyriakou of Sequa, (212) 986-5500.

-30- 514

#90347p2947 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROGERS, AR. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Hudson Foods, Inc. (NYSE: HFI), an integrated poultry producer headquartered in Rogers, Ark., today issued the following announcement.

In view of the unusual market activity in Hudson Foods, Inc. stock the New York Stock Exchange has contacted the company and requested that the company issue a public statement indicating whether there are any corporate developments which may explain the unusual activity in Hudson stock.

The company is unaware of any corporate developments which may account for the activity.

Hudson Foods, Inc., one of the nation's largest poultry producers, sells a variety of chicken and turkey products under the "Hudson," "Flavor Fresh" and "Hudson Deli-Meister" brand names, as well as poultry, beef and pork products under the "Ohse," "Schweigert," "Pierre," and "Roegelein" brand names.

CONTACT: Tom Reynolds, assistant secretary/assistant treasurer of Hudson Foods, Inc., 501-631-5177

-30- 1125

#90347p2948 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Billy J. Walker, chairman and chief executive officer of First Union National Bank of Florida and First Union Corporation of Florida, has announced key title changes for the organization that will become effective in March 1991.

Walker announced earlier this year that First Union National Bank of Florida President Byron E. Hodnett will become chief executive of the bank in March. Today's announcement has added the position of chairman of First Union

National Bank of Florida to Hodnett's title.

Walker will remain chairman of the bank's executive and credit policy committees, chairman of First Union Corporation of Florida, and vice chairman of Charlotte, N.C.-based First Union Corporation.

Jack Mitchell, chief credit officer of First Union National Bank of Florida, will succeed Hodnett as president of the bank. Ken Thompson is vice chairman of the Florida bank and heads its General Banking Group.

"With these key executives working with me, we now have the senior management team in place to capitalize upon our position as a leader in the competitive Florida banking market," Walker said.

Hodnett was named president of First Union National Bank of Florida in 1987. He had served as executive vice president of the Florida bank's General Banking Group since 1986.

Mitchell was named chief credit officer of First Union National Bank of Florida in 1989. Prior to that, he served as senior vice president and head of human resources for the parent company.

Thompson served as head of human resources for First Union National Bank of North Carolina prior to being named executive vice president of First Union National Bank of Florida in 1987.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, First Union National Bank of Florida, headquartered in Jacksonville, reported assets of $16.2 billion and operted 317 branches in 33 counties. It is a subsidiary of Charlotte, N.C.-based First Union Corporation (NYSE: FTU) which has assets of $39.1 billion.

CONTACT: Jim Robertson of First Union National Bank of Florida, (904) 361-6996.

-30- 2283

#90347p2952 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ballistic Recovery Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: BRSI) announced today that it reduced its net loss by more than $600,000 for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 and more than doubled net sales during the period. For the 12 months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company reported a net loss of $78,129 or $.02 per share compared to a net loss of $686,166 or $.21 per share for the same period last year. Sales for the current period increased 106 percent to $3,497,002, up from $1,700,293 for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The acquisition of the assets of Paranetics, Inc. in February 1989, and the resulting addition of a new product line was responsible for the increased sales.

Joe Little, president and CEO noted, "The company has significantly strengthened all areas of operational controls, including sales and marketing, manufacturing efficiency, inventory management, receivables management and expense reduction." He added, "In addition to the improvements in sales and marketing already accomplished, we are making changes which will further enhance both manufacturing and sales."

Management stated that the company's recent emphasis on improving cash flow will not only benefit financial results in upcoming quarters, but it will allow BRS to address long-term strategic objectives. One such objective has been a plan to complete the GARD (General Aviation Recovery Device) FAA certification process for aircraft in the Cessna 150/152 category.

Ballistic Recovery Systems, Inc. designs, manufactures and distributes rocket-deployed parachute systems which are designed to recover aircraft under catastrophic airborne conditions, including mechanical failure, pilot error or incapacitation, or mid-air collisions. The company's life-saving devices have been installed on more than 8,000 recreational aircraft during the past 10 years and have been credited with saving nearly 50 lives in documented aircraft emergency situations. Additionally, the company's Southern Calif.-based Paranetics Division designs, manufactures and markets parachute systems and subsystems for defense applications.

CONTACT: Joseph R. Little of Ballistic Recovery, 612-457-7491; or Tom de Petra or Christopher Sellwood of First Financial, 612-338-7630, for Ballistic

-30- 2493

#90347p2955 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ASHLAND, KY (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashland Oil Inc. (NYSE: ASH) is taking its support of quality education a step further in Minnesota this year by launching a pilot program that will identify and recognize 10 exemplary partnerships which promote increased business involvement with education in the state, it was announced today.

Ashland Oil's "Business-Education Partnership Honors" program is being supported by the Minnesota Academic Excellence Foundation (MAEF). The MAEF is a non-profit public-private education partnership formed in 1983 to promote and recognize academic excellence in elementary and secondary schools.

According to Dan Lacy, vice president of corporate communications for Ashland Oil, the honors program was designed to enhance the company's "Better education is the bottom line" education campaign, announced this past fall that stresses business-education partnerships.

"The honors program will be an integral part of our education involvement in the state," Lacy said. "Recognizing innovative, successful and representative

partnerships in Minnesota will reinforce the message about the importance of such alliances." Schools and companies interested in the honors program should contact the MAEF, located at 751 Capitol Square Building, 550 Cedar Street, St. Paul, Minn. 55101, 612-297-1875. Applications must be received, not postmarked, by March 1, 1991.

Applications are due March 1, 1991, Lacy said. Completed applications will be reviewed by May 15.

Minnesota was selected to launch the project because of its recognized leadership in the formation of business-education partnerships for many years, Lacy explained. "In addition, Ashland and MAEF have formed this partnership to encourage new relationships and to encourage businesses to stay involved in improving education in their local areas.

This week, more than 4,100 program brochures and application booklets were mailed statewide to both schools and businesses. The booklets contain pertinent information about the application process, cite partnership examples and explain judging criteria.

Ashland Oil Inc., based in Ashland, Ky., is a diversified energy company whose operations in Minnesota include 186 SuperAmerica retail outlets and SA's regional headquarters in Bloomington; 38 Valvoline Rapid Oil Change locations; a variety of retail locations carrying Valvoline products; an Ashland Chemical Inc. distribution facility in Shakopee and a plastics distribution plant in Burnsville; and an Ashland Petroleum Co. refinery at St. Paul Park.

Ashland Oil provides jobs to 3,043 Minnesota families and has investments of $242 million in fixed assets, land and inventory in the state.

CONTACT: Roger Schrum of Ashland Oil Inc., 606-329-4061, or Zona Sharp-Burk of the Minnesota Education Foundation, 612-297-1875

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#90347p2960 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Natural Gas Company (NYSE: CNG) today announced the sale of $250 million of 7-1/4 percent, 25-year convertible subordinated debentures.

The issue was sold to two underwriters, The First Boston Corporation and Merrill Lynch & Co., for resale in a public offering. The annual cost of money to Consolidated is 7.34 percent.

Holders may, at any time, convert the debentures to common stock at a price of $54 a share. The convertible subordinated debentures are rated "Aa3" by Moody's, "AA-" by Duff and Phelps, and "A+" by Standard & Poor's.

Proceeds of the sale will be added to the treasury funds of the company and will be used to finance 1991 capital expenditures of its subsidiaries.

Consolidated is one of the nation's largest producers, transporters and distributors of natural gas. Its primary marketing areas for natural gas are in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, New York and other states in the Northeast. The company explores for and produces natural gas across the United States and in Canada.

CONTACT: Cynthia Piechowiak of Consolidated Natural Gas, 412-227-1442.

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#90347p2964 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, AL (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern Natural Gas Company and United Gas Pipe Line Company today announced that they have completed the acquisition by Southern Natural of United's 50 percent interest in Sea Robin Pipeline Company.

A subsidiary of Southern Natural already owned 50 percent of Sea Robin. Through a new subsidiary, Southern Natural has acquired the 50 percent interest formerly owned by a United subsidiary. Subsidiaries of Southern Natural now own 100 percent of Sea Robin.

Sea Robin operates a 440-mile long interstate natural gas pipeline system in the Gulf of Mexico offshore Louisiana. The Sea Robin joint venture between subsidiaries of Southern Natural and United was formed in 1968.

Southern Natural Gas, a Birmingham, Ala.-based subsidiary of Sonat Inc. (NYSE: SNT), is the major pipeline supplier of natural gas to the Southeast. It operates an 8,600-mile natural gas pipeline system. Sonat, headquartered in Birmingham, is a worldwide energy company involved in natural gas transmission and marketing, oil and gas exploration and production, and oil services.

United Gas Pipe Line operates a 9,800-mile natural gas transmission system serving cities, industries and utilities throughout the Gulf Coast area.

CONTACT: Thomas W. Barker, Jr., of Sonat, 205-325-3586

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#90347p2971 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW HAVEN, CT (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - First Constitution Financial Corporation (NYSE: FCON), the holding company that owns First Constitution Bank, said its board had elected Robert L. Fiscus to serve as a director. Fiscus, 53, is executive vice president and chief financial officer of United Illuminating Company, based here.

Fiscus, who will commence his board service in January, will replace Richard Thomas, 70, who plans to retire after 35 years as a director of First Constitution and its predecessor companies. First Constitution directors serve concurrently as the board of the bank subsidiary.

"Bob Fiscus will bring valuable experience in finance, accounting and management information systems in a regulated business to the deliberations of our board," said John J. Crawford, president and chief executive officer. "As an experienced executive with a publicly held Connecticut utility, he's familiar with business conditions and opportunities in our own market area and throughout the state."

A certified public accountant, Fiscus was associated with the accounting firm of Price Waterhouse & Co. prior to joining United Illuminating in 1972 as controller. He was made vice president of finance and accounting in 1981, and assumed his present position in 1983.

Long active in community and professional affairs, Fiscus serves as vice president of operations and a director of United Way of Greater New Haven. He is treasurer, a board member and chairman of the audit committee of Griffin Health Services and Griffin Hospital. Professional memberships include both the American and Connecticut societies of certified public accountants. He resides in Huntington with his wife and two children.

First Constitution Bank is a state-chartered, FDIC-insured savings institution with 22 branches in communities in New Haven and Fairfield counties.

The common shares of the holding company are traded on the NASDAQ Stock Market where the trading symbol is FCON.

CONTACT: John Rourke of First Consstitution, 203-782-4570

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#90347p2972 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTONA BEACH, FL. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting held Thursday, Dec. 13, the board of directors of Consolidated-Tomoka Land Co. (NASDAQ: CTLC) declared a year-end dividend of 23 cents per share payable Jan. 21, 1991, to the stockholders of record on Jan. 7, 1991.

Bob D. Allen, president and chief executive officer, stated that this amount represented a total of 40 cents declared in 1990.

CONTACT: Bruce W. Teeters of Consolidated-Tomoka, 904-255-7558

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#90347p2973 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - ADC Telecommunications, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADCT) today announced record orders, sales and earnings for the quarter and year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

The quarterly and annual volume increases in sales are detailed by product group in the attached table. The decrease in net sales of copper transmission products for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 reflects decreasing sales of a coaxial multiplexing device manufactured on behalf of one large computer company.

ADC Telecommunications, Inc. designs, manufactures and markets a wide variety of cable management devices, transmission products and network service assurance systems used by telephone companies, broadcast networks and large private telecommunications networks.

ADC TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(In Thousands, Except Per-Share Statistics)

	Quarters Ended		Years Ended	
	10/31/90	10/31/89	10/31/90	10/31/89
	(Unaudited)			
Net sales	$71,750	$59,049	$259,802	$196,388
Cost of products sold	36,865	31,019	133,802	107,764
Gross profit	34,885	28,030	126,000	88,624
Gross profit percentage	48.6%	47.5%	48.5%	45.1%
Expenses:				
Selling	11,597	10,222	45,297	34,742
Development and product engineering	7,782	5,337	25,462	17,360
General and administrative	4,457	3,899	17,496	13,838
Total expenses	23,836	19,458	88,255	65,940
Operating income	11,049	8,572	37,745	22,684
Other income (expense), net:				
Interest	309	257	1,255	2,831
Other	(576)	(21)	(828)	730
Income before income taxes	10,782	8,808	38,172	26,245
Provision for income taxes	4,313	3,544	15,269	9,842
Net income	$6,469	$5,264	$22,903	$16,403
Average common shares outstanding	13,289	13,212	13,265	13,167
Earnings per share	$.49	$.40	$1.73	$1.25
Orders	$75,928	$64,591	$265,272	$206,418

CONTACT: Aimee Gallogly of ADC Telecommunications, 612-893-3338

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#90347p2974 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK, (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Washington Post Company's (NYSE: WPO) earnings per share for 1990 will be approximately $14.25, compared with earnings per share of $15.50 in 1989, Richard D. Simmons, president, told a meeting of security analysts here today.

Reflecting a soft advertising environment at The Washington Post and Post-Newsweek Stations, the company's operating income will decline to approximately $275 million, from $314 million in 1989. The company's cable division and Stanley H. Kaplan Educational Centers will report significant gains in operating income from last year's results, while Newsweek will record one of the best years in its history.

Simmons said that he anticipated a decrease in the company's earnings per share in 1991.

CONTACT: Mary Bellor of The Washington Post Company, 202-334-6640

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#90347p2975 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
HIALEAH, FLA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - S.O.I. Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: LAMP) announced today its wholly owned subsidiary, Drake Studio, Ltd., located in Chicago has finalized plans to expand into the Jacksonville, Fla. area.

According to Donald E. Courtney, chairman of S.O.I. and Drake, the company has agreements in principal with one of the country's leading producers of limited edition collector plates to purchase the initial production capacity of the new factory. The new facility is expected to contribute to overall company revenues and earnings immediately on start-up.

Initial plans call for two new high temperature computerized firing kilns to be installed at the new factory along with all necessary support equipment. The new plant is expected to be fully operational in the next 120 days.

Revenues have increased rapidly at the Chicago location in the past several months according to Michael Pawlish, president of Drake. "This new facility in Jacksonville will allow for substantial growth in the future and relieve some of the production pressures on our Chicago operation, which is at capacity," says Pawlish.

CONTACT: Donald E. Courtney of S.O.I. Industries, Inc., 305-835-2214

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#90347p2977 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOSTON, (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The following is a statement issued today by

Bank of New England Corporation (NYSE: NEB):

The Treasury Department and Office of the Comptroller of the Currency confirmed again today that BNEC's subsidiary banks are treated like other commercial banks in accepting treasury, tax, and loan deposits (TT&L) from the Treasury.

Most banks accept TT&L deposits from the Treasury. The size of the deposits varies on a seasonal and daily basis. The fact that we had $1.8 billion in TT&L deposits in mid-April is irrelevant. Mid-April is tax time, the time when TT&L deposits are about at their highest levels. The TT&L account is a small part of our deposit base. Yesterday, for example, TT&L deposits were nearly insignificant -- $77 million compared to $18 billion in total deposits, less than one-half of one percent.

As we have reported before, BNEC stopped borrowing from the Federal Reserve's discount window in June because of strengthened liquidity resulting from our ongoing successful regional and national certificate of deposit campaigns. Since July 3, if TT&L had been zero on any given day, we still would have been a seller in the Fed Funds system, not a borrower. Month-to-date, we have averaged selling over $1 billion a night to the system. This is, in large part, a result of the very successful CD campaign which has increased our retail deposit level. Rather than seeing a decline in deposits, we have experienced a regular and consistent increase in retail deposits since early this summer.

As far as the collateral which we and other banks place with the Treasury to secure the deposits we accept from them, the Treasury accepts only the most highly rated collateral for the TT&L account and requires the value of the collateral to be approximately 30 percent more than the balance of the account.

As we have said many times, our recovery will be measured in years, not months but we continue to make progress toward that end. Our costs have been reduced, management has been strengthened and streamlined, credit policies have been improved, and liquidity has been strengthened.

Bank of New England Corporation is a Boston-based interstate bank holding company with assets of $23 billion and banking offices in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island. Its common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and is traded under the symbol NEB.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Kansas City Power & Light Company

(NYSE: KLT) announced today that it is terminating its tender offer for all outstanding common and preferred shares of Kansas Gas and Electric Company (NYSE: KGE). Kansas City Power & Light also announced that it is withdrawing its applications for approval of its proposed merger with Kansas Gas and Electric at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the Kansas Corporation Commission and the Missouri Public Service Commission.

Drue Jennings, president and chief executive officer of Kansas City Power & Light, said, "We began our offer for Kansas Gas and Electric intent on achieving a negotiated transaction that would provide unequaled and tangible benefits to all the communities and constituencies served by both companies, including customers, employees and shareholders. We still believe in the unique benefits of such a combination today. When we made our offer for KG&E, we believed we were making a full and fair offer. Our review of the information made available to us has confirmed our original analysis. Our board has concluded that it is not in the interest of our customers, employees and shareholders to compete with The Kansas Power and Light Company (NYSE: KAN) at the value levels they perceive. In light of this, we believe it is prudent at this time to withdraw our offer. Regardless of this decision, our customers will continue to receive the reliable, competitively-priced power they have come to expect from Kansas City Power & Light."

Kansas City Power & Light has been informed by the Depositary that to date approximately 3,447,964 shares of Kansas Gas and Electric common stock, 32,234 shares of Kansas Gas and Electric 4-1/2 percent preferred stock, 29,916 shares of Kansas Gas and Electric 4.32 percent preferred stock and 21,614 shares of Kansas Gas and Electric 4.28 percent preferred stock have been tendered to Kansas City Power & Light. The shares of common stock tendered represent approximately 11 percent of Kansas Gas and Electric's outstanding common shares.

Kansas City Power & Light, headquartered in Kansas City, is a medium-sized public utility engaged in the generation, transmission, distribution and sale of electricity. In 1989, the company's revenues exceeded $730 million and its net income was $108.6 million. Kansas City Power & Light employs over 2,800 people and currently serves over 409,000 customers ranging across a 4,700 square mile area of western Missouri and eastern Kansas.

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#90347p2983 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Analytical Surveys, Inc. (NASDAQ: ANLT) today announced sales of $7,141,203 for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares to sales of $8,071,410 for the same period last year.

The company reported a net loss for the year of $229,195, or $.09 per share, compared to net income of $168,422, or $.07 per share, for the previous fiscal year.

Net income for the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $18,098, or $.01 per share, compared with a net loss of $95,692, or $.04 per share, for the same period last year. Sales for the fourth quarter were $1,630,372, compared to sales of $2,136,825 for the same quarter one year ago.

According to John Thorpe, chairman and chief executive officer of Analytical Surveys, although the company experienced lower-than-expected sales for the year, it achieved continued quarterly improvement in its bottom-line results over the last three quarters. The lower revenues for the year were primarily the result of sluggish sales in the scanning market.

Several factors combined to produce the profitable fourth quarter. First, due to disappointing results by the company's Southeast Office, we have significantly reorganized this office which has resulted in lowered operating costs. Second, work continued on schedule for the Seattle city project. This project is expected to be completed on time in mid-December 1990.

Analytical Surveys' core production departments, mapping and Geographic Information Systems, continued strong performances during the 1990 fiscal year. The company's GIS department grew significantly during the 12-month period, and this trend is expected to continue to lead the way for overall company growth in fiscal 1991. At year end, the company's sales backlog was $4.9 million.

The company also announced that it has restructured its long-term equipment loans and working capital loans with First Bank System of Minneapolis. Under the new credit agreements, all loans will be extended to Oct. 31, 1991.

Thorpe said, "The vote of confidence demonstrated by First Bank System combined with our continuing emphasis on digital mapping and GIS services effectively positions Analytical Surveys for financial growth and stability in the decade of the '90s."

Analytical Surveys, Inc. is a professional services company providing digital mapping and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) database services. The company is an industry leader in innovative technological advances and productivity. Its clients include cities, counties, utility companies and others making use of the emerging technologies related to digital mapping.

The company's common stock is traded nationally over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol ANLT.

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612-333-6621, for Analytical Surveys

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#90347p2989 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
BETHLEHEM, PA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Bethlehem Steel Corporation (NYSE: BS) announced today that it has signed a lease for a significant portion of its Martin Tower Complex with Dun & Bradstreet Inc. D&B plans to consolidate a number of its offices here from the surrounding area, in a move involving more than 700 D&B employees.

Under the terms of the long-term lease, D&B will occupy nearly all of Martin Tower's adjoining two-story, low-rise building, plus almost two full floors in the steel company's 21-story building.

According to Cushman & Wakefield, Bethlehem Steel's exclusive leasing agent, this is one of the largest single office leases, in terms of square footage, ever consummated in the Lehigh Valley.

D&B employees are slated to occupy the complex by mid-1991. The D&B move will boost the occupancy rate of the Martin Tower Complex to more than 75 percent.

Once the relocation is complete, the Martin Tower Complex will house the offices of three Fortune 500 companies -- Bethlehem Steel Corporation, Dun & Bradstreet Inc. and Union Pacific Corporation.

Dun & Bradstreet Corporation, headquartered in New York City, is the world's largest marketer of business information and related services with worldwide operating revenues of $4.3 billion in 1989. D&B also publishes classified telephone directories and financial and trade publications, and offers commercial and consumer marketing services.

CONTACT: Bethlehem Steel corporate communications, 215-694-3711

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#90347p2990 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
ELMHURST, ILL (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Craig J. Duchossois, president of Duchossois Industries, Inc., today named Merton L. Townsend president of its Chamberlain Manufacturing Corp. unit, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

"Mert brings to the presidency a high level of expertise and a great breadth of experience within the industry," said Duchossois. Townsend joined Chamberlain in 1984 as vice president of the company's Waterloo, Iowa, research and development division. He later served as group vice president of the Chamberlain Technology Group, vice president of corporate development and, most recently, executive vice president of Chamberlain Manufacturing Corp.

A former executive with Aerojet General Corp., Sacramento, Calif., Townsend retired from the U.S. Army in 1980 after heading the Munitions Division at the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Research, Development and Acquisition.

Townsend earned a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Iowa State University, master of science degrees in mechanical engineering and aerospace engineering from the University of Southern California and graduated from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

Chamberlain Manufacturing Corp. manufactures products for national defense and executes research and development for government and private sector markets.

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#90347p2993 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors dealers in the United States today reported the following vehicle sales:

	Period Dec. 1-10		Calendar Year(a) Jan. 1 - Dec. 10	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total Vehicles	103,477	84,660	4,741,161	4,893,797
Percent Change Per S/D	+22.2	---	-3.1	---
Total Cars	68,544	53,372	3,154,090	3,274,424
Percent Change Per S/D	+28.4	---	-3.7	---
Total Trucks	34,933	31,288	1,587,071	1,619,373
Percent Change Per S/D	+11.6	---	-2.0	---

Division	Period Dec. 1-10		Calendar Year Jan. 1 - Dec. 10	
Total Vehicles	1990	1989	1990	1989
Chevrolet	57,752	48,662	2,513,615	2,546,615
Pontiac	15,849	10,486	640,701	650,676
Oldsmobile	8,975	7,733	506,349	575,172
Buick	8,961	7,948	508,675	514,195
Cadillac	4,579	3,739	241,711	251,916
Saturn	299	---	940	---
GMC	7,062	6,092	329,170	355,223

Domestic Sales				
Cars	65,527	51,006	2,991,012	3,120,567
Lt. Duty Trucks	33,872	30,342	1,549,630	1,576,085

NOTE: Eight selling days (S/D) in the December 1-10 period this year and last.

(a) -- Year-to-year percent change is not adjusted for selling days.

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#90347p2995 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH, (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Busy Beaver Home Centers Inc. today filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code in order to restructure its debt.

It cited a seasonal cash shortage despite the profitable operation of its core stores in Pittsburgh. It is Busy Beaver's intent to honor all current customer policies, including returns, gift certificates, deposits, etc., a spokesman for the company said.

The privately held Pittsburgh-based company is a leading regional retailer of lumber, building materials and hardware for the "do-it-yourself" (DIY) market. It operates 12 stores in western Pennsylvania and one in Niles, Ohio, near Youngstown. Three stores in Buffalo, N.Y., and one in Boardman, Ohio, were closed in November.

Charles C. Bender, president and chief executive officer, said the Chapter 11 filing was Busy Beaver's "best alternative" despite a series of cost-cutting actions and "tremendous cooperation" from most creditors. "However, the bank which had helped us in the past by extending a line of credit for our seasonal cash needs refused to do so, and instead exacerbated the situation by making the unusual demand to speed up payments on the loan principal," he said.

"Over the past several months, we have been implementing a comprehensive plan to improve profitability and cash-flow," Bender said. "The effort has included the recent closing of unprofitable operations and significant reductions in our administrative staff."

In addition, he said, the company had met with its suppliers and many had agreed to accept extended payment terms while Busy Beaver dealt with its seasonal cash-flow problem.

"Despite the cooperation of our vendors, we were not able to obtain the infusion of cash we needed to make the plan work without going into Chapter 11

" Bender said. "I believe our out-of-court recovery strategy could have been successful during 1991 if a lender had been willing to provide enough cash to see us through the winter, which is our slowest season."

Bender, who joined Busy Beaver as president in 1985, headed a management group which purchased the company in November 1988 from the Dixons Group P.L.C., of England.

"As with many other retailers, our sales have been soft for several months," Bender said. "In addition, some of the cost-control measures we initiated in order to make our interest payments impared our ability to maintain stock levels and compete effectively.

"We have recognized the possibility of Chapter 11 for some time, and now we plan to use this period of protection to the full advantage of the company. Today's action is an unpleasant but necessary move that will allow us to catch our breath, to regroup, and to refocus on the base markets where Busy Beaver enjoys strong name recognition and competitive positioning."

As the company develops its formal plan of reorganization, he said, management will evaluate all operations closely and consider various alternative courses of action.

"We fully expect to recover and emerge from Chapter 11," Bender said. "We have good people, a strong core of profitable stores, and a strategy for competing successfully in selected regional markets. Busy Beaver will continue to be a serious regional player in the DIY business."

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#90347p2997 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert E. Barrett was elected a senior vice president of UST (NYSE: UST), effective Jan. 1, 1991. The announcement was made at UST's board of directors meeting held today.

As senior vice president of UST, Barrett will be responsible for the newly established corporate development department and external public relations. He will report to Jack Africk, vice chairman. In connection with his new position as senior vice president, Barrett has resigned as a member of the board of directors.

Since 1980, Barrett has headed up Barrett Consultants a consulting firm in the fields of government relations, marketing and public relations. From 1976 to 1980 he served as executive assistant to former President Gerald R. Ford. He

was military aide to the former president during his term in office from 1974 to 1976.

Additionally, Barrett serves as a director of the Vail Valley Foundation and the Gerald R. Ford Foundation.

Barrett is a graduate of C.W. Post University with a bachelor of arts degree in political science. He earned his master's degree in journalism from the S.I. Newhouse School at Syracuse University.

UST, through its subsidiaries, is a leading producer and marketer of moist smokeless tobacco products, including Copenhagen, Skoal, Skoal Long Cut, and Skoal Bandits. Other consumer products marketed by UST's subsidiaries include premium varietal table wines, sold nationally under the Chateau Ste. Michelle, Columbia Crest, Conn Creek, and Villa Mt. Eden labels, quality pipes, imported pipe tobacco, imported cigars and other tobacco-related products.

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#90347p2998 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Renewable Fuels Association (RFA), the trade association for the domestic ethanol industry, today charged that Mobil Corporation advertisements in the Wall Street Journal and The New York Times criticizing enactment of comprehensive new Clean Air legislation is just "more bull from Mobil."

Eric Vaughn, president of RFA, said Mobil's efforts to discredit passage of the most comprehensive environmental legislation in twenty years is a "cynical attempt to cast a shadow over a law which will force companies like Mobil to clean up their act and clean up their fuel."

"They're a little bit like the Grinch who stole Christmas," Vaughn said. "While the public, environmentalists, scientists and health specialists across the nation applaud the efforts of Congress in passing the Clean Air bill, Mobil comes in like the Grinch -- nasty and petty -- trying to steal back the Clean Air package. The public won't stand for it and the Congress and the President won't allow it."

The legislation passed by Congress and signed into law by the President, specifies guidelines for the reformulation of gasoline by using oxygenated fuels to replace harmful, toxic components currently found in gasoline."

Estimates are that as a direct result of the oxygen standards established by this new clean air law, CO non-attainment areas will realize a net reduction of more than 2.5 billion tons of carbon monoxide emissions -- approximately 14 percent of the total CO emissions in those areas. The oxygenated fuel

performance standard alone, will yield enough CO reduction to bring all CO non-attainment areas into compliance. At the same time, reformulated fuels sold in ozone non- attainment areas will reduce the toxic, ozone-forming aromatics by more than 4 billion gallons annually -- providing a dramatic step forward for our nation's health and environment."

"Mobil and its Big Oil brethren lost the fight in Congress to prevent cleaner burning reformulated gasoline from being sold in the nation's worst polluted areas. Now, it appears, they're trying to reformulate their image in the public with these high-priced simplistic ads."

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#90347p3002 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Goulds Pumps, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: GULD) meeting here today, declared a regular quarterly dividend of 19 cents per share on the common stock outstanding.

The dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 4, 1991.

This is the 176th consecutive quarterly dividend payment dating back to 1947.

Goulds Pumps, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of centrifugal pumps and water treatment equipment for industrial, agricultural, commercial and consumer markets. Corporate offices are located in Seneca Falls, N.Y.

CONTACT: John Morphy, vice president-finance of Goulds Pumps, 315-568-2811

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#90347p3008 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The emphasis on continuous quality improvement - a prime focus of the Boeing Commercial Airplane Group - was reinforced today with the appointment of a senior Boeing executive to head the function, the company announced.

Bruce Gissing, currently executive vice president-Operations for the Group, will assume responsibilities for all Continuous Quality Improvement activities on Jan. 2.

BCAG President Dean Thornton said, "Based on our analysis of the need for a senior executive who has managed major organizations and has a broad level of experience, we have requested that Bruce Gissing take on the important task of directing the CQI activity, reporting to the president."

Gissing will supervise the Boeing Continuous Quality Improvement Center, the planning and quality assurance functions and Human Resources.

He will retain responsibility for Boeing of Canada and will also remain as functional executive in charge of Operations for the group.

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#90347p3009 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The E.W. Scripps Company (NASDAQ: EWSCA) today released its monthly revenue and statistical summary for November 1990. The E.W. Scripps Company is a diversified media company which operates 19 daily newspapers, nine television stations, five radio stations and cable television systems with 608,100 basic subscribers. The company also is a worldwide syndicator and licensor of news features and comics, including "Peanuts" and "Garfield."

THE E.W. SCRIPPS COMPANY
Unaudited Revenue and Statistical Summary
Period: November
Report date: December 13, 1990

	November (A)		
	1990	1989	Pct Change
REVENUE (000,000s)			
Local	$24.2	$24.8	(2.4)
Classified	12.9	13.7	(5.8)
National	2.6	3.1	(16.1)
Preprints	7.2	7.4	(2.7)
Newspaper advertising	46.9	49.0	(4.3)
Circulation	11.6	11.3	2.7
Other publishing(B)	15.5	17.8	(12.9)
PUBLISHING	74.0	78.1	(5.2)
BROADCASTING(C)	23.7	22.7	4.4
CABLE TELEVISION	17.7	15.2	16.4
OTHER	0.9	1.1	(18.2)
CONSOLIDATED	$116.3	$117.1	(0.7)
Newspaper ad inches (000s)			
Local	987	1,066	(7.4)
Classified	910	924	(1.5)
National	60	71	(15.5)
Full run ROP	1,957	2,061	(5.0)
Part run ROP	106	100	6.0
Total	2,063	2,161	(4.5)
Cable TV basic subs (000s)			
Sacramento, CA	193.9	164.9	

Other systems	414.2	382.5
Total	608.1	547.4

	Year to Date		
	1990	1989	Pct Change
REVENUE (000,000s)			
Local	$224.6	$229.0	(1.9)
Classified	164.8	165.4	(0.4)
National	29.4	29.2	0.7
Preprints	57.7	60.7	(4.9)
Newspaper advertising	476.5	484.3	(1.6)
Circulation	129.2	127.0	1.7
Other publishing(B)	164.0	159.6	2.8
PUBLISHING	769.7	770.9	(0.2)
BROADCASTING(C)	217.0	203.5	6.6
CABLE TELEVISION	181.6	161.3	12.6
OTHER	13.2	15.0	(12.0)
CONSOLIDATED	$1,181.5	$1,150.7	2.7
Newspaper ad inches (000s)			
Local	9,454	9,980	(5.3)
Classified	10,856	10,937	(0.7)
National	647	694	(6.8)
Full Run ROP	20,957	21,611	(3.0)
Part run ROP	1,128	1,068	5.6
Total	22,085	22,679	(2.6)

(A) November 1990 had one more Friday and one less Wednesday than November 1989.

(B) Includes licensing, syndication, book publishing, share of profits of JOA newspapers not managed by the company, commercial printing, and the newspaper sold 2/17/89.

The divested newspaper had revenues of $1.1 million year to date 1989.

(C) Revenues include political advertising of $2.0 million in the month of November 1990 and $0.4 million in November 1989; for year to date, $8.8 million in 1990 and $1.2 million in 1989.

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#90347p3010 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Edward W. Scripps Trust, which is the controlling shareholder of The E.W. Scripps Company, announced today that, as part of a decision to diversify the trust estate by selling shares of Class A

common stock of the company from time to time, it has agreed to sell 2,000,000 of such shares to the company for $31.5 million.

Following the sale, the trust will own approximately 75 percent of the Scripps Class A common stock (NASDAQ: EWSCA) and approximately 79 percent of the Scripps common voting stock. These securities represent a substantial portion of the assets of the trust. Under the agreement establishing the trust, the trustees must retain stock sufficient to ensure control of the company until final disposition of the trust estate, unless earlier dispositions are necessary for the purpose of preventing loss or damange to the trust.

Donald E. Melhaus, who is secretary of the trust, stated that no decisions have been made as to any further sales, but that shares could be sold from time to time in private transactions or to the public in routine brokerage transactions or registered offerings.

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#90347p3011 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Boeing Commercial Airplane Group today delivered the 100th 747-400, an all-passenger model for Canadian Airlines. Christened the "Maxwell W. Ward," the -400 left Boeing Field bound for Vancouver, B.C., at about 11:30 a.m. It will initially operate between Canadian cities and Hawaii, and later to Pacific Rim destinations.

At the delivery ceremony in Seattle's Museum of Flight, Richard R. Albrecht, Boeing Commercial Airplane Group executive vice president, said "The -400 is the flagship of the Boeing product line, and to be sending off the 100th airplane is an important milestone for all of us at Boeing." One hundred employees from the Everett Division, where the 747s are built, represented their fellow employees at the ceremony.

The first 747-400 was delivered less than two years ago to Northwest Airlines. Since its launch, 31 customers have announced orders for 399 of the advanced technology jetliners. During 1990, 19 customers have announced orders for 172 747s, more than doubling the previous record set in 1966.

The 747-400 incorporates advanced technology in aerodynamics, structural materials, avionics and interior design. Flown by a crew of two, the 747-400 can carry as many as 400 passengers in a three-class arrangement more than 8,000 miles.

As it happens, the very first 747 also was delivered on a December 13, in 1969 to Pan Am. Since then, the 800 747s in commercial service have flown more than 14.8 billion miles and carried more than a billion passengers.

CONTACT: T. Craig Martin of the Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, (206) 237-8050.

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#90347p3015 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDDLETOWN, PA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Homestead Holding Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: HMSD) President and Chief Executive Officer Gary L. Holman today issued the following statement:

"I am very pleased to announce that Homestead Holding Corporation (the 'corporation') has entered into an agreement with central Pennsylvania businessman John O. Vartan relative to his advising and investing in the corporation. We also have additional information from the regulators as to the extent of reserves that will likely be required as a result of the completion of their examination.

"The consulting agreement calls for the corporation's management to draw on Mr. Vartan's expertise in the real estate and financing fields. In addition, Mr. Vartan will purchase newly issued shares of the corporation's common stock equal to 5 percent of the corporation's shares, thereby strengthening the capital position of the corporation. Further, Mr. Vartan will receive options to purchase an additional 15 percent of the corporation's common stock during the next two years."

Vartan today said: "The thrift industry has been the subject of a great deal of negative press during the past few months. Those thrifts that have a sound community base will survive the present difficulties and emerge as viable institutions.

"I believe that the corporation has a strong underlying franchise in our community, and given the proper attention during the next 12 to 24 months, it will emerge as a strong local institution.

"I am therefore delighted that management has welcomed local investments, and I will do my best to strengthen the value of the corporation."

The corporation had announced on Oct. 29, 1990, that it expected to record a significant charge to operations in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, ending Dec. 31, 1990, due to significant write-downs of the value of certain real estate ventures involving wholly owned subsidiaries of the Homestead Savings Association ("association"), as well as increases in the association's reserve for possible loan losses. The anticipated write-downs and reserves were due in part to a high level of assets tentatively classified by the Office of Thrift Supervision ("OTS") and the Pennsylvania Department of Banking. At such time, the corporation said it did not believe that it would be prudent to project the exact amount of the charge or its effect on the corporation's results of operations since the proposed classifications were preliminary in nature.

However, on Dec. 12, 1990, the association received an updated memorandum from the OTS concerning loan classifications and reserves which is substantially similar to the preliminary findings, and while such classifications and reserves are still not exact and, in fact, are subject to negotiation, the corporation said it believes that reserves of approximately $12 million will be charged to operations in the fourth quarter of 1990. The association said it believes that such reserves will result in the association's inability to meet any of its capital requirements. Accordingly, the association anticipates that it will be required to file a capital plan with the OTS addressing the association's plan for achieving compliance with its regulatory requirement.

The company's deposits are insured to the full extent of the law by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

Homestead Holding Corp. is the parent company of Homestead Savings Association Homestead Services Corp., Homestead Financial Service Corp., Homestead Equities Inc., Homestead Capital Corp. and Homestead Group Inc. Realtor.

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#90347p3016 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of trustees of both Income Opportunity Realty Trust (ASE: IOT) and Vinland Property Trust (NASDAQ: VIPTS) today announced the two trusts will hold annual meetings of shareholders on Feb. 6, 1991, in Dallas.

Shareholders of record Dec. 24, 1990, are eligible to vote on issues including the election of trustees and approval of the trusts' advisory agreements. Income Opportunity also announced it has decided not to proceed at this time with the incorporation procedure or reverse split that were previously announced.

Income Opportunity Realty Trust and Vinland Property Trust are real estate investment trusts which primarily invest in mortgage loans, real estate and real estate-related entities.

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#90347p3018 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bell Industries Inc. (NYSE: BI) declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per

share, payable Feb. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 25, 1991.

Bell Industries Inc. distributes and manufactures products for the electronics computer, building, graphic arts and other markets.

CONTACT: Bruce M. Jaffe of Bell Industries Inc., 213-826-6778; or Melvyn S. Rifkind of Melvyn S. Rifkind Inc., 818-783-8323, for Bell Industries Inc.

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#90347p3021 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange board of governors today named three interim members to fill one industry and two public vacancies on the exchange's governing board. The three, who will serve until the annual membership meeting in April 1991 when they will be eligible to stand for election, are:

-- Clifford L. Alexander Jr., former secretary of the Army and now president of Alexander & Associates Incorporated, a private consulting firm based in Washington. Alexander will fill the vacancy created by the death of Ambassador Franklin Williams.

-- Max C. Chapman Jr., co-chairman of Nomura Securities International, Inc., and former president and chief operating officer of Kidder, Peabody Group Inc. Chapman will fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Howard Brenner.

-- Dr. Martin Feldstein, the George F. Baker Professor of Economics at Harvard University and president of the National Bureau of Economic Research. Feldstein, who served as chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers in the Reagan administration, will fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Roger W. Johnson.

All three new members were recommended by the exchange's nominating committee headed by Robert Carswell, a public member of the board.

Jones Cites Caliber, Experience American Stock Exchange Chairman James R. Jones praised the nominating committee for recommending candidates of "exceptional caliber and a wide range of experience who will contribute immeasureably to the strategic direction being charted for this institution in the 1990s."

In April, Alexander will be eligible to run for the two years remaining on Williams' term which runs until 1993. The terms of Brenner and Johnson would have expired in April 1991; therefore Chapman and Feldstein will be eligible to run for full three-year terms.

Under the Amex Constitution, governors are eligible to serve two consecutive three-year terms. The Amex board of governors is comprised of 12 public

members and 12 industry members, with the chairman of the exchange serving as the 25th member.

CONTACT: Bob Shabazian of American Stock Exchange, 212-306-1630

-30- 2353

#90347p3022 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - AMVEST Minerals Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of AMVEST Corporation, recently announced the purchase of the Birch River coal properties located in Nicholas, Clay, and Braxton counties, West Virginia. This coal mining operation contains approximately 16,000,000 recoverable tons of coal on 16,000 acres of property.

The coal produced from the Birch River operations is shipped to utilities in the eastern and midwestern parts of the United States and Canada. Shipments of this product will originate on the Conrail and B&O railways.

AMVEST Corporation is a privately-held company, headquartered in Charlottesville, Virginia, involved in coal mining, merchant banking, and oil and gas exploration and production.

CONTACT: Paula Lyszyk, Corporate Communications, AMVEST Corporation, 804-977-3350 or 804-972-7709

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#90347p3025 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation's oil and gas exploration unit, NOMECO Oil & Gas Co., announced today that it and its joint venture partners have signed a contract for petroleum exploration, development and production in the Dongting Basin of Hunan Province, the People's Republic of China, with the China National Oil Development Corporation.

It is believed that this is the first contract to be issued to foreigners for petroleum exploration on China's mainland.

The joint venture is composed of NOMECO China Oil Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of NOMECO Oil & Gas Co., with a 15-percent interest, Petrocorp Exploration China Limited, a subsidiary of New Zealand's Fletcher Challenge Limited, which is the operator and has a 60-percent interest, and Santa Fe Energy Resources of China, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Santa Fe Energy Resources, Inc., a U.S. company which holds a 25-percent interest.

The China National Oil Development Corporation has the option to participate for up to a 51-percent interest in the development of any oil fields discovered in the contract area.

The contract area covers 15,900 square kilometers (approximately 3.9 million acres) and is located approximately 450 miles west of Shanghai on the southern part of a major oil producing trend called the East China Rift System.

NOMECO, Michigan's largest independent oil and gas producer, is engaged in exploration and/or production activities in 14 states and eight foreign countries.

CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS) is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services. CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth-largest combination utility.

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#90347p3026 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DUESSELDORF, GERMANY/SANTA ROSA, CALIF. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Henkel KGaA, Duesseldorf, plans to set up a new company for research, development and marketing of biotechnology and environmental technology.

The new company, which will begin operating in early 1991, will be headquartered in Duesseldorf with a subsidiary in Santa Rosa, where Henkel currently operates a biotechnological research laboratory.

Up to now, research in the fields of biotechnology and environmental technology, and the related process development, has been carried out in various organizational units within Henkel. Over the years, these units have built up significant problem-solving expertise related to biotechnology and ecology. The new company will focus on assembling this expertise, develop it further where necessary, and market it directly to outside parties.

The business of the new company will be the development and application of biotechnological techniques, analytical processes and new technologies for the solution to environmental problems. The company will include parts of existing Henkel units, e.g. from Duesseldorf biotechnology and process development groups and the Santa Rosa biotechnological laboratory with its expertise in molecular biology and environmental analytics.

Henkel executives said they believe the researchers in the new company will be highly motivated by the opportunity to market their research results on a direct and independent basis.

CONTACT: Bill Kosman of Henkel, 215-270-8196

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#90347p3028 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - American Airlines today announced a new and easier than ever way for its AAdvantage members to earn free round trip travel. The program is called AAdvantage Special.

Members can earn their free trip by flying as few as three round trips or eight flight segments on American, whichever is more convenient.

"Some AAdvantage members will be able to earn their free trips more quickly by counting round trips -- others will find that flight segments add up faster," said Michael W. Gunn, American's senior vice president-marketing. "As the industry's first frequent flyer program, AAdvantage has always been innovative. This new program continues that tradition."

The AAdvantage Special program also allows members to earn two free round trips by completing five round trips or 14 segments; or three free round trips by flying seven round trips or 20 segments.

The qualifying flights must be flown between Dec. 15, 1990, and March 15, 1991. Free award travel must begin on or after May 15, 1991, and be completed by Dec. 31, 1991.

The free tickets can also be given to a friend or relative and are good anywhere American Airlines or American Eagle fly in the Continental United States, Canada, Mexico, the Bahamas, Bermuda, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Travelers who are not AAdvantage members may join the program through Jan. 15, 1991, and still qualify for AAdvantage Special.

CONTACT: Tim Smith of American Airlines, 817-967-3273

-30- 1690
#90347p3032 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Barbers(R), Hairstyling for Men & Women, Inc. (Local OTC) today announced record results for the fiscal year ended Sept. 27, 1990. Year-end profits were $253,259, or $.15 per share, the highest in the history of the company. This was an increase of $.02 per share over the previous year. Net revenue totaled $12,456,029, a decrease of 5.3 percent from last year. Revenue from franchise fees and royalties was up 21 percent over the previous year; revenue from the sale of beauty products and equipment increased by 17 percent. Revenue from company-owned salons decreased 50 percent versus the prior year. This decrease in revenue was due to the company's strategic decision to reduce the number of company-owned salons and focus the company's resources on franchising. The total number of

Cost Cutters(R) and City Looks(R) salons grew from 438 in 1989 to 500 in 1990. This growth has continued on into fiscal 1991. As of the date of this release, the total number of salons open is 518.

Fred Huggins, president and chief executive officer, stated, "We are committed to providing our shareholders with consistent and predictable earnings. Our fiscal 1990 results reflect that commitment. We have focused our efforts on becoming the finest franchised hair salon company in North America. We'll accomplish this mission with pre-planned direction, consistency and above all unparalleled service to our franchisee network."

The Barbers, Hairstyling for Men & Women, Inc. offers two franchise opportunities, City Looks which is an upscale full-service hair care franchise and the Cost Cutters Family Hair Care Shops which provides value-priced hair care services on an a la carte basis. The company also distributes beauty supplies and its own private label hair-care products to its franchise salons.

The common stock of The Barbers, Hairstyling for Men & Women, Inc. is traded on the local over-the-counter market system under the symbol Barber Hair.

CONTACT: Frederick A. Huggins of The Barbers, 612-331-8500, ext. 145

-30- 2249
#90347p3034 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WAUKESHA, WIS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Hein-Werner Corp. (AMEX: HNW) today announced that its board of directors has declared a 5 percent stock dividend, payable Jan. 23, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 9, 1991.

Joseph L. Dindorf, president and chief executive officer, stated, "While the company has paid a special year-end cash dividend over the last several years, the board decided, in the current difficult economic environment, that it was appropriate to pay a stock dividend." Dindorf added, "The declaration of the stock dividend gives recognition to future opportunities and the long-term earnings growth prospects for Hein-Werner."

Fractional share interests will be paid in cash based on the closing stock price on the American Stock Exchange as of the record date, Jan. 9, 1991. The company's transfer agent, The First Wisconsin Trust Co., Milwaukee, will accept instructions from brokers until Jan. 16, 1991, regarding allocations of shares of cash for fractional interests to nominees.

Hein-Werner Corp. is a leading worldwide manufacturer and marketer of collision repair, automotive service and fluid power equipment. The company has manufacturing operations in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Europe.

CONTACT: Daniel Z. Gutt, vice president-finance and treasurer, of Hein-Werner 414-542-6611

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#90347p3035 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
PROVIDENCE, RI (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Textron's (NYSE: TXT) board of directors has approved the additional purchase of up to five million shares of the company's common stock, B.F. Dolan, Textron's chairman and chief executive officer, announced today.

The shares will be purchased from time to time in the open market and otherwise and are in addition to a five million share buyback announced last April, under which Textron had purchased 4,423,500 shares as of Dec. 1.

Dolan said the stock repurchase program is a reflection of the company's continuing confidence in its prospects. "We regard our stock as an attractive investment at current price levels," he added.

Textron is a multi-industry company with operations in three business sectors -- Aerospace Technology, Commercial Products and Financial Services.

CONTACT: Raymond W. Caine, Jr., of Textron, 401-421-2800

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#90347p3040 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
PORTLAND, OR (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - NERCO Inc.'s (NYSE, Toronto: NER) board of directors today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 16 cents per share payable Feb. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 31, 1991.

In other action, the board established May 8, 1991, as the date of the annual meeting of shareholders. The record date for shareholders eligible to vote will be March 20, 1991.

Separately, the NERCO board elected Peter J. Craven, 34, as vice president and controller, and elected Ken Rohan, 37, as vice president of information systems. Craven joined NERCO in 1982 and was named controller in March. Rohan most recently was manager of information systems for the natural resource company.

NERCO is one of the largest North American producers of coal, oil, natural gas gold and silver. Approximately 82 percent of NERCO's common stock is indirectly owned by PacifiCorp (NYSE: PPW), a diversified electric utility also based here.

CONTACT: Robert S. Hess, 503-731-6678, or Richard T. O'Brien, 503-731-6732, both of NERCO Inc.

-30- 1243
#90347p3042 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - A fourth quarter 1990 dividend of 18 cents per share has been declared by the board of directors of First National Bancorp (NASDAQ: FBAC), Gainesville, Ga.

The fourth quarter dividend represents an increase of 12.5 percent over the 16 cents declared for fourth quarter 1989 and compares favorably to the 17.5 cents declared for the third quarter 1990. The dividend is payable Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 14.

The dividend is in accord with the company's announced objective to increase per share dividends at least 18 percent per year.

First National Bancorp, with assets of over $1.5 billion, is a north Georgia-based bank holding company with 11 affiliate banks.

CONTACT: Peter D. Miller, executive vice president of First National Bancorp, 404-535-5566

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#90347p3043 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Sunshine Mining Co. (NYSE: SSC) announced that it had declared a quarterly dividend on its $11.94 (Stated Value) Cumulative Preferred Stock.

The dividend is payable Dec. 31, 1990, to holders of record on Dec. 21, 1990. The dividend will be payable in Sunshine Common Stock based on the annual dividend rate of $1.19 per Preferred share. The number of Common shares to be issued will be computed based on the average closing price of Sunshine Common Stock for the 10 trading days commencing Dec. 12, 1990. Stock certificates will be mailed approximately Jan. 15, 1991.

CONTACT: Harry B. Ireland of Sunshine Mining Co., 214-855-8799

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#90347p3049 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
ORANGE, CA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bergen Brunswig Corp. (AMEX: BBC) has declared a regular cash dividend of 10 cents per share on Class A Common Stock and 95.285 cents per share on Class B Common Stock, both payable March 1, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Feb. 1, 1991.

Bergen Brunswig Corp. is one of the nation's largest distributors of prescription pharmaceuticals and other healthcare products and the largest national distributor of prerecorded video cassettes.

CONTACT: George E. Reinhardt Jr., CFO, Bergen Brunswig Corp., 714-385-4000.

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#90347p3050 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTONA BEACH, FLA. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of the board of directors of Consolidated-Tomoka Land Co. (NASDAQ: CTLC) held on Dec. 13, three new officers were elected.

Robert F. Apgar was elected to the position of vice president - Corporate Counsel. Apgar, a resident of DeLand, joins the company from Brandywine Enterprises Inc., a real estate development corporation in DeLand, where he held the position of vice president. He is a 1971 honors graduate of the University of Florida College of Law, currently serving on the DeLand City Commission, and is a director of the DeLand Area Chamber of Commerce. He has been active in numerous civic activities, such as the United Way of Volusia County. Bob Allen, president of Consolidated-Tomoka Land Co., stated that, "The company will gain many benefits from Bob's counsel based upon a background of extensive real estate experience and public service to our local communities."

Joseph Benedict III was elected to the position of vice president - Government Relations. Benedict has served as director of Government Relations since joining the company on Jan. 1, 1989. Bob Allen explained that "this promotion reflects Joe's commitment to the highest standards of government relations, commitment to extensive involvement in public service and commitment to the pursuit of responsible growth management. The position designation of vice president, one of the company's highest ranking offices, also addresses the company's awareness of the ever-increasing need for a public-private partnership approach to real estate development activities."

William H. McMunn was elected president of Indigo Development Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Consolidated-Tomoka Land Co., effective Jan. 1, 1991. McMunn is a 1970 honors graduate of Rollins College and received his MBA from Crummer School of Finance and Business Administration. McMunn was most recently self-employed as a real estate developer with projects in Ormond Beach, Port Orange, and Melbourne. Prior to that he was president and chief executive officer of Coastline Enterprises Inc., a real estate development subsidiary of Heritage Federal Savings and Loan. Coastline's largest project was the award-winning Countryside residential and commercial project in Port Orange. Bob Allen said: "We are very pleased that Bill is joining our team. His knowledge of the local real estate market and his experience with highly successful projects will help position our company for future growth."

The company's holdings include Indigo Lakes Resort at Daytona Beach, a 3,500-acre citrus operation with a fresh fruit packing house in Highlands County, and approximately 29,000 acres of land in Volusia County, as well as a

forestry operation, property leasing, and commercial and residential real estate.

CONTACT: Bob D. Allen of Consolidated-Tomoka, 904-255-7558

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#90347p3051 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Whitman Corp. (NYSE: WH) announced today that J. Larry Vowell, 49, has been named president and chief executive officer of Hussmann Corp., effective immediately. He will report to Bruce Chelberg, executive vice president of Whitman. Hussmann, a wholly owned subsidiary of Whitman, is the world's leading producer of food store refrigeration and display cases.

Vowell has been with Hussmann for his entire business career, moving through a broad range of responsibilities during his 31 years with the company. He was named president and chief operating officer of Hussmann USA in April 1990.

James W. Cozad, chairman and chief executive officer of Whitman, said, "Larry Vowell has proved that he will be a strong leader for Hussmann. After a difficult first half of the year, Larry and his management team turned Hussmann around and produced an outstanding second half result. The order backlog is now the best it's been in several years, and 1991 should show a solid improvement. It's a strong company with a bright future, and we're delighted to have Larry as its chief executive."

Vowell has a B.S. in marketing from St. Louis University. Whitman Corp. also announced today that Richard D. Neece, 45, has been named executive vice president-finance and administration for Hussmann Corp., effective immediately. He will report to J. Larry Vowell, president and CEO of Hussmann.

Neece has had a 10-year career at Whitman, moving from director of internal audit to vice president of financial systems, to vice president of corporate planning and development. Prior to his service at Whitman, he worked in the audit department of Price Waterhouse and Pullman, Inc.

He has a B.S. in accounting from the University of Illinois, and an M.B.A. from the University of Chicago.

CONTACT: Whitman Corporate Communications, 312-565-3000

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#90347p3052 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Food and Drug Administration Biological Response Modifiers Advisory Committee today recommended approval of Immunex Corporation's (NASDAQ: IMNX) granulocyte macrophage colony stimulating

factor, or GM-CSF. The drug will be used as adjunct therapy in bone marrow transplantation, a treatment for some forms of cancer and other diseases.

The committee's recommendation to the FDA brings GM-CSF closer to final approval. The drug will be available for distribution when the FDA completes its own review of the product license application, and clears the product for marketing, under the trademark Leukine(TM).

Immunex submitted its Product and Establishment License Applications to the FDA in February 1990. In September 1990, the FDA granted Leukine GM-CSF Treatment IND (investigational new drug) status, making the drug available at no charge to desperately ill patients. Immunex's GM-CSF also received FDA Orphan Drug designation earlier in the year.

GM-CSF is a genetically engineered version of a human protein that promotes growth and differentiation of white blood cells called granulocytes and macrophages. In addition to bone marrow transplantation, the drug is also being investigated for reversing neutropenia, a white blood cell deficiency in cancer patients treated with chemotherapy.

"The advisory committee's recommendation of GM-CSF is an important step for our company," said Steven Gillis, Ph.D., executive vice president, research and development, Immunex Corporation. "We are pleased that this panel of nationally recognized experts supports GM-CSF treatment, and we will continue to work closely with the FDA to complete the approval process."

Immunex is a pharmaceutical company focused on the research, development, manufacture and marketing of products to treat immune system disorders. The company developed GM-CSF with support from Behringwerke, A.G. (Marburg, Germany) and Hoechst-Roussel Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Somerville, N.J.)

CONTACT: Jason Rubin or Valoree Dowell, 301-468-1100 (through Dec. 14); or Mary McConnon, 202-587-0430, all of Immunex.

-30- 2338

#90347p3053 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Roadway Motor Plazas, Inc. (NASDAQ: RDWI) today reported earnings of $228,502 or 4 cents per share on revenue of $38,354,321 for the fiscal second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, compared to net income of $39,955 or 1 cent per share on revenue of $30,738,615 for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989. John Holahan, the company president, reported that although fuel prices have increased dramatically during the quarter, a return to historical fuel margins has allowed the company to return to its previous level of profitability.

Net profit for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990 was $658,090 or 13 cents per share on revenue of $70,122,153, compared to $256,675 or 5 cents per share on

revenue of $60,387,282 for the same period in the prior fiscal year. The 18 percent increase in sales reflects the addition of two new travel centers in Indiana and one in Greencastle, Pa., as well as the increased retail pricing of fuel. The increase in net income is attributable to improved profit margins on diesel fuel and a reduction in expenses as a percent of sales.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS (UNAUDITED)

	THREE MONTHS ENDED OCT. 31		SIX MONTHS ENDED OCT. 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
REVENUE	$38,354,321	$30,738,615	$71,122,153	$60,387,282
NET INCOME	228,502	39,955	658,090	256,675
PER SHARE	$.04	$.01	$.13	$.05
SHARES O/S	5,184,038	5,287,327	5,189,275	5,294,027

CONTACT: John Holahan or Don Lofstrom, 716-235-3615, both of Roadway Motor Plazas

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#90347p3055 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - John Radziwill, Pierre L. Schoenheimer and Matthew P. Sheppard (the group), all directors and officers of Radix Ventures, Inc. (the corporation) have today extended their tender offer to purchase 100,000 shares of common stock $.01 par value, of the corporation (formerly Lewis Total Marketing Group, Inc.) at $4.50 per share net. The tender offer will now expire on Dec. 24, 1990. The tender offer is not conditional upon any minimum number of shares being tendered. As of Dec. 12, 1990, 92,775 shares have been tendered and not withdrawn. The group has reserved the right to purchase shares in excess of 100,000. The exchange agent for the tender offer is Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, 212-406-2740.

CONTACT: Pierre L. Schoenheimer, 212-697-9141, or Matthew P. Sheppard, 213-338-2400, both of Radix Ventures

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#90347p3056 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Radix Ventures, Inc. today announced unaudited results for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

RADIX VENTURES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
(Unaudited)

Three months ended Oct. 31	1990	1989
Gross billings	$102,267,794	$106,273,358
Less duty, freight and other direct costs	95,027,948	99,597,939
Net fees and commissions	7,239,846	6,675,419
Operating expenses	7,000,944	6,459,244

Operating income	238,902	216,175
Interest expense, net	(88,428)	(137,083)
Income before income taxes	150,474	79,092
Income taxes	60,189	31,637
Total	90,285	47,455
Net income per share (based on 771,500 shares outstanding)	$0.12	$0.06

CONTACT: Pierre L. Schoenheimer, chairman of Radix Ventures, 212-697-9141

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#90347p3058 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Giant Food Inc.'s (AMEX: GFS.A) Audit Committee today recommended the appointment of Price Waterhouse, Certified Public Accountants (Washington Office), to Giant's voting shareholders. The recommendation was unanimously approved by the voting shareholders.

Price Waterhouse will replace Laventhol Horwath, which discontinued its operations about Nov. 21, 1990. Price Waterhouse will immediately begin its work on the audit for Giant's fiscal year which ends next Feb. 23, 1991.

CONTACT: David B. Sykes of Giant Food Inc., 301-341-8480

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#90347p3059 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of trustees of Vanguard Real Estate Fund II (NASDAQ-NMS: VRETS) today declared a quarterly distribution in the amount of $.21 per share, payable no later than Jan. 31, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

This distribution is consistent with the fund's policy of paying a regular quarterly distribution, with a higher payment at year-end should the fund's earnings and cash flow permit. Including this payment, the fund will have distributed $.66 per share to its shareholders in 1990.

Vanguard Real Estate Fund II is a finite-life real estate investment trust whose shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System. The NASDAQ trading symbol for the fund is VRETS and the newspaper listing is VREF II.

This communication shall not constitute and offer to sell or the soliciation of an offer to buy shares of Vanguard Real Estate Fund II.

CONTACT: Jeff Molitor, assistant vp of the Vanguard Group, 215-648-6232

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#90347p3060 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OHIO (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - American Honda Motor Co. Inc. today introduced the 1991 Accord Wagon to the national automotive and business press in Marysville, Ohio.

The Accord Wagon, which will be built exclusively at Honda's manufacturing plant in Marysville, is the first Honda automobile to be designed, engineered and developed in the United States. Honda R&D North America was responsible for the wagon project, with its Los Angeles Center handling design stages and the Ohio Center near Marysville charged with supplier and prototype development.

As the first ever wagon version of Honda's popular mid-size Accord, the new automobile is expected to help solidify the Accord's position as the top-selling automobile in the United States. In addition, the Accord Wagon will become the first U.S.-manufactured Honda automobile to be exported to Europe in 1991, and will also be exported to Japan.

All Accord Wagons feature the 2.2 liter, 16-valve fuel-injected engine, delivering 125 horsepower in LX trim. A dual-stage intake manifold helps the EX engine produce 140 horsepower for added performance. The Accord Wagon also features a double wishbone suspension front and rear for a combination of excellent handling and a comfortable ride.

Standard features for both LX and EX versions include supplemental restraint system (SRS) with driver's side airbag, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo cassette, cruise control and power- operated side mirrors, windows and door locks.

In addition, the more luxurious EX version features a power moonroof, keyless entry system and more powerful 140-horsepower engine.

Prices for 1991 Accord Wagon will range from $17,300 suggested retail for an LX with 5-speed manual transmission, to $19,800 for the EX equipped with a 4-speed automatic. EPA fuel economy estimates for the Wagon are city/highway 22/27 with a 5-speed manual transmission and 20/26 with 4-speed automatic transmission.

The Accord Wagon will be available at Honda dealerships nationwide, beginning the week of Dec. 14, 1990

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-30- 2323

#90347p3062 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Jeep(R), the world's best known

4x4 vehicle, is making its first appearance in the Middle East's Gulf countries in 25 years at this week's Jeddah Motor Show at the new Jeddah International Exhibition Centre.

Famed for its exploits in World War II and for its amazing reliability over all kinds of terrain, the modern-day Jeep sport utility is proving to be a star attraction at the show. The Jeep vehicles are featured on the United Arab Motors' Chrysler stand.

Chrysler is also using the Jeddah Motor Show to launch the Detroit-based corporation's wide range of 1991 models into the kingdom of Saudi Arabia, as well as the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Qatar, Kuwait and Oman. The two stands featuring Chrysler vehicles at the Jeddah show are sponsored by Alesayi Trading Corporation, headquartered in Jeddah and the distributor of Chrysler products in the western/central province of Saudi Arabia, and United Arab Motors, based in Riyadh, which is distributing Dodge and Jeep models throughout Saudi Arabia and Chrysler cars in the eastern province.

"We are very pleased to bring Jeep into the Middle East after a long absence," said Joseph E. Cappy, Chrysler Vice President - International Operations. "Jeep vehicles are uniquely suited to this region and we are enthusiastic about the public's response to their availability. Chrysler is making a major commitment to the Middle East, which we believe is a very important market."

Jeep models represent the largest share of Chrysler's vehicle sales outside of North America and have an illustrious history that dates back 50 years. Chrysler Corporation acquired the Jeep product line as a result of the merger with American Motors Corporation in 1987.

Today's rather luxurious Jeep models, however, bear little resemblance to the ones that starred in the theaters of war (and in innumerable Hollywood films) and is expected to be a top contender with 4x4 enthusiasts in Saudi Arabia and the Middle East.

The two models, Jeep Cherokee and Jeep Wrangler, each come in four different versions. The five-door 190-horsepower Cherokee range includes the Cherokee Base, Sport, Laredo and Cherokee Limited edition. The two-door Wrangler is a fun-and-freedom machine, with the Wrangler Base, Islander, Sahara and Laredo in the range. All Jeep models are equipped with 4.0-liter, six-cylinder engines and either manual or automatic transmissions.

Chrysler is mounting a major campaign on the regional automobile market in the Middle East, and the wide and varied range of models on display at the Jeddah Show also include the Chrysler Imperial, New Yorker Salon and Acclaim, as well as the Dodge Dynasty and Spirit.

CONTACT: Karen M. Stewart of Chrysler, 313-252-8800.

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PONTIAC, MI (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Strong performances by the LeMans and Sunbird paced Pontiac Division to a 51-percent total vehicle sales gain for the first 10 days of December vs. the same 10-day sales period in 1989.

Pontiac reported deliveries of 15,849 vehicles compared with sales of 10,486 units in the year-ago period. Through the first period of December, Pontiac's total vehicle sales in the 1991 model year are 10.7 percent ahead of the same period in the 1990 model year.

LeMans posted an increase of 286 percent based on sales of 1,062 units during the Dec. 1-10 period.

Sunbird sales of 5,482 units represented a 167.5-percent gain over the Dec. 1-10 period last year. For the model year to date, Sunbird sales are up 57.7 percent.

Grand Prix and Trans Sport posted gains of 57 percent and 26 percent, respectively.

CONTACT: Rick Asher of Pontiac Division, 313-857-1567.

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TORONTO (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Horsham Corporation (NYSE, TSE, MSE: HSM)announced today that the Toronto and Montreal stock exchanges have accepted notices filed by Horsham in connection with a normal course issuer bid for the period of 12 months commencing Dec. 17, 1990.

The notices provide that the company may during the 12-month period commencing Dec. 17, 1990 and ending Dec. 16, 1991, purchase on the Toronto and Montreal stock exchanges up to five million subordinate voting shares, being approximately 9.6 percent of the public float of its subordinate voting shares as at the date hereof, subject to a maximum aggregate expenditure by Horsham of approximately $40 million. The price which Horsham may pay for any such shares will be the market price of such shares at the time of the acquisition. The actual number of subordinate voting shares which may be purchased and the timing of any such purchases will be determined by Horsham. There are 77,258,932 subordinate voting shares outstanding with the public float amounting to approximately 52,167,706 subordinate voting shares.

Horsham believes that its subordinate voting shares have been trading in a price range which does not adequately reflect their value in relation to Horsham's business and its future business prospects. As a result, depending upon future price movements and other factors, Horsham believes that its

outstanding subordinate voting shares may represent an attractive investment and a desirable use of a portion of its available funds.

Horsham is a major North American company with assets of US$850 million. The company's shares are listed on the New York, Toronto and Montreal stock exchanges.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - BLOCKBUSTER Entertainment Corporation (NYSE: BV) announced today that company President Luigi Salvaneschi will retire Feb. 1, 1991 to return to teaching by joining the faculty of Barry University. Salvaneschi will continue to be involved at BLOCKBUSTER for the next two years and also remain on the board of directors. Vice Chairman Scott Beck will continue as chief operating officer.

Salvaneschi, who had retired earlier from Kentucky Fried Chicken, was an adjunct professor at the University of Louisville when he joined BLOCKBUSTER in 1987 in charge of real estate and construction. Earlier, he spent 23 years with McDonalds and headed the real estate operation for that company.

BLOCKBUSTER Chairman and Chief Executive Officer H. Wayne Huizenga, said of Salvaneschi's decision to retire a second time and return to academe: "We are pleased that Luigi came out of retirement to help BLOCKBUSTER's development in our early stages. His vast knowledge and experience in market development and franchising helped set BLOCKBUSTER on its course to being the leader in the videocassette rental industry. We look forward to his continued support and counsel at BLOCKBUSTER."

CONTACT: Wally Knief of BLOCKBUSTER Entertainment Corporation, 305-524-8200.

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MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Washington Scientific Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: WSCI) today reported a net loss for its first quarter ended Nov. 18, 1990, of $30,000, or one cent per share, compared with net earnings of $1,242,000, or 52 cents per share, in the first quarter of fiscal 1990. However, first quarter results were significantly improved from a net loss of $858,000, or 36 cents per share, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990.

Net sales for the first quarter of 1991 were $14,665,000 compared with $20,389,000 in the first quarter of 1990. In last year's first quarter, the company had an overlapping of major projects with one of its major customers

which resulted in unusually high sales. The company also experienced scheduling reductions from customers in its Contract Manufacturing Division during this year's first quarter.

Gross margin was 11 percent in the first quarter, compared with 19 percent in last year's first quarter and 3 percent in the fourth quarter. Gross margin was exceptionally strong in last year's first quarter due to the overlapping of major projects mentioned above.

The company also announced that its board of directors today declared its regular quarterly cash dividend of five cents per share, payable Jan. 25, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Jan. 9, 1991.

Clifford W. Dinsmore, president and CEO said, "We are beginning to see the results of improved manufacturing efficiencies and cost reductions in our Contract Manufacturing Division. In particular, machining costs on our major new computer peripherals project are coming into line with expectations. In addition, margins at our Advanced Custom Molders subsidiary improved significantly in the first quarter.

"However, we are still being affected by lower than expected capacity utilization and costs relating to the development of new non-computer industry business. These factors will continue to hold down our profitability in the near-term."

Washington Scientific Industries is a Minnesota-based provider of high precision manufacturing services for a variety of industries. The company's Contract Manufacturing Division produces machined metal components and subassemblies in three plants located in Minnesota and California, and its Advanced Custom Molders subsidiary produces thermoplastic injection molded components in two Texas plants.

WASHINGTON SCIENTIFIC INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Earnings (unaudited)
(in thousands except per share amounts)

	12 Weeks Ended	
	Nov. 18, 1990	Nov. 19, 1989
Net sales	$14,665	$20,389
Cost of products sold	13,006	16,469
Gross margin	1,659	3,920
Selling and administrative expense	1,393	1,549
Earnings from operations	266	2,371
Interest and other income	22	62
Interest expense	(341)	(339)
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(53)	2,094
Income taxes (benefit)	(23)	852

Net earnings (loss)	(30)	1,242	Net earnings (loss)
per share	$(.01)	$.52	Weighted average number
of common shares			
outstanding	2,380,401	2,374,401	Dividends declared per
common share	$.05	$.04	

CONTACT: Jack Falker of Swenson/Falker Associates, Inc., 612-371-0000, for Washington Scientific Industries; or Bernard Kinney of Washington Scientific Industries, 612-473-1271

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#90347p3078 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CALIF. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Marrow-Tech Inc. (NASDAQ: MAROA, MAROZ) reported, as expected, a net loss $1.4 million for the third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. The cumulative net loss reported for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 was $3.9 million. "The results for the third quarter are consistent with our expectations and reflect our continuing investment in research and product development," reported Arthur J. Benvenuto, chairman, president and chief executive officer. "The recent introduction of our Skin2(TM) ("skin-squared") toxicology screening kits represents an important advancement in our company's development." In the three and nine months ended Oct. 31, 1989, the company had a net loss of $0.9 million and $2.7 million, respectively.

The net loss per share was nine cents and 10 cents for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990 and 1989, respectively, and 26 cents for both the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 and 1989. The per share amounts in the current fiscal year reflect additional shares outstanding in 1990 from the exercise of the company's Class A Warrants in late 1989.

The introduction of the Skin2 product, the company's first commercial product, was made to coincide with a scientific symposium sponsored by the Center for Alternatives to Animal Testing in late November of this year. This dermal model of the toxicology screening kit is for use in evaluating cytotoxicity and irritancy of industrial or household chemicals, pharmaceuticals, food additives, cosmetics and pesticides. In the future, the company plans to expand its Skin2 line by adding additional substrates, tissues and applications such as for evaluating efficacy, penetration, wound healing and metabolism.

As previously announced, the company received approval in October for an Investigational Device Exemption from the Food and Drug Administration to begin human clinical trials of its cultured dermal replacement product, Derma-Graft(TM). The approval is for multi-center trials of DermaGraft in patients with severe burns.

Also in October, the U.S. Patent Office issued the company a product patent on

its core technology. This product patent covers three- dimensional living stromal tissue, or stroma, cultured outside the body on a biocompatible framework. Stroma is composed of special support cells; in the body these cells secrete a variety of growth factors and structural proteins that support organ formation and growth. The company uses its three-dimensional cultured stroma to grow skin, bone marrow and liver tissue and has been investigating its use in the growth of other organ tissues.

CONTACT: Arthur J. Benvenuto, chairman, president and CEO of Marrow-Tech, 619-450-5735

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LA JOLLA, CALIF. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Marrow-Tech Inc. (NASDAQ: MAROA, MAROZ) announced today that it has received a notice of allowance for a U.S. patent on the use of its three-dimensional cell and tissue culture system for cytotoxicity testing. The patent covers the use of a variety of living tissues produced by the company's proprietary tissue replication technology for testing the toxicity, irritancy and efficacy of various compounds.

The allowance of this patent coincides with the beginning of commercial sales of Marrow-Tech's first products: Skin2(TM) ("skin squared"), toxicity screening kits. The kits, which feature living, three-dimensional human skin tissue, are being used by toxicology researchers in contract laboratories and cosmetic, petrochemical and household product companies for screening new products for cell toxicity and irritancy. Data obtained from testing with Skin2 kits has correlated with data from both animal studies (Draize ocular) and human skin patch studies.

Marrow-Tech holds two additional U.S. patents, No. 4,721,096, which covers a process that includes in vitro growth of bone marrow for transplantation, and No. 4,963,489, a product patent on its tissue replication core technology. Foreign patent applications have also been filed.

Marrow-Tech is engaged in the growth of human tissue outside the body. The company's proprietary tissue culture system has a number of potential therapeutic and laboratory applications. To date, the company has successfully grown skin, bone marrow and liver tissue.

CONTACT: Gail K. Naughton, senior V.P. and chief scientific officer of Marrow-Tech, 619-450-5731

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#90347p3083 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - New York Power Authority (NYPA) Chairman Richard M. Flynn announced Thursday that NYPA has been selected by the Long

Island Lighting Co. (LILCO) to build a 150,000-kilowatt (kw) natural gas-fueled power plant in Holtsville, Suffolk County.

The decision followed a lengthy competitive bidding process in which LILCO evaluated more than 20 proposals for supply of new electricity for its customers.

"We're delighted by this new opportunity to serve the people and businesses of Long Island," Flynn said. "We're particularly pleased that our proposal was identified as the best in this competitive process that was open to all comers.

"The New York Power Authority has been competing successfully to sell its electricity from the time it built its first plant," Flynn said. "The bidding outcome on Long Island continues that tradition."

Flynn said the new power plant is planned for completion in early 1994 and that work to obtain the necessary permits will begin immediately. Construction is scheduled to start in early 1992. Natural gas will be the main fuel for the plant, which also will be able to burn oil.

A long-term contract already negotiated by Flynn will assure a firm and economical natural gas supply for the plant. It was a key factor in the NYPA bid's competitive advantage.

"The economic benefits of our natural gas supply will be passed on to Long Island consumers," Flynn said. "Beyond that, natural gas is a clean fuel. And, as with all our projects, we'll build this one with utmost concern for the environment."

Negotiations between NYPA and LILCO on a power supply contract and other agreements concerning the new plant are expected to begin this month. The plant will be built on LILCO property adjacent to the utility's combustion turbine station in Holtsville, Town of Brookhaven. Flynn noted that use of the LILCO property, in an area zoned for industry, will help to lessen effects of construction.

A "combined-cycle" technology will be used, providing greater efficiency in power production. The fuel will be burned to power a 100,000-kw turbine-generator. Hot gases, normally lost in the combustion process, will then be used to create steam that will spin a second turbine-generator to produce 50,000 kw of additional electricity.

CONTACT: Stephen Shoenholz of the New York Power Authority, (212) 468-6313.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Shell Canada Ltd. (Montreal, Toronto

Vancouver: SHC), in conjunction with partners Canadian Hunter Exploration Ltd. and Conwest Exploration Co. Ltd., today announced a successful natural gas discovery well, Shell et al Caroline 6-36-34-6 W5M, near Caroline, Alberta.

The well, in the Upper Swan Hills formation of the Beaverhill Lake Group, tested gas at 154,000 cubic metres a day (5.5 million cubic feet a day), including 0.12 cubic metres of condensate per 1,000 cubic metres of gas (21 barrels per million cubic feet.)

The well is owned 50 percent by Shell Canada, 24.1 percent by Canadian Hunter, 22.1 percent by Conwest Exploration, and the remainder is held by internal partners of Conwest.

Additional work, including seismic and drilling, is planned in 1991 to delineate the extent of the pool.

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#90347p3096 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCHAUMBURG, IL (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorola, Inc. (NYSE: MOT) said today that it is restructuring its Communications Sector, creating two new entities -- the Land Mobile Products Sector and the Paging and Telepoint Systems Group.

The company also announced that Arthur P. Sundry, president and general manager of the Communications Sector, plans to retire, effective Dec. 27. Morton L. Topfer, senior vice president and assistant general manager of the sector, is being promoted to president and general manager of the Land Mobile Products Sector. Robert L. Growney, senior vice president and general manager of the Radio Technologies Group, is being promoted to senior vice president and general manager of the Paging and Telepoint Systems Group.

The Communications Sector, with sales of $3.3 billion in 1989, is Motorola's largest. Under the restructuring, the Land Mobile Products Sector will include private and shared two-way communications systems and products, such as those used by fire and police departments, utilities, transportation and industrial customers. It will be headquartered in Schaumburg, Ill., the present headquarters of the Communications Sector.

The Paging and Telepoint Systems Group will include products sold to operators of paging systems, along with the rapidly developing telepoint products. Second-generation cordless telephone, or CT2, technology provides low-cost personal telephones that can be used in the office or at home, or outside these areas through base stations known as telepoints. The new group will be headquartered in Boynton Beach, Fla. Each of the new organizations will report

to the office of the chief executive.

Motorola's cellular telephone businesses will continue to be part of the General Systems Sector, headquartered in Arlington Heights, Ill.

Gary L. Tooker, president and chief operating officer of Motorola, said the restructuring will "enhance our focus on the land mobile products and systems business and the advent of combined voice and data systems, and provide separate focus for paging and telepoint products."

Sundry joined Motorola in 1957 and served as general manager of the Communications Distribution Group from 1974 to 1986, when he became assistant general manager of the Communications Sector. He was promoted to general manager of the sector in 1987.

Topfer joined Motorola in 1971 and was general manager of the Land Mobile Group before becoming assistant general manager of the Communications Sector in 1987. Growney, who has served Motorola for 24 years, was named general manager of the Radio Technologies Group in 1987 and was promoted to senior vice president in 1989.

Motorola is one of the world's leading providers of electronic equipment, systems, components and services for worldwide markets. Products include two-way radios, pagers, cellular telephone systems, semiconductors, defense and aerospace electronics, automotive and industrial electronic equipment, computers data communications and information processing and handling equipment.

Motorola was a winner of the first annual Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award in 1988, in recognition of its superior company-wide management of quality processes.

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#90347p3097 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Newcor, Inc. (AMEX: NEW) Board of Directors, in light of improving outlook for the company, declared at its Dec. 13, 1990, regular meeting that a cash dividend be reinstated at $.05 per share to be paid Feb. 5, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 15, 1991.

The company paid stock dividends in 1988 and 1990 in lieu of cash dividends which were suspended in August of 1988 in order to conserve working capital required in the business.

Newcor, headquartered in Troy, designs and manufactures custom machines and manufacturing systems as well as special precision machined parts. Newcor is

listed on the American Stock Exchange.

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#90347p3103 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLYMOUTH, MINN. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - In Home Health, Inc. (NASDAQ: IHHI) today closed an agreement with Firstar Metrobank for a $2.0 million line of credit to finance working capital needs. The agreement provides a two-year revolving credit facility secured by the company's accounts receivable and other assets. It replaces a $1.5 million line with another bank which was to expire at the end of December 1990.

The credit agreement is an important element of the financing necessary for the company's continued revenue growth, the addition of infusion therapy products and expansion into new geographic markets.

In Home Health, Inc., specializes in providing high quality home health care services to people of all ages. The company currently operates 10 branch offices in five geographic markets.

In Home Health, Inc. trades on NASDAQ as: IHHI (Common stock), IHHIU (1988 units), IHHIW (Class A Warrants), IHHIL (1990 units), IHHIZ (Class B Warrants) IHHIM (Class C Warrants).

CONTACT: Kenneth J. Figge of In Home Health Care, Inc., 612-545-0102.

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#90347p3104 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FLA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The Unit Companies has acquired the Dallas Warehouse Company, Inc., a provider of warehousing services to the health care and beauty products industries. The warehousing company operates over 600,000 square feet in the Dallas, Texas, area. Unit, based in Jacksonville, Fla., acquired Dallas Warehouse Company, Inc. for an undisclosed amount.

"The addition of Dallas Warehouse further strengthens Unit's network of services to the pharmaceutical, health care and beauty aids markets supporting 'like kind' facilities in St. Louis, Atlanta and Dayton, New Jersey," remarked Warren P. Powers, chairman, chief executive officer, The Unit Companies.

"When combined with Unit's current Dallas/Ft. Worth operations, Unit Distribution of Texas, the acquisition of Dallas Warehouse will make Unit one of the largest providers of third party logistics services in the Dallas/Ft. Worth market area."

According to Powers, J.G. Johnson will remain as president, chief executive officer of Dallas Warehouse Company, under a long-term agreement. "Mr. Johnson has performed an excellent job of building a stellar organization, and we are pleased that he is joining the Unit organization," Powers stated.

In addition to warehousing services, transportation services are provided for Dallas Warehouse customers. These services include delivery to retail points and additional final users operating in a 50-mile radius of the Dallas/Ft. Worth market; a freight brokerage service which arranges for contract hauling; and an affiliation with a shippers association which consolidates products from its members and others for long haul shipment throughout the country.

The Unit Companies, a subsidiary of GATX Corp. (NYSE: GMT), Chicago, is the nation's largest provider of contract and public warehousing services. Based in Jacksonville, Fla., Unit offers its customers a full range of warehousing, distribution and related services including storage, transportation, handling, packaging inventory control, just-in- time delivery and data systems support.

GATX Corp. is a $3 billion asset-based services company which provides financial, maintenance, and management services related to rail, aircraft, bulk liquid storage terminals, warehousing, and shipping. GATX Corp. is listed on the New York, London and other stock exchanges.

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#90347p3109 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MICH (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - A new, more aerodynamic full-size car will go on sale at Ford Division dealerships next March, Robert L. Rewey, Ford vice president - Sales Operations, announced at a news conference here today.

The 1992 Crown Victoria is the first major redesign of Ford's full- size, four-door family sedan since 1979. The new, six-passenger vehicle features aerodynamic styling, a new engine and a substantially revised suspension system.

"We're beginning the 1990s with an all-new design," Rewey said. "The new cars are modern in every sense of the word. The 1992 models are more efficient and more aerodynamic, and they will offer the safety and technology features that today's new-car buyer is looking for."

Features such as a standard overhead-cam modular V-8 engine, driver and optional passenger-side air bags and anti-lock brakes will help the Crown Victoria outperform its competition in the full-size car market by a considerable margin, Rewey said.

"The primary objective of our engineers was to provide firm, confident

handling and better overall ride balance without sacrificing the ride comfort that appeals to full-size car buyers," he said.

Ride and handling features of the '92 Crown Victoria include: -- Four-wheel disc brakes, -- A redesigned independent front suspension, -- A unique "one-to-one" front stabilizer bar, as well as a new rear stabilizer bar,

-- New gas-pressurized shock absorbers, front and rear, -- Power assisted, speed-sensitive steering, and -- An anti-lock brake system that includes a computerized traction control feature that prevents drive wheels from spinning when traction is unequal from wheel to wheel.

"The new Crown Victoria will have a lot going for it," Rewey said. "Ford engineers rate it best-in-class for handling and we believe it will be the quietest car in its class as well. It also will have best- in-class interior room -- more than 132 cubic feet -- and best-in-class trunk room."

The Ford executive pointed out the 1992 Crown Victoria represents the first "salvo" in a 12-month Ford Division product blitz.

CONTACT: Carolyn Brown of Ford Division, 313-446-7736

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#90347p3112 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAWRENCE, MASS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - First Essex Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: FESX) announced today that its board of directors has voted to eliminate its quarterly dividend.

Leonard A. Wilson, president and chief executive officer, stated: "The board of directors has determined that it is appropriate to eliminate the quarterly dividend at this time in view of the continued deterioration of the region's economy."

First Essex Bancorp, Inc. is the holding company for First Essex Savings Bank and First Essex Savings Bank of New Hampshire. First Essex Bancorp subsidiaries have 10 bank offices in northeastern Massachusetts and two offices in southern New Hampshire. As of Sept. 30, 1990, First Essex Bancorp total assets are $576 million and its capital to assets ratio is 13.29 percent.

CONTACT: C. Frederick Rossbach, executive vice president and treasurer of First Essex Bancorp, 508-681-7500

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#90347p3114 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - USA TODAY announced today that a task force has been formed to explore the launch of a weekly tabloid tentatively

titled USA TODAY Baseball Weekly.

Tom Curley, president and chief operating officer of USA TODAY, said the task force will be headed by Thomas J. Farrell, executive vice president/general manager for USA TODAY. He is assisted by Gene Policinski, USA TODAY's managing editor/sports.

"Seeing the reaction to our daily newspaper, there seems to be a strong demand for more statistical information regarding the nation's pastime. In looking at USA TODAY Baseball Weekly, we'd like to become to USA Today's Sports section what Barron's is to The Wall Street Journal," Farrell said.

"This is a natural extension of USA TODAY's baseball coverage, which is already a bible for baseball fans. We feel there's a real market in the hard-core baseball fan for us to satisfy an appetite for statistics that has not been filled," Policinski said.

Farrell said the task force will make a decision on whether to proceed by year end. If a decision is made to proceed, the new publication will be launched during spring training preceding the baseball season.

USA TODAY, with nearly 6 million daily readers, is available nationwide. USA TODAY's International Edition is available worldwide.

CONTACT: Steven Anderson, manager of public relations, USA TODAY, 703-276-5872 or, after hours, 703-771-8042

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#90347p3115 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of United Buying Service International, Inc. (NASDAQ: UNBS) is announcing the results of its second annual shareholders' meeting. A total of 3,551,988 shares were represented at the meeting, and the following proposals were passed:

1. The election of the proposed directors under election of directors with votes tallied as follows: FOR 2,923,238, AGAINST 160,530, ABSTAINED 468,220.

2. The reappointment of Grant Thornton as the company's independent auditors for the current fiscal year, with votes tallied as follows: FOR 3,420,683, AGAINST 113,800, ABSTAINED 17,500.

3. The extension of the exercise period on the company's redeemable stock purchase warrants to June 30, 1993, from Jan. 12, 1992, with votes tallied as follows: FOR 3,348,788, AGAINST 196,700, ABSTAINED 6,500.

4. The extension of the terms and conditions of the Escrow Agreement (governing the ownership of 525,000 shares of common stock presently held by

the company's three principal stockholders, all of whom voted to abstain) dated June 19, 1987 (as amended on Oct. 12, 1987), through June 30, 1992, with votes tallied as follows: FOR 1,020,013, AGAINST 804,975, ABSTAINED 1,727,000.

In other matters, on Dec. 12, 1990, Wesley Poriotis advised the board of directors, that, effective immediately, he was resigning from the board of directors for personal and business reasons.

CONTACT: Arthur W. Levine or Harvey S. Selenow of United Buying Service International, 203-967-2883

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#90347p3116 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Starting today, Toyota Motor Sales (TMS), U.S.A. Inc. will include import models in its 10- day sales reports.

"In this increasingly global industry, it makes sense for automakers to adopt key local practices wherever they do business," said Bob McCurry, TMS executive vice president. "For that reason, TMS has decided to report all sales -- locally produced and imported -- on a 10-day basis."

	1st 10-Days 12/1 -- 12/10 1990	1st 10-Days 12/1 -- 12/10 1989
Imported Toyota Cars	7,379	6,237
Imported Lexus Cars	1,666	496
North American-built cars	4,628 (a)	3,140 (b)
Total Cars	13,673	9,873
Toyota Trucks	2,414	2,763
Total Vehicles	16,087	12,636

(a) 2,097 Corollas and 2,531 Camrys (b) 1,085 Corollas and 2,055 Camrys

	Month-to-Date		Year-to-Date	
	Dec. 1990	Dec. 1989	Dec. 1990	Dec. 1989
Imported Toyota Cars			430,903	461,408
Imported Lexus Cars	N/A		58,457	12,253
North-American-Built Cars			325,200 (a)	192,210 (b)
Total Cars	N/A		814,560	665,871
Toyota Trucks			170,914	207,803
Total Vehicles	N/A		985,474	873,674

(a) 127,215 Corollas and 197,985 Camrys

(b) 74,199 Corollas and 118,011 Camrys

CONTACT: Mindy Geller or Christi Abe of Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc.,

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#90347p3118 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
BIRMINGHAM, ALA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - A strategic alliance between American Combustion Inc. (ACI) and Air Products and Chemicals Inc. is an important step in ACI's growth and development, according to Rex J. Lysinger, chairman and chief executive officer of Energen Corp. (NYSE: EGN).

Through its American Heat Tech subsidiary, Energen owns a 35 percent interest in ACI, an Atlanta-based combustion technology company.

Earlier this week, ACI and Air Products, a leading international supplier of industrial gasses, entered a strategic alliance which will provide the metals industry with a single source for oxygen-based combustion technology, including technical expertise, equipment and oxygen.

Under the joint marketing agreement, Air Products will have exclusive rights to market ACI's patented, oxygen-based Pyretron combustion system for melting and heating applications in the United States and Canada.

"This strategic alliance is an important step in ACI's development and should provide ACI with a solid business base from which to grow," Lysinger said. "We believe the combination of Air Product's and ACI's technology, reputation and experience will prove to be a success."

ACI's Pyretron combustion system is currently installed in melting and heating applications in the steel, copper, lead, brass, glass and aluminum industries, where the system improves productivity while reducing operating costs. Pyretron technology also has been applied to the incineration of hazardous waste and other applications.

Air Products offers the metals industry a wide variety of products, processes and technical services for more than 20 applications.

Energen Corp. is a diversified energy holding company engaged primarily in natural gas distribution and oil and gas exploration and production.

CO: American Combustion, Inc.; Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.; Energen Corporation ST: Alabama, Georgia

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#90347p3123 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Johnson Products Co., Inc. (AMEX: JPC) announced that its stockholders, at their annual meeting, yesterday approved amendments to the company's certificate of incorporation which effect a

one-for-10 reverse stock split of the company's issued and outstanding common stock, to be followed immediately by a three-for-one forward stock split of the company's then-issued and outstanding common stock.

The stock splits which were announced in May 1990 will become effective at the close of business today. In lieu of issuing fractional shares resulting from the reverse stock split, the company will pay stockholders cash at the rate of $2.75 per pre-split share. The company's common stock will continue to be listed for trading on the American Stock Exchange under the trading symbol "JPC."

The company's stockholders also re-elected Joan B. Johnson, Eric G. Johnson and James H. Lowry as directors of the company, while electing Thomas P. Polke and William R. Giles as directors. Polke and Giles had been appointed during the year to fill vacancies on the board of directors.

The company manufactures and markets hair care and cosmetic products, domestically and internationally, under such leading brand names as Gentle-Treatment, Ultra Sheen, Classy Curl, Sta-Sof-Fro and Sof N' Free.

CONTACT: Thomas P. Polke, vice president-finance of Johnson Products, 312-483-4100

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SAN JOSE, CALIF. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Keegan Management Company (NASDAQ: KMCI) announced toady that its Board of Directors has agreed in principle to accept an offer from Worth Corp. (NASDAQ: WRTH), its majority stockholder, to be acquired through a merger with Worth Corp. The proposed transaction is scheduled for completion in the second quarter of 1991, following normal regulatory approvals and the satisfaction of certain conditions, including stockholder approval, and the receipt of a fairness opinion from an independent investment banking firm.

Minority stockholders of Keegan Management Company would receive $1.00 in cash plus four-tenths of a share of Worth Corp. common stock in exchange for each share of Keegan Management Company common stock held by them on the effective date of the merger.

The Board of Directors has retained the right to accept more favorable offers for the entire company from third parites at any time prior to the effective date of the merger which is anticipated to occur in the second quarter of 1991.

The consideration to be received by the minority stockholders of the company in the merger is expected to be a taxable event to the extent of the cash recieved and may or may not be a taxable event with respect to the value of the Worth Corp. common stock received depending upon the fair market value of

the Worth Corp. common stock on the effective date of the merger.

Keegan Management Company intends to continue with its previously announced common stock buyback program, subject to compliance with all applicable Securities and Exchange Commission rules. There is approximately $750,000 remaining under this authorized program. The company is also considering the sale of its remaining Nutri/System Weight Loss Centers.

Keegan Management Company currently owns and operates 44 Nutri/System Centers in seven states.

CONTACT: Robert G. Sharpe of Keegan Management, 408-436-7467

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#90347p3129 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Holly Corp. (AMEX: HOC) today reported results for the company's first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Holly's net income for the company's first fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, was $2.8 million, as compared to $5.2 million for the first quarter of the prior year. Net income per share for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was 34 cents, compared to 63 cents in the prior year period.

Net income in the current quarter as compared to the corresponding quarter of the prior year was adversely affected by lower margins as a result of increased crude oil prices that were only partially offset by increases in product prices. Also affecting the results in the current period were increased costs resulting from a planned shutdown for major maintenance (turnaround). The volatility in crude oil costs as a result of the Middle East crisis and the inability to recover those costs in the market have somewhat abated since the end of the first quarter of the current fiscal year, and accordingly refining margins have been improving.

The increase in revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 as compared to the first quarter of fiscal 1990 is attributable to higher prices of refined products sold, in large part due to sharp increases in crude oil costs. Volumes sold during the current period decreased approximately 10 percent, principally due to the planned shutdown at Navajo Refining Co.'s refinery in Artesia, N.M.

CONTACT: E.I. Parsons of Holly Corp., 214-979-0210; or Lee Sneath of Dalton, Sneath & Co., 214-979-0090, for Holly Corp.

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#90347p3131 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW HYDE PARK, N.Y. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - G.L. Hodson & Son, Inc. (GLH)

announced today that Demarest S. ("Nick") Newman has joined GLH as an executive vice president and assistant national production manager. The announcement was made jointly by Ronald J. Taylor, chairman and national production manager, and Stephen A. Crane, president and chief executive officer.

Newman has spent most of his career in the reinsurance brokerage business. Previous to joining GLH, he was a senior officer of another major reinsurance intermediary.

In making the announcement, Crane stated, "in this newly created position, Nick Newman will be assisting Ron Taylor and our regional offices in the development of production strategies. Nick's background and experience will provide us with additional depth in this critical area."

G.L. Hodson & Son, one of the 10 largest reinsurance intermediaries in the United States, was founded in 1924 and was acquired by Corroon & Black Corporation (NYSE: CBL) in 1970. GLH is headquartered in New Hyde Park and has branch offices in Atlanta, Boston, Burlington, N.C., Los Angeles, Minneapolis, and San Francisco. GLH is primarily a treaty broker but provides facultative reinsurance services through several of its offices.

CONTACT: Stephen A. Crane, president and CEO of G.L. Hodson & Son, 516-365-9000, or Maripat Sexton of Hill & Knowlton, 212-697-5600, for Corroon & Black

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#90347p3132 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Biodecision Inc., a Pittsburgh-based company which provides clinical and analytical services to pharmaceutical companies seeking U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval to market prescription drugs, announced today that it has completed a private equity financing.

Biodecision President Robert Lecher stated, "This, together with a strong banking relationship, provides sufficient working capital as we move forward to full operation."

Biodecision is resuming full operation after a three-week reinspection by the FDA which was complete4d in early September 1990. The FDA is once again accepting for review drug product applications supported by new clinical studies and analytical work conducted by Biodecision. Lecher noted that "a comprehensive review of Biodecision's procedures has affirmed our longstanding commitment to the highest standards of quality."

In late October, the company began calling furloughed employees back and also filling some new positions created by new procedures. New projects have been

started in both the clinic and the analytical laboratory.

Lecher said, "Our successful negotiation of this financing is another visible sign to our clients and employees that we are on the road to complete recovery."

Biodecision is a privately held contract research organization (CRO) which provides the pharmaceutical industry with services encompassing the clinical, analytical and statistical aspects of drug testing in humans.

CONTACT: Robert W. Lecher, president, Biodecision, 412-363-3300, or 412-487-0644; or Jackie Holz or Lora Poe of Hill and Knowlton, 412-391-5480, or 412-488-0928, for Biodecision

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#90347p3140 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

HYANNIS, MA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - James H. Rice, president and chairman of the board of directors of the Cape Cod Bank and Trust Company (NASDAQ: CCBT), said today that he expects the bank to report a loss for the fourth quarter and for the year as a whole. Rice said the loss will be the result of a $12 million year-end reserve which is being set aside to cover anticipated loan losses during the year ahead. Rice stated that by taking this action, the bank will be able to set aside its loan problems and return to profitable operations in 1991.

The bank previously reported net income of $1,434,462, or 63 cents per share, for the first nine months of the year. The year-end reserve action is expected to produce a fourth quarter loss in the vicinity of $8.8 million, or $3.86 per share, and a loss for the full year of $7.4 million, or $3.23 a share. Rice added that after these steps are taken, the bank's capital position will remain well above regulatory requirements.

On the basis of projected earnings of $3.5 million in 1991, the banks's board of directors voted to pay a quarterly dividend of 25 cents a share on Jan. 18 to stockholders of record on Jan. 4. This is a reduction from the previous quarterly rate of 38 cents a share.

CONTACT: Morton D. Furber, Jr., of Cape Cod Bank and Trust Company, 508-394-1300

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#90347p3149 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of the directors of Fletcher Challenge Canada Ltd. (Toronto: FCC) held today, a cash dividend of ten cents (10 cents) per share on the common shares of Fletcher Challenge Canada Ltd. was declared payable February 1, 1991, to shareholders

of record as of January 7, 1991.

CONTACT: Stu Clugston of Fletcher Challenge Canada Ltd., 604-654-4463.

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BALTIMORE (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - MNC Financial Inc. (NYSE: MNC) today announced it has entered into a definitive agreement with General Electric Capital Corp. (GE Capital), a subsidiary of General Electric Co. (NYSE: GE), under which GE Capital would purchase substantially all of the assets of the Leasing Division of MNC Credit Corp.

Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions in the agreement, MNC said it anticipated closing the transaction prior to year end 1990.

Michael A. Neal, general manager of GE Capital Commercial Equipment Financing, stated that the purchase complements the business strategy of growing in carefully selected market niches where GE Capital has excellent industry knowledge and considerable in-house capabilities. "The acquisition of MNC's highly regarded leasing operation furthers GE Capital's position as the largest middle market equipment financing business in North America and helps position the business to provide an even broader range of services for our customers."

GE Capital, headquartered in Stamford, Conn., is one of the nation's largest diversified financial services companies with assets in excess of $63.6 billion.

MNC also announced it had entered into a definitive agreement to sell its four industrial banks in Colorado to Blazer Financial Corp., a subsidiary of Great Western Financial Corp. (NYSE: GWF). Blazer Financial Corp.'s purchase is subject to regulatory approval. MNC expects to close the transaction in the first quarter of 1991.

These transactions will permit MNC Financial to reduce its indebtedness by approximately $300 million.

CONTACT: Daniel G. Finney, sr. vp corporate communications of MNC Financial, 301-547-4038, or Lisa VanOrden, manager of public relations of GE Capital, 203-357-4346

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#90347p3151 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOISE, IDAHO, (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Boise Cascade Corp. (NYSE: BCC) announced today that Sen. James A. McClure has been elected a member of the company's board of directors. He will join the board effective Jan. 4, 1991.

McClure, 65, is Idaho's senior U.S. Senator. He chose not to run for re-election and is retiring from the U.S. Senate. McClure will join the Boise Idaho, law firm of Givens, Pursley, Webb & Huntley. He will also become a partner in a Washington, D.C., consulting firm.

McClure was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1972, after serving six years in the U.S. House of Representatives. He is the ranking Republican member of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee and serves as a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee and the Senate Rules Committee.

McClure is vice-chairman of the board of trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and is a member of the board of governors of the Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts.

McClure is an Idaho native and a graduate of the University of Idaho law school.

Boise Cascade Corp. is an integrated forest products company headquartered in Boise, Idaho, with operations located primarily in the United States and Canada. The company manufactures and distributes paper and paper products, office products, and building products and owns and manages timberland to support these operations.

CONTACT: Robert B. Hayes of Boise Cascade Corp., 208-384-7675, or after hours, 208-345-9863

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#90347p3163 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - In a presentation to the Bank & Financial Analysts Association in New York this afternoon, management of Society Corporation (NASDAQ: SOCI) commented on the status of the examination of its subsidiary national banks by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC). Robert W. Gillespie, chairman and CEO of Society, explained that holding company management had met with the OCC Examiner-in-Charge of Society Corporation's national bank subsidiaries (primarily Society National Bank, Cleveland, the corporation's lead bank, and Society Bank, N.A., Dayton). During the meeting the examiner's preliminary report was discussed. After review by OCC regional headquarters in Chicago, the findings will be presented to the banks' boards of directors after the first of the year.

Gillespie said, "The examination has produced no surprises and management will be taking no specific actions regarding charge-offs or additions to the allowance for loan losses or nonperforming loan categories as a result. Obviously we were pleased to have our evaluation of the loan portfolio confirmed. However, we all know the economy has been deteriorating for several months. Our asset quality monitoring process has resulted in several

credits, principally loans in the commercial real estate portfolio, being downgraded under our internal grading system. This suggests to us that it will be prudent to continue our program of adding to our loss reserve in an orderly, planned fashion."

Commenting on the outlook for 1991, Gillespie indicated that the slowing Midwest economy will lead to lower levels of loan growth in addition to the credit-quality concerns. Gillespie said, "In the current environment, there is no question that our ability to control costs will be a major determinant of our ability to attain a 10th consecutive year of earnings per share improvement in 1991."

In his part of the presentation, James W. Wert, CFO of Society, reported on programs designed to reduce annual noninterest expenses by at least $40 million by the end of 1992. Wert noted that current plans call for realizing approximately $20 million of such savings in 1991. Wert said, "Our program is off to an excellent start. I am confident we will succeed in reaching our goal of at least $40 million as new phases take effect."

Contact: John Fuller of Society Corporation, 216-689-8140

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#90347p3164 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TRENTON, MICH. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - McLouth Steel announced late today (Thursday, Dec. 13) that Edward L. Sambuchi had resigned as president and CEO, effective Jan. 2, 1991. Robert D. McBride, former president of National Steel and a McLouth board member, has been named as McLouth's new president and CEO.

Sambuchi came to McLouth in July 1988 after serving as president of Lafayette Steel and vice president-general manager of the Great Lakes facilities of National Steel.

McLouth's board of directors issued a statement expressing appreciation for Sambuchi's contributions to McLouth during his period of leadership.

In his letter of resignation, Sambuchi stated, "I would like to express my appreciation for having had the opportunity to work within the framework of the very challenging and rewarding ESOP and Cooperative Partnership environment which exists here at McLouth Steel. I wish the organization every success and will continue to support McLouth in any way possible." Sambuchi was out of town late Thursday and unavailable for further comment.

McBride said he plans to continue McLouth's policy of Cooperative Partnership between management and labor as the means to build a strong and profitable company.

"I look forward to working with McLouth's management team, workers and unions to improve quality and productivity for the benefit of customers, suppliers and employees," McBride said.

McLouth's Employee Owners have increased output through their continuous casters from 3,500 tons a day to as much as 4,200 tons a day since the employees acquired ownership from Cyrus Tang in 1988.

CONTACT: J.B. Dixson or Sandra Braden of Dixson Communications, 313-259-9770 for McLouth Steel

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#90347p3166 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Conclusive evidence that antibodies to the V3 loop of one AIDS virus strain are capable of neutralizing a variety of strains is presented in the Dec. 14, 1990, issue of Science magazine by researchers from Repligen Corporation (NASDAQ: RGEN) and Duke University. This demonstration of "cross neutralization" in immunized animals provides additional important evidence that a single V3 loop peptide may elicit antibodies which neutralize widely divergent viral strains.

In the study, scientists evaluated antibodies elicited by the principal neutralizing determinant (PND), or V3 loop, which is located on the virus envelope. They discovered that antibodies to the V3 loop of a single HIV strain neutralized the virus and prevented fusion of uninfected CD4 cells by infected cells in both the "parent" strain and several unrelated strains. Through characterization studies, it was further determined that the cross-neutralizing antibodies bound to a unique six-amino acid sequence found in the PND of all the strains that were neutralized.

Consequently, antibodies that neutralize one strain containing the six-amino acid sequence may be effective against an entire "family" of viruses in which all strains contain this commonly occuring sequence. In fact, this sequence was found in 60 percent of 245 HIV strains tested by Repligen, Merck & Co., Inc., Duke and other collaborators as demonstrated by a study published in the Aug. 24, 1990, issue of Science. Using "cocktails" of V3 peptides representative of this major virus group and other dominant virus families, it may be possible to devise a vaccine candidate which would induce immunity to a broad range of HIV strains.

According to Walter C. Herlihy, Jr., Ph.D., Repligen's senior vice president of research and development, "This demonstration of cross- neutralization provides additional evidence that it may be feasible to develop a broadly effective vaccine against AIDS."

Repligen develops and manufactures biochemical products for the healthcare market, primarily in the areas of retrovirology and cancer. The company's

headquarters and its research and production facilities are in Cambridge, Mass.

CONTACT: Walter C. Herlihy, Jr., senior vice president, research and development of Repligen, 617-225-6000

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#90347p3168 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Sony Corporation (NYSE: SNE) announced today that Michael P. Schulhof will become chairman, Sony Music Entertainment, Inc. (previously CBS Records, Inc.), effective Jan. 1, 1991.

"We have been pleased with the performance of CBS Records and are confident that its management will continue to build on an impressive growth record, providing consumers with outstanding entertainment," said Norio Ohga, president and chief executive officer of Sony Corporation and, since its acquisition of CBS Records in 1988 and until now, chairman of CBS Records.

"The continued growth of both CBS Records and Sony's worldwide business has created additional demands on my time. It has become increasingly difficult for me to dedicate sufficient time to Sony Music Entertainment's operations.

"Sony Music Entertainment is a U.S.-based company directed by U.S. management " Ohga added. "We are delighted that Mr. Schulhof has accepted this opportunity and are certain that Sony Music Entertainment will benefit from his leadership." Sony also announced that Masaaki Morita will assume the title of executive vice chairman and chief operating officer of Sony USA. Schulhof will remain vice chairman of Sony USA.

CBS Records' strong management continues with Tommy Mottola as president of Sony Music (USA), Robert Summer president of Sony Music International, and Neil Keating chairman of Columbia House, Sony Music's direct marketing arm.

"The Sony Music family has benefited greatly from Norio Ohga's guidance," said Schulhof. "For the past three years, I have been fortunate to work closely with the CBS Records' management team, including Tommy Mottola, Bob Summer and Neil Keating, on many issues affecting the company. Our management has done an excellent job and I share their vision and philosophy. I am confident that our management team, staff and extraordinary roster of musical talent will uphold the company's proud tradition and continue to develop our business worldwide. The company's potential for growth is outstanding."

Sony Music Entertainment has more than 13,000 employees worldwide. The company the largest marketer of pre-recorded music in the world, represents the world's greatest broad-based artist roster on Columbia, Epic, WTG, Sony Classical and Associated labels.

CONTACT: Robert Zito or Koh Shimizu of SONY, 212-418-9479

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#90347p3172 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Daniel H. Levy has been appointed to the newly created position of president Apparel & Home for Montgomery Ward & Co. effective immediately, according to Bernard F. Brennan, chairman and chief executive officer. Levy, 47, was fomerly president Apparel Group, the position he held since February 1989. Before joining Montgomery Ward in 1987, Levy was chairman and CEO of Gimbels Pittsburgh.

Gary Vasques has been named senior vice president and general merchandise manager Home Ideas, also effective immediately. In this position, he replaces Fred Daniel, formerly vice president Home Ideas, who has announced his retirement effective Dec. 31, 1990. Vasques was formerly group senior vice president of Burdine's in Miami.

Vasques, 43, joins Montgomery Ward from Burdine's in Miami, where he was group senior vice president since 1989. In that position, Gary has responsibility of all home furnishings, including housewares, electronics, tabletop, textiles and furniture, and all ladies' ready-to- wear, including sportswear, coats, suits, dresses and juniorwear.

He joined Burdine's in 1972, and subsequently held positions of assistant buyer and group manager. From 1975 to 1979 he was buyer of domestics, blankets and bedspreads, then divisional merchandise manager Home Textiles form 1979 to 1983.

In 1983 he was named vice president, general merchandise manager, Decorative Home, an area which included china, glass, giftware, textiles, bathshop, linens, domestics, pillows, comforters and decorative home textiles, including ready-made draperies, pillows and bedding. In 1984, he became senior vice president, general merchandise manager, Domestics, Home Textiles and Decorative Home Accessories. The following year, he was named senior vice president, general merchandise manager for all of the Home Store.

Prior to his career with Burdine's, Gary spent two years with Gertz Department Stores in Long Island, N.Y.

CONTACT: Charles H. Thorne of Montgomery Ward, 312-467-7573

-30- 2225

#90347p3173 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE -- Potash Corp. of Saskatchewan Inc. (PCS) wishes to announce that it is not aware of any reason for the recent increase in the market price of its shares.

CONTACT: Betty-Ann Heggie, VP, corporate relations, of Potash Corp.
306-933-8521

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#90347p3175 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, ORE. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Oregon Steel Mills Inc. (NYSE: OS) was notified today that an order for approximately 500 miles of 30-inch gas transmission line pipe, booked through its wholly owned subsidiary Napa Pipe Corp. has been cancelled. The order was from the Wyoming-California Pipeline Co. (WyCal), a subsidiary of the Coastal Corp. (NYSE: CGP) The pipe was to be used for the construction of WyCal's proposed 670 mile natural gas pipeline system from Wyoming to California.

Tom Boklund, president of Oregon Steel, noted: "Although the cancellation of this order is unfortunate, with our current backlog of line pipe orders and anticipated future orders we expect the company to produce approximately 400,000 tons of line pipe in 1991. This compares to approximately 200,000 tons anticipated in 1990 and 93,000 actual tons in 1989."

Oregon Steel is a producer of steel plate and large-diameter steel pipe with facilities in Portland, Ore., and Fontana and Napa, Calif.

CONTACT: Ray Adams of Oregon Steel Mills Inc., 503-240-5230

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#90347p3176 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Kmart Corporation (NYSE: KM) today announced that a definitive merger agreement has been executed providing for the acquisition of Price Savers Wholesale, Inc., an operator of 17 membership warehouse clubs in the western part of the United States, by PACE Membership Warehouse, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Kmart Corporation, for an undisclosed amount of cash.

Kmart Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Joseph E. Antonini said, "The acquisition of Price Savers will enable our PACE Membership Warehouse business to extend significantly its market in the western part of the United States. Price Savers' sales for 1990 are expected to be in excess of $850 million. The 17 Price Savers locations do not conflict with our existing PACE locations. And, since PACE and Price Savers run similar warehouse club programs, we anticipate a smooth conversion of Price Saver locations into PACE units."

Price Savers, headquartered in Salt Lake City, operates 17 large- scale membership warehouses in five western states, with six locations in California four each in Arizona and Utah, two in Washington and one in Alaska.

PACE Membership Warehouse, Inc., headquartered in Denver, operates 61 membership warehouses in the states of California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Rhode Island.

Kmart Corporation serves America with more than 4,000 retail outlets in all 50 states in the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada. Kmart, currently operating 2,363 Kmart stores, is also the parent company for Pay Less Drug Stores, Builders Square, Waldenbooks, PACE Membership Warehouse and The Sports Authority.

CONTACT: Orren F. Knauer of Kmart Corporation, 313-643-1040

-30- 2034

#90347p3178 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FLA. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Barnett Banks, Inc. (NYSE: BBI), in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission this week, has updated information in regard to its shelf registration for $200 million of debt securities.

Since Nov. 9, Barnett has been conducting an offering on a continuous basis of its medium-term notes. As of today, Barnett had sold $88 million of these senior debt securities with maturities ranging from one year to five years.

In its filing this week, Barnett made the following statement under the heading "Recent Developments:"

"As a result of continuing deterioration in the commercial real estate markets in Florida and Georgia and a general slowdown in the economy, the corporation's level of non-performing assets is expected to continue to rise at least through the end of the fourth quarter of 1990. In addition, the levels of charge-offs and provisions for loan losses in the fourth quarter are expected to be comparable to those recorded in the third quarter of 1990. The extent or duration of any further deterioration in the commercial real estate markets cannot be predicted. However, continuation of these trends would likely result in further increases in non-performing assets and continued high levels of provisions for loan losses." With $31 billion in assets and 590 offices in Florida and Georgia, Barnett is the leading financial institution in Florida and the 20th-largest in the country. The company's stock (BBI) is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Bob Stickler, 904-791-5437 (office), 904-396-9284 (home); or Russ Hoadley, 904-791-5013 (office), 904-260-4658 (home), both of Barnett Banks, Inc.

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#90347p3179 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - American Medical Holdings Inc. (AMEX: AMI) and its wholly owned subsidiary, American Medical International Inc. announced today that the term of its Funding Notes has been extended from Dec. 12, 1990, to Feb. 26, 1991. The Funding Notes were originally issued as part of the financing for the acquisition of American Medical International Inc. by American Medical Holdings Inc. That acquisition occurred on Oct. 26, 1989. The aggregate principal amount of these notes is currently $584,524,000.

AMI, the founder of the investor-owned hospital industry, operates acute care hospitals in the United States.

CONTACT: Don Galletly of American Medical Holdings Inc., 214-360-6321

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#90347p3183 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Celutel Inc. (AMEX: CLU) announced today that at its annual meeting of shareholders held today, Frank S. Scarpa, Forrest Metz, Louis Magazzu, Douglas Dittrick, J. Walter Corcoran and William A. Gebhardt were elected directors to serve until the next annual meeting of shareholders and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Scarpa also announced at the meeting that the corporation had received on the evening of Dec. 12 an unsolicited proposal which, based on a condensed summary of the proposal provided to Celutel, involved providing Celutel with a line of credit to be used for working capital and the acquisition and operation of additional cellular markets adjacent to Celutel's current holdings. As described in the condensed summary, Celutel would issue common stock purchase warrants in consideration for making available the line of credit. The person submitting the proposal instructed Celutel that Celutel was to discontinue reading the proposal if Celutel is currently under obligations which prohibit Celutel from such discussions. Celutel has determined that such discussions would breach the terms of its agreement with Continental Illinois Venture Corp. entered into on Nov. 29, 1990. Accordingly, Celutel is prohibited by the terms of the proposal from reading its full terms other than the condensed summary provided and is unaware at this time of the complete terms of the proposal.

Celutel advised the person submitting the proposal that it appears on the basis of the condensed summary of the proposal that the transaction as described would not meet Celutel's immediate needs for additional capital to repay outstanding indebtedness, among other needs. Celutel further advised the person submitting the proposal that if a proposal is presented in a manner whereby, under the terms of its Continental agreement, it can consider the proposal, the board will fulfill its fiduciary obligations to the shareholders and consider such a proposal.

Celutel is engaged in the development and operation of cellular telephone systems, servicing market areas in the Rio Grande River Valley area of south Texas and in the state of Mississippi.

CONTACT: Valerie Hart of Celutel, 215-922-7370

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#90347p3198 12/13/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN. (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines today announced it will enhance its WorldPerks frequent flier program by offering free tickets for flying as few as three roundtrips. Northwest's promotion parallels offers by other airlines but is the only one to include free travel to Europe and Hawaii.

Under the promotion, WorldPerks members can qualify to earn extra free tickets by traveling between Dec. 25 and March 25. Three roundtrips or eight flight segments -- whichever members earn first -- award travelers one free roundtrip domestic ticket to the 48 contiguous United States, Canada, Mexico or the Caribbean. Five roundtrips or 14 flight segments earn members two free domestic tickets or one free ticket to Europe. Seven roundtrip tickets or 20 segments are worth three free domestic tickets or one free ticket to Hawaii.

Domestic tickets can be used from May 1 to Dec. 15, 1991, with the exception of blackout dates Nov. 22 to 30. Tickets to Hawaii and Europe are valid Sept. 11 to Dec. 11, 1991. Free tickets are transferable to companions traveling on the same itinerary.

Free travel can be earned only by WorldPerks members traveling on fares of at least $75 each way. Other restrictions apply.

Northwest is the nation's fourth-largest airline, serving 135 cities in North America, Asia and Europe.

CONTACT: Northwest Airlines Public Affairs, 612-726-2331

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MOSCOW (DEC. 13) TASS - PRESIDENTIAL STAFF HEAD VALERI BOLDIN RECEIVED PRESIDENT OF THE ITALIAN FATA EUROPEAN GROUP CONCERN GAETANO DI ROSA TODAY TO DISCUSS THE DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE CONCERN AND THE SOVIET UNION.

THE ITALIAN CONCERN HAS BEEN COOPERATING WITH SOVIET ORGANISATIONS IN THE AGRO-INDUSTRIAL SPHERE FOR OVER 30 YEARS. IT HAS ALSO PROMOTED CULTURAL RELATIONS WITH THE USSR.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 13) TASS - TIPPED OFF BY OLD LOCAL RESIDENTS, THE TURKMENIAN KGB HAS UNCOVERED A MASS GRAVE CONTAINING THE REMAINS OF VICTIMS OF STALIN REPRESSIONS IN THE 1930S AND 1940S, IZVESTIA REPORTED TODAY, QUOTING TURKMENIAN KGB CHIEF P. ARKHIPOV.

THE GRAVE IS NEAR THE VILLAGE OF DILEVAR OUTSIDE THE CITY OF TASHAUZ.

THE TASHAUZ PUBLIC PROSECUTOR ORDERED AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE DEATHS, DATED WITH THE HELP OF FORENSIC EXPERTS.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 13) TASS - YURI AFANASIEV, LEADER OF THE RADICAL INTER-REGIONAL GROUP OF DEPUTIES, CALLED FOR RESOLUTE OPPOSITION TO PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV'S POLICY AT THE MOVEMENT'S MEETING TODAY.

THE GROUP WAS SET UP AFTER THE FIRST USSR CONGRESS OF PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES, ACTING AS PARLIAMENTARY OPPOSITION. LAST YEAR IT NUMBERED 440 MEMBERS.

TODAY'S MEETING REVEALED DEEP DIVISION IN ITS RANKS, AS ONLY 80 PEOPLE SHOWED UP TODAY FOR THE TWO-DAY EVENT.

THEY SPENT THEIR FIRST HOUR, BICKERING OVER WHETHER TO HOLD A MEETING AT ALL AFTER SUCH A LOW TURN-OUT.

THE MEETING AIMS TO PREPARE THE GROUP'S POSITION FOR THE USSR CONGRESS OF PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES OPENING ON MONDAY.

DELEGATES ADMITTED THAT THE INTER-REGIONAL GROUP IS IN CRISIS AND DISCUSSED WAYS TO REVIVE THE MOVEMENT, SHOWERING EACH OTHER WITH ACCUSATIONS.

DEPUTY ESTONIAN PARLIAMENT PRESIDENT MARIU LAURISTIN TOLD THE MEETING THAT BALTIC DEPUTIES HAVE NOT YET DECIDED WHETHER TO TAKE PART IN THE CONGRESS.

ESTONIA AND LATVIA WILL DECIDE TODAY, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE OUTCOME OF THE INTER-REGIONAL GROUP'S MEETING, SHE SAID.

BALTIC DEPUTIES WILL NOT TAKE PART IN DISCUSSING THE DRAFT UNION TREATY AT THE CONGRESS, SHE SAID.

THE INTER-REGIONAL GROUP WILL DECIDE FRIDAY ON ITS POLICY AT THE CONGRESS.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 13) TASS - THE SOVIET UNION HAS NO PLANS TO PARTICIPATE IN A MILITARY SETTLEMENT OF THE GULF CRISIS, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN VITALI CHURKIN WRITES IN AN ARTICLE PUBLISHED BY THE SOVETSKAYA ROSSIA NEWSPAPER TODAY.

THE SPOKESMAN ARGUES WITH SEVERAL ANALYSTS AND THE NEWSPAPER'S READERS WHO OPPOSE THE DISPATCH OF SOVIET TROOPS TO THAT REGION IN THEIR ARTICLES AND LETTERS.

THE SOVIET UNION PROCEEDS FROM THE PREMISE THAT KUWAIT'S ANNEXATION IS AN "UNPROVOKED ACT OF AGGRESSION" AGAINST A SOVEREIGN COUNTRY, CHURKIN SAYS. THIS PROMPTED THE UNITED STATES AND ANOTHER 26 COUNTRIES TO SEND THEIR TROOPS TO THE GULF.

SEVERAL COUNTRIES HAVE REQUESTED SOVIET MILITARY PRESENCE IN THE GULF, THE SPOKESMAN NOTES.

"HOWEVER, WE EXPLAINED THAT WOUNDS INFLICTED BY THE AFGHAN WAR ARE SO DEEP THAT THE SOVIET PUBLIC AND PARLIAMENT WOULD NOT APPROVE SUCH PARTICIPATION, AND THEY UNDERSTOOD," CHURKIN SAYS.

IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, "THE SOVIET UNION UNEQUIVOCALLY PARTICIPATED IN THE POLITICAL REBUFF TO THE AGGRESSOR".

ACCORDING TO CHURKIN, THE ESSENCE OF U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 678 IS "TO GIVE PEACE A CHANCE". IN THE OPINION OF THE SOVIET UNION, A "GOODWILL PAUSE" PROVIDED FOR IN THE RESOLUTION SHOULD BE USED FOR INTENSE POLITICAL CONTACTS TO FIND A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE CRISIS.

"SOVIET UNION, THE UNITED STATES AND ALL OTHER MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WOULD PREFER A PEACEFUL OUTCOME," THE SPOKESMAN STRESSES. "BUT NOT TO RESERVE ANOTHER OPTION WOULD MEAN TO BE ENGAGED IN USELESS PERSUASIONS OF THE AGGRESSOR WHO IS FAR FROM SENTIMENTAL."

REPLYING TO READERS, WHO PRAISED IRAQ'S LINK-UP OF A SOLUTION OF THE GULF CRISIS WITH THE PALESTINIAN PROBLEM, THE SPOKESMAN EXPRESSED OPINION THAT SUCH A STANCE WOULD DIVERT THE ATTENTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY FROM THE PALESTINIAN PROBLEM AT A TIME "WHEN ENCOURAGING SIGNS APPEARED ON THE DIPLOMATIC HORIZON".

"THE SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY HAS ALWAYS PAID MUCH ATTENTION TO A SETTLEMENT OF THE ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CONFLICT," CHURKIN STRESSED.

"REJECTING A LINK-UP WITH THE GULF CRISIS, WE BELIEVE AT THE SAME TIME THAT WORLD NATIONS SHOULD NOT SLACKEN EFFORTS ON THIS BURNING MIDDLE EASTERN PROBLEM."

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VIENNA (DEC. 13) TASS - THE 88TH SESSION OF THE OPEC CONFERENCE HAS ENDED HERE TODAY. IT WAS ATTENDED BY THE OIL AND POWER ENGINEERING MINISTERS FROM 13 COUNTRIES OF ASIA, AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICA.

OPEC HEADQUARTERS' PRESS RELEASE NOTED THAT DURING THE GENERAL DISCUSSION AND BILATERAL TALKS, PARTICIPANTS REVIEWED THE WORLD OIL MARKET SITUATION IN GREAT DETAIL. THEY AGREED THAT AS LONG AS THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS AND THE SEARCH FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT CONTINUED, OIL-EXPORTING COUNTRIES SHOULD BE FREE OF THE EARLIER ESTABLISHED OIL PRODUCTION QUOTA. HOWEVER, THIS PROVISION IS SUBJECT TO IMMEDIATE REVISION AS SOON AS THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS IS SETTLED.

OPEC MEMBER COUNTRIES EXPECT TO MEET AGAIN IN MARCH NEXT YEAR TO REVIEW THE SITUATION.

PARTICIPANTS WELCOMED WITH SATISFACTION THE NEWLY-BEGUN DIALOGUE WITH A GROUP OF INDEPENDENT OIL-EXPORTERS AIMING AT MEASURES TO STABILISE THE OIL MARKET. IT WAS THOUGHT ADVISABLE TO CONTINUE WORK IN THIS DIRECTION.

THE CONFERENCE RESOLUTION WILL BE PUBLISHED AFTER IT IS RATIFIED BY THE GOVERNMENTS OF OPEC MEMBER COUNTRIES.

THE NEXT CONFERENCE SESSION IS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 4, 1991 IN VIENNA.

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KISHINEV (DEC. 13) TASS - POPULAR FRONT SUPPORTERS MADE ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO DERAIL THE DEBATE ON A NEW UNION TREATY IN THE MOLDAVIAN PARLIAMENT TODAY.

THE ISSUE WAS INCLUDED ON THE SESSION'S AGENDA ON WEDNESDAY AND THE MAJORITY OF PARLIAMENTARIANS DECIDED TO GO ON WITH THE DISCUSSION.

ON WEDNESDAY A LARGE GROUP OF DEPUTIES REJECTED IN A WRITTEN STATEMENT THE DECISION OF THE PARLIAMENT'S PRESIDIUM TO DODGE THE DISCUSSION OF THE DRAFT UNION TREATY. AFTER SEVERAL HOURS OF HECTIC DEBATE, THE PARLIAMENT DECIDED TO DISCUSS THE ISSUE.

TODAY DEPUTIES BICKERED OVER WHETHER TO SIGN THE NEW TREATY OR SECEDE FROM THE UNION.

SIX SOVIET REPUBLICS HAVE TOLD MOLDAVIA THEY WILL NOT SIGN BILATERAL AGREEMENTS WITH ITS MINISTRY OF MATERIAL RESOURCES UNLESS MOLDAVIA SIGNS THE NEW UNION TREATY.

UZBEKISTAN, KAZAKHSTAN, TADZHIKISTAN, KIRGHIZIA, TURKMENIA AND BYELORUSSIA

REFUSED TO COOPERATE UNTIL MOLDAVIA COMPLIES, LITERATURA SHI ARDA NEWSPAPER REPORTED TODAY.

A LARGE GROUP OF DEPUTIES FROM THE MOSTLY RUSSIAN-SPEAKING DNIESTER AREA ATTENDED THE SESSION AFTER A LONG BREAK.

MEANWHILE, TEN OF THE 13 GAGAUZ DEPUTIES (CHRISTIAN TURKS FROM SOUTHERN MOLDAVIA) ARE STILL STRIPPED OF THEIR MANDATES FOLLOWING AN ATTEMPT TO SET UP AN INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC IN SOUTHERN MOLDAVIA.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - The last of the American hostages apparently are out of Iraq and Kuwait. A jet that left Baghdad Today carried 30 Americans. One of the last men out was the U-S ambassador to Kuwait... Nathaniel Howell. The U-S says the embassy remains officially open, but temporarily UNstaffed.

A report tonight says an Amtrak train was apparently going 70 or 75 miles an hour in a 30 zone when it skidded into a commuter train in Boston. The collision yesterday hurt more than 260 people.

Up to 10 inches of new snow blankets the mountains of New Mexico, Colorado and Arizona. The ski areas of New Mexico received the most. The snow is from a wintry storm that has been in the Rockies for two days.

Officials in Taiwan report at least two deaths in two strong earthquakes that struck 17 hours apart. The number hurt in Taiwan has NOT been determined. A quake in Italy today injured more than 200 people but NO deaths are reported.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration reports a more persistent problem with the Earth's protective ozone layer. A hole in the ozone that usually closes by the end of November lasted into December this year.

NASA released two dazzling new photos of the moon and one of the Earth today. The Galileo space probe snapped the pictures during its trip to Jupiter. One scientist says the Galileo probe has been a fantastic lunar mission already.

Officials in Washington say another experimental AIDS vaccine will soon undergo testing in the United States. The vaccine will be used on AIDS patients in California. In tests in Britain, the vaccine appears safe.

The board of Occidental Petroleum says it has reaffirmed Ray Irani as Armand Hammer's successor. Hammer died Monday. Reaffirmation of Irani as chairman may be designed to blunt takeover speculation.

A judge has ordered the city of Beverly Hills to tear down a 28-foot Hanukkah menorah that stands in a park. Otherwise, the judge says, Beverly Hills must

erect a huge Christmas tree beside the menorah.

President Bush turned on the lights of the national tree tonight in Washington. About 15-thousand people crowded the Ellipse as Bush flipped a switch on the 35-foot Colorado blue spruce.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 13) UPI - Acting Chicago Board of Trade Chairman William F. O'Connor was elected to a full two-year term Wednesday.

O'Connor narrowly beat a challenge from independent trader Patrick Arbor, 557 1/6 votes to 503 1/6 votes, CBOT officials announced.

The board had named O'Connor acting chairman in August after Karsten Mahlmann stepped down.

O'Connor's term will begin Jan. 21.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

New Jersey at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Denver at Utah, 9:30 p.m.
Orlando at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Seattle at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Portland at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

GOLF

The Champions Senior Classic at Hyatt Dorado Beach, Puerto Rico.
Worldwide Championship of Pro-Am Golf, Kauai, Hawaii

HOCKEY

Hartford at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Quebec at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
NY Islanders at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
New Jersey at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Winnipeg at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.
Minnesota at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Calgary at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Munich, Germany - Grand Slam Cup

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REYNOLDSVILLE, Ill. (DEC. 13) UPI - Bob Hartung is getting married in the place where he spends most of his time in the winter: a goose pit. And his fiancee is not honked off about it, either.

Hartung, an avid hunter, and bride-to-be Mary Krotz plan to tie the knot Saturday afternoon at a southwestern Illinois farm known for goose hunting. The couple, a minister and the owner of the farm will stand in a 5-by-12-foot goose pit with the guests gathered around outside the big hole.

The bride, groom and guests plan to dress in camouflage clothing and two friends who are champion goose callers plan to play the ''Wedding March'' on goose calls. Rain or shine, the bride and groom will pass through an ''aisle'' made up of goose decoys.

''It certainly is a different and unusual way for someone to get married,'' said Illinois Conservation Director Mark Frech, a friend who hunts with the groom. ''But for someone like Bob Hartung, it's obviously an ideal place to get married.''

Hartung, 34, a boilermaker who lives in Carlyle in Southern Illinois, spends about 60 days of the 70-day goose hunting season living in a trailer at the Lyerla Lake Farms in Reynoldsville, where the wedding will be held. Hartung and Frech both hold goose hunting leases at the farm near the Missouri border.

Hartung has hunted all his life and taught Krotz, 31, how to shoot geese two years ago. They have dated for three years and he said they have never had a fight. The wedding plans were even amiable.

''It started out more or less as a joke,'' Hartung said Wednesday. ''Her and me and my dad were all hunting together. We were talking about getting married. The old man said, 'Let's get married in this goose pit. '''

Getting a minister was also not a problem.

''I found one. He says he's married them in hills, caves, so he'll marry someone in a goose pit,'' Hartung said.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

California - Signed pitcher Floyd Bannister to a 1-year contract.

Pittsburgh - Named John Sirignano minor- league and scouting assistant.

St. Louis - Named Dave Bialas manager at St. Petersburg of the Florida State League (A).

San Diego - Traded catcher Mark Parent to Texas for third baseman Scott Coolbaugh.

Seattle - Named Jim Skaalen coordinator of minor-league instruction; named Dan Warthen minor-league pitching instructor and Roger Hansen minor-league catching instructor.

BASKETBALL

Cedar Rapids (CBA) - Signed center Ben Gillery; placed forward Tony Martin in injured reserve.

COLLEGE

Appalachian State - Named Roachel Laney athletic director.

Maryland - Indefinitely suspended guard Carla Holmes from women's basketball team.

Northeastern - Named Barry Gallup football coach.

Trans America Athletic Conference - Announced resignation of sports information director Steve Argo.

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Signed quarterback Gilbert Renfroe, cornerback Rickey Royal and linebacker William Kirksey to the practice squad; placed defensive back William Evers and linebacker Donnie Salum on injured reserve; waived quarterback Todd Hammel.

LA Raiders - Added offensive tackle Tim Rotter to practice squad.

Miami - Signed wide receiver Dennis McKinnon; placed wide receiver Scott Schwedes on injured reserve; shifted linebacker Barry Krauss and Mike McGruder from injured reserve to practice squad.

New England - Announced resignation of defensive coordinator Charlie Sumner.

Philadelphia - Claimed offensive tackle Louis Cheek on waivers from Dallas; released wide receiver Anthony Edwards.

San Diego - Signed wide receiver Kitrick Taylor; placed nose tackle Tony Savage on injured reserve.

Washington - Released safety Rico Labbe from practice squad; signed guard Tim Moxley and assigned him to practice squad.

HOCKEY

Toronto - Reached agreement on 2-year contract with defenseman Alexander Godynuik.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	18	11	5	41	130	103
Philadelphia	18	14	2	38	119	112
New Jersey	16	12	4	36	124	107
Washington	18	15	0	36	112	100
Pittsburgh	12	16	3	27	120	121
NY Islanders	10	16	2	22	78	108

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	17	10	4	38	103	98
Montreal	16	14	3	35	105	103
Hartford	13	14	4	30	89	99
Buffalo	10	13	7	27	92	99
Quebec	7	19	6	20	90	137

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	21	10	2	44	111	80
St. Louis	17	9	4	38	102	83
Detroit	14	12	4	32	116	116
Minnesota	9	17	6	24	92	106
Toronto	8	24	1	17	88	139

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	18	10	4	40	134	103
Los Angeles	16	8	5	37	121	95
Vancouver	13	15	3	29	99	108
Edmonton	12	15	2	26	91	88
Winnipeg	9	17	7	25	108	119

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(DEC. 13) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Boston	3	2	0-5
Hartford	0	1	0-1

First period-1, Boston, Neely 13 (Janney), :25. 2, Boston, Janney 9 (Wesley, Bourque), pp, 15:54. 3, Boston, Bourque 5 (B.Sweeney), 16:44.

Penalties-Burt, Har, 15:05.

Second period-4, Boston, Neely 14 (Janney, Nilan), 3:23. 5, Hartford, Kastelic 1 (Burt), 5:54. 6, Boston, B.Sweeney 5 (penalty shot), 9:31.

Penalties-B.Sweeney, Bos, 10:12; Wiemer, Bos, 16:54.

Third period-No scoring.

Penalties-Nilan, Bos, 4:09; B.Sweeney, Bos, major (fighting), 20:00; Tomlak, Har, major (fighting), 20:00.

Shots on goal-Boston 11-5-5-21. Hartford 7- 8-9-24.

Power-play conversions-Boston 1-1. Hartford 3-0.

Goaltenders-Boston, Moog. Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. A-14,518.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

Montreal	1	0	0-1
Toronto	0	2	2-4

First period-1, Montreal, Keane 8 (Svoboda, Lebeau), 5:37.

Penalties-Iafrate, Tor, 1:40; Chorske, Mtl, 2:12; Iafrate, Tor, 11:00; Schneider, Mtl, 16:44; Corson, Mtl, major (fighting), 19:29; Richardson, Tor, major (fighting), 19:29.

Second period-2, Toronto, Petit 5 (Millar, Gill), 2:10. 3, Toronto, Damphousse 11 (Iafrate, Petit), pp, 10:23.

Penalties-Skrudland, Mtl, 8:28; Odelein, Mtl, misconduct, 19:24; Maguire, Tor, misconduct, 19:24; Clark, Tor, double minor, 19:24.

Third period-4, Toronto, Marois 10 (Fenton, Damphousse), 16:24. 5, Toronto, Fenton 7 (unassisted), 17:15.

Penalties-Odelein, Mtl, major (fighting)-misconduct, 10:20; Maguire, Tor, major (fighting)-misconduct, 10:20; Chorske, Mtl, minor-major (fighting), 17:53; Gill, Tor, major (fighting), 17:53.

Shots on goal-Montreal 12-8-9-29. Toronto 8-11-9-28.

Power-play conversions-Montreal 3-0. Toronto 4-1.

Goaltenders-Montreal, Roy, Bergeron (17:12 2nd period). Toronto, Ing. A-16,382.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

Vancouver	1	1	2-4
Edmonton	3	2	0-5

First period-1, Edmonton, Huddy 5 (Messier, Murphy), pp, 2:05. 2, Vancouver, Capuano 10 (Guy, Linden), 2:48. 3, Edmonton, MacTavish 3 (S.Smith), sh, 12:54. 4, Edmonton, Murphy 12 (Joseph, Gelinas), 15:06.

Penalties-Gibson, Van, :17; Nordmark, Van, 5:46; Graves, Edm, 11:19; Nordmark, Van. 18:51; Joseph, Edm, 19:49.

Second period-5, Vancouver, Larionov 5 (Adams, Lidster), sh, 3:40. 6, Edmonton Graves 1 (Huddy, Murphy), pp, 7:03. 7, Edmonton, Gelinas 7 (Graves, Murphy), 19:47.

Penalties-Guy, Van, 2:21; Gibson, Van, 5:07; Gelinas, Edm, 9:33; Beukeboom, Edm, 13:08; Joseph, Edm, 16:07; Smyl, Van, double minor, 16:07; Smyl, Van, misconduct, 16:07.

Third period-8, Vancouver, Odjick 2 (Bozek), 3:47. 9, Vancouver, Lidster 3 (Bradley, Valk), pp, 18:32.

Penalties-Adams, Van, 4:40; Joseph, Edm, 7:07; Lidster, Van, 7:10; Brown, Edm, 9:40; S. Smith, Edm, 17:07; Butcher, Van, misconduct, 20:00; S.Smith, Edm, misconduct, 20:00.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 5-10-15-30. Edmonton 14-7-6-27.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 7-1. Edmonton 8-2.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Ranford. Vancouver, Gamble, McLean (:00 2nd period).
A-15,457.

Referee-Rob Shick.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	17	4	.810	-
Philadelphia	14	7	.666	3
New Jersey	8	11	.421	8
New York	8	11	.421	8
Washington	6	14	.300	10 1/2
Miami	5	14	.263	11

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	15	7	.682	-
Detroit	14	7	.667	1/2
Chicago	12	8	.600	2
Cleveland	10	11	.476	4 1/2
Charlotte	8	12	.400	5 1/2
Atlanta	8	11	.421	5 1/2
Indiana	8	14	.364	7

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	12	5	.706	-
Utah	13	7	.650	1/2
Houston	12	9	.571	2
Dallas	7	11	.389	5 1/2
Minnesota	7	12	.368	6
Denver	5	15	.250	8 1/2
Orlando	5	16	.238	9

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	19	1	.950	-
LA Lakers	11	7	.611	7
Phoenix	11	7	.611	7

Golden State	12	8	.600	7
LA Clippers	10	10	.500	9
Seattle	6	12	.333	12
Sacramento	3	15	.167	15

-30- 1311

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(DEC. 13) UPI - Home ice has been no advantage recently for the Hartford Whalers.

Hartford again gave up an early deficit Wednesday night at the Hartford Civic Center and couldn't recover, dropping a 5-1 decision to the Boston Bruins.

The Bruins jumped out to a 3-0 lead after the first period, including Cam Neely's goal just 25 seconds into the game, and cruised from there in pushing their Adams Division lead to three points over the Montreal Canadiens.

''It was frustrating and really no contest,'' Hartford goaltender Peter Sidorkiewicz said. ''We can't keep giving up three goals in the first period and expect to win.''

Neely wound up scoring two goals for the Bruins, while Craig Janney added a goal and two assists. The other Boston goals were scored by Bob Sweeney, on a penalty shot, and Ray Bourque.

''It was a lot of fun,'' Sweeney said about the penalty shot. ''It doesn't happen too often and I just got into a positive frame of mind and hoped for the best.''

Ed Kastelic scored for the lone goal for the Whalers, who were unable to solve Andy Moog. The goaltender stopped 23 shots and improved his career mark against Hartford to 12-6-2.

Boston Coach Mike Milbury was pleased with his team's effort and hopes the Bruins can link several more aggressive efforts in the coming weeks.

''It was a good team effort and we're hoping to build from this,'' Milbury said. ''I'd like to see us put together about 10 games like the way we played tonight.''

The game was the first in a home-and-home series between the Bruins and Whalers. The rematch was scheduled for 24 hours later at the Boston Garden.

''All we can hope for is that we play better and a little more physical on Thursday,'' Kastelic said. ''We buried ourselves in the first period again and we'll be out to prove ourselves tommorrow rather than laboring and thinking about this one.''

In other NHL action Wednesday night, Toronto mauled Montreal 4-1 and Edmonton outlasted Vancouver 5-4.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Maple Leafs 4, Canadiens 1

At Toronto, Michel Petit scored a goal and added an assist to help the Maple Leafs snap Montreal's three-game winning streak. It was only the eighth win in 33 games for Maple Leafs, in last place in the Norris Division.

Oilers 5, Canucks 4

At Edmonton, Alberta, Joe Murphy scored a goal and added three assists to lead the Oilers. Murphy, acquired from Detroit last year as part of the Jimmy Carson trade, produced his biggest scoring night of the season in helping Edmonton out of last place in the Smythe Division.

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CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. (DEC. 13) UPI - The first Marine to refuse to go to the Mideast for Operation Desert Shield was cashiered Wednesday under an agreement in which he dropped legal action against the Corps for refusing his request to be classified as a conscientious objector.

Lance Cpl. Jeffrey A. Paterson, 22, of Hollister, Calif., was given an ''other than honorable'' discharge, his back pay and an airline ticket home after admitting to two infractions and accepting a reduction in rank.

Brig. Gen. R.L. Phillips said in a statement that the discharge was ''in the best interests of the United States government.''

Paterson's attorney, Eric Seitz, said the other-than-honorable discharge was tantamount to being fired, and ''we are comfortable with that.''

''He did not want to be in the military any more than they wanted him to be in the military,'' said Seitz.

On Aug. 29, 12 days after Paterson applied for conscientious objector status on the grounds that engaging in combat would violate his beliefs, he refused a direct order to board a transport plane bound for Saudi Arabia, sitting down on the floor of the hangar while his fellow Marines shipped out.

Paterson wrote an opinion piece published in the Los Angeles Times in which he said he was willing to fight for ''the people of this land ... but my weapons are ideas, commitment and a sense of justice - not bullets, chemical rockets

or nuclear warheads. And my battles are against injustice, inequality and the placing of the Earth's wealth in the hands of the very few.''

Paterson said he objected to the U.S. military presence in the Persian Gulf, saying it was being carried out to satisfy ''imperialistic economic interests.''

In order to be granted the status of conscientious objector, a member of the Armed Forces must prove that the beliefs being violated are the primary controlling force in his or her life, and ''of the same strength and depth as found in traditional religious conviction.''

The Marine Corps has received 33 applications this year, eight since the beginning of Operation Desert Shield in August after Iraq invaded Kuwait. Nineteen have been approved, 13 denied and one is still pending, said a spokesman for the Corps.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - The U-N Security Council will resume its debate Monday on a proposed Middle East peace conference. The 15-nation council voted 9-4 to delay any action after the world's two superpowers consulted in Washington. The proposal calling for a peace conference has been under discussion since October.

The Baltic republics are using the Soviet food crisis to show their independence. Estonia has turned down a share of international aid and Lithuania is talking about donating to the relief effort. The Baltic states are generally more prosperous than other Soviet republics and are most self-sufficient for food.

A consumer group says 10 states produced more than half of the nation's 1988 carbon dioxide- the chief gas behind the so-called ''greenhouse effect.'' The NON-profit organization Citizen Action says utilities are the biggest contributors in releasing the gas that scientists link to global warming.

President Bush says he accepted the resignation of Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos with ''deep regret.'' Cavazos did NOT give a reason for his resignation, which takes effect Saturday after he gives an commencement address to West Virginia University. Critics say Cavazos failed to help Bush make good on his pledge to be the ''education president.''

John Gotti was indicted Wednesday in New York on charges of ordering the rubout of Gambino crime family chief Paul Castellano and three other people. The arraignment hearing was postponed until Monday, with Gotti and two other co-defendents ordered held in jail until then. One man charged in the case was allowed free on a 500-thousand-dollar bond.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - The Pentagon official in charge of military procurement has quit in what appeared to be the latest fallout from disclosures of delays and cost overruns in development of the Navy's $50 billion A-12 Avenger bomber.

John Betti, undersecretary of defense for acquisition, submitted his letter of resignation Wednesday to Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, saying only that he intends to ''return to the private sector.'' Cheney accepted the letter with the ''deepest regret'' and thanked Betti for his ''dedicated and successful efforts.''

A Pentagon report released last month linked Betti to the A-12 mess, which not only embarrassed Cheney and the Navy but prompted the Justice Department to launch a criminal investigation of whether money went to contractors General Dynamics Corp. and McDonnell Douglas Corp. for incomplete work.

According to the Nov. 28 internal report, the Avenger project was 18 months behind schedule and as much as $1 billion over budget.

The disclosures resulted in the forced retirement or censure of three senior officers who Navy Secretary Lawrence Garrett said had trouble telling Pentagon officials bad news about their aircraft projects.

Betti was Cheney's chief aide on questions relating to cost and schedules of major weapons programs.

The report said the under secretary knew of A-12 delays and cost overruns, but failed to place enough emphasis on them in meetings with Cheney. The report said Betti did not consider the cost overrun figures definitive because they were not in line with other estimates.

Cheney later said the plane was on time and within its budget.

In testimony before the House Armed Services Committee on Monday, Garrett said that until last June, the contractors and Navy officials provided ''no indications'' of the estimated cost overruns.

''It was a human error judgment. ... There was raw data that was received from the contractors ... that properly outlined and properly reported ... that we had a serious problem,'' Garrett said.

''The problem is we have developed over many years a system that is almost adversarial, and at the same time it creates advocacy. It is very hard to push bad news up to the top,'' he told the committee.

In the wake of the Avenger report, Vice Adm. Richard Gentz, head of the Naval Air Systems Command, was ordered to retire. Rear. Adm. John Calvert, the A-12 program executive, and Capt. Lawrence Elberfeld, the program manager, were censured and will be reassigned.

News of Betti's resignation prompted a scathing reaction from one member of Congress, who suggested that Cheney ''put his acquisition house in order'' by implementing corrective measures.

''When abuses take place in procurement, heads should roll,'' said Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., chairman of the House Government Operations Committee, which oversees federal procurement activities. ''One head is not enough. What happened under ... Betti doesn't address the underlying flaws in special access procurement like the A-12.''

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(DEC. 13) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

L.A. CLIPPERS (100)

Manning 7-8 0-0 14, Norman 13-24 4-7 30, Smith 7-14 2-4 16, Kimble 3-6 0-0 6, Grant 4-11 0-0 8, Vaught 1-7 0-0 2, Garland 2-3 4-4 8, Martin 7-13 2-2 16, Bannister 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 44-86 12-17 100.

CLEVELAND (90)

Nance 8-13 3-6 19, Brown 3-6 2-4 8, Daugherty 6-12 9-9 21, Paddio 0-5 0-0 0, Valentine 3-11 5-6 11, Ehlo 9-14 0-1 19, Kerr 1-5 0-0 3, Ferry 2-6 2-2 6, Morton 0-1 0-0 0, Chievous 1-4 1-2 3. Totals 33-77 22-30 90.

L.A. Clippers	19	29	30	22--100
Cleveland	22	31	13	24-- 90

Three-point goals-Ehlo, Kerr. Fouled out-Smith. Total fouls-L.A. Clippers 24, Cleveland 17. Rebounds-L.A. Clippers 40 (Norman 11), Cleveland 40 (Daugherty 13). Assists-L.A. Clippers 31 (Grant 9), Cleveland 19 (Valentine 8). Technicals- None. A-11,909.

HOUSTON (106)

Johnson 8-13 1-2 17, Thorpe 4-7 2-5 10, Olajuwon 12-26 5-8 29, Maxwell 5-14 1-2 13, K.Smith 3-5 5-5 11, L.Smith 3-4 0-2 6, Floyd 3-5 0-2 6, Feitl 1-4 2-2 2, Wood 1-2 0-0 2, Winchester 4-7 0-0 8. Totals 44-87 18-25 108.

PHILADELPHIA (116)

Barkley 11-17 7-11 29, Mahorn 3-8 0-0 6, Gminski 5-11 3-4 14, Green 3-12 0-0 6
Hawkins 5-13 8-8 19, Anderson 7-14 2-2 16, Bol 0-1 0-0 0, Turner 2-5 0-0 4,
Oliver 3-3 0-0 6. Totals 39-86 20-27 100.

Houston	33	33	23	19--108
Philadelphia	22	26	25	27--100

Three-point goals-Maxwell 2, Gminski, Hawkins. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Houston 23, Philadelphia 18. Rebounds-Houston 49 (Olajuwon 15), Philadelphia 38 (Barkley 9). Assists-Houston 29 (K.Smith 11), Philadelphia 22 (Hawkins 5). Technicals-Houston Coach Chaney, Thorpe; Philadelphia (illegal defense). A-13,159.

ATLANTA (118)

Wilkins 10-17 5-6 28, Willis 7-10 8-8 22, Koncak 4-7 0-0 8, Rivers 6-12 5-6 18
Webb 5-12 2-2 12, Battle 7-12 4-4 19, Malone 1-4 1-1 3, Moncrief 0-2 0-0 0,
McCormick 2-4 0-0 4, Robinson 2-3 0-0 4, Ferrell 0-0 0-0 0, Wilson 0-0 0-0 0.
Totals 44-83 25-27 118.

MIAMI (93)

Long 5-7 3-4 13, Thompson 2-2 1-2 5, Seikaly 6-13 2-4 14, Douglas 8-16 0-2 16,
Rice 8-16 0-0 16, Burton 4-11 4-4 12, Davis 1-3 1-2 3, Kessler 2-5 0-0 4,
Coles 4-9 0-0 9, Sundvold 0-0 0-0 0, Askins 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 40-83 12-20 93.

Atlanta	33	24	27	34--118
Miami	25	27	21	20-- 93

Three-point goals-Wilkins 3, Rivers, Battle, Coles. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Atlanta 19, Miami 25. Rebounds-Atlanta 39 (Wilkins 14), Miami 37 (Seikaly 8). Assists-Atlanta 27 (Webb 11), Miami 26 (Douglas 13). Technicals-Douglas. A-15,008.

MILWAUKEE (111)

Roberts 6-9 0-0 12, Brickowski 6-13 5-7 17, Sikma 3-5 0-0 9, Robertson 5-13
4-4 14, Humphries 3-7 0-0 6, Pierce 2-8 2-2 6, Schayes 3-5 3-3 9, Lohaus 4-8
0-0 9, Grayer 5-9 0-0 10, Anderson 4-9 4-7 12, Henson 0-1 0-0 0, Kornet 3-4
0-0 7. Totals 44-91 18-23 111.

BOSTON (129)

Bird 11-15 4-4 30, Gamble 8-12 2-2 18, Parish 8-11 3-4 19, Shaw 1-4 0-0 2,
Lewis 7-10 4-4 18, McHale 4-8 1-2 9, Brown 4-5 0-0 8, Kleine 3-6 0-0 6, Smith
3-5 0-0 6, Popson 0-1 3-4 3, Vrankovic 2-2 0-0 4, Pinckney 3-4 0-0 6. Totals
54-83 17-20 129.

Milwaukee	24	24	24	39--111
Boston	34	32	40	23--129

Three-point goals-Bird 4, Sikma 3, Lohaus, Kornet. Fouled out-none. Total fouls- Milwaukee 18, Boston 17. Rebounds-Milwaukee 40 (Brickowski 7), Boston 35 (Bird, Parish 8). Assists-Milwaukee 23 (Robertson 8), Boston 33 (Bird, Shaw 9). Technicals-none. A-14,890.

SAN ANTONIO (92)

Elliott 4-11 3-4 11, Cummings 9-20 0-0 19, Robinson 12-22 0-0 24, Strickland 4-10 1-2 9, Anderson 7-14 4-6 18, Williams 2-8 0-0 4, Greenwood 2-5 0-2 4, Myers 0-0 1-2 1, Schintzius 0-1 0-0 2, Massenburg 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 41-93 9-16 92.

CHARLOTTE (81)

Newman 6-12 3-4 15, Gilliam 7-15 2-2 16, Reid 3-10 4-6 10, Bogues 0-2 0-0 0, Chapman 7-15 0-0 14, Gattison 3-7 0-0 6, Tripucka 1-5 0-0 2, Curry 4-7 2-2 10, Gill 3-11 0-0 6, Keys 0-2 0-0 0, Scheffler 0-1 0-0 0, Hoppen 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 35- 88 11-14 81.

San Antonio	28	18	23	23-92
Charlotte	20	24	19	18-81

Three-point goals-Cummings. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-San Antonio 20, Charlotte 23. Rebounds-San Antonio 53 (Robinson 17), Charlotte 41 (Reid 13). Assists-San Antonio 20 (Strickland 9), Charlotte 23 (Bogues 9) Technical foul-Greenwood. A-23,901.

INDIANA (90)

Person 3-8 2-3 8, Thompson 2-8 1-1 5, Smits 7-7 4-4 18, Fleming 4-10 9-10 17, Miller 6-14 11-12 26, Schrempf 2-7 5-6 9, Sanders 1-3 0-0 2, McCloud 1-6 0-0 3 M. Williams 0-2 0-0 0, K. Williams 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 27-67 32-36 90.

SEATTLE (99)

Kemp 7-15, 4-6 18, McKey 7-10 4-4 18, Cage 1-4 0-0 2, Payton 2-7 1-2 5, Threatt 3-7 4-6 10, Polynice 6-9 0-0 12, E. Johnson 6-13 2-2 14, Ellis 4-8 0-0 8, Dailey 4-4 1-2 9, McMillan 0-1 3-4 3. Totals 40-78 19-26 99.

Indiana	27	19	17	27--90
Seattle	25	21	21	32--99

Three-point goals-Miller 3, McCloud. Fouled out-Kemp. Total Fouls-Indiana 23, Seattle 27. Rebounds-Indiana 32 (Thompson, Sanders 8), Seattle 37 (Kemp 11).

Assists-Indiana 17 (Fleming 8), Seattle 23 (McMillan 9). Technical fouls-Seattle, illegal defense. A-10,729.

DALLAS (112)

McCray 8-13 0-0 16, White 1-8 0-0 2, Donaldson 5-12 8-11 18, Blackman 9-20 4-4 22, Harper 10-15 1-3 22, English 8-15 2-2 18, Williams 1-1 2-2 4, Davis 5-9 0-0 10. Totals 47-93 17-22 112.

LA LAKERS (97)

Perkins 3-15 0-0 6, Worthy 10-19 7-8 28, Divac 3-7 1-2 7, Johnson 6-16 4-4 18, Scott 8-16 0-0 17, Green 0-1 0-0 0, Teagle 4-15 1-1 9, Drew 2-2 2-2 6, Thompson 3-3 0-0 6. Totals 39-94 15-17 97.

Dallas	22	24	23	20	23--112
LA Lakers	24	19	21	25	8-- 97

Three-point goals-Johnson 2, Harper, Worthy, Scott. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Dallas 19, LA Lakers 24. Rebounds-Dallas 42 (Donaldson 15), LA Lakers 49 (Perkins 12). Assists-Dallas 23 (Harper 12), LA Lakers 26 (Johnson 12). Technicals-Worthy. A-16,086.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - President Bush wants to follow up on what he describes as a growing ''special relationship'' between the United States and the Soviet Union. Saying the Kremlin is facing ''tough times,'' Bush announced an assistance package to help ease Moscow's food shortage. The president gave word of the development with Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze and Secretary of State Baker at his side.

OPEC is looking ahead. The president of the cartel opened a year-end meeting in Vienna Wednesday by saying each member will be expected to return to past production quotas once the Persian Gulf crisis is resolved. OPEC President Sadek Boussena blamed consumer nations for the dramatic increase in petroleum prices, saying those counties are pushing OPEC's output to extreme levels.

U-S officials say contributions to offset the cost of Operation Desert Shield have fallen short of what was promised. The officials single out wealthy Japan and Germany for having paid only one-fifth of what they promised. But the officials did praise Kuwait's exiled royal family for paying its two-and-a-half BILLION dollar contribution to the effort on time.

A Massachusetts man who took his first train trip now says he'll ''never ride a train again.'' Will Weyell rode overnight on Amtrak... with the passenger train derailing and hitting a commuter train Wednesday morning in Boston. As

Weyell described it- ''everthing went flying- people, seats, luggage.'' NO one was killed in the collision, but 264 people were injured, some seriously.

Scrooge finally got his day in court Wednesday in San Francisco. But arguments that the miserly humbugging character from ''A Christmas Carol'' has been misunderstood for 142 years fell on deaf ears. Actor E. Wyman Spalding presented Scrooge's case to the San Francisco Court of Historical Review, which regularly debates such issues as whether Santa Claus exists. But the panel ruled the name Scrooge will forever be associated with the words ''skinflint, miser and cheapskate.'' There was no word of an appeal.

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SEOUL, South Korea (DEC. 13) UPI - The third round of talks between the prime ministers of South and North Korea ended Thursday with no agreement on how to end two country's 45-year division.

South Korean Prime Minister Kang Young-hoon and his North Korean counterpart, Yon Hyong-muk, however agreed to get together again Feb. 25 in the North Korean capital of Pyongyang to continue their talks in pursuit of eventual national reunification.

Kang and Yon met for two hours behind closed doors but failed to narrow differences over what to do first to push their goal. Kang insisted on a ''basic agreement'' for improved relations, and Yon a ''declaration of nonaggression, reconciliation and cooperation.''

Following the meeting, South Korean spokesman Lim Dong-won said there should first be a basic framework governing mutual relations and other detailed measures such as a nonaggression deal can be worked out later based on that framework.

''There exists a wide chasm of distrust between the South and the North,'' Lim said. ''We propose to make sure that there is a fail-safe framework first, and then based on that framework move on to agree on and implement a nonaggression arrangement.''

He said a nonaggression deal is meaningless unless backed by deed. He said even while the prime ministers talks continue the North is pushing a campaign to slander and overthrow the South.

Lim said in 1972 the two Koreas issued a joint communique renouncing hostility against each other and pledging efforts for peaceful reunification but North Korea violated the agreement on many occasions.

He cited four North Korean underground invasion tunnels across the South-North border, the 1984 bomb attack by North Korean Army commandos in Rangoon, Burma,

which killed 17 South Korean officials, and the 1987 bombing of a jetliner by a North Korean agent over Southeast Asia which killed 115 people.

Lim also said the South proposed that slandering against each other be stopped effective the new year, hotlines be installed between the prime ministers and military authorities of the two sides, direct trade be open and joint development of tourist resources be pushed. The North did not respond, he said.

North Korean spokesman An Byong-su said ''the two sides ran parallel to each other'' at the meeting and no agreement could be reached despite his delegation's ''forward-looking'' proposal.

''We said what the South had in its proposal may be added to what we offered and if there were things that the South thought should be dropped from our proposal they could be dropped,'' An said. ''The South did not react. They simply avoided discussing nonaggression.''

An said The South was becoming more ''argument-oriented'' as there were more meetings. ''Their attitude today was one of total defense, to keep our proposal from being adopted. We can not tell what their basic direction is.''

The North Korean delegation will return home Friday.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - Notre Dame's worst start in 20 years has coach Digger Phelps searching for a way out of their seven-game losing streak.

The Irish, 2-7, were whipped 105-95 at home by Southern California Wednesday night as Harold Miner's 35 points led the Trojans to their fifth win in six games.

The losing streak matches the second-longest in team history and the longest by a Phelps team. The only longer losing streak a Notre Dame team has suffered was a 13-game skid in 1966.

''We've got to come back and figure out how we can play with this team and the style of game we can play,'' Phelps said. ''If that means we have to play in the 60s, then we have to play in the 60s.

''It's obvious we can't run for 40 minutes when other teams want to run with us,'' said Phelps. ''We just have to play a lot smarter than we are now in regard to the tempo of the game.''

The Trojans, 5-1, built a 46-29 halftime lead and the Irish never came closer than 10 points in the second half.

Miner scored 19 points in the second half, countering every Irish attempt at a rally and pleasing USC Coach George Raveling with his patience.

''He doesn't have to work so hard on offense,'' Raveling said. ''He can let off and let his teammates do the work. The thing with Harold is that he has started to understand patience, flow and shot selection.''

Miner was more than patient enough for Phelps.

''He's just a great scorer. He's going to be one of the greatest scorers the game has seen because he's unselfish and he's smooth the way he scores,'' Phelps said. ''He has a great release, a quick release. Whenever we tried to make a run, Miner came through with the points they needed at crunch time.''

Robert Pack, who scored 24 points, sank 9 of 11 free throws in the final minutes to keep the Trojans on top.

LaPhonso Ellis led the Irish with 28 points while Elmer Bennett added 27.

-- AROUND THE NCAA --

In other college games Wednesday night, No. 3 Syracuse outlasted Canisius 92-83, No. 5 Georgtown routed St. Leo's 75-45, No. 9 Ohio State pounded Wright State 90-60, No. 16 Connecticut romped by New Hampshire 85-32, No. 19 South Carolina handled Furman 93-52, and Louisville upset No. 24 DePaul 94-75.

Billy Owens scored 34 points to lead the Orangemen, who hit just 23 of 42 free throws. Dave Johnson and LeRon Ellis added 16 points apiece for Syracuse. Nixon Dyall scored 21 points and had a game-high 13 rebounds for Canisius.

At Landover, Md., 7-foot-2 Dikembe Mutombo totaled 22 points, 14 rebounds and six blocked shots to lead Georgetown. Mutombo's play made up for the loss of standout center Alonzo Mourning, who is nursing a minor foot injury.

At Storrs, Conn., the Huskies bolted to a 32-0 lead and went on a 21- 0 run in the second half. John Gwynn scored 10 of his 21 points in the game opening run.

At Columbus, Ohio, the Buckeyes failed to reach the century mark for the first time this season but had little trouble defeating Wright State. Jim Jackson led Ohio State with 20 points.

At Louisville, LaBradford Smith scored 19 of his 24 points in the second half to lead the Cardinals to their first victory. A 19-3 Louisville run to start the second half took the Blue Demons out of the game. James Brewer added 19 points and Everick Sullivan 15 for Louisville, which had played only one other game this season, getting blown out by Indiana on Dec. 1. DePaul's David Booth led all scorers with 25 points.

At Columbia, S.C., Barry Manning and Joe Rhett scored 19 points each and keyed a swarming defense. The Gamecocks, 7-1, never trailed after the opening minute and used a 22-6 run in the final 11 minutes of the first half to cruise to their sixth straight victory.

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MANILA, Philippines (DEC. 13) UPI - President Corazon Aquino signed a bill Thursday that creates a powerful police force separate from the military which would take primary responsibility for internal security and the anti-insurgency campaign.

Aquino named Maj. Gen. Cesar Nazareno, chief of the Philippine Constabulary, as the head of the Philippine National Police to be placed under the revitalized and renamed Department of Interior and Local Governments.

For the first time since the late dictator Ferdinand Marcos declared martial law in 1972 and merged police functions with the military, police forces will fall under the supervision of city and town mayors, except for a month during elections.

''We have taken the final step towards cutting off the remaining vestige of the past authoritarian regime when civilian and military functions were merged to consolidate political power in support of the dictatorship,'' Aquino said during the signing ceremony.

But she said ''there is so much to be done, a renaissance of the police force is in order.''

Under the new law, local police forces numbering some 42,000 will be merged with the 50,000-strong Constabulary, formed in 1901 while the country was a U.S. colony. Eventual target strength of the PNP is 120, 000.

The move makes the Department of Interior and Local Governments more powerful than the defense department. Aside from taking control of the PNP, the department will supervise firefighting units and the national prisons.

PNP, whose creation is provided under the new constitution, will have under its wing the anti-hijacking unit, aviation security and police functions of the coast guard.

The law states that PNP will take charge of internal security, including peace and order and the campaign against communist and separatist insurgents and rebel soldiers who have tried seven times to oust Aquino.

In cases where additional firepower is needed and during national emergencies, the armed forces, under the defense department, could be called in to help.

The armed forces, including the 26,000-member Navy, the 17,000-strong Air Force and the 62,000-man Army, will be primarily in charge of external security, according to the new law.

Defense Secretary Fidel Ramos said the formation of the PNP would result in the ''continuous acceleration and intensification of the momentum of our peace and order drive.''

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(DEC. 13) UPI - The Boston Celtics are back, and getting better fast.

For the past two seasons, the Celtics were mediocre - struggling at home, losing on the road and looking like a tired old team. Now, after just 21 games under first-year coach Chris Ford, Boston is up and running and back among the best.

On Wednesday night at Boston Garden, the Celtics humbled the Central Division-leading Milwaukee Bucks 129-111, shooting an extraordinary 65 percent from the floor. Boston, now 17-4, led from the opening minutes and was ahead by 36 points in the third quarter.

''In the end, we closed the gap and made it respectable,'' said Bucks Coach Del Harris. ''The truth was, it was a knockout.''

What made the victory even more impressive was that Boston's worst loss of the year came in Milwaukee, a 28-point rout on Nov. 13.

Since then, Ford has moved 6-foot-5 shooter Kevin Gamble into the starting lineup at small forward and the result has been 13 wins in the last 15 games.

''He's the difference in our team - he's a winner,'' says appreciative teammate Larry Bird, who often works give-and-go plays with Gamble, who ranks fourth in the NBA in shooting percentage.

The Celtics have also benefited greatly from the addition of quick guards Brian Shaw and Dee Brown, who give speed to the combined 38 years experience of big men Bird, Robert Parish and Kevin McHale, whose respective ages are 34, 37 and 32.

''Right now, the Celtics have a nice mix of veterans and youth,'' said Harris. ''If you're going to make changes, it's better to trade in old, short legs instead of old, long legs.''

Bird, who admits he's not the star he once was, occasionally struggles with his shooting touch; like his 15-for-51 misfiring during a recent Texas trip.

But he was on-target against the Bucks, scoring 18 of his 30 points in the first quarter - when the ball never touched the rim.

''He came out on fire tonight,'' said Milwaukee's Alvin Robertson. ''He gave his teammates all the confidence in the world and they never looked back.''

''We just try to give him the ball and get out of his way,'' said Boston's Reggie Lewis, who scored 18 points.

The Celtics took control of the game in the first half, when they shot 61 percent from the floor and committed just one turnover while building a 66-48 halftime advantage.

The Bucks, who had a four-game winning streak snapped, were paced by Frank Brickowski's 17 points.

Elsewhere in the NBA Wednesday night, San Antonio out-played Charlotte 92-81, Houston downed Philadelphia 108-100, the LA Clippers stopped Cleveland 100-90, Atlanta routed Miami 118-93, Seattle overcame Indiana 99-90 and Dallas took out the LA Lakers 112-97 in overtime.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Spurs 92, Hornets 81

At Charlotte, N.C., David Robinson scored 24 points and grabbed 17 rebounds, leading San Antonio to its third straight win. The Spurs scored the game's first 7 points and never trailed. The Hornets, losers for the fifth straight game, were paced by Armon Gilliam's 16 points and 14 rebounds.

Rockets 108, 76ers 100

At Philadelphia, Akeem Olajuwon scored 29 points and grabbed 15 rebounds as Houston ended a 23-game losing streak at the Specturm. The Rockets had not won in Philadelphia since Jan. 2, 1974. The 76ers, winners in their previous four games, were paced by Charles Barkley's 29 points.

LA Clippers 100, Cavs 90

At Richfield, Ohio, Ken Norman scored 9 of his game-high 30 points in a decisive 21-2 run at the start of the third quarter. The Clippers won for just the second time in eight road games. The Cavaliers, who lost their third in a row, were led by Brad Daugherty's 21 points and 13 rebounds.

Hawks 118, Heat 93

At Miami, Dominique Wilkins scored 28 points and collected 17 rebounds, leading Atlanta to its fourth win in five games. Kevin Willis added 22 points

for the resurgent Hawks, who led from midway through the first quarter. Miami, which lost its fifth in a row, was paced by Sherman Douglas and Glen Rice with 16 points each.

Sonics 95, Pacers 86

At Seattle, Derrick McKey and Shawn Kemp each scored 18 points and Seattle kept Indiana's road mark a perfect 0-11, the league's worst away-from-home record. The Pacers lost despite Reggie Miller's game-high 26 points and Rik Smits' 18. The Supersonics had been struggling at home, having lost four of their previous five.

Mavericks 112, LA Lakers 97 (OT)

At Inglewood, Calif., the Mavericks scored the first 13 points in overtime and ended a six-game losing streak. Rodney McCray forced the extra period with an 18-foot turnaround jumper as time expired in regulation play. For Dallas, Derek Harper, Rolando Blackman and James Donaldson each scored 22 points. The Lakers received a game-high 28 points from James Worthy.

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HONG KONG (DEC. 13) UPI - The government estimated Thursday that up to 30 percent of the hundreds of thousands of Hong Kong residents emigrating ahead of China's takeover in 1997 would return to the British colony once they gained foreign passports.

Officials said a sagging global economy would bolster the return rate and based their estimate on informal surveys and an increase in the number of former Hong Kong people applying for permanent residence in the colony.

''We estimate that between 10 and 30 percent of those people who emigrated since 1985 may be returning to Hong Kong,'' said Regina Ip, deputy director of Administration. ''It takes two to three years to fulfill residency requirements in a foreign country and indications show that a number of these people are now coming back.''

The estimate followed official projections that a record 62,000 people - mostly middle-class professionals - would emigrate this year and that the exodus would remain at similar levels in 1991.

The government said the number of former Hong Kong residents applying to live in the colony again doubled in 1990. No specific numbers were released and Ip said the actual increase was very small and ''statisically meaningless.''

''But it is interesting and, taken together with household surveys we did and our informal contacts, points to an increase in those people returning,'' she

said.

China pledged in a 1984 agreement with London to leave Hong Kong's liberal system intact for 50 years after Britain's 99-year lease on the colony expired but tens of thousands of disbelieving Hong Kong residents emigrate to more secure countries each year.

The brain drain has further tightened the colony's already strained skilled labor force and, according to a series of polls, has caused many multinational companies to consider relocating.

The government and the private sector have launched schemes to lure the colony's emigrants back, but officials involved in many of the programs said they achieved little success.

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PARIS (DEC. 13) UPI - France's leading anti-terrorist magistrate who uncovered a network of pro-Iranian bombers in Paris died Thursday after firing a bullet into his mouth in what police said was a suicide.

Doctors fought to save the life of Judge Gilles Boulouque, 40, after he shot himself at his home in the capital. But Boulouque died from his wound around 2 a.m.

Associates said the investigating judge had been suffering from personal problems recently. But the Professional Association of Magistrates said in a statement that the judge had been hounded by enemies within his profession as well as some journalists and politicians.

The group called on ''certain judicial, governmental and journalistic circles to question themselves about the share of the responsibility coming from them.''

Such circles created ''psychological conditions that have played their role in this outcome,'' the magistrates' association contended. Boulouque was a conservative who headed investigations into numerous terrorist cases, notably the wave of Iranian-sponsored bombings that hit Paris in 1986, killing 13 people and injuring 250 others.

The bombing spree struck terror into the hearts of Parisians and led to a siege of Iranian Embassy in the capital after Iran refused to hand over for questioning an Embassy employee Boulouque suspected of masterminding the attacks.

Boulouque cultivated a tough public image and had clashed with President Francois Mitterrand's Socialist government which the judge accused of trying

to undermine the independence of the judiciary.

Former Prime Minister Jacques Chirac, who owed much of his popularity in office to Boulouque's efforts to crack the Middle Eastern terrorist threat, paid homage to the magistrate Thursday.

''This has caused me much pain. He was a man of great integrity, a truly remarkable and exemplary judge who made a very important contribution to the struggle against terrorism,'' said Chirac, who is mayor of Paris.

Although authorities insisted the judge had been suffering from serious personal problems, his attorney, Francois Sarda, fueled the inevitable controversy over the apparent suicide Thursday by saying Boulouque had ''no private problems.''

''Gilles Boulouque had been hit by unjust resentments,'' Sarda said in a statement sent to the Senate. He cried for the ricochets on his family. His wounds were profound and still bleeding. His smile covered ''und and still b

Sarda said that Boulouque ''was living with a dumb interior revolt that without doubt wore down his nerves. Now he is receiving new, posthumous blows when one evokes private problems to explain his gesture when they did not exist.''

Boulouque in November 1989 indicted a pro-Iranian fundamentalist leader and 17 other people on charges of carrying out the wave of terrorist attacks in Paris in 1986.

Fouad Ali Saleh, a Tunisian, was charged with being the ''chief coordinator'' of the bombings, choosing the targets, receiving the explosives and maintaining contacts with the pro-Iranian Hezbollah (Party of God) Shiite Moslem fundamentalist movement in Lebanon.

Boulouque's death was sure to re-open a long-running debate over political interference in the struggle against terrorism. Earlier this year Mitterrand pardoned Anis Nacacche, a pro-Iranian gunman serving a life prison term for a 1982 assassination attempt against Shapour Bakhtiar, the last prime minister of the Shah. Naccache and three associates were allowed to fly to Tehran.

A state prosecutor, Bruno Cotte, ordered Thursday that an autopsy be carried out on his colleague following the suicide, judicial sources said.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - Algeria's president arrived in Baghdad Wednesday from Jordan and held a first round of talks with Saddam Hussein. The Algerian president also plans to go to Saudi Arabia in what some observers call ''the most

crucial Arab mediation effort on the gulf crisis so far.''

10 people are listed in serious condition following Wednesday's train accident in Boston. 254 people were injured when a passenger train derailed and slammed into a packed commuter train. An apprentice engineer was at the controls of the Amtrak train.

There are now two vacancies in the Bush Cabinet. Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos will resign, as of Saturday, after he gives a commencement address to West Virginia University. Elizabeth Dole resigned as labor secretary last month.

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Scientists say the annual ''Geminid'' meteor shower should be especially festive this year because a dark, moonless night is expected for the peak period of shooting stars Thursday night into Friday morning.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - Around the world, around the clock, the latest news from U-P-I...

A young war hero is in charge of Iraq's armed forces after the latest shakeup by Saddam Hussein. The Iraqi president Wednesday replaced an elderly general with the general who built the solid defenses that protected the southern Iraqi port of Basra from Iranian troops in 1982.

The first Marine to refuse to go to the Mideast for Operation Desert Shield has dropped legal action against the corps in an agreement with the military. Lance Corporal Jeffrey Paterson of Hollister, California, asked to be a conscientious objector, but took an ''other than honorable'' discharge instead.

Israeli Army Radio says Palestinian youths in the occupied West Bank stoned a convoy of vehicles in which Defense Minister Moshe Arens was traveling. The radio says Arens and his entourage were NOT hurt and two of stone-throwers were arrested by security forces traveling with the minister.

One doctor at the scene of the collision of an Amtrak passenger train and a packed commuter train says it's a ''miracle'' NO one was killed. But 264 people were injured- some seriously- when the Amtrak train derailed and hit the second train, leaving unrecognizable wreckage inside Back Bay station.

Rebels in El Salvador say they'll shoot down combat planes the United States plans to ship to the Central American nation. The rebels say the U-S decision

to speed up military aid to El Salvador was a mistake since- quoting here- ''the new warplanes will be shot down and the low- flying tactic will continue to meet our curtain of fire.''

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COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 13) UPI - Ohio State running backs coach Bobby Turner will join the staff of new Purdue Coach Jim Colletto as offensive coordinator and assistant head coach, it was reported Thursday.

The Columbus Dispatch said Turner, who would not comment on the move, would receive a pay raise of $25,000 per year to $75,000.

Colletto, the former OSU defensive coordinator, left last week to assume the Purdue head coaching job.

''I can't blame Bobby Turner for taking the position,'' said Ohio State head coach John Cooper. ''But I told him this morning I think he's making a mistake. I think he will have a better chance leaving the Ohio State staff and getting a head job someday than he will from somewhere else.

''You know how I feel about losing coaches to head coaching positions,'' said Cooper. ''But it bothers me to lose an assistant coach to another assistant job job.

''And I don't like a guy off my staff to leave and then hire a guy off my staff,'' he said. ''I didn't like it at Arizona State or Tulsa and I don't here. But it happens.''

Turner is the third assistant Cooper has lost in recent weeks with defensive coach Gary Blackney named to the head coaching job at Bowling Green State University, and he may lose another.

Defensive coordinator Bill Young reportedly had an interview scheduled for Thursday for the head coaching job at North Texas State.

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CALHOUN, Tenn. (DEC. 13) UPI - Federal investigators worked Thursday to determine the cause of a massive wreck that smashed more than 80 vehicles, killed 13 people and injured about 50 on a fog-choked stretch of interstate

highway.

A National Transportation Safety Board team was looking at a nearby paper mill as a possible source of the blinding fog bank that rolled off the Hiwassee River and onto Interstate 75 between Athens and Cleveland, Tenn., touching off the fiery crash, which state troopers called the worst in Tennessee history.

Authorities originally put the number of dead at about 15 but the local medical examiner later revised the number of fatalities to an ''estimated'' 13 with other law-enforcement and emergency agencies giving conflicting death counts.

Area hospitals, which admitted about 50 injured victims, reported about 20 still hospitalized in serious or critical condition.

Efforts to identify the victims, some of whom were ''burned beyond recognition '' centered at the Jerry Smith Funeral Home in nearby Athens, with corpses stored in a refrigerated trailer parked outside.

Rescue workers with hammers, crowbars and other equipment spent Wednesday prying open the twisted remains of cars and trucks, looking for bodies and survivors, and road crews using cranes and tow trucks struggled to clear the charred wreckage from the four-lane highway, the main artery between Knoxville and Chattanooga.

Paving crews worked to replace asphalt that was burned away by numerous fires that erupted during the crash.

The area where Interstae 75 crossess the Hiwassee has been the scene of several deadly multivehicle pileups on foggy mornings, and some officials and area residents blame the nearby Bowater pulp and paper plant, which has nine steam-spewing smokestacks and three large holding ponds near the roadway.

''This is at least the fifth multi-car pileup we've had on this stretch of road since the interstate opened in the early 1970s,'' said Calhoun Fire Chief Gary Knight.

Researchers at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville said they have traced the fog involved in earlier accidents to the paper mill, although they have been unable to prove the mill was directly responsible for any of the wrecks.

But a report issued by the university's transportation research center said the primary source of fog in a similar crash at the same spot in 1978 ''appeared to be the Bowater paper plant.''

The study was requested by the Tennessee Office of Urban and Federal Affairs because of a 62-vehicle chain-reaction collision during dense fog on the same section of Interstate 75 in November 1978.

UT civil engineer Wayne Davis, who directed the study, said a paper plant ''by its very nature'' contributes to fog problems.

''A paper plant is a process where you take wood, cook it and evaporate the water to make paper,'' Davis said Wednesday. ''A tremendous amount of water is converted into steam. If you look around the nation, you will always find the potential for dense fog around paper plants.''

The university report said factors contributing to the fog ''appeared to be split between the plant building and a series of (plant) ponds located northwest of the plant along the Hiwassee.''

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#90347u0467 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (DEC. 13) UPI - The United States asked Japan in talks Wednesday and Thursday to improve and expand a 1988 agreement that allows foreign companies to bid on 14 major Japanese construction projects.

The U.S. side asked Japan to open all public works projects to foreign construction companies, not just the 14 major projects listed in the 1988 agreement, said a senior U.S. official who requested anonymity.

A Japanese Foreign Ministry official said, ''At this moment we are not thinking of an extension. We are already seeing some achievements. Let's see how these things develop.''

The talks also took up U.S. complaints that American companies were unfairly passed over when the Kansai International Airport Co. awarded a $38 million contract for a people mover system to a Japanese company.

Americans claim AEG Westinghouse, a U.S.-German joint venture with extensive experience in constructing airport people movers, was denied the contract based on a preliminary cost estimate.

The less experienced Japanese company gave a significantly lower cost estimate. But the U.S. side maintains the preliminary cost estimate was not intended to be a firm bid and should not have been the basis for a decision.

The U.S. side wants the bidding for the people mover to be reopened and wants assurances that all future awards will be handled fairly, the senior U.S. official said.

The Japanese view is that the 1988 agreement is functioning well and needs no adjustments, the Japanese official said. He added more than $220 million in contracts have been given to American companies under the agreement.

The U.S. official said the Americans are more concerned with making sure the process is fair than whether or not U.S. companies win awards.

Only a fair process will assure U.S. companies will be willing to take the risk involved in making a bid for Japanese construction contracts, he said.

The official said the reaction of American companies is, ''Why the hell should we invest a dollar when the process is not fair.''

On the eve of the talks, the Kansai International Airport Co. awarded a baggage handling system contract to a group made up of American, German and Japanese companies.

The American official said the baggage award did not rectify the problems in the bidding process.

''Clearly they are saying the Americans did not get the people mover, but Americans got the baggage system,'' the U.S. official said. ''Our intention was to establish a fair process.''

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City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque mc	58	41	....
Anchorage cy	25	22	.17
Asheville mc	64	30	....
Atlanta pc	65	47	....
Baltimore pc	58	35	....
Billings pc	38	14	....
Birmingham cy	66	52	....
Bismarck sy	36	16	....
Boston pc	41	40	....
Brownsville pc	81	57	....
Buffalo w	55	44	.04
Burlington Vt. sh	37	30	....
Charleston S.C. sy	68	51	....
Charlotte pc	62	41	....
Chicago pc	55	30	....
Cincinnati mc	60	46	.01
Cleveland cy	57	40	.03
Columbus Ohio mc	57	46	....
Dallas pc	80	45	....
Denver sn	52	30	....
Des Moines sy	44	25	....
Detroit cy	56	39	.01

Duluth pc	33	08	....
El Paso mc	70	45	....
Evansville cy	58	39	....
Fargo sy	34	04	....
Hartford pc	49	27	....
Honolulu sh	81	72	.01
Houston pc	79	55	....
Indianapolis cy	59	37	....
Jackson Miss. mc	72	56	....
Jacksonville sy	71	43	....
Kansas City cy	52	31	....
Las Vegas f	58	38	....
Little Rock cy	67	55	....
Los Angeles cy	61	51	....
Louisville cy	62	51	.09
Memphis pc	69	59	....
Miami Beach pc	75	66	....
Milwaukee pc	50	31	....
Minneapolis pc	37	19	....
Nashville pc	67	56	....
New Orleans pc	74	58	....
New York mc	45	44	....
Oklahoma City pc	66	38	....
Omaha pc	46	23	....
Orlando sy	75	49	....
Philadelphia pc	53	36	....
Phoenix pc	72	56	.03
Pittsburgh cy	58	50	....
Portland Me. sh	34	30	....
Portland Ore. mc	40	37	.03
Providence pc	46	35	....
Richmond pc	68	43	....
St. Louis cy	62	39	....
Salt Lake City cy	36	30	.04
San Antonio pc	77	47	....
San Diego pc	65	57	....
San Francisco pc	58	45	....
San Juan sy	83	73	.03
Seattle pc	41	34	.01
Spokane cy	37	29	.03
Tampa sy	72	52	....
Washington pc	56	43	....
Wichita cy	54	38	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair

fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90347u0497 12/13/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 13) UPI - A strong earthquake hit a coastal area of southeastern Sicily early today, causing some deaths and injuries. Officials say the quake that killed at least three and injured 30, damaged buildings and sent tens of thousands of citizens into the streets in panic.

South Korean President Roh Tae-woo left Seoul today on an historic four-day official visit to Moscow at the invitation of Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev. Roh is the first South Korean head of state to go to the Soviet Union.

The third round of talks between the prime ministers of South and North Korea ended today with no agreement on how to end two country's 45-year division. The two leaders agreed to get together again February 25th in the North Korean capital.

U-S officials were quoted yesterday as saying that contributions to offset the cost of Operation Desert Shield have fallen short of what was promised. They singled out Japan and Germany as having paid only one fifth of what they promised.

The United States has asked Japan to improve and expand a 1988 agreement that allows foreign companies to bid on 14 major Japanese construction projects. The Japanese say that the 1988 agreement is functioning well and needs no adjustments.

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#90347u0504 12/13/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 13) UPI - Stocks on the Tokyo Stock Exchange staged a powerful rally Thursday on expectations of lower domestic and U.S. interest rates, lifting the benchmark indicator for the seventh straight session.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which rose 42.44 points Wednesday, soared 643.56 points to 24,642.97.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major issues gained 34.48 points to 1,813.98 points, following a 7.87-points advance Wednesday.

An estimated 600 million shares changed hands, compared with 625 million shares Wednesday.

Advances overpowered declines 761 to 221, while 140 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange closed lower in dull trading.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index shed 10.67 points to 3,150.12. The drop followed a gain of 16.17 points Wednesday.

Volume was thin as an estimated 752 million shares changed hands, compared with 682 million Wednesday.

In Singapore, stocks firmed on the Singapore Stock Exchange in line with higher closings on Wall Street and regional bourses.

The blue-chip Straits Times Industrial Index rose 10.46 points to 1, 195.15.

The broader-based All Singapore Index rose 2.54 points to 329.40 in turnover of about 69.2 million shares.

In Australia, stocks closed lower on the Sydney Sharemarket followinmg a worse-than-expected report on Australia's employment picture.

The All Ordinaries index eased 3.9 points to 1,319.7. The All Industrials index fell 5.1 points to 2,005.6 and the All Resources Index eased 1.8 point to 791.7.

Turnover was a disappointing 65.5 million shares.

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CLEVELAND (DEC. 13) UPI - Hitting a home run at Cleveland Stadium might be a little more difficult next season.

Tribe president Hank Peters says the club is considering moving the fences back to enhance the qualities of a team that will be long on speed and short on power in 1991.

In the past two seasons, the Indians have traded sluggers Joe Carter and Cory

Snyder and lost Candy Maldonado to free agency.

''We want to maximize our speed and minimize our opponents' power,'' Peters said. ''One of the best ways that can be accomplished is by moving the fences back and letting our fans enjoy a different brand of baseball.''

The current dimensions are 320 feet down the lines, 377 in left, 387 in the left field power alley, 400 in center, 395 in the right field power alley and 385 in right. The dimensions down the line could not be changed because the line runs into the seats.

''We thought about moving the fences back last season, but we really didn't know what kind of team we'd have,'' Peters said. ''Now we do. I know we've lost some power, but 80 percent of our offensive unit is back and we've developed good speed in the outfield.

''We want to take advantage of that.''

Last year, the Indians were out-homered 86-52 at home. In addition, the Cleveland pitching staff allowed a major league high 163 home runs in 1990.

''We've done a lot of work on this, studied a lot of statistics,'' Peters said. ''I'm not saying we're going to do it, but I'm leaning that way. If we do, the move will be significant. If you move an outfield fence a couple of feet, it doesn't mean much.''

Any changes must be approved by American League president Dr. Bobby Brown.

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#90347u0607 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Dec. 12: Purchases of 672,750 shares and sales of 628,765 shares including 5,989 shares sold short.

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#90347u0618 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

ROME (DEC. 13) UPI - The 12 European Community leaders begin a two-day summit Friday to launch historic steps toward a common currency and joint foreign policy for post-Cold War Europe.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen c	1pm	36	02

Amsterdam cy	1pm	42	05
Ankara c	3pm	51	10
Athens c	2pm	62	16
Auckland cy	12m	65	18
Beijing c	8pm	40	04
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	35	02
Bonn cy	1pm	40	04
Brussels cy	1pm	42	05
Cairo d	2pm	82	28
Casablanca c	12n	60	16
Copenhagen pc	1pm	37	02
Dakar pc	12n	74	23
Dublin c	1pm	37	03
Geneva pc	1pm	34	01
Helsinki c	2pm	29	-01
Hong Kong c	8pm	68	20
Jerusalem cy	2pm	70	21
Karachi	5pm	-	-
Lisbon pc	1pm	56	13
London c	1pm	41	05
Madrid c	1pm	53	12
Malta r	1pm	51	11
Manila c	8pm	81	27
Moscow cy	3pm	31	00
Nairobi cy	3pm	69	21
Nassau cy	7am	62	16
New Delhi c	6pm	68	20
Nice pc	1pm	53	12
Oslo c	1pm	26	-03
Paris c	1pm	45	07
Pretoria pc	2pm	83	28
Riyadh	3pm	80	26
Rome c	1pm	49	09
Seoul cy	9pm	36	02
Sofia pc	2pm	43	06
Stockholm c	1pm	27	-02
Sydney cy	10pm	72	22
Taipei c	8pm	68	20
Tokyo c	9pm	52	11
Tunis c	1pm	55	13
Vienna cy	1pm	40	04
Warsaw s	1pm	33	00

Latin America

Buenos Aires pc	9am	63	17
Caracas pc	8am	68	20
Havana	7am	-	-

Lima cy	7am	64	18
Mexico City hz	6am	47	08
Rio de Janeiro pc	9am	83	28
Santiago c	8am	58	14

Canada

Calgary pc	22	-05
Edmonton c	19	-07
Montreal	--	-
Ottawa	--	-
Regina s	21	-06
Toronto pc	50	10
Vancouver r	40	04
Winnipeg c	28	-02

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - The Treasury Department announced Thursday its holiday auction schedule.

The Treasury said it will auction its regular 13-week and 26-week T- bills Friday, December 21, for settlement Thursday, December 27.

The amount to be sold will be announced Tuesday, December 18.

The department will auction regular weekly 13- and 26-week bills Monday, december 31, for settlement Thursday, January 3. Non-competitive tenders will be received before 11 a.m. and competitive tenders will be received before noon.

The amount to be sold will be announced Wednesday, December 26.

The 2- and 4-year notes to be auctioned for settlement Monday, December 31,

are scheduled to be announced Wednesday, December 19, and auctioned Wednesday and Thursday, December 26 and 27.

The department will announce on Wednesday, January 2, the regular weekly 13- and 26-week bills to be auctioned Monday, January 7 and issued Thursday, January 10.

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GENEVA (DEC. 13) UPI - The 100 member countries of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) ended a short annual session Thursday without fixing a date for resuming the deadlocked Uruguay Round of trade liberalization negotiations.

GATT director general Arthur Dunkel, of Switzerland, will reconvene the talks next year ''when he feels the time is appropriate,'' said spokesman David Woods.

A meeting of trade ministers in Brussels last week was to have formally adopted a Uruguay Round package after four years of negotiations in Geneva.

But the ministerial meeting turned into an angry confrontation over demands by the United States and the ''Cairns Group'' farm producing countries that the European Community accept deep cuts in agricultural export and domestic subsidies.

The EC refused to make significant concessions and in turn charged Washington with reneging on a commitment to permit freer access to the U.S. market in the sector of services like banking and telecommunications.

At the annual session of GATT contracting parties, as members are called, permament ambassadors to the global trading arrangement managed to avoid potentially more damaging recriminations over the Uruguay Round stalemate.

''That in itself was quite an achievement given the bitterness at the Brussels ministerial,'' one ranking participant said.

Instead, the session Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning stuck mainly to routine matters, hearing reports from various trade dispute panels.

Action was delayed pending continued bilateral talks and the Uruguay Round outcome on U.S. complaints against Canadian restrictions on imported ice-cream yoghurt and liqor, and a Canadian complaint against U.S. duties on frozen pork imported from Canada.

A waiver from GATT free trade rules until the end of 1992 was accorded to the eastern part of Germany, so that trading partners of the former East Germany

could adjust to dealing with Bonn and vice versa.

Brazil's representative to GATT, Rubens Ricupero, was elected to the rotating chairmanship of the contracting parties, succeeding John Weekes of Canada.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $372.60, silver base of $4.01 and platinum price of $417.40:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$388.00	386.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	199.10	198.50
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	102.30	102.00
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.30	42.10
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	388.00	386.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	199.10	198.20
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	102.80	102.50
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.30	42.10
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	394.20	393.10
China Panda .50 troy oz.	203.10	202.50
China Panda .25 troy oz.	105.30	105.00
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	45.50	45.40
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.20	27.10
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	388.20	387.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	198.30	197.70
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	100.30	100.00
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.20	43.10
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	386.60	385.50
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	200.20	199.60
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	102.80	102.50
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	43.80	43.60
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	386.40	385.30
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	198.70	198.10
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	85.30	85.10
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.20	44.00
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.60	23.60
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.41	$5.47
90 percent silver bags $1,000		
face value pre-1965 circulated		
U.S. coinage:	$3,080	$3,190
40 percent silver bags $1,000		

face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy		
half dollars:	$1,350	$1,325
Platinum		
Australian Koala	432.00	439.00
Isle of Man Noble	429.00	435.00
Canada Maple Leaf	440.00	447.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos, who resigned abruptly Wednesday, was forced out of the Cabinet after White House chief of staff John Sununu gave him his walking papers, administration officials confirmed Thursday.

Cavazos, 63, the first Hispanic American to serve in the Cabinet, met with Sununu on Tuesday and was told that President Bush wanted him to quit by the end of the month, The New York Times reported.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater told United Press International that Cavazos ''just got in his car and drove away'' following his meeting with Sununu. Fitzwater said Cavazos called his top aide and asked him to inform the White House that he was resigning.

''He did have a meeting with Sununu,'' Fitzwater said, ''and he and Sununu talked about his future. Clearly something happened.''

''He worked hard, was loyal and dedicated. I don't want to be the one to dump on him. He did a good job,'' Fitzwater said.

Bush announced the resignation at a Cabinet meeting Wednesday morning that Cavazos did not attend.

Bush said he accepted Cavazos' resignation ''with deep regret,'' adding, ''For more than two years, and under two presidents, you have distinguished yourself through your devotion to improving the education of our nation's children.''

Bush, the self-described ''Education President'' called Cavazos ''my good friend'' in a speech to a governor's leadership group Wednesday afternoon, but administration officials indicated that Cavazos, a low key operator, was not aggressive enough for the White House.

Officials said that Sununu was playing his designated role as ''enforcer'' in delivering the bad news to Cavazos. The White House announced the resignation

to the public by issuing an exchange of letters between Bush and Cavazos.

Undersecretary Ted Sanders was named acting secretary until a successor is nominated.

Dissatisfaction with Cavazos was long rumored in the White House. He was first appointed by President Reagan in August 1988 to succeed William Bennett and was held over by Bush. Cavazos had been president of Texas Tech University when he joined the Reagan administration.

During his tenure, critics complained he did not use his office as a ''bully pulpit'' to encourage educational improvement and that student achievement actually got worse.

Even Cavazos called the most recent Nation's Report Card, using 1988 data, ''a compendium of disappointment.'' It found that most students cannot analyze what they read, cannot handle moderately challenging math problems and have a limited understanding of American history.

''I think what they (the White House) probably realized was that Democrats are going to attack Bush on his infamous pledge of being the education president and use it, in part, during the 1992 re-election campaign,'' said Bob Beckel, a Democratic consultant. ''Cavazos was not a very aggressive guy ... and one thing is for sure: Things have gotten worse.''

Ginny Terzano, spokeswoman for the Democratic National Committee, contended the administration has gotten ''intellectually tired'' on domestic issues.

''The level of commitment on domestic and education issues is horrendous. He has failed miserably on this,'' she said. ''Just look at the statistics on children's achievement and illiteracy.''

But an administration official defended Cavazos, calling him a "gentle persuader."

''Lauro Cavazos is a trained scientist. He has the mind of a steel trap. He does his homework and has a remarkable ability to remember things,'' said the official, who did not want to be identified.

Keith Geiger, president of the National Education Association, the nation's largest teachers' union, said, ''If there is one area that I would give him the most credit ... it is in the whole area of bilingual education.''

Rumors of his resignation have persisted, even after Cavazos's high- profile role at Bush's ''education summit'' last year in Charlottesville, Va., where the president convened the nation's governors for a first-time discussion of national educational goals for the year 2000.

Recently, Cavazos has been a strong advocate of educational choice - allowing students to decide which school to attend. He argued that school choice would make schools compete to be the best.

But he was hit with strong criticism by teachers' unions and others, who said it effectively avoids the difficult task of improving the schools - usually located in the inner-city - where students do not want to attend.

''I feel that we wish the administration had something other than choice on its mind, because we don't think that's the answer to plummeting test scores '' said June Million, spokeswoman for the National Association of Elementary School Principals, adding she thought Cavazos was a ''friend'' of early childhood education programs.

Some suggested replacements for Cavazos - although none has been officially announced - include former New Jersey Gov. Thomas Kean, now president of Drew University, and former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander, as well as Rep. Lynn Martin, R-Ill. who lost her bid to unseat Demoratic Sen. Paul Simon of Illinois, and Rep. Patricia Saiki, R-Hawaii.

The resignation leaves two vacancies in the Bush Cabinet. Elizabeth Dole resigned as labor secretary last month and a successor is expected to be named to her post before the end of the year.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - Tens of thousands of Italians ran into the streets in panic today when a powerful earthquake shook a coastal area of southeastern Sicily. Officials say the death toll is at least three, but that number could rise. In towns and villages all over the area, people fled their homes and spent the night in cars and open spaces.

Researchers say a series of medium-size tremors may indicate the coming of big earthquakes in California. They say the pattern might be used to improve predictions of when devastating quakes will strike.

Denmark's Conservative Prime Minister Poul Schluter today began regrouping after his party lost five seats in the legislature in yesterday's voting. The electon is expected to result in a re-shuffled NON-socialist coalition under Schluter's leadership.

Chinese Premier LI Peng arrived in Manila today for a three-day visit to the Philippines. Li is the highest ranking Chinese official to visit the Philippines since the two countries established diplomatic relations in June 1975.

Hong Kong officials estimate that as many as 30 percent of the hundreds of

thousands of Hong Kong residents emigrating ahead of China's takeover in 1997 will return to the British colony once they gain foreign passports.

The United Nations Security Council yesterday again postponed a debate on the possibility of holding an international conference on Middle East peace after the world's two superpowers consulted in Washington.

A report released by the non-profit consumer organization Citizen Action says 10 states produced more than half of the nation's 1988 emissions of carbon dioxide. The report says utilities were the biggest contributors.

Israeli legislators have decided to ban a fringe religious Jewish group from the Temple Mount complex next week, due to fears of a repeat of October violence that killed at least 17 Moslems.

The American Lung Association says tuberculosis rates apparently made a record climb in 1990, with the largest nationwide increase since national reporting on the disease began. T-B incidence through November 1990 increased by eight percent.

A study involving more than 80-thousand women has produced the strongest evidence yet that diets high in animal fats appear to sharply increase the risk of developing colon cancer.

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STOCKHOLM (DEC. 13) UPI - Paavo Nurmi, the ''Flying Finn'' who accumulated 10 Olympic gold medals in the 1920s, took performance-enhancing drugs during his legendary running career, the Swedish daily Dagens Nyheter reported Thursday.

Nurmi, who died in 1973 at the age of 76, used a German drug called Rejuven containing the male hormone testosterone.

''I have used Rejuven and I have been surprised over its extremely stimulating effect on the system,'' Nurmi said in an advertisement dated March 12, 1931, in the Swedish sportspaper Idrottsbladet.

''I believe especially sportmen during a long and hard season will have great use for Rejuven, which strengthens and increases the vitality. From my own experiences I strongly recommend Rejuven,'' said Nurmi, who at one time held 20 official middle and long-distance world records.

Three Swedish athletes were in the same advertisement promoting the drug sold by the company ''The Elephant's Drugshop.'' They claimed it improved their spirit and made them endure hard training without getting tired.

Anabolic steroids, including testosterone, weren't banned until 1975.

''There were a lot of drugs being used in the 1930s,'' said the now 94-year-old Edvin Wide, who was Sweden's leading runner in the 1920s. ''Amphetamine was commonly used in the 1930s. Athletes took it and even old ladies used to take it to brighten themselves up.''

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TOKYO (DEC. 13) UPI - The Soviet Union has ordered 18 freighters worth about $307.7 million from Japan in an apparent move to improve distribution of commodities in the country, a Japanese trading firm said Thursday.

Mitsubishi Corp. said the order was received from Sovkomflot, formerly a state-run shipping company which was privatized in July 1988 in line with President Mikhail Gorvachev's economic reform policy.

The order included eight 9,500-ton class freighters and 10 6,100-ton class vessels for delivery between July 1991 and March 1993, Mitsubishi said.

Payments will be made in a combination of cash and leasing in consideration of the country's foreign exchange shortage, the company said.

Sovkomflot currently operates a fleet of 178 vessels, the company said.

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TOKYO (DEC. 13) UPI - Taking advantage of favorable exchange rates, an estimated 450,000 Japanese were expected to travel overseas during the year-end holiday season, up 10 percent over last year, the Japan Travel Bureau said Thursday.

The agency said the travelers would be among 28.2 million Japanese planning to travel either at home or abroad during the holiday season.

Total expenditures by travelers are estimated $10.5 billion, the agency said.

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MEIRINGEN, SWITZERLAND (DEC. 13) UPI - More than half a foot of fresh snow and a bank of stubborn clouds forced cancellation Thursday of two training runs for a women's World Cup downhill due to be raced Friday.

Mountain crews using six snowcat tractors worked overnight in this alpine resort in central Switzerland to clear the new snow from the 2.4- kilometer Weltcup Strecke.

But the all-night effort, which continued in the morning with an additional 150 snow packers, was in vain as fog and more snow made speed training impossible.

''We will try again on Friday, with a single training run at 9:15 a. m. and the race at 11:45 a.m.,'' said press chief Nils Glatthard. ''We're certainly not having any luck with the weather.''

The ill-starred downhill is part of a three-race series through Sunday at the resort made famous by a Sherlock Holmes novel of the last century. In the book the fictional British detective and his archrival Moriarty fall to their deaths over a waterfall near the village during a struggle.

Weather conditions should improve for Friday, according to organizers. A super-giant slalom is set for Saturday and a giant slalom is due to be held Sunday.

With all of the fresh snow, the course, which drops 680 meters through 37 gates, should be much slower than normal. The conditions could give an advantage to later starters, who stand to benefit from a slicked-down track flattened by first-seed starters.

But the relatively easy course also holds some problems. Mistakes, for instance, will be critical, since time lost is almost impossible to make up.

''It's going to be a hard course to win on,'' said Canadian Kerrin Lee-Gartner third in a downhill last weekend in Austria. ''If you make one small mistake it will be with you the entire way down.

''The person who has the cleanest, most perfect run is definitely going to win this one.''

World Cup points leader Petra Kronberger of Austria, second behind teammate Katrin Gutensohn in last Saturday's downhill in Altenmarkt, Austria, should certainly widen her margin in the standings when the series ends here.

The defending World Cup holder has 95 points from three victories and a second place. Well back in second place is Austrian Sigrid Wolf with 35.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - The New York Mets signed free agent outfielder Terry Puhl Thursday to a one-year, $100,000 contract.

Puhl, 34, had played 14 seasons with the Houston Astros, with whom he batted .293 last year with eight RBI in just 41 at-bats.

The Canadian-born Puhl has a career batting average of .281 with 62 homers and 432 RBI.

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BOSTON (DEC. 13) UPI - Federal investigators Thursday checked reports that an Amtrak train driven by an apprentice engineer on the job only two days was speeding 40 mph above the limit when it derailed and smashed into a commuter train inside a station, injuring more than 260 people.

Reports said the Amtrak Night Owl from Washington, D.C., apparently was going 70 to 75 mph in a 30-mph zone when it hit a sharp curve during rush hour Wednesday morning. The train derailed and skidded into the seven-car commuter train on another track inside Back Bay Station, creating a scene that one fire official said looked ''right out of hell. ''

''We're still checking into everything from speed to track to crew,'' MBTA spokesman Howard Robertson said. ''Anything that could have contributed to the crash.''

Crews worked Thursday morning to untangle the wreckage of three locomotives as investigators from the National Transportation Safety Board prepared to interview crewmembers aboard both trains, including the engineers.

Amtrak officials late Wednesday said Richard Abramson, 41, of Trumbull, Conn., was at the controls when the accident happened. Abramson was an apprentice engineer in the third year of an engineer- training program.

Abramson had started working regular Amtrak routes only two days before the crash, the Boston Globe reported Thursday. He was being supervised by veteran Willis Copeland, 53, of Bethany, Conn., who had been involved in a previous fatal train wreck.

Both were seriously injured, officials said.

Abramson was removed from intensive care and was upgraded to fair condition Thursday at St. Elizabeth's Hospital with several broken bones. Copeland remained in intensive care at Boston City Hospital in stable condition with head, spinal and abdomenal injuries.

An Amtrak spokesman said Abramson had been an apprentice since 1987 and was fully qualified to be running the train. He was being supervised by Copeland, an engineer with more than 25 years experience, the spokeman, D.J. Beatty, said.

Copeland had been involved in a 1984 crash in New York City that killed one

man and injured 115 people. That crash was blamed on a faulty signal.

Investigators have removed monitoring tapes, similar to those used in airliners, from both trains.

One doctor at the scene of Wednesday's train crash said it was ''a miracle'' no one was killed. A total of 264 people were taken to seven Boston hospitals for treatment, transit officials said. Most of the injuries were minor, but 10 people were listed in serious condition.

The crash occurred at 8:23 a.m. Wednesday just after the MBTA train carrying about 900 commuters stopped in the station to discharge passengers.

The Night Owl, which originated in Washington, was arriving about the same time on an adjacent track with about 190 passengers and was rounding a curve when its locomotive derailed.

The train traveled about 1,200 feet along the trackbed before smashing into the locomotive at the rear of the MBTA train, sending screaming passengers and luggage flying about on both trains, officials said.

''The impact was so strong that everyone's seat came off the floor, so we were all sandwiched,'' said Will Weyell, 22, of Carver, who was on the overnight Amtrak on his first train trip. ''Everything went flying - people, seats, luggage. I will never ride a train again.''

Two transit police and two city medical workers, who were overcome by heavy smoke from the fire as they tried to rescue panicked passengers, also were under intensive care, officials said.

Dr. Melvin Glimcher, who raced to the accident scene from a nearby medical clinic, said, ''It was a miracle, a miracle that no one was killed. If you could have only seen the wreckage.''

Some passengers said they crawled out of train windows to escape the wreckage.

Passenger Charlotte Craven said there was a loud crash, then the lights went out and people started screaming.

''It tipped over at a 45-degree angle,'' passenger Scott Shulman said of one train. ''There was smoke, a lot of smoke.'' The Bay Back station was filled with heavy smoke from burning diesel fuel from the crash.

MBTA spokeswoman Nancy Sterling Gleason said transit personnel involved in the crash would undergo alcohol and drug tests, which is routinely done after a train accident.

Commuters who normally use the line involved in the accident found round-about

ways to getting into the city Thursday. The MBTA reported no problems.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 69.50-71.25 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 116.625-118.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 35.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $185.00-$195.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $418.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $423.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $104.00-$108.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 276.25 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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VAL GARDENA, ITALY (DEC. 13) UPI - Last year's training for the Val Gardena classic World Cup downhill was a costly affair. At least five skiers fell over the legendary ''Camel Bumps'' jumps and suffered serious knee injuries.

The reasons were varied, but much of the blame was laid on the deadly combination of an icy natural snow base, topped with artificial snow in a year when race spectators stood on the grass and snow was scarce.

The ''Camels'' - where racers who choose to fly the jumps must have nerves of steel and perfect timing - had barely 5.9 inches of icy surface. Peter Mueller of Switzerland was finished for the season following his accident, while Gerhard Pfaffenbichler of Austria ended up a guest at the Innsbruck University Hospital, and soon retired from ski racing. Three other members of the Swiss, Italian and Austrian teams tore knee ligaments when they made errors and lost control of their skis.

This year, following modifications to the course, it should be different.

''We have made some changes which should not make the race any less spectacular from a visual point of view, but should mean there will be no more injuries,'' Sepp Messner, the safety expert for the International Ski Federation, said.

''We have modified the 'Looping' (a section 30 seconds out of the start gates) and set back the first of the Camel bumps another 15 meters. Also the jump going into the finish is not there any more. We can't have courses which cost a lot of serious injuries.''

In opening training Wednesday, Swiss Franz Heinzer was the fastest and there was only one fall resulting in injury. Austrian Peter Rzehak injured his elbow and doctors reported he would wear a cast for the next three weeks. But not all of the racers opted for the Camel Bumps on a day when many said the course was not sufficiently prepared.

Canadian Brian Stemmle, hailed as a hero for his comeback to downhill racing after life-threatening injuries at Kitzbuehel in 1989, was also on the course. Stemmle amazed the critics by placing 10th last weekend at the Val d'Isere, France, downhill.

''I haven't decided whether I will race all the downhills this season yet,'' Stemmle said after an inspection of the Val Gardena course. ''I am feeling really great and will just take it day by day.''

Apart from the standard Austrian and Swiss lineup, favorites for Friday and Saturday's races include three Norwegians - Atle Skaardal, second in the downhill competition last season, Lasse Arnesen and Jan Elnar Thorsen.

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DETROIT (DEC. 13) UPI - The tail emergency escape cone of a Northwest Airlines jet involved in a runway collision that killed eight was not released externally by firefighters, as required in training procedures, an airport official said Wednesday.

Federal investigators said earlier the cone was not deployed by an interior release mechanism after the Dec. 3 collision between a DC-9 and a Boeing 727 at Detroit Metropolitan Airport. Two victims were found dead in the tail cone of the DC-9 near the release handle.

Dan Kerber, deputy director of airport operations, said releasing the tail cone externally is ''definitely part of the training procedures.''

''The firefighters are trained in aircraft familiarization,'' Kerber said. ''They are made awared of where the emergency exits are on teh aircraft at the airport. They are trained on how to utilize those emergency exits, both inside and outside.

Northwest had said bodies of passenger Kingsley Brown, 30, of Pittsburgh, and flight attendant Heidi Joost, 43, of Dearborn, Mich., were found within feet of the tail exit.

Airline spokesman Doug Miller said they apparently had reached the rear of the passenger compartment and removed a hatch allowing them to step onto a catwalk that took them to the tail cone. Miller said a red release handle in that area is designed to pop the tail cone off the DC- 9 and alow passengers to use an inflatable slide to safety.

John K. Lauber, who led the on-site investigation by the National Transportation Safety Board last week, said Wednesday the stem of the interior release handle was found to be broken.

''Examination of the DC-9 tail cone is continuing,'' Lauber said. ''Investigators have found, after extensive testing, that the interior tail cone release mechanism failed to separate the tail cone and deploy the emergency slide. When the exterior tail cone release was pulled, the tail cone promptly separated and the slide deployed as designed.

Lauber said the interior release handle was found partially raised from its stowed position during the safety board's initial examination.

''Investigators inspected the interior release handle and have found the stem of the handle broken,'' he said. ''The entire tail cone release mechanism is undergoing a complete metallurgical examination at the NTSB laboratories in Washington.''

Miller said it may never be known whether Joost or Brown tried to use the lever.

The airline checked the tail-cone release system on all of its 139 remaining DC-9s and found no problems, Miller said.

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HONG KONG (DEC. 13) UPI - Northern Irishman Ronan Rafferty shot a 2-under-par 69 Thursday to take a one-stroke lead at the halfway stage of the inaugural $350,000 Johnnie Walker Classic at the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club.

Rafferty had a 36-hole total of 136 - one stroke ahead of Ryder Cup teammate Ian Woosnam of Wales, who shot a 68.

Five players were grouped at 138, including American Todd Hamilton, Canadians Rick Gibsona and Richard Zokol and Scotland's Colin Montgomerie.

Pre-tournament favorite Nick Faldo of Britain moved back into contention with a 68, leaving him tied for ninth at 140.

Britain's David J. Russell, who shared the opening round lead with Rafferty, skied to a 78, which included a left-handed air shot when his ball was lodged against a tree.

The best round of the tournament was posted by Swede Anders Forsbrand, who shot 66, 10 shots better than his first-round effort.

Rafferty's round was made up of three birdies and one bogey.

''It was fairly dull,'' he said. ''I'm still a little rusty after three weeks off.''

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#90347u0725 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - Retailers are looking to healthy holiday shopping to reverse the Commerce Department's report Thursday that retail sales slipped 0.1 percent in November, the first decline in six months. Retail sales declined to $151.6 billion last month after gaining a revised 0.2 percent in October, the government said.

The sales decline was the first in six months, the government said. Excluding automobile sales, November's overall retail sales would have gained 0.2 percent.

Economists said the report shows some weakness in consumer buying patterns,

but is not yet troublesome enough to cast a pall over the lucrative holiday buying season.

"The world didn't end in November," said Robert Dieli, an economist at the Northern Trust Co. in Chicago. "Consumers apparently are still planning to have a Christmas."

Dieli said the forecast for the holiday season remains mixed. Fearing poor consumer confidence in the declining economy will keep shoppers away from stroes, retailers have engaged in prices wars to attract customers.

"From what I hear, sales traffic is pretty good. People are responding to promotions," Dieli said. "People are buying but not buying at prices that will allow merchandisers to make a profit.

November's sales were 3.4 percent above year-earlier sales and sales between September and November were 3.6 percent greater than during the same period last year, the government said.

Sales of durable goods, those big-ticket items designed to last three or more years, fell 1.4 percent in November. Non-durable goods sales increased 0.5 percent from October and 6.1 percent from year-earlier levels. Higher food and gasoline prices accounted for the increase.

Grocery sales increased 5.4 percent in November from year-earlier levels while sales at gasoline stations soared 21.6 percent during the same period. Gasoline stations reported sales of $11.9 billion in November, up from $11.8 billion in October.

The government's advance estimates show sales decreased slightly at general merchandise stores during November from October, but gained at apparel stores and restaurants.

Car dealers reported slightly lower sales during the past month as did sellers of building materials. Sales at car dealerships slid 1.4 percent last month from the month before but were 0.1 percent higher than year-earlier sales levels.

The sluggishness in the nation's construction industry continued to hammer sellers of building supplies, where sales were down 2.6 percent in November and 5.2 percent from year-earlier levels.

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#90347u0730 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (DEC. 13) UPI - Reflecting the recent market slump, trading volume on the Tokyo Stock Exchange this year is certain to hit a five-year low of an estimated 128 billion shares for a daily average of about 480 million shares,

the market said Thursday. The previous low of 118 billion shares for a daily average of 410 million shares was set in 1985.

The Tokyo Stock Exchange has been affected throughout 1990 by the yen's weakness against the dollar, higher interest rates and uncertainty of the U.S. economy in the future. The Gulf crisis added to the market slump.

The key Nikkei Stock Average of 225 selected issues fell nearly 48 percent from its high of 38,915.87 points last Dec. 29 to the year's low of 20,221.86 points Oct. 1. The market will go into its year-end and New Year recess after a half-day session Dec. 28.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits totaled a seasonally adjusted 471,000 for the week ending Dec. 1, an increase of 36,000 from a week earlier, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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#90347u0747 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - Retailers got some disappointing news Thursday when the Commerce Department reported that retail sales slipped 0.1 percent in November for a soft start to the holiday buying season. Retail sales declined to $151.6 billion last month after gaining a revised 0.2 percent in October, the government said.

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The government's advance estimates show sales decreased slightly at general merchandise stores during November from October, but gained at apparel stores and restaurants.

Car dealers reported slightly lower sales during the past month as did sellers of building materials. Sales at car dealerships slid 1.4 percent last month from the month before but were 0.1 percent higher than year-earlier sales levels.

The sluggishness in the nation's construction industry continued to hammer sellers of building supplies, where sales were down 2.6 percent in November and 5.2 percent from year-earlier levels.

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LONDON (DEC. 13) UPI - The government reported Thursday that unemployment in Britian rose for the eighth consecutive month in November, another sign analysts said that the long-expected British recession had arrived.

More than 57,000 people lost their jobs, the largest monthly increase in nine years, bringing the official number of unemployed to 1.7 million. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate climbed to 6.2 percent from six percent in October. The figures surprised many economists, who had predicted unemployment would grow by about 34,000, the October increase.

"It really does indicate the depth of the U.K. recession," said Albert Edwards an economist with Kleinwort Benson Group PLC, who predicted the jobless rate would top two million next year. "We're still on the slide down," Edwards said. "It's pretty grim."

The increase will add to pressure from the opposition Labor Party and British industry on the government to cut interest rates, which at 14.5 percent are the highest in the Group of Seven industrialized countries.

"It's very bad news indeed. I'm afraid it's proof positive that the recession is biting deep," John Smith, the Labor Party's economic spokesman, told the British Broadcasting Corp. "There's quite a bit of human misery in the train of this recession."

The figures are likely to raise questions about the government's course as the economy worsens, particularly in view of the tight monetary policy pursued by Prime Minister John Major when he was Chancellor of the Exchequer.

However, the current Chancellor, Norman Lamont, Wednesday ruled out an interest-rate cut until the pound strengthened in the European Exchange Rate Mechanism, which ties sterling to the values of other currencies within a narrow band. Lamont also rejected devaluation of the pound in the ERM, a move which would enable Britain to cut interest rates.

The pound has recently been trading at the lower end of its permitted range within the ERM. Britain is now confronted with a dilemma: the weakness of its domestic economy normally would call for lower interest rates, but lower interest rates would further weaken the pound by lowering its value against other European currencies.

Lamont told the Parliament Thursday he would give priority to maintaining the value of the pound "however strong the pressure (is) for lower interest rates based on other indicators."

Britain entered the ERM in October in the hope that the discipline of the semi-fixed exchange rate system would bring down its inflation rate, which is the third-highest of the 12-nation European Community.

Michael Howard, the employment secretary, said the unemployment figures needed to be put in context. Howard said Britain has one of the lowest unemployment rates in the European Community with half of the British workers laid off finding work within three months. He also said unemployment was rising throughout the industrialized world.

He urged employers and employees to "recognize the need for realism in pay negotiations." British wage unit costs are growing faster that its competitors in Japan, Germany, France, and the United States, he said.

Howard said Britain's entry into the ERM required British workers to accept lower wage hikes in order to bring down inflation and make Britain competitive with other countries.

"By entering the Exchange Rate Mechanism we have joined a club of lower inflation. The United Kingdom's inflation will come down but if the growth in earnings is slow to adapt to the new environment, more unemployment will be the consequence," Howard said. During the last decade, unemployment peaked in

July 1986 when more than 3.2 million people or 11.7 percent of the work force, were jobless.

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DECATUR, IL (DEC. 13) UPI - The Bridgestone-Firestone Inc. said Thursday its tire plant in Decatur will be shut down for three weeks in the next three months because of sluggish car sales, a move that will idle around 1,800 workers. Plant Manager John Boettner said most of the workers will go on unemployment for the weeks beginning Dec. 31, Feb. 4 and March 4.

Orders "have dropped off in the original equipment business in the next few months," Boettner said. "General Motors and Ford are idling their plants during the holidays. That, combined with our projections of after-market sales indicates a need to control our inventories. "Most of the companies in our industry have been doing the same thing during 1990," he said.

The Decatur plant had unexpected shutdowns this year in April and November. Boettner said no employees were laid off this time because the outlook for the second and third quarters of 1991 is more favorable. "We do not want to lose our work force," Boettner said.

Workers at the plant manufacture radial passenger and radial light truck tires. One of the central Illinois industrial city's largest employers, the plant has a weekly payroll of about $1.1 million and the average wage is about $16 an hour. Maintenance and shipping personnel will still be employed during the shutdown so the plant can make deliveries, Boettner said.

Another Decatur plant will have a two-week winter shutdown instead of the usual one-week closing for maintenance. Most of the 800 workers at Wagner Castings Co., a foundry business, will be affected by the shutdown but they will receive holiday pay for some of the days they will be idled. Slow auto sales are also blamed for the shutdown at Wagner Castings.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - Saddam Hussein implied today that he has NO intention of wavering before U-S military pressure. He ordered special civil defense exercises to begin January 15th, the U-N deadline for his troops to withdraw from Kuwait. Iraqi t-v has been telling people that the defense exercises are designed to ''prepare the Iraqi people for war.''

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Secretary of State Baker yesterday rejected suggestions that one- BILLION dollars in agriculture export credits to ease the Soviet food shortage came in

exchange for Moscow's support during the Persian Gulf crisis. The question irritated Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze , who noted that the United States and the Soviet Union were on the road to improved relations months before the gulf crisis.

Rescue efforts are under way in southeastern Sicily today after a strong earthquake shook the area. At seven people were killed and 30 injured. Rescue officials said the dead included five members of a family in their collpased home, and an 86-year-old woman and a former town mayor, who died of heart attacks. Officials say the number of dead could rise as the search continues for more victims of the quake.

News reports from Moscow say that troops were rushed to a troubled area of Soviet Georgia after ethnic clashes left at least three people dead and the republic's legislature imposed a state of emergency. An independent news service says one of three people shot to death was a bodyguard for the newly elected Georgian president.

Police say leading French anti-terrorist Judge Gilles Boulouque died today after firing a bullet into his mouth. Boulouque headed investigations into numerous terrorist cases, notably the wave of Iranian-sponsored bombings that hit Paris in 1986, killing 13 people and injuring 250 others. Associates said Boulouqe had been suffering from personal problems recently.

The prime ministers of North and South Korea met again today in the third round of talks intended to bring the two nations closer together. However, there was NO agreement as the third round of negotiations came to a close. The two leaders agreed to meet again February 25th in North Korea. Following today's meeting, a South Korean spokesman said ''There exists a wide chasm of distrust between the South and the North.''

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 13) UPI - Oliver Tambo, the exiled president of the African National Congress who guided the movement during its three decades outside the law, returned home triumphantly Thursday for the ANC's first congress since it was legalized.

The frail, 73-year-old Tambo stepped purposefully from the plane that flew him Lusaka, Zambia, smiling but still showing affects of a stroke he suffered in August 1989.

He embraced several ANC officials on the tarmac of Jan Smuts Airport, said he felt ''wonderful,'' then appeared with his deputy, Nelson Mandela, at the front of the airport before a hysterically cheering crowd of nearly 5,000 supporters.

From the second level-ramp overlooking the crowd, Tambo raised clenched fists and with a smile acknowledged chants of ''Long live Tambo'' and ''Long live ANC.''

Tambo did not speak to the crowd, but Mandela said he would address supporters at a rally Sunday in Soweto, the nation's largest black township.

''The day for which we have waited has come,'' Mandela told the throng over a megaphone. ''We and his comrades have fought for the right for him to be here today. We have won that fight. We welcome him with open arms as one of the greatest leaders of Africa.''

At least four people were bitten by police dogs earlier, ambulance officials said, when scores of officers forced the surging ANC supporters behind rope barricades.

The crowd had begun gathering from early in the morning, dancing and singing in parking lots and open concourses. By the time Tambo arrived, after a two-hour delay in his flight, supporters wearing the ANC colors of green, black and gold thronged the area in front of the main terminal.

Tambo's return from exile was hailed as another important marker in the country's racial reform process.

''As the year began, his friend and colleague Nelson Mandela was released,'' the Johannesburg Star said in an editorial. ''Now as it draws to a close, Oliver Tambo himself returns to the ANC's first congress since being unbanned. Progress is being made.''

The government has granted Tambo temporary immunity from prosecution, and he is expected to remain in the country for about three weeks.

The relationship between Tambo, the ANC's major voice while in exile in Lusaka and Mandela dates back to the late 1940s. In 1952, the two men opened the first black legal partnership in South Africa.

Increasingly active in ANC politics, Tambo left the country in 1954, staying away for two years, and again went into exile in 1960 shortly before the ANC was outlawed.

Tambo returned to address the ANC's three-day conference, which opens Friday. It is the first such meeting since President Frederik de Klerk re-legalized the movement in February as the first step of his reform program on South Africa's apartheid policy of racial separation.

Some 1,611 delegates are expected to develop the ANC's position on power-sharing negotiations with the government, as well as ANC policies, including its suspension of a 29-year limited guerrilla war against white rule

and post-apartheid constitutional guidelines.

With Tambo sidelined because of his stroke, Mandela has emerged as the central figure in the ANC. He has been named deputy president of the movement but for all practical purposes will be its most important figure.

There has been widespread speculation that Mandela will formally replace Tambo but an ANC spokesman in Lusaka, Tom Sebina, said Tambo would not relinquish the presidency, the black daily Sowetan reported Thursday.

''It is not true that Tambo is going leave the presidency as has been claimed '' said Sebina, noting that the ANC conference does not have the authority to implement leadership changes. A national congress empowered to change the leadership is not scheduled until June 1991.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 13) UPI - South Korean President Roh Tae Woo arrived in Moscow Thursday, the first South Korean head of state to visit the Soviet Union.

Roh, accompanied by his wife and a 15-person entourage that included Foreign Minister Choi Ho Jung, landed in the Soviet capital Thursday afternoon and had an evening meeting with President Mikhail Gorbachev.

''At my several summit meetings scheduled with President Gorbachev at the Kremlin, we intend to intensively discuss the ways our nations should work together to end the Cold War once and for all, and to achieve peace and unification on the Korean Peninsula,'' Roh said before leaving Seoul.

Gorbachev, with a fresh promise of U.S. aid, was expected to make a pitch for greatly expanded economic cooperation with South Korea. Roh said Monday that the bilateral $1 billion trade this year could reach $18 billion by the mid-1990s.

The South Korean ministers of trade and industry, and science and technology, were part of Roh's delegation, as were leading business representatives from Seoul.

Pravda, the official newspaper of the Soviet Communist Party, ran a full page of ads from the South Korean conglomerates Hyundai and Daewoo along with a greeting to Roh, who was to spend three days in the Soviet Union.

Roh told reporters in Seoul his trip would ''finally put an end to the separation between our two nations, which was punctuated by unfortunate occurrences, and usher in an era of good-neighborliness.''

The Soviet Union and South Korea had been adversaries since the end of World

War II, when Russian troops remained in the northern half of the Korean Peninsula in an occupation that led to its formal division into two rival countries.

Gorbachev and Roh had a sudden meeting in San Francisco six months ago and their governments announced Sept. 30 that they would establish diplomatic relations.

As Roh flew to Moscow, the prime ministers from South Korea and North Korea ended a third round of talks with no evident progress on ending the peninsula's 45-year split.

Roh, however, said improved Soviet-South Korean relations would help remove the artificial Korean partition at the 38th parallel.

''Forging a friendly and cooperative relationship with the Soviet Union has a direct bearing on peace and unification on the Korean Peninsula,'' he said.

The official Tass news agency said: ''The Soviet Union has always supported the Korean people's will for a peaceful reunification.''

Gorbachev and Roh were expected to sign agreements for increased trade and economic cooperation. Roh said in Seoul that his country would like to import natural gas, timber and coal from the Soviet Union as well as technological expertise in exchange for electrical appliances, cars and other consumer products.

Roh was scheduled to speak at Moscow State University, go sightseeing in the capital and also visit Leningrad, the country's second-largest city.

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HARRISBURG, PA. (DEC. 13) UPI - A federal judge Thursday refused to order the removal of four handmade crosses from the Christmas tree in the state Capitol rotunda.

U.S. District Judge William Caldwell rejected arguments that the crosses represent the establishment of Christianity as the state religion.

The American Civil Liberties Union, which filed the federal suit Wednesday, said it would seek a permanent injunction at a later date. The judge's order was not appealable, said ACLU Legal Director Stefan Presser.

''The courts have struck down public displays whose primary purpose is to promote one religious group at the expense of another,'' Caldwell said, reading from notes from the bench in the Federal Building in Harrisburg.

''The inclusion of a few small decorations symbolic of a religion does not convey support for Christianity,'' Caldwell said. ''I do not believe the Supreme Court requires that every trace of Christianity or some other religion be banished.''

Caldwell said he tried to view the tree but when he went to the Capitol late Wednesday the building was locked.

During arguments, Presser contended that any display of a religious symbol such as the cross could make a non-Christian feel excluded from society.

He said members of the ACLU have been so shocked by what they viewed as an establishment of religion that they changed their routes for walking through the Capitol to avoid the Christmas tree in the rotunda.

John Knoor, the lawyer for the state Department of General Services which erected and maintains the tree, ridiculed the ACLU's suit.

''I have never seen a case whose objective was so trivial and whose merits are so close to frivolous,'' Knoor said. He argued that the Supreme Court has barred Christmas displays whose total context conveys support for a religion, saying the rotunda tree does not meet that test.

The 24-foot-high fir tree is covered with ornaments made by senior citizens around the state. Among them are at least three crosses, the largest of which is about 8 inches high and located near the top of the tree.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 13) UPI - H&R Block Inc. said Thursday it has reached a definitive merger agreement to acquire temporary help company Interim Systems Corp. of Clifton, N.J., for $45 million in cash.

A Block subsidiary would offer $1.66 a share for Interim's common stock in a tender scheduled to begin next week. Under the agreement, all shares not purchased in the offer would be acquired in a subsequent merger transaction for the same cash price, Block said.

Interim Systems, a provider of clerical, light industrial, and health care personnel under the names Victor Temporary Services and Professional Nurses Bureau, would become part of Block's Personnel Pool of America subsidiary.

"We are pleased, through this very important strategic acquisition, to contribute to the long term growth of Personnel Pool of America, enabling it to strengthen its position as a leader in the temporary services industry," said Henry W. Bloch, Block's chairman and chief executive officer.

Personnel Pool Chairman Allan C. Sorensen said the merger allows Personnel Pool to increase its market presence and competitive position through a single acquisition.

Block said it also has reached an agreement with Interim Chairman and President Fred Sullivan, who owns 13.8 percent of Interim's common shares, to purchase his stock for $1.66 a share in cash.

The tax preparation company said the acquisition would have a minimal effect on earnings for the remainder of the fiscal year. In the year ended Dec. 31, 1989, Interim reported earnings of $4.6 million on revenues of $218.5 million.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - A delegation of seven Democratic senators, led by Democratic leader George Mitchell of Maine, left for a week-long visit to the Middle East Thursday to get a first-hand assessment of the diplomatic and military situation in the Persian Gulf.

Mitchell said the senators will meet with the heads of state and other top government officials in Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Israel as well as Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, commander in chief of U.S. Central Command, and other military leaders of American forces taking part in Operation Desert Shield in the gulf.

Besides Mitchell, the delegation includes Sens. Paul Simon, D-Ill., Bob Graham D-Fla., Charles Robb, D-Va., Richard Shelby, D-Ala., Richard Bryan, D-Nev., and Herb Kohl, D-Wis.

Mitchell said the senators hope to obtain ''a detailed briefing on the status of American forces in the region, and what may be - what may occur in the event of an outbreak of hostilities.''

''We also hope to receive from the officials of the three governments in the region, our allies, their assessment of the current situation, the possibility of a resolution of the crisis with compliance with the U.N. resolutions, and the prospect for achieving that by means other than resort to offensive military action, and other aspects of the situation,'' Mitchell said before leaving from Andrews Air Force Base near Washington, D.C.

Mitchell said he had consulted in recent days with a number of senators, including Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas Wednesday night.

''I hope to meet with Secretary of State (James) Baker upon my return from the Persian Gulf, as well as with other administration officials,'' Mitchell said.

Mitchell left open the possibility of Congress being called back into session before Jan. 22.

''I believe that the planned period of (congressional) recess between Jan. 4 and Jan. 22 must now be considered tentative, subject to change and likely to change depending upon events over the next several days,'' Mitchell said.

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RICHMOND, VA. (DEC. 13) UPI - Twelve hours before he was scheduled to be executed Thursday, Buddy Earl Justus said he had forgiven himself for raping and murdering a pregnant nurse.

Barring involvement from Gov. L. Douglas Wilder, Justus, 38, was set to be electrocuted at 11 p.m. for the Oct. 3, 1978, rape and murder of Ida Mae Moses a Montgomery County nurse who was more than 8 1/2 months pregnant.

Justus also was under death sentences in Florida and Georgia for a four-day crime spree in October 1978 that included the murders of Moses, a saleswoman in Tampa, Fla., and a housewife in Moun tain Park, Ga.

His lawyer says Justus suffers from brain damage but in an interview with Roanoke radio station WFIR, Justus accepted responsibility for the crimes, while citing his history of drug use and an abusive father.

''I was able to forgive myself. I'm at peace with myself. I'm ready to go to a better place,'' he said. ''In order to be forgiven, you've got to forgive others.

''I still take the responsibility solely for myself because I wasn't strong enough to turn away'' and avoid drugs and handle the child abuse, he said. ''I hold responsibility for my actions because I should have been strong enough to resist those drugs.''

He also said he was prepared to die in Virginia's electric chair though he opposes capital punishment.

''We are supposed to be a society that's supposed to be caring ... and that to continue capital punishment is taking steps backward. There's better ways to deal with it than to take lives.''

He said he tried to commit suicide at Mecklenburg Correctional Center several months ago because he felt no useful purpose any longer.

On Wednesday, attorney James Copacino said he persuaded Justus, who has refused to continue his appeal, to allow him to petition the governor for clemency. The petition is based on new tests that reveal the killer suffers from organic brain damage.

''It's a real outside shot,'' said Copacino, a Georgetown University law professor. ''A lot of people disagreed with my decision not to file anything in court on Buddy's behalf.''

Earlier this week, Wilder, who has refused to intervene in two previous executions this year, indicated he would allow the execution to proceed unless some startling new evidence emerged.

Copacino extended an invitation to Wilder to witness the execution at the State Penitentiary if he were to deny clemency, but the governor rejected it.

Justus, the oldest of seven children, was beaten repeatedly by his alcoholic father. At age 13, officials say he intentionally stole a pistol, bicycle and a truck so that welfare officials would remove him from his home.

Justus would be the 11th person executed in Virginia and the 143rd in the United States since the Supreme Court lifted a ban on capital punishment in 1976.

The execution is scheduled to be the last at the aging penitentiary in downtown Richmond. The prison will be closed at the end of the month and the electric chair moved to the newly constructed Greensville Correctional Center.

Justus, who planned to spend his final hours meeting with a handful of clergymen, ordered steak, French fries, salad, garlic bread and iced tea for his last meal.

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BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (DEC. 13) UPI - Albanian President Ramiz Alia reaffirmed his government's decision to allow independent political parties in the tiny Marxist-ruled Balkan nation, but warned that abuses of the new reform could lead to ''anarchy'' and ''incidents no one would desire.''

His comments appeared to indicate that there could be limits to the tolerance of opposition groups by the Albanian Party of Labor, which has ruled since 1945 what was the only orthodox communist enclave to survive the pro-democracy wave that swept Eastern Europe in 1989.

''Democracy and pluralism, be it ideological or political, should lead toward the peoples' national unity, not toward division,'' Alia told the nation Wednesday night in a television address, the text of which was carried Thursday by the official Albanian Telegraphic Agency.

Alia's speech came only hours after thousands of people rallied at Tirana's Enver Hoxha University for the founding meeting of the first opposition party permitted since the establishment of the Stalanist- style police state at the

end of World War II.

Organizers of the new Democratic Party, reached by telephone, said it plans to contest Feb. 10 elections for the national Parliament, called by Alia under a program of limited reforms that restricted participation to officially sanctioned groups.

In his address, Alia appeared to be launching the ruling party's re- election campaign. ''We are convinced that our people, cherishing the same beliefs until now, will stand united around the party to forge the country forward,'' he said.

''The party has already voiced its opinion that the creation of independent political organizations, certainly of those that observe the laws in force ... is to the benefit of the country's further democratization,'' Alia said.

Saying he had a ''preoccupation which I want to share with you, dear communist and non-communist brothers and sisters,'' Alia warned Albania's 3.2 million people that they should not misuse a right most have never known.

''Some people might seek to impose on the people their opinions and views without taking into account the general interests. If such stands and acts increase and expand, then the country threatens to be destabilized and cast into anarchy. Under such situations, there might occur incidents no one would desire,'' he said without elaborating.

''A political party should be evaluated neither from the slogans, nor from the hue and cry it raises about them, but from the sincerity of the aims, the justice of opinions, the respect for the people's aspiration,'' he said.

The decision to permit political pluralism was made Monday at a plenum of the central committee of the ruling Albanian Party of Labor after three days of student protests that were prompted by poor dormitory conditions but were used to vent demands for democracy.

The move was the most significant step taken by Alia since he launched his program of limited reforms, prompted by the collapse of authoritarian Marxist regimes across East Europe in 1989 and a need for Western aid to stem growing dissatisfaction over the country's dire economic conditions wrought by 45 years of self-imposed isolation.

The reforms have included a lifting of restrictions on foreign travel and religious practices, legalizing foreign investment and pledges to respect international human rights accord.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 13) UPI - Most of the Jerusalem Post's editorial staff walked out last week but the newspaper's strong-willed, controversial publisher pressed on with a core of journalists.

Israel's only English-language daily, once heavily relied upon by diplomats, journalists and tourists, emerged as a shadow of its former self during the first week of the labor dispute. With fewer pages than usual and more articles from news agencies instead of its own correspondents, The Jerusalem Post resembled a poor college-run newspaper.

''The decision I have as a publisher is whether to close the paper down, or rebuild it the way I want it to be, or to continue in a limited way as we have '' Levy said in his sparse office as dozens of striking journalists stood outside The Jerusalem Post.

Levy chose to fight on against the strikers and calls for an advertisers' boycott against The Jerusalem Post, founded in 1932 as The Palestine Post. He dismissed 30 journalists and argued a boycott would put the jobs of more than 300 workers, including unionized administrative and press workers, at risk.

The fight between management and the 90 editorial workers revolved around the issues of personal contracts and dismissal procedures. Underlying the dispute is whether the journalists' union at The Jerusalem Post will survive.

''I have nothing against unions. It's not a philosophy or an ideology that we have'' to do away with unions, said Levy, a retired military officer and former travel agent.

Levy said management spent ''the longest time and the hardest time'' on negotiations with the journalists' association during the past six months that led to an agreement Oct. 30 on dismissal procedures and other issues. But Levy cited several instances he said showed the union's lack of good faith.

Levy criticized the union's release of a list of proposed dismissals management provided it confidentially in accordance with the Oct. 30 memorandum. He also said the strike notice came ''out of the blue sky.''

For their part, journalists who walked out said they believed management's preference for personal contracts rather than union agreements would make the workers ''slaves.'' They criticized Levy's management style and said the publisher declined to negotiate with them after the walkout to try to find common ground.

''He's outlawing the union at the Post,'' reporter Larry Dufner told colleagues a day after the walkout as they stood in front of The Jerusalem Post building. ''He's saying there can be no union at the Post.''

The strike capped a series of labor-management disputes since Levy came to his

post after the Toronto-based Hollinger Inc., owned by leading Canadian businessman Conrad Black, bought the newspaper in June 1989 for about $17 million. The Canadian consortium owns more than 200 newspapers in North America and England, including London's ultra-conservative Daily Telegraph.

At that time, journalists at the left-leaning Israeli newspaper feared the new owners would move The Jerusalem Post more to the right. The newspaper had been owned in part by Israel's Histadrut union federation-affiliated Koor Industries Inc., which relieved its mounting financial burders by selling off numerous assets.

The first major dispute at The Jerusalem Post after the sale erupted along more political lines. Jerusalem Post journalists complained of Levy's lack of journalistic experience and his decision to leave out an editorial from the newspaper's international edition because it promoted press freedoms and defended the newspaper against complaints by Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

Levy's only brush with journalism before the Post came during Israel's invasion of Lebanon when he was an army spokesman.

The newspaper's editor of nearly 14 years announced his resignation in late December 1989. By early January, The Jerusalem Post ordered several key editors and top journalists to leave the newspaper's offices a day after they asked to be ''released form their employment,'' complaining of editorial interference.

They were given 30 minutes to clear out their desks.

After the Dec. 3 walkout by The Jerusalem Post editorial staff, most journalists believed the newpaper would not publish the next day's edition. They were wrong.

Levy, with a handful of editors, came out with an eight-page edition and a small note on the front page apologizing to readers for the ''shortcomings in today's issue caused by a staff walkout.'' In addition to nearly 30 journalists who had been scheduled to be laid off, management sent dismissal notices to 30 others, most actively involved in the union.

The letters said in part the journalists were dismissed because they were ''a factor causing work interruption and serious damage to the newspaper and its future.'' They were given 30 days notice.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 13) UPI - A popular Soviet television journalist known for his aggressive reporting on crime was shot and wounded in Leningrad, reports said Thursday.

Alexander Nevzorov, anchorman of the daily ''Six Hundred Seconds'' news program from Leningrad, was shot around midnight in the Soviet Union's second-largest city, Soviet television said.

Soviet television said that Nevzorov was shot in his left forearm, but the independent news agency Interfax said he suffered a chest wound. Both sources said he was in satisfactory condition at the Leningrad Military Medical Academy.

Interfax said Nevzorov, one of the country's first independent journalists under President Mikhail Gorbachev's glasnot reforms, was refusing to comment on the incident.

Nevzorov received a phone call late Wednesday after his evening broadcast, and the caller promised to give him important documents if the journalist came alone to a remote part of Leningrad, the reports said.

Nevzorov went to the meeting site with two associates but agreed to talk with the stranger alone.

''When the stranger took him aside, there was the sound of a shot,'' Soviet television said.

Nevzorov became an overnight sensation several years ago when he created ''Six Hundred Seconds'' and went on the air as its main announcer, wearing his trademark leather jacket His fast-paced news broadcasts were marked by a clock ticking off 10 minutes behind him.

The program, carried on Leningrad's main channel and received in Moscow and throughout much of the western part of the Soviet Union, has earned Nevzorov legions of fans for his bold reporting on crime and corruption.

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Usual				
DeSoto Inc	Q	.10	1-25	1-4
Enron Oil & Gas	Q	.05	1-31	1-15
Fidility Natl Finl	Q	.12	2-6	1-22
Gibson (CR) Co	Q	.04	1-31	1-4
Heinz (HJ) Co	Q	.24	1-10	12-26
Lincoln Telecommun	Q	.18 1/2	1-10	12-31
Michigan Natl Corp	Q	.50	1-15	1-2
Nicor Inc	Q	.53	2-1	12-31

Petrolite Corp	Q	.28	1-25	1-4
Rogers Corp	Q	.03	2-15	1-15
So New Eng Telecom	Q	.44	1-15	12-24
Super Food Svcs	Q	.08 1/2	3-15	2-19
Super Valu Stores	Q	.16 1/2	3-15	3-1

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - For the first time, the Pentagon has activated an emergency civilian blood collection program to prepare for fighting in the Persian Gulf, blood bank officials said Thursday.

The American Red Cross and American Association of Blood Banks received notification from the Pentagon to activate an emergency blood supply contract called the Armed Services Blood Program, officials said.

Beginning Monday, each association has been asked to begin sending 375 units of blood to the McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey each week and were told to prepare to supply a minimum of 800 units of blood per day if fighting breaks out, officials said. A unit equals about one pint of blood.

The military usually collects most of the blood it needs for transfusions from military personnel, but faces the possibility of shortages because so many troops have been sent to Saudi Arabia for Operation Desert Shield, officials said.

''The problem is they just deployed a lot of troops and are implementing this contract to cover themselves - to make sure their needs are met,'' said Marcia Lane of the American Association of Blood Banks, which operates 2,400 blood centers nationwide.

''They have had some planning ongoing and they have determined how much blood they need at this point and how much they will need if hostility breaks out, she said.

Although the military has had an agreement with civilian blood centers to supply blood in emergencies since World War II, the plan has never before been invoked, even during the Vietnam War, officials said.

''This is unusual because the military didn't need to ask us for it during Vietnam. My guess is Vietnam was a long, drawn out, low-level conflict whereas if conflict does occur in the gulf it will be much more intense and therefore require much more blood at once to treat the wounded soldiers,'' said Elizabeth Hall of the American Red Cross.

The United States has sent some 400,000 troops to Saudi Arabia as part of the

Operation Desert Shield, which was sparked by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. The United Nations has authorized the use of force against Iraq Jan. 15 if Saddam Hussein does not pull all of his troops out of Kuwait.

In addition to compensating for the lack of military donors, the activation of the contract is aimed at making sure any problems with the system are worked out before blood is needed urgently for wounded soldiers, officials said.

''It's sort of a preparedness measure for both the Red Cross and military to ensure smooth shipment if needed,'' Hall said. ''Just in case they need us they want to make sure the system is working to get it to them.''

The request for 375 units of blood weekly will not put a strain on the civilian blood collection system and neither association plans to call for more donations immediately, officials said.

But Lane noted that donations typically drop off during the holiday season and urged Americans to continue to donate. However, if the need escalates to 800 units of blood per day or more, extra measures would be needed.

Currently the Red Cross collects about 4.2 million units of blood per year, which represents about half the nation's blood supply.

''I think the patriotic response of people in this country for the need for blood in the gulf would be tremendous and they only problem would be maintaining that at levels that would be needed for a long period of time,'' Hall said.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 13) UPI - Oliver Reginald Tambo, the president of the African National Congress who returned to South Africa from 30 years in exile Thursday, welded the ANC into the country's foremost anti-apartheid organization and kept it together through its darkest days.

The scholarly and soft-spoken Tambo, 73, is ailing from the affects of a stroke and lacks the charisma of his deputy, Nelson Mandela. But from bases abroad Tambo held the ANC together through three decades when Pretoria knew it only as a terrorist group.

The ANC need no longer hide and Friday begins its first internal congress since Tambo went abroad. Despite having suffered a stroke in August 1989, Tambo is expected to address the congress and appear at a rally Sunday and ANC officials stress he will be more than just a figurehead.

Tambo was forced to flee South Africa in 1960, the year the ANC was banned for plotting to undermine white minority rule. Through pragmatism and

coalition-building, he kept the movement united in exile.

Even when finances were shot, when activists at home and abroad weredemoralized and the Pretoria government was heading off international pressure to end apartheid, Tambo was hopeful.

''At least politically, the ANC is yet a force - it may be ill- managed, poorly directed and badly led - but still a force,'' Tambo said in 1975.

When President Frederik de Klerk legalized the ANC at the launch of his racial reforms in February and released Mandela from more than 27 years in prison, Tambo was almost forgotten in the euphoria.

But it was Tambo who did most of the work abroad that made Mandela the world's most celebrated political prisoner.

Mandela himself said just one day after his release, ''I am a disciplined member of the ANC ... I am a disciplined follower of Comrade Oliver Tambo.''

In 1952, the two young lawyers opened the first black legal partnership in South Africa.

Since then, Mandela and other ANC officials have firmly respected Tambo's astuteness as a leader and Tambo consolidated his power in 1967 on being elected acting president of the ANC.

He had long insisted that the government make the initial concessions before the ANC would agreee to preliminary talks on ending apartheid.

Tambo emphasized in 1987 that the movement would abandon its guerrilla war against white rule, begun in 1961, only if Pretoria's actions merited such a course.

''If the key to negotiations were in our hands, we would long have used it to open the door,'' he said. ''Such measures as have been proposed for us to adopt, namely the cessation or suspension of our armed struggle ... will do nothing to bring about negotiations.''

In August, after de Klerk promised to accelerate his reforms, Mandela announced the ANC had suspended its armed struggle.

Tambo, periodically hospitalized since his stroke, did not want to return to South Africa too soon and give the government premature credit for reforms.

''But he is ready to come back now ... enough has been done to warrant it,'' an ANC spokesman said this week. Tambo has not returned permanently, ''but this can be regarded as the end of his exile,'' the spokesman said.

Born to a peasant family in the Eastern Cape Province village of Bizana on Oct. 27, 1917, Tambo lived much of his pre-exile adult life in the Transvaal township of Wattville and had expressed a desire to go back there.

''The accommodations available there are, unfortunately, no longer suitable,'' the spokesman said. ''It must be understood, Mr. Tambo is now our president.''

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(DEC. 13) UPI - A State Department spokeswoman in Washington said late last night that Iraq has so far failed to propose a date for a visit to Baghdad by Secretary of State Baker. The United States rejected Iraq's first offer of a meeting between Saddam and Baker on January 12th, saying it was too close to the Janfuary 15th U-N deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait.

Energy executives attending a meeting in Houston believe that a peaceful Iraqi withdrawl from Kuwait is the most likely outcome of the Persian Gulf crisis. A survey conducted at the Arthur Andersen and Company oil and gas symposium shows that 53 percent of the executives attending the conference believe NO military action will be needed to get Iraq out of Kuwait. 29 percent predict Iraq will be removed from Kuwait by military action... and five percent believe Iraq will retain its captured territory.

Federal investigators are working today to determine the cause of a massive wreck in Tennessee that smashed more than 80 vehicles, killed 13 people and injuring about 50 on a fog-choked stretch of interstate highway. Area hospitals, which admitted about 50 injured victims Tuesday, report that about 20 still are hospitalized in serious or critical condition.

Oliver Tambo, the exiled president of the African National Congress, returned to South Africa today to attend the A-N-C's first congress since the government lifted a ban against it. The 73-year-old Tambo stepped from a plane from Lusaka, smiling but still showing the affects of a stroke he suffered last year. He embraced a number of A-N-C officials on the airport tarmac as several thousand supporters waited at the airport entrance to greet him.

In Bangladesh today, three former government ministers suspected of corruption during the reign of ousted President Hussein Mohammed Ershad were arrested. Police continue to search for at least eight other officials wanted for alleged abuse of power. The arrests came one day after police and army troops detained Ershad, his wife, and his eight-year-old son.

The 12 European Community leaders begin a two-day summit in Rome today to launch historic steps toward a common currency and joint foreign policy for post-Cold War Europe. The summit culminates with the start Saturday of twin constitutional conventions, one on economic and monetary union and the other on political union. Formal summit business begins tomorrow morning.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 13) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Thursday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 84-87; large 80-86; medium 72-78.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - higher.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 92-94; large 89- 92 and mediums 80-83.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - The Treasury Department said Thursday it has settled a year-old lawsuit filed by Capital Cities/ABC Inc. regarding royalty payments to Cuba in connection with the braodcast of the 1991 Pan American Games.

Terms of the settlement allow ABC Sports to make limited payments to Cuba for goods and services provided by Cuban nationals during the broadcast of the games next year.

Such payments have been prohibited under a comprehensive U.S. economic embargo against Cuba.

The government said ABC's proposal for live coverage of the games included an indirect royalty payment of $6.5 million to Cuba for the exclusive U.S. broadcasting rights.

The Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control had rejected ABC's application

to broadcast the games because of the proposed royalty payment.

ABC sued the government last December, asserting that a 1988 amendment to the Trading with the Enemy Act, which prohibited the President from regulating imports of various informational materials, also prohibited the regulation of international telecommunications transactions.

In June, a federal judge ruled that telecommunications transactions were not covered by the amendment. The judge also ruled that the government's denial of ABC's application to broadcast the games did not violate the network's First Amendment rights.

The network appealed that ruling in July and settlement discussions began shortly thereafter, the government said.

The Treasury said the settlement agreement is similar to the terms offered originally to ABC Sports last summer.

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HERRIN, ILL. (DEC. 13) UPI - The collapse of an abandoned mine shaft damaged houses and forced city officials to drain a water tank as a precautionary measure in an area recently targeted by earthquake predictions, officials confirmed Thursday.

A collapse at Franklin County Coal Co. Mine No. 3, in a shaft abandoned early this century, severely damaged three homes Wednesday, said Bob Gibson, a spokesman for the state mine subsidence office. The homes were removed from their foundations Thursday in a bid to save their superstructures.

The collapse occurred about 120 feet below the ground and affected an area 300 feet in diameter. The surface dropped 3 to 3 1/2 feet, Gibson said.

''These are not engineer-designed tunnels,'' Gibson said. ''These are natural materials that simply fatigue and give way. There's no known triggering mechanism.''

The subsidence occurred in an area near the New Madrid Fault where New Mexico climatologist Iben Browning predicted a 50-50 chance of an earthquake occurring last week. No quake occurred.

''It didn't have anything at all to do with the New Madrid Fault but I guess Mr. Browning can take credit for it,'' Herrin City Water Department Superintendent Terry McEvers said.

McEvers ordered workers to drain the community's 750,000-gallon water tower, which is next to the three damaged homes, as a precaution.

McEvers said workers have determined the water tower is stable and city officials plan to put it back in service as soon as possible.

''The water tower is outside the affected area,'' Gibson said. ''For it to become in jeopardy a different area would have to fail.''

''We're completely picking up houses and put them on beams. We let damage take place to foundation. We're going to capture the three homes in jeopardy and save them. That removes the hazard,'' Gibson said.

Maxine Smith said she first noticed something was wrong with her house, built in 1962, when she returned from Christmas shopping.

''When I got out of the car, I noticed a crack in the concrete (driveway),'' she said. ''Then I saw the concrete walls separating from the garage floor.

''Then I got inside and heard the house popping.''

Abandoned mineshafts honeycomb some 750,000 acres of subterranean Southern Illinois and parts of central Illinois. Gibson said filling in the shafts to prevent subsidence would cost ''something approaching the national debt.''

''It's much easier to treat symptoms as they occur,'' Gibson said. ''It's a tragedy. But from a larger perspective it's not that significant.''

Mine subsidence was one of the concerns during the recent earthquake scare. Gibson said he could not estimate how many incidents of subsidence occur annually.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - R.H. Macy & Co. Thursday received government approval for its largest shareholder to increase its stake in the company, marking the completion of federal clearance for a $100 million equity offering by the retailer.

The Federal Trade Commission waived any antitrust concerns associated with GE Capital Corp. contributing to the offering, as it did earlier for three other major shareholders who have agreed to raise their stake in the company.

The $100 million is part of a previously announced $150 million equity offering, which Macy's has said will be used to pay off debt. The company aims to raise the other $50 million through a shareholder rights offering.

Macy's previously announced that FTC clearance of two other investments had achieved the minimum $70 million required for the offering.

The other investors involved in the offering are Loews Corp., Taubman Investment Co. and Mutual Series Fund. A spokesman for Macy's declined to put a value on the contributions of the individual investors.

The FTC said in a statement that it cleared the GE Capital investment by early termination of a waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act. That law requires investors to notify the FTC if they intend to acquire at least 15 percent of a company's outstanding shares, or stock or assets valued at a minimum of $15 million.

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PITTSBURGH (DEC. 13) UPI - A national survey released Thursday found a majority of U.S. manufacturers believe the nation's economy is in a recession, although 75 percent of respondents predict their 1991 profits will equal or exceed current levels.

Grant Thornton of Pittsburgh conducted telephone interviews last week with 250 manufacturers with annual sales between $10 million and $500 million.

Sixty-seven percent said a recession had arrived; 22 percent said the country is not in a recession but will enter one in 1991; 8 percent said a recession will not occur in the next 12 months; and 3 percent said they didn't know or refused to answer the question. The survey had a margin of error of plus or minus 6 percent.

Despite feelings about the overall economy, only one in four said they expect their 1991 profits to decline. More than one-third expect profits to stay the same and four out of 10 - 40 percent - said they expect profits to increase next year.

''In response to more than a year's warning of a possible recession, many manufacturers took appropriate steps to prepare for a slowdown,'' said Charles Collins, a Grant Thornton partner. ''These measures will keep profit levels steady, if not improve them.''

Many wary manufacturers have buffered their companies from a recession's negative effects by reducing inventories and receivables, making cost-effective investments and implementing programs Collins described as generating ''very high or short-term payback.''

The Grant Thornton survey found 46 percent of the manufacturers feel inflation will stay about the same. But 39 percent said it likely will increase. Only 13 percent believe inflation will decrease.

''A lot of concern about inflation results from a general uncertainty

regarding the Iraqi crisis and how it will affect the price of oil and related derivatives - gasoline, naming one - in the next year,'' Collins said.

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EFFINGHAM, Ill. (DEC. 13) UPI - Officials at Fedders Air Conditioning USA's plant in Effingham, Ill., said they will recall about 500 of the 1,000 workers who were laid off in the last six months.

The company had 1,300 employees in July but layoffs pared the firm down to 300. Company officials blamed the cuts on cool summer temperatures that reduced sales nationwide.

Human resources manager Roger Huttes said Wednesday production of 1991 model room air conditioners will resume Jan. 7, a move that will require more employees.

Huttes said the recalls would begin next week.

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ABBOTT PARK, Ill. (DEC. 13) UPI - Abbott Laboratories Thursday announced a new, quick test to diagnose strep throat infections that takes just six minutes instead of standard testing that can take two days.

While rapid strep testing has been available in doctors' offices for several years, Abbott said the accuracy of the TestPack Plus Strep A test is comparable to the ''gold standard'' of strep testing - a specialized type of culture that could take as long as two days to complete.

''Most strep throat infections are mild and can be readily treated by antibiotics if diagnosed at an early stage,'' said Dr. Stanford Shulman, head of the Infectious Diseases Division at Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago and a pediatrics professor at Northwestern University.

Doctors say the quick testing is more essential now since the Centers for Disease Control recently reported a resurgence of acute rheumatic fever, which results when strep infections are untreated. Rheumatic fever usually affects children between the ages of 5 and 15.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS. (DEC. 13) UPI - The chief editor of the Dead Sea Scrolls, ancient Old Testament texts discovered in 1947, has been removed for describing Judaism as ''a horrible religion'' and a ''Christian heresy.''

John Strugnell, a professor in the Harvard Divinity School, was relieved of his supervisory duties on the project not only because of poor health but because of views expressed Nov. 9 in the Tel Aviv newspaper, Haaretz, The Boston Globe said Thursday.

Strugnell, 60, who is in an unidentified hospital, said in the interview that he was not against the Jewish people, just their religion.

Asked what ''annoyed'' him about Judaism, he said in the interview: ''It's the subsistence of the group, of Jews, of the Jewish religion. It's a horrible religion. It's a Christian heresy.''

''I believe that the answer for Islam, and Buddhism, and all other religions is to become Christian. Judaism disturbs me in a different sense, because, whereas the others became Christians when we worked hard on them, the Jews stuck to an anti-Christian position.''

Mark Edwards, the acting dean of the Harvard Divinity School, said in a statement Wednesday: ''I find the statements ascribed to Professor Strugnell personally repugnant, and Harvard Divinity School in now way shares his views.''

However, the school said Strugnell will remain on the project deciphering the ancient texts of the Old Testament.

The leadership of the project will be taken over by three remaining editors headed by Emanuel Tov of Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

Hershel Shanks, editor of the Biblical Archaeology Review, which is publishing an account of the Haaretz interview, told the Globe that ''anyone whose views are anti-Semitic and so violently anti-Israel should not be working on these Jewish cultural treasures. When he touches them, he stains them.''

The scrolls are the property of the Israeli government. The Israeli Antiquities Authority has set a 1997 deadline for finishing the translations.

Strugnell previously had been accused of an unreasonable delay in publication of the scrolls that were found in caves at Qumran on the dead Sea in 1947.

Parts of the early texts of the Old Testament have been dated at 250 B.C. and A.D. 68 and are considered important keys to the evolution of the Bible.

A colleague on the project, Eugene Ulrich, a Notre Dame University researcher, said he knew Trugnell had a pro-Arab position on modern Middle East politics, but ''never heard him say any of the things about Judaism that he was quoted as saying. It didn't sound like the man I have known for 20 years.''

Students and colleagues blamed Strugnell's statements on his poor health, the Globe said.

University of Chicago Professor Norman Golb said Thursday he hopes Strugnell's removal will opens the door to full scholarly study of the ancient manuscripts.

Golb charged Strugnell denied access to the scrolls to scholars who differed with his view of their content and signficance.

Golb said he and other scholars have been denied access to the scrolls because their finding could prove the manuscripts show early Christianity was far removed from mainstream Judaism during the period in which they were written, about 200 B.C. to A.D. 50.

''I've published 50 articles and several books on Hebrew manuscripts and Strugnell, who has yet to publish his assigned portion of the scrolls, denies me access,'' Golb said.

The scrolls, a collection of parchment and papyrus texts, provide the earliest handwritten link to the age of Jesus. They are housed primarily in the Rockefeller Museum and the Shrine of the Book in Jerusalem.

Strugnell was in charge of the Rockefeller material, considered the more significant information.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - The egg-laying queen ant at the National Zoo was accidentally decapitated by worker ants but her loyal subjects are still tending to her as if she were alive.

The worker ants - all daughters of the queen - lopped off the queen's head apparently by mistake while trying to squeeze her through a small hole in their nest, said Ed Smith, the man who cares for the leaf- cutting tropical insects housed in the zoo's glass-fronted display case.

''The ant's head and four of her legs were removed in an effort to get the queen from her chambers to a better location,'' Smith said Thursday.

The mishap occurred a few days ago but the worker ants still are administering to the queen, whose headless body hangs suspended from the ceiling of the royal chamber.

''It's not time to mourn yet,'' Smith said. ''It's still early for the colony. As far as the ants are concerned, the queen is still there.''

But in a widening royal mystery, the queen's head is missing.

''I don't know where it is but I'm sure the ants are taking good care of it,'' Smith said.

The future of the ant colony is now in question. Without the queen, the working ants will lose a sense of purpose.

''We are going to keep them and watch,'' Smith said.

The colony now consists only of sterile worker ants.

''Male ants are only associated with the queen during mating done in the air '' Smith said. ''After the mating occurred, she would fly back to the ground and chew off her wings. Her remaining life would be spent under the ground. She would continue to lay eggs up to 15 years after the last sexual act. In a small colony like this, she would give birth only to females.''

Smith said that ants survive through taste and smell, which explains why they are still tending to the queen.

''It seems that her odor remains,'' he said. ''When you chop the head off of an insect, it can still breathe through the abdomen. This ant is missing only her head. The bulk of the body goes on functioning for a while. But she is going to rot away in the next few days.

''It's been a week. But as of today, they are still looking after the remaining portions of the body with the same keen interest they have always shown.''

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OTTAWA (DEC. 13) UPI - Canada's Supreme Court ruled Thursday that laws prohibiting hate messages outweigh the guarantees of free speech contained in the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

The Supreme Court, in a narrow 4-3 ruling, upheld the 1985 conviction of James Keegstra, a teacher from Eckville, Alberta, who taught his students that Jews were ''treacherous, subversive, sadistic, money- loving, power-hungry and child killers.'' Keegstra also taught that the Jews created the Holocaust ''to gain sympathy'' and were ''secretive and inherently evil.''

Students who did not reflect his teachings on exams were given low marks.

Keegstra was dismissed in 1982 after complaints from the mother of one student and charged two years later with promoting hatred.

Essentially, the Supreme Court ruled that combatting hate propaganda is more

important than freedom of expression.

The Charter of Rights and Freedoms guarantees free speech, but says it is subject to ''reasonable limits'' that can be justified in a free and democratic society. The Criminal Code provides for up to two years' imprisonment for anyone convicted of making public statements that ''willfully promote hatred against any identifiable group'' unless they can prove the statements are accurate.

Former Chief Justice Brian Dickson, in one of his last written opinions before his retirement two months ago, said the Criminal Code restricts free speech but the restriction is justified because hate propaganda contributes nothing to a vibrant democracy or the search for truth.

He said hate propaganda in Canada is ''sufficiently substantial'' to cause concern and had resulted in grave psychological and social damage.

Dickson also said it was necessary to take a different position from the United States where free speech is paramount. He said Canada differs from the United States in recognizing an international commitment to eliminate hate propaganda and the nation's specific commitment to equality and multiculturalism.

''If values fundamental to the Canadian conception of a free and democratic society suggest an approach that denies hate propaganda the highest degree of constitutional protection, it is this approach which must be employed,'' he said.

David Bercuson, professor of history at the University of Calgary in Alberta, said the ruling would give rise to more prosecutions against white supremacists and those who knowingly spread hate literature.

But Bercuson predicted that within 10 years the court would shift to greater protection of individual rights rather than protection of the community.

Dissenting justices argued that guarantees of free speech protect any non-violent form of expression, no matter how offensive, and should not be confined to statements that have ''redeeming value'' or are consistent with accepted values.

They also said the law violates an accused's presumption of innocence because it requires him to prove his statements were true.

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ARLINGTON, VA. (DEC. 13) UPI - Irish President Mary Robinson, Boston Herald sportswriter Lisa Olson and comedian Nora Dunn are among 13 winners of the

Feminist Majority Foundation's first Feminist of the Year Awards, the organization announced Thursday.

Foundation president Eleanor Smeal said the awards, which will be given annually, are intended to honor those who ''risked their jobs, made personal sacrifices or used their high-ranking position for women's equality over the past year,'' as well as to encourage people to actively support feminist causes.

Robinson, who last month became the first female elected president of Ireland, was selected by the foundation for ''having the courage to run as a feminist and showing the world it pays off,'' Smeal said.

Olson, who covered the New England Patriots for the Herald until she was sexually harassed by several players, was selected for ''having the courage to speak out against sexual harassment in the male-dominated locker room, Smeal said.

Dunn, a regular cast member of NBC's ''Saturday Night Live,'' was chosen because of her refusal to participate in a broadcast in which comedian Andrew Dice Clay was guest host.

Women's rights groups have accused Clay of making anti-female remarks during his comedy routines.

Smeal said the awards reflect ''the incredible outburst of spontaneous grassroots feminist action taken in 1990.

''The awards are a special recognition for people who took bold action to raise feminist issues,'' Smeal said. ''Four award winners jeopardized their jobs, several challenged violence against women, and many more demonstrated tremendous courage, creativity and conviction in publicly standing up for women.''

Other award recipients are:

-ABC news correspondent and anchor Carole Simpson, for speaking out for better opportunities for women and minorities in the media.

-Harvard Law School Professor Derrick Bell, for refusing to teach classes at the law school until a woman of color is hired as a tenured professor.

-University of Iowa Medical School Professor Jean Jew, for suing the medical school for ''ignoring repeated sexual and racial harassment.''

-Saudi Arabian women protestors, ''for having the courage to undertake an unprecedented protest against the law restricting women from driving in Saudi Arabia.

-Ms. magazine editor Robin Morgan, for ''taking the helm at Ms. magazine and giving feminist everywhere an advertising-free journal of their own.''

-Des Moines Register Editor Geneva Overholser and rape victim Nancy Ziegenmeyer, for ''taking a bold editorial position to eliminate the stigma of rape by revealing the survivor's name if granted permission.''

-Texas Gov.-Elect Ann Richards, for ''standing up for feminist issues throughout a grueling campaign.''

-Los Angeles City Councilwoman Gloria Molina, for leading the fight to pass a resolution requiring ''gender balance'' in mayoral appointments in that city.

-Southwest Missouri State University student Traci Bauer, for suing the university for the right to have campus crime statistics published.

-Brown University student protesters, for protesting violence against woman and ''taking creative action'' by writing the names of alleged rapists on school bathroom walls and demanding better administrative reponse to rape victims.

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ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (DEC. 13) UPI - The United States and Pakistan held talks Thursday on U.S. fears that Islamabad is developing nuclear weapons, an issue that has cooled relations between the two allies and led Washington to suspend aid to the South Asian nation.

A brief government statement said Foreign Minister Yaqub Khan and U. S. Ambassador Robert Oakley held a two-hour ''discussion on the nuclear issue.''

''Oakley .. undertook to convey the Pakistan government's views to Washington '' it said. ''It is expected the discussions would proceed after the U.S. government has given its considered views on Pakistan's position.'' The statement said ''both sides affirmed their desire to maintain the traditional mutually beneficiaL relationship.''

It gave no further details, but Foreign Secretary Sheharyar Khan said Wednesday that Pakistan would ''reaffirm our position, which is that Pakistan's nuclear program is not weapons-oriented.'' But he said the ''results of non-certification and the cutoff of U.S. aid on a long-term basis are bound to affect our relations.''

A U.S. Embassy spokesman said the meeting was part of an ''ongoing dialogue'' on the nuclear issue.

Washington suspended aid to Pakistan on Oct. 1 because President Bush was unable to certify to Congress that Islamabad was not developing nuclear weapons.

Pakistan is the third largest recipient of U.S. assistance after Israel and Egypt and had been expecting $538 million from the Washington next year as part of a $4.02 billion military and economic aid package.

The 6-week-old government of Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif has so far refused to accept Washington's terms for a resumption of the aid and has defiantly called for economic self-reliance.

Pakistan is suspected of pushing ahead with a nuclear weapons program after the flare-up in January of a dispute with arch rival India over the Kashmir region, which is claimed by both countries. India exploded a nuclear device in 1974.

Pakistan's strategic value to Washington diminished sharply with the Soviet withdrawal from neighboring Afghanistan last year and the end of the Cold War. The United States supports the Pakistan-based Islamic guerrillas fighting the communist regime in Kabul since 1978.

Thursday's talks coincided with the arrival in Islamabad of Assistant Secretary of Defense Henry Rowen for a 4-day visit. The embassy spokesman said the official would hold high-level discussions on ''the military assistance program and the overall regional situation,'' but said the nuclear issue was ''not the focus of the visit.''

Rowen's arrival followed a 4-day trip to Pakistan last week by Assistant Secretary of State Teresita Schaffer for talks on a variety of issues, including nuclear weapons.

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TORONTO (DEC. 13) UPI - A majority of Canadians are no longer in favor of the two-year-old free-trade agreement between Canada and the United States, according to a Gallup poll released Thursday.

Results showed 52 percent of those questioned said they were not in favor of the trade agreement in a November poll of 1,033 adults across the country.

Another 31 percent said they supported the deal, while the remaining 17 percent expressed no opinion.

The poll of 1,033 adults from across the country conducted Nov. 7-10 is the first to indicate a majority against the bilateral trade deal.

The results come at a time when Canada's economy is in recession and the number of unemployed workers in increasing. Many economists forecast the country's unemployment rate, currently at 9.1 percent, will top 10 percent in 1991.

Labor leaders and opposition parties blame the trade deal for layoffs caused by plant closings and the shifting of production to the United States and Mexico.

The trade deal recently has become the target of renewed criticism after the Canadian government opted to discuss the possibility of a participating in talks on a North American trading zone with the United States and Mexico.

Among Canada's five geographical regions, the poll indicated that the French-speaking province of Quebec was the only one where more people, 40 percent, voiced support for the agreement than opposed it.

Some observers say Quebecers support free trade with the United States because they believe it will give the province the economic strength it needs to secede from Canada.

In Ontario, the country's manufacturing core, 62 percent of the poll's respondents were against the deal, with 26 percent in favor and 12 percent having no opinion.

The latest poll indicates a change in attitudes when compared to results of a similar poll taken in December 1988, a month before the Canada-U.S. trade deal took effect. The 1988 poll showed that 44 percent of Canadians favored the deal, 38 percent were against it and 19 percent had no opinion.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 13) UPI - A former deputy military commander of Israeli forces in the Gaza Strip was convicted Thursday in the 1989 death of a 16-year-old Palestinian, military sources said.

Col. Ya'acov Sadeh was in charge of dispersing rioters after Palestinians stoned a military bus July 31, 1989, near the Bureij refugee camp in the Gaza Strip, Army Radio reported. Sadeh fired a plastic bullet toward Mohammad Saraj after he identified the 16-year-old as a riot leader, the radio reported.

Saraj could only been seen from the waist up when Sadeh fired and hit him in the neck. Israeli army firing procedures prohibit firing plastic bullets toward rioters above the waist.

A military court Thursday found Sadeh guilty of causing Saraj's death by negligence, military sources said. Sentencing is scheduled for January but

Sadeh appealed his conviction.

During the past week, the military has cracked down on Palestinian stone-throwers in the Israeli-occupied territories and military sources said Israeli soldiers had wounded seven Palestinians who attacked vehicles with stones.

''All were hit by the special Israeli Defense Force units while in the midst of throwing rocks at vehicles'' traveling in the West Bank, one military source said.

In the latest crackdown on the movement of Palestinians from the occupied territories, the military issued special green identification cards to three senior Arab union leaders Wednesday and Thursday, Palestinian sources said. The special cards forbid their holders from entering Israel and Arab East Jerusalem.

Thousands of the special cards have been issued to Palestinians in the past two weeks, the sources said. The crackdown comes amid fears of escalating violence between Arabs and Israelis after Israeli police killed at least 17 Palestinians Oct. 8 on the Temple Mount.

The Interior Ministry also has issued an order forbidding Palestinian intellectual Sari Nusseibeh, an East Jerusalem resident, from going abroad, Army Radio reported.

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TORONTO (DEC. 13) UPI - A majority of Canadians no longer favor the 2-year-old free-trade agreement between Canada and the United States, according to a Gallup poll released Thursday.

Results showed 52 percent of those questioned opposed the trade agreement in a November poll of 1,033 adults across the country. Another 31 percent said they supported it and the remaining 17 percent expressed no opinion.

The poll conducted Nov. 7-10 is the first to indicate a majority against the bilateral trade deal.

The results come as Canada's economy is in recession and the number of unemployed is increasing. Many economists forecast the country's unemployment rate, currently at 9.1 percent, will top 10 percent in 1991.

Labor leaders and opposition parties blame the trade deal for layoffs caused by plant closings and the shifting of production to the United States and Mexico.

The trade deal recently became the target of renewed criticism after the Canadian government opted to discuss the possibility of participating in talks on a North American trading zone with the United States and Mexico.

Among Canada's five geographical regions, the poll indicated the French-speaking province of Quebec was the only one where more people, 40 percent, voiced support for the agreement than opposed it.

Some observers say Quebecers support free trade with the United States because they believe it will give the province the economic strength it needs to secede from Canada.

In Ontario, the country's manufacturing core, 62 percent were against the deal 26 percent in favor and 12 percent having no opinion.

The latest poll indicates a change in attitude compared to results of a similar poll in December 1988, a month before the Canada-U.S. trade deal took effect. The 1988 poll showed that 44 percent of Canadians favored the deal, 38 percent were against it and 19 percent had no opinion.

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LONDON (DEC. 13) UPI - Stock prices closed higher Thursday on the London International Stock Exchange as investors refused to let layoffs in the financial district or a speech by the Treasury's top official dampen enthusiam.

Stocks also gained slightly in Frankfurt and Paris.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which slipped 8.9 points Wednesday, gained 15.3 points to 2,172.2. The narrower top 30 industrial average added 12.7 points to 1,704.9.

Volume amounted to around 480 million shares compared with 504 million shares changing hands Wednesday.

Analysts said the market seemed to have settled into a pre-Christmas lull as trading continued light amid dashed hopes of an early cut in Britain's base lending rates and gloomy prospects on the scope of the current recession.

Chancellor of the Exchquer Norman Lamont warned late Wednesday that interest rates would not be cut until the British pound strengthened within the European Exchange Rate Mechanism. His speech doused hopes for a cut before Christmas.

Lamont also ruled out a devaluation of the pound within the ERM and said the economy should pick up in the spring, but added there was ''no guarantee of that.''

Analysts also noted Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the investment firm, announcement that it was cutting positions in its British equities staff, failed to dampen enthusiam.

Meanwhile on the local economic front, Britain's Employment Department reported unemployment in the United Kingdom rose to a seasonally adjusted 6.2 percent of the work force in November from 6.0 percent in October and from 5.8 percent in November 1989.

The number of unemployed persons increased by 57,000 in November from October, analysts had been expecting an increase of about 34,000.

Market watchers said the report ''accentuated the market's cautious sentiment.''

In a seperate report, the government agency reported Britain's underlying annual rate of increase in average earnings was unchanged at 10 percent in October from September. The September rate was revised down from 10.25 percent.The October rates was slightly below market forecasts, which predicted an underlying rate of 10.25 percent.

On the trading floor, Next PLC, the clothing store, recovered late in trading from a early mauling, which sent the shares down nearly half their value amid rumors of financial problems.

Next plummented 5 cents to around 25 cents a share after an optimistic statement from the company.

In the textile industry, Coats Viyella fell 32 cents to $1.85 after the textiles group announced its pretax profits for the year may be at the low end of market expectations.

In Frankfurt, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange closed slightly higher in subdued trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which jumped 24.56 points Wednesday, added 0.56 points to 1,517.80.

In Paris, the CAC General Index gained 1.68 points to 442.88 with banks and autos leading the market slightly higher in slow trading.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - What Arab radio stations are calling ''the last hostage plane'' has left occupied Kuwait for Baghdad with five U-S diplomats aboard on a flight that eventually ends in Frankfurt, Germany. The report from Baghdad

Radio was monitored in Cairo. And the departure of the diplomats leaves the U-S Embassy in Kuwait City empty for the first time since Iraqi tanks rolled into the city four months ago. Britain is now the last Western country with diplomats in Kuwait, and they will leave this weekend after making sure that NO Britons who want to leave are left in Kuwait.

Federal investigators are looking at excessive speed as a possible cause of yesterday's train derailment in Boston that sent 264 people to nearby hospitals for treatment. 10 people remain hospitalized in serious condition following an accident one offical called a scene ''right out of hell.'' There are reports that Amtrak's ''Night Owl'' from Washington was traveling 70 to 75 miles an hour in a 30-mile-an-hour zone when it derailed at a sharp curve and skidded into a commuter train in Boston's underground Back Bay station.

The Commerce Department says retail sales slipped an estimated one- tenth of one percent in November... the first decline in five months. The report says the slippage followed a gain of two-tenths of one percent in October. And, excluding automobile sales, the November figure would have gained two-tenths of one percent. Sales of durable goods- items built to last three years or more- fell one-point-four percent in November.

Rescue workers in southeastern Sicily now report at least eight deaths in the earthquake that hit early today. They say another four elderly people died of heart attack suffered in the tremor, and about 200 people were treated at one hospital for shock and injuries suffered mainly when they attempted to flee their homes. Authorities say about 500 people were left homeless by quake.

A new poll of British political attitudes shows that the opposition Labor Party has closed most of the gap that once stood between it and the ruling Conservative Party. The poll is the first taken since Prime Minister John Major took office two weeks ago, replacing Margaret Thatcher. And it shows the Conservatives lead the Labor Party by just two percent, down from 11 percent when Thatcher was in control.

Francis Albert Sinatra celebrated his 75th birthday anniversary last night by doing what he does best... singing on a stage, alone in the spotlight. The entertainer known affectionately as ''Ol' Blue Eyes'' performed a Diamond Jubilee Concert at the Byrne Arena at the Meadowlands complex in New Jersey... just a few miles from Hoboken, where Sinatra was born on December 12th, 1915.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 13) UPI - Auto accident rates have declined, but personal injury claims have increased sharply, largely due to increasing involvement of lawyers, the Insurance Research Council reported Thursday.

"We're seeing real improvements in car safety and a reduction in actual auto

accidents, but we're not getting the safety dividend because the changes in claim behavior are gobbling up the savings," said Donald Segraves, executive director of the nonprofit group, which is funded by the insurance industry.

Segraves Thursday released a study showing the number of personal injury claims paid for every 100 property damage claims increased dramatically between 1980 and 1989 - particularly in California, Arizona, Louisiana and South Carolina and in certain urban areas, most notably in Philadelphia, Los Angeles, and Chicago.

"When we look at claim files in states and cities with high injury claim frequencies, we don't find any larger numbers of serious injuries than in areas with low claim frequencies," Segraves said.

"What we see are more people with attorneys, and more people reporting neck and back sprains - so many more that these cases now account for nearly half of all the auto insurance dollars paid for highway injuries," he said.

Asked if the nature of the injuries - which are the easiest to feign - indicates an increase in exaggerated or fake claims, Segraves told United Press International, "I think you'd have to come to that conclusion, because there's no othe rational explanation of it." "You either have to conclude that people in California have more tender necks or that they're making claims people don't make in other places," he said.

The study, entitled "Trends in Auto Bodily Injury Claims," found that the ratio of injury claims to property damage claims has increased to around 30 to 100 nationwide - up 30 percent since 1980.

California, which has more lawyers than any other state - in fact, more than any country ourside the United States - had the highest injury-to-property damage claim ratio: 55.7 per 100, an increase of 79.1 percent over 1980. Arizona ranked second, at 42.9 per 100, followed closely by Louisiana and 42.7 South Carolina at 41.4.

Among cities, Philadelphia had the highest ration - with an average of 75 injury claims awarded per 100 property damage accidents for the 1985-87 period. Los Angeles ranked second at 60.6, and Chicago third at 52.1.

"It's interesting that there's a perfect corolation between areas where you've got consumer activism and moves to limit insurance rates and the areas where you're seeing these increasing injury claims," Segraves said, noting moves to legislate auto insurance limits in all California, Arizona, Louisiana, and South Carolina.

"Their insurance rates are being inflated by these excessive claims," Segraves said. He said lawyers seek to build up claims by sending clients to doctors and chiropractors.

"People may not start out, intentionally, to fake a claim, but when they go to a lawyer, the lawyer tries to build up a claim. He sends them to doctors and chiropractors, telling them he just wants to make sure they're OK. But that builds up the medical bill," Segraves said. As a result, medical expenses for claims in which a lawyuer is involved average about $5,000 higher than those settled without a lawyer.

"For every $1 in actual medical expenses, on average, the claimant will get an additional $2 in pain and suffering, and lawyers want to build up that claim," he said.

And, he noted, an earlier study by the Insurance Research Council showed the number of cases in which lawyers are involved inceased 42 percent between 1977 and 1987.

He suggested a 1977 Supreme Court decision barring restrictions on advertising by lawyers contributed to the proliferation of lawyer involvement in personal injury cases.

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. (DEC. 13) UPI - Paroled child killer Arthur Shawcross was found guilty Thursday of murdering 10 Rochester area women during a two- year spree that gripped the city in fear.

The jury deliberated 6 1/2 hours before convicting Shawcross on 10 counts of second-degree murder. Defense attorney Thomas Cocuzzi said he would appeal.

The 45-year-old Shawcross faces sentences totaling 250 years for murdering the 10 women between March 1988 and January 1990.

He is expected to stand trial on an 11th murder charge in neighboring Wayne County.

Most of the 11 dead women were prostitutes.

''All these girls, regardless of what they were or who they were, deserve a little satisfaction. I know Maria can rest peacefully now,'' said Jim Miller, boyfriend of victim Maria Welch.

Shawcross stared straight ahead and showed no emotion as the jury foreman read the verdict.

Shawcross had confessed to the crimes in written and videotaped statements, but defense lawyers tried to convince the jury during the 11-week trial that Shawcross was insane and not responsible for his actions.

A key defense witness said he suffered from multiple personalities, child abuse and post-traumatic stress sydrome after a military stint in the Vietname War.

In his confession, Shawcross said he killed mostly out of anger. He said he killed one prostitute because she made fun of his sexual prowess, another because she broke the gearshift on his wife's car and a third because she told him she knew who he was and was going to tell police.

According to his statements, while police were looking for the women's murderer in late 1989 and early 1990, Shawcross calmly discussed the case with police at a local doughnut shop.

Shawcross committed the crimes after being paroled from state prison in 1987 where he had served 14 years on a manslaughter charge for the death of a Watertown child.

After his release, public pressure forced him to move out of both Binghamton and a rural Catskills town. Parole officials then resettled him in the Rochester area where he married and was employed as a salad maker at a local food service firm.

''I was just glad (the conviction) was murder not manslaughter. They should have done that 15 years ago, '' said Welch's mother, Liz Mignary.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 13) UPI - A top Soviet official welcomed the U.S. decision to waive restrictions on credit guarantees Thursday and said the move would help the Soviet Union cope with its current economic crisis and improve overall trade relations.

President Bush said Wednesday he would waive the 1974 Jackson-Vanik act, which barred preferential credits to the Soviet Union until emigration restrictions on Jews were eliminated. The move woul allow the United States to provide up to $1 billion in agriculture export credits to help the Soviet Union through ''tough times.''

Deputy Soviet Premier Lev Voronin, who is coordinating the international relief effort that is pouring food and other supplies into the Soviet Union to help alleviate shortages, said Thursday he welcomed the prospect of increased U.S. help.

''We have a very good opinion of this action,'' Voronin told a news conference called to discuss the relief effort. ''It will also promote our trade cooperation, and we hope that additional help ... will be provided to us.''

Voronin said 2,500 tons of relief supplies, mostly food and medicines, already have been delivered to the Soviet Union since President Mikhail Gorbachev appealed to the West for help at the November European summit in Paris.

Private U.S. organizations already have sent 93 tons of supplies, but Voronin said the official government help from Washington would be welcome.

A U.S. official said in Washington that the aid package for the Soviet Union was the largest ever offered any country. Under the program, the United States will guarantee payments of up to $1 billion for Soviet purchases of wheat, feed grains, oilseeds, vegetable oil, livestock, dairy products and other farm produce.

Voronin said before Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze left for talks with U.S. officials this week he was told ''of the products that would be appreciated if they come from the United States to the Soviet Union as humanitarian aid,'' but he declined to give specifics.

He also said ''concrete measures were taken'' to ensure that foreign aid does not get waylaid by the same distribution problems and corruption that led to the Soviet shortages in a year of record harvests in the country, but again he gave few specifics.

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EVANSTON, Ill. (DEC. 13) UPI - The job outlook for 1991 college graduates is about the same as a year earlier, but graduates will be expected to know more about computers and less about drugs than last year's job seekers, according to a Northwestern University report released Thursday.

While the overall business outlook is ''not optimistic'' - with 61 percent of 320 companies surveyed expecting stagnation or decline in 1991 - there are some bright spots, said Victor R. Lindquist, author of the 45th-annual Lindquist-Endicott Report.

He cited concerns over recession, the federal budget deficit and the Persian Gulf crisis as contributing factors to ''tentativeness'' in employment plans.

''The economy will be one of mixed fortune, posing awesome problems for management in developing strategies to cope with uncertainties,'' Lindquist said.

A majority of firms expect business to be the same or to decline, but 39 percent believe business will improve.

Forty percent will increase hiring of graduates at both the bachelor's and

master's degree levels, but 42 percent say they will hire fewer people with bachelor's degrees and 37 percent will trim hiring of those with advanced degrees, the report found.

Graduates most in demand are engineers with master's degrees, who will find demand for their services up 25 percent, with not enough job seekers to fill all the available jobs in some fields.

Average starting salaries will be up 4 percent over a year earlier, trailing the inflation rate for the second straight year.

Lindquist said there is a ''continuing need for college students to obtain computer skills, reflected in the importance recruiters place on the ability to use the personal computer for analysis and other functions. The demand for this competency continues to grow faster than anyone has projected'' and the skill will be used throughout most careers.

Sixty-seven of firms hiring graduates next year will be doing drug testing, Lindquist found.

''The cost of screening, when weighed against the toll of having a poor employee on the payroll and the expenditures involved with termination, mandate qualifying everyone before the employment offer,'' he said.

The Northwestern report, which has become a fixture in the economic forecasting industry since its inauguration in 1945, surveyed medium-to- large business and industrial firms nationwide as well as smaller companies representing regional areas or specialized industry groups.

Employer groups surveyed included banking, finance and insurance, chemicals, drugs and rubber, electrical and electronics, merchandising and services, public utilities and other industries.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 13) UPI - With the beginning of winter just one week away, federal health experts reported an increase Thursday in flu-like illnesses, with 13 states listing cases of the contagious disease.

Nationwide, 775 deaths attributed to influenza and pneumonia were reported for the week ending Dec. 8, which is below the epidemic threshold, the nationalCenters for Disease Control said.

However, CDC officials said there were indications that flu or other flu-like infections might be more widespread than the figures reported by state health departments.

The CDC's survey of selected family doctors from 42 states showed 3.5 percent to 3.7 percent of recent patient visits were for evaluation of flu-like illnesses. That percentage, although significant, is still below epidemic levels, the CDC said.

The 13 states, plus the District of Columbia, reporting sporadic cases of flu-like illnesses were: Alabama, Hawaii, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Rhode Island, Texas, Vermont and West Virginia.

Flu cases typically begin to increase dramatically in middle or late December and peak in late February or March.

Last year, the United States experienced its worst flu epidemic in five years. At least 10,000 deaths have been documented in each of 19 U. S. epidemics between 1957-1986. In each of three of those epidemics the death toll exceeded 40,000. Up to 90 percent of flu deaths occur among people over age 65.

With the flu season apparently just getting started, the CDC urged all people over age 65 and those with chronic diseases to get flu immunizations, saying the shots ''still remain the best way'' of avoiding the infection.

The CDC said all three strains of influenza are circulating in the United States. The trivalent vaccine currently available at doctors' office and public health centers protects against all three varieties.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 13) UPI - Retail sales of farm tractors and self-propelled combines increased during November.

The Equipment Manufacturers Institute said Thursday sales of two- and four-wheel-drive tractors were up 31.8 percent last month from November 1989.Sales of self-propelled combines were up 25.7 percent.

Through the first 11 months of the year, farm tractor sales were only slightly higher than during the comparable 1989 period, while combine sales were up more than 15 percent.

The institute is the national trade association and coordinator for the monthly survey and provides varied services to manufacturers.

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LONDON (DEC. 13) UPI - Amid increasing signs of an economic downturn, the Conservative Party's lead over the opposition Labor Party has slipped 9

percent since Prime Minister John Major took office two weeks ago, according to a poll released Thursday.

The Conservatives' lead over Labor, running at 11 percent in the days after Major replaced Margaret Thatcher Nov. 28, dropped to 2 percent, according to a poll conducted at the end of last week by ICM for the London daily The Guardian.

Although the polls showed a drop, the Tories' level of support is still much higher than a month ago before the struggle for party leadership, which led to the ouster of Thatcher. An ICM poll taken during the first week of November had Labor leading the Conservatives 49 percent to 43 percent.

In the poll published Thursday, the Tories received 45 percent to Labor's 43 percent, with the Liberal Democrats getting 9 percent and the Greens environmentist party 2 percent.

The poll came amid signs of a worsening economy. The Department of Employment announced Thursday that unemployment in Britain rose for the eighth month in November to 6.2 percent, up 0.2 percent from the previous month and the largest increase in nine years.

Chancellor Norman Lamont, head of the British Treasury, told Parliament Wednesday that the economy was experiencing ''a marked slowdown'' and indicated that the government would not ease its tight fiscal policies by cutting interest rates.

Despite the gloomy economic indications, The Guardian poll showed the Conservative Party enjoyed increased confidence among voters regarding its competence to handle the economy and the nation's education and health programs. Asked which party is better qualified to run the economy, 47 percent choose the Tories while 25 percent supported Labor, The Guardian reported.

Regarding the leadership abilities of the two major parties, 86 percent of the Conservative Party members polled said they believed Major and Lamont could manage the economy best while 59 percent of Labor voters backed party Chairman Neil Kinnock and John Smith, Labor's economic spokesman.

ICM interviewed 1,376 adults on Friday and Saturday for the poll.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 13) UPI - Bobby Ross, who in four years molded a ragtag 2-9 Georgia Tech squad into the nation's only unbeaten major college team, Thursday was named Coach of the Year by United Press International.

''I think that this is symbolic of the effort of a lot of people affiliated

with our coaching staff, our players and the people who surround us at Georgia Tech who have given so much effort and support to our program,'' Ross said. ''It's an honor that I will greatly cherish and is something I am greatly honored to receive.''

The No. 2 Yellow Jackets, unbeaten since a loss to Duke Oct. 28, 1989, compiled a 10-0-1 record in 1990. The only blemish was a 13-13 tie at North Carolina.

Georgia Tech won its first Atlantic Coast Conference title this year and its first conference title of any sort since 1952, before the school left the Southeastern Conference. That earned Ross the ACC Coach of the Year award.

The Yellow Jackets are headed for a New Year's Day showdown against Nebraska in the Citrus Bowl, a matchup that could have national title implications if No. 6 Notre Dame knocks off No. 1 Colorado in the Orange Bowl.

Ross began his head coaching career at The Citadel, but it was at Maryland he began to draw notice. Between 1982 and 1986, the Terrapins went 39-19-1, won three ACC championships and went to four bowls. In his first year at Maryland, Ross was named ACC Coach of the Year.

Ross's dedication to academics attracted Georgia Tech Athletic Director Homer Rice.

''I think this a great message when someone like Bobby Ross is selected as Coach of the Year,'' Rice said. ''He represents what college athletics is all about - the total person dedicated to giving their best on the field and in the classroom. We're just elated he would receive this sort of award.

''I like to describe Bobby Ross as a tunnel. He keeps his focus. He's more than a football coach. He's so concerned about every student- athlete going to class and being the best they can. It's heartening to see that rewarded.''

Under Ross, Georgia Tech has been cited by the College Football Association for its high graduation rate - in the top 12 for four straight years. Last winter, the team posted an overall 2.5 grade-point average and placed 11 players on the dean's list.

At first, Ross's teams struggled. Georgia Tech went 2-9 in 1987 and 3-8 the following season. However, the Yellow Jackets improved to 7-4 in 1989, winning seven of their last eight games. Five of Ross's players were named all-ACC, quarterback Shawn Jones was ACC Rookie of the Year and running back Jerry Mays earned honorable mention All-America.

''I think (Coach Ross) definitely deserves it,'' Jones said of the UPI award. ''He put so much hard work into our program during his first couple of years here. Things were tough. He could have easily quit then. But I think it's a

credit to him that he didn't. He just worked on through the hard times. I can't think of anyone more deserving to be Coach of the Year.''

This season, free safety Ken Swilling was named All-American and five players received honorable mention, among them offensive lineman Joe Siffri.

''I'm ecstatic,'' Siffri said. ''He's not just a good coach on the field, he's also a good developer of men. And it's not just by what he teaches us, but also by following his example.''

To a man, the Yellow Jackets agreed their success was a testament to Ross, both in his aggressive approach to football and to life off the field.

''I think it's important to make things happen, not to wait for them to happen '' Ross said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - Yields for 52-week T-bills fell to 6.58 percent at Thursday's monthly auction, the lowest since 6.57 percent on April 7, 1988, the Treasury Department said.

The government said it sold $11.77 billion worth of the bills, and that the average investment rate was 7.02 percent at an average price of $9,334.70. At the last auction Nov. 12, the bills yielded 6.81 percent.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - A survey of young Americans aged 16 to 24 shows a conservative bent, with most in favor of random drug testing, the death penalty and keeping marijuana illegal, a Gallup poll reported Thursday.

Thirty-one percent of those questioned said they were in favor of reinstating the draft during the Persian Gulf crisis, and 24 percent said they would be willing to serve in the Middle East if needed.

In the telephone survey of 1,003 young people around the country commissioned by Fuji Photo Film U.S.A., Inc., 49 percent described themselves as conservative, while 39 percent said they were liberal.

Questioned about the death penalty, 77 percent said they were in favor of it, with an identical 77 percent saying they were in favor of random drug testing.

Seventy-eight percent said they wanted marijuana to remain illegal.

Asked about biggest problems facing youth today, 58 percent said drugs, with

illiteracy, the environment, AIDS, pregnancy and abortion, and family problems each named by 5 percent or less.

Sixty-four percent said they were in favor of warning labels about lyrics on recorded music.

Seventy percent said they believe the world was a better place during their parents' youth, and 56 percent think the world will be a worse place for their children to live in.

However, 73 percent said they believe the quality of education today is better than their parents received.

Who do they most admire in the world? ''Mom'' got the most votes, with 11 percent. ''Dad'' got 8 percent. In politics, Bush won with 23 percent. Donald Trump is champ in business with 24 percent.

They average 24 hours a week listening to music, 14 hours watching television or videotapes, seven hours reading and three hours at volunteer work.

Thirty-nine percent picked pop-rock as their favorite music, with rap and heavy metal tying with 10 percent apiece, and country music getting 8 percent.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - The five remaining U.S. diplomats left occupied Kuwait en route to freedom Thursday aboard a U.S.-chartered Iraqi jetliner, leaving the U.S. Embassy in the emirate unmanned for the first time since Iraqi tanks rolled into Kuwait four months ago, Baghdad Radio reported.

Meanwhile, Iraq ordered special civil defense exercises to begin the day its troops must be out of Kuwait, Algeria's leader took his mediation mission to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze flew to Turkey for talks expected to focus on the Persian Gulf crisis.

The flight carrying 94 people, including the five U.S. diplomats, among them Ambassador Nathaniel Howell, arrived in Frankfurt, Germany, Thursday evening after a stop in Baghdad.

The evacuation of the Americans leaves the British Embassy the only mission in Kuwait still staffed. British officials will stay until the weekend to make sure there are no more Britons who wanted to leave the occupied emirate.

The British and U.S. Embassies were among dozens of missions in Kuwait to challenge an Iraqi order to close and move to Baghdad after Saddam annexed the the tiny oil-rich emirate, which it invaded Aug. 2.

Iraq cut electricity and water to foreign embassies still operating and prevented them from stocking up with food, forcing diplomats to eat rice and canned fish and to boil drinking water from swimming pools.

British and U.S. officials in the Middle East have said their missions now will be temporarily closed until the restoration of the legitimate Kuwaiti government and the end of the Iraqi occupation.

In another development, the official Iraq news agency INA, said Saddam's government was angry over U.S. allegations that it was trying to stall high-level U.S.-Iraqi meetings aimed at settling the crisis peacefully.

The United States has rejected Iraq's first offer of a Jan. 12 meeting between Saddam and Baker on Jan. 12, saying it was too close to the U.N.-imposed deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

''Iraq will not accept any date imposed on it by the United States,'' INA quoted an Iraqi Foreign Ministry spokesman as saying. ''Iraq alone will fix a date for the talks.''

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz also is expected to hold a similar meeting with Bush in Washington, but a date for that also has not been set.

State-owned Iraqi television, meanwhile, said special civil defense exercises will begin Jan. 15, the U.N. deadline for Saddam to withdraw his forces from Kuwait or face a possible military confrontation with the U.S.-led multinational force arrayed against him.

The broadcast said the exercises were designed to ''prepare the Iraqi people for war and train them in how to cope with chemical weapons, explosions, air raids, fires and the evacuation of cities.''

It showed Iraqis how to use gas masks in case of poison gas attack, although the equipment has not yet been distributed. The television warned Iraqis to be prepared for any eventuality, including bombing raids and even a nuclear strike.

The broadcast, monitored in Amman, Jordan, was seen as a further display of resolve by Saddam, who a day earlier replaced his aging defense minister, Gen. Abdul Jabar Shanshal, with the younger Gen. Saadi Toamma Abbas, a hero of the eight-year Iran-Iraq war.

Algerian President Chadli Benjedid, one of the few Arab leaders still on speaking terms with both Saddam and the Saudi Arabian leadership, held the second and final round of meetings Thursday with the Iraqi president in a continuing peace effort. He then flew to Tehran, Iran, Cairo radio said.

Benjedid is known for his successful mediation efforts, including the release of U.S. hostages in Iran in 1980 and the release of the hostages aboard a Kuwaiti plane hijacked by Shiite Moslem fundamentalists in 1988.

Iran and Sudan issued a joint call Thursday for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. Both countries have been critical of the invasion, but have more strongly condemned the U.S.-led military force in the Gulf.

Shevardnadze, meanwhile, flew to Ankara, Turkey, for meetings with President Turgut Ozal after three days of talks in the United States. Turkey, a non-Arab Moslem nation, is the only member of NATO to border both Iraq and the Soviet Union. Shevardnadze's talks were expected to focus on the Gulf crisis.

After President Bush met Wednesday with Shevardnadze in Washington, Baker rejected suggestions that $1 billion in U.S. agriculture export credits to ease the Soviet food shortage was a reward for Moscow's support during the Persian Gulf crisis.

"You shouldn't consider any of the steps taken today to be payoff or a payback for the cooperation that we've seen on the gulf crisis,'' the secretary of state said. ''We see that cooperation across a broad range of issues.''

The question irritated Shevardnadze, who pointedly noted that the United States and the Soviet Union were on the road to improved relations months before the gulf crisis.

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DALLAS (DEC. 13) UPI - Mesa L.P., led by Texas oilman T. Boone Pickens Jr., plans to raise about $600 million of new debt through a private placement as part of its effort to reduce about $1 billion of bank debt maturing in the next five to six years.

Sidney Tassin, spokesman for the limited partnership, said the company will issue new debt securities with maturities of 15 to 20 years. The instruments will be secured by Mesa's natural gas properties in the Hugoton field in Kansas. Salomon Brothers Inc. will handle the transaction.

Because of the nature of the transaction and the collateral being used to secure it, Tassin said Mesa expects to get high ratings for the securities and a fixed rate of interest. If successful, the placement will be completed by early next year.

Of the remaining bank debt, Mesa will repay another $351.5 million from the sale of some of its properties and leasehold acreage to Seagull Energy Corp. of Houston. A definitive agreement on the proposed sale was announced last week.

"This is not a restructuring of our bank debt," said Tassin. "We are absolutely current on our debt. What we are doing is two transactions." He explained the Seagull transaction is a repayment of a portion of the bank debt while the private debt issue will help refinance another portion of the bank debt.

Longer maturities on the new debt will "significantly strengthen" Mesa'sbalance sheet and "better match the long-life nature of the oil and gas reserves," Tassin said. Part of the existing bank debt resulted from the purchase of properties from Tenneco Inc. for $715 million in 1988.

Mesa continues to be plagued by lower natural gas prices and, as a result, has not been able to meet its $1.50 distribution to have been paid to holders of its preferred units. In the first nine months of 1989, Mesa had lost $72.4 million.

Separately, Mesa has a public debt of $600 million, resulting from two public bond issues of $300 million each. The first one, paying an interest rate of 12 percent, is due in 1996, while the second 13.5 percent issue is due in 1999. Offsetting part of that is $250 million of cash and securities held by the company, Tassin said.

In the transaction with Seagull, the Houston company must present its financing commitments by Friday or either party can terminate it, Tassin said. Seagull hopes to raise the money through a bank loan and a public offering of common stock.

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ROCKVILLE, MD. (DEC. 13) UPI - The 4-year-old girl who underwent the first official attempt at human gene therapy three months ago is doing well and the historic procedure has produced encouraging early results, government scientists said Thursday.

The Ohio girl, afflicted by a rare, inherited immune system defect, has suffered no serious side effects from three monthly gene therapy sessions, Dr. W. French Anderson of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute told a government advisory panel.

It may take up to a year to see if the therapy fully reconstitutes the child's immune defenses. However, Anderson said he was ''cautiously optimistic'' the ground-breaking treatment would succeed.

''The patient is doing very well. Preliminary data is encouraging. We haven't done extensive evaluation, but nothing has happened that has made us unhappy '' said Anderson's co-worker, Dr. Michael Blaese. The only infection the girl

has developed since September is one cold, he added.

Preliminary tests show the child's genetically corrected cells are producing a vital missing enzyme for up to three weeks after each treatment, and there are also indications that the altered cells are encouraging the growth of other beneficial immune cells, they said.

For the first time in her life, the child has a normal level of white blood cells called T cells, which are crucial for the immune system to fight off infections, Anderson told the Food and Drug Administration panel. The researchers said they plan to start similar gene therapy tests in another child next month.

Every person has about 100,000 genes which contain the blueprint for everything from eye color to disease risk. Gene therapy involves inserting genes with correct information into cells with defective genes, or putting in new genes that carry instructions for production of disease-fighting substances.

Although Anderson's work focuses on a rare disease, researchers around the world are watching the results carefully because they hope the approach could be used to treat everything from heart disease to AIDS.

The proposal underwent more than three years of review to address concerns that such experiments could lead to ethically questionable attempts at genetic engineering.

''Only time will tell if this approach is going to be useful. It is certainly an exciting time for us all,'' Blaese said.

Last month, a team headed by Dr. Steven Rosenberg of the National Cancer Institute received FDA approval to begin the first efforts to use gene therapy to treat cancer.

Rosenberg, who was not at the meeting because he was attending the funeral of philanthropist Armand Hammer, expects to treat the first patient suffering from a deadly form of skin cancer called melanoma in about three weeks, Anderson said.

Under the plan, Rosenberg will insert a gene that carries instructions for the production of tumor necrosis factor - a substance that has dramatically shrunk tumors in mice - into tumor-fighting immune cells removed from cancer patients. The genetically altered cells will be multiplied in the test tube and then returned to the patients' bodies.

The girl treated by Anderson's team Sept. 14 suffers from an immune disorder caused by a defect in a genetic defect that prevents production of an enzyme called adenosine deaminase, or ADA.

ADA deficiency, similar to that the immune problem that afflicted David, the famed Texas ''bubble boy,'' affects no more than 20 children worldwide at any given time. In the past, some affected youngsters lived in plastic bubbles to guard against life-threatening infections. Now, most such children undergo bone marrow transplants or receive injections of the missing enzyme.

The gene therapy will be conducted only on youngsters who lack siblings who can donate bone marrow and who are not responding well to enzyme replacement drugs.

In the procedure, researchers drew blood from the young patient, artificially encouraged her immune cells to multiply, inserted correct copies of the ADA gene using a crippled mouse virus and then infused the genetically altered cells back into the child's body.

The child is expected to undergo similar infusions every month for the next two or three years.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 13) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	80.50	80.97	80.30	80.93	80.85
Feb	76.10	76.55	76.00	76.43	76.68
Apr	76.30	76.60	76.07	76.53	76.75
Jun	74.35	74.47	74.10	74.38	74.55
Aug	72.80	72.95	72.70	72.82	72.97
Oct	73.00	73.00	72.75	72.80	73.07
Dec	73.75	73.75	73.75	73.75	73.90

Est. sales 15,533 contracts; Wednesday 14,996; open interest: 69,090 up 1,252.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	88.65	88.90	88.45	88.88	88.72
Mar	86.07	86.35	85.90	86.30	86.13
Apr	84.53	84.65	84.35	84.57	84.57
May	83.25	83.45	83.10	83.35	83.55
Aug	83.00	83.00	82.80	82.93	83.20
Sep	82.35	82.35	82.30	82.40	82.70
Oct	82.30	82.30	82.05	82.15	82.55
Nov	82.30	82.30	82.30	82.30	82.50

Est. sales 1,404 contracts; Wednesday 1,316; open interest: 10,876 up 318.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	49.70	49.88	49.40	49.60	49.85
Feb	48.75	48.75	47.80	48.45	48.85

Apr 46.38 46.45 45.83 46.42 46.47
Jun 50.00 50.08 49.60 49.83 50.15
Jul 50.00 50.30 49.90 50.17 50.20
Aug 49.00 49.10 48.60 48.90 49.05
Oct 44.05 44.05 43.92 43.95 44.10
Dec .... 44.55 44.75 Est. sales 8,086 contracts; Wednesday 5,885; open interest: 26,882 off 195.
Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 66.35 66.35 64.93 64.93 66.93
Mar 65.40 65.40 63.92 63.92 65.93
May 65.10 65.10 63.90 63.90 65.90
Jul 64.40 64.40 63.00 63.00 65.00
Aug 62.90 62.90 60.30 60.30 62.30 Est. sales 2,005 contracts; Wednesday 5,294; open interest: 12,873 off 94.
CARLOTS
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 131.08 up 27 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 130.10 up 16 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.27 down 7 cents, 700-850 lbs. 118.71 up 14 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light; fresh pork loins firm to 2.00 higher; Boston butts not established; skinned hams 17-20 lbs. firm, 20-26 lbs. weak to 3.00 lower; seedless bellies steady; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 111.00-114.00, 18-22 lbs. 109.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 70.00-73.00, 20-26 lbs. 59.00-62.00, 32 lbs. and up 51.00-52.00; bellies 12-14 lbs. 58.50, 14-16 lbs. 58.50, 16-18 lbs. 55.50.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - A coalition of police organizations Thursday joined the anti-gun lobby in asking the Supreme Court to let stand Congress's 1986 decision outlawing private ownership of machine guns.

A group of seven police organizations, in a friend-of-the-court brief written by the Center to Prevent Handgun Violence, asked the justices to reject an appeal of a federal court ruling that upheld the ban.

J.D. Farmer Jr. of Smyrna, Ga., backed by the National Rifle Association, is asking the high court to overturn a decision of the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals rejecting his bid to own a machine gun.

In 1986, Congress banned the private possession of machine guns that were not already lawfully possessed.

The NRA Firearms Civil Rights Legal Defense Fund, counsel for Farmer, claims because of exceptions in the legislation, the 1986 law should not be interpreted to prohibit private possession of machine guns by law- abiding citizens. But if it does, the NRA claims, that violates the Second Amendment, which guarantees the right to bear arms.

It also is asking the Supreme Court to decide if the Constitution permits Congress to ever prohibit the ''mere possession'' of a firearm by law-abiding citizens.

The NRA called the 1986 law the ''first ban on firearms possession by law-abiding citizens in American history.''

Technically, the case is about whether courts can review the federal government's interpretation of its own laws, said Richard Gardiner, director of state and local affairs for the NRA Institute for Legislative Action.

''This case has nothing to do with legalizing all machine guns,'' said Gardiner. ''All this case is about is whether people will be able to continue registering machine guns.''

''Machine guns have no place in a civilized society,'' countered District of Columbia Police Chief Isaac Fulwood. ''The purpose is solely to kill large sums of people as quickly as possible.''

Fulwood, speaking at a news conference on behalf of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, said as of Thursday there had been a record 454 murders in the city for 1990, 80 percent of them involving guns.

Legalization of machine guns would exacerbate an already critical violent crime problem expected to give the United States its highest murder toll ever this year, said Fulwood.

''The National Rifle Association's effort to overturn the 1986 machine gun ban cuts away all of the NRA's fancy, all-American rhetoric developed by some public relations whiz,'' said Don Cahill, legislative director of the National Fraternal Order of Police.

''What it leaves us with is a clear picture of the extremist NRA leadership. It's a picture of a group of people who put money from gun sales first and public safety last.''

The NRA claims that the ban is not needed to protect the public. Legislation already required federal registration, background checks, fingerprinting and endorsement by a police chief for a private citizen to own a fully automatic gun.

There have been no documented cases of a ''civilian-owned fully automatic

firearm that was lawfully registered'' being used in a crime, the NRA claimed.

The high court could decide as early as next month whether to hear the case or let the 11th Circuit decision stand.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 13) UPI - The clock began ticking Thursday for California's bad drivers, who could see their automobile insurance rates jump by up to 40 percent early next year.

As announced last week, Roxani Gillespie, the state's insurance commissioner, issued formal regulations Thursday that would allow selected insurance companies to hike rates by five percent to 40 percent for drivers with more than one traffic ticket in the last three years. Drivers with one ticket or less in the last three years would receive small rate decreases under the regulations, Gillespie said.

But the regulations, issued in accordance with the two-year-old insurance reform measure Proposition 103, do not take effect for 30 days, and they may face several challenges in that time.

John Garamendi, the state's newly elected insurance commissioner, takes office in January and has said he will review all rate hikes approved by Gillespie. In addition, consumer advocates say they may contest the new regulations in court. The first insurers approved for the new rates include State Farm, the state's largest auto insurer, as well as Safeco and Fireman's Fund.

A State Farm spokesman said the new regulations would mean double-digit rate increases for so-called bad drivers and small decreases for good drivers. Under Proposition 103, insurers were required to submit rating plans to the insurance commissioner for prior approval.

Gillespie initially ordered the insurance companies to submit plans that did not include "territorial ratings," in which substantially higher rates are charged for drivers in urban areas such as Los Angeles. But that ruling was struck down in May by a Los Angeles Superior Court judge.

Gillespie has appealed the judge's decision, and the regulations issued Thursday would require insurers to refund any excess rates, plus interest, if her initial regulations are upheld by the appelate court.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period Year Earlier
ADC Telecommunications (4th Q 10-31)
$71,750,000 $59,049,000
$6,469,000 (.49) $5,264,000 (.40)

Greenman Bros (3rd Q 11-3)
$47,539,000 $35,879,000
$671,000 (.11) d-$2,360,000
d-Deficit.

Park Electrochemical Corp (3rd Q 11-25)
$40,636,000 $38,493,000
$480,000 (.10) $1,067,000 (.21)

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CHICAGO (DEC. 13) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.52 1/2	2.54 1/2	2.52	2.54 1/2	2.55
Mar	2.64	2.65	2.62	2.65	2.67
May	2.71	2.72	2.69 1/2	2.72	2.73 1/2
Jly	2.73	2.75 1/2	2.73	2.74 3/4	2.76 1/2
Sep	2.80	2.81 1/2	2.80	2.81	2.82
Dec	2.91 1/2	2.93	2.91 1/4	2.93	2.94 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.24	2.24 1/2	2.22 1/2	2.23	2.27
Mar	2.36	2.36 1/2	2.34 3/4	2.35 1/4	2.39 1/4
May	2.43 1/2	2.44 3/4	2.43	2.43 1/2	2.47 1/4
Jly	2.49 3/4	2.51	2.49 1/2	2.50	2.53 1/4
Sep	2.52	2.53	2.50 3/4	2.51	2.53 3/4
Dec	2.50 1/2	2.53	2.50 1/2	2.51 3/4	2.50 3/4
Mar	2.57 1/2	2.59 3/4	2.57 1/2	2.58 3/4	2.60 3/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.08	1.08	1.07 1/2	1.08	1.10
Mar	1.17 3/4	1.18 1/4	1.16 3/4	1.18	1.19 1/2
May	1.23 1/2	1.23 1/2	1.22 1/4	1.23 1/4	1.25
Jly	1.28 1/4	1.28 1/2	1.27 3/4	1.28 1/2	1.30 1/4
Sep	1.33 3/4	1.33 3/4	1.33 3/4	1.33 3/4	1.35 1/2
Dec	1.42	1.42	1.42	1.42	1.44
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					

Jan	5.88	5.89	5.85	5.88	5.96 3/4
Mar	6.03 1/2	6.04 1/4	6.00 1/2	6.02 3/4	6.12
May	6.16	6.18	6.14 1/2	6.17	6.26 1/4
Jly	6.28 1/2	6.29 1/2	6.26	6.29 1/4	6.37 3/4
Aug	6.32	6.32	6.28 1/2	6.32	6.39 3/4
Sep	6.24	6.25 3/4	6.23 1/2	6.25	6.31 1/2
Nov	6.22	6.24 1/2	6.22	6.24 1/4	6.29 1/4
Jan	6.33 1/2	6.35 1/2	6.33 1/2	6.35	6.40 1/2
Mar	6.47	6.47	6.47	6.47	6.53

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	21.32	21.37	21.21	21.25	21.47
Jan	21.40	21.60	21.37	21.45	21.57
Mar	21.70	21.90	21.68	21.76	21.87
May	22.02	22.15	21.99	22.04	22.18
Jul	22.15	22.32	22.15	22.20	22.36
Aug	22.15	22.23	22.08	22.10	22.22
Sep	22.05	22.10	21.95	22.02	22.15
Oct	21.98	21.98	21.90	21.92	22.03
Dec	22.00	22.00	21.80	21.82	22.05
Jan	21.70	21.80	....	21.75	21.85

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	175.00	175.00	172.50	175.00	177.30
Jan	176.00	176.00	173.80	175.70	178.60
Mar	180.50	180.90	179.00	180.80	183.60
May	183.00	184.50	182.80	184.30	187.10
Jul	186.00	187.80	186.00	187.60	190.00
Aug	188.00	188.50	187.50	188.00	190.50
Sep	187.50	187.50	186.50	187.20	190.00
Oct	186.00	187.00	186.00	187.00	187.70
Dec	188.00	189.00	187.00	189.00	191.00
Jan	186.50	187.00	....	186.70	188.20

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(DEC. 13) UPI - A U-S-chartered Iraqi airliner is to land in Frankfurt, Germany today with the U-S ambassador to Kuwait and four other U-S diplomats aboard. That leaves NO one in the U-S Embassy in Kuwait City for the first time since Iraqi tanks rolled into the country.

The last freedom flight from Kuwait took off even as Iraq pressed ahead with plans to train its civilian population for the realities of war. The state-owned Iraqi Television reports that special civil defense exercises will begin on January 15th, the deadline set by the U-N for Iraq to get out of Kuwait.

Economists are saying that the first decline in retail sales in six months indicates some weakness in consumer buying patterns but NOT enough to dampen the lucrative holiday buying season. The Commerce Department says retail sales dipped one-tenth of one percent in November, after a revised two-tenths of one percent gain in October.

Administration officials confirm more details in yesterday's surprise resignation of Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos. The first Hispanic American in the Cabinet reportedly had a meeting about his future on Tuesday with chief of staff John Sununu and was told he had NO future. Cavazos then called in his staff and resigned.

Rescue workers now report that 12 people died after an earthquake struck a coastal area of Sicily. Four people died of heart attacks, eight were killed when three aged homes collapsed in one small community. Hospitals treated 200 people for various injuries, and the quake left 500 people homeless.

The exiled president of the African National Congress returned to South Africa today for the anti-apartheid group's first congress since it was legalized. Oliver Tambo flew to Johannesburg from Zambia, stepping off the plane with a smile on his face but still showing the effects of the stroke he suffered in August 1989.

President Corazon Aquino today signed into law a bill creating a powerful police force that is to be separate from the Philippine military. The new police force will be responsible for internal security and the anti-insurgency campaign against communist rebels.

One of the two ranchers accused of killing an ecologist in Brazil in 1988 confessed to the crime as his trial was about to begin yesterday. The confession is NOT the first from the defendant, who admitted the crime to police earlier, then denied it. The killing set off international concern about the fate of the Amazon rain forests.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 13) UPI - The volume was moderate and the attitude bearish in the grain and soybean complex Thursday.

Grain futures were lower and soybeans were sharply lower at the close on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Traders attributed the weakness to the size of the credit package offered to the Soviet Union. The package could amount to as much as $1 billion, but was not as large as the trade had expected and accounted for most of the selling.

Soybeans made session lows about midday and were sharply lower, but closed

above the lows on short-covering late in the day. Commercials were on both sides of the bean market.

Grain prices were lower in sympathy with the weakness in soybeans, although scattered buying interest kept a floor under the market.

Interior and Gulf basis levels were mostly lower.

Country movement was very light.

At the close, corn was off 2 to 4, soybeans down 5 to 9 1/4, wheat off 1/2 to 2 and oats down 1 1/2 to 2.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - A federal judge, ruling Thursday on a lawsuit filed by 54 congressional Democrats, refused to block President Bush from committing U.S. forces to a Persian Gulf war.

U.S. District Judge Harold Greene, in denying a preliminary injunction, nevertheless suggested that the lawsuit might have prevailed had it been backed by a majority of the Congress.

''It is only if the majority of the Congress seeks relief from an infringement on its constitutional war-declaration power that it may be entitled to receive it,'' Greene wrote in his 29 page decision.

But the judge also trampled some of the arguments against the suit presented by the Justice Department. Government lawyers had insisted that the chances for a war with Iraq were slim.

Greene pointed out that Bush recently doubled the size of the U.S. force in the gulf to 400,000 troops and sought a U.N. resolution authoritizing the use of force in response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

''It is disingenuous,'' Greene wrote, ''for the Department (of Justice) to characterize plaintiffs' allegations as to the imminence of the threat of offensive military action ... as 'remote and conjectural. '''

The congressmen, led by Rep. Ron Dellums, D-Calif., filed suit last month challenging Bush's authority to commit troops to the Persian Gulf in preparation for an offensive action without first getting approval from Congress. The lawsuit is based on the war powers clause of the Constitution, which grants Congress authority ''to declare war.''

In his decision, Greene echoed the reluctance of other courts to enter into disputes over war and foreign policy between the executive and legislative

branches of government.

''The principle that the courts shall be prudent in the exercise of their authority is never more compelling than when they are called upon to adjudicate on such sensitive issues as those trenching upon military and foreign affairs,'' Greene wrote.

''Judicial restraint must, of course, be even further enhanced when the issue is one - as here - on which the other two branches may be deeply divided.''

But Greene had firm words for Congress, which he said has not taken steps to clearly define its position on the Middle East crisis.

''It would be both premature and presumptuous for the court to render a decision on the issue of whether a declaration of war is required at this time or in the near future when Congress itself has provided no indication whether it deems such a declaration either necessary, on the one hand, or imprudent, on the other,'' Greene wrote.

Lawyers for the congressmen said they planned to appeal Greene's ruling.

In a related lawsuit, U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth denied Thursday a request for a preliminary injunction sought by an Army national guardsman, who sought to block his deployment to the Middle East on the grounds that Operation Desert Shield violated the War Powers Act.

The 1973 War Powers Act requires the president to notify Congress within 48 hours when U.S. forces are in an area of ''imminent hostilities.'' Congress has 60 days to vote on whether to authorize the military action. Presidents have generally ignored the act.

In his lawsuit, Sgt. Michael Ange, 26, attached to the 1,450th Transportation Unit at Fort Lee, Va., also claimed that an ulcer and leg injuries made him unfit for duty.

In ruling against the lawsuit, Lamberth wrote: ''By asking the court to determine the constitutionality of the president's actions, Ange asks the court to delve into and evaluate those areas where the court lacks expertise, resources and authority to explore.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 13) UPI - Allstate Insurance Co. singled out 51 cars as "special values" Thursday based on a review of accident-damage repair costs and the theft and break-in risks for 1990 models.

The company's annual make-and-model ratings provide consumers with information

about which cars are the most expensive to insure - and which are the least expensive.

General Motors led all automakers, placing 19 models on the "special value" list of 51 cars rated exceptional insurance values because their insurance premiums are much lower than average for cars with similar price tags. Ford placed 13 cars on the list and Chrysler 11.

More than 200 cars were rated in this year's list - based on a compliation of the company's loss data for 1990 models insured, and results of crash tests that determine what kind of damage cars sustain and how expensive it is to repair.

"The rating information is extremely valuable to consumers who plan to buy a car in the next several months," said Mike LaMonica, Allstate assistant vice president for auto insurance pricing.

"By knowing how cars are rated, consumers are able to factor in the cost of insurance as part of a car's total operating costs," said the executive of the Northbrook, Ill.-based company.

GM cars on the "special value" list included the Cadillac Fleetwood; the Buick Century, Electra, Estate Wagon, LeSabre, Reatta, and Riviera; the Chevrolet Astra van, Caprice, Celebrity, and Suburban; the GMC Safari van; the Oldsmobile Customer Cruiser, Olds 88, Olds 98, Silhouette, Toronado, and Touring Sedan, and the Pontiac Grand Prix.

Ford models making the list were the Aerostar van, the Bronco, the Bronco II, Crown Victoria, LTD Wagon, standard van, Taurus, and Thunderbird EX Super Coupe; the Lincoln Continental and Town Car, and the Mercury Cougar LS, Grand Marquis, and Sable.

Chrysler made the list with the Chrysler Fifth Avenue and New Yorker; Dodge Caravan, Grand Caravan, Dynasty, Spirit, and standard van; the Jeep Wagoneer, and the Plymouth Voyager NT, Grand Voyager NT, and Voyager Turbo.

Also on the "special value" list were the Acura Legend, Jaguar XJ-6 and XJ-S, Mercedes 420, Toyota Camry and Cressida, Volkswagen Camper and Volvo 240 and 760.

Others rated as having much lower than average insurance costs - but not making the special value list - were the Subaru Justy, Suzuki Swift and Toyota Tercel, all in the $10,000-and-under class.

Twenty-two vehicles were rated as having much higher than average. The cars in the $10,000 and lower price class with the highest insurance costs were the Ford Escort GT, Ford Mustang EX convertible, Hyundai Sonata, Nissan 2WD pickup Volkswagen GTI, Volkswagen Jetta, and Yugo Cabrio.

Highest insurance costs for cars in the the $10,000 to $15,000 class were for the Dodge Shelby Daytona, GEO Tracker, Mitsubishi wagon, Nissan 240SX, Pontiac Firebird, and Toyota Corolla GTS Coupe.

In the $15,001 to $20,000, the most costly to insure were the Chevorlet Camaro IROC-Z, the Nissan Pathfinder, the Pontiac Firebird Trans Am, and the Voklswagen Cabriolet.

Among the most expensive cars, the BMW 750 Series, Cadillac Allante, Mercedes 500 and 560 series, and Porsche 911 and 944 were rated most expensive to insure.

In addition to the "Make & Model" insurance discounts, LaMonica said consumers in most states can also save on their auto insurance premiums when they buy cars with safety features. For cars equipped with anti-lock brakes, Allstate offers a ten percent discount for bodily injury, property damage liability and collision coverages.

Discounts on personal injury protection or medical payments coverage apply to cars equipped with air bags or automatic seat belts. The discount for driver-side air bags is 20 percent. Cars with full front-seat air bags receive a 30 percent discount. Cars with automatic seat belts qualify for a ten percent discount.

The availability, as well as the actual amount of the safety discounts, vary by state. Allstate's "Make & Model" and safety discounts must be filed and, if necessary, approved by a state's insurance department before being made available to customers. The discounts are not available in all states.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 9.to 23 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.81	9.82	9.66	9.69	9.84
May	9.86	9.87	9.73	9.76	9.88
Jly	9.90	9.93	9.77	9.81	9.90
Oct	9.93	9.94	9.77	9.80	9.99
Mar	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.87	10.10

Estimated sales: 8,322 contracts

Open interest: 109,559 off 99

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.70

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday unchanged to 3

points lower.
SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	22.41	22.41	22.40	22.41	22.41
May	22.51	22.52	22.51	22.52	22.55
Jly	22.65	22.66	22.65	22.66	22.67
Sep	22.65	22.65	22.65	22.66	22.68
Nov	22.55	22.55	22.55	22.64	22.67
Jan	....	....	....	22.62	22.65

Estimated sales: 225 contracts
Open interest: 10,845 up 93

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Gold futures closed Thursday 160 to 200 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.
Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	372.30	375.00	372.30	374.30	372.70
Jan	375.10	....	....	375.10	373.50
Feb	373.90	376.40	373.50	376.10	374.50
Apr	377.00	379.30	376.80	379.30	377.70
Jun	380.70	382.60	380.70	382.60	381.00
Aug	385.80	....	....	385.80	384.00
Oct	389.00	....	....	389.00	387.10
Dec	390.50	392.20	390.00	392.20	390.30
Feb	395.70	....	....	395.70	393.80
Apr	399.00	....	....	399.00	397.00
Jun	400.00	402.60	400.00	402.60	400.60
Aug	406.10	....	....	406.10	404.10

Open interest: 112,186 up 169.
Estimated sales: 30,000 contracts.

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PASADENA, CALIF. (DEC. 13) UPI - NASA released two dazzling new pictures of the moon and one of Earth snapped by the Galileo space probe as it streaked past Earth on its circuitous trip to Jupiter.

The images are just a sampling of stunning new images of Earth and its moon captured by the probe on Saturday that have excited scientists by providing unprecedented views, especially of the far side of the moon.

''This new study by Galileo is really the first attempt to understand the back

side of the moon,'' said Clark Chapman, a research scientist at the Planetary Science Institute in Tuscon, Ariz. ''We're going to learn a lot about the geology of the back side of the moon.''

One image shows what appears to be full moon but taken from a vantage point unattainable from Earth - with the right-hand side of the image including part of the side of the moon not visible from Earth.

A second image shows a crescent moon, including the 60-mile diameter Copernicus crater and a portion of the moon where the Apollo 12, 14 and 15 missions landed.

''It's been a fantastic lunar mission already,'' said project scientist Torrence Johnson.

The final image belongs to a mosaic of pictures covering Antarctica. The image shows the Ross Ice Shelf and its border with the sea along with mountains poking through the ice.

In addition to offering exciting new perspectives on Earth and the moon, the images demonstrate the power of the probe when it finally reaches Jupiter to study that planet, the scientists said.

Galileo streaked past Earth on Saturday, zooming just 600 miles above the Atlantic in the first of two such historc flybys needed to put the craft on course for distant Jupiter.

NASA did not have a rocket powerful enough to fire Galileo directly to Jupiter. Instead, the probe was launched from the space shuttle Atlantis on Oct. 18, 1989, and fired to Venus for an Oct. 10, 1990, flyby that whipped the craft back to Earth for Saturday's encounter.

With the state-of-the-art instruments gathering data about Earth and the moon, the $1.5 billion Galileo passed about 594 miles above the Atlantic Ocean east of Florida, using Earth's gravity to whip it into a new orbit, boosting the probe's velocity by 11,620 mph - from 67,240 to 78,860 mph.

Elated scientists unveiled two extremely sharp photographs on Saturday of the Earth and moon and are planning a news conference next week to release more, including a short movie of Earth rotating in space.

The Earth flyby put Galileo, which is already more than 2.3 million miles from Earth, into a new two-year orbit around the sun that will carry the craft past the asteroid Gaspra in October 1991 and back to Earth in two years.

The second Earth flyby will boost Galileo's velocity to 87,190 mph and change its orbit again, putting the craft on course for a 1995 encounter with Jupiter some 480 million miles away.

Galileo will drop a probe in Jupiter's stormy atmosphere before going into orbit for a 20-month tour, humanity's first long-term study of the solar system's largest planet.

Galileo's electronic ears and eyes will study Jupiter's atmosphere, its whirling moons and its space environment in detail, beaming back close-up pictures 20 to 1,000 times better than anything before.

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#90347u1192 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

BUFFALO, N.Y. (DEC. 13) UPI - There appears to be a link between vasectomies and an increased risk of contracting prostate cancer, researchers said Thursday.

Researchers from Roswell Park Cancer Institute said their study is the first to find an increased cancer risk for men who have undergone a vasectomy, a simple operation for male sterilization. The study also shows that the earlier in life a vasectomy is performed, the greater the risk.

However, it is unclear if vasectomies cause the increased cancer risk or if some other factor is the actual source of the risk.

''We've established an association, but it's uncertain if vasectomy is a risk factor,'' said Dr. Curtin Mettlin, co-author of the study and director of Roswell's Department of Cancer Control and Epidemiology. ''There's no strong biologicial rationale for increased prostate cancer risk after a vasectomy,'' he added.

Mettlin said further studies will be needed to determine if the frequency of sexual intercourse and numbers of sexual partners are factors in increased cancer risk.

''By contrast, other studies of vasectomy have examined large numbers of men and have been consistently reassuring about the safety of vasectomy,'' said Janet Halpern, spokeswoman for the Association for Voluntary Surgical Contraception.

The Buffalo study, published Thursday in the American Journal of Epidemiology, looked at 610 prostate cancer patients, 27 of whom had vasectomies, and at 2,580 patients with other cancers, 115 of whom had vasectomies.

The study found the rate of prostate cancer was twice as high for men who had vasectomies more than a dozen years before their cancer was diagnosed.

An estimated 455,000 vasectomies are performed annually in the United States.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Workers' compensation costs have doubled in five years and are still rising sharply, posing a financial threat to companies unless they act decisively to hold down costs, said a study released Thursday.

"Job-related injuries in 1990 will cost American employers over $60 billion in direct workers' compensation expenses, double the bill of just five years ago " said Jerry Miccolis, of the Tillinghast consulting firm, which conducted the survey.

Miccolis, a vice president of the Towers Perrin unit, said that of all parties to the workers' compensation system, "employers have the most incentive and are in the best position to check this alarming cost trend."

Some 70 percent of the mid-sized to large companies surveyed by Tillinghast, a risk management and insurance consulting firm, said workers' compensation costs threatened financial performance "somewhat" or "a great deal." Thirty percent of those surveyed said they expected such costs to be somewhat or totally out of control in the next five years.

Workers' compensation, first enacted by Wisconsin in 1911, was created as an employer-paid, no-fault insurance for injuries on the job. Nearly 40 percent of companies said they consider the cost of state workers' compensation laws before deciding where to locate operations. Some 56 percent of manufacturing firms considered this in location decisions.

Tillinghast said 83 percent of respondents described rising medical costs as a major problem. Such costs account for roughly 40 percent of overall workers compensation costs, and are rising towards 50 percent.

"Employers have to start managing these expenses as aggressively as they manage other costs under regular employee health plans," said Ian Abernathy, a health care expert with Towers Perrin benefits unit TPF&C. He said approaches used to hold down health plan costs may be applicable.

Other issues frequently cited by those surveyed were widening definitions of work-related injuries and growing attorney involvement. Cost-control measures included safety and light-duty programs and pre- employment screening.

Other steps taken to restrain costs include medical bill audits, introduction of case managers and use of lower-cost health-care organizations. The survey found that managers considered the most effective step to be the coordination of workers' compensation with regular health-care programs.

Said Miccolis: "Only when employers impose rigorous controls will benefit costs moderate, insurance markets stabilize and the system refocus on its

basic purpose: fostering a safe work environment and getting injured workers timely, high-quality care - and back to productive employment."

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OTTAWA (DEC. 13) UPI - Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, seeking ways of preventing Quebec's secession, moved Thursday to speed up constitutional changes and give Canadians a bigger voice in the process.

A special parliamentary committee will report by July 1 on alternatives to the process of amending the constitution. The committee will hold televised public hearings and travel across the country.

Under current laws, certain constitutional changes require the approval of all 10 provinces. The requirement led to the defeat last June of the Meech Lake accord, a constitutional amendment aimed at keeping Quebec in Canada by giving it, among other things, special powers to promote and preserve its French language and culture.

Two provinces refused to ratify the amendment.

Essentially, Mulroney wants the provinces to relinquish their veto over future constitutional changes. A more flexible way of amending the constitution - one that would require the consent of a simple majority of provinces - would allow him to give the French-speaking province what it wants to stay part of Canada.

Mulroney said the group will examine how Canadians can become more involved in constitutional changes, perhaps through national referendums, and whether the three-year period for ratification by the provinces should be shortened.

Any alternatives to the current process, however, would be difficult for any province to endorse if it meant surrendering the political might of a veto. Quebec has already said it will not abandon its veto.

''Our constitutional amending process has not worked to our advantage,'' Mulroney said. However, he said it was important that the relationship between Quebec and Canada be made more productive and flexible.

''Let's build, not bulldoze. Let's renovate, not raze,'' Mulroney said.

Mulroney said Canada should follow the example of Europe, which is headed irreversibly towards a new form of federalism. ''Why would we swim against the tide of history by abandoning our federal system,'' he said.

Last month, Mulroney established a special committee on Canadian unity to examine Quebec's future in Canada, regional hostilities, western alienation and reform of parliamentary institutions, including the appointed Senate.

Preventing Quebec's secession dominates Mulroney's political agenda and is almost an essential if the Conservatives hope to recoup enough public support to win a general election two years from now. The Conservative government currently has only 15 percent support of Canadians.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $17 to $19 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.10 cent to 1.50 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.60 cent higher to 0.45 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.26 cent higher to 0.20 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $1.60 to $2.00 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $1.40 an ounce lower across the board for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.50 cent to 1.90 cent a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 1.6 to 2.5 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.009 to 0.023 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - In the first comprehensive update of its radiation protection standards in 30 years, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission lowered by five-fold Thursday its limit on allowable doses to the public from nuclear industry activities.

The revision also tightened the occupational exposure limit for nuclear workers, imposing an estimated cost of $170 million on industry. The biggest impact is likely to be felt at uranium processing plants, which may have to take steps to meet tougher standards on airborne uranium.

While stricter than the NRC's old standard, the new occupational exposure limit was controversial in that it remains more than twice as high as the ceiling recently recommended by the International Commission on Radiological Protection, a prestigious panel of radiation health experts.

NRC officials said they would review the commission's recommendations and that some worker limits might be brought down. However, they said the commission saw no urgent need to reduce its occupational exposure standard because doses to most U.S. workers were very low.

Anti-nuclear groups charged the NRC regulations would allow much higher doses to workers under provisions enabling industry to seek NRC approval for ''planned special exposures'' above the newly established occupational limit.

They also criticized the NRC's decision to relax limits on concentrations of certain radioactive materials in waste discharges to air and water from nuclear power plants, hospitals and other affected facilities.

Concentration limits were decreased for some substances and kept the same for others, but ceilings were raised for certain substances.

NRC officials said concentration limits were relaxed where new scientific evidence indicated those substances were less harmful than previously thought. As a result, they said higher concentrations would not have any health impact because radiation doses to humans would remain the same.

They also contended the NRC would not countenance any sudden increases in radioactive waste discharges from industry.

But the critics questioned the NRC's enforcement record and the validity of its revised dose assessments.

Said the Nuclear Information and Resource Serrvice, an antinuclear group: ''If more radioactivity is permitted in air and water, obviously, public exposures will be greater.''

Overall, NRC officials said the revision of the radiation protection standards - the first since 1960 - would substantially reduce the possibility of cancer or other health effects from industry-related radiation exposure.

They noted the new regulations also provided unprecedented protection to the unborn by setting limits on exposure to women who tell their employers they are pregnant.

However, NRC officials acknowledged their rewrite did not reflect recent analyses by two prestigious radiological protection groups that concluded radiation was more dangerous to humans than previously believed.

In January 1990, the National Academy of Sciences' Committee on Biological Effects of Ionizing Radiation issued a report that found the cancer risk from radiation was three to four times higher than earlier estimates.

Then in June, the International Commission on Radiological Protection, citing the academy's assessment and others, recommended all nations reduce their exposure limits for nuclear industry workers to 2,000 millirems per year.

In contrast, the NRC's new occupational exposure limit is 5,000 millirems per year for internal exposure - such as ingestion or inhalation of radioactive substances - and external exposure to the skin, such as when a worker touches a ''hot'' object.

For the general public, the revised NRC standard conforms with the recommendations of the international commission in limiting annual exposure to 100 millirems a year from industry-related discharges to air or water. The previous NRC standard for an average citizen was 500 millirems.

A millirem is a measurement of biological damage to living tissue caused by radiation. Experts estimate the average American receives 360 millirems per year from medical X-rays - about 6 millirems per exposure - and natural sources such as radon gas, cosmic rays or brick building materials.

NRC officials said their revised occupational exposure limit would provide significantly greater protection to workers because the old standard allowed 5,000 millirems of external exposure and, on top of that, additional doses for various types of internal exposure.

They said there was no urgent need to adopt the international commission's occupational standard because actual worker exposures remained very low.

For example, they said 97 percent of workers in nuclear power plants, uranium fuel fabrication plants and other high-risk facilities had exposures below 2,000 millirems in 1987.

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DEARBORN, MI (DEC. 13) UPI - Ford Motor Co. said Thursday that ten of its 19 North American vehicle assembly plants will undergo major changes next year to prepare for a blitz of new or extensively redesigned cars and trucks for the 1992-model year.

Robert Rewey, vice president of sales operations for the nation's No. 2 carmaker, said most of those changes will be what he called "integrated launches" - meaning that while startup of the new models may be slow, there will not be any downtime in most cases.

"There will be no abrupt halt," Rewey said during a preview of Ford's Crown Victoria, its first all-new large sedan since 1979 which will go on sale March 21 as a 1992 model. "In most instances there will not be extensive downtimes."

This is in contrast to industry leader General Motors Corp. GM President Lloyd Reuss said Wednesday that 1991 will be "a balancing act" as the giant automaker changes at least eight of its 33 U.S. and Canadian assembly plants to build nine new car and two new truck models.

Some of those plants will undergo extensive changes that may idle workers for as long as seven months, including a four month changeover to new models at its Lansing, Mich., A and B plants. Such changes may allow GM to keep production in line during what is expected to be a weak year for U.S. car and light truck sales.

Both GM and Ford, which slashed production dramatically for the fourth quarter of 1990, expect U.S. vehicle sales for 1991 to slip by approximately 700,000 units to about 13.5 million cars and trucks, down from 14.2 million units for 1990.

At Ford, company spokesman Dave Caplan said most of the plants that will be changed over next year are light truck facilities as Ford redesigns its aging Econoline and Club Wagon vans, as well as its F- Series pickup trucks for 1992.

Those plants are Norfolk (Va.) Assembly, Twin Cities (Minn.) Assembly, Kansas City (Mo.) Assembly, Michigan Truck (Wayne, Mich.) Assembly, and Ontario Truck (Oakville) Assembly. Ford's Ohio Truck plant in Avon Lake, Ohio, is also being refurbished to build an all-new minivan under a joint project with Japanese carmaker Nissan.

Ford car plants to undergo changeovers include its Atlanta and Chicago factories, to prepare for freshened versions of its mid-sized Taurus and Sable cars for 1992. The Tempo/Topaz compact car plant in Oakville, Ontario, will also be modified as those cars get V6 engines and a new front end.

Ford's St. Thomas, Ontario, facility will begin production next month of the carmaker's all-new Ford Crown Victoria and its Mercury counterpart, the Grand Marquis. These are Ford's first all-new large sedans since 1979.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - In a tongue-in-cheek attempt to help the opposition, the Democratic Party distributed a fictitious advertisement Thursday seeking a replacement for William Bennett, who withdrew as President Bush's nominee to head the GOP.

Releasing a statement from Ron Brown, chairman of the Democratic National

Committee, which hoped to capitalize on the disarray in the Republican camp, the Democrats included the following boxed ''ad.''

''HELP WANTED: Career Opportunity. Struggling political party seeks true conservative with independent wealth or trust fund. Political experience preferred but not necessary. Must be able to read lips, hips and distinguish broccoli from asparagus tips. Two year commitment required. Successful candidate must be able to divert attention away from a failing economy. Friends of (GOP consultant) Ed Rollins and (former Reagan White House communications director) Pat Buchanan need not apply.''

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CHICAGO (DEC. 13) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.44 1/2-2.50 off 1/2 to 2.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.83-5. 86 off 8 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.25 1/4-2.28 1/4 off 4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.33 1/4-2.37 1/4 off 4.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Slightly lower in moderate trading.

Bonds - Slightly lower.

American Stocks - Slightly lower in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in moderate trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed sharply higher in moderate trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Mixed.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 2 to 4, soybeans down 5 to 9 1/4, wheat off 1/2 to 2 and oats down 1 1/2 to 2.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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ZURICH, Switzerland (DEC. 13) UPI - Africa, backed by its strong showing at the World Cup, will have one extra team when the soccer championship comes to the United States in 1994 while Europe will have one less.

The decision, announced Thursday by FIFA, world soccer's governing body, will give Africa three teams instead of two in the 24-team tournament. Europe will field 13 instead of 14.

Asia will receive two berths, South America three and North and Central America and the Caribbean one. Defending champion West Germany and the host United States will qualify automatically.

Three other teams will compete for a remaining berth. The winner of the Oceania qualifying group will face the runner-up of the North- Central America-Caribbean zone. That winner will face the fourth-ranked South American club for a tournament spot.

''These changes reflect what happened in the last two World Cups when the Africans did very well, particularly Cameroon last time when it advanced into the quarterfinals,'' said Joseph Blatter, FIFA's secretary-general.

Cameroon advanced further than any African team at last came summer's World Cup in Italy. Egypt, Africa's other representative, played Holland and Ireland to scoreless draws before losing to England in the first round.

Blatter also confirmed from FIFA headquarters that Israel, which is boycotted by many Asian nations, has been shifted from the Oceania qualifying group to Europe.

FIFA also suspended all teams representing Iraq, citing the political uncertainty in the Persian Gulf. It also banished Costa Rica for all competitions involving age limits, including the Olympics, for two years.

Special measures were taken against Colombia whose national and club teams play international games only abroad because the security of referees and visiting teams cannot be assured at home.

FIFA also announced a special commission will be introduced in mid- January. The panel, which will include former French great Michel Platini, is to make

recommendations on improving the sport.

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MONEY RATES

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Money rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days	7.72
60 to 89 days	7.44
90 to 119 days	7.34
120 to 149 days	7.23
150 to 179 days	7.14
180 to 270 days	7.08

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.75 - 7.25

issuers 30 days	7.42
issuers 90 days	7.20
issuers 270 days	6.92

Certificates of Deposit:

(Average of all major U.S banks)

30 to 59 days	7.95
60 to 89 days	7.77
90 to 119 days	7.67
120 to 149 days	7.61
150 to 179 days	7.55
180 days	7.50

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market bid and offered)

Overnight	7.25 - 7.375
1 month	7 3-16 - 7 5-16
3 months	7 9-16 - 7 11-16
6 months	7 9-16 - 7 11-16
Year	7.50 - 7.625

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate: bid and offered)

3 months	6.82 - 6.80
6 months	6.70 - 6.68
Year	6.67 - 6.65

Federal Funds: High 7 1/4, Low 7 1/8, 3 p.m. 7 1/4.

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday 7. 289 off 0.004.

(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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(DEC. 13) UPI - The five remaining U-S diplomats left Kuwait today on board a U-S- chartered Iraqi jetliner. The plane scheduled a stop in Baghdad before flying on to Frankfurt, Germany. The withdrawal of the diplomats indicates that all Americans who wanted to leave are out of Kuwait. It is the first time the Kuwait Embassy has been unstaffed since the Iraqi invasion on August 2nd.

Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell is leading a delegation of seven Democratic senators on a week-long trip to the Mideast for a first-hand assessment of the Persian Gulf situation. The senators will meet with government leaders in Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Israel on the trip, which includes a meeting with the U-S commander in Operation Desert Shield.

Former anti-drug policy chief William Bennett told President Bush today that he canNOT accept appointment as chairman of the Republican National Committee. In a letter to Bush, Bennett cited personal and professional commitments for his decision... including a contract to write two books. Bennett was to have replaced Lee Atwater, who is suffering from a brain tumor. Bush administration officials offered NO immediate replacement for the G-O-P post.

November retail sales figures are down, the first time that has happened in six months. But most of the decline comes from lower auto sales. The Commerce Department reports that sales dipped one-tenth of one percent last month, to 151-point-six-BILLION dollars. But that would have been up two-tenths of one percent if auto sales were left out. The November figures include the first few days of the important Christmas holiday period.

There is a lot of scurring about within the administration following yesterday's pronouncement that scholarships aimed at minorities are illegal under civil rights laws. Michael Williams... confirmed in June as assistant education secretary for civil rights... made the announcement. It brought an immediate firestorm of protest from colleges around the country and from minority students who have the scholarships. It also took the White House by surprise. Deputy news secretary Steve Hart says President Bush does NOT endorse the position, was NOT told in advance that it was being made and everything is now under ''review.''

More now coming out about the removal of the chief editor of the Dead Sea Scrolls, the ancient Old Testamant writings discovered in 1947. The Boston Globe says John Strugnell was removed from supervisory duties on the project NOT only because of poor health but because of an interview given to a Tel Aviv newspaper on November 9th. In it, the professor at the Harvard Divinity School called Judaism- quoting now- a ''horrible religion'' and a ''Christian heresy.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	68 1-8	off	3-4
AT&T Company	31	up	5-8
BCE Inc	34 1-2	off	1-4
Bell Atlantic	55 1-4	off	1-2
BellSouth Corp	54 3-4	off	1-4
Exxon Corp	50 3-8	unch	
Ford Motor Co	25 3-4	off 1	1-2
Genl Electric	56 1-4	off	3-4
General Motors	34 1-8	off 1	1-8
GTE Corp	30 1-2	up	5-8
IBM Corp	112 7-8	off 1	1-2
Mobil Oil Corp	56 5-8	up	1-8
Nynex Corp	75 3-8	up	3-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24 3-8	unch	
Pacific Telesis	46 1-4	off	1-4
Phila Electric	17 1-4	off	1-8
Sears Roebuck	26 7-8	off	1-8
Southern Co	27	off	1-4
Sthwestern Bell	56 1-4	unch	
US West Inc	38 5-8	unch	

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1020.5
Wednesday	1023.0
Week ago	1014.5
Month ago	1027.6
Year ago	1065.2
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1007.8

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CHICAGO (DEC. 13) UPI - White men get the best prices when negotiating with dealers on a new car, but the same dealers demand much higher prices from blacks and women, according to a study released Thursday.

The study, commissioned by the American Bar Foundation, suggests

discrimination against blacks and women might be attributed to attempts to extract as much money as possible from consumers dealers deem most likely to be "suckers."

"Black men and women weree having to pay two to three times the markup of white men," said Ian Ayers, who conducted the study for the American Bar Foundation. White women, he said, generaly paid a 50 percent higher markup than white men.

"This type of discrimination violates our traditional civil rights norms," said Ayres, an assistant professor at Northwestern University School of Law and research fellow at the American Bar Foundation.

"Although blacks and women as groups are poorer than white males, the dealers may be making inferences about differences in their knowledge about the car market and their willingness to bargain," said Ayres. In short, he said, dealers apparently believe blacks and women are less informed consumers and that, as a result, they can get higher prices.

A panel of test shoppers - all displaying middle-class characteristics and trained to negotiate similarly - made more than 500 visits to Chicago area car dealers. Ironically, Ayers said, testers were likely to get the worst deal from sales people of their own race and gender, according to Ayres.

Testers in the initial segment of the study included one white woman, one black woman, one black man and three white men. Average dealer markups on "final price" quotes - after 165 dealer visits - were $362 for a white male; $504 for a white female; $783 for a black male; and $1,237 for a black female.

Subsequently, 400 tests were completed utilizing 36 testers, including five black males, eight black females, six white females and 17 white males. Statistically, the results were similar, except black men paid slightly higher markups than black women.

The testers were instructed to follow scripts, borrowed from methodology used in fair-housing tests, as closely as possible during their negotiations with car dealers. Discriminatory treatment was measured in initial offers, final offers and the kinds of questions asked and information stressed by the sales people.

He said the best remedy for the discriminatory pricing is legislation forcing dealers to post average prices charged. Barring that, however, he said there are several remedial methods to discourage such discrimination.

"Suits by both consumers and attorneys genera1 could try to target dealerships that discrinminate on the basis of race and gender," Ayers told United Press International. "Consumers ... can also help protect themselves by becoming better informed about how you bargain and learning about what dealer's costs

are," he added.

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#90347u1328 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - A former close associate of Charles Keating Jr., the indicted former operator of a failed Californina thrift, spent a second day testifying before the Senate ethics committee Thursday under a grant of limited immunity.

The panel must decide whether the so-called Keating Five senators - Alan Cranston, D-Calif.; Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz.; John Glenn, D-Ohio; John McCain R-Ariz.; and Donald Riegle, D-Mich. - improperly pressured bank regulators to benefit Keating and his Lincoln Savings and Loan Association.

The committee questioned James Grogan, a former Lincoln vice president and corporate counsel of Lincoln's parent company, Phoenix-based American Continental Corp., in a closed session.

Keating, who contributed $1.3 million to the senators' re-election campaigns and other pet causes, has been indicted on state securities and fraud charges in California and is the target of a continuing federal grand jury probe.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2614.36	off	7.92
20 Trans	916.79	up	1.50
15 Utils	209.32	off	1.00
65 Stocks	918.21	off	1.96

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#90347u1331 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Thursday	2614.36	off	7.92	916.79	up	1.50	209.32	off	1.00
Wednesday	2622.28	up	36.14	915.29	up	10.12	210.32	up	1.25
Week ago	2602.48	off	7.92	913.79	up	10.12	211. 27	off	1.44
Month ago	2545.05	off	14.60	867.97	off	9.62	207. 43	off	1.32
Year ago	2753.63	off	7.46	1185.63	off	17.78	234. 66	up	1.20
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		

1989 Low	2144.64	887.94	181.84

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#90347u1342 12/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:
Stocks - 10,910,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,203,874,570
Bonds - $4,660,000
1990 to date - $724,646,000

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#90347u1349 12/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday 26 points higher to 20 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	75.55	75.76	75.25	75.72	75.46
May	74.90	75.18	74.77	75.08	75.00
Jly	74.55	74.80	74.40	74.57	74.60
Oct	68.50	68.60	68.47	68.51	68.47
Dec	65.85	65.90	65.70	65.70	65.90
Mar	66.60	66.60	66.60	66.45	66.65
May	66.70	....	....	66.75	66.95

Estimated sales: 5,000 contracts
Open interest: 40,916 off 121
The World spot average: unavailable

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#90347u1353 12/13/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - President Bush welcomed seven of Saddam Hussein's former American hostages to the White House Thursday and said the Iraqi dictator deserves no reward for releasing them.

''Hell, no. Not one thing,'' Bush told reporters during a picture- taking session when asked if Saddam should receive a goodwill gesture in return. ''You don't want to reward a kidnapper.''

Flanked by the former captives, Bush also said that he expects to be able to defuse the tension in the Persian Gulf. ''One way or the other, I will,'' said Bush, who has threatened war.

The meeting marked the first time Bush has met with any of the former hostages and took place just hours after a third U.S.-chartered freedom plane left

Baghdad, this one carrying 32 U.S. citizens.

The flight raised to 201 the number of Americans evacuated from Kuwait and Iraq during the past five days, and the White House said it now believes all Americans who want to leave have done so. About 500 remain behind.

The former hostages who met with Bush Thursday were identified by the White House as: Bill Rodebush of Oklahoma; John Cole of Texas; Glenn Coleman of Massachusetts; Ernest Alexander of Pennsylvania; Robert Hanby of Gahanna, Ohio; Antonio Mireles of Annandale, Va.; and Ralph Montgomery of Florida.

Some were held as ''human shields.'' Others took refuge in the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait. Others still hid from Iraqi troops in Kuwait and Iraq.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Bush called the meeting to receive their first-hand accounts of life in occupied Kuwait and Iraq and to learn more about the actions and atrocities of Iraqi troops.

''I am very anxious to hear from every one of you,'' Bush told the former hostages before reporters were escorted from the Cabinet Room. ''Who wants to go first?''

Overall, since Iraq's Aug. 2 takeover of Kuwait, more than 2,500 Americans have been evacuated from Iraq and Kuwait, and another 800 have escaped.

Among those evacuated Thursday were Nathaniel Howell, the U.S. ambassador to Kuwait, and four of his staffers. Their departure effectively shut down the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait, which had remained open in defiance of Saddam.

''We feel that the mission of the embassy in Kuwait to evacuate the Americans in the area has been completed,'' said State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler.

''And for that reason, Ambassador Howell and his staff were authorized to depart,'' she said. ''They took all necessary measures to assure that there would be no security compromises.''

Fitzwater said if any of the remaining Americans decide to leave at a later point, they would likely be able to do so on daily commercial flights.

The press secretary said Bush withheld meeting with any former hostages until all Americans who wanted to leave Kuwait and Iraq had been able to do so because he did not want to ''raise their value.''

Bush has maintained from the beginning of the gulf crisis that he would not negotiate for the release of the hostages and demanded that Saddam withdraw from Kuwait unconditionally.

Saddam, in a surprise Dec. 6 announcement, said he would release all hostages. The action came just a week after Bush proposed high-level talks between the United States and Iraq.

Dates for those talks have not yet been agreed upon.

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#90347u1354 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 307.71, low 306.44, close 306.71, off 1.00.

There was a loss of 3 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,910,000 shares, compared with 11, 730,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	9
New Lows	49
Advances	251
Declines	311
Unchanged	276
Total Issues	838

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#90347u1358 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 13) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Thursday	- 10,204,000
1990 to date	- 2,373,721,000

The market closed slightly lower.

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#90347u1363 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks	- 162,110,000 shares
1990 to date	- 38,173,467,151
Warrants	- 886,300
1990 to date	- 249,942,300

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#90347u1364 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Intel Corp	(INTC)	57,201,860	36 1/4	off 1/2
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	55,895,484	40 3/4	up 1 1/8
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	50,446,560	19 3/8	off 3/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	48,048,360	72 3/4	up 1/4
Immunex Corp	(IMNX)	35,019,860	38 1/2	unch
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	34,564,700	56 1/2	up 2
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	32,383,836	39 5/8	up 5/8
Liz Claiborne	(LIZC)	23,898,772	30 1/4	unch
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	21,737,428	32 3/4	up 1 1/4
Biomet Inc	(BMET)	20,629,840	36 1/4	up 1 3/4

Composite Index 164.00 up 0.52

NMS volume 95,700,200 shares.

Advances	782
Declines	697
Unchanged	1,289
Total	2,768

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#90347u1367 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Thursday - $47,810,000

1990 to date - $10,450,127,000

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#90347u1376 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	306.71	off 1.00
High Technology	328.01	off 0.12
Capital Goods	327.21	up 2.23
Consumer Goods	396.68	off 0.97
Service	727.43	off 1.96
Retail	1,025.45	up 8.45
Financial	353.62	off 2.81
Natural Resources	212.49	off 1.55
Housing-Const-Land	234.06	off 2.37

There was a loss of 3 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	410.23	off 2.49
Mid Atlantic	423.70	off 1.03
No Central	413.88	up 1.18
So Atlantic	892.08	up 4.94
So Central	300.25	off 0.81

Mountain	106.09 off 0.01
Pacific	355.43 off 0.60
Foreign	211.32 off 1.72

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#90347u1377 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - The dollar firmed up against the main currencies in thin New York trading Thursday after the U.S. government released data showing retail sales in decline, but not as sharply as some had expected.

The Commerce Department said November retail sales slumped 0.1 percent after falling a revised 0.2 percent in October - but some economists were predicting a much sharper spending decline of up to 0.8 percent.

"The dollar's a touch firmer on the fact that retail sales weren't as bad as people expected," Earl Johnson, a Harris Bank vice president and foreign exchange analysts based in Chicago, said, citing "real thin" trading.

Late in the New York session, the dollar was trading at 1.4788 German marks, up from 1.4755 marks Wednesday, and 132.20 Japanese yen, up from 131.55. The British pound fell back to $1.9450 from $1.9500.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2670 Swiss francs, up from 1.2615; 5.0255 French francs, up from 5.0100; and 1,115 Italian lire, up from 1,112.

Unlike some analysts, Johnson sees no change in sentiment favoring the U.S. unit. "It's premature to talk about a stronger dollar," he said. U.S. interest rates stand to fall a whole percentage point over the next four or five months he said, while German and Japanese rates should stay firm. "For me, that's a prescription for a weaker dollar," he said.

Only a Persian Gulf flareup or efforts to rescue the greenback by Group of Seven major industrial economies will create a true dollar rally, he said.

In Europe, the dollar closed mostly higher in aimless trading amid uncertainty over whether the Federal Reserve will cut U.S. interest rates further.

The dollar gained in late trading after Iraq denounced the United States for rejecting its proposed date for the start of talks in Baghdad, accusing the Bush administration of merely seeking a cover for war. Iraq wants the talks to begin Jan. 12 - three days before the United Nations' deadline for Iraq to end its occupation of Kuwait.

The Deutsche Bundesbank's decision to maintain German interest rates at the current level had little effect in currency markets. Dealers disagreed on whether the stronger-than-expected U.S. retail sales were positive or neutral for the dollar.

The dollar closed higher in Frankfurt at 1.4792 German marks against 1.4758 Wednesday but was unchanged in Zurich at 1.2635 Swiss francs. In London, the pound closed unchanged at $1.9440.

The dollar rose in Paris, at 5.0160 French francs vs. 5.0070, and in Milan, at 1,113.60 lire vs. 1,110.75, but closed slightly lower in Brussels, at 30.64 Belgian francs vs. 30.66 Wednesday.

Sterling gained on other monies after Norman Lamont, Britain's chancellor of the exchequer, said interest rates would not fall until the pound strengthened within the European currency stabilization grid. Later in the session, sterling slipped on data showing the largest monthly increase in British joblessness in more than nine years.

In Tokyo earlier, the dollar fell against the Japanese yen in expectation of lower U.S. interest rates, closing at 131.30 yen vs. Wednesday's 131.88.

Mitsuhiko Kinugasa, Daiwa Bank's chief dealer, said market players focused on a possible interest rate hike by the Bundesbank.

In Zurich, gold closed unchanged at $371.50 an ounce but rose in London to $372.25 an ounce from $371.25.

Silver closed lower in both Zurich, at $4.00 an ounce vs. $4.05, and London, at $4.00 compared with $4.04.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $373.50 an ounce, up from $372 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled gold contracts at $374.30 an ounce, ahead from $372.70 the previous day.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.025 an ounce, down from $4.045. Comex silver ended trading at $4.006 an ounce, off from $4.026.

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#90347u1388 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
AT&T Co	2,313,100	31	up 5/8
Vista Chemical	2,068,400	53 3/4	up 28 3/4
Genl Motors	2,016,300	34 1/4	off 1
Toys R Us	1,841,500	23 1/2	off 1 1/8
Philip Morris	1,841,300	51 1/4	off 1/8
Motorola Inc	1,745,700	50 1/2	off 2
Ford Motors	1,680,600	25 3/4	off 1 1/2

GTE Corp	1,569,200	30 3/8	up 1/2
Hilton Hotels	1,563,700	39 1/2	off 2 5/8
Citicorp	1,529,000	14 1/8	off 3/8
Burlington Res	1,309,800	39 1/8	up 1 5/8
Occidntel Petrol	1,303,400	20 1/4	off 1/2
PepsiCo	1,135,900	26 5/8	up 1/8
Chrysler Corp	1,109,400	12 1/4	up 1/8
IBM Corp	1,093,100	112 7/8	off 1 1/2

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#90347u1394 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Energy Service	479,500	2 3/8	up 1/8
Alza Corp	447,800	46 1/2	unch
Western Digital	421,900	4 3/4	off 1/8
Americus GTE sc	283,200	9 1/8	up 1/2
Fruit of Loom	276,300	8 7/8	up 1/8
New York Times A	270,800	19 1/4	off 5/8
Hillhaven Corp	269,700	1 3/4	unch
Contl Air Hldgs	236,200	2 1/4	unch
Bolar Pharm Co	181,800	2 1/2	off 1/8
Salomon wt93Jan	180,300	17 1/8	off 1/4

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#90347u1397 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - The United States and the Soviet Union announced Thursday that they will be opening new consulates general in Kiev and New York.

The consulates had been planned for more than five years, but became side-lined in 1986 amid mutual charges that they would be used for espionage and subversion against the other government.

The announcement follows by one day the agreement by President Bush to grant the Soviet Union up to $1 billion in agricultural credit guarantees and other concessions designed to help the Soviet government get through winter.

Under the agreement, the U.S. government will open temporary offices in Kiev, in the Ukraine, and the Soviets will open another office in New York City, in addition to the Soviet Mission to the United Nations.

In their meeting Wednesday, Secretary of state James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze also talked about eventually eliminating closed areas in both countries.

Soviet diplomats in Washington and U.S. diplomats in Moscow are prohibited from traveling more than 25 miles from the city's center without special permission.

The United States proposed scrapping that provision at a Baker- Shevardnadze meeting in September 1989, but bureaucratic problems prevented the beginning of what U.S. officials called their ''Open Lands'' proposal.

The two new consulates are designed to take care of growing tourism and business contacts between the two countries.

In the past, the FBI had objected to the Soviets establishing a new mission in New York. The agency argued that Moscow used such officies mainly to expand espionage capabilities in the United States. The FBI also said that keeping track of spies was costing too much money.

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#90347u1410 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	22.65-22.75	21.40-21.50
North Sea Brent	27.20-27.25	25.60-25.70
West Texas Intermed	26.40-26.45	25.30-25.35
Light Louisiana Sweet	27.80-27.90	26.75-26.85
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	65.05-65.30	64.25-64.50
No. 2 Heating oil	74.80-75.05	75.40-75.65
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	62.15-62.40	60.75-61.00
No. 2 Heating oil	71.55-71.75	71.90-72.05

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#90347u1413 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill. (DEC. 13) UPI - A U.S. Marine Reservist who said last month he would not join his unit when it left for the Persian Gulf was arrested early Thursday, officials said.

Lance Cpl. Eric Hayes, 24, of University City, Mo., a suburb of St. Louis, was arrested at 2 a.m. Thursday at his apartment on the campus of Southern

Illinois University at Edwardsville, a university spokesman said.

Hayes did not resist arrest on a deserter absentee warrant by two military police officers and three U.S. marshals, said Willie Greason, chief deputy for the U.S. marshal's office in East St. Louis.

Hayes was taken to Scott Air Force Base, about 20 miles east of St. Louis, where he was held until a Marine Corps aircraft picked him up, a base spokesman said.

Marine officials were expected to take Hayes to Camp Lejeune, N.C., where his combat unit was undergoing training. His unit, the Dragon Platoon of the 3rd Battalion, 24th Marine Reserve Division, is being deployed this week to Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield.

A spokesman for the Marine Corps said Hayes would be assigned a lawyer as soon as possible and that he probably would face court-martial at Camp Lejeune.

Hayes, a senior majoring in psychology at SIU-Edwardsville and president of the campus's Black Students Association, held a news conference at the university Nov. 30 to announce he was refusing orders to report for active duty and would seek status as a conscientious objector.

''I refuse to be a pawn in America's power play for oil profits in the Middle East,'' Hayes said at the news conference. ''I refuse orders to activate me into the regular Marines. I declare myself a conscientious objector.''

On the same day, some 200 members of his unit reported for active duty at its command headquarters at Lambert-St. Louis International Airport. The Dragon Platoon is an anti-tank assault unit.

The reservist had continued his studies at the university since his announcement. Final examinations for the fall quarter are being held this week.

Hayes enlisted in the Marine Reserves in August 1986 for six years of active service and two years of inactive service.

With his announcement, Hayes became one of about 30 members of the Armed Forces publicly refusing orders to report for active duty in the Middle East.

Bill Ramsey, a spokesman for the American Friends Service Committee, said several members of the group protested Thursday outside Scott Air Force Base after learning of Hayes' arrest. The committee is a Quaker organization that has supported the rights of individuals to refuse military service for reasons of conscience since its founding in 1917.

''It is not his will to be shipped,'' Ramsey said. ''He specifically and publicly said that he was not going to Saudi Arabia, and we're going to to

everything we can to support him in that stance.''

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#90347u1415 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.25	up 0.13
10 Public Utils	93.05	off 0.13
10 Industrials	89.46	up 0.40

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 126.14 up 0.16.

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#90347u1416 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2622.52	2640.59	2598.76	2614.36	off 7.92
20 Trans	914.92	925.22	907.23	916.79	up 1.50
15 Utils	208.94	210.45	207.49	209.32	off 1.00
65 Stock	919.05	926.48	911.22	918.21	off 1.96

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

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Trans	3,130,200	3,486,400
Utils	2,941,300	5,446,900
65 Stock	23,204,500	29,733,600

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#90347u1418 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net Chg.	Week ago	Year ago

Composite	371.50	up	1.08	372.29	447.48
Industrial	401.04	up	1.45	402.27	436.51
Finance	364.77	up	0.51	368.66	505.01
Insurance	457.34	up	4.50	448.48	557.28
Utility	475.89	off	1.53	472.73	721.98
Bank	257.34	off	0.78	259.21	397.01
Transport	411.27	up	4.10	410.50	492.46

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 164.00 up 0.52

Industrial Index 160.10 up 0.62

NASDAQ-100 Index 396.06 up 0.01

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#90347u1423 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 13) UPI - Hallmark Cards Inc. has named Harry F. Frigon, formerly a senior executive with BATUS Inc., to oversee corporate development in a restructuring of top management at the privately held company.

The greeting card giant said Wednesday that Frigon, who served as president and chief executive officer at BATUS, would hold the new post of Hallmark's executive vice president-corporate development and strategy. He also will serve as chief financial officer. "We were looking for a particular blend of executive experience," Hallmark spokesman Steve Doyal said Thursday.

Before joining BATUS, a holding company owned by Britain's B.A.T. Industries PLC, Frigon held a variety of operating, corporate and management positions with such companies as Masco Corp., General Housewares and General Foods Corp. At BATUS, the 56-year-old Frigon was responsible for the company's holdings in paper, retailing, financial services and tobacco.

"Hank Frigon has extensive expertise in corporate financing, retailing and in international operations," said Irvine Hockaday, Hallmark president and chief executive officer. "That expertise will serve Hallmark well as we integrate corporate strategies across the company and work to extend our existing business, expand our international markets and explore additional new sources of earnings."

Hallmark also said it has created a corporate executive committee that replaces the office of the chairman, which has been disbanded by Hallmark Chairman Donald J. Hall.

The executive committee includes Frigon, Hockaday, Robert L. Stark, who is

president of the company's personal communications group, and Robert A. Kipp, group vice president-corporate communications and services.

Another change announced Wednesday is the re-naming of Hallmark's Social Expression Group to "Personal Communications Group," which Hallmark said better describes the group's mission. The restructuring is part of a plan called "Hallmark 2000: New Departures," a plan designed to set the company's direction into the next decade and beyond.

Hockaday told Hallmark workers in an employee publication the company would continue to be "governed by the beliefs and values that Hall family ownership has instilled in us."

"But Hallmark also will be committed to a broader definition of our core business, a more global presence in world markets and a much expanded view of the scope of our possibilities."

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(DEC. 13) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	242.40	242.45	240.90	241.90	241.90
Mar	243.50	244.45	242.85	243.60	243.70
Jun	....	....	....	245.50	245.60
Sep	....	....	....	247.90	248.00

Estimated volume: 57 contracts.

Open interest: 1,384 off 1

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	331.00	331.85	329.10	329.95	331.55
Mar	333.75	334.35	331.70	332.50	334.10
Jun	337.25	337.25	335.00	335.50	337.00
Sep	....	340.20	338.00	338.50	339.90

Estimated volume: 69,644 contracts.

Open interest: 165,994 off 2,280

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	180.65	181.15	179.70	180.10	181.05
Mar	181.90	182.40	181.05	181.40	182.35

Jun	183.40	183.60	183.05	182.80	183.75

Open interest: 4,937 up 266

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	549.70	551.00	546.75	547.30	550.35
Jan	551.00	553.00	549.10	549.40	552.50
Feb	552.15	552.75	549.25	549.40	552.75

Estimated volume: 5,888 contracts.

Open interest: 9,558 up 379

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	386.28	234.41	145.27	23.66	330.19
Opening	386.62	233.69	145.01	23.60	330.26
11 a.m.	386.30	233.99	144.69	23.62	329.98
Noon	386.30	234.08	144.96	23.63	330.07
1 p.m.	385.94	233.76	144.89	23.54	329.71
2 p.m.	385.31	233.35	144.75	23.50	329.20
3 p.m.	385.73	233.88	144.88	23.51	329.54
Close	385.42	234.35	144.87	23.51	329.34
Change	off 0.86	off 0.06	off 0.40	off 0.15	off 0.85

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#90347u1451 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 13) UPI - The official Iraqi News Agency says the government is angry over U-S allegations that Iraq is trying to stall high-level contacts with the United States. U-S officials rejected the Iraqi proposal for talks in Baghdad on January 12th as being too close to the U-N deadline for a withdrawal from Kuwait. The agency quotings an Iraqi Foreign Ministry official as saying Iraq will reject any U-S-imposed date. In his words- ''Iraq alone will fix a date for the talks.''

For the first time in six months, retail sales declined in November. The Commerce Department says retail sales were off one-tenth of one percent last month, though sales would have gained two-tenths of one percert if automobile sales were excluded. The government said the November dip followed a revised gain of two-tenths of one percent in October.

The Office of Thrift Control reports that savings and loans NOT under government control lost 631-point-four-Million dollars during the third quarter of the year. And many of the losses came because of declining real estate values. O-T-C Director Timothy Ryan says fourth-quarter losses will be

even greater and he sees NO reversal until real estate markets improve.

President Bush has lost another member of his team. William Bennett says he does NOT want to become Republican Party chairman. Bennett recently stepped down as head of the nation's anti-drug campaign and now says he canNOT take up the party chairmanship from Lee Atwater, who is suffering from a brain tumor. Bush also is looking for replacements for Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole and Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos , both of whom have resigned.

South Korean President Roh Tae Woo arrived in Moscow today on the first-ever visit to the Soviet capital by a leader from Seoul. Roh was accompanied by his wife and a 15-member entourage for a series of meetings with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. The two had their first meeting at the Kremlin shortly after Roh arrived.

On the Korean Peninsula itself, the prime ministers of North and South Korea ended a third round of talks with NO agreement on how to end the 45-year division of their nation. But despite the lack of progress, the leaders agreed to meet again on February 25th in the North Korean capital.

Four hand-made crosses... the largest just eight inches high... will remain on the Christmas tree in the Pennsylvania state Capitol rotunda in Harrisburg. A federal judge has refused to order their removal, rejecting arguments that they represent the establishment of Christianity as a state religion. The American Civil Liberties Union filed the action, alleging that its members were so shocked by the sight of the crosses made by Pennsylvania senior citizens that they would change their routes in walking through the Capitol.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6775	off 125
Vista Chemical	53 3/4	up 28 3/4
Capital Cities	445	off 5
Enron Corp pf	184 3/8	off 4 3/8
Genetech	24	off 3 1/4
Fiat pf	21	off 3
Union Elec pfG	73	up 3
Hilton Hotels	39 3/8	off 2 3/4
Ralston Purina	101 3/8	up 2 3/4
Wabash RR pf	62	up 2 5/8
Atl Richfld pfC	288 1/2	off 2 1/2

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Stocks closed mixed in active trading Thursday, with the Dow industrials pressured by a late jump in oil prices but the broad market narrowly higher.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which surged 36.14 Wednesday, fell 7.92 to close at 2614.36.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index lost 0.19 to 180.06. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index slid 0.85 to 329.34. The price of an average share fell three cents.

Advances barely led declines 782-752 among the 2,029 issues crossing the Big Board tape. Volume totaled 162,110,000 shares, down from 182,270,000 traded Wednesday.

Stocks opened slightly lower and drifted near Wednesday's closing levels in quiet trading through midday. But in the afternoon, the Dow slid further when oil prices climbed. January crude oil futures closed up $1.07 at $26.42 a barrel, pressured by jitters about the failure of the United States and Iraq thus far to agree on a date r talks on the Persian Gulf crisis.

"Oil prices might have had something to do with the late drop, but we still were only down 8 (on the Dow), so I don't think it had a whole lot of effect," said Dale Tills, manager of institutional equity trading at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco. "I think it looks like the advance is petering out. There just don't seem to be enough people interested in moving the market to new highs," said Tills.

He noted the blue-chip Dow industrials have run up from the low 2500s, largely on prospects for lower interest rates and a peaceful solution to the Mideast crisis, but said the advance seems to be getting a bit tired. "Everybody is still real skeptical about the fundmentals of this market, the economy and everything," he said.

"It's going to take probably a little bit more to break through the resistance at the 2635 level. There's going to have to be positive news from the (interest) rate area or the Mideast to blast through those levels to 2700," said Tills.

One of the few bright spots was the chemical sector, which rallied on news that Vista Chemical agreed to be acquired by a major German oil and petrochemical company for more than $590 million.

On the trading floor, AT&T, which has launched a tender offer to acquire computer manufacturer NCR Corp., was the most active issue, up 5/8 to 31.

Vista Chemical followed, catapulting 28 3/4 to 53 3/4 and leading the rest of the chemical sector higher. Quantum Chemical gained 3/4 to 15 1/8, BFGoodrich added 7/8 to 39 3/4, and Olin gained one to 38 1/2.

Despite recording higher sales for early December, General Motors was third, down one to 34 1/4.

Toys 'R' Us was next, off 1 1/8 to 23 1/2. A Salomon Brothers analyst was said to cut his earnings estimate for the retailer's current fiscal year.

Elsewhere, Hilton Hotels plunged 2 5/8 to 39 1/2 in heavy trading after surging Wednesday on takeover speculation.

Among the other blue chips, IBM fell 1 1/2 to 112 7/8, General Electric lost 3/4 to 56 1/4 and American Express fell 1/2 to 21 5/8, while Woolworth jumped 1 1/8 to 30 1/4 and Union Carbide added 3/4 to 17 1/2.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 197,246,580 shares, compared with 219,281,310 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index lost 1.00 to close at 306.71. Declines led advances 311-253 among the 841 issues traded. The price of an average share lost three cents. Composite volume totaled 13,766,270 shares vs. 14,901,290 traded Wednesday. Energy Service led the Amex issues, up 1/8 to 2 3/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 1.08 to 371.50.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	31	32	57
New lows	45	62	48

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	780	72,182,800
Declines	754	71,863,400
Unchanged	495	18,063,800
Total	2,029	162,110,000

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(DEC. 13) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 9
New lows 49

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	251	3,550,700
Declines	311	4,439,400
Unchanged	276	2,919,900
Total	838	10,910,000

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(DEC. 13) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.26	7.36	8.51
91-day Treasury bills	7.04	7.00	7.63
182-day Treasury bills	7.05	6.99	7.40
1-year Treasury bills	7.10	7.03	7.21
3-year Treasury notes	7.40	7.31	7.69
7-year Treasury notes	7.89	7.81	7.99
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.13	8.06	7.85
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.54	8.55	8.66
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.50	9.45	9.09
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.57	8.52	8.74
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.85	8.76	8.85
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.08	8.99	9.08
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.06	8.97	9.06

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - A Pentagon official said Thursday all options are open in the Pentagon's review of the A-12 Avenger stealth attack plane, a sign the program might end up in even deeper trouble.

Defense Secretary Richard Cheney told Congress in April that development of

the carrier-based plane was on time and within budget, but weeks later he was embarrassed and the program went into a spin because the contractors said it was $1 billion over budget and more than a year late.

Three senior Navy officers associated with the program were fired or censured and the Pentagon's top procurement official, who had a hand in briefing Cheney about the program, has resigned. John Betti will be replaced Jan. 1 by his deputy until a successor can be nominated and confirmed.

The program is undergoing a review by Deputy Defense Secretary Donald Atwood, and Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams also ruled out Thursday any additional disciplinary actions in connection with the program.

He said that in the review, ''All options are under consideration.''

The plane, under development by General Dynamics and McDonnell Douglas, is designed to be a radar-evading replacement for the aging A-6 attack bomber now carried by aircraft carriers. The initial contract was for about $4.3 billion and the plane was to get its first flight this year. It is not expected to fly until next year at the earliest.

The principal focus of the review, said Williams, is on the plane itself.

''What do we do now, knowing what the inspector general's report (that triggered the punishments and Betti's resignation) says, knowing what the Navy's report says, what do we do about it? Do we continue on? Do we seek other options? That's the decision pending,'' said Williams.

He said he expected Cheney would make a decision this year because the fiscal 1992 budget must be finished soon for submission to Congress.

''It's going to have to be addressed before the budget package for '92 is ready,'' he said.

The Pentagon's investigation of the episode said that the Navy had the information showing the plane was experiencing cost and schedule overruns but the data was not viewed as something that should have set off alarm bells with senior officials sufficiently loud enough to have been heard by Cheney, who was getting ready to tell Congress about a major review of aviation programs, including the A-12.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	180.51	179.73	180.06	off 0.19
Industrial	222.89	222.30	222.48	off 0.14
Transport	142.97	142.46	142.97	up 0.09
Utility	91.81	91.66	91.81	off 0.10
Finance	122.82	122.36	122.36	off 0.51

Equivalent to a loss of 3 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 162,110,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	371.80	370.05	371.50	up 1.08
Industrial	401.27	399.57	401.04	up 1.45
Finance	365.80	363.47	364.77	up 0.51
Insurance	458.52	452.97	457.34	up 4.50
Utility	477.36	472.98	475.89	off 1.53
Bank	258.58	255.79	257.34	off 0.78
Transport	413.23	406.65	411.27	up 4.10

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	164.00	up 0.52
Industrial Index	160.10	up 0.62
NASDAQ-100 Index	396.06	up 0.01
(largest non-fin'cl)		
Average price per share	8.32	up 0.02
Volume	95,700,200	shares
Advances	782	
Declines	697	
Unchanged	1,289	
Total	2,768	

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter --day as supplied by NASD.

Volume 122,017,900

Advances	937
Declines	859
Unchanged	2,392
Total	4,188

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - For the first time ever, the military has activated an emergency civilian blood collection program in case of a Persian Gulf war and civilian hospitals have been told they may get casualties, Pentagon officials said Thursday.

The American Red Cross and American Association of Blood Banks have been notified by the Pentagon to activate an emergency blood supply contract called the Armed Services Blood Program.

''The reason we are doing this to ensure we have adequate blood to support the expected influx of personnel to Operation Desert Shield by early next year,'' Pentagon spokeswoman Susan Hansen said.

Hansen emphasized that the Defense Department will continue to conduct its own blood drives among active and reserve military personnel and their relatives. ''This (the civilian drive) represents a small supplement to what we need overall,'' she said.

Beginning Monday, civilian groups have been asked to begin sending 375 units of blood to the McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey each week and were told to prepare to supply a minimum of 800 units of blood per day if fighting breaks out, blood association officials said. A unit equals about one pint of blood.

In addition, Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said civilian hospitals that belong to a medical program similar to one that allows civilian airliners to be pressed into military service have been contacted, but he refused to name the hospitals.

The civilian facilities, Williams said, would be asked to take war casualties if the domestic network of military and Veterans Administration hospitals were fully taxed or if some wounds required medical specialities not commonly found at military hospitals.

Although the military has had an agreement with civilian blood centers to supply blood in emergencies since World War II, the plan has never before been invoked, even during the Vietnam War, officials said.

''The problem is they just deployed a lot of troops and are implementing this contract to cover themselves - to make sure their needs are met,'' said Marcia

Lane of the American Association of Blood Banks, which operates 2,400 blood centers nationwide.

The United States has sent some 400,000 troops to Saudi Arabia as part of the Operation Desert Shield, which was sparked by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. The United Nations has authorized the use of force against Iraq Jan. 15 if Saddam Hussein does not pull all of his troops out of Kuwait.

''This is unusual because the military didn't need to ask us for it (blood) during Vietnam. My guess is Vietnam was a long, drawn out, low- level conflict whereas if conflict does occur in the gulf it will be much more intense and therefore require much more blood at once to treat the wounded soldiers,'' said Elizabeth Hall of the American Red Cross.

In addition to compensating for the lack of military donors, the activation of the contract is aimed at making sure any problems with the system are worked out before blood is needed urgently for wounded soldiers, officials said.

''It's sort of a preparedness measure for both the Red Cross and military to ensure smooth shipment if needed,'' Hall said. ''Just in case they need us they want to make sure the system is working to get it to them.''

The request for 375 units of blood weekly will not put a strain on the civilian blood collection system and neither association plans to call for more donations immediately, officials said.

But Lane noted that donations typically drop off during the holiday season and urged Americans to continue to donate. However, if the need escalates to 800 units of blood per day or more, extra measures would be needed.

Currently, the Red Cross collects about 4.2 million units of blood per year, which represents about half the nation's blood supply.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 13) UPI - Fare wars returned with a vengeance to California this week as airlines, facing increasingly tight-fisted customers, slashed their lowest prices on the key Los Angeles-San Francisco routes to $20 for a one-way trip.

"The airlines don't really have much choice - they have to generate some business," said travel industry analyst Daniel Hersh of the Los Angeles investment firm Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards in an interview Thursday.

"The fare cuts point up the fact that there are a lot of empty seats flying around in California," Hersh said. "The outlook for the economy is starting to sink out here, too."

The new fares are for 21-day non-refundable tickets purchased in advance and for flights between Jan. 3 and Feb. 28, traditionally the slowest travel period of the year.

As in the past, the California cuts were started by discounter Southwest Airlines, which reduced its 21-day fares last week from $29 to $20 on flights between Ontario and Burbank in Southern California and Oakland. The cuts were then matched by the major carriers serving the north-south corridor - American Delta, United, and USAir.

The number of seats available are limited and the fares are generally of no use to business travelers, who face with walk-up coach fares of up to $220 for a one-way ticket.

Dallas-based Southwest traditionally discounts its flights at this time of year, Hersh noted. "They can afford to discount - that's how they're set up," he said.

However, discounting is more problematic for the major Los Angeles-San Francisco carriers. The corridor accounts for about five percent of the domestic market and is the sixth-busiest in the nation. "We lose money on these fares," said Tim Smith, a spokesman for American. "What we're doing is protecting market share and maintaining brand loyalty."

USAir spokesman Larry Pickett echoed the sentiment: "We're certainly not making any money on these fares. When you include taxes and increased fuel costs, there's not much there for profit."

USAir announced last month it would slightly scale back its California flights next year, but that has been the only retrenchment so far in the state.

"I would have expected USAir would be the logical candidate to pull back, since they are in the worst shape financially," Hersh said. "But they seem to be hanging in there."

One travel agent said she thinks the cuts are certain to produce increased volume for the carriers. "I think it's a nice gift," said Amy Bernard, a travel agent in Pasadena, Calif. "I've been getting kind of embarrassed quoting the increased fares elsewhere. I see it being done as much for image-polishing as anything else."

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austral	.000203	.000203	4924.00	4929.00
Australia dlr	.7587	.7661	1.3180	1.3053
Austria schill	.0960	.0962	10.42	10.40
Belgium franc-c	.0327	.0326	30.60	30.64
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0069	.0069	145.02	145.16
Britain pound	1.9445	1.9440	.5143	.5144
Britain 1-mo	1.9339	1.9332	.5171	.5173
Britain 3-mo	1.9165	1.9156	.5218	.5220
Britain 6-mo	1.8949	1.8941	.5277	.5280
Canada dollar	.8621	.8618	1.1600	1.1604
Canada 1-mo	.8590	.8586	1.1641	1.1647
Canada 3-mo	.8533	.8542	1.1719	1.1707
Canada 6-mo	.8460	.8456	1.1821	1.1826
Chile peso-f	.003078	.003079	324.92	324.74
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001824	.001827	548.17	547.39
Denmark krne	.1757	.1758	5.6910	5.6875
Ecudr sucre-z	.001151	.001152	868.73	867.75
Egypt pound	.3551	.3539	2.8161	2.8259
Finlnd mrkka	.2807	.2805	3.5630	3.5650
France franc	.1991	.1993	5.0230	5.0180
France 1-mo	.1987	.1989	5.0317	5.0265
France 3-mo	.1978	.1981	5.0547	5.0486
France 6-mo	.1965	.1967	5.0900	5.0843
Greece drach	.006641	.006641	150.58	150.58
Hollnd guildr	.5998	.6017	1.6673	1.6620
HongKong dlr	.1282	.1282	7.8020	7.8005
India rupee	.0557	.0557	17.95	17.95
Indo'sa rupia	.000533	.000534	1875.00	1872.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.8000	1.8015	0.5556	0.5551
Israel shekel	.5033	.5033	1.9870	1.9870
Italy lira	.000898	.000900	1114.00	1110.75
Japan yen	.007579	.007602	131.95	131.55
Japan 1-mo	.007605	.007634	131.50	131.00
Japan 3-mo	.007637	.007666	130.95	130.45
Japan 6-mo	.007689	.007755	130.05	128.95
Jordan dinar	1.5605	1.5461	.6408	.6468
Kuwait dinar	3.4258	3.4258	0.2919	0.2919
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000342	.000342	2921.00	2921.00
N.Zealand dlr	.5965	.5993	1.6764	1.6686

Norway krne	.1724	.1729	5.8020	5.7840
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	541,750	492,500
P'pnes peso-z	.0364	.0364	27.46	27.46
Portugl escud	.007710	.007701	129.70	129.85
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5841	.5841	1.7120	1.7120
S.Africa rand	.3992	.3996	2.5047	2.5022
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010607	.010593	94.28	94.40
Sweden krona	.1792	.1795	5.5800	5.5725
Switzrl franc	.7908	.7935	1.2646	1.2602
Switzrl 1-mo	.7893	.7933	1.2669	1.2606
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7886	.7915	1.2680	1.2635
Switzrl 6-mo	.7867	.7891	1.2711	1.2672
Taiwan dollar	.0375	.0375	26.66	26.65
Turkey lira	.000356	.000357	2812.00	2799.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2725	3.6632	3.6692
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0202	.0202	49.59	49.59
Germany mark	.6776	.6777	1.4758	1.4755
Germany 1-mo	.6768	.6769	1.4776	1.4773
Germany 3-mo	.6749	.6749	1.4818	1.4817
Germany 6-mo	.6716	.6716	1.4889	1.4889
Yugosl dinar	.0989	.0991	10.11	10.09

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.95	9.60
Anchor Fund Inv	14.33	15.20
Delaware Mutual	17.13	18.37
Fidelity Fund	16.64	NL
Investor Mutual	11.30	11.90
Investor Stocks	18.57	19.55
Investor Select	8.55	9.00
IDS Equity Plus	9.03	9.50
MFS Growth Stk	8.90	9.60
Nicholas Income	3.10	NL
Utd Accumulated	6.25	6.83
United Income	17.21	18.81
Vang Wellington	16.21	NL

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(DEC. 13) UPI - American Telephone & Telegraph Co. was poised Thursday to begin a proxy fight to oust NCR Corp. directors if the NCR board persists in its opposition to AT&T's takeover efforts.

But NCR was lining up meetings with its institutional investors to seek their support in the battle against AT&T's $6.1 billion hostile takeover bid, while drafting a formal response to the communications giant's unsolicited $90 a share tender offer.

A Cleveland investment adviser who counsels several major institutional investors with holdings in NCR said the company has scheduled meetings with the institutions' representatives to discuss the takeover bid.

An AT&T spokesman said the company was prepared to begin a proxy fight if NCR directors formally oppose the tender offer, but emphasized that no decision had yet been made whether to proceed with a proxy solicitation.

An AT&T source, however, noted, "We could get all the paperwork filed tomorrow (Friday) and be sending proxy solicitations by the end of the day." "But we still hope they (NCR directors) will see the sense of this combination and we will be able to reach a friendly agreement," he added.

A lawyer familiar with the situation said a proxy solicitation would bring pressure against NCR to accept a merger and, if successful, allow AT&T to neutralize NCR's antitakover defenses.

The NCR board has yet to adopt a formal response to the cash tender offer, though company sources say directors are certain to turn thumbs down, as they did with two previous stock-for-stock merger proposals by AT&T.

NCR directors met in New York to review their situation Thursday - a day after Chairman Charles E. Exley Jr. revealed he had received expressions of interest from several potential white knights who might help NCR elude AT&T's grasp.

There was no statement from NCR following the meeting - indicating they had yet to complete drafting of their formal response and recommendation to stockholders on the AT&T bid.

An NCR spokesman said the company would not issue any statement until it had filed its official response to the tender offer with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and noted that the deadline for filing is Dec. 19.

AT&T launched its cash tender offer exactly a week ago after NCR directors rejected a $90 a share, stock-for-stock merger proposal, amdeded and

strengthened the company's antitakever Shareholder Rights plan, and said there could be no negotiations unless AT&T upped its offer to $125 a share.

And a senior AT&T executive said NCR demanded that the company sign a three-year standstill agreement to see confidential financial information NCR directors said would substantiate the $125 pricetag.

New York-based AT&T proposes to combine its computer business with NCR in a new corporate entity that would operate under the NCR name and with present NCR management.

AT&T went into the computer business seven years ago but has had trouble getting established. The company had hoped its computer sector would break even for the first time in the fourth quarter. Analysts say that, apparently, is not to be. AT&T contends NCR is a perfect partner for AT&T's computer business, because both companies focus on networking and open computer systems.

"Our decision to make the proposal to NCR was after a long period of evaluation of NCR's capabilities and potential aa well as its culture and the quality of its management and its position with customers," said Bob Kavner, former AT&T chief financial officer and currently group executive in charge of the company's computer systems group.

"When you go through each of those categories and match them up with where AT&T is at, there is a remarkable cohesiveness," he said. Exley, however, has contended that AT&T is trying to dump its troubles on NCR - along with a hefty debt for financing the takeover.

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DETROIT (DEC. 13) UPI - The nation's leading automakers said Thursday sales of domestically made cars and light-duty trucks during early December rose a combined 22.3 percent, but the gains were measured against extremely weak sales in the year-ago period.

Sales of domestically built cars alone during the Dec. 1-10 period rose 27.8 percent from a year ago when measured on a sales-per-day basis. Light truck sales rose 14.3 percent.

The annual sales rate for domestically built cars - the most common measure of industry performance - was 6.5 million cars during the latest period vs. a weak 5.0 million rate last year.

But Tom Webb, chief economist of the National Automobile Dealers Association, cautioned against reading too much into the industry's latest performance. "The upturn from November's dreadful finish is heartening," Webb said, but he added "the comparisons are against a disasterous year-ago period."

Webb said that "deteriorating confidence in the economy is producing a self-perpetuating downward cycle" but that the industry can expect a modest rebound within six months if interest rates are lowered and there is a peaceful solution to the lingering Persian Gulf crisis.

Together, the nine companies - General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co., Chrysler Corp., American Honda Motor Co., Nissan Motor Manufacturing U.S.A., Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A., Mazda Motor Manufacturing (USA) Corp., Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America, Inc. and Subaru-Isuzu Automotive Inc. - reported sales of 137,024 cars and 83,968 trucks in the United States during the Dec. 1-10 period. This compares with 107,259 cars and 73,449 trucks sold in the year-ago period.

The daily selling rate of 27,624 vehicles compares with 22,589 vehicles sold each day for the same period last year. There were eight selling days in bothyears' selling periods.

So far in 1990, the automakers have sold 6.54 million domestically made cars, down 3.1 percent from the 6.72 million units sold in the comparable 1989 period when measured by sales per day.

Domestic light truck sales so far this year have totaled nearly 3.8 million units, off 3.3 percent from almost 3.92 million trucks sold during the same time span a year ago.

During the early-December period, sales of GM's domestically made cars rose 28.5 percent, while its truck sales rose 11.6 percent. Second-ranked Ford posted sales gains of 32.3 percent and 32.6 percent, respectively, in cars and trucks.

Chrysler's car sales rose 25.4 percent, but light truck sales, including Jeeps and minivans, declined 13.2 percent when compared with the combined total a year ago.

Among the smaller "transplant" automakers reporting sales of U.S.-built cars, Toyota posted a 47.4 percent gain from relatively low production volumes a year ago.

Toyota also began disclosing import sales on a ten-day basis effective with this period. Counting imported Toyota and Lexus models, its total U.S. car sales for early December rose 38.5 percent. Toyota's light truck sales, which are imports only, declined 12.6 percent.

Honda posted a 31.6 percent drop in sales of its domestically made cars, to 3,861 units from 5,588. Honda spokesman Mike Spencer said the decline was due to a sharp slump in Civic sales reflecting the expiration of a dealer incentive program Nov. 30.

Nissan said sales of its U.S.-built cars totaled 1,646 units vs. 912 units a year ago, while domestically made compact truck sales were 1,360 units vs. 1,104.

Mazda sold 984 cars produced at its Flat Rock, Mich. assembly plant, up from 480 a year ago. Mitsubishi reported sales of 875 cars built at its joint-venture plant with Chrysler in Illinois, higher than 648 a year ago. Suburu-Isuzu recorded sales of 347 cars and 370 trucks built at its new joint venture plant in Lafayette, Ind.

Net changes for the smaller transplant carmakers are not included, since they do not give an accurate picture of sales performance. Many transplant manufacturers are still increasing output from very low year-ago levels. Also, transplant sales represent only a portion of total sales, which also include import sales that are reported on a month-end basis only.

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(DEC. 13) - The Big East announced Thursday it will begin conference football play in 1991 and intends to meet with officials from Rutgers, Temple, Virginia Tech and West Virginia to discuss joining the football-only league.

Those Big East members already in the football conference are Boston College, Miami, Pittsburgh and Syracuse.

In a statement released from its headquarters in Providence, R.I., the Big East said the Division I football-only conference has ''received the support and endorsement of the entire Big East membership.''

The grouping of the major football independents on the East Coast will improve the members' prospects for postseason bowl bids and potentially attract greater television revenue.

''We have put forth a tremendous amount of time and effort in laying the groundwork for a football conference,'' Commissioner Mike Tranghese said. ''We are excited about the prospects of Big East football.''

Tranghese said conference officials plan to meet individually with representatives of Rutgers, Temple, Virginia Tech and West Virginia in mid-January.

''I think the only thing that's lacking now is we need to have a face-to-face conversation and determine if it's in everyone's best interest to move ahead '' Tranghese said.

Thursday's announcement followed an all-day meeting in Washington between

Tranghese and athletic directors Ed Bozik of Pitt, Sam Jankovich of Miami, Jake Crouthamel of Syracuse and Bill Flynn of Boston College.

''I'm delighted with the four schools that we have and delighted with the four schools that we're about to have exploratory talks with,'' Crouthamel said.

Crouthamel said he was confident the new Big East conference ''would do the same thing for our football program as it has for the basketball program.''

Big East members Georgetown, Syracuse, Villanova, Seton Hall, Connecticut and St. John's have enjoyed national prominence in basketball.

Crouthamel said it will be difficult to get league play start by next fall.

''But as I see it, you've got to start someplace,'' he said. ''The sooner you start the sooner you get it going.''

Said Pitt's Bozik: ''I'm very pleased with the progress we've made so far. If things go as planned, we have the opportunity to form a football conference that from top to bottom will be as viable as any in the country.''

Virginia Tech Athletic Director Dave Braine called Thursday's development a ''giant step'' for athletics at his school. ''I have great confidence that the Big East football conference will become a reality and that Tech will be a member of that conference.''

The reaction from West Virginia Athletic Director Ed Pastilong was not so enthusiastic. While Pastilong said he was ''pleased'' with the latest development, he expressed some concerns, among them the Big East's desire to get the football league up and running in less than a year.

''This is a complex project with much detailed planning involved from many sides,'' Pastilong said. ''Now we can discuss establishing philosophies for the new league, and then look toward such specific areas as scheduling, bowls, revenue sharing, etc., and see how those meet West Virginia's needs and concerns. It's important that we take the time to do things properly.''

Pastilong also emphasized the necessity that all eight members ''have an equal say in establishing goals and specific details and procedures for the league after these initial discussions take place.''

Boston College's Flynn conceded time is short to get a conference together by next season, but added, ''There are six teams in there that are already playing each other, and you don't have to play everybody.''

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DETROIT (DEC. 13) UPI - Following are sales of domestically built cars and light trucks among leading automakers for the ten-day period ended Dec. 10:

Dec. 1-10 U.S. car sales

Firm	Latest Per	Year ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	65,527	51,006	up 28.5 pc
Ford	41,264	31,184	up 32.3 pc
Chrysler	17,932	14,301	up 25.4 pc
Honda	3,821	5,588	
Nissan	1,646	912	
Toyota	4,628	3,140	
Mazda	984	480	
Mitsubishi	875	648	
SIA	347	---	
Total	137,024	107,259	up 27.8 pc

Dec. 1-10 U.S. light truck sales

Firm	Latest Per	Year ago	Daily Rate Chg
GM	33,872	30,342	up 11.6 pc
Ford	33,850	25,520	up 32.6 pc
Chrysler	14,314	16,483	off 13.2 pc
Nissan	1,360	1,104	
SIA	370	---	
Mazda	202	---	
Total	83,968	73,449	up 14.3 pc

Editors: Net changes for "transplant" carmakers are not included, since they do not give an accurate picture of overall sales performance. Transplant sales represent only a portion of total sales, which also include imports. Import sales are reported by most firms on a month-end basis only.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - Another experimental AIDS vaccine will soon begin testing in the United States, officials said Thursday.

A total of 24 people will receive the vaccine at the University of California-San Francisco and at the Los Angeles County/University of Southern California Medical Center to test its safety, officials said.

The vaccine is made from a synthetic version of a protein known as HGP-30, which is part of the core of the virus that causes AIDS. Because it is only a segment of the virus, the protein can not make people sick, but researchers hope it will trigger an immune system reaction that will protect against infection.

Study participants must be healthy and must not be infected with the human

immodeficiency virus, or HIV, which causes AIDS, officials said.

''We want to get people into the study as rapidly as possible,'' said Dr. James Kahn, an assistant clinical professor at the University of California-San Francisco. ''There is no risk of becoming infected with HIV from this vaccine trial.''

The vaccine was developed by Viral Technologies, Inc., a joint venture between CEL-SCI Corp. of Alexandria, Va., and Alpha-1 Biomedicals, Inc., of Washington.

The vaccine has been tested in 18 people in Great Britain and so far appears to be safe. Results about the effectiveness of the vaccine for protecting against infection with the AIDS virus have not be made available.

The vaccine is the latest in more than a half-dozen experimental AIDS vaccines undergoing testing in the United States. So far, the results have been inconclusive.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - New findings may dampen enthusiasm for innovative ways of attacking viral diseases like AIDS and the common cold with natural protein molecules, scientists reported Thursday.

Researchers from New York's Columbia University said they found mutant forms of the polio virus appeared to evade protein molecules designed to mop up the virus and prevent it from multiplying.

Similar proteins - genetically engineered versions of the natural gateway, called a receptor, that a virus uses to enter cells - have recently generated attention as potential weapons against the AIDS virus, Epstein-Barr virus and cold-causing viruses.

For example, National Institutes of Health researchers have produced synthetic copies of CD4, the receptor the human immunodeficeincy virus or HIV uses to invade key immune cells. Scientists had hoped that soluble CD4, which has not been very impressive in human tests to date, would sop up HIV before it had a chance to enter healthy cells.

Researchers are currently trying to hook up toxins to soluable CD4 so the drug not only has the power to attract HIV and block its reproduction, but to actually kill the virus.

However, in a study published in the journal Science, Columbia's Geraldo Kaplan and his colleagues said their work with the polio virus indicates that tightly attaching to cell receptors may not be the crucial step in viral infection.

''Reduced binding (to receptors) ... did not have a major impact on viral replication'' in the test tube, they wrote.

Although their research was limited to the polio virus, the scientists said they think the work could have important implications for treatment of AIDS and other viral diseases.

''These findings temper enthusiasm for the use of soluable receptors as anti-viral compounds,'' they said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 459.12, up 0.04 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Former junior welterweight champion Meldrick Taylor, longing to wear a belt again, will move up a weight class to challenge World Boxing Association welterweight title-holder Aaron Davis Jan. 19 as part of a longterm television deal announced Thursday.

The Davis-Taylor fight at Trump Plaza in Atlantic City, N.J., will be the first of a 10- to 12-fight package giving exclusive television rights for three Main Events-promoted stars to Home Box Office.

Taylor, 24-1-1 with 13 knockouts, lost his International Boxing Federation 140-pound title to undefeated Julio Cesar Chavez. In a unification bout likely to win 1990's Fight of the Year, the referee stopped the fight with two seconds left while Taylor was standing. He had been leading on the judges' cards when he was decked and got up.

''I am a champion, that's why I want the belt,'' said Taylor, who admits he lives for the rematch with Chavez. He also said HBO executives' reaction to his loss made a tremendous impact on him.

''After the fight was over, they told me 'Chavez might be the champion but you're the star,''' Taylor recalled. ''That helped me.''

HBO will carry fights featuring Taylor, undisputed lightweight champion Pernell ''Sweet Pea'' Whitaker and junior welterweight Hector ''Macho'' Camacho for one to two years.

Taylor, who has struggled to reach 140 pounds, will fight his first welterweight bout against the victor over Taylor's stablemate and friend Mark Breland. Davis knocked out Breland to win the WBA welterweight crown last July.

''With us, we always got a guy who can come back and win it for us,'' Whitaker said of the 1984 Olympians promoted by Dan Duva, including heavyweight champion Evander Holyfield.

Whitaker, who will fight Poli Diaz Feb 23 in a double-header with Camacho facing Louie Lomelli, passed out cigars to celebrate the birth of his third son. Davis stuck out his hand for a cigar but kept his annoyed expression as the always bubbling Whitaker chattered.

''Hopefully after I knock out Meldrick Taylor, I'll be one of the superstars '' said Davis, 32-0 with 20 knockouts, using the description HBO and Duva lavished repeatedly on their fighters. ''I'm gonna get my respect Jan. 19 - I might even take him out early.

''If he can't hurt a junior welterweight, how's he gonna hurt me?'' Davis asked. ''He'd be better off taking that fight with Chavez than taking me,'' he said.

Taylor-Chavez had been set for January and would have brought the fighters $2.5 million each for a 10-round, non-title bout - Chavez also is planning to move up to 147. Chavez's promoter, Don King, said the fight is off because of Duva's grudge against King regarding their heavyweight fighters. King claims because he and Tyson have demanded the first defense by Holyfield - causing controversy over the new champion's plans to fight George Foreman in a voluntary defense April 19 - Duva is holding up Taylor-Chavez.

''If Meldrick Taylor had any (guts),'' he'd have $2 1-2 million for a non-title fight,'' King said.

Duva claims King blew the Taylor-Chavez deal because he wanted too much money for himself. According to Duva, when King asked for a delay to get the site fee he wants, Duva responded he would indeed still sign for Taylor-Chavez but after Taylor fights Davis. Chavez then objected - whether he doesn't want Taylor to face him as a champion or to make life tough for King - and said he won't sign if Taylor fights Davis.

''I think it is related,'' Taylor said of the cancelled rematch and the heavyweight issue. ''It's going to happen, it's got to happen. I'll get the rematch.''

Whitaker said boxing demand will mandate Taylor-Chavez.

''They could lose their next 10 fights each,'' Whitaker said, ''and people

will want the rematch.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - A hole in Earth's protective ozone layer over the South Pole, which usually closes by the end of November, persisted into December this year, the National Oceanic and Astmospheric Adminstration said Thursday.

Measurements from sounding balloons on Dec. 6 showed ozone levels were significantly below levels recorded on the same date in 1987 - the year when the most severe ozone depletion was measured, the agency said.

The hole is believed to have remained open longer because of winds that build up in the Antarctic from September to November but continued through December this year, said Samuel Oltmans of NOAA's Climate Monitoring and Diagnostics Laboratory in Boulder, Colo. The winds prevent ozone from flowing to the South Pole, he said.

The South Pole, however, has begun to have sunlight 24 hours a day, which tends to warm the atmosphere and halt the destruction of ozone until next fall when the process begins again, Oltmans said.

In fact, another set of measurements taken Dec. 10 indicate that the ozone hole has begun to close again, the agency said.

Ozone is a highly corrosive form of oxygen produced by complex reactions with chemicals in the air. ''Good'' ozone, found naturally in the upper atmosphere, or stratosphere, forms a layer that shields Earth from the sun's ultraviolet rays, which can cause skin cancer and other health problems.

Recently, holes in that protective layer have been detected over the South and North poles.

''Bad'' ozone, created by the reaction of sunlight with pollutants like car exhaust and industrial emissions and found closer to ground in the troposphere is a component of smog and can cause breathing problems.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - The U-S-charter flight dubbed ''the last hostage plane'' by Arab radio reports arrived in in Frankfurt, Germany, today with 94 people aboard, including U-S Ambassador to Kuwait Nathaniel Howell. The ambassador and four aides left the U-S Embassy in Kuwait City unstaffed for the first time since Iraq invaded on August 2nd.

President Bush wants to hear first-hand from the former American hostages in the Persian Gulf area, so he is meeting with seven of them today at the White House. Some of the hostages were used by Iraq as ''human shields,'' and the others hid out in Iraq or Kuwait for up to four months.

The official Iraq News Agency is quoting an Iraqi Foreign Ministry spokesman as saying his nation will never allow the United States to impose on it the dates for top-level talks on the Persian Gulf crisis. The report quotes the spokesman as saying... ''Iraq alone will fix a date for the talks.''

Blood bank officials in Washington, D-C, say the Pentagon has activated an emergency civilian blood collection program for the first time... apparently to prepare for fighting in the Persian Gulf. The American Red Cross and the American Association of Blood Banks reported the move.

Paroled child-killer Arthur Shawcross was convicted today of murdering 10 Rochester, New York, area women during a two-year spree that gripped the city in fear. Shawcross showed NO emotion as the verdict was read. Defense attorney Thomas Cocuzzi said he will appeal the conviction, for which Shawcross faces sentences totaling 250 years in prison.

Abbott Laboratories today announced a new, quick test to diagnose strep throat that takes just six minutes, instead of the standard test that can take two days. Abbott says a quick test has been available in doctors' offices for several years, but the accuracy of its new test is comparable to the so-called ''gold standard'' test, which could take up to two days to complete.

Three more former Cabinet ministers in the regime of ousted President Ershad were arrested in Bangladesh today. All three are suspected of corruption, and authorities are searching for at least eight other officials wanted for alleged abuses of power.

Military sources in Jerusalem say a former deputy commander of Israeli security forces in the occupied Gaza Strip was convicted today in the 1989 death of a 16-year-old Palestinian. Reports say the colonel fired a plastic bullet at the youth when he could only see him from the waist up... a violation of Israeli Army procedures that bar firing plastic bullets above the waist.

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BALTIMORE (DEC. 13) UPI - A former CIA agent who became an important arms broker in the Iran-Contra scandal was sentenced by a federal judge Thursday to 16 months in prison on income tax charges.

Thomas G. Clines, 62, of Middleburg, Va., was convicted Sept. 18 on two counts of making false statements on his 1985 and 1986 income tax returns and two

counts of failing to report foreign financial accounts to the Internal Revenue Service.

He faced up to 16 years in prison and $1 million in fines for the four counts when he was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Norman Ramsey.

In addition to the prison term, Ramsey fined Clines $40,000 and ordered him to pay the cost of his prosecution, which has yet to be determined. His lawyers have 10 days to appeal.

Clines became the eighth person convicted in connection with the secret Reagan administration plan to sell weapons to Iran to win freedom for U.S. hostages and divert the profits to the Nicaraguan Contra rebels at a time when such aid was banned by Congress.

Although he lives in Virginia, Clines was charged in Maryland because his tax preparer is from Bethesda.

During his 11-day trial, prosecutors told jurors how Clines created an elaborate system, including the use of a safe deposit box in Geneva, to collect some $900,000 in profits from the arms sales he helped broker.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Stuart Abrams charged that Clines only reported to the IRS what he thought the government could document that he made on the deals.

Specifically, Clines was accused of failing to report $203,431 in income on his 1985 income tax returns and $57,009 on his 1986 returns. He also denied having any foreign financial holdings in those two years, prosecutors said.

While conceding there was a problem with Clines' 1985 tax return, defense attorney Paula Junghans said Clines filed an amended tax return to truthfully report his income.

Although technically a tax trial, prosecutors called former figures from the Iran-contra scandal to testify, including retired Air Force Gen. Richard Secord.

Prosecutors described how Secord and his business associate, Albert Hakim, sold arms to the Contras at the behest of White House aide Oliver North. Secord hired Clines to obtain field weapons for the Contras, including SA-7 anti-aircraft missiles from China.

Both Secord and Hakim, who also profited from the arms sales, have pleaded guilty in connection with the scandal, but North's three felony convictions were set aside by a federal appeals court in Washington.

Clines worked for the CIA for 31 years before being forced to retire in 1978 by CIA Director Stansfield Turner because of his relationship with Edwin

Wilson, another former CIA agent who had been convicted of selling explosives to Libya. Clines later became an international arms broker.

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(DEC. 13) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Health Equity Prop	Q	.20 1/2	1-31	12-31
Penn Central Corp	Q	.17	1-17	12-31
UST Inc	Q	.33	3-15	3-5
Initial				
Workmen's Bancorp	..	.15	1-15	12-31
Year-End				
Consolidated-Tomoka Ld	..	.23	1-21	1-7
Distribution				
PLM Equipment GF	..	.57 1/2	2-15	12-31
PLM Equipment GF II	..	.55	2-15	12-31
Usual				
Amoskeag Co	Q	.15	12-31	12-24
Amoskeag Co cl-B	Q	.15	12-31	12-24
Arizona Land Income	Q	.08	1-15	12-31
Bell Industries Inc	Q	.10	2-15	1-25
Betz Laboratories Inc	Q	.27	2-14	1-31
Capital Cities-ABC	Q	.05	1-31	12-31
Dreyfus Strategic GII	M	.09	1-9	12-28
Gehl Co	Q	.04	12-31	12-15
Getty Petroleum Corp	Q	.07	1-15	1-3
Goulds Pumps Inc	Q	.19	1-15	1-4
IMO Industries Inc	Q	.12 1/2	1-16	12-26
James River Corp	Q	.15	1-31	1-17
Masco Corp	Q	.14	2-11	1-11
NAC Re Corp	Q	.05	1-10	12-27
Santa Anita Rlty Ent	Q	.52	1-11	1-1
Santa Fe Energy Res	..	.04	1-22	12-31
Sprague Technologies	A	.05	1-10	12-26
Stewart & Stevenson	Q	.06	2-14	1-31
Trinity Industries	Q	.20	1-31	1-15
United Stationers Inc	Q	.10	1-15	12-31

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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#90347u1679 12/13/1990 ~United Press International
MONTREAL (DEC. 13) UPI - North America's largest mass transit vehicle maker Bombardier Inc. said Thursday it received a $132.5 million dollar subway car order from the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority.

The new cars are part of the transit authority's plans to modernize its Boston's Red Line subway route, according to Bombardier.

Bombardier said it was awarded a contract to develop and build 86 new-technology subway cars with an option for 56 additional units. If the option is exercised, the total value of the contract would be $215 million.

The new stainless-steel vehicles, to be produced at plants in Quebec and Vermont, will be delivered between June 1992 and June 1994.

The order will represent the first major use of inner-city rapid transit cars utilizing alternating current electric motor technology in North America, Bombardier said.

The new technology offers increased reliability and lower maintenance and energy costs than traditional direct current drive systems, Bombardier said.

Most of the new cars systems, including air conditioning, communications, door-control mechanisms, braking and equipment-failure monitoring, will incorporate microprocessor technology, the company said.

Bombardier is a diversified transportation company with manufacturing interests in mass transit, commercial, commuter and military aircraft, railway equipment and snowmobiles.

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#90347u1691 12/13/1990 ~United Press International
BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (DEC. 13) UPI - The price of Hilton Hotels Corp. stock fell Thursday as investors showed skepticism about a report a group of Japanese investors may make a bid for the company.

Hilton stock fell $2.625 to close at $39.50 a share on the New York Stock Exchange. A total of 1.56 million shares were traded, making it the Big Board's ninth most active issue.

The stock had jumped $2.25 a share on Tuesday and $6.625 on Wednesday following reports that a group of Japanese investors was being put together to make a bid of about $75 a share for the company.

A spokesman for Hilton, which owns, operates or franchises more than 270

hotels, said Wednesday the company has not been approached.

''It's always possible that there is a bid, but the financing for it would be very tough right now,'' said analyst Michael Mueller of Montgomery Securities in San Francisco.

Hilton had announced in mid-1989 that it would consider a buyout offer, and analysts speculated that such a sale could fetch more than $120 a share, which would have put the total cost of a buyout at about $6 billion.

But by late last year, the price of Hilton shares had fallen sharply as it became apparent there was a lack of buyers willing to meet Hilton's asking price - estimated at about $80 a share.

Hilton finally took itself off the block earlier this year.

Mueller said a foreign buyer could emerge over the intermediate term because of declines in interest rates, the value of the dollar and the price of oil, if there is no war in the Middle East.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 13) UPI - Castle & Cooke Inc., which said earlier this year that it might sell Dole Food Co., announced Thursday that it has taken the food giant off the sales block because of a slack market for acquisitions.

The decision came five months after the holding company had retained investment bankers Goldman Sachs & Co. to evaluate a possible sale, which analysts believed could have brought as much as $2.5 billion.

Dole, known for its fresh fruits and vegetables, canned foods, nuts and fruit juices, contributed more than 90 percent of Castle & Cooke's $2.72 billion in 1989 sales.

David H. Murdock, chairman and chief executive officer of Castle & Cooke, said Thursday the potential buyers were not willing to meet the asking price.

''Although several major international food companies expressed interest in acquiring Dole, in the current economic climate, the board of directors did not believe the interested buyers were prepared to pay a price that fully reflected the company's potential,'' Murdock said.

''At the time we retained Goldman Sachs, market conditions suggested that a sale of the Dole Food Co. could be an attractive alternative that might allow shareholders to receive a significant premium above the public market valuation,'' Murdoch said. ''However, over the past several months, the market for acquisitions and acquisition financing has deteriorated.''

Castle & Cooke also said that it sees ''significant opportunities'' for continued growth with the opening of new markets in Eastern Europe.

''We also expect continued excellent markets for Dole's fresh fruits, vegetables, packaged fruits, juices, dried fruits and nuts as consumers continue to be health conscious,'' the company said.

The announcement represents a second tactical shift for Castle & Cooke this year.

The company announced last February that it would spin off Dole into a new publicly traded company. That plan was put on hold in May because of financing concerns and uncertainty over the Internal Revenue Service's tax treatment of the deal.

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#90347u1705 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

MUNICH, GERMANY (DEC. 13) UPI - Michael Chang sailed and Pete Sampras struggled, but each made it into the semifinals of the $6 million Grand Slam tournament.

Chang thrashed Henri Leconte of France 7-6 (7-3), 6-3 and Sampras overcame Yugoslavian Goran Ivanisevic 7-6 (7-2), 6-7 (5-7), 8-6. Both Americans have already earned $450,000 and will be competing to reach the final on Sunday, where the winner earns $2 million.

Sampras and Ivanisevic battled for two hours 24 minutes in three long sets. The two 19-year-olds displayed a range of shots, with the clear advantage to the server in the first set.

In the first set tie-break, Sampras won two points in Ivanisevic's serve to go up 5-2. He took the next two points on serve to win the tie- break 7-2.

The second set followed much the same pattern, but Sampras' return of serve became better and the left-handed Yugoslav, ranked No. 19 in the world, struggled with his first serve.

But the match took an unexpected turn when Ivanisevic broke Sampras in the 12th game to even the set 6-6. Sampras, ranked No. 9 in the world, rallied from 2-6 to 5-6 in the tie-break, but the Yugoslav took the set 7-5 on his serve.

Sampras was plagued by blisters on his right foot in the third set, but managed to fight off four break points with the score 4-4. The tournament rules did not allow for a tie-break in the third set and Sampras finally prevailed when Ivanisevic double-faulted.

''I was lucky to win'', Sampras said after the match, adding that Ivanisevic ''grew tired in the end, so I just kept the ball on the court''.

Leconte, after playing strongly in the first set, began to make more unforced errors in the second.

Chang won on his first match point when Leconte - who underwent knee surgery only a month ago - dumped the ball into the net.

''I didn't play very well in the second set,'' said Leconte, ''but Chang is in top form at the moment.''

Chang upset world No. 1 Stefan Edberg in the opening round while Leconte beat Austrian Thomas Muster. Leconte and Ivanisevic earned $300, 000 for advancing to the second round.

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#90347u1716 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (DEC. 13) UPI - An independent human rights group said Thursday 115 civilians were killed in war-related violence last month, with the armed forces responsible for 51 of the deaths.

In its latest report, the non-governmental Human Rights Commission said 62 of the civilian deaths could not be traced to either the military or leftist rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN.

The group said FMLN guerrillas were to blame for at least two civilian deaths.

Military officials refused to comment on the report.

Most of the 115 civilians slain in November have not been identified, the commission said.

The commission said it based its report on information received from various sources, including the nation's four leading newspapers.

To date, El Salvador's decade-old civil war has left more than 72,000 people dead, most of them civilians.

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#90347u1718 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

OTTAWA (DEC. 14) UPI - The 7 percent Goods and Services tax Thursday cleared a major hurdle in the Conservative-dominated Canadian Senate, ensuring that Canadians will begin paying the hated charge Jan. 1.

The Senate voted 55-49 to approve the tax, which has already cleared the House of Commons where the Conservative government holds a majority of seats. The bill is expected to receive royal assent approval Friday from the Queen's representative in Canada.

Revenue Minister Otto Jelinek, who is responsible for the legislation, told reporters nearly 1 million businesses have registered for the tax. ''We are ready to go. We will have a launch on Jan. 1 for the benefit of all Canadians '' he said.

Liberal senators tried every possible trick to prolong debate on the legislation after it was referred to the Senate in April. But they were thwarted when the speaker of the Senate, a Conservative who personally supports the tax, suddenly ended debate late Wednesday and ordered the Upper Chamber of Parliament to vote on the measure.

The goods and services tax, intended to replace the 13.5 percent manufacturers' sales tax, will be applied on virtually all goods and services, with the exception of basic groceries, resale houses and some bank services.

Finance Minister Michael Wilson has stated that Canadian companies will be more competitive in domestic and international markets since there will no longer be a tax on exports. In addition, only consumers will end up paying the tax, since any GST paid by businesses on inputs will be refunded. About 75,000 manufacturing firms, importers and wholesalers pay the 13.5 percent manufacturers' sales tax and add it to their prices as a cost of doing business.

According to Jelinek, about 8.7 million low and modest income Canadians will receive a quarterly credit in advance of any GST paid on their household purchases.

Jelinek said the government would begin printing credit checks, at the rate of 9,000 an hour, as soon as the tax bill receives royal assent. About $600 million in credits will be sent to Canadians, he said.

The government has also said the goods and services tax will reduce the amount of tax lost in the underground economy by businesses who refuse to pay tax. Businesses must register with the government in order to get back the GST paid on their purchases.

About 50 countries worldwide have their own version of the GST and most have boosted the rate since it was introduced. Sweden's rate has jumped from 11.1 percent when it was introduced in 1969 to 25 percent.

Even if Canadians dump the Conservatives in the next general election there is no guarantee that the tax will disappear. The Liberal opposition has consistently refused to say what they will do with the tax.

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#90347u1741 12/13/1990 ~United Press International
CLEVELAND (DEC. 13) UPI - Roy Williams, a backup center on the Cleveland State basketball team, turned himself in Thursday after he was indicted on a charge of rape.

The junior allegedly raped an 18-year-old female student Nov. 3 during a fraternity party near the Cleveland State campus.

Police said the woman was intoxicated and Williams offered to help her to a bedroom in the fraternity hosue.

Police said the woman did not come forward with her story until weeks later.

Williams is to be arraigned in Cleveland Municipal Court Friday. Coach Mike Boyd declined to comment on the incident.

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#90347u1753 12/13/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 13) UPI - Two newsstand operators Thursday filed a $30 million class-action lawsuit on behalf of fellow newspaper dealers charging the striking Daily News drivers union with intimidation.

The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court in Manhattan, accuses the union of committing ''acts of violence, intimidation, vandalism and theft'' that have deprived the dealers ''of the ability to make a fair living.''

The suit, which seeks $30 million in damages under antitrust statutes and under the Racketeer Influenced Corrupt Organization Act, names as defendants the Newspapers and Mail Deliverers Union and its president, Michael Alvino.

Representatives of the union could not immediately be reached for comment.

The dealers who filed the suit, Nasir Naveed and Kishor Mehta, were acting as representatives for more than 12,000 newsstand dealers and operators, said their lawyer, Henry Korn.

News management has said striking unions have threatened newsstand dealers who sell the strikebound paper and, at times, resorted to violence to stop sales of the News, the tabloid owned by the Chicago- based Tribune Co.

The suit came as federal mediators said they would wait for Daily News management or the striking unions to ask for another negotiating session before setting up talks aimed at ending the seven-week strike.

A daylong negotiating session Wednesday between News management and union officials, looked on by many as perhaps the last chance for a peaceful settlement, ended with no progress reported.

The two sides met separately with representatives of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, after sporadic negotiations since the strike began Oct. 25 produced no common ground.

''They're quite far from reaching an agreement,'' said Bernard DeLury, director of the service.

DeLury said representatives of the News and officials with the Allied Printing Trades Council, the umbrella group for the nine striking unions, met separately with federal mediators from 9:30 a.m. until 5 p. m.

DeLury said a team of federal mediators held ''in-depth discussions with the parties,'' but they were unable to agree on either a format or an agenda for future discussions.

The sticking point was over the News' refusal to negotiate with all the unions as a unit, preferring to talk to each union separately.

''The unions continue to junk the potential benefits of Federal mediation,'' said News spokesman John Sloan.

Management also rejected union demands for all striking workers to be allowed to return to work if the strike is settled and for management to drop more than $150 million in lawsuits against the unions.

George McDonald, the council's president, called the News's attitude during negotiations a ''charade'' and ''a pure sign that the don't want to reach an agreement.''

Meanwhile, ticket sales were reported strong for ''News-AID,'' a benefit for the Newspaper Guild Emergency Health and Housing Drive, the fund set up to help striking reporters, editors and advertising employees, to be held Friday night with appearances by Lou Reed, Pete Seeger and Run-DMC.

Members of nine unions walked off the job Oct. 25 to protest labor practices. Contract negotiations had been under way since January.

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#90347u1769 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

CLARKSTON, Mich. (DEC. 13) UPI - A judge Thursday dismissed a first-degree murder charge filed against a retired pathologist in the death of an Alzheimer's disease patient who used the doctor's ''suicide machine'' to kill herself last summer.

The case against Dr. Jack Kevorkian was thrown out following two days of testimony and the viewing of a dramatic videotape in which the patient, Janet Akins, 54, told the doctor, ''I don't want to go on.''

Adkins died June 4, two days after the tape was made, in the back of Kevorkian's van in a remote park. She was hooked up to a device rigged by Kevorkian that allowed Adkins to inject herself with a lethal solution.

District Judge Gerald McNally, calling suicide ''a private and personal matter '' held that Kevorkian committed no crime under state law and that the question of criminality in assisting suicide was an issue for the legislature, not the courts, to decide.

''Mrs. Adkins was the approximate cause of her own death,'' McNally said.

But he invited the prosecutor's office to appeal if it disagreed, and Assistant Oakland County Prosecutor Michael Modelski said it was being considered.

''In my mind, somone went free who acted improperly,'' Modelski said.

Kevorkian said the ruling means ''good hope'' for the terminally ill.

''Society realizes a crying need for this,'' he said.

Kevorkian is barred from further use of the ''suicide machine'' pending a civil hearing before Circuit Judge Alice Gilbert. The hearing had been stayed by the Michigan Court of Appeals after murder charges were filed.

Howard Simon, executive director of the Michigan Civil Liberties Union, which was preparing to enter the case on Kevorkian's behalf, called the ruling ''courageous and logical.''

''I think it was absurd for the Oakland County proseuctor to charge someone who assisted a suicide with murder,'' Simon said.

In the 40-minute videotape, Adkins, of Portland, Ore., made clear her decision to die rather than allow Alzheimer's disease to progress. The video was obtained from Kevorkian's apartment under a search warrant and presented as a prosecution exhibit.

In the video, Adkins declared, ''I don't want to go on.''

Her husband, Ronald, agreed, saying, ''I'm for it because she wants it, because I love her. She should have the right not to suffer and should have a human way to exit.''

In the tape, Kevorkian asked her if she wanted to change her mind, insisting she must be the one to push the button to deliver the lethal injection.

Kevorkian, Adkins and her husband gathered in a room at the Red Roof Inn in Madison Heights, Mich., to make the tape.

''I know the things that Janet through our 34 years of marriage has loved,'' Ronald Adkins said. ''She has been a sort of light in our lives because of her interest and curiosity. Now, seeing the things she loves being taken away from her, for such a curious mind, and have that go away would kill her.''

Kevorkian asked, ''Now, you don't want her to go on?''

Adkins, ''No, I don't.

To Janet Akins, Kevorkian inquires, ''Then it's your decision.''

''Yes, it is my decision.''

Kevorkian also suggested to the husband, ''Of course, you realize she's not terminal.''

''Not in a physical sense, but mentally,'' he replied.

The husband described his wife's mental state as ''rational, she's able to make decision on her own and exercise her own free will.''

Kevorkian asks, ''Janet, are you aware of your decision, the implications of your decision?''

Her reply, ''yes.''

''What does that mean?'' Kevorkian asked her. ''What is it you want?''

''I don't want to go on,'' she answered.

''What does that mean?'' Kevorkian asked again.

''That's the end of my life.''

''What's the word for the end of life, what is it when you stop living?''

''You're dead,'' she said.

Witness Lynda Biedrzycki, now medical examiner in Waukesha County, Wis., who performed an autospy on Adkins while serving as Oakland County medical examiner, said Thursday Adkins died of a ''medical overdoes due to injection, but the manner of her death was suicide.''

''I believe she intended to take her life and pushed the button and did it alone by her own hand.''

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#90347u1777 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 13) UPI - The Pittsburgh Penguins Thursday acquired center Jiri Hrdina from the Calgary Flames for defenseman Jim Kyte.

Hrdina, 32, had no goals and three assists in 14 games this season. A native of Prague, Czechoslovakia, Hrdina is in his fourth season in the NHL and has 36 goals and 58 assists in 157 career games.

Kyte, 26, had no points in the one game he played this season after being recalled Tuesday from Muskegon in the International Hockey League. Kyte was in his ninth season in the NHL and has 14 career goals and 26 assists. He had two goals and five assists in Muskegon.

The trade is the second this week for the Penguins. Pittsburgh Tuesday traded defensemen Chris Dahlquist and Jim Johnson to the Minnesota North Stars for defensemen Larry Murphy and Steve Taglianetti.

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#90347u1804 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

TAIPEI, Taiwan (DEC. 13) UPI - Two strong earthquakes struck Taiwan 17 hours apart Thursday and Friday, and initial news broadcasts on the island reported at least two people were killed.

The U.S. Geological Survey, which monitors earthquake activity around the world, said the first temblor struck at 11:02 a.m. Thursday local time and was recorded at a magnitude of 6.1 on the Richter scale of ground motion.

The second quake hit at 3:50 a.m. Friday and was measured at 6.2 on the open-ended Richter scale, according to the USGS. Both tremors were centered about 80 miles south of Taipei, the capital.

''There were reportedly injuries and some damage, but we have no details,'' USGS spokeswoman Pat Jorgensen said from the agency's office in Menlo Park, Calif.

An earthquake recorded at 6.0 on the Richter scale is capable of causing severe damage in populated areas.

A source in Taipei said local news broadcasts Friday reported at least two people were killed and an undetermined number were injured in the temblors. Damage estimates were unavailable.

Despite the severity of the quakes, the National Weather Service declined to issue a tsunami - or tidal wave - watch for islands in the Pacific, a spokesman said.

The twin Taiwanese quakes occurred hours after a temblor registered 4.7 on the Richter scale rocked eastern Sicily Thursday, killing at least 15 people, injuring more than 200 and leaving as many as 2,000 people homeless.

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#90347u1836 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - The United States, the Soviet Union, Portugal and the two warring parties in Angola agreed to a proposed formula Thursday designed to bring about an end to the 15-year civil war in the African nation.

The fighting, coupled with a severe drought, has produced hundreds of thousands of casualties.

The breakthrough development was announced by Herman Cohen, assistant secretary of state for Africa, and Yuriy Yukalov, a Soviet-African affairs specialist, and Antonio Moniero, the Portugese cabinet secretary.

Officials of those three countries spent parts of Wednesday and Thursday meeting in Washington with representatives of the Angolan government and the U.S.-backed UNITA rebel movement.

Dramatic progress, according to Cohen and Yukalov, was made possible because the Cold War has ended and the two superpowers had decided to cooperate to end a regional struggle.

The proposal means that the Angolan government and the rebel forces will ''refrain from receiving'' outside support without identifying the source of that support.

That formula would not require the United State to admit that it had been sending the UNITA some $60 million annually in weapons, including surface-to-air missiles. The State Department estimates the continuing Soviet support at $500 million annually.

But Cohen told reporters at a newsconference that the United States had supplied lethal aid, marking the first time that a U.S. official conceded publicly there was such covert assistance.

Rebel leader Jonas Savimbi met with Bush on Thursday and predicted that a cease-fire to end the fighting is ''real close.'' Savimbi told reporters that he thanked Bush ''for all the support the United States has been giving us.''

Savimbi met later with Angolan Foreign Minister Pedro De Castro Van Dunem. Afterwards he was asked how close UNITA and the Angolan government were to a ceasefire, Savimbi replied: ''I think we are very close.''

Savimbi has said he will join the cease-fire, but only if his party can participate in a democratically elected government.

''Both the United States and the Soviet Union are joining hands in trying to find a solution for the Angola problem,'' Savimbi said. ''We in UNITA, we wanted to have a cease-fire this year. Unfortunately, it's not possible.

''But we hope to work hard with the government of Luanda, with the United States, with the Portuguese, with the Soviet Union in order to achieve the cease-fire early next year and to have elections by the end of 1991.''

Savimbi predicted that if the elections are free and fair, ''UNITA stands a good chance of winning.''

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said that during the Bush-Savimbi meeting, the president reaffirmed ''U.S. support for his movement and expressed hope for a peaceful solution.''

Cohen said the formula for the agreement on Angola was made possible by the 1989 U.S.-brokered accord that ended the war in neighboring Namibia and led to the withdrawal of Cuban forces from southern Africa.

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#90347u1842 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 13) UPI - President Bush, easing U.S. restrictions on the export of some high-tech products, approved a number of high-speed supercomputer export licenses for companies in Brazil, India and China, the White House announced Thursday.

Although administration officials said they could not release full details of the transactions for proprietary reasons, an official said one of the cases cleared the sale of a supercomputer to the Embraer Aircraft Corp. in Brazil, a follow up to a promise made by Bush during his visit to the South American nation last week.

The administration official, who asked not be identified, said of eight cases pending involving the three countries, ''most of them were approved'' and that at least some of the sought after technology will be released to each.

In a statement announcing the action, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said some of the applications were rejected because they ''raised a number of national security concerns.'' The Commerce Department will be notifying each of the companies involved.

But approval of the sales, the largest of which involved millions of dollars, marked an easing of restrictions on the flow of high-tech information overseas reflecting the thaw in East-West relations and the ''changing strategic concerns of the United States,'' Fitzwater said.

The sales had been held up by interagency disputes over the wisdom of exporting the high-tech information to the countries which some fear could be used for building nuclear, chemical or biological weapons, the official said.

Though approving the sales, Fitzwater said Bush ''because of the potential strategic applications of such computers, also required the imposition of stringest safeguards to ensure that the computers will be used exclusively for peaceful civilian purposes.''

The safeguards were not spelled out.

The decisions were included in a package of export control initiatives, including several procedural reforms approved by the president late Thursday, following his much-criticized Nov. 16 veto of legislation attempting to prevent the spread of deadly weaponry, particularly in Iraq.

Fitzwater, however, contended the president's package would streamline export licensing decisions while at the same time ''enhancing our export controls to stem the spread of missile technology and nuclear, chemical and biological weapons.''

The package, which is scheduled to be implemented by Feb. 16, also included provisions for:

-Worldwide export controls on 50 chemicals that can be used to manufacture chemical weapons.

-Export licenses for proposed exports that may be related to the development of missiles or chemical and biological weapons.

-Civil and criminal penalties against U.S. citizens who knowingly participate in actions that promote the spread of missile technology and chemical weapons.

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#90347u1855 12/13/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (DEC. 13) UPI - The board of Occidental Petroleum Corp., in a move that may be designed to blunt takeover speculation following the death of longtime chairman Armand Hammer, said Thursday it had reaffirmed Ray R. Irani as Hammer's successor.

The board said that it voted unanimously to reaffirm its resolution, made last

February, that designated Irani to succeed Hammer in the posts of chairman and chief executive officer.

Irani will remain as president of the energy-chemicals giant, a post that he has served in since 1984.

The board's action came on the same day that private funeral services were held in West Los Angeles for Hammer, who died Monday at the age of 92 in his Los Angeles home following a brief illness. He was buried in the family crypt next to his wife, Frances, who died last year.

Hammer had been at the helm of the company since 1957 when it was a small wildcat oil drilling firm and led it to prominence as the nation's 16th largest industrial company.

Irani joined Occidental in June 1983 as chairman and chief executive officer of its chemical subsidiary, Occidental Chemical Corp., after serving as president and chief operating officer of Olin Corp.

Irani is widely credited with building up Occidental's chemicals business, which currently accounts for about half of its $20 billion in revenues. However, the chemicals business has hit a downturn and the company's profits have declined by 40 percent during the first nine months of this year compared with the year-ago period.

In another action, the board named Occidental executive Dale R. Laurance to the board to fill the vacancy created by Hammer's death.

Laurance, who has served since 1984 as executive vice president- operations, was also promoted to senior operating officer of the corporation.

Laurance, 45, joined Occidental Chemical Corp. in June 1983. He previously worked for DuPont and Olin.

Occidental stock was again heavily traded Thursday on the New York Stock Exchange, with 1.3 million shares changing hands as it fell 50 cents to $20.25.

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#90347u2092 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 13) UPI - President Bush welcomed seven Americans held hostage in the Persian Gulf region to the White House today and said Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein deserves NO reward for releasing them. Bush said NO one rewards kidnappers.

A U-S-chartered Iraqi jetliner carried the last of the Americans who wanted to leave Iraq and Kuwait to Frankfurt, Germany, today, along with the last five U-S diplomats from the Embassy in Kuwait City.

In Baghdad, Iraqi officials ordered special civil defense exercises to begin on January 15th... the date a U-N Security Council resolution sets as the deadline for the Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Rescue officials say the strong earthquake that struck eastern Sicily today killed at least 15 people... injured more than 200, and left as many as two-thousand people stranded.

A district judge in Michigan today freed Dr. Jack Kevorkian, who had been charged with first-degree murder in the death of an Oregon woman who used his so-called ''suicide machine'' to take her own life.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission lowered by five-fold its limit on the allowable doses to the public from nuclear industry activities. The revision also tightens the occupational exposure limit for workers in the nuclear industry.

The Education Department says it is sticking by its policy of banning race-based scholarships. The decision caught President Bush by surprise, prompted a House committee to schedule hearings and produced a threat of legal action by the N-double-A-C-P.

Roswell Park Cancer Institute researchers reported in Buffalo, New York, that there may be a link between vasectomies and an increase risk if cancer of the prostate.

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#90347u2273 12/13/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 13) UPI - President Bush met with seven former American hostages in Iraq and Kuwait today at the White House, saying he was ''anxious'' to hear from each one of them. Bush also said there will be NO rewards for Saddam Hussein for releasing the captives because NO one rewards a kidnapper. Bush met with the former hostages as the last U-S- chartered flight from Iraq and Kuwait landed in Frankfurt, Germany.

The chartered Iraqi jetliner carried U-S Ambassador to Kuwait Nathaniel Howell four aides and 26 other Americans. U-S officials confirmed that the group was the last one... that NO more Americans who wanted out of Iraq and Kuwait remained behind. Howell told reporters that the Embassy in Kuwait City is NOT closed, just vacated.

Officials say a U-S Marine reservist who said last month that he would NOT join his unit when it left for the Persian Gulf was arrested today at his apartment at Southern Illinois University in Edwardsville. 24-year-old Lance Corporal Eric Hayes said last month that he would claim conscientious objector status. Marine officials are expected to take Hayes to Camp Lejeune, North

Carolina, where he probably will face a court-martial.

The United States and the Soviet Union announced today that they will be opening new consulates general in Kiev and New York City. The announcement is still another sign of the Cold War's end. The consulates had been planned for more than five years but were sidelined in 1986 amid mutual charges that they would be used for espionage and subversion.

The U-S Geological Survey says two strong earthquakes occurred in Taiwan within 17 hours of each other, causing undetermined damage and injuries. A spokesman in Menlo Park, California, said the first quake was measured at six-point-one on the open-ended Richter Scale, and the second was put at six-point-two. Officials say both temblors were centered about 80 miles south of Taipei.

The national Centers for Disease Control says flu-like illnesses increased in the week ended December 8th, with 13 states and the District of Columbia listing cases of the contagious disease. The C-D-C says that nation-wide, 775 deaths were attributed to influenza and pneumonia in the week... a figure that is below epidemic levels.

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#90347u2394 12/13/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 13) UPI - The last five U-S diplomats in Kuwait arrived in Frankfurt, Germany, today on the last American charter flight out of Iraq and Kuwait. U-S Ambassador Nathaniel Howell and four aides accompanied more than 20 other Americans on the jetliner... which also carried Japanese, Italian, British and other foreign hostages from Baghdad. Ambassador Howell was careful to point out to reporters that the U-S Embassy in Kuwait City was ''vacated''- NOT closed down.

President Bush says people do NOT reward kidnappers and there will be NONE for Saddam Hussein for releasing the Western hostages he held in Iraq and Kuwait. Bush met with seven former American hostages at the White House today.

The Pentagon says that for the first time, it has activated an emergency civilian blood collection program in case of a Persian Gulf war. And a spokeswoman says civilian hospitals have been told they may get casualties from such a conflict.

Federal health and safety officials say the estimated number of alcohol-related traffic deaths fell 12 percent over the past seven years. But they warn that the rate of decline has recently started to slow. The federal Centers for Disease Control said in Atlanta that even though the decline is noted... nearly one-half of all traffic fatalities are still linked to alcohol. And officials added that 40 percent of all Americans may be involved in an alcohol-related traffic crash some time during their lives.

A non-profit group funded by the insurance industry says auto accident rates have declined, but personal injury claims have increased sharply... largely due to a rising involvement of lawyers. A spokesman for the Insurance Research Council reported that car safety improvements and a reduction in accidents are NOT producing a dividend- quoting now- ''because the changes in claim behavior are gobbling up the savings.''

Michigan District Judge Gerald McNally today dismissed a first-degree murder charges against Dr. Jack Kevorkian. The doctor was charged in the death of an Oregon woman who used a so-called ''suicide machine'' to take her own life. McNally says the issue of whether assisting suicide is a criminal offense is a matter for the state Legislature- NOT the courts.

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#90347u2525 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 13) UPI - U-S officials believe the last of the Americans who want out of Iraq and Kuwait have left the Persian Gulf countries. And last... but NOT least... the remaining U-S diplomats in Kuwait have locked up shop. Ambassador Nathaniel Howell and four of his staff members were among 31 Americans who flew to Frankfurt, Germany, this evening.

The Pentagon announced today that Defense Secretary Richard Cheney and General Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, will go to Saudi Arabia next week. They will leave Tuesday and return on Sunday- two days before Christmas. While in Saudi Arabia, they will visit U-S troops and meet with Saudi officials.

A survey of the job outlook for 1991 college graduates finds the picture about the same as for this year. But Northwestern University's Victor Lindquist says next year's graduates will be expected to know more about computers and less about drugs than this year's job-seekers. Graduates most in demand are engineers with master's degrees.

A survey of young Americans finds they have a conservative bent. Most between the ages of 16 and 24 favor the death penalty, random drug testing and keeping marijuana illegal. The Gallup poll also found 31 percent of the young Americans in favor of reinstating the draft during the Persian Gulf crisis. 24 percent said they are willing to serve in the Middle East, if needed.

A Pentagon spokesman indicates the A-12 Avenger stealth attack plane might cause even more budgetary trouble. Spokesman Pete Williams said today all options are open in the Pentagon's review of the development of the plane, which is one-BILLION dollars over budget and more than one year late. The top military procurement official resigned yesterday.

A top Soviet official expressed welcome today for the U-S decision to waive

restrictions on farm credit guarantees. He says it will help the Soviets cope with their economic crisis and improve trade relations. President Bush made the announcement yesterday, which will allow the United States to provide up to one-BILLION dollars in credits to the Soviets.

Fire has destroyed two Salvation Army warehouses in Fairbanks, Alaska. The warehouses were full of donated clothes and furniture... which the Salvation Army says would have been in great demand as winter sets in. Fire officials suspect the fire may have been deliberately set. Fairbanks Fire Marshal Jay Morris says he's certain the fire was NOT an accident.

An earthquake prediction for the central states have caused officials in Herrin, Illinois, to be extra cautious about the collapse of an abandoned mine shaft. Officials drained a water tank just to make sure the tower it's on is stable. The mine shaft collapse damaged three houses... but did NOT injure anyone.

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#90347u2758 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 13) UPI - The U-S ambassador to Kuwait... Nathaniel Howell... is on his way home. Howell and 30 other Americans left Baghdad today on a U-S- chartered flight. Some of those 30 are the last of the U-S hostages. Howell's mother said in Portsmouth, Virginia, she knew he'd stay in Kuwait as long as hostages remained in the occupied country.

A former C-I-A agent who became an arms broker in the Iran-Contra scandal received a 16-month prison sentence today. Thomas Clines received the prison term for income tax evasion. He's the eighth person convicted in the Iran-Contra scandal.

Former U-S national security adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski made a revelation in Warsaw today. He said a tough warning from Washington persuaded former Soviet leader Brezhnev to cancel Warsaw Pact plans to invade Poland 10 years ago.

An end to the 15-year-old civil war in Angola may be near. The United States, the Soviet Union, Portugal and the two warring groups in Angola agreed in Washington today to a proposed formula to bring about peace.

President Bush has eased U-S restrictions on the export of some high- tech products. A number of high-speed supercomputer export licenses for companies in China, Brazil and India are included.

A seven-percent Goods and Services tax for Canada cleared its last major hurdle in the Conservative-dominated Canadian Senate today. As a result, Canadians will begin paying the tax January 1st.

A Gallup poll finds a majority of Canada's residents have changed their mind

about the free-trade agreement between Canada and the United States. 52 percent now oppose opening the border to free trade.

The 12 European Community leaders have started a two-day summit conference in Rome. They will try to take historic steps toward a common currency and joint foreign policy for Europe.

The U-S ambassador to Pakistan met with Islamabad's foreign minister today to express U-S fears Pakistan is developing nuclear weapons. Pakistan insists its nuclear program is NOT weapons-oriented.

The Walt Disney Company says it WON'T buy Henson Associates... owners of the Muppets. Disney officials said today the two companies could NOT agree on a price... despite 18 months of negotiations.

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#90347u2878 12/13/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 13) UPI - 30 Americans left Iraq today. The number includes what's believed to be the last of the U-S hostages who were held in Iraq and Kuwait. The U- S ambassador to Kuwait, Nathaniel Howell, also was on the flight. The State Department says the U-S Embassy in Kuwait is still open... just unstaffed temporarily. Britain's embassy is the only one still staffed in Kuwait. And it probably WON'T be after the weekend.

A coalition of police organizations went to the Supreme Court today. The coalition asked the court to let stand a four-year-old decision Congress made to outlaw private ownership of machine guns. The National Rifle Association wants to overturn the decision. Machine guns privately owned before the 1986 decision are NOT illegal.

A study finds that white men get better prices on new cars than blacks and women. The American Bar Foundation says the study found the same dealers demand much higher prices from blacks and women than they do when negotiating with white men. The foundation says dealers might view women and blacks as ''suckers.''

The Allstate Insurance Company has released its annual list of cars the company considers ''special values.'' 51 autos built in 1990 are on the list. It is based on accident-damage repair costs and the risks of thefts and break-ins. General Motors has 19 models on the ''special value'' list... tops among the automakers.

Authorities in San Diego say the bodies of 12 members of a religious sect have been found in Tijuana, Mexico. The 12 bodies were found sprawled in a circle in a small house. Seven other people are hospitalized. Police say the victims may have been drinking toxic beverages at a prayer meeting.

A paroled child killer was found guilty today of murdering 10 women. A jury in Rochester, New York, convicted Arthur Shawcross. He still faces an 11th murder charge in a neighboring town. Officials say most of the 11 dead women were prostitutes.

Commissioners on the Hennepin County Board in Minneapolis are considering the case of a comatose 87-year-old woman. Helga Wanglie is being kept alive by a respirator and other medical equipment. Doctors want to stop treatment. But her family... which is paying for her care.. . wants the treatment continued.

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#90348b0003 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

PHOENIX (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Cavco Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:CVCO) Friday reported sales and earnings for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for fiscal 1990 were $36,904,223, a slight improvement over the $35,197,621 reported last year. Net income was $871,437, or 80 cents per share, which is an increase of 40 percent over the $619,118, or 56 cents per share, reported for the similar period last year.

Results reported during the fourth quarter showed substantial increases. Net sales were $9,245,610 vs. the $7,856,317 reported last year. Net income was $299,045, or 28 cents per share, compared with a loss of $100,355, or 9 cents per share, reported for the same period last year.

Cavco Industries is a diversified company which produces a line of manufactured homes, manufactures and leases relocatable offices and through its subsidiary provides health care management services.

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#90348b0006 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

TUSTIN, CA (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Trimedyne Inc. (NASDAQ:TMED) Friday reported its financial results for the quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $3,462,000, a 26 percent increase from revenues of $2,743,000 for the June 30, 1990, quarter, the first quarter-to-quarter increase in sales since December 1988. However sales for the current quarter were 48 percent less than the $6,612,000 reported for the comparable period of the prior year.

In the current quarter, the company had a loss of $1,152,000, or 17 cents per share, compared with a loss of $3,770,000, or 57 cents per share, in the June 30, 1990, quarter. Net income for the year-earlier quarter, however, was $328,000, or 5 cents per share.

The loss for the most-recent quarter includes write-offs of $422,000, consisting of a $203,000 increase in the reserve for excess and obsolete inventory and a $219,000 write-off of leasehold improvements and is net of an income tax benefit of $379,000, resulting from the utilization of a net operating loss carryback compared with an income tax expense of $84,000 for the same quarter of the previous year.

Revenues for the current year were $13,661,000, a decrease of 59 percent from $33,256,000 reported for fiscal 1989. The company lost $7,370,000, or $1.11 per share, for fiscal 1990 compared with income of $1,257,000, or 18 cents per share, for fiscal 1989.

The loss for the current year includes write-offs of $3,412,000, consisting of an increase in the reserve for excess and obsolete inventory of $2,338,000, a write-off of leasehold improvements of $419,000 and a $655,000 loss on the sale of the company's non-medical laser subsidiary.

In the prior year, there was a write-off of $701,000 as a reserve for excess and obsolete inventories. The fiscal 1990 loss is net of a $1,029,000 income tax benefit resulting from the utilization of net operating loss carrybacks. The company incurred an income tax expense of $704,000 in the previous fiscal year.

Trimedyne, with headquarters in Irvine, is the leading manufacturer of lasers and patented laser catheters for removing blockages from blood vessels as an alternative to bypass surgery and balloon angioplasty.

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PHOENIX (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Gregory J. Petras, president and chief executive officer of National Health Enhancement Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:NHES), Friday announced financial results for the three and nine months ended Oct. 31.

Petras reported that the company had its most profitable nine months in the company's history.

Petras said the company has experienced improved operating performance during its two most recent fiscal quarters primarily due to the success of its two

new products: The Professionals and Centramax.

Net revenues for the third quarter of fiscal 1991 increased approximately 76 percent to $1,262,023 from $715,522 for the corresponding quarter last year. The company's net income for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990, was $59,338 or approximately 3.5 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $123,085, or a loss of approximately 7.5 cents per share, for the like period last fiscal year.

For the nine-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, net revenues increased approximately 28 percent to $3,204,241, compared with $2,503,902 for the like period last year. Net income was $122,949, or approximately 7.5 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $82,745, or a loss of approximately 5 cents per share, for the like nine-month period last fiscal year.

Petras also announced that the company is joining forces with Family Circle Magazine to provide The Heart Test throughout the country during American Heart Month. The Heart Test, a product of National Health, will be featured in the Feb. 19 issue of Family Circle Magazine to provide readers with a free assessment of their risks of heart disease.

The Heart Test is an easy-to-complete questionnaire, designed to identify an individual's risk of heart disease and to provide recommendations on lowering those risks. Each person who completes The Heart Test will receive a three-page report on his or her personal risks of heart disease and information on how to reduce those risks.

National Health Enhancement Systems Inc. is a developer and distributor of marketing systems for the healthcare industry.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Santa Fe Energy Resources of China Inc. has signed an agreement with the China National Oil Development Corporation for what is believed to be the first mainland China exploration contract granted to a foreign company.

The negotiations, which Santa Fe initiated in 1988, resulted in an agreement which allows exploration and development activities on approximately 4 million acres in the Jianghan Basin (Dongting Sub-Basin) of Southeast China, approximately 500 miles northwest of Hong Kong.

The work commitment calls for the completion of seismic surveys and the

drilling of two exploratory wells during the initial three year period.

Santa Fe Energy Resources of China Inc. holds a 25 percent working interest in the project. A subsidiary of Petrocorp Exploration Ltd. of Wellington, New Zealand is the operator and has a 60 percent interest; and a subsidiary of Nomeco Oil & Gas Co. of Jackson, Mich. holds the remaining 15 percent.

Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc. is a large independent oil and gas company based in Houston with ongoing activities throughout the United States and several foreign countries. The common stock of Santa Fe Energy Resources is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SFR.

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Ed Hall, 713/268-5309

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SEATTLE (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Alaska Airlines frequent fliers will receive triple mileage credit on all flights between Dec. 15 and March 15. The bonus mileage also applies to all flights on Horizon Air, Alaska's sister carrier.

Under the program, a round trip flight between Anchorage and Seattle, for example, will earn the carrier's mileage incentive plan members more than 8,600 miles, while one between Seattle and Los Angeles will earn them more than 5,800 miles. The bonus applies to actual or minimum mileage credits, whichever is greater.

The triple mileage plan is different from frequent flier promotions recently introduced by other carriers - a minimum number of flights are not required in order to receive awards.

Alaska frequent fliers can redeem a round trip coach ticket on Alaska for travel in the United States when they have accumulated 15,000 miles and on Horizon at 10,000 miles. Alaska and Horizon serve more than 60 cities in Alaska, Mexico, Canada, and seven Western states.

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MIAMI (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - Biscayne Holdings Inc. (AMEX:BHA) announced Friday that it purchased, for an aggregate purchase price of $801,000, 668,079 shares of its Class A common stock and $600,000 face amount of Biscayne's 13 percent subordinated notes from one of its largest stockholders.

The purchase of the 668,079 shares represents 7.4 percent of the 9,051,085 shares outstanding and the purchase of the $600,000 face amount of subordinated notes represents 8.3 percent of the $7,195,300 total face amount outstanding. Both the common stock and the subordinated notes will be retired.

Commenting on the purchases, Chairman Earl W. Powell stated: ''The purchase of these significant portions of our common stock and subordinated notes will enable us to increase our earnings per share through both the reduction in common shares outstanding and the reduction in annual interest expense related to the retirement of the 13 percent subordinated notes.''

Biscayne Holdings is a Miami-based manufacturing company with operations in the apparel industry. Biscayne's Andy Johns Fashions division designs and distributes women and children's outerwear, and its Varon division manufactures toddlers and girls' underwear.

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PORTLAND, OR (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Joseph J. Barclay, president and chief executive officer of Cascade Corp. (NASDAQ: CASC), reported relatively strong operating results for both the third quarter and nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Consolidated net sales for the three-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $44,140,000 compared to sales of $41,010,000 for the same period in 1989. Net income for the third quarter of 1990 was $2,810,000 (47 cents per share) compared to 1989 third quarter net income of $2,980,000 (50 cents per share).

For the nine month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, net sales were $128,275,000 representing an increase of 6 percent when compared to 1989 sales of $120,530,000. Net income for the nine months of 1990 totaled $7,390,000 ($1.23 per share) compared to net income of $8,685,000 ($1.45 per share) for the corresponding 1989 period.

Barclay noted that incoming orders for lift trucks in North America, Australia and several European markets continued to soften during the third quarter.

While sales of Cascade attachment products remain relatively strong in most major market areas, "Worldmast" sales have been particularly hard hit by this decline as OEM customers reduced their production schedules and adjusted their inventory levels. He also announced payment of the regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share.

Headquartered in Portland, Cascade Corp. is a leading international manufacturer of materials handling attachments and hydraulic cylinders.

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DALLAS (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Maynard Oil Co. (NASDAQ:MOIL) Friday announced that its board of directors has unanimously authorized the company to repurchase, from time to time, at management's discretion, up to 345,000 shares of its common stock in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions during the next nine months at the then prevailing market price.

This represents an increase from the 250,000 shares authorized for repurchase announced on Sept. 24, 1990. As of Dec. 14, 1990, the company has repurchased 115,367 shares of the 345,000 authorized for repurchase and has 5,249,393 shares outstanding.

The company has retained Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc., as exclusive broker to make purchases on the open market. Purchases will be made out of the company's own cash resources. Shares purchased will be held in the corporate treasury and will be used for general corporate purposes.

Maynard Oil Co. is engaged in the exploration, development and production of oil and natural gas in the United States. In addition, the company's wholly-owned subsidiary, BDK Drilling Co., provides contract drilling services in south Texas. The company's common stock is traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol MOIL.

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Glenn R. Moore, 214/891-8880

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Guy F. Atkinson Company of California (NASDAQ:ATKN) Friday announced that the company would take a sizeable fourth quarter charge which will result in a loss for 1990.

''The directors have accepted management's recommendation to take a fourth quarter pre-tax charge of approximately $20 million,'' stated Chief Executive Officer Thomas J. Henderson.

''This charge reflects major additional losses now expected in two of our construction operations as well as several non-recurring items.''

''Atkinson is restructuring and consolidating its construction operations to

more closely focus them to marketplace realities and opportunities. Downsizing is continuing within selected construction operations and corporate headquarters,'' Henderson said.

In concert with the recognition of the charge and the restructuring, the board voted to omit the next quarterly dividend. Dividends have been paid at the quarterly rate of 12 cents per share since August 1988.

''With these actions, Atkinson is positioning its heavy construction unit to match the performance of its successful building and industrial construction units and its on-going profitable diversified operations in manufacturing, industrial pipe distribution, and oil and gas exploration and production,'' stated Henderson.

Guy F. Atkinson Company of California is a diversified corporation with operations in construction, manufacturing, distribution of industrial pipe, and oil and gas exploration and development.

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  Leo Heagerty, 415/876-1398

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SACRAMENTO, CA (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - American Recreation Centers Inc. (NASDAQ:AMRC) announced record second quarter operating revenues of $13.2 million for the quarter ended Nov. 28, 1990, an increase of 12.3 percent over last year's comparable revenues of $11.7 million.

Revenues for the six months ended Nov. 28, 1990 totaled $25.6 million, an increase of 21 percent over last year's comparable revenues of $21.2 million.

Direct marketing revenues were up 34 percent over last year's second quarter and for the six month period were up 51 percent over last year's comparable period. Bowling revenues were up 3 percent for the quarter and 7 percent for the six month period compared to last year.

Second quarter net income was $546,000, or 11 cents per share, compared to $436,000, or 9 cents per share, last year, an increase of over 25 percent.

For the six months ended Nov. 28, 1990, net income of $656,000, or 13 cents per share, represents a dramatic improvement over last year's six month results of $68,000, or 1 cent per share. Also, last year's six month results included a $326,000 pre-tax gain on sale of property.

The direct marketing division continues to be a strong contributor to the company's profits with the Right Start Catalog producing a record second quarter operating profit of $468,000, a 44 percent increase over last year's

second quarter.

For the six months ended Nov. 28, 1990, the Right Start produced operating profit of $1,024,000, an 87 percent increase over last year.

The bowling division also continues to turn out increasing operating profits despite unusually dry and warm weather which adversely affects the indoor recreation business.

The bowling division produced an operating profit for the second quarter of $894,000, a 5 percent increase over last year. For the six months ended Nov. 28, 1990, the bowling division operating profits of $1,003,000, reflect the dramatic improvement disclosed during the first quarter of this year and represent a 241 percent improvement over last year's six month bowling operating profits.

American Recreation Centers Inc. is the largest publicly held corporation in the country devoted primarily to the operation of bowling centers.

The company operates 27 bowling centers, 22 in California and 5 in Texas with an aggregate 1,126 lanes.

American Recreation Centers Inc.'s wholly owned subsidiary, the Right Start Catalog Inc., is a nationwide direct marketer of high-quality products for infants and children.

The company is also active in the development and management of commercial real estate. Real estate activities include management and operation of bowling division real estate assets as well as the conversion of non-profitable bowling centers into more productive assets.

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LA JOLLA, CA (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Precision Aerotech Inc. (ASE:PAR) Friday announced sales of $16,262,000 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, compared with $18,184,000 for the like period a year ago.

Net income from continuing operations was $155,000 for the quarter, compared with a net loss of $560,000 for the like period a year ago. Net income, including the effect of discontinued operations, was $139,000 compared with a net loss of $6,361,000 for the like period a year ago.

Sales for the six months ended Oct. 31 were $33,229,000, compared with $34,943,000 for the like period a year ago. The net loss from continuing

operations was $576,000 for the six months ended Oct. 31, compared with a net loss of $416,000 for the like period a year ago. The net loss, including the effect of discontinued operations, was $597,000 for the six months ended Oct. 31, compared with $6,588,000 for the like period a year ago.

Sales increased at the Speedring Inc. and Speedring Systems Inc. subsidiaries for the quarter ended Oct. 31, compared with the like period a year ago. The planned restructuring and downsizing at the Aero Technologies Inc. subsidiary, completed earlier this year, resulted in lower sales compared with the like period a year ago.

Manufacturing margins for the quarter ended Oct. 31 improved over the like period a year ago, in part as a result of numerous actions undertaken during the current and preceding two quarters to restructure and improve the performance of the Coast Aerotech Inc. subsidiary. Contributing to the improved margin at Coast was a favorable inventory adjustment resulting from the intensive review of costs and assets completed during the quarter.

Manufacturing margins at the other subsidiaries were generally comparable to or better than plan during the first six months of the current fiscal year.

Targeted improvements in asset utilization are being achieved and cash flow for the first six months was favorable to plan.

Precision Aerotech Inc. is a specialty manufacturer of precision components, assemblies and systems for a wide variety of aerospace and industrial applications.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Mesa Offshore Trust (the ''trust'') Friday announced that it has been advised by Mesa Limited Partnership (''Mesa'') that Mesa has signed a definitive agreement to sell certain producing oil and gas properties and undeveloped leasehold acreage to Seagull Energy Corp. of Houston.

A letter of intent relating to the sale was announced in October 1990.

Mesa has also advised the trust that the definitive agreement differs from the letter of intent in that Mesa's Gulf Coast properties and certain other properties will not be included in the sale package.

Accordingly, the properties to be sold to Seagull will not include Mesa's 10 percent interest in the Royalty Properties of the trust or Mesa's 0.01 percent

interest in the Mesa Offshore Royalty Partnership (the ''partnership'').

Since Mesa will not be selling its interest in the Royalty Properties to Seagull, Mesa will continue as the operator of the Royalty Properties and the managing general partner of the partnership. Mesa has further advised the trust that it does not expect the Seagull sale to have an effect on the operations of the trust or the partnership.

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Cathy Glazener, 713/236-6369

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PORTLAND OR (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Ringor International Ltd. (OTC:Pink Sheets), an Oregon based athletic shoe manufacturer, has signed an agreement with an Oriental investment group for a combination of cash and revolving credit to build the production capabilities of the company over the next 10 years.

This development creates a dramatic opportunity for Ringor's growth. Due to limited capitalization, Ringor had been forced to turn away an additional $5 million in sales over the last three years alone.

The current state of the art in cleated shoes is the patented circular pattern designed and manufactured by the Ringor Corp. This shoe effectively reduces the potential for impact and spiral type injuries and is applicable to all cleated sports.

Frederick Ihlenburg, president of Ringor, explains the excitement over Ringor's unique product and market approach: ''Ringor not only has the most revolutionary design for cleated sports, it is the only nationally recognized brand of performance athletic footwear that is structured to market directly to the consumer. This enables Ringor to enjoy both the wholesale and retail profits.''

He adds: ''Offering the product direct is a tremendous hedge against the poor economic conditions that will see traditional retailers suffering more and more each year. In general, whereas times of economic downturn may see a reduction in fashion, ath/leisure footwear consumption, the demand for performance footwear for team sports has always remained strong.''

Ihlenburg adds: ''Families today have a heightened awareness of teenage activity. Parents are more devoted than ever to their children's participation in wholesome activities. As a result, spending for athletic involvement has seen no cutbacks in family budgets.''

The investment group recognized that no other major footwear company is, or

can easily be, geared to take advantage of the growing shift from team-oriented retail sales in stores to direct sales from the manufacturer.

Yu Ping Lee, managing partner for the group, said: ''We have allowed revolving credit facilities of approximately $5 million for Ringor's 1991 fiscal year. Production has started and goods will be available at Ringor's U.S.A. location by mid-December.''

Lee adds: ''We have wished for some time to conservatively expand our investments to include consumer products. We've been watching the U.S. athletic shoe market and, in particular, the Ringor brand. We believe Ringor offers the best possibility for a significant return due to what we believe will be a strong exploitation of its high-end quality and technology.

''We stand ready to expand our capital involvement as it becomes necessary to insure the company's growth through product development as well as by acquisition.''

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ORLANDO, FL (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Laser Photonics Inc. (NASDAQ:LAZR) announced Friday they have received approval from the FDA to begin clinical investigations with the STONELASER lithotriptor.

According to company President and Chief Executive Officer Mark T. Fukuhara, ''We believe Laser Photonics is the first company to receive FDA clearance to begin patient investigations with an alexandrite solid-state laser system designed to treat urinary and biliary tract stones.

''We anticipate completing our clinical investigations and receiving clearance from the FDA to begin marketing this system mid-year 1991.

''We believe this new solid-state technology will allow the company to rapidly capture a significant market share by providing a system which is easier to use, more reliable, and substantially less costly than laser products currently on the market.

''We also anticipate receiving clearance this month to market a Nd:YAG/ 532 green wavelength laser.

''This wavelength, when combined with the Nd:YAG 1.06 wavelength on which we received clearance to market in October of this year, is considered to be the laser system of choice for laparoscopic/endoscopic surgery such as laser cholecystectomy (gallbladder removal) and other general surgical applications.

''The only other competitor currently cleared to market this combination wavelength laser in the United States is Laserscope.''

Laser Photonics Inc. designs, manufactures and markets solid-state and gas laser systems, components and other peripheral equipment for applications in the medical and scientific markets.

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T. Michael Janney, 407/281-4103

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FREMONT, CALIF. (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Phil E. Phillips, who joined Credence Systems Corp. in August following a long tenure at Teradyne Inc., has been named general manager of Credence's new Beaverton Division.

Credence currently expects to complete the acquistion from Tektronix Inc. by the end of the year.

Phillips will report to David J. Mees, chairman and chief executive officer. He replaces Vince Lutheran, who served as general manager of the STS Division while it was owned and operated by Tektronix. Lutheran will remain in a consulting capacity.

''I've known Phil for a long time during his career with Teradyne,'' Mees said. ''He has all of the skills and expertise to optimize the opportunities for Credence as it assumes a leadership position in the ATE market.''

Phillips will have P & L responsibility for all products produced in Beaverton. The manufacturing organization will report to Kent Goheen, vice president of operations, who is responsible for the manufacture of all Credence products.

''The ATE industry is in the process of restructuring itself and Credence is emerging as a new leader,'' Phillips said. ''This kind of challenge doesn't come along very often, and it's a very stimulating and exciting one.''

Phillips joined Credence in August as vice president of marketing for the Digital Products Group, which is based at the company's Fremont headquarters. He spent more than 20 years in a variety of marketing, sales and management positions at Teradyne Inc., where he managed field sales and factory-based marketing teams in Boston, Phoenix, Dallas and Tokyo.

Credence is a leading supplier of digital VLSI and mixed-signal test systems used by test engineers in all phases of IC production test including device characterization and debug, production test and incoming inspection.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Hotel Investors Trust, a real estate investment trust, and Hotel Investors Corp., a hotel management company, whose shares are paired and trade together (NYSE:HOT), and Park Plaza Inc. and EIE International Corp. Friday announced that they had terminated the asset purchase agreement providing for Park Plaza's purchase of 27 hotels from Hotel Investors.

In connection with such termination, the $4 million originally deposited by Park Plaza in an escrow, plus accrued interest, has been released to Hotel Investors, and the special meetings of the shareholders of Hotel Investors Trust and the stockholders of Hotel Investors Corp. scheduled for Dec. 20 have been cancelled.

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or
Park Plaza Inc., San Francisco
Jonathan R. Read, 415/362-0987

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DANVERS, MA (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Notice is hereby given to all holders of record as of Dec. 23, 1990, that a dividend of seven and one half cents per share will be payable on Jan. 1, 1991.

Selecterm Inc. is a Massachusetts corporation providing computer maintenance services and computer products nationally. For more information about Selecterm Inc., please contact the office of David Gravel.

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David Gravel, 508/777-5202

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PORTLAND, OR (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Portland General Electric Co. (PGE) and Oregon Public Utility Commission (PUC) staff on Thursday reached agreement on a joint position on the company's pending rate case.

Annual revenues are expected to be about $27 million higher as a result of this agreement, with an allowed return on common shareholder's equity of 12.5 percent.

Additional details will be available upon finalization of the agreement next week.

The company and PUC staff will present joint testimony reflecting the agreement at hearings expected to begin in January 1991. A final order will be rendered after participation by intervenors and approval by the PUC. The company and PUC staff have agreed to urge an expeditious review and order.

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SANTA ANA, CA (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The First American Financial Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:FAMRA, FAMRB) at its bi-monthly meeting declared regular quarterly dividends of 10 cents per share for the company's Class A common stock and 10 cents per share for its Class B common stock.

The dividends are payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 28, 1990.

The company has paid a cash dividend every year since 1909.

First American Financial, based in Santa Ana, operates its title insurance business through its principal subsidiary, First American Title Insurance Co., one of the largest title insurers in the nation.

The firm offers title services through a network of more than 5,500 offices or agents in all 50 states. It also provides title services abroad in the Bahamas, Guam, Mexico, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the United Kingdom.

CONTACT: The First American Financial Corp., Santa Ana
Thomas A. Klemens, 714/558-3211

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DENVER (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Caspen Oil Inc. sold certain natural gas wells in Louisiana for an undisclosed amount.

While Caspen does not intend to pursue a general strategy of property sales, in this particular case, the price offered allowed Caspen to reduced its bank

debt by $4.7 million and restructure its remaining $2 million debt into an interest-only term loan with a balloon payment in June 1993.

The loan will bear an interest rate of prime + 1, with interest payable quarterly. Consummation of this restructuring agreement eliminated any and all technical defaults with Caspen's lending institution.

Caspen is an American Stock Exchange listed company engaged in oil and gas exploration, production and acquisitions primarily in the southwestern United States. On Oct. 31, 1990, Caspen had 14,860,349 common shares outstanding owned by approximately 4,800 shareholders.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Baker Hughes Inc.'s (NYSE/PSE/Zurich:BHI) chairman, president and chief executive, J.D. Woods, Friday announced that Baker Hughes had terminated discussions with parties interested in acquiring its Baker Hughes Tubular Services Inc. (BHTS) subsidiary.

Baker Hughes further announced that it had decided to retain its ownership interest in BHTS and not seek to sell the company at this time. Baker Hughes Tubular Services is a leading worldwide provider of inspection services, internal plastic coating and premium threaded connections for the oil and gas industry.

For the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, Baker Hughes Tubular Services had revenues of approximately $100 million.

Woods indicated that with the deterioration in the financial markets, the proposed sales price of BHTS was below the company's expectations. He further indicated that the company is comfortable with retaining its ownership of BHTS as part of its overall strategy of providing equipment and services to the oil and gas industry.

Woods said: ''Baker Hughes Tubular Services Inc. provides quality services to their customers as do the other Baker Hughes companies. We are pleased with their management and the overall performance of BHTS. We are somewhat disappointed in the market perceptions of the value of this business and believe retaining it will create more value for our stockholders than a disposition.''

Baker Hughes is a leading provider of products and services for the oil, gas and process industries.

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Main St. & Main Inc. (NASDAQ:MAIN) received preliminary consensus on its bid to develop approximately 166 acres of city land in Tempe, Ariz. into Rio Beach, a sports, recreation and entertainment park.

In a pre-session work meeting the Tempe City Council reached a consensus to select Main St. & Main Inc. as developer with exclusive rights to negotiate an agreement with the City Council. The City Council is expected in the Dec. 20, 1990, meeting to formalize their selection by passage of a City Council resolution.

Main St. & Main is an Arizona-based hospitality and entertainment company. For more information, contact Michael Stewart, president, at 602/951-3200.

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Michael Stewart, 602/951-3200

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CHICAGO (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - GEO International Corp. (NYSE/PSE:GX) announced results for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, as a $13.3 million loss, or 80 cents per share, on revenues of $157.2 million.

In the prior year the company reported a $13.5 million loss, or 83 cents per share, on revenues of $164.8 million.

John E. McConnaughy Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of GEO, said fourth-quarter results include a provision of $8.1 million to reduce the carrying values of certain assets in contemplation of their sale. McConnaughy said the company has had preliminary discussions with potential buyers and that proceeds from the asset sales would substantially improve the liquidity of the company.

Fourth-quarter operations were also affected by a decline in screen printing and seismic services revenues. McConnaughy explained the decline in screen printing revenues was primarily related to equipment sales.

Customers may have delayed purchases until the industry's annual trade show held the week following the close of GEO's fiscal year as well as a general softness in the market for capital goods, he added.

While seismic services sales were off in the fourth fiscal quarter, the prospects for improved sales and operating performance in GEO's oilfield businesses are promising as the domestic energy industry begins to adjust to the events occurring in the Middle East, McConnaughy concluded.

Geo International provides equipment, inks and supplies to the graphic arts industry, production equipment and supplies to the oil and gas industry and non-destructive testing services to assure quality to many industries.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Dec. 14, 1990, Cellular Information Systems Inc. today announced that the company has sold its California 7 (Imperial) RSA to Century Communications pursuant to the original contract terms on December 11, 1990.

Further terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

Cellular Information Systems is a cellular telecommunications company that owns controlling interests in and operates cellular telephone systems. The company owns controlling interests in cellular systems serving or licensed to serve twenty markets, has under contract the right to acquire two more and an option to acquire an additional system.

The company's cellular interests represent approximately 2,300,000 effective pops.

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - TOTAL Energold Corp. of Vancouver announces that it has been advised by TOTAL Resources (Canada) Ltd. its parent company, that TOTAL Resources is reviewing alternatives for the disposition of certain of its interests in TOTAL Energold.

TOTAL Resources, a 100 percent subsidiary of TOTAL Compagnie Francaise des Petroles, holds 25,963,518 common shares of TOTAL Energold representing approximately 74 percent of the shares outstanding. TOTAL Resources further

advised that, in connection with this review, consideration is being given to proposing to the board of directors of TOTAL Energold a reorganization, whereby the existing shareholders of TOTAL Energold, including TOTAL Resources, would be able to hold their interests in the company's mining assets separately from their interests in its oil and gas assets. TOTAL Energold has been advised that no final decision has been made by TOTAL Resources on this matter.

TOTAL Energold Corp. is involved in mining exploration and development in Canada and the Western United States, directly and through its 51 percent subsidiary Plexus Resources Corp., and in oil and gas exploration and production in Canada through its 56 percent subsidiary Ranchmen's Resources Ltd.

TOTAL Compagnie Francaise des Petroles of Paris, France, is one of the world's largest producers and marketers of energy.

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TEMPE, ARIZ (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Rob Howe has been named director of AT&T marketing for MicroAge Computer Centers Inc. (NASDAQ:MICA).

Howe will direct MicroAge's strategic partnership with AT&T and will develop programs to increase sales of AT&T microcomputer products.

''Rob's focus is to ensure MicroAge works with AT&T to deliver the highest possible level of satisfaction to our mutual customers,'' said Dan Shaver, vice president of marketing for MicroAge Inc.

Prior to joining MicroAge, Howe worked with Milwaukee-based Computer Bay where he served most recently as vice president of Marketing and Communications. He also served as partner and general manager of Computer-Source, the Computer Bay franchise operation.

''Having been a franchisee, I sincerely appreciate the depth of the services MicroAge provides its Network. MicroAge's vision is the correct one for the 1990s,'' Howe said. ''I'm really excited about being a part of MicroAge, and look forward to working to enhance our relationship with AT&T.''

MicroAge Computer Centers Inc. markets and distributes information technology products and services through an international network of more than 700 franchised, affiliate dealer and company-owned locations.

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MITCHEL FIELD, NY (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Frequency Electronics Inc. announced that net sales for the six-month period ended Oct. 31 were $26,234,000 as compared with $30,094,000 for the like period last year.

This reduction resulted from delays and stretch outs of certain programs.

The net loss for the six-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, was $2,228,000 compared with a profit for the like period last year of $1,470,000. This loss is a result of higher-than-anticipated design and development costs associated with fixed-price commercial satellite programs and declining profit margins in the defense industry, affecting microwave components and assemblies at FEI Microwave, the company's west coast operation.

Although Frequency Electronics has been impacted by the stretch outs and delays in DoD programs, the demand for FEI products relative to satellite systems, secure communications, electronic warfare and navigational systems remains steady, and the company has been successful in obtaining new business.

The company has instituted major cost-cutting programs, the effect of which will have an impact on profitability for fiscal 1991 and substantial savings in fiscal 1992.

The investment in commercial satellite receivers, down converters, frequency sources and timing systems for ground communication offers many new business opportunities.

Frequency Electronics is aggressively pursuing its core business with the Department of Defense while at the same time inserting its technology in commercial satellites and ground communication systems.

With a dedicated workforce and the support of the company's customers, stockholders, and a product line and a technology that has both vital DoD requirements as well as commercial usage, the company expects to achieve increases in profitability in the future.

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SAN RAFAEL, CA (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Children's Discovery Centers of America Inc. (NASDAQ:CDCRA) Friday announced higher third quarter 1990

revenues and operating earnings on a comparable basis.

Earlier this week the company announced that it had completed the sale of its troubled Arizona subsidiary pursuant to a plan adopted by its board of directors effective pursuant to a plan adopted by its board of directors effective June 30 of this year.

As a result of these actions, revenues and expenses for the subsidiary are not included in 1990 third quarter results. Therefore, year to year reported revenues and income figures are not directly comparable.

On a comparable basis, excluding the Arizona subsidiary in both 1989 and 1990, quarterly revenues increased $925,000 or 39 percent, and nine month year to date revenues increased $3,500,000 or 55 percent from the corresponding periods in 1989. On the same basis, operating earnings increased $70,000 or 50 percent for the quarter and $190,000 or 30 percent for the nine month period.

The company stated that the improvement in revenues and operating earnings was largely attributable to new centers acquired during the last 12 months. There was also, however, an increase in sales of approximately 9 percent in centers open in both years and a small improvement in operating margins.

At the time of its recent announcement of the completion of the sale of its troubled Arizona subsidiary, the company also announced that it had executed a merger agreement to acquire Magic Years Child Care and Learning Centers Inc. (NASDAQ:KIDS), a leading provider of employer-based child care services with 33 centers located in Pennsylvania and other mid-Atlantic states.

Richard A. Niglio, chairman and chief executive officer of Children's Discovery Centers, said, ''The addition of the Magic Years employer-sponsored centers to our existing growing base in this specialized area will position Children's Discovery Centers as one of the leaders, nationwide, in the important emerging market for employer-based child care.''

Niglio added that Children's Discovery Centers counts among its current employer clients such well known entities as Wang Laboratories, TRW Space and Defense, and the County of Los Angeles. Also, the merger is expected to result in substantial cost efficiencies and an acceleration of the company's acquisition program into the Magic Years' markets, according to Niglio.

Children's Discovery Centers, a national child care concern, is headquartered in San Rafael.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 13) BUSINESS WIRE - PS Group Inc. (NYSE:PSG) Friday announced it had amended its shareholder rights plan to allow for the ownership by Berkshire Hathaway Inc. and its affiliates of up to 45 percent of PS Group's common shares without triggering the provisions of the rights plan.

Berkshire Hathaway, through various subsidiaries, presently owns approximately 22.1 percent of PS Group common shares, and prior to the latest amendment was permitted to own up to 22.5 percent.

In connection with the amendment to its shareholder rights plan, PS Group and Berkshire agreed, among other things, that:

1) Berkshire will vote all shares of PS Group common stock owned by it in excess of 22.5 percent in the same proportion as all other PS Group shares are voted in connection with all matters on which common shares of PS Group are voted; and

2) Berkshire will not be a ''participant,'' as defined in federal proxy regulations, in any PS Group proxy contest.

Berkshire has advised PS Group that it expects to purchase additional PS Group common shares, although the extent and timing of any such purchases will depend on price, market conditions, availability of funds and Berkshire's evaluation of other investment opportunities.

Berkshire has also advised PS Group that, based on consideration of the same factors, it may in the future determine to sell PS Group shares owned by it.

Berkshire will not be able to make purchases that exceed 25 percent of PS Group's common shares until Berkshire has made a new filing under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act (which Berkshire has advised it will make in the near future) and the applicable waiting period under such act has expired or been terminated.

PS Group Inc. is a combined aircraft leasing and holding company. It owns a controlling interest in USTravel Systems Inc. and Recontek Inc. USTravel Systems is one of the nation's largest travel management companies. Recontek has developed a proprietary process of recycling metallic hazardous waste and recently opened its first commercial recycling facility in Newman, Ill.

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SANTA BARBARA, CA. (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Bondholders owning more than 98 percent of County Bank's subordinated debt have agreed to convert their notes into equity capital, according to the bank's president, Roy G. Green.

The bank's capital position will be substantially strengthened by the new core capital resulting from the transaction.

Green stated that County has $22.4 million in long-term subordinated debt issued in 1986, and the holders of $22.15 million (representing 98.8 percent of the total) have given County signed agreements in which they will exchange the debt for shares of a new issue of preferred County Bank stock.

It is anticipated that the transaction will be completed before Dec. 31, and will raise County's core capital ratio to 2.3 percent.

County is also proceeding with its plans to offer a new issue of preferred stock to its present shareholders, Green noted. He said that the stock issue has been increased from $10 million to $22 million, which would bring County's core capital level to 5 percent by June 30, 1991.

''County believes that financial institutions with 5 percent core capital will be uniquely positioned to take advantage of some attractive business opportunities in the financial services field,'' he said.

The debt-to-equity conversion also will create a one-time extraordinary pre-tax profit to County of approximately $17.7 million, according to Green. This gain, when combined with 1990 operating profits, will enable County to increase its loan loss reserves by $20.8 million during 1990. County believes the additional reserves are prudent in the current period of economic uncertainty.

Green stated that County expects to complete 1990 with an after-tax profit of approximately $200,000, substantially higher reserves, and a significantly strengthened capital position.

The year-end results reflect both a third-quarter loss of $5.6 million resulting from the decision to increase reserves and projected fourth-quarter profits of $4.7 million resulting from the debt-to-equity conversion and the establishment of additional reserves.

County Bank has assets of over $1 billion and has headquarters in Santa Barbara. It maintains 10 branches throughout the Ventura, Santa Barbara, and San Luis Obispo areas.

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BELLEVUE, WA (DEC. 15) BUSINESS WIRE - Thousand Trails Inc. (OTC:TRLS) announced Friday that the Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC) has been appointed receiver for San Jacinto Savings Association, which owns 69 percent of the outstanding common stock of Thousand Trails.

San Jacinto Savings had been operating in the RTC's conservatorship program since Nov. 30, 1990.

Thousand Trails Inc. operates one of the largest membership based destination campground resort systems in the United States. The company owns, operates and sells memberships in a network of 39 campground resorts in 15 states and in British Columbia, Canada. Over 100,000 families are members.

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HOLYOKE, MASS. (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - December 14, 1990 -- Heritage Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ:HNIS) today announced that its sole subsidiary, Heritage Bank for Savings, has entered into a consent agreement with federal and state banking regulators. Heritage had previously disclosed that it was in discussions with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation concerning certain measures to be taken by the Bank in response to the FDIC's most recent Report of Examination.

Under the agreement, the Bank consented to the issuance by the FDIC of a formal regulatory order which calls for Heritage to take actions to increase its regulatory capital ratio. In addition, under the order, the Bank is required to reduce its levels of non-performing assets, modify lending and collection policies and procedures, reduce its reliance on certain types of borrowings and deposits, maintain higher levels of liquidity, and refrain from paying cash dividends on the Bank's stock without prior regulatory approval.

At the same time that Heritage entered into the consent agreement, the FDIC approved the Bank's capital plan, which had been submitted in early December. Under the approved capital plan, Heritage has agreed to take specific steps over the next two and one-half years to increase its regulatory capital ratios reduce dependence on certain types of funding liabilities and improve its liquidity ratios.

''The Bank and its regulators have common objectives and have agreed on appropriate courses of action and timetables to achieve those objectives,'' Chairman Covell explained. ''We are hopeful that the actions upon which we have agreed, and which in many cases are well underway, will help to bring

Heritage through this difficult time as quickly as possible. It is also important to note that these steps are not expected in any way to impair services to our retail customers.''

Looking ahead, Heritage anticipates making additional substantial provisions for estimated losses on loans and foreclosed real estate during the fourth quarter. Additionally, results for the quarter will be adversely affected by loss of interest income, workout expenses, and foreclosure costs associated with Heritage's non-performing assets. As a result the Company is expected to have a loss for the fourth quarter and for the year.

Heritage Bancorp, Inc. is the holding company of Heritage Bank for Savings. The Bank operates 27 offices in western Massachusetts. All deposits are fully insured by the FDIC and the Massachusetts Central Fund.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Superior TeleTec Inc. (AMEX:STT) announced Friday that it expects to report flat earnings for the third quarter of fiscal 1991, ending December 23, 1990.

For the current period, earnings are expected to approximate $1.1 million, or $.13 per share. In the comparable period last fiscal year, earnings were $1.3 million or $.13 per share.

James R. Kanely, President, Chairman and CEO, stated ''We are disappointed that we do not expect to be able to report a continuation of the string of consecutively improving quarterly earnings that we have experienced over the past three years. In the past few weeks, we experienced an unexpected decline in orders for our copper wire and cable products that will affect our third quarter results.

'' Although we have experienced a reduction in recent contract awards that could reduce revenues in our copper cable business by as much as 10 percent in calendar 1991, we have no explanation for the current slowdown except for the general sluggishness of the economy. We expect to have multiple opportunities in the copper cable marketplace to replace the lost business as a result of the contract award reductions, but we must now approach the 1991 calendar year cautiously because of the more general economic slowdown.

For the six-month period ended September 23, 1990, the Company reported revenues of $79.3 million and earnings of $4,382,000 or $0.50 per share. For

the year ended March 25, 1990 the Company reported revenues of $138 million and net income of $4,923,000 or $0.51 per share.

Superior TeleTec Inc. is a diversified telecommunications company primarily serving the independent telephone holding companies, the Regional Bell Operating Companies (RBOC's), and the inter-exchange carriers. The Company offers several product lines including copper wire and cable, fiber optic cable products, equipment used to measure and test digital, fiber optic and analog transmission lines, voice frequency repeaters used in telephone switches, and a digitized voice data transmission product line.

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BOSTON (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - American Hotels and Realty Corp. (''AHRC'') announced Friday that it had entered into a new advisory agreement with Americana Corp., a successor entity to PCA Americana Corp., which is now wholly owned by George H. Bigelow, president and a director of the corporation and Morris W. Kellogg, the chief financial officer of the corporation.

The new agreement provides for a base advisory fee, initially equal to one-half the prior base fee, a continuation of the existing incentive fee covering gains from property dispositions, and a new incentive fee, based on gains in excess of specified sale prices, to provide maximum incentives in concluding the corporation's Plan of Disposition of Assets and Liquidation.

The prior advisor, PCA Americana Corp., was controlled by the shareholders of Property Capital Advisors Inc. (''PCA''), including John A. Cervieri Jr., the chairman and chief executive officer of both the corporation and PCA.

Americana Hotels and Realty Corp. is a real estate investment trust which is currently operating under a Plan of Disposition of Assets and Liquidation approved by its Stockholders in June of 1988. The shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Carolco Pictures Inc. (NYSE:CRC)

announced Friday that President and Chief Executive Officer Peter Hoffman has secured a line of credit to purchase common stock of Carolco Pictures.

Hoffman may make open market purchases of Carolco shares from time to time for his own account.

Carolco Chairman Mario Kassar commented, ''I am very happy with the confidence Peter Hoffman is showing in the company and common stock of Carolco.''

Carolco also announced that Pioneer LDCA Inc. and Canal+ Productions S.A., which have equity ownership in Carolco of approximately 10 percent and 5 percent respectively, have been granted a waiver of their standstill agreements which will permit them to each purchase up to an additional 1 million shares of common stock in the open market.

Pioneer and Canal+ will have until March 31, 1991, to take advantage of the waiver, although there are no assurances that they will do so.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Jay Jacobs Inc. (NASDAQ: JAYJ) Friday reported unaudited sales and earnings for its quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the third quarter of 1990 were $26,948,000, an increase of 7 percent over sales of $25,099,000 in the third quarter of 1989. The sales increase resulted primarily from new stores opened during the year. The company reported a net loss from continuing operations for the third quarter of 1990 of $608,000, or 10 cents per share. The company reported net income of $336,000, or 6 cents per share, in the third quarter of 1989 which included income from continuing operations of $462,000, or 8 cents per share, and a loss of $126,000, or 2 cents per share, from the company's discontinued wholesale division.

Douglas A. Swerland, president of Jay Jacobs Inc., said: ''The third quarter proved to be particularly difficult due to consumer fears about possible recession and uncertainties related to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Abnormal markdowns were necessary to compete with prices offered by other retailers.''

During the third quarter of 1990, 17 new stores were opened bringing the total number of stores in operation at Nov. 30, 1990, to 203.

Jay Jacobs sells fashion forward merchandise to young women and men through its 203 apparel stores located principally in regional shopping malls in 11 Western states and four Midwestern states.

Jay Jacobs Inc.
Consolidated financial highlights
(in thousands, except per share amounts)
(unaudited)

	Quarter ended Nov. 30		
	1990	1989	Percent change
Net sales	$26,948	$25,099	+ 7
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(608)	462	NM
Net income (loss)	(608)	336	NM
Earnings (loss) per share: Income (loss) from continuing operations	(10 cents)	8 cents	NM
Net income (loss)	(10 cents)	6 cents	NM
Weighted average shares outstanding	5,844	5,892	- 1

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SAN BERNARDINO, CA (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Kasler Corp. (NASDAQ:KASL), a leader in the highway/heavy construction industry, Friday announced that its board of directors declared a 6 cent per share semi-annual cash dividend payable to shareholders of record on Dec. 28, 1990.

The dividend, which represents a 1 cent per share increase over the company's most recent semi-annual dividend, will be paid on Jan. 15, 1991.

R.E. ''Jeff'' Kasler, chairman of Kasler said, ''The board of directors' decision to increase this semi-annual cash dividend reflects our strong performance in 1990 and their continued confidence in the future of the Company.''

Kasler is a general contractor engaged in the construction of concrete roadways, bridges and other public works projects, including airfields and water control distribution facilities.

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SPARTA, N.J. (DEC/ 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Laser Recording Systems, Inc. (''LRS'') 1/8NASDAQ:LRSI (common stock), LRSIW (warrants) LRSIU (units); Boston Stock Exchange:LRSU3/8 Friday announced unaudited results for the third quarter and nine months ended October 31, 1990. For the nine months ended October 31, 1990, sales increased 95 percent and gross margins increased to 55 percent, up from 47 percent last year.

The net loss was the result of higher research and development expenses and selling, general and administrative expenses to sustain a growing engineering and sales force.

The decline in revenues in the third quarter was primarily due to the completion of large jobs in the second quarter or the booking of orders that have not yet been started. In fact, the backlog now stands at a record $750,000. For the third quarter, gross margins rose to 58 percent up from 44 percent in the prior year's third quarter.

Carver Washburn, President of Laser Recording Systems noted, ''We are very encouraged by our year-to-date performance. During the third quarter, Glaxo, Inc. purchased from LRS its fourth ONDA system this year, Schering-Plough Corporation's Research Division awarded LRS its largest single contract award ever, and the Bundesgesundheitsamt (BGA), an office of the German Government, awarded us a contract to deliver a computer-based system for the submission of ONDAs.

''With customers such as these, and a backlog of approximately $750,000, we believe that LRS will continue to grow and will become a major force in the submission of optical new drug applications, as well as in other stages of new drug development,'' Washburn concluded.

Laser Recording Systems INc.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended October 31,		Nine Months Ended October 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$ 347,762	$ 388,631	$ 1,447,206	$ 740,275
Net (Loss)	$ (218,391)	$ (23,589)	$ (434,898)	$ (331,317)
Net (Loss) per Share	$ (.06)	$ (.01)	$ (.11)	$ (.20)
Weighted average Common shares Outstanding(a)	3,858,908	1,908,908	3,858,908	1,677,797

(a) The increase in the weighted average number of shares outstanding is due to the completion of the Company's initial public offering of 400,000 units in December of 1989.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Haben Industries (NASDAQ:HABN) has signed a formal letter of intent with the Wyandotte Tribe of Oklahoma to sell 51 percent of the total outstanding shares (5,285,337) of City Gas and Transmission (OTC:CGTC).

As of Sept. 30, 1990 the gross book value of CG&T Corp. was $17,040,337.

The Wyandotte Tribe is a recognized Sovereign Tribe in the United States. As such it holds a corporate charter issued by the United States Congress. The Tribe is duly recognized by the U.S. Department of Defense as a ''regular dealer in fuels.''

The Wyandotte Tribe has also agreed to give Haben its 51 percent voting proxy until the planned merger between CG&T and Haben is completed. Once the merger is completed Haben will have a 49 percent stake in CG&T.

CG&T owns an oil refinery in Wilmington, N.C., which has the capacity to refine and blend more than 15,000 barrels per day. This refinery is strategically located to supply jet fuel to the armed forces.

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LONDON (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Speaking at the ''Liposomes in Drug Delivery: 21 Years On'' conference in London, Eric Mayhew, Ph.D. presented data showing that novel long-circulating liposomes enhanced the tumoricidal activity of an anthracycline oncology drug (epirubicin) in a preclinical study of an established colon carcinoma.

The long-circulating liposomes used by Dr. Mayhew in his study, and identified as Stealth liposomes to distinguish them from ''traditional'' liposomes, are proprietary to Liposome Technology Inc. (LTI), (NASDAQ:LTIZ), a

California-based pharmaceutical company.

In contrast, Stealth liposomes remain in circulation for 24 to 48 hours, preferentially surround the tumor, and slowly release epirubicin which then invades and kills the cancer cells over a relatively prolonged period.

Discussing the potential significance of these data, Dr. Mayhew said that Stealth-epirubicin was not injected until the colon carcinoma was established. The tumor in Dr. Mayhew's model was equivalent to a tumor that would be clinically detectable in humans. The purpose of this ''delayed treatment'' protocol was to more closely simulate the clinical situation where a patient typically would not present symptoms until the tumor had begun to grow.

The Stealth liposomes used in Dr. Mayhew's study were prepared with polyethyleneglycol (PEG), a proprietary coating patented by LTI. The PEG enables these long-circulating liposomes to evade detection and uptake by the reticuloendothelial system, circulate for 24 hours or more, and deliver a payload of drug to a target site.

During the same session, Albert A. Gabizon, M.D., Ph.D., today presented data showing that Stealth also improves the tumoricidal activity of another anthracycline drug, doxorubicin. Dr. Gabizon said that survival of laboratory models implanted with J6456 lymphoma in the peritoneal cavity, and infused with Stealth-encapsulated doxorubicin, was significantly increased over the survival rate observed in models treated with free doxorubicin.

These data suggest that Stealth liposomes loaded with an antitumor drug may be useful for treating advanced ovarian cancer, which often disseminates into the peritoneum and is extremely difficult to treat.

Dr. Gabizon used PEG-coated Stealth liposomes as well as Stealth liposomes coated with phosphatidylinositol (PI), another proprietary coating patented by LTI, in his investigations. He has concluded that the PEG liposomes are more stable ''in vivo'' and circulate longer than PI liposomes or any other liposome composition reported in the literature.

In addition, Dr. Gabizon postulates that the superior stability of PEG Stealth liposomes, as compared to PI liposomes, will increase the therapeutic index of certain Stealth-encapsulated oncology drugs, providing an opportunity to develop a line of improved anticancer products.

A Senior Investigator in the Department of Experimental Pathology, Roswell Park Memorial Institute, Buffalo, N.Y., Dr. Mayhew is continuing his preclinical investigations of Stealth epirubicin, sponsored by LTI and designed to identify specific tumor types that may be amenable to Stealth anthracycline therapy. Dr. Gabizon, a Senior Lecturer at Hebrew University, is associated with the Hadassah Medical Organization's Department of Oncology, Jerusalem, Israel.

He is conducting preclinical investigations of Stealth doxorubicin, also sponsored by LTI and designed to develop safety and other data as required to obtain regulatory approval for testing Stealth doxorubicin in humans.

Located in Menlo Park, Calif., LTI's key first-generation products include injectable amphotericin B colloidal dispersion (ABCD) for systemic antifungal therapy, inhaled albuterol to treat asthma and bronchitis, and injectable doxorubicin for anticancer therapy. The company's second-generation product focus is on utilizing LTI's proprietary long-circulating Stealth liposomes to target injectable anticancer drugs, including doxorubicin, to tumors and to deliver therapeutic proteins and peptides.

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ROCHESTER, N.H. (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Cabletron Systems Inc. (NYSE:CS) Friday announced that it had begun a public offering of 3,500,000 shares of common stock at a price of $25.00 per share.

Of the shares being offered, 1,250,000 shares are being offered by the company and 2,250,000 are being offered by selling stockholders.

The company and the selling stockholders have granted the underwriters options to purchase up to an additional 525,000 shares to cover over-allotment options.

Merrill Lynch & Co., The First Boston Corp., and Tucker Anthony Inc. are co-managers for the offering of 2,800,000 shares on the United States. Merill Lynch International Ltd., Credit Suisse First Boston Ltd. and Tucker Anthony Inc. are co-managers for the offering of 700,000 shares outside the United States.

Proceeds to the company from its portion of the offering will be used for capital expenditures, working capital and general corporate purposes.

Cabletron develops, manufactures, markets, installs and supports a wide range of standards-based local area network (LAN) connectivity products. The company's broad product line includes intelligent wiring hubs and related

products, other network interconnection equipment, network management software high-speed adapter cards, test equipment, and the four commonly used LAN transmission media.

Written prospectuses may be obtained from Merill Lynch & Co., World Financial Center, North Tower, New York, NY 10281, Attentopn: Prospectus Department (201) 878-6525; The First Boston Corp., Two World Trade Center, New York, NY 10055 (212) 322-1633; and Tucker Anthony Inc., One Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02108, Attnetion: Syndicate (617) 725-2008.

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DAYTON, OH (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Moto Photo Inc. (NASDAQ:MOTOP) decided Thursday to suspend the regular quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share on the company's $1.20 cumulative convertible preferred stock.

In announcing the action, Michael F. Adler, chairman and CEO of Moto Photo Inc., said, ''Given the general state of the economy and the softness both in the retailing and photographic industry, the board concluded that it would be prudent for the company to harbor its resources in every way possible.

''Our business is generating positive cash flows even in these difficult economic times as shown by our earnings before interest, dividends, taxes and depreciation of $2,663,000 for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1990.''

Adler continued, ''However, we recognize the company is highly leveraged and our cash resources have been principally used to pay debt. We believe it is imperative to continue to reduce our long term debt, upgrade our stores, and selectively pursue investment opportunities. The company will have available $500,000 for these purposes if the preferred dividend is not paid during 1991. This is significant.

''Moto has paid its quarterly preferred dividend for 20 consecutive quarters and we have only elected to take this step because we believe it is in the best long term interest of all of our shareholders. The dividend is cumulative and will accumulate until the dividends are reinstated.''

''Furthermore,'' Adler said, ''the company is taking additional steps to further increase its positive cash flow. General and administrative expenses for 1991 have been substantially reduced including a reduction of corporate staff. Seven losing stores will be closed. In addition, a select number of company stores will continue to be refranchised with proceeds used to strengthen the company's balance sheet.''

Moto Photo Inc., is a Dayton-based franchisor and operator of one-hour photofinishing stores with 342 stores in operation and 23 under development in the U.S., Canada, Norway and Sweden.

CONTACT: Moto Photo Inc., Dayton
David A. Mason, 513/854-6686

-30- 2348
#90348b0654 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Mylan Laboratories Inc., (NYSE:MYL) announced Friday that the regular quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per share will be paid Jan. 15, 1991 to shareholders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Mylan Laboratories Inc., Pittsburgh
Patricia Sunseri, 412/232-0100

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BURLINGTON, MA (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIE - Friday Rule Industries announced preliminary operating results for the fiscal year and quarter ended Aug. 31, 1990:

Rule Industries Inc.

	Quarter Ended Aug. 31	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$13,239,000	$13,624,000
Net income (loss)	(435,000)	533,000
Earnings per share	(.20)	.23
Average shares	2,215,236	2,327,556

	Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31	
	1990	1989
Revenues	$53,209,000	$51,080,000
Net income	452,000-(a)	2,044,000
Earnings per share	.20	.88
Average shares	2,253,207	2,331,558

(a)-Reflects: Year end and fourth quarter unusually high charges of $1,125,000 and $427,000, respectively.

Rule further commented that its fourth quarter performance was impacted more by unusually high charges primarily related to professional fees for the U.S. Anchor litigation and additional reserves for trade credits in a declining economy than by the nominal decrease in revenues. Despite the fourth quarter net loss the positive cash flow from non-cash expenses in the quarter more than

offset the loss and increased year end cash flows from net income and non-cash expenses by 15 percent to $3,715,000.

Rule Industries is a diversified manufacturer of products for marine and hardware markets. Through Phillips Screw Co., a wholly owned subsidiary, Rule licenses patents and trademarks on threaded fastening devices throughout the world.

CONTACT: Rule Industries, Burlington
Cindy Wood, 617/272-7400

-30- 2116
#90348b0661 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

PURCHASE, N.Y. (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - JWP Inc. (NYSE: JWP) Friday announced that John J. Phelan Jr., retiring chairman and chief executive officer of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), will become a member of JWP's board of directors effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Andrew T. Dwyer, chairman and chief executive officer of JWP, said, ''We are excited that John Phelan will be joining us. With his expansive knowledge of and experience in global financial markets as well as his impeccable reputation, Mr. Phelan will be an invaluable addition to our board.''

Phelan, who previously had annouced his decision to retire at the end of this year, has served as chariman and chief executive officer of the NYSE since May 1984. He was president and chief operating officer for the previous four years and also served as vice chairman of the NYSE board from 1975 to 1980. He has been associated with the securities industry for 35 years.

Phelan graduated magna cum laude from Adelphi University with a B.B.A. He holds honorary doctorates from Adelphi, Niagara, Notre Dame and Tulane Universities, Hamilton College and Polytechnic University of Brooklyn. He is a director of several organizations, including Eastman Kodak Co., Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc., Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., and Sonat Inc.

CONTACT: JWP Inc., Purchase
James R. Ryan, 914/935-4039

-30- 1536
#90348b0668 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

SYRACUSE, NY (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Diagnostic Medical Instruments Inc. reported revenues of $1,307,000 in the fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, an increase of 34.2 percent from revenues of $974,000 in the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

The company recorded net income of $16,000 for the fourth quarter compared to

a net loss of $785,000 recorded in the fourth quarter of last year.

The increase in revenue and improved operating results were primarily due to increasing sales of the new Altair PC Holter systems both domestically and internationally and to tight control of expenses.

Revenues for the year ended Sept. 30, were $5,227,000 compared to revenues of $5,500,000 in fiscal year 1989. The company recorded net income of $60,000, or 2 cents per share, for fiscal year 1990 compared to a loss of $1,262,000, or 32 cents per share, for 1989.

Diagnostic Medical Instruments Inc. designs, manufactures and markets ambulatory ECG systems and markets ambulatory blood pressure systems used in the diagnosis of cardiovascular problems.

CONTACT: Diagnostic Medical Instruments Inc., Syracuse
Richard J. Berk, or
Wyman P. Swanson, 315/437-1188 (DMI) or,
315/637-5263
315/797-7489

-30- 1440
#90348b0671 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

WORTHINGTON, OH (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Liqui-Box Corp. board of directors has announced a regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per common share.

This cash dividend is payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to holders of record on Jan. 1 1991.

CONTACT: Liqui-Box Corp., Worthington
Patricia Riordan, 614/888-9280

-30- 492
#90348b0672 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

PALO ALTO, CA (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - ALZA Corp. announced Friday that it is offering $750 million of Liquid Yield Option(TM) Notes (LYONs(TM)) due Dec. 21, 2010.

The size of the offering was increased to $750 million principal amount at maturity from $600 million through an amendment filed with the SEC today. The offering will result in approximately $166.4 million of net proceeds to ALZA which will be used by ALZA for general corporate purposes.

The ALZA LYONs are convertible zero coupon, subordinated notes that have no periodic interest payments.

Each of the LYONs is being offered by ALZA at $229.34 per $1,000 principal amount at maturity, representing a conversion rate of 4.326 ALZA Class A common shares per LYON. The yield to maturity is 7.50 percent per annum, computed on a semi-annual basis. Based on the closing price of $46.50 per ALZA share on Dec. 13, 1990, the initial conversion price is $53.01.

Merrill Lynch & Co. is acting as sole underwriter for the offering.

ALZA Corp., headquartered in Palo Alto, Calif., is a drug delivery systems company focusing on the development, manufacture and marketing of a broad range of proprietary pharmaceutical products. ALZA's therapeutic systems provide rate-controlled programmed administration of medication for both human and veterinary applications.

CONTACT: ALZA Corp., Palo Alto
Bonnie Burdett, 415/494-5222

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#90348b0675 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

CHESTNUT HILL, MASS. (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of General Cinema Corp. (NYSE:GCN) Friday declared its regular quarterly cash dividend of 12 cents per share on its common stock, 12.75 cents per share on its series A stock, and 10.8 cents per share on its class B stock.

All three dividends are payable Jan. 31, 1991 to stockholders of record Jan. 14, 1991.

This is the 122nd consecutive quarter in which the company has paid cash dividends.

General Cinema Corp. operates one of the largest theatre circuits in the United States. The company also is a leading specialty retailer through The Neiman Marcus Group, whose operations include Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman and Contempo Casuals. The company holds approximately $1.6 billion in cash and short-term investments.

CONTACT: General Cinema Corp., Chestnut Hill
Peter Farwell, 617/232-8200

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#90348b0687 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Rochester Gas and Electric Corp. announced Friday that 71 firms submitted 108 notices of intent to bid for RG&E's future electricity requirements.

RG&E's all-source bidding RFP No. 90-1 was issued Sept. 11. The company is requesting up to 50 MW of generating (supply-side) capacity and at least 20 MW of conservation and load management (demand-side) capacity savings.

Notices of intent to bid were requested by Nov. 12. However, notices may still be submitted. These notices are non-binding expressions of interest and do not commit their sponsors to submit a proposal in March 1991.

A total of 36 firms submitted supply-side projects while 35 demand-side sponsors are developing conservation projects that promise participating customers savings as well as reducing RG&E's need for new generation.

The total proposed supply-side capacity was 1564 MW. Individual projects ranged from 0.5 to 50 MW, with an average of 31 MW. Natural gas and a small number of projects using coal or waste comprised the majority of fuels specified.

A total of 176 MW was received for the demand-side projects. They ranged from 0.1 to 20 MW with an average of 4 MW. Although the majority of demand-side projects would involve commercial and industrial customers, there was also significant interest from bidders in the residential and institutional/government customer sectors.

''We are pleased by the preliminary indications of interest,'' said Paul Ruganis, RG&E's manager of corporate planning and demand-side management. ''We are looking for peaking capacity and the large number of sponsors who are prepared to offer dispatchable resources is a positive indication that the results will benefit the company and its ratepayers,'' said Ruganis.

CONTACT: Rochester Gas & Electric Corp., Rochester
Richard C. Peck, 716/724-8813

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HAMILTON, BERMUDA (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - NOREX AMERICA INC. (AMEX Symbol: NXA) Friday announced results for the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter ended Sept. 30 increased 128 percent to $12,654,000 as compared to $5,547,000 for the first quarter last year. Income from continuing operations increased to $1,593,000, or $0.27 per share, as compared to $335,000, or $0.07 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989.

During the first quarter of fiscal 1991, the company incurred expenses from discontinued operations, related to the sale, in May 1989, of Bermuda Star Line Inc., of $(19,000), or $0.00 per share. For the first quarter of fiscal 1990, the company reported income from discontinued operations of $382,000, or $0.09 per share.

Net income for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $1,574,000, or $0.27 per share, an increase of 119 percent over last year's first quarter net income of $717,000, or $0.16 per share.

Kristian Siem, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of NOREX AMERICA INC., stated, ''We are pleased with NOREX's excellent first quarter results, which were primarily attributable to the Company's successful investments in the offshore drilling rig debt of Global Marine. The rigs which collateralize this debt, and are the source of the debt service, continue to be profitably employed and provide a major source of NOREX's revenues.''

Siem continued, ''The Company's shipping operations, which are conducted through its 80 percent owned subsidiary Norgulf Shipping Limited, were negatively affected by the typically slow summer market for the transport of petroleum products and by higher than normal fuel costs for Norgulf's managed fleet. Even with these negative factors, however, Norgulf managed to break even during this period. During the Company's current second quarter, the petroleum products transport market has strengthened and we anticipate that Norgulf's contribution to NOREX's results will improve.''

NOREX AMERICA INC. is currently engaged in vessel ownership, tanker chartering, and the ownership of debt interests in offshore drilling equipment. It is pursuing investment and development in shipping and offshore marine activities.

CONTACT: Norex America, Hamilton
Frank Capstick, 809/293-2058
or David Wheeler, 713/752-2338

-30- 2547

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NAPPANEE, IN (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Mallard Coach Co. Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:MALC) announced its sales and operating results for the year ended Oct. 27.

Net income for the 52 weeks was $1,972,000 or 31 cents per share on sales of $168,910,000. This compared to net income of $4,176,000 or 66 cents on sales of $195,976,000 for last year.

Net loss for the 13 week quarter ended Oct. 27, was $537,000 or 9 cents a share on sales of $39,592,000. This compared to net income of $521,000 or 8 cents a share on sales of $47,539,000 for the like period last year.

The slump in demand for RV products which had developed by the onset of Mallard's fourth fiscal quarter became more pronounced by this quarter's end.

As Mallard's retail dealers grew more cautions in the face of events in the Middle East and the declining national economy, profit margins on Mallard products were narrowed to stimulate gross revenues and lower inventories.

This lead to a loss of earnings in the company's final quarter. Mallard expects to encounter a continuation of difficult market conditions in the months ahead. The company will continue its stringent cost controls in order to provide even greater product values for today's market.

Mallard Coach manufacturers motorized an pull-type recreational vehicles and truck campers in eight locations in Indiana, Michigan, Georgia and California. These products are sold under the brand names of MALLARD, PRAIRIE SCHOONER, FLIGHT LEADER, OVERLAND, DISCOVERY EXPRESS, LEXINGTON, SPRINTER, SPRINT, SPORT AND REAL-LITE.

The company's stock is traded on NASDAQ/NMS under the symbol MALC.

CONTACT: Mallard Coach Co. Inc., Nappanee
Jerry Pilmore, 219/773-2471

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#90348b0712 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

NEWARK, NJ (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Triple Threat Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ: BOXR) announced Friday that Alfred Cole, one of the three fighters which it manages, lost his first professional bout in a split decision to Leon Taylor, bringing his record to 15 and one.

Triple Threat Enterprises is engaged in the business of providing management and training services, facilities, and career business advice to professional boxers.

CONTACT: Bachner, Tally, Polevoy & Misher, New York, (212) 687-7000.

-30- 680
#90348b0724 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

STAMFORD, CONN. (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Senior Service Corp. (NASDAQ:SENR; BSE:SNR), the market leader in adult day services, announced Friday the cash sale of its U.K. large print book property, Library MAGNA Books Ltd., to the Ulverscroft Foundation for $1.85 million.

This builds Senior Service's cash position to ''comfortably in excess of $10 million,'' according to the company.

Kenneth Hamlet, chairman and CEO of Senior Service, commented that ''Our liquidity can and will finance substantial growth in home health services, complementing our adult day care initiatives. We believe health care in the

90s mandates these lower cost alternatives to nursing homes and hospitals. Senior Service, uniquely, combines home health and adult day care services under one corporate umbrella.''

CONTACT: Senior Service Corp., Stamford Kenneth B. Hamlet, 303/879-0736 or Edith Hunter, 303/879-0736

-30- 1088

#90348b0734 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Warrantech Corp. (NASDAQ:WTEC) announced Friday that Martin Gerber has been appointed as managing director for Warrantech's Consumer Product Services new Repair Master Division.

Gerber has an extensive background in the field of service contracts, with over 20 years experience in the consumer electronics industry with such companies as Sharp Electronics and Componentguard, a provider of service contracts. The primary responsibility of Gerber's new division will be to implement a fully insured program utilizing tangible packaging.

This program will be made available to distributors, wholesalers and mass merchants, providing them with the opportunity to offer service contract programs which can be purchased by consumers without having to rely on professional retail sales personnel.

''Approximately 40-50 percent of retail purchases of consumer electronics, appliances and home/office products are made in stores which do not possess the capability and/or the personnel to offer service contracts.

''These operations consist primarily of mass merchandisers, the wholesale clubs, small retail establishments and self-service stores. We believe that the majority of consumers today would like to have the option to purchase a service contract, and through this program our customers will be able to reach a significantly larger portion of that marketplace,'' Gerber stated.

Gerber will be located at the company's executive headquarters in Stamford, Conn.

Warrantech Corp. administers service contracts for consumer electronic products, appliances and home office equipment. Through Warrantech Dealer Based Services Inc., the company administers service contracts for automobiles and recreational vehicles.

CONTACT: The Wall Street Financial Corp., Los Angeles
Harley R. Gleckman or Edda Brown, 213/552-1555

-30- 2081

#90348b0740 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

LOS ANGELES, CA (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Haben Industries (NASDAQ:HABN) has signed a formal letter of intent with the Wyandotte Tribe of Oklahoma to sell 51 percent of the total outstanding shares for book value.

The total number of shares outstanding for City Gas and Transmission Corp. (OTC:CGTC) is (5,285,337). As of Sept. 30, 1990 the book value of CG&T Corp. was $17,040,337.

The Wyandotte Tribe is a recognized Sovereign Tribe in the United States. As such it holds a corporate charter issued by the United States Congress. The Tribe is duly recognized by the U.S. Department of Defense as a ''regular dealer in fuels.''

The Wyandotte Tribe has also agreed to give Haben its 51 percent voting proxy until the planned merger between CG&T and Haben is completed. Once the merger is completed Haben will have a 49 percent stake in CG&T.

CG&T owns an oil refinery in Wilmington, N.C., which has the capacity to refine and blend more than 15,000 barrels per day. This refinery is strategically located to supply jet fuel to the armed forces.

CONTACT: Haben Industries, Van Nuys, Calif.
Elmer Good, 818/997-8857
or
World Financial Network Inc., Los Angeles
Edward S. Rodiguez Mira, 800/245-4605

-30- 1422

#90348b0751 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

PROVIDENCE, RI (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Nortek Inc. (NYSE:NTK) announced Friday that it has declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.025 per share on the outstanding common stock of the corporation and $.01 per share on the outstanding special common stock.

Both cash dividends are payable Feb. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 28, 1990.

Nortek Inc. is a diversified Fortune 500 corporation, manufacturing and marketing residential and commercial building products and commercial ventilating and air conditioning systems.

CONTACT: Nortek Inc., Providence
Richard J. Harris, 401/751-1600

-30- 803

#90348b0760 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire
CHATTANOOGA, TN (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Spencer H. Wright, chairman, president and chief executive officer of First Chattanooga Financial Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:FCHT), the holding company of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Chattanooga, announced Friday that FCHT's board of directors had authorized an increase in its stock repurchase program to $12 million from $8 million.

Since the inception of the stock repurchase program in May of 1989, FCHT has repurchased a total of 536,251 shares at an aggregate costs of $7,996,150 for an average purchase price per share of $14.91. FCHT intends to continue to make open market purchases of its stock as market conditions may permit.

First Chattanooga Financial Corp. is incorporated under the laws of the State of Tennessee. First Federal, its wholly owned subsidiary, operates 11 offices in Southeastern Tennessee. The holding company's common stock is traded over-the-counter in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol ''FCHT.''

CONTACT: First Chattanooga Financial Corp., Chattanooga
Bert L. Hicks, 615/752-1505

-30- 1287
#90348b0767 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Seven major banks have extended a one year $750 million line of credit to McDonnell Douglas to help fund the firm's working capital needs in 1991, according to Aviation Week & Space Technology magazine.

Senior business editor Anthony Velocci Jr. reports that the new funding pool supplements a revolving $1.4 billion line of credit that the financially ailing company negotiated earlier this year with 28 domestic and overseas banks.

McDonnell Douglas, the subject of bankruptcy fears, regards the new funding as an expression of banking confidence in the company. But industry analysts have a different view. One of them told Velocci the banks had no choice but to extend the new credit because they "essentially own the company. The banks believe, and rightly so, that the government is not about to allow the nation's number one defense contractor to go under."

The company's $3.2 billion of short and long term debt at the end of 1990 will remain at about the same level next year. That will burden McDonnell Douglas with debt-to-equity ratio of about 84 percent - extremely high, even by the standards of the heavily debt-laden aerospace industry.

The company is also facing a $1 billion tax liability. A senior McDonnell

Douglas official dismissed the talk of bankruptcy as "ludicrous" and attributed the speculation to "sell-side analysts." He said the company has a "relatively strong balance sheet asset-wide," although it may have a liquidity problem.

Aviation Week & Space Technology, published weekly by McGraw-Hill, is the leading journal for the worldwide aviation, aerospace and defense industries. The current issue also spotlights these key developments:

Opening Up Europe's Airline Industry: Bonn bureau chief Michael Mecham reports that regulations proposed by the European Community Commission could force commercial air carriers that enjoy "grandfather rights" to take-off and landing slots to relinquish some of them to new entrants.

The proposed regulations are part of a new "code of conduct" adopted by the EC Commission, intended to insure that airport authorities do not favor their national airlines over new competition. The proposal, approved by the EC's Transport ministers, is likely to face stiff opposition from Europe's airlines and the air transport industry.

Airline Marketing Tactics Attacked: Key U.S. airport officials have launched an attack on airline marketing tactics, calling them destructive to airport development and to consumer interests.

CONTACT: Aviation Week & Space Technology, New York, Raymond J. DeAngelo or Luciana Borbely, (212) 512-3851.

-30- 2877
#90348b0778 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire
MERRIMACK, N.H. (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - Chemical Fabrics Corp. (CHEMFAB)(OTC:CMFB) Friday announced that it has settled the litigation involving the construction of the roof on the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome stadium in Minneapolis.

Under the terms of the settlement agreement, CHEMFAB paid $1.7 million in cash in exchange for a full release from all claims related to the design and construction of the fabric roof on the Metrodome stadium. In April 1990, a judgement was rendered against CHEMFAB and, accordingly, in the quarter ended June 30 the company recorded a $2.9 million pre-tax charge against earnings to provide for the loss contingency. That judgement will now be vacated and dismissed.

Commenting on the settlement, Duane C. Montopoli, CHEMFAB's president and chief executive officer, said, ''Although we maintain that the Metrodome roof was properly constructed in conformity with the contract requirements, we are quite pleased with this outcome. Considering the uncertainty of the appeal process and the amount of the settlement payment in relationship to the amount

of the trial court judgement including interest, we believe this to be a very favorable settlement.''

Montopoli also commented on the business outlook for the current fiscal year. He said, ''The convergence of a number of different factors will likely cause the company's sales growth rate to moderate in the second quarter. A soft U.S. economy and a weak dollar in international markets is triggering increased price competition in some of our standard product areas. Also the booking and performance of a number of government contracts is being delayed beyond the end of the quarter. Nevertheless, we expect to be back on track in the second half of the year, and the business outlook for the full year remains good.''

CHEMFAB is an international advanced performance materials company that designs, manufactures and markets flexible composite products intended for use in extreme environments. Typical products consist of woven fiberglass or other high-strength reinforcements coated or laminated with thermoplastics and elastomers, and specialty fluoropolymer films. Worldwide end-use applications are in industrial, architectural, communications, military and protective clothing markets.

CONTACT: Chemical Fabrics Corp., Merrimack William H. Everett, 603/424-9000 or Albert Frank-Guenther Law Inc., New York Darrell T. Oliver, 212/612-1433

-30- 2658

#90348b0790 12/14/1990 ~Business Wire

PURCHASE, NY (DEC. 14) BUSINESS WIRE - International Paper Friday announced it has established a special reserve of $212 million pre-tax ($137 million after tax), equivalent to $1.26 per common share after tax, which will be charged against 1990 fourth quarter earnings.

Establishment of the reserve follows a detailed company-wide review of all business activities. The company has decided to sell or liquidate certain assets that are either not strategically important, or on which the company is not realizing an adequate return on investment.

John A. Georges, chairman and chief executive officer, characterized the move as ''very positive'' since it ''will enable us to recapture capital that can be better invested elsewhere. This will have a favorable effect on earnings and cash flow in 1991 and succeeding years.''

Asset sales are expected to generate as much as $200 million in after-tax proceeds over the next three years. The company estimates that the pre-tax earnings benefit from these actions will be $25-$40 million annually. Financial returns are expected to be greater in the later years as assets are sold.

Georges said the facilities and business units that have been identified for disposition are not being disclosed at this time but represent more than two-thirds of the total reserve.

He added that the remainder of the reserve would provide for certain costs associated with environmental remediation at several wood-treating plants and personnel costs related to consolidation of activities and improved operating efficiencies.

For the first nine months of 1990, earnings were $546 million or $5.01 per share. In commenting on full-year 1990 results, Georges said, ''We anticipate that fourth quarter operating earnings, before the special charge, will be in line with the analysts' expectations. While the U.S. economy has clearly slowed during the quarter, several factors continue to have a positive influence on our performance. Demand for uncoated printing and writing papers has held up well. Our European businesses have turned in strong earnings all year. Further, exports of bleached board and linerboard, buoyed by the relatively low dollar exchange rate, have been stronger than year earlier levels.''

Looking beyond 1990, Georges commented ''While the economic picture is uncertain, we are confident that the steps taken to lower costs, introduce more value added products, diversify geographically and divest ourselves of under-performing assets will serve us well in 1991 and the years to come.''

International Paper, headquartered in Purchase, N.Y., is a worldwide producer of a wide variety of paper and forest products. The company is a major producer of printing and writing papers, paperboard and packaging products and wood products. The company also operates specialty products businesses and distributes paper and wood products. International Paper has manufacturing operations in 22 countries and exports its products to more than 100 nations.

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Robert D. Leahy, 914/397-1666 (Media contact) or,
203/359-8175 (home)
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203/622-8457 (home)
or
Carol S. Tutundgy, 914/397-1632 (Analyst contact) or,
201/568-4774 (home)
Catherine J. Mathis, 914/397-1623 (Analyst contact) or,
212/289-0880 (home)

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#90348c0003 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:11 that trade in Moto Photo Inc.(NASDAQ: MOTO) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3/4.

The company is located in Dayton, Ohio.

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#90348c0004 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:36 that trade in Veronex Resources LTD. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol VX.

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#90348c0006 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:48 that trade in Moto Photo Inc.(NASDAQ: MOTO) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 1/2, 1; down 1/4 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90348c0007 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 13) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:09 that trade in Comfed Bancorp. Inc. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol CFK.

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#90348c0008 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:05 that trade in Medtronic has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE ticker symbol MDT.

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#90348c0009 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Comfed Bancorp has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange ticker symbol CFK. Trading was resumed at 12:10.

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#90348c0010 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at that trade in Chrysler Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, the ticker symbol is (C).

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#90348c0011 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Society

for Savings Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: SOCS) adopted a plan on Nov. 29, 1990 to restructure substantially the balance sheet and business profile of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Society for Savings, a Connecticut-chartered stock savings bank.

Society reports the restructuring is intended to scale down the company through a reduction in assets and liabilities of up to $1.60 billion.

Society also will seek to either sell off or discontinue certain business lines and to cut its G & A expense levels, through staff reductions, a salary freeze and related measures.

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#90348c0012 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Vanguard Real Estate Fund I(TICKER: VERO), a Sales-Commission-Free Income Properties Fund.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(884,000)	$1,805,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$0.16
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,433,703	11,433,703

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$121,562,000	$122,476,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$107,100,000	$109,841,000

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#90348c0014 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 26, 1990, Ansonia Derby Water Co.(TICKER: ADBY) reports it was advised that its independent accountants, Laventhol & Horwath, that the partners in Laventhol's Bridgeport office had elected, as of Nov. 19, 1990, to withdraw from the firm, and that the company would be unable to service Ansonia's accounting needs.

The company reports it will shortly begin the process of selecting new accountants.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90348c0015 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by La Teko Resources Ltd.(TICKER: LAOR). Figures are reported in Canadian dollars.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$973,838	$2,363,972
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(496,761)	$10,155
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$(0.00)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,445,159	$9,650,465
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,820,877	$7,359,311

-30- 1050

#90348c0016 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 11, 1990, the board of directors of Homestead Holding Corp.(TICKER: HMSD) determined to release copies of supervisory directives issued to its wholly-owned subsidiary, Homestead Savings Association.

The directives were dated Sept. 7, 1990 and Sept. 12, 1990 from the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) and the Pennsylvania Dept. of Banking ("Department").

The directives, Homestead reports, limit the growth of the association during any fiscal quarter to an amount equal to net interest credited on deposit liabilities during the respective fiscal quarter and generally restricts the Association from engaging in commercial real estate, business and real estate development lending and paying of dividends.

-30- 969
#90348c0017 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Quartz Mountain Gold Corp.(TICKER: QZMG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$18,109	$11,487
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(223,229)	$(157,758)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	25,710,603	23,685,603

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,579,537	$13,819,126
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(6,741,848)	$(6,518,619)

The company reports it is in the exploration and development stage and has not earned any revenue from mining operations; additionally, the firm does not know when such revenue may be generated. Its executive offices are located at 950 - 789 West Pender Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 1H2. Its telephone number is (604) 662-7557.

-30- 1443
#90348c0025 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:00 that trade in Gemini Energy (NASDAQ: GEMI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 4 5/8.

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#90348c0026 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:29 that trade in Rubicon Corp.(NASDAQ:RBCN) has been halted pending news. The last bid-offer was 1/8, 7/16. The company is located in Richardson, Texas.

-30- 344
#90348c0027 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13030 that trade in Guy F. Atkinson Co.(NASDAQ: ATKN) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 9 1/8. The company is located in San Francisco.

-30- 368
#90348c0030 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:19 that trade in Guy F. Atkinson Co.(NASDAQ: ATKN) has been resumed. The first sale was 8 1/2; down 5/8 point from the halt, and down 1/4 point from the previous close.

-30- 365
#90348c0031 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by L.A. Entertainment Inc.(TICKER: LAET).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$626,423	$578,536
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$32,474	$(274,062)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	32,900,000	32,900,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,881,922	$1,856,302
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,290,743	$1,203,169

-30- 1092
#90348c0032 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 10, 1990, All American Television Inc.(TICKER: ALLT) reported it had been advised that its former certifying accountants, Laventhol & Horwath, has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

The firm, therefore, will not continue its audit engagements, including that of All American.

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#90348c0033 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Executive Telecard (TICKER: EXTL) reports that on Nov. 6, 1990, Singapore Telecom purchased 1.0 million shares of the company's outstanding common stock at $5 per share, representing 14.3% of the outstanding shares.

Executive states Singapore Telecom does not intend to place a member on the board of directors of Executive and there are no arrangements between Singapore and Executive.

The transaction reduced the position of Network Data Systems Ltd., the largest shareholder of Executive, from 20.0% to 17.0% of the outstanding shares.

Additionally, Executive reports it acquired 912,300 warrants to purchase its common stock at $2.50 per share from International 800 Telecom Corp. on Nov. 30, 1990.

The price for the transaction was $2.28 million, states Executive.

This reduces the number of warrants held by Telecom in Executive to 1.09 million warrants.

Executive purchased all the 87,500 outstanding options to purchase shares in Executive in consideration of $130,875.

In other news, on Nov. 10, 1990, Robert A. Roach resigned as president and chief executive officer of Executive.

He was removed as a director, and William V. Moore was elected president and chief executive officer on Nov. 12, 1990.

Allen Mandel was elected senior vice president of Executive in charge of information systems and administration.

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#90348c0034 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 12, 1990, the board of directors of Profit Technology Inc.(TICKER: PRTE) and Fawaz Farouki agreed to terminate the Feb. 24, 1989 employment agreement between them, and to enter a new employment agreement.

Under the new agreement, Profit reports it will agree to employ Farouki as

chief executive officer, chief operating officer and president of the company and to nominate Farouki for election or reelection to the board of directors in connection with each meeting of the company's stockholders during the term convened for such election.

Also under the new agreement, the company states Farouki will receive an annual base salary of $360,000, and annual commission compensation, equal to 15% of the company's annual pretax income.

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#90348c0035 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that due to globalization and expanding operations, Makita Electric Works Ltd. (TICKER: MKTA) reports that on April 1, 1991, it will change its name to Makita Corp.

The company also states that its subsidiary in the United Kingdom, Makita Manufacturing Europe Ltd., is still in the construction phase and that plant operations are expected to begin in the spring of 1991.

Additionally, to further promote research and development, the company says it will complete construction of its research and development laboratory located at the Nisshin Research and Development park near Nagoya by the end of 1991.

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#90348c0036 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Integrated Resources American Insured Mortgage Investors (TICKER: AIMB)- Series 85, A California Limited Partnership.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,160,912	$5,395,193
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,954,334	$4,433,568
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER UNIT	$0.31	$0.35

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$233,801,117	$237,634,258

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$228,865,946	$232,671,161

-30- 1111
#90348c0038 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Oct. 3, 1990, Templeton Value Fund Inc.(TICKER: TVF) dismissed its former certifying accountants, Coopers & Lybrand, and appointed McGladrey & Pullen in that office.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 614
#90348c0039 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows the Chicago regional office of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has notified Printron Inc. that it intends to seek authorization from the SEC to file a civil complaint for permanent injunctive relief following an informal inquiry with which the company states it participated fully.

Printron reports it is the company's understanding that the staff of the regional office would allege that Karl R. Huber Jr. was an undisclosed partner defacto officer and director, controlling person, significant employee and beneficial owner of the company.

Printron states it is looking into these allegations to determine an appropriate course of action.

The company says that it has learned that Huber was convicted in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia in 1985 on a single count of conspiracy in causing four limited partnership coal tax shelters and their respective limited partners to file false income tax returns between 1976 and 1980.

According to Printron's account, Huber was a syndicator of these partnerships, which claimed losses that later were disallowed by the government.

-30- 1374
#90348c0040 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Alleco Inc. reports that on Nov. 20, 1990, its certifying accountant, Laventhol & Horwath, ceased its operations.

-30- 325
#90348c0041 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Hydratron (T.M.) Systems Inc.(TICKER: HYDS) reports it sold its equipment for $12,000 to be used to construct a new Hydratron (T.M.) machine prototype for use by management in attempting to interest prospective investors or purchasers in the process.

In other news, Eric H. Moss and Herbert Baumeister resigned from the company's board of directors.

Baumeister resigned as secretary, but still functions as treasurer.

The board elected Philip Ryan and Harvey Hauser as directors to fill the vacancies, and Ryan additionally was elected secretary.

-30- 794
#90348c0042 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Transcolor Corp. states that on Nov. 20, 1990, its certifying accountant, Laventhol & Horwath, ceased its operations.

-30- 322
#90348c0043 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Big Sky Transportation Co.(TICKER: BIGS) reports that it is delinquent on its Form 10-Q reports for the quarters ended Sept. 30, 1989, Dec. 31, 1989, March 31, 1990 and Sept. 30, 1990.

It also still is delinquent on its Form 10-K for the years ended June 30, 1989 and 1990.

On July 30, 1990, in a letter to the SEC, Big Sky states it formally raised its reporting delinquency and requested assistance.

On Oct. 10, 1990, through the company's legal counsel, it proposed to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission copies of the monthly reports and schedules that are required to be filed with the Bankruptcy Court and the U.S. Trustee's Office, in lieu of a 10-Q report for each quarter presently delinquent, as well as future quarters.

-30- 1002
#90348c0044 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 19, 1990, Barnett Banks Inc.(TICKER: BBI) and Morgan Guaranty Trust Co. of New

York entered into a subordinated trust indenture in connection with the registration of $200.0 million of Barnett's debt securities.

This includes medium-term notes, Series A.

-30- 503
#90348c0046 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY ALPINE ASSOCIATES LP. OWNS 356,100 SHARES (6.65%) OF MILTON ROY CO.(TICKER: MRC) OF PETERSBURG, FLORIDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 3, 1990 and Dec. 6, 1990 Alpine Associates LP, et al. purchased 85,400 shares at $26.88 to $27.63 per share.

-30- 477
#90348c0047 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result of the sale of Bio Vascular Co.(TICKER: BVAS) shares by Meadox Medicals Inc. on Dec. 12, 1990, Meadox Medicals Inc. ceased to own any Bio Vascular Co. common shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 12, 1990 Meadox Medicals Inc. sold 333,000 shares at $1.75 per share.

-30- 477
#90348c0048 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 16

GROUP LED BY GENEVE CORPORATION OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT OWNS 358,534 SHARES (3.27%) OF FIRST CONSTITUTION FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: FCON) OF NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In order to pursue its remedies under the sale agreement, between Dec. 6 and Dec. 12, 1990 Southern sold 536,566 shares at $1 to $1.13 per share.

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#90348c0049 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY CALVARY HOLDINGS INC. OWNS 100,000 SHARES (1.90%) OF DICEON ELECTRONICS INC.(TICKER: DICN) OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 7, 1990 Calvary Partners filed suit against Diceon Electronics Inc. seeking an order to compel the production of Diceon Electronics Inc.'s stockholder lists for inspection and copying. A hearing was scheduled for Dec. 20, 1990 in connection with the lawsuit. On Dec. 10, 1990 Diceon Electronics Inc. filed suit against Calvary Holdings and Calvary Partners alleging, among other things, that Calvary Partners proposals to amend Diceon Electronics Inc. bylaws with respect to the qualifications of directors of in conflict with Diceon Electronics Inc.'s certificate of incorporation and Delaware law.

-30- 978

#90348c0051 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 14) COMTEX - Chicago-based Selfix Inc.(TICKER: SLFX) has agreed to buy the Homecraft Consumer Products Group of Dynacast Inc. for $2.04 million.

The acquisition will include assets related to production and packaging, patents, trademarks and service marks home, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 13, 1990.

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#90348c0052 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 14) COMTEX - Germantown, Md.-based Microlog Corp. (TICKER: MLOG) has acquired Genesis Electronics Corp., a Rancho Cordova, California, designer and assembler of voice-processing systems, for 675,000 Microlog common shares and $500,000 cash, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 13, 1990.

-30- 562
#90348c0053 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY KUWAM CORP. OF WASHINGTON, D.C. OWNS 236,800 SHARES (10.80%) OF ILC TECHNOLOGY INC.(TICKER: ILCT) OF SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Dec. 3 and Dec. 6, 1990 Kuwam Corp., et al. sold 42,000 shares at $10.25 to $12.25 per share.

-30- 467
#90348c0055 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY METSOUTH FINANCIAL CORP. OWNS 3,074,847 SHARES (32.00%) OF US SHELTER CORP. OF GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Stockholders of US Shelter Corp. will be asked to approve the transactions contemplated by the asset purchase option agreement at an annual meeting on Dec. 31, 1990. On Dec. 10, 1990, a registration statement on Form S-4, Registration No. 33-38094 of Shelter Holding was declared effective, thereby registering with the Commission shares of the class A and B common stock of Shelter Holding. Proxy materials relating to the annual meeting were distributed on Dec. 11, 1990. On Dec. 7, Shelter Holding mailed the Second Riverbend Proxy to Riverbend Investors LP and as of Dec. 8, 1990, each of Metsouth Financial Corp., et al., by virtue of the Second New Proxies (excluding the Second Riverbend Proxy) continued to beneficially own, with shared power to vote or to direct the vote of, but without any power to dispose or to direct the disposition of 3,074,847 shares, 32 percent, of the outstanding Shelter common stock.

-30- 1295
#90348c0057 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 16:00 that trade in Rubicon Corp.(NASDAQ: RBCN) has been resumed. The first bid was 1/4; up 1/8 point from the halt, and down 1/16 point from the previous close.

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#90348c0058 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Acqua Group Inc. filed to offer 500,000 units consisting of two shares of common stock and one common stock purchase warrant, for a total of 1.0 million shares of common stock.

The common stock and the warrants are separately transferable immediately upon issue, Acqua states. Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase over a five-year period one share of common stock at $3.60 per share during the first 24 months, $3.90 per share during the next 24 months and $4.20 per share for the remaining 12 months. Warrant exercise prices are subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. After 90 days, warrants are subject to redemption at $0.05 per warrant on 30 days' written notice with the underwriter's prior written consent.

Thomas James Associates Inc. is managing the offering, with RAF Financial Corp.

Acqua Group assembles, markets and distributes Acqua Cooler (tm) bottleless water coolers for use in offices, hospitals, hotels and other commercial establishments.

The company's executive offices are located at 7100 De Celis Place, Van Nuys, California 91406, and its telephone number is (818) 988-2254.

-30- 1360

#90348c0059 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (NOV. 14) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows QTV Communications Corp. filed to amend its prior registration statement in which it filed to offer 612,000 shares of Class A common stock. Of those shares, the company states, 280,000 (322,000) if the representatives over-allotment option is exercised in full) are being sold by QTV Communications Corp. Additionally, 300,000 shares are being registered for future sale by certain stockholders of QTV, states the company.

Robert Todd Financial Corp. is managing the offering.

The company is engaged in the development and sale of alternative advertising. At present, QTV reports, its efforts focus on exploitation of a network of continuous display and interactive audio visual kiosks, which QTV calls its "Airport Video Network."

QTV's executive offices are located at 369 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10017, and its telephone number is (212) 972-9800.

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#90348c0060 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Haben Industries Inc.(TICKER: HABN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$193	$134,095
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(593,180)	$5,392,716

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,306,467	$18,372,407
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,064,274	$7,657,454

The company reports that as of Nov. 15, 1990, it did not have any sources of income or any other readily available sources of capital. Its executive offices are located at 14725 Arminta Street, Van Nuys, CA 91402, and its telephone number is (818) 787-7246.

-30- 1203

#90348c0061 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Unico Inc.(TICKER: UICO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,713,900	$1,819,792
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(51,677)	$6,267
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,202,064	5,201,849

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,519,723	$4,398,692
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,249,454	$3,264,248

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#90348c0062 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30, 1990, Symbolics Inc.(TICKER: SMBX) reports, a one-for-ten stock split of its common stock became effective.

As a result, the number of authorized shares of common stock has been reduced from 75.0 million to 7.50 million.

The number of outstanding shares of its common stock has been reduced from 27.71 million to 2.77 million.

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#90348c0064 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Excalibur Technologies Corp.(TICKER: EXCA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$394,509	$327,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,015,713)	$(439,518)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.14)	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,248,199	5,451,981

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$16,855,067	$4,580,333
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,109,827	$4,355,179

-30- 1113
#90348c0065 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The agreement of limited partnership of Argonaut Partners I, LP, dated as of June 1, 1989, as amended and restated, has been further amended so as to require the consent of New Arrow with respect to certain actions by or on behalf of Argonaut and the Partnership, including the incurrence of indebtedness, the making of any call for additional capital, and the amendment of any dissolution provisions of the partnership agreements of such partnerships, and to require certain actions be taken by Argonaut upon the request of New Arrow. In connection with the tax dispute between Mary Kay and the Internal Revenue Service, the senior debt instruments provide that Argonaut may be required to liquidate or cause to be liquidated a portion of its holdings in Avon. The tax dispute is scheduled to be heard in April 1991.

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#90348c0066 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY CENTER INC OWNS 3,487,157 SHARES (35.30%) OF U S SHELTER CORP (TICKER: HUSSSC) OF GREENVILLE, SC.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Certain members of Center Inc. granted U.S. Shelter Corp. the right to vote their shares with certain irrevocable proxies. Such proxies were granted in connection with a certain asset purchase option agreement dated July 23, 1990 as amended Aug. 30 and Nov. 30, 1990. The stockholders of U.S. Shelter Corp. will be asked to approve a proposal to adopt the asset purchase option agreement and approve the transactions contemplated thereby at U.S. Shelter Corp. annual meeting to be held Dec. 31, 1990. On Nov. 29, 1990 Lambert Brussels, Shelter Holdings, the partnership, the general partner MAG and Farkas executed a letter agreement under which the parties amended each of the commitment letter and the standstill agreement as provided in the Lambert amendment letter. On Dec. 10, 1990 a registration statement on form S4 of the issuer was declared effective thereby registering with the SEC certain shares

of the class A and B stock of U.S. Shelter Corp.. Center's total stake is unclear from the information given.

-30- 1354
#90348c0070 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 28

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 13, 1990 Kansas Gas & Electric (TICKER: KGE) announced it will now be able to focus its attention to completing to process of the merger with The Kansas Power and Light Co. (TICKER: KAN) as a result of the announcement of Kansas City Power and Light Co. that it was terminating its tender offer for all outstanding and preferred shares of KG&E.

-30- 588
#90348c0071 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AGATHA GEIGER OF 31-31 41ST STREET, ASTORI, QUEENS, NY 11103, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF THRIFTY TELEPHONE INC. (TICKER: TTEL) THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 06, 1990.

(THRIFTY TELEPHONE INC. TEL: 714 740-2880)

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#90348c0072 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - P J W FAIRFAX HON OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,332 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

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#90348c0073 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

BCE INC OF MONTREAL, QUEBEC OWNS 5,094,300 SHARES (63.50%) OF QUEBECOR INC

(TICKER: PQB) OF MONTREAL, CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION: From Oct. 19, 1990 through Nov. 8, 1990, BCE purchased 800 and 20,000 class B shares, respectively, at a price of $10.50 per share.

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#90348c0076 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, ISADORE H HANDMAKER, DIR. OF CONTINENTAL AIRLINES HLDGS INC. (TICKER: QCTA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.11 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 353
#90348c0077 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, RONALD W MCDOWELL, DIR. OF COUNTY BANCORPORATION INC. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,209.

-30- 305
#90348c0078 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, GENE E WILLS, DIR. OF COUNTY BANCORPORATION INC. BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,020.

-30- 297
#90348c0079 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, A R SANCHEZ JR, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNATIONAL BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 1,782 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 142,015.

-30- 326
#90348c0080 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, A R SANCHEZ JR, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNATIONAL BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 50,864 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 103,764.

-30- 330
#90348c0081 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 07, 1990, ANTONIO R SANCHEZ, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 1,782 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 408,839.

-30- 318
#90348c0082 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 17, 1990, ANTONIO R SANCHEZ, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL BANCSHARES CORP. SOLD 50,864 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 408,839.

-30- 319
#90348c0084 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, PHILIP H HOARD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LA-MAN CORP (TICKER: LAMN) BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 145,000.

-30- 322
#90348c0085 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG. 20, 1990 TO NOV. 09, 1990, MAX D TAVERNIER, DIR. OF LA-MAN CORP. (TICKER: LAMN) BOUGHT 21,784 SHARES FROM $0.27 TO $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,284.

-30- 336
#90348c0086 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 14, 1990 TO NOV. 28, 1990, PAWNEE PETROLEUM CO, BEN. OWNER OF TIDE WEST OIL CO. (TICKER: TIDE) BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES FROM $2.38 TO $2.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,096,500.

-30- 359
#90348c0087 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 19, 1990, THOMAS R EBRIGHT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ROYCE VALUE TRUST INC. (TICKER: RVT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 96,406.

-30- 351
#90348c0088 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 19, 1990, CHARLES M ROYCE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ROYCE VALUE TRUST INC. (TICKER: RVT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 96,406.

-30- 353
#90348c0089 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 01, 1990, JOE B HUFFSTUTLER, DIR. OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: URIX) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 321
#90348c0090 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 12, 1990, ROSS M PATTEN, SHAREHOLDER OF WHEELABRATOR TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: WTI), SOLD 520 SHARES AT $35.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,010.

-30- 344
#90348c0092 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, JOHN B CHAPMAN, VP OF PETER KIEWIT SON'S INC BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $40.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 301
#90348c0093 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, RICHARD R JAROS, VP OF PETER KIEWIT SON'S INC BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $40.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,900.

-30- 300
#90348c0094 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, ROBERT E JULIAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PETER KIEWIT SON'S INC. BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $40.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 269,892.

-30- 336
#90348c0095 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, JAMES O SPITZENBERGER, VP OF PETER KIEWIT SON'S INC BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $40.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,256.

-30- 315
#90348c0096 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, KENNETH E STINSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PETER KIEWIT SON'S INC BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $40.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 128,288.

-30- 336
#90348c0097 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, THOMAS C STORTZ, VP OF PETER KIEWIT SON'S INC BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $40.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,600.

-30- 304
#90348c0098 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, FRANK V YELICK, VP OF PETER KIEWIT SON'S INC BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $40.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,088.

-30- 301
#90348c0100 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, EBEN W PYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF AMBASE CORP. (TICKER: ABC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 304
#90348c0101 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, JAMES T CAVANAUGH III, SHAREHOLDER OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), SOLD 153,000 SHARES FROM $7.63 TO $9.12 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,386.

-30- 367
#90348c0102 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, DANIEL L DRAKE, DIR. OF AUTODESK INC. (TICKER: ACAD), SOLD 11,258 SHARES AT $45.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 244,591.

-30- 303
#90348c0103 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, DEBORAH A DOVE, VP OF ADVANTA CORP. (TICKER: ADVN), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,641.

-30- 294
#90348c0104 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, ROBERT G HOLMES JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AERO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AESM), BOUGHT 55,000 SHARES FROM $0.25 TO $0.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,344,624.

-30- 396
#90348c0105 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, HOWARD E LUBOW, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMERIFAX INC. (TICKER: AFAX), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 350
#90348c0106 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, GAVIN S HERBERT, CHAIRMAN OF ALLERGAN INC. (TICKER: AGN), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES FROM $14.00 TO $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 286,973.

-30- 346
#90348c0108 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 25, 1990, DAVID J GLADSTONE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALLIED CAPITAL CORP. II (TICKER: ALII), SOLD 11,202 SHARES AT $15.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,585.

-30- 352
#90348c0109 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, DAVID J GLADSTONE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ALLIED CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: ALLC), SOLD 19,250 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,125.

-30- 348
#90348c0110 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, MICHAEL A ELLISON, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), BOUGHT 437 SHARES AT $11.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,972.

-30- 301
#90348c0111 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 04, 1990 TO NOV 09, 1990, MICHAEL A ELLISON, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 1,885 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,972.

-30- 337

#90348c0112 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, RICHARD H FORTE, OFFICER OF ADVANCED MICRO DEVICES INC. (TICKER: AMD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,437.

-30- 335
#90348c0113 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, STANLEY M FRIDSTEM, OFFICER OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 14,000 SHARES FROM $7.13 TO $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,495.

-30- 383
#90348c0114 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, LENNY M TARGON, OFFICER OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC), SOLD 14,000 SHARES FROM $7.13 TO $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,518.

-30- 380
#90348c0116 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN LIST CORP. (TICKER: AMZ), SOLD 9,200 SHARES FROM $17.00 TO $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,383,840.

-30- 358
#90348c0117 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, LAURENCE J MILY, BEN. OWNER OF PARTECH HOLDINGS CORP (TICKER: APHC), SOLD 1,839,043 SHARES AT $0.23 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90348c0118 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, JOHN A CHMURA, VP OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT

2,500 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,973.

-30- 293
#90348c0119 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, HERBERT J ROWE, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 296
#90348c0120 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JAMES D LACY, VP OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,625.

-30- 292
#90348c0121 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, E ORAN BRIGHAM, PRES. OF AVANTEK INC. (TICKER: AVAK), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,527.

-30- 306
#90348c0122 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, ARNOLD DUHON & OBERFELL TRUSTEES, TTEE OF AVONDALE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AVDL), BOUGHT 675,000 SHARES FROM $4.13 TO $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,346,509.

-30- 371
#90348c0124 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUN 18, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, RONALD H ABRAHAMS, VP OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 2,141 SHARES FROM $25.00 TO $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,390.

-30- 349
#90348c0125 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 13, 1990, LESTER B KNIGHT III, VP OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 816 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,375.

-30- 314
#90348c0126 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ROBERT H KANNER, CHAIRMAN OF BOBBIE BROOKS INC. (TICKER: BBKS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 822,262.

-30- 324
#90348c0127 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, WILLIAM C BATTLE, DIR. OF THE BLACK & DECKER CORP. (TICKER: BDK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,800.

-30- 319
#90348c0128 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, GARY T DICAMILLO, OFFICER OF THE BLACK & DECKER CORP. (TICKER: BDK), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,015.

-30- 324
#90348c0129 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM APR 03, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF BUILDERS DESIGN INC. (TICKER: BDNI), SOLD 10,500 SHARES FROM $0.21 TO $0.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 414,898.

-30- 360
#90348c0130 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, RICHARD P OLEARY, VP OF BETZ LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BETZ), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO

5,180.

-30- 316
#90348c0132 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, DAVID A GERALDSON, DIR. OF BANDO MCGLOCKLIN CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: BMCC), BOUGHT 12,500 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,605.

-30- 346
#90348c0133 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, GEORGE F RAYMOND, DIR. OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,375.

-30- 334
#90348c0134 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, MIRABAUD & CO, BEN. OWNER OF BIOSEARCH MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: BMPI), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $0.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 620,000.

-30- 339
#90348c0135 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JAMES J WARD, VP OF BAUSCH & LOMB INC. (TICKER: BOL), SOLD 150 SHARES AT $63.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,467.

-30- 297
#90348c0136 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 08, 1990, HAROLD C SIMMONS, DIR. OF BAROID CORP. (TICKER: BRC), BOUGHT 585,200 SHARES FROM $1.13 TO $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,530,369.

-30- 344

#90348c0137 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, CENTAUR PARTNERS II, BEN. OWNER OF BANYAN CORP. (TICKER: BYC), BOUGHT 191,700 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,304,500.

-30- 349
#90348c0138 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, ESTRIN ABOD EQUITIES LP, BEN. OWNER OF BANYAN CORP. (TICKER: BYC), BOUGHT 191,700 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,882,250.

-30- 344
#90348c0140 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 22, 1990, PAUL A VETERI, OFFICER OF CARTER-WALLACE INC. (TICKER: CAR), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $53.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,328.

-30- 321
#90348c0141 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, THOMAS A BETTS, DIR. OF CENTURA BANKS INC. (TICKER: CBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $12.88 TO $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,949.

-30- 344
#90348c0142 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 04, 1990, RAY J BOLEMAN JR, VP OF CENTURA BANKS INC. (TICKER: CBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,100.

-30- 304
#90348c0143 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, J RICHARD FUTRELL JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CENTURA BANKS

INC. (TICKER: CBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,064.

-30- 340
#90348c0144 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, ROBERT R MAULDIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CENTURA BANKS INC. (TICKER: CBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,934.

-30- 335
#90348c0145 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, FRANK L PATTILLO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CENTURA BANKS INC. (TICKER: CBC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,951.

-30- 336
#90348c0146 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, L CLEMENT YANCEY, DIR. OF CENTURA BANKS INC. (TICKER: CBC), BOUGHT 589 SHARES AT $13.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,000.

-30- 312
#90348c0148 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, C MICHAEL CARTER, VP OF CONCURRENT COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CCUR), BOUGHT 65,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 98,084.

-30- 326
#90348c0149 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, BRENDAN J CASSIN, DIR. OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDN), SOLD 30,000 SHARES FROM $19.38 TO $19.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 220,346.

-30- 364
#90348c0150 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, JAMES E SOLOMON, DIR. OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDN), SOLD 13,000 SHARES FROM $19.50 TO $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,000.

-30- 364
#90348c0151 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, RON R PEERY, VP OF CENTENNIAL BANCORP (TICKER: CEBC), BOUGHT 325 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,081.

-30- 305
#90348c0152 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, RICHARD C WILLIAMS, PRES. OF CENTENNIAL BANCORP (TICKER: CEBC), BOUGHT 196 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,463.

-30- 322
#90348c0153 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JOHN B JOSEPH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE CENTENNIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: CEQ), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,433,206.

-30- 350
#90348c0154 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, JOHN B JOSEPH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE CENTENNIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: CEQ), BOUGHT 24,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,433,206.

-30- 369
#90348c0156 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JANE L STRATTON, OFFICER OF CHIRON CORP. (TICKER: CHIR), SOLD 406 SHARES AT $39.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 299
#90348c0157 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 26, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, PATRICK E GODDARD, VP OF CHART HOUSE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: CHT), SOLD 15,201 SHARES FROM $10.25 TO $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 148,965.

-30- 361
#90348c0158 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, THOMAS E NOEL, VP OF CHEMICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CHW), SOLD 24,300 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 329
#90348c0159 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 29, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, DONALD R MANDICH, DIR. OF COMERICA INC. (TICKER: CMCA), BOUGHT 530 SHARES FROM $35.75 TO $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,035.

-30- 333
#90348c0160 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, JOHN W JORDAN, DIR. OF CARMIKE CINEMAS INC. (TICKER: CMIK), BOUGHT 26,500 SHARES FROM $7.88 TO $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,800.

-30- 346
#90348c0161 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 11, 1990, ALAN C HENDERSON, VP OF COMPREHENSIVE CARE CORP. (TICKER: CMP), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 289
#90348c0162 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, PRICE T ROWE TRUST CO, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 1,320 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 592,369.

-30- 367
#90348c0164 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, CONSOLIDATED NG ALT THRIFT TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CNG), BOUGHT 89,912 SHARES AT $46.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,703,775.

-30- 373
#90348c0165 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, FINIS CONNER, CHAIRMAN OF CONNER PERIPHERALS INC. (TICKER: CNR), SOLD 100,000 SHARES FROM $21.75 TO $22.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,749,000.

-30- 345
#90348c0166 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, HERMAN BLUESTEIN, VP OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 412 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90348c0167 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, CLARENCE ENDY, VP OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 412 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 283
#90348c0168 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), BOUGHT 32,298 SHARES FROM $44.00 TO $45.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,823,391.

-30- 416
#90348c0169 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO SPSPE, BEN. OWNER OF CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: CPL), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,823,391.

-30- 363
#90348c0170 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, ROBERT W BURNETT, OFFICER OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 28,700 SHARES FROM $34.50 TO $39.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,342.

-30- 354
#90348c0172 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, VINCENT M GALANO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONVERGENT SOLUTIONS INC. (TICKER: CSOL), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 445,768.

-30- 374
#90348c0173 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, ARUM A AMIN, OFFICER OF CIRCUIT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSYI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 317
#90348c0174 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, ALLEGHANY CORP, BEN. OWNER OF CYCLOPS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CYC), BOUGHT 59,300 SHARES AT $10.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 589,809.

-30- 318
#90348c0175 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ELMER E NAUGLE, DIR. OF DAUPHIN DEPOSIT CORP. (TICKER: DAPN), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,074.

-30- 316
#90348c0176 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, W JAMES WHITTLE, OFFICER OF DATA SWITCH CORP. (TICKER: DASW), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,451.

-30- 313
#90348c0177 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, DAVID B LEDERER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DETECTION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: DETC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $5.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,362.

-30- 349
#90348c0178 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, MICHAEL L DARLAND, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL), SOLD 71,000 SHARES FROM $12.00 TO $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,657,039.

-30- 414
#90348c0180 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, HARVEY N GILLIS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 320
#90348c0181 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, HARVEY N GILLIS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL), SOLD 86,000 SHARES AT $12.46 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,309,328.

-30- 365
#90348c0182 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, CLINTON J HURD, OFFICER OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 313
#90348c0183 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, DONALD L STONER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL), SOLD 150,000 SHARES FROM $10.75 TO $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,469,070.

-30- 394
#90348c0184 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, LUCY A STONER, BEN. OWNER OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL), SOLD 150,000 SHARES FROM $10.75 TO $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,469,070.

-30- 374
#90348c0185 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, SAMUEL N STROUM, BEN. OWNER OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL), SOLD 86,000 SHARES AT $12.46 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,309,328.

-30- 344
#90348c0186 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, THEODORE S LEIPPRANDT, DIR. OF DETROIT EDISON CO. (TICKER: DTE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $27.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 257.

-30- 318
#90348c0188 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 03, 1990, RICHARD G HICKSON, DIR. OF EL PASO ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: ELPA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 312
#90348c0189 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, FRED S HUBBELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EQUITABLE OF IOWA COS. (TICKER: EQIC), BOUGHT 3,127 SHARES FROM $15.00 TO $15.77 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,428.

-30- 377
#90348c0190 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JON P NEWSOME, OFFICER AND DIR. OF EQUITABLE OF IOWA COS. (TICKER: EQIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,164.

-30- 345
#90348c0191 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, WILLIAM F MITCHELL, CHAIRMAN OF ENVIRONMENTAL TECTONICS CORP. (TICKER: ETC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 363,403.

-30- 344
#90348c0192 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, PETE L STEPHENS, DIR. OF ENVIRONMENTAL TECTONICS CORP. (TICKER: ETC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,700.

-30- 337
#90348c0193 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, FRANK LAHUE, VP OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), SOLD 40,000 SHARES FROM $12.88 TO $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 268
#90348c0194 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JUAN A RODRIGUEZ, CHAIRMAN OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 365,700.

-30- 318
#90348c0196 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, CECIL W CUPP JR, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCLR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 298,791.

-30- 321
#90348c0197 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, WILFRED J LARSON, DIR. OF FIRST EMPIRE STATE CORP. (TICKER: FES), BOUGHT 325 SHARES AT $50.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 325.

-30- 321
#90348c0198 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, WILLIAM E MERCER, DIR. OF FLORAFAX INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FIIF), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 327
#90348c0199 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JOHN D PETERSON, DIR. OF FORUM GROUP INC. (TICKER: FOUR), BOUGHT 209,369 SHARES AT $0.24 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO

110,628.

-30- 319
#90348c0200 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JOHN D PETERSON, DIR. OF FORUM GROUP INC. (TICKER: FOUR), SOLD 215,925 SHARES AT $0.24 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,628.

-30- 318
#90348c0201 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, ROBERT J BIRNBAUM, DIR. OF EMERGING GERMANY FUND INC. (TICKER: FRG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 331
#90348c0202 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JAMES E DOWD, DIR. OF EMERGING GERMANY FUND INC. (TICKER: FRG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 322
#90348c0204 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, SHELDON GOLDBERG, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FXBC), BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,750.

-30- 329
#90348c0205 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, JAMES P MACLEAN III, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FXBC), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,000.

-30- 338
#90348c0206 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, EQUITY HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 361
#90348c0207 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, EQUITY HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 350
#90348c0208 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, NORMAN M FIELD, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 338
#90348c0209 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, NORMAN M FIELD, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 338
#90348c0210 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, RONALD L GLASS, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 338
#90348c0212 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, ARTHUR A GREENBERG, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,183,725.

-30- 345
#90348c0213 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, ARTHUR A GREENBERG, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,183,725.

-30- 345
#90348c0214 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, WILLIAM K HALL, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 341
#90348c0215 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, WILLIAM K HALL, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 341
#90348c0216 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JODELL A KEPPLER, OFFICER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 351
#90348c0217 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, JODELL A KEPPLER, OFFICER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 351
#90348c0218 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, B ANN LURIE, BEN. OWNER OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 350
#90348c0220 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, PATRICIA MEGAHAN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 340
#90348c0221 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, PATRICIA MEGAHAN, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 340
#90348c0222 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JERRY J PEZZELLA JR, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 349
#90348c0223 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, JERRY J PEZZELLA JR, DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 349
#90348c0224 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, SHELI Z ROSENBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,183,725.

-30- 373
#90348c0225 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, SHELI Z ROSENBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,183,725.

-30- 373
#90348c0226 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, GERALD A SPECTOR, VP OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,182,725.

-30- 342
#90348c0228 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, SAMUEL ZELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,186,725.

-30- 360
#90348c0229 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, SAMUEL ZELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GREAT AMERICAN MGMT & INV INC. (TICKER: GAMI), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $25.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,186,725.

-30- 360
#90348c0230 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, ERIC R ZARNIKOW, OFFICER OF GAYLORD CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: GCR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 324
#90348c0231 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 29, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, WILLIAM B SNYDER, CHAIRMAN OF GEICO CORP. (TICKER: GEC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES FROM $163.13 TO $163.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,354.

-30- 339
#90348c0232 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, ROBERT L HARTSOCK, VP OF GEHL CO. (TICKER: GEHL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES FROM $7.00 TO $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 325
#90348c0233 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, BENNO C SCHMIDT, DIR. OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI), SOLD 41,426 SHARES FROM $35.00 TO $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 148,555.

-30- 363
#90348c0234 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, GENERAL MOTORS SVGS TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 1,292,453 SHARES AT $36.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 78,104,568.

-30- 364
#90348c0236 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, HUGHES HOWARD MED INSTITUTE, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,035,000.

-30- 348
#90348c0237 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, WILLIAM L BENNETT, DIR. OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 1,100,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,681,400.

-30- 364
#90348c0238 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, WILLIAM L BENNETT, DIR. OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 343,700 SHARES FROM $6.25 TO $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,681,400.

-30- 375
#90348c0239 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 07, 1990, R J SHOPF, DIR. OF GENEVA STEEL (TICKER: GNV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $9.50 TO $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 328
#90348c0240 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 08, 1990, RONALD B GOETTINGER, DIR. OF GREENWICH PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: GRPI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES FROM $5.00 TO $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 373
#90348c0241 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, BERNARD MARCUS, CHAIRMAN OF HOME DEPOT INC. (TICKER: HD), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $34.98 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,678,401.

-30- 316
#90348c0242 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, ARTHUR J HAYES, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANKCORP INC. (MI) (TICKER: HEBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 327
#90348c0244 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, O Q QUICK, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 260
#90348c0245 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 02, 1990, JAMES H STONE, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 145,000.

-30- 322
#90348c0246 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JAMES H STONE, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 960 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,317.

-30- 296
#90348c0247 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, ROBERT E ZETZMANN, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 174,260.

-30- 308
#90348c0248 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, DEAN W ABRAHAM, VP OF HANCOCK FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HKF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $36.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

13,188.

-30- 313
#90348c0249 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, PETER A DAVIS, VP OF INTERNATIONAL AMERICAN HOMES INC. (TICKER: HOME), SOLD 26,500 SHARES AT $0.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 329
#90348c0250 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, DAVID R BERGERSON, VP OF HONEYWELL INC. (TICKER: HON), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $89.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,800.

-30- 302
#90348c0252 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JOHN A FRANCO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF I.C.H. CORP. (TICKER: ICH), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 510,000.

-30- 324
#90348c0253 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, GERARD DEISS, BEN. OWNER OF IEH CORP. (TICKER: IEHC), BOUGHT 112,000 SHARES AT $3.20 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 547,000.

-30- 304
#90348c0254 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 05, 1990 TO OCT 20, 1990, FRANK R JONES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF IMRE CORP. (TICKER: IMRE), BOUGHT 25,135 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 829,655.

-30- 339
#90348c0255 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 05, 1990 TO OCT 20, 1990, PAUL W SELF, PRES. OF IMRE CORP. (TICKER: IMRE), BOUGHT 25,135 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 282,798.

-30- 314
#90348c0256 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 05, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, LOIS H YOSHIDA, VP OF IMRE CORP. (TICKER: IMRE), BOUGHT 51,029 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 361,170.

-30- 314
#90348c0257 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, FRANK K BRADFORD JR, SHAREHOLDER OF INDEX TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: INDX), SOLD 15,360 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90348c0258 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, G CARL EVERETT JR, VP OF INTEL CORP. (TICKER: INTC), SOLD 2,898 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 226.

-30- 293
#90348c0260 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, FRANK E BAXTER, PRES. OF JEFFERIES GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEFG), BOUGHT 19,400 SHARES FROM $9.75 TO $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 272,600.

-30- 351
#90348c0261 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, CLARENCE J KJORLIEN, DIR. OF JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JII), BOUGHT 3,036 SHARES FROM $6.63 TO $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 348
#90348c0262 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, AUSTIN LIST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOHNSTON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JII), BOUGHT 3,036 SHARES FROM $6.63 TO $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,250.

-30- 357
#90348c0263 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, CHRIS A EYRE, DIR. OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), SOLD 3,023 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 288
#90348c0264 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, DONALD P ADDINGTON, OFFICER OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90348c0265 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, DONALD E ELLIS JR, OFFICER OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90348c0266 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, JAMES T MARTIN, BEN. OWNER OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW), SOLD 60,041 SHARES FROM $16.31 TO $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000,000.

-30- 359
#90348c0268 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, MICHAEL A RYAN, OFFICER OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90348c0269 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, FRANCIS A TARKENTON, CHAIRMAN OF KNOWLEDGEWARE INC. (TICKER: KNOW), SOLD 116,902 SHARES AT $16.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,278,115.

-30- 336
#90348c0270 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, BEN R MORRIS, DIR. OF KNIGHT-RIDDER INC. (TICKER: KRI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES FROM $38.59 TO $38.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 152,746.

-30- 344
#90348c0271 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, CHARLES H TURNER, VP OF LOAN AMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LAFC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 328
#90348c0272 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, GENERAL ATLANTIC GRP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF LEGENT CORP. (TICKER: LGNT), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,749,030.

-30- 322
#90348c0273 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 01, 1989, GEORGE A POURAKIS, VP OF LONG ISLAND CITY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LICF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 335
#90348c0274 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, JEROME A CHAZEN, CHAIRMAN OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 57,500 SHARES FROM $26.00 TO $26.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,322,763.

-30- 338
#90348c0276 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, PETER L FLAHERTY JR, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 272,628.

-30- 336
#90348c0277 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JOHN L FORD, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 309,904.

-30- 337
#90348c0278 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, RONALD P STOLZ, OFFICER OF MARSH SUPERMARKETS INC. (TICKER: MARS), SOLD 1,998 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,386.

-30- 327
#90348c0279 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 25, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, WAYNE G ENGLISH, DIR. OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCIC), SOLD 7,900 SHARES FROM $21.88 TO $30.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 353
#90348c0280 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, SPENCER I BROWNE, PRES. OF M.D.C. HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: MDC), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 174,000.

-30- 324
#90348c0281 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JOHN J HEANEY, VP OF M.D.C. HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: MDC), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 310
#90348c0282 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, RICHARD H THIES, OFFICER OF MADISON GAS & ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: MDSN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,129.

-30- 334
#90348c0284 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, IMASCO LTD, BEN. OWNER OF MEDIAGENIC (TICKER: MGNC), SOLD 1,039,079 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90348c0285 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, BRADFORD HERBERT, OFFICER OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,735.

-30- 327
#90348c0286 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, CHESTER J SILVESTRI, DIV. OFFICER OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,514.

-30- 344
#90348c0287 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 22, 1990 TO OCT 30, 1990, CHRISTOPHER J CONWAY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MENTOR CORP. (MN) (TICKER: MNTR), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES FROM $10.50 TO $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 473,500.

-30- 380
#90348c0288 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 564 SHARES AT $4.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 903,057.

-30- 321
#90348c0289 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, CROUCH RCE PARTNERSHIP, BEN. OWNER OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES FROM $3.81 TO $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 903,057.

-30- 350
#90348c0290 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ROGER M CROUCH, CHAIRMAN OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 564 SHARES AT $4.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,110,302.

-30- 300
#90348c0292 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 564 SHARES AT $4.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,468,425.

-30- 291
#90348c0293 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, J MICHAEL HEAD, PRES. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES FROM $3.81 TO $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,468,425.

-30- 334
#90348c0294 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, BRIDGE CAPITAL INVESTORS II, BEN. OWNER OF FLOWMOLE CORP. (TICKER: MOLE), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 960,000.

-30- 334
#90348c0295 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, JON A SHIRLEY, DIR. OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 100,000 SHARES FROM $65.13 TO $65.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 801,251.

-30- 340
#90348c0296 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, JON A SHIRLEY, DIR. OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 17,000 SHARES FROM $65.38 TO $69.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,600.

-30- 338
#90348c0297 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, RONALD T HOFMEISTER, VP OF MEDICINE SHOPPE INTL INC. (TICKER: MSII), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,700.

-30- 328
#90348c0298 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, ROBERT F MURPHY, OFFICER OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 17,400 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED

PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,080.

-30- 374
#90348c0300 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 13, 1990, THOMAS B WALKER JR, DIR. OF NCH CORP. (TICKER: NCH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $48.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 297
#90348c0301 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, MORTON WOLKOWITZ, DIR. OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: NEG), BOUGHT 40,600 SHARES FROM $0.13 TO $0.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 260,279.

-30- 374
#90348c0302 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, LEONARD J SHUSTEK, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,052,500.

-30- 375
#90348c0303 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, NITA P HECKENDORN, VP OF NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: NME), SOLD 6,243 SHARES FROM $36.75 TO $36.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,524.

-30- 365
#90348c0304 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, CLIFFORD R BORLAND, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF NS GROUP INC. (TICKER: NSS), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES FROM $7.25 TO $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,862,100.

-30- 387

#90348c0305 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 29, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, THOMAS L GOLATZKI, VP OF NS GROUP INC. (TICKER: NSS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES FROM $6.88 TO $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,700.

-30- 329
#90348c0306 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JOHN G TURNER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWN), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,279.

-30- 333
#90348c0308 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JAMES E BUCKNER, VP OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC. (TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 314
#90348c0309 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, OLIN CORP CONTRIBUTING EOP, BEN. OWNER OF OLIN CORP. (TICKER: OLN), BOUGHT 31,014 SHARES FROM $28.62 TO $29.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,731,310.

-30- 353
#90348c0310 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 23, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, JOHN E MCCONNAUGHY JR, DIR. OF PANTEPEC INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PAN), BOUGHT 1,600 SHARES AT $0.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,600.

-30- 351
#90348c0311 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, ILIA LEKACH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF

PARLUX FRAGRANCES INC. (TICKER: PARL), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES FROM $3.38 TO $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 571,722.

-30- 380
#90348c0312 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, PACIFIC INVESTMENT GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF PARLUX FRAGRANCES INC. (TICKER: PARL), BOUGHT 4,200 SHARES FROM $3.38 TO $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 421,722.

-30- 372
#90348c0313 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, DAVID D LUNG, PRES. OF PATRICK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PATK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,539.

-30- 306
#90348c0314 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, JOSEPH K PAGANO, BEN. OWNER OF PRIME CELLULAR INC. (TICKER: PCEL), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 440,000.

-30- 331
#90348c0316 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, A PICKENS BUTLER, PRES. OF PIEDMONT FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: PFSB), SOLD 2,315 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,257.

-30- 322
#90348c0317 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, NICHOLAS CAROSI III, DIR. OF PIEDMONT FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: PFSB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,260.

-30- 323
#90348c0318 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, BENJAMIN L BETHELL, VP OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 10,090 SHARES AT $81.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,762.

-30- 315
#90348c0319 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, HAL C HYLTON, OFFICER OF PACIFICARE HEALTH SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PHSY), SOLD 12,800 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90348c0320 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, ROBIN SCHWARTZ, VP OF PIONEER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PION), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES FROM $5.25 TO $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 349
#90348c0321 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, EDWARD P SMOOT, VP OF PARK ELECTROCHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: PKE), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $11.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,875.

-30- 321
#90348c0322 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, ROBIN L AUSTIN, OFFICER OF PLM INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PLM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $4.50 TO $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 328
#90348c0324 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, BCE INC, BEN. OWNER OF QUEBECOR INC. (TICKER: PQB), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,094,300.

-30- 304
#90348c0325 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, L MARK NEWMAN, DIR. OF PRICE/STERN/SLOAN INC. (TICKER: PSSP), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,000.

-30- 323
#90348c0326 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, GEORGE T HORNYAK JR, PRES. OF PULSE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PULS), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,060.

-30- 320
#90348c0327 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, GEORGE T HORNYAK JR, PRES. OF PULSE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PULS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,040.

-30- 323
#90348c0328 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, BENJAMIN S KONOPACKI, CHAIRMAN OF PULSE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PULS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,500.

-30- 330
#90348c0329 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, BENJAMIN S KONOPACKI, CHAIRMAN OF PULSE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PULS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 331
#90348c0330 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, WAYNE A KRONOWSKI, DIR. OF PULSE BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PULS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250.

-30- 310
#90348c0332 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, DONALD H WEST, SHAREHOLDER OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), SOLD 2,270 SHARES FROM $9.25 TO $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,470.

-30- 351
#90348c0333 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, WILLIAM COMPONOVO, OFFICER OF QVC NETWORK INC. (TICKER: QVCN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 220.

-30- 311
#90348c0334 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, MITCHELL A BURNS, CHAIRMAN OF RYDER SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: R), SOLD 75,024 SHARES FROM $13.25 TO $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,373.

-30- 330
#90348c0335 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, DAVID R HOLMES, CHAIRMAN OF REYNOLDS & REYNOLDS CO. (TICKER: REY), BOUGHT 8,400 SHARES FROM $15.38 TO $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,707.

-30- 361
#90348c0336 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, SOUTH CAROLINA NATL CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SCNC), BOUGHT 38,666 SHARES FROM $16.63 TO $16.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,655,358.

-30- 378
#90348c0337 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 23, 1990, DOCTOR R CRANTS, DIR. OF SAHARA RESORTS (TICKER: SHRE), SOLD 6,000 SHARES FROM $18.00 TO $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,500.

-30- 340
#90348c0338 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, PAUL W LOWDEN, CHAIRMAN OF SAHARA RESORTS (TICKER: SHRE), BOUGHT 300 SHARES FROM $18.88 TO $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,505,700.

-30- 346
#90348c0340 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, DAVID S JOSEPH, CHAIRMAN OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 20,000 SHARES FROM $22.38 TO $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 305,059.

-30- 382
#90348c0341 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, DAVID S JOSEPH, CHAIRMAN OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 150 SHARES AT $21.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,758.

-30- 347
#90348c0342 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 10, 1990, JOEL B ALVORD, CHAIRMAN OF SHAWMUT NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SNC), BOUGHT 18,629 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 140,164.

-30- 326
#90348c0343 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JOEL B ALVORD, CHAIRMAN OF SHAWMUT NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: SNC), SOLD 18,629 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,164.

-30- 325
#90348c0344 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, PATRICK J AGNEW, PRES. OF ST. PAUL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SPBC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,080.

-30- 321
#90348c0345 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, KENNETH JAMES, DIR. OF ST. PAUL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SPBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,642.

-30- 316
#90348c0346 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, THOMAS J RINELLA, VP OF ST. PAUL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SPBC), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,902.

-30- 315
#90348c0348 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, SANDRA C DULANY, VP OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), SOLD 5,175 SHARES AT $7.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 915.

-30- 324
#90348c0349 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ROBERT L BUNTING JR, PRES. OF STEEL OF WEST VIRGINIA INC. (TICKER: SWVA), SOLD 316,613 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 521,900.

-30- 343
#90348c0350 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, PETER NORTON, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SYMANTEC CORP. (TICKER: SYMC), SOLD 292,000 SHARES FROM $19.75 TO $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,565,234.

-30- 367
#90348c0351 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, S THOMAS EMERSON, CHAIRMAN OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 223,000.

-30- 320
#90348c0352 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, ROBERT S WALLIN, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 16,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,760.

-30- 304
#90348c0353 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ROBERT W FORSYTH, PRES. OF SYNERCOM TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: SYNR), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 332
#90348c0354 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, A W RITER JR, DIR. OF TCA CABLE TV INC. (TICKER: TCAT), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,430.

-30- 310
#90348c0356 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, THOMAS I UNTERBERG, DIR. OF TANDEM COMPUTERS INC. (TICKER: TDM), SOLD 24,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 330
#90348c0357 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF TECOGEN INC. (TICKER: TGN), BOUGHT 40,000 SHARES FROM $8.00 TO $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,295,911.

-30- 344
#90348c0358 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, CHRISTOPHER J KENNAN, DIR. OF TELEMUNDO GROUP INC (TICKER: TLMD), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 350.

-30- 324
#90348c0359 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO PROCESS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TPI), BOUGHT 24,200 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,792,364.

-30- 347
#90348c0360 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, KIRBY C ADAMS, VP OF TREMONT CORP. (DE) (TICKER: TRE), BOUGHT 50,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,451.

-30- 305
#90348c0361 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, MICHAEL A SNETZER, DIR. OF TREMONT CORP. (DE) (TICKER: TRE), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

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#90348c0362 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, STEVEN L WATSON, OFFICER OF TREMONT CORP. (DE) (TICKER: TRE), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

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#90348c0364 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, WILLIAM SCOTT HEDRICK, DIR. OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA), SOLD 85,300 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600,752.

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#90348c0365 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, WILLIAM J ELSNER, DIR. OF UNITED ARTISTS ENTERTAINMENT CO. (TICKER: UAEC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,545.

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#90348c0366 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, CONDOR PARTNERS LP, SHAREHOLDER OF UAL CORP. (TICKER: UAL), SOLD 186,400 SHARES FROM $97.00 TO $100.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90348c0367 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, PATRICK MCCARTHY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 99,335 SHARES FROM $15.13 TO $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 338
#90348c0368 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, BARBARA J SCHEFFLER, OFFICER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 7,500 SHARES FROM $15.13 TO $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

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#90348c0369 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 02, 1990, CRAIG S MILLER, PRES. OF UNO RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: UNO), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 165,512.

-30- 338
#90348c0370 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, AARON D SPENCER, CHAIRMAN OF UNO RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: UNO), SOLD 57,875 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 811,200.

-30- 346
#90348c0372 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, WILLIAM F ANDREWS, PRES. OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 310
#90348c0373 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, MICHAEL KOVENS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNIVERSAL SECURITY INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: USEC), BOUGHT 21,000 SHARES FROM $1.22 TO $1.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 513,884.

-30- 402
#90348c0374 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, LEON C HIRSCH, CHAIRMAN OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 39,000 SHARES FROM $55.40 TO $66.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,655,602.

-30- 355
#90348c0375 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, TURI JOSEFSEN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 25,500 SHARES FROM $55.40 TO $66.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 346,394.

-30- 368
#90348c0376 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, DONALD S KAPLAN, OFFICER OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS), SOLD 7,544 SHARES FROM $53.90 TO $55.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,800.

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#90348c0377 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, HOWARD F ROYCROFT, DIR. OF UNITED TELEVISION INC. (TICKER: UTVI), SOLD 50,000 SHARES AT $28.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 325
#90348c0378 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JAMES G BAKER JR, VP OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,585.

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#90348c0380 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, JULIAN A OETTINGER, VP OF WALGREEN CO. (TICKER: WAG), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $49.62 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,312.

-30- 301
#90348c0381 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JAMES A WALKER JR, VP OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT), SOLD 14,208 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,378.

-30- 317
#90348c0382 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, A SCOTT ANDREWS, VP OF WORLDCORP. (TICKER: WOA), SOLD 5,000 SHARES FROM $3.63 TO $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,404.

-30- 305
#90348c0383 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, GEORGE R MCGURN, VP OF WESTERN MICRO TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: WSTM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

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#90348c0384 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, PHILIP T GIANOS, DIR. OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX), SOLD 300,000 SHARES FROM $12.38 TO $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 812,099.

-30- 337
#90348c0385 12/14/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, MICHAEL W YACENDA, OFFICER OF EXECUTONE INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: XTON), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING

INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 359
#90348d2220 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 14) - Japan's wholesale prices in November rose 2.0 per cent from a year earlier and 0.4 per cent from October, the Bank of Japan said Friday.

The central bank said that the month-on-month jump was the highest since April when it was 0.6 per cent.

Domestic wholesale prices increased 2.2 per cent from the same month last year and 0.3 per cent from October as higher crude oil prices boosted prices of chemicals such as ethylene, petroleum and coal products.

Import wholesale prices were up 10.5 per cent from a year earlier and 1.0 per cent from the previous month, while export prices dropped 4.8 per cent from a year ago and 0.3 per cent from October, the bank said.

-30- 862
#90348d2690 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 14) - French consumer prices fell by 0.2 per cent in November taking the increase so far this year to 3.4 per cent, provisional official figures showed on Friday.

Prices had risen by 0.5 per cent in October and in September.

During the last 12 months prices in France have risen by 3.6 per cent, compared with a 12-monthly figure in October of 3.9 per cent.

Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy said on Thursday that by the end of 1990 prices might have risen by the same amount as in 1989 of 3.6 per cent.

Falling oil prices cut prices by 0.26 of a percentage point in November, and energy accounted for 5.14 per cent of the index, the ministry said.

-30- 853
#90348d2720 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 14) - New Zealand is close to finalizing the sale of up to 90,000 tons of butter worth more than 100 million U.S. dollars to the Soviet Union, the Financial Times reported here Friday.

If completed, the sale would be New Zealand's biggest since 1970 and its largest-ever outside of Britain, the report stated.

Negotiations for the butter sale, coming at a time when the Soviet Union faces

some food shortages and serious supply distribution problems, also follows Moscow's agreement to pay about 75 million dollars in outstanding debts for dairy products already delivered, the FT said.

The talks also involved reaching agreement on price and quantity with the European Community which is also anxious to sell its stockpiled butter to the Soviet Union.

The report said the New Zealand Dairy Board was also involved in negotiating the sale of 32,400 tons of butter to Iran, which at current prices would be worth around 40,000 dollars.

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#90348d2940 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (DEC. 14) - The surplus on the balance of payments for unified Germany in October was 350 per cent higher than in September, the central Bundesbank said on Friday.

The October surplus was 1.835 billion Deutschemarks (about 1.2 billion dollars), up from 511 million marks in September.

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#90348d2970 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 14) - Three railway companies are to buy the Shinkansen or high-speed bullet train lines and related facilities they currently lease from a government-affiliated body, for a total cost of 9.1 trillion yen (68.9 billion dollars), industry sources reported Friday.

The three lines are to be sold to Eastern Japan Railway Co., Central Japan Railway Co. and West Japan Railway Co., formed after Japan National Railways (JNR) was privatized and split into 11 companies in 1987.

After the privatization, bullet train lines, including the land, were held by the government-affiliated Shinkansen Railway Holding organization and leased to the three companies under a 30-year contract.

The lines to be sold in October next year are the Tokaido-Sanyo line, connecting Tokyo with Fukuoka, Kyushu, by way of Nagoya, Osaka and Hiroshima,

the Tokoku line connecting Tokyo with Morioka, northern Japan by way of Sendai,

and the Joetsu line connecting Tokyo with Niigata, a Japan Sea coastal city, north of Tokyo.

The sources said that 8.1 trillion yen (61.34 billion dollars) will be used to pay off long-term debts of the JNR, while the remaining one trillion yen (7.56

billion dollars) will be used to consrutct new bullet train lines.

The companies will spread out the purchase payments over a period of 60 years with an annual interest rate of around 6.5 per cent, the sources said.

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#90348d3090 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
Zurich (DEC. 14) - Swissair, which lost 99 million francs (78.5 million dollars) in the first half of 1990, has not as hoped been able to make up those losses in the second half, the airline's president Otto Loepfe said.

Loepfe told an employees' meeting that the normally strong autumn operations, which Swissair had been counting on to help even out the first-half losses, had been hurt by the Gulf crisis, the surge in fuel costs and the Swiss franc's strong value.

He said that the traditionally important side sources of income such as catering and airplane maintenance had not achieved the goals projected in the company's budget planning.

Loepfe said that Swissair would only be able to show a bookkeeping profit for the year by including the gains made in the sales of some of its Dc-10 passenger planes.

He said the company hoped to return to operational profitability in 1991, but the prospects were uncertain. One of the uncertainties included new wage contract negotiations with 15,000 Swissair employees in the new year.

-30- 1219
#90348d3180 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 14) - French health officials are to return or destroy seven tons of frozen Japanese scallops (coquilles Saint-Jacques) bound for the French Christmas and New Year festive market which have been found to be contaminated with toxins.

The French agriculture ministry also said on Friday that it was banning the importation of scallops from Japan.

It said that health tests caried out on a consigment held since May 18 had been positive.

It was learnt on November 29 that 700 tons of Japanese scallops were being held in bond in the northern French port of Le Havre while the results of tests were awaited.

At the beginning of the year analysis of stocks held by customs had revealed an abnormally high presence of toxins, although at a level which was below the European level of toxicity. Further samples were taken in October.

Scallops are one of the traditional dishes in France at Christmas and particularly at New Year, and are eaten in vast quantities.

The health authorities stressed that scallops from other sources were fit to eat and that there should be no shortage for the dinner table.

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#90348d3270 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 14) - Japan's Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto said Friday the Group of Seven (G-7) industrialized countries should discuss possible aid to the Soviet Union, press reports said.

"Summit countries should hold talks (on the aid)" after four international organizations including the International Monetary Fund release reports on the Soviet economy later this month, he was quoted as saying by Jiji Press.

But Mr. Hashimoto reportedly did not specify when and at what levels the meeting would be held.

Soviet diplomatic sources in Tokyo said Thursday that the Soviet Union needed loans worth 11 billion dollars from the west to reconstruct its economy.

Mr. Hashimoto said the Soviets had informally asked the Japanese government to shoulder part of the loans.

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#90348d4230 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (DEC. 14) - Taiwan's parliament on Friday overcame a filibuster mounted by the island's main opposition force to press for an amnesty for Huang Hwa, the party's self-proclaimed presidential candidate who has advocated formal independence from China.

The lawmaking body, dominated by the ruling Kuomintang (KMT), railroaded proposed regulation allowing indirect investment in and technological cooperation with mainland China, voting 75-16, despite outcries from legislators of the Democratic Progressive Party (DPP).

The KMT decision to bulldoze through the landmark regulation will only increase tension with the DPP, which filibustered parliamentary meetings for a third consecutive session Friday to protest the conviction of Mr. Huang for sedition, analysts said.

DPP lawmakers had threatened to continue filibusters through January unless Mr. Huang was granted an amnesty by President Lee Teng-hui or was included in an upcoming commutation to mark the 80th founding anniversary of the republic.

But the KMT rejected the opposition demand lest it give the "false impression that the ruling party was encouraging Taiwan's independence, which would invite a communist Chinese invasion," said Yao Ying-chi, the KMT parliamentary whip.

"The price we have to pay is too high," Mr. Yao said of granting Mr. Huang amnesty.

Last Saturday, the Taiwan High Court sentenced Mr. Huang to 10 years in prison for advocating a Taiwan independent of China.

Mr. Huang, 51, declared himself the DPP's presidential candidate in March although it was technically impossible for him to run for public office or for the opposition party to field a standard-bearer.

On Thursday, opposition MPs demanded that Economic Minister Vincent Siew be charged with sedition for "extending financial aid" to the communists through the regulation allowing indirect investment on and technological cooperation with the Chinese mainland.

Taipei and Beijing have been technically at war since 1949, when the KMT, or Nationalists, fled here and set up a government-in-exile after losing a civil war to the communists on the Chinese mainland.

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#90348d4280 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 14) - The Belgian central bank on Friday increased the rate on short-term Treasury certificates from 9.70 per cent to 9.80 per cent.

The change, apllicable to certificates with a life of from one to three months was the sixth increase since November 16 as part of a policy introduced earlier this year to link the Belgian franc to the Deutsche mark.

The bank uses the certificates to control the money market, and at the beginning of this week it introduced a common rate for all such short-term instruments so that the yield curve is now flat at 9.80 per cent.

-30- 756

#90348d4310 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (DEC. 14) - French bank Societe Generale said Friday it has struck a deal with two Chinese institutions to open a joint-venture merchant bank in Shanghai in the new year.

Associated Finance Shanghai Ltd., with a registered capital of 20 million dollars, will be geared to financing industrial projects in Shanghai and elsewhere in China, the bank said in a statement.

Societe Generale said it was the first joint-venture bank ever to be set up with Western capital in communist China outside of the country's five special economic zones, where rules are more liberal.

Observers said the founding of the bank dovetails with ambitious plans, backed by Beijing, to develop Shanghai's neglected Pudong district into a regional industrial and financial center.

The agreement to launch the bank was signed Thursday in Shanghai.

Societe Generale is to provide 50 per cent of the bank's capital, with the remainder coming in equal portions from the Chinese partners, the People's Construction Bank and the Shanghai Trust and Investment Corp.

The French side will also name the bank's first director general.

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#90348d4400 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 14) - Tokai Bank Ltd., the eighth-largest commercial bank in Japan, is looking for a merger partner to expand its retail base.

Tokai Bank, based in Nagoya, wants to join forces with another bank or acquire a smaller one with branches in Tokyo, bank president Ryuichi Kato said in an interview in Friday's Asian Wall Street Journal.

The move was spurred by the recent merger of Tokyo's two strongest banks, Kyowa Bank and Saitama Bank, the Journal said.

Tokai had been considering merging with or purchasing one of the banks before their merger was announced, according to Mr. Kato.

In April, Mitsui Bank and Taiyo-Kobe Bank merged to form the world's second-largest bank, behind Dai-Ichi Kangyo, also of Japan.

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#90348d4490 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 14) - France had a current account deficit of 4.2 billion francs

(840 million dollars) in October on the basis of provisional and seasonally adjusted data, as against a shortfall of 7.7 billion francs in September, the Economics Ministry said here on Friday.

In terms of unadjusted data, the current account deficit was 3.4 billion francs in October, against one of 7.7 billion in September.

The deficit had been 2.3 billion francs in August.

For the year's first 10 months, the current account deficit already amounts to 33 billion francs, seasonally corrected, against only 14.5 billion for the same period last year. The worsening is equally marked in terms of uncorrected data: 33.4 billion francs against 14.9 billion.

In gross figures, the merchandise trade balance on a balance-of-payments basis was 7.1 billion francs in the red in October, according to provisional estimates, while the surplus on services and other goods and services was 6.5 billion francs. Unilateral transfers showed a deficit of 2.8 billion francs.

The Economics Ministry commented that the deterioration of the current account balance in October "is due primarily (as in earlier months) to a worsening of the trade balance on a balance-of-payments basis and to a decline in the services surplus (15.5 billion francs)".

It said the latter decline was due essentially "to the appearance of a deficit on income from capital", a trend resulting from "an increase in the holding of franc-denominated assets by non-residents".

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#90348d4560 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KIEV, THE UKRAINE (DEC. 14) - The Ukraine refused "humiliating" offers of international food aid, saying it had enough, but asked instead for medicine during a meeting on Thursday with a senior French official.

Bernard Kouchner, France's secretary of state of humanitarian action, said the Ukrainian minister of health had qualified official Soviet requests for emergency food aid as "humiliating, but said there was an urgent need for medicine."

Mr. Kouchner, on a week-long visit to the Soviet Union, was in Kiev, the Ukrainian capital, to inaugurate a French medical centre for children of the Chernobyl region who were re-housed in Kiev after the nuclear plant melted in April 1986, causing the world's worst nuclear disaster.

The food situation in Kiev is much better than in Russian cities. Shops in the city centre sell at subsidised prices supplies of meat, fish, eggs, butter, cheese and sausage, all products unavailable in Moscow stores for several

weeks.

Kiev citizens said the situation improved after the introduction in early November of "coupons" giving only Ukrainians the right to buy in the republic's shops.

These "coupons" worth a rouble or more are distributed to workers with their wages, to retired people with their pension, and to students with their monthly grant. They are not ration tickets because they can be spent at will, but more like "certificates of origin" which must be presented with bank notes for any purchase of food or manufactured goods.

Coupons only cover an average of 70 per cent of a worker's income, the rest goes to pay services such as rent, telephone, the post, etc.

Almost all shops in Kiev demand coupons for purchases of meat, butter, clothes household products and even stationery.

"Of course, this system should not exist, but it's the only way to avoid our shops being bought clean out by shoppers from neighbouring republics," one woman waiting in line said. She then went on to explain how strangers could get coupons on the black market by selling their clothes.

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#90348d4630 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRID (DEC. 14) - Rambo showed his soft side this week, the one-man army's furry namesake saving 22-month-old Sandra Rodriguez from freezing, the Spanish news agency Efe reported Friday.

Efe said the little girl, from a village in Galicia in northwestern Spain, wandered off into a wooded area in the mountains near Lugo. Her mongrel companion, Rambo, tagged along.

The child's father, neighbours and the Guardia Civil searched the neighbourhood in vain Wednesday and concluded that Sandra had been abducted.

On Thursday morning, a policeman searching a nearby woods on the other side of a river came upon Rambo, who led him to Sandra. The dog's body heat had apparently kept her from freezing during the nighttime cold.

Sandra was hospitalised with frostbite on her feet and hypothermia.

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#90348d4750 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 14) - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev said Friday that he would donate his Nobel peace prize money to medical institutions, the official

Tass news agency reported.

''I think the money should be spent on health-promoting activies for children, first of all in ecological disaster zones,'' Gorbachev said after receiving the Nobel medal and accompanying diploma at a ceremony in the Kremlin.

The award was handed to him by First Deputy Foreign Minister Anatoly Kovalev, who represented Gorbachev at the official presentation ceremony in Oslo on December 10.

Gorbachev was awarded the Nobel prize for his leading role in the international process of disarmament and democratisation. The award is worth 4 million kroner (about 748,000 dollars).

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#90348d4780 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (DEC. 14) - Chang Chun, who dictated Taiwan's foreign policy for about three decades, died of heart and kidney failure here Friday. He was 101.

Mr. Chang, the doyen of elders of the ruling Kuomintang (KMT), made the island's foreign policy decisions for three decades when he served as secretary general to the late president Chiang Kai-shek from 1954 to 1972.

He continued to have a say in foreign policy when his protege, Shen Chang-huan served as foreign minister from 1972 to 1979.

Mr. Chang was against severing diplomatic relations with Japan in 1972 even though ties were at a low ebb. But the late president Chiang Ching-kuo stepped out of the shadow of his father, Chiang Kai-shek, when he decided to break off ties with Tokyo, which eventually recognized the communist government in Beijing.

Mr. Chang served as China's premier from 1947 to 1948 and represented the KMT in negotiations with rebel communists, led by the late Chinese premier Zhou Enlai, during the civil war in mainland China.

Mr. Chang and Chiang Kai-shek were classmates at the Tokyo Military Academy.

Last June, Mr. Chang arranged the first public appearance of General Chang Hsueh-liang (no relation) in 54 years at the general's 90th birthday celebration.

Gen. Chang was placed under house arrest for about five decades for kidnapping Chiang Kai-shek in Xian in central mainland China on December 12, 1936, to force the late president to declare a ceasefire with the communists and form an alliance to fight the invading Japanese.

According to historians, the abduction served as the catalyst for the communist Chinese forces winning the civil war on the mainland and driving Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist, or KMT, army to Taiwan in 1949.

The ceasefire allowed the communist forces, on the verge of being wiped out then, to recoup their strength while the Nationalists fought off the Japanese.

Mr. Chang is survived by two sons and one daughter. One of his sons, Chang Chi-cheng, was former governor of Taiwan's Central Bank.

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#90348d4960 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MAPUTO (DEC. 14) - Parliament in civil war-wracked Mozambique on Friday began a sitting in which it will enact legislation regulating the workings and registration of political parties in a new, multi-party system.

Opening the session, President Joaquim Chissano said all political parties would be expected to "respect national unity" and to "contribute to peace and stability".

The main concern of the ruling Mozambique Liberation Front (FRELIMO) is that parties should be genuinely national, with no regionalist, ethnic, religious or secessionist base.

The FRELIMO leadership has suggested that to register, each new party should present a list of 100 supporters from each of the country's 11 provinces.

The draft bill complements the new constitution which came into force on November 30, finally burying Marxist-Leninist policy and wrenching a sizeable chunk of carpet from under the feet of Mozambique National Resistance (RENAMO) rebels with its commitment to political pluralism.

The government on December 1 reached agreement with RENAMO on the limitation of Zimbabwean troops backing Maputo to designated strategic rail corridors, in what amounted to a partial ceasefire.

The new parliamentary session will also debate the national plan and budget for 1991. Finance Minister Abdul Magid Osman has warned of new austerity measures and a need to keep public spending to 1990 levels.

War devastation apart, the Mozambican economy has been hard hit by sharp rises in fuel prices resulting from the Gulf crisis.

"The rise in the oil price adds to the already enormous difficulties we have been facing in energy, industry, agricultural and transport," Mr. Chissano told parliament on Friday.

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#90348d5460 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (DEC. 14) - German government officials signed an agreement granting China a low-interest loan of 220 million Deutschmarks (149 million dollars) here Friday.

The loan applies to the current year. Germany will also provide technical assistance totalling 65 million marks.

German development aid to China had been suspended after Beijing crushed a democracy movement in June 1989. In October, the Bundestag (lower house of parliament) decided to resume assistance.

A 1989 loan - in the same amount as the 1990 credit and bolstered by 460 million marks for subway construction in Shanghai - was also unfrozen.

Although the assistance was not linked to the fate of Chinese political prisoners, German Minisstry for Economic Cooperation Permanent Secretary Siegfried Lengl said it had been made clear to the Chinese government that their treatment was ''extremely significant'' to Bonn.

-30- 1067
#90348d5610 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KARACHI (DEC. 14) - At least two persons were killed and four injured in a factional shootout Friday in the densely populated eastern part of Karachi, welfare workers reported.

The ambulance of the welfare organisation which carried the injured away for treatment also reportedly came under fire by residents of the community.

A top police official put the number of dead at one, with four sustaining injuries in the shootout, but it gave no details about the cause of the clash which was being investigated, Pakistan Press International (Ppi) reported.

Earlier unconfirmed reports had said the clash occurred when local authorities moved to prevent Bengali immigrants from Bangladesh, formerly East Pakistan, from starting a procession. These reports had said that the resulting clash had left seven dead.

Karachi, with over seven million people the largest Pakistani city and the capital of the southern province Sindh, is home to different ethnic groups. They include Urdu-speaking settlers who came from India after the birth of Pakistan in 1947, Sindhis, settlers from Punjab, and Pakhtoons from the North-Western Frontier Province bordering Afghanistan.

Economic interests and social conflicts have often led to unrest in the city

since the mid-80's and successive governments have been finding it impossible to control the law and order situation.

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#90348d5660 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (DEC. 14) - Three children and many women were among 50 Indian nationals who arrived here Friday from Iraq on board the Indian relief ship Vishwa Siddhi.

The Indian consul general, Narendra Kumar, said the evacuees picked up at the southern Iraqi port of Umm Qasr would be flown to Bombay later in the day aboard an Air India plane.

The Vishwa Siddhi mercy voyage to deliver 9,600 tonnes of rice and lentils for Indians and non-Iraqis trapped in Kuwait since Iraq invaded the emirate on August 2 had run into diplomatic problems.

The vessel docked at Umm Qasr in September but was only authorised in November to unload its cargo, after permission came from both the Iraqi government and the United Nations which has imposed a trade embargo on Iraq.

The captain of the Vishwa Siddhi, Raghubir Singh, said the vessel was searched on its way to Umm Qasr by the U.S. Navy off Bahrain in accordance with the U.N. trade embargo on Iraq.

But he said the U.S. forces also helped ferry one of the ship's officers to a Bahrain hospital after he suffered an attack of appendicitis.

-30- 1290

#90348d5720 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUNICH, Germany (DEC. 14) - A seven-year old German prince became the only heir to a family fortune estimated at more than 5 billion Deutsche marks (3.3 billion dollars), after his father Prince Johannes Thurn und Taxis, 64, died on Friday.

Prince Johannes died of complications of a second heart transplant.

Prince Albert's two elder sisters, Maria-Theresa, 10, and Elisabeth, 8, do not get a look in as, by family tradition, the fortune must not be split and goes down the male line.

The fortune, among the biggest in Europe, will be administered until Prince Albert comes of age by, among others, his 30-year-old mother Princess Gloria. The inheritance includes a castle bigger than London's Buckingham Palace. St. Emmeran in Ratisbonne has 500 rooms the prince can play hide-and-seek in and a library of 225,000 books to read.

His 28,000 hectares (69,160 acres) of forests cover an area six-times bigger than the independent Principality of Liechtenstein.

More prosaically, the prince now also finds himself owner of a bank, real estate and about 50 companies employing more than 4,000 people.

Prince Johannes, once the most sought-after bachelors in Germany, finally married in 1980 when he was 53 a woman 33 years younger. Gloria, Countess von Schoenburg-Glauchau, is known for her extravagant wardrobe.

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LONDON (DEC. 14) - Press freedom has improved this year in central and eastern Europe but there were setbacks in many countries, the International Press Institute (Ipi) said here Friday.

''The year 1990 has been an unhappy one for journalists. There has been an increase in attacks on the media,'' it said in its annual report.

Ipi pointed to the situation in Romania where television and the news agency Rompress were still mainly used to release government communiques, while opposition groups were barred from expressing their opinions on the state-owned television.

Independent newspapers in Romania were facing difficulties, it added. Pro-government miners destroyed the offices of the opposition daily Dreptatea last June.

Yugoslav authorities were oppressing the Albanian media in Kosovo, and more than 100 journalists from the daily Politika and the state-controlled television were suspended from work after reporting about an anti-communist demonstration in June.

The institute criticised the Ankara government and said 28 journalists were jailed in Turkey. It said Iranian-born journalist Farzad Bazoft was executed in Iraq in March after having been forced to admit being an Israeli spy. Bazoft was a free-lancer for the London-based weekly The Observer.

Ipi said the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait halted the activities of about 40 publications in the emirate and left 250 journalists jobless. Some of these institutions resumed their work in exile. Iraqi forces looted modern media material in Kuwait.

It added that the situation in South Africa was better since authorities had recently lifted emergency laws on the media, but there were still legal ways for officials to muzzle the press. Ipi noted that unidentified persons killed

in July black journalist Sam Mabe from the daily The Sowetan.

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#90348d5850 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

UMTATA, South Africa (DEC. 14) - The former President of South Africa's nominally-independent Transkei homeland, Kaiser Matanzima, has been arrested by the homeland's security police, his daughter said here Friday.

Mr. Matanzima was arrested early Friday morning while he was on his way to his farm near Queenstown in South Africa's eastern Cape province, his daughter C. Madikizela told South Africa's domestic news agency SAPA.

Mrs. Madikizela said it was not clear why her father had been detained but that the family had already briefed a lawyer to prepare papers in a bid to challenge Mr. Matanzima's detention in Transkei's Supreme Court.

Mr. Matanzima resigned as president in February 1986.

At the time of his arrest, he had already filed a two million rand (796,812 dollars) lawsuit against Transkei's military government for alleged unlawful detention in 1986.

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#90348d5880 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) - The U.S. troop build-up in the Gulf is now at a point where President George Bush will ''in the very near future'' have the option of a military strike against Iraq, armed forces Chief of General Staff General Colin Powell said Friday.

In evidence to the House of Representatives' Armed Services Committee, both Powell and Defence Secretary Dick Cheney said Bush had still made no decision on whether to take military action.

Cheney said of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein: ''There's absolutely no evidence that he's prepared to withdraw his forces from Kuwait.''

But it was ''pretty impressive'' that Saddam had turned down all times proposed by Washington for direct talks with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker.

Powell said there were clearly ''preferences'' for when to take military action. The worst time was when the Gulf region became really hot between July and September.

''There are obviously better time periods than others, but that would not be the determining factor,'' Powell said.

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#90348d5890 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN (DEC. 14) - Oil Minister Gholamreza Aghazadeh blamed here Friday Saudi Arabia for what he called a glut in heavy crude on the world market, the Iranian news agency IRNA reported.

Mr. Aghazadeh, speaking to reporters on his return from an OPEC conference in Vienna, charged that Saudi Arabia was responsible for most of the over-production in heavy crude.

In Vienna, Saudi Oil Minister Hisham Nazer told him that his country's consumption of heavy crude had doubled because of the massive deployment of U.S. troops in the kingdom since the Gulf crisis, the Iranian minister said.

But Mr. Aghazadeh described as "unacceptable" what he called claims by Saudi Arabia that its supply of heavy crude to the world market was only marginally in excess of demand.

"The difference of price between heavy and light crude now stands at five to six dollars per barrel," said the Iranian oil minister, whose country's economy depends heavily on its exports of heavy crude.

Mr. Aghazadeh said however that the regular year-old conference of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries had helped ease fears about a sharp fall in oil prices.

"The oil ministers of OPEC states, particularly those of the Persian Gulf, have decided to coordinate their oil supply policy in the event of a war in the region," he added, without elaborating.

OPEC oil ministers have reaffirmed plans to restore national oil production quotas to steady crude prices as soon as the Gulf crisis is resolved, the organisation's chairman Sadek Boussena said Thursday.

But as long as a threat of war is still looming in the region, Saudi Arabia and other OPEC producers will remain free to produce as much crude as the market may need.

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#90348d5950 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 14) - Japan and Germany ended three days of civil aviation talks here Friday without reaching an agreement, officials said.

Germany rejected Japanese requests to allow Japan Air Lines and All Nippon Airways to start regular services to Berlin, while Japan refused to accept

German requests for an increase in the number of Lufthansa Airlines' landing slots at the New Tokyo International Airport in Narita, the officials said.

The Japanese delegation told their German counterparts that Narita airport, still with only one runway, lacks the leeway to grant the German request.

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#90348d6000 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 14) - Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen expressed concern Friday at the economic and political situation in the Soviet Union but stressed Beijing and Moscow's common desire to develop "good neighborly" ties.

In a long article published Friday in the intellectual Guangming Daily, Mr. Qian said: "The Soviet economy is experiencing serious problems, the political situation is very complex and opinions vary widely."

Despite detente between Moscow and Washington, the world has entered a period of "great change" and seen the emergence of "new factors of instability," Mr. Qian wrote, citing the Gulf crisis and continuing Arab-Israeli conflict.

"This proves that the U.S.-Soviet rapprochement has brought neither peace nor stability, as some people predicted," he wrote in an article titled "Chinese diplomacy and the world in upheaval."

In eastern Europe, he wrote, "economic difficulties and social instability will continue for a long time."

Stressing that Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's visit here in May 1989 had sealed reconciliation after 30 years of hostility, he said the two giant neighbors wanted to maintain good relations "not only in the interests of the two countries but also for peace in Asia and the entire world."

In the last few weeks, the official Chinese press has reported in detail the economic and political crises facing Mr. Gorbachev.

The Guangming Daily said Tuesday that the Sovet president had personally recognized the "grave errors committed as part of Soviet political reforms and their serious and negative if not devastating consequences."

Since its crackdown on the pro-democracy movement here last year, China's communist leadership has expressed aversion to Soviet reforms, which it blames for a wave of liberalizing change throughout formerly communist eastern Europe.

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#90348d6010 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUSCAT (DEC. 14) - Oman called on other Arab countries Friday to support

Algerian President Chadli Bendjedid's efforts to find a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis and said hopes for peace were rising.

Mr. Chadli arrived here earlier from Iran on the fourth leg of a regional tour and held talks with the Omani leader, Sultan Qaboos.

The two heads of state have "adopted the same approach and been working above all, since the start of the Gulf crisis, to defend the interests of the Arab nation," said Oman's minister of state for foreign affairs.

Yussef ibn Alawi ibn Abdallah, quoted by Oman News Agency, called on all Arab countries to support Mr. Chadli's efforts, which he said constituted a "very good start" to a Gulf settlement.

"Optimism on the Gulf crisis is gradually taking the place of pessimism," Mr. Abdallah said. "In order for this optimism to be total, it is necessary to support fully the Algerian efforts aimed at a peaceful solution."

The Algerian president, who has also visited Iraq and Jordan on his tour, is to travel on to Syria. But there was no confirmation Friday of earlier reports that he would visit Saudi Arabia.

Mr. Chadli and Iranian President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani agreed Thursday that a peaceful outcome to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait was necessary to preserve Arab and Moslem interests.

The security of the Gulf, where a massive U.S-led multinational force has been deployed following Iraq's August 2 invasion, is the "sole responsibility of regional states," according to the Algerian president.

Algeria is seeking an Arab solution to the crisis, amid reports that Mr. Chadli would try during his tour to set up a summit between the Iraqi president and King Fahd of Saudi Arabia, where U.S. troops are based.

The Algerian president's delegation in Muscat said he was not trying to mediate between Arab countries.

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#90348d6180 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (DEC. 14) - The European Community is ready to ease sanctions against South Africa if the government there continues its reform programme, sources attending the E.C. summit said Friday.

Delegates from Luxembourg said a majority of the 10 E.C. leaders meeting in Rome were in favour of honoring Pretoria for the steps it is taking to lift racial barriers.

Among the measures being considered are an end to the embargo on investments and lifting the ban on imports of South African gold coins and steel.

The sources said a final decision would be taken by E.C. foreign ministers when they meet in March, a month after the South African parliament meets to debate the scrapping of more apartheid laws.

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#90348d6220 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) - The Gulf War will already have started in many Americans' homes this Christmas - as one of two board games being marketed as ''Gulf Attack - Desert Shield'' and ''Arab Nightmare: The Kuwait War''.

The Wall Street Journal reported Friday that the former has already gone into its second impression while the latter would be making its debut in time for the last Christmas gift rush next week.

''People are buying them as Christmas gifts for their loved ones,'' one toy shop proprietress told the newspaper of the games, which have unleashed a wave of protest by peace gourps.

The complex games have rules between 80 and 100 pages long, and can go on for days, with players required to have a knowledge of weapons systems, military tactics and politics.

Among macabre point-winning ploys in ''Arab Nightmare'' is for a player to take hostage a prominent American newsman, and then execute him.

A third game, ''The Butcher of Baghdad'', is due out in the new year, having undergone delay in development because its inventor is involved in U.S. Defence Department planning, The Wall Street Journal said.

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#90348d6300 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 14) - North Sea Brent crude oil prices rose strongly here Friday afternoon, after members of the U.S. Congress said President George Bush was prepared to drop the idea of talks with Iraq about the Gulf crisis if Baghdad remains inflexible on the dates for such talks.

Brent for January delivery was up to 28.20 dollars a barrel late Friday afternoon, against 27.35 dollars at the opening and 26.95 at the Thursday close.

An analyst at Kleinwort Benson brokerage said the Washington news had rekindled fears of war in the Gulf. Hopes for a negotiated solution had dropped Brent prices as low as 25.75 dollars a barrel last week, their lowest level

since the end of August.

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#90348d6330 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 14) - The New Zealand government has refused to grant a visa to South African Foreign Minister Pik Botha to take part in a fishing competition early next year, state-run television reported here Friday.

New Zealand's Foreign Ministry said the policy of the country's new government towards South Africa remained unchanged and that all South Africans who wanted to compete in the tournament at the Bay of Islands in northern New Zealand would be refused visas, television news said.

Mr. Botha could not immediately be reached for comment.

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#90348d6350 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC. 14) - The Soviet Union reduced defense spending by four percent in real terms last year and is expected to make similar cuts this year according to a North Atlantic Treaty Organization report released Friday.

NATO experts said the Soviet Union spent between 135 and 160 billion rubles on the military last year, about 15 to 17 percent of gross domestic product. One ruble equals 1.80 dollars at the official rate.

The NATO estimate of Soviet defense expenditure is significantly higher than official Soviet figures. President Mikhail Gorbachev announced in May 1989 that the country's defense spending for the year was 77.3 billion rubles.

Explaining the difference, the NATO report said the Soviet Union uses a "narrower classification of defense spending than that used by NATO."

The main reason for the difference, the report said, is that prices charged to the Soviet Ministry of Defense are "substantially less than the cost of manufacturing the equipment."

NATO estimated that it was likely that Soviet defense spending would continue to drop in real terms until at least 1995 under the effects of the withdrawal of Soviet forces from Eastern Europe and disarmament agreements.

The Soviet Union has decided to reduce the amount of gross domestic product spent on defense by between one-third and 50 percent by 1995.

NATO experts said achieving the goal would depend not only on conventional and nuclear disarmament agreements but also on the success of Soviet efforts to convert military to civil production.

However, the report said, "conversion (to civilian output) is unlikely to fulfill all expectations."

"In the short term any financial savings made will be limited by the costs of detroying strategic systems, the conversion of production facilities, verification, and the construction of new military barracks," it said.

"Soviet officials now understand that the financial benefits of arms control and conversion will be smaller and longer than they originally anticipated," the report added.

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#90348d6400 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (DEC. 14) - The toppled regime of Chadian president Hissein Habre executed several hundred Libyan prisoners-of-war held in Chad, with France a "silent accessory" to the alleged crime, an African human rights body charged here Friday.

The International Commission for the Respect of the African Charter (ICRAC) stated that it had in August sent a team to Ndjamena to investigate the status of some 2,600 Libyan POWs. The delegates were expelled after two meetings with the Chadian authorities.

The ICRAC, which monitors application of Organization of African Unity (OAU) rights accords, also condemned what it described as the "kidnapping of Libyan military prisoners in Chad" by the United States.

This was a reference to more than 600 Libyan POWs taken during Libyan-backed rebel campaigns against Mr. Habre, who were subsequently trained by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) for commando operations against the Tripoli regime.

The U.S. Air Force last week flew them out of Chad, after former rebel Idriss Deby ousted Mr. Habre with Libyan logistic support.

Libya has also said the POWs were "kidnapped" and had wanted to "return to their families." Tripoli accused the United States of executing those who were not prepared to be evacuated, while French troops in Chad stood by.

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#90348d6410 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 14) - French household appliance firm Moulinex announced Friday that its board of directors had approved a plan to buy Germany's Krups company which also operates in the appliance sector.

The vote is considered a victory for new Moulinex chairman Roland Darneau, who had been elected earlier on Friday to succeed Jean Mantelet, who resigned. Mr. Mantelet was named honorary chairman.

The announcement said that details on the Krups deal would be announced after the two sides sign the final document, which should occur soon.

The Moulinex Group employs 12,000 and had a net loss of 25 million francs (five million dollars) for the first half of the year, against a profit of 47 million dollars for the first half last year. Sales for the first six months this year were 2.5 billion francs, up 17 per cent.

Krups had sales of around 340 million dollars last year. It employs 2,000 and has lost money for the last three years.

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#90348d6480 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 14) - News of an oil strike off the western Philippine island of Palawan fuelled a net stock market rally this week despite signs of diminishing momentum in the latter half.

On the Manila Stock Exchange, the composite index closed Friday at 690.25 points, up 10.9 per cent from last week's finish of 621.99.

The suburban Makati Stock Exchange index finished at 697.14, up 10.5 per cent the previous week's close of 630.69 points.

Average daily turnover in Manila was 3.69 billion shares, up sharply from last week's 1.06 billion shares. Average daily value stood at 134.42 million pesos (4.8 million dollars), also up from the 52.7 million pesos (2.04 million dollars) last week.

At Makati, average daily volume hit 3.223 billion shares, up from 687.6 million shares last week, while average daily value was 116.6 million pesos (4.16 million dollars), up from 46.79 million pesos (1.67 million dollars) last week.

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#90348d6490 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 14) - A financial protocol worth 100 million francs (20 million dollars) was signed here this week between the French Treasury and the Jordanian Central Bank, the Economics and Finance Ministry announced Friday.

It said the agreement reflected the French commitment to help support the nations most affected by the Gulf conflict, and would provide emergency aid for the Jordanian balance of payments.

Talks on the agreement began here on November 20.

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#90348d6580 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RABAT (DEC. 14) - Bloody clashes were reported Friday from the Moroccan city of Fez during a general strike called by the two biggest trade unions in protest against the country's sharp drop in living standards.

The Moroccan Democratic Workers Confederation (Cdt) spoke of 20 deaths, other sources of 30 to 40 deaths. Besides Fes, violence was also reported from Tangiers, Nador and Kenitra.

Eyewitnesses were quoted as saying some of the poorer sections of Fez saw buildings being set on fire and shops looted.

According to unconfirmed reports, bands of youths threw stones in protest against policemen and members of the military forces being used to drive public buses during the strike.

Riots were also said to have taken place at the university of Fez, injuring a number of persons. The university has been the scene of various confrontations in the past between Islamic fundamentalists and moderate students.

The strike was called by the Cdt and the Moroccan Trade Union (Ugtm) to underpin demands for a 50-per-cent wage rise and a doubling in state benefits for families with many children.

In 1981, drastic rises in prices for bread, cooking oil and sugar led to bloody bread riots that left some 600 people dead.

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#90348d6750 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAN JOSE (DEC. 14) - Central American presidents meet here Saturday and Sunday in a summit dominated by the renewal of guerrilla warfare and political instability in the region.

The heightening tension follows a period of unquestioned success for the regional peace plan signed in 1987 by Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua.

The Central American presidents had agreed to devote the meeting to economic problems, but they will not be able to escape the political and military worries of the moment.

The Salvadoran conflict is the clearest case of failure of attempts to pacify

the region. Leftist guerrillas have been waging an offensive since November 20 that has taken a high toll in dead and wounded.

The rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) assure that the offensive, and its use of surface-to-air missiles against military aircraft, are aimed at pressuring President Alfredo Cristiani to make concessions in peace talks with the rebels.

The armed conflict in Guatemala, which is three decades old, is far from over despite attempts at dialogue between the Guatemalan National Revolutionary Union (UNRG), which groups the guerrilla forces active in Guatemala, and the Christian Democratic government of Vinicio Cerezo.

The summit in the Pacific port of Puntarenas will be Mr. Cerezo's last. He leaves office January 14, a week after the second round of presidential elections pitting two conservative candidates, Jorge Serano and Jorge Carpio.

The recent killing of 20 peasants, who were shot by soldiers at a demonstration, was a fresh reminder of the country's tarnished reputation in terms of human rights.

President Violetta Chamorro of Nicaragua, meanwhile, has failed to usher in the period of peaceful reconstruction that she promised after her spectacular electionvictory in Februry against the Sandinista National Liberation Front (FSLN.)

At a time when the economic situation is particularly troubling, important allies have broken with Mrs. Chamorro, accusing her of collaborating with the Sandinistas and keeping former Sandinista defense minister Humberto Ortega in power as chief of the armed forces.

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#90348d6830 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUGANO, SWITZERLAND (DEC. 14) - Alleged Colombian drug trafficker Lianos Sanchez is to be extradited from Spain to Tessin in southern Switzerland, prosecutor Carla del Ponte said here Friday.

Mr. Sanchez was arrested last January 9 in Madrid along with Juan Carlos Betancur. They were said to be the accomplices of Severo Escobar IV.

Mr. Sanchez and Mr. Betancur were arrested in an apartment in Madrid. Police allegedly found them in possession of 300 kgs (660 pounds) of cocaine which was to be sent to Mr. Escobar, who is 25, in Tessink.

Mr. Betancur was extradited from Spain to Switzerland on Thursday.

Mr. Escobar was arrested in November 1989 in Lugano. His father is serving a

35-year prison term in the United States.

The trial of the Colombian traffickers will be held next year. The investigation into their network, which reached into Sweden and Germany, led to the arrest of four more traffickers, including a woman.

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#90348d7380 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (DEC. 14) - The U.N. General Assembly called Friday on all governments and organizitions to maintain sanctions against South Africa until apartheid was completely dismantled.

The resolution was adopted by a vote of 120-9 with 22 abstentions.

Votes against were cast by Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal, Britain and the United States.

The General Assembly's resolution was adopted the same day that the president of the African National Congress, Oliver Tambo, said his organization was ready to consider a gradual suspension of economic sanctions.

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#90348d7430 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, United Nations (DEC. 14) - The U.N. Security Council voted Friday to renew the mandate of the U.N. peace-keeping force in Cyprus.

The group's mandate was extended to June 15, 1991 by a vote of 14 in favor and none against. Canada abstained.

The force was created in 1964 to separate the Greek and Turkish communities on Cyprus. The 2,123-man force has had its mandate extended every six months since then, currently at a cost of about 14 million dollars per half-year period.

Canada, which has long supported the force, said it abstained Friday because of the U.N.'s shaky financial state. Member countries have racked up a total deficit of 172 million dollars since December 1980.

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#90348d7570 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MIAMI, Florida (DEC. 14) - A U.S. delegation has been sent to Europe to ask banks there to unfreeze deposed Panamanian general Manuel Noriega's assets, Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael Sullivan said Friday.

State and Justice Department officials travelled to Austria and Switzerland

after U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler urged the government to free some of Mr. Noriega's money so he will be able to pay his lawyers.

Mr. Noriega is facing trial on charges of accepting 4.6 million dollars in bribes to allow Colombian traffickers to ship cocaine through Panama without interference.

Mr. Hoeveler was pleased with the government's efforts.

"I'm satisfied at this time they are making a good faith effort to unfreeze funds for the defense," he said.

Neither the State Department nor the Justice Department would immediately comment on the delegation.

Much of Friday's hearing was closed to the press, with Mr. Hoeveler saying that "some of the areas (covered) are legitimately classified."

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#90348d7580 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) - Most of the largest banks in the United States are on the verge of insolvency and that could cost taxpayers 63 billion dollars in a severe recession, according to a congressional report.

"This nation faces an almost unprecedented situation in having most of its largest banks operating on -- or conceivably, over -- the edge of insolvency," said a summary of the report which was leaked to the press Friday.

The report, written by three economists at the request of a congressional subcommittee, is to be released at a public hearing Monday.

It challenged U.S. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady's pledge that that bankers, not taxpayers, will pay to rescue banks if necessary.

To avert massive insolvency, tax money must quickly be injected into the government fund insuring deposits, the report said. Even the mild economic downturn expected by most economists would leave the fund short of cash, it said.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) Chairman William Seidman has recommended a backup plan be adopted to put more money into the fund -- which he said has enough money to handle the failures foreseen by the agency into mid-1991 -- if needed.

Two authors of the report favor shoring up the FDIC with a massive loan from the Treasury, as large as 50 billion dollars, and recommend banks repay the money over an extended period.

The potential 63-billion-dollars cost to taxpayers was a worst-case scenario, the report said.

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#90348d7590 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CHICAGO, Illinois, Dec 14 (AFP) - U.S. doctors outstripped the rate of inflation last year, earning an average of 11,000 dollars more and bringing home more than 155,000 dollars each, according to a study released this week.

The American Medical Association (AMA) study said the average income of physicians increased 7.7 per cent in 1989 while the Consumer Price Index increased only 4.6 per cent.

AMA president-elect John Ring said Friday he expected the average person's reaction to the incomes "to be surprise," but given the number of hours and intense work doctors do, the high incomes are "understandable."

Average income for physicians last year was 155,800 dollars, up from 144,700 the previous year, the study said.

Dr. Ring said last year's increase was actually smaller than most years since 1981. That year, doctors earned an average of 89,900 dollars, said the study.

The median physician income was 125,000 dollars last year, up from 120,000 dollars in 1988.

The figures represent income before taxes but after all professional expenses.

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#90348d7660 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PASADENA, CALIFORNIA (DEC. 14) - The Ulysses space probe's mission has been threatened by wobbles that European and U.S. technicians running the flight cannot explain, officials said Friday.

Scientists at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) said the malfunction appeared November 4, some four weeks before the Discovery probe was launched.

Willy Meeks, one of the officials at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory here, said scientists hoped to counterbalance the wobble by firing the probe's thrusters at appropriate moments.

"Gloom is something I don't feel," Mr. Meeks said. "I'm sure that somehow during the next four years we'll find a way to learn to live with this problem."

Edgar Page, with the European Space Agency, was more pessimistic. Up to 90 per cent of the data the probe was to have collected may be jeopardized by the wobble, he said.

The vibrations are preventing the probe from continuously pointing the probe's main antenna at the Earth, officials at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory said.

The probe was designed to study radio waves from Earth and waves in the solar wind.

An eight-meter (yard) long arm holding an antenna, which was deployed November 4, could be causing the vibrations if, as officials believe, the boom was bent by large temperature vibrations between the side exposed to the sun and the side in the shade.

The 250-million-dollar spacecraft was launched from the shuttle Discovery on October 6. It is to orbit Jupiter in 1992 and, using Jupiter's gravity as a slingshot, be the first spacecraft to orbit the sun's poles in 1994 and 1995.

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#90348d7690 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME, (DEC 15) - European Community (EC) leaders agreed here Friday to send a billion dollars worth of food to the Soviet Union and to permit Paris and London to make direct contacts with Iraq.

They also agreed to press the United Nations Security Council to adopt a resolution calling for an international conference on the Middle East, which Israel and the United States have long opposed.

The 12 EC leaders spent most of the first day of a two-day EC summit discussing emergency aid for the Soviet Union and longer-term assistance to bolster the economic reforms of President Mikhail Gorbachev.

Italian spokesman Pio Mastrobuoni said the 12 EC leaders had agreed unanimously to extend 750 million European Currency Units (ECUs, worth about a billion dollars) in aid to the Soviet Union.

Mr. Mastrobuoni said there was also agreement that the EC should quickly strengthen its formal ties with the Soviet Union, which now consist of only an accord on economic cooperation signed in 1989.

A French spokesman said the EC leaders had agreed to ask France and Britain, the community's only permanent representatives to the Security Council, to undertake direct contacts with Iraq.

The foreign minister of Italy, the current EC president, had agreed to meet

with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tarek Aziz on his return from a visit to Washington whose date has not yet been set.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said he had considered going to Baghdad after Mr. Aziz's U.S. visit.

The Italian foreign minister, Gianni De Michelis, said the EC wanted a "parallel and coordinated" channel of communication between the EC and Iraq.

He said the EC had agreed to press the U.N. for a commitment to a regional peace conference that would take place after the Kuwaiti question was settled.

Mr. Mastrobuoni, the Italian EC spokesman, said the EC leaders differed over what form the aid to the Soviet Union should take, how it should be sent and how it should be split between grants and loans.

The European Commission proposed a direct grant of 250 million ECUs and guaranteed credits of 500 million ECUs. But Germany, France and Britain opposed credits.

"The last thing the Soviet Union needs is a lot of debt," British Prime Minister John Major was quoted as saying.

Some leaders were quoted as saying aid should not be allowed to feed "the Soviet black market" through inefficient and corrupt distribution systems.

Mr. Mastrobuoni quoted German Chancellor Helmut Kohl as saying that "Gorbachev's failure would cost Europe much more dearly" than a timely aid package.

French President Francois Mitterrand called for generous and rapid aid for the Soviet Union and urged a strengthening of formal EC ties with that country beyond the accord on economic cooperation that already exists.

Mr. Major approved emergency food aid, but warned against disrupting Soviet production by "dumping" large amounts of food in the country and overloading the Soviet distribution system.

Mr. Major also supported a Dutch proposal for a European energy charter, and called for a Pan European Energy Convention that would help the Soviet Union get oil out of the ground and assist other Eastern European countries with their energy shortages.

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#90348d7740 12/14/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME, (DEC 15) - EC leaders meeting here on Thursday argued over how and when to lift economic sanctions against South Africa that are now widely flaunted.

Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher of Germany, one of Pretoria's strongest advocates, said late Friday that the principle of lifting the sanctions had been agreed to.

He said the European Community leaders were nearing agreement on an immediate end to the ban on investments in South Africa.

But a spokesman for the presidency of France, which favours a more conditional approach, said no final decision would be made before the heads of state and government meet Saturday morning.

A compromise between proponents and opponents of immediate lifting could be postponing the decision until the South African parliament reconvenes in February and has the opportunity to move further on the path to democracy.

Britain, too, supports the immediate lifting of the sanctions at a time all 12 EC members have opened trade offices in South Africa.

"British policy is unchanged and the rest of the world is catching up," a senior British official said.

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#90348e0031 12/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (DEC. 14) EFE - Share prices on the Madrid stock exchange slid Friday as the general index dropped 3.14 points to end trading at 238.23.

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#90348e0044 12/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MOSCOW (DEC 14) EFE - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev said Friday during a visit by his South Korean counterpart, Roh Tae Woo, that he looked forward to changes in the international political climate that could lead to the reunification of South and North Korea.

After meeting with Roh, Gorbachev said both leaders were aware that in the new international political situation, "it will be possible to meet the wishes of the Korean people -- the reunification of North and South Korea."

Gorbachev said the reunification process "would have moved more quickly" had the military tension between the two been reduced.

The two leaders signed a declaration of principles to govern newly established diplomatic relations opened three months ago between the two nations.

Gorbachev and Roh are to meet several times during Roh's four-day stay in Moscow, the first visit of a South Korean leader since that country was formed

in 1948.

Soviet Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Igor Rogachov said the new Soviet ties with South Korea "will not influence" relations with third nations, particularly North Korea "with whom we have had a long tradition of friendship. We will do everything possible to continue the good relations between the Soviet Union and North Korea."

In addition to reunification, trade promises to be high on the two leaders' agenda.

The latest round of talks aimed at normalizing relations between the two Koreas ended without agreement in Seoul on Thursday.

Roh's trip has brought criticism from communist North Korea, Moscow's long-time ally, which has accused the South of trying to destroy its relations with the Soviet Union.

Trade deals worth dlrs five billion along with technical and scientific accords are expected to be signed during Roh's visit, which began Thursday.

Soviet officials have expressed hope that improving relations will open the doors to a flood of South Korean investment.

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#90348e0046 12/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BERLIN (DEC. 14) EFE - A Berlin court Friday turned down an appeal against a warrant for the arrest of former East German leader Erich Honecker on manslaughter charges connected with his government's shoot-to-kill policy at the Berlin Wall.

The east German news agency ADN quoted Honecker's lawyer Wolfgang Ziegler as saying he thought the rejection of the appeal was unfair.

Honecker's lawyers had argued the former Communist Party boss could not be held responsible for orders given to border guards to shoot East Germans trying to flee to the West because he was acting in accordance with the laws of East Germany.

Honecker, 78, cannot be arrested until Soviet authorities agree to release him from the Soviet military hospital near Berlin where he is said to be suffering from high blood pressure.

The appeal also said Honecker leader was too sick to be taken to prison from his hospital bed.

Ziegler refused to comment on reports released Friday that Bonn is to formally

request that Soviet authorities hand Honecker over.

Court authorities ordered Honecker's arrest on manslaughter charges two weks ago.

East and West Germany were reunited October 3 following the collapse of Honecker's communist government last year.

In the years between the Berlin Wall's construction in 1961 and its collapse during last year's peaceful revolution, East German border guards shot dead 190 people trying to escape to the West.

Honecker was jailed briefly after he was toppled but doctors obtained his release, arguing he was too sick to face prison or interrogation on charges of treason, abuse of power and corruption, all of which are still pending.

He underwent surgery for cancer in January and has been ill since then.

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#90348e0047 12/14/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MANAGUA (DEC. 14) EFE - Sticking to a campaign promise, Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro Friday signed a decree abolishing the military draft.

"With the abolition of this law ends the jail term for the youth," Chamorro said, after signing the bill. She had suspended the draft when she took office April 25.

When she was elected February 25, Nicaragua had Central America's largest standing army with some 70,000 men and a 10,000-strong state security.

Observers said Chamorro's pledge to scrap the law helped her win the elections.

Sociologists have said the draft contributed heavily to the massive exodus of Nicaraguans after 1983, when military service was made obligatory.

The former Sandinista goverment of president Daniel Ortega relied heavily on the draft to fight against the U.S.-backed Contra rebels in a 1981-90 war which claimed more than 30,000 lives.

Chamorro emphasized the elimination of the draft meant "there will be no more exile; our young men will now enjoy freedom and peace since we do not want more war".

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#90348h0088 12/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 14) XINHUA - THE NIGERIAN SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (SDP) HAS WON A

SLIGHT VICTORY OVER ITS COUNTERPART, THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN CONVENTION (NRC) IN THE JUST-CONCLUDED LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS.

THE OFFICIAL FIGURES RELEASED BY THE NATIONAL ELECTORAL COMMISSION HERE THURSDAY SHOW THAT THE SDP RETAINED 232 CHAIRMANSHIP POSTS OUT OF THE 453 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS NATIONWIDE WHILE THE NRC WON 206. ON THE COUNCILLORSHIP ELECTIONS, THE SDP HAS WON 2,934 COUNCILLOR POSTS AND NRC WON 2,558.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL ELECTORAL COMMISSION, PROFESSOR HUMPHREY NWOSU SAID THAT HIS COMMISSION WAS SATISFIED WITH THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION AND THE OPEN BALLOT SYSTEM ADOPTED IN THE ELECTIONS.

PRESIDENT IBRAHIM BABANGIDA SAID THURSDAY THAT HE WAS PLEASED WITH THE RESULT OF THE ELECTIONS, SAYING THAT THE ELECTIONS HAVE PROVED THAT NIGERIANS' DREAM OF A DEMOCRATIC ORDER "IS REALIZABLE."

THE NATIONAL ELECTORAL COMMISSION HAS SET FEBRUARY 2, 1991 AS THE DATE FOR A FRESH OR BY-ELECTIONS IN 44 WARDS WHERE LAST SATURDAY'S LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS WERE NOT RATIFIED.

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#90348h0089 12/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

COLOMBO (DEC. 14) XINHUA - A TEN-MEMBER PAKISTANI PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION HEADED BY SENATE CHAIRMAN WASIM SAJJAD WILL STOP OVER HERE ON SATURDAY, GOVERNMENT SOURCES REPORTED HERE TODAY.

THE DELEGATION WILL MAKE A BRIEF STAY IN COLOMBO FROM DECEMBER 15 TO 16, RETURNING FROM BANGKOK. SRI LANKAN SPEAKER M.H. MOHAMED WILL WELCOME THE PAKISTANI DELEGATION IN PARLIAMENT HERE ON SUNDAY.

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#90348h0090 12/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (DEC. 14) XINHUA - MALAYSIAN NEWSPAPERS TODAY HAILED CHINESE PREMIER LI PENG'S JUST-CONCLUDED VISIT TO THE COUNTRY AS A "FRUITFUL ONE", THAT "PREPARED THE GROUNDWORK FOR FUTURE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES." LI WAS IN MALAYSIA ON A FOUR-DAY OFFICIAL GOODWILL VISIT FROM SUNDAY UNTIL THURSDAY.

IN ITS EDITORIAL, THE CHINESE LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER NANYANG SIANG PAU SAID THAT "IMPORTANT HEADWAY" HAS BEEN MADE IN SINO-MALAYSIAN RELATIONS AS A RESULT OF PREMIER LI'S VISIT.

THE SHIN MIN NEWS, ANOTHER CHINESE LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER, SAID IN ITS EDITORIAL THAT LI'S VISIT TO MALAYSIA LAID THE FOUNDATION FOR CLOSER COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THE FUTURE. THE VISIT ALSO HELPED TO PROMOTE PEACE AND STABILITY IN ASIA, PARTICULARLY IN THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN REGION, THE EDITORIAL

COMMENTED.

THE EDITORIAL ALSO CALLED FOR GREATER EFFORTS BY BOTH MALAYSIA AND CHINA TO FURTHER PROMOTE BILATERAL TRADE RELATIONS, NOTING THAT THERE IS STILL MUCH ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT IN THIS AREA.

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#90348h0142 12/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WINDHOEK, DECEMBER 14 (XINHUA) -- NAMIBIA ANNOUNCED TODAY IT WILL DONATE ONE MILLION RANDS (400,000 U.S. DOLLARS) TO THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC) OF SOUTH AFRICA TO SUPPORT ITS PEACE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE PRETORIA GOVERNMENT.

AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE TODAY, NAMIBIAN PRIME MINISTER HAGE GEINGOB SAID NAMIBIA IS ENCOURAGED BY THE NEGOTIATION PROCESS IN SOUTH AFRICA AND FULLY SUPPORTS THE EFFORTS BEING MADE BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN PEOPLE TO FIND A PEACEFUL END TO THE APARTHEID SYSTEM IN THEIR COUNTRY.

NAMIBIA FEELS THAT THE ANC, AS THE LEADING FORCE IN NEGOTIA- TIONS WITH THE PRETORIA GOVERNMENT, SHOULD BE BETTER EQUIPPED FINANCIALLY TO EFFECTIVELY AND MEANINGFULLY NEGOTIATE WITH PRESIDENT F.W. DE KLERK, HE SAID.

HE HOPES THAT IN THE NEW YEAR THE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE ANC AND THE GOVERNMENT WILL BE CARRIED ON WITH ADDED VIGOUR AND LEAD TO AN EARLY SOLUTION TO THE CONFLICT IN THAT COUNTRY.

THE ANC AND THE PRETORIA GOVERNMENT HAVE HELD TWO SUMMIT MEETINGS THIS YEAR TO FIND WAYS TO END THE MINORITY WHITE RULE IN SOUTH AFRICA.

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#90348h0147 12/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

UNITED NATIONS (DEC. 14) XINHUA - THE RATE OF DEFORESTATION, PARTICALLY IN THE TROPICS, HAS ACCELERATED CONSIDERABLY OVER THE PAST DECADE, SAYS THE U.N. EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION (UNESCO).

IN ITS LATEST ISSUE OF "SOURCES," THE UNESCO SAYS THAT THE INCREASE IN DEFORESTATION IS MOST OBVIOUS IN AFRICA, FOLLOWED BY ASIA AND THEN LATIN AMERICA.

ACCORDING TO THE UNESCO MAGAZINE, THE WORLD SURFACE AREA COVERED BY FORESTS WAS 14.5 MILLION SQUARE KM IN 1980 AND 12.82 MILLION IN 1990, DOWN BY 11.6 PERCENT.

IN ASIA, THE FORESTED AREA IN 1980 WAS 3.34 MILLION KM. BUT BY 1990, THE FORESTED AREA HAS BEEN REDUCED TO 2.87 MILLION, DECREASED BY 14 PERCENT.

IN LATIN AMERICA WHICH CONTAINS 59 PERCENT, THE GREATEST PART, OF THE WORLD'S

FORESTS, THE DEFORESTATION RATE IS 8.8 PERCENT, DOWN FROM 8.26 MILLION SQUARE KM IN 1980 TO 7.53 MILLION IN 1990.

IN AFRICA, THE FIGURE IS 16.5 PERCENT, THE HIGHEST RATE OF DEFORESTATION IN THE WORLD DURING THE LAST DECADE, FROM 2.9 MILLION SQUARE KM IN 1980 TO 2.42 MILLION IN 1990.

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#90348h0150 12/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (DEC. 14) XINHUA - A DELEGATION OF SEVERAL PROMINENT KUWAITIS IN EXILE ARRIVED IN SANAA, CAPITAL OF YEMEN, TODAY, THE FIRST TO VISIT THIS ARAB COUNTRY SEEN AS SYMPATHETIC TOWARD IRAQ.

REPORTS FROM SANAA QUOTED DELEGATION LEADER AHMED AL-SAQQAF AS SAYING IN AN ARRIVAL STATEMENT THAT "WE HOPE AND PRAY OUR DIALOGUE WITH OUR YEMENI OFFICIAL AND POPULAR BROTHERS WILL BE CONSTRUCTIVE."

KUWAIT WAS SUBJECTED TO A "TREACHEROUS INVASION" BY IRAQ ON AUGUST 2, AND "WE HOPE THAT LOGIC WILL PREVAIL AND THE IRAQI ARMY WILL WITHDRAW FROM OUR HOMELAND WITHOUT FORCING THE REGION INTO WAR," SAID AL-SAQQAF, A KUWAITI GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF SOUTHERN ARABIAN PENINSULA AFFAIRS BEFORE THE INVASION.

THE DELEGATION, CONSISTING OF SEVERAL PARLIAMENTARIANS, HAS BEEN TO SYRIA, LEBANON, JORDAN, EGYPT AND SUDAN. IT IS ONE OF SEVERAL KUWAITI GROUPS TRAVELLING ROUND THE WORLD TO SEEK SUPPORT FOR PRESSURE ON IRAQ TO END ITS OCCUPATION OF KUWAIT.

YEMEN SAYS THAT IT CONDEMNS THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT, BUT IT IS OPPOSED TO THE U.S.-LED FOREIGN MILITARY BUILDUP IN THE GULF AND STANDS FOR A PEACEFUL ARAB SOLUTION TO THE CRISIS.

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#90348h0170 12/14/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LIMA (DEC. 14) XINHUA - THE PERUVIAN CONGRESS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY THURSDAY A REPORT OF RECOMMENDING THE DISMISSAL OF THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (SIN) HEAD GENERAL EDWIN DIAZ ZEVALLOS, PRESIDENT OF THE SUPERIOR INTELLIGENCE COUNCIL.

THE SENATE ALSO FOUND DIAZ ZEVALLOS GUILTY OF ORDERING THE TAPPING OF PRIVATE PHONE CALLS MADE BY POLITICAL LEADERS, PARLIAMENTARIES, STATE MINISTERS, MILITARY HEADS AND JOURNALISTS.

THE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THAT THE SIN BE REORGANIZED AND THAT THE LAWS RULING THE SERVICE BE MODIFIED TO SET UP A STRUCTURE BASED ON THE PARTICIPATION OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH, ARMY AND POLICE INTELLIGENCE AND THE

INTERIOR MINISTRY, BUT ALSO ALLOW CONGRESS TO INTERVENE TO GUARANTEE RESPECT FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS.

IT ALSO PROPOSED A BILL UNDER WHICH CONGRESS WOULD RATIFY THE NAMING OF THE SIN HEAD.

A PARLIAMENTARY REPRESENTATION SHOULD ALSO JOIN THE SUPERIOR INTELLIGENCE COUNCIL TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLANNING OF STRATEGIC INTELLIGENCE PROGRAMS, THE COMMITTEE STATED.

THE COMMITTEE CONCLUDED THAT THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH SHOULD BE URGED TO IMMEDIATELY REMOVE GENERAL DIAZ ZEVALLOS AS WELL AS THE DIRECTIVE BODIES THAT HEADED THE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE IN 1989 AND 1990.

IT WAS INFORMED TODAY THAT THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT WAS BACKED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL THE PARTIES SINCE IT PROVED THE EXISTENCE OF FLAGRANT VIOLATIONS OF CONTITUTIONAL RIGHTS.

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#90348j0002 12/14/1990 ~Journal Graphics (TV show transcripts)

(DEC 14) JOURNAL GRAPHICS - Summarizing the previous day's television programs transcribed by Journal Graphics, Inc. Full transcripts available by fax or mail.

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Nightline (ABC) December 13, 1990 (Transcript #2494)

Jeremy Brooks -- Ten Years Old and Facing AIDS: A close look at the life of a ten-year-old child with AIDS and the intense anxiety, stress and love that his family and the medical personnel caring for him experience.

Primetime Live (ABC) December 13, 1990 (Transcript #171)

The Underground (Americans in hiding in Kuwait); Higher Education (An American women who attends a circus school in Europe); Los Ninos (Homeless Guatemalan children killed by police); Malled in America (A look at chain stores and fakelore).

Crossfire (CNN) December 13, 1990 (Transcript #203)

From One President to Another: Former Reagan political director Haley Barbour and former Carter Press Secretary Jody Powell discuss former Presidents Carter and Reagan in light of Carter's recent comments about Reagan in a TV interview.

Larry King Live (CNN) December 13, 1990 (Transcript #191)

Sexual Harassment in the Church: Rev. Carol Cole Flanagan, Rev. Jeff Johnson and Pam Sloper were harassed in attempting to become ministers. They debate the issue with a married Catholic priest and the president of Religious Roundtable.

Good Morning America (ABC) December 13, 1990 (Transcript #1174)

Food for the USSR; women and AIDS; Preserving Photos and Videos (Part 1); saving a whale; Winona Ryder; athletes and addiction; Christmas videos; gift cookbooks; Santa Lucia.

Oprah Winfrey Show December 13, 1990 (Transcript #1109)

Get Rich in 60 Minutes: Financial consultant Charles Givens, author of Wealth Without Risk and Financial Self-Defense, gives away some of his best secrets on using and saving your money.

Donahue December 13, 1990 (Transcript #3098)

Glenn Close -- A Truly Fatal Attraction: Glenn Close talks about her career and her film roles, particularly the recently released film Hamlet with Mel Gibson. She is joined by director Franco Zeffirelli and cast member Helena Bonham-Carter.

Sally Jessy Raphael December 13, 1990 (Transcript #594)

Quick Beauty Fixes (Repeat-#491): In-studio cosmetic surgery with Dr. Howard Sobel (collagen and saline injections); hair styles with Richard Penna; and fashion makeovers with cynthia Raffa ('Family Circle' fashion editor).

Geraldo December 13, 1990 (Transcript #846)

Female Inmates - Victimized and Violated (Repeat-#699): Dr. Peter Rutter, author of Sex in the Forbidden Zone, attorney Harry R. Reinhart, prison guard Theresa Creek and several women who were raped while in prison discuss their experiences.

Friday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Institutional Rape Sally Jessy Raphael: Holiday Fashion Show Geraldo: Secrets and Scandals of Hollywood's Leading Screen Stars Oprah Winfrey: Cher

#90348k0092 12/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 14) KYODO - THE CURRENT ECONOMIC BOOM IS NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO SURPASS JAPAN'S LONGEST POSTWAR PERIOD OF ECONOMIC EXPANSION, AS HIGHER INTEREST RATES HAVE PUT A DAMPER ON PERSONAL AND CORPORATE SPENDING, SUMITOMO BANK SAID FRIDAY.

THE BANK PROJECTED THE JAPANESE ECONOMY WILL GROW 3.6 PERCENT IN REAL TERMS IN FISCAL 1991, STARTING APRIL 1, 1991, AGAINST AN ESTIMATED EXPANSION OF 5.4 PERCENT FOR FISCAL 1990.

AFTER PEAKING OUT NEXT SPRING, ECONOMIC GROWTH IS EXPECTED TO LANGUISH, FAILING TO SURPASS THE RECORD 57-MONTH ECONOMIC EXPANSION FROM OCTOBER 1965 TO JULY 1970, DUBBED THE "IZANAGI" BOOM.

THE BANK SAID, HOWEVER, THAT SUPPORTED BY UNABATED INVESTMENT BY COMPANIES IN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (R&D) AND A DIVERSIFICATION IN PERSONAL SPENDING, THE ECONOMY WILL NOT SLOW TO THE POINT OF GOING INTO A SLUMP.

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#90348k0093 12/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 14) KYODO - A PRIVATE POLICY RESEARCH THINK TANK FRIDAY CALLED FOR THE FORMATION OF A PERMANENT PEACE-KEEPING FORCE DIRECTLY CONNECTED TO THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL WHICH JAPAN WOULD SUPPORT FINANCIALLY AND WITH PERSONNEL.

THE PROPOSAL CAME OUT OF DISCUSSIONS BY A GROUP OF JAPANESE POLITICAL SCIENTISTS AND POLICY CRITICS ON HOW JAPAN COULD CONTRIBUTE TO MULTINATIONAL EFFORTS TO KEEP WORLD PEACE AMID THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS.

UNDER THE PROPOSAL, THE PEACE-KEEPING FORCE WOULD BE COMPRISED OF VOLUNTEERS FROM A NUMBER OF NATIONS AND LIMITED TO SUCH NONMILITARY DUTIES AS OBSERVING CEASE-FIRES AND OVERSEEING ELECTIONS. THE FORCE MEMBERS WOULD CARRY FIREARMS WHEN NECESSARY.

UNLIKE THE U.N. PEACE-KEEPING SPECIAL FORCES ALREADY ESTABLISHED BY SOME NATIONS IN EUROPE AND IN CANADA, THE PROPOSED FORCE WOULD BE, FROM THE OUTSET, A UNITED NATIONS FORCE, THINK TANK MEMBERS SAID.

JAPANESE SELF-DEFENSE FORCES (SDF) PERSONNEL VOLUNTEERING FOR THE FORCE WOULD BE REQUIRED TO LEAVE THE SDF. A GOVERNMENT-PROPOSED U.N. PEACE COOPERATION BILL, WHICH WOULD HAVE ENABLED OVERSEAS DISPATCH OF SDF PERSONNEL, FAILED TO PASS THE DIET IN NOVEMBER.

UNDER THE PROPOSAL, JAPANESE PERSONNEL WOULD NUMBER BETWEEN 50 AND 500, TRAIN AT A PERMANENT TRAINING CENTER IN JAPAN, AND WOULD HAVE 90 PERCENT OF EXPENSES PAID BY THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT.

TOKYO UNIVERSITY POLITICAL SCIENTIST TAKASHI INOGUCHI, ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL AUTHORS OF THE PROPOSAL, SAID THE GROUP DID NOT PLAN TO INFLUENCE EFFORTS BY THE RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP) AND TWO OPPOSITION PARTIES TO FORGE A NEW POLICY FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO WORLD PEACEKEEPING ACTIVITIES. "THIS SETUP WILL SERVE JAPANESE SECURITY JUST AS THE SECURITY TREATY WITH THE UNITED STATES AND THE SELF-DEFENSE FORCES," INOGUCHI SAID.

FOLLOWING THE DEFEAT OF THE U.N. PEACE COOPERATION CORPS BILL IN NOVEMBER, THE LDP, KOMEITO, AND DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST PARTY AGREED TO WORK TOGETHER IN FORGING A NEW PEACE PLAN TO ALLOW THE OVERSEAS DISPATCH OF JAPANESE PERSONNEL TO JOIN U.N. PEACEKEEPING ACTIVITIES.

ANALYSTS SUGGEST THAT FRIDAY'S ANNOUNCEMENT MAY HAVE AN INFLUENCE ON FUTURE TRIPARTITE EFFORTS TO DRAFT A BILL ACCEPTABLE TO THE MAJORITY OF JAPANESE LEGISLATORS AND PEOPLE.

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#90348k0095 12/14/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NAGOYA (DEC. 14) KYODO - IMURAYA CONFECTIONERY CO. SAID FRIDAY IT HAS PURCHASED THE RIGHT FROM U.S. RESTAURANT CHAIN ANNA MILLERS INC. TO USE ITS TRADEMARK IN JAPAN FOR 3.4 MILLION DOLLARS.

IMURAYA HAS OPERATED THE RESTAURANT CHAIN, ANNA MILLERS, IN THE TOKYO METROPOLITAN AREA SINCE 1972 UNDER A LICENSE FROM THE U.S. RESTAURANT CHAIN OPERATOR.

IMURAYA SAID THE PURCHASE OF THE ANNA MILLERS TRADEMARK WILL ALLOW IT TO USE IT FOR BUSINESS OPERATIONS OTHER THAN THE RESTAURANT CHAIN BUSINESS.

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#90348m0001 12/14/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 14) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

The LABOR DEPARTMENT says the PRODUCER PRICE INDEX was up 0.5% in November - compared to a 1.1% increase in October and a 1.6% jump in September. The consensus expectation had been for a 0.1% increase in November.

The Nikkei average ended its seven-day advance by falling 293.47 or 1.2% on heavy volume. ... In London, the FT 100 INDEX is up 12 points in midday trading but shares of U.S. money center banks are sliding on a leaked Congressional report of severe problems in the banking insurance system, the FDIC. ... The dollar is trading marginally higher. ... The bond is trading sharply lower following the release of the PPI with long bonds yielding 8.17%. Brent North Sea crude oil is up 25 cents to $27.55. ... The COMMERCE

DEPARTMENT says retail sales were down 0.1% from October to November, the first decline since May but still a little better than analysts had expected. ... The 2,389 savings and loans still in private hands lost $631 million overall in the third quarter, compared to $302 million in the second quarter. ... Early December car and truck sales by the BIG THREE were up 22.1% ahead of last year, but still below what analysts consider healthy. ... WALT DISNEY CO. and the family of the late JIM HENSON have called off talks for Disney to acquire Henson Associates. RWE AG of Germany is buying VISTA CHEMICAL for $590 million. ... GTE is buying $600 million worth of cellular communications equipment from AT&T in one of the largest cellular purchases ever. ... KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT drops its hostile bid to take over KANSAS GAS AND ELECTRIC for 27 a share after KG&E arranged a friendly takeover by KPL GAS SERVICE at 32.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

Defense Secretary DICK CHENEY and General COLIN POWELL appear before the House Armed Services Committee today. ... MOTOROLA says it will produce its next generation of computer memory chips in a Japanese factory as part of a joint venture with TOSHIBA.

FROM THE BULLS:

"The public is becoming very selective at price levels," says JERRY MULLINS at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "I think we are headed for higher ground. There is some good strength behind this market." (WSJ, 12/14)

"The market overreacts sometimes," says THOMAS BASSO, president of TRENDSTAT CAPITAL MANAGEMENT in St. Louis. "Now the market is recovering from an overreaction to the Iraqi invasion. This type of slow and steady advance is the type that can be maintained. The main reason the advance continues is that people don't see it so it doesn't burn itself out. This type of advance doesn't catch everyone's attention so it keeps clicking along." ("Investor's Daily", 12/14)

FROM THE BEARS:

Beware of bear market rallies, says MARTIN PRING at "Asset Allocation Review." He sees virtually no industry group with a long term, positive trend in price or momentum, and suggests using strength to lower equities to 20% of a portfolio. Pring is, however, bullish on bonds: "Why purchase stocks when bonds are in a positive trend on all counts." Pring would put 50% of a portfolio in 30-year Treasuries. (CNBC "World Business" 12/14)

"We are vulnerable now for a correction because as we move closer to Jan. 15 the political tension issue will resurface," says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA at GRUNTAL & CO. "If the Fed pulls back from their efforts to ease ... that will keep the bond market under control. And lastly, we've got that old bugaboo -

the quarterly earnings coming out - and they won't be a good read. ... The market is trading in a range and this happens to be the upper end." He looks for the market to "work lower" until mid-1991. (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 12/13)

STOCK MARKET:

"Declining interest levels are making stocks look better in the long run, but the economy is looking worse in the short run," says JAMISON GRAF at ONE FEDERAL ASSET MANAGEMENT. "We want to see some more road signs." Meanwhile, he is reducing stock holdings modestly. He says "disastrous" fourth-quarter earnings reports that will come out in January add an element of danger to the market. (WSJ, 12/14)

"Right now, the profit takers won't let [the market] rally, but there is good underlying tone," says HOWARD BERL at MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. ("USA Today", 12/14)

"The market's getting impatient that the process of diplomacy isn't moving along," says JON GROVEMAN at LADENBURG THALMANN. "The longer we go on without some sort of talks, the closer we get to some sort of military confrontation." (WSJ, 12/14)

"The market's tolerance for negative news has improved dramatically over the last 30 days," says JOHN CONLON at ROTHSCHILD. "People have been very concerned over the Middle East. I think that's shifting to the outlook for interest rates, which is favorable. The Fed's got room for one more easing in the next couple of weeks." (NYT, 12/14)

"There are an enormous number of people [in Europe] who have gone out of the U.S. market and are very reluctant to come back," says MAYRI VOUTE, Paris-based managing director of CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INTERNATIONAL. "The mere mention of the dollar induces nausea." (WSJ, 12/14)

STOCK TIPS:

"Investors Daily" focuses on VENCOR INC. as its "Stock of the Week." This hospital services company which has created its own niche market has posted triple-digit profit gains in the past two quarters, and Wall Street expects continued strong growth. JOHN HINDELONG, health- care analyst at DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE SECURITIES CORP., notes that hospitals are benefiting from worries about the economy. "As investors are concerned about a recession, recession-resistant companies look better and better," he says. Niche, service companies such as Vencor, have "generally performed well." ("Investor's Daily", 12/14)

RUBBERMAID is featured in the "Heard on the Street" column of "The Wall Street Journal." The article says many analysts believe the company will make good on its promise to grow 15% a year, even during the recession. "It's a growth

situation," says PAMELA SINGLETON at MERRILL LYNCH. "I think they can continue the growth rates they had before," says PHILIP MULDOON of OHIO CO. "They're a very well-run company." But KIDDER PEABODY has downgraded the stock from a "buy" to a "hold" and analyst JEFFREY STEIN at McDONALD & CO. says Rubbermaid is a fine company, but it's stock is "overvalued." (WSJ, 12/14)

"The burden of proof remains on the bulls," says CHARLES CARSON at "Dow Theory Forecasts." Carson warns against inferring too much from daily market fluctuations which may be caused by the Mideast situation. "[There will be] losses for investors who chase these short-term moves." His rebound selection is WALLACE COMPUTER, where he thinks profit growth will eventually return to a double-digit pace. (CNBC "World Business", 12/14)

"Insurance stocks are a classic way to play the outlook for falling interest rates," writes BEAR STEARNS in its current newsletter to investors. The report says "another big decline in rates would be a major boon to these companies" and suggests stocks with limited exposure to real estate, mortgage loans and junk bonds. It recommends insurance brokers like MARSH & McLENNAN and casualty insurers like AIG. (NYT, 12/14)

"We are very excited about communications companies - whether they be cellular or cable or in particular companies like GTE that have a big, strong regional dominance, a high dividend payout and consistent growth prospects," says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA at GRUNTAL & CO. "We are enamored with pharmaceutical companies. They are consistent growers. for new aircraft continues to mount. It's a renewal of the whole fleet, essentially, worldwide." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/13)

DAN DORFMAN gets 10 stock pickers to list their favorite investment for 1991 in his annual feature in "USA Today." The 10 recommendations are WAHLCO ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS; CENTREX TELEMAGEMENT, McDONNEL DOUGLAS, VICORP RESTAURANTS, SP500 DEC. 325 PUT OPTION; MEDCO CONTAINMENT, INTEL CORP., VANGUARD CELLULAR, OFFICE DEPOT and CML GROUP. ("USA Today", 12/14)

TOYS R US dropped 1 1/8 to 23 1/2 yesterday on heavy volume. SALOMON BROTHERS analyst JACK SEIBALD lowered his 1990 and 1991 estimates for the toy retailer, citing increased competition and expectations that the economic outlook for next year will be worse than many expect, with weak consumer spending lasting late into the year. Seibald cut his 1990 estimate to $1.12 a share from $1.25 and his 1991 outlook to $1.35 a share from $1.50. His rating for the company is "neutral." ("Investor's Daily", 12/14)

TOSCO's oil refining capacity make the company one of the better energy plays, says MICHAEL CARTY, senior portfolio manager for VALUE LINE. "Crude oil supplies are adequate ... but refining capacity in this country and worldwide is being taxed to the limit," says Carty. "If anything goes wrong ... we will not have enough refined product. Tosco will take advantage of that and is expected to have very large, year-over-year, earnings gains." (CNBC "Market

Watch", 12/13)

Even though she and her clients are not keen on the U.S. stock market in general these days, MAYRI VOUTE, director of CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INTERNATIONAL in France, does have a few U.S. favorite stocks. They include MEDTRONIC, SCI MED and JOHNSON & JOHNSON in health-care, all the "Baby Bell" regional telephone companies and RAYTHEON and LORAL in defense. (WSJ, 12/14)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 14) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"I think probably toward the end of this month or at the latest early January, the Fed will [ease] another notch," says DAVID JONES, chief economist at AUBREY G. LANSTON. That would drop the funds rate to 7% from 7 1/4%, down from 8 1/4% in early July. "There's going to be a program of easing - this economy is in trouble." (CNN "Business Morning", 12/14)

"An overbought bond market incurred a mild correction," observes JOHN LONSKI, senior economist at MOODY'S INVESTOR SERVICES. "In reaction to new data that didn't confirm expectations of a severe recession, investors bid the price of Treasury bonds lower in late trading." He also notes that higher oil prices overcame the favorable implications of another dip in commodities prices which also dampened bond investor enthusiasm. ("Investor's Daily", 12/14)

"The [bond] market is coming into the end of December in a very overbought situation," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "That heightens the desire to take profits now, because activity is likely to thin out in the next week or so." JAMES CAPRA at SHEARSON LEHMAN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES observes: "The economic numbers allowed people to shift the focus back to the Middle East, where we still have problems. Combine that with a little bit of profit-taking and we were ripe for some sort of sell-off." (NYT, 12/14)

THE ECONOMY:

A leaked Congressional report states that the government may have to support the FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION with taxpayer dollars, but one economist does not see this as a major problem. "The government is backing up the savings and loan industry, essentially shifting from private finance to government finance. That is in effect what we'll be doing here" in the banking industry, says DAVID JONES of AUBREY G. LANSTON. "And in effect that will be a prop under the economy and the banking industry; a very necessary one, but a lot of politics in the process." (CNN "Business Day", 12/14)

"Non-durable sales were up, fairly strongly, and clothing sales were up probably even higher than gasoline sales in the month of November [but] I think a lot of that increase in clothing sales is related to increased promotion more than increased consumer demand," says JANET MANGANO at JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL & CO. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/13)

"So far in this recession, if you date the recession from July, the decline in employment in retail trade is at a 2.5% annual rate," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "It's a huge decline in retail employment as compared to previous recessions. any cheer. It's still important to keep your money in your mattress and your powder dry." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/13)

"While the market was expecting a weaker [retail sales] number, this report is hardly good news," says economist CHARLES LIEBERMAN at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER SECURITIES. (NYT, 12/14)

"I'm expecting department and speciality stores to have the worst Christmas in the past seven years," says PHILIP BROUS, professor of retailing at COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY and former chief executive of FOXMOOR SPECIALTY STORES INC. "And after those numbers come out, I think there will be a major shakeout in January." Brous foresees layoffs far exceeding the bloodbath at department stores in 1988 and 1989. He expects weak retail sales to continue into 1991. ("Investor's Daily", 12/14)

IN WASHINGTON:

The FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION says it wants to reimpose price control on some cable television operators, but the plan adopted yesterday is so vaguely worded, industry leaders are uncertain how it would work. "We have only the vaguest notion as to what the commission is going to throw out as a proposal, much less what the will finally adopt," says JACK GOODMAN of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BROADCASTERS. JAMES MOONEY of the NATIONAL CABLE TELEVISION ASSOCIATION says, "However moderate the intentions of the FCC, this proposal raises the prospect of the government inhibiting the future development of cable programming by crimping its economic lifeblood." ("The Washington Post", 12/14)

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FREMONT, CA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Peak Systems, Inc. announced today that it has filed a legal complaint against Applied Materials, Inc. (NASDAQ: AMAT) in the California Superior Court. The complaint alleges violation of several key elements of a corporate partnering agreement which was signed in September 1989.

According to Peak's president and CEO, Timothy Stultz, the partnering agreement with Applied was the foundation for a broad-based strategic alliance which entailed the adaptation of Peak's proprietary RTP technology to Applied's cluster tool systems. This alliance also addressed co-marketing of these products as well as co-development and marketing of future products.

Peak officials report that discussions with Applied on these and related matters have failed to produce an equitable solution. "The legal action has been initiated to ensure that they don't use our proprietary technology and to bring about an acceptable resolution on the balance of the issues," stated Stultz.

About Peak Systems: Peak was founded in 1983 to pursue innovative product solutions for industrial thermal processing requirements. The company is a leading supplier of Rapid Thermal Processing (RTP) equipment to the semiconductor industry, providing fully automated, stand-alone systems as well as modules for cluster tools. In addition, Peak's wholly owned subsidiary, Aktis Corporation, focuses on equipment development for the growing flat panel display (FPD) market. Peak's product focus is to utilize their proprietary radiant heating technologies to provide enabling process capabilities and enhanced productivity. A privately held company, Peak is headquartered in Fremont, Calif., and distributes its products through an international network of direct representatives, manufacturers' representatives and distributors.

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HERNDON, VA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Air Force named C3 to provide comprehensive on-call maintenance and repair support for all Zenith commercial electronic equipment located at Yokota Air Base in Japan. The contract covers a wide range of computers and peripherals and is expected to generate more than $400,000 in billings over the three-year period of performance.

According to Kirk McQuay, senior vice president of customer services for the Herndon-based systems integrator: "This contract represents another step in our growing capability as a global provider of electronics maintenance services. C3 currently provides maintenance support at more than 70 major government and commercial locations around the world."

The latest Air Force award is an addition to C3's existing on-call maintenance contract, which covers all Zenith TEMPEST equipment at Yokota AB.

C3, Inc. is a major supplier of custom systems integration and maintenance services to the Department of Defense, other government agencies, and commercial customers. The 22-year-old firm specializes in developing,

integrating and maintaining mini and microcomputer products and systems geared to specialized applications.

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#90348p3230 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHATSWORTH, CA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Diodes Inc. (AMEX: DIO), a full-line semiconductor rectifier supplier, today announced sales and operating results for the second quarter and six months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Results for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 show revenues of $4,002,529, a 28 percent increase over revenues of $3,129,133 recorded for the corresponding quarter of the prior fiscal year. Net earnings showed a loss of $27,812 or 1 cent per share, compared with a net profit of $58,484 or 2 cents per share for the prior year. Management attributes the loss to the effect of a one-time charge of $357,620 associated with termination benefits due a former chief executive over the next two years. The cost of these benefits was recorded as an expense in the second quarter. But for this one-time charge, net earnings would have been 7 cents per share for the second quarter of fiscal 1991.

Results for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, show revenues of $7,736,267, an increase of 22 percent over revenues of $6,331,724 recorded for the corresponding six months of the prior fiscal year. Net earnings were $177,806 or 4 cents per share, compared with $76,474 or 2 cents per share for the prior year. But for the one- time charge discussed above, net earnings would have been 12 cents per share for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Hurley stated: "I am very gratified that, as expected, we have been able to sustain the growth in revenues shown in the prior quarter's sales figures. We expect this trend to continue."

CONTACT: Chris Jensen, treasurer, Diodes Inc., 818-882-4920

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ATLANTA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First National Bancorp (NASDAQ: FBAC), a Gainesville-based, 11-bank, north Georgia holding company, has authorized a special fourth quarter provision to the loan loss reserve of $6,250,000.

In making the announcement, Bancorp CEO and Chairman Ray McRae noted that "this special provision is our response to the continued softening in the north Georgia economy and will enable First National Bancorp to maintain our position of strength by increasing our reserves against possible loan losses in the future. This addition increases our loan loss reserves to a record

1.76 percent of loans outstanding (not including mortgage loans held for sale), giving us a much more comfortable level of reserves as we enter the uncertainties of 1991."

Reporting on other indicators, McRae noted that First National Bancorp's return on average assets for the year will be approximately 1.18 percent, which compares favorably with industry standards. Bancorp's primary capital position is projected to be at $161 million at year end, a 12 percent increase over Dec. 31, 1989, and a significant 10.19 percent of assets.

In other Bancorp news, the company's previously announced cash dividend of 18 cents per share will be mailed on Jan. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 14. Dividends declared in 1990 totaled 69 cents per share, up 18.97 percent over the 58 cents declared in 1989. This is in keeping with Bancorp's continued policy of increasing cash dividends a minimum of 18 percent each year.

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#90348p3235 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Customers of National City Bank who are called to active military service will be provided substantial relief on loan payment requirements under a newly-announced policy of the bank.

"The Soldiers and Sailors Relief Act requires that the interest on loans to military personnel, entered into prior to induction, be reduced to six percent " said John V. White, Jr., senior vice president, retail lending division.

"We are going a step further and offering the customer the option of also reducing payments commensurate with the six percent rate," he explained.

For example, an installment loan of $10,000 at 13.5 percent for 60 months would require a monthly payment of $230. The rate of interest would automatically be reduced to six percent upon submission to the bank of certification of the callup.

"The customer could continue to make a monthly payment of $230, thereby accelerating repayment of the loan, since more of the payment would be going to the principal," said White.

"The option we are providing is a reduction in the monthly payment," White explained. "In the example, that reduction would result in a payment of $193.32, a savings of $36.68 a month."

National City's policy applies to all retail loans, said White, including

credit cards, installment loans, home equity lines of credit and mortgage loans.

In the case of a home mortgage, the typical interest savings on a $75,000 mortgage balance, reduced to six percent from ten percent, would be $250 on the first monthly payment. The savings would decrease as the balance decreases.

In the case of a credit card account, National City transfers the current balance to a new account at six percent interest. Charge privileges would be available on the old account subject to the standard interest rates and with a reduced credit line.

A $1,000 balance in the new six percent account would result in a monthly savings in the first month of $9.78, reflecting the difference between interest at 17.9 percent ($14.71) and six percent ($4.93).

Equity Reserve accounts, which are a variable rate revolving credit secured by a real estate mortgage, would be similarly treated. These accounts have a current annual percentage rate of 11.5 percent and require a minimum payment of two percent of the balance.

The rate reduction, on a $10,000 equity reserve balance for example, would result in monthly interest savings of $45.83, which would go to reducing the principal balance. Any new advances from the line of credit would be subject to the standard rate of interest.

"The savings provided to the customer by the interest rate reduction is not recoverable by the bank under the law," White stated.

CONTACT: David W. Talbott, vice president of National City Bank, 216-575-2512.

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#90348p3238 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation's engineering services unit, CMS Engineering, has been invited by the municipal gas utility and a large engineering firm in Sao Paulo, Brazil, to participate in a major gas conversion project. Sao Paulo, the world's third-largest city with a 1985 population of 14,911,000, is in the process of converting from manufactured gas to natural gas for heating, cooking and other residential and commercial uses.

Representatives from CMS Engineering met recently with officials from COPLASA, the Sao Paulo engineering firm, and COMGAS, the city's natural gas distribution utility, to discuss the conversion project. CMS Engineering's role in the conversion involves its expertise in engineering, marketing, and market research, including demand projection analysis. Approximately 10 CMS

Engineering employees will participate in the project, expected to last through 1991.

"We are pleased to be selected by the Sao Paulo companies to participate in this extensive conversion project," said Michael G. Morris, executive vice president of natural gas and marketing for Consumers Power Company, CMS Energy's principal subsidiary.

Consumers Power converted its distribution network from manufactured gas to natural gas during the 1930s and 1940s. This successful transition, and CMS Energy's unique role in converting the Midland Cogeneration Venture from an idled nuclear plant to the nation's largest gas-fired cogeneration facility, were factors in Sao Paulo's selection of Michigan-based CMS Engineering.

Sao Paulo developed a manufactured gas system in the early 1900s for streetlighting and to meet increasing population and commercial heating demand. Manufactured gas in Sao Paulo is created through a native supply of naptha gas. Natural gas, significantly cleaner than manufactured gas, was discovered offshore Brazil in the early 1980s. COMGAS has approximately 440,000 manufactured gas billing accounts in Sao Paulo, the majority of which are expected to switch to natural gas by 1993.

COMGAS estimates that the cost of Brazilian-supplied natural gas "will be considerably lower as compared with manufactured gas."

CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS) is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services. CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth-largest combination utility.

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#90348p3243 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - ATI Medical Inc. (AMEX: ATI) registered a 13 percent gain in revenues for its first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 although profitability was impacted by temporary external factors.

ATI posted revenues of $12,998,800 for the recently concluded three-month period, compared with $11,505,800 in last year's first quarter. The company reported a quarterly net loss of $290,800, or 5 cents per share, compared with net income of $792,364, or 15 cents per share, in last year's first quarter.

Paul E. Stevenson, president and chief executive officer, said the loss reflected competitive price pressures in certain markets aggravated by reduced

volume during September in response to threatened healthcare cutbacks in the federal budget. Volume improved dramatically in October following a Congressional decision to keep that funding intact.

Despite these temporary factors, Stevenson expects ATI to resume profitability in the next quarter with gains from its newly launched Americare(sm) subsidiary. The company's future performance should benefit from its planned February entry into the home infusion therapy market. ATI plans to supply intravenous products for this potential $2 billion market.

ATI Medical rents medical equipment primarily to hospitals as well as the entertainment industry through a total of 55 offices in major cities across the country. ATI also sells medical equipment and certain disposables and markets, through its subsidiary, CAMS Inc., a software system to monitor equipment usage within hospitals. The new Americare subsidiary provides medical equipment for rental through exclusive home health care dealers covering 100 markets nationwide.

ATI MEDICAL INC.
Statement of Earnings
(in thousands, except share data)

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989
Total net revenues	$12,998,800	$11,505,810
Costs and expenses	$13,475,500	$10,245,620
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	($476,700)	$1,260,190
Income tax expense (benefit)	($185,900)	$467,826
Net earnings (loss)	($290,800)	$792,364
Net earnings per share (loss)	($.05)	$.15
Weighted average number of common shares (assuming no dilution)	5,359,680	5,347,250

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#90348p3249 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLARKSBURG, WV (DEC. 6) PR NEWSWIRE - Winfield Industries' executives and scientists today announced a new technology for solving the growing medical waste problem which is expected to save U.S. health care providers millions of dollars.

Representatives of the San Diego-based manufacturing company made the announcement while opening their new $10 million production facility in the

West Virginia Life Science Center, a medical industrial park in central West Virginia.

The technological process, which disintegrates and sanitizes medical waste, is expected to provide immediate benefits to hospitals under increased scrutiny of governmental regulators and environmental groups.

The newly developed process mechanically disintegrates medical waste with controlled shredding and granulation. The resulting "mulch" is automatically washed and sanitized with a liquid disinfectant.

After wastes have been disintegrated, disinfected and deodorized, a de-watering process is used to recycle recovered disinfectant. Independent laboratory testing confirms the effectiveness of the disinfectant against infectious agents.

Before processing, collection bags are electronically scanned to make sure that proper special bags are used and the waste contains no inadvertently discarded metal instruments or radioactive isotopes.

During treatment, a non-toxic dye tints processed material to provide visual indication that it has been treated. Wash temperature and disinfectant concentration are automatically monitored and controlled at effective levels. Any deviation from correct operating conditions is electronically sensed and indicated on the machine's control panel.

Callicoat noted that Winfield Industries decided to develop a new technology when the company was unable to find an existing process or emerging technology that was simple, environmentally sound, safe and cost effective.

Although these hazardous substances can be trapped by scrubbers, community concerns about emissions have made permitting difficult, if not impossible.

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#90348p3250 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Employee Benefit Plans, Inc., (OTC: EBPI) was advised today by Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. and Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated, the representatives of the underwriters in the company's November 1990 public offering, that they have released the selling shareholders participating in the public offering and the company's officers and directors from agreements restricting the public resale of 1,991,084 shares of common stock of the company. To the extent such shares are held by nonaffiliates of the company or are distributed to nonaffiliates, such shares will be available for immediate public resale without restriction. Any shares

held by affiliates of the company will be available for public resale subject to the volume limitations of Rule 144.

Employee Benefit Plans, Inc., headquartered in Minneapolis, provides an integrated program of managed healthcare services to employers that self-fund their benefit programs. The company is one of the largest managed healthcare companies in the United States, with approximately 1,800 single employer clients nationwide representing approximately 1.5 million employees and dependents.

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#90348p3252 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Reliance Capital Group, L.P., an investment partnership managed by a subsidiary of Reliance Group Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: REL), announced today that it intends to purchase up to 500,000 shares of common stock of Telemundo Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: TLMD). The shares will be purchased from time to time in the open market, depending on market conditions.

As of Oct. 31, 1990, Reliance Capital Group, together with Reliance Insurance Company, a subsidiary of Reliance Group Holdings, controlled about 28.8 million shares of Telemundo common stock, or 78 percent of the approximately 36.9 million shares outstanding.

Telemundo Group, Inc., headquartered in New York City, operates a nationwide network of Spanish language television stations, reaching approximately 80 percent of all Hispanic households in the United States. Telemundo has annual revenues of over $100 million.

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#90348p3257 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANTON, OHIO (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Diebold, Incorporated (NYSE: DBD) today announced that it has completed the purchase of certain assets of International Busienss Machines Corporation's (NYSE: IBM) automated teller machine (ATM) service business, including ATM maintenance agreements and service parts inventories required to support the installed base of IBM ATMs in the United States. Terms were not disclosed.

Robert W. Mahoney, Diebold's chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We are pleased to ahve finalized this acquisition which is expected to increase Diebold customer service revenue by approximately 10 percent after the transition period. The transition not only enhances the importance of our

servicing organization, it also fits perfectly into our strategic growth plan."

William W.K. Rich, IBM vice president and president, Services Sector Division, said, "Diebold is committed to quality service, and we are confident that our customers will be well served by this transaction. We expect a smooth integration of IBM customers into Diebold's service program, which is centralized through its Customer Response Center."

The service transition period will last approximately nine months, during which time Diebold's service professionals will be thoroughly certified isntructors on IBM service procedures and parts.

Diebold, Incorporated is a world leader in the automation of self- service transactions, security products, software and service for these systems. Diebold's 2,300 service professionals in 400 North American locations service more than 50,000 customers. Service support also includes current and future products of InterBold(TM), the recently announced ATM joint venture of Diebold and IBM. Headquartered in Canton, Ohio, Diebold maintains offices worldwide.

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#90348p3259 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODLAND HILLS, CA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Perceptronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: PERC) today announced its subcontract as a member of the Loral Defense Systems team for the SOF ATS (Special Operations Forces Aircrew Training System) Program will total approximately $6.6 million over 22 months for work currently underway.

Future options could approximate $18.6 million, bringing the total subcontract to $25.2 million over six years. Perceptronics' work on the program began about four months ago.

The SOF ATS Program is to provide aircrew training and mission rehearsal capabilities for up to seven different U.S. Air Force Special Operations Forces aircraft. Perceptronics' role is in the development and production of reconfigurable simulator systems. The Loral Program Team is made up of several aerospace and defense companies, each of which has demonstrated world class leadership in its field.

Perceptronics is engaged in research and system development - primarily for the Department of Defense - and in the manufacture and marketing of low-cost, intelligent computer-based systems for training, simulation, and decision support.

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#90348p3263 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEMPHIS, TN (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Perkins Family Restaurants, L.P. (NYSE: PFR) announced today that it has declared a cash distribution for the fourth quarter ending December 31, 1990 in the amount of 30 cents per limited partnership unit, payable on February 15, 1991 to unitholders of record as of the close of business on December 31, 1990.

Perkins Family Restaurants, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, currently operates 113 Perkins Family Restaurants and franchises an additional 285 restaurants in 29 states and Canada.

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#90348p3264 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE BUENA VISTA, FL (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Mickey Mouse is planning to spread some holiday cheer among the families of service personnel from Florida bases deployed through Operation Desert Shield. He is rolling out the welcome mat to the Walt Disney World Magic Kingdom for service personnel's spouses and children.

"In a small way we hope that we can provide a little joy," said Walt Disney Attractions President Dick Nunis, "at a time when, we realize, what the families want more than anything else in the world is their loved ones home for the holidays."

The families wil be able to enjoy a day in the Magic Kingdom between Dec. 15 and Dec. 23 and receive family pictures, holiday cookies and punch at a special hospitality center in the Magic Kingdom. There'll be holiday candy courtesy of M&M/Mars Company and, through the cooperation of AT&T, families will be able to send greetings to the Middle East with "Desert Fax."

Families also are being offered a complimentary room night in Walt Disney World Resort hotels between Dec. 15 and Dec. 22.

Walt Disney World is coordinating the family holiday party through Florida military bases. Families should contact their base for information.

CONTACT: Walt Disney World Press & Publicity department, 407-824-4531.

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#90348p3265 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODBRIDGE, NJ (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - SMG-II announced today that it has extended to midnight, New York City time, on Friday, Dec. 28, 1990 its previously announced offers to purchase up to $155,500,000 principal amount of the 13-1/8 percent junior subordinated debentures due 2003 of Supermarkets General Holdings Corporation and up to 1,700,000 shares of the cumulative exchangeable redeemable preferred stock of Supermarkets.

The offers previously had been scheduled to expire at midnight, New York City time, on Dec. 13, 1990. SMG-II's offer to exchange one share of its Class A common stock for each share of Supermarkets' Class A common stock and one share of its Class B common stock for each share of Supermarkets' Class B common stock has also been extended until midnight, New York City time, on Friday, Dec. 28, 1990.

SMG-II has been informed by the depositary for the offers that, as of midnight New York City time, on Dec. 13, 1990, $31,025,868 principal amount of junior debentures has been tendered pursuant to the junior debenture offer (including $5,637,892 principal amount of junior debentures that had been tendered subject to guaranteed deliveries) and 642,889 shares of preferred stock had been tendered pursuant to the preferred stock offer (including 288,686 shares of preferred stock that had been tendered subject to guaranteed deliveries).

Approximately 36.6 percent of the outstanding shares of Supermarkets common stock had been tendered pursuant to the exchange offer as of the close of business on Dec. 13, 1990.

SMG-II has been advised by holders of an additional 63.1 percent of the outstanding shares of Supermarkets common stock that such holders expect to tender their shares in the exchange offer prior to Dec. 28, 1990.

One of the conditions of the obligation of SMG-II to purchase securities tendered pursuant to the offers is that SMG-II shall have obtained sufficient financing to enable it to acquire the maximum amount of securities tendered for by it in the offers and to pay for fees, expenses and other costs (including tax liabilities) incurred in connection with the offers and related transactions.

SMG-II is currently engaged in negotiations with institutional investors, including the institutional investors identified in the offers to purchase dated Nov. 15, 1990 relating to the offers, regarding the purchase by such institutional investors of shares of SMG-II cumulative convertible preferred stock to provide such financing. No assurance can be given by SMG-II that it will be able to obtain the financing necessary to satisfy such condition.

CONTACT: Harvey Gutman of SMG-II Holdings, (201) 499-3203.

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#90348p3267 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 13) PR NEWSWIRE - In a presentation to the Bank & Financial Analysts Association in New York this afternoon, management of Society Corporation (NASDAQ: SOCI) commented on the status of the examination of its subsidiary national banks by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC). Robert W. Gillespie, chairman and CEO of Society, explained that holding company management had met with the OCC Examiner-in-Charge of Society Corporation's national bank subsidiaries (primarily Society National Bank, Cleveland, the corporation's lead bank, and Society Bank, N.A., Dayton). During the meeting the examiner's preliminary report was discussed. After review by OCC regional headquarters in Chicago, the findings will be presented to the banks' boards of directors after the first of the year.

Gillespie said, "The examination has produced no surprises and management will be taking no specific actions regarding charge-offs or additions to the allowance for loan losses or nonperforming loan categories as a result. Obviously we were pleased to have our evaluation of the loan portfolio confirmed. However, we all know the economy has been deteriorating for several months. Our asset quality monitoring process has resulted in several credits, principally loans in the commercial real estate portfolio, being downgraded under our internal grading system. This suggests to us that it will be prudent to continue our program of adding to our loss reserve in an orderly, planned fashion."

Commenting on the outlook for 1991, Gillespie indicated that the slowing Midwest economy will lead to lower levels of loan growth in addition to the credit-quality concerns. Gillespie said, "In the current environment, there is no question that our ability to control costs will be a major determinant of our ability to attain a 10th consecutive year of earnings per share improvement in 1991."

In his part of the presentation, James W. Wert, CFO of Society, reported on programs designed to reduce annual noninterest expenses by at least $40 million by the end of 1992. Wert noted that current plans call for realizing approximately $20 million of such savings in 1991. Wert said, "Our program is off to an excellent start. I am confident we will succeed in reaching our goal of at least $40 million as new phases take effect."

Contact: John Fuller of Society Corporation, 216-689-8140

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#90348p3268 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MICH. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation's (NYSE: CMS) oil and gas exploration unit, NOMECO Oil & Gas Co., has announced two successful confirmation wells at High Island, South Addition, Block 523, one of NOMECO's 23 Federal Outer Continental Shelf tracts in the Gulf of Mexico.

The first successful confirmation well encountered 77 feet of net pay over an interval of from 9,538 feet to 9,964 feet. The well was not tested. The second successful confirmation well has been tested at 200 barrels of oil per day and 5 million cubic feet of natural gas per day from a depth of 9,041 feet to 9,060 feet. A third unsuccessful well was also drilled.

The confirmation wells follow a discovery well, previously announced, drilled to a depth of 11,652 feet, which encountered 83 feet of net oil and natural gas pay in three Pleistocene sands over an interval from 10,900 feet to 11,400 feet.

Production is expected to commence late in 1991 or early in 1992. NOMECO's working interest in the wells is 25 percent. Its partners in the joint venture are The Louisiana Land & Exploration Company (NYSE: LLX), Equitable Resources Energy Company, and NERCO Oil & Gas, Inc. The Louisiana Land & Exploration Company is the operator.

NOMECO, Michigan's largest independent oil and gas producer, is engaged in exploration and/or production activities in 14 states and seven foreign countries.

CMS Energy Corporation is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services. CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth- largest combination utility.

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, 517-788-2396

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#90348p3269 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIALEAH, FLA. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - S.O.I. Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: LAMP) announced the board of directors of the company had approved a plan for the possible repurchase of up to 500,000 shares of its common stock. Purchases may be made from time to time at prevailing market prices.

According to Donald E. Courtney, chairman, the company's board felt the stock was attractive for possible repurchase at present levels.

CONTACT: Donald E. Courtney of S.O.I. Industries, Inc., 305-835-2214

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#90348p3271 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

FULLERTON, CA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Germany has awarded a $5.75 million contract to Hughes Aircraft Co. for new air traffic control equipment to be

installed primarily in sites formerly in East Germany.

Hughes, a subsidiary of GM Hughes Electronics, will supply 36 TracView systems for use in airport towers and approach control units under the contract to Bundesanstalt fur Flugsicherung, the German procurement agency.

The TracView system provides air traffic controllers with a real-time, full-color digitized display of aircraft detected by multiple radars feeding into the towers and centers.

When connected to the existing German Flight Data Processing System, TracView will provide automated identification/beacon code correlation and networked beacon code allocation. TracView will replace existing old equipment to provide new capabilities.

The system runs on Hughes proprietary software, derived from its proven air traffic control library, and operates on commercial off-the-shelf, cost-efficient computers and raster scan displays.

Seven TracView systems will be installed in the Leipzig Tower and approach control units and three will be installed in the Dresden Tower and approach control units, both located in the former German Democratic Republic. Two systems will be installed in the Saarbrucken Tower, in what was West Germany.

The Hughes TracView systems will draw sensor data from a wide range of old and new radars built by Western and Eastern Bloc companies, including a new Polish-built AVIA-D radar serving the Dresden Tower.

For some of the radars, Hughes also will supply modern radar extractors for the conversion of raw radar data into digital form. The schedule calls for the systems at the three sites to be operational by the end of March 1991.

The remaining 24 systems will be installed in five additional towers, approach control units and a training facility following completion of site surveys. The remaining sites will be operational by mid-1991.

Hughes TracView systems have been operational as flight following units in the Saarbrucken Tower and the Vancouver Tower in British Columbia, Canada formost of 1990.

CONTACT: Dan Reeder of Hughes, (714) 732-4631.

-30- 2438

#90348p3277 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Repap Enterprises Inc. has decided to suspend its fourth quarter dividend on subordinate and multiple voting shares in view of the current uncertain outlook for the North

American economy. As the economic outlook improves, it is the company's intention to reinstate the dividend at the earliest opportunity.

Repap Enterprises Inc. is a fully integrated North American coated paper and pulp company with coated paper operations in New Brunswick, Canada, and Wisconsin, U.S., market pulp mills in British Columbia and in New Brunswick, and a kraft paper mill in Manitoba.

CONTACT: Kathleen V. Cornish of Repap Enterprises, (514) 879-1316.

-30- 858

#90348p3281 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

STERLING, VA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Radiation Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: RADS), today announced that it formed a new division. The Precision Controls Division will develop a line of control systems used for antenna pointing and tracking of communication satellites and will be located in Richardson, Texas.

Richard E. Thomas, chairman and chief executive officer of Radiation Systems, Inc. (RSi), said that the new division will be headed by Ralph N. White, former manager of the Control Systems Division of Electrospace Systems, Inc. Thomas said that Radiation Systems is extremely fortunate to have White as the leader of the new division because he is one of the most respected people in the field of servo engineering. His reputation among customers and technical expertise immediately gives Radiation Systems recognition in the field.

Precision Controls Division initially includes four equally qualified engineers: Charles C. Huey, Thomas J. Scanio, Kevin B. Keough and Bobby L. Schroeder. These five employees will form the nucleus of the new division. Their extensive, combined experience represents over 80 years of successfully addressing the market of precision control of large dynamic structures. As the development proceeds and contracts are awarded, the division is expected to grow to approximately 15 employees, mostly technical, by the end of RSi's fiscal year (June 30).

Thomas also stated that he is excited about the addition of this capability to RSi's antenna systems products. The Precision Controls Division will add a significant component to the continued vertical integration of RSi's satellite system capability while also offering the general market the highest quality servo control system.

Radiation Systems, Inc. designs, manufactures and installs a broad range of antenna systems for radar, air traffic control, tactical military, satellite earth stations, terrestrial microwave and other specialized uses throughout the world.

CONTACT: Richard E. Thomas, chairman and CEO, or Mark D. Funston, vice president finance, Radiation Systems, Inc., 703-450-5680

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#90348p3282 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORCROSS, GA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Colorocs Corporation (NASDAQ: CLRX), a designer and distributor of plain-paper, full-color copiers and printers, announced today that it has entered into an agreement with Mega Credit Guarantee.

The arrangement is for up to $20 million in letters of credit and other financings for expanding sales to OEMs (original equipment manufacturers), and for purchasing machines for its cost-per-copy program and for expansion into the European market.

Colorocs also reported that revenues for the first quarter of 1991 are expected to be less than $5.0 million because its primary OEMs, Savin Corporation and HCS Technology N.V., have not ordered units for first quarter 1991. As previously reported, Colorocs expects to deliver more than $10 million in copiers and printers to Savin and HCS in the fourth quarter of 1990.

Charles Muench, president of Colorocs, said, "We believe Colorocs and our private label customers are experiencing softer demand because of the uncertain economic environment. In addition, our ability to sell copiers has been adversely affected by our inability to finance sales. We believe our new financing arrangements with Mega Credit Guarantee will permit us to increase our sales and cost-per-copy program.

"In 1990, Colorocs copiers have had a high level of acceptance in the marketplace. More than 50 percent of the color copiers installed in the U.S. and Australia in 1990 use Colorocs' technology. This market share data is based on Dataquest's estimate that a total of 11,000 units were installed in the U.S. this year."

As 1991 progresses, Muench noted, Colorocs believes its major customers will resume copier and printer orders. "New financing available to some of our customers should aid in this process. Notwithstanding the economic environment the color hard copy market is a new industry that is projected to grow significantly in 1991."

He also noted that sales of the company's plain-paper, full-color printer to OEM and VAR (value added resellers) customers are expected to be strong based on the interest exhibited at the recent Comdex show.

In addition to the Colorocs booth, Aldus Corporation and National Semiconductor each had a Colorocs printer for demonstration in their booths. More than 2,000 inquiries by printer customers, both end-users and resellers, were obtained at the show.

CONTACT: Deborah Cox of Colorocs, (404) 840-6500; or Alexander Ross of Cameron Associates, Inc., (212) 683-4545, for Colorocs.

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#90348p3285 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Winthrop Insured Mortgage Investors II (AMEX: WMI), A Limited Partnership (the "Fund"), today declared a fourth quarter distribution of 30 cents per Assignee Unit. The distribution will be paid by the Fund on Jan. 15, 1991, to Unitholders of record as of Dec. 31, 1990. The Fund's units trade on the American Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "WMI". The general partners are affiliates of Winthrop Financial Associates, A Limted Partnership, a Boston-based real estate investment firm.

CONTACT: Doris Kelly of Winthrop, 617-330-8600, ext. 8164

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#90348p3287 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Society National Bank was recently honored by Cleveland Action to Support Housing (C.A.S.H.) for having underwritten the most new residential construction loans within the city of Cleveland last year. The award was presented at the annual C.A.S.H. awards program in November.

This is the second consecutive year that Society National Bank has been honored by the organization. In 1988, C.A.S.H. presented Society with two awards: the first for underwriting the most new construction loans, and the second for underwriting the most total loans from 1982-88, which included rehabilitation loans through the Mortage Loan Department and consumer loans.

According to Henry L. Meyer III, president, Society National Bank, "Society has taken an aggressive role in reinvesting in Cleveland neighborhoods. Working with organizations like C.A.S.H., we remain committed to our communities by helping to both rehabilitate and construct homes within our cities."

C.A.S.H. was established in 1978 with the purpose of stabilizing Cleveland neighborhoods. A partnership was formed composed of city government, community organizations and local lenders to provide housing rehabilitation assistance to eligible homeowners.

Society National Bank is the lead bank of Society Corporation, (NASDAQ: SOCI) one of the largest bank holding companies in the Midwest with $15.6 billion in assets as of Sept. 30, 1990. The corporation has 370 offices in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Florida, including more than 100 in northeastern Ohio. Through its affiliates, Society engages in commercial banking, consumer banking, mortgage banking and leasing, and provides trust and investment

banking service.

CONTACT: John Fuller of Society National Bank, 216-689-8140

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#90348p3288 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - John Bernbach, president DDB Needham Worldwide, has announced the appointment of Bruce Duffey to executive creative director for the DDB Needham Detroit office in Troy, effective Jan. 14, 1991.

Formerly senior vice president, group creative director at DDB Needham Chicago Duffey will oversee the entire creative operation in the Detroit office which services over 30 automotive and general accounts on a local and regional basis.

In his new position as executive creative director, Duffey becomes part of a three-person executive committee consisting of Philippe Defechereux, executive vice president, director of automotive accounts, and Peter J. Farago, senior vice president, who in addition to overseeing the general account group, is also director of business development, finance and administration. The executive committee will report directly to Bernbach.

The appointment of Duffey to Detroit paves the way for the shifting of Volkswagen national creative from New York to the Detroit office. As a result, all strategic creative development, planning and execution will take place in the Detroit office which is located across from Volkswagen of America headquarters in Troy.

Commenting on Duffey's appointment, Ernest Baker, chairman of the executive committee, stated, "Bruce Duffey's arrival completes the coming together of the new DDB Needham Detroit office." Earlier in the fall, DDB Needham Detroit acquired Baker Advertising, Inc., from Ernest Baker, chairman and owner. "He is the essential spoke in the wheel that will drive our creative force and push DDB Needham to the top in the Detroit area," Baker added.

In addition to complementing the Baker acquisition, Duffey's arrival further fortifies DDB Needham's plan to accelerate the growth of new accounts and billings in the Detroit office. "Bruce's creative efforts and skill will play an integral role in the agency's new business team which developed after the Baker acquisition and is really moving ahead with an aggressive menu for 1991 " Farago added.

The stronger creative role will also help to enhance DDB Needham's presence in the Detroit market as a full service agency which has experience in automotive and virtually every product or service category.

Duffey, a frequent Clio and Addy award winner, joined DDB Needham Chicago in 1986 and was responsible for directing the creative on Anheuser Busch, Natural

Light, Banquet Frozen Foods, Gallery of Homes, State Farm, General Mills, National Dairy Board, and the USO. He served on the creative staffs of leading advertising agencies in the Midwest for over 18 years. He will relocate to the metro Detroit area in January with his wife and two children.

DDB Needham Worldwide is a wholly owned subsidiary of Omnicom Group, Inc. and has 93 offices in 38 countries on five continents. In addition to Volkswagen United States, Inc. and Audi of America, Inc., the agency handles a variety of non-automotive accounts including, Standard Federal Bank, the Michigan Department of Commerce, Stanley Home Automation and Century 21.

CONTACT: Marilyn G. Palliaer of DDB Needham Detroit, (313) 643-4300.

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#90348p3289 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHAPEL HILL, NC (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of Kenan Transport Company (NASDAQ: KTCO) declared a five and a quarter cents ($.0525) per share quarterly cash dividend payable January 15, 1991 to stockholders of record on December 31, 1990.

CONTACT: William L. Boone, Vice President - Finance, Kenan Transport Company, 919-967-8221

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#90348p3293 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WATERTOWN, MASS. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ionics, Incorporated (NYSE: ION) announced today that Robert J. Halliday has joined Ionics as vice president, finance and accounting.

Halliday previously served as corporate controller at Alliant Computer Corporation and at Symbolics, Inc.

Halliday earned his M.B.A. and B.S. degrees from the Wharton School of the University of Pennslyvania. He lives in Framingham with his wife, Susan, and their two children.

Ionics is a separations technology company involved worldwide in the manufacture and sale of membranes and related equipment for the purification of water, in the supply of purified water and water treatment chemicals, and in the sale of bottled water and home water purifiers.

CONTACT: A.T. Coughlin of Ionics, Inc., 617-926-2500

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#90348p3294 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Graco Inc. (NYSE: GGG) today increased the company's quarterly cash dividend to 17 cents per common share (68 cents per share annual rate) from the previous 15 cents per share (60 cents per share annual rate) effective with the first quarter dividend payable on Feb. 6, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 2, 1991.

The new 17 cents per share quarterly rate is a 13.3 percent increase in the cash dividend rate. The company has 7,179,615 common shares outstanding. The company's most recent previous cash dividend increase on its common stock was declared on Dec. 20, 1989, when the quarterly dividend was increased from 13 cents to 15 cents.

Company Chairman David A. Koch said, "The increase in the cash dividend reflects the Company's continuing policy to pay regular quarterly dividends and to periodically adjust those payments to reflect improved earnings performance."

Graco Inc. supplies technology and expertise for the management of fluids in both industrial and commercial settings. It manufactures and markets systems and equipment to move, measure, control, dispense, and apply fluid materials.

A recognized leader in its specialties, Minneapolis-based Graco serves customers around the world in the manufacturing, processing, construction, and maintenance industries.

CONTACT: Roger L. King, (612) 623-6700 or David L. Schoeneck, (612) 623-6679, both of Graco Inc.

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#90348p3296 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - National Media Corp. (NYSE: NM) announced today that the board of directors of National Media declared its third regular quarterly dividend of 2.5 cents per share, payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 31, 1990.

There are approximately 11.1 million shares outstanding.

CONTACT: William H. Campbell, vp and secretary of National Media, 215-482-9800

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#90348p3299 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORANGE, CA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Admar Group Inc. (NASDAQ: ADMR) today announced operating results for the third quarter and nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Pretax income for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, increased 78 percent to $498,000 as compared to $279,000 for the comparable nine months in 1989. Net income for the nine months was $284,000 or $.007 per share in fiscal 1990 a 95 percent increase over $146,000 or $.004 per share for the comparable nine months in the prior year. Revenues for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, increased 2 1/2 to $7,867,000 from $7,674,000 in the prior year.

Pretax income for the quarter increased by 58 percent to $82,000 from $52,000 for the comparable quarter last year. Net income for the quarter was $47,000 or $.001 per share a 74 percent increase over $27,000 or $.001 per share for the comparable quarter in the prior year. Revenues for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, increased 5 1/2 percent to $2,592,000 from $2,455,000.

The Admar Group Inc. develops, markets and administers managed health care services which facilitate the delivery and manages the cost of providing health care through contracted insurance carriers and self-insured employer groups. Admar's services are marketed as an adjunct to employee health care benefit plans. Programs include alternate delivery systems comprised of group medical and workers compensation Preferred Provider Organizations and Exclusive Provider Organizations; the HealthWatch Medical Review System, designed to ensure appropriate use of hospitalization for medical/surgical, substance abuse, mental health, catastrophic illness and injuries; and Advantaged Benefits Co., a third party administrator providing services to self-insured employers.

CONTACT: Edward Evans, VP-finance, The Admar Group, 714-953-9600

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#90348p3302 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Trans World Airlines has moved its reservations office from the fourth floor of 2 Penn Plaza to the 18th floor.

This new state-of-the-art facility will house a more efficient telecommunications system that will save over one million dollars per year in communications costs. More than 450 people are employed at the center.

Senior vice president of marketing Harry Chandis cut the ribbon which officially opened the new office. TWA's other reservations centers are located in Chicago, Los Angeles and St. Louis.

CONTACT: Jim Faulkner of TWA, 314-298-6303

-30- 745

#90348p3304 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T has extended for three months its free-for-life charter membership plan for holders of the AT&T Universal Card.

The extension will enable people who have not yet applied to join more than seven million customers who are using their AT&T Universal Cards for shopping, dining, travel, and discounts on long-distance calls.

Charter members of the AT&T Universal Card - issued by Universal Bank of Columbus, Ga. - pay no annual fees for the rest of their lives, as long as they sign up for the card within the charter membership period and use it as they normally would a MasterCard or VISA card, for a purchase at least once a year.

When launching the AT&T Universal Card last March 26, AT&T and Universal Bank had said the charter membership period would last through Dec. 31. The deadline has now been extended through the one-year anniversary of the AT&T Universal Card - March 26, 1991.

"We're delighted to continue offering the card that has set records in the credit card industry in less than a year," said Paul Kahn, president, AT&T Universal Card Services Corp. "This is our way to say 'thanks' to consumers who have voted loudly and clearly that we're offering a combination of quality value and service that's been missing in the bank card industry.

"Extending charter membership will allow even more consumers to take advantage of a unique and innovative card that comes with no annual fee for life - and during our research, consumers were most vocal about their dislike of annual fees associated with bank credit cards."

Kahn said a decision has not been made on any annual fee consumers might pay when signing up for the card after March 26, 1991, and that an announcement would not be forthcoming until early next year.

AT&T said the response to its AT&T Universal Card continues to exceed all expectations. In eight months, more than four million AT&T Universal Card accounts have been opened.

Card members have used their cards to charge more than $3.3 billion in goods and services, and receivables stand at more than $1.3 billion. With more than 6.8 million cards in circulation, the AT&T Universal Card has quickly become the fifth-most-popular bank credit card in the country.

"Consumers have made it clear they want simple, basic, reliable products at a fair price," Kahn said. "They want quality and service they can count on ... and no gimmicks. We've shown we provide that."

CONTACT: Annette Husted of AT&T, (313) 262-4962, or after hours, (313) 277-1599.

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#90348p3309 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Neutrogena Corp. (NASDAQ: NGNA) today declared an annual cash dividend of 20 cents per share. The 20-cent rate is unchanged from last year's cash dividend.

The dividend is payable Jan. 11, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 24, 1990.

Neutrogena has approximately 26.6 million shares outstanding. Neutrogena Corp. headquartered in Los Angeles, manufactures and sells high quality, premium-priced, specialty skin care and hair care products.

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#90348p3314 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
HUDSON, NH (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Howtek Inc. (AMEX: HTK) today announced the appointment of Paul R. White as vice president of graphic arts for the company's rapidly growing Colorscan division.

White is a well-known expert in the electronic publishing field, and a frequent speaker at industry trade shows and technical events. His business background spans 25 years in the electronic and prepress industries in the areas of import/export, sales and marketing, operation/administration, manufacturing and planning.

Prior to joining Howtek, Paul was vice president of sales and marketing for Bedford Computer Corp., where he introduced several new hardware and software products and revived the company from Chapter 11 in two years.

His earlier experience includes similar key management positions with Agfa Compugraphic Division, Quadex Corp., KATY Industries, and Sylvania Corp. He completed his graduate work at New Hampshire College and has been a lecturer in Boston University's M.B.A. program.

Howtek, Inc. designs, engineers and develops computer peripherals and systems for the color graphics markets.

CONTACT: Vikki Quick of Howtek, 603-882-5200, or Alex Ross of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Howtek

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#90348p3315 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Time Management Corporation (Local OTC) reported revenues for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $384,058 as compared to $275,515 in revenues reported for the third quarter of 1989. The

company reported net loss for the third quarter of $(47,939), or $(.02) per share, versus a loss of $(462,908), or $(.17) per share, for the comparable 1989 period. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, the net profit was $48,848 on total revenues of $1,102,910 versus a loss of $(1,047,591) on total revenues of $1,788,901 for the comparable 1989 period. The current year-to-date net profit reflects settlements obtained with certain vendors resulting in the cancellation of $259,488 of liabilities, which was recorded as other income.

Time Management Corporation designs, sells, installs, and supports a microprocessor-based employee time management systems used to reduce labor costs through automated scheduling, recording, reporting, and controlling of employee work schedules.

TIME MANAGMENT CORPORATION
THIRD QUARTER RESULTS

	Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net revenue	$384,058	$275,515	$1,102,910	$1,788,901
Net profit (loss)	$(47,939)	$(462,908)	$48,848	$(1,047,591)
Net profit (loss) per common share	$(.02)	$(.17)	$.02	$(.41)
Weighted average common shares oustanding	3,079,894	2,666,772	2,943,839	2,547,063

CONTACT: David P. Webb of Time Management, 612-542-8333

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#90348p3316 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Astrotech International Corporation (AMEX: AIX) today reported net income of $1,024,000 on revenues of $26.4 million for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990. This compares with a net loss of $505,000 on revenues of $12.8 million for the prior year.

These results include, from the respective dates of acquisition, operating results of HMT Inc., which was acquired in February 1989 and AKI Systems, Inc. acquired in December 1989.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Astrotech reported net income of $249,000 on revenues of $7.8 million, compared to a net loss of $670,000 on revenues of $5.8 million for the comparable quarter a year ago. Last year's results were adversely impacted by an unusual charge of $742,000, recorded in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989.

The company's HMT Inc. subsidiary provides specialized construction services and related products for the maintenance or modification of large aboveground storage tanks for petroleum and petrochemical products at refineries, storage

terminals and pipeline facilities. These services and products enable its customers to comply with increasingly stringent environmental regulations and to improve operating efficiencies.

"Our industry has experienced increasing growth due to awareness and concern for protection of the environment, and the need to comply with stringent environmental regulations," S. Kent Rockwell, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive said.

"Consequently, we expect our market segment to continue its growth throughout the coming year, because of significant expenditures by the petroleum and petrochemical industry to address federal, state and local environmental regulations and to make their operations more efficient."

"In keeping with our business strategy, we acquired AKI Systems during fiscal 1990," Rockwell said. "AKI Systems is a specialty designer and fabricator of portable vapor incineration equipment used to remove contaminates from the soil and in degassing aboveground storage tanks. This acquisition compliments the products and services we provide to our market segment."

Rockwell added, "We remain confident about the future growth prospects for our business and are continuing our review of other potential acquisition candidates to further augment our business strategy."

Astrotech also announced that its board of directors has declared a cash dividend of $0.30 per share on its $1.20 cumulative convertible preferred stock for the first quarter of fiscal 1991. This cash dividend is payable on Dec. 31, 1990, to holder of record on Dec. 24, 1990.

CONTACT: Raymond T. Royko, vice president and secretary of Astrotech International, (412) 391-1896.

-30- 2945

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KALAMAZOO, MI (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Manatron, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MANA) today announced results for the second quarter and six months ended Oct. 31, 1990. The company said the quarter's flat revenues were affected by the focus of its municipal customers on the November 1990 elections.

The company reported revenues of $2,035,782 for the quarter just ended compared to $2,043,808 in the year earlier quarter. Operating loss was $25,992, vs. a $9,665 operating profit. Net income was $9,222, nil cents a share, vs. $37,915, or 2 cents a share.

For the half, revenues were $4,165,001 vs. $4,135,929. Operating income was $24,631, compared to a loss of $11,356 in the year-earlier half. Net income was $106,039, or 5 cents a share, compared to $74,149, or 4 cents a share.

There were approximately 2.1 million weighted average shares outstanding in all reporting periods.

"Municipal purchasing decisions are usually postponed during an election period, which affected sales growth in the second quarter," said Allen Peat, chairman. "We did have several sales of one of our newest products -- MIRRS, the Manatron Indexing, Recording and Retrieval System -- including the first two in Indiana. We also completed a good-sized mapping and permit installation in Tuolumne County, Calif.

"We also increased gross profit margin to 49 percent from 48 percent and 45 percent in last year's quarter and half respectively. Net income was down slightly because of higher operating expenses, as payroll costs have increased somewhat and we continue to invest in our advertising and marketing programs."

"Our balance sheet remains rock solid with working capital of $4.4 million on Oct. 31, up from $4.2 million on April 30. Book value per share stands at $2.79, higher than today's stock price which we believe represents an opportunity for the long-term investor," Peat said.

Manatron designs, markets, installs and maintains advanced computer- based turnkey data processing systems for local governments, using its own specialized proprietary software and hardware from leading manufacturers.

MANATRON, INC.
STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31, 1990		Six Months Ended Oct. 31, 1990	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net Revenues	$2,035,782	$2,043,808	$4,165,001	$4,135,929
Cost of Revenues	1,039,827	1,062,017	2,116,722	2,281,034
Gross Profit	995,955	981,791	2,048,279	1,854,895
Operating Expenses	1,021,947	972,126	2,023,648	1,866,251
Operating Income (Loss)	(25,992)	9,665	24,631	(11,356)
Other Income	39,214	44,250	135,408	117,505
Pretax Income	13,222	53,915	160,039	106,149
Income Tax Expense	4,000	16,000	54,000	32,000
Net Income	$9,222	$37,915	$106,039	$74,149
Earnings per Share	$.00	$0.02	$0.05	$0.04
Weighted Average Shares	2,132,397	2,117,374	2,131,670	2,114,799

BALANCE SHEET HIGHLIGHTS

Current Assets	$7,175,58	Current Liabilities	$2,795,900
Property & Equipment, Net	522,048	Deferred Taxes	398,000
Other Assets	1,453,100	Shareholders' Equity	5,956,837

Total	$9,150,737	Total	$9,150,737

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FLAT ROCK, MI (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Mazda (North America),Inc. (MANA) broke ground today for a new $9 million facility, which will house two Mazda subsidiaries, Mazda Systems Services of North America, Inc. (MSS) and Mazda Research and Development of North America, Inc. (MRA). The new facility in Flat Rock will be located adjacent to Mazda Motor Manufacturing (USA) Corporation (MMUC).

State Sen. Christopher Dingell, state Rep. Vincent Porreca, Flat Rock Mayor Richard Jones and several other Flat Rock city officials were among those in attendance at the ceremony.

When completed, the new 65,640-square-foot, two-story building will provide office spaces for both MSS and MRA. Currently, both functions are housed in MMUC's administration building.

MSS was established on Oct. 1, 1990, to consolidate current information systems functions and provide data processing, computer systems development and information systems consulting services to Mazda's manufacturing, research and development, and distribution functions. MSS is headed by Yoji Toyama, president of MANA, who serves as president of the new company in addition to his current duties.

MSS currently employs 43 people, and will increase the number of employees to approximately 60 by the end of 1991.

In September, MRA completed installation and began operations in Flat Rock of its first local parts testing facilities in the United States. The offices in the new building will serve as an engineering center for MRA's new local parts development capabilities.

MRA currently employs more than 50 people in Flat Rock, for operations of local parts development and testing. The number of employees who engage in local parts development and testing could grow to approximately 100 within the next several years.

MRA, with its headquarters in Irvine, Calif., also has a research and development center in Ann Arbor.

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#90348p3323 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BASKING RIDGE, NJ (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - NYCOR, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: NYCO) announced that stockholders of the company today approved the previously announced proposal to create and issue a new class of stock to enhance NYCOR's ability to make larger acquisitions. The company's primary objective is to acquire and operate underperforming manufacturing operations.

The new class of stock, Class A stock, is expected to begin trading in the NASDAQ National Market System on a "when-issued" basis within the next 10 days under the symbol NYCAV. The symbol will become NYCOA when the shares begin trading "regular way."

The Class A stock will be issued in connection with the stockholder- approved subdivision and change of the outstanding shares of common and Class B stock, which will have the effect of a one-for-two reverse stock split.

Each currently outstanding share of common stock will be subdivided and changed into one-fourth share of common stock and one-fourth share of Class A stock. Similarly, each outstanding share of Class B stock will be subdivided and changed into one-fourth share of Class B stock and one-fourth share of Class A stock.

The new Class A stock will have rights, including dividend rights, substantially identical to the common stock, except that the Class A stock will not be entitled to vote except to the extent provided under Delaware law. The Class A stock automatically will be converted into common stock whenever all of the NYCOR Class B stock converts into common stock.

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MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Medtronic, Inc. (NYSE: MDT) said today that an electronic component problem has caused a brief interruption in clinical studies of a new device designed to control too-rapid heartbeat.

Manufacturing and implanting of the PCD(TM) (pacemaker-cardioverter-defibrillator) were temporarily suspended as the company identified and corrected a problem related to the vendor-supplied component. The problem does not involve design of the device. Manufacturing of devices that are free of this problem has resumed and devices are expected to be available for clinical implants again sometime in January.

There have been no adverse patient outcomes, and the nature of the problem allows patients potentially at risk to be managed effectively with periodic monitoring by their physicians.

Regulatory authorities and all clinical investigators have been informed.

CONTACT: Phil Kostolnik (investor relations), 612-574-3038, or Dick Reid (public relations), 612-574-3052, both of Medtronic.

-30- 1208

#90348p3331 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARSIPPANY, NJ (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - General Public Utilities Corp. (NYSE: GPU) announced that net income for the month of November 1990 was $10.1 million, or 18 cents per share, compared with net income of $12.2 million, or 23 cents per share, in November 1989.

Net income for the 11-month period ending Nov. 30, 1990, was $255.8 million, or $4.62 per share, compared with net income of $257.3 million, or $4.56 per share, for the comparable 1989 period.

Net income for the 12-month period ending Nov. 30, 1990, was $281.0 million, or $5.07 per share, compared with net income of $273.8 million, or $4.85 per share, for the comparable 12-month period ending in 1989.

GPU is a registered electric utility holding company with three operating subsidiaries: Jersey Central Power & Light, Pennsylvania Electric and Metropolitan Edison.

The GPU System provides about 39 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity to approximately 1.9 million customers in a service territory encompassing about half the land area of Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

GENERAL PUBLIC UTILITIES CORP.

One month ended Nov. 30 (Unaudited)	1990	1989
Sales of electricity (gigawatt-hours)	3,104	3,003
Total revenues (000)	$235,185	$224,525
Revenues other than those related to energy costs (000)	172,183	168,964
Energy cost revenues (000)	63,002	55,561
Net income (000) (A)	10,140	12,150
Earnings per average share (A)	$.18	$.23
Average common shares outstanding (000)	55,387	55,373
11 months ended Nov. 30 (Unaudited)	1990	1989
Sales of electricity (gigawatt-hours)	35,397	35,025
Total revenues (000)	$2,737,665	$2,653,647
Revenues other than those related to energy costs (000)	2,032,804	2,000,525

Energy cost revenues (000)	704,861	653,122
Net income (000) (A)	255,813	257,321
Earnings per average share (A)	$4.62	$4.56
Average common shares outstanding (000)	55,381	56,476
12 months ended Nov. 30 (Unaudited)	1990	1989
Sales of electricity (gigawatt-hours)	38,848	38,326
Total revenues (000)	$2,995,213	$2,892,959
Revenues other than those related to energy costs (000)	2,226,233	2,179,960
Energy cost revenues (000)	768,980	712,999
Net income (000) (A)	280,957	273,784
Earnings per average share (A)	$5.07	$4.85
Average common shares outstanding (000)	55,380	56,612

(A) - 1989 amounts reflect restatement for the effects of a change in accounting principle concerning incremental nuclear outage maintenance costs.

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#90348p3339 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - VAALCO Energy Inc. announces that its wholly owned subsidiary, Alcorn (Production) Philippines, Inc., has completed drillstem test (DST) number two in the West Linapacan-1 exploration well.

DST-2 was conducted through 50 feet of perforations over the intervals 5490-5520 and 5530-5550 feet. The test flowed at a stabilized rate of 5051 barrels of oil per day (BOPD) with a maximum rate of 6,708 BOPD, through a 48/64 inch choke. Surface flowing pressure was 582 psi, oil 30.1 degree API gravity, and gas-oil ratio of 324 cubic feet/barrel.

One additional DST will be run prior to temporarily suspending the well. The combination of the results of these tests will be utilized to calculate estimated original crude oil in place and ultimate barrels recoverable.

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#90348p3340 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHERRY HILL, N.J. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Subaru of America (NASDAQ: SBRU) announced today that it will conduct a voluntary recall of approximately 103,000 vehicles to check for possible loose screws in front door latches and loose linkage in the defroster system.

The models affected include certain 1990 and '91 Legacy vehicles which have

been determined by their vehicle identification numbers.

In the affected vehicles, some front door latch screws may become loose, possibly causing difficulty in opening the door. In addition, a pin on the defroster shutter linkage can become dislocated, which could prevent the defroster function from operating.

All owners of affected vehicles are being notified by mail and asked to bring their car to any authorized Subaru dealer. At no cost to the owner, the door latch screws will be replaced with modified "lock-tight" screws, and a retainer bracket will be installed on the defroster lever. All Subaru dealers have been provided with the necessary parts and installation instructions.

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#90348p3341 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Coldwell Banker Commercial Group, the nation's largest commercial real estate services firm, today announced the expansion of its investment services activities by reorganizing its Real Estate Investment Banking Group.

The action, which followed an extensive review by senior management at Coldwell Banker Commercial, was taken in response to fundamental changes occurring in the financial and commercial real estate markets.

"The shift from a 'seller's market' to a 'buyer's market'; a withdrawal of credit from the market affecting both debt and equity sales; the window of opportunity created by the surplus of properties in the market, and an increased level of sophisticated competition have created a real need for a coordinated approach to the financing and investment business throughout our company," said James J. Didion, chairman and chief executive officer.

The reorganized Real Estate Investment Banking Group will include the merger of the company's mortgage banking operations in Los Angeles, San Francisco, and New York with the three investment banking offices in those cities, effective Jan. 1, 1991, Didion said.

John Stanfill and Harry Kelly will become co-managing directors of the consolidated Investment Banking Group. Stanfill, who has returned to the company following years of active involvement in real estate investment banking, will become president of the Equities Group, while Kelly will continue as president of Mortgage Banking.

Also reporting to Kelly will be mortgage origination operations outside Los Angeles and San Francisco and existing loan servicing activities, which will continue to function as currently organized and managed under the existing MBS

structure.

In addition, the Investment Banking Group will expand its three offices and will recruit selected, experienced investment specialists from Coldwell Banker Commercial Real Estate Services and from other leading investment banking firms. The group also plans to recruit a number of senior level financial officers.

Coldwell Banker Commercial Group, headquartered in Los Angeles, is the nation's largest commercial real estate services firm, with 90 offices across the United States. Services provided by the company include commercial real estate brokerage and management, mortgage banking, appraisal services, real estate investment banking, capital management and portfolio disposition.

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#90348p3345 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, TEXAS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The heads of the three major unions representing employees at American Airlines met in a private luncheon meeting Wednesday to discuss the status of negotiations between the company's pilots and its management, the Allied Pilots Association announced today.

In attendance were Fred Vogel, president of the Allied Pilots Association, representing almost 9,000 pilots, Ed Koziatek, vice president, Air Transport Division of the Transport Workers Union, representing more than 30,000 mechanics and fleet service personnel, Cheryle Leon, president, and Sherri Cappello, vice president, of the Association of Professional Flight Attendants representing 18,000 members.

Vogel briefed the participants in a closed-door session about the pilots' latest contract offer to management. The pilots' contract has been amendable since Dec. 31, 1989, and both sides have been meeting under provisions of the Railway Labor Act, which also governs the airline industry. A federal mediator is currently in place to help both sides work through the negotiating process and reach an accord. If the mediator decides that the parties are too far apart and not moving toward a resolution, an impasse can be declared which allows both sides to seek self-help after a 30-day cooling off period expires. Traditional self-help usually takes the form of imposed work rules for management and a withdrawal of services, or strike, for the union.

Vogel declined to comment on the degree of progress that was being made at the bargaining table, but he did say that management negotiators were currently studying a counter-proposal to the offer which was presented by the pilot group last Friday.

"I know that both management and pilots would like to have this situation come to an amicable resolution as quickly as possible," Vogel said. "There's a buyer's market out there in the industry for routes, gates, planes, and even entire weak airlines, but management may not be able to take advantage of it until it settles this contract. I just hope they are not being penny wise and pound foolish."

The pilots' proposal asks for a contract commensurate with the airline's industry-leading profit picture. "The pilots have sacrificed for the last seven years to help make American the premier carrier in the United States," said Vogel. "It's just not fair that we created a superpower and get paid like a third-world nation."

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#90348p3347 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL, (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Promatek Industries Ltd. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Auditech Communications Inc., announced today that they have entered into an agreement to sell all the assets of its Auditech division to Moscom Corporation of Rochester, N.Y., for an undisclosed amount. It is anticipated that the closing will occur in early January 1991.

The Auditech division was responsible for the sale and support of telecommunication cost control equipment. In 1990, the division had sales of $1,614,000 and accounted for a loss of $919,000. Promatek's total sales for 1990 were $6,391,445.

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#90348p3348 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The investment banking and brokerage firm of McDonald & Company Securities, Inc. today announced that it has entered into an agreement to acquire certain assets of S.J. Wolfe & Co., a Dayton, Ohio, stock brokerage firm.

"Adding the operations of S.J. Wolfe & Co. will substantially increase the volume of our business in Dayton and enhance our long- established presence in that area," noted Thomas M. O'Donnell, chairman and chief executive officer of McDonald & Company.

Darrell A. Patrick, president of S.J. Wolfe & Co., stated, "This association represents the blending of compatible business and operating philosophies and a strong commitment by each of us to the best interests of our customers.

McDonald & Company provides efficient access to a wider range of services and investment products of value to our clients."

S.J. Wolfe & Co. was founded in 1969 by the late Steven J. Wolfe and has been a consistently profitable firm specializing in the trading and sale of NASDAQ securities. All present S.J. Wolfe employees, including six investment brokers, are expected to become employees of McDonald & Company. The firm will operate under the name of the S.J. Wolfe Division of McDonald & Company Securities at its present location in Dayton.

McDonald & Company Securities, Inc. was established in 1927 and has a prominent reputation as a leading underwriter of both corporate and municipal securities. The firm now has 26 offices in seven states including headquarters in Cleveland and has maintained an office in the Dayton area since 1957. It is the principal subsidiary of McDonald & Company Investments, Inc. (NYSE: MDD).

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#90348p3350 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHVILLE, MI (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Guardian Industries Corp. has appointed Robert H. Gorlin, 45, as vice president and general counsel, effective immediately.

Gorlin has been serving as Guardian's general counsel since May 15, 1989, and his additional appointment as a corporate officer reflects the expansion of Guardian's legal staff and his added personal responsibilities.

Guardian President and CEO William Davidson said, "Bob Gorlin has made an excellent transition from his previous law practice to a manufacturing company such as Guardian. Guardian has been expanding aggressively on a worldwide basis in recent years and Bob has provided immediate and important contributions to these efforts, both as a key legal negotiator and as a key adviser on East European and Soviet business development."

Gorlin joined Guardian from the law firm of Dykema Gossett, headquartered in Detroit, where he was a partner. Gorlin was a specialist in the areas of antitrust and trade regulation, general commercial litigation and regulatory and administrative law. Since joining Guardian, Gorlin has directed an expansion of the in-house legal staff that reflects Guardian's growth in the international field as well as its overall expansion efforts.

Gorlin earned a J.D. in 1977 from the University of Michigan, where he was editor-in-chief of the Michigan Law Review. Gorlin also received a Ph.D. in Russian history from the University of Michigan in 1973 and a B.A. from Brooklyn College in 1966. He is fluent in Russian.

Gorlin is a member of the Michigan Bar and lives in Birmingham, Mich., with his three children, Andrew, 17; Stella, 12; and David, 9.

Guardian, founded in 1932, is a diversified manufacturer of flat glass and has been expanding aggressively throughout the world in recent years. Since 1988, Guardian has opened new glass plants in South Carolina, Luxembourg and Venezuela, and expects to inaugurate its Hungarian plant and commence construction of a plant in India in the first quarter of 1991.

The company currently operates 10 float glass production lines in the United States, Europe and South America. Guardian also has two pattern glass lines and extensive glass fabrication facilities in the United States, Canada and Europe.

Furthermore, Guardian has developed a variety of technological innovations in the automotive glass fabrication area that has led to recent additional investments in the United States to support the company's growing presence as a glass supplier to the U.S. automotive industry. The company also manufactures a broad line of fiberglass insulation products, molded plastic products, and oil-drilling equipment.

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#90348p3352 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Laurel Cutler, Chrysler's vice president - Consumer Affairs, has announced that she will retire from Chrysler effective Dec. 31, 1990, in order to devote full time to her duties as vice chairman of FCB/Leber Katz Partners in New York.

She is also worldwide director of Marketing Planning for Leber Katz's parent, Foote, Cone & Belding.

Cutler was elected to her current position at Chrysler Nov. 3, 1988, but had been a consultant to the company since 1985.

"I really feel that I accomplished, as a Chrysler employee, what I set out to do -- help focus management's attention on the consumer's perception of Chrysler and its products and assist with the development of brand advertising.

While at Chrysler, Cutler worked closely with the company's advertising agencies as well the Chrysler Youth Committee and Advisory Committee on the Women's Automotive Market. She reported to Bennett E. Bidwell, Chrysler Motors chairman, who is also retiring effective Dec. 31, 1990.

"Laurel was just what the doctor ordered," Bidwell said. "She got achance to

get an inside look at Chrysler and then she gave us her observations on our marketing and advertising efforts and our relationship with our customers. We didn't always enjoy what we heard, but her opinions were classic Cutler -- candid, insightful and straightforward.

"Her understanding of the marketplace and her instincts for what consumers are thinking now and what they will be thinking years from now have been, and will continue to be, one of Chrysler's advantages," Bidwell added. "I know that she will continue to be a valuable resource for Ted Cunningham and John Damoose in the years ahead."

Recently, Cutler was named one of America's most powerful women by Ladies' Home Journal. She was also named Women in Management's "Woman of the Year" in 1987.

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ABBOTT PARK, ILL. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Abbott Laboratories (NYSE: ABT) today approved the purchase of up to 6 million shares of its common stock from time to time in the open market, and declared a quarterly common dividend of 21 cents per share.

This marks the 268th consecutive quarterly dividend to be paid by Abbott since 1924. The dividend will be payable on Feb. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 15, 1991.

In other board action, Joy A. Amundson was elected vice president, corporate hospital marketing. Amundson, who joined Abbott in 1982, has held several management positions within the hospital products division, including divisional vice president and general manager, hospital sector.

Abbott Laboratories is a worldwide manufacturer of health care products employing 42,000 people. In 1989, the company's sales and net earnings were $5.4 billion and $860 million, respectively, with earnings per share of $1.93.

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#90348p3355 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARTINSVILLE, VA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - LADD Furniture, Inc.'s (NASDAQ-MNS: LADF) American of Martinsville Contract Division is one of 20 U.S. manufacturing companies which have been selected to participate in a new five-year U.S. Commerce Department program targeted at increasing American

trade with Japan.

According to Commerce Secretary Robert A. Mosbacher, more that 120 U.S. corporations expressed interest in the program, and the 20 chosen to participate, "represent a broad cross-section of small, medium and large manufacturers from across the United States."

American of Martinsville, the leading U.S. producer of guest room (hotel/motel) furniture, is the only consumer goods manufacturer among the 20 participants selected by the Commerce Department.

American of Martinsville president Robert J. Maricich said, "We are delighted to have been chosen to participate in this new Japanese trade program. Our company has been working hard during the last several ears to develop new business in Japan, and we have enjoyed some initial early success with Japanese hotel ownership interests.

"We believe this new affiliation with the Commerce Department will help strengthen our efforts to successfully market American of Martinsville products within the large and growing Japanese economy."

Maricich added that, under the terms of the five-year program, American has agreed to publish its product literature in Japanese, participate in at least one Japanese trade show annually, visit Japan at least four times a year, and make appropriate product modifications for the Japanese market as necessary.

Headquartered in High Point, N.C., LADD is one of the largest U.S. producers of residential and contract furniture. In addition to American of Martinsville LADD's major brand names include American Drew, Barclay, Brown Jordan, Clayton Marcus, Daystrom, Design Horizons, Lea Industries and Pennsylvania House.

LADD also owns and operates two support companies - Lea Lumber & Plywood and LADD Transportation - and its stock is traded on the over-the-counter National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol LADF.

CONTACT: Robert J. Maricich, President, American of Martinsville, (703) 632-2061.

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#90348p3356 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Hicks, Muse and Co., Incorporated announced today that HMD Acquisition Corporation and Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company have executed a senior financing commitment which will provide $155 million of senior debt financing to HMD Acquisition Corporation for its acquisition of Healthco International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HLCO). The senior debt financing is subject to the negotiation and execution of definitive documentation. Hicks,

Muse stated that its discussions with potential sources of subordinated debt and preferred stock financing for the acquisition are continuing, but that no commitments have been obtained for such financing. As previously announced, the Hicks, Muse Equity Fund, L.P. has committed to provide the common equity financing for the acquisition.

HMD Acquisition Corporation is a joint venture between Hicks, Muse and Co., Incorporated and Ray C. Davis.

On Sept. 4, 1990, HMD Acquisition Corporation agreed to acquire Healthco at a per share price of $19.25 in cash in a transaction valued at approximately $250 million.

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#90348p3357 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Sanifill Inc. (NYSE: FIL) has entered into letters of intent to acquire three disposal operations consisting of four disposal sites. Three of the disposal sites are permitted to receive municipal solid waste, and one is permitted to receive construction/demolition waste. One of the letters of intent is subject to a right of first refusal by a third party.

One of the operations owns a newly permitted site. The other two companies had combined unaudited disposal revenues of approximately $7 million and unaudited income before taxes of approximately $2,600,000 for their respective most recent fiscal years end.

Consideration will consist of cash and Sanifill common stock. Each of these proposal acquisitions is subject to the performance and satisfactory completion of extensive environmental due diligence and negotiation of final acquisition agreements. Thereafter, closings would occur in the first quarter of 1991.

Sanifill currently has outstanding letters of intent to acquire eight disposal businesses which own nine disposal facilities, including the three announced above.

Sanifill Inc., headquartered in Houston, is an environmental services company specializing in nonhazardous waste disposal.

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-30- 1502

#90348p3361 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
HIGHLAND PARK, MICH (DEC. 14) PRWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) announced today it had been informed that Kirk Kerkorian had acquired in excess of 9 percent of Chrysler's outstanding common stock.

Chrysler said that Kerkorian's stock purchase was not solicited by the company.

The company said that it had not yet received a Schedule 13D report by Kerkorian and would not comment on his motives for such an investment.

In addition, Chrysler's board of directors today adopted amendments to the company's share purchase rights plan.

The amendments reduce from 20 percent to 10 percent the threshold of beneficial ownership at which the rights "flip-in" -- that is, become exercisable to buy Chrysler stock at half-price. The rights plan now provides that if someone acquires beneficial ownership of 10 percent of Chrysler's common stock, each of the rights (other than those held by the 10 percent holder, which become void) entitles the holder, upon payment of the $120 exercise price, to buy Chrysler common stock having a market value (as defined in the rights plan) equal to twice the exercise price.

Prior to the amendments adopted today, the rights plan provided that, if someone acquired beneficial ownership of 10 percent or more of the company's common stock, the rights would flip in if Chrysler's directors determined that the acquirer was an "adverse person", and otherwise flipped in if someone acquired beneficial ownership of 20 percent of the company's common stock.

The amendments also add a provision that, if someone acquires 10 percent, but less than 50 percent, of the company's common stock, the board of directors may exchange each right (other than those held by the 10 percent holder) for one share of common stock.

The company said: "The amendments adopted today are intended to enhance the ability of Chrysler's board to act in the best interest of all the company's shareholders if someone should seek to obtain a position of control or substantial influence over Chrysler."

CONTACT: Steve Harris of Chrysler, 313-956-3164

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ROCKVILLE, MD (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Amgen Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: AMGN) announced that the Biological Response Modifiers Advisory Committee to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) today recommended that Amgen's recombinant granulocyte colony- stimulating factor (rG-CSF) be approved for the prevention of infections associated with cancer therapies used to treat nonmyeloid

malignancies.

Clinical trials with recombinant G-CSF have shown it reduces the incidence of infection, as evidenced by febrile neutropenia (the condition characterized by fever and a dangerously low white blood cell count), which commonly occurs as a result of myelosuppressive chemotherapy. Myelosuppressive chemotherapy suppresses the production of infection-fighting white blood cells, placing cancer patients at an increased risk for potentially serious infections.

"The advisory committee's action today is a significant step toward commercialization of the product," said Amgen Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Gordon Binder. "We believe that Amgen's recombinant G-CSF will be an important adjunct to the treatment of cancer."

The product is one of a group of therapeutic proteins that regulate blood cell growth. G-CSF stimulates the production of neutrophils, the white blood cells that are the body's first line of defense against infection.

Of the approximately 1 million new cancer cases in the United States each year about 250,000 patients receive myelosuppressive chemotherapy. Cancer patients' frequent vulnerability to potentially life-threatening infections often requires hospitalization and treatment with intravenous antibiotics.

Amgen Inc. is a leading multinational biotechnology firm developing pharmaceutical products based on advances in cellular and molecular biology. The company, based in Thousand Oaks, with a regional headquarters in Lucerne, Switzerland, was founded in April 1980.

CONTACT: Mark Brand (media), 805-499-5725 ext. 3028, or Sarah Crampton (investors), 805-499-5725 ext. 3250, both of Amgen

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#90348p3370 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH, (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Dravo Corp. (NYSE: DRV) today announced the election of John E. Dolan to its board of directors.

An engineering graduate of Columbia University, Dolan, 67, retired in 1988 as vice chairman, engineering and construction, of the American Electric Power Service Corp., the management, technology and service subsidiary of American Electric Power Co.

"During his distinguished career in the power industry, Mr. Dolan has been involved from both an engineering and management perspective in virtually all facets of steam-electric generating technology," commented Dravo Chairman William G. Roth. "His broad-based experience and technical insights will be of inestimable value to us, particularly as we intensify our efforts during the next several years to make the lime and limestone segments of our business as

responsive as possible to the needs of coal-burning power plants impacted by the recently enacted federal Clean Air Act," Roth said.

A fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and member of the National Academy of Engineering, Dolan joined American Electric Power Service Corp. in 1950, and during the intervening 38 years held a succession of increasingly responsible engineering and management positions. A registered professional engineer, Dolan also served as a director of American Electric Power Co. and a number of its subsidiaries.

CONTACT: Ron Sommer of Dravo, 412-566-5597

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#90348p3373 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Maynard Oil Co. (NASDAQ: MOIL) today announced that its board of directors has unanimously authorized the company to repurchase, from time to time, at management's discretion, up to 345,000 shares of its common stock in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions during the next nine months at the then prevailing market price. This represents an increase from the 250,000 shares authorized for repurchase announced on Sept. 24, 1990. As of Dec. 14, 1990, the company has repurchased 115,367 shares of the 345,000 authorized for repurchase and has 5,249,393 shares outstanding.

The company has retained Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc., as exclusive broker to make purchases on the open market. Purchases will be made out of the company's own cash resources. Shares purchased will be held in the corporate treasury and will be used for general corporate purposes.

Maynard Oil Co. is engaged in the exploration, development and production of oil and natural gas in the United States. In addition, the company's wholly owned subsidiary, BDK Drilling Co., provides contract drilling services in South Texas. The company's common stock is traded over the counter under the NASDAQ symbol MOIL.

CONTACT: Glenn R. Moore of Maynard Oil Co., 214-891-8880

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#90348p3376 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Jones Medical Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: JMED) today announced the resignation of Jerome F. Lowe, as vice president of Sales and Marketing, and as a director, effective Dec. 31, 1990. "After nine years of assisting JMED to grow from inception to nearly $20 million in annual sales, Mr. Lowe is leaving to pursue other business interests," said Dennis Jones, chairman and CEO.

Michael T. Bramblett has been employed to assume Lowe's duties as vice president of Marketing, to commence Jan. 1, 1991. Bramblett has been a member of Jones Medical's Board of Directors since 1987 and therefore has a thorough knowledge of the company's operations. He has an extensive business and marketing background and is coming to Jones Medical from Carlson Marketing Group where he has served as Marketing director since May 1988. He will continue to be a director.

Jerry Rose, Jones Medical vice president of Hospital Sales for the past 14 months, will become vice president of Sales of Jones Medical Jan. 1, 1991.

CONTACT: Jones Medical Industries Investor Relations, 314-432-7557; or Joe Graves of Investor Relations Associates, 708-858-0016, for Jones Medical Industries

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#90348p3377 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Jones Medical Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: JMED) announced today that the company has received final FDA approval and release of an initial inventory of Thrombinar Sterile Spray Kits. This new package will be available for shipment Jan. 1, 1991, in 5,000-unit, 10,000-unit and 20,000-unit potencies. The 5,000-unit spray kit is exclusive to the company.

For several months, Jones Medical has been awaiting the final approval of Thrombinar Spray Kits, in order to gain a greater total market share. The company's principal competitor has a sterile spray kit on the market. A great deal of the growth, in the demand for Thrombin products, has been fulfilled with this new package concept. Jones Medical's management believes that Thrombinar will grow at a faster pace as a result of the imminent introduction of Thrombinar Sterile Spray Kits.

CONTACT: Jones Medical Industries Investor Relations, 314-432-7557; or Joe Graves of Investor Relations Associates, 708-858-0016, for Jones Medical Industries

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#90348p3378 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DOWNINGTOWN, PA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Chester Valley Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: CVAL) announced today the repurchase of 100,000 shares of its stock at an average price of $8.15 per share.

Ellen Ann Roberts, president and chief executive officer of Chester Valley, stated, "Due to the depressed market in the price of bank stocks, this repurchase of our stock below what we believe to be its true value, and certainly below its September 30, 1990, book value of $15.20, will provide an

excellent investment for the company and its shareholders."

Recently, First Financial Savings Bank, PaSA, the wholly owned subsidiary of Chester Valley, received two commendations for its achievement in performance as of June 30, 1990. Sheshenoff Information Services, which tracks thrifts throughout the nation, granted Chester Valley an "A" rating for excellence in performance as measured by capital adequacy, asset quality and earnings and liquidity. Based on similar criteria, the research firm of Bauer Financial Reports Inc. of Coral Gables, Fla., also awarded a five-star rating to Chester Valley and issued a news release to that effect. The award is based on Bauer's analysis of information reported about the company as filed with federal regulators and is granted to only the safest, most strongly capitalized savings associations in the country.

"It is encouraging," continued Roberts, "that Chester Valley has been recognized by these experts as one of the most credit-worthy savings associations in the United States. These findings further support our decision to invest in the company."

First Financial has been in existence for more than 68 years and is headquartered in Downingtown, with branch offices in Exton, Frazer, Thorndale and Westtown, Pa.

CONTACT: Bonnie Laserna of Chester Valley Bancorp, 215-269-9700

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#90348p3379 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MT. PROSPECT, ILL. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Zenith Data Systems (ZDS), a Groupe Bull company, today appointed Philippe Ribeyre to the newly created position of vice president, product line management.

Ribeyre, a member of Groupe Bull's strategic planning organization for the past 2-1/2 years, will be responsible for determining product specifications, monitoring product development schedules and inventory levels, and forecasting. Ribeyre also will have responsibility for product pricing and profitability.

"By combining the responsibility for product definition and business planning into one organization, we will be able to speed decision-making and the time it takes to get products to market," said Carl A. Michelotti, ZDS president emeritus.

Ribeyre was involved in the decision to acquire ZDS as Groupe Bull's personal computer provider. His credentials include 10 years in marketing and product planning positions at Texas Instruments' European computer division in France, an engineering degree in computer science and a master's degree in business administration.

This new position was created as a result of the decision by Andrew Czernek, vice president of product development and strategy, to leave the company. An 11-year ZDS veteran, Czernek has expressed for some time an interest in taking time off "to recharge his batteries" and believes year-end is the right time for him to do so, Michelotti said.

ZDS also has increased the role of vice president of Engineering Mike Hakeem. Previously reporting to Czernek, Hakeem now reports directly to the president and CEO of ZDS. Hakeem's group will add the functions of a soon-to-be-appointed vice president, technology, who will be based in California.

ZDS is a leading manufacturer and marketer of portable and desktop microcomputers and monitors for single- and multi-user applications. With headquarters in Mount Prospect, Ill., and principal assembly operations in St. Joseph, Mich., ZDS has manufacturing and sales facilities in more than 30 countries.

CONTACT: Matt Mirapaul of Zenith Data Systems, 708-699-4897

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#90348p3381 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Fidelity National Financial Inc. has elected J. Thomas Talbot to its board. Talbot is president and chief executive officer of Hawaiian Airlines and its subsidiaries.

William P. Foley II, president and chief executive officer, said, "We are looking forward to J. Thomas Talbot's experience and business acumen that he brings to our board." Talbot has been a highly successful real estate developer and investor and has served on the boards of directors of The Hallwood Group, E.F. Hutton Group and Showbiz Pizza Time Inc.

Talbot has a 23-year history in the airline industry, having begun as a founder of Air California in 1966 and serving as regulatory counsel and a member of the board of directors. He was a consultant and regulatory counsel to Southwest Airlines from 1981 until 1987 when it merged with Alaska Air Group.

Headquartered in Irvine, Fidelity National Financial Inc. issues title insurance and performs other title-related services in 31 states and the District of Columbia through Fidelity National Title Insurance Company, Fidelity National Title Insurance Company of Tennessee, Fidelity National Title Insurance Company of California, and Fidelity National Title Insurance Company of Texas.

CONTACT: Nancy R. Eichorn, VP-Investor Relations of Fidelity National Financial Inc., 714-852-9770

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#90348p3383 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Resort Income Investors Inc. (RII) (AMEX: RII) today announced the declaration of its fourth quarter dividend of $0.375 per share. The dividend is payable on Jan. 30, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990. Annual dividends of $1.50 per share are guaranteed through Oct. 31, 1991, by an affiliate of the Investment Manager.

The company operates as a real estate investment trust (REIT) under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. As such, it is required to distribute to shareholders at least 95 percent of its taxable income each year to continue to qualify as an REIT.

Resort Income Investors Inc. is a Los Angeles-based REIT. RII is a lender focusing on the destination resort market and has a portfolio of participating pre-development mortgage loans made to affiliates of Hemmeter Corp. The Investment Manager of RII is RC&H Inc. The Investment Manager is responsible for reviewing investment options and making investment recommendations to the RII Board of Directors.

RC&H Inc. is an affiliate of Hemmeter Corp., a company founded and headed by Christopher B. Hemmeter, a recognized leader in the development of luxury destination resorts. Previous developments of Hemmeter Corp. include the Hyatt Regency Waikiki at Hemmeter Center in Honolulu, the Hyatt Regency Maui, the Westin Kauai at Kauai Lagoons, the Westin Maui and the Hyatt Regency Waikoloa on the Big Island of Hawaii.

CONTACT: Greg Hooper of Resort Income Investors Inc., 213-557-3600, or Gary Maier of Erickson Consulting Group, 213-829-4601, for Resort Income Investors Inc.

-30- 1803

#90348p3384 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALO ALTO, CA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntex Corp. (NYSE: SYN) reported that at its annual meeting of shareholders today in Panama City, Panama, Jerome Farmer, Dana G. Leavitt, Dr. Robert D. Sparks, James N. Wilson and Hans A. Wolf were elected directors of the corporation for three-year terms.

Shareholders also approved amendments to the corporation's 1974 Stock Option Plan and the corporation's 1984 Stock Option and Stock Appreciation Rights Plan. The amendments permit an extension of stock option expiration dates for expatriate employees; provide that non-qualified options and incentive stock options granted after July 26, 1990, continue to vest and be exercisable after

retirement; and provide that options granted pursuant to the 1984 Plan automatically vest in the event of a change in the control of the corporation.

Syntex Corp. is an international healthcare company which discovers, develops, manufactures and markets human and animal pharmaceutical products and medical diagnostics systems. Syntex is incorporated in Panama.

CONTACT: Linda Thomas, 415-852-1321; or Nancy Peterson, 415-855-5567, both of Syntex

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#90348p3389 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - More than 600,000 personal-care products have been shipped to the U.S. Armed Forces stationed in the Middle East, Avon Products, Inc. announced today. The shipment will be handled through the Defense Logistics Agency on behalf of Operation Desert Shield.

Avon's donation includes 500,000 sun-protection products from the company's popular Sun Seekers line and, appropriately, 100,000 On Duty 24 Plus anti-perspirants. As the world's largest company of women selling to women, the cosmetics giant also will provide 11,000 holiday "care packages" -- talcs, lotions and soaps -- for each of the 11,000 servicewomen stationed in the region.

"Families have always been an important part of our Avon tradition," said James E. Preston, Avon's chairman and chief executive officer. "Dozen's of Avon's corporate employees and U.S. sales representatives have called and written to express their interest in supporting the troops. We shared their concern and wanted to help.

The bulk of the products can be enjoyed by all of the troops," he said. "But we also wanted to do something special to show the servicewomen how proud we are of their efforts. All of us at Avon wish our servicemen and servicewomen a safe and speedy return home."

CONTACT: Carolyn Aishton of Avon, 212-546-7304

-30- 1513

#90348p3390 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Credit Company announced today that it has completed its purchase of the common stock, most of the field organization and certain dealer floorplan receivables of Marine Midland Automotive Financial Corporation (MMAFC). The signing of a definitive agreement was announced Nov. 6, 1990.

George Watts, former president of Ford Credit's Canadian Operations, will be

president of the new company which will be located in Nashville, Tenn.

CONTACT: Jon Harmon of Ford Credit, 313-594-1096; or Judi Nolan of Marine Midland Bank, 716-841-2399

-30- 760

#90348p3395 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL, MN (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Angeion Corporation (NASDAQ: ANGN) reported sales of $1,252,196 for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, a 13-percent increase over sales of $1,106,967 for the first quarter in fiscal 1989.

Increased expenses relating to Angeion's research and development resulted in a loss of $203,583, or $.02 per share, for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. This compared to a profit of $1,684, or $.00 per share, for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989.

Expenses were attributed to Angeion's subsidiary, AngeLase, Inc., and its research and development (R&D) of a product for the nonsurgical cure of arrhythmia. The development of the AngeLase catheter is moving forward ahead of schedule.

"I'm pleased with our overall performance for the first quarter," said Wendell L. King, chairman and CEO. "We finished the quarter on plan in terms of revenues and slightly above plan on earnings, which means we lost less money this quarter than we had planned.

"The first quarter included a number of significant accomplishments," noted King. "We established a subsidiary, AngeLase, Inc., to assume all responsibility for our major research and development focus, a nonsurgical cure for arrhythmia." He cited these other accomplishments: the company's restructuring attracted outside investment commitments; two patent applications, with broad coverage for the arrhythmia catheter technology, were allowed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; a new chief operating officer was hired; and a board of directors was established for AngeLase, Inc. The company also began negotiations for the acquisition of XMED, a research-and-development company targeting the automatic implantable defibrillator market.

Minneapolis-based Angeion Corporation is a manufacturer of cardiovascular products. Its subsidiary, AngeLase, Inc., is currently engaged in the research and development of a catheter which would provide a nonsurgical cure for arrhythmia.

Angeion also recently signed a letter of intent to purchase XMED, a research-and-development company which is developing products for the automatic implantable defibrillator market. Angeion's current core business

is centered on the angioplasty accessory market.

In addition to Angeion's NASDAQ listing under the symbol ANGN, Angeion is also traded on the Boston Stock Exchange under the symbol ANI.

ANGEION CORPORATION
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS - UNAUDITED

	First Quarter Ended	
	10/31/90	10/31/89
Net sales	$1,252,196	$1,106,967
Net income (loss)	(203,583)	1,684
Income (loss) per common share	$(.02)	$.00
Weighted average number of shares	8,175,860	7,987,193

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS

	(Unaudited) 10/31/90	7/31/90
Current assets	$4,998,119	$3,527,332
Property and other	1,826,920	1,674,051
Total assets	$6,825,039	$5,201,383
Current liabilities	775,691	587,912
Long-term debt	471,721	488,457
Stockholders' equity	5,577,627	4,125,014
Total liabilities and equity	$6,825,039	$5,201,383

CONTACT: Perry Ketchum or Brenda Roth of Ketchum & Metz, 612-925-1924, for Angeion

-30- 3560

#90348p3396 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Pfizer Inc (NYSE: PFE) announced today that it completed the sale of its citric acid business to Archer- Daniels-Midland Company (NYSE: ADM) of Decatur, Ill. Pfizer will report a small gain on the transaction in 1990.

Citric acid is the premier acidulant in the food and beverage industries and is widely used in pharmaceuticals, laundry detergents and various industrial applications.

The citric acid manufacturing facilities involved are in Southport, N.C. and Ringaskiddy, Ireland. The site in Ireland is shared with a Pfizer pharmaceutical production facility, which Pfizer will continue to own and operate. More than 500 people are employed at these locations. A number of sales and marketing people in North America and Europe will also transfer to ADM.

"For more than 100 years Pfizer has been a leader in citric acid production," said Pfizer chairman Edmund T. Pratt, Jr. "It was a difficult decision to

sell, but we believe the business and its people will have a better opportunity under today's circumstances with ADM.

"With ADM," Pratt continued, "the citric acid business is an excellent fit. Pfizer's citric technology and experienced people, combined with ADM's access to key raw materials and extensive experience with similar products, promise to serve the best interests of employees and customers. Pfizer will continue to be a premier supplier of food ingredients and other specialty chemicals."

Pfizer Inc is a diversified, research-based health care company with businesses in pharmaceuticals, hospital products, consumer products, animal health, specialty chemicals and specialty minerals. The company reported sales of approximately $5.7 billion and a net income of $681 million for 1989.

CONTACT: A. A. Biesada, 212-573-2055, or Rick Honey, 212-573-2051, both of Pfizer

-30- 2043

#90348p3403 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPOKANE, WA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Montana Precision Mining Ltd. (NASDAQ: MPML) today announced the resignation of Alfred J. Luciano as president and director. Luciano cited personal reasons for his decision.

At the request of the company, Luciano has agreed to remain as an advisor for both the mining and the Skygas projects.

CONTACT: Robert Little of Montana Precision Mining Ltd., 509-326-3443

-30- 599

#90348p3404 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The recently unsealed affidavit of Investigator Valenti reveals that the U.S. Attorney's office in Brooklyn is broadening its investigation of Eastern's maintenance practices to include a variety of pre-strike allegations of records falsification at Atlanta, as well as certain post-strike allegations of records falsification at Miami and Atlanta. Based on the results of Eastern's own investigation into those allegations which were sufficiently specific to investigate (several of which were also investigated by the FAA), Eastern is confident that the Grand Jury will agree, after conducting its own analysis of the evidence, that the charges contained in the affidavit are without merit.

Incredibly, when it conducted its search of Eastern's premises on Dec. 1, 1990 the U.S. Attorney's office only seized original logbooks for one of the four post-strike incidents referenced in the affidavit. Eastern believes this only confirms that the U.S. Attorney's office was indeed on a fishing expedition

when it conducted that search.

Eastern would also point out that the FAA continues its extremely high level of surveillance of the company's operations. In fact, the FAA's most recent inspections revealed that Eastern was safe and that there was no evidence to suggest that maintenance records were being falsified. In addition, many FAA officials and their families fly Eastern frequently, a fact which Eastern believes reflects the agency's confidence in the safety of its operations.

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, 305-873-3773, or 305-873-6360

-30- 1807

#90348p3405 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PONTIAC, MICH (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - James J. Kane, retired Pontiac Motor Division national customer services manager, passed away Dec. 13, 1990, after a two-year bout with prostate cancer. He was 67 years old.

Mr. Kane joined Pontiac in 1949 as a service adjuster in the Kansas City Zone. He was named a service instructor in the Minneapolis Zone that same year and moved to the Cleveland Zone in 1951 as a district sales manager. While there, he became parts and accessories manager in 1954 and service and parts manager in 1957. Mr. Kane moved to Pontiac's Central Office staff in 1963 as an assistant sales promotion manager and returned to Cleveland in 1966 as assistant zone manager. He became national customer services manager in 1980. Mr. Kane retired in 1986 after a 37-year Pontiac career.

A native of Massachusetts and a World War II veteran, Mr. Kane is survived by his wife, Patricia, 10 children -- Catherine, Mary Jo, Margaret, Patricia, James, Colleen, John, Thomas, Kevin and Christopher, ranging in age from 17 to 40 -- and 11 grandchildren.

Visitation will take place on Saturday, Dec. 15, from 7 to 9 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 16 from 2 to 9 p.m. with a rosary at 5 p.m. in the A.J. Desmond and Sons Funeral Home, 2600 Crooks Road, Troy, Mich. Funeral services will take place Monday, Dec. 17, at 10 a.m. at St. Hugo of the Hills, 2301 Opdyke Road, Bloomfield Hills, Mich. The services will be preceded by prayer at the funeral home at 9:15 a.m.

Cards can be sent to Pat Kane, 2801 Masefield Drive, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48013. Contributions can be made to any one of the following charities Mr. Kane supported: Guest House, 1840 W. Scripps Road, Lake Orion, MI, 48362, or St. Columbans Fathers, St. Columbans NE 68056.

CONTACT: Rick Asher of Pontiac Division, 313-857-1547

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#90348p3406 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
YORK, PA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert W. Pullo, president and chief executive officer, today announced the board of directors of York Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: YFED) has declared a 5 percent stock dividend.

The company will pay the stock dividend on Jan. 17, 1991, to stockholders of record Jan. 9.

York Financial Corp. has assets in excess of $840 million and is the largest independent financial institution headquartered in York County, Pa.

CONTACT: Robert W. Pullo, president of York Financial, 717-846-8777

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#90348p3410 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
HUDSON, MA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Artel Communications Corporation (NASDAQ: AXXX) today announced that based on the orders and shipments experienced to date and anticipated order intake for the balance of the fourth quarter ending Dec. 29, 1990, it does not expect the operating results to show an improvement over the third quarter 1990 which showed a loss of $969,000.

Robert L. Bowman, Artel's chief executive officer, said, "Despite the temporary set back, the company has maintained its investment in the development of its new product family. The new product development is on schedule with initial shipments scheduled during the second quarter of 1991."

Artel Communications Corporation is a manufacturer of high-speed fiber optic communications systems. The 100 Mbps FiberWay(R) flagship networking product provides multi-service networking capabilities and has more than 1,500 systems installed worldwide. Artel's video/graphics products provide high-quality signal transmission for broadcasting, computer graphics and teleport applications.

CONTACT: Robert L. Bowman, president and chief executive officer of Artel, 508-562-2100

-30- 1333
#90348p3411 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOISE, ID (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - TJ International (NASDAQ: TJCO) today named nationally known economist Dr. Alice M. Rivlin to its board of directors. Rivlin, 59, is a senior fellow in the economic studies program of the Brookings Institution. She has written extensively on the U.S. economy, the budget and public decision-making.

Prior to the Brookings Institute, Rivlin served as the first director of the

Congressional Budget Office. She is a past president of the American Economic Association and is currently a director of the Unisys Corp. and the Union Carbide Corp. She also serves as chairman of the board of The Wilderness Society.

"Alice is an extremely talented individual who brings a wealth of governmental experience and economic expertise to our board. Both should prove invaluable in helping guide our cyclical and new housing depended business. Equally important is her experience on Fortune 500 boards given our goal to become a Fortune 500 company during the next several years," said Walt Minnick, TJ International chief executive officer and president.

The board of directors also declared at its regular December meeting that the company's quarterly dividend of 10-1/2 cents per share will be paid on Jan. 9, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 28.

TJ International is a Boise-based manufacturer of specialty building products.

CONTACT: Russ Stoddard of TJ International, 208-345-8500, or after hours, 208-336-8450

-30- 1657

#90348p3412 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - George Konkol has announced his intentions to resign from his positions as president and director of Optelecom Inc. (NASDAQ: OPTC), effective Dec. 31, 1990.

A search committee of the board of directors is reviewing several candidates to fill the position. Konkol has agreed to serve as a consultant to assist in the transition.

CONTACT: William H. Culver, CEO, Optelecom, Inc., 301-840-2121

-30- 607

#90348p3416 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed Empire Savings Bank, S.L.A., of Hammonton, N.J., in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, Empire Savings Bank, FSB, will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift, and will operate in conservatorship under the oversight of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The takeover did not result in any interruption of Empire's day-to-day operations. The institution and its five branch offices will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action

which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

OTS initiated the action because Empire was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition in that it had insufficient capital, with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

Empire's condition is due primarily to poor asset quality resulting from management's unsafe and unsound lending practices, and to a deteriorating local real estate market. As a result of asset deterioration, Empire incurred net losses of $8.4 million for the nine-month period ending Sept. 30, 1990, or 5.1 percent of the thrift's total assets.

More than 40 percent of Empire's loans are in high-risk categories, such as speculative acquisition, development and construction loans that are poorly documented and poorly underwritten. As of Sept. 30, delinquent loans totaled $22.2 million, or 10 percent of assets.

Empire was a state-chartered stock association that was a wholly owned subsidiary of Empire Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: EMPR). Shareholders will retain no interest in the new institution.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, Empire reported assets of $219.3 million, liabilities of $218.2 million and tangible capital of $299,000, for a tangible capital-to-assets ratio of 0.14 percent.

CONTACT: Roy Jensen, 201-413-7501, or Janis Smith, 202-906-6677, both of the Office of Thrift Supervision

-30- 2318

#90348p3418 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Texaco Inc. (NYSE: TX) announced today that the quarterly dividend rate on its Series C Preferred Stock for the period from Jan. 1, 1991, to March 31, 1991, will be 8 percent.

The Series C Preferred Stock incorporates a variable dividend rate which is reset quarterly. The dividend rate is based upon the highest prevailing yields of the three U.S. Treasury maturities (three-month, 10-year and 30-year), less 0.375 percent.

CONTACT: Anita Larsen of Texaco, 914-253-4155

-30- 696

#90348p3420 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Scott & Stringfellow Financial, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SCOT) has declared its second quarterly dividend for fiscal 1991

and has increased the dividend from six cents to seven cents per share of common stock payable to shareholders of record January 1, 1991.

In making the announcement, Francis A. Pineno, president and chief executive officer, said the dividend would be payable to shareholders on January 15, 1991. The company has 1,807,193 shares outstanding as of December 14, 1990.

Scott & Stringfellow Financial, Inc. is the holding company of Scott & Stringfellow Investment Corp., a regional stock brokerage, financial services and investment banking firm headquartered in Richmond, Virginia. The common stock of the holding company has been traded in the Over-the-Counter market since an initial public offering in November, 1986. The firm has 24 branches throughout Virginia, North Carolina and West Virginia and 375 employees of which 165 have full-time Investment Broker positions.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Williams Industries, Incorporated (NASDAQ-NMS: WMSI) reported today that its first quarter, which ended Oct. 31, 1990, produced a loss of $249,529, or 10 cents per share, on revenues of $23,137,353. For the corresponding quarter last year, net profits were $743,098, or 31 cents per share, on revenues of $32,365,513.

Frank E. Williams Jr., chairman of the board, said the 28 percent decrease in revenues from the same quarter last year reflects the drastic drop in the availability of commercial construction work during the past few months, delays in commencement of a number of the company's construction contracts, and the company's previously announced program of integration and curtailment of certain operations. He noted that while consolidated backlog of work on hand is $59 million as compared to $65 million a year ago, bidding on highway, governmental and institutional work is strong and should offset some of the decline in commercial construction work.

Williams stated that the company continues to aggressively pursue its programs of reducing debt by sale of certain assets and cutting operating expenses through further consolidations of some subsidiary companies. He expects an improvement in operating results in the fiscal second quarter and return to profitability during the third and fourth fiscal quarters.

CONTACT: W. R. Weadon, vice president of Williams Industries, 703-560-5196

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#90348p3425 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Following is the R.O.C. Taiwan Fund (NYSE: ROC) monthly update:

Overview - the Taiwan Market:

- As the oldest and largest mutual fund specifically set up for international investment in the Taiwan stock market, The R.O.C. Taiwan Fund offers a convenient and efficient way to participate in one of the strongest markets in the world.

- The Taiwan Stock Exchange (TSE) index rose from 549.55 at the beginning of 1980 to 9624.18 by the end of 1989. During the same period, listed companies expanded from 96 to 181 as market capitalization increased from $5 billion to $236 billion.

Market Environment - November 1990:

The Taiwan Stock Exchange index gained 31.9 percent in November. This performance follows the 22.7 percent increase in October and is the biggest monthly advance since September 1987. In one big rally from Nov. 9-23, the market rose on ten of 11 trading sessions.

During this period, the index went up 41.9 percent to its high for the month of 4926, almost doubling from the year's low of 2560 on Oct. 1. The market then fell on four of the next six trading days, with the index finishing the month at 4377.

Besides the lack of negative news in the Middle East, the sharp run-up in share prices reflects both the continuing effect of increased liquidity since the central bank eased its tight monetary policy a few months ago and the highly speculative nature of the market in the absence of strong fundamentals. These factors are reflected in the heavy trading during the month.

The average daily volume of 1.53 billion shares set a new record, surpassing the previous high of 1.25 billion in February when the market peaked. Very short-term trading made up much of the activity; some analysts estimate that illegal "wash sales" often accounted for as much as 50 percent of trading.

In November, pressure on the local currency to appreciate also added more liquidity to the system. Foreign exchange trading was the heaviest since June as manufacturers rushed to convert export earnings and speculators dumped U.S. dollar holdings.

CONTACT: First Boston Corp., (212) 909-2000.

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#90348p3426 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - MSR Exploration Ltd. announced today that its board of directors has approved and the company has completed the purchase of all of the outstanding shares of Houston Petroleum Company of Houston.

Houston Petroleum is a privately held company which has been in continuous operation since 1961. It is an oil and gas exploration and production company which operates primarily within the upper Texas Gulf Coast. Its reserves are located within the Prolific Frio, Yegua-Wilcox Trends, Southern East Texas Basin and along the Mexia-Talco Fault Trend of Central Texas. The company's independent petroleum consultants, Gruy Engineering Corporation, estimates that Houston Petroleum's proved discounted reserves exceed $8.7 million, its probable discounted reserves $23.2 million, and its possible discounted reserves $51.9 million.

The board of directors of MSR believes that this acquisition will increase its revenues and cash flow based on Houston's 25,000 gross acres under lease, its workover potential and its highly experienced team of oil finders.

The transaction which approximated $4.8 million was a stock for stock exchange; and $650,000 of the $4.8 million was advanced to Houston Petroleum as part thereof.

MSR Exploration Ltd. is an oil and gas production company and is listed and traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol MSR.

CONTACT: Thomas Wachtell, president and CEO of MSR Exploration, 213-276-8600

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#90348p3429 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Jetronic Industries, Inc. (AMEX: JET) today reported a net loss for its third quarter, ended Oct. 31, 1990, of $80,000, or 3 cents per share, compared to net earnings of $24,000, or 1 cent per share, for the third period last year. Revenues for the quarter were $10,010,000 compared to $10,665,000 a year ago.

For the nine months, revenues were $31,174,000 compared to $33,614,000 in the same period last year. The net loss for the nine months amounted to $109,000, or 4 cents per share, vs. net income of $88,000, or 4 cents per share, in last year's initial nine months.

According to Daniel R. Kursman, chairman and president of Jetronic, the third quarter loss was mainly the result of reduced revenues in two of the company's operations.

"The decrease in sales and earnings for the year to date in the electronic communication and navigation equipment operations is primarily attributable to

a decrease in revenues of delivered units under U.S. government contracts," said Kursman. Revenues in the third quarter of the marine electronic business were impacted by the general softness in the marine market, which had not affected operations in earlier fiscal periods.

"At this time, we anticipate receiving additional U.S. government contracts for the engineering, production and delivery of electronic communication equipment next fiscal year," Kursman said.

"Our energy conversion products group also reported lower revenues and operating profits due to a slowdown in switchgear and controls orders and military contract business," he added.

"The increase in revenues and earnings for the year to date at the company's retail furniture and appliance operation reflect increased consumer traffic in our two furniture stores, which have been spurred by effective advertising campaigns," said the Jetronic chief executive.

Jetronic Industries, Inc. is a diversified company engaged in the design and manufacture of electronic devices, marine and energy conversion products and retail sales of furniture and major appliances.

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#90348p3435 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

READING, PA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald K. Wilson Jr. today was elected to the board of Gilbert Associates Inc. (NASDAQ: GILBA).

Wilson, 55, is executive vice president of The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Co., responsible for the Marketing Department.

Gilbert Chairman and President Alexander F. Smith said Wilson's election "brings to the board nearly 30 years of broad experience in markets very similar to those served by GAI." Hartford Steam Boiler is engaged in insurance underwriting, investments and engineering. The company's engineering operations are centered in the areas of boiler inspection, process and environmental control, environmental health and safety, and hazardous waste management.

Wilson joined Hartford Steam Boiler in 1962 as a special agent in the Philadelphia branch office. Following a number of promotions in marketing and underwriting, he was elected an assistant vice president in 1970. In 1971, he became vice president of marketing and branch office administration; in 1985, senior vice president, and in 1988, executive vice president.

He is a director of The Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company of Canada, a company of Hartford Steam Boiler, and is also on the board of the American Insurance Association.

Active in community affairs, Wilson is president of the board of trustees of Watkinson School, a member of the board of trustees of the Bushnell Park Foundation and a director of Junior Achievement of North Central Connecticut.

A graduate of Georgetown University, he served as an officer in the U.S. Navy from 1958 to 1962. Wilson resides in Glastonbury, Conn.

Gilbert is the parent company of Gilbert/Commonwealth, a leading supplier of consulting engineering; United Energy Services, which provides operational services primarily to operators of power generating facilities; Resource Consultants, a defense services company; GAI- Tronics, a supplier of specialized communications systems, and Green Hills Management Co., a real estate development unit.

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#90348p3437 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK) today announced the formation of a Commercial Imaging Group responsible for commercial sales of information products and systems marketed worldwide by Kodak and within this group, an Electronic Imaging organization where capabilities critical to new imaging directions will be housed.

Formation of the new Commercial Imaging Group (CIG) places responsibility for Information Segment operations and results within one organization instead of two (the Commercial Systems and the Imaging Information Systems Groups formed in 1989). Allied units, such as customer service and support operations, are also lodged within CIG.

The Electronic Imaging (EI) organization will house core product platforms and manufacturing capabilities critical to Kodak's current and future thrusts in the worldwide imaging business. EI comprises the Kodak Apparatus Division, the company's steward for high-volume manufacturing, the Government Systems Division, and units that supply proprietary technology and products to other Kodak business units for image capture, processing, storage and printing. Additionally, the organization will develop indirect markets -- such as the original-equipment-manufacturer channel -- for its core products. The EI organization will report to the Commercial Imaging Group, from which it will receive staff and commercial sales support.

"By forming the Commercial Imaging Group, we will not only enhance the

cohesiveness of our research, product development and manufacturing efforts, but we also will intensify our focus on customers," said Kay R. Whitmore, Kodak chairman, president and chief executive officer.

"As the Commercial Imaging Group clarifies and identifies customer needs, we can link those needs more directly than at any time in the past to product development and other activities within the Electronic Imaging organization. EI also will provide electronic imaging solutions and technology to meet the needs of customers served by units of the Photographic Products Group and the Health Group."

SPECIFIC COMPONENTS The Commercial Imaging Group consists of the Copy Products Division, Graphics Imaging Systems Division, Business Imaging Systems Division, Customer Equipment Services Division, Support Operations, the Information Segment marketing operation (formerly Imaging Information Systems marketing), and staff organizations currently supporting the segment. The company named Frank P. Strong Jr. general manager, Commercial Imaging Group; he currently is a company group vice-president and general manager, Commercial Systems.

The Electronic Imaging organization comprises the Government Systems Division, Image Acquisition Products Division, Integration and Systems Products Division Kodak Apparatus Division, Mass Memory Division, Printer Products Division and the Electronic Imaging Research Labs (formerly called the Imaging Information Systems Research Labs). Lawrence J. Matteson was elected a senior vice-president and appointed general manager, Electronic Imaging organization; he currently is group vice-president and general manager, Imaging Information Systems.

"We view this realignment as the logical next step toward our long- range strategy to be the world's best in imaging," Whitmore said.

CONTACT: John LaBella of Eastman Kodak Company, 716-724-5130

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#90348p3441 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PALMERTON, PA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Horsehead Resource Development Co., Inc. (NASDAQ: HHRD), and Memtek Corporation (BOSTON: MTK.B) of Billerica, Mass., jointly announced today that the two companies signed a letter of intent for the acquisition of Memtek Corporation (Memtek) by Horsehead Resource Development Co., Inc. (HRD).

The proposed acquisition in which HRD intends to acquire all of the outstanding stock of Memtek for cash is subject to the signing of a definitive agreement, the approval of the respective boards of directors of HRD and Memtek and the approval of Memtek shareholders. The proposed transaction is based on a purchase price which Memtek currently estimates would result in an aggregate payment to Memtek stockholders of approximately $1.5 million,

subject to reduction in certain circumstances. HRD has also agreed to provide limited credit facilities to Memtek until closing of the proposed acquisition.

The joint announcement was made by James H. Davis, president and CEO of HRD, and Robert Birch, chairman and president of Memtek. They indicated that, "We are very pleased with the prospect of combining our respective technological and marketing strengths. This acquisition will significantly broaden the range of environmental services which either company currently provides. It will substantially increase both access and distribution to the wastewater and ground water treatment markets for the Ecosorb(R) products of HRD. The acquisition will also provide HRD with enhanced access to inorganic metal-bearing sludge generators for the recovery of products such as copper through its high temperature metals recovery (HTMR) technologies -- an estimated market in excess of $100 million. Memtek's diverse physicochemical technology for metals-contaminated wastewater treatment also provides systems and equipment that can be marketed through HRD's international joint venture affiliations. HRD's strong financial condition will increase Memtek's ability to respond to opportunities in the wastewater treatment market. Each organization brings strong technology, engineering and product capabilities to the combined entity."

HRD is an environmental service company and the industry leader in hazardous waste resource recovery through the recycling of electric arc furnace dust for the recovery of zinc and other useful products.

HRD recently introduced Ecosorb systems to the market as a product for the removal of certain heavy metals from industrial wastewater and ground water.

Memtek is a leading provider of advanced wastewater treatment systems for assured performance. In particular, Memtek offers membrane filtration systems an components as well as in exchange/electrolytic recovery systems for metals-contaminated industrial wastewater. Its revenue from the fiscal year ending March 31, 1990 was $8.6 million. HRD intends to operate Memtek as a subsidiary, with Birch remaining as president.

CONTACT: Robert L. Hoguet, 212-527-3025, or Gene W. Krause, 215-826-8608, both of HRD; or Ben Freeman of Memtek, 508-667-2828

-30- 3295

#90348p3444 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - FAG Finance Corporation announced today that it had extended its previously announced tender offer for all shares of common stock of The Barden Corporation (NASDAQ: BARD). The tender offer had been set to expire at 5 p.m., New York City time, on Friday, Dec. 14, 1990. As a result of today's extension, the tender offer and withdrawal rights thereunder will now expire at 6 p.m., New York City time, on Thursday, Dec. 20 1990. FAG Finance Corporation is a corporation formed by FAG Bearings

Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of FAG Kugelfischer Georg Schaefer KGaA.

FAG Finance stated that the Barden tender offer was being extended to permit the conditions to the tender offer, including the expiration of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act, to be satisfied.

FAG Finance stated that on Dec. 6, 1990, Barden delivered to FAG Bearings Corporation the "negative declarations" required by the Connecticut Environmental Transfer Law with respect to each property owned, leased or operated by Barden in Connecticut.

FAG Finance stated that it had been advised by The First National Bank of Boston, the depositary for the offer, that as of the close of business on Dec. 13, 1990, 1,066,545 shares of common stock had been tendered and not withdrawn.

CONTACT: Ruth Pachman or Roanne Kulakoff of Kekst and Company, 212- 593-2655, for FAG Finance

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#90348p3449 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) today announced it has signed a new one-year revolving credit agreement for $750 million with 21 leading United States and international banks. The new agreement replaces $710 million of committed credit lines that expired last month.

"The fact that this agreement was heavily oversubscribed reflects the banks' continued confidence in McDonnell Douglas," said Herbert J. Lanese, the company's senior vice president-finance.

"This agreement provides us with the resources we need to continue investment in MD-11 inventory during delivery rate buildup," Lanese said.

"Several of our major programs are beginning to make the transition from investment-intensive development to revenue- generating production," he said. "Deliveries of the MD-11 will accelerate in the coming year now that the new wide-cabin trijet has received certification. Completion of the first C-17 will occur next week, leading to release of funds for continued production."

The new agreement is in addition to McDonnell Douglas' two multi- year revolving credit agreements totalling $1.4 billion that were renegotiated in May.

Of the 21 banks participating in the new agreement, 10 are new to McDonnell Douglas' group of revolving credit banks.

Acting as co-agents for the new agreement are: Amsterdam- Rotterdam Bank

N.V.; Bankers Trust Company; Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association, The Chase Manhattan Bank (National Association); Citibank, N.A.; The First National Bank of Chicago; and Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York. The Bank of New York and Barclays Bank PLC are lead managers.

The other participating banks are: Banca Commerciale Italiana; Banco di Roma S.P.A.; Banque Nationale de Paris; First Interstate Bank of California; Mercantile Bank of St. Louis N.A.; The National Commercial Bank; The Nippon Credit Bank, Ltd; Osterreichische Landerbank, A.G.; State Bank of South Australia; The Sumitomo Bank, Ltd.; Union Bank; and Westpac Banking Corp.

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#90348p3450 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Value Line, Inc. (NASDAQ: VALU) reported earnings for the second fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 or $2,679,000 or 27 cents per share as compared with $4,622,000 or 46 cents per share for the corresponding quarter of the previous year. Earnings for the first six months of the current fiscal year were $7,544,000 or 76 cents per share as compared with $3,695,000 or 37 cents per share in the corresponding period of the previous year.

In announcing these results, Jean Bernhard Buttner, Value Line's chairman and chief executive officer commented, "In a difficult market environment highlighted by economic uncertainty and stock prices which have declined significantly, our revenues are holding up well. Indeed, revenues from our publications, particularly the Value Line Investment Survey, have increased from the levels of a year ago. Operating income has declined during the second quarter from the previous year's levels, substantially because of the planned increase in advertising and promotion efforts during the current quarter which have returned more than their cost. Because of the way we account for revenues, most of this increased revenue will not be reflected until next year."

Value Line, Inc. is a major New York based investment advisory and money management firm. The Value Line Investment Survey is the nations's largest independent advisory service. In addition, the firm provides other financial advisory services which are produced in both printed and electronic form. Value Line also provides investment management services to the Value Line family of 12 no-load mutual funds and to institutional and individual portfolios through its asset management division.

VALUE LINE, INC.

Consolidated Summary of Financial Results

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

Periods rnded	Three months	Six months

Oct. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$15,589	$15,768	$31,677	$31,375
Operating income	4,813	6,146	10,335	(942)(A)
Investment income	(437)	856	1,887	6,540
Income before taxes	4,376	7,002	12,222	5,598(A)
Net income	2,679	4,622	7,544	3,695(A)
Earnings per share	.27	.46	.76	.37(A)

(A) Includes non-recurring loss.

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#90348p3451 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

YOUNGSTOWN, OH (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Commercial Intertech (NASDAQ: CTEK) today reported record sales for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ending Oct. 31, 1990. Fourth quarter sales were $127,446,000, up 10 percent from the $115,817,000 reported in fiscal 1989. Sales for the year were $453,075,000, an increase of 4 percent over 1989's total of $434,775,000.

Net income in fiscal 1990 was $27,607,000, or $2.04 per common share ($1.96 fully diluted) compared with $6,730,000 or $0.57 per share ($0.57 fully diluted) in 1989. Net income in 1990 benefited from non-recurring gains of $5,900,000 ($0.50) from settlement of a patent litigation suit and a gain on the sale of property in the United Kingdom of $2,744,000 ($0.22). Net income in 1989 was unfavorably affected by a loss from a discontinued business investment of $17,389,000 ($1.46).

Fourth quarter 1990 net income was $6,048,000, or $0.44 per share ($0.42 fully diluted) compared with a loss of $7,915,000, or $0.61 per share in 1989. Income from continuing operations was $7,655,000 ($0.59 per share) in 1989. The 1989 quarter included a non-recurring gain on the sale of the underground support division in the amount of $3,072,000 ($0.24) as well as the loss from the discontinued investment ($1.20).

Paul J. Powers, chairman, president and chief executive officer stated, "Sales in the fourth quarter were a company record led by excellent volume in the Astron building systems division in Europe. While sales were up 10 percent over last year, sales were boosted 7 percent by the decline of the U.S. dollar. Similarly, full year sales had a 2 percent assist from the decline of the dollar. A slowdown in some U.S. capital goods markets affected several domestic divisions as the year progressed.

"Operating profit before non-recurring items was down by 16 percent due to economic downturns in Brazil, the U.K., and unsatisfactory operating performance in the Fluid Purification Group." Powers went on to say that, "substantial operating changes as well as the elimination of expenses associated with the lengthy patent infringement suit should help this group

make a stronger profit contribution in 1991."

Powers also commented: "The economic outlook for 1991 may be influenced by the long-awaited U.S. economic recession and the Middle East crises. Signs of a slowdown have already affected incoming order rates of several divisions. All operating units of the company are taking steps to reduce costs and maintain sales penetration to minimize the impact of non-controllable economic conditions."

Commercial Intertech is a manufacturer of hydraulic components, fluid purification and engineered metal products.

Commercial Intertech Corp. and Subsidiaries
Statements of Consolidated Income
(in thousands except per share data)

	Three Months Ended October 31,	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$127,446	$115,817
Less costs and expenses:		
Cost of products sold	88,965	77,769
Selling, administrative and general expenses	25,850	22,656
Non-recurring items	(2)	2,304
Operating income	12,633	13,088
Non-operating income (expense):		
Interest expense	(2,257)	(883)
Other, net	895	3,231
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	11,271	15,436
Provision for income taxes	5,223	7,781
Income from continuing operations	6,048	7,655
(Loss) on discontinued operation	0	(15,570)
Net income	6,048	(7,915)
Per share of common stock:		
Primary:		
Income from continuing operations	$.44	$.59
Net income	$.44	$(.61)
Fully diluted:		
Income from continuing operations	$.42	$.59
Net income	$.42	$(.61)
Cash dividends per share	$.17	$.15

	Nine Months Ended October 31,	
	1990	1989
Net sales	$453,075	$434,775
Less costs and expenses:		

Cost of products sold	313,185	292,628
Selling, administrative and general expenses	94,564	88,018
Non-recurring items	(11,957)	6,234
Operating income	57,283	47,895
Non-operating income (expense):		
Interest expense	(6,170)	(6,595)
Other, net	(322)	3,133
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	50,791	44,433
Provision for income taxes	23,184	20,314
Income from continuing operations	27,607	24,119
(Loss) on discontinued operation	0	(17,389)
Net income	27,607	6,730
Per share of common stock:		
Primary:		
Income from continuing operations	$2.04	$2.03
Net income	$2.04	$0.57
Fully diluted:		
Income from continuing operations	$1.96	$1.95
Net income	$1.96	$0.57
Cash dividends per share	$.66	$.60

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NEW YORK (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Although revenue of The Hallwood Group Incorporated (NYSE: HWG) rose to $21.1 million in the first quarter ended Oct. 31, from $18.3 million in the same quarter last year, the company had a net loss of $362,000, or 6 cents per share, compared to a loss of $376,000, or 7 cents per share, last year.

Hallwood's affiliate, ShowBiz Pizza Time, Inc., contributed $1.1 million to income, primarily from Hallwood's 22 percent ownership of the company. Last year, when the ownership was 10 percent, Hallwood recognized a loss of $46,000 attributable to the closing of unprofitable restaurants.

Real estate operations resulted in a loss of $400,000 for the quarter, versus a gain of $26,000 last year. Although rental income climbed to $1.4 million as the newly developed office-retail complex in Brighton, England, reached full occupancy, the Holiday Inn-Lido Beach in Sarasota, Fla., was in its off-season.

Textile products operations showed a loss of $7,000 for the quarter, compared to last year's profit of $531,000 on about the same revenue. A different

product mix in the current-year quarter resulted in a lower gross margin than in the prior year.

Hallwood Energy Corporation produced $219,000 in income from its fee as general partner of Hallwood Energy Partners, L.P. (HEP), its 12 percent interest in HEP and profits from its separately owned oil and gas properties.

CONTACT: Allan E. Morris, director of corporate communications of The Hallwood Group Inc., 216-696-1111

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#90348p3457 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, S.C. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - RSI Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: RSIH) announces the following:

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS
($000 except per share data)

FOURTH QUARTER ENDED AUGUST 31, 1990	1990	1989
Net sales	$11,629	$13,771
(Loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	(38)	(906)
Income taxes	543	(118)
(Loss) from continuing operations (b)	(581)	(778)
(Loss) from discontinued operations (b)	(440)	(599)
Net (loss)	(1,021)	(1,387)
(Loss) per share: (a)		
(Loss) income from continuing operations	(.07)	(.10)
(Loss) from discontinued operations	(.06)	(.08)
Net (loss)	(.13)	(.18)

YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1990 AND 1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$52,328	54,835
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	157	(862)
Income taxes	615	51
(Loss) from continuing operations (b)	(458)	(811)
(Loss) from discontinued operations (b)	(327)	(844)
Net (loss)	(785)	(1,655)
(Loss) per share: (a)		
(Loss) income from continuing operations	(.06)	(.11)
(Loss) from discontinued operations	(.04)	(.11)
Net (loss)	(.10)	(.22)

(a) Loss per share computed on the basis of the weighted average number of shares outstanding during each period.

(b) Income tax expense relating to continuing and discontinued operations for the fourth quarter and year of fiscal 1990 include the write-off of deferred tax assets in the amount of $460,000 and $76,000, respectively. The deferred tax assets which were written off primarily relate to expenses recorded for financial purposes but not yet deducted for income tax purposes. The deferred tax assets were required to be written off because current accounting standards require that there is reasonable assurance that the deductions will be realized against taxable income. The Company believes that it will have taxable income in the future that will allow it to realize all or a portion of the tax benefits of these future tax deductions. There is presently no assurance that the Company's taxable income will be sufficient to allow it to realize all or a portion of these deferred tax assets.

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#90348p3461 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, VA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - NVR L.P. (AMEX: NVR) said today that it will not make the interest payments due Dec. 15, 1990, on its publicly traded bonds. Previously, the company characterized the payment as "very unlikely." The company also said that, consistent with an operational restructuring plan announced earlier, it is currently developing a financial restructuring plan. As part of that process, discussions have begun with advisors to certain holders of the bonds.

The company said that it did not expect to pay any further interest on these bonds until the financial restructuring plan is consummated. The company also reiterated an earlier statement that it is engaged in negotiations with its lending banks to continue providing working capital financing for its operations.

CONTACT: Doug Poretz of NVR L.P., 703-761-2010 or, after hours, 703-448-1312

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#90348p3463 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - E-Systems (NYSE: ESY) Montek Division, located in Salt Lake City, Utah, and Bell Helicopter Textron, a division of Textron Canada Ltd. have entered into a long term business agreement for the purchase by Bell of E-Systems manufactured flight control equipment for Bell's new Model 230 Intermediate twin-engined helicopter.

Initial orders for ship sets of E-Systems manufactured dual servoactuators and directional servoactuators for the Model 230 amount to approximately $4 million. Deliveries are presently planned to commence in January 1992 and continue through April 1994. E-Systems estimated the potential business from Bell Helicopter Textron to be approximately $25 million over the life of the

agreement.

The Model 230 helicopter is a significantly upgraded version of the previous Model 222 series aircraft, for which E-Systems Montek Division deliverd 200 ship sets of hydromechanical directional and dual servoactuators.

The Model 230 will have the option to be configured in an executive or utility version available in both wheeled and skid landing gear. The executive version will seat two pilots and nine passengers. The utility configuration will seat nine persons or cargo.

Under this long term business agreement, which will be in effect through Dec. 31, 1999, E-Systems will share the aftermarket spares responsibility for the 222, 230 and 230 derivative models with Bell Helicopter.

E-Systems, is a major worldwide developer and producer of electronic systems and products in the areas of intelligence, reconnaissance and surveillance systems, command and control, electronic warfare, specialized aircraft maintenance and modification, guidance, navigation and control, communications and data systems.

CONTACT: John E. Kumpf of E-Systems, 214-661-1000

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RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Crestar Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CRFC) announced today that it will increase its allowance for loan losses during the fourth quarter to approximately $145-150 million, in recognition of worsening regional economy and weakening local real estate markets. At the same time, the Board of Directors declared the company's regular quarterly dividend of $.33 per common share, payable January 30, 1991 to shareholders of record on January 10, 1991, and a dividend of $.7875 on Crestar's adjustable rate cumulative Preferred Stock, Series B, also payable January 30, 1991 to shareholders of record on January 10, 1991.

Crestar Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Richard G. Tilghman stated that "our regional economy has clearly moved into a recession, a situation exacerbated by the exodus of military personnel from the Hampton Roads area. In short, more and more of our customers are feeling the pinch of a deteriorating regional economy and, predictably, so are we."

Tilghman added, "It is important to recognize that although our decision to increase the loan loss reserve has a negative impact on fourth quarter earnings, Crestar's fundamental safety, soundness and financial strength are not affected. Our capital position remains strong, our reserve level solid and even after absorbing higher provisioning expense, Crestar will report a profitable year -- albeit not at the level we would have liked."

The company expects to report net income for the full year 1990 of approximately $55 to $65 million. Final results for the quarter and for the full year 1990 will be released on January 17.

This forecast assumes a fourth quarter provision for loan losses of approximately $55-65 million, compared to a third quarter provision of $19.7 million. It also assumes net charge-offs of approximately $35-40 million for the quarter. Nonperforming assets are expected to rise to approximately 3.00 percent of loans and other real estate owned at December 31, 1990.

With $12.7 billion in assets, Crestar Financial Corporation is the holding company for three banks with 270 banking offices in Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia. Other subsidiaries provide insurance, brokerage, mortgage banking, leasing and investment advisory services.

CONTACT: Barry Koling, Corporate Communications Director, 804-782-7845 office 804-378-0645 home, 804-358-0208 Friday Evening, or Janet S. McCabe, Investor Relations Director, 804-782-5619, both of Crestar Financial Corporation

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LOS ANGELES, (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. (NYSE: CHH) today announced that it has completed the sale of its wholly owned subsidiary, Thalhimers Brothers Inc., to the May Department Stores Co. for $317 million.

Thalhimers operates 26 stores in Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee.

Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. is the largest department store company in the western United States and operates 88 stores in six states through four divisions: The Broadway-Southern California, The Broadway-Southwest, Emporium and Weinstocks.

CONTACT: Bill Dombrowski, VP-Corporate Affairs (media), 213-239-6522, or E. Harlin Smith, VP-Investor Relations (analysts), 213-239-6626, of Carter Hawley Hale

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#90348p3469 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANDOVER, MD (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Herbert H. Haft, chairman of Dart Group Corporation (NASDAQ: DARTA), announced income before extraordinary items for the three months and nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 increased to $2,536,000 or $1.37 per share and $8,091,000 or $4.31 per share, respectively, compared with $1,806,000 or $.95 per share and $7,192,000 or $3.79 per share for the

same periods last year. Net income for the three and nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 increased to $2,545,000 or $1.37 per share and $8,100,000 or $4.31 per share, respectively, compared with $1,806,000 or $.95 per share and $6,969,000 or $3.67 per share for the same periods last year.

Revenue for the three months increased to $276,526,000 from $228,314,000 and for the nine months to $781,126,000 from $662,857,000 when compared with the same periods last year.

DART GROUP CORPORATION
(in thousands)
(except earnings per share)

	Three months ended Oct. 31		Nine months ended Oct. 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenue	$276,526	$228,314	$781,126	$662,857
Income before extraord. items	2,536	1,806	8,091	7,192
Extraordinary items:				
Income (loss) on reacquis. of debentures net of inc. tax benefit	9	--	9	(223)
Net income	2,545	1,806	8,100	6,969
Earnings per common share and common share equivalents				
Inc. bef. extraod. items	1.37	.95	4.31	3.79
Extraordinary items:				
Loss on reacquisition of debentures, net of income tax benefit	--	--	--	(.12)
Net income	1.37	.95	4.31	3.67
Weighted average shares outstanding	1,846	1,905	1,879	1,897
Dividends per share of Class A common stock	.033	.033	.10	.10

CONTACT: Stanley E. Rubenstein of Rubenstein, Wolfson & Co., 212-661-4343, for Dart Group Corporation

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#90348p3472 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Chicago Dock and Canal Trust, (NASDAQ: DOCKS), a publicly held real estate investment trust, today reported net income for its second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, of $1,250,000, or $.21 per share. The trust reported net income of $361,000, or $.06 per share for the same period in the prior fiscal year.

For the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, operations resulted in net income of $2,556,000 or $.44 per share. The trust reported net income for the same period in the prior fiscal year of $1,109,000, or $.19 per share.

During the second quarter, the trust declared a dividend of $.07 per share. This dividend compares to $.06 per share for the same period in the prior fiscal year.

The Chicago Dock and Canal Trust is a real estate investment trust engaged primarily in the business of owning real estate and interests in real estate for investment. The trust, formed in 1962, is the successor to the Chicago Dock and Canal Co., founded in 1857 by Chicago's first mayor, William Ogden. The trust's assets include ownership of a major interest in the Equitable Building and a substantial portion of the land at Cityfront Center, a major mixed-use development, both in Chicago.

The trust also owns Kipling Plaza (a 90,000-square-foot shopping center in suburban Denver), Lincoln Garden (a 73,000-square-foot office complex in Indianapolis), and One Michigan Avenue (a 144,000-square-foot office building in Lansing, Mich.).

CONTACT: Marti Dee of Edelman Public Relations, 312-280-7000, for Chicago Dock and Canal Trust; or David Tinkham of Chicago Dock and Canal Trust, 312-467-1870

-30- 1827

#90348p3475 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

UNIONDALE, N.Y. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Seaman Furniture Company, Inc., which is privately held, stated today that its second quarter report for the three months ending Oct. 31, 1990 has been mailed to the holders of its 12 percent junior subordinated notes due 1999 and filed with United States Trust Company of New York, as trustee.

For the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 Seaman reported an increase in net sales to $66.6 million as compared to $63.9 million for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989. Income from operations, before interest, amortization of intangibles and income taxes, was $1.31 million for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, which was slightly higher than the $1.29 million in income from operations for last year's second quarter.

Reflecting the benefits of the company's restructuring in November 1989, Seaman reported a net loss for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 of approximately $2.0 million, a $7.5 million improvement over last year's net loss of $9.5 million for the second quarter, which included an after-tax income benefit of $3.5 million. The company noted that these results are positive in light of the continuing downturn in the retail furniture market in the Northeast.

Interest expense for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 was $2.8 million, a 76.4 percent decrease from the same period last year of $12.0 million.

For the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990, net sales were $131 million, an increase of 2.3 percent over the $128 million for the same period last year, with same store sales being even when comparing these two periods. Seaman had a net loss for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990 of $3.1 million, an improvement of approximately 83 percent from the $17.9 million net loss for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1989, which included a $6.6 million tax benefit.

The company has opened six new stores in the current fiscal year: Orange, Conn. in June, 1990; Middletown, N.Y. in August, 1990; Poughkeepsie, N.Y. and Enfield, Conn. in October 1990; and Waterbury and Wethersfield, Conn. in November 1990. Early performances of these locations are meeting management's expectations.

Seaman's is the nation's second largest furniture retailer in the United States and the largest in the Northeast, operating 38 stores in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Pennsylvania.

Copies of the quarterly report may be obtained at Seaman's expense by contacting Peter McGeough, 516-745-1609.

CONTACT: Maureen Burgess of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Seaman Furniture Company

-30- 2747

#90348p3476 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled a meeting with the Niagara Mohawk Power Co. for 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 18, in the Lempges Training Center at the Nine Mile Point site.

The meeting is for a discussion of a report on the power ascension test program and utility self-assessment report recently sent by the company to the NRC staff as a step toward completing commitments for improvements made by Niagara Mohawk for the operation of Nine Mile Point plant 1, after it was shut down in December 1987. The plant was permitted to restart last July 27, with gradual increases of power up to full power. The public is invited to observe the meeting.

-0- 12/14/90 /CONTACT: Karl Abraham or Diane Screnci of the NRC, 215-337-5330/ CO: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Niagara Mohawk Power Company ST: New York IN: UTI SU:

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#90348p3477 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVONIA, MICH. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Fretter, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FTTR) today reported a 2.6-percent increase in net sales from $51.9 million in the three-month period ended Oct. 31, 1989, to $53.3 million in the three-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990. This increase reflects a decline in comparable store sales of $630,000 (1.3 percent) for the three-month period ended Oct. 31 1990.

The company attributed the modest sales increase in the three-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, compared to the prior year's same quarter, to new store openings offset by the small decrease in comparable store sales. The company attributes the improved comparable store sales figures, compared to the first six months of the year, in part to its aggressive merchandising.

The company reported a net loss of $489,000 (3 cents per share) for the three-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990. This compares to net earnings of $885,000 (6 cents per share) for the three-month period ended Oct. 31, 1989. The company reported a net loss for the nine-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, of $2.4 million. This compares to net earnings of $1.7 million for the nine-month period ended Oct. 31, 1989.

For the nine-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, the company reported a decline in net sales of 6.2 percent to $143.7 million at Oct. 31, 1990. This compares to net sales of $153.2 million at Oct. 31, 1989. This decline reflects a decline in comparable store sales of $13.3 million (9.5 percent) for the nine-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990. The company attributes the decline in sales for the nine-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990, primarily to the weak specialty retail environment in general coupled with highly competitive marketing areas. A comparable store for a given fiscal period is a store that was open for all of that period as well as all of the prior fiscal period of which a comparison is being made.

Fretter, Inc. is a leading specialty retailer of home entertainment products, consumer electronics and appliances with 60 store locations in Michigan, Illinois, Ohio, Indiana, Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

CONTACT: Dale Campbell of Fretter, Inc., 313-353-8511

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#90348p3478 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS, (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Holly Corp. (AMEX: HOC) today announced the declaration of a regular quarterly cash dividend in the amount of 12 cents per share payable on Jan. 11, 1991, to holders of record on Dec. 29, 1990.

Holly Corp., through its affiliates, Navajo Refining Co. and Montana Refining Co., is engaged in the refining of petroleum products.

CONTACT: E.I. Parsons of Holly Corp., 214-979-0210; or Lee Sneath of Dalton, Sneath & Co., 214-979-0090, for Holly Corp.

-30- 646

#90348p3480 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

VERO BEACH, FLA. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Dixon Ticonderoga Company (AMEX: DXT) reported a net loss in its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 -- a year of substantial restructuring and rebuilding, President Gino N. Pala announced today.

For the fourth quarter, the company reported a loss from continuing operations of $1,138,000 (or 37 cents a share), on revenues of $21,518,000, compared with a loss of $2,359,000 (or 77 cents per share) on revenues of $21,818,000 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. Net loss for the quarter was $2,324,000 (76 cents a share) reflecting a loss from discontinued operations of $1,186,000 (39 cents a share).

For the year, the company had a loss from continuing operations of $3,831,000 (or $1.25 per share) on revenues of $82,045,000, compared with a loss of $1,218,000 (or 40 cents per share) on revenues of $80,220,000 in fiscal 1989. Net loss for the year was $5,033,000 ($1.64 per share) reflecting a loss from discontinued operations of $1,202,000 (39 cents per share). The 1990 loss also reflects a nonrecurring pre- tax charge of $1,896,000 for restructuring costs.

The loss was due largely to varying factors, Pala said, based upon management decisions to address and restructure ongoing operational deficiencies and to embark on significant new strategies involving asset management and redeployment.

In addition, Pala explained, the 1990 results reflect the loss incurred in connection with the disposal of the Refractory products segment, which does not fit strategically into the company's future. The proceeds received will go toward the reduction of indebtedness.

Pala also explained that the company's strict inventory reduction program contributed to reduced indebtedness in 1990. Planned inventory reductions and asset disposals in 1991 are expected to further reduce indebtedness and related interest expense.

Dixon Ticonderoga Company is a diversified manufacturer and marketer of the well-known Dixon Ticonderoga, Wearever and Prang writing and art products, a producer of graphite and lubricant products and an operator of refractories.

CONTACT: Gino N. Pala of Dixon Ticonderoga Company, 407-231-3190; or Joe Graves of Investor Relations Associates, 708-858-0016, for Dixon Ticonderoga

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#90348p3486 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
LOS ANGELES (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Security Pacific President and Chief Executive Officer Robert H. Smith said that today's adjustments of its debt ratings are unjustified.

"We disagree with the adjustments of our ratings. The announcements we made earlier this week to strengthen out profitable core businesses, increase our reserves for credit losses, and disband our merchant bank will result in substantially stronger and more consistent future profitability. Security Pacific will be a company with significantly lower risk characteristics. The overall strengths of the corporation permit us to take these actions at this time, and we expect to report a profit of $160 million to $200 million for the year.

"Security Pacific has very large, solid and growing franchises throughout the western United States, producing strong earnings streams and a very healthy capital formation rate. We think that these ratings adjustments are unjustified, given Security Pacific's underlying strength and our long history of quality performance," Smith said.

CONTACT: David Garcia of Security Pacific, 213-345-5030

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#90348p3495 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
PONTIAC, MICH. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Perry Drug Stores, Inc. (NYSE: PDS) today reported its results for the fourth quarter and the 1990 fiscal year which ended Oct. 31.

Sales for the fourth quarter were $161 million compared to $162 million for the comparable period in 1989.

The company reported a fourth-quarter loss of $3.8 million, 37 cents per share compared to net earnings of $1.3 million, 13 cents per share, for the fourth quarter in 1989.

Sales for fiscal 1990 totaled $658 million, compared to sales of $670 million for the previous year.

Earnings from operations in fiscal 1990 before the effect of a change in an accounting method were $595,000, 6 cents a share. After applying the one-time charge for a change in accounting method of $6.8 million, 67 cents per share, the net loss for fiscal 1990 was $6.2 million, 61 cents a share, compared to net earnings of $7.1 million, 70 cents a share, in fiscal 1989.

In the fourth quarter of 1990, the company changed its method of accounting for store inventories from the retail method to a specific item cost method which more accurately reflects inventory value by eliminating the averaging and estimation inherent in the retail method.

CONTACT: Berl Falbaum of Perry Drug Stores, Inc., 313-334-1300

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#90348p3498 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, TEXAS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Tracor Holdings Inc., has named James B. Skaggs president and chief executive officer of Tracor Holdings. Skaggs, who was elected chairman of Tracor in March 1990, replaces William C. Moyer of California, Md., who recently announced his decision to retire from the company on Jan. 4, 1991.

"Bill Moyer has made significant contributions during the 30 years he has worked for Tracor," Skaggs said. "We thank him and congratulate him on his retirement."

Moyer joined Tracor as an engineer and progressed through a series of technical management positions leading to the position of group vice president of Tracor Applied Sciences in 1979. In 1983, he was named to Tracor's board of directors and served as a director until 1987, when Tracor was acquired by Westmark. In December 1989, he was named acting president and chief executive officer, and, in January, he received the full authority of the position.

Moyer received his B.S. in mechanical engineering from Southern Methodist University in 1959 and his Ph.D. in mechanical engineering from the University of Texas at Austin in 1966.

Moyer took advantage of an early retirement incentive offered for a short time by the company. Approximately 100 other employees from throughout Tracor are expected to retire under this program.

Skaggs has nearly 30 years of experience with defense companies and programs. In 1964, he joined the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), progressing through a series of management positions.

From 1971 to 1982, he served in a variety of senior positions with System Development Corp. (SDC), a corporation with annual sales of $250 million primarily from computer-based services and systems for government and industry. He was named SDC's chief operating officer (COO) in 1977 and president in 1981 and guided SDC through a successful acquisitions by Burroughs Corp.

Tracor, owned by privately held Westmark Systems Inc., is an international technological products, systems, and services company with headquarters in

Austin.

CONTACT: Marian Kelley of Tracor Holdings Inc., 512-929-2273

-30- 2363

#90348p3504 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, Mich. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Sandy Corporation (AMEX: SDY), a performance improvement organization specializing in consulting, training and communications reported fiscal 1990 revenues of $33,473,000, the second highest in its history and a three percent increase over the prior year.

SANDY CORPORATION

Financial Highlights Period ended

	Year		Three months	
Aug. 31,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$33,473,152	32,484,224	9,078,570	11,018,477
Cost & expenses	35,141,825	33,275,027	9,317,300	9,946,060
Other expenses, net	632,125	2,812,613	127,193	386,023
Inc. (loss) before taxes	(2,300,798)	(3,603,416)	(365,923)	686,394
Net income (loss)	(1,882,744)	(2,392,416)	(353,869)	477,394
Income (loss) per common share	(0.85)	(1.10)	(0.15)	0.23
Weighted average shares outstanding	2,203,291	2,168,884	2,239,492	2,172,214

CONTACT: Peter Steffes of Sandy Corporation, 313-649-0800

-30- 1297

#90348p3508 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Krelitz Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: KRLZ) reported today that sales from continuing operations for the six months were $127,607,000, as compared to $94,061,000 last year, a 36 percent increase. Income from continuing operations increased 59 percent to $502,000, or $.22 per share, as compared to $316,000, or $.14 per share, for the same period last year. Net income, including discontinued operations, for the six months was $520,000, or $.22 per share, versus $168,000, or $.08 per share, last year.

Sales from continuing operations were $66,024,000 for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, over sales of $48,098,000 for the same period last year. Income from continuing operations was $239,000, or $.10 per common share, compared to $150,000, or $.06 per share for the second quarter last year. Net income, including discontinued operations, for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 was $282,000, or $.12 per share, compared to $58,000, or $.02 per share, for the second quarter last year.

Higher sales volume across virtually all customers segments, combined with the addition of a significant new customer in June, account for the approximate $34 million increase over last year. The increased sales volume has resulted in improved profitability for continuing operations.

Krelitz Industries, Inc. is the largest independent drug wholesaler in the Upper Midwest. The company also distributes general merchandise and develops and markets computerized management systems.

The company's common stock is traded nationally over-the-counter under the NASDAQ symbol: KRLZ.

CONTACT: Barry M. Krelitz or Dennis J. Allingham of Krelitz Industries, Inc., 612-936-0401

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#90348p3518 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNRISE, FL. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Jan Bell Marketing, Inc. (AMEX: JBM) regretfully announces that Isaac Arguetty is resigning his position as executive vice president and co-chairman of the board of directors effective Dec. 31, 1990.

Arguetty stated: "Jan Bell has reached a level of maturity where my particular talents and skills are no longer needed given the management team that the company now has in place. I have the greatest confidence in the future of the company and the opportunities available to it and will continue to maintain my ownership position."

Arguetty is resigning to pursue personal interests abroad. Jan Bell is a leading provider of fine jewelry to the value- conscious consumer through power-format marketing programs to distribution channels that emphasize quality, credibility and consistent value.

CONTACT: Rosemary B. Trudeau, vice president-finance of Jan Bell Marketing, 305-846-2798, or Jay M. Green, 212-661-8030, or Kathy Waller, 312-266-7800, both of the Financial Relations Board, for Jan Bell Marketing

-30- 1238

#90348p3526 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Northwest Airlines and KLM Royal Dutch Airlines today announced a partnership involving their cargo operations in Canada.

Under the partnership, KLM Cargo Canada will market and sell the cargo products of both airlines throughout Canada.

"The coupling of both carriers' networks to and from Canada will provide Canadian shippers and importers from Halifax to Vancouver with global access to world markets by placing one call to either airline," said Stan Wraight, director of KLM Cargo for Canada.

Northwest will rely on KLM's 19-member staff to serve as a general sales agent for its cargo products in Canada.

KLM serves the Canadian cargo market at Halifax, Montreal (Mirabel), Ottawa, Toronto, Calgary and Vancouver. Northwest provides freight services at Montreal (Dorval), Toronto, Winnipeg and Edmonton.

"Under the KLM/Northwest alliance, we will be able to broaden Northwest's exposure to Canadian shippers through KLM's established network of sales representatives," said John Kempe, Northwest's director of cargo marketing and sales.

The partnership will open to Canadian shippers a true global cargo network, including 130 cities in the United States, 12 Asian destinations and nearly 150 trans-Atlantic cities.

CONTACT: Doug Miller, Bob Gibbons or Christy Clapp, of Northwest Airlines, 612-726-2331

-30- 1557

#90348p3528 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Banker's Note Inc. (NASDAQ: BKNT), an Atlanta-based chain of 75 specialty women's apparel stores, and Heirlooms Inc. the company's Philadelphia-based majority owned manufacturing subsidiary of women's apparel, reported a consolidated loss for the third quarter, ended Nov. 3, of ($559,000) compared with earnings of $23,000 a year earlier.

For the nine months the net loss was ($263,000) vs. earnings of $307,000 a year earlier.

Consolidated sales for the second quarter were $11,606,000 compared with sales of $12,060,000. Year-to-date sales were $37,604,000, compared with $31,183,000.

The loss per share was ($.17) in the third quarter compared with earnings of $.01 per share last year. For the nine months, the loss per share was ($.08) compared with earnings of $.09 in the prior year.

Management attributed the loss to depressed sales levels in September and October resulting from a decline in general economic conditions as evidenced by reduced consumer spending.

Management has taken steps to reduce expenses in an uncertain retail environment and in expectation of heavy promotional activity in the fourth quarter which will result in reduced operating margins.

CONTACT: Thomas J. Thirkell, chief financial officer of The Banker's Note, 404-432-0636

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#90348p3538 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARK RIDGE, ILL. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Brand Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: BRAN) announced today that Eugene L. Barnett, who has been chairman and chief executive officer and a member of the board of directors of Brand for almost 16 years, will retire, effective Feb. 28, 1991. Barnett will remain a member of the company's board and also will provide consulting services to Brand.

Upon Barnett's retirement, Victor J. Barnhart, president and chief operating officer of Brand, will assume the additional responsibilities of chief executive officer, and Jerry E. Dempsey will become chairman of the company.

Barnhart was elected president and a board member of Brand in October 1990. Previously, he served as president of Chem-Nuclear Systems, Inc., a subsidiary of Chemical Waste Management Inc. Dempsey, a member of Brand's board of directors, is president and chief executive officer of Chemical Waste Management.

The Brand Companies is the nation's leading supplier of asbestos abatement, scaffolding and related industrial and environmental services. Chemical Waste Management, which owns 55.9 percent of Brand's common stock, is the largest comprehensive hazardous waste management services company in the United States.

CONTACT: Harold W. Ingalls, vice president of The Brand Companies, 708-298-1200

-30- 1494

#90348p3541 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON, (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed Home Federal Bank for Savings, Waukegan, Ill., in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, Home Federal Savings Bank, F.A., will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift, and will operate in conservatorship under the management of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The takeover did not result in any interruption of Home Federal's day-to-day activities. The institution will remain open for business as usual. Holders

of insured accounts are not affected by the action, which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal limit.

OTS initiated the action because Home Federal was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition, with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

Home Federal's condition is due primarily to weak management, a high cost of funds, misclassification of assets and a high concentration of poorly underwritten commercial real estate loans. The commercial loan portfolio amounts to approximately 33 percent of total assets.

As of June 30, 1990, the institution had troubled assets of $41.3 million, or 11.4 percent of total assets, including $30.9 million in assets classified as substandard or loss. More than half of Home Federal's troubled commercial loans were made outside the institution's market area.

For the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, Home Federal reported an operating loss of $1.68 million and a net loss of $4.43 million. The institution is insolvent in that it has negative tangible capital.

Home Federal Bank for Savings was a federally chartered stock association wholly owned by board chairman Alan Pollack and his wife. They will retain no interest in the new institution.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, Home Federal Bank for Savings had assets of $348.1 million, including goodwill; liabilities of $339.7 million; and tangible capital of negative $2.49 million, for tangible capital-to-assets ratio of negative 0.72 percent.

CONTACT: Barbara Bara, 312-565-5865, or Marc Adams, 202-906-6677, both of the Office of Thrift Supervision

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#90348p3542 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, CA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - A Sherman Oaks family was victimized yesterday morning by two gun-wielding suspects who stole their 1990 Lexus automobile.

At approximately 6:45 a.m. on Thursday the family was accosted by two young men who forced their way into their home with semi-automatic pistols. The suspects demanded the keys to the car, which was parked in the garage, asking "Where's the lady with the black Lexus?" Although no shots were fired, at one point during the ordeal, the victim and one suspect struggled, with the victim sustaining a laceration to the head. The suspects then de-activated the Lexus' factory alarm system and fled in the car.

The vehicle was reported stolen at 7:30 a.m. Using the LoJack homing signal, Los Angeles Police Department police officers tracked the car down and located it at approximately 8:55 a.m. at Fourth and Western in Los Angeles. Further investigation is pending. The 13th successful recovery contributes to a 100 percent recovery rate for stolen LoJack vehicles in Los Angeles County.

Nationwide, the LoJack system has a 95 percent recovery rate in six states - Massachusetts, Florida, New Jersey, Michigan, Illinois, and California. The Los Angeles Stolen Vehicle Recovery Network also has netted two suspects being apprehended as they were driving the stolen LoJack-equipped vehicles; two auto theft rings uncovered with one case clearing 22 additional cases of auto thefts; and two cases of vehicles taken at gunpoint.

The LoJack recovery system is responsible for four arrests (30 percent arrest rate) with one additional suspect being indentified and arrest warrant issued.

LoJack, sold through new car dealerships and direct to after-market customers, has now installed several thousand cars with the new radio location technology. The Recovery System retails for $595 installed, with no additional fees or charges. It can be purchased by calling 1-800-LA LOJACK (1-800-525-6522), or by visiting one of over 300 authorized new car dealerships.

CONTACT: John Raber or Terry Soley of LoJack, (213) 286-2610.

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#90348p3550 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, (DEC 14) PR NEWSWIRE - ACA JOE Inc. today announced its results of operations for the third fiscal quarter which ended Oct. 27, 1990. The company lost approximately $3,445,000 on sales of approximately $2,583,000 or 15 cents per share which included a $1,000,000 provision (4 cents per share) for certain retail store dispositions. That compares with losses of $2,425,000 on sales of $3,182,000 or 24 cents per share in the same quarter last year.

The company plans to bolster and expand its wholesale and international operations, open additional retail outlet and franchise stores, and to renovate, sell or close certain non-profitable retail stores. The company is also presently negotiating for additional financing because its present primary source of funds, a credit line from its major shareholder, United Trend Holdings, B.V., is presently overdrawn and will expire on Feb. 1, 1991. There are no assurances that such new financing will be obtained.

ACA JOE Inc. is a specialty retailer and franchisor, headquartered in San Francisco with stores in the United States, Puerto Rico, Canada and Central America.

CONTACT: Val Hornstein or Debbie Rodine, both of ACA JOE Inc., 415-546-0558

-30- 1382

#90348p3551 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND, (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Mor-Flo Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: MORF) today reported that on December 13, 1990, the federal trial court found that there was no willful infringement and denied a request for increased damages against Mor-Flo and its wholly owned subsidiary, American Appliance Mfg. Corp. (together, the "Company"), in the previously reported patent infringement litigation brought against the Company by a competitor relating to a method of insulating gas water heaters with polyurethane foam. The case had been remanded to the U.S. District Court for Eastern Tennessee for reconsideration of the issue of willful infringement and increased damages.

Mor-Flo Industries, Inc. is a leading national manufacturer of gas, electric and solar water heaters, as well as related home heating products. The Company is headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio and has major manufacturing facilities in Johnson City and Chattanooga, Tennessee and Santa Monica, California.

Contact: Jerry Polster of Mor-Flo Industries, 216-663-7300

-30- 1205

#90348p3554 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

HASTINGS, MN. (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Genius Technologies, Inc., today announced plans to furlough 12 employees due to uncertain world- wide economic and business conditions.

"Retail sales have substantially declined in recent months necessitating this action," said Jerome B. Crary, chairman of the board, president and CEO. "However, several major OEM and corporate sales are nearing resolution which hopefully will occur in the next few weeks."

Genius Technologies, Inc., designs, produces and markets a line of high resolution full-page and dual full page display systems and controller cards for the microcomputing marketplace. The company's products are sold to Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs), general users in the desktop publishing, computer-aided design (CAD) and general office automation fields.

Currently GTI stock is traded on the local over-the-counter market.

CONTACT: Randall H. Pierce of Genius Technologies, Inc., 612-437-2233

-30- 1148

#90348p3562 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Ellerbe Becket, Inc., a Minnesota-based architectural and engineering firm with a large U.S. practice, announced today the opening of an international office in Tokyo, Japan. Managing director of the office is Gerald A. Simons, senior vice president, who will divide his time between Minneapolis and Tokyo.

Ellerbe Becket is a registered first-class architect in Japan, a requirement to obtaining work in that country. The firm is already designing an 800-bed hospital and a large resort hotel. According to Simons, Ellerbe Becket anticipates major growth in the Japanese design and construction market, especially in the areas of health care, commercial development, and entertainment and leisure.

"Opportunities in Japan range from modernization of medical facilities to the development of whole new towns on landfill in Tokyo Harbor. As the U.S. construction industry continues to plateau, it's essential that large firms encourage a global perspective. Opening an office in Tokyo is Ellerbe Becket's way of ensuring stability and growth for its practice," said Simons.

Ellerbe Becket has teamed up with an associate firm, Sato Kogyo Co., Ltd., to pursue work in Japan. With 5,000 employees and a number of offices and subsidiaries, Sato Kogyo is Japan's 10th largest design and construction company. Simons said that associating with a respected Japanese firm has strengthened and facilitated Ellerbe Becket's marketing and communication efforts in that country.

Ellerbe Becket was founded in Minnesota in 1909. In addition to Minneapolis and Tokyo, the firm has offices in New York City, Washington, D.C., St. Louis, Kansas City, and Los Angeles. Ellerbe Becket has earned a number of design awards in recent years, including citations for design excellence from Progressive Architecture in 1986, 1988, 1989 and 1990. The firm's major long-time clients include the Mayo Clinic, the University of Notre Dame, 3M Company, and State Farm Insurance Companies.

CONTACT: Jeanne Aamodt of Ellerbe Becket, Inc., 612-853-2372 or 612-489-4283 (home)

-30- 2293

#90348p3577 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Southmark Corp. (NASDAQ: SMRKP) was today informed that its San Jacinto Savings Association unit has been placed in receivership by federal thrift regulators.

Since Nov. 30, 1990, San Jacinto has operated under the conservatorship of the Resolution Trust Corp. As previously reported, San Jacinto fell short of the capital requirements mandated by the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery

and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA).

Southmark is a real estate services company based in Dallas.

CONTACT: Susan A. Seiter for San Jacinto Savings Association, 214-406-6600

-30- 763

#90348p3578 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Bonneville Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: BPCO), reported second quarter revenues of $32,410,000 resulting in a loss of $25,872,000 or $1.94 per share for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. Total revenues for the year to date are $61,320,000, resulting in a loss of $26,977,000, or $2.06 per share.

Bonneville's Chairman of the Board, Robert L. Wood, noted that the second quarter loss was expected and reflects the previously announced write-off of approximately $13.2 million of project development costs and the recording of reserves for the estimated decline in value of its Kyocera electric generating facility and its food processing plant in California totaling $6.5 million.

For the corresponding quarter of the previous fiscal year, Bonneville Pacific had a loss of $641,000 or 5 cents per share on revenues of $13,123,000. Revenues for the first six months of the previous year were $23,077,000 with a loss of $1,947,000 or 15 cents per share.

Per share amounts are based on 13,339,778 and 12,908,522 weighted average shares outstanding during the second quarter of fiscal 1990 and 1989, respectively.

CONTACT: Investor Relations of Bonneville Pacific, 801-363-2520

-30- 1398

#90348p3588 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) today placed Olympic Federal Savings and Loan Association, Berwyn, Ill., in receivership and chartered a new federal mutual institution to take its place.

The new institution, Olympic Federal Savings Association, will assume certain assets and liabilities of the old thrift, and will operate in conservatorship under the management of the Resolution Trust Corporation.

The receivership did not result in any interruption of Olympic's day-to-day operations. The institution and its 16 full-service branches will remain open for business as usual. Holders of insured accounts are not affected by the action, which was taken by OTS to protect insured depositors and the interests of the thrift insurance fund. Deposits remain insured to the $100,000 legal

limit.

OTS initiated the action because Olympic was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition in that it had insufficient capital, with no prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

Olympic's condition is due primarily to a substantial amount of goodwill assumed in supervisory mergers with four troubled institutions in 1982, producing a severe drag on operating income.

Income from loan sales and from the liquidation of bad assets acquired through those mergers sustained the institution for a time. By 1988, however, the proceeds were insufficient to offset operating losses.

Olympic's deterioration was compounded by mergers with two additional institutions in 1984. The poor condition of those thrifts resulted in an increase in Olympic's regulatory net worth requirement, forcing the institution to eliminate its goodwill more quickly.

As of Oct. 31, 1990, Olympic had $113.9 million in goodwill remaining on its books. The institution had net losses of $2.62 million in the fourth quarter of 1989, and $11.8 million through Oct. 31, 1990. The institution is insolvent in that it has negative tangible capital.

Since August 1989, the institution had been operating under regulatory restrictions that limited growth and the acquisition of brokered deposits. Since January 1990, loan originations and purchases had been limited to one-to-four-family mortgages that met secondary market underwriting standards.

CONTACT: Barbara Bara, 312-565-5865, or Marc Adams, 202-906-6677, both for the Office of Thrift Supervision

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#90348p3589 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - D. Ross Fitzpatrick, president of Viceroy Resource Corp., (Toronto, Vancouver: VOY) announced that the 700,000 common share offering was closed in Toronto today. The common shares were issued through the conversion of 700,000 special warrants previously issued by Bunting Warburg Inc. at a price of $4.75 per special warrant. The net proceeds of $3,025,000 have been received by the company.

CONTACT: D. Ross Fitzpatrick of Viceroy Resource Corp., 604-688-9780

-30- 679

#90348p3593 12/14/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 14) PR NEWSWIRE - Comerica Bank-Texas, in a transaction assisted

by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), has acquired the deposits and some of the assets of the Peoples State Bank of Dallas.

Peoples State Bank has approximately $33 million in deposits and operates one office at 6510 Abrams in Dallas.

Banking regulators closed the bank Friday, Dec. 14. The drive- through window will reopen for business on Saturday, Dec. 15, and the branch will be open for regular business hours beginning Monday, Dec. 17.

This is the eighth federally assisted transaction for Comerica Bank-Texas this year. The company has more than $1.1 billion in assets, and services customers through 21 office locations in the greater Dallas area.

CONTACT: Joe Goyne or Robin Roberts, 214-841-1401 or 214-341-6100, both of Comerica Bank-Texas

-30- 1021

#90348t3746 12/14/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 14) TASS - THE SOVIET UNION AND SOUTH KOREA SIGNED AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION HERE TODAY.

THE SIDES AGREED TO DEVELOP SCIENTIFIC TIES RELYING ON EQUALITY AND MUTUAL BENEFIT AND TO IDENTIFY, BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT, AREAS OF THIS COOPERATION.

THE AGREEMENT ENVISAGES EXCHANGES OF SCIENTISTS, RESULTS OF RESEARCH, LAUNCHING JOINT SCIENTIFIC PROJECTS AND VERSATILE FORMS OF INTERACTION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES' SCIENTISTS.

FOR THE SOVIET SIDE, THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED BY NIKOLAI LAVEROV, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER OF THE USSR AND CHAIRMAN OF THE USSR STATE COMMITTEE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, AND FOR THE SOUTH KOREAN SIDE - BY KIM JING HYONG, MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

LAVEROV TOLD TASS AFTER THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED THAT THE USSR HAD NOT SEEN SUCH A DYNAMIC DEVELOPMENT OF SCIENTIFIC CONTACTS WITH A SINGLE COUNTRY. HE SAID COOPERATION ENVISAGED NOT ONLY THE TRADITIONAL EXCHANGE OF SCIENTISTS. THE MAIN EMPHASIS WILL BE PUT ON MERGING SOVIET TECHNOLOGIES WITH THE SOUTH KOREAN EXPERIENCE IN TECHNOLOGY APPLICATION AND ON LAUNCHING, ON THEIR BASIS, JOINT VENTURES.

LAVEROV SAID THAT THE SIDES WOULD SOON BEGIN IMPLEMENTING OVER 70 SOVIET DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN THE FIELD OF ADVANCED MATERIALS, HIGH-TEMPERATURE SUPERCONDUCTIVITY, BIO-ENGINEERING, NUCLEAR POWER ENGINERING AND IN OTHER AREAS.

LAVEROV ALSO SAID THAT A SOVIET-KOREAN SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH CENTER WAS PLANNED

TO BE SET UP IN SOUTH KOREA.

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#90348t3747 12/14/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (DEC. 14) TASS - PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV HAS DECIDED TO DONATE HIS NOBEL PRIZE MONEY TO HEALTH PROTECTION. HE ANNOUNCED HIS DECISION IN THE KREMLIN TODAY AFTER ANATOLY KOVALYOV, THE FIRST DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER WHO HAD BEEN TO OSLO AS THE PRESIDENT'S ENVOY, PRESENTED TO HIM THE NOBEL DIPLOMA, MEDAL AND THE MONEY CHEQUE.

GORBACHEV ADDED THAT THE PRIZE MONEY, INCLUDING THE RECENTLY RECEIVED ITALIAN FIUGGI PRIZE, HAS AMOUNTED TO 1,167,000 U.S. DOLLARS.

"WHEN THINKING HOW TO DISPOSE OF THIS MONEY," GORBACHEV SAID, "I DECIDED THAT IT SHOULD SERVE CHILDREN IN THE FIRST PLACE, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO FOUND THEMSELVES IN ECOLOGICAL DISASTER ZONES AND ARE IN NEED OF SPECIAL CARE AND TREATMENT.

SO I WILL DIRECT THE MONEY BE USED TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING MEDICAL ESTABLISHMENTS: THE CHILDREN'S WARD OF THE REGIONAL CLINIC OF THE CITY OF MOGILEV (BYELORUSSIA), THE IVANKOVO DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN THE KIEV REGION, THE DISTRICT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IN NUKUS OF THE KARAKALPAK AUTONOMOUS REPUBLIC IN UZBEKISTAN, THE DISTRICT CLINIC IN THE CITY OF ARALSK IN KAZAKHSTAN, THE REPUBLICAN CHILDREN'S CLINIC IN MOSCOW AND THE SURGICAL CLINIC OF MOSCOW'S HOSPITAL NUMBER ONE.

GORBACHEV SAID THAT THE MONEY HE RECEIVED FOR THE PUBLICATION OF HIS BOOK ABOUT PERESTROIKA IN THE USSR, A TOTAL OF 1,850,000 U.S. DOLLARS, HAS BEEN DONATED BY HIM TO HEALTH SERVICES AND CULTURAL PROJECTS. PART OF THIS MONEY HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED TO THE PARTY BUDGET.

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#90348t3762 12/14/1990 ~ts
ANKARA (DEC. 14) TASS - SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE AND HIS TURKISH COUNTERPART, AHMED KURTCEBE ALPTEMUCIN, HELD THE SECOND ROUND OF TALKS HERE TODAY.

AFTER THE TALKS, THE SIDES SIGNED SOVIET-TURKISH DOCUMENTS: AN AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION IN FISHERIES, MUTUAL ENCOURAGEMENT AND PROTECTION OF FOREIGN INVESTMENTS, LEGAL AID IN CIVIL, TRADE AND CRIMINAL CASES AND COOPERATION IN COMBATTING ILLICIT TRAFFICKING OF NARCOTICS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES AND THEIR ABUSE.

SHEVARDNADZE INVITED HIS COLLEAGUE TO VISIT THE SOVIET UNION. THE INVITATION WAS ACCEPTED WITH GRATITUDE.

-30- 759
#90348t3763 12/14/1990 ~ts
RIGA (DEC. 14) TASS - SOME 4,000 COMPLAINTS AND APPLICATIONS ABOUT HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THE LATVIAN SALVATION COMMITTEE THIS YEAR. THEY DESCRIBE VIOLATIONS OF NOT ONLY SOVIET CONSTITUTIONAL FUNDAMENTALS BUT ALSO INTERNATIONAL NORMS.

COMMENTING ON THESE COMPLAINTS, PRESIDIUM MEMBER OF THE LATVIAN COMMITTEE ALEXEI LITVINENKO SAID THAT THE LATVIAN PEOPLE'S FRONT (LPF) AND ITS GROUP IN THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT "ARE OPENLY AND HURRIEDLY PREPARING TO BREAK OFF COMPLETELY WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND TO ESTABLISH A TOTALITARIAN SEMI-NAZI REGIME".

LAWS ADOPTED RECENTLY BY THE REPUBLICAN PARLIAMENT WHERE THE MAJORITY IS CONTROLLED BY THE LPF, PROMPT THE FOLLOWING CONCLUSION: THE SLOGAN "THE RIGHTS OF A NATION ARE ABOVE HUMAN RIGHTS" DOMINATES THE LATVIAN STATE POLICY.

LITVINENKO DESCRIBED THE RECENTLY ADOPTED LAWS AND DECISIONS TO FORM LAW AND ORDER DETACHMENTS, ESTABLISH LAND BORDERS WITH THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, BYELORUSSIA, LITHUANIA AND ESTONIA AND TO REPEAL STATE HOLIDAYS OF THE USSR IN LATVIA AS A VIOLATION OF THE USSR AND LATVIAN CONSTITUTIONS.

IN ADDITION, HE CONTINUED, LATVIA REFUSED TO GRANT PRIVILEGES TO INVALIDS AND PARTICIPANTS IN THE GREAT PATRIOTIC WAR, 1941-1945, PROVIDED FOR BY SOVIET LEGISLATION. THE REPUBLIC DEPRIVED THIS CATEGORY OF PEOPLE OF PREFERENTIAL MEDICAL AID.

REJECTING A PLAN FOR NEW HOUSING CONSTRUCTION TO MEET THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE ON THE WAITING LIST, THE REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT HOPES TO RESOLVE THIS PROBLEM DUE TO THE OUTFLOW OF RUSSIAN-SPEAKING POPULATION FROM THE REPUBLIC.

IN LITVINENKO'S OPINION, THERE IS GROWING DISCRIMINATION AGAINST PEOPLE AND SOCIAL GROUPS, ESPECIALLY SERVICEMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES. THEY DO NOT RECEIVE FOOD COUPONS, MEDICAL ESTABLISHMENTS REFUSE TO GIVE THEM MEDICAL AID, AND THEY ARE NOT HIRED AT FACTORIES AND OFFICES.

THEIR CHILDREN ARE BARRED FROM CRECHES, KINDERGARTEN AND SCHOOLS.

LITVINENKO STRESSED THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO REPEAL LAWS AND DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE LATVIAN PARLIAMENT AND GOVERNMENT, WHICH RUN COUNTER TO THE SOVIET CONSTITUTION, AND TO CALL TO ACCOUNT THOSE WHO ARE GUILTY OF FANNING UP ETHNIC STRIFE AND OF VIOLATING THE SOVIET PRESIDENT'S DECREES.

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#90348u0081 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 14) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Miami at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Boston, 8 p.m.
Houston at Washington, 8 p.m.
LA Clippers at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Dallas at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

GOLF

The Champions Senior Classic at Hyatt Dorado Beach, Puerto Rico.

HOCKEY

Pittsburgh at Buffalo, 7:35 p.m.
NY Rangers at Vancouver, 10:35 p.m.

TENNIS

Munich, Germany - Grand Slam Cup

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#90348u0087 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 14) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

California - Announced outfielder Max Venable has agreed to arbitration.

Chicago (AL) - Named Buddy Bell director of instruction for minor leagues; Tony Franklin manager of Birmingham of Texas League (AA); Rick Patterson manager of Sarasota of Florida State League (A); Rick Renick manager of Sarasota of Rookie League (A).

Cleveland - Released infielder Mark McLemore.

Colorado Springs (PCL) - President and general manager Fred Whitacre resigned.

Minnesota - Reached an agreement with reliever Terry Leach on a 1-year contract.

NY Mets - Signed free-agent outfielder Terry Puhl to 1-year contract.

St. Louis - Agreed to terms with free-agent first baseman Gerald Perry on a 3-year, $3.3 million contract.

BASKETBALL

Cleveland - Signed free-agent guard Mike Woodson; placed forward Winston Bennett on injured list.

San Jose (CBA) - Signed guard Scooter Barry; placed guard Larry Anderson on injured reserve; waived forward John Trezvant.

COLLEGE

Arizona - Announced resignation of football program coordinator Rob Bernardi, who accepted a position as assistant commissioner of the American South Conference.

Austin Peay - Football coach John Palermo resigned.

Midwestern Collegiate Conference - Named Geoffrey Bannister of Butler president of MCC Council of Presidents.

Purdue - Named Bobby Turner offensive coordinator and Moe Ankney defensive coordinator.

Tulane - Named Tom Peters acting athletic director.

Washburn - Named Dennis Caryl football coach.

HOCKEY

Minnesota - Recalled defenseman Pat MacLeod from Kalamazoo of the International Hockey League.

NY Rangers - Assigned defenseman Dennis Vial to Binghamton of the American Hockey Legue.

Pittsburgh - Traded center Jiri Hrdina to the Calgary Flames for defenseman Jim Kyte.

St. Louis - Recalled right wing Steve Tuttle from Peoria of the International Hockey League.

-30- 2113

#90348u0097 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 14) UPI - Brigham Young quarterback Ty Detmer, who set an NCAA record with 5,188 passing yards this season, was named Thursday as winner of the Maxwell Award, presented to the best college football player in the nation.

Detmer, a junior who won the Heisman Trophy earlier this month, received 1,993 points in the voting conducted by the Maxwell Football Club of Philadelphia.

Notre Dame's Raghib Ismail was second with 1,385 points, Colorado running back Eric Bieniemy was third with 747 points, and Virginia quarterback Shawn Moore was fourth with 431 points.

Detmer completed 361 of 562 passes this season and threw for 41 touchdowns while giving up 28 interceptions.

In his career, he has completed 709 of 1,127 passes for 11,000 yards and 86 touchdowns with 53 interceptions.

Detmer, who already holds 42 NCAA records, has announced that he plans to return to BYU for his senior season.

The Maxwell Club also named Penn State's Joe Paterno as winner of its award for college coach of the year.

Paterno's Nittany Lions lost their first two games of the season, then won nine straight and earned a berth in the Blockbuster Bowl, where they will play Florida State.

-30- 1413

#90348u0103 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

RICHMOND, Va. (DEC. 14) UPI - Buddy Earl Justus, believed to be the only man under a death sentence in three states, was executed Thursday night for the 1978 rape and murder of a pregnant nurse.

Justus, 38, was pronounced dead at 11:06 p.m. EST in the electric chair at the State Penitentiary in downtown Richmond. Justus, who had suspended his final appeals, said in an interview hours earlier he ''was ready to go to a better place.''

Justus was condemned to die for the Oct. 3, 1978 rape and murder of Ida Mae Moses, a nurse of Ironto, Va., who was 8 1/2 months pregnant when Justus broke into her home, sexually assaulted her and shot her in the head.

Justus, who was abused as a child and went on to marry and divorce his foster mother, had asked Gov. L. Douglas Wilder to either commute his sentence to life or watch the execution in person, but Wilder refused.

Justus dined on steak and French fries for a last meal.

As he entered the death chamber Thursday night, Justus nodded twice to the man who had investigated the Moses murder and took his confession, Montgomery

County Sheriff Louis Barber.

Prison Chaplain Russ Ford told Justus shortly before a mask was placed over the condemned killer's face, ''Be strong. You'll move on.''

Justus made no final statement.

''He died with a great deal more dignity than his victim did,'' Barber told media witnesses afterwards inside the chamber.

Justus also was under death sentences in Florida and Georgia for the murders of saleswoman Stephanie Hawkins in Tampa, Fla., and Rosemary Jackson, a housewife in Mountain Park, Ga., before his Oct. 11, 1978 arrest.

His lawyer says Justus suffers from brain damage, but in an interview with Roanoke radio station WFIR, Justus accepted responsibility for the crimes, while citing his history of drug use and an abusive father.

''I was able to forgive myself. I'm at peace with myself. I'm ready to go to a better place,'' he said. ''In order to be forgiven, you've got to forgive others.

''I still take the responsibility solely for myself because I wasn't strong enough to turn away'' and avoid drugs and handle the child abuse, he said. ''I hold responsibility for my actions because I should have been strong enough to resist those drugs.''

He also said he was prepared to die in Virginia's electric chair though he opposes capital punishment.

''We are supposed to be a society that's supposed to be caring ... and that to continue capital punishment is taking steps backward. There's better ways to deal with it than to take lives.''

He said he tried to commit suicide at Mecklenburg Correctional Center several months ago because he felt no useful purpose any longer.

On Wednesday, attorney James Copacino said he persuaded Justus, who has refused to continue his appeal, to allow him to petition the governor for clemency. The petition was based on new tests that reveal the killer suffers from organic brain damage.

''It's a real outside shot,'' said Copacino, a Georgetown University law professor. ''A lot of people disagreed with my decision not to file anything in court on Buddy's behalf.''

Earlier this week, Wilder, who has refused to intervene in two previous executions this year, indicated he would allow the execution to proceed unless

some startling new evidence emerged.

Copacino extended an invitation to Wilder to witness the execution at the State Penitentiary if he were to deny clemency, but the governor rejected it.

Justus, the oldest of seven children, was beaten repeatedly by his alcoholic father. At age 13, officials say he intentionally stole a pistol, bicycle and a truck so that welfare officials would remove him from his home.

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#90348u0133 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 14) UPI - A House panel heard a series of sketches from defense analysts and retired military men. They told the panel what a war to liberate Kuwait might look like. And they said thousands of people could be killed or wounded. One retired colonel said U-S casualties in an allied assault could range from 18-hundred to as many as 18-thousand.

Virginia executed a man who was under a death sentence in three states. Bobby Earl Justus died in Virginia's electric chair in Richmond late Thursday night. He said just hours earlier that he ''was ready to go to a better place.'' Justice was executed for the rape and murder of a pregnant nurse. He also was under death sentences in Florida and Georgia for murders of women.

Mexican authorities say the bodies of 12 members of a religious group were found in a house in Tijuana Thursday. Six other people are hospitalized in comas. A four-month-old girl who's still alive was found in her dead mother's arms. Officials say the victims might have been poisoned, or overcome by gas fumes.

U-S scientists say a four-year-old girl who underwent the first official attempt at human gene therapy is doing well. The Ohio girl has NOT suffered any serious side-effects from three monthly gene-therapy sessions. She has a rare, inherited immune system defect.

A federal study indicates babies face a greater risk of dying from crib death during the winter than in any other season. The Centers for Disease Control says the study also showed that sudden infant death syndrome is most likely to strike babies between the ages of one and four months.

An independent human rights group says 115 civilians died in war- related violence in El Salvador last month. The group says the Salvadoran armed forces were responsible for 51 of the deaths. More than half the deaths cannot be traced to either side of El Salvador's civil war.

The National Zoo in Washington reports the death of its egg-laying queen ant. The ant was accidentally decapitated by worker ants... her children... but are tending to her as if she were alive. The queen ant lost her head a week ago

when worker ants were trying to squeeze her through a small hole in her nest.

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#90348u0208 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 14) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	18	11	5	41	130	103
Philadelphia	18	14	3	39	121	114
New Jersey	16	13	4	36	129	116
Washington	18	15	0	36	112	100
Pittsburgh	13	16	3	29	129	126
NY Islanders	10	16	3	23	80	110

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	18	10	4	40	111	100
Montreal	16	14	3	35	105	103
Hartford	13	15	4	30	91	107
Buffalo	10	13	7	27	92	99
Quebec	7	20	6	20	92	142

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	22	10	2	46	116	84
St. Louis	18	9	4	40	106	85
Detroit	15	12	4	34	121	118
Minnesota	9	18	6	24	94	110
Toronto	8	24	1	17	88	139

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	19	10	4	42	138	104
Los Angeles	16	9	5	37	122	99
Vancouver	13	15	3	29	99	108
Edmonton	12	15	2	26	91	88
Winnipeg	9	18	7	25	112	124

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(DEC. 14) UPI - The day the last American hostages left Baghdad also brought a court ruling that favors President Bush in committing U-S forces to a war without congressional approval. 30 Americans were aboard what's expected to be

the last mercy mission out of Baghdad. The U-S ambassador to Kuwait, Nathaniel Howell, was on the plane. In Washington, a federal judge refused to block Bush from committing forces to war without first getting approval from Congress.

A man believed to be the only one under a death sentence in three states was executed in Virginia Thursday night. Buddy Justus was electrocuted for the rape and murder of a pregnant nurse. One official said Justus died with a great deal more dignity than his victim. He also was under death sentences in Georgia and Florida for murdering women.

Officials in Tijuana are trying to figure out what caused the deaths of 12 people and illness of six others. The 18 belong to a religious sect that gathered in a small house in the Mexican border city. Three of the dead were children. Neighbors say the group chanted and prayed loudly until late Wednesday night. Their bodies were found Thursday.

Federal investigators have NOT figured out why an Amtrak train derailed and hit a commuter train in Boston. But a report says the Amtrak ''Night Owl'' apparently was going more than twice the 30-mile-an-hour speed limit. Another report says investigators have NOT been able to read the train's tape recording, which would have told them the exact speed.

Two operators of newstands in New York City have filed a lawsuit in connection with the strike against the New York Daily News. Their 30- Million-dollar lawsuit is against the drivers' union... and accuses it of intimidation of dealers who sell the paper.

The chief editor of the Dead Sea Scrolls has lost his job. Harvard Divinity School professor John Strugnell is being accused of anti- Semitic remarks. He said Judaism was ''a horrible religion'' and a ''Christian heresy.'' Strugnell said he was NOT against the Jewish people- just their religion.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Winnipeg	3	0	1--4
Chicago	1	2	2--5

First period-1, Winnipeg, Cole 6 (Evans, Carlyle), 4:31. 2, Chicago, Graham 8 (Thomas, Brown), 10:51. 3, Winnipeg, Olczyk 11 (Elynuik), pp, 13:59. 4, Winnipeg, Cole 7 (Kumpel, MacDermid), 19:06.

Penalties-Carlyle, Win, 5:01; Larose, Win, 6:46; Manson, Chi, 12:15; Yawney, Chi, 16:33.

Second period-5, Chicago, Creighton 10 (Manson, Presley), 10:25. 6, Chicago,

Larmer 23 (Creighton, Goulet), 19:11.

Penalties-Carlyle, Win, 13:02; Murray, Chi, 15:49.

Third period-7, Winnipeg, Elynuik 13 (Olczyk, Olausson), pp, 3:43. 8, Chicago, Murray 9 (Brown, Thomas), pp, 13:30. 9, Chicago, Graham 9 (Murray, Thomas), 15:48.

Penalties-Creighton, Chi, 2:47; MacDermid, Win, 5:13; Arniel, Win, 11:34; Evans, Win, 17:52, Manson, Chi, minor- misconduct, 17:52.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 11-5-8-24. Chicago 10-12-14-36.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 4-2. Chicago 5-1.

Goalies-Winnipeg, Essensa. Chicago, Belfour. A-17,576.

Referee-Richard Trottier.

Hartford	1	0	1	--2
Boston	3	3	2	--8

First period-1, Boston, Hodge 5 (Wiemer, Janney), 4:24. 2, Hartford, Wilson 2 (Young), 6:01. 3, Boston, Nilan 6 (Janney, Bourque), 7:10. 4, Boston, Christian 14 (Janney, Bourque), 15:38.

Penalties-Poulin, Bos, 1:05; Krygier, Har, 16:05; Neely, Bos, 16:34; Verbeek, Har, 16:43; Cyr, Har, 19:01.

Second period-5, Boston, Galley 4 (Bourque, Neely), 13:31. 6, Boston, Neely 15 (Janney, Nilan), 17:54. 7, Boston, Walz 5 (Bourque, Hodge), 18:45.

Penalties-Samuelsson, Har, 2:47; Wiemer, Bos, 8:04; Shaw, Har, 11:26; Ruzicka, Bos, 14:34.

Third period-8, Boston, Ruzicka 2 (unassisted), 7:25. 9, Hartford, Samuelsson 2 (Francis), 7:43. 10, Boston, Lazaro 1 (Ruzicka, Wiemer), pp, 10:26.

Penalties-Evason, Har, :43; Byers, Bos, 3:28; Samuelsson, Har, 5:21; Kastelic, Har, major-misconduct (elbowing), 8:47; Ladouceur, Har, 8:47; Verbeek, Har, misconduct, 8:47; Nilan, Bos, 8:47; Byers, Bos, game misconduct, 8:47; Samuelsson, Har, minor-major (fighting), 13:44; Neely, Bos, minor-major (fighting), 13:44; Nilan, Bos, 14:14; Evason, Har, major (fighting), 17:51; D. Sweeney, Bos, major (fighting), 17:51; Nilan, Bos, major (elbowing), 17:51; Wilson, Har, 19:20; Cyr, Har, 19:44; Pedersen, Bos, 19:44.

Shots on goal-Hartford 7-8-11-26. Boston 17- 13-11-41.

Power-play conversions-Hartford 6-0. Boston 9-1.

Goaltenders-Hartford, Sidorkiewicz, Reaugh (0:00 3rd per.). Boston, Moog. A-14 022.

Referee-Andy Van Hellemond.

Quebec	0	2	0-2
Detroit	1	2	2-5

First period-1, Detroit, Carson 11 (Racine, Yzerman), pp, 16:07.

Penalties-Sakic, Que, 5:52; Finn, Que, double minor, 12:53; Fedorov, Det, 13:07; Hrkac, Que, 14:39; Racine, Det, 18:06; Fogarty, Que, 19:11.

Second period-2, Detroit, Yzerman 18 (Chiasson, McCrimmon), 1:13. 3, Quebec, McKegney 14 (Sundin, Sakic), 11:34. 4, Detroit, Barr 6 (Primeau), 13:01. 5, Quebec, Sakic 20 (Fogarty, McKegney), 19:13.

Penalties-Finn, Que, 15:59; Barr, Det, 18:52.

Third period-6, Detroit, Fedyk 5 (Chiasson, Garpenlov), 2:46. 7, Detroit, Dollas 3 (Primeau), 9:20.

Penalties-Shank, Det, 5:48; Shank, Det, 13:13; Fedorov, Det, 19:52.

Shots on goal-Quebec 4-9-4-17. Detroit 17- 22-8-47.

Power-play conversions-Quebec 6-1. Detroit 6-1.

Goaltenders-Quebec, Tugnutt. Detroit, Cheveldae. A-19,290.

Referee-Lance Roberts.

NY Islanders	1	0	1	0-2
Philadelphia	2	0	0	0-2

First period-1, Philadelphia, Carkner 4 (Eklund, Ricci), pp, 5:36. 2, Philadelphia, R. Sutter 4 (Eklund, Mellanby), 11:10. 3, NY Islanders, B. Sutter 12 (LaFontaine, Norton), pp, 17:11.

Penalties-LaFontaine, NYI, 0:35; Carkner, Phi, double-minor, served by Mellanby, 0:35; Parks, NYI, 4:07; Tocchet, Phi, 11:34; Hextall, Phi, served by Lacombe, 16:57.

Second period-No scoring.

Penalties-Baumgartner, NYI, 0:28; Berube, Phi, 0:28; Ludwig, NYI, 3:44;

Baumgartner, NYI, 6:27; Baumgartner, NYI, major (fighting), 9:27; Berube, Phi, major (fighting), 9:27; Flatley, NYI, 16:30.

Third period-4, NY Islanders, Wood 9 (Volek, Pilon), 9:08.

Penalties-Kushner, Phi, 2:33; Ferraro, NYI, double-minor, 11:11; B. Sutter, NYI, 13:21; Baron, Phi, 13:21.

Overtime period-No scoring.

Penalty-Fitzgerald, NYI, 2:24.

Shots on goal-NY Islanders 13-8-7-2-30. Philadelphia 12-7-5-1-25.

Power-play conversions-NY Islanders 4-1. Philadelphia 7-1.

Goaltenders-NY Islanders, Healy. Philadelphia, Hextall. A-17,211.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

Minnesota	2	0	0--2
St. Louis	0	1	3--4

First period-1, Minnesota, Sinisalo 3 (Dahlen, MacLeod), pp, 3:16. 2, Minnesota, Broten 7 (Smail), 8:46.

Penalties-Sutter, StL, 2:01; Momesso, StL, 9:11; Duchesne, Min, 13:11.

Second period-2, Hull 30 (P. Cavallini, Bassen), 10:54.

Penalties-Dirk, StL, 4:02; Sutter, StL, 5:41; Bellows, Minn, 6:42; P. Cavallini, StL, 6:42; Gagner, Minn, major (high sticking, game misconduct), 16:35.

Third period-4, St. Louis, Bassen 5 (P. Cavallini, Courtnall), 4:49. 5, St. Louis, Bassen 6 (Marois, Sutter), 6:05. 6, St. Louis, Ronning 6 (Hull, Stevens), 10:14.

Penalties-Featherstone, StL, 16:14.

Shots on goal-Minnesota 11-17-9-37. St. Louis 9-8-15-32.

Power-play conversions-Minnesota 5-1. St. Louis 2-0.

Goaltenders-Minnesota, Hayward; St. Louis, Riendeau. A-16,472.

Referee-Don Koharski.

New Jersey	2	2	1	--5
Pittsburgh	3	2	4	--9

First period-1, Pittsburgh, Roberts 1 (Cullen, Recchi), 4:16. 2, Pittsburgh, Zalapski 7 (Trottier), 7:40. 3, New Jersey, MacLean 21 (Driver, Kasatonov) pp, 9:47. 4, New Jersey, Shanahan 13 (Sundstrom, Morris), 14:02. 5, Pittsburgh, Mullen 14 (Stanton, Zalapski), pp, 19:34.

Penalties-Weinrich, NJ, 0:48; Trottier, Pit, 4:25; Pit bench (served by Stevens), 8:35; Daneyko, NJ, 17:57.

Second period-6, Pittsburgh, Cullen 12 (Stanton, Taglianetti), 6:42. 7, New Jersey, MacLean 22 (Muller, Kasatonov), pp, 8:50. 8, Pittsburgh, Tanti 3 (Trottier, Loney), 9:31. 9, New Jersey, Muller 10 (Driver, MacLean), pp, 10:36.

Penalties-Cullen, Pit, 1:10; Stanton, Pit, 4:31; Mullen, Pit, 7:32; Stanton, Pit, 10:04; Roberts, Pit, misconduct, 10:36; Morris, NJ, 10:50; Coffey, Pit, 12:58; Weinrich, NJ, 15:33; Daneyko, NJ, 19:23.

Third period-10, Pittsburgh, Coffey 11 (Mullen, Recchi), pp, 0:42. 11, Pittsburgh, Stevens 19 (Pederson, Roberts), 5:33. 12, Stastny 9 (Kasatonov, Muller), 6:50. 13, Pittsburgh, Bourque (Trottier), sh, en, 19:42. 14, Pittsburgh, Gilhen 9 (unassisted), sh, 19:54.

Penalties-Taglianetti, Pit, 7:46; Driver, NJ, 9:01; Coffey, Pit, 12:53; Shanahan, NJ, double minor, 13:50; Roberts, Pit, double minor, 13:50; Boschman NJ, 16:48; Stevens, Pit, 18:01.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 11-14-12-37. Pittsburgh 11-12-9-32.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 10-3. Pittsburgh 7-2.

Goaltenders-New Jersey, Burke, Terreri (9:31 2nd per). Pittsburgh, Young. A-15 121.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

Calgary	0	2	2	-4
Los Angeles	0	1	0	-1

First period-No scoring.

Penalties-Benning, LA, 1:21; Fleury, Cal, double-minor, 5:19; Sabourin, Cal, 5:19; Tonelli, LA, 5:19; Miller, LA, 5:19; Granato, LA, 7:06; Blake, LA, 13:53; Fleury, Cal, 17:59.

Second period-1, Calgary, Musil 2 (Fleury), 1:10. 2, Calgary, Gilmour 6 (Fleury, Sweeney), 9:56. 3, Los Angeles, Granato 14 (Robitaille, Blake), pp,

18:18.

Penalties-Musil, Cal, 1:19; Breault, LA, 1:19; Simard, Cal, 3:06; Miller, LA, 3:06; Nattress, Cal, 5:16; LA bench (served by Miller), 9:56; Otto, Cal, 14:36; Sutter, Cal, 18:04; Otto, Cal, 19:56; Miller, LA, 19:56.

Third period-4, Calgary, Roberts 8 (Makarov), 9:30. 5, Calgary, Nieuwendyk 18 (Roberts), 19:21.

Penalties-Fleury, Cal, 14:06; Robitaille, LA, 14:06; Sutter, Cal, 15:51; Miller, LA, misconduct, 15:51.

Shots on goal-Calgary 11-7-11-29. Los Angeles 10-16-6-32.

Power-play conversions-Calgary 4-0. Los Angeles 5-1.

Goaltenders-Calgary, Wamsley. Los Angeles, Hrudey. A-16,005.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

NEW JERSEY (97)

Haley 8-12 1-2 17, Morris 7-16 0-0 14, Bowie 7-18 0-0 14, Blaylock 10-21 2-3 22, Theus 2-7 2-2 6, Dudley 1-2 1-1 3, Conner 4-6 2-4 10, Gervin 4-7 2-2 11, Buechler 0-0 0-0 0, Lee 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 43-89 10-14 97.

ATLANTA (106)

Wilkins 10-22 3-7 23, Willis 8-15 2-3 18, Koncak 3-5 0-0 6, Rivers 6-17 2-4 14 Webb 6-10 3-4 16, Battle 0-6 0-0 0, Moncrief 5-6 1-2 11, Malone 6-11 3-3 15, McCormick 0-0 0-0 0, Ferrell 1-4 0-0 2, Robinson 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 45-97 15-25 106.

New Jersey	20	27	25	25-- 97
Atlanta	29	26	20	31--106

Three-point goals-Gervin, Webb. Fouled out-Morris. Total fouls-New Jersey 21, Atlanta 17. Rebounds-New Jersey 49 (Bowie 16), Atlanta 49 (Willis, Malone 10). Assists- New Jersey 21 (Blaylock 6), Atlanta 21 (Battle 7). Technicals-Dudley 2 (ejected); Atlanta, illegal defense. A-9,107.

NEW YORK (87)

Mustaf 1-6 3-4 5, Oakley 8-13 6-6 22, Ewing 13-20 5-7 31, Cheeks 2-4 0-0 4, Wilkins 6-14 1-2 13, Jackson 2-6 0-0 4, E. Wilkins 1-2 0-0 2, Starks 1-5 0-1 2 Quinnet 2-5 0-0 4. Totals 36-75 15-20 87.

MINNESOTA (76)

Corbin 2-13 1-2 5, Spencer 2-2 1-2 5, Breuer 6-9 0-0 12, Campbell 6-16 6-10 18 Richardson 10-21 2-3 22, Mitchell 3-10 4-5 10, Brooks 1-3 1-2 4, West 0-1 0-0 0, Thornton 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 30-75 15-24 76.

New York	22	21	19	25-87
Minnesota	21	14	23	18-76

Three-point goals-Brooks. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-New York 21, Minnesota 23. Rebounds-New York 60 (Oakley 17), Minnesota 38 (Mitchell 6). Assists-New York 24 (Cheeks 10), Minnesota 16 (Richardson 6). Technical fouls-Minnesota (too many men on court), New York 2 (Ewing, Illegal defense). A-19,006.

ORLANDO (114)

Catledge 7-15 5-7 19, Scott 9-15 2-2 22, Kite 5-9 0-0 10, Skiles 7-18 10-11 25 Smith 9-19 0-0 19, Acres 0-1 0-0 0, Anderson 3-6 0-0 6, Ansley 4-5 2-4 10, Reynolds 1-5 0-0 3, Turner 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 45-93 19-24 114.

PHOENIX (125)

Chambers 10-20 5-5 25, McDaniel 6-11 4-6 16, West 1-3 3-4 5, Hornacek 9-12 5-6 23, Johnson 14-22 9-13 38, Majerle 1-9 6-6 8, Rambis 3-5 2-2 8, Perry 0-2 2-2 2, Knight 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 44-86 36-44 125.

Orlando	31	31	23	29--114
Phoenix	38	22	27	38--125

Three-point goals-Scott 2, Skiles, Smith, Reynolds; Johnson. Fouled out-Catledge. Total fouls-Orlando 29, Phoenix 29. Rebounds-Orlando 50 (Kite 15), Phoenix 37 (Rambis 10). Assists-Orlando 22 (Skiles 8), Phoenix 20 (Johnson 12). Technical fouls-Orlando, illegal defense; Chambers, Phx coach Fitzsimmons, Phoenix illegal defense. A-14,487.

DENVER (126)

Woolridge 10-23 9-10 29, Liberty 7-13 1-3 15, Rasmussen 10-20 0-0 20, Adams 8-23 7-8 25, Lichti 5-8 2-2 13, Davis 6-11 4-4 16, Jackson 2-6 0-0 4, Mills 0-1 0-0 0, Cook 0-0 0-0 0, Wolf 2-3 0-1 4, Dunn 0-0 0-0 0, Johnson 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 50- 110 23-28 126.

UTAH (141)

K.Malone 13-20 13-19 39, Edwards 4-11 1-1 9, Eaton 1-3 2-2 4, Stockton 7-10 2-4 18. J. Malone 12-19 5-6 29, Rudd 4-5 0-0 8, Bailey 6-11 2-2 14, Brown 4-5 2-2 10, Griffith 4-7 2-2 10, Toolson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 55-91 29-38 141.

Three-point goal(s)-Adams 2, Lichti, Stockton 2. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Denver 27, Utah 23. Rebounds-Denver 43 (Rasmussen 9), Utah 53 (Brown 13). Assists-Denver 29 (Adams 13), Utah 42 (Stockton 17). Technical(s)-none. A-12,616.

SEATTLE (106)

Kemp 3-10 3-4 9, McKey 5-12 0-0 10, Cage 2-5 0-0 4, Payton 2-7 1-2 5, Threatt 6-9 2-2 14, Polynice 0-2 2-2 2, Ellis 3-9 0-0 8, McMillan 1-5 1-2 3, Barros 7-13 7-8 24, E. Johnson 3-11 4-4 10, Dailey 6-9 3-3 15, Corzine 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 39-93 23-27 106.

GOLDEN STATE (129)

Hill 2-2 2-2 6, Mullin 8-16 4-4 20, S. Johnson 3-4 3-4 9, Hardaway 8-14 1-1 17 Richmond 9-17 1-1 20, Lister 1-3 1-2 3, Tolbert 6-9 5-5 17, Pritchard 1-4 0-0 2, Marciulionis 7-12 5-6 19, Higgins 4-8 0-0 8, Smrek 1-2 1-2 3, Petersen 2-2 1-2 5. Totals 52-93 24-29 129.

Seattle	32	18	26	30-106
Golden State	20	35	38	36-129

Three-point goals-Barros 3, Ellis 2, Richmond 1. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Seattle 30, Golden State 21. Rebounds-Seattle 40 (Polynice 7), Golden State 43 (Hill, Mullin 7). Assists-Seattle 24 (Ellis, Barros 4), Golden State 30 (Hardaway 10). Technical-Polynice. A-15,025.

PORTLAND (88)

Kersey 6-15 7-8 20, Williams 1-4 2-4 4, Duckworth 5-13 1-2 11, Porter 5-13 6-6 18, Drexler 7-19 5-9 20, Robinson 3-5 0-0 6, Ainge 3-10 0-0 6, Bryant 1-5 1-2 3, Young 0-2 0-0 0, Petrovic 0-1 0-0 0, Abdelnaby 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 31-87 22-31 88.

SACRAMENTO (100)

Simmons 4-13 0-0 8, Tisdale 8-16 2-2 18, Causwell 3-5 3-3 9, Sparrow 1-4 7-8 9 Hansen 2-5 1-1 5, Carr 7-16 6-10 20, Bonner 7-12 2-3 16, Wood 4-8 3-4 13, Leckner 1-3 0-0 2, Wennington 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-82 24-31 100.

Portland	38	15	16	19- 88
Sacramento	19	27	24	30-100

Three-point goals-Kersey, Porter 2, Drexler, Wood 2. Fouled out-Ainge. Total

fouls-Portland 22, Sacramento 19. Rebounds-Portland 43 (Duckworth 9), Sacramento 51 (Carr 14). Assists-Portland 24 (Porter, Drexler 7), Sacramento 27 (Simmons 8). Technicals-Kersey, Williams, Portland illegal defense; Sacramento Assistant Coach Hughes, Coach Motta (2), illegal defense. A-17,014.

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The best and the worst of the NBA met Thursday night, and the surprising winners became Kings for a day.

Antoine Carr came off the bench to score 20 points and the Sacramento Kings overcame a 19-point first-quarter deficit en route to a 100-88 upset of the Portland Trail Blazers at Arco Arena.

Portland, gunning for the 1969-70 New York Knicks' league record for best start of a season at 23-1, lost for just the second time in 21 games. The Kings, who had lost two straight, improved to 4-15.

''This is really a big win for these kids,'' said Sacramento Coach Dick Motta, who has four rookie first-round draft picks on his roster. ''This is just a prelude to what can happen to this team.''

Motta was ejected with 2:23 remaining in the first half, and Portland Coach Rick Adelman said that was the game's turning point.

''I thought the momentum got away from us in the second period after Dick got tossed,'' he said. ''I know Dick, and I know he tried to get himself tossed.

''We were playing well at that point. There really isn't much more else to say other than they played well and we didn't.''

The Blazers, whose only other loss this season came at home to Phoenix - they were 8-0 on the road - raced to an 11-0 advantage. The Western Conference champions shot 63 percent from the field in the first 12 minutes, held the Kings to 36 percent and took a 38-19 lead.

But Sacramento rallied in the second quarter to get within 53-46 at halftime. Reserve Leon Wood scored 10 points in the period for the Kings.

After a tight third quarter, Sacramento opened the final period with a 15-6 burst for an 85-75 advantage. Carr and Wayman Tisdale, who had 18 points, each had two baskets during the spree, and Portland got no closer than eight the rest of the way.

Clyde Drexler and Jerome Kersey had 20 points apiece for the Blazers.

Elsewhere, New York beat Minnesota 87-76, Atlanta defeated New Jersey 106-97,

Utah outpointed Denver 141-126, Phoenix stopped Orlando 125-114 and Golden State downed Seattle 129-106.

Knicks 87, Timberwolves 76

At Minneapaolis, Charles Oakley, playing a season-high 44 minutes, collected 22 points and 17 rebounds to go with Patrick Ewing's 31 points and 15 rebounds as New York posted its first two-game winning streak under Coach John MacLeod. Pooh Richardson had 22 points for Minnesota.

Hawks 106, Nets 97

At Atlanta, Dominique Wilkins scored 23 points and Kevin Willis added 18 to lift the Hawks. New Jersey was led by Mookie Blaylock with 22 points and Sam Bowie with 14 points and 16 rebounds.

Utah 141, Nuggets 126

At Salt Lake City, Karl Malone scored 39 points and Jeff Malone added 29 to send the Jazz to their sixth consecutive victory and 11th in 12 games. John Stockton contributed 18 points and 17 assists for Utah. Orlando Wooldridge led Denver with 29 points.

Suns 125, Magic 114

At Phoenix, Kevin Johnson scored 15 of his season-high 38 points in the fourth quarter to lift the Suns to their fourth straight triumph. The Magic, who got 25 points from Scott Skiles, led by 10 points midway through the third quarter but lost for the 11th time in 12 road games.

Warriors 129, SuperSonics 106

At Oakland, Calif., Chris Mullin and Mitch Richmond scored 20 points apiece as Golden State improved to 13-8, its best start since 1981. Seattle was paced by Dana Barros with 24 points.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - Pittsburgh Coach Bob Johnson may have a tough time selling the Penguins on the virtues of defense.

With nine different players scoring, the Penguins, who have allowed the third-most goals in the league, snapped a four-game winless streak with a 9-5 rout of the New Jersey Devils.

''It seems like when things are going well we score a lot of goals,'' said Pittsburgh's Kevin Stevens. ''Tonight, we got out there and got a couple of

early goals and that seemed to open their game up. When we can score goals they have to come after us and they started taking chances. That's when we capitalized.''

''It was a shootout,'' said New Jersey Coach John Cunniff. ''We were wide open with them, and there's no way we can play that way with that team. We made mistakes and bang, they scored right way. They scored on every one of our mistakes.''

Tony Tanti scored at 9:31 of the second period, giving Pittsburgh a 5-3 lead and knocking out Sean Burke in favor of Chris Terreri. But the Penguins scored four times in the final period, clinching goalie Wendell Young's first win of the season.

''It's a relief to get your first win,'' said Young. ''Here it is December and I get my first win. I don't think I've gone this long in my life without a win.''

''We didn't get many bounces here the last couple of weeks, and tonight we got a lot of bounces,'' said Johnson. ''Some of the guys that haven't scored got some. That's extremely important. It was good for the guys to get some enjoyment from the game.''

In other games, St. Louis defeated Minnesota 4-2, Boston ripped Hartford 8-2, Detroit handled Quebec 5-2, the New York Islanders tied Philadelphia 2-2, Chicago nipped Winnipeg 5-4 and Calgary topped Los Angeles 4-1.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Blues 4, North Stars 2

At St. Louis, Bob Bassen scored two goals and Brett Hull became the first NHL player to reach 30 goals this season, leading the Blues. St. Louis entered the final period down 2-1 but scored three unanswered goals to earn the victory. Bassen gave the Blues a 3-2 lead at 6:05 of the final period with a rebound.

Bruins 8, Whalers 2

At Boston, Ray Bourque and Craig Janney each collected four assists, powering the Adams Division-leading Bruins to a sweep of back-to-back games. The game was marred by an altercation between the benches. On Nov. 23, also in Boston, Bruins Coach Mike Milbury and Hartford Coach Rick Ley tried to climb the glass between the benches to get at each other.

Red Wings 5, Nordiques 2

At Detroit, Steve Yzerman scored his fifth goal in five games and Brent Fedyk and Bobby Dollas added third-period goals, pacing the Red Wings. The Red Wings

matched a season-high with 47 shots at goaltender Ron Tugnutt, who kept Quebec in the game through the first two periods by turning back 36 shots.

Flyers 2, Islanders 2

At Philadelphia, Randy Wood scored midway through the third period, leading New York. Wood scored his ninth goal of the season at 9:08 of the third period after the Flyers failed to get the puck out of their own end. Philadelphia had a two-minute power play in the overtime but had only one shot on goal.

Blackhawks 5, Jets 4

At Chicago, Dirk Graham snapped a tie with his second goal of the night with 4:12 remaining, rallying the Blackhawks. Graham, who scored his first of the game in the opening period, scooped up a rebound in the crease and lifted it over goaltender Bob Essensa. The last Winnipeg victory at Chicago Stadium came Jan. 30, 1985.

Flames 4, Kings 1

At Inglewood, Calif., Gary Roberts collected a goal and an assist in the third period, leading Calgary and extending Los Angeles' winless streak to eight games. Kings' Coach Tom Webster was ejected with 10:04 remaining in the second period after receiving a bench minor for arguing for a penalty against Jamie Macoun.

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HONG KONG (DEC. 14) UPI - Seven Vietnamese refugees set themselves on fire Friday to protest a government policy of repatriating boat people fleeing their homeland for economic reasons.

The seven, part of a group of 10 boat people at the Whitehead detention center staging a hunger strike against the policy, set their blankets and clothes ablaze Friday morning.

Officials said camp guards quickly extinguished the fire. The boat people sustained minor injuries and were taken to a nearby hospital.

''The group had not taken food since Sunday and we had some officers standing by because we expected some trouble,'' said Raymond Lai, assistant commissioner of Correctional Services. ''As soon as they lit their clothes and blankets, the officers rushed forward and put out the fire.''

Whitehead, the largest and most volitile of Hong Kong's refugee camps, houses about 22,600 of the British colony's 53,000 boat people.

Officials said the seven had been classified as economic migrants through a Hong Kong screening policy and faced repatriation to Hanoi.

Only those boat people who can prove that they face political persecution if returned to Hanoi are eligible for resettlement in third countries.

The rest - an estimated 90 percent of Hong Kong's boat people - face continued life in the camps or a one-way ticket to their homeland.

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PALM MEADOWS, AUSTRALIA (DEC. 14) UPI - American Dale Eggeling, coming off her finest season on the U.S. tour, used a new putter to grab the first- round lead in the $228,000 Daikyo Australian Ladies Masters golf championship Friday.

The 36-year-old from Tampa, Fla., notched seven birdies in a sizzling 5-under-par 68 to lead compatriot Kristal Parker and Australian Ann Jones by two shots.

One shot further back at 2-under 71 were Japan's Chihoro Nakajima and Fumiko Muraguchi, Americans Cindy Figg-Currier, Tammie Green and Danielle Ammaccapane and Australians Jan Stepehenson and Corinne Dibnah.

The top 10 combined to record 51 birdies and an eagle, despite an afternoon sea breeze that toughened the water-strewn, 6,234-yard course.

Eggeling finished 24th on the U.S. tour with earnings of $147,990.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 14) UPI - Lithuania announced Friday its representatives will boycott the Congress of People's Deputies opening Monday because the Baltic republic considers Soviet Union a foreign state.

The 10-day congress of 2,250 delegates will discuss a new union treaty for the nation's 15 republics and elect a vice president for the new country and a new premier.

It will also carry out a rotation of one-third of the members of the smaller, permanent parliament, the Supreme Soviet. New members will be elected to the Parliament from among the deputies at the Congress.

Lithuania's deputies stormed out of the last Congress in March saying that their goal is independence and the affairs of the Soviet Union no longer concerned them. That congress elected Mikhail Gorbachev president of the country.

A statement issued Friday said Lithuania's Supreme Council on Thursday decided not to take part in the Congress because of Lithuania's declaration of independence March 11.

''Lithuania is no longer tied to any obligations concerning the validity of the constitution of the U.S.S.R., and (thus) the deputies elected by the Lithuanian people lose their status,'' the statement said.

The deputies, referred to in the statement, were elected earlier before Lithuania's March 11 declaration of independence. Ironically, the multicandidate elections were part of Gorbachev's first major political reforms that ended seven decades of single-slate ballots.

''Without a special decision by the Supreme Council of the Republic, citizens of the republic of Lithuania have no right to participate in the work of the highest governing bodies of other states, among them the U.S.S.R,'' the statement said.

The decision is likely to spark criticism from the minority Russians in the Baltic republic, arguing that they have been deprived of a voice about their future in Lithuania.

Of Lithuania's population of 3.6 million, only 8.6 percent are ethnic Russians. Ethnic Lithuanians comprise 80 percent, and Poles 7.7 percent.

Only one Lithuanian deputy, Nikolai Medvedev, an ethnic Russian who lives in the Baltic republic, has attended the daily sessions of the Supreme Soviet.

Medvedev, one of the most accessible and articulate lawmakers, keeps both the Lithuanians and ethnic Russians aware of developments in Moscow.

An independent state between World Wars I and II, Lithuania was occupied by the Soviet army and then annexed in 1940 as part of a secret deal between Soviet dictator Josef Stalin and Nazi leader Adolf Hitler.

Lithuania's sister Baltic republics, Estonia and Latvia were also absorbed into the Soviet Union at the same time. They too have declared their intention of leaving the Soviet Union.

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ROME (DEC. 14) UPI - European Community leaders began a two-day summit Friday to launch historic steps toward a common currency, closer political ties and a joint foreign policy for post-Cold War Europe.

The summit, marking the debut of new British Prime Minister John Major,

culminates with the inauguration on Saturday of twin constitutional conventions, on economic and monetary union (EMU) and political union.

Heads of state arrived Thursday evening for a glittering black-tie evening at the opera, featuring superstar tenor Luciano Pavarotti in Puccini's ''Tosca.''

The first item on business on Friday was consideration of $1 billion in emergency food aid for the Soviet Union, which was likely to be approved.

EC leaders were also expected to discuss the Gulf crisis, South Africa and the stalled world trade talks, which collapsed in Brussels last week over the EC's massive program of farm subsidies.

Major, in a speech to the House of Commons in London before leaving for Rome, stressed the importance of successfully completing the trade- liberalization talks. ''For us and for others, the risk of failure would be a very high price to pay,'' he said.

The constitutional conventions, known as ''intergovernmental conferences,'' are scheduled to end late next year with profound changes to the EC's founding charter, the 1957 Treaty of Rome, including landmark moves toward forging a federal Europe out of historically warring nation-states.

''Our feeling is that Rome, with these two conferences, will be an important turn in the life of the Community,'' said Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, the current EC president, a leading advocate of creating a ''United States of Europe'' with a single currency and a common foreign policy.

The EC's halting and inconsistent response to the gulf crisis, with only Britain and France sending ground troops, showed to many the need for a unified voice in foreign affairs.

President Bush contacted Andreotti on Thursday, urging EC leaders at the summit to stand united behind the U.S.-led opposition to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, officials said.

Last week, French President Francois Mitterrand and German Chancellor Helmut Kohl said in a joint letter that EC political union ''should include an authentic policy of common security which could lead in the long run to a common defense.''

France withdrew from NATO's integrated common defense apparatus in 1966, and has since insisted on strict independence in defense policy. One EC diplomat said France's joining in the letter was a ''remarkable development.''

Details of monetary union and political union will be worked out in tough negotiations over the next year, with many differences still to be resolved and precise wording to be agreed upon.

A common defense, for example, could create problems for staunchly neutral Ireland, an EC member, as well as for other neutral countries seeking EC membership such as Austria and Sweden.

Some EC governments are reluctant to undermine NATO. There are also doubts about a quick move to a single currency, from Britain as well as other quarters including Germany's powerful Bundesbank.

All eyes are on Major, who will set the tone for Britain's contribution to the debate over Europe's future. His predecessor, Margaret Thatcher, fell from power last month over her strident opposition to further EC integration.

At the last EC summit, Oct. 27-28 in Rome, Thatcher said other Community leaders were living in ''cloud-cuckoo land'' when they outvoted her 11-1 to set 1994 as the starting point for a central European bank, with a single currency to follow in several years.

Aides to Major, who also opposes a single currency, say the substance of his stand will be the same, but the style will be different. Thatcher's unyielding style toward the EC was so grating that other leaders simply stopped listening to her message.

''This one will not be an 11-1 summit,'' said a top British diplomat in Brussels.

Major, who was Britain's chancellor of the Exchequer, or treasury, before taking over the prime ministership, has proposed a parallel 13th EC currency - the ''hard ECU'' (European Currency Unit) - that would compete alongside national currencies.

Approval of $1 billion in emergency food aid to the Soviet Union is likely, but balance-of-payment assistance likely will be delayed pending a report from the International Monetary Fund.

The most divisive issue at the summit might be the 107-nation talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, which adjourned in disarray Dec. 7 over a bitter dispute between the EC and the United States over Europen farm subsidies.

Some EC governments, including Britain and the Netherlands, feel the summit must make a positive statement showing some degree of future flexibility in the GATT talks. ''We would look pretty foolish if we just said that GATT is very important,'' one Brussels diplomat said.

But in a pre-summit news conference, the president of the EC Executive Commission, Jaques Delors, said U.S. expectations of steep cuts in EC farm supports were unrealistic.

''The attitude of the United States aimed at treating the Community as plague-stricken and to set all countries against us,'' Delors said.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - The 12 European Community leaders begin a two-day summit Friday in Rome to launch historic steps toward a common currency and joint foreign policy for post-Cold War Europe. Heads of state arrived Thursday evening for pre-summit festivities.

Federal investigators tried Thursday to determine whether an Amtrak train driven by an apprentice engineer on the job only two days was speeding when it derailed and smashed into a commuter train inside a station, injuring more than 260 people.

Military sources in Jerusalem say a former deputy military commander of Israeli forces in the Gaza Strip has been convicted in the 1989 death of a 16-year-old Palestinian.

Former U-S national security adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski has revealed that a tough warning from Washington persuaded former Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev to cancel Warsaw Pact plans to invade Poland 10 years ago.

The Parliament of Soviet Georgia Thursday suspended the powers of all local governments in the republic and imposed a state of emergency in a troubled region where three people were killed in ethnic clashes.

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TAIPEI, Taiwan (DEC. 14) UPI - An earthquake measuring 6.7 on the open-ended Richter scale hit Taiwan early Friday, 17 hours after another big temblor rocked the island, killing two people.

Officials said the Friday quake, which hit at 3:49 a.m., was centered 18 miles southeast of Hualin, a city on the east coast of Taiwan.

Landslides and structural damage occurred but there were no immediate reports of injuries from the Friday quake, according to local authorities.

There were 210 aftershocks that followed the earthquake, according to the Seismology Research Center in Taipei.

The quake came less than 17 hours after an earthquake measuring 6.5 on the Richter scale struck just 6 miles from Hualian, killing two people and injuring three.

In Menlo Park, California, the U.S. Geological Survey reported the first quake Thursday measured 6.1 on the Richter scale while the second temblor on Friday measured 6.2.

Both quakes were centered about 80 miles south of Taipei.

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HONG KONG (DEC. 14) UPI - World No. 2 Nick Faldo of Britain shot a brilliant 9-under-par 62 Friday to claim the lead after the third round of the $350,000 Johnnie Walker Classic.

It was the fourth time in his career that the double U.S. Masters and British Open champion fired a 62 and it gave him a commanding 3-stroke lead over European Ryder Cup teammate Ronan Rafferty entering the final round of the 72-hole event Saturday.

Faldo showed no signs of a wrist inury that had been troubling him and was at his superlative best.

His round was made up of an eagle, seven birdies and 10 pars.

Faldo began the tournament with a disappointing round of 72 and followed with 68 Thursday.

''The difference today was that the putts dropped for me,'' he said.

He shot three birdies on the front nine and five on the back, plus an eagle 3 at the 12th, where he holed a bunker shot from 30 yards.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - Strong storms dumped snow on the Pacific Northwest and the Rocky Mountain states as temperatures plummeted nationwide Friday, dipping below zero in the northern Midwest, while a gale warning was posted for the mid-Atlantic coast.

Snow advisories were up throughout southern Utah as a cold front pounded its way across the state dumping at least 8 inches of snow on Cedar City, while drivers in the northern half of the state battled icy roads left over from an earlier storm.

The storm took aim at Colorado with winds gusting over 30 mph causing blowing and drifting snow. Accumulations were expected to reach 8 inches in the northern and central mountains.

A second storm moved into western Washington bringing up to a foot of snow to the Cascades Mountains and rain to areas lying below 1,000 feet, where lows generally were in the 30s. Several inches of snow also fell on Idaho during the night.

On the other side of the continent, a gale warning was posted for the waters off the coast of Washington, D.C., and Baltimore, where a strong cold front carried winds near 40 mph.

Temperatures in several cities were as many as 30 degrees below Thursday's highs and cold weather took hold on the Northeast and northern Midwest. Bridgeport, Conn., which had a record 58 degrees Thursday had a low in the 20s with winds at more than 20 mph.

In Boston, it was windy and much colder. Skies were becoming mostly clear with a low in the mid 20s and northwesterly winds at 20 to 30 mph.

Snow flurries dotted Michigan's Upper Peninsula, where the thermometer plunged to minus 5 degrees, while much of the Midwest had cloudy skies and lows in the 20s.

Dense fog cut visibility in northern California, and along the Gulf Coast Friday morning. Visibility was reported near zero in Baton Rouge, La., and was down to a few hundred yards in Tallahassee, Fla.

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TOKYO (DEC. 14) UPI - The Japanese government has agreed to increase its share of the payment of costs of maintaining U.S. military bases in Japan from the current 40 percent to about 50 percent, a Japanese newspaper reported Friday.

Japan's business daily, the Nihon Keizai Shimbun, reported Japan has agreed to pay the bases' gas, water and electricity bills and the salaries of all Japanese employees working at the bases.

U.S. and Japanese officials would not confirm the report but a high- level American delegation was discussing the issue in talks with Japan Thursday and Friday.

Japan will sign a new agreement on base support with the United States in January, the newspaper said.

Japan's increased payment of U.S. base expenses will be phased in from October 1991 to 1995, the report said.

By 1995, Japan will be paying for 50 percent of the total costs of maintaining U.S. bases in Japan, the report said.

Japan provided $3.3 billion to support the U.S. bases in fiscal 1990, which ends March 31, 1991.

With the new plan, Japan is expected to add $75 million to its contribution in 1991 increasing that to $680 million by 1995, the report said.

The United States has been urging Japan to increase its financial support for the U.S. forces amid growing criticism of Japan as a ''free rider'' in defense.

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MANILA, Philippines (DEC. 14) UPI - Government troops battled communist rebels in the southern Philippines, leaving 20 guerrillas and a soldier dead, a military report said Friday.

The report said the troops were on patrol when they encountered some 100 communist New People's Army guerrillas on Thursday in Bansalan village, Davao del Sur province, 650 miles south of Manila.

A gun battle ensued, but when troop reinforcements arrived, the rebels fled, leaving behind 20 of their slain comrades. The government lost one soldier dead and another was wounded.

The 17,000-strong NPA has been waging a 21-year rebellion to set up a Marxist state in the Philippines.

In another incident, unidentified men lobbed a grenade at a car dealer in the southern port city of Davao Thursday night, injuring two people, police said.

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CLARKSTON, MICH. (DEC. 14) UPI - A judge Thursday dismissed a first-degree murder charge filed against a retired pathologist in the death of an Alzheimer's disease patient who used the doctor's ''suicide machine'' to kill herself last summer.

The case against Dr. Jack Kevorkian was thrown out following two days of testimony and the viewing of a dramatic videotape in which the patient, Janet Akins, 54, told the doctor, ''I don't want to go on.''

Adkins died June 4, two days after the tape was made, in the back of Kevorkian's van in a remote park. She was hooked up to a device rigged by Kevorkian that allowed Adkins to inject herself with a lethal solution.

District Judge Gerald McNally, calling suicide ''a private and personal matter '' held that Kevorkian committed no crime under state law and that the question of criminality in assisting suicide was an issue for the legislature, not the courts, to decide.

''Mrs. Adkins was the approximate cause of her own death,'' McNally said.

But he invited the prosecutor's office to appeal if it disagreed, and Assistant Oakland County Prosecutor Michael Modelski said it was being considered.

''In my mind, somone went free who acted improperly,'' Modelski said.

Kevorkian said the ruling means ''good hope'' for the terminally ill.

''Society realizes a crying need for this,'' he said.

Kevorkian is barred from further use of the ''suicide machine'' pending a civil hearing before Circuit Judge Alice Gilbert. The hearing had been stayed by the Michigan Court of Appeals after murder charges were filed.

Howard Simon, executive director of the Michigan Civil Liberties Union, which was preparing to enter the case on Kevorkian's behalf, called the ruling ''courageous and logical.''

''I think it was absurd for the Oakland County proseuctor to charge someone who assisted a suicide with murder,'' Simon said.

In the 40-minute videotape, Adkins, of Portland, Ore., made clear her decision to die rather than allow Alzheimer's disease to progress. The video was obtained from Kevorkian's apartment under a search warrant and presented as a prosecution exhibit.

In the video, Adkins declared, ''I don't want to go on.''

Her husband, Ronald, agreed, saying, ''I'm for it because she wants it, because I love her. She should have the right not to suffer and should have a human way to exit.''

In the tape, Kevorkian asked her if she wanted to change her mind, insisting she must be the one to push the button to deliver the lethal injection.

Kevorkian, Adkins and her husband gathered in a room at the Red Roof Inn in Madison Heights, Mich., to make the tape.

''I know the things that Janet through our 34 years of marriage has loved,'' Ronald Adkins said. ''She has been a sort of light in our lives because of her

interest and curiosity. Now, seeing the things she loves being taken away from her, for such a curious mind, and have that go away would kill her.''

Kevorkian asked, ''Now, you don't want her to go on?''

Adkins, ''No, I don't.

To Janet Akins, Kevorkian inquires, ''Then it's your decision.''

''Yes, it is my decision.''

Kevorkian also suggested to the husband, ''Of course, you realize she's not terminal.''

''Not in a physical sense, but mentally,'' he replied.

The husband described his wife's mental state as ''rational, she's able to make decision on her own and exercise her own free will.''

Kevorkian asks, ''Janet, are you aware of your decision, the implications of your decision?''

Her reply, ''yes.''

''What does that mean?'' Kevorkian asked her. ''What is it you want?''

''I don't want to go on,'' she answered.

''What does that mean?'' Kevorkian asked again.

''That's the end of my life.''

''What's the word for the end of life, what is it when you stop living?''

''You're dead,'' she said.

Witness Lynda Biedrzycki, now medical examiner in Waukesha County, Wis., who performed an autospy on Adkins while serving as Oakland County medical examiner, said Thursday Adkins died of a ''medical overdoes due to injection, but the manner of her death was suicide.''

''I believe she intended to take her life and pushed the button and did it alone by her own hand.''

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MANILA, Philippines (DEC. 14) UPI - Provincial officials in the central

island of Cebu asked President Corazon Aquino Friday to deregulate petroleum prices to prevent rationing, the government said.

But in Manila, militant groups Friday pressed demands for a rollback in the prices of petroleum products to levels before they were raised last week by an average of 45 percent.

Some 300 protesters, wearing black arm bands, banged tin cans, honked car horns and exploded firecrackers in demonstrations at the Makati financial district, a street corner near Aquino's palace and two other places in the capital.

Also Friday, land transportation officials authorized a 20 percent increase in bus fares to 5 cents as a result of the higher pump prices.

A government statement said provincial officials of Cebu asked Aquino to allow prices of petroleum products to seek their own levels on the free market to prevent rationing.

Cebu is one of several provinces which have posted growth in the country hit hard by a series of natural and political disasters. Cebu officials are struggling to overcome the devastation by a typhoon last month.

Officials in Manila have warned they may have to ration petroleum if the government continues to subsidize pump prices.

The International Monetary Fund has asked the government to remove the subsidy to curb a ballooning public sector deficit estimated at $2. 14 billion.

The measure was one of the recommendations of the IMF to enable the Philippines to secure $700 million in new credits.

The Philippines is saddled with $28 billion in foreign debt and needed hard currency to continue importing oil. The soaring oil prices sparked by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last August have severely affected the Philippines, which imports most of its crude.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

The only embassy in Kuwait that's staffed today is Britain's. British officials will stay until the weekend to make sure there are NO more Britons who want to leave the emirate. The U-S Embassy staff in Kuwait believes all the Americans who want to flee have left. Ambassador Nathaniel Howell and four members of his staff left yesterday, along with 26 other Americans.

Retired military men and defense analysts sketched out for a House panel what a war to liberate Kuwait might cost. A retired colonel who is a military historian, T-N Dupuy, said U-S deaths in an allied assault could range from 300 to three-thousand. He said Iraq might have 15- thousand killed.

The experts said U-S forces should try to kill Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and knock out his top command. Similar comments led to the dismissal of Air Force Chief of Staff Michael Dugan, who quietly retired yesterday.

OPEC's 13 oil ministers agree there WON'T be production quotas until the Persian Gulf crisis ends. But the OPEC leaders say they will restore the 22 and one-half Million barrel a day ceiling after the situation in the Persian Gulf quiets down. They made the decision yesterday as they wound up their annual meeting in Vienna.

A man who was abused as a child and grew up to marry and divorce his foster mother was executed in Virginia last night. Buddy Justus was electrocuted for the rape and murder of a pregnant nurse. He also faced the death sentence in Florida and Georgia for other murders.

Officials in Tijuana are trying to find out if 18 people were poisoned by food or drink... or a leaking lamp that burned butane gas. 12 of the people were found dead in the home yesterday. Six others are hospitalized. Police say the people belonged to a religious sect.

A coalition of police organizations has joined the anti-gun lobby. The police groups filed a brief written by the Center to Prevent Handgun Violence... asking the Supreme Court to let stand a 1986 congressional decision outlawing private ownership of machine guns.

A breakthrough toward ending the 15-year-old civil war in Angola came about in Washington yesterday. The United States, the Soviet Union, Portugal and the two warring parties in Angola agreed to a proposed formula designed to end the fighting. The United States has helped the rebels.

Soviet officials say they have received 25-hundred tons of relief supplies... mostly food and medicine... since President Gorbachev appealed to the West for help. Private U-S organizations have sent 93 tons. And a Soviet official says forthcoming government help from Washington will be welcome.

Salvation Army officials in Fairbanks, Alaska, say they are going to be in short supply of goods for the needy. A fire that may have been set deliberately destroyed two Salvation Army warehouses full of donated clothes and furniture.

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TOKYO (DEC. 14) UPI - Japan is not to blame for last week's breakdown of the GATT world trade talks, but it may be ready to reassess its positions, Foreign Ministry spokesman Taizo Watanabe said Friday.

''During the Uruguay Round, we took so many measures to increase access to our markets. But when it comes to agriculture, the main dispute took place between the Economic Community and the United States, '' he said.

Watanabe's remarks were the latest in an intense review of Japan's role in the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, which collapsed in Brussels Saturday at the end of a five-year effort to extend the rules governing multilateral free trade.

Japan appears to be rethinking the policy which earned it strong criticism from U.S. officials.

''We have not changed our position yet,'' Watanabe said, ''but we are in the process of considering.''

Japan has so far refused to alter its near total ban on rice imports. This, together with the European Community's agricultural supports and export subsidies were the main sticking points with the United States and other agricultural exporting nations known as the Cairns group.

Most of the blows at the meeting in Brussels were exchanged between the United States and the EC, but afterwards U.S. officials blamed Japan for hanging back in the shadows.

''Even though Japan is the biggest beneficiary they really invested nothing in the effort to bring GATT to a successful conclusion,'' said a senior U.S. official who asked not to be identified. ''They (the Japanese) were a free rider.''

This assertion was rejected by Noboru Hatakeyama, head of international trade policy at the Ministry of International Trade and Industry.

''Actually, Japan took the lead in (investment measures), for example,'' he said. ''In the field of anti-dumping we contributed a lot. And in other areas, we have shown many, many flexible attitudes.''

But he drew the line at rice, saying the government was bound by a parliamentary resolution that opposes importation of rice.

''I think Japan has shown enough compromise (on other issues),'' Hatakeyama said.

The Foreign Ministry's spokesman was not so absolute.

''We have said all along that when others put their most difficult issues on the table, we will,'' Watanabe said.

But even that position was unacceptable to the Americans.

''The first step had to be agricultural liberalization,'' the U.S. official said.

Otherwise, he said, developing countries would refuse to accept other changes, even though they stand to suffer tremendously if the free trade system breaks down.

Japan may like the status quo, but it has a duty to itself and poorer countries to play a more positive role in supporting the GATT system, he said. However, deep fractures have appeared within the Japanese government over the issue of rice.

On Monday, Kabun Muto, minister of international trade and agriculture, attacked the agriculture ministry's position that Japan should stand by its ban on rice imports.

Japanese intransigence on agriculture limited its role in the GATT talks, he said.

Meanwhile, the Foreign Ministry officials reportedly spread concerns that Japan might have to negotiate its rice market directly with the United States if the GATT talks do not resume.

That brought an angry response from Agriculture Minister Tomio Yamamoto, who said the Foreign Ministry could negotiate whatever it liked, but he was sticking by his position.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, whose Liberal Democratic Party relies heavily on the farm vote, attempted to quell the disputes by reiterating the government's basic opposition to rice imports but at the same time commissioning a panel to ''coordinate'' Japan's GATT policies.

In the background, Liberal Democrats and government officials began whispering of the need to eventually accept partial liberalization of the rice market.

Figures such as 50,000 tons a year or 3 percent - the latter was defined in a GATT draft as minimum access - of the rice crop have been reported in the Japanese press during the week as a possible compromise.

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SOWETO, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 14) UPI - African National Congress President Oliver Tambo called Friday for a re-evaluation of the movement's campaign for economic sanctions against South Africa, citing ''new developments in the country and abroad.''

Tambo addressed the opening session of what was the ANC's first national conference in South Africa since President Frederik de Klerk lifted a 30-year ban on the movement 10 months ago.

The ANC chief defended the imposition of sanctions as ''a victory of no small measure'' in the struggle against white minority rule.

Having returned to the country Thursday after three decades in exile, Tambo also warned, ''At no stage should we ever allow the strategic initiative to shift to the other side'' and urged an intensification of the fight against apartheid ''on all fronts.''

But, to silence from the estimated 1,600 delegates, he added, ''It's no longer enough for us to repeat the trite slogans.

''We should therefore carefully re-evaluate the advisability of the retention of sanctions given the new developments in the country and abroad,'' he said, referring to de Klerk's 11 months of racial reforms and positive overseas reaction to the changes.

Tambo, mentioning sanctions, was raising one of the six issues that the three-day consultative conference at an exhibition center on the outskirts of the nation's largest black township of Soweto is due to debate. Other matters are negotiations, tactics, factional violence, organizing, and a program for 1991.

Sanctions imposed by Europe and the United States in 1985 and 1986 at the urging mainly of the ANC are now under review by legislators or on the way to lapsing. ANC Deputy President Nelson Mandela has appealed to European Community leaders, who met for a second day in Rome Friday, to retain sanctions until the ANC decisively indicated otherwise.

Tambo, 73, noted firmly the ANC would not slacken in its struggle for a ''non-racial, democratic South Africa,'' raising his voice slightly to offset his halting delivery, a result of a stroke in August last year that partially paralyzed him.

''The golden thread is our absolute determination to regain our freedom,'' he said in his 30-minute address. ANC efforts to bring about democracy had ''finally brought apartheid to the brink of defeat.''

Tambo repeated an ANC demand for a democratically elected constituent assembly to precede a post-apartheid government.

''All South Africans, black and white, should be organized into a mighty vehicle of liberation,'' he said. ''The election of a constituent assembly would assist in restoring people's confidence in democratic processes.''

Pretoria has rejected calls for a constituent assembly, saying any new constitution must be final and discussed at substantive power- sharing talks.

Racial reforms and ANC concessions, including the suspension of its 29-year armed struggle against white rule in August, have cleared the way for full-blown talks.

Tambo said negotiations could succeed only if ''all the parties are ready to negotiate and enter into agreements in good faith.'' He added, ''The government's record is, at this stage, far from satisfactory.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - Inflation at the producer level slowed in November as producer prices rose 0.5 percent after posting three consecutive advances of more than 1 percent, the Labor Department said Friday.

The slowdown was more apparent in the department's index for intermediate goods, which rose a modest 0.1 percent in November after gaining 1.5 percent the month before.

Prices for crude materials dropped 6.2 percent last month after rising 8.7 percent in October.

The index for energy goods still continued to rise but at a much slower pace after three months of steep price hikes. Consumer food prices rose by 0.8 percent, keeping pace with October's increase.

The index for other finished goods, excluding the often volatile food and energy categories, increased by 0.5 percent in November after showing no change in October and increasing by 0.6 percent in September.

For the 12 months ended in November, the index for finished goods prices rose by 7 percent. During the same period, consumer food prices advanced 4.2 percent while energy prices, boosted after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, soared by 38.4 percent.

Excluding food and energy prices, the index rose by 3.6 percent from year-ago levels. Prices for intermediate goods rose by 5.2 percent during the period and crude goods prices jumped by 13.8 percent.

But there were signs of price easing in November. After climbing steadily for

the three previous months, the index for finished energy goods inched up only 0.1 percent in November.

Prices for gasoline and home heating oil dropped 2.6 percent and 7.3 percent during the months after jumping by 8 percent and 15 percent in October. Prices for natural gas rose 5 percent, after posting a slight decline the month before.

Consumer food prices rose by 0.8 percent last month, slightly below the 0.9 percent rise in October. Higher prices were posted for fresh and dried vegetables, fish, pork, beef, veal and confectionary products.

Lower prices were posted for dairy products, processed fruits and vegetables, eggs and cooking oils.

After gaining about 1.5 percent in each of the past three months, the index for intermediate materials and supplies gained only 0.1 percent in November. Energy prices dropped slightly while prices for food, feed and construction materials also declined.

Prices for durable manufacturing materials dropped 1 percnet after showing no change the month before. But prices for non-durable manufacturing materials gained 1 percent after rising 1.3 percent in October.

Economists watch producer prices closely because these prices reflect changes down the economy pipeline before products reach consumers.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - Inflation at the producer level slowed in November as producer prices rose 0.5 percent after posting three consecutive advances of more than 1 percent, the Labor Department said Friday.

The slowdown was more apparent in the department's index for intermediate goods, which rose a modest 0.1 percent in November after gaining 1.5 percent the month before.

Prices for crude materials dropped 6.2 percent last month after rising 8.7 percent in October.

The index for energy goods still continued to rise but at a much slower pace after three months of steep price hikes. Consumer food prices rose 0.8 percent keeping pace with October's increase.

The index for other finished goods, excluding the often volatile food and energy categories, increased 0.5 percent in November after showing no change in October and increasing 0.6 percent in September.

For the 12 months ended in November, the index for finished goods prices rose 7 percent. During the same period, consumer food prices advanced 4.2 percent while energy prices, boosted after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, soared by 38.4 percent.

Excluding food and energy prices, the index rose 3.6 percent from year-ago levels. Prices for intermediate goods rose 5.2 percent during the period and crude goods prices jumped 13.8 percent.

But there were signs of price easing in November. After climbing steadily for the three previous months, the index for finished energy goods inched up only 0.1 percent in November.

Prices for gasoline and home heating oil dropped 2.6 percent and 7.3 percent, respectively, during the months after jumping 8 percent and 15 percent in October. Prices for natural gas rose 5 percent. after posting a slight decline the month before.

Consumer food prices rose 0.8 percent last month, slightly below the 0.9 percent rise in October. Higher prices were posted for fresh and dried vegetables, fish, pork, beef, veal and confectionary products.

Lower prices were posted for dairy products, processed fruits and vegetables, eggs and cooking oils.

After gaining about 1.5 percent in each of the past three monhts, the index for intermediate materials and supplies gained only 0.1 percent in November. Energy prices dropped slightly while prices for food, feed and construction materials also declined.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	51	42	.03
Anchorage sy	28	10	....
Asheville cy	68	44	.18
Atlanta cy	67	54	.04
Baltimore pc	66	34	....
Billings mc	34	25	.01
Birmingham cy	68	48	.02
Bismarck cy	26	16	....
Boston sy	60	25	....
Brownsville pc	82	67	....
Buffalo pc	55	18	.03
Burlington Vt. pc	47	15	.05
Charleston S.C. cy	71	59	....
Charlotte cy	69	47	.06
Chicago pc	37	22	....
Cincinnati pc	52	26	....
Cleveland pc	55	29	....
Columbus Ohio sy	53	23	....
Dallas cy	55	44	....
Denver w	39	21	....
Des Moines sn	34	24	....
Detroit sy	50	21	....
Duluth cy	20	08	....
El Paso pc	62	49	....
Evansville pc	44	29	....
Fargo cy	24	19	....
Hartford sy	59	23	....
Honolulu cy	81	70	.03
Houston mc	77	61	....
Indianapolis pc	53	24	....
Jackson Miss. mc	75	51	....
Jacksonville pc	75	47	....
Kansas City cy	38	31	....
Las Vegas f	60	39	....
Little Rock mc	61	40	....
Los Angeles f	64	50	....

Louisville pc	56	29	....
Memphis r	60	41	.01
Miami Beach sy	78	61	....
Milwaukee pc	37	22	....
Minneapolis sn	27	15	....
Nashville r	61	39	.32
New Orleans pc	79	59	....
New York sy	60	31	....
Oklahoma City cy	44	36	.01
Omaha r	33	26	....
Orlando sy	74	48	....
Philadelphia sy	59	31	....
Phoenix pc	75	54	....
Pittsburgh sy	56	22	.02
Portland Me. sy	44	21	....
Portland Ore. r	41	39	.17
Providence sy	59	28	....
Richmond pc	68	40	....
St. Louis cy	41	30	....
Salt Lake City pc	45	26	.14
San Antonio mc	71	57	....
San Diego f	63	52	....
San Francisco sy	58	42	....
San Juan mc	84	73	.02
Seattle r	43	37	....
Spokane cy	31	26	.04
Tampa sy	79	49	....
Washington pc	68	35	....
Wichita cy	40	30	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90348u0537 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 14) UPI - Active arbitrage and profit taking pushed stock prices lower Friday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, ending a rally that had lasted seven straght sessions.

The benchmark Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which posted a powerful 643.56-point gain Thursday, slipped 293.47 points to 24,349.50.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major issues dropped 13.66 points to 1800.32 points after gaining 34.48 points Thursday.

Declines outpaced advances 661 to 343, while 132 issues remained unchnaged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stocks closed lower in light trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange driven down by rumors that the colony's leading bank planned to move its headquarters.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index dropped 24.43 points to 3,125.69. The fall followed a loss of more than 10 points Thursday.

Among the narrower indexes, financials lost 18.61 points, utilities slipped 14.98, properties tumbled 41.34 and industrials dropped 28.19 points.

In Singapore, stock prices slid in moderate trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in profit-taking.

The blue-chip Straits Times Industrial Index fell 6.82 points to 1188.33. The broader-based All Singapore Index slipped 1.04 points to 328.36.

Volume amounted to about an estimated 48.9 million shares.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stock prices edged higher in moderate trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index added 5.48 points to 649. 58.

In Taipei, stocks closed lower on the Taiwan Stock Exchange.

The Taiwan Weighted Index, which gained 37.12 points Thursday, lost 68.07 points to 4,304.31 in light trading.

In Australia, stock prices closed lower on the Sydney Sharmarket backgrounded by Thursday's report showing Australia's November's unemployment jumped to 8.2 percent.

The All Ordinaries Index lost 9.7 points to 1,310.0 - just 15.5 points short

of its low for the year.

Turnover amounted to 59.9 million shares as declines outpaced advances 152 to 89.

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#90348u0551 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 14) UPI - Iran and Sudan yesterday issued a joint call for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. Both countries have criticized the invasion, but more strongly condemned the U-S-led military force in the gulf.

A federal judge yesterday ruled on a lawsuit filed by 54 congressional Democrats. U-S District Judge Harold Greene refused to block President Bush from committing U-S forces to a Persian Gulf war without first getting approval from Congress.

The Los Angeles Times says a man reputed to be a major cocaine trafficker and successor to the ''king'' of the Bolivian cocaine trade was quietly arrested at his home. Jorge Roca-Suarez reportedly was arrested at his 19-room house in suburban San Marino.

NASA yesterday released two dazzling new pictures of the moon and one of Earth snapped by the Galileo space probe as it streaked past Earth on its trip to Jupiter. Scientists say the images demonstrate the power of the probe when it finally reaches Jupiter.

A study commissioned by the American Bar Foundation says that white men get the best prices when negotiating with dealers on a new car. The study says the same dealers demand much higher prices from blacks and women.

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#90348u0588 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - Declining automobile assemblies pushed industrial production down 1.7 percent in November, the greatest monthly decline since a 2 percent drop in January 1982, the Federal Reserve said Friday.

November's decline followed a revised 0.9 percent drop in October and reflected the weakness that has hit the nation's manufacturing sector.

The Fed said automobile assemblies were down 20 percent in November. The decline, which was coupled with a sharp curtailment in output of automobile parts and materials, accounted for more than half of the overall production reduction.

Production at utilities fell 3.6 percent mainly from unseasonably warm weather the Fed said.

In a further sign of economic weakness, the Fed said other types of industrial output slid ''noticeably'' for the third consecutive month.

Total industrial capacity utilization dropped 1.5 percentage points to 80.9 percent.

At 107.5 percent of its 1987 annual average, industrial production in November was 0.6 percent below year-ago levels.

The Fed said the declines were widespread throughout manufacturing. Output of durable goods fell 2.5 percent in November.

Production of consumer goods other than motor vehicles was curbed sharply again last month, the Fed said. Production of goods for the home, such as appliances and furniture, continued to weaken while clothing output maintained the downward trend that has been evident all year.

Output of consumer energy products, namely gasoline and electricity for residential use, also declined sharply last month.

The production of business equipment other than automobiles and trucks was reduced about 0.25 percent last month after falling 0.5 percent in Ocotber.

The Fed said the recent weakness has been concentrated in industrial equipment. Output in this sector had risen sharply, the Fed said, between March and September.

In November, production of construction supplies continued to fall and was down nearly 17 percent from the year's high.

''Apart from the decline in parts and manufacturing for motor vehicles, the most significant decreases in output of materials occurred in the energy components, particularly in electricty generation and coal mining,'' the Fed said.

Excluding motor vehicles and parts, manufacturing output fell 0.8 percent in November after a decline of 0.7 percent in October and an 0.5 percent fall in September.

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#90348u0593 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

GREEN BAY, WI (DEC. 14) UPI - The Green Bay Packers will be without starting quarterback Don Majkowski the rest of the season following the 1989 All Pro's surgery to repair the tendon leading to the rotator cuff in his right shoulder Coach Lindy Infante said.

Majkowski had the surgery Thursday in San Diego, where he had gone to seek a second opinion on his shoulder.

Orthopedic surgeon Gary Losse operated after discovering the tear while performing arthroscopic surgery to examine the injury, which Majkowski suffered Nov. 18 in a game against the Phoenix Cardinals.

Infante, acting as the team's medical spokesman, said the injury is not a career-threatening one. He said Majkowski will be unable to throw for three to six months but should be able to play next season.

''Doctors feel very good about his chances for full recovery. There ws no mention of career-ending or anything remotely like that,'' said Infante. ''The prognosis is a good one and they feel like the repair went successfully.''

The Packers, who are 6-7 but still in the hunt for a wild card playoff spot, will go with Anthony Dilweg as their starter Sunday in Philadelphia against the Eagles. He has played well at times this season but faltered the last two games, including last week when he failed to put any points on the board in three quarters against the Seattle Seahawks.

Dilweg was lifted from the game and third-stringer Blair Kiel almost brought the Packers back to victory, firing a pair of fourth-period touchdowns as Green Bay lost 20-14 to Seattle.

Majkowski, who went to the Pro Bowl last season and held out for more money until right before the start of the regular season, had been at odds with Packers physician E.S. Brusky on the injury. The doctor had said last week Majkowski should be able to play and said no tear had been found in tests he conducted.

Majkowski had still felt pain and said he was not ready to play, creating a controversy over his shoulder. After consulting with team officials he decided to seek the second opinion from Losse, a shoulder specialist, and Losse found the tear.

Infante said Losse discovered the tear while performing arthroscopic surgery to repair an impingement - a condition in which a tendon has caught on a small piece of bone in the area.

During the surgery Losse also found a ''one-half by one-half inch tear'' in the tendon leading to the rotator cuff, which he then repaired.

''They did not find the tear until they went in. It wasn't like they went in looking for a tear. They went in with the scope to examine the area,'' said Infante.

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#90348u0614 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Julio Cesar Chavez, the undefeated junior welterweight champion widely regarded as the best pound-for-pound boxer in the world, has signed a six-fight, $15 million contract with promoter Bob Arum, ending his association with Don King.

The attorney for Chavez, 73-0 with 60 knockouts, and Arum announced the signing Thursday night. Chavez, 28, holds two 140-pound titles, including the International Boxing Federation version formerly held by Meldrick Taylor won in a highly controversial fight last March. He is also the World Boxing Council title-holder.

King's failure to make a deal for a Taylor rematch proved the final straw in Chavez's building dissatisfaction with his promoter, the champion's attorney Leon Pizante, said Thursday night.

Pizante said Chavez, a native of Culiacan, Mexico, Thursday night arrived in Las Vegas, Nev., where Arum and the attorney have been negotiating since Tuesday.

Pizante said since King's contract with Chavez ran out last July, Chavez had entered into only individual bout agreements with King. Chavez fought on the undercard of a King promotion Saturday night in Atlantic City, N.J. The next was to be a Taylor rematch in January but Pizante and Taylor's promoter, Dan Duva, said King wanted so much money for himself that he couldn't get a site for the fight.

Piznate said the terms of King's agreement with Duva for the rematch called for King to make the fight by Nov. 13. The attorney said King never notified Chavez his $2 1-2-million payday for a non-title fight fell through. The champion didn't know until he got to Atlantic City last week he wouldn't have a foreseeable chance to prove he deserved to beat Taylor, who was stopped by the referee with two seconds left while back on his feet.

''Julio was very upset because he wanted to fight him but Julio didn't know that King was unable to put together a fight, even in March, '' Pizante said. ''King was basically unavailable to Julio in Atlantic City. He just doesn't think people will hold him to his word.

''It got very critical Nov. 12 or 13, they wanted to know where we're going to fight,'' Pizante said. ''They have to work with television and also, it's very bad for their fighter to sit that long, even very bad for Julio (who fights often).

''They held up their end,'' Pizante said of Duva and Taylor.

''Don King's failure to put that fight together as promised cost them Julio

Cesar Chavez,'' Duva said. ''He's very important because he fits into so many important fights this year and next year, with Taylor, (Hector) Camacho, (Pernell) Whitaker and Aaron Davis.''

A spokesman for Arum said the contract won't take effect until May, 1991. King's attorney would not immediately available for comment.

''The thing is, everyone in the boxing business from the boxers to the casinos to the TV networks are catching up with Don King,'' Duva said. ''The only man who hasn't is Mike Tyson,'' Duva said.

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#90348u0620 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

DAYTON, OH (DEC. 14) UPI - Lt. Gov. Paul Leonard said Friday it is time for AT&T to ''reach out and touch someone else'' and abandon its hostile takeover attempt of Dayton-based NCR Corp.

Leonard, in remarks prepared for delivery at Sinclair Community College, urged Ohio citizens not to patronize AT&T.

''We preach business retention as the cornerstone of our economic development policy in the state of Ohio,'' said Leonard, who also serves as the state development department director. ''If we really believe that, now is the time to put our money where our mouth is. The effort to deter AT&T is business retention in its purest form.

''It makes absolutely no sense for Miami Valley residents to purchase products from AT&T, and thereby help subsidize the elimination of NCR from the Dayton scene,'' Leonard said. ''Consumer pressure, especially at this time of year, is the one way that concerned citizens can send a strong message to AT&T.''

Leonard went on to say the confrontation must end soon or both companies will suffer.

''The longer this goes, the more dangerous it becomes,'' he said. ''Soon, both companies will be drained of valuable resources; that makes them vulnerable to other sharks who may be swimming in circles and smelling blood.''

The lieutentant governor also said he was skeptical about comments from AT&T Chairman Robert Allen that any job redundancies that occur with the combining of the two firms will be reflected in changes or cuts at AT&T.

''Corporate promises about business retention and no layoffs in a community are about as fragile as tomorrow's stock market, especially in view of the national economy,'' Leonard said. ''In my opinion, if Mr. Allen really means it, he should be prepared to provide that commitment, in writing to Dayton and the state of Ohio leaders.''

Leonard also said that Allen's comments are not very reassuring to stockholders or employees at AT&T, either.

''It sure sounds like a rob Peter to pay Paul strategy to me,'' he said. ''I would like to see a written commitment that if the takeover is successful, there will be no job loss at AT&T or NCR facilities in Ohio.''

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#90348u0624 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Dec. 13: Purchases of 439,463 shares and sales of 681,576 shares including 8,032 shares sold short.

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#90348u0634 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 14) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Dec. 14:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen pc	1pm	41	05
Amsterdam pc	1pm	38	03
Ankara pc	3pm	49	09
Athens cy	2pm	58	14
Auckland c	12m	64	18
Beijing c	8pm	30	00
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	34	01
Bonn cy	1pm	38	03
Brussels cy	1pm	38	03
Cairo hz	2pm	68	20
Casablanca c	12n	54	12
Copenhagen pc	1pm	34	01
Dakar d	12n	73	23
Dublin sm	1pm	44	07
Geneva pc	1pm	33	01
Helsinki c	2pm	26	-03
Hong Kong c	8pm	70	21
Jerusalem cy	2pm	59	15
Karachi	5pm	-	-
Lisbon c	1pm	49	09
London fy	1pm	35	01
Madrid c	1pm	44	07
Malta pc	1pm	55	12

Manila c	8pm	82	28
Moscow s	3pm	30	00
Nairobi cy	3pm	72	22
Nassau c	7am	63	17
New Delhi pc	6pm	69	20
Nice pc	1pm	48	09
Oslo cy	1pm	29	-01
Paris cy	1pm	40	04
Pretoria pc	2pm	82	28
Riyadh	3pm	81	27
Rome pc	1pm	50	10
Seoul c	9pm	28	-01
Sofia c	2pm	42	05
Stockholm pc	1pm	31	00
Sydney cy	10pm	74	23
Taipei r	8pm	67	19
Tokyo hz	9pm	53	11
Tunis cy	1pm	53	12
Vienna cy	1pm	41	05
Warsaw cy	1pm	34	01

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	67	19
Caracas pc	8am	70	21
Havana c	7am	66	19
Lima dr	7am	62	17
Mexico City	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro	9am	-	-
Santiago c	8am	64	18

Canada

Calgary c		32	-00
Edmonton pc		24	-04
Montreal		-	-
Ottawa		-	-
Regina c		20	-06
Toronto c		50	10
Vancouver r		40	04
Winnipeg c		17	-08

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain

sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

-30- 2443
#90348u0650 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 14) UPI - Fire officials in Revere, Massachusetts, say they have brought a huge fire under control. The fire that engulfed a number of triple-decker houses burned out of control for about three hours before firefighters got the upper hand. Gusty winds sent burning embers flying over the area from a triple-decker house, setting about five others on fire. There have been NO reports of deaths or injuries to residents. However, at least three firefighters were reported injured.

A published report says a man reputed to be a major cocaine trafficker and successor to the ''king'' of the Bolivian cocaine trade was quietly arrested at his home near Los Angeles. Jorge Roca-Suarez reportedly was arrested at his 19-room house in suburban San Marino. An UNnamed law enforcement source said the arrests resulted from a federal indictment that is expected to be unsealed today.

Authorities are trying to determine if the deaths of 12 members of a religious group were accidental, or if the worshippers were poisoned. The bodies were found in a small house east of downtown Tijuana, Mexico, after a night of chanting. The bodies were found sprawled in a circle. Six people, including the 72-year-old spiritual leader and a four-month- old girl found in her dead mother's arms, were hospitalized in comas.

In Hong Kong, seven Vietnamese refugees set themselves on fire to protest a government policy of repatriating boat people fleeing their homeland for economic reasons. The seven were among a group of 10 boat people at the Whitehead detention center staging a hunger strike against the policy. Officials said camp guards quickly extinguished the fire. The boat people sustained minor injuries and were taken to a nearby hospital.

North Korean Prime Minister Yon Hyong-muk went home from South Korea today after UNsuccessful talks with his South Korean counterpart on how to end Korea's 45-year division. Yon came to Seoul for the third round of the inter-Korea prime ministers talks and had two meetings with the South Korean prime minister. No agreement was produced except that they will get together again in the North Korean capital February 25-28.

Lithuania has announced that its representatives will boycott the Congress of People's Deputies opening Monday because the Baltic republic considers the Soviet Union a foreign state. The 10-day congress of 22- hundred 50 delegates

will discuss a new union treaty for the nation's 15 republics and elect a vice president for the new country and a new premier.

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#90348u0654 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, GERMANY (DEC. 14) UPI - Prince Johannes of Thurn and Taxis, considered one of Europe's richest man with a global empire worth more than $1 billion, died Friday after his second heart transplant in seven weeks. He was 64.

The prince, who has suffered from heart disease for several years, received the first heart transplant Oct. 26 in a six-hour operation. An infection required follow-up surgery. Several days ago, his body rejected the donated heart and another transplant was needed.

Surgeons operated again Wednesday, but his body was too weak to recover fully from the second transplant, physicians said. The aristocrat died in a hospital near Munich.

The prince, whose ancestors created the postal service in central Europe 500 years ago, ruled over a global empire of companies, properties and real estate worth an estimated $1.3 billion to $3.4 billion.

The prince is survived by his wife Gloria, 30, and three children.

Family tradition dictates that the prince's son Albert, 7, will inherit the empire - which includes Europe's largest privately owned forest property, 50 companies, the largest European brewery, a bank, castles, and apartment buildings.

Trustees and Princess Gloria, who married Europe's most eligible bachelor in 1980, will manage the empire until Albert's 18th birthday.

The billionaire - whose full name was Johannes Baptista de Jesus Maria Louis Miguel Friedrich Bonifazius Lamoral Prince of Thurn and Taxis - his wife, son Albert and daughters Maria Theresia, 10, and Elisabeth, 8, lived in a 500-room castle in southern Germany that is larger than London's Buckingham Palace.

The funeral will be held after Christmas, a family spokesman said.

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#90348u0656 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (DEC. 14) UPI - An apprentice engineer tried three times but was unable to brake his speeding Amtrak train moments before it derailed and slammed into a packed commuter train, federal investigators said.

More than 260 people were injured Wednesday when the Amtrak Night Owl from

Washington, D.C., rammed the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority commuter train inside Boston's Back Bay Station.

Rookie engineer Richard Abramson was at the controls when the train, speeding at more than 90 mph, derailed on a curve despite his attempts to slow it, federal officials said.

''He made three attempts to slow the train, and in each instance, in his opinion, the brakes failed to set up properly to slow the train,'' Susan Couglin, vice chairwoman of the National Transportation Safety Board, said Thursday night after interviewing Abramson in his hospital room.

Coughlin said it was estimated the average speed in the mile and a quarter before the crash was 91.8 mph, during which the train traveled 6,590 feet.

She added, however, that investigators will probably never know exactly how fast it was going when it jumped the track because one of the recorders was destroyed in the crash and the other, for unknown reasons, did not record the last five miles of the trip.

''We have no explanation of why'' the recorder failed, Couglin said. ''We will never know the exact speed of impact.''

Abramson, 41, of Trumbull, Conn., told investigators that the last time he looked at the train's speedometer it registered between 60 and 70 mph.

''I was driving. The next thing I knew, we were in a heap of wreckage in the engine. There was fire all around us. it was scary,'' Abramson said in Friday's Boston Herald.

Amtrak Train 66 was just arriving from Washington and was being driven by Abramson, a trainee who had just begun to work on regular lines, under the supervision of senior engineer Willis E. Copeland, 53, of Bethany, Conn.

Copeland, a 25-year railroad veteran, had previously been involved in several major rail incidents and on March 27 agreed to a lifetime ban from the Metro-North Railroad, which runs from Pennsylvania Station in New York to New Haven, Conn., the Herald reported.

The report said Copeland was banned because he ran two stop signs and was suspended for 10 days. He was also involved in a Nov. 29, 1988, incident in Port Chester, N.Y., and another In Milford, Conn., on March 9. Both involved signal violations.

Copeland was also involved in a Conrail derailment in the late 1970s in New York City that resulted in his dismissal, although he was later rehired. He was also the engineer of one of the trains involved in a Queens, N.Y., crash in 1984 in which one person died. That crash was blamed on a signal problem.

Both Abramson and Copeland remained hospitalized with injuries suffered in Wednesday's crash. Both have undergone mandatory drug and alcohol tests, but the results have not been released.

Nine other people injured in the mishap also remain hospitalized. None are in serious condition.

Work crews Friday continued to remove the wreckage of the three 120- ton locomotives from inside the tunnel leading into Back Bay station. Some 8,000 feet of track in the tunnel has to be repaired or replaced.

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#90348u0669 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - Business sales rose 0.9 percent in October while inventories rose 0.4 percent from the previous month, the Commerce Department reported Friday.

The government said the value of sales and manufacturing shipments in October were an estimated $551.9 billion, up 0.9 percent from September and 4.9 percent above year-ago levels.

Sales of durable goods, those big-ticket items designed to last three years or more, increased 1.8 percent from year-ago levels.

Within this category, manufacturers and retailers said the value of goods sold in October rose 3.9 percent and 0.9 percent, respectively from year-earlier levels.

Non-durable goods sales increased by 1.4 percent from September and 7.7 percent from year-earlier levels. Within this category, wholesalers and manufacturers sales rose 2.7 percent and 1.6 percent respectively.

Manufacturers' inventories were estimated at $813.9 billion in October, up 2.5 percent from year-earlier levels. Inventories stood at $810.8 billion in September and $807.4 billion in August.

Inventories of durable goods totalled $495.1 billion, up 1.4 percent from year-ago levels while non-durable inventories stood at $318.7 billion, up 4.3 percent from the year before.

The total inventories to sales ration was 1.47 in October, down 0.01 from Septmeber and 0.04 from year-earlier levels.

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Within this category, manufacturers and retailers said the value of goods sold in October rose 3.9 percent and 0.9 percent, resepctively, from year-earlier levels.

Non-durable goods sales increased 1.4 percent from September and 7.7 percent from year-earlier levels. Within this category, wholesalers and manufacturers sales rose 2.7 percent and 1.6 percent respectively.

Manufacturers' inventories were estimated at $813.9 billion in October, up 2.5 percent from year-earlier levels. Inventories stood at $810.8 billion in September and $807.4 billion in August.

Inventories of durable goods totaled $495.1 billion, up 1.4 percent from year-ago levels. Non-durable inventories stood at $318.7 billion, up 4.3 percent from the year before.

The total inventories to sales ratio was 1.47 in October, down .01 from September and .04 from year-earlier levels.

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PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 14) UPI - A federal judge has refused to dismiss a defamation suit against Donald Trump by an investment analyst who claims the developer had him fired for predicting that the glitzy Taj Mahal would have difficulty surviving.

Trump's lawyers argued that Marvin B. Roffman could not prove that the devloper made statements that cost Roffman his job. But U.S. District Judge Louis Bechtle, in an opinion released Thursday, kept the suit alive.

Roffman contends that he lost his job with Janney Montgomery Scott because he withdrew an apology Trump demanded. While Trump described the billion-dollar Taj Mahal Casino Resort as the ''eighth wonder of the world,'' Roffman suggested that it would not draw the crowds to Atlantic City, N.J., that Trump expected.

The analyst was quoted Mar. 20 in the Wall Street Journal as saying the Taj ''will break every record in April, June and July, but once the cold winds blow from October to February, it just won't make it. The market just isn't there.''

Trump's real estate empire is now in trouble, brought down partly by the Taj's enormous debt. Trump avoided bankruptcy six months ago with $65 million in emergency loans as part of a deal with the banks holding $1.9 billion in debt.

But the Philadelphia Inquirer quoted sources in the Trump organization Friday as saying that he needs $180 million more to survive the winter. Trump was also scheduled to file a final debt restructuring plan Friday with the New Jersey Casino Control Commission.

Trump's lawyers say the plan includes giving the holders of $675 million in debt on the casino a half-interest in the operation in return for their forgiveness of all but 10 percent of the interest due on the bonds.

Roffman's suit contends that the day after the Wall Street Journal article, Trump sent a letter to Janney demanding a retraction or Roffman's firing.

Roffman faxed a letter of apology to Trump Mar. 21, but the next day sent a second letter saying he had reconsidered the apology.

''The conditions under which I signed the previous letter were extremely stressful,'' Roffman wrote in the second letter.

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MARYSVILLE, OH (DEC. 14) UPI - The American Honda Motor Co. reportedly is considering building a new Civic model at one of its Ohio plants starting in about a year.

Sources told The Cleveland Plain Dealer in a story published Friday that the new model would not be produced in Japan. It would be built only in Marysville or nearby East Liberty, Ohio.

The company on Thursday introduced its first station wagon produced entirely in the United States. It was a 1991 model Accord and was designed, engineered and developed in the United States.

The wagon will be built exclusively at Honda's manufacturing plant in Marysville.

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ROME (DEC. 14) UPI - European Community leaders agreed Friday to send emergency food aid to the Soviet Union to prevent winter famine and show strong support for the policies of President Mikhail Gorbachev.

The accord came on the first day of a two-day summit that will launch historic steps toward a common currency and a joint foreign policy in the 12-nation EC.

''All without exception agree to give immediate aid to the Soviet Union,'' said a spokesman for Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, who holds the rotating EC presidency.

The EC executive Commission had proposed $1 billion in Soviet food aid, about one-third of it in outright grants and the other two-thirds in credits.

It was not initially decided how much the EC would immediately provide, because some countries said credits would only add to the Soviet Union's debt. Discussion continued at the summit.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany, whose country has already provided food aid to the Soviets, spoke first on the need to send EC food assistance.

''If Gorbachev fails, it's going to cost us even more in the long run so we ought to do something today,'' said Kohl, according to officials.

French President Francois Mitterrand said the EC should go beyond food aid, to include technical assistance and balance-of-payment help, because ''the whole situation in the Soviet Union should be seen as an emergency.''

The EC leaders discussed the Soviet Union's troubled food distribution system, saying it was especially important for food to reach Moscow and Leningrad.

The Persian Gulf crisis, South Africa and the stalled world trade talks were also on the agenda for Friday.

The summit concludes on Saturday with inauguration of two landmark constitutional conventions, on economic and monetary union and on political union.

The ''intergovernmental conferences,'' as they are known, are slated to end next year with changes to the EC's founding charter, the 1957 Treaty of Rome, eventually leading to a single currency and a common security policy.

The new British prime minister, John Major, stressed that Britain was prepared to play a positive role in EC affairs. His predecessor, Margaret Thatcher, fell from power last month over her strident opposition to EC integration.

''I don't think anyone in the Community wants confrontation,'' Major said. ''We have to engage in discussions in a constructive spirit and so must our

partners.''

Although Major shares Thatcher's opposition to a single currency and some other EC policies, the new prime minister's tone at his first EC summit was far more accommodating.

''He said there is a real desire in Britain for having the Community succeed, especially among the young people,'' the Italian spokesman said.

Major and several other leaders said it was important for the EC summit to send a strong statement on the troubled world trade talks. Negotiations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade collapsed in Brussels last week over a dispute between the EC and the United States over the Community's huge agriculture subsidies.

Major, according to British sources, said ''the EC must not be too inward-looking, it must be outward-looking,'' whether dealing with the gulf crisis, the Soviet Union or the GATT talks.

''There is a general feeling that the Community did have flexibility on agriculture, but might not have used that flexibility to its full effect,'' the sources said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $372.50, silver base of $3.97 and platinum price of $416.40:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$387.90	388.00
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	199.10	199.10
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	102.20	102.30
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.30	42.30
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	387.90	388.00
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	199.10	199.10
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	102.70	102.80
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.30	42.30
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	394.10	394.20
China Panda .50 troy oz.	203.10	203.10
China Panda .25 troy oz.	105.30	105.30
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	45.50	45.50
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.20	27.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	386.30	388.20
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	198.60	198.30
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	85.30	100.30
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.20	43.20

Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	386.50	386.60
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	200.20	200.20
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	102.70	102.80
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	43.80	43.80
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	386.70	386.40
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	198.90	198.70
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	85.40	85.30
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.20	44.20
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.60	23.60
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.38	$5.41
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,090	$3,080
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,325	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	432.00	432.00
Isle of Man Noble	429.00	429.00
Canada Maple Leaf	440.00	440.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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NEUCHATEL, SWITZERLAND (DEC. 14) UPI - Prolific Swiss writer Fiederich Duerrenmatt, ever-rebellious author of countless plays, novels and essays, died of a heart attack early Friday, his publishers announced. He was 69.

Duerrenmatt's collected works, running to 40 volumes, include his first big success ''Romulus the Great'' and his later ''The Visit,'' ''The Physicists,'' ''Christmas,'' ''The Fellow Traveller,'' ''Play Strindberg,'' and ''The Rebel.''

A huge man, Duerrenmatt was not always easy to get along with, mainly because severe diabetes made him moody.

Born Jan. 5, 1921, in Konolfingen in German-speaking Switzerland near the capital of Bern, he lived most of his writing life in Neuchatel in the French-speaking part of the country.

His novels and plays - he was also a theater producer - won him international awards, including Germany's Schiller Prize.

Duerrenmatt was a doctor of literature at Temple University in Philadelphia, and he received honorary doctorates from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and Nice University in France.

Son of a parson and pacifist, he was one of Switzerland's two best- known contemporary writers, the other being Max Frisch.

Duerrenmatt first wrote a series of plays and turned to prose only in his later years - ''Beethoven expressed his profoundest music not in his symphonies but in his late quartets,'' he once told an interviewer.

He was involved in a literary scandal in 1981 when an Austrian journalist, Andre Mueller, published a long interview citing attacks by Duerrenmatt on other writers such as Gunther Grass, Rolf Hochhuth, Heinrich Boell, Samuel Beckett, Ionescu, and Frisch.

Duerrenmatt never denied giving the interview but said he had been speaking off the record, did not know he was being recorded, and that remarks were taken out of context.

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#90348u0720 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

ASUNCION (DEC. 14) UPI - The Paraguayan Senate Thursday completed Congressional approval of the state alcohol company privatization, which is part of a stabilization plan under an agreement with the International Monetary Fund. The measure is now expected to be signed into law by President Andres Rodriguez.

The Paraguayan Alcohol Administration, as the company is known, has been valued by a consulting firm at $32 million. Congress ruled that the sale of the enterprise will be conducted with the participation of employees and industrialists in the sugar cane distilling business.

In October, the government told the IMF it would reduce inflation from 45 percent a year to 16 percent by December 1991. The government plans to cut inflation by reducing the deficit of state companies, and selling some off to the private sector. At least four other state firms may also be sold. Paraguay's foreign debt is among the smallest in South America, estimated at $1.6 billion.

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#90348u0726 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (DEC. 14) UPI - Soviet defense expenditures, after rising until 1988, started to decline in 1989, a NATO report said Friday.

The report said NATO calculates that Soviet defense outlays ''rose in real terms at a higher rate between 1985-88 than in the previous five years, driven by the production of several new generations of weapons systems whose development predates (Soviet President Mikhail) Gorbachev.

''Unilateral force reductions, withdrawals from Eastern Europe and cuts in military production led to a 4 percent real decline in expenditure in 1989,'' the report said.

''While it is still too early to give definitive figures for 1990, the Soviets appear to be making additional cuts of a similar magnitude to 1989.

''However, defense spending still accounted for 15-17 percent of Gross Domestic Product. The defense sector remains highly inefficient, continuing to tie down a significant proportion of human and capital resources, to the detriment of the civilian sector.

''NATO believes that the defense budget will continue to fall after 1990 as the budgetary impact of force reductions and withdrawals and arms control agreements are felt, and that defense expenditure is likely to decline in real terms until at least 1985,'' the report said.

Analyzing the reasons for the reversal in Soviet defense spending, the report said, ''The (Soviet) leadership now recognizes that the obsession with building up its military power had encouraged NATO to increase its own defense spending and placed an unsustainable burden on the economy.''

''Realization that economic policy was failing, coupled with a reappraisal of political and security policy has led to dramatic changes, including greater openness on defense expenditure and the announcement and implementation of plans for reducing the share of resources going to defense,'' the report said.

Looking to the future, the report said, ''Continuing failure of economic policies would provide an even greater impetus for reducing defense expenditure.

''During the 1990s NATO also expects a radical reduction in the size of the military-industrial complex and a further shifting of resources to the civilian sector.

''Pressure on defense spending and on defense plants to do more for the civil economy will gradually reduce capacity to step up arms production in a crisis.

''However, to the extent that the central authorities retain strong control over defense policy in any agreement between the republics on the future of the union, NATO would expect them to seek to maintain strategic and conventional capabilities at a level necessary to protect the security of the state,'' the report said.

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#90348u0731 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 14) UPI - A major fire is burning this morning in Revere, Massachusetts. At least six or seven triple-decker homes were involved at the height of the blaze, that has been termed suspicious. NO deaths have been reported... but three fire fighters suffered minor injuries.

More than one hundred area residents either fled the burning homes or were evacuated from other nearby homes as flying embers from the blaze touched off fires in the other houses. The Red Cross set up a shelter at a nearby Jewish community center.

European Community leaders began a two-day summit in Rme today. The first item of business was consideration of one-BILLIION dollars in emergency food aid for the Soviet Union, which was likely to be approved.

Lithuania has taken another step to assert its independence from the Soviet Union. Lithuania says its representatives will boycott Monday's Congress of People's Deputies because the Baltic republic considers Soviet Union a foreign state.

An earthquake measuring six-point-seven on the Richter scale struck near the east coast of the island of Taiwan today. It was the second quake to hit the island in less than 24 hours. Landslides and structural damage occurred, but there were no immediate reports of injuries.

African National Congress President Oliver Tambo called today for a re-evaluation of the movement's campaign for economic sanctions against Pretoria. Tambo addressed the opening session of the A-N-C's first national conference in South Africa since a ban against it was lifted.

Federal investigators say the apprentice engineer at the controls of the Amtrak train that crashed into a packed commuter train in Back Bay station this week tells them the brakes on the train did NOT work when he tried to slow the train down.

Israeli Army Radio reports that the bodies of three Jews were found at an aluminum plant in the coastal town of today. Police suspect Islamic fundamentalist supporters in the slayings. Arabic slogans were found on the walls of the plant.

India's prime minister Chandra Shekar traveled today to thje northern state of Uttar Pradesh for talks with local officials on their efforts to end a wave of communal violence that left 18 people dead in Moslem- Hindu clashes overnight.

A Japanese newspaper reports today that the Japanese government has agreed to

increase its share of the payment of costs of maintaining U-S military bases in Japan from the current 40 percent to about 50 percent.

A Japanese Foreign Ministry spokesman says a one-BILLION dollar Japanese funding bill for the U-S-led multilateral forces in the Gulf must gain opposition party approval to survive. The bill was approved by the lower house of Japan's Parliament yesterday.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 14) UPI - Three Israelis were stabbed to death Friday at an aluminum factory in the mixed Jewish-Arab coastal town of Jaffa, and police suspected Islamic fundamentalist supporters in the slayings.

The killings sparked violent attacks against Arabs and Arab-owned vehicles in Jaffa and nearby Tel Aviv.

Dozens of angry Israelis, reinforced by supporters of the ultra right-wing Kach movement of slain American Rabbi Meir Kahane, chanted ''Death to the Arabs'' and ''Revenge,'' smashing car windows and setting one vehicle on fire. Kahane was assassinated in New York City last month.

One Arab was stabbed in the head and hospitalized, while police detained at least 16 Israelis as a result of attacks against Arabs, Army Radio reported. The rioting clogged roads around the coastal towns but police broke up much of the violence as the Jewish Sabbath began Friday evening.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, returning from the United States, called the slayings ''gruesome'' and said ''appropriate measures'' would be taken. Police described the attack as one of the most serious intercommunal acts of violence in the Tel Aviv-Jaffa area this year.

Nationalistic slogans in Arabic, found on walls inside the factory, were attributed to the outlawed Islamic Fundamentalist Movement, known by its Arabic acronym Hamas, Police Commissioner Ya'acov Terner said. Friday marked the third anniversary of Hamas' founding.

''The slogans in Arabic on the walls inside are clear,'' Terner said. ''They took responsibility. They came in order to murder.''

Police detained nearly two dozen Arabs for questioning and set up roadblocks in the country's center to try to find the attackers, who they said were two brothers from the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip. One of the Palestinians worked at the aluminum factory, but no suspects had been arrested, police said.

''I am in favor of finding a compromise and to reach an understanding,'' Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat said shortly after the slayings. ''But when I see the

reaction of the Arabs in the territories and of the Hamas people, I start to think twice. If we have to deal with murderers, this is not the way.''

Police said the three Jews - two men and a woman - were killed by multiple stab wounds and one witness described a weapon found as a ''long commando knife.'' The three Israelis will be buried Sunday in state funerals.

Apparently fearful of attacks by Israelis, thousands of Palestinian workers began returning to the Gaza Strip within hours of the slayings. Army Radio reported police patrols were established along Israeli roads leading to Gaza to prevent stone-throwing and violence against Arabs.

Israel has been hit by a series of stabbing attacks by Arabs against Jews since the Oct. 8 killings of at least 17 Palestinians by Israeli police on the Temple Mount. The Temple Mount, known in Arabic as Haram esh Sharif or The Noble Sancturary, is Islam's third holiest site and the site of the Jewish Temple.

Four Israelis were killed in those stabbings previous to Friday's attack.

''We don't want murders of Jews. Neither of Arabs. We want peace, state next to state,'' one Israeli Arab from Jaffa told Army Radio.

According to reports by police and witnesses, two plant employees entered the factory about 7 a.m. with the two Palestinians and were subsequently stabbed and killed. A third Israeli working at another company nearby was killed after he heard the others' cries and came to their aid.

The slayings were discovered about an hour later by another factory worker who summoned police.

Yossi Sarid, a left-wing member of Israel's parliament, said the slayings might strengthen the hand of Israelis who advocate providing Gaza residents with self-government.

But in a telegram to Shamir, right-wing Israeli parliamentarian Rahamim Zee'vi asked ''how many more victims will be sacrificed until the government of Israel will take measures to liquidate and end the intifada,'' the 3-year-old Palestinian uprising against Israeli occupation.

''If the government will not take drastic measures it won't be possible to prevent any more spontaneous Jewish organizations from revenge killings on Arabs,'' warned Yuval Ne'eman, Israel's ultra right- wing Minister of Science and Technology.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 69.50-71.25 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 116.625-118.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 35.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $185.00-$195.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $415.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $419.50-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $104.00-$108.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 274.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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ATHENS, GREECE (DEC. 14) UPI - An Iranian cleric renewed Tehran's verbal assault on the United States, describing America as ''the great Satan'' while addressing a congregation, the official Islamic Republic News Agency said Friday.

Former Chief Justice Ayatollah Abdul Karim Ardebili, addressing the prayer congregation in Tehran, said the United States was ''responsible for all problems facing the Muslim world.''

Iranian clerics have not used the term ''the great Satan'' for the United States since the death of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini in June 1989, and Tehran residents reached by telephone said the renewed outburst may be a result of the power struggle within Iran.

Algerian President Chadli Ben Jedid attended the prayer ceremony after a meeting with Iranian President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani.

Ardebili criticized the United States for deploying close to half a million troops in the Persian Gulf, an IRNA dispatch monitored in Athens said.

The Algerian president, who was on a trip to the region in a bid to find a peaceful solution to the gulf crisis, arrived in Tehran Thursday.

IRNA said he held consultations with Rafsanjani on ways of averting a war in the gulf. The news agency gave no further details. Ben Jedid left Tehran after attending the prayer ceremonies.

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#90348u0778 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (DEC. 14) UPI - The Air Force is investigating the discovery of a pipe bomb at NASA's Ames-Dryden Flight Research Facility, a spokeswoman said Friday.

A maintenance worker found the device at about 3:30 p.m. PST lying on the ground less than 20 feet from a small building that houses a dispensary and maintenance facilities, said spokeswoman Nancy Lovato.

''It was a small explosive device. It was not fused. It would not have blown up,'' she said, describing it as ''a cylindrical device'' less than a foot in length and filled with an unidentified powder.

Workers notified Air Force security, who removed the device for analysis, she said. No evaculation was necessary.

The facility serves as a processing center for space shuttles that land at the Air Force base's desert runway.

The shuttle Columbia, which had landed at 9:54 p.m. Monday to conclude a nine-day astronomy mission, was still at the center but was located at least a half-mile from where the bomb was found, she said.

''There is no reason to suspect that that's connected to the shuttle, '' said

Lovato.

About 900 people work at the aeronautics research center, which is located in the Mojave Desert about 80 miles from Los Angeles.

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(DEC. 14) - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
ATI Medical (1st Q 10-31)	
$12,998,800	$11,505,810
d-$290,800	$792,364 (.15)

d-Deficit.

Boston Bancorp (4th Q 10-31)	
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$2,839,000 (.42)	a-$7,919,000 (1.04)

a-Includes gains of $6,500,000 from the sale of Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. common stock.

Cavco Indus Inc (4th Q 9-30)	
$9,245,610	$7,856,317
$299,045 (.28)	d-$100,355

d-Deficit.

Circuit City Strs (3rd Q 11-30)	
$589,124,000	$525,886,000
$4,412,000 (.10)	$14,600,000 (.32)

Computer Factory (4th Q 9-30)	
$67,632,000	$89,926,000
d-$6,263,000	d-$3,365,000

d-Deficit.

Jay Jacobs (3rd Q 11-30)	
$26,948,000	$25,099,000
d-$608,000	$336,000 (.06)

d-Deficit.

Laser Recording Systems (3rd Q 10-31)	
$347,762	$388,631
d-$218,391	d-$23,589

d-Deficit.

Mays J W (1st Q 10-31)

$1,711,000 $1,484,162
d-$269,480 d-$262,150
d-Deficit.

Micron Technology (1st Q 11-29)
$66,500,000 $80,300,000
d-$9,300,000 a-$43,000
a-No per share figure reported.
d-Deficit.

Roadway Motor Pl (2nd Q 10-31)
$38,354,321 $30,738,615
$228,502 (.04) $39,955 (.01)

Rule Industries (4th Q 8-31)
$13,239,000 $13,624,000
ad-$435,000 $533,000 (.23)
ad-Deficit, includes charges related to litigation with U.S. Anchor and reserves for trade credits of $427,000 in the fourth quarter and $1,125,000 for the year.

Russ Togs (3rd Q 11-3)
$68,848,000 $74,873,000
d-$2,531,000 $1,217,000 (.16)
d-Deficit.

Stuart D A (3rd Q 9-30)
$22,863,664 $21,884,374
ad-$602,169 $211,202 (.10)
ad-Deficit, includes a pre-tax restructuring charge of $560,000.

Supermarkets General (3rd Q 11-3)
$1,483,219,000 $1,520,037,000
d-$15,669,000 d-$37,234,000
d-Deficit.

Trimedyne Inc (4th Q 9-30)
$3,462,000 $6,612,000
d-$1,152,000 $328,000 (.05)
d-Deficit.

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NAIROBI, KENYA (DEC. 14) UPI - Tens of thousands of people are doomed to starve to death next year in Sudan despite international efforts to save them, U.S. government officials said Friday.

Drought now spreads across large areas of northeast Africa, the officials said. Northern Ethiopia will suffer worse food shortages than this year, and the logistics of supplying much of western Sudan with up to 700,000 tons of food will defeat aid agencies and kill ''tens of thousands,'' according to Andrew Natsios, director of the U.S. government's Foreign Disaster Assistance program.

''It is impossible to avoid significant famine deaths,'' he said.

Natsios and other U.S. officials, including regional representatives, refugees specialists, aid officials and Food for Peace officers, were meeting in Nairobi to hammer out a response to next year's problems.

The U.N.'s Food and Agriculture Organization has just completed a report assessing Sudan's harvest shortfall at 1.2 million tons. This, said Khartoum-based disaster representative Rick Machmer, means 8 or 9 million people across Africa's largest nation will face food problems.

''Beginning in two weeks' time, 125,000 tons a month needs to arrive in Port Sudan,'' he said - close to the maximum capacity of the country's only port, 420 miles northeast of Khartoum on the Red Sea.

From there, food will need to move, mainly by truck, up to 1,000 miles west through desert and semi-desert to Kordofan and Darfur provinces, worst hit by the drought, at a cost of up to $500 per ton and a total program cost that could graze $1 billion.

In August, September and October 1991, Kordofan's entire food supply will depend on this relief food, Machmer predicted.

Aid agencies have yet to secure pledges of total cooperation from the Sudanese government, a hard-line Islamic military group which until last week refused to acknowledge an imminent famine and said it was the victim of Western propaganda aimed at undermining its agricultural policies.

''We hope that given the clear indications from the FAO, that will force closer cooperation,'' Natsios said.

Meanwhile, Ethiopia's northern provinces of Eritrea and Tigray, where up to 1 million people may have starved to death in 1984 and 1985, again face major shortages in 1991, and will need 750,000 tons of food to survive.

But disaster representative Bill Pearson had a message of optimism, noting that in 11 of 15 Ethiopian regions, harvests had risen by up to 15 percent and were reaching record levels.

''That, we think, bodes well for Ethiopia,'' he said and attributed the growth to the government's abandonment of Marxist-Leninist agricultural control

policies earlier this year. Nevertheless, it would be years before Ethiopia could recover from 20 years of declining per capita food production.

Meanwhile, he also noted, aid agencies were due to deliver their 100, 000th ton of food to Tigray some time this week, ''probably the largest relief effort across active lines of conflict that we know of.''

Tigray and Eritrea are both fighting decades-old civil wars against the government. A breakthrough agreement between the two sides, negotiated by Ethiopian church groups, allowed trucks to take food through battle zones from April this year.

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DURHAM, NH (DEC. 14) UPI - Buyouts of American companies by Japanese businesses are good for the U.S. economy and Americans should not fear such acquisitions, a University of New Hampshire political scientist said Friday.

Professor Bernard Gordon said Americans reacted with hostility to takeovers of Universal Studios and MCA Inc. by Matshushita Electrical Industrial Corp. and the purchase of Columbia Pictures Entertainment Corp. by Sony Corp.

But Gordon, who has been researching the effect of foreign trade on the U.S. economy for six years, said such acquisitions actually benefit the U.S. economy.

"Industry purchase is good for industry," he said. "The people who sold it say what every person (in the industry) would say - they're in a very competitive environment and more capital would allow them to compete more effectively."

Gordon said, while Japanese acquisitions attract most of the attention, Britain and the Netherlands have long been the biggest investors in the United States.

"Britain is half the size of Japan and invests twice as much, yet no one mentions them," Gordon said. "Foreigners other than Japanese own A&P, Howard Johnson's and Burger King and nobody kicks about that." Japanese capital invested in American industry, he said, helps to spur growth, create jobs and strengthen the economy.

Gordon also disputed the belief that trade with Japan is one-sided. He said the perception arises because Japan sells highly visible consumer goods, such as cars, while U.S. sales to Japan tend to be medical- or factory-oriented products.

"Sixty percent of what Japan buys is manufactured goods," Gordon said, noting that Japan spent $22 billion on manufactured goods last year, more than

Britain and France combined.

He said the United States has a population that is twice the size of Japan's and that leads to a balance of trade deficit in absolute terms. But on a per capita basis, he said, U.S.-Japan trade is about equal, with each American spending about $374 per year in Japan and each Japanese spending about $360 on American goods. Gordon said the U.S. economy will benefit from freer trade.

"Americans have always sought investment with no barriers against us," he said. "By the same token, we should have no barriers here. If we go that route we'll go the way of the (economic) basket cases of the world."

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - President Bush, though still hopeful of resolution is willing to forgo direct U.S.-Iraqi contacts if the circumstances are not worked out as the United States wants, two Republican senators said Friday.

After a meeting at the White House with Bush, Sens. Richard Lugar, R- Ind., and John McCain, R-Ariz., said the president was opposed to setting a date for the proposed meeting between Secretary of State James Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that pushed up too close to the U.N. Jan. 15 deadline for withdrawal from Kuwait.

But, said McCain, ''I think he's still hopeful. I think he is still doing everything he can to get this meeting.''

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater also maintained there was ''still plenty of time'' for a resolution to the standoff and rejected suggestions that the proposal for high-level talks was in jeopardy of collapsing.

''We still want them,'' the spokesman said.

But the unmistakable threat of no talks came as the clock ticked down toward the 30-day period proposed for the sessions between Bush and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Washington, and Baker and Saddam in Baghdad.

Lugar spoke to reporters shortly before the White House announced that Bush also would address the question directly before departing in the afternoon for Camp David.

''The president just said he is not about to give on a date in Baghdad that pushes it up toward the deadline of the U.N.,'' said Lugar. ''I suspect he hopes that Mr. Aziz will come and the Baker visit will occur, but I think the president, as I gathered his mood today, is prepared to have no meetings rather than to see a lot of shoving around.

''He believes that Saddam needs to get the point that it's Saddam that's in trouble - not the United States - and if we have no meetings, then so be it,'' said Lugar, the one-time chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

McCain added that Bush felt he already had ''taken the necessary steps'' to encourage dialogue and, ''if they fail to respond in a reasonable and mature fashion then he's made his best effort and that's it.''

''The president does want these meetings to take place - with the dates and the circumstances that we want,'' he said.

Both senators were at the White House as part of a bipartisan group called the Committee for Peace and Security in the Gulf, a collection of congressmen and private sector individuals basically in support of Bush's policy.

The standoff over the dates for the proposed talks, which have snagged with no agreement on the Baker mission, stems from the wording of the original proposal, made by Bush in his address to the nation on Nov 30.

He proposed that Aziz come to Washington some time after Dec. 15, this Saturday, and that Baker then go to Baghad before Jan. 15.

Bush and Baker have said that the purpose is not to negotiate but to deliver the message, face to face, to the Iraqi government that it must unconditionally withdraw the Iraqi army from Kuwait.

The Iraqis have come back with a proposal that Aziz come to Washington next Monday, Dec. 17, and that Baker go to Baghdad on Jan. 12.

But the administration realized, belatedly, that it would be a mistake to leave the Baker visit until 48 hours before the U.N. deadline for withdrawal, Jan. 15, since it is clear that Iraq would not be able to withdraw all its 500,000 troops from Kuwait in that period.

State Department officials, including spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler, when asked Thursday why the U.S. government is now rejecting an Iraqi proposal that falls within the window of time suggested by Bush, say that the president left himself ''some wiggle room'' by adding the phrase ''on a mutually convenient date'' within the 30-day period.

The United States has proposed 15 other dates for his visit to Iraq, including Christmas and New Year's Day, but the Iraqis have stuck to their original proposal, Jan. 12.

The State Department has ruled out Baker traveling to Baghdad on Jan. 12.

If the standoff continues, the Aziz visit to Washington will not take place on Monday, since the State Department has created a link between the two visits.

If one does not occur, then the second one will not take place, either.

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OMAHA (DEC. 14) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 40; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 1,500; butchers fully 1.00 higher, No 1-3 220-250 lb 50.00-50.25, about 100 head 50.75, No 2-3 250-270 lb 49.00-50.00, some No 1-3 250-260 lb 50.25-50.50, 270-290 lb 47.50-49.00, 290-310 lb 45.00-46.50; sows 15 percent, 50-1.50 higher, No 1-3 350-500 lb 37.00-37.50, No 2-3 500-650 lb 41.00, mostly 41.50.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock				
Hein-Werner Corp	..	5PC	1-23	1-9
Increased				
Belden & Blake	Q	.06	1-18	12-31
First Natl Bncp GA	Q	.18	1-1	12-14
Resumed				
Newcor Inc	..	.05	2-5	1-15
Usual				
AssociatedNaturalGas	Q	.03	1-31	12-31
Baker (J) Inc	Q	.01 1/2	2-1	1-17
Bell Industries	Q	.10	2-15	1-15
De Pere Federal	Q	.08 1/2	1-11	1-31
Commwlth Energy Sys	Q	.73	2-1	1-19
Consol Tomoka Land	A	.23	1-21	1-17
Countrywide Credit	Q	.07	1-11	12-27
Duplex Products	Q	.19	1-15	1-4
Imperial Holly	Q	.10	1-4	12-24
James River	Q	.15	1-31	1-17
Nerco Inc	Q	.16	2-15	1-31
SCOR US Corp	Q	.05	1-31	12-31
Standard Register	Q	.14	3-18	2-22
Washington Scient	Q	.05	1-25	1-9
Wiley (J) Sons cl-A	Q	.27 1/2	1-9	12-28
Wiely (J) Sons Cl-B	Q	.24 1/2	1-9	12-28

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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REVERE, MASS. (DEC. 14) UPI - A wind-driven 10-alarm conflagration - one of four fires in the city in a nine-hour period - blazed through a group of triple-decker homes early Friday, forcing more than 100 people to flee in freezing pre-dawn temperatures.

Police were investigating the possibility of arson in the fires.

There were no fatalities and the only injuries reported were to three firefighters from Revere, three from Boston and one from Chelsea who battled the blazes in the Shirley Avenue section of the coastal city near Boston.

''This was the worst that I've seen in 35 years that I've been on the job,'' Fire Chief James Connery said of the biggest fire. ''It is definitely suspicious, as were the other three fires in the city during the night.''

He said investigators were checking reports that three men in a white car were seen at all four fires.

One firefighter said officials were informed by ''an unidentified civilian'' who said he had seen a white car at all of the fires at area residences and said ''some of the residents have seen the occupants of that vehicle in behind the houses acting suspicious.''

Connery said the last fire broke out at 2:43 a.m and embers tossed around by gusty winds quickly caused the fire to spread out of control to other homes in the area.

''It went from building to building, structure to structure and even from street to street,'' Connery said.

He said nine triple-deckers were eventually involved in the fire, and ''three of them were completely destroyed.'' He said the blaze was contained at about 6 a.m.

''In my opinion, I think perhaps there was an accelerant used,'' said Connery. He said his arson squad is investigating the fires for evidence.

Connery said 132 people either fled the burning buildings or were evacuated from neighboring homes. Many were taken to a nearby Jewish Community center where the Red Cross set up a shelter.

Officials said 18 families involving more than 60 people were displaced, including a number of Asian immigrants who have moved into the neighborhood over the past couple of years.

The state has offered aid to help the city find more permanent shelter for the

displaced families.

The first fire of the night was reported about 6 p.m. Thursday night. One firefighter was reported injured in an earlier fire, officials said.

Local firefighters were aided by equipment from 20 surrounding communities, including from as far away as Nashua, N.H., officials said.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 14) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Friday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 86-89; large 82-88; medium 73-79.

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ROME (DEC. 14) UPI - The new British prime minister, John Major, made his debut Friday at a European Community summit and stressed his determination for Britain to play a positive role in Europe's future.

''I don't think anyone in the Community wants a confrontation,'' said Major. ''We have to engage in the discussions in a constructive spirit and so must our Community partners.''

Major, 47, became prime minister last month when Margaret Thatcher fell from power amid controversy over her strident opposition to EC integration. At the last EC summit, Oct. 27-28 in Rome, Thatcher said her colleagues were living in ''cloud cuckoo-land'' after they outvoted her 11-1 on EC monetary union.

Major said he shared Thatcher's opposition to a single European currency and some other aspects of EC policy, but was eager to present Britain's views in a helpful manner.

''We see it in our national self-interest to build and shape the European Community,'' said a top aide to Major.

The prime minister, he said, is ''wholeheartedly engaged in the great enterprise of building, shaping and developing Europe.''

The change in Britain's approach made an immediate impression at the summit, which concludes on Saturday with the launching of twin constitutional conventions, on monetary union and political union.

''Mr. Major said there's a real desire in Britain for having the Community succeed, especially among the young people,'' said a spokesman for Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, who holds the rotating EC presidency.

On Friday's first item of business, aid to the Soviet Union, Major said the EC should show ''broad solidarity'' with the policies of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

''It is significant that it came from Mr. Major,'' said the Italian spokesman.

Still, the new British prime minister made it clear the United Kingdom planned no radical new European initiatives.

''I was a member of Mrs. Thatcher's Cabinet for a long time,'' said Major, who was chancellor of the Exchequer, or treasury, before taking over the top job. ''The policies we put forward on Europe at that time were agreed Cabinet policies. They remain agreed Cabinet policies.''

Asked if Major's approach to the EC represented a break from the past, the Major aide said, ''In certain key areas like a single currency there is no change on Europe, but we need to get across our positions positively.''

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DHAKA, BANGLADESH (DEC. 14) UPI - Elections to the national Parliament of Bangladesh will be held on March 2, state-run television announced Friday.

The decision to hold elections to the 300-seat Parliament was taken by Bangladesh's acting President Shahabuddin Ahmed, who assumed power Dec.6.

The acting president, a former chief justice, said earlier his priority was to hold free and fair elections to restore democracy.

The details of the election schedule will be announced later by the election commission, the television reported.

The decision was taken two days after the interim government of Ahmed arrested ousted President Hussein Mohammed Ershad and several of his former ministers.

Ershad, his wife, Raushan, and his 8-year-old son, Saad, were moved from their home in the military garrison area of Dhaka to a posh diplomatic enclave where they are under house arrest.

Ershad's resignation Dec. 6 capped two month's of protest against his government. The former president, hoping to smother the protest movement, declared emergency rule Nov. 27, banning political activity, suspending constitutional rights and imposing censorship.

The move backfired, triggering mass protests in which opposition political parties were joined by lawyers, teachers and bureaucrats demanding Ershad's ouster.

Ershad took power in a 1982 coup. He won a five-year term as president during elections in 1986 that were largely boycotted by the opposition.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 92-94; large 89- 92 and mediums 80-83.

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#90348u0890 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - President and Mrs. Bush are mailing 145,000 Christmas cards featuring a watercolor reproduction of the decorated Oval Office, with all costs paid for by the Republican National Committee.

The painting, by New York interior designer Mark Hampton, depicts the Oval Office Christmas tree in full yuletide splendor with red bows and gold ornaments.

The original painting will be on display in the East Corridor Lobby for the thousands of visitors expected to tour the White House during the Christmas season.

Inside the card is the message in blue script: ''The President and Mrs. Bush extend their warmest wishes for a merry Christmas and a new year that will bring harmony to our world and happiness to you and those you love. 1990.'' The presidential seal is embossed above the message.

Hampton has been engaged in restoration work at the White House and Blair House in the past. It is the first time his art has been featured on a White House Christmas card.

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#90348u0907 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (DEC. 14) UPI - Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar traveled to strife-torn Uttar Pradesh state Friday for talks with local officials on their efforts to end a week of Moslem-Hindu violence that has reportedly killed nearly 200 people in India.

The prime minister's trip came as sporadic violence erupted in several major cities. In the Gujarat state capital of Ahmedabad, police fired more than 100 rounds of live ammunition at stone-throwing protesters, killing one person and wounding five, the Press Trust of India news agency reported.

Chenna Reddy, following the advice of the Congress (I) Party leadership, stepped down as the chief minister of southern Andhra Pradesh state after a party report sharply criticized his handling of the communal strife there.

The prime minister Friday began to try to limit his own political liability due to the conflict.

Shekhar, whose feeble minority government took office Nov. 10 after engineering the fall of Prime Minister V.P. Singh, has been under growing pressure to take active measures to halt the weeklong tide of communal violence that has rocked many Indian cities.

A cartoon on the front page of the prestigeous Times of India newspaper Friday lampooned the new prime minister's approach to the problems facing the nation, showing him issuing orders from the porch of a comfortable palace while the country collapsed outside.

According to reports by the Press Trust of India news agency, at least 195 people have been killed during a week of Moslem-Hindu clashes that have engulfed the states of Uttar Pradesh in the north, Gujarat in the west and Andhra Pradesh in the south.

Police said the situation in the Uttar Pradesh state capital of Lucknow was quiet but tense Friday as Shekhar arrived for talks with Chief Minister Mulayam Singh Yadav.

The two officials discussed the problem of communal violence, but Yadav later told reporters he had enough police forces to control the situation without additional help from the central government, the Press Trust said.

Yadav also told reporters that Hindu agitation in the city of Ayodhya had been peaceful in recent days. Ayodhya is the site of a disputed 16th century Moslem mosque that many Hindus believe was built atop a temple devoted to the god Rama.

A campaign by the Hindu chauvinist Bharatiya Janata Party and its ally, the World Hindu Council, to relocate the mosque and build a temple on the site triggered a confrontation that brought down the Singh government in November.

Hindus make up 80 percent of India's 850 million people, while Moslems are the largest minority in India, numbering 12 percent of the population.

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#90348u0913 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST (DEC. 14) UPI - Rebellious Libyan soldiers trained by the United States in Chad to destabilize the regime of Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi will be flown to Zaire Saturday at the request of the Libyan government, which wants them returned to Tripoli, diplomatic sources said.

The 700 dissident soldiers, who were among 2,000 captured by Chad during its war with Libya in the mid-1980s but who later renounced support for the Libyan strongman, were evacuated from Chad by the United States amid great secrecy last weekend.

The evacuation followed the overthrow of the anti-Gadhafi Chadian government of Hissene Habre by Libyan-supplied forces on Dec. 1.

Zairean President Mobutu Sese Seko said that on arrival in Zaire the rebels would be given the choice, already supposedly given in Chad, of returning to Libya if they wished. He did not speculate on their fate should they decide to go home.

Libyan Foreign Minister Mohamed Al-Bechari flew to the Zairean capital Kinshasa on Thursday to ask Mobutu to allow the soldiers into the country. The soldiers received up to two years training by American military advisors at a camp 4 miles outside the Chadian capital N'Djamena.

Some were engaged in military activities against Libya in the disputed Aozou Strip border area between the two countries, dilpomatic sources said.

Gadhafi accused the U.S. of ''piracy'' when the Libyans were flown first to Nigeria after the fall of Habre.

Libya offered the Zairean president regular oil supplies Wednesday. The supplies, which would significantly ease the country's fuel shortage caused by a lack of foreign exchange, would not have to be paid for until 1992, Zairean government sources said.

Mobutu then agreed to the Libyan request for the rebels to be given refugee status in Zaire.

It is not clear whether Zaire intend to allow Libyan officials access to the soldiers. The International Committee of the Red Cross is to coordinate Saturday's arrival of the soldiers.

Nor is it known whether the rebels will be flown aboard the same U.S. military aircraft that took them out of Chad last week to an unkown destination.

The U.S. government has said it no longer has any use for the soldiers, though it is not known if they would have remained under American military instruction in Chad if the Habre regime had survived.

Up to 400 other Libyans, who were captured by Chad during the war between the two countries, were returned to Libya by the new Chadian authorities as an ''act of thanks'' for Libyan support during the civil war that began Nov. 10.

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#90348u0920 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - The government offered further evidence Friday of a stalled economy when it reported that industrial production last month fell to a nearly nine-year low while producer prices and inventory levels rose.

The battery of economic indicators led several economists to conclude that the economy is mired in recession.

''I think we're past the point of quibbling about whether we're in a recession or not. The question now is how far,'' said Peter Radford, chief economist at National Westminster Bank in New York.

Several economists said the most damaging indicator, and the one that could spur the Federal Reserve to ease its Federal funds rate, was the Fed's report that industrial production tumbled 1.7 percent in November.

The production cut was viewed by economists as a precautionary step taken by manufacturers to protect against weak sales. The Commerce Department reported Thursday that retail sales slipped 0.1 percent last month.

Last month's production decline followed a revised 0.9 percent drop in October and was the greatest monthly decline since January, 1982 - when the economy was in recession.

''All notions that the economy might skirt a recession are dashed by the plunge in industrial production and capacity utilization during November,'' said William MacReynolds, director of forecasting for the U. S. Chamber of Commerce.

''Clearly, the economy rapidly is falling to a degree not anticipated by most analysts just two short months ago,'' MacReynolds said.

The Fed attributed the monthly decline to a 20 percent reduction in automobile assemblies during November. This decline, which was coupled with sharp drops in output for auto parts and materials, accounted for more than half of the overall production reduction.

The Fed said other types of industrial output slid ''noticeably'' for the third consecutive month and total industrial capacity utilization dropped 1.5 percentage points to 80.9 percent.

''Industrial production has fallen like a rock although demand hasn't faded,'' said Robert Dederick, chief economist at the Northern Trust Co. , in Chicago. ''This is clear evidence of a pullback. It is clearly indicative of an on-going recession.''

Dederick attributed some of the production slowdown to ''a degree of precautionary cutting'' in the business sector to protect itself against weak sales.

The Commerce Department said business sales rose 0.9 percent in October while inventories rose 0.4 percent from the previous month. The value of sales and manufacturing shipments in October was an estimated $551.9 billion, up 0.9 percent from September and 4.9 percent above year-ago levels.

Sales of durable goods, those big-ticket items designed to last three years or more, increased 1.8 percent from year-ago levels.

Manufacturers' inventories were estimated at $813.9 billion in October, up 2.5 percent from year-earlier levels. Inventories stood at $810.8 billion in September and $807.4 billion in August.

Inventories of durable goods totaled $495.1 billion, up 1.4 percent from year-ago levels. Non-durable inventories stood at $318.7 billion, up 4.3 percent from the year before.

Prices at the producer level, an indication of inflation further down the economic pipeline, rose 0.5 percent in November.

Although the increase was higher than most economists expected, it was the first time in the three months since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait that prices rose less than 1 percent.

The slowdown was more apparent in the department's index for intermediate goods, which rose a modest 0.1 percent in November after gaining 1.5 percent the month before.

Prices for crude materials dropped 6.2 percent last month after rising 8.7 percent in October.

The index for energy goods continued to rise but at a much slower pace after three months of steep price hikes. Consumer food prices rose 0.8 percent, keeping pace with October's increase.

The index for other finished goods, excluding the often volatile food and energy categories, increased 0.5 percent in November after showing no change in October and increasing 0.6 percent in September.

After climbing steadily for the three previous months, the index for finished energy goods inched up only 0.1 percent in November.

Prices for gasoline and home heating oil dropped 2.6 percent and 7.3 percent, respectively, during the months after jumping 8 percent and 15 percent in October. Prices for natural gas rose 5 percent after posting a slight decline the month before.

The index for intermediate materials and supplies dged up only 0.1 percent after gaining about 1.5 percent in each of the past three months. Energy prices dropped slightly while prices for food, feed and construction materials also declined.

''Those numbers indicate there should be relative stability in the months ahead in inflation at the producer level absent the uncertainty in the (Persian) gulf,'' said Ron Schreibman, vice president of the National Association of Wholesalers-Distributors.

For the 12 months ended in November, the index for finished goods prices rose 7 percent. During the same period, consumer food prices advanced 4.2 percent while energy prices, boosted after Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, soared 38.4 percent.

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#90348u0922 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

ATHENS, GREECE (DEC. 14) UPI - Police used batons and tear gas Friday to disperse students who became violent during demonstrations against legislation to curb absenteeism in schools.

University and high school students assembled for a massive protest march Friday and some tried to enter the Education Ministry in the city center to present their demands to the authorities.

The students broke through a police cordon and smashed an iron railing at the entrance. Police used batons and tear gas to disperse them. There was no immediate word on casualties.

After the clash, the students reassembled in nearby Constitution Square in

front of the Vouli, or Parliament, and marched toward the Athens Polytechnic building about a mile away.

Police at first prevented them from getting into the building and sealed off the entrance but later withdrew and a large number of students entered and said they planned to stage a sit-in to press their demands.

The students were protesting a bill in Parliament that would curn absenteeism by introducing a point system that would contribute toward their grades.

They also demanded better school buildings and the right to participate in decisions that affect them.

The authorities earlier rejected their demands. For three weeks small groups of students have occupied school buildings in several parts of the country.

Education Minister Vassilis Kontoyannopoulos blamed extremist elements for Friday's violence. He said students had ''up till now demonstrated responsibility.''

The minister said the ''main aim of these elements is to hinder dialogue between the ministry and all the members and organizations of the educational community.''

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#90348u0932 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

MOGADISHU, SOMALIA (DEC. 14) UPI - The pattern is chillingly familiar in Africa.

It happened in Liberia in June. It happened a few weeks ago in Chad. Now the alarm has gone off in Somalia, and Mogadishu is suffering a breakdown in economy, law, and social order.

Thousands of Somalis either have fled or are trying to flee the hot, dusty Indian Ocean capital city, where the government of President Siad Barre has lost control. Undisciplined special policemen roam the streets armed to the teeth, while outside the city, rebels awaiting collapse are ready to pounce to seize power.

Plans for round-table talks between government and rebel groups, some who have fought Barre since 1981, fell apart last week, and rebel commander Col. Farax Ali Warsame disclosed his force - the United Somali Congress - planned military action in the capital in the near future.

The USC, which operates in the vicinity of Mogadishu, has had enough, the colonel said, speaking from the safety of a posse of bodyguards, armed with machine guns and missile launchers.

''It was previously a hit-and-run war. But now we are consolidating some cities like Gialalassi, like Bulo Burti,'' he said, 100 miles and 130 miles north of Mogadishu.

''Now we are going to start in Mogadishu also,'' he said, claiming he had infiltrated weapons and guerrilla fighters into the city already.

Local residents are standing in endless lines for visas from foreign embassies. Flights out of town are fully booked until the end of the year.

Gunfire echoes across the city 24 hours a day. Bandits hold up cars at gunpoint. Last Monday, for reasons still not clear, a police officer fired into a crowd at Mogadishu airport, killing at least two people. Shots have been fired outside the American School. Each dawn finds fresh corpses in the street.

Unknown gunmen last week shot and killed the general director of African affairs at the Somali Foreign Ministry, former Ambassador to Egypt Hussein Hassan.

Rumors spread fast in Mogadishu. Among them are reports that the Somali air force has killed thousands in a bombing raid on the town of Belet Huen, 190 miles north of the city, an active base for the USC.

Opposition sources are distributing letters purporting to show bank instructions to pay southern African mercenaries $600,000 to fly ''Hunter bombers'' against the rebels.

The country's proposed peace talks have died. Opposition groups withdrew from the conference, supposed to happen this week in Cairo, after Barre declared a state of emergency 10 days ago and arrested opposition figures.

''We have the feeling that this government is not serious, that this regime is not serious at all,'' said Mohamed Nur, a leader of one group, calling itself Manifesto One. ''This is simply an international ploy to confuse the donors.''

But with most of the U.N.'s staff evacuated from Mogadishu this week, there are not too many donors left in cash-starved Somalia.

The United States has moved all but about 40 of its embassy-related staff from the capital. Emergency escape plans have been laid by most other embassies and non-governmental agencies. Italy, the former colonial power, has about 600 nationals in Somalia. Other embassies are understood to be relying on French help from the naval base at Djibouti to the north.

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#90348u0933 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

VAL GARDENA, Italy (DEC. 14) UPI - Switzerland's Franz Heinzer, showing he is the man to beat this season, won a World Cup downhill Friday to move to first place in the overall standings.

Heinzer was timed in 2 minutes, 0.21 seconds time, .36 seconds ahead of Bernie Huber of Germany. Atle Skaardal of Norway was third at 2:00. 64.

Heinzer now has 65 points in the overall standings, with Italy's Alberto Tomba second at 47.

''I had the feeling that I could do well today,'' Heinzer said. ''I knew I was the favorite but I was very nervous. I knew the piste could speed up a lot as the race went on, and this is the reason that the win means a lot to me.''

Huber scored his best World Cup result.

''No one was more surprised than me,'' he said. ''Things had not gone so well in training, but I believe it was an exercise in positive thinking.''

Skaardal, recovering from an ankle injury, led a strong Norwegian showing. Teammate Lasse Arnesen finished fourth.

''I can't help but be satisfied with my third place especially after my fall last weekend,'' Skaardal said. ''The course was great and I just hope the conditions are the same for tomorrow and I can have another good race.''

Absent from the top 10 were the Austrians, whose best finish came from Patrick Ortlieb at No. 12.

Helmut Hoeflehner, Austria's World Cup downhill champion, finished 23rd. After the race he learned his father died of cancer. He will skip Saturday's downhill to return home.

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#90348u0950 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

BUCHAREST, ROMANIA (DEC. 14) UPI - The Romanian army refused Friday to reveal which of its members fought for and against last year's revolution, claiming a year is not enough time to find all the answers.

''We need to analyze. We need time,'' Gen. Constantin Codrescu, chief of research, told a news conference called to explain the army's role in the revolution that began Dec. 16, 1990.

''We need to get rid of the emotional state of mind,'' he said. ''There are still question marks.''

Tension has mounted with the approach of the anniversary, in which hundreds and perhaps thousands died in the only regional bloodshed as one communist regime after another toppled in Eastern Europe in late 1989.

The army fought for a week alongside opponents of Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu to overthrow four decades of communist dictatorship Dec. 22. The hated Ceausescu and his wife, Elena, were executed Christmas Day.

Codrescu said authorities still have not identified the counter-revolutionaries - widely described during the revolution as ''terrorists'' - who fought the protesters.

Some believe they were foreign agents. In any case, it is unclear why they refrained from attacking the revolutionary leaders - such as current President Ion Iliescu, Prime Minister Petre Roman and the embryo National Salvation Front - unless some agreement had been reached between the two sides.

Codrescu did not respond satisfactorily to some questions about the revolution but did not deny he knew some of the answers.

''You know how hard it is to write history,'' he said. ''You have in front of you people who have lived through those events. We have felt, we have lived them, and now as we approach a year on, we're reliving them again.''

He said the army had no plan of action until the night of Dec. 22 when it formed a ''strategy in a situation of warfare.''

Cordrescu also indicated a change in position of the army, which emphasized last January it would never turn against the people. He said the army could be involved in preventing social disorder within the country in its role as defender of the constitution.

A small group of demonstrators has gathered every day this week in downtown Bucharest demanding the resignation of Iliuescu. They hold up a huge portrait of Ceausescu that has printed across the top, ''Iliescu's daddy.''

Cordrescu admitted that arms and uniforms handed out to the people during the revolution have not all been rounded up and could be used in future conflicts.

Queried about reports of a large influx of Soviets and Hungarians into Romania Codrescu said border guards report the situation ''normal'' but he declined to give figures.

The establishment daily Adevarul (The Truth) reported more than 16,000 Soviet citizens and 12,000 Hungarians have crossed the border since December.

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PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI (DEC. 14) UPI - International observers bound for Haiti said they were highly confident this weekend's elections would run smoothly.

''I think this election will be different from the past,'' Aldy Castor, a member of the observer delegation from the National Republican Institute for International Affairs, said Thursday before heading to Haiti.

On Sunday, more than 3 million registered voters will go to the polls to elect a new president, congress and hundreds of local officials.

It will be Haiti's third federal election in four years, the last two marred by successive coups, repression and violence.

''This is like a second revolution for Haiti,'' said an observer from the U.S. National Workers Union who asked not to be identified. ''There is a lot of hope and a lot of faith.''

About 700 international observers, including former President Jimmy Carter, are scheduled to watch the electoral process.

''I think the election just might run smoothly,'' the observer said. ''Our presence and the presence of an important figure like Jimmy Carter will make a difference.''

But Castor said that despite everyone's apparent good intentions, the country's para-military Tonton Macoutes continue to exercise a lot of power.

The Tonton Macoutes, a group of thugs loyal to former dictator Jean- Claude ''Baby Doc'' Duvalier, have been blamed for most of the atrocities in Haiti in the past few decades.

They have also been linked to interim President Ertha Pascal- Trouillot, a supreme court judge who has led the country since March.

Pascal-Trouillot was a high-level official in Duvalier's government and is seen by many Haitians as a puppet of the former dictatorship.

''President Pascal-Trouillot is a Duvalierist,'' Castor said. ''She was in his government ... and she even dedicated her college thesis to Duvalier.

The Tonton Macoutes have been blamed for last week's attempted assassination of leading presidential candidate Jean-Bertrand Aristide. Seven people died in the grenade attack at a rural campaign stop and 53 were wounded.

Aristide, 37, a former priest who was expelled from the Roman Catholic Salesian order in 1988 for pursuing populist political activities, has drawn huge support from rural voters.

''Aritide is the first candidate in a long time to address the interests of peasants and farm people,'' Castor said. ''Some 80 percent of the population is rural.''

Aristide has espoused a populist program in his campaign against the No. 2 man in the race, Marc Bazin, a former World Bank economist.

''Aristide has the support of the people,'' the union observer said. ''He came in late in the campaign and he is the most popular candidate.''

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ST. PAUL, MINN. (DEC. 14) UPI - Polar adventurer Ann Bancroft announced Friday she and four companions will try to become the first women to traverse Antarctica and top their male counterparts by making the 1,700- mile trek without dogsleds or motorized vehicles.

If successful, Bancroft also would become the first woman to reach both the North and South poles on foot.

Bancroft, 35, of St. Paul said the four-month expedition will start in October 1991. Joining her will be veteran mountain climbers Sue Giller, 43, Boulder, Colo.; Kellie Erwin-Rhoads, 33, Pocatello, Idaho; Lucy Smith, 39, Lander, Wyo.; and a fifth woman to be confirmed by the end of the year.

''I couldn't have made this trip six years ago,'' said Bancroft, who journeyed to the North Pole in 1986 with fellow Minnesotan Will Steger, who completed a trans-Antarctica trek by dogsled in March. ''But now I have experience in handling extreme conditions and I feel up to the challenge of tackling the world's last frontier.''

The Bancroft team members have started training.

''The training isn't so much physical. It's more group dynamics, shaking down the system so everybody knows what their job is and it becomes just like clockwork,'' she said.

Aside from the physical challenges of the expedition, Bancroft said the mission has messages.

''We want to encourage people everywhere, especially women, to take on new challenges, regardless of their age or condition,'' she said. ''I hope we'll demonstrate that people can do whatever they set their minds to.

''Women continue to be under-represented in many segments of society. Women make up only a handful of the top executives in the country, fewer and fewer

motion pictures have strong female roles, and while the pay gap between men and women is slowly decreasing, the gap remains.

''Without strong role models to show them otherwise, it's tempting for people, especially women and young people, to believe they can't change the status quo.''

Like Steger's international team, the Bancroft team has an environmental bent.

''We also believe it's important to call attention to the fragil environment of Antarctica,'' she said. ''The depleting ozone layer is just one example of the many challenges now facing the continent that contains 70 percent of the world's fresh-water supply.

The women hope to travel 15 to 20 miles a day across terrain previously tackled only with a snow tractor by British adventurer Vivian Fuchs and his team in 1957-58. The women will travel by ski, pulling 200-pound sleds loaded with food and supplies. At least part of the way, they will be aided by use of parachute-like sails that will help propel them along the ice. Extra provisions will be dropped at three locations along the route.

Efforts are under way to raise the $2 million the expedition is expected to cost.

Temperatures will range to minus 50 degrees Fahrenheit and winds of up to 100 miles per hour can be expected. The route also is criss- crossed with deep crevasses.

The women also are expected to serve as guinea pigs for a medical research effort that will try to fill in gaps in existing physiological and psychological research on women under extreme conditions. Dr. Pat Walker of St. Paul will work with the team members before, during and after the expedition to monitor physiological changes occurring in the Antarctic environment, including hormonal, lipid and menstrual cycle changes, variations in immune functioning and changes attributed to chronobiologic (biorhythm) effects. The effects of large doses of ultraviolet radiation from the ozone hole above Antarctica also will be observed.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest earnings, vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Admar Group Inc (3rd Q 10-31)	
$2,592,000	$2,455,000

a-$47,000 a-$27,000
a-No per share figures reported.

Calstar Inc (2nd Q 10-31)
$4,535,651 $5,122,347
$20,811 .01) d-$186,132
d-Deficit.

Diagnostic Medical (4th Q 9-30)
$1,307,228 $974,213
a-$16,613 d-$784,547
a-No per share figure reported.
d-Deficit.

Geac Computer (2nd Q 10-31)
$18,365,000 $18,161,000
$772,000 (.04) $1,512,000 (.07)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Lakeland Industies (3rd Q 10-31)
$11,017,447 $9,135,499
$191,487 (.08) d-$58,604
d-Deficit.

Norex America (1st Q 9-30)
$12,654,000 $5,547,000
$1,574,000 (.27) $717,000 (.16)

Time Management (3rd Q 9-30)
$384,058 $275,515
d-$47,939 d-$462,908
d-Deficit.

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KHARTOUM, SUDAN (DEC. 14) UPI - Two graves containing the bodies of up to 100 Sudanese nationals have been found in neighboring Chad after the collapse of Chad's government, a Sudan official said Friday.

According to the official Sudan News Agency, quoting a source at the general command headquarters of the Sudanese army, two mass graves of some 90 to 100 Sudanese nationals were discovered west of Giguirta in Chad.

Giguirta lies near the desert frontier of the two countries, across which Libyan-backed rebels invaded Chad early this month, forcing President Hissene Habre to flee to Cameroon and installing their leader Idriss Deby in the capital N'Djamena.

The SUNA report gave no date for the graves' discovery. There was no independent confirmation.

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MIAMI (DEC. 14) UPI - A Justice Department delegation has been sent overseas to try to convince foreign governments to unfreeze the assets of deposed Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega so he can defend himself against U.S. drug charges, a judge said Friday.

U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler also said Noriega's drug and racketeering trial would be postponed from Jan. 28 until at least June. No new trial date was set.

Following a closed hearing involving classified information, Hoeveler said a high-level delegation had been sent to Switzerland and Austria to see if either government would be willing to unfreeze some of Noriega's assets. His attorneys in the past have said there is at least $20 million available in overseas accounts that could be used for his defense.

The accounts were frozen at the Justice Department's request after federal officials insisted that they contained Noriega's profits from drug-trafficking activities.

Hoeveler had ordered the government to help Noriega get access to some of his money. After Friday's hearing he said he was satisfied the Justice Department was making an effort to do that.

''We have reported to the court regarding the government's effort to get the funds,'' said Diane Cossin, a spokeswoman for the U.S. Attorney's Office in Miami. ''We are complying with the court's order.

He said he would keep Noriega's attorneys on the case and would consider putting them on public defender status, under which they could be paid up to $75 an hour, pending the outcome of the delegation's trip to Europe. They have said they normally would be paid up to $250 an hour in a case of this magnitude.

Lead defense attorney Frank Rubino said his team hasn't received any money since taking the general's case nearly a year ago, so they haven't had the funds to do an investigation. They estimated it would take about six months for them to prepare for trial, if Noriega's foreign assets are released.

A 1988 Miami federal indictment against Noriega charges him with turning Panama into a drug-trafficking and money-laundering sanctuary for South American drug smugglers doing business in the United States. Fifteen other

defendants were named in the indictment.

A simultaneous indictment in Tampa accuses Noriega of conspiring with a smuggler to import into the United States more than a million pounds of marijuana.

Noriega surrendered in the Dec. 20 U.S. invasion of Panama and was brought to Miami to stand trial. If convicted in the Miami indictment, he would face a maximum penalty of 145 years in prison and a $1.1 million fine.

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RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL (DEC. 14) UPI - Two prosecution witnesses testified Friday a wealthy rancher and his son plotted to kill ecologist and labor leader Francisco ''Chico'' Mendes Filho for his work in trying to save the Amazon rain forest.

And in another sector of Brazil, gunmen killed another labor leader in the same fashion as the 1988 shotgun slaying of Mendes Filho.

Police said two men with shotguns Thursday killed Jose Helio da Silva, a labor leader representing rural workers near the Northeastern city of Recife. The union treasurer, Jose Cicero, was wounded in an assault modeled after the Mendes Filho slaying, police said.

Police Commissary Florenildo Monte showed newsmen Friday a note that da Silva received last week saying, ''Chico Mendes is sleeping because he talked too much. If you don't shut up, you will be sorry.''

Monte said police have not found the assailants.

In testimony Friday at the Mendes Filho murder trial in the Amazon town of Xapuri, 1,845 miles northwest of Rio de Janeiro, prosecution witness Raymundo Figueiredo, 62, told the court that codefendant Darly Alves da Silva, 56, a rich rancher, told him he was going to ''kill'' the ecologist because ''he was putting obstacles in the way of business. ''

Mendes Filho, chief of a rubber-tappers union, won a United Nationsl Global 500 award in 1987 for trying to curb the burning of the rainforest by ranchers. His efforts outraged ranchers, who accused him of interfering in their business opportunities.

Another prosecution witness, Genesio Ferreira da Silva, 15, testified that while living in the house of the Alves family he overheard Darly Alves da Silva and his son, Darci, 26, plot the killing of Chico Mendes.

''I heard everything,'' he told the court.

Darci confessed to the crime when the trial opened Wednesday and said his father is inncent.

Prosecutors say Darci confessed simply to cover up for his father.

The Recife killing is apparently unrelated to the death of Chico Mendes other than that both victims were labor leaders and both were killed by shotguns.

Officials say 415 rural labor organizers have been killed in the past two years in Brazil. Police believe it is retaliation by landlords fearing their land will be taken over, as demanded by peasant leagues.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said Friday the hostage release suggests Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is getting the message the world opposes his invasion of Kuwait.

But, Cheney told the House Armed Services Committee, ''There is no indication that Saddam Hussein is open to a peaceful resolution of the problem he has created.'' All Saddam's actions, he said, ''suggest that he does not yet realize that he cannot prevail.''

Cheney and Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Colin Powell reiterated their belief that economic sanctions alone are not enough to guarantee that Iraq will withdraw from Kuwait. And they said no decision has been made to go to war.

Questioned about the release of the hostages by Saddam, Cheney said, ''It's beginning to dawn on him perhaps that the world, the United Nations, is serious.''

And Cheney said that if the meeting between Secretary of State James Baker and Saddam comes off, Baker's purpose would be to make clear to Saddam that there is widespread international opposition to his actions, something Saddam's closest advisors may be afraid to tell him in fear they may be punished for telling the truth.

''He's going to restate directly to Saddam Hussein the fact that we're deadly serious about seeing those U.N. resolutions implemented. One of our concerns, frankly, has been that (Saddam) ... doesn't have anyone around him who will tell him the truth, and there's a lot of evidence that telling the truth to Saddam Hussein is dangerous for your career and your health. ... We think it's important to make certain that we have a clear, unmistakable signal, a clear channel if you will, from our government to his government so that he knows exactly'' what the consequences are.

Powell would not spell out specific U.S. battle plans but said an air war alone against Iraqi targets both in Kuwait and Iraq would not be sufficient. Nor would he or Cheney say how long a war might take and how many casualties they might expect.

Cheney also said there should be some international effort to deny Saddam the technology for nuclear, chemical and biological war once he withdraws from Kuwait or is forced out.

And Powell said the addition of another 200,000 troops, who are due to be in place by mid-January when the United Nations has declared that force may be used, does not put the United States in a ''use it or lose it'' situation.

He also said that weather is not a deciding factor in resolving the question of whether force should be used. He noted that heat, sandstorms, clouds and dust affect all forces, not just U.S. forces.

On another matter, Powell assured members that servicemen in Saudi Arabia were free to wear U.S. flag patches on their uniform, calling one unit's prohibition based on concern for Saudi sensibilities ''a small, internal administrative glitch which has been totally absolved.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - The last group of American and Canadian hostages from Kuwait and Iraq - including the U.S. ambassador in Kuwait City - headed home Friday to a hero's welcome.

After 132 days in enforced residence in Kuwait and Iraq, the former hostages left Baghdad Thursday, spent the night in Frankfurt, Germany, and then flew to the United States, where they were scheduled to arrive at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., near Washington at 4 p.m. EST.

The chartered plane, according to the State Department task force, carried 48 former hostages, 10 of them Canadians.

The flight from Baghdad Thursday carried 96 people to Frankfurt, but about half of them were foreign nationals who chose to remain in Europe.

Included in the group headed for the United States is Ambassador Nathaniel Howell, who kept the embassy in Kuwait City open despite a blockade around the compound for the last three months.

Howell said in Frankfurt that the American flag was flying as he left the embassy, but there were no diplomats left behind to staff the mission. Officially, the mission remains open, but there won't be any caretakers left inside. The State Department said it will hold the Iraqi government

responsible for the protection of the diplomatic compound.

All documents were destroyed before Howell and four other American diplomats pulled out.

The final flight means that about 2,550 Americans were airlifted out of Iraq aboard 15 chartered flights since early August. No more flights are planned, even if some of the remaining U.S. citizens should choose to leave Iraq or Kuwait, since regular commercial flights are now available to Amman.

Those flights are permitted under the United Nations economic embargo because they are defined as humanitarian in nature.

Another approximately 800 Americans made it out of Kuwait and Iraq on their own, sometimes on perilous journeys through uncharted desert country.

Those approximately 500 U.S. citizens remaining behind are mainly the spouses of U.S. citizens. In some cases, the head of the household has dual Iraqi-U.S. nationality and, as an Iraqi citizen, would require an exit visa, which the Iraqi government refuses to issue.

Others are minor children, staying behind with their parents who have chosen to remain in Iraq.

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PANAMA CITY, PANAMA (DEC. 14) UPI - A U.S. tuna boat exploded and sank in the Panama Canal zone Friday, killing four people, including two Americans, officials said.

The boat, loaded with 1,053 tons of frozen tuna, exploded at about 1:40 a.m. and sunk at about 6:30 a.m. in the port of Balboa near the Pacific entrance to the Panama Canal, one mile north of Panama City, said Jaime Beitia of the National Port Authority.

Firefighters from Balboa and the Panama Canal Commission evacuated the area and extinguished the fire. Divers recovered the bodies of two U.S. crew members, one Korean crewmember and the body of a Panamanian nightwatchman. The remaining 17 crew members were unharmed, Beitia said.

The dead were identified as Ricahrd Balelo, 51, and Leonel Correia, 37, both of the United States; Chung Suk Kwuon, 47, of South Korea; and Felipe Romero of Panama.

Beitia said a fire that caused the explosion probably started in the machine room of the boat and said one of the crewmen may have been soldering. He said the boat also contained an unknown quantity of ammonia, which may have

contributed to the fire.

The boat, called the ''Odette Therese,'' was docked in Balboa for net repair and was scheduled to depart on Tuesday, according to the Panama Canal Commission.

Beitia said transit through the Panama Canal was not affected by the accident.

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BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (DEC. 14) UPI - An ethnic Albanian opposition leader Friday blasted the opening round results of Serbia's first postwar multi-party elections because of a near-total boycott in Kosovo by voters of the province's ethnic Albanian majority.

''The Democratic Union of Kosovo cannot recognize the legitimacy of elections in Serbia because Albanians did not take part,'' said Fehmi Agani.

''I hope that the democratic public in Yugoslavia and the world will not accept the legitimacy of the elections in which only 15 percent of the province's population took part, while the ethnic Albanians did not, '' Agani told a news conference in the Kosovo capital of Pristina, 200 miles south of Belgrade.

The boycott of the Dec. 9 polls was called by ethnic Albanian leaders to protest the elimination of virtually all of the province's autonomy through a new Serbian Constitution enacted in September by the communist government of President Slobodan Milosevic.

Milosevic won re-election with more than 65 percent of the approximately 5 million votes cast. His Socialist Party of Serbia, the name adopted by the ruling communists in July, captured 87 seats in the 250-member Serbian Assembly.

Nine seats went to opposition groups. The remainder will be decided Dec. 23 in runoffs required because no candidates won more than 50 percent of the first-round votes.

In Kosovo, where there are 1.7 million ethnic Albanians compared to 200,000 Serbs, Serbian communists took five assembly seats. The rest of the province's 29 seats are to be decided in the second round and because of the ethnic Albanian boycott, most will almost certainly go to Serbian communists and the rest to Serbian nationalists.

Agani said his organization does not regret the boycott, saying that ethnic Albanians ''cannot be satisfied with crumbs from a table nor with charity. They demand to be equal.''

He said that the re-election of Milosevic, who sought the backing of Yugoslavia's 8.5 million Serbs by pursuing a strong nationalist policy over the past three years, was the result of ''voters' fears of changes'' and a disorganized opposition.

Kosovo has long been a source of conflict between Serbs and ethnic Albanians, who have been demanding self-rule within Yugoslavia. Serbs cherish Kosovo as the ''cradle'' of their culture and Orthodox religion, and charge that ethnic Albanian calls for self-rule are a pretext for secession and merger with Albania.

More than 35 ethnic Albanians have died this year in confrontations with Serbian police.

In July, Serbia dissolved Kosovo's provincial administration and close Albanian-language media after ethnic Albanian lawmakers declared independence from Serbia. Human rights groups have alleged serious violations by Serbian police against ethnic Albanians.

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ROME (DEC. 14) UPI - European Community leaders agreed Friday to send emergency food aid to the Soviet Union to prevent winter famine and to show their support for the policies of President Mikhail Gorbachev. The exact amount, which could total $1 billion in grants and credits, was still being debated.

The accord to send food aid came on the first day of a two-day summit that will launch historic steps toward a common currency and a joint foreign policy in the 12-nation EC.

"All without exception agreed to give immediate aid to the Soviet Union," said a spokesman for Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, who holds the rotating EC presidency.

EC leaders were also debating whether to approve, in addition to the food aid, up to $1.4 billion in technical assistance to the Soviets for 1991 and 1992, including funds to improve food distribution.

The EC executive agency proposed $1 billion in Soviet food aid, about one-third of it in outright grants and the other two-thirds in credits. Several countries argued, however, that credits would only add to the Soviet Union's staggering debt. Britain prefers EC technical assistance "so we solve the problems once and for all instead of just this year," said a British government source.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany, whose country has already provided food aid to the Soviets, spoke first on the need to send EC food assistance. "If Gorbachev fails it's going to cost us even more in the long run so we ought to do something today," said Kohl, according to officials.

French President Francois Mitterrand said the EC should go beyond food aid, to include technical assistance and balance-of-payment help, because "the whole situation in the Soviet Union should be seen as an emergency."

The EC leaders discussed the Soviet Union's troubled food distribution system, saying it was especially important for food to reach Moscow and Leningrad.

Soviet assistance dominated the first day of discussions. The Persian Gulf crisis, South Africa, and the stalled world trade talks were on the agenda for Friday night's dinner.

The summit concludes Saturday with inauguration of two landmark constitutional conventions, on economic and monetary union and on political union.

The "intergovernmental conferences," as they are known, are slated to end next year with changes to the EC's founding charter, the 1957 Treaty of Rome, eventually leading to a single currency and a common security policy.

A draft proposal on currency union, circulated Friday, calls for key decisions to be taken by "qualified" or weighted majority, including at least eight EC countries, rather than by unanimity.

The new British prime minister, John Major, stressed that Britain is prepared to play a positive role in EC affairs. His predecessor, Margaret Thatcher, fell from power last month over her strident opposition to EC integration.

"I don't think anyone in the Community wants a confrontation," said Major. "We have to engage in the discussions in a constructive spirit and so must our Community partners."

Although Major shares Thatcher's opposition to a single currency and some other EC policies, the new prime minister's tone at his first EC summit was far more accomodating. "He said there is a real desire in Britain for having the Community succeed, especially among the young people," said the Italian spokesman.

Major and several other leaders said it was important for the EC summit to send a strong statement on the troubled world trade talks. Negotiations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade collapsed in Brussels last week over a dispute between the EC and the United States and other farm exporting countries over the Community's huge agriculture subsidies.

Major, according to British sources, said "the EC must not be too

inward-looking, it must be outward-looking," whether dealing with the gulf crisis, the Soviet Union or the GATT talks.

"There is a general feeling that the Community did have flexibility on agriculture, but might not have used that flexibility to its full effect," the sources said.

The EC agriculture commissioner, Ray MacSharry, met in Brussels on Friday with U.S. Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter. Both reported a new sense of optimism but no dramatic breakthrough. The GATT talks will resume next month in Geneva, provided there signs progress is probable.

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(DEC. 15) UPI - Those who perceive the Saturday showdown between 11-2 teams as a character test for the AFC do not include the New York Giants, hosts to the Buffalo Bills.

''They have the best offense we'll face this year,'' Giants defensive coordinator Bill Belichick said.

Giants cornerback Mark Collins, who in the past two games has shut down star receivers Jerry Rice of San Francisco and Anthony Carter of Minnesota, sees no letup covering Buffalo's Andre Reed. Reed has an AFC- leading 63 catches for 834 yards and six touchdowns.

''I've been studying on him since the season started because I never played Buffalo,'' Collins said. ''One week Jerry Rice, one week Anthony Carter, one week Andre Reed, they're anywhere from 1 to 3 any week.''

New York linebacker Carl Banks was asked if the Bills' record is as meaningful as the Giants'.

''They have just as good a team as any in the NFC so I think they would have just as good a record,'' he said. ''They seem to be very in synch.''

Unlike last year, when the Bills were anything but harmonious and left the playoffs after one round. These Bills are gearing for a longer playoff season - much longer.

''When we (the AFC) have sent teams before (to the Super Bowl),'' I don't think we've been balanced all the way around,'' said Buffalo defensive end Bruce Smith, who needs three sacks to match the NFL record of 22 in a season. ''The Buffalo Bills have offense, defense and special ''ffalo

The Bills have yet to clinch the AFC East. They lead Miami by only one game and play the Dolphins next week in Buffalo.

''We rank with anybody in the NFL,'' Smith said. ''Instead of looking past an opponent, we take them very seriously. It's very important to stay focused on the job at hand.''

The Giants have clinched the NFC East but have no interest in losing the spark they regained last week against Minnesota after losing two straight.

''This time of year, it's on,'' Parcells said. ''It stays on. I don't have to say much.''

In another Saturday game, the Washington Redskins visit the New England Patriots. The Redskins can clinch a wild-card spot by beating a team that has lost 11 straight and holds the NFL's worst record, 1-12.

However, the Redskins need look back only one season when they lost to the league's laughingstock, the Dallas Cowboys, who finished 1-15.

''I think we've got to go in there with the feeling they're going to play their absolute best,'' Redskins Coach Joe Gibbs said. ''And we would be absolutely stupid - with everything we've got riding on this - to take it any other way.''

Over the past four weeks, the Patriots have averaged six points a game. They are the league's lowest-scoring team, and at their season average of less than 12 points a game, they would have to play 19 more games to equal NFL leader Buffalo's 373-point output.

Patriots rookie quarterback Tommy Hodson has a fractured ring finger on his throwing hand. If he does not start, Marc Wilson will replace him, despite a 1-9 record in 10 career starts for New England.

Sunday, it's Indianapolis at the New York Jets, Seattle at Miami, Minnesota at Tampa Bay, Atlanta at Cleveland, Pittsburgh at New Orleans, Phoenix at Dallas, Houston at Kansas City, Green Bay at Philadelphia, San Diego at Denver and Cincinnati at the Los Angeles Raiders.

Monday night, San Francisco plays the Rams at Los Angeles.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - Federal investigators said today that the brakes may have failed on a speeding Amtrak train moments before it derailed and slammed into a packed commuter train in Boston... injuring more than 260 people. Susan Coughlin of the National Transportation Safety Board says rookie engineer Richard Abramson was at the controls of Amtrak's ''Night Owl'' train and tried three times to slow it down, but couldn't. The train was speeding more than 90

miles an hour and derailed on a curve.

In Tokyo, the Japanese government reportedly will increase its share of the payment of costs of maintaining U-S military bases in Japan. A Japanese newspaper says the government will raise its payment from the current 40 percent to about 50 percent. The paper also says the government has agreed to pay the bases' gas, water and electricity bills and the salaries of all Japanese employees working at the bases. U-S and Japanese officials would not confirm the report.

Effects from declining automobile sales are showing up in yet another government statistic. This time industrial production. The Federal Reserve reported a one-point-seven percent drop in the figure last month, the largest monthly decline since January of 1982 and the last recession. And much of the November decline came from a 20 percent drop in activity at the nation's auto factories. Declining auto sales were also blamed yesterday for most of the one-tenth of one percent decline in November retail sales figures.

Inflation continued last month at the producer level but at a slower rate than reported in earlier months. The Labor Department reports wholesale inflation up one-half of one percent last month as expansion of the energy goods index slowed. It jumped right after Iraq invaded Kuwait and pushed wholesale inflation up by over one percent for each month up to November.

Arson is one possible cause that investigators in Revere, Massachusetts, say are following up on after four major fires ripped through the Boston suburb. There are reports of three men seen in a white automobile at all four locations. Equipment from 20 communities eventually helped bring the fires under control. One ripped through a group of homes, forcing more than 100 people to flee.

Virginia executed a killer last night. Buddy Earl Justus was put to death in the state's electric chair in Richmond for the 1978 rape and murder of a pregnant nurse. The 38-year-old Justus was believed to be the only man under a death sentence in three states... also for the murders of a saleswoman in Florida and a housewife in Georgia. Justus suspended his final appeals and said in an interview hours earlier that he ''was ready to go to a better place.''

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BUDAPEST, Hungary (DEC. 14) UPI - Prime Minister Jozsef Antall reshuffled his coalition government Friday just one day before he is to face growing dissent at his party's congress.

Antall told a news conference that he replaced Interior Minister Balazs Horvath with Dr. Peter Boros, a minister without portfolio who has been in

charge of overseeing the Offices for State Security and Information.

Horvath has been heavily criticized since October when, while acting as the prime minister's deputy, he antagonized cab drivers by threatening police intervention in their protest.

Despite his sacking, Horvath is now a likely candidate for the vacant post of vice president of the Democratic Forum.

Antall said Finance Minister Ferenc Rabar's post is to be given to Mihaly Kupa formerly a senior finance ministry offical and currently heading a private company.

Several deputy state secretaries have resigned, including Katalin Botos of the Finance Ministry and Gyorgy Matolcsy of the government's economic cabinet in association with the rift over the controversial 1991 budget.

The Antall government has been accused of slowness in tackling Hungary's economic problems. Mistakes on the issue of privatisation may cost it the support of its coalition partner, the Small Holders.

Opposition parties accuse the government of losing the support of the nation by lacking bold policies to make up for 40 years of dictatorial rule. Rising prices, growing poverty and inflation have turned the population against the first freely elected government since 1947.

The Antall government faced its greatest crisis in October when the unexpected announcement of almost 100 percent hikes in gasoline prices sent cab drivers into the streets, triggering a three-day nationwide disobedience campaign.

The government was unable to manage the crisis and its reluctance to accept compromise did nothing to boost its image.

Antall, who suffers from a lymph disease, announced the cabinet changes Friday the day before the fourth congress of the Democratic Forum.

Several posts in the party leadership have been vacated by senior party members in recent weeks, suggesting serious cracks within the party leadership.

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CHARLOTTE, NC (DEC. 14) UPI - A federal jury Friday ordered jailed TV evangelist Jim Bakker to pay his former followers $129 million in a fraud and conspiracy lawsuit filed by contributors to his defunct PTL ministry.

The jury deliberated nearly 30 hours over five days in the class- action suit, which had sought more than $700 million.

The jury acquitted three other defendants in the litigation: New York minister Aimee Cortese, a former PTL board member; David Taggart, Bakker's personal assistant at PTL; and the accounting firm of Deloitte, Haskins & Sells. Another major accounting firm, Laventhol & Horwath, also was named in the suit but was removed from the litigation when it filed for federal bankruptcy protection in November.

The suit, filed in 1987, alleged that Bakker conspired with other PTL officals and accountants to set up secret accounts that gave Bakker, his wife, Tammy Faye, and top PTL cohorts large salary bonuses.

The jury said Bakker should pay $115 million in actual damages and about $14 million in punitive damages. The jurors said Bakker, who earns 12 cents an hour working at the federal medical center prison in Rochester, Minn., should pay punitive damages because he committed ''common-law fraud.''

No payment plan for Bakker was specified by court officials.

Bakker's attorney called the ruling a victory, because the plaintiffs ''were trying to get him on a violation under the racketeering statutes'' and were trying to prove that Bakker intentionally cheated PTL's contributors.

''They weren't able to get that ruling,'' said attorney James Toms. ''And this dollar amount is just a number on paper, because unless Jim Bakker wins the Publisher's Clearinghouse sweepstakes or something, he's not going to be able to pay anybody anything.

''But he did get a cost-of-living increase recently'' at the prison, Toms said. ''Now he's up from 11 cents to 12 cents an hour. He still has to work more than two hours just to buy a postage stamp.

''So, at best, the plaintiffs have only a symbolic victory,'' he said.

The suit was filed on behalf of 145,000 of PTL's ''lifetime partners, '' who were told their donations to Bakker's ministry would buy them four days and three nights of free lodging each year for life at PTL's Heritage U.S.A. religious theme park.

Bakker was convicted last year on 24 counts of fraud and conspiracy resulting from the way he ran PTL and was sentenced to 45 years in prison.

Bakker resigned from the ministry he founded in March 1987 amid a sex and money scandal. The ministry then went into bankruptcy.

Toms said the finding of ''common-law fraud'' means the jury believed Bakker did not purposefully defraud PTL contributors.

''Jim Bakker did not intentionally wrong his people,'' Toms said in closing arguments. ''He, like all men, is flawed. He made mistakes. But he gave every ounce of energy, enthusiasm and dedicated effort to build his dream and to build it for his peopple, and the dream failed at the hands of others.''

The plaintiffs alleged that one benefactor of the bonuses was PTL President Richard Dortch, 58, who served as the liaision in hush-money payments to church secretary Jessica Hahn, whose sexual tryst with Bakker led to the disintegration of his evangelical empire.

Dortch now is serving a 2 1/2-year sentence at a federal prison in Florida after pleading guilty last year to four counts of conspiracy and fraud at PTL.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - A former close associate of accused S&L kingpin Charles Keating Jr. said Friday Sen. Donald Riegle, D-Mich., set up a controversial 1987 meeting between five senators and bank regulators on Keating's behalf, but skipped the session because he knew it was a ''politically explosive situation.''

James Grogan, vice president of Keating's failed Lincoln Savings and Loan of Irvine, Calif., and corporate counsel for the thrift's parent company, Phoenix-based American Continental Corp., testified under a grant of limited immunity during the 17th day of public hearings by the Senate ethics committee regarding the conduct of the so-called Keating Five senators.

Grogan's testimony, which followed two days of private questioning by the committee, established Riegle's active role in first arranging the April 2, 1987, meeting between the lawmakers and Edwin Gray, then Federal Home Loan Board Board chairman, then obscuring his role by demanding a personal invitation from Sen. Dennis DeConcini.

Riegle's actions came at the same time Keating was arranging a Detroit fund-raiser that netted $78,250 for Riegle, which the senator returned one year later following press accounts of Keating's connections with the contributions.

The panel is investigating whether Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., DeConcini, D-Ariz., John Glenn, D-Ohio, John McCain, R-Ariz., and Riegle improperly pressured bank regulators to benefit Keating.

Keating, who contributed $1.3 million to the senators' re-election campaigns and other pet causes, has been indicted on state securities and fraud charges in California and is the target of a continuing federal grand jury probe.

Grogan was one of seven Lincoln or American Continental figures, including

Keating, who invoked their Constitutional right against self- incrimination in refusing to testify before the ethics panel.

But Grogan was compelled to testify and produce related documents under the limited immunity, granted by a U.S. District Court judge. In exchange, Grogan cannot be prosecuted on statements he makes before the committee. He is not facing any criminal charges.

Grogan warned the senators, who will not seek immunity for Keating, that his testimony may be of limited use.

''I don't pretend to be able to speak for Mr. Keating,'' Grogan said. ''Mr. Keating is the only person who could tell you want was in his mind.''

He also said he maintains ''a rather strained relationship'' with Keating, with whom he has not spoken since leaving American Continental in June, because of Keating's dissatisfaction over Grogan's handling of bankruptcy matters.

Riegle's role in the Keating Five affair has been largely vague due in part to Riegle's sworn testiony that he could not remember key events relating to the matter. Earlier, witnesses had speculated on Riegle's role, but Grogan said flatly that Riegle arranged the April 2, 1987, meeting following a personal request from Keating.

''It was his idea to have these meetings and ... he asked me to have the other senators invite him,'' Grogan said of Riegle.

Grogan said Riegle told Keating during a visit to Phoenix on March 9 he had spoken earlier that month with Gray and other senators about coming to the meeting. On March 23, 1987, Keating's fundraiser for Riegle at a hotel Keating owned was attended mostly by Keating employees or company associates, who were the primary contributors at the event.

Riegle, however, did not attend the April 2 meeting, stunning Lincoln officials and leaving the other senators ''miffed,'' Grogan said. The meeting focused on the bank board's lengthy probe into Lincoln, which eventually failed in 1989, costing taxpayers $2 billion.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 14) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	80.93	81.22	80.85	80.97	80.93

Feb 76.45 77.00 76.38 76.75 76.43
Apr 76.45 77.03 76.40 76.90 76.53
Jun 74.40 74.78 74.38 74.63 74.38
Aug 72.90 73.22 72.85 72.93 72.82
Oct 72.80 73.25 72.80 72.95 72.80
Dec 73.85 74.10 73.85 74.00 73.75 Est. sales 12,429 contracts; Thursday 15,334; open interest: 69,914 up 824.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan 88.90 89.35 88.85 89.18 88.88
Mar 86.20 86.68 86.20 86.63 86.30
Apr 84.53 84.95 84.53 84.90 84.57
May 83.35 83.65 83.35 83.57 83.35
Aug 83.30 83.40 82.80 82.80 82.93
Sep 82.60 82.65 82.60 82.65 82.40
Oct .... 82.40 .... 82.35 82.15
Nov 82.40 82.40 82.40 82.40 82.30 Est. sales 1,139 contracts; Thursday 1,510; open interest: 11,189 up 313.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec 50.00 50.95 50.00 50.67 49.60
Feb 49.00 49.50 49.00 49.28 48.45
Apr 46.65 47.33 46.63 47.05 46.42
Jun 50.25 50.65 50.25 50.33 49.83
Jul 50.50 50.85 50.45 50.50 50.17
Aug 48.90 49.50 48.88 49.22 48.90
Oct 44.17 43.95
Dec 45.00 45.00 45.00 44.80 44.55 Est. sales 7,757 contracts; Thursday 8,400; open interest: 26,138 off 744.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb 64.40 65.85 63.80 64.20 64.93
Mar 63.75 64.80 63.05 63.55 63.92
May 63.50 64.80 63.30 63.75 63.90
Jul 63.00 64.00 62.50 62.90 63.00
Aug 60.85 61.85 60.15 60.15 60.30 Est. sales 5,730 contracts; Thursday 2,243; open interest: 12,830 off 43.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 131.18 up 1 cent, 700-850 lbs. 130.29 up 6 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.49 up 15 cents, 700-850 lbs. 119.06 up 19 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light; fresh pork loins and Boston butts not tested; skinned hams firm; seedless bellies weak to 3.50 lower; hams 17-20 lbs. 72.00-73.00, 20-26 lbs. 62.00-63.00, 26-32 lbs. 54.00-56.00, 32 lbs. and up 52.00; bellies 10-12 lbs. 53.00, 12-14 lbs. 55.00-57.00, 14-16 lbs. 55.00-56.50, 16-18 lbs. 52. 50-54.00, 18-20 lbs. 48.00, 20-25 lbs. 43.00-45.00.

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BANGKOK (DEC. 14) UPI - Thai Prime Minister Chatichai Choonhavan named a new five-party coalition government Friday, bringing the two main opposition parties into the government and ousting four coalition partners, official Radio Thailand said.

The announcement came only five days after Chatichai was reappointed following a one-day resignation intended to give him a free hand to oust ministers criticized by the powerful military or tainted by corruption charges.

The extent of the shakeup, however, was greater than expected after two of the former coalition parties objected to Chatichai's conditions for joining the government.

Chatichai, 70, then brought into his government the two largest opposition parties - the Solidarity Party and the Thai Citizen Party - that both demanded his ouster in a no-confidence debate in July. The switch left the government with a number of untried ministers and little-known politicians in key positions.

Analysts in Bangkok said the new government was likely to continue most of the main policies of its predecessor, but said inexperience and factional problems would make it difficult for the government to serve out the remaining 20 months of its term.

Chatichai sacked two parties from his coalition, the United Democratic Party and the Mass Party of outspoken leader Chalerm Yubamrung. Chalerm sparked several of the crises that faced the Chatichai government in its first 28 months in power.

His barbed comments and alleged eavesdropping on military communications with a sophisticated mobile radio truck infuriated military leaders who have traditionally had a large say in Thai politics.

Two larger parties, the Social Action Party and the Democrat Party, declined invitations to join the government, saying the originally planned six-party composition would leave too few opposition members of Parliament to act as an effective check on the government. The opposition would have been unable to raise the 20 percent of the house needed to call a vote of no confidence.

The five-party government now controls 227 of the 357 seats in the lower house of the legislature but its new ministers face a strong lineup of opposition leaders.

The Solidarity Party, which was formed only last year from several small

parties, and Chatichai s own Thai Nation Party suffer from factional in-fighting.

New Foreign Minister Arthit Urairat, taking up his first cabinet position, is a former governor of the Bangkok Metropolitan Water Works Authority and the owner of a private university. New Finance Minister Banharn Silpa-archa, has never worked in the Finance Ministry, but he has held four other cabinet positions previously.

Chatichai, the first elected prime minister in a decade, will have to face a cooling economy, questions about the competence of his ministers and continuing dissatisfaction among the military.

The former Army commander in chief, Gen. Chavalit Yongchaiyudh, who is building up his own political party, is expected to pose another challenge to the Chatichai government. "I give this government three months, and then I ll be ready," Chavalit said just before the new cabinet was announced.

Analysts, however, predicted a similar lifespan for Chatichai s primiership in August, 1988 and the prime minister still appears determined to continue in office until the end of his term in July 1992.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - A Family Court judge Friday ordered a 14-year-old neighborhood bully kept in a ''secure'' facility for the first year of a three-year term of state custody for setting fire to a frail Brooklyn schoolboy whose plight won national attention.

It was the maximum term that could be given to the defendant, known only as ''G.S.,'' for the burning and maiming of David Opont on March 7, the day before his 12th birthday.

''G.S.,'' described by a Family Court pychiatrist as showing characteristics of a sadistic personality disorder, was convicted November 24 of kidnapping and attempted murder in the attack on David, along with the attempted robbery of other children the day before.

David suffered burns over 50 percent of his body and has undergone many painful operations followed by extensive rehabilitation.

His story attracted thousands of well-wishers, including former President Reagan, Jesse Jackson, ballplayer Dwight Gooden and comedian Bill Cosby.

At the sentencing Friday, Judge Joseph Esquirol called the offense ''perhaps the most heinous'' he has had to deal with in his career.

''The circumstances of this are shocking,'' the judge said. ''I can't find a word of what I think of this act. ... It was a horrible crime.''

The sentenced youth showed no emotion during the hearing, sitting quietly beside his mother.

Judge Esquirol ordered the boy to the custody of the state Division for Youth for three years, the first year of which will be spent in a ''secure'' facility, and the second in a residential program.

During the last year, the Division For Youth would be expected to make a determination about where the youth should be held. Under law, the boy could be kept in custody up until the time he is 21.

The judge said there should be no home visits during the first year, and also discounted the nine months the child has already been jailed at Spofford juvenile detention center.

During two interviews Family Court psychiatrist Walter Flegenheimer had with the teenager, he noted that he ''at times showed remorse, at other times showed more concern for his own condition that of his victim.''

''He really doesn't realize what he's done ... although he says the victim got burned,'' the psychiatrist said. ''He's still surprised at the condemnation of his peers ... and the attention'' of the media.

''The act itself doesn't have an emotional impact for him,'' he added. ''He's even surprised he was arrested for it,'' saying the boy said he thought he was about to be arrested for truancy when police picked him up in the case.

Flegenheimer told Esquirol the teenager would need at least two years of counseling for the treatment to have a chance to make an effect, but noted that the characteristics of a ''sadistic personality disorder'' were ''present now and highly likely to be present in the future.''

''The chances of success in this treatment are not very good,'' he noted.

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ROME (DEC. 14) UPI - European Community leaders agreed Friday to send emergency food aid to the Soviet Union to prevent winter famine and to show their support for the policies of President Mikhail Gorbachev.

The exact amount, which could total $1 billion in grants and credits, was still being debated.

The accord to send food aid came on the first day of a two-day summit that

will launch historic steps toward a common currency and a joint foreign policy in the 12-nation EC.

''All without exception agreed to give immediate aid to the Soviet Union,'' said a spokesman for Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, who holds the rotating EC presidency.

EC leaders were also debating whether to approve, in addition to the food aid, up to $1.4 billion in technical assistance to the Soviets for 1991 and 1992, including funds to improve food distribution.

The EC executive agency proposed $1 billion in Soviet food aid, about one-third of it in outright grants and the other two-thirds in credits.

Several countries argued, however, that credits would only add to the Soviet Union's staggering debt.

Britain prefers EC technical assistance ''so we solve the problems once and for all instead of just this year,'' said a British government source.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany, whose country has already provided food aid to the Soviets, spoke first on the need to send EC food assistance.

''If Gorbachev fails it's going to cost us even more in the long run so we ought to do something today,'' said Kohl, according to officials.

French President Francois Mitterrand said the EC should go beyond food aid, to include technical assistance and balance-of-payment help, because ''the whole situation in the Soviet Union should be seen as an emergency.''

The EC leaders discussed the Soviet Union's troubled food distribution system, saying it was especially important for food to reach Moscow and Leningrad.

Soviet assistance dominated the first day of discussions. The Persian Gulf crisis, South Africa and the stalled world trade talks were on the agenda for Friday night's dinner.

The summit concludes Saturday with inauguration of two landmark constitutional conventions, on economic and monetary union and on political union.

The ''intergovernmental conferences,'' as they are known, are slated to end next year with changes to the EC's founding charter, the 1957 Treaty of Rome, eventually leading to a single currency and a common security policy.

A draft proposal on currency union, circulated Friday, calls for key decisions to be taken by ''qualified'' or weighted majority, including at least eight EC countries, rather than by unanimity.

The new British prime minister, John Major, stressed that Britain is prepared to play a positive role in EC affairs. His predecessor, Margaret Thatcher, fell from power last month over her strident opposition to EC integration.

''I don't think anyone in the Community wants a confrontation,'' said Major. ''We have to engage in the discussions in a constructive spirit and so must our Community partners.''

Although Major shares Thatcher's opposition to a single currency and some other EC policies, the new prime minister's tone at his first EC summit was far more accomodating.

''He said there is a real desire in Britain for having the Community succeed, especially among the young people,'' said the Italian spokesman.

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TIRANA, ALBANIA (DEC. 14) UPI - Security forces backed by armored vehicles Friday confronted rioters in at least four towns on the second day of unrest that has rocked Albania since Marxist President Ramiz Alia agreed to permit independent political parties, witnesses, police and other sources said.

Some police officers sustained injuries in the disturbances that erupted in the industrial centers of Elbasan and Kavaja, the main port of Durres, and the coastal town of Saranda after protests by thousands of workers, they said.

Police sources said that emergencies were declared in the towns and movement into and out of them was prohibited by the military. Similar conditions prevailed in Shkoder, which was reported to be calm a day after protesters there clashed with security forces.

In Tirana, troops were deployed outside the government radio and television stations and around the ''Student City'' dormitory area of Enver Hoxha University, where three days of protests earlier in the week led Alia to open the door to democratic pluralism in what was Europe's last bastion of orthodox Marxism.

Small groups of soldiers were also posted on city streets. Authorities denied permission to journalists to leave the capital, where the situation was otherwise calm.

Witnesses and other sources said rioters took to the streets of Kavaja, 20 miles southwest of Tirana, and Elbasan, 30 miles southeast of the capital, looting shops and damaging buildings. Official media reports said protesters used dynamite.

Police and troops backed by armored vehicles moved in to restore order, they

said.

No other details were available from Kavaja, a metalurgical manufacturing center.

A source described the rioters in Elbasan, an important steel-making area, as ''hooligans'' who began ''looting, smashing and burning. Some cars were set on fire.''

Security forces deployed water cannon to disperse the crowds, he said.

''These are hooligans who are trying to embarrass and disturb the process of democratization,'' said the source, a supporter of the government. ''They are trying to use democracy for destablizing the country.''

However, many workers in Albania's industrial areas are known to have become increasingly dissatisfied with conditions in the tiny Balkan nation of 3.2 million, particularly low pay and food shortages caused by the dire economic plight wrought by 45 years of self-imposed isolation from most of the rest of the world. Police and other sources also reported disturbances in Durres, 20 miles west of Tirana, and in Saranda, 100 miles south of the capital.

In Durres, one source said, crowds gathered in the center of the town and hurled rocks at windows. He said police intervened to quell further trouble in the country's main port on the Adriatic Sea.

There were no additional details available on the situation in Saranda, he said.

Sources said calm prevailed in Shkoder a day after violent clashes between rioters and security forces injured at least 10 people, including its chief of police and one other officer. More than 30 people were reported arrested.

The rioting was believed to be among the most serious outbreaks of unrest to hit Albania since the downfall of Marxist regimes in Eastern Europe in 1989.

An appeal for calm was issued by leaders of the Democratic Party, the first independent political organization formed after Alia's Albanian Party of Labor agreed on Monday to open the doors to political pluralism.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 14) UPI - Trading was choppy and grain and soybean futures were mostly higher at the close Friday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

The overall volume was relatively light as the market appeared to have taken on a pre-holiday mood.

Short-covering and positioning ahead of the weekend provided underlying support across the floor.

Soybeans rallied late in the day and were at or near session highs at the final bell. Traders noted a reluctance to sell until details of the export credit package to the Soviet Union are announced.

Corn was fractionally higher in choppy trading with commercials on both sides of the market.

News the Agriculture Department will allow another 300 million bushels of wheat to be put into the farmer-owned reserve kept a floor under wheat prices.

Basis levels were mixed and country movement was light.

At the close, corn was unchanged to up 1 1/4, soybeans up 1/4 to 1 1/2, wheat down 1 1/2 to up 1/2 and oats up 1/2 to 3/4.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 14) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Friday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.55 1/2	2.55 1/2	2.51 3/4	2.53	2.54 1/2
Mar	2.65 1/2	2.66	2.64	2.65 3/4	2.65
May	2.72 1/2	2.73	2.71	2.71 3/4	2.72
Jly	2.75 1/2	2.76	2.74	2.75 1/4	2.74 3/4
Sep	2.80 3/4	2.81 1/2	2.80	2.81 1/2	2.81
Dec	2.93 1/2	2.93 1/2	2.92 1/2	2.93 1/2	2.93
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.23 1/2	2.24 1/4	2.22 1/4	2.23 1/4	2.23
Mar	2.35 1/2	2.37	2.34 3/4	2.36 1/2	2.35 1/4
May	2.43 3/4	2.44 3/4	2.43	2.44 1/2	2.43 1/2
Jly	2.50	2.51	2.49 1/2	2.50 3/4	2.50
Sep	2.51	2.52	2.50 3/4	2.51 1/2	2.51
Dec	2.51 1/4	2.52	2.50 3/4	2.51 3/4	2.51 3/4
Mar	2.58	2.59 1/4	2.57 3/4	2.58 3/4	2.58 3/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	1.08 3/4	1.09 1/2	1.08 1/2	1.08 1/2	1.08
Mar	1.18 3/4	1.19	1.18	1.18 1/2	1.18
May	1.23 1/2	1.24 1/2	1.23 1/4	1.23 3/4	1.23 1/4
Jly	1.29	1.29 3/4	1.29	1.29	1.28 1/2

Sep	1.34 1/2	1.34 3/4	1.34 1/4	1.34 1/4	1.33 3/4
Dec	1.42 3/4	1.42 3/4	1.42 3/4	1.42 3/4	1.42

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Jan	5.88 1/2	5.90	5.85	5.88 1/4	5.88
Mar	6.03	6.05	6.00 1/2	6.03 1/4	6.02 3/4
May	6.17 1/2	6.19	6.14 1/4	6.18	6.17
Jly	6.29	6.31	6.26 3/4	6.29 3/4	6.29 1/4
Aug	6.32 1/2	6.33 1/4	6.30 1/2	6.32 3/4	6.32
Sep	6.26	6.26 1/2	6.24 1/2	6.26 1/4	6.25
Nov	6.24	6.26	6.21 3/4	6.25 1/4	6.24 1/4
Jan	6.35 1/2	6.36 1/4	6.35 1/2	6.36 1/4	6.35
Mar	6.47	6.48 1/2	6.47	6.48 1/2	6.47

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	21.35	21.35	21.20	21.20	21.25
Jan	21.51	21.54	21.29	21.30	21.45
Mar	21.80	21.84	21.61	21.61	21.76
May	22.09	22.10	21.88	21.88	22.04
Jul	22.20	22.25	22.05	22.09	22.20
Aug	22.10	22.10	21.96	21.96	22.10
Sep	22.05	22.05	21.96	22.00	22.02
Oct	22.00	22.00	21.80	21.80	21.92
Dec	21.95	21.95	21.80	21.90	21.82
Jan	21.75	21.85	....	21.80	21.75

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	175.00	176.00	173.40	175.70	175.00
Jan	176.10	177.50	174.90	177.10	175.70
Mar	180.90	182.00	180.00	181.60	180.80
May	184.50	185.80	183.90	185.60	184.30
Jul	187.80	189.20	187.10	189.10	187.60
Aug	188.50	190.00	188.50	189.20	188.00
Sep	187.00	189.50	187.00	189.00	187.20
Oct	186.50	188.00	186.50	188.00	187.00
Dec	189.00	191.00	188.00	191.00	189.00
Jan	188.00	189.00	....	188.50	186.70

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 14) UPI - Standard & Poor's Corp. said Friday that it has lowered ratings on about $9.8 billion of debt and preferred stock held by Security Pacific Corp., which recently projected fourth-quarter losses of up to $360 million.

Security Pacific, the nation's fourth-largest bank holding company with assets of about $86 billion, said Monday that it would take a $200 million charge to

close or sell its merchant bank operation and boost its loan-loss provision by $600 million. The loan-loss increase, designed to cover $325 million of losses during the quarter, stemmed mostly from real estate problems in Arizona and Australia.

The New York-based credit-rating agency said the downgrades reflect concern over the deterioration in international loan quality and continuing losses incurred by Security Pacific's Arizona bank.

"Current ratings also incorporate the expectation of significant deterioration in domestic lending in general and real estate lending in particular as the economy weakens," S&P said.

Some analysts said they expect Security Pacific to post good earnings next year, but S&P said the prospects are dim because nonperforming assets are expected to be above their historic high.

S&P noted that the company's capital and reserves are "modest" relative to the risk profile of the loan portfolio but that the decision to get out of the international area of merchant banking and its commercial finance businesses will cut down risks. Security Pacific's stock was off 75 cents to $21.25 a share in early afternoon trading Friday on the New York Stock Exchange.

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DETROIT (DEC. 14) UPI - A sportier version of Chevrolet's radically restyled full-sized Caprice sedan will receive Motor Trend magazine's Car of the Year Award for 1991, it was learned Friday.

While the award will not be officially announced until Jan. 9 at the North American International Auto Show in Detroit, sources said the magazine has selected the Caprice LTZ sedan, which is not on sale yet.

The Motor Trend Car of the Year Award, given nearly every year since 1949, is one of the best known and widely publicized prizes in the industry, worth millions of dollars in influential advertising and publicity for the winning nameplate.

"There is no question that the award moves the product," said John Krausman, a Motor Trend salesman, who said the magazine would announce the winner next month. A Chevrolet spokesman neither declined or confirmed the selection.

The Caprice LTZ, manufactured by General Motors Corp., is based on the rear-drive, V8-powered Caprice Classic sedan that was given an all new body for 1991, marking its first major design change in 14 years. But it has a stiffer suspension to improve its road handling. The LTZ was selected from a eight cars and minivans chosen as finalists by the magazine's editors.

Other cars vying for the award included the Buick Park Avenue Ultra, Ford Escort GT, Mercury Tracer LTS, Oldsmobile Custom Cruiser station wagon, and Oldsmobile Ninety-Eight. Minivan models included Chrysler's Dodge Caravan ES and Plymouth Grand Voyager LE.

Each year a field of all-new or substantially redesigned cars are evaluated by Motor Trend editors for ride, handling, style, comfort and value. They compete against similar cars in their class, but the car with the highest overall rating wins.

Under magazine rules, the winning car must be available for sale or order at the time of the award's announcement, Krausman said. Earlier this year, Motor Trend awarded the Mazda Navajo sport utility vehicle as the recipient of its first annual Truck of the Year award. Its Import Car of the Year award will be announced at the Chicago Auto Show in February, Krausman said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	372.25	up 1.00
Morning fixing	373.15	up 0.90
Afternoon fixing	373.20	up 0.95
Close	373.25	up 1.00
Paris	373.43	off 1.40
Zurich	373.50	up 2.00
Hong Kong	373.50	up 1.25
New York		
Comex spot close	376.70	up 2.40
Republic cash	376.75	up 3.25
Handy and Harman	373.20	up 1.20

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 374.48 up 1.20 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 393.20 up 1.26 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	3.937	off 0.069
Republic cash	3.935	off 0.09

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 3.97 per fine ounce off 0.035

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 3.995 off 0.04 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.275 off 0. 042

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 416.00 up 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 516.00 up 1.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 88.00 off 1.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 103.00 off 1.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday 1 to 2 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.70	9.79	9.65	9.67	9.69
May	9.80	9.84	9.74	9.74	9.76
Jly	9.85	9.90	9.80	9.80	9.81
Oct	9.85	9.87	9.78	9.78	9.80
Mar	9.90	....	....	9.85	9.87

Estimated sales: 7,054 contracts

Open interest: 109,582 up 23

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.68

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday unchanged to 7 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	22.41	22.49	22.41	22.48	22.41
May	22.52	22.57	22.52	22.57	22.52
Jly	22.66	22.69	22.66	22.67	22.66
Sep	22.66	22.69	22.66	22.68	22.66
Nov	22.70	22.70	22.63	22.65	22.64
Jan	....	....	....	22.62	22.62
Mar	....	....	....	22.52	22.52

Estimated sales: 704 contracts

Open interest: 10,927 up 82

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(DEC. 15) UPI - SPORTS DIGEST

Business

The Chicago White Sox' new stadium is $10.5 million over budget, threatening to eliminate the project's surplus as a funding source for a new dome for the Chicago Bears, the Chicago Tribune reports. The baseball stadium almost certainly will be ready for the April 18 home opener. Demolition of Comiskey Park will start in March.

College

The NCAA plans to investigate the University of Minnesota football and basketball teams. Players allegedly received cash from fired university administrator Luther Darville. Darville was convicted of embezzling nearly $200,000 from the school.

Football

Green Bay quarterback Don Majkowski will miss the rest of the season following shoulder surgery. The torn rotator cuff was repaired in San Diego, where Majkowski sought a second opinion. Last week Packers physician E.S. Brusky said there was no tear and he cleared the quarterback to play. Majkowski hurt himself Nov. 18 against the Cardinals. The injury is not career-threatening.

Law

Three Montreal Canadiens players spent the night in a Winnipeg jail after aiding two women outside a downtown bar. Shayne Corson, Michael Keane and Brian Skrudland were charged with fighting. Police said the women were tossed out of the club and the players thought the women were being hassled outside. No one was seriously injured. The players are due in court Jan. 4. ... A backup center on Cleveland State's basketball team pleaded innocent to rape. Roy Williams allegedly raped an 18-year- old student Nov. 3 during a fraternity party. Police said the woman was drunk and Williams offered to help her to a bedroom. ... The athletic director at North Dakota State was arrested Friday in Fargo, N.D., on an alcohol-related charge. Bob Entzion was spotted slumped behind the wheel of a car in a parking lot. The charge is similar to drunken driving.

Skiing

Switzerland's Franz Heinzer won a World Cup downhill at Val Gardena, Italy, to move into first place in the overall standings. Bernie Huber of Germany was second in the downhill and Atle Skaardal of Norway third. ... Fog wiped out Friday's women's World Cup downhill at Meiringen, Switzerland. A super-giant slalom will be held Saturday and a giant slalom Sunday in the resort famed as the setting for the death of fictional detective Sherlock Holmes.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - Talks betweeen the United States and Iraq may never take place in Baghdad. The two sides caN'T decide on a date for Secretary of State Baker's visit. Saddam Hussein says he'll talk with Baker only on January 12th, three days before a U-N mandated deadline. The U-S wants the talks held earlier.

A two-day European summit has opened in Rome with agreement on sending emergency food aid to the Soviet Union. The European Community's Executive Commission is talking about one-BILLION dollars in food aid to Moscow, one-third in outright grants and the remainder in credits.

The Soviet republic of Lithuania says it will boycott the landmark Congress of People's Deputies opening Monday in Moscow. The independence-minded republic says it considers the Soviet Union a foreign state. The 10-day Congress will discuss a new union treaty for the Soviet Union's 15 republics and elect a vice president and a new premier.

Federal investigators are checking the condition of the brakes aboard an Amtrak train as a possible cause for its derailment in Boston Wednesday. The engineer said the brakes were NOT working when the train derailed at a high rate of speed and ripped into a commuter train, injuring more than 260 people.

Authorities are baffled over the deaths of 12 members of a religious group whose bodies were found yesterday sprawled in a circle in a small house near downtown Tijuana, Mexico. Investigators want to know if the deaths were accidental or if the worshippers were poisoned in a healing ritual. Six other people, including the 72-year-old spiritual leader, are in comas.

Islamic fundamentalist supporters are suspected in the stabbing deaths of three Israelis at an aluminum factory early today in the coastal town of Jaffa Israel. The deaths led to attacks against Arabs driving through the area. Nationalistic slogans in Arabic were found on walls inside the factory.

One of Europe's richest men is dead. Prince Johannes died today in a hospital near Munich, Germany, after his second heart transplant in seven weeks. The 64-year-old aristocrat, whose ancestors created the postal service in central Europe 500 years ago, ruled over a global empire worth an estimated one-point-three BILLION to three-point- four BILLION dollars.

In South Africa, African National Congress President Oliver Tambo is calling for a re-evaluation of the movement's campaign for economic sanctions against the white minority government... citing ''new developments in the country and abroad.'' Tambo returned to South Africa yesterday after three decades in exile.

A federal judge in Philadephia woN'T throw out the defamation suit a fired investment analyst brought against New York developer Donald Trump. Marvin

Roffman says he was fired because of pressure from Trump after writing that Trump's Atlantic City Taj Mahal casino would NOT make enough to pay its debt.

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WINNIPEG, Manitoba (DEC. 14) UPI - Three members of the Montreal Canadiens were arrested and charged with fighting early Friday after rushing from a downtown bar to help two women.

Charged are players Shayne Corson, 25, Michael Keane, 23 and Brian Skrudland, 27, who was charged under his legal name Norman. Also charged are Dennis Levene, 29 and Felix Christian, 30, both of Winnipeg.

The three players and the two Winnipeg men spent the night in custody and were released early Friday afternoon after posting $500 bail and promising to appear in court Jan. 4.

Winnipeg police spokesman Eric Turner said all seven combatants suffered cuts, bruises and scrapes, and that Keane and Corson were taken to hospital but declined to be treated.

Turner said the fight erupted at about 2:30 a.m. outside the Rory Street Marble Club, a popular downtown nightclub.

Turner said two women who were ejected from the club continued their dispute outside, and two men joined the fray in an effort to separate them.

Keane and Corson, watching the scene from inside the bar, thought the women were being accosted and rushed to their aid.

''They supposed the girls needed rescuing and they got involved with the other two guys,'' Turner said. Skrudland eventually joined the melee.

The Montreal Canadiens play the Winnipeg Jets Saturday night at Winnipeg Arena.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages fell to 9.56 percent from 9.81 percent while adjustable-rate notes declined to 7.91 percent from 8.04 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - President Bush announced the death of the Cold War in November, but it was old news, since the world already had accepted the

collapse of communism, illustrated by the fall of the Berlin Wall.

Eastern Europe finally pried itself loose from the Kremlin's grip while Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev held back the Red Army. He was rewarded with the Nobel Peace Prize.

Finally, on Nov. 21, the leaders of 34 nations adopted the sweeping Charter of Paris, the treaty that reduces the NATO and Warsaw Pact conventional arms in Europe, ending four decades of ideological and military tension.

''The era of confrontation and division of Europe has ended,'' the heads of state said in the final document of the three-day summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Bush put it more simply. ''The Cold War is over,'' he declared, ''and now we move on to working with the various countries and others for a peaceful and stable Europe.''

So profound has been the political upheaval in both Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union in just over one year that the longtime democracies have had a hard time adjusting.

And the United States, which had designed its military posture to meet the Soviet bloc threat and possibly World War III, was suddenly faced with the question: ''Who's the enemy?''

And although he was slow on the uptake in realizing that he could do business with Gorbachev, Bush was ready with a vision of a ''new world order.''

This new order entailed the bolstering of the United Nations into a powerful force that could exert its authority over regional conflicts and brushfires. With the Soviet Union and the United States on the same side, the possibilities for East-West cooperation became an instant reality.

The 26-nation coalition that Bush lined up against Iraq was a tour de force of diplomacy and boded well for strengthening the world organization to repel aggression. It can hold as long as the allies' mutual interests do, and with the shrinking world, those interests - political and economic - are becoming more entwined.

But while the East-West military threat has been subdued, major economic problems have arisen which must be resolved to keep the political trends on the right track. The United States is suffering economic stagnation at a time when its aid is badly needed by the Soviet Union as it seeks to move from a totally controlled economy to a free market.

After World War II, the United States had deep enough pockets to sponsor an altruistic Marshall Plan that revived Western Europe and made it strong enough

politically and economically to withstand Soviet feints testing its ability to expand its control on the continent.

But now the United States cannot bankroll the reforms it is strongly pushing among the emerging democracies and in the U.S.S.R., and there is concern that the peoples of the fledgling democracies might become disillusioned and turn back to previous leaders.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $1 to $6 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.00 cent to 1.35 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.20 to 0.90 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.10 to 0.89 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.40 to $3.80 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $2.30 to $3.00 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.05 cent higher to 0.35 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 6.9 to 7.8 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.001 to 0.002 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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By PATRICK MOSER - UPI

BONN (DEC. 14) UPI - On Jan. 1, 1990, thousands of Berliners danced on the newly-opened Berlin Wall to mark the start of a new decade free of the Iron Curtain division of their city, but few could have guessed they were also ushering in the year of German unification.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl himself has admitted that he had no idea at the time that more than four decades of a divided Germany would end before the year was over.

''No one can forecast today how the process of rapprochement between the two states in Germany will develop. But I am convinced that unity will come, if people in Germany want it,'' he said in a New Year's message on Dec. 31, 1989, when he was still chancellor of only West German.

Less than 10 months later, East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere bid farewell to his state, the red, black and gold flag of unity was hoisted over all of Germany, and Kohl became the leader of all Germany.

The Oct. 3 merger of East and West Germany capped months of dramatic changes and tough negotiations, created an economic giant in the heart of Europe and altered the continent's military balance.

The turning point in Germany's post-war history was marked by the massive democracy demonstrations of autumn 1989 that led to the collapse of East Germany's hard-line communist dictatorship and, three weeks later, to the opening of the Berlin wall on Nov. 9, 1989.

Prime Minister Hans Modrow, who then headed East Germany's reformist but still communist transitional government caused some astonishment on Feb. 1, 1990, when he joined calls for the unification of the two Germanys. ''Germany should again be a united fatherland for all Germans,'' he said.

The unification process gained momentum on March 18 when the communists who ruled the country for 40 years were voted out of office in East Germany's first free elecions, which brought in a coalition headed by Kohl's protege and fellow conservative, Lothar de Maiziere.

The conservative victory was seen as a popular mandate for Kohl's plan for swift unification.

No one knew at that stage what the timetable would be, and the first hurdles cropped up during May 6 negotations in Bonn, dubbed two-plus-four because of the participation of the two Germanys and the four victorious World War II allies - Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the United States.

The Soviet Union made it clear at the talks that it would not allow a united Germany to be a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, the Western military alliance.

A compromise started to emerge at the next meeting of the six foreign ministers in Berlin on June 23. The apparent warming of the talks was symbolized by the removal - witnessed by the ministers - of one of the last relics of the cold war: Checkpoint Charlie, the Western allied control post at the foot of the wall, in the American sector of the city.

The first step toward full political union was implemented July 1, with the

formation of a German economic union, which brought the strong Deutsche mark and the West German economic system to East Germany, but also brought industrial stagnation and growing unemployment to the eastern state.

After 40 years of centrally planned economy, the 8,000 East German state-owned firms were ill-equipped to deal with free and tough competition. Several collapsed and most had to lay off workers.

The final unification hurdle was cleared later in July when Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev told Kohl at a meeting in the Soviet Union that Moscow had dropped objections to plans for Germany's membership of NATO.

And the countdown started Aug. 23, when, after weeks of arduous negotiations, East and West Germany set the date for the merger.

Germany again became a single unified nation as the last stroke of midnight heralded Oct. 3, 1990.

Millions of people celebrated the historic merger in a night of solemn ceremony which erupted into joyous celebrations. Later in the day, about 20,000 people marched through the streets of Berlin, protesting unification, under the motto ''Germany, keep your mouth shut.''

About 1,000 masked leftist youths broke off from the demonstration to clash with police in eastern Berlin's downtown Alexander Plaza.

Such clashes became increasingly frequent in eastern Berlin and were largely seen as the reason for the Dec. 2 electoral defeat of the Social Democratic Party in all-Berlin elections.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - President Bush refused to budge Friday on his dates proffered for direct U.S.-Iraqi peace talks, saying he will not be party to ''Saddam Hussein's manipulation'' to get around a Jan. 15 deadline to get out of Kuwait.

''That deadline is real,'' Bush insisted.

Speaking as he headed off to the presidential retreat in Camp David, Md., Bush sounded no compromise in his refusal to set a proposed meeting between Secretary of State James Baker and the Iraqi president too near to the U.N. deadline for withdrawal from Kuwait.

He noted that since proposing the high-level direct talks, billed as a last chance to avoid war, the United States has offered 15 different dates for Baker to travel to Baghdad.

Iraq has come back with only one date, Jan. 12, which the administration says is too close to the deadline for Saddam to withdraw his troops. A planned session between Bush and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Washington, proposed for Dec. 17, is tied to both meetings being scheduled.

''In offering to go the extra mile for peace ... I did not offer to be a party to Saddam Hussein's manipulation,'' said Bush. ''He ought to get moving and do something reasonable - if he really wants to move for peace. ... If it's simply that he is trying to manipulate, that is what I will have no part of.''

He noted that Saddam has managed to meet with a dozen or so dignitaries and celebrities who have traveled to Baghdad since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait and insisted, ''It simply is not credible that he cannot, over a two-week period, make a couple of hours available for the secretary of state on an issue of this importance - unless of course he is seeking to circumvent the United Nations deadline.''

Bush's remarks came as administration officials began speaking more openly of the possibility the proposed talks will not happen if the circumstances are not worked out as the United States wants.

After a meeting at the White House earlier, Sens. Richard Lugar, R- Ind., and John McCain, R-Ariz., said Bush was ''still hopeful'' the high-level exchanges would take place but that he was prepared ''to have no meetings rather than to see a lot of shoving around,'' according to Lugar.

The standoff over the dates for the proposed talks stems from the wording of the original proposal, which Bush said he wished he had made clearer in an address to the nation Nov 30. Then he proposed that Aziz come to Washington some time after Dec. 15, this Saturday, and that Baker then go to Baghad before Jan. 15.

Though setting no deadlines for Saddam to accept a date for the Baker meeting, Bush said he supposed the Aziz meeting was ''on hold'' until the matter is cleared up and stressed there would be little or no room for compromise.

''I want a peaceful solution to this crisis. But I will not be a party to circumventing or diluting the United Nations deadline, which I think offers the very best chance for a peaceful solution,'' he said.

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BY PATRICIA KOZA - UPI

WARSAW, POLAND (DEC. 14) UPI - The heady days of revolution in Eastern Europe were but a memory as 1990 drew to a close, and a new, grim reality set in: how

to pay the staggering bill for freedom.

As the old communist dogma of fraternal brotherhood was buried, bitter displays of nationalism threatened to tear apart such cobbled- together postwar states as Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia.

In Poland, where the march toward democracy started a decade ago with the birth of the Solidarity movement, the nation seemed rudderless despite the election of Solidarity's founder, Lech Walesa, as its president.

Poland's - and Eastern Europe's - first postwar non-communist government is gone. Its brave economic reform plan, the darling of the International Monetary Fund, is a shambles. Its parliament is a useless relic from the communist past, unrepresentative of the population.

In Bulgaria and Romania, where the painful 1989 revolutions only served to vault a new set of ''reformed'' communists into the leadership, the food and energy shortages are worse than ever.

''We're virtually on the edge of extinction as a nation,'' said Bulgarian pollster Euginii Dainov. ''There's no food or bread or medicine.''

Forty years of communism has left the countries of Eastern Europe, home to more than 100 million people, near bankruptcy. Although all these emerging democracies have pledged to move to a market-oriented economy, the enormity of the task is only now being understood.

A recent report by the U.N. Economic Commission for Europe based in Geneva painted a bleak picture of falling output and productivity, rising unemployment and accelerating inflation throughout the region.

These negative factors have been worsened by rising oil prices brought on by the Gulf crisis, and by the Soviet decision to cut back on oil deliveries to its former satellites and demand all payments from Jan. 1, 1991, in hard currency.

''The oil shock has made matters considerably worse, and in Bulgaria, Romania and the Soviet Union basic food shortages are increasing and threaten to become very serious during the winter,'' the U.N. report said.

The rising price of oil is expected to add $10 billion to the region's energy bill in 1991, while at the same time postpone the shutdown of Soviet-designed nuclear power plants in Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria deemed unsafe by Western standards.

In Hungary, striking taxi drivers paralyzed Budapest and other major cities in November when the government tried to impose a 65 percent increase on gasoline prices to compensate for the oil shortfall.

The enormity of the difficulties facing the countries that once were Soviet satellites may be seen in one area alone: the transfer of state- owned property to private hands.

The crucial privatization process has been slowed by fears that foreigners will buy up choice properties at bargain-basement prices, by claims and counter-claims of former owners of nationalized or confiscated plants, and by public outrage in Hungary and Poland when it became known that former communist managers were buying into some of the former state companies.

A Polish official notes grimly that if Warsaw proceeds at the pace Britain sold off its state-run industries during the Thatcher years, it will take 173 years to privatize its 7,000 companies.

The boldest plunge toward market economy in the East Bloc was taken by Poland, which last Jan. 1 announced an economic austerity plan to stem hyperinflation.

It worked, but at a heavy cost. Real incomes dropped nearly 40 percent, unemployment shot beyond 1 million, prices skyrocketed and industrial output plunged 30 percent.

On Nov. 25, the patient Poles said ''enough.'' They voted Solidarity Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki out of the presidential race with Walesa, supporting instead an emigree Canadian businessman, Stanislaw Tyminski, who promised a get-rich-quick scenario.

Mazowiecki resigned the next day, although the government stayed on as caretaker pending Walesa's nomination of a new premier. Meanwhile, the fate of Poland's economic stabilization program, much admired in the West, hung in limbo, although Walesa has said he would continue it ''with corrections.''

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MOSCOW (DEC. 14) UPI - In perestroika's sixth year, Mikhail Gorbachev has become the captive of a self-devised but powerless presidency impotently watching his nation unravel and the economy turn to handouts from the West.

What should have been Gorbachev's triumph of his six years in power, the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize for ending the Cold War, sent his already falling popularity plummeting further with an approval rating of 21 percent registered in a November poll.

''If democratic elections were held today, Gorbachev probably would not be able to confirm his right to lead the country,'' the weekly newspaper Moscow News commented.

So vocal was popular resentment at Gorbachev's travels abroad even to obtain French, Spanish and German credits for the faltering economy that the Nobel laureate chose not to go to Oslo to pick up the prestigious award in person.

By year's end, Gorbachev ingominiously had to cancel an internal trip to the republic of Moldavia intended to calm restive Russian and Moslem Gagauz minorities there, when the minority legislators vowed to boycott his appearance in the Moldavian Parliament.

Gorbachev's dilemma can be gauged only by comparing his power base when he took over in March 1985 and the present structure of administration that he has created for himself, largely in 1990.

In March 1985, Gorbachev was elected general secretary of the Communist Party. He was head of the 11-man Politburo that sent its commands through the 300-man Central Committee and then into every factory, school, army division and police headquarters via the thousands of communist primary cells.

The economy, nothing to write home about with any growth due only to the exports of oil and millions in domestic vodka sales, nevertheless worked under the Draconian system in which Communist planners set yearly targets and distributed the products by non-market fixed prices.

But in 1988, Gorbachev resuscitated the largely dormant national Supreme Soviet by mandating multi-candidate elections, opening the way for non-Communists to enter the legislature and even the government, or Council of Ministers - all in the name of getting the economy moving.

Multi-candidate elections were next extended to the 15 republics and the cities of the vast nation, and the Communists were tossed out of office in the largest cities in Russia.

''What you have are some islands of non-Communism - Moscow, Leningrad and Sverdlovsk, and some of the more nationalist republics,'' said one Western diplomat who requested anonymity.

Still Gorbachev seemingly rode high as the crusading reformer early this year when in Feburary he persuaded the Communist Party to abandon its constitutional monopoly of power that had given it seven decades of unilateral rule. But the victory may have been Pyrrhic.

''He stripped the Communist Party of its legal monopoly, but they still own the place,'' said the diplomat, stressing that Communists still control the means of production under the Karl Marx classical definition of Communist power.

Even the multi-party regional elections that ousted Communists from city councils and republican Supreme Soviets in 1990 were not total victories. They

led to a counterattack by Communists who control the spigots of economic distribution.

Because Gorbachev refused to give up the leadership of the Communist Party, he can only stand by and watch this struggle and not intervene on the side of those whom the Western diplomat called ''the good guys.''

''Gorbachev still needs the party,'' the diplomat said. ''He can't stop the counterattack. The Communists are still there, and they are the ones that are controlling the industral-military complex, their stronghold.''

Gorbachev's second major political reform of 1990, the creation of what he styled a powerful presidency in March, also turned sour, boxing him into a corner. He now must win the approval of Communist bureaucrats not overly anxious to see their careers cut short.

''The higher his official status rose - first president of the presidium of the Supreme Soviet, then president of the Supreme Soviet and finally president of the Soviet Union - the lower his real significance and authority became,'' Izvestia commentator Yuri Burtin wrote.

As foreign accolades poured in to Gorbachev for ending the Cold War and reuniting Germany, at home republic after republic - 14 of the 15 at last count - declared itself and its laws sovereign, demanding in some cases like the three Baltic republics secession and total independence.

''And what of Gorbachev today?'' Izvestia's Burtin said. ''The leader of a party which resembles a car tire punctured in many places. The president ... of what? Of the union which practically does not exist any longer in its old sense.''

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BY KARIN DAVIES - UPI

LONDON (DEC. 14) UPI - Margaret Thatcher changed her country but she couldn't change herself and that, in the end, cost her the premiership of Britain.

Britain's longest serving prime minister this century gave way to the youngest - John Major, the man she wanted to succeed her although not for a few more years. She shed tears when she bowed to the inevitable Nov. 22 and told her Cabinet she would resign for ''the unity of the party and prospects for victory in a general election.''

Thatcher, 65, was one of the country's most respected, most ambitious and most reviled leaders.

The grocer's daughter who became a world figure, changed the course of British government and rekindled her country's international prestige.

The Conservative Party chief for 15 years led Britain to victory over Argentina in the 1982 Falklands War and helped end the Cold War.

On the domestic front, she made eradicating socialism from Britain her personal mission. Her governments carried out a sweeping denationalization of industry and services, curbed the power of left- wing labor unions, sold thousands of public housing units to their tenants and expanded London's role as a key international financial center.

With her ideological soul mate, Ronald Reagan, she helped shape the 1980s, and gave her name to a political philosophy - Thatcherism.

She accomplished it all through sheer grit and determination.

''You turn if you want to - the lady's not for turning,'' Thatcher said in 1980. And another oft-quoted philosophy of Britain's only woman prime minister: ''In politics, if you want anything said, ask a man. If you want anything done, ask a woman.''

Thatcher was once asked how she saw her role as in the Cabinet subcommittee responsible for her government's early privatizations. She was chairing the meeting, unusual for a prime minister. Did she want others to consider her the leader of a team? No, the coach driver whipping the horses, she said.

Finally, Thatcher's whipping boys revolted. Thatcher was brought down by a cabal of back benchers and former ministers, many of whom had suffered the wrath of the Iron Lady.

As The Economist observed, ''In her dozen years of power, Margaret Thatcher changed the face of Britain by the same method that led her in the end to her downfall - a bloody-minded determination to have her own way.''

The leader of the pack was Michael Heseltine, who resigned as Thatcher's defense secretary in 1986, accusing her of trying to undermine the Cabinet to win her way on a plan to save Britain's only helicopter maker.

He stalked her for four years, and when former Deputy Prime Minister Geoffrey Howe made a devastating resignation speech last month, Heseltine challenged her for the leadership of the party and the premiership.

On a first-round ballot Nov. 20, Thatcher won a simple majority but was four votes short of the 65 percent majority she needed for an outright victory: She got 204 votes to 152 for Heseltine with four abstentions.

The bad news was delivered to Thatcher at 6:30 p.m. at the British Embassy in

Paris, where she was attending a European summit meeting. Seven minutes later she committed herself to standing in the second round. ''I am actually very pleased that I got more than half the parliamentary party, but disappointed that it is not quite enough to win on the first ballot,'' she said. ''I shall let my name go forward.''

The next day, amid gathering clouds over her future, Thatcher said, ''I fight on, I fight to win.''

But that night, in private talks, 12 of 19 Cabinet miniters said she could not win. She was urged to withdraw by Thursday morning so that other candidates could declare and prevent Heseltine from winning.

''It's a funny old world,'' she started the conversation with each, ''that here I have won a majority of my party, and yet I feel I have to go.''

Her voice cracking with emotion, Thatcher announced her resignation after 11 1/2 years to her Cabinet at 9 a.m. Nov. 22.

A Heseltine supporter later said ''we were within three hours of victory.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - Less than two months after Congress approved the historic five-year, $496 billion deficit-cutting bill - at a political cost that will hound President Bush for a long time - the package is already threatened by world events.

The slumping economy, the increase in the price of oil, the military buildup in the Persian Gulf region and the continued bailout of the savings and loan industry all plague the short-term outlook for reducing the deficit.

In fact, the Congressional Budget Office predicted early this month that the deficit, $220 billion in the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30, will jump to a record $253 billion this year and $262 billion in 1992.

But CBO contends that by fiscal 1995, the federal deficit will fall below $100 billion for the first time in 14 years. The budget package targeted the following year as deficit-zero.

The huge deficits in the first two years - possibly more than $300 billion if the $60 billion and growing Social Security surplus is not used as an offset - were anticipated by Congress, but they never merited the attention of new taxes or cruel spending cuts.

In drafting the ambitious effort to stem federal spending, Congress adopted a major policy change under which the sheer size of the deficit - the main point

since the Gramm-Rudman budget law went into effect in 1985 - does not matter as much.

Instead Congress will shift to holding down its spending initiatives while allowing events beyond its control - a recession or the cost of Operation Desert Shield - to increase the deficit without forcing cuts in spending as the original Gramm-Rudman budget law did.

Congress will begin operating under this new policy when the Senate and House return for the 102nd Congress in January and, because the budget package sets out major spending and tax parameters, many hope that last year's bitter fight will be replaced by at least some years of relative peace.

Certainly, no one in the White House or on Capitol Hill wants a replay of the acrimonious agony that led to the five-year agreement.

Before it ended in the final days of October, Bush gulped his ''read my lips - no new taxes'' 1988 campaign theme and splintered the Republican party and Democrats were forced to vote for higher taxes on Joe Sixpack and costlier premiums for elderly on Medicare.

The debate ranged throughout the summer and fall - much of it in the secluded environs of Andrews Air Force Base in suburban Maryland, at the White House and behind closed doors in the Capitol.

White House chief of staff John Sununu and budget director Richard Darman - Bush stepped in at critical times - negotiatiated with top- level members of Congress and reached a summit agreement. The House promptly rejected it.

Faced with a second shutdown of the federal government and the possibility of draconian accross-the-board cuts in virtually all programs, Congress came up with a last-minute compromise that cleared the House 228-200 after a session that lasted all night and 54-45 in the Senate.

The final package raised the tax rate for the wealthiest Americans from 28 percent to 31 percent, a provision that the summit agreement did not include, and increased excise taxes on gasoline, beer, liquor, wine and cigarettes, as well as a 10 percent luxury tax on high-priced cars, furs and yachts.

The package cut $44.2 billion from the quickly growing Medicare program, but unlike the summit agreement, it mostly slashed payments to doctors and to hospitals - but it also increased the monthly premiums the elderly pay for health care.

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#90348u1202 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
BY CLAYTON NAFF - UPI

TOKYO (DEC. 14) UPI - Japanese traditionally welcome the new year with the tolling of bells, but in 1990 a certain bell set off a crash the likes of which had never been seen before in their nation.

The Tokyo Stock Exchange began falling from the opening bell of 1990 on a slide that would wipe out nearly half its value. By year's end, the whole economy was winding down, and some analysts said GNP growth next year would fall to 3 percent, half its projected 1990 level of up to 6 percent.

Historians may remember 1990 as the year that Japan's postwar economy, growing with the tireless efficiency of the robots it produces, took on a more human face.

Despite the signs of weakness, few worried that Japan would slip into recession, and many said the slowdown would be a welcome cooling off for the fevered economy.

''It's serious enough for Japan,'' said Robert Alan Feldman, an economist with Salomon Brothers Asia. But in contrast to the United States, he said, ''there will be no hard recession.''

On the political front, Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, who started the year triumphantly by leading his scandal-ridden Liberal Democratic Party to a thumping victory in February general elections, limped into December with his popularity and power eroded by his handling of the Gulf crisis.

Emperor Akihito, who had succeeded his father, Hirohito, nearly two years earlier, was formally enthroned in November in an ancient ceremony witnessed by representatives from 158 nations. He became the first emperor to ascend to the Chrysanthemum Throne under Japan's postwar constitution, which reduced the emperor from a living god to a mere symbol of the state.

Tokyo stock touts, after watching the bellwether Nikkei Index race up to a record close of 38,916 at the end of 1989, were predicting grand things for 1990.

But on Jan. 4, the first day of trading in the new year, the Nikkei began its historic plunge. By Oct. 2, the average price was down an eye-popping 48 percent at 20,221.86. It recovered slightly, but the market remained anemic at year end.

During the steepest fall in its history, the Tokyo stock market lost its status as the world's largest, and investors lost more than $2.6 trillion.

Gradually signs emerged that the stock market crash reflected some real problems in the economy. A worsening labor shortage - as many as 1. 4 jobs for every job-seeker - kept inflationary pressure high.

In response, the official Bank of Japan stuck to its tough monetary policy. It continued to crank up the nation's base interest rate from 2.5 percent in May 1989 to 6 percent by Aug. 30, where it stayed for the rest of the year.

When banks and real estate firms cried ''ouch,'' the bank's governor, Yasushi Mieno, growled back that he would welcome a gradual 20 to 30 percent fall in real estate prices.

Japan's fevered property market gradually softened, raising fears of a global financial catastrophe should Japan's land bubble burst.

With such troubles at home, the torrent of Japanese money flowing overseas shrank to a stream - from $192 billion in 1989 to $128 billion in 1990.

Recession in the United States caused Japanese exports to slip while higher oil prices ratcheted up inflation.

Export growth fell from 15.7 percent in 1989 to 7.7 percent in 1990, according to estimates by the Bank of Tokyo.

Import growth was projected to drop from 19.3 percent to 12.0 percent in 1990. The bank forecast that trade, especially imports, would tail off even further in 1991.

As a result, Japan's trade surplus fell from $53 billion in 1989 to $33 billion in 1990, Sumitomo Life Research Institute estimated.

The trade surplus, a target of U.S. congressional wrath, may rise slightly in 1991 because of exchange-rate fluctuations, but with a recession all but official in America, no real growth in the surplus can be expected, analysts said.

The Persian Gulf crisis, although not nearly as devastating as the oil shocks in the 1970s, added to Japan's inflation and cut demand for Japanese products overseas.

Some economists believe a slowdown was just what Japan's economy needed.

GNP growth in 1990, calculated at 5.0 percent, overshot the ideal mark by a full percentage point, said Masao Susaki, chief of economic research at the Bank of Tokyo. In 1991, GNP growth is expected come just shy of the mark at 3.8 percent.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - The bankrupt Latin Investment Corp. has become the

subject of a formal investigation by the Securities and Exchange Commission, The Washington Post reported Friday.

The SEC, whose mandate when broadly interpreted includes protecting investors, subpoenaed the financial records of Latin Investment and two related businesses, unidentified sources told the newspaper. An SEC official contacted Friday could not comment on the newspaper report.

U.S. District Court Judge S. Martin Teel Jr. accepted a request to appoint an interim trustee to protect assets of Latin Investment, which are estimated to be in the millions of dollars. The bankruptcy petition was filed Wednesday by Latin Investment depositors under Chapter 7 of federal bankruptcy law.

Should the SEC find that Latin Investment violated securities law by accepting customers' money and investing it in return for an interest payment, it could freeze all assets, appoint a receiver to take control of the company and return to depositors what they are owed, Ted Levine, a securities lawyer, told the newspaper.

Harvey Pitt, a former general counsel to the SEC, said the agency probably would not have chosen to investigate the case if it did not believe "there was someone with deep pockets" from whom to recover funds. More than 2,000 customers of Latin Investment have come forward to show records of deposits after the company shut down Nov. 29.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - The battlelines are drawn, the personnel is in place and millions have been spent in the preparation. The chief questions left are when to attack, who will be the victims, and, most important, will the people back their leaders?

The Persian Gulf in late December? No, just American politics at the end of 1990.

After the final sound bite, negative advertisement and public opinion poll, the 1990 off-year elections produced relatively little change. But most political observers saw this election as only a first battle in the real fight to be waged over the next two years.

And that fight will be marked by voter disgust, congressional reapportionment and the looming presidential campaign in 1992.

Voter rebellion - the ''throw the rascals out'' attitude - was supposed to be the hidden factor, the unknown that incumbents feared, in the November elections.

When the voting was done, little seemed to change on the surface. In the House Republicans lost only nine seats, a relatively small drop in an off-year election for the party holding the White House.

Only one seat in the Senate changed hands when long-shot college professor Paul Wellstone, a Democrat, beat Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, R-Minn. Both parties apparently dropped a governor's seat to independents - Walter Hickel in Alaska and Lowell Weicker in Connecticut. Republicans led in Arizona but a runoff will be needed in February.

Under the surface, however, there were strong indications voters were upset and were in no mood for politics as usual. House incumbents from both parties across the country won with lower percentages of votes than in past elections. Many figures such as Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., and Gov. Mario Cuomo, D-N.Y., barely could get 50 percent of the vote against token opposition.

While the total number of governors stayed about the same for each party, there were major shakeups in key states. Democrats Ann Richards and Lawton Chiles took over GOP-held seats in Texas and Florida, while Republicans won control of many Democratic state house in the Midwest Rust Belt region.

''For both parties to lose ground is unprecendented,'' said William Schneider, a political analyst for the American Enterprise Institute. ''It is a warning. Members of Congress stand warned that voters are unhappy.''

''The past few years have been a time of government bashing, a time of scandal and a time of perception of government stalemate and disarray, and a time of economic downtown,'' said Thomas Mann, director of governmental studies at the Brookings Institution. ''Under those circumstances, we shouldn't be surprised that the public is disenchanted.''

Most political observers say voter dissatisfaction is there and will grow or lessen depending on two issues - the Persian Gulf and the economy.

A suitable resolution of the first and an upturn in the second might lessen the concern, although bad news in either case will almost certainly make the public more restless and could cause extensive political fallout.

Limiting terms in office is one way voter disgust could register in the coming decade. California and Colorado passed versions of term limitation this year, and some Republicans leaders including President Bush, Vice President Dan Quayle and California Gov.-elect Pete Wilson have endorsed the idea.

''Like apple pie and motherhood, term limitation is unbeatable in American politics,'' says Mann. ''If it is brought to the electorate, it will be successful.''

More such initiatives are expected on the state and local level, although most

political analysts believe federal term limitation will not happen since such a move would require a constitutional amendment which Congress would be unlikely to approve.

Hovever, the pressure from the public might produce some reform in campaign laws, an effort which died in the last Congress.

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#90348u1220 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

UPI - When the new decade began last Jan. 1, the coming year was widely regarded as a make-or-break period for both sides on the abortion debate, the emotional political and moral issue that had already divided the issue for 17 years.

By year's end, however, neither opponents nor supporters could claim victory, and most Americans - according to the polls taken throughout the year - remained generally in support of legal abortion in at least some instances while deeply ambivalent about the morality of the issue.

But 1990 did mark a decisive shift in where the political battle over who decides on abortion would be fought as well as a shift on the part of abortion foes to a ''salami strategy'' of imposing piecemeal restrictions and abandoning - for the time being - the grand plan to overturn the 1973 Supreme Court ruling that made most abortions legal.

The shift followed the Supreme Court's July 1989 ruling giving states much more power to regulate abortion - a ruling hailed by abortion foes who have long maintained that public opinion is with them at the local level and that state legislatures would move quickly to supress legal abortion.

Florida provided the first test when Republican Gov. Bob Martinez called a special session of the state Legislature in October 1989 to consider a host of proposed restrictions.

But the Democratic-controlled Legislature sharply rebuffed Martinez, meeting for a little more than a day before rejecting any new limits on abortion in the state.

While supporters of the abortion option rejoiced in the Florida victory, opponents quickly moved on to other states - notably Michigan, Louisiana, Pennsylvania and Idaho, where the state legislatures were more sympathetic.

In Idaho, after a tough and bitter debate, the state Legislature in March passed a sweeping anti-abortion bill that backers hoped would be the vehicle to challenge Roe vs. Wade, the 1973 law making most abortions legal.

But Gov. Cecil Andrus, after publicly agonizing over the bill for a week and

facing the threat of a nationwide Idaho potato boycott, finally vetoed the measure.

Louisiana, after a strange, middle-of-the night, end-of-the-session meeting followed a similar scenario, with the legislators twice passing tough restrictions on abortion and Gov. Buddy Roemer twice vetoing the bills.

Defying pundits and political strategists who claimed the political momentum had shifted on the issue and that the Supreme Court had awakened a ''sleeping giant'' among supporters of legal abortion, the National Right to Life Committee called a massive rally in April that saw some 200,000 abortion foes gather in Washington for perhaps the largest anti-abortion rally ever.

And, as the year wore on, abortion opponents won several victories at the state level, notably in Michigan with passage of a law requiring girls under 17 to get a parent's or a judge's permission for an abortion despite a veto by Democratic Gov. James Blanchard.

Sweeping restrictions were also passed in Pennsylvania and, unnoticed by both sides, in Guam. In Pennsylvania, much of the law was struck down by a federal judge, but state Attorney General Ernest Preate Jr. said he would appeal the ruling and thus set up, as abortion foes hope, a Supreme Court showdown that could be the vehicle for overturning the right to legal abortion.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 14) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.43-2.50 3/4 off 1 1/2 to up 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.83 1/4- 5.86 1/4 up 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.26 1/2-2.29 1/2 up 1 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.36 1/2-2.38 1/2 off 3 1/2 to 1 1/4.

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BY MICHAEL MOLINSKI - UPI

(DEC. 14) UPI - No Berlin walls crumbled, no iron curtains were lifted and no Stalinist dictators were executed, but the changes that took place in Latin America in 1990 were nonetheless just as drastic as those that have transpired

in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union.

For Latin America, 1990 meant the end of dictatorships, Marxism and protectionist trade and the rebirth of democracy and beginning of increased economic integration with each other and the rest of the world.

It was a year of endings, but it has given way to a bright future in which development without exploitation is beginning to take shape.

''In 1989, we never could have imagined such profound and unpredictable changes,'' Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez said during President Bush's visit to his country on Dec. 7. ''1990 has been the year of transition for numerous countries to freedom and democracy.''

But Perez was careful to warn, ''There is nothing so difficult as these times of transition, nor as dangerous and full of risks.''

In 1990, Nicaragua ended more than a decade of leftist rule by the Sandinista National Liberation Front, and the Contra rebels lay down their arms after nine years of civil war.

In Chile, Patricio Aylwin was elected president, replacing military leader Augusto Pinochet and ending South America's last dictatorship.

In Brazil, one civilian president succeeded another for the first time since a 1964 coup that ushered in 21 years of military rule.

Mexico and the United States signed a historic free trade agreement that sets the stage for similar accords around the Western Hemisphere.

Throughout Latin America, privatization of government-run industries and opening up of trade barriers began to replace socialist markets and protectionist trade as the popular policies of the day.

In short, Latin America moved away from conflict and toward economic development, although the process still has a long way to go on both fronts.

Central America's last continuing war is still raging in El Salvador, as was made tragically clear by a rebel offensive in November that left hundreds of rebels, civilians and soldiers dead.

Communist rebels still dominate the interior of Peru, killing intruders daily.

Drug lords continue to rule Colombia despite efforts by its president and by the United States to bring them to justice.

In Haiti, Guatemala, El Salvador and other countries, human rights abuses continue to leave hundreds of people dead and pump fear into their respective

populations.

Rebellions and uprisings by left-wing groups, right-wing groups, mutinous military officers, religious cults and others continue to breed instability in much of Latin America.

Such insurrections over the past year have threatened some of the region's most developed democracies, like Argentina, as well as some of the smallest and poorest nations, like Trinidad. They demonstrate all too clearly that despite the forward strides, there is not a government in Latin America that is not without its share of fragility.

One prominent exception to the changes sweeping the region is Cuba, and all eyes are focused now on the communist government of Fidel Castro to see if his own Berlin Wall is showing signs of crumbling.

Castro's regime appears solid, but as Bush predicted in a recent news conference, ''Eastern Europe returned democracy to itself, and someday the Cuban people will return democracy to themselves.''

For the United States, the changes in Latin America mean a shift in policy and a different way of looking at its hemispheric partners.

''The United States is putting more emphasis on Latin America now,'' said a U.S. diplomat in the region. ''Basically (the changes) mean a new U.S. approach to Latin America - a more economic approach.

''We've overcome the Central American obstacle,'' the diplomat said. ''Central America is no longer the top priority for U.S. Latin American policy. Eveybody is talking about Eastern Europe now. They need help too, but Latin America is in our hemisphere.''

Bush's year-end trips to Mexico and South America demonstrated the new importance the United States is placing on the region, but his failure during the trip to grant significant trade and debt assistance to the region was enough to warn leaders to be wary of his intentions within his ''initiative for the Americas.''

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BY JEFFREY K. PARKER - UPI

BEIJING (DEC. 14) UPI - The imagery seemed a propagandist's dream: the Communist Party politburo exuding socialist ardor as they hacked the frozen earth at a Beijing irrigation project, their laboring breath clouding white against an azure winter sky.

Then, to make sure that the message was not lost, the premier and party chief, two of China's least-loved men, lay down their shovels and browbeat the gathered peasants with yet another call for stability, unity, hard work and love of the great Communist Party.

The choppy, home video-style footage topped the state-run national television news, taking nearly 10 minutes of Chinese prime time.

Pictures and stories about the early December ditch-digging also emblazoned the front page of the party's flagship People's Daily and most other newspapers.

But ask jaded Beijing residents what they think about such communist public relations offensives and expect heads to shake.

''They looked like a bunch of idiots,'' one said with a sneer.

''Sorry, but I never watch the television news,'' said another. ''It's a waste of time.''

Many say the same thing about China's stultifying newspapers.

Eighteen months after ordering a massacre it hoped would crush a nation's yearning for liberty, the Communist Party suffers a serious image problem stemming as much from the brutality of the crackdown as from the flimsiness of its leaders' claims to legitimacy as rulers of China's 1.1 billion people.

Each leader's legitimacy rests almost solely on webs of alliances with ailing senior patriarch Deng Xiaoping and a handful of other wheezing and semi-incapacitated octogenarian revolutionaries - all of them the objects of an obsessive national death watch.

Deng, 86, added uncertainty to the formula by dropping from public sight in July, prompting waves of rumors about his declining health.

The government insists that Deng is happily enjoying his retirement, but by unconfirmed reports the architect of China's decade-old economic modernization may be too feeble to sign his name or speak intelligibly, not to mention elucidate his vision of China's future.

Still, no other leader commands the political clout needed to overrule Deng's coupling of relative economic liberalism with strict social controls - the authoritarianism that mandated the June 1989 army assault on Beijing's Tiananmen Square that crushed China's democracy movement.

Lacking the independent political skill and public respect needed to rule China with their own enlightened vision, the hard-line leaders have been reduced to ruling by coercion, exhortation and intimidation.

Despite the January lifting of the martial law imposed during Tiananmen Spring security actually intensified in the capital during spring 1990 as the city braced for anniversaries of key democracy movement events and the June 4 massacre itself.

Heavy-handed security finally peaked during the Beijing Asian Games in September and October, when by official accounts more than 600,000 police and other security workers were deployed in the city.

The Asian Games itself, touted as a showcase of the nation's modernization, is remembered chiefly as a display of self-conscious excess.

China spent a half-billion dollars hosting its first international sporting extravaganza, but took the fun out of it with draconian controls that put the people of Beijing under virtual house arrest.

''Security Is Unity'' was the official slogan in April during the bloody suppression of separatist rioting in Xinjiang, a restive Moslem region in far western China. Martial law was lifted in April in sensitive Tibet, but tough administrative rules have kept a lid on separatist movements there.

The image-conscious leadership has wielded China's media like a blunt instrument in its efforts to win support, haranguing the public with a string of ideological campaigns that at times seem borrowed wholesale from the chaotic Cultural Revolution of 1966-76.

Hundreds of thousands have been arrested and hundreds executed this year in the heavily promoted ''Hit Hard'' campaign against crime, the ''Sweep up Pornography'' effort and the year-old assault on China's ''six evils'' - prostitution, the selling of women and children, narcotics, superstition, gambling and pornography.

China's economy was something of a bright spot in 1990, boasting steady growth low inflation, bumper harvests and healthy foreign trade, although the gains seem to have come as much despite government policies as because of them.

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UPI - Brazil's 41-year-old president is nicknamed ''Indiana Jones.'' When not at his desk or out railing against entrenched interests - overprotected businesses, and overblown state bureaucracies - he is jogging, sailing and practicing karate.

Alberto Fujimori, 52, campaigned for the presidency of Peru by posing as a Samurai warrior, though he speaks only halting Japanese that he learned from his immigrant parents and speaks French and English much better.

When inaugurated on July 28, Fujimori broke precendent by declining to name a single member of his own Change 90 political party to the Cabinet, a sign that he is an independent in fact and not just rhetoric.

Argentina's President Carlos Menem, 60, like Collor, is an avid sportsman who exults in arranging highly publicized tennis matches with the likes of President Bush and Argentine 1990 U.S. Open champion Gabriela Sabattini.

Menem also enjoys flying airplanes, racing cars and boats, and playing basketball and soccer with Argentina's national stars. He wears his sideburns outrageously long, the hairstyle of the late Facundo Quiroga, a famous 19th-century governor of Menem's home province of La Rioja.

Despite their antics, political mavericks Menem, Collor and Fujimori represent a new style of Latin American leadership that will take their nations into the 1990s.

While modern and non-conformist in lifestye, in economic policy they are very much in the mainstream, leading their nations away from decades of nationalism protectionism and inflationary economic policies toward a new era of attracting private investment and international competition.

Instead of the old rhetoric about nationalizing large private companies, Latin America's new leaders talk about ''debt swaps,'' selling state companies, most of which lose money, to private investors while at the same time lowering their nations' overall debt exposure.

Instead of the once favorite practice of ''Yanqui bashing,'' Latin America's new leaders have welcomed Bush's plan for the eventual construction of a Western Hemisphere free trade zone, what Bush calls ''a vision of the largest market in the world,'' that will take years of patient negotiations to become a reality.

Bush unveiled the Western Hemisphere free trade plan on June 27 and got personalized, high-level support for the idea in a whirlwind trip in December to Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay, Chile and Venezuela.

For Chile and Argentina, such a visit is so rare - discouraged in past decades by either hostility of the populations and leadership or indifference on the part of Washington - that Bush was the first U.S. head of state in 30 years to visit those two countries. Uruguay was last host to a U.S. president 27 years ago when Lyndon Johnson attended a conference of the Organization of American States in Punta del Este.

The 19th-century liberator and visionary Simon Bolivar tried unsuccessfully to establish a form of north-south Western Hemisphere cooperation at the 1826 Panama conference, attended only by Mexico, Colombia, Peru and Central

America. The United States then was conspicuous by its absence.

It may well turn out that Bolivar was simply 154 years ahead of his time.

The new generation of Latin American leaders now talks the same language as Washington - pragmatism, efficiency, democracy, and market economics - opening the possibility of forging together the Americas with much closer economic and political ties, despite differences of language, religion and heritage.

The pioneer in the changing relationship is America's closest Latin neighbor, Mexico. At the age of 42, President Carlos Salinas de Gortari, a Harvard Ph.D. is liberalizing Mexico's foreign investment laws and selling off money-losing state companies, such as the airlines, mines, the telephone system and state banks.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 14) UPI - A reputed major cocaine trafficker and successor to the ''king'' of the Bolivian cocaine trade has been charged with 30 felonies stemming from drug ports he allegedly held in the U.S., Bolivia, Colombia, Panama and Mexico, authorities said Friday.

Jorge Roca-Suarez, 38, was arrested Thursday at his plush 19-room house in the affluent suburb of San Marino, U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration spokesman Ralph Lochridge said.

Roca is charged with 18 criminal counts in an indictment unsealed Friday in San Diego and faces an additional 12 counts from a separate complaint expected to be unsealed in Los Angeles later in the day, officials said.

The indictments accuse Roca of ''being a principle leader of a continuing criminal enterprise,'' which carries a mandatory life- without-parole prison term, and of conspiring to manufacture, possess and distribute narcotics, Lochridge said.

''We're accusing him of having his own international cocaine trafficking organization,'' Lochridge said. He said Roca's organization was known as the ''Santa Ana Cartel.''

''He was operating in the United States, Bolivia, Colombia, Panama and Mexico '' Lochridge said.

Roca's wife, Beatriz Roca-Torres, 40, also was arrested Thursday in Monterey Park, Calif.

Julius Beretta, an agent in charge of the San Diego office of the DEA told the Los Angeles Times that Roca was ''one of the most significant cocaine

traffickers in the United States, on par with a Medellin or Cali cartel leader.''

Roca is the nephew of Roberto Suarez Gomez, who is currently serving a 15-year sentence in Bolivia on drug charges.

Suarez, the patriarch of a respected cattle-ranching family, became known in the 1970s and early 1980s as the ruler of Bolivia's biggest cocaine-trafficking empire and the ''king of cocaine'' in that country.

DEA officials said Roca had already taken over the drug operation by dealing on his own with the Colombian drug cartels, supplying them with semi-refined cocaine paste at prices lower than those charged by his uncle.

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BY JACK REED - UPI

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 14) UPI - Nearly a year after President Frederik de Klerk launched a daring racial reform program and pledged to abolish apartheid, hopes for a rapid and peaceful end to the country's racial crisis are floundering in a wave of bloodshed.

Hardly a day goes by without more killings in the townships as rival Zulu and Xhosa factions clash with hatchets, axes, spears and guns. The local services in many black areas have collapsed, crime is up, and the numbers of jobless and homeless are soaring.

''I'm still hopeful because the status quo was unacceptable,'' said former member of Parliament Helen Suzman, a white opponent of the National Party's apartheid policies who retired last year. ''We had to change, but I honestly can't say I'm bursting with optimism.''

The carnage that exploded in the densely populated, impoverished urban black townships surrounding Johannesburg complicated and largely overshadowed the reformist efforts of de Klerk, who pledged to create a ''totally new South Africa'' and rid it of apartheid.

South Africa's Institute of Race Relations described the violence as the grimmest ever and said more than 1,500 had died since August.

De Klerk stunned the country when he unveiled his reform program at the opening session of parliament in February. Vowing to lead South Africa back into the community of nations and mindful of the tremendous changes across Eastern Europe, he announced the release from 27 years' imprisonment of black leader Nelson Mandela as the linchpin of the plan.

At the same time, he unbanned the African National Congress, the South African Communist Party and the radical Pan Africanist Congress, and imposed a moratorium on executions. All these steps were intended to meet the ANC's conditions for joining the country's white minority at the negotiating table.

''The season of violence is over,'' the 54-year-old president said. ''The time for reconstruction and reconciliation has arrived.''

With his dramatic announcements, de Klerk had put South African society largely on two parallel but insulated tracks, according to University of Cape Town political professor Robert Schrire. On the one side is the white minority and the black elite moving ever closer to formal negotiations on a new constitution, on the other the vast black majority in the nation's townships.

''There are two report cards for 1990,'' Schrire said, ''a clear failure for the black community at large but a fairly hopeful report card for the white and black elite that since February has made quite stunning progress.''

Critics warned that de Klerk was unleashing powerful and unpredictable forces, but he won kudos from around the world for recognizing that there was no alternative. Much to the ANC's consternation, the international sanctions against Pretoria began to crumble.

De Klerk went further than even some of his advisers had expected, and over the next eight months he moved closer to meeting all the ANC's conditions. He lifted a nationwide state of emergency and agreed in principle to release an estimated 3,000 political prisoners and to facilitate the return of as many as 20,000 South Africans in exile.

In exchange, he secured from the ANC a decision to suspend its guerrilla war, which Mandela helped form three decades ago to force Pretoria to the negotiating table once all ''peaceful'' forms of protest were closed.

De Klerk insisted that negotiations and further reform could not proceed as long as a climate of violence hung over the country. The pledged prisoner releases lurched forward, then halted. The exiles, scheduled to begin returning in October, did not.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 14) UPI - Saeb Erakat is frustrated by another year of spiraling violence, fear and distrust between Palestinians and Israelis and the prospect of more deaths before peace comes.

A self-described Palestinian moderate, Erakat laments a year in which a right-wing Israeli government put the peace process on ice, an attempted seaborne infiltration by Palestinian guerrillas cut short the U.S.-PLO

dialogue and hundreds of thousands of Jewish immigrants competed for land, water and work.

''Peace doesn't have eyes. Peace doesn't have a mouth, a heart. We are the ones who can provide peace with the eyes, a mouth, a heart,'' said Erakat, pounding his fist against his chest. ''And peace needs nothing more than a desire. Nothing.

''It doesn't hurt to hope,'' he said.

For Israelis, 1990 found their country battered and besieged politically and financially. The hope Israelis forsaw in the wave of immigration - nearly 200,000 newcomers, mostly Soviet Jews, compared with 12,000 in 1989 - also turned to frustration over housing shortages and economic worries.

Attacks against Israelis rose since the Oct. 8 Temple Mount slayings of more than a dozen Palestinians by Israeli police. Revenge stabbing attacks by Arabs and border incidents killed at least 15 Israelis.

Regardless of their political affiliations, more and more Israelis began looking over their shoulders. Asked by a friend how he was doing, one Israeli living in Jerusalem nonchalantly responded, ''at least I haven't been stabbed yet.''

Relations between Israel and its No. 1 ally, the United States, turned chilly in 1990. Analysts who describe the current state of U.S.- Israeli relations as ''abysmal'' cite the stalemated peace process, reverberations from the Persian Gulf crisis and the clash of personalities between Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and President Bush.

''America is much more in need of an alliance with the Saudis, Egypt and Syria at this point in time than an alliance with us,'' said Hirsh Goodman, editor of The Jerusalem Report, a new English-language weekly journal.

Israel is a ''strategic asset (U.S. officials) are not going to jeopardize,'' Goodman said. But the Bush administration will not go out of its way to when Israeli policy flies in the face of U.S. policy.

On Shamir's relations with U.S. officials, Goodman said, ''They think he's a liar. They don't trust him and they feel betrayed by him.''

The betrayal stems from Israel's shunning of Secretary of State James Baker's efforts to bring about an Israeli-Palestinian dialogue and Shamir's strong belief in the idea of a Greater Israel. Shamir gained strength when the Likud-Labor coalition collapsed over the peace process, and the Israeli prime minister created a government of right- wing and religious parties.

Maintaining his hard line, Shamir reaffirmed in November his government's

commitment to an Israel stretching ''from the sea to the Jordan River'' to guarantee the nation's territorial integrity for ''future generations and the mass immigration.'' The reality is that an estimated 100,000 Jews live in the West Bank and Gaza Strip along with more than 1.7 million Palestinians.

''We were left empty-handed,'' Erakat said of the stalled peace process. ''We were left with daggers in our backs as moderates. We were betrayed by the world, especially by the United States.''

Israel's no-compromise policy led to an ideology of despair among Palestinians which in turn sparked a rise in fundamentalism, concluded a report written by Israel's Civil Administration in the occupied territories.

''The political stalemate during the third year of the uprising without any compromise in sight for the near future caused a decrease in the power of PLO activists in the region, since their ideology of a political solution is perceived by the (Palestinian) public as unfruitful,'' the report said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1022.3
Thursday	1020.5
Week ago	1017.2
Month ago	1025.9
Year ago	1065.2
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1007.8

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#90348u1262 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

SUN CITY, Calif. (DEC. 14) UPI - Federico Padres Mexia, the spiritual leader of a religious group whose members were found dead in Tijuana, talked of conversations with God but otherwise kept his neighbors guessing.

Mexican state police Commandante Jose Nunez said Mexia, 72, was the leader of a faith-healing group in the unicorporated Riverside County community of 10,375.

To his neighbors on the quiet street of small new homes where he lived for about two years, he was a slightly eccentric man named Fred who slipped away to Tijuana for months at a time and boasted of lucrative business deals in Mexico.

Mexia remained in a coma Friday. His wife and his lover were among 12 people

found dead in what was an apparent asphixiation from a leaking butane lamp.

Mexia's Sun City neighbors, some of them only beginning to make the connection between the Fred they knew and the Federico of Tijuana, said he and his wife had apparently separated.

His house was for sale but there were few interested buyers, neighbors said.

Although Mexia often mentioned conversations with God and disappeared for months at a time to Tijuana, they did not suspect his religious activity.

''He wasn't one that you would want to have a conversation with,'' said Casper Hammer, who lived across the street.

''It was like you weren't talking to a rational person,'' Hammer said, adding that Mexia often referred to ''fantastic'' Mexican business deals involving thousands of dollars.

Hammer said Maxia was apparently an experienced cement worker and had talked about building low-income housing with cinderblocks.

Two neighbors said Mexia told them about talking to God did not attempt to recruit them into his religious activities.

''He said God talked to him or God wanted him to do this or that,'' Hammer said. ''It was just a bunch of mumbo-jumbo.''

Another neighbor, Barbara Myers, remembered Mexia as ''really far out.''

''He was so weird in his religous stuff and he'd just fiddle with things and let his whole yard go to pot,'' she said.

Neighbors said they did not see religious articles in or around Mexia's home.

Hammer said he was in the house recently with friends who were interested in renting it and found the place was tidy despite Mexia's absences of up to eight months at a stretch.

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department, which patrols Sun City, had no reports of criminal or unusual activity at the residence and the District Attorney's Office had no record of cases against Mexia.

Mexia had several grown sons who sometimes visited the Sun City home but the house was empty Friday following the tragedy, neighbors said.

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#90348u1266 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

TIJUANA, MEXICO (DEC. 14) UPI - Autopsy reports on 12 people who died during a religious ceremony concluded the deaths were caused by a gas leak from a butane lamp, a police spokeswoman said Friday.

The leak also rendered five other people comatose, a Baja California State Police spokeswoman said.

''The fifth victim seems to be responding, but we cannot confirm it,'' the spokeswoman said.

The bodies were found Thursday just before noon in a circle in a five-bedroom wooden home east of downtown Tijuana, which borders San Diego, by a relative looking for families after a night of chanting.

Police identified the bodies of two men and four women but the identities of two other women and four children were incomplete. Police said the deaths occurred between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Thursday.

Police initially reported that six members of the unknown religious sect were comatose.

Some survivors told police they fainted after a spice candle was lit during the ceremony.

''They met to partake in religious rites and were burning a fragrant spice candle when all at once they fainted and did not recover consciousness until after they were brought to the hospital,'' a Baja California Police spokesman told reporters Friday.

Among those comatose are the 72-year spiritual leader of the sect and a 4-month-old girl found in her dead mother's arms.

State Police Commander Jaime San Fierro said Federico Mejia, the spiritual leader, was in a coma and that his wife and his lover were dead.

''Investigations indicate that Mejia had recently come back from the United States where he had lived for some time. Relatives of the victims say Mejia had been giving spiritual masses for about a month at the house where the bodies were found,'' San Fierro said. ''The rituals were aimed at curing people.''

Neighbors said noisy late-night prayer meetings were held recently in the house. Witnesses said the group chanted and prayed long into the night on at least three occasions, including Wednesday night.

The dead were slumped in chairs and on the floor of the white stucco home in an area of the La Presa neighborhood about 6 miles east of downtown Tijuana.

Grieving friends and relatives were kept outside by police as the dead were loaded into ambulances and vans.

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#90348u1274 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Fitch Investors Service said Friday it has lowered the credit trends of General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co., and their respective finance subsidiaries to "negative" from "stable."

The changes reflect the worsening in the domestic operating environment for U.S. automakers, which was greater than expected, the credit rating agency said. This is translating into lower sales and a faster deterioration in their financial performance.

Fitch said the lower credit trend indicates its opinion of GM and Ford's financial performance during the next 12 to 18 months But the "AA" senior debt ratings for GM and General Motors Acceptance Corp., and the "AA-" senior debt ratings for Ford and Ford Motor Credit Co., remained unchanged, it said.

Despite the difficulties in North American automotive operations for GM and Ford, their respective auto finance subsidiaries continue to show good performance, in part because of easing interest rates and competitive conditions, Fitch said.

However, as the operations of both GMAC and Ford Credit are so closely linked to their parents' automotive businesses, their credit trends reflect those of their owners.

Both GM and Ford are expected to post substantial losses for the fourth quarter ended Dec. 31 because of lower production and sales, higher marketing costs and competition, sagging consumer confidence and Mideast tensions.

Last summer, Fitch and several other ratings agencies lowered the senior debt ratings of Chrysler Financial Corp., the financial unit of third-ranked Chrysler Corp.

Earlier this week, Chrysler confirmed it was exploring the possibility of selling a minority stake in CFC to help the unit raise money, since the lower ratings essentially shut it out of the lending market. CFC accounted for about 80 percent of Chrysler's overall profits last year.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 7.93

60 to 89 days 7.66

90 to 119 days 7.49

120 to 149 days 7.44

150 to 179 days 7.34

180 to 270 days 7.24

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.75 - 7.30

Issuers 30 days 7.47

Issuers 90 days 7.24

Issuers 270 days 6.90

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.25

60 to 89 days 7.90

90 to 119 days 7.81

120 to 149 days 7.77

150 to 179 days 7.74

180 days 7.67

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.25 - 7.375

1 month 8 1-16 - 8 3-16

3 month 7.75 - 7.875

6 month 7.625 - 7.75

Year 7 9-16 - 7 11-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 6.85 - 6.83

6 months 6.76 - 6.74

Year 6.65 - 6.63

Federal Funds: High 7 1/4, Low 7 3-16, Close 7 1/4

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.289 off 0.004.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90348u1284 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - The dollar strengthened in New York trading Friday on fears the United States and Iraq were headed for war instead of a diplomatic deal on Kuwait, and on inflation news pointing to firm U.S. interest rates.

Currency traders said there was a return to pre-weekend dollar-buying on the perception that U.S. patience was growing short with Iraq in preliminary talks as to when officials of the countries should meet on Kuwait.

Some market players thought President Bush, who scheduled a news conference, might deliver an ultimatum. But although he said he would not sit still for Iraqi manipulation, his comments were not openly bellicose.

Bank of Tokyo senior customer dealer John Lyman reported early dollar-buying on the back of the morning's higher-than-expected producer price index, which measures wholesale inflation. Participants speculated that sign of persistent inflation might slow the Federal Reserve's credit easing.

Late in the New York session, the dollar was trading at 1.4830 German marks, up from 1.4788 marks Thursday, and at 132.85 Japanese yen, up from 132.20. The British pound weakened, selling at $1.9355 vs. $1.9450.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2735 Swiss francs, up from 1.2670; 5.0420 French francs, up from 5.0255; and 1,120.50 Italian lire, ahead from 1,115.

Senior strategist Marc Chandler of IDEA, a New York consulting firm, said he saw market sentiment shifting back to war concerns, which eased last month on Bush's offer to send a high-level emissary to Iraq.

The rising tone between Washington and Baghdad over a date for peace talks is "a big positive for the dollar," Chandler said. Any signs of progress towards peaceful resolution, consequently, will hurt the dollar.

In Europe, the dollar closed higher as investors took refuge from uncertainty in the Persian Gulf and a new perception in the market that U.S. interest rates wil hold steady for the time being.

Gulf uncertainty "tends to give the dollar support on Fridays, because nobody knows what's going to happen over the weekend," explained Avinash Persaud, a currency analyst at UBS Phillips and Drew in London. U.S. indicators created the perception in the market that the Federal Reserve will maintain short-term rates, he added.

The U.S. currency also took comfort Friday from hopes that a Group of Seven meeting due in January will be an obstacle to its slide.

In Frankfurt, the dollar closed higher at 1.4813 German marks against 1.4792 Thursday. In Zurich, it ended at 1.2715 Swiss francs, up from 1.2635. In London, the pound slipped to $1.9405, from 1.9440.

The dollar gained in Paris, Brussels and Milan, ending at 5.039 French francs from 5.0160; 30.75 Belgian francs vs. 30.64; and 1,117.35 lire vs. 1,113.60.

In Tokyo earlier, the dollar gained on the yen on speculation that Japanese banks would need to buy dollars to cover their writeoffs of Venezuelan loans. The U.S. unit ended at 131.87 yen vs. 131.30 yen.

In Zurich, gold closed higher at $373.50 an ounce vs. $371.50 Thursday. In London, gold moved up to $373.25 an ounce from $372.25.

Silver in Zurich closed unchanged at $4.00 an ounce, and in London it slipped to $3.98 from $4.00 Thursday.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $376.75 an ounce, up from $373.50 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled gold contracts

at $376.70 an ounce, ahead from $374.30.

Republic closed cash silver at $3.935 an ounce, off from $4.025. Comex silver closed at $3.937 an ounce, down from $4.006.

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#90348u1290 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	67 5-8	off	1-2
AT&T Company	30 5-8	off	3-8
BCE Inc	34 1-2	off	1-8
Bell Atlantic	55	off	1-4
BellSouth Corp	54 5-8	off	1-8
Exxon Corp	50 3-4	up	1-4
Ford Motor Co	25 1-4	off	1-2
Genl Electric	55 3-8	off	1
General Motors	33 1-8	off	1 1-8
GTE Corp	30 1-8	off	1-4
IBM Corp	111 1-8	off	1 3-4
Mobil Oil Corp	57 1-8	up	5-8
Nynex Corp	73 1-4	off	2 1-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24 1-4	unch	
Pacific Telesis	45 7-8	off	3-8
Phila Electric	17 3-8	up	1-8
Sears Roebuck	26 1-2	off	1-4
Southern Co	27 1-4	up	1-8
Sthwestern Bell	56 1-4	unch	
US West Inc	38 5-8	unch	

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#90348u1293 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 14) UPI - An Australian unit of Murdoch Magazines said Friday it has ceased publishing Savvy magazine after only three issues because of a downturn in the Australian economy.

Circulation at the magazine, geared toward young women, exceeded expectations, but advertising did not materialize, Sydney-based Murdoch Magazines PTY Ltd. said in a statement. "Advertisers have run for cover with the dramatic downturn in the overall economy," said Matt Handbury, managing director.

"Savvy has fallen victim to the economic climate. We will certainly keep the concept very alive with a view to pursuing it when conditions are more favorable." Circulation of the last two issues reached 170,000, above the projected circulation of 150,000, Handbury said. The magazine was not

distributed in the United States.

Murdoch's U.S. unit recently closed Men's Life, a men's lifestyle magazine, after one issue. It cited the high cost of building advertising and circulation in the current economic environment.

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#90348u1304 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2593.81	off	20.55
20 Trans	903.11	off	14.06
15 Utils	208.56	off	0.76
65 Stocks	910.00	off	8.31

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#90348u1307 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2593.81	off	20.55	903.11	off	14.06	208.56	off	0.76
Thursday	2614.36	off	7.92	916.79	up	1.50	209.32	off	1.00
Week ago	2590.10	off	12.38	909.67	off	4.12	210. 07	off	1.20
Month ago	2550.25	up	5.20	864.46	off	3.51	208.25	up	0.82
Year ago	2739.55	off	14.08	1170.70	off	14.93	235. 98	up	1.32
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90348u1310 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.19	off 0.06
10 Public Utils	93.00	off 0.05
10 Industrials	89.39	off 0.07

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#90348u1319 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday 10 to 89 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	76.12	76.75	76.12	76.61	75.72
May	75.50	76.05	75.50	75.65	75.08
Jly	75.00	75.50	74.92	74.96	74.57
Oct	68.87	68.70	68.55	68.55	68.51
Dec	65.85	66.20	65.71	65.85	65.70
Mar	66.50	66.60	66.50	66.55	66.45
May	66.80	66.80	66.80	66.85	66.75

Estimated sales: 8,000 contracts
Open interest: 40,807 off 109
The World spot average: 70.54

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#90348u1320 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 14) UPI - The United States and Iraq have agreed to talk over their troubles but they disagree on when Secretary of State Baker should go to Baghdad and that means the talks may never take place. Iraq is holding tough to its demand that Baker NOT show up before January 12th, just three days before expiration of a U-N mandated deadline. The situation has gotten to the point where President Bush has scheduled an announcement on the talks for this afternoon.

Two Republican Senators report U-S efforts to get high-level talks going with Iraq may be in danger of collapsing. Indiana Senator Richard Lugar and Arizona's John McCain met with President Bush this morning and later said he may scrap the talks if NO agreement is reached on when Baker should meet with Iraq's Saddam Hussein. Bush has tentatively agreed to meet Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Azis in Washington next Monday, but only if a mutually agreed date is reached for the Baker-Saddam talks.

NATO has taken a fresh look at military spending in the Soviet Union and reports it has started to decline after increasing until 1988. The report shows a four percent decline in real terms in Soviet defense expenditures last year. And a similar drop is expected when this year's figures are released.

The Air Force is investigating the discovery of a pipe bomb at NASA's Ames-Dryden Flight Research Facility in California's Mojave Desert. A spokeswoman says a maintenance worker found the ''cylindrical device'' yesterday lying on the ground less than 20 feet from a small building that houses a dispensary and maintenance facilities. The facility serves as a processing center for space shuttles that land at Edward's Air Force Base.

U-S foreign disaster aid officials are meeting in Nairobi, Kenya, to hammer out a response to next year's famine problem in northeast Africa. Officials say tens of thousands of people are doomed to starve to death in 1991 in Sudan

despite international efforts to save them. The officials say drought now spreads across large areas of northeast Africa... and northern Ethiopia will suffer even worse food shortages than this year.

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#90348u1325 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Friday - $44,820,000

1990 to date - $10,494,947,000

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#90348u1333 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 14) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index 178.71 off 1.35

ASE Market Value Index 305.74 off 0.97

Dow-Jones Industrial 2593.81 off 20.55

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#90348u1344 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2602.97	2617.82	2572.03	2593.81	off 20.55
20 Trans	915.67	919.04	895.99	903.11	off 14.06
15 Utils	209.26	210.01	206.93	208.56	off 0.76
65 Stock	915.62	920.02	902.57	910.00	off 8.31

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	16,745,800	17,133,000
Trans	3,531,300	3,133,300
Utils	2,580,500	2,941,300
65 Stock	22,857,600	23,207,600

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.19	off 0.06
10 Public Utils	93.00	off 0.05
10 Industrials	89.39	off 0.07

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 126.23 up 0.09.

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#90348u1353 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:
Stocks - 150,880,000 shares
1990 to date - 38,324,347,151
Warrants - 841,400
1990 to date - 250,783,700

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#90348u1357 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Friday:

High 306.75, low 304.53, close 305.74, off 0.97.

There was a loss of 3 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,950,000 shares, compared with 10, 910,000 Thursday.
What the AMEX Market Did
New Highs 7
New Lows 45
Advances 222
Declines 341
Unchanged 268
Total Issues 831

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#90348u1363 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (DEC. 14) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Friday - 9,305,000
1990 to date - 2,383,026,000

The market closed lower.

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#90348u1378 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Dow Jones averages for the week ended December 14:
Stocks (intra-day highs and lows)

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2577.23	2640.59	2565.59	2593.81	up 3.71
20 Trans	907.42	925.41	895.99	903.11	off 6.56
15 Utils	210.20	211.52	206.93	208.56	off 1.51
65 Stocks	909.12	926.53	902.57	910.00	off 2.15

20 Bonds (closing highs and lows)

91.06 91.25 91.06 91.19 up 0.27
Dow Jones commodity futures index (closing highs and lows)

125.78 126.14 125.78 126.23 up 1.69

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#90348u1379 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
PRAGUE, Czechslovakia (DEC. 14) UPI - Czechoslovakia's radical free market finance minister, Vaclav Klaus, faced a major challenge Friday to his efforts to transform Civic Forum into a conservative political party.

Seven Civic Forum ministers were among 89 leading politicians who signed a declaration published in Friday's Prague newspapers calling for the government and Parliament to ''lessen the effects of the economic reforms on socially weak groups.''

They said they formed a Liberal Club of Civic Forum to promote their views.

Klaus was elected chairman of Civic Forum last month and is the architect of the government's free market economic reforms. He has come under increasing criticism from center and left parties that his reforms are too harsh.

Critics say Klaus' plans may destroy the economy and the will of the people for reforms before they allow Czechoslovakia to rebuild an economy damaged by four decades of communist central planning.

But Klaus says there is no ''third way'' to reform, arguing one cannot mix market economics with a planned economy.

''Our short term goal is to create a market economy and let individuals achieve their own goals,'' Klaus told a news conference.

Many of the declaration's signers are close friends of President Vaclav Havel from his days as a dissident and helped found Civic Forum and lead the anti-communist revolution in November 1989.

These include Foreign Minister Jiri Dienstbier, Defense Minister Lubos Dobrovsky, Deputy Premier Pavel Rychetsky, Deputy Foreign Minister Martin Palous and parliamentarians Jiri Ruml and Dana Nemcova, who were all persecuted or imprisoned under the communists for defending human rights.

In their declaration, the ministers said Civic Forum must stay united but that they would fight for social guarantees.

The declaration reads in part:''The market cannot be an end in itself. It is only a means to achieve prosperity and a dignified life in a healthy and clean

environment. On the road to this aim, human society is obliged to lessen the effects on its socially weak groups.''

The declaration called for special attention to developing health systems, culture and a school system including vocational retraining for the millions of people expected to be laid off in the economic reforms.

Jan Sokol, leader of the Civic Forum group of deputies in the federal parliament, said he expected Civic Forum to survive without a major split until parliamentary elections are held in June 1992.

Both the ''liberals'' and Klaus's allies said it is very unlikely the formation of such a club would cause an immediate split in Civic Forum.

But Petr Kucera, a founder of the Liberal club who preceded Klaus as Civic Forum's chairman, accused Klaus of gathering the support of people looking for an authoritarian solution to the increasingly oppressive political and economic problems facing Czechoslovakia.

''The right-wing center is formed by people who do not believe in themselves. It's a reflection of a lack of self-confidence, they are looking for someone to help them overcome the problems they face.''

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#90348u1386 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - An armored truck guard was fatally shot Friday during a payroll robbery at JFK International Airport by two armed men wearing American Airlines uniforms, authorities said.

The 47-year-old victim was shot as he emerged from the truck outside the American Airlines hanger with a bag containing $65,000, which the gunmen grabbed before fleeing in a blue car, said officials.

The shooting occurred at 5:06 a.m. after the armored truck pulled into a parking lot near the hanger at John F. Kennedy International Airport. The gunmen were described only as two white males.

Police did not disclose the victim's name pending notification of relatives and would not say whether he put up any resistance.

Port Authority spokesman Tom Middlemiss said a baseball cap containing an American Airlines logo was found at the scene, along with one spent shotgun cartridge and two spent shell casings from a .38- caliber revolver.

But, he said, a total of up to eight rounds were fired at a right- side window of the truck at a second guard who was in the passenger seat of the truck and escaped injury.

The victim was shot in the lower back and died about an hour later in Jamaica Hospital.

The armored vehicle is owned by Armor Transport of New York, officials said.

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#90348u1401 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 14) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	241.30	241.30	238.10	239.75	241.75
Mar	243.00	243.00	239.70	241.60	243.60
Jun	....	....	....	243.50	245.50
Sep	....	....	....	245.90	247.90

Estimated volume: 365 contracts.

Open interest: 1,492 up 108

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	328.80	328.80	325.40	327.20	329.95
Mar	331.20	331.30	327.80	329.65	332.50
Jun	333.25	333.30	331.00	332.70	335.50
Sep	335.00	336.30	334.00	335.60	338.50

Estimated volume: 76,697 contracts.

Open interest: 170,378 up 4,384

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	179.00	179.55	177.65	178.75	180.10
Mar	180.40	180.90	179.00	180.00	181.40
Jun	182.10	182.40	180.90	181.40	182.80

Open interest: 4,886 off 51

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	545.70	546.25	541.10	543.75	547.30
Jan	547.70	548.25	543.20	545.95	549.40
Feb	544.05	547.25	543.50	545.95	549.40

Estimated volume: 3,011 contracts.

Open interest: 9,823 up 265

-30- 1634

#90348u1407 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Friday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	58,059,560	59 1/4	up 2 3/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	56,257,828	19	off 3/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	46,627,860	73 5/8	up 7/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	35,661,408	36	off 1/4
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	27,880,332	39 7/8	off 7/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	24,870,252	39	off 5/8
Medco		23,990,168	30	off 1 1/8
Imunex Corp	(IMNX)	21,367,558	36 1/4	off 2 1/4
Cisco Systms	(CSCO)	17,869,054	45	up 1 3/4
St Paul Cos	(STPL)	17,209,028	63 7/8	off 1/4

Composite Index 162.78 off 1.22

NMS volume 90,672,704 shares.

Advances	608
Declines	867
Unchanged	1,293
Total	2,768

-30- 1010

#90348u1409 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

ANKARA, Turkey (DEC. 14) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said Friday no guarantees can be given that Iraq would remain territorially intact when the Persian Gulf crisis is over.

Shevardnadze, speaking after talks with Turkish leaders, said Iraq's territorial integrity could have been guaranteed if it had pulled its troops out of Kuwait peacefully, but ''now there is no such thing as a guarantee.''

The Soviet foreign minister said he was expressing his personal views on the concept of Iraq's territorial integrity.

Earlier, Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati, who spoke with Turkish leaders a day earlier, said Turkey and Iran share the view that Iraq should remain territorially intact after the crisis.

Turkey has earlier expressed fears that Iraq's oil-rich territories in the northern provinces of Mosul and Kirkuk could fall into rebel Iraqi Kurdish hands if Baghdad suffered a military defeat and collapsed as a result of the crisis.

Turkey does not want an independent oil-rich Kurdish state on its southern border.

Shevardnadze, who wound up a two-day visit to Ankara after discussions with President Turgut Ozal and other Turkish officials, said every effort should be made to bring about a peaceful solution to the crisis.

He said the Soviet public would not endorse any move to send Soviet troops to join the U.S.-dominated multinational force in the gulf in preparation to push Iraqi troops out of Kuwait if they do not withdraw by Jan. 15.

''We also have our principles,'' he said.

Shevardnadze said his discussions focused mainly on the gulf crisis and Soviet views were identical with those of Turkey on the need for a peaceful solution.

''I refrain very much to pronounce the word war because I know how dreadful the consequences can be,'' the foreign minister said.

''I am aware of the military potential there and can calculate very well the dimensions,'' he said. ''I therefore support the idea that every single effort should be made ... to reach a peaceful solution.''

Shevardnadze said the U.N. Security Council resolution setting Jan. 15 as the deadline for a peaceful withdrawal did not mean force would necessarily be used to push Iraq out.

''Meanwhile, we should also keep in mind the possibility of the United States acting outside the framework of the resolution,'' he said. He did not elaborate.

The Soviet leader said Turkey is a politically important state in the region and holds a prestigious place internationally. ''Therefore I am certain it is doing whatever it can to contribute to a solution to the problem,'' he said.

What was important now was that talks between Iraq and the United States should go through, the minister said. ''This is of utmost importance and should be realized soon. We should use this goodwill atmosphere in the best possible way,'' he said.

He said he thinks Washington agrees but he brushed aside Iraqi demands that the Palestinian and Arab-Israeli conflict be discussed as part of overall talks to end the crisis.

''The gulf conflict is pushing the Arab-Israeli conflict into the background '' he said.

-30- 3377
#90348u1419 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 14) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6750	off 25
Medtronic Inc	84 3/4	off 5 1/4
Atl Rich pfC	293 3/4	up 5 1/4
Castle & Cooke	29	off 4 5/8
Captl Cities	440 1/2	off 4 1/2
Gerber Prod	56	off 4 1/4
Wash Post	197	off 3 1/2
PSE&G pfL	85 1/2	off 3 1/8
Atl Richfld	124	up 3
Lilly Eli wt	74	off 2 3/4
Syntex Corp	57 5/8	off 2 3/4

-30- 725
#90348u1423 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (DEC. 14) UPI - For America's space program, 1990 was a roller-coaster year highlighted by three spectacular planetary encounters, six shuttle flights - nine were planned - and a flood of criticism over the flawed Hubble Space Telescope.

NASA's foundering space station project was subjected to yet another round of budget cuts, and a presidential commission recommended sweeping changes in the way the agency operates, including less reliance on the shuttle and development of a new, heavy-lift unmanned rocket.

''America's civil space program is at a crossroads,'' panel chairman Norman Augustine said at a news conference where the widely hailed report was released. ''NASA is neither as troubled as some would suggest nor nearly as good as it will have to be to carry out the kind of space program we recommend.''

NASA, the panel said, should focus on a ''Mission to Planet Earth,'' which would involve launching a set of satellites to study Earth's environment, and a ''Mission from Planet Earth,'' which would focus on the solar system and the eventual exploration of Mars.

Citing the shuttle's unreliability and riskiness, the panel's most controversial recommendation called for forgoing purchasing a new manned orbiter and instead developing a new unmanned rocket for use when astronauts are not absolutely required.

With NASA at a crossroads, the military space program forged ahead in 1990,

pressing on with post-Challenger plans to shift high-priority national security satellites from the shuttle to unmanned Titan 4 rockets to ensure reliable access to space.

Two shuttle-class Titan 4 rockets carrying a pair of secret Pentagon satellites were successfully launched in June and November, along with two top-secret shuttle flights, the last such fully-classified shuttle missions currently planned.

In addition, two Strategic Defense Initiative - ''Star Wars'' - missile defense program research satellites were launched atop a Delta rocket in February that was purchased commercially from builder McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Co. of Huntington Beach, Calif.

Ten other Deltas were launched in 1990 - all successfully - carrying five Air Force Global Positioning System navigation satellites, four commercial communications satellites and a European X-ray telescope.

In another major unmanned launch, an Atlas-Centaur rocket boosted a package of experiments into orbit July 25 in the first commercial launch of the General Dynamics-built launcher.

Despite the successes chalked up by the Delta and Atlas programs, America's infant commercial space program suffered a major setback March 14 when an improperly Titan 3 rocket built by Martin Marietta Astronautics Group of Denver left a $150 million international communications satellite stranded in space.

The satellite's owner, the International Telecommunications Satellite Organization - Intelsat - is paying NASA $90 million to mount a daring rescue mission in 1992 during the new shuttle Endeavour's maiden voyage.

On the scientific front, NASA made major strides in 1990, despite the revelation that the $1.5 billion Hubble Space Telescope's supposedly perfect mirror was ground into the wrong shape, blurring its vision until new cameras equipped with corrective lenses can be launched in 1993.

NASA's Galileo probe zoomed past cloudy Venus on Feb. 10, using the planet's gravity to fling it on to a Dec. 8 flyby of Earth, the first of two such encounters required to whip the nuclear-powered craft onto a trajectory that will put it in orbit around Jupiter in 1995.

While Galileo was heading from Venus to Earth, NASA's Magellan probe slipped into orbit around Venus on Aug. 10 to begin a 243-day mission to map up to 90 percent of the planet's surface using an ingenious cloud- piercing radar system.

Despite trouble with an on-board computer, the solar-powered satellite is

working well, beaming back spectacular photos of Venus's tortured surface, revealing huge volcanoes, extensive lava flows and a heavily faulted terrain that will take scientists years to figure out.

-30- 4341

#90348u1428 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	368.83	off	2.67	371.54	443.84
Industrial	398.63	off	2.41	401.28	434.02
Finance	360.74	off	4.03	365.57	498.64
Insurance	455.29	off	2.05	453.15	553.72
Utility	469.80	off	6.09	475.19	716.41
Bank	257.09	off	0.25	260.52	387.06
Transport	412.33	up	1.06	407.98	486.15

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 162.79 off 1.21

Industrial Index 159.12 off 0.98

NASDAQ-100 Index 392.27 off 3.79

-30- 980

#90348u1429 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Friday	Thursday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	22.05-22.15	22.65-22.75
North Sea Brent	26.70-26.80	27.20-27.25
West Texas Intermed	26.50-26.60	26.40-26.45
Light Louisiana Sweet	27.85-28.00	27.80-27.90
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	65.70-65.95	65.05-65.30
No. 2 Heating oil	75.00-75.25	74.80-75.05
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	62.70-62.95	62.15-62.40
No. 2 Heating oil	72.25-72.35	71.55-71.75

-30- 916
#90348u1433 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
ALBANY, NY (DEC. 14) UPI - Gov. Mario Cuomo praised New York state lawmakers Friday for adopting an "historic" $1 billion deficit-reduction plan but scolded them for not cutting more and hinted a delay in state paychecks may be reversed.

At a news conference several hours after the Legislature adjourned early Friday morning, Cuomo chastised the lawmakers for refusing to abolish or consolidate dozens of political patronage posts while thousands of civil service workers face layoffs.

"You can lay somebody off who's carrying a bedpan," Cuomo said scornfully. "That's wrong." He said he would resubmit his proposal to cut or consolidate 50 patronage boards and commissions next year.

The governor also criticized the lawmakers for cutting only half their pet projects out of the budget. He joked that what seems to be a pork barrel to some is "beef if you can get it."

In general, Cuomo praised the package, which is designed to get the state out of an immediate $894 million hole and provide a cushion against additional, expected deficits. Cuomo said the package also includes "more than a billion dollars in recurring cuts that will help begin the process of balancing our next budget."

But Assembly Minority Leader Clarence Rappleyea, R-Norwich, blasted the deficit-reduction package for including: a surcharge enacted on medical facility income; more borrowing, in the form of the delayed paychecks; and gimmicks such as shifting certain state programs to federal funds. As adopted by the Legislature, the deficit plan includes:

- A $190 million cut in state aid to schools, "the first cuts in school aid during a school year since before World War II," according to Cuomo. No school district will lose more than 1.5 percent of its state grant.

- A $140 million surcharge on medical facilities that receive Medicaid funds.

- Restructuring certain state funds to save $362 million.

The state's bad debt and charity funds, which compensate medical facilities that treat people with no money and no health insurance, will be reconfigured to generate $362 million in additional federal funds, thereby reducing the state's outlay, Budget Division spokeswoman Claudia Hutton said.

- A third week's delay in state paychecks to save $135 million. The delay will

be phased in over several weeks, but Cuomo hinted it could be reversed if New York's economy and budget improve.

"All of that is subject to negotiations," he said. However, he continued to complain that his proposed no-pay furloughs would have been better than a delay in pay. "The lag is just a loan from state employees," Rappleyea countered.

- A $300-a-year increase in the State University of New York's $1,350 tuition and City University of New York's $1,300 tuition, coupled with better availability of financial aid for part-time students. The increase - the first since 1983 - will bring SUNY and extra $16 million this spring, Hutton said.

- A $17 million cut in legislative "member items," grants to youth groups, senior citizen centers, schools and other organizations in each legislator's district.

The Legislature also enacted a two-year extension of the surcharge on businesses within the Metropolitan Transportation Authority service area for transit projects.

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#90348u1435 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Friday 392.27 off 3.79.

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#90348u1439 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Energy Service	666,700	2 1/2	up 1/8
CII Financial	310,900	14 1/2	up 1/2
Hasbro Inc	247,400	15	off 1/4
Magma Copper Co	244,800	4 5/8	unch
Eksport Finan wt	222,500	9 1/8	up 1/2
Bolar Pharm Co	218,900	2 1/2	unch
BAT Industries	204,000	11 1/2	off 1/8
Heritage Media	202,000	3 1/4	off 1/8
Denmark King wt	199,000	18 1/2	up 3/8
Bombay Co	197,100	10 3/4	up 3/8

-30- 786
#90348u1441 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 14) UPI - President Bush is scheduled to make an announcement this afternoon on direct talks between the United States and Iraq on the Persian Gulf crisis. And he may say there woN'T be any talks. Iraq is holding tough to demands that meetings between Saddam Hussein and Secretary of State Baker NOT take place earlier than January 12th. That's three days before the end of a U-N mandated deadline that could then allow for the use of the military option to end the crisis. The Bush administration wants the Iraqi meeting to begin sooner.

Investigators who have talked with a hospitalized Amtrak engineer report he tried three times to set the brakes on his ''Night Owl'' passenger train before it derailed at the Back Bay station in Boston. But rookie engineer Richard Abramson reported the brakes would NOT hold. The Amtrak engine then sideswiped the engine of a passing commuter train and the resulting accident injured more than 260 people.

A wind-driven 10-alarm fire swept through a group of triple-decker homes early today in a Boston suburb... forcing more than 100 people to flee in freezing temperatures. Police are investigating the possibility of arson in the blaze, one of four in the coastal city of Revere in a nine-hour period. Seven firefighters were injured. Fire Chief James Connery says the extra-alarm fire was ''the worst'' he'd seen in 35 years on the job.

European leaders meeting in Rome have decided they will send food aid to the Soviet Union this winter. Just how much is still being debated. The Executive Commission of the European Community has suggested a one- BILLION-dollar aid program, one-third in outright grants and two-thirds in credits. But some member nations believe the credits will only further burden the Soviet Union with debt and the issue is still under discussion at the two-day summit.

In Poland, Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki made it official today... he resigned after 15 months in office. The resignation by Mazowiecki, who led East Europe's first postwar non-communist government, also comes three weeks after he lost the presidential race to Solidarity founder Lech Walesa. He said the change in leadership shows Poland is well on the road to democracy.

Riots reportedly erupted in at least two towns today on the second day of unrest that has rocked Albania since Marxist President Ramiz Alia agreed to permit independent parties. Sources report security forces confronted rioters in the towns of Wlbasan and Kavaja and sealed off other communities. There are NO immediate reports of casualties in the disturbances.

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#90348u1447 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign

currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.
Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Fri	Thu	Fri	Thu
Argntn austral	.000204	.000203	4900.00	4924.00
Australia dlr	.7655	.7587	1.3063	1.3180
Austria schill	.0957	.0960	10.45	10.42
Belgium franc-c	.0325	.0327	30.75	30.60
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0068	.0069	145.99	145.02
Britain pound	1.9322	1.9445	.5175	.5143
Britain 1-mo	1.9218	1.9339	.5203	.5171
Britain 3-mo	1.9043	1.9165	.5251	.5218
Britain 6-mo	1.8819	1.8949	.5314	.5277
Canada dollar	.8621	.8621	1.1600	1.1600
Canada 1-mo	.8593	.8590	1.1638	1.1641
Canada 3-mo	.8561	.8533	1.1681	1.1719
Canada 6-mo	.8460	.8460	1.1821	1.1821
Chile peso-f	.003077	.003078	324.95	324.92
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001821	.001824	549.01	548.17
Denmark krne	.1747	.1757	5.7240	5.6910
Ecudr sucre-z	.001146	.001151	872.63	868.73
Egypt pound	.3551	.3551	2.8160	2.8161
Finlnd mrkka	.2793	.2807	3.5800	3.5630
France franc	.1979	.1991	5.0540	5.0230
France 1-mo	.1975	.1987	5.0623	5.0317
France 3-mo	.1967	.1978	5.0847	5.0547
France 6-mo	.1953	.1965	5.1213	5.0900
Greece drach	.006561	.006641	152.41	150.58
Hollnd guildr	.5967	.5998	1.6760	1.6673
HongKong dlr	.1282	.1282	7.8005	7.8020
India rupee	.0556	.0557	18.00	17.95
Indo'sa rupia	.000533	.000533	1875.00	1875.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7910	1.8000	0.5583	0.5556
Israel shekel	.5112	.5033	1.9560	1.9870
Italy lira	.000890	.000898	1123.00	1114.00
Japan yen	.007508	.007579	133.20	131.95
Japan 1-mo	.007519	.007605	133.00	131.50
Japan 3-mo	.007541	.007637	132.60	130.95
Japan 6-mo	.007564	.007689	132.20	130.05
Jordan dinar	1.5557	1.5605	.6428	.6408
Kuwait dinar	3.4258	3.4258	0.2919	0.2919
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35

Mexico peso-z	.000342	.000342	2921.00	2921.00
N.Zealand dlr	.5970	.5965	1.6750	1.6764
Norway krne	.1719	.1724	5.8160	5.8020
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	541,750	541,750
P'pnes peso-z	.0364	.0364	27.46	27.46
Portugl escud	.007689	.007710	130.05	129.70
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5836	.5841	1.7135	1.7120
S.Africa rand	.3985	.3992	2.5097	2.5047
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010563	.010607	94.67	94.28
Sweden krona	.1790	.1792	5.5870	5.5800
Switzrl franc	.7852	.7908	1.2735	1.2646
Switzrl 1-mo	.7845	.7893	1.2747	1.2669
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7829	.7886	1.2773	1.2680
Switzrl 6-mo	.7809	.7867	1.2805	1.2711
Taiwan dollar	.0376	.0375	26.63	26.66
Turkey lira	.000355	.000356	2816.00	2812.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6632	3.6632
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0202	.0202	49.50	49.59
Germany mark	.6727	.6776	1.4865	1.4758
Germany 1-mo	.6720	.6768	1.4882	1.4776
Germany 3-mo	.6700	.6749	1.4926	1.4818
Germany 6-mo	.6668	.6716	1.4997	1.4889
Yugosl dinar	.0985	.0989	10.15	10.11

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90348u1454 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	305.74	off	0.97
High Technology	324.56	off	3.45
Capital Goods	328.35	up	1.14
Consumer Goods	396.14	off	0.54
Service	722.69	off	4.74
Retail	1,004.43	off	21.02
Financial	353.81	up	0.19
Natural Resources	212.96	up	0.47
Housing-Const-Land	234.27	up	0.21

There was a loss of 3 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS		
New England	408.10	off 2.13
Mid Atlantic	422.26	off 1.44
No Central	409.38	off 4.50
So Atlantic	882.86	off 9.22
So Central	300.80	up 0.55
Mountain	106.24	up 0.15
Pacific	353.37	off 2.06
Foreign	211.72	up 0.40

-30- 912

#90348u1456 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	385.42	234.35	144.87	23.51	329.34
Opening	384.16	233.52	144.42	23.33	328.16
11 a.m.	381.85	231.43	143.67	23.09	326.11
Noon	381.74	231.07	143.49	23.03	325.92
1 p.m.	381.30	230.41	143.45	23.03	325.60
2 p.m.	381.46	230.66	143.57	23.05	325.77
3 p.m.	382.24	231.01	143.79	23.14	326.45
Close	382.53	230.94	144.33	23.16	326.82
Change	off 2.89	off 3.41	off 0.54	off 0.35	off 2.52

-30- 917

#90348u1461 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Friday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	119,502,900
Advances	740
Declines	1,045
Unchanged	2,403
Total	4,188

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#90348u1462 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 14) UPI - The price of Castle & Cooke Inc. stock plunged Friday following the announcement by the holding company that it has taken subsidiary Dole Food Co. off the sales block. Castle & Cooke shares fell $4.625 to $29 a share Friday on the New York Stock Exchange with 1.35 million shares traded.

Castle & Cooke said Thursday that it would not sell Dole because of a slack

market for acquisitions and because of expectations of improved future performance from Dole.

The decision to take Dole off the block came five months after the holding company had retained investment bankers Goldman Sachs & Co. to evaluate a possible sale, which analysts believed could have brought as much as $2.5 billion.

Dole, known for its fresh fruits and vegetables, canned foods, nuts and fruit juices, accounted for more than 90 percent of Castle & Cooke's $2.72 billion in 1989 sales.

David H. Murdock, chairman and chief executive officer of Castle & Cooke, said Thursday the potential buyers were not willing to meet the asking price. Analysts have speculated that the possible bidders included Chiquita Brands International and Procter & Gamble, both of Cincinnati, and the Japanese company Sumitomo.

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#90348u1472 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - The Pentagon said Friday it has leased a cruise ship to provide rest and relaxation breaks - and drinks - to participants in Operation Desert Shield.

The first troops will be aboard the Cunard Princess before Christmas, enjoying a pool, health and fitness facilities, television, telephones and, according to a Pentagon press release, ''a variety of entertainment and relaxation opportunities.''

The ship will provide alcoholic beverages, something unavailable to the troops in Saudi Arabia. Soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines will have to pay for their drinks but everything else is free.

About 800 troops at a time will be able to take the two- and three- night breaks from the routine of military life in the desert aboard the 564-foot-long ship. They can take tours and go shopping both aboard the ship and at Bahrain where it will be docked. It also may go out into the gulf for cruises, officials said.

The ship's lounges also will have entertainment for the guests.

The Army, which is renting the ship for $31 million for six months, also is seeking to lease up to three more vessels for use by the troops, hoping to provide as many R&R spots as possible.

However, because of the huge numbers personnel in the region - about 430,000 are expected by mid January - it would take quite some time for many troops to

get a chance to relax on one of the ships.

Service personnel getting the R&R opportunity will be picked by a quota system with each service getting a proportionate share of the available slots. Those eligible for the break must have been in Saudi Arabia for two months and each commander will pick those who get to schedule a visit to the ship, officials said.

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#90348u1477 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 14) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.15	7.25	8.56
91-day Treasury bills	7.07	7.04	7.62
182-day Treasury bills	7.10	7.05	7.40
1-year Treasury bills	7.14	7.10	7.14
3-year Treasury notes	7.46	7.40	7.70
7-year Treasury notes	7.96	7.89	7.81
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.19	8.13	7.86
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.55	8.54	8.66
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.55	9.50	9.09
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.62	8.57	8.74
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.91	8.85	8.86
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.13	9.08	9.08
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.12	9.06	9.06

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90348u1478 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending December 14:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	386.28	381.98	382.53	off 1.17
20 Trans	234.41	231.82	230.94	off 1.96

40 Utils	145.27	143.67	144.33	up	0.48
40 Fncl	23.66	23.32	23.16	off	0.25
500 Stock	330.19	326.44	326.82	off	0.93

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#90348u1486 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (DEC. 14) UPI - As leftist rebels continued to rack up battlefield victories, Salvadoran government and military officials this week threatened an all-out effort to defeat the decade-long guerrilla insurgency that has already taken more than 72,000 lives.

''If the (rebels) persist in violent actions, the armed forces will respond with all its energy,'' President Alfredo Cristiani told reporters earlier this week.

But Cristiani's warning fell on deaf ears of the rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN.

After a series of airplane and helicopter downings this week, rebels based in mountainous Chalatenango province chased some 200 members of the elite, U.S.-trained Bracamonte battalion over the border into neighboring Honduras, killing five and wounding at least 15 in the process.

Military analysts say the FMLN's increased use of surface-to-air missiles has thrown government forces off balance. They say the U.S.- supplied fighter planes have been the Salvadoran Armed Force's biggest advantage over the much smaller but more mobile rebel forces.

On Nov. 20, the rebels launched a series of loosely coordinated attacks on army positions in half of El Salvador's 14 provinces and have stepped up the frequency and intensity of combat in contested rural areas, primarily in the provinces of Usulutan and Chalatenango.

More than 200 people have died in the campaign which diplomatic sources characterize as a psychological victory and moral booster for the guerrillas.

The rebels claim their new military campaign is designed to punish the armed forces and force the government into softening its position on military reform at the negotiating table. A new United Nations proposal dealing with reform of El Salvador's powerful military will be introduced at a secret round of talks expected to begin soon.

''All violent actions (by the FMLN) generate more violence, and that puts the dialogue in jeopardy,'' Cristiani said in reference to ongoing peace talks.

Cristiani's conservative government and the FMLN maintain that a political settlement is the only viable way to end their civil war. But government

officials said this week the rebel escalation may force a military solution.

After attending the funeral of a helicopter pilot mortally wounded by FMLN groundfire, Salvadoran air force chief Rafael Villamariona told reporters the war would end in 1991 ''one way or another.''

''The government is doing everything it can to find a negotiated settlement to this war,'' Gen. Villamariona said. ''But if the guerrillas continue with this violence it will be the armed forces that imposes an end to the conflict.''

The immediate reaction to the rebels' increased military effectiveness has sped up delivery of close to $50 million in U.S. military aid to the Salvadoran government. The army is talking tough and the most conservative elements of President Cristiani's right-wing Nationalist Republican Alliance party, or ARENA, are complaining about international pressure interfering with the government's ability to win the war.

At a recent party function, ARENA founder Roberto D'Aubuisson said foreign pressure had forced the Salvadoran army to fight the war ''with its hands tied and its eyes blindfolded.''

The army has not said what it might do to step up its war effort, but some observers fear a right-wing backlash could mean more civilian casualties and even the assassination of leftist politicians and union and church leaders.

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#90348u1490 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (DEC. 14) UPI - Continental Airlines Friday outlined an expanded frequent-flyer program in response to similar ticket promotions announced by other airlines earlier this week.

American, United and Northwest announced their promotions Thursday, two days after Delta Air Lines tempted travelers by offering free trips to frequent fliers. Continental's program will allow its customers to earn free tickets in both first class and coach.

Continental, whose parent is in Chapter 11 federal bankruptcy proceedings, also will lengthen the period of the time that free tickets can be earned and used.

A customer flying three round trips or eight segments earns one free coach ticket, while one flying five round trips or 14 segments earns two free coach tickets and seven round trips or 20 segments earns three free coach tickets. Continental's program also allows a passenger to earn two free first-class tickets by flying nine round trips or 24 segments.

The airline said free tickets can be earned for travel occurring from Dec. 15

through March 31, 1991. The free tickets will be good for travel from May 15, 1991, through Feb. 12, 1992. The free trips can be used in the mainland United States, Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, and the Caribbean.

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#90348u1515 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended December 14, 1990.

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	255,964,000	41 1/2	39	39 7/8	off 7/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	210,051,008	74 1/2	70 1/2	73 5/8	up 7/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	203,285,008	38 1/8	35 1/4	36	off 1/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	185,842,000	20 5/8	18 3/4	19	off 3/8
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	158,617,008	59 1/4	54 1/2	59 1/4	up 2 3/4
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	93,414,304	40 1/8	38 1/4	39	off 5/8
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	87,550,200	33 1/4	30 1/2	32 1/2	off 1/4
Medco		76,009,200	32	29 1/2	30	off 1 1/8
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	75,658,400	23 3/8	21 1/8	21 1/2	off 1/2
Immunex Corp	(IMNX)	74,364,000	40 1/4	35 1/2	36 1/4	off 2 1/4

NMS volume 488,717,800 shares.

Advances	729
Declines	1,131
Unchanged	894
Total	2,754

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#90348u1516 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 14) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Friday	Thursday	Week ago
New highs	10	31	17
New lows	53	45	41

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	505	35,396,400
Declines	1,011	98,396,600
Unchanged	489	17,087,000
Total	2,005	150,880,000

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#90348u1518 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

TORONTO (DEC. 14) UPI - Peter Hardy stepped down as chief executive officer and chairman of the board of the Toronto Blue Jays Friday after more than

eight years in the post.

Hardy, a founding director of the Blue Jays, will be replaced by two men. William Ferguson will serve as the chairman of the board, and P.N. T. Widdrington was named vice-chairman and chief executive officer.

In a release, Hardy stated: ''At this point, it is time to make a move and pass the responsibilities on. I will continue to serve on the board and support the organization in whatever way I can.''

Ferguson has represented Imperial Trust on the Blue Jays board since 1981. Widdrington, chairman of the board of brewing company John Labatt Limited, has been a board member of the Blue Jays since 1980.

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#90348u1519 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 14) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 7
New lows 45

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	222	4,531,600
Declines	341	4,101,600
Unchanged	268	2,316,800
Total	831	10,950,000

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#90348u1522 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	179.44	178.14	178.71	off 1.35
Industrial	221.77	220.21	220.84	off 1.64
Transport	142.43	140.48	140.62	off 2.35
Utility	91.54	90.97	91.42	off 0.39
Finance	121.66	120.50	120.93	off 1.43

Equivalent to a loss of 23 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 150,880,000 shares.

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#90348u1526 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
(correcting Thursday's 20 Transp)

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended December 14.

	30 Indus			20 Transp			15 Utils		
Monday	2596.78	up	6.68	909.67	unchanged		210. 45	up	0.38
Tuesday	2586.14	off	10.64	905.17	off	4.50	209.07	off	1.38
Wednesday	2586.14	up	36.14	915.29	up	10.12	210.32	up	1.25
Thursday	2614.36	off	7.92	917.17	up	1.88	209.32	off	1.00
Friday	2593.81	off	20.55	903.11	off	14.06	208.56	off	0.76
Net Change		up	3.71		off	6.56		off	1.51

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#90348u1531 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended December 14, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Occidntl Pet	14,110,000	23 1/4	19 3/4	20 5/8	off 1/4
AT&T Company	7,863,900	31 1/4	29 1/2	30 5/8	up 3/4
Gen Motors	7,654,800	36 7/8	33 1/8	33 1/4	off 3 1/4
Philip Morris	7,520,000	51 3/4	50 1/8	50 5/8	up 5/8
Ford Motor	6,689,300	28 3/8	25 1/8	25 1/4	off 2 3/8
Toys R Us	6,586,600	24 7/8	23 1/8	23 3/8	up 5/8
GTE Corp	5,350,500	30 5/8	28 1/2	30 1/4	up 1 1/2
Citicorp	5,263,300	15	13 1/8	13 3/4	off 1
PepsiCo	5,172,300	26 7/8	25 1/2	26	off 1/2
Genl Electric	5,168,400	57 1/4	54 3/4	55 5/8	off 1 7/8
Wal-Mart Strs	5,022,400	30 7/8	29 3/8	30 1/4	off 1 1/8
IBM Corp	4,998,600	114 5/8	111	111 1/4	off 1 1/4
Motorola Inc	4,982,700	54 1/8	49 1/4	49 7/8	off 2 3/8
Hilton Hotels	4,910,500	43 1/4	33	39 1/4	up 6 1/4
Chrysler Corp	4,741,600	12 1/4	11 5/8	12 1/4	up 1/2
Fedl Natl Mtge	4,665,400	34 3/4	33 5/8	34 1/4	up 3/8
Exxon Corp	4,486,300	50 7/8	49 1/2	50 3/4	up 1 1/2
Waste Mngt	4,295,600	36 1/8	34 5/8	35 1/2	up 1/4
NCR Corp	4,269,900	90 1/4	88 3/8	88 7/8	off 2 7/8
Conner Perph	4,059,300	26	21 1/2	23 1/8	off 5 3/4

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#90348u1549 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 14) UPI - Largest net changes amoung NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended December 14, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6750	up 175
Vista Chemical	53 7/8	up 27 7/8
Ogden Corp pf	120	up 20 7/8
Utd Telcm pf	64 1/2	off 15 3/8
GATX Corp pf	61 1/2	up 15 1/8
PS Ind pfG	86	up 13
Enron Corp pf	184 3/8	off 7 1/2
Square D Co	50 1/2	off 6 1/4
Hilton Hotels	39 1/4	up 6 1/4
Conner Perph	23 1/8	off 5 3/4
Am Brands pfA	159 5/8	off 5 3/8
Medtronic Inc	84 3/4	off 5 3/8
Novo Nordisk	64 1/8	up 5 1/4
Duke Pwr pfN	102 5/8	up 5 1/8
Pa Pwr&Lt pf	95	up 5
Time Warner	88 1/2	up 5
McKesson pf	101	up 5
Kubota Corp	105	off 5
Compaq Computer	53 5/8	off 4 7/8
Castle & Cooke	29	off 4 7/8

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#90348u1551 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 14) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Dec 14, 1990	77	192	865	1040	278	2183
Dec 7, 1990	107	177	1285	656	241	2182
Dec 15, 1989	251	197	792	1065	289	2146
Dec 16, 1988	93	122	834	993	338	2165

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#90348u1553 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 14) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Dec 14, 1990	35	187	319	480	209	1008
Dec 7, 1990	38	181	459	357	182	998

Dec 15, 1989 55 100 293 514 197 1004

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#90348u1554 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended December 14 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	138,652,860	176,995,240	899,500	639, 100
Tuesday	145,330,190	185,828,020	1,041,400	719, 600
Wednesday	182,284,530	205,836,740	1,803,000	2, 885,800
Thursday	162,108,740	256,392,190	886,300	2,149, 800
Friday	150,870,320	164,953,280	841,400	1,359, 500
Total	779,246,640	990,005,470	4,751,600	7,753, 800

Bonds

	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 37,534,000	$ 34,388,000
Tuesday	$ 42,355,000	$ 37,063,000
Wednesday	$ 44,853,000	$ 37,012,000
Thursday	$ 47,797,000	$ 48,048,000
Friday	$ 44,824,000	$ 48,722,000
Total	$217,363,000	$205,233,000

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#90348u1558 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended December 14, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Alza Corp	1,773,200	47 1/4	45 3/4	46 1/2	up 1 1/2
Energy Service	1,674,200	2 5/8	2	2 1/2	up 3/8
New York TimesA	1,033,300	19 7/8	19	19 1/2	up 3/4
Contl Air Hldgs	967,500	2 3/8	2	2	off 1/4
Western Digital	837,100	5 1/4	4 1/2	4 7/8	unch
BAT Industries	800,800	11 3/4	11 7/16	11 1/2	unch
Amdahl Corp	717,900	14 3/8	13 1/4	13 7/8	up 1/2
Fruit of Loom	687,500	9	8 1/2	8 7/8	unch
Americus T2 sc	673,200	5 3/4	4 7/8	5 3/8	unch
Americus GTE sc	657,100	9 3/8	7 1/2	8 7/8	up 7/8

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#90348u1564 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 14) UPI - Largest net changes amoung AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended December 14, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Penn Traffic Co	16 1/4	up 4 1/4
Americus F ut	26 1/4	off 4
Americus GM pr	31 1/2	off 3 7/8
Americus BM ut	66	up 3 1/2
San Dgo G&E pfE	86 1/2	off 3 1/8
Toledo Ed pfA	79	up 3
Americus ARC sc	18	off 2 3/4
Alza Corp ut	41 1/4	up 2 3/4
Americus ARC pr	105 5/8	up 2 5/8
Barnwell Ind	29 3/8	up 2 5/8

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#90348u1565 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - Stock exchange sales for the week ended December 14.

New York Stock Exchange: Stocks - 779, 246,640 shares, compared with 990,005,470 a week earlier and with 927,760,970 the year before. Warrants - 4,751,600 compared with 7,753,800 a week earlier and with 6,706,300 the year before. Bonds - $217,363,000 compared with $205,233,000 a week earlier and with $218,382,000 the year before.

American Stock Exchange: Stocks - 53,900, 470 shares, compared with 64,409,155 a week earlier and with 70,777,430 the year before. Bonds - $21,510,000 compared with $18,968, 000 a week earlier and with $13,205,000 the year before.

Midwest Stock Exchange: Stocks - 49,640, 000 shares, compared with 55,665,000 a week earlier and with 59,957,000 the year before.

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#90348u1582 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended December 14:

High	Low	Last	Net change
307.73	304.63	305.74	off 0.71

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#90348u1584 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
ATLANTIC CITY, NJ (DEC. 14) UPI - Lawyers for Donald Trump filed a debt restructuring plan with New Jersey regulators Friday for the troubled Taj

Mahal casino.

The state Casino Control Commission must decide whether the Trump Organization has the stability to continue to operate the Taj to retain the casino license. A spokesman said the body's decision will be made in January.

After some hard-fought negotiations, Trump recently agreed to give the owners of $675 million in risky, high-yielding ''junk'' bonds a half-interest in the casino.

In return, interest rates on the debt will be trimmed by two points and no more than 10 percent will be paid in cash.

While drawing business from other casinos, the Taj - a glitzy $1 billion property billed as the ''eighth wonder of the world'' when it opened - has failed to attract enough gamblers to meet its debt load.

The Philadelphia Inquirer quoted sources inside the Trump Organization Friday as saying the New York developer needs a quick infusion of cash or a quick sale of his Trump Castle property to survive the winter.

Interest payments of $18.4 million and $16.1 million, respectively, were due Saturday for Trump Castle and his third Atlantic City gaming property, Trump Plaza. Both the Castle and the Plaza had barely enough cash to make the payments if all other expenses were ignored.

The developer has also been trying to sell his Trump Princess yacht, which has apparently failed to attract serious bidders. Compounding his financial problems, the Trump Shuttle airline has been hit by rising fuel costs.

If they turns Trump's plan down, the commissioners can either appoint a conservator or lift the Taj's license, spokesman Tom Flynn said.

The Atlantis Hotel and Casino, the only casino to lose its license because of financial problems, went out of business two years ago.

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#90348u1604 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 14) UPI - President Bush is still hopeful of a peaceful resolution to the Persian Gulf crisis. But two Republican senators say the president is willing to forgo direct U-S-Iraqi contacts if the circumstances are NOT worked out the way the United States wants. They say Bush is against setting a date for high-level talks that push too close to the U-N deadline for withdrawal from Kuwait.

White House spoeksman Marlin Fitzwater also maintains there's- quote- ''still plenty of time'' for a resolution to the standoff. But Fitzwater rejects

suggestions that the proposal for a meeting between Secretary of State Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is in jeopardy of collapsing. He says- ''We still want them.''

The last group of American and Canadian hostages from Kuwait and Iraq headed home today. A chartered plane left Frankfurt, Germany, carrying 48 people, 10 of them Canadian, en route to the United States. The flight is scheduled to arrive at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington this afternoon to a hero's welcome.

British news reports say the investigation of the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Scotland two years ago has turned up new evidence implicating Libya in the attack. London's Independent newspaper quotes ''high-level sources'' who say suspicion of Libyan involvement is based on an analysis of a detonator fragment found in a field near Lockerbie, where the plane crashed.

A federal jury in Charlotte, North Carolina, today order jailed T-V evangelist Jim Bakker to pay 129-Million dollars in a fraud and conspiracy lawsuit. The class-action suit was filed by contributors to Baker's defunct P-T-L ministry alleging that Bakker conspired with other P-T-L officials to set up secret accounts that gave him, his wife, Tammy Faye, and top P-T-L cohorts large salary bonuses.

A federal judge in Miami today put off deposed Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega's January trial until at least June. The judge said a high-level Justice Department delegation is being sent overseas to try to convince foreign governments to unfreeze Noriega's assets so he can defend himself against U-S drug charges.

President and Mrs. Bush are mailing 145-thousand Christmas cards. The cards feature a watercolor reproduction of the decorated Oval Office by New York interior designer Mark Hampton. It shows the Oval Office Christmas tree in full yuletide splendor with red bows and gold ornaments.

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#90348u1608 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Friday was 455.66, off 0.75 percent.
This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90348u1617 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 14) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
Atkinson (Guy F) Co				
Suspended				
Repap Enterprises Inc				
Stock				
York Financial Corp	..	5PC	1-17	1-9
Increased				
Amer Sowest Mtge Inv	Q	.23	1-15	12-31
Graco Inc	Q	.17	2-6	1-2
Kasler Corp	S	.06	1-15	12-28
Kleinwort Benson Aust	Q	.27	1-11	12-28
Raymond James Fncl	Q	.08	1-28	1-7
Scott & Stringfellow	Q	.07	1-15	1-1
Special				
Amer Sowest Mtge Inv	..	.18	1-15	12-31
Nortek Inc	..	.01	2-1	12-28
Distribution				
Winthrop Insured MI II	Q	.30	1-15	12-31
Usual				
Abbott Laboratories	Q	.21	2-15	1-15
CTS Corp	Q	.18 3/4	2-5	12-31
DS Bancorp	..	.30	1-15	12-31
EastGroup Properties	Q	.50	1-23	1-4
General Cinema Corp	Q	.12	1-31	1-14
General Cinema cl-A	Q	.12 3/4	1-31	1-14
General Cinema cl-B	Q	.108	1-31	1-14
Hudson Foods Inc cl-A	Q	.03	1-15	12-28
Hudson Foods Inc cl-B	Q	.02 1/2	1-15	12-28
Kenan Transport Co	Q	.05 1/4	1-15	12-31
Liqui-Box Corp	Q	.25	1-15	1-1
MacNeal-Schwendler	Q	.10	3-6	2-22
Mylan Laboratories	Q	.05	1-15	12-31
National Media Corp	Q	.02 1/2	1-15	12-31
Neutrogena Corp	A	.20	1-11	12-24
Nortek Inc	Q	.02 1/2	2-1	12-28
TJ International	Q	.10 1/2	1-9	12-28

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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#90348u1620 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
MUNICH, GERMANY (DEC. 14) UPI - David Wheaton jolted Ivan Lendl 6-2, 7-6 (7-4) Friday, setting up an all-American semifinals at the $6 million Grand Slam Cup.

Wheaton, ranked 27th, beat the world's No. 3 player with a strong first serve and brilliant returns in the closing quarterfinal match.

On Saturday, he will face Brad Gilbert, who earlier in the day beat Aaron Krickstein 6-7 (5-7), 6-4, 6-3. Michael Chang plays U.S. Open champion Pete Sampras in the second semifinal.

Wheaton's victory was the tournament's second big upset, following Chang's triumph Tuesday over Stefan Edberg, the world's No. 1 player.

In beating Lendl, Wheaton almost matched his career winnings of $480, 000. He and the three other semifinalists are assured $450,000. Sunday's winner will receive $2 million.

Before a crowd of 5,000 at Olympic Arena, Wheaton needed but 29 minutes to take the first set. Lendl converted less than half of his first serves in the set. Wheaton then attacked the Czechoslovakian's weak second serve, and had three breaks to show for his effort.

In the second set, Lendl missed two break points when up 2-1. When Wheaton could not convert two break chances, the players went to a tie- breaker, won 7-4 by Wheaton.

Gilbert, who entered the tournament as a substitute for injured Andre Agassi, beat Krickstein in a match marked by long baseline rallies, missed opportunities and 15 breaks. The encounter looked more like a duel on clay than one on a fast indoor surface.

After taking the first set, Krickstein rallied from a 3-1 deficit in the tie-breaker to win 7-5. He broke twice early in the second set, but both times Gilbert broke back. Gilbert forced a third set when Krickstein committed his second double-fault on set point.

In the final set, Krickstein twice went up one break. But, as in the previous set, he could not hold the lead. He lost all his service games in the set, while Gilbert held twice. The Californian ended the 2-hour, 41-minute match with his 11th ace.

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#90348u1622 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - The last group of American and Canadian hostages

from Kuwait and Iraq - including the U.S. ambassador in Kuwait City - arrived home Friday to a hero's welcome.

After 132 days in enforced residence in Kuwait and Iraq, the former hostages left Baghdad Thursday, spent the night in Frankfurt, Germany, and then flew to the United States, where they arrived at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., near Washington shortly before 4 p.m. EST.

The last flight from Baghdad Thursday carried 96 people to Frankfurt, but about half of them were foreign nationals who chose to remain in Europe. The final flight to the United States carried 48 former hostages, 10 of them Canadians.

Secretary of State James Baker attended the arrival ceremony, saying Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''deserves no thanks, no reward'' for releasing the hostages, some of whom were detained as ''human shields'' at military and industrial sites to deter an attack from U.S.-led forces aligned against Iraq.

''Your ordeal is over, but the ordeal of the Kuwaiti people continues,'' Baker told the former hostages, who stepped off a giant military transport plane into a clear and cold December afternoon before making their way to the warm embrace of family and friends gathered at the air base.

Baker described Saddam as an international outlaw and ''a vicious and capricious dictator.''

Included in the group that arrived in the United States was Ambassador Nathaniel Howell, who captained a spirited effort to keep the embassy open in defiance of an Iraqi order that all foreign embassies in Kuwait close down.

The embassy had its electricity cut off and Howell, about nine State Department employees and roughly 20 other Americans who fled Iraqi troops during the Aug. 2 invasion survived on spartan rations. They also used water from the compound's swimming pool for cooking and bathing.

Howell said he locked the gate and left the garrison flag flying over the compound and he vowed that it will be re-opened.

''Make no mistake, the only industry in Kuwait now is war,'' said Howell in remarks after landing at Andrews. He described the Iraqi troops as digging entrenchments in Kuwait and giving no sign that they are going to pull out.

The final flight means that about 2,550 Americans were airlifted out of Iraq aboard 15 chartered flights since early August. No more flights are planned, even if some of the remaining U.S. citizens should choose to leave Iraq or Kuwait, since regular commercial flights are now available to Amman.

Those flights are permitted under the United Nations economic embargo because

they are defined as humanitarian in nature.

Another approximately 800 Americans made it out of Kuwait and Iraq on their own, sometimes on perilous journeys through uncharted desert country.

Those approximately 500 U.S. citizens remaining behind are mainly the spouses of U.S. citizens. In some cases, the head of the household has dual Iraqi-U.S. nationality and, as an Iraqi citizen, would require an exit visa, which the Iraqi government refuses to issue.

Others are minor children, staying behind with their parents who have chosen to remain in Iraq.

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#90348u1681 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 14) UPI - Control Data said Friday the Bush administration has approved an export license allowing the company to ship a large, mainframe computer to China.

Control Data's CYBER 992 model computer is believed to be the highest performance computer the U.S. government has ever approved for sale to China. The Chinese government says the machine will be used by the State Meteorological Administration to improve regional weather forecasting.

The multilateral Coordinating Committee on Export Controls also must approve the sale before the export license can be issued. COCOM approval is expected early next year, and Control Data plans to install the computer in the first quarter of 1991.

The sale requires COCOM approval because it exceeds the present guidelines for China.

The present ''green line'' for China is PDR 550, or a processing data rate of 550 megabits per second; computers exceeding that limit must be approved by COCOM because of the possibility they could be used for military applications. The CYBER 992 is rated at a PDR of 2030.

Control Data said it expects the U.S. government to require security measures to insure its computer is dedicated to civilian weather forecasting.

''Control Data welcomes President Bush's decision to approve the CYBER 992 for this humanitarian application in China,'' said James E. Ousley, president of Control Data's Computer Products Group.

''Reliable weather forecasting is essential to the protection of life and property, particularly in China because of its severe weather patterns,'' Ousley said. ''Control Data pioneered the computer business in China in the

1970s. We are honored that the president's decision means the largest computer ever approved for China is a Control Data CYBER 992.''

The CYBER 992 is considered the minimum strength computer necessary for comprehensive weather forecasting.

Control Data currently has a smaller computer system, a CYBER 960, which is used for limited weather analysis by China's weather agency. The CYBER 960 will be used in conjunction with the new system.

It is estimated that in an average year, severe weather adversely affects about 200 million Chinese, and that about 1700 are killed in various weather disasters.

Forecasts made with the help of the new computer will be broadcast to civilian populations within and outside China, in both Chinese and English. In addition data and forecasts will be distributed to the world weather community to benefit other major weather centers.

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#90348u1683 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - The Dow industrials posted only a slight gain this week as worries about the economy and the prospects for a peaceful solution to the crisis in the Persian Gulf kept a lid on prices.

The Dow Jones industrial average lost 20.55 Friday to end the week at 2593.81 but managed to rise 3.71 on the week, a 0.15 percent gain.

Among broader market indexes, Standard & Poor's 500-stock index slid 0.93 to end the week at 326.82 and the New York Stock Exchange composite index slipped 0.36 over the week to end at 178.71.

Declines led advances 1,040-865 among the 2,183 NYSE issues traded this week. Weekly Big Board volume totaled 779,246,640 shares, down from 990,005,470 a week earlier and 927,760,970 shares a year ago.

Stocks closed slightly higher Monday in very dull trading as prospects for lower interest rates sparked a recovery from early weakness tied to renewed tough talk from Iraq on the Mideast crisis.

Weakness in technology issues dragged prices down modestly Tuesday. But the market rallied Wednesday, when rumblings of peace overtures by an Iraqi envoy sent oil prices down.

Prices closed mixed Thursday, with the Dow industrials pressured by a late jump in oil prices, and an unexpected jump in producer prices Friday sent the market down sharply.

With Wednesday a big gainer and Friday the biggest loser of the week, stocks finished flat. Analysts summed up the week as a pause, known in Wall Street parlance as consolidation.

''It wasn't a bad week for a week of correction and consolidation,'' said Alfred Goldman, market strategist at A.G. Edwards & Sons Inc. in St. Louis.

''We're working on the next bull market and coming out of a bear market, so we have a classically high level of skittishness. That keeps a lid on rallies and enthusiasm,'' Goldman said, calling this a sign of a healthy market.

''The world is still facing a lot of problems. The fact that the market is not shaking, rattling and rolling on the upside means it's operating intelligently '' he said, adding: ''This is a healthy market, a valid reflection of the state of the economy and the world.''

Goldman said that it looked as though stocks broke out of their consolidation when the Dow ran up 36 points Wednesday but that the market was still slightly ''overbought'' at that point.

Overall, Goldman was encouraged, however. ''The market still acts like there's not a lot of stock for sale, and people on the sidelines with cash are more aggressive than potential sellers. Momentum remains up, and I think we're going to get a Christmas present in the form of a rally,'' he said.

Don Hays, director of investment strategy at Wheat, First Securities Inc. in Richmond, Va., agreed.

''This was a pause to refresh, a healthy type of pause. Stocks that were up too much are backing off a little. I think the market is entering a two-week consolidation period,'' he said. ''It should last another week or week and a half. Then we might get a Santa Claus rally.''

On the trading floor this week, Occidental Petroleum was the most active issue off 1/4 to 20 5/8. The activity reflected rampant takeover speculation in the wake of the death of Dr. Armand Hammer, the company's longtime chairman.

AT&T followed, up 3/4 to 30 5/8. NCR rejected its $90-a-share hostile bid, but AT&T said it was determined to conclude a merger with NCR, which closed off 2 7/8 on the week to 88 7/8.

General Motors was third most active, off 3 1/4 to 33 1/4. The No. 1 automaker was cautious about its outlook in a year-end news conference this week, citing uncertainty about the situation in the Mideast.

Among other blue chips, IBM lost 1 1/4 to 111 1/4 and General Electric fell 1 7/8 to 55 5/8, but Philip Morris gained 5/8 to 50 5/8.

Elsewhere, Hilton Hotels surged 6 1/4 to 39 1/4, also amid renewed takeover speculation.

On the American Stock Exchange, the Amex Market Value index fell 0.71 to close Friday at 305.74. Declines led advances 480-319 among the 1,008 issues traded.

Amex volume totaled 53,900,470 shares, compared with 64,409,155 traded a week earlier and 70,777,430 traded in the same week a year ago.

Alza led the Amex actives, up 1 1/2 to 46 1/2.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index lost 2.71 to end the week at 368.83.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - A former close associate of accused S&L kingpin Charles Keating Jr. told a Senate panel Friday Keating contributed huge sums of money with the purpose of ''buying access'' to key politicians, but maintained Keating did not bribe favors from the so-called Keating Five senators.

James Grogan, vice president of Keating's failed Lincoln Savings and Loan of Irvine, Calif., and corporate counsel for the thrift's parent company, Phoenix-based American Continental Corp., testified under a grant of limited immunity during the 17th day of public hearings by the Senate ethics committee into the Keating Five affair.

Grogan, a Glenn aide in the 1970s who later accepted a $300,000 per year job with Keating, shed new light on important aspects of the influence-peddling case, in particular the conduct of Sen. Donald Riegle, D-Mich. His testimony followed two days of private questioning by the committee.

He said Riegle arranged a controversial 1987 meeting between the senators and bank regulators on Keating's behalf, but skipped the session because he knew it was a ''politically explosive situation.'' Grogan also said meetings with Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., often mixed fund-raising pitches from the senator and requests for action by Keating.

The panel is investigating whether Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., DeConcini, D-Ariz., John Glenn, D-Ohio, John McCain, R-Ariz., and Riegle improperly pressured bank regulators to benefit Keating.

Keating, who contributed $1.3 million to the senators' re-election campaigns and other pet causes, has been indicted on state securities and fraud charges in California and is the target of a continuing federal grand jury probe.

Grogan was one of seven Lincoln or American Continental figures, including Keating, who invoked their Constitutional right against self- incrimination in refusing to testify before the ethics panel.

But Grogan was compelled to testify and produce related documents under the limited immunity, granted by a U.S. District Court judge. In exchange, Grogan cannot be prosecuted on statements he makes before the committee. He is not facing any criminal charges.

''I don't pretend to be able to speak for Mr. Keating,'' Grogan cautioned. ''Mr. Keating is the only person who could tell you want was in his mind.''

He also said he maintains ''a rather strained relationship'' with Keating, with whom he has not spoken since leaving American Continental in June, because of Keating's dissatisfaction over Grogan's handling of bankruptcy matters.

In a statement given privately to the committee Thursday and released Friday, Grogan said: ''He (Keating) believed that it was very important to his business to have political contacts and to be able to get his point of view in front of powerful political people.''

Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., then pointed out, ''That's called buying influence.''

Grogan responded, ''I would draw a distinction between buying access and the ability to make your pitch and buying influence and the ability to actually have someone do something.''

Grogan pointed out that Cranston, who received about $974,000 in contributions from Keating, ''several times'' refused to take action desired by Keating. Grogan also said by nature of being an important constituent, Keating felt he already had solid access with DeConcini, Glenn and McCain without the contributions.

Helms pressed Grogan about the appearance of bribery, but Grogan said he never ''smelled the smallest whiff of the type of activity that you're talking about.''

Grogan Friday reinterated his ''buying access'' statements, but said he ''never got the impression'' that the senators would ''require a contribution'' to take action on Keating's behalf. He did state that senators ''only have so many hours in a day'' and that a contribution would give one ''a better chance'' to direct access.

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#90348u1723 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 14) UPI - Lockheed Corp. said Friday that Japan Airlines has invested in its new aircraft maintenance unit, seeking to take advantage of the growing number of Boeing 747 jumbo jets that will need modifications.

Under the agreement, the airline will provide 14 percent of the investment in Lockheed Commercial Aircraft Center, formed in July to perform maintenance and modification on the Boeing jets.

Analysts have endorsed Lockheed's move, saying the business area has significant growth potential.

The center, scheduled to open at Norton Air Force Base about 50 miles east of Los Angeles during the first quarter next year, is expected to employ 450 workers by the end of 1991, with that number growing to 1,000 by 1994.

''The increasing fleet size of 747 aircraft and the continued use of older aircraft has created a situation where available qualified facilities are in short supply,'' said Gary Bowring, president of the Lockheed unit.

JAL has the world's largest fleet of 747s, with 67 in service, and has placed orders for 64 of the newest 747-400 version. Of the 64, firm orders have been placed for 30; the remainder are on option.

Akio Nakamura, managing director and senior vice president of JAL, said: ''We anticipate that a significant number of our 747 aircraft will require maintenance and modification in the future.''

The deal also calls for one JAL executive to sit on the five-member board of the Lockheed unit and for some of its technical instructors, engineers and inspectors to work at Norton.

Lockheed will occupy two bays of a four-bay hangar until 1994, when the Air Force is scheduled to leave the base, and then take over the other two bays.

Lockheed, whose record in the aircraft modification and maintenance dates back to 1938, operates the Lockheed Aeromod facility in Greenville, S.C., and recently dedicated a new facility in Tucson, Ariz.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 14) UPI - Los Angeles Lakers All-Star forward James Worthy pleaded no contest to charges of solicitation of prostitution and was put on probation for one year and fined $500, court officials said Friday.

Worthy, 29, notified Harris County Court-at-Law officials that he was ready to plead no contest and he entered that plead to the misdemeanor Thursday, attorneys said.

He also was sentenced to perform 40 hours of community service.

Worthy, the Lakers' leading scorer, was arrested Nov. 15 after he allegedly called an escort service from his hotel room and requested two women. Police said phone calls to the escort service were being monitored by the vice squad.

Two female undercover oficers went to the hotel where Worthy allegedly offered to pay both of them for sex, said police spokesman Dan Turner.

Worthy, a native of Gastonia, N.C., was taken to the jail where he posted $1,000 bond. He arrived at the Summit late in the first half of the game, helping the Lakers to a 108-103 overtime victory against the Rockets.

Court officials said no court action was scheduled this week on the case but it was put onto the docket after Worthy indicated he wanted to plead no contest.

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#90348u1766 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

YONKERS, NY (DEC. 14) UPI - A lion was found living in the back of an automobile repair shop Friday, and the business' owner told authorities an unknown man had dropped the animal off four days earlier and had not returned.

Lt. Vincent Fontana of Yonkers Police, said the animal, which appears to be about one year old, was discovered by Sgt. Brian Hill in the back room of Yonkers Transmission, 440 Sawmill River Road, at 4 p.m.

''Beginning last week we started getting many calls from people reporting they had heard a lion roaring,'' Fontana said.

''We get many calls from people saying they've heard lion roaring and these things usually turn out to be nothing to all,'' he said. ''But this time there was something to it.''

''Hill approached the auto shop's owner, Pat Tartaglione, 29, and was told, 'Yeah, it's true - I do have a lion.'''

Tartaglione said an unknown man had left the lion, whose gender was unknown, at the shop on Monday and had promised to retrieve the creature soon.

''During the four days the animal was at the shop the owner fed the creature raw meat,'' Fontana said.

Fontana said the lion had no collar but was kept in a secured area. ''If people went into their shop to get their transmission repaired they probably wouldn't have gotten bitten.''

The policemen said authorities would continue to question Tartaglione.

Yonkers Police turned the matter over to the ASPCA which ordered the animal brought to the society's ''animalport,'' at John F. Kennedy International Airport.

Kathi Travers, director of the animalport said ''I just got rid of one lion, and now I've got another.''

On Monday Travers accompanied, ''Herman'' - a declawed male lion that a Brooklyn family had tried to raise as a pet - to the Endangered Species Survival Center in Lumberton, Miss.

''There seems to be an oubreak of lions in New York,'' the woman said. ''Lions don't belong here. They belong in the jungle... and I don't mean the concrete kind.''

Travers said she understood the lion found in Yonkers had not been declawed, adding ''it will be easier to find a home for this one. It was hard to find a place for Herman because he had no claws.''

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#90348u1790 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

TUCSON, Ariz. (DEC. 14) UPI - Bankrupt sunglasses producer Foster Grant Corp. said Friday that it has been sold to The Bonneau Co. for an undisclosed price in a bankruptcy court transaction.

Bonneau, a privately held corporation based in Dallas, said Foster Grant will continue to operate with its headquarters in Tucson, Ariz. and its manufacturing plant in Nogales, Mexico. The company has about 150 employees.

Foster Grant, which has yearly sales of about $35 million in the low- end sunglasses market, filed for Chapter 11 federal bankruptcy protection last Aug. 16, listing $27 million in assets and $60 million in liabilities.

David Moore, the company's marketing director, said that the sale was approved in bankruptcy court in Tucson late Thursday for a price of more than $4 million. The closing documents for the transaction were signed Friday.

Moore said Foster Grant is the nation's leading brand in sunglasses sold for under $30 per pair, while Bausch & Lomb's Ray Ban brand is the leader in the high-end market.

Bonneau is a 25-year-old sunglasses importer and distributor, with about $50 million in annual sales. It acquired Pennsylvania Optical in 1986 and said it has returned that company to profitability and doubled its sales since then.

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#90348u1876 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - The following is Money Magazine's Small Investor Index (Dec. 31, 1989 average equals 100):

This week 102.74, up 0.28 or 0.27 percent, compared with 102.46 the previous week.

The week's change for each asset:

Category	PC Chg. Index	PC Chg. Week Ago	PC Chg. Year Ago
Stocks			
Blue chips	97.29	up 0.15	off 2.69
Small stocks	82.56	off 0.23	off 16.98
Equity funds	94.90	up 0.39	off 4.85
Bonds			
Taxable bonds	108.28	up 1.01	up 8.03
Municipal bonds	108.67	up 0.34	up 8.41
Bond funds	101.68	up 0.57	up 1.22
Cash			
CDs	107.59	up 0.14	up 7.91
Money funds	105.74	up 0.11	up 5.98
Other			
Real estate	101.91	up 0.08	up 1.97
Gold	78.59	off 1.14	off 23.29

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 14) UPI - A reputed major cocaine trafficker and successor to the ''king'' of the Bolivian cocaine trade controlled a massive cartel which resorted to kidnapping, beatings and murder to protect its business interests, indictments unsealed Friday said.

Jorge Roca Suarez, 38, described by authorities as the highest- ranking cocaine cartel member in U.S. custody, is charged with 30 felonies alleging he headed a vast organization which employed 300 to 400 workers.

Roca's organization, known as ''La Corporacion'' or the ''Santa Ana Cartel,'' had drug ports in the United States, Boliva, Colombia, Panama and Mexico, federal Drug Enforcement Administration spokesman Ralph Lochridge said.

Roca, 38, was arrested Thursday at his plush 19-room house in the affluent suburb of San Marino, northeast of Los Angeles. His wife, Cirila Roca, 38, and two sisters also were taken into custody.

Lochridge said that Roca's status, as a member of an international cartel and the head of his own organization, exceeds that of famed kingpins Carlos Ledher and Juan Ramon Matta Ballesteros, both of whom are in federal custody.

''He's the highest ranking cartel member (in U.S. custody),'' Lochridge said. ''It would be like the chairman of the board.''

One of two indictments unveiled Friday specifically states that Roca ''would, both directly and indirectly, utilize and resort to threats, violence, kidnapping, beatings and murder to facilitate and promote the profitable operation of this continuing criminal enterprise.''

Targets of these crimes allegedly included Roca's ''co-conspirators, business associates and other individuals to whom he owed money ... so as to avoid having to pay his debts,'' the indictment said.

In addition to the arrests, authorities filed several civil suits Friday seeking the seizure of homes and other real estate owned by Roca or his family in the San Gabriel Valley, San Bernardino County and other parts of Southern California. The property is valued at $8 million.

An 18-count indictment in San Diego and one charging 12 felonies in Los Angeles allege that, in 1981, Roca began learning the ropes of the drug business from his uncle, Bolivian cocaine king Roberto Gomez Suarez.

Roca catapulted to the the top of the trade, garnering his own cartel within five years, the indictments said.

Roca, his wife and two sisters appeared Friday in federal court in Los Angeles but detention proceedings were postponed until Dec. 21. Meanwhile, the defendants were being held without bail.

The indictments accuse Roca of ''being a principle leader of a continuing criminal enterprise,'' which carries a mandatory life- without-parole prison term, and of conspiring to manufacture, possess and distribute narcotics, among other charges.

DEA officials said Roca took over the family drug operation by dealing on his own with the Colombian drug cartels, supplying them with semi-refined cocaine paste from the Chapare region of Bolivia at prices lower than those charged by his uncle.

The indictment alleges that Roca ran a cut-throat cartel which used violence and threats to maintain smooth operations and bribed government and law enforcment officials in Boliva and Mexico to secure ''protection'' from prosecution.

Roca allegedly bribed members of a Bolivian National Police squad known as the

''Leopardos,'' a paramilitary anti-narcotics enforcement group, to use radio bases to monitor law enforcment activity in order to evade detection from the DEA and police.

The San Diego indictment alleges Roca operated ''clandestine cocaine laboratories scattered throughout the jungles of Bolivia, each capable of producing (440 pounds) of cocaine per day, along with numerous concealed cocaine storage locations, each having a (plane) landing strip nearby.''

Gomez Suarez currently is serving a 15-year sentence in Bolivia on drug charges. The patriarch of a respected cattle-ranching family, Gomez Suarez became known in the 1970s and early 1980s as the ruler of Bolivia's biggest cocaine-trafficking empire and the ''king of cocaine'' in that country.

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#90348u2064 12/14/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 15) UPI - The college basketball season kicks into high gear Saturday with several key matchups, including No. 1 Nevada-Las Vegas playing No. 18 Michigan State in Auburn Hills, Mich.

Saturday's other top games include: No. 17 Alabama at No. 10 North Carolina, Loyola-Marymount at No. 13 Oklahoma and co-No. 21 Georgia Tech at Temple.

In Friday games, No. 11 Georgia bounced Miami 78-60 and No. 25 Nebraska downed Tennessee Tech 113-92 in the Ameritas Classic in Lincoln, Neb.

The defending national champion Runnin' Rebels will get their first test of the young season against the Spartans, who have struggled this year.

UNLV, 2-0, has been impressive so far, posting decisive victories over Alabama-Birmingham and Nevada-Reno by an average of 45 points.

The Spartans meanwhile, have won two straight after dropping consecutive games to Nebraska and Bowling Green after opening the season with a victory over Furman.

The game will feature three of the best players in the country, UNLV forwards Larry Johnson and Stacy Augmon and Michigan State swingman Steve Smith.

At Chapel Hill, N.C., the 10th-rated Tar Heels will be playing their second straight Southeastern Conference opponent in No. 17 Alabama. North Carolina used a second-half rally to down Kentucky earlier in the week.

Alabama, 2-2, which has played poorly on defense in losses to Southern Mississippi and Wichita State, will need to improve on its woeful free-throw shooting (55 percent) to win.

It promises to be a high-scoring game in Norman, Okla. when Loyola- Marymount, averaging 114 points per game while giving up 123, takes on the Sooners.

Oklahoma, 7-1, has won six straight since a loss to No. 2 Arkansas, and the Sooners are unbeaten in their last 53 games at Lloyd Noble Center.

Two of the best guards in the country will be on the floor in Philadelphia when Temple plays Georgia Tech. Kenny Anderson, the Yellow Jackets' sophomore sensation, will go head-to-head with the Owls' Mark Macon.

In other games involving teams in the UPI Top 25 on Saturday, No. 3 Syracuse hosts Long Beach State; No. 5 Georgetown hosts Texas-El Paso; sixth-ranked UCLA visits No. 24 DePaul; No. 7 Indiana plays Western Michigan; No. 9 Ohio State is at American; No. 14 St. John's welcomes Howard; No. 16 Pittsburgh plays Robert Morris; co-No. 19 Southern Mississippi takes on Northeast Louisiana, co-No. 21 New Mexico State plays New Mexico and No. 23 East Tennessee State is at George Mason.

No. 2 Arkansas, No. 4 Arizona, No. 8 Duke, No. 12 Louisiana State, No. 15 Connecticut, and co-No. 19 South Carolina are all idle.

In Friday's action at Miami, Litterial Green scored 18 points and No. 11 Georgia kept Miami winless with the victory. Georgia, 5-1, which had been averaging 94 points per game in their first six games, struggled against Miami's deliberate style but managed to take an 11-point lead at the half and coasted the rest of the way. The Hurricanes, 0-5, are off to their worst start since 1939-40. Joe Wylie and Jerome Scott led Miami with 16 points each.

At Lincoln, Neb., junior Carl Hayes scored 18 points to lead seven Nebraska players in double figures and the No. 25 Cornhuskers took the opening game of the Ameritas Classic. Nebraska, 8-1, advanced to Saturday's final where it will play the winner of Friday's second game between Bowling Green and Alabama State.

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(DEC. 15) UPI - How the UPI Top 25 has fared this week:

1. Nevada-Las Vegas (2-0) plays Saturday vs. Michigan State at Auburn Hills, Mich.

2. Arkansas (8-1) defeated South Alabama 101-91.

3. Syracuse (8-0) defeated Canisius 92-83; plays Saturday vs. Long Beach State.

4. Arizona (7-1) is idle all week.

5. Georgetown (6-0) defeated St. Leo 75-45; plays Saturday vs. Texas-El Paso.

6. UCLA (6-0) plays Saturday at DePaul.

7. Indiana (7-1) plays Saturday vs. Western Michigan.

8. Duke (6-2) is idle all week.

9. Ohio State (5-0) defeated Wright State 90- 60; plays Saturday at American.

10. North Carolina (5-1) defeated Kentucky 84-81; plays Saturday vs. Alabama.

11. Georgia (6-1) lost to Vanderbilt 75-74 in overtime; defeated Miami-Fla. 78-60.

12. Louisiana State (4-1) is idle all week.

13. Oklahoma (7-1) defeated Coppin State 98- 79; plays Saturday vs. Loyola Marymount.

14. St. John's (7-0) defeated Brooklyn 57-47; plays Saturday vs. Howard.

15. Connecticut (5-1) defeated New Hampshire 85-32.

16. Pittsburgh (6-1) plays Saturday vs. Robert Morris.

17. Alabama (2-2) plays Saturday at North Carolina.

18. Michigan State (3-2) defeated Cincinnati 65-63; plays Saturday vs. Nevada-Las Vegas at Auburn Hills, Mich.

19. (tie) South Carolina (7-1) defeated Charleston Southern 69-51; defeated Furman 93-52.

19. (tie) Southern Mississippi (2-1) plays Saturday vs. Northeast Louisiana.

21. (tie) New Mexico State (5-1) plays Saturday vs. New Mexico.

21. (tie) Georgia Tech (4-1) plays Saturday at Temple.

23. East Tennessee State (6-1) plays Saturday at George Mason.

24. DePaul (4-1) lost to Louisville 94-75; plays Saturday vs. UCLA.

25. Nebraska (8-1) defeated Wisconsin 75-63; defeated Tennessee Tech 113-92 in the Ameritus Classic.

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#90348u2075 12/14/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 14) UPI - President Bush today stood firm on the dates he's given Iraq for direct talks. Bush says he's offered 15 dates up to and including January 3rd for the talks and will NOT be party to what he called ''Saddam Hussein's manipulation'' to get around a January 15th deadline to get out of Kuwait.

The last group of American and Canadian hostages from Kuwait and Iraq are back on U-S soil. The former hostages arrived at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington this afternoon to a hero's welcome. Secretary of State Baker was on hand to welcome them.

President Bush today nominated outgoing Illinois congresswoman Lynn Martin to replace Elizabeth Dole as labor secretary. In making the announcement at the White House, Bush described Martin as a ''devoted public servant and a cherished friend.'' The nomination is subject to Senate confirmation.

Authorities say autopsy reports conclude the deaths of 12 people who died during a religious ceremony in a house in Tijuana, Mexicao, were caused by a gas leak from a butane lamp. The leak also put five other people in a coma.

President Bush says he's looking into a controversial ruling by the Education Department banning race-based scholarships. The ruling says scholarships designated for a particular minority or race by a university receiving federal funds will be considered illegal.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - President Bush says he won't be party to what he called Saddam Hussein's ''manipulation'' to get around a January 15th deadline to get out of Kuwait. Bush told reporters at a White House news conference- ''That deadline is real.'' The president says he's offered 15 dates up to and including January 3rd for direct U- S-Iraqi peace talks and indicates he's NOT budging from that position. Iraq wants a proposed meeting between Secretary of State Baker and the Iraqi president to take place January 12th, just three days before the U-N deadline for its withdrawal from Kuwait.

The last group of American and Canadian hostages to be airlifted from Kuwait and Iraq arrived home today to a hero's welcome. The 48 former hostages- including the U-S ambassador in Kuwait City and 10 Canadians- landed at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington late this afternoon. Secretary of State Baker told the group Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ''deserves NO thanks NO reward'' for releasing the hostages.

President Bush's decision today to nominate Illinois congresswoman Lynn Martin as labor secretary is drawing fire from the AFL-CIO. Union President Lane Kirkland says Martin's 10-year voting record in the House failed to show what

he called a sensitivity toward workers. Bush nominated Martin to replace Elizabeth Dole as labor secretary and as the only woman in his cabinet.

N-C-R Corporation is rejecting a six-BILLION-dollar hostile takeover bid by American Telephone and Telegraph Company. The nation's fifth largest computer firm says it has filed suit charging A-T-and-T of making false statements in its filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. It says the A-T-and-T filings failed to disclose that the tender offer is conditional upon N-C-R's board of directors approving a friendly transaction with the communications giant. The suit says A-T- and-T also omitted information concerning its failure in the computer industry.

Authorities say 12 members of a religious sect who were found dead in Tijuana, Mexico, yesterday were asphixiated by a gas leak. A police spokeswoman says autopsy reports conclude the deaths were caused by a gas leak from a butane lamp. The 12 died during a religious ceremony in a small house near downtown. The leak also rendered five other people comatose, including the 72-year spiritual leader of the sect.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - President Bush says Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is trying to manipulate to get around the January 15th deadline to leave Kuwait. Bush says he's offered 15 different dates for the talks between Saddam and Secretary of State Baker- up to and including January 3rd. But he says Iraq has proposed only one date, January 12th. And Bush says that's too close to the United Nations deadline for Saddam to withdraw his troops from Kuwait.

President Bush's decision to nominate outgoing Illinois congresswoman Lynn Martin to replace Elizabeth Dole as labor secretary is drawing mixed reaction. The announcement drew a swift and negative reaction from the nation's largest labor federation with more 14 Million members. AFL- CIO President Lane Kirkland charged that Martin's 10-year voting record in Congress ''has NOT reflected a sensitivity to the needs of workers.''

But Massachusetts Senator Edward Kennedy commended Martin on her nomination, saying the Labor Department needs a strong secretary who's- quote- ''willing to stand up for hard-pressed families against a constant pro-business tilt of the White House.''

The government today offered further evidence of a recession. It reported that industrial production fell last month to a nearly nine- year low while producer prices and inventory levels rose. Several economists say the battery of economic indicators show the economy is mired in recession. Peter Radford, chief economist at National Westminster Bank in New York, said- quote- ''I think we're past the point of quibbling about whether we're in a recession or not. The question now is how far.''

A probate judge in Carthage, Missouri, today ruled the parents of a 33-year-old comatose woman may remove the surgically implanted tube that provides her with food and water to allow their daughter to die. The decision apparently ends the controversial right-to-die case for the parents of Nancy Cruzan. She has been in a persistent vegetative state since suffering severe brain damage in an automobile accident on January 11th, 1983.

New York authorities say an armored truck guard was shot to death today during a payroll robbery at J-F-K International Airport. Authorities say two gunmen wearing American Airlines uniforms shot the 47-year-old guard as he emerged from the truck outside the American Airlines hanger with a bag containing 65-thousand dollars. The gunmen grabbed the bag and fled in a blue getaway car.

The Senate ethnics committee heard more testimony today in the influence-peddling case against the so-called Keating Five senators. A former close associate of accused S-and-L kingpin Charles Keating today revealed Michigan Senator Donald Riegle's role in the case. James Grogan says Riegle set up the controversial 1987 meeting between the five senators and bank regulators on Keating's behalf. But Grogan says Riegle skipped the session because he knew it was a ''politically explosive situation.''

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Andrews Air Force Base this afternoon. Ambassador Nathaniel Howell was on the plane. Hew said when he left the embassy in Kuwait, the American flag was still flying. Howell said he destroyed all the embassy documents before he left. In his words... ''Make NO mistake. The only industry in Kuwait now is war.''

The Navy says it is keeping service members on active duty after their scheduled departure date. It's the second announcement of this kind since Operation Desert Shield began. Today's announcement affects eight categories of medical service personnel, such as doctors, nurses and oral surgeons. The first time, the only ones affected were Navy personnel committed to Marine Corps units assigned to Operation Desert Shield.

The Soviet and South Korean presidents signed a joint declaration today. Mikhail Gorbachev and Roh Tae Woo vow to build on new relations between their nations without harming their ties with other countries such as communist North Korea. Seoul and Moscow established diplomatic ties earlier this year. Roh is visiting Moscow.

The European Community will send emergency food aid to the Soviet Union to prevent winter famine. E-C leaders reached agreement on the aid today at their summit conference in Rome. But they are still debating just how much to send. It could total one-BILLION dollars in grants and credits. was still being debated.

The new British prime minister, John Major, made his debut today at the European Community summit. Major stressed his determination for Britain to play a positive role in Europe's future. In his words... ''I don't think anyone in the Community wants a confrontation.'' But Major said he shared Margaret Thatcher's opposition to a single European currency and some other aspects of E-C policy.

A prosecutor says he WON'T appeal a judge's dismissal of a murder charge against the doctor who invented a suicide machine. The case against Dr. Jack Kevorkian of Royal Oak, Michigan, was thrown out yesterday. Oakland County Prosecutor Richard Thompson said today he WON'T appeal. But he said the Michigan Legislature should end confusion over assisted suicides. A woman with Alzheimer's disease used the suicide machine to kill herself.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - President Bush got after Saddam Hussein today. Bush said the Iraqi leader is trying to avoid a January 15th deadline for withdrawing his troops from Kuwait by stalling on a meeting with Secretary of State Baker. Bush said he WON'T be a party to Saddam's... as Bush put it... ''manipulation.''

A court document UNsealed in Miami today says Eastern Airlines routinely falsified maintenance records. An investigator for the U-S attorney in New York, Anthony Valenti, filed the document. He said falsification of Eastern's records was still going on as recently as last month.

The project manager of the Ulysses space probe says Ulysses is wobbling slightly. But manager Willis Meeks says NASA engineers and scientists are confident they can minimize the impact on the exploration of the sun.

Poland's prime minister, Tadeusz Mazowiecki, formally resigned today. And President-elect Lech Walesa is working on forming a new government. One of Walesa's new powers is choosing the prime minister.

International observers predict Sunday's presidential election in Haiti will be fair. One observer says the presence of the international team will make a difference. A former priest and a former World Bank economist are running.

Hungarian Prime Minister Jozsef Antall shuffled his coalition government today. And tomorrow, Antall will face dissent at his party's congress. He's accused of being slow in healing Hungary's economic ills.

The chief minister of a state in India riddled by Moslem-Hindu violence resigned today. Nearly 200 people have been killed in a week of strife in India's Uttar Pradesh state.

Rioting rocked Panama City for the second straight day today. Panamanian riot police fired at protesters demonstrating against massive firings of public workers. Protesters tried to grab legislators who approved the firings.

Violence erupted in Fes, Morocco, today. Dozens are reported killed in clashes between rioting strikers and police. Unions are demanding higher wages in the North African nation.

Violent student demonstrations erupted in Athens today. Police used batons and tear gas to disperse students who were protesting legislation to curb absenteeism in Greek schools.

The first woman to head a major police department in the nation... Elizabeth Watson of Houston... gave birth to a baby today. Chief Watson and her third child are reported in good condition.

Polar adventurer Ann Bancroft said today she and four companions will try to become the first women to transverse Antarctica. They plan to make the 17-hundred-mile trek on skis... without dogsleds or motorized vehicles.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - It's NOT all work and NO play for the G-I's involved in Operation Desert Shield. The Pentagon says it has leased a cruise ship for R-and-R for the troops. The Cunard Princess can hold about 800 troops at a time. They can't drink in Saudi Arabia but they will be able to buy liquor on the ship. Otherwise, their two- and three-night stays will be free.

A third straight day of wintry storms in the Rocky Mountains piled up 16 inches of snow in Utah and 14 inches in Wyoming. Winds up to 70 miles an hour hit the east side of the mountains. The storm moved eastward late in the day... spreading snow to the upper Mississippi Valley. Snow also fell over the Cascade and Sisyiyou mountains of Oregon and Washington.

There's a new sign of risk for the holders of life insurance policies in the current economic downturn. Moody's Investors Service downgraded its ratings on five major insurance companies and the debt of a sixth. The five insurers Moody's singled out for lower ratings are... the Equitable Life Assurance Society and an Equitable subsidiary, Mutual Life Insurance and Mutual Benefit Life Insurance, and Home Life Insurance.

Federal drug officials in Los Angeles say a reputed major cocaine trafficker and successor to the ''king'' of the Bolivian cocaine trade has been charged with 30 felonies in the United States. He was arrested in his 19-room house in the L-A suburb of San Marino. One official says the trafficker's organization was known as the ''Santa Ana Cartel.''

A Family Court judge in New York City today ordered a 14-year-old neighborhood bully kept in a ''secure'' facility for the first year of a three-year term of state custody. He set fire to a frail Brooklyn schoolboy whose plight won national attention. The 12-year-old victim was burned over half of his body.

Two prosecution witnesses testified that a wealthy Brazilian rancher and his son plotted to kill an ecologist and labor leader for his work in trying to save the Amazon rain forest. And in another sector of Brazil, gunmen killed another labor leader in the same fashion as the 1988 shotgun slaying of the ecologist. But officials say the killings are apparently NOT related.

Police in Yonkers, New York, say they get a lot of calls from people who said they heard a lion roaring. But a surge of calls in the past week sent police to a car repair shop. Police found a lion in the back of the shop. Its owner said a man left the lion four days ago... and has NOT returned. The lion was taken to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals' shelter at the Kennedy airport, where the director said he'd just gotten rid of another lion.

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WOODSTOCK, VT (DEC. 14) UPI - New England Ski Areas Council official summary of snow conditions at New England ski areas as of 7 a.m. Dec. 14, 1990.

Skiing conditions are subject to change due to weather, skier traffic, and other factors. Be aware of changing conditions.

Legend: new-inches of new snow snowfall ending in last 24 hours, pdr-powder snow, pp-packed powder, wet gr-wet granular, lsgr-loose granular, frgr-frozen granular, corn-corn snow, mgs-machine groomed surface (where two such terms appear, the former shows conditions on 70 percent or more terrain, and the latter the next-most-prevalent condition) vc-variable conditions, sc-spring conditions xx of 00 trails-number of trails open, sm-snow made in last 24 hours, tc-thin cover, wbln-windblown snow, var-variable, ns-night skiing available, no-not operating, opr-operating.

Connecticut

Mohawk Mtn new pp / 5- 15 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

Powder Ridge new lsgr / 5- 18 base 3 trails 2 lifts ns

Woodbury new pp / 5- 15 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm ns

Massachusetts

Brodie Mtn new pp / 8- 30 base 5 trails 3 lifts sm ns

Jiminy Peak new pp /lsgr 12- 32 base 7 trails 2 lifts sm ns

Nashoba Valley new lsgr /frgr 8- 17 base 2 trails 2 lifts ns

Wachusett Mtn new pp / 8- 36 base 3 trails 3 lifts sm ns

Maine

Mt. Abram new pp /lsgr 6- 36 base 8 trails 2 lifts sm

Shawnee Peak new pp / 6- 24 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm ns

Sugarloaf/usa new pp /lsgr 6- 44 base 26 trails 5 lifts sm

Sunday River new pp / 18- 40 base 31 trails 5 lifts sm

New Hampshire

Attitash new pp / 12- 72 base 5 trails 2 lifts sm

Cannon Mtn new lsgr / 6- 18 base 6 trails 3 lifts sm

King Pine new pp / 6- 12 base 2 trails 2 lifts

King Ridge new pp / 6- 18 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Loon Mountain new wetgr /lsgr 8- 14 base 5 trails 3 lifts sm

Mt. Sunapee new lsgr /pp 4- 24 base 3 trails 1 lifts sm

Ragged Mtn new lsgr /frgr 4- 24 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Waterville Vly 2 new pp /lsgr 7- 16 base 10 trails 5 lifts sm

Wildcat Mtn 2 new lsgr / 22- 53 base 10 trails 2 lifts

New York

Deer Run pp / 2- 16 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Gore Mountain 1 new pp /frgr 10- 30 base 4 trails 4 lifts sm

Hunter Mountain new pp /lsgr 8- 49 base 28 trails 13 lifts sm

Peek N Peak 1 new pp / 6- 36 base 2 trails 1 lifts sm ns

Ski Windham new pp /lsgr 8- 41 base 10 trails 3 lifts

Whiteface new lsgr /frgr 2- 26 base 6 trails 3 lifts sm

Pennsylvania

Blue Mountain new pp / 14- 18 base 2 trails 1 lifts sm ns

Seven Springs new lsgr / 0- 18 base 5 trails 2 lifts

Shawnee Mtn new pp / 10- 25 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm

Vermont

Ascutney Mtn new pp /lsgr 4- 24 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Bolton Valley 3 new pp / 10- 30 base 222 trails 5 lifts sm ns

Bromley Mtn new lsgr / 4- 20 base 6 trails 4 lifts sm

Burke Mountain 2 new pp /lsgr 5- 20 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm

Jay Peak new lsgr /frgr 4- 26 base 16 trails 3 lifts sm

Killington new pp /lsgr 16- 30 base 34 trails 11 lifts sm

Magic Mountain new pp / 14- 28 base 10 trails 3 lifts sm

Middlebury Snob new pp / 4- 24 base 2 trails 1 lifts sm

Mt. Snow new lsgr / 12- 24 base 27 trails 6 lifts sm

Okemo Mountain 1 new pp /lsgr 16- 24 base 32 trails 9 lifts sm

Pico new pp /lsgr 10- 30 base 7 trails 4 lifts sm

Smugglers Notch 1 new frgr / 4- 24 base 7 trails 2 lifts sm

Stowe 1 new lsgr /frgr 10- 36 base 8 trails 4 lifts sm

Stratton Mtn new lsgr / 15- 26 base 16 trails 6 lifts sm

Sugarbush new lsgr /vc 15- 48 base 18 trails 5 lifts sm

Suicide Six new pp / - 24 base 3 trails 1 lifts

New England winter sports outlook: Sunny today. Highs from teens to 30s north to south. Tonight lows in single digits and teens. Saturday cloudy, snow and rain expected to spread northward Saturday afternoon. Highs Saturday in 20s

and 30s.

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#90348x0806 12/14/1990 ~Comtex

NEW YORK (DEC. 14) UPI - ''Peter Pan'' is an enduring musical of questionable merit that must be endured one more time on Broadway for the sake of the holiday season.

This is a time to take the kids to the theater and ''Peter Pan'' is a show tailor-made for children who have not yet reached the age of critical analysis.

The limited run revival, which opened at the Lunt-Fontanne Theater Thursday, stars one-time Olympic gymnast Cathy Rigby, which may or may not be worth the $50 price of admission according to your memories of Peter Pans of yesteryear.

Mary Martin was sheer sparkling magic in the role of the boy who wouldn't grow up in the 1954 premiere of ''Peter Pan'' and Sandy Duncan brought her own brand of toothy charm to the 1979 revival.

Rigby outshines both in giving the illusion of maleness to Peter and neither Martin or Duncan had the physical ability or stamina to fly about the stage on a wire with Rigby's energetic abandon.

The athlete-turned-actress makes an attractive Peter and her voice is pleasant enough though overmiked as is the entire show, making it the noisiest currently on Broadway. What she lacks is an ethereal quality that this show about childhood dreams requires. She is a literal actress and what you see is what you get.

Stephen Hanan, who doubles as the father of the Darling brood and Captain Hook has the style for this sort of outrageous fantasy that eludes Rigby. His Mr. Darling strikes an off note but his egocentric, insane pirate is a character creation in the great tradition of bravura comedy that puts no limits on eye rolling and eccentric gesture and speech.

Cindy Robinson is quite fetching as Wendy Darling, the little girl who becomes the Neverland mother of the tribe of Lost Boys, and Brit West and Chad Hutchison are stalwart as her brothers. Lauren Thompson is lovely as Mrs. Darling and Bill Bateman is adorable in his furry disguise as Nana, the Darling's nanny dog.

In a large cast that includes Red Indians as well as pirates, Holly Irwin is adorably simple-minded as Tiger Lilly, the Indian princess, and Don Potter is a hoot as Hook's sidekick, Mr. Smee, although his brogue is too exaggerated to be understood. Barry Ramsey handles the crocodile's antics with skill.

This 35th anniversary production of ''Peter Pan'' has been on the road for

just a year, but seems no worse for wear. Mariann Verheyen's imaginative costumes seem fresh and the nursery of the Darling's London House is a Victorian confection, dreamily lit by Natasha Katz.

The curtains painted with scenes of London from the air, as the flying Peter and his little Darlings would see them, are most effective. But designer James Leonard Joy stumbled when it came to Neverland which is too garish in the Las Vegas sense of that word, throbbing with violent colors and cluttered with an overkill of rocks and trees.

For this revival, there have been some dialogue restorations from Sir James Barrie's original play and the transitions into musical numbers have been made less abrupt. The first act still drags and the second act still needs editing, but no one ever claimed this was one of Broadway's great musicals.

The original words and music by Carolyn Leigh and Moose Charlap, at there best in ''I'm Flying,'' with additional lyrics by Betty Comden and Adolph Green and additional music by Jule Styne are serviceable and in the case of Styne's ''Neverland,'' memorable.

If you've never seen ''Peter Pan,'' this production ably directed by Fran Soeder is worth a visit.

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#90349d0830 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MUSCAT, (DEC 15) - An Iranian military delegation arrived here Saturday for talks with senior Omani officials on bilateral relations and issues of mutual concern, it was reported here.

Muscat Radio said the delegation, headed by Brigadier Ali Ghafar, the undersecretary at the Iranian Defence Ministry, comprised the assistant Navy commander for naval operations, the director general of manpower forces and the chief of the war and defence industrialisation.

Since its eight-year war with Iraq ended in August 1988, Iran has sought to improve its relations with Gulf states which had provided Baghdad with huge financial aid during that war.

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#90349d0880 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING, (DEC 15) - The Beijing Jeep Corporation Ltd. (BJC) increased exports in the 11 months of this year by 12 per cent to 3.8 million dollars compared with the same period last year, the New China News Agency (NCNA) said Saturday.

BJC, a joint venture between China's Beijing Automotive Works and the U.S. firm Chrysler, exported 338 Jeeps during the period out of a total production

of 41,000 Cherokees and 2,020 Jeeps, a military style vehicle based on a Soviet design, the official agency said.

Exports went to Thailand, the Netherlands, the Soviet Union and Latin America, it said, adding that BJC officials estimated total exports at 5.5 million dollars by year's end.

BJC spokesman Zhang Cailin had said in October that the company planned to build 41,831 vehicles this year, up from the previous estimate of 40,000, after a 23.3 per cent rise in sales between January and September over the same period the year before.

Total production in 1989 came to 39,310 vehicles.

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#90349d1250 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SANAA, (DEC 15) - Yemeni Foreign Minister Abdel Karim al-Iryani Saturday reaffirmed his country's rejection of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

He said Yemen had called for a peaceful Arab solution to put an end to the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait which has entered its fifth month, the Kuwaiti News Agency (Kuna) reported from the Yemeni capital of Sanaa.

Iryani made his remarks during a meeting here with a delegation of the Kuwaiti People's Congress, which has toured Arab states to muster support for the Kuwait cause. Yemen was the last leg in the tour which had taken them to Syria Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt and Sudan.

Iryani told the delegation that Yemen's stance on the Gulf crisis had been ''misunderstood''.

He accused some news media, whom he did not identify, of casting doubts on Yemen's principled attitude which called for a withdrawal of Iraqi forces from all Kuwaiti territory.

Yemen has sided with Iraq in its current confrontation with the U.S.-spearheaded international coalition which opposed the Iraqi annexation of Kuwait.

It has assailed the deployment of the U.S.-dominated 300,000-strong multinational force in the Gulf.

The Kuwaiti delegation asked the Yemeni foreign minister that his country act to persuade the Iraqi leadership to withdraw its troops from all Kuwaiti territory in compliance with the U.N. Security Council resolutions so as to spare the Arab region the horror of war, Kuna said.

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#90349d1290 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RIYADH, (DEC 15) - Philippines Finance Minister Jesus Estanislao arrived here Saturday night for talks with his Saudi counterpart Mohammad Abal Khail, an official source said.

Informed sources in Riyadh said the talks would focus on a request for Saudi aid to help Manila cope with the Gulf crisis.

Hundreds of thousands of Filipino workers lost their jobs in the Gulf after Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

In a related development, a Filipino medical team of 275 doctors, nurses, dentists, pharmacists and para-medical personnel were expected to arrive late Saturday in Riyadh to help out with developments resulting from the Gulf crisis, informed souerces said.

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#90349d1320 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW, (DEC 15) - The Russian Congress has asked the local parliament to draw up legislation under which the Soviet Union's largest republic would create its own KGB security service, TASS news agency said Saturday.

Russian President Boris Yeltsin told the congress the proposed law would put all federal KGB offices in Russia under control of a future Russian KGB.

TASS quoted him as saying KGB head Vladimir Kryuchkov had indicated "that in principle he will not oppose our decision."

Mr. Yeltsin, one of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's fiercest critics, was speaking at the close of a three-week session during which the congress legalized limited private ownership of land in the republic.

Deputies came out in favour of a new federal treaty governing relations between Moscow and the country's 15 constituent republics.

The congress also passed constitutional amendments directing the local parliament to draw up legislation providing for a future Russian president to be elected by universal suffrage from among several candidates.

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#90349d1480 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD, (DEC 15) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on Saturday denounced what he described as the corruption of some Arab kings and princes, whom he said visited Arab and Moslem countries to procure women.

He told a delegation of Islamic leaders visiting Iraq: "You all know that some Arab princes and kings visit Moslem countries to select women."

But he did not name the royals he was criticizing and did not cite the countries they frequented for their reported escapades.

The Iraqi leader added that certain women were meant for the royals while others were designated for their ministers.

"Is that Islam?" Mr. Hussein asked, adding that he was not playing international reformer.

Iraq has been at odds with Saudi Arabia and other Gulf states which have permitted the deployment of multinational forces on their territory to dislodge Baghdad's forces from Kuwait which Iraq invaded on August 2.

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#90349d1520 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAMASCUS, (DEC 15) - Algerian President Chadli Bendjedid held talks here late Saturday with his Syrian counterpart Hafez al-Assad on the Gulf crisis and regional matters, Syrian television reported.

Mr. Chadli, who arrived here Saturday from Oman, is on the fifth leg of a peace mission aimed at averting war in the Gulf.

The Algerian president is seeking an Arab solution to the Gulf crisis, amid reports that he would try during his tour to set up a summit between Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and King Fahd of Saudi Arabia, where U.S. troops have been based since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Saudi Press Agency meanwhile reported from Riyadh that Mr. Chadli and King Fahd had exchanged messages while the Algerian leader was overflying Saudi airspace.

But there was still no word in Riyadh whether Mr. Chadli would visit Saudi Arabia, as reported earlier.

The Algerian president, who last visited Damascus in January 1987, has also been to Iraq, Iran and Jordan.

Algerian Foreign Minister Sid Ahmed Ghozali said meanwhile that a dialogue between Iraq and the United States is "urgent and necessary."

The official Algerian APS news agency quoted Mr. Ghozali as telling Algerian journalists aboard Mr. Chadli's plane on Saturday that "a date for opening the dialogue is secondary."

Iraq and the United States have failed to agree on a date for talks.

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#90349d1560 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (DEC 15) - The U.S. State Department Saturday advised U.S. nationals not to travel to Mauritania or to leave that country, owing to "unsettled conditions" linked to the Gulf crisis.

In its advisory, the State Department said the U.S. embassy in Nouakchott was prepared to assist all those requesting aid in leaving the country and suggested those choosing to stay there should exercise "caution."

The State Department noted that due to the rupture in diplomatic relations between Senegal and Mauritania, all routes between the two countries have been closed, and that it is impossible to obtain a Senegalese visa in Nouakchott.

Mauritania has taken positions in support of Iraq in the current Gulf crisis.

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#90349d2130 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (DEC. 17) - The Peruvian Senate Saturday gave the go-ahead for a new currency to replace the inti as the national currency next year, government officials reported.

The nuevo sol, as the currency will be called, will be worth one million intis. It currently costs 570,000 intis to buy a U.S. dollar.

The change is Peru's second in five years. The inti replaced the sol in 1985.

Three years of hyperinflation in Peru have made the inti unmanageable because of the long string of zeros printed on most bills. The nuevo sol, officials said, will simplify bookkeeping across the country.

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#90349d9020 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SOWETO, SOUTH AFRICA - African National Congress delegates attending a consultative conference here unanimously voted Saturday against any moves to have international sanctions against South Africa lifted, an ANC statement said.

The first motion passed by the 1,600 delegates, it indefinitely adjourned any rethink of the ANC's pro-sanctions policy.

ANC President Oliver Tambo, just back from more than 30 years in exile, had on

Friday asked the conference to "carefully re-evaluate the advisability of insisting on the retention of sanctions, given new developments in the country and abroad".

(Saturday's vote came as European Community leaders at a summit in Rome decided to lift the ban on fresh investments in South Africa to "encourage" President Frederik de Klerk down the road to democracy, according to Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens.)

The ANC delegates were meeting in closed session Saturday, the second day of their first consultative gathering inside South Africa in 31 years. Delegates had earlier challenged the veteran leadership over the sanctions policy and the suspension in August of armed struggle as a means of pressuring the white minority government to scrap apartheid and introduce democracy.

The conference is due to end Sunday.

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#90349d9080 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN, (DEC 15) - Any international settlement to the Gulf crisis must be ratified by an Arab summit, PLO leader Yasser Arafat declared Saturday.

"The problems of Arab society must be resolved by dialogue between Arabs," Mr. Arafat told reporters on his arrival in the Jordanian capital from Baghdad. "An international settlement to the Gulf crisis must therefore by ratified by an Arab summit."

The Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) chairman, backing the official Iraqi position, insisted that a solution to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait must be linked to an overall Middle East settlement.

"No solution can be found without a clear and explicit link between all the crises of the Middle East: the Palestinian question and the Israeli occupation of the Golan and southern Lebanon," he said.

Mr. Arafat met in Baghdad earlier Saturday with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz to review latest developments in the Middle East, the Iraqi News Agency reported.

They discussed the "criminal actions carried out by Israeli authorities against the Palestinian people, and the hostile position adopted by the United States against the Palestinian cause in the (U.N.) Security Council," it said.

A proposed Security Council resolution on the Palestinian issue has been postponed repeatedly amid U.S. opposition to a call in the resolution for an international peace conference on the Middle East.

The United States has sought to avoid forging a link between the Gulf crisis and the long-standing Palestinian issue, as demanded by Baghdad and the PLO.

Mr. Arafat was expected to hold talks with King Hussein during his visit here. The two leaders, along with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Yemeni Vice President Ali Salem al-Beid, held a mini-summit in Baghdad on December 4.

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#90349d9150 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN, (DEC 15) - Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati is to visit Sweden, the official Iranian news agency IRNA reported Saturday.

The visit was at the invitation of his Swedish counterpart Sten Andersson, the agency quoted the Iranian Foreign Ministry as saying.

But the ministry went back on an earlier IRNA report that the visit would start Monday. It said no date had yet been fixed.

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#90349d9240 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO, (DEC 15) - Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak Saturday urged Iraq to indicate that it is willing to hold talks with the United States on ways to end the Gulf crisis peacefully.

''The choice has to become very clear to the Iraqi leadership,'' Mubarak said at the opening of the new parliament here.

''Will it side with peace and reconciliation with their brotherly peoples or will it attempt to gain time to continue the illegal situation that has emerged as a result of the invasion (of Kuwait)?'' he asked.

The Egyptian head of state noted that more should be done to resolve the Palestinian problem.

Mubarak urged the deputies to work on economic reforms leading to the privatisation of state-owned companies.

He thanked the U.S. and Gulf states for scrapping billions of dollars of debts Egypt had owed to them as a reward for Cairo's stance against the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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BELGRADE, (DEC 15) - Albanian troops were in control of main cities Saturday after three days of violent rioting left 20 people injured and caused more

than two million dollars worth of damage, official sources said.

An Albanian journalist reached by telephone in Tirana said tanks and armored cars were deployed in the industrial city of Elbasan in the center of the country, as well as in Shkoder in the north and Kavaje and Durres in the west.

Albanian television Friday showed pictures of extensive damage to Elbasan,

the country's third largest city with 81,000 residents, where state radio said "hooligans manipulated children aged 10 to 14, forcing them to be accomplices in their horrible crimes."

In the capital, Tirana, the situation was calm Saturday though the Albanian journalist said soldiers had taken up positions around the radio and television center.

Both the Albanian press and independent sources said rioters in the provincial cities had looted stores but had also aimed at symbols of what is Europe's last hard-line communist regime -- attacking local Communist Party headquaters radio stations and town halls.

The Democratic Party, the country's new and so far only opposition party -- it was formed Wednesday -- issued a new appeal for calm on television Friday night, and Saturday said it supported the measues taken by the government to control the situation, according to a party advisor, economist Gramoz Pashko, who was contacted by telephone.

And for the first time in 40 years, a priest was authorized to speak on Tirana radio to back the appeal for an end to the trouble.

Monsignor Simon Jubani, the archbishop of Shkoder who was freed in 1989 after 22 years in prison, said in a brief statement that "such acts of vandalism go against the will of God."

An Albanian contacted by Agence France-Presse said the fact the archbishop was given air time was considered an amazing developement.

No foreign journalists have been allowed into the country since the trouble broke out a week ago.

In Elbasan, buildings were burned down, including several book stores, and rioters attacked the headquarters of the Communist Party and set four vehicles on fire, according to the Albanian news agency ATA, monitored here.

It said six members of the security forces were injured in the clashes.

Durres, 60 kilometers (37.5 miles) west of Tirana, was also hit by violent demonstrations and many stores were looted there.

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#90349d9630 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BANGKOK, (DEC 15) - A senior official of Burma's military government here on an official visit has warned foreign powers against meddling in Burma's internal affairs, a senior Thai military official said Saturday.

Lieutenant General Than Shwe, the State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC) Vice-Chairman and Burmese army chief-of-staff, met with Thai Supreme Commander General Sonthorn Kongsompong before returning home Saturday.

The Burmese leader said Rangoon does not "look favourably towards any foreign power interfering in Burma's internal affairs."

"They (the Burmese officials) also requested that their internal affairs should be left to their concern, and foreign powers should not interfere in Burma's internal affairs, because outsiders do not know the intricate details of Burmese affairs," Gen. Sunthorn said after the meeting.

Gen. Sunthorn said the purpose of the high-level meeting between the Thai and Burmese military was to "review issues of mutual concern we have agreed upon" since Thailand first established relations with the SLORC in December 1988 -- three months after the Burmese military put down a student-led, pro-democracy movement in Burma.

Border and internal security were expected to be high on the agenda of the Thai-Burmese talks, in view of the Burmese authorities' recent closure of the border trading point at Myawadi following a bomb explosion near the customs checkpoint a fortnight ago, observers here said.

The Burmese delegation was here also to attend the Asian Defence Services Exhibition and Conference exhibition featuring new defence technology.

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#90349d9760 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABU DHABI, (DEC 15) - More banks in the United Arab Emirates should merge to strengthen their standing in the face of international financial blocs, the UAE Central Bank said in a report published here Saturday.

The bank's deputy governor, Sheikh Mohammad bin Sultan al-Dahiri, told the daily Al-Bayan that while such mergers were not urgently needed, given the banks' strength, they were highly desirable because of the international banking climate.

Mr. Dahiri said international banking developments and mergers accompanying the emergence of economic blocs "constitute a good reason for mergers among

local banks."

"The 1990's will be a decade of large bank units," he predicted. "So UAE banks have to consolidate their position if they want a place in the international banking arena."

Several UAE banks were forced to merge in 1985 to head off a financial crisis caused by accumulating non-performing debts.

The Central Bank has blamed the banks for the crisis, saying they were too eager to provide loans on which debtors later defaulted during the oil boom of the late 1970's.

Mr. Dahiri said the banks had overcome the bad debt problem and their performance in 1990 was expected to be as good as that of 1989.

"The commercial banks are expected to make profits in 1990 similar to those made in 1989," he said.

Most of the country's 40 banks made record profits in 1989, resulting from an end of the eight-year Iran-Iraq war, which was halted by a U.N.-brokered cease-fire in August 1988.

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#90349d9870 12/15/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN, (DEC 15) - Yassir Arafat, the Palestine Liberation Organisation (Plo) chairman, arrived here Saturday for talks with Jordan's King Hussein on fresh diplomatic efforts to settle the Gulf crisis.

In an arrival statement, Arafat said Arab efforts by himself, Algerian President Chadli Benjedid and King Hussein were aimed at ''opening an Arab-Arab dialogue that would solve the crisis.''

The Plo leader called for an international Middle East peace conference on Palestine and attacked the United States for ''exerting pressure on Security Council members to dilute a resolution aimed at securing protection for Palestinians in the occupied territories''.

Arafat was to take part in a one-week cultural event here to mark the third anniversary of the Palestinian intifada against Israeli rule in the occupied territories.

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#90349p3618 12/15/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 15) PR NEWSWIRE - Boatmen's Bancshares, Inc. (NASDAQ: BOAT) reached an agreement with the Resolution Trust Corporation to assume the

deposit liabilities of Community Federal Savings & Loan, the largest thrift institution in the St. Louis area.

Boatmen's will purchase selected assets including certain investments and loans. All purchased loans are subject to put provisions at Boatmen's option, which would return unwanted loans to the RTC. Accordingly, Boatmen's has no asset risk exposure. In a unique feature, Boatmen's will finance the value of the one-to-four-family mortgage portfolio for the RTC for approximately 90 days. The RTC will then repurchase this portfolio from Boatmen's at book value.

Boatmen's has a call to acquire Community Federal's physical branches and related equipment, the number to be determined within the next 60 days.

"This transaction, which is indicative of opportunities being presented to well capitalized, profitable banking organizations like Boatmen's, will contribute to net income in 1991," Andrew B. Craig, III, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Boatmen's Bancshares, stressed. "It has all of the attributes of an intra-market acquisition and will provide further momentum to our retail business thrust."

Under the agreement, the bank holding company will pay a premium of $27.1 million for Community Federal's deposits, which currently total $2.2 billion. The premium will be amortized over five years.

The equity/asset ratio and risk based capital/assets ratio of Boatmen's Bancshares will decline temporarily. However, after the asset/liability mix has been adjusted, they will approximate current levels of 7.5 percent and 13 percent, respectively.

The transaction was closed Friday evening and all the former Community Federal branches opened for business Saturday morning under the Boatmen's name.

Boatmen's Bancshares, with pro-forma assets of $17 billion, is the largest bank holding company in Missouri. It has 31 full-service banks and more than 200 locations in Missouri, Illinois and Tennessee, mortgage and insurance companies and a credit card bank in Delaware. Boatmen's also ranks among the top providers of trust services in the nation, with nearly $25 billion under management.

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#90349u0001 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 15) UPI - Two more ships believed to be leaving Kuwait or Iraq have been intercepted. U-S military officials say a Navy cruiser stopped two ships loaded with cars believed to have been stolen from Kuwait by Iraqi invaders.

More than 500 ships have been stopped because of the embargo.

A ship carrying milk and medicine is sailing toward Iraq. The ship belongs to Iraq. 153 women and children from all over the world are on board, hoping to be allowed to deliver the relief supplies to Iraq.

25 cars piled up on a slick road heading toward the game the New York Giants had with the Buffalo Bills today. It was the worst of scores of accidents caused by freezing rain and snow in the East. 10 people were hurt. Western mountains had a fourth day of snow.

Costa Rican President Rafael Calderon opened a Central American summit today. Calderon praised President Bush for his free-trade ambitions for the hemisphere. The Central Americans hope to forge an economic bloc with the United States and Canada.

Talks in Washington this week led to hopes for a cease-fire in the civil war in Angola. But the head of Angola's rebels says Soviet pressure is the key to peace. The Soviets participated in the talks in the U-S.

Police in southern India are trying to crack down on supporters of a separatist movement in Sri Lanka who seek refuge in India. At least 167 separatists have been arrested in India during the past two days.

Albania's first independent political party is offering help to the Marxist regime. The independents want permission to try to avert new anti-government unrest, which has raged across Albania this week.

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#90349u0010 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 14) UPI - Saying the $50 billion A-12 Avenger aircraft project is in ''serious trouble,'' Defense Secretary Dick Cheney gave the Navy three weeks Friday to show why the Pentagon should continue the program rather than cancel it.

Cheney told Congress in April that development of the carrier-based attack plane was on time and within budget, but was embarrassed later when contractors said it was $1 billion over budget and more than a year behind schedule.

The controversy, which was detailed in a Defense Department report released last month, has led to the resignation of the fourth-highest ranking Pentagon official, and has resulted in the firing of one senior Navy officer and the censure and reassignment of two others.

In a memo Friday to Navy Secretary Lawrence Garrett, Cheney said the ''A-12 program is in serious trouble. The apparent schedule slippage, cost growth,

and management deficiencies in this program are intolerable.''

''I direct you to show cause by Jan. 4, 1991, why the Department should not terminate the A-12 program and pursue other alternatives,'' Cheney wrote.

Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., chairman of House Government Operations Committee and one of most vocal defense contracting critics on Capitol Hill, applauded Cheney's move, but said problems with the A-12 were merely ''the tip of the iceberg.''

''I hope we will no look at other weapons systems as well,'' Conyers said. ''At the Pentagon, problems have been swept under the rug while airplanes crash and contractors reap unearned billions.''

Under development by General Dynamics and McDonnell Douglas, the A-12 is designed to be a radar-evading replacement for the aging A-6 attack bomber now carried by aircraft carriers. The initial contract was for about $4.3 billion and the plane was to get its first flight this year.

Currently, the aircraft is not expected to fly until next year at the earliest.

The program is undergoing a review by Deputy Defense Secretary Donald Atwood, and earlier this week, Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams ruled out any additional disciplinary actions in connection with the program.

The Justice Department also said it was investigating whether money went to contractors for incomplete work.

The Pentagon report said the Navy had information showing the plane experienced cost and schedule overruns, but those affilitated with the project deemed the findings inconclusive and failed to place enough emphasis on them in meetings with top officials, including Cheney.

Garrett told a congressional panel this week that at the Pentagon ''we have developed over many years a (procurement) system that is almost adversarial, and at the same time it creates advocacy. It is very hard to push bad news up to the top.''

The controversy created a shakeup at the Pentagon as John Betti, undersecretary of defense for acquisition, resigned. Betti was in charge of the Defense Department's entire $160 billion military procurement budget.

Also, Vice Adm. Richard Gentz, head of the Naval Air Systems Command, was ordered to retire. Rear. Adm. John Calvert, the A-12 program executive, and Capt. Lawrence Elberfeld, the program manager, were censured and will be reassigned.

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#90349u0065 12/15/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 15) UPI - FRIDAY'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL RESULTS

Tournaments
Ameritas Classic
Nebraska 113, Tennessee Tech 92
Bowling Green 94, Alabama St. 80
U-A-B Classic
Monmouth 62, Ala. Birmingham 60
Washington St. 90, Florida A&M 74

East
Bridgeport 92, Springfield 87
FDU Madison 47, Bloomfield 37
Keuka 107, Elmira 85

South
Faulkner 114, Clayton St. 81
Georgia 78, Miami-Fla. 60
Shepherd 104, Glenville St. 102 (OT)
Union Kentucky 91, Salem-Teikyo 75

Midwest
Cedarville 89, Dyke 53
Spirit Express 96, Ft. Hayes St. 91

West
Whitworth 73, Northwest Christian 66
Wyoming 99, Northern Iowa 65

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(DEC. 15) UPI - NFL STANDINGS

(Listing won, lost, tied, percent, points for, points against, records within division, winning or losing streaks)

American Conference

East	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA	DIV. REC	STREAK
y-Buffalo	11	2	0	.846	373	207	6-1	W-2
Miami	10	3	0	.769	275	184	6-0	W-1
Indianapolis	5	8	0	.385	200	281	2-4	L-2
New York Jets	4	9	0	.308	216	295	1-5	L-4
New England	1	12	0	.077	154	366	1-6	L-11

Central

Cincinnati	7	6	0	.538	292	294	3-1	L-1
Pittsburgh	7	6	0	.538	234	200	1-3	W-1
Houston	7	6	0	.538	324	243	3-1	W-1
Cleveland	2	11	0	.154	201	396	1-3	L-8
West								
Kansas City	9	4	0	.692	314	199	4-3	W-4
LA Raiders	9	4	0	.692	268	225	5-2	W-2
Seattle	7	6	0	.538	242	240	3-4	W-3
San Diego	6	7	0	.462	272	220	2-3	W-1
Denver	3	10	0	.231	277	334	2-4	L-6

National Conference

East	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA	DIV. REC	STREAK
x-New York Giants	11	2	0	.846	285	163	6-1	W-1
Washington	8	5	0	.615	299	242	4-4	W-2
Philadelphia	7	6	0	.538	325	275	3-3	L-2
Dallas	6	7	0	.462	193	255	1-5	W-3
Phoenix	5	8	0	.385	206	308	2-3	W-3
Central								
x-Chicago	10	3	0	.769	290	207	5-1	L-1
Minnesota	6	7	0	.462	297	252	3-4	L-1
Green Bay	6	7	0	.462	241	270	2-4	L-2
Tampa Bay	5	8	0	.385	210	311	4-2	W-1
Detroit	4	9	0	.308	301	345	1-5	L-2
West								
x-San Francisco	12	1	0	.923	297	199	3-1	W-2
New Orleans	6	7	0	.462	235	239	2-2	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	5	8	0	.385	305	346	2-1	L-1
Atlanta	3	10	0	.231	292	332	1-4	L-6

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff spot

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#90349u0084 12/15/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 15) UPI - FRIDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

Baseball

Baltimore - Traded pitcher Mickey Weston to Toronto for pitcher Paul Kilgus; announced they will not exercise option on designated hitter Ron Kittle.

Boston - Released second baseman Marty Barrett.

Chicago (NL) - Traded infielder Greg Smith to the Los Angeles Dodgers for infielder Jose Vizcaino.

Cincinnati - Signed free agent pitcher Ted Power to a one-year contract.

St. Louis - Signed pitcher Juan Agosto to a three-year contract.

Toronto - Announced chief executive officer Peter Hardy has stepped down. Named William Ferguson chairman of the board, and P.N.T. Widdrington chief executive officer.

College

Houston - Agreed with football coach John Jenkins on a four-year rollover.

James Madison - Named William ''Rip'' Scherer head football coach.

Southeast Missouri State - Gave 3-year contract extension to football coach John Mumford.

Football

Detroit - Placed linebacker Dennis Gibson on injured reserve; activated cornerback Sheldon White.

Hockey

Chicago - Traded forward Mike Eagles to Winnipeg for future considerations.

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#90349u0136 12/15/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 15) UPI - NBA STANDINGS

Eastern Conference
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	18	4	.818	-
Philadelphia	15	7	.682	3
New York	9	11	.450	8
New Jersey	8	12	.400	9
Washington	7	14	.333	10 1/2
Miami	5	15	.250	12

Central Division

Milwaukee	15	7	.682	-
Detroit	14	8	.636	1
Chicago	13	8	.619	1 1/2

Cleveland	10	12	.455	5
Atlanta	9	11	.450	5
Charlotte	8	12	.400	5 1/2
Indiana	8	14	.364	7

Western Conference
Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	13	5	.722	-
Utah	14	7	.667	1/2
Houston	12	10	.545	3
Dallas	7	12	.368	6 1/2
Minnesota	7	13	.350	7
Denver	5	16	.238	9 1/2
Orlando	5	17	.227	10

Pacific Division

Portland	20	2	.909	-
Phoenix	12	7	.631	6 1/2
Golden State	13	8	.619	6 1/2
LA Lakers	11	7	.611	7
LA Clippers	10	11	.476	9 1/2
Seattle	6	13	.316	12 1/2
Sacramento	4	15	.211	14 1/2

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BALTIMORE (DEC. 15) UPI - The Baltimore Orioles elected not to exercise their option on Ron Kittle's contract, freeing the right-handed power hitter to go elsewhere.

Kittle, who acts as his own agent, must contact the Major League Players Association in order to become a free agent.

''With the addition of Dwight Evans, we wouldn't be able to give Kittle the same opporunities he had,'' Orioles' General Manager Roland Hemond said Friday. ''Doing this is basically like trading Kittle for Evans.

''In the spring, Frank (Robinson, manager) would find it difficult to give everybody the necessary at-bats to get ready.''

Kittle's contract pays about $600,000 for 1991, a bargain in today's free-agent market. The Orioles obtained Kittle from the Chicago White Sox in a mid-season trade for outfielder Phil Bradley.

The Orioles also made a minor-league trade Friday, sending right- handed pitcher Mickey Weston to the Toronto Blue Jays for left-hander Paul Kilgus.

Kilgus, 28, will be assigned to the Class AAA Rochester Red Wings, and Weston will go to the Class AA Knoxville roster because Toronto has no space at Class AAA Syracuse.

Kilgus, 20-32 lifetime with the Texas Rangers and Chicago Cubs, was 0-0 with a 6.06 ERA for the Blue Jays last season. He was 6-8 with a 2. 84 ERA with Syracuse. He has been a starter and reliever.

Weston was 11-1 with a 1.98 ERA for the Red Wings, but was 7 2-3 innings short of qualifying for the ERA title.

It appears that veteran left-handed reliever Joe Price will be playing elsewhere next season.

Price, 3-4 with a 3.58 ERA in 50 Orioles appearances in 1990, was not offered arbitration by the team. Hemond said the chances of re-signing him are slim.

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#90349u0141 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 15) UPI - The U-S ambassador to Kuwait is back at home in the United States. Ambassador Nathaniel Howell left with the last of the hostages. Howell says ''the only industry in Kuwait now is war.'' He says he destroyed the embassy's files and locked the gate as he left. The stars and stripes was still flying... to show that the United States will return.

A snowstorm has moved out of the Rocky Mountains and headed east after dumping snow on the Rockies for three days. Snow advisories are posted for parts of South Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin. Ski resorts in Utah's Wasatch Mountains have up to 16 inches of new snow- the most from the three-day storm. There's also snow in Oregon, Washington state and California's mountains.

A strike is over at the nation's largest catfish processor. Union workers at the Delta Pride catfish company in Indianola, Mississippi, voted to accept a new contract offer that pays about the same as the company's closest competitor. During the 13-week strike, two company stockholders were indicted for trying to bribe a striker and a one worker was beaten by a police officer.

Boston police arrested a lawyer representing a drug suspect as he left a courthouse Friday. The lawyer says he was carrying a 20-pound sack of bird feed. Police say he was carrying a bag filled with marijuana seeds. Halpern says he took the seed to court to prove his client's innocence. Now he, too, faces marijuana charges.

The Tribune Company says its 1990 net income will be reduced by substantially more than 30 percent. The Tribune says the drop in income is because of strikes against the New York Daily News and at Canadian paper mills. Last year

the Tribune reported net income of 242-Million dollars.

A New Jersey research institute is creating a national cell bank. The Coriell Institute wants to use the cell bank to untangle the genetic transmission of Alzheimer's disease, manic depression and schizophrenia. The institute will collect and analyze blood samples from six-thousand afflicted people.

Alaska's potatoes are popular. Alaska does NOT grow enough potatoes for even its own population. This winter, a city in the Soviet Far East wants four-thousand pounds of spuds from Alaska. Potatoes grown in Alaska are sweeter than other American varieties because of the long daylight in the summer.

One of the burdens of being president is the Christmas card list. President and Mrs. Bush are mailing 145-thousand cards this holiday season. The first family gets the cards free from the Republican National Committee. And presumably, some help in stuffing the envelopes and licking the stamps.

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#90349u0173 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 15) UPI - President Bush is looking into the Education Department's ruling banning scholarships based on race. Bush told reporters- ''We're looking at it right now.''

President Bush has nominated Representative Lynn Martin as labor secretary. Bush called Martin ''a devoted public servant and a cherished friend.''

A wintry storm has been howling over the Rockies. Colorado was slapped with 70-mile-an-hour winds. 16 inches of snow fell. Freezing temperatures chilled much of the north.

The European Community has agreed to send emergency food aid to the Soviet Union to prevent famine over the winter. The aid could total one- BILLION dollars.

The Navy's A-12 Avenger aircraft project may be scrapped. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney says if the Navy can NOT give justify continuing the program it will be canceled.

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#90349u0175 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 15) UPI - The Los Angeles Dodgers signed new-look free agent outfielder Brett Butler to a 3-year $10 million contract according to a published report Friday.

Butler, an eight-year veteran, told the Los Angeles Times he had become the

Dodgers' third free-agent signing of the off-season, but team officials would not confirm the pact late Friday.

''Yes, sir, I am now signed with the Dodgers,'' Butler told the LA Times from his home in Atlanta. ''I can't tell you how happy I am.''

On Nov. 8, Los Angeles signed Darryl Strawberry and at baseball's winter meetings earlier this month, they signed free agent pitcher Kevin Gross.

Butler batted .309 with 44 RBI and 51 stolen bases for the San Francisco Giants last season. He was granted free agency following the agreement between the Players Association and major league owners which resolved the collusion issue.

Butler, 33, began his career in 1981 with the Atlanta Braves before he was traded to the Cleveland Indians after the 1983 season in a deal that sent Len Barker to Cleveland.

Butler played for four seasons with the Indians, enjoying his best year in 1985 with a .311 average, 184 hits, 28 doubles, and 14 triples.

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#90349u0176 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 15) UPI - The New York Rangers are still proving to themselves that they can win on the road. Friday night, they proved it to the Vancouver Canucks.

After dropping the first two games of a four-game road trip, the Rangers have bounced back with a pair of victories, the most recent a 5- 3 triumph over Vancouver.

''We wanted to finish at .500 at least on the road, so it was important to come back and finish (the trip) off with a pair of wins,'' said Brian Leetch, who led the Ranger charge Friday night with the tying goal and a pair of assists.

Rangers Coach Roger Neilson was just relieved to be going home, after salvaging the trip with a pair of wins.

''The last few games we haven't been keeping the goals down like I would like, but as long as we are getting the points I'm not too worried,'' Neilson said.

Brian Mullen clinched the win for the Rangers on a right wing dash, culminating with a blast from 40 feet out that beat Canucks netminder Kirk McLean to the far side at 14:38 of the third period. The goal was Mullen's ninth of the season.

Mullen credited his linemates, John Ogrodnick and Kelly Kisio, saying the trio has been creating numerous chances lately.

''Our whole line has played well, and if we all keep getting chances like we have been, we'll keep putting them in,'' Mullen said. ''But the main thing was to finish the trip with a win.''

Leetch, the games first star, tied the game with his ninth when he blasted a shot from the left point that went through Kirk McLean's legs at 14:06 of the third.

Thirty-one seconds before Leetch's goal, Dan Quinn gave Vancouver a 3-2 lead with his third of the year at 13:35 of the third, breaking a 25-game goaless streak.

Garry Valk notched his second goal of the game and eighth of the season, converting a rebound at the edge of the Rangers crease through Rangers goaltender John Vanbiesbrouck's legs at 0:36 of the third to tie the score 2-2.

An errant pass from Vanbiesbrouck led directly to the opening goal by Valk at 2:42 of the first period. When Lindy Ruff was unable to corral the pass, Valk pounced on the loose puck, picked his spot 12 feet out and beat Vanbiesbrouck low to the stick side.

After controlling the puck for the better part of a minute, the Rangers power play, seventh in the NHL, connected when Bernie Nicholls one-timed his 13th past Kirk McLean from the left faceoff circle at 6:48 of the first period.

Ray Sheppard gave the Rangers a 2-1 lead at 1:41 of the second with an unassisted marker when he deked McLean to the ice before lifting the puck high over the prone keeper for his 13th of the season. Sheppard had capitalized on a Jyrki Lumme turnover in the Vancouver zone.

In what appeared to be the tying goal from a scramble in the Rangers' goalcrease, referee Ron Hogarth ruled the puck was gloved in, despite vehement protests from the Canucks.

John Ogrodnick scored an empty-net goal for the Rangers with one second lefft in the game for the final score.

In the only other NHL game, Pittsburgh nipped Buffalo 4-3.

Penguins 4, Sabres 3

At Buffalo, Joe Mullen scored the winning goal with 13:03 left, leading Pittsburgh. Mullen tipped Paul Stanton's point shot past goaltender Clint Malarchuk, who replaced Daren Puppa after one period. Buffalo's Dave Andreychuk tied it 3-3 with a power-play goal at 11:15 of the second.

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#90349u0181 12/15/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 15) UPI - Boston Celtics rookie Dee Brown used his speed and shooting Friday night to pump some new life into an old rivalry.

The 6-foot-1 point guard came off the bench to score 12 points and effectively harass Detroit's backcourt stars as the Celtics played non- stop up-tempo basketball in a 108-100 victory over the NBA's defending champions. The Pistons have lost six of their last seven games.

''Containing their guards was the No. 1 priority,'' explained Brown, who also had six assists in his 24 minuts. ''Everything else was icing on the cake. I think I pretty much held my own against Isiah (Thomas).''

Kevin McHale scored 24 points and grabbed 11 rebounds to pace the Celtics, who had seven players in double figures.

The Pistons, who have just one victory in December, are 14-8 for the season and 6-7 on the road.

''We're out of sync, guys are trying to win it themselves,'' said Detroit coach Chuck Daly. ''We'll have to get over that to beat a good team on the road.''

The Pistons, who supplanted Boston three years ago as the Eastern Conference's premiere team, trailed by 17 points midway through the third quarter but used an 18-3 fourth-quarter run to pull within 93-92. Brian Shaw then hit a 12-foot jumper off a loose ball and set up McHale on a fast-break layin for a 97-92 lead with 4:42 remaining.

Detroit's John Salley hit a driving layup at 3:59 but Larry Bird responded with a 3-pointer 23 seconds later and Detroit was never again closer than five points.

''We were right there,'' said Daly. ''If we got the lead then, we might have won, but it didn't happen.''

For Boston, Bird and Reggie Lewis scored 16 apiece, Shaw had 14, Brown and Robert Parish had 12 each and Kevin Gamble 10. Boston improved its record to 18-4, second-best in the league, behind only 19-2 Portland.

''The exciting thing about this team is that we get better as we go along,'' said McHale.

Detroit was without forward James Edwards, sidelined due to a pulled ribcage muscle.

Thomas led the Pistons' offense with 26 points, despite sitting out the final minutes after falling heavily on his back. Joe Dumars had 18 points and Mark Aguirre, starting in place of Edwards, added 13. Dennis Rodman had a game-high 15 rebounds.

The Celtics held a 32-29 edge early in the second quarter when they started a 15-4 surge that featured seven points by Bird on a driving layup, a 3-pointer and a tough rebound in traffic and layin. Brown's jumper from the right corner with 4:18 to go in the half provided a 47- 33 Boston advantage.

In the third quarter, Boston gradually built its lead up to 17 points, Gamble hitting a 17-foot jumper from the right side for a 72-55 lead at 6:38.

Detroit's fourth-quarter comeback was led by William Bedford, who had not played in the first half. Bedford scored 10 of his 12 points points during the 18-3 spurt.

The Celtics have won 18 of their last 19 regular-season games against the Pistons at Boston Garden.

In other games, Washington downed Houston 106-93, Philadelphia topped Miami 95-92, Chicago blasted the Los Angeles Clippers 128-88, San Antonio overtimed Cleveland 116-106, and Portland edged Dallas 106-104.

Bullets 106, Rockets 93

At Landover, Md., Darrell Walker's triple-double - a season-high 22 points, 10 rebounds and 10 assists - paced Washington to its fourth straight home win even though Bernard King, the league's third-leading scorer with a 29.5 points per game average, scored only 13 points and sank only five of 18 field goal tries. Akeem Olajuwon led Houston with 22 points, 14 in the second half.

76ers 95, Heat 92

At Philadelphia, Charles Barkley scored 35 points and grabbed 15 rebounds to help send Miami to its sixth straight loss. Rony Seiklay led the Heat with 27 points and Kevin Edwards added 23. Miami is 0-8 against the 76ers in its three years in the league. Hersey Hawkins put Philadelphia ahead for good at 85-83.

Bulls 128, Clippers 88

At Chicago, Scottie Pippen scored 10 of his 22 points during a decisive second-quarter run to propel the Bulls. Los Angeles has lost 14 straight games in Chicago Stadium. The last time the Clippers won there was Jan. 26, 1979, when they were based in San Diego. Jeff Martin led Los Angeles with 22 points.

Spurs 116, Cavs 106 (OT)

At Richfield, Ohio, Willie Anderson tied the game on a spinning jump shot with less than a minute left in regulation, then scored five of the first seven points in overtime for San Antonio. Cleveland was led by 28 points from Larry Nance, and 22 points and 11 rebounds from Brad Daugherty.

Blazers 106, Mavericks 104

At Portland, Ore., Clyde Drexler scored 29 points, including a breakaway dunk that gave the Trail Blazers a 4-point lead with less than a minute left. Dallas could have taken the lead with a minute left in the game, but Derek Harper's desperate 28-foot, 3-point attempt as the shot clock was winding down hit the back of the rim.

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#90349u0191 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 15) UPI - A planned visit to Moscow by Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati was canceled at the last minute Saturday. No new date for the trip was announced.

Soviet Foriegn Ministry spokesman Vitaly Churkin said the visit was postponed because of logistical problems connected with the flurry of diplomatic activity concerning the Gulf crisis.

''There has been very vigorous diplomatic activity, many visits,'' Churkin said. ''They decided maybe it is not yet time, maybe it would be better to meet later.''

Velayati had been scheduled to arrive in Moscow Saturday for two days of talks with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and other officials.

Shevardnadze himself returned to Moscow late Friday night after talks in the United States and Turkey focusing on the Gulf crisis, and early Saturday he met with his South Korean counterpart who was in Moscow with South Korean President Roe Tae Woo.

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#90349u0192 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK (DEC. 15) UPI - Thailand will order a cutback in U.S. airlines flying to Thai destinations through Asia and increase its own flights to Asian points due to an escalating aviation dispute with the United States, aviation officials said.

Flights to Thailand by U.S. carriers will be reduced from 38 per week to 28 per week at the end of the winter high season in March, Sribhumi Suhanetr, permanent secretary of the Transport and Communications Ministry, told

reporters Friday evening.

Sribhumi said official notification will be given to the U.S. government next week.

He said the government-owned Thai Airways International would add seven flights per week to the Bangkok-Tokyo route and three additional flights per week on the Bangkok-Taipei route, two of the main connecting legs for passengers from the United States.

The changes followed the collapse of negotiations over a new air agreement between Thailand and the United States and the expiration of the existing agreement on Nov. 3.

Officials said the cutbacks would affect four major U.S. airlines flying to Thailand - Delta Airlines, Northwest Airlines, Federal Express and United Airlines.

Thailand has demanded an entirely new air agreement which Thai officials said should fix an equal number of flights for each country. The United States has pressed for continuation of the previous agreement which allows U.S. airlines to increase their flights to Thailand according to market conditions.

Thai flights to the United States have generally not been profitable, and U.S. carriers have made profits on its Thai flights by carrying passengers headed for other major Asian cities such as Tokyo.

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#90349u0193 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

Snow fell from the west coast to New England Saturday and violent winds pounded the Rockies while a winter storm blanketed the Plains and Midwest with several inches of snow and gale warnings were up for the Atlantic coast.

Strong winds that topped 90 mph in parts of Colorado eased Saturday but left damaged buildings in their wake in Boulder and Golden as snow advisories went up as another storm took aim on the state.

Storms also dumped snow on Utah, Idaho, New Mexico and Oregon as another area of rain and snow headed toward the Pacific coast soaking northern California and other areas.

Another storm system gathered strength in Iowa and moved northeast toward the Great Lakes and New England prompting winter weather advisories in several states including Pennsylvania and New York.

Snow fell during the night over southern Minnesota and Michigan and snow advisories were posted across the Midwest while light snow and drizzle fell

over Chicago and freezing rain and sleet hit Indiana.

The storm was expected to save its greatest punch for New England where the residents were preparing for first significant snow of the season.

Wet weather stretched along most of the East coast and gale warnings were in effect for waters along the Atlantic coast from Washington, D.C. , northward.

Warm, moist weather covered much of the South and fog developed along the Gulf coast, socking in Baton Rouge, La., and parts of Texas.

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(DEC. 15) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

President Bush sent a message to Saddam Hussein yesterday. The president told Saddam- in these words- ''the deadline is real.'' Bush told Saddam the United Nations is NOT about to back down on the January 15th deadline for Iraq's troops to withdraw from Kuwait. Bush said he wants a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. But he says Iraq should be totally out of Kuwait by mid-January.

Chinese Premier Li Peng says China will remain socialist. While visiting the Philippines today, Li said the democratic movements in Eastern Europe have only resulted in chaos. He said China is preoccupied with developing its economy to give its people a better life. And he says to do this, China needs a peaceful domestic and international environment.

Congresswoman Lynn Martin of Illinois is President Bush's choice for his next labor secretary. Martin, who lost a bid for the Senate last month, has to be confirmed by the Senate. If the Senate confirms the nomination, Martin will succeed Elizabeth Dole who resigned as labor secretary to head the American Red Cross.

The future of the radar-evading A-12 Avenger aircraft is in doubt. Defense Secretary Cheney has ordered the Navy to demonstrate within the next three weeks why the Pentagon should continue developing the Avenger. The plane is one-BILLION dollars over budget and more than one year behind schedule.

Doctors are removing the feeding tube that has kept alive a comatose woman for nearly eight years. A judge in Carthage, Missouri, has given the O-K. The judge had a change of mind yesterday after hearing new testimony from Nancy Cruzan's friends that she would NOT want to be sustained as a vegetable.

A reputed major cocaine trafficker and successor to the ''king'' of the Bolivian cocaine trade has been arrested in a Los Angeles suburb where he

lives. Indictments UNsealed Friday say he controlled a massive cartel which resorted to kidnapping, beatings and murder to protect its business interests.

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#90349u0206 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 15) UPI - South Korean President Roh Tae Woo said Saturday he and Mikhail Gorbachev had agreed to put ''unhappy incidents'' like the Korean War and the downing of a Korean jetliner behind them as the two countries form closer relations.

Roh, wrapping up a three-day visit to Moscow that solidified diplomatic relations restored earlier this year, said the new ties would be good for both countries and would also hopefully help in the process of the reunification of Korea.

''Few nations on Earth suffered as much pain and hardship under the Cold War as the Korean people,'' Roh said. ''Under the dictates of the Cold War, the nation and the territory had to be divided and we had to suffer millions of casualties.

''The rapid improvement in our bilateral relations (with the Soviet Union) indicates that an important development is taking place in the Cold War setting on the Korean peninsula.''

Roh said he hoped that the Soviet Union's relations with North Korea, which it backed in the Korean War and a major recipient of Soviet aid, would not suffer because of the improving Soviet-South Korean relations.

He added that his summit with Gorbachev was yet another indication of the major changes in the world and a chance to put the confrontations of the past behind them.

''During the past years there were times when the Soviet Union led one camp opposed to the Western camp in the Cold War ... that generated undesired and unhappy incidents and events including the Korean War and the incident with the airliner of the South Korean KAL airliner,'' Roh said, referring to the downing of KAL Flight 007 by Soviet fighters on Sept. 1, 1983, killing 269 people.

''At the summit meeting with President Gorbachev we promised each other that everything that happened in the past will be a thing of the past, and we will start a new page, a new chapter in the history of our bilateral realtions,'' Roh said. ''We will join our efforts to cooperate in advancing to a brighter future.''

An agreement signed by Roh and Gorbachev Friday pledged trade and economic cooperation between the economically crippled Soviet Union and South Korea,

now an economic powerhouse in Asia.

Roh said the two countries' trade level of $1 billion this year could rise as high as $18 billion by the mid-1990s.

The South Korean ministers of trade and industry, and science and technology, were part of Roh's delegation to Moscow along with leading business representatives from Seoul.

Roh also met Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin Saturday before leaving for a visit to Leningrad, the official Tass news agency said.

Gorbachev and Roh had a surprise meeting in San Francisco six months ago, and their two governments announced Sept. 30 that they would establish diplomatic relations.

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#90349u0207 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

TIRANA, ALBANIA (DEC. 15) UPI - The embattled Marxist regime of Albania Saturday asked citizens to help security forces curb anti-government violence by ''ill-doers'' that has rocked major towns, leaving buildings and vehicles damaged or destroyed and at least 16 people injured.

There were no immediate reports of new outbreaks of violence on Saturday. States of emergency remained in effect in at least five towns, meaning entry and exit was prohibited by the military, police sources said.

The unrest erupted after President Ramiz Alia agreed to permit independent political parties as part of a program of gradually loosening the bonds of 45 years of hard-line Marxist rule. The decision announced on Monday followed three days of anti-government student demonstrations for greater democracy.

The appeal for popular support for the security forces was issued Friday night by Justice Minister Enver Halili on state-run television after daylong rioting in Kavaja, Elbasan, Durres and Saranda that followed anti-government protests by thousands of workers.

''I believe it is in the interests of the widest masses of people that I request them to help police in their actions to overcome the present situation '' Halili said.

Halili said ''dark forces'' were seeking to sabotage the program of gradual democratic liberalization implemented in the only Stalinist- style police state to survive the anti-Marxist wave that toppled communist regimes across Eastern Europe in 1989.

Describing some of the trouble on Friday, the official Albanian Telegraphic

Agency on Saturday said: ''Major gatherings of ill-doers occurred in Elbasan. Through their vandalism they broke shop windows and plundered the people's wealth.''

Rioters torched shops and tried to storm the headquarters of the Elbasan committee of President Ramiz Alia's Albanian Party of Labor, which has ruled the tiny Balkan nation of 3.2 million with an iron hand for 45 years of self-imposed isolation, ATA said.

Security forces moved against the rioters after they ignored warnings to disperse, it said, and ''several thieves and ill-doers were arrested. Six persons from the forces of order were wounded by stones.''

Two of the injured were hospitalized, including the police chief of Elbasan, a steel-making center, 30 miles southeast of Tirana, ATA said.

Witnesses and police sources said security forces were backed by armored vehicles and water cannon in Elbasan and Kavaja, an industrial town 20 miles southwest of Tirana.

ATA said workers joined police and troops to drive off protesters who tried to gather in the center of Durres, Albania's main Aegean Sea port, 20 miles west of Tirana.

It said the ''malevolent elements'' broke shop windows as they dispersed.

Shkoder, 50 miles north of Tirana, was calm on Friday, a day after clashes between rioters and security forces left at least 10 people injured, including the police chief, the official media and sources said.

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#90349u0209 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

ROME (DEC. 15) UPI - The 12-nation European Community Saturday abolished a 4-year-old ban on new investments in South Africa in order to recognize reforms by President Frederik de Klerk, officials said.

The decision was taken on the final day of a two-day summit of EC leaders.

''We recognized the huge changes that have taken place,'' said John Major, the new British prime minister. ''We lifted the investment ban imposed in 1986.''

Britain has long argued for an end to the EC investment ban, and had already itself begun new investments in South Africa.

Other EC sanctions on South Africa apparently remain intact. They include a ban on imports of gold and steel from South Africa, and a prohibition on the trading of South African coins.

Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, who holds the rotating EC presidency, said the decision ''takes note of developments that have occurred'' in South Africa in the past year.

''It is certain that some progress has been made,'' he said. ''We have to send out some kind of encouragement, but there must be a full return to normality. In particular, the laws on apartheid have to be abrogated.''

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(DEC. 15) UPI - Iraq Saturday rejected a U.S. proposal that Secretary of State James Baker meet with President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad Jan. 3, intensifying a deadlock over the planned high-level meeting.

Saddam had wanted Baker to come to Baghdad Jan. 12, but Washington rejected that date as falling too close to the U.N.-imposed Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to withdraw its troops from Kuwait or face the possibility of military force.

''Iraq alone sets the proper appointments for its president to meet foreign officials,'' the official Iraqi news agency INA quoted an official from the ruling Revolutionary Command Council as saying Saturday.

Two Republican senators said in Washington Friday that President Bush may be willing to forgo the high level Iraq-U.S. meetings if the two countries could not agree on mutually acceptable dates.

Bush has refused to budge on his dates proffered for a proposed meeting in Baghdad between Baker and Saddam.

The talks have been billed as a last chance to avert war before the Jan. 15 deadline set by the U.N. Security Council for Iraq's unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait, which was invaded by Saddam's forces Aug. 2.

Meanwhile, the last group of former U.S. hostages evacuated from Iraq and Kuwait returned to U.S. soil Friday.

Thirty-eight U.S. citizens and 10 Canadians received a hero's welcome on their arrival at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., near Washington aboard a flight from Frankfurt, Germany.

Among the last planeload of evacuees were the U.S. Ambassador to Kuwait Nathaniel Howell and several other diplomats who kept the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait city open for four months in defiance of Iraqi orders to close it.

Howell said he locked the gate, left the garrison flag flying over the compound, and vowed it will be reopened.

''Make no mistake, the only industry in Kuwait now is war,'' Howell said. He described Iraqi troops as digging entrenchments in Kuwait and giving no sign they are going to pull out.

Baker was on hand to greet the former hostages, some of whom were detained as ''human shields'' at key sites around Iraq to deter an attack by a U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the gulf region.

''Your ordeal is over, but the ordeal of the Kuwaiti people continues,'' Baker told the evacuees, who stepped off a giant military transport plane into a clear and cold December afternoon before making their way to the warm embrace of family and friends gathered at the air base.

Baker described Saddam as an international outlaw and ''a vicious and capricious dictator.''

Heading off for a weekend retreat to Camp David, Md., Bush said the United States has suggested 15 different dates for Baker trip, and that Iraq has come back with only one date, Jan. 12, which the administration says is too close to the Jan. 15 deadline.

''That deadline is real,'' Bush insisted Friday. ''In offering to go the extra mile for peace ... I did not offer to be a party to Saddam Hussein's manipulation.''

A planned session between Bush and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Washington, proposed for Dec. 17, is tied to both meetings being scheduled.

Further dampening the outlook for a peaceful resolution to the crisis, CIA chief William Webster said U.S. intelligence experts have concluded Saddam will not withdraw his troops from Kuwait until convinced he ''is in peril of imminent military attack.''

In an interview published Saturday in The Washington Post, Webster said Saddam is expected to try to stretch out the crisis and will continue to believe he can prevail ''until the first shell is lobbed over him.''

In Turkey Friday, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said no guarantees could be given to Iraq that it would remain territorially intact when the Gulf crisis ended.

Shevardnadze, who was speaking at a press conference after talks with Turkish leaders, said Iraq's territorial integrity could have been guaranteed if it had pulled its troops out of Kuwait peacefully, but ''now there is no such thing as a guarantee.''

Turkey has expressed fears that Iraq's oil-rich territories in the northern

provinces of Mosul and Kirkuk could fall into rebel Iraqi Kurdish hands if the Baghdad government suffered a military defeat and collapsed as a result of the gulf crisis.

Also Friday, Algerian President Chadli Benjedid held a second round of talks Friday in Tehran with Iranian President Hojatoleslam Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani on the gulf crisis, Tehran Radio reported.

Benjedid, one of the few Arab leaders on speaking terms with the leaderships of both Iraq and Saudi Arabia, is touring the Middle East on a gulf mediation effort.

The last evacuation flight from Baghdad Thursday carried 96 people to Frankfurt, but about half of them were foreign nationals who chose to remain in Europe.

The final flight means that about 2,550 Americans were airlifted out of Iraq aboard 15 chartered flights since early August. No more flights are planned, even if some of the remaining U.S. citizens should choose to leave Iraq or Kuwait, since regular commercial flights are now available to Amman.

Those flights are permitted under the United Nations economic embargo because they are defined as humanitarian in nature.

Another approximately 800 Americans made it out of Kuwait and Iraq on their own, sometimes on perilous journeys through uncharted desert country.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 15) UPI - The board of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange has voted to cut its budget but is opposed to a plan to lower its trading fees.

Facing months of declining trading volume and a petition drive to halve each round-turn transaction fee, the board Friday approved freezing salaries of officers and using attrition to cut 52 jobs. There are about 950 people employed at the second largest futures exchange in the world.

The Merc board told members in letter it would limit next year's budget to less spending that this year, although it did not specify a dollar amount.

The board went on record as being unanimously opposed to a referendum that will go before members Jan. 24 to cut the 50-cent round-turn transaction fee to 25 cents. The board said cutting the fee would undermine its ability to operate the exchange prudently.

''There is no free lunch here. A reduction in exchange revenue necessarily means a reduction in exchange services, initiatives and strength,'' the board

said.

However, veteran currency trader Douglas Bragan, who brought the petition, said the fee cut would force ''responsibility on an exchange whose budget is totally out of control.''

Bragan also criticized the cut of 52 employees, saying it did not reach ''top-heavy staff.''

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(DEC. 15) UPI - NHL STANDINGS

Wales Conference

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	19	11	5	43	135	106
Philadelphia	18	14	3	39	121	114
New Jersey	16	13	4	36	129	116
Washington	18	15	0	36	112	100
Pittsburgh	14	16	3	31	133	129
NY Islanders	10	16	3	23	80	110

Adams Division

Boston	18	10	4	40	111	100
Montreal	16	14	3	35	105	103
Hartford	13	15	4	30	91	107
Buffalo	10	14	7	27	95	103
Quebec	7	20	6	20	92	142

Campbell Conference

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	22	10	2	46	116	84
St. Louis	18	9	4	40	106	85
Detroit	15	12	4	34	121	118
Minnesota	9	18	6	24	94	110
Toronto	8	24	1	17	88	139

Smythe Division

Calgary	19	10	4	42	138	104
Los Angeles	16	9	5	37	122	99
Vancouver	13	16	3	29	102	113
Edmonton	12	15	2	26	91	88
Winnipeg	9	18	7	25	112	124

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#90349u0223 12/15/1990 ~United Press International
BEIJING (DEC. 15) UPI - City authorities tried and executed sixteen offenders recently for unspecified ''severe criminal acts,'' an official newspaper said Saturday.

The death sentences were handed down by the Beijing Intermediate Court and promptly carried out during the week of Dec. 11-15, the Beijing Evening News reported.

The state-run daily said 12 of those put to death were repeat offenders, some of them former inmates at ''rehabilitation through labor'' prisons.

Under Chinese law, police may send minor criminal offenders to such prisons for up to three years without a formal trial.

Aside from a terse statement that all 16 of the accused ''committed severe criminal acts deserving the death sentence,'' there were no details given as to the nature of their crimes.

Hundreds have been executed this year in China's relentless ''hit hard'' anti-crime campaign and a drive to wipe out the ''six evils'' - prostitution, selling women and children, narcotics, susperstition, gambling and pornography.

The death sentence in China is carried out with a bullet to the back of the neck.

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(DEC. 15) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE USA - SATURDAY

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	54	28	....
Anchorage cy	16	-08	....
Asheville r	50	36	.01
Atlanta cy	57	42	.03
Baltimore r	43	26	....
Billings sy	30	10	.12
Birmingham cy	62	55	....
Bismarck sy	33	09	....
Boston sn	42	25	....
Brownsville pc	81	66	....
Buffalo sn	32	25	....
Burlington Vt. sn	23	13	....
Charleston S.C. pc	59	49	....
Charlotte r	56	42	....
Chicago r	36	33	.14

Cincinnati r	43	37	.66
Cleveland r	39	30	.43
Columbus Ohio r	40	33	.59
Dallas cy	58	54	....
Denver pc	44	21	....
Des Moines cy	34	33	.30
Detroit r	35	32	.34
Duluth cy	27	21	....
El Paso cy	67	45	....
Evansville r	50	44	.53
Fargo sy	37	12	....
Hartford sn	35	16	....
Honolulu w	82	73	....
Houston cy	81	66	....
Indianapolis r	41	37	.78
Jackson Miss. cy	72	57	....
Jacksonville sy	80	56	....
Kansas City sy	47	35	.02
Las Vegas pc	52	29	....
Little Rock cy	50	47	.02
Los Angeles sh	65	47	....
Louisville r	50	45	.49
Memphis sh	65	52	....
Miami Beach pc	76	72	....
Milwaukee sn	37	33	.14
Minneapolis sn	32	28	.24
Nashville sh	58	52	.02
New Orleans pc	76	56	....
New York r	41	33	....
Oklahoma City pc	52	41	....
Omaha pc	36	33	.04
Orlando sy	76	55	....
Philadelphia r	41	28	....
Phoenix sh	70	50	....
Pittsburgh sh	39	31	.15
Portland Me. sn	37	16	....
Portland Ore. sh	47	40	....
Providence sn	35	19	....
Richmond r	51	30	.06
St. Louis sy	47	43	.04
Salt Lake City pc	32	12	....
San Antonio cy	79	66	....
San Diego sh	64	50	....
San Francisco sh	56	45	.56
San Juan sh	87	74	.48
Seattle sh	47	41	.02
Spokane fy	32	18	....
Tampa sy	78	55	....

Washington r	44	32	.01
Wichita sy	45	32	....

c-clear	cl-clearing	cy-cloudy	f-fair
fy-foggy	hz-haze	m-missing	mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy	r-rain	sh-showers	sl-sleet
sm-smoke	sn-snow	sy-sunny	ts-thunderstorms
w-windy			

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#90349u0240 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

CLEVELAND, TX (DEC. 15) UPI - A helicopter that was flying to port for shipment to U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia crashed in heavy, fog-shrouded Texas brushland, killing all three National Guard members aboard, officials said Saturday.

Maj. Mike Milner of Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., said the helicopter was one of a group of 12 that left Jefferson City, Mo., Friday morning for the Port of Houston and deployment to the Middle East.

Two men and a woman - Missouri National Guard personnel mobilized for Operation Desert Shield - were aboard the huge UH-1 Huey helicopter.

Liberty County sheriff's officers said the weather in the crash area near Cleveland was very foggy at the time.

Sheriff's deputies quoted witnesses as saying it sounded as though the chopper was having engine trouble just before it went down, about 400 yards from the rural Tarkington Fire Station.

A spokesman at the fire station said the accident happened around 7 p.m., but because of the almost inaccessible location, the wreckage was not found until about 4 a.m. He described the crash site as ''in the middle of a half-acre patch of heavy briars'' on the edge of Texas's Big Thicket area.

The spokesman said the three soldiers were pronounced dead, and the bodies were taken to a funeral home in Cleveland.

Deputy Sheriff Don Shawberger said the crew may have been trying to locate an airport to land but became lost in fog.

Army and Federal Aviation Administration investigators were to probe the crash.

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ROME (DEC. 15) UPI - The 12-nation European Community launched two landmark

constitutional conventions Saturday with goals of a common currency, an EC defense role and a ''single voice'' in foreign policy.

''Not every EC summit deserves to be called historic, but I am convinced this one has achieved a major milestone in European policy,'' German Chancellor Helmut Kohl said at the close of a two-day meeting of EC leaders.

The summit, marking the debut of new British Prime Minister John Major, lacked the antagonistic fireworks common when Margaret Thatcher was Britain's leader. She fell from power last month over her strident opposition to EC integration.

''The atmosphere of this summit was extremely good, extremely positive,'' Major said. ''We intend to be wholeheartedly engaged in the process of building, shaping and developing Europe.''

Sharp differences still remain, however, including Britain's opposition to a single European currency.

Besides cementing closer European ties, the EC leaders addressed a wide range of international issues in the summit's final communique.

They lifted a 4-year-old ban on new investments in South Africa to reward the ''significant'' reforms made by President Frederik de Klerk, but kept intact other sanctions, including an arms ban and a prohibition on imports of South African steel and gold coins, pending further steps to dismantle apartheid.

They restated their demand that Iraq fully withdraw from Kuwait, and ''underlined the importance'' of a proposed meeting between President Bush and Iraq's foreign minister. Breaking with U.S. policy, however, the EC called for an international peace conference on the Middle East.

The summit, ''fully supporting'' the reforms of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, approved $1 billion in food aid and $560 million in technical assistance for the Soviet Union. Lesser aid was approved for Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria and Romania.

EC leaders stressed the importance of successfully completing the stalled world trade talks, but proposed no new initiatives to break a bitter deadlock with the United States over the EC's massive farm subsidies. The president of the EC executive Commission, Jacques Delors, said U.S. negotiators ''should stop insulting us throughout the world.''

The centerpiece of the summit was inauguration of twin constitutional conventions, on economic and monetary union and on political union, with each holding its first session on Saturday afternoon.

Both conventions, known as ''intergovernmental conferences,'' are expected to end late next year with landmark changes to the EC's founding document, the

1957 Treaty of Rome, leading eventually to a single currency and a joint foreign policy.

In the final communique, EC leaders said the conference on political union would seek ''a means to allow the EC to speak effectively with a single voice on the world stage,'' including a common EC position on disarmament questions and United Nations debates.

The most carefully worded section of the communique dealt with defense policy, which could present problems for neutral Ireland, an EC member, or for other neutrals seeking EC membership such as Austria and Sweden.

''We underline that we see the EC playing a role on questions of defense, without prejudice to obligations of member states and while reinforcing existing NATO links,'' the EC leaders said.

The communique presented only general outlines and not strict mandates for the two conferences, which will entail tough negotiations among national ministers meeting regularly in Brussels over the next year.

''We have a menu for the intergovernmental conferences,'' Major said. ''Our favorite dishes are on that menu. So are others' favorite dishes, but the Community has not yet decided which orders to place.''

Replied the host, EC President Giulio Andreotti, Italy's prime minister: ''The important thing is that all 12 guests have sat down at the table.''

Major said he would try to persuade the dinner party on his alternative ''market-driven'' approach to a single currency. He has proposed a parallel 13th EC currency, a ''hard ECU'' (European Currency Unit) to compete alongside the 12 national currencies.

Delors, who favors a single currency under a central European bank committed to price stability, said he was ''distrustful'' of the hard ECU approach.

''To derail us into something that would not lead to a single currency and a single central bank would be a distraction,'' he said. ''If we need to provoke a political crisis we will do so.''

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official saying, ''Iraq alone sets the proper appointments for its president to meet foreign officials.''

Saddam had wanted Baker to come to Baghdad Jan. 12. But Washington rejected that date as too close to the U.N.-imposed Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to withdraw its troops from Kuwait, which was invaded by Saddam's forces Aug. 2.

Spokesmen for President Bush, who was spending the weekend at the Camp David, Md., presidential retreat, had no immediate comment on Iraq's latest rejection of Washington's proposed Jan. 3 date for a Baker-Saddam meeting.

But the Iraqi announcement appeared to jeopardize a planned meeting Monday between Bush and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. Bush said Friday that the Monday session was ''on hold'' until the Baker meeting was worked out.

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The Egyptian president also vowed to use his forces to defend other gulf Arab states from any Iraqi aggression and called on Saddam to make the ''courageous choice'' and pull his troops from the emirate before the Jan. 15 deadline.

The U.N. Security Council passed a resolution calling on Iraq to withdraw by that date or face possible military force by the international troops in the region.

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Thirty-eight U.S. citizens and 10 Canadians received a hero's welcome on their arrival at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland, near Washington, aboard a flight from Frankfurt, Germany.

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Howell said he locked the gate and left the garrison flag flying over the compound and he vowed that it will be re-opened.

''Make no mistake, the only industry in Kuwait now is war,'' Howell said. He described Iraqi troops as digging entrenchments in Kuwait and giving no sign they are going to pull out.

Baker was on hand to greet the former hostages, some of whom were detained as ''human shields'' at key sites around Iraq to deter an attack by a U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the gulf region.

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BRUNSWICK, GA (DEC. 15) UPI - The suspect in the 1989 bombing deaths of a federal judge in Alabama and a Georgia civil rights lawyer could be sentenced to 69 years in prison on a conviction linked to a 1972 bomb possession case.

A federal jury found Walter Leroy Moody Jr. guilty Friday on 13 counts of bribery, obstruction of justice and witness tampering in an attempt to have his 1972 federal bomb possession conviction overturned.

He faces up to 69 years in prison and $1.3 million in fines. No sentencing

date was set.

Moody plans an appeal that, according to his defense counsel, will be based on claims of illegal searches and seizures of his property by government investigators.

Moody is a suspect in the bombing deaths last December of Alabama federal Judge Robert Vance and Savannah, Ga., civil rights lawyer and Alderman Robert Robinson. They were killed by pipe bombs mailed to them, and Moody faces trial on a 70-count indictment in the case.

The suspect is also accused of sending bombs to the Jacksonville, Fla., office of the NAACP and the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals building in Atlanta. No one was hurt in those incidents.

In the bomb possession case, a jury of eight women and four men deliberated three hours before finding Moody guilty of paying two women to provide false testimony and false affidavits in 1988 and 1989 in an effort to have the 1972 conviction overturned and of trying to foil an investigation of the payoffs.

Moody, who fainted in federal prison when told that his wife was divorcing him and when indicted in the mail bombings, showed no emotion when the verdict was read Friday.

''He knew it was coming. He was not surprised,'' said Edward Tolley, Moody's court-appointed lawyer.

Tolley had argued in court that his client was insane, but Moody objected to that line of defense. So Tolley then told jurors that Moody was not insane, but had sufficient mental disorders to leave him unable to intentionally commit a crime.

''He has the IQ of a genius and all the insight of an imbecile,'' Tolley said of being forced to switch defenses in mid-trial. ''He made the decision and he's not back there bellyaching about it. I would rather have done it another way.''

At one point in the trial, Tolley referred to Moody as ''nuts, goofy, screwball, idiotic and simplistic.''

But federal prosecutor Lewis Freeh said three out of four psychiatrists who testified found no serious mental defect in Moody.

''What I'm saying is, he's a fake. He's a sham,'' Freeh said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 15) UPI - An FBI official in a ''highly sensitive position'' abuses drugs and steals secret documents. A federal prosecutor packs a pistol in Justice Department headquarters. A DEA employee is arrested for possession of cocaine.

That's just some of the dirty linen buried in the latest report from the Office of Professional Responsibility, the Justice Department's internal watchdog.

OPR's annual report is a tantalizing glimpse at the department's nasty little secrets, which it cites drily as ''representative examples of misconduct investigated by the office.''

The cases range from a federal drug agent suspected of murder (he was later cleared), to FBI agents submitting questionable meal receipts (they were suspended). The fact that the OPR report contains no names only raises the level of titillation.

It's compiled by Michael Shaheen, the only person ever to hold the position of counsel to the Office of Professional Responsibility. The office turns 15 on Tuesday.

In releasing his report for 1989, Shaheen dutifully noted that the office opened 427 cases involving misconduct of department employees, closed 316 cases and had 409 matters pending.

He said his office also monitored 1,041 misconduct cases being handled by the internal investigation units at the FBI and Drug Enforcement Administration.

''On the whole,'' Shaheen concluded, ''Department of Justice employees continued to perform their duties in accordance with the high professional standards expected of the nation's principal law enforcement agency.''

But enough about the do-gooders. The juicy stuff begins on page 7:

OPR investigators were tipped off that an assistant U.S. attorney brought a handgun into the main Justice Department building in Washington. The prosecutor ''admitted to possessing and displaying the handgun, but denied that he knew such conduct may have violated local criminal statutes.'' He received a two-week suspension.

Another assistant U.S. attorney, apparently in a fit of jealousy, decided to dig up some dirt on a man who dated his girlfriend. OPR investigators said the prosecutor had police run a computer check of the man's driving record and got a copy of a police report on the man's drunken driving arrest.

He also obtained the man's divorce petition and turned it over to the Immigration and Naturalization Service ''to further an INS inquiry into a

possible 'sham' marriage by the individual.'' The prosecutor received an official reprimand.

And what report on misconduct would be complete without sex? The office investigated allegations that a ''high-ranking official'' had ''engaged in sexual intercourse with a subordinate who had a personnel action pending within the official's area of responsibility.''

The official initially denied the allegation, but failed two FBI- administered lie-detector tests. ''After registering deception on a second polygraph examination, the subject admitted that the allegation was true. The subject retired before formal disciplinary action was taken.''

Some investigations turn up a treasure-trove of violations. One FBI employee ''in a highly sensitive position'' was found to have: used illegal drugs on several occasions, driven a government vehicle while under the influence, shoplifted, kept a revolver under the seat of his car, and removed classified documents to his home and later destroyed them. ''The employee resigned after being notified of the FBI's intention to initiate removal proceedings.''

Occasionally the OPR gets bad information, like the tip from a local police department that a DEA agent was a prime suspect in a murder. The agent passed a lie-detector test, and ballistics experts determined his gun was not used in the killing. A suspect was later identified and arrested.

Other times, what appears to be bad information turns out to be prophetic. A relative of one DEA employee accused him of using cocaine and voluntarily submitted to a lie-detector test. After the relative flunked the test, it was decided that no action would be taken against the employee.

About two months later, however, the same employee was arrested by local police for possession of cocaine. The employee was ordered to take a drug test which came back positive. He resigned.

And then there are those who simply stumble over ethics, like the three undercover FBI agents who submitted phony meal receipts. The agents admitted to ''irregularities in the handling of undercover funds'' and were censured, placed on probation and suspended for seven days.

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DALLAS (DEC. 15) UPI - A United Airlines jet made an unscheduled landing at the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport Saturday after the pilot noticed smoke in the cockpit, an airline spokeswoman said.

There were no injuries, and the plane landed safely.

United spokeswoman Laura Winiarski said Flight 751 left Houston at 6:40 a.m. with 85 passengers and a crew of five, and was to fly to Denver and Boise. But the pilot put the plane down in Dallas at 7:49 a. m. as a precautionary move because of the smoke, Winiarski said.

She said the twin-engine Boeing 737's passengers and crew disembarked in a normal manner and that no one was hurt. No emergency chutes were used.

Winiarski said the flight was later canceled, and the passengers were either placed on other United flights or booked on other airlines.

It was not immediately clear what created the smoke in the cockpit, but the incident was under investigation.

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#90349u0342 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

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Information Minister Latif Nassif Jassim said that Iraq was canceling the Monday meeting and rejected attempts by Washington to set a date for a proposed meeting between Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Secretary of State James Baker in Baghdad.

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A spokesman for President Bush, who was spending the weekend at Camp David, Md., said Iraq's formal announcement Saturday canceling Aziz's trip to Washington proved Baghdad is not serious about the proposed talks.

''We have communicated to the Iraqis that mutually satisfactory dates (for the high-level meetings) should be set,'' spokesman John Herrick said from the presidential retreat. ''Today's public announcement is just a reaffirmation of the Iraqi unwillingness to deal seriously with the issue.''

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Algerian President Chadli Benjedid meanwhile arrived in Damascus, Syria Saturday during a peace tour of the region. Arab diplomatic sources said Benjedid had hoped on his tour to set up a meeting between Saddam and Saudi King Fahd, but Saudi Arabia did not allow Benjedid to visit.

Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat meanwhile arrived in Amman, Jordan Saturday for talks with King Hussein. Arab diplomatic sources said the two want to help keep the proposed U.S.- Iraqi talks from collapsing.

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#90349u0354 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

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Workers at the largest catfish processing company have accepted a contract offer and are ending their strike after 13 weeks. Union leaders compared conditions for the employees, mostly black women, to slavery days.

Chinese Premier Li Peng says his country will remain socialist. Li told a news conference in the Philippines only chaos and UNemployment have resulted from the changes in eastern Europe.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 15) UPI - The Atlanta mansion of Saudi Arabian Prince Faisal is going on the auction block, following a ruling by federal bankruptcy Judge Hugh Robinson.

Robinson ruled Friday that Prince Faisal Mohamed Al-Saud Al Kabir ''abused the bankruptcy process'' by transferring his mansion, its furnishings and a gun collection to a holding corporation to protect it from bankruptcy.

No date for the mansion's auction has been set by the CJS Corp., headed by former Georgia Gov. Carl Sanders, which is owed $11 million by the prince. The mansion and its furniture were collateral for a $3 million loan to Faisal.

The corporation is also seeking to foreclose on 5,400 acres of farmland in Bartow and Floyd counties put up for an $8 million loan.

The prince reportedly is in Saudi Arabia seeking financing for his Georgia properties.

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MUNICH, GERMANY (DEC. 15) UPI - Pete Sampras became the first finalist of the $6 million Grand Slam Saturday by defeating fellow-American Michael Chang in straight sets, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.

The victory assured Sampras, the U.S. Open champion, $1 million and he will have a chance to double the sum by winning the final Sunday in tennis' richest event. David Wheaton was scheduled to play Brad Gilbert in Saturday's second semifinal.

''I have played my best tennis in months,'' said Sampras, who added that a blister under his right foot did not bother him.

After losing to Sampras for the first time in his career, Chang went home with $450,000, more than his 1990 earnings entering the tournament.

Sampras needed 2 hours, 27 minutes to eliminate Chang, whose form paled to the one he showed earlier in the week while defeating world No. 1 Stefan Edberg of Sweden.

Sampras benefited from many unforced errors by Chang and coasted through the first set in 30 minutes. Sampras broke Chang at 2-2 in the second set en route to taking a 2-0 lead.

The third set was the most competitive. Sampras had four chances to break Chang's service at 1-1, but he missed them all. A similar situation arose in the next game, but Chang failed to capitalize. Sampras responded with aces to

thwart each of Chang's four break chances.

Sampras broke Chang's next game to take a 3-2 lead and barrelled to another game with his powerful serve. Chang rallied to tie 4-4, but Sampras produced the third break in the set and then served out the match.

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#90349u0400 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

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President Bush says he is looking into the Education Department's surprise ruling bannng scholarships based on race. An assistant secretary, Michael Williams, said Wednesday scholarships earmarked for a particular minority group or race will be considered illegal. Civil rights advocates have protested. The White House was taken by surprise. Bush told reporters yesterday- ''We're looking at it right now.''

A top labor leader questions Lynn Martin's qualifications to be labor secretary. A-F-L C-I-O President Lane Kirkland says that in 10 years in Congress, Kirkland voted with labor only 29 percent of the time. President Bush nominated her yesterday for the labor post to replace Elizabeth Dole. Dole had received support from the A-F-L C-I-O.

Representative Tony Hall says congressional hearings may be held into A-T-and-T's attempt to buy N-C-R, the nation's fifth largest computer firm. Hall said he is trying to get other members of Ohio's congressional delegation to oppose the hostile takeover. N-C-R is based in Dayton, Ohio. Ohio Lieutenant Governor Paul Leonard called for Ohioans to boycott A-T-and-T.

A University of New Hampshire political scientist says the U-S economy benefits when Japanese businesses take over American companies. Professor Bernard Gordon said the foreign capital creates jobs and promotes growth in the United States. He also pointed out that Britain and the Netherlands have far greater investments in the United States, but with far less notice.

Union workers at Delta Pride Catfish, the nation's largest catfish processor, have voted to accept a contract offer and end their 13-week strike. Workers will receive raises of 65 to 85 cents an hour. They had received four dollars five cents. Most of the employees are black females. Union leaders compared conditions at the Indianola, Mississippi, firm to pre-Civil War plantation life.

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#90349u0401 12/15/1990 ~United Press International
JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 15) UPI - Authorities on Saturday freed 27 political prisoners, bringing the number freed since Pretoria struck a deal with the African National Congress to accelerate racial reform in August to more than 90, a Justice Ministry official said.

The 27 were freed from the country's Alcatraz, Robben Island Prison off Cape Town, in terms of reformist agreements, Justice spokeswoman Maj. Elsa Jones said.

''It would be fair to say these are all political prisoners ... they were released in terms of special dispensations in accordance with the Pretoria Minute,'' Jones said, referring to the accord reached between the ANC and the government Aug. 6 at their second and latest round of preliminary talks on ending apartheid.

She gave no details about the freed prisoners, their political affiliations or their sentences, but said, ''More than 90 political prisoners have been released.''

The government agreed in principle at the August talks to release an estimated 1,500 people held for politically motivated offences by April 1991 and promised to step up other reforms. In return, the ANC suspended its 29-year guerrilla war against white minority rule.

The ANC has since criticized the slow pace of the prisoner releases, charging President Frederik de Klerk is reneging on the deal.

Government spokesmen have replied that de Klerk did not plan initially to release the prisoners in large batches, but would increase their numbers as the April deadline drew nearer.

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#90349u0440 12/15/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 15) UPI - The last group of former U-S hostages in Iraq and Kuwait was flown to Andrews Air Force Base near Washington yesterday. Any other Americans wanting to leave now will use regular commercial flights.

A-F-L C-I-O President Lane Kirkland is cool to Lynn Martin, President Bush's nominee as labor secretary. Kirkland says in her 10 years in Congress, Martin's voting record is NOT pro-labor.

The administration may try to change the ruling by an Education Department official prohibiting scholarships based on race. The White House was taken by surprise by the ruling along with angry civil rights leaders.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney says the Navy's Avenger aircraft program may be canceled. It is a year behind schedule and one-BILLION dollars over budget. The Avenger is designed to be a carrier-based attack plane.

A federal jury has ordered jailed television evangelist Jim Bakker to pay former followers 129-Million dollars. The jury found Bakker committed fraud in promising contributors free lodging at a theme park run by his ministry.

Vietnam and its allies in Cambodia have rejected the U-N peace plan for Cambodia. The plan calls for a U-N presence to administer key ministries in Cambodia until national elections are organized.

Communist guerrillas in the Philippines say they will oberve five days of cease-fire during the holidays. A 24-hour Christmas truce and a 72-hour one at New Year's are scheduled.

Polish Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki formally resigned yesterday after 15 months in office. He led Eastern Europe's first non-communist government since World War Two. President-elect Lech Walesa will name his own prime minister.

Autopsies on 12 people found dead in Tijuana, Mexico, show they were killed by a gas leak from a butane lamp. They died during a religious ceremony. Five other people were made comatose.

A New York City judge has sentenced a 14-year-old boy known as a bully to three years for setting fire to a schoolboy who was seriously burned. The first year of the youth's sentence is to be spent in a ''secure'' facility.

The county prosecutor in Pontiac, Michigan, says he will NOT appeal dismissal of a murder charge against Dr. Jak Kevorkian. Kevorkian invented a ''suicide machine'' which a seriously ill woman used to kill herself.

The drug trial of former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega has been postponed again- at least until June. The Justice Department is trying to get foreign governments to UNfreze his assets so he has money to defend himself.

Nasty weather has been pounding the United States. Snow fell from the West Coast to New England. Winds to 90 miles an hour hit Colorado. Buildings were damaged in Boulder and Golden.

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#90349u0444 12/15/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 15) UPI - C O R R E C T I O N:

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industry in Kuwait now is war.'' He says he destroyed the embassy's files and locked the gate as he left. The stars and stripes was still flying... to show that the United States will return.

A snowstorm has moved out of the Rocky Mountains and headed east after dumping snow on the Rockies for three days. Snow advisories are posted for parts of South Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin. Ski resorts in Utah's Wasatch Mountains have up to 16 inches of new snow- the most from the three-day storm. There's also snow in Oregon, Washington state and California's mountains.

A strike is over at the nation's largest catfish processor. Union workers at the Delta Pride catfish company in Indianola, Mississippi, voted to accept a new contract offer that pays about the same as the company's closest competitor. During the 13-week strike, two company stockholders were indicted for trying to bribe a striker and a one worker was beaten by a police officer.

Boston police arrested a lawyer representing a drug suspect as he left a courthouse Friday. The lawyer says he was carrying a 20-pound sack of bird feed. Police say he was carrying a bag filled with marijuana seeds. Keith Halpern says he took the seed to court to prove his client's innocence. Now he too, faces marijuana charges.

The Tribune Company says its 1990 net income will be reduced by substantially more than 30 percent. The Tribune says the drop in income is because of strikes against the New York Daily News and at Canadian paper mills. Last year the Tribune reported net income of 242-Million dollars.

A New Jersey research institute is creating a national cell bank. The Coriell Institute wants to use the cell bank to untangle the genetic transmission of Alzheimer's disease, manic depression and schizophrenia. The institute will collect and analyze blood samples from six-thousand afflicted people.

Alaska's potatoes are popular. Alaska does NOT grow enough potatoes for even its own population. This winter, a city in the Soviet Far East wants four-thousand pounds of spuds from Alaska. Potatoes grown in Alaska are sweeter than other American varieties because of the long daylight in the summer.

One of the burdens of being president is the Christmas card list. President and Mrs. Bush are mailing 145-thousand cards this holiday season. The first family gets the cards free from the Republican National Committee. And presumably, some help in stuffing the envelopes and licking the stamps.

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#90349u0474 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 15) UPI - An Iraqi cargo ship carrying powdered milk and medicine for Iraqi children entered the Suez Canal from the Mediterranean today. The voyage

was organized by Arab and Western women- including three Americans. It is NOT known if ships enforcing the U-N embargo will intercept the ship after it enters the Persian Gulf.

Two senators who met with President Bush yesterday said he still is hopeful high-level talks can take place between Iraq and the United States. But Iraq proposes a date of January 12th for the second meeting in Baghdad. The administration wants the meeting January 3rd at the latest so Iraq can withdraw from Kuwait by the January 15th deadline.

By today, doctors are expected to disconnect a feeding tube implanted in Nancy Cruzan. She has been in a vegetative state for nearly eight years. A judge ruled in Carthage, Missouri, yesterday that her parents can have the tube removed. Cruzan is expected to die within 10 to 14 days after the tube is removed.

Presidents of Central American are meeting this weekend in Costa Rica to discuss regional trade and economic growth. Business organizations have made recommendations to promote the nations' economies. The economy of Central America has been badly hurt by a series of civil wars.

Haitians will elect a new president tomorrow along with members of congress and hundreds of local officials. It will be Haiti's third federal election in four years. The last two have been marred by coups, repression or violence. Haiti is the poorest nation in the Western Hemisphere.

The African National Congress is holding its first national conference in South Africa in 30 years. Among the issues are a re- evaluation of the economic sanctions against the white minority government. An A-N-C spokesman says the 16-hundred delegates are offering spirited debate on every issue.

A former business associate of Charles Keating says the S-and-L figure contributed money to politicians to ''buy access'' to them. James Grogan testifed before the Senate Ethics Committee. He says Keating did NOT bribe any of the five seators accused of improperly pressuring bank regulators to help Keating.

An affidavit unsealed yesterday by a court in Miami claims that Eastern Airlines routinely falsified maintenance records. A criminal investigator says Eastern workers made false entries in log books that work was finished so flights would not be canceled or delayed. He said in many cases the work was not even attempted.

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#90349u0484 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI (DEC. 15) UPI - Former President Jimmy Carter Saturday congratulated interim President Ertha Pascal-Trouillet for bringing Haiti to

the door of democratic elections that pit a populist priest against a former World Bank economist.

The streets of downtown Port-au-Prince were unusually quiet with little traffic and few pedestrians as Haitians prepared for Sunday's election, the third in four years as the poor Caribbean nation seeks democracy in the wake of the 29-year Duvalier dictatorship.

Two policemen patrolled the central plaza with hands resting on their guns. A ban on sale of alcohol took effect at 9 p.m. Saturday amid rumors of a possible curfew.

A ban on campaigning 24 hours before the polls open at 6 a.m. Sunday kept 11 presidential candidates out of public. Some 2.7 million people are eligible to vote Sunday for president, a two-chamber Congress and hundreds of local officials.

One of the leading presidential candidates is Jean-Bertrand Aristide, a fiery 37-year-old priest expelled from the Catholic Salesian order in 1988 for pursuing populist political activities. He has drawn huge support from rural voters.

Aristide's main competition is Marc Bazin, a former World Bank economist whose support comes mainly from Haiti's middle class and the far right.

On Feb. 7, the winner will succeed Pascal-Trouillot, a supreme court judge who has led the country since March.

Carter, who is among international observers present to monitor the election, said registration at 80-85 percent of eligible voters was higher than expected. Observers expected the turnout to be high.

But TonTon Macoutes' leader Roger Lafontaine, whose presidential bid was turned down by the country's Electoral Council, called early Saturday on his supporters to abstain from voting.

The Tonton Macoutes, a group of thugs loyal to former dictator Jean- Claude ''Baby Doc'' Duvalier, have been blamed for most of the atrocities in Haiti in the past few decades. Duvalier fled to France on a U.S. Air Force plane in February, 1986, ending nearly 30 years of dictatorship by the Duvalier family.

Pascal-Trouillot was a high-level official in Duvalier's government and is seen by many Haitians as a puppet of the former dictatorship.

Carter Saturday endorsed government preparations for this weekend's elections and said he was not worried about the possibility of violence.

''Our delegation has just congratulated President Ertha Pascal- Trouillot on

her wonderful leadership in bringing this nation to the eve of what we fully expect to be a successful demonstration of freedom and democracy,'' Carter told reporters.

Carter met with Pascal-Trouillet Saturday, hours before what observers hoped would be Haiti's first democratic elections in decades and the third in four years - the last two marred by coups, repression and violence.

Carter said he did not expect violence as in 1987, when the Army opened fire on civilians at voting booths.

''I am not concerned about the possibility of violence,'' Carter said. ''I think that if there is violence it will be very minimal and localized.''

But former Texas congressman Jim Wright told United Press International that the chance of violence could not be ruled out.

''I don't think the United States can say with any certainty if the election will or won't be peaceful,'' Wright said. ''I think the Army and the government are doing their honest best to guarantee an election free of violence and free of intimidation.''

Aristide, whose supporters are calling him the ''people's candidate'' in this weekend's presidential election, addressed a crowd of 3,000 chanting and dancing voters Friday, predicting victory.

''I will be president at 10 a.m. Sunday, even before the vote,'' Aristide confidently told the crowd. Aristide presented a bouquet of flowers to his followers and said, ''These flowers are for all of Haiti. We all have to take the country for all.''

Aristide, thrown out of his parish for preaching liberation theology and leftist politics, has assumed a populist political program in the campaign. But details of his plan remain a virtual mystery. Aristide has said he wants change for all of Haiti, but he told reporters recently he would not purge the police force or the bureaucracy.

Thousands waited three hours for Aristide to appear in the main downtown park under a beating sun, chanting, ''Aristide president'' and ''Tonton Macoute, terrorist.''

The Tonton Macoutes were blamed for a grenade attack last week just after Aristide left a rural campaign stop. Seven people died and 53 were wounded.

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PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI (DEC. 15) UPI - The following is a chronology of key

events in Haiti since the end of the Duvalier dictatorship in 1986 and leading up to general elections Sunday:

-February, 1986: After weeks of violent protests, the so-called President-for-life Jean-Claude ''Baby Doc'' Duvalier flees to France on a U.S. Air Force plane, ending nearly 30 years of dictatorship of the Duvalier family. A five-man military-civilian junta, with an adviser, headed by Gen. Henri Namphy, announces it is in control.

-March, 1986: Namphy fires two junta members and the adviser, Gen. Prosper Avril, each considered to have been particularly close to the Duvalier regime.

-April, 1986: Soldiers at Fort Dimanche open fire on marchers commemorating an April 26, 1963 massacre under former President Francois Duvalier. Six people die, three are shot and others are electrocuted or crushed in the panic.

-June, 1986: After days of roadblocks and demonstrations, Namphy announces general elections will be held before Feb. 7, 1988.

-August, 1986: Then Secretary of State George Shultz visits, pledges continuing support for ''democratic efforts.''

-October 1986: Haitians vote in small numbers for 41 members of an assembly to create a new constitution.

-November, 1986: Namphy flies to Miami, Fla., on a trip that will also take him to Washington to seek more economic aid.

-November 1987: Haiti's military-controlled government suspends the first presidential Nov. 27 vote following a massacre in which at least 34 people are killed. After the incident, the United States cuts off $100 million-a-year in aid to the strife-torn Caribbean nation.

-January, 1988: Leslie Manigat, a political science professor, wins a widely boycotted national election; Manigat's leading rivals claim the elections are rigged by Namphy's provisional government to ensure a Manigat victory.

-February, 1988: Manigat assumes office as Haiti's first elected president in 30 years.

-June, 1988: Namphy ousts Manigat, declaring an all-military government with himself as president after Manigat attempts to curb the general's powers.

-September, 1988: Avril, an aide to Jean-Claude Duvalier, seizes power from Namphy in a coup, promising Haitians to save the country from ''anarchy and chaos.''

-March, 1990: Supreme Court Judge Ertha Pascal-Trouillot takes office as

interim president, presiding over a 19-member Council of State, after dictator Avril is driven from power following a week of violent protests.

-Dec. 5, 1990: An explosion at a campaign rally for Father Jean- Bertrand Aristide, a progressive priest running for president, kills five people and injures more than 50 people.

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(DEC. 15) UPI - HAITI AT A GLANCE

Population: 6,300,000 (est. 1987)
Area: 10,714 square miles
Capital: Port-au-Prince
President: Ertha Pascal-Trouillot (March 1990)

History - Columbus landed at Cape St. Nicolas in northwestern Haiti Dec. 6, 1492. It later became a base for British and French buccaneers. A French colony was established in 1677. Slaves defeated Emperor Napoleon Bonaparte's troops and Haiti gained independence in 1804, becoming the world's first black republic. A succession of dictators has run the nation with little interruption. To quell political violence, the United States occupied Haiti from 1915 to 1934. Nearly 30 years of dictatorship under President Francois Duvalier and then his son ended when Jean-Claude Duvalier fled Haiti Feb. 7, 1986.

The Tontons Macoutes - ''bogeyman'' in Haitian Creole - were founded by President Francois Duvalier after an attempted military coup in July 1958. Duvalier's son Jean-Claude curbed their powers after he came to power in 1971 and renamed them Volunteers for National Security in an effort to improve Haiti's image aboard. They remained an important counterbalance to the military however - with 15,000 members outnumbering the army 2 to 1 - and were deployed in force with Duvalier's declaration of a state of siege in January 1986. Reports cited numerous random murders of Haitians. Following the younger Duvalier's departure from Haiti Feb. 7, 1986, the new government dissolved the Tontons Macoutes, whose members had become targets of widespread reprisal killings.

Geography - Mountainous Haiti, the size of Maryland with 10,714 square miles, occupies the western third of the West Indies' Hispaniola Island, which it shares with the Dominican Republic. It is 600 miles southeast of Florida and 60 miles east of Cuba across the Windward Passage. Poverty and poor management have severely cut mountainous Haiti's once lush forests - 60 percent of the land in the 1920s, now just 5 percent.

Government - After the collapse of the Duvalier dictatorship in February 1986, army chief of staff Lt. Gen. Henri Namphy led a military interim government for two years until an elected civilian president took office Feb. 7, 1988. New President Leslie Manigat attempted to curb Namphy's powers, and the general ousted him June 19, 1988, declaring an all-military government with himself as president. Army Brig. Gen. Prosper Avril, an aide to Jean-Claude Duvalier, seized power from Namphy in September 1988. Supreme Court Judge Ertha Pascal-Trouillot has been interim president since March, 1990, presiding over a 19-member Council of State. Pascal-Trouillot, a staunch feminist, took office after dictator Avril was driven from power following a week of violent protests.

People - Most of Haiti's 6.3 million people - 95 percent black, 5 percent mulatto - live below the World Bank's absolute poverty level with a per capita income of $380 a year. Some 80 percent are Catholic, but voodoo is widely practiced. French, the official language, is understood by only 10 percent of the population. Fewer than one in five can write; 15 percent die before their first birthday. With 50 percent unemployment, thousands of Haitians have fled their homeland in recent years, many in makeshift boats bound for Miami.

Economy - The poorest nation in the Western Hemisphere and most densely populated, Haiti imports 45 percent of its food. It has no oil and few exploitable minerals. Tourism, which increased as Francois Duvalier's shadow diminished, dwindled to near nothing after reports identified Haitians as a high-risk group for the disease AIDS.

U.S. relations - More than 150 American companies have plants in Haiti, and Haitian companies assemble imported components for U.S. firms. A $3-a-day minimum wage for industrial work makes jobs in the growing assembly industry the best paying around. U.S. government pressure on Jean-Claude Duvalier to democratize the country and his own inability to manage the Caribbean nation were important factors that led to his departure to France in February 1986 on a U.S. Air Force plane. Since the collapse of the Duvalier dictatorship, the U.S. government has sometimes provided and sometimes threatened to slash economic aid to Haiti in the face of political instability and human rights violations. The U.S. Congress was sending about $50 million annually to Haiti before Duvalier left.

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PUNTARENAS, COSTA RICA (DEC. 15) UPI - Central American presidents were gathering this weekend to discuss joining an economic trading bloc with Mexico and the United States and condemn regional violence that has drained their economies.

''There are great expectations in Central America about the results of this meeting,'' Costa Rican Foreign Minister Bernard Niehaus said. ''But there will be no miracles.''

The ninth regional summit starting Saturday afternoon was organized as a gathering of presidents Rafael Calderon of Costa Rica, Alfredo Cristiani of El Salvador, Vinicio Cerezo of Guatemala, Rafael Callejas of Honduras and Violeta Chamorro of Nicaragua.

Panamanian President Guillermo Endara was to attend as an observer.

Most the leaders were traveling to the Costa Rican capital of San Jose before boarding Soviet-made helicopters, on loan from Nicaragua, to the Pacific Coast port city of Puntarenas about 70 miles west of the capital.

Foreign and finance ministers from the countries met Thursday and Friday to set the summit agenda.

The presidents hoped to discuss the region's integration into an economic trading bloc with Mexico and the United States, and eventually Canada. Finance ministers say economic integration could open world markets to Central American products.

The advantages and disadvantages of President Bush's initiative for the Americas, calling for a free-trade zone in the Western Hemisphere, also was included on the agenda, officials said.

High on the list of topics was the decade-old civil war in El Salvador and demilitarization of a region that has been plagued with violence for decades. Rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, have intensified attacks against the Salvadoran military since Nov. 20 to force the government to restructure the country's armed forces.

Rebels say negotiations have failed to achieve the military reforms.

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#90349u0540 12/15/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 15) UPI - The European Community has abolished its four-year-old ban on member nations investing in South Africa. The 12-nation community took the action today as it ended a meeting in Rome. British Prime Minister John Major said the European Community was recognizing reforms going on in South Africa.

A ban remains on importing gold and steel from South Africa and on trading its coins.

This week's ruling by an Education Department official that scholarships based on race are illegal caught many people by surprise- including the White House. Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the staff found out about it from news media. President Bush indicates it may do something to change the ruling. He told reporters eysterday he is looking into the ruling.

Iraq has rejected the January 3rd date the United States proposed for a meeting between Secretary of State James Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein. Iraq has proposed January 12th. But the U-S administration considers that date too close to the U-N deadline of January 15th to allow time for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. Two senators who met with President Bush yesterday say he may abandon the idea of Iraq-U-S meetings if the two countries can NOT agree on acceptable dates.

Space agency engineers are confident they can adjust the Ulysses spaceprobe as it heads to explore the sun. It began wobbling November 4th after a 24-foot antenna was extended from it. If the wobble lasts, it could interfere with the communications and limit data sent back to earth. Engineers say the wobble is caused by the antenna expanding and contracting as it turns toward and away from the sun.

Federal authorities say Jorge Roca Suarez is the most important member of a cocaine cartel they have in U-S custoday. He was arrested Thursday in a Los Angeles suburb. Roca is charged with 30 felonies. An indictment unsealed yesterday said Roca used kidnapping, beatings and murder to promote his criminal enterprise.

N-C-R says it has filed suit charging A-T-and-T made false statements about its six-BILLION-dollar tender offer for N-C-R. N-C-R says A-T-and- T violated both the Securities Exchange Act and rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. N-C-R says its board of directors has unanimously rejected A-T-and-T's offer of 90 dollars a share. A-T-and-T vowed to go ahead with the takeover.

A well-known Mexican singer, Francisco Gabilondo Soler, died yesterday at his home in central Mexico. He was 83. Gobilondo was known as Cri-Cri to his fans. He started singing on radio during the 1930s. He wrote hundreds of children's songs enjoyed by generations of Mexicans over the years.

A St. Paul, Minnesota, woman says she and four other adventurers plan to become the first women to make a trek across Antacrctic. They plan to go 17-hundred miles from the Weddell Sea to McMurdo Base. They will ski and pull 200-pounds sleds loaded with supplies. They also will use spinnaker-like sails across icy parts. The trip is scheduled to start in October 1991.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 15) UPI - A former close associate of indicted S&L operator Charles Keating Jr. told a Senate panel Saturday there was at least an ''appearance of impropriety'' in Keating's $1.3 million in contributions to the so-called Keating Five senators and their subsequent actions on his behalf.

But James Grogan, testifying under a grant of limited immunity during a rare weekend session of the ethics committee, repeatedly defended Keating's philosophy of funneling huge contributions to key public officials, saying no action was demanded nor sought in return for the contributions.

Grogan, former vice president of Keating's failed Lincoln Savings and Loan of Irvine, Calif., and corporate counsel for the thrift's parent company, American Continental Corp. of Phoenix, further explained the importance to Keating of Sen. Donald Riegle's role in arranging a key 1987 meeting between the senators and the chief savings and loan regulator. Details of Riegle's involvement in the Keating Five affair had been lacking before Grogan's testimony.

The ethics panel has held 18 days of public hearings into whether Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., John Glenn, D- Ohio, John McCain, R-Ariz., and Riegle, D-Mich., improperly pressured bank regulators to benefit Keating, who has been indicted on state securities and fraud charges in California and is the target of a continuing federal grand jury probe.

On Friday, Grogan testified he believed the large political contributions were designed with the purpose of ''buying access'' to public figures, although he distinguished that from ''buying influence.''

He emphasized in 4 1/2 hours of testimony Saturday that Keating did not expressly state he expected anything in return for the contributions and that the senators never indicated their actions on Keating's behalf - including some extensive contacts with bank regulators handling a probe of Lincoln - required cash.

Under questioning from Sen. Warren Rudman, R-N.H., the panel's vice chairman, Grogan said: ''I never ... got even a hint that the money was being given in exchange for anything. That's why, regardless of the amount, it's not difficult for me to testify that I didn't smell (buying influence), I didn't sniff that, I didn't see that.''

But Rudman countered by asking that even with ''good intentions'' by Keating and the senators, could the combination of ''the sums of money'' and later actions ''could give rise to the appearance of impropriety'' to someone who is not a Washington insider?

''I certainly agree with that, yes,'' Grogan answered.

He also said ''anybody who's under oath and being realistic'' believes an individual is more likely to be heard by a politician as a contributor. Committee special counsel Robert Bennett pointed out that during a 1989 press conference, Keating, asked if he had bought the influence of politicians, said ''I certainly hope so.''

Grogan testified that Keating had many political contacts in Congress and the White House during the 1980s and even met personally with then- Vice President George Bush and cabinet officials under President Reagan.

Until Grogan's appearance, DeConcini and Cranston were the primary focus of allegations during the hearings.

Grogan said Keating and top officials of Lincoln and American Continental viewed Riegle's offer - and later actions - to set up an April 2, 1987, meeting between the senators and Edwin Gray, then chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, was ''a very significant point for us'' during a long and bitter battle with Gray and regulators examining Lincoln's practices.

''We were very frustrated,'' Grogan said. ''And it was that point, when Senator Riegle made that offer, that made a very deep impression on the management of our company because we were excited that finally a senator, who was active on the banking committee, had an idea that there may be a way to create a resolution.''

At the same time Riegle made the offer, Keating was busy arranging a fund-raiser for the senator that brought in $78,250. Grogan said Keating was ''offended'' when Riegle returned the contributions one year later when press accounts surfaced revealing the links to Keating.

Grogan admitted that while Riegle ''set up'' the meeting, he, Keating and other senators worked out the final details for the session. Riegle did not attend the meeting, but did attend one on April 9, 1987, with all five senators and four regulators. The influence-peddling allegations stem in a large part from actions by the senators during those meetings.

Revisiting testimony from Friday that Cranston made a fund-raising pitch the very first time the two met, in 1984 and a Democratic Party function, Grogan said the statements were not ''out of the ordinary or unusual.'' During the encounter, Cranston pointed out he had been supportive of the S&L industry and perhaps deserved the support of Lincoln, Grogan said.

Lincoln failed in 1989, costing taxpayers $2 billion to bail out.

Saturday's session was the panel's last of the year, with the next hearing set for Jan. 2.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (DEC. 16) UPI - Resistance forces fired thousands of artillery shells on positions of the Vietnamese-backed government in Cambodia last week, but suffered more than 100 killed in government counter-attacks, official Phnom Penh radio reported Saturday.

''During the week of 2-8 December, the three reactionary enemy groups continued to shatter our people's tranquility by firing thousands of artillery shells on some border areas in Battambang, Banteay Meanchey, and Siem Reap-Oddar Meanchey Provinces,'' the radio said.

The provinces near the border with Thailand have been the scene of much of the fighting in Cambodia since Vietnam invaded in late 1978.

The radio said government forces launched 12 counteroffensives against the guerrilla groups, killing 102 resistance soldiers.

In a separate report, the Phnom Penh government news agency SPK also reported fighting in Kompong Thom province, about 100 miles north of Phnom Penh.

It said government troops ''wiped out 30 enemy troops, captured 10, and forced 14 others to surrender.''

The reports of fighting came as both the Phnom Penh government and its main backer, Vietnam, flatly rejected a detailed U.N. peace plan that had been seen as the best chance to find a peaceful settlement of the 12-year-old conflict.

Military officers in Thailand have said intelligence reports indicate that both sides are building up their forces for offensives in the dry season that has just begun.

The Phnom Penh government, supplied by Vietnam and the Soviet Union, faces a three-party resistance coalition backed by China, the United States and several non-communist countries in Southeast Asia.

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NEW DELHI, India (DEC. 16) UPI - Police in southern India raided the homes of scores of Sri Lankan separatists Saturday, arresting 86 Tamil activists and confiscating weapons, materials used in making explosives and a radio transmitter, the authorities said.

The arrests came on the second day of a crackdown against supporters of the Tamil separatist movement in Sri Lanka, an Indian Ocean island just off the

tip of India. Tamils have been fighting for several years to create a Hindu homeland in the north and east of the predominantly Buddhist island.

Authorities in India's southeastern Tamil Nadu state have rounded up at least 167 Tamil separatists since the raids began Friday. The southeastern Indian state has been a place of refuge for many of those who fled the fighting in Sri Lanka.

Authorities in Tamil Nadu state had been under pressure from the central government for several months to take action against militants of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam and other Sri Lankan groups who had set up shop in India.

Sri Lankan officials have accused India of providing training and safe haven to guerrillas fighting the Colombo government. They also claim that Tamil rebels have launched attacks against Sri Lanka from bases in south India.

In addition, some Indian politicians have charged that Sri Lankan separatists based in the state have begun providing weapons and training to rebel movements in other parts of India such as Kashmir, Assam and Punjab.

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BANGKOK, Thailand (DEC. 15) UPI - Thai Princess Chulabhorn has resigned as a special ambassador of the World Health Organization because of a dispute over a law barring people infected with AIDS from entering Thailand, officials said Saturday.

''Her Royal Highness does not want to do anything to offend the law,'' said Chotima Pathmanand, director of the Chulabhorn Research Institute which sponsors research and information on the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.

Chotima said the princess tendered her resignation to WHO last Monday after the WHO notified the institute that it was unable to support an international congress on AIDS starting Monday and sponsored by the institute.

WHO said it had to withdraw its support because Thailand has refused to allow people infected with the AIDS virus from entering the country under a 1985 law.

Princess Chulabhorn, the fourth child of King Bhumibol Adulyadej, was appointed WHO special envoy last year. A trained chemist, the princess has traveled widely to observe AIDS treatment and to spread information about the disease which is virtually always fatal.

The upcoming conference was planned to expand knowledge about the disease in Thailand.

''The CRI itself does not ban AIDS-infected people from attending the conference,'' Chotima said. ''Our activities are trying to help AIDS patients.''

He said the institute was non-political and had to obey Thai law.

''The Princess is not in a position to push for the change of the law or interfere with it,'' said a statement issued by the institute.

Thailand is a constitutional monarchy in which the royal family is considered above politics.

Chotima said the WHO has not yet replied to the princess's letter of resignation.

Teera Ramasoota, Director of the Department of Communicable Disease Control, said the law, imposed in 1985, bars people who have AIDS or have tested positive for the virus which causes it.

''At that time we had a very small group of AIDS-infected people,'' he said.''Now the situation has changed. We have AIDS patients everywhere.''

He said the department has urged the Interior Ministry to lift the regulations but the proposal was rejected.

Satit Sirisigh, secretary of the conference, said the lack of WHO support was unlikely to affect the conference, but predicted eight WHO specialists who planned to attend will be absent.

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EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (DEC. 15) UPI - Frank Reich engineered the NFL's highest-scoring offense against the league's best defense after Jim Kelly got hurt Saturday to lead the Buffalo Bills to a 17-13 triumph over the New York Giants.

The AFC East-leading Bills, 12-2, won their third straight game. Despite the rain falling through three quarters and the loss of Kelly late in the second quarter, the Bills succeeded with their passing attack and trailed only once, after the first series.

The Giants, 11-3, lost for the third time in four weeks after starting 10-0. The NFC East titlists hung in with the run and top draft pick Rodney Hampton came up big for the second straight week. He carried 21 times for 105 yards and made five catches for 27 yards.

Reich was 8 of 15 for 97 yards after replacing Kelly, the NFL's top rated

passer. Kelly suffered ligament damage to his left knee - possibly a tear of the medial collateral - when tackle Will Wolford was blocked into him, apparently by Giants linebacker Carl Banks. Wolford left with a sprained knee. Kelly will likely miss the final two games of the regular season.

Giants starting quarterback Phil Simms sprained his right ankle in the third quarter and did not return. Jeff Hostetler finished and was 9 of 16 for 97 yards. Simms was 6 of 10 for 59 yards and was sacked once.

Buffalo's main threat Thurman Thomas, who scored the go-ahead touchdown, ran for 60 yards on 21 carries and made four catches for 65 yards. Andre Reed added four receptions to his league-leading total (now 68) for 54 yards.

Leading by a point, the Bills went ahead 17-13 on the opening play of the fourth quarter on Scott Norwood's 29-yard field goal. Norwood extended his scoring streak to 77 straight games, capping an impressive drive for Reich.

On the opening play of the drive, Reich was sacked for nine yards by Leonard Marshall but came back to throw a 43-yard bomb to Don Beebe. After passes of 6 and 7 yards to Beebe, he was sacked by Lawrence Taylor for 4 yards and faced second-and-14 on the 23.

The seventh-year backup from Maryland, who was 3-0 last year substituting for Kelly, threw 6-yard completions to Thomas, which stood after review, and Keith McKeller to end the third quarter on the Giants' 17.

The Giants drew within 14-13 on the second of Matt Bahr's two consecutive field goals after Hostetler replaced Simms.

Simms slipped on the wet turf after throwing a 9-yard completion to Dave Meggett. After double penalties moved the ball 17 yards to the Bills' 12, the Giants kicked a field goal on fourth-and-two.

Bahr kicked a 23-yard field goal to draw the Giants within 14-10 at halftime.

The Bills ignored the rain and went to their passing game immediately, taking a 14-7 lead 51 seconds into the second quarter.

Thomas scored a 2-yard TD to cap a 78-yard drive, highlighted by a 36-yard Kelly-to-Reed pass. Thomas ran to the sideline, followed Jamie Mueller's blocking and squirted into the end zone between Taylor and Marshall.

Kelly was 6 of 9 in the first quarter for 107 yards and a TD. He threw a 6-yard pass to Reed to tie the score 8:30 into the game. Taking 88 seconds to drive 74 yards, the Bills showed they were undaunted by the Giants scoring on the first possession.

Kelly threw a 48-yard pass to Thomas, to the New York 26, on the drive. Reed

then caught his seventh TD of the season to take over the AFC lead in that category.

The Giants also did what they do best, using their ground game to drive 71 yards in 11 plays while consuming 7:02. Ottis Anderson scored on fourth-and-one for his 80th career touchdown, three plays after Hampton's 41-yard run to the Buffalo 8.

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(DEC. 16) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

Boston - Signed free agent first baseman-outfielder Jack Clark to a 3-year contract.

Cleveland - Named Ken Duzich South Florida scout.

Los Angeles - Signed outfielder Brett Butler to a 3-year contract; gave pitcher Ray Searage his unconditional release.

Utica (NY-Penn League) - Announced 2-year working agreement with Chicago (AL); named Mike Gellinger manager and Bill Ballou, Charley Lau Jr. and Ron McKay coaches.

College

Southern Methodist - Named Tom Rossley football coach.

Football

Atlanta - Placed cornerback Roland Mitchell on injured reserve; signed defensive back Rickey Royal off the practice squad.

Buffalo - Placed cornerback Kirby Jackson on injured reserve; activated defensive back Mark Kelso off injured reserve.

Hockey

Capital District (AHL) - Signed center Kirby Lindal to a tryout contract.

New Jersey - Sent defenseman Viacheslav Fetisov to Utica of the American Hockey League for conditioning purposes.

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#90349u0650 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (DEC. 15) UPI - Nicaraguan legislators cut proposed military spending by 25 percent Saturday after three weeks of intense debate with Sandinista leaders who demanded no reductions in the Sandinista-dominated military.

The National Assembly voted to slash $19.6 million from the $78.6 million in military spending sought by Sandinistas in the government's proposed budget.

A coalition of parties that helped elect President Violeta Chamorro this year have complained that the $78.6 million is too much for a peace-time budget.

''The coalition and Violeta Chamorro promised that we would spend more on teachers than soldiers,'' said a statement released by the coalition called the National Unity Organization after the vote.

Private business, labor unions, the clergy and many mayors have joined the coalition in opposing the proposed military budget.

''It was desirable to cut even more military spending, but without a doubt the vote signals an advance in favor of democracy,'' Vice President Virgilio Godoy said.

Total proposed government spending for next year is about $500 million.

Sandinista deputies in the National Assembly abstained from voting Saturday.

Former Sandinista vice president Sergio Ramirez, leader of the Sandinistas in the National Assembly, said the vote could lead to instability.

''Thousands of soldiers will return to civilian life without any guarantee of work,'' Ramirez said.

The government has been discharging military personnel and hopes to reduce the size of the armed forces to 28,000 by the end of the year. The Sandinista army was made up of 85,000 troops in February, when Chamorro defeated former President Daniel Ortega at the polls.

A group of discharged soldiers last week threatened to use ''anything within their reach'' to force legislators to approve the military spending sought by Sandinistas.

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ROME (DEC. 15) UPI - The 12-nation European Community on Saturday abolished a 4-year-old EC ban on new investments in South Africa in order to recognize reforms by South African President Frederik de Klerk.

Other EC sanctions, which include an arms ban and a prohibition on imports of South African iron, steel and gold coins, remain intact pending further steps to abolish apartheid.

In South Africa, black anti-apartheid groups condemned the decision as ''disgusting'' and ''unfortunate,'' but the government, the liberal opposition and business leaders welcomed the move.

''There was widespread acknowledgement that a considerable amount has been done - the release of political prisoners, the unbanning of political parties, the discussions with the ANC (African National Congress), the abolition of the Separate Amenities Act - a whole series of things that are very positive moves forward in South Africa,'' said new British Prime Minister John Major.

The decision to immediately lift the investment ban was taken on the final day of a two-day summit of EC leaders.

''To help combat unemployment and improve the economic and social situation in South Africa, and to encourage the current movement toward the total abolition of apartheid, we have decided to abolish the ban on new investments,'' EC leaders said in a final summit communique.

Britain has long argued for an end to the EC investment ban imposed in 1986, maintaining it was most harmful to South African blacks. The British government had already lifted its own ban on new investment in South Africa.

Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, who holds the rotating EC presidency, said the Community wanted to send a signal of support to de Klerk.

''It is certain that some progress has been made,'' he said. ''We have to send out some kind of encouragement, but there must be a full return to normality. In particular, the laws on apartheid have to be abrogated.''

In Johannesburg, South Africa, the president of the militantly hard- line Azanian People's Organization, Itumeleng Mosala, called the EC step ''disgusting.'' He said it was ''to be expected, as white people support other white people.''

Shortly before the EC announced its decision, the African National Congress was meeting near Johannesburg for its first national conference in 30 years and passed a resolution calling for the world to maintain sanctions. The ANCmeeting was possible because de Klerk unbanned the ANC last February.

ANC information chief Pallo Jordan later called the EC decision ''unfortunate ... It shows the EC is not convinced by our arguments.''

But Foreign Minister Pik Botha said the lifting of the 4-year-old investment

ban was proof de Klerk's reform initiatives had paid off.

''It is positive recognition for President F.W. de Klerk's courageous steps,'' Botha said. ''It is clear that the government's viewpoint that the process of change is irreversible is beginning to enjoy wider recognition.''

Leader of South Africa's liberal Democratic Party Zach de Beer said the EC was ''plainly right'' to reward Pretoria, and leading businessman Warren Clewlow called the decision ''very good news indeed.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 16) UPI - U.S. officials withheld from Pan Am information that terrorists were planning to plant a bomb on Flight 103, which exploded over Lockerbie, Scotland, two years ago, killing 270 people, the airline charged in court documents.

The airline filed a claim Friday in U.S. District Court, seeking permission to file a third party action in the case, the financial weekly Barron's reported Saturday.

Pan Am alleged the federal government obtained but withheld information that terrorists were planning to plant a bomb on a Pan Am flight originating in either Frankfurt or London sometime in late December, 1988.

The airline also said that in 1987 the Drug Enforcement Administration and other federal agencies - in an effort to identify drug dealers - began monitoring the Pan Am baggage loading facility at Frankfurt International Airport, the location where investigators believe the bomb was brought before it was loaded onto Flight 103, Barron's said.

The Frankfurt facility's operations, ''seriously endangered Pan Am passengers, crews and aircraft; nevertheless, the United States never informed Pan Am of its existence,'' Pan Am charged.

Friday's claim was filed one week before the second anniversary of the disaster. The two-year statute of limitations for filing legal claims also expires near the time of the anniversary, Barrons said.

The Boeing 747 jet exploded over Lockerbie on a scheduled flight from London to New York at 31,000 feet. The blast killed 259 passengers and crew aboard Flight 103 and 11 people on the ground in Lockerbie.

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ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast (DEC. 16) UPI - Soviet pressure on Angola's Marxist

government remains the key to the success of peace talks and cease-fire proposals, the Angolan rebel leader Jonas Savimbi said Saturday.

Speaking on his return from Washington after the highest level of talksbetween his Movement for the Total Independence of Angola, or UNITA, and the government, Savimbi said superpower pressure remains central to a peaceful solution to the 15-year civil war which has left 600,000 dead.

The five-hours of talks Thursday were attended by representatives of the Soviet Union, which is the government's main backer, and the United States, which is UNITA's arms supplier. Angola's former colonial master, Portugal, also participated.

While the talks led to hopes a cease-fire would be signed in the next three months, Savimbi told United Press International Saturday that only Soviet pressure would force the Angolan government to move more quickly towards accepting democratic elections.

''The Soviet foreign minister, Eduard Shevardnadze agreed with us that the (government's) demand for elections to be planned within the next three years was wrong, as a cease-fire might not last that long,'' he said.

There is only one official party in Angola, the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola-Workers - known as MPLA - of President Eduardo Dos Santos.

Savimbi said the only way to ensure a succesful transition to democracy was to create unity, through the creation of a national army, in a short period of time to prevent the unity from being fractured before the holding of elections:

''We want the creation of a unique national army over the nine-month period during which the elections will be planned,'' he said. ''This would prevent people from going back to their old sides.

''There's no three years for them. I don't think they will do it, and the Soviet Union will pressure them.''

He said the success of the Washington talks was the result of an agreement by the Soviet Union and the United States to end arms supplies to the two sides if a cease-fire was signed:

''For the first time in the peace process, we made substantial progress because of United States' and Soviet involvement in the discussions,'' Savimbi said. ''The Portugese, who have hosted the first five rounds of talks, have no leverage ...''

The government did not sign a cease-fire agreement at the Washington talks, its representative at the talks giving his excuse that he did not have the authority to sign. However, Savimbi said Saturday that the talks had brought

them very close to a cease-fire, which he expects to be signed by March 1991. But he repeated his demand that UNITA would only accept a cease-fire when Angola's opposition political parties were allowed to operate freely:

''The cease-fire will only be signed when the (government) gives the precise date of elections,'' he said, adding: ''This is the last chance we have of holding free and fair elections ...''

But he was pessimistic about the outcome of the MPLA's party congress held earlier this month. Though he accepted it had laid the groundwork for a multi-party system, he said the internal divisions among party leaders were threatening to hinder Dos Santos's reform program.

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(DEC. 16) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

(All Times EST)

(Listing won, lost, tied, percent, points for, points against, records within division, winning or losing streaks)

American Conference

East

y-Buffalo	12	2	0	.857	390	220	6-1	W-3
Miami	10	3	0	.769	275	184	6-0	W-1
Indianapolis	5	8	0	.385	200	281	2-4	L-2
New York Jets	4	9	0	.308	216	295	1-5	L-4
New England	1	13	0	.071	164	391	1-6	L-12

Central

Cincinnati	7	6	0	.538	292	294	3-1	L-1
Pittsburgh	7	6	0	.538	234	200	1-3	W-1
Houston	7	6	0	.538	324	243	3-1	W-1
Cleveland	2	11	0	.154	201	396	1-3	L-8

West

Kansas City	9	4	0	.692	314	199	4-3	W-4
LA Raiders	9	4	0	.692	268	225	5-2	W-2
Seattle	7	6	0	.538	242	240	3-4	W-3
San Diego	6	7	0	.462	272	220	2-3	W-1
Denver	3	10	0	.231	277	334	2-4	L-6

East

x-New York Giants	11	3	0	.786	298	180	6-1	L-1

y-Washington	9	5	0	.643	324	252	4-4	W-3
Philadelphia	7	6	0	.538	325	275	3-3	L-2
Dallas	6	7	0	.462	193	255	1-5	W-3
Phoenix	5	8	0	.385	206	308	2-3	W-3
Central								
x-Chicago	10	3	0	.769	290	207	5-1	L-1
Minnesota	6	7	0	.462	297	252	3-4	L-1
Green Bay	6	7	0	.462	241	270	2-4	L-2
Tampa Bay	5	8	0	.385	210	311	4-2	W-1
Detroit	4	9	0	.308	301	345	1-5	L-2
West								
x-San Francisco	12	1	0	.923	297	199	3-1	W-2
New Orleans	6	7	0	.462	235	239	2-2	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	5	8	0	.385	305	346	2-1	L-1
Atlanta	3	10	0	.231	292	332	1-4	L-6

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff spot

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#90349u0762 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

FOXBORO, MA (DEC. 16) UPI - Earnest Byner ran for 149 yards and one touchdown and Washington scored twice before its offense went on the field Saturday in a 25-10 victory over the bumbling New England Patriots, clinching a wild-card playoff berth for the Redskins.

Washington, 9-5, scored on New England's first two possessions. Redskins linebacker Kurt Gouviea returned Tommy Hodson's fumble for a 39-yard score and Washington added a safety when the snap by Chris Gannon sailed over the head of punter Brian Hansen and out of the end zone.

New England, 1-13, has the NFL's worst record and extended its club- record losing streak to 12 games. The Patriots have averaged less than seven points over their last five games and have dropped 15 straight games to NFC East opponents dating back to 1978.

Byner, who gave Washington a 16-0 lead early in the second quarter with a 5-yard scoring run, carried the ball a career-high 39 times. His season total of 1,031 yards rushing is a career-high. Byner becomes the first Redskins runner in four years to reach the 1,000-yard plateau.

Hodson, New England's quarterback, played despite a fractured ring finger on his throwing hand, but he had difficulty holding onto the ball in the cold, rainy weather and fumbled it away three times.

In the second quarter, the Redskins extended their lead to 19-0 on the first of Chip Lohmiller's three field goals, a 19-yarder.

New England pulled within 19-10, on John Stephens's 4-yard run at 9:30 of the third and Jason Staurovsky's 42-yard field goal at 3:52 of the fourth.

But Washington added two late scores, on field goals of 38 and 26 yards by Lohmiller.

The win was the 100th regular-season victory for Washington coach Joe Gibbs, who has 50 losses and no ties.

Art Monk extended his pass-catching streak to 114 consecutive games, fifth-longest in NFL history, with a second-quarter reception.

The Redskins defense recorded five sacks and limited the Patriots to 63 yards rushing on 22 carries.

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#90349u0790 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 15) UPI - A deadlock over proposed high-level talks between Iraq and the United States is intensifying. Iraq today reiterated its rejection of a U-S proposal to hold talks on the Persian Gulf crisis on January 3rd in Baghdad, saying Iraq alone sets appointments for its president.

The Iraqi announcement appears to jeopardize a planned meeting Monday between President Bush and Iraq's foreign minister. Bush has said the session is ''on hold'' until a meeting is worked out between Secretary of State Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

In another development, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak today blasted Arab states that accuse Egypt of profiting from its strong pro-U-S stand in the Gulf crisis. Mubarak told Parliament- ''Egypt was never a state that traded with stands.''

Army and federal investigators are probing the cause of the crash of a military helicopter near Cleveland, Texas, last night. The Huey chopper went down in thick brush in heavy fog while flying to port for shipment to Saudi Arabia. All three National Guard members aboard were killed.

A United Airlines jet made an unscheduled landing at the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport today after the pilot noticed smoke in the cockpit. A United spokeswoman says flight 751 with 90 people aboard was enroute to Denver and Boise from Houston. No one was hurt.

The 12-nation European Community closing its two-day meeting in Rome today launched two landmark constitutional conventions. The goals of the conventions

call for a common currency, an E-C defense role and a ''single voice'' in foreign policy.

The E-C also lifted a four-year-old ban on new investments in South Africa to reward the ''significant'' reforms made by President Frederik de Klerk. But it kept intact other sanctions, including an arms ban, pending further steps to dismantle apartheid.

In South Africa, the E-C decision drew mixed reaction. The Pretoria government the liberal opposition and business welcomed the move. But black anti-apartheid groups condemned the decision as ''unfortunate'' and ''disgusting.''

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#90349u0805 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

ABOARD THE USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (DEC. 15) UPI - A U.S. Navy cruiser on patrol in the Red Sea intercepted two Cypriot ships loaded with cars believed to have been stolen from Kuwait by Iraqi invaders, military officials said Saturday.

Navy and Coast Guard officers boarded the Tilia and the Dongola after they had left the Jordanian port of Aqaba and ordered the two ships to return, according to an announcement made to sailors aboard the aircraft carrier U.S.S. John F. Kennedy.

Officials in the Navy's central command station in Bahrain would not immediately confirm details of the operation.

The on-board announcement said the two ships were registered in Cyprus and were loaded with cars that officers believed were taken from Kuwait after Iraq invaded its southern neighbor Aug. 2.

The United States and its allies have boarded more than 500 ships in the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf to make sure that the vessels are not violating an international embargo aimed at forcing Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

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#90349u0863 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 15) UPI - Iraq today rejected a U-S proposal that Secretary of State Baker meet with President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad January 3rd. The Iraqi news agency INA quoted a foreign ministry official as saying that Iraq alone sets appointments for its president. Spokesmen for President Bush, who is spending the weekend at the Camp David, Maryland, presidential retreat, had NO immediate comment on Iraq's latest rejection. But the move apparently jeopardizes a planned meeting Monday between Bush and the Iraqi foreign minister, which Bush said was ''on hold'' until the Baker meeting was worked out.

Middle East expert Herbert Bodman of the University of North Carolina says he's NOT surprised Saddam has rejected the January 3rd date. Bodman says Saddam's main interest is holding on to Kuwait as long as he can... and the Iraqi leader will grab any chance he sees to manipulate the situation. Bodman says he doubts the two sides will be able to agree on dates... noting Bush apparently proposed the talks ''for political reasons.''

The 12-nation European Community sent a signal of support today to South African President Frederik de Klerk for his racial reforms. The E- C abolished a four-year-old ban on new investments in South Africa. New British Prime Minister John Major says there was widespread acknowledgement among community members that South Africa had made ''very positive moves'' to abolish apartheid.

Doctors have disconnected life support systems from Nancy Cruzan, the 33-year-old woman who who has lingered in a vegetative state for nearly eight years following a car accident. A county probate judge in Mount Vernon, Missouri, yesterday issued a court order for Cruzan's feeding tubes to be removed, ending a right-to-die case that reached the Supreme Court. Officials at the Missouri Rehabilitation Center, where Cruzan has been treated, says the brain-dead woman is expected to die within two weeks.

Racial bombing suspect Walter Moody faces up to 69 years in prison for his latest conviction linked to a 1972 bomb possession case. A federal jury in Brunswick, Georgia, convicted Moody yesterday on 13 counts of bribery, obstruction of justice and witness tampering in an attempt to have his 1972 federal bomb possession conviction overturned. Moody is also a suspect in the 1989 bombing deaths of a federal judge in Alabama and a Georgia civil rights lawyer.

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PUNTARENAS, Costa Rica (DEC. 15) UPI - Costa Rican President Rafael Calderon opened a Central American summit Saturday, praising President Bush's free-trade ambitions as a potential bedrock for increased regional trade and cooperation.

Joining Calderon for the ninth regional summit were presidents Alfredo Cristiani of El Salvador, Vinicio Cerezo of Guatemala, Rafael Callejas of Honduras and Violeta Chamorro of Nicaragua.

Panamanian President Guillermo Endara is attending the two-day meeting as an observer.

Most of the leaders traveled to the Costa Rican capital of San Jose before boarding Soviet-made helicopters, on loan from Nicaragua, for the trip to the

Pacific Coast port city of Puntarenas about 70 miles west of the capital.

After Calderon's opening address, the six presidents met for the first round of talks, which were expected to focus on regional violence, the environment and Central American integration into an economic bloc with the United States and Mexico.

''There are great expectations in Central America about the results of this meeting,'' Costa Rican Foreign Minister Bernard Niehaus said at the outset of the summit. ''But there will be no miracles.''

In opening remarks, Calderon said Bush's initiative for the Americas, which calls for establishing a free-trade zone in the Western Hemisphere, ''sets a foundation for a new era of cooperation and free trade in the Americas.''

The summit agenda was set Thursday and Friday by foreign and finance ministers from the countries.

High on the list of topics was the decade-old civil war in El Salvador and demilitarization of a region that has been plagued with violence for decades.

''Peace isn't just the absence of war, guerrillas or military conflict, but the development of justice and liberty,'' Calderon said.

Rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, have intensified attacks against the Salvadoran military since Nov. 20 to force the government to restructure the country's armed forces.

Rebels say negotiations have failed to achieve the military reforms.

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#90349u0939 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 15) UPI - Iraq today threw another stone in efforts to arrange high-level talks between the United States and Iraq on the Persian Gulf crisis. Baghdad canceled a meeting between Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and President Bush Monday in Washington. Iraq also rejected a U-S proposal for a January 3rd meeting between Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Secretary of State Baker in Baghdad.

Reacting to the news, the White House said it proves Iraq is NOT serious about the proposed talks. Spokesman John Herrick said from Camp David, Maryland, where Bush is spending the weekend- ''Today's public announcement is just a reaffirmation of the Iraqi unwillingness to deal seriously with the issue.''

European Community leaders today called for the completion of stalled world trade talks. But the 12-nation E-C blamed the United States as largely responsible for disarray in the talks, which collapsed in a bitter dispute

between Washington and the E-C over farm subsidies. An E- C official said today- ''The U-S has asked for two much too soon.''

Doctors have removed life support systems from a 33-year-old woman left brain dead since a 1983 automobile accident. Doctors predict Nancy Cruzan will die within two weeks. Cruzan's feeding tube was disconnected one day after a county probate judge issued the order that ended the right-to-die case which reached the Supreme Court in June.

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#90349u0953 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 15) UPI - The New York Mets re-acquired outfielder Hubie Brooks in a trade Saturday, sending veteran left-hander Bob Ojeda and pitching prospect Greg Hansell to the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Brooks, 34, hit .266 for Los Angeles last year with 20 homers and 91 RBI. Hewas drafted by the Mets in 1978 and played with the team through 1984, when he was traded to the Montreal Expos in the blockbuster deal that brought Gary Carter to New York.

Brooks hit in a club record 24 straight games with New York in 84. He signed with the Dodgers as a free agent last December.

Ojeda, who turns 33 Monday, was 7-6 with 3.66 ERA with the Mets last season, splitting time between the starting rotation and the bullpen. He was born in Los Angeles.

''I wanted to get traded, and on the other hand, I didn't,'' said Ojeda. ''I just didn't want to go through another year like last year. If you have to go, what better place than to go back to my home. I'll treasure my five years with the Mets, they were the quickest five years of my life.''

Hansell went 9-14 with a 3.35 ERA in 27 games with New York's farm club in Winter Haven/St. Lucie. The Mets acquired him last year in the deal that brought Mike Marshall to New York, the club said.

New York now has Vince Coleman, Kevin McReynolds and Brooks in the outfield.

''Right now I don't want to get into our outfield alignment,'' said New York Manager Bud Harrelson. ''Let's just say I'm thrilled to have a class act like Hubie back with us. He'll add a lot to our team on and off the field.''

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#90349u0960 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 16) UPI - Iraq said Saturday it was calling off a meeting between Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and President Bush tentatively set for Monday in

Washington, intensifying the deadlock over efforts to arrange high-level U.S.-Iraqi peace talks.

Information Minister Latif Nassif Jassim said the Bush-Aziz meeting would not take place due to lingering disagreement over a date for a second proposed meeting between Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Secretary of State James Baker in Baghdad.

''Because of the current circumstances between Iraq and the United States, the scheduled visit by Tariq Aziz to Washington on Dec. 17 will be canceled,'' he said in an interview with the British Broadcasting Corp.

The official Iraqi news agency INA reported earlier that Iraq had rejected a proposal by Washington that Baker and Saddam meet Jan. 3, quoting a foreign ministry official as saying ''Iraq alone sets the proper appointments for its president to meet foreign officials.''

Saddam had wanted Baker to come to Baghdad Jan. 12, but Washington rejected that date as too close to the U.N.-imposed Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to withdraw its troops from Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2.

Bush had said Friday his meeting with Aziz was ''on hold'' until a date for the Baker-Saddam meeting was worked out, and a senior Iraqi official reportedly said Friday that Aziz was delaying his trip until the issue was resolved.

A spokesman for President Bush, who was spending the weekend at Camp David, Md., said Iraq's announcement Saturday canceling Aziz's trip to Washington proved Baghdad was not serious about the talks.

Bush first proposed the diplomatic exchange Nov. 30, billing it as a last chance to avert war in the Persian Gulf.

''We have communicated to the Iraqis that mutually satisfactory dates (for the high-level meetings) should be set,'' spokesman John Herrick said from the presidential retreat. ''Today's public announcement is just a reaffirmation of the Iraqi unwillingness to deal seriously with the issue.''

Jassim, for his part, said in the BBC interview that Iraq doubted Bush was serious about the meetings and only proposed them as a way to appease Congress and the international community.

In an interview published Saturday in The Washington Post, CIA chief William Webster said Saddam was expected to try to stretch out the gulf crisis. He said U.S. intelligence experts have concluded Saddam will not withdraw his troops until convinced he ''is in peril of imminent military attack.''

Middle East expert Herbert Bodman, a history professor at the University of

North Carolina in Chapel Hill, said Saturday he was not surprised Saddam had rejected the Jan. 3 date for meeting with Baker.

''After all, his main interest is holding on to Kuwait as long as he can, and any chance he sees to manipulate this situation, he'll grab,'' Bodman said.

Bodman said he doubted the two sides would agree on dates, noting Bush apparently proposed the talks ''for political reasons,'' and ''I don't think either side was sincere about this from the very beginning.''

As prospects for the peace talks diminished, U.S. Navy forces in the gulf region continued to enforce a U.N. embargo imposed against Iraq.

A Navy cruiser on patrol in the Red Sea Saturday intercepted two Cypriot ships loaded with cars believed to have been stolen from Kuwait by Iraqi invaders, and the two vessels were ordered to return to their port of origin.

Democratic congressional leaders said Saturday American taxpayers were being asked to pay for more than 70 percent of Operation Desert Shield while other countries taking part in the U.S.-led multinational military force arrayed against Iraq had put up less than 30 percent.

''The world is used to the United States being the only one, the leader, the only one capable of putting this many people on the ground and therefore the only one capable of paying for it,'' House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri said. ''And of that, they have only come up with a fraction of what they have pledged. The world has changed.''

A contingent of seven U.S. senators touring the gulf said Saturday Saddam seems more interested in shaping international opinion than holding talks with U.S. leaders.

''The way (the talks) have been treated by Hussein, he seems more directed toward manipulating the event and attempting to drive a wedge between the allies,'' Sen. Bob Graham, D-Fla.

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#90349u1029 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (DEC. 15) UPI - Former President Jimmy Carter Saturday congratulated interim President Ertha Pascal-Trouillot for bringing Haiti to the door of democratic elections that pit a populist priest against a former World Bank economist.

The streets of downtown Port-au-Prince were unusually quiet with little traffic and few pedestrians as Haitians prepared for Sunday's election, the third in four years as the impoverished Caribbean nation seeks democracy in the wake of the 29-year Duvalier dictatorship.

Two policemen patrolled the central plaza with hands resting on their guns. A ban on sale of alcohol took effect at 9 p.m. Saturday, an overnight curfew was imposed and the government announced cars would be prohibited from the streets of the capital on Sunday.

Gasoline stations also were ordered closed on election day, a move that some said was to prevent extremists from making homemade bombs and molotov cocktails.

A ban on campaigning 24 hours before the polls open at 6 a.m. Sunday kept 11 presidential candidates out of public. Some 2.7 million people are eligible to vote Sunday to elect a president, a two-chamber Congress and hundreds of local officials.

Among the leading presidential candidates is Jean-Bertrand Aristide, a fiery 37-year-old priest expelled from the Catholic Salesian order in 1988 for pursuing populist political activities. He has drawn huge support from rural voters.

Aristide's main competition is Marc Bazin, a former World Bank economist whose support comes mainly from Haiti's middle class and the far right.

On Feb. 7, the winner will succeed Pascal-Trouillot, a supreme court judge who has led the country since March.

Carter, who is among the international observers present to monitor the election, said a registration of 80 percent to 85 percent of eligible voters was higher than expected. Observers expected the turnout to be high.

But Tonton Macoutes' leader Roger Lafontaine, whose presidential bid was turned down by the country's Electoral Council, called early Saturday on his supporters to abstain from voting.

The Tonton Macoutes, a group of thugs loyal to former dictator Jean- Claude ''Baby Doc'' Duvalier, have been blamed for most of the atrocities in Haiti in the past few decades. Duvalier fled to France on a U.S. Air Force plane in February, 1986, ending nearly 30 years of dictatorship by the Duvalier family.

Pascal-Trouillot was a high-level official in Duvalier's government and is seen by many Haitians as a puppet of the former dictatorship.

Carter Saturday endorsed government preparations for this weekend's elections and said he was not worried about the possibility of violence.

''Our delegation has just congratulated President Ertha Pascal- Trouillot on her wonderful leadership in bringing this nation to the eve of what we fully expect to be a successful demonstration of freedom and democracy,'' Carter

told reporters.

Carter met with Pascal-Trouillot Saturday, hours before what observers hoped would be Haiti's first democratic election in more than 30 years.

The last two attempts at free elections during the past four years were thwarted by violence, as in November 1987, when 34 people were shot and hacked to death by gunmen in attacks on polling stations.

''I am not concerned about the possibility of violence,'' Carter said. ''I think that if there is violence it will be very minimal and localized.''

But former Texas congressman Jim Wright said he was not so certain that calm would prevail.

''I don't think the United States can say with any certainty if the election will or won't be peaceful,'' Wright said. ''I think the army and the government are doing their honest best to guarantee an election free of violence and free of intimidation.''

Aristide, whose supporters are calling him the ''people's candidate'' in this weekend's presidential election, addressed a crowd of 3,000 chanting and dancing voters Friday, predicting victory.

''I will be president at 10 a.m. Sunday, even before the vote,'' Aristide confidently told the crowd. Aristide presented a bouquet of flowers to his followers and said, ''These flowers are for all of Haiti. We all have to take the country for all.''

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#90349u1235 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 15) UPI - Charges and countercharges today in the standoff over efforts to arrange high-level talks between Iraq and the United States on the Persian Gulf crisis. An Iraqi official says he doubts President Bush is serious about the talks... and the White House says Baghdad's cancellation of a meeting in Washington Monday proves it's NOT serious.

Arab diplomatic sources say Jordan's King Hussein and Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat will meet in Amman, Jordan, today for talks on the gulf crisis. The sources say the two leaders want to help keep the proposed U-S-Iraqi talks on the crisis from collapsing.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak today vowed to defend Saudi Arabia and other Arab Persian Gulf states against any further aggression by Iraq. Speaking to the opening of Egypt's newly-elected Parliament, Mubarak blasted pro-Iraqi states for accusing Cairo of trying to profit from its pro-Kuwait stance.

An group of Arab and Western women aboard an Iraqi cargo ship are trying to deliver milk and medicine to Iraq. The ship sailed through the Suez Canal today after Egyptian authorities prevented the Iraqi ambassador to Cairo from boarding the vessel. Organizers say the women hope to reach Basra, Iraq, in three weeks.

In Haiti, the streets of downtown Port-au-Prince were unusually quiet today as Haitians prepare for tomorrow's national elections. The balloting to elect a president, a Congress and hundreds of local officials is the third in four years. The poor Caribbean nation is seeking democracy in the wake of the 29-year Duvalier dictatorship.

Authorities in Morocco say violence during a 24-hour general strike has left two people dead and nearly 200 others injured. The official Moroccan news agency MAP says a demonstrator and a police officer were killed in the central city of Fes. The government denies union reports that between 20 and 30 people died when security forces sprayed demonstrators with automatic weapon fire.

The Atlanta mansion of Saudi Arabian Prince Faisal is going on the auction block, following a ruling by a federal bankruptcy judge. Judge Hugh Robinson said the prince ''abused the bankruptcy process'' by transferring his mansion, its furnishings and a gun collection to a holding corporation to protect it from bankruptcy.

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#90349u1407 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 15) UPI - Iraq today canceled a meeting between the Iraqi foreign minister and President Bush Monday in Washington. Iraq's information minister says the meeting was being called off because of- quote- ''current circumstances'' between Iraq and the United States. The announcement followed Iraq's rejection of a U-S proposed January 3rd date for talks in Baghdad. A White House spokesman says the move proves that Iraq is NOT serious about the talks to find a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

A witness in the Keating Five influence-peddling case testified before a Senate panel again today. He said there was an ''appearance of impropriety'' in Charles Keating's one-point-three-Million-dollar contribution to five senators and their actions on behalf of the S-and-L kingpin. But James Grogan, a former close associate of Keating, repeatedly defended Keating's philosophy of funneling huge contributions to key public officials. Grogan says Keating neither demanded nor sought action in return for the contributions.

South African authorities freed another batch of political prisoners today. A Justice Ministry official says 27 were freed from the country's Alcatraz, Robben Island Prison off Cape Town. That brings to more than 90 the number freed since Pretoria struck a deal with the African National Congress to accelerate racial reform in August. The government agreed in principle then to

release an estimated 15-hundred people held for political reasons by April of 1991.

Official Phnom Pehn radio reports that resistance forces are heavily shelling western Cambodia, near the border with Thailand. The radio says the three guerrilla groups fired thousands of artillery shells on positions of the Vietnamese-backed government in Cambodia. But it says government forces launched 12 counter-attacks, killing more than 100 resistance fighters.

In London, Queen Elizabeth and the rest of the royal family reportedly were away from Buckingham Palace early today when a driver smashed his car into the palace's main gates. The collision damaged the closed gates. Police say they have NO motive or cause for the crash... and have ruled out any connection with Irish Republican Army guerrillas, who are fighting to free Northern Ireland from British control.

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#90349u1477 12/15/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 15) UPI - Seven senators touring the Persian Gulf say Saddam Hussein seems more interested in shaping world opinion than in holding talks with U-S leaders. Florida Democrat Bob Graham says Saddam seems to be trying to drive a wedge between the allies. Earlier today, Iraq said it was canceling a meeting between its foreign minister and President Bush Monday in Washington.

Illinois Democrat Paul Simon also is on the fact-finding mission in the gulf. Simon suggests rotating all but key military personnel in the Persian Gulf as one way to keep U-S troops' morale up.

Pan Am accuses U-S officials of withholding from the airline information that terrorists were plotting to plant a bomb on Flight 103. The flight exploded over Scotland two years ago, killing 270 people. The airline filed documents making the allegation in federal court in New York. Pan Am says U-S officials knew about the plot because of drug investigation.

The latest report from the Justice Department's internal watchdog contains a glimpse of the department's dirty little secrets. The report says one F-B-I official in a highly sensitive position abuses drugs and steals secret documents. The report also says a Drug Enforcement Administration employee was arrested for possessing cocaine.

Four current and former city officials in Yonkers, New York, have been ruled personally liable for more than 400-thousand-dollars in fines. The fines result from defiance of a housing desegregation order. A trial will be held for the Yonkers mayor and the three others next year to determine the exact amount they must pay.

A princess of Thailand has resigned as a special ambassador of the World

Health Organization. She resigned because a law bars people infected with AIDS from entering Thailand. The princess, a trained chemist, quit because WHO refused to support a conference on AIDS that begins Monday in Bangkok because of the law barring AIDS victims. Despite the five-year-old law, there are cases of AIDS in Thailand.

-30- 2184

#90349u1628 12/15/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 15) UPI - House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt says U-S allies in Operation Desert Shield have paid only a fraction of what they owe for the military build-up in the Persian Gulf. Coalition partners are pledged to put up 29 percent of the cost. Gephardt says the world is used to the U- S footing the bills.

Army and Federal Aviation Administration investigators are probing a helicopter crash near Cleveland, Texas. Three Missouri National Guard members were aboard the chopper when it went down in fog. The helicopter was flying to port for shipment to Saudi Arabia.

Nicaragua slashed its military budget today. Legislators in Managua cut proposed military spending by one-quarter. The Sandinista-dominated military sought 78-Million dollars for next year, but will get 19-Million less.

Central American presidents are meeting in Costa Rica. They're talking about joining an economic trading bloc with Mexico and the United States. Costa Rica's foreign minister says they have great expectations.

Two landmark constitutional conventions began in Europe today. The 12 European Community leaders gave the go-ahead for conventions with the goals of a common currency and a common defense role and foreign policy.

The European Community also abolished a four-year-old ban on new investments in South Africa. Other sanctions... including a weapons ban and a prohibition on some imports... remain in effect.

Doctors removed a feeding tube from a woman hospitalized in Mount Vernon, Missouri, today. The woman has been in a coma for nearly eight years. Doctors predict she will die within two weeks.

Former President Jimmy Carter is in Haiti. Carter is one of the international observers who will monitor tomorrow's presidential election in Haiti. A populist former priest is running against an economist.

-30- 2000

#90350c0002 12/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - BEN W SMITH OF P O BOX 686, HEMPHILL, TX 75948, HAS FILED TO SELL 232,932 SHARES OF GOLDEN QUEST INC. THROUGH RCL NORTHWEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 07, 1990.

(GOLDEN QUEST INC. TEL: 509 325-7106)

-30- 386
#90350c0003 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AIME PELATAN OF 4040 SOUTH IVANA ST, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84120, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF CHEROKEE ATLANTIC CORP. THROUGH WASATCH STOCK TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 06, 1990.

(CHEROKEE ATLANTIC CORP. TEL: 801 295-1000)

-30- 422
#90350c0004 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - QUINLAN J SULLIVAN OF 350 MYSTIC STREET, ARLINGTON, MA 02174, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,500 SHARES OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(UST CORP. TEL: 617 726-7000)

-30- 391
#90350c0005 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - Ramtek U.K., a wholly owned subsidiary of San Jose, Calif.-based Ramtek Corp., has acquired GEMS of Cambridge, a British supplier of computer hardware and software, for $770,000 cash, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on DEC. 14, 1990

-30- 512
#90350c0006 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - Singapore Telecom has acquired 14.3 percent or 1 million common shares of Executive TeleCard Ltd. of Nanuet, N.Y. Singapore Telecom, which bought the shares Nov. 6 for $5 each, will not ask for a seat on the company's board, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on DEC. 14, 1990

-30- 570

#90350c0007 12/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - Pollution Research and Control Corp. of Glendale, Calif., has raised $160,000 with a private sale of 400,000 of its common shares at 40 cents each, to Lee Sion, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing. As part of the deal, the company also granted Sion a three-year option to buy another 200,000 shares at an exercise price of 40 cents a share.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on DEC. 14, 1990

-30- 653

#90350c0008 12/16/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - Texture-Tex Inc., a maker of synthetic carpet yarn, has sold the assets of the Texture-Tex Valdosta, Ga., plant to Queen Carpet Corp. for $3.9 million.

The assets include all machinery and equipment, real estate, supplies, raw materials and finished goods, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Texture-Tex, a wholly owned subsidiary of Dalton, Ga.-based CrownAmerica Inc., will use the proceeds from the sale to renovate its Dalton, Ga., plant

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on DEC. 14, 1990

-30- 743

#90350c0010 12/16/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - LENNY M TARGON OF 4058 MARINER CIRCLE, 0, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91361, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,518 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

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#90350c0011 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK S FINKEL OF 3489 SOUTH COURT, PALO ALTO, CA 94306, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(CONSILIUM INC. TEL: 415 691-6100)

-30- 401
#90350c0012 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL J HEALEY OF 333 SCHOOL ST #213, PAWTUCKET, RI 02860, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. (TICKER: MEDC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. TEL: 214 490-3190)

-30- 423
#90350c0013 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VENROCK ASSOCIATES OF 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA, ROOM 5600, NEW YORK, NY 10112, HAS FILED TO SELL 140,000 SHARES OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(KOMAG INC. TEL: 408 946-2300)

-30- 415
#90350c0014 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L LOWE OF 400 FIRST CITY BANK TWR, 201 MAIN ST, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 135,000 SHARES OF WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: WEXC) THROUGH DILLON READ & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. TEL: 817 335-4701)

-30- 455
#90350c0015 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAFI U QURESHEY OF 16215 ALTON PKWY, IRVINE, CA 92713, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF AST RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: ASTA) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(AST RESEARCH INC. TEL: 714 727-4141)

-30- 412
#90350c0016 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DUDLEY J HUGHES OF 4050 CRANE BLVD, JACKSON, MS 39216, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF FIRST WORLD CHEESE INC. (TICKER: FWCH) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(FIRST WORLD CHEESE INC. TEL: 201 378-8600)

-30- 430
#90350c0018 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DINO NATALI OF 949 LARRABEE ST, W HOLLYWOOD, CA 90069, HAS FILED TO SELL 303,334 SHARES OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE) THROUGH SCHNEIDER SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. TEL: 415 589-8088)

-30- 452
#90350c0019 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LINDA A ARMANINO OF 55 STONEPINE RD, HILLSBOROUGH, CA 94010, HAS FILED TO SELL 500,000 SHARES OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE) THROUGH SCHNEIDER SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. TEL: 418 589-8088)

-30- 463
#90350c0020 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD A TABER OF 1019 ROLANDVUE RD, RUXTON, MD 21204, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF PRICE (T.ROWE) ASSOC INC. (TICKER: TROW) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(PRICE (T.ROWE) ASSOC INC. TEL: 301 547-2199)

-30- 429
#90350c0021 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MATTHEW G TEZAK OF 1550 S REDWOOD RD, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84104, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. (TICKER: SFD) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. TEL: 801 974-1400)

-30- 450
#90350c0022 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN W PROSSER JR OF 3323 CASTERA AVE, GLENDALE, CA 91208, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEC) THROUGH JEFFERIES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP INC. TEL: 818 449-2171)

-30- 442
#90350c0023 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LARRY A MIZEL OF 3600 SOUTH YOSEMITE ST #900, DENVER, CO 80237, HAS FILED TO SELL 78,600 SHARES OF ASSET INVESTORS CORP. (TICKER: AIC) THROUGH MURPHEY MARSEILLES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(ASSET INVESTORS CORP. TEL: 303 793-2703)

-30- 426
#90350c0024 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLAN W LUND OF 9055 EVERGREEN BLVD, 0, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55430, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. (TICKER: CESH) THROUGH MARCHE SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. TEL: 515 224-1995)

-30- 432
#90350c0026 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRIDGE CAPITAL CORP OF 1500 EAST TROPICANA AVE, SUITE 110, LAS VEGAS, NV 89119, HAS FILED TO SELL 78,677 SHARES OF NATIONAL HERITAGE INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: NHER) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(NATIONAL HERITAGE INDUSTRIES INC TEL: 702 382-1200)

-30- 473
#90350c0027 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W KEITH TROWBRIDGE OF 86 BROOK VALLEY RD, TOWARO, NJ 07082, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF T2 MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: TSQM) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(T2 MEDICAL INC. TEL: 404 594-0475)

-30- 413
#90350c0028 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRENDAN J CASSIN OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 943-1234)

-30- 446
#90350c0029 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EUGENE F BARTH OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG #3, SUITE 255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,937 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7114)

-30- 412
#90350c0030 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E CRAVES OF 13023 167TH AVE N.E., REDMOND, WA 98052, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,676 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 430
#90350c0031 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANZ E LAZARUS OF 74 ALBION RD, WELLESLEY HILLS, MA 02181, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 429
#90350c0032 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES H STEWART OF 2419 REDROCK CANYON, 0, EL PASO, TX 79930, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CRACKER BARREL OLD COUNTRY STORE (TICKER: CBRL) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(CRACKER BARREL OLD COUNTRY STORE TEL: 615 444-5533)

-30- 468
#90350c0034 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAUREL CUTLER OF FCB/LEBER KATZ PARTNERS INC, 767 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10153, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,505 SHARES OF FOOTE CONE & BELDING COMMUNICATI (TICKER: FCB) THROUGH SALOMON BROS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(FOOTE CONE & BELDING COMMUNICATI TEL: 312 751-7000)

-30- 473
#90350c0035 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MCCOURTNEY TRACY W TRUST OF 20525 MARIANI AVE, CUPERTINO, CA 95014, HAS

FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(APPLE COMPUTER INC. TEL: 408 996-1010)

-30- 439
#90350c0036 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DIKER PATRICIA 1987 TRUST OF 5760 WEST 96TH ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90045, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF NEUTROGENA CORP. (TICKER: NGNA) THROUGH WEISS PECK & GREER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(NEUTROGENA CORP. TEL: 213 642-1150)

-30- 432
#90350c0037 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DIKER CHARLES TTEE OF 5760 WEST 96TH ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90045, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF NEUTROGENA CORP. (TICKER: NGNA) THROUGH WEISS PECK & GREER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(NEUTROGENA CORP. TEL: 213 642-1150)

-30- 418
#90350c0038 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUCE DIKER 1987 TR OF 5760 WEST 96TH ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90045, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF NEUTROGENA CORP. (TICKER: NGNA) THROUGH WEISS PECK & GREER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(NEUTROGENA CORP. TEL: 213 642-1150)

-30- 420
#90350c0039 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID G MUGAR OF 3 NEW ENGLAND EXECUTIVE PK, BURLINGTON, MA 01803, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,644 SHARES OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(DYNATECH CORP. TEL: 617 272-6100)

-30- 402
#90350c0040 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VENCAP INTERNATIONAL INC OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,133 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 419
#90350c0042 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD J SHUSTEK OF P O BOX 7108, STANFORD, CA 94309, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(NETWORK GENERAL CORP. TEL: 415 688-2700)

-30- 419
#90350c0043 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN KURTIN OF 3835 KINGSWOOD RD, SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91403, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH FIDELITY BRKG SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 413
#90350c0044 12/16/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLERK FRANKLYN & EVELYN TTEES OF 2975 REDHILL AVE, COSTA MESA, CA 92626, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,988 SHARES OF PDA ENGINEERING (TICKER: PDAS) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(PDA ENGINEERING TEL: 714 540-8900)

-30- 436
#90350d3350 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PORT-AU-PRINCE (DEC. 16) - Voting began under tight security Sunday in Haiti's first free presidential and parliamentary elections since the ouster of dictator Jean-Claude Duvalier in February 1986.

Turnout was relatively high and queues had formed before polling stations opened at 06:00 am. Many people said they feared violence and prefered to vote early.

The election is for a president, 27 senators, 83 national assembly deputies, 402 mayors and rural officials. Some 800 international observers, including former U.S. president Jimmy Carter are to supervise the elections.

The candidate expected to win the presidential poll is populist priest Father Aristide, 37 known as the "hero of the shanty-towns" and an exponent of "liberation theology". His main rival is centrist Marc Bazin, 58.

Polling centres have been set up in all kinds of buildings including schools, universities, post offices, night clubs and lottery centres. The vote closes at 06:00 pm.

About 6,000 soldiers have been deployed to deter violence amid fears of a repetition of the bloodshed which marred the last abortive elections in November 1987. On that occasion, Duvalier supporters attacked polling centres shooting and hacking 34 voters to death.

-30- 1441

#90350d3390 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (DEC. 16) - Palestinian guerrillas clashed Sunday with an Israeli force in a frontier region in southern Lebanon, security sources said here. Unconfirmed reports from Israel said three guerrillas were killed in the shoot-out.

A squad of Palestinian fighters from the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (Dflp) attacked an Israeli military patrol near Sarid in the western sector of the security zone, wounding two Israeli soldiers, the sources said.

A dflp spokeman told the German Press Agency dpa by telephone that ''our force intended to attack the (Israeli) settlement of Sarid''.

He added: ''The enemy sent reinforcements of troops and arms to battle ground and we don't have immediate information about the whereabouts of our fighters.''

Radio reports, monitored in Beirut, quoted unofficial Israeli reports as saying that there was a 25-minute firefight during which three guerrillas were killed while trying to sneak into Israel.

After Israel withdrew the bulk of its troops from Lebanon in 1985, it established the security zone to prevent cross-border attacks. The buffer zone is patrolled by Israeli troops and their surrogates, the South Lebanon Army.

-30- 1395

#90350d3530 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (DEC. 16) - Iranian newspapers on Sunday blasted what they called Moscow's change of policy on the Gulf and accused Soviet officials of seeking to redraw the map of the region at the expense of Iraq.

The condemnation came a day after a last-minute announcement that a planned visit to Moscow by Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati, due to start Saturday, was being postponed.

Iranian newspapers maintained that Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze had said Friday in Ankara that Iraq's territorial integrity was not absolutely guaranteed.

Jomhouri Islami daily, considered close to Moslem religious hardliners, strongly criticized what it called the change of Soviet policy and said it was a concession to the West.

"Moscow is seeking a solution to its own political and social problems and hopes to obtain in return long-term credits from NATO," it said, accusing what it called the "oppression front" of aiming to "swallow the wealth of the Moslem world".

"It's true the regime in Baghdad has committed a serious mistake by occupying Kuwait," it said. "But we can't punish this aggression by carving up Iraq, since we would be punishing the Iraqi people unfairly."

It said the statements attributed to Mr. Shevardnadze amounted to "a green light" for a an attack on the northern Iraqi oil fields of Kirkuk in the Kurdistan region.

"Any geographic change in the region will be to the detriment of the Moslem world," Jomhouri Islamic insisted. "We must prevent the division of Iraq, just like that of Kuwait."

Another newspaper Abrar, said Mr. Shevardnadze's statements in Turkey "contradicted earlier declarations by Soviet leaders" and were a reflection of the amount of pressure being exerted on Moscow by the West.

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#90350d3650 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 16) - At least 100 people were killed in two days of rioting in the Moroccan town of Fez, according to a Moroccan doctor quoted Sunday by the BBC.

The doctor, whose name was not given, said the real toll of the clashes Friday and Saturday "ought to be 100 dead and 200 injured" rather than the toll given by the authorities of five dead and 127 injured.

He said his tally was based on a count of bodies at mortuaries and hospitals in the northern Moroccan town.

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#90350d3720 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DOHA (DEC. 16) - Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati left here Sunday afternoon after a brief stopover and talks with officials on the unfolding Gulf crisis, correspondents said.

He held talks with Qatar's ruler, Sheikh Khalifa bin Hamad al-Thani, and delivered a message from President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani on the situation in the Gulf following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, the official Qatar News Agency said.

It said the message focused "on means of ensuring peace and security in the Gulf and of avoiding a repetition of the (Iraqi) aggression through mutual understanding between the region's countries."

Mr. Velayati arrived in the Qatari capital on a previously unannounced visit a week ahead of a Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) summit here on the Gulf crisis.

The summit of the GCC -- which groups Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates -- will open in Doha on Saturday.

In another development, Sheikh Khalifa met with Oman's minister of state for foreign affairs, Youssef ben Alawi, on action being taken by the GCC over the crisis, the news agency reported.

The two men also discussed means of expanding cooperation between the GCC's six members, the agency said.

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#90350d3770 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (DEC. 16) - Sixty-five convicts were still at large on Sunday following the biggest prison breakout in the history of the Greek republic, police said.

Eighty-one prisoners escaped overnight from Korydallos penitentiary in the

port city of Piraeus, adjacent to Athens.

The breakout began when three guards, who were preparing to lock the prisoners in their cells for the night, were accosted by a group of convicts armed with a knife.

The prisoners overpowered the guards, locked them in a cell and fled through the prison's kitchen.

Eight convicts were captured by police near the prison, two of them after being injured by police gunfire, and eight others were arrested early Sunday.

Several prisoners escaped from Korydallos in October and November during prison protests to demand better living conditions.

The protests ended in mid-November after authorities announced prison reform. A draft law is due to be put forward this week.

Korydallos is the largest penitentiary in the country, with a capacity of 1,245 prisoners.

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#90350d3800 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 16) - African National Congress (Anc) leaders were given authority here Sunday to continue negotiations with South Africa's white-minority government, but told to check back all major decisions with the organisation's rank and file.

Winding up a three-day consultative congress in the Nasrec exhibition centre here, the 1,600 delegates threatened to break off the negotiations if Pretoria did not release all political prisoners by April 30 and abolish emergency-powers laws.

Earlier the conference had demanded international sanctions against South Africa remain in place, although Anc president Oliver Tambo had earlier called for that policy to be reviewed.

Thabo Mbeki, foreign policy spokesman for the Anc, said the anti-apartheid organisation's position was ''unchanged''.

The European Community decided Saturday at a summit in Rome to immediately lift a ban on business investment in South Africa and to lift sporting and other economic sanctions as soon as apartheid laws were abolished and political prisoners freed.

White South African newspapers welcomed the decision Sunday. The biggest-circulation paper Sunday Times called the decision ''the biggest

accolade yet'' for South African President Frederik de Klerk.

-30- 1455
#90350d3870 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIRUT (DEC. 16) - Algerian President Chadli Bendjedid arrived here unexpectedly Sunday and met his Lebanese counterpart, Elias Hrawi.

Mr. Chadli, the first foreign head of state to visit Lebanon since 1983, arrived from Damascus, where he met President Hafez al-Assad to discuss the situation in the Gulf.

The Algerian leader was met at the Syrian-Lebanese border by Lebanese Prime Minister Selim al-Hoss and travelled overland under heavy security to Beirut. The Beirut-Damascus highway was closed to all other traffic.

Mr. Chadli joined King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and King Hassan II of Morocco last year in drafting an Arab League plan to end Lebanon's lingering internal strife.

The accord, approved by the Lebanese parliament in Taif, Saudi Arabia in October 1989, allowed for the election of President Hrawi in November of that year and granted greater political power to the country's Moslem community.

Before Lebanon, Mr. Chadli had visited Jordan, Iraq, Iran, Oman and Syria.

-30- 1188
#90350d4190 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RIYADH (DEC. 16) - Philippine Finance Minister Jesus Estanislao met here Sunday with Saudi Crown Prince Abdallah bin Abdel Aziz to discuss the damage done to the Philippines economy by the Gulf crisis.

Official sources here said Mr. Estanislao, who arrived Saturday, also met with Saudi Finance Minister Mohammad Abal-Khail.

Mr. Estanislao said his country was in "urgent need" of an estimated one billion dollars to overcome losses sustained by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait August 2, which deprived hundreds of thousands of Filipino workers of their jobs in the Gulf.

Surging oil prices and the loss of remittances from the Gulf in the aftermath of the crisis have left the Philippines with a balance of payments deficit of around 2.5 billion dollars, according to the minister.

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#90350d4290 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 16) - The Somali Government -- fighting three rebel armies -- called on the opposition Sunday to negotiate to avoid a "bloodbath," Radio Mogadishu said in a broadcast monitored here.

"The opposition should view peace negotiations as a way of averting a bloodbath in the country," the state-run Somali radio said, quoting the Information Ministry.

"The government is repeating its call to the opposition inside and outside the country, especially those involved in fighting, to take part in negotiations," it said.

Opposition movements refused to take part in round-table talks with the government that were scheduled for December 12 in Cairo after several of their leaders were arrested.

The Information Ministry denied what it called foreign press reports that rebel troops were 50 kilometers (30 miles) from the capital.

An Agence France-Presse reporter was, however, with rebel troops of the Congress of Unified Somalia in early December that distance from Magadishu and also reported that armed rebel troops were in the capital itself.

(More than 50 foreigners were evacuated from Mogadishu to Nairobi last week, diplomats in the Kenyan capital said.)

The ministry acknowledged that clashes were taking part in some parts of the country, and that "armed bandits" were operating -- a term it uses to describe members of the rebel movements controlling parts of northern, central and southern Somalia.

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#90350d4300 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (DEC. 16) - The United Arab Emirates is to send emergency food aid to the Soviet Union, the official WAM news agency reported here Sunday.

It said the decision by head of state Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahayan was aimed at "alleviating the suffering our friends the Soviet people are undergoing because of food shortages."

The agency did not say how much assistance would be sent.

Sheikh Zayed hailed "Moscow's honorable position on several issues," notably its rejection of the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait and its "total support" for an unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from the emirate and the restoration of legitimate Kuwaiti government.

-30- 836
#90350d4470 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUCHAREST (DEC. 16) - Tens of thousands of Romanians demonstrated peacefully Sunday to mark the first anniversary of the violent revolution which toppled the communist regime of the late Nicolae Ceausescu.

Demonstrators in Bucharest and other cities protested against the policies of President Ion Iliescu and charged he was too slow in implementing political and economic reforms.

Opposition groups complain that former communists are members of Iliescu's ruling National Salvation Front.

The largest march was reported from Timisoara, about 400 kilometres east of the capital, where the revolution was ignited on December 16 last year.

Tens of thousands of marchers there shouted slogans such as ''down with Iliescu'' and ''down with communism''.

Several thousand people demonstrated in Bucharest and chanted slogans against rising prices and the slow pace of reforms.

They marched to the Soviet embassy and demanded ''reunification'' with former Romanian territories now part of the Soviet Union. Police were deployed to prevent riots.

-30- 1247
#90350d4560 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (DEC. 16) - Iraq Sunday called on Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak to reconsider his pro-U.S. policy on the Gulf crisis.

Taha Yassin Ramadan, Iraq's first deputy premier, accused Mubarak of toeing the U.S. policy line and repeating Washington's argument on the Gulf crisis since this crisis broke out on August 2, when Iraqi troops invaded neighbouring Kuwait.

Ramadan was replying to Mubarak's speech Saturday at the newly-elected People's Assembly (Parliament) in which he warned Iraq against ''untold horrors'' in the Gulf region if war was necessary to drive Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

''We tell the president of the Egyptian regime that it is the Arab will, rather than America's will, which will emerge victorious. The Arab nation has the power and solid will to confront the U.S.-Zionist design,'' Ramadan said in a statement to the Iraqi News Agency (Ina).

Ramadan, a member of the Iraqi Revolutionary Command Council, the country's highest policy-making authority, urged Mubarak to reconsider his stance on the Gulf crisis, saying that this stance was ''subservient'' to America.

He called on Mubarak to take a stand reflecting ''the genuine attitude of the Egyptian people who have always been at the vanguard of the struggle against colonialist and Zionist designs.''

Egypt has sent about 30,000 troops to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates (Uae) to join the U.S.-led 300,000-strong multinational force deployed in the Gulf to deter a new Iraqi assault.

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#90350d5110 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (DEC. 16) - A group of newly arrived U.S. Marines expressed fears here of poison gas and said they did not fully understand their mission in Saudi Arabia -- but stressed they were ready to fight anyway.

Standing outside a port warehouse, which was serving as a makeshift dormitory, five Marines who arrived this past week from Camp Lejeune, Georgia said they worried most about "gas."

"It's scares me. You don't know what (Iraqi President Saddam) Hussein might do " said Lance Corporal Robert Reid from New York.

He said he was not sure how effective his gas mask -- carried in a canvas bag strapped to his waist -- would be.

Corporal Reid was among a group of Marines who arrived several days early to help unload thousands of tanks, armored vehicles and artillery from ships at a Saudi port.

As many as ten planeloads of fellow Marines were due to arrive here Monday, the first of some 200,000 reinforcements ordered to the Gulf last month by U.S. President George Bush.

The order to deploy additional ground troops was seen as giving an offensive capability to the multinational forces opposing Iraq's occupation of Kuwait.

Marines -- one of the U.S. military's four branches along with the army, navy and airforce -- would be expected to be in the thick of the heaviest fighting and take the heaviest losses.

Lance Corporal Adam Cleveland said he had learned from his training -- which included decontamination exercises -- that poison gas "is a horrible way to die."

"If you're hit with it, it's a slow death," he added. "Nobody wants to die, but it's better if you go quickly."

While members of the group warned that Saddam Hussein would be making a mistake if he unleashed a chemical attack, they were not quite sure how they would respond or how well they would be able to fight in their protective gear. Some seemed to imply that the United States could resort to nuclear weapons, but others said such a response would threaten the lives of allied troops, harm innocent civilians and anger the Arab world.

There was likewise some apparent uncertainty over their mission here.

"It's a politicians' war," noted Lance Corporal Chad Whitworth of Georgia, his gun strapped over his shoulder.

But Lance Corporal Michael Brook of Florida declared: "I don't believe we're fighting for oil. I think we're fighting because he (Saddam Hussein) invaded another country."

The group maintained they were less well-treated than the other branches of the U.S. military.

"The Marine Corps is considered the toughest, so they do without the most," Corporal Cleveland argued.

They also complained about having to work with female soldiers, saying their small numbers created rivalry and jealousy and that they did not pull as much weight as male troops.

They said there was a lack of privacy, as the women shared the same bathroom and shower facilities and slept under the same roof.

But one female Marine, Linda Junejack, insisted that most women did do their fair share of work and that relations between the sexes were good, despite some difficulties.

Most members of the advance team seemed to accept their lot.

"The best way to keep our morale up is to have people back home support us," one Marine pointed out. "We don't want another Vietnam, where we come back home and people hate us."

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#90350d5130 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TIMISOARA, Romania (DEC. 16) - Timisoara, where the uprising that toppled Romanian dictator Nicolae Ceausescu began, marked the revolt's first anniversary Sunday with an anti-government demonstration that drew 10,000

people.

Meanwhile, some 30,000 university students seeking the resignation of President Ion Iliescu continued a week-long strike backed by workers at the city's largest factories.

About 10,000 people, mainly students and workers, crowded into Opera Square here and chanted slogans for several hours calling on the president to step down.

Hundreds of people gathered earlier outside the Protestant church of Laslo Tokes, the ethnic Hungarian priest at the centre of a revolt that began exactly a year ago and spread nationwide, toppling the Ceausescu regime on December 22.

Waving flags with the national emblem cut out -- souvenirs of December 1989 -- columns of demonstrators marched through Timisoara to sites where troops last year shot and killed 147 anti-Ceausescu demonstators, by official count.

They kneeled and observed a minute of silence as security forces looked on.

Demonstrators also carried a red flag emblazoned with the Albanian eagle that read: "Albanian students, we're with you" -- a reference to violent anti-communist demonstrations last week in Eastern Europe's last hardline Stalinist state.

"This is the year of lies, we've just lived through, nothing has changed since the revolution," a medical student, Gheorghe Radu, told a reporter. He said most students felt the same way at Timisoara University, where some 30,000 have been on strike for a week.

Workers backing their demand for the government to resign have also gone on strike in the city's largest factories.

Since the fall of Ceausescu, enthusiasm has given way to disappointment as an economic crisis bites, along with acute social problems.

-30- 2090

#90350d5300 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (DEC. 16) - The United States is preparing investment and aid policy for South Africa, U.S. ambassador William Swing told 63 black businessmen here Sunday, state-run television reported.

Mr. Swing told the businessmen, just back from the United States, that the U.S. embassy here was putting together a post-sanctions approach to help South Africa's flagging economy.

But he warned that no significant investment would return unless there was an end to the country's worst ever political violence, which has claimed more than 1,000 black lives around Johannesburg since August alone.

He said several U.S. entrepreneurs were to visit South Africa next year, kicking off with a party from New York and New Jersey set to visit in April.

His remarks came the day after the 12-nation European Community voted in Rome to lift a four-year-old voluntary investment ban and promised to rescind bans on imports of iron, steel and gold coins if the South African parliament next year repealed two key apartheid laws as promised.

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#90350d5340 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VIENNA (DEC. 16) - Austria's socialist chancellor Franz Vranitsky and conservative party chief Josef Riegler agreed here Sunday on a justice minister, the last obstacle to the two ruling parties forming a new coalition government.

The minister would be Nikolaus Michalek, currently president of the chamber of Austrian notaries.

The coalition, following on general elections in October, was threatened Friday when the conservatives rejected socialist candidate Otto Oberhammer as justice minister.

The conservatives said Mr. Oberhammer was close to businessman Udo Proksch,

a former protege of socialist leaders, who is on trial for murder and insurance fraud. The "cargo Lucona" case in which Mr. Proksch is implicated is one of the biggest scandals in Austria since Second World War.

Mr. Oberhammer stepped down as a candidate for the ministry but demanded the parties issue a statement that he was not implicated in the Proksch affair.

The new government of Mr. Vranitsky, the outgoing chancellor of the previous administration, will be officially announced Monday.

Observers said the mini-crisis over the new coalition was a bad omen for the new government and its completing its four-year term.

In general elections in October, the socialists won 80 of 183 seats in parliament while the conservatives took 60 seats.

The two other parties are the liberals of Joerg Haider with 33 seats and the ecologists with 10 seats.

The new coalition will seek to reform the electoral system as well as the deficit-ridden state medical insurance and to privatize state firms, mainly in the banking industry.

In foreign affairs, the new government will aim to get Austria into the European Community (EC).

-30- 1916

#90350d5380 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (DEC. 16) - A bomb exploded at the European Community offices here late Sunday, slightly injuring several people, eye-witnesses said.

Police and firemen immediately surrounded the EC offices, located in an affluent neighborhood of Athens, after the bomb explosion around 9:30 p.m. (1930 GMT).

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#90350d5530 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PONTEVEDRA, Spain (DEC. 16) - Eight wardens were taken hostage during a revolt by some 250 prisoners at a penitentiary here Sunday, local officials said.

They said that most of the prisoners in the facility in this north-western city had taken part in the rebellion.

The officials said they did not yet know what sparked the revolt.

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#90350d5550 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DUBLIN (DEC. 16) - Irish Prime Minister Charles Haughey said Sunday that he hoped to hold a "substantive" meeting with Britain's new prime minister, John Major, early next year.

"I am certain he will show a very keen interest in Anglo-Irish affairs and Northern Ireland," Mr. Haughey said in an interview with an Irish radio station following his return from the European Community summit in Rome.

"I like all I see about him," Mr. Haughey said of Mr. Major, whom he met briefly in the Italian capital.

Mr. Haughey said that Mr. Major, who replaced Margaret Thatcher last month, "is very capable and has a very good grasp of political matters."

The Irish prime minister did not say when or where the two would hold talks but said he hoped for a "substantive New Year meeting."

-30- 986
#90350d5680 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BUDAPEST (DEC. 16) - Hungarian Prime Minister Jozsef Antall was reelected head of the troubled center-right Democratic Forum (MDF) here Sunday despite strong criticism of his conservative government at a party congress.

Mr. Antall, 58, sole candidate for the chairmanship, won 908 of the 948 votes cast.

Accepting a new term, Mr. Antall, who is undergoing chemotherapy treatment for cancer and was visibly weak, called on the party to unite. He warned that "1991 will be a difficult year."

One of his close advisers, former interior minister Balasz Horvath, was elected to the party presidium and given the task of reorganizing the MDF and bringing it more into line with the prime minister's policies.

The party swept Hungary's first free elections last spring but suffered a crushing defeat in local elections in October. Its standing has sunk in the public eye at a time when the country is going through serious economic difficulties.

Some MDF militants blamed the government for introducing economic reforms too slowly. Mr. Antall was also criticised for appointing Mihaly Kupa as finance minister. Mr. Kupa worked for the former communist government.

-30- 1370
#90350d5720 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (DEC. 16) - Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak received his Algerian counterpart Chadli Bendjedid here Sunday evening for talks concentrating on the Gulf crisis.

Benjedid, who was welcomed at the airport by Mubarak, flew in from Beirut for a one-day visit.

Egypt's Mena news agency reported that the talks covered latest developments in the Gulf region and prospects for a peaceful solution to the crisis.

Earlier Sunday in Damascus, Benjedid was apparently persuaded to give up his efforts to promote an Arab solution to the Gulf crisis. The Syrians told him it was better to wait and see if Iraq responded to pressure from the U.N. Security Council to withdraw from Kuwait.

Benjedid and Syrian President Hafez Assad felt Kuwait should be returned to the hands of its legal rulers if the Middle East was to be spared a

devastating tragedy, said the official, who declined to be identified.

His several-hour visit to Lebanon was the first by an Arab head of state to that country since the start of the Lebanese civil war in 1975.

Benjedid, who travelled to Lebanon in a heavily-guarded motorcade from Syria, was met by Lebanon's Prime Minister Salim al-Hoss at the town of Chtaura, 35 kilometres along the Beirut-Damascus highway east of Beirut.

He held talks with Hoss, President Elias Hrawi and House Speaker Hussein Husseini on the situation in Lebanon and the Middle East.

Officials said his visit was aimed at expressing Arab support for the Lebanese government and its measures to establish peace.

Algeria is a member of a tripartite Arab Committee on Lebanon that helped work out a reconciliation accord endorsed by Lebanese lawmakers in October last year in Taif, Saudi Arabia.

Benjedid has visited Jordan, Iraq, Iran, Oman and Syria in an attempt to find a solution to the Gulf crisis, triggered by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

-30- 2096

#90350d6160 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 17) - British manufacturing output is expected to drop during the first four months of 1991 at a rate unequalled for 10 years, the Confederation of British Industry (CBI) said in a report published Monday.

Some 44 per cent of 1,361 company chairmen questioned by the employers' body between November 23 and December 12 said their production volume would dip more over the four-month period than they had expected at the start of November. Only 14 per cent forecast an increase.

Official figures published on Friday showed that manufacturing output dropped by 0.9 per cent in September.

David Wigglesworth, chairman of the CBI's economic situation committee, said: "Businesses are facing up to a tough New Year as they struggle to overcome the problems of recession.

"The disciplines imposed by UK membership of the Exchange Rate Mechanism are clearly beginning to bite and will result in significantly higher job losses unless companies manage to keep increases in unit costs down to two or three per cent."

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#90350d6440 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CARACAS (DEC. 17) - The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has approved 1.4 billion dollars in credit to Venezuela for its economic program, press reports said Sunday.

The IMF's credit approval came late Friday in Washington, fund officials there said.

Part of the credit funding, some 864 million dollars, will be used to guarantee Venezuela's financial agreement with its commercial creditors with whom Venezuela has refinanced some 20 billion dollars in debt.

IMF officials congratulated the administration of President Carlos Andres Perez for the success of its economic programs, namely implementing tax reforms and selling off state-owned industries.

-30- 857
#90350d6600 12/16/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR (DEC. 17) - Malaysia will hold talks with its Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) partners on how to enhance the region's bargaining power in international trade, news reports said Monday.

The cabinet has asked International Trade and Industry Minister Rafidah Aziz to discuss trade cooperation with Brunei, Indonesia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand in order to reach a consensus, the reports said.

"We in this part of the world should cooperate to enhance our bargaining power so that we will not be ignored in international trade negotiations," Ms. Rafidah was quoted as saying.

Malaysian Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad last week proposed an Asia-Pacific trading bloc to help countries in the region cope with an eventual failure in the Uruguay Round of multi-lateral trade negotiations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

The proposal received a cautious response from Chinese Premier Li Peng who was here on a visit last week, while Japanese officials in Tokyo said they viewed regional groupings as a move towards protectionism.

-30- 1266
#90350e0006 12/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 16) EFE - Afghan rebels have launched a massive offensive in southern Afghanistan, killing at least 16 civilians and wounding dozens others over the past 48 hours, the Soviet news agency TASS reported Sunday.

TASS said Moslem rebels fighting the communist government of President Najibullah had fired more than 240 missiles on the city of Kandahar, killing mostly women and children.

Rival Moslem guerrilla factions based in neighboring Pakistan have been fighting to oust the Soviet-backed government in Kabul since Soviet troops invaded the country in 1979.

But the U.S.-backed rebels have been unable to press home their advantage despite the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan last year.

Earlier this week, the Soviet Union and the United States announced an agreement to cut off weapons to the warring sides in a bid to end the 12-year-old civil war.

-30- 1060

#90350e0013 12/16/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 16) EFE - The anti-apartheid African National Congress (ANC) said Sunday it might break off talks with the government on ending white-only rule unless key reforms were introduced before next April.

ANC delegates at a major conference conditioned the continuance of negotiations with the government of President F.W. de Klerk to the freeing of all political prisoners, the repeal of repressive security laws and an end to state-orchestrated factional violence in black townships.

The ANC conference also approved a resolution calling for mass protests to push the government into meeting its demands.

"Our patience is running out with this regime," read the resolution which was passed on the final day of the ANC's first official conference in South Africa in 30 years.

"We demand that the regime lift all obstacles so that real negotiations can be held without delay," the resolution continued.

The ANC has claimed that security forces have fanned clashes this year between the ANC and its main rival, the Zulu-based Inkatha movement, in townships mainly in the Johannesburg area in an effort to dictate the pace of reforms.

Some 1,000 people have died in the clashes.

The ANC opened talks on ending white-only rule after de Klerk legalized the anti-apartheid organization in February and freed a number of its leaders, including Vice President Nelson Mandela.

On Saturday, the ANC called on the international community to maintain

sanctions against South Africa until the apartheid system was totally dismantled.

-30- 1752

#90350h0065 12/16/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

AMMAN (DEC. 16) XINHUA - SEVENTYFIVE JORDANIANS AND PALESTINIANS WERE REWARDED THE JERUSALEM MEDAL, THE HIGHEST CULTURAL AWARD OF THE STATE OF PALESTINE, BY VISITING PALESTINIAN PRESIDENT YASSER ARAFAT LATE SATURDAY NIGHT.

ABOUT 4,000 PEOPLE ATTENDED THE CEREMONY, WAVING PALESTINIAN FLAGS, CHANTING SONGS BACKING THE UPRISING IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES AND HAILING ARAFAT, CONCURRENTLY CHAIRMAN OF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION (PLO).

THE CEREMONY WAS THE SECOND SINCE THE PROCLAMATION OF THE STATE OF PALESTINE BY THE PALESTINE NATIONAL COUNCIL (PNC) IN ALGIERS IN NOVEMBER 1988.

AMONG THOSE HONORED WERE RAWHI AL KHATIB, THE EXPELLED MAYOR OF JERUSALEM, HANNA NASSER, THE EXPELLED PRESIDENT OF BEIR ZEIT UNIVERSITY IN THE WEST BANK AND SCORES OF PALESTINIAN TEACHERS, WRITERS, ARTISTS, POETS, JOURNALISTS AS WELL AS JORDANIANS WHO HAVE MADE OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE DEVELOPMENTS OF PALESTINIAN CULTURE AND ART.

SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE WINNERS OF THE MEDAL, NASSER SAID, "THIS IS A MEDAL FOR ALL PROFESSORS AND PEOPLE WORKING IN THE PALESTINIAN UNIVERSITIES ... FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE CARRYING OUT THE CULTURAL STRUGGLE AND CONFRONTING THE ISRAELI AUTHORITIES."

UNIVERSITIES AND SCHOOLS IN THE WEST BANK AND GAZA STRIP HAVE BEEN CLOSED FOR MUCH OF THE PAST THREE YEARS OF PALESTINIAN UPRISING AGAINST ISRAELI OCCUPATION. BUT MANY PROFESSORS AND TEACHERS HAVE CONTINUED WORKING IN VILLAGES WITH AN AIM TO BRING ABOUT AN EDUCATED NEW GENERATION FOR THE PALESTINIAN CAUSE.

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#90350p3630 12/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHELTON, Conn. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Forschner Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: FSNR), the exclusive United States distributor of the original Victorinox Swiss Army knife, has filed suit against a competitor for false and misleading advertising.

Forschner and its Swiss Army Brands, Ltd. subsidiary asked the U.S. District Court of Connecticut for an injunction against the advertising practices of Michael Carroll of Monroe, Conn., a direct marketer of knives manufactured by Wenger in Switzerland. The other defendants are distributing the knives promoted by Carroll in the contested advertising and promotion.

Victorinox, the manufacturer of the Swiss Army knife distributed by Forschner, started supplying knives to the Swiss Army in 1891 and is the only company that has been a continuous supplier to the Swiss Army since that date. Wenger became a second supplier in 1908. The 100th anniversary, which Forschner is planning to commemorate, is central to Forschner's legal action against the defendants.

The suit asserts that five specific advertising claims by the defendants are false:

1. The representation that the knife offered by the defendants is the official 100th anniversary Swiss Army Knife.

2. The representation that the offered knife is made by "the maker of the true Swiss Army knife."

3. The representation that "relatively few outside of the Swiss Armed forces can claim to have ever seen this remarkable knife."

4. The representation that Swiss Master Cutlers banded together in 1891 to provide the army with the pocket knife.

5. The representation that officials in Switzerland have authorized the defendants' special 100th anniversary issue.

In addition, the suit asserts that promotion of a Swiss Collector's Guild which would authenticate a knife's purchase is misleading because it implies Swiss government sanction of the guild when in fact the guild is part of the defendants' organization.

Forschner is asking the court for an injunction against the false and misleading advertising and for recovery of legal costs from the defendants. The action was filed under the Trademark Act of 1946.

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#90350p3634 12/16/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 16) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) announced today that it plans to mount a proxy contest for control of the board of directors of NCR Corporation (NYSE: NCR). The contest will involve solicitations of proxies for a special meeting of stockholders and also for the NCR 1991 annual meeting to be held on April 17, 1991.

AT&T will first ask NCR stockholders to request NCR to call the special meeting. Requests from the holders of at least 25 percent of the outstanding shares are necessary to require NCR to call the special meeting.

AT&T is currently offering to purchase all outstanding shares of NCR common stock at a price of $90 per share in cash, subject to the terms and conditions of the offer to purchase dated Dec. 6, 1990.

AT&T also announced it is extending the expiration date of its currently outstanding offer from midnight EST, Friday, Jan. 4, 1991, to midnight, EST, Tuesday, Jan. 15, 1991. In view of the holiday schedule, the extension will enhance the opportunity of NCR stockholders to tender their shares. As the tender offer materials were only mailed in mid- week, no shares had been tendered as of the close of business, Friday, Dec. 14, 1990.

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#90350t3835 12/16/1990 ~ts

LENINGRAD (DEC. 16) TASS - PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO OF SOUTH KOREA LEFT THE SOVIET UNION TODAY.

ROH BEGAN HIS OFFICIAL VISIT ON DECEMBER 13. ON DECEMBER 14, ROH MET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND SIGNED A DECLARATION ON GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF SOVIET-SOUTH KOREAN RELATIONS.

BEFORE DEPARTING FROM THE SOVIET UNION TODAY, ROH TOURED LENINGRAD.

SPEAKING AT A LUNCHEON, HOSTED BY THE LENINGRAD CITY COUNCIL, ROH STRESSED THAT SOUTH KOREA AND THE SOVIET UNION WERE ALIENATED FOR TOO LONG A PERIOD.

NOW SOUTH KOREA AND THE SOVIET UNION HAVE ENTERED AN ERA OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION, HE STRESSED.

"FOLLOWING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF INTER-STATE RELATIONS, OUR TASK IS NOW TO BECOME GENUINE PARTNERS IN ESTABLISHING A NEW WORLD COMMUNITY," ROH SAID.

"I AND PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV HAVE ANNOUNCED TO THE ENTIRE WORLD THAT WE WILL PAY MAXIMUM EFFORT TO ESTABLISH PEACE ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA AND THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION," HE SAID.

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#90350u0029 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 16) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE U.S.A.:

City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	mc	40	27	.01
Anchorage	cl	8	-8	....

Asheville pc	58	36	....
Atlanta mc	58	42	.02
Baltimore sy	42	28	.81
Billings mc	34	10	....
Birmingham mc	67	55	....
Bismarck mc	67	55	....
Boston pc	47	25	.34
Brownsville pc	83	66	....
Buffalo cy	35	30	.15
Burlington Vt. sn	34	24	.16
Charleston S.C. pc	68	50	....
Charlotte pc	53	42	....
Chicago pc	45	34	.19
Cincinnati pc	59	38	.96
Cleveland cy	49	35	.58
Columbus Ohio cy	57	35	.92
Dallas r	62	54	....
Denver cy	50	18	....
Des Moines cy	35	32	.13
Detroit mc	43	32	.16
Duluth pc	29	21	....
El Paso cy	56	45	.01
Evansville pc	59	44	.53
Fargo pc	36	9	....
Hartford pc	33	16	.50
Honolulu sy	83	70	....
Houston mc	80	66	....
Indianapolis pc	56	37	.78
Jackson Miss. pc	77	60	....
Jacksonville pc	75	58	....
Kansas City sh	39	30	.01
Las Vegas sh	52	26	....
Little Rock r	62	49	.05
Los Angeles pc	61	45	....
Louisville pc	60	45	....
Memphis cy	66	59	.02
Miami Beach pc	76	72	....
Milwaukee pc	38	33	.28
Minneapolis pc	34	27	.32
Nashville cy	63	52	.25
New Orleans pc	77	56	....
New York mc	49	33	.40
Oklahoma City r	50	39	....
Omaha cy	38	30	.05
Orlando sy	80	55	....
Philadelphia cy	39	28	.54
Phoenix sh	60	50	.03
Pittsburgh pc	54	34	.92

Portland Me. sn	34	16	.50
Portland Ore. mc	47	35	....
Providence pc	51	19	.67
Richmond sy	47	36	.64
St. Louis cy	52	41	.04
Salt Lake City cy	34	12	....
San Antonio mc	77	66	....
San Diego pc	63	49	....
San Francisco sy	52	44	.64
San Juan pc	84	74	.17
Seattle pc	39	45	.13
Spokane fy	34	18	....
Tampa sy	79	55	....
Washington sy	44	36	.70
Wichita sl	49	32	....

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

mc-mostly cloudy

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sl-sleet

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

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WALES CONFERENCE

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	19	11	5	43	135	106
Philadelphia	18	15	3	39	122	117
New Jersey	16	13	5	37	130	117
Washington	18	16	0	36	114	103
Pittsburgh	14	16	3	31	133	129
NY Islanders	11	16	3	25	87	112

Adams Division

Boston	18	10	5	41	112	101
Montreal	16	15	3	35	107	107
Hartford	14	15	4	32	94	109
Buffalo	10	14	7	27	95	103
Quebec	7	21	6	20	94	149

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	22	11	2	46	117	89
St. Louis	19	9	4	42	110	87
Detroit	16	12	4	36	124	119
Minnesota	10	18	6	26	99	111
Toronto	8	25	1	17	90	143

Smythe Division

Calgary	19	10	4	42	138	104
Los Angeles	17	9	5	39	130	102
Vancouver	13	16	3	29	102	113
Winnipeg	10	18	7	27	116	126
Edmonton	12	16	2	26	94	96

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Chicago 0 0 1--1

Minnesota 2 1 2--5

First period-1, Minnesota, Glynn 3, (Tinordi, Broten), 1:18. 2, Minnesota Smith 8, (Propp, Bellos), pp, 18:14.

Penalties- Presley, Chi, 3:08; Tinordi, Min, 7:55; Yawney, Chi, 9:43; Thomas, Chi, 14:50; Manson, Chi, 17:08; Goulet, Chi, 19:31; Johnson, Min, 19:31; Dahlen, Min, 19:31; Graham, Chi, 20:00.

Second period-3, Minnesota, Dahlen 3, (Tinordi, Sinasalo), 12:01.

Penalties-Konroyd, Chi, 10:00; Manson, Chi, 12:44; Zettler, Min, minor (misconduct), 12:44; Presley, Chi, 12:44; Thomas, Chi, minor (misconduct), 12:44; Berezan, Min, 12:44; Belfour, Chi (served by Goulet), 18:06; Glynn, Min 19:56.

Third period-4, Minnesota, Dahlen 4, (Broten), 7:11. 5, Minnesota, Berezan 3, (Zettler, Giles), pp, 13:56. 6, Chicago, Manson 5, (Chelios, Presley), pp,18:05.

Penalties-Johnson, Min, 3:44; Casey, Min (served by Smail), 4:17; Creighton, Chi, 4:17; Thomas, Chi, double minor, 9:46; T. Murray, Chi, 9:46; Dahlquist, Min, 9:46; Johnson, Min, 9:46; Belfour, Chi (served by Murray), 11:57; Manson, Chi, 15:57; Modano, Min, 17:39; Berezan, Min, 17:16.

Shots on goal-Chicago 2-8-12-22. Minnesota 17-13-11-41.

Power-play conversions-Chicago 7-1. Minnesota 9-2.

Goalies-Chicago, Belfour. Minnesota, Casey. A-9438.

Referee-Denis Morel.

Hartford 1 1 1-3
Washington 0 1 1-2

First period-1, Hartford, Krygier 6 (Wilson, Holik), 15:15.

Penalties-Francis, Har, 4:50; Hunter, Was, 4:50; Samuelsson, Har, 6:45; Langway, Was, 9:43; Hatcher, Was, 18:31.

Second period-2, Hartford, Verbeek 17 (Krygier), 15:17. 3, Hatcher 13 (Ciccarelli, Ridley), 16:20.

Penalties-Holik, Har, :50; Lalor, Was, (double minor), :50; Wilson, Har, 1:50; Ladouceur, Har, 12:53; Hatcher, Was, 12:53; Francis, Har, 13:10; Hunter, Was, (double minor), 13:10; Shaw, Har, 14:30; Lalor, Was, 14:59.

Third period-4, Hartford, Holik 8 (Krygier, Wilson), :37. 5, Washington, Ciccarelli 4 (Langway, Tatarinov), 13:51.

Penalties-Ladouceur, Har, :44; Bondra, Was, 1:23; Samuelsson, Har, (fighting), 2:18; Hunter, Was, (fighting), 2:18; Holik, Har, 4:00; Tatarinov, Was, (double minor), 15:53; Evason, Har, (double minor), 15:53; Verbeek, Har, (double minor), 17:20; Druce, Was, (double minor), 17:20.

Shots on goal-Hartford 4-8-8-20. Washington 9-10-8-27.

Power-play conversions-Hartford 6-0. Washington 4-0.

Goalies-Hartford, Reaugh. Washington, Beaupre. A-15,237.

Referee-Mike McGeough.

New Jersey	0	1	0	0-1
Boston	1	0	0	0-1

First period-1, Boston, Neely 16 (Bourque, Galley), pp, 6:36.

Penalties-Wesley, Bos, 4:21; Shanahan, N.J., 5:25; Muller, N.J., 9:56; Poulin, Bos, 12:02; Sundstrom, N.J., 12:02.

Second period-2, New Jersey, Norwood 4 (Morris, Brown), 6:53.

Penalties-Lemieux, N.J., 10:48; Pedersen, Bos, 14:29; Stewart, N.J., 14:29; Bourque, Bos, 14:29.

Third period-No scoring.

Penalties-Bourque, Bos, 3:40; MacLean, N.J., 4:28.

Overtime-No scoring. Penalties-Galley, Bos, 1:31; Shanahan, N.J., 1:31.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 11-14-8-2-35. Boston 10-10-14-1-35.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 3-0. Boston 4-1.

Goaltenders-New Jersey, Terreri. Boston, Moog. A-14,210.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

St Louis	1	0	3	--4
Toronto	0	2	0	--2

First period-1 St Louis, Courtnall 12 (Wilson), 18:32.

Penalties-Marois, Tor, 6:46; Hull, StL, 13:41; Dirk, StL, 16:06; Lowry, StL, 18:12; Broten, Tor, 18:12.

Second period-2, Toronto, Damphousse 12 (Iafrate), 1:36. 3, Toronto, Krushelnyski 4 (Clark), 10:40.

Penalties-Iafrate, Tor, 6:26; Richardson, Tor, 7:49; Ellett, Tor, 12:28; Bassen, StL, (double minor, roughing), 15:43; Ramage, Tor, 15:43.

Third Period-4, St. Louis, Hull 31 (unassisted), :24. 5, St. Louis, Lowry 7 (Momesso, Dirk), 2:25. 6, St. Louis, Featherstone, 4 (unassisted), 8:29.

Penalties-Brind'Amour, StL, 8:29; Petit, Tor, 8:29; Wilson, StL, 16:17; Ramage Tor, 16:17; Bassen, StL, 19:58; Petit, Tor, (2 min, roughing, 10 min misconduct), 19:58.

Shots on goal-St Louis 12-9-9-30. Toronto 10- 9-8-27.

Power-play conversions-St Louis 3-0. Toronto 4-0.

Goaltenders-St Louis, Joseph. Toronto, Ing. A-16,382.

Referee-Rob Shick.

Montreal	1	1	0	--2
Winnipeg	1	1	2	--4

First period-1, Winnipeg, Housley 9 (Olczyk, Numminen), pp, 1:55. 2, Montreal, Scheider 6 (Lefebvre, Pederson), pp, 9:06.

Penalties-Schneider, Mtl, 0:19; Barber, Wpg, 2:37; Housley, Wpg, 7:59; Donnelly, Wpg, 17:40; Svoboda, Mtl, 20:00; Donnelly, Wpg, 20:00.

Second period-3, Montreal, Savard 10 (Dejardins, Schneider), pp, 2:52. 4, Winnipeg, Elynuik 14 (Housley, Olausson), pp, 10:24.

Penalties-LeBeau, Mtl, 9:52; Turgoeon, Mtl, 10:58; Cronin, Wpg, 13:40.

Third period-5, Winnipeg, Mantha 5 (Olczyk, Housley), pp, 8:17. 6, Winnipeg, Evans 5 (Elynuik, Cole), 13:24.

Penalties- Turgeon, Mtl, 7:09.

Shots on goal-Montreal 8-9-10-27. Winnipeg 8-9-7-24.

Power-play conversions-Montreal 5-2. Winnipeg 4-3.

Goaltenders-Montreal, Bergeron; Winnipeg, Beauregard. A-15,506.

Referee-Mike McGeough.

Edmonton	0	0	3	--3
Los Angeles	2	3	3	--8

First period-1, Los Angeles, Taylor 8 (Elik, Robitaille), 7:25. 2, Los Angeles Kudelski 10 (Duchesne, Gretzky), 7:45.

Penalties-Miller, LA, misconduct, 8:53; Duchesne, LA, 11:39; Beukeboom, Edm, 14:59; Elik, LA, 16:33.

Second period-3, Los Angeles, Gretzky 20 (Duchesne, Robitaille), pp, 6:57. 4, Los Angeles, Kasper 4 (Jones, Robitaille), 12:54. 5, Los Angeles, Duchesne 8 (Gretzky, Granato), 18:03.

Penalties-Ranford, Edm, (served by Buchberger), 4:09; Tikkanen, Edm, 5:48; Granato, LA, 9:22; Tikkanen, Edm, misconduct, 10:26; Buchberger, Edm, major (fighting), 13:32; Miller, LA, major (fighting), 13:32; Simpson, Edm, double minor, 17:16; Robitaille, LA, minor and major (fighting), 17:16.

Third period-6, Edmonton, Semenov 4 (S. Smith, Klima), pp, 1:09. 7, Los Angeles, Kudelski 11 (Granato, Gretzky), 4:43. 8, Edmonton, S. Smith 7 (Klima, Tikkanen), 5:23. 9, Edmonton, Klima 11 (Murphy, Tikkanen), 8:01. 10, Los Angeles, Robitaille 16 (Taylor, Elik), 16:28. 11, Los Angeles, Duchesne 9 (Gretzky, Watters), 18:43.

Penalties-Buchberger, Edm, minor and game misconduct, 19:39; Brown, Edm, minor and game misconduct, 19:39; McIntyre, LA, double minor, 19:39.

Shots on goal-Edmonton 11-5-16-32. Los Angeles 14-10-10-34.

Power-play conversions-Edmonton 5-1. Los Angeles 3-1.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Ranford, Takko (0:00 third per). Los Angeles, Berthiaume. A-16,005.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB

Boston	19	4	.826	-
Philadelphia	15	7	.682	3 1/2
New York	10	11	.476	8
New Jersey	8	13	.381	10
Washington	7	15	.318	11 1/2
Miami	5	16	.238	13

Central Division

Milwaukee	16	7	.696	-
Detroit	14	8	.636	1 1/2
Chicago	14	8	.636	1 1/2
Atlanta	10	11	.476	5
Cleveland	10	13	.435	6
Charlotte	8	13	.381	6 1/2
Indiana	9	14	.391	7

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	14	5	.737	-
Utah	14	8	.636	1 1/2
Houston	13	10	.565	3
Dallas	7	13	.350	7 1/2
Minnesota	7	14	.333	8
Denver	5	17	.227	10 1/2
Orlando	5	18	.217	11

Pacific Division

Portland	20	2	.909	-
Phoenix	13	7	.650	6
LA Lakers	12	7	.632	6 1/2
Golden State	13	9	.591	7
LA Clippers	10	12	.455	10
Seattle	7	13	.350	12
Sacramento	5	15	.250	14

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HOUSTON (100)

Johnson 9-15 0-0 18, Thorpe 9-14 5-6 23, Olajuwon 12-18 0-0 24, Maxwell 3-8 1-2 8, K. Smith 4-9 3-4 11, Winchester 1-7 0-0 2, Feitl 3-4 0-0 6, Floyd 3-9 0-0 6, L. Smith 0-1 0-0 0, Wood 1-1 0-0 2.

Totals 45-86 9-12 100.

CHARLOTTE (97)

Newman 4-8 0-0 9, Gilliam 2-7 7-7 11, Reid 6-15 1-2 13, Bogues 4-8 0-0 8, Chapman 11-23 4-4 28, Gill 2-4 2-2 6, Curry 4-8 2-2 11, Gattison 1-5 3-6 5, Tripucka 1-1 0-0 2, Keys 2-4 0-0 4, Hoppen 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 37-83 19-23 97.

Houston	34	22	31	13-100
Charlotte	25	18	27	27-97

Three-point goal(s)-Maxwell, Newman, Chapman, Curry. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Houston 19, Charlotte 18. Rebounds-Houston 41 (Thorpe 14), Charlotte 38 (Reid, gattison 9). Assists-Houston 26 (Smith 8), Charlotte 19 (Bogues 12). Technical(s)- Reid, Maxwell. A-23,901.

SAN ANTONIO (90)

Cummings 6-13 2-3 14, Elliott 2-7 2-4 6, Robinson 11-22 4-6 26, Anderson 5-16 0-0 10, Strickland 3-10 3-4 9, Williams 5-7 8-9 19, Greenwood 0-2 0-0 0, Myers 1-4 0-0 2, Schintzius 1-1 0-0 2, Massenburg 1-1 0-0 2.

Totals 35-83 19-26 90.

MINNESOTA (74)

Corbin 5-17 3-4 13, Spencer 0-5 4-4 4, Breuer 5-10 0-2 10, Campbell 5-16 2-2 12, Richardson 7-19 1-2 16, Mitchell 3-12 1-2 7, Glass 3-11 4-6 10, Brooks 1-2 0-0 2, West 0-0 0-0 0, Thornton 0-1 0-0 0, Coffey 0-1 0-0 0.

Totals 29-94 15-22 74.

San Antonio	24	20	17	29-90
Minnesota	20	25	18	11-74

Three-point goals-Williams, Richardson. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-San Antonio 18, Minnesota 22. Rebounds-San Antonio 64 (Robinson 17), Minnesota 63 (Spencer 11). Assists-San Antonio 23 (Strickland 11), Minnesota 21 (Richardson 8). Technicals- None. A-19,006.

BOSTON (114)

Bird 4-11 0-0 9, Gamble 3-3 4-4 10, Parish 7-11 9-11 23, Lewis 8-15 1-2 17, Shaw 8-9 3-4 19, McHale 4-8 6-6 14, Kleine 0-0 0-0 0, Brown 1-5 7-8 9, Smith 4-6 2-2 10, Pinckney 1-3 0-0 2, Vrankovic 0-1 1-1 1, Popson 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 40-72 33-38 114.

MIAMI (100)

Long 3-7 0-0 6, Thompson 2-4 2-2 6, Seikaly 1-8 2-4 4, Coles 6-11 3-7 15, Rice 6-10 0-0 12, Edwards 2-10 3-4 7, Burton 9-16 4-5 23, Davis 4-9 3-10 11, Sundvold 1-8 0-0 2, Kessler 6-14 0-1 12, Askins 1-4 0-0 2.

Totals 41-101 17-33 100.

Boston	31	26	33	24-114
Miami	20	26	19	35-100

Three-point goals-Bird, Burton. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Boston 25, Miami 30. Rebounds-Boston 39 (Parish 13), Miami 47 (Kessler 9). Assists-Boston 26 (Bird 7), Miami 24 (Coles 9). Technicals-None. A-15, 008.

CLEVELAND (98)

Ehlo 1-8 0-0 2, Nance 8-17 1-1 17, Daugherty 5-15 5-8 15, Valentine 0-3 0-0 0, Paddio 0-2 0-0 0, Brown 7-8 5-6 19, Morton 2-3 0-0 4, Ferry 7-12 4-4 18, Kerr 4-10 2-2 11, Woodson 0-6 0-0 0, Babic 1-1 1-4 3, Chievous 4-5 1-2 9.

Totals 39-90 19-27 98.

CHICAGO (116)

Pippen 8-15 3-4 19, Grant 5-6 1-1 11, Cartwright 4-6 1-1 9, Paxson 4-7 0-0 9, Jordan 11-17 2-2 24, Perdue 2-5 1-2 5, Armstrong 4-9 0-0 8, Hopson 7-8 0-2 14, King 4-8 0-0 8, Levingston 0-4 0-0 0, Williams 2-4 0-0 4, Hodges 2-3 0-0 5.

Totals 53-92 8-12 116.

Cleveland	5	28	28	37- 98
Chicago	36	26	22	32-116

Three-point goals-Kerr, Paxson, Hodges. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Cleveland 13, Chicago 21. Rebounds-Cleveland 35 (Nance 9), Chicago 46 (Jordan 9). Assists-Cleveland 28 (Kerr 8), Chicago 40 (Jordan, Hodges 6). Technicals-None. A-18,228.

NEW YORK (125)

Mustaf 4-7 1-1 9, Oakley 3-8 6-7 12, Ewing 10-17 11-13 31, Cheeks 2-5 1-2 5, G. Wilkins 9-16 6-9 24, E. Wilkins 4-8 0-0 8, Starks 3-5 2-2 8, Quinnett 4-4 1-2 9, Jackson 7-8 3-4 17, Grant 1-3 0-0 2.

Totals 47-81 31-40 125.

NEW JERSEY (104)

Morris 5-10 2-2 12, Haley 3-9 2-2 8, Bowie 0-3 5-8 5, Blaylock 2-12 0-0 4, Theus 13-17 7-8 36, Gervin 9-16 2-4 22, Dudley 0-4 0-2 0, Conner 2-2 0-0 4, Coleman 1-5 2-2 5, George 0-3 0-0 0, Buechler 2-4 1-1 5, Lee 1-2 1-1 3.

Totals 38-87 22-32 104.

New York	22	31	31	41--125
New Jersey	32	29	12	31--104

Three-point goals-Theus 3, Gervin 2, Coleman. Fouled out-Bowie. Rebounds-New York 42 (Oakley 14), New Jersey 41 (Gervin 7). Assists-New York 20 (Cheeks 6), New Jersey 20 (Blaylock 8). Technicals-Ewing, New York Coach MacLeod, Bowie, New Jersey trainer Massman, Haley. A-17,115.

WASHINGTON (113)

Grant 9-19 4-5 22, King 10-18 9-10 29, Jones 2-2 0-0 4, Walker 4-8 0-0 8, Workman 2-5 0-0 4, Eackles 6-9 5-5 19, Alarie 3-6 1-2 8, Hammonds 1-4 0-0 2, English 4-7 3-4 11, Foster 2-3 0-0 4, Ellison 1-2 0-0 2.

Totals 44-83 22-26 113.

ATLANTA (125)

Wilkins 8-18 5-5 21, Willis 8-13 0-0 16, Koncak 3-4 0-0 6, Rivers 7-13 5-6 19, Webb 1-7 3-3 5, Battle 9-17 10-10 28, Moncrief 2-2 2-2 7, Malone 1-3 3-4 5, McCormick 4-6 3-4 11, Ferrell 2-2 3-4 7

Totals 45-85 34-38 125.

Washington	26	27	26	34-113
Atlanta	28	32	26	39-125

Three-point goals-Eackles 2, Alarie, Moncrief. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Washington 27, Atlanta 25. Rebounds-Washington 38 (Grant 9), Atlanta 38 (Willis 8). Assists-Washington 32 (Walker 11), Atlanta 28 (Rivers 6) Technicals-Walker, Atlanta (illegal defense). A-10,830.

LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS (92)

Norman 10-23 2-5 23, Smith 12-20 3-6 27, Manning 5-10 6-9 16, Grant 1-3 0-0 2, Kimble 1-8 2-2 4, Vaught 6-9 1-2 13, Bannister 1-1 0-2 2, Garland 0-4 0-0 0, Martin 2-6 1-1 5, Garrick 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 38-84 15-27 92.

MILWAUKEE (98)

Brickowski 11-16 3-8 25, Roberts 1-2 3-4 5, Sikma 2-6 6-6 11, Humphries 7-15 5-5 19, Robertson 2-5 3-4 7, Lohaus 0-2 0-0 0, Pierce 8-13 5-6 22, Schayes 1-3 2-2 4, Grayer 0-2 0-0 0, Anderson 1-2 0-0 2, Kornet 0-1 0-0 0, Henson 1-2 0-0 3.

Totals 34-69 27-35 98.

Los Angeles	20	24	25	23-92
Milwaukee	23	22	29	24-98

Three-point goals-Norman, Sikma, Henson, Pierce. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Los Angeles 26, Milwaukee 27. Rebounds-Los Angeles 48 (Vaught 13), Milwaukee 35 (Brickowski 11). Assists-Los Angeles 22 (Grant 8), Milwaukee 20 (Robertson 7). Technicals-Milwaukee illegal defense, Pierce. A-16,764.

PHOENIX (142)

Chambers 13-24 2-3 28, McDaniel 9-19 1-2 19, West 1-1 2-2 4, Johnson 7-13 10-11 24, Hornacek 8-15 12-12 28, Majerle 3-5 0-2 6, Perry 8-11 3-5 19, Knight 4-5 0-0 8, Rambis 0-0 2-2 2, Ceballos 0-3 2-2 2, Nealy 1-3 0-0 2.

Totals 54-99 34-41 142.

DENVER (134)

Woolridge 9-19 4-5 22, Liberty 8-13 2-4 18, Rasmussen 10-19 1-2 22, Adams 8-22 6-6 23, Lichti 5-14 1-1 11, Wolf 3-5 2-2 8, Davis 7-17 4-4 18, Cook 1-5 0-0 2, Johnson 4-4 2-4 10, Dunn 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 55-118 22-28 134.

Phoenix	39	29	38	36--142
Denver	35	33	32	34--134

Three-point goals-Adams, Rasmussen. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Phoenix 24. Denver 27. Rebounds-Phoenix 62 (McDaniel 15). Denver 45 (Rasmussen 12). Assists-Phoenix 32 (Johnson, Hornacek 8). Denver 27 (Adams 19). Technical fouls-Denver (2) illegal defense. A-13,696.

INDIANA (124)

Thompson 3-10 1-2 7, Person 14-21 4-4 35, Smits 0-2 0-0 0, Fleming 7-15 4-4 18 Miller 7-13 5-5 23, Schrempf 7-12 6-6 20, Sanders 2-3 0-0 4, M. Williams 6-9 1-2 13, Dreiling 1-3 2-2 4, McCloud 0-2 0-0 0, K. Williams 0-1 0-0 0, Wittman 0-1 0-0 0.

Totals 47-92 23-25 124.

UTAH (116)

K. Malone 10-20 13-17 33, Edwards 4-9 1-2 9, Eaton 2-2 1-2 5, Stockton 8-13 9-11 27, J. Malone 7-14 0-0 14, Rudd 1-3 0-0 2, Bailey 5-7 1-2 11, Brown 2-3 1-3 5, Griffith 3-5 3-4 10.

Totals 42-76 29-41 116.

Indiana	26	38	25	35-124
Utah	30	37	21	28--116

Three-point goals-Person 3, Miller 4, Stockton 2, Griffith 1. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Indiana 30, Utah 22. Rebounds-Indiana 39 (Schrempf 11), Utah 38 (K. Malone 22). Assists-Indiana 31 (Miller 7), Utah 31 (Stockton 11). Technicals-Indiana Coach Versace, K. Malone. A-12,616.

ORLANDO (108)

Scott 4-12 4-6 14, Catledge 7-17 7-7 21, Kite 2-5 0-0 4, Skiles 4-8 4-6 13, Smith 10-15 1-3 21, Acres 1-1 0-0 2, Wiley 0-2 0-0 0, Anderson 3-9 0-1 7 Reynolds 9-15 5-6 24, Ansley 1-2 0-0 2.

Totals 41-86 21-29 108.

SACRAMENTO (117)

Bonner 3-9 2-2 8, Tisdale 14-21 8-8 36, Causwell 0-1 0-0 0, Sparrow 3-4 0-0 6, Simmons 4-10 4-6 12, Hansen 4-8 1-1 9, Carr 7- 16 3-3 17, Wood 7-10 7-7 25, Wennington 2-3 0-2 4.

Totals 44-82 25-29 117.

Orlando	30	24	26	28--108
Sacramento	34	28	17	38--117

Rebounds-Orlando 42 (Catledge 10), Sacramento 41 (Simmons 12). Assists-Orlando 23 (Skiles 14), Sacramento 28 (Wood 7). Personal fouls-Orlando 29, Sacramento 22. Fouled out-Hansen. Technical fouls-Orlando Coach Goukas, Carr, Sacramento illegal defense. A-17,014.

DALLAS (105)

McCray 2-8 6-6 10, White 3-8 2-2 8, Donaldson 3-6 1-5 7, Blackman 9-14 8-8 28, Harper 8-14 4-4 22, English 8-12 4-4 20, Davis 3-5 2-2 8, Alford 1-1 0-0 2, Shasky 0-2 0-0 0.

Total 37-70 27-31 105.

SEATTLE (106)

Kemp 11-15 0-0 22, McKey 7-15 1-2 15, Cage 4-8 1-1 9, Payton 3-7 1-2 7, Threatt 8-11 0-0 16, McMillan 3-7 2-2 0 8, Ellis 6-10 1-1 15, E. Johnson 5-9 0-0 10, Polynice 2-5 0-0 4, Barros 0-0 0-0 0.

Total 49-87 6-8 106.

Dallas	31	20	29	25--105
Seattle	28	23	29	26--106

Three-point goals-Blackman 2, Harper 2, Ellis 2. Fouled out-None. Team fouls-Dallas 15, Seattle 23. Rebounds-Dallas 29 (McCray 9), Seattle 34 (Cage 8). Assists-Dallas 21 (Harper 9), Seattle 27 (McMillan 10). A-10, 009.

LA LAKERS (111)

Perkins 10-14 10-11 30, Worthy 12-27 4-4 28, Divac 2-2 0-0 4, Johnson 4-11 7-8 15, Scott 5-11 4-5 14, Green 1-3 0-0 2, Teagle 4-10 5-6 13, Drew 2-2 1-2 5.

Totals 40-80 31-36 111.

GOLDEN STATE (109)

Hill 4-5 2-3 10, Mullin 12-21 2-2 27, Johnson 2-2 0-0 4, Hardaway 10-24 2-2 22 Richmond 10-25 2-2 22, Petersen 2-4 2-2 6, Higgins 1-5 0-0 2, Marciulionis 3-3 0-2 6, Tolbert 3-6 4-4 10, Pritchard 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 47-95 14-17 109.

Los Angeles	30	30	27	24-111
Golden State	29	28	34	18-109

Three-point goals-Mullin. Fouled out-Tolbert. Fouls-Los Angeles 20, Golden State 26. Rebounds-Los Angeles 39 (Worthy 10), Golden State 36 (Hill, Johnson, Higgins 6). Assists-Los Angeles 20 (Johnson 9), Golden State 29 (Hardaway 13). Technical-Los Angeles illegal defense. A-15,025.

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#90350u0157 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 16) UPI - U-S military officials think they put a dent in the looting being done in Kuwait. A Navy cruiser on patrol in the Red Sea intercepted two ships loaded with cars. Officials think Iraq's forces stole the cars after invading Kuwait. The United States and its allies have boarded more than 500

ships since an international embargo took effect.

Former President Carter says he's confident Haiti's election Sunday will be an honest one. Carter is one of the international observers in Haiti for the election. He met with Haiti's interim president Saturday and congratulated him for bringing Haiti to the door of democratic elections. A former World Bank economist and a populist former priest are running for president.

A former official in Washington Mayor Marion Barry's administration has been acquitted in a second bribery-conspiracy trial. A federal jury found Gladys Baxley innocent of charges she conspired to defraud the District of Columbia with illegal contracting procedures in the city's Department of Human Services. Baxley ran the D-C Mental Health Services administration.

The parents of Nancy Cruzan say they will stay at her bedside until she dies but are glad her death will be soon. The Missouri woman has been in a coma for almost eight years. Doctors removed her feeding tube Saturday after the second round of a court fight. Cruzon suffered brain damage in a car accident in 1983 and has been unconscious since then.

A former North Texas lawman has been sentenced to death for killing a man at a roadside rest stop. John Byron Yarbrough was once the second- in-command at the Wise County Sheriff's Department and a 17-year veteran of the Fort Worth Police Department. Yarbrough maintained throughout the trial that a man who testified against him was the actual killer.

An investigator for a Louisiana district attorney is jailed in Florida. He's accused of beating up Mexican farm workers at a highway rest stop last year. Walter Adams of Slidell, Lousiana, was convicted Friday. He claims he was drunk and stressed-out from investigating child abuse cases. Prosecutors say the attacks were racially motivated.

An animal rights activist has been freed after spending 45 days in jail for refusing to testify before a California grand jury. Henry Hutto of Eugene, Oregon, was jailed after he refused to answer a grand jury's questions about an underground group called the Animal Liberation Front that was suspected of setting a fire. The grand jury is about to go out of office.

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#90350u0167 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 16) UPI - An Islamic fundamentalist once linked to the assassination of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat was discovered living in a mosque where the suspect in the murder of Rabbi Meir Kahane worshiped, a published report said Sunday.

The New York Times report said Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman entered the United illegally.

The presence of Abdel-Rahman was discovered during the investigation of the assassination in Manhattan last month of Rabbi Meir Kahane, a militant Zionist the Times reported.

The suspect charged in the Kahane shooting, El Sayyid Nosair, worshipped in the Brooklyn mosque where Abdel-Rahman was found, the Times said.

But investigators said they believe the Kahane suspect acted alone in killing the militant whose anti-Arab party was banned in Israel as racist, and that the sheik's presence in New York is likely unrelated to the Nov. 5 slaying.

Abdel-Rahman, 52, who is blind and in ill health, was believed to have entered the United States more than five months ago after he obtained a visa from a consul in the U.S. Embassy in Khartoum, Sudan, despite a State Department ban on such a visit, the Times said.

Abdel-Rahman was widely regarded in Egypt as a spiritual leader of several radical underground Islamic extremist groups, the newspaper said.

He was tried on charges of inciting Sadat's 1981 assassination but was released because of a lack of evidence, the Times said.

State Department experts suggested the sheik, after being frequently detained without trial despite never being convicted, may have fled Egypt out of fear of further arrests, the Times said.

''He's like an Ayatollah Khomeini,'' one expert told the Times. ''He's been known for rather fiery sermons in the past.''

The sheik reportedly has denounced Kahane's assassination, saying it would bring trouble to the Moslem community, the newspaper said.

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#90350u0168 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (DEC. 16) UPI - A cattle rancher and his son were convicted Sunday and sentenced to prison in the 1988 murder of labor leader and environmentalist Francisco ''Chico'' Mendes, official sources said.

A jury of seven found Darcy Alves da Silva, 56, and his son Darci Alves Pereira, 26, guilty in the death of Mendes, who had led efforts by rubber tappers to preserve the Amazon jungle.

Both men were sentenced to 19 years of prison, judge Adair Jose Longuini said at the end of a four-day trial in Xapuri, a small town 1, 910 miles north east of Rio de Janeiro.

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#90350u0186 12/16/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (DEC. 16) UPI - Defense Minister Moshe Arens indicated Sunday that deportation orders for four Palestinians could be the start of harsher measures to quell increasing Arab violence within Israel's pre-1967 borders.

The four residents of the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip received deportation orders Saturday night, as the military arrested hundreds of Palestinians suspected of membership in an outlawed Islamic group. The military accused the four of incitement and other illegal activities.

In a leaflet distributed Sunday, the Moslem group, the Islamic Fundamentalist Movement, praised the fatal stabbings Friday of three Jews in the Israeli town of Jaffa near Tel Aviv as a ''heroic operation.''

Known by its Arabic acronym Hamas, the group also called for a two- day strike to protest the mass arrests of its followers in the Israeli- occupied territories.

Army Radio reported Hamas claimed responsibility for the slayings, but the leaflet did not specifically acknowledge the movement's direct involvement in the attack.

''We will continue the Jihad (Holy War) until all Palestine will be returned to Islam from the river to the sea,'' the Hamas leaflet said.

Since Friday night, Israeli security forces arrested approximately 900 Palestinians suspected of being Hamas activists in the Israeli- occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, Palestinian sources said.

The Oct. 8 slayings of at least 17 Palestinians by Israeli police on Islam's third holiest site in Jerusalem's Old City unleashed a wave of stabbings by Arabs against Jews.

''I think the deportations that were decided yesterday are not the last deportations,'' Defense Minister Moshe Arens said, implying more Palestinians could be deported as part of the crackdown on violence that has erupted within Israel's pre-1967 borders, which have been relatively quiet during the Palestinian uprising.

Since the start of the Palestinian uprising in December 1987, 58 Palestinians have been deported from the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, according to statistics released by the army spokesman. The last deportations took place more than a year ago.

On the possible negative political fallout after the U.S. condemnation of the deportations, Arens told Army Radio he greatly valued relations with the

United States but hoped they would understand the Israeli position.

''Also in the United States they understand that if they were faced with similar phenomena in the cities of the United States, they would also use all possible measures,'' Arens said.

Palestinian leader Faisal Husseini condemned the deportation orders and said the Palestinian leadership would demand that the United Nations and the United States pressure Israel to cancel the orders.

In recent weeks, Israeli newspapers have reported the military was leaning to more widespread use of deportations, the most severe punishment available to Israeli authorities against Palestinians in the occupied territories.

''Expulsion is not a general policy, but a measure of last resort,'' the Foreign Ministry wrote in a January briefing paper that was reissued Sunday.

Several government ministers from Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's right-wing Likud Party have voiced their support for the death penalty, including Arens and Police Minister Roni Milo. Despite the calls, Shamir said international factors also should be taken into account when one talks about taking more serious measures in the occupied territories.

''One has to see the entire picture. The people of Israel face greater dangers from the outside than a war of knives,'' Shamir said during the weekly government meeting.

Israeli authorities, invoking emergency regulations originally established under the British Mandate in 1945 to combat the Jewish rebellion, have deported approximately 1,000 Palestinians from the territories since 1967.

The four who received deportation orders Saturday night were Fadal Za'abut, 34 Ahmed Al Almi, 34, Mustafa Lidoy, 26, and Mustafa Knuah, 45, residents of Gaza City and Jabalia refugee camp, the army spokesman said. They were accused of incitement, formulating Hamas leaflets and mobilizing activists in violent operations, the army spokesman said.

While Israel's Supreme Court has never thrown out a deportation order, the four Palestinians appealed their expulsions.

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#90350u0193 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

GDANSK, Poland (DEC. 16) UPI - President-elect Lech Walesa pledged Sunday to use his office to fulfill the demands of fellow shipyard workers killed by communist police 20 years ago.

Walesa laid a wreath at a monument to fallen shipyard workers in Gdansk whose

protests over higher food prices led security forces to open fire on Dec. 16, 1970, on orders from communist leader Wladyslaw Gomulka. More than 50 were killed, according to the official count.

The deaths, which occurred as part of a wave or protests along the Baltic coast, radicalized the Polish population. They also boosted the rise of the independent Solidarity union - led by Gdansk shipyard electrician Walesa - a decade later.

''I gave speeches in this place many times - in good times and hard times,'' Walesa said at the monument of three giant crosses with intertwined anchors at their crest. ''I am with you as president-elect. I can execute the demands of those fallen in 1970.''

Walesa, who was elected Dec. 9 as the country's first directly elected president, said Poland faces difficult work in coming years to overcome the legacy of 40 years of communist rule.

''This is why I am calling on all my compatriots from this place: take things in your hands. Do not wait,'' he said. ''The president of Poland, who has been elected by your will, will do everything so that you have as few obstacles on the road to reform as possible.''

The monument was erected by shipyard workers in 1980 following the creation of Solidarity with the reluctant approval of the communist government.

Walesa then participated in a commemorative mass at the monument attended by thousands at which Gdansk Bishop Tadeusz Goclowski read out a message from the Polish-born Pope John Paul II.

''The blood of Polish workers which called for justice 20 years ago laid the foundations for a new Poland and a new order in the country,'' the pontiff's message said.

In a related development, a mission of Poland's government-in-exile, which has operated in London since the Nazi invasion in 1939, arrived in Warsaw Sunday to prepare for handing over the official insignia of Poland's pre-World War II independent government to Walesa.

The mission is led by the chairman of the Polish parliament in exile from Poland's Second (interwar) Republic, Zygmunt Szadkowski.

The government-in-exile is no longer recognized by any country, but continued to operate on grounds that the communist takeover of Poland during the war was illegal.

In what is seen as a slight to outgoing communist President Wojciech Jaruzelski, Walesa has said he will accept the official presidential insignia,

which includes a presidential banner and a handwritten constitution, from the president of the government-in-exile, Ryszard Kaczorowski, at his inauguration.

Kaczorowski, now 71, has said he would hand over the insignia only to a president elected in free elections in Poland. He will be arriving from Londono for Walesa's inauguration expected later this week.

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#90350u0201 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 16) UPI - Iraq has canceled Monday's meeting between Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and President Bush in Washington. An Iraqi spokesman says the reason is the disagreement over a date for a second meeting between Secretary of State James Baker and Saddam Hussein.

Freezing rain and snow have stung the East. Scores of automobile accidents occurred in New Jersey, Maryland and Pennsylvania. 25 cars slammed into each other in traffic heading to the New York Giants game in East Rutherford, New Jersey.

The legislature of Nicaragua has cut 25 percent from proposed military spending. This follows three weeks of debate with Sandinistas who control the military and wanted NO cuts.

South Africa has freed 27 poplitical prisoners in another move toward racial reform. A total of 90 political prisoners have not been freed since the government and African National Congress reached an accord in August.

The Moroccon government says two people were killed during a 24-hour general strike. It denies union reports 20 to 30 people were killed when police fired automatic weapons.

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#90350u0218 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (DEC. 16) UPI - A senior U.S. official Sunday ended a four-day visit during which he sought to reassure Pakistani leaders of Washington's desire to maintain close ties with its South Asian ally despite fears Islamabad is developing nuclear weapons.

U.S. Assistant Secretary of Defense Henry Rowen held talks with senior Pakistani civilian and military officials, including Army Chief of Staff Gen. Aslam Beg and Foreign Minister Yaqub Khan during his trip, a U.S. Embassy statement said.

The official ''emphasized that the United States has not changed its longstanding policy of close cooperation with Pakistan on bilateral and regional issues,'' it said.

''A strong, vigorous and self-reliant Pakistan continues to be a force for stability in South and South West Asia.''

Relations between the two longtime allies have cooled since Washington on Oct. 1 suspended aid to Pakistan because President Bush was unable to certify to Congress that Islamabad was not developing nuclear weapons.

Pakistan is the third largest recipient of U.S. assistance after Israel and Egypt and had been expecting $538 million from the United States next year as part of a six-year $4.02 billion military and economic aid package.

The government of Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, elected Oct. 24, has defiantly vowed to cut its close ties with Washington rather than allow international inspection of its nuclear facilities.

Pakistan is suspected of pushing ahead with a nuclear weapons program after the flare-up in January of a dispute with arch-rival India over the Kashmir region, which is claimed by both countries. India exploded a nuclear device in 1974.

The Embassy statement said ''the United States and Pakistan agree on the importance and desirability of regional approaches to reduce tensions in the area and as a reflection of new international realities. ''

Rowen's trip followed a four-day official visit to Pakistan earlier this month by U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Teresita Schaffer, and discussions Thursday on the nuclear issue between Foreign Minister Khan and U.S. Ambassador Robert Oakley.

Pakistan's strategic value to Washington has diminished sharply following last year's Soviet withdrawal from neighboring Afghanistan and the end of the Cold War. The United States supports the Pakistan-based Islamic guerrillas fighting the Afghan communist regime in Kabul since 1978.

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(DEC. 14) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All Times EST)

Basketball

Orlando at Portland, 10 p.m.
Indiana at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Football

Indianapolis at NY Jets, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Miami, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Phoenix at Dallas, 1 p.m.
Houston at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
San Diego at Denver, 4 p.m.
Cincinnati at LA Raiders, 4 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 8 p.m.

Golf

The Champions Senior Classic at Hyatt Dorado Beach, Puerto Rico.

Hockey

Minnesota at Chicago, 2:35 p.m.
Calgary at Vancouver, 5:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Buffalo, 7:05 p.m.
Detroit at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at Winnipeg, 8:05 p.m.

Skiing

Alta Badia, Italy - Men's World Cup giant slalom.
Meiringen, Switzerland - Women's World Cup super-giant slalom.

Tennis

Munich, Germany - Grand Slam Cup

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#90350u0231 12/16/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 16) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

President Bush is at Camp David this weekend, with NO reason to rush back to Washington. Iraq has cancelled its foreign minister's trip to Washington to meet with Bush tomorrow. A spokesman for Bush says the cancellation shows Iraq is NOT serious about negotiating with the United States in order to end the Persian Gulf crisis.

A Navy cruiser has intercepted two ships loaded with cars believed to have been stolen from Kuwait by Iraqi invaders. Military officials aboard the U-S-S

John Kennedy say Navy and Coast Guard officers boarded the ships after they left a port in Jordan and ordered the two ships to return to the port.

Wintry weather in the East is taking its toll on travelers. At least 33 people were injured yesterday when a chartered bus slid off an icy highway and plunged down an embankment near Chemung, New York, close to the Pennsylvania border. Police in New Jersey, Maryland and Pennsylvania reported scores of accidents on icy roads.

A Brooklyn gas station owner won a struggle with a would-be robber. The station owner, 24-year-old Lloyd Colbel, grabbed the would-be bandit's .357 Magnum and shot him to death. Police say the robber was shot three times. The gas station owner was NOT charged. NOR was he injured.

A San Antonio man is hospitalized with a bullet wound he suffered while trying to break up a fight among youngsters near an elementary school. Police say the man was shot in the shoulder by an assailant he said appeared to be about 12 years old.

California smog regulations became tougher last week. The state's Air Resources Board ordered manufacturers to cut emissions on small-engine machines. The board's staff has estimated that buyers will have to pay about 30-dollars more for a typical lawn mower that meets the 1994 standard.

An auction in Palm Beach today will disperse part of Donald Trump's real estate empire. Trump is expected to be on hand for the auction of 45 condominiums and townhomes at Trump Plaza. The auction at The Breakers is one of Trump's efforts to raise cash.

A University of Illinois food specialist advises people to skip a daily vitamin pill and pay more attention to eating the right fruits and vegetables. Dawn Hentges of the university's Cooperative Extension Service says vitamins ought to supplement the diet- NOT replace it.

The Los Angeles Film Critics Association has voted Martin Scorsese and his film ''Goodfellas'' the best director and best picture of the year. Anjelica Huston won best actress honors for two roles- in ''The Grifters'' and ''The Witches.'' Jeremy Irons was voted best actor for his role in ''Reversal of Fortune.''

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#90350u0253 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

AMARILLO, Texas (DEC. 16) UPI - Two young sisters taking a bath were electrocuted when a lamp sitting on a table fell into their tub, police said.

Jordan Burkham, 4, and Hailey Hill, 2, were pronounced dead on arrival at a hospital after the Saturday night accident, police said.

The girls' mother told police officers the lamp had been placed in the bathroom because a ceiling light was not working.

Investigators say the mother had left her children in the care of a boyfriend while she ran an errand.

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#90350u0332 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 16) UPI - While studiously avoiding the word ''recession,'' Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady acknowledged Sunday what all the government's numbers have been showing - that the nation's economy is in a ''significant slowdown.''

But Brady said a recession is ''no big deal'' and this one will be short - over in less than a year.

He did, however, call on the Federal Reserve Board to lower interest rates to spur economic activity and bring the nation more quickly out of the downturn.

Brady made his comments on NBC's ''Meet the Press.''

''I've been a little slow to declare 'national recession day,''' Brady said. ''But its quite clear - there's no point in being unrealistic - that we're going to have a significant economic slowdown in the fourth quarter of this year.

''I expect that that will continue into the first quarter of next year. We don't know how much, but we expect that during 1991 it will turn around and we will be back on the growth path (of) jobs and investment during that year.''

He did say, however, ''there is ample room for a further reduction'' in interest rates and said he hoped the Federal Reserve Board - which is scheduled to meet Tuesday - would take note of both a recession and the budget agreement worked out between Congress and the White House in the fall as reasons for an interest rate reduction.

Brady also said the economy is beginning to feel the effects of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Private anlaysts have said the severity of the recession could depend on how quickly the gulf situation is resolved, but Brady said he ''has never heard the economy discussed as any kind of incentive'' to action among top administration officials.

Michael Boskin, chairman of Bush's Council of Economic Advisers, interviewed on ABC's ''Issues and Answers,'' also said it is likely the recession will be

''mild and brief.''

He said he expects the federal reserve to lower rates but shied away from urging such a course. ''I like to conduct my business with the Fed in private '' he said.

All analysts, however, seemed concerned that the current economic troubles could be aggravated by the fragile system of the nation's banking and financial institutions.

William Seidman, chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, has estimated that the FDIC - which insures bank customers against losses - will lose $4 billion this year.

On Monday, a report expected to be made public at a House banking committee will predict losses even more glum - more than $60 billion in the next five years.

But Seidman, also appearing on ''Meet the Press,'' brushed the report off, saying, ''I don't take seriously'' reports that project that far into the future.

He said the government is seeking ways to buttress the banking industry, where some 1,000 banks are on the list of troubled institutions the FDIC is worried about.

The costs of such aid, he said, will largely be borne by the industry only and even in a worst-case scenario of $60 billion in losses, ''only a small additional amount'' would be needed to be borrowed from the governmnet.

Asked what the Bush administration planned to do about getting the nation out of the recession, Brady offered few plans other the budget agreement and the hoped for reduction in interest rates by the Federal Reserve.

Then, he said, ''the natural strength'' of the economy would take up the slack and ''economic activity (would) return and we'll be back on our feet sometime in the next year.''

But he also indicated Bush will be given additional options in the new budget for fiscal year 1992 that will be presented early next year but he refused to discuss them ''before the president has had a chance to look at them.''

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#90350u0365 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 16) UPI - Prosecutors in the John Gotti case said they will go to court this week armed with tapes in their bid to keep the reputed mob kingpin in jail until his racketeering trial.

Assistant U.S. Attorney John Gleason hinted on Friday that the tapes would contain at least some potentially provocative material.

An attorney in the office of Gotti defense lawyer Bruce Cutler said Sunday lawyers spent the weekend reviewing the contents of the tapes.

But the lawyer, who declined to identify herself, wouldn't comment on the material or say whether Cutler would ask a judge to keep the tapes sealed in U.S. District Court in Brooklyn.

Gleason and his associates hope the tapes will convince the court that Gotti and his co-defendants are a danger to the community, and should be locked up until their trial is held. Prosecutors said they will go to court Monday with the tapes.

Gotti and two alleged high-ranking members of the Gambino crime family have been kept at the Metropolitan Correctional Center since their arrests last Tuesday.

Only Thomas Gambino - son of Carlo Gambino, the late founder of the powerful crime family - has been allowed free on $500,000 personal recognizance bond.

All three face charges of racketeering murder, loan-sharking, gambling, tax evasion and obstruction of justice in a wide-ranging case compiled by law enforcement authorities in Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens.

Gotti himself is linked to four killings - including the 1985 ''hit'' of Paul Castellano, whose slaying in front of a Manhattan steakhouse cleared the way for his takeover of the crime family, the government charged.

Gotti has eluded three separate efforts by state and federal authorities over the past five years to jail him, legal successes that earned him the press moniker of the ''Teflon Don.''

But the federal case in Brooklyn is the first to link him to murders, and FBI officials last week boasted his arrest and that of three associates marked the first time the entire hierarchy of an organized crime family was ''taken down.''

The indictment filed in Brooklyn last Tuesday charges that Gotti ordered the slayings of Castellano, his top lieutenant, Thomas Bilotti and another Gambino capo, Robert ''Dee Bee'' DiBernardo.

Two other charges contained in the indictment and naming Gotti were for the slaying of mobster Liborio Milito, as well as conspiracy to kill Gaetano ''the Big Guy'' Vastola, currently on bail pending appeal of some racketeering and narcotics convictions in New Jersey.

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#90350u0366 12/16/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 16) UPI - C O R R E C T I O N:
First item, correcting Iraqi

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#90350u0378 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (DEC. 16) UPI - Thousands of Haitians outraged over disorganization in Sunday's general election demonstrated in the streets of poor neighborhoods where voting stations were late in opening amid mysterious shortages of ballots and ballot boxes, reports said.

Some 2.7 million people were eligible to vote for president, a two- chamber National Assembly and hundreds of local officials amid heavy security against fears of violence at some 16,000 polling stations.

Sunday's election was the third attempted in four years as the poor Caribbean nation seeks democracy in the wake of the 29-year Duvalier dictatorship that ended in February 1986 - when Jean-Claude ''Baby Doc'' Duvalier fled to France.

In wealthy neighborhoods such as Petion Ville, where U.S.-backed Mark Barzin is favored among 11 presidential candidates, polls opened on time at 6 a.m. and all materials were available.

But in City Soleil, a slum on the western side of the capital seen as a stronghold for fiery presidential candidate and priest Jean-Bertrand Aristide, voting stations remained without ballots, boxes and ink six hours after polls were to open, radio reports said.

Radio and television reported that some 5,000 to 6,000 people had taken to City Soleil streets in protest as leading candidates called for calm in a televised appeal.

''City Soleil is getting really hot,'' said Pierre Cote, chief of the Organization of American States' observer team. Cote said he ordered all OAS observers to leave the area.

Haiti's last elections in November 1987 were canceled when thugs attacked voters, leaving at least 34 dead. Earlier this month, a grenade attack at a rally for Aristide left some seven people dead.

But radio reports said Sunday's demonstrations were peaceful and police calmed the situation in the poor district of the capital, where streets were painted with graffiti in the Creole language and star-like voodoo good-luck symbols.

The Electoral Council said mid-Sunday they would extend voting hours beyond the scheduled 6 p.m. close to allow everybody to vote.

Security forces were refusing to respect press credentials issued by the Electoral Council. A United Press International reporter and two Canadian

radio reporters were held for more than an hour at the headquarters of the Port-au-Prince traffic police, a few blocks from the City Soleil district.

The journalists' driver was arrested and remained in custody.

Radio stations reported incidents of fraud in pro-Aristide areas and in the countryside, saying voters have been supplied with pencils instead of pens to mark their ballots with an ''X'' - before their thumbs are dipped in ink as proof of voting.

OAS observers said election boxes had disappeared or were not being used in the capital. One station in a pro-Aristide neighborhood opened at 11 a.m. and dozens of voters rushed the gates, screaming obscenities.

A voter at another voting station in the capital turned away from the booth, threw up his arms and said, ''This is fixed. This is not an election.''

U.S. Embassy observer Daphne Titus said, ''We had some ballots, but nowhere near enough. We don't have ink either.''

Cote said ''there was a shortage of vehicles to distribute materials'' in the capital, where some voting stations lacked ballot boxes for the congressional and local candidates, but did have boxes for the presidential vote.

Aristide voted at 11 a.m. and left the polling station holding up his ink-stained thumb to a cheering crowd.

Aristide, 37, a priest expelled from the Catholic Salesian order in 1988 for his populist political activities, has drawn huge support from rural voters. Contender Bazin is a former World Bank economist whose support comes mainly from Haiti's middle class and the far right.

On Feb. 7, the winner will succeed Interim President Ertha Pascal- Trouillot, a supreme court judge who has led the country since March.

Because of Haiti's high illiteracy rate, names on the Sunday's ballot were accompanied by a picture of the candidates and their party symbols. Aristide was using a rooster to symbolize his populist coalition.

Haiti, which shares the island of Hispaniola with the Dominican Republic, is one of the poorest countries in the Western Hemisphere.

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#90350u0386 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 16) UPI - Iraq has called off tomorrow's meeting between Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and President Bush. The reason is the inability of the two nations to agree on a date for a follow-up talk between Saddam Hussein and

Secretary of State James Baker.

Eight people were killed in the Philippines today when their jeep hit an oncoming bus. Police say their speeding vehicle lost the two front wheels and slammed into the bus.

Officials in southeast Texas are investigating the crash of an Army helicopter. Three people were killed. Because of heavy brush and bad weather, it was seven hours before the helicopter could be found.

Doctors in Mount Vernon, Missouri, have removed a feeding tube from a woman who has been in a vegetative state since a 1983 automobile accident. Her family obtained a court order to let her die.

Authorities in southern India have conducted a crackdown against supporters of the Tamil separatist movement in Sri Lanka. 167 people have been arrested in two days.

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#90350u0388 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 16) UPI - The Congress of People's Deputies, Mikhail Gorbachev's handmaiden that gave birth to a new parliament and a new presidency, gathers Monday to revamp the government and dump Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov.

But deputies from five republics, including the three Baltic states, will either totally boycott or participate only in those parts of the 10-day conclave that do not involve Gorbachev's proposed Union Treaty to keep the Soviet Union together.

Because of the boycotts, slightly fewer than the 2,250 deputies elected in 1988 in Gorbachev's first reform to democratize the Soviet Union will attend the heated congress, the fourth in less than two years.

In the first Congress in May 1989, the deputies chose from their ranks a standing Parliament of 542 members, the second congress in December 1989 approved a multiparty system, and the third last March created the new executive presidency and elected Gorbachev to the post.

In the past, deputies representing every major territorial district in the vast nation assailed Gorbachev for dictatorial and sly methods, but then approved every reform he requested, often denouncing him as they voted yes.

The present conclave will be asked to create the new post of vice president and hold elections to the post. It will also elect at least 180 new members to the standing Parliament, or Supreme Soviet, under a rotation system where one-third of the body must be renewed every two years.

The most heated topic will be the debate on Gorbachev's new Union Treaty that is to remake the Soviet Union into a union of sovereign states and replace the 1922 pact that has made the 15 republics virtual vassals of Moscow.

''The debates on the treaty will be feverish, and reduced to a common denominator, you can say it is the 'Soviet Union - to be or not to be,''' the daily Pravda Communist Party newspaper said Sunday.

''Deputies from Georgia, Armenia and Lithuania intend to refrain from participation in the work of the Congress, while representatives of Estonian and Latvia will participate only in the initital stages when the general situation in the country will be discussed,'' Tass said.

At best the Congress can give Gorbachev only a moral vote of support on the union compact, because the ultimate decision rests with the parliaments of the 15 republics either to join a revamped Soviet Union or become totally independent and secede.

In what promises to be the most substantive shakeup, the Congress deputies will vote on Gorbachev's plan to replace the unwieldy Council of Ministers of some 65 members with a smaller cabinet responsible to him.

The government reform demanded by Gorbachev giving him direct control over all ministries will all but eliminate Ryzhkov's job as premier after five years in the post in which he was once considered Gorbachev's right-hand man and chief troubleshooter.

Ryzhkov, officially the head of the Council of Ministers, has steadfastly refused to resign, maintaining only the Congress can force his ouster because revamping the government is a constitutional question.

But Tass said last week ''Ryzhkov will resign,'' and speculated that two contenders to replace him will be Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and Arkady Volsky. Volsky is a no-nonsense administrator who ran the disputed, mostly Armenian enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh inside the mainly Moslem republic of Azerbaijan for Gorbachev.

The first Congress in May 1989 riveted the attention of the country because of confrontations between then deputy Boris Yeltsin and conservative stalwart Yegor Ligachev. Yeltsin has since become president of the giant Russsian republic, while Ligachev has been stripped of all his Communist Party posts.

But people's interest in the political scene including the present Congress has flagged because of the daily hunt required for food and goods before they disappear.

''The mood of the people is generally apathetic,'' said poet and People's Deputy Evgeny Yevtushenko.

Pravda added, ''People are more interested in not who is in power, but how this power provides them with food and clothing.''

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#90350u0425 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 16) UPI - President Bush's spokesman says Iraq's cancelation of Foreign Minister Tariq Azia' trip to Washington shows Iraq is NOT serious about talks with the United States. Iraq canceled a tentative meeting tomorrow between Aziz and Bush. Spokesman John Herrick called the Iraqi announcement a sign of- in his words- ''the Iraqi unwillingness to deal seriously with the issue.''

The Senate Ethics Committee held an unusual Saturday session to hear again from James Grogan, a former business associate of savings and loan operator Charles Keating. Grogan testified Keating's donation of more than one-Million dollars in campaign contributions to five senators gave the ''appearance of impropriety.'' But he defended Keating, saying he demanded NO action in return for the money.

Philippines President Corazon Aquino has accepted the resignation of her controversial trade secretary, Jose Concepcion. Critics said Concepcion used the office to get loans for a food company operated by his company. Aquino said the charges were NOT true. But she acknowledged she was yielding to demands from the critics.

Former President Jimmy Carter says he is NOT worried about violence during elections today in Haiti. Carter is in Haiti as leader of a delegation of observers. He said Interim President Ertha Pascal- Trouillot had brought democratic elections to Haiti. In Haiti's last attempts at free elections, 34 people were killed in attacks on polling stations.

A suspect in the bombing deaths of a federal judge and a civil rights lawyer has been convicted in a separate case of bomb possession. Walter Moody Jr. was convicted in Brunswick, Georgia, and could be sentenced to 69 years in prison. Moody is a suspect in the two bombings deaths last December. Both victims were killed by pipe bombs that were sent to them through the mail.

Government workers in the Asian nation of Nepal held an unprecedented three-hour strike today to demand higher pay. Organizers say the strikers wore black armbands. About 136-thousand civil servants took part in ehe strike. They say they will stage other peaceful protests until Friday and then begin street demonstrations if the government does NOT grant their demands.

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#90350u0473 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 16) UPI - Hope is dimming for high-level talks between Iraq and the

United States. Iraq has cancelled tomorrow's meeting between Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and President Bush.

The New York Times says an Islamic fundamentalist linked to Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's assassination is living in Brooklyn. He is Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman, who was discovered by detectives investigating Rabbi Meir Kahane's killing.

A Brazilian court has convicted a cattle rancher of the 1988 murder of Francisco Mendes, a labor leader and environmentalist. Each was sentenced to 19 years in prison. Mendes had led efforts to preserve the Amazon jungle.

The Moroccan government says two people were killed in rioting in the city of Fes in connection with a general strike. They were a demonstrator and a police officer. Moroccos denies claims 20 to 30 people were killed.

''Goodfellas'' has been named best picture of the year by the Los Angeles Film Critics Association. Its director, Martin Scorsese, is the best director. Jeremy Irons is best actor and Anjilica Huston best actress.

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#90350u0513 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 16) UPI - Efforts to bring about high-level meetings between Iraq and the United States appear to have collapsed. Iraq has cancelled a plan for a meeting in Washington tomorrow between Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and President Bush. Bush's spokesman said the cancellation shows Iraq is NOT willing to deal seriously with the issue. Washington and Baghdad have NOT been able to agree on a date for the second phase of the talks- to be held in Iraq between President Saddam Hussein and Secretary of State James Baker.

The New York Times reports a leading Islamic fundmentalist linked to the assassination of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat is in the United States illegally and living in Brooklyn. He is Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman who is described as 53, blind and in bad health. The newspaper said detectives investigating the assassination of Rabbi Meir Kahane discovered Abdel-Rahman. Abdel-Rahman was tried in Egypt on charges of inciting Sadat's killing, but released for lack of evidence.

Nicaragua's National Assembly has cut the proposed military budget by 25 percent. Sandinistas who control the military had argued for NO reductions. But a coalition of parties that helped elect the new president complained Nicaragua should cut military spending in peace- time. They want more money spent for education.

A cattle rancher and his son were convicted in Brazil today of the murder of labor leader and environmentalist Francisco ''Chico'' Mendes in 1988. Mendes led rubber workers in efforts to preserve the Amazon jungle. The defendants

were both sentenced to 19 years in prison.

Morocco's government acknowledges that two people have been killed in a 24-hour general strike. One demonstrators and one police officer were killed in the city of Fes. 127 people were injured in rioting. The government denied union reports that 20 to 30 people were killed in Fes when security forces opened fire on demonstrators.

An official Chinese newspaper says 16 people have been executed in Beijing in the past week. They were condemned for what the newspaper calls ''severe criminals acts'' which were NOT specified. The newspaper says 12 of the offenders were repeat offenders. China has executed hundreds of people this year in an anti-crime campaign.

''Goodfellas'' has been voted best picture of the year by the Los Angeles Film Critics Association. Its director, Martin Scorsese, was named best director. Jeremy Irons, who starred in ''Reversal of Fortune, '' was voted best actor. Anjilica Huston of ''The Grifters'' and ''The Witches'' is best actress. The association consists of 36 movie critics for both print and broadcasting media.

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#90350u0539 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 16) UPI - Families of 12 people who died during a ritualistic prayer gathering and doctors treating survivors are skepical that the deaths and injuries were accidental, it was reported Sunday.

''Put down that justice needs to be done here, that someone is to blame and that somehow those of us who did not die will find an answer,'' Fidel Mondragon, 61, told the Los Angeles Times.

Mondragon's son-in-law and two grandchildren were among the 12 people who were found dead in the four-room house in the poor Tijuana neighorhood known as Colonia Mariano Matamoros after a religious ceremony Wednesday night.

Tijuana coroner's officials declared Friday that preliminary autopsies showed that the 12 had died of carbon monoxide poisoning stemming from a malfunctioning butane latern.

Doctors treating six survivors of the incident also told the newspaper that they doubted the official cause of death. They said two survivors may have been bruised or beaten during the evening rite. Others, the doctors said, suffered unexplained burns.

''As a doctor, it's hard for me to accept carbon monoxide poisoning as the exclusive explanation,'' said Dr. Ariel Perez Munoz, director of Social Security Clinic 20, a public hospital.

He suggested that a combination of factors - including carbon monoxide poisoning, methathol possibly ingested during the ceremony and perhaps another poison - most likely caused the tragedy.

Blood samples have been turned over the San Diego Medical Examiner, but Perez Munoz said they may be inconclusive because the victims were found hours after they were overcome.

''I feel that we are never going to find an explanation of exactly what occurred,'' Perez Munoz said.

While the survivors could offer some answers, three - including the sect's 61-year-old self-styled leader, Federico Padres Mexia - are in irreversible comas. Another is an 8-month-old child and two others are semi-coherent.

One was able to speak Saturday, telling a reporter, ''I was beaten,'' before sitting up and pulling his shirt over his head. The other had a cut on his face and bruises on his shoulder, but could not remember how he got them, only recalling how several people got sick and started screaming before all lost consciousness.

That survivor, Alfredo Osuna Hernandez, 22, said no one sought help because Mexia had told them that leaving the large rope circle in which they were seated would be ''harmful.''

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#90350u0581 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 16) UPI - President Bush returned to the White House from the Camp David retreat in the Maryland mountains this morning but waved off questions from reporters about the proposed high-level talks with Iraq. The White House also declined comment this morning on the Iraqi statement reaffirming its determination to maintain control of Kuwait. Iraq also announced it was canceling the proposed meeting tomorrow between Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and President Bush.

A U-S source in Beijing says the United States has made several high-level requests that China safeguard the rights of an overseas Chinese student who returned to seek justice for a pro- democracy leader. The source says the show of concern is extraordinary and centers on 31-year-old Ge Xun, a Texas A-and-M doctoral candidate. He flew back to China to demand a ''fair and open'' trial for a dissident accused of sedition in last year's pro-democracy movement.

Angolan rebel leader Jonas Savimbi says that Soviet pressure on the Marxist government in Angola remains the key to peace talks and cease-fire proposals in the 15-year-old civil war. Leaders of both sides in the war met with American and Soviet officials in Washington, D-C, on Thursday. Savimbi told United Press International yesterday that the talks brought Angola closer to a

cease-fire, which he expects to be signed by March 1991.

A senior German official says that about one-third of the work force in eastern Germany will be without jobs within six months. In a newspaper interview, the head of the employment agency responsible for the region said at least three-Million people will be witout jobs. The total work force in eastern Germany is estimated at nine-Million.

Police in Amarillo, Texas, say two young sisters were electrocuted last night when a lamp placed on a nearby table fell into their water- filled bathtub. Police say four-year-old Jordan Burkham and two-year-old Hailey Hill were pronounced dead on a arrival at a nearby hospital. The children's mother told police that the lamp had been placed in the bathroom because a ceiling light was NOT working properly.

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#90350u0655 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 16) UPI - U-S senators visiting the Persian Gulf region are meeting with Arab leaders today in an effort to restore diplomatic channels in the face of the apparent collapse of proposed high-level meetings between Iraq and the United States. Iraq has canceled a proposed Washington meeting tomorrow.

President Bush waved off questions from reporters about the situation when he arrived back at the White House this morning from the Camp David retreat in the Maryland mountains. In Cairo, a seven-member U-S Senate delegation was meeting with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Official sources in Rio de Janeiro say a rancher and his son were convicted today of killing labor leader and environmentalist ''Chico'' Mendes, in a case that focused world attention on the survival of the Amazon. The sources say the judge in the case sentenced each man to 19 years in prison in the slaying.

Radio reports reaching Thailand say the leaders of the Vietnamese- backed government in Cambodia and the strongest resistance faction have agreed to attend a new round of peace talks in Paris. The reports says both sides have agreed to attend Paris talks on December 20th and 21st.

The official Cambodian radio says resistance forces fired thousands of artillery shells on government positions in the last week. The broadcast also said the resistance forces suffered more than 100 killed in counter-attacks by the Vietnamese-backed troops.

The Justice Ministry in Johannesburg announced that 27 political prisoners were released from prison yesterday. A spokesman says the latest releases put at more than 90 the number of prisoners freed since the white-minority government struck a deal with the African National Congress to speed up racial reform.

The U-S Embassy in Islamabad says Assistant Defense Secretary Henry Rowen assured Pakistani leaders of the U-S desire to continue close ties with its South Asian ally, despite fears it is developing nuclear weapons. Rowen completed an official four-day visit to Pakistan.

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#90350u0722 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 16) UPI - A congressional delegation is in Cairo today for a meeting with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in the midst of what appears to be a collapse of a proposal for high-level U-S-Iraqi contacts. Iraq has canceled its foreign minister's trip to Washington, D-C, tomorrow because there is NO agreement on a date for Secretary of State Baker to visit Baghdad.

Reporters tried to question President Bush about the situation this morning when he returned to the White House from the mountain-top retreat at Camp David. But the president waved off their questions, and the White House declined comment on an Iraqi statement reaffirming its intention to maintain control of Kuwait.

Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens indicated today that deportation orders for four Palestinians could be the start of harsher measures to quell increasing Arab violence in Israel. The four Palestinians were among hundreds arrested as suspected members of an outlawed Islamic group. In a leaflet being distributed today, the Islamic group praises the fatal stabbings of three Jews on Friday.

Judicial sources in Rio de Janeiro say the conviction of a rancher and his son in the slaying of an environmentalist labor union leader may be a first for Brazil. They say it is believed to be the first time a land-owner was convicted of killing a labor leader. The two were sentenced to 19 years in prison for killing Francisco ''Chico'' Mendes, who led rubber-tappers in efforts to preserve the Amazon rain forests.

President-elect Lech Walesa pledged today to use his office to carry out the demands of fellow shipyard workers killed by communist police in Poland 20 years ago. Walesa laid a wreath at a monument to the workers, who died when police opened fire during protests against higher food prices on December 16th 1970. The deaths came during a wave of protests along the Baltic coast that radicalized the Polish population.

Voters in Haiti today confronted a shortage of ballots and ballot boxes in the capital city, though reports indicated that vote problems were NOT major in rural areas. About two-point-seven-Million people are eligible to vote in the election, which is to pick hundreds of local officials amid heavy security at about 16-thousand polling stations. An Organization of American States observer said problems in the capital were caused by a shortage of vehicles to

distribute the materials.

The Los Angeles Film Critics Association last night named the gangster film ''Goodfellas'' as the best picture of 1990. The awards are seen as a harbinger of the Academy Awards. The critics named ''Goodfellas'' director Martin Scorsese as the year's ''best,'' and honored Jeremy Irons as best actor and Anjelica Huston as best actress. The critics say Scorsese's honors edged by one vote Kevin Costner and ''Dances with Wolves.'' Costner directed and starred in the film.

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#90350u0923 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 16) UPI - President Bush and the White House declined comment today on whether the proposed top-level talks with Iraq were dead. The Iraqis have canceled the meeting proposed for tomorrow between Bush and Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. The two nations have NOT agreed on a date for Secretary of State Baker to meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

U-S senators visiting the Mideast are in Cairo for a meeting with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. And Algerian President Chadli Benjedid also arrived in Cairo on his mission to encourage Arab dialogue about the Persian Gulf crisis.

Reports in Port-au-Prince say thousands of Haitians outraged over disorganization in today's national election demonstrated in the streets of poor neighborhoods, amid shortages of ballots and ballot boxes. Heavy security was in place because of fears that violence might erupt at some 16-thousand polling stations.

The African National Congress ended a historic conference in Johannesburg by threatening to suspend its talks with the white-minority government. A resolution adopted at the A-N-C congress says the talks will be halted unless the government meets racial reform obligations by April 30th.

Treasury Secretary Brady studiously avoided using the word ''recession'' today in telling broadcast interviewers that the nation's economy is in what he termed ''a significant slowdown.'' And Brady said a recession would be- his words now- ''NO big deal'' because it will be short... less than a year.

The woman who posed as the spinster farm daughter in the famous ''American Gothic'' painting by Grant Wood has died. Nan Wood Graham was 91. She was a widow who had devoted her life to keeping a history of the 1930 painting and protecting it against various plagiarisms.

It was wedding bells this weekend for rock star Rod Stewart. The 45- year-old singer married 21-year-old girlfriend Rachel Hunter, a model from New Zealand. Stewart is known for such songs as ''Tonight's the Night'' and ''Da Ya Think

I'm Sexy'' and has planned an 18-month tour overseas.

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#90350u1076 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 17) UPI - Trans World Airlines Sunday renewed its bid to take over financially ailing Pan Am, while at the same time announcing the $515 million sale of six of its United States-London air routes and other assets to American Airlines.

TWA's latest takeover offer would provide $1.50 in cash, plus $1 either in preferred stock or a promissory note, for each share of Pan Am's common stock, said Don Morrison, a TWA spokesman.

In November, TWA offered $1 in cash and $2 in stock or notes for each share of Pan Am stock in a deal theoretically worth $450 million. Analysts were skeptical of the TWA proposal because of the low cash offering.

As TWA was pressing its offer last month, debt-plagued Pan Am was moving ahead with a deal to raise cash by selling most of its United States-London routes to United Airlines for $400 million.

Morrison asserted that TWA's latest offer for New York-based Pan Am was an improvement over last month's bid because ''with the sale of the routes, Pan Am now has fewer assets.''

In a letter sent Sunday to Pan Am Chairman Thomas Plaskett, TWA Chairman Carl Icahn wrote, ''Although you have executed definitive agreements with United, I continue to believe that in these extremely complicated and troubled times for the airline industry, a combination of TWA and Pan Am might offer both of us the opportunity to compete with the three major U.S. airlines.''

In the letter, Icahn stated the offer would remain firm until Dec. 21 and urged Plaskett to meet with him to discuss the renewed bid.

Morrison said the routes and facilities agreements would give Fort Worth-based American Airlines TWA's former routes between London's Heathrow Airport and Boston, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, and New York- Newark. It also gives American Airlines routes between Gatwick Airport and St. Louis and Baltimore-Washington,

The routes agreement, worth $445 million, is subject to Department of Transportation approval, he said.

Referring to his decision to sell the London routes, Icahn said, ''While I have been reluctant to part with TWA's London authorities, it should be noted that over the last two years earnings from these routes have seriously deteriorated and, with the new competition from United, these earnings will

almost certainly continue to erode.''

In a separately drawn $70 million agreement, New York-based TWA agreed to sell to American gates and other facilities at Chicago's O'Hare Airport; gates at airports in Orlando, Fl. and Nashville, Tenn.; counter space at the Fort Lauderdale Airport, and unspecified facilities at Philadelphia's airport, Morrison said.

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#90350u1124 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 16) UPI - The official Iraq News Agency says the nation's deputy premier met with a group referred to as the ''American-Iraqi Cultural Society'' in Baghdad. The report quotes the Iraqi official as saying that Iraq alone has the right to set a date for Secretary of State Baker to meet President Saddam Hussein. Yet, he reportedly said Iraq still wants the talks.

Earlier, President Bush waved off reporter questions about the Persian Gulf developments.

Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell told reporters in Cairo that Saddam made what he termed a ''serious miscalculation'' in sticking with unacceptable dates for the high-level talks.

A Los Angeles report says families of the 12 people who died during a ritualistic prayer gathering in Tijuana, Mexico, are skeptical that the deaths were accidental. Doctors treating the survivors of the incident also say they skeptical.

Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens indicated today that the deportation of four Palestinians could be the beginning of sterner measures to quell increasing Arab violence. The four were among hundreds of Palestinians arrested by security forces in Israel.

Thousands of outraged Haitians took to the streets of a slum area west of the capital city today to protest a lack of voting materials for the nation's presidential election today. It's the third attemp to democratically elect a government in four years in Haiti.

Treasury Secretary Brady says the economy is in what he called a ''significant slowdown.'' But Brady steadfastly avoided using the word ''recession'' in a broadcast interview today.

Amnesty International says it will file a petition to try to block the execution of a man condemned to die for the 1977 murder of a cab driver who was robbed of 16 dollars and dumped into a watery pit. The international human rights group says Christopher Burger suffered brain damage from numerous beatings during his childhood.

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#90350u1210 12/16/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 16) UPI - The deputy premier of Iraq is quoted as saying that his nation alone has the right to set the date for a meeting between President Saddam Hussein and Secretary of State Baker. But Iraq is insisting on January 12th for the meeting... a date President Bush has rejected.

U-S senators headed by Majority Leader George Mitchell are in Cairo for a meeting with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. Mitchell told reporters that Saddam miscalculated with his attempt to unilaterally declare the dates of top-level talks.

Pope John Paul today urged Central American presidents at a summit meeting in Costa Rica to make concrete advances toward peace and freedom. The presidents are gathered for their ninth summit to discuss economic matters and ways to end regional civil wars in El Salvador and Guatemala.

A jury Brazil today convicted a rancher and his son of killing a union leader and environmentalist who led a campaign to save the Amazon rain forests. The judge sentenced the two to 19 years in prison each.

Algerian President Chadli Benjedid stopped briefly in Beirut today in the first such diplomatic gesture to the war-wracked nation in more than seven years. Benjedid is on a mission to the Mideast to promote an Arab dialogue on the Persian Gulf crisis.

Thousands of people poured into the streets in a slum area west of the Haitian capital city to protest irregularities in their polling places for the third presidential election in four years in Haiti.

The U-S Postal Service expects approval of its largest rate increase ever when the Postal Rate Commission meets on January 4th. Business mailers say the rate hikes will cost consumers a lot more than just the five-cent increase in a first-class stamp.

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#90350u1330 12/16/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 16) UPI - The official Iraq News Agency reports that the deputy premier of Iraq reiterated today that his nation alone will set the date for top-level talks with Secretary of State Baker on the Persian Gulf crisis. The remark underscored the apparent collapse of the move by President Bush to ''go the extra mile'' for a peaceful solution of the crisis.

In Cairo, Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell says he feels Iraqi President Saddam Hussein miscalculated badly in adopting an intransigent attitude toward

the meetings. Mitchell is leading a group of U-S senators on a tour of the Mideast.

Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Arens indicated today that tougher measures may be coming in the attempt to quell mounting Arab violence in Israel. Arens indicated that the deportation of four Palestinians could be the start of a new move against the violence outbreak. Israeli security forces arrested about 900 Palestinians during the weekend on suspicion of membership in an outlawed Islamic group.

The black nationalist African National Congress is threatening to break off negotiations with the white-minority government of South Africa unless it meets racial reform obligations by April 30th. The A-N- C issued the threat in a resolution adopted this weekend at a conference that reportedly also featured criticism of Nelson Mandela and other aging leaders.

The human rights group Amnesty International says it is going to try to stop the execution of Christopher Burger, who was condemned to death for the 1977 murder of a cab driver in a 16-dollar robbery. The group says it will petition the state of Georgia to stop the electrocution because the jury that convicted Burger was NOT aware that he suffered brain damage from numerous childhood beatings.

Chicago police say a 17-year-old was killed last night in a shooting that involved a professional sports team jacket. Police say Uland Tiggs was stopped by two men who demanded his New Orleans Saints starter jacket and his money. They say Tiggs turned over the jacket and said he had NO money. Police reported that after a brief conversation, one of the robbers pulled a gun and shot Tiggs at least seven times. NO arrests have been made.

The 24 members of the International Association of Custom Tailors and Designers Incorporated put Prince Charles of Britain and Soviet President Gorbachev on their list of best-dressed men. Also making the list are former President Reagan... Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney... singer Frank Sinatra, and actor Douglas Fairbanks Junior, among others.

Faltering real estate tycoon Donald Trump was dumped from the list this year, even though his tailor cited him for what he termed a ''well- rounded wardrobe.'' But the tailor also had a message for Trump about what he called ''a pile of hair in back of his neck....'' In other words, Donald, get a haircut.

Others who MADE the list include... Italian film star Marcello Mastroianni... syndicated newspaper columnist Irv Kupcinet... Chicago Flair Communications President Lee Flaherty... and G. Leblanc Corporation President Vita Pascucci, a musical instrument manufacturer with offices in Kenosha, Wisconsin, and Paris.

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#90350u1387 12/16/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 16) UPI - A delegation of U-S senators and Arab officials met in Egypt today in a bid to restore diplomatic channels as hopes dimmed for U-S-proposed high-level peace talks to end the Persian Gulf standoff. Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell of Maine, who led the delegation, said in Cairo that he's disappointed Iraq has canceled the talks. He told reporters- quoting- ''We believe that this missed opportunity is a serious miscalculation by President Saddam Hussein in this crisis.''

Meanwhile, Iraq says it still wants dialogue with Washington, but insists it has the right to set meeting dates for the Iraqi-U-S talks. Baghdad yesterday canceled a tentative meeting in Washington tomorrow between its envoy and President Bush.

Ballot shortages and the late opening of some polling stations today marred Haiti's general elections. Some polling stations opened more than seven hours late. The problems triggered brief street demonstrations but security was heavy and there were NO reports of violence. The election was the third attempted in four years in the Caribbean nation's quest for democracy since the 29-year Duvalier dictatorship collapsed in February 1986.

A survey released today in New York says most Americans are in favor of raising taxes to help clean up the environment. The survey reports that 70 percent of those questioned said they'd be willing to pay an additional 200-dollars a year in taxes earmarked for environmental projects. But the survey also found that many people... 80 percent... are confused over how to deal with the messy problem.

The Justice Department reports the number of people convicted of drug trafficking charges in state court jumped 50 percent in just two years. A Bureau of Justice Statistics study also found that 41 percent of the drug traffickers convicted in 1988 were sentenced to serve time in state prison. That's up from 37 percent two years earlier. Bureau Director Steven Dillingham notes 185-thousand adults were arrested in 1986 for serious drug trafficking offenses. By 1988, Dillingham says the number of these arrests reached almost 290-thousand.

Bargainers hunters today snatched up 35 of Donald Trump's luxury condominiums at an auction in Florida. The auction of the developer's Trump Plaza of the Palm Beaches brought in more than eight-Million dollars in a little more than two hours. The auction was ordered by the beleaguered tycoon's lenders. The top draw was a 32nd floor penthouse that went for 720-thousand dollars... down from the original asking price of one-point-eight-Million. The lowest successful bid of the day was a 300-thousanddollar condo that went for 180-thousand.

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#90350u1535 12/16/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 16) UPI - A delegation of U-S senators met with Arab officials in the Egyptian capital today in a bid to restore diplomatic channels amid the apparent collapse of proposed Iraqi-U-S talks. Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell says Saddam Hussein's cancellation of the talks is a ''serious miscalculation.''

Iraqi ministry officials today reportedly discussed emergency plans and degrees of preparedness. The official Iraqi news agency INA says the meeting in Baghdad was aimed at countering foreign threats against Iraq.

Former President Jimmy Carter toured Haiti's capital today as the poor Caribbean nation held general elections in its third quest in four years for democracy. Carter was an observer at a polling station that was the site of bloody election violence in November 1987.

Romania's defense minister today admitted that soldiers under his command fired on civilians in Timisoara during the revolution last December that toppled the communist regime of President Nicolae Ceausescu.

The New York Times reports an Islamic fundamentalist once linked to the assassination of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat was found living in a Brooklyn mosque where the suspect in the murder of Israeli militant Rabbi Meir Kahane worshiped.

The paper says Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman entered the United States illegally. It says Abdel-Rahman was discovered in the mosque during the investigation of Kahane's assassination in Manhattan last month.

Trans World Airlines said today it's renewing its bid for Pan Am. T- W-A's latest offer would provide one-dollar-50 cents in cash, plus one dollar either in preferred stock or a promissory note, for each share of Pan Am's common stock. The offer totals about 450-Million dollars.

Pam Am last month turned down a T-W-A offer of one dollar in cash and two dollars in stock or notes and instead agreed to sell most of its United States-London routes to United Airlines for 400-Million dollars.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 16) UPI - Martin Scorsese and his film ''Goodfellas,'' a realistic tale chronicling three decades in the lives of three New York gangsters, were voted best director and best picture Saturday by the Los Angeles Film Critics Association.

Jeremy Irons was voted best actor for his portrayal of the twice- accused attempted murderer Claus von Bulow in ''Reversal of Fortune,'' while Anjelica Huston won best actress honors for her leading roles in the films ''The Grifters'' and ''The Witches.''

The 36-member organization of area print and broadcast movie critics met Saturday at a private home in Northridge to decide the year's top cinematic awards, said association secretary Jerry Roberts.

Scorsese's two honors edged out by one vote Kevin Costner as best director and ''Dances With Wolves'' as best picture. The 19th Century story of a white man's encounter with the Sioux nation was Costner's directorial debut.

The winners will receive their awards during a luncheon ceremony on Jan. 15 at the Bel Age Hotel in West Hollywood.

The association also named recipients for three special awards recognizing the work of film veterans and a newcomer.

Animator Chuck Jones, creator of the beloved cartoon characters Bugs Bunny and Daffy Duck, among others, and Blake Edwards, director of the ''Pink Panther'' films, ''Breakfast at Tiffanys'' and ''10,'' will each receive this year's Career Achievement Award.

New Zealand director Jane Campion, whose film ''Sweetie'' has won critical acclaim, was honored with the association's New Generation Award, which typically goes to a newcomer on the cinematic scene ''whose work through the year shows exceptional merit,'' Roberts said.

Charles Burnett, director and writer of film ''To Sleep With Anger,'' was the winner of the group's special award honoring an outstanding figure in film. The award recognizes Burnett's body of work.

Winners in other categories included:

_Best supporting actor: Joe Pesci, ''Goodfellas.''

_Best supporting actress: Lorraine Bracco, ''Goodfellas.''

_Best screenplay: Nicholas Kazan, ''Reversal of Fortune.''

_Best cinematography: Michael Ballhaus, ''Goodfellas.''

_Best musical score: Ryuici Sakamoto, ''The Sheltering Sky.''

_Best foreign film: ''Life and Nothing But,'' France.

_Best animation: ''The Rescuers Down Under,'' Walt Disney Pictures.

_Best documentary: (tie) ''Paris is Burning'' and ''Pictures of the Old World.''

_Independent/Experimental Award: ''Tongues Untied,'' Marlon Riggs.

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GOLDEN, CO (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - In a hard-hitting twist on its ''Beer is Back'' advertising campaign, Coors Extra Gold is capitalizing on a recent independent taste test which found that 58 percent of Budweiser drinkers, ages 21-49, preferred Coors Extra Gold.

The new campaign, developed by Foote, Cone and Belding, Chicago, builds in the introductory ''Beer is Back'' campaign, which focused on the darker color of Coors Extra Gold. The campaign, which is being tested in 16 markets across the country, includes television, radio, outdoor billboards, point-of-sale and in-market promotions.

In the three new television ads, side-by-side comparisons of Coors Extra Gold and Budweiser show the deeper, darker color of Coors Extra Gold and introduce the results of the new taste test.

Bright, contemporary graphics reinforce the questions asked during the ''man on the street interviews'' with actual beer drinkers (no actors were used). Questions posed in the interviews include, ''Did you know something does beat a Bud?,'' ''Which one do you think looks like a better beer?,'' and ''Which beer would you rather try?''

Next, the interviewer summarizes the results of the recent taste test and asks how it will affect their choice of beers. Answers range from ''Gonna switch'' to ''Go for the Gold.'' The commercials end with ''No doubt about it -- Beer is Back,'' and a bottle of Coors Extra Gold is prominently displayed.

Since launching the ''Beer is Back'' campaign in October, sales trends of Coors Extra Gold have improved in each of the 16 test markets. ''The beer market is very volatile and, based on positive test market sales trackings, we believe premium beer drinkers have already begun sampling Coors Extra Gold and switching brands,'' added Skovsted. ''We want to ensure Extra Gold remains competitive.''

In addition to many Budweiser drinkers who preferred the taste of Coors Extra Gold, a professional taste panel awarded the gold medal in the American Premium Lager category to Coors Extra Gold for the second consecutive year at the recent Great American Beer Festival. Also, in May 1990, an impartial taste panel in Minneapolis gave the brand top rating among domestic premium lagers.

As part of the new ad campaign, consumers may call the Coors Consumer Hotline, 1-800/642-6116, to receive a coupon good for a refund for 75 cents, $1.50 or $3 off a six, 12- or 24-pack of Coors Extra Gold, respectively.

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Olga Salazar or Linda Butler, 303/277-6269.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Alaska Airlines, recently approved by the federal government to launch the first scheduled passenger jet service to the Soviet Union from the U.S. West Coast, Monday announced its plans for the new route.

Alaska will begin service on June 17 between Anchorage and two cities in the Soviet Far East -- Magadan and Khabarovsk. Three round trip flights per week will be offered through the summer.

Tour packages, which go on sale today, include round trip airfare from Anchorage, hotel accommodations, sightseeing, meals and assistance in securing necessary documentation.

There are three package options:

-- Five days/four nights. Two days in Magadan followed by three in Khabarovsk. Price from Anchorage: $1,145 per person.

-- Six days/five nights. Three days in Khabarovsk followed by three in Magadan. Price from Anchorage: $1,295 per person.

-- Eight days/seven nights. Includes Khabarovsk and a third city in the region, Irkutsk, which will be accessed via a two-day trip by sleeper car on the Trans-Siberian Railroad from Khabarovsk. Price from Anchorage: $1,795 per person.

Airfare by itself also is available. Round trip main cabin fares are $1,100, Anchorage-Magadan, and $1,500, Anchorage-Khabarovsk. One-way fares also are available. Advance purchase and deposit restrictions apply.

Magadan, a city of 150,000 on the Sea of Okhotsk, is about 2,000 miles southwest of Anchorage. Flight time between the two cities is just more than four hours. A closed city for decades, Magadan was the gateway to some of the most infamous of Stalin's labor camps. Today it is an administrative center and major port serving the northern region of the Soviet Far East.

Khabarovsk, a major commercial center and river port of about 700,000 people,

is another 1,000 miles south of Magadan, near the Chinese border. The city is a popular destination for tourists from China, Japan, North Korea and other parts of the Orient.

Irkutsk, known as the Paris of Siberia because of its tree-lined streets, parks and architecture, is the capital of Eastern Siberia and serves as an industrial, cultural, trade and scientific center. The city is about 40 miles from Lake Baikal, one of the country's scenic and natural wonders.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - John Chen has been promoted to vice president and general manager of the Unix Systems Group of Unisys Computer Systems Group.

In this position, he is responsible for the development, manufacturing and marketing of all Unix platform products and programs offered by the corporation.

Chen was vice president and general manager of the Motorola Platform division as well as acting general manager of the Group for several months before his latest promotion.

Chen joined Unisys Corp. in July 1979 as an electrical design engineer for Burroughs Computer Systems Group. He subsequently held a number of product design and management positions, receiving the Unisys ''Pinnacle Award for Technical Excellence'' in 1987 for his work in developing the ECL ASIC devices for the V-Series mainframes.

Chen holds a Master of Science in electrical engineering from the California Institute of Technology (1979) and a Bachelor of Science in engineering from Brown University (1978).

Unisys Corp. is a $10 billion supplier of commercial information systems, defense systems and related services. It has more than 75,000 employees and 60,000 customers in more than 100 countries.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint has increased long distance calling options for Japanese credit card customers traveling in the United States through agreements with three major Japanese credit card issuers: Daiei Finance Inc., LIFE Co. Ltd., and JACCS Inc.

Sprint also has reached an agreement with Diners Club for cards it issues in Japan.

With the new accords in effect, Sprint International, US Sprint's private networks and global telecommunications subsidiary, now makes long distance service available to almost 24 million holders of Japanese credit cards.

Sprint International is providing similar services through JCB International, Japan's largest credit card company, and in the near future, through Visa International, a division of Visa which serves some 140 million Visa credit cards issued through non-U.S. financial institutions.

Effective immediately, Diners Club Japan, LIFE, Daiei Finance and JACCS cardholders can dial a toll-free 800 number to reach Japanese-speaking US Sprint operators, place long distance calls within the U.S. or to any country in the world served by US Sprint, and bill the calls to their credit cards. Charges will appear on the cardholders' monthly credit card statements in their native currency.

''The Japanese business travel market is large and growing, and US Sprint intends to maintain its lead in serving this important customer base,'' said Andrew Burroughs, vice president of global marketing at Sprint International.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint, with the United States' only all-digital, fiber-optic network, provides a comprehensive array of global voice, data and video communications products and services.

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PROVO, UT (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Rocky Mountain Helicopters Inc. (RMH), (NASDAQ:RMHI) Monday reported net income of $600,000, or 20 cents per share, on revenues of $18.9 million for its fiscal second quarter ended Oct. 31, compared to net income of $499,000 on revenues of $17.6 million for the same quarter last year. (a)

For the six-month period, net income was $2 million, or 70 cents per share, on

revenues of $38.9 million compared to net income of $2.4 million on revenues of $35 million for the same period a year ago.

While net income for the first six months was below prior year levels due to decreased gains on equipment sales in the first quarter, revenues for the fiscal year to date increased nearly 11 percent.

James Burr, RMH chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''We are pleased with the results for the second quarter and for the first six months of fiscal 1991. We achieved record revenues in the medical division last month and continue to experience strong company growth, as expected.

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Carl Thompson Associates, Salt Lake City
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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Elite Microelectronics Inc. has announced a 25MHz speed option for its recently introduced 386 PC/AT chip set.

The Eagle was introduced Nov. 1 as a 33MHz chip set. Both versions are available now.

The 25MHz Eagle chip set is priced at $99 per unit in quantities 1000. One thousand unit quantities of the 33MHz version are priced at $168 per unit. Samples, evaluation boards and production quantities for both speed versions are currently shipping and immediately available.

The Eagle chip set consists of a 184-pin PQFP and 160-pin PQFP device. The two-piece chip set provides the core logic functions required by board and system manufacturers to build high speed, cache-based 386DX PC/ATs with a minimum chip count.

An entire system motherboard can be built with as few as 25 components including CPU, Eagle chip set, BIOS, keyboard controller, integrated peripheral controller and a few discrete TTL devices.

Eagle provides CPU bus control, DRAM control and data conversion between the various buses as well as an integrated cache controller. Eagle's flexible architecture allows it to be used in either cache or non-cache systems with the same design.

Traditionally, cache control has been external to the system core logic. The complexity of cache control logic and the lack of high speed RAM megacells for ASIC design have limited chip set vendors to partial integrations, at best, of

the cache controller.

The Eagle is equipped with 60 software programmable configuration registers allowing direct, yet flexible control of cache operations, local and AT bus operation, DRAM access, memory mapping and shadowing. The computer OEM can use this feature to differentiate its product through innovative software and hardware design.

Competitive chip set offerings typically have only three to 15 configuration registers. Full cache/DRAM integration also increases system and component reliability while reducing system costs.

Elite Microeletronics Inc. designs, develops and markets VLSI chip sets for industry standard computer systems. Its products are sold to computer original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) for incorporation in personal computers, intelligent termials, workstations, instrumentation and other applications of standard computer architectures.

Elite has relocated to 4003 North First Street, San Jose CA 95134 from its 711 Charcot Ave., San Jose address. Phone 408/943-0500, fax 408/943-0561.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Team Inc. announced that it completed the acquisition of Source Environmental Sciences Inc.

Team had previously announced the execution of a letter of intent between the two companies.

Team acquired all of the outstanding common stock of Source and will account for the transaction as a purchase. The terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Source Environmental is a professional environmental consulting firm specializing primarily in air quality services, including the preparation of environmental permit applications, atmospheric dispersion modeling, fugitive air emmission monitoring, and environmental impact assessments and audits for industrial facilities.

Located in Houston, Source's revenues are generated primarily in the Gulf Coast area. Jack Coblenz, the founder, together with the present management

team, will continue to direct the activities of Source.

With the acquisition of Source, Team, already a leader in plant emissions monitoring and control, will take another step forward in its stated commitment to expand its service capabilities in the areas of comprehensive environmental and air quality monitoring.

This expanded line of service to Team's customers is intended to insure that new and existing industrial customers will have access through Team to the resources they require to meet the new Clean Air Act and other environmental requirements.

Team Inc. is a national service company and a leader in the repair and maintenance of America's public and private infrastructure from roads and bridges to industrial plants. Headquartered in Houston, the company has 57 operating locations in 24 states and Ierves the international market through licensee arrangements in 12 countries.

Team Inc. is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol TMI.

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PORTLAND, OR (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Pope & Talbot Monday announced that 1990 fourth quarter operating earnings would be below last year's final quarter and lower than expected as recently as last month.

Operating earnings wil be around breakeven for this December quarter, compared with 84 cents per common share in 1989's fourth quarter and 30 cents per share in this year's September quarter.

The principal reason for these unfavorable comparisons is further weakening in lumber markets caused by the persistent recession in construction activity across the United States. Lower lumber prices and a strong Canadian dollar are hurting Canadian sawmill operations to a greater degree than previously, which is compounding the earnings problems caused by a continuing poor domestic market for solid wood products.

Another reason is further deterioration in the company's market pulp business, where profits are being hurt by lower pulp prices. Finally, losses continue in Pope & Talbot's disposable diaper business, where industry over capacity is causing unfavorable operating and product pricing conditions.

Peter T. Pope, chairman, president and chief executive officer, stated, ''We are disappointed to be concluding the year with results that are below recent

expectations, but pleased that our financial condition remains unusually strong among companies in the forest products industry.'' He concluded, ''While we are cautious as the recession year of 1991 looms on the horizon, I am positive about Pope & Talbot's outlook once economic conditions improve.''

Pope & Talbot Inc. is a publicly held, Portland-based paper, pulp and wood products company traded on the NYSE. Pope & Talbot was founded in 1849 and has operations throughout the United States and in Canada.

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CARLSBAD, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Cardiotronics announced Monday that Raymond L. Screbant and Richard E. Emmitt will join its board of directors in January 1991.

Screbant and Emmitt will join present board members, Theodore Holstein, M.D., chairman, and Bruno Bisceglia Jr. and Tim J. Way, founders of the company.

Both Screbant and Emmitt are major stockholders of Cardiotronics, the latter in his capacity as general of The Vertical Fund.

Screbant has over 20 years of experience in medical industry sales and marketing. He is the president and founder of S & S Medical, an independent sales organization which has represented such successful companies as Intermedics, St. Jude and SciMed. Screbant also served on the board of directors of Intermedics for almost 10 years until its acquisition in 1988.

Emmitt has over 20 years of medical industry experience as an investment analyst, investment banker and venture capitalist. He is a managing director of EF Venture Capital and general partner of the The Vertical Fund, a private investment partnership. Emmitt has been a member of the board of directors of SciMed Life Systems since 1984, and also is a board member of three private medical technology companies.

Cardiotronics also disclosed that its sales for the fourth quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990, are expected to increase by 50 percent or more compared with the third quarter. Management anticipates that its recent high rate of sales growth may be sustained into 1991 as the company benefits from both new products and its continuing cooperative marketing arrangement with Hewlett Packard.

Cardiotronics develops, manufactures and markets disposable electrodes and devices for the support and resuscitation of patients experiencing, or vulnerable to, a heart attack or life-threatening heart rhythm disorder.

Based in Carlsbad, Cardiotronics' common stock is traded over the counter by several market makers.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Consolidated Entertainment, the diversified, international entertainment company active in production, co-production and worldwide distribution, has appointed Kathleen L. Amundson to the newly created position of vice president of finance, effective immediately, it was announced Monday by Elizabeth Matthews, president and chief operating officer.

Amundson, reporting to Matthews, will be responsible for all facets of Consolidated's financial activities and will work out of the company's Los Angeles headquarters.

''Kathleen brings to Consolidated an expansive background in all aspects of finance,'' said Matthews. ''She will undoubtedly be a great asset to us, especially as our expansion continues to accelerate in the areas of production acquisition and distribution. We are delighted to have her as part of our management team.''

Before joining Consolidated, Amundson has held various senior level positions at top entertainment companies, including that of senior vice president of finance and accounting at New World Entertainment; director of finance at The Disney Channel; and, most recently, vice president of finance and chief financial officer at A.M.E.

Amundson began her career as an audit manager at Price Waterhouse, with an emphasis on the entertainment industry.

Founded in 1978, Consolidated Entertainment has achieved a unique position in the television film production and distribution industry, combining acquisition and distribution with development, production and co-production. In 1990, the company adds 51 1/2 hours of film to its production slate, a substantial part of it co-produced with European broadcasters, with every hour sold to U.S. broadcasters.

Consolidated Entertainment also has offices in London and Washington D.C.

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POMONA, Calif. (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Taking full advantage of the need for mouse input devices to drive the latest graphical user interfaces, Z-Nix Company Inc. Monday announced the shipping of its Super Mouse II bundled with Microsoft Windows 3.0 software.

Z-Nix also announced initial sales figures for the product are near $2 million since its introduction in November at Comdex.

''Bundling Super Mouse II with Windows 3.0 offers users a superior input device along with today's most popular graphical user interface Windows 3.0,'' said Frank Yeh, vice president of sales and marketing for Z-Nix.

''The Super Mouse II provides users access to the multitasking abilities of Windows 3.0, increasing worker productivity. The strong intial sales show that PC users are seeking high-quality performance in a mouse as they make the move to the Windows environment.''

The Super Mouse II features a two-button configuration and mechanical tracking mechanism to achieve 400 DPI (dots per inch) and a maximum tracking speed of 650 millimeters per second.

Using the available ballistic driver, resolution can be increased to 6400 DPI. Super Mouse II comes with an intelligent driver so users can fine-tune cursor movement to specific user preference. One user may prefer to have the pointer race across the screen with minimum movement from the mouse while another may prefer a slower, more controlled movement.

Z-Nix recently announced that it had obtained a license from Microsoft to sell Windows 3.0. ''Our future marketing plans are to bundle our other input devices with software programs that maximize product performance,'' Yeh added.

Price Availability

The Super Mouse II bundled with Windows 3.0 is available for IBM PCs, compatibles and IBM PS/2s. The suggested retail price for the serial version is $233.95, and $248.95 for the bus and PS/2 version. They are immediately available from Z-Nix distributors in the United States.

Z-Nix Company Inc. is a supplier of advanced input devices with headquarters in Pomona. The Super Mouse II is part of Z-Nix's existing line of input devices that include the Cordless Super Mouse, the FasTrak trackball and the Z-Scan hand-held grey-scale scanner.

The company's major customers include Tandy Corp., CompuAdd, CMS Enhancements, HeadStart/Magnavox, Commodore Europe and NEC/Japan.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Transamerica Income Shares Inc. (NYSE:TAI) Monday declared a monthly income dividend of 18 cents per share payable Dec. 15, 1990, to shareholders of record on Nov. 30, 1990.

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LONGMONT, CO (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Staodyn Inc. (NASDAQ:SDYN) announced Monday that it has filed its Premarket Approval Application (PMA) with the Department of Health and Human Services' Food and Drug Administration (FDA), covering the use of its Dermapulse(R) for wound healing.

Staodyn is seeking approval to market the device for promoting (speeding) the healing of decubitus ulcers of the skin (also known as pressure ulcers or bed sores.)

It is estimated that more than 1.5 million people in the United States develop decubitus ulcers each year, with the estimated cost of treating one decubitus ulcer ranging from $14,000 to $25,000 for a total annual treatment cost of $6 billion.

''The Dermapulse product could open up a multimillion-dollar revenue source for Staodyn,'' said W. Bayne Gibson, Staodyn's president. ''With FDA approval it has the potential to dwarf the company's existing revenues.'' Gibson stated that active discussions with several major medical companies for the licensing of the distribution rights are continuing.

Gary Gentzkow, M.D., vice president, medical director, said Monday's submission is the culmination of over five years of work, involving two well-controlled clinical trials which show dramatically improved healing, as measured by both the rate of wound closure and the change in the character of the wound.

The Dermapulse system, as adjunctive therapy, is expected to substantially reduce the time (and therefore the cost) to heal these difficult to treat wounds.

Staodyn is a leading manufacturer of medical electronic products, primarily TENS (Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulation) devices used for the relief of chronic and acute pain, and NMES (Neuromuscular Electrical Stimulation) devices used in physical and sports medicine for muscle re-education and rehabilitation.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Smith International Inc. (NYSE/PSE:SII) Monday announced that James R. Gibbs had been elected to serve as a member of its board of directors, effective Dec. 12, 1990.

Gibbs has an extensive background in the oil service industry. He received a bachelor of science degree in engineering and a doctorate in economics and finance from Southern Methodist University and is currently president and chief operating officer and a director of Wainoco Oil Corp. He is also a director of El Paso Refinery L.P.

Smith International is a worldwide supplier of products and services to the oil and gas drilling industries.

For further information, contact Dan E. Steigerwald, acting chief financial officer, at 713/443-3370.

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OMAHA, NEB. (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Data Transmission Network Corp. (NASDAQ:DTLN) announced Monday it has entered into an agreement with Valero Refining & Marketing Co. to provide satellite-delivered communication and price notification services over DTNergysm.

Valero will utilize DTN's newly developed DTNergy service to provide terminal prices, terminal alerts, electronic funds transfer notifications, electronic invoices and sales and marketing announcements to its petroleum marketers beginning in February 1991. In addition, DTN will provide each marketer as a part of the DTNergy service energy futures and options quotations and financial news.

Valero is the third refiner to sign an agreement with DTN, joining Phillips 66 Co. and Koch Refining Co. Eighteen other refiners are currently conducting

their own tests of DTNergy. The company estimates that the three agreements will add approximately 3,000 subscribers to DTNergy and increase fiscal 1991 revenues by six to eight percent.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - City National Bank has entered into a 10-year agreement to subcontract with Systematics Inc. the data processing services of City National Information Systems (CNIS), City National's data processing division.

CNIS provides data processing services to approximately 200 independent banks.

Under the terms of the agreement, effective Jan. 1, 1991, City National will retain ownership of the data processing business, retain all customer contracts, and continue to sell, market, and provide direct customer support to West Coast financial institutions. Systematics will provide application software systems and integration services.

''We chose Systematics because they have the software, financial strength, and technical expertise to complement City National's goal of expanding its role as the preeminent supplier of data processing services for financial institutions on the West Coast,'' said Bram Goldsmith, chairman and chief executive officer.

''Our CNIS division recently celebrated its 26th year of operation while Systematics just completed its 22nd year in business. City National and Systematics intend to preserve the CNIS tradition of delivering products and services with unrelenting reliability and quality.''

Newton Gore, executive vice president of CNIS, lauded the benefits that the Systematics software will offer to CNIS' customer banks. ''With Systematics' comprehensive banking software we will offer many new capabilities, such as profitability and account analysis and combined statements. City National Bank will implement Systematics' banking software in 1991.''

''This alliance creates a powerhouse of expertise and resources to provide the most competitive processing services to independent financial institutions throughout the West Coast,'' said John E. Steuri, Systematics' chairman and chief executive officer.

Systematics, with clients in 44 states and 16 countries, is the leading provider of data processing services and software for the financial industry. The company is a subsidiary of ALLTEL Corp., one of the nation's leading

independent telecommunications companies.

City National Information Systems, a division of City National Bank, is the largest provider of bank data processing services in the West, providing service to nearly 200 customer banks. City National Bank is a $4.9 billion commercial bank with headquarters in Beverly Hills, with 23 regional offices in Southern California.

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LAS CRUCES, NM (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - One of the most notable advances in X-ray technology in decades has just been announced by Energy Optics Inc., an electro-optic equipment concern headquartered in Las Cruces.

The advance is a self-developing X-ray recording medium which replaces standard X-ray film. It can be used with present medical, dental and industrial X-ray equipment, but requires no silver now used in film, no chemicals and no darkroom for developing.

Based on an issued patent, under which Energy Optics has obtained certain rights, the new medium has been developed by the company under a Federal Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) contract sponsored by the U.S. Army and aimed initially at dental applications.

The elimination of developing chemicals and darkrooms promises increased efficiency, Edward N. Laughlin, president of EOI, said. Environmental considerations also could speed acceptance of this new medium, he noted.

In both medical and industrial applications, the medium will permit viewing of X-ray images in the field, without delays caused by the necessity of returning regular film to a developing facility, Laughlin said, adding that such convenience also could yield lower overall cost, while providing X-ray images of equal quality.

EOI is in the final stage of development on the dental X-ray film under the Army contract and expects to be marketing the new self-developing medium, either directly or through a large marketing partner, according to Laughlin.

Energy Optics is a research, development and engineering concern specializing in the field of electro-optics. It has developed a variety of devices and systems, many of them under SBIR contract or for other companies, ranging from an infrared electronic remote meter reading/data collection system, to a pilot black-out warning device for the Air Force, to a docking system for satellite recovery by an unmanned space vehicle, to several medical diagnostic

instuments.

It is a public company with shares traded on the National Association of Securities Dealers' Electronic Bulletin Board (symbol: EOPT).

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Gordon Molesworth, 602/625-0035.

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SANTA ANA, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Effective in November 1990, Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. signed a strategic master VAR agreement with Sun Microsystems to resell Sun's entire product line using the relational database capabilities of UniData or VMark into the PICK commercial marketplace traditionally serviced by Novadyne.

The agreement provides for cooperative market arrangements between Novadyne's sales, service and support channels with their counterparts at Sun Microsystems.

This multimillion dollar agreement provides Sun with the ability to enter the commercial marketplace using Novadyne's established vertical applications currently installed in a broad range of businesses, including medium-sized business, as well as installations in Fortune 500 companies.

Through their already established dealer and VAR network in the United States, Novadyne will resell Sun products, as well as their traditional proprietary REALITY-based systems which utilize modular architecture featuring multilevels of intelligence.

In addition to reselling the entire Sun product line with relational database capabilities, Novadyne will be a qualified Sun hardware and software service provider for products that are sold through the master VAR agreement, making Novadyne one of the few non-manufacturers to provide total support functions for both the reseller and their end users.

Novadyne also has an exclusive distribution agreement with McDonnell Douglas to sell, service and support their entire computer product line in the United States and Puerto Rico.

Sun Microsystems Inc., with headquarters in Mountain View, is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. products and services are marketed nationwide to companies in all facets of commerce including aeorspace, retailing,

transportation, distribution, communications, health care, educational organizations and federal and local governmental agencies.

During the past year, Novadyne assumed responsibility for all sales and marketing responsibility for McDonnell Douglas computer systems in North America. Novadyne has over 1,000 employees in 125 locations in the United States. Revenues in 1989 exceeded $100 million.

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Pat Dwight, 714/566-4965

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TEMPE, AZ (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - MicroAge Inc. (NASDAQ:MICA), Monday announced that its subsidiary MicroAge Solutions Inc. has sold its company-owned centers in Indianapolis and Cincinnati to Indianapolis-based Graham Computer Centers.

MicroAge Solutions Inc. now operates eight company-owned centers nationwide.

Graham, with five other Midwest locations, has signed franchise agreements with MicroAge Computer Centers Inc. (MCCI), making all seven locations MicroAge franchises. MCCI is a wholly owned subsidiary of MicroAge Inc.

The move strengthens MicroAge's presence in the Midwest and gives Graham national service capabilities, competitive product pricing and a stronger presence in its current market area. Graham owns three stores in Indianapolis two in Cincinnati and one each in Dayton, Ohio and Louisville, Ky.

''Graham's excellent reputation in the Indianapolis and Cincinnati markets made the sale of the two company-owned centers a prudent business decision,'' said Warren Mills, vice president-sales for MicroAge Inc. ''By joining the MicroAge Network, Graham will have access to resources to expand its client base.''

Graham Computer Center was founded in 1923 as Graham Electronics. In 1984 Graham Computer Centers became a part of Bell Industries Inc., a distributor of electronic components based in Los Angeles.

MicroAge markets and distributes information technology products and services through an international network of franchised, affiliated reseller and company-owned locations.

CONTACT: MicroAge Computer Stores Inc., Tempe
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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Allied Cellular Systems Ltd. announced that it proposes, subject to acceptance by the Vancouver Stock Exchange, to loan $1,000,000.00 (U.S. funds) (the ''loan'') to MOCELL Inc., a closely-held Delaware corporation engaged in the acquisition of cellular interests in Missouri.

The proposed loan will be advanced through the company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Allied Cellular Systems Inc. (''Allied Inc.''). MOCELL Inc. is affiliated with Columbia Cellular Inc., a company holding the construction permit for the non-wireline telephone system in Columbia, Mo., to which Allied Inc. has previously loaned $2,000,000.00 (U.S. funds).

In addition, Allied Inc. loaned $1,500,000.00 (U.S. funds) to MOCELL Inc. earlier this year. As with the prior loan, MOCELL Inc. will utilize the proceeds of the loan to acquire interest in cellular telephone systems in Missouri.

The loan will be secured by MOCELL Inc.'s interest in non-wireline cellular telephone assets. The terms of the Loan will also give Allied Inc. the option to convert all or any of the loan amount into minority interests in cellular telephone assets acquired by MOCELL Inc. with the loan proceeds at a cost to Allied Inc. equal to MOCELL Inc.'s acquisition cost.

CONTACT: Allied Cellular Systems Inc.
Charles V. Bush, 213/850-3337

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PUEBLO, CO (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - CF&I Steel Corp. (NASDAQ:CFIP) announced Monday that it has obtained a $10 million financing arrangement with Congress Financial Corp. which has been approved by the bankruptcy court.

This post-petition obligation is secured by receivables and inventory.

The company believes that this credit facility is a significant step for meeting any unforeseen cash requirements since operating cash flow should continue to meet normal needs.

CONTACT: CF&I Steel Corp., Pueblo
Mike Kraska, 719/561-7271.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Horizon Air and Alaska Airlines frequent

fliers will receive triple mileage credit on all flights now through March 15, 1991.

The bonus applies to the actual or the 500 mile minimum mileage credit, whichever is greater. Therefore, all trips on either carrier will be worth at least 1,500 miles each way, even though the actual mileage on most Horizon and several Alaska routes is far less than 500 miles. A round trip between the Tri-Cities and Seattle, for example, is worth 3,000 miles. A trip from Yakima to Los Angeles via Horizon and Alaska Airlines is worth more than 8,800 miles.

Triple miles will also be awarded on the popular Horizon Shuttle, Horizon's every half-hour flight service between Seattle and Portland, and hourly service between Seattle and Spokane.

The triple mileage plan is different from frequent flier promotions recently introduced by other carriers -- a minimum number of flights is not required in order to receive awards. Members of the Horizon/Alaska program can redeem for a round trip ticket on Horizon Air, including Sun Valley, when they have accumulated 10,000 miles and for a coach ticket on Alaska for travel in the United States at 15,000 miles.

Horizon Air and Alaska Airlines serve more than 60 cities in seven Western states and Alaska, Canada and Mexico.

CONTACT: Horizon Air, Seattle
Bill Ayer, 206/451-4514

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PHOENIX (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Microtest Inc. Monday announced the introduction of the MT80 Portable Printer to its extensive line of diagnostic and connectivity products.

The printer, a compact 80-column thermal line printer, was designed to be used with both the Pair Scanner and Cable Scanner to print out network activity and diagnostic reports. The printer's certification reports are important in helping to certify that cable segnments in the network meet specifications.

The printer allows users to keep a permanent hard copy record of their cabling and documentation of a working network installation. In addition, it permits field service and repair technicians to print out test results while they are servicing the network.

Users can compare current tests with previous test results and quickly diagnose the problems, reducing downtime and intermittent problems. THe printer can be used to print network activity reports, helping with day-to-day management of traffic and flow of data on the LAN.

The printer is battery-powered, making it convenient and portable to use. It uses rechargeable NICAD batteries and it comes with a 120V AC adapter. It measures just 8.5'' x 5'' x 1.8'' and weighs less than two pounds.

''We think the MT80 is a perfect companion to our line of scanner products. Like our scanners, it offers convenience and portability, and perhaps most importantly, it's easy to use. One of the best reasons to have the printer is that it eliminates the need to tie up a busy network printer to print out your test results,'' said David Bolles, president and founder of Microtest.

Microtest Inc., founded in 1984, designs, manufactures and markets innovative solutions for users of computer networks and electrical communications systems. Microtest has pioneered several firsts in network diagnostics and connectivity products, which increase the reliability, productivity and convenience of local area networks.

For further information contact: Gina Kilker, Microtest Inc., 3519 East Shea Blvd., Suite 134, Phoenix, AZ 85028; 602/971-6464; fax: 602/971-6963; MCI: Microtest.

CONTACT: Microtest Inc., Phoenix
Gina Kilker, 602/971-6464.

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REDMOND, WA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsoft Corp. Monday announced the immediate worldwide availability of multiprocessor enhancements to Microsoft LAN Manager.

The first implementation runs on a dual-processor COMPAQ SYSTEMPRO.

Compaq Computer Corp. was the first vendor in the personal computer industry to implement a multiprocessing hardware architecture within a PC system, and both companies have cooperated extensively to bring the benefits of multiprocessor LAN Manager to customers.

The new Microsoft LAN Manager Multiprocessor Server Pak is available through Microsoft's channel of authorized network specialists as an add-on to standard LAN Manager. The multiprocessor pack takes full advantage of a second microprocessor, either an Intel 80386 or 80486, by apportioning tasks between the two processors to deliver the highest possible network performance.

Microsoft's multiprocessor enhancements are designed to be implemented on a variety of PC-based hardware systems, and the software is being made available to other OEMs, with Microsoft introducing a program today for compliance testing of the completed adaptations.

Microsoft Corp. (NASDAQ:MSFT) develops, markets and supports a wide range of software for business and professional use, including operating systems, network products, languages and application programs, as well as books, CD-ROM products and hardware for the microcomputer marketplace.

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Waggener Edstrom, Portland
Collins Hemingway or Pam Edstrom, 503/245-0905

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - URS Corp. (NYSE:URS) announced Monday the appointment of William D. DeVincenzi, 47, as controller and Robert I. Williams, 40, as associate general counsel.

DeVincenzi, whose responsibilities include internal and external financial reporting, as well as tax matters, previously served as vice president, finance, chief financial officer and secretary of Power Spectra Inc. of Fremont, Calif. He is a graduate of St. Mary's College and received an MBA from the University of California, Berkeley.

During the 10 years prior to his position with Power Spectra, DeVincenzi served Varian Associates Inc. of Palo Alto, Calif., as controller for various groups and operations, director of accounting and in other senior financial management positions.

Williams joins URS as associate general counsel to assume responsibility for contracting, risk management, and corporate secretarial matters. His experience includes eight years with the Bechtel group of companies where he held a variety of positions. Most recently he served as senior counsel and corporate secretary to Bechtel Environmental Inc.

Prior to that he was a partner with the Colorado law firm of Dufford, Waldeck, Milburn & Krohn. He received his Bachelors in Mathematics from Columbia College and his Juris Doctor from Harvard Law School.

URS Corp., through its subsidiary, URS Consultants Inc., is a nationwide consulting firm with 25 offices which provides planning, architectural, engineering and construction management services to a variety of public and private clients.

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Michael B. Shane, 415/774-2700

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Genentech Inc. Monday announced that it is making licenses available to biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies for a basic patent in the antibody field.

The patent, U.S. 4816567, and other pending patents cover recombinant chimeric immunoglobulins and the manufacturing processes to make them. Another pending patent available for license is directed to the coexpression of immunoglobulin chains including, but not restricted to, chimeric immunoglobulins. Chimeric immunoglobulins currently being produced typically contain a major antibody portion of human origin and the remainder from another species, such as mice. The major advantage of chimeric immunoglobulins is that they are less immunogenic and therefore reduce the risk of undesirable immune response in humans.

The patent arose from a collaboration with the City of Hope National Medical Center in the early 1980s. The City of Hope will receive a portion of the royalties. A goal of Genentech's licensing program is to make the chimeric technology widely available for commercial uses which will maximize its potential contribution to human health care.

More than 25 pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies currently are developing chimeric monoclonal antibody products and dozens of clinical trials are underway for therapeutics, vaccines and diagnostics. Potential uses include treatments for septic shock, autoimmune disorders and cancer, as well as imaging.

Genentech recently established is own monoclonal antibody research and development program. Potential products include antibodies to HER-2, which is undergoing preclinical studies to evaluate its potential to help manage breast and ovarian cancer. HER-2 clinical trials are expected to begin in 1991.

It is Genentech's plan to grant limited numbers of co-exclusive licenses for specific antibodies for selected fields of use at traditional and reasonable royalty rates. A limited number of exclusive arrangements will be considered. It is expected that these antigens and fields will close as licenses are granted. Additional information is available from Nicholas Simon, Genentech director of business development.

Genentech Inc. is a leading biotechnology company focusing on the development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceuticals produced by recombinant DNA technology.

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Jack Murphy, 415/266-1615 (media contact)

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - On Dec. 17, 1990, Bunker Hill Income Securities Inc., a closed-end bond fund, declared a regular dividend of 41 cents per share, payable Jan. 11, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 28, 1990.

On Dec. 17, 1990, Bunker Hill Income Securities Inc., a closed-end bond fund, declared a special dividend of 13 cents per share, payable Jan. 11, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 28, 1990.

Security Pacific Investment Managers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Security Pacific Corp., is investment adviser and manager of Bunker Hill. The Fund has 2,741,076 shares listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Bunker Hill Income Securities Inc., Los Angeles
Diane L. Bishop, 213/229-1290.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Integrated Systems Monday reported net income of $995,000, or 12 cents per share, for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, increases of 105 percent and 71 percent respectively, over net income of $485,000, or 7 cents per share, for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1989.

For the third quarter of fiscal 1991, total revenue was $4,536,000, an increase of 37 percent over the third quarter fiscal 1990 revenue of $3,311,000.

The company also reported net income of $2,389,000, or 29 cents per share, for the nine months ended Nov. 30, 1990, increases of 123 percent and 81 percent, respectively, over net income of $1,071,000 or 16 cents per share for the nine months ended Nov. 30, 1989.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1991, total revenue was $13,390,000, an increase of 64 percent over the first nine months of fiscal 1990 revenue of $8,169,000. Based on results for the last four quarters ended Nov. 30, 1990, the company's net income per share for that 12-month period is 42 cents.

Integrated Systems is a leading supplier of CAE/CASE software products that automate and accelerate real-time software development and system design. The company's products are used in the aerospace, automotive, manufacturing and computer peripherals industries for real-time control system and software development.

The company markets directly to end users in North America and through distributors and independent sales representatives in Japan, Europe and Australia.

CONTACT: Integrated Systems, Santa Clara
Scott C. McDonald, 408/980-1500.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Spelling Entertainment Inc. (ASE:SP), a leading entertainment production and distribution company, Monday reported a 15 percent rise in revenues, increased operating income and lower net income for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Revenues were $43,983,000, compared with $38,145,000 for the year-earlier period and reflect increased network activity. Operating income was $5,869,000 vs. the $5,813,000 recorded for the fiscal 1990 first quarter. Net income attributable to common shares was $1,302,000, or 4 cents per share, compared with $1,613,000, or 5 cents per share, for the comparable prior fiscal quarter.

Aaron Spelling, chairman and chief executive officer, stated: ''The success of 'Twin Peaks,' produced by David Lynch and Mark Frost, has prompted the ABC Network to order a full 22 programs for the current season. Our Worldvision subsidiary has acquired the worldwide distribution rights to this property.

''The new one-hour dramatic series entitled 'Beverly Hills 90210,' produced by Torand Productions, a wholly owned subsidiary of Spelling Entertainment Inc., is currently being aired by the Fox Broadcasting Co., which has ordered an additional five episodes for a total of 19 hours.

''Our Laurel Entertainment subsidiary produced 'Tales from the Dark Side: the Movie,' which was among the top 10 grossing movies for four consecutive weeks and has completed production of an additional 24 episodes of its current series, 'Monsters,' bringing the total to 72 episodes.''

Spelling Entertainment is primarily engaged in the development, production and distribution of television series, television series pilots, movies-for-television and television mini-series. It recently announced the formation of a new wholly owned subsidiary, Spelling Films International Inc., to acquire and distribute feature films both theatrically and in home video format in the international marketplace. The company also produces feature films financed and distributed primarily by major studios and licenses music and merchandising rights associated with its television properties.

CONTACT: Spelling Entertainment Inc., Los Angeles

John T. Brady, 213/965-5822
or
Rogers & Cowan Inc., Los Angeles
Tim Scerba, 213/201-8898.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Bell service representatives took the first orders Monday for a floppy disk bill that allows customers to sort and analyze telephone charges using a personal computer.

''The response to our demonstration diskettes the last few weeks have been very positive,'' said Carol Irvin, product manager. ''Customers are excited about the time-saving and money-saving possibilities of Custom Billing Disk.''

Custom Billing Disk is really two diskettes - a billing diskette, which gives raw data of billing detail and charges, and a billing analysis software diskette. Together, the program will produce reports that allow businesses to compare telecommunications expenses month after month, illustrate expenses with both bar graphs and pie charts, produce expense reports for departments and individuals, and create client invoices.

It can also search for unauthorized calls, such as those out of the area, or to a specific prefix such as 976.

One 5 1/4-inch high density diskette will hold approximately 1,200 pages of billing information.

There is a one-time charge of $100 for Custom Billing Disk, with a $15 charge per diskette each month. Most customer bills will fit on one diskette.

Reports can be created that show call length, dollar amounts, dates, time of day and numbers called by area code or by prefix. These criteria can also be combined to further customize the information available from the telephone bill.

Irvin says the data from the reports can be moved to off-the-shelf spreadsheet programs so the telecommunications information is easy to integrate with customers' existing accounting systems.

Long distance charges are also detailed on Custom Billing Disk if Pacific Bell provides billing for the customers' long distance carriers.

Pacific Bell Custom Billing Disk was developed with PereLine Data Systems Inc. San Jose, Calif., which is a leading-edge software company for bill information for the personal computer.

Pacific Bell is a subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, a diversified worldwide telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

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Dianne Wentworth, 415/542-4541 or 415/978-6636 (pager)

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BREA, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - PCC Group Inc. (NASDAQ:PCCG) Monday announced that its board of directors has authorized the purchase of up to 400,000 shares of its common stock.

Purchases by the company will depend on a number of factors, including market price of the company's common shares, the company's business and financial position and general economic and market conditions.

Jack Wen, president of PCC Group noted that, ''We believe that the current market price of the PCC Group's common stock represents an attractive long-term investment opportunity for the company.''

PCC Group is a manufacturer and distributor of micro computer systems, add-in modules, memories, peripheral equipment, accessory products and integrated circuits.

The company operates through eleven distribution facilities nationwide and manufactures and distributes over 35 different hardware products ranging in price from $10 to $10,000. For the nine months ended June 30, 1990, the company reported net sales of $61,009,000 with net income of $959,000, or 43 cents per share, on average shares outstanding of 2,254,962 common shares.

CONTACT: PCC Group Inc., Brea
Jack Wen, 714/256-5000
or
Coffin Communications Group, Sherman Oaks, Calif.
William F. Coffin, 818/789-0300

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DALLAS (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Alfalfa Video Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Super Club Retail Entertainment, has signed a definitive agreement to purchase the 20-unit Movieland video chain operating in Arkansas and Oklahoma.

The stores -- all large, superstore formats -- rent and sell video cassettes and serve cities such as Tulsa and Stillwater, Okla., and Little Rock, Fort Smith and Fayetteville, Ark. Over time, the stores' names will be changed to

Alfalfa.

In making the announcement, Darrell Baldwin, president and chief executive officer of Super Club, said: ''This acquisition will bring the Alfalfa chain to 59 units. Since Super Club acquired Alfalfa in the fall of 1989, the number of stores in the Alfalfa chain increased from 21 to 39 -- which was a growth rate of 85 percent.

''That, I believe is both a testament to Alfalfa's management team and an example of the power of cooperation among the Super Club group of companies. The addition of the Movieland units, I feel, will further enhance the company's momentum.

''Geographically, the movie is consistent with Super Club's pattern of market expansion -- and, as with our other video locations, detailed analyses will be done to determine the suitability of offering audio product to their customers.''

In addition to the Alfalfa chain, Super Club Retail Entertainment owns over 450 audio and video retail stores that operate under the names of Movietime, Movies at Home, Record Bar, Tracks, Turtles and Video Towne Entertainment.

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Landa Miller, 214/701-9929

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RENO, NEV (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Pacific Resources (NYSE:SRP) Monday announced the appointment of Tom Cozens and Mary Simmons as assistant treasurers for the corporation.

Cozens, who was formerly senior financial analyst for Sierra Pacific Resources will be responsible for financial services. He joined the company in 1984. Simmons, who was previously strategic planner for Sierra Pacific Power Co., will be responsible for shareholder relations. She joined the utility in 1985.

Both will report to Dick Schmidt, treasurer and assistant secretary for Sierra Pacific Resources.

CONTACT: Sierra Pacific Resources, Reno Dick Schmidt, 702/689-3620

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SEATTLE (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Washington Federal Savings and Loan Association (OTC: WFSL) Monday announced an 8 percent increase in the association's quarterly cash dividend to 26 cents per share

from 24 cents per share.

The dividend will be payable Jan. 31, 1991, to common stockholders of record on Jan. 15, 1991. This is the association's 32nd consecutive cash dividend.

Elliot K. Knutson, chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''We are pleased to announce another cash dividend increase. This is the 16th time the cash dividend has been increased since Washington Federal became a public stock company on Nov. 17, 1982.''

Washington Federal Savings and Loan Association with headquarters in Seattle, has 63 branch offices in Washington, Idaho and Oregon. The Oregon branches are doing business as Freedom Federal Savings.

CONTACT: Washington Federal Savings and Loan Association, Seattle Bob Hawkins 206/624-7930

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BURLINGAME, CALIF (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Cellular One, (Bay Area Cellular Telephone Co.), Monday announced the debut of ''California Continuous Calling '' the first cellular service offering no call interruptions to users traveling between the Bay Area and Sacramento or Stockton.

''Over 60 percent of all calls placed by our customers traveling outside the Bay Area occur in the Sacramento and Stockton cellular systems,'' said Justin L. Jaschke, president and chief executive officer.

''Our new system advancement eliminates dropped calls between these three systems and moves us one step closer to a future where people take one phone with them wherever they go.''

Prior to ''California Continuous Calling,'' as customers traveled out of the Bay Area to Sacramento or Stockton, their calls would be dropped as they crossed from one cellular system to another. If customers were going to Sacramento, their calls would be dropped in Dixon on Highway 80. Also, their calls would drop at the Altamont Pass in Livermore on Highway 680 if they were enroute to Stockton.

The number of cellular users traveling outside their home service area, or ''roaming,'' has increased dramatically in the past four years. Cellular One estimates that over 175,000 calls per month are made on their system by Sacramento/Stockton customers, while over 120,000 calls per month are made on the Sacramento/Stockton cellular systems by Cellular One customers.

''People want the option to take their businesses with them wherever they go '' said Jaschke. ''Getting systems to work transparently on a regional or

national level by improving roaming, is the first step in achieving a Personal Communications Network.''

Cellular One's unique roaming system, called Super Access, was the first step towards creating this ''seamless'' national cellular network. Activated in 1989, Super Access allows Cellular One customers to place and receive calls in participating cities in California and other states without any complicated dialing procedures.

Cellular One is the Bay Area's leading cellular phone company, servicing over half of the region's approximately 150,000 subscribers. It is the partnership of three major communications companies, including PacTel Cellular, Irvine, Calif.; McCaw Communications, Kirkland, Wash.; and Associated Communications Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa.

CONTACT: Cellular One, Burlingame, Rosemary Jones, 415/268-9500 or Torme & Co., San Francisco Deborah Behrens, 415/956-1791

-30- 2711
#90351b0262 12/17/1990 ~Business Wire
LOS ANGELES (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Westwood One Inc. (NASDAQ:WONE) Monday announced that it has extended its offer to exchange its 9 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2002 for any and all of its 6-3/4 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2011 to midnight EST, on Dec. 21, 1990 unless further extended.

As of 5:30 p.m. EST Dec. 17, 1990, approximately $8.7 million principal amount representing 9 percent of the total principal amount outstanding, of the 6-3/4 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2011 have been tendered. The exchange offer is subject to the terms and conditions of the company's Offering Circular dated Nov. 19, 1990.

All inquiries should be directed to J. Peter Bardwick, vice president - finance at 212/237-2554.

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CAMARILLO, Calif. (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - California Amplifier Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CAMP) Monday reported operating results for the third quarter of fiscal 1991.

Sales for the quarter ended Dec. 1 were $3.8 million, a 22 percent increase when compared with sales of $3.1 million for the like period in the prior year. The company reported a net loss for the quarter of $536,000, or 12

cents per share, which included a one-time charge of $700,000 relating to reserves established for the discontinued defense products business.

This compares with net earnings of $228,000, or 6 cents per share, for the third quarter of the prior fiscal year.

Barry Hall, chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''It should be noted that the significant portion of $700,000 charge will not result in a cash outlay by the company. In fact, since we made the decision to quit the defense product business, nearly $1 million in cash has been provided from sales of equipment and inventories along with royalty payments.

''This money has been reinvested in our commercial product business.''

Hall added: ''We will now concentrate 100 percent of our energies on our commercial products. New product introductions and more emphasis on export sales to foreign markets will help us maintain our sales growth during a downturn in the U.S. economy.''

California Amplifier Inc. designs, manufactures and markets components and integrated subsystems used in microwave telecommunications. Applications for these products include commercial satellite earth stations, home satellite dishes and wireless cable systems.

CALIFORNIA AMPLIFIER INC.
Statements of Operations
(unaudited; in thousands, except per-share data)

	Three Months Ended	
	Dec. 1, 1990	Nov. 30, 1989
Commercial products	$ 3,294	$ 2,225
Defense products	489	864
Total product sales	3,783	3,089
Cost of commercial product sales	2,166	1,372
Cost of defense product sales	1,239	741
Gross profit	378	976
Research and development	139	72
Selling	292	218
General and administrative	446	403
Earnings (loss) from operations	(499)	283
Interest and other, net	48	49
Income taxes	(11)	6
Net earnings (loss)	$ (536)	$ 228
Net earnings (loss) per share	(12 cents)	6 cents
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,423	4,027

Nine Months Ended

	Dec. 1, 1990	Nov. 30, 1989
Commercial products	$ 8,400	$ 5,104
Defense products	2,620	3,276
Total product sales	11,020	8,380
Cost of commercial product sales	5,602	3,175
Cost of defense product sales	3,278	2,742
Gross profit	2,140	2,463
Research and development	221	293
Selling	823	609
General and administrative	1,305	1,245
Earnings (loss) from operations	(209)	316
Interest and other, net	160	127
Income taxes	1	6
Net earnings (loss)	$ (370)	$ 183
Net earnings (loss) per share	(8 cents)	5 cents
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,423	4,027 T

CONTACT: California Amplifier Inc., Camarillo
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SUNNYVALE, Calif. (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Micro Devices Monday filed suit against Cascade Microdevices and a former AMD executive alleging misappropriation of trade secrets, breach of contract, interference with contract, and unfair competition, among other charges.

The suit, which seeks a preliminary and permanent injunction and unspecified monetary damages, was filed in California Superior Court in Santa Clara County.

AMD alleges that Cascade recently hired former AMD executive Ronald Treadway as its vice president of Product Development and that Treadway then proceeded to use AMD confidential and proprietary information to recruit other AMD employees to work for Cascade.

Five of the 16 professional design employees in AMD's Transparent Asynchronous Transceiver Interface (TAXI) chip program have accepted employment with Cascade since Treadway resigned his AMD position. Treadway managed AMD's TAXI program, and was one of three product line managers in AMD's Network Products Division. TAXI chips are key components in many computer network systems.

AMD's complaint alleges that Treadway was intimately familiar with confidential and proprietary information about AMD's patents, technology and product development plans and schedules as well as confidential information about other AMD employees, and that he used this information in a campaign to

recruit key personnel from his former department. Unauthorized use of such information is a violation of state law as well as contractual agreements between AMD and its employees.

''While Advanced Micro Devices strongly supports the entrepreneurial spirit, we cannot tolerate blatant and outrageous interference with our business,'' said W.J. Sanders III, chairman and chief executive officer.

''The actions of the defendants in this case have gone far beyond the permissible limits of fair competition. AMD's TAXI program has already suffered significant damage as a result of Cascade's actions. Further, we are concerned that, without prompt injunctive relief, Cascade Microdevices will use AMD intellectual property, developed at significant cost, to compete unfairly, resulting in irreparable damage to AMD,'' Sanders concluded.

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NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - John C. Warner, chief executive officer of Quiksilver Inc. (NASDAQ:QUIK), Monday announced record fiscal 1990 year end and fourth quarter operating results.

Net income for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990 increased 36 percent to $9,517,000, or $1.50 per share, as compared to net income of $7,002,000, or $1.11 per share, in fiscal 1989. Net sales for the year rose 29 percent to $91,195,000 compared to $70,742,000 last year.

Net income for the fourth quarter increased 18 percent to $1,890,000, or 30 cents per share as compared to $1,596,000, or 25 cents per share in the like quarter last year. Net sales for the quarter rose 17 percent to $18,593,000 compared to $15,914,000 in the like period a year ago.

In reviewing operations, Warner indicated that Quiksilver's record financial performance during the fourth quarter and fiscal 1990 was primarily a result of continued strong demand for the company's product line and its solid leadership position in the marketplace.

Quiksilver Inc. designs, arranges for the manufacture of, and distributes beachwear, skiwear and casual clothing primarily for young men and boys under the Quiksilver lable. The company's products are made primarily in the United States and sold in approximately 2,000 surf shops, specialty stores and selected department store locations.

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FREMONT, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Vitalink Communications Corp., a leading LAN internetworking company, announced Monday that it has promoted three employees to vice president and has created and filled a new vice president position.

The new vice president appointments include vice president of Manufacturing and Service, vice president of Sales, vice president of Marketing, and the newly created position of vice president of Vitalink's Digital Program.

Commenting on this expansion of his executive staff and the promotions, Leslie G. Denend, Vitalink's chief executive officer and president said, ''These changes re-enforce the flatter management organization established in early November and will improve Vitalink's ability to deliver on its product development plans.

Tony Banta, previously the acting vice president of manufacturing and service, has been appointed Manufacturing and Service vice president. A six-year veteran of Vitalink, Banta was assistant vice president of manufacturing before being named acting vice president of manufacturing and service.

Art Klein has been named vice president of sales. Prior to his appointment, Klein, who has been with Vitalink since 1985, was acting vice president of sales.

Maureen Lawrence, previously the assistant vice president of product marketing has been promoted to vice president of marketing. Lawrence, who has been with Vitalink for approximately a year, brings over ten years of data communications marketing experience to this position.

Paul Schaller, a seven-year Vitalink veteran, has been appointed vice president of the Digital Program. Previously the vice president of Marketing, Schaller will now focus on managing and guiding Vitalink's strategic business relationship with Digital Equipment Corp.

With these new appointments, Vitalink's executive staff will include Vice President of Manufacturing and Service, Tony Banta; Vice President of Sales, Art Klein; Vice President of Marketing, Maureen Lawrence; Vice President of Strategic Relations, Terry Lawrence; Vice President of Finance and Administration, Wes Saia; and Vice President of Vitalink's Digital Program, Paul Schaller.

Denend will continue as acting vice president of engineering.

Founded in 1980, Vitalink Communications Corp. manufactures and markets a family of LAN interconnect processors including Ethernet and Token-Ring bridges and bridge/routers, and a comprehensive network management system. Over 16,000 units are installed worldwide, reflecting the company's position as a leading supplier of internetworking systems used to build large, multivendor computer networks.

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THIEF RIVER FALLS, MN (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Arctco Inc. (NASDAQ:ACAT) announced at its annual employee holiday gathering on Dec. 14 that it has changed its production employee bonus policy.

Christopher Twomey, president and chief executive officer, said: ''Due to the hard work and dedication of our employees, Arctco has continued to grow. I am pleased to report that we continue to expect our sales to surpass the record levels we achieved in fiscal 1990.

''However, at this time, given the uncertain economic and snow conditions as well as competitive pressures, we are unable to predict the company's year-end operating results, although we feel that total profits will be equal to or greater than last year.

''Therefore, bonuses paid to production employees will be equal to last year's and dependent upon fiscal year-end results, additional bonuses to production employees will be considered.''

The company's fiscal 1991 year ends on March 31, 1991.

Arctco Inc. designs, engineers, manufactures and markets a full line of snowmobiles and related parts, garments and accessories under the Arctic Cat and Arcticwear brand names.

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AVENEL, NJ (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Concord Camera Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS Symbol: LENS) Monday announced it has formed a wholly- owned subsidiary, Concord Camera U.K. Limited, to market and distribute Concord products throughout the United Kingdom effective January 1, 1991.

Concord Camera U.K. Limited will enable Concord Camera Corp. to have complete control over marketing, distribution and all operational activities conducted in the U.K. Previously, Concord had been utilizing the services of an outside distribution organization. Based on the Company's success with its current wholly-owned subsidiaries in Canada and Germany, Concord anticipates that U.K. operations will also generate additional sales and profits for the Company.

Concord Camera Corp. is principally engaged in the manufacture and sale of inexpensive 35 millimeter and 110 cartridge cameras which it manufactures and assembles in the People's Republic of China under the Concord and Argus (TM) trademarks as well as under private label. To a lesser extent, the Company also manufactures car stereo equalizers and computer components at its PRC facilities under contract manufacturing agreements with two U.S. corporations. The Company sells and markets its camera products worldwide through direct sales offices in the U.S., Canada, Germany, Hungary, Hong Kong, the U.K. and through agents.

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EMERYVILLE, CALIF. (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Farallon Computing, Inc. and Apple Computer, Inc. Monday announced they have signed a long term licensing agreement that will enable Farallon to develop and market AppleTalk networking products for Microsofts MS-DOS and Windows 3.0 platforms.

Farallon, the maker of the popular PhoneNET networking system, plans to build on the licensed Apple technology to develop networking products that will be marketed and licensed under the Farallon PhoneNET System name.

The licensing agreement is another step that helps establish the AppleTalk networking protocols as a consistent multiplatform networking standard. In order to insure consistency for the AppleTalk standard on the MS-DOS and Windows platforms, Farallon will also sublicense its work to other MS-DOS and Windows vendors.

Farallon, a long-time AppleTalk advocate, enhanced the benefits of AppleTalk by offering users improved network management and scalability. The companys PhoneNET System enables users to easily expand LocalTalk networks from two nodes up to tens of thousands of nodes.

Together, Apple and Farallon have succeeded in providing flexible, modular Macintosh computer networks that grow with an organization, no matter how large it becomes. The new licensing agreement means AppleTalk customers will soon have access to an even wider variety of connectivity solutions and superior networking applications.

''AppleTalk is a sophisticated protocol suite that offers technological advantages to our customers,'' said Reese Jones, founder and president of Farallon.

Farallon Computing is the leading provider of unshielded twisted-pair networks in businesses, universities and government agencies around the world. Currently, there are more than 1.5 million PhoneNET System nodes -- twice as many installations as that for any other unshielded twisted-pair LAN. Farallon has received several U.S. patents covering its PhoneNET Connector and StarController technology. The privately held company produces personal communications products and technologies.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - AirSensors Inc. (NASDAQ:ARSN) announced Monday revenues for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $7,269,519 with a net loss of $480,565, or 3 cents per common share, as compared to revenues of $7,303,331 with a net loss of $776,901, or 4 cents per common share, for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989.

The revenues for second quarter 1990 represent an increase of approximately 8 percent over the first quarter 1990. This is primarily a result of the Middle East crisis and the dramatically increased gasoline prices attendant thereto. The company's business has historically been driven by the economic savings obtained from the disparity between the prices of gasoline and propane.

Funds from the PGAC agreement were received during the quarter ($295,000) and conversion of the demonstration vehicles has commenced. President Martin stated, ''The timing of the agreement is most beneficial to the company, especially with the enactment of the Federal Clean Air Bill. With the

enactment of the Federal Clean Air Bill and in the face of the Middle East crisis, the company's products and technology will make it a front runner in the alternative fuels conversion equipment market.''

AirSensors' subsidiary, IMPCO Technologies Inc., is a leading manufacturer of products for the alternative fuel equipment market. IMPCO has a dominant share of the domestic market and a significant share of the international market for propane and natural gas systems used in automotive, material handling, industrial and small engine industries. It also designs and develops engine management systems for internal combustion engines.

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VAN NUYS, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Superior Industries International Inc. (NYSE:SUP) announced Monday that it will distribute a regular quarterly cash dividend on the common stock of the corporation in the amount of 7 cents per share payable on Jan. 18, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Jan. 4, 1991.

A recognized leader in its field, Superior Industries International supplies cast aluminum wheels for Ford and General Motors, and the overseas market, along with other products, and also serves the national automotive aftermarket with a broad range of accessory and RV products.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - ASK Computer Systems Inc. (OTC:ASKI) Monday announced the completion of the acquisition of Ingres Corp.

The acquisition was completed by the merger of Palette ACQ Corp., a subsidiary of ASK, into Ingres, with Ingres becoming a wholly owned subsidiary of ASK. The merger was effective on Dec. 14, 1990.

Under the terms of the merger agreement, all of the outstanding shares of Ingres not held by ASK or Palette have been converted into the right to receive $9.25 per share cash. Letters of transmittal for Ingres stockholders to exchange their Ingres stock certificates for the merger price are expected to be mailed next week.

The acquisition of Ingres was effected in a two-step transaction: a tender offer by Palette and ASK for all of the outstanding shares of Ingres and the merger announced Monday. Under the tender offer, which was completed on Oct. 19, 1990, approximately 94 percent of the outstanding shares of Ingres were tendered and purchased for $9.25 per share. The total price paid for Ingres shares was approximately $112 million.

The merger was financed, in part, by a $30 million term loan and a $36 million loan from the Chase Manhattan Bank N.A. under a $45 million revolving credit facility. These loans replaced a previous loan by Chase to finance, in part, the purchase of Ingres shares through the tender offer.

ASK Computer Systems Inc. is a leading provider of management information systems, relational databases and application development tools. With nearly $400 million in revenue, ASK is one of the 10 largest software suppliers worldwide. The new corporation is poised to become the leading provider of software for client-server computing.

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CUPERTINO, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Tandem Computers Inc. (NYSE:TDM) Monday announced that it has signed two distributors, SID Informatica and ENSEC Security Systems and Engineering Inc., to sell its products to the Brazilian marketplace beginning in January 1991.

Each distributor has a strong presence in key market segments requiring online transaction processing (OLTP) capabilities. SID will market to the finance and retail industries. ENSEC will focus marketing efforts on government and manufacturing industries.

Tandem products offered by these distributors will include the NonStop Cyclone mainframe and NonStop CLX systems. Additionally, ENSEC will offer the Integrity S2, a fault-tolerant, UNIX System V computer to its targeted market segments.

SID and ENSEC will also be responsible for the installation, training, consulting and maintenance of software applications developed by members of the Tandem Alliance, a program to encourage the development of application software for Tandem computer systems.

''Brazil is a strategic new high-growth market for online transaction processing with a $7 billion information technology industry,'' said Michael C. Moore, vice president of the Tandem Intercontinental Division.

''SID and ENSEC will allow Tandem to deliver more effectively our unique OLTP technology to large Brazilian businesses and government organizations requiring fault tolerance, data integrity, continuous availability and database management.''

SID Informatica is the fifth largest computer company in Brazil with annual revenues of $130 million. Headquartered in Sao Paulo, SID employs over 2,000 people.

ENSEC is a high-growth company with annual revenues of $51 million. Also headquartered in Sao Paulo, this seven-year-old company employs 300 people.

Tandem Computers Inc. manufactures and markets fault tolerant computer systems online transaction processing systems, and enterprise networks.

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MISSION VIEJO, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Strategic Acquisitions Inc. announced that it has settled two lawsuits that were pending with James Boris and Trio Metal Stampings Inc., a California corporation (''Trio-California'').

The lawsuits resulted from disputes regarding the merger of Boris' company, Trio-California, with Strategic's wholly owned subsidiary corporation, Trio Metal Stampings Inc., a Nevada corporation (''Trio-Nevada'').

The terms of the settlement provide for or will result in: (i) the dismissal of the actions pending in California and Nevada; (ii) the cancellation, rescission, and/or termination of the transaction in which Trio-California was acquired by Trio-Nevada; (iii) the mutual release of the parties from all claims or liabilities they may have against each other except for certain intercorporate operational claims or claims that relate to a Trio-California certificate of deposit, granted as collateral for a short-term loan made to ViaTool Corp. (''ViaTool'') prior to the merger of Strategic and ViaTool; (iv) the cancellation of the 4 million shares of Strategic common stock issued to Boris in the acquisition; (v) the agreement to submit various minor contractual disputes relating to Strategic's business with Trio-California to binding arbitration if not otherwise resolved within 30 days; (vi) Mr. Meeker's resignation from the board of directors of Trio-California; (vii) changing the name of Trio-Nevada to a name that is dissimilar from Trio Metal Stampings; (viii) the continuation until August 1991 of the bank arrangements under which Trio-California granted a $100,000 certificate of deposit for use as collateral for a short-term loan to Strategic as the successor to ViaTool; and (ix) the retention by Boris of 60,000 shares of Strategic's common stock

and 900,000 Strategic warrants purchased by him in the open market early in 1990.

Strategic also announced it has entered into a letter of intent for the acquisition of UGARD Inc. (''UGARD''). The acquisition will involve the issuance of 1.1 million shares of Strategic common stock in exchange for all of the issued and outstanding shares of UGARD stock, and is expected to be closed in January 1991.

UGARD is a privately held company that holds patents and has patents pending on a line of digitally accessed security products. UGARD has an order for approximately $450,000 of its products that is expected to be produced and shipped during the first quarter of 1991.

Several of the components necessary to the UGARD products will be produced by Strategic. Management believes that the acquisition of UGARD complements the company's business, and that there is significant market potential for the UGARD products. Management intends to initiate efforts to further develop that market potential.

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VERNON HILLS, ILL. (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Scotsman Industries, Inc. (NYSE: SCT) Monday announced that its board of directors has declared a quarterly dividend of 2 1/2 cents per share on the company's outstanding common stock.

The dividend is payable January 15, 1991, to shareholders of record December 28, 1990.

Scotsman Industries, Inc. is a market leader in the manufacture of commercial refrigeration products, with a primary focus on the food service industry. The global manufacturing and marketing of ice machines is the largest component of Scotsman Industries' business.

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EAST ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - MOSCOM Corporation (NASDAQ NMS:MSCM) Monday announced that it has entered into a definitive agreement to acquire all of the assets of Auditech Communications, Inc. of Bothell, Washington.

In addition, MOSCOM will acquire other assets related to Auditech's business from Auditech's parent company, Promatek Industries, Ltd. of Montreal, Canada.

Auditech had sales in 1990 of approximately $1 million. The purchase price to MOSCOM will be an undisclosed amount. It is anticipated that closing will occur early in January, 1991.

Auditech has two product lines which will be acquired by MOSCOM. The principal product, the TDR call accounting system which is a stand-alone proprietary hardware system for businesses and hotels with up to 1,000 extensions is presently distributed by Pactel Business Systems, Northern Telecom, Inc., several United telephone companies, NEDCO, Graybar Electric, North Supply and Alltel Supply and other dealers in the U.S. and Canada. Since its introduction, over 2,000 TDR units have been sold by Auditech.

Auditech's second product line is an automated attendant voice mail system for small and medium-sized businesses. Introduced in August, 1990, Auditech's VM line has been well received by both users and distributors. North Supply, Graybar Electric and Alltel Supply carry the product today and several other large potential distributors currently have it under evaluation.

Commenting on the acquisition, Albert J. Montevecchio, MOSCOM's President said, ''We have long respected Auditech as an aggressive competitor with innovative, reliable products. Auditech's distribution strategy also fits perfectly with MOSCOM's own. This is a very attractive opportunity to expand our market with proven products.''

John Parkin, President of Auditech, added, ''We at Auditech are excited by the prospect of having the marketing, technical and financial strength of MOSCOM behind us. The combined companies will be stronger than either is alone.'' After the acquisition, Mr. Parkin will remain with MOSCOM in a sales management position.

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MENLO PARK, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Liposome Technology Inc. (NASDAQ:LTIZ), a California-based pharmaceutical company, Monday announced the completion of a layoff of 18 fulltime employees.

The layoff was due to the need to concentrate the company's financial resources on the clinical development of LTI's leading products and on demonstrations of the clinical utility of its Stealth technology.

Located in Menlo Park, LTI currently is developing injectable doxorubicin for anticancer therapy, injectable amphotericin B colloidal dispersion for systemic antifungal therapy, and inhaled albuterol to treat asthma and bronchitis.

The company's second-generation product focus is on utilizing LTI's long-circulating Stealth liposomes to target injectable oncology drugs to tumors and to deliver therapeutic proteins and peptides.

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EMERYVILLE, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Cetus Corp. (NASDAQ:CTUS) announced Monday that EuroCetus International, N.V., an affiliated company, had exercised a purchase option for all the limited partners' interests in Cetus Healthcare Limited Partnership II, a California limited partnership, formed in 1986 to develop and market in Europe certain products for the treatment of cancer and serious infectious disease.

The company said the option was exercised for $4,267,125 in cash and 1,051,750 shares of Cetus common stock. In addition to their share of this payment, former partners are entitled to receive a pro rata share of a fixed percentage of the net sales of certain products in Europe, less a credit for the initial payment, through Dec. 31, 2005.

Products of the CHLP II partnership included Proleukin interleukin-2, Proleukin-PEG, and Macrolin macrophage-colony stimulating factor.

Proleukin is currently approved for marketing in nine European countries -- Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands and Spain -- for the treatment of metastatic renal cell carcinoma.

EuroCetus submitted a second filing, for subcutaneous administration of Proleukin in combination with alpha interferon, with European Community (EC) regulatory authorities earlier this year, and the subsidiary also plans to submit another application for the treatment of melanoma.

Proleukin also is being studied for the treatment of other cancers, including ovarian, bladder and colorectal and certain lymphomas.

Proleukin-PEG is the subject of human clinical studies for the treatment of

AIDS, hepatitis and severe combined immunodeficiency syndrome (SCIDS). Macrolin is in human clinical studies and may be useful for the treatment of infectious diseases in immunocompromised patients, in cancer and in wound healing.

At Sept. 30, 1990, Cetus had cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities of $141,490,000 and 31,484,936 shares outstanding.

Cetus Corp. applies the tools of biotechnology and the science of immunology to the development of novel pharmaceutical products. The company is also developing several commercial applications of its GeneAmp polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technology.

Business collaborations with other firms are an important part of the company's business strategy both in pharmaceuticals and in PCR. Founded in 1971, Cetus is based in Emeryville, and also operates EuroCetus in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Homestake Mining Co. (NYSE:HM) announced that it will take a fourth quarter charge of approximately $34 million, or 35 cents per share, primarily due to a write-down of the company's investment in its Canadian subsidiary, North American Metals Corp. (NAM).

The charge will result in a loss from Homestake's continuing operations for the year. However, the loss will be more than offset by income of $49 million from discontinued operations which includes the gain from the sale of the company's base metals operations recorded earlier in 1990.

The write-down was made after a review of revenues and expenses projected over the known remaining reserve life of NAM's principal property, the Golden Bear mine, located in northwestern British Columbia.

The Golden Bear operation has experienced a series of cost overruns, start-up difficulties and technical production problems since commencing operations in January 1990. Recently the ore roaster had to be redesigned and rebuilt in order to correct design defects.

As a result of these factors, based on current proven and probable reserves, a substantial increase in gold prices above current levels would be required to permit recovery of the company's remaining investment.

In April 1988, Homestake acquired 73.3 percent of the common stock of NAM for

$24 million. After the acquisition, Homestake has made additional advances to NAM totalling $38 million.

Homestake Mining Co. is an international gold mining company holding significant interests in the United States, Australia, Chile and Canada.

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WARSAW, IN (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Biomet Inc. (NASDAQ:BMET) Monday announced that its Board of Directors has declared a two-for-one stock split on its outstanding Common Shares, to be distributed on or about January 14, 1991 to shareholders of record as of December 31, 1990.

The Board's decision to approve the two-for-one stock split reflects its continued optimism for Biomet's future growth opportunities, and is further reinforced by the Company's solid financial performance during the first six months of its fiscal year 1991.

Biomet Inc. and its subsidiaries design, manufacture and market products used primarily by orthopedic medical specialists in both surgical and non-surgical therapy, including reconstructive and trauma devices, electrical bone growth and neuromuscular stimulators, orthopedic support devices, operating room supplies, powered surgical instruments and arthroscopy products. Biomet and its subsidiaries currently operate manufacturing and/or office facilities in Warsaw and Indianapolis, Indiana; Parsippany, New Jersey; San Dimas, California; Guaynabo, Puerto Rico; Bridgend, South Wales and Swindon, England. The Company currently distributes its products in approximately 100 countries.

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COLUMBIA, SC (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Colonial Companies Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CLACB) Monday announced that the board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on both Class A and Class B common stock of 16 cents per share, payable Feb. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record as of the close of business on Jan. 11, 1991.

Colonial Companies Inc. is a holding company whose shares are traded on the National Market System with the NASDAQ Symbol CLACB. Its principal subsidiary is Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Company, which operates in 49 states and underwrites a broad line of personal accident, life, and cancer insurance

policies.

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BOSTON (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - United Asset Management Corp. (UAM) announced Monday that its board of directors voted to declare a quarterly dividend on its common stock of $.115 per share, payable Jan. 15, 1991 to stockholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

Norton H. Reamer, president of UAM, said, ''Our substantial Operating Cash Flow (Cash flow provided by operations before working capital changes) has enabled us to significantly increase UAM's quarterly dividend over the last three years. We believe that regular dividend payments are a way to demonstrate the strength of this cash flow.''

United Asset Management Corp. provides investment management services, primarily to institutional clients, through 24 operating firms which image manage $41 billion for 3,700 clients located throughout the United States and abroad.

UAM is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, Ticker Symbol: UAM.

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VAN NUYS, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Martin Lawrence Limited Editions Inc. (NYSE: MLLE) announced that on Friday, the federal district court located in Los Angeles removed the temporary restraining order it had issued on Dec. 7, which had prohibited the company from delivering the serigraph ''Snowy Night Swing'' by Hiromichi Yamagata to any of MLLE's customers who had purchased the work.

The court also denied plaintiff Hard Rock Cafe Licensing Corp.'s request for a preliminary injunction. ''Snowy Night Swing,'' which has an edition size of 555 pieces and sells at a retail price of approximately $3,800, is published by MLLE. MLLE first began selling the serigraph earlier this month. MLLE will immediately resume shipments of ''Snowy Night Swing'' to its customers.

Hard Rock Cafe Licensing Corp. (HRC) filed the action seeking the temporary restraining order on Dec. 6, asserting that the work of art violates HRC's trademark rights. The serigraph contains the image of an inverted teapot with

the words ''Hard Rock Cafe'' displayed on it. HRC has filed a notice of appeal in this action.

MLLE intends to vigorously defend against the appeal if it is pursued by HRC.

Martin S. Blinder, MLLE's chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated that: ''This decision represents a tremendous victory for the First Amendment rights of artists to publish and sell their works of art. We are very pleased that the public will be able to continue to own and enjoy Mr. Yamagata's ''Snowy Night Swing'' as well as other works of art that depict contemporary life and culture.''

MLLE does not know what effect, if any, the temporary restraining order, which was in force for one week, will have on its earnings for the fourth quarter of 1990. However, MLLE has incurred substantial legal fees in this unwarranted litigation and has suffered a tremendous drain on management resources since Dec. 5, when this case began.

MLLE is an integrated publisher, retailer and wholesaler of limited edition serigraphs, lithographs, sculptures and other works of fine art created by internationally renowned and emerging artists.

MLLE also purchases, for resale, original works of art, as well as limited edition works by recognized artists not published by the company.

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NEW ORLEANS (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (NYSE:FTX) announced Monday that it intends by mid-1991 to sell at least $750 million of assets.

The proceeds will be used to reduce consolidated debt. These proceeds will be realized from the sale of at least $600 million of oil and gas properties and from the reduction in Freeport-McMoRan Copper Co. Inc.'s (NYSE:FCX) ownership in Freeport Indonesia Inc. (FI) from 91.1 percent to 80 percent. FTX has retained Lehman Brothers to conduct the oil and gas property sales.

During 1990, FCX acquired approximately 5.7 percent of the then outstanding common shares of FI increasing its ownership from 85.4 percent to 91.1 percent.

The reduction in FCX's ownership in FI to 80 percent will be a requirement of the new Contract of Work currently in the final stages of negotiation with the Government of Indonesia, which, upon execution, requires 10 percent of FI common stock to be sold to Indonesian investors and for the Government of

Indonesia to increase its existing 8.9 percent ownership in FI to 10 percent.

The sale price of these FI shares is to be based on the market price of FCX at the time of sale which is expected to occur during the first quarter of 1991. The new Contract of Work will be for a 30 year term, with extensions permitted and will include the 6.1 million acres to which FI was granted the exclusive exploration rights last year.

FTX estimates that its outstanding long-term debt at Dec. 31,1990 will be approximately $1.6 billion before giving effect to the sale of these additional assets. As stated above, FTX will use the net proceeds from these asset sales to reduce its consolidated debt.

In addition, FTX has the right to call its 8-3/4 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2013 in June, 1991, of which approximately $215 million of these debentures are now outstanding.

Approximately $300 million of FTX's $1.6 billion consolidated debt estimated at Dec. 31, 1990, will be nonrecourse financing associated with the copper/gold Grasberg development in Indonesia.

FTX is a leader in the exploration, mining, development, production, processing and marketing of natural resources. The company's products include sulphur, phosphate rock, phosphate fertilizers, oil and natural gas, copper, gold and other natural resources.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - General Cinema Corp. (NYSE:GCN) Monday announced that its board of directors has authorized a stock repurchase program of up to 10 million shares of the company's common stock.

General Cinema has 73.8 million common and common equivalent shares outstanding.

Richard A. Smith, chairman and chief executive officer, said that any repurchases would be made from time to time in open market and privately negotiated transactions over an undetermined period of time, depending on market conditions. Smith also said that no assurance could be given that the company would repurchase all of the shares authorized for repurchase.

General Cinema operates one of the largest theatre circuits in the United States and is a leading specialty retailer through The Neiman Marcus Group.

The company holds approximately $1.63 billion in short-term investments.

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WAYNE, PA (DEC. 16) BUSINESS WIRE - American Film Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:AFTI) and Marvel Productions jointly announced a contract for the first animated television series to be produced without cels, ink or paper.

Marvel Productions awarded this contract to AFT for 13, 22-minute episodes of ''Attack of the Killer Tomatoes,'' a popular Saturday morning cartoon show. Marvel will provide the script, storyboard, layouts and audio track and AFT will perform all animation and coloring, special effects and quality control using its state-of-the-art ''paperless'' animation technology.

The value of this contract for the first 13 episodes is approximately $2 million. Production is scheduled to begin on Jan. 3, 1991. Marvel also has the option for AFT to provide animation services for an additional five years. If the options are exercised, the value of this contract would be $10 million.

In addition to producing paperless animation, American Film Technologies is the leader in the business of color-converting black-and-white motion pictures.

Marvel Productions is a leading producer of animation programming for the networks and syndicated television. ''Attack of the Killer Tomatoes'' is a highly-successful series which has experienced high ratings and was recently renewed for a second season by the Fox Children's Network.

In addition to Attack of the Killer Tomatoes, Marvel produces the award-winning ''Muppet Babies'' for CBS and ''Kid 'n' Play'' for NBC.

Marvel has also entered into an exclusive arrangement with the 20th Century Fox film company to produce anmiated theatrical shorts. Marvel President and CEO Joe Taritero said, ''The AFT system is ideal for the production of classical theatrical full animation.''

American Film Technologies' completely digital animation process has the look and feel of classic animation, explained George R. Jensen Jr., AFT chairman and CEO. Special effects, blurs and fades, which are cost prohibitive or technically impossible to produce using traditional animation can be easily achieved with AFT's technology.

AFT can produce television and feature film animation, which can be combined with live-action or traditional animation. AFT's technology has virtually limitless application for all television and motion picture special effects,

Jensen said.

AFT's colorimaging technology offers 16.7 million colors. The color elements of an animated project can be automatically changed by AFT computers, a very difficult task with hand-colored animation because each cel would have to be repainted and reshot. In addition, highly advanced shadings, shadowings and other looks can be added, which are very expensive to produce with hand-drawn cels.

The ability of AFT's computers to catalogue the motions of a cartoon character enables the company to archive this digital information for additional series episodes, eliminating additional costs for redrawing and re-animating the character using traditional animation.

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POMPANO BEACH, FL (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Club Theatre Network (NASDAQ:HDTV) Monday announced the debut of a music video it produced called ''Thoughts on the Flag'' on Turner Nashville Network last Friday.

The video stars Tommy Cash and features country legends Johnny Cash and Tom T. Hall, who wrote the song.

The video was produced by the company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Media Productions Inc., and directed by award winning Cinematographer/Director David Schweitzer of Milestone Fioms.

Under the terms of its agreement with Jalo Corp., parent company of Playback Records, who produced the recording ''Thoughts on the Flag,'' Media Productions will recoup its production costs and retain a royalty interest on every tape, record, compact disc and cassette ever sold. Media Productions also holds the rights to convert the video, which was shot on film, to high definition videotape.

Club Theatre Network is the only company in the Western World with the capability to convert film to high definition television programming. The company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Media Productions Inc., operates a complete television and film production and post production facility.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - National Medical Enterprises Inc. (NYSE/PSE/LoSE:NME) Monday reported the opening of three psychiatric hospitals located in Indiana, Kansas and California, constituting an investment of $32.2 million.

The company also announced the dedication of an alcohol and substance abuse treatment center in Seattle. Terms were not disclosed.

Norman A. Zober, president of NME's Specialty Hospital Group, noted that the company's Psychiatric Institutes of America (PIA) subsidiary also expanded six existing facilities, adding a total of 88 beds representing an investment of approximately $6.7 million.

The expansions included: 41 beds to Great Plains Hospital in Lawton, Okla.; nine beds to The Psychiatric Institute of Washington D.C.; three beds to Psychiatric Institute of Atlanta; nine beds to Springwood Psychiatric Institute in Leesburg, Va.; eight beds to Laurel Heights Hospital in Atlanta; and 18 beds to RiverHills Hospital in Prescott, Wis.

''PIA's construction of these facilities and its expansions represent our continuing commitment to provide strong programmatic psychiatric care for adults, adolescents and children,'' Zober said.

''In recent years, the demand for these services has increased, paralleling growth in the use of sophisticated technology for diagnosis and psychopharmacological advances leading to quantifiable results of treatment.''

PIA currently operates 72 freestanding psychiatric hospitals in 26 states with approximately 6,100 beds, while RCA operates 13 freestanding alcohol and substance abuse facilities in nine states with approximately 670 beds. Their parent company, NME, one of the nation's largest health care services companies, also operates acute and physical rehabilitative hospitals throughout the United States and internationally.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Medco Research Inc. (NASDAQ: MEDR, BSE: BRE.B) reported that its net losses for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Aug. 31 were substantially lower than for the comparable periods of the previous fiscal year.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990, total revenues were $435,378 and the net loss was $80,641, as compared to total revenues of $47,958 and a net loss of $236,024 for the fourth quarter of the previous fiscal year.

Adenocard net sales in the United States by Medco's North American licensee, Fujisawa USA Inc. (Fujisawa), for the fourth quarter amounted to approximately $1,648,000 (an annualized rate of $6,592,000).

Audited results for fiscal year 1990 reflected total revenues of $898,171 and a net loss of $690,377, or 8 cents per share, as compared to total revenues of $210,338 and a net loss of $1,010,406, or 12 cents per share, for fiscal year 1989.

Adenocard net sales in the United States by Fujisawa for the nine-month period from December 1989 through August 1990 were $3,109,465.

During fiscal year 1990, Medco made the transition from a development stage company to a company generating royalty revenue when, in December 1989, Fujisawa commenced the marketing in the United States of Medco's new drug, Adenocard, for the treatment of paroxysmal supraventricular tachycardia.

Medco is involved in the research and development of new prescription drugs, primarily for the diagnosis and treatment of cardiovascular diseases. Medco's new drug, Adenocard, is currently under review by the FDA for use as an adjunct to thallium myocardial perfusion scintigraphy in patients unable to adequately exercise.

Medco is also clinically developing a number of other new compounds for diagnostic and therapeutic indications.

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TULSA, OK (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - ORS Corp. (NASDAQ:ORSC) Monday announced the completion of an engineering design for the installation of its EM Process on a three-well pilot project for Lagoven S.A., the largest of the operating affiliates of PDVSA, the Venezuelan national oil company.

The three wells will be drilled in the Cerro Negro field located in the Orinico Belt region and is in association with Lagoven's effort to increase

its production of Orimulsion. Orimulsion is a fuel oil substitute made from extra heavy oil called bitumen and is designed for use in fire electrical generating plants. Venezuela has at least 270 billion barrels of bitumen reserves in its Orinico belt.

ORS also announced the completion of an installation of its EM Process on a well for Norcen Energy Resources Ltd. of Calgary, and a contract for a well with Petro-Canada Resources, Canada's federally owned oil company. These two companies are now added to the company's client list, which includes Amoco, Texaco, Marathon, Shell and Petrobras, among others.

ORS also announced a successful conclusion of its test project with Royal Dutch Shell in Holland, and that an additional project will be started in the fall of 1991.

Contracts and installations of the EM Process are managed through ORS Corp.'s majority-owned operating affiliate, EOR International Inc., from its office in Calgary, where it markets services and systems for electromagnetic stimulation of oil and gas wells worldwide.

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MURFREESBORO, TN (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - National HealthCorp L.P. (ASE:NHC) one of the nation's largest providers of long-term health care, will pay a cash distribution of 30 cents per unit to unitholders of record on Dec. 31 and payable on Feb. 15.

''This distribution is the final cash distribution which relates to 1990 earnings,'' NHC President W. Andrew Adams said.

NHC, a publicly traded limited partnership, now operates 78 health care centers with a total of 9,479 beds. The company's other services for the nation's elderly include Alzheimer's units, retirement apartments and homecare.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Management Technologies, a developer of

software for international wholesale banking, has licensed its full ManTec system to Nova Bank of Ljubljana, Yugoslavia, for 230,000 pounds, or approximately $448,000.

The ManTec integrated mainframe system processes Foreign Exchange, Money Market, Commercial Loans, Credit Management and payments. MTI earned $408,000 in the first half of its 1991 fiscal year.

Management Technologies trades on NASDAQ under the symbols MTCI for common stock and MTCIW for warrants.

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CLINTON, NJ (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Generadores de Vapor Foster Wheeler, S.A., (GDV) a Madrid-based subsidiary of Foster Wheeler Corp., has contracted to participate with Babcock & Wilcox Espanola, S.A. in the turnkey supply of a $137-million 50 MWe power plant in Spain.

The plant, which will be equipped with a circulating fluidized bed boiler, will be located at La Pereda, Asturias in a facility of HUNOSA (E. N. Hulleras del Norte, S.A.), the Spanish national mining company. Completion is scheduled for May 1993.

GDV will perform engineering, supply boiler components and provide construction and startup assistance. The unit will be fueled by mixtures of coal, coal wastes and timber shavings. U.S.-based Foster Wheeler Energy Corp. will participate in the basic boiler design. GDV's contract is valued at $8.9 million.

The European Economic Community Coal Development Demonstration Program and the Spanish government are providing partial financial support for the project.

Foster Wheeler Corp. is a worldwide organization offering a broad range of design, engineering, construction, manufacturing, management, real estate and environmental services. GDV and Foster Wheeler Energy Corp. are members of the parent's Energy Equipment Group. Foster Wheeler Corp. and Foster Wheeler Energy Corp. are headquartered at Clinton.

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LAGRANGEVILLE, NY (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Command Security Corp. (NASDAQ:CMMD) announced that it has signed a service contract with Gallione Security Services Inc. headquartered in Florida, with offices in New Jersey and New York.

Command will provide payroll, billing and accounts receivable servicing for a percentage of gross revenues. Gallione Security has gross annual revenues of approximately $3 million. William C. Vassell, president of Command, said, ''Gallione Security is an aggressive regional security company with an excellent reputation on the east coast.''

Command Security Corp. provides security services through company-owned offices in New York and Connecticut and provides back-office service agreements to independent security companies nationwide. Command is the 33rd largest security company in the United States as reported by the Security Letter Source Book 1990-1991.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Heritage Entertainment Inc. (ASE:HHH) announced that the company has, subject to definitive documentation, reached an agreement in principal to the general terms of a proposed business combination with the Samuel Goldwyn Co. under terms similar to those previously announced.

The combination will be consummated pursuant to a reorganization of Heritage under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code.

The company's inability to repay its permanent lending facility before its expiration on the close of business on Dec. 14, necessitates a filing to reorganize under Chapter 11. The company, through its executive committee as debtor in possession, will forthwith propose the combination with Goldwyn as a Plan of Reorganization.

The company anticipates emerging from Chapter 11 as soon as the plan is approved. Complete details of the merger will be made public concurrently with the filing of the plan, which is expected to be submitted shortly.

It is currently anticipated that upon implementation of the plan, the current Heritage public shareholders would receive 8.5 million shares out of a total of 118 million shares to be outstanding in the merged company. Such amounts are subject to the Bankruptcy Court and creditor approval, as well as to adjustments under certain terms and conditions.

The company's subsidiary motion picture theater operations have not sought bankruptcy protection at this time and will continue to operate under existing management. Christmas bookings for the theaters include Godfather III, Edward Scissorhands, Dances with Wolves, Cyrano and others.

Upon acceptance of the plan and the implementation thereof, the company will be known as the Samuel Goldwyn Co.

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NEW ORLEANS (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Tidewater Inc. (NYSE:TDW) announced Monday, that it's marine service division, Tidewater Marine Service Inc., has signed two multi-year contracts that will place 41 pieces of inland towing equipment in service in West Africa.

The first contract, signed with Noble Bawden Drilling (West Africa), Ltd., calls for Tidewater to provide 31 tugs and barges to service four marsh drilling rigs. The second contract, with Sedco Forex International Inc., provides 10 tugs and barges to service one marsh rig. All five rigs are contracted to Shell Oil of Nigeria under long-term arrangements.

According to Tidewater Chairman, President and Chief Executive John P. Laborde the two contracts involve a total of 15 tugs and 26 barges. ''The equipment will come from a group of recently acquired tugs and barges and from Tidewater's Gulf of Mexico based inland towing operations, Tidewater Marine Towing,'' said Laborde. ''But,''he added, ''Tidewater fully intends to remain active in inland towing operations on the Gulf Coast.''

The towing equipment is being transported to Nigeria in three separate loads aboard heavy lift ships. The first shipment departed the Gulf Coast on Dec. 9 1990, and the mobilization of all remaining equipment will be completed by mid February 1991.

Tidewater owns and operates one of the largest fleets of vessels serving the offshore international energy industry and owns and operates one of the largest fleets of natural gas and air compression fleets in the United States. The company also has modest interests in oil and gas, insurance and real estate.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Petrotechnical Open Software Corp. (POSC), a not-for-profit, membership corporation founded by five major oil companies, is in the start-up phase of operations in Houston.

POSC intends to build a worldwide partnership between the customers and the suppliers of technical software for the oil industry. POSC's mission is to develop and deliver a software integration platform that will be the common reference of the international exploration and production industry. The benefit for all members will be the opening and extension of the E&P software market and the ability to focus on business added value.

''The formation of POSC will provide a cooperative vehicle for applications suppliers and consumers to achieve the most effective and efficient platform to serve the industry,'' said Dan Turner, president and chief executive officer of POSC.

The corporation will focus on the specifications of an integrated logical data model, an application programming interface, a common look and feel user front-end, and a set of test suites to certify compliance branding of vendor software. POSC will work with the industry through an open, independent process to achieve this goal, and will promote relevant research and development.

''The purpose of POSC is to help make the industry more efficient by allowing companies to allocate their resources on their own, independent E&P efforts, rather than on integrating different software packages,'' said Turner.

The founding sponsors of POSC, BP Exploration, Chevron, Elf Aquitaine, Mobil Exploration and Producing and Texaco, have appointed representatives to the POSC board of directors and the board has elected the corporations officers.

Membership in POSC is open to all, including corporations, business entities, not-for-profit organizations, government agencies and academic institutions. Membership fees are tiered to allow small companies to pay less than large companies, with the intent of encouraging broad representation within POSC.

Two levels of membership exist, sponsors and members. Sponsors make a multi-year commitment to participation while members can join on a year-to-year, renewable membership. For information on membership in POSC contact Dan N. Turner, chief executive officer, 10777 Westheimer, Suite 275, Houston, Texas 77042.

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LITTLETON, MA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Alliant Computer Systems Corp. (NASDAQ:ALNT) Monday announced Argonne National Laboratory, Chicago, has installed an FX/2800 RISC-based supercomputer to do research leading to more efficient fuel combustion in automobiles, heaters and other devices.

Argonne's Theoretical Chemistry Group will use the Alliant supercomputer in its chemical dynamics program to study gas phase reactions and solve other problems relating to fuel combustion.

''To obtain accurate and predictive theoretical descriptions of the reactions between molecules, we have to solve large sets of complicated equations,'' said Dr. Al Wagner, group leader of the chemical dynamics program. ''It is an extremely time consuming task. We used to do most of our work on Crays. The FX/2800 enables us to switch from expensive time-sharing on a Cray, of which we were given a small timeslice, to a supercomputer that is dedicated to our research. The Alliant supercomputer gives us a cost effective strategy to solve these types of equations very quickly through parallel processing techniques.''

In addition to combustion research, Argonne will also use the Alliant FX/2800 supercomputer to develop new theoretical chemistry codes for high performance computer architectures. According to Wagner, the Argonne staff will optimize program codes for parallel computer architectures in both shared memory and distributed memory configurations.

''With multiple i860-based RISC processors, the Alliant FX/2800 is a good example of a workhorse shared memory machine. But it also has the flexibility to work like a distributed memory machine. Since we expect the Intel i860 microprocessor will be used in many different architectures, we believe the FX/2800 is a good platform for developing codes that exploit parallel processing in a range of computers. The FX/2800 represents the kind of architecture that theoretical chemists at other institutions will turn to now and in the future to solve problems quickly,'' said Wagner.

Alliant Computer Systems Corp. manufactures standards- based parallel supercomputers with visualization tools that enable scientists and engineers to quickly interpret and solve complex problems.

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DALLAS (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - SRX, the Dallas-based manufacturer of premium telecommunications systems and related peripherals, Monday annouced the privately-owned company's move to new corporate headquarters.

Beginning Jan. 2, 1991, SRX's new corporate address and telephone number will be:

3480 Lotus Drive
Plano, Texas 75075
214/985-2600

During 1990, SRX announced the introduction of the company's System One 4.5 and VisionMS 2.2 releases, along with the VisionACD Software Management Reports package. These new products were developed to specifically provide enhanced capabilities for SRX telecommunications systems.

Founded in 1983, SRX provides premium telecommunications switching equipment including patented voice and data switching technologies to customers worldwide.

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MANCHESTER, NH (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - EnergyNorth Natural Gas Inc., a subsidiary of EnergyNorth Inc. (NASDAQ:ENNI), has filed with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission for a $2.4 million, or 3.4 percent, increase in base rates.

The filing, carrying a proposed effective date of Jan. 17, 1991, is subject to the review and approval of the commission.

The state's largest natural gas distribution company is seeking rate relief to recover current levels of investment in plant and updated operating expenses.

EnergyNorth Natural Gas serves approximately 60,000 customers in 27 cities and towns in southern and central New Hampshire. The company recently began providing service to Derry and Londonderry, two communities located south of Manchester. In addition, EnergyNorth also sells and leases gas heating equipment and appliances.

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CHESTNUT HILL, MA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - General Cinemaa Corp. (NYSE:GCN) Monday announced results for its fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

For the full year, consolidated revenues from continuing operations were $2,149.5 million, up from $1,913.8 million a year earlier. Net earnings in 1990 were $111.3 million, equal to $1.51 per share. In 1989, the company had earnings from continuing operations of $105.9 million, equal to $1.43 per share. Net earnings in 1989 totaled $971.8 million, equal to $13.16 per share and included a gain of $865.9 million or $11.73 per share from discontinued operations relating to the disposition of the company's soft drink bottling business in March 1989.

Operating earnings in fiscal 1990, after a $34.0 million restructuring charge, were $53.7 million, compared to $92.4 million the previous year. Investment income in 1990 was $123.5 million, virtually unchanged from $123.8 million in 1989. Interest expense in 1990 rose to $103.7 million from $88.8 million a year earlier due principally to significantly higher foreign currency hedging costs associated with the company's investment in Cadbury Schweppes, p.l.c. and higher interest expense at The Neiman Marcus Group, a 60 percent owned subsidiary whose results are consolidated with a lag of one quarter.

The sale of most of the company's investment in Cadbury Schweppes in the fourth quarter of 1990 generated a pre-tax gain of $129.3 million, which contributed $84 million, equal to $1.14 per share, to net earnings in the current year. In 1989, the company had pre-tax income from the sale of RJR Nabisco securities of $82.9 million, which contributed $50.8 million or 69 cents per share to net earnings.

Consolidated revenues for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 were $483.9 million, compared to $445.9 million a year earlier. Net earnings in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 benefitted from the gain on the sale of the company's Cadbury Schweppes investment and were $55.7 million, or 76 cents per share, compared to $7.9 million, or 10 cents per share in the fourth quarter last year.

General Cinema reported an operating loss of $41.1 million for the 1990 fourth quarter, compared to operating earnings of $4.2 million one year earlier. The loss was due to a disappointing performance by the company's theatre division, which had a loss from operations of $9.8 million in the quarter and also incurred a $34 million restucturing charge in the period.

The retail businesses contributed $2.7 million to operating earnings in the fourth quarter of 1990 compared to $4.7 million in the final quarter of 1989.

For the fiscal year, The Neiman Marcus Group contributed a 15.1 percent gain in revenues to $1,688.6 million and a 19.2 percent increase in operating

earnings to $99.2 million. After deducting the minority interest, The Neiman Marcus Group's contribution to the company's net earnings in fiscal 1990 was $23.6 million, or 32 cents per share, up from $21.4 million, or 29 cents per share, in 1989. The Neiman Marcus Group's results are for its fiscal year ended Aug. 4, 1990.

General Cinema Corp. operates one of the largest theatre circuits in the United States and is a leading specialty retailer through The Neiman Marcus Group. The company holds approximately $1.63 billion in short-term investments.

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Intergraph Corp. (NASDAQ:INGR) Monday announced that it has been selected by Ameritech (Chicago) to supply automated mapping and facilities management (AM/FM) systems and services for Ameritech's five Bell companies.

The systems will be part of a new automated engineering system that the telephone companies will use to provide responsive, cost-effective service to their 12 million residential and business customers in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin.

Under the contract Ameritech will purchase hardware, software, maintenance, training and consultant services over a five-year period. Included are Intergraph's recently introduced Series 2000 workstations, based on the UNIX System V, Release 3.1 operating system from AT&T.

Aiding Customer Service

''It's important for us to provide the most cost-effective service possible,'' said Bob Humes, Ameritech Services' vice president of operations and process management. ''When implemented, the Ameritech Record and Engineering System will let us provide more responsive, higher-quality service by speeding design and construction for new telecommunications projects.''

Intergraph President Eliott James commented: ''Following a long, thorough evaluation, Ameritech chose Intergraph to provide major AM/FM tools. Other telephone companies understand the long-term implications of such a decision. We do, too -- and we'll work to see that Ameritech's trust was not misplaced.''

Automated Mapping

At the heart of the Ameritech Record and Engineering System (ARES), the

Intergraph computer graphics systems will store accurate, uniform maps of each telephone company's service area. Replacing hand-drawn records, these color-coded maps will be viewed and revised on computer workstation screens.

Overlaid on these maps will be a display of each company's terminals, cables and other items in its ''outside plant.'' A descriptive database will store plant records (e.g., an item's identification number and installation date) and engineering information associated with each item (e.g., wire gauge and transmission characteristics).

By pointing to an item, a user can be shown a display of information associated with the item. Different departments may access the system's single database, reducing costly duplicate recordkeeping.

Illustrating the vastness of outside plant recordkeeping, Ameritech's Bell companies maintain records on the following items in their five-state service area:

-- 1,900,000 terminals

-- 187,000,000 miles of copper wire

-- 230,000 miles of optical fiber cable

-- 18,000 trench miles of conduit

Facilities Management

This complete model of the outside plant helps the telephone company manage its facilities. Automating day-to-day operations, the Intergraph system will be used to:

-- process an average of 400 engineering work orders each week

-- generate work prints (a map/diagram of a project)

-- revise the distribution facilities model, so decisions and operations are based on current information

-- generate maps, plats and drawings

-- generate accounting and management reports

-- alert engineers to proposed actions which violate predetermined operating rules

Among its planning resources, the system helps engineers:

-- analyze existing and proposed plant features

-- generate reports on property records and inventory

Ameritech Background Information

Ameritech is the Chicago-based parent company of Bell Cos. serving Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin. It is also the parent company of several other information industry companies providing mobile communications, voice messaging, directories, audiotex services and lease financing. Its 1989 revenues were $10.2 billion.

Intergraph Background Information

Intergraph Corp.'s products include a broad range of complementary workstations and network servers, as well as complete application specific systems for computer-aided engineering, design, manufacturing and publishing, plus numerous earth science applications. A Fortune 500 company, Intergraph is the world's largest company dedicated to developing and manufacturing interactive computer graphics systems.

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SAN ANTONIO (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of La Quinta Realty Corp., general partner of La Quinta Motor Inns L.P. (NYSE:LQP), reset the regular quarterly distribution to 20 cents per limited partnership unit (80 cents on an annual basis) effective with the cash distribution scheduled in March 1991.

The quarterly distribution had previously been set at 25 cents per limited partnership unit. Cash distributions of $1.25 per unit were paid to unitholders in calendar 1990. At current market prices, the new distribution level will represent a substantially tax deferred yield of approximately 14 percent per annum.

Sam Barshop, chairman of the board and president of La Quinta Realty Corp., stated, ''The change in the distribution amount is a result of a continued slowdown in demand due to uncertainties related to the economy. As previously reported, we have experienced some weakness in occupancy since October.

''Our current outlook is that these trends may continue through the first half of 1991. The board believes the new distribution level is maintainable through calendar 1991 and represents prudent efforts to assure the company will remain fiscally strong while maintaining its properties in a competitive condition.''

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NEW ORLEANS (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Louisiana Land and Exploration Co. (NYSE:LLX) (LL&E) Monday announced that its board of directors had approved a 1991 capital and exploration budget totaling $291 million, up approximately 16 percent from its original 1990 budget.

The budget includes $24 million for geological and geophysical expenditures in 1991.

Budgeted 1991 exploration and development expenditures, including geological and geophysical expenses, total $251 million, with $141 million allocated to exploration and $110 million allocated to development. Approximately two-thirds of the 1991 exploration and development budget is designated for domestic operations, with the remainder earmarked for foreign operations.

Refining and processing expenditures for 1991 are estimated at $15 million, over half of which is associated with the construction of a sour gas treating facility at the Madden Field in Wyoming. Other expenditures, including capitalized interest, are expected to total $25 million.

H. Leighton Steward, LL&E's chief executive officer, in commenting on the company's 1991 spending program, said, ''The increase in our 1991 budget is opportunity driven and is based, in part, upon the success we have achieved over the last several years.

''Our planning is based upon the expectation that oil prices will retreat to more moderate levels once the current crisis in the Middle East is resolved.

''We have a number of exciting development projects ongoing in the Gulf of Mexico and the North Sea. In addition, we will continue our aggressive exploratory drilling program in the Gulf of Mexico, selected domestic onshore basins, and certain high- potential foreign areas.''

Steward also noted that deferrals of projects originally scheduled for 1990 were also partially responsible for the increase. ''At this point we expect that actual 1990 expenditures will be 15 to 20 percent less than our original 1990 budget. Most of this short-fall is the result in delays in projects

where LL&E is not the operator.''

LL&E's original 1990 capital and exploration budget totaled $250 million. The company added that it expects to finance its 1991 spending program with internally-generated funds.

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HARTFORD, CT (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - United Technologies Corp. has extended military leave and guaranteed full pay for its employees in the armed forces reserves who are called to or volunteer for active duty as a result of the military build-up in the Middle East.

The company will pay those employees the difference between their military pay and their compensation as UTC employees for up to one year. In August, before the first reservists were activated to participate in the Middle East action, UTC had extended coverage for 90 days.

Medical and dental benefits for dependents of reservists on active duty also will be continued for up to one year with no premiums charged to the employee or the employee's family.

Under the provisions of the special leave program, employees who enter active duty before June 30, 1991, are guaranteed full pay for one year from their call-up date.

''It has become apparent that our employees could be required to serve longer than the originally anticipated 90 days,'' said Franklyn A. Caine, UTC senior vice president, human resources and organization, ''and we are going to continue to do as much as we can to support them.'' The program will be re-evaluated again next year if events in the Middle East warrant.

''We hope this special program will help our employees and their families during this difficult time,'' Caine said.

UTC provides a broad range of high-technology products and support services to the aerospace, building systems and automotive industries.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - AmBase Corp. (NYSE:ABC) has been advised by TVH Acquisition Corp. that it has received a commitment letter from a bank group led by Chase Manhattan Bank N.A. with respect to the debt financing required to consummate TVH's purchase of The Home Insurance Co.

TVH is formed by an investor group consisting principally of Trygg-Hansa Holding AB, and Industrial Mutual Insurance Co.

On Dec. 12, 1990, AmBase announced that its board had approved the sale of The Home to TVH and set a January 29, 1991 stockholder meeting to approve the sale.

The record date for the meeting is December 21, 1990.

As previously announced, the sale of The Home is subject to, among other things, stockholder and regulatory approvals.

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OAK BROOK, IL (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Mike Quinlan, Chairman and CEO, McDonald's Corporation announced Monday the election of award-winning financial reporter, columnist and analyst Terry Savage to the company's Board of Directors.

''Terry's unusual blend of expertise in finance and consumer communications will be another plus for McDonald's, as a publicly-owned company that serves millions of customers each day,'' said Quinlan.

Commenting on her election, Savage observed, ''I'm excited about the company's prospects for the future, as it responds to consumer tastes and today's economic realities, and I look forward to being part of that process.''

Financial journalist Savage has been reporting on business topics on Chicago television since 1979. She appears daily on the evening news as financial analyst for WBBM-TV (CBS) in Chicago. Her ''Money Talks'' interview program airs weekdays as the Chicago lead-in to the ''CBS This Morning'' network news program and her nationally-syndicated column, ''Smart Money,'' runs weekly in the Chicago Sun-Times Business Section.

Savage's best-selling consumer finance book, ''Terry Savage Talks Money: The Common Sense Guide to Money Matters,'' was published in the Spring of 1990. She is a registered investment advisor for stocks and commodities, and was a

founding member -- and the first woman member -- of the Chicago Board Options Exchange. Savage is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Michigan where she won a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship in American History and Economics.

Savage and husband Edward Harshfield, and her son, Rex Savage, are residents of Chicago.

McDonald's is the world's leading foodservice organization, with more than 11,400 restaurants in 53 countries. Seventy-five percent of McDonald's restaurant businesses are locally owned and operated by independent entrepreneurs.

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-30- 2126
#90351b0722 12/17/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - ELCOTEL INC. (NASDAQ/NMS:ECTL), manufacturer of public communications products, and Rates Technology Inc., holder of a patent covering pay telephones with self-contained rates and provider of rates data to manufacturers and operators of such pay telephones, Monday announced the settlement of a patent infringement suit which has been pending since 1986.

Ther terms of the settlement were not disclosed, and the parties have agreed that such terms shall remain confidential.

George C. Pierce, chief executive officer of Elcotel, commented, ''We are happy to end this burdensome litigation. This settlement is an important step in the turn-around program initiated by Elcotel. We believe both Elcotel and our customers will benefit by our working with Rates Technology instead of against them.''

Gerald J. Weinberger, president of Rates Technology, commented, ''We welcome Elcotel to our group of licensees which now includes most manufacturers of pay telephones with self-contained rates. Elcotel has always provided top quality products, and we look forward to working with the Elcotel management to the benefit of the entire public communications industry.''

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HOUSTON (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Offshore Pipelines, Inc. (''OPI'') (NYSE: OFP) Monday announced unaudited results for the quarter ended October 31, 1990.

	Three Months Ended October 31,	
	1990	1989
Contract revenues	$ 59,064,000	$ 26,349,000
Income (loss) from operations	1,666,000	(1,536,000)
Income (loss) before income taxes	(238,000)	(2,473,000)
Income tax provision (benefit)	(79,000)	(719,000)
Net income (loss)	$ (159,000)	$ (1,754,000)
Net income (loss) per share	$ (.02)	$ (.41)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	7,905,206	4,105,206
Stockholders' equity	$ 62,835,000	$ 6,912,000

During the three months ended October 31, 1990, contract revenues increased 124.2% to $59.1 million from $26.3 million in the comparable 1989 period.

This increase was attributable principally to the continuing expansion of OPI's operations and its fleet of vessels. Approximately $25.4 million of the first quarter revenues were from two large marine pipeline construction contracts performed in the Gulf of Mexico.

The increase in revenues was partially offset by increased carrying costs, consisting of interest, depreciation and insurance, associated with a portion of its expanded marine fleet which was not yet under contract.

Selling, general and administrative expenses also increased due to costs associated with establishing international operations and expansion of OPI's operations in the Gulf of Mexico, as well as the addition of management and staff to support the increase in volume.

In addition, OPI announced today that it has purchased a leasehold interest in a 26-acre fabrication yard in Bahrain, as well as related equipment, for $2.8 million. OPI agreed to purchase the yard as part of its previously consummated purchase of marine construction and related assets from Brown & Root. The acquisition of the yard and equipment had been delayed pending receipt of routine governmental approvals in Bahrain.

OPI is an industry leader in laying marine pipelines and installing, salvaging and refurbishing offshore oil and gas platforms in the Gulf of Mexico and in international markets. The Company also fabricates offshore platforms and their component parts.

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0CHATTANOOGA, TN (FEB. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of Signal Apparel Co. Inc. (NYSE:SIA) Monday declared a cash dividend on the company's Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock.

A regular quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share will be paid on the Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock on Jan. 10, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 28, 1990.

Signal Apparel Co. Inc. is engaged in the manufacture and marketing of apparel including knit sportswear, sweaters and knit shirts for men and boys, and women's apparel. The company's preferred and common stocks are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. The company's symbol is SIA.

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DENVER (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Canuck Resources Corp. announced Monday that it changed its name to Intertel Communications Inc. to better reflect its current operations.

Through its 94 percent owned subsidiary, Teleport Denver, Inc., Intertel's primary business is the installation and operation of self healing all-fiber-optic cables as an alternative to local telephone lines.

This ''Alternate Access'' service offers lower-cost, higher quality voice, video and data transmission from Denver's businesses to their long-distance telephone carriers. It provides the security of an alternate access to long distance service should telephone company lines be interrupted.

Due to its design the company's fiber optic ''ring'', can continue to function even if the line is cut. The company provides a number of other telecommunications services and operates certain oil and gas producing properties. Intertel is traded on the Vancouver Stock Exchange under the symbol IRT. Intertel is the only publicly traded alternate access supplier in

Canada or the United States. It is traded over-the-counter in the U.S. and on the Vancouver Stock Exchange in Canada.

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or
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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Drexler Technology Corp. (NASDAQ:DRXR) said Monday that the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has placed a $120,000 order for optical memory cards and reader/writers that will be used to store medical records for veterans.

The VA will field test the medical card system starting in about 90 days at two Eastern hospitals. The program is being administered by the VA Information Systems Center in Troy, N.Y. If the initial installations are successful, additional VA locations would be added. Should the system be implemented fully, optical cards could in the future be used by the nation's millions of veterans throughout the VA's vast network of 172 hospitals and clinics.

Since September of 1989, the VA has been using Drexler's optical memory cards for experimentation and software development during the prototype phase of the program. The follow-on order received this month for the field trial of the system is an important milestone in Drexler's U.S. marketing efforts.

The use of this medical records card can improve health care delivery to veterans, while reducing duplication of services caused by inaccessibility of prior records and test results. With the optical card carried by the patient and updated during each medical visit, physicians will have instant access to medical history data which can provide life-saving information.

Known as the LaserCard optical memory card, Drexler's data storage device is the size of a credit card and can store 4.11 megabytes of image data or 2.86 megabytes of text (1,200 typewritten pages). Medical reports, X-ray images, ultrasound and CAT scans, and other test results can be stored on and retrieved from the card for quick reference.

The medical data is stored, retrieved, and updatedby computer-using LaserCards made by Drexler and reader/writer peripherals made by Drexler licensees. Access to the card's information can be protected through the use of security codes and software. Also, the patient's photograph, voice print, and signature can be stored on the LaserCard for identification or security.

Drexler Technology Corp. is headquartered in Mountain View, where it manufactures optical cards, develops related software, and markets LaserCard-based workstations.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 11) BUSINESS WIRE - Norman C. Fussell, chief executive officer of M.I.M. Holdings Limited has been elected a director of ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR), effective December 14, Richard de J. Osborne, chairman of the board of Asarco announced Monday.

Mr. Fussell replaces Sir Bruce Watson who stepped down from his position on the board on December 14.

Mr. Fussell, 53, also succeeded Sir Bruce as chief executive of MIM on December 14. MIM is an associated company of Asarco in Australia.

Prior to assuming the post of MIM CEO, Mr. Fussell had been executive general manager and a director of MIM since 1980. In that position he had responsibility for the company's Commercial Division, including financial administration, treasury, taxation, public affairs, market support and international and business development.

Before joining MIM, Mr. Fussell held a number of general management positions with the Thiess Group of Companies. He was elected a Thiess director in 1977 and that company's chief executive officer in 1979. Throughout most of the 1970's, MIM was a major shareholder in the Thiess Group.

Mr. Fussell is chairman of Highlands Gold Limited and deputy chairman of Evans Deakin Industries Limited and Metallgesellschaft Limited. He is a director of Aberfoyle Limited and a trustee of the Committee of Economic Development of Australia.

A native of Queensland, Australia, Mr. Fussell is an associate in accounting with the University of Queensland, a fellow of the Australian Society of Certified Practicing Accountants, a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and a fellow of the Australian Institute of Management. In addition, he is a graduate of the Harvard Business School International Senior Management Program.

Mr. Fussell and his wife, Amy, have three sons and a daughter. They live in Brisbane.

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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ROCKY HILL, CT (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Ames Department Stores Inc. announced Monday that retired Navy Adm. Elmo R. Zumwalt Jr., chief of Naval Operations and member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from 1970 to 1974, has been elected to the company's board of directors.

Zumwalt's appointment increases the size of the Ames board to 12 members.

Stephen L. Pistner, Ames chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''Admiral Zumwalt brings significant strengths to our board with his broad-based experience in government and business, and his proven success in the face of significant challenges.''

Zumwalt currently heads his own consulting firm, which specializes in the areas of management, energy, health care, overseas business operations, foreign and defense policy and strategic planning. He also publishes a weekly column that appears in various newspapers across the country.

He was governor of the American Stock Exchange from 1979 to 1985. He is a director of a number of corporations, including Airship Industries, American Medical Buildings, Fleet Aerospace and Navistar International.

At 44, Zumwalt became the youngest officer promoted to rear admiral, and at 49 became the youngest four-star admiral in Navy history. He was promoted over 35 senior admirals to become the youngest man to serve as Chief of Naval Operations.

Zumwalt, a cum laude graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, has been a visiting professor and guest lecturer at Stanford and other universities. He is the author of two books. ''On Watch,'' recounts his Navy career and warns of the Soviet naval threat, ''My Father, My Son,'' co-authored by his late son, is an account of their Vietnam experiences.

Ames filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in April to reorganize its business and finances. The company operates 461 discount department stores in 17 Northeastern states.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Monday announced that effective immediately, it is decreasing its base spot sales price of refined lead by one cent per pound.

The new price is 34 cents per pound, F.O.B. delivered in carload lots.

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - FMC Corp.'s board of directors announced the election of Gov. James R. Thompson as a director of FMC, effective Jan. 15 1991.

According to Robert H. Malott, FMC chairman and chief executive officer, ''We are looking forward to Jim Thompson joining our board. We feel his background and experience will be valuable to us as we face the challenges of a global marketplace in the decade ahead.''

Gov. Thompson has served as governor of Illinois since 1977. His fourth term expires on Jan. 14, 1991. He also served as an assistant state's attorney of Cook County, as chief of the Department of Law Enforcement and Public

Protection in the state's Attorney General's Office, as first assistant U.S. attorney, and as U.S. attorney for the Northern District of Illinois.

Earlier this year, he was appointed by President Bush to chair the President's Intelligence Oversight Board.

Gov. Thompson was born in Chicago. He attended the University of Illinois in Chicago and Washington University in St. Louis and received a law degree in 1959 from Northwestern University Law School, where he was a faculty member from 1964 to 1969.

FMC Corp., headquartered in Chicago, is one of the world's leading producers of machinery and equipment for industry, government and agriculture. The company operates 88 manufacturing and mine facilities in 24 states and 21 other countries. The company divides its businesses into five major segments: Industrial Chemicals, Performance Chemicals, Precious Metals, Defense Systems and Machinery and Equipment.

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KANATA, Ontario (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Mitel Corp. Monday announced that beginning immediately it will implement a voluntary resignation program open to all employees on a worldwide basis.

The program is being implemented in order to reduce expenditures in response to an economic downturn now being experienced in many of the company's major markets.

The program allows employees the option of resigning with a full termination package or taking a leave of absence without pay for a period of one to two years for purposes such as continuing education. The program will operate until Feb. 1, 1991.

Mitel Corp. is an international manufacturer of sophisticated, reliable business telecommunications systems, public switching systems and semiconductor products with annual revenues of more than $400 million. More than 150,000 Mitel telecommunications systems have been sold in over 100 countries.

Mitel's common shares are traded on the Toronto, Montreal, New York and London stock exchanges under the symbol MLT. Since 1986, British Telecommunications plc, a $20 billion telecommunications company based in the United Kingdom, has owned 51 percent of the company.

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PERTH AMBOY, N.J. (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Bankers Corp. (NASDAQ:BKCO), the parent company of Banker Savings, announced Monday that it had completed the purchase of five New Jersey branch offices and related deposits from Carteret Savings Bank.

Bankers assumed $381.3 million in deposits and offices in Hazlet, Natawan, Freehold, Bricktown and Toms River. These offices are now operating as Bankers Savings offices.

Bankers Savings has assets of $942 million and also has six offices in Middlesex County. Carteret Savings Bank has approximately $6 billion in assets and operates over 50 retail banking and loan offices - primarily in New Jersey and Florida.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Nortek Inc. (NYSE:NTK) announced Monday that Richard L. Bready, Nortek's president and chief executive officer, has been elected as chairman of the board of directors.

Bready joined Nortek in 1975, has been president since 1979 and was elected chief executive officer on Oct. 31, 1990.

Bready holds a B.A. degree in economics from St. Anselms College, an M.S. degree in accounting from Northeastern University and an honorary doctorate in business administration from Johnson & Wales University. Prior to joining Nortek, he was associated with the accounting firm of Arthur Andersen & Co.

He is a member of Northeastern University's National Council, Board of Overseers and Board of Visitors; a corporation member of Rhode Island Hospital; and he serves the Rhode Island Philharmonic as director, vice president and executive committee member.

A member of the University of Rhode Island Business Advisory Council and URI Foundation, he is a trustee of the Providence Performing Arts Center, the

National Conference of Christians and Jews and Roger Williams College.

Nortek Inc. is a diversified Fortune 500 corporation, manufacturing and marketing residential and commercial building products and commercial ventilating and air conditioning systems.

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SAN FERNANDO, CA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - SFE Technologies (NASDAQ:SFEM) Monday reported that it had signed an Asset Acquisition Agreement with Dale Electronics Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Vishay Intertechnology Inc. (NYSE:VSH) covering the sale of substantially all of the operating assets of its West-Cap Arizona subsidiary.

William Kuehn, chairman, said, ''The agreement concludes a series of negotiations begun in mid-November of this year.'' Kuehn indicated that SFE and Dale have set Dec. 31, 1990, as the expected closing date.

Kuehn said, ''The agreement covers substantially all of the assets of West-Cap Arizona's inductor and wound film capacitor manufacturing businesses as well as 100 percent of the stock of West-Cap Arizona de Mexico, its Nogales, Sonora Mexico manufacturing facility.''

Kuehn stated that ''SFE's board of directors has unanimously approved the agreement subject to satisfaction of the normal conditions necessary to closing.''

Kuehn restated his earlier comment that ''this sale continues the company's efforts to restructure itself in a manner that preserves its options and maximizes its financial flexibility.''

Additionally, Kuehn said ''the sale of West-Cap does not effect the company's previously disclosed plans with regard to its San Fernando Electric division.''

He said that ''the company's board of directors reiterated its directive to the company's management and its investment bankers, Brockett Tamny & Co., to continue their efforts to locate a buyer for its San Fernando division.''

SFE Technologies is a leading manufacture of passive electronic components. These products include multilayer ceramic (MLC) capacitors, wound capacitors and magnetic components. The company also produces circuit assemblies featuring surface mount technology.

SFE Technologies has manufacturing facilities in San Fernando; Tucson, Ariz.;

Concord, N.C. and Nogales, Sonora, Mexico.

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LOUISVILLE, Ky. (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Skolniks Inc. (NASDAQ:SKNS, SKNWS) Monday announced earnings results for the first fiscal quarter ended Oct. 27, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter increased 10 percent to $3,676,316 compared to $3,342,280 for the same period a year ago. Systemwide sales increased 33 percent to $4,626,861 versus $3,480,722 last year. Net income for the quarter was $54,344 or 3 cents per share compared to $136,280 or 6 cents per share last year.

Skolniks Chairman Joe R. Love, in commenting on the quarter, said ''We are pleased to report a profitable quarter, despite a softness in the general market and an industry-wide drop in sales. We are concerned about the retail sales slump this shopping season, though we believe we will continue to be profitable.''

Skolniks operates and franchises 45 bakery/restaurants under the name ''Skolniks Bagel Bakery Restaurant,'' in Pennsylvania, Illinois, New Jersey, Wisconsin, Maryland, Virginia, Kentucky, Iowa, Colorado and Tennessee.

Skolniks Inc.
Statement of Operations
(unaudited)

	First Quarter Ended	
	10/27/90	10/28/89
System-wide sales	$4,626,861	$3,480,722
Revenues	3,676,316	3,342,280
Net income	$ 54,344	$ 136,280
Earnings per share	3 cents	6 cents
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	2,068,338	2,256,883

Interim results are unaudited and subject to adjustment.

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CLEVELAND (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert Wyman, president of Wyman Corp., announced Monday his company has purchased 40 Sisters Chicken & Biscuit Restaurants from the financially-troubled SIS Corp. for over $3 million in cash.

Thirteen of the restaurants are located in the Cleveland area, with 21 more in Columbus, and six in Toledo.

Wyman is a former Burger King franchisee and currently owns and operates Burger Bob's restaurant in Mayfield Heights. He plans to continue operating the fast-food chicken restaurants under the Sisters Chicken & Biscuit name.

Wyman noted, ''I don't plan to make any major personnel changes, because I feel the people who are in place now are well-qualified. I don't blame them for SIS Corp.'s financial problems. Basically, I feel SIS Corp. simply didn't provide the leadership the company needed to thrive.''

The company currently employs a staff of 12 in its Rocky River headquarters office. The 40 Sisters Chicken & Biscuit Restaurants in Cleveland, Columbus and Toledo employ approximately 1,100 crew members.

Although the company's staff will remain essentially the same, Wyman does plan to make a variety of changes in the chain's menu, pricing structure and packaging. He explained, ''I want to simplify the menu, and concentrate more on our core product, namely chicken. Less popular items, like ribs and fish, will be eliminated. A shorter menu will allow us to focus on providing our customers with the best possible product.''

He continued, ''I'm planning to have a new 'price-value menu' in place by Christmastime, so we can offer our customers high-quality food at very competitive prices. Our plans also call for changing the way we package our food as soon as possible.

The publicly-owned SIS Corp. filed for Chapter 11 protection in February 1989. Before filing for bankruptcy, SIS had been attempting to restructure its debt and equity since 1988, but those efforts were unsuccessful. Under Wyman's management, the company will be privately-owned.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Monday announced the immediate availability of its DataLens Driver for Paradox Tables.

The new driver allows 1-2-3 Release 3.1 and 1-2-3/G users to directly access information stored in Paradox databases, using familiar 1-2-3 commands.

The Paradox driver enables 1-2-3 users to perform a wide range of database management and reporting tasks, such as querying, inserting, deleting, or updating records in a Paradox table and creating new Paradox files.

''The Lotus DataLens Driver for Paradox Tables seamlessly integrates Paradox data with 1-2-3's powerful database and analytical capabilities,'' said Tad Staley, Lotus' product marketing manager for DataLens. ''Lotus users can now easily access and manipulate data in Paradox databases, as if the data resided directly in the spreadsheet.''

Through the advanced relational database capabilities offered in 1-2-3 Release 3.1 and 1-2-3/G, users can combine information from a Paradox database with information from other external data sources, such as dBase III or III Plus, Netware SQL, and SQL Server databases, in addition to 1-2-3 database files.

Lotus' DataLens technology provides 1-2-3 users with a consistent and transparent means to easily bring data into their spreadsheet for analysis, manipulation, and storage. Users benefit from the ability to access a wide variety of external data sources through a common interface, eliminating the need to learn multiple data access methods. In addition, DataLens drivers give users the ability to integrate data from a variety of computing platforms including DOS, OS/2, UNIX and VAX.

DataLens drivers for 1-2-3 Release 3.1 and 1-2-3/G are now available for Microsoft SQL Server, Novell Netware SQL, and Ashton-Tate's dBase III and III Plus. Drivers are under development for Extended Edition Database Manager from IBM, Sybase SQL Server on VAX and UNIX platforms, ORACLE from Oracle Corporation, Vanguard and R:Base from Microrim, Inc., and SQL Base from Gupta Technologies.

The Lotus DataLens Driver for Paradox Tables is designed for use with Paradox version 2.0 or higher and is available directly from Lotus for a suggested retail price of $75. 1-2-3 Release 3.1 users can purchase the Paradox driver for a special price of $20. For more information, or to order, customers may contact Lotus Customer Service at (800) 345-1043.

Lotus Development Corp. (NASDAQ:LOTS), founded in 1982, develops, markets and supports business software and CD-ROM databases that help users access, analyze, communicate and share information. The company's first product, Lotus 1-2-3, is the most popular personal computer software program in the world with more than 14 million users. Lotus markets its broad range of products in

more than 65 countries and offers users comprehensive support options, including 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week support in the U.S. for PC versions of its 1-2-3 spreadsheet.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Enzo Biochem Inc. (AMEX:ENZ), a New York based biotechnology company, Monday reported revenues of $5,481,000 and a net loss of $952,000 for the fiscal first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Operating revenues in fiscal 1991 first quarter -- resulting from diagnostic services, diagnostic products and research contracts -- were four percent ahead of operating revenues in the fiscal 1990 first quarter. This operational increase was slightly outweighed by reduced investment income so that total revenues were one percent down from the $5,535,000 revenues reported for the same period the year before.

The first quarter net loss of $952,000, or 8 cents per share, compares to a net loss of $770,000, or 7 cents per share, reported for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. The fiscal 1991 first quarter included costs relating to the consolidation and expansion of EnzoLabs Inc. into a new facility in Farmingdale, Long Island completed in September. This move, geared toward improving the efficiency of this business, is expected to enhance operating margins and lead to future cost reductions.

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MEMPHIS, TN (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Insituform of North America, Inc. (''INA'') (NASDAQ:INSUA (Class A Common Stock)) Monday announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, NU-PIPE, INC. (''NU-PIPE'') has entered into license agreements with its first four licensees: Insituform Mid-America, Inc., NuPipe Southeast, Inc. (a subsidiary of Enviroq Corporation), Naylor NuPipe, Inc. (a subsidiary of Insituform Gulf South, Inc.), and NuPipe Midwest (a division of Midwest Environment Services Corp., an affiliate of Insituform Midwest, Inc.)

Under the agreements, the licensee has the exclusive rights to exploit the NuPipeR Process for trenchless rehabilitation of sewers, tunnels and pipelines

in an assigned territory, which for the first four licensees covers an aggregate of 23 states and portions of two additional states, as well as Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The NuPipe Process requires little or no excavation for installation and produces a pipe with the physical properties of a manufactured pipe of the same thickness and diameter. In addition, the NuPipe Process does not materially reduce the diameter of the existing pipe, eliminates annular space between the new rounded pipe and the original pipe and eliminates the need for grouting.

The NuPipe Process involves manufacture of pipe in continuous lengths of standard pipe diameters, rather than custom manufacture for specific applications, and does not require inversion, making it suited for small diameter pipes.

Patented in the United States since September 1989, the NuPipe Process utilizes a flattened and folded pipe manufactured from thermoplastic material which is stored on a reel in the reduced shape and heated at the installation site to make the replacement pipe flexible so that it may be inserted into an existing manhole, pulled into place and then expanded to a round condition fitting tightly against the pipe being repaired.

In this position, the new rounded pipe is subjected to internal pressure and subsequently cooled into a pipe for permanent installation, with lateral connections then cut from within.

In consideration for the NuPipe license, the first four and future domestic NuPipe licensees pay an initial license fee of $60,000, and thereafter pay a royalty of 6.75 percent of the gross contract price of all contracts covering installations performed utilizing the NuPipe Process, including preparatory and finishing work, but not excluding a number of customary deductions permitted by INA to its InsituformR sub-licensees.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Western Publishing Group Inc. (OTC:WPGI) Monday reported sales and earnings for the Third Quarter and the nine months ended Nov. 3.

Revenues for the Third Quarter and the nine months of Fiscal 1991 were $155.7 million and $367.8 million, respectively, compared with $162.5 million and $373.3 million for the same periods in fiscal 1990.

Net income for the Third Quarter of Fiscal 1991 were $8.4 million, or 39 cents per share, compared with $12.7 million, or 59 cents per share.

Net income for the nine months of Fiscal 1991 were $11.5 million, or 52 cents per share, compared with $17.8 million, or 82 cents per share. The 52 cents per share for the nine months is after the one time charge of 3 cents per share for the costs incurred in acquiring Sight & Sound Inc. in July. All per share figures are based upon approximately 21 million shares outstanding.

The acquisition of Sight & Sound Inc. is being accounted for on a pooling of interests basis and Western Publishing Group's previously reported sales and net earnings have been adjusted accordingly. In the absence of the 3 cents per share one time charge for the costs incurred in the acquisition, earnings for the nine month period would have been 55 cents per share.

Through its Western Publishing Company subsidiary, Western Publishing Group Inc. is the nation's largest creator, publisher, printer and marketer of story books and other activity books and products for children. These products are sold principally under the GOLDEN and GOLDEN BOOK names. The company is a major producer and marketer of puzzles, games, children's video and special interest books for adults.

Western Publishing Co. also ranks among the largest commercial printers in the United States, offering a wide range of printing, graphic and creative services to customers in industry and government.

Western Publishing Group Inc. through the Beach Products and Advertising Specialty Divisions of its subsidiary, Penn Corp., is engaged in the manufactured and sale of disposable paper tableware and party goods, stationery and advertising specialties and promotional business products.

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ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - CPC International Monday announced that its Canadian affiliate, Best Foods Canada, has purchased the peanut butter business of Canada Packers Inc., Canada's largest food processing company.

The acquired business includes Squirrel brand peanut butter, a leading brand in Canada. Annual sales of the business are over $21 million U.S. ($25

million CDN).

Robert J. Gillespie, Vice President of CPC International and President of Best Foods, CPC's North American consumer foods business, said ''We are very pleased to be able to add such a well known and respected product as Squirrel peanut butter to our well-established product lines. The acquisition is expected to provide significant opportunities for improved efficiency and customer service and to substantially strengthen Best Foods' position in the Canadian food industry.''

Best Foods Canada is a business unit of CPC International Inc., headquartered in Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, USA. With sales in 1989 of $5.1 billion, CPC International Inc. ranks as one of the largest and most international food companies in the U.S. CPC's worldwide consumer foods business accounts for approximately 80 percent of the company's total sales, and its products are household favorites throughout North America, Europe, Latin America, and Asia.

Best-known among its U.S. brands are: Hellmann's and Best Foods mayonnaise, Mazola corn oil and margarine, Skippy peanut butter, Thomas' English muffins, Arnold breads, Mueller's pasta products, Karo and Golden Griddle syrups, and Knorr soups, sauces and bouillons. CPC is also one of the largest corn refiners with operations in North America and Latin America. Worldwide, CPC International has operations in 47 countries including 112 plants.

Canada Packers, including its wholly owned subsidiary, Maple Leaf Mills Limited, is the largest food processing company in Canada, with operations across Canada, in the United States, and in Europe. The company's products include meats, poultry, seafood, oil, wheat flours, fresh and frozen bakery products and animal feeds. Its products are sold to retail, food service, wholesale, agricultural and industrial businesses worldwide.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Contel of Virginia is among the first telephone operating companies in the United States to transport live, commercial traffic at 2.4 gigabits-per-second using the Northern Telecom (NYSE:NT) S/DMS TransportNode, it was announced Monday.

The four-terminal OC-48 system is in service between Contel central offices in Hoadly, Dale City and Occoquan in northern Virginia. It is being used to

provide for growth in these high traffic corridors according to George Edwards director of Network Design for Contel of Virginia.

The S/DMS TransportNode is the industry's highest capacity fiber transport system. Introduced last year, the S/DMS TransportNode is the first in Northern Telecom's synchronous optical network (SONET) family of products.

''The selection of the S/DMS TransportNode by Contel of Virginia represents a sharing of our FiberWorld vision,'' says Bob Enos, vice president of Northern Telecom's Transport Division. ''By deploying our SONET systems in its network today, Contel guarantees added value now and well into the future.''

Other announced SONET-compatible products in the S/DMS product family include S/DMS AccessNode, a vehicle for cost-effective delivery of switched and special services to the customer's premises, and S/DMS SuperNode, a multifabric broadband switching system.

Several other telephone operating companies and interexchange carriers in both the United States and Canada have tested the S/DMS TransportNode and are expected to place systems in service in the near future.

Contel, a company with $3.1 billion in revenues and sales, provides a broad range of telecommunications products and services.

Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of $6.1 billion, employs more than 49,000 people around the world.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Offshore Pipelines Inc. (''OPI'') (NYSE:OFP) Monday announced receiving a letter of intent from Leviathan Gas Pipeline Co. of Houston to build a $75 million deep-water oil gathering system for Leviathan.

The system will run across the edge of the Deepwater Flex Trend in the Outer Continental Shelf area offshore Louisiana in waters approximately 600 feet deep. The first gathering system designed to serve a major deep-water area of the Gulf of Mexico, Leviathan's system will provide a transportation outlet

that is expected to help speed the development efforts of companies with major new finds in the area.

The system will consist of approximately 80 miles of pipeline from East Cameron, South Addition, Block 338 to Eugene Island, South Addition, Block 330. Leviathan said the system's two parallel lines of 12'' and 16'' diameter will give the company both operating flexibility and allow it to transport both sour and sweet oil without commingling. Assuming timely receipt of regulatory reviews and approvals, the gathering system will be placed in service by the end of 1991.

Leviathan is currently completing the necessary operational and financial arrangements for the project. It is anticipated that OPI will become a minority owner of the system described.

A contract between OPI and Leviathan is expected to be signed in early 1991.

OPI operates one of the largest marine construction fleets in the world, capable of handling a full range of large-capacity and deep-water construction projects worldwide. The company is an industry leader in laying marine pipelines; installing, salvaging and refurbishing offshore platforms; and fabricating offshore platforms and their component parts.

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CLEVELAND (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Publication of ''Beryllium: Biomedical and Environmental Aspects'' was announced Monday.

The book is a collection of articles written by experts from the manufacturing scientific, medical and legal communities, representing a comprehensive source of information on beryllium. It is published by Williams & Wilkins, Baltimore, Md.

The book focuses primarily on the current state of knowledge regarding the health effects of beryllium, including diagnosis and treatment. In addition, the history, properties and applications of beryllium, as well as environmental control and regulatory issues, are addressed.

Copies of the book are being sent to medical schools throughout the United States. Additionally, Brush Wellman is making the volume available at no charge to principal public libraries at all of its plant locations.

Brush Wellman Inc., with headquarters in Cleveland, is a manufacturer of engineered materials. The company and its subsidiaries supply worldwide markets with beryllium, beryllium alloys, beryllia ceramic, precious metal products, and specialty metal systems.

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BETHESDA, MD (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Survival Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: SURV) Monday announced unaudited results of operations for its fiscal 1991 first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

The company reported net income for the quarter of $252,000 (9 cents per share) on sales of $9.6 million versus a net loss of $1,492,900 (53 cents per share) on sales of $2.9 million in the comparable prior year period.

The company's fourth consecutive quarter of profitable operations can be attributed in part to a letter contract the company received in Sept. 1990 from the Department of Defense (DOD) for the production and delivery of its Mark I Antidote Kits coupled with continuing sales growth of its commercial products.

The letter contract from the DOD specifies minimum quantities which currently aggregate to a ceiling price of $16.3 million, of which $3.2 million in revenue was recognized based on deliveries of product in Oct. 1990. Under DOD regulations, letter contracts serve to expedite the commencement of deliveries until pricing and other final terms are negotiated.

The DOD may increase the quantities under this contract to satisfy additional Defense Department requirements. Deliveries under this contract will continue into the fourth quarter of the current fiscal year. The company also completed deliveries on the previously reported DOD contract for AtroPen auto-injectors awarded in August 1990 which contributed $1.4 million to current quarter revenue.

Commercial sales continued to strengthen during the quarter to meet the increasing demand for two products for which production commenced in fiscal 1990. Revenues from the sale of the company's patented CytoGuard vial adapter aggregated $683,000 for the quarter, which compares to $1.6 million of revenue generated for this product in all of fiscal year 1990.

Production for the filling and packaging of Syntex Laboratories Inc. (''Syntex'') newly-approved drug Toradol in the company's Cartrix syringe system resulted in revenues of $2.6 million during the first quarter of fiscal 1991. Revenue from the sale of this product for the entire prior year period aggregated $3.1 million. Toradol is a unique intramuscular injectable analgesic for the short-term management of pain as an alternative to narcotics.

Survival Technology Inc. provides innovative pharmaceutical delivery systems and cardiac monitoring services for the treatment of emergency medical problems. The company's products include automatic injectors for self-administration by the military, as well as injectors such as the Epipen auto-injector containing epinephrine for severe allergic reactions and the LidoPen auto-injector (lidocaine) for treatment of cardiac arrhythmias.

Survival provides complete sterile parenteral contract filling and packaging services for prefilled syringes, including pharmaceutical research and development. The company also operates a transtelephonic cardiac monitoring service for high-risk heart patients and markets the CardioBeeper ECG transmitters.

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TAMPA, FL (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Merlin Gackle and Harvey Glassman have both been promoted to the position executive vice president and member of the executive committee of INVEST Financial Corp.

The announcement was made by D. Mark Olson, president and chief executive officer. INVEST provides complementary financial products and services to clients of about 200 banks and thrifts nationwide.

Gackle, director of sales, will continue to have responsibility for a nationwide sales force comprised of more than 1,600 INVEST Representatives, INVEST Managers and Regional Sales Managers. Glassman, director of financial services, will continue to have responsibility for selecting products that are offered to bank clients at INVEST Centers nationwide, and for marketing, financial planning, portfolio review and pension services.

Gackle and Glassman join Olson and Lou Newtson, INVEST's chief financial officer and director of finance and administration, as members of the Executive Committee, which sets policy for the company.

In other news, Jeff Thornton has been appointed to the position of senior vice president in charge of new business development with responsibility for

bringing new banks into the INVEST network. Until recently, Thornton managed the financial institution division of Sun America Marketing of Los Angeles, a subsidiary of Broad Inc. Prior to that he was with Landmark Financial Services, where he was responsible for implementing the Citibank annuity program in New York.

Gackle joined INVEST in 1990 from Colonial Investment Services in Boston where he was senior vice president and national sales manager responsible for the sale and marketing of annuity products and mutual funds.

Glassman also joined INVEST in 1990 from Shearson Lehman Hutton in New York, where he was senior vice president in charge of product development. Glassman has more than 30 years of industry experience, including 10 years with Shearson.

INVEST Financial Corp. is a subsidiary of Kemper Financial Companies. INVEST is the oldest firm of its type and was founded solely to provide bank clients with annuities, mutual funds, unit investment trusts, financial planning and other services.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Ervin Shames, president and chief executive officer of The Stride Rite Corp., Monday announced the appointment of Robert J. Lambert to the position of corporate vice president of human resources.

The position had been open for the last six months.

''I am very pleased to have Mr. Lambert on board,'' said Shames. ''He is an outstanding professional in the Human Resource field and will be an asset to the corporation,'' he continued.

Lambert has been employed by PepsiCo., Inc. for the past ten years in a variety of Human Resources positions, most recently, as director of personnel resources for Pepsi Cola West, located in Irvine, Calif.

The Stride Rite Corp. is a NYSE Co. and a leading marketer of high quality children's footwear. The company is also a leading marketer of boating and recreational footwear and a major marketer and importer of athletic and casual shoes for adults and children. The company operates approximately 200 retail units and leased children's shoe departments throughout the United States.

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SILER CITY, NC (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Communication Cable Inc. (NASDAQ: CABL), a specialty electronic wire and cable manufacturer headquartered in Siler City, Monday reported sales and earnings for its fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Annual sales of $25,077,818 for fiscal 1990 were up 13 percent over fiscal 1989 sales of $22,167,384. The company reported net earnings of $1,880,337 for 1990, compared to net earnings of $1,103,068 in 1989, an increase of 70 percent. Earnings for 1989 included an extraordinary gain of $104,868, and earnings before extraordinary gain of $998,200. Earnings before extraordinary items increased 88 percent for 1990.

Earnings per share for fiscal 1990 were $1.03, compared to 80 cents before extraordinary gain and 89 cents of net earnings in 1989. Of particular note is the fact that there were 1,820,164 shares outstanding during 1990 compared to 1,243,498 during 1989, an increase of 46 percent.

For the fourth quarter of 1990, sales were $8,433,648 compared to $5,381,786 in 1989, in increase of 57 percent. Earnings for the quarter were $476,510 in 1990, compared to $268,441 before extraordinary gain and $373,309 of net earnings. Earnings per share were 26 cents for the quarter in 1990 compared to 21 cents in 1989 before extraordinary items and 29 cents of net earnings.

In spite of the economic downturn, Communication Cable Inc. realized growth in sales and earnings. The real revenue growth for the year was even stronger than the sales numbers indicate. Substantial sales were lost in 1990, from two accounts who suffered severe financial problems after going through LBO's. The majority of the lost sales was replaced with new accounts which would have significantly increased sales, if the problem accounts had remained healthy.

The fourth quarter consolidated sales and earnings included the first full quarter results of the Texarkana division which commenced operations in July 1990. This division has been operating profitably since the acquisition of certain assets of Texarkana Wire and Cable and is expected to make positive contributions in 1991.

The Saxton division has experienced a number of start-up delays, but is progressing well with equipment trial runs and testing programs for military approval of products. The Saxton division is expected to make steady monthly production gains throughout 1991.

The Chinese Shenzhen joint venture is progressing well. CCI engineering and

production teams visited the Chinese factory and assisted in the equipment installation and start-up during August through October 1990. Raw material sourcing and Underwriter Laboratory approval applications are underway.

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HUNT VALLEY, MD (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - McCormick & Co. Inc. (NASDAQ:MCCRK) Monday announced that its board of directors has declared an increase of its quarterly dividend to 13 cents per share on both classes of its common stocks, payable Jan. 18, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 28, 1990.

The action represents an 8% increase over the prior dividend payout rate. Since April of 1988, the dividend has been raised six times. During 1990, excluding this action, dividends paid by the company increased 35%.

This is the 66th year of consecutive dividend payments by the company.

Commented Charles P. McCormick Jr., chairman of the board and chief executive officer, ''We have completed three consecutive years of strong performance, and this represents another opportunity to reward our shareholders. We believe the company's prospects remain strong and expect additional dividend increases in the future.''

McCormick is the international producer of seasonings, flavorings and specialty foods.

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COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Meret Inc. (NASDAQ:MRET) reported Monday a net income of $10,341 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 compared to a net loss of $44,788 incurred for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989.

Total revenues for the first fiscal quarter of 1991 were $3,356,571 compared to $2,496,197 for the like quarter last year.

The revenue increase is principally due to higher revenues earned from the

company's design production and implementation business. However, the impact of this revenue increase was diminished by higher selling, general and administrative expenses incurred through a new sales office in London, England opened in January 1990 and recently opened regional design offices in Atlanta (April 1990) and Boston (July 1990).

Separately, in June 1990, Meret announced its board of directors had approved a proposed reverse stock split for the purpose of reducing its shareholder base below 300, and thereby allowing Meret to terminate its registration with the Securities and Exchange Commission and eliminate the substantial costs incurred in complying with the reporting requirements of a public company.

Although preliminary proxy materials were filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in June 1990, regarding this transaction, the company has decided to delay its efforts to effect the transaction due to limited available cash resources.

Meret intends to continue to evaluate the feasibility of completing the transaction based on future operating results and available cash resources.

Meret operates Retail Planning Associates, one of the world's largest retail consulting and design firms.

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CHARDON, OH (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Essef Corp. announced Monday that it had signed a letter of intent with Apogee Plastic Technologies Inc., a privately held company to sell to Apogee the remaining assets of FAME Plastics Inc. located in Daytona Beach, Fla.

The sale is contingent on the achievement of various milestones, including reaching agreement on a definitive purchase and sales agreement, acceptance by Apogee and its lenders of the environmental condition of the property, and of Apogee obtaining financing no later than Jan. 21, 1991. The purchase price is $6,500,000 in cash, $1,000,000 in a 12 percent subordinated note, and warrants to purchase up to 5 percent of Apogee.

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Jericap Inc. (traded over the

counter) announced Monday the signing of a letter of intent whereby Jericap would acquire Graff Pay-Per-View Inc., a company engaged in the sale of movies on a pay-per-view basis to hotel guests and others.

Jericap was formed for the purpose of acquiring a business of a type and in an industry not previously known. The company has 4 million shares issued and outstanding and approximately $320,000 in cash and net worth, including the note referred to below. In addition, there are 25,600,000 warrants exercisable at 25 cents per share, all of which are publicly held.

As proposed, the acquisition of Graff would result in the issuance of up to 28,666,667 shares to the Graff shareholders and finders including shares to certain private placement investors who will invest approximately $600,000 into Graff prior to the closing.

Concurrently with the execution of the letter of intent, Jericap loaned $50,000 to an affiliate of Graff in exchange for a $50,000 note and 80,000 shares of Graff common stock. The company also announced that it expects to seek to effect a 1:40 reverse stock split following the closing of the contemplated transaction.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Nortek Inc. (NYSE: NTK) announced Monday that Dennis J. McGillicuddy has been elected as a director.

McGillicuddy holds a B.A. degree from the University of Florida and a J.D. degree from the University of Florida Law School. McGillicuddy is a co-founder of Coaxial Communications, for which he currently serves as president and member of the board of directors.

McGillicuddy also serves on the boards of CCX Inc., Benz Research and Development Corp. and PeopleWorks Inc., a non-profit organization. McGillicuddy, along with Richard L. Bready, Nortek chairman and CEO, and others, is a partner of Bready Associates, a partnership which controls approximately 13 percent of Nortek's outstanding common stock.

Nortek Inc. is diversified Fortune 500 corporation, manufacturing and marketing residential and commercial building products and commercial ventilating and air conditioning systems.

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POMPANO BEACH, FL (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - The following is NDL Products Inc.'s letter to stockholders.

We have just completed our 1st quarter results and I am very pleased to inform you that our efforts towards making NDL Products Inc. a positive winner continues. We now have two back to back quarters of profitable growth confirming all of our endeavors - the 4th quarter of last year and the 1st quarter of this year. Results are as follows:

The company's sales decreased to approximately $2,214,000 for the fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 from approximately $2,413,000 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1989. Despite this decrease, however, gross margins improved to 33.1 percent from 30.5 percent for the prior year. In addition to the substantial decrease in the cost of sales, selling and general and administrative expenses reflected a dramatic decrease to $586,900 for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 in comparison to $747,947 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. As a result, the company showed an operating profit of $145,216 for the quarter in contrast to a $9,291 operating loss for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income after deducting increased debt service expenses and income taxes was $42,459 in contrast to a $28,802 net loss for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income per share was 2 cents for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 while in the first quarter of fiscal 1990 the company lost 1 cent per share.

The company has no experience in judging whether the current economic decline in the United States will have a material adverse impact upon revenues and profitability, since during the last recession the company's predecessor was substantially smaller. However, since much of the company's product line consists of inexpensive items necessary to treat injuries and protective gear one wears while playing a sport or exercising, the company is very hopeful that there will be no material adverse impact upon its business.

As a fellow stockholder in this company, I am here to tell you that we are dedicated in making NDL a profitable progressive company and seeing to it that it maintains its leadership role in the industry of which we are so much a part. I am very hopeful that we will be able to meet our goals for fiscal year 1991. Most of our growth factor has been budgeted in the 2nd six moths of this fiscal year which takes place from January through June 30. I am also pleased to announce the bank, as of this press release, has increased NDL's credit line by half a million dollars. This reflects a continued confidence by our bank in what we have accomplished to date in hard numbers, cost savings and what we have budgeted for the future through fiscal year 1991.

CONTACT: NDL Products Inc., Pompano Beach
Norman D. Levine, 305/942-4560

-30- 3021
#90351b0865 12/17/1990 ~Business Wire

BOSTON (DEC. 17) BUSINESS WIRE - Boston-based 3i Ventures announced Monday its participation in a $1 million round of financing for PSI Medical Products Inc. (MPI) of Andover, Mass., and Avon, Conn.

Other participants in the equity financing included Ventures West Management of Vancouver, Canada, and Connecticut Seed Ventures of Avon, Conn.

MPI was formed in 1989 as a spin-out company, through joint financing between Physical Sciences Inc. (PSI) and Connecticut Seed Ventures, to commercialize and manufacture medical products originating in PSI. Founded in 1973, PSI is a private R&D organization with operations in areas of national defense, space and energy/environment.

It is considered one of the nation's top firms in winning awards from the federally mandated Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program, including a number from the National Institutes of Health in areas of laser applications to medicine.

MPI's first product is the ElectroMechanical Impactor (EMI), low-cost, minimially invasive endourology device for fragmenting kidney stones. A joint development with the Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH), the catheter-delivered device also has potential applications to gallstone fragmentation and to certain vascular procedures. The current financing will be used for clinical trials and to initiate manufacturing operations.

In conjunction with a remote, intelligent controller that supplies power to the unit, the EMI operates by forming and converting a small, confined pulsed electrical discharge into a mechanical impulse that fragments adjacent stones. The small discharge is confined and shielded so that it can be used safely within the ureter. The EMI technology is considered to be most effective in treating kidney stones that pass out of the kidney into the urinary tract, a condition which often requires hospitalization for the patient.

Patent applications have been filed both in the United States and internationally and MPI recently received approval from the FDA for its Investigational Device Exemption application to embark on a multi-site clinical program in the United States. The pilot clinical program was initiated successfully at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston in late October.

One outcome from the initial trial was the successful treatment of a particular type of kidney stone that has proved resistant to treatment with laser lithotripsy devices. The company plans to apply for FDA approval subsequent to the clinical program and to begin production and distribution in late 1991.

3i Ventures invests in start-up and early stage companies and is one of two U.S. operating subsidiaries of 3i Group plc, one of the world's largest sources of investment capital. 3i's other U.S. operating subsidiary is 3i Capital which invests in companies seeking capital for growth, acquisition, share repurchase or leveraged buyout.

CONTACT: Agnew, Carter, McCarthy, Boston
Nick Berents, 617/437-7722

-30- 3201

#90351b0869 12/17/1990 ~Business Wire

HUNTSVILLE, ALA. (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Intergraph Corp. (NASDAQ:INGR) Monday announced that it has been selected by Ameritech (Chicago) to supply automated mapping and facilities management (AM/FM) systems and services for Ameritech's five Bell companies.

The systems will be part of a new automated engineering system that the telephone companies will use to provide responsive, cost-effective service to their 12 million residential and business customers in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin.

Under the contract Ameritech will purchase hardware, software, maintenance, training and consultant services over a five-year period. Included are Intergraph's recently introduced Series 2000 workstations, based on the UNIX System V, Release 3.1 operating system from AT&T.

Aiding Customer Service

''It's important for us to provide the most cost-effective service possible,'' said Bob Humes, Ameritech Services' vice president of operations and process management. ''When implemented, the Ameritech Record and Engineering System will let us provide more responsive, higher-quality service by speeding design and construction for new telecommunications projects.''

Intergraph President Eliott James commented: ''Following a long, thorough evaluation, Ameritech chose Intergraph to provide major AM/FM tools. Other telephone companies understand the long-term implications of such a decision. We do, too -- and we'll work to see that Ameritech's trust was not misplaced.''

Automated Mapping

At the heart of the Ameritech Record and Engineering System (ARES), the Intergraph computer graphics systems will store accurate, uniform maps of each telephone company's service area. Replacing hand-drawn records, these color-coded maps will be viewed and revised on computer workstation screens.

Overlaid on these maps will be a display of each company's terminals, cables and other items in its ''outside plant.'' A descriptive database will store plant records (e.g., an item's identification number and installation date) and engineering information associated with each item (e.g., wire gauge and transmission characteristics).

By pointing to an item, a user can be shown a display of information associated with the item. Different departments may access the system's single database, reducing costly duplicate recordkeeping.

Illustrating the vastness of outside plant recordkeeping, Ameritech's Bell companies maintain records on the following items in their five-state service area:

-- 1,900,000 terminals

-- 187,000,000 miles of copper wire

-- 230,000 miles of optical fiber cable

-- 18,000 trench miles of conduit

Facilities Management

This complete model of the outside plant helps the telephone company manage its facilities. Automating day-to-day operations, the Intergraph system will be used to:

-- process an average of 400 engineering work orders each week

-- generate work prints (a map/diagram of a project)

-- revise the distribution facilities model, so decisions and operations are based on current information

-- generate maps, plats and drawings

-- generate accounting and management reports

-- alert engineers to proposed actions which violate predetermined operating rules

Among its planning resources, the system helps engineers:

-- analyze existing and proposed plant features

-- generate reports on property records and inventory

Ameritech Background Information

Ameritech is the Chicago-based parent company of Bell Cos. serving Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin. It is also the parent company of several other information industry companies providing mobile communications, voice messaging, directories, audiotex services and lease financing. Its 1989 revenues were $10.2 billion.

Intergraph Background Information

Intergraph Corp.'s products include a broad range of complementary workstations and network servers, as well as complete application specific systems for computer-aided engineering, design, manufacturing and publishing, plus numerous earth science applications. A Fortune 500 company, Intergraph is the world's largest company dedicated to developing and manufacturing interactive computer graphics systems.

CONTACT: Intergraph Corp., Huntsville
Harold L. ''Pat'' Osborn, 205/730-8183 (Dec. 17 only)
205/730-2942 (after Dec. 17)
or
Ameritech, Chicago
Jeffrey Smith, 708/605-3877

-30- 4709

#90351c0003 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:18 that trade in Bioplasty Inc. (NASDAQ:BIOP) has been resumed. The first sale was unchanged from the halt, and up 5/8 of a point from the previous close.

-30- 345

#90351c0004 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:18 that trade in Ladd Furniture Inc. (NASDAQ:LADF) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 6. The company is located in High Point, N.C.

-30- 339

#90351c0006 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

LOEWS CORP OF NEW YORK, NY OWNS 5,856,921 SHARES (24.74%) OF CBS INC (TICKER: CBS) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

CBS announced in a press release, dated Dec. 12, 1990, its offer to purchase up to 10,526,000 shares of CBS's common stock for cash at a price of $190 per common share. The tender offer is expected to commence in the next several days and will be scheduled to expire on Jan. 21, 1991. The Loews Corp. and the Estate of William S. Paley have advised CBS of their intention to tender all of the shares under their control.

PURPOSE:

Cash tender offer to purchase.

-30- 781
#90351c0007 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

MORTON SHULMAN OWNS 1,097,250 SHARES (11.60%) OF DEPRENYL RESEARCH LTD (TICKER: DEPLF) OF TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 18, 1990 and Nov. 18, 1990 Shulman purchased 152,100 shares at CND$9.50 to CND$12 per share and on Nov. 22, 1990 sold 82,864 shares at CND$11.60 to CND$12.45 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 626
#90351c0008 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY BHK TECHNOLOGIES CORP OWNS 1,039,079 SHARES (24.50%) OF MEDIAGENIC (TICKER: MGNC) OF MENLO PARK, CA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to an option agreement dated Dec. 4, 1990, ICT holds an option to purchase all of the outstanding capital stock of BHK from BHK's three shareholders, which option is exercisable at any time on or prior to Dec. 31, 1991 for an exercise price of $460 per share. The option may be exercised in whole or in part provided that each exercise is against all three shareholders for an equal number of their shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 6, 1990 pursuant to a stock purchase agreement, BHK purchased 1,039,079 shares for a price of $.40 per share, and ICT paid $15,000 in cash for an option to purchase all of the outstanding capital stock of BHK.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1028
#90351c0009 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GAMCO INVESTORS INC OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 337,800 SHARES (50.78%) OF THE LVI GROUP INC (TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Dec. 7 and Dec. 12, 1990 Gamco sold 15,500 shares at $.25 to $.56 per share.

-30- 431
#90351c0010 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

JACK J CAMARDA OWNS 1,146,750 SHARES (7.20%) OF BARTON INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: BART) OF SHAWNEE, OK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Camarda believes that changes in management or the corporate structure of Barton Ind. Inc. would enhance the its financial performance and stock value. Camarda has communicated such beliefs to Barton Industries Inc.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 4 and Nov. 2, 1990 Camarda sold 15,000 shares at $3.88 to $4.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Proposed changes in management.

-30- 701
#90351c0011 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY LEONARD CHAVIN OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS OWNS 194,000 SHARES (12.20%) OF GENERAL EMPLOYMENT ENTERPRISES INC (TICKER: JOB) OF OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 28, 1990 and Dec. 10, 1990 Chavin purchased 49,000 shares at $3.13 to $4.50 per share.

-30- 558
#90351c0012 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

MITSUBISHI INTERNATIONAL CORP OWNS 107,861 SHARES (1.70%) OF AMTECH CORP (TICKER: AMTC) OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mitsubishi Int'l may be deemed to be part of a group of company stockholders, such group controlling 32.7 percent of Amtech's shares.

-30- 452
#90351c0014 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

CARREFOUR NEDERLAND BV OWNS 3,386,500 SHARES (21.93%) OF OFFICE DEPOT INC (TICKER: ODEP) OF BOCA RATON, FL.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 22 and Nov. 26, 1990 Carrefour Nederland purchased 345,400 shares at $13.50 to $17.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 549
#90351c0015 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

EXPERTA TREUHAND AG OWNS 1,580,000 SHARES (7.50%) OF COMPONENTGUARD INC (TICKER: PLUGC) OF VALHALLA, NY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between July 9, 1990 and Sept. 17, 1990 Experta Trehaund purchased 1,290,000 shares at $.28 to $.38 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 540
#90351c0016 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY METALLGESELLSCHAFT CORP OF GROUP LED BY NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 5,766,667 SHARES (16.10%) OF AMERICAN INTL PETROLEUM CORP (TICKER: AIPN) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Metallgesellschaft have refinanced the bridge loan and the supply agreement related to the option agreement dated Jan. 2, 1990 with a loan and security agreement dated Dec. 4, 1990. Under the new loan, the filer acquired the right to purchase 5,166,667 shares at $.75 per share from Dec. 4, 1990 to June 30, 1994 as a condition precedent to the making of a loan in the amount of $9,855,392. The original option agreement and the 2 million share purchase warrant were terminated and cancelled cotemporaneously with the execution and delivery of the 1990 loan and security agreement.

-30- 992

#90351c0017 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:45 that trade in Mead Inc. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol MEA.

-30- 315

#90351c0019 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:45 that trade in Unifi Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol UFI.

-30- 294

#90351c0020 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:55 that trade in Integrated Resources 85 Limited Partnership (NASDAQ:AIMBZ) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last bid-ask was 10 3/8, 11 3/8. The company is located in N.Y., N.Y.

-30- 425

#90351c0021 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:55 that trade in American Insured Mortgage Investors (NASDAQ:AIMAZ) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last bid-ask was 3 5/8, 4 5/8. The company is located in N.Y., N.Y.

-30- 408

#90351c0023 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:05 that trade in Heritage Entertainment Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on NYSE, ticker symbol HHH.

-30- 330

#90351c0024 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:19 that trade in Texas Meridian Resources Ltd. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on AMEX, ticker symbol TMR.

-30- 334

#90351c0025 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:20 that trade in O.I.S. Opitical Imaging System Inc. (NASDAQ:OVON) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 2 1/8, 2 3/8. The company is located in Troy, MI.

-30- 380

#90351c0026 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Unifi Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol UFI. Trading was resumed at 10:38.

-30- 331

#90351c0027 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Heritage Entertainment Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Exchange, ticker symbol HHH. Trading was resumed at 11:00.

-30- 359

#90351c0028 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:00 that trade in American Insured Mortgage Investors (NASDAQ:AIMAZ) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 3 5/8; unchanged from the halt and the previous close.

-30- 376

#90351c0029 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:00 that trade in Integrated Resources 85 Limited Partnership (NASDAQ:AIMBZ) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 10 1/2; down 1/8 of a point from the halt, and down 1/8 of a point from the previous close.

-30- 430
#90351c0031 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BEN W SMITH OF P O BOX 686, HEMPHILL, TX 75948, HAS FILED TO SELL 232,932 SHARES OF GOLDEN QUEST INC. THROUGH RCL NORTHWEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 07, 1990.

(GOLDEN QUEST INC. TEL: 509 325-7106)

-30- 386
#90351c0032 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AIME PELATAN OF 4040 SOUTH IVANA ST, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84120, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF CHEROKEE ATLANTIC CORP. THROUGH WASATCH STOCK TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 06, 1990.

(CHEROKEE ATLANTIC CORP. TEL: 801 295-1000)

-30- 422
#90351c0033 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - QUINLAN J SULLIVAN OF 350 MYSTIC STREET, ARLINGTON, MA 02174, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,500 SHARES OF UST CORP. (TICKER: USTB) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 10, 1990.

(UST CORP. TEL: 617 726-7000)

-30- 392
#90351c0034 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MECHAM BROTHERS INC OF 181 WEST LOMOND VIEW DR, OGDEN, UT 84404, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC. THROUGH COVEY & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 06, 1990.

(WASATCH FIBER GROUP INC. TEL: 801 621-7414)

-30- 424
#90351c0035 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDUARD BARUCH OF 1750 SOUTH LANE, FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33316, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,656 SHARES OF WILDEY INC. THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 07, 1990.

(WILDEY INC. TEL: 203 355-9000)

-30- 377
#90351c0036 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MIKE UNDERWOOD OF 7025 SOUTH ANDES CIRCLE, AURORA, CO 80016, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000,000 SHARES OF HEAVENLY HOT DOGS INC. THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 07, 1990.

(HEAVENLY HOT DOGS INC. TEL: 813 945-2300)

-30- 416
#90351c0037 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCOTT B OLSON OF 7630 SOUTH DUNKIRK, AURORA, CO 80016, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000,000 SHARES OF HEAVENLY HOT DOGS INC. THROUGH RAF FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 07, 1990.

(HEAVENLY HOT DOGS INC. TEL: 813 445-2300)

-30- 408
#90351c0039 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STANLEY M FRIDSTEIN OF 3801 CHARTHOUSE CIRCLE, 0, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91361, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,495 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 482
#90351c0040 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LENNY M TARGON OF 4058 MARINER CIRCLE, 0, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA 91361, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,518 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER:

AMRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 471
#90351c0041 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK S FINKEL OF 3489 SOUTH COURT, PALO ALTO, CA 94306, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(CONSILIUM INC. TEL: 415 691-6100)

-30- 401
#90351c0042 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PAUL J HEALEY OF 333 SCHOOL ST #213, PAWTUCKET, RI 02860, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. (TICKER: MEDC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. TEL: 214 490-3190)

-30- 423
#90351c0043 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VENROCK ASSOCIATES OF 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA, ROOM 5600, NEW YORK, NY 10112, HAS FILED TO SELL 140,000 SHARES OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(KOMAG INC. TEL: 408 946-2300)

-30- 415
#90351c0044 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L LOWE OF 400 FIRST CITY BANK TWR, 201 MAIN ST, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 135,000 SHARES OF WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: WEXC) THROUGH DILLON READ & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. TEL: 817 335-4701)

-30- 455
#90351c0045 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAFI U QURESHEY OF 16215 ALTON PKWY, IRVINE, CA 92713, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF AST RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: ASTA) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(AST RESEARCH INC. TEL: 714 727-4141)

-30- 412
#90351c0047 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANNETTE FUNICELLO OF 16102 SANDY LANE, ENCINO, CA 91436, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE) THROUGH SCHNEIDER SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. TEL: 415 589-8088)

-30- 457
#90351c0048 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DINO NATALI OF 949 LARRABEE ST, W HOLLYWOOD, CA 90069, HAS FILED TO SELL 303,334 SHARES OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE) THROUGH SCHNEIDER SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. TEL: 415 589-8088)

-30- 452
#90351c0049 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LINDA A ARMANINO OF 55 STONEPINE RD, HILLSBOROUGH, CA 94010, HAS FILED TO SELL 500,000 SHARES OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE) THROUGH SCHNEIDER SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. TEL: 418 589-8088)

-30- 463
#90351c0050 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD A TABER OF 1019 ROLANDVUE RD, RUXTON, MD 21204, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF PRICE (T.ROWE) ASSOC INC. (TICKER: TROW) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(PRICE (T.ROWE) ASSOC INC. TEL: 301 547-2199)

-30- 429
#90351c0051 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MATTHEW G TEZAK OF 1550 S REDWOOD RD, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84104, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. (TICKER: SFD) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. TEL: 801 974-1400)

-30- 450
#90351c0052 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN W PROSSER JR OF 3323 CASTERA AVE, GLENDALE, CA 91208, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP INC. (TICKER: JEC) THROUGH JEFFERIES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP INC. TEL: 818 449-2171)

-30- 442
#90351c0053 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LARRY A MIZEL OF 3600 SOUTH YOSEMITE ST #900, DENVER, CO 80237, HAS FILED TO SELL 78,600 SHARES OF ASSET INVESTORS CORP. (TICKER: AIC) THROUGH MURPHEY MARSEILLES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(ASSET INVESTORS CORP. TEL: 303 793-2703)

-30- 426
#90351c0055 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN PAQUETTE OF 2000 BROADWAY #1106, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94115, HAS FILED TO SELL 59,051 SHARES OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(APPLE COMPUTER INC. TEL: 408 996-1010)

-30- 423
#90351c0056 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRIDGE CAPITAL CORP OF 1500 EAST TROPICANA AVE, SUITE 110, LAS VEGAS, NV 89119, HAS FILED TO SELL 78,677 SHARES OF NATIONAL HERITAGE INDUSTRIES INC (TICKER: NHER) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(NATIONAL HERITAGE INDUSTRIES INC TEL: 702 382-1200)

-30- 473
#90351c0057 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W KEITH TROWBRIDGE OF 86 BROOK VALLEY RD, TOWARO, NJ 07082, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF T2 MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: TSQM) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(T2 MEDICAL INC. TEL: 404 594-0475)

-30- 413
#90351c0058 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRENDAN J CASSIN OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 943-1234)

-30- 446
#90351c0059 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EUGENE F BARTH OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG #3, SUITE 255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,937 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7114)

-30- 412
#90351c0060 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT E CRAVES OF 13023 167TH AVE N.E., REDMOND, WA 98052, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,676 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 430
#90351c0061 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANZ E LAZARUS OF 74 ALBION RD, WELLESLEY HILLS, MA 02181, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 429
#90351c0063 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H WILLIAM JAMIESON OF 72616 TWO MILE RD, PALMS, CA 92277, HAS FILED TO SELL 115,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH TAMARON INVTMTS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 433
#90351c0064 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAUREL CUTLER OF FCB/LEBER KATZ PARTNERS INC, 767 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10153, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,505 SHARES OF FOOTE CONE & BELDING COMMUNICATI (TICKER: FCB) THROUGH SALOMON BROS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(FOOTE CONE & BELDING COMMUNICATI TEL: 312 751-7000)

-30- 473
#90351c0065 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MCCOURTNEY TRACY W TRUST OF 20525 MARIANI AVE, CUPERTINO, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF APPLE COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: AAPL) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(APPLE COMPUTER INC. TEL: 408 996-1010)

-30- 439
#90351c0066 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DIKER PATRICIA 1987 TRUST OF 5760 WEST 96TH ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90045, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF NEUTROGENA CORP. (TICKER: NGNA) THROUGH WEISS PECK & GREER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(NEUTROGENA CORP. TEL: 213 642-1150)

-30- 432
#90351c0067 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DIKER CHARLES TTEE OF 5760 WEST 96TH ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90045, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF NEUTROGENA CORP. (TICKER: NGNA) THROUGH WEISS PECK & GREER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(NEUTROGENA CORP. TEL: 213 642-1150)

-30- 418
#90351c0068 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRUCE DIKER 1987 TR OF 5760 WEST 96TH ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90045, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF NEUTROGENA CORP. (TICKER: NGNA) THROUGH WEISS PECK & GREER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(NEUTROGENA CORP. TEL: 213 642-1150)

-30- 420
#90351c0069 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID G MUGAR OF 3 NEW ENGLAND EXECUTIVE PK, BURLINGTON, MA 01803, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,644 SHARES OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(DYNATECH CORP. TEL: 617 272-6100)

-30- 402
#90351c0071 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KORNHAUSER IRENE REV TRUST OF 3550 W MARKET ST, AKRON, OH 44313, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF SCHULMAN (A.) INC. (TICKER: SHLM) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(SCHULMAN (A.) INC. TEL: 216 666-3751)

-30- 432
#90351c0072 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD J SHUSTEK OF P O BOX 7108, STANFORD, CA 94309, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(NETWORK GENERAL CORP. TEL: 415 688-2700)

-30- 419
#90351c0073 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN KURTIN OF 3835 KINGSWOOD RD, SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91403, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH FIDELITY BRKG SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 413
#90351c0074 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLERK FRANKLYN & EVELYN TTEES OF 2975 REDHILL AVE, COSTA MESA, CA 92626, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,988 SHARES OF PDA ENGINEERING (TICKER: PDAS) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(PDA ENGINEERING TEL: 714 540-8900)

-30- 436
#90351c0075 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RSF-I 9 OF 0 FERRIS HILL RD, EW CANAAN C, T0 68403, HAS FILED TO SELL 689 SHARES OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(ARTRA GROUP INC. TEL: 124 416-6509)

-30- 396
#90351c0076 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HANLEY B COX OF 4017 SOUTH WHEELING, TULSA, OK 74105, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,200 SHARES OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(FOREST OIL CORP. TEL: 814 368-7171)

-30- 396
#90351c0077 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MATTHEW J KAYFES OF 4845 SOUTH PERRY PARK, SEDALIA, CO 80135, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,500 SHARES OF TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: RRRC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(TRI-R SYSTEMS CORP. TEL: 303 399-6351)

-30- 418
#90351c0079 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRIAN A LINGARD OF 1880 WHITE OAK #160, HOUSTON, TX 77009, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,380 SHARES OF ALAMCO INC. (TICKER: AXO) THROUGH BRIGHTON SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(ALAMCO INC. TEL: 304 623-6671)

-30- 392
#90351c0080 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN A GOODACRE OF 17210 3RD AVE NORTH, PLYMOUTH, MN 55447, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF NORTHWEST TELEPRODUCTIONS INC. (TICKER: NWTL) THROUGH CRAIG-HALLUM INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(NORTHWEST TELEPRODUCTIONS INC. TEL: 612 835-4455)

-30- 450
#90351c0081 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM R HOFFMAN OF 5430 84TH STREET S.W., MUKILTEO, WA 98275, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,100 SHARES OF FLUKE (JOHN) MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: FKM) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(FLUKE (JOHN) MANUFACTURING CO. TEL: 206 347-6100)

-30- 457
#90351c0082 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN W BROWNIE OF 1513 BLACKHAWK DR, SUNNYVALE, CA 94087, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,700 SHARES OF STANFORD TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: STII) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(STANFORD TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 408 748-1010)

-30- 458
#90351c0083 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GUILLOT KATE GRANTOR TRUST OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. (TICKER: CHL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. TEL: 713 236-4404)

-30- 443
#90351c0084 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GUILLOT KATE GRANTOR TRUST OF 277 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10172, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,817 SHARES OF CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. (TICKER: CHL) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(CHEMICAL BANKING CORP. TEL: 713 236-4404)

-30- 445
#90351c0085 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN MORTON OF 26 MAGNOLIA CT, 0, LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ 08648, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,000 SHARES OF TOTAL RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: TOTL) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(TOTAL RESEARCH CORP. TEL: 609 921-8100)

-30- 413
#90351c0087 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN C GORMAN OF 55 SOUTH MARKET ST, SUITE 1100, SAN JOSE, CA 95113, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,234 SHARES OF AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. (TICKER: AMRC) THROUGH SAN DIEGO SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(AMERICAN RECREATION CENTERS INC. TEL: 916 362-2695)

-30- 461
#90351c0088 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JESSE W HOUDESHELL OF 1260 SOUTHWEST 19TH AVE, BOCA RATON, FL 33486, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF INNOVET INC. (TICKER: IVET) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(INNOVET INC. TEL: 407 394-0621)

-30- 405
#90351c0089 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEIL J COLVIN OF 1 KNOLLWOOD ST, NORTH EASTON, MA 02356, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. TEL: 617 551-4000)

-30- 430
#90351c0090 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LARRY C WULF OF P O BOX 300278, 0, DENVER, CO 80203, HAS FILED TO SELL 325,000 SHARES OF WULF OIL CORP (TICKER: WULF) THROUGH G K SCOTT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(WULF OIL CORP TEL: 303 860-7842)

-30- 388
#90351c0091 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HENRIKSEN ROSCOE L MP PLAN OF 31225 LA BAYA DR STE 109, WESTLAKE VILLAGE CA 91362, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,222 SHARES OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(INCOMNET INC. TEL: 818 707-4141)

-30- 443
#90351c0092 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - L T SANDS OF 951 VIA LOS PADRES, SANTA BARBARA, CA 93111, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,546 SHARES OF W.C.W. WESTERN CANADA WATER ENTE (TICKER: WCWE) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(W.C.W. WESTERN CANADA WATER ENTE TEL: 604 681-3445)

-30- 459
#90351c0093 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VIRGIL A HORMER OF 1721 MAPLEWOOD, 0, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,333 SHARES OF CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CFER) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 303 237-5151)

-30- 441
#90351c0095 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLEN HOLT OF 16102 SANDY LANE, ENCINO, CA 91436, HAS FILED TO SELL 63,806 SHARES OF ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. (TICKER: BLUE) THROUGH SCHNEIDER SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(ARMANINO FOODS DISTINCTION INC. TEL: 415 589-8088)

-30- 442
#90351c0096 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER T YOUNG OF 17333 LAFAYETTE DRIVE, OBEY, MD 20832, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF BIOSPHERICS INC. (TICKER: BINC) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(BIOSPHERICS INC. TEL: 301 369-3900)

-30- 405
#90351c0097 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WBK LTD OF 14826 HAYMARKET LANE, CENTREVILLE, VA 22000, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,903 SHARES OF CHOICES ENTERTAINMENT CORP. (TICKER: CECS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(CHOICES ENTERTAINMENT CORP. TEL: 301 644-3100)

-30- 432
#90351c0098 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JPS ELECTRONICS INC OF 2414 GORDON COURT, LONGMONT, CO 80501, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,445 SHARES OF INCOMNET INC. (TICKER: ICNT) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(INCOMNET INC. TEL: 818 707-4141)

-30- 406
#90351c0099 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 1

1990, Crown Brands Inc. dismissed its former auditor, Grant Thornton, and engaged the firm of Robbins, Greene, Horowitz, Rocklin, Lester & Levitan.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 566

#90351c0100 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on July 30, 1990, All-Ways Recycling Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cameron Capital Corp., acquired a substantial portion of the assets and liabilities of United Recycling Co., pursuant to an asset purchase agreement dated July 27, 1990.

Under terms of the agreement, All-Ways acquired an approximately 0.75 acre site containing a paper recycling center and related buildings and equipment. The United site is subject to both a mortgage and a contract of sale, Cameron reports.

United received at closing $100,000 in cash and a note for $96,325., and All-Ways assumed $224,305 of liabilities. United and its shareholders agreed not to compete with All-Ways for three years within All-Ways' service area.

-30- 950

#90351c0101 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows during August, 1990, David A. Spiegel, C.P.A., resigned as Petrovest's principal certifying accountant. Spiegel was engaged by Petrovest to audit its financial statements.

Petrovest reports Spiegel's report for the period April 20, 1988 through Dec. 31, 1988, includes an explanatory paragraph referencing an uncertainty concerning substantial doubt about Petrovest's ability to continue as a going concern.

-30- 620

#90351c0103 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 7 1990, the board of directors of Code-Alarm Inc. approved the engagement of Coopers & Lybrand as certifying accountants for the company.

-30- 346

#90351c0104 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 5

1990, National Health Care Systems Inc. dismissed Price Waterhouse, its former independent accountants, and engaged the firm of Ernst & Young in that capacity.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 591

#90351c0105 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 6-K report filed at the NASD by Quebec River Sturgeon Mines Ltd.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,589,496	$5,586,014
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,327,151)	$(1,514,789)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.14)	$(0.16)

-30- 708

#90351c0106 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Citizens Growth Properties.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$28,000	$(245,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.09	$(0.71)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	318,000	346,000

BALANCE SHEET

Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,848,000	$4,636,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,796,000	$4,507,000

-30- 859
#90351c0107 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Infinite Graphics Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,119,704	$1,232,963
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(443,291)	$(387,467)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.20)	$(0.17)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,221,686	2,221,686

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,625,353	$5,653,027
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(501,902)	$381,105

-30- 1037
#90351c0108 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Seneca Foods Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Oct. 27,	Oct. 28,
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$80,074,000	$80,773,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$514,000	$667,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.16	$0.18
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,098,110	3,405,318

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 27, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$227,582,000	$194,036,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$70,309,000	$70,918,000

-30- 1068
#90351c0109 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Forum Group Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$21,511,000	$38,621,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(18,229,000)	$10,047,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.56)	$0.31
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	32,548,000	32,548,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$532,104,000	$526,611,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$93,738,000	$118,492,000

-30- 1041
#90351c0111 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, PETROFINA DELAWARE INC, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN PETROFINA INC. (TICKER: API), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $77.51 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,397,956.

-30- 338
#90351c0112 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SEC - ON NOV. 02, 1990, FRANCES R KLINGLE, OFFICER OF AMERICAN WASTE SVCS INC. (TICKER: AW), SOLD 3,490 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,557.

-30- 320
#90351c0113 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 02, 1990, FRANCES R KLINGLE, OFFICER OF AMERICAN WASTE SVCS INC. (TICKER: AW), SOLD 77,450 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,542,226.

-30- 339
#90351c0114 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 02, 1990, JAMES R SODA JR, OFFICER OF AMERICAN WASTE SVCS INC. (TICKER: AW), SOLD 5,363 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 176,096.

-30- 327
#90351c0115 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 02, 1990, JAMES R SODA JR, OFFICER OF AMERICAN WASTE SVCS INC. (TICKER: AW) SOLD 1,603 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,599.

-30- 328
#90351c0116 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 09, 1990, CLARENCE J KJORLIEN, DIR. OF COLONIAL COS. (TICKER: CLAC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 311
#90351c0117 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 28, 1990, JOSEPH W EVANS, PRES. OF BANK CORP OF GEORGIA BOUGHT 635 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 153,527.

-30- 299
#90351c0119 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 28, 1990, PAUL W WILLIAMS, OFFICER OF BANK CORP OF GEORGIA BOUGHT 635 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124,838.

-30- 307
#90351c0120 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 12, 1990, RICHARD C CORR JR, SHAREHOLDER OF COMMUNITY BANCSHARES INC.(AL) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,281.

-30- 332
#90351c0121 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, K.R. PATTERSON, CHAIRMAN OF COMMUNITY BANCSHARES INC.(AL) BOUGHT 333 SHARES AT $15.24 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,476.

-30- 323
#90351c0122 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, B.K. WALKER JR, AFFILIATED PERSON OF COMMUNITY BANCSHARES INC.(AL) BOUGHT 334 SHARES AT $15.24 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,685.

-30- 338
#90351c0123 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 23, 1990, C.A. ADAMS, DIR. OF FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANC SHARES INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,606.

-30- 320
#90351c0124 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 23, 1990, D.E. MARVIN JR, DIR. OF FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANC SHARES INC. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,859.

-30- 325
#90351c0125 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 23, 1990, G.W. MELVIN, DIR. OF FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANC SHARES INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,090.

-30- 322
#90351c0127 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 20, 1990, J.C. LITTLETON, DIR. OF HARDINGE BROTHERS INC. (TICKER: HDNG) SOLD 2,644 SHARES AT $25.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 285
#90351c0128 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 6, 1990 TO NOV. 16, 1990, H.L. COHODAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICHIGAN FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: MHFC) BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES FROM $12.63 TO $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 103,000.

-30- 361
#90351c0129 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 6, 1990 TO NOV. 16, 1990, H.L. COHODAS, CHAIRMAN OF MICHIGAN FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: MHFC) BOUGHT 2,650 SHARES FROM $12.63 TO $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 130,341.

-30- 363
#90351c0130 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 6, 1990 TO NOV. 16, 1990, W.L. COHODAS, DIR. OF MICHIGAN FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: MHFC) BOUGHT 2,650 SHARES FROM $12.63 TO $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 204,419.

-30- 355
#90351c0131 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 14, 1990, H.C. HIGLEY JR, DIR. OF MICHIGAN FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: MHFC) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 427.

-30- 316
#90351c0132 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 31, 1990, D.L. ALMAND, CHAIRMAN OF MID-SOUTH BANCORP. INC. (KY) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,402.

-30- 315
#90351c0133 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MARCH 23, 1990 TO OCT. 24, 1990, C.D. DOWNEY, DIR. OF MID-SOUTH BANCORP. INC. (KY) BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES FROM $26.00 TO $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,168.

-30- 342
#90351c0135 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 17, 1990, H.C. PATTON III, DIR. OF MID-SOUTH BANCORP. INC. (KY) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,503.

-30- 306
#90351c0136 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, R.D. YOUNG, DIR. OF MID-SOUTH BANCORP. INC. (KY) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,918.

-30- 305
#90351c0137 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 24, 1990, R.D. YOUNG, DIR. OF MID-SOUTH BANCORP. INC. (KY) BOUGHT 262 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,966.

-30- 303
#90351c0138 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 29, 1990, L.G. SAPP, VP OF PUBLIX SUPER MARKETS INC. SOLD 200 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,193.

-30- 294
#90351c0139 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 28, 1990, P. TRUMMIE L, DIR. OF SOUTHERN BANK GROUP INC. BOUGHT 625 SHARES AT $8.89 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,625.

-30- 301
#90351c0140 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAY 24, 1988 TO MAY 1, 1989, L.R. CO TRUST, DIR. OF SECURITY CHICAGO CORP. BOUGHT 360 SHARES FROM $18.00 TO $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 326
#90351c0141 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JAN. 16, 1989, V.S. HOESCH, DIR. OF WEST BANCORP INC. SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,278.

-30- 290
#90351c0143 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 19, 1990, J. ADONI, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF L.J. SIMONE INC.(TICKER: LJSI) BOUGHT 41,666 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 903,191.

-30- 349
#90351c0144 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 15, 1990, R.S.S.V. FUND II, BEN. OWNER OF L.J. SIMONE INC. (TICKER: LJSI) BOUGHT 3,666,667 SHARES AT $0.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,666,667.

-30- 335
#90351c0145 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 26, 1990, R.B. SWART, VP OF PEOPLES BANCORPORATION BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 287
#90351c0146 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 20, 1990 TO NOV. 29, 1990, WOLFE KNOTTINGHAM LTD, BEN. OWNER OF UNITED NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: UTDN) BOUGHT 640 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 89,656.

-30- 378
#90351c0147 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, E.P. THOMAS, CHAIRMAN OF VALLEY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: VCCN) BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 847,510.

-30- 321
#90351c0148 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, P.M. THOMAS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF VALLEY CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: VCCN) BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES FROM $14.00 TO $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 610,910.

-30- 351
#90351c0149 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB. 17, 1988, W.D. DAVIS, DIR. OF MGM/UA COMMUNICATIONS CO. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90351c0151 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 6, 1990, S.A. GOLDEN, VP OF THE NEW YORK TIMES (TICKER: NYT), SOLD 450 CLASS A SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,415.

-30- 310
#90351c0152 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 22, 1990, J.G. VICQ, DIR. OF POTASH CORP OF SASKATCHEWAN INC. (TICKER: POT), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 321
#90351c0153 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 2, 1990 TO NOV. 4, 1990, K.L. BIDDLE, VP OF URANIUM RESOURCES INC.(TICKER: URIX) SOLD 15,000 SHARES FROM $6.00 TO $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 333,172.

-30- 342
#90351c0154 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 7, 1990, D.L. SCHMITT, SHAREHOLDER OF WHEELABRATOR TECHNOLOGIES INC.(TICKER: WTI), SOLD 2,837 SHARES AT $36.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,536.

-30- 347
#90351c0155 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, M.L. GLASS, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(DE) SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE.

-30- 264
#90351c0156 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 6, 1990 TO NOV. 30, 1990, A.L. JARABEK, BEN. OWNER OF FALL RIVER GAS CO.(TICKER: FALL) BOUGHT 2,525 SHARES FROM $37.50 TO $39.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,839.

-30- 357
#90351c0157 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 14, 1990, A.N. ADAMS JR, DIR. OF SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC. SOLD 1,400 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,060.

-30- 310
#90351c0159 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, DENNIS M DRAEGER, DIV. OFFICER OF ARMSTRONG WORLD INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ACK), SOLD 397 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,726.

-30- 341
#90351c0160 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, MICHAEL C BARTH, DIV. OFFICER OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 347
#90351c0161 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 23, 1990, MICHAEL K GOLDMAN, VP OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES FROM $8.63 TO $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 361
#90351c0162 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, ROBERT P CARTER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ACXIOM CORP. (TICKER: ACXM), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,006.

-30- 328
#90351c0163 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, RODGER S KLINE, VP OF ACXIOM CORP. (TICKER: ACXM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 239,909.

-30- 293
#90351c0164 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, JOHN J RIGAS, CHAIRMAN OF ADELPHIA COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ADLA), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES FROM $4.83 TO $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,896,299.

-30- 373
#90351c0165 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ROBERT J OCONNELL, VP OF AIR EXPRESS INTL CORP. (TICKER: AEX), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 320
#90351c0167 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, EARL W POWELL, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIS GROUP INC. (TICKER: AGH), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 436,406.

-30- 342
#90351c0168 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, MICHAEL H FEINSTEIN, VP OF ASSET INVESTORS CORP. (TICKER: AIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 319
#90351c0169 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, CHARLES F LUDWIG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN INTEGRITY CORP. (TICKER: AIIC), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 350
#90351c0170 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, THEODORE D ROTH, VP OF ALLIANCE PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. (TICKER: ALLP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $8.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,500.

-30- 328
#90351c0171 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 10, 1990, MICHAEL A ELLISON, DIR. OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 198 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,362.

-30- 300
#90351c0172 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, ROBERT F HARTMANN, VP OF ALTERA CORP. (TICKER: ALTR), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 338,707.

-30- 341
#90351c0173 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, FUJITSU LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AMDAHL CORP. (TICKER: AMH), BOUGHT 1,130,000 SHARES FROM $11.84 TO $13.83 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,811,664.

-30- 342
#90351c0175 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, THOMAS P BAUMGARTH, PRES. OF AOI COAL CO. (TICKER: AOI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 328
#90351c0176 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, NEIL E RASMUSSEN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC), SOLD 30,171

SHARES FROM $17.00 TO $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 927,777.

-30- 427
#90351c0177 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, ALAN M VOORHEES, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: ASAI), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 149,806.

-30- 372
#90351c0178 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 08, 1990, ALAN M VOORHEES, CHAIRMAN OF ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: ASAI), SOLD 30,000 SHARES FROM $14.15 TO $14.29 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 526,019.

-30- 389
#90351c0179 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, ASHLAND OIL LEVER ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF ASHLAND OIL INC. (TICKER: ASH), SOLD 1,621 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,798,478.

-30- 343
#90351c0180 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, OVERSEAS LENDING CORP, BEN. OWNER OF ASTEC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ASTE), BOUGHT 77,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 477,000.

-30- 323
#90351c0181 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 09, 1990, PETER R HARVEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ARTRA GROUP INC. (TICKER: ATA), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES FROM $6.00 TO $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,229.

-30- 386
#90351c0183 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, CHARLES H GAUCK, OFFICER OF ALLIANT TECHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ATK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES FROM $10.63 TO $10.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 344
#90351c0184 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, STEVEN G ROTHMEIER, CHAIRMAN OF ALLIANT TECHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ATK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,050.

-30- 338
#90351c0185 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, TOBY G WARSON, PRES. OF ALLIANT TECHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ATK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 325
#90351c0186 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, DONALD E WILLIS, VP OF ALLIANT TECHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ATK), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 323
#90351c0187 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, LINDA L STEPHENS, BEN. OWNER OF ATEK METALS CENTER INC. (TICKER: ATKM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES FROM $3.63 TO $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 372,762.

-30- 368
#90351c0188 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, JACK J AGRESTI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,080.

-30- 372
#90351c0189 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, DUANE E ATKINSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,013.

-30- 376
#90351c0191 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, ROBERT D LANGFORD, VP OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 347
#90351c0192 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, HENRY TAUB, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC. (TICKER: AUD), SOLD 100,000 SHARES FROM $54.00 TO $54.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,858,098.

-30- 389
#90351c0193 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, MARCEL P JOSEPH, PRES. OF AUGAT INC. (TICKER: AUG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,997.

-30- 297
#90351c0194 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, NANCY W PASCAL, DIR. OF AMERICAN WATER WORKS CO. (TICKER: AWK), BOUGHT 30,500 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 848,292.

-30- 331
#90351c0195 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, PAUL E GRAY, DIR. OF THE BOEING CO. (TICKER: BA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $44.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 288
#90351c0196 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, WILBUR H GANTZ, PRES. OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 3,850 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 227,257.

-30- 320
#90351c0197 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, DALE A SMITH, DIV. OFFICER OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,860.

-30- 332
#90351c0199 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, EARL W POWELL, CHAIRMAN OF BISCAYNE HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: BHA), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 399,628.

-30- 324
#90351c0200 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, F JOSEPH BACKER, OFFICER OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 93,946.

-30- 320
#90351c0201 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, JOHN J MOORES, CHAIRMAN OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS), SOLD 188,000 SHARES FROM $19.75 TO $22.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,534,784.

-30- 355
#90351c0202 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, JOHN J MOORES, CHAIRMAN OF BMC SOFTWARE INC. (TICKER: BMCS), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,251,023.

-30- 325
#90351c0203 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, JAMES L FORBES, OFFICER OF BADGER METER INC. (TICKER: BMI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES FROM $13.63 TO $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,978.

-30- 347
#90351c0204 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, MARTIN J GREEN, VP OF BIRD MEDICAL TECH INC. (TICKER: BMTI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,461.

-30- 316
#90351c0205 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, W M BEARD, CHAIRMAN OF BEARD OIL CO. (TICKER: BOC), BOUGHT 9,500 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,206,951.

-30- 306
#90351c0207 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, DOUGLAS D BRENDLE, CHAIRMAN OF BRENDLE'S INC. (TICKER: BRDL), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

52,701.

-30- 317
#90351c0208 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, VINCENT J EARLEY, DIR. OF BSB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BSBN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,003.

-30- 307
#90351c0209 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF BIO-TECHNOLOGY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: BTGC), BOUGHT 47,000 SHARES FROM $2.13 TO $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,893,947.

-30- 395
#90351c0210 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, LORI ZAPPALA, DIR. OF BANCSHARES 2000 INC. (TICKER: BTWO), BOUGHT 3,125 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,125.

-30- 313
#90351c0211 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, LORI ZAPPALA, DIR. OF BANCSHARES 2000 INC. (TICKER: BTWO), BOUGHT 3,125 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,875.

-30- 316
#90351c0212 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, CHARLES M DIKER, DIR. OF BEAUTICONTROL COSMETICS INC. (TICKER: BUTI), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 166,000.

-30- 333
#90351c0213 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, GARY E MARTINELLI, DIR. OF COMPUTER ASSOCIATES INTL INC. (TICKER: CA), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES FROM $8.00 TO $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,300.

-30- 354
#90351c0215 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, ROBERT L HUBBARD, DIR. OF CENTURA BANKS INC. (TICKER: CBC), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,348.

-30- 316
#90351c0216 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, WILLIAM H KINCHELOE, DIR. OF CENTURA BANKS INC. (TICKER: CBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $12.88 TO $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,245.

-30- 332
#90351c0217 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, WILLIAM S FENOLLOSA, DIR. OF COMMUNITY BANKSHARES INC. (TICKER: CBNH), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 999.

-30- 331
#90351c0218 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, GREGORY C EHLKE, VP OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,440.

-30- 286
#90351c0219 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, ROBERT H MARTINSEN, OFFICER OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,692.

-30- 308
#90351c0220 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, MARTIN A WATERS, VP OF CITICORP (TICKER: CCI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 289
#90351c0221 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, COMCAST CORP, BEN. OWNER OF COMCAST CABLEVISION OF PHILADELPHIA INC. (TICKER: CCPI), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,443,275.

-30- 363
#90351c0223 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ERIC H HARDIN, VP OF CENTENNIAL BANCORP (TICKER: CEBC), BOUGHT 107 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,797.

-30- 309
#90351c0224 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, CERNER 401K P/S PLAN & TR, BEN. OWNER OF CERNER CORP. (TICKER: CERN), BOUGHT 5,659 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,890.

-30- 339
#90351c0225 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, ANTHONY J PISANO, OFFICER OF CHAUS (BERNARD) INC. (TICKER: CHS), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,100.

-30- 323

#90351c0226 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 18, 1990, CHESTER J PARDUN, DIR. OF CENTRAL JERSEY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CJFC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,830.

-30- 337
#90351c0227 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 01, 1990, CHESTER J PARDUN, DIR. OF CENTRAL JERSEY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CJFC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 338
#90351c0228 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, DUANE C MONTOPOLI, PRES. OF CHEMICAL FABRICS CORP. (TICKER: CMFB), SOLD 50,000 SHARES FROM $17.75 TO $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 359
#90351c0229 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, ROBERT I MILLER, DIR. OF COMPREHENSIVE CARE CORP. (TICKER: CMP), BOUGHT 8,700 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,595.

-30- 323
#90351c0231 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, DAVID S ALCORN, OFFICER OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 77,546.

-30- 329
#90351c0232 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, PETER A HOWLEY, PRES. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 15,000 SHARES FROM $23.25 TO $25.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 190,252.

-30- 364
#90351c0233 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, PETER A HOWLEY, PRES. OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90351c0234 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, HENRY P HUFF III, VP OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 3,800 SHARES AT $23.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 875.

-30- 321
#90351c0235 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, RAYMOND J ZABLOCKI, VP OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX), SOLD 2,000 SHARES FROM $23.25 TO $24.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,835.

-30- 359
#90351c0236 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, LEOPOLD SWERGOLD, SHAREHOLDER OF CONTINENTAL MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CONT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,304.

-30- 359
#90351c0237 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 24, 1990, JACK S KETCHUM, DIR. OF CONSUMERS WATER CO. (TICKER: CONW), BOUGHT 212 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,073.

-30- 315
#90351c0239 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, RICHARD A GALANTI, VP OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 31,000 SHARES FROM $37.25 TO $46.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,549.

-30- 352
#90351c0240 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, FRANZ E LAZARUS, DIV. OFFICER OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $42.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 337
#90351c0241 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, FREDRICK O PAULSELL JR, DIR. OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST), SOLD 10,000 SHARES FROM $40.25 TO $45.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 258,474.

-30- 362
#90351c0242 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, FRANZ EGERMANN, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 5,666 SHARES FROM $49.38 TO $49.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90351c0243 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, BRENDAN A MCLAUGHLIN, VP OF COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CPQ), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $52.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 492.

-30- 320
#90351c0244 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, GREGORY T BARNUM, OFFICER OF CRAY COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CRAY), SOLD 6,250 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,099.

-30- 321
#90351c0245 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, JOSEPH M BLANCHARD, OFFICER OF CRAY COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CRAY), SOLD 3,165 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,335.

-30- 326
#90351c0247 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 04, 1990, RICHARD L DAERR, PRES. OF CRSS INC. (TICKER: CRX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,548.

-30- 295
#90351c0248 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 08, 1990, BERNARD P GALLAGHER, PRES. OF CENTURY COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: CTY), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,600.

-30- 363
#90351c0249 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: CUE), BOUGHT 112,035 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,972,144.

-30- 353
#90351c0250 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, THOMAS V FALKIE, DIR. OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 309
#90351c0251 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, EDMUND J LOPINSKI, CHAIRMAN OF DATRONIC RENTAL CORP. (TICKER: DARC), BOUGHT 250,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 970,746.

-30- 336
#90351c0252 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, ROBERT H HAINES, DIR. OF DEL LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: DLI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES FROM $16.63 TO $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,948.

-30- 333
#90351c0253 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 17, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, DIR. OF DNA PLANT TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: DNAP), SOLD 150,000 SHARES FROM $2.88 TO $3.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,000.

-30- 361
#90351c0255 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, MICHAEL F LAWLER, DIR. OF DIAL REIT INC. (TICKER: DR), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 299
#90351c0256 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, JOHN W WYNNE, CHAIRMAN OF DUKE REALTY INVESTMENTS INC. (TICKER: DRE), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES FROM $2.75 TO $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 307,386.

-30- 367
#90351c0257 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, STEVEN B SCHICKLER, OFFICER OF DREYER'S GRAND ICE CREAM INC. (TICKER: DRYR), SOLD 18,900 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 332
#90351c0258 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, ROBERT H KLEBBA, SHAREHOLDER OF DURR-FILLAUER MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: DUFM), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,493.

-30- 361
#90351c0259 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, DAVID W THAMES, DIR. OF DURR-FILLAUER MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: DUFM), SOLD 10,000 SHARES FROM $24.25 TO $24.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 117,766.

-30- 362
#90351c0260 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 02, 1990, BURTT R EHRLICH, CHAIRMAN OF EHRLICH BOBER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: EB), BOUGHT 39,400 SHARES FROM $0.31 TO $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 640,290.

-30- 374
#90351c0261 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ECOGEN INC. (TICKER: EECN), BOUGHT 174,500 SHARES FROM $1.03 TO $1.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,766,000.

-30- 365
#90351c0263 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, WILLIAM B GORDON, VP OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,800.

-30- 308
#90351c0264 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, WILLIAM B GORDON, VP OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $9.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,800.

-30- 308
#90351c0265 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, WILLIAM M HAWKINS III, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,010,000.

-30- 372
#90351c0266 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, WILLIAM M HAWKINS III, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,010,000.

-30- 372
#90351c0267 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, TIMOTHY MOTT, DIR. OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 241,866.

-30- 324
#90351c0268 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 07, 1990, ROBERT L SPENCER, DIR. OF EARL SCHEIB INC. (TICKER: ESH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 311
#90351c0269 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 18, 1990, TERRENCE L CARRAHER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ESSEF CORP. (TICKER: ESSF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,515.

-30- 330
#90351c0271 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, RICHARD E RAINWATER, BEN. OWNER OF ENERGY SERVICE INC. (TICKER: ESV), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,690,696.

-30- 336
#90351c0272 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 29, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), BOUGHT 20,177 SHARES FROM $43.39 TO $46.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,204,682.

-30- 345
#90351c0273 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, EATON CORP PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF EATON CORP. (TICKER: ETN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $41.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,204,682.

-30- 311
#90351c0274 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, ROGER C COHEN, DIR. OF FAMOUS RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FAMS), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,000.

-30- 326
#90351c0275 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, EARNEST W DEAVENPORT JR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP.

(TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 580 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,318.

-30- 333
#90351c0276 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, JAMES A HASLAM II, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,820.

-30- 328
#90351c0277 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, JAMES A HASLAM II, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,312.

-30- 329
#90351c0279 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, HURLEY C TURNER JR, DIR. OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 650 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,450.

-30- 325
#90351c0280 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, DONALD R BREGANDE, OFFICER OF FAY'S INC. (TICKER: FAY), SOLD 575 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,159.

-30- 299
#90351c0281 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, WILLIAM T BUTLER, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,010.

-30- 344
#90351c0282 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, RALPH J DRABKIN, DIR. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 70,000.

-30- 334
#90351c0283 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, MARTIN J SIMON, PRES. OF FIRST CENTRAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $6.25 TO $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 131,675.

-30- 363
#90351c0284 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, JOHN G AMATO, SHAREHOLDER OF FREEPORT-MCMORAN COPPER CO. (TICKER: FCX), BOUGHT 990 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,890.

-30- 340
#90351c0285 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 28, 1990 TO OCT 09, 1990, LARRY C DEARING, VP OF NU-WEST INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FERT), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES FROM $0.88 TO $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 343
#90351c0287 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, DAVID E EVANS, SHAREHOLDER OF THE FOOTHILL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FGI), SOLD 1,690 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90351c0288 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, DAVID C HILTON, VP OF THE FOOTHILL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FGI), BOUGHT 131 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,965.

-30- 311
#90351c0289 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, JOHN F NICKOLL, PRES. OF THE FOOTHILL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FGI), BOUGHT 947 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,329.

-30- 318
#90351c0290 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, JEFF T NIKORA, VP OF THE FOOTHILL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FGI), BOUGHT 468 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 468.

-30- 306
#90351c0291 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, PETER E SCHWAB, VP OF THE FOOTHILL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FGI), BOUGHT 144 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,889.

-30- 311
#90351c0292 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, RICHARD A FOSTER, VP OF FIGGIE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FIGI), SOLD 1,050 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,375.

-30- 315
#90351c0293 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, ROBERT L LAURENT JR, SHAREHOLDER OF FEDDERS CORP. (TICKER: FJQ), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,340.

-30- 327
#90351c0295 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, JOHN P RENWICK III, VP OF FRANKLIN HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: FKL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 318
#90351c0296 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, ROBERT F HATCHER, OFFICER OF FIRST LIBERTY FINANCIAL CORP. (GA) (TICKER: FLFC), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,562.

-30- 352
#90351c0297 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, ROBERT D TUTTLE, DIR. OF FIRST MICHIGAN BANK CORP. (TICKER: FMBC), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,068.

-30- 322
#90351c0298 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 18, 1990 TO NOV 08, 1990, RICHARD D KLEIN, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST OF AMERICA BANK CORP. (TICKER: FOA), BOUGHT 625 SHARES FROM $16.63 TO $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,735.

-30- 372
#90351c0299 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, ROBERT S BOSWELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FOREST OIL CORP. (TICKER: FOIL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,164.

-30- 336
#90351c0300 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, RICHARD G GILMORE, DIR. OF FISCHER & PORTER CO. (TICKER: FP), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $7.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,061.

-30- 312
#90351c0301 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, FREDERICK L BRENGEL, DIR. OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 307
#90351c0303 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, MERTON CORN, PRES. OF GATEWAY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GBAN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,823.

-30- 309
#90351c0304 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, DONALD K SMITH, VP OF GEICO CORP. (TICKER: GEC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $148.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,500.

-30- 290
#90351c0305 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, STEVEN C CLARK, OFFICER OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $31.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 78,000.

-30- 327
#90351c0306 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, BRUCE M EISEN, VP OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI), SOLD 2,425 SHARES AT $34.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 316
#90351c0307 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, EDWARD F FRITSCH, OFFICER OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $34.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,000.

-30- 331
#90351c0308 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, THOMAS P MANIATIS, DIR. OF GENETICS INSTITUTE INC. (TICKER: GENI), SOLD 15,000 SHARES FROM $31.40 TO $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 364,675.

-30- 361
#90351c0309 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 23, 1990 TO AUG 24, 1990, WILLIAM J FIFE, CHAIRMAN OF GIDDINGS & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: GIDL), BOUGHT 1,180 SHARES FROM $13.25 TO $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,180.

-30- 354
#90351c0311 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, BRUCE G ALLBRIGHT, DIR. OF G & K SERVICES INC. (TICKER: GKSR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,855.

-30- 312
#90351c0312 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, WILLIAM J FLAHERTY, OFFICER OF GLEASON CORP. (TICKER: GLE), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,600.

-30- 306
#90351c0313 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JAMES B FITZPATRICK, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $37.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,212.

-30- 320
#90351c0314 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JAMES B FITZPATRICK, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $37.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,212.

-30- 316
#90351c0315 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JAMES B FITZPATRICK, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,154.

-30- 319
#90351c0316 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JAMES B FITZPATRICK, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $33.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,154.

-30- 316
#90351c0317 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JAMES B FITZPATRICK, VP OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,527.

-30- 319
#90351c0319 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, CHARLES E GOLDEN, OFFICER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), BOUGHT 630 SHARES AT $39.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 640.

-30- 316
#90351c0320 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, CHARLES E GOLDEN, OFFICER OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP. (TICKER: GM), SOLD 630 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 640.

-30- 315
#90351c0321 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, RICHARD BREWER, VP OF GENENTECH INC. (TICKER: GNE), SOLD 788 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 252.

-30- 288
#90351c0322 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 1,100,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,681,400.

-30- 386
#90351c0323 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, LOUIS MARX JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 343,700 SHARES FROM $6.25 TO $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,681,400.

-30- 397
#90351c0324 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JAMES T HENDERSON, DIR. OF GRIFFIN TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GRIF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,301.

-30- 331
#90351c0325 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, LYONNAISE AMERICAN HOLDING INC, BEN. OWNER OF GWC CORP. (TICKER: GWCC), BOUGHT 1,066,600 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,066,600.

-30- 329
#90351c0327 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, DOROTHY R BROWNLEY, VP OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,584.

-30- 331
#90351c0328 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, HBJ RETIREMENT PLAN TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF HARCOURT BRACE JOVANOVICH INC. (TICKER: HBJ), SOLD 1,303 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,077,547.

-30- 363
#90351c0329 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, HOLCOMBE T GREEN JR, DIR. OF HBO & CO. (TICKER: HBOC), SOLD 35,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90351c0330 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, HOLCOMBE T GREEN JR, DIR. OF HBO & CO. (TICKER: HBOC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,165.

-30- 309
#90351c0331 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, MIDWESTERN LAND DEV CORP, BEN. OWNER OF HODGSON HOUSES INC. (TICKER: HDGH), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 754,687.

-30- 335
#90351c0332 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUL 06, 1990 TO OCT 02, 1990, JOSEPH M VINCI, DIR. OF CLUB-THEATRE NETWORK INC. (TICKER: HDTV), BOUGHT 12,000 SHARES FROM $1.88 TO $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,854.

-30- 357
#90351c0333 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, TOUFIC ABOUKHATER, BEN. OWNER OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: HENG), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,934,800.

-30- 350
#90351c0335 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, DENNIS J IBOLD, DIR. OF HORIZON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: HFIN), BOUGHT 1,560 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,344.

-30- 329
#90351c0336 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM APR 28, 1989 TO OCT 25, 1990, GLENN R SANDERS, DIV. OFFICER OF HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HI), BOUGHT 566 SHARES FROM $22.25 TO $53.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,322.

-30- 367
#90351c0337 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, DAVID M BLAIR, DIV. OFFICER OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), SOLD 200 SHARES FROM $0.63 TO $0.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,530.

-30- 364

#90351c0338 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 26, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, ROBERT S CARROLL, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES FROM $0.69 TO $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 363
#90351c0339 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 29, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, RICHARD B COVELL, CHAIRMAN OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,600.

-30- 354
#90351c0340 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, RICHARD B COVELL, CHAIRMAN OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,000.

-30- 339
#90351c0341 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, MAURICE J FERRITER, CHAIRMAN OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,300.

-30- 341
#90351c0343 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 16, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, ROBERT F MAHAR, DIR. OF HERITAGE BANCORP INC.(MA) (TICKER: HNIS), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES FROM $0.81 TO $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,025.

-30- 359
#90351c0344 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, BMA CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF HOME OFFICE REFERENCE LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: HORL), BOUGHT 440,800 SHARES AT $9.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,770,000.

-30- 363
#90351c0345 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, BMA CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF HOME OFFICE REFERENCE LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: HORL), BOUGHT 80,000 SHARES FROM $9.50 TO $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,770,000.

-30- 371
#90351c0346 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, MICHAEL E HERMAN, DIR. OF HOME OFFICE REFERENCE LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: HORL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $10.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90351c0347 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 05, 1990, STEPHEN O JAEGER, VP OF HOUGHTON MIFFLIN CO. (TICKER: HTN), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,417.

-30- 308
#90351c0348 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, MICHAEL E GELLERT, DIR. OF HUMANA INC. (TICKER: HUM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $39.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 94,744.

-30- 301
#90351c0349 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 20, 1990, BENJAMIN L HOLMES, VP OF HEWLETT-PACKARD CO. (TICKER: HWP), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $47.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,136.

-30- 314
#90351c0351 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JOHN E ARNOLD, VP OF ICOT CORP. (TICKER: ICOT), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,200.

-30- 288
#90351c0352 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ANN B ODOHERTY, OFFICER OF ICOT CORP. (TICKER: ICOT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,010.

-30- 301
#90351c0353 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, D DEAN SPATZ, DIR. OF INVENTION DESIGN ENGINEERING ASSN. INC. (TICKER: IDEA), BOUGHT 2,900 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,850.

-30- 369
#90351c0354 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, THOMAS J PITNER, VP OF IE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IEL), SOLD 180 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,579.

-30- 290
#90351c0355 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, DAVID E CONRAD, OFFICER OF INSTEEL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: III), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 318
#90351c0356 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, J SPENCER GOULD, DIR. OF IMO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IMD), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES FROM $7.50 TO $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,000.

-30- 314
#90351c0357 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ROBERT R WOMACK, OFFICER OF IMO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: IMD), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 308
#90351c0359 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, PATTY M DEGAETANO, OFFICER OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,331.

-30- 315
#90351c0360 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, MARK G FOLETTA, OFFICER OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 4,400 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,454.

-30- 308
#90351c0361 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, SANDRA J FRY, OFFICER OF INTERMARK INC. (TICKER: IMI), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,258.

-30- 303
#90351c0362 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, KEVIN B KIMBERLIN, DIR. OF IMMUNE RESPONSE CORP. (TICKER: IMNR), SOLD 55,500 SHARES FROM $3.23 TO $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 386,916.

-30- 355
#90351c0363 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, NORMAN R SANSOUCIE, OFFICER OF INFOTRON SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: INFN), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,434.

-30- 326
#90351c0364 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF INTELOGIC TRACE INC. (TICKER: IT), BOUGHT 11,900 SHARES FROM $0.56 TO $0.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,900.

-30- 355
#90351c0365 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, ASHER B EDELMAN, CHAIRMAN OF INTELOGIC TRACE INC. (TICKER: IT), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,490,502.

-30- 349
#90351c0367 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 09, 1990, J C SVGS & PROF SH RETIREMENT PENNE, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 269,118 SHARES FROM $40.25 TO $42.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,656,230.

-30- 408
#90351c0368 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 16, 1990 TO NOV 23, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 11,809 SHARES FROM $41.25 TO $42.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,381,317.

-30- 402
#90351c0369 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, PENNY J C SAVINGS & PROFIT SHARING, BEN. OWNER OF PENNEY (J.C.) CO. (TICKER: JCP), BOUGHT 61,783 SHARES FROM $40.38 TO $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,381,317.

-30- 387
#90351c0370 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, HERBERT F IMHOFF, CHAIRMAN OF GENERAL EMPLOYMENT ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: JOB), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES FROM $2.50 TO $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 506,993.

-30- 387
#90351c0371 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, JPM STOCK FD TRUST DPSP, BEN. OWNER OF MORGAN (J.P.) & CO. (TICKER: JPM), SOLD 1,667 SHARES AT $40.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,279,684.

-30- 351
#90351c0372 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, SOVRAN BANK NA, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 352,577 SHARES FROM $19.08 TO $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,003,168.

-30- 356
#90351c0373 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, AIME RICHARDT, BEN. OWNER OF JRM HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: JRMX), SOLD 96,200 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 54,266.

-30- 323
#90351c0375 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JOSEPH M LAMOTTA, DIR. OF QUEST FOR VALUE DUAL PURPOSE FUND INC. (TICKER: KFV), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,600.

-30- 358

#90351c0376 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, SCOTT C CHEN, OFFICER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), SOLD 15,000 SHARES FROM $13.50 TO $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,182.

-30- 312
#90351c0377 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, SONNY WEY, OFFICER OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG), SOLD 19,000 SHARES FROM $11.88 TO $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,451.

-30- 324
#90351c0378 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, ROBERT F KLUMPP, DIR. OF KOALA TECHNOLOGIES CORP. (TICKER: KOA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124,000.

-30- 327
#90351c0379 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, ELI ARENBERG, VP OF CONCORD CAMERA CORP. (TICKER: LENS), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,004.

-30- 306
#90351c0380 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JON P NEWTON, DIR. OF LOMAS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: LFC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90351c0381 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, ROBERT H SWANSON, PRES. OF LINEAR TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LLTC), SOLD 15,000 SHARES FROM $12.00 TO $12.75 PER

SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 512,666.

-30- 361
#90351c0383 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, MARTIN A TRUST, DIR. OF THE LIMITED INC. (TICKER: LTD), SOLD 2,000,000 SHARES FROM $14.20 TO $14.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,927,110.

-30- 344
#90351c0384 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, LESLIE H WEXNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE LIMITED INC. (TICKER: LTD), SOLD 2,400,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 95,304,200.

-30- 364
#90351c0385 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, LESLIE H WEXNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THE LIMITED INC. (TICKER: LTD), SOLD 940,000 SHARES AT $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90351c0386 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, DAVID A BLECH, BEN. OWNER OF LIPOSOME TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: LTIZ), BOUGHT 41,700 SHARES FROM $1.16 TO $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 663,280.

-30- 369
#90351c0387 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, ROBERT J BOWLES, DIR. OF MAF BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MAFB), BOUGHT 998 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,112.

-30- 306

#90351c0388 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JERRY J KRUDL, DIR. OF MAF BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MAFB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,535.

-30- 304
#90351c0389 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, STANLEY M DAHLMAN, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 20,698 SHARES FROM $7.56 TO $8.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 327
#90351c0391 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, CLIFFORD H RABER, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,310.

-30- 314
#90351c0392 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, CHARLES C WALDBILLIG, CHAIRMAN OF MEDEX INC. (TICKER: MDEX), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 464,756.

-30- 316
#90351c0393 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, JAMES R DUNCAN, CHAIRMAN OF MILASTAR CORP. (TICKER: MILA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.70 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 586,815.

-30- 313
#90351c0394 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, JAMES R DUNCAN, CHAIRMAN OF MILASTAR CORP. (TICKER:

MILA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.47 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 586,815.

-30- 315
#90351c0395 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, BRUCE M CROWELL, OFFICER OF MILTOPE GROUP INC. (TICKER: MILT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,300.

-30- 313
#90351c0396 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, RICHARD PANDOLFI, PRES. OF MILTOPE GROUP INC. (TICKER: MILT), BOUGHT 8,300 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 192,725.

-30- 318
#90351c0397 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, RONALD E F CODD, OFFICER OF MIPS COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: MIPS), SOLD 1,265 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,500.

-30- 326
#90351c0399 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, RICHARD E STERRY, OFFICER OF MICROCOM INC. (TICKER: MNPI), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,200.

-30- 311
#90351c0400 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL LIFE INS, BEN. OWNER OF MARSHALL & ILSLEY CORP. (TICKER: MRIS), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 654,300.

-30- 350

#90351c0401 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 02, 1990, WILLIAM H NEUKOM, VP OF MICROSOFT CORP. (TICKER: MSFT), SOLD 20,214 SHARES FROM $64.00 TO $65.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 113,301.

-30- 342
#90351c0402 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, HARNISCHFEGER IND INC, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 35,300 SHARES FROM $15.50 TO $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,404,900.

-30- 383
#90351c0403 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, HIHC INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEASUREX CORP. (TICKER: MX), BOUGHT 35,300 SHARES FROM $15.50 TO $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,404,900.

-30- 334
#90351c0404 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, DAVID L MISTAL, OFFICER OF THE MYERS (L.E.) CO. GROUP (TICKER: MYR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 327
#90351c0405 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, WARREN F BRECHT, VP OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 28,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,800.

-30- 364
#90351c0407 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, PAUL J GRILLO, VP OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 29,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,300.

-30- 362
#90351c0408 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 26, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, JOHN F HEGARTY, SHAREHOLDER OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 43,000 SHARES FROM $0.97 TO $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,000.

-30- 378
#90351c0409 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, BILL M KNIGHT, SHAREHOLDER OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 28,088 SHARES FROM $1.00 TO $1.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,125.

-30- 376
#90351c0410 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 26, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, FREDERICK H KOPKO JR, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 44,400 SHARES FROM $0.94 TO $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 111,600.

-30- 369
#90351c0411 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 26, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, HUGH G MCBREEN, DIR. OF NORTH AMERICAN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: NAVI), BOUGHT 44,400 SHARES FROM $0.94 TO $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,901.

-30- 364
#90351c0412 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 23, 1990, RICHARD CHOLLET, DIR. OF NEW ENGLAND BUSINESS SERVICE INC. (TICKER: NEBS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES FROM $11.25 TO $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 364
#90351c0413 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, JAMES L HERBERT JR, PRES. OF NEOGEN CORP. (TICKER: NEOG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 140,968.

-30- 308
#90351c0415 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, KURT HECOX, VP OF NICOLET INSTRUMENT CORP. (TICKER: NIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,890.

-30- 311
#90351c0416 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, CHARLES W ROBINSON, DIR. OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NKE), SOLD 15,000 SHARES FROM $35.38 TO $35.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 265,000.

-30- 317
#90351c0417 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, BRUCE L BUSBY, DIV. OFFICER OF NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: NME), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $36.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 142,722.

-30- 350
#90351c0418 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, LEONARD COHEN, PRES. OF NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: NME), SOLD 50,000 SHARES FROM $36.38 TO $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 647,869.

-30- 346

#90351c0419 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, TAYLOR R JENSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NATIONAL MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: NME), SOLD 17,500 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 123,460.

-30- 361
#90351c0420 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ALFRED M GOLDMAN, DIR. OF NU-MED INC. (TICKER: NUMS), BOUGHT 1,700 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,216.

-30- 300
#90351c0421 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, JOHN E PEARSON, CHAIRMAN OF NWNL COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: NWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,554.

-30- 323
#90351c0423 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, JERRY W WATKINS, CHAIRMAN OF OCEAN DRILLING & EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: ODR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 351
#90351c0424 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, LEO P CAILLETEAU JR, DIR. OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC. (TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 343
#90351c0425 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, RANDAL B MCDONALD, DIR. OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC.

(TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 325
#90351c0426 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, ANTON H RICE III, DIR. OF OFFSHORE PIPELINES INC. (TICKER: OFP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES FROM $5.50 TO $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 353
#90351c0427 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 23, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, SIMEON BRINBERG, VP OF ONE LIBERTY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: OLP), BOUGHT 700 SHARES FROM $6.75 TO $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 354
#90351c0428 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, JEFFREY A GOULD, VP OF ONE LIBERTY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: OLP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 319
#90351c0429 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, MATTHEW J GOULD, PRES. OF ONE LIBERTY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: OLP), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 325
#90351c0431 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, BRUCE E CRAWFORD, OFFICER AND DIR. OF OMNICOM GROUP INC (TICKER: OMC), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 97,800.

-30- 340
#90351c0432 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, CRISPIN B WEINBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ORGANOGENESIS INC. (TICKER: ORG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 420,500.

-30- 339
#90351c0433 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 05, 1990, FRANK A MCDERMOTT JR, DIR. OF ORANGE & ROCKLAND UTILITIES INC. (TICKER: ORU), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $30.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 632.

-30- 345
#90351c0434 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, JOHN A SPROUL, DIR. OF OREGON STEEL MILLS INC. (TICKER: OS), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 314
#90351c0435 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ALLAN A CRYSTAL, OFFICER OF PITNEY BOWES INC. (TICKER: PBI), BOUGHT 1,896 SHARES AT $7.09 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,400.

-30- 318
#90351c0436 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, D MITCHELL CODDINGTON, VP OF PROPERTY CAPITAL TRUST (TICKER: PCT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90351c0437 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, WILLIAM T COLEMAN JR, DIR. OF PEPSICO INC. (TICKER: PEP), BOUGHT 390 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,734.

-30- 304
#90351c0439 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, ROBERT P DR MERIWETHER, DIR. OF PEOPLES FIRST CORP. (TICKER: PFKY), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,381.

-30- 331
#90351c0440 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, R E PUGH, DIR. OF PEOPLES FIRST CORP. (TICKER: PFKY), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,776.

-30- 303
#90351c0441 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, VICTOR F SPECK JR, DIR. OF PEOPLES FIRST CORP. (TICKER: PFKY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,804.

-30- 317
#90351c0442 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, MICHAEL J ALLEN, VP OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 2,991 SHARES AT $80.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 936.

-30- 307
#90351c0443 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 04, 1990, ROBERT N TIDBALL, PRES. OF PLM INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: PLM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 315
#90351c0444 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, KARL ELLER, DIR. OF PINNACLE WEST CAP CORP. (TICKER: PNW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,168.

-30- 314
#90351c0445 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, RUSSEL E OLSON, VP OF PUGET SOUND POWER & LIGHT CO. (TICKER: PSD), SOLD 300 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 230.

-30- 336
#90351c0447 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, KENNETH LEE, OFFICER OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM), SOLD 2,588 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 297
#90351c0448 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, IVAN A NAZARIO, OFFICER OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM), SOLD 7,000 SHARES FROM $18.25 TO $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 338
#90351c0449 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, JOSEPH C SHEPELA, OFFICER OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM), SOLD 8,610 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,195.

-30- 314
#90351c0450 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF RENT-A-WRECK OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: RAWA), SOLD 21,700 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 118,700.

-30- 370
#90351c0451 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, JOE D PENTECOST, DIR. OF REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: RBNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 132,979.

-30- 324
#90351c0452 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, DONALD G SMITH, CHAIRMAN OF ROANOKE ELECTRIC STEEL CORP. (TICKER: RESC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,575.

-30- 338
#90351c0453 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, CLAUDE C JOHNSON, VP OF RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: RESR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,049.

-30- 299
#90351c0455 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, JAMES R DOUGLASS, OFFICER OF ROBERTSON-CECO CORP. (TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES FROM $4.75 TO $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,300.

-30- 352
#90351c0456 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JACK HATCHER, CHAIRMAN OF ROBERTSON-CECO CORP. (TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,415.

-30- 319
#90351c0457 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JACK HATCHER, CHAIRMAN OF ROBERTSON-CECO CORP. (TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 321
#90351c0458 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, STEVEN SHULMAN, DIR. OF ROBERTSON-CECO CORP. (TICKER: RHH), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES FROM $5.25 TO $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 325
#90351c0459 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, RICHARD W MADSEN, VP OF ROHR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RHR), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,200.

-30- 296
#90351c0460 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JOHN A WAAGE, DIR. OF REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORP. (TICKER: RNB), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $45.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 313
#90351c0461 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, KENNETH M KARMIN, DIR. OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 112,000.

-30- 361
#90351c0463 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, HOWARD B SILVERMAN, PRES. OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), BOUGHT 6,100 SHARES FROM $3.75 TO $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,000.

-30- 383
#90351c0464 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, PETER NISSELSON, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SPEED-O-PRINT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP. (TICKER: SBM), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 521,252.

-30- 396
#90351c0465 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, CHARLES I FEURZEIG, SHAREHOLDER OF SDNB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SDNB), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 177,891.

-30- 337
#90351c0466 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, MICHAEL D PLITMAN, DIR. OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,075,950.

-30- 319
#90351c0467 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, OBREN B GERICH, OFFICER OF STORAGE EQUITIES INC. (TICKER: SEQ), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 378,560.

-30- 322
#90351c0468 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, JULIAN W EIDSON, OFFICER OF SCIENTIFIC-ATLANTA INC. (TICKER: SFA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 10,000.

-30- 328
#90351c0469 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 29, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, ALAN R HOEFER, DIR. OF SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. (TICKER: SFD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES FROM $27.00 TO $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,000.

-30- 363
#90351c0471 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, THOMAS R MIKLICH, OFFICER OF SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO. (TICKER: SHW), SOLD 1,989 SHARES FROM $34.00 TO $36.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 359
#90351c0472 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, FS SIGNAL ASSOCIATES, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 431,300.

-30- 341
#90351c0473 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, WG PARTNERS LP, BEN. OWNER OF SIGNAL APPAREL INC. (TICKER: SIA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 460,800.

-30- 322
#90351c0474 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, WILLIAM G KAGLER, PRES. OF SKYLINE CHILI INC. (TICKER: SKCH), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $2.99 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 196,267.

-30- 318
#90351c0475 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ROBERT L LAUER, VP OF SARA LEE CORP. (TICKER: SLE), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,585.

-30- 291
#90351c0476 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, SOL ROTHBERG, DIR. OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 96,250.

-30- 294
#90351c0477 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, PAUL E UNDERWOOD, OFFICER OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 129 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,223.

-30- 307
#90351c0479 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, WILLIAM MARCH, DIR. OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: SMGS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101.

-30- 345
#90351c0480 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, GARY E OLMSTEAD, OFFICER OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: SMGS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 376.

-30- 358
#90351c0481 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, WILLIAM A RUNYAN, DIR. OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: SMGS), BOUGHT 172 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,400.

-30- 354
#90351c0482 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JOHN W WIRTZ, DIR. OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: SMGS), BOUGHT 435 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,396.

-30- 348
#90351c0483 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JOHN W WIRTZ, DIR. OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GAS ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: SMGS), BOUGHT 154 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,155.

-30- 350
#90351c0484 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JAMES K BAKKEN, DIR. OF SIMPSON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SMPS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 312
#90351c0485 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, PAUL R TUCKER, VP OF STRATUS COMPUTER INC. (TICKER: SRA), SOLD 5,242 SHARES FROM $19.75 TO $19.78 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90351c0487 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, ALFONSO J FANJUL JR, DIR. OF SOUTHEAST BANKING CORP. (TICKER: STB), BOUGHT 603,700 SHARES FROM $4.38 TO $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,592,584.

-30- 363

#90351c0488 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, MICHAEL E ROSEN, CHAIRMAN OF SHOP TELEVISION NETWORK INC. (TICKER: STNP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,805,350.

-30- 344
#90351c0489 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, HOWARD C MILLER, DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), BOUGHT 650 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,025.

-30- 311
#90351c0490 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, ALBERT C BROWER, VP OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), BOUGHT 45,228 SHARES AT $7.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 91,574.

-30- 330
#90351c0491 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, ALBERT C BROWER, VP OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), SOLD 6,654 SHARES AT $7.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 91,574.

-30- 327
#90351c0492 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, ROBERT J GAITES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), BOUGHT 243,554 SHARES AT $7.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 455,135.

-30- 361
#90351c0493 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, ROBERT J GAITES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE STROBER

ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), SOLD 50,759 SHARES AT $7.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 455,135.

-30- 358
#90351c0495 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, GARY F KULICK, PRES. OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), SOLD 61,177 SHARES AT $7.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 158,600.

-30- 333
#90351c0496 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, GORDON SANDLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), BOUGHT 243,003 SHARES AT $7.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 494,486.

-30- 359
#90351c0497 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, GORDON SANDLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), SOLD 50,717 SHARES AT $7.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 494,486.

-30- 356
#90351c0498 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, NATHAN SCHWARTZBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), BOUGHT 152,459 SHARES AT $7.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 319,166.

-30- 369
#90351c0499 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, NATHAN SCHWARTZBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), SOLD 22,913 SHARES AT $7.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 319,166.

-30- 366
#90351c0500 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, JOHN YANUKLIS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), BOUGHT 217,095 SHARES AT $7.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 453,225.

-30- 359
#90351c0501 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JOHN YANUKLIS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF THE STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB), SOLD 35,821 SHARES AT $7.73 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 453,225.

-30- 356
#90351c0503 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, GEORGE T MALONEY, DIR. OF THE SUMMIT BANCORP. (TICKER: SUBN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 317
#90351c0504 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, DERALD B ROLLYSON, DIR. OF SUMMIT HOLDING CORP. (TICKER: SUHC), SOLD 2,971 SHARES FROM $14.00 TO $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,305.

-30- 331
#90351c0505 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, ARTHUR A HABERBERGER, DIR. OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,325.

-30- 334
#90351c0506 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, RICHARD E MOHN, DIR. OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,750.

-30- 319
#90351c0507 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, RUDY R MILLER, CHAIRMAN OF STATESWEST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: SWAL), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 78,575.

-30- 332
#90351c0508 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, DAN B GRUBB, DIR. OF SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO. (TICKER: SWN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $31.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 319
#90351c0509 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, JOHN N HATSOPOULOS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TECOGEN INC. (TICKER: TGN), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,807.

-30- 331
#90351c0511 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 23, 1990, THOMAS A ANDRUSKEVICH, VP OF TIFFANY & CO. (TICKER: TIF), SOLD 14,000 SHARES FROM $35.75 TO $36.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,500.

-30- 344
#90351c0512 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 17, 1990, RONALD J HAAN, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF TELESPHERE

COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: TSP), BOUGHT 105,923 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,976,923.

-30- 370
#90351c0513 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, STEPHEN K BRIMHALL, DIR. OF TSS LTD. (TICKER: TSSL), BOUGHT 14,829 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 116,836.

-30- 335
#90351c0514 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, PHILIP M MOUNT, DIR. OF TWO PESOS INC. (TICKER: TWP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,400.

-30- 301
#90351c0515 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, MARVIN A KELLER, DIR. OF TYREX OIL CO. (TICKER: TYRX), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $0.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,000.

-30- 303
#90351c0516 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, E RHONE SASSER, CHAIRMAN OF UNITED CAROLINA BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: UCAR), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,718.

-30- 349
#90351c0517 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, JOHN W HILL, CHAIRMAN OF UNIONFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UFF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 485.

-30- 319

#90351c0519 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, RONALD T NISHIMURA, CHAIRMAN OF UNIONFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UFF), SOLD 8,500 SHARES FROM $2.00 TO $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,699.

-30- 366
#90351c0520 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, GAMBLE M STENDEL, CHAIRMAN OF UNIONFED FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UFF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 332
#90351c0521 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, KEVIN H ROCHE, OFFICER OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: UNIH), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $17.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 284
#90351c0522 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, JOHN D TRIMBLE JR, DIR. OF FIRST UNITED BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: UNTD), BOUGHT 3,844 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,486.

-30- 338
#90351c0523 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, ALBERT M AUSTIN, DIR. OF UNION PLANTERS CORP. (TICKER: UPC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,924.

-30- 318
#90351c0524 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, RICHARD H BULLEN, DIR. OF THE UPJOHN CO. (TICKER: UPJ),

BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $36.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,800.

-30- 302
#90351c0525 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, WILLIAM N HUBBARD JR, DIR. OF THE UPJOHN CO. (TICKER: UPJ), SOLD 2,063 SHARES AT $36.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,295.

-30- 308
#90351c0527 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JAY R ROSAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF U.S. HEALTHCARE INC. (TICKER: USHC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $22.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,645.

-30- 336
#90351c0528 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, JAMES A KNOX, DIR. OF USMX INC. (TICKER: USMX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,632.

-30- 289
#90351c0529 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, JAMES A KNOX, DIR. OF USMX INC. (TICKER: USMX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,600.

-30- 290
#90351c0530 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, EDWARD H DEHORITY JR, DIR. OF UST INC. (TICKER: UST), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $33.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 298
#90351c0531 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, RANDOLPH K ROLF, PRES. OF UNITOG CO. (TICKER: UTOG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.87 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 520,000.

-30- 301
#90351c0532 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, PATRICK SHARKEY, OFFICER OF UNITOG CO. (TICKER: UTOG), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 302
#90351c0533 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAY 18, 1990 TO NOV 23, 1990, PATRICK SHARKEY, OFFICER OF UNITOG CO. (TICKER: UTOG), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES FROM $7.00 TO $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 335
#90351c0535 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ROBERT L GABLE, CHAIRMAN OF UNITRODE CORP. (TICKER: UTR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,000.

-30- 310
#90351c0536 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JAMES W BERNARD, PRES. OF UNIVAR CORP. (TICKER: UVX), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,363.

-30- 300
#90351c0537 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 07, 1990, JEFFREY A ROSENBLUM, VP OF VENTURE STORES INC. (TICKER: VEN), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES FROM $6.94 TO $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,200.

-30- 349
#90351c0538 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JAMES J KIM, DIR. OF VLSI TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: VLSI), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,300.

-30- 315
#90351c0539 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, DENNIS B ROBERTSON, DIR. OF VICORP RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: VRES), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 329
#90351c0540 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, CHARLES D HUNTER, DIR. OF WALGREEN CO. (TICKER: WAG), SOLD 26,000 SHARES AT $49.76 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 822,606.

-30- 306
#90351c0541 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 18, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, MICHAEL I GINSBERG, DIR. OF WESTAIR HOLDING INC. (TICKER: WAH), SOLD 2,200 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 225,842.

-30- 342
#90351c0543 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 30, 1990 TO OCT 31, 1990, CHARLES W HASH JR, DIR. OF WALSHIRE ASSURANCE CO. (TICKER: WALS), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,500.

-30- 341
#90351c0544 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, ERNEST S RADY, CHAIRMAN OF WESTCORP INC. (TICKER: WES), BOUGHT 117,700 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,182,323.

-30- 338
#90351c0545 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FD LP, BEN. OWNER OF WHITEHALL CORP. (TICKER: WHT), BOUGHT 53,300 SHARES FROM $9.00 TO $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 563,200.

-30- 356
#90351c0546 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, ROBERT E HAINE, VP OF WEATHERFORD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WII), SOLD 3,127 SHARES FROM $7.13 TO $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 331
#90351c0547 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, GAY S PETTER, OFFICER OF WEATHERFORD INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WII), SOLD 1,667 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,953.

-30- 330
#90351c0548 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, WILLIAM R ODELL, PRES. OF WELLINGTON LEISURE PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: WLPI), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 332
#90351c0549 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, THOMAS H CRUIKSHANK, DIR. OF WILLIAMS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: WMB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 325
#90351c0551 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, DOUGLAS T MAINES, DIR. OF WASHINGTON NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: WNT), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 318
#90351c0552 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, DON L WILHELM, DIR. OF WASHINGTON NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: WNT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 322
#90351c0553 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, DON L WILHELM, DIR. OF WASHINGTON NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: WNT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 325
#90351c0554 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, ANDREWS T COLEMAN III, PRES. OF WORLDCORP. (TICKER: WOA), SOLD 44,500 SHARES FROM $3.63 TO $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,611.

-30- 340
#90351c0555 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, HAROLD J OKEEFE, DIR. OF WIENER ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: WPB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 315

#90351c0556 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JOHN H WOMACK, DIR. OF WARREN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: WRNB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 313
#90351c0557 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, ALAN E WOLF, OFFICER AND DIR. OF WINSTON RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: WRS), BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,157.

-30- 339
#90351c0559 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JACK R INGRAM, PRES. OF XETA CORP. (TICKER: XETA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 78,500.

-30- 297
#90351c0560 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, RONALD L SIEGENTHALER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF XETA CORP. (TICKER: XETA), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES FROM $0.81 TO $0.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 202,754.

-30- 349
#90351c0561 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JOHN C WALDEN, OFFICER OF XL/DATACOMP INC. (TICKER: XLDC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 305
#90351c0562 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, FRANK J ROTATORI, OFFICER OF EXECUTONE INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: XTON), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING

DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,479.

-30- 357
#90351c0563 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, LEONARD A OCONNOR, VP OF YANKEE ENERGY SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: YESS), BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $19.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 210.

-30- 323
#90351c0564 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, MAURICE SCHOENHOLZ, DIR. OF YES CLOTHING CO. (TICKER: YSCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 315
#90351c0565 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

Y. FARAR OWNS 385,032 SHARES (4.80%) OF MATTHEWS STUDIO EQUIPMENT GROUP (TICKER: MATT) OF BURBANK, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 384
#90351c0567 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY K. KERKORIAN OF BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA OWNS 22,000,000 SHARES (9.78%) OF CHRYSLER CORP.(TICKER: C) OF HIGHLAND PARK, MICHIGAN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The shares were acquired, in part, as a result of the high regard held by Kerkorian and Tracinda for Chrysler Corp.'s chairman and CEO, Lee A. Iacocca.

Chrysler Corp. has adopted amendments to its shareholder rights plan to reduce from 20 to 10 percent the threshold of beneficial ownership at which the rights flip-in, that is, become exercisable to purchase Chrysler Corp. shares at half price.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 11 and Dec. 12, 1990 K. Kerkorian, et al. purchased 20,718,900 shares at $10.50 to $13.30 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 944
#90351c0568 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY W.E. BUFFETT OF OMAHA, NEBRASKA OWNS 1,208,032 SHARES (22.10%) OF PS GROUP INC.(TICKER: PSG) OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 14, 1990 Berkshire and PS Group Inc. entered into a letter agreement providing that PS Group Inc. will amend its shareholder rights plan to permit Berkshire and its subsidiaries to purchase up to but not more than 45 percent of PS Group Inc. common shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Oct. 19, 1990 W.E. Buffett, et al. purchased 604,757 shares at $33.05 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 767
#90351c0569 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.H. Stahlie, et al. no longer hold any Opticorp. Inc.(TICKER: LOOK) preferred shares.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 30, 1990 J.H. Stahlie, et al. converted without payment of any consideration, all of the 30,000 preferred shares owned by them into 120,000 Opticorp. Inc. common shares.

-30- 520
#90351c0570 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

PHOENIX CHEMICAL COMPANY OF ATLANTIC BEACH, NEW YORK OWNS 6,315,334 SHARES (86.60%) OF FAIRMOUNT CHEMICAL INC.(TICKER: FMTC).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 5, 1990 Fairmount issued to Phoenix 1 million common shares in consideration for Phoenix' cancellation of $1 million principal amount of long term debt held by Phoenix.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 5, 1990 Fairmount issued to Phoenix 1 million common shares in consideration for Phoenix' cancellation of $1 million principal amount of long term debt held by Phoenix.

-30- 742
#90351c0571 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY TIGER MANAGEMENT CORP. OWNS 581,100 SHARES (6.70%) OF COLLECTIVE BANCORP. INC.(TICKER: COFD) OF NEW JERSEY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Dec. 3 and 5, 1990 Tiger Management, et al. purchased 39,300 shares at $6.62 to $7.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 496
#90351c0572 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

FAG Finance announced on Dec. 14, 1990 that it extended its offer from Dec. 14 to Dec. 20, 1990 in order to permit the conditions of the offer to be satisfied.

-30- 341
#90351c0574 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP. OWNS 422,101 SHARES (4.87%) OF ASIA PACIFIC FUND INC.(TICKER: APB) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 26 and Dec. 5, 1990, Harris Associates LP, et al. sold 44,500 shares at $11.01 per share.

-30- 460
#90351c0577 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 5,227,400 SHARES (7.20%) OF MANPOWER INC.(TICKER: MAN).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 379
#90351c0578 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS (5.00%) OF HORIZON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HRZN) OF CALHOUN, GEORGIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 391
#90351c0579 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

D. CARR OWNS 199,887 SHARES (8.40%) OF CIVIC BANCORP.(TICKER: CIVC) OF OAKLAND CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 345
#90351c0580 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY OLYMPIA & YORK DEVELOPMENTS LTD. OF TORONTO, CANADA OWN 9,724,078 SHARES (15.20%) OF SANTA FE RESOURCES INC.(TICKER: SFR) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Olympia & York Developments LTD., et al. received their shares as the result of a dividend by Santa Fe Pacific Corp. on Dec. 4. Shareholders of Santa Fe Pacific received one share for each 3.3 shares of Santa Fe held and one share of Catellus Development Corp. for each 4 shares of Santa Fe Pacific.

PURPOSE:

Distribution of shares as dividend.

-30- 748

#90351c0581 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 399,000 SHARES (6.10%) OF CAROLINA FREIGHT CORP.(TICKER: CAO).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Increase in number of shares.

-30- 429
#90351c0582 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

FMR CORP. OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 1,949,250 SHARES (8.60%) OF IMCERA GROUP INC.(TICKER: IMA) OF NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 10 and Dec. 5, 1990 FMR Corp. purchased 64,125 shares at $55.75 to $71 per share and sold 423,850 shares at $62.42 to $71.27 per share.

-30- 488
#90351c0583 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

T.W. MARMON OWNS 2,430,049 SHARES (10.10%) OF W.C.W. WESTERN CANADA WATER ENTERPRISES INC.(TICKER: WCWE).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 24, 1990 T.W. Marmon was requested by the W.C.W. Western Canada Water Enterprises Inc. to grant a priority on the collateral for his convertible debentures. T.W. Marmon was issued 30,000 shares and 45,000 5 year warrants with an exercise price of $1.39 per share.

-30- 624
#90351c0585 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

FMR CORP. OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 825,873 SHARES (13.93%) OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC.(TICKER: HF) OF SHERMAN OAKS, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 26 and Dec. 6, 1990 FMR Corp. sold 80,000 shares at $28.88 to $31.17 per share.

-30- 444
#90351c0586 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FMR CORP. OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 266,000 SHARES (5.01%) OF CIRCON CORP. (TICKER: CCON) OF SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 5, 1990 FMR Corp. sold 3,000 shares at $7 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 425
#90351c0587 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FMR CORP. OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 7,541,026 SHARES (8.66%) OF THE EXPLORATION CO. OF LOUISIANA INC.(TICKER: XCOL) OF LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 2 and Nov. 20, 1990 FMR Corp. sold 645,000 shares at $1.92 to $2.79 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 500
#90351c0588 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

FMR CORP. OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 23,630,329 SHARES (9.82%) OF FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION (TICKER: FNM) OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 6 and Nov. 30, 1990 FMR Corp. purchased 87,629 shares at $29.50 to $32.44 each and sold 2,990,183 shares at $29.64 to $32.75 per share.

-30- 516
#90351c0589 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FMR CORP. OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 199,510 SHARES (5.04%) OF TUESDAY MORNING INC.(TICKER: TUES) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 13 and Dec. 5, 1990 FMR Corp. purchased 8,000 shares at $7.25 to $7.50 per share.

-30- 435
#90351c0590 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FMR CORP. OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 623,700 SHARES (6.62%) OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS) OF SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 8 and Dec. 4, 1990 FMR Corp. purchased 81,000 shares at $8.13 to $9.75 per share and sold 54,000 shares at $8.33 to $9.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY GLOBAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES LTD. OWNS 9,555,257 SHARES (56.30%) OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: NPSI) OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

In Nov. 1990 Global Financial Resources LTD. purchased 2 million Networked Picture Systems Inc. common shares at 5 cents per share.

PURPOSE:

Meeting the working capital needs of the Networked Picture Systems Inc.

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FORM 144

SEC - J.M. FOSTER JR. OF 1101 CAPITAL OF TEXAS HWY, SUITE 200, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78746, HAS FILED TO SELL 225,000 SHARES OF CHAPARRAL MINING CORP. THROUGH KOBER FNCL CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 5, 1990.

(CHAPARRAL MINING CORP. TEL: 512 328-6777)

-30- 434
#90351c0594 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.D. SEGE OF 29 EUGENIA LANE, WOODSIDE, CALIFORNIA 94062, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC.(TICKER: VAR) THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 11, 1990.

(VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC. TEL: 415 493-4000)

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#90351c0595 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.W. WATHEN TRUST OF 6727 ODESSA AVE, VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA 91406, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF PINKERTON'S INC. (TICKER: PKTN) THROUGH SUTRO & CO. INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 11, 1990.

(PINKERTON'S INC. TEL: 818 782-5400)

-30- 420
#90351c0596 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - N. BLUMSTEIN OF 180 MADISON AVE, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10010, HAS FILED TO SELL 1,142,500 SHARES OF ANGLO SWISS MINING CORP. (TICKER: ASMC) THROUGH WATT CARMICHAEL SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 11, 1990.

(ANGLO SWISS MNG CORP. TEL: 604 685-4368)

-30- 440
#90351c0597 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A.D. CASEY OF 1402 CHIPPENDALE RD, LUTHERVILLE, MARYLAND 21093, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,447 SHARES OF CORROON & BLACK CORP.(TICKER: CBL) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 11, 1990.

(CORROON & BLACK CORP. TEL: 212 363-4100)

-30- 420
#90351c0598 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEAL M POLLON OF TWO ALLEGHENY CTR, PITTSBURGH, PA 15212, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF LEGENT CORP. (TICKER: LGNT) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(LEGENT CORP. TEL: 703 734-9494)

-30- 394
#90351c0599 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEAL M POLLON OF TWO ALLEGHENY CTR, PITTSBURGH, PA 15212, HAS FILED TO

SELL 50,000 SHARES OF LEGENT CORP. (TICKER: LGNT) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(LEGENT CORP. TEL: 703 734-9494)

-30- 396
#90351c0601 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIETH E SORENSON OF 2500 WALSH AVE, SANTA CLARA, CA 95051, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 392
#90351c0602 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NUTT ROY EST OF 2100 E GRAND AVE, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,500 SHARES OF COMPUTER SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: CSC) THROUGH JEFFERIES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(COMPUTER SCIENCES CORP. TEL: 213 615-1770)

-30- 420
#90351c0603 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DONALD E STEVENSON OF P.O.BOX 1637, HOUSTON, TX 77251, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF STEWART & STEVENSON SERVICES INC (TICKER: SSSS) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(STEWART & STEVENSON SERVICES INC TEL: 713 868-7700)

-30- 442
#90351c0604 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PRUDENTIAL VENTURE PARTNERS OF 717 FIFTH AVE, 11TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CHEMDESIGN CORP. (TICKER: CDCC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(CHEMDESIGN CORP. TEL: 508 345-9999)

-30- 442
#90351c0605 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH CHALHOUB OF 777 BIG TIMBER RD, ELGIN, IL 60123, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,938 SHARES OF SAFETY-KLEEN CORP. (TICKER: SK) THROUGH WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(SAFETY-KLEEN CORP. TEL: 708 697-8460)

-30- 409
#90351c0606 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOXER OF 122 CLIPPER LANE, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 402
#90351c0607 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERNATIONAL DESIGN CORP OF 150 N MICHIGAN AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60601, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(STONE CONTAINER CORP. TEL: 312 346-6600)

-30- 432
#90351c0609 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PIERRE R LAMOND OF 187 ISABELLA AVE, ATHERTON, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 415
#90351c0610 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - HENRY TAUB OF 111 DEVRIESE COURT, TENAFLY, NJ 07670, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC. (TICKER: AUD) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC. TEL: 201 994-5000)

-30- 446
#90351c0611 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CTRLS INC OF 2424 EDENBORN AVE STE 620, METAIRIE, LA 70001, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF CHEMFIX TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CFIX) THROUGH PENN MERCHANT GRP LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(CHEMFIX TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 504 831-3600)

-30- 478
#90351c0612 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT G SWEIFACH OF 1148 ARDSLEY CT, SAN JOSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 413
#90351c0613 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOEL P DAVIS OF 40 BRACKETT RD, NEWTON, MA 02158, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,500 SHARES OF THE GILLETTE CO. (TICKER: GS) THROUGH SHAWMUT BRKG SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(THE GILLETTE CO. TEL: 617 421-7000)

-30- 392
#90351c0614 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HUTCHISON LIVING TRUST OF 23456 HAWTHORNE BLVD, TORRENCE, CA 90505, HAS

FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: ITX) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 213 378-9933)

-30- 455
#90351c0615 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MORTON H MEYERSON OF 201 MAIN, SUITE 2000, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 38,000 SHARES OF AMTECH CORP. (TICKER: AMTC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(AMTECH CORP. TEL: 214 520-6900)

-30- 398
#90351c0617 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD F SHERMAN OF 10002 SHELBYVILLE RD, STE 150, LOUISVILLE, KY 40223 HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(RALLY'S INC. TEL: 502 245-8900)

-30- 410
#90351c0618 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD LEONARD KANE OF 10 STILL MEADOW RD, WESTON, MA 02193, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,515 SHARES OF RAYTHEON CO. (TICKER: RTN) THROUGH FIRST NEW ENGLAND SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(RAYTHEON CO. TEL: 617 862-6600)

-30- 401
#90351c0619 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELEANORE PACEY OF 1201 HAWKINS WAY, PEBBLE BCH, CA 93953, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EMCON ASSOCIATES (TICKER: MCON) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(EMCON ASSOCIATES TEL: 408 453-7300)

-30- 408
#90351c0620 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RUDOLF ROBERT SCHULTE OF 2927 DE LA VINA ST #C, SANTA BARBARA, CA 93105, HAS FILED TO SELL 70,000 SHARES OF CIRCON CORP. (TICKER: CCON) THROUGH NEEDHAM & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(CIRCON CORP. TEL: 805 967-0404)

-30- 405
#90351c0621 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLEN P MARTINDALE OF 1278 GLENNEYRE #177, LAGUNA BCH, CA 92651, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. (TICKER: SFD) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. TEL: 801 974-1400)

-30- 456
#90351c0622 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK BEDDOR JR OF 7951 POWERS BLVD, 0, CHANHANSSEN, MN 55317, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BANTA CORP. (TICKER: BNTA) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(BANTA CORP. TEL: 414 722-7777)

-30- 394
#90351c0623 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN J CHIZZICK OF 3050 N LAKERIDGE TR, BOULDER, CO 80302, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(EXABYTE CORP. TEL: 303 442-4333)

-30- 399
#90351c0625 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN C JOHNSON OF 1180 ROSENFIELD WAY, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,000 SHARES OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(KOMAG INC. TEL: 408 946-2707)

-30- 396
#90351c0626 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS F SKELLY OF 54 MAGNOLIA DR, WESTWOOD, MA 02090, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,836 SHARES OF THE GILLETTE CO. (TICKER: GS) THROUGH SHAWMUT BRKG SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(THE GILLETTE CO. TEL: 617 421-7000)

-30- 398
#90351c0627 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM J MCGINLEY OF 7444 W WILSON AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60656, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF METHODE ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: METH) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(METHODE ELECTRONICS INC. TEL: 312 867-9600)

-30- 431
#90351c0628 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUMMIT VENTURES L P OF ONE BOSTON PLACE, BOSTON, MA 02108, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 398
#90351c0629 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS HAAS OF 414 EAGLE ROCK AVE, WEST ORANGE, NJ 07052, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS) THROUGH PAINE

WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 201 731-9252)

-30- 427
#90351c0630 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B THOMAS GOLISANO OF 911 PANORAMA TR S, ROCHESTER, NY 14625, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PAYCHEX INC. (TICKER: PAYX) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(PAYCHEX INC. TEL: 716 385-6666)

-30- 403
#90351c0631 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL P GEISBERG OF 80 DORCAR ST, NEWTON, MA 02159, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 436
#90351c0633 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID A DUKE OF 7 THERESA DRIVE, CORNING, NY 14830, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,000 SHARES OF CORNING INC. (TICKER: GLW) THROUGH HERZOG HEINE GEDULD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(CORNING INC. TEL: 607 974-9000)

-30- 386
#90351c0634 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VINOD K TALWAR OF 2019 FRIAR TUCK, ARLINGTON, TX 76013, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF WESTERN CO. OF NORTH AMERICA (TICKER: WSN) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(WESTERN CO. OF NORTH AMERICA TEL: 713 626-2600)

-30- 443
#90351c0635 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID A GOLDFINGER OF 156 KEY HTS DR, TAVERNIER, FL 33070, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF HANDEX ENVIRONMENTAL RECOVERY IN (TICKER: HAND) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(HANDEX ENVIRONMENTAL RECOVERY IN TEL: 201 536-8500)

-30- 465
#90351c0636 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LILLY ENDOWMENT INC OF 2801 N MERIDIAN ST, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46208, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,522 SHARES OF LILLY (ELI) & CO. (TICKER: LLY) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(LILLY (ELI) & CO. TEL: 317 276-2000)

-30- 424
#90351c0637 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THERMEDICS INC OF 470 WILDWOOD ST, WOBURN, MA 01888, HAS FILED TO SELL 85,000 SHARES OF THERMO CARDIOSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TCA) THROUGH H C WAINWRIGHT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(THERMO CARDIOSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 617 932-8668)

-30- 429
#90351c0638 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELIZABETH L ANDERSON OF 1615 SHERWOOD HALL LANE, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22306, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. TEL: 703 934-3600)

-30- 460
#90351c0639 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - ELIZABETH L ANDERSON OF 1615 SHERWOOD HALL LANE, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22306, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. (TICKER: ACRC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(AMERICAN CAPITAL RESH CORP. TEL: 703 934-3600)

-30- 454
#90351c0641 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERWEST PARTNERS I OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG #3, SUITE 255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,451 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

-30- 466
#90351c0642 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERWEST PARTNERS II OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG #3, SUITE 255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,471 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

-30- 468
#90351c0643 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK M CROSSEN OF 200 CRESCENT CT, SUITE 1880, DALLAS, TX 75201, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CENTEX CORP. (TICKER: CTX) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(CENTEX CORP. TEL: 214 559-6000)

-30- 403
#90351c0644 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WARBURG PINCUS CAP CO LP OF 466 LEXINGTON AVE, 0, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 65,000 SHARES OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: UNIH) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. TEL: 612 936-1200)

-30- 452
#90351c0645 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL J TERRA OF 990 SKOKIE BLVD, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,100 SHARES OF LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: LAW) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 312 498-4700)

-30- 422
#90351c0646 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L LOWE OF 400 FIRST CITY BANK TWR, 201 MAIN ST, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: WEXC) THROUGH DILLON READ & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. TEL: 817 335-4701)

-30- 453
#90351c0647 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD L LOWE OF 400 FIRST CITY BANK TWR, 201 MAIN ST, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: WEXC) THROUGH JOHNSON RICE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(WOLVERINE EXPLORATION CO. TEL: 817 335-4701)

-30- 454
#90351c0649 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - AVI PARTNERS N V OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, BLDG #3, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,313 SHARES OF DYNATECH CORP. (TICKER: DYTC) THROUGH SMITH

BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(DYNATECH CORP. TEL: 617 272-6100)

-30- 410
#90351c0650 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN G HOCKIN II OF 600 NORTH EUCLID, UPLAND, CA 91786, HAS FILED TO SELL 103,208 SHARES OF PACER TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: PTCH) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(PACER TECHNOLOGY TEL: 714 987-0550)

-30- 410
#90351c0651 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALFRED SHOENBERG OF 250 EAST HOUSTON ST #8-B, NEW YORK, NY 10002, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,147 SHARES OF GRAHAM-FIELD HEALTH PRODUCTS INC (TICKER: GFI) THROUGH ERNST & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(GRAHAM-FIELD HEALTH PRODUCTS INC TEL: 516 582-5900)

-30- 448
#90351c0652 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J MICHAEL SPINALI OF 410 17TH ST STE 1080, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 71,492 SHARES OF ASPEN WIND INC. (TICKER: AWND) THROUGH QUICK & REILLY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(ASPEN WIND INC. TEL: 303 629-0747)

-30- 405
#90351c0653 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL W DUNAWAY OF 16818 VIA DEL CAMPO CT, SAN DIEGO, CA 92127, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF PSICOR INC. (TICKER: PCOR) THROUGH C J LAWRENCE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(PSICOR INC. TEL: 619 485-5599)

-30- 395
#90351c0654 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HERBERT L LUXENBURG OF 2166 LYNDWAY RD, BEACHWOOD, OH 44122, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN BUSINESS COMPUTERS CORP (TICKER: ABCC) THROUGH PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(AMERICAN BUSINESS COMPUTERS CORP TEL: 216 733-2841)

-30- 465
#90351c0655 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DELBERT J PIERSON OF 4610 NORTHAVEN, DALLAS, TX 75229, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF IMCO RECYCLING INC. (TICKER: IMRI) THROUGH WEBER HALL SALE. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(IMCO RECYCLING INC. TEL: 214 220-4330)

-30- 411
#90351c0657 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAROL WHITFIELD OF 640 CLYDE CT, MTN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(CONSILIUM INC. TEL: 415 691-6100)

-30- 400
#90351c0658 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HANCOCK CPTL FND JOHN OF 40033 SIERRA WAY, OAKHURST, CA 93644, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,117 SHARES OF SIERRA ON-LINE INC. (TICKER: SIER) THROUGH PIPER JAFFRAY HOPWOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(SIERRA ON-LINE INC. TEL: 209 683-4468)

-30- 423
#90351c0659 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - G THOMAS CLARK OF 360 BONNIE BRAE AVE, ROCHESTER, NY 14618, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF PAYCHEX INC. (TICKER: PAYX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(PAYCHEX INC. TEL: 716 385-6666)

-30- 399
#90351c0660 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT W GOLDWATER OF 4640 NORTH PARADISE LANE, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,250 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH J W GARRETT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2409)

-30- 445
#90351c0661 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY E KOENIG OF 4 LIME STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ADAC LABORATORIES (TICKER: ADAC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(ADAC LABORATORIES TEL: 408 945-2990)

-30- 410
#90351c0662 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LOU A EDWARDS OF P O BOX 11987, PHOENIX, AZ 85061, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SWIFT TRANSPORTATION INC. (TICKER: SWFT) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(SWIFT TRANSPORTATION INC. TEL: 602 269-9700)

-30- 429
#90351c0663 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN W ROLLINS JR OF P O BOX 1791, WILMINGTON, DE 19899, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF ROLLINS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES I (TICKER: REN) THROUGH

ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(ROLLINS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES I TEL: 302 479-2700)

-30- 445
#90351c0665 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE E CASTRUCCI OF ONE E FOURTH ST, CINCINNATI, OH 45202, HAS FILED TO SELL 28,692 SHARES OF GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CO. (TICKER: GACC) THROUGH GRADISON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(GREAT AMERICAN COMMUNICATION CO. TEL: 513 562-8000)

-30- 458
#90351c0666 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN S HELMS OF 1910 NORTH LARRABEE, CHICAGO, IL 60614, HAS FILED TO SELL 125,000 SHARES OF IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. (TICKER: DISK) THROUGH FIRST OPTIONS CHICAGO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(IMAGE ENTERTAINMENT INC. TEL: 818 407-9100)

-30- 436
#90351c0667 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 1, 1990 TO NOV. 30, 1990, H.B.M. BANK, BEN. OWNER OF AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP. (TICKER: AIS), BOUGHT 151,600 CLASS A SHARES FROM $1.63 TO $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,718,258.

-30- 383
#90351c0668 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 2, 1990, APEX INVESTMENT FUND, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN WASTE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: AW), SOLD 57,782 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,894,815.

-30- 361
#90351c0669 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 9, 1990, E.V.F. LP., BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN WASTE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: AW), SOLD 98,633 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,227,143.

-30- 341
#90351c0670 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 2, 1990, J.A. JOHNSON, DIR. OF AMERICAN WASTE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: AW), SOLD 57,782 SHARES AT $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,894,815.

-30- 335
#90351c0671 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 2, 1990, PRODUCTIVITY FUND, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN WASTE SERVICES INC.(TICKER: AW), SOLD 48,611 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,590,142.

-30- 344
#90351c0673 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, J.C. MOORE, DIR. OF BENJAMIN MOORE & CO. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $39.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,300.

-30- 293
#90351c0674 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, J.C. MOORE, DIR. OF BENJAMIN MOORE & CO. BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $39.95 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,350,530.

-30- 294
#90351c0675 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 19, 1990, J.H. GARNER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BANCFIRST CORP. ZANGSVILLE (OH) SOLD 2,005 SHARES FROM $34.00 TO $38.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,054.

-30- 349
#90351c0676 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 29, 1990, N.A. LAMB, PRES. OF CALIFORNIA ENGELS MINING CO. BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 72,980.

-30- 313
#90351c0677 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 20, 1990, T.H. BILODEAU JR, DIR. OF CORNING NATURAL GAS CORP. (TICKER: CNNG) BOUGHT 2,794 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,511.

-30- 329
#90351c0678 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 20, 1990, T.H. BILODEAU JR, DIR. OF CORNING NATURAL GAS CORP. (TICKER: CNNG) SOLD 2,794 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90351c0679 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 6, 1990, D.A. BUSCHENFIELD, DIR. OF HOME INTERSTATE BANCORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 79,427.

-30- 319
#90351c0681 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, B.J. SHILLITO, DIR. OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $9.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 56,000.

-30- 334
#90351c0682 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, D.L. STANFORD, OFFICER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS

INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 1,073 SHARES AT $9.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,139.

-30- 338
#90351c0683 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 1, 1990 TO NOV. 6, 1990, M.J. RIZZO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GLENMORE DISTILLERIES CO. (TICKER: GDS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $17.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 363
#90351c0684 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 16, 1990, J. THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN OF GLENMORE DISTILLERS CO. (TICKER: GDS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,510.

-30- 328
#90351c0685 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 6, 1990 TO NOV. 15, 1990, R.W. MUCHMORE, DIR. OF DATAMETRICS CORP.(TICKER: DMCZ) SOLD 1,600 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,150.

-30- 328
#90351c0686 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 7, 1990, R.G. RICKHOFF, OFFICER OF INTERAND CORP.(TICKER: IRND) SOLD 1,800 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,240.

-30- 305
#90351c0687 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 6, 1990 TO NOV. 30, 1990, G.S. PUSEY, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CAMBRIDGE HOLDINGS LTD. BOUGHT 22,100 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 121,064.

-30- 350
#90351c0689 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 1, 1990 TO NOV. 13, 1990, P.J. MEYER, CHAIRMAN OF SMI USA INC. BOUGHT 7,169 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,312,487.

-30- 307
#90351c0690 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 13, 1990, J.L. WELSH JR, DIR. OF YOUNGWOOD ELECTRIC METALS INC. (TICKER: YEMI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,600.

-30- 335
#90351c0691 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 14, 1990 TO NOV. 19, 1990, M.I. GOTTLIEB, DIR. OF CORONA CORP. (TICKER: ICR), SOLD 269,149 CLASS A SHARES FROM $4.80 TO $5.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90351c0692 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 9, 1990, R.L. SMITH, VP OF PRESIDIO OIL CO. (TICKER: PRS), BOUGHT 1,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,621.

-30- 306
#90351c0693 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 13, 1990, R.M. LEVY, VP OF VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC.(TICKER: VAR), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $31.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,440.

-30- 306
#90351c0694 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 6, 1990 TO NOV. 9, 1990, T.D. SEGE, DIR. OF VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC.(TICKER: VAR), SOLD 10,000 SHARES FROM $27.64 TO $28.44 PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,912.

-30- 343
#90351c0695 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, G.F. HEIDEN, VP OF PETER KIEWIT SON'S INC BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $40.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,188.

-30- 297
#90351c0697 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, CHARLES H PRICE II, CHAIRMAN OF AMERIBANC INC. (TICKER: ABNK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $12.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 178,600.

-30- 336
#90351c0698 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, RICHARD L FRANYO, DIR. OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 183,332.

-30- 314
#90351c0699 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JACK S GRISWOLD, DIR. OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 326,940.

-30- 315
#90351c0700 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JACK S GRISWOLD, DIR. OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 247,420.

-30- 317

#90351c0701 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, BEVERLY L WRIGHT, OFFICER OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,124.

-30- 319
#90351c0702 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, GREGORY P LUTZ, DIR. OF AUTODESK INC. (TICKER: ACAD), SOLD 10,000 SHARES FROM $46.13 TO $47.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 242,777.

-30- 336
#90351c0703 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 26, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, RICHARD L DREES, DIR. OF ACC CORP. (TICKER: ACCC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES FROM $6.00 TO $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 128,615.

-30- 323
#90351c0705 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, GEORGE R JENSEN JR, CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,000.

-30- 355
#90351c0706 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, JOEL D HOLZWASSER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARROW AUTOMOTIVE IND INC. (TICKER: AI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,051.

-30- 356
#90351c0707 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, ROBERT A HOLZWASSER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ARROW AUTOMOTIVE IND INC. (TICKER: AI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,051.

-30- 358
#90351c0708 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, JIMMY L OSMENT, PRES. OF ARROW AUTOMOTIVE IND INC. (TICKER: AI), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 326
#90351c0709 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 04, 1990, JOHN M HILL, DIR. OF AMERICAN INTEGRITY CORP. (TICKER: AIIC), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 319
#90351c0710 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, ORMAND J WADE, DIR. OF AMERICAN INFORMATION TECHN CORP. (TICKER: AIT), SOLD 1,355 SHARES AT $67.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,332.

-30- 340
#90351c0711 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, PHLCORP INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLCITY INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: ALCI), BOUGHT 19,997 SHARES FROM $5.75 TO $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,199,510.

-30- 361
#90351c0713 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, MILBORN N CHESSER, DIR. OF ALFA CORP. (TICKER: ALFA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,464.

-30- 298
#90351c0714 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, GEORGE A LEMAISTRE, DIR. OF ALFA CORP. (TICKER: ALFA), BOUGHT 1,371 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,675.

-30- 301
#90351c0715 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, I T CORLEY, VP OF ALLWASTE INC. (TICKER: ALWS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 292
#90351c0716 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, LEON M GOULET, DIR. OF AMOSKEAG BANK SHARES INC. (TICKER: AMKG), SOLD 17,600 SHARES FROM $0.44 TO $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,262.

-30- 356
#90351c0717 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 25, 1988 TO NOV 29, 1990, RICHARD G SOMERS, DIR. OF AMERICAN MOBILE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AMSE), BOUGHT 545,450 SHARES FROM $0.98 TO $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 779,828.

-30- 369
#90351c0718 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, JEREMY A LANDT, DIR. OF AMTECH CORP. (TICKER: AMTC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,500.

-30- 297
#90351c0719 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 31, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, ROBERT M HENDERSON, CHAIRMAN OF

ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,161.

-30- 360
#90351c0721 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, LAWRENCE M KANE, VP OF ANGEION CORP. (TICKER: ANGN), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 83,645.

-30- 296
#90351c0722 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, PATRICK G RYAN, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AON CORP. (TICKER: AOC), BOUGHT 31,300 SHARES FROM $30.50 TO $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,011,560.

-30- 376
#90351c0723 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, EMANUEL E LANDSMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION CORP. (TICKER: APCC), SOLD 78,905 SHARES FROM $13.38 TO $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 472,287.

-30- 402
#90351c0724 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, ROBERT P KUNTZ, DIR. OF PARTECH HOLDINGS CORP (TICKER: APHC), BOUGHT 623,675 SHARES AT $0.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 828,925.

-30- 323
#90351c0725 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, JOHN E RAYL, OFFICER OF PARTECH HOLDINGS CORP (TICKER: APHC), BOUGHT 459,938 SHARES AT $0.03 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,314,158.

-30- 327
#90351c0726 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, RUEL C MERCURE JR, DIR. OF APPLIED MAGNETICS CORP. (TICKER: APM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,533.

-30- 323
#90351c0727 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 09, 1990, ERIC BOLOKOFSKY, OFFICER OF ARBOR DRUGS INC. (TICKER: ARBR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES FROM $14.75 TO $15.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 310
#90351c0729 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, LARRY D UNRUH, DIR. OF ALPHAREL INC. (TICKER: AREL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 300
#90351c0730 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, DOUGLAS G FLEMING, DIR. OF ARVIN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ARV), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 313
#90351c0731 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, HALL W THOMPSON, SHAREHOLDER OF AMSOUTH BANCORP. (TICKER: ASO), SOLD 3,320 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 291
#90351c0732 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, BYRNE O BENFIELD, VP OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 299
#90351c0733 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, JAMES D RENNER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMTECH SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ASYS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 157,988.

-30- 345
#90351c0734 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 25, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, TTEE OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES FROM $9.38 TO $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,552,065.

-30- 396
#90351c0735 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, MEL SCHNELL, DIR. OF ANDOVER TOGS INC. (TICKER: ATOG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,620.

-30- 305
#90351c0737 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, HUGH A THOMPSON, DIR. OF AVONDALE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: AVDL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 316
#90351c0738 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, THOMAS H CHERO, OFFICER OF AVEMCO CORP. (TICKER: AVE), SOLD 13,600 SHARES AT $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,300.

-30- 307
#90351c0739 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, RHODA W COBB, DIR. OF AMERICAN WATER WORKS CO. (TICKER: AWK), BOUGHT 30,500 SHARES AT $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,851,548.

-30- 329
#90351c0740 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, BARNEY DREYFUSS, DIR. OF ARIZONA LAND INCOME CORP. (TICKER: AZL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,886.

-30- 323
#90351c0741 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 18, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, E GORDON YOUNG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF BAILEY CORP. (TICKER: BAIB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 203,372.

-30- 346
#90351c0742 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, RAYMOND O KELLY, DIR. OF BELL NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: BELL), BOUGHT 4,366 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,337.

-30- 329
#90351c0743 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, WILLIAM ESLINGER, VP OF BFS BANKORP INC. (TICKER: BFSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,222.

-30- 303
#90351c0745 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 11,700 SHARES FROM $8.63 TO $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 430,950.

-30- 417
#90351c0746 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H MARITIME CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 358,750.

-30- 383
#90351c0747 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, ARVID BERGVALL, CHAIRMAN OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 30,500 SHARES FROM $9.25 TO $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 455,600.

-30- 369
#90351c0748 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, MICHAEL S HUDNER, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 30,500 SHARES FROM $9.25 TO $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 455,600.

-30- 412
#90351c0749 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, JOSEPH E ROYCE, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF B & H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD. (TICKER: BHO), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES FROM $9.38 TO $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 379,100.

-30- 406
#90351c0750 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, TIMOTHY N BURELLE, OFFICER OF BIG B INC. (TICKER: BIGB), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,350.

-30- 324

#90351c0751 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, TIMOTHY P LAWIN, VP OF BIOPLASTY INC. (TICKER: BIOP), SOLD 17,500 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 198,928.

-30- 301
#90351c0753 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, FRANK H COYNE, SHAREHOLDER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,666,725.

-30- 362
#90351c0754 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 14,500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,354,725.

-30- 345
#90351c0755 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, MIAMI CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 31,500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 656,975.

-30- 342
#90351c0756 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, CHARLES E SCHROEDER, DIR. OF BOULEVARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BLVD), BOUGHT 51,500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,239,100.

-30- 351
#90351c0757 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, DAVID A GERALDSON, DIR. OF BANDO MCGLOCKLIN CAPITAL

CORP. (TICKER: BMCC), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,854.

-30- 341
#90351c0758 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JOHN E KIRKPATRICK, CHAIRMAN OF BANKS OF MID-AMERICA INC. (TICKER: BOMA), BOUGHT 12,776 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 845,172.

-30- 347
#90351c0759 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JOHN E KIRKPATRICK, CHAIRMAN OF BANKS OF MID-AMERICA INC. (TICKER: BOMA), BOUGHT 57,574 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 837,342.

-30- 348
#90351c0761 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 23, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, PORTLAND GENERAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF BONNEVILLE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: BPCO), BOUGHT 146,000 SHARES FROM $3.94 TO $4.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,513,333.

-30- 374
#90351c0762 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1989, BENNY M LARUSSA JR, DIR. OF BRUNO'S INC. (TICKER: BRNO), SOLD 3,150 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,714.

-30- 327
#90351c0763 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, BANK OF CALIFORNIA TRUSTEE, TTEE OF BERRY PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: BRY), SOLD 4,000 SHARES FROM $15.50 TO $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,402,380.

-30- 362
#90351c0764 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, CHARLES P ABOD, DIR. OF BANYAN CORP. (TICKER: BYC), BOUGHT 191,700 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,304,500.

-30- 324
#90351c0765 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, ABBEY J BUTLER, DIR. OF BANYAN CORP. (TICKER: BYC), BOUGHT 191,700 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,304,500.

-30- 326
#90351c0766 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 24, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $8.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,102,445.

-30- 367
#90351c0767 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, CLINTON H HOWARD, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN), SOLD 29,000 SHARES FROM $5.25 TO $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,102,445.

-30- 398
#90351c0769 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, DAVID L STROEHMANN, DIR. OF COMMONWEALTH BANCSHARES CORP. (TICKER: CBKS), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 145,941.

-30- 344
#90351c0770 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, MATTIE H HANKINS, VP OF CRACKER BARREL OLD COUNTRY STORE INC. (TICKER: CBRL), SOLD 5,818 SHARES FROM $25.00 TO $25.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,175.

-30- 378
#90351c0771 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, PATRICK L CONNOLLY, CHAIRMAN OF COURIER DISPATCH GROUP INC. (DE) (TICKER: CDGI), SOLD 333,410 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 319
#90351c0772 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, CLARENCE G FRAME, DIR. OF COURIER DISPATCH GROUP INC. (DE) (TICKER: CDGI), SOLD 3,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 302
#90351c0773 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, YEN-SON HUANG, SHAREHOLDER OF CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CDN), SOLD 8,000 SHARES FROM $18.75 TO $19.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 385,137.

-30- 371
#90351c0774 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, ROBERT F ISHII, VP OF THE CENTENNIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: CEQ), SOLD 1,900 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 316
#90351c0775 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TR CO, BEN. OWNER OF COMMONWEALTH ENERGY SYSTEMS (TICKER: CES), BOUGHT 26,500 SHARES FROM $31.75 TO $33.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,919,476.

-30- 390
#90351c0777 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, ALFRED H SMITH JR, CHAIRMAN OF CITIZENS BANCORP. (MD) (TICKER: CIBC), BOUGHT 3,225 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 341,023.

-30- 337
#90351c0778 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 03, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,235.

-30- 326
#90351c0779 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 08, 1990 TO OCT 25, 1990, PAUL R HANDLERY, SHAREHOLDER OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 12,488 SHARES FROM $8.50 TO $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 156,705.

-30- 360
#90351c0780 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, DONALD C MURRAY, OFFICER OF THE CLOROX CO. (TICKER: CLX), SOLD 2,717 SHARES FROM $34.16 TO $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,408.

-30- 336
#90351c0781 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, THEODORE H KRUTTSCHNITT III, SHAREHOLDER OF AMERICAN CONFECTIONARY CORP. (TICKER: CNDY), BOUGHT 265,320 SHARES AT $0.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,320,855.

-30- 372
#90351c0782 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, MORTON SALKIND, DIR. OF CODENOLL TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: CODN), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 242,050.

-30- 346
#90351c0783 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, JAMES E PIETRANGELO, VP OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: COFI), SOLD 7,043 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 623.

-30- 331
#90351c0785 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, CHARLES A SHIRK, DIR. OF CHARTER ONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: COFI), BOUGHT 9,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,783.

-30- 330
#90351c0786 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, CHARLES P SCHWARTZ JR, CHAIRMAN OF CHAMPION PARTS INC. (TICKER: CREB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 144,916.

-30- 333
#90351c0787 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, GEORGE L HAMILTON, PRES. OF CROWN AMERICA INC. (TICKER: CRNA), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,238.

-30- 338
#90351c0788 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, LEONARD BOSACK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF

CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 245,000 SHARES FROM $34.50 TO $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,336,786.

-30- 377
#90351c0789 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, LEONARD BOSACK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 245,000 SHARES FROM $34.50 TO $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,336,786.

-30- 379
#90351c0790 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, SANDRA K LERNER, BEN. OWNER OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 245,000 SHARES FROM $34.50 TO $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,336,786.

-30- 363
#90351c0791 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, SANDRA K LERNER, BEN. OWNER OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 245,000 SHARES FROM $34.50 TO $36.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,336,786.

-30- 365
#90351c0793 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, CAROL WHITFIELD, OFFICER OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM), SOLD 20,000 SHARES FROM $16.69 TO $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,913.

-30- 345
#90351c0794 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOSEPH C FOX, PRES. OF CHESAPEAKE CORP. (TICKER: CSK), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 102,521.

-30- 304
#90351c0795 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JAMES J GARDNER, DIR. OF CINTAS CORP. (TICKER: CTAS), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $45.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 411,269.

-30- 301
#90351c0796 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, FRED M ALGER, CHAIRMAN OF CASTLE CONVERTIBLE FUND INC. (TICKER: CVF), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,700.

-30- 336
#90351c0797 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, ANGELO R MOZILO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF COUNTRYWIDE MORTGAGE INV INC. (TICKER: CWM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,500.

-30- 359
#90351c0798 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, ALVIN KAPLAN, OFFICER OF CENTERIOR ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 317
#90351c0799 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD, BEN. OWNER OF CANADIAN OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM LTD. (TICKER: CXY), BOUGHT 247,700 SHARES FROM $13.88 TO $16.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,000.

-30- 405
#90351c0801 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, JAMES R BEATY, OFFICER OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC.

(TICKER: DGTL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES FROM $12.50 TO $13.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 307
#90351c0802 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO DEC 06, 1990, WILLIAM E KOENIG, OFFICER OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL), SOLD 6,000 SHARES FROM $12.13 TO $14.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 329
#90351c0803 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, MICHAEL T OSBORN, OFFICER OF DIGITAL SYSTEMS INTL INC. (TICKER: DGTL), SOLD 4,250 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,250.

-30- 333
#90351c0804 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, STEVEN KOTLER, DIR. OF DEL LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: DLI), BOUGHT 5,500 SHARES FROM $14.00 TO $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 327
#90351c0805 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, WILLIAM A THOMPSON, DIV. OFFICER OF DONNELLEY (R.R.) & SONS CO. (TICKER: DNY), SOLD 1,032 SHARES AT $35.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22.

-30- 349
#90351c0806 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, GORDON W FRIEDRICH, OFFICER OF DATASOUTH COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: DSCC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,690.

-30- 340
#90351c0807 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, MILLER COURTLANDT G, OFFICER AND DIR. OF DIAGNOSTEK INC. (TICKER: DXK), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $12.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 144,600.

-30- 330
#90351c0809 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 01, 1990 TO OCT 18, 1990, RICHARD H ICHORD, DIR. OF ENGINEERED SUPPORT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EASI), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,375.

-30- 357
#90351c0810 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, RICHARD N GADNER, DIR. OF EUROPE FUND INC. (TICKER: EF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 311
#90351c0811 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, EMPLOYERS MUTUAL CASUALTY CO, BEN. OWNER OF EMC INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: EMCI), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES FROM $6.63 TO $6.85 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,749,784.

-30- 381
#90351c0812 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, JOHN E SCOTT, CHAIRMAN OF ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS OF AMERICA INC. (TICKER: ENSA), SOLD 10,500 SHARES FROM $2.69 TO $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 383,250.

-30- 381
#90351c0813 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, WILLIAM F KAISER, VP OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 65,332.

-30- 307
#90351c0814 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, THOMAS L KELLY II, DIR. OF ENERGY SERVICE INC. (TICKER: ESV), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 102,775.

-30- 313
#90351c0815 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, DAN C ANDERSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FAMOUS RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FAMS), BOUGHT 4,305 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,555.

-30- 348
#90351c0817 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, DENNIS B MULLEN, CHAIRMAN OF FAMOUS RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: FAMS), BOUGHT 112,000 SHARES FROM $0.38 TO $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 148,078.

-30- 366
#90351c0818 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, JAMES F SMITH JR, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST AMERICAN CORP. (TN) (TICKER: FATN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 107,089.

-30- 335
#90351c0819 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, CHARLES J GRAYSON JR, DIR. OF FIRST CITY BANCORP OF TX INC. (DE) (TICKER: FBT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.20 PER SHARE.

-30- 311
#90351c0820 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, MICHAEL DENTON JR, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCIAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FCOB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,050.

-30- 335
#90351c0821 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCE CORP. (TICKER: FCOM), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $14.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 324
#90351c0822 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCE CORP. (TICKER: FCOM), BOUGHT 800 SHARES FROM $14.50 TO $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,230.

-30- 353
#90351c0823 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, ROBERT F CARNEY, CHAIRMAN OF FIRST CONSTITUTION FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FCON), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,150.

-30- 352
#90351c0825 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JOSEPH L MARCUM, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $26.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 333
#90351c0826 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JAMES V HARRINGTON, VP OF USF&G CORP. (TICKER: FG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,834.

-30- 297
#90351c0827 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JAMES M RALEY JR, VP OF USF&G CORP. (TICKER: FG), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,848.

-30- 289
#90351c0828 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, THRIFT SVGS ESOT FMC, BEN. OWNER OF FMC CORP. (TICKER: FMC), BOUGHT 37,453 SHARES AT $27.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,585,653.

-30- 316
#90351c0829 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, CHARLES BRUNING II, DIR. OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 187,010.

-30- 316
#90351c0830 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, KENNETH W DOUGHERTY, DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,375.

-30- 336
#90351c0831 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, LEE E MCINTYRE, BEN. OWNER OF FREMONT GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: FRMT), SOLD 6,787 SHARES AT $15.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,505,400.

-30- 337
#90351c0833 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, GEORGE M CHESTER JR, DIR. OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $23.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,800.

-30- 316
#90351c0834 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 23, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, FIRST WISCONSIN PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 20,900 SHARES FROM $25.00 TO $27.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,116,879.

-30- 353
#90351c0835 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JERRY M HIEGEL, DIR. OF FIRSTAR CORP. (TICKER: FSR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES FROM $23.50 TO $23.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,500.

-30- 318
#90351c0836 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, THOMAS J DIETZ, VP OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,234.

-30- 329
#90351c0837 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, ARTHUR KARMEL, OFFICER OF FIRST WORLD CHEESE INC. (TICKER: FWCH), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES FROM $3.50 TO $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,750.

-30- 355
#90351c0838 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, STEVEN J BATZER, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FXBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 323
#90351c0839 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, LUTHER W BRADY, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FXBC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 321
#90351c0841 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ANTHONY J GIGLIOTTI, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FXBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 330
#90351c0842 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, GERALD LEVINSON, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FXBC), BOUGHT 1,352 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,352.

-30- 323
#90351c0843 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ZVI H MUSCAL, CHAIRMAN OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FXBC), BOUGHT 3,398 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,046.

-30- 329
#90351c0844 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ZEEV SHENKMAN, DIR. OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER:

FXBC), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 322
#90351c0845 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, JOHN M WORK, VP OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FXBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 313
#90351c0846 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, LOUIS A SIMPSON, DIR. OF GEICO CORP. (TICKER: GEC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES FROM $155.50 TO $157.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,190.

-30- 313
#90351c0847 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, BURCHARD K MOLLER, DIR. OF GREENWICH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GFCT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES FROM $4.10 TO $4.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 131,000.

-30- 359
#90351c0849 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, NOEL GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 1,100,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,681,400.

-30- 370
#90351c0850 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, NOEL GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: GNR), BOUGHT 343,700 SHARES FROM $6.25 TO $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,681,400.

-30- 374
#90351c0851 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 16, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, JOHN G RAOS, DIR. OF GR FOODS INC. (TICKER: GRX), BOUGHT 3,200 SHARES FROM $3.38 TO $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,900.

-30- 326
#90351c0852 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, LORNE R WAXLAX, VP OF THE GILLETTE CO. (TICKER: GS), SOLD 3,000 SHARES FROM $61.00 TO $61.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,468.

-30- 315
#90351c0853 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 22, 1987, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), BOUGHT 500,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,286,000.

-30- 327
#90351c0854 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, ROBERT W RIORDAN, DIR. OF GUNDLE ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: GUN), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES FROM $9.25 TO $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,812.

-30- 376
#90351c0855 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, GREGORY J REUTER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF HANDEX ENVIRONMENTAL RECOVERY INC. (TICKER: HAND), SOLD 10,000 SHARES FROM $19.50 TO $19.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 350
#90351c0857 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOE D SMITH JR, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,950.

-30- 300
#90351c0858 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, DAVID L WHELAN, BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHCARE INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: HII), SOLD 25,100 SHARES FROM $0.25 TO $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,256,305.

-30- 374
#90351c0859 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, HOLDERBANK FINANCIERE GLARIS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF HOLNAM INC. (TICKER: HLN), BOUGHT 22,222,223 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 317
#90351c0860 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, HOLDERNAM INC, BEN. OWNER OF HOLNAM INC. (TICKER: HLN), BOUGHT 22,222,223 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,222,223.

-30- 321
#90351c0861 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ALLEN & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF MEMTEK CORP. (TICKER: METK), SOLD 1,280,800 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE.

-30- 290
#90351c0862 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, SATURNO J DALFONSI, VP OF INTERNATIONAL AMERICAN HOMES INC. (TICKER: HOME), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.03 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90351c0863 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, CHARLES S BYRNE, OFFICER OF HYTEK MICROSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: HTEK), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 328
#90351c0865 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 02, 1990, VALUES(BERMUDA) AMERICAN IV, BEN. OWNER OF HYDE ATHLETIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HYDE), BOUGHT 8,778 SHARES AT $4.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 325,343.

-30- 349
#90351c0866 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, ERWIN E SCHULZE, DIR. OF INTERLAKE CORP. (TICKER: IK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,200.

-30- 303
#90351c0867 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, BOYD D WAINSCOTT, VP OF IMCERA GROUP INC. (TICKER: IMA), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $60.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 274
#90351c0868 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 08, 1990, QUANTUM FUND NV, BEN. OWNER OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), BOUGHT 62,500 SHARES FROM $27.25 TO $28.93 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 486,000.

-30- 344
#90351c0869 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, FRANK R JONES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF IMRE CORP. (TICKER:

IMRE), BOUGHT 9,540 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 863,363.

-30- 319
#90351c0870 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 20, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, PAUL W SELF, PRES. OF IMRE CORP. (TICKER: IMRE), BOUGHT 18,217 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 367,339.

-30- 314
#90351c0871 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, WILLIAM G ALVIS, VP OF INTELLIGENT ELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: INEL), SOLD 17,000 SHARES FROM $15.06 TO $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,000.

-30- 361
#90351c0873 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, JAMES W SNYDER, OFFICER OF VISION TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: IOLS), SOLD 125,000 SHARES AT $0.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,294,000.

-30- 360
#90351c0874 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, JAMES RIVER CORP SPP, BEN. OWNER OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), BOUGHT 352,577 SHARES FROM $19.08 TO $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,003,168.

-30- 363
#90351c0875 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, RONALD L SINGER, VP OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR), SOLD 8,419 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,159.

-30- 303
#90351c0876 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, EDMUND S TWINING JR, DIR. OF JWP INC. (TICKER: JWP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $14.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,563.

-30- 297
#90351c0877 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, ROMAN B OSER, OFFICER OF KIMBALL INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: KBAL), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,450.

-30- 327
#90351c0878 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, CONTRAN CORPORATION, BEN. OWNER OF KEYSTONE CONSOLIDATED INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: KES), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES FROM $11.00 TO $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,926,633.

-30- 364
#90351c0879 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, JEFFREY WHITTINGTON, OFFICER OF QUEST FOR VALUE DUAL PURPOSE FUND INC. (TICKER: KFV), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,100.

-30- 365
#90351c0881 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, ALAN N SIDNAM, DIR. OF KELLEY OIL CORP. (TICKER: KOIL), SOLD 20,000 SHARES FROM $7.13 TO $9.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 212,000.

-30- 338
#90351c0882 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 16, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, ALAN N SIDNAM, DIR. OF KELLEY OIL CORP. (TICKER: KOIL), SOLD 15,000 SHARES FROM $7.75 TO $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 339
#90351c0883 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, LYLE B STEVENSON, TTEE OF KAISER STEEL RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: KSRI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 335
#90351c0884 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 09, 1990, JENNIE M JOHNSON, OFFICER OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $40.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,100.

-30- 335
#90351c0885 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, LGS EMPLOYEES S&INV PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF LOUISIANA GENERAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: LGS), BOUGHT 12,488 SHARES FROM $17.88 TO $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,692,935.

-30- 387
#90351c0886 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, KENNETH GANZ, OFFICER OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 9,200 SHARES AT $27.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 308
#90351c0887 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, ROBERT L ALLER, VP OF LOCTITE CORP. (TICKER: LOC), SOLD 1,450 SHARES AT $58.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,080.

-30- 298
#90351c0889 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, GORDON D KEY, DIV. OFFICER OF LAM RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: LRCX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,226.

-30- 322
#90351c0890 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, STEVEN A SHERMAN, CHAIRMAN OF MAIN ST & MAIN INC. (TICKER: MAIN), SOLD 60,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,411,750.

-30- 344
#90351c0891 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, MICHAEL R STEWART, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MAIN ST & MAIN INC. (TICKER: MAIN), SOLD 36,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 904,550.

-30- 384
#90351c0892 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, DAVID P RILEY, PRES. OF MIDDLEBY CORP. (TICKER: MBY), BOUGHT 14,545 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 489,795.

-30- 304
#90351c0893 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, JAMES R CANTALUPO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 7,483 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,897.

-30- 337
#90351c0894 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, THOMAS S DENTICE, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 7,600 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,971.

-30- 316
#90351c0895 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, PAUL R DUNCAN, VP OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,241.

-30- 300
#90351c0897 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JAMES S KUHN, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $26.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,492.

-30- 305
#90351c0898 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, GERALD NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 1,818 SHARES AT $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,444.

-30- 334
#90351c0899 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, MERCHANTS NATL THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF MERCHANTS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MCHN), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 437,926.

-30- 362
#90351c0900 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS S&R TRUST, BEN. OWNER OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CORP. (TICKER: MD), BOUGHT 195,177 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,188,612.

-30- 386
#90351c0901 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, LARRY A MIZEL, CHAIRMAN OF M.D.C. HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: MDC), BOUGHT 266,667 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,634,691.

-30- 328
#90351c0902 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JOHN L TEEGER, DIR. OF THE MEADOW GROUP INC. (TICKER: MDOW), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 147,114.

-30- 331
#90351c0903 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, TIMOTHY E LISS, OFFICER OF MCCORMICK CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: MKOR), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,500.

-30- 327
#90351c0905 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, REX C BEAN, DIR. OF MERIT MEDICAL SYS INC. (TICKER: MMSI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 88,175.

-30- 315
#90351c0906 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUL 26, 1988 TO NOV 16, 1990, CLIFFORD W ILLIG, DIR. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 7,300 SHARES FROM $3.78 TO $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 322
#90351c0907 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 12, 1990 TO NOV 01, 1990, FREDERICK A KREHBIEL, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), SOLD 60,000 SHARES FROM $18.00 TO $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,956,597.

-30- 388
#90351c0908 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, JOE B BYRUM, OFFICER OF MORRISON INC. (TICKER: MORR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,317.

-30- 304
#90351c0909 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, FRED D HAFER, DIR. OF MERIDIAN BANCORP. INC. (TICKER: MRDN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $12.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,397.

-30- 314
#90351c0910 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, VICTOR F CLARK, DIR. OF MERRIMACK BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MRMK), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,000.

-30- 320
#90351c0911 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, ROBERT S LEFF, DIR. OF MERISEL INC. (TICKER: MSEL), SOLD 57,500 SHARES FROM $1.75 TO $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,912,858.

-30- 331
#90351c0913 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, MARJORIE E JENNEY, DIR. OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 310
#90351c0914 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, MARJORIE E JENNEY, DIR. OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,000.

-30- 332
#90351c0915 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, RICHARD B TULLIS, DIR. OF NACCO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $23.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 307
#90351c0916 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, ROBERT C JAMES, VP OF NCR CORP. (TICKER: NCR), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $55.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,392.

-30- 286
#90351c0917 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, LESTER J LLOYD, SHAREHOLDER OF NELLCOR INC. (TICKER: NELL), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,516.

-30- 314
#90351c0918 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 31, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, GEORGE E COMSTOCK, VP OF NETWORK GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: NETG), SOLD 15,000 SHARES FROM $5.00 TO $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 107,000.

-30- 355
#90351c0919 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, CYPRESS INVESTMENTS BVI LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NIAGARA CORP. (TICKER: NIAG), BOUGHT 170,183 SHARES AT $0.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,160,732.

-30- 328
#90351c0921 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, JAMES E YONGE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NIAGARA CORP. (TICKER: NIAG), SOLD 1,000,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,162,525.

-30- 348
#90351c0922 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, JEFFREY L GOLDBERG, VP OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: NLI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 335
#90351c0923 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, JAMES F DICKERSON, SHAREHOLDER OF NUMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: NUME), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90351c0924 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, JAMES F DICKERSON, SHAREHOLDER OF NUMERICA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: NUME), SOLD 7,200 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE.

-30- 305
#90351c0925 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, JAMES A MAGGETTI, DIR. OF NAPA VALLEY BANCORP. (TICKER: NVBC), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,654.

-30- 324
#90351c0926 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, EMANUEL L ROUVELAS, DIR. OF OMI CORP. (TICKER: OMM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,000.

-30- 297
#90351c0927 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, OTTMAR K T DIPPOLD, CHAIRMAN OF OPTO MECHANIK INC. (TICKER: OPTO), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,145.

-30- 328
#90351c0929 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 30, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, PHILLIPS PETE THRIFT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 93,180 SHARES FROM $25.38 TO $26.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,753,092.

-30- 393
#90351c0930 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 30, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO. (TICKER: P), BOUGHT 64,137 SHARES FROM $25.38 TO $26.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,430,423.

-30- 390
#90351c0931 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 04, 1990, JOSEPH R WRIGHT JR, DIR. OF PRIMERICA CORP. (TICKER: PA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $19.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,650.

-30- 310
#90351c0932 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, ANTHONY J MIADICH, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PACIFIC NUCLEAR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PACN), BOUGHT 615,385 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 615,385.

-30- 375
#90351c0933 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, ROY H PARK, CHAIRMAN OF PARK COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: PARC), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES FROM $11.13 TO $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,900.

-30- 359
#90351c0934 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, ROBERT C TIMMINS, DIR. OF PATRICK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PATK), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,100.

-30- 332
#90351c0935 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1989, MARIA CECCONI, BEN. OWNER OF PATHE COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: PCC), BOUGHT 41,379,310 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,860,150.

-30- 349
#90351c0937 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 14, 1989 TO NOV 15, 1990, S A COMFINANCE, BEN. OWNER OF PATHE COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: PCC), BOUGHT 46,829,310 SHARES FROM $3.63 TO $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,672,150.

-30- 384
#90351c0938 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, S A COMFINANCE, BEN. OWNER OF PATHE COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

(TICKER: PCC), SOLD 3,450,000 SHARES FROM $6.86 TO $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 53,672,150.

-30- 361
#90351c0939 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, MELIA INTERNATIONAL N V, BEN. OWNER OF PATHE COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: PCC), BOUGHT 5,450,000 SHARES FROM $6.86 TO $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,895,436.

-30- 361
#90351c0940 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1989, GIANCARLO PARRETTI, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF PATHE COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: PCC), BOUGHT 41,379,310 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,860,150.

-30- 391
#90351c0941 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, STANLEY D CHRISTIANSON, SHAREHOLDER OF PUBLISHERS EQUIPMENT CORP. (TICKER: PECN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 355
#90351c0942 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, EVANS KOSTAS, PRES. OF PUBLISHERS EQUIPMENT CORP. (TICKER: PECN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,700.

-30- 329
#90351c0943 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, LEUCADIA NATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF PHLCORP INC. (TICKER: PHX), BOUGHT 7,200 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,845,991.

-30- 328
#90351c0945 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 09, 1989, C WILLIAM CAREY, DIR. OF PROSPECT STREET HIGH INCOME PORTFOLIO INC. (TICKER: PHY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 356
#90351c0946 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, MARVIN J GIROUARD, PRES. OF PIER 1 IMPORTS INC. (TICKER: PIR), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 307,341.

-30- 325
#90351c0947 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, MARVIN J GIROUARD, PRES. OF PIER 1 IMPORTS INC. (TICKER: PIR), BOUGHT 4,500 SHARES AT $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 307,341.

-30- 321
#90351c0948 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, CLARK A JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF PIER 1 IMPORTS INC. (TICKER: PIR), BOUGHT 110,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 294,315.

-30- 329
#90351c0949 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, WILLIAM F CHASTAIN JR, OFFICER OF PHARMACY MANAGEMENT SVCS INC. (TICKER: PMSV), BOUGHT 2,520 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 349
#90351c0950 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, SAMUEL P GEISBERG, CHAIRMAN OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC), SOLD 24,000 SHARES FROM $24.20 TO $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 394,326.

-30- 376
#90351c0951 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, C RICHARD HARRISON, OFFICER OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,778.

-30- 347
#90351c0953 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, JOHN F MCKEON, DIR. OF PORTEC INC. (TICKER: POR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,750.

-30- 293
#90351c0954 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JAMES F LEARY, CHAIRMAN OF REVERE FUND INC. (TICKER: PREV), BOUGHT 1,575 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,525.

-30- 314
#90351c0955 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC 03, 1990 TO DEC 04, 1990, DONALD H WEST, SHAREHOLDER OF PACIFIC WESTERN BANCSHARES (TICKER: PWB), SOLD 20,746 SHARES FROM $8.75 TO $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 97.

-30- 369
#90351c0956 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, RICHARD I KELTON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PAY-FONE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PYF), BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 152,467.

-30- 363
#90351c0957 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, EDWARD M ESBER JR, DIR. OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 265
#90351c0958 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, WILLIAM F ROACH, OFFICER OF QUANTUM CORP. (TICKER: QNTM), BOUGHT 11,249 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,249.

-30- 310
#90351c0959 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 23, 1990, CHARLES F CANNONE, OFFICER OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 2,000 SHARES FROM $26.38 TO $26.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,435.

-30- 363
#90351c0961 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, MELVIN T WILLIAMS, VP OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 11,200 SHARES FROM $25.88 TO $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 106,235.

-30- 340
#90351c0962 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, O WAYNE ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 6,360 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,851,431.

-30- 370

#90351c0963 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, R RANDALL ROLLINS, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RPC ENERGY SERVICES INC. (TICKER: RES), BOUGHT 15,786 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,592,466.

-30- 373
#90351c0964 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, GORDON C WILLIS, DIR. OF ROANOKE ELECTRIC STEEL CORP. (TICKER: RESC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,259.

-30- 333
#90351c0965 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, KENNETH E DAUGHERTY, DIR. OF REUTER INC. (TICKER: REUT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 303
#90351c0966 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 08, 1990, LUIS E LAMELA, PRES. OF RAMSAY-HMO INC. (TICKER: RHMO), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 326
#90351c0967 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, WILLIAM R THOMPSON, DIR. OF RIGGS NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: RIGS), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,080.

-30- 318
#90351c0969 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JAMES J MELFI JR, CHAIRMAN OF RESERVE INDUSTRIES CORP.

(TICKER: ROIL), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,700.

-30- 324
#90351c0970 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, WILLIAM J MELFI, VP OF RESERVE INDUSTRIES CORP. (TICKER: ROIL), BOUGHT 1,150 SHARES AT $1.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,400.

-30- 308
#90351c0971 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, HAROLD K ROBERTS, DIR. OF RYAN'S FAMILY STEAK HOUSES INC. (TICKER: RYAN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,434.

-30- 342
#90351c0972 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, DEWEY R SANDERSON JR, DIR. OF SANDERSON FARMS INC. (TICKER: SAFM), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 148,838.

-30- 353
#90351c0973 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, XEROX CORP, BEN. OWNER OF SELECTRONICS INC. (TICKER: SELE), BOUGHT 4,561,686 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,291,530.

-30- 322
#90351c0974 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JOHN E BREYER, VP OF SCIENTIFIC-ATLANTA INC. (TICKER: SFA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 317
#90351c0975 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, WILLIAM E KASSLING, DIR. OF SCIENTIFIC-ATLANTA INC. (TICKER: SFA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 326
#90351c0977 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, THEODORE A JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF SURGIDYNE INC. (TICKER: SGDN), BOUGHT 159,250 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 183,994.

-30- 337
#90351c0978 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, ARTHUR W SCHWALM, DIR. OF SURGIDYNE INC. (TICKER: SGDN), SOLD 159,250 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 324
#90351c0979 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, DAN W MADDOX, DIR. OF SHONEY'S INC. (TICKER: SHN), BOUGHT 46,000 SHARES FROM $9.88 TO $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 162,500.

-30- 335
#90351c0980 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, MARC P SHORE, VP OF SHOREWOOD PACKAGING CORP. (TICKER: SHOR), SOLD 25,000 SHARES FROM $7.50 TO $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300,000.

-30- 334
#90351c0981 12/17/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, CHUCK C THOMPSON, DIV. OFFICER OF SILICON GENERAL INC. (TICKER: SILN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 337
#90351c0982 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, DIDIER PRIMAT, DIR. OF SCHLUMBERGER LTD. N.V. (TICKER: SLB), SOLD 150,000 SHARES FROM $57.00 TO $59.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,004,500.

-30- 353
#90351c0983 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, RICHARD J DEPIANO, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 5,603 SHARES AT $24.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,000.

-30- 346
#90351c0985 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, HOWARD SALASIN, DIR. OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI), SOLD 5,223 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 46,490.

-30- 341
#90351c0986 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, GERD WITTER, DIV. OFFICER OF SENSORMATIC ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SNSR), SOLD 26,335 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 309
#90351c0987 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, GERALD A RYAN, DIR. OF SPECTRUM CONTROL INC. (TICKER: SPEC), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES AT $0.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO

68,000.

-30- 320
#90351c0988 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 12, 1990, THOMAS L VENABLE, CHAIRMAN OF SPECTRUM CONTROL INC. (TICKER: SPEC), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $0.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 262,188.

-30- 330
#90351c0989 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, WELDON B JOLLEY, OFFICER OF SPI PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: SPI), SOLD 30,680 SHARES FROM $7.00 TO $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 360
#90351c0990 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, SAMI I SAMANI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STANSBURY HOLDINGS CORP. (TICKER: STBY), BOUGHT 72,000 SHARES AT $0.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,733,500.

-30- 352
#90351c0991 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, THEODORE H SILBERT, CHAIRMAN OF STERLING BANCORP. (NY) (TICKER: STL), BOUGHT 5,400 SHARES FROM $6.00 TO $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 426,198.

-30- 367
#90351c0993 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, A WINNIETT PETERS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STANDARD COMMERCIAL CORP. (TICKER: STW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,693.

-30- 351
#90351c0994 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, RANDOLPH H SPEER, VP OF SUMMIT HEALTH LTD. (TICKER: SUMH), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 309
#90351c0995 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 08, 1990 TO AUG 09, 1990, RICHARD H BELL, OFFICER OF STEVENS GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: SVG), BOUGHT 1,750 SHARES FROM $10.13 TO $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,750.

-30- 353
#90351c0996 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, C PHILIP CRAMPTON, VP OF STEVENS GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: SVG), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,250.

-30- 318
#90351c0997 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, FREDERICK J JAINDL, CHAIRMAN OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 542,375.

-30- 333
#90351c0998 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, LAWRENCE W ONEILL, DIR. OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,500.

-30- 323
#90351c0999 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, GORDON E EUBANKS, PRES. OF SYMANTEC CORP. (TICKER: SYMC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 156,687.

-30- 310
#90351c1001 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, HARWOOD SHEPARD, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 93,650.

-30- 300
#90351c1002 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, WILLIAM O SPARKS, VP OF SYNTELLECT INC. (TICKER: SYNL), SOLD 9,500 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 302
#90351c1003 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, STEPHEN E ONEIL, DIR. OF SYNTRO CORP. (TICKER: SYNT), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 170,000.

-30- 301
#90351c1004 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, JACK D CARLSON, OFFICER OF SYSCO CORP. (TICKER: SYY), SOLD 3,011 SHARES AT $31.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,184.

-30- 304
#90351c1005 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, TANDYCRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF TANDYCRAFTS INC. (TICKER: TAC), BOUGHT 6,075 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 972,425.

-30- 333

#90351c1006 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, TANDYCRAFTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF TANDYCRAFTS INC. (TICKER: TAC), SOLD 7,646 SHARES FROM $17.25 TO $17.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 966,350.

-30- 337
#90351c1007 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 07, 1990, WILLIAM A COOPER, CHAIRMAN OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,210.

-30- 340
#90351c1009 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, THOMAS A CUSICK, PRES. OF TCF FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: TCB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,499.

-30- 320
#90351c1010 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, THERMO ELECTRON CORP, BEN. OWNER OF THERMO INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: THI), BOUGHT 39,800 SHARES FROM $13.38 TO $13.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,354,082.

-30- 383
#90351c1011 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, RAJENDRA KUMAR, OFFICER OF TELXON CORP. (TICKER: TLXN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,003.

-30- 301
#90351c1012 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, SAUL S SCHIFFMAN, DIR. OF TENNEY

ENGINEERING INC. (TICKER: TNY), BOUGHT 7,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,000.

-30- 346
#90351c1013 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, HOWARD SILVER, DIR. OF TOP SOURCE INC. (TICKER: TOPS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES FROM $0.34 TO $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 334
#90351c1014 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, WILLIAM D WALSH, SHAREHOLDER OF TRADITIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRAD), SOLD 21,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 177,215.

-30- 336
#90351c1015 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, WILLIAM D WALSH, SHAREHOLDER OF TRADITIONAL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TRAD), SOLD 466 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,333.

-30- 330
#90351c1017 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, GLENN R SIMMONS, DIR. OF TREMONT CORP. (DE) (TICKER: TRE), BOUGHT 34,350 SHARES FROM $1.13 TO $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,850.

-30- 342
#90351c1018 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, GLENN R SIMMONS, DIR. OF TREMONT CORP. (DE) (TICKER: TRE), BOUGHT 5,150 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,150.

-30- 313
#90351c1019 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, MERV ADELSON, DIR. OF TIME WARNER INC. (TICKER: TWX), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $79.79 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 306
#90351c1020 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, JOSEPH M GIRARD, DIR. OF TIGERA GROUP INC (TICKER: TYGR), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES FROM $0.50 TO $0.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 124,000.

-30- 347
#90351c1021 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, LEONARD ABRAMSON, BEN. OWNER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 167,194 SHARES FROM $13.75 TO $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000,532.

-30- 367
#90351c1022 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, ROBERT M BROWN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF UNO RESTAURANT CORP. (TICKER: UNO), SOLD 4,437 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,531.

-30- 355
#90351c1023 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, HERBERT E HOUGH, DIR. OF UNSL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: UNSL), BOUGHT 572 SHARES AT $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,490.

-30- 312
#90351c1025 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, ARTHUR WHEELER, SHAREHOLDER OF UNITY HEALTHCARE HOLDING CO. (TICKER: UNTY), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,285,000.

-30- 349
#90351c1026 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, WILLIAM R ULRICH, VP OF U.S. BANCORP (OR) (TICKER: USBC), SOLD 5,304 SHARES AT $18.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90351c1027 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, LEONARD J BRUCE, CHAIRMAN OF VALLEN CORP. (TICKER: VALN), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,690,416.

-30- 311
#90351c1028 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, STEPHEN L HOLCOMBE, VP OF VANGUARD CELLULAR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: VCEL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,500.

-30- 337
#90351c1029 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, RICHARD L BARRETT, DIR. OF GO VIDEO INC. (TICKER: VCR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES FROM $4.50 TO $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,000.

-30- 334
#90351c1030 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, ERIC J SCHEDELER, PRES. OF GO VIDEO INC. (TICKER: VCR), SOLD 28,200 SHARES FROM $4.25 TO $4.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 329,096.

-30- 340
#90351c1031 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, DANIEL C LYONS, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), SOLD 2,176 SHARES AT $7.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,024.

-30- 333
#90351c1033 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, CLYDE H KEITH, TTEE OF VAN KAMPEN MERRITT INTERNMEDIATE HIGH INCOME TRUST (TICKER: VIT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 375
#90351c1034 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, MILTON D WEBB, DIR. OF VALLEY NATIONAL CORP.(AZ) (TICKER: VNCP), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,331.

-30- 319
#90351c1035 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 08, 1990, ROBERT P OUELLETTE, VP OF VERSAR INC. (TICKER: VSR), SOLD 3,200 SHARES FROM $1.88 TO $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,490.

-30- 327
#90351c1036 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, OSCAR C BOLDT, DIR. OF VALLEY BANCORPORATION (WI) (TICKER: VYBN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,029.

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#90351c1037 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, OSCAR C BOLDT, DIR. OF VALLEY BANCORPORATION (WI) (TICKER: VYBN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,384.

-30- 322
#90351c1038 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, CARL FARAH, DIR. OF VALLEY BANCORPORATION (WI) (TICKER: VYBN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,959.

-30- 317
#90351c1039 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JOHN F MACK, DIV. OFFICER OF VALLEY BANCORPORATION (WI) (TICKER: VYBN), SOLD 6,816 SHARES AT $17.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,252.

-30- 330
#90351c1041 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, RICHARD A STACK, DIR. OF VALLEY BANCORPORATION (WI) (TICKER: VYBN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,669.

-30- 322
#90351c1042 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, MARVIN H BERKELEY, DIR. OF WESTBRIDGE CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: WBC), SOLD 1,300 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 326
#90351c1043 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, PETER J DEANGELIS, DIR. OF WORLDWIDE COMPUTER SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WCSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,615.

-30- 338
#90351c1044 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, CARL WESTCOTT, CHAIRMAN OF WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: WCTV), SOLD 18,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,568,631.

-30- 362
#90351c1045 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, ROBERT P EASTERLY, VP OF WESTERN CAPITAL INVESTMENT CORP. (TICKER: WECA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,016.

-30- 340
#90351c1046 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, C HOWARD KAST, DIR. OF WESTERN CAPITAL INVESTMENT CORP. (TICKER: WECA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,150.

-30- 339
#90351c1047 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, ROBERT M KIRCHNER, DIR. OF WESTERN CAPITAL INVESTMENT CORP. (TICKER: WECA), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $1.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 346
#90351c1049 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JOSEPH H SILVERSMITH JR, DIR. OF WESTERN CAPITAL INVESTMENT CORP. (TICKER: WECA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,000.

-30- 358
#90351c1050 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, GILLES M GALLANT, VP OF WENDY'S INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WEN), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,942.

-30- 317
#90351c1051 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, TOM J RODENKIRK, DIV. OFFICER OF WENDY'S INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WEN), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 301
#90351c1052 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 09, 1990, FRED D YOUNKER, OFFICER OF WENDY'S INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WEN), SOLD 3,429 SHARES FROM $6.00 TO $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,206.

-30- 354
#90351c1053 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, JOHN T MARTIN JR, VP OF WHOLESALE CLUB INC. (TICKER: WHLS), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $20.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90351c1054 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, JACK C SHEWMAKER, DIR. OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT), SOLD 8,000 SHARES FROM $29.50 TO $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,215,432.

-30- 356
#90351c1055 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, ROBERT W GORMAN, VP OF WINDMERE CORP. (TICKER: WND), SOLD 5,000 SHARES FROM $3.02 TO $3.15 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,313.

-30- 309
#90351c1057 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, THOMAS D GLEASON, CHAIRMAN OF WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE INC. (TICKER: WWW), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 93,120.

-30- 336
#90351c1058 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, PHILLIP D MATTHEWS, DIR. OF WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE INC. (TICKER: WWW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 330
#90351c1059 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 02, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, JAMES V BARNETT, OFFICER OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX), SOLD 60,000 SHARES FROM $11.00 TO $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 467,000.

-30- 340
#90351c1060 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, HOWELL E MCBRAYER, VP OF EXXON CORP. (TICKER: XON), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $50.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,133.

-30- 295
#90351c1061 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, WILLIAM S GREEN, DIR. OF GENDEX CORP. (TICKER: XRAY), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES FROM $10.00 TO $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 330
#90351c1062 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ARTHUR L HERBST, DIR. OF GENDEX CORP. (TICKER: XRAY), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $9.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,500.

-30- 298
#90351c1063 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 03, 1990, RUFUS S TEESDALE, DIR. OF X-RITE INC. (TICKER: XRIT), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $9.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 446,200.

-30- 304
#90351c1065 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, ZYTEC SYSTEMS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ZFAX IMAGE CORP. (TICKER: ZFAX), SOLD 15,000 SHARES FROM $0.69 TO $0.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,000.

-30- 347
#90351c1066 12/17/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, JAMES E TINNELL, DIR. OF ZILA INC. (TICKER: ZILA), SOLD 22,000 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 760,381.

-30- 316
#90351d0120 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (DEC. 17) - The Iraqi government Monday repeated a vow not to give up its occupation of Kuwait even if it came to a military confrontation with the 300,000-strong multinational force deployed in the Gulf.

The Arab sheikhdom was described as a symbol of ''dignity and virtue'' in a statement issued after a joint meeting of Iraq's two highest policy-making bodies, the Revolutionary Command Council and the Regional Command of the Arab Baath Socialist Party, chaired by President Saddam Hussein.

Iraq also said it wanted wanted peace talks with the United States on the Gulf

crisis but insisted on the right to fix a date for a proposed meeting between Saddam and U.S. Secretary of State James Baker.

Saddam and his top aides reviewed ''the situation in the Arab Gulf region and the latest Arab and international developments'', Baghdad Radio reported.

The statement repeated Iraq's stance that a solution to the Gulf crisis, brought about by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2, should be linked to an overall settlement of all problems in the region, particularly the Palestine question.

This stance, the statement said, was based on Saddam's initiative last August 12 for resolving all problems in the region. The proposal has been rejected by the U.S. which insists on a complete and unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the reinstatement of the legitimate Kuwaiti government.

''When we call for a linkage (between the Gulf crisis and the Palestine issue) our belief that Kuwait is part of Iraq is unshakeable and the 19th province (of Iraq) is a fact with which our people and our armed forces are dealing with as a great gain,'' said the statement broadcast by Baghdad Radio.

-30- 1926

#90351d0160 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANNOVER, Germany (DEC. 17) - German group Preussag had a consolidated net result for the first nine months of its financial year of 300 million Deutsche marks (about 200 million dollars), it announced here on Monday.

It did not offer any comparative data for other periods because of the substantial change in its consolidation basis that occurred with the absorption of Salzgitter last May.

Preussag sales for the first nine months amounted to 19.2 billion marks, and to seven billion for the third quarter alone.

The group employed 72,196 people at the end of September.

Preussag Group does business in non-ferrous metals, energy and oil services.

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#90351d0220 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 17) - Palestine Liberation Organistion (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat who made a brief visit here Monday, warned U.S. President George Bush against turning the Gulf into another Vietnam, bringing "disaster and catastrophe".

Referring to a U.N. Security Council resolution authorising the use of force against Iraq unless it withdraws from Kuwait by January 15, the PLO leader

said, "We not believe in ultimatums and deadlines".

He said the PLO supported Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's proposal to link a withdrawal from Kuwait with an Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territories.

Mr. Arafat was speaking after a three-hour meeting at the airport with Nigerian President Ibrahim Babangida.

-30- 912

#90351d0260 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC. 17) - Indian Foreign Secretary Muchkund Dubey arrived late Monday for talks on Indo-Pakistan relations amid expressions of concern here over alleged violence against India's Moslem minority.

He is due to hold discussions with Pakistani Foreign Secretary Shaharyar Mohammed Khan on Tuesday and Wednesday and may also call on President Ghulam Ishaq Khan and Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, officials said.

Pakistan is expected to raise the Kashmir dispute and ask that the two countries engage in serious efforts to find a solution to the 43-year-old problem, official sources said.

This will be the third round of talks between the foreign secretaries of the two countries since July.

The previous two sessions failed to make any headway towards improving relations, which came under severe strain after the outbreak of a militant Moslem separatist struggle this year in the Indian-controlled part of the divided state.

India accuses Pakistan of fuelling the campaign in its only Moslem-majority state, where more than 2,000 people have died since January.

Islamabad denies the charges and says it has been extending only moral, political and diplomatic support to the Kashmiris' struggle for their "right to self-determination."

Continuing communal riots in India dominate the official media and the press in Pakistan, with the government and politicians urging New Delhi to protect its Moslem minority against extremist Hindus.

The fundamentalist Jamaat-e-Islami party (JI), a key component of the ruling Islamic Democratic Alliance (IJI), Monday asked Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif to demand a special session of the 45-nation Organisation of the Islamic Conference.

-30- 1908
#90351d0300 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 17) - The Foreign Office on Monday advised British women and children living in Bahrain, Qatar and eastern Saudi Arabia to leave before January 15, the deadline the United Nations has given Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

A spokesman said that did not mean Britain feared ''a worsening of the situation'', however.

About 10,500 British women and children live in the areas named.

-30- 591
#90351d0460 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC. 17) - NATO warned here on Monday that Iraq should not be allowed to exploit Western contacts in order to extend the United Nations deadline for its withdrawal from Kuwait.

But the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation said in a statement that it supported efforts to persuade Iraq that it would be expelled by force if it failed to heed the January 15 deadline.

The statement was made during the first day of a two-day meeting of foreign ministers of the 16 member Atlantic Alliance.

During the meeting, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said Iraq could be expected to make a "dramatic step" on or around January 15 -- perhaps a partial withdrawal from Kuwait.

This needed to be rejected, he said, and Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein needed to be convinced that he stood no chance of dividing the alliance against him.

Mr. Baker said any diplomatic contacts with Iraq needed to persuade the Iraqi leader that he could not ward off the deadline "by playing games on the meeting in Baghdad".

This was a reference to a planned meeting between the U.S. Secretary of State and Mr. Hussein.

The Iraqis have refused a U.S. offer that the meeting take place any time up to January 3. They have insisted on a date of January 12, just three days before the U.N. deadline expires.

British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd also warned that Iraq should not be allowed to get away with a partial solution that did not include a full withdrawal and restoration of the Kuwaiti government.

He told journalists that Britain was against any "flurry of iniatives" on the Gulf crisis, or any change of tactics which would delude the Iraqi leadership into thinking there were any divisions in the alliance against it.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said Mr. Hussein needed to understand that "if he does not leave Kuwait, there will be war and if he does leave, there will not be war".

-30- 2128

#90351d0600 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (DEC. 17) - India and Nepal signed an agreement on Monday for reconstruction of a 100-year-old bridge which carries 75 percent of trade traffic between the two countries, official sources said.

The bridge, which links Raxual, India's northern railhead, and Nepal's southern industrial town of Birgunj forms an important political and economic link, but has fallen into disrepair.

Nepal has been asking India to repair the bridge for the last few years, but planned reconstruction was delayed between March 1989 and April 1990 because of a trade dispute between the two.

India has built another bridge over the Mohana river in the southwest of the country, which was officially opened in August.

Monday's agreement was signed by Nepal's Finance Secretary Mohan Raj Sharma and Indian Ambassador to Nepal S.K. Sinha, the sources said, adding the cost of the repairs is estimated at 1.68 million U.S. dollars, and they should be completed in one year.

-30- 1175

#90351d0620 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 17) - Iraq's Defense Ministry on Monday called up all reservists born in 1957 and asked them to proceed to their respective barracks in three days time at the latest, Baghdad radio reported.

It said reservists currently travelling abroad should return to Iraq in 15 days' time.

Iraq has decided to deploy more than 250,000 additional troops to respond to the United States decision to add to the more than 200,000 troops already deployed in the Gulf.

-30- 663

#90351d0660 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 17) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,294.50 (1,271.50) 1,302.00 (1,286.50)
Lead 319.00 (329.00) 331.50 (337.50)
Zinc Sh 1,262.50 (1,277.50) 1,261.00 (1,266.50)
Tin (in dollars) 5,732.50 (5,800.00) 5,825.00 (5,865.00)
Aluminium (in dollars) 1,519.50 (1,520.00) 1,554.50 (1,553.50)

-30- 602

#90351d0710 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC. 17) - Transport ministers of the European Community (EC) concluded three agreements here on Monday to promote a unified community transport market after the year 1993.

A spokesman for the EC Commission, the community's executive arm, said the ministers agreed that the length of trucks (lorries) including trailers could not exceed 18.35 meters (60 feet) for reasons of road safety.

To ensure good conditions for drivers, truck cabs have to measure at least 2.35 meters. The hitch between the cab and the trailer will be 0.35 meter, while the length of the load may not exceed 15.65 meters.

Trucks exceeding the new maximum length will be allowed to operate until 1998, all the same.

The ministers' second decision was adoption of a directive called for a series of measures to promote combined transport (road plus rail or road plus barge) after 1993.

It will then be possible for a trucker to pick up his load from a train or barge arriving in another EC country and finish the trip by road, whereas he is now forced to use transporters in the arrival country.

The ministers also decided to increase by 40 per cent in 1991 and 1992 (to 40,000 and 60,000, respectively) the quota of EC licenses allowing trucks to operate in various EC countries without having to apply for various national authorizations.

To allow for German reunification, the ministers added another 940 EC licenses half of them for Germany.

-30- 1662

#90351d0830 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAVANA (DEC. 17) - Bicycles are in and gas-guzzling Hungarian buses are out as Cuba makes its way through hard times marked by declining help from former allies, President Fidel Castro said in comments published Monday.

"The era of the bicycle is here to stay," he said.

In a speech Sunday to a manufacturers' convention, Mr. Castro said Cuba's "special period in peacetime" -- his orthodox communist government's term for the country's economic woes and plans to combat them -- means Cubans subjected to rationing of many goods will learn to make more out of less.

"I hope that when we emerge from the special period, these good habits will never be lost again," the communist party daily Granma quoted Mr. Castro as saying.

Formerly socialist nations in Eastern Europe that used to be a source of spare parts for Cuban industry will no longer be suppliers for this Caribbean island nation, Mr. Castro said.

"We may never get another part from them, or who knows at what price," he was quoted as saying. Cuba will buy from those "former people's democracies," he said, "if we do not have money to acquire equipment of higher quality."

Mr. Castro took aim at "antiquated" Hungarian buses plodding around Cuba, saying in Havana alone they gulped more fuel than all the harvesting machines used to reap Cuba's sugarcane crop.

On the bicycle craze he is predicting, Mr. Castro asked: "Why renounce the bicycle when it is a very healthy habit for the people?"

Next year Cuba will manufacture 100,000 bikes, and another 200,000 purchased overseas will be delivered soon, he said.

"In a special period, bicycles can be a great help," he said.

-30- 1861

#90351d0960 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) - Three Democratic senators have asked Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev for information about the 1983 downing of a Korean airliner by a Soviet jet fighter, which claimed 269 lives.

The legislators -- Sam Nunn of Georgia, Carl Levin of Michigan and Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts -- wrote to the Soviet leader last month asking for information on whether the wreckage of the plane or the remains of the passengers and crew had been located.

The letter was sent November 14 but the senators have not received a reply, aides said Monday.

"This unanswered question is a constant, troubling burden for the families and relatives of the Americans who perished on the flight," the lawmakers wrote.

The 63 Americans who were on Korean Air Lines Flight 007 included Democratic Representative Larry McDonald of Georgia.

The Boeing 747 was downed September 1, 1983, by missiles fired from a Soviet jet fighter after the airliner strayed into the strategically sensitive airspace over the Soviet northeastern island of Sakhalin.

Soviet officials have given U.S. and Japanese officials some items recovered from the plane, but have never acknowledged if the main wreckage or the remains of the victims were found.

The Soviets have charged the plane was on a U.S. spy mission. Washington denies that.

Press reports in Seoul said Sunday the Soviets have for the first time apologized for the incident.

The apology came at a meeting between Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and his South Korean counterpart Choi Ho-Joong in Moscow on Saturday, the reports said.

Mr. Choi quoted Mr. Shevardnadze as saying, "I regret that the incident cost innocent lives, although the tragedy has an aspect involving our rights to self-defense," the reports said.

The Shevardnadze-Choi meeting came as President Roh Tae-Woo became the first South Korean head of state to visit Moscow, less than three months after the two countries established diplomatic ties in September.

-30- 2236

#90351d1050 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 17) - Soviet deputy premier Leonid Abalkin said on Monday that a new devaluation of the ruble against convertible currencies is "inevitable", Tass news agency reported.

But Mr. Abalkin, speaking at a news conference, refused to say that such a devaluation is imminent, the agency said. He commented that "That would make no contribution at all to improving the country's economic situation".

On November 1, the commercial ruble, used as a unit of account for foreign companies' operations in the Soviet Union, was devalued from 0.6 ruble to 1.6

rubles to the U.S. dollar.

But almost all Soviet firms recovered their loss by tripling their prices, or by continuing to apply the former rate while waiting to boost prices.

There is still an official rate of 0.6 rubles to the dollar, as well as a tourist rate, which entitles foreign tourists to receive three rubles for a dollar at Soviet banks.

Credit cards are debited at the commercial rate, and on the black market the dollar goes for around 20 rubles.

-30- 1230

#90351d1120 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC. 17) - Three United Nations vehicles were set on fire in east Jerusalem on Monday near the organization's headquarters, police said.

They said the attack could be the work of Israeli extremists upset at a possible vote at the United Nations Security Council on a resolution of the Palestinian problem.

More than 200 Israeli-registered cars have been set ablaze by Palestinians in east Jerusalem and its surrounding areas since the start of the year, police said.

-30- 658

#90351d1170 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANAMA (DEC. 17) - British Defense Secretary Tom King will arrive in Bahrain on Tuesday for talks on the Gulf crisis, officials said Monday.

The official Gulf News Agency (GNA) said the discussions would also focus on cooperation between Bahrain and Britain.

Britain has deployed some 16,000 troops in Saudi Arabia as part of a U.S.-led multinational force massed against Iraq since it invaded Kuwait on August 2.

Another 14,000 British forces will be dispatched to the Gulf by January 15,

the United Nations-mandated deadline for an Iraqi troop withdrawal from Kuwait.

-30- 769

#90351d1190 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 17) - The European Community agreed Monday to lend 500 million dollars to Czechoslovakia.

Finance ministers of the 12 EC nations agreed in principal to the loan at one of their regular meetings.

The loan would be part of a billion dollar effort to help Czechoslovakia turn to a market economy being discussed by the so-called G24 group of 24 industrialised nations coordinating their aid to the new democracies of Eastern Europe.

The EC and the United States may ask Arab petroleum producing nations to participate in the international loan, EC officials said.

The G24 have already made similar loans to Poland and Hungary.

The EC member states also agreed that the European Investment Bank (EIB) could make loans available to Czechoslovakia, Romania and Bulgaria in addition to Poland and Hungary.

-30- 1008

#90351d1320 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 17) - The Secretary General of the Communist Party of China Jiang Zemin met Monday with a delegation from the South West Africa People's Organisation (SWAPO), the New China News Agency (NCNA) said.

The delegation, the first sent by SWAPO to China since Namibian independence earlier this year, arrived December 14 and is headed by Moses Garoeb, a member of SWAPO's politburo. the official agency said.

Mr. Jiang told the delegates he hoped SWAPO would be able to "unite most of its people to build a prosperous Namibia," NCNA said.

Mr. Garoeb presented a letter from President Sam Nujoma, who is also the head of SWAPO, to Mr. Jiang, NCNA said without giving details.

The delegation is due to travel to Shanghai before returning home on December 22.

China's deputy premier, Wu Xueqian, travelled to Windhoek in March for independence celebrations, following which China established diplomatic relations with Namibia.

-30- 1146

#90351d1330 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (DEC. 17) - Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati met here late Monday with United Arab Emirates (Uae) President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahyan to discuss the Gulf crisis, reports said.

Velayati handed Zayed a letter from Iranian President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani dealing with the latest developments in the Gulf crisis, efforts exerted to end the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait and the return of the legitimate Kuwaiti government, the Uae news Agency Wam reported.

The letter also dealt with ways of ensuring security and stability in the region and Iran's stance on this matter as well as ways of boosting cooperation between the two countries, it said.

Velayati had arrived here earlier in the day from Bahrain on the last leg of a Gulf tour to discuss the crisis brought about by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

The tour had also taken him to Qatar and Oman where he conveyed oral messages from Rafsanjani to the leaders of the two states.

Saudi Arabia, a partner of the four states in the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (Gcc), was not included in Velayati's itinerary, apparently because of strained Saudi-Iranian ties, reports said. The sixth Gcc member is Iraqi-annexed Kuwait.

-30- 1440

#90351d1560 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (DEC. 17) - President Carlos Menem denied Monday that a regiment of tanks were mobilized after irregular troop movements were reported, and warned the media against alarming the public.

"Nothing happened, absolutely nothing," Mr. Menem said when asked about the reports of irregular troop movements that might have signaled a second military revolt within a month. "We're not playing in Argentina anymore."

Argentine forces moved quickly to crush a December 3 military revolt to avoid a long standoff such as had occurred last year when some troops rebelled. Many Argentines have urged tough penalties for the rebellious troops.

Radio Chajari in Entre Rios province north of the capital had reported what were termed suspicious troop movements and other media began repeating the radio report, raising fears of another military revolt.

The reports gathered momentum after the mayor of Chajari was quoted as saying that armored vehicles were moving through the region some 400 kilometers (240 miles) north of Buenos Aires "apparently without orders from superiors."

Motorists also reported seeing armored trucks around Chajari and Defense Minister Humberto Romero went to the presidential palace to meet with Mr. Menem.

-30- 1451
#90351d1760 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) - The State Department Monday criticized Israel's use of snipers against stone-throwing Palestinians, and reiterated its opposition to expulsions of Palestinians.

"The use of live fire even by trained sharpshooters raises the likelihood of more deaths and injuries and is an inappropriate response to the threat caused by stone-throwers," the department said in a statement.

"We believe that the use of force should be proportionate to the action it is intended to prevent. We have raised our concerns with the government of Israel " the department said.

Secretary of State James Baker also brought the question up during a meeting here Thursday with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, as well Washington's opposition to Israel's expulsion of Palestinians.

John Kelly, assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern and South Asian affairs, "reiterated our position" in talks with Israel's ambassador to Washington, Zalman Shoval, department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

"In Israel, our charge and our ambassador spoke with foreign ministry and defense officials Saturday evening and Sunday," he added.

The State Department said Saturday it deplored the Israeli government's decision to order the expulsion of four Palestinians. Washington has opposed all expulsions since the intifada began, arguing that it violates the Geneva conventions on the treatment of residents of the occupied territories.

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#90351d1770 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (DEC. 18) - Australia's central bank said here Tuesday it would cut interest rates, easing official cash levels on the money market by one percentage point to about 12 per cent.

It is the sixth time this year the Reserve Bank has cut interest rates.

Analysts had been expecting the cut after Treasurer Paul Keating confirmed Australia was in recession two weeks ago.

The Reserve said the reduction in interest rates "should provide some relief to viable businesses and encourage investment opportunities, without risking the hard-won gains on inflation."

The cut in official cash rates, or interest charged on overnight inter-bank

loans, to around 12 percent is expected to affect all other interest rates, including home loans, currently ranging between 13.5 percent and 15 percent.

Prime rates issued to major corporate customers of the banks now stand at about 16 percent.

The Reserve Bank said inflationary pressures were abating, with "practically all indicators pointing to smaller increases in prices and wages than we have seen for a long time."

The Australian dollar was steady after the announcement at about 76.30 U.S. cents, while money market yields had fallen slightly.

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#90351d1790 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 18) - A delegation from the Chinese Communist Party is attending the five-day French Communist Party congress, opening Tuesday, despite protests from the hardline French party's reformist wing.

The French party leadership issued a statement on November 30 strongly protesting the planned trials of participants in the 1989 Beijing pro-democracy demonstrations, but declined to withdraw its invitation to the Chinese communists.

Judging the statement insufficient, five pro-reform Communist deputies handed in a protest to the Chinese embassy here, "very firmly condemning the actions of the Chinese authorities".

The five called on Beijing to "immediately stop repression, and free all those detained for having exercised their basic rights".

A group of pro-reform communist militants meanwhile issued a statement saying that the leadership's protest to Beijing "could only be credible" if accompanied by the cancellation of the invitation to attend the 27th congress here.

"Our party must break with the Stalinist concept of the class struggle on the international scale, according to which we cannot associate with the assassins of Santiago (Chile) but we can with those of Brasov (Romania) and Beijing ... because they are communists," the group said.

In addition to the reformers' appeal, motions proposing the withdrawal of the invitation to the Chinese delegation were put forward at some local meetings of militants ahead of the congress, notably in the Paris region.

The French party leadership, according to Central Committee secretary Gaston Plissonnier, maintains that the relations among communist parties should be

based on "total respect of independence, non-interference and the recognition of differences and divergences".

Advocates of reform in the French Communist Party make up a full third of the party's 26 parliamentary deputies and are well placed in local government, but are in a minority among the 1,500 congress delegates.

The congress is expected to endorse the French communist party's orthodox line which the leadership has refused to abandon despite the collapse of hardline communist regimes throughout eastern Europe.

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#90351d1800 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 18) - The United States on Monday encouraged Western Europe to establish a common defense system to face up to dangers not covered by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Addressing NATO foreign ministers here, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker showed special interest in the role that could be played by the Western European Union (WEU) to defend the interests of Western Europe and NATO.

The WEU, founded in the 1950s, now groups Germany, Belgium, Spain, France,

Britain, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and Portugal and is the only solely European grouping competent to handle defense.

In close collaboration with the United States, it sponsored the intervention of European naval forces in the Gulf in 1987 and this year.

In his speech, extracts of which were released late Monday, Mr. Baker said the Iraqi invasion was "not likely to be the last challenge we face" in the Middle East.

He declared: "Iraq's aggression in the tinderbox of the Middle East certainly poses a danger to Western Europe that could be as important as any direct threat to NATO territory."

The North Atlantic treaty calls for collective defense only when one of its member countries, 14 in Europe plus the United States and Canada, is threatened. Thus NATO is not allowed to intervene in the Middle East unless it is defending Turkey.

"We would be especially interested in how a European defense identity might help meet those challenges (...) upon which NATO traditionally has not acted," Mr. Baker said.

He went on: "In this respect, we have noted with particular interest

suggestions that the WEU -- an organization that has twice responded to threats in the Gulf region -- might form the basis of such an identity.

"A European pillar for the Alliance building on the experience of the WEU could help us rise above the old and sterile debate about 'out-of-area' roles."

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#90351d1940 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) - President George Bush Monday said he remained open to talks with Iraq. But he stressed that Baghdad's inflexibility was heightening tension, and reiterated that Iraqi forces must quit Kuwait by midnight January 15.

He said all necessary means would be used to drive Iraq from Kuwait without negotiating the fate of "one inch" of Kuwaiti territory.

"I'm not in a threatening mode," Mr. Bush told a press conference. "I don't think any of us are. We're in a determined mode. A mode that he (Iraqi President Saddam Hussein) should get out (of Kuwait). And he's got to understand it. So we keep on repeating it: no negotiation for one inch of territory."

Mr. Bush met earlier Monday with representatives of the 28 countries allied against Iraq, and with Nathaniel Howell, U.S. ambassador to Kuwait.

The U.S. president warned that Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait by midnight January 15 and said he had already shown enough flexibility on arranging talks with Baghdad.

Mr. Bush added that "thus far, Iraq's behavior underscores what I think is it's lack of interest in a peaceful settlement of this crisis."

Mr. Bush said he hoped the planned dialogue still would take place and that the stalemate over dates for high-level meetings would not bring the two countries closer to war.

"I'm still hopeful there's a peaceful solution to this problem," Mr. Bush said.

"At midnight (January 15), if he (Mr. Hussein) is not totally out of Kuwait, the U.N. sanctions must be fulfilled," Mr. Bush told reporters.

Mr. Bush refused to say what he would do if Iraq did not pull out of Kuwait by the United Nations-approved deadline of January 15. The world body has sanctioned the use of force after that date if Iraqi invasion forces remain in the emirate.

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#90351d2100 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 17) - British billionaire Richard Branson and Swedish balloonist Per Lindstrand said Monday that weather conditions forced them to put off until January a bid to cross the Pacific Ocean by hot-air balloon.

"To try and cross the world's largest ocean at this time would pose too high a risk factor," Mr. Branson said in Miyakonojo, a small town 900 kilometers (540 miles) southwest of Tokyo.

The two balloonists and the rest of their team arrived in Miyakonojo at the end of November, hoping for an early launch.

But unseasonable atmospheric conditions, including the first typhoon to hit Japan in 120 years, forced postponement of the launch.

Mr. Branson and Mr. Lindstrand, who made the first successful Atlantic crossing by hot-air balloon in 1987, will return to Miyakonojo in early January in hopes of more favorable weather conditions.

If the jet stream allows, they could cross the Pacific in about 60 hours at an altitude of 10,000 meters (about 33,000 feet).

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#90351d2110 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OSHKOSH, Wisconsin (DEC. 17) - A judge Monday ordered a new trial for a man convicted of raping a woman doctors say has 46 personalities.

In overturning the conviction, the judge said the rape victim should have been interviewed by a defense psychologist.

The judge made the decision at the request of District Attorney Joseph Paulus, in agreement with the opinion of the state attorney general's office that the conviction should be overturned. Mr. Paulus was the object of considerable criticism for his earlier handling of the case.

The district attorney said he had not decided whether he would seek a second prosecution of Mark Peterson, aged 29, of Oshkosh. Mr. Paulus planned to question the woman's doctors to determine if she was capable of participating in a new trial.

George Curtis, the Oshkosh woman's attorney, said she was willing to testify at a second trial but that he would discourage her from doing so.

Mr. Peterson was convicted November 8 of second-degree sexual assault after a trial which called into question the issues of sexual consent and the mentally ill, and specifically cases involving the affliction known as multiple

personality disorder.

The 27-year-old woman testified that she was unaware that she had sex until other personalities told her so.

Jurors agreed with Mr. Paulus's assessment that Mr. Peterson coerced one of the woman's personalities to have sex with him in his car. Wisconsin law prohibits sexual relations with a mentally ill person incapable of understanding his actions.

Mr. Peterson's new attorney, Mary Sue Robinson, presented nine separate grounds in her effort to secure a second trial for her client.

"I don't think there is anybody who participated in that trial who would like to have the appellate (court) read the record, much less the Supreme Court," she said.

The judge's ruling addressed only the contention that the defense psychiatrist ought to have been permitted to interview the victim.

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#90351d2620 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PANAMA CITY (DEC. 18) - Narcotics agents in Panama City confiscated Monday a shipment of 28 kilograms of cocaine from Colombia destined for the European drug market, reports said here.

Authorities gave the street value as 3 million dollars.

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#90351d6950 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 17) - Authorities have closed the Taj Mahal to tourists after widespread Hindu-Moslem riots forced an indefinite curfew in the town of Agra, a government official said Monday.

The 17th-century marble mausoleum, which attracts two million tourists a year, was shut Saturday after the communal clashes, said the official, Ajit Kumar Singh.

"I can't say when it will open," said Mr. Singh, assistant director in the tourism department of the northern Indian state of Uttar Pradesh, speaking by telephone from Agra, 200 kilometers (125 miles) south of here.

He said a curfew was in force in Agra's Tajganj district, where the Taj Mahal is located, and which is the worst-hit area in the town where Hindu-Moslem violence left 20 people dead since Friday.

"The area is not secure" despite the deployment of army troops and paramilitary forces, the official added.

Taj Mahal, admired for its perfect Moghul architecture, was built during India's early Islamic era by emperor Shah Jahan in the memory of his wife Mumtaz Mahal who died in 1630.

Mr. A.K. Singh said the government had also shut Agra Fort, built with red sandstone by Moghul emperor Akbar in the 16th century, and the nearby mausoleum of Akbar known as Sikandara.

"But tourists are still coming into Agra," he said. "They are putting up in hotels... There is absolutely no traffic in the Taj Mahal area."

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#90351d7040 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 17) - Albania is to try 157 people who took part in violent anti-government demonstrations last week, the Albanian chief investigator Chemal Ljama announced.

Mr. Ljama, quoted on Albanian radio monitored by the BBC, said they were accused of various offences. These included illegitimate gatherings, "plundering the wealth of the people", assassination attempts and causing injury.

Calm returned to the country Saturday after troops backed by tanks and armored vehicles regained control of the cities of Elbasan, Shkoder, Kavaje and Durres which had been rocked by three days of rioting.

Fifty people were arrested in Elbasan, 60 in Shkoder, and 42 in Durres.

Mr. Ljama, speaking in an interview Saturday that was broadcast in English late Sunday, said the accused could have a lawyer.

President Ramiz Alia has been pushing a program of reforms of the orthodox communist system inherited from his predecessor Enver Hoxha.

Albania, Europe's last hardline Communist state, authorized the creation of independent political parties last Tuesday.

A Democratic Party was created on the campus of Tirana University after the announcement and said it would contest elections next February.

It has repeatedly declared its support for Mr. Alia's reform program and called for an end to the rioting, which it said "endangered the democratization process".

The government said the rioting left 20 people injured.

Both the Albanian press and independent sources said rioters in the provincial cities had looted stores and struck at symbols of the communist regime, attacking local Communist Party headquarters, radio stations and town halls.

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#90351d7070 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 17) - China reduced timber consumption by 15 per cent, or 53 million cubic metres (1.8 billion cubic feet), between 1985 and 1990, the China Daily said here Monday.

Citing the ministry of forestry, the official English-language newspaper said that after steadily increasing for years, timber consumption in this country facing widespread deforestation began to fall off sharply in 1988.

The ministry attributed the 15 per cent drop to the reduced use of wood for heating and to a falloff in house-building by farmers.

The government in March called on Chinese to take part in the 10th national reforestation campaign, which is seeking to plant 12 million trees this year.

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#90351d7100 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Colombo (DEC. 17) - Nine Sri Lankan soldiers were killed when their vehicles were blown up by a mine planted by suspected Tamil rebels who then launched a gun and grenade attack on the troops, military officials said here Monday.

Eight soldiers were also wounded in the ambush Sunday night at Meeyankulam, north of the eastern town of Batticaloa.

The soldiers were in two army vehicles which were blasted by the mine laid by rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (Ltte) who opened fire and threw grenades at the troops, the officials said.

The rebels, who are fighting in the northeast for an independent homeland for minority Tamils, seized weapons and signals equipment in the attack.

In another incident, three suspected rebels were shot dead by elite Special Task Force (Stf) commandos Monday during a search operation in the adjoining Ampara district.

Elsewhere, four suspected Tamil rebels were killed in two separate incidents in the northern Keerimalai and Palaly areas on Sunday, military officials said.

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#90351d7140 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 17) - Japan's top economic policy planner, Hideyuki Aizawa, called Monday on monetary authorities to lower current interest rates to keep the economy on uptrend.

Speaking at a Budget Committee meeting of the House of Councillors, the upper house of parliament, Mr. Aizawa, director general of the Economic Planning Agency (EPA) said the EPA shared the view of the Bank of Japan that the fundamentals of the Japanese economy had not changed much, with stable consumer spending and corporate investment in plant and equipments.

He said however that higher oil prices, interest rates and jobless figures might affect the future of the economy.

Mr. Aizawa said that higher interest rates were ''a problem'', adding that ''adequate measures'' ought to be taken by monetary authorities.

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#90351d7150 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (DEC. 17) - The United States and the Philippines need two more sessions next month to conclude a new treaty on U.S. military bases in this country, Philippine Foreign Secretary Raul Manglapus said Monday.

"We are now nearing, hopefully, the end of the negotiations," he told a press forum here. "We are going to meet again in January, perhaps for two more rounds. At the end of the second round in January we hope that we will be concluding the talks."

Manila has set a January deadline for the two governments to agree on terms for Clark Air Base and Subic Naval Base, the two largest American military facilities abroad, along with four support installations, on which the lease expires in nine months' time.

Mr. Manglapus said the new agreement must take the form of a treaty ratified by the legislatures of both countries and which would involve a "compensatory arrangement that would take into consideration the economic needs of the Philippines today".

Washington has pledged 481 million dollars a year in economic and military aid to Manila for the last two years of the current bases agreement. A U.S. spokesman said earlier this month that compensation levels would be commensurate with the level of access American troops would get after 1991.

Two U.S. senators who visited Manila early this month ruled out setting a fixed amount of compensation for the bases, but said they were agreeable to a non-cash package that would include a debt write-off similar to that recently

granted by Washington to Egypt.

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#90351d7260 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (DEC. 17) - South African Foreign Minister Roelof Pik Botha will visit Zambia Tuesday, to discuss with President Kenneth Kaunda the normalisation of relations between the two countries, The Times of Zambia reported Monday.

According to the newspaper, Mr. Botha is visiting Zambia at the express invitiation of Mr. Kaunda to discuss regional issues as well as normalisation of bilateral.

The newspaper quoted the Zambian leader as saying he predicted ''a great future for Africa'' when a democratic South Africa joined the continent's economic groupings.

Diplomatic and economic observers see Mr. Kaunda's invitation as confirmation that Zambia is getting closer to opening economic trade links with South Africa. A South African trade mission is expected to open in Lusaka some time this month.

The Times of Zambia also reported that President Kaunda will sign on Tuesday the constitution amendment bill legalising the formation of opposition parties and ending 17 years of one-party rule through the United National Independence Party (UNIP).

The paper quotes the president as saying multi-party advocates should not fear that next year's elections will be rigged. ''There is no way I will sit down and cheat...There is no way I can be president over a cheating arrangement,'' he said.

However, Mr. Kaunda said the state of emergency in force for 26 years in Zambia would not be lifted in the near future. ''As long as the multi- party advocates continue to behave the way they do at present I will not lift the state of emergency,'' the paper quoted him as saying.

Opposition politicians say the state of emergency will stifle their activities during the multi-party campaign period.

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#90351d7300 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (DEC. 17) - Europe is expected to become Taiwan's largest trading partner by the turn of the century, when bilateral trade will account for 30 per cent of the island's total foreign trade, the Euro-Asia Trade Organization (Eato) predicted Monday.

Eato officials based on Taiwan said after West Europe is integrated into a single market in 1992, Europe will replace the United States as the most important export outlet for Taiwan-made products because of a total maarket of 320 million consumers.

According to Eato statistics, Taiwan's investment in Europe between 1959 and 1989 accounted for only 7 per cent of the island's total external investment during the period, but the figure has jumped to 17 per cent between January and October of this year.

The figures show that local manufacturers are more active in making investment in Europe, in light of the upcoming integration of West Europe into a single market, Eato officials said.

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#90351d7360 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (DEC. 17) - A five-day International Congress on AIDS began as scheduled here Monday despite a last minute boycott by the World Health Organisation (WHO) and other United Nations organisations.

The WHO decided to boycott the conference, organized by Princess Chulaborn, the youngest daughter of King Bhumibol Adulyadej, in protest at Thailand's refusal to allow sufferers from acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) a visa to attend.

But despite the WHO decision hundreds of doctors, scientists and AIDS activists from around the world attended today's opening by the princess, chairman of the Chulaborn Research Institute (CRI).

Last week Princess Chulaborn resigned as a goodwill ambassador for the WHO after it announced its withdrawal from the conference.

According to sources, she said WHO had imposed undue pressure on her to lobby the government to have the ban on AIDS victims entering the country dropped.

A statement issued by the CRI on Friday said Princess Chulaborn was not in a position to lobby for an amendment to the law which prohibits granting of visas to AIDS sufferers.

''This is a private institute which has never meddled in politics and must abide by Thai laws,'' the statement said.

Even after the Princess's resignation, the Thai government continued to stand firm on the ban, rejecting a last minute call from the Public Health Ministry to grant AIDS victims entry visas.

The conference, which runs all week, will cover the scientific, social, legal

and psychological effects of the incurable disease, which is transmitted by sexual contact or transfusions of contaminated blood and destroys the body's resistance to infection.

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#90351d7370 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Taipei (DEC. 17) - More than 200 illegal immigrants from the Chinese mainland rioted in a detention centre in northeastern Taiwan to demand that they be immediately repatriated, an official of the Taiwan Garrison Command confirmed Monday.

The disturbance, which occurred Sunday in Lotung, Ilan County, was was quelled in a few hours, the official said. But informed sources said it lasted from breakfast time until the evening.

The official of the Garrison Command, which governs the centre, said the incident may have been caused by the slow progress of repatriation.

The centre, which can accommodate 216 people, is now crowded with more than 300. Most of those detained have been there three months, informed sources said.

Many mainland Chinese enter Taiwan illegally to work at jobs that pay more than on the mainland. Authorities here estimate more than 10,000 Chinese have sneaked into Taiwan since 1987, when the Nationalist government ended 38 years of martial law and eased restrictions on contacts between people on both sides across the Taiwan Strait.

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#90351d7390 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KABALE, Uganda (DEC. 17) - Rebels in Rwanda are battling government forces in several areas near the border with Uganda and have captured the border post of Kagima, according to residents on the Ugandan side.

The northern Rwandan village of Kaniga, a few kilometres from the border, on Sunday came under heavy mortar fire which could be heard from the Ugandan village of Rwene said the correspondent. The firing seemed to be moving deeper into Rwanda.

Rebels of the Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF), who invaded north-eastern Rwanda from Uganda in October, took Kagima on Thursday after a two-day battle that left an estimated 60 government troops dead, villagers on the Ugandan side of the border said.

Rebel forces were seen advancing towards Rukono, 15 kilometres (nine miles) inside Rwanda, suggesting that they could be trying to link up with other

rebels hiding in the Akagera national park in north-east Rwanda, residents of the Ugandan border village of Kampinga said.

They said "a large number of rebels" were on the move, but could not give any figure.

Sporadic mortar fire apparently coming from the Bulindi tea factory could be heard from the main border post of Katuna on Sunday, the AFP correspondent said, though Rwandan troops seemed to be in control of the area.

Residents on the Ugandan side of the border said the RPF had apparently launched a fresh offensive on December 5, when they attacked government troops about four kilometres (two-and-a-half miles) from the Ugandan border district of Kamwezi.

Local people who watched the fighting from the Kamwezi hills said hundreds of rebels had battled the Rwandan army for about three hours.

One man said up to 20 government troops had been killed, and a local journalist who visited the battleground two days later said he counted 16 corpses near four burned-out army jeeps.

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#90351d7420 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 17) - Japanese sales of motor vehicles are expected to climb 1.5 per cent from 7.8 million units this year to 7.92 million units in 1991, Toyota Motor Corp. chairman Shoichiro Toyoda said Monday.

"Personal consumption will remain brisk despite the fall in stock prices and slowdown in investment on plants and equipment," Mr. Toyoda told a news conference. "Car sales will therefore remain brisk."

Toyota's sales are expected to rise four per cent to 2.6 million units with exports advancing six per cent to 1.78 million units, led by sales to Asia, he said. The company's domestic production is forecast to rise four per cent to 4.36 million units with production abroad rising two per cent to 690,000 units.

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#90351d7430 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (DEC. 17) - Malaysian Finance Minister Daim Zainuddin said Monday that the government has given approval to a private consortium to set up a financial futures market.

The finance ministry has issued a letter of approval to the promoters of the Kuala Lumpur Options and Financial Futures Exchange (KLOFFE), Bernama news agency quoted Mr. Daim as saying.

"These people did a study and made an application to the Capital Issues Committee which has also given its approval," the minister said.

The exchange, which was announced last week, took by surprise the Kuala Lumpur Commodity Exchange (KLCE) and the Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange (KLSE),

which had shown keen interest in introducing financial futures trading.

The KLCE said in a statement last week that it was still definitely pursuing financial futures trading.

Mr. Daim, speaking to reporters after briefing members of parliament on budget proposals for 1991, also said that the government would like to see more mergers among financial institutions.

In September, Bank of Commerce and United Asian Bank proposed a merger to form Malaysia's fifth largest locally-incorporated commercial bank.

"We want to see mergers, not only among banks but also among stockbroking firms as well as other financial institutions," Mr. Daim said.

The government is encouraging stockbroking companies to merge as a means to strengthen their capital base.

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#90351d7500 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (DEC. 17) - Crude oil output by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) rose by nearly a million barrels a day in November to 23.63 million, the Middle East Economic Survey (MEES) reported here Monday.

The increase over October of 970,000 barrels a day was "largely attributable" to production hikes in Iran and Saudi Arabia, according to the Nicosia-based specialist newsletter.

In Iran output rose 460,000 barrels a day over October to reach 3.46 million barrels, while in Saudi Arabia production went up 530,000 barrels to day to 8.33 million and should hit 8.63 million barrels a day in December.

Exports from Iran averaged 2.66 million barrels a day in November, an increase of 640,000 over October, according to MEES.

OPEC ministers from the cartel's 13 member states agreed at the end of a meeting in Vienna last week to allow unlimited production during the Gulf crisis.

But with an end to the tension in the region, OPEC vowed to return to a

production ceiling of 22.5 million barrels a day and a reference price of 21 dollars a barrel.

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#90351d7510 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 17) - Japan and North Korea will open formal talks in Pyongyang late next month on establishing diplomatic relations, a Japanese diplomatic source said.

The decision came at the end of a third round of preparatory "talks about talks" in the Chinese capital aimed at setting a time, place and agenda for the negotiations.

A precise date for the Pyongyang meeting will be set through diplomatic consultations, but the source said both sides had agreed at the preparatory talks that the opening round should take place in late January.

They would be followed by a second round in Tokyo, with any subsequent rounds to be held in Beijing, the source added.

Theoretically, the talks are to be held at the deputy foreign minister level, but the Japanese source said Tokyo would appoint a special ambassador as the head of its delegation.

Monday's announcement was seen by North Korea watchers as a fresh sign that Pyongyang - one of the world's few remaining orthodox Marxist states - is seeking to end its diplomatic isolation.

But they cautioned that the upcoming negotiations could be tough. North Korea is known to have demanded reparations from Japan, which occupied the Korean Peninsula as a colonial power from 1910 until the end of World War Two in 1945.

The developments stem from an ice-breaking trip to Pyongyang in September by Japan's powerful former deputy prime minister Shin Kanemaru, when President Kim Il-Sung signalled a willingness to open ties with Tokyo.

It was followed by the three rounds of preparatory talks, which started in November and took place in Beijing, convenient for both Tokyo and Pyongyang.

They were the first-ever official contacts between Japan and North Korea.

The third round began on Saturday, continued Sunday, then went into an unexpected third day Monday.

During the weekend little progress was reported, but the Japanese source said both sides managed to hammer out a broad four-point agenda covering "fundamental" economic, international and miscellaneous issues "concerning the

normalization of relations."

The last agenda item is to include discussion on the legal status of ethnic Koreans living in Japan, and of Japanese women who are married to North Korean nationals.

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#90351d7520 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 17) - A Chinese automaker and the French firm Citroen will sign a contract in Paris on Wednesday for the joint construction of a new car in China, with an ultimate production target of 300,000 a year, China Daily said Monday.

The announcement of the deal, which has been under discussion for years, was greeted by industry sources with scepticism.

New passenger car registrations currently peak at around 150,000 a year in China, they said adding that the project contained a number of ambiguities.

Citroen's managing director Raymond Ravenel, during a visit here in October, was noncommittal on production targets, describing the figure of 300,000 as a "long-term" goal.

Chen Qingtai, director of Citroen's partner in the contract, the China Second Automobile Works (SAW), told China Daily that annual production capacity would be 150,000 cars when production began and said the figure of 300,000 would depend on market conditions and availability of funds.

The newspaper quoted experts as estimating the demand for new cars would reach 1.2 million annually around the year 2000.

The deal creating the Aeolus-Citroen joint venture, based at Wuhan in east central China, to be signed between SAW and Citroen's parent company Peugeot SA, will represent an investment of 800 million dollars, partly financed from French public funds, according to the Chinese firm.

Mr. Ravenel, however, said the investment would total 400 million dollars.

The deal was held up by sanctions, including the embargo on government loans, imposed on China by the European Community following the crushing of pro-democracy unrest in Beijing in June 1989.

According to China Daily the first car produced by the new joint venture in 1994 -- a new 1,500 cc model -- will be assembled from imported components.

Mr. Chen said that some cars produced during the first phase of production would be for export, notably to developing countries, whereas Mr. Ravenel had

indicated in October that almost all would be sold on the domestic market.

According to experts the deal was even more of a gamble following the joint-venture agreement of German automaker Volkswagen signed in November to produce Golf cars in the northeastern industrial city of Changchun, with an eventual capacity target of 150,000 units.

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#90351d7540 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 17) - Nigeria will launch a rehabilitation and reconstruction fund for Liberia early next year to help repair the damage left by almost a year of civil war, press reports Monday quoted President Ibrahim Babangida as saying.

The Nigerian public would be expected to contribute to the fund to help rebuild the West African nation, he said at the weekend in Abuja, the nation's future capital, at the yearly patron's night of the Nigerian Institute of International Affairs.

He said the scheme may also be launched in all the other West African nations: "I would like like to see, this fund extended to embrace all member-states of the Economic Community of West African States (Ecowas) and interested community and non-governmental organisations."

Nigeria believed in the OAU principle of non-intervention in the affairs of other states, but he said this should not be used as "an excuse to shed our responsibilities at the expense of humanity".

Since Africa was no longer of crucial strategic interest to the great world powers, it was wrong to leave the management of crises in the continent to external actors, he said.

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#90351d7590 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 17) - Three Daimler-Benz group firms and Mitsubishi Motors Corp. (Mmc) announced Monday an agreement to set up a new joint venture firm to strengthen Mercedes car sales in Japan.

The partners include Daimler-Benz, Mercedes-Benz, and Mercedes-Benz Japan (Mbj). But Yanase and Co., a leading imported car seller which had been foreseen as a partner in the joint venture, dropped out of the project.

Mbj president Michael N. Bassermann told a news conference after negotiations that the partners believed it would be ''better and more realistic'' for just the two groups - Daimler-Benz and Mitsubishi -forming the joint venture.

Mercedes-Benz expects sales of about 40,000 passenger cars in Japan for 1990, to gain top position among foreign carmakers.

With an increase of more than 25 per cent over last year, Japan has grown to be one of the biggest markets for Mercedes passenger cars, according to the Mbj company.

Meanwhile, Toyota Motor Corp. president Soichiro Toyoda said at a news conference that domestic sales of four-wheeled vehicles by Japanese carmakers will reach an estimated 7.92 million units in 1991, up from 7.8 million seen for this year.

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#90351d7620 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 17) - Iraq on Monday warned it was now fully prepared to do battle with the United States and said its apparent military capacity was but "the tip of the iceberg."

"Iraqis have a great desire to undertake the decisive battle," said Al-Thawra, the publication of the ruling Baath party.

But it stressed that "Iraqis were also advocates of peace, although not one that means acceptance of U.S. hegemony."

"All measures have been taken on the front to inflict disorder in the ranks of the aggressor," according to Al-Thawra.

Another paper, the defense ministry journal Al-Qadissiyah, asserted that Iraq's military capacities are only "the visible tip fo the iceberg," behind which stands "a formidable and destructive power."

Iraq and the United States are engaged in a bitter diplomatic and military standoff in the Gulf, as a January 15 United Nations deadline for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait approaches.

After that date the U.S.-led multinational force in the region would have U.N. Security Council authorization to launch a military attack to dislodge Iraqi forces from Kuwait.

Fears of war appeared to ease late last month when U.S. President George Bush proposed a direct dialogue with Iraq. But the two sides have since then failed to agree on dates for meetings in Washington and Baghdad.

Iraqi authorities in the meantime have intensified civil defense procedures.

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#90351d7630 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Brussels (DEC. 17) - Foreign ministers of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato) gathered here Monday for a two-day autumn meeting at which the Gulf crisis and a new security structure for Europe will be high on the agenda.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker is expected to remind Washington's allies of an earlier U.S. request to make available additional ships and aircraft to transport troops to the Gulf.

On his flight to Brussels, Baker told journalists he was still hopeful that talks could be arranged between the United States and Iraq on the Gulf crisis.

Iraq called off a visit to Washington by Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz which had been scheduled for Monday.

Nato members hope to work out a new security strategy to reflect the enormous political changes which have taken place in Europe.

Members of the European Community agreed at their summit in Rome to pursue a joint security policy at which Nato is expected to continue to play a crucial role.

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#90351d7680 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (DEC 17) - China's first securities exchange, the Shanghai Stock Exchange (Sse), will be officially inaugurated December 19, a local stock exchange official said here Monday.

Lee Hsiang-jui, head of the Shanghai branch of the China Bank of Communications, will assume the chairmanship of the Sse, said the official, who declined to be identified.

A large seminar on stock exchange operation will be held simultaneously with the opening of the market. Related experts and scholars from Taiwan, Hong Kong and China will be invited to attend the event, he said.

Direct transactions between Taiwan and China are banned under local Taipei policy. Violators can be prosecuted for ''profiting the Chinese communists'' under the local law.

But the Nationalist government has recently relaxed restrictions on local contacts with Beijing, as private exchange activities have increased in the past several years.

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#90351d7700 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ALGIERS (DEC. 17) - Around 4,000 Algerian barristers have gone on strike to protest a government plan to introduce new rules for their profession which they say will "restrict" the rights of the defence.

The National Union of Algerian Barristers (UNAA) said the unlimited strike was a "warning" to legislators seeking to do away with lawyer-client confidentiality and the barrister's right to immunity from prosecution in the exercise of his profession.

Miloud Brahimi, honorary president of the Algerian League of Human Rights said the proposed new code of practice now before parliament would "leave clients at the mercy of the authorities" and would be a "serious threat to individual freedom".

The strike which began last Wednesday has paralysed courts in Algiers and the rest of the country.

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#90351d7720 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RUESSELSHEIM (DEC. 17) - The Adam Opel car company said Monday its daily output here has reached 1,400 cars, coming very close to the plant's maximum capacity of 1,470 cars.

Plant director Klaus Rieger, noting that production at the start of 1990 was 1,150 cars daily, said Opel expected to produce 292,170 cars for the year, up six per cent from last year.

The increase was noteworthy because employees performed only half as many overtime work shifts as in 1989, Rieger said.

The production rise also outpaced the increase the work force, which in November reached 31,600, about five per cent more than at the start of the year.

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#90351d7790 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HONG KONG (DEC. 17) - The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corp., a pillar of this international financial hub, dropped a bombshell here Monday by saying it would form a new holding company incorporated in Britain.

The shifting of the bank's legal domicile, widely leaked here in the past week has been interpreted as a no-confidence vote on the future of the British colony which is scheduled to revert to Chinese rule in 1997.

The Hongkong Bank also announced Monday it has dropped its merger plans with

Britain's Midland Bank amid "the uncertain state of financial markets" worldwide.

In a separate announcement, the Hongkong Bank said it proposed to its shareholders a new group holding company, called HSBC Holdings Plc, which is to be a "UK-incorporated company managed and controlled in Hong Kong."

In a bid to allay market fears, the bank's chairman William Purves was quoted as saying: "We are emphatically not turning our back on Hong Kong. We shall remain headquartered in the territory."

"The assets, liabilities and operations of the group will remain unchanged," the statement added.

It said the banks' listings on the local and London stock exchanges would be replaced by the new holding firm.

Speculation has been rife over the Hongkong Bank move, which saw local stocks' Hang Seng Index fall by 2.4 per cent Monday.

The bank said its restructuring was prompted by persistent questions from its overseas business associates over the bank's future plans, which it said were "misplaced" but "understandable ... in the light of the unprecedented future constitutional status of Hong Kong."

Financial analysts said the bank reorganising scheme could prove the biggest financial blow Hong Kong has suffered since 1984, when the colony's oldest British trading concern, Jardine Matheson Holdings Ltd., shifted its legal base to Bermuda.

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#90351d7900 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (DEC. 17) - Chinese Premier Li Peng arrived here Monday on a three-day state visit to Sri Lanka during which he will hold talks with President Ranasinghe Premadasa, officials here said.

Mr. Li landed at Katunayake international airport to a 21-gun salute and was greeted by Prime Minister Dingiri Banda Wijetunga.

The visiting leader is on the final leg of a four-nation Asian tour which has taken him to Kuala Lumpur, Manila and Vientiane.

China has been a major supplier of arms to Sri Lankan security forces in their ongoing drive against Tamil separatist guerrillas in the island's northeast.

However, junior Defence Minister Ranjan Wijeratne last week said there would be no agreements between the two countries on arms supplies during Mr. Li's

visit.

The English-language Sunday Island newspaper said a Chinese delegation had arrived in Sri Lanka ahead of Mr. Li's visit to sign a contract with the navy for the supply of urgently needed landing craft.

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#90351d7930 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (DEC. 17) - The Italian scooter and light vehicle manufacturer Piaggio and Japan's Daihatsu Motors signed an agreement in Osaka on Monday to set up a joint venture in Italy to produce about 35,000 light vehicles a year, it was announced here.

The agreement was signed by Piaggio president Gustavo Denegri and Daihatsu chief Jiro Osuga.

The new company, owned 51 per cent by Piaggio and 49 per cent by Daihatsu, will have its headquarters in Pisa.

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#90351d8020 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) - Washington says the Soviet Union deliberately underestimated the number of its conventional arms to be destroyed under a disarmament treaty, and has made an official complaint to Moscow, the Washington Post said Monday.

The agreement on Conventional Forces in Europe (CFE) was signed by Moscow and Washington in Vienna last month but must still be ratified by the U.S. Congress.

U.S. and allied government officials cited in the article said Moscow largevered by the treaty after it was signed.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and chief U.S. negotiator at the CFE talks James Woolsey, informed Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze of the U.S. complaint last week in Houston, the paper said.

It noted that a provision in the CFE treaty says "any necessary correction" can be made in the 90 days following its signature, which means until February 17.

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#90351d8090 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (DEC. 17) - The Bangladeshi ambassador to Japan, Hedayetul Huq, has been recalled and the ambassador to France, Tozammel Huq, has resigned, a

foreign office source said here Monday.

"A message was sent to Mr. Hedayetul Huq today (Monday), and Mr. Tozammel Huq's resignation has been accepted," the source said.

The ambassador to France, an appointee of ousted president Hussain Mohammad Ershad, had been sent on a two-year term in 1987 which was renewed last year for a similar period, he added.

It was not immediately known who would replace the two diplomats, but the moves came as the interim government here reviewed "controversial" envoys, a euphemism for those considered close to Mr. Ershad.

Foreign Office officials had demanded that acting President Shahabuddin Ahmed's government streamline the service and recall all officials appointed "irregularly".

The first ambassador to be recalled after Mr. Ershad's fall was his brother-in-law A.H.G. Mohiuddin, Bangladesh's permanent representative to the United Nations, and sources said several junior diplomats had also been ordered home.

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#90351d8180 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WINDHOEK (DEC. 17) - Namibian Prime Minister Hage Geingob has gone to Brussels where he will sign the Lome Four Convention agreement on Tuesday, state-run radio said Monday.

Mr. Geingob said the significance of Namibia's membership of the convention, which governs trade and aid relations between the 12-member European Community (EC) and 66 African, Caribbean and Pacific nations, lay not only in access to European markets, but also in the direct link it provided with the EC.

He expressed his satisfaction with the 10,500-ton beef quota allocated to Namibia in terms of the convention and said farmers should strive to meet it in the first year.

Mr. Geingob, who left for the Belgian capital at the weekend said he would also use the European visit to inform leaders of Namibia's investment code and private sector investment conference to be held in Windhoek from February 3 to 6 next year.

The Prime Minister also intends to visit London to inspect possible premises for a future embassy in the British capital.

Mr. Geingob said Namibia also planned to establish an embassy in Brussels.

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#90351d8280 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WIESBADEN (DEC. 17) - Rising prices for natural gas sent Germany's gas import costs soaring by 28.5 per cent in the first ten months of the year, the Federal Office of Statistics said Monday.

The office said that the January-October import volume rose 3.1 per cent to 38.6 billion cubic metres, while the import bill came to 5.5 billion marks (3.69 billion dollars), up 28.5 per cent.

In October, 1,000 cubic metres of gas cost 142.30 marks, compared to 110.70 marks paid at the start of 1990, the office said.

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#90351d8310 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KUALA LUMPUR (DEC. 17) - Two petrochemical plants, in which Malaysia's national oil company Petronas has majority stakes, secured loans Monday totalling 321.5 million dollars from a consortium of 30 local and international banks.

The loans are in two tranches, comprising 221 million U.S. dollars and 78 million Malaysian dollars (28.9 million U.S.) for MTBE Malaysia Sdn. Bhd. and 60.5 million U.S. dollars and 30 million Malaysian dollars (11.1 million U.S.) for Polypropylene Malaysia Sdn. Bhd.

Petronas president, Azizan Zainal Abidin, said at the signing ceremony that it was the first time the oil company had raised funds for its projects without putting up a guarantor.

"The projects are so good that people are prepared to accept them without guarantee," he said.

Petronas has a 60 per cent stake in MTBE Malaysia which will produce 300,000 tonnes of methyl tertiary butyl ether, a substitute for lead used in petrol, and 80,000 tonnes of propylene a year when it comes on stream in August 1992.

Finland's Neste Oy has a 30 per cent stake in the plant sited in the eastern state of Pahang, while Japan's Idemitsu Petrochemicals Co. Ltd. holds the remaining share. The plant uses natural gas from offshore fields as raw material.

Polypropylene Malaysia, in which Petronas has a 55 per cent share, will produce polypropylene using the propylene produced by MTBE as feedstock.

The other partners are Neste Oy which has 35 per cent of the equity and Idemitsu which holds a 10 per cent stake.

Polypropylene is used in the production of films, plastics, ropes, chairs, woven bags and other industrial products.

The 10-year-loans which have a grace period of four years each are managed by Bank Bumiputra Malaysia Bhd., Malayan Banking Bhd., Industrial Bank of Japan, Barclays Bank plc, Kansallis-Osake-Pankki and the Sumitomo Bank Ltd.

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#90351d8350 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 17) - The Belgian central bank on Monday increased the interest rate on short-term treasury certificates from 9.80 per cent to 10.05 per cent in the seventh increase since November 16.

The change, applicable to certificates of one month to three months, is part of a policy introduced early this year linking the franc to the Deutschemark.

Belgium has had to increase its short-term rates in response to an increase in rates in Germany.

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#90351d8370 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LIMA (DEC. 17) - Shining Path rebels shot and killed a ruling party legislator during a party in a Lima suburb, police said Monday.

Alejandro Victoria Mendoza was shot three times in the head around midnight, the police added.

It was the first lethal attack against a Peruvian lawmaker since President Alberto Fujimori took power in July.

Shining Path, which claims allegiance to Maoist ideology, has been fighting Peru's governments since 1980 in a guerrilla war that has left thousands dead.

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#90351d8380 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 17) - Thirty people were killed in clashes between soldiers and communist guerrillas in various parts of the Philippines ov the military said here Monday.

Five communist New People's Army (NPA) rebels were killed in a clash with soldiers in Rosario in the southern province of Agusan del Sur on Saturday, the military said.

In Camarines Norte province, south of here, two NPA rebels were killed and

three other persons wounded in a gunfight with government troops in Goa town on Saturday.

Eleven NPA rebels, four militiamen and two civilians were killed after guerrillas masquerading as paramilitary constables raided a municipal hall in Sogod town in the central province of Cebu.

Six other NPA guerillas were killed in a clash with soldiers at Vintar in the northern province of Ilocos Norte, the military said.

The NPA is the armed wing of the banned Communist Party of the Philippines which has been waging a war against the government for 21 years. It has an estimated 10,000-15,000 fighters nationwide.

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#90351d8550 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 17) - Japan will provide 10.917 billion yen (82 million dollars) in economic aid to Jordan under diplomatic notes exchanged in Amman on Monday, the foreign ministry here said.

The loan, with a 2.9 per cent annual interest rate and a 25-year repayment period, will be used for industry and trade projects, the ministry said.

It is part of the 150 million dollar low-interest loan to Jordan that Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu pledged when he visited the Middle Eastern country in October.

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KUALA LUMPUR (DEC. 17) - Crude palm oil futures enjoyed new record turnover of 3,455 lots of one tonne each on the Kuala Lumpur Commodity E (KLCE) Monday as prices surged on the back of a sharp fall in stocks.

The KLCE said the previous record volume achieved since its revamp in 1985 was 3,174 lots in November last year.

The exchange said prices rose to 881 Malaysian dollars (326 U.S.) a tonne for the current month contract, the highest since June 1989, following reports of a bigger-than-expected drop in palm oil stocks in November.

The Palm Oil Registration and Licensing Authority (PORLA) said Saturday that total palm oil stocks fell 13.36 per cent to 790,463 tonnes in November.

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#90351d8580 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 17) - A fuel tanker crashed and exploded in a northern Indian town Monday, killing eight people and dozens of cattle, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

Sixty people were injured and houses were ravaged, the agency said.

Most of those killed or burned were sleeping in their homes in the town of Gangaur Kheri in Punjab state when the large tanker-truck rolled down a highway and crashed.

Metal or concrete roofs of 60 houses were blown off by the impact of the explosion.

"The explosion was so great that one-fourth of the houses in the (town's) Mandi area collapsed," the news agency said.

Most of the injured were rushed to a hospital in critical condition.

Some 40 bulls, 50 buffaloes, 58 calves and five cows perished in the inferno that lasted through Monday despite attempts by nine fire-fighters to extinguish the flames.

Police said the tanker, belonging to the state-owned Hindustan Petroleum Corp. had been travelling from a refinery in the northern town of Mathura to Jalandhar in Punjab.

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#90351d8810 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RABAT (DEC 17) - Morocco's opposition parties on the left and the right joined forces Monday to urge a probe into wage riots which left a disputed number of dead and wounded in Fez, the former royal capital.

Parliament was to debate the violence later Monday after a statement from Prime Minister Azzedine Laraki. The parties and Morocco's two human rights bodies said there had to be an independent inquiry into the causes of the violence.

On the government side, the independents' bloc condemned "the violence and anarchy" which hit Fez and to a lesser extent Rabat and elsewhere on Friday and Saturday, but added that there should be dialogue "between the authorities and its social partners". Another pro-government grouping said strike action was a legitimate right, but this time there had been "the serious consequences of looting and destruction".

The two central labour unions which called the strike to press for a threefold rise in the monthly minimum wage to compensate for dearer food warned earlier that they would organise another general strike if their claims received no satisfaction.

The General Workers Union and the Democratic Labour Confederation complained that the government was stalling at a time when unemployment and inflation were hitting the most impoverished classes hardest. The violence had erupted in the poorest districts of Fez and Tangiers, they noted.

The unions and opposition parties also accused Mr. Laraki's government of "provocation and manipulation".

Fez was reported calm, but here in the capital youths and security forces clashed overnight again in the working-class district of Yacoub el Mansour.

The unions disputed the official figure of five dead and 127 injured in Fez, where journalists trying to check the toll were barred from hospitals. The chief doctor, Hassan Houari, said the dead were four civilians and a member of the security forces. But union leaders Noubir Amaoui and Abderrazak Afilal insisted there were "dozens of dead and hundreds of wounded" because the army had used machine-guns.

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#90351d9000 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEL AVIV (DEC. 17) - Two guerillas affiliated to the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine were killed Monday in a clash with Israeli troops and their proxy South Lebanon Army, an Israeli military spokesman said.

The clash occurred in the eastern sector of Israel's self-proclaimed security zone running inside the Lebanese border. The spokesman said the guerillas had been wounded in a clash Sunday with troops in which a third comrade had died and two Israelis were injured.

After the two guerillas escaped, Israeli soldiers and units of the Sla carried out widespread searches in the area, eventually killing them in a short firefight, the spokesman said. There were no reported casualties to Israeli or Sla personnel.

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#90351d9060 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GENEVA (DEC. 17) - The Uruguay Round of multilateral trade talks will resume here January 15, trade sources said Monday.

They said the director-general of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), Arthur Dunkel, had called an informal meeting on that date of the Trade Negotiations Committee. No negotiations are planned in the meantime.

The four-year Uruguay Round, aimed at liberalization of world trade, was supposed to end with a ministerial GATT conference in Brussels in early December, but the meeting failed due to unresolved conflicts, particularly over farm trade.

Mr. Dunkel is to travel soon to several capitals, including Washington, primarily to discuss the conflict over agriculture, but the GATT secretariat has been very discreet about the officials he will see during his trip.

A source in the European Community's GATT delegation commented that in view of the situation resulting from the Brussels parley's failure, negotiations here in the meantime might erode prior agreements on non-agricultural trade.

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#90351d9070 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 17) - The Japanese government will release 2.5 million Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp. (NTT) shares to the public over five years starting in fiscal 1991, Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto said Monday.

Out of a total of 15.6 million NTT shares held by the government, 5.4 million have already been released since the Japanese telecommunications giant was put under private management in 1985.

Regulations allow the government to release up to 10.4 million of the total NTT shares to the public. Thus the government can release five million more.

Half the five million will be released over the next five years, with 500,000 shares sold each year, and the remaining 2.5 million will be "frozen" for an unspecified period, Mr. Hashimoto said.

Current regulations bar foreigners from holding NTT shares but the government will study measures to relax the rules, he said.

NTT stocks plunged to the 700,000 yen (5,300 dollars) level on the Tokyo Stock Exchange last September from a peak of 3.18 million yen (24,000 dollars) in 1987.

They were quoted at 1.04 million yen (7,800 dollars) at the close of trading

on the Tokyo market Monday.

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#90351d9130 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (DEC. 17) - Palestinian militants have chosen U.S. targets around the world that are to be attacked in case of aggression against Iraq, Abul Abbas, head of the Palestine Liberation Front (PLF), has warned.

Facilities belonging to other Western nations have also been selected, Abul Abbas told the daily newspaper Al-Jumhuriya.

"Among our targets are U.S. installations and interests all over the world," he said.

"The PLF will fight alongside Iraq in the event of war with the United States, the source of international terrorism."

The group last May claimed responsibility for an aborted landing on an Israeli beach, after which the United States suspended a dialogue with the Palestine Liberation Organization for failing to expel Abul Abbas from its executive committee.

In 1985 the PLF seized the Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro in the Mediterranean, killing an elderly U.S. passenger and throwing his body overboard.

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#90351d9140 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (DEC. 17) - Algerian President Chadli Benjedid, who on Monday completed talks on the Gulf crisis in seven Mideast countries, said he would continue his mediation efforts, the Egyptian news agency Mena reported.

Before leaving the Egyptian capital for home, Benjedid said he might soon meet with Saudi King Fahd. Although no date for talks has been set, Benjedid said a meeting had been arranged in principle.

According to Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak, Benjedid will also travel to Tunisia and Libya. He has already visited Jordan, Iraq, Iran, Oman, Syria and Lebanon in addition to Egypt.

Benjedid said he hoped an Arab dialogue could serve as the basis for a solution to the crisis, ignited by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

At the same time, he spoke out in favour of an international Mideast peace conference.

He said there had to be a ''political link'' but no ''organic link'' between the Gulf crisis and the Palestinian problem because the former was an inter-Arab matter and the latter an Israeli-Arab problem.

The Algerian leader reiterated his country demands that international borders be respected and said his mediation efforts were not on behalf of one side or another.

Mubarak said efforts at a peaceful solution would continue until the last minute. He repeated that an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the return of the exiled Kuwaiti government were prerequisites for such a solution.

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#90351d9150 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 17) - The executive of the European Community (EC) is proposing that favourable arrangements for the importation of U.S. corn and sorghum be extended for a year, community sources said Monday.

The proposal by the EC Commission, sent to the 12 EC governments, was seen as a "gesture of goodwill" aimed at easing transatlantic trade tension.

It will be studied by EC foreign ministers at a meeting here Tuesday, the sources said.

The move was interpreted as being intended to ease the way for solution of several trade disputes and so avoid a new trade war between the EC and the United States.

It came 10 days after tariff-cutting negotiations within the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) were suspended because of disagreement over subsidies to agriculture.

France has already said that it opposes any extension of the corn agreement beyond the first six months of next year.

Under an agreement signed in 1987, which expires at the end of December, the United States is authorised to export annually two million tonnes of corn and 300,000 tonnes of sorghum at reduced rates of duty.

The arrangement was made in compensation for market share lost when Spain and Portugal joined the community.

At the end of November the United States threatened to impose 200 per cent customs duties worth 420 million dollars on imports of EC agricultural products and drinks to compensate for estimated losses if the agreement were not renewed.

The commission has attached conditions to its proposal. The United States would have to suspend the retaliatory measures it has prepared, and the corn dispute "will have to be settled finally" in 1991, community sources said.

In addition, even if no legal link were established with other bilateral trade disputes, the EC gesture should help to solve them, the sources said. The conflicts, particularly those concerning meat and wine, were still "on the table" and experts continued to work on them, they said.

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#90351d9220 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRAZAVlLLE (DEC. 17) - Central Africa's six-nation customs and economic union UDEAC faces collapse because of severe financial problems, Congolese President Denis Sassou-Nguesso warned when he opened what he called "a last chance" summmit Monday.

He urged measures to save the regional grouping and shore up its credibility, suggesting internal changes to adjust UDEAC's operations to its financial possibilities.

The meeting has a budget of 1.8 billion CFA francs (about seven million dollars) for next year before it, but UDEAC has accumulated five billion CFA francs (19 million dollars) in arrears over the past three years because member statesare behind with their dues.

An audit has proposed slashing staff from 387 to 160, and informed sources said a value-added tax and a community integration tax were under consideration.

Union secretary general Ambroise Foalem of Cameroon said the meeting should decide whether to replace the principle of equal participation by basing contributions on each country's gross national product.

The union groups Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Equatorial Guinea and Gabon. President Omar Bongo of Gabon is the only other head of state attending the summit -- the others are represented by ministers.

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#90351d9250 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHARTOUM (DEC. 17) - Sudan and Zaire have agreed to cooperate to register Sudanese refugees who fled to Zaire after the escalation of the war between the government and the Sudan People's Liberation Army (Spla) in Western Equatoria province, southern Sudan.

Brigadier Dominic Kasiano, member of the ruling Revolution Command Council, told the Sudan News Agency (Suna) Monday that the Sudanese team would be based

at the northern Zairean town of Isiro.

He added that a similar arrangement had been made between Sudan and the Central African Republic to register all Sudanese who fled across the border. The brigadier did not say whether there would be repatriation of the refugees after the registration.

No official statistics are yet available but private sources put the estimates at over 10,000 in each of the two countries.

Kasiano returned Sunday from a visit to Zaire and the Central African Republic.

The Spla intensified its attack on Western Equatoria in late November and now claims to control the whole province including the headquarters, Yambio.

The government has made no comment on the Spla claim.

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#90351d9320 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Dresden (DEC. 17) - Beer breweries in western Germany will produce a record 103 million hectolitres of beer this year, ten to eleven per cent over the 1989 level, amid a surge in sales to eastern Germany, a top industry official said here Monday.

German Brewers' Association president Josef Hattig said that the gains had been made at the expense of eastern German brewers, who lost one-third of their sales volume to the West German breweries.

The West German breweries had ''used the opportunities (presented by) the unified German economic region'', Hattig said.

A further factor behind the rise in West German beer production had been that breweries had boarded the ''train of innovation'' by meeting a rising demand for light and non-alcoholic beers, he said. A total of 4 million hectolitres of such beers were produced.

Hattig said eastern German brewers could survive but they must ''quickly become knowledgeable about western know-how and about the variety of types and tastes'' in the beer market.

The 1990 beer production growth has put a stop to the decline or stagnation in West German beer brewing which has gone on since 1976, he said.

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VIENNA (DEC. 17) - Austrian President Kurt Waldheim Monday accepted the

formation of the country's new government, a revival of the ''grand coalition'' of social democrats and conservatives led by Chancellor Franz Vranitzky.

Vranitzky's Socialist Party of Austria (Spa) and the Austrian People's Party (App) of Vice-Chancellor Josef Riegler will share power again for a four-year period following their victory during general elections on October 6.

The Spa then clinched 80 seats in the 183-seat National Council, or parliament and the App won 60 seats. The opposition right-wing Freedom Party of Austria got 33 seats and the ecological Greens ten.

The two ruling coalition parties will nominate each two state ministers and seven ministers, while the justice minister would be an independent.

Before Waldheim gave the new government his blessing, the Spa and the App agreed to reform electoral laws, the tax system and the state-owned Austrian Federal Railways.

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Lusaka (DEC. 17) - President Kenneth Kaunda Monday signed a constitution amendment bill allowing formation of other political parties, ending 17 years of one-party rule.

''Today I am signing bills that are going to change the political structure of the nation from one party to multi-party,'' the president said at a briefing here. ''Those who want to form small political parties are welcome.''

Kaunda dismissed the idea of having an interim government during the transition period saying, ''Unip (United National Independence Party) is a democratically elected government. We will be in power until October 1991 (when elections are held).''

He warned that he would not tolerate violent campaigns.

Reacting to Kaunda's remarks, the Movement for Multi-party Democracy (mmd) chairman, Arthur Wina, said, ''They (the ruling party) are threatening violence indirectly. They are playing with a dangerous situation.

''The patience of pluralists has been stretched too far. We are in institutions, we are in factories, we are in the university, we are in the army. This is a very dangerous force to fight.''

The Mmd, which has retained its name as a newly-formed political party, has said it would give priority to an open market economy, privatisation, local government and parliament, in adoption of its draft republican and party constitutions Tuesday.

Meanwhile, the registrar of societies, George Chaila, told the German Press Agency (dpa) the registration of parties may take a long time.

''There is no estimated time. It will depend on how long police investigations will take,'' Chaila said.

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#90351d9880 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (DEC 17) - Algerian President Chadli Bendjedid arrived in Tripoli Monday, the official Libyan JANA news agency said in a dispatch monitored here.

Mr. Chadli, who flew in from Cairo, was also expected late Monday in Tunis, at the end of an Arab peace mission to avert war in the Gulf, Algerian diplomats in Tunis said.

He is expected to meet his Tunisian counterpart Zine el-Abdine ben Ali whom he had consulted by telephone before embarking on his trip.

The Algerian president said earlier in Cairo that a completely Arab solution in the Gulf was not likely, adding that he could travel to Saudi Arabia on a second tour in the next few days or weeks.

In a statement before leaving the Egyptian capital he stressed that Algerian diplomatic efforts were intended to seek a formula for a peaceful resolution to the crisis, sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The Algerian leader said he was convinced that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was interested in talks with the United States.

A U.S.-Iraqi dialogue proposed by President George Bush is now in doubt, with the two sides bickering over dates.

Mr. Chadli has already visited Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq, Iran and Oman on what had originally been described as a mission to secure an Arab-brokered settlement in the Gulf, notably through a Saudi-Iraq summit.

But he acknowledged Sunday in Damascus that only an "international solution" was now feasible.

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#90351d9940 12/17/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 17) - The Paris Bourse gave way on Monday to discouragement about the Gulf situation and the U.S. economy, operators said, and the CAC-40 stock price index lost 1.79 per cent on the day to finish at 1,606.23.

The index was off a hefty 1.42 per cent at the opening, and down more than two per cent in the early afternoon, before recovering a bit of ground.

The loss means that the December trading month, which finishes on Tuesday, has a net loss of 2.04 per cent to date.

Since last January 1, stock prices have dropped by 19.73 per cent.

Investors are also concerned about the prospects of the French economy, which risks stagnation, according to Bourse experts. Business profitability is declining, and companies are already reducing investments.

Trading was active on Monday in Suez, with 511,000 shares changing hands. The stock was off 1.1 per cent at the close, to 302.20 francs (about 60 dollars).

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#90351e0005 12/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Lima (DEC. 17) EFE - Peruvian Prime Minister Juan Carlos Hurtado Miller has announced adjustments in the country's anti-inflation austerity plan which will send the price of fuel soaring by more than 50 per cent.

Hurtado, who is also economy and finance minister, made the announcement Sunday on television just hours before traveling to Washington for talks with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) aimed at improving relations with the international financial community.

The original austerity plan introduced August 8 has already led to 300 per cent hikes in the price of bread and milk and a 3,000 per cent rise in the price of gasoline, causing considerable hardship in a country where 55 per cent of the population - some 12 million people - live in extreme poverty.

The latest price rises, the first since August, will affect the cost of gasoline, domestic gas and kerosene, and are due to increase prices by more than 50 per cent, Hurtado said Sunday.

The hikes were aimed at bringing an extra dlrs 400 million per year into the coffers of the state-run petroleum company PETROPERU, which is currently running a monthly deficit of dlrs 31 million, Hurtado said.

The cost of electricity will also rise, the prime minister added.

Hurtado said in January he would announce the privatization of specific state-run companies and cuts in the state bureaucracy which currently employs around one million people.

Inflation for November was 5.9 per cent, Hurtado said, down from 397 per cent in August.

He predicted that christmas spending and the latest adjustment measures would send inflation up again in December and January, but it would begin to fall in February.

President Alberto Fujimori is anxious to improve Peru's relations with the international financial community and has encouraged the resumption of talks with the IMF.

Fujimori, who took office in July, has pledged to resume interest payments on the dlrs 20 billion foreign debt after five years of isolation caused by the decision of former president Alan Garcia to limit debt payments to 10 per cent of export earnings.

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#90351e0012 12/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

London (DEC. 17) EFE - The last two British diplomats in Kuwait have left their posts and are to return to London soon, the Foreign Office said Monday.

Ambassador Michael Weston and consul Larry Banks arrived in Baghdad from Kuwait late Sunday, four months after the Iraqi government ordered all embassies in Kuwait to close and foreign diplomats to leave the emirate.

Iraqi authorities had cut off water and electricity supplies to the diplomatic missions to force them to shut.

A Foreign Office spokesman said the two diplomats were ordered out because there were hardly any Britons left in Kuwait after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein allowed all foreign hostages to go home earlier this month.

Some 40 Britons have decided to stay on in Kuwait but the British government has let them know through BBC World Service radio broadcasts that it is now in no position to help them.

The spokesman said that the diplomats' withdrawal did not mean that Britain recognized the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

U.S. ambassador to Kuwait Nathaniel Howell arrived home on Friday after defying Iraq for months and keeping his embassy open.

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#90351e0030 12/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Guatemala City (DEC. 17) EFE - Five people travelling in two vehicles died when guerrillas blew up a bridge early Monday, Guatemalan police said.

First reports said that a private car and trailer had been crossing the bridge

over the River Moca, close to the town of Rio Bravo in western Guatemala, when it was destroyed by dynamite.

Although no group claimed responsibility for the attack, the leftist Guatemalan National Revolutionary Union (URNG) rebel umbrella group is known to be active in the region.

The URNG has been involved in a series of talks in search of a peace formula, with opposition groups, the Roman Catholic Church, and business and social groups.

Meanwhile, in Guatemala City a bomb exploded close to police headquarters, damaging surrounding property. There were no reports of injuries.

More than 100,000 people have died in political violence in Guatemala since the rebels took up arms three decades ago.

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#90351e0035 12/17/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (DEC. 17) EFE - Share prices on the Madrid stock exchange slipped Monday with the general index down 4.24 to close at 233.99 points.

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#90351h0029 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CANBERRA (DEC. 17) XINHUA - EGYPT'S NATIONAL AIRLINE, EGYPTAIR, WILL BEGIN TWICE-WEEKLY SERVICES TO AUSTRALIA FROM NEXT OCTOBER, TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER KIM BEAZLEY ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY.

BEAZLEY SAID THAT THE SERVICES WOULD BE THE FIRST DIRECT FLIGHTS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES SINCE THE EARLY 1970S WHEN QANTAS, AUSTRALIA'S INTERNATIONAL AIRLINE, STOPPED ITS FLIGHTS TO EGYPT.

EGYPTAIR WILL FLY TWICE A WEEK FROM EGYPT TO SYDNEY VIA SINGAPORE WITH MODERN BOEING 767 AIRCRAFT, HE ADDED.

THE NEW SERVICES WERE AGREED TO DURING RECENT TALKS IN CAIRO BETWEEN AVIATION OFFICIALS OF THE TWO NATIONS.

BEAZLEY NOTED IN A STATEMENT THAT A NEW AIR SERVICES AGREEMENT TO REPLACE THE ORIGINAL 1952 AVIATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES HAD BEEN RECOMMENDED.

"THE CONCLUSION OF THE UPDATED AVIATION TREATY AND THE COMMENCEMENT OF SERVICES TO AUSTRALIA BY EGYPTAIR WILL BE SEEN AS THE START OF A NEW PHASE IN THE LONG AVIATION RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN EGYPT AND AUSTRALIA," BEAZLEY SAID.

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#90351h0035 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
YANGON (DEC. 17) XINHUA - PE THEIN, MYANMAR MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND FOR HEALTH, SAID ON SUNDAY THAT UNIVERSITIES WILL BE REOPENED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

THE MINISTER MADE THE REMARKS WHEN HE WAS HOLDING DISCUSSIONS WITH OFFICIALS OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN MAGWAY, MIDDLE MYANMAR, SUNDAY.

HE SAID, "SCHOOLS HAVE BEEN OPENED AS THE SITUATION HAS IMPROVED AND IN THE NEAR FUTURE, UNIVERSITIES WILL BE REOPENED."

MORE THAN 36,000 PRIMARY, MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTRY WERE REOPENED LAST YEAR.

AN OFFICIAL SOURCE SAID UNIVERSITIES, INSTITUTES AND COLLEGES IN SOME MYANMAR CITIES INCLUDING PATHEIN, PYAY, TAUNGGYI AND MAWLAMYING WILL BE THE FIRST TO BE REOPENED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

THERE ARE ABOUT 100 UNIVERSITIES, INSTITUTES AND COLLEGES IN MYANMAR. THESE WERE CLOSED IN JUNE, 1988, IN THE HEIGHT OF THE STUDENTS' MOVEMENT.

GRADUATING CLASSES OF THE NATION'S FOUR MEDICAL INSTITUTES WERE REOPENED LAST OCTOBER.

ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER THE WORKING PEOPLE'S DAILY, ANTI-GOVERNMENT MOVEMENTS HAVE OCCURRED AT SCHOOLS, ESPECIALLY IN YANGON AND MANDALAY, AFTER THE MAY-27 GENERAL ELECTION THIS YEAR.

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#90351h0036 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 17) XINHUA - THE 4TH CONGRESS OF PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES OF THE SOVIET UNION OPENED HERE TODAY, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO DISCUSS A REPORT BY PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV ON THE CURRENT SITUATION AND WAYS TO TACKLE THE CRISIS OF THE COUNTRY, TASS NEWS AGENCY REPORTED.

PRESIDENT OF THE SUPREME SOVIET OF THE SOVIET UNION (PARLIAMENT SPEAKER) ANATOLY LUKYANOV, WHO CHAIRED THIS MORNING'S SESSION, SAID THE ONGOING CONGRESS WAS CONVENED AT A TIME WHEN THE COUNTRY WAS FACING ITS MOST DIFFICULT AND COMPLICATED SITUATION.

THE 1,900 PARTICIPANTS OF THE CONGRESS, INCLUDING GORBACHEV AND PRIME MINISTER NIKOLAI RYZHKOV, WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE DRAFT OF A NEW UNION TREATY AND THE WAY IN WHICH THE TREATY MAY BE ADOPTED DURING THE 10-DAY MEETING.

THE CONGRESS, THE SUPREME BODY OF STATE AUTHORITY IN THE SOVIET UNION, ALSO

PLANNED TO DEBATE ON AND ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION AND SEVERAL BILLS, AS WELL AS MAKE SOME CHANGES IN PARLIAMENTARY DEPUTIES, TASS ADDED.

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#90351h0037 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC. 17) XINHUA - PAKISTAN POLICE LAST SATURDAY SEIZED 16 KILOGRAMS OF HEROIN AND ARRESTED TWO DRUG PEDLARS FOR SMUGGLING IN KARACHI.

ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING HERE TODAY, THE POLICE RAIDED THE DEN AT FAQUIR MOHAMMAD DURRANHHAN ROAD AND ARRESTED THE TWO DRUG PEDLARS ON THE SPOT WHEN THEY WERE BUSY WITH PACKING THE DRUG FOR SMUGGLING ABROAD.

THE ARREST CAME IN THE WAKE OF A RECENT DIRECTIVE OF THE SIND PROVINCIAL MINISTER LIAQUAT JATOI THAT NO LENIENCE BE SHOWN TO ANY DRUG SMUGGLER HOW HIGH AND INFLUENTIAL HE MAY BE.

DRUG SMUGGLING AND DRUG ADDICTION HAVE CREATED SERIOUS PROBLEMS IN PAKISTAN WITH ADDICTS REACHING ABOUT 2.2 MILLION.

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#90351h0040 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

FUZHOU (DEC. 17) XINHUA - THE FOREIGN TRADE EXPORT VALUE OF EAST CHINA'S FUJIAN PROVINCE IS EXPECTED TO REACH 1.9 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS THIS YEAR, A 14 PERCENT INCREASE OVER 1989.

BY THE MIDDLE OF SEPTEMBER, THE PROVINCE'S FOREIGN TRADE EXPORT VOLUME HAD REACHED 1.283 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS, FULFILLING THIS YEAR'S STATE SET TARGET 110 DAYS AHEAD OF TIME.

MEANWHILE, FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN THE PROVINCE HAS ALSO INCREASED RAPIDLY. DURING THE FOREIGN INVESTMENT TRADE SEMINAR HELD IN XIAMEN IN SEPTEMBER, ABOUT 723 FOREIGN INVESTMENT PROJECTS WERE SIGNED. THESE PROJECTS INVOLVE A TOTAL INVESTMENT OF 1.36 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS, WITH 1.04 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS COMING FROM FOREIGN INVESTORS.

IN ADDITION, IN THE FIRST TEN MONTHS THIS YEAR, THE PROVINCE APPROVED 315 TAIWAN-FUNDED PROJECTS. AT PRESENT, TAIWAN INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS FOR 58 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL OVERSEAS INVESTMENT.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT TOTAL FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN FUJIAN WILL REACH 470 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS THIS YEAR, MORE THAN DOUBLE THE YEAR'S TARGET.

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#90351h0041 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TIRANA (DEC. 17) XINHUA - CHINA AND ALBANIA SIGNED HERE TODAY A PROTOCOL

APPROVING THE EXCHANGE OF GOODS AND PAYMENT BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN 1991.

GU MAOXUAN, HEAD OF THE CHINESE TRADE DELEGATION AND ALSO CHINESE AMBASSADOR TO ALBANIA, AND KOSTANDIN HOXHA, ALBANIAN DEPUTY MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE, SIGNED THE PROTOCOL ON BEHALF OF THEIR OWN GOVERNMENTS.

ALBANIAN FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER SHAN KORBECI ATTENDED THE SIGNING CEREMONY.

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#90351h0042 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WELLINGTON (DEC. 17) XINHUA - NEW ZEALAND'S TRADE WITH FIJI HAS BOOMED DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS, WITH A SLIGHT BALANCE IN NEW ZEALAND'S FAVOR.

DURING THE LATEST YEAR TO JUNE, NEW ZEALAND IMPORTED FROM FIJI GOODS WORTH 138.6 MILLION N.Z. DOLLARS (83.2 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), MAKING UP ALMOST 70 PERCENT OF ALL IMPORTS FROM THE SOUTH PACIFIC, ACCORDING TO THE NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS AND TRADE.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE MAY 1987 MILITARY COUPS, FIJI'S EXPORTS TO NEW ZEALAND FELL MARKEDLY TO JUST 18 MILLION (LESS THAN 10 RPT 10 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FOR JUNE 1988. HOWEVER, IN THE PAST TWO YEARS, FIJI'S EXPORTS TO NEW ZEALAND HAVE BOUNCED BACK AND REACHED RECORDS.

THE LARGEST ITEM NEW ZEALAND IMPORTS FROM FIJI IS CLOTHING, VALUED AT 51.4 MILLION N.Z. DOLLARS (31 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FOR THE YEAR 1990, ALMOST DOUBLE THAT OF 1989. THE OTHER MAJOR ITEMS ARE GOLD AND SUGAR.

NEW ZEALAND'S EXPORTS TO FIJI FOR THE LATEST YEAR ARE WORTH 147 MILLION N.Z. DOLLARS, PUTTING NEW ZEALAND AT ONLY A SLIGHT ADVANTAGE IN THE TRADE BALANCE AFTER MANY YEARS WHEN THE BALANCE WAS HEAVILY IN NEW ZEALAND'S FAVOR.

NEW ZEALAND'S MAIN EXPORTS TO FIJI ARE MINERALS AND MINERAL FUELS, FOLLOWED BY WOOD, PULP AND PAPER PRODUCTS.

FIJI IS ENJOYING HIGH RATES OF ECONOMIC GROWTH AND OPENING UP ITS DOMESTIC MARKET TO COMPETITION, GIVING NEW ZEALAND COMPANIES THE CHANCE TO INCREASE EXPORTS TO THE COUNTRY, THE MINISTRY SAID.

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#90351h0046 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 17) XINHUA - INDIA WILL BUY TWO MILLION TONS OF CRUDE OIL FROM THE WORLD SPOT MARKET IN ADDITION TO THE 1.5 MILLION TONS BEING IMPORTED EVERY MONTH.

AS A RESULT, CRUDE IMPORTS DURING THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR WILL TOUCH 20 MILLION TONS AGAINST THE 18 MILLION TONS ENVISAGED IN THE ORIGINAL OIL ECONOMY

BUDGET, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL SOURCES HERE TODAY.

PETROLEUM MINISTRY OFFICIALS EXPLAINED THE SPOT PURCHASES WOULD ALLOW REPLENISHMENT OF RESERVES WHICH HAD DEPLETED IN RECENT MONTHS.

NORMALLY, 45 DAYS' STOCK OF CRUDE AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IS MAINTAINED AS STRATEGIC RESERVES.

APART FROM ADDITIONAL CRUDE IMPORTS, THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT ALSO PROPOSED TO IMPORT ABOUT 0.66 MILLION TONS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS EVERY MONTH FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR (ENDING MARCH 31, 1991), THE SOURCES SAID.

WITH THESE PURCHASES, THE GOVERNMENT HOPES DOMESTIC REQUIREMENT FOR PRODUCTS LIKE KEROSENE AND DIESEL IS EXPECTED TO BE MET.

THE DECISION TO GO IN FOR ADDITIONAL PURCHASES FROM THE SPOT MARKET HAS BEEN HASTENED BY THE PREVAILING EASY TREND IN OIL PRICES. PRICES REPORTEDLY HAVE DIPPED FROM 34 DOLLARS PER BARREL TO BETWEEN 22 AND 25 DOLLARS PER BARREL OVER THE LAST TWO WEEKS.

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#90351h0048 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISTANBUL (DEC. 17) XINHUA - TURKEY'S FOREIGN TRADE DEFICIT WAS MORE THAN DOUBLED IN THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, REACHING 7. 6 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS, LOCAL NEWSPAPERS REPORTED TODAY.

THIS REPRESENTED A 109 PERCENT INCREASE OVER 3.62 BILLION DOLLARS FOR THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

ACCORDING TO THE TURKISH STATE INSTITUTE OF STATISTICS (SIS), IMPORT IN THE JANUARY-OCTOBER PERIOD TOTALLED 17.5 BILLION DOLLARS, UP 37.9 PERCENT. EXPORT, HOWEVER, ROSE BY MERELY 4.7 PERCENT.

EXPERTS ATTRIBUTE THE GROWING TRADE DEFICIT TO LACK OF GOVERNMENT INCENTIVES TO THE EXPORT SECTOR.

EARLY THIS YEAR, THE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED A SCHEME TO REDUCE THE TAXES ON ALMOST ALL IMPORTED ITEMS.

EXPERTS THEN URGED THE GOVERNMENT TO RENEW THOSE EXPORT- ORIENTED POLICES ABANDONED DUE TO RELIANCE ON THE BALANCE OF PAYMENT SURPLUS OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS.

BUT FAILURE OF THE GOVERNMENT TO COMPLY, PLUS A 50 PERCENT INFLATION, HAS CAUSED THE TRADE DEFICIT TO SNOWBALL, SAID THE EXPORTS.

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#90351h0056 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LUSAKA (DEC. 17) XINHUA - ZAMBIA IS TO DONATE 20,000 BAGS OF MAIZE TO FLOODS AND FAMINE VICTIMS IN SOUTHERN TANZANIA, ZAMBIA DAILY MAIL REPORTED TODAY.

THE MAIZE CONSIGNMENT HAS ALREADY BEEN SHIPPED TO THE EAST AFRICAN COUNTRY AND WILL BE HANDED OVER TO THE TANZANIAN GOVERNMENT TODAY BY ZAMBIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER TO TANZANIA A. AKAPELWA.

THE TANZANIAN MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, EDWARD LOWASSA IS EXPECTED TO RECEIVE THE MAIZE CONSIGNMENT ON BEHALF OF DAR ES SALAAM.

A ZAMBIAN DIPLOMAT SAID THE MAIZE DONATION FROM THE ZAMBIAN PEOPLE IS AN ACT OF SOLIDARITY WITH THEIR TANZANIAN BROTHERS IN CASE OF NATURAL DISASTERS.

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#90351h0074 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
HAIKOU (DEC. 17) XINHUA - THE NANHAI (SOUTH CHINA SEA) PETROLEUM CORPORATION AND THE BP PETROLEUM CORPORATION OF BRITAIN RECENTLY COMPLETED A SURVEY OF SURFACE PETROLEUM INDICATIONS NEAR HAINAN ISLAND IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA. THROUGH SONAR SCANNING, SATELLITE POSITIONING AND OTHER UP-TO-DATE METHODS THE TWO CORPORATIONS ACCURATELY IDENTIFIED 73 OIL AND GAS PROSPECTS, AND OBTAINED 17 NATURAL GAS SAMPLES FROM FOUR MAJOR DISTRICTS AND 31 ROCK CORES FROM THE SEA BED.

THE SURVEY BEGAN IN THE MIDDLE OF NOVEMBER THIS YEAR.

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#90351h0080 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
MANILA (DEC. 17) XINHUA - JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU IS SCHEDULED TO VISIT THE PHILIPPINES BETWEEN JANUARY 16 AND 18 NEXT YEAR AS PART OF HIS SOUTHEAST ASIA FAMILIARIZATION, JAPANESE AMBASSADOR HERE SAID.

THE PHILIPPINE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (PAP) WILL TOP THE AGENDA OF DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN KAIFU AND PHILIPPINE PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO, THE AMBASSADOR, TOSHIO GOTO, TOLD REPORTERS HERE.

JAPAN WAS THE TOP DONOR IN LAST YEAR'S PAP WITH ALMOST TWO BILLION U.S. DOLLARS CONTRIBUTION IN GRANTS AND LOANS. IT IS EXPECTED TO BE AGAIN THE NUMBER ONE PAP CONTRIBUTOR IN THE NEXT PLEDGING SESSION.

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#90351h0084 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
KATHMANDU (DEC. 17) XINHUA - NEPAL AND INDIA HERE TODAY REACHED AN AGREEMENT UNDER WHICH A BRIDGE ON THE SIRSIYA RIVER ON THE BORDER BETWEEN INDIA AND

SOUTHERN NEPAL WILL BE BUILT.

THE THREE-SPAN BRIDGE WILL BE 60 METERS LONG AND 10 METERS WIDE, INCLUDING 2.5 METER-WIDE FOOT PATHS ON EITHER SIDES. THERE WILL BE A NARROW GAUGE RAILWAY LINE OVER ITS DECK.

CONNECTING BIRGANJ, NEPAL, AND RAXUAL, INDIA, THE BRIDGE WILL BE VITAL FOR THE MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE, GOODS AND VEHICLES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AFTER COMPLETION WITHIN 18 MONTHS.

THE COST OF THE BRIDGE IS ESTIMATED AT 30 MILLION INDIAN RUPEES (1.78 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS). NEPAL'S SHARE WILL BE PROVIDED BY INDIA AS A GRANT ASSISTANCE.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE BRIDGE IS COVERED BY GUIDELINES AGREED UPON BY THE TWO COUNTRIES IN SEPTEMBER, 1988, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF BRIDGES ACROSS THEIR BORDER.

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#90351h0089 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LIMA (DEC. 17) XINHUA - PERU'S PROVED ANTHRACITE COAL RESERVES IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF CAJAMARCA, LA LIBERTAD, ANCASH AND LIMA TOTAL 120 MIILION METRIC TONS.

ACCORDING TO A STUDY ON COAL USE PUBLISHED BY "JUNCTURE AND ANALYSIS", A MAGAZINE SPECIALIZED IN ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT, ANTHRACITE CAN BE USED TO REPLACE PETROLEUM AND ITS BY-PRODUCTS TO FUEL LIME AND CALCINATION OVENS, CAULDRONS AND DRYERS IN THE FISHING INDUSTRY AND SUGAR CANE CAULDRONS AND TO GENERATE STEAM TO PRODUCE ELECTRICITY FOR OTHER INDUSTRIAL USE.

THE SUBSTITUTION OF OIL BY COAL WILL ENABLE PERU TO SAVE AT LEAST 200 MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR.

SENATE PETROLEUM AND MINING COMMITTEE HEAD JUAN INCHAUSTEGUI STRESSED THE NEED TO STEP UP COAL MINING AND USE IT AS A SOURCE OF ENERGY TO REPLACE PETROLEUM, KEROSENE AND GAS FOR NATIONAL INDUSTRY.

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#90351h0153 12/17/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LIMA (DEC. 17) XINHUA - FORMER POLISH PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE STANISLAV TYMINSKY ARRIVED THIS MORNING HERE WITH HIS PERUVIAN-BORN WIFE AND THREE CHILDREN TO SPEND THE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS IN THE CITY OF IQUITOS IN THE NORTHERN DEPARTMENT OF LORETO.

TYMINSKY HAS THE POLISH, CANADIAN AND PERUVIAN NATIONALITIES. HE LIVED IN IQUITOS SEVERAL YEARS AGO AND MARRIED PERUVIAN NATIONAL GRACIELA PEREZ VELASCO.

IN A BRIEF STATEMENT TO THE PRESS UPON HIS ARRIVAL AT THE LIMA AIRPORT, TYMINSKY SAID THAT HIS PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN IN POLAND HAD BEEN A SUCCESS DESPITE HIS LOSS TO SOLIDARITY UNION LEADER LECH WALESA.

HE DECLARED THAT HE WOULD RETURN TO POLAND AT THE BEGINNING OF NEXT YEAR TO STAND TRIAL FOR ALLEGED INSULTS AGAINST THE POLISH PRIME MINISTER.

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#90351k0054 12/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NAGOYA (DEC. 17) KYODO - TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. ANNOUNCED MONDAY A BULLISH MARKETING PLAN CALLING FOR DOMESTIC SALES OF 2.6 MILLION AUTOMOBILES IN 1991, UP FROM AN ESTIMATED 2.5 MILLION THIS YEAR.

THE SALES TARGET, REPRESENTING A 4 PERCENT INCREASE FROM THE 1990 ESTIMATE, DEMONSTRATES TOYOTA'S STRONG DESIRE TO BOOST ITS MARKET SHARE. THE COMPANY FORECASTS THE JAPANESE AUTO MARKET WILL GROW AT A SLOWER PACE OF ROUGHLY 2 PERCENT IN THE COMING YEAR.

TOYOTA IS AIMING TO SCORE RECORD DOMESTIC SALES FOR THE EIGHTH STRAIGHT YEAR UNDER ITS PLAN, ALTHOUGH THE PACE OF GROWTH WOULD SLOW FROM THE 8 PERCENT GAIN ENVISAGED FOR 1990.

TOYOTA EXPECTS THE MARKETING PLAN TO BRING ITS MARKET SHARE UP TO 42.6 PERCENT IN 1991, A LEVEL EQUIVALENT TO THAT SEEN IN 1988. ANALYSTS SAY TOYOTA IS CERTAIN TO RAISE ITS SHARE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THREE YEARS TO 41.7 PERCENT IN 1990.

TURNING TO OVERSEAS MARKETS, TOYOTA PLANS TO BOOST ITS EXPORTS BY 6 PERCENT TO 1.78 MILLION IN 1991 FROM AN ESTIMATED 1.68 MILLION IN 1990, UP 1 PERCENT FROM 1989.

TOYOTA IS COUNTING ON STRONG DEMAND IN ASIA, LATIN AMERICA, AND CANADA. WITH REGARD TO PRODUCTION AT ITS PLANT IN GEORGETOWN, KENTUCKY, TOYOTA EXPECTS THE 2-YEAR-OLD FACILITY TO TURN OUT 680,000 AUTOS THIS YEAR, A 45 PERCENT SURGE FROM THE YEAR BEFORE, AS THE FACTORY HAS BEGUN FULL-CAPACITY PRODUCTION.

FOR 1991, TOYOTA EXPECTS PRODUCTION AT THE U.S. PLANT TO GO UP 2 PERCENT TO 690,000 AUTOS.

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#90351k0056 12/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

BANGKOK (DEC. 17) KYODO - MALAYSIAN KING PADUKA BAGINDA AND QUEEN TUANKU BAINUN ARRIVED IN BANGKOK ON MONDAY FOR A FIVE-DAY STATE VISIT AS GUESTS OF THAI KING BHUMIBOL ADULYADEJ AND QUEEN SIRIKIT.

THE VISIT IS THE MALAYSIAN MONARCH'S FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT TO THAILAND SINCE HE

BECAME THE NINTH MALAYSIAN KING LAST YEAR.

DURING THEIR STAY IN THAILAND, THE MALAYSIAN ROYAL COUPLE ARE TO VISIT THAILAND'S EASTERN SEABOARD INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN CHONBURI AND RAYONG PROVINCE AND THE THAI KING'S RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN CHIENG-MAI PROVINCE.

KING PADUKA BAGINDA WILL ALSO BE AWARDED AN HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREE FROM CHULALONGKORN UNIVERSITY, THAILAND'S OLDEST UNIVERSITY, ON WEDNESDAY.

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TOKYO (DEC. 17) KYODO - MORE THAN 1,600 MEMBERS OF THE JAPANESE IMPERIAL ARMY DIED IN MONGOLIAN PRISONER OF WAR CAMPS FOLLOWING WORLD WAR II, THE PRESIDENT OF THE MONGOLIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY TOLD A SYMPOSIUM HERE MONDAY.

ADDRESSING A MEETING ON JAPANESE PRISONERS OF WAR IN MONGOLIA, N. SHURA REVEALED FOR THE FIRST TIME THAT OUT OF 12,318 JAPANESE IN MONGOLIAN CAMPS AFTER THE WAR, 1,615 DIED DURING THEIR INTERNMENT.

THE MONGOLIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY AND MEMBERS OF THE ALL-JAPAN FORMER INTERNEES ASSOCIATION, A VETERANS' GROUP SEEKING COMPENSATION FOR THE PRISONERS OF WAR, CONCLUDED THE SYMPOSIUM BY SIGNING A AGREEMENT TO HAND OVER A ROSTER OF THE PRISONERS OF WAR AND ARRANGE VISITS TO THE GRAVE SITES OF THOSE WHO DIED IN DETENTION.

ACCORDING TO SHURA'S PRESENTATION, THE JAPANESE PRISONERS OF WAR WERE BROUGHT INTO MONGOLIA FROM THE SOVIET UNION AT THE END OF 1945 AND INTERNED IN 16 DIFFERENT PRISONER OF WAR CAMPS, WHERE THEY WORKED IN CONSTRUCTION AND LUMBERING.

IN OCTOBER 1947, SOME 10,705 WERE RETURNED TO THE SOVIET UNION, REPORTED SHURA ADDING THAT THERE ARE THREE GRAVESITES FOR THE JAPANESE DEAD, INCLUDING ONE IN ULAN BATOR.

SHURA SAID THAT ALTHOUGH RECORDS OF THE DECEASED SOLDIERS LIST 1,615 DEATHS, CALCULATIONS BASED ON THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS DELIVERED FROM AND RETURNED TO THE SOVIET UNION INDICATE THAT 1,613 JAPANESE PRISONERS DIED IN MONGOLIA.

SHURA SAID THE MAIN MATERIALS ON THE JAPANESE INTERNMENT ARE IN THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES IN MONGOLIA, WHERE THEY ARE STILL BEING UNCOVERED.

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TOKYO (DEC. 17) KYODO - JAPAN AND CHINA WILL SIGN A FINAL AGREEMENT TUESDAY TO EXTEND THEIR BILATERAL TRADE ACCORD, DUE TO EXPIRE AT THE END OF THIS YEAR,

BY FIVE YEARS, INFORMED SOURCES SAID MONDAY.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT, JAPAN WILL EXPORT 8 BILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF PLANTS AND EQUIPMENT TO CHINA DURING THE FIVE-YEAR PERIOD, UP SHARPLY FROM 5.1 BILLION DOLLARS SHIPPED TO THE COUNTRY BETWEEN 1978 AND 1990.

THE VOLUME OF COAL IMPORTS FROM CHINA IS ALSO SET TO RISE UNDER THE ACCORD.

THE LONG-TERM TRADE PACT, WHICH WAS LAUNCHED TO STEP UP JAPANESE PLANT EXPORTS TO CHINA, AS WELL AS IMPORTS OF CRUDE OIL AND COAL FROM CHINA, WAS EXTENDED IN 1979 TO 1990.

UNDER THE LATEST ARRANGEMENT, ANNUAL OIL EXPORTS FROM CHINA'S DAQING OIL FIELDS WILL REMAIN AT THE CURRENT LEVEL OF 8.8-9.3 MILLION TONS, WHILE COKING COAL WILL RISE FROM 1.4-1.6 MILLION TONS TO 1.4-1.8 MILLION TONS.

IMPORTED STEAMING COAL WILL RISE FROM THE PRESENT 2.3-2.5 MILLION TON LEVEL TO 2.5-3.5 MILLION TONS.

JAPAN WILL INCREASE BY 16 THE NUMBER OF CHINESE CORPORATIONS ELIGIBLE TO IMPORT PLANTS FROM JAPAN.

RYOICHI KAWAI, CHAIRMAN OF THE JAPAN-CHINA LONG-TERM TRADE COMMITTEE, A PRIVATE TRADE PROMOTION ORGANIZATION, WILL ATTEND THE FORMAL SIGNING OF THE TRADE ACCORD WITH THE CHINESE DELEGATION LED BY SHEN JUEREN, A VICE MINISTER OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS AND TRADE.

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TOKYO (DEC. 17) KYODO - THE NATIONAL DIET ON MONDAY APPROVED A 2,281 BILLION YEN SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET FOR FISCAL 1990, ENDING NEXT MARCH 31.

THE BUDGET CONTAINS 130 BILLION YEN, ABOUT 1 BILLION DOLLARS, IN FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE U.S.-DOMINANT MULTINATIONAL FORCES IN THE PERSIAN GULF.

THIS WILL COMPLETE JAPAN'S PAYMENT OF THE 2 BILLION DOLLARS IN AID TO THE FORCES ARRAYED AGAINST IRAQ IT PROMISED IN AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER.

THE OPPOSITION-CONTROLLED HOUSE OF COUNCILLORS VOTED DOWN THE BUDGET, WHICH THE MORE POWERFUL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES APPROVED LAST THURSDAY.

THE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET BECAME LAW AFTER REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO CHAMBERS MET TO DISCUSS THEIR DIFFERENCES BUT FAILED TO REACH AGREEMENT.

UNDER THE CONSTITUTION, A LOWER CHAMBER BUDGET DECISION ''SHALL BE THE DECISION OF THE DIET'' WHEN THE TWO HOUSES CANNOT AGREE.

THE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ALSO PROVIDES 627.8 BILLION YEN IN SPENDING FOR DISASTER RELIEF, 459.3 BILLION YEN IN WAGE HIKES FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, AND 56.8 BILLION YEN IN SUPPORT FOR OPERATORS OF SMALL RETAIL STORES.

WITH THE 2,281 BILLION YEN ADDED, JAPAN'S FISCAL 1990 BUDGET WILL SWELL TO 68,517.8 BILLION YEN.

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TOKYO (DEC. 17) KYODO - YASUDA FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE CO. ANNOUNCED ON MONDAY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A JOINT INSURANCE FIRM IN THE PHILIPPINES WITH PRUDENTIAL GUARANTEE AND ASSURANCE (PGA).

PGA YASUDA INSURANCE WILL START BUSINESS IN JANUARY. THE NEW COMPANY WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 20 MILLION PESOS, 40 PERCENT OF WHICH WILL BE PROVIDED BY YASUDA AND THE BALANCE BY PGA.

YASUDA SAID THE AIM IS TO PROMOTE INSURANCE SERVICES TO JAPANESE-AFFILIATED ENTERPRISES IN THE PHILIPPINES.

IT IS THE SECOND JOINT INSURANCE SUBSIDIARY TO BE CREATED IN THE PHILIPPINES BY YASUDA. THE FIRST WAS PEOPLE'S TRANSEAST, SET UP IN 1981 WITH THE PHILIPPINE INSURANCE FIRM MERCANTILE.

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#90351k0074 12/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 17) KYODO - MITSUBISHI BANK ON MONDAY OPENED A NEW OFFICE IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA, OF ITS NEW YORK BRANCH, OFFICIALS SAID.

THIS BRINGS THE TOTAL NUMBER OF THE MAJOR COMMERCIAL BANK'S FOREIGN OFFICES TO 60, AND THOSE IN THE UNITED STATES TO 10, THEY SAID.

THE MOVE IS AIMED AT OBTAINING MORE CLIENTS FROM AMONG JAPANESE BUSINESSES OPERATING IN ATLANTA WHILE AT THE SAME TIME MEETING FUND DEMAND FROM LOCAL MEDIUM-SIZED CORPORATIONS, OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90351k0076 12/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 17) KYODO - RICOH CO. ANNOUNCED MONDAY IT WILL BUILD A PLANT IN THE SOUTHERN CHINESE SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE OF SHENZHEN TO START PRODUCTION OF PHOTOCOPIERS NEXT OCTOBER.

THE PLANT WILL BE RUN BY RICOH ASIA INDUSTRY SHENZHEN LTD. AND BE CAPITALIZED AT 115 MILLION HONG KONG DOLLARS BY RICOH ASIA INDUSTRY H.K. LTD., AN OFFICE AUTOMATION EQUIPMENT DISTRIBUTION COMPANY.

THE DISTRIBUTION FIRM WAS CREATED DECEMBER 11 IN THE CROWN COLONY BY RICOH AND THE HONG KONG TRADING FIRM CROWNING-UNITED COMPANY LTD.

THE HONG KONG DISTRIBUTION COMPANY HAS PAID-UP CAPITAL OF 120 MILLION HONG KONG DOLLARS, OF WHICH 90 PERCENT HAS BEEN FURNISHED BY RICOH AND THE REMAINDER BY CROWNING.

THE SHENZHEN PLANT WILL MANUFACTURE 10,000 PHOTOCOPIERS A MONTH FOR EXPORT TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, AND EUROPE THROUGH THE DISTRIBUTION FIRM IN HONG KONG.

RICOH SAID AN INITIAL INVESTMENT OF ABOUT 4.5 BILLION YEN WILL BE MADE IN THE SHENZHEN PLANT.

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#90351k0088 12/17/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC. 17) KYODO - PAKISTAN NEEDS TO PURCHASE NEARLY ONE MILLION TONS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS ON SIX MONTH'S CREDIT IN ORDER TO COPE WITH THE RISE IN OIL PRICES BROUGHT ON BY THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS, PETROLEUM MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID MONDAY.

MINISTRY OFFICIALS ESTIMATE THAT PAKISTAN WILL HAVE TO SPEND NEARLY 1 BILLION DOLLARS MORE THAN EXPECTED BECAUSE OF THE OIL PRICE HIKE AND A DECLINE IN REMITTANCES.

THE ISLAMABAD GOVERNMENT SECURED SHORT-TERM CREDITS FROM COMMERCIAL BANKS DURING THE SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER QUARTER TO ADDRESS HIGHER FUEL COSTS.

PAKISTAN SECURED 200 MILLION DOLLARS FROM CITIBANK AND AL-RAJHI BANKING AND INVESTMENT CORP. OF SAUDI ARABIA TO IMPORT OIL.

OFFICIALS SAID THE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS SOUGHT ON CREDIT WOULD BE REQUIRED FOR THE UPCOMING JANUARY-MARCH QUARTER.

PAKISTAN IS FACING A BIG SQUEEZE ON ITS FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESOURCES BECAUSE OF THE GULF CRISIS AND THE SUSPENSION OF THE U.S. AID ON CHARGES THAT IT IS MANUFACTURING A NUCLEAR DEVICE.

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#90351m0001 12/17/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 17) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

The Nikkei loses 262 points. ... In London, the FTSE is off 3.4 points in

afternoon trading. ... Other European markets lose about 2%. ... U.S. stocks trading overseas are lower across-the-board. ... The diplomatic logjam in the Mideast sends crude oil prices higher - North Sea Brent is up $1.10 to $26.40. ... The dollar is higher, but bonds fall, with the long yield backing up to 8.22% in overnight trading. ... AT&T says it will mount a proxy fight for control of NCR CORP.'s board. ... AMERICAN AIRLINES has agreed to pay $625 million for a package of TRANS WORLD AIRLINES assets, including TWA's routes between the United States and London's Heathrow airport. ... The FEDERAL RESERVE says industrial production plunged 1.7% in November, the third straight monthly decline and the largest in nearly eight years. .. A federal affidavit says EASTERN AIR LINES continues to falsify airplane maintenance records.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT issues November durable goods figures today and the FEDERAL OPEN MARKET COMMITTEE begins two days of meetings. House committee on the bank insurance fund. ... KIRK KERKORIAN's investment company, TRACINDA CORP., is to file a disclosure statement with the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION today or tomorrow giving more details of its acquisition of 9.8% of CHRYSLER stock. ... The LABOR DEPARTMENT issues the consumer price index for November tomorrow and COMMERCE reports on the merchandise trade balance for October. ... On Wednesday, COMMERCE issues the final revision for third-quarter gross national product as well as November housing starts. On Thursday, COMMERCE reports on personal income and outlays for November.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I think there's a fair chance that in the next two weeks we can get back close to even for the year," says EDDIE BROWN. "I think the driving force - overcoming the negative numbers will see in corporate profits for the fourth quarter [and] negative GNP - is going to be that interest rates have come down and, I think, will continue to come down. That will drive the market higher." ("Wall Street Week", 12/15)

FROM THE BEARS:

"So far I'm comfortable with my forecast, which is a negative one," says BERNADETTE MURPHY. "I've been negative since the beginning of the year. I think it is a bear market rally. I think it probably has some more to go ... but investors don't like uncertainty and last week we seemed to hit a little bit of a momentum peak. That doesn't mean the market can't go on to new highs but it means it's weakening and a lot of the drive that has carried it the last couple of months may have petered out." ("Wall Street Week", 12/15)

"Earnings are almost falling as fast as interest rates and that's why the dramatic fall in rates has not had the effect on stock prices it normally does " says HENRY VAN DER EB, president of the MATHERS FUND, which is 92% in cash

now. (WSJ, 12/17)

STOCK MARKET:

The resiliency of the Dow in the face of last week's bad economic news suggests there is more upside in the bear market rally, says ROBERT WALBERG of MMS INTERNATIONAL in New York this morning. "Given the slew of bad news last week, I don't think the overall position of the market is very negative. I think we're positioned for a nice rally into the end of the year." Walberg is looking for a quarter point reduction in the fed funds rate and a half point reduction in the discount rate because of the weakening economy and the decline in the M-2 money supply. (FNN "Business A.M.", 12/17)

"Deals are starting to surface again and it is giving investors an incentive to look more closely at stocks," says CHUNG LEW, head trader at KLEINWORT BENSON NORTH AMERICA. "There's a real sense that there are still some values to be found in the market," says JACK CONLON, managing director at ROTHSCHILD. THOMAS GALLAGHER at OPPENHEIMER says recent and pending big deals broke the market's bearish "tunnel vision." (WSJ, 12/17)

"Lower-than-expected fourth-quarter earnings are going to force Wall Street to reevaluate 1991 earnings estimates," says JEFFREY SHAMES, chief equities officer at MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES. "In the very short term, the market appears to be a function of the Mideast crisis in conjunction with interest rates." ("Investor's Daily", 12/17)

"I'd say that investors are feeling a little more confident about going back into the market," says ROBERT FREEDMAN, chief portfolio manager for JOHN HANCOCK mutual funds. (NYT, 12/15)

ABBY COHEN at GOLDMAN SACHS says: "Normally in a recession the equity market gets undervalued. There are certainly some stocks that are undervalued right now, but the market itself is not." (WSJ, 12/17)

"I think the bond market is a good place to hide for about the next six months " says DEBORAH ALLEN. "The stock market ... is going to continue to reflect some of the negative news that is still to come out about the economy ... but positive pressure on the bond market because they do help pull interest rates down." ("Wall Street Week", 12/15)

STOCK TIPS:

"If you can look out six or twelve months, I think you're going to make a fabulous amount of money from a low [in the large cap stocks] that will be reached sometime between January and March," says JAMES AWAD, president of BMI CAPITAL. Look for companies with growing international earnings plus little or no debt, and buy them into weakness, says Awad: "Have greed when others have fear." He likes APPLE which has $8 per share in cash, a 30% return on

equity and successful new products. Another pick is BERGEN BRUNSWIG, a drug wholesaler which should benefit from the greying of America, says Awad. (CNN "Business Day", 12/17)

GREGG JAHNKE, head of JKE EQUITY RESEARCH in Texas, lists his firm's favorite stocks in "Barron's" in an article that emphasizes the so- called "value" approach that attempts to pick stocks for long-term appreciation without focusing on quarter-by-quarter results or trying to predict the ups and downs of the overall market. The recommended stocks: ANALOG DEVICES, ARVIN, CUMMINGS ENGINE, DYNATECH, ECHLIN, FLEETWOOD, HARTMARX, JAMES RIVER, LaFARGE, OUTBOARD MARINE and WHIRLPOOL. ("Barron's", 12/17)

CISCO SYSTEMS is a hot stock that "Investor's Daily" says "clearly represents the upper crust of a new niche emerging in the computer networking business." GEORGE KELLY at MORGAN STANLEY says Cisco "made a preemptive move on this market and gained significant market share and customer attention early on. They've been able to continue to deliver products that are very customer-focused." JOSEPH BELLACE at MERRILL LYNCH says, "We're in the first inning of a nine-inning ballgame on inter-networking, and right now Cisco [is] the best- positioned independent company." ("Investor's Daily", 12/17)

"On a long-term basis, I think virtually all of the major entertainment companies are attractive, because I really believe that, over the long-term, we are going to see lots of demand building up of the middle-classes around the world," says HAROLD VOGEL, first vice president at MERRILL LYNCH. "But on a near-term basis, there are some problems in terms of maintaining margins. Of the stocks that are left, I would say PARAMOUNT makes the most sense because it is likely to continue to grow over the longer term in both publishing and entertainment products. ... It is indeed a potential takeover target. He says DISNEY is a good long-term company, but will have some attendance problems during a recession "that will tend to keep the stock price a little bit on edge, a little bit down or depressed from where it normally would be." ("Wall Street Week", 12/15)

QUAKER OATS is featured in a "Barron's" article that examines the cereal company's decisions over recent years to diversify and then return to its core business. Despite some lingering problems, the article concludes that "Quaker now seems back in fighting trim and in good shape to take on all comers." ("Barron's", 12/17)

ASHTON-TATE stock plunged 1 3/8 to 6 1/4 last Friday after a federal judge eliminated the company's copyright protection for its 'dBASE' computer language. "Ashton-Tate is the drowning victim who asks someone to throw them a life vest and instead someone [the judge] threw them a box of lead weights," says analyst CHRISTOPHER MORTENSON at ALEX. BROWN & SONS. ("Investor's Daily" 12/17)

"We're scaling back [in health care stocks] very cautiously," says RAY HIRSCH,

manager of the IDS DISCOVERY FUND. Still, he says: "I believe this is a rally in a bear market. In that kind of an environment, health care is a good place to be." (WSJ, 12/17)

UNILEVER N.V., the multinational holder of such brand names as Lipton and Birds Eye and other well-known businesses like Elizabeth Arden and Calvin Klein, is a favorite stock of WILLIAM CORNELIUSON, who is beginning to move his STRONG INVESTMENT FUND back into stocks. He says the company is "relatively immune" to economic cycles because of its food and personal-came holdings. He also thinks it is well positioned to take advantage of new markets in East Germany. He says that although it might take a decade for the markets to mature, "those people have gained their freedom and typically when you have freedom the first things you take care of are diet and health care." ("Barron's", 12/17)

CITICORP is a bellwether company and its discussions with regulators are fraught with implications for the industry," says banking analyst CHARLES PEABODY at KIDDER, PEABODY. He expects regulators "will continue to wield a stock" and force the company to increase its reserve for loan losses and cut its dividend. (NYT, 12/17)

MAX ANSBACHER at BEAR STEARNS notes that the historical pattern of the market going up in the first few days of January - the so-called January effect - offers an opportunity for options traders. "So for my clients who are in my option trading program I will be going in probably the day before Christmas, buying OEX options, and selling them out a few days after the beginning of the new year." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/15)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

"I do not see a commonality of interest" in buttressing the dollar, says HUNG TRAN at DEUTSCHE BANK CAPITAL CORP. There is increasing talk of a meeting of the GROUP OF SEVEN - perhaps next month in Washington - but PETER PERKINS at DRI/McGRAW-HILL says: "You won't get anything firm. You may get some sort of vague commitment on the part of the U.S. to pay attention to the level of the dollar." (WSJ, 12/17)

BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC" says he finds it "totally implausible" that the Fed will not decide to lower interest rates at its FOMC meeting this week. "Industrial production plunged and we will really get a very severe recession if the Fed doesn't ease, so I think the Fed will

ease. Inflation isn't really there any more. ... The only question is whether the bank regulators will so foul things up that easing won't work." On the other hand, he notes that people sometimes commit suicide "even though it's a terribly irrational act. Similarly, it's not inconceivable for members of the Federal Open Market Committee to sort of commit suicide in monetary policy. ... I just hope their suicidal tendencies are overcome by Tuesday because not easing right now would really be a dangerous policy." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/15)

PATRICK ROTHSTEIN at MERRILL LYNCH says he does not see how the Fed can reduce interest rates aggressively in the months ahead, because of rising prices. "Year-over-year, inflation could be 6% or 7%," he notes. "That is not great. Soon, investors will start to worry about stagflation." (WSJ, 12/17)

"The U.S. economy's balance sheet is rapidly deflating," says ROBERT McGEE at TOKAI BANK. "Under these circumstances, the Fed's and the market's focus on GNP and inflation numbers is analogous to a driver concentrating on the road ahead while forces underneath the road are building to earthquake proportions." (NYT, 12/17)

"I don't think we have seen the bottom in interest rates, but we may have to wait a few weeks before the [bond] rally resumes," says chief economist LAWRENCE KUDLOW at BEAR, STEARNS. "I don't think there is a lot of downside to buying bonds between now and the end of the year, because the economy is weak," says ROGER CRAIG at BANC ONE ASSET MANAGEMENT. "You have to look to these selloffs as opportunities to add to your positions." (NYT, 12/17)

JAMES CAPRA at LEHMAN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES looks for the bond market to "go right back up again" as soon as fresh economic data shows the economy continues to weaken. (WSJ, 12/17)

"The bond appears to have stumbled in its mission to reach 8%," says THOMAS SOWANICK at MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MARKETS. "The market may be growing tired. More aptly, the market may be running out of fresh buyers, given the latest reading in market sentiment and the relatively low cash positions held by many portfolio managers." SUSAN HERING at SALOMON BROTHERS says: "Prospects that within one year, the unemployment rate will exceed 7% and inflation will fall below 3.5% eventually will drive 30-year Treasury bond yields to test the lows near 7.75% reached in late 1989. Intensifying credit- quality concerns further enhance prospects for a renewed rally in Treasuries." ("Investor's Daily", 12/17)

THE ECONOMY:

"I have been a little slow to declare a national recession day," says TREASURY SECRETARY NICHOLAS BRADY. "I think it is quite clear that economic activity in the fourth quarter of this year has slowed down. How much we don't know yet. I don't think it's the end of the world even if we have a recession.

We'll pull back out of it again. No big deal." (NBC "Meet The Press", 12/16)

"This was a double dose of deadly news," ALLEN SINAI of THE BOSTON CO. says of Friday's producer price and industrial production reports. "The production decline was very widespread. It was almost scary. The inflation worry has to go away before the central bank can act." ("The Washington Post", 12/15)

"The good news is probably already at hand" on inflation, says MICHAEL NIEMIRA an economist at MITSUBISHI BANK. He notes that Friday's producer price report shows a third straight monthly decline in the core inflation rate for crude goods and says these trends get passed through quickly. ("Investor's Daily", 12/17)

"Weakness in the consumer spending is radiating back through to the manufacturing sector very quickly," says LYLE GRAMLEY, chief economist for the MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA. He says the economy should turn up by the middle of next year "so long as we do not get into a shooting war." ("Investor's Daily", 12/17)

"The economy looks even gloomier than it did a week ago," says HUGH JOHNSON at FIRST ALBANY. ("The Washington Post", 12/15)

"I still think that it's going to be a soft landing," says EDDIE BROWN. "The fourth quarter is going to be pretty awful in terms of negative GNP ... and I think by mid-1991 we will see the turn." ("Wall Street Week", 12/15)

DAVID WYSS at DRI/McGRAW HILL says strong export demand is "not large enough to prevent a recession [but] it is big enough to limit the size." He says "we are clearly in a recession" and the Fed "will be willing to tolerate these inflation numbers" and cut interest further. Wyss finds it "encouraging that industrial production is dropping so sharply because it suggests that people are controlling their inventories very tightly. The way this is developing makes it look like we will have a mild recession." ("Investor's Daily" and NYT, 12/17)

GAIL FOSLER, chief economist at the CONFERENCE BOARD, says businesses have been making "preemptive" reductions in their payrolls. "Employment has taken a disproportionate cut," she tells columnist HOBART ROWEN of "The Washington Post." "Business has been sitting there waiting for a recession and Iraq galvanized the pessimism. So business protected itself before seeing anticipated cuts in demand." She sees a gain in first-quarter 1991 GNP after a 1.3% decline this quarter, but believes unemployment will continue to rise next year. "I don't have a recession [in my forecast] but I also don't have a recovery," she says. ("The Washington Post", 12/16)

"The recession now has a life of its own," writes RICHARD BERNER in a SALOMON BROTHERS report. "The economic harm done by proliferating job losses would overwhelm any positive fallout from any peace- related drop in oil prices.

And plunging disposable income and mounting unemployment are more real threats to consumption and confidence than prospects of war in the Mideast." (NYT, 12/17)

"Consumers are not in a borrowing mood," says pollster ALBERT SINDLINGER. "I don't think consumers are interested in adding to their debt." ("The Washington Post", 12/16)

IN WASHINGTON:

FDIC CHAIRMAN WILLIAM SEIDMAN says the government fund that insures bank deposits probably will lose $5 billion next year, moving it closer to insolvency. "It's a fund that's so weak that it needs to be recapitalized," he says. "Nineteen ninety-one is not going to be a good year." (NBC "Meet The Press", 12/16)

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#90351p3636 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, CO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Satellite Information Systems Co. (SISCOM) (NASDAQ: SATI) today announced a contract to provide The Weather Channel with a NewsPro(TM) newsroom automation system. Value of the contract was not disclosed.

The Weather Channel, based in Atlanta, is the nation's leading provider of cable-based weather news and information. Founded in 1982, The Weather Channel is a division of Landmark Communications Inc., the Virginia-based communications company with holdings in television, radio, cable and newspapers.

The Weather Channel's programs are seen in 82 percent of all cable homes in America and recently passed 50 percent of all domestic television homes. Programming includes 24-hour forecasting as well as weather-related news, features, consumer tips and documentaries on a local, regional and national basis.

"As The Weather Channel has grown, we've enhanced our product significantly," said Joe Conboy, director of production for The Weather Channel. "SISCOM has assisted us in upgrading and modernizing our broadcast facilities so that we can get our program enhancements on the air more efficiently.

"NewsPro is a great tool for our producers," Conboy added. "It has distinct advantages over competing newsroom systems because the software was flexible enough to share a Digital Equipment Corp. VAX computer that was already installed and being used for other business applications. With a competing system we would have had to buy a dedicated hardware system at a higher cost to us."

Bob Turner, director of marketing for SISCOM, said, "We are pleased that a progressive organization such as The Weather Channel has selected NewsPro to manage its broadcast operations. The Weather Channel is committed to offering the best product available, and NewsPro can certainly help them accomplish that."

SISCOM's NewsPro automates the editorial and production control aspects of broadcast news operations and provides information management facilities for use by organizations in the print media, public affairs, press relations, and image industries.

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ANCHORAGE, AK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Martech USA Inc. (NASDAQ: MUSA) today reported results for the first quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

Revenue for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was $10,506,000 resulting in net income of $1,551,000, or 16 cents per share. This compares to the first quarter revenue of fiscal 1990 where earnings per share were 14 cents on net income of $1,538,000 and revenue of $11,261,000. "During the first quarter of fiscal 1990, approximately 45 percent of our revenues were generated from work on the Exxon Valdez cleanup," stated Ben C. Tisdale III, chairman. "This quarter, no one single project represented more than five percent of the period's revenue and overall gross margins increased, exhibiting that during the year the company has diversified and expanded its customer base."

During the first quarter of 1991, revenue for the environmental remediation services nearly doubled and marine services revenue rose 60 percent, largely from increased inspection and maintenance projects in the Gulf of Mexico and California.

Tisdale added that the company's Gulf Coast and Atlanta offices recently signed several contracts valued at approximately $2.8 million for environmental remediation projects in the eastern and southern parts of the United States. "These projects are scheduled to be completed during the second quarter."

Martech USA Inc. provides a comprehensive range of specialized marine construction services, on-shore field related environmental remediation services and spill response services to private industry and government agencies.

MARTECH USA INC.

Results From Operations

(Unaudited)
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Quarter Ended	
	Nov. 30, 1990	Nov. 30, 1989
Revenue	$10,506,000	$11,261,000
Net Income	$ 1,551,000	$ 1,538,000
Earnings Per Share	$ .16	$ .14

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PALO ALTO, CA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Syntex Corporation (NYSE: SYN) said today that an Advisory Committee to the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has recommended that the Agency grant Syntex permission to market Ticlid(R) (ticlopidine hydrochloride) in the United States to reduce the risk of strokes in patients who cannot take aspirin.

Ticlid is the first prescription anti-platelet agent to be recommended for approval for marketing in the United States.

Stroke is the third leading cause of death in the United States and one of the major causes of disability. Approximately 500,000 Americans suffer strokes each year. Nearly 2 million Americans are survivors of a stroke. Many of them currently receive some form of custodial care -- at home, in nursing homes, or in hospitals.

Syntex plans to meet with FDA officials in the near future to begin discussions concerning the precise wording of prescribing instructions to physicians. Syntex officials cautioned, however, that an Advisory Committee's findings are not binding on the FDA, and that Ticlid will not be available to patients or their physicians until the FDA accepts the Committee's recommendation and approves the drug for marketing in the United States. Syntex is unable to predict when or if final marketing approval will be granted.

Syntex submitted a New Drug Application (NDA) to the FDA on June 26, 1989. The FDA assigned a "Subpart E" designation to Ticlid July 25, 1989. The "Subpart E" designation is intended to expedite the development, evaluation and marketing of new therapies with the potential to treat life-threatening and severely debilitating diseases for which no satisfactory therapies currently exist.

Ticlid is a platelet aggregation inhibitor that interferes with the action of platelets in the formation of blood clots. In patients with vascular disease, such clots (thrombi) may form in the arteries of the brain or heart where they

can cause a stroke or heart attack.

Syntex has conducted two large, multi-center, controlled clinical trials to study the safety and efficacy of Ticlid in preventing thrombotic events in patients at risk for stroke. Detailed reports of these two trials form the basis of Syntex's NDA submission.

Syntex is a multinational company which discovers, develops, manufactures and markets prescription medicines that treat serious human diseases and save lives. Syntex also develops, manufactures and markets animal pharmaceutical products; and medical diagnostic systems.

CONTACT: Linda Thomas, 415-852-1321, or Nancy Peterson, 415-855-5567, both of Syntex.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Genus Inc. (NASDAQ: GGNS) announced today that AT&T Bell Laboratories, Allentown, Pa., has fully accepted a Genus 8720ST blanket tungsten chemical vapor deposition system installed in that development facility earlier this year. The system has undergone rigorous testing by AT&T Bell Laboratories and has met their specification criteria for acceptance.

The Genus 8720ST exceeded AT&T's specifications in may respects. The system proved to be very clean in operation, adding fewer than 0.2 particles greater than 0.5 microns in size per square centimeter of wafer surface. No wafers were broken in the system throughout the tests, which is indicative of the efficiency of the 8720ST wafer handler. The stress factor of the deposited film was less than 3-5E9 dynes per square centimeter. AT&T Bell Laboratories also reported that during the acceptance testing, the 8720ST operated with greater than 85 percent system availability. All of the above tested performances of the 8720ST are better than accepted industry standards for similar equipment.

Michael W. McCann, Vice President of Sales and Tactical Marketing, said, "We are very pleased to count AT&T Bell Laboratories, a major semiconductor development laboratory, among our tungsten CVD equipment customers. Although the qualification tests were done with an 850 mTorr process, AT&T is currently characterizing their new 8720ST system with the Genus 30 Torr process. AT&T's decision to purchase the system was based on criteria particularly important to the production of high quality, low cost wafers. The 8720ST has proved again that it can meet these needs."

Genus Inc. is a leading manufacturer of front end production equipment for tungsten CVD and high energy ion implantation. Genus' products are used in the fabrication of advanced semiconductor integrated circuits by major

semiconductor manufacturers around the world.

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VAN NUYS, CA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Acqua Group Inc. (NASDAQ: ACQA) announced today the offering of 500,000 units, consisting of 1 million shares of common stock and 500,000 common stock purchase warrants, each warrant to buy one share of common stock. Each unit is being offered at $6.00 each. The lead underwriter is Thomas James Associates Inc., Rochester, N.Y.

The registration statement covering the offering was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Nov. 29, 1990.

Acqua Group assembles, markets and distributes "Acqua Cooler" bottleless water coolers for use in offices, hospitals, hotels and other commercial establishments.

CONTACT: Albert A. Parisi, chairman and CEO, or Steven M. Martini, president and CFO, both of Acqua Group Inc. 818-988-2254; or Donald Reynolds, 213-275-9024, or Gary Fishman, 212-661-1830, both of Reynolds Associates for Acqua Group Inc.

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#90351p3667 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

COEUR D'ALENE, ID (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Hecla Mining Co. (NYSE, PSE: HL) has finalized the purchase of all the outstanding capital stock of Indusmin Inc. from a subsidiary of Falconbridge Limited and from Unimin Corp. The acquisition consists of two feldspar mines and a processing plant at Spruce Pine, N.C. Feldspar is used principally in ceramic and glass-making applications.

Unimin Corp., located in New Canaan, Conn., purchased the Canadian assets of Falconbridge's Indusmin Division from Falconbridge on Sept. 25. Unimin retains those assets, consisting of nepheline syenite operations at Blue Mountain and Nephton, Ontario, and silica operations at Midland, Ontario, and St. Canut and St. Donat, Quebec.

Through its subsidiary, Kentucky-Tennessee Clay Co., Hecla now offers three of the four ingredients needed to produce ceramic products: ball clay, kaolin and feldspar. The fourth ingredient is silica, or sand. Hecla's chairman and chief executive officer, Arthur Brown, said, "Hecla has considered the feldspar business for some time as a complement to our ball clay and kaolin products. Our customers for these products will benefit from the efficiencies created by allowing them to buy most of their raw materials from one producer."

The mines and plants produce in excess of 100,000 tons of feldspar annually.

Hecla Mining Co., headquartered in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, is a leading domestic producer of newly mined silver and gold, and is a supplier of premium ball clay, kaolin and specialty aggregates, with subsidiaries in Kentucky, Colorado and Toronto. The company employs more than 900 people throughout North America.

CONTACT: Bill Booth of Hecla Mining Co., 208-769-4100.

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#90351p3668 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. today said it has filed a registration statement for an offer to exchange a combination of cash and common stock for a portion of the subordinated exchange debentures due 2007 of RJR Nabisco Holdings Group Inc.

Upon completion of the exchange offer, both debt-to-equity and interest coverage ratios of RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. are expected to improve.

Under the terms of the offer, holders of the exchange debentures would receive $465 in cash and 110 shares of common stock of RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. for each $1,000 principal amount of the exchange debentures tendered, up to a maximum of $752,688,000 total principal amount of debentures.

RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. said the exchange offer is another component of the comprehensive recapitalization program announced in July. The program included open market purchases of debentures, and exchange offers completed in November of cash and convertible preferred stock for senior converting debentures due 2009 of RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. and exchange debentures.

The program to date has resulted in the retirement of $1.859 billion of principal and accrued and unpaid interest on the converting debentures and $2.264 billion of principal and accrued and unpaid interest on the exchange debentures.

According to Louis V. Gerstner Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp., the comprehensive recapitalization program announced in July allowed the company to use additional cash to repurchase debentures upon completion of the November exchange offers. The company has now decided that a combination of cash and common stock will enable it to retire an even greater share of debt and further strengthen its balance sheet, while enhancing its strategic and financial flexibility.

RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. is the indirect parent of RJR Nabisco Inc., an international consumer products company. RJR Nabisco's major operating subsidiaries are R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., R.J. Reynolds Tobacco

International Inc., Nabisco Brands Inc., and Planters LifeSavers Co.

CONTACT: Jason Wright of RJR Nabisco, 212-258-5770

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SPOKANE, WASH. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Washington Water Power Company (NYSE: WWP) and ALLTEL Corporation today announced that ALLTEL Corporation (NYSE: AT) has formally accepted WWP's $85 million bid for the purchase of all natural gas distribution assets of CP National Corporation, an ALLTEL subsidiary.

The purchase of CP National Corporation's natural gas distribution system, which serves approximately 70,000 residential, commercial, and industrial customers in Oregon, California, and Nevada, is subject to the final approval of regulatory commissions in those three states.

CP National Corporation is currently the second largest distributor of natural gas in Oregon, serving approximately 43,000 customers, primarily in the cities of Medford, Roseburg, Klamath Falls, and La Grande. CP National also serves approximately 16,000 customers in the South Lake Tahoe and Needles areas in California, and more than 11,000 customers in the area of Henderson, Nevada.

ALLTEL publicly announced its intention to offer CP National's natural gas distribution systems for sale in September. The properties were acquired by ALLTEL as part of its 1988 acquisition of CP National Corporation.

The Washington Water Power Company was advised by The First Boston Corporation and ALLTEL Corporation was advised by Stephens, Inc.

The Washington Water Power Company is a combination electric and natural gas utility serving approximately 250,000 electric and 93,000 natural gas customers in its 26,000- square-mile service area in eastern Washington and northern Idaho.

ALLTEL Corporation provides telephone service to more than 1.1 million customers in 25 states and has subsidiaries or investments in companies that provide cellular telephone, long-distance, and information services, communications products, and other related services.

CONTACT: Rob Strenge, 509-482-4230, or Pat Lynch, 509-482-4246, both of The Washington Water Power Company, or Rondald Payne of ALLTEL Corporation, 501-661-8989

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BALTIMORE (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - MNC Financial Inc. (NYSE: MNC) today announced it is continuing negotiations with its syndicate banks to extend its loan agreement beyond the previously announced Dec. 14 waiver period.

CONTACT: Daniel G. Finney, sr. vp corporate communications, 301-547-4038, or David W. Spartin, vp and director of investor relations, 301-547-4410, both of MNC Financial.

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#90351p3681 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, NJ (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Graphic Scanning Corp. (NASDAQ: GSCC) today announced that it is in negotiations with a third party concerning the acquisition for cash of all of the outstanding shares of Graphic Scanning. The transaction will be subject to the execution of the definitive agreement containing customary closing conditions, including regulatory approval and the approval of the board of directors and stockholders of Graphic Scanning. The transaction will also be subject to the continuing due diligence investigation of the purchaser, as well as the divestiture by Graphic Scanning of certain of its properties.

Graphic Scanning is a telecommunications service company with operations in the United States and the United Kingdom providing a broad variety of communications services.

CONTACT: Robert J. Cymbala, president of Graphic Scanning, 201-894-8000.

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#90351p3682 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NASHUA, NH (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - NFS Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: NFSF) today reported an $8.3 million special addition to its provision for possible loan losses and a $1.1 million write-down of foreclosed real estate. The actions will result in a loss for the quarter and the entire year 1990.

The special addition will increase NFS's reserve coverage to approximately 50 percent of nonperforming loans from 28 percent at Sept. 30.

James H. Adams, president and CEO, said the special reserve addition is based on the worsening economy and real estate market. "The economy is now clearly in recession, both locally and nationally. There has been no bottoming out of the poor real estate market, particularly the commercial sector. We continue to be very cautious in classifying individual loans and, as such, have seen a significant rise in nonperforming loans this quarter."

The company also said that it is increasing reserve allocations for all loan classifications. "Fortunately, NFS is in a strong financial position to take this decisive action," Adams said.

NFS also reported it has decreased the carrying value of foreclosed real estate by $1.1 million in response to recent declines in market values.

Consolidated stockholder's equity at NFS on Sept. 30, 1990 was $52.4 million, or 10.3 percent of total assets, which is substantially in excess of all fully-phased in capital requirements. The company anticipates remaining in compliance with all capital requirements.

NFS added $2.8 million to its provision for loan losses and reported a net loss of $920,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990. Operating results for the full year are expected to be announced in late January.

CONTACT: David A. Sobe or Albert R. Rietheimer, both of NFS Financial Corp., 603-880-2011.

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LAKE SUCCESS, NY (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Care Group, Inc. common stock will be included in the next expansion of the NASDAQ National Market System (NMS) which will take place Dec. 18, 1990, Ann Mittasch, president and chief executive officer, announced. Mittasch pointed out that The Care Group's entry into NMS provides investors with the best of both worlds -- the continuous transaction data of the exchanges and the vigorous competition among multiple market makers that is the hallmark of NASDAQ.

Stockbrokers will be able to provide last-sale prices and up-to-the- second volume information on the company's common stock for their customers throughout the trading day. The Care Group is a leading home health care provider for patients with AIDS, and will be included in the NMS newspaper stock table, which shows high, low and closing prices for the most active and prominent NASDAQ securities. The quotation symbol for The Care Group, Inc., which has sales of approximately $12 million, is CARE.

CONTACT: Gilda Schechter of The Care Group, 516-869-8383.

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#90351p3691 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

(DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Granite Construction Inc. (NASDAQ: GCCO) today announced the election of Richard M. Brooks to its board of directors.

Granite Chairman Richard C. Solari said, "Dick Brooks is an outstanding addition to Granite's board of directors. He brings with him a wealth of experience, especially in corporate finance, which will provide a valuable resource to our finance group. We are elated that he has agreed to join our board."

Brooks is a San Francisco-based financial consultant. Previously, he served as president and chief executive officer of SFA Management Corp. from 1987 to 1990 and vice president, finance and treasurer for Lucky Stores Inc. from 1984 to 1987. Prior to these assignments, he was senior vice president, Finance and Administration for C&H Sugar Company and senior vice president and chief financial officer for AMFAC Inc. Brooks currently is on the board of directors of Longs Drug Stores and BEI Electronics Inc. He holds a Master of Business Administration Degree from the University of California at Berkeley and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Applied Economics from Yale University.

Brooks was born in Akron, Ohio, on May 3, 1928. He is married and has three children.

Granite Construction is a heavy civil contractor engaged in the construction of dams, highways, airports, tunnels and other infrastructure-related projects. The company's stock is traded in the NASDAQ-National Market System under the symbol GCCO.

CONTACT: Michael Lawson of Granite Construction, 408-761-4717.

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#90351p3692 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN MATEO, CALIF. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Electronic Arts (NASDAQ: ERTS) announced Friday, Dec. 14, that Lawrence F. Probst, 40, will assume the position of President and Chief Operating Officer effective Jan. 1, 1991, and will join the company's board of directors. W.M. (Trip) Hawkins will continue as Chairman and CEO.

Probst will assume primary responsibility for the company's P&L results and achievement of annual operating goals. He will also take on management of two more operating groups in the company, Studio Operations, as well as Finance and Administration.

As chairman and CEO, Hawkins will turn his attention to longer-term growth strategies for Electronic Arts. He will play the leading role in defining opportunities and pursuing investments in new businesses and new technologies beyond the scope of the annual operating plan.

"As perhaps EA's best manager, Larry has been one of the key reasons for our operating success over the last five years," said Hawkins. "He established our direct sales organization, and turned it into a model for the rest of the industry. He instilled a level of execution that has made our Affiliated Label program possible and profitable. His business judgment and forecasting have enabled us to make better development and inventory decisions. And he has set a high standard of commitment and follow-through for other employees in the company."

Probst joined Electronic Arts in 1984 as vice president of sales. Since 1987, he was senior vice president of Electronic Arts Distribution, responsible for the company's U.S. sales, operations, and Affiliated Labels programs. He assumed line responsibility for the company's operations in Australia and the Pacific Rim in 1989, and added Europe in 1990. He also took on management of marketing in 1990.

Previous to Electronic Arts, Probst was national sales manager at Activision Inc., national accounts manager at Clorox, and held various sales positions at Johnson & Johnson. He holds a degree in business administration from the University of Delaware.

Electronic Arts is a diversified entertainment software company that develops, publishes and distributes worldwide.

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MIAMI (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Rental Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: CRUZ; Boston: DTL) announced record revenues, net income and earnings per share for the third quarter.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, Delta reported record revenues of $1,835,696, up 53.5 percent from the year ago period, while net income was a record $849,092, up 40.3 percent. Year to date earnings per share as of Sept. 30, 1990 is a reported 55 cents, up from 39 cents in the previous year.

"Our strong performance is based on an increase in the number of rental locations versus a year ago, as well as a general increase in tourism in our current operating region," said Paul J. Carvajal, Delta's president. "Our continued expansion and the strength in the tourism industry at our strategic locations insure that the gains that we have achieved to date will be extended into 1991 and beyond. By the summer of 1991, Delta is projecting 12 rental locations, compared with the five current locations. We are currently evaluating several acquisition opportunities that could accelerate our 1991 growth projections. With our reported revenues, net income and earnings per share all at records for the nine months that exceed results for all of 1989, we are confident that our shareholders will be well rewarded as additional members of the investment community gain interest in Delta and recognize our record growth and expectations."

Delta Rental Systems is engaged in the rental of watersports equipment (mini-boats, jet skis, parasailing, rafts, snorkel gear, etc.) at resort hotels in the United States and the Caribbean; manufacturing and distribution of marine powerboats; and the brokerage of new and used powerboats.

Miami-based Delta currently has 1,530,000 shares outstanding.

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#90351p3694 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Computer Systems Division of Toshiba America Information Systems Inc. announced today that it has reduced prices on its T3100 and T3200 laptop computer lines, including $800 off the popular T3100SX/80 and a dramatic $1,200 off the T3200SX 40MB model.

"As an industry leader we are committed to offer our customers the best price/performance ratio possible, showing a direct reflection of value for the customer's dollar," said Tom Martin, vice president of marketing for the Computer Systems Division.

With the latest price reductions, a larger portion of the laptop market will be able to benefit from the superior ergonomics of Toshiba's T3100 and T3200 families.

The Computer Systems Division reduced prices on six portable computers to better position its products in the ever-growing portable PC market. The T3100SX/40 is reduced to $5,699 from $5,999, and the T3100SX/80 will now sell for $5,999 reduced from $6,799. The T3100e/40 will retail at $3,699 instead of $4,299 and the T3200 is reduced from $4,499 to $3,999, a savings of $500. Other price reductions include $1,200 off the T3200SX 40MB which is now $4,999, reduced from $6,199 and $1,000 off the T3200SX 120MB, which will now sell for $5,999.

Based on market share estimates from the International Data Corporation (IDC), Toshiba is the leading vendor in the U.S. market for portable computers, holding 24 percent of the unit volume in 1989. IDC research covers the full spectrum of computer resellers, unlike some retail surveys whose focus excludes as much as 40 percent of the full portable computing market.

Toshiba America Information Systems Inc. (TAIS) is an independent operating company, owned by Toshiba America Inc., a subsidiary of the $29 billion Toshiba Corp., world leader in high technology products with 72 major subsidiaries worldwide. Headquartered in Irvine, with 1989 sales exceeding $900 million, TAIS is comprised of eight divisions which manufacture and market a wide range of business and information-oriented products. For more information call: 800-334-3445.

CONTACT: Megan Manning of Toshiba American Information Systems Inc., 714-583-3936 or Brenda Bennett of Hill & Knowlton Inc., 714-752-1106.

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#90351p3696 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENCINO, CA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Nu-Med Inc. (NASDAQ: NUMSC) today reported a net loss of $3,318,000, equal to $.38 a share, for the second fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. In the corresponding prior year period, the company recorded a net loss of $2,890,000, or $.34 a share. Included in results for the current reporting period was an extraordinary item of $866,000, representing a gain of $1,239,000 from the purchase of Senior Subordinated Sinking Fund Debentures, partially offset by the reversal of an income tax benefit of $373,000, reported in the previous quarter.

Net revenues for the current second quarter declined to $60,783,000 from $65,509,000. The decrease was attributable to the absence of revenues from Pembroke Pines General Hospital, which was sold in the fourth quarter of last year.

The company said lower occupancy rates and an unfavorable patient mix at two acute care hospitals accounted for a substantial portion of the second quarter loss.

For the six months ended Oct. 31, Nu-Med registered a net loss of $2,360,000, or $.28 a share, compared with a net loss for the first half of last year of $1,846,000 or $.23 a share. Net revenues totaled $127,036,000 vs. $139,442,000 in the prior year period which included operations of Pembroke Pines.

Continued progress was made in reducing interest expense, which declined to $17,926,000 from $21,365,000 in the first half of last year. The announcement also noted that incremental benefits from a major reduction in corporate overhead should have a positive effect on operating costs in the third and fourth quarters.

The company said it is continuing to actively pursue the disposition of selected assets in accordance with its previously announced restructuring program.

Nu-Med Inc. is a nationwide health care services company, focusing its operations in the areas of acute and psychiatric care.

CONTACT: Kenneth E. Rappoport, VP, Nu-Med Inc., 818-990-2000; or Melvyn S. Rifkind of Melvyn S. Rifkind Inc., 818-783-8323, for Nu-Med Inc.

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#90351p3697 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, NY (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - In a move designed to strengthen its

presence in the international network services market, NYNEX Corporation (NYSE: NYN) today announced the creation of NYNEX DPI Company, a joint venture with SLT Communications, Inc. of Sugar Land, Texas. NYNEX DPI Company will develop, market and maintain operations support software solutions in communications markets worldwide, including telecommunications providers, corporate networks, cable television and cellular communications services.

NYNEX Information Solutions Group holds a majority interest in NYNEX DPI. The joint venture company's assets consist of business performed by SLT's subsidiary, Data Products International, Inc. (DPI), and an undisclosed amount of cash by NYNEX. Scott Van Derhei, formerly chief operations officer, DPI, has been named president and chief executive officer of the joint venture company.

Operations support systems run the complex daily operations of a communications provider, including customer service, billing, inventory and accounting functions.

The joint venture company will continue to market and support DPI's existing product line, which utilizes the IBM AS/400 and is primarily used by smaller telephone companies. The new company also plans to market a UNIX-based version of it operations to support solutions to operators of large communications networks in North America, Europe and Asia.

According to SLT Communications President and CEO Robert C. Brown, III, "This joint venture creates a dynamic combination of software, systems and communications expertise. Our goal is to bring this expertise to bear on our product development efforts, to better serve all our customers."

SLT Communications, Inc. has been in the telephone industry for sixty years. The corporation owns CATV, cellular and mobile radio companies in the Texas and Arkansas regions and is the parent of the wholly owned, non-regulated subsidiary, DPI, which was formed in 1979 and acquired by SLT in 1984. DPI serves more than 100 telephone companies worldwide.

NYNEX Information Solutions Group, Inc. is a subsidiary of NYNEX Corporation, a worldwide provider of information technology (software solutions, consulting and operations support services) and network services (cable television, cellular communications and network operations). NYNEX has revenues of $13.2 billion and assets of $25.9 billion, and operates from offices in 14 countries around the globe.

IBM AS/400 is a registered trademark of International Business Machines. UNIX is a registered trademark of AT&T.

CONTACT: Joan Huthwaite, 914-644-7367, or BethAnn Robertiello, 914-644-7892, both of NYNEX, or Jan Cherry of NYNEX DPI, 713-491-7200.

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#90351p3699 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BEAVERTON, OR (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Nike (NYSE PSE: NKE) Chairman Philip H. Knight today reported revenues and earnings for the company's second quarter ended Nov. 30. Net income for the three month period was $58,081,000 or 77 cents per share compared to $36,777,000 or 49 cents per share for the same period last year, an increase of 58 percent. All per share amounts have been adjusted to reflect a two-for-one stock split which occurred on Oct. 5.

Revenues for the three months increased 46 percent to $648,828,000 from $445,705,000 in the prior year. Each major division contributed to the revenue growth. Domestic athletic footwear and apparel increased 42 percent and 21 percent respectively; international operations expanded 75 percent, and non-athletic footwear grew 13 percent.

Consolidated gross margin for the second quarter was 37.3 percent compared to 36.8 percent in the prior year. Selling and administrative expenses were 22.0 percent of revenues compared to 23.4 percent last year.

Knight also announced the company's worldwide orders for athletic footwear and apparel scheduled for delivery between December 1990 and April 1991 are 27 percent higher compared to the same period last year. Domestic athletic footwear orders are up 11 percent, domestic apparel orders are up 21 percent, and international footwear and apparel orders are up 73 percent.

Knight commented, "Nike's second quarter results were fueled by strong domestic sales of our newest basketball products - the Air Command Force and Air Flight Lite. Our women's products also performed very well during the quarter as we are doing a better job of addressing the needs of this important consumer segment.

"In Europe, Andre Agassi's victory in the ATP Championships in Frankfurt spurred tremendous interest in our Challenge Court footware and apparel collection. In every other category, Nike products continued to sell very well at the retail level.

"We are very pleased with the 27 percent increase in worldwide futures orders for the next five months, and particularly the 73 percent increase in our International orders.

This reflects how quickly the marketplace is responding to our increased marketing efforts to firmly establish Nike as the leading authentic sports and fitness brand. Many challenges remain as we continue to grow as a global company, but Nike is prepared to attack them."

CONTACT: Ron Parham (analysts), (503) 671-3079, or Liz Dolan (press), (503) 671-6453, both of Nike Inc.

-30- 2716
#90351p3704 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
STERLING, VA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Radiation Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: RADS) today announced that its SatCom Technologies Division, Duluth, Ga., has been awarded a $700,000 contract from Radio-Television Belgrade in Yugoslavia, for the manufacture and testing of the first in a family of satellite antenna systems to be used to provide Belgrade television programming to Western Europe and the United States.

The contract contains options to increase the number of satellite antenna systems ordered to allow for expansion of the television programming to other areas.

Richard E. Thomas, chairman and chief executive officer of Radiation Systems, Inc. (RSi), said that this contract represents another expansion of its business into the international marketplace. RSi recently accepted and/or completed contracts for earth stations in Germany, Indonesia, Portugal, Guinea-Bissau, Italy and India worth more than $5 million.

Radiation Systems, Inc. designs, manufactures and installs a broad range of antenna systems for radar, air traffic control, tactical military, satellite earth stations, terrestrial microwave and other specialized uses throughout the world.

CONTACT: Richard E. Thomas, chairman and CEO, or Mark D. Funston, vice president finance, Radiation Systems, Inc., 703-450-5680.

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#90351p3706 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - BLOCKBUSTER Entertainment Corporation (NYSE: BV) announced today that BLOCKBUSTER and Erol's Inc. have signed a definitive agreement relating to the proposed acquisition of Erol's Inc.

As previously announced, BLOCKBUSTER will acquire Erol's for an approximately $40 million combination of cash, a note, shares of BLOCKBUSTER common stock and debt assumption. The closing of the acquisition is subject to the satisfaction of certain customary conditions.

Erol's Inc. owns and operates 209 videocassette rental and sales stores in the Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Chicago and Richmond/Tidewater areas.

BLOCKBUSTER Entertainment Corporation operates in 144 major markets in 44 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, Canada and the United

Kingdom. As of Dec. 10, 1990, there were 1,545 stores in the system (exclusive of Erol's), of which 777 were company-owned and 768 were franchise owned.

CONTACT: Steven R. Berrard, vice chairman and chief financial officer of BLOCKBUSTER Entertainment Corporation, 305-524-8200; or Margaret A. Chittal, vice chairman of Erol's Inc., 703-642-3300.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Seitel, Inc. (AMEX: SEI) announced today that it has elected E. McCall Rotan as a director of Seitel, Inc.

Rotan has held various senior marketing and management positions with Rotan Mosle, Inc., a leading Southwestern regional brokerage firm. For a 3 year period in the early 1980s, Rotan was the assistant to the president of a private oil and gas exploration company in Houston, Texas, where he orchestrated the funding of a 3 year, $150 million plus exploration program. In 1983 he returned to Rotan Mosle, then a subsidiary of Paine Webber, leaving such employment in November of 1990 as Rotan Mosle prepared to become a division of the parent company.

Throughout his stock brokerage career, Rotan has specialized in marketing to the professional institutional money management community in the United States. In this capacity, he was heavily involved with Rotan Mosle's investment banking and corporate finance clients. "During the 1970s Rotan Mosle had a concentrated analytical presence in the energy industries, and with its Texas-based operations, was allowed frequent and personal access to these companies' management ranks," commented Rotan. He added that "My business relationships have kept me involved during the dramatic changes in the 1980's energy environment, and have allowed me a broad base of contacts for the already volatile 1990s."

Paul Frame, president of Seitel, Inc., announced that he was "particularly pleased to have Rotan join the company's board of directors as an independent director, since he brings to us a wealth of experience, expertise and knowledge of the Southwestern energy sector, as well as many acquaintances within the company's institutional stockholder base."

Seitel, Inc. is engaged in the development of a proprietary seismic data bank and arranging the creation and marketing of a seismic data.

CONTACT: Debra D. Valice of Seitel, Inc., 713-558-1990.

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DAYTON, OH (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Mead Corporation (NYSE: MEA) announced today that its board of directors has approved a series of actions as part of a continuing program to enhance shareholder value and better position the company for the 1990s.

The steps announced today are expected to result in estimated 1991 cost savings of approximately $33 million after tax, or $.50 per share. They include:

- Repositioning the Mead Imaging division to limit the company's financial exposure in its color imaging business while establishing a reserve to fund commitments to its hardware partners.
- Writing off certain nonproductive assets.
- Implementing corporate-wide cost reduction and performance improvement programs.
- Reducing 1991 capital spending by $150 million (30 percent).

Mead estimates its actions will net out to a one-time charge to Mead's 1990 earnings of approximately $95 million after tax, or $1.45 per share. That figure includes an extraordinary gain of $.10 per share, resulting from early repayment of debt. Most of the gain was recorded in the third quarter.

"The positive effects of these steps will be evident in Mead's financial results in 1991 and beyond," said Burnell R. Roberts, Mead's chairman and chief executive officer.

"Before these special items and before the $.05 charge for a legal settlement taken in the third quarter, earnings from operations would be approximately $2.20 per share for 1990," Roberts said.

He further indicated that fourth quarter earnings will be negatively affected compared to last year, primarily by market-caused downtime at Mead's Northwood Pulp affiliate and interest costs which are no longer capitalized due to the startup of Mead Coated Board's expansion in Alabama.

"Given the uncertain state of the economy, we believe it is prudent to initiate these steps now, rather than allow economic conditions to jeopardize our long-term strategies," Roberts stated. "Mead remains committed to building long-term value, while improving operating performance in the near-term. These steps will contribute to improving operating earnings in 1991 and subsequent years."

As one key step, Mead will take a one-time charge to 1990 earnings of approximately $49 million after tax, or $.74 per share to reflect a write-down of assets in its Mead Imaging division and to establish a reserve to fund ongoing commitments to its hardware partners.

This action follows a comprehensive study which was undertaken earlier this

year when the company reported that the market for color imaging was not developing as rapidly as originally anticipated.

CONTACT: Sharon Williamson of The Mead Corporation, (513) 495-3535.

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ROCKVILLE, MD (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Diagnon Corporation (DIGN) of Rockville has been awarded two contracts totalling $4,335,746 (year one at $705,000), including options, to support National Cancer Institute programs.

A four year contract will support the testing of human and primate retroviruses and viral antigens, including HIV. The second, a five-year contract, will support research in transplacental carcinogenesis and tumor promotion. These contracts add to Diagnon's base contract business in the fields of AIDS and cancer.

Diagnon Corporation, a Rockville-based biotechnology firm, provides developmental, applied and basic research and service to the U.S. government through grants and contracts.

CONTACT: John C. Landon, chief executive officer, Diagnon Corporation, 301-258-9477.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Humphrey Inc. (NASDAQ: HUPH) today announced it has received a new contract from Rockwell International (NYSE: ROK), Tactical Systems Division, Duluth, Ga., in excess of $600,000 for spring-driven free gyroscopes.

The gyros are for the Army's HELLFIRE modular missile system. Delivery will begin in late 1991, following completion of a current $5 million contract for the same gyros.

The company's backlog is now approximately $30 million. Humphrey qualified to supply gyros for HELLFIRE in 1987.

Humphrey Inc. is a leading supplier of gyroscopes and electromechanical devices to the aerospace and defense industries with sales and representation worldwide.

CONTACT: D.J. Streed of Humphrey Inc., 619-565-6631.

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HIGH POINT, NC (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - LADD Furniture, Inc. (NASDAQ-MNS: LADF) chairman Don A. Hunziker announced today that the company plans to take a 1990 fourth quarter noncash accounting charge related to previously-announced manufacturing consolidations at a number of LADD operating companies.

Hunziker said the exact amount of the restructuring charge will not be determined until mid-January, but estimated that it will be in the range of $8.0-$9.0 million pretax, or approximately $.25-$.30 per share on an aftertax basis. He said the charge includes reserves and charges relating to the planned sale of certain furniture factories which have been idled by LADD's 1990 manufacturing consolidation program.

"Throughout 1990," Hunziker said, "each of our 11 furniture businesses conducted a thorough review of its anticipated manufacturing capacity needs during the coming 3-5 years. As a result of this collective process, seven of our furniture plants have been or will be closed.

"At the same time, we plan to make substantial capital investments in our remaining 25 factories. For example, LADD's directors recently approved $3.5 million in new capital spending for the expansion of our Monroe, N.C., and Martinsville, Va., factories. Restructuring moves such as these will significantly enhance LADD's long-term manufacturing efficiency.

"However," Hunziker concluded, "even after this restructuring charge, we anticipate that uncertainties in the overall U.S. economy and resulting softness in furniture demand will continue to put pressure on LADD's earnings well into 1991."

Headquartered in High Point, N.C., LADD is one of the largest U.S. producers of residential and contract furniture, marketing its broad range of wood, upholstered and metal furniture under the major brand names American Drew, American of Martinsville, Barclay, Brown Jordan, Clayton Marcus, Daystrom, Design Horizons, Lea Industries and Pennsylvania House.

LADD also owns and operates two support companies - Lea Lumber & Plywood and LADD Transportation - and its stock is traded on the over-the-counter National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol LADF.

CONTACT: John J. Ong, LADD Furniture, Inc., (919) 888-6353.

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ANN ARBOR, MI (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. John Psarouthakis announced today that he is leaving J.P. Industries, Inc. and forming a new company, JPE. inc., to concentrate on selective acquisition and operation of durable-goods businesses.

Dr. Psarouthakis founded JPI in 1979 and led the company over the last 11 years as it grew to more than $500 million annual sales and a place on the Fortune 500 list. The company was acquired earlier this year by T&N plc of Manchester, England, a worldwide supplier of automotive parts and components.

"I have overseen the merging of the business into T&N and now is a natural time to move on this new enterprise, JPE," Psarouthakis said. "JPI's spectacular growth demonstrates the potential for application of modern technology and management methods to durable goods manufacturing in the United States. I shall continue to promote the modernization of American industry through acquisitions and improvement activities in the new enterprise, JPE."

Dr. Psarouthakis is chairman of the Michigan Strategic Fund and vice chairman of the Industrial Technology Institute. He is a trustee of Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, and is active on advisory boards at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the University of Michigan and Eastern Michigan University.

CONTACT: Larry T. Eiler of Larry T. Eiler Incorporated, 313-761-3399, or after hours, 313-995-2551, for J.P. Industries, Inc.

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#90351p3716 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANTON, OH (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Summit Environmental Group, Inc. announced today that John R. Miller has been elected to its board of directors. Miller is a managing director and the founder of TBN Holdings Inc., which was formed in 1988 to acquire manufacturing and specialty chemical companies.

Commenting on the announcement, Theodore Savastano, president and chief executive officer of Summit Environmental Group said, "John Miller brings to Summit the experience and knowledge he has gained from his outstanding corporate leadership. We are very pleased to have him as a member of our board of directors."

Prior to TBN Holdings, Miller held a variety of positions with The Standard Oil Company for more than two decades, including six years as president, chief operating officer and director of the company. Before assuming that role, he was senior vice president, Technology and Chemicals, and also served as vice president of finance and vice president of Transportation during the time that the Trans Alaska Pipeline was being constructed and put into operation.

Miller is currently a director of Eaton Corporation, The Great Lakes Companies Inc. and TPG Capital Corporation. He also serves as chairman of the board of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland. He previously served as director of White Consolidated Industries, Inc., which was acquired by Electrolux, and as a director of National City Corporation and National City Bank, positions

which he relinquished in order to accept appointment to the board of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland.

Active in civic affairs, Miller is a member of the board of trustees of the University of Cincinnati Foundation and has served as trustee and chairman of the Greater Cleveland Round-table, trustee of the Greater Cleveland Growth Association, trustee and member of the executive committee of the National Urban League and member of the Business Advisory Council of the Graduate School of Industrial Administration of Carnegie-Mellon University.

A native of Lima, Ohio, Miller holds degrees from the University of Cincinnati in Chemical Engineering and Honorary Doctor of Commercial Science.

Summit Environmental Group, Inc. is an integrated environmental services holding company with operations throughout the midwestern and northeastern United States. Areas of service include assessment and engineering, on-site remediation, waste minimization and pretreatment, air quality, municipal infrastructure services and contract management operations for municipal and industrial waste water systems.

CONTACT: Theodore Savastano, president and chief executive officer of Summit Environmental Group, 216-455-7333; or Carol Makovich of Hill and Knowlton, 212 697-5600 ext. 3770, for Summit Environmental Group.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Topps Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: TOPPC) today reported record sales and earnings for the nine months and third quarter ended Dec. 1, 1990.

Net sales for the nine months increased to $222,474,000 as compared with $179,087,000 for the same period last year. Net income increased to $40,367,000, or $.86 per share, from last year's $27,043,000, or $.58 per share.

For the third quarter, net sales increased to $65,039,000 as compared with $60,354,000 for the same period last year. Net income increased to $12,197,000 or $.26 per share, from last year's $8,476,000, or $.18 per share.

Arthur T. Shorin, chairman, stated that third quarter results reflect continued growth in all segments of the business - collectibles, gum, and candy. He added that trade and collector response to the introduction of Topps 1991 baseball product, a special 40th anniversary set, has been excellent.

During the first nine months, the company repaid $43,000,000 of its long-term debt, reducing its indebtedness to $42,000,0000 as of Dec. 1, 1990. The company has prepaid more than $65,000,000 of its term loan and is 3-1/2 years

ahead of its debt repayment schedule.

Topps is well known for its collectible picture products, which feature sports and other entertainment themes, and its internationally registered trademark, BAZOOKA.

THE TOPPS COMPANY, INC. (Consolidated, Unaudited)
(Amounts in thousands, except share data)

Periods	Nine Months		Third Quarter	
Ended	12/1/90	11/25/89	12/1/90	11/25/89
Net sales	$222,474	$179,087	$ 65,039	$ 60,354
Income before taxes	69,573	46,607	21,030	14,542
Taxes on income	29,206	19,564	8,833	6,066
Net income	$ 40,367	$ 27,043	$ 12,197	$ 8,476
Earnings per share	$.86	$.58	$.26	$.18
Weighted average shares outstanding	47,021,339	46,990,863	47,032,198	47,005,491

CONTACT: John Perillo, vice president-controller of Topps, (718) 768-8900, ext. 465.

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#90351p3718 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

TALLAHASSEE, FL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Killearn Properties Inc. (AMEX: KPI) today announced their financial information for the six months ended Oct. 31.

The company reported a profit of $836,753 ($.58 per share) for the six months ended Oct. 31, compared to $751,555 ($.52 per share) for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1989. For the three months ended Oct. 31, the company reported a profit of $504,374 ($.35 per share), compared to $502,315 ($.35 per share) for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1989.

Earnings per share are calculated based upon fully diluted shares of 1,437,807 for the six months ended Oct. 31; 1,440,966 for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1989; 1,436,581 for the three months ended Oct. 31; and 1,439,985 for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1989.

Revenues were $10,724,658 for the six months ended Oct. 31, compared to $8,245,456 for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1989. Revenues for the three months ended Oct. 31 were $5,669,317, compared to $4,231,682 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989.

The company continues to be concerned over certain aspects of the new Florida Growth Management Act as it relates to a portion of its Florida operations.

The income for the quarter is not necessarily indicative of the results expected for the year.

CONTACT: J.T. Williams, president of Killearn Properties, 904-893-2111.

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PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - CP Rail and Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR) today announced the successful conclusion of negotiations regarding the use of Conrail tracks by CP Rail's new subsidiary, D&H Corp., and other related issues raised by CP Rail's pending purchase of the Delaware & Hudson Railway.

The announcement was made by I.B. Scott, CP Rail's chairman and chief executive officer, and James A. Hagen, Conrail's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

The agreement calls for a direct link of CP Rail and the D&H using Conrail's tracks between Buffalo and Niagara Falls, N.Y., and revises the terms of all of D&H's operating rights over Conrail's lines.

As a result of the agreement, Conrail will withdraw its request for arbitration of D&H's operating rights between Buffalo and Niagara Falls.

The agreement also provides an option for CP Rail to purchase that portion of Conrail's Southern Tier Line running between Buffalo and Binghamton, N.Y.

Both parties expressed appreciation for the encouragement and assistance of New York State Commissioner of Transportation Franklin White and his staff in helping resolve this issue and reach a negotiated agreement.

Scott said: "The resolution of the Buffalo-Niagara Falls link removes the last remaining significant obstacle to completing CP Rail's purchase of the D&H. We expect to begin service through the Niagara gateway in about a week and to achieve final closing of the purchase within the next few weeks. This negotiated settlement also provides for direct D&H service to the South Philadelphia port area over Conrail lines, and D&H looks forward to playing a role in the recovery of the port."

Hagen said: "Conrail looks forward to the stability CP Rail will bring to the D&H's operations, and to new opportunities made possible by coordinating Conrail and strengthened D&H services. We welcome a revitalized D&H both as a significant connection to Conrail and through. D&H's contribution to Conrail's costs as a user of Conrail's lines. The negotiated settlement establishes a sound commercial basis for our relationship."

White said: "I congratulate CP, Conrail and the New York State Department of Transportation's Commercial Transport Division for their strong spirit of cooperation in the joint development of the best commercial solution to meet

the needs of the business community in New York state and the Northeast region."

CONTACT: John Cox of CP Rail, 416-863-8196 or Robert L. Libkind or Jean C. Kirshenbaum of Conrail, 215-977-4594.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Petrotechnical Open Software Corporation (POSC), a not-for-profit, membership corporation founded by five major oil companies, is in the start-up phase of operations in Houston.

POSC intends to build a worldwide partnership between the customers and the suppliers of technical software for the oil industry. POSC's mission is to develop and deliver a software integration platform that will be the common reference of the international exploration and production industry. The benefit for all members will be the opening and extension of the E&P software market and the ability to focus on business added value.

"The formation of POSC will provide a cooperative vehicle for applications suppliers and consumers to achieve the most effective and efficient platform to serve the industry," said Dan Turner, president and chief executive officer of POSC.

The corporation will focus on the specifications of an integrated logical data model, an application programming interface, a common look and feel user front-end, and a set of test suites to certify compliance branding of vendor software. POSC will work with the industry through an open, independent process to achieve this goal, and will promote relevant research and development.

"The purpose of POSC is to help make the industry more efficient by allowing companies to allocate their resources on their own, independent E&P efforts, rather than on integrating different software packages," said Turner.

"As the industry has increased its use of technical computing systems, the need to develop a single standard platform has grown. The oil industry is one of several industries going through similar standardization processes."

The founding sponsors of POSC, BP Exploration, Chevron, Elf Aquitaine, Mobil Exploration and Producing, and Texaco, have appointed representatives to the POSC board of directors and the board has elected the corporations officers.

Membership in POSC is open to all, including corporations, business entities, not-for-profit organizations, government agencies, and academic institutions. Membership fees are tiered to allow small companies to pay less than large companies, with the intent of encouraging broad representation within POSC.

Two levels of membership exist, sponsors and members. Sponsors make a multi-year commitment to participation while members can join on a year-to-year, renewable membership. For information on membership in POSC, contact Dan N. Turner, chief executive officer, 10777 Westheimer, Suite 275, Houston, TX 77042.

CONTACT: Dan Turner, chief executive officer of POSC, 713-552-6126.

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#90351p3726 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Norwest Corporation (NYSE: NOB) announced today that it has completed the acquisition of First Minnesota Savings Bank, adding assets of $3 billion and 31 locations statewide. With the acquisition, Norwest now has 123 banking locations throughout Minnesota, banking assets in the state of $13.8 billion and total assets of $29.6 billion. The acquisition is the single largest banking expansion in Norwest history.

Norwest also announced its plans today for consolidating the Twin Cities seven-county metro area offices of First Minnesota, effective Monday, Feb. 4, 1991.

The plans call for: -- keeping open 27 locations of First Minnesota in the Twin Cities area as offices of Norwest Bank Minnesota;

-- consolidating 11 First Minnesota offices into nearby Norwest Bank Minnesota offices in the Twin Cities; and consolidating one Norwest office into a nearby First Minnesota office.

"This plan, the result of months of analysis, was done with the needs of our customers, employees and communities uppermost in our minds," said Wes Hein, Norwest's regional president for Twin Cities community banking. "With the combined strength and convenient locations of Norwest and First Minnesota, we'll be able to provide better service than ever before to all of our customers throughout the Twin Cities area."

With the merger of First Minnesota, the number of Norwest locations in the Twin Cities increases from 51 to 78 and in all of Minnesota from 93 to 123.

Norwest announced in June it will consolidate First Minnesota offices into Norwest locations in Marshall, Red Wing, Rochester and St. Cloud, and convert First Minnesota offices into Norwest locations in Duluth, New Ulm and Willmar.

Because a Minnesota law generally prohibits a bank from entering communities of less than 10,000 population with a branch without the consent of other banks in those communities, Norwest will sell the First Minnesota office in Luverne, close First Minnesota offices in Canby and Olivia and intends to establish a banking office just outside the city limits of Waseca.

Norwest Corporation is a $29.6 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking-related and specialized financial services through 1,386 offices in 47 states and internationally.

CONTACT: Larry Haeg of Norwest Corporation, 612-667-7043.

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#90351p3727 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Calvary Partners L.P. announced today that its lawsuit against Diceon Electronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: DICN) to obtain Diceon's shareholder list under Delaware law was settled when the company agreed to produce the list.

Calvary Partners filed the suit in the Delaware Chancery Court on Dec. 7, 1990 after the company had failed to comply with Calvary's request under Delaware law on Nov. 27, 1990. Calvary stated in its request that the purpose was to enable it "to communicate with Diceon's other shareholders in connection with matters of common interest relative to the affairs of the corporation..."

Calvary Holdings, Inc., an affiliate of Calvary Partners L.P. commenced a tender offer for all of the outstanding common shares of Diceon at $5.25 per share on Dec. 6.

Calvary Holdings, Inc. was formed by Calvary Partners, L.P., a San Diego-based LBO research and deal origination firm. Diceon, headquartered in Irvine, Calif., manufactures sophisticated multi-layer printed circuit boards for the computer industry.

CONTACT: C. Brian Maddox of Georgeson & Company, 212-246-2981, for Calvary Partners L.P.

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MADERA, CA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Shareholders of Madera Valley Bank Friday, Dec. 14, approved the company's pending acquisition by Bank of Fresno, a subsidiary of ValliCorp Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: VALY). Shareholders will receive $14.25 in cash for each of the 423,500 Madera Valley Bank shares outstanding, including shares subject to existing stock options. Total cost of acquisition by Bank of Fresno is approximately $6 million. Pending regulatory approval, a first quarter closing date is projected.

Hal Giomi, president and CEO of Madera Valley Bank, stated, "The directors and I are delighted with the acquisition and the return to our shareholders. Being part of the Central Valley's largest independent bank holding company will provide both customers and the community with a wide range of financial

services -- a significant benefit to the Madera market."

John Brocks, president and CEO of ValliCorp and Bank of Fresno, stated, "Bank of Fresno will now be able to service the growing Madera market and expand the customer base developed so well by Madera Valley Bank. We are excited about this new opportunity and look forward to being part of the area's dynamic growth potential."

On Sept. 30, 1990, Madera Valley Bank reported total assets of $41,958,000, a total shareholders' equity of $3,690,000 and 1990 year- to-date income of $341,000. Madera Valley Bank began operations in 1980 and operates one branch in the city of Madera. It is Madera's only independent community bank.

On Sept. 30, 1990 ValliCorp reported total assets of $370,837,000, stockholders' equity of $30,399,000, and 1990 year-to-date income of $2,011,000. ValliCorp operates two banking subsidiaries: Bank of Fresno with six branches in Fresno and one each in Clovis, Sanger and Kingsburg; and Merced Bank of Commerce, N.A., which operates one branch in Merced.

CONTACT: Diane Decker of ValliCorp Bank of Fresno, investor relations, 209-221-2384; Hal Giomi, president & CEO of Madera Valley Bank, 209-673-2271; Gary Strong of The Financial Relations Board in Chicago, 312-266-7800 for ValliCorp; Scottie Spurzem of The Financial Relations Board in San Francisco, 415-986-1591, for ValliCorp.

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#90351p3731 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Recognition Equipment Incorporated (NYSE: REC) today announced it was increasing its fourth quarter loss to $16,809,000, or $1.65 primary loss per share of common stock from the previous reported loss of $14,380,000, or $1.41 primary loss per share.

The increase is attributable to certain non-cash currency translation losses recognized as a result of the liquidation of the company's European headquarters organization. This liquidation is planned to occur in 1991 and 1992. A decision to liquidate the headquarters was made by the company in conjunction with the previously announced sale of a number of its European subsidiaries.

The net loss for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990, is $31,687,000, or $3.10 primary loss per share of common stock compared to the previously reported $29,258,000, or $2.86 primary loss per share.

Recognition, headquartered in Dallas, and its wholly owned subsidiary, Plexus Software, Inc., manufacture, sell and service image and data capture hardware and software systems for customers throughout the world.

CONTACT: Melinda Swift of Recognition Equipment, 214-579-5971.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Seagull Energy Corporation (NYSE: SGO) announced today that it will not proceed with its previously announced plans to acquire a portfolio of natural gas and oil producing properties, reserves, and leasehold acreage from Mesa Limited Partnership (NYSE: MLP).

The two companies had previously executed a definitive agreement calling for Seagull to acquire the Mesa assets in early 1991, subject to customary regulatory clearances and to Seagull arranging acceptable financing.

Seagull Chairman Barry J. Galt explained, "After assessing the uncertainties prevalent in today's financial markets, we have become convinced that the properties could not be financed on reasonably acceptable terms. Therefore, it would not be in the best interests of Seagull and its shareholders to pursue the negotiated acquisition further."

Galt added that Seagull will also withdraw a registration statement it recently filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission to sell three million shares of common stock to finance a portion of the potential acquisition.

CONTACT: Alan Payne of Seagull Energy, (713) 951-4700.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Sports-Tech International, Inc. (NASDAQ: STXL) today announced the introduction of three additions to its complete line of video-editing and analysis systems:

STVE2 The advantage of the Sports-Tech Video Editor-2 (STVE2) is that it has most of the benefits of Sports-Tech's large computer-based video editor (STVE) -- but with a significantly lower price tag. STVE2's computer also has "memory" -- once a game is edited, it remains in the system for as long as the coach wants it.

STVE2 also accepts data directly from most game analysis programs, allowing each coach to provide each member of his staff with a custom breakdown tape matching his specific game analysis requirements. STVE2 will allow coaches of small colleges and high schools to edit their games like the pros do on their big-price-tag systems.

The 3-in-One The 3-in-One is an all-inclusive manual system that allows coaches to simultaneously tape and edit three separate

situations on the field. Immediately after the game, the coach has five tapes: two master game tapes, offensive play, defensive play and special teams. The innovative LX-25 remote control -- designed by Sports-Tech engineers -- allows tapes to be broken down right on the field.

The 3-in-One opens up new markets for video-editing. Golf and tennis are good examples of sports which would benefit from the addition of motion analysis.

The VA-10 Sports-Tech's exclusive VA-10 manual video-editor provides a sophisticated application of video-editing and makes a new level of technology accessible to every sports program. It offers all the advantages of Sports-Tech's low-cost VA-1 system and much more.

The VA-10 edit control panel is capable of controlling up to nine output VCRs and one input VCR at the same time -- a coach can create up to nine different tapes with a single pass. And the VA-10 is adaptable to almost all sports -- allowing teams to share expenses.

Sports-Tech chairman, Michael Levy states: "We feel the addition of STVE2, the 3-in-One and the VA-10 to our existing product line has given us the ability to address the video-editing needs of every team and almost every sport. We now have a system that can fit within any school or team's budget. These new systems confirm our leadership in the high-tech video-editing industry at all levels of competition: professional, collegiate and high school."

Sports-Tech International, based in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., develops and markets proprietary high-tech video-editing and game analysis systems to the collegiate, high school and professional sports coaching markets.

Sports-Tech video-editing and analysis systems are used by 14 NFL, nine NBA and over 100 NCAA teams, including the San Francisco 49ers, Notre Dame, Portland Trail Blazers and UNLV. Additonally, 26 college football teams playing in 18 out of 19 holiday bowl games this year use Sports-Tech systems.

CONTACT: Michael Levy, chairman of Sports-Tech International, Inc., 305-772-9155.

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#90351p3736 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUDSON, NH (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Howtek, Inc. (AMEX: HTK) today announced that it has sold three of its Colorscan four-color electronic pre-press production systems to four West Coast newspapers: The Spokane Review/Spokane Chronicle (both published by Cowles Publishing of Spokane, Wash.), the Monterey Peninsula Herald, and the Santa Maria Times, both located in California.

The newspapers are published daily mornings, evenings, and Sunday, with a total circulation of over 200,000.

Colorscan is a turnkey solution for electronically integrated production that produces plate-ready films of fully assembled newspaper pages. The text, lineart, color and monochrome images are electronically composed to produce four-color film separations. The Colorscan system includes installation, training, support, and system enhancements to accommodate an open system growth path.

Howtek, Inc. designs, engineers and develops computer peripherals and systems for the color graphics market.

The company was founded in 1984 by Robert Howard, who was also founder and president of Centronics Data Computer Corporation from 1969 to 1980.

CONTACT: Vikki Quick of Howtek, 603-882-5200; or Alex Ross of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Howtek.

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MONTREAL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Sand Technology Systems International (NASDAQ: SNDCF) today announced a net income of C$291,390 or C$0.07 per share, on sales amounting to C$6,859,208 for the first fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Sand chairman Arthur G. Ritchie stated that the increase in profits was primarily due to the profit swing in its joint venture company, the company's affiliate, Hitachi Data Systems Inc. ("HDS Canada").

Sand Technology Systems International markets complete large-scale IBM compatible computer systems in Canada and computer printers and sophisticated information systems products in the U.S.A. To date Sand and its affiliates have installed equipment valued in excess of C$350 million.

SAND TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS INT'L INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited, in Canadian dollars)

Three months ended Oct. 31:	1990	1989
Net Sales	$6,859,208	$11,321,515
Net Income	$ 291,390	$ 243,962
Net Income Per Share	$ 0.07	$ 0.05
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	4,431,028	4,747,931

CONTACT: Director of Administration, Sand Technology Systems International Inc., (514) 875-4502.

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MIAMI (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Orexana Corporation (NASDAQ: XXAU) has entered into a letter of intent with a securities broker-dealer for a proposed private placement of a minimum of 20,000 and a maximum of 50,000 shares of 10 percent cumulative convertible preferred stock at a price of $100 per share. The shares would be convertible into shares of Orexana's common stock at a conversion price of $.90 per share, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. The net proceeds of the proposed offering, which are estimated to range from approximately $1,600,000 to $4,250,000, will be used to finance increased purchases of gold and silver, working capital and general corporate purposes. The letter of intent is not binding on either party and there can be no assurance that a successful private placement will occur.

CONTACT: Duvan Arboleda or Daisy Puns, 305-624-8882, of Orexana Corporation.

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GLENVIEW, IL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Zenith Electronics Corporation (NYSE: ZE) and AT&T (NYSE: T) today announced they are developing a high-performance, all-digital high-definition television system that would solve the fundamental problems of digital simulcast HDTV.

The Zenith/AT&T system introduces novel digital technologies to transmit HDTV signals without interference and to compress HDTV signals with full high-definition resolution. The system would:

-- Provide true high-definition, movie-theater quality pictures and four-channel compact-disc-quality digital audio -- transmitted to the same service area as today's TV signals, without noise, even in fringe reception areas;

-- Offer interference-free and noise-free high-definition signals not only for terrestrial broadcasting, but also for cable, satellite, fiber and VCRs;

-- Transmit 1,575 horizontal picture lines each 1/30th of a second -- for higher resolution HDTV images than competing systems based on 1,125 or 1,050 lines; and

-- Use progessive scan with square pixels to make it easier to interface with computer workstations and to eliminate the jagged edges and other motion artifacts that degrade TV picture performance of other proposed interlaced-scan HDTV systems.

Based on 18 months of cooperative team research by Zenith, AT&T Bell Laboratories and AT&T Microelectronics, the system expands the capabilities of Zenith's original partially digital "Spectrum Compatible" (SC-HDTV) simulcast

system, and is designed to incorporate techniques based on AT&T's research in digital video compression, channel equalization (ghost canceling) and advanced high-speed processors.

Zenith is responsible for the system definition and transmission technology, AT&T Bell Laboratories for the design and implementation of a new video compression system, and AT&T Microelectronics for the semiconductor technology.

The all-digital transmission system builds on key elements of the partially digital "Spectrum Compatible" HDTV simulcast system that would allow use of the taboo channels by eliminating interference between HDTV signals and current NTSC television signals.

CONTACT: John Taylor of Zenith Electronics 708-391-8181; Bob Ford of AT&T Bell Labs, 201-564-4260; or Mary Lou Ambrus of AT&T Microelectronics, 201-771-2825.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The First Australia Prime Income Fund, Inc. (AMEX: FAX), a closed-end bond fund, today declared a regular monthly dividend of $0.09 per share, payable on Jan. 11, 1991 to all shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

This dividend is consistent with the policy adopted by the fund's board of directors on Oct. 24, 1988 of declaring a regular monthly dividend of $0.09 per share, which commenced in February 1989.

Qualifying U.S. taxpayers are additionally entitled to a foreign withholding tax credit on this dividend, and will be informed as to the amount at a later date.

At the time of its offering in April 1986, The First Australia Prime Income Fund was the largest-ever initial public offering on the American Stock Exchange. The fund has net assets in excess of $1 billion.

The fund's policy is to invest at least 65 percent of its portfolio in Australian issuers or debt securities rated AA or better. The fund is advised by EquitiLink Australia Limited, a leading mutual fund manager in Australia.

CONTACT: Brian Sherman of The First Australia Prime Income Fund, 011-612-258-8222; or Marissa Moretti or George Arvantides of Dewe Rogerson, (212) 688-6840, for First Australia Prime Income Fund.

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CLEVELAND (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - LTV Steel has received the 1990 Quality Achievement Award from Nissan Motor Manufacturing Corp., U.S.A. LTV Steel was the only steel company and one of only six suppliers to receive the top designation from Nissan, which purchases supplies for its Smyrna, Tenn. auto plant from 150 domestic companies.

LTV Steel supplies Nissan's Smyrna, Tenn. plant with flat rolled steel produced at the company's Cleveland Works. The award recognizes the consistently high levels of product quality and technical support services provided by LTV Steel.

"LTV Steel's mission is to help our customers succeed in their businesses," said David H. Hoag, president and chief executive officer.

"Receiving the highest quality award from Nissan," he said, "is an honor to our Cleveland employees and their continuing pursuit of perfection."

LTV Steel's Cleveland Works is the largest flat rolled steel producing complex in North America and employs more than 6,000 people. LTV Steel is the nation's leading producer of high quality engineered flat rolled steels for demanding applications. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of The LTV Corporation (NYSE: QLTV), a diversified company also involved in aerospace/defense and energy products.

CONTACT: Mark R. Tomasch, 216-622-4635, or Beverly J. Simpson, 216-622-4622, both of LTV Steel.

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#90351p3751 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - British Airways (BA) has announced it will increase service to Miami with two additional B-747 flights per week, starting on Jan. 11, 1991. This will bring the number of British Airways' flights from two to three, on Fridays and Sundays.

"We are very pleased about British Airways' decision to increase service to Miami, for it attests to Miami's growing popularity as a destination for visitors from the United Kingdom," said Aviation Director Frederick A. Elder.

British Airways will now have a total of three Concorde SST and nine B-747 flights per week. The two additional flights will arrive in Miami at 7:15 p.m. and will depart at 10 p.m.

CONTACT: Amaury Zuriarrain, Amalia Dobson or Chris Mangos of Metro-Dade Aviation Department, 305-876-7016.

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VALLEY FORGE, PA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Alco Standard Corp. (NYSE: ASN) and Nestle today announced they were entering in to an agreement in which Nestle will acquire the domestic and foreign operations of Alco's Drumstick Co.

Ray B. Mundt, chairman and chief executive officer of Alco Standard Corp., said, "This transaction is the first step of our plan to divest our Food Systems businesses. These companies have been well managed and we are extremely pleased that Nestle is purchasing Drumstick since Nestle is committed to the ice cream novelty market."

The sale is anticipated to close in January 1991 and fits with Nestle's strategy of growing its ice cream business.

"This acquisition makes Nestle a U.S. leader in frozen ice cream novelties," said James M. Biggar, chairman and chief executive officer of Nestle Enterprises Inc. "The high-quality Drumstick products match well with the Nestle ice cream products such as Crunch, Baby Ruth, 100 Grand and Butterfinger ice cream bars and Bon Bons brand ice cream nuggets," Biggar added.

"Under new ownership, the management and employees of Drumstick will continue to have an opportunity to make important contributions to the growth and success of the business," Biggar said. "Ralph Denisco will continue as president in the Columbus headquarters," Biggar added.

The divestiture of the remaining Alco Food Systems companies will be completed by mid-year, according to Mundt.

Alco Standard Corp., headquartered in Valley Forge, is a publicly owned distribution and services company.

Nestle is the largest food company in the world. In this country it includes Carnation Co., headquartered in Glendale, Calif.; Nestle Enterprises Inc., headquartered in Solon, Ohio; and Alcon Laboratories Inc., headquartered in Fort Worth, Texas.

CONTACT: David B. Kirkland of Alco Standard, 215-296-8000, or at home, 215-542-9025, or Judy Ernest of Nestle Enterprises, 216-349-5757, or at home, 216-468-0536.

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#90351p3754 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Sports-Tech International, Inc. (NASDAQ: STXL) today announced expansion of operations into two new regions: Texas and Ohio.

Both offices are managed by former football coaches with playing experience. By hiring coaches, Sports-Tech has been able to develop outstanding relationships with the coaching market.

Sports-Tech also anticipates the opening of offices on the West Coast sometime after the first of the year.

SPORTS-TECH TO PURSUE HIGH SCHOOL MARKET As a result of extremely positive test-market findings, Sports-Tech engineers have developed three new systems intended for use by high schools, small colleges, minor sports teams in large colleges and Olympic sports teams. The technology is based on Sports-Tech systems used by NFL, NBA and NCAA college teams. These systems can also be sold as back-up or traveling systems to Sports-Tech's present clients.

EXCLUSIVE VIDEO AND COMPUTER EXHIBITOR AT FRANK GLAZIER FOOTBALL CLINICS

Sports-Tech has acquired the rights to be the exclusive video-editing and analysis systems exhibitor at the Frank Glazier Football Clinics. Established 15 years ago to train coaching staffs to become more knowledgeable and make football a safer and better sport, the clinic is run by football coaches. Starting out with just four clinics a year, it has grown to 13 clinics and is now the largest football clinic in the country with over 10,000 high school and college football coaches attending each year.

Sports-Tech International, based in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., develops and markets proprietary high-tech video-editing and game analysis systems to the collegiate, high school and professional sports coaching markets.

Sports-Tech video-editing and analysis systems are used by 14 NFL, nine NBA and over 100 NCAA teams, including the San Francisco 49ers, Notre Dame, Portland Trail Blazers and UNLV. Additionally, 26 college football teams playing in 18 out of 19 holiday bowl games this year use Sports-Tech systems.

CONTACT: Michael Levy, chairman of Sports-Tech International, Inc., 305-772-9155.

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#90351p3757 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHAWNEE, OK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Barton Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: BART) has formed a special committee to the board to consider a shareholder proposal and to review certain matters pertaining to actions of its law firm, it was announced today by the company. The special committee indicates that two prior releases of Dec. 10 and Dec. 14 were incorrect and unauthorized by management and the board.

The company expected to report a good operating profit for 1990, although

corporate non-cash charges unrelated to operations will reduce the reported results. The reported 1990 results will show considerable improvement from the prior 1989 levels, and the operating comparison will be even stronger. Analysts estimate fiscal 1990 revenues at $27 million. Revenue rose from $4.5 million in 1987 to $13.7 million in 1989. Analysts' 1991 estimates show $80-110 million for revenue, $17-20 million or $0.85-1.00 per share for income and $20-22 million or $1.00-1.10 per share for cash flow.

In response to inquiry, Chairman Johnson stated, "We know of no comparable oil service company trading at multiples of 2.2-2.5 times analysts' estimates of 1991 earnings and 2.0-2.2 times their estimates of operating cash flow, as Barton is currently." Several comparable companies are in the range of 6-10 times analysts' 1991 earnings estimates, and larger oil service companies are generally at 10-15 times analysts' 1991 earnings estimates.

The company does expect to take certain charges in connection with corporate matters in closing out the 1990 fiscal year, as had been indicated. These are non-cash charges and do not pertain to operations. A significant charge involves expensing shares issued in connection with the employee stock incentive plan, where these had previously been amortized over five years. Additional charges for expensing start-up costs on the Service Centers and certain software development costs will benefit future comparisons.

Johnson detailed the "manufacturing problem" that had been referred to on Dec. 10. This did not involve Barton's own manufacturing operations, which have experienced no variance from expectations. Barton's Shawnee, Okla., plant has been running at 20 hours per day since shortly after the invasion of Kuwait. A supplier experienced delays in delivering circuit boards to Barton's specifications for use in Barton's Pump-Off Control (POC) units on two occasions. The effect on Barton's fourth quarter financials was to increase inventory and reduce cash by some $3 million, while postponing sales of completed POCs by some 120 days until the unaccepted inventory was repaired and returned. The supplier's delay did reduce Barton's revenues and earnings. The most significant effect involves cancellation of a sale which will result in restatement of the third quarter whereby $1 million of revenue and $0.6 million of profit will be reversed. The supplier corrected its problem in mid-September and no further interruption in sales of Barton's POC units is expected.

CONTACT: C.W. Earl Johnson, chairman, or Mark H. McKinsey of Barton, 405-273-7660.

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#90351p3762 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORCROSS, GA. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Stockholder Systems Inc. (SSI), a NYNEX (NYSE: NYN) company, and Stratus Computer Inc. (NYSE: SRA), Marlboro, Mass., today announced a marketing agreement under which SSI will market and support

the first full-function funds transfer software system, Financial Exchange, for Stratus' fault-tolerant family of XA(TM)2000 Continuous Processing(R) computers.

The agreement is aimed at addressing the needs of U.S. commercial banks, which electronically transmit and process payments on behalf of their corporate customers.

The funds transfer product will be the first SSI will market on midrange and high-end computers. The move also marks the first time the company will make financial application software available on fault-tolerant systems.

Financial Exchange will allow banks to integrate domestic and international payments and process financial messages from the Federal Reserve, S.W.I.F.T. and Telex networks. Under the agreement, SSI acquired the product from Stratus and will make it commercially available in 1991. Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

Financial Exchange handles both front-end communications links to the payments networks as well as back-end processing of financial messages. Multi-bank and multi-site features provide a way to extend uniform money transfer capabilities for financial institutions and bank holding companies with any number of affiliates. The product's risk management support system reduces the chance of overdraft and fraud. Financial Exchange also provides a defined interface to other bank applications, enabling banks to provide better-integrated products and services to their corporate customers.

Founded in 1971, SSI designs, markets and supports a line of financial application software. SSI has over 1,200 customers who use SSI's software for check processing, securityholder recordkeeping, electronic funds transfer, cash management, lease accounting, loan origination, safe box accounting, loan recovery, loan servicing, secondary marketing and report distribution. SSI is a member of the NYNEX family of companies.

CONTACT: Jimmy Locklear of SSI, 404-840-1401, or Denise Ferbas of Stratus, 508-460-2742

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#90351p3763 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SECAUCUS, NJ (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Milton Petrie, chairman of the board of Petrie Stores Corporation (NYSE: PST), announced today that the board of directors has voted a regular quarterly dividend of $.05 per share on the company's common stock payable Jan. 22, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 7, 1991.

Additionally, Petrie further announced the election of Peter A. Left, executive vice president, chief financial officer and secretary, and Allan

Laufgraben, executive vice president and president of the company's "Plus" size division, as directors of the company, increasing the size of the board from eight to 10 members.

Petrie Stores operates a chain of 1,645 women's specialty stores in 48 states (including Hawaii and Alaska), Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the District of Columbia, which specializes in the retail sale of a full selection of women's apparel at moderate prices to teen, junior and contemporary miss customers.

CONTACT: Peter A. Left, secretary of Petrie Stores, 201-866-3600.

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#90351p3764 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST MILLSTONE, NJ (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Kenneth H. Harper, president and chief executive officer of Applied Bioscience International Inc. (NASDAQ: APBI) announced that the board of directors of the company today approved a two-for-one stock split on the common stock of the company, payable, by way of a stock dividend, to holders of record on Dec. 28, 1990. The stock distribution will be paid on Jan. 11, 1991.

APBI is a broadly based scientific research and development company, providing services under contract to the pharmaceutical, agrochemical, general chemical and food industries. Its wholly owned subsidiary, ENVIRON International, provides chemical risk assessment and environmental risk management services.

CONTACT: John Timoney, vice president and CFO of Applied Bioscience, 201-873-2550, or John McNamara, president of John McNamara Advertising, Inc., 212-509-7779, for Applied Bioscience.

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#90351p3768 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Integrated Resources, Inc., today announced it has entered into an agreement to sell its subsidiaries' general partnership interests in and advisory agreements with the four American Insured Mortgage Investors (AIM) series of limited partnerships to AIM Acquisition Corporation, a new company that includes The Goldman Sachs Group, L.P., parent of the international investment banking and brokerage firm, and Broad Inc., the diversified financial services company.

"This agreement fulfills the objectives we had when we began a search for a qualified buyer to manage the AIM Partnerships," said Stephen D. Weinroth, Integrated's chairman. "We wanted to assure investors that their partnerships would continue in the hands of capable, well respected managers, and that they could rest easy that the integrity of their partnerships would be preserved. This agreement does just that."

AIM Acquisition Corporation will pay a purchase price of $32.5 million to Integrated and its subsidiaries. As part of the transaction, Integrated will receive various additional fees payable by the AIM Partnerships for services rendered through the closing date.

The agreement is subject to certain conditions, including approval by AIM Unitholders of AIM Acquisition Corporation as the new managing general partner plus related proposals which will be voted on at a special meeting of unitholders. The date for the meeting has not yet been set.

In addition, the agreement is subject to approval by the Bankruptcy Court. Integrated Resources is operating in Chapter 11. However, the AIM Partnerships and AIM Capital Management, the Integrated subsidiary which manages them, along with Integrated Funding, Inc., the advisory subsidiary, are not in bankruptcy. The Bankruptcy Court hearing to approve the transaction is expected to be held on Jan. 7, 1991.

Included in the proposed AIM amendments to be considered at the special unitholders meeting is a reduction to 0.95 percent in the annual asset management fees payable by the four partnerships to their advisor, as well as other amendments to the Partnership Agreement. The latter includes a proposal aimed at protecting the partnerships against roll- ups without an 80 percent unitholder vote, and amendments which would limit the removal of the new managing general partner -- in this case, AIM Acquisition Corporation -- and termination of its advisory agreement, other than for cause, for a five-year period.

Under the agreement, unitholders of at least three of the four partnerships must approve the assignment of the general partnerships to AIM Aquisition Corporation. If only three partnerships approve, the sale would take place with those three, and the purchase price would be adjusted accordingly.

CONTACT: Steven S. Anreder, 212-353-6409, or 212-439-0730, or Jean Rappoport, 212-353-6408, both of Integrated Resources.

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#90351p3769 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DAYTON, OHIO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - On Dec. 14, 1990 the board of directors of Huffy Corporation (NYSE: HUF) declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.10 per share on its common stock, payable Feb. 1, 1991 to holders of record Jan. 15, 1991.

In addition, the board of directors authorized a new share repurchase of up to 500,000 shares of Huffy Corporation common stock in the open market from time to time.

Huffy Corporation is a major supplier of bicycles, basketball and hardware products, juvenile products, and a nationwide supplier of assembly and inventory services to retailers.

-0- 12/17/90 /CONTACT: Pamela J. Whipps of the Huffy Corporation, 513-866-6251/ (HUF) CO: Huffy Corporation ST: Ohio IN: RET SU: DIV

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#90351p3770 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
DENVER (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Western Gas Processors Ltd. (NYSE: WGP) announced today that its board has declared a distribution of 45 cents per unit to unitholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 31, 1990 of its $1.80 participating preference units. The distribution will be paid to unitholders on or before Feb. 14, 1991.

Western is managed by its general partner, Western Gas Resources Inc. (NYSE: WGR) and is engaged in natural gas gathering and processing, natural gas liquid production and the marketing of natural gas and natural gas liquids. Western's operations extend throughout the Rocky Mountain Region and the Southwestern United States.

Western recently announced it has an executed letter of intent with Amoco Production Co. for the purchase of Amoco's Edgewood Gas Processing Plant and related production, located near Tyler, Texas. The Edgewood Plant gathers gas produced from the Smackover formation in Eastern Texas. The closing is expected to occur by Feb. 1, 1991 with an effective date of Jan. 1, 1991.

Western is continuing to seek additional gas processing opportunities and believes that it is well positioned to take advantage of an improvement in both gas and liquids prices.

CONTACT: Teresa Massaro of Western Gas, 303-452-5603

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#90351p3773 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Morrison Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MORR), a leading diversified food services company, has awarded EDS a 10-year systems management contract under which EDS will provide complete information technology services. The contract is EDS' first in the food services industry.

Under the agreement, EDS will be responsible for Morrison's current information technology (IT) needs and development of future IT plans to support Morrison's long-term business goals.

"Our continued expansion makes EDS the only choice for Morrison," said Samuel

E. Beall III, president and chief operating officer of the company. "Having EDS will greatly improve our ability to respond to our business needs and, most importantly, our customer needs."

Morrison is a leading diversified food services company with 1,100 units throughout the U.S. and Canada. Its operating groups include: Family Dining, Contract Feeding and Management and Specialty Restaurants such as Ruby Tuesdays, L & N Seafood, and Silver Spoon.

Robert D. Allen, president of EDS' Commercial Services Division, said the delivery of quality services will "separate the winners from the losers" in retail over the next several years.

"We're excited about going to work for Morrison and helping Morrison improve its lead over the competition," Allen said. "Morrison will now be free to focus on its core business -- serving the customer."

Thirty data processing professionals from Morrison will join EDS and continue their support from the company's headquarters in Mobile, Ala. Morrison's computer operations will transfer from Mobile to the EDS processing center in St. Louis.

Morrison has more than 31,000 employees in its specialty restaurant, family dining and custom food management divisions. Morrison, which is traded on NASDAQ national market system, recorded revenues of $900 million in fiscal year 1990.

EDS' Commercial Services Division provides information technology services to the retail industry, in addition to providing customer service technologies to a broad range of industries worldwide.

EDS, based in Dallas and with operations in 27 countries, is the leader in providing information technology services. Stock reflecting EDS' performance is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

CONTACT: Dick McGeoch of Morrison, 205-344-3000, Ext. 2201; or Pete McLaughlin of EDS, 214-661-6188.

-30- 2655

#90351p3774 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - GSE Electronic Systems, Inc. (OTC) announced that it has granted a non-exclusive, worldwide license to Nippon Electric Company (NEC) to manufacture video products incorporating GSE's patented time-coding and addressing technology.

The license agreement permits NEC to produce video cassette recorders and

related equipment which utilize GSE's Video Address Search System (VASS) and its Control Track (CTL) Coding Method. Both GSE technologies are industry-wide norms defined under VHS Standard 21A & B. Marketed under the RAPID trademark in GSE products, the CTL Coding Method enables frame-exact, random access to any point on half-inch videotape. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

"We are very pleased that NEC is taking the lead in adopting advanced videotape search and editing systems," remarked GSE's president, Peter Roggendorf. "The countless applications of such technology in business and consumer markets are only now starting to be recognized." Roggendorf emphasized that the video-editing environment is becoming more animated due to the introduction of dual-deck VCRs (twin-cassette recorders) and an increased demand for high-end, post-production tools. He also pointed out that GSE's RAPID system is one of the fundamental prerequisites for many applications in multi-media technology.

GSE Electronic Systems, Inc. develops, manufactures and markets electronic video equipment, including video editors, mixers, processors, color enhancers and effects generators. In addition, GSE produces the VTC-100 Desk Top Video Editing Computer which incorporates the company's RAPID technology. The company's products, all of which are compatible with VHS equipment, are designed for consumer and commercial use. GSE's principal offices ar located in New York City, with R&D and production facilities in Mainz, West Germany.

CONTACT: David Miles of GSE Electronic Systems, 212-308-2243.

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#90351p3775 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - David F. Stein has joined J. & W. Seligman & Co. Incorporated as a managing director and member of the firm's executive committee, according to William C. Morris, chairman.

As a member of the executive committee, Stein, 50, will be involved in all aspects of the management of the firm. Specifically, he will assume full responsibility for the firm's private account unit, which provides investment services to substantial individuals and families in the United States and abroad. He also will be responsible for coordinating all European investment activities, including joint ventures and partnerships, and will oversee a separate division that determines the fair market value of securities and renders fairness opinions.

Stein has 25 years of experience in the financial services industry, predominantly with Shearson Lehman, Lehman Brothers and Kuhn Loeb. A managing director at Shearson Lehman, he was a member of the firm's investment banking operating and commitment committee, and was in charge of the firm's international investment banking activities. Before that he was managing

director of Lehman Brothers Kuhn Loeb and a general partner at Kuhn Loeb & Co. where he was involved exclusively in international activities.

"David Stein's extensive experience in this industry and his high profile in the international arena will reinforce Seligman's commitment to private individuals and global expansion," Morris noted.

Stein earned an M.B.A. from Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration in 1965 and a B.A. from Harvard College in 1962.

Founded in 1864, J. & W. Seligman & Co. Incorporated is a privately owned investment manager and advisor with more than $7 billion in assets under management, serving pension plans, institutions and substantial individuals. The firm manages the Seligman group of funds, with 30 portfolios; Tri-Continental Corporation, the nation's largest equity closed-end investment company; and Seligman Select Municipal Fund, a tax-exempt closed-end bond fund.

CONTACT: Ellen De Domenico of J. & W. Seligman, 212-488-0382; or A. Arthur Sherman of Sherman/Morris, 212-682-4824, for J. & W. Seligman.

-30- 2381

#90351p3777 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - TSI Incorporated (NASDAQ: TSII) today reported that it has received a letter contract from the Department of the U.S. Army for a quantity of TSI's PORTACOUNT(R) Respirator Fit Testers and accessories. The Army will use the instruments in support of Operation Desert Shield. Funds have been provided for an amount of $688,653. The final amount will depend on decisions made during the contract period. The period of performance for the contract will be within 150 days.

The PORTACOUNT Respirator Fit Tester will give troops an added measure of assurance that their respirator or gas mask fits properly.

According to TSI President and Chief Executive Officer, Leroy M. Fingerson, "The respirator fit tester was originally developed under a U.S. army contract several years ago and has since been sold commercially in the growing industrial hygiene market. We are pleased to see the device made available to enhance the safety of our troops in the Persian Gulf."

TSI is a leading designer and manufacturer of fluid flow, particle measurement and meteorological and hydrological instrumentation. The company's stock is traded on the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol TSII.

CONTACT: Lowell D. Nystrom of TSI, 612-483-0900.

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#90351p3781 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MELVILLE, NY (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Herbert Lindo, president of Kenilworth Systems Corporation (NASDAQ: KENS), announced today that the world's first Cashless Casino, officially opened by Joan Kirner, the premier of Victoria, Australia, on Nov. 27, 1990, in Melbourne, has experienced a highly successful public acceptance.

Lindo, who recently returned from several weeks in Australia, indicated that during the first two weeks of its operation the casino had a handle of $4.78 million (Australian) from a new generation touch screen slot machine that offers interactive sporting games of golf, tennis, football, basketball and bowling in addition to the traditional casino games of poker, blackjack, keno, reel and roulette. He noted that the foregoing amount translates into a net win in U.S. terms of about $320 on each machine per day. In contrast, a typical slot machine in the United States will net about $235 per day. Net win is casino revenue before cost of operation and gaming taxes.

Lindo pointed out that the hardware, software and the unique multiple game interface for the Cashless Wagering System was developed and provided by Kenilworth for this casino. The slot machines are activated with plastic debit cards which identify a player "account" instead of cash and tokens and offer selections of different wagers from $0.20 to $5 which can be varied at will during play giving excitement up until now only available at table games. He also stated that the new system enabled a 60 percent reduction in labor costs from elimination of the cash handling. A reduction of costs of this magnitude becomes a cost imperative that the U.S. casino industry can no longer afford to ignore.

According to Lindo, the Australian State Government Agency, which operates the casino, plans to establish many additional cashless casinos throughout the state of Victoria and Kenilworth expects to benefit from the expanded use of its cashless wagering system as these plans materialize. In addition, the success of the Cashless Wagering System has attracted serious interest on the part of other state Governments throughout Australia, which are being actively pursued.

CONTACT: Ron Como & Associates, 212-227-3010, for Kenilworth.

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#90351p3782 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW ORLEANS (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Avondale Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: AVDL) today announced that it has been awarded a contract by E.N. Bisso and Son Inc. to design and construct a new versatile tug boat which is capable of river and harbor work as well as full ocean service.

E.N. Bisso and Son Inc. has been established in the Port of New Orleans since 1880 and offers many marine services including towing, heavy lift and marine

contracting.

This vessel will be constructed primarily for handling and docking ships in river traffic while retaining the ability to work offshore. Initial detailed engineering and construction of the vessel will start immediately by Avondale's Boat Division, at its Westwego, La., facility. Delivery of the tug is scheduled for the latter part of 1991. Work on this contract will provide additional employment at Avondale for approximately 50 people through 1991.

Albert L. Bossier Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Avondale, noted that the commercial aspects of this award are similar to the contract awarded in September to Avondale for three river towboats. Bossier commented: "These projects highlight the marketing efforts underway to extend our resources and expertise into commercial applications. We are pleased with the opportunities which the construction of these types of vessels offers Avondale. Regarding today's announcement, we are particularly gratified to be working with E.N. Bisso and Son Inc., a local company with an excellent, long-standing reputation."

Barry Heaps, Boat Division vice president, said: "The 110-foot- long tug will be designed for unlimited ocean towing and for harbor ship docking, and will be powered by two (2) E.M.D. 16-645 E6 Engines for a total of 3900 horsepower. Comfortable quarters for a crew of 10 and facilities such as a large galley and mess area will be included on the tug boat. The vessel will be certified by the United States Coast Guard, and classified - A1 unlimited ocean service towing vessel by the American Bureau of Shipping."

Avondale Industries Inc., headquartered in metro New Orleans, is one of the nation's leading marine fabricators. In addition to its shipbuilding operations, the company specializes in boat construction and is a major repair contractor for commercial and Navy ships. It is also involved in the modular construction of plants and components for a variety of land-based industries.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Kitchen of Avondale Industries, 504-436-5237.

-30- 2721

#90351p3785 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Team, Inc. (AMEX: TMI) announced that it completed the acquisition of Source Environmental Sciences, Inc. Team had previously announced the execution of a letter of intent between the two companies.

Team acquired all of the outstanding common stock of Source and will account for the transaction as a purchase. The terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Source Environmental is a professional environmental consulting firm

specializing primarily in air quality services, including the preparation of environmental permit applications, atmospheric dispersion modeling, fugitive air emission monitoring, and environmental impact assessments and audits for industrial facilities. Located in Houston, Source's revenues are generated primarily in the Gulf Coast area. Jack Coblenz, the founder, together with the present management team, will continue to direct the activities of Source.

With the acquisition of Source, Team, already a leader in plant emissions monitoring and control, will take another step forward in its stated commitment to expand its service capabilities in the areas of comprehensive environmental and air quality monitoring. This expanded line of service to Team's customers is intended to insure that new and existing industrial customers will have access through Team to the resources they require to meet the new Clean Air Act and other environmental requirements.

Team, Inc. is a national service company and a leader in the repair and maintenance of America's public and private infrastructure from roads and bridges to industrial plants. Headquartered in Houston, the company has 57 operating locations in 24 states and serves the international market through licensee arrangements in 12 countries.

CONTACT: Russell G. Donham, treasurer of Team, Inc., 713-659-3600

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#90351p3786 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

RINGWOOD, N.J. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Some years ago, it was predicted that check usage would diminish rapidly with the advent of the "paperless society." However, to borrow a phrase from Mark Twain, rumors of the personal check's demise have been greatly exaggerated.

On the contrary, personal check usage has continued to grow over the past decade, expanding from $768 billion in 1980 to an estimated $1.66 trillion in 1990, according to the Nilson Report, a newsletter for credit and debit card executives.

What's more, the personal check is the single most popular non-cash payment option in the United States. According to Nilson Report data, personal checks will snare 52 percent of the estimated $979 billion spent in non-cash transactions at the point of sale in 1990 -- as compared with 48 percent for credit and debit cards.

Carl J. Williams, president of Ringwood, N.J.-based JBS Associates, one of the nation's largest check guarantee companies, attributes checks' positions as the consumer's favorite non-cash payment form to a number of factors, including the phasing out of federal income tax deductions for interest payments on credit card balances.

"That was a big disincentive to credit card users," he says. "At the same time, baby boomers are becoming disenchanted with debt in general. They're trying to pay for expenses out of cash flow instead of credit, thereby avoiding interest payments. They already have car and mortgage payments hanging over them -- they don't need any others."

Finally, Williams maintains, "Consumers have a wild array of credit card options now and they're confused. One card will offer lower interest rates but with a high annual fee. Another will waive the fee but charge higher rates. One even gives bonus dollars back at year-end. Checks are still confusion-free. In many ways, they're more user- friendly than bank cards."

Against this background and an environment of increased competition, "no retailer can afford to ignore this trend and turn away checkwriting customers " Williams asserts. However, check acceptance has its pitfalls, as well. Inevitably, a certain percentage of bad checks turn up. At best, they're a headache and a drain on manpower; at worst, they're a total loss.

"For increasing numbers of retailers and other businesses dealing with the general public, check guarantee or verification services are becoming the solution to the check acceptance dilemma," Williams says.

CONTACT: Bill Parness or John Helsel of Parness & Associates, 201-290-0121, for JBS Associates

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#90351p3788 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ORLANDO, FL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - RoTech Medical Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: ROTC), a marketer and distributor of home care products and repackaged pharmaceuticals, announced earnings for its first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 of $.08 per share as compared to $.06 per share for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989.

Net income was $361,597 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 vs. $242,295 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989. Net revenue increased 31.3 percent to $4,692,865 from $3,572,812 in comparing the quarters ended Oct. 31, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Increases in net income and net revenues were attributable to the company's expansion and, in particular, the continued growth of its home infusion therapy division.

CONTACT: Stephen P. Griggs of RoTech Medical Corporation, 407-841-2115.

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#90351p3790 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, NJ (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - John J. McGovern, formerly senior vice president of Merrill Lynch Interfunding and director of Merrill Lynch Capital Markets, has joined Fowler Platt Batchelor Investments, a holding company specializing in acquisitions of small to medium-sized defense contractors, as a principal and managing director.

McGovern has had extensive experience in the evaluation and funding of leveraged transactions for Merrill Lynch Interfunding, with a particular emphasis on the defense industry. In his role with Merrill Lynch, he has worked closely with the other principals of Fowler Platt Batchelor over the past several years on several companies, including Foundation Health Corp., a $770 million health maintenance organization contractor with the Department of Defense and SPD Technologies, a producer of electrical protection and ship control systems for the U.S. Navy.

Since its formation in April 1990, Fowler Platt Batchelor has acquired one defense company, Axel Electronics, and is presently in negotiations for the purchase of two additional defense contractors.

McGovern received his B.S. degree in accounting from Monmouth College and a master's in business administration from Columbia University. He is also a CPA. A resident of Lawrenceville, N.J., he will work out of Fowler Platt Batchelor's headquarters in Princeton.

CONTACT: Bruce Shaeffer of Shaeffer & Associates, 215-546-1660, for Fowler Platt Batchelor Investments.

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#90351p3791 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUDSON, NH (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Presstek, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PRST) announced today that it entered into an agreement with Linotype A.G., the leading worldwide manufacturer of typesetting and pre-press equipment.

Pursuant to the agreement, Presstek has granted Linotype an interim license permitting it to undertake development of an Off-Line Platemaker incorporating Presstek's proprietary Direct Imaging Technology which, without any photographic processing, will produce a printing plate ready to go onto any press. Presstek also granted Linotype an option to obtain from Presstek a non-exclusive license to manufacture and commercialize an Off-Line Platemaker incorporating Presstek's technology. Linotype agreed to determine by May 1, 1991 whether to proceed with the commercial manufacture and sale of an Off-Line Platemaker. During this development period, Presstek will provide Linotype with engineering and technical support. In consideration of the interim license and option, Linotype agreed to pay Presstek the non- refundable sum of $500,000, $250,000 of which will be paid within 10 days and the balance of which will be in Presstek equipment purchases from Linotype. In the event Linotype exercises the option, the agreement provides that Linotype will pay

Presstek royalties on the net sales price of each Off-Line Platemaker manufactured and sold.

Presstek is engaged in the development of its Direct Imaging Technology, which utilizes digital page data generated by electronic prepress systems to image the color-separated pages directly on Presstek's proprietary dryographic printing plates. The imaging of plates can occur directly on a press or on an Off-Line Platemaker. As implemented in the Off-Line Platemaker, the Direct Imaging Technology permits the digital page data to be transmitted directly to the platemaker, which outputs final plates without further processing and without creating toxic waste.

CONTACT: Jennifer Tardif of Presstek, 603-595-7000.

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#90351p3796 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Wilbur W. Beall has been named president of the newly established NBD Bank in Columbus, Ohio. NBD Bancorp founded NBD Bank on Dec. 14, 1990, in order to assume certain liabilities and acquire certain assets of Mid-America Federal Savings & Loan Association.

Prior to this assignment, Beall had been president of NBD Northwest Bank, N.A. a Traverse City, Mich., subsidiary. His banking experience spans 26 years in progressively responsible positions.

Headquartered in Columbus, Mid-America had deposits of $892 million at Sept. 30, 1990, with 13 branch offices in Columbus and eight in Dayton, Ohio. The acquisition of Mid-America took place under the Accelerated Resolutions Program, a joint pilot program of the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) and the Office of Thrift Supervision.

The program is designed to accelerate the sale of troubled savings associations before they are declared insolvent and placed in RTC conservatorship. NBD paid a premium of $48 million to the RTC.

Beall said, "This acquisition represents a significant entry into a strategic market for NBD. The move into Ohio complements our banking operations in Michigan, Illinois and Indiana. For many years, NBD has had valued large corporate and middle market customers in Ohio.

"We are proud to bring to our new Columbus and Dayton customers the resources and services of one of the country's largest and strongest banking organizations. We look forward to becoming a contributing corporate member of the Columbus and Dayton communities."

NBD Bancorp (NYSE: NBD), headquartered in Detroit, operates more than 360 domestic banking offices in Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, and Florida and

bank-related subsidiaries engaged in commercial finance, securities brokerage, insurance, consumer credit processing, mortgage banking, and trust services.

NBD operates branch offices in London, Frankfurt, and Tokyo, a Canadian-chartered bank headquartered in Toronto, and has financial affiliates in Australia and Hong Kong.

CONTACT: M. Renee Ahee of NBD Bancorp, (313) 225-2596.

-30- 2306

#90351p3797 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Since 1985, Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) has endorsed 13,000 new homes with the "EEE" designation, portraying Excellence in Energy Efficiency.

Now, EEE means more than simply quality and energy efficiency for potential homebuyers. The National Association of Home Builders has determined that a new house that meets PE's EEE standards is eligible for liberalized lending guidelines in accordance with the regulations and procedures of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. (Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac are acronyms for two quasi-governmental agencies that provide the major share of funding for residential mortgages.)

James A. Smith, energy programs manager for the National Association of Homebuilders, in his notification to the company, said, "We would commend Philadelphia Electric Company for developing its EEE Program in support of efforts of the home building industry to promote the construction of energy-efficient new homes."

The liberalized mortgage guidelines provide for higher monthly housing expense-to-income ratios. Thus, the new approval would make the difference between a person's ability to obtain a mortgage or not, or it could make it easier to get a larger mortgage for the house a buyer really wants.

The Excellence in Energy Efficiency Program was implemented to foster maximum efficiencies for heating, cooling, and water heating systems and to control infiltration in new residential construction.

Standards, which exceed state and federal regulation, are stated for heating and cooling equipment, ductwork and pipes, building envelopes, insulation options, and other appliances.

Barbara L. Sands, PE's EEE Program manager, said PE works closely with home builders in its service territory advocating energy efficiency construction standards, and the company hopes to keep expanding its list of program partners.

"Having the EEE designation helps in selling a new home and adds value later in the resale market. The liberalized lending now available to the next buyer makes it even better since the energy cost savings allows more flexibility in financing," Sands said. "Someone buying a EEE home would qualify for a larger mortgage than a conventional home buyer." "The program has worked. The quality construction is such that utility bills are lower, and the homeowners are comfortable," she said.

(Look for PE's Excellence in Energy Efficiency exhibit Inc., Feb. 1-10, Philadelphia Home Show at the Civic Center.)

CONTACT: Michael Wood of Philadelphia Electric, (215) 841-4125.

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#90351p3799 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLARKSBURG, WV (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Alamco Inc. (AMEX: AXO) announced today that the board of directors elected Richard R. Hoffman, 39 years old, to the position of executive vice president and chief operating officer; Robert S. Wilkie Jr., 43 years old, to the position of senior vice president and chief financial officer; and Steven E. May, 34 years old, to the position of vice president and controller.

All three promotions were effective on Dec. 13, 1990.

Alamco, headquartered in Clarksburg, W.Va., is an independent producer of gas and oil in the Appalachian Basin with a major operating concentration in West Virginia gas fields.

CONTACT: Jane Merandi of Alamco, 304-623-6671.

-30- 878

#90351p3800 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - American Express Travel Related Services Company, Inc. (TRS) and the Club Med Group (Club Med) have signed an agreement to strengthen and coordinate their worldwide cooperative marketing programs.

As part of the agreement, the American Express Card will be a "preferred means of payment" in all Club Med villages, and for booking Club Med vacations at all its selling outlets. American Express TRS will promote and sell Club Med holidays in its worldwide network of over 1,600 American Express Travel Service Offices.

In addition, American Express TRS and Club Med will jointly develop direct marketing and other marketing campaigns.

"We are very pleased to enter into this exciting, new marketing relationship

with Club Med," said G. Richard Thoman, president and chief executive officer, American Express International. "Our agreement with Club Med builds on both companies' long tradition of providing exceptional global customer service to travelers."

Serge Trigano, president and chief executive officer of the Club Med Group, said, "By joining forces with American Express, we will be able to share the hospitality and fun of a Club Med vacation with an even larger number of gentils membres (nice members) around the world."

Club Mediterranee is headquartered in Paris, and is publicly traded on the Paris, Brussels and Luxembourg exchanges. Club Med operates 110 vacation villages in 33 countries, the Club Med 1 sailing ship, and a variety of small villas in exotic locations.

American Express Travel Related Services Company, Inc. is a family of travel, financial, insurance and communications businesses, and a wholly owned subsidiary of the American Express Company.

CONTACT: Edwina Arnold of Club Med, 212-977-2170; or Marcos E. Rada of American Express, 212-640-2566.

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#90351p3801 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Kellwood Home Fashions has entered into an agreement with Aquascutum of London, Inc., the internationally renowned British apparel maker (whose innovations include the trench coat) to manufacture and market full lines of high quality, luxury bed and bath products under the Aquascutum name.

The announcement was made today by Roy L. Fruehauf, president of Kellwood Home Fashions, who said the new products will be marketed throughout the United States with the Aquascutum/Kellwood label.

Fruehauf noted that this is Aquascutum's first non-apparel licensing agreement with an American company.

Kellwood's Aquascutum bedroom products will include sheets and pillow cases, comforters, duvet covers, decorative pillows, bed ruffles, window treatments and sets for bedside tables.

The bath product line will include shower curtains, towels, bath accessory sets and other luxury accessories.

The first bed and bath fashions, currently under development, will be based on patterns and designs from Aquascutum's current international women's apparel collection and its scarves and shawls.

Kellwood has been a major supplier of quality private-label home fashions since its inception in 1961.

"Three years ago, utilizing the experience gained in meeting the stringent requirements and specifications of our most demanding customers, we began to successfully market Kellwood brand-name products through America's leading retailers," said Fruehauf.

"Aquascutum is internationally synonymous with quality, elegance and taste," said Fruehauf. "We are honored that the Kellwood name will be linked with Aquascutum's proud 139-year-old heritage."

Aquascutum was founded as a small tailor shop on London's Regent Street in 1851 by two Englishmen with a unique idea for waterproofing wool coats. The name of their revolutionary invention was derived from the Latin words meaning watershield -- Aquascutum.

Kellwood Home Fashions is a division of the Kellwood Company (NYSE: KWD), a leading international manufacturer and marketer of apparel and home fashions.

CONTACT: Paul Belo, vice president of Kellwood Home Fashions, 212-354-5700

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#90351p3802 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SPOKANE, WASH. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert E. Sterling, founder and a director of Gold Express Corp. (NASDAQ: GDEX), today announced the appointment of Michael F. LaFleur as chairman of the board of directors and chief executive officer.

LaFleur brings a wealth of financial and mining experience to Gold Express. He was a partner in the national CPA firm of Seidman & Seidman until 1975. Subsequently, he joined Cominco American, a $300 million per year mining and chemical fertilizer company, as a director and vice-president of finance. From 1983 to 1988, LaFleur was president, chief operating officer and a director of the Solv-Ex Corp. of Albuquerque, N.M., an oil sands mining and engineering firm. Most recently, LaFleur has been a consultant to the natural resource industries.

Gold Express is currently in the process of re-opening the Copper Flat Mine in New Mexico which contains 59 million tons of mineable reserves at a grade of .43 percent copper. Sterling is very pleased with LaFleur's appointment, adding, "The $50 million Copper Flat project demands the direction of a man with Mr. LaFleur's financial and mining experience. We feel we have a top management team in place to direct the project which, when in full production in late 1992, will produce 44 million pounds of copper per year from the 16,500 ton per day mine and mill complex."

Gold Express was formed in 1984 as a junior mining exploration company and, with the Copper Flat project, is emerging as a diversified junior mining company. Gold Express is a publicly owned company trading on the Over-the-Counter stock market with the NASDAQ symbol GDEX.

CONTACT: Michael F. LaFleur of Gold Express Corp., 504-927-7086

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#90351p3803 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. today announced the appointment of Patrick J. Walsh as senior vice president, human resources, effective Jan. 15, 1991.

In his new position, Walsh will be responsible for the company's management training and development, equal employment opportunity, employee benefits, compensation, human resources systems, payroll and recruiting efforts worldwide. He will work closely with the board of directors, particularly members of the management development and compensation committee, and reports to Herbert M. Allison Jr., executive vice president, finance and administration.

"Pat Walsh brings considerable management skills and breadth of experience to this position," said Allison. "Merrill Lynch has a longstanding commitment to providing its employees with competitive compensation and benefits, the opportunity to develop to their fullest professional potential, and to equal employment opportunity. Pat brings a spirit of innovation and resourcefulness that will enable Merrill Lynch to realize its human resources objectives consistent with the requirements of our businesses."

A 21-year Merrill Lynch veteran, Walsh has served since 1984 as director of Asset Accumulation Services, the group responsible for a number of Merrill Lynch's core services for individual investors, including the Cash Management Account(R) service, Individual Retirement Accounts and Key Client Services, as well as Financial Planning Services. Merrill Lynch currently has more than 6 million of these accounts with more than $330 billion of clients assets. Previously, he held a number of sales and management positions in Merrill Lynch's branch office system. Walsh was made a first vice president in 1988.

Walsh's successor as director, Asset Accumulation Services, in Merrill Lynch's Private Client division will be announced shortly.

CONTACT: James Wiggins of Merrill Lynch, 212-449-7280.

-30- 2150

#90351p3808 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Jack E. Thompson, President of North American Metals Corp. (''NAM''), today announced that the company will take a fourth quarter write-down of approximately Cdn $24 million or $3 per share. The decision was made after a review of revenues and expenses projected over the remaining known reserves of the company's principal asset, a 50 percent joint venture interest in the Golden Bear mine located in northwestern British Columbia. The review concluded that, based upon known proven and probable reserves and projected operating costs, a substantial increase in gold prices above current levels would be required to permit recovery of the company's remaining investment in property, plant and equipment. The charge will increase the company's operating loss for the year to approximately Cdn $32 million.

Golden Bear has been plagued with a series of cost overruns, start-up delays and technical production problems in the mill, including design defects in the roaster. This key component of the plant was rebuilt and placed back in operation Nov. 20, 1990. Based upon operating results since then, it appears that the major equipment difficulties have been resolved. Operations personnel are in the process of bringing the plant up to full operating capacity.

The Golden Bear mine will remain in operation and NAM as manager of the mine will continue its exploration efforts in the mine vicinity in an attempt to identify additional economic reserves.

CONTACT: Jack E. Thompson, President of North American Metals Corp., 415-981-8150

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#90351p3809 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesaba Aviation, Inc., which operates as Northwest Airlink, said today that it plans to begin one daily round-trip flight between Minneapolis/St. Paul and Lacrosse, Wis. effective Jan. 31, 1991. The flight will depart Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport at 11:35 a.m., arriving at LaCrosse Municipal Airport at 12:15 p.m. It will depart LaCrosse at 12:45 p.m. and arrive in Minneapolis/St. Paul at 1:30 p.m.

The new flight, to be operated with 19-passenger Metro III aircraft, will complement existing Northwest Airlines service between the two cities. Northwest and Mesaba operate a joint marketing agreement under which the two airlines coordinate schedules, fares and marketing programs. At LaCrosse, Northwest personnel will perform Mesaba's ticketing and ground handling functions.

LaCrosse will be the 39th city served on Mesaba's growing 10 state route system. Mesaba is based in the Twin Cities and has hub operations at both

Minneapolis/St. Paul and Detroit. The regional carrier operates a fleet of 31 aircraft which includes 48-passenger Fokker F27s and 19-passenger Metro III aircraft.

CONTACT: Douglas P. Fulton of Mesaba Aviation, 612-726-5151, ext. 351.

-30- 1397

#90351p3811 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Stewart & Stevenson Services, Inc. (NASDAQ: SSSS), a leading manufacturer of diesel and gas turbine powered equipment, announced today that the company received a $20 million order for 24 diesel powered generator sets. The generators will be used aboard patrol frigates being built for the Republic of China Navy. Each unit will produce 1000 KW of electrical power and will be installed in the ships being built by the China Shipbuilding Company.

These new ships are of the same design as the U.S. Navy's Oliver Hazard Perry Class Frigates on which 280 Stewart & Stevenson generators provide electrical power.

CONTACT: David R. Stewart, director, investor relations of Stewart & Stevenson Services, 713-868-7657

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#90351p3816 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SARASOTA, FL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Tech:Time (Pink Sheets) is pleased to announce that the results for the second quarter ended Nov. 30 continue to demonstrate a profitable trend.

The company generated sales of $972,000 and net operating income of $205,000 in the second quarter of fiscal 1991, representing an increase in net profit of 105 percent over the second quarter of fiscal 1990.

Management is confident about the development of the company and expects sales and earnings to continue growing as long as the recessionary trends remain moderate. In addition, we are pleased to announce that Tech:Time has begun preliminary discussions with Tridata Systems of Atlanta and Uniquest Inc. of Jacksonville, Fla., about a possible business combination.

A comparative summary of selected second quarter 1991 and 1990 operating results is shown below:

Fiscal qtr. ended:	11/30/90	11/30/89
Net sales	$972,643	$771,520
Net income	$205,808	$100,164
Net income		

per share $ 0.03 $ 0.02

Tech:Time Inc. is a leading provider of computerized data collection systems used for time and attendance, security, access control, job costing, labor distribution, scheduling, communications and messaging. Tech:Time's stock is traded Over-the-Counter market as a non-listed company.

CONTACT: Gary Crawford, chief financial officer of Tech:Time, (813) 954-8463.

-30- 1661

#90351p3819 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - FMC Corp.'s board of directors today announced the election of Governor James R. Thompson as a director of FMC, effective Jan. 15, 1991.

According to Robert H. Malott, FMC chairman and chief executive officer, "We are looking forward to Jim Thompson joining our board. We feel his background and experience will be valuable to us as we face the challenges of a global marketplace in the decade ahead."

Gov. Thompson has served as governor of Illinois since 1977. His fourth term expires on Jan. 14, 1991. He also served as an assistant state's attorney of Cook County, as chief of the Department of Law Enforcement and Public Protection in the state's Attorney General's Office, as first assistant U.S. attorney, and as U.S. attorney for the Northern District of Illinois. Earlier this year, he was appointed by President Bush to chair the President's Intelligence Oversight Board.

FMC Corp. (NYSE: FMC), headquartered in Chicago, is one of the world's leading producers of machinery and equipment for industry, government and agriculture. The company operates 88 manufacturing and mine facilities in 24 states and 21 other countries.

The company divides its businesses into five major segments: industrial chemicals, performance chemicals, precious metals, defense systems, and machinery and equipment.

CONTACT: Pat Brozowski of FMC, (312) 861-6104.

-30- 1597

#90351p3824 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELMSFORD, NY (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Clinical Technologies Associates, Inc. (CTA) (NASDAQ: CTAI, CTAIW) today announced its unaudited results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

The company showed an increase in revenues to $478,470 from $69,054 for the

same period in fiscal 1990. Operating expenses for the first quarter were $944,889 versus $569,080 for the same period last year. Operating losses declined to $466,419 from $500,026. Net losses for the quarter were $979,001 or $.31 per share, compared to $456,595 or $.15 per share for first quarter fiscal 1990.

Included in the $979,001 quarterly loss is $503,200 reflecting the company's accrued liability in this quarter for the net present value of post-termination benefits that may be due and payable to the company's ex-president in the future.

Michael Goldberg, M.D., CTA's president and CEO, said, "The company experienced increased revenues substantially due to an additional research and development contract signed in May of 1990. CTA is actively engaged in discussions with several pharmaceutical companies interested in oral delivery of their therapeutic products using CTA's technology. We are looking forward to engaging in further strategic alliances in the future based on these discussions."

Clinical Technologies Associates, Inc. is a publicly held biopharmaceutical company dedicated to the development of proprietary technologies for the benefit of human healthcare and scientific research.

The company is currently focused on commercializing its patented oral delivery system which effectively surmounts the obstacles associated with the oral administration of many therapeutic agents.

CTA also performs clinical studies on a contract basis for pharmaceutical companies seeking approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to market new drugs in the United States.

CONTACT: Michael Goldberg, president and CEO of Clinical Technologies Associates, (914) 347-2220, or Lisa Burns of Burns McClellan, (212) 545-1919, for Clinical Technologies Associates.

-30- 2274

#90351p3826 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BENSALEM, PA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - David Wachs, chairman and chief executive officer of Charming Shoppes Inc. (NASDAQ: CHRS), the retail women's apparel chain, today announced that the board of directors has declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of 3 cents per share, payable on Jan. 15, 1991 to shareholders or record on Dec. 27, 1990.

CONTACT: Bernard Brodsky, vp and treasurer of Charming Shoppes, 215-638-6719.

-30- 596

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ATLANTA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - A consortium of companies led by BellSouth Corp. (NYSE: BLS) finalized a contract for the development and operation of a cellular mobile telecommunications network in Uruguay.

The consortium will invest more than US$10 million to construct a state-of-the-art cellular system that will begin providing service by mid-1991 in Montevideo and by late 1991 in the resort center of Maldonado/Punta del Este. The system will serve a population of over 1.5 million people.

"With this contract the Uruguayan government has taken a dramatic step in the advancement of its telecommunications infrastructure," said Brian Hailes, BellSouth International's vice president/general manager of Latin America. "And with existing cellular interests in Mexico and Argentina, BellSouth confirms its leadership in the deployment of mobile telecommunications in Latin America."

The consortium's shareholders consist of BellSouth and Motorola (NYSE: MOT) of the United States, SOCMA and BGH of Argentina, as well as private Uruguayan investors.

BellSouth, one of the world's largest telecommunications service companies with assets of $30 billion, is a leader in mobile communications with more than one million customers worldwide.

Motorola is a leading manufacturer of cellular radio telephone systems. BGH is Argentina's principal manufacturer of mobile communications equipment and SOCMA is a Buenos Aires-based automobile, construction, and telecommunications services company.

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#90351p3833 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONGMONT, COLO. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Discovery Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: DSCV) announced today that it successfully launched four new medical communications products at the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) exhibition held Nov. 25-29, 1990. The RSNA is considered the world's most prestigious forum for professionals in the fields of X-ray and diagnostic imaging equipment.

The new products enhance and enlarge upon breakthrough technology developed at Discovery, which enable high resolution X-ray images to be sent via standard telephone lines virtually to any place in the world. The new products have features which allow for faster transmission of images, direct acquisition of images from CT and MRI systems versus film digitization and a display system to provide a "slide show" of up to 16 images simultaneously during medical

consultations.

"The feedback we received at RSNA exceeded our expectations. We were extremely gratified by the industry-wide reception given to our new products by end-users and possible joint venture and OEM partners," said Ralph Patitucci, president and chief executive officer of Discovery. "The marketplace we are now able to address expands from under $50 million to over $200 million in the healthcare area alone. Based on the positive initial reaction these products have received, we are very optimistic about Discovery's outlook for the future."

Based in Longmont, Discovery Technologies is a leader in providing innovative solutions in image management and communications to physicians, scientists, engineers and quality control experts throughout the world.

CONTACT: Jeffrey K. Backerman, 303-651-6500; or Bruce H. Wolk, 303-465-2000, of Discovery Technologies Inc.

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#90351p3834 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS, MO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Y&A Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: YGRP) announced today that KPMG Peat Marwick accepted engagement as its new independent accountants.

Y&A Group, Inc., through its principal operating subsidiaries, provides professional engineering services in essentially all disciplines related to the electric utility industry, as well as segments of the residential, industrial and commerical industries. Y&A maintains offices in Missouri, Florida, North Carolina, Alaska and Wisconsin, as well as international offices in Thailand and Malaysia.

CONTACT: Malcolm Cheek, president and chief executive officer of Y&A Group, Inc., 314-993-1650.

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#90351p3836 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has proposed a $33,300 penalty against Burlington Bio- Medical Corporation of Farmingdale, N.Y., for violations of regulations governing pesticides, it was announced today.

EPA found that the corporation produced a pesticide before registering with EPA as required under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). In addition, Burlington Bio- Medical failed to include its establishment registration number on its product packaging. This is the largest civil penalty ever proposed within EPA Region 2's pesticide program.

"Our pesticide regulations are designed to protect the health of our citizens and the environment," said EPA Regional Administrator Constantine Sidamon-Eristoff. "It is essential that firms manufacturing pesticides alert EPA to their activities and correctly label their products. This firm clearly did not follow our regulations."

Burlington Bio-Medical registered with EPA as a pesticide-producing establishment in August 1989. However, an EPA review of the firm's production records found five instances in which the company manufactured the pesticide "RO-PEL" prior to this time. EPA also found the firm distributed its product to four separate companies without meeting EPA labeling requirements.

RO-PEL is a pesticide used primarily to repel nuisance animals.

CONTACT: Kim Helper of EPA, 212-264-2515.

-30- 1632

#90351p3838 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Glaxo Inc. has asked the Food and Drug Administration for approval to market a tablet form of its drug to treat migraine headaches, the pharmaceutical firm announced today.

The new drug application for the tablet form of Imitrex(TM) (sumatriptan succinate) follows by less than six months the NDA for the injectable form, which the pharmaceutical company filed in June.

Like the injectable form, the oral formulation was subjected to rigorous clinical trials, said Anthony W. Fox, M.D., Glaxo's associate director of cardiovascular clinical studies.

In two U.S. multicenter, double-blind studies of about 240 migraine sufferers, 55 percent reported mild pain or no pain at all two hours after taking a 100 mg Imitrex tablet, compared to 23 percent of patients taking a placebo, Fox said. After four hours, 73 percent of the Imitrex group was pain-free or reported only mild pain, compared to 30 percent in the placebo group.

Around the world similar studies have tested sumatriptan tablets in about 2,500 patients, Fox said, and about 80 percent have had a significant reduction in pain.

"In the clinical studies we found that the efficacy of oral Imitrex was very similar to the efficacy of the subcutaneous formulation," Fox said, "with the main difference being the length of time for onset of action."

This is consistent, Fox said, with the longer time period associated with absorption of oral medicines through the stomach and intestinal tract.

In addition, he said, certain types of patients, like those with resistant hypertension and ischemic heart disease, will be advised to use the drug with caution.

Glaxo Inc., researches, develops, manufacturers and markets prescription medicines, including those for the treatment of gastrointestinal disorders, respiratory ailments, cardiovascular diseases, infectious diseases and diseases of the skin. It is a subsidiary of London-based Glaxo Holdings, p.l.c. (NYSE: GLX).

CONTACT: Rick Sluder, public relations, Glaxo Inc., 919-248-2839

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#90351p3840 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Champions Sports, Inc., a publicly held, Northern Virginia based sports bar and restaurant company (NASDAQ: CSBR) reports that for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, it earned net income of $381,309 as compared to a net loss of $53,083 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989. The second quarter net income follows Champions previously reported net profit of $4,294 for the quarter ended July 31, 1990.

This quarter's net income is attributed to the $1 million nonrecurring fee that reflects the Marriott acquisition of the right to the "Champions" trademark for use in its hotels. The net income also reflects a loss reserve contingency for a sale of its interest in the Champions Sports Bar and Restaurant in Falls Church, Va. That sale was consummated after the close of the quarter. Champions intends to continue its efforts to improve the company's business and the company is seeking additional debt or equity financing to underwrite its continuing growth and operations as to which there is no assurance.

There are currently 15 Champions sports bar and restaurants. Ten of those are operating in Marriott hotels: Boston; Tampa, Fla.; Atlanta; Chicago (O'Hare); Baltimore (BWI); Los Angeles (LAX); Raleigh, N.C.; Portland, Ore.; Irvine, Calif. and Springfield, Mass. The other company owned and franchised Champions are in San Antonio, Texas; New Orleans; Tysons Corner, Va.; Richmond Va., and Hyannis, Mass. Another franchise location is due to open by the end of December 1990, in Cleveland.

Entrepreneur magazine this year named Champions "Franchiser of the Year" in the sports bars and tavern industry. Champions was also named "1988 Bar Chain of the Year" by Nation's Restaurant News. It is famous for its "Good Food, Good Times, Good Sports" theme, sports memorabilia, televised sports viewing and high energy promotions.

Champions Sports, Inc., owns, franchises and manages Champions Sports Bars and

Restaurants nationwide.

CONTACT: James Martell of Champions Sports, Inc., 703-241-1000.

-30- 2251

#90351p3842 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEDIA, PA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - On Dec. 13, VWR Corp. (NASDAQ: VWRX), the nation's second largest distributor of laboratory supplies and equipment, declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.20 per share, payable March 6, 1991, to shareholders of record Feb. 8.

VWR Corp., headquartered in Media, serves customers throughout the United States and in Canada from more than 20 strategically located sales offices and distribution centers.

CONTACT: Walter S. Sobon of VWR, 215-891-9752, or Ann K. Carmody of Earle Palmer Brown & Spiro, 215-851-9652, for VWR.

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#90351p3848 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Home Depot (NYSE: HD), the nation's largest home center retailer, today announced that it has consolidated its stores west of Texas into a new unit, the Home Depot Western Division.

Bill Hamlin, currently vice president - Merchandising of Home Depot's western stores, will be the president and operating officer of the new division.

The new division will be headquartered at the company's existing regional office in Fullerton, Calif.

Hamlin will report directly to Arthur M. Blank, co-founder, president and chief operating officer of The Home Depot.

Kurt Plouff, currently Home Depot's merchandiser for garden and seasonal merchandise for the company's western stores, has been promoted to vice president - Merchandising of the new division and will report directly to Hamlin.

Bryant Scott, vice president - Store Operations of the company's western stores, will also report directly to Hamlin.

According to Home Depot Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Bernard Marcus, "The creation of the division represents an organizational experiment which we expect will eventually be applied to other parts of the company." He explained that "the move is in keeping with our philosophy of decentralized decision making which has enabled us to grow successfully while avoiding a

chain-store mentality."

The Home Depot currently operates 136 stores in 12 states, of which 49 are located in the new division. By the end of 1994, the company plans to be operating a total of approximately 355 stores nationwide and approximately 126 stores in the Western Division.

Hamlin joined The Home Depot in 1985 as a merchandiser for plumbing and electrical products and was promoted to vice president - Merchandising in 1988. Plouff joined the company in 1986 as an electrical products merchandiser. Prior to joining The Home Depot, both had been merchandisers for Payless Cashways.

Founded in Atlanta in 1978, The Home Depot is now widely regarded as the leader in the home center industry. Its warehouse-style stores stock approximately 30,000 different building materials, home improvement and lawn and garden products which are sold primarily to do-it-yourselfers.

CONTACT: Ronald M. Brill, senior vice president and CFO, 404-431-2727, or Lonnie Fogel, 404-431-2666, both of The Home Depot.

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#90351p3849 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, NJ (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Cytogen Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTO) announced today the payment of a quarterly dividend on its $2.50 Convertible Exchangeable Preferred Stock (NASDAQ: CYTOP) to holders of record on Jan. 2, 1991.

The dividend of $.625 per share will be paid on Jan. 15, 1991. Cytogen Corp. is a biopharmaceutical company which has developed proprietary systems for linking drugs and diagnostic agents to monoclonal antibodies in order to optimize the function of the antibody as a delivery vehicle. With major emphasis on human cancer, current product development efforts at Cytogen are focused on improved cancer diagnostic imaging agents and the targeted delivery of cancer therapeutic agents directly to tumor sites.

CONTACT: Cheryl Shipley Coyle of Cytogen, 609-987-8221.

-30- 973

#90351p3851 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of PaineWebber Independent Living Mortgage Fund, Inc. today announced the declaration of a dividend of 25 cents per share of common stock.

The dividend is payable on January 15, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 31, 1990. This dividend equates to a ten percent

annualized rate of return and is the sixth consecutive quarter for which this dividend will be paid.

PaineWebber Independent Living Mortgage Fund, Inc.'s objectives are to make first mortgage loans that will provide current income, preserve and protect capital, and to maximize dividends through participation in annual gross revenues and the appreciation of the real estate securing the loans. The loans will be secured by rental housing complexes designed for independent senior citizens.

The fund has invested in six participating mortgage loans and anticipates closing on the final two investments shortly. The fund's portfolio of properties is performing ahead of schedule.

Two existing properties, Crowne Pointe in Omaha, Neb., and Sedgwick Plaza, in Wichita, Kan., were acquired by Angeles Housing Concepts in March 1990 from the Heritage Corporation. Since acquisition, Angeles Housing's marketing efforts have increased occupancy at Crowne Pointe from 95 percent to 100 percent plus a wait list and at Sedgwick Plaza form 82 percent to 95 percent.

The fund's portfolio also includes loans on two new Independence Villages in East Lansing, Mich., and in Winston-Salem, N.C. Construction is now complete at the Independence Village in Peoria, Ill.

Peoria's senior community extended a warm welcome by reserving 33 percent of Independence Village's apartments prior to November's opening. The grand opening of Independent Living Mortgage Fund's new facility in Raleigh, N.C., is scheduled for January.

CONTACT: Anthony C. Perkins, senior vice president of PaineWebber Properties, (617) 439-8122.

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#90351p3853 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of PaineWebber Independent Living Mortgage Inc. II today announced the declaration of a daily dividend, equating to a 10 percent annualized rate of return for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, on the common stock of the company, payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of daily record on or before the close of business on Dec. 31, 1990.

PaineWebber Independent Living Mortgage Inc. II's objectives are to make first mortgage loans that will provide current income, preserve and protect capital, and to maximize dividends through participation in annual gross revenues and the appreciation of the real estate securing the loans. The loans will be secured by rental housing complexes designed for independent senior citizens.

To make such loan opportunities available to the company, PaineWebber Independent Living Mortgage Inc. II has entered into an agreement with Angeles Housing Concepts, Inc., a firm which acquires, develops and operates apartment communities specially designed for independent seniors.

Angeles Housing uses the proceeds of the loans to acquire or develop senior housing projects. The company has financed the acquisition by Angeles Housing of Heritage Palms, a senior housing project in Fort Myers, Fla. The company has committed to the financing of the construction and operation of Columbia Independence Village in Columbia, S.C. In addition, the company has the option to finance the acquisition by Angeles Housing of two other senior housing projects: Heritage Greens of Greensboro, N.C., and Heritage Woods of Winston-Salem, N.C.

Independent Living Mortgage Inc. II's $50 million offering commenced on Sept. 14, 1990. Through Nov. 30, 1990, the company had raised over $31.7 million from more than 6,400 shareholders.

CONTACT: Anthony C. Perkins, senior vice president of PaineWebber Properties Incorporated, 617-439-8122

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#90351p3854 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - United Airlines announced today the appointment of Brierley & Partners and Leo Burnett Advertising to serve as its two direct marketing agencies of record.

Brierley & Partners will coordinate United's domestic marketing programs, including the Mileage Plus program for its frequent travelers. Leo Burnett will coordinate United's international direct marketing efforts, its cargo and travel agent direct marketing, and provide direct marketing support for United's general media efforts.

Brierley & Partners has served as a direct marketing agency for United since 1989, with its past efforts focused on United's marketing strategy, its Silver Wings program for senior citizens, the new Pass Plus program and other special projects.

Brierley & Partners is a full-service direct marketing agency with offices in Dallas, Los Angeles and Chicago.

Chicago-based Leo Burnett has been United's advertising agency of record for over 25 years. Leo Burnett has recently expanded its emphasis on providing direct marketing services for its clients, and previously has been working in this area for United since 1989.

In addition to its Chicago headquarters, Leo Burnett has an extensive

international network on five continents that can help support United's aggressive plans to expand internationally.

Adam Aron, United's senior vice president-marketing, said, "Brierley & Partners and Leo Burnett possess a unique knowledge of direct marketing, and have the creative capability to translate that knowledge into new and exciting consumer programs. As United continues to build on its position as the United States' premier air carrier, Brierley & Partners and Leo Burnett will be a key factor in our targeted marketing efforts."

CONTACT: Joe Hopkins, 708-952-5770, or Sara Dornacker, 708-952-6561 or (at night), 708-952-4088, both of United.

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#90351p3857 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Lafarge Corporation (NYSE: LAF), one of the leading construction materials companies in the United States and Canada, today announced that it has entered into various purchase agreements with a Swiss cement group that will increase Lafarge's annual cement production capacity by 20 percent to more than 15 million tons.

The agreements, with Cementia Holding AG of Zurich, Switzerland, and its Spanish subsidiary Asland S.A., include the purchase of Missouri Portland Cement Company and Davenport Cement Company, two U.S. cement producers based in the Mississippi River Basin.

Lafarge will also acquire more than 30 related ready-mix and aggregate operations as well as ProChemTechnology, Inc., a chemical admixtures business. Last year, Lafarge Coppee, the French parent of Lafarge Corporation, became Cementia's principal shareholder with 60 percent of its voting shares.

According to Robert W. Murdoch, president and chief executive officer of Lafarge Corporation, the purchase "will reinforce Lafarge Corporation's network from the Gulf of Mexico to the Great Lakes and will allow Lafarge to develop a stronger base in the Mississippi River Basin."

The acquisition will be financed through the issuance of four million common shares of Lafarge Corporation and the assumption of net indebtedness not exceeding $95 million.

Purchased assets will include an 850,000-ton capacity plant in Buffalo, Iowa, a 500,000-ton capacity facility in Kansas City, Mo., and a 1.2 million-ton capacity plant in Joppa, Ill. In addition, Lafarge Corporation will acquire 16 strategically located terminals along the Mississippi River and its tributaries.

The agreement will position Lafarge Corporation as the second-largest cement

producer in the Mississippi River region, with a combined output of 3.8 million tons of cement. The location of the plants and their fully developed terminal/barge network will create new synergies in freight and distribution. The transactions are expected to be completed in January 1991.

Lafarge currently operates 13 cement plants, six grinding plants and 75 terminals located throughout the United States and Canada, with annual sales of 12 million short tons. The company also has more than 400 construction materials locations and is one of the largest suppliers of ready-mix concrete and aggregates in North America.

CONTACT: Katrina Luba Farrell of Lafarge Corporation, (703) 264-3632.

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#90351p3858 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of PaineWebber Retail Property Investments, Inc., today announced the declaration of a dividend in the amount of $0.002192 per share per day for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, on the common stock of the company, payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to holders of daily record on or before the close of business, Dec. 31, 1990.

PaineWebber Retail Property Investments, Inc., is a real estate investment trust formed to invest exclusively in existing, income producing shopping centers anchored by Wal-Mart Stores, one of the nation's fastest growing retailers.

CONTACT: Anthony C. Perkins, senior vice president of PaineWebber Properties, 617-439-8122.

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#90351p3868 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MISS. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - MidSouth Corporation (NASDAQ: MSRR) today rejected the unsolicited acquisition offer by Illinois Central Corporation as grossly inadequate and not in the best interests of MidSouth shareholders.

MidSouth's board of directors also determined that the time was wrong to consider a sale of the company for a number of reasons including strong earnings growth prospects and a current refinancing plan to improve the company's capital structure.

The rejection of the offer was conveyed to Edward L. Moyers, chairman and chief executive officer of Illinois Central Corporation, in a letter from Mark M. Levin, chairman of MidSouth's board. The full text of the letter follows:

The board of directors of MidSouth Corporation has carefully considered your

December 3 proposal and, after consultation with our financial and legal advisors, has concluded that your offer is grossly inadequate and would therefore not be in the best interests of our shareholders. The board has determined that this is not an appropriate time at which to sell the company since, among other reasons, the company has strong earnings growth prospects and we are in the midst of efforts to implement a refinancing plan to improve the company's capital structure. We can only agree with the views of your chief financial officer, as quoted in published reports, that our stock is currently "cheap."

Our board is also of the view that, due to a fundamental difference of management philosophy, a merger of our two companies would not be in the best interests of our employees nor of the communities and customers we serve.

CONTACT: John A. Scotto of MidSouth, 601-949-4366

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#90351p3871 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - In a filing made with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) is seeking authorization for new sales, transportation and storage services designed to enhance market competition in ANR's service area.

The new services, which will replace ANR's existing pipeline sales tariffs, reflect extensive negotiations with ANR's major sales customers. The new services have a targeted in-service date of Nov. 1, 1991. Contracts will run from five to 10 years, with renewal rights.

The new sales service will incorporate gas prices, which will be capped by a spot market index, and a gas inventory charge (GIC), a demand-based monthly charge customers will pay to ensure long-term reliable supplies.

As part of the new service options, customers will have a monthly option to convert up to one-half of their sales service entitlement to transportation, which will give them the ability to move spot gas supplies.

"We believe that our proposed sales service is the most innovative in the industry," said William P. Vititoe, president and chief executive officer of ANR Pipeline.

"It provides our customers with real flexibility and meaningful options, including the ability to arrange their gas supply portfolios to meet their own competitive market requirements."

Vititoe added that the proposed sales service will also provide ANR with the ability to maintain a supply portfolio that will support reliable peak-day service.

ANR Pipeline Company is a subsidiary of The Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP), a Houston-based energy holding company with $8 billion in assets and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, coal and chemicals and independent power production.

CONTACT: Marian C. Droll of ANR Pipeline Company, 313-496-3756.

-30- 2063

#90351p3877 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The retirement of Patrick J. Coletta following a career of more than 40 years in the manufacture of cars and trucks for General Motors was announced today by GM Chairman Robert C. Stempel. Coletta will retire as vice president of General Motors and director of operations for the Truck & Bus Group on Jan. 1, 1991.

"Pat Coletta brought a wealth of manufacturing experience to our newly organized truck group in the mid-80s," Stempel said, "and helped them launch several new product programs on an extremely ambitious timetable. The customer response, to our new full-size truck in particular, is testimony to their outstanding accomplishments."

A native of Malvern, Pa., Coletta, 64, began his GM career in 1950 on the production floor of the General Motors assembly plant in Wilmington, Del., after receiving a B.S. in electrical engineering from Villanova College. He held a number of jobs in production supervision before becoming a Sloan Fellow at MIT, where he earned an M.S. in management in 1956.

He then served as production manager at GM assembly plants in South Gate, Calif., and Linden, N.J., before moving to the headquarters of the former GM Assembly Division (GMAD) in 1967 as director of production engineering. The following year he returned to plant supervision and subsequently managed GMAD operations in Kansas City, Kan., Kansas City, Mo., and St. Louis. In 1973 he was promoted to regional plant manager with responsibility for nine GMAD operations in the Midwest and East.

Coletta was promoted again in 1977 when he became vice president in charge of the GM Manufacturing Staff. He returned to GMAD the following year as general manager, and assumed his present position when GM's North American manufacturing operations were restructured in 1984.

Until a successor to Coletta has been named, the operations that reported to him will report directly to Clifford J. Vaughan, GM vice president and group executive in charge of the Truck & Bus Group.

CONTACT: Kari Hulsey of General Motors, 313-456-7252

-30- 2258
#90351p3881 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Pogo Producing Co. (NYSE: PPP) today announced that it has signed a settlement agreement with the Internal Revenue Service closing taxable years through 1985, except for possible future adjustments of a specified nature as requested by Pogo.

Under the terms of the settlement (which is subject to a procedural review by a joint committee of the U.S. Congress) Pogo's taxes for the period have been reduced by $8,607,000. Pogo has recorded a refund receivable of $29,002,000 consisting of the taxes and related interest income through Dec. 31, 1990. Pogo expects to receive the $29,002,000 payment in the first quarter of 1991, and plans to use the funds to reduce its outstanding debt. The effect of the refund on net income is an increase of $16,062,000 primarily from interest income and tax credits.

CONTACT: Steve Slack of Pogo Producing Co., 713-651-4355.

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#90351p3882 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Although the Christmas season is usually a festive and gala time of year, holiday safety is often taken for granted.

Each year approximately 4,000 people are treated in hospital emergency rooms for injuries associated with holiday decorations. Many suffer burns due to home Christmas tree fires.

Georgia Power Co. urges customers to heed the following advice when using electrical holiday decorations:

On Trees -- Look for freshness in a natural tree. The higher the moisture content, the less likely it will become a serious fire hazard. If the needles break when bent or fall off when the tree is tapped lightly on the ground, the tree is too dry.

-- Keep the tree base in water several inches above the cut line. Cut trees get thirsty; add water every day.

-- Set the tree up far from any heat source.

-- Be careful when using metal trees, especially if electric lights are attached. Sharp metal edges may cut the cord insulation; the metal needles might touch an electrically charged component. Either way, the whole tree will become electrically charged, and anyone touching the tree and a grounded object at the same time could receive a severe shock.

-- When using an artifical tree, look for a statement specifying the tree as fire resistant.

On Lighting -- Check to be sure lights are safety approved and have an Underwriters Laboratories (UL) label attached.

-- Check lights each year. Look for frayed wires, loose connections, broken or cracked sockets and spots where bare wire is exposed. Any damaged set should be thrown out or repaired.

-- All lights should be fastened securely to the tree and shouldn't come into direct contact with needles or branches.

-- Don't overload extension cords. Don't put more than three sets of lights on any extension cord. Keep connection joints away from the water supply of a live tree.

-- Outdoor lights should be weatherproof and clearly identified. Don't use indoor lights outdoors because they are not designed to stand up to the elements. Remove outdoor lights as soon as the season is over; even they are not designed to withstand prolonged weather exposure.

-- Always turn the lights off before leaving home. Disconnect from the wall outlet by grasping the plug, not by pulling on the cord.

Georgia Power also encourages adults to supervise small children and pets playing near electrical holiday decorations.

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#90351p3884 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Daily News today filed a major lawsuit against striking unions under Section 303 of the Labor Management Relations Act. The News is seeking damages in excess of $50 million. Today's suit is the second filed by the News against the striking unions. "This action is in response to the continuing pattern of violence, intimidation and harassment being committed against our dealers and advertisers," said News spokesman John Sloan. "We will continue to pursue this and every other appropriate legal remedy to the violence which is being committed against innocent people."

The complaint, which is based on the federal law prohibiting unions from taking action against neutral third parties uninvolved in a labor dispute, said, "During their strike against the New York Daily News, the defendants and agents acting on their behalf have mounted a campaign of violence and intimidation against the News' dealers and advertisers in an effort to disrupt the publication and sale of the newspaper. This unlawful campaign has included many hundreds of incidents of arson, assault, vandalism, threats, intimidation and harassment against innocent third parties."

Nine striking unions and the Allied Printing Trades Council, an umbrella organization representing all of the striking unions, were named in today's suit which seeks damages for revenues lost by the News through diminished sales of the newspaper and lost advertisements as a result of the unions' unlawful actions.

The suit charged that the unions, acting individually and in conspiracy with the Allied Trades Council, have carried out a campaign of intimidation, threats and acts of both physical injury and damage to the property of news dealers. The suit alleges that, "the unlawful activities include incidents of threats of broken windows, of physical injury, and of unlawful picketing or handbilling designed to disrupt or destroy the businesses of advertisers."

The News suit sites the objects of the union violence as "to threaten, coerce or restrain the dealers" in order to force or require them not to carry the newspaper, and "to threaten, coerce or restrain the advertisers" in order to force or require the advertisers not to do business with the News.

On Nov. 29, the News filed a suit seeking treble damages in excess of $150 million from the Drivers Union, the Allied Printing Trades Council, and individuals. That suit charged the defendants with violations of federal racketeering laws (RICO).

CONTACT: John Sloan of Daily News, 212-210-6349.

-30- 2775

#90351p3888 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - In a series of moves designed to expand the marketing capabilities of United Airlines and its subsidiary, Mileage Plus, Inc. (MPI), United will bring together its direct marketing functions at the airline and all of the functions of the MPI organization under the direction of Patricia A. Engels, United's vice president-market development, who will become president of MPI and a member of its board of directors effective Jan. 1.

She will report to Adam M. Aron, United's senior vice president-marketing.

Engels replaces Anita K. "Kay" Hoffmann, who will return to United as vice president and controller to meet the fast-growing airline's needs in its finance division. Hoffmann, who joined MPI earlier this year and put in place a new strategic direction for the data base marketing firm which manages United's Mileage Plus frequent flier program, will remain a key member of MPI's board of directors. Under Hoffmann's leadership, MPI was reorganized to focus its resources exclusively on serving the needs of United and its customers.

"This additional restructuring will allow us to maximize the customer service strengths of MPI and the marketing strength of United," Aron said. "Not only will these functions be closely coordinated under Pat's direction, they will also share a single objective: to meet all of the needs of United's customers."

Engels will assume responsibility for all aspects of MPI's operation, including its data systems management function in Carson, Calif.; its customer service operation in Carson, which will relocate to Tucson, Ariz., in April 1991; and its customer service operation in Rapid City, S.D.

Engels served as United's vice president-market development for two years and joined the airline in 1981.

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#90351p3895 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, AL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - John Floyd has been named editor of Southern Progress Corp.'s Southern Living magazine, announced Nancy Woodhull, executive vice president and editor-in-chief of Southern Progress.

"John's roots are in editorial," Woodhull said. "He possesses a great combination of editorial skills and creativity, and his marketing expertise enhances his ability to present information in an accessible, enjoyable way. He knows the South and has a real passion for the people and places of this region."

Floyd joined Southern Progress as senior horticulturist for Southern Living in 1977 and assumed responsibility for the management and development of the Garden and Landscape Department. In 1978, he assumed additional responsibilities as coordinator of the "Southern Country Living" section of the company's oldest magazine, Progressive Farmer. When Southern Progress launched Southern Living Classics in 1984, Floyd was named editor of that new publication. He subsequently served as editorial director for four different company magazines -- Southern Living Classics and Southern Accents (which eventually merged under the Southern Accents title), Creative Ideas for Living (which the company later sold) and Cooking Light.

Most recently, he served as marketing services director for Southern Living and Southern Accents, as well as Travel South, which Southern Progress purchased in 1988. Floyd has overseen advertising promotion, research, merchandising and production for all of those publications. He also is responsible for the Southern Living Cooking School.

A graduate of Auburn University, Floyd has a bachelor's degree in ornamental

horticulture. He continued his education at Clemson University, where he completed his master's degree in horticulture and his doctorate in plant physiology.

Floyd is a trustee and past president of the Birmingham Botanical Society. He also has served on the Endowment Committee of the American Society for Horticultural Science, the advisory board of the Auburn University School of Landscape Architecture, and the board of the University of North Carolina Botanical Garden at Chapel Hill.

A native of Selma, Ala., Floyd is 42. He and his wife, Pam, live in Trussville, Ala., with their two sons, Ryan and Alex.

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#90351p3896 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI BEACH, FLA. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Non-Invasive Monitoring Systems Inc. (NIMS) (NASDAQ: NIMU) today announced unaudited results for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Revenues for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were approximately $262,000 as compared to $318,000 for the first quarter of last year. For the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990, the company reported a loss of approximately $485,000 as compared to a loss of approximately $148,000 for the first quarter of fiscal 1990.

The decrease in sales and increased loss is due to the company's focusing a large part of its efforts on expanding its present product line by completing development of and planning initial marketing efforts for its new Respitrace Plus and Respicardio Central products. Such products, which combine both pulmonary and cardiac monitoring functions, are pending receipt of Food and Drug Administration permission to market. Subject to receipt of such permission, the company anticipates that it will begin to market and sell these products during the second half of fiscal 1991, although no assurance can be given in this regard.

NIMS is a Florida corporation which is engaged in developing, manufacturing and marketing computer assisted, non-invasive monitoring devices designed to detect abnormal respiratory, cardiac and other medical conditions from sensors placed on the bodies surface.

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#90351p3898 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Mayor Coleman A. Young today accepted a $150,000 check for the Mayor's Emergency Relief Fund from the Chrysler Corporation Fund and immediately disbursed checks totaling $110,000 to 18 Detroit soup kitchens.

The check was presented to the mayor by Chrysler Executive Director of Government Affairs Michael Glusac, and brought to $1 million the amount the Chrysler Fund has contributed to aid the hungry in Detroit in the past eight years. Chrysler has made contributions to the fund in each of the last eight years.

"On behalf of the people of Detroit, I want to thank Chrysler Corporation for this generous contribution to help those who are less fortunate," the mayor said.

"Chrysler's commitment to Detroit is clear. On East Jefferson, a new $1 billion assembly plant is under construction and should be open in about a year. That guarantees Chrysler's continued presence as a major employer in Detroit well into the 21st century.

"This contribution also indicates an ongoing commitment to be a good corporate citizen of Detroit. I welcome it and congratulate Chrysler."

The Mayor's Emergency Relief Fund was established by Mayor Frank Murphy during the Depression and was reactivated in 1982 by Mayor Young during a particularly difficult economic time in Detroit.

Soup kitchens in Detroit provide an average of about 50,000 meals each month and the city's emergency hotline responds to an average of about 200 calls each week -- with 80 percent of those calls related to a food emergency.

During the past year, an average of approximately 330,000 persons received public assistance of some form each month in Detroit. Approximately 230,000 persons receive Aid to Dependent Children benefits and approximately 106,000 households in the City of Detroit receive food stamps monthly.

Official unemployment figures for the city show about 14 percent of the work force out of work, but the mayor said the actual unemployment total is in excess of 23 percent.

"Clearly, there are major needs in this city and many people need the type of assistance Chrysler's check makes possible," the mayor said. "Because of their generosity, many hungry people will be fed."

The mayor distributed checks totaling $110,000 to 18 organizations today. The remaining $40,000 will be used to defray costs of food storage and food purchases for soup kitchens and the emergency hotline operation.

CONTACT: Robert Berg of the mayor's office, 313-224-1544.

-30- 2717

#90351p3900 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The V-22 Osprey development program achieved a key milestone by successfully completing initial shipboard compatibility tests aboard the USS Wasp (LHD-1).

Two V-22s, designated Aircraft Nos. 3 and 4, performed the tests after being ferried from the Naval Air Test Center at Patuxent River Naval Air Station, Md. The shipboard tests were conducted from Dec. 4 to Dec. 7, 1990, as the primary event in the government's second V-22 developmental-test period.

Both aircraft were configured for the Marine Corps combat-assault mission and were equipped with an updated automatic flight-control system (AFCS) that greatly reduces pilot workload.

The V-22s used in the tests were piloted by joint military/Bell Boeing flight crews. On Dec. 4, Maj. Gerald Hammes (USMC), piloting Aircraft No. 4, made the first shipboard landing. Hammes was assisted by Boeing Helicopters' chief test pilot Dick Balzer. On Dec. 7, Maj. Robert Price (USMC) landed Aircraft No. 3 and Bell test pilot Dick Peasely landed on the Wasp. Peasely left the aircraft after several landings and Price was joined by Lt. Cmdr. Peter LeVoci (USN).

The LHD is a fully functioning aircraft carrier having enormous logistics and command and control capabilities. It is about the same size as a World War II aircraft carrier and has a rectangular flight deck, but no catapults or arresting gear that would permit conventional aircraft operations.

The LHD's primary role is to provide for the embarkation, deployment, landing and support of all elements of a U.S. Marine Corps landing force by using the ships' aircraft, helicopters, landing craft, and amphibious vehicles. The LHD can accommodate 30 helicopters, or a combination of helicopters and AV-8 Harriers, some 2,000 combat-equipped troops, and about 200 vehicles.

The Bell Boeing Team is comprised of Bell Helicopter Textron Inc., of Fort Worth, Texas, and Boeing Helicopters, of Philadelphia. Bell is a fully owned subsidiary of Textron Inc. (NYSE: TXT) of Providence, R.I. Boeing Helicopters is a division of the Boeing Defense & Space Group of The Boeing Co. (NYSE: BA) whose headquarters are in Seattle.

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#90351p3901 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Motorworks, the nation's first franchised remanufactured engine installation company, announced today that it has been registered to sell franchises in California. The move effectively opens the chain to the nation's largest automotive market.

Joseph A. Robinson, the company's president, commented, "California has long been regarded as one of the most difficult states in which to register a franchise. We are pleased that Motorworks passed this stringent review, and believe that we will offer an invaluable service to the California motorist."

With the addition to California -- one of 13 states requiring individual registration -- Motorworks is now licensed to sell franchises in all 50 states. Upwards of 30 franchised units are currently in operation or preparing to open in 10 states, with agreements in progress for approximately 20 more shops in 11 additional states. The chain installs nationally warrantied remanufactured car and light truck engines at a price that can be one-tenth the cost of a new car.

Motorworks is beginning a major marketing drive in California, targeted at the large population centers of Los Angeles, Orange County, San Diego and San Francisco.

"With over 16 million automobiles, California represents a tremendous opportunity for Motorworks," Robinson noted. "Given current economic conditions and the high cost of buying a new car, we believe that demand for remanufactured engines will continue to escalate here as it has throughout the rest of the United States."

Robinson explained, "The smaller, higher revving engines and hotter- running engines in today's cars can wear out after as little as 35,000 to 40,000 miles. Very often this happens when the rest of the car is still in good working order. Motorists are then faced with the choice of bearing the expense of buying a new car or getting their engine replaced."

Robinson went on to say that a Motorworks franchise can be especially important in California, where mild weather keeps car bodies from rusting and, thus, outlasting the life of the original engine.

Motorworks, which was founded in 1987, is an affiliates of JARCO, one of the nation's largest engine remanufacturing companies. Both companies are based in Philadelphia.

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#90351p3903 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
KANSAS CITY, MO. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Torotel Inc. (AMEX: TTL), the manufacturer of magnetic components, today reported lower earnings for its second quarter, due primarily to increased labor costs, but a significant increase in income for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Net sales for the three months were $2.6 million, approximately the same level as in last year's second quarter. Net earnings decreased to $16,000, or 1 cent per share, from $103,000, or 4 cents per share, for the prior quarter.

For the first half of fiscal 1991, net sales increased 10.6 percent to $5.3 million, compared with $4.8 million at this time last year. Net earnings showed a 77.5 percent rise, to $191,000, or 7 cents per share, from $111,000, or 4 cents per share, for the prior year-to-date.

Torotel's financial condition improved in several areas. Operating activities this fiscal year have generated $195,000 in cash flow, primarily because of higher earnings. Working capital increased 4.6 percent since the beginning of the year, to $3.7 million. Short- term debt was $53,000, a 78.8 percent reduction since April 30, 1990. Interest expense was down 17 percent because of the lower debt level.

Torotel Inc. specializes in the design and high-volume manufacture of a broad line of precision magnetic components used in military and industrial electronic systems. These components, which include transformers, chokes and toroidal coils, are sold to original equipment manufacturers for use in such programs as avionic equipment, marine communication and navigation, telecommunications, and weapons fire control systems. The company has a customer base of more than 400 companies and over 85 percent of its sales are for defense applications.

CONTACT: Al Marsh, president of Torotel, 816-761-6314; or Lynne Franklin or Linda Eitel, 312-266-7800, or Regina Ryan, 212-661-8030, all of the Financial Relations Board, for Torotel

-30- 2120
#90351p3904 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
BOCA RATON, FL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Siemens AG of Germany and GPT, a subsidiary of the General Electric Company, plc of the United Kingdom, announced today that they have reached a final agreement to merge their North American telecommunications operations.

This formalization means that Siemens Stromberg-Carlson is officially launched as the third largest public network supplier in North America.

Volker Jung, president and CEO of the combined company, said that steps to

integrate operations are already well underway. The emphasis, he said is on implementing a smooth transition to avoid disruption of service to customers.

"We have already begun the necessary steps," Jung said. "Manufacturing is driving to have full production of the EWSD and DCO systems, as well as packet switching, at Lake Mary by mid-1991. And in the area of research and development, our engineering teams are working on a number of common elements, continuing to build on the knowledge gained throughout the past year. Plans are also coming together in other functional areas. Our customers will see evidence of this in growing joint sales and marketing activities.

"We have a clear strategic direction which we are in the process of implementing," said Jung. "These are only the first few critical steps."

Siemens Stromberg-Carlson designs, develops and manufactures a complete line of digital voice and data switching products as well as transmission products. Bssed in Boca Raton, Fla. with manufacturing and other functional groups in Lake Mary, Fla.; Albuquerque, N.M. and Phoenix, Ariz., the company has over 4,000 employees.

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-30- 1935

#90351p3907 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today reported its posted yields for Dec. 14, 1990. All Fannie Mae yields are quoted on a net basis. Servicing fees are not included.

Fixed-Rate Mortgage Yields (30-Day Mandatory Delivery for Actual/Actual Remittances)

	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago Conventional
15-Year FRM	9.19	9.24	9.35
30-Year FRM	9.53	9.59	9.63
FHA/VA (30-Year FRM)	9.78	9.84	9.88

10-, 60- and 90-day yields are also available.

Second Mortgages	9.170	9.210	9.430 Adjustable-Rate

Mortgage (30-year term) Yields

Adjustment Period (year)	Interest Rate Caps Per Adj.	Lifetime	Current	Week Ago	Year Ago	Net Margin
1	1 pct.	6 pct.	8.40	8.40	9.05	2.000 pct.
1 (FHA)	1 pct.	5 pct.	8.65	8.65	9.30	2.000 pct.
1(A)	2 pct.	6 pct.	7.40	7.40	8.00	2.250 pct. 6 mos(A)
(COF)(B)	1 pct.	5 pct.	7.45	7.50	8.05	2.125 pct. (A) Rate

reduction. (B) 11th District Cost of Funds indexed ARM. Lower yields are available for 15-year term ARMs. LIBOR Index Series

Release Date	1-month	3-Month	6-Month	12-Month
November 29, 1990	9.125	8.516	8.375	8.188
October 30, 1990	7.938	8.063	8.063	8.063

Commitment and Purchase Volumes ($Millions)

	Week Ending 12/14/90	Year to Date	Previous Year to Date
Commitments to Purchase(C)	770.5	22,965.9	22,549.9
Purchases	411.1	22,380.2	20,649.9
MBS Issued	3,040.0	92,791.5	64,338.2

(C) Excludes standby commitments issued, but includes standbys converted.

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#90351p3908 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Detroit Edison (NYSE: DTE) today reported November electricity sales to commercial customers were 1.1 percent above 1989 marking the highest November commercial sales in the company's history.

All three customer segments -- residential, commercial and industrial -- showed gains, with total November sales of 3.2 billion kilowatthours (kWh), up 1.3 percent from last year.

Despite warmer November weather, residential sales rose to 878 million kWh, an increase of 1.2 percent from a year earlier. The increase was due primarily to an increase of 19,600 customers and a slightly longer billing period than in 1989.

The record commercial sales of 685 million kWh last month also were attributed to a longer billing period and an increase of 3,000 customers.

November industrial sales were 1.5 billion kWh, up 0.7 percent from 1989. Increased production by steel manufacturers contributed to the increase.

On a year-to-date basis, the company's total sales for the first 11 months of the year were 0.5 percent above 1989. Commercial sales for the 11-month period were 2.1 percent higher, residential sales were up 0.6 percent, and industrial sales were virtually unchanged.

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#90351p3913 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEWTOWN SQUARE, PA. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - ARCO Chemical Co. (NYSE: RCM) today announced that Jack E. Oppasser has been appointed president of ARCO Chemical Europe Inc., which is headquartered in Maidenhead, England.

He replaces Alan R. Hirsig, who will become ARCO Chemical's president and chief executive officer. Both appointments are effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Oppasser has more than 27 years of service with ARCO Chemical and other ARCO companies. He has held a number of leadership positions in employee relations business management, and marketing. For the past 14 months, he has been vice president of Worldwide Business Management.

Oppasser is a member of the Chemical Manufacturers Association, National Petroleum Refiners Association, Society of the Chemical Industry, and American Petroleum Institute.

ARCO Chemical is a leading international manufacturer and marketer of intermediate chemicals and specialty products used in a broad range of consumer goods.

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#90351p3914 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
ST. PAUL, MN (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - ZEOS International, Ltd. (NASDAQ: ZEOS) today announced it has received awards from two computer industry trade publications.

According to Rick Apple, director of marketing, the company has been awarded the PC Magazine Editor's Choice Award for its 80386-based 33MHz personal workstation. The article, appearing in the Jan. 15, 1991 issue of PC Magazine reviewed 26 computer systems based on Intel's 33MHz 80386 processor, the most powerful of the 80386 family. In addition to ZEOS, one other company, Dell Computer of Austin, Texas, also received the award.

In a related development, the company also announced its 80386SX- based computer system has been voted Best Buy of the Year by the readers of Computer Shopper magazine. Computer Shopper, a publication which caters to direct marketing buyers of computer systems and products, annually circulates a ballot to its readers asking them to vote for their favorite products in a number of categories. The ZEOS 30386SX- based system also has been the recipient of a previous PC Magazine Editor's Choice award.

Greg Herrick, president of ZEOS International, noted, "Receiving these two awards back to back is a great honor. Clearly, the 80386SX product is quite

important as it is the first point of entry for customers seeking 80386-based systems. The Editor's Choice Award for our ZEOS '386-33 demonstrates that we are also a leader in high end 80386 machines designed to meet the needs of corporate and power users.

"I particularly liked PC Magazine's observation that '... the Dell System 333D and Zeos 386-33 show that you needn't be among the most expensive to be the best.' That's the same message that we direct marketers have been sending to corporate and volume buyers for some time. It's great to see it in print."

Those interested in receiving more information on ZEOS desktop and notebook computer systems can call the company's sales department toll free at 800-423-5891, or outside the U.S./Canada, 612-633-6131.

ZEOS International, Ltd. manufactures and markets, direct to end users, ISA and EISA (Industry and Extended Industry Standard Architecture) personal computer systems and workstations based on the Intel 80286, 80386 and 80486 microprocessor world wide under the ZEOS name. The company also provides contract manufacturing services under the name NPC Electronics and distributes passive electronic components through its Parts1 distribution division.

CONTACT: Rick Apple of ZEOS, 612-633-5877.

-30- 2718

#90351p3926 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - As part of a major worldwide thrust to strengthen its water treatment activities, W.R. Grace & Co. (NYSE: GRA) today announced a subsidiary has completed the acquisition of The Dexter Corporation's Mogul Water Treatment Systems Europe business. Grace's mold release business, which was part of Grace Specialty Chemicals Co., was sold to Dexter as part of the transaction.

Separately, Grace also announced the purchase of two other water treatment companies that will provide Grace with a strong position in the European market. The purchase price for all three companies was approximately $30 million. Grace currently has more than $200 million in worldwide sales to the water treatment industry.

The companies Grace has purchased are Mogul, the European water treatment business of The Dexter Corporation; Denac, N.V., a private Belgian corporation; and Sachtleben GmbH, a wholly owned subsidiary of Metallgesellschaft GmbH in Germany.

Grace's water treatment businesses operating primarily under its Dearborn Chemical banner consist of specialized chemicals and technical consulting services for the treatment of water used in boilers, cooling towers and water systems. It also provides similar products and services for the treatment of

wastewater effluent to the paper and petroleum refining industries.

The additional sales generated as a result of these acquisitions will allow the company to better leverage its technology, as well as the research that is being conducted at its technical centers around the world. At the same time this will be complemented by new technology obtained from the acquired companies.

Grace operates in the water treatment industry around the world but has been seeking to increase its presence in certain strategic geographic markets, particularly Europe. "These acquisitions will accelerate the development of Grace's water treatment businesses in Europe," according to Donald H. Kohnken, president of Grace Specialty Chemicals Co. Kohnken noted that this geographic market is undergoing a dramatic change as a result of the collapse of the Communist system and the coming of the single EEC market in 1992.

The new units will operate as part of Grace Specialty Chemicals Co., the more-than-$3 billion operating unit of Grace. W.R. Grace & Co. is an international specialty chemicals company with interests in energy, manufacturing and service businesses with sales in excess of $6 billion.

CONTACT: Jim Swords, 212-819-6000, or (investors) Jim Stier, 212-819-6673, both of W.R. Grace & Co.

-30- 2792

#90351p3928 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of NBD Bancorp (NYSE: NBD) today declared a quarterly dividend of 35 cents per share, payable Feb. 10, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 21, 1991.

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#90351p3931 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Enron Gas Marketing Inc., a subsidiary of Enron Corp. (NYSE: ENE), announced today that it has signed a 23-year contract to supply the New York Power Authority with more than 33 million cubic feet (MMcf) of natural gas per day. Over the 23-year period, the contract is valued at approximately $1.3 billion.

Enron Gas Marketing negotiated the first 10 years of the contract at fixed prices. This portion is under the company's successful Gas Bank(SM) program whereby Enron has marketed approximately 540 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas, which is fully balanced by long-term producer commitments at fixed prices. The remaining 13 years of the contract provide for prices to be adjusted monthly based on current market conditions.

"We are extremely pleased to be able to serve the New York Power Authority," said John J. Esslinger, president of Enron Gas Marketing. "This contract exemplifies the success Enron has achieved in committing to long-term firm supply arrangements for new gas projects in an environment that has been dominated by short-term spot gas contracts."

According to New York Power Authority Chairman Richard M. Flynn, the long-term of this contract and its fixed price provisions are particularly attractive features that will benefit electricity consumers in New York State and primarily Long Island.

Gas will begin flowing under the contract beginning Jan. 1, 1991. The New York Power Authority will use capacity rights it holds with a number of east coast pipelines to transport the gas. The gas will be used to fuel power plants built or operated by the New York Power Authority. In particular, the gas contract eventually could fuel a 150,000 kilowatt power plant that the New York Power Authority has proposed to build for Long Island Lighting Co. in Holtsville, in Suffolk County, N.Y. The plant is planned for completion in early 1994.

Enron Gas Marketing is a non-jurisdictional supplier of natural gas to numerous direct-use and resale customers throughout the United States. Enron Corp., America's leading natural gas company with approximately $11 billion in revenues and $9 billion in assets, operates the nation's largest natural gas transmission system; markets natural gas, gas liquids, crude oil and refined products nationally and worldwide; owns 84 percent of Enron Oil & Gas Co., one of the country's largest independent (non-integrated) natural gas exploration and production companies; and also is one of the largest independent producers of electricity in the United States, with extensive experience in combined heat and power installations.

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-30- 2911

#90351p3934 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Rochester Telephone Corp. (NYSE: RTC) today declared a one-cent increase in the quarterly dividend paid on the company's common stock.

The new quarterly dividend of 37.5 cents per share is payable Feb. 1, 1991 to share owners of record on Jan. 15, 1991.

Rochester Telephone has now increased its common stock dividend for 31 consecutive years.

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-30- 665
#90351p3935 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
NILES, OHIO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - RMI Titanium Co. (NYSE: RTI) announced that it has signed a new revolving credit agreement with Society National Bank Pittsburgh National Bank and NBD Bank, N.A.

Society National Bank acted as the agent bank. The new arrangement replaces the existing one for $80 million and provides for a $100 million, three-year revolving agreement, convertible to a four-year amortizing term loan. The agreement provides favorable terms to RMI.

RMI, headquartered in Niles, Ohio, is a leading manufacturer of titanium sponge, mill products and powder. The company's products are used principally in military and commercial aircraft and engines, chemical processing equipment mesh for bridge and deck repair, pulp and paper production facilities, and medical implants.

RMI became a public corporation on April 20, 1990, with common stock trading on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "RTI." There are 14,882,900 shares of common stock outstanding.

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-30- 1222
#90351p3937 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
DENVER (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Royal Gold Inc. (NASDAQ: RGLD) today announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, Royal Long Valley Inc., and its co-venturer Standard Industrial Minerals Inc. have signed an exploration and joint venture agreement with Battle Mountain Exploration Co., a subsidiary of Battle Mountain Gold Co. (NYSE: BMG), on Royal Gold's Long Valley gold prospect, located in Mono County, Calif. Royal Gold, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Royal Long Valley, is earning an interest in the Long Valley property from Standard Industrial Minerals under the terms of a pre-existing joint venture agreement.

Under terms of the new agreement, which is cancellable at any time, Battle Mountain will make an initial cash payment to Royal and Standard, and will perform the assessment work requirements on the property. The agreement provides for a mining joint venture to be formed between Royal Gold and Battle Mountain should exploration result in discovery of significant gold mineralization.

Battle Mountain will pay Royal and Standard $230,000 on the first anniversary of the date upon which it receives all necessary permits required to conduct its planned Phase I drilling program. Royal and Standard will each receive

half of this payment which is anticipated early in 1992.

Battle Mountain will earn up to a 70 percent interest in the property if it adds a stated quantity of proven and probable gold ore to the reserves that have been proven by Royal and Standard. The percentage of ownership is based upon a sliding scale and increases in proportion to the number of ounces of added reserves.

Battle Mountain will pay Royal and Standard $1.5 million within 30 days following a decision by Battle Mountain to mine a commercially mineable reserve of precious metals on the property. The $1.5 million payment will be divided $.875 million to Standard and $.625 million to Royal.

Royal and Standard have agreed to suspend the deadline for Royal's earn in under the original joint venture agreement to permit Battle Mountain to carry out its exploration program.

Royal and Standard have also agreed that the residual participating interest in the joint venture, if Battle Mountain earns in, will be divided equally, provided that Standard's participating interest may not be reduced below 18.75 percent.

Royal Gold is a Denver-based, publicly held corporation. Royal Gold has a controlling interest in two mines in California, is developing another mine in California, and has three exploration properties: two located in Nevada and one in Arizona. Royal Gold is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol RGLD.

CONTACT: Stanley Dempsey of Royal Gold Inc., 303-573-1660.

-30- 2932

#90351p3938 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The News Corporation Limited (NYSE: NWS) today closed the sale of its DeLuxe Laboratories subsidiary of Fox, Inc. to The Rank Organisation plc, a U.K. entertainment concern.

News Corporation announced the sale of DeLuxe to Rank earlier this year for approximately US$150 million.

The closing of the sale had been delayed by a Justice Department challenge that the deal violated anti-trust laws. A federal judge recently denied the government's request for an injunction, clearing the way for the sale to proceed.

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-30- 821
#90351p3942 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (HongkongBank) and Midland Group have decided, following full and careful consideration, that this is not the right time for a closer structural association between the two groups, HongkongBank announced today.

The business cooperation between the two groups which began at the end of 1987 when HongkongBank made a 14.9 percent investment in Midland, has made considerable progress and the two groups now cooperate closely in a wide range of activities. However, the difficult economic conditions affecting most of the world's major banks, and the uncertain state of financial markets, do not at present provide a sufficiently stable environment in which to consider a fundamental change in the relationship between Midland and HongkongBank.

The two groups consider that it would be imprudent to divert managerial and other resources to the creation of a new larger structure embracing both banking groups at this challenging time for the banking industry. To be sure of success, such an enlarged operation would require a very considerable number of senior management initiatives in order to exploit the synergies available, integrate financial and risk management controls and maximize cost savings.

Both groups intend to maintain and build on their partnership which has already yielded significant benefits during the last three years, for example, through the rationalization of overseas networks, cross- referral of business, staff secondments and the exploitation of electronic banking opportunities.

HongkongBank intends to remain a supportive and long-term shareholder in Midland, after the agreement relating to its investment expires on Dec. 22. Each bank will remain represented on the board of the other.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The general partner of Summit Tax Exempt Bond Fund, L.P. (AMEX: SUA) announced today a $.21 distribution per BUC for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990, which will be payable on or about Feb. 15, 1991, to investors of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

The general partners also announced that for the three quarters ending Sept. 30, 1990, substantially all distributions have been paid from operating cash available for distribution (adjusted net income) and that adjusted net income for the period was equal to $.63 per BUC. SUA reports adjusted net income by adding to net income certain non-cash items such as amortization, provision

for valuation allowances, and uncollectible receivables which are written off.

Since the fourth quarter of 1989, adjusted net income has remained stable at an average of $.21 per BUC per quarter. Similar results are anticipated for the immediate future.

CONTACT: Chester Piskorowski of Prudential-Bache, 212-214-2178

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CHICAGO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Great American Management and Investment Inc. (NASDAQ: GAMI) today reported the unaudited results of its operations for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. A summary of those results and the results for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989 is as follows (amounts in millions except per share amounts):

GREAT AMERICAN MANAGEMENT AND INVESTMENT INC.

QUARTER ENDED OCT. 31,	1990	1989
Net sales & revenue	$464.6	$414.9
Operating expenses	(425.7)	(373.2)
Total	$ 38.9	$ 41.7
Other (expense) income	(5.7)	5.9
Interest expense, net	(32.6)	(29.0)
Inc. from cont. operations before income taxes	$ .6	$ 18.6
Income taxes on continuing operations	(.3)	(7.6)
Income from continuing operations	.3	11.0
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS:		
Inc. (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	1.9	(2.4)
Gain on disposal of discont. operations, net of tax of $17.8	26.9	--
Income before minority interests and extraordinary item	29.1	8.6
Minority interest	(.8)	--
Income before extraord. item	28.3	8.6
Extraordinary item	.2	.9
NET INCOME	$ 28.5	$ 9.5
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE:		
Continuing operations	(.04)	$1.00
Discontinued operations	2.59	(.22)
Extraordinary item	.02	.08
Net income per common share	$ 2.57	$ .86

The extraordinary item for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 was due to the

early retirement of debt. The extraordinary item for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1989 was the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards.

The company held its annual shareholders' meeting Dec. 13, 1990. At that meeting, the shareholders re-elected Bradbury Dyer III, David A. Gardner, William K. Hall, F. Philip Handy, F. Warren Hellman, David J. Johnson, Jerry J. Pezzella Jr., Donald W. Phillips, Sheli Z. Rosenberg and Samuel Zell as directors of the company. Additionally, the shareholders approved the company's Amended and Restated 1991 Stock Option Plan for 2,000,000 shares. Proxies for over 96 percent of the shareholders were voted at the meeting.

CONTACT: Susan Obuchowski 312-454-0100, for Great American Management and Investment Inc.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reached an agreement with Inertia Dynamics Corp., settling an administrative enforcement action which charged the company with failure to estimate and report releases of toxic chemicals from its facility at 7125 West Galveston St., Chandler, Ariz.

Failure to submit annual toxic release inventory reports is a violation of the federal Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA). In addition to submitting the required reports, the company must pay $30,600.

"Companies should not confuse this requirement to report total chemical releases with other provisions of the law that focus on emergency planning," said David P. Howekamp, director of the air and toxics division of EPA's western regional office.

A complaint filed by EPA's regional office in San Francisco cited the facility for failure to submit reports estimating its releases of tetrachloroethene during 1987 and 1988. The chemical is a known animal carcinogen and may cause birth defects. The company manufactures gas-driven, piston-powered products such as garden trimming equipment. The facility uses the solvent as a metal cleaner.

EPCRA requires toxic release inventory reports every year to EPA and state agencies from manufacturers with more than 10 employees that manufacture, process or use certain toxic chemicals over a specified threshold amount. The reports provide estimates of the amounts of each toxic chemical released, both accidentally and routinely, to the environment, or transferred to another facility or publicly owned wastewater treatment works for treatment and disposal during the previous calendar year. The next reports, covering 1990, are due by July 1, 1991.

All of the information contained in the toxic release inventory reports is available to the public through a computerized database accessible from home computers. In addition, the entire national database can be reviewed on microfiche at selected libraries throughout the country. For copies of the reports submitted by facilities in Arizona contact the Arizona Division of Emergency Services at 602-244-0504.

Further information may be obtained by calling EPA's toll-free Community Right-to-Know Hotline at 800-535-0202, or by writing to Kathleen Goforth, Regional Program Manager, Toxic Release Inventory Program, U.S. EPA (A-4-3), 75 Hawthorne St., San Francisco, CA 94105.

CONTACT: Al Zemsky of the U.S. EPA, 415-744-1589.

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WAYNE, PA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - SEI Corp. (NASDAQ: SEIC) announced today that its board of directors approved a semiannual dividend of $.05 per share to shareholders of record on Dec. 18, 1990, payable on Jan. 9, 1991.

In another action, the board authorized $10 million for its ongoing stock buy-back program.

CONTACT: Murray Louis of SEI Corp., 215-254-1932.

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RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Media General, Inc. (AMEX: MEG) today issued the following operations report for November.

	November			Year to Date		
Division	1990	1989	Change	1990	1989	Change
Revenues ($000)	$53,353	$54,741	$(1,388)	$563,879	$548,083	$ 15,796
Newspapers (a)	26,795	27,264	(469)	271,109	276,092	(4,983)
Newprint	10,229	13,117	(2,888)	118,156	121,713	(3,557)
Broadcast	13,868	12,563	1,305	140,270	127,452	12,818
All other	2,760	2,237	523	38,040	29,578	8,462
Less intercompany sales	(299)	(440)	141	(3,696)	(6,752)	3,056
Newspapers Ad Revenue ($000)	$22,103	$22,254	($151)	$222,181	$224,099	($1,918)
Richmond	7,696	8,105	(409)	78,852	81,808	(2,956)
Tampa	11,390	10,843	547	114,258	112,153	2,105
Winston-						

Salem	3,017	3,306	(289)	29,071	30,138	(1,067)
Newspaper Ad						
Inches	877,152	900,125	(22,973)	7,996,475	8,336,976	(340,501)
Richmond	358,713	363,861	(5,148)	3,198,099	3,315,784	(117,685)
Tampa	307,486	307,185	301	2,825,025	2,924,929	(99,904)
Winston-						
Salem	210,953	229,079	(18,126)	1,973,351	2,096,263	(122,912)
Newsprint Production (Tons)						
Garfield	18,928	18,009	919	210,543	197,613	12,930

NOTE: ALL DATA ARE SUBJECT TO LATER AUDIT ADJUSTMENTS. AD INCHES INCLUDES PART-RUN INCHES COUNTED IN TERMS OF ITS FULL-RUN EQUIVALENT.

(a) 1989 AND 1990 YEAR TO DATE DATA INCLUDE RESULTS OF THE WEST COAST WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS WHICH WERE SOLD IN APRIL 1990

CONTACT: David L. Jordan, Senior Vice President, Media General, Inc.,. 804-649-6000.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued a complaint against Pageant Spas Inc. for an alleged violation of the Emergency Planning and Community Right- to-Know Act (EPCRA).

The complaint was issued against the company's facility at 4850 Felspar St., Glen Avon, Calif., for failing to report releases of styrene to the environment. Styrene is a mutagen and is highly flammable and reactive.

The alleged violation was discovered during a routine inspection by EPA. "Companies should not confuse the requirement to report total chemical emissions with other provisions of the law that focus on emergency planning," said David P. Howekamp, director of the air and toxics division of EPA's western regional office.

The complaint alleges failure to report emissions for 1987 and 1988 and assesses a penalty of $34,000. The facility manufactures spas. Styrene is a component of the resin used in the manufacturing process.

The company has 20 days from receipt of the complaint to respond to the complaint and to request a hearing.

EPCRA requires reports every year to EPA and the state from manufacturers with more than ten employees that manufacture, process or use certain chemicals, over a specified threshold amount. These reports provide estimates of the amounts of each toxic chemical released, both accidentally and routinely, to the environment, or transferred to another facility or publicly-owned

wastewater treatment works for treatment and disposal during the previous calendar year. More than 320 chemicals are subject to the reporting requirement. The next reports, covering 1990, are due July 1, 1991.

"Companies that violate the law will be penalized and must suffer the financial consequences. The proposed penalty has been assessed against this facility because it failed to estimate and report releases of toxics to the air, land and water," Howekamp said.

All of the information contained in these toxic release inventory reports is available to the public. For copies of the reports submitted by facilities in California contact the California Environmental Affairs Agency at 916-327-1848. In addition, the entire national data base is accessible to home computers, and from microfiche at selected libraries throughout the country.

Further information may be obtained by calling EPA's toll-free Community-Right-to-Know Hotline at 800-535-0202, or by writing to Kathleen Goforth, Regional Program Manager, Toxic Release Inventory Program, U.S. EPA (A-4-3), 75 Hawthorne St., San Francisco, CA 94105.

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CO: Environmental Protection Agency; Pageant Spas Inc. ST: California IN: SU:

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued a complaint against Excel Industries Inc. for an alleged violation of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA).

The complaint was issued against the company's facility at 4636 North 43rd Ave., Phoenix, Ariz., for failing to report releases of styrene and toluene to the environment. Styrene is a mutagen and is highly flammable and reactive. Toluene may cause mutations in living cells and repeated exposures can damage bone marrow, causing low blood cell counts.

The alleged violation was discovered during a routine inspection by EPA. "Companies should not confuse the requirement to report total chemical emissions with other provisions of the law that focus on emergency planning," said David P. Howekamp, director of the air and toxics division of EPA's western regional office.

The complaint alleges failure to report emissions for 1988 and assesses a penalty of $34,000. The facility manufactures kitchen cabinets and counters.

The company has 20 days from receipt of the complaint to respond to the complaint and to request a hearing.

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CONTACT: Al Zemsky of the U.S. EPA, 415-744-1589.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - BellSouth Corp. (NYSE: BLS) today became the first of the seven regional Bell holding companies to achieve a totally electronic network, enabling the company to provide state-of-the-art communications technology throughout its nine-state region.

The milestone was reached when the last two electromechanical central offices in the BellSouth region were retired and replaced with new electronic switching equipment. BellSouth's operating companies have invested $6.2 billion in this sophisticated electronic equipment, which is known as stored program control switching.

BellSouth officials utilized the technology today in a three-way conference call to inform Alfred Sikes, chairman of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), of the company's achievement. Participating in the three-way conference call in Birmingham, Ala., and Atlanta were the presidents of BellSouth's two operating telephone companies, Carl F. Bailey, president of South Central Bell and B. Franklin Skinner, president of Southern Bell, and the president of

BellSouth Services, Hugh B. Jacks.

An all-electronic network will allow each of BellSouth's customers served by Southern Bell and South Central Bell to do everything from automatically forwarding calls to conducting three-way conference calls. It also allows customers to reach their choice of interexchange carrier without having to dial extra numbers.

BellSouth offers a wide variety of services that put the modern telephone network to work for the customer. With the conversion to all-electronic central offices, every customer served by one of the company's 17.4 million lines can have access to Custom Calling Services such as Call Forwarding and Call Waiting. They can now access their long distance carrier of choice without having to dial extra numbers. Customers are also a step closer to even more sophisticated redialing, tracing, call blocking and voice messaging features.

BellSouth Corp. was created as the holding company for Southern Bell and South
BellSouth is an Atlanta-based international telecommunications holding company. Its subsidiaries offer local telephone service in nine Southeastern states and mobile communications service worldwide, provide advertising and publishing services, and market and maintain stand-alone and fully integrated communications systems.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (HongkongBank) intends to put before shareholders the following proposals to reorganize the structure of the HongkongBank group:

(a) -- There will be a new group holding company, headquartered in Hong Kong, of which HongkongBank will become a wholly owned subsidiary. It is proposed to use an existing group company as the holding company. This company, which will change its name to "HSBC Holdings plc," is at present a wholly owned subsidiary of HongkongBank, and is a non-resident Uk-incorporated company managed and controlled in Hong Kong.

(b) -- The existing issued shares in HongkongBank will be transferred to HSBC Holdings plc and shareholders will become shareholders in HSBC Holdings plc. Shareholders of HongkongBank will receive one new ordinary share of HK$10 in HSBC Holdings plc in exchange for four existing shares of HK$2.50 in HongkongBank.

(c) -- The listings of HongkongBank on the stock exchange in Hong Kong will be

replaced by listings of HSBC Holdings plc on those exchanges. The primary listing will be on the stock exchange in Hong Kong.

It is intended to implement the proposal by a Scheme of Arrangement under section 166 of the Companies Ordinance of Hong Kong.

It is an essential feature of the proposals that management and control of the HongkongBank group will remain in Hong Kong. The head offices of HSBC Holdings plc and HongkongBank will be in Hong Kong. The existing directors of Hongkong Bank will also become directors of HSBC Holdings plc, and both boards will meet in Hong Kong. Both HSBC Holdings plc and HongkongBank will be supervised by Hong Kong's commissioner of banking. The assets, liabilities and operations of the group will remain unchanged.

HongkongBank will remain constituted under The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited Ordinance and incorporated under the Companies Ordinance of Hong Kong. It will remain domiciled in Hong Kong.

HSBC Holdings plc will remain based and resident in Hong Kong, where it will be managed and controlled. Upon implementation of these proposals, the ownership of HSBC Holdings plc will rest with the existing shareholders of HongkongBank, and its annual general meetings and other shareholders' meetings will be held in Hong Kong. Its equity share capital will be denominated in Hong Kong dollars and, as is presently the case with HongkongBank shares, its Hong Kong dollar dividends will not be subject to withholding tax. HSBC Holdings plc's status as a UK incorporated company, non-resident for UK tax purposes, means that it is not liable to UK tax on income and gains derived outside the UK, so that on implementation of the proposals no additional UK tax will be payable by the group.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Patrick G. Caviness has joined BEI Golembe as senior vice president with the consulting firm's Southwest Region in Dallas.

In his new position, Caviness will be responsible for directing the region's strategic and regulatory paractice, and for supporting BEI Golembe's Washington, D.C.-based Capital Markets Group financial advisory practice. According to Scott Schaefer, managing director, "We have been, and are continuing to expand our staff in Dallas to provide increased support for our Southwest clients. Caviness brings an extensive background in strategic, financial and regulatory affairs to our group and will further strengthen our capabilities to service our clients in this continually changing environment."

Prior to joining BEI Golembe, Caviness was director of Capital Enhancement for

the Office of Thrift Supervisor (OTS) in Washington, where he guided the agency's efforts to develop alternative recapitalization sources for troubled thrift institutions.

Caviness began his banking and financial industry career as a corporate strategist with First Arkansas Bank Stock Corporation in Little Rock, Ark. His industry background includes senior management responsibilities with T.J. Raney & Sons and Washington Bancorporation. Caviness co-founded Community Capital Group which specialized in providing corporate finance advice and capital formation services for community banks and thrifts. His firm was acquired in 1987 by Ryan, Beck & Company.

Caviness is a 1964 graduate of Yale University, earned his MBA at The Wharton Graduate School of Finance, University of Pennsylvania, in 1971, and completed the graduate banking program at the Stonier Graduate School of Banking in 1979.

BEI Golembe is a unit of BEI Holdings, Ltd. (NASDAQ: BEIH). The firm specializes in financial institution consulting with an emphasis on providing operational and organizational improvement implementation assistance, institutional restructuring support, regulatory advice, financial advice, and strategic planning support to banks, thrifts and credit unions. The firm has offices in Dallas; Atlanta; Chicago; San Diego, Calif.; Boston; and Washington.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - W. James Armstrong has been appointed managing director of BEI Golembe's Midwest Region which is headquartered in Chicago.

Armstrong will be responsible for managing the firm's Chicago-based financial industry consulting group.

Prior to joining BEI Golembe in April of this year, Armstrong spent 33 years as a banker in the Midwest. Armstrong began his career in 1957 with The Northern Trust Company. He was chief financial officer there from 1979 to 1981. Armstrong joined Norwest Bank Minneapolis, the lead bank of Norwest Corp., in 1981 as president and chief operating officer, and was appointed chief executive officer in 1982. He joined Midwest Financial Group in Peoria Ill., as president and chief operating officer in 1988 and served in that position through the acquisition of the company by First of America in 1989.

Armstrong is an alumnus of Ripon College where he earned his B.A. in Economics holds an M.B.A. from the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, and is a graduate of the Stonier Graduate School of Banking.

According to Thomas McGrath, chairman of BEI Golembe: "Mr. Armstrong brings an exceptionally strong combination of industry experience and managerial expertise to this position at a time of increased pressure on our financial institution clients. We have responded to the pressure on our clients by further extending our regional consulting practices to improve accessibility to critical services. In his new position, Jim will lead a team of senior consultants, all with extensive financial industry experience, who specialize in designing and implementing organizational consolidations, installing expense controls and revenue enhancements, analyzing acquisitions and divestitures, and advising on regulatory matters, including compliance and examination issues."

Armstrong has been actively involved in the Association of Reserve City Bankers, the American Bankers Association Leadership Council, and the Financial Executives Institute.

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TAMPA, FLA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Merlin Gackle and Harvey Glassman have both been promoted to the position of executive vice president and member of the executive committee of INVEST Financial Corp. The announcement was made by D. Mark Olson, president and chief executive officer. INVEST provides complementary financial products and services to clients of about 200 banks and thrifts nationwide.

Gackle, director of sales, will continue to have responsibility for a nationwide sales force comprised of more than 1,600 INVEST representatives, INVEST managers and regional sales managers. Glassman, director of financial services, will continue to have responsibility for selecting products that are offered to bank clients at INVEST centers nationwide, and for marketing, financial planning, portfolio review and pension services.

"The leadership of Mr. Gackle and Mr. Glassman contributed substantially to INVEST, achieving 40 percent growth in 1990, a record for the company that is now eight years old. Their promotions reflect INVEST's commitment to providing bank clients with quality services and products that reflect these clients' concerns for safety and security," said Olson.

Gackle and Glassman join Olson and Lou Newtson, INVEST's chief financial officer and director of finance and administration, as members of the executive committee, which sets policy for the company.

In other news, Jeff Thornton has been appointed to the position of senior vice president in charge of new business development with responsibility for bringing new banks into the INVEST network. Until recently Thornton managed

the financial institution division of Sun America Marketing of Los Angeles, a subsidiary of Broad Inc. Prior to that he was with Landmark Financial Services, where he was responsible for implementing the Citibank annuity program in New York.

Gackle joined INVEST in 1990 from Colonial Investment Services in Boston, where he was senior vice president and national sales manager responsible for the sale and marketing of annuity products and mutual funds.

INVEST Financial Corp. is a subsidiary of Kemper Financial Companies. INVEST is the oldest firm of its type and was founded solely to provide bank clients with annuities, mutual funds, unit investment trusts, financial planning and other services.

ONTACT: Harry Haigley of INVEST, 800-242-4732 or home 813-864-1700

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CHICAGO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Santa Fe Pacific Gold Corp., a unit of Santa Fe Pacific Corp. (NYSE: SFX), has significantly increased its gold ore reserves from 3.8 million ounces to 4.7 million ounces.

Reserves increased 1 million ounces as a result of the completion of mine planning for the initial phase of the recently announced "Lone Tree Mine" project located near Winnemucca, Nev. The Lone Tree Mine is wholly owned by Santa Fe Pacific Gold Corp.

Current reserves at the Lone Tree Mine are 5.4 million tons of oxide mill ore grading 0.159 ounce/ton using a 0.05 ounce/ton cut-off, and 5.7 million tons of heap leach ore grading 0.025 ounce/ton using 0.01 ounce/ton cut-off. Engineering work on the sulfide section of the ore body is ongoing and the company expects that a major portion of the 1.2 million ounce sulfide resource be added to the reserve category as that work is completed.

Santa Fe Pacific Gold will produce 48,000 ounces of gold during 1990 from its newly commissioned Rabbit Creek Mine and its 30 percent share of the Marigold Mine, both located near Winnemucca, Nev.

The Lone Tree Mine is expected to begin production in the third quarter of 1991 at a nominal rate of 100,000 ounces per year. In conjunction with the ongoing expansion of the Rabbit Creek Mine, the firm anticipates total gold production of over 300,000 ounces in 1992, positioning the company firmly among the major North American gold producers.

CONTACT: Santa Fe Public Relations, 312-786-6267

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#90351p3977 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Cox Enterprises today completed the acquisition of KKWM(FM) in Dallas from AnchorMedia Group for an undisclosed sum.

The sale -- announced on Oct. 12 -- was contingent upon approval by the Federal Communications Commission. The announcement was made by Mike Faherty executive vice president-radio for the broadcasting division of Cox. Faherty also announced two management promotions related to the acquisition.

Gregg Lindahl has been promoted to vice president and general manager of KKWM(FM). He transfers from Charlotte, N.C., where he held the same position at WSOC AM-FM for four years.

Todd Leiser succeeds Lindahl as vice president and general manager of WSOC AM-FM. Leiser has been promoted from general sales manager of WSUN, WWRM(FM) Tampa-St. Petersburg.

Commenting on the announcement, Faherty said: "We're excited that this acquisition not only allows us to operate in the nation's seventh-largest market -- but also gives us an opportunity to promote two terrific managers. We look forward to a long future of growth, both for Dallas and -- under Gregg's leadership -- our new station. At the same time, we're confident that Todd will continue our outstanding record in Charlotte."

Gregg Lindahl Before joining WSOC AM-FM in 1986, Lindahl was operations manager and, then, group program director of Opryland USA Radio Group, Nashville. He also held management positions with KOMA, Oklahoma City, and WDGY, Minneapolis-St. Paul.

With the acquisition of KKWM(FM), Cox Enterprises has radio and television stations in five of the top 10 markets nationwide. Cox radio stations include WSB AM-FM, Atlanta; WHIO, WHKO(FM), Dayton, Ohio; WSOC AM-FM, Charlotte, N.C.; KFI, KOST(FM), Los Angeles; WIOD, WFLC(FM), Miami; WSUN, WWRM(FM), Tampa-St. Petersburg; and WCKG(FM), Chicago, as well as KKWM(FM).

A major group broadcaster, Cox also has television stations in Atlanta, Charlotte, Dayton, Detroit, Orlando, Pittsburgh and San Francisco-Oakland.

Cox Enterprises is a leader in newspaper publishing, cable television and automobile auctions, as well as broadcasting.

CONTACT: Cox communications department, 404-843-5123

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CHARLOTTE, NC (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - United Dominion Industries (NYSE, TSE: UDI) today announced that it has purchased compaction equipment product lines and related assets from the Hyster Company, designers, manufacturers and marketers of fork lift trucks based in Portland, Ore. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

The acquired facility, which has annual sales of approximately $20 million, manufactures a wide variety of compaction equipment in Kewanee, Ill. It will become a unit of BOMAG, the world's leading producer of asphalt, soil and landfill compaction equipment and a wholly-owned subsidiary of United Dominion.

William R. Holland, chairman and chief executive officer of United Dominion, said the purchase is part of the company's ongoing focus on growth strategies in its core businesses.

"The addition of Hyster Compaction provides BOMAG with a large, well equipped North American manufacturing facility, a broader product line including static and rubber tire roller compaction equipment, and improved access to North American markets through well-established Hyster and BOMAG distributor networks," Mr. Holland said.

He said the plant will continue to manufacture Hyster compaction equipment, while production of certain BOMAG product lines for the North American market will be transferred to the Kewanee facility.

United Dominion is a manufacturing, construction and engineering company primarily serving non-residential construction, energy and industrial equipment markets worldwide.

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-30- 1790

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - R.H. Macy & Co., Inc. announced today that it has reached agreements with existing non-management investors to purchase approximately $119 million of Series III preferred stock at a price of $31.81 per share, in the company's private equity offering. Closings on these transactions is expected to occur by Wednesday, Dec. 19.

In addition, the company announced that it has reached an agreement in principle with an affiliate of Sir Run Run Shaw, a Hong Kong investor, to acquire $25 million of Series III preferred stock at $31.81 per share. As part of this agreement in principle, Sir Run Run's affiliates would also be entitled, for a period ending March 31, 1991, to acquire an additional $25 million of shares at the same price. The closing of this transaction will be subject to the completion and execution of definitive documentation, appropriate board and shareholder approval and other customary closing

conditions.

Macy's further announced that it sold $18.6 million of Series II preferred stock at $159.05 per share to several shopping center developers, one of which is CPI-Roosevelt Field Corporation, with whom an agreement in principle has been reached to purchase approximately $13.1 million of Series II preferred stock at $159.05 per share, following the satisfaction of certain closing conditions. CPI-Roosevelt Field is currently a holder of Series II preferred stock, and as part of the private equity offering noted above, has agreed to acquire $8.2 million of Series III preferred stock at $31.81 per share.

The Series II preferred stock transactions were entered into because the company presently operates department and specialty stores at malls owned by the purchasers or their affiliates who wished to enhance their present relationships with the company in light of the prospect of future real estate relationships, and in connection with amendments to operating and other agreements between the company and such purchasers relating to certain real estate interests.

Macy's intends to use the proceeds from the foregoing transactions to repurchase the company's subordinated indebtedness from time to time, in the open market, through privately negotiated transactions or otherwise. Pending such application, the proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes.

CONTACT: Maureen Burgess or James N. Fingeroth of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for R.H. Macy & Co.

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MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Telident, Inc. (Local OTC), a manufacturer of dedicated telephone networks for the public safety market, today announced the sale of a 9-1-1 STS (Station Translation System) to be used with the PBX network for the state of Iowa offices.

Telident's 9-1-1 STS interfaces the state's 8,000-line Rolm PBX network with the Enhanced 9-1-1 public telephone network. The system, which was installed earlier this month, enables the enhanced 9-1-1 network to route emergency calls from state offices to the proper PSAP (public safety answering point). It also enables an emergency 9-1-1 call-taker to identify the location of an individual state office station from which an emergency call is placed. Prior to the installation of Telident's STS, if a state employee made a direct 9-1-1 call from his or her station, immediate identification of the exact location of the call was not possible without the caller's input.

"We consider Telident's product to be a part of the solution to provide state employees with the same level of 9-1-1 service they have when at home. We hope to set an example for other PBX operations in Iowa, as well as across the

nation," said Glen D. Anderson, director of general services communications for the state of Iowa.

The first Telident STS was sold to the city of Minneapolis for use on a PBX serving 1,800 stations in five buildings. Installation costs depend on the number of emergency trunk lines involved.

Telident, Inc. is a Minneapolis-based publicly held company formed to develop telephone equipment that serves the telecommunications industry, including the public safety marketplace. Telident shares are traded on the Minneapolis local over-the-counter market.

CONTACT: Steve Tyler of Telident, 612-835-2988.

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#90351p3983 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

OCALA, FL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Judith Kaplan, chair of Action Products International Inc. (NASDAQ: APII) of Ocala, Fla. announced the election of C. Dan Hicks to the board of directors.

Hicks most recently served as president and CEO of Clairson International Corp., which was purchased by Vermont American Corp. in March 1990. He is currently a director of Citizens First Bank of Ocala and was an organizer and former director of Safra Bank. Hicks is a partner in the legal firm of Hicks, MacQuarris, and Futch, a law firm servicing the business community in Ocala, Fla.

Action Products International Inc. is a manufacturer and importer/exporter of space, dinosaur, animal and aquarium gift items specializing in the museum and corporate gift market and the manufacturer of Astronaut food products.

CONTACT: Warren Kaplan of Action Products International Inc., 904-687-2202.

-30- 1064

#90351p3987 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Standard Federal Bank announced a 1/4-percent decrease in interest rates charged for its Fixed-Rate and Lifetime Convertible Adjustable-Rate Mortgage (ARM) loans. The new rates are:

Lifetime Convertible Adjustable-Rate Mortgage	7-1/4 percent
15-Year Fixed-Rate Mortgage	9-1/4 percent
30-Year Fixed-Rate Mortgage	9-1/2 percent

To obtain these interest rates, the borrower will pay a 2-percent loan discount fee plus application fee and out-of-pocket expenses.

"These mortgage rates are the lowest they've been in years," noted Thomas R.

Ricketts, chairman and president of Standard Federal. "These new financing terms make this a great time to buy a new house or refinance an existing home."

Standard Federal Bank (NYSE: SFB), headquartered in Troy, has current assets of approximately $9.5 billion and operates 114 branch offices throughout Michigan and Indiana.

CONTACT: William R. Yaw Jr., of Standard Federal Bank, 313-643-9600, or 800-482-3930 in Michigan, or 800-874-3716 in Indiana.

-30- 1258

#90351p3991 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

JASPER, AL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - First Commercial Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: FSCB) announced today that its board has declared a quarterly cash dividend of $.17 per share, to be paid on Jan. 7, 1991.

This represents an increase in the dividend rate of $.01 per share. The dividend will be payable to shareholders of record at the close of business on Dec. 27, with an ex-dividend date of Dec. 19. Total assets for the Alabama-based bank holding company as of Sept. 30 were $746 million with net income of $5.3 million for the nine months ended Sept. 30.

First Commercial Bancshares Inc. operates four banks, First National Bank of Jasper, First Commercial Bank in Birmingham, The Bank of Tuscaloosa, and Sterling Bank in Montgomery, Ala. First Commercial Bancshares Inc. and Citizens Independent Bancorp have executed a merger agreement under the terms of which the shareholders of Citizens Independent Bancorp will receive .9 shares of First Commercial common stock for each Citizens Independent Bancorp share they own. The transaction is subject to the receipt of all necessary regulatory approvals and approval by Citizens Independent Bancorp shareholders. Citizens Independent is a one-bank holding company with total assets of $56.7 million as of Sept. 30.

CONTACT: Robert M. Couch of First Commercial Bancshares, 205-868-4819

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#90351p3993 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MI (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation's minivans, which have commanded a "Best in Class" reputation in the auto industry, are further strengthening their position in 1991.

Chrysler announced today a new program in which it is increasing the value and appeal of its 1991 model Plymouth Voyager, Dodge Caravan and Chrysler Town & Country minivans with equipment and incentive packages for customers while also introducing a driver air bag, a minivan industry first.

"Chrysler is moving another giant step ahead," Chairman Lee A. Iacocca said. "Our minivan competitors have taken their best shots, but we're still No. 1 and now we're extending our safety leadership to minivans as well as cars."

In a national satellite telecast to dealers, Chrysler announced several phases of the minivan program which go into effect between now and February, when minivan driver airbags will become available in limited but increasing production quantities.

For openers, Chrysler is offering a $500 customer cash incentive on the purchase of any 1991 model minivan delivered between today, Dec. 17, through Jan. 31. The new allowance can be coupled with $500 cash certificates from Chrysler's recent direct mail program to its 1984-89 minivan owners if applied to replacement vehicles delivered or ordered before Jan. 1, 1991.

Effective Feb. 1 and through March 31, customers will have the choice of a minivan with free $500 airbag, or the $500 rebate on a non- airbag minivan.

Further emphasizing its safety leadership, Chrysler also will introduce a Security Package on 3.3-liter powered minivans. The package includes driver airbag and anti-lock brake system (ABS), for a net price of $499. The package is listed at $1,299, but will be discounted $800. The net price for this outstanding value is $300 less than ABS alone.

Chrysler also is enhancing its "Family Value" discount package for entry level minivan buyers. This optional package with air conditioning, rear defroster, dual horns, deluxe insulation, light package and power liftgate release had been discounted $300 for a net price of $1,102. The discount now is increased to $857, reducing the net to $545 or essentially providing air conditioning free. In February, with a free airbag added to the package, the "Family Value" short wheelbase miniwagon with four-cylinder engine will be available for as low as $13,760.

Details on successive programs will be covered in extensive advertising campaigns.

CONTACT: Tom Jakobowski of Chrysler, 313-956-1881 or 313-956-1898.

-30- 2757

#90351p3994 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Bernd K. Koken, chairman and chief executive officer of Abitibi-Price Inc. (NYSE: ABY) today announced that the board of directors has approved the installation of a recycling plant at the Fort William newsprint mill in Thunder Bay, Ontario. As the company's first Canadian recycled newsprint mill, it will produce 140,000 tons of newsprint per year with a 40 percent recycled content.

"This project is part of our continuing commitment to our customers' requirements and environmental concerns," said Mickey Devine and Don Martin, Abitibi-Price senior vice-presidents responsible for the company's North American Publishers Business. "Upon startup in the second quarter of 1992, 33 percent of the company's North American newsprint capacity will have recycled content."

The recycling plant will use 170 tons per day of recovered waste made up of 70 percent old newspapers and 30 percent old magazines. The waste material will be sourced from central Canada and the U.S. Midwest, the same markets where the mill's newsprint is sold.

The project will cost $50 million, which is contingent upon final approval of a grant from Ontario Hydro, as part of its energy conservation program.

The company is currently recycling newsprint at the Augusta Newsprint Company, in Augusta, Ga., a joint venture with the Thomson Corporation. In addition, the company previously announced a recycling facility at the Alabama River Newsprint Company in Claiborne, Ala., a joint venture with Parsons & Whittemore.

Abitibi-Price, an integrated forest products company with headquarters in Toronto, is a producer of newsprint, uncoated groundwood papers, coated papers and building products and is a converter and distributor of papers and other information-related products.

CONTACT: Sharon Paul Vice-President of Abitibi-Price, 416-369-6809.

-30- 2047

#90351p3996 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUDSON, OH (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Fabri-Centers of America, Inc. (NYSE: FCA) today authorized a 3-for-2 split of the company's common stock. The split will be carried out by paying a 50 percent stock dividend on Jan. 25, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 28, 1990.

Today's action will result in the distribution of one new share of Fabri-Centers' common stock for every two shares now outstanding, increasing by 50 percent the number of issued and outstanding shares. In lieu of fractional shares, the company will make a cash payment based on today's mean trading price of its stock on the New York Stock Exchange, as adjusted to reflect the split.

Alan Rosskamm, Fabri-Centers' president, said the decision to split the stock was based on the investing public's growing interest in the company and the recognition that an increase in the number of shares outstanding would be more appropriate for a company of Fabri-Centers' size. As of Nov. 30, 1990, the fabric retailer had approximately 5 million shares outstanding.

Fabri-Centers is one of the country's largest publicly owned specialty fabric chains. The company operates 617 fabric stores in 35 states and the District of Columbia and 22 Cargo Express housewares stores located in Ohio and Michigan.

CONTACT: Robert Norton or Alan Rosskamm, 216-656-2600, both of Fabri-Centers of America, Inc.

-30- 1565

#90351p4001 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (DEC. 17 PR NEWSWIRE - Ron Oberlander, president and chief operating officer of Abitibi-Price (NYSE: ABY) today announced the appointments of T.M. Devine, C.D. Martin, G.R. Arellano, M.C. Beaudoin and D.L. Loretto as senior vice-presidents of the company; and the appointments of W.H. Sheffield and J.V. Olsen as vice-presidents. These positions all report to Oberlander.

As senior vice-presidents and general managers, North American Publishers Business, Devine and Martin co-lead a team which integrates the company's woodlands operations and paper mills in Manitoba, Ontario and the United States with related newsprint sales for North American newspaper publishers.

As senior vice-presidents and general managers, Commercial Markets Business, Arellano and Beaudoin co-lead a team which serves customers in North America with a wide range of groundwood paper grades. Their unit includes all of the company's Quebec operations, and related woodlands and sales offices.

Loretto, senior vice-president and general manager, International Business, leads a team which is responsible for the company's woods and manufacturing operations in Newfoundland and their related sales offices, plus North British Newsprint, the company's joint-venture recycled newsprint project in Scotland which is in the early development stages.

"These moves reflect our shift to a decentralized, more flexible management style, where operational decisions are made locally, rather than at head office," said Oberlander. "Our business teams were created several months ago to push authority and responsibility down through the entire organization, and to promote cross-functional operations. This gives all those involved a sharper focus on results. The heads of these three teams have bottom-line accountability for the performance of their integrated woods, manufacturing and sales operations."

Sheffield becomes vice-president, Logistics, with responsibility for transportation and distribution, purchasing, newsprint order service, lumber and pulp sales, and sourcing of recycled paper for company deinking facilities.

Abitibi-Price, an integrated forest products company with headquarters in

Toronto, is a producer of newsprint, uncoated groundwood papers, coated papers and building products and is a converter and distributor of papers and other information-related products.

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-30- 2650

#90351p4003 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The following was released today by Boeing Aerospace & Electronics:

Put yourself in the shoes of a military mission planner in a troubled spot overseas:

-- You received high-altitude photographic data just hours ago revealing large tank formations moving rapidly toward a strategic location.

-- The area is remote and air defenses have had precious little opportunity to familiarize themselves with the foreign landscape.

-- Do you risk sending valuable personnel and equipment into the airspace? And can you give those airborne defenders the added information they need to more accurately complete their mission and return home?

A Boeing innovation and its recent upgrade will assist military planners in quickly getting that information to the command centers. Boeing Defense & Space Group has delivered to the U.S. Army a modification to a real-time computer-image generator (CIG) that will significantly accelerate the process of identifying potential targets and then simulating them in a realistic, three-dimensional video format.

The Display group at the Aerospace & Electronics Division has connected the CIG system with two-dimensional electronic maps on a Sun workstation to produce precise, top-quality computerized imagery with the efficiency and ease provided by a personal computer, according to Main Tonkin, the project's manager.

A real-time CIG system delivered by Boeing two years ago to the Army displays 3-D digital map data on a computer image generation screen.

But while this system has been a significant asset to mission planners, setting up and determining attack flight paths with keyboard inputs of required data for practice exercises often took hours.

A recent upgrade to that system now enables mission planners to select commands and objects, and control map and target placement, orientation and movement, as well as control viewer position and placement. Most

significantly, those procedures now take less than 5 minutes -- rather than the usual hour -- to accomplish.

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-30- 2328

#90351p4004 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Responding to the need for practical experience in business education, Madison National Bank of Virginia, a banking subsidiary of Washington-based bank holding company James Madison Limited, and the Virginia public schools have announced a new program for high school business students who wish to learn more about the banking industry by serving as an advisory director to an actual bank.

To inaugurate the program for the fall semester, Madison National Bank of Virginia has appointed Sandy Dubay of Langley High School and Brian Borden of McLean High School to be the first "student advisory directors" to the bank. In the future, the bank expects to appoint additional students from the other high schools in its market area.

"I'm very excited about being appointed a student advisory director," commented Dubay. "This is a terrific opportunity for me to learn about the business world in general and banking in particular." An enthusiastic Borden agreed, "Having the opportunity to meet and work with people actually in the banking field allows me to look at banking from many different perspectives."

Madison National Bank of Virginia is the first area bank to offer such an opportunity to high school students. During their semester in the program, Dubay and Borden will spend approximately 25 hours participating in advisory board meetings, observing bank operations and working as interns in a variety of bank departments. Although the position will not entitle them to vote as directors, the students will be permitted to attend advisory board meetings; and their input will be encouraged.

"We expect to benefit from this program as much as the students do," commented Frank L. Cerutti, president of Madison National Bank of Virginia and a member of the Area III Business Education Advisory Committee for Fairfax County Public Schools serving as an adivsor for Langley High School. "We are particularly interested in the students' insights into how well certain products and services will meet community credit needs in their respective neighborhoods. We are also interested in inculcating in students the savings ethic as well as a better understanding of banking issues."

In a related area, Langley High School has recently made a request to the Fairfax County Public School Board for permission to offer a new course titled "Money and Banking" in its Business Education curriculum for the 1991-92 school session. The course would be designed to provide students with an

overview of the American monetary and banking system, including study into the role of money in the economic system; the functions of the Federal Reserve; the various types of financial institutions and the organization and historical development of the banking system; various banking products such as checking and savings accounts, loans, and investments along with exploring careers in banking.

In addition to Madison National Bank of Virginia, the James Madison Limited financial family includes: Madison National Bank; Madison Bank of Maryland; United National Bank of Washington; and James Madison Mortgage Company. James Madison Limited's Class A Common Stock is listed on the American Stock Exchange (JML) and its Common Stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System (JMLC).

CONTACT: Lynn E. Bandfield, AVP and director, James Madison Limited Corporate Communications Department, 202-452-5542.

-30- 3710

#90351p4008 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOMERVILLE, NJ (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Hoechst-Roussel Pharmaceuticals Inc. and The Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) have signed an agreement to jointly market Hoechst-Roussel's angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitor for the treatment of hypertension (high blood pressure) in the United States.

The announcement was made jointly today by Hoechst-Roussel, based in Somerville, and Upjohn, based in Kalamazoo, Mich.

Both companies will market the drug under the name Altace(TM) capsules (ramipril). Hoechst-Roussel filed a New Drug Application with the FDA in late-1988 for approval to market Altace capsules.

"In an industry where research and development costs are so high, it makes good sense to enlist the expertise of our colleagues in the marketing of new products," said Victor J. Bauer, Ph.D., president, Hoechst-Roussel. "By combining resources, we can make Altace capsules available more quickly and easily to patients."

"Upjohn is pleased to have the opportunity to market this important cardiovascular medication," said Theodore Cooper, M.D., Ph.D., Upjohn chairman president and chief executive officer. "Hypertension remains a serious national problem, and Upjohn is delighted to be able to offer this medication."

ACE inhibitors are a first-line therapy for hypertension. Known as the silent killer, hypertension usually has no specific symptoms and no early warning signs.

More than 60 million Americans have high blood pressure, and of these, nearly

half are undiagnosed, according to the American Heart Association (AHA). Almost 70 percent of all hypertensives are not on therapy (special diet or drugs), another 20 percent are on inadequate therapy, and only 10 percent are being treated effectively, according to AHA figures.

The cause of high blood pressure is known in only 10 percent of diagnosed cases, the AHA said. However, hypertension is easily detected and usually controllable through diet, lifestyle changes and drug therapy.

In addition to being under FDA review for treating hypertension, Altace is being studied in clinical trials for effectiveness in treating congestive heart failure.

Hoechst-Roussel Pharmaceuticals Inc. is part of the Life Sciences Group of Hoechst-Celanese Corporation. Hoechst Celanese is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hoechst AG of Germany, with leading positions in chemicals, fibers, advance materials and technologies and life sciences. Its 1989 sales were $6 billion, placing Hoechst-Celanese 77th on the Fortune 100 list.

The Upjohn Company is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care products, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

CONTACT: Jan R. AufderHeide of Upjohn, 616-323-6546, or Andrea Heller of Burson-Marsteller, 212-614-5158, for Hoechst-Roussel.

-30- 3158

#90351p4013 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - EAC Industries Inc. (AMEX: EAC) today reported a profit from continuing operations of $717,000 or $.36 per share on sales of $12,014,000 for the third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 compared to a loss of $673,000 or $.34 per share on sales of $14,224,000 for the prior year. For the current quarter there was no loss or gain from discontinued operations as compared to a loss of $341,000 or $.17 per share for the prior year. The total profit for the quarter was $717,000 or $.36 per share for 1990 as compared to a loss of $1,014,000 or $.51 per share for the prior year's quarter.

For the nine month period ended Oct. 31, 1990 the company lost $4,170,000 or $2.13 per share on continuing operations as compared to a loss of $1,031,000 or $.53 per share for the same period last year. There was no gain or loss from discontinued operations for the current nine month period as compared to a loss of $772,000 or $.39 per share for the prior year's nine month period. The total loss for the nine month period was $4,170,000 or $2.13 per share as compared to a total loss of $1,803,000 or $.92 per share for the same period last year.

The profit improvement for the quarter reflects improved manufacturing margins which mostly offset the reduction in sales, and a reduction in selling, general and administrative expenses. Also, interest and other expenses were down as the result of the disposition of the St. Paul plant in the first quarter as well as reduced borrowings for working capital purposes as a result of reduced sales and improved inventory levels.

The substantial operating loss for the nine month period primarily occurred in the first quarter ($3,127,000) and to a lesser extent in the second quarter ($790,000) and was the result of Ideal's inability to obtain raw materials (due to late payment of trade creditors in April and May) resulting in production cutbacks and resultant lower sales. Also, a loss on the St. Paul building and provisions for costs relating to changing management and inventory valuation provisions contributed to the loss.

EAC is a holding company serving the hardware and point-of-purchase advertising markets through its subsidiary companies, Ideal Security Hardware and Goodren Products Corporation.

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-30- 2520

#90351p4016 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

OLYMPIA, WASH. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) Secretary Dick Thompson named Mel Tonasket to the newly-created position of director of Indian Affairs today.

Tonasket, 51, will be responsible for maintaining and strengthening relationships between the department and all established Indian tribes in Washington.

"I know Mel is an effective advocate with high integrity and a proven ability to get things done," Thompson said. "His appointment is a clear indication of our commitment to improve the lives of our Native American citizens by making sure they have full access to all departmental services."

Tonasket served as chairman of the Colville Confederated Tribes Business Council for 10 years ending in 1989 when he became an assistant to the Area Director for the Indian Health Service in Portland.

He also served on the Governor's Indian Advisory Council and is a former secretary of the DSHS Indian Advisory Committee.

In his new role he will be responsible for a two-person headquarters staff as well as a representative in each of the department's six regional offices.

Tonasket will receive an annual salary of $54,472.

CONTACT: Gregg Dohrn, 206-753-5230, or Gordon Schultz, 206-586-5434, both of DSHS

-30- 1470

#90351p4018 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The members of the Philadelphia Joint Board of the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union, AFL-CIO, by acclamation, have re-elected Jon Fox to serve another three-year term as the union's manager.

This is the second time that Fox has run unopposed for the top leadership spot of the union representing 8,500 active members in the clothing manufacturing industry in Philadelphia and eastern Pennsylvania up to Allentown.

In addition to running the union and acting as its chief negotiator, Fox also oversees, as a trustee of a board made up of representatives of labor and management, the Sidney Hillman Medical Center in Philadelphia. He also serves on the board of the Reuben Block Medical Center in Allentown.

In a statement accepting his election on Dec. 10, Fox detailed the primary challenges facing the union in the coming decade.

"Our primary objective will be to work towards reviving the health of the industry as a whole," he said. "We will also be looking to shore up the benefit structure for our members and we will be continuing our campaign against non-union, foreign imports."

The Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union that Fox heads has suffered greatly in the current recession as well as in the general economic decline in recent years. Fox said that his re-election symbolized the resilience of the people working in the apparel industry.

"Our members are hard-working and dedicated and they deserve strong representation. I am honored to be able to serve them to the best of my ability."

CONTACT: Bernard Katz for the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union, 215-546-4183

-30- 1851

#90351p4020 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CRANFORD, NJ (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - United Auto Workers Region 9 today announced a victory in a landmark decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. In a decision given by the Washington court

Harvard Industries was ordered to reinstate the members of UAW Local 726 to their jobs with full back pay plus interest and bargain a new collective bargaining agreement with the union. Harvard fired 252 members of UAW Local 726 on April 15, 1985, when it purchased the plant from Amerace Corporation.

The case has gone before an administrative law judge, the full National Labor Relations Board and finally to the Court of Appeals in Washington, as a violation of the National Labor Relations Act. All the above upheld the union's claim of unfair labor practices.

"This has the potential of being the largest back pay settlement in the history of the NLRB," said Pete Mershon, UAW Local 726 president. "We are not surprised; we knew we were right."

UAW Region 9 Director Tom Fricano called the decision "a clear case of justice." "It is comforting to know that the system works," Fricano said. "It is sad, however, that corporate management can delay justice for so long."

The company is liable for a back pay settlement which may reach as high as $30 million. If the figure reaches that amount, it will be the largest settlement ever for a wrongful discharge case.

CONTACT: William Kane of United Auto Workers, 201-272-4200.

-30- 1643

#90351p4021 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND PARK, MICH (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Chrysler Corporation (NYSE: C) today announced it is extending through Jan. 9 customer cash incentives on 1989, '90 and '91 model cars and trucks which have been covered in a program scheduled to expire Dec. 16.

Chrysler said it is increasing to $1,000 the incentive on all 1991 Jeep Cherokee models. They previously carried incentives of $700 or $500, depending on the model.

Incentive amounts, or alternative low financing rates, on all other vehicles covered in the program remain unchanged. These rebates cover a wide variety of vehicles and are available in amounts of $300, $400, $500, $700, $750, $1,000, $1,300, $1,500, $2,000, $2,500 and $3,000, depending on make and model. Low annual percentage financing rates are 7.9 percent for 1-48 months or 10.9 percent for 49-60 months.

The program includes $1,000 rebates on 1989-90 minivans. Rebates on 1991 model minivans are covered in a separate new program.

CONTACT: Tom Jakobowski of Chrysler, 313-956-1881, or 313-956-2894

-30- 1203
#90351p4023 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROCKVILLE, MD (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The chairman of CRI Insured Mortgage Association, Inc. (CRIIMI MAE) (NYSE: CMM), and AIM Liquidating REIT, Inc. (NYSE: CFR) said today that the bid by the Broad, Inc. (NYSE: BRO) group to take over management of four American Insured Mortgage (AIM) partnerships is "tainted with conflicts of interest and fails to provide meaningful benefits to investors."

"The investors receive no economic benefit from this bid," said William B. Dockser, the chairman of CRIIMI MAE and AIM Liquidating REIT. "The multi-million dollar buyout payment for the general partner's interests goes into the hands of bankrupt Integrated Resources, not the AIM investors."

Dockser also called the proposed Broad fees "simply too high." He said the AIM investors could expect lower fees under the revised exchange offer to be made by CRIIMI MAE and AIM Liquidating REIT to AIM investors -- though tenders are not being solicited under the offer at this time, and will not be accepted until the new prospectus is cleared by the Securities and Exchange Commission and available to investors.

Dockser also said the Broad bid puts "several parties close to the AIM funds into a compromising conflict of interest."

Earlier this year, Broad acquired from Integrated Resources (NYSE: IRE) both the broker dealer firm that sold all of the original AIM units to investors, Royal Alliance, Inc., and a firm that acts as the trustee, Resources Trust Company, holding units for approximately one-third of the AIM investors.

The Royal Alliance brokerage firm continues to represent a significant portion of investors in the AIM partnerships.

Despite the apparent conflict between Broad and Royal Alliance, Dockser said he is "confident individual brokers will overcome any conflict of interest and provide their investors with the best advice."

CONTACT: James T. Pastore of CRIIMI MAE, 301-231-0323.

-30- 2120
#90351p4024 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire
BALTIMORE (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE) today announced that it has been authorized by the Maryland Public Service Commission (PSC) to file new base rates for electricity.

The new rates, effective today, will increase annual electric revenues by $77 million, or 4.7 percent.

For the typical residential customer using 600 kilowatt hours per month, the average bill will rise about $2.96 per month. More than half of BG&E's residential customers use 600 kilowatt hours or less per month.

The rate adjustment compares to a $198 million request filed by BG&E last May. Part of that request was to cover future higher operating and maintenance expenses, including expenditures at the Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, where BG&E is continuing its program to meet rising expectations for safety and performance in the nuclear industry. Additionally, new capital investments such as expansion of BG&E's electric distribution and transmission system, were reflected in the request.

Another facet of BG&E's request was a $45 million component to be used as the first phase of a three-part adjustment for Brandon Shores Unit 2, BG&E's new 640 megawatt coal burning unit which will be placed in service next May. Although the PSC agreed that Brandon Shores Unit 2 was a prudent and timely investment, it rejected the phase-in approach, and instead elected to adjust electric rates effective next June.

While acknowledging that rate increases will never please consumers, BG&E officials pointed out that they are necessary to insure electric service reliability. However, BG&E rates have increased at a much lower rate than inflation. "BG&E rates, even with this latest increase, are still among the lowest on the East Coast," said Art Slusark, BG&E's director of public information.

Between 1984 and 1990, BG&E residential rates have risen an average of about 1.2 percent annually, compared to an average increase in the Consumer Price Index of almost 4 percent annually. In fact, BG&E's residential prices, when adjusted for inflation, have actually declined approximately 14.5 percent during that period.

CONTACT: Arthur J. Slusark of Baltimore Gas and Electric, 301-234-7433.

-30- 2434

#90351p4027 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Each year, as many as half of the 17,000 pages in 15 volumes of specifications for Intel Corp. products are revised. Now, a new CD-ROM publishing technology developed by R.R. Donnelley and Sons Co. is making updates as convenient and reliable as changing a compact disk.

Intel Corp. calls its new CD-ROM publishing product "Data on Demand." This capability will enable Intel's 90 sales offices worldwide to provide design engineers with up-to-date data specifications, application notes, and reliability and engineering reports on 750 microprocessors, semiconductors and other products.

Thorn said CD-ROM demand publishing has significant potential not only for companies in such fast-evolving industries as electronic components, but also among companies that publish extensive catalogs of frequently changing inventory or pricing such as medical instrumentation, tools and parts, and office supplies.

Consumers are familiar with CD-ROM technology as the silver colored compact disks now popular for enhanced stereo sound reproduction. Information on a CD-ROM disk is retrieved by an optical beam head moving across its rotating surface. Data placed on a CD-ROM disk can be read but not altered, making it more reliable than floppy or hard disk memory.

Each month, Donnelley will produce and distribute to Intel sales offices an updated CD-ROM disk containing all the product information currently found in the company's catalogs, which Donnelley prints, along with notes on any revisions made to each product entry.

As customers request data, updated and revised pages, complete with text, charts, graphs, schematics and photographs formatted to read and look exactly like those in Intel's printed handbooks, will be identified through a computer search and printed as required.

Data on Demand dramatically reduces the turnaround time for customer requests by eliminating many of the inventory and delivery tasks associated with paper document management. Moreover, the CD-ROM system allows users to survey the entire catalog on-line in a problem-solving context to identify peripherals, memory and other products appropriate to the design challenge.

R.R. Donnelley and Sons Co. is the world's foremost printer of catalogs, newspaper advertising inserts, magazines, books, directories, computer documentation and financial printing.

CONTACT: Lori Barbar of R.R. Donnelley and Sons Co., 312-326-7093

-30- 2652

#90351p4029 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORRANCE, CALIF. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) today announced that it is continuing its previously announced stock repurchase program.

Ashton-Tate's stock closed at $6.25 Friday, Dec. 14, following a ruling by U.S. District Court Judge Terry J. Hatter that the company's copyrights on certain of its dBASE products were invalid. The company said it will immediately file a motion for reconsideration by Judge Hatter of his ruling, or alternatively, appeal his ruling to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

The company's board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 3 million shares of the company's $.01 par value common stock, of which 1.7 million shares already have been repurchased.

Headquartered in Torrance, Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software. Major product categories include database management systems, word processing, integrated decision support, spreadsheets, graphics and software utilities. Ashton-Tate is a worldwide organization with products available in 20 languages and in more than 50 countries.

The company also offers a comprehensive line of training and support services for individuals, corporations and government agencies.

CONTACT: Jill Kramer, 213-538-7345, or Linda Duttenhaver, 213-538-7011, both of Ashton-Tate Corp.

-30- 1541

#90351p4033 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST HARTFORD, CT (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Albert E. Miller, chairman of Royalpar Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: ROYL), today announced results of operations for Royalpar's third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. Miller stated that although the figures were generally down, the company's core business, exclusive of Chase Adams, had operating income for the nine month period of $311,218. He noted that charges of about $150,000 for bad debts, $213,000 for costs associated with the merger with Tech Teams which was terminated, and charges of more than $1 million for Chase Adams, resulted in a loss. Sales were down mainly because of a decrease in revenues at McDonnell Douglas.

On Dec. 28, 1990, Royalpar's shareholders will vote on its proposed merger with Raycomm Transworld Industries, Inc., which should result in large cost savings through the elimination of duplicated overhead and consolidation of regional offices.

ROYALPAR INDUSTRIES, INC.

Three Months Ended Oct. 31	1990	1989
Net revenues	$12,352,102	$17,833,402
Income (loss) from operations	(505,094)	605,142
Net income (loss)	(359,606)	314,956
Primary and fully diluted earnings (loss) per share	(.08)	.07
Average shares outstdg.	4,652,600	5,457,030

Nine Months Ended Oct. 31	1990	1989

Net revenues	$41,798,811	$49,709,750
Income (loss) from operations	(717,871)	1,217,163
Net income (loss)	(741,120)(A)	565,152
Primary and fully diluted earnings (loss) per share	(.16)	.12
Average shares outstdg.	4,670,651	5,282,270

(A) Includes charges of $150,000 for bad debts, $213,000 for terminated Tech Team merger and $1 million charged to Chase Adams. Core business earned $311,218 for the period.

CONTACT: Albert E. Miller of Royalpar Industries, 203-953-6315; or Sam Witchel of Scharff, Witchel & Co., 212-983-1060, for Royalpar Industries.

-30- 2275

#90351p4039 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNETONKA, MN (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Digital Biometrics, Inc. announced today the successful closing of its initial public stock offering.

The company sold 805,000 shares of stock at an offering price of $3 per share. The shares will be listed on the NASDAQ over-the-counter market under the symbol "DBII." The offering was jointly underwritten by R.J. Steichen & Company of Minneapolis, and J.W. Gant & Associates of Inglewood, Colo. Gross proceeds of the offering amount to $2,415,000.

Jack A. Klingert, president and CEO of Digital Biometrics, expressed great satisfaction with the results of the offering. "Considering the uncertain state of the market and of world affairs we are gratified that investors have shown such confidence in our company and its future," he said.

Digital Biometrics, Inc. manufactures and markets inkless fingerprint recording and identification products based on electro-optical imaging technologies. The company recently concluded a contract with a major metropolitan police department for a number of its Tenprinter "Direct Readers." Initial deliveries have already taken place and the remainder of the approximately $700,000 contract is scheduled for delivery in January 1991. A number of police departments throughout the country are using the company's products.

CONTACT: Jack A. Klingert of Digital Biometrics, 612-932-0888.

-30- 1571

#90351p4040 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SARASOTA, FL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Tech:Time (Pink Sheets) has entered into discussions with Tridata Systems Inc., Atlanta, that could lead to a business

combination between Tridata and Tech:Time.

Tridata is a privately owned corporation engaged in the production and sale of computerized time and attendance systems to the hospitality industry and other software products. Tridata's 1989 annual revenues were approximately $3.7 million.

Tech:Time is also engaged in discussions with a private investor that could lead to his involvement with Tech:Time as an investor and a member of management. These discussions include the possible acquisition by Tech:Time of Uniquest Inc., a research and development company owned by such investor.

Tech:Time Inc. is a leading provider of computerized data collection systems used for time and attendance, security, access control, job costing, labor distribution, scheduling, communications and messaging. Tech:Time's stock is traded Over-the-Counter market as a non-listed company.

CONTACT: Gary Crawford, chief financial officer of Tech:Time, 813-954-8463

-30- 1284

#90351p4041 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTON, MASS. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - University Bank, National Association (AMEX: UBN) announced today a reorganization of its retail mortgage origination subsidiary, NorthEastern Mortgage Company, Inc. Effective immediately, NorthEastern will become a correspondent lender and will sell its loans through another mortgage banking company.

NorthEastern originates loans through several retail loan origination centers in various locations in Massachusetts and will continue to do so under the revised operations. For the past three months, NorthEastern and its affiliates were the second largest residential mortgage loan originator in Massachusetts.

University Bank also announced it had signed a definitive agreement to sell its Trust division by Dec. 31, 1990, which will result in a one-time gain of $1.5 million.

CONTACT: Richard J. Krock, chairman and chief executive officer, or Brian T. Manning, senior vice president and chief financial officer, University Bank, 617-547-5500

-30- 1177

#90351p4044 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST BEND, WI (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of The Ziegler Company, Inc., (NASDAQ: ZEGL) a financial services holding company, have declared a regular quarterly dividend of 13 cents per share on its common stock. In addition, a

special dividend of 25 cents per share was declared.

The dividends will be payable on Jan. 18, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 4, 1991. The total amount of dividends declared in 1990 was 77 cents; in 1989, 77 cents per share was the amount declared.

CONTACT: Lynn Van Horn, senior vice president - finance of The Ziegler Company, Inc., 414-334-5521

-30- 751

#90351p4048 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROWAYTON, CT (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Baldwin Technology Company, Inc. (AMEX: BLD) announced today that the board of directors of the company has declared a regular quarterly dividend to stockholders of record as the close of business on Dec. 31, 1990, payable on Jan. 14, 1991.

Class A common stockholders will receive $.03 per share and Class B common stockholders will receive $.0285 per share. At the close of business on Dec. 12, 1990, there were 14,291,241 shares of Class A common stock and 1,994,000 shares of Class B common stock outstanding.

Baldwin Technology Company, Inc. is a leading multinational manufacturer of material handling, accessory, control and prepress equipment for the printing industry.

CONTACT: Helen P. Oster of Baldwin Technology, 203-838-7470

-30- 967

#90351p4056 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Phoenix Network Inc. (NASDAQ: PHXN) today announced record revenues for its second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. Revenues increased 110 percent to $3,360,757 from $1,600,005 in the year earlier period. The net loss for the quarter was $16,287 compared to a loss of $70,410 for the prior year's second quarter.

Commenting on the results, Marc Goyette, president and chief operating officer noted that the company is seeing a clear reversal of the widening losses last year. Operating results have improved from a loss of $475,886 in the quarter ended April 30, 1990, to a loss of $324,186 in the quarter ended July 31, 1990 to a loss of $16,287 in this quarter. "The impressive revenue growth experienced in the last six months would have been much greater if not for the significant delays in order processing by the company's vendors this year. These delays resulted in higher levels of distributor turnover and order cancellations. Performance by the company's vendors has improved in the last 90 days."

The company signed a new agreement with US Sprint which will further reduce its costs, expand its offered services to include 800 numbers and additional dedicated services, and reduce processing time for new customer activations.

The company is continuing to improve its service to its customers and is nearing completion of an enhanced invoicing system which will offer one of the most sophisticated invoicing packages available to long distance telecommunications customers. A number of new marketing programs are being launched in December and January and the company expects the next 12 months to show continued increases in revenue and improved operating results.

PHOENIX NETWORK INC.
Selected Financial Data
(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three months ended Oct. 31		Six months ended Oct. 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$3,360	$1,600	$5,319	$3,287
Net Income (loss)	$(16)	$(70)	$(340)	$(14)
Net Income (loss) per share	$(0.01)	$(0.01)	$(0.05)	$(0.00)
Shares Outstanding	7,241	7,241	7,241	7,241

CONTACT: Marc L. Goyette of Phoenix Network Inc., 415-981-3000

-30- 2596

#90351p4060 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT SMITH, Ark. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Sphinx Mining, Inc. (NASDAQ: SPNX) announced that the shareholders of the company approved by unanimous consent a 5-to-1 stock split, increasing the authorized common shares from 2 million to 10 million and increasing the issued and outstanding shares from 1,153,541.9 to 5,767,709.5.

The shareholders also approved by unanimous consent the naming of Jack D. Alexander as chief executive officer.

CONTACT: Jack D. Alexander, chairman and CEO of Sphinx Mining, 501-783-1145

-30- 668

#90351p4064 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - DWG Corporation (AMEX: DWG) announced today results of operations for the quarter and six months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Revenues in the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990 were $300 million compared to $296 million in the same period of the prior year and the company had net earnings of $503,000 or $.02 per share (primary and fully diluted) compared to

a net loss of $761,000 or $.03 per share (primary and fully diluted) in the same quarter of the prior fiscal year. Net earnings in the current year's period includes an extraordinary credit of $834,000, consisting of tax benefit from utilization of operating losses carried forward.

Revenues in the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990 were $598 million compared to $598 million in the same period of the prior year, and the company reported a net loss of $1.8 million or $.07 per share (primary and fully diluted) compared to a net loss of $4.1 million or $.16 per share (primary and fully diluted) in the same period of the prior year. The net loss in the current year's period includes the extraordinary credit of $834,000 referred to above.

CONTACT: Charles Nolan, vice president of DWG Corporation, 305-866-7771

-30- 1362

#90351p4066 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Ed McCabe announced that he would leave Beber Silverstein McCabe & Partners, Miami, and open McCabe & Company Inc. in New York.

"The last eight months have shown me two things," McCabe said. "That I really love being back in advertising. And that I want to build a company of my own."

He added that his affiliation with BSM&P had proved to be "an energizing experience. We were doing some wonderful work and growing. I have great fondness and respect for Joyce and Elaine and many other people at BSM&P. I'm sure they will continue to do well."

"We've all benefited greatly from Ed McCabe," said Elaine Silverstein. "Ed's a tough task master and has sharpened our creative skills. We wish him well."

McCabe said that he was referring to his new venture as a "communications company" because "advertising agency" was too narrow a definition to cover the scope of services needed by major clients today.

"Agencies have been buying their ways into other communications areas," McCabe said, "but that's not the way to do it. To work effectively, they must be joined at birth and adhere to a common set of principles."

Asked whether the timing of his new venture, in a recession, might be difficult, McCabe replied, "On the contrary. It is the time of greatest need."

McCabe stated that he could not say more about his associates or client prospects at the present time but would divulge more in "the next few weeks."

Silverstein said the agency plans to begin talks with several distinguished creative directors.

CONTACT: Ed McCabe or Elaine Silverstein of Beber Silverstein McCabe & Partners, 305-856-9800

-30- 1855

#90351p4068 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Southwest Airlines announced today that it would be offering double Company Club credits on all routes for trips taken between December 18, 1990, and March 25, 1991.

"This program is an addition to our recently announced FUN FARE sale, which offers fares as low as $20," said Don Valentine, vice president-sales and marketing for the carrier. "We are preparing for the first three months of 1991, which are generally the least traveled months for any airline. By offering our frequent fliers double credits for each trip, we hope to fill seats that would otherwise go empty."

Current Company Club members will automatically be given double credit when they check in with their Company Club Card, and customers who are interested in becoming Company Club members will be given double credits on their application at check-in.

Southwest is already giving double credits for travel to and from Reno and Burbank, and for travel "Smart Pack" (books of tickets) tickets. The new program applies to all other Southwest Airlines routes.

CONTACT: Ginger Shearburn of Southwest Airlines, 214-904-4524

-30- 1302

#90351p4075 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Operating results for the fiscal first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, were reported today by New Plan Realty Trust (NYSE: NPR), the country's largest publicly owned equity trust.

New Plan said revenues totaled $13,936,000 versus $13,557,000 for the comparable quarter last year.

Net income for the recent three months amounted to $8,630,000 equal to $.25 per share compared with $8,730,000 also equal to $.25 per share in the prior-year period. First quarter figures for the prior year include a one-time recovery amounting to $360,000 or $.01 per share.

Stating that the first quarter was relatively flat, reflecting increasing softness in the retail field, New Plan Chairman William Newman said, however, that the long range outlook for the trust "is excellent."

Elaborating, he stated, "We're in the midst of the best buyer's market for quality real estate I've seen in nearly two decades, and on top of that we're fortunate enough to have over $137 million in cash to acquire the 'pick' of these properties." The trust's aim, he pointed out, is to build an extensive portfolio of shopping center properties that will enhance NPR's revenues and long-term profitability.

New Plan's real estate holdings include 61 shopping centers plus other properties in 14 states east of the Mississippi.

CONTACT: Ron Frankel of New Plan Realty Trust, 212-869-3000

-30- 1587

#90351p4082 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Burlington Northern Railroad Company (the company) (NYSE: BNI) announced today that it has extended until 12 midnight, New York City time, Friday, Dec. 28, 1990, unless further extended by the company, its previously announced exchange offer (the exchange offer) to holders of its Northern Pacific Railway Company prior lien railway and land grant 4 percent bonds, due 1997 (NP prior lien bonds). Previously tendered NP prior lien bonds may be withdrawn anytime during this extension period.

The exchange offer for the NP prior lien bonds was originally scheduled to expire at 12 midnight, New York City time, on Friday, Dec. 7, 1990, and was extended to 12 midnight, New York City time, on Monday, Dec. 17, 1990. The extension to Dec. 28, 1990, will provide additional time for holders of NP prior lien bonds to consider the exchange offer and complete delivery of the NP prior lien bonds.

Based upon information provided to the company by Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York (the exchange agent), as of 3:30 p.m., New York City time, on Dec. 17, 1990, the aggregate principal amount of NP prior lien bonds tendered is $2,571,000.

The exchange offers to holders of the Great Northern Railway Company general mortgage bonds 3-1/8 percent, Series O, due 2000 and 2-5/8 percent, Series Q, due 2010, and to the holders of the Northern Pacific Railway Company general lien railway and land grant 3 percent bonds, due 2047 have not been extended and will expire at 12 midnight, New York City time, on Monday, Dec. 17, 1990. As previously announced, the exchange offers to holders of St. Louis-San Francisco Railway Company income debentures, 5 percent, Series A, due 2006 and First Mortgage Bonds, 4 percent, Series A, due 1997 will expire at 12 midnight New York City time, on Thursday, Dec. 20, 1990, unless further extended by the company.

The exchange offers are made only by prospectus. Any questions or requests

for assistance or copies of the prospectus may be directed to the information agent, Kissel-Blake, Inc., at 800-554-7733.

CONTACT: Jeff Michell of Burlington Northern Railroad Company, 817-878-1649

-30- 2376

#90351p4084 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - JTN Acquisition Corp. announced today that the expiration date, withdrawal rights and proration period of its tender offer to purchase up to 6,177,825 shares of Justin Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: JSTN) common stock for $18 net per share in cash has been extended from midnight, New York City time, Thursday, Dec. 20, 1990, to midnight, New York City time, Thursday, Jan. 17, 1991.

The depositary for the offer has advised that through Dec. 14, 1990, approximately 1,898,252 shares of Justin common stock had been tendered into the JTN offer which, together with the 1,022,175 shares of Justin common stock owned by affiliates of JTN, represent approximately 34 percent of Justin's outstanding common stock on a primary basis.

JTN is a newly formed entity organized and led by Perry H. Sutherland of Sutherland Lumber in Kansas City and New York investor Barry S. Rosenstein, on behalf of a group which has been involved in a continuing effort to acquire Justin.

CONTACT: Perry H. Sutherland, 816-756-3000, or Barry S. Rosenstein, 212-708-3777, both of JTN Acquisition, or Brain Maddox of Georgeson & Company, 212-440-9862, for JTN Acquisition

-30- 1373

#90351p4087 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARKHAM, ONT. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Magna International Inc. (TSE: MG.A, MG.B, NASDAQ: MAGAF) has announced that the meeting of its 10-3/8 per cent debentureholders held today has been adjourned until Dec. 31, 1990. The adjournment will allow Magna and the debentureholders to discuss further Magna's proposal to extend the maturity date of the debentures and other matters relating to the company's debt restructuring plan.

CONTACT: Stephen Akerfeldt, vice-chairman and chief financial officer of Magna, 416-477-7766

-30- 703

#90351p4091 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHFIELD, ILL. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Stepan Company (AMEX: SCL), at their recent meeting, authorized the purchase of up to

200,000 shares of the company's outstanding common stock from time to time. The stock will be used for routine corporate purposes.

Stepan Company, headquartered in Northfield, Ill., is a leading producer of basic and intermediate chemicals used in household, industrial, personal care, agricultural and energy-related products. The stock is traded on the American and Midwest Stock Exchanges under the symbol SCL.

CONTACT: William W. Meier of Stepan, 708-446-7500

-30- 804

#90351p4093 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

PEORIA, ILL (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Caterpillar Inc. (NYSE: CAT) today announced that its subsidiary, Caterpillar Paving Products Inc., has signed an agreement to purchase all assets relating to the asphalt paving business of Barber-Greene Company, a subsidiary of Astec Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: ASTE) of Chattanooga, Tenn.

The purchase, which is subject to customary conditions and governmental approval, includes Barber-Greene's manufacturing facility at DeKalb, Ill. This plant employs 292 and manufactures nine models of asphalt pavers and other related equipment.

The acquisition will significantly expand the current line of paving and road construction and repair equipment produced by Caterpillar.

"This acquisition significantly strengthens Caterpillar's ability to serve paving contractors by adding a well respected and broad line of asphalt pavers. It also firmly establishes Caterpillar as a full-line manufacturer of paving equipment," said Charles Mencel, president of Caterpillar Paving Products Inc.

Caterpillar Inc. is the world's largest manufacturer of earthmoving, construction, and materials handling equipment and a leading manufacturer of diesel, natural gas, and turbine engines.

Astec Industries, Inc. is a manufacturer of asphalt mixing plants, paving equipment, heat transfer equipment, aggregate crushing equipment, and excavating and trenching equipment.

CONTACT: Richard E. Stober of Caterpillar Inc., 309/675-5548

-30- 1661

#90351p4094 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDMONTON, ALBERTA (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Echo Bay Mines Ltd. (AMEX: ECO) announced today that it has exchanged its working interest in an 11-year gold

mining lease at the Robinson mine in Nevada for a royalty on future gold production at the property plus US$2.0 million in cash from Alta Gold Co. (NASDAQ: ALTA) and Magma Copper Co. (AMEX: MCU)

Alta Gold has been Echo Bay's joint venture partner in the production of gold at Robinson since mid-1988, under a lease from Kennecott Corp. Robinson is by far the largest property involved in the Alta Bay Joint Venture, in which Echo Bay has a 40 percent non-operating interest and Alta Gold holds the 60 percent controlling interest. Alta Gold and Magma Copper are currently in the process of purchasing the 12,000-acre Robinson gold and copper property from Kennecott, primarily for its copper production potential. Alta Gold and Magma Copper contemplate building a concentrating plant to process 30,000 to 35,000 tons of ore per day.

Under the terms of the royalty, Echo Bay will receive a net smelter return royalty of 6 percent of all the gold produced in future gold operations at Robinson and 2 percent of all the gold produced in future copper operations at Robinson. The 2 percent royalty is subject to a maximum of US$12.5 million.

Magma Copper also assumes the property reclamation and certain environmental liabilities of Echo Bay.

The Robinson mine has been operating at a net loss for nearly two years. For the first nine months of this year, cash production costs were US$330 per ounce of gold produced, and royalties paid to Kennecott were US$39 per ounce. Echo Bay's share of the gold produced at Robinson was 24,251 ounces, about 4 percent of Echo Bay's total gold production.

Echo Bay is one of the largest gold producers in North America. The company's shares are traded principally on the Toronto and American stock exchanges and on other major exchanges in North America and Europe.

CONTACT: Paddy Broughton, 303-592-5448; or Ted Sheldon, 303-592-5449, of Echo Bay Mines Ltd.

-30- 2276

#90351p4097 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Veronex Resources Ltd. (AMEX: VX; Vancouver Stock Exchange: VEO) reported on Dec. 14, 1990, that a decision had been rendered in the arbitration involving its disagreement with Triton Indonesia Inc.

Veronex had declared Triton, the operator of the Enim Oil Project, in default in December 1989. In January 1990, Veronex demanded an arbitration to resolve the disagreements regarding certain cash obligations, accounting procedures and other matters. Subsequently, Triton made certain counterclaims against Veronex.

The decision rendered by the American Arbitration Association Panel on Dec. 13 1990, is adverse to the company. The decision reduced Nordell's interest in the Enim Oil Project to a 5 percent net profits interest and awarded damages of approximately $1 million to Triton. The decision of the Arbitration Panel in its current form, could have a material adverse effect on the operations and financial condition of the company.

The decision appears to be inconsistent with the facts and evidence as presented in the testimony during the arbitration hearing. Further, the decision, in certain aspects, is unclear and it appears that the Arbitration Panel acted beyond the scope of its authority as well as outside the terms of the Farmout Agreement issues presented. Management is meeting with counsel to investigate various alternatives, including court action to have the decision of the Arbitration Panel overturned or modified.

CONTACT: Veronex Resources Ltd. public relations, 213-412-8678

-30- 1759

#90351p4098 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Vintage Petroleum Inc. (NYSE: VPI) announced today the recent acquisition from Shell Western E & P Inc. of an interest in certain oil and gas properties located in Clarke County, Miss. for consideration of approximately $2.4 million. The properties are located in the East Pachuta Creek Field and produce from the Smackover formation. This waterflood unit currently has 25 active producing wells, 6 water injection wells and produces 1150 Bbls oil per day. Current net daily production from the acquired properties averages approximately 200 Bbls of oil and 65 Mcf of gas. Vintage assumed operations of the properties which had previously been operated by Shell.

Vintage Petroleum Inc. is an independent energy company engaged in the acquisition, exploitation and development of oil and gas properties and the marketing of natural gas and crude oil. The company is headquartered in Tulsa, Okla., and its common shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol VPI.

CONTACT: William C. Barnes of Vintage Petroleum Inc., 918-592-0101

-30- 1284

#90351p4099 12/17/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA. (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Lowrance Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ: LEIX) today reported first quarter sales of $10,267,000 for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990, an increase of 34 percent from sales of $7,688,000 during the same period last year. Net loss for the quarter was $743,000, or minus 22 cents per share, compared to a net loss of $992,000, or 29 cents a share, last

year.

Company President Darrell Lowrance attributed the higher sales to a significant increase in sales of Eagle products, particularly the new widescreen FISH I.D.-II and ULTRA models, and a three percent increase in the average unit selling price. "Continuing momentum from last year's record sales, and the early availability of four new products, allowed us to achieve unusually high sales in the first quarter," said Lowrance.

First quarter sales of Lowrance products, which are primarily sold to boat and motor dealers and boat manufacturers, declined from last year's levels due to the continued downward trend in new boat sales and growing concern about the United States economy.

The outlook for 1991 sales remains clouded by unrest in the Persian Gulf, foreseeability of a United States recession, and a 40 percent decline in new boat sales in the United States during the past two years. Lowrance cautioned that "we foresee a reduction in consumer spending and the likelihood of significantly lower sales during the second quarter, compared to last year. Backlog in orders for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 are $16 million, compared to last year's record backlog at the same time, which was in excess of $28 million.

Lowrance Electronics Inc. manufactures sonar and navigational instruments and accessories for sport fishing and recreational boating markets under the brand names "Lowrance" and "Eagle." The company's common stock is listed on the National Market and trades in the Over- the-Counter Market under the NASDAQ symbol LEIX.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - Royal Air Maroc, flag carrier for the North African kingdom of Morocco, has taken delivery of a new Boeing 737-500 to become the first airline in Africa and the Middle East to operate the advanced-technology twinjet, Boeing said today.

Earlier this year, Royal Air Maroc became the first airline in the region to introduce the Boeing 737-400. It was also the first in North Africa to operate the 757D200 and the 727-200.

The airline has ordered 10 new-generation 737s and holds options on an additional 10. The 737-500 just delivered is leased from Ansett Worldwide and is not included in this order count. Of the 10 on firm order, Royal Air Maroc has selected three 737-400s and three 737D500s for its first six deliveries. Type selection of the remaining aircraft will be decided at a

later date.

As configured for Royal Air Maroc, the new 737D500 will seat 123 passengers in an all-economy arrangement. The advanced-technology twinjet is powered by CFM 56D3C-1 engines built by CFM International, a joint venture of General Electric of the U.S. and SNECMA of France. These quiet but powerful engines allow the 737D500 to be a good community neighbor at even the most noise-sensitive airports. The aircraft is certified for a maximum takeoff weight of 125,000 lbs. (56,700 kg).

Royal Air Maroc's 737-500 has a range of 2,054 statute miles (3,306 km) with a full passenger payload, permitting the airline to fly Casablanca-Copenhagen nonstop.

By selecting the family of new-generation 737s, Royal Air Maroc achieves significant cost savings because of the common pilot type rating for all 737 models and because of commonality in maintenance and spare parts for the 737-400 and D500. In addition, the airline benefits from the flexibility in being able to schedule any size 737 and still use the same flight crew. Further savings come from integrating the new-generation 737s into its existing fleet of 737-200s.

To date, 66 customers worldwide have ordered 1,734 of the new-generation Boeing 737s. Total orders for the entire 737 program amount to 2,878, making it the most popular commercial airplane in history.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 17) TASS - THE FIRST SPEAKERS AFTER PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV'S STATE OF THE UNION SPEECH TO THE FOURTH CONGRESS OF SOVIET PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES, CLEARLY HELD OUT NO PROMISE OF PEACE AND QUIET.

MORE THAN 430 DEPUTIES HAVE ASKED TO ADDRESS THE CONGRESS THE FIRST TO SPEAK SET THE TONE FOR SHARP CRITICISM THE LEADERS MUST RECEIVE IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

PRESIDENT NURSULTAN NAZARBAYEV SAID THAT, WHILE SHARING GORBACHEV'S STRATEGY ON THE WHOLE, HE THOUGH IT EXPEDIENT TO "CHANGE TACTICS WITHIN THE COUNTRY AND TAKE DECISIVE ACTION ALONG MAJOR LINES".

HE WAS SHARPLY CRITICAL OF THE ACTIVITY OF THE COUNTRY'S PRESENT GOVERNMENT HEADED BY NIKOLAI RYZHKOV, AND CALLED FOR THE RETURN TO THE SHATALIN-YAVLINSKY PLAN FOR ECONOMIC REFORM.

TWO OTHER OPPOSITION FACTIONS -- THE INTER-REGIONAL DEPUTY GROUP AND THE SOYUZ GROUP -- ALSO AIRED THEIR VIEWPOINTS.

MOSCOW MAYOR GAVRIIL POPOV, WHO ADDRESSED THE CONGRESS ON BEHALF OF THE INTER-REGIONAL DEPUTY GROUP, WAS NOTABLY MORE RESERVED THAN IN SOME OF HIS RECENT PRONOUNCEMENTS. HE CALLED FOR RALLYING THE EFFORTS OF ALL SOVIET REPUBLICS IN ORDER TO OVERCOME THE CRISIS. HE CRITICISED THE "CENTRALIST POWER MODEL" PROPOSED BY THE FEDRAL LEADERSHIP FOR OVERCOMING THE CRISIS, BUT FAVOURED A STRONG CENTRAL AUTHORITY. HE CALLED FOR MONETARY REFORM IN THE COUNTRY AS A HIGH PRIORITY MEASURE AND URGED THE FORMATION OF A COALITION GOVERNMENT.

YURI BLOKHIN, THE LEADER OF THE SOYUZ GROUP, WAS MUCH MORE AGGRESSIVE IN HIS CRITICISM. HE DECLARED THAT PERESTROIKA HAD TURNED INTO COUNTER-PERESTROIKA SOMEWHERE ALONG THE ROAD. INSTEAD OF BRINGING ABOUT THE RENEWAL OF THE FEDERAL STATE, IT HAS BROUGHT ABOUT ITS DISINTEGRATION, THE ECONOMY HAS NOT BEEN MODERNIZED, INSTEAD, ALL SUSTENANCE SYSTEMS ARE COLLAPSING.

THE SOYUZ GROUP IS AGAINST RETREATING TO PAST POSITIONS, BUT IT IS ALSO AGAINST COUNTER-PERESTROIKA PROCESSES POSING AS PERESTROIKA, BLOKHIN SAID.

BLOKHIN FAVOURED A MORATORIUM ON ALL REPUBLICAN LEGAL ACTS, WHICH CONTRADICT THE EFFECTIVE SOVIET CONSTITUTION AND FEDERAL LAWS, AND SUPPORTED THE IDEA OF REFERENDA ON PRIVATE PROPERTY AND THE FUTURE OF THE UNION.

DISCUSSION OF PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV'S REPORT WILL CONTINUE ON TUESDAY.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 17) TASS -- THE SITUATION IN THE GULF AND THE MIDDLE EAST AS A WHOLE WAS HIGHLIGHTED DURING THE BRIEFING AT THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY PRESS CENTRE HERE TODAY.

FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN VITALY CHURKIN TOLD JOURNALISTS THAT 751 SOVIET CITIZENS HAD RETURNED HOME FROM IRAQ BETWEEN DECEMBER 7 AND 17. ANOTHER 2,565 SOVIET NATIONALS ARE STILL IN IRAQ. THEY WILL BE LEAVING THAT COUNTRY IN LINE WITH THE PREPARATION OF EXIT DOCUMENTS.

THE IRAQI SIDE'S STANCE ON THE DEADLINE FOR ITS CONTACTS WITH THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION "APPEARS DIFFICULT TO DEFEND AND CAUSES DOUBT AS TO IRAQ'S FURTHER INTENTIONS," CHURKIN SAID.

THE SOVIET SIDE IS CONVINCED, HE STRESSED, THAT THE DISRUPTION OF THE PLANNED DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND IRAQ WILL SERIOUSLY COMPLICATE EFFORTS TO PREVENT THE "NON- PEACEFUL" DEVELOPMENT OF EVENTS AFTER THE PEACE PAUSE ENDS.

ASKED IF IRAQ CAN COUNT ON GUARANTEES OF ITS TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND SOVEREIGNTY IF IT ANNOUNCED WITHDRAWAL FROM KUWAIT, CHURKIN CITED SOVIET

FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE'S STATEMENT DURING HIS NEW CONFERENCE AT ANKARA.

ACCORDING TO SHEVARDNADZE, THE POSSIBILITY OF GUARANTEEING IRAQ'S TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND SOVEREIGNTY COULD BECOME A SUBJECT OF SERIOUS DISCUSSION IF BAGHDAD SHOWED READINESS TO PULL OUT OF KUWAIT.

CHURKIN POINTED OUT THE POSITIVE EMPHASIS IN THE SOVIET MINISTER'S STATEMENT.

ASKED ABOUT THE SOVIET STANCE WITH REGARD TO THE CONVOCATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT, CHURKIN SAID THAT MOSCOW FAVOURED ANY DIPLOMATIC AND POLITICAL EFFORTS, INCLUDING BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL CONTACTS, AS WELL AS THE ACTIVITY OF U.N. SECRETARY-GENERAL'S ENVOYS AND CONSULTATIONS BY THE FIVE PERMANENT SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBERS.

ALL THESE CONTACTS AND CONSULTATIONS, HE NOTED, CAN LEAD TO THE CONVOCATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT. THE SOVIET UNION CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT A FORUM OF THIS KIND CAN BE USEFUL FOR THE SOLUTION OF THIS INTRICATE PROBLEM.

CHURKIN TOLD THE BRIEFING THAT LAST WEEK, THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT'S INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE BEGAN DISCUSSION OF THE TREATY ON THE FINAL SETTLEMENT AROUND GERMANY, AS WELL AS A NUMBER OF OTHER SOVIET-GERMAN, SOVIET-FRENCH AND SOVIET-ITALIAN DOCUMENTS.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL RESUME THE DISCUSSION OF THESE DOCUMENTS AS SOON AS THE CONGRESS OF SOVIET PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES ENDS AND SUBMIT THEM FOR RATIFICATION THEREAFTER.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 17) TASS - SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN VITALY CHURKIN TOLD A BRIEFING HERE TODAY THAT THE DECISION BY THE ISRAELI OCCUPATION ADMINISTRATION TO DEPORT FOUR PALESTINIANS FROM GAZA WAS "A FRESH VIOLATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL LAW".

THE ISRAELI AUTHORITIES HAVE DEPORTED 58 PALESTINIAN FROM THE OCCUPIED PALESTINIAN LANDS SINCE INTIFADA BEGAN.

THE SOVIET SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT THE DECISION ON THE DEPORTATIONS CONTRADICTS ARTICLE 49 OF THE 1949 GENEVA CONVENTION, SIGNED BY ISRAEL, WHICH PROHIBITS DEPORTATION OF PEOPLE FROM OCCUPIED TERRITORIES.

"WE EXPECT ISRAEL TO STRICTLY ABIDE BY INTERNATIONAL LAW AND RESPECTIVE RESOLUTIONS BY THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE UN. SECURITY COUNCIL," CHURKIN STRESSED.

ONLY IF ALL PARTIES TO THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT STRICTLY ADHERE TO THE SPIRIT AND THE LETTER OF THE GROUND-LAYING NORMS AND RULES OF CIVILIZED COMMUNICATION BETWEEN STATES AND NATIONS, HE POINTED OUT, IT IS POSSIBLE TO COUNT ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DURABLE PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
y-Buffalo	12	2	0	.857	390	220	6-1	W-3
y-Miami	11	3	0	.786	299	201	6-0	W-2
Indianapolis	6	8	0	.429	229	302	3-4	W-1
New York Jets	4	10	0	.286	237	324	1-6	L-5
New England	1	13	0	.071	164	391	1-6	L-12

CENTRAL

Pittsburgh	8	6	0	.571	243	206	1-3	W-2
Houston	8	6	0	.571	351	253	3-1	W-2
Cincinnati	7	7	0	.500	299	318	3-1	L-2
Cleveland	3	11	0	.214	214	406	1-3	W-1

WEST

y-LA Raiders	10	4	0	.714	292	232	5-2	W-3
Kansas City	9	5	0	.643	324	226	4-3	L-1
Seattle	7	7	0	.500	259	264	3-4	L-1
San Diego	6	8	0	.429	282	240	2-4	L-1
Denver	4	10	0	.286	297	344	3-4	W-1

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
x-New York Giants	11	3	0	.786	298	180	6-1	L-1
y-Washington	9	5	0	.643	324	252	4-4	W-3
y-Philadelphia	8	6	0	.571	356	275	3-3	W-1
Dallas	7	7	0	.500	234	265	2-5	W-4
Phoenix	5	9	0	.357	216	344	2-4	L-1

CENTRAL

x-Chicago	10	4	0	.714	311	245	5-2	L-2
Tampa Bay	6	8	0	.429	236	324	5-2	W-2
Minnesota	6	8	0	.429	323	265	3-5	L-2
Green Bay	6	8	0	.429	241	301	3-4	L-3

Detroit	5	9	0	.357	339	366	2-5	W-1
WEST								
x-San Francisco	12	1	0	.923	297	199	3-1	W-2
New Orleans	6	8	0	.429	241	248	2-2	L-1
Los Angeles Rams	5	8	0	.385	305	346	2-1	L-1
Atlanta	3	11	0	.214	302	345	1-4	L-7

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff berth

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(DEC. 17) UPI - Secretary of States Baker today told NATO foreign ministers the alliance should stand firm against partial solutions to the Persian Gulf crisis. Baker warned Saddam Hussein will likely try to undercut the international community's will to force him out of Kuwait.

In Washington, President Bush says he determined there will be NO negotiations with Iraq and NO concessions. Bush told diplomats from 28 countries that Iraq must withdraw from- quote- ''every square inch of Kuwait.''

President Bush says the man he's tapped to head the education department will give education reform a needed boost in his administration. Bush picked former Tennessee Governor Lamar Alexander, a highly regarded activist educator, to replace Lauro Cavazos, who was dumped last week.

In a related development, President Bush has asked the Education Department to review its controversial ruling outlawing scholarships earmarked exclusively for minority students. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says Bush was ''very disturbed about the ruling.''

International observers says Jean Bertrand Aristide Zhawn-BAYR'-trahn Ah-rees-TEED', a charismatic 37-year-old Catholic priest, is the apparent winner of yesterday's presidential race in Haiti. With one percent of the ballots counted, Aristide is ahead with 70-point-six percent of the vote.

Also today, witnesses and news reports say a victory celebration by Aristide supporters turned bloody as soldiers fired into a crowd of revelers outside a church in Port-au-Prince. A pregnant woman reportedly was killed and several other people wounded.

Snow plastered the northern half of the nation today from the Northwest to the Great Lakes. A cold front moving southward from Canada is expected to drop temperatures significantly across northern states by tomorrow. Elsewhere, warm winds swept the South, equaling or breaking high temperature records in four states.

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#90351u0046 12/17/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 17) - Two NFL playoff spots were filled Sunday, leaving eight berths clinched and four up for grabs.

The Los Angeles Raiders and Philadelphia Eagles sealed postseason spots with victories over other playoff hopefuls. That leaves three playoff berths open in the AFC and one in the NFC with two weeks remaining in the regular season.

The Raiders' 24-7 rout of Cincinnati put them a game ahead of Kansas City in the AFC West, and gave them their first playoff spot since 1985. The Chiefs were crushed 27-10 by the Houston Oilers, who received a 527- yard passing day from Warren Moon.

At Los Angeles, Bo Jackson's 88-yard run set up one of three Jay Schroeder touchdown passes to lift the Raiders. Jackson finished with 117 yards on eight carries.

''This is my first playoff ever in any sport and I'm looking forward to it,'' said Jackson, who also plays outfield for the Kansas City Royals. ''I don't know what to expect. You'll have to ask the older guys like Marcus (Allen) and Howie (Long). I'm going to contribute as much as I can and do whatever I can to help the Raiders win.''

Tim Brown caught two of Schroeder's scoring passes.

The Raiders lead the division at 10-4, with the Chiefs at 9-5. The Bengals, 7-7, dropped out of a tie for the AFC Central lead.

At Kansas City, Mo., Moon kept the Oilers, 8-6, tied for first with Pittsburgh in the AFC Central. He completed 27 of 45 passes for three TDs and no interceptions. Moon fell 27 yards short of the NFL single- game record set by Norm Van Brocklin in 1951.

''When you have a 500-yard day against anybody, you have to be proud, '' Moon said. ''I'm very proud of myself and of the people around me who allowed it to happen.''

Haywood Jeffires caught nine passes for 245 yards, including an 87- yard TD pass.

''This is something receivers dream about,'' Jeffires said. ''I wish I could have done it before the home crowd and my mother.''

The Raiders follow Buffalo and Miami from the AFC East into the AFC playoffs. Miami edged Seattle 24-17 Sunday to improve to 11-3 and remain one game behind

the Bills in the division race entering their showdown Sunday in Buffalo.

At Miami, Dan Marino threw touchdown passes of 4 yards to James Pruitt and 8 yards to Ferrell Edmunds to lift the Dolphins. Miami, 11-3, also scored on a 6-yard run by Troy Stradford and a 32-yard field goal by Pete Stoyanovich. The Seahawks, in contention for a wild-card spot, slipped to 7-7.

The Eagles' 31-0 rout of Green Bay at home made Philadelphia the fifth NFC playoff team, and third from the NFC Central. The New York Giants have clinched the division title, and Washington, 9-5, sealed a berth with a 25-10 victory over New England Saturday.

At Philadelphia, quarterback Randall Cunningham threw for one TD and ran for another, running back Keith Byars caught a scoring pass and threw for another, and the Eagles recorded their first shutout of the season.

''I'm happy and proud to make the playoffs,'' Cunningham said. ''I'm also happy with the shutout.''

Cunningham, who completed 13 of 27 passes for 241 yards and ran four times for 56 yards, threw to Byars for a 12-yard score and ran 17 yards for a touchdown.

The Eagles held Green Bay, 6-8, to 158 yards in offense. Philadelphia recorded five sacks and an interception to dampen the Packers' playoff hopes.

Another NFC East team, Dallas, 7-7, leads the race for the final conference wild-card spot. The Cowboys crushed Phoenix 41-10 at home Sunday to move a game ahead of Green Bay, Minnesota, New Orleans and Tampa Bay - all 6-8 - in the wild-card hunt.

At Irving, Texas, Emmitt Smith gained 103 yards on 24 carries and tied a club record with four touchdowns to help the Cowboys to their most lopsided victory in four years. The Cardinals, 5-9, had a three- game winning streak snapped.

The Buccaneers won Richard Williamson's debut as interim head coach, crushing Minnesota 26-13 at Tampa, Fla. Vinny Testaverde scrambled 48 yards for a TD and rushed for 105 yards and the Vikings committed eight turnovers.

At New Orleans, Gary Anderson's third field goal of the game, a 43- yarder with 1:44 left, lifted the Pittsburgh Steelers to a 9-6 victory over the Saints. Morten Andersen kicked two field goals for New Orleans.

In other games Sunday, Denver clipped San Diego 20-10, Indianapolis dumped the New York Jets 29-21 and Cleveland shaded Atlanta 13-10.

Detroit upset Detroit 38-21 in Sunday night's game. On Monday night, the San Francisco 49ers visit the Los Angeles Rams.

Broncos 20, Chargers 10

At Denver, John Elway threw for 248 yards and two TDs to help the Broncos snap a six-game losing streak. The Broncos, 4-10, damaged the Chargers' playoff hopes. San Diego dropped to 6-8.

Colts 29, Jets 21

At East Rutherford, N.J., Eric Dickerson rushed for 117 yards and scored two third-quarter TDs to rally the Colts, 6-8, who are trying to avoid their first losing season under coach Ron Meyer. The Jets fell to 4-10 despite two TD receptions by rookie Rob Moore.

Browns 13, Falcons 10

At Cleveland, Kevin Mack rushed for 80 yards and a TD to help the Browns snap an eight-game losing streak. The Falcons, 3-11, lost their seventh straight and 18th in a row on the road. The Browns, 3-11, won for the first time in five games under interim coach Jim Shofner.

Lions 38, Bears 21

At Pontiac, Mich., Rodney Peete threw a career-best four touchdown passes, including three in the second quarter, to lead the Lions to an upset of the Bears. The triumph was only the second in the last seven games for the Lions, 5-9. The Bears, 10-4, who lost quarterback Jim Harbaugh to a separated shoulder in the third quarter, dropped their second straight game.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Cleveland - Named Victor Gregovits director of ticket sales; Jay Green assistant scouting director; Glen Shumate director of community relations and Eva Manning cCommunity relations coordinator.

FOOTBALL

Miami (Fla.) - Reinstated running back Leonard Conley.

Oregon State - Named Jay Schaake and Todd Spencer assistant football coaches.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - President Bush isn't saying whether his proposed talks with Iraq are dead. Upon his return to the White House Sunday from Camp David, Maryland, Bush simply waved off questions from reporters about the high- level meetings. The White House also declined comment on an Iraqi statement reaffirming Baghdad's determination to stay in Kuwait.

The president of Algeria paid a short visit to Lebanon Sunday for talks with Lebanese leaders. It was the first such diplomatic gesture by a head of state towards the war-battered nation in more than seven years. Officials say the Algerian leader came by land in a heavily- guarded motorcade from Syria and was received by Lebanon's Prime Minister Selim Hoss.

In Brazil, a cattle rancher and his son were convicted Sunday in the 1988 murder of labor leader and Amazon rain forest environmentalist Francisco ''Chico'' Mendes. Both were sentenced to 19 years in prison. Mendes, who led efforts by rubber tappers to preserve the Brazilian jungle, was shot 40 times at his home, sparking protests around the world.

Justice Department statistics show the number of drug trafficking convictions has jumped 50 percent in just two years. A Bureau of Justice Statistics study also found that 41 percent of those convicted in 1988 received prison sentences... up from 37 percent two years earlier. It says most of the felons, 91 percent, pleaded guilty.

Most Americans, or 70 percent, are willing to pay an extra 200- dollars a year in taxes to help clean up the environment. That's according to a poll by Time magazine and Cable News Network. The survey also found that 64 percent of the respondents regularly return cans or bottles to their recycling center.

Pope John Paul is calling on Central American presidents to make concrete advances toward peace and freedom. The leaders gathered in Costo Rica Sunday in their ninth summit aimed at ending regional civil strife and revitalizing their economies. The pontiff issued the appeal in a statement read at the end of a mass attended by the presidents of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - The way Brett Hull sees it, he better be scoring goals or he isn't much of a hockey player.

Hull scored his second goal of the game and league-leading 33rd of the season early in the third period Sunday night, leading the St. Louis Blues to a 5-3 victory over the Buffalo Sabres, who have lost five straight.

With the score tied 3-3, Hull skated the length of the ice before unleashing a slap shot that beat Buffalo goaltender Clint Malarchuk 1:48 into the third

period.

''I try to go out and do the best I can every night,'' Hull said. ''If I'm going to help the team I'm scoring goals. That's what it's all about for me. I don't do a lot else good so I just try to go out there and help the club.''

Adam Oates added a goal and two assists for the Blues, who extended their unbeaten streak to six games (5-0-1).

''He played like he always does. He was awesome,'' Hull said of Oates, who was playing in his first game after missing 18 with an abdominal muscle pull. ''He's heart and soul (of the club). We missed him for 18 games and we're going to be tough to stop with him back.''

Pierre Turgeon had a goal and an assist and Uwe Krupp had two assists for the Sabres.

Mike Ramsey gave Buffalo a 1-0 lead in the first period with his first goal of the season. With a penalty upcoming to the Blues, Ramsey moved in from the left point and blasted a 35-foot shot past Blues goaltender Vincent Riendeau.

Geoff Courtnall tied the score for the Blues at 15:40 when he tipped Paul MacLean's centering pass off Malarchuk and into the net.

Turgeon regained the lead for Buffalo with a power-play goal at 7:34 of the second period. Uwe Krupp took a shot from the point that was stopped, but Turgeon swept in the rebound from 15 feet for his 100th career goal.

Hull evened the score with his 32nd goal on a power play at 13:52. Hull lunged to take a Cliff Ronning pass in the slot, deked Malarchuk and put in a backhander.

''There's a tremendous amount of pressure surrounding our hockey club,'' Buffalo Coach Rick Dudley said. ''I think they've worked very hard. I don't know why we can't win. I don't know why we always manage to give up goals in inopportune times, but we do.''

Dale Hawerchuk gave Buffalo a 3-2 lead with a power-play goal two minutes later, swatting in a third rebound past Riendeau.

Oates tied it with 34 seconds left in the second period when his slap shot from the faceoff dot to the left of Malarchuk went off the goalie's shoulder and under the crossbar.

Bob Bassen added an empty-net goal for the Blues with 41 seconds left.

In other games, Calgary downed Vancouver 5-2, Chicago defeated Minnesota 5-2, Philadelphia overcame Winnipeg 4-2 and Pittsburgh battered Detroit 4-1.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Flames 5, Canucks 2

At Vancouver, Stephane Matteau scored a short-handed goal in the third period to lead Calgary. Jamie Macoun knocked Trevor Linden off the puck by cross-checking him in the back and into the boards. The ensuing turnover sent Matteau on a breakaway, who scored his sixth of the season at 2:31.

Blackhawks 5, North Stars 2

At Chicago, Jeremy Roenick scored two of three power-play goals in the second period and added an empty-net goal, helping the Blackhawks avenge a loss to Minnesota the night before. The power-play goals were the seventh and eighth for Roenick this season, while the hat trick was the third of his career.

Flyers 4, Jets 2

At Winnipeg, Manitoba, Rick Tocchet snapped a tie with a second- period goal and set up another score in the third period to lift the Flyers. With the score tied 2-2 in the second period, Tocchet staked the Flyers to a 3-2 lead at 19:09, completing a two-on-one break by knocking home Kjell Samuelsson's rebound for his 22nd goal of the season.

Penguins 4, Red Wings 1

At Pittsburgh, Bryan Trottier scored one goal and assisted on another and Tom Barrasso made 40 saves to lead the Penguins to their third straight victory. The Red Wings saw their three-game winning streak snapped.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) UPI - If all had gone as planned, President Bush and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz were to meet at the White House Monday in an effort to avert war.

But it's now doubtful the two will ever get together and it's growing more questionable each day if the Persian Gulf crisis can be resolved without bloodshed.

The United States and Iraq, despite the release last week of all remaining hostages in Iraq and Kuwait, can't seem to agree on anything. Both say their positions, backed up by hundreds of thousands of troops, are firm.

Baghdad restated Sunday that Kuwait will remain part of Iraq. The United States has maintained that Iraq must withdraw from the oil-rich nation by Jan.

Bush, with his schedule Monday suddenly wide open, arranged to meet with h Rep. Lynn Martin, R-Ill., who he nominated Friday to replace Elizabeth Dole as labor secretary. The nomination is subject to Senate confirmation.

The president put his talk with Aziz on hold Friday due to Saddam Hussein's refusal to meet by Jan. 3 in Baghdad with Secretary of State James Baker.

On Saturday, Iraq formally canceled Aziz's trip to Washington and refused to budge on its position that Baker and Saddam meet Jan. 12 - just three days before the U.N. deadline.

''Iraq alone sets the proper appointments for its president to meet foreign officials,'' said the official Iraqi news agency, INA.

The statement drew a swift response from the White House and a stiff warning from European Community leaders meeting in Rome.

''Today's public announcement is just a reaffirmation of the Iraqi unwillingness to deal seriously with the issue,'' said White House spokesman John Herrick.

French President Francois Mitterrand said at a European Community summit in Rome, ''I believe Iraq's position of putting back to a very late date ... an exchange of views, which could be very profitable, is very damaging to peace.''

''If there is no movement, we will reach Jan. 15 (the effective date of the U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force to expel Iraqi troops) and I cannot believe that Iraq is not seriously considering the fate it is risking.''

Bush, upon returning to the White House Sunday from a weekend at Camp David, Md., waved off questions from reporters on whether the proposed talks were dead.

Herrick said, however, he was aware of no immediate attempt to reschedule or revive them.

The president spent Sunday hosting a private Christmas party for members of his family. Earlier in the day, he was interviewed by David Frost for broadcast Jan. 2 on the Public Broadcasting System.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Most Americans are willing to pay an additional $200 a year in taxes to help clean up the environment, but many people are confused over how to deal with the messy problem, a new survey shows.

The Time magazine and Cable News Network survey, released Sunday, found that 80 percent of those asked agree with the statement: ''There are so many contradictory things said about the environment that it is sometimes confusing to know what to do.''

It also found that 64 percent of the respondents regularly return cans or bottles to their recycling center, while 17 percent never do. Only 29 percent of those questioned said they avoid products from companies with poor environmental records.

Seventy percent said they would be willing to pay $200 more in taxes each year to help clean up the environment, while 25 percent said they wouldn't. And 44 percent said they'd be willing to pay and extra $500 in taxes earmarked for environmental projects.

Time and CNN questioned 1,000 adults in the survey, which was conducted Nov. 27 and 28. It had a sampling error of plus or minus 3 percent.

The majority of those surveyed - 64 percent - admitted that they ''should be doing more'' to clean up the environment.

Only 18 percent said they regularly contributed to environmental groups, while 50 percent said they regularly save newspapers for recycling.

Almost half the respondents, 48 percents, said they think the nation should ''go full speed ahead in spending money to clean up the environment. Forty-seven percent, however, said that given other national problems, it would be better to ''go slow,'' the survey found.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - NFL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Phoenix	3	0	0	7--10
Dallas	13	7	7	14--41

FIRST QUARTER

Pho-FG Del Greco 38, 7:21

Dal-Smith 1 run (kick failed), 11:12

Dal-Smith 11 run (Willis kick), 14:53

SECOND QUARTER

Dal-Irvin 8 pass from Aikman (Willis kick), 9:37

THIRD QUARTER

Dal-Smith 1 run (Willis kick), 11:31

FOURTH QUARTER
Dal-Smith 6 run (Willis kick), 0:05.
Pho-Johnson 1 run (Del Greco kick), 6:24
Dal-Johnston 6 run (Willis kick), 13:36

A-60,190

	Pho	Dal
First downs	9	25
Rushes-yards	21--49	43--188
Passing yards	151	166
Sacked-yards lost	0--00	1--8
3rd down eff.	4--14--29.0	7--13--54.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	14--35--3	13--22--1
Punts	7--45.1	4--42.8
Punt returns-yds	2--17	5--19
KO returns-yds	7--123	2--23
Fumbles-lost	1--1	2--2
Penalties-yards	12--123	10--65
Time of possessin	23:02	36:58

Pittsburgh	0	3	0	6--9
New Orleans	0	0	3	3--3

FIRST QUARTER
No scoring.

SECOND QUARTER
Pit-FG Anderson 29 8:26

THIRD QUARTER
NO-FG Andersen 50 6:54

FOURTH QUARTER
NO-FG Andersen 43 2:26
Pit-FG Anderson 42 9:36
Pit-FG Anderson 43 13:16

A-68,582

	PIT	NO
First downs	14	12
Rushes-yards	31-78	26--100
Passing yards	154	95
Sacked-yards lost	0--0	0--0
3rd down eff.	6--14--43.0	5--13--38.0

4th down eff.	0--0--000	0--1--100
Passes	15--25--1	8--26--0
Punts	3--37.0	5--45.4
Punt returns-yds	4--32	1--7
KO returns-yds	2--31	4--74
Fumbles-lost	0--0	1--1
Penalties-yards	4--25	6--50
Time of possessin	33:42	26:18

Green Bay	0	0	0	0-	0
Philadelphia	7	10	0	14-	31

FIRST QUARTER
Phil-Toney 8 pass from Byars (Ruzek kick), 13:45

SECOND QUARTER
Phil-FG Ruzek 34, 11:53
Phil-Byars 12 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick), 14:16

THIRD QUARTER
No scoring.

FOURTH QUARTER
Phil-Cunningham 17 run (Ruzek kick), 4:00
Phil-Sanders 2 run (Ruzek kick), 11:00

A-65,627

	GBay	Phil
First downs	10	23
Rushes-yards	17--55	36--173
Passing yards	103	249
Sacked-yards lost	5--38	1--8
3rd down eff.	4--15--27.0	4--11--36.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	14--33--1	15--29--0
Punts	9--35.5	5--35.8
Punt returns-yds	2--10	6--91
KO returns-yds	5--99	1--15
Fumbles-lost	2--1	1--0
Penalties-yards	6--40	3--17
Time of possessin	27:10	32:50

Pittsburgh	0	3	0	6--9
New Orleans	0	0	3	3--3

FIRST QUARTER
No scoring.

SECOND QUARTER
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NO-FG Andersen 43 2:26
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A-68,582

	PIT	NO
First downs	14	12
Rushes-yards	31-78	26--100
Passing yards	154	95
Sacked-yards lost	0--0	0--0
3rd down eff.	6--14--43.0	5--13--38.0
4th down eff.	0--0--000	0--1--100
Passes	15--25--1	8--26--0
Punts	3--37.0	5--45.4
Punt returns-yds	4--32	1--7
KO returns-yds	2--31	4--74
Fumbles-lost	0--0	1--1
Penalties-yards	4--25	6--50
Time of possessin	33:42	26:18

Chicago	7	0	7	7--21
Detroit	0	21	7	10--38

FIRST QUARTER
Chi-Muster 1 run (Butler kick), 12:38

SECOND QUARTER
Det-Clark 20 pass from Peete (Murray kick), 1:38
Det-R.Johnson 44 pass from Peete (Murray kick), 7:28
Det-Clark 1 pass from Peete (Murray kick), 14:36

THIRD QUARTER
Chi-Dent 45 fumble return (Butler kick), 3:58
Det-Greer 68 pass from Peete (Murray kick), 12:12

FOURTH QUARTER
Det-Sanders 1 run (Murray kick), 3:43
Det-FG Murray 26, 6:58
Det-Davis 8 pass from Willis (Butler kick), 15:00

A-67,759

	Chi	Det
First downs	19	20
Rushes-yards	30-137	24-101
Passing yards	88	310
Sacked-yards lost	6-50	1-6
3rd down eff.	5-14-36.0	4-8-50.0
4th down eff.	1-1-100	0-0-0
Passes	15-28-1	18-27-2
Punts	6-46.0	3-34.0
Punt returns-yds	0-0	4-53
KO returns-yds	6-125	3-85
Fumbles-lost	1-1	3-1
Penalties-yards	7-72	9-83
Time of possession	34:27	25:33

Houston	7	3	7	10--27
Kansas City	0	7	3	0--10

FIRST QUARTER
Hou-T.Jones 24 pass from Moon (Garcia kick), 5:33

SECOND QUARTER
Hou-FG Garcia 32, 6:47
KC-Birden 62 pass from DeBerg (Lowery kick), 14:42

THIRD QUARTER
Hou-Jeffires 87 pass from Moon (Garcia kick), 7:40
KC-FG Lowery 35, 11:41

FOURTH QUARTER
Hou-FG Garcia 26, 0:03
Hou-T.Jones 2 pass from Moon (Garcia kick), 6:28

A-61,756

	Hou	KC
First downs	22	17
Rushes-yards	16--64	21--101
Passing yards	499	249
Sacked-yards lost	4--28	1--6
3rd down eff.	7--14--50.0	1--10--10.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	0--2--00.0
Passes	27--45--0	17--34--2
Punts	3--47.3	6--39.9
Punt returns-yds	3--4	1--5

KO returns-yds	3--31	5--65
Fumbles-lost	1--1	2--0
Penalties-yards	12--86	6--45
Time of possessin	33:01	26:59

Seattle	3	7	0	7--17
Miami	3	14	7	0--24

FIRST QUARTER
Sea-FG Johnson 24, 7:32
Mia-FG Stoyanovich 32, 13:03

SECOND QUARTER
Sea-Fenner 2 run (Stoyanovich kick) 0:32
Mia-Pruitt 4 pass from Marino (Stoyanovich kick) 8:51
Mia-Stradford 6 run (Stoyanovich kick) 13:32

THIRD QUARTER
Mia-Edmunds 8 pass from Marino (Stoyanovich kick) 14:39

FOURTH QUARTER
Sea-Chadwick 13 pass from Krieg (Stoyanovich kick) 13:09

A-57,851

	Sea	Mia
First downs	21	20
Rushes-yards	22--83	31-105
Passing yards	261	242
Sacked-yards lost	3--34	1--8
3rd down eff.	5--11--45.0	5--12--42.0
4th down eff.	0--0--00.0	1--1--100.0
Passes	21--37--3	17--29--1
Punts	3---46.0	5-45.8
Punt returns-yds	4--49	1--0
KO returns-yds	1--23	3--52
Fumbles-lost	2--1	3--2
Penalties-yards	5--25	4--27
Time of possessin	26:46	33:14

Minnesota	0	0	13	0--13
Tampa Bay	7	16	3	0--26

FIRST QUARTER
TB-Testaverde 48 run (Christie kick), 5:34

SECOND QUARTER
TB-FG Christie 50, 2:04

TB-FG Christie 43, 4:50
TB-FG Christie 42, 10:34
TB-Carrier 25 pass from Testaverde (Christie kick), 14:20

THIRD QUARTER
Minn-Jones 75 pass from Wilson (Reveiz kick), 0:43
TB-FG Christie 30, 7:32
Minn-Walker 1 run (pass failed), 13:48

FOURTH QUARTER
No scoring.

A-47,272

	Minn	TB
First downs	20	13
Rushes-yards	17--56	37--199
Passing yards	377	146
Sacked-yards lost	2--5	2--12
3rd down eff.	2-10-20.0	5-17-29.4
4th down eff.	1-2-50.0	0-0-00.0
Passes	26--49--5	13--31--2
Punts	3--44.3	6--38.2
Punt returns-yds	3--24	2--22
KO returns-yds	5--100	2--53
Fumbles-lost	3--3	2--0
Penalties-yards	5--40	7--50
Time of possession	23:15	36:45

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SEOUL, South Korea (DEC. 17) UPI - President Roh Tae-woo returned home Monday from a historic four-day visit to the Soviet Union, saying he and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev agreed to work together for peaceful reunification of South and North Korea.

Roh landed at Seoul Air Base at 10:20 a.m. from Leningrad with his wife and a 15-member entourage.

In an arrival statement at the air base, Roh said he met the Soviet leader four times in Moscow and shared the view that peace on the Korean peninsula is essential to the peace of northeast Asia and the world.

''The summits of the two countries pledged to make joint efforts to liquidate the Cold War on and achieve peace and reunification of the Korean peninsula standing on the principle that the question of the peninsula will be solved peacefully,'' Roh said.

Roh said he and Gorbachev signed a joint declaration in Moscow affirming that all the legacies of the Cold War - confrontation and war, hostility and discord, and the barriers that divided the world and nations - should be buried.

''In this declaration, the Soviet Union made it clear that it supports a peaceful and democratic settlement of the Korean question based on the intention of our people,'' Roh said.

While Roh was in Moscow, the two governments signed agreements on bilateral trade, investment protection, double taxation avoidance and scientific and technolgical cooperation.

Roh said his visit let him confirm the possibility for unlimited cooperation which will bring common prosperity and mutual benefits to the two countries. ''Combinging merits the two nations have, we will push substantive relations that help mutual progress,'' he said.

Roh was the first South Korean head of state to visit the Soviet Union which set up full diplomatic ties with the Seoul government on Sept. 30.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	19	4	.826	-
Philadelphia	15	7	.682	3 1/2
New York	10	11	.476	8
New Jersey	8	13	.381	10
Washington	7	15	.318	11 1/2
Miami	5	16	.238	13

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	16	7	.696	-
Detroit	14	8	.636	1 1/2
Chicago	14	8	.636	1 1/2
Atlanta	10	11	.476	5
Cleveland	10	13	.435	6
Charlotte	8	13	.381	6 1/2
Indiana	9	15	.375	7 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	14	5	.737	-
Utah	14	8	.636	1 1/2
Houston	13	10	.565	3
Dallas	7	13	.350	7 1/2
Minnesota	7	14	.333	8
Denver	5	17	.227	10 1/2
Orlando	5	19	.208	11 1/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	21	2	.913	-
Phoenix	13	7	.650	6 1/2
LA Lakers	13	7	.650	6 1/2
Golden State	13	9	.591	7 1/2
LA Clippers	10	12	.455	10 1/2
Seattle	7	13	.350	12 1/2
Sacramento	5	15	.250	14 1/2

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(DEC. 17) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I brings the latest news.

Iraq says it still wants dialogue with the United States on the Persian Gulf crisis. But Baghdad says it must set the dates for the meeting. That word comes amid the apparent collapse of the proposed Iraqi-U-S talks. President Bush yesterday waved off questions from reporters on whether the talks were dead.

In another development, the Iraqi information minister reportedly says Iraq is capable of ''defeating all forces of evil,'' including foreign troops deployed in Saudi Arabia. The Iraqi news agency quotes the minister as saying that Iraq wants peace but- ''NOT at the expense of its dignity.''

President Bush meets with his new nominee for labor secretary... Lynn Martin... at the White House this morning. Bush nominated the Illinois congresswoman Friday to replace Elizabeth Dole, who recently resigned. The president spent yesterday hosting a private Christmas party for members of his family.

Soviet lawmakers gathered in Moscow this morning for a 10-day conclave. The Congress of People's Deputies is expected to revamp the government, including creating a post of vice president. But deputies from five of the 15 Soviet republics are boycotting some, or all of the meetings in opposition to President Gorbachev's proposed pact to keep the Soviet Union together.

Trans World Airlines has renewed its bid to take over financially ailing Pan Am. T-W-A says the latest offer is an improvement over last month's bid because with the sale of most of Pan Am's U-S-London routes to United Airlines the debt-plagued carrier now has fewer assets.

T-W-A Chairman Carl Icahn in a letter, urged Pan Am Chairman Thomas Plaskett to meet with him to discuss the renewed bid, saying it offers both parties the opportunity to compete with the three major U-S airlines.

BILLIONAIRE Kirk Kerkorian's purchase of 272-Million dollars, or nearly 10 percent, of stock in Chrysler Corporation has many people baffled. Some analysts say it's either a passive investment, or a prelude to a hostile takeover. The United Auto Workers union, which represents about 60-thousand Chrysler workers, say they're ''just going to keep watching.''

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(DEC. 17) UPI - The Los Angeles Lakers once were virtually untouchable at home, but that has changed.

The Lakers, who surrendered a near-record 23 overtime points to Dallas in their previous Forum game, came perilously close to a second straight home loss Sunday night, but held on for a 115-112 victory over the Indiana Pacers.

Los Angeles, owners of the NBA's best home record last year at 37-4, led by 17 points with 16 minutes left and by 14 with 6 1-2 minutes remaining. But the Pacers, who snapped an 0-11 season-opening road losing streak Saturday night at Utah, almost dealt the Lakers their fifth home loss this season.

''A 14-point lead was nice, but it's not the end of the ballgame,'' said James Worthy, who had 26 points for the Lakers. ''We started to play too cautiously and tried to take time off the clock instead of playing aggressively.''

Magic Johnson collected 21 assists and a season-high 29 points, including two foul shots with 8.3 seconds left, to allow Los Angeles to weather the Indiana comeback.

The Lakers managed just two field goals in the final 6:23. Sam Perkins, who had 18 points, had a basket with 78 seconds left and Worthy connected for one with 11.3 seconds remaining.

Micheal Williams had all 14 of his points in the fourth quarter, the last two coming on a layup that brought the Pacers to within 109-106 with 96 seconds remaining.

Perkins hit a jumper with 68 seconds to play, but Reggie Miller sank a

3-pointer to make it 111-109. After Worthy's basket, Miller, who had 24 points nailed another basket from long range to get Indiana to 113- 112.

Johnson then sank two foul shots with 8.3 seconds to play. The Pacers had a chance to tie, but Chuck Person missed a 3-pointer. Johnson got the rebound and dribbled out the final three seconds.

Said Miller: ''I was more of a decoy on that (last) play. We got a good shot but we just did not hit it.''

Person had 22 points for the Pacers.

A 12-3 burst handed Los Angeles its largest lead at 82-65 with four minutes to play in the third quarter. However, Rik Smits scored 6 points in Indiana's 12-3 run, putting the Pacers within 85-77 entering the final period.

Indiana had led 45-42 midway through the second quarter, but Johnson had a pair of 3-point plays and four assists in a 17-5 spurt that gave Los Angeles a 59-50 lead.

With Miller hitting his first five shots, the Pacers hit 64 percent from the field in the first quarter - and trailed 38-35. The Lakers connected on 61.9 percent and received 12 points and seven assists from Johnson in the opening period.

In the only other NBA game Sunday night, Portland knocked off Orlando 126-107.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Blazers 126, Magic 107

At Portland, Ore., Clyde Drexler scored 31 points and Buck Williams added 26 points and 20 rebounds to help the Trail Blazers overcome a 9 1-2 minute drought midway through the second half. The Magic ran off 16 straight points, but it was not enough. Scott Skiles and Nick Anderson led the comeback with 7 points each during Orlando's run.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Utah at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.

FOOTBALL

San Francisco at LA Rams, 9 p.m.

HOCKEY

Washington at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.

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PUNTARENAS, Costa Rica (DEC. 17) UPI - Pope John Paul II urged Central American presidents to make advances toward peace and freedom during their ninth summit aimed at ending regional civil strife and revitalizing their economies.

''As Christmas approaches, perhaps the people of the region can be told through concrete deeds that peace and hope are coming,'' the pope Sunday said in a message read by Monsignor Pierre Giacomo de Nicolo.

The message was read at the end of a mass attended by presidents Rafael Angel Calderon of Costa Rica, Alfredo Cristiani of El Salvador, Vinicio Cerrezo of Guatemala, Rafael Leonardo Callejas of Honduras, Violeta Chamorro of Nicaragua and Panama's Guillermo Endara - who is attending the summit as an observer.

The summit opened Saturday in the Pacific resort town of Puntarenas, about 70 miles west of San Jose. Topics on the summit agenda inlcude ongoing civil wars in El Salvador and Guatemala, the region's $20 billion foreign debt, Central America's economic integration into an economic bloc with Mexico, the United States and eventually Canada, and the environment.

''We feel optimistic, full of willingness and desire that Central America will meet objectives that allow it to develop stronger brotherly and economic ties '' Callejas said.

The decade-old civil war between rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, and the Salvadoran military has claimed more than 72,000 lives, mostly civilians. About 100,000 people have died or disappeared in Guatemala during almost 30 years of civil strife.

''The people of the region have great courage and therefore should construct a more dignified tomorrow,'' Giacomo read from the pope's message.

The pope said each presidential summit must make a firm advance toward resolving problems in the area. He said he hoped Central American leaders would find ways to reduce hostilities in a region whose people, united by the same culture and faith, seek justice and liberty.

A joint declaration from the presidents was expected Monday morning.

Sources close to the talks said Chamorro would request a meeting with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. Nicaragua's former Sandinista-led government received substantial Soviet aid before Chamorro won presidential elections earlier this year. Nicaragua currently is in an economic crisis.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - The Washington Post quotes Secretary of State Baker as saying that he still hopes ''something can be arranged'' to bring about talks between the United States and Iraq. Baker commented aboard his plane on the way to a meeting of NATO foreign ministers in in Brussels, Belgium.

Delegates to the Soviet Congress of People's Deputies assembled today in Moscow. The Congress was to open with an address by Soviet President Gorbachev outlining the new powers he wants to trim the the industrial ministries he blames for retarding economic reforms.

Polish President-elect Lech Walesa has pledged to use his office to fulfill the demands of fellow shipyard workers killed by communist police 20 years ago. Walesa yesterday laid a wreath at a monument to fallen shipyard workers in Gdansk.

The African National Congress ended its historic conference yesterday by threatening to suspend talks with Pretoria unless it meets its racial reform obligations by April 30th. The conference was marked by criticism of Nelson Mandela and the movement's other aging leaders.

In Costa Rica yesterday, Pope John Paul urged Central American presidents to make advances toward peace and freedom during their ninth summit that opened Saturday. The summit is aimed at ending regional civil strife and revitalizing Central American economies.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 17) UPI - The Congress of People's Deputies, Mikhail Gorbachev's handmaiden that created a new Parliament and presidency, opened Monday to revamp the government, accept Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov's resignation and debate a new Union Treaty.

A top aide to Gorbachev, Georgi Shakhnazarov, confirmed as the 10-day Congress opened that the embattled Ryzhkov would resign during the session, the official Tass news agency said.

Deputies from five republics - the three Baltic states, Armenia and Georgia - either totally or partially boycotted the conclave because of opposition to

Gorbachev's proposed union pact to keep the Soviet Union together.

The congress opened with voting on the body's presidium - including Gorbachev and his rival, Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin - who were seated side by side on the podium at the front of the Kremlin Congress hall.

During debate on the agenda for the Congress, Deputy Saji Umalatova, from the Chechen region in southern Russia, proposed holding a vote of no-confidence in Gorbachev, saying, ''To the applause of the West, Mikhail Sergeivich (Gorbachev) has forgotten his own country; the country is dying.''

The motion was defeated by a 1,128-426 vote.

Gorbachev, Soviet president and head of the Communist Party, was to address the Congress at its afternoon session, outlining the new powers he wants to trim the industrial ministries he blames for retarding economic reforms.

Because of the boycotts, only 1,979 of the 2,250 deputies elected in 1988 in Gorbachev's first reform to democratize the Soviet Union attended the Congress the fourth session in less than two years.

The first Congress in May 1989 elected a standing Parliament, or Supreme Soviet, of 542 members, and the second in December 1989 condemned the invasion of Afghanistan and recognized the existence of the 1939 Hitler-Stalin pact. The third session last March approved a multi-party system, created the new executive presidency and elected Gorbachev to the post in a suprisingly close vote.

The present conclave will be asked to create the new post of vice president. It will also elect from its own ranks at least 180 new members to the Supreme Soviet under a rotation system mandating that one-third of the body be changed every two years.

In the the most substantive shakeup, the Congress deputies will vote on Gorbachev's plan to replace the unwieldy Council of Ministers of some 65 members with a smaller Cabinet responsible to Gorbachev.

The government reform will all but eliminate Ryzhkov's job as premier after five years in the post as Gorbachev's right-hand man and chief trouble-shooter.

''The thing is that every politician has some definite term, and new people should come now,'' Shakhnazarov said.

He added that if the Congress approved Gorbachev's proposed reforms as expected a new government would be formed quickly.

Ryzhkov has run into criticism for his insistence on a go-slow approach to a market reform from Yeltsin and more tacitly from Gorabchev.

Ryzhkov previously refused to resign, saying only the Congress could compel his removal because revamping the government is a constitutional question.

Tass speculated last week that Ryzhkov's replacement could be Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze or Arkady Volsky, the tough administrator who ranthe disputed enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh in Azerbaijan.

At past congresses, the deputies representing every major territorial district in the nation have assailed Gorbachev for dictatorial and sly methods but then approved every reform he sought, often denouncing him as they voted yes.

But this time fissures have occurred over Gorbachev's proposed draft treaty to remake the Soviet Union into a union of sovereign states and replace the 1922 pact that turned the 15 republics into vassals of Moscow.

''The debates on the treaty will be feverish, and reduced to a common denominator, you can say it is the 'Soviet Union - to be or not to be?''' the daily Pravda Communist Party newspaper said Sunday.

Deputies from Armenia and Lithuania boycotted the meeting, and while partial delegations from Latvia, Estonia and Georgia attended, they said they would not participate fully because they consider their republics independent of the Soviet Union.

The Congress can give Gorbachev only a moral vote of support on the union compact, because ultimately the parliaments of the 15 republics will decide either to join a revamped Soviet Union or secede.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - Secretary of State Baker has NOT given up hope that the United States and Iraq can meet before the U-N deadline of January 15th for Iraqi troops to be withdrawn from Kuwait. On his plane heading to NATO talks in Brussels, Baker reportedly said that he hopes ''something can be arranged.'' A senior official aboard Baker's plane reportedly said he's confident the meetings in Washington and Baghdad will take place.

Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov is expected to be out of a job after this week's meeting of the Congress of People's Deputies that began today. The deputies will vote on President Gorbachev's plan to replace the 65-member Council of Ministers with a smaller Cabinet responsible to him. The government reform will all but eliminate Ryzhkov's job as premier. Ryzhkov reportedly will resign.

The first floor of the European Community office in the center of Athens, Greece, suffered extensive damage after two rockets hit the building last

night. Police say say two women were slightly injured. The rockets were fired by remote control from a nearby building. Eyewitnesses say the explosions caused extreme panic in the area.

South Korean President Roh Tae-woo returned home today from a four-day visit to the Soviet Union. He said he and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev agreed to work together for peaceful re-unification of South and North Korea. Roh said he met the Soviet leader four times in Moscow and shared the view that peace on the Korean peninsula is essential to the peace of northeast Asia and the world.

A new survey says most Americans questioned would be willing to pay more in taxes to help clean up the environment. The survey of one-thousand people said that 70 percent would agree to pay 200 dollars more in taxes each year for environment cleanup. 44 percent said they'd be willing to pay an extra 500 dollars in taxes for environmental projects.

A man with a bullet wound to the head was found last night standing on a Brooklyn street more than six blocks from where he told police he and another victim were shot. Police found the second wounded man about 15 minute later. The second victim, who had been shot in the chest, died about an hour later at a hospital. The other man is in critical condition.

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CAIRO, EGYPT (DEC. 17) UPI - Doctors from a Nobel Prize-winning peace group that plans to warn President Saddam Hussein of the horrors of a gulf war said Monday they know their trip to Baghdad may be used for Iraqi propaganda purposes, but that they have a moral duty to try to prevent an armed conflict.

A war between Iraq's million-strong army and the U.S.-led multinational force in the region would be a medical catastrophe, they said, resulting in tens of thousands of seriously injured and overcrowding inadequate medical facilities.

''There are always people who will pin the label of dupes and propaganda tools on an organization such as ours, but the label has not stuck,'' said American Dr. John O. Pastore, a spokesman for the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War.

''The truth is the medical consequences of this conflict are something none of the countries involved is prepared to deal with,'' he said. ''It is our moral responsibility as physicians to deliver that message as loudly and eloquently as we can.''

Members of the group, which won the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize, were in Cairo Monday on a Middle East tour that will take them to Baghdad, where they hope to meet personally with Saddam.

The Iraqi president has met with other Americans and Western groups that have promoted a peaceful settlement to the gulf crisis, using the opportunity to promote his contention world leaders allied against him do not have the support of their people.

Iraq faces a U.N.-imposed Jan. 15 deadline to withdraw from Kuwait or face possible military action from hundreds of thousands of multinational troops deployed in the region.

Pastore and other doctors belonging to the physicians' group said in an interview that there were not enough medical facilities in the Middle East to handle the massive number of injured that would result from conventional armed warfare. If Iraq were to use its deadly arsenal of chemical weapons, the toll would be catastrophic, they said.

''The number of beds for treatment is miniscule compared to the number of injured we are going to see on the first and second day,'' he said. ''Many of these injuries will be burns, which are very difficult to treat and need to be treated immediately.''

He said the United States' largest overseas hospital, in Wiesbaden, Germany, had only 240 beds and emergency provisions for 500 more, while U.S. hospital ships such as the USS Mercy can handle up to 72 casualties over 24 hours.

''And we are talking about a war that is estimated to result in 5,000 to 20,000 killed in the first 10 days,'' he said. ''We can not even estimate the wounded, but it would be far higher.''

The doctors said some medical facilities in Saudi Arabia and other gulf countries are excellent, but far too limited to handle massive numbers of civilian casualties.

''You must remember also that many of the victims will be children,'' said Dr. Sergei Kolesnikov, a member of the group from the Soviet Union. ''In Iraq, 45 percent of the population is under the age of 15.''

The doctors said they were aware the Iraqi president, who has used chemical weapons on people in his own country, may not heed their warning.

''Maybe we are Don Quixotes tilting at windmills,'' Pastore said. ''But how naive can you be to launch a war without planning for it medically.

''Not only leaders, but the people must also address this question because you are paying for those weapons.''

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(DEC. 17) UPI - The Soviet Congress of People's Deputies opened today in Moscow and rejected a call for a vote of NO-confidence on President Mikhail Gorbachev. The motion was defeated by a vote of 1,128-426. The Congress is expected to approve sweeping changes in the Soviet government and to accept Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov's resignation.

A minor earthquake occurred in the Lafayette area of west central Indiana early this morning The Indiana State Police post at Lafayette reported receiving some calls from the public indicating that pictures fell off the walls in southern counties of west central Indiana. The U-S Geological survey says the quake registered three on the Richter scale.

President Bush is meeting this morning with his nominee to replace Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole, who is resigning. Bush will meet with Illinois Representative Lynn Martin, whom he nominated Friday. The nomination is subject to Senate confirmation. The president spent yesterday hosting a private Christmas party for members of his family.

Two women were slightly injured by flying glass when left-wing terrorists fired two rockets into the offices of the European Community in Athens, Greece late last night. Police say the blasts broke windows and furniture in the offices. The left-wing terrorist group ''November 17'' claimed responsibility. Police said the terrorists fired the rockets from an apartment building opposite the E-C offices, near the Greek Parliament building in central Athens.

A report on Tehran radio says relief teams have been sent to an area struck by an earthquake overnight. At least 20 people reportedly were killed and several injured in the quake that shook southern Iran. The report said the tremor destroyed or damaged several houses in a village about 460 miles south of Tehran.

Trans World Airlines has renewed its bid to take over financially ailing Pan Am. A T-W-A spokesman says its latest takeover offer of Pan Am would provide one-dollar 50 cents in cash, plus one-dollar either in preferred stock or a promissory note, for each share of Pan Am's common stock. T-W-A also announced the 515 Million dollar sale of six of its United States-to-London air routes and other assets to American Airlines.

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City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sn	49	36	.07
Anchorage sy	04	-07	....
Asheville r	52	45	....

Atlanta r	63	56	....
Baltimore pc	48	38	.01
Billings mc	37	19	....
Birmingham r	62	52	.06
Bismarck pc	38	10	....
Boston sy	43	37	.34
Brownsville w	84	67	....
Buffalo pc	37	33	.56
Burlington Vt. pc	29	26	.07
Charleston S.C. pc	71	58	....
Charlotte cy	62	51	....
Chicago r	36	33	....
Cincinnati r	39	36	....
Cleveland r	38	36	.06
Columbus Ohio r	40	36	....
Dallas ts	47	43	.16
Denver sn	50	22	....
Des Moines sn	39	25	....
Detroit r	42	35	.04
Duluth cy	33	20	....
El Paso cy	54	48	.16
Evansville r	39	36	....
Fargo pc	37	16	....
Hartford pc	45	33	.19
Honolulu sh	85	65	....
Houston sh	78	63	.07
Indianapolis r	40	34	....
Jackson Miss. mc	72	55	....
Jacksonville pc	77	50	....
Kansas City r	43	25	....
Las Vegas sy	55	35	....
Little Rock ts	44	40	.31
Los Angeles sy	63	44	....
Louisville r	42	37	....
Memphis ts	45	42	.08
Miami Beach pc	79	69	....
Milwaukee sn	33	28	....
Minneapolis cy	32	16	....
Nashville r	48	35	....
New Orleans cy	73	56	....
New York pc	48	40	.25
Oklahoma City ts	42	38	.22
Omaha sn	39	25	.05
Orlando pc	79	53	....
Philadelphia sy	51	42	.05
Phoenix pc	62	51	.13
Pittsburgh r	38	36	.06
Portland Me. sy	36	33	1.15

Portland Ore. mc	43	34	.05
Providence sy	47	43	.25
Richmond pc	54	40	.08
St. Louis r	38	35	....
Salt Lake City cy	30	22	.09
San Antonio mc	73	55	....
San Diego sy	60	53	....
San Francisco pc	55	44	.50
San Juan pc	83	72	....
Seattle r	39	34	.17
Spokane sn	30	20	....
Tampa pc	80	57	....
Washington pc	51	39	....
Wichita r	40	28	.07

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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LAFAYETTE, IND. (DEC. 17) UPI - A slight earthquake shook central Indiana early Monday but no injuries or serious damaged were reported.

The National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colo., said the quake hit at 12:25 a.m. EST and measured 3 on the Richter scale. Its epicenter was about 15 miles north of Lafayette.

People in the area had been sensitive to earthquakes because of predictions by New Mexico climatologist Iben Browning, who said the Midwest would experience a major earthquake around Dec. 3 along the New Madrid fault. Officials said Monday's tremor apparently was unrelated to Browning's prediction.

Many people in the Lafayette and Crawfordsville areas called police to report the quake. Some callers reported cracked ceilings but no injuries or major damage were reported.

Some people also reported being awakened by the shaking and said objects fell off their walls.

''It popped my cooler doors so I know it happened,'' Patricia Blue said from the gas station-convenience store where she was working just north of Crawfordsville.

''It wasn't as shocking as I anticipated,'' Susan Harmon of Crawfordsville said. ''It was a slight shaking of the house. My sister ran out and said that it was an earthquake.'' Harmon said it grew gradually more intense and subsided in six or eight seconds.

As she felt it, she said, she thought: ''Get in the doorway.''

''We were waiting for a big earth jolt,'' she said.

There were reports of tremors later in the morning in northwest Indiana, in Lake, LaPorte and Porter counties and near Chicago. However, Willis Jacobs, a geophysicist at the quake information center, said those reports probably were due to a sonic boom, because there was no record of seismic activity.

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ATHENS, Greece (DEC. 17) UPI - Two rockets fired from across the street struck the first-floor office of the European Community Sunday night, causing extensive damage to the office and slightly injuring two passers-by.

The left-wing terrorist group ''November 17'' claimed responsibility.

According to the police, the rockets were fired from a second floor of a building on the opposite side of the street by remote control.

Witnesses said the explosions caused panic in the area. The prime minister's office, the presidential palace and the parliament are only yards away from the building.

Two women passers-by were slightly injured, but released from a hospital after receiving treatment.

The attack came only three days after the Greek parliament passed a law that provides for life prison sentences for terrorists, prohibits the publication of proclamations by terrorist groups and enables the authorities to intercept telephone messages and open the mail of suspects.

Opposition parties and the press sharply condemned the new law.

The 17 November group has carried out more than 20 bombing attacks and assassinations, including three U.S. servicemen, since it began its activities in 1975. No member of the group has been arrested.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed lower Monday in thin trading as investors rested following a week of furious trading.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 shares fell 261.59 points to 24, 087.91. Friday, the Nikkei broke a streak of seven straight gains with a 293-point fall.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares, which slid 13.66 points Friday, dropped another 21.43 points to 1,778.89.

Declines topped advances 747 to 228, while 153 issues remained unchanged.

Volume, which reached a stunning 810 million shares Friday, subsided to an estimated 270 million shares.

Analysts said a weaker Japanese yen and worries about the Middle East sent investors packing for the holidays.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices on the Hong Kong Stock plummeted as many investors remained on the sidelines due to the concerns about the Middle East.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index fell 73.77 points to 3,051.92. The loss followed a 23-point drop Friday.

Among the narrower indexes, financials lost 34.64 points, utilities fell 96.82 properties tumbled 126.21 and industrials dropped 71.20 points.

Volume was thin as an estimated 694 million shares changed hands, lower than Friday's turnover of 712 million.

In Singapore, stock prices slumped in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange following the decline in Tokyo.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which lost 6.82 points Friday, fell 16.75 points to 1,171.58. The broader-based All Singapore Index fell 5.70 points to 322.66.

Volume amounted to about an estimated 25 million shares, compared with 48.9

million shares Friday.

Elsewhere around the region, stocks closed lower on the Manila Stock Exchange. The Manila Composite Stock Index of 25 selected issues lost 15.80 points to 674.45.

In Taipei, stocks closed broadly lower in thin trading on the Taiwan Stock Exchange.

The Taiwan Weighted Index fell 216.73 points to 4,102.74.

In Bangkok, stock prices fell sharply in thin trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index fell 27.60 points to 621. 98.

In Australia, stock prices closed lower in light trading on the Sydney Sharmarket as local investors were caught between rising Gulf tensions and domestic recession fears.

The All Ordinaries Index, which fell 9.7 points Friday, fell another 14.3 points to 1,295.7.

The All Industrial Index fell 17.2 points to 1,977.1 and the All Resources Index lost 11.6 points to 771.2.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 57.5 million shares, compared with 59.9 million shares Friday.

Meanwhile in Wellington, stock prices closed lower in light trading on the New Zealand Stock Exchange.

The Barclays Share-Price Index fell 18.08 points to 1,175.49 to its lowest level in six years.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - Doctors from a Nobel Prize-winning peace group plan to warn President Saddam Hussein of the horrors of a gulf war, even though they say they know their trip to Baghdad may be used for Iraqi propaganda purposes. Members of the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War are in Cairo today on a Middle East tour that will take them to Baghdad, where they hope to meet personally with Saddam. The group won the the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize.

There are reports this morning of minor tremors in the Midwest. The U-S Geological Survey says an earthquake measuring three on the Richter scale

shook west-central Indiana from Lafayette to Crawfordsville. There were NO reports of damage or injuries, but State Police received calls saying that the tremor shook pictures off walls.

There also were reports of tremors later in the morning in northwest Indiana and near Chicago. However, Willis Jacobs, a geophysicist at the quake information center, said those reports probably were due to a sonic boom, because there was no record of seismic activity. Jacobs said his information was that possible military activity caused a sonic boom.

Romanian Prime Minister Petre Roman has told Romanians he will not be moved by demonstrators calling for his resignation and that of President Ion Iliescu. In a televised speech last night, Roman said ''UNreasonable noise, ambition for power will not budge me.'' He spoke in response to all-day demonstrations that marked the anniversary of the uprising last year that led to the Romanian revolution.

About 900 delegates from 23 countries met today in Bangkok, Thailand, to begin an International Congress on AIDS. The conference started despite the withdrawal of the World Health Ogranization. The organization said earlier that it had to withdraw its support because a Thai law, imposed in 1985, bars AIDS-infected people from entering the country.

Israeli authorities prohibited Palestinians from the occupied territories from entering Jerusalem today in an effort to prevent violence. Members of the paramilitary Border Guard also were stationed at the gates to the walled Old City and searched Arabs entering the area. Israel radio says four members of the Kach movement of slain Rabbi Meir Kahane were arrested when they tried to enter the Temple Mount complex with flags.

Richard Schifter, assistant U-S secretary of state for human rights and humanitarian affairs, arrives in China today for a three-day working visit and diplomatic exchange. The visit by a ranking U-S official marks a bittersweet victory for China, which has been pressing Washington to end a year-old ban on high-level exchanges. China would have preferred an economics or trade official, instead of one responsible for human rights.

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PARIS (DEC. 17) UPI - A war against Iraq would lead to the destruction of all petroleum and industrial installations in the Persian Gulf, the Iraqi ambassador to France warned Monday.

Ambassador Abdul Razzak Al-Hachimi also said his country will not make any concessions until negotiations on the crisis begin.

''Don't let yourselves be deceived,'' Al-Hachimi told a Paris colloquium on

the impact of the gulf crisis on world oil markets. ''If war breaks out all the petroleum and industrial installations in the gulf will be destroyed.''

''A war in that region will be disastrous for the entire world,'' he added, insisting that Baghdad wants a peaceful solution to the crisis.

Al-Hachimi said Baghdad recognized Washington's right to set a date for a proposed meeting between President Bush and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. But he said it was up to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to establish the date of his session with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker in the Iraqi capital.

The Iraqi envoy said his country would not make any concessions before the start of negotiations on the gulf crisis.

''Don't ask the Iraqis for concessions before we are seated at the negotiating table,'' Al-Hachimi said, implying his country could accept the evacuation of Kuwait as part of a negotiated settlement to the crisis.

''We do not want a war in the region but we also do not want Iraq to pay the price of its independence and of its security,'' the Iraqi ambassador said.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - An upper-level storm brought snow to northern Arizona and New Mexico and Colorado's Sangre de Cristo Mountains while fog and drizzle created a minor nuisance in parts of the Midwest, South and Northwest.

As the wintry storm pushed toward eastward, light to moderate snow fell in northern Arizona throughout Sunday night. On Monday it surged farther into New Mexico, where a winter storm warning was in effect with snow accumulations of 2 to 4 inches expected. Roads in the northwestern part of New Mexico were icy and packed with snow.

Weather officials in Colorado posted a snow advisory for the Sangre de Cristo Mountains as the storm moved east from New Mexico, bringing the possibility of as much as 8 inches of snow.

In the Midwest, morning air traffic in Chicago, St. Louis and Minneapolis was frequently delayed by rain and fog while Kansas, Iowa and Nebraska had a variety of precipitation - drizzle, sleet and snow.

Northern Florida, Arkansas and Georgia were foggy while North Carolina had light rain. Fog also limited visibility to an eighth of a mile in West Texas, where light rain also fell, and Oregon had drizzle and snow.

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BEIJING (DEC. 17) UPI - A visit to China by Washington's top human rights watchdog comes at a crucial moment as the hard-line government prepares highly political prosecutions of key Tiananmen Spring dissidents.

The visit by Richard Schifter, assistant U.S. secretary of state for human rights and humanitarian affairs, highlights key differences in the ways the U.S. and Chinese governments view civil and legal rights.

Schifter was to arrive in Beijing late Monday for a three-day working visit and diplomatic exchange, U.S. Embassy officials said.

A visit by a ranking U.S. official marks a bittersweet victory for China, which has been pressing Washington to end a year-old ban on high- level exchanges but surely would have preferred an economics or trade official over one responsible for human rights.

The ban on exchanges was part of a package of political and economic sanctions imposed by the U.S. Congress after the government-ordered Beijing massacre against China's nationwide democracy movement in early June 1989.

Schifter's visit suggests Washington is easing the ban on exchanges, even while maintaining the sanctions are still in effect, and comes in the wake of the European Community's October decision to lift all sanctions but those banning military exchanges.

The trip was arranged during Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen's sanctions-busting visit with President Bush in Washington last month.

U.S. officials said Schifter planned to explore many questions about human rights in China, with an emphasis on the authoritarian crackdown that followed the Beijing massacre as well as lingering concerns in Tibet, Xinjiang and other remote Chinese regions.

At the top of Schifter's agenda, however, is Beijing's apparent intention to forge ahead with highly political prosecutions of dissidents it believes were core agitators in the Tiananmen Spring protests - the most serious challenge to the Communist Party in its four decades of absolute rule.

At least a dozen key dissidents have been charged in recent weeks with ''agitating counterrevolutionary propaganda,'' a serious crime punishable by long prison terms.

Two jailed dissidents - editor Wang Juntao, 32, and economist Chen Ziming, 38 - face trial on the additional and more serious charge of conspiring to overthrow the government, which can carry a death sentence.

Being charged with a crime is tantamount to conviction in China, where

defendants are expected to earn leniency by confessing their errors, expressing remorse and implicating others.

Schifter's visit puts into sharp focus the politicized nature of China's socialist legal system, which the government maintains is just even while acknowledging its usefulness for controlling public behavior and thinking.

U.S. legal scholar Jerome Cohen said Schifter's visit complicates a battle he believes is being fought among China's leaders over how to convict the ''counterrevolutionaries'' that sparked the 1989 protests they now regard as a ''counterrevolutionary rebellion.''

''They must be fighting like hell,'' Cohen said last week in Beijing. ''One of the advantages of having an autonomous judicial system is that politicians can hand over hot problems and wash their hands of them.''

Cohen said Beijing may be paying closer attention to the message political trials send to the American public, whose vast buying power has brought great wealth to a Chinese economy that during 10 years of reform has become increasingly dependent on the West.

''This is the kind of issue Americans grasp - the concept of a fair trial,'' Cohen said. ''What? You can't pick a lawyer? You can't defend yourself? This is going to bring back the MFN issue more than anyone can anticipate.''

China's privilege of trading with the United States as a most- favored-nation, or MFN, was renewed after the crackdown, but only after a tough fight in Congress. Some U.S. lawmakers vow to raise a fuss in 1991 if political prosecutions continue in China.

China's Foreign Ministry this month issued a rare comment on the Tiananmen Spring prosecutions, apparently seeking to deflect international criticism that they represent a government witch-hunt for ''counterrevolutionaries.''

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(DEC. 17) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Dec. 17:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	41	05
Amsterdam cy	1pm	32	00
Ankara pc	3pm	41	05
Athens cy	2pm	60	16
Auckland pc	12m	61	16
Beijing c	8pm	35	01

Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	31	00
Bonn pc	1pm	36	02
Brussels pc	1pm	36	02
Cairo c	2pm	71	21
Casablanca pc	12n	60	16
Copenhagen cy	1pm	33	01
Dakar c	12n	75	24
Dublin cy	1pm	39	03
Geneva cy	1pm	30	00
Helsinki c	2pm	32	00
Hong Kong c	8pm	69	20
Jerusalem pc	2pm	59	15
Karachi c	5pm	72	22
Lisbon c	1pm	48	09
London cy	1pm	37	03
Madrid pc	1pm	45	07
Malta c	1pm	62	16
Manila cy	8pm	84	28
Moscow pc	3pm	23	-04
Nairobi c	3pm	75	24
Nassau c	7am	69	20
New Delhi r	6pm	74	23
Nice c	1pm	48	08
Oslo fy	1pm	31	00
Paris c	1pm	36	02
Pretoria c	2pm	82	28
Riyadh	3pm	84	29
Rome c	1pm	50	10
Seoul s	9pm	34	01
Sofia cy	2pm	34	01
Stockholm cy	1pm	34	01
Sydney cy	10pm	76	24
Taipei cy	8pm	67	19
Tokyo cy	9pm	48	09
Tunis pc	1pm	57	14
Vienna s	1pm	32	00
Warsaw cy	1pm	29	-01

Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	74	23
Caracas cy	8am	68	20
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	65	18
Mexico City hz	6am	49	09
Rio de Janeiro	9am	-	-
Santiago cy	8am	56	13

Canada

Calgary pc	17	-08
Edmonton s	12	-11
Montreal c	29	-01
Ottawa c	28	-02
Regina c	16	-08
Toronto cy	35	01
Vancouver r	37	02
Winnipeg c	22	-05

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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(DEC. 17) UPI - President Bush says he is nominating former Tennessee governor Lamar Alexander to be Education Secretary, replacing Lauro Cavazos. Bush announced his choice at the White House, saying NO governor in the nation is more closely linked to educational improvements. Alexander pushed through a merit-pay plan for teachers in Tennessee. Alexander currently serves as president of the University of Tennessee.

Wide-ranging changes in the Soviet government may come from a 10-day Congress of People's Deputies that officially opened in Moscow today. Delegates are to debate poposals from Mikhail Gorbachev to keep the Soviet Union a united country. Gorbachev designed the Congress that gave his country a new Parliament and presidency, a position he now holds. But deputies from five republics are either totally or partially boycotting the meetings. And one deputy who is attending even proposed a vote of NO confidence against Gorbachev. It was defeated 11-hundred-28 to 426.

Authorities in Iran report that at least 20 people have been injured after an earthquake rolled through mountains some 460 miles south of Tehran. A Tehran radio broadcast monitored in Athens reports five villages cut off from the outside after landslides blocked major roads in the region. A total of 15 tremors were reported in the area overnight.

Something happened in the skies over parts of the Great Lakes overnight, but it apparently was NOT linked to any seismic activity. There was a small earthquake, measuring three on the open-ended Richter scale, about 12 miles north of Lafayette, Indiana, at the start of the day. It left cracks in a number of ceilings but there are NO reports of either serious injury or major damages. The quake is NOT believed to have any connection with what happened later. Police from Erie, Pennsylvania, to the suburbs around Chicago received telephone calls from worried residents who heard a sonic-boom-like noise. Authorities are checking to see if military aircraft might have been responsible.

Prosecutors return to court in New York City today in an effort to keep reputed mob kingpin John Gotti in jail until he is tried on racketeering and murder charges. The prosecutors are planning to use taped phone conversations in their bid to keep Gotti locked up. An attorney in Gotti's defense attorney's office says the lawyers spent the weekend reviewing the contents of the recordings.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) UPI - Without additional cash infusions, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. will not have enough money to cover the many bank failures that are expected to occur over the next three years, a report to Congress said.

The report prepared for a House Banking subcommittee urged that federal regulators take more aggressive steps in trying to salvage weak banks and require many of the banks to suspend dividend payments to shareholders.

FDIC Chairman William Seidman, who is scheduled to testify before the subcommittee Monday, said last week that the bank insurance fund, which is expected to lose $4 billion this year, will have enough money to cover anticipated bank losses.

''Definitely, right now, we're not running out of money,'' Seidman said. ''I think we can handle what we see ahead.''

Seidman added, however, that Congress should work out a plan to strengthen the bank insurance fund with increased payments from banks. He stressed that the funds are not needed now and should not come from taxpayers.

However, the report prepared for the banking subcommittee painted a bleaker picture of the situation.

''The U.S. banking industry is in serious trouble and so is the federal insurance fund that helps support it,'' said a summary of the report prepared

by three economists, James Barth of Auburn University; Dan Brumbaugh, formerly of Stanford University; and Robert Litan of the Brookings Institution.

The report warned that the Treasury, and ultimately the taxpayers, may have to foot the bill for widespread bank failures if the insurance fund proves inadequate.

The report projected that without additional income, the bank insurance fund will have ''at most'' $29 billion to $32 billion over the next three years. But in ''a mild recession,'' bank failures are conservatively estimated to cost the fund between $31 billion and $43 billion over the next three years.

The summary compared the banking problem to that of the thrift industry. ''There is very good evidence that the BIF is in the same position as the FSLIC was in the mid-1980's - without sufficient resources to pay for its expected caseload of failed depositories.''

Rep. Frank Annunzio, D-Ill., chairman of the banking subcommittee, said the report ''shows that the BIF is unlikely to be able to pay for bank failures over the next three years, and is likely to go between $2 billion and $11 billion into the red.''

Annunzio said that because of the condition of the insurance fund bank regulators ''are already practicing forebearance, particularly toward weak large banks.''

He said the FDIC ''and the banking industry must now acknowledge that the BIF must be returned to a sound footing.''

The report said bank regulators ''should be more aggressive in promoting mergers between troubled banks and healthier partners,'' but the authors noted that current banking laws ''severely limit the pool of potential acquirers to healthy banks, of which there are just a few with sufficient capital to absorb any of the major troubled institutions.''

''It is for this reason that the Congress should seriously consider permitting non-banks, including non-financial companies, to acquire banks under the appropriate safeguards,'' they said.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 17) UPI - U.S. domestic drilling slipped slightly last week along with a decline in drilling activity in the Gulf of Mexico, energy surveys showed Monday.

The U.S. rig count fell from 1,179 to 1,151 last week, compared to 1, 079 at the same time last year, Baker Hughes Inc. said.

Drilling activity in the Gulf of Mexico also decreased last week, with 146 mobile offshore rigs of the 210-rig fleet working, Offshore Data Services said. That was three fewer rigs working in the Gulf than the week before.

The utilization rate declined to 69.5 percent.

In European waters and the Mediterranean Sea, the number of rigs working dropped by one from the previous week. With 126 rigs of the 138- rig fleet working, the utilization rate dropped to 91.3 percent.

Worldwide activity also decreased Offshore Data Services reported 552 rigs under contract of a worldwide fleet of 667. That is a decrease of one rig, and a 0.4 percent drop in the utilization rate to 82.8 percent.

Other relevant rig counts included Louisiana, 154 last week, 151 the week before and 170 the same week a year ago; New Mexico, 74, 65 and 50; Oklahoma, 136, 147 and 147; Texas 425, 432 and 349 and Canada 205, 187 and 175.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $377.10, silver base of $3.96 and platinum price of $415.90:

	Monday	Friday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$387.90	387.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	199.10	199.10
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	102.20	102.20
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.30	42.30
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	387.90	387.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	199.10	199.10
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	102.70	102.70
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.30	42.30
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	394.10	394.10
China Panda .50 troy oz.	203.10	203.10
China Panda .25 troy oz.	105.30	105.30
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	45.50	45.50
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.20	27.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	386.30	386.30
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	198.60	198.60
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	85.30	85.30
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.20	44.20
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	386.50	386.50
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	200.20	200.20

Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	102.70	102.70
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	43.80	43.80
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	386.70	386.70
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	198.90	198.90
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	85.40	85.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	44.20	44.20
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.60	23.60
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.38	$5.38
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,090	$3,090
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,325	$1,325
Platinum		
Australian Koala	432.00	432.00
Isle of Man Noble	429.00	429.00
Canada Maple Leaf	440.00	440.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Central Hudson G&E	Q	.46	2-1	1-10
Crestar Fincl Corp	Q	.33	1-30	1-10
Dekalb Energy	Q	.08	1-11	12-18
Eastover Corp	Q	.25	1-30	1-4
Ist Amer Fincl	Q	.10	1-15	12-28
General Cinema	Q	.12	1-31	1-14
Holly Corp	Q	.12	1-11	12-29
Indiana Bnchrs	Q	.12	1-11	12-26
Parkway Co	Q	.20	2-20	2-8
Selecterm Inc	Q	.07 1/2	1-1	12-23

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-annual

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 69.50-71.25 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 116.625-118.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 35.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $185.00-$195.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $416.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $417.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $104.00-$108.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 275.00 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (DEC. 17) UPI - Iraq must withdraw completely from Kuwait because there can be no ''partial solutions'' to the Persian Gulf crisis, NATO foreign ministers said Monday in a strongly worded statement.

''We condemn Iraq's persistent contempt for the resolutions of the United Nations Security Council,'' the NATO foreign ministers said on the first day of a two-day meeting.

''Complete Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the restoration of the sovereignty and legitimate government of Kuwait are unequivocal conditions for a peaceful solution. There can be no partial solutions,'' the NATO statement said.

The timing of the statement was unusual. There is normally no public document on the opening day of two-day meetings by NATO foreign ministers, only a final communique on the closing day.

The foreign ministers endorsed proposed high-level U.S.-Iraqi meetings, but said ''Iraq must not use these initiatives to delay meeting the Jan. 15'' deadline set by U.N. Resolution 678 for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

Two proposed meetings - between Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and President Bush in Washington, and between U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad - have been stymied in a dispute over dates.

The Washington meeting was supposed to have taken place on Monday, but was postponed. The United States wants the Baghdad meeting to be held before Jan. 3, while Iraq insists on Jan. 12. The United States says Jan. 12 is too close to the U.N.-imposed deadline, though Baker said ''we hope something could be arranged.''

On Tuesday, foreign ministers of the 12-nation European Community will debate whether to hold a meeting with Aziz even if the Iraqi foreign minister does not visit Washington.

Earlier this month, EC foreign ministers approved a meeting in Rome between Aziz and the Italian foreign minister, Gianni De Michelis, to be held on the Iraqi official's way home from Washington after meeting with Bush. Italy holds the rotating EC presidency.

''We have to reconsider our former decision,'' said De Michelis, ''because now we don't know if there will be a visit to Washington.''

The 16 NATO foreign ministers appeared to endorse, in advance of Tuesday's EC decision, a meeting between the Italian and Iraqi foreign ministers.

''We are confident that a contact between the presidency of the European Community and the foreign minister of Iraq, among other initiatives, can make a contribution'' to implementation of U.N. Resolution 678, the NATO statement said.

The NATO foreign ministers said the gulf crisis ''poses a potential threat''

to Turkey, a NATO country, because of its shared border with Iraq.

''We reaffirm our determination to fulfill the commitments (of NATO's charter) whereby an attack against one of our states shall be considered an attack against them all,'' the statement said.

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#90351u1129 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 17) UPI - President Bush says Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is- quoting here- ''as wrong as he can be'' if he thinks the United States is NOT serious about insisting that all Iraqi troops be out of Kuwait by January 15th. Bush told reporters at the White House this morning that Saddam is misinterpreting the U-S debate over Persian Gulf policy. Bush also said he still hope high-level U-S-Iraq talks will take place, though there still is NO agreement on dates for the meetings.

In Baghdad, the official Iraq News Agency is quoting a Palestinian terror group leader as saying that American and Western targets around the world have been picked for attack of the U-S-led force in Saudi Arabia attacks Iraq. The report quotes terrorist chieftain Abu Abbas as saying that American facilities around the world have been targeted.

Soviet President Gorbachev has formally opened a 10-day Congress of People's Deputies by telling its delegates that the Soviet Union faces what he calls a ''very grave'' crisis. Gorbachev is battling the growing independence trends in a number of Soviet republics that threaten to shake the country apart. And he is calling for a popular vote on a his proposed new ''Union Treaty.'' It sets up a federation of 15 republics to replace the 1922 treaty that formed the Soviet Union.

It may be some time before final election results are available from Haiti. The polls are closed following yesterday's balloting, which was marred by delays in opening voting stations and shortages of ballots. Preliminary results may be ready later today, with official results possible by Wednesday or Thursday. Roman Catholic priest Father Jean- Bertrand Aristide was considered a front-runner in balloting that also will elect a two-chamber National Assembly and fill hundreds of local government posts.

A slight earthquake shook residents of central Indiana but caused NO major damage or injuries early today. But widespread reports of an after-shock in the Chicago area and in northwest Indiana proved wrong. A loud noise that rocked the area has been traced to a powerful steam explosion at the Inland Steel Indiana Harbor Works at East Chicago. A train car derailed, spilling a ladle of molten steel into a sludge pit that contained standing water. The resulting concussion and flying debris broke windows and did other damage to nearby mill buildings, but caused NO reported injuries.

The issue of women as priests in the Roman Catholic church is gaining more support from both lay people and from priests. The magazine U-S Catholic is out with results of a poll in the forthcoming January issue that shows more than three-fourths of the lay people saying women should become priests. And 59 percent of the priests agree. That's up from 48 percent of the priests in a 1975 survey.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - mixed.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 93-95; large 90- 93 and mediums 80-83.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 17) UPI - Alaska Airlines, which recently won federal government approval to operate the first scheduled commercial passenger service between the Soviet Union and the U.S. West Coast, Monday announced its plans for the new route.

Alaska said it will begin service June 17 between Anchorage and two cities in the Soviet Far East - Magadan and Khabarovsk. Three round trip flights per week will be offered through the summer, with round-trip fares running about $1,100 and up, and the carrier will be offering package tours.

Magadan, a city of 150,000 on the Sea of Okhotsk, is about 2,000 miles southwest of Anchorage. A closed city for decades, Magadan was the gateway to some of Stalin's infamous labor camps. Today it is an administrative center and major port serving the northern region of the Soviet Far East.

Khabarovsk, a major commercial center and river port, is another 1, 000 miles south of Magadan, near the Chinese border. The city is a popular destination for tourists from China, Japan, North Korea and other parts of the Orient.

The U.S. Department of Transportation awarded Alaska the route Nov. 8. It was one of four new passenger routes established with the new U.S. -Soviet. bilateral air service agreement. Alaska is the only carrier planning a route over the Pacific.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) UPI - The American Federation of Government Employees said Monday it has filed suit to block implementation of a federal ethics law it charged would violate workers' First and Fith Amendment rights.

The suit was filed in U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia and seeks a preliminary injunction to halt the new law from going into effect on Jan. 1, 1991.

Under the terms of the law, all government employees - along with members of Congress - would be barred from receiving payment for speeches, articles or appearances at functions.

The law is so broadly written, according to critics, that, for example, a government employee in the Department of Housing and Urban Development who writes a gardening column for a magazine would be prohibited from receiving pay for it.

''It is unconscionable to allow a mistake in the law to deprive government employees of the right to earn extra money writing or publishing material or giving speeches to outside organizations when they are off duty,'' said John Sturdivant, union president.

''Any government employee who has a special talent unrelated to his or her job who wants to earn extra money writing or telling others about it, should be free to do so without threat of prosecution,'' Sturdivant argued.

The suit asks the court to declare that part of the law - passed in 1989 - which pertains to government workers to be unconstitutional and to bar the Justice Department from prosecuting employees who engage in such off-duty, fee-paid activities.

Sturdivant said the blanket prohibition was a ''fluke'' and apparently an inadvertant mistake.

The union, he said, is seeking congressional support for legislation that will repeal the particular section of the wide-ranging ethics law so that government wokrers ''will be able to continue such outside projects without fear of prosecution.''

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CHICAGO (DEC. 17) UPI - A non-scietific yet significant survey indicates Roman Catholic priests are becoming more willing to accept the ordination of women.

The magazine U.S. Catholic sent 1,300 readers an article by Gregory F. Augustine Pierce, a syndicated columnist and Catholic writer, in which he advocated the ordination of women.

The magazine asked readers to comment on the article and the results were published in the magazine's January issue, released Monday.

Roman Catholicism has long held that only celibate males can be ordained to the priesthood and Pope John Paul II has adamantly upheld that tradition despite a large drop in the number of vocations to the priesthood in recent decades in the United States and other Western nations.

The Catholic tradition is based on the belief that only celibate males can properly ''image'' Jesus Christ in worship activities, although virtually all major Protestant denominations now ordain women.

In the U.S. Catholic poll, 69 percent of the respondents were laywomen, 23 percent laymen and 8 percent clergy. Of the three groups, the biggest increase in support came from priests.

The study said 59 percent of the priests said women should be ordained, compared with 48 percent in a 1975 survey.

More than three-fourths of the laypeople said they would welcome a female priest to their parishes. Women are more likely to attend a mass celebrated by a female priest but 78 percent of the men said they would not object to a female priest.

Even though 61 percent of the respondents support the ordination of women, the majority said it is unlikely they will see a female Catholic priest in their lifetime.

Pierce said that while the attitudes of many Catholics have changed, the church hierarchy continues to promote a male-only priesthood.

''What they end up promoting is discrimination against women,'' he said. ''To bar someone from the priesthood purely and solely on the basis of sex refutes church teachings that all people are equal before God.''

Deacon Paul Carlson of Minneapolis said the first step in solving the problem is to ordain women into the diaconate. And Stephanie Thomas of Rye, N.H., said a modest but meaningful beginning would be the requirement of inclusive language in church worship.

But William Gardner, of Ashland, Ala., said ordaining women would be a mistake that could lead to fewer nuns. Gardner said the best way to relieve the shortage of priests would be to allow married men to become priests.

The U.S. hierarchy recently abandoned plans for a pastoral statement on women's concerns that called on the church to work to end ''the sin of sexism'' both in secular and religious institutions, but the most recent draft also strongly reiterated the church's teaching against women's ordination.

In early December, 1,748 Catholics signed an advertisement appearing in the National Catholic Reporter that called for an end to sexism in the church and urged ''serious dialogue'' on issues ranging from sexuality and reproduction to decision-making powers and women's ordination.

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BONN, Germany (DEC. 17) UPI - Former East German Premier Lothar de Maiziere resigned Monday as minister without portfolio in the German federal government following claims he had been an informer for East Germany's communist state security police.

De Maiziere said he will also give up his positions as vice-chairman of Chancellor Helmut Kohl's conservative Christian Democratic Union and leader of the CDU in the eastern state of Brandenburg.

Announcing his resignation at a news conference, he again rejected the contentions he had acted for the police agency - known as Stasi - under the code name ''Czerny''.

De Maiziere, East Germany's last prime minister, made the announcement after meeting Monday with Interior Minister Wolfgang Schaeuble and Joachim Gauck, the government official in charge of evaluating Stasi documents.

In a statement read by Schaeuble, Kohl said: ''Lothar de Maiziere has earned my complete trust and I have no reason to doubt him.''

De Maiziere, who worked as an attorney before heading the East German government, said he did not know whether the once-powerful Stasi kept a file on him.

''My contact with the Stasi was limited to attempts to help clients. I accepted no money and signed no statement committing myself,'' he said.

''I will resign from my post as minister for special assignments, and will not be available for a Cabinet post in the new government,'' he said.

Kohl is to form a new government early next year, following the victory of his center-right coalition in Dec. 2 all-German elections.

''The evidence in the files which could connect de Maiziere to Czerny is not clear enough,'' said Schaeuble.

German media recently published statements by a former Stasi major, Edgar Hasse, who alleged that since 1982, de Maiziere had reported to the agency about church activities in East Germany and about his contacts with West German officials.

The Stasi was disbanded after the collapse of East Germany's communist government in fall 1989. Documents released recently showed that 85,000 people worked as full-time employees of the organization and as many as 300,000 people acted as informers - about one in 30 East Germans.

De Maiziere led the conservative CDU to victory in East Germany's first free elections, March 18 and became the first non-communist leader in the country's 40-year history.

Upon the Oct. 3 unification of Germany, he joined Kohl's Cabinet as a minister without portfolio, or specific assignment.

The soft-spoken lawyer had been thrust almost against his will into the political limelight, often blinking in embarrassment when cameras flashed.

He joined the CDU in 1956, but did not play a center-stage role until late 1989, when the party started distancing itself from the communists it had been allied with for the past four decades.

''I am a politician by duty rather than by calling,'' he once said.

Born March 2, 1940, de Maiziere studied music when younger and played the viola in various orchestras for 15 years.

He qualified as an attorney following a correspondence course at East Berlin's Humboldt University. In 1986 he was appointed vice-president of East Germany's Federation of Protestant Churches.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 17) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 86-89; large 82-88; medium 73-79.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - A screaming mother holding her 4-month-old baby above the flames in their burning Brooklyn apartment Monday was spotted by a brother and sister who held out a coat on the sidewalk below like a safety net and caught the infant.

''They said it was like catching a softball,'' said Fire Department spokesman Charles Crowley, who estimated the baby dropped about 35 feet.

The mother was overcome by smoke, and moments later, Fireman Chris Gaffney went up on a tower ladder through flames roaring from the burning, third-floor apartment, climbed into the window of the fourth floor apartment and brought the unconscious woman to safety.

The mother, identified as Susan Seymore, was reported badly burned from leaning out the window into the flames, but the infant appeared to be only slightly injured.

Both mother and baby were taken to Methodist Hospital where their conditions were not immediately known.

The intense blaze in the four-story building in Park Slope was reported about 7:30 a.m., and apparently originated in an empty third- floor apartment, Crowley said.

He said Bruce and Karen Pane, a brother and sister apparently on their way to work, were driving by when they spotted Seymore leaning from her apartment window as flames roared below her, screaming for someone to save her baby.

''They took Karen's coat and caught the baby,'' he said. ''She said it was like catching a softball.''

Both Panes left right after their dramatic rescue and could not be immediately contacted.

Gafney went up to rescue the women even before hoses were turned on, the bucket on his tower ladder passing through the licking flames.

''He climbed into the window, searched thorugh the smoke and found her and got her into the tower ladder bucket and brought her down to the street,'' Crowley said.

Another fireman, Patrick Clifford, tried to reach the fourth-floor apartment by way of the stairs and was burned on the back of his neck by hot tar dripping the roof, Crowley said. He was taken to the Cornell Burn Center at New York Hospital where his condition was reported not serious. The fire was

brought under control about 8 a.m. Its cause was under investigation, Crowley said.

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JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (DEC. 17) UPI - P-I-E International, the national trucking company that filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in October, said Monday it will cease operations Dec. 29 and lay off an additional 3,000 employees.

The company, which employed about 7,800 workers nationwide at the time of its bankruptcy filing, laid off 2,000 of its remaining 5,000 employees last week, said P-I-E Senior Vice President W.R. Tickle.

The remaining 3,000 employees will be dismissed as freight traffic slows, he said. ''They will be laid off. It is a volume-driven situation,'' he said.

P-I-E, a unit of Olympia Holding Corp. of Miami, said a bankruptcy trustee will be appointed, effective Dec. 29, to oversee the company's liquidation.

''We appreciate the support of the thousands of employees and customers who made Herculean efforts to keep the company going. However, the current economy fuel prices and adverse publicity associated with our Chapter 11 filing prevented us from continuing operations,'' President Gerry McIntyre said in a statement.

The company also said Monday it has reached an agreement to sell its business to Intermodal Transportation Services Inc. of Downer's Grove, Ill. Tickle said he did not know the terms of the deal, which is subject to court approval.

''That (the sale) is a possibility,'' Tickle said. Intermodal may continue some of the services offered by P-I-E, the company said. The liquidatin of P-I-E is expected to go forward as expected, however.

''That (the sale) has nothing to do with the shutdown,'' Tickle said.

Tickle said the sale agreement will be submitted to the bankruptcy court in Jacksonville for approval within the next several weeks.

On Saturday, the bankruptcy court authorized cash collateral to begin financing the termination and eventual liquidation of P-I-E's business, the company said.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 17) UPI - Hundreds of police prohibited Palestinians from

entering Jerusalem and patrolled the walled Old City Monday when a tiny fringe Jewish movement commemorated Hanukkah with calls for the removal of Moslem control over the Temple Mount.

In an effort to prevent violence, police set up roadblocks at the entrance to Jerusalem and turned back Palestinians from the occupied territories. Police Minister Roni Milo also barred Arab youths and members of the Temple Mount Faithful from entering the Temple Mount complex.

No confrontations occurred between Palestinians and Israelis Monday in Jerusalem amid the heavy police presence. But authorities arrested and then released on bail four members of the ultra right-wing Kach movement of slain American-born Rabbi Meir Kahane when they tried to enter the Temple Mount complex.

Police sought to avoid a replay of the violence that erupted on the Temple Mount complex Oct. 8 when Israeli police killed at least 17 Palestinians. Thousands of Moslems had gathered at the complex, known in Arabic as Haram esh Sharif, believing the Temple Mount Faithful would attempt to lay a cornerstone for the third Jewish Temple.

''We want to expel the foreigners from the Temple Mount where they fortified themselves and which they turned into a kind of PLO state of violence and hate and struggle against the state of Israel,'' Gershon Salomon, Temple Mount Faithful leader, said Monday in the Western Wall plaza outside the complex.

''(We want) to turn it again into the national and religious center of the people of Israel,'' said Salomon, surrounded by a handful of Jewish teenagers, waving Israeli flags. ''Until then ... the Temple Mount will continue to shake the entire world.''

The Islamic Fundamentalist Movement, Hamas, called on Palestinians to come to Jerusalem Monday to protect the Al Aqsa Mosque on the Haram esh Sharif, in response to the Temple Mount Faithful's actions. Similar calls by Moslem religious leaders more than two months ago brought out thousands of Palestinians Oct. 8.

The Jewish group never entered the Temple Mount complex in October, but Israeli police opened fire on the Palestinians during violence that broke out. The slayings sparked fierce international condemnation against Israel and a series of stabbing attacks by Arabs against Jews.

Police reinforced their presence in Jerusalem by deploying hundreds of security forces to the area. Members of the paramilitary Border Guard also were stationed at the gates to the walled Old City and searched Arabs entering the area.

In the front of the Western Wall, which abuts the Temple Mount complex,

Salomon compared his ideas with those of ancient Jews who rededicated the Jewish Temple in 165 B.C. after its desecration. The rededication is remembered during the eight-day Jewish festival of Hanukkah, which ends Tuesday night.

Surrounding Salomon were at least three times as many journalists as his supporters and more than 20 police vans were stationed in the plaza in front of the Western Wall. In lighting the festive Hanukkah lights during a short ceremony, Salomon vowed that before next year Jews would be in control of the Temple Mount.

Salomon's group maintains the Islamic control of the complex should be replaced by Jewish control and construction for the third Jewish Temple should begin. Many religious Jews who believe in a third Jewish Temple, reject Salomon's views, saying the holy site will not be man- made but come directly from the heavens.

Despite the official prohibition against Salomon's group to enter the complex, Salomon said he believed government leaders were behind him. Salomon said Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and other Israeli officials showed ''weakness'' by giving into international pressure to bar his group.

''I know very well what they feel inside in their hearts. We are messengers of the government of Israel. We are messengers of the Knesset (Israel's parliament) and all the people of Israel,'' Salomon said.

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#90351u1273 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

PUNTARENAS, Costa Rica (DEC. 17) UPI - Central American presidents called on Salvadoran rebels Monday to return to the negotiating table and end their latest military offensive that has left about 300 people dead in less than a month.

The heads of state of five Central American countries, winding up their ninth summit in the Pacific resort town of Puntarenas, about 70 miles west of San Jose, also urged governments and people around the world to convince Salvadoran rebels of ''the absolute need'' to negotiate a peaceful solution to the country's decade-old civil war.

In a joint statement, Presidents Rafael Angel Calderon of Costa Rica, Alfredo Cristiani of El Salvador, Vinicio Cerezo of Guatemala, Rafael Leonardo Callejas of Honduras and Violeta Chamorro of Nicaragua, said rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, should take advantage of the willingness of the Salvadoran government to negotiate.

Panamanian President Guillermo Endara is attending the summit as an observer.

The Salvadoran civil war has claimed more than 72,000 lives, mostly civilians.

Rebel leaders say they launched a new offensive Nov. 20 to force Cristiani's government to restructure the military. The FMLN says talks have failed to achieve reforms in the country's powerful armed forces.

The presidents also agreed to support regional solutions to the conflict, and said they would call on the international community for help.

On Sunday, they invited Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to visit the region hoping his presence would help rebels decide to give up armed resistance.

Chamorro is expected to discuss the visit during her February meeting with the Soviet leader in Moscow.

The latest Central American summit, which began Saturday, has also addressed the region's $20 billion foreign debt problem, economic opening and the environment.

The joint statement said the presidents would ''try to integrate the region into the world economy through trade liberalization policies.''

It also said policies regulating trade in agricultural products would have to be brought under a regional standard to ''guarantee the supply of food in Central America.''

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CAIRO, EGYPT (DEC. 17) UPI - Saddam Hussein appears to be losing the battle to portray himself as a champion of Islam, despite the recent appointment of a Shiite Moslem defense minister.

After ordering his tanks into Kuwait four months ago, the Iraqi leader made an appeal for support on the basis of Islamic values and concern for Islam's two most sacred sites, which are situated in Saudi Arabia.

Reports in some Arab newspapers said the appeal was going so badly, the Iraqi leader last week appointed as defense minister Shiite Moslem Gen. Saadi Toamma Abbas. This was apparently done to appease the Shiite majority of his own country as well as neighboring Shiite theocracy Iran. Iraq is ruled by a Sunni Moslem minority.

Islamic leaders in neighboring Arab countries and the wider Moslem world have failed to respond to the Iraqi leader's call for a Jihad, or holy war, against the West.

Even Shiite Moslem fundamentalists in Iran, which from 1980 to 1988 warred

with Iraq, have shown no inclination to support Saddam's cause on religious grounds, though the Iranians have condemned the presence of non-Moslem troops in the gulf region.

''The secular and repressive nature of Saddam's Baathist regime is proof that the Iraqi leader is the last person entitled to call for a Jihad,'' said a recent commentary on Cairo Radio.

Egyptian and other Arab secular intellectuals point out that Islamic principles have never determined Saddam's foreign policy in the past. Islamic leaders in fact perceive his attempt to use Islam to justify the invasion of one Moslem Arab state by another as a flagrant breach of Islamic values.

In strict Islamic terms, Saddam as a secular leader is not entitled to call for a Jihad. Only an Alim or senior Moslem figure has the authority to do so.

And the founders of the Baath party - which Saddam subscribes to - were a Christian, Michel Aflaq, and a secularist, Salah ed Din Bitar.

That is not to say that Saddam has not tried in the past to exploit Islam for his own political ends. During the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war, for instance, Saddam defended himself against Iranian accusations of atheism by making well-publicized visits to Shiite shrines at Najaf and Kerbala, using more Islamic terminology and symbolism in his speeches and building more mosques.

But Saddam's own lifestyle contrasts sharply with Islamic tenets, according to Egyptian newspapers.

The papers say he drinks, enjoys expensive Western suits and cars, and, though married for 30 years, has a long-term relationship with the former wife of the chairman of Iraqi Airways.

In addition, the Baathist regime's lack of legitimacy has pushed Saddam into a cult of personality and purges that have also included Moslem clerics. Saddam ordered the execution in May 1980 of leading Iraqi Shiite cleric Mohammed Baqir Sadr and members of his family for alleged involvement in anti-government activity.

A number of conservative Islamic thinkers have condemned Saddam for filling Iraqi mosques with posters and pictures of himself, pointing out that Islam forbids images in mosques.

But perhaps Saddam's most spectacular failure has been his inability to convince even his most ardent supporters of his claim to be descended from the prophet Mohammad, the founder of Islam.

''His supporters in Iraq are unlikely to admit it, but Saddam's claim to be a lineal descendant of the Prophet and of Ali, the fourth Caliph, and also that

he is related to the former Hashemite royal family of Iraq, is not taken very seriously,'' said one Cairo-based Iraqi dissident.

In addition to claiming descent from the prophet Mohammad, Saddam has also identified himself with Iraq's pre-Islamic and pagan rulers and is having the ruins of Babylon rebuilt at great expense, with every fourth brick inscribed with his name.

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LONDON (DEC. 17) UPI - Stock prices closed lower in lackluster trading Monday on the London International Stock Exchange driven down by a gloomy survey's trend by the Confederation of British Industry and belligerent signals from Iraq.

Stocks also eased in Frankfurt and Paris in relatively thin trading.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which slipped 3.8 points Friday, fell 10.5 points to 2,157.9. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 11.0 points to 1,690.2.

Volume amounted to about 334 million shares compared with 540 million shares changing hands Friday.

Analysts said stocks eased following a report by the Confederation of British Industry showing its December survey of domestic industrial activity confirmed market suspicions that the United Kingdom economy was in a recession.

The CBI surveys trend showed British manufacturing output would fall well into next year, another sign of a deepening recession in Britain.

More companies out of the 1,361 included in the survey said they predicted a downturn in production, along with expected falls in internal and export orders, than at any time in the past 10 years, the report said.

Additionally analysts said stocks eased on comment's from Iraq that it intended to hold onto Kuwait raised the specter again of a Gulf war next year, keeping dealers away from trades.

Higher oil prices also pressured stocks, market watchers said.

On the trading floor, North Sea drillers London Scottish & Marine Oil gained 14 cents to $7.60 and Shell added 3 cents to $8.50.

In a weak banking sector, Barclays fell 25 cents to $6.63 and National Westminister lost 25 cents to $5.11. Analysts said banking stocks eased on downgradings in the face of a credit crunch.

Recession worries also hit the retailing sector. Boots, the pharmaceutical and confectionary chain, fall 14 cents to $6.13 and Ratners, the jewelry chain, lost 12 cents to $3.40.

British Telecom basked in talks of a planned telecommunications network with IBM, added 6 cents to $5.51.

In Frankfurt, stock prices on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange slipped in calm trading.

The closely watched German DAX Stock Index lost 46.53 points to 1, 475.87.

Traders said trading was dominated by the market's inability to support the DAX index above the psychologically significant 1,520-point level.

Meanwhile, in Paris, stocks closed lower in light trading on the Paris Bourse as jitters over the Persian Gulf crisis coupled with worries over the French economy to send the Paris CAC-40 Index down 1.79 percent to 1,606.23.

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#90351u1325 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 17) UPI - University of Tennessee President Lamar Alexander has been tapped as the next Education Secretary by President Bush. The nomination goes next to the Senate for confirmation. The 50-year-old Alexander served twice as Tennessee governor, receiving considerable national attention for pushing through a merit pay plan for Tennessee teachers. Senate confirmation would have Alexander step in for Education Secretary Laury Cavazos who resigned last week.

The NATO foreign ministers say Iraq must withdraw completely from Kuwait because there can be NO ''partial solution'' to the Persian Gulf crisis. The NATO foreign ministers issued the statement on the first day of a two-meeting in Brussels, Belgium. The statement condemned what it termed ''Iraq's persistent contempt for the resolutions of the United Nations Security Council.'' It says the complete withdrawal from Kuwait and restoration of the Kuwaiti government are what it calls ''unequivocal conditions'' for peace.

President Bush told reporters that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is ''as wrong as he can be'' if they thinks the United States is NOT serious about getting Iraqi troops out of Kuwait. Bush also said he still hopes for high-level talks with Iraq on the Persian Gulf crisis but says he sees NO signs of flexibility in the Iraqi posture.

Hundreds of Israeli police barred Palestinians from entering Jerusalem today and patrolled the walled Old City. A tiny, fringe Jewish movement is commemorating Hanukkah with calls for the removal of Moslem control of the

Temple Mount. Police are trying to prevent violence in the area. Police arrested four members of the militant ultra-right-wing Kach movement when they attempted to enter the Temple Mount complex.

Reputed New York mob boss John Gotti is going to have to stay in jail at least until Friday. That's the date set by a federal judge for a bail hearing for Gotti, charged with two co-defendants in the death of the mob boss he replaced Paul Castellano. The government is trying to keep Gotti in jail until his trial. It says it has electronic eavesdropping tapes that show Gotti is a menace to the community.

Capitalism has really hit the Soviet space program. A Houston firm says it has contracted to fly the winner of a national sweepstakes aboard a Soviet Soyuz spacecraft some time in late 1992 or early 1993. The Space Travel Services Corporation... describing itself as a ''group of space enthusiasts''... is setting up a special 900 number telephone system that will let anyone call and enter in the chance to fly in the Soviet spacecraft. The caller will be billed two dollars 99 cents for each telephone call made.

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#90351u1344 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

LAKE ARROWHEAD, Calif. (DEC. 17) UPI - A small earthquake shook the Lake Arrowhead area Monday, but caused no damage or injuries, authorities said.

The quake, measuring 3.5, hit at 9:44 a.m. and was centered 16 miles northeast of San Bernardino in the moutainous area that surrounds the lake, said Robert Finn, spokesman for Caltech Seismology Laboratory.

Residents reporting some rattling, but no damage.

''We heard it more than felt it,'' said Craig Leach, who works at the Lake Arrowhead Post Office. ''It was a little rumble that rattled our sorters.''

Finn said the quake did not appear related to any other shaker.

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#90351u1357 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

TIMISOARA, ROMANIA (DEC. 17) UPI - Prime Minister Petre Roman stood firm Monday as calls echoed for the resignation of his government, vowing he ''will not budge'' as Romanians protest for democracy a year after their nation's bloody revolt.

Several thousand people demonstrated in Timisoara and the capital Bucharest Sunday, calling for the resignation of Roman, President Ion Iliescu and the government.

The all-day demonstrations marked the anniversary of the revolution last December that toppled the regime of Communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu and resulted in his Christmas Day execution.

The revolution was sparked by the arrest of ethnic Hungarian priest the Rev. Laszlo Tokes, who joined protesters Sunday. The official Romanian news agency Rompres quoted the dissident pastor as saying the nation needs a ''continuing revolution.''

''I don't mean a popular revolt or a blood revolution,'' he was quoted as saying. ''To me, as a bishop, the revolution means a change of mentality, of the spirit, of social structures.''

Many Romanians are unhappy with the current government because of continuing economic hardship and fear that there are former Communists in the administration.

Protesters are calling for democracy and say they want a government of national unity established. One cry that came from the marching protesters was ''Bucharest, join us to get rid of communism.''

Roman said he will not be moved from his post.

''I will not budge. Unreasonable noise, ambition for power, will not budge me '' Roman said in a Sunday evening address televised to the nation.

In Bucharest, scuffles between riot police and street demonstrators wore on late into the night. Protesters grabbed stones from a pile ready for the construction of a momument to the heroes of the revolution and hurled them at police. There were no reports of injuries.

''The owl (a symbol of death) is hooting in Cotroceni (Iliescu's palace),'' cried the peaceful demonstrators in Timisoara.

The prime minister appeared on television at 9 p.m. in an apparently impromptu address, after an hour of coverage of the Timisoara demonstrations.

''I love my country with its land and people and that is because from the moment I opened my eyes under this sky it was ingrained in my soul,'' said a haggard-looking Roman.

He listed economic achievements of his government in the past year, noting the opening of a $700 million credit line from Western governments last week. And he spoke of the importance of replacing old managers. Last week he suggested there would be sweeping changes in his government but he would not immediately make changes public, he told journalists.

Official figures say 1,033 people died in the revolution last year from Dec.

16 to 25, including 97 in Timisoara.

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#90351u1367 12/17/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 17) UPI - American Telephone and Telegraph Co. launched a battle for control of NCR Corp.'s board of directors Monday, seeking to remove obstacles to its $6.1 billion hostile takeover, while NCR took its case to shareholders with newspaper ads proclaiming: "AT&T - The WRONG Choice."

AT&T Monday filed proxy solicitation materials with the Securities and Exchange Commission in Washington in its campaign to replace NCR directors. The company could not disclose the specific content of the solicitation pending SEC review, but a spokesman said, "It will clearly be a request for them to call a special meeting and to vote in a least a majority of new diretors and to approve a resolution director the board to negotiate with us and remove impediments to a merger."

Specifically, AT&T is seeking to dismantle NCR's poison pill anti-takeover defense. But Dayton, Ohio-based NCR, in a statement released Monday, said AT&T's threatened proxy fight does not change NCR's position opposing the buyout.

"Our board met Thursday, Dec. 13, and after considering AT&T's offer carefully and thoroughly, concluded that it is grossly inadequate and unfair to our shareholders," Chairman Charles E. Exley Jr. said. "We believe our shareholders will support us in our effort to protect their vital best interests," he said.

AT&T needs backing from holders of at least 25 percent of outstanding NCR stock to force a special meeting, and analysts believed they will easily achieve that goal.

But AT&T's anticipated attempt to oust all 13 members of the NCR board at the special meeting will need backing from owners of 80 percent of outstanding NCR stock, and analysts said the New York-based communications giant will have an uphill battle getting that kind of support.

Alternately, AT&T's proxy soliciation mounts a challenge to four NCR directors up for re-election at the company's annual meeting April 17. That would take backing of only a majority of outstanding shares.

But it would take AT&T 1 1/2 years to gain control that way, because it would need to defeat directors standing for re-election both in 1991 and 1992 to win a majority. AT&T's tender offer, however, noted the company was willing to wait as long as 18 months to complete a merger.

AT&T also has extended the expiration date of its $90 a share cash tender

offer to Jan. 15 from Jan. 4. The company said no shares had been tendered by the close of business Friday, but noted tender offer materials were only mailed during the middle of last week.

NCR, meanwhile, has been meeting with institutional investors, urging them to reject the AT&T bid. The first meeting was held Friday in New York and investment advisers said further meetings were scheduled this week.

In addition, NCR placed full-page ads in the Wall Street Journal and other major newspapers Monday urging rejection of the AT&T offer. "AT&T: The WRONG Choice," the ads proclaimed, noting the NCR board of directors has rejected the bid as "grossly inadequate.

"Now we'd like to be left alone so that we can continue to develop and deliver the leading-edge products and responsive support programs you have come to expect from us," the ad said. "Apparently, the folks at AT&T can't recognize a busy signal when they hear one," it said.

AT&T has contended NCR is a perfect partner for its computer business, because both companies focus on networking and open computer systems. But NCR has said past business combinations in the computer industry, such as Sperry-Burroughs and Groupe Bull-Zenith, have been ineffectual at best and that it does not want to be a dumping ground for AT&T's problem child - and the debt associated with the takeover.

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#90351u1388 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 17) UPI - The Chicago Cubs continued their bid to reclaim the National League East, signing reliever Dave Smith Monday to a 2-year contract estimated at $4 million.

Smith, 35, spent 11 seasons with Houston, compiling a 53-47 major league record. He has 199 career saves and a 2.53 ERA.

Smith is the third free agent signee for the Cubs, who won the NL East in 1989. Chicago also inked pitcher Danny Jackson to a 3-year, $10. 5 million contract, and acquired outfielder George Bell with a 3-year deal for $9.8 million, plus another option year at $3 million.

Smith is projected as a right-handed complement to Mitch Williams, whom the Cubs hope will return to his 1989 form when he saved 36 games.

In 1990 Smith was 6-6 with 23 saves and a 2.39 ERA. He struck out 50 in 60 1-3 innings, and opposing batters hit .210 against the right- hander.

Smith finished tied for fourth in the National League in saves, and seventh in games finished with 42. He converted 23 of 28 save opportunities.

''We've talked about stabilizing our late relief situation many times in the last couple of months,'' Cubs General Manager Jim Frey said. ''We needed a right-handed reliever to finish off games.

''Dave Smith is the type of player who has been very consistent over the years.His numbers and his record show consistency at a high level of performance. He should add the stability we've been looking for.''

The Cubs waived pitcher Randy Kramer to make room on the roster for Smith.

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#90351u1399 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Two leading banks, Chemical Bank and Manufacturers Hanover Trust, Monday were cited by the city's Consumer Affairs Department on charges of placing misleading newspaper advertisements.

The department also criticized Chase Manhattan, Bank of New York and Citibank for advertisements which it said "violate the spirit, if not the letter of the Consumer Protection Law's prohibition against deceptive advertising."

In its notice of violation, the department charged that Manufacturers Hanover's "Power Checking" advertisement appearing in New York City papers "tried to make one of the more expensive checking deals in the city look like one of the cheapest."

Commissioner Mark Green said the advertisement's headline promised no-fee checking with a $1,500 minimum balance. Many banks have lower minimum balance requirements for accounts, he said, and Power Checking "is not an interest-bearing checking account, like those offered by numerous banks with lower minimum-balance requirements." The citations can carry fines of $500 for each time the ads were carried in a newspaper.

The citation sent to Thomas Johnson, president of Manufacturers Hanover, said, "You failed to clearly and conspicuously disclose (in easily readable type point print), that after one year, the minimum balance requirement in connection with your "No-Fee Power Checking" reverts to the standard Power Checking balance requirements, as opposed to your claimed "low $1,500 minimum balance."

"Your claim of giving consumers '50 free premium checks' ... in connection with your 'No-Fee Power Checking' misleads consumers into believing they are getting special or fancy checks when in fact they are not," it said.

Chemical Bank was charged with misleading prospective customers with the advertisement headline, "Open a ChemPlus account and we'll invest $500 in you " with a picture of a bank executive handing the reader a $500 "reward

certificate."

"Your claim ... is misleading and deceptive in its exaggeration and ambiguity as to the material facts," said the citation addressed to Chemical President Robert Callander.

Green said the $500 involved adding a promise of up to $20 for the first deposit, the value of three months' free checking, waiving the annual credit card fee, and forefeiting the bank's attorney fee for home equity loans - which would benefit only a "very small portion of potential customers."

"Your claim that you will give a consumer $20 when a first deposit is made fails to disclose the material limitation that this only applies to deposits of at least $5,000," the citation said.

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#90351u1405 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) UPI - Yields were mixed on 13-week and 26-week T-bills Monday at the government's weekly auction.

The Treasury Department auctioned $10.01 billion of 13-week bills at an average discount of 6.78 percent, down from 6.86 percent last week and the lowest since July 18, 1988, when the auction yielded 6.76 percent.

The Treasury also sold $10.03 billion of 26-week bills at an average of 6.77 percent, up from 6.74 percent last week and the highest since Dec. 3, 1990, when the yield stood at 6.96 percent.

The investment rate was 6.99 percent on the 13-week bills at an average price of $9,826.60 per $10,000 face value. The rate on the 26-week bill was 7.11 percent at $9,657.70.

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#90351u1410 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (DEC. 17) UPI - Defense Minister Moshe Arens said Monday recent attacks by Arabs against Jews inside Israel were inspired by events in the Persian Gulf.

''Part, or maybe all of these murderers who appeared in our streets lately acted while being incited by the events in the gulf,'' Arens said referring to the recent fatal stabbings of three Jews near Tel Aviv.

Israeli police suspect two Moslem fundamentalists from the Israeli- occupied Gaza Strip in last week's slayings. The deaths prompted Israeli authorities to arrest hundreds of Palestinians and issue deportation orders against four members of the outlawed Islamic Fundamentalist Movement, known by its Arabic

acronym Hamas.

Answering recent calls for harsher measures against the 3-year-old Palestinian uprising, Arens said the uprising could not be ''liquidated'' by giving a simple military command such as ''take away the intifada.'' But the violence had to be dealt with in various ways, he said.

''Anybody who talks about transfer, expelling the Arabs from here, according to me, also talks in contradiction to values we believe in and also talks nonsense in terms of executing such a thing,'' Arens said.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, commenting on the deportation orders before Parliament's Defense and Foreign Committee, said Israel needed to choose the middle road between guarding the country's security and aiding the United States in its moves in the gulf.

The United States has condemned the deportations, ordered late Saturday, saying they violate the Fourth Geneva Convention that prohibits expulsion of residents from occupied territories.

Shamir said the U.S. position opposing deportations was not new, ''but we have to take into account the other factors of the situation.''

Israeli authorities also announced Monday that more than 12,000 Palestinians from the occupied territories have received special identification cards barring them from entering Israel. Many of the cards were issued after a series of stabbing attacks against Jews during the past two months.

Meanwhile, Hamas published its 68th leaflet in the occupied territories calling upon international organizations to protest the deportation orders.

For the second day in a row in a leaflet, the Islamic movement vowed to continue its holy war, or Jihad, against the Jewish state, Palestinian sources said. Israel Radio reported Hamas also called for suicide attacks.

''The decision by the enemy authorities to deport the four heroes ... is an agression against all international laws and human values,'' the leaflet said.

The leaflet called upon all international and human right organizations, including the United Nations and and its secretary- general to ''lift the unjustice.''

Hamas also promised all Palestinians that it would continue with its holy war ''until the liberation of all our soil, from the river to the sea.'' The movement also called upon its miltary wing to ''continue the Jihad operations in order to weaken the occupation.''

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#90351u1412 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (DEC. 17) UPI - A company that hopes to become the space travel agency of the future will conduct a nationwide sweepstakes for "The Ultimate Adventure" - a flight into space aboard a Soviet rocket and a week's stay in the Mir space station, it was announced said Monday.

Space Travel Services Corp. has contracted with the Soviet space agency for a seat aboard a Soyuz rocket in late 1992 or early 1993, officials said. The seat will be filled by one of millions of Americans expected to enter their name in the contest by making a $2.99 telephone call.

"We know that people want to go to space themselves, not just see other people go," said David Mayer, Space Travel Services president. "This sweepstakes makes an opportunity for that."

The "guest cosmonaut" will be selected at random in December 1991 by an independent judging organization. The winner may take the trip or $1.5 million cash, Mayer said. If the winner opts for the cash, a backup astronaut selected from a group of 20 would be offered the trip.

"We're contracted for a flight," Mayer said. "Our goal is to see the way people think about space flight change. We want people to see that space flight is for everybody. Somebody is going to go to space."

Prospective space travelers "need not be a test pilot or a scientist or a government official. The butcher, the baker, the candlestick maker are all eligible. It could be your neighbor. It could be you," the company said. However, residents of New York, Florida, and Rhode Island are ineligible because of restrictive local laws, organizers said.

Space Travel Services will pay expenses for the "guest cosmonaut" and will provide pre-flight training, which could take as long as six months and will include Russian lessons and physical conditioning. The winner will must pass a Soviet space physical examination.

Space Travel Services declined to say how much they will pay the Soviets for the flight, but said it would be more than the $12 million reportedly paid recently to send a Japanese television reporter into space with the Soviets.

The company hopes to recoup its costs and earn a profit through the fees paid by hopeful cosmonauts who enter the sweepstakes by calling 1-900-258-2MIR. The line is active nationwide now except in scattered rural areas, Mayer said. The line will carry continually updated space information, and callers can register for the sweepstakes at the end of the recorded message.

"Anyone who is interested in space may call the Space Travel Service information line," said James Davidson, senior vice president of the company.

"You can call that number as many times as you like, and I wish you would."

The company will keep more than 50 percent of each $2.99 fee, Mayer said. "We could make millions of dollars in profit," Davidson said. "It could be over $10 million.

"The purpose of the company is to make space flight an opportunity for everyone ... to position the company as the space travel service of the 21st century so when people think about space travel they'll think about us. That's what we hope to do, initially, as opposed to getting rich. Although getting rich is on the list."

The company also will profit through commercial endorsements and product promotions. "We're also looking into having our astronaut endorse products (by using them in space)," he said.

The company also can sell advertising space on the Soyuz rocket itself, will market exclusive broadcast rights to the flight, and will even produce spinoff toys, he said.

Space Travel Services sought a contract with the Soviets because NASA repeatedly has declined attempts to commercialize the American space program, company officials said.

The contract with the Soviets was negotiated by Houston businessman Art Dula, president of Space Commerce Corp. "They (the Soviets) have an immense history of being able to go into space inexpensively, reliably, and routinely," he said, noting the Soviets have flown or agreed to fly "guest cosmonauts" from 12 nations. "They realized this was a buck to be made, and that's what they want to do with their space program," Davidson said.

Mayer previously was co-founder of Space City Construction Services, a Houston-based commercial building contractor. Davidson had worked as director of marketing for MicroSat Launch Systems, and before that was with Space Services Corp., the first American company to put a commercial rocket into space. Space Travel Services was incorporated in July. Howard Stringer, another co-founder, previously was chief operating officer for Software Systems Consultants.

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#90351u1417 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

THUNDER BAY, ONTARIO (DEC. 17) UPI - Former Playboy model Lawrencia ''Bambi'' Bembenek, a convicted murderer who escaped from a U.S. prison and fled across the border last summer, was given a month Monday to prove she's not dangerous and should be allowed to apply for refugee status in Canada.

Canada Immigration Centre manager Dennis Pella said Bembenek was given until

Jan. 15 to prove she should be allowed to request to stay there as a refugee.

Pella said that at a morning hearing, it was established Bembenek was not a Canadian citizen, not a permanent resident, was convicted of a criminal offense in the United States and had worked illegally in Canada.

Bembenek, 32, was convicted in the 1981 slaying of Christine Schultz, the former wife of Bembenek's then-husband Elfred Schultz, a Milwaukee police detective who divorced Bembenek after the verdict.

She escaped from a Wisconsin prison in July and was arrested with her fiance this fall in Canada.

At the Jan. 15 hearing, Bembenek's lawyers will argue she is not dangerous to people in Canada and should be allowed to make a refugee application.

If the January hearing is decided in her favor, Bembenek will be allowed to make an application, but if they don't, deportation proceedings against her will resume, Pella said.

Bembenek's boyfriend Dominic Gugliatto, 34, of Milwaukee, has already been deported to the United States.

He has been ordered to stand trial on charges of aiding Bembenek's escape July 15 from the Taycheedah Correctional Institution, a prison for women near Fond du Lac, Wis.

The couple were believed to have been in Thunder Bay since the day after the escape until their arrest.

Bembenek and Gugliatto were unable to follow through on their plan to be married in Canada before the deportation.

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ABERDEEN, SD (DEC. 17) UPI - Super 8 Motels said Monday about 400 motels would participate in its "Room at the Inn" program to provide free lodging for some people on Christmas Eve.

Participating properties will offer free lodging to anyone visiting a friend or relative in a hospital, nursing home, veterans' home, or treatment center. About 25,000 rooms will be available for the Christmas Eve program, said Chief Operating Officer Harvey Jewett.

No advance registration is necessary, although reservations are recommended to assure that rooms are available. "Room at the Inn" was inspired by a similar program begun three years ago by Super 8 franchisees Gary and Linda Tharaldson

of Fargo, N.D.

Following several family tragedies that occurred around the holidays, Linda Tharaldson said, "Christmas and Thanksgiving were associated with a lot of bad memories for us. We decided a program like this would help us change that, would turn the negative to a positive. And it has. It really puts us and our staff in the holiday spirit."

Jewett said some motels would have additional holiday programs, such as complimentary meals. Participants in the 1990 "Room at the Inn" program include all motels managed by the Super 8 corporation and those owned by the chain's major franchisees. Many of Super 8's smaller franchisees also are taking part, although they were not actively solicited for the program.

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#90351u1446 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 17) UPI - There is more tough talk today in the Persian Gulf crisis. The NATO foreign ministers meeting in Brussels, Belgium, issued a statement that says Iraq must withdraw completely from Kuwait because there will NOT be a ''partial'' solution to the crisis. The statement says the total withdrawal and restoration of the Kuwaiti government are what it terms ''unequivocal conditions'' for peace.

President Bush told reporters in Washington that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is very wrong if he thinks the United States is NOT serious in insisting that Iraqi troops leave Kuwait. Bush also told reporters at the White House that he still hopes high-level talks in the crisis.

From Baghdad, word of an interview granted to an Iraqi newspaper by Abul Abbas the leader of a terrorist group. Abbas says terrorists already are targeting American and allied targets for attack if the U-S-led mutli-nation force moves against Iraq.

President Bush announced today that he is nominating University of Tennessee President Lamar Alexander to be the new Secretary of Education. Bush praised Alexander's record on education during two terms as Tennessee governor. Alexander will replace Lauro Cavazos, who resigned under pressure last week.

Soviet Presideng Gorbachev opened the fourth Congress of People's Deputies today by telling the delegates that the nation is in ''very grave'' condition. Gorbachev called for a referendum on the future of the Soviet Union.

Haiti is awaiting official results from the presidential election that was marred by some vote problems yesterday. One Haitian official said unofficial results showed a fiery priest leading in the presidential contest but he had NO vote figures to back up the statement.

The presidents of the five Central American nations wrapping up their ninth summit in Costa Rica are calling on the Salvadoran rebels to return to the bargaining table and end their current offensive. The latest campaign by the leftists rebels has claimed about 300 lives in less than one month.

A Houston company that wants to become the space travel agency of the future says it is running a nation-wide sweepstakes for what it calls ''The Ultimate Adventure''... a trip into space and a visit aboard the Soviet Mir space station. Space Travel Services Corporation says the trip will be made in late 1992 or early 1993.

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#90351u1454 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) UPI - President Bush, hoping to revitalize his flagging campaign to improve education, announced Monday he will nominate former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander to head the Education Department.

In moving quickly to replace Lauro Cavazos, the education secretary unceremoniously dumped from the post last week, Bush tapped a highly regarded activist educator who has been widely involved in educational reform efforts.

''No governor in the country is so clearly identified with the imperative to improve education,'' said Bush with Alexander at his side.

And pointing to at least one issue cited in Cavazos's removal - that not enough was being done to raise educational standards - Bush said Alexander would give education reform a needed boost in his administration.

He pointed specifically to the goals to improve student performance outlined last year at the summit meeting of the nation's governors as Alexander's mandate.

''Our mission is clear and I look forward to achieving these goals by the year 2000,'' Bush said.

Alexander's nomination must be confirmed by the Senate. He described himself as a ''populist, activist Republican governor,'' and said he and Bush had not discussed precisely where Cavazos had gone wrong.

''I think my job is to understand his goals, develop a plan and help him do that,'' he said.

He also demurred on whether he thought the department was ineffective. ''I think you ought to make the comparisons, not I.''

Alexander, 50, served as governor of Tennessee for two terms ended in 1987 and gained national attention by pushing through a merit pay plan for Tennessee

teachers. He has been president of the University of Tennessee since January 1988.

In talking briefly with reporters, he declined to discuss his plans for the department prior to Senate confirmation hearings, but he did indicate some reservations about the Education Department's controversial decision last week to bar most colleges from awarding scholarships based on race.

''I have many, many opinions about it and I will be full of advice for the president and I'll be glad to talk about it to the Senate,'' said Alexander. ''My general disposition would be that when you're wandering through constitutional thickets, that a warm heart and a little common sense sometimes are helpful.''

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater also announced that after an initial review of the ruling that ''race-exclusive'' scholarships are discriminatory and in violation of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, Bush had asked the Education Department to go back and review the decision.

And emphasizing that Bush was ''very disturbed about the ruling,'' the spokesman indicated it soon could be overturned.

''We do want the Education Department to take a look at this and to reflect the president's concerns as well as the many policy and legal requirements,'' said Fitzwater.

''The president is very concerned about it. He does believe minority scholarships have been important for economic growth and development, for education opportunity and we are reviewing this matter.''

Alexander's nomination was greeted with quick enthusiasm from many quarters.

Sammie Lynn Puett, now a vice president at the University of Tennessee and a former Alexander Cabinet member, called him a ''superb choice.''

''He has a strong personal commitment to improving education,'' said Puett, citing Alexander's ''Better Schools Program,'' which included the merit pay system for teachers.

James Haslam, president of Pilot Oil and a member of the university's board of trustees, said Alexander has been known as the ''education governor,'' not unlike Bush 1988 campaign pledge to be ''education president.''

''He understands the nuts and bolts of education,'' said Haslam.

Albert Shanker, president of the powerful American Federation of Teachers union, said he was ''hopeful ... Alexander will assume a strong leadership role to move a meaningful education program forward.''

And Jeffrey Joseph, vice president for domestic policy at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, said the appointment proved Bush ''intends to succeed as the 'education president.'''

On a less positive note, National Education Association President Keith Geiger said the organization has not ''always seen eye-to-eye'' with Alexander and would have preferred a nominee with ''hands-on classroom experience.''

But Geiger said the nomination provides a ''new beginning'' to ''work more closely'' on education. ''The NEA will certainly do all we can to develop a plan, jointly, to meet the national education goals by the year 2000,'' Geiger said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - News Corp. Ltd. said Monday it completed the sale of subsidiary Fox Inc.'s DeLuxe Laboratories business to Rank Organization PLC. News Corp., the Australia-based company controlled by media magnate Rupert Murdoch, announced the sale, valued at about $150 million, earlier this year.

The closing of the transaction was delayed by a Justice Department challenge on the grounds the deal violated antitrust laws, but a federal judge recently denied the government's request for an injunction, according to News Corp. Rank is a U.K. entertainment concern.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Airsensors Inc (2nd Q 10-31)	
$7,269,519	$7,303,331
d-$480,565	d-$776,901
d-Deficit.	
Alfin Inc (1st Q 10-31)	
$13,766,642	$5,511,109
$264,506 (.04)	$309,349 (.05)
Associated Natural Gas Cp (Year 9-30)	
$394,788,000	$291,540,000
$8,003,000 (.80)	$3,293,000 (.17)
Bonneville Pacific (2nd Q 10-31)	

$32,410,000 $13,123,000
d-$25,872,000 d-$641,000
d-Deficit.

Children's Discovery Centers (3rd Q 9-30)
$3,285,000 $4,035,000
d-$218,000 a-$4,000
a-Per share figures not reported.
d-Deficit.

Citizens Growth Prop (3rd Q 10-31)
$43,000 $28,000
$28,000 (.09) d-$245,000
d-Deficit.

Comtech Telecomm (1st Q 10-31)
$5,131,000 $3,833,000
$895,000 (.14) $202,000 (.03)

Empire Co (2nd Q 10-31)
$513,306,000 $451,058,000
$6,436,000 (.08) $6,884,000 (.10)

Fastcomm Communication Cp (2nd Q 10-30)
$1,228,302 $771,219
$211,092 (.05) $53,589 (.01)

Fst Provident Grp Inc (3rd Q 10-31)
$3,509,621 $2,336,735
d-$180,507 $71,781 (.01)
d-Deficit.

Frequency Electronics (2nd Q 10-31)
$13,205,000 $16,209,000
d-$1,699,000 $895,000 (.16)
d-Deficit.

General Cinema Corp (4th Q 10-31)
$483,875,000 $445,919,000
a-$55,674,000 (.76) b-$7,904,000 (.10)
a-Latest quarter and year includes a pre-tax gain from sale of securities of $129,298,000 and a pre-tax restructuring charge of $34,000,000.
b-Year-ago quarter includes pre-tax loss of $1,015,000 from sale of securities; Fiscal year 1989 includes pre-tax gain from sale of securities of $82,864,000.

Ingles Markets (4th Q 9-29)
$260,491,000 $253,182,000

$3,555,000 (.20) $5,573,000 (.31)

J2 Communications (1st Q 10-31)
$1,525,000 $1,861,000
$77,000 (.02) $115,000 (.06)

Luria L & Sons (3rd Q 11-3)
$40,331,000 $41,301,000
d-$1,869,000 d-$938,000
d-Deficit.

Maritech USA Inc (1st Q 11-30)
$10,506,000 $11,261,000
$1,551,000 (.16) $1,538,000 (.14)

Mark's Work Wearhse (3rd Q 10-27)
$57,593,000 $58,151,000
d-$1,040,000 $883,000 (.09)
d-Deficit
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

Meadow Group Inc (3rd Q 10-31)
$11,027,000 $9,168,000
$119,000 (.05) d-$640,000
d-Deficit.

Nike Inc (2nd Q 11-30)
$648,828,000 $445,705,000
$58,081,000 (.77) $36,777,000 (.49)

Offshore Pipelines Inc (1st Q 10-31)
$59,064,000 $26,349,000
d-$159,000 d-$1,754,000
d-Deficit.

Sand Technology (1st Q 10-31)
$6,859,208 $11,321,515
$291,390 (.07) $243,962 (.05)
Amounts in Canadian dollars.

SCS Compute (3rd Q 10-31)
$2,965,000 $3,131,000
d-$3,066,000 d-$2,395,000
d-Deficit.

Topps Co (3rd Q 12-1)
$65,039,000 $60,354,000
$12,197,000 (.26) $8,476,000 (.18)

Nu-Med Inc (2nd Q 10-31)
$60,783,000 $65,509,000
d-$4,184,000 (.38) d-$2,483,000 (.34)
d-Deficit.

Rocky Mountain Helicopters (2nd Q 10-31)
$18,926,000 $17,589,000
$600,000 (.20) a-$499,000
a-Earnings per share are not reported because company was privately held.

Rotech Medical Corp (1st Q 10-31)
$4,692,865 $3,572,812
$361,597 (.08) $242,295 (.06)

Werner Enterprises (3rd Q 11-30)
$81,284,000 $65,637,000
$4,271,000 (.37) $4,739,000 (.41)

Western Publishing (3rd Q 11-3)
$155,681,000 $162,505,000
$8,351,000 (.39) $12,681,000 (.59)

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CHICAGO (DEC. 17) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Monday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.55	2.55 3/4	2.52 1/2	2.54 1/2	2.53
Mar	2.65 3/4	2.67	2.65 1/2	2.66 3/4	2.65 3/4
May	2.72 1/2	2.73 1/2	2.72 1/2	2.73 1/4	2.71 3/4
Jly	2.75 1/2	2.76 3/4	2.75	2.76	2.75 1/4
Sep	2.81 1/2	2.81 1/2	2.81 1/2	2.81 1/2	2.81 1/2
Dec	2.93 1/2	2.94	2.93 1/2	2.94	2.93 1/2
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.24 1/2	2.27	2.24 1/2	2.26 1/4	2.23 1/4
Mar	2.38	2.39 3/4	2.37 3/4	2.39 1/4	2.36 1/2
May	2.45 3/4	2.47 1/2	2.45 3/4	2.47 1/4	2.44 1/2
Jly	2.51 1/4	2.53 3/4	2.51 1/4	2.53 1/2	2.50 3/4
Sep	2.52	2.54 1/2	2.52	2.54	2.51 1/2
Dec	2.51 3/4	2.54 1/2	2.51 3/4	2.54 1/4	2.51 3/4
Mar	2.59 3/4	2.61 1/4	2.59 1/2	2.61 1/4	2.58 3/4
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					

Dec	1.09	1/2	1.10	1/2	1.09	1/2	1.09	1/2	1.08	1/2
Mar	1.19	1/4	1.20	1/2	1.19		1.19	1/4	1.18	1/2
May	1.24	1/2	1.25	1/2	1.24	1/2	1.24	1/2	1.23	3/4
Jly	1.31		1.31		1.29	3/4	1.29	3/4	1.29	
Sep	1.35	1/2	1.35	1/2	1.35		1.35		1.34	1/4
Dec	....		....		....		1.43	1/2	1.42	3/4

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Jan	5.92	1/2	5.94	1/4	5.87		5.87	3/4	5.88	1/4
Mar	6.06	1/2	6.09	3/4	6.01	3/4	6.02	1/2	6.03	1/4
May	6.22		6.23	1/2	6.17		6.17	3/4	6.18	
Jly	6.35		6.35	1/2	6.28	1/2	6.29		6.29	3/4
Aug	6.37		6.37		6.30		6.30	1/4	6.32	3/4
Sep	6.30		6.30		6.27		6.27	1/2	6.26	1/4
Nov	6.28		6.29	1/4	6.25		6.25	1/4	6.25	1/4
Jan	6.39		6.40		6.36		6.36		6.36	1/4
Mar	6.51		6.52		6.48		6.48		6.48	1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	21.21	21.37	21.21	21.23	21.20
Jan	21.38	21.50	21.30	21.32	21.30
Mar	21.68	21.85	21.65	21.67	21.61
May	21.97	22.14	21.92	21.95	21.88
Jul	22.10	22.29	22.10	22.11	22.09
Aug	22.10	22.20	22.02	22.02	21.96
Sep	22.05	22.15	21.95	21.95	22.00
Oct	21.95	22.00	21.85	21.85	21.80
Dec	21.90	22.00	21.80	21.85	21.90
Jan	21.85	21.90	21.80	21.80	21.80

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	177.50	178.10	175.80	176.00	175.70
Jan	181.00	181.00	176.60	177.10	177.10
Mar	185.00	185.50	181.60	181.90	181.60
May	187.50	188.50	185.30	185.60	185.60
Jul	191.00	191.10	188.70	188.90	189.10
Aug	191.00	191.00	190.00	190.00	189.20
Sep	190.10	190.10	189.50	189.50	189.00
Oct	....	....	....	188.20	188.00
Dec	190.00	191.00	190.00	191.00	191.00
Jan	190.50	190.50	189.50	189.50	188.50

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CHICAGO (DEC. 17) UPI - A late sell-off pressured soybean futures Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Soybeans were mostly lower at the close and grain prices were higher.

Most of the demand was based on rumors the Soviet Union may have bought 600,000 tons of corn and perhaps 100,000 tons of soybean meal. The reports were not confirmed, and soybeans fell to session lows on profit-taking and liquidation during the closing minutes.

Corn and wheat futures held most of their gains throughout the day and were slightly below session highs at the final bell.

Commercials and commission houses dominated the buying across the floor, but trading ranges were narrow.

Gains in wheat were limited by sharply lower basis levels at the Gulf.

Weekend country movement was light to moderate.

At the close, corn was up 2 1/2 to 3, soybeans down 2 1/2 to up 1 1/4, wheat unchanged to up 1 1/2 and oats up 3/4 to 1.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Gold futures closed Monday 70 to 160 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	378.50	378.50	377.50	377.50	376.70
Jan	378.20	....	....	378.20	377.50
Feb	379.60	380.50	378.70	379.30	378.60
Apr	383.50	384.00	382.20	382.80	382.00
Jun	387.30	387.50	386.30	386.50	385.50
Aug	390.00	390.60	389.90	389.90	388.90
Oct	393.60	393.60	393.10	393.10	392.20
Dec	396.50	397.30	396.50	396.70	395.50
Feb	400.30	....	....	400.30	399.10
Apr	403.80	....	....	403.80	402.50
Jun	407.60	407.80	407.60	407.60	402.60
Aug	411.50	....	....	411.50	409.90

Open interest: 111,586 off 1,484.

Estimated sales: 22,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold
London

Previous close fix	373.25	up	1.00
Morning fixing	376.85	up	3.60
Afternoon fixing	376.30	up	3.05
Close	376.75	up	3.50
Paris	378.65	up	5.22
Zurich	376.50	up	3.00
Hong Kong	376.75	up	3.40
New York			
Comex spot close	377.50	up	0.80
Republic cash	377.25	up	0.50
Handy and Harman	376.30	up	3.10

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 377.59 up 3.11 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 396.47 up 3.27 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	3.956	up	0.019
Republic cash	3.96	up	0.025

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 3.94 per fine ounce off 0.03

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 3.96 off 0.035 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.237 off 0. 038

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 414.00 off 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 514.00 off 2.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 88.00 unchanged per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 103.00 unchanged.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90351u1512 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Monday 3 to 7 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.67	9.72	9.64	9.70	9.67
May	9.74	9.79	9.72	9.78	9.74
Jly	9.79	9.85	9.77	9.85	9.80
Oct	9.78	9.84	9.78	9.84	9.78

Mar	9.80	....	....	9.92	9.85

Estimated sales: 5,058 contracts
Open interest: 108,648 off 934
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.69

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Monday 43 points higher to 5 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	22.46	22.47	22.43	22.43	22.48
May	22.56	22.56	22.53	22.53	22.57
Jly	22.66	22.66	22.64	22.65	22.67
Sep	22.68	22.68	22.65	22.65	22.68
Nov	22.65	22.65	22.65	22.65	22.65
Jan	....	....	....	22.95	22.62
Mar	....	....	....	22.95	22.52

Estimated sales: 231 contracts
Open interest: 10,899 off 28

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#90351u1516 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

OSHKOSH, WIS. (DEC. 17) UPI - A judge Monday acknowledged making a mistake in a trial of a man convicted of sexually assaulting a woman with multiple personalities and ordered a new trial.

Winnebago County Circuit Judge Robert Hawley signed an order for a new trial for Mark Peterson, 29, convicted Nov. 8 under a state law that makes it a crime to have sex with someone who is mentally ill and cannot understand the consequences of the behavior.

Peterson admitted having sex with the 27-year old woman but said he did not know she was mentally ill.

The woman says she has 46 distinct personalities and assumed the identities of sevleral of them in her testimony.

Hawley acknowledged in his order that he erred in refusing to allow a defense psychiatrist to interview the victim. But he also said the defense attorney, Edward Salzsieder, should have pursued that effort.

Mary Lou Robinson, Peterson's new defense attorney, said she thinks there were numerous errors in the trial. ''I don't care which one they order a new trial on,'' she said.

She also said the judge may have been misled by District Attorney Joseph Paulus, who urged him not to expose the woman to independent physicians he

described as strangers.

''The judge may have been misled in thinking he was protecting the woman,'' Robinson said. ''Meanwhile, the district attorney was arranging independent medical exams of his own and an interview with the New York Times for the woman with strangers.''

She said Paulus should dismiss the charges and apologize to Peterson, although she acknowledged the latter was unlikely.

Deputy District Attorney Vince Biskupic said, ''I'm disappointed the verdict of the jury had to be overturned. Our goal is to offer protection to victims with mental illness.''

The judge scheduled a further hearing for Thursday and ordered the woman's medical records opened to the media.

The case has received nationwide attention and has become increasingly confused in recent weeks.

Sheila Carmichael, former coordinator of the Winnebago County victim- witness program who counseled the woman, wrote a letter Nov. 21 to Hawley in which she said Gerald Reeves, a key witness agaisnt Peterson, had had a sexual relationship with the woman for about a year.

Reeves, who with his wife and two children lived in the same building as the woman, denied the accusation. Hawley entered Carmichael's letter into the court file on the case.

Reeves testified he warned Peterson before the assignation that the woman had a mental problem and was vulnerable.

Carmichael was fired Nov. 21 over allegations she had signed a contract involving movie and publication rights about the case.

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#90351u1543 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) UPI - NASA has failed to properly maintain its nationwide network of facilities, leading to serious deterioration and accidents like a fire in a mission control building, a government report said Monday.

''Many of NASA's facilities have not been adequately maintained and are in degraded condition. Consequently, many need significant repair,'' the General Accounting Office report said.

''Several serious incidents have been caused by the facilities deterioration

'' including a fire in a mission control building, a steam line explosion, water seeping into electrical rooms and the partial collapse of a cooling tower, the report said.

While critical areas such as launch pads and the space shuttle processing facility are ''generally well-maintained,'' the eight centers investigators visited ''all have deteroriating facilities, such as leaking roofs, peeling paint, and leaking steam lines,'' the report said.

The report specifically noted deterioration in the 52-story Vehicle Assembly Building at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, where shuttles are attached to fuel tanks and rocket boosters.

Chunks of concrete as large as 8 inches have fallen from the roof, forcing NASA to install nets to catch debris to avoid damaging shuttles, the report said.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration's $15 billion network of facilities includes nine centers, six auxiliary installations and three deep space network sites around the country which carry out a variety of research and development for the space program.

The report blamed part of the problem on the fact that maintenance decisions are made by the individual directors of each center, who often place different priorities on the importance of maintenance.

The report recommended NASA develop a comprehensive maintenance strategy, increase the amount of money spent on upkeep and conduct annual surveys to determine repair requirements.

NASA called the recommendations ''constructuve and appropriate.'' and the agency was ''implementing programs to address'' the problem, the report said.

''People and facilities are critical to mission success,'' said Sen. Barbara Mikulski, D-Md., chair of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee that requested the report.

''We can't afford breakdowns on the ground if we're going to have spectaculars in space,'' said Mikulski, whose district includes NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md.

This year's budget includes a special $20 million fund to begin rehabilitating and performing major maintenance at NASA centers around the country, she said.

The General Accounting Office is the investigative arm of Congress.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $39 to $51 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.10 cent to 1.25 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.65 cent higher to 0.55 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.10 to 0.63 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.70 to $1.60 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $1.40 to $1.70 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.55 cent higher to 0.20 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 1.9 cent an ounce higher across the broad for a 5,000-troy- ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.003 to 0.007 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in light trading.

Bonds - Lower.

American Stocks - Lower in light trading.

London Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Dollar - Slightly higher against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 2 1/2 to 3, soybeans down 2 1/2 to up 1 1/4, wheat unchanged to up 1 1/2 and oats up 3/4 to 1.

Cattle trade - Firm to 50 cents higher; top $82.25.

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#90351u1592 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

LONDON (DEC. 17) UPI - British Gas PLC said Monday its recently approved acquisition of Canada's largest natural gas distribution company makes it the first to operate natural gas utilities on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean. British Gas Chairman Robert Evans said the end of the lengthy regulatory process in Canada for control of Consumers' Gas Co. Ltd. was a positive step.

British Gas earlier agreed to pay $777.75 million to GW Utilities Ltd. of Toronto, a subsidiary of Olympia and York Developments Ltd., for approximately 82 percent of Consumers' Gas outstanding stock.

British Gas then offered $28.90 a share plus an additional amount for interest and dividend for the remaining 18 percent of the shares traded on the Toronto and Montreal exchanges.

As of Dec. 12, some 97 percent of Consumers' Gas shares had been tendered to British Gas. "We understand the business of Consumers' Gas - and they understand us," Evans said. "We share similar philosophies."

Consumers' Gas distributes natural gas to more than one million customers in south-central and eastern Ontario, western Quebec and northern New York State.

Also Monday, British Gas announced what it called the most significant oil discovery in the Gulf of Suez in nearly a decade. British Gas made the discovery with its first wildcat well in the North Zaafarana concession.

The well, drilled to a total depth of 8,400 feet, is located 3 1/2 miles offshore. The cumulative flow rate from five intervals between 5,060 and 6,428 feet was more than 7,500 barrels of oil a day, British Gas said.

The consortium for which British Gas acts as operator has two concessions covering more than 241,000 acres in the northern Gulf of Suez. The company's operations in Egypt are managed by its Houston office through a subsidiary, BG Egypt S.A., located in Maadi, Cairo. British Gas controls 50 percent of the joint venture with Yukong Ltd. and Union Pacific Petroleum Suez Ltd. each holding 25 percent stakes.

London-based British Gas is the largest integrated gas company in the western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of

hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore.

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#90351u1604 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - American Airlines' agreement to acquire six routes from Trans World Airlines between the United States and London may be accompanied by acquisition of a number of TWA's other routes to Europe that it does not use, American's president Robert Crandall said Monday.

Under the agreement, American has the right to take over TWA's unused route rights between the United States and Europe if TWA does not use them within the next 12 months.

Crandall said during a telephone news conference that he expected between six and 10 of the routes to be given up by TWA and used by American. The routes of greatest interest to American, Crandall said, would be to Italy and the Iberian peninsula.

American said late Sunday it had agreed to pay TWA $445 million for routes between six United States cities and London, giving it long- sought access to London and strengthening its competitive position across the North Atlantic with United Airlines.

Separately, American agreed to buy all TWA's facilities at Chicago's O'Hare airport for $70 million, also improving its competitive position with United, the largest carrier at O'Hare.

United recently boosted its North Atlantic service with the acquisition of Pan Am's routes to London. That deal is now under review by British and American governments and is expected to be a test case for approval of the TWA-American deal.

American expects to double the frequency of its North Atlantic service within three years as a result of the new deal, a company spokesman said.

Given a ''satisfactory'' outcome in the Persian Gulf, Crandall said American expects jet fuel prices to fall ''sharply'' in the first two quarters of 1991. He added that the rapid rise in oil prices since the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait has accelerated but not caused the recent ''restructuring'' in the airline industry, which has included Continental Airlines' filing for chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

Crandall appealed for ''liberal treatment'' from the British government, which will decide whether American can take over TWA's rights to fly into London's Heathrow and Gatwick airports.

Pan Am and TWA are the only American carriers currently allowed to fly into

Heathrow, London's busiest airport and one of the world's major air hubs.

Crandall called the restrictions on United States carriers at Heathrow ''quite unusually limited'' and said the British government had been ''very skillful'' at negotiating the current bilateral air service agreement with the United States in terms of the rights it had won for British carriers to serve the U.S.

Asked what bargaining power the United States could bring to the table during the current renegotiation of the pact, Crandall said he believed the matter would be settled ''at least in part because of the long-standing goodwill'' between the two countries.

American is not seeking incremental landing rights, he said, but wants to be able to take over the rights that TWA currently holds.

If government permission is not granted, the deal is off, Crandall said.

''If it should turn out that the routes are not salable then we would not have a deal.''

He said the deadline for completion of the deal is 90 days after the conclusion of inter-governmental approval of United's purchase of the Pan Am routes, or May 15, 1991, whichever is later. In any case, the deal must be completed by Sept. 1, 1991.

The stock of American's parent, AMR Corp. was down sharply by $1.375 to $48.625 on the New York Stock Exchange Monday afternoon. Standard & Poor's Corp. affirmed its ratings of AMR debt and said the long-term rating outlook is stable.

S&P also affirmed its TWA debt ratings but with a negative outlook.

The credit-rating agency said the deal would boost TWA's cash reserves but does not solve the underlying problems of a weak domestic route structure.

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#90351u1608 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Baseball's labor and management, admitting to flaws in their past relationship, Monday announced a six-person joint committee to study the game's economic condition.

Don Fehr, head of the union, and Chuck O'Connor, general counsel of management's Player Relations Committee, named the members in the same room where almost a year ago they gave briefings on talks to end the lockout.

Fehr and Bud Selig, president of the Milwaukee Brewers, are to serve as co-chair, according to a statement containing emblems of both the PRC and the

Major League Baseball Players Association. Each recommended two other members.

Fehr chose David Feller, professor of law at the University of California, and Henry Aaron, director of the Economic Studies Program at the Brookings Institution. Aaron is no relation to the Hall of Fame player.

Selig picked Paul Volcker, former chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, and Peter Goldmark, president of the Rockefeller Foundation. Neither Selig nor any of the other four appeared on the dais with Fehr and O'Connor.

Fehr said the group would likely hold its first meeting shortly after New Year's, but refused to give any timetable for completing work. He said he hoped the group would make recommendations in time for baseball's next round of labor negotiations.

''We have had study committees before, and to suggest they have not been terribly successful understates the case considerably,'' Fehr said, explaining an effort to go outside baseball for help. Fehr pointed out that every labor negotiation since 1972 has resulted in either a strike or lockout.

''This is not a question of dealing with individual issues, i.e., whether the signings this year are detrimental to baseball, or whether the signings of last year are somehow not up to this year's,'' O'Connor said. ''This is broader than that. This is an attempt for the first time throught majority of individuals who are not combatants, if you will, not ex-combatants in the labor relations wars of baseball, to face up to some issues that have been confronting baseball since perhaps as early as 1967-1968.''

The Basic Agreement that ended last winter's lockout included the idea for an Economic Study Committee. It was originally supposed to be established no later than Sept. 1, 1990, with a report due Sept. 1, 1991. Fehr called those dates ''guidelines.''

The pact called for a group to study, among other topics: the relationship, if any, between team revenues and on-field competition; the extent and nature of revenue sharing among clubs; advantages (and/or disadvantages) of compensating players based on a percentage of combined industry revenues; past and future trends in national and local media markets; franchise value; and the number and location of geographical markets.

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PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 17) UPI - The Philadelphia Phillies Monday signed veteran right-handed pitcher Danny Cox to a minor-league contract and said he would be invited to spring training.

Cox, 31, has not pitched in the majors since Aug. 6, 1988, and has undergone

surgery on his right elbow twice in the last two years.

Cox, who spent all of his career with the St. Louis Cardinals, has a 56-56 record and a 3.40 ERA in seven seasons. He signed a contract with the Phillies' Triple-A team, Scranton/Wilkes-Barre of the International League.

''I just believe Danny is well worth a gamble,'' Phillies General Manager Lee Thomas said. ''He's one of the best competitors I've ever seen and was a quality pitcher when he was healthy.

''We have a chance to end up with a quality pitcher. It may take some time and patience. We'll just take him to camp and let him come along slowly.''

Cox underwent surgery in May 1988 for the removal of a bone spur, then had a ligament transplant on March 31, 1989.

Cox pitched in a few B games with the Cardinals in spring training last year and began the season on the disabled list. He pitched in the minor leagues on a 30-day rehabilitation assignment but did not pitch again after June 19.

The Phillies Monday also announced their 30-game spring-training schedule.Philadelphia will open the Grapefruit League competition against Boston on March 8 in Clearwater, Fla., and conclude it on April 7 against Houston in Kissimmee, Fla.

Pitchers and catchers will report for camp Feb. 22 and the rest of the team will work out for the first time five days later.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) UPI - Skimming federal fuel taxes, once the domain of mobsters and gasoline bootleggers, has become a $1 billion a year bonanza for white collar criminals, Justice Department officials said Monday.

"What started in the New York area now appears to have spread across the country," said Shirley Peterson, assistant attorney general in charge of the tax divison. "We have indications that these schemes are going on in Florida, Texas, the Midwest and California."

The department currently is investigating 100 separate cases in 18 cities, and in its 1992 budget is seeking to double the number of people assigned to the scam.

"When you consider the numbers of gallons of gasoline that are sold, you can begin to understand the magnitude of the potential problem and the temptation to cheat," Peterson said, "because there's just enormous money to be made for those who are able to find ways to cheat the payment of the tax."

The Justice Department estimates those who siphon off gas taxes cost the U.S. Treasury more than $1 billion a year. The government took in $16 billion in federal fuel excise taxes in 1988.

And the lure of illicit profits has only increased with the recent rise in the federal fuel tax this year from 9.1 cents to 14.1 cents a gallon. Peterson said an informant characterized the tax increase as an "early Christmas present" for the scam artists.

Fuel tax evasion is a relatively new area of law enforcement for the Justice Department. Since 1987, the tax division has won 25 convictions against companies and their officers.

In one case that attracted national attention, Getty Terminals Corp., a subsidiary of Getty Petroleum Corp., was indicted for avoiding more than $1 million in gasoline taxes by falsifying sales invoices and corporate records.

Last month, a U.S. District Court jury in New York found one Getty official and two independent wholesalers guilty of conspiracy and tax evasion charges. "That was a significant case because that was one of the first cases that involved a legitimate business," Peterson said.

Often the scams involve shell companies that use fake invoices and bogus fuel tax waivers to flout IRS regulations. Another popular scam is mislabeling diesel fuel, which is taxable, as home heating fuel, which isn't. "This is a very complex kind of scheme," Peterson said. "There are vast paper trails."

In addition, the Justice Department is trying to track down gasoline bootleggers and extortion rings that prey on gasoline distributors. Jim Rodio, a tax division lawyer, said organized crime is heavily involved in the gas tax schemes in New York.

"Anybody who is involved in the scheme has to pay what is known as the 'mob tax,"' Rodio said. "It's a penny to two cents a gallon. It's basically protection money." He said four New York crime families divide up the money by region.

Peterson said many gasoline distributors are contacting the Justice Department to encourage the prosecutions because the scams are cutting into their slim profit margin.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - Secretary of States James Baker told NATO foreign ministers in Brussels Monday that Iraq may withdraw partially from Kuwait around the mid-January U.N. deadline, but said the alliance should stand firm against

partial solutions to the Persian Gulf crisis.

In Washington, President Bush said Monday that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was ''as wrong as he can be'' if he thought the United States was not serious about insisting that all Iraqi troops be out of Kuwait by Jan. 15.

Bush said Turkish President Turgut Ozal told him Sunday that Saddam was misinterpreting the debate on the United States over U.S. policy in the gulf.

''He thinks it means our country is divided and we cannot go forward with the U.N. resolutions and he is just as wrong as he can be,'' Bush told reporters.

Bush also said he hoped talks in Washington between himself and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and in Baghdad between Baker and Saddam will still take place, despite a dispute over dates.

The NATO foreign ministers issued a strongly worded statement reiterating there can be ''no partial solutions'' to the gulf crisis.

U.N. resolution 678 authorizes the use of force if Iraq has not fully withdrawn from Kuwait by Jan. 15.

''I think we should anticipate that as we draw close to resolution 678's Jan. 15 deadline and as the choices are presented starkly, Saddam Hussein is likely to try to undercut the collective will of the international community to use force,'' Baker said at the NATO meeting.

''Just as I believe he chose to release hostages for this purpose, I think he may take a dramatic step on or around Jan. 15. He could withdraw partially,'' Baker said, according to excerpts of his closed- door testimony released by U.S. officials.

Baker said he is still willing to go to Baghdad to meet face-to-face with Saddam, but he said the Iraqi president is still intent on trying to undercut the ''collective will of the international community to use force.''

While Baker delivered his warning, Baghdad-based Palestinian terrorist Abul Abbas threatened to attack U.S. and Western interests world-wide if the multinational force confronting Iraq tried to liberate Kuwait.

The official Iraqi news agency INA said Mohammad Abbas, better known as Abu Abbas, secretary-general of the Palestinian Liberation Front, told the Baghdad Al-Jumhoriya newspaper that American facilities around the world had been targeted.

''Abbas further said that if the war would take place, then it would not proceed in the direction planned for by the U.S. administration and that the United States has no capability of containing the battle in a certain area,''

INA said.

Abbas is widely believed to be the mastermind behind the 1985 kidnapping of the Mediterranean cruise ship Achille Lauro and the seaborne attack on Israeli beaches by Palestinians this past May.

President Bush has said he will hold Saddam personally responsible for any terrorist attacks against Americans.

The last two British diplomats to leave Kuwait departed from Baghdad on their way home, and the British Foreign Office advised the families of its citizens in the gulf to leave before Jan. 15.

British Ambassador Michael Weston and Consul Larry Banks told British Broadcasting Corp. television that they locked up the embassy in Kuwait Sunday and climbed out a window by ladder after enduring a four-month siege by Iraqi troops.

The Foreign Office told the dependents of Britons in Bahrain, Qatar, eastern Saudi Arabia and the Saudi cities of Riyadh and Tabuk to leave as soon as possible. The advice was directed at non-essential staff and dependents, not British citizens employed in the area, a Foreign Office spokesman pointed out.

The Foreign Office said the advice was a ''common-sense precaution and does not imply any worsening of the situation in the last few days.''

But tensions were raised over the weekend when Iraq canceled a planned meeting between Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and Bush in Washington, which was supposed to take place Monday.

The two countries are deadlocked over a date for a meeting between Saddam and U.S. Secretary of State James Baker in Baghdad, with Washington insisting it be held before Jan. 3 and Baghdad insisting on Jan. 12.

The Iraqi ambassador to France, Abdul Razlaq El-Hashemi, suggested in Paris that his country might agree to withdraw from Kuwait following the proposed talks, but would make no concessions before then.

Baker said late Sunday that he was not giving up on efforts to negotiate dates for the high-level meetings, telling reporters on route to a NATO meeting in Belgium that ''we hope something can be arranged'' to pave the way for talks, The Washington Post reported Monday.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) UPI - Health Secretary Louis Sullivan proposed Monday to improve the U.S. infant mortality rate, one of the worst in the industrialized

world, by requiring states to link Medicaid programs with a food program for poor women.

The 1988 U.S. infant mortality rate was 10 deaths per 1,000 live births - the lowest ever on record, but worse than 20 other industrialized nations. Japan leads the world with a rate of 4.8 deaths per 1,000 live births, according to the National Commission to Prevent Infant Mortality.

Under a proposed rule, states would be required to provide written information on the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children to Medicaid-eligibile women who are pregnant, who are breastfeeding within the first year after giving birth or who gave birth within the past six months.

The rule ''will be an important element of our program to reduce infant mortality rates and childhood health problems caused by nutritional deficiencies in low-income families,'' Sullivan said.

The ''WIC'' food program is a federally funded program administered by the states to provide nutritional assistance to children under 5 and pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women who are determined to be at nutritional risk and have incomes at or below 185 percent of the federal poverty line.

The Medicaid-WIC coordination is required under the 1989 budget package.

The proposal was published in Monday's Federal Register. Written comments may be offered for the next 60 days to the Health Care Financing Administration.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Monday	1026.8
Friday	1022.3
Week ago	1015.1
Month ago	1027.2
Year ago	1064.4
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1007.8

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 7.00

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.20

60 to 89 days 7.83

90 to 119 days 7.66

120 to 149 days 7.56

150 to 179 days 7.39

180 to 270 days 7.29

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.25 - 7.40

Issuers 30 days 7.67

Issuers 90 days 7.29

Issuers 270 days 6.86

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.30

60 to 89 days 8.00

90 to 119 days 7.95

120 to 149 days 7.90

150 to 179 days 7.77

180 days 7.70

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00 - 9.50

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.375 - 7.50

1 month 8 5-16 - 8 7-16

3 month 7.875 - 8.00

6 month 7 11-16 - 7 13-16

Year 7 9-16 - 7 11-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 6.80 - 6.78

6 months 6.75 - 6.73

Year 6.62 - 6.60

Federal Funds: High 7 15-16, Low 7 1/4, Close 7 5-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 7.508 off 0.114.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90351u1649 12/17/1990 ~United Press International
REDWOOD CITY, CALIF. (DEC. 17) UPI - Wine country mass murderer Ramon Salcido, who butchered seven people including two of his children in 1989, was sentenced Monday to die in California's gas chamber.

''I hope God forgives me,'' said Salcido, who read from a brief statement in Spanish. He also apologized for the grief he caused.

An appeal of his conviction and sentence is automatic. His execution could be years away due to his right to a series of appeals through state and federal courts.

Visiting Sierra County Judge Reginald Littrell, who presided over the trial, accepted the recommendation of the jury that urged death for the 29-year-old forklift operator. Littrell had the option of sentencing Salcido to life in prison without possibility of parole.

Spectators in the San Mateo County courtroom were moved to tears by the emotional and sometimes rambling statement by Salcido's former father-in-law, Robert Richards, who pleaded for Salcido's execution.

Richards lost his wife, three daughers and two granddaughters on April 14, 1989, a blood bath that stunned the normally quiet Sonoma County wine country.

After a night of drinking and cocaine use, Salcido turned on his wife Angela, 24, stabbing her to death in a fit of rage sparked by his belief that she had been unfaithful. He then drove to his in-laws' home and shot his mother-in-law Marian Richards, 42, and her two daughters, Ruth, 12, and Marie Ann, 8.

Salcido then slit the throats of his three daughters - Sofia, 4, Carmina, 2, and Teresa, 1 - and dumped them in a nearby landfill. Only Carmina survived.

He also killed Grand Cru Winery co-worker Tracey Toovey, 35, who once tried to have Salcido fired. Salcido was also accused of trying to murder another co-worker, Kenneth Butti, 33.

According to a lengthy confession to law enforcement officers, after committing the crimes, Salcido planned to commit suicide, but first called his mother, who persuaded him to come home to Mexico first.

He was captured near his mother's home a few days after the killings.

Salcido was quickly returned to California by Mexican authorities to face trial.

Defense lawyers argued that Mexico violated the terms of its own extradition treaty with the United States by sending him back to face a possible death sentence.

The Mexican treaty bars extradition of a Mexican citizen to face a possible death sentence for crimes in another country. Mexico has no death penalty.

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#90351u1654 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 17) UPI - Mikhail Gorbachev, shrugging off a failed vote of no confidence in his performance as president, urged deputies Monday to hold a national referendum that would ''allow every citizen to say yes or no'' on the fate of the Soviet Union.

On the first day of the U.S.S.R. Congress of People's Deputies, Gorbachev also proposed a plebiscite on private land ownership in the vast country and outlined the concentrated powers he is seeking to deliver the nation from crisis.

Acknowledging that ''stability and order have been undermined,'' Gorbachev said it will take 12 to 18 months to put his troubled administration back on track.

Senior Gorbachev aide Georgi Shakhnazarov confirmed that Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov will be removed from his top government post under the president's overhaul plan, which would cut the number of central ministries and place them directly under his control.

Gorbachev addressed the gathering of nearly 2,000 lawmakers several hours after Sazhi Umalatova, an unknown 37-year-old deputy from the Caucasus region of southern Russia, startled her colleagues by demanding a roll-call vote on the Soviet leader's conduct in office.

''Esteemed Mikhail Sergeevich, the people believed in you and followed you, but the people turned out to be badly deceived,'' Umalatova said, her voice shaking in an emotional speech minutes after the 10-day gathering opened. ''You have brought ruin, disintegration, hunger, cold, blood and tears.

''Innocent people are dying. People are unsure of their future, and there is no one to protect them. You must go for the sake of peace and calm in our long-suffering country.''

With the first day of the bitter Russian winter just around the corner, the official government newspaper Izvestia reported that Soviet employees of the Red Cross in Moscow were stealing coffee, juice, macaroni, sugar, oil, cigarettes, boots, toothbrushes and other goods sent from abroad.

Umalatova said she was ''deeply offended and humiliated'' by the Soviet Union's need to accept emergency aid from the West because of its dire economic plight.

As Gorbachev looked on from his seat at the front of the Kremlin's Grand Hall of Congresses, other deputies took the floor to note that a president can be impeached only for violating the Soviet Constitution, under a new provision adopted at the last such gathering in March.

The no-confidence motion failed by a vote of 1,288-426 in favor of Gorbachev, with 183 abstentions.

Russian Federation leader Boris Yeltsin, who sat next to Gorbachev flanked by other republic heads, later told reporters that he had set aside the two men's rivalry and voted against the no-confidence bid.

Despite the show of support for Gorbachev, deputies later listened in silence to the 59-year-old Soviet leader's hourlong address opening the afternoon session.

Gorbachev admitted that the government has made ''major errors'' and ''hasty decisions'' since he assumed power in March 1985, but he stoutly defended the achievements of his perestroika reform drive.

''We have never known such freedom of thought,'' Gorbachev said. ''No one is now persecuted for dissidence. Victims of (past) wholesale repression have been rehabilitated.''

Gorbachev said that all Soviet citizens should have the right to vote on whether they want their republic to belong to a renewed union underpinned by a new treaty that would replace the 1922 pact by which the Soviet Union formally came into being.

''We proceed from the inviolability of the principle: Every people has the right to self-determination,'' he said. ''But only the whole people. Its will can best be expressed by referendum, and I submit the proposal to hold a nationwide referendum that will allow every citizen to say yes or no to the union of sovereign states built on federal lines.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	67 3-8	off 1-4
AT&T Company	30 1-2	off 1-8
BCE Inc	34 3-8	off 1-8
Bell Atlantic	55 1-8	up 1-8
BellSouth Corp	54 1-2	off 1-8
Exxon Corp	50 7-8	up 1-8
Ford Motor Co	25 5-8	up 3-8
Genl Electric	55 1-4	off 3-8
General Motors	33 3-4	up 1-2
GTE Corp	29 3-4	off 1-2
IBM Corp	111 5-8	up 3-8
Mobil Oil Corp	57 1-2	up 3-8
Nynex Corp	72 7-8	off 5-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24 1-8	off 1-8
Pacific Telesis	46	unch
Phila Electric	17 1-4	off 1-8
Sears Roebuck	26 1-4	off 3-8
Southern Co	27 1-4	unch
Sthwestern Bell	56 1-4	up 1-4
US West Inc	38 3-8	off 1-8

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BLOOMINGTON, Minn. (DEC. 17) UPI - A source close to the Minnesota North Stars says owner Norm Green offered club vice president Lou Nanne a lifetime

contract Monday.

Terms of Green's offer to Nanne have yet to be worked out and Nanne has yet to accept the offer.

Nanne has been with the Stars for 25 years as a player, coach, general manager and president. He now is vice president for marketing and public relations.

Nanne was speculated to be interested in a job with the expansion Tampa Bay Lightning. The Tampa Bay franchise is being headed by Phil Esposito, the former NHL star who is a childhood friend of Nanne.

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#90351u1675 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) UPI - President Bush, determined there will be no negotiations with Iraq and no concessions, said Monday that Saddam Hussein should realize the armed forces being arrayed against him ''would be devastating.''

Bush made the remarks to representatives of 28 countries in the international coalition assembled in the White House Rose Garden, saying they have all committed forces ''of one kind or another to this extraordinary effort.''

The president had briefed the diplomats privately, highlighting a high-profile day apparently designed to keep public pressure on the Iraqi leader to pull out of Kuwait before the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline for total withdrawal.

Earlier, Bush met in the Cabinet Room with the U.S. ambassador to Kuwait, Nathaniel Howell, who returned to Washington Friday after living under siege for more than 100 days in Kuwaiti City. During a picture- taking session, Bush said developments do not ''bode well for Saddam Hussein.''

''None of us wants war, but none is prepared to accept a partial solution,'' Bush said. ''Thus far, Iraq's behavior underscores what I think is a lack of interest in a peaceful settlement.''

''What we want to do is to impress upon Iraq the consequences of aggression and for Iraq to leave every square inch of Kuwait,'' he told reporters.

''I would think at some point he (Saddam) would realize this force being arrayed against him would be devastating,'' Bush said after meeting with the coalition delegates. ''The United Nations said that he should get out or all available means will be used against him.''

''What you see here is living proof that the international coalition arrayed against Saddam's aggression remains deep and wide,'' he said.

''The 12 Security Council resolutions make clear what is required: Iraq's complete, immediate and unconditonal withdrawal from Kuwait,'' he said.

The president said the coalition members are contributing 200,000 troops to the military effort against Iraq and added ''tens of thousands are on their way'' to the Persian Gulf.

He repeated that ''it is not simply the United States against Iraq; it is Iraq against the world.''

Bush made it clear that although there have been contacts with Iraqi officials they have reached no agreement on dates for an exchanges of emissaries.

The president proposed talks in Washington between himself and Iraqi Foreign Minister Aziz Tariq and in Baghdad between Secretary of State James Baker and Saddam.

If all had gone as planned, Bush and Aziz would have met at the White House Monday. But the United States canceled the meeting after Saddam insisted that Baker visit Baghdad on Jan. 12, three days before the U.N. deadline for Iraq's total withdrawal from Kuwait.

Asked if he would consider sending Baker to meet Aziz in a third country, Bush said, ''I hadn't thought about that but if it would do any good - if that would help get the message to him that he has got to leave without condition - I certainly would not oppose that.''

At the same time, however, Bush reiterated his opposition to any meeting close to the U.N. Jan. 15 deadline. ''What I am not going to do is shove these meetings right up against the United Nations deadline.''

''If meetings are held,'' Bush said, ''I want to reiterate publicly, namely we want to impress upon Iraq the consequences of its aggression.''

Bush said he is not in a ''threatening mode'' but insists there will be ''no negotiations, no concessions for one inch of territory.''

''I'm satisifed the coalition has never been firmer,'' Bush said. ''We've got to prevail, and we will.''

Earlier Monday, Bush told reporters Saddam is wrong if he thinks the United States is bluffing in its demand for total withdrawal of Iraqi troops by Jan. 15.

In a brief appearance in the White House briefing room, Bush said Turkish President Turgut Ozal told him Sunday that Saddam is misinterpreting the debate in the United States over U.S. policy in the Persian Gulf.

''He thinks it means our country is divided and we cannot go forward with the U.N. resolutions and he is just as wrong as he can be,'' Bush said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2593.32	off	0.49	895.24	off	7.87	208.56	unchanged	
Friday	2593.81	off	20.55	903.11	off	14.06	208.56	off	0.76
Week ago	2596.78	up	6.68	909.67	unchanged		210.45	up	0.38
Month ago	2565.35	up	15.10	867.79	up	3.33	208. 69	up	0.44
Year ago	2697.53	off	42.02	1140.83	off	29.87	233. 65	off	2.33
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Cotton futures closed Monday 10 to 63 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	76.06	76.25	75.85	75.98	76.61
May	75.30	75.40	75.21	75.33	75.65
Jly	74.97	74.97	74.75	74.82	74.96
Oct	68.30	68.30	68.25	68.16	68.55
Dec	65.70	65.75	65.35	65.35	65.85
Mar	66.40	66.40	66.30	66.30	66.55
May	66.60	....	....	66.75	66.85

Estimated sales: 3,000 contracts
Open interest: 42,465 up 1,658
The World spot average: 70.20

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(DEC. 17) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	178.22	off	0.49
ASE Market Value Index	303.99	off	1.75
Dow-Jones Industrial	2593.32	off	0.49

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:
Stocks - 10,200,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,225,035,040
Bonds - $3,580,000
1990 to date - $730,896,000

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 305.75, low 303.67, close 303.99, off 1.75.

There was a loss of 6 cents in the average share price.

Volume 10,200,000 shares, compared with 10, 950,000 Friday.
What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	7
New Lows	54
Advances	205
Declines	366
Unchanged	274
Total Issues	845

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	70,456,160	61 3/4	up 2 1/2
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	46,085,220	40 1/8	up 1/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	29,383,610	18 3/4	off 1/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	26,647,074	74	up 3/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	26,285,040	35 3/4	off 1/4
Laserscope	(LSCP)	17,658,448	27 1/8	off 2 5/8
Cisco Systems	(CSCO)	16,116,052	44 1/2	off 1/2
Scripps Howrd A	(SCRP)	16,000,375	16 1/4	off 1/4
Immunex Corp	(IMNX)	14,328,966	34 3/8	off 1 7/8
US Healthcare	(USHC)	13,812,814	21 3/4	off 1/8

Composite Index 161.41 off 1.38

NMS volume 84,879,200 shares.

Advances	551
Declines	1,001
Unchanged	1,216
Total	2,768

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Monday - $56,390,000

1990 to date - $10,551,310,000

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CHICAGO (DEC. 17) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Monday - 10,282,000

1990 to date - 2,393,308,000

The market closed lower.

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#90351u1726 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks - 118,560,000 shares

1990 to date - 38,442,913,791

Warrants - 1,140,000

1990 to date - 251,923,700

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#90351u1739 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

VATICAN CITY (DEC. 17) UPI - Lebanon's new ambassador to the Vatican Monday invited Pope John Paul II to visit Lebanon soon and said all the Lebanese would welcome him ''in a climate of unity and restored peace.''

Ambassador Antoine Jemha, 53, urged the papal visit during a ceremony in which he presented his credentials to the pope at a private audience.

''We dare to hope, your holiness, that your desire so often espressed to visit our country will be realized very soon,'' Jemha told John Paul. ''All the Lebanese will welcome you in a climate of unity and restored peace.''

In his reply the pope made no reference to the invitation, but issued another fervent appeal for international cooperation in helping Lebanon to consolidate its recent ending of the strife between Moslems and Christians and rival Christian factions.

The pope first announced his desire to visit Lebanon in August, 1989 and has repeated it several times in recent months. But the continuing struggle between opposing factions in Lebanon has made such a visit impractical up to now.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	382.53	230.94	144.33	23.16	326.82
Opening	380.24	229.95	143.45	22.81	324.66
11 a.m.	380.64	230.28	143.51	22.82	324.96
Noon	380.94	229.70	143.58	22.86	325.21
1 p.m.	381.11	229.29	143.80	22.86	325.38
2 p.m.	380.69	229.24	143.50	22.84	324.98
3 p.m.	380.74	229.06	143.61	22.82	325.03
Close	381.96	229.46	144.03	22.87	326.02
Change	off 0.57	off 1.48	off 0.30	off 0.29	off 0.80

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Monday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	22.45-22.50	22.05-22.15
North Sea Brent	27.10-27.20	26.70-26.80
West Texas Intermed	27.05-27.10	26.50-26.60
Light Louisiana Sweet	28.00-28.10	27.85-28.00
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	65.70-65.85	65.70-65.95
No. 2 Heating oil	74.75-75.00	75.00-75.25
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	63.05-63.20	62.70-62.95
No. 2 Heating oil	71.85-72.05	72.25-72.35

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Jan Bell Mktg	263,000	7 1/2	off 3/8
Wang Labs Inc B	261,200	2 3/4	unch
Dow Chemical rt	237,900	5 7/8	off 1/2
Echo Bay Mines	236,100	7 5/8	off 1/8
Hasbro Inc	222,600	14 5/8	off 3/8
Energy Service	221,300	2 3/8	off 1/8
Cheyenne Softwr	219,400	7 1/8	up 1/4
Alza Corp	206,700	47 3/8	up 7/8
Contl Air Hldgs	190,000	2	unch
First Aust Prm	166,200	9 1/8	unch

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EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (DEC. 17) UPI - The New York Giants Monday learned they will likely be without quarterback Phil Simms for their first playoff game because of the ankle sprain he suffered Saturday.

Simms, who was injured in a 17-13 loss to Buffalo, is expected to be sidelined from four to six weeks. Jeff Hostetler will replace him Sunday against Phoenix.

New York Coach Bill Parcells said Simms is ''90 percent certain'' to miss the Giants' first playoff game, which will probably be Jan. 12 or 13. The Giants will clinch a bye in the first round, to be played Jan. 5-6, if they win one remaining game or Chicago loses once.

An examination Monday showed Simms suffered a badly sprained left ankle when he was sacked by defensive end Leon Seals in the second quarter. Simms played until early in the third quarter.

''It felt like someone shot me,'' Simms said of his injury. ''I heard it click or whatever.''

The Giants, 11-3, have lost three of their last four after a 10-0 start but have clinched the NFC East title.

Hostetler replaced an injured Simms and led the Giants to a 23-21 fourth-quarter comeback victory over the Cardinals Oct. 21 at Giants Stadium. He also started against Phoenix last year, running for two touchdowns and throwing for another in a 20-13 victory.

''Anytime you lose your starting quarterback, it's a big loss,'' Parcells said. ''It's part of the game and you can't dwell on it. I think Jeff can fill in very ably and I think he will.''

Matt Cavanaugh is the Giants' third quarterback.

Hostetler completed 9 of 16 in relief against Buffalo and is 22 for 41 for 301 yards, one touchdown and one interception this season.

The Giants finish their regular season Dec. 30 at New England.

''This is the time and I'm going to go for It,'' hostetler said. ''There is going to be pressure.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Chrysler Corp	1,890,500	12 7/8	up 5/8
Unisys Systems	1,715,100	2 3/4	unch
Amer Express	1,455,200	21 1/4	up 1/4
Citicorp	1,225,500	13 3/8	off 3/8
Philip Morris	1,176,000	50 3/4	up 1/8
Ford Motors	1,145,500	25 5/8	up 3/8
RJR pf	1,145,400	20 7/8	off 1/8
Genl Electric	1,072,600	55 3/8	off 1/4
Waste Managemnt	1,044,600	35	off 1/2
Pan Am	1,012,600	1 1/2	up 1/4
IBM Corp	954,900	111 1/2	up 1/4
AT&T Co	945,600	30 5/8	unch
Genl Motors	931,800	33 7/8	up 5/8
Smiths Food & Drug	905,900	28 1/2	off 3/4
Bristol Myers	886,400	65 7/8	off 3/8

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austral	.000205	.000204	4885.00	4900.00
Australia dlr	.7659	.7655	1.3057	1.3063
Austria schill	.0956	.0957	10.46	10.45
Belgium franc-c	.0325	.0325	30.75	30.75

Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0068	.0068	146.00	145.99
Britain pound	1.9285	1.9322	.5185	.5175
Britain 1-mo	1.9218	1.9218	.5203	.5203
Britain 3-mo	1.9043	1.9043	.5251	.5251
Britain 6-mo	1.8819	1.8819	.5314	.5314
Canada dollar	.8639	.8621	1.1575	1.1600
Canada 1-mo	.8602	.8593	1.1625	1.1638
Canada 3-mo	.8561	.8561	1.1681	1.1681
Canada 6-mo	.8460	.8460	1.1821	1.1821
Chile peso-f	.003078	.003077	324.88	324.95
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001819	.001821	549.75	549.01
Denmark krne	.1743	.1747	5.7375	5.7240
Ecudr sucre-z	.001140	.001146	877.50	872.63
Egypt pound	.3551	.3551	2.8160	2.8160
Finlnd mrkka	.2780	.2793	3.5970	3.5800
France franc	.1977	.1979	5.0585	5.0540
France 1-mo	.1975	.1975	5.0623	5.0623
France 3-mo	.1967	.1967	5.0847	5.0847
France 6-mo	.1953	.1953	5.1213	5.1213
Greece drach	.006525	.006561	153.25	152.41
Hollnd guildr	.5963	.5967	1.6770	1.6760
HongKong dlr	.1281	.1282	7.8040	7.8005
India rupee	.0556	.0556	17.98	18.00
Indo'sa rupia	.000534	.000533	1874.00	1875.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7888	1.7910	0.5590	0.5583
Israel shekel	.5058	.5112	1.9770	1.9560
Italy lira	.000892	.000890	1121.00	1123.00
Japan yen	.007506	.007508	133.23	133.20
Japan 1-mo	.007506	.007519	133.23	133.00
Japan 3-mo	.007506	.007541	133.23	132.60
Japan 6-mo	.007505	.007564	133.24	132.20
Jordan dinar	1.5461	1.5557	.6468	.6428
Kuwait dinar	3.4247	3.4258	0.2920	0.2919
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000342	.000342	2921.00	2921.00
N.Zealand dlr	.5907	.5970	1.6929	1.6750
Norway krne	.1716	.1719	5.8275	5.8160
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	512,200	541,750
P'pnes peso-z	.0364	.0364	27.46	27.46
Portugl escud	.007643	.007689	130.84	130.05
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5819	.5836	1.7185	1.7135
S.Africa rand	.3985	.3985	2.5097	2.5097

S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010529	.010563	94.98	94.67
Sweden krona	.1784	.1790	5.6040	5.5870
Switzrl franc	.7849	.7852	1.2740	1.2735
Switzrl 1-mo	.7776	.7845	1.2860	1.2747
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7829	.7829	1.2773	1.2773
Switzrl 6-mo	.7809	.7809	1.2805	1.2805
Taiwan dollar	.0375	.0376	26.64	26.63
Turkey lira	.000354	.000355	2824.00	2816.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6632	3.6632
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0202	.0202	49.59	49.50
Germany mark	.6725	.6727	1.4870	1.4865
Germany 1-mo	.6720	.6720	1.4882	1.4882
Germany 3-mo	.6700	.6700	1.4926	1.4926
Germany 6-mo	.6668	.6668	1.4997	1.4997
Yugosl dinar	.0981	.0985	10.19	10.15

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	365.72	off	3.11	371.47	436.03
Industrial	395.84	off	2.79	401.51	427.86
Finance	356.23	off	4.51	365.32	488.29
Insurance	449.41	off	5.88	450.23	531.55
Utility	467.10	off	2.70	476.08	703.63
Bank	252.82	off	4.27	257.35	377.67
Transport	407.61	off	4.72	407.26	480.26

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 161.41 off 1.38

Industrial Index 158.03 off 1.09

NASDAQ-100 Index 390.11 off 2.16

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2580.45	2600.74	2563.61	2593.32	off 0.49
20 Trans	900.11	906.86	886.43	895.24	off 7.87
15 Utils	208.00	209.32	207.18	208.56	unchanged
65 Stock	906.14	912.94	898.61	907.85	off 2.15

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	11,856,200	16,745,800
Trans	2,313,600	3,523,300
Utils	1,849,600	2,580,500
65 Stock	16,019,400	22,849,600

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.12	off 0.07
10 Public Utils	93.06	up 0.06
10 Industrials	89.19	off 0.20

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 127.01 up 0.78.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Monday 390.11 off 2.16.

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DALLAS (DEC. 17) UPI - A Texas think tank said Monday the federal deposit insurance system is threatening the stability of U.S. banking and should be phased out completely by 1997.

The study was prepared for the National Center for Policy Analysis, a non-profit research group in Dallas. It was written by Jim Meigs, former chief economist for First Interstate Bancorp, and John Goodman, president of the center.

The report, titled "Federal Deposit Insurance: The Case for Radical Reform," concluded depositors can keep their money safe without the insurance. More than a third of the nation's money supply already operates outside the system

in money market funds, repurchase agreements, and Eurodollars, it says.

"If legislators and regulators try to plug the loopholes in the deposit insurance system in order to keep it going, they will exact a heavy price from U.S. bank customers, depositors, and stockholders," Meigs said.

"Bank insurance premiums are certain to be increased, seriously handicapping U.S. banks in competing with nonbank financial istitutions at home and with the banks in other countries," he said.

Meigs said deposit insurance fails because the system ends up "subsidizing bad loans of failing financial institutions." Now is the time, he said, to begin phasing it out completely. The report recommended four steps:

- Phase out the existing deposit insurance by limiting the amount of any deposit covered and then gradually reducing the percent covered by insurance, until coverage is completely eliminated by 1997.

- Clarify laws and regulations so banks can offer accounts backed directly by government securities to people afraid of risk. If the bank went bankrupt, the securities would be property of the account holders, not the bank. The interest rate paid to depositors would be the rate paid on government securities minus the bank's charge for holding and servicing the account.

- Expand the ability of consumers to make choices among accounts with different combinations of risk and return.

- Free financial institutions to make their own decisions on investment portfolios and the geographical areas in which deposits are accepted and investments are made.

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LAKE FOREST, Ill. (DEC. 17) UPI - Chicago Bears quarterback Jim Harbaugh is expected to be lost for the rest of the season because of a shoulder separation and Coach Mike Ditka is searching for linebackers to fill three spots.

Linebackers Ron Rivera, John Roper and Ron Cox all were hurt in Sunday's 38-21 injury-filled loss to Detroit at the Silverdome. Rivera's is the most serious, although he may return for the playoffs. Harbaugh is probably done.

''I don't see how it's possible. Miracles have happened. But I don't see how it's possible,'' Ditka said Monday, assessing the team's long injury list.

Harbaugh, who had started all 14 games, was to undergo an MRI (magnetic resonance imaging) exam late Monday and is not expected to be able to throw

lightly for at least three weeks. Trainer Fred Caito said more tests were needed to determine whether Harbaugh suffered any rotator cuff damage.

''You hear rumors that he'll be throwing in three weeks,'' Caito said. ''I don't see that happening. I see him (Harbaugh) missing a minimum four, five, six weeks.''

Backup quarterback Mike Tomczak has a strained right Achilles heel but is expected to start this week against Tampa Bay. He entered Sunday's game in the third quarter, completing four of nine passes for 26 yards and was intercepted. It was Tomczak's first extended action since Oct. 7, when Harbaugh was injured early in the second quarter against Green Bay.

If Tomczak can't play, rookie Peter Tom Willis will get the call. In a last-minute drive Sunday, Willis made seven of eight attempts in an 84-yard drive, capped by an 8-yard TD throw. His only miss was intended to stop the clock.

''I don't know what to do at quarterback,'' Ditka said. ''If Mike is 100 percent, he'll start. I have great respect for Mike but I'm intrigued by what I saw (of Willis).''

Harbaugh joins Phil Simms, Jim Kelly and Steve DeBerg as quarterbacks felled by injuries during the weekend.

''It looks like Week 14 is a bad week,'' Ditka said.

Unfortunately for the Bears, Harbaugh wasn't the only casualty. Rivera has a hyperextended left knee, and underwent an MRI test Monday as well. He reported no ligament damage.

''Reports of my demise are greatly exaggerated,'' Rivera said.

Cox has a sprained right ankle and knee and Roper suffered a pulled left hamstring. Both are expected to be sidelined at least this week, possibly more. The healthy linebackers remaining are Mike Singletary, Jim Morrissey, Mickey Pruitt.

''We have to get another linebacker,'' Ditka said, considering adding Glenell Sanders or Loranzo Square, rookie free agents who attended the Bears' training camp.

Kicker Kevin Butler also has a first-degree separation of his right shoulder, but can still kick, while tight end Cap Boso re-injured his left ankle and had it placed in a cast.

''Everybody's got injuries,'' Ditka said. ''We've just got to make the best of it.''

The good news is defensive tackle Dan Hampton is expected to return to action against Tampa Bay after missing two weeks to nurse his knee, and cornerback Vestee Jackson may be back from a knee injury.

Ditka said he may switch David Tate, a safety who has been filling in at the corner, to linebacker if needed. But the Bears coach said he wasn't discouraged by the defense's effort.

''Thirty-eight points isn't going to shake them up,'' Ditka said. ''Maybe 72 (points).''

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(DEC. 17) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6650	off 100
Citicorp pfB	80	off 15 5/8
Beneficial pf	196 1/2	up 12
Atl Rch pfC	304	up 10 1/4
Captl Cities	447 7/8	up 7 3/8
Enron pf	188 3/4	up 4 3/8
Wash Post	194	off 3
Matsushita Elec	123 1/8	off 2 7/8
Atl Rich	126 3/4	up 2 3/4
Wabash RR pf	59 3/8	off 2 5/8
Duq pfH	77	up 2 1/2

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(DEC. 17) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	238.70	238.90	237.90	238.75	239.75
Mar	240.50	241.00	239.80	240.60	241.60
Jun	....	....	....	242.50	243.50
Sep	....	....	....	244.90	245.90

Estimated volume: 288 contracts.

Open interest: 1,460 off 32

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	325.70	327.10	324.90	326.75	327.20
Mar	328.10	329.40	327.30	329.15	329.65
Jun	331.30	332.20	330.60	332.00	332.70
Sep	....	335.20	333.80	335.20	335.60

Estimated volume: 47,090 contracts.
Open interest: 171,382 up 1,004

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	177.80	178.75	177.55	178.65	178.75
Mar	179.10	179.85	178.70	179.70	180.00
Jun	180.60	181.10	180.40	181.05	181.40

Open interest: 5,337 up 451
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	542.75	544.20	540.10	543.70	543.75
Jan	544.00	546.40	542.50	545.85	545.95
Feb	....	....	....	545.85	545.95

Estimated volume: 3,285 contracts.
Open interest: 10,100 up 277

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(DEC. 17) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.19	7.29	8.56
91-day Treasury bills	7.01	7.07	7.60
182-day Treasury bills	7.07	7.10	7.42
1-year Treasury bills	7.06	7.14	7.13
3-year Treasury notes	7.42	7.46	7.67
7-year Treasury notes	7.94	7.96	7.78
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.18	8.19	7.83
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.55	8.55	8.64
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.55	9.55	9.08
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.64	8.62	8.75
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.91	8.91	8.84
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.11	9.13	9.08
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.09	9.12	9.06

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	368.82	364.46	365.72	off 3.11
Industrial	396.98	393.68	395.84	off 2.79
Finance	359.44	355.29	356.23	off 4.51
Insurance	454.81	448.53	449.41	off 5.88
Utility	469.26	465.10	467.10	off 2.70
Bank	256.65	252.59	252.82	off 4.27
Transport	411.78	406.95	407.61	off 4.72

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	161.41 off 1.38
Industrial Index	158.03 off 1.09
NASDAQ-100 Index (largest non-fin'cl)	390.11 off 2.16
Average price per share	8.20 off 0.06
Volume	84,879,200 shares
Advances	551
Declines	1,001
Unchanged	1,216
Total	2,768

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(DEC. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	8	20	10
New lows	68	51	53

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	483	34,927,700
Declines	1,030	64,968,100
Unchanged	513	18,664,200

Total	2,026	118,560,000

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COPENHAGEN, Denmark (DEC. 17) UPI - Prime Minister Poul Schluter said Monday he was to form a new center-right minority government of two parties, despite general election losses that cost his Conservative Party five seats in Parliament.

''I have informed the queen that I plan to form a government of the Conservative Party and the Liberal Party,'' Schluter said Monday afternoon.

''In the present situation I can see no alternative and this is what the (majority) non-socialist parties in Parliament have pointed to,'' said Schluter as he emerged from Queen Margerthe II's Amalienborg Palace.

Schluter was to present his cabinet to the monarch Tuesday.

The parliamentary basis for Schluter's government was 91 mandates in the 179-seat Folketing or parliament, spread among six non-socialist parties. The socialist block in Parliament, composed of Social Democrats and the Socialist People's Party has 84 seats.

Certain to continue in their portfolios under the new government were Schluter and Liberal Party leader and Foreign Minister Uffe Ellemann- Jensen. Other portfolios would be shared among the two parties in government, taking over ministries vacated by the Radical Liberal Party.

The Radical Liberals, under former Economy Minister Niels Helveg- Petersen, announced immediately after Dec. 12 elections that they would not continue in office following an election defeat which capped three seats off their parliamentary mandate bringing them down to seven seats.

The basis for Schluter's ability to continue was to be found in gains made by his coalition partner the Liberal Party.

Although the Conservative Party dropped five seats to land on 30 mandates in the legislature, the Liberals took up the slack with a seven-seat addition to 29 seats.

Schluter has ruled Denmark in changing non-socialist minority coalitions since 1982, when he wrested power from the Social Democrats, until then Denmark's main political force.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 7
New lows 54

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	205	2,338,000
Declines	366	5,163,700
Unchanged	274	2,698,300
Total	845	10,200,000

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Stocks closed broadly lower Monday in one of the lightest trading days of the year, depressed by nervousness about the status of diplomatic efforts to resolve the Mideast crisis.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which lost 20.55 Friday, dipped 0.49 to close at 2593.32, recovering almost all the day's losses near the close.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 0.49 to 178.22 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index dipped 0.80 to 326.02. The price of an average share lost nine cents.

But declines pounded advances 1,017-494 among the 2,026 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to 118,560,000 shares, down from 150,870,320 traded Friday.

The Dow eased from the opening bell, drifting with losses of about ten to 15 points until staging a late recovery, amid growing worries the U.S. and Iraq would not be able to agree on a date to begin peace talks.

The two countries are deadlocked over setting a date for a meeting between Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Secretary of State James Baker in Baghdad, with Washington insisting it be held before Jan. 3 and Baghdad insisting on Jan. 12.

Baker told NATO foreign ministers in Brussels Monday that Iraq may withdraw partially from Kuwait around the mid-January U.N. deadline, but he said the alliance should stand firm against partial solutions to the Persian Gulf crisis.

And in Washington, President Bush said Saddam was "as wrong as he can be" if he thought the United States was not serious about insisting that all Iraqi troops be out of Kuwait by Jan. 15.

"All the talk out of Washington about looking for a specific day to begin

talks, plus Jim Baker addressing the group in Brussels and saying he doesn't see any real move by Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, were some principal reasons why we were down," said Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King & Associates in Albany, N.Y.

Doran attributed the late bounce in the Dow to technical factors on very light volume. All in all, he said, "It was a very boring, quiet day. There was just not a whole lot of excitement out there today. Hopefully tomorrow we'll see more fireworks."

On the trading floor, Chrysler was the most active issue, up 5/8 to 12 7/8. On Friday, Kirk Kerkorian, a well-known investor with interests in airlines, entertainment and gaming, disclosed he bought some 9.8 percent - or 22 million shares - of Chrysler's stock, at a cost of $272 million.

Unisys followed, unchanged at 2 3/4. American Express was third, up 1/4 to 21 1/4.

In the airline sector, AMR lost 1 3/8 to 48 5/8 and UAL lost 1 1/8 to 105 3/8, but Pan Am jumped 1/4 to 1 1/2 in active trading.

Trans World Airlines renewed its bid to take over financially ailing Pan Am and sold six U.S.-London air routes to American Airlines for $445 million and its facilities in Chicago to American for $70 million. American is owned by AMR.

Elsewhere, IBM rose 1/4 to 111 1/2 and General Motors added 5/8 to 33 7/8, but General Electric retreated 1/4 to 55 3/8, and Merck eased 1/8 to 86 1/2.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 152,764,610 shares, compared with 182,574,300 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index lost 1.75 to 303.99. Declines led advances 365-207 among the 846 issues traded. The price of an average share was down six cents. Composite volume totaled 12,698,900 shares vs. 13,428,215 traded Friday. Jan Bell Marketing led the Amex issues, off 3/8 to 7 1/2.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index lost 3.11 to 365.72.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume 111,866,100

Advances	668
Declines	1,217
Unchanged	2,302
Total	4,187

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	178.22	177.59	178.22	off 0.49
Industrial	222.44	219.55	220.44	off 0.40
Transport	140.08	139.29	139.48	off 1.14
Utility	92.20	90.91	91.20	off 0.22
Finance	119.79	119.61	119.79	off 1.14

Equivalent to a loss of 9 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 118,560,000 shares.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 17) UPI - Outfielder Ken Griffey has signed a one-year contract with the Seattle Mariners, the team announced Monday.

The signing of Griffey, 40, gives the team their first full season with a father-son combination on the field. Ken Griffey Jr., 21, played his first pro season with the club in 1989. His father joined the team last August as a free agent after being released from the Cincinnati Reds.

Two days after Griffey Sr. signed with the Mariners the team fielded the first father-son combination to play together in the same professional baseball club.

''Ken's (Sr.) .377 average with us in September speaks for itself,'' said Mariners Vice President Woody Woodward. ''He provides us with a quality left-handed bat in the lineup and is an experienced, veteran leader in the clubhouse.

''We couldn't be happier to have Ken back in a Seattle uniform for 1991,'' he said.

Griffey has a lifetime batting average of .297 over an 18-year career. Before being released by the Reds Aug. 18 he hit .206 with one home run and eight RBI

in 46 games.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 453.44, off 0.48 percent.
This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - Crude oil prices jumped out to a sharp rise early Monday on worries about the weekend's U.S.-Iraqi diplomatic fencing but gave up more than half of that increase in sluggish trading as war fears gave way to market realities.

West Texas Intermediate, the key U.S. crude for immediate delivery, gained 50 cents to $27.05 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The market opened opened the day in New York at $27.65 a barrel, up a steep $1.10, as the apparent decreasing likelihood of talks between Iraqi and American officials buoyed prices.

President George Bush Monday repeated his insistence that Iraq must withdraw from Kuwait. ''He must be out of Kuwait by Jan. 15,'' Bush said during a brief appearance at the White House. ''That means entirely. It's very clear to the world that's what the objective is,'' the president added.

The White House previously canceled a visit by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz scheduled for Monday after Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein insisted Secretary of State James Baker meet him in Baghdad on Jan. 12, just three days before the withdrawal deadline.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast spot market, WTI jumped 55 cents to $27.05 a barrel.

After the opening rise on the Merc, prices were quickly depressed by the abundant supply of oil and below-normal demand combined with the belief war must be at least four weeks away. Crude's low for the day was $26.85 a barrel, reached in mid-afternoon.

The pace of trading in crude and the two major products, gasoline and home heating oil, was slow.

Unleaded gasoline for immediate delivery rose 0.15 cents to 66.33 cents a gallon. And home-heating oil prices fell 0.51 cent a gallon to 74.73 cents a

gallon from Friday's close of 75.24 a gallon.

''Heating oil was the weakest of the group because of weak fundamentals. There's plenty of supply and demand is not as good as normal because of the warm temperatures in the Northeast which represents 50 percent of the nation's demand for oil,'' said Thomas Blakeslee, an oil analyst with Pegasus Econometric Group in Hoboken, N. J.

''There's plenty of supply out there and that has to be the driving force,'' Blakeslee said. ''There's only so long the emotional and psychological factors can last.''

Another market observer, Richard D. Donovan, head of the international energy department for Lehman Brothers in New York, saw trading the same way.

''The market sank back with the reality of the fundamentals,'' Donovan said. ''There is no shortage of crude. There isn't a lot of cold weather for the products market ... and the reality of the situation is George Bush - if he's considering a military option - it's not going to be in the next 25 days.

''Implicitly, the U.N. resolution (authorizing military action against Iraq) says we cannot take attack until Jan. 15, so the reality of the situation is there won't be an attack'' at least until then, Donovan said.

Andrew Lebow, an oil analyst with E.D.&F. Mann in New York, described a ''tug of war'' between traders who fear prices will be pushed up by the outbreak of war and those who fear a settlement will depress prices.

''I think at this point the market is concerned over the date (of any potential meeting between the two sides), but there's cncern if they do set a day, (oil) could sell off broadly,'' Lebow said.

On the European spot market, Britain's North Sea Brent crude climbed 40 cents to $27.10 a barrel. The United Arab Emirates' Dubai light - the main OPEC crude from the Persian Gulf - rose 40 cents to $22.45 a barrel.

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DETROIT (DEC. 17) UPI - A spokesman for investor Kirk Kerkorian said Monday the California billionaire's $272 million purchase of a 9.8 percent stake in Chrysler Corp. during the past two months is for investment purposes only.

Papers filed in Washington Monday with the Securities Exchange Commission by Kerkorian's Tracinda Corp. painted the 73-year old investor, who made his name buying stakes in Hollywood studios, Las Vegas hotels and airlines, as a stockholder looking for a good investment.

Chrysler's stock closed at $12.875 a share, up 62.5 cents from Friday's close. Based on an average purchase price of $12.30, that means Kerkorian's purchase of about 22 million shares has so far yielded $12.65 million.

"The filing reiterated the point that this is a passive investment," said Scott Taglarino, a spokesman for Kerkorian, adding that "there are no plans" to mount a takeover of the No. 3 carmaker.

"We are still surprised at Chrysler's reaction to our investment," Taglarino said, referring to an emergency action by Chrysler's Board on Friday to strengthen its anti-takeover measures, commonly known as a "poison pill".

Taglarino also said the Schedule 13(d) filing by Tracinda disclosed that Kerkorian has no partner in the investment, and that the funds were raised from Kerkorian's own finances. The filing requires that Kerkorian disclose the source and amount of funds used to buy Chrysler stock, any partners and the purpose of the investment.

But it left open the possibility Kerkorian could acquire more shares in Chrysler if he wanted to. The automaker only said the filing "was essentially what we expected," and that it would continue to monitor the situation closely.

News of Kerkorian's purchases rocked the auto industry Friday, causing Chrysler's board to reduce from 20 to ten percent the threshold of beneficial ownership at which the rights become exercisable to buy Chrysler stock at half-price.

"We reacted on Friday, and nothing else appears to be necessary at this time," company spokesman Steve Harris said, adding that there are no meetings scheduled between Kerkorian and Chrysler Chairman Lee Iacocca.

Should Kerkorian purchase additional stock in Chrysler, Harris said the carmaker would have to consider three options, all which would require board approval.

The first would be to redeem or rescind Friday's decision and not allow the amended share purchase rights program to go into action - in other words, keep the poison pill from taking effect.

Chrysler could also have all other shareholders except Kerkorian give it $120 in return for $240 worth of stock. If all shareholders did that, it would generate between 3.5 and four billion shares, reducing Kerkorian's relative stake and making it very difficult for him to attempt a takeover.

The third option would be a non-monetary transaction to double the stock holdings of all shareholders except Kerkorian or any other group that crosses the ten percent threshold. That would also help thwart a takeover.

Kerkorian's purchases, made between Oct. 10 and Nov. 15, came as Chrysler's talks with Italian automaker Fiat S.p.A. broke off. A merger was not on the table, officials said, but other deals between Fiat and Chrysler were discussed.

Chrysler, which has been undertaking massive cost cutting actions, has been seeking some sort of an alliance of another firm to help it remain a viable competitor into the 1990s.

Auto industry analysts said Kerkorian's purchase makes little sense as a classic takeover move, and they tended to accept his explanation that he bought the stock as an investment.

"It doesn't make any sense in any of the traditional reasons why corporate raiders show up," said Maryann Keller, auto industry analyst with the New York firm Furman Selz.

Bill Steele of Dean Witter Reynolds' San Francisco office said Kerkorian may be trying to put Chrysler into play as a takeover candidate to flush out other buyers.

"Otherwise, it may be an ill-timed investment, given the weak two to three percent return on Chrysler's stock, the probability of a dividend cut, and a forecast of a 50 cent a share loss for all of 1991," he said.

It also left the United Auto Workers union wondering as to the automaker's future. The union represents about 60,000 hourly workers at Chrysler plants. "We don't know what will happen," union spokesman Frank Joyce said. "We're just going to keep watching."

Experts said physical assets of auto companies are of potential interest only to other automakers, and that the industry is suffering now because there are too many plants producing vehicles worldwide.

Other holdings such as Chrysler's profitable subsidiary, Chrysler Financial Corp., are also so closely tied to their parent company that they could not easily be broken apart and sold.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.87	9.51
Anchor Fund Inv	14.13	14.99
Delaware Mutual	16.99	18.22
Fidelity Fund	16.42	16.42
Investor Mutual	11.21	11.80
Investor Stocks	18.39	19.36

Investor Select	8.52	8.97
IDS Equity Plus	8.96	9.43
MFS Growth Stk	8.72	9.40
Nicholas Income	3.10	3.10
Utd Accumulated	5.94	6.49
United Income	16.22	17.73
Vang Wellington	16.10	16.10

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(DEC. 17) UPI - Secretary of State Baker says the nations arrayed against Iraq in the Persian Gulf must stick together in the face of what he said is likely to be a ''dramatic step'' by the Iraqis around January 15th. Baker says Iraq might even try a partial withdrawal from Kuwait to weaken the alliance.

President Bush told reporters today that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is making a big mistake if he thinks debate on U-S policy in the Persian Gulf means the U-S is NOT serious about getting Iraq out of Kuwait.

Soviet President Gorbachev urged the fourth Congress of People's Deputies to hold a national referendum on the fate of the nation. Gorbachev also is asking the deputies to give him more concentrated power to get his troubled administration back on track.

The main international observer teams gave the Haitian presidential election a clean bill today, despite a number of irregularities. But NOT even preliminary returns have been released yet.

Wine country mass murderer Ramon Salcido was sentenced to death in the California gas chamber today. Salcido was convicted of killing seven people, including two of his own children.

The Justice Department says that skimming of federal fuel taxes has become a one-BILLION-dollar-a-year bonanza for white-collar criminals.

A federal judge today postponed until Friday a bail hearing for reputed Mafia chief John Gotti, who has been held since last Tuesday on several charges, including racketeering and murder.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 17) UPI - Georgia-Pacific Corp. said Monday it will sell its French operations to International Paper Co. for about $103.75 million.

Included in the sale are Georgia-Pacific's interest in Papeteries Etienne, a linerboard and corrugating medium manufacturing operation at Arles; Papeteries

d'Espaly and Emballages Laurent, two packaging plants at LePuy and Chalon-sur-Saone; and Ets. Charles Grenier and Rhone Valley Packaging, two sheeting facilities at St. Vallier and Reventin-Vaugris.

T. Marshall Hahn Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Georgia-Pacific, said the French interests were being sold because they were ''nonstrategic.''

Georgia-Pacific, the nation's largest producer of building products such as lumber and plywood, is trying to reduce the debt incurred in last year's $3.7 billion takeover of Great Northern Nekoosa Corp.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock Split				
Applied Bioscience Intl - 2-for-1				
Biomet Inc - 2-for-1				
Reverse Stock Split				
Members Service Brd - 1-for-5				
Increased				
Lilly (Eli)	Q	.50	3-9	2-13
Pro-Med Capital	Q	.12 1/2	1-14	1-3
RPS Realty Trust	Q	.22	1-30	12-28
Rochester Telephone	Q	.37 1/2	2-1	1-15
Special				
Atalanta Sosnoff Cap	..	.40	1-21	12-27
Informatrix 2000	..	c-.30	2-15	1-21
Tic Intl Corp	..	.30	1-3	12-21
Distribution				
Natl HealthCorp	..	.30	2-15	12-31
Summit Tax Exempt BF	..	.21	2-15	12-31
Usual				
Charming Shoppes Inc	Q	.03	1-15	12-27
Fst Australia PIF	M	.09	1-11	12-31
Huffy Corp	Q	.10	2-1	1-15
Merchants Bancshrs	Q	.20	1-4	12-28
NBD Bancorp	Q	.35	2-10	1-21
Petrie Stores Corp	Q	.05	1-22	1-7
Scotsman Industries	Q	.02 1/2	1-15	12-28

SEI Corp	S	.05	1-9	12-18
Stokely USA Inc	Q	.05	1-15	1-2
Superior Indus Intl	Q	.07	1-18	1-4
Transamer Income Shrs	M	.18	1-15	12-31
United Asset Mgmt	Q	.11 1/2	1-15	12-31
VWR Corp	Q	.20	3-6	2-8

c-Canadian rate a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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(DEC. 17) UPI - President Bush says Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein should realize that the multi-national armed forces being arrayed against him- quoting now- ''would be devastating.'' Bush spoke to representatives of 28 countries in the international coalition in the Persian Gulf. Bush had an active day apparently planned to maintain public presssure on Saddam to meet the U-N deadline of January 15th for a withdrawal from Kuwait.

In Brussels, Secretary of State Baker told a NATO foreign ministers meeting to expect some dramatic action from Iraq on or before the January 15th withdrawal deadline. Baker said the step could be a partial withdrawal from Kuwait... an action that he said would be aimed at splitting the coalition built since the Iraqi invasion on August 2nd.

A couple of small earthquakes were reported in widely separated areas of the nation today... in California and Indiana. Authorities say a quake measured at three on the open-ended Richter Scale shook central Indiana but caused NO serious damage or injuries. Another tremor was measured at three-point-five in the Lake Arrowhead area in California. The temblor was centered 16 miles northeast of San Bernardino. It caused NO damage or injuries.

Around the world, a powerful earthquake struck in southwestern Iran. Official Tehran Radio says the tremor was measured at six-point-five on the Richter Scale and triggered landslides that sealed off several mountain villages. At least 44 people are reported injured in the quake, which was one of 15 tremors in the area between late yesterday and about 6 a-m today.

A report by the government's General Accounting Office gives NASA a failing grade for maintenance work. The G-A-O says the lack of proper maintenance has led to serious deterioration at many facilities, including the 52-story Vehicle Assembly Building at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. It says chunks of concrete as large as eight inches have fallen from the roof, forcing NASA to install nets to catch debris to avoid damaging the space shuttles.

The Justice Department says a certain brand of white-collar crime that began with the mob in New York is spreading across the country into Florida, Texas, the Midwest and California. The crime is the skimming of federal fuel taxes...

said by the government to be a one-BILLION-dollar- a-year bonanza for criminals. The Justice Department is investigating 100 separate cases in 18 cities. Often the scams involve bogus companies that use fake invoices and bogus fuel tax waivers. Another popular scam is the MISlabeling of taxable diesel fuel as home heating fuel, which is NOT taxable.

A screaming mother holding her four-month-old baby above flames in her burning Brooklyn apartment today, was spotted by a quick-thinking brother and sister today. The two held out a coat like a safety net and caught the infant. Police say the two described the experience as ''like catching a softball.'' Firefighters managed to get the woman out of the building, but only after she was overcome by smoke. Both the mother and baby were hospitalized, but their conditions were NOT immediately known.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - America's biggest oil and gas companies are headed for tough times and will have to slash overhead to survive in a volatile price environment, a management consulting firm predicted Monday.

Companies ''that fail to adapt to the harsh realities of a mature industry won't survive the next decade,'' declared the firm, Cresap.

In its annual industry outlook, Cresap said the big energy companies sometime have double and triple the overhead of well-run independent firms.

''The major oil and gas companies are carrying too much overhead. Compared with independent companies, the majors have both relatively larger numbers of indirect employees and higher costs per employee.''

Moreover, Cresap said that crude oil prices had been expected to be volatile even before Iraq invaded Kuwait and that now short-term prices from $10 a barrel to as much as $80 a barrel are ''easy to imagine.'' In recent weeks, prices have hovered in a range of the high $20s to the low $30s.

Cresap is the general management consulting firm of the Towers Perrin company.

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (DEC. 17) UPI - In what is believed to be the first such ordinance in the nation, the city of Cambridge Monday kicked off an AIDS awareness program requiring condom vending machines at hotels, motels, restaurants and bars.

The program began with the installation of a dispenser at the Green Street Grill in Central Square, one of the first establishments to seek compliance

with the new city law.

Sponsors of the ordinance, which passed by the City Council on Nov. 5, said they believed the city, which is home to Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was the first in the nation to enact such a program.

''We're hoping to serve as a model for the rest of the country,'' said Jennifer Burgess-Wolfrum of the City of Cambridge AIDS Task Force.

The ordinance requires condom vending machines in all hotels, motels, restaurants, bars, movie theaters, health facilities and municipal buildings, except schools.

Establishments are being asked to comply with the ordinance as part of the city's licensing procedure, and are given one year to install the machines.

But owners who object to the ''controversial'' ordinance may request an exemption in writing. ''Some people have religious beliefs that condoms are not acceptable,'' Wolfrum explained.

The city's AIDS Task Force proposed the ordinance as part of a comprehensive public health initiative to help limit the spread of AIDS.

''Condom vending machines is one strategy being used to promate condom accessibility and AIDS education on a citywide basis,'' saidx

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CHICAGO (DEC. 17) UPI - FMC Corp.'s board of directors Monday announced the election of Gov. James R. Thompson as a director of FMC, effective Jan. 15, 1991.

''We are looking forward to Jim Thompson joining our board,'' said Robert H. Malott, FMC chairman and chief executive officer. ''We feel his background and experience will be valuable to us as we face the challenges of a global marketplace in the decade ahead.''

Thompson leaves the governorship after four terms Jan. 14, 1991.

FMC Corp. is one of the world's leading producers of machinery and equipment for industry, government and agriculture. The company operates 88 manufacturing and mine facilities in 24 states and 21 other countries.

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#90351u2145 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (UPI) - Flamboyant stock promoter Murray Pezim was suspended Monday from trading for one year after violating disclosure requirements and misleading the Vancouver Stock Exchange on several occasions.

Ron Messent, spokesman for the British Columbia Securities Commission, said in an interview Pezim will be unable to trade anywhere in Canada for a year and could also be suspended in the United States.

Pezim, who for years has dominated the Vancouver Stock Exchange and trading circles in Vancouver, spent an estimated $1.5 million defending himself against charges of insider trading, disclosure violations and misleading the exchange and the public about their publicly-traded companies.

His partners in Prime Resources Group Inc., Calpine Resources Inc. and about 50 other public companies were also suspended from trading for a year.

Pezim's scam involved the gold-rich Eskay Creek property in northwestern British Columbia. According to the British Columbia Securites Commission, Pezim withheld spectacular drilling results on the property while he and his partners, John Ivany and Lawrence Page strengthened their personal positions in Prime Resources and Calpine. The trio then made misleading statements to the Vancouver Stock Exchange through company reports and press releases.

According to a statement released Monday by the British Columbia Securities Commission, shares in Prime Resources and Calpine were the most actively traded listings on the Vancouver Stock Exchange in 1989.

''It is damaging to public confidence in the integrity of the securities market and prejudicial to the public interest when such significant market participants contravene basic and fundamental rules,'' the Commission said. Pezim, who spends much of his time in Arizona, had said earlier he would move his business from British Columbia if he was not cleared of the charges. ''That's it. It's goodbye, adios,'' he said during the Securities Commission trial last summer.

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#90351u2161 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (DEC. 17) UPI - The commissioner of the Southwest Conference said Monday he had been given the go-ahead by presidents of the member schools to investigate the possibility of expanding the league or arranging an alliance with other leagues.

''That does not necessarily mean we are going to expand,'' said Commissioner Fred Jacoby. ''But before, the presidents were waiting to see whether they liked the idea or not. Now they say go ahead and look at it.''

Jacoby declined to say what direction he might go in scouting for potential

new members to the conference and said just because the SWC lost Arkansas to the Southeastern Conference does not mean that school will automatically be replaced.

''I've always said that bigger doesn't necessarily mean better,'' Jacoby said.

Possibilities, however, include an alliance with the Big Eight Conference or the newly formed football wing of the Big East Conference. Such an alliance would feature scheduling of football games between the SWC and one or both of those leagues.

One of the plans on Jacoby's drawing board calls for a SWC team to play six conference games, two with the Big East, two with the Big Eight and one against another school outside the conference.

In addition, the Metro Conference has dwindled in recent days to just four teams. Those four - Virginia Tech, Louisville, Southern Mississippi and Tulane - could be candidates for a league trying to expand.

The presidents gave Jacoby the go-ahead during a meeting called to review action recently taken by the SWC's athletic directors and faculty representatives. The eight school presidents have said they hope to meet twice a year, about a week after the faculty representatives meet, in order to review and either approve or reject the faculty rep's actions.

The presidents themselves voted two months ago to implement the strongest entrance requirements by any onference in the country and they agreed Monday to continue those unless they receive an adverse opinion from the league's attorneys.

A report from the attorneys as to the validity of their action was expected Monday, but was not forthcoming.

Those new requirements forbid any NCAA ''partial-qualifer,'' from participating in athletics at a SWC school. NCAA rules state that a high school student must make a 2.00 Grade Point Average in basic classes and must make a 700 on the SAT in order to compete in college.

But if a would-be athlete fulfills only one of those requirements, the student still has a chance to gain eligibility by going to school for a year on his or her own money. If that student then completes one year in good academic standing, he or she can compete.

The SWC's rules, however, would not allow such a person to compete even if that student made straight A's.

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#90351u2211 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 17) UPI - The battle over Hollywood Park intensified Monday as the race track's management company accused a group of dissident shareholders of trying to take control of the facility without paying a fair price.

The dissidents, led by Texas investor R.D. Hubbard, have been trying to oust the management of the track through a proxy contest. Both sides have filed lawsuits against the other.

The accusation, contained in a letter to shareholders of Hollywood Park Operating Co., was a part of proxy materials mailed out for the company's annual meeting.

''Let's get straight to the heart of R.D. Hubbard's effort to take control of the board,'' the letter said. ''Hubbard wants to take control of your operating company without paying for your shares.''

The materials also disclosed that the annual meeting has been delayed three weeks until Feb. 18, saying it wanted give shareholders more time to get information pending the outcome of the lawsuits.

Hubbard called the delay ''outrageous'' and said it was being done with goal of ''entrenchment'' of management.

Hubbard, who owns tracks in Kansas and New Mexico, is the latest in a string of dissatisfied investors who have called for the ouster of the operating company's chief, Marjorie Everett. Hubbard owns 9.9 percent of the shares.

The track lost more than $25 million between 1987 and 1989, largely because of the debt from its investment in another Southern California race track, Los Alamitos, and stopped paying a dividend.

Hollwood Park sold Los Alamitos late last year for $70 million, which enabled it to cut its debt and reinstitute the dividend. It has earned $4.67 million in the first nine months of this year.

The Hollywood Park Operating Co. board, which is mostly loyal to Everett, has called for the sale of the 347-acre race track property, located near Los Angeles International Airport. But the Hollywood Park Realty Co., which owns the property and is dominated by Hubbard's allies, turned down the request several weeks ago.

On another front, the Los Angeles Times reported Monday that actor John Forsythe, one of Everett's allies on the Operating Co. board, scuffled Sunday at the track's directors' room with a Hubbard backer, Harry Ornest, who also sits on the board.

Forsythe, 72, told the newspaper he suffered scratches to the head and neck during the fight, which lasted less than a minute.

Race track veterans said they could not remember a previous fight in the directors' room.

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#90351u2230 12/17/1990 ~United Press International

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (DEC. 17) UPI - A victory celebration turned bloody Monday, as soldiers fired into a crowd of election revelers outside a church, killing a pregnant woman and wounding several other people, two of them children, witnesses and news reports said.

Supporters of front-runner Jean Bertrand Aristide were celebrating outside St. Bosco Church when a truckload of soldiers arrived and fired into the air to disperse the crowd, witnesses said.

When the revelers, estimated from 200 to as many as 2,000 people, would not break up, the soldiers fired into the crowd, killing a pregnant woman and wounding several other people, including two children under 10. Government and other sources gave conflicting reports of the crowd size, and no more accurate estimate was immediately available.

Police officially logged the incident as an auto accident, said Alain Couture, member of the U.N. observer group security detail. Couture, a lieutenant colonel in the Candadian army, said the U.N. also was recording it as an auto accident.

Radio France reporter Alain Heudes said he saw the soldiers open fire and the wounded fall to the ground. He said the pregnant woman was killed and several other people were wounded, some in the legs.

Initial reports said 18 people were injured, but that number could not be independently confirmed.

A doctor at General Hospital, Port-Au-Prince's main medical facility, said the dead woman was shot in the lower abdomen. The doctor, who requested anonymity, said the woman was from 30-35 years old and was eight months pregnant

International observers said Aristide appeared to have won Sunday's presidential election. With 1 percent of the vote tallied, Aristide was leading with 70.6 percent of the vote.

A total of 27,827 ballots were counted from four provinces, of which Aristide took 19,181. Former World Bank economist Marc Bazin, the other leading candidate, received 3,410 votes, or 12 percent. The rest of the votes were divided up between the nine other candidates.

The shooting occurred outside St. John Bosco Church, where in 1987 the Tonton Macoutes, the Duvalier dynasty's armed loyalist thugs, tried to assassinate Aristide, killing 13 people and leaving 80 others injured.

Aristide, a charismatic 37-year-old Catholic priest, was expelled from the Salesian religious order for using his pulpit as a political platform and preaching ''class struggle.'' Many Haitians began to celebrate what they felt would be Aristide's certain victory moments after casting their ballots Sunday.

The shooting appeared to be an isolated incident, as elsewhere the army has been respectful, the populace restrained, and the main international observer teams have given the election a clean bill despite a number of irregularities reported at the polls.

The U.S. government delegation and the observer team of former President Jimmy Carter said that despite delays in the release of official election results it seemed apparent that Aristide had won Haiti's presidential election.

''We respect and support the choice of Father Aristide as the apparent president-elect of Haiti,'' Bernard Aronson, assistant secretary of state for Inter-American Affairs, told reporters.

Carter said he also expected a victory for the populist Aristide.

''I have not seen any evidence to contradict that Father Aristide will be successful,'' Carter said. ''The results we have gotten back show a very strong support for Aristide.''

International observers said that elections were democratic.

''I think they were very democratic elections,'' said Joao de Medicis, chief of the United Nations' observer group. ''There were some irregularities, but they did not affect the result of the election.''

The Sunday vote was by ballot shortages and polling stations that opened more than seven hours late. The problems triggered brief street demonstrations. But until Monday's shooting there had been no violence.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - President Bush rolled through a busy day that appears to have been aimed at convincing Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein that the United States means business in the Persian Gulf. Bush met with representatives of 28 countries that are involved in Operation Desert Shield. He told reporters that Saddam would make a big mistake if he assumed that the debate over U-S policy means the United States is NOT serious when it insists that Iraq get out of

Kuwait.

Secretary of State Baker told the NATO allies meeting in Brussels today that Saddam is likely to take what he termed a ''dramatic step'' on or around January 15th. That's the deadline set for Iraq to get out of Kuwait in a U-N Security Council resolution. Baker said the Iraqis might even announce a partial withdrawal from Kuwait in action designed to cripple the will of the international coalition arrayed against Iraq.

News reports in Haiti say a victory celebration turned bloody today when soldiers fired into a crowd of election revelers outside a church. A pregnant woman reportedly was killed and 18 other people were wounded. It was the only such event reported in the Haitian presidential election. International observers gave the vote process a clean bill despite some problems.

The new Lebanese ambassador to the Vatican presented his credentials to Pope John Paul today and invited the pontiff to visit Lebanon. Ambassador Antoine Jemha told the pope that all Lebanese would welcome him- quoting now- ''in a climate of unity and restored peace.'' He referred to the end of the bloody civil war that wracked Beirut for 15 years.

President Bush appears to be signaling a dramatic shift in style at the Education Department. He announced today that he is nominating former Tennessee governor Lamar Alexander to be Education Secretary, succeeding the low-profile Lauro Cavazos, who resigned. Alexander promoted education reform during his two terms as Tennessee governor, including a new merit-pay program for teachers.

The 11th U-S Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta today granted an indefinite stay of execution to a convicted murderer who was 17 when he killed a cabdriver in 1977. The human rights group Amnesty International petitioned the court to stay the scheduled execution tomorrow of Christopher Burger. The group also asked the Georgia Board of Pardons and Paroles for clemency for Burger. Amnesty International argued that Burger's young age was NOT revealed to the jury at his trial, nor was the fact that he suffered brain damage because of repeated beatings during his childhood.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	19	4	.826	-
Philadelphia	15	7	.682	3 1/2

New York	10	11	.476	8
New Jersey	8	14	.364	10 1/2
Washington	7	15	.318	11 1/2
Miami	5	16	.238	13

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	16	7	.696	-
Detroit	14	8	.636	1 1/2
Chicago	14	8	.636	1 1/2
Atlanta	11	11	.500	4 1/2
Cleveland	10	14	.417	6 1/2
Charlotte	8	13	.381	6 1/2
Indiana	9	15	.375	7 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	14	5	.737	-
Utah	15	8	.652	1
Houston	13	10	.565	3
Dallas	7	13	.350	7 1/2
Minnesota	7	14	.333	8
Denver	5	17	.227	10 1/2
Orlando	5	19	.208	11 1/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	21	2	.913	-
Phoenix	13	7	.650	6 1/2
LA Lakers	13	7	.650	6 1/2
Golden State	13	9	.591	7 1/2
LA Clippers	10	12	.455	10 1/2
Seattle	7	13	.350	12 1/2
Sacramento	5	15	.250	14 1/2

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(DEC. 18) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Washington	2	1	0	--3
N.Y. Rangers	1	2	2	--5

First period-1, Washington, Ciccarelli 6 (Joyce, Langway), 9:10. 2, NY Rangers Ogrodnick 16 (Kisio, Mullen), 15:59. 3, Washington, Johansson 5 (Ridley, Bondra), 19:25.

Penalties-Joyce, Was, 1:33; King, NYR, 1:33; Turcotte, NYR, 1:33; Hunter, Was,

7:41; Mallette, NYR, 7:41; Kypreos, Was, minor-major (fighting), 9:57; Moller, NYR, 9:57; Janssens, NYR, major (fighting), 9:57; Ciccarelli, Was, 10:40; Hunter, Was, 13:56; Leetch, NYR, 17:52.

Second period-4, Washington, Kel. Miller 7 (Rouse, Ciccarelli), 12:17. 5, NY Rangers, Kisio 4 (Patrick, Leetch), pp, 15:01. 6, NY Rangers, Nicholls 14 (Gartner, Hardy), 19:47.

Penalties-Tatarinov, Was, 3:22; Turcotte, NYR, 3:22; Rouse, Was, 7:52; Janssens, NYR, 7:52; Bergland, Was, 13:55; Shaw, NYR, 17:17.

Third period-7, NY Rangers, Sheppard 14 (Nicholls, Leetch), pp, 4:45. 8, NY Rangers, Ogrodnick 17 (Mullen, Kisio), 15:16.

Penalties-Hunter, Was, 2:49; Moller, NYR, 9:17; Patrick, NYR, 15:48.

Shots on goal-Washington 11-8-10-29, NY Rangers 8-15-8-31.

Power-play conversions-Washington 5-1, NY Rangers 4-2.

Goaltenders-Washington, Liut. NY Rangers, Richter. A-15,772.

Referee-Rob Shick.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - President Bush said today that developments do not ''bode well'' for Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. During a picture- taking session at the White House, Bush said- quoting now- ''None of us wants war, but none is prepared to accept a partial solution.'' And he said Iraq's behavior so far underscores ''a lack of interest in a peaceful solution'' to the Persian Gulf crisis.

In Brussels, NATO foreign ministers today issued a strongly worded statement reiterating there can be ''NO partial solutions'' to the gulf crisis. U-S Secretary of State Baker warned the ministers that Iraq may withdraw partially from Kuwait around the January 15th U-N deadline. But Baker said the alliance should stand firm against partial solutions to the standoff. He said he's still willing to go to Baghdad to meet face- to-face with Saddam Hussein, but he says the Iraqi president is still intent on trying to undercut the ''collective will of the international community to use force.''

President Bush today nominated former Tennessee Governor Lamar Alexander to head the Education Department. In moving quickly to replace Lauro Cavazos, who resigned last week, Bush hopes to revitalize his flagging campaign to improve education. Alexander is a highly regarded activist educator who has been widely involved in educational reform efforts. With Alexander at his side,

Bush said- ''NO governor in the country is so clearly identified with the imperative to improve education.''

Also today, the White House announced that President Bush has asked the Education Department to go back and review its controversial ruling that ''race-exclusive'' scholarships are discriminatory and illegal. Spokesman MarlinFitzwater said Bush was ''very disturbed about the ruling'' and indicated it soon could be overturned. Fitzwater says the president believes minority scholarships have been important for economic growth and development and for education opportunity.

It's still NOT official yet, but international observers say the Reverend Jean-Bertrand Aristide- a charismatic 37-year-old Catholic priest- appears to have won yesterday's presidential election in Haiti. But a victory celebration turned bloody today when soldiers fired into a crowd of revelers outside a church where Aristide survived an assassination attempt in 1987. News reports say a pregnant woman was killed today and 18 other people were wounded, including two children.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - President Bush says he doesn't want war with Iraq, but he says he's NOT prepared to accept a partial solution to the Persian Gulf standoff. Bush says he's determined that Iraq withdraw its troops from- quote- ''every square inch of Kuwait.''

Secretary of States Baker says he's still willing to go to Baghdad to meet face-to-face with Saddam Hussein. But he says the Iraqi president is still intent on trying to undercut what he called the ''collective will of the international community to use force.''

Meanwhile, notorious Palestinian terrorist Mohammed Abul Abbas is threatening to attack Western interests world-wide if Iraq is attacked. The Iraqi news agency INA quotes Abbas as saying U-S facilities around the globe have been targeted.

In Moscow, Soviet President Gorbachev is shrugging off a failed vote of NO confidence in his performance as president. Gorbachev today urged the Congress of People's Deputies to hold a national referendum to ''allow every citizen'' to vote on the fate of the Soviet Union.

It's death in the gas chamber for California wine country killer Ramon Salcido. He was sentenced to death today for the grisly 1989 murders of seven people- including his two young daughters, his wife, her two sisters, her mother and a co-worker.

A new trial has been ordered in the rape case of an Oshkosh, Wisconsin, woman

who claims to have 46 personalities. A Winnebago County Circuit judge ordered that Mark Peterson be tried again, acknowledging he erred in refusing to allow a defense psychiatrist to interview the victim.

A reprieve today for condemned Georgia killer Christopher Burger. A federal appeals court in Atlanta today granted an indefinite stay of execution for Burger, who was scheduled to die in the electric chair tomorrow. Burger was 17 when he killed a cab driver in 1977.

The human rights group Amnesty International had petitioned the court to stay Burger's execution, saying he suffered brain damage from numerous beatings during his childhood. The group also asked the state Board of Pardons and Paroles for clemency for Burger.

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(DEC. 17) UPI - President Bush says the Persian Gulf standoff is NOT simply the United States against Iraq. He says it's ''Iraq against the world.'' Bush reiterates he's NOT in a ''threatening mode'' to force Saddam Hussein to withdraw his forces from Kuwait. But the president insists there will be- quote- ''NO negotiations, NO concessions for one inch of territory'' in Kuwait. And he says Saddam is wrong if he thinks the United States is bluffing in its demand for total withdrawal of Iraqi troops by January 15th.

A government report today blasted the space agency for failing to properly maintain its nationwide network of facilities. The General Accounting Office report says many of NASA's facilities are in degraded condition and need significant repair. The report says the facilities' deterioration has lead to several serious incidents, including a fire in a mission control building and a steam line explosion.

The leaders of five Central American nations wound up their ninth summit today in Costa Rica with a call for Salvadoran rebels to end their decade-old civil war. Some 300 people have been killed in less than a month in the rebels' latest military offensive. The presidents of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua issued a joint statement urging the rebels to take advantage of the willingness of El Salvador's government to negotiate.

A magazine survey indicates an increasing number of Roman Catholic priests favor the ordination of women. The magazine U-S Catholic says in its January issue that 59 percent of the priests surveyed said women should be ordained... compared with 48 percent in a 1975 survey. The poll said that even though 61 percent of the respondents- including laywomen, laymen and clergy- support the ordination of women, the majority believe it's unlikely they will see a female Catholic priest in their lifetime.

California BILLIONAIRE investor Kirk Kerkorian apparently was just looking for

a good investment when he made a 272-Million-dollar purchase of a nearly 10 percent stake in Chrysler Corporation in the past two months. That's according to papers filed in Washington today with the Securities Exchange Commission by Kerkorian's Tracinda Corporation. A spokesman for the 73-year-old investor said the filing reiterates the move is a ''passive investment'' and that ''there are NO plans'' to mount a hostile takeover of the Number-three automaker.

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RENO, NV (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - International Game Technology announced Tuesday it has entered into a letter of intent to merge Video Lottery Consultants Inc. -- a Montana manufacturer of lottery systems and terminals utilizing video screens -- into the company.

Subject to obtaining all necessary governmental approvals, suitable due diligence reviews and final board of directors approvals, the merger would be effective in exchange for 892,837 shares of newly issued SEC 144 Stock or equivalent common shares of IGAM representing a purchase price of $13,616,069 with the SEC 144 Stock IGAM shares valued at $15.25 per share on the date of the letter of intent.

When completed, Video Lottery Consultants and IGT will provide advanced video lottery control technology and terminals to the lottery industry worldwide. VLC offices and manufacturing facilities will remain in Bozeman, Mont., where the already 100-plus employee base is certain to grow.

Recent expansion efforts have boosted production to 200 video lottery terminals per week, and management expects this trend to continue.

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CARLSBAD, CA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - ISIS Pharmaceuticals on Tuesday announced it has signed a five-year cooperative agreement with Eisai Company Ltd. to discover and develop novel antisense oligonucleotides as potential human diagnostic and therapeutic products.

The terms of the agreement call for the companies to jointly pursue a mutually selected molecular disease target, according to Stanley T. Crooke, chief executive officer of ISIS Pharmaceuticals.

''This agreement supports our efforts to diversify our repertoire of molecular targets and provides the opportunity to work in collaboration with a leading

Japanese pharmaceutical company,'' Crooke said.

The cooperative research program, whose activities will be directed by an ISIS and Eisai joint management team, will focus on creating antisense oligonucleotides designed to diagnose the presence of, and treat disease associated with, a viral target.

The use of antisense oligonucleotides as therapeutic agents represents a powerful new model for drug discovery: specific inhibition of the production of proteins that cause disease. Oligonucleotides inhibit various steps in the transfer of information in the genome to proteins.

Under this agreement, ISIS will receive an option fee, research funding and milestone payments. Eisai visiting scientists will join the ISIS scientific staff. Financial terms of the cooperative research program have not been disclosed.

Eisai Company Ltd., with headquarters in Tokyo, is a major pharmaceutical company in Japan. With more than 4,000 employees, Eisai has worldwide sales of $1.5 billion. The company has an active and varied research and development program and is striving to globalize its operations under the direction of Haruo Naito, president and chief executive officer.

Located in northern San Diego County, ISIS Pharmaceuticals is engaged in the discovery, development and marketing of novel human therapeutic products based on antisense oligonucleotides.

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COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Max & Erma's Restaurants Inc. (NASDAQ:MAXE) reported record annual revenues and fully-taxed earnings for the year ended Oct. 28, resulting in part from a 25 percent gain in total revenue and a lower effective tax rate.

For fiscal 1990, the company reported total revenues of $30,344,000, fully-taxed income and net income of $836,000 or 25 cents per share as compared to revenues of $24,330,000, fully-taxed income of $835,000 or 29 cents per share and net income of $1,188,000 or 41 cents per share. Net income for 1989 was aided by a $353,000 (12 cents per share) tax benefit of a net operating loss carryforward.

The company also reported record fourth quarter revenues of $7,464,000, a 30 percent increase over fourth quarter 1989 revenues of $5,718,000. The company

reported net income for the fourth quarter of $126,000 or 4 cents per share as compared to $226,000 or 7 cents per share for the fourth quarter of 1989. Results for the fourth quarter of 1989 include a $26,000 or 1 cent per share tax benefit of a net operating loss carryforward.

Todd Barnum, president, chief executive officer and chairman of the board said that he is pleased with the year's accomplishments. He noted that during the year the company opened five restaurants, a 42 percent increase over the number of restaurants in operation at the end of 1989. He added that the five new restaurants have opened well and on average are achieving sales approximately 15 percent above the average of older restaurants.

He also went on to say he is pleased that while achieving this unprecedented growth, the company still reported the fourth consecutive year of same store sales gains and was able to maintain control over corporate overhead. Barnum added that while the growth has not yet positively impacted the company's earnings, he is absolutely confident that as these new restaurants become seasoned, mature operations they will significantly contribute to earnings.

Barnum noted, however, that consumer concerns over the economy, the Middle East, and a shifting sales mix resulted in soft sales and profits for the fourth quarter. He noted that programs are in place to stimulate sales with new menu items and responsible beverage promotions. He added that by late fiscal 1990 the downward trend of beverage sales had leveled off.

Barnum went on to say that clearly the focus in 1991 is to bring profit margins at new restaurants in line with company averages, which generally happens as the staff at new restaurants gains experience. He noted that although the economy is beyond their control, the company's strong financial condition puts it in a position to maximize opportunities created by an uncertain economy.

Max & Erma's Restaurants Inc. operates 18 restaurants in Columbus and Dayton, Ohio; Indianapolis; Detroit; Pittsburgh; Lexington, Ky. and franchises one restaurant in Canton, Ohio.

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PALO ALTO, CA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Varian Associates Inc. Tuesday announced it has signed a letter of intent to sell its TVT broadcast transmitter business in Cambridge, England, to Harris Corp. of Melbourne, Fla.

Terms of the transaction, which is subject to the negotiation of a definitive agreement, were not disclosed.

TVT is one of several non-core businesses and product lines that Varian indicated it would divest under a restructuring program announced last spring. TVT produces and markets UHF-TV and other broadcasting equipment for markets around the world.

The unit has annual sales of some $25 million and employs approximately 200 persons at its Cambridge facility. Its U.S. marketing and customer service activities are based in Dallas.

Varian Associates Inc. is a diversified high-technology company with sales in excess of $1 billion annually. With headquarters in Palo Alto, it provides components and services for medical, communications, scientific, industrial and defense markets worldwide.

Harris Corp., with worldwide sales of over $3 billion, is focused on four major businesses: electronic systems, semiconductors, communications and office equipment.

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WALNUT CREEK, CA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The AG Group, developer of the Ethernet LAN analysis package EtherPeek, Tuesday introduced LocalPeek, a LocalTalk-based LAN analysis application that provides easy-to-use network tracking and diagnostic capabilities, along with a wide array of graphical viewing options.

Available Feb. 1, 1991, LocalPeek will run on any Macintosh personal computer, including the Macintosh Classic, the Macintosh LC and the complete line of Macintosh SE and II computers. The AG Group will show LocalPeek at Macworld Expo in San Francisco, Jan. 10-14, 1991 (booth 5601, Brooks Hall).

''We developed LocalPeek in response to tremendous customer demand for a LocalTalk product,'' said Timothy McCreery, president of the AG Group. ''We want to give LAN administrators, both Ethernet and LocalTalk-based, easy access to straightforward network monitoring tools that will optimize network performance.''

LocalPeek is the AG Group's second product for LAN analysis. EtherPeek, AG Group's first product, began shipping in April 1990. EtherPeek is a local area network analysis package for Ethernet networks. It provides multiple options for capturing network data, comprehensive tools for filtering and decoding a variety of network protocols, and color charts for viewing network statistics.

Like EtherPeek, LocalPeek provides LAN managers with detailed information on network traffic, node failures, daily usage of individual computers and peripherals, routing or configuration errors, and other network functions. Multiple full-color graphs display network data.

A single LocalPeek package, running on a Macintosh on LocalTalk, provides analysis for small or large LANs, including information about gateway performance and internetwork use of LocalTalk-based peripherals.

LocalPeek lists for $495. It will be available beginning Feb. 1, 1991, directly from the AG Group at 2540 Camino Diablo, Suite 202, Walnut Creek, Calif. 94596. For more information, customers can call 415/937-7900 or contact the AG Group via AppleLink (ag.group).

The AG Group specializes in easy-to-use software tools for network setup, management, maintenance and expansion. The company was founded in early 1990 by Timothy McCreery and Mahboud Zabetian, with the goal of utilizing the Macintosh interface to provide affordable and effective network management tools for integrated, multivendor LANs.

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MORRISTOWN, NJ (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Computer Systems Tuesday announced that TRW has selected the AT&T RHAPSODY(TM) Business Orchestration Solution to increase the efficiency and productivity of a portion of its purchasing operations in Redondo Beach, Calif.

TRW said the Rhapsody System will be the technology platform used to re-engineer the purchasing process by coordinating the flow of work and information between all the people and systems involved in the process.

The value of the contract was not disclosed.

The Rhapsody System will link 80 people working on AT&T 6386/25 WorkGroup Systems (WGS). Users will have access to applications and files located on their own desktop computers as well as to software and workflow automation capabilities residing on UNIX(R) system-based servers. Rhapsody also will provide easy access to applications and files stored on an IBM mainframe. Image management features will enable users to scan and store purchase orders electronically.

Rhapsody is a networked software application that integrates electronic

messaging, an intuitive user interface and popular personal productivity tools such as spreadsheets and word processing, with one of the first robust implementations of workflow automation available in the market.

Workflow automation coordinates the activities of workgroup members. First, users define the steps necessary to complete a group task, such as processing purchase requisitions, preparing requests for quotes or compiling proposals. Then Rhapsody automates the flow of work among everyone involved in the process.

For example, the Rhapsody System can be programmed to gather information from spreadsheets or files, send tasks to people, ask others for data, schedule meetings, arrange teleconferences, put reminders on calendars, distribute reports for review and flag potential problems. Throughout the process, the Rhapsody System reacts to outcomes of earlier decisions and tracks the project's status.

The Rhapsody System is an advanced implementation of networked computing, in which personal computers called are linked together by more powerful microprocessor- omputers called servers. Servers enable networked computers to share files, printers and application software.

The Rhapsody System has been recognized as one of the best products of 1990 by UNIX World, Lotus Magazine and Datamation.

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LAFAYETTE, CO (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Aspen Imaging International Inc. (formerly Aspen Ribbons Inc.) (NASDAQ:ARIB) announced Tuesday that it has repurchased all the shares of the company stock held by William M. Schiffmacher, former co-founder.

In connection with the repurchase, Schiffmacher resigned as an officer and director of Aspen Imaging, but will continue in a consulting capacity as needed by the company.

''Bill has been involved with the company only in a consulting capacity since April 1989,'' said Florine N. Nath, chief financial officer. ''We believe this is a good investment for the company and enhances shareholder value at the

same time.''

Aspen Imaging International is a leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of ribbon cartridges and laser printer cartridges for the computer industry.

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AKRON, OH (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Ohio Edison Co. Tuesday declared the following quarterly dividend on the company's stock:

Amount Stock	Record Per Share	Payable Date	Date
	Preferred Stock	Adjustable	
Rate Series B	$.62813	Jan. 15, 1991	Jan. 29, 1991

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of American Building Maintenance Industries Inc. (NYSE:ABM) declared a quarterly dividend of 23.5 cents per share for payment on Feb. 5, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 15, 1991.

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SCOTTS VALLEY, CA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Meridian Data Tuesday announced that Christen M. Armbrust will serve as director of its newly formed Customer Service Group.

In making the announcement, Michael Prussian, co-founder and chief operating officer of Meridian Data, cited Armbrust's 18-years of experience in both customer support and CD ROM technology as key among the many assets he brings to the company.

Prior to joining Meridian Data, Armbrust served as senior engineer for support technology in Hewlett-Packard's Product Support Division. In this position, he developed and implemented a number of ongoing programs to assure customer

satisfaction through the consistent delivery of effective product support tools. In addition, he played an instrumental role in HP's CD ROM programs, using Meridian Data systems to design numerous CD ROM-based products.

His 18-year HP tenure also included successful implementation of in-house and customer site service groups.

Prussian noted that the new Customer Service Group maintains responsibility for three critical business areas, including:

1. Comprehensive Customer Support and Consultation Services -- Global telephone support -- 800 number technical support -- Training -- Seminars -- Customized CD ROM, multimedia and networking solutions

2. Data preparation and publishing of customer CD ROM-based titles. 3. Selected production of internal CD ROM-based titles for commercial applications.

''We're finding that a growing number of customers want assistance with their CD ROM-related programs,'' said Prussian. ''By placing all of our customers services under one umbrella, we can better meet this need.''

Meridian Data is the world's leading provider of CD ROM publishing, premastering, networking, and multimedia system solutions. Its products are found in Fortune 1000 companies, universities, and government agencies for use on PC's and Macintosh computers. Meridian's products embrace a variety of CD based interactive media, including CD ROM XA and CD-I. The privately held company has headquarters in Scotts Valley, with offices in Reston, Va. and The Netherlands.

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SCOTTS VALLEY, CA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Meridian Data Tuesday announced six solution-oriented promotional packages for the premastering, mastering and networking of CD ROMs, as well as CD ROM-based multimedia development.

The special promotion applies to all packages purchased between Dec. 15, 1990 and Jan. 31, 1991.

Meridian Data joined forces with industry leaders, Autodesk and Authorware, in putting together the promotion's comprehensive product offering. Through

these cooperative relationships, Meridian Data assembled total CD ROM solutions at cost savings of up to $7,500 per package.

1. Multimedia -- Discounts on Meridian Data's CD ROM-based multimedia development software (CD ROM XA) and systems (VR Producer).

2. Mastering -- Ten free master discs ($800 value) and a $7,500 savings on maintenance, installation and training contracts, with the purchase of VRS professional (recordable CD).

3. Networking -- $5,000 in leading CD ROM titles (Authorware, Autodesk, Microsoft); and a one-year extended warranty with the purchase of CD Net, Meridian Data's solution to integrating CD ROM drives into a standard LAN.

4. Free Mastering -- Meridian Data will master the first tape prepared on any new CD Publisher or VR Publisher system free and provide an additional 50 replicas.

5. Premastering -- Free first tape mastering plus 50 replicas with purchase of CD/VR Publisher system.

6. Access -- Macintosh or IBM-Compatible CD ROM drives for only $600.

Meridian Data is the world's leading provider of CD ROM publishing, premastering, networking and multimedia system solutions. Its products are found in Fortune 1000 companies, universities and government agencies for use on PC's and Macintosh computers. Meridian's products embrace a variety of CD-based interactive media, including CD ROM XA and CD-I.

The privately held company has headquarters in Scotts Valley, with offices in Reston, Va. and The Netherlands.

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RICHARDSON, TX (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Micrografx Inc. (NASDAQ:MGXI) Tuesday strengthened its management by creating the new executive positions of chief operating officer (COO) and president, Micrografx Europe.

In addition, the earlier appointment of vice presidents of development, sales, and operations was announced.

The company's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, J. Paul Grayson, assumes

overall corporate strategic planning and business development while the company's President, George D. Grayson, takes on the additional new role of COO. As President and COO, George D. Grayson now is responsible for the company's operations, finance, sales, marketing, and research and development.

Chief Financial Officer Joseph A. Kupke has been appointed to the new position of president, Micrografx Europe, and will assume that post once Micrografx appoints a new CFO. Kupke, a co-founder of the company, has overseen the company's financial growth from its first full year of operations through its initial public offering completed in July.

Kupke now is responsible for all European activities, including the opening of operations in new countries and establishing new subsidiaries.

''Micrografx has experienced a tremendous 1990, and the management moves we're making today poise us for continued strong growth,'' said J. Paul Grayson. ''We're strengthening our management team domestically, and we're preparing to expand our activity in Europe. Joe Kupke has the experience needed to build and manage our operations in that growing market.''

In addition to these changes, the company announced the earlier appointment of three new vice presidents.

The company promoted Rebecca Ellington to vice president of sales. Ellington joined the Micrografx in 1985, and has since served as international sales manager, director of international sales, and most recently, director of sales.

Ellington established the company's international sales program, including the establishment of four European subsidiaries, which now accounts for more than 45 percent of the company's revenues. Her new responsibilities include developing longterm worldwide sales strategy as well as overseeing the company's sales force, orchestrating sales programs, and maintaining relations with the company's network of computer resellers.

Lyle Griffin, previously director of product development, has been promoted to vice president of research and development. Griffin, who has been with the company since 1984, has developed several of Micrografx's most successful products, including initial versions of the award-winning Designer, the industry's leading professional illustration and graphics program.

Griffin is now responsible for managing all areas of product research and development, including systems and application software, documentation, and product localization, as well as testing and support.

Chuck Stark has joined the company as vice president of operations. Prior to joining Micrografx, Stark served as VP of finance and chief financial officer with Antrim Corp. Stark previously served in various finance, MIS and operating roles with AMR Travel Services, and Abbott Laboratories. With more

than 20 years of experience in operational management, Stark is responsible for financial reporting, accounting, information systems, and production. Stark, Ellington and Griffin all report to George Grayson.

Micrografx was founded in 1982 and completed an initial public offering in July of this year. The company markets its software products worldwide through a network of distributors and dealers. Its comprehensive family of products includes Micrografx Charisma, Micrografx Designer, Micrografx Draw Plus, Micrograx XPort, and a variety of ClipArt collections.

Micrografx generates nearly half of its revenues outside the United States and has over 200 employees in the United States, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, and the United Kingdom.

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DENVER (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Public Service Co. of Colorado's board of directors, Tuesday, Dec. 18, 1990, declared quarterly dividends on all outstanding common and preferred stock.

The board declared a 50-cent per share dividend on common stock, payable Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 11, 1991. The dividend is the same as the previous quarter.

Regular quarterly dividends on all series of cumulative preferred stock have been declared payable March 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Feb. 8, 1991.

CONTACT: Public Service Co. of Colorado, Denver
Media Relations, 303/571-7726

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RIVERSIDE, CA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Al Kelly, founder and president of Kelly Motors Ltd., announced Tuesday the completion of the company's first limited-production, high-performance sports car: the Kelly Python.

Assembled in Riverside, these handcrafted automobiles utilize a ''muscle car'' design created by Ford Motor Co. in the 1960s, but never before manufactured. According to Kelly, only 100 cars will be produced in 1991, to ensure the highest degree of quality control and exclusivity for Python owners.

Marketing of the Kelly Python will be through the Ford and Lincoln Mercury dealer network on an individual option basis, as well as through specialty

auto dealers nationwide. Kelly said the expected retail price of the car will be in the mid-$30,000 range.

''We expect strong acceptance from dealers eager to fill a void in their product line with a high-performance sports car,'' he said. ''In addition, the Python will be a valuable draw to increase customer traffic through dealerships.''

CONTACT: Ponderosa Capital Corp., Nut Tree, Calif.
John Power, 707/447-7733

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - A lawsuit for unspecified damages has been filed in the Superior Court of California against McDonald's Corp., the restaurant chain, for alleged wrongful termination of employment for violating the California Occupational Safety and Health Act (Cal OSHA), brought by the plaintiff, Libby Ghanim, according to Noel Shipman, attorney for Ghanim.

The suit alleges that Ghanim, a 10-year employee of McDonald's, was wrongfully terminated as a result of her refusal to work because of alleged unsafe conditions at the company-owned restaurant in Downey, Calif., following an injurious assault on herself and three other McDonald's employees by several teenage customers.

According to the suit, on July 29, 1989, at about 10 p.m., Ghanim and 3 other female employees of McDonald's were alone, without a manager or an assistant manager, when they were assaulted and beaten by several teenage customers of the restaurant.

Ghanim was asked to ''turn in her keys'' when she informed her store manager that she was afraid to work at the restaurant because of McDonald's failure to provide adequate security for its employees.

Ghanim, who had expressed concern about security at the store on previous occasions, was then informed on her notice of termination that she was ineligible for rehire at any of the McDonald's restaurants nationwide.

The assault is but one of a string of assaults and robberies to befall employees of fast food restaurants in the Los Angeles area.

The suit alleges that McDonald's termination of Ghanim violates the Labor Code of the State of California, Code Sections 6300-6711, which prohibit discrimination against employees who make oral or written complaints about workplace safety to either their employer or a governmental agency.

Further, Labor Code Section 6311 forbids the termination or layoff of an

employee who refuses to work in conditions which violate the provisions of Cal OSHA.

Attorney Shipman expressed bemusement at ''McDonald's hypocrisy in the firing of a loyal female employee because she had been beaten up while at the same time the corporation projects a caring image to the public through its advertising.''

Ghanim, a mother of three, had been employed as a swing crew chief earning $6.50 per hour at the McDonald's company-owned store.

CONTACT: Kensington & Co., Los Angeles
Stephen M. Rapier, 213/417-8533.

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NEWARK, CA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Two Count Holding Co. Tuesday announced that a significant part of its ice cream novelty distribution business will be lost, effective immediately.

This loss results from a decision by Dove International (a division of Mars Inc.) to discontinue supplying its products to Two Count and to deal with a different distributor in the future.

During the past few years, the Dove family of products has accounted for approximately 10 to 15 percent of Two Count's business.

William P. Walsh, chairman of Two Count Holding Co., expressed his disappointment in losing the distribution rights for the Dove products and acknowledged that a substantial restructuring of company operations will be necessary to adjust Two Count's operating costs to affordable levels provided by current revenues.

As adjustments to operations are undertaken, priorities will continue to be given to providing excellent service to existing customers.

Two Count, a publicly traded company since April 1988, is a leading distributor of ice cream and related products, serving supermarkets, convenience stores, health care facilities and schools, throughout Northern California.

CONTACT: Two Count Holding Co., Newark
Robert Walsh or Ned Smith, 415/795-4100

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PALO ALTO, CALIF. (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Tab Products Co. (ASE:TBP) reported revenues for the second quarter ended Nov. 30 of $33,964,000, a 9 percent decrease from the $37,287,000 registered during the second quarter of the prior fiscal year.

Net earnings for the quarter of $1,276,000 were down 26 percent from the $1,729,000 reported last fiscal year. On a per-share basis, second quarter earnings were 19 cents, compared with 26 cents for the like period last year.

For the six months ended Nov. 30, revenues were $66,724,000, a 6 percent decrease from the $70,848,000 registered during the prior year. Net earnings of $2,545,000, or 38 cents per share, were down 14 percent from the $2,961,000 or 45 cents per share, earned during the corresponding period a year ago.

Headquartered in Palo Alto, Tab manufactures and markets office filing and furniture systems which are sold worldwide.

Tab Products Co.

3 months ended Nov. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$33,964,000	$37,287,000
Earnings before taxes	2,091,000	2,834,000
Income taxes	815,000	1,105,000
Net earnings	$1,276,000	1,729,000
Earnings per share	19 cents	26 cents
6 months ended Nov. 30	1990	1989
Revenues	$66,724,000	$70,848,000
Earnings before taxes	4,170,000	4,856,000
Income taxes	1,625,000	1,895,000
Net earnings	$2,545,000	2,961,000
Earnings per share	38 cents	45 cents
Common share outstanding	6,737,284	6,600,161

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or
Cameron Associates
Kevin Costello, 212/683-4545

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ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of CPC International Inc. Tuesday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share, payable Jan. 25, 1991 to stockholders of record on Jan. 2, 1991. This will be CPC International's 286th consecutive quarterly dividend.

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William C. Parker, 201/894-2555.

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PROVIDENCE, R.I. (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Providence Energy Corp. (AMEX:PVY) has sold the assets of its subsidiary Arrowhead Propane Corp. (Arrowhead) to Ferrellgas Inc. of Liberty, Mo., for cash.

Arrowhead, headquartered in Tiverton, R.I., operates a retail propane distribution business serving approximately 4,800 customers, primarily in Rhode Island.

''The sale of the propane unit reinforces Providence Energy's commitment to focus on the natural gas distribution business. This sale also illustrates that Providence Energy will consider divestiture of assets that are not producing satisfactory profit levels or enhancing its primary natural gas distribution business,'' said James H. Dodge, president and chief executive officer of Providence Energy.

Providence Energy serves as the holding company and parent of Rhode Island's largest gas distribution company, Providence Gas Co. Providence Energy utility subsidiaries provide natural gas service to over 155,000 accounts in Providence, Newport and 24 other cities and towns in Rhode Island and nearby Massachusetts.

CONTACT: Providence Energy Corp., Providence Harry J. Bishop, 401/831-0291
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-30- 1412
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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - HarCor Energy Inc. (NASDAQ:HARC) Tuesday announced the acquisition of certain property interests in Lea County, New Mexico, from an undisclosed major oil company.

In the purchase, HarCor acquired a 42 percent working interest in three producing wells with an estimated 130,000 barrels of proved producing oil and oil equivalent.

At a purchase price of $692,400 the acquisition represented a cost of $5.33 per barrel with an effective date of Oct. 1, 1990.

HarCor's purchase of these reserves was through an expanded credit facility with Dutch-based NMB Postbank Groep, n.v. Under the terms of the new credit arrangement, NMB is providing a $5 million revolving credit facility with a conversion to a four-year-straight amortization in July 1991.

As a consequence of stronger world oil prices and an intensive engineering review of its recently acquired properties. HarCor announced that it plans to spend approximately $1 million during 1991 for various production enhancement projects on its existing properties. The projects include recompletions, in-fill drilling and the installation of two-pilot waterflood projects.

Commenting on these announcements, Mark Harrington, HarCor's chairman and chief executive officer, said: ''This recent acquisition brings our 1990 program of property acquisitions to a total of 335,000 barrels of royalty and working interest oil-equivalent reserves purchased at an average cost of $4.67 per barrel on a working-interest basis.

''We are extremely pleased with the continued support of our banker, NMB Postbank Groep, n.v., which has facilitated our acquisition program.''

HarCor Energy is a Los Angeles-based independent oil and gas company with operations in the United States and in Canada through Consolidated HCO Energy Ltd.

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or
Kehoe, White, Savage & Co. Inc.
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SEYMOUR, IN (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ:HOMF) announced a second quarter dividend of 7.5 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 20, 1990.

Home Federal is a federally chartered, FDIC insured savings bank founded in 1908, operating 13 full service offices in southeastern Indiana.

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John K. Keach Jr. or Nancy O. Morris, 812/376-3323
1-800/876-4372

-30- 698
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FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Lomak Petroleum Inc. (NASDAQ:LOMK) (Lomak), announced that at a special meeting held earlier Tuesday, the

shareholders of Dallas Oil & Minerals Inc. (DOIL) approved the merger of DOIL into Lomak.

At the DOIL meeting, 5.8 million shares were voted with approximately 89 percent voting in favor of the merger. As a result of the merger, each share of DOIL common stock wil be converted into one share of Lomak common stock.

DOIL shareholders who, based on their ownership on Nov. 20, 1990, owned less than 200 shares of DOIL common stock will receive cash for their stock unless they specifically elected to receive Lomak common stock.

The DOIL shares will be suspended from trading on NASDAQ at the close of business Tuesday. Letters of transmittal instructing DOIL shareholders on how to exchange their shares for Lomak shares will be mailed beginning early next week. Lomak expects to issue approximately 5.5 million shares of its common stock to the DOIL shareholders.

Lomak's oil and gas properties are located principally in Ohio while DOIL's properties are located primarily in Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma. In November 1990, Lomak announced that it had acquired Michigan Oil Co. (MOC) in a joint venture with an industry partner.

Lomak acquired 10 percent of MOC and has the right to increase its share to 50 percent over the next six months. MOC's properties are located principally in Michigan, Mississippi, Nebraska and Canada. Lomak now owns interests in approximately 1,100 wells and manages field operations on approximately 900 wells.

Lomak is engaged in the acquisition, production and development of oil and gas properties and provides field services ancillary to the oil industry.

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BERKELEY, CALIF (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - TENERA L.P. (ASE:TLP) Tuesday announced that it will increase its quarterly cash distribution to 21 cents per unit.

TENERA will make its next cash distribution on or about Jan. 10, 1991, to unitholders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

In commenting on this increase in the quarterly cash distribution, Don K. Davis, chairman and chief executive officer of TENERA's general partner, said: ''Our operating performance has improved steadily over the last several years

and we are now generating significantly greater earnings than our 20 cents regular quarterly cash distribution.

''TENERA has also demonstrated over the last several years that it can achieve significant growth with low marginal investment. TENERA's current performance levels should allow additional increases in the cash distribution consistent with maintaining appropriate levels of working capital.

''The board of directors of the general partner will continue its quarterly evaluation of the appropriate level of cash distribution to provide unitholders the maximum return on their investment in TENERA L.P.''

TENERA L.P. provides professional services and software products for utilities and large industrial corporations through offices in Arizona, California, Connecticut, Idaho, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Carolina, Tennessee and Paris, France.

CONTACT: TENERA L.P., Berkeley John J. Flavio Jr., 415/845-5200

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ALBANY, NY (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. (ASE:LWR) has announced a 9 cents per share dividend to stockholders for the fourth quarter of 1990.

The dividend payment was approved by the board of directors of Lawrence Insurance Group at the Dec. 13 board meeting in Albany.

Lawrence Insurance Group will pay a total of $1,270,933 on Jan. 29 to stockholders of record as of Jan. 7, bringing the total for the year to $5,083,732.

Through its subsidiaries, Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. is currently licensed in 45 states and Washington, D.C., with applications in process in the remainder. The group is comprised of United Community Insurance Co., United Republic Reinsurance Co., Senate Insurance Co. and Commercial Resources Insurance Co.

Executive offices of Lawrence Insurance Group Inc. are located at 500 Fifth Ave., New York City, while operating headquarters are at 33 Elk St., Albany.

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LAKEWOOD, CO (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Caspen Oil Inc. reported oil and gas sales of $1,020,748 for the first three months of fiscal 1991, as compared to $1,305,182 for the same period in the prior year.

Total revenues for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990 were $1,053,502 as compared to total revenues for the first three months of fiscal 1990 of $1,370,598. Caspen's net loss for the period was $599,158 compared to $284,464 for the same period in fiscal 1990.

After preferred dividend requirements, the company recorded a loss applicable to the common stock of $775,696, or $0.05 cents per share, compared to a loss in the prior year of $461,002, or $0.03 cents per share.

Caspen Oil Inc. is an American Stock Exchange listed company engaged in oil and gas exploration, production and acquisitions primarily in the southwestern United States. On Oct. 31, 1990, the company had 14,921,045 common shares issued and outstanding owned by approximately 5,000 shareholders.

Caspen's common and preferred stock trade on the American Stock Exchange under the symbols CNO and CNOP, respectively.

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SANTA MONICA, CA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - National Medical Enterprises Inc. (NME)(NYSE/PSE/London:NME), through it Psychiatric Institutes of America (PIA) subsidiary, Tuesday announced its signing of a letter of intent with Charter Medical Corp. to acquire Charter Hospital of Tuscon, a 60-bed psychiatric hospital in Tuscon, Ariz.

Terms were not disclosed.

Charter will operate the facility until the sale is closed. The company will also continue to operate hospitals in Phoenix and Glendale, Ariz.

In discussing the project, Norman A. Zober, president and chief executive officer of NME's Specialty Hospital Group, noted, ''PIA remains committed to rendering the finest in patient care by offering quality clinical programs and by developing outside working relationships with the medical community, local service agencies and health care professionals.''

Larry Carter, Charter Medical Corp.'s divisional vice president, said: ''We believe the sale is mutually beneficial and that it represents for us a strategic business opportunity. Based on an extensive review of our operations, we feel that Charter can best service Arizona by concentrating our

efforts in Phoenix and Glendale.''

PIA has indicated that it will offer many of the hospital's employees positions once they assume management of the facility. The acquired hospital will initially employ 90 people and contribute an estimated $3 million in local revenues annually through salaries, wages and benefits.

Charter Medical is an international health care provider of psychiatric, addictive disease and medical treatment services. Based in Macon, Ga., the firm owns and operates 100 psychiatric and general hospitals in the United States and Europe.

National Medical Enterprises, one of the nation's largest health care service companies, owns, operates and manages acute, psychiatric, and physical rehabilitation hospitals and substance abuse treatment facilities throughout the United States and internationally.

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or
Charter Medical Corp., New York
Andrew Brimmer, 212/303-2539

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Prairie Oil Royalties Co. Ltd. announced that the first three wells of an infill drilling program at Golden in northwestern Alberta were successful, raising gross field production by approximately 1,200 barrels of oil per day to the 2,100 barrels per day level.

A fourth well has been drilled but not yet tested. Additional drilling is planned for early 1991.

Prairie Oil has a 50 percent working interest in Golden. Norcen Energy Resources Ltd., 74.4 percent owner of Prairie Oil, has a 27.9 percent working interest at Golden and is operator of the property.

CONTACT: Prairie Oil Royalties Co. Ltd., Calgary
Ron Burrows, 403/231-0107

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PHOENIX (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The Circle K Corp. (NYSE:CKP) which on May 15, 1990, filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code Tuesday reported an unaudited net loss of $27.4 million, or 66 cents per

share, fully diluted for the three months ended Oct. 31.

During the same quarter last fiscal year, Circle K reported a net loss of $5 million, or 16 cents per share, fully diluted. Revenues for the quarter ended Oct. 31, amounted to $991,662,000 compared to revenues of $937,201,000 for the same quarter a year ago.

For the six months ended Oct. 31, Circle K reported an unaudited net loss of $38 million, or 95 cents per share, fully diluted compared to net earinings of $2.6 million, or a loss of 3 cents per share, through six months of last fiscal year. Revenues through six months this year amounted to $1,961,462,000 compared to revenues of $1,956,125,000 for the first six months of last fiscal year.

Current year results include charges of $7.7 million for reorganization expenses in the three months ended Oct. 31, and $11.7 million in the six months ended Oct. 31.

The company also announced that it has received Bankruptcy Court approval to proceed with the sale of the majority of its properties in Hawaii to Texaco Refining and Marketing Inc., for approximately $22,275,000 (plus inventories). That transaction is expected to be completed by Dec. 21.

At this time, the company cannot predict the scheduling or ultimate outcome of the bakruptcy proceedings nor the effect upon the value of any of its outstanding securities. The company expects to file a bankruptcy reorganization plan as soon as practicable.

Since filing for Chapter 11 protection through Oct. 31, the company has closed 360 operating stores and was operating 4,271 stores at that date.

CONTACT: Circle K Corp., Phoenix
Ray Cox, 602/229-8735

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SAUSALITO, CALIF (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Autodesk (NASDAQ/NMS:ACAD) Tuesday announced it has established an organization dedicated to exploring and evaluating new business opportunities for the company.

The Business Development unit will focus on emerging software technologies that have the potential to create new, high-growth-potential markets for the company.

''As the fifth largest PC software company in the world, we have an incredibly valuable infrastructure in place to develop, market and distribute software products,'' stated Peter O'Dell, director of Autodesk's Business Development

group.

''The new group's charter is to actively investigate new technologies that can leverage off Autodesk's existing strengths -- particularly our authorized dealer network -- to strengthen and diversify the company.''

''Our market position has made us a natural target for high-tech entrepreneurs in search of support,'' stated Alvar Green, president of Autodesk. ''Formalizing the evaluation of these ideas just means that we'll be that much more effective in identifying those partners who will help us deliver the next generation of innovative software technology.''

O'Dell explained that Autodesk's Business Development group is looking for interesting project concepts and business plans from any legitimate source, including company employees, Autodesk dealers and independent software entrepreneurs worldwide.

Interested parties can send information on new business opportunities to O'Dell's attention care of Autodesk Inc., 2320 Marinship Way, Sausalito, Calif. 94965.

Autodesk develops, markets and supports a family of computer-aided design, engineering and animation software products for desktop computers and workstations. Generic Software Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Autodesk.

For more information, customers may call 800/445-5415 or GO ADESK on CompuServe.

CONTACT: Autodesk Inc., Sausalito Andrew Zarrillo, 415/332-2344, ext. 8704

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Sun Microsystems Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SUNW) Tuesday announced that its board of directors had amended its Common Shares Rights Agreement.

The amendments provide that shareholders may exercise their rights as soon as a person or a group, other than American Telephone and Telegraph Company, acquires 10 percent or more of the outstanding common shares.

American Telephone and Telegraph Company currently owns approximately 18.9 percent of the outstanding shares of Sun common stock, and the amendments do not apply to AT&T as long as AT&T is in compliance with the terms of the Common Stock Purchase Agreement between the two companies, which includes a 20 percent standstill provision.

The company also announced that it would be filing a Form 8-K with the

Securities and Exchange Commission containing revised by-laws and the amended Common Shares Rights Agreement. The company said that its board believed these changes were prudent in the current industry environment to fully protect shareholder value.

Sun Microsystems Inc., headquartered in Mountain View, Calif., is a leading worldwide supplier of network-based distributed computing systems, including professional workstations, servers and UNIX operating system and productivity software.

CONTACT: Sun Microsystems Inc., Mountain View Kay Hart, 415/336-3561

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PORTLAND, OR (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Reliance MetalCenter, a division of Reliance Steel & Aluminum Co., has completed occupancy in their new $2 million 46,000-square-foot metal center in Mocks Landing Industrial Park, replacing an existing 15,000-square-foot facility.

The new service center has tripled its inventory capacity to serve the industrial community of the northwest with aluminum and steel products.

Architect for the project was Soderstrom Architects of Portland with Andersen Construction of Portland serving as general contractor.

Reliance Steel & Aluminum, founded in 1939, is one of the nation's largest independently owned full-line distributors and processors of metal. The 18 metal centers of the expanded network are in California, Oregon, Arizona, Utah Texas and New Mexico.

CONTACT: Abajian Associates, Fullerton, Calif.
Don Abajian, 714/447-0974.

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DEERFIELD BEACH, FL (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Dec. 18, 1990, Sensormatic Electronics Corp. (NASDAQ:SNSR) today announced the results of its second quarter ended Nov. 30, reporting record revenues and strong earnings growth.

Revenues for the quarter increased 21 percent to a record $57.2 million, while operating income grew 22 percent to $8.0 million. Earnings per share increased 21 percent to $0.23 per share on $6.3 million of net income.

Worldwide backlog at Nov. 30, was $27.7 million, more than double the backlog of November of last year.

For the six months ended Nov. 30, revenues increased 24 percent to $111.9 million from $90.5 million for the comparable period last year. Operating income rose 24 percent to $15.1 million, and earnings per share increased 19 percent to $0.43 per share, on $11.7 million of net income, compared to the first six months of last fiscal year.

Commenting on the quarter's performance, Ronald G. Assaf, president and chief executive officer, remarked, ''We are pleased to report continued growth in revenue and profits, especially during a weakening economy. Our electronic article surveillance products, in the past, have shown strength during economic downturns, thus helping to offset weakness in other product lines which may be more dependent on a stronger economy.

In our second quarter, as an example, weakness in our SensorVision closed circuit television product line was partially offset by the strengthening of our soft goods EAS product lines. This product mix favorably impacted gross margins and operating results as our soft goods product lines carry higher gross margins.''

Sensormatic Electronics Corp. is the world leader in loss prevention technology. Sensormatic's electronic article surveillance (EAS) systems are used primarily by retailers to deter shoplifting. Sensormatic also manufactures and markets closed circuit television systems for retail, commercial and industrial applications, and its POSdata subsidiary is the fastest growing distributor of point of sale bar code scanners in the United States. All of the Company's divisions are linked to the largest worldwide sales and service organization in the EAS industry.

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by
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-30- 2585

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - At its Dec. 17, 1990 meeting, the board of directors of National Banc of Commerce Co. declared a cash dividend of .12 cents per share on the company's 6,019,923 issued and outstanding shares.

The dividend will be paid on Jan. 7, 1991 to shareholders of record Dec. 27, 1990.

National Banc of Commerce Co. is the parent company of The National Bank of Commerce, The Guaranty National Bank of Huntington, and The Bank of Man.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Monday announced the immediate availability of its DataLens Driver for Paradox Tables.

The new driver allows 1-2-3 Release 3.1 and 1-2-3/G users to directly access information stored in Paradox databases, using familiar 1-2-3 commands.

The Paradox driver enables 1-2-3 users to perform a wide range of database management and reporting tasks, such as querying, inserting, deleting, or updating records in a Paradox table and creating new Paradox files.

''The Lotus DataLens Driver for Paradox Tables seamlessly integrates Paradox data with 1-2-3's powerful database and analytical capabilities,'' said Tad Staley, Lotus' product marketing manager for DataLens. ''Lotus users can now easily access and manipulate data in Paradox databases, as if the data resided directly in the spreadsheet.''

Through the advanced relational database capabilities offered in 1-2-3 Release 3.1 and 1-2-3/G, users can combine information from a Paradox database with information from other external data sources, such as dBase III or III Plus, Netware SQL, and SQL Server databases, in addition to 1-2-3 database files.

Lotus' DataLens technology provides 1-2-3 users with a consistent and transparent means to easily bring data into their spreadsheet for analysis, manipulation, and storage. Users benefit from the ability to access a wide variety of external data sources through a common interface, eliminating the need to learn multiple data access methods. In addition, DataLens drivers give users the ability to integrate data from a variety of computing platforms including DOS, OS/2, UNIX and VAX.

DataLens drivers for 1-2-3 Release 3.1 and 1-2-3/G are now available for Microsoft SQL Server, Novell Netware SQL, and Ashton-Tate's dBase III and III Plus. Drivers are under development for Extended Edition Database Manager from IBM, Sybase SQL Server on VAX and UNIX platforms, ORACLE from Oracle Corporation, Vanguard and R:Base from Microrim, Inc., and SQL Base from Gupta Technologies.

The Lotus DataLens Driver for Paradox Tables is designed for use with Paradox version 2.0 or higher and is available directly from Lotus for a suggested retail price of $75. 1-2-3 Release 3.1 users can purchase the Paradox driver for a special price of $20. For more information, or to order, customers may contact Lotus Customer Service at (800) 345-1043.

Lotus Development Corp. (NASDAQ:LOTS), founded in 1982, develops, markets and supports business software and CD-ROM databases that help users access, analyze, communicate and share information. The company's first product, Lotus 1-2-3, is the most popular personal computer software program in the world with more than 14 million users. Lotus markets its broad range of products in more than 65 countries and offers users comprehensive support options, including 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week support in the U.S. for PC versions of its 1-2-3 spreadsheet.

All prices and terms are for the U.S.A. Only.

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BOCA RATON, FL (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The second annual meeting of shareholders of the J.W. Gant Fund Inc., scheduled for Dec. 15, 1990, was adjourned due to lack of a quorum and will be reconvened on Jan. 11, 1991, at 4:00 p.m., at the Fund's Boca Raton, Fla. office, it was announced by William Fox, president and chairman of the board of directors.

The office is located at Suite 312E, 2255 Glades Road, Boca Raton, Fla.

The J.W. Gant Fund is an open-end mutual fund registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Utilitech Inc. (NASDAQ:UTLL,UTLLW) has sold its Elsco Lighting Products Inc. subsidiary for approximately $2.3 million and has entered into a non-binding agreement to sell its Utility Marketing and Development Inc. (UMD) subsidiary, in a separate transaction, valued at approximately $4 million, according to Nathan Hevrony, Utilitech chairman and chief executive officer.

Elsco, a manufacturer of commercial and industrial lighting products was sold to a privately held lighting company. The consideration consisted of cash, notes and the fulfillment of certain debt obligations of Elsco.

Under the letter of intent, UMD, a telecommunications industry aftermarket services provider, would be sold to a private investor for $2 million in cash and the additional assumption of debt. All cash proceeds will be utilized by

Utilitech to reduce indebtedness.

The sale of Elsco will not result in any significant gain or loss to the company. Should the sale of UMD be completed, the two transactions combined will have the effect of reducing the company's interest-bearing indebtedness by approximately $4 million, with a corresponding reduction in interest expense.

Utilitech has been undergoing a major reorganization, under a new management team which took control of the company in late 1988. This reorganization has included the sale of unprofitable operations and unproductive assets and the acquisition of companies which have taken Utilitech into the home products and do-it-yourself home improvement products field.

Elsco and UMD are the only two subsidiaries remaining from the company's former structure.

The two acquisitions made under the new management include Decora, manufacturer of ConTact paper and other adhesive papers, coatings, tapes and labels, and Yorkville, a 70-year specialty lightbulb and lighting components producer and importer.

With these two acquisitions, management has accomplished a dramatic earnings turnaround as well as revenue gains in excess of six times last year's revenue level, Hevrony pointed out.

If the potential sale of UMD is completed, Utilitech Inc. would operate through two subsidiaries, Decora Inc., manufacturer of pressure-sensitive, and self adhesive papers, plastics, tapes and labels, including ConTact paper, America's leading shelf paper, and Yorkville, a 70-year-old lightbulb and lighting components distributor.

Utilitech Inc. serves the home products, do-it-yourself home improvement and general consumer markets, with a variety of products, including ConTact paper and other pressure-sensitive papers and materials, and distributes a broad line of specialty lightbulbs and components.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Enron Corp. announced Tuesday that it is postponing its plans to offer interests in the Enron Gas Trust although it

plans to maintain its registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

On Nov. 2, Enron filed with the SEC to offer 10 million units in the Enron Gas Trust. The Trust's principal assets would have consisted of rights under a series of forward contracts for the delivery of natural gas.

Holders of the Trust units would have been entitled to receive monthly cash distributions from Jan. 15, 1993 through Dec. 15, 1995 based on the proceeds received by the Trust from the sale of natural gas.

The initial public offering price of the units was estimated at $5.35 per unit and would have entitled holders to proceeds from 3 thousand cubic feet of natural gas over the three year period.

''The weak market for initial public offerings, particularly for energy securities, has delayed our attempt to offer the Enron Gas Trust,'' said Jeffrey K. Skilling, chairman of Enron Finance Corp. ''Because this is a new security for the gas industry, we wanted to have confidence in the continuing market performance of this issue. We will delay the issue until we have this confidence.''

Underwriters for the offering were to be Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp.; Kidder, Peabody & Co. Inc.; and Lehman Brothers.

Enron Finance Corp., a subsidiary of Enron Corp., provides financing to natural gas and crude oil producers.

Enron Corp., America's leading natural gas company with approximately $11 billion in revenues and $9 billion in assets, operates the nation's largest natural gas transmission system; markets natural gas, gas liquids, crude oil and refined products nationally and worldwide; owns 84 percent of Enron Oil & Gas Co., one of the country's largest independent (non-integrated) natural gas exploration and production companies; and also is one of the largest independent producers of electricity in the United States, with extensive experience in combined heat and power installations.

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BALTIMORE (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Benjamin H. Griswold IV, chairman of the board of Alex. Brown Inc., Tuesday announced that Donald B. Hebb Jr. has informed the board of directors that he does not intend to continue as president beyond early 1991 but, rather, will devote his time to non-management activities in the firm.

Hebb commented: ''Although participation in the management of the firm has been a rewarding and satisfying undertaking where I feel much has been accomplished, increasingly my interests lie with serving the firm's clients more directly.''

Benjamin H. Griswold IV will continue as chairman and A.B. Krongard will continue as chief executive officer and together, will be responsible for the overall performance of the firm.

Griswold also announced the formation of a special committee of the board consisting of Rodman L. Drake, chairman, Thomas C. Barry, Dr. Steven Muller and Andre W. Brewster to identify a chief executive officer. Candidates from inside and outside the firm will be considered.

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BEDFORD, England (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - NFC plc (AMEX: NFC), the international transport, logistics, property and services group, Tuesday announced its preliminary results for the year (53 weeks) to October 6, 1990, showing continued year-to-year improvement in pre-tax profit and earnings per share.

Revenues increased by 9% to L1,626.9 million ($2,772.2 million). The economic downturn in the UK put pressure on margins and this was reflected in the operating profit which was down 5% at L108.7 million ($185.2 million). The amount allocated to employee profit-sharing was consequently reduced to L5.1 million ($8.7 million) or 5% of operating profit, down from L15.9 million or 15% of operating profit in fiscal 1989. Profit before tax increased by 8% to L97.7 million ($166.5 million) and earnings per share were up 11% at 13.6p (23.2c).

These preliminary results thus surpassed the Board's ''best view'', reported with the interim results on June 4, 1990 and again on August 28, 1990.

The directors have recommended a final dividend of 1.60p (2.73c) per share. If approved it will bring total dividends for the year to 5.65p (9.63c) per share, an increase of 14% adjusted for the 1989 rights issue. The final dividend is payable on April 8, 1991.

-- US dollar equivalents provided for reader convenience only at $1.704, the

average rate for the year to October 6, 1990, as used in NFC plc's Annual Report and Accounts.

Although the transport sector is particularly tough and property interests are likely to show much lower profits than last year, the directors believe that NFC's broad range of activities will produce a satisfactory performance in the current year and intend to give their ''best view'' of the outlook for 1991 at the Annual General Meeting on February 23, 1991.

James Watson, who takes over from Sir Peter as NFC Chairman on January 1, 1991 reported that NFC has a strong balance sheet with a debt-to-equity ratio of .24. In his outlook for the future he said: ''Despite economic uncertainty and the need for short-term action we have not lost sight of our long-term goals. The level and geographic spread of acquisitions during the year demonstrates our commitment to generating 40% of profits outside the UK by 1995.

The Audited Preliminary results, together with a summary of the balance sheet and a breakdown of the operating reviews of the divisions, are attached. The full Annual Report will be mailed to shareholders in January and the AGM will be held in London on Saturday, February 23, 1991.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Lotus Development Corp. Tuesday announced that it has completed the acquisition of Samna Corp. of Atlanta, Georgia.

As a result, Samna now is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Lotus.

The acquisition was completed by merging a Lotus subsidiary with Samna in accordance with the merger agreement terms announced on Nov. 1, 1990. The merger follows a tender offer by Lotus completed on Dec. 6, 1990 for all outstanding shares of Samna common stock at $18.84 per share.

Samna stockholders who did not tender their shares in the offer will be entitled to receive $18.84 per share in cash (without interest).

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TOKYO, Japan (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation (NTT) Tuesday placed into service the first phase of a new, high-speed optical communications system manufactured by AT&T Network Systems at North Andover, Massachusetts.

AT&T Chairman Robert Allen and NTT Chairman Haruo Yamaguchi placed the equipment into service at NTT's Otemachi Network Center in Tokyo. U.S. Ambassador to Japan, Michael Armacost, also participated in the ceremony.

The equipment is part of a $154 million contract awarded to AT&T Network Systems in July, 1989. This contract represented the first major purchase of U.S. made optical communications equipment by a Japanese company.

NTT is using the equipment in its long distance telephone network to provide intelligent network services to its customers. Today's demonstration linked NTT Network Centers in Tokyo and Yokahama, the same sites between which the first commercial telephone service was inaugurated in Japan 100 years ago.

The new system was developed by AT&T Bell Laboratories and was manufactured at AT&T's Merrimack Valley Works. The system is designed to send high-capacity lightwave signals up to 80 kilometers (about 50 miles) without regeneration. The system transmits information at the rate of 622 million bits per second, which is equivalent to 8,000 simultaneous telephone calls.

AT&T developed the new system and equipment to meet NTT requirements and its high standards for quality and reliability.

The system conforms to the evolving Synchronous Optical Network/Synchronous Digital Hierarchy (SONET/SDH) communications standard. SONET/SDH defines a hierarchy of optical transmission rates and formats to be used worldwide by manufacturers, carriers and end users.

A SONET/SDH signal is made up of two components, one carrying system traffic and another carrying administration and network management data through the network.

Communications equipment built to these standards will help carriers accommodate growth in their networks, respond more rapidly to their users' needs, improve operations and maintenance, and introduce more quickly sophisticated new services. The SONET/SDH standard will also allow equipment from different manufacturers to communicate, making it easier to design networks.

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REDMOND, WA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Interpoint Corp., (NASDAQ:INTP), Tuesday announced that earnings for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990, were 17 cents per share, or about $410,000, on revenue of $27.8 million.

Year ago earnings were 32 cents per share on revenue of $28 million. The 1990 results include approximately $533,000, or 14 cents per share after-tax, in special first quarter integration charges related to the acquisition of MICRA Corp.

New orders continue to be very strong as backlog, or orders received but not shipped, reached an all-time record of $20.5 million as of Nov. 30. Interpoint President Peter van Oppen said: ''We are very pleased with our order growth and backlog. It looks as if we will return to a strong growth trend in 1991.''

Fourth quarter numbers show revenue of $7.7 million vs. $7.5 million a year ago for an increase of 3 percent. Earnings for the quarter were $291,000, or 12 cents per share, as compared to $211,000, or 9 cents per share, for the fourth quarter 1989.

Gross profit percentage declined for the year as increased manufacturing overheads were required to assimilate former MICRA business into Interpoint operations and to absorb customers obtained through a royalty agreement with Hytek Corp. during 1990. Although increased competition also accounts for some of this decline, gross profit is expected to rise as revenue increases during 1991.

Sales and administrative expenses declined approximately 22 percent to $5.8 million in 1990, reflecting consolidation of MICRA expenses. At the same time investment in research and development increased 31 percent for the year to $926,000.

Founded in 1969, Interpoint designs, manufactures and markets a broad range of proprietary power converters and custom hybrid microcircuits for aerospace and industrial applications with headquarters in Redmond. Sales offices are located in Long Island, N.Y., and London.

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WALLINGFORD, CT (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Dime Financial Corp. (''DFC'') announced Tuesday that it expects to make a fourth

quarter provision for loan losses of approximately $2.8 million, which it estimates will result in a loss for the fourth quarter of 1990 of up to $800,000, as compared to net income of $1.8 million for the fourth quarter of 1989.

According to DFC, this action is being taken in recognition of the continuing decline of the economy both in New England and throughout the country and the potential impact that the recession may have on the real estate portfolios of its two subsidiary banks.

DFC estimates that it will report net income for the year 1990 of approximately $4.2 million, as compared to $7.3 million for the year ended Dec. 31, 1989.

After the proposed provision for loan losses, the loan loss reserve will total approximately $6 million, constituting 21.4 percent of non-performing loans and .84 percent of total loans.

At its meeting today, the board of DFC voted to declare a dividend of 10 cents per share to shareholders of record on Jan. 4, 1991, payable on Jan. 25, 1991.

The 10 cents dividend represents a reduction from the 20 cents quarterly dividend previously paid by DFC.

''All signs are that the economic decline in New England will extend well into next year,'' said John C. Shortell, DFC's president and chief executive officer.

''Although we have not suffered significant loan losses to date, if the economy does not improve we need to be prepared. Today's action should serve to cushion the impact on our banks of any future deterioration of the loan portfolios.''

Shortell emphasized that the figures reported today are preliminary estimates and that actual year-end financial information will not be prepared until January, 1991.

Dime Financial Corp. is the holding company for The Dime Savings Bank of Walllingford and City Savings Bank of Meriden. Dime Savings Bank operates nine offices in New Haven County and City Savings Bank operates three offices in Meriden. Both are State-chartered FDIC-insured institutions.

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PARSIPPANY, NJ (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - BASF Corp. expects to spend approximately $500 million for capital expenditures in 1991.

This is an increase over the approximately $480 million spent in 1990. The corporation expects to spend more than $2 billion on capital projects over the next five years.

Major 1990 projects resulted in the completion of a Plastics Application Center at Wyandotte, Mich.; completion of a 3.5 inch diskette manufacturing facility in Bedford, Mass., which is a joint venture with Fuji; completion of expansion of the automotive OEM R&D lab located in Southfield, Mich.; expansion of resin production at Greenville, Ohio; expansion of acetal copolymer capacity at Theodore, Ala., a joint venture with Degussa Corp.; and expansion of a 1,4 butanediol facility at Geismar, La.

In 1991, BASF Corp. will complete construction of an $84 million aniline and nitrobenzene manufacturing plant at Geismar as well as a fourth carbon fiber production line at Rock Hill, S.C. The company will also complete the $60 million first phase of a multi-phase project to modernize a textile filament plant at Anderson, S.C.

Another major project planned for 1991 completion is a polyamide 6 plant at Freeport, Texas. Polyamide 6 is a specialty nylon used in engineering plastics. The project will cost an estimated $26 million. Also, a $14.5 million polyurethane elastomers (TPU) synthesis plant is slated for start-up in 1991 at Wyandotte.

The completion of a urethane specialties plant at Clemson, S.C., will improve the geographic diversification of BASF's polyurethanes business. BASF Corp.'s capital expenditure program also provides for infrastructure, efficiency and environmental protection improvements.

BASF Corp., headquartered in Parsippany, N.J., is the North American member of the BASF Group. The corporation ranks among the top 10 U.S. chemical companies, and is listed among the Fortune 100 largest industrial concerns in the United States. BASF Corp. employs about 20,000 people in North America.

The corporation's highly diversified product mix includes basic, intermediate and specialty chemicals, colorants, dispersions, fiber raw materials, fibers, automotive and container coatings, printing inks, urethane specialties and chemicals, plastics, advanced composite materials, antifreeze, crop protection products, pharmaceuticals, vitamins, audio, video and computer recording media.

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ROCHESTER, NH (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert Levine, chief executive officer and president, and Craig Benson, chief operating officer, chairman and treasurer of Cabletron Systems Inc. (NYSE:CS), were jointly named National Entrepreneurs Of The Year in an annual ranking conducted by Inc. magazine, in cooperation with Ernst & Young and Merrill Lynch.

Cabletron's chief executive officer and chief operating officer will be featured in the January issue of Inc., scheduled to arrive at newsstands on Dec. 26 with a circulation of over 600,000.

Levine, 32, and Benson, 36, who co-founded the New Hampshire-based manufacturer of computer networking equipment in 1983, now direct one of the countries fastest growing companies, with over 1,350 employees. The two entrepreneurs have successfully propelled Cabletron to more than $100 million in sales with 21 percent after-tax profits.

''It was difficult to deny Cabletron's unparalleled growth and the leadership shown by Benson and Levine,'' said Josh Hyatt, senior writer and editor of the feature story, Inc. magazine.

According to the national sponsors, the selection process for Entrepreneur Of The Year began in June when regional awards were given to 281 companies chosen from more than 2,600 applicants. Each region had its own judges selected by the three joint sponsors. The regional winners' applications were reviewed by Inc.'s senior editorial staff, who then chose 11 honorable mentions and 17 finalists.

After Inc.'s editorial staff made its final selections, a panel of nine national judges chosen by the magazine met in September to select award recipients for the following five categories: Entrepreneur Of The Year; Master Entrepreneur; Turnaround Entrepreneur; Emerging Entrepreneur, and Supporter of Entrepreneurship.

Cabletron Systems Inc., headquartered in Rochester, N.H., develops and manufactures networking products based on its Integrated Network Architecture, a strategy which provides standards-based products and services necessary to build and manage a global, distributed platform of interconnected local area networks. The company currently has a worldwide installed base exceeding 1.8 million nodes.

Cabletron's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CS. The company reported record revenue of $104.7 million and earnings of $22.3 million for the fiscal year 1990.

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MONTVALE, NJ (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. Inc. Tuesday reported that net income for the third quarter ended Dec. 1, 1990 was $32,050,000, or 84 cents per share compared to $31,169,000, or 82 cents per share for the same period of 1989.

Sales for the current period were $2,610,968,000 vs. $2,550,533,000 last year.

For the 40 weeks ended Dec. 1, 1990 year-to-date, the company reported a net income increase of 6.4 percent to $119,373,000, or $3.12 per share on sales of $8,617,952,000 compared to $112,189,000, or $2.94 per share on sales of $8,580,273,000.

James Wood, chairman, president and chief executive officer said, ''We were able to maintain good profitability during the quarter despite very sluggish sales related to a more difficult economy.

''We finalized the acquisition of 69 Miracle Food Mart stores on October 22nd and have incorporated six weeks of their sales and profits into our reported figures.''

During the quarter, the company opened 9 new superstores and expanded or remodeled 27 existing units while closing 7 older, outmoded stores.

For the year-to-date, 36 new stores were opened while 70 were expanded or remodeled and 38 obsolete stores were closed. The company operates 1,282 supermarkets in 25 states and Canada under the A&P, Super Fresh, Waldbaum's, Food Emporium, Farmer Jack, Kohl's, Dominion and Miracle Food Mart tradenames.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Phoenix Laser Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:PXLS) Tuesday announced that it has been granted approval by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for the use of its Ophthalmic Surgical Laser Workstation for posterior capsulotomy.

This approval of the company's 510K application means that the company has full commercial authorization to market its workstation for use on posterior capsulotomy, one of the most common ophthalmic laser procedures.

Phoenix Laser Systems Inc. is a developer of integrated laser workstations

primarily for use by the medical community. The company's initial efforts have been focused on the design, development and testing of its first product, the Phoenix Ophthalmic Surgical Workstation.

The OSW is a self-contained proprietary workstation that combines on-line diagnostic measurement, advanced laser beam positioning, high speed tissue tracking and therapeutic devices for the precise control of laser surgery.

The company's technology permits surgery at cellular levels without creating significant thermal damage to surrounding cells. Phoenix recently completed initial human clinical testing of its technology.

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NASHUA, NH (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Ekco Group Inc. (NYSE:EKO) Tuesday announced that it has entered into a joint venture agreement with Probus Housewares plc.

The agreement names Probus as Ekco Group's exclusive distributor in the United Kingdom for bakeware and other Ekco Group products.

Probus, located in Tamworth, England, is one of the U.K.'s largest housewares companies. Product sold in the U.K. will bear both the Ekco and Probus labels.

Ekco Group President Robert Stein said, ''Europe represents a strategic opportunity for Ekco Group's expansion. This joint venture is a step toward establishing a more prominent European presence for our company. Combining the strength of Ekco Group's products with Probus' broad U.K. distribution enhances our ability to build Ekco Group's share of this important market.''

Ekco Group Inc. manufactures and markets a variety of consumer products which it broadly markets through leading retail outlets. The company's products include a range of household and recreational products carrying the ''Ekco,'' ''Baker's Secret,'' ''Victor,'' ''Woodstream'' and ''Havahart'' brand names.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - SCOR U.S. Corp. (NYSE: SUR) announced Tuesday that Daniel Brooks has been appointed president of the Unity Fire and General Insurance Co. and General Security Assurance Corp. of New York, collectively known as The Unity Group.

SCOR U.S. is the holding company of Scor Re and The Unity Group.

Brooks succeeds Jean Masse, who is returning to Paris as President of UAP Re, a SCOR Group company. Masse has been president of Unity Fire and General Security and chairman of Urbaine Life Reinsurance Co. since December 1982. Both Brooks and Masse serve on the board of directors of all of SCOR U.S.'s reinsurance subsidiaries.

''Jean Masse's successful leadership of The Unity Group, and his 20 years of experience in the European and American markets will help him guide UAP Re through the challenges and opportunities that exist in Europe today,'' said Jacques Blondeau, president and chief operating officer of SCOR U.S. ''Jean also will assume other responsibilities within the SCOR Group in Paris.''

Jerome Karter, executive vice president of SCOR U.S., said, ''We are fortunate to be able to draw on The Unity Group's resources for a person as qualified as Dan Brooks to take command.''

Most recently executive vice president, Daniel Brooks joined The Unity Group in 1977 as an underwriter trainee. He holds an undergraduate degree from Amherst College and a master of arts degree from the University of North Carolina.

Brooks and his family reside in Morristown, N.J.

SCOR Re specializes in underwriting treaties covering commercial and technical risks, and is a recognized leader in the provision of facultative property, casualty and special risk covers. The Unity Group has been long established in the business of treaty and facultative reinsurance, with primary emphasis on property treaty business.

SCOR Re and The Unity Group are both headquartered in New York City. In addition, SCOR Re operates branch offices in Chicago, Dallas, Hartford and New York.

All SCOR U.S. companies are rate ''A'' (Excellent) by A.M. Best.

SCOR S.A., the ultimate majority shareholder of Scor U.S., is among the world's largest reinsurers and is represented and does business through branches and subsidiaries worldwide.

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DALLAS (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - EDS (NYSE:GME) has been chosen to install and operate a new state of the art billing system for the nation's fourth largest, publicly-held long distance telecommunications provider, Advanced Telecommunications Corp. (ATC) (NASDAQ:ATEL).

The system, developed especially for the interexchange marketplace, will operate on an AS-400 system. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

EDS will enhance ATC's billing systems to support the long distance company's rapidly expanding customer base. EDS will also develop a new order entry system and advance ATC's financial reporting systems. Won in a competitive bid, the new contract is EDS' first systems management contract with a long distance telecommunications provider in the United States.

ATC serves business and residential customers in eight southern states. Atlanta-based ATC operates a nationwide digital fiber optic network providing a full range of telecommunications services from 1 + dialing and inbound 800 to international calling, video teleconferencing and operator services. ATC also offers voice mail and voice messaging services through ATC MessageCentre.

EDS, based in Dallas with operations in 28 countries, is the leader in providing information technology services. EDS reported revenues of $5.5 billion in 1989.

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DETROIT (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - First NH Banks, a wholly owned subsidiary of the $26 billion Bank of Ireland, is replacing its existing check processing system from another vendor with a high-speed item processing system from Unisys Corp.

The contract, valued at approximately $3 million, includes hardware, software, installation services, project management services, and maintenance.

First NH Banks is installing a Unisys V 410 mainframe system and DP 1800 document processors, along with Unisys popular Item Processing System (IPS) software for the processing of checks. Currently, the bank processes more than

600,000 items daily during peak volume periods.

First NH Banks, with more than 60 branch offices, is New Hampshire's leading financial institution and has adopted an aggressive plan to expand its presence in northern New England.

First NH Banks anticipates that the Unisys high-speed check processing system, with its statement-rendering capability, will enable the institution to build upon its reputation for First Quality Service by providing its customers with the most accurate and timely account information.

Unisys IPS performs document processing functions for financial institutions on Unisys V Series systems and their associated document processors. Specific processing functions include document capture, distribution, reconcilement, and output of printed and electronic information.

IPS provides the foundation for the Unisys InfoImage Image Item Processing System (IIPS) platform.

First NH Banks, headquartered in Manchester, N.H., provides banking services to approximately one-third of all households in New Hampshire.

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PRINCETON, NJ (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - A laboratory to develop computer software and graphics will be established here by Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. (MEI) of Osaka, Japan.

The Matsushita Information Technology Laboratory will be headed by renowned computer science authority Dr. Richard J. Lipton, formerly of Princeton University.

''The establishment of this, our eighth new U.S. lab, further demonstrates our parent company's strong commitment to research and development in the United States,'' said Richard Kraft, president of Matsushita Electric Corp. of America, MEI's North American subsidiary. ''In order to develop advanced computer software which meets the expanding needs of the American marketplace, we're also committed to assembling the best possible staff for this new R&D venture. Dr. Lipton represents the very best.''

The new laboratory's primary focus will be the development of improved computer graphics, document processing and system software. Such advances are expected to be applied to new film production techniques.

Initial plans call for the Information Technology Lab to have a staff of 20, a figure which would then increase to approximately 60 by March, 1993. As demonstrated by the nearby Advanced TV/Video Laboratory in Burlington, Matsushita's U.S. research staff is overwhelmingly American. In fact, of North American Matsushita's eight research facilities, including the new Princeton lab, seven are headed by United States citizens.

The Information Technology Laboratory will be Matsushita's fourth R&D facility in New Jersey. The other three -- two in Burlington, one in Secaucus -- concentrate on advanced CATV systems, optical disc technology, home bus systems, digital image processing and electronic imaging.

Matsushita, which is known for its Panasonic, Technics and Quasar brands, currently has seven U.S. laboratories in total. Areas of emphasis include in-flight A/V systems, speech recognition, speech analysis and synthesis, a document processing system and retail/store automation software.

Established in 1918, MEI is the world's leading manufacturer of consumer and industrial electronics products. Annual sales for the fiscal year ending March 31, reached $37.75 billion. MEI has more than 190,000 employees worldwide, with 120 factories and sales offices in 38 countries. Matsushita's 14,000 different electronics products are marketed under the Panasonic, Technics, Quasar and National brand names.

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MIDDLETOWN, PA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - CareerCom Corp. (NYSE:CCM) announced Tuesday its operating results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30.

Revenues for fiscal year 1990 declined 5.1 percent to $138,098,000 from $145,462,000 in fiscal year 1989. The company earned $532,000, or 5 cents per share, compared with a net loss of $7,496,000, or 69 cents per share in fiscal year 1989.

Revenues for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 declined 11.5 percent to $33,432,000 from $37,761,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1989. In the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990, the company earned $56,000 or 1 cent per share, compared with a net loss of $8,058,000, or 79 cents per share, in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1989.

CareerCom also announced that Jonathan Bogert had been named vice president, treasurer and chief financial officer of the company.

A graduate of Yale (B.A., 1963), Bogert has served in progressively higher finance and accounting positions at a number of companies. Most recently, Bogert served as vice president and chief financial officer of Teleco Oilfield Services Inc. of Meriden, Conn. Bogert is 49 years old.

Commenting on Bogert's joining the company, Steven B. King, chairman of the board, stated, ''We believe Bogert strengthens the existing management team, and we expect that he will make a significant, positive contribution to the company's future performance.''

The decision to engage Bogert concluded a lengthy process to replace the existing chief financial officer of the company, who is leaving to operate two private career schools.

CareerCom Corp. is a leading owner and operator of career training institutes located throughout North America. The company currently maintains 70 accredited, private post-secondary career schools offering programs of study in a variety of career-oriented disciplines.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - EQK Green Acres L.P. (NYSE:EGA) Tuesday, Dec. 18 announced that the company's unitholders have overwhelmingly approved a proposal to amend the company's partnership agreement to permit affiliates of Equitable Real Estate Investment Management Inc. to elect to become the Special General Partner of the company.

There are no plans to do so at this time; rather, having this option permits an orderly succession if it should become necessary or desirable.

EQK Green Acres L.P. owns and operates Green Acres Mall, a super-regional shopping mall located in Nassau County, Long Island,N.Y.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The Southern Co. announced Tuesday that it has received approval from the Securities and Exchange Commission to form a new subsidiary -- Southern Nuclear Operating Co. -- to provide management and technical services for the nuclear power plant in the Southern electric system.

The Southern Co. (NYSE:SO) is the parent firm of five electric utilities: Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power, and Savannah Electric.

Alabama Power owns and operates the Farley nuclear plant near Dothan, Ala. Georgia Power is the principal owner and has responsibility for operating the Hatch nuclear plant near Baxley, Ga., and the Vogtle nuclear plant near Augusta, Ga. Other portions of the Hatch and Vogtle plants are owned by Oglethorpe Power Corp., the Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia, and the city of Dalton.

The three nuclear plants represent an investment of more than $7 billion and comprise approximately 30 percent of The Southern Co.'s total assets.

In announcing the formation of this new subsidiary, Southern Co. President Edward L. Addison said, ''We believe a single focus, single purpose organization will enhance the safety and performance of our nuclear units and result in significant cost savings over the long term. By pooling our nuclear expertise in one company, we expect to build an efficient organization that will consistently excel in the field of nuclear operations.''

Southern Nuclear will be headquartered in Birmingham. The company will be headed by Joseph M. Farley, who was elected president and chief executive today at the firm's first board of directors meeting.

Farley has served as executive vice president-nuclear for The Southern Co. since 1988. Prior to assuming that position, he served for nearly 20 years as president and chief executive officer of Alabama Power.

Farley is chairman of The American Nuclear Energy Council, which represents more than 100 organizations involved in nuclear energy. From 1987 to 1989, he was chairman of the board of the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Nycal Corp. (NASDAQ:NYCL) announced it has agreed to acquire from Amber Resources Co. and Heafitz Energy Management Inc., an approximate 1.5 percent working interest (1.26 percent net revenue interest) in certain oil and gas leases offshore California, in the Gato Canyon Field.

As consideration for the purchase, Nycal will issue to the sellers 276,250 shares of common stock. According to an independent reserve report dated Oct. 19, total estimated oil and gas reserves for the Gato Canyon Field are in

excess of 87 million barrels of oil and 123 billion cubic feet of natural gas.

The estimated date for commencement of production from the field is 1997. The acquisition is subject to completion of a definitive agreement with closing expected to occur prior to Jan. 31, 1991.

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DENVER (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Intertel Communications Inc. announced Tuesday that it completed an $18 million loan for its Teleport, Denver, Ltd. subsidiary from Communications Credit Corp. Communications Credit Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Northern Telecom Ltd.

''Proceeds from the loan will be used for the construction of the Denver metropolitan area's first major 'self healing' all-fiber- optic system that transmits signals in the opposite direction if the line is interrupted,'' says William W. Becker, Intertel Chairman.

''It will carry telephone and computer transmissions from users to long distance telephone companies. We are within a few months of completing our first fiber optic 'ring'. It is located in Greenwood Village and the Denver Tech Center and will be available to 36 percent of Denver's total long distance access business. Our system will be first viable alternative to the local telephone company's primarily copper cable system in the Denver metropolitan area.''

Through its 94 percent owned subsidiary, Teleport Denver Ltd., Intertel's primary business is the installation and operation of self healing all-fiber-optic cables as an alternative to local telephone lines. This ''Alternate Access'' service offers lower- cost, higher quality voice, video and data transmission from Denver's businesses to their long-distance telephone carriers. It provides the security of an alternate access to long distance service should telephone company lines be interrupted. Due to its design the company's fiber optic ''ring'', can continue to function, even if the line is cut.

Intertel Communications Inc. provides a number of other telecommunications services and operates certain oil and gas properties. It is the only publicly traded alternate access supplier in Canada or the United States. It is traded over-the- counter in the U.S. and on the Vancouver Stock Exchange in Canada under the symbol IRTV.

Teleport's project will involve the deployment of Northern Telecom fiber-optic products. Northern Telecom is the leading global supplier of fully digital

telecommunications switching systems, providing products and services to telephone operating companies, corporations, governments, universities and other institutions worldwide. Northern Telecom, with 1989 revenues of 6.1 billion, employees more than 49,000 people around the world. It is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol NT.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Old Stone Corp. has declared a quarterly dividend of 20 cents per common share payable on Feb. 4, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Jan. 14, 1991.

James V. Rosati, president and chief executive officer of Old Stone Bank, the corporation's principal subsidiary, was today elected a director of the bank.

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - EnServ Corp. Tuesday announced that on Dec. 14, its rights offering to shareholders closed.

Through the rights offering and a related private placement 1,628,025 common shares have been issued raising approximately $7.7 million net of expenses.

The rights offering was fully subscribed with the additional subscription privilege being oversubscribed. The company's two major shareholders, The First City Group, and The Energy Recovery Fund, participated in the financing as to their prorata share of the offering.

The proceeds of the offering were utilized to retire debt. EnServ now has approximately $5 million of working capital, $5 million of long term debt, $42 million of common equity and retained earnings, and $67 million in total assets. Currently, market capitalization is in excess of $40 million.

EnServ Corp. is a diversified Canadian oilfield services company whose shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

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LITTLETON, MA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Alliant Computer Systems (NASDAQ/ALNT) Tuesday announced the University of Southern California (USC) has purchased a RISC-based FX/2800 supercomputer.

The Alliant supercomputer is installed in USC's computing facility and shared by all the University including chemistry, biology, astronomy and engineering departments, as well as the USC Medical School.

The FX/2800, Alliant's newest and most powerful supercomputer, is linked to IBM, Digital and Sun Microsystems workstations over a high speed FDDI fiber-optic network. It is the sixth FX/Series system installed on the USC network.

''Supercomputers are becoming a normal computer resource in higher education '' said Jim Pepin, executive director of USC's University Computing Services. ''The FX/2800 gives us a parallel processing supercomputer based on standards instead of expensive, proprietary technologies. This approach makes sense for USC and universities in general because it ensures the system will keep pace as RISC processors become more powerful. At the same time, it allows us to upgrade more economically.''

In conjunction with the supercomputer sale, Alliant and USC also announced they will jointly research new FDDI technologies and applications. This includes using mixed network protocols and interfaces, and developing new real-time graphics tools. The research program augments earlier programs sponsored by Alliant for parallel processing research in conjunction with USC's Computer Research Institute.

Alliant Computer Systems Corp. manufactures standards- based parallel supercomputers with visualization tools that enable scientists and engineers to quickly interpret and solve complex problems.

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SAN ANTONIO (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Builders Design Inc. (NASDAQ symbol: BDNI, BSE symbol: BDI) Tuesday announced that is has terminated its letter of intent to acquire the assets of Pacific Business Group, Inc.

Builders Design, through its Phoenix- based wholly-owned subsidiary, Letco, Inc., provides high quality floor, wall and window coverings, together with a professional installation service, to residential home builders, commercial builders and on a retail basis through nine stores located in California and Arizona.

Builders Design, Inc. Convertible Preferred Stock, Redeemable Common Stock Purchase Warrants and Class A Redeemable Common Stock Purchase Warrants are also traded in the over-the-counter market.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Tuesday said it plans to lower prices by $33 million annually on interstate and international long-distance services used primarily by consumers and small business customers.

The price decrease, filed today with the Federal Communications Commission, would take effect Jan. 1, 1991, and apply to AT&T's basic rates for short- and medium-haul state-to-state, direct-dialed long-distance calls made during daytime hours (8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday) and some international calls. More than two-thirds of the daytime minutes over the AT&T network reflect calls by consumers.

The decrease is AT&T's 12th since 1984. In the seven years since the breakup of the Bell System AT&T has reduced long-distance prices 42 percent overall.

The price cuts reflect lower fees AT&T will pay in 1991 to local telephone companies for access to customers' lines. Local telephone companies filed lower access rates Nov. 1, for the first time under local exchange carrier price cap regulation. Under FCC guidelines, those cost savings lower the ''price cap'' on AT&T's long-distance services.

AT&T's proposal includes:

o A 1.1 percent drop in prices for basic long-distance service during the weekday calling period (8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday). Subscribers to the AT&T Reach Out (R) America 24-Hour Plan also will benefit

from the price reduction when making daytime calls.

o Reduction in basic prices from the U.S. mainland to the former German Democratic Republic (East Germany) to the same levels as calls to the Federal Republic of Germany (West Germany).

o Cuts in basic prices from Hawaii to 17 countries and areas.

o Lower prices for some operator-assisted and station-to-station calls to Mexico.

o Lower Reach Out World prices, including a reduction in the plan's service service order charge from $5 to zero, lower peak and off-peak prices from the U.S.mainland to Hong Kong, Singapore, Taiwan and the Philippines, lower peak prices to 11 other countries and lower prices from Hawaii to five countries and areas.

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METHUEN, MASS (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Parlex Corp. Tuesday announced that it will begin to phase-out operations of its Nevada facility located in Carson City, Nev.

It is the smallest of the company's three divisions. The decision to close was based on financial losses being incurred in Nevada and which were projected to continue over the next several months. Another factor in this decision is the weak demand for rigid printed circuit boards from the military-aerospace sector, a market which comprises 100 percent of Nevada's business.

Parlex's other two divisions, located in Massachusetts and New Hampshire, are more diversified in its products and markets, and were profitable in the first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The cost of discontinuing the Nevada operation is currently estimated to be about $2 million. The reserve for this phase-out will be recognized in the second quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990.

According to Herbert W. Pollack, president of Parlex Corp., ''We are

disappointed that the 1988 acquisition of Parlex Nevada did not meet our expectations. Cutting our losses at this time is prudent since market conditions in the military-aerospace sector, together with general economic conditions, do not warrant any further investment in this facility.''

Parlex is a leader in the design and manufacture of interconnection and packaging products for semiconductors and electronic components. Its custom product line of flexible printed circuits and flexible-rigid multilayers (Flexilayers) can include the assembly of surface mount components.

Parlex also manufactures custom laminated cable and complex rigid multilayer circuits. Its facilities are located in Methuen, Mass., and Salem, N.H.

Parlex is unique in the industry for its ability to provide a complete range of services for its entire product line, including CAD design, manufacturing, assembly and computerized testing. These cost-effective, versatile, reliable and innovative products are sold to original equipment manufacturers in the communications, computer, military-aerospace, medical, automotive and other industrial electronics industries.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - In an agreement announced Tuesday, AT&T will provide digital voice and data communications systems to as many as 170 Trusthouse Forte (THF) Hotels in the United States.

Trusthouse Forte Hotels, Inc. signed a three-year contract, valued at approximately $17 million, to use AT&T's MERLIN (R) II Communications System or DEFINITY (R) Communications System Generic 1 in its Travelodges, Thriftlodges and several of its world-class Exclusive Hotels.

MERLIN II serves the telecommunications needs of smaller operations and accommodates up to 120 lines. DEFINITY Generic 1, an ISDN-compatible switch, accommodates up to 1,600 lines. Features esigned specifically for the hospitality industry include automatic wake-up, maid status, check-in/ check-out capability, and automated attendant. Both systems offer voice messaging and call accounting options.

An additional 225 independently owned and operated Travelodges have the option to use the terms of the contract to purchase equipment from AT&T.

Trusthouse Forte Hotels, Inc. is the North American subsidiary of London-based Trusthouse Forte PLC, an international hotelier with more than 900 properties worldwide.

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POMPANO BEACH, FLA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - ROCK-A-BYE BABY Inc. has acquired the exclusive manufacturing and marketing rights to Carta-Kid, a patented baby cradle and toddler seat for shopping carts, from The Great Kid Co. Inc. of Lexington, Mass.

Carta-Kid, created by a Boston mother in 1985, is sold by a number of the country's leading infant products retailers including Toys'R Us, Wal Mart and The Right Start Catalogue. The product, designed for infants from five months to three years of age, allows them to be comfortably and securely carried in the seat of a shopping cart, making shopping more convenient for the parent.

As the child grows, the machine-washable device converts to a support and safety seat.

According to ROCK-A-BYE BABY's President, Andrew Horn, sales of the new product are expected to exceed $1 million during the first 12 months of the agreement.

''We're extremely pleased to be able to add Carta-Kid to our product line. It's a proven, highly regarded product that provides significant benefit to infants and their parents. This latest acquisition is another step towards our goal of developing a diverse line of high quality, proprietary infant and child care products,'' Horn said.

Ellen Beth Lande, president of The Gre at Kid Co., said the two companies are well matched. ''We have a proven product, and ROCK-A-BYE BABY has an extensive and successful marketing and distribution system. And, above all, we share a commitment to manufacture and market the highest quality infant products.''

In the past 12 months, ROCK-A-BYE BABY's product line has grown from a single product, ROCK-A-BYE BEAR, the original natural audio pacifier, to include ROCK-A-BYE BUNNY, a new plush toy version of the natural audio pacifier; COMFY WIPE WARMER, a patented baby wipes warmer; and Carta-Kid. The company is actively pursuing several additional new product acquisitions.

Pompano Beach, Fla.-based ROCK-A-BYE BABY INC., is a publicly held company. Its shares are traded over the counter.

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CINCINNATI (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - At Tuesday's meeting of the board of directors of Fifth Third Bancorp, Cincinnati, Chairman and CEO Clement L. Buenger announced his retirement as CEO of Fifth Third Bank and Fifth Third Bancorp, its parent company.

Effective Jan. 1, 1991, current President and Chief Operating Officer George A. Schaefer Jr. will assume the leadership of Fifth Third as president and CEO of Fifth Third Bank and Fifth Third Bancorp. Buenger will continue to serve as chairman of the board and chairman of the executive committee.

Buenger joined Fifth Third in 1969 as a commercial lending officer. He served as an executive vice president of the Commercial Banking Division from 1975 until 1979 when he was promoted to president of Fifth Third Bank. In 1980, he became president and CEO of the Bancorp following William S. Rowe.

During his 10 years as CEO, Fifth Third Bancorp has grown from $1.1 billion in assets to $7.8 billion. In 1980, Fifth Third opened its first office outside of Hamilton County and acquired its first affiliate bank in Fayette County, Ohio. Today, Fifth Third has 214 locations in 38 counties throughout Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana.

Commitment to civic organizations will continue to be a priority for Buenger. In 1991, he will chair the Fine Arts Fund drive for the Cincinnati area and serve as chairman-elect for The Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce. He also serves as Trustee for the Fund for Independent Schools of Cincinnati, the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra and the National Conference of Christians and Jews and serves on the advisory boards for the Johnny Bench Scholarship Fund and the University of Cincinnati College of Business Administration. He serves on the board of trustees of Xavier University and INROADS.

Buenger also serves on the following boards: Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co., Greater Cincinnati International Airport and Mercy Health Care System. He is also a member of the Cincinnati Business Committee.

In addition to continuing his role as chairman of Fifth Third, Buenger will devote much of his time to the Buenger Commission and its study of Cincinnati's public school system.

Buenger's successor, George A. Schaefer Jr., joined Fifth Third in 1971 as a management trainee. He is only the fifth CEO to serve Fifth Third since 1932. Schaefer's previous responsibilities included management of the Commercial Banking Division and the Data Processing Division. He was promoted to president of Fifth Third Bancorp in April 1989.

Prior to his career at Fifth Third, Schaefer, a West Point graduate, served as captain of the U.S. Army with a tour of duty in Vietnam that earned him a Bronze Star.

Schaefer is a director of The Sabin Robins Paper Co. He serves as a board member of the following organizations: The College of Mt. St. Joseph, Children's Hospital, Junior Achievement, the Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra, the Boy Scouts and Wesley Hall Home.

Fifth Third Bancorp, headquartered in Cincinnati, has 11 affiliate banks throughout Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana.

The Bancorp's stock is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol FITB.

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WILLOW GROVE, PA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - C. Scott Kulicke, chairman of Kulicke and Soffa Industries Inc. (K&S) reported Tuesday that K&S anticipates one-time charges in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 which will likely cause the company to break even for the quarter.

Clifford G. Sprague, chief financial officer, noted that ''A charge of approximately $925,000, covering facilities changes and some severance costs, will be taken against Q1 '91 earnings.

''Over the course of fiscal 1991,'' Kulicke commented, ''we will consolidate Hong Kong engineering and manufacturing efforts into our Willow Grove and Haifa facilities. This will permit us to focus on customer support and sales in Hong Kong, while taking full advantage of the expertise and manufacturing skills resident in Israel and the U.S.A.''

Kulicke and Soffa is a leading global supplier of assembly equipment and systems for the semiconductor industry. K&S serves both the IC and hybrid markets with sales and service facilities worldwide.

In addition to wire bonding systems, the company's product line includes wafer preparation, wafer dicing and die bonding systems. Traded on the Over-The-Counter National Market (NASDAQ:KLIC), the company's headquarters are in Willow Grove, Pa.

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DALLAS (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Ito-Yokado Co., Ltd., Seven-Eleven Japan Co., Ltd. and The Southland Corp. announced that Southland will file a report today with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Dallas naming five additional individuals who will be proposed as members of Southland's post-confirmation board of directors.

The appointments of the above-proposed board members are subject to consummation of the three companies' Stock Purchase Agreement, which is contingent on confirmation of Southland's prepackaged reorganization plan by the bankruptcy court.

The names set forth in that report include (i) Jay W. Chai, chief operating officer, C. Itoh & Co. (America), Inc.; (ii) Walter J. Salmon, professor of retailing and senior associate dean and director of external relations, Harvard Business School; (iii) Yoshitami Arai, chairman of the board of Systems International, Inc., a Tokyo-based firm that, among other things, consults Japanese companies that are entering overseas markets; (iv) Timothy Ashida, firm engaged in U.S./Japan business consultation; and (v) Kazuo Otsuka general manager, corporate development, Ito-Yokado Co., Ltd.

The report is being filed with the bankruptcy court for the confirmation hearings on Southland's prepackaged reorganization plan, which began Dec. 14.

The U.S. Bankruptcy Code requires that Southland disclose, to the extent known its anticipated post-confirmation board of directors and senior management. Including those named in the report filed today, 13 individuals have so far been proposed as members of Southland's board, which will consist of at least 15 directors.

Southland filed a prepackaged reorganization plan under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division, on Oct. 24, 1990.

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FAIRFIELD, NJ (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Prime Motor Inns Inc. (NYSE:PDQ) Tuesday filed motions with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Florida to reject real estate leases and other agreements at a total of 20 hotel locations, six of which involve subleases operated by third parties.

In its filing, Prime projected aggregate annualized losses for July 1990 through June 1991 of $6.5 million for the 14 properties operated by Prime.

''We have already begun re-negotiating our operating agreements with landlords and other parties at certain of these locations,'' said David A. Simon, president of Prime Motor Inns Inc. ''We are hopeful that we can finalize satisfactory agreements in the long term to continue the management of several of the hotels named in this motion.''

Until the Court makes its ruling, Prime will continue to operate these hotels.

Prime Motor Inns Inc. and certain of its subsidiaries filed petitions for reorganization under chapter 11 on Sept. 18, 1990.

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LOUISVILLE, KY (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - H. David Hale, chairman and president of The Cumberland Federal Bancorporation Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:CMBK), Tuesday announced the Bancorporation's regular quarterly dividend of 12 cents per share on The Cumberland's common stock.

Hale stated, ''This is our thirteenth consecutive dividend declared by our board of directors.''

Shareholders of record as of Jan. 8, 1991, will be eligible to receive the dividend of 12 cents per share, payable on Feb. 1, 1991.

Founded in 1886, The Cumberland has assets of $1.4 billion, and is the largest publicly held savings bank and the third largest financial institution headquartered in Kentucky. Corporate offices are located in Louisville with 41 offices located in 11 cities throughout the state.

The Cumberland offers a full line of banking services with special emphasis on real estate lending and consumer lending. The Cumberland is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Cumberland Federal Bancorporation Inc., whose common stock trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CMBK.

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EL DORADO, AR (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Directors of Murphy Oil Corp.

(NYSE:MUR) approved a capital and exploration expenditure budget for 1991 of $324 million, up 20 percent from an estimated $270 million which will have been spent in 1990.

The increase is mostly attributable to provisions for development of recent oil and gas discoveries, notably in Ecuador, the Gulf of Mexico and Western Canada; for increased capacity at the Meraux, La., Refinery and for more sophisticated processing at all three company-owned refineries; and for accelerated testing of additional prospects near recent exploratory successes.

The 1991 capital expenditure budget includes $41 million for meeting regulatory and self-imposed standards for environmental protection.

Feasibility of the capital program is predicated on an average price for West Texas Intermediate crude at Cushing of $18.75 a barrel, adjusted for geographical and quality differentials.

If the average price realized in 1991 falls markedly below that level, curtailments will be made. Should the price be maintained above it, debt, already moderate, will be reduced, and carefully selected capital projects will be added.

Murphy's 1991 budget also provides for a 20-percent increase in the quarterly dividend from $.25 to $.30 a share. Barring unexpected changes in the business, the 1991 first quarter dividend declared by the Board of Directors in February will be at the increased rate.

CONTACT: Murphy Oil Corp., El Dorado
George E. Breazeal, 501/862-6411

-30- 1708
#90352b0775 12/18/1990 ~Business Wire

PLANO, TX (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Eljer Industries, Inc. (NYSE:ELJ) announced Tuesday that Donald C. Clark, chairman of the board, has relinquished that position and has been succeeded by Frank J. Morgan, a director of Eljer and former president and chief operating officer of Quaker Oats Company.

Clark remains a director of Eljer and has been named chairman of the executive committee.

Eljer said the move follows an established plan for the succession of Clark, who became chairman when Eljer was spun off from Household International in April of 1989. Clark is chairman and chief executive officer of Household.

Morgan, who became a director of Eljer at the time of the spin-off, retired from his positions at Quaker Oats last September. He had been with Quaker Oats

since 1964, starting as manager of industrial engineering and rising through a number of managerial posts to his appointment as president and chief operating officer in 1983.

Morgan also is a director of Square D Company and The Molson Companies Limited.

Eljer Industries, Inc. is a leading manufacturer and marketer of high quality building products, including plumbing, heating and ventilating products, for residential and commercial contruction, remodeling and repair, and do-it-yourself markets in North America and Europe.

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#90352b0786 12/18/1990 ~Business Wire
BOSTON (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - At its meeting today, the Board of Directors of The Gillette Company (NYSE:GS) took the following actions:

Declared the quarterly dividend of 27 cents per share on the common stock of the Company, payable March 5, 1991, to stockholders of record February 1, 1991.

Declared the regular quarterly dividend of $21.875 per share on the 8 3/4 percent Series B Convertible Preferred Stock (an unlisted security), payable March 29, 1991 to stockholders of record on February 28, 1991.

Declared the dividend covering the period from January 1, 1991, through March 29, 1991, of $12.0575 per share on the 8 percent Series C ESOP Convertible Preferred Stock (an unlisted security), payable March 29, 1991.

CONTACT: The Gillette Company, Boston David A. Fausch (617) 421-7765 Milton L. Glass (617) 421-7750

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#90352b0787 12/18/1990 ~Business Wire
NORTHVALE, NJ (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - BALTEK Corp. (NASDAQ:BTEK) Tuesday announced that the board of directors has declared a regular semi-annual dividend of $.075 per common share. The dividend is payable Jan. 18, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 11, 1991. Jacques Kohn, BALTEK President, commented, ''This regular semi-annual dividend reflects our confidence in the continued profitability of BALTEK.''

CONTACT: BALTEK CORP., Northvale
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or
Strategic Growth International, New York
Donald C. Weinberger, 212/826-9622

-30- 742
#90352b0814 12/18/1990 ~Business Wire

FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Burlington Northern Railroad Co. (the ''company'') Tuesday announced the completion of its exchange offers to holders of its Great Northern Railway Co. General Mortgage Bonds, 3-1/8 percent, Series O, due 2000 (''GN Series O Bonds'') and 2-5/8 percent, Series Q, due 2010 (''GN Series Q Bonds''), and Northern Pacific Railway Co. General Lien Railway and Land Grant 3 percent Bonds, due 2047 (''NP General Lien Bonds'').

These exchange offers expired at midnight, New York City time, on Monday, Dec. 17.

Based on information provided to the company by Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York (the ''exchange agent''), as of midnight, New York City time, on Dec. 17, the aggregate principal amounts of the GN Series O Bonds, GN Series Q Bonds and NP General Lien Bonds tendered were as follows: GN Series O Bonds $3,958,000; GN Series Q Bonds $5,999,000; and NP General Lien Bonds $13,095,000.

As previously announced, the company's exchange offers to holders of St. Louis-San Francisco Railway Co. Income Debentures, 5 percent, Series A, due 2006, and First Mortgage Bonds, 4 percent, Series A, due 1997, will expire at midnight, New York City time, on Thursday, Dec. 20, unless further extended by the company.

Also as previously announced, the company's exchange offer to holders of its Northern Pacific Railway Co. Prior Lien Railway and Land Grant 4 percent Bonds due 1997, has been extended and will expire midnight, New York City time, on Friday, Dec. 28, unless further extended by the company.

The exchange offers are made only by prospectus. Any questions or requests for assistance or copies of the Prospectus may be directed to the information agent, Kissel-Blake Inc., at 800/554-7733.

CONTACT: Burlington Northern Railroad Co., Fort Worth
Mike Wenninger, 817/878-2306

-30- 2044
#90352b0817 12/18/1990 ~Business Wire

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Devon Group Inc. (NASDAQ:DEVN) Tuesday announced that its overall prospects and performance would be enhanced if it withdrew from the financial printing business.

In light of the difficulties characterizing financial printing generally and the diminished prospects of achieving its original goals for its subsidiary, The Aztech Chas P. Young Co., Devon has decided to devote its energy and resources toward its other graphic arts business units which have historically been its source of growth and superior return on equity.

Accordingly, Devon will establish a reserve, net of taxes, in its third quarter of approximately $12 million, or $1.68 per share. The company currently believes this provision reflects all potential losses in connection with its loans to, investment in, and certain other obligations related to its financial printing subsidiary.

Devon is working with Aztech as it considers several courses of action, one of which is the prospect of a purchase by a management group.

Devon Group Inc., is a diversified graphic arts company which provides the following services and products: pre-press computerized typesetting, composition, and color separation; printing, binding, and fulfillment to a broad base of magazine publishers; and publishing/distribution of posters, art reproductions, original art, note cards, and calendars.

CONTACT: Devon Group Inc., Stamford
Joseph E. Sichler or Bruce K. Koch, 203/964-1444

-30- 1672
#90352b0825 12/18/1990 ~Business Wire

OTTAWA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Cognos Inc. (TSE:CSN; NASDAQ:COGNF) Tuesday announced results for its third quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

All financial results are reported in Canadian dollars.

Revenue increased 32% to $36.4 million from $27.6 million for the same period last year. Pretax income was $2.7 million, net after tax income was $1.7 million and earnings per share were 16 cents for the quarter. This compares with a net loss of $8.0 million and a per share loss of 77 cents for the corresponding period last year.

Revenues for the nine months ended November 30, 1990 increased 29% to $99.8 million from $77.5 million for the same period last year. Pretax income was $5.1 million, net after tax income was $3.2 million and earnings per share were 30 cents. This compares with a net after tax loss of $18.2 million and a loss per share of $1.74 for the same period last year.

Michael Potter, Cognos Chairman and Chief Executive Officer said, ''These results are evidence of the current health of our business. Revenue growth of 32% and consistently improving profitability in recent quarters attests to the competitiveness of our products and the company's increased effectiveness in delivering those products to the market. Despite a generally slower economic trend in some markets, our pipelines of perspective business remain strong as we enter the fourth quarter.''

Commenting on revenue growth, Potter added, ''Revenue from license sales of our PowerHouse product line in the Digital VAX and Hewlett-Packard MPE-XL markets increased 55%, compared to the same quarter last year. These strengths were somewhat offset by a decline in sales of licenses into the older Hewlett-Packard MPE-V market, consistent with our expectation. Final beta testing of the full PowerHouse 4GL for the IBM AS/400 is proceeding on schedule, with product release expected during the fourth quarter. Early indications are that customer interest in the IBM market is high.''

On earnings, Potter concluded, ''Our sales productivity during the quarter continued to show dramatic improvement over the same period last year. In competitive situations we are winning more often and penetrating larger, more strategic accounts. We are especially pleased with the performance of our U.S. subsidiary in a marketplace where specific weaknesses among some direct competitors are more evident. These productivity gains, together with continued close monitoring of costs, have resulted in improved operating margins during the quarter, and positive cash flows for the last two quarters.''

Cognos markets application development software used on mid- range computers. The publicly-held company is headquartered in Ottawa, Canada, with worldwide sales, service and marketing operations based in Burlington, Mass. Its PowerHouse products are used at over 16,000 installations in 68 countries.

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Beaupre & Co. Public Relations
Christine Flaherty, 603/436-6690.

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BOSTON (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - UST Corp., parent company of the USTrust banks in Massachusetts and UST Bank/Connecticut, declared its regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.1575 per share payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

This quarterly cash dividend is at the annual rate of $0.63 cents per share.

In addition, the board of directors determined that, in light of the continued weak economy, ''prudent and conservative fiscal management'' dictated that $12 million be added to the company's loan loss reserves. This increase will bring the loan loss reserve to $36 million by year-end, which constitutes 55 percent of present non-accrual loans. This action will reflect a loss for the fourth quarter and a slight profit for the year.

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Sheila Celata, 617/726-7120

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#90352b0831 12/18/1990 ~Business Wire
RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert H. Hilb, president of Hilb, Rogal & Hamilton Co. (NASDAQ: HRHC) announced the merger of Sherar, Cook & Gardner Inc., of New Orleans, La., into Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co.'s New Orleans insurance agency to be effective Dec. 31, 1990.

Terms were not disclosed.

Hilb stated, ''This merger represents another orderly step in the expansion of our company and strengthens our presence in Lousiana.''

According to J. William Sherar, who will become a senior vice president of Hilb's New Orleans agency, ''This move provides a basis to offer improved services to our clients, and assures that our tradition of service to the New Orleans community will continue even stronger.''

Ronald J. Schexnaydre, president of Hilb's New Orleans agency commented, ''The addition of the Sherar, Cook & Gardner people and their expertise complements our office nicely, and together we expect to be able to offer our clients even better services.''

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. provides insurance agency services to a wide variety of clients through its network of wholly owned subsidiaries which operate 41 insurance agencies in 16 states and the District of Columbia. The company is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol, HRHC.

CONTACT: Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co., Richmond
Robert H. Hilb, 804/747-6500

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#90352b0837 12/18/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - American International Petroleum Corp.

(NASDAQ:AIPN) announced the finalization of drilling activities at its Puli No. 1 well in the Puli Association Contract Area.

The well was initially drilled to 4800 feet and encountered severe loss of circulation and several shows of oil and gas. The well was then plugged back to 3400 feet and the hole was side tracked in a different direction, encountering completely different lithology to a depth of 6200 feet.

Although several potential reservoir sands were encountered, the logging information showed the formation to be non-commercial due to its poor porosity.

The Puli No. 1 was plugged on Dec. 5, 1990 and the company will re-evaluate the information derived from the well and its side-track as well as other geological information to determine if another exploratory well of the Puli Anticline is justified.

American International Petroleum Corp. is engaged in refining, oil and natural gas exploration, production, transportation, and marketing activities in Louisiana and Kentucky as well as Colombia, South America.

CONTACT: D.H. Waugh & Associates, New York Donald Waugh, 212/944-1853

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HILLIARD, OH (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Medex Inc. and Ivion Corp., formerly a privately held company based in Englewood, Colo., Tuesday announced the two companies have consummated the merger agreement whereby Medex has acquired all outstanding shares of Ivion Corp.

Ivion Corp. will retain its name, current location and management team.

Ivion Corp. respresents '' a good acquisition for our company,'' said Craig Waldbillig, chairman and chief executive officer of Medex.

''Ivion's product lines will greatly increase and broaden the advances Medex has made in several health care markets, including neonatal intensive care, anesthesia, oncology and pain management,'' Waldbillig said.

''These advances began when Medex purchased MedFusion Systems Inc. of Atlanta in 1988.''

''We are acquiring the expertise and products necessary to materially increase our access to these markets,'' Waldbillig said.

''Medex and its MedFusion subsidiary have the research and development capability, reputation for quality products, and financial and manufacturing strength to assist in bringing our products to market,'' said William E.

Younkes, president of Ivion Corp. ''We are excited about this opportunity to grow as part of a company much like our own in terms of products, markets and management philosophy.''

Ivion Corp. was founded in 1984 and began marketing a limited line of products in 1987. For the year ending Dec. 31, 1990, the company will have sales of approximately $18 million. Ivion develops and markets products for the delivery of drugs to patients in both institutional and home care settings. Among its products are a line of in-hospital volumetric infusion pumps and a portable ambulatory pump for in-hospital and outpatient use. Its products are used for chemotherapy, as well as neonatal drug and fluid administration. Ivion Corp. also manufactures and markets standard and custom disposable products.

Medex, with 1990 sales of $44.7 million, designs, manufactures, assembles and markets a broad range of disposable hospital products for life-support systems including intravenous fluid administration and invasive pressure monitoring.

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Paul Werth Associates Inc., Columbus, Ohio
614/224-8114

-30- 2516

#90352c0003 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by H & S Treat & Release Inc.(TICKER: TRRE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$134,500	$118,750
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$445	$(13,504)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,965,500	6,993,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,804,804	$1,802,856

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,659,082	$1,658,637

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#90352c0004 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Dandees Enterprises Inc.(TICKER: DANY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,164,669	$874,699
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(995,793)	$(287,836)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.88)	$(0.41)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,137,500	700,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,637,736	$458,582
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,393,602	$(46,053)

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Rax Restaurants Inc.(TICKER: RAXR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended

	Oct. 29, 1990	Oct. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$21,457,000	27,424,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,586,000)	$(1,183,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.23)	$(0.17)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,037,000	7,031,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 29, 1990	July 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$61,402,000	$61,031,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(3,910,000)	$(2,319,000)

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#90352c0006 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by W.H. Brady Co.(TICKER: BRCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$49,721,000	$44,979,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,755,000	$3,842,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$149,159,000	$147,197,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$107,286,000	$103,784,000

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Capital Acquisitions Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,372	$4,372
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,163	$1,163

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,000,000	5,000,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$49,099	$10,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$11,163	$10,000

The company reports it is a development stage enterprise and as of Oct. 31, 1990, had not commenced its planned principal operations. Its executive address is 2090 North Miami Avenue, Miami, FL 33137, and its telephone number is (305) 573-9000.

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#90352c0008 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Management Graphics Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$566,431	$451,341
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$25,092	$1,882
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,076,423	$1,882,733
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,475,388	$1,415,595

Figures are reported in Canadian dollars.

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#90352c0009 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Petroleum Helicopters Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$51,972,141	$50,618,594
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$3,658,626	$4,287,143
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.62	$0.70
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,999,000	$6,089,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$142,474,942	$139,271,725
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$66,060,726	$78,403,233

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#90352c0011 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 17) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Kewaunee Scientific Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$18,816,000	$18,442,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(580,000)	$36,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.22)	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,586,000	2,586,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$38,660,000	$38,193,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$18,639,000	$19,355,000

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#90352c0012 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 13:

First Bancorp Indiana Inc. (FBII)
Willard Pease Oil and Gas Co. - Wts. 4/3/92 (WPOGW)

The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 12:

Express Cash International Corp. (XPRS)

The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 11:

Car Mart Inc. , Cl. A (CAMTA), Uts. 12/10/95 (CAMTU), Cl. A Wts. 12/10/95 (CAMTW)

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#90352c0013 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 14 due to an insufficient number of regular market makers - security never quoted (stk div):

Surgical Laser Technologies Inc. - WI (SLTIV)

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 13 due to capital and surplus being below minimum:

Fulton Federal Savings Bank (FFSB)

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 12 due to being postponed - security never quoted:

American Plastics Recycling Group Ltd. - Uts. 10/29/95 (APRGU)

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#90352c0014 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following issues will undergo name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 17:

Absorptive Technology Inc. (ABSVF) to International Absorbents Inc. (1 for 5 reverse split) (IABSF)

Members Service Corp. (MSCX) to New (1 for 5 reverse split) (MSCXD)
Pharmacontrol Corp. New (PHADC) to (PHARC)
Script Systems Inc. New (SCPTD) to (SCPT)

The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 14:

CF & I Steel Corp. (CFIP) to (CFIPQ)

The following issue underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 13:

American Enterprises Inc. (ACES) to (ACESE)

American Telecommunications Corp. New - WI (AMTFV) to ATC Inc. (ATCI)

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#90352c0015 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:15 that trade in Highland Superstores Inc.(NASDAQ: HIGH) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2. The company is located in Plymouth, Michigan.

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#90352c0016 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Texas Meridan Resources has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol TMR. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

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#90352c0017 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:32 that trade in Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc.(NASDAQ: METC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 12 3/4. The company is located in Woburn, Massachusetts.

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#90352c0019 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:44 that trade in Ultimap International Corp.(NASDAQ: UMAP) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 1 7/16. The company is located in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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#90352c0020 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:12 that trade in Metcalf & Eddy Co.(NASDAQ: METC) has been resumed. The first sale was 10 1/4; down 2 1/2 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

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#90352c0021 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:14 that trade in Liposome Co. Inc.(NASDAQ: LIPO) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 7/8. The company is located in Princeton, New Jersey.

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#90352c0022 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY JOHN DEERE INSURANCE CO. OWNS 1,533,150 SHARES (22.20%) OF RE CAPITAL CORP.(TICKER: RCC) OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 28, 1990 through Dec. 12, 1990, John Deere Insurance Co., et al. purchased 1,273,000 shares at a price of $9.33 to $15 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90352c0023 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD. OWNS 7,541,026 SHARES (8.66%) OF CIRCON CORP. (TICKER: CCON) OF SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The combined holdings of FMR, FMTC, Fidelity and FIL are 7,541,026, or approximately 8.66 percent of the outstanding shares of the company.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 2 through Nov. 27, 1990, two international accounts purchased 142,100 shares at a price of $1.84 to $2.82 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment equity interest.

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#90352c0024 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD. OWNS 623,700 SHARES (6.62%) OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS) OF SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The combined holdings of FMR, FMTC, Fidelity and FIL are 623,700 shares, or approximately 6.62 percent of the outstanding shares of the company.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 31 through Dec. 05, 1990, two international accounts purchased 140,600 shares at a price of $7.85 to $9.48 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment equity interest.

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#90352c0025 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

WASTE MANAGEMENT INC. OF OAK BROOKS, ILLINOIS OWNS 22,900,370 SHARES (55.70%) OF WHEELABRATOR TECHNOLOGIES INC.(TICKER: WTI) OF DANVERS, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 10, 1990, WMI exercised the option to purchase 440,835 shares of company common stock at a price of $26.04 per share pursuant to the modification agreement.

PURPOSE:

Exercise of option.

-30- 592
#90352c0027 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY INTERNATIONAL NETWORK FUND LP. OWNS 2,160,000 SHARES (34.65%) OF HAUSER CHEMICAL RESEARCH INC.(TICKER: HAUS) OF BOULDER, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec, 7, 1990, the purchasers acquired from the Corporation 1,000,000 shares

of series A preferred stock and warrants to purchase an aggregate of 560,000 shares of common stock. The series A preferred stock will be convertible into common stock at any time or from time to time after Oct. 15, 1992. Until Oct. 15, 1992, each share of preferred stock shall, for voting purposes only, be deemed to be convertible into 1.6 shares of common stock. The beneficially-owned shares assume the 1.6 shares of common stock conversion rate and the exercise of the warrants. Section 1.5 of the stock purchase agreement provides the purchasers with the election, within 90 days after the closing, to purchase an additional 200,000 shares of series A preferred stock and warrants to purchase up to 112,000 additional shares of common stock. Each purchaser disclaims beneficial ownership of any shares held by any other purchaser.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1344
#90352c0028 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GLB BAY AREA REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT ASSOCIATES LP. OWNS 11,009,706 SHARES (20.40%) OF CATELLUS DEVELOPMENT CORP.(TICKER: CDX) OF SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 4, 1990, shares of Catellus Development Corp. common stock were distributed to holders of record of Santa Fee common stock at the close of business on Nov. 29, 1990 on the basis of one share of common stock for every four shares of Santa Fe common stock held on the record date. As a result of the distribution, CalPERS received 312,168 shares of the common stock. In Dec. 1989, BAREIA purchased from Catellus Development Corp. a convertible debenture in the principal amount of $75 million, due on Dec. 28, 1994, that may be converted, at any time after Dec. 31, 1991 until final maturity, into shares of Catellus Development Corp. common shares at conversion price per share equal to the market price.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Dec. 6 through Dec. 10, 1990, CalPERS sold 43,000 shares at a price of $9.16 to $9.69 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1282
#90352c0029 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

J.M. DAVIS OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 15,625,935 SHARES (5.10%) OF MEDICIS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP.(TICKER: MDRX) OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Davis disclaims any voting control over shares owned by Mrs. Davidowitz; and 113,219 shares beneficially-owned by Mr. Davis underly 33,509 shares and 39,855 class A warrants held by Blair as market-maker.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 1 through Nov. 30, 1990, J.M. Davis purchased 537,420 class A shares at a total purchase price of $353,304.98 and sold 366,370 class A shares for a total consideration of $279,091.01; purchased 531,290 class A warrants at a total purchase price of $102,265.31 and sold 393,160 class A warrants for a total consideration of $102,291.71; and purchased 20,570 units at a total purchase price of $63,225.50 and sold 61,925 units for a total consideration of $282,755.

-30- 1076
#90352c0030 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY J.M. DAVIS OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 1,032,243 SHARES (18.00%) OF WOLF FINANCIAL GROUP INC.(TICKER: WOFG) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 16 through Nov. 30, 1990, Blair sold 2,000 shares at a price of $5.75 per share and Mr. Davis transferred 400,000 and 185,100 shares as gifts to the Morton Foundation and Ms. Davidowitz, respectively.

-30- 595
#90352c0031 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 51

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 13, 1990, William Spier met with representatives of Goldman, Sachs & Co., the company's financial advisor, and indicated that he and certain affiliates of Sutton remain interested in acquiring the company and would be willing to increase from $4.25 to $5.25 the per share price offered to acquire the company in Sutton's letter of Dec. 3, 1990.

-30- 586
#90352c0032 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 14, 1990, SMG-II announced that it has extended from Dec. 13 to Dec. 28, 1990 its offers to purchase debt and preferred stock of Supermarkets General Holdings Corp. Effective Dec. 7, 1990, Supermakets entered into an agreement acceptable to SMG-II amending certain financial covenants and an additional provision contained in the Bank credit agreement among Supermarkets and the Banks party thereto. The depositary for the offers informed SMG-II on Dec. 13, 1990, $31,025,868 principal amount of junior debentures had been tendered pursuant to the junior debenture offer and that 642,889 shares of preferred had been tendered pursuant to the preferred stock offer. On Dec. 5, 1990, a holder of preferred stock filed a complaint in Chancery Court in New Castle County, Delaware against Supermarkets and its directors, SMG-II and affiliates of SMG-II alleging that the offer constitutes a breach of fiduciary duties owed by Supermarket's directors to holders of preferred stock. The complaint seeks declaratory and injunctive relief with respect to the preferred stock. The defendants believe that the lawsuit is without merit and intend to defend it vigorously.

-30- 1393
#90352c0034 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - Riverdale, Md.-based Netword Inc. (TICKER: NTWD) has agreed to acquire EDPS Systems Ltd., a Hong Kong-based systems-integration company, in a stock-swap deal, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 17, 1990.

-30- 493
#90352c0036 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - Hartford, Conn.-based Compudyne Corp. (TICKER: CDC) has sold its Vega Precision Laboratories Inc. and Ocean Applied Research Corp. subsidiaries to Carlton Industries Inc., a newly formed company headed by former Vega Precision President M.C. Barnard, for $4.87 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 17, 1990.

-30- 577
#90352c0037 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - Boyertown, Pa.-based National Penn Bancshares Inc.(TICKER: NPBC) has acquired Sellersville Savings and Loan Association for $21 a share or $17.77 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 17, 1990.

-30- 485
#90352c0038 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - Muncie, Ind.-based Ball Corp.(TICKER: BLL) has acquired the remaining 50 percent of its Ball-InCon Glass Packaging Corp. joint venture from NV Hollandsch-Amerikaansche, for $65 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 17, 1990.

-30- 522
#90352c0039 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - Independence, Ohio-based BT Energy Corp. (TICKER: STAT) has acquired certain nonoperating oil and gas properties located in Pennsylvania, New York, Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Alabama, from Staten Island, N.Y.-based FRI Investments Inc., as the first part of a $1.9 million deal.

The deal calls for BT to buy another 65 wells in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and New York from FRI, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

FRI is a subsidiary of Brooklyn Union Gas Corp.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 17, 1990.

-30- 791

#90352c0040 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - Dallas-based USA Waste Services Inc. (TICKER: USAS) has agreed to buy certain assets of C.A.T. Industrial Disposal Service Inc. for $1.25 million cash.

The assets include collection equipment and containers, shop equipment and tools, shop parts, office equipment, customer accounts and contracts, and the trade name ''ACT-I Industrial Disposal Services,'' according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 17, 1990.

-30- 696

#90352c0041 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:11 that trade in Highland Superstores Inc.(NASDAQ: HIGH) has been resumed. The first sale was 2; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 355

#90352c0042 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:15 that trade in Liposome Co. Inc.(NASDAQ: LIPO) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 3/4; down 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 348

#90352c0044 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by DocuGraphix Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$54,310	$275,188
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(306,024)	$(139,735)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.01)

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,466,316	10,581,557

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,185,527	$1,167,902
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$383,881	$405,289

-30- 957

#90352c0045 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Milastar Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$992,000	$1,022,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$68,000	$83,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,117,459	2,110,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,544,000	$7,680,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,227,000	$6,063,000

-30- 949

#90352c0046 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Information Science Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,951,500	$3,681,700
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$83,700	$(239,300)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	17,587,665	17,581,334

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,590,800	$10,814,200
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,766,400	$5,602,000

-30- 988

#90352c0047 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 3 1990, Centercore Inc. and its subsidiary, Nord Systems Inc., settled a lawsuit in which the companies were named as defendants. The suit was brought by Frank J. Barnes Jr., the former president of Nord, in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Suffolk County.

The settlement agreement, Centercore reports, provides for certain payments to Barnes and the exchange of mutual releases. Settlement and defense costs to be expensed in the fourth quarter will be approximately $1.5 million, the company states.

-30- 765

#90352c0048 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by NHD Stores Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended,	Oct. 27, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
REVENUES	$13,740,000	$13,456,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(134,000)	$(169,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$(0.13)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,222,000	1,322,000

BALANCE SHEET

Oct. 27, 1990	Jan. 27, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$26,386,000	$23,143,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,202,000	$9,101,000

-30- 991

#90352c0049 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Plaza Communications Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,054,561	$1,186,457
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(98,643)	$155,630
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,488,025	3,488,025

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$639,746	$694,529
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$171,594	$270,237

-30- 966

#90352c0050 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 4 1990, Thomson-CSF announced it signed a contract for $670.0 million with Saudi Arabia, related to the sale of Crotale Air Defense Weapon Systems, including missiles and associated logistic support.

Thomson states the equipment will be delivered shortly.

-30- 499

#90352c0052 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Decision Systems Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$705,583	$1,251,983
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(401,061)	$2,328
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.17)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,351,412	2,351,412

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,044,904	$1,285,403
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,348	$361,789

-30- 961

#90352c0053 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Waterhouse Investor Services Inc. dismissed its certifying accountant, Arthur Andersen & Co., on Dec. 12, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 540

#90352c0054 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Dynamic Classics Ltd.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,427,312	$13,294,535
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$536,371	$139,251
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.31	$0.08
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,733,385	1,749,310

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$13,488,217	$9,852,234
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,393,518	$3,857,147

-30- 965

#90352c0055 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Kings Road Entertainment Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989

REVENUES	$6,762,266	$7,155,504
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$3,211,469	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,972,945	$17,775
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.56	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,306,127	5,080,047

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,516,499	$24,528,411
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,951,477	$945,742

-30- 985

#90352c0056 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Vacation Spa Resorts Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$15,884,000	$11,031,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$666,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,863,000	$1,331,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$0.04

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$27,155,000	$23,163,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$12,961,000	$11,797,000

-30- 934

#90352c0057 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 7 1990, Code-Alarm Inc., on the recommendation of its audit committee, engaged the services of Coopers & Lybrand as its certifying accountants.

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#90352c0058 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 1

1990, Pentech International Inc. dismissed its independent accountants, Laventhol & Horwath.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 525
#90352c0060 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY WMG CO. OF HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT OWNS 200,200 SHARES (7.50%) OF EAGLE FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: EAG) OF TORRINGTON, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 14, 1990 to Dec. 11, WMG Co., et al. sold 27,000 shares at $8.43 to $8.68 each.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 494
#90352c0061 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD. OWNS 23,630,329 SHARES (9.82%) OF FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION (TICKER: FNM) OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 9 to Nov. 30, 1990, Fidelity International LTD., bought 20,200 shares at $32.06 to $32.43 each and sold 9,500 shares at $29.96 to $30.56 each.

-30- 522
#90352c0062 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 309,800 SHARES (46.57%) OF THE LVI GROUP INC.(TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

GAMCO sold 28,000 preferred shares on Dec. 13 at $.20 each.

-30- 412
#90352c0063 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L. OSSER OWNS 1,455,500 SHARES (11.00%) OF SWISS SUN INTL LTD. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In October, Osser bought 1,352,000 company common shares as part of a series of transactions involving the company. In September, the company entered into a letter of intent that would transfer its skin-care business to Suisse Sun Cosmetics Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary; merge Capital Liason Corp. (wholly owned by Osser) into Suisse Sun; and merge Suisse Sun into a wholly owned subsidiary of U.S. Opportunity Search Inc. If the mergers were to occur, Osser and the company would own 42.4 percent and 57.6 percent, respectively of Suisse Sun and 38 percent and 51.7 percent, respectively, of U.S. Opportunity Search. Osser, along with two other individuals, agreed to purchase an aggregate of $250,000 in notes from Martin Hodas.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 1 to Nov. 1, 1990, L. Osser bought 1,455,500 shares at $.001 to $1.31 each.

-30- 1178
#90352c0064 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

AT&T announced on Dec. 16, 1990, that it plans to begin a proxy contest for control of the company, but will first ask company shareholders to request a special shareholders meeting. AT&T also announced that it is extending the expiration date of its offer to Jan. 15 from Jan. 4. On Dec. 14, the company

filed a motion in U.S. District Court seeking to add an additional claim for relief and alleges that the 14D-1 and offer to purchase by AT&T are false, manipulative and misleading in that they fail to disclose that an alleged condition to the offer is that the company's board approve a friendly transaction with AT&T; fail to disclose facts concerning AT&T's alleged failures in the computer business; falsely indicate that AT&T may be willing to wait up to 18 months to complete a business combination with the company; and fail to disclose that combinations of computer companies in recent times have allegedly resulted in failure.

-30- 1161
#90352c0065 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 700,000 SHARES (8.40%) OF FISERV INC. (TICKER: FISV) OF WEST ALLIS, WISCONSIN.

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 465
#90352c0066 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS (5.00%) OF FIRST FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FFHC).

PURPOSE:

To show a decrease in the number of shares that are beneficially owned by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

-30- 432
#90352c0068 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

FMR CORP. OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 1,344,150 SHARES (8.14%) OF COMERICA

INC.(TICKER: CMCA) OF DETROIT, MICHIGAN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 9 and Dec. 5, 1990 FMR Corp. purchased 236,350 shares at $34 to $39.72 per share and sold 10,700 shares at $34 to $38.50 per share.

-30- 474
#90352c0069 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

KUSAI HM AL AZZAWI OWNS 486,100 SHARES (11.96%) OF ALLIED RESEARCH CORP. (TICKER: ARAI) OF BALTIMORE, MARYLAND.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 31 and Dec. 7, 1990 Kusai HM Al Azzawi purchased 72,000 shares at an indeterminable price.

-30- 450
#90352c0070 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY SANDLER ASSOCIATES OWNS 471,800 CLASS A SHARES (7.20%) OF OUTLET COMMUNICATIONS INC.(TICKER: OCOM) OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 13, 1990 Sandler Associates, et al. sold 6,500 shares at an unreported price.

-30- 460
#90352c0071 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

R.M. FRIEDLAND OWNS 2,598,515 SHARES (5.80%) OF GALACTIC RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: GLC) OF VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 2, 1990 an incentive stock option to purchase 1 million Galactic Resources LTD. shares held by R.M. Friedland expired unexercised. On Dec. 11, 1990 Ivanhoe Capital Corp. sold 145,000 Galactic Resources LTD. shares at CND$1.10 per share.

-30- 593
#90352c0072 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

WYNN FOUNDATION OWNS 401,853 SHARES (11.10%) OF WYNN'S INTL INC.(TICKER: WN) OF FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Wynn Foundation has disposed of some Wynn's International Inc. securities to cover certain expenses and taxes related to the adminstration of the foundation.

-30- 493
#90352c0073 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

W.F. NICKLIN OF NEWBURGH, NEW YORK OWNS 95,475 SHARES (6.90%) OF INRAD INC. (TICKER: INRD) OF NORTHVALE, NEW JERSEY.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 30 and Dec. 6, 1990 W.F. Nicklin purchased 14,000 shares at $3.50 to $3.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 461
#90352c0074 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

LATEST TRANSACTION:

JF Shea Co. sold 34,000 shares for a total of $12,682 and Edmund H. Shea purchased 34,000 shares at $12,818 at unreported dates.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 379
#90352c0077 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M.C. SCHWARTZ OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 96,000 SHARES (5.28%) OF THE SOMERSET GROUP INC.(TICKER: SOMR) OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 5, 1990 M.C. Schwartz purchased 4,400 shares at $6.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 459
#90352c0078 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 23

D.F. LAROCHE OWNS 1,877,288 SHARES (57.46%) OF NECO ENTERPRISES INC. OF MIDDLETOWN, RHODE ISLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Sept. 6, 1990 Neco Enterprises Inc. approved a proposal to convert the payment of interest on certain of its outstanding convertible debentures making payment in kind by delivering shares to the holder of debentures in accordance with the terms of the debentures. As a result of the conversion, Neco Enterprises Inc. issued to D.F. Laroche 25,491 shares. On Nov. 27, 1990 D.F. Laroche filed in US District Court an objection to the motion for prejudgement attachment sought by the Amoskeag Bank alleging that the bank's May 3, 1990 action of transferred and registering to its own name 207,350 pre split shares constituted an acceptance by the bank of the collateral in

satisfaction of the obligation of D.F. Laroche to the plaintiff.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 4 and Nov. 27, 1990 D.F. Laroche acquired 25,491 shares through conversion of debenture payment in kind.

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#90352c0079 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 3,917,000 SHARES (8.10%) OF MATTEL INC.(TICKER: MAT) OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90352c0080 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 365,000 SHARES (5.90%) OF WTD INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: WTDI) OF PORTLAND, OREGON.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90352c0081 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 1,256,500 SHARES (8.10%) OF MILLICOM INC.(TICKER: MILL) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90352c0082 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 730,000 SHARES (5.60%) OF RCM TECHNOLOGIES INC.(TICKER: RCMT) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

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#90352c0083 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GROUP LED BY J.S. FLUM OWNS 13,937,103 SHARES (71.21%) OF NEW GENERATION FOODS INC.(TICKER: NGEN).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Flum paid cash in the amount of $35,238.10 in connection with the Nov. 12, 1990 purchase and $5,000 in connection with the Nov. 27, 1990 purchase and delivered two promissory notes for the balance in the principal amounts of $1,286,190.65 and $335,800, respectively. Each promissory note is due and payable, with interest determined by applicable federal rate in effect each year, ten (10) years from the date of issuance.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 12, 1990, the company sold to Mr. Flum 3,523,810 shares at a price of $0.375 per share and on Nov.27, 1990, 500,000 shares at a price of $0.6816 per share.

PURPOSE:

Options to purchase shares.

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#90352c0085 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result of the previously reported dissolution of the partnership and the distribution of shares of common stock to partners of the partnership, the partnership on Dec. 14, 1990 ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five (5) percent of the outstanding shares.

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#90352c0086 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

Stamford (DEC. 18) COMTEX - On August 9, 1990, Comtex reported that W.E. Flaherty (Chairman), T. Veale III (Director), D.N. Judelson (Director) and D.O. Carpenter (Chairman) had each sold 9.75 million shares of Horsehead Resource Development (HHRD). The story should have read as a single transaction indirectly involving the insiders named above.

Comtex regrets the error.

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#90352c0087 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 16, 1990, Hollywood Park Operating Co. elected Stan Seiden to its board of directors.

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#90352c0088 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 5 1990, Data General Corp. entered into an agreement with Nippon Telegraph and Telephone of Japan.

The agreement terminates the joint HHX network development project being conducted by Data General and Nippon Telegraph and Telephone.

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#90352c0089 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows as of Dec. 10, 1990, S&L Liquidating Partnership (formerly Spicer & Oppenheim) resigned as the principal accountants for Refac Technology Development Corp.

On the same date, Refac appointed Grant Thornton as its independent accountants.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

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#90352c0090 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 5 1990, Real Estate Equities Corp. filed Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings in which it seeks to remain in business as a debtor-in-possession.

On the following day, Dec. 6, the company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Spokane Concrete Products Inc., also filed a petition under Chapter 11.

The executive office of Real Estate Equities is located at 1300 Seafirst Financial Center, Spokane, Washington 99201 and its telephone number is (509) 455-9665.

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#90352c0091 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 15, 1990, MaxPharma Inc. filed for relief under Chapter 11 of the bankruptcy code in the U.S. bankruptcy court for the western district of Oklahoma.

MaxPharma continues to operate as a debtor-in-possession.

MaxPharma's executive office is located at 1601 N.W. Expressway, Suite 1401, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73118 and its telephone number is (405) 843-4400.

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#90352c0093 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 3 1990, Angel Entertainment Inc.(TICKER: AGEL) dismissed its independent accountant, Arthur Andersen & Co.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two

years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion.

It was however, modified to include an explanatory fourth paragraph to comment on the substantial doubt regarding the ability of Angel Entertainment to continue as a going concern.

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#90352c0094 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 3 1990, Atlas Bradford, a subsidiary of Baroid Corp.(TICKER: BRC), announced it received a patent for its new FL-21 premium connection for oilfield tubulars.

Atlas Baroid is a manufacturer of premium threaded connections and reports the patent covers features of the FL-21 connection that greatly enhance its sealing capabilities.

Baroid states the patented concepts of the FL-21 connection are expected to be included in future Atlas Bradford product developments.

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#90352c0095 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 14, 1990, Fedtrust Corp. appointed KPMG Peat Marwick as its independent accountants.

Fedtrust's executive office is located at 3000 N. Sam Houston Parkway East, Houston, Texas 77032 and its telephone number is (713) 987-4000.

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#90352c0096 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - Columbia Holding Corp. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 15,000 units.

Each unit consists of 1,000 shares of common stock.

In addition, a certain holder is offering 100 million warrants. Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $0.02 during the two-year period commencing on the date of the prospectus.

The initial public offering price is $10.00 per unit.

This is a blind pool/blank check offering in that neither the use of the proceeds nor the business of the company is specified.

The company's executive office is located at 124 U Street N.W., Washington,

D.C. 20001 and its telephone number is (202) 544-6972.

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#90352c0097 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The Spanish Telephone Co. has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts. Each American Depositary Share represents the right to receive three shares, nominal value 500 pesetas each, of Spanish Telephone Co.

The depositary bank is Morgan Guaranty Trust Co. of New York and its telephone number is (212) 648-3200.

One hundred and twenty million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $0.05 per unit. The registration fee is $1,500.

Each unit represents one American Depositary Share.

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#90352c0098 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 12, 1990, Engineered Support Systems Inc.(TICKER: EASI) reported it had discovered an embezzlement in which the company estimates that approximately $375,000 was embezzled by two former employees in the company's purchasing department over a period of several years.

Engineered Support management states they expect the amount to be substantially covered by insurance.

The board of directors of Engineered Support, the company reports, retained the law firm of Thompson & Mitchell to conduct an investigation of the matter.

The company also has cooperated fully with governmental authorities and is responding to government requests for company documents, it states.

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#90352c0099 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Players International Inc.(TICKER: PLAY) reports that on Nov. 27, 1990, Lex Dolton acquired from C.L. Yerbic, Allen F. Sunset, R. Michael Bowers and Sammy Winder 70,000 shares of the issued and outstanding common stock of Play International Inc., for a total of $7,000 in cash.

Following the transaction and completion of the company's initial public

offering, there were issued and outstanding 112,770 shares of the company's common stock.

Additionally, in conjunction with the transaction noted, Dolton and Daniel P. Issel were appointed to the company's board of directors and Sunset, Bowers and Winder resigned from all positions held with the company.

Issel was subsequently elected president and chairman of the board of directors, and Dolton was elected secretary.

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#90352c0101 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30, 1990, USA Waste Services Inc.(TICKER: USAS) of Texas, a wholly-owned subsidiary of USA Waste Services, closed a transaction to purchase certain assets from C.A.T. Industrial Disposal Service Inc., a Texas corporation, of ACT-I Industrial Disposal Services.

The assets purchased included collection equipment and containers, shop equipment and tools, shop parts, office equipment, customer accounts and contracts, the trade name "ACT-I Industrial Disposal Services" and transfer of the ACT-I address and post office box.

The total purchase price payable to C.A.T. in cash was $1.25 million.

USA Waste reports C.A.T. is an unrelated third-party which was formerly the owner of a solid waste collection disposal business in and around Corsicana, Texas.

Additionally, in connection with the prior transaction, USA Waste Services Inc., the subsidiary of USA Waste, entered a five-year lease agreement for a certain parcel of real property and improvements thereon in Navarro County, Texas.

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#90352c0102 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows First American Energy Inc., on Dec. 13, 1990, reported that Walid el Houri, chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer, acquired a controlling interest in the company.

The controlling interest was achieved through Aminex Trading and Services Inc. S.A.R.L., a Beirut, Lebanon, company.

First American agreed to issue 13.95 million shares to Aminex in consideration for the assignment by Aminex to First American of a royalty interest of 15

Deutschemarks or $10 for each heart monitoring device sold anywhere in the world by Piccadilly Elektronische Systeme GmbH.

This royalty extends for a period of 20 years, ending in 2009.

The company's executive address is 2500 Military Trail, Suite 250, Boca Raton, Florida 33431, and its telephone number is (407) 241-4953.

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#90352c0103 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows BT Energy Corp., formerly Strata Corp., has acquired certain non-operated oil and gas properties from FRI Investments Inc., thereby concluding the first stage in a $1.92 million transaction.

This initial closing involved the acquisition by BT of interests in approximately 225 oil and natural gas wells and rights in related leases and other assets located in various states, including Pennsylvania, New York, Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Alabama, for a purchase price of $965,134.

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#90352c0104 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 20-F report filed at the NASD by New Zealand Petroleum Co. Ltd.(TICKER: NZPC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended May 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$321,313	$1,579,668
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$293,454
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,958,896)	$1,543,740
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$0.07

BALANCE SHEET

	May 31, 1990	May 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$11,849,981	$13,895,160
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,015,695	$11,974,591

NOTE: All amounts in New Zealand dollars and all figures based on accepted accounting principles as prescribed in New Zealand.

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#90352c0105 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 19, 1990, certain stockholders of MCI Communications Corp.(TICKER: MCIC) filed an action against the company in the U.S. district court for the District of Columbia.

The complaint alleges that MCI and three of its officers violated securities laws by making material misstatements of, or omitting to state, material facts relating to MCI's financial condition and prospects.

MCI reports that although the action is in the preliminary stages, it believes the claims to be without merit and intends to defend the action vigorously.

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#90352c0106 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows by letter dated Dec. 10, 1990, David G. Allen resigned as a director of CB&T Financial Corp.(TICKER: CBTF).

Mr. Allen's letter cites no specific reason for resignation.

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#90352c0107 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 4 1990, Saratoga Bancorp announced a $0.05 per share cash dividend and a 5% stock dividend effective for shareholders of record as of Dec. 14, 1990.

The dividends will be paid on Jan. 15, 1991.

Saratoga Bancorp is the holding company for Saratoga National Bank.

Saratoga Bancorp reported net income of $316,000 or $0.28 per share, for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Saratoga's executive office is located at 12000 Saratoga-Sunnyvale Road, Saratoga, California 95070 and its telephone number is (408) 973-1111.

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#90352c0109 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Oct. 31, 1990, Autoinfo Inc.(TICKER: AUTO) commenced legal proceedings against Hollander Publishing Co. Inc., Hollander Computer Systems Inc. and Thomson Publishing Corp. in the U.S. District Court for the southern district of New York.

The complaint states claims for alleged antitrust violations of Sections 1 and 2 of the Sherman Act and Section 7 of the Clayton Act, false and misleading promotional statements in violation of Section 43 (a) of the Lanham Act, unfair competition, misappropriation of trade secrets and breach of contract.

The subject matter of the claims relate to alleged wrongful acts by the defendants with respect to automobile interchange information and alleged acts by the Hollander defendants with respect to marketplace activity and misappropriation of Autoinfo's trade secrets.

The complaint seeks junctive relief, compensatory damages and punitive damages.

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#90352c0110 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 1 1990, pursuant to an agreement dated as of Oct. 1, 1990, and in consideration of the issuance of 4.0 million authorized but unissued shares, Genesa International Inc. acquired all the issued and outstanding shares of Omega Power Inc.

After the acquisition, the shareholders of Omega became the holders of 80% of the issued and outstanding shares of Genesa.

Through the acquisition of all the issued and outstanding shares in Omega, Genesa has acquired all the assets, liabiities, trademarks and business of Omega.

Following the transaction, Genesa changed its name to Omega Power Inc.

Concurrent with the acquisition, Krista Castleton and David Yeaman, directors of Genesa, resigned and Harry Lang, Gail Lang and Steve Lang, officers and directors of Omega, were elected to the board of directors of Genesa, resulting in control of Genesa passing to the new board of directors.

Omega is engaged in the business of re-marketing used and/or surplus utility high voltage products.

The company's executive offices are located at 5662 South 300 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84107, and its telephone number is (801) 268-0800.

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#90352c0111 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30, 1990, Golden Beverage Co.(TICKER: GNBV) held a special meeting of shareholders to elect three directors, increase its authorized capital stock and to ratify and approve a change in control.

The change in control was effected by the closing of a loan agreement dated Sept. 25, 1990 with Shiou Yun Wang, a nominee for director who subsequently was elected, Wang Hsiu-Ying Kyo and Ko Chai Wang, collectively known as the lenders.

The lenders advanced a total of $150,000 to the company on an unsecured basis pursuant to the loan agreement, entitling them, upon closing, to receive a number of shares of Golden's common stock equal to 52% of the then-outstanding number of shares.

The closing of the loan agreement required that at least an aggregate of $670,000 of Golden's indebtedness be extinguished.

The reorganization plan for such debt required that 90% was to be cancelled and 10% was to be converted into shares of common stock at the rate of $0.0026 per share.

The organization was effected with the holders of the company's 13.5% subordinated debentures and U.S. Agri Development Corp., and affiliate of Eugene C. Pace, the company's president and principal stockholder, on Nov. 30, 1990. A total of $712,277 of debt was extinguished, and 10%, or $71,227, was converted.

The executive office of Golden Beverage is located at 4063 Birch Street, Suite 230, Newport Beach, California 92660 and its telephone number is (714) 833-0425.

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#90352c0112 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 3 1990, Lee Wilson Engineering Co. Inc. announced that sales for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 were $3.27 million, as compared to $6.95 million for fiscal 1989, and that fiscal 1990 resulted in a net loss of $124,999, or $0.08 per share, as compared to net income of $294,254, or $0.20 per share, in fiscal 1989.

The company also announced on Dec. 3 that it was seeking various alternatives to maximize shareholder value, including the possible sale of the company.

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#90352c0113 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 29, 1990, Corcap Inc.(TICKER: CCP), which owns a major investment in CompuDyne Corp.(TICKER: CDC), sold a substantial portion of its business.

CompuDyne's subsidiaries, CompuDyne Inc., and Quanta Systems Corp., (QSC) sold the outstanding stock of their subsidiaries, Vega Precision Laboratories Inc. ("Vega") and Ocean Applied Research Corp. ("OAR"), to Carlton Industries Inc. Vega and OAR were each recently reorganized as subsidiary corporations of Corcap and QSC.

Carlton is a privately held company controlled by a group of investors which includes M.C. Barnard, who prior to the sale was president of the Vega division of Corcap.

The purchase price of Vega stock was $4.88 million, of which $2.25 million was paid in cash.

OAR stock was sold for $1.63 million, of which $750,000 was paid in cash.

Carlton also issued a promissory note to Corcap in the principal amount of $1.13 million and a promissory note to QSC in the amount of $375,000.

Carlton also issued preferred stock to Corcap, having a face value of $1.50 million and preferred stock to QSC having a face value of $500,000.

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#90352c0114 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Environmental Services of America Inc.(TICKER: ENSA), on Dec. 10, 1990, selected the accounting firm of Cooper, Selvin & Strassberg of Great Neck, New York to serve as its principal independent accountants.

The company's prior accountants, Shalik, Miniaci & Morris, will continue to assist the company in the preparation of its financial statements, states Environmental.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90352c0115 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

OKABENA PARTNERSHIP V-6 OWNS 411,500 SHARES (8.90%) OF TERRANO CORP. (TICKER: TRNO) OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 7 and Dec. 7, 1990 Okabena Partnership V-6 purchased 61,500 shares for a total purchase price of $108,343.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90352c0118 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY MORGAN SPECTRUM INC. OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA OWNS 4,347,502 SHARES (11.20%) OF SPECTRUM INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES INC.(TICKER: SPCL) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 5, 1990, Morgan Spectrum received 4,347,502 shares of common stock due to the dissolution of the partnership.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90352c0119 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY I. GROSSINGER OWNS 438,132 SHARES (5.38%) OF LAKE SHORE BANCORP. INC.(TICKER: LSNB) OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mr. Irwin Grossinger has executed a stock purchase agreement dated Dec. 5, 1990 between himself, Richard K. Frey and Lake Shore National Bank, as

Trustees for the Joseph R. Frey Trust dated Sept. 22, 1981. Mr. Grossinger has contracted under the stock purchase agreement to purchase, on or prior to Dec. 21, 1990 to purchase 340,000 shares of Lake Shore at $15 per share for an aggregate purchase price of $5,100,000. After the purchase of these shares, the Grossingers will beneficially own an aggregate of 9.56 percent of the Lake Shore shares.

PURPOSE:

Execution of stock purchase agreement.

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#90352c0120 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

H.H. HEDINGER OWNS 545,000 SHARES (5.32%) OF IMCO RECYCLING INC.(TICKER: IMRI) OF IRVING, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 18, 1990 through Dec. 13, 1990, H.H. Hedinger purchased 85,000 shares at a price of $4.50 to $5.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90352c0121 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Citicorp has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CCI. Trading was resumed at 14:15.

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#90352c0122 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:06 that trade in Index Technology Corp.(NASDAQ: INDX) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7 5/8. The company is located in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

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#90352c0123 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:10 that trade in

Sage Software Inc.(NASDAQ: SGSI) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 10 5/8. The company is located in Rockville, Maryland.

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#90352c0124 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Financial News Network Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended June 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$52,612,000	$44,608,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(3,076,000)	$(3,471,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(72,361,000)	$3,003,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(4.00)	$0.17
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	18,073,000	17,852,000

BALANCE SHEET

	June 30, 1990	June 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$92,958,000	$57,608,000
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)	$(33,471,000)	$37,916,000

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#90352c0126 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 17:

Bio Logic Systems - Wts. (BLSCW); Insufficient number of active market makers

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 14, due to an insufficient number of active market makers:

Digital Transmission Inc. - Cl. A (DTIAE)

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#90352c0127 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows B. Gary Scott resigned effective Sept. 26, 1990 as a director of both Star States Corp.(TICKER: STSS) and Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB.

Scott will remain, however, as chairman and chief executive officer of B. Gary Scott Inc. and as a member of the board of Star States Development Co.

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#90352c0128 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 10, 1990, Dow B. Hickam Inc.(TICKER: DBHI) engaged the accounting firm of Deloitte & Touche for 1990, due to the resignation of its former accountant, Laventhol & Horwath, on approximately Nov. 19, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

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#90352c0129 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Multi Soft Inc.(TICKER: MSOF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$904,692	$526,731
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(324,528)	$(332,922)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	19,581,668	19,214,016

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,833,529	$2,571,923
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,090,284	$1,487,192

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#90352c0130 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Summa RX Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: SMRX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$127,362	$276,273
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(46,339)	$(97,057)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,307,653	4,204,156

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$733,332	$812,434
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$330,177	$362,722

-30- 1110

#90352c0131 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by MTG Capital Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$8,700	$600
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(50)	$50
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,012,392	5,562,494

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$459,050	$460,400
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$457,350	$453,900

The company reports it is in the development stage, seeking acquisition of a business. Its executive address is 30 Central Park South, Suite 1CD, New York, New York 10019, and its telephone number is (212) 779-4043.

-30- 1291
#90352c0132 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Stanwick Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$25,281	$10,408
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$357	$10,408
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.01

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$30,521	$2,106,905
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$0.00	$1,814,671

The company reports its operations were sold during fiscal 1986 and a plan of complete liquidation and dissolution was adopted by the shareholders. Current revenues represent interest earned on invested balances. Stanwick's corporate address is 1800 K Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20006. Its telephone number is (202) 296-5700.

-30- 1337
#90352c0134 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Giant Pacific Petroleum Inc.(TICKER: GPPX) Figures are reported in Canadian dollars.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$116,101	$108,921

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(10,358)	$(33,352)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,311,930	$1,962,065
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,175,914	$1,836,272

-30- 1074

#90352c0135 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Water Instruments Inc.(TICKER: WTRS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,707,000	$2,773,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(94,000)	$(46,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,445,871	1,445,871

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,950,000	$7,329,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,356,000	$5,524,000

-30- 1098

#90352c0136 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Technology 80 Inc.(TICKER: TKAT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,687,937	$1,318,180
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(821,523)	$(363,705)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.53)	$(0.24)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,539,170	1,536,868

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,535,586	$2,286,707
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,351,120	$2,172,643

-30- 1069

#90352c0137 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pamet Systems Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$201,171	$217,045
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(80,851)	$(35,750)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,107,750	1,107,750

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$403,809	$214,505
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(258,654)	$197,306)

-30- 1070

#90352c0138 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 5

1990, Otter Tail Power Co.(TICKER: OTTR) agreed to sell $20.0 million principal amount of its first mortgage bonds, 8 3/4% Series of 1997, pursuant to an underwriting agreement with Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Inc.

-30- 442

#90352c0139 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Information International Inc.(TICKER: IINT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,720,748	$9,981,254
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$180,698	$58,497
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$0.02

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$36,805,307	$37,011,629
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$27,542,320	$27,004,495

-30- 1022

#90352c0140 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by North Hills Electronics Inc.(TICKER: NOHL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,476,238	$3,180,370
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(94,591)	$110,038
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.04)	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,686,812	2,699,746

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$14,645,726	$13,573,707
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,405,846	$5,290,492

-30- 1108

#90352c0142 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Vesper Corp.(TICKER: VESP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$36,546,000	$34,434,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,542,000	$2,489,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.22	$0.22

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$71,519,000	$71,017,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$38,790,000	$36,268,000

-30- 1018

#90352c0143 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by L.J. Simone Inc.(TICKER: LJSI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,583,000	$4,447,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(21,000)	$(2,760,000)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.88)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,148,000	3,148,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,426,000	$6,151,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(1,379,000)	$(1,263,000)

-30- 1098

#90352c0144 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Boston Technology Inc.(TICKER: BSTN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$9,353,000	$7,788,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$175,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$158,000	$601,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	22,586,000	19,839,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$28,670,000	$32,591,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$25,149,000	$23,052,000

-30- 1092

#90352c0145 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - E.S. FINLEY OF 55 LINCOLN AVE, PURCHASE, NEW YORK 10577, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,800 SHARES OF A.T. CROSS CO. (TICKER: ATX) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 13, 1990.

(A.T. CROSS CO. TEL: 401 333-1200)

-30- 400
#90352c0146 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PROFESSIONAL BUSINESS BROKERS OF 417 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10016, HAS FILED TO SELL 44,740 SHARES OF TOWERS FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: TOWF) THROUGH M.H. MEYERSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 12, 1990.

(TOWERS FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 212 696-0505)

-30- 465
#90352c0147 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.M.W. SCOTT OF 5555 PEACHTREE DUNWOODY RD, SUITE G-99, ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30342, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 CLASS A SHARES OF METRO MOBILE COURTS INC. (TICKER: MMZ) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 12, 1990.

(METRO MOBILE COURTS INC. TEL: 212 605-0800)

-30- 458
#90352c0148 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T.D. SEGE OF 29 EUGENIA LANE, WOODSIDE, CALIFORNIA 94062, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC. (TICKER: VAR) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 10, 1990.

(VARIAN ASSOCIATES INC. TEL: 415 493-4000)

-30- 424
#90352c0150 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLAYTON GRANDCHILDREN TRUST I OF P O BOX 15169, NEW TOPSIDE DR AT ALCOA HW KNOXVILLE, TN 37901, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CLAYTON HOMES INC. (TICKER: CMH) THROUGH MORGAN KEEGAN & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(CLAYTON HOMES INC. TEL: 615 970-7200)

-30- 471

#90352c0151 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL P GEISBERG OF 80 DORCAR ST, NEWTON, MA 02159, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 434
#90352c0152 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ASSET MGMT PARTNERS OF 1840 DEHAVILLAND DR, 0, THOUSAND OAKS, CA 91320, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(AMGEN INC. TEL: 805 499-5725)

-30- 413
#90352c0153 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES R HAYS OF 3878 HIGHGATE, MUSKEGON, MI 49441, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF KAYDON CORP. (TICKER: KDON) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(KAYDON CORP. TEL: 616 755-3741)

-30- 385
#90352c0154 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ADOLPH J FERRO OF 15425 E SW KOLL PKWY, BEAVERTON, OR 97006, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,000 SHARES OF EPITOPE INC. (TICKER: EPT) THROUGH BLACK & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(EPITOPE INC. TEL: 503 641-6115)

-30- 389
#90352c0155 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES L CLAYTON OF P O BOX 15169, NEW TOPSIDE DR AT ALCOA HWY, KNOXVILLE

TN 37901, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CLAYTON HOMES INC. (TICKER: CMH) THROUGH MORGAN KEEGAN & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(CLAYTON HOMES INC. TEL: 615 970-7200)

-30- 442
#90352c0156 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W BRUCE LUNSFORD OF BROWN & WILLIAMSON TWR STE 700, LOUISVILLE, KY 40202 HAS FILED TO SELL 22,500 SHARES OF VENCOR CORP. (TICKER: VCOR) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(VENCOR CORP. TEL: 502 569-7300)

-30- 416
#90352c0158 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TURI JOSEFSEN OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,900 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 399
#90352c0159 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THE PRODUCTIVITY FUND OF 25231 GROGANS MILL RD STE 100, WOODLANDS, TX 77380, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,338 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH FIRST ANALYSIS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

-30- 456
#90352c0160 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LAWRENCE F SYLVESTER OF 1121 DEXTER ST, PITTSBURGH, PA 15220, HAS FILED TO SELL 46,775 SHARES OF MYLAN LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: MYL) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(MYLAN LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 412 232-0100)

-30- 433
#90352c0161 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCOTT C CHEN OF 873 HAMPSWOOD WAY,
SAN JS OSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,095 SHARES OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(KOMAG INC. TEL: 408 946-2300)

-30- 384
#90352c0162 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TERRY J BAKER OF 1249 NW ELFORD DR, 0, SEATTLE, WA 98177, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,200 SHARES OF ARCTIC ALASKA FISHERIES CORP. (TICKER: ICE) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(ARCTIC ALASKA FISHERIES CORP. TEL: 206 282-3445)

-30- 439
#90352c0163 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH W GLOVER OF 6231 ROLLING WATER DR, 0, HOUSTON, TX 77069, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,968 SHARES OF PRODUCTION OPERATORS CORP. (TICKER: PROP) THROUGH JOHNSON RICE & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(PRODUCTION OPERATORS CORP. TEL: 404 231-1550)

-30- 443
#90352c0164 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BETTY B EVANS OF 8230 BUCKLAND MILL RD, GAINESVILLE, VA 22065, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF FANSTEEL INC. (TICKER: FNL) THROUGH JESUP & JOSEPHTHAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(FANSTEEL INC. TEL: 708 689-4900)

-30- 402
#90352c0166 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIETH E SORENSON OF 2500 WALSH AVE, SANTA CLARA, CA 95051, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 392
#90352c0167 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - & THORACIC ASSN CARDIOVASCULAR OF 1006 WALNUT ST, CANAL WINCHESTER, OH 43110, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. TEL: 614 833-9155)

-30- 473
#90352c0168 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARY E GROSS OF 3049 HIGHFIELD DR, MONTGOMERY, AL 36111, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,800 SHARES OF DURR-FILLAUER MEDICAL INC. (TICKER: DUFM) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(DURR-FILLAUER MEDICAL INC. TEL: 205 241-8800)

-30- 434
#90352c0169 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES E IRA #IRC 7339-OT REES OF TREDEGAR ST, RICHMOND, VA 23219, HAS FILED TO SELL 73,291 SHARES OF JAMES RIVER CORP. (TICKER: JR) THROUGH ROYAL ALLIANCE ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(JAMES RIVER CORP. TEL: 804 644-5411)

-30- 422
#90352c0170 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - SUMMIT VENTURES L P OF ONE BOSTON PLACE, BOSTON, MA 02108, HAS FILED TO SELL 188,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 400
#90352c0171 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BLUMEL GEORGE H TRUST OF 8800 NW 36TH ST, MIAMI, FL 33178, HAS FILED TO SELL 16,000 SHARES OF IVAX CORP. (TICKER: IVX) THROUGH RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(IVAX CORP. TEL: 305 590-2200)

-30- 403
#90352c0172 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TU CHEN OF 18225 GREGORY PL, MONTE SERENO, CA 95030, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(KOMAG INC. TEL: 408 946-2707)

-30- 380
#90352c0174 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD D SMITH OF 1038 NE CAPITOL BLVD, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84103, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. (TICKER: SFD) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. TEL: 801 974-1400)

-30- 453
#90352c0175 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFFREY P SMITH OF 2551 BRENTWOOD CIRCLE, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84121, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. (TICKER: SFD)

THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTRS INC. TEL: 801 974-1400)

-30- 454
#90352c0176 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM F MCCORD OF 426 KNOLLWOOD RD, RIDGEWOOD, NJ 07450, HAS FILED TO SELL 33,333 SHARES OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(GENLYTE GROUP INC. TEL: 201 864-3000)

-30- 418
#90352c0177 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH W BUTTERWORTH OF HARTFORD SQ NORTH, TEN COLUMBUS BLVD, HARTFORD, CT 06106, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,400 SHARES OF LOCTITE CORP. (TICKER: LOC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(LOCTITE CORP. TEL: 203 520-5000)

-30- 420
#90352c0178 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL G OHARRO OF 2400 N FILLMORE ST, ARLINGTON, VA 22207, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000,000 SHARES OF CHAMPIONS SPORTS INC. (TICKER: CSBR) THROUGH CASTLE SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(CHAMPIONS SPORTS INC. TEL: 804 241-1000)

-30- 430
#90352c0179 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GARY E LAVERING OF 885 NORFOLK PINE, SUNNYVALE, CA 94087, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. TEL: 415 399-5418)

-30- 428
#90352c0180 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES B JOHNSON OF 777 MARINERS ISLAND BLVD, SAN MATEO, CA 94404, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: BEN) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC. TEL: 415 570-3000)

-30- 441
#90352c0182 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES D HAY OF 102 JEFFERSON AVE, WESTFIELD, NJ 07090, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,021 SHARES OF THOMAS & BETTS CORP. (TICKER: TNB) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(THOMAS & BETTS CORP. TEL: 908 707-2362)

-30- 405
#90352c0183 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAN L MCGURK OF 3471 VIA LIDO #209, NEWPORT BCH, CA 92663, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,956 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH CROWELL WEEDON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 414
#90352c0184 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH B ROATH OF 10990 WILSHIRE BLVD STE 1200, LOS ANGELES, CA 90024, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,290 SHARES OF HEALTH CARE PROPERTY INVESTORS I (TICKER: HCP) THROUGH FIRST WILSHIRE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17 1990.

(HEALTH CARE PROPERTY INVESTORS I TEL: 213 473-1990)

-30- 472
#90352c0185 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - VENTURE MGMT INC PLAN & TR OF 614 MCKINLEY PLACE NE, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF TECHNE CORP. (TICKER: TECH) THROUGH JOHN G KINNARD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 14, 1990.

(TECHNE CORP. TEL: 612 379-2956)

-30- 425
#90352c0186 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL H MASLAK OF 1220 CHARLESTON ROAD, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

-30- 405
#90352c0187 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GOLUB ALAN INSURANCE TRUST OF 1400 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, NY 10018, HAS FILED TO SELL 31,000 SHARES OF LESLIE FAY COS. INC (TICKER: LES) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(LESLIE FAY COS. INC TEL: 212 221-4000)

-30- 433
#90352c0188 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE C HATCH OF 2185 SOUTH 3600 WEST, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84119, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF REPUBLIC PICTURES CORP. (TICKER: RPIC) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(REPUBLIC PICTURES CORP. TEL: 213 306-4040)

-30- 437
#90352c0190 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERWEST PARTNERS II OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, BLDG #3 SUITE #255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,875 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX)

THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7114)

-30- 425
#90352c0191 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERWEST PARTNERS III OF 3000 SAND HILL ROAD, BLDG #3 SUITE #255, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF XILINX INC. (TICKER: XLNX) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(XILINX INC. TEL: 408 559-7114)

-30- 427
#90352c0192 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JONATHAN J GOLOVIN OF 49 FAXON RD, ATHERTON, CA 94027, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(CONSILIUM INC. TEL: 415 691-6100)

-30- 404
#90352c0193 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LARRY L MIHALCHIK OF 164 HAY STREET, NEWBURG, MA 01951, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF TIMBERLAND CO. (TICKER: TBL) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(TIMBERLAND CO. TEL: 603 926-1600)

-30- 403
#90352c0194 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - M JAY ALLISON OF 5005 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1150, DALLAS, TX 75244, HAS FILED TO SELL 65,000 SHARES OF COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: CMRE) THROUGH EPPLER GUERIN & TURNER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(COMSTOCK RESOURCES INC. TEL: 214 701-2100)

-30- 441
#90352c0195 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVESTMENTS S A MORTON OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 412
#90352c0196 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INVESTMENTS S A MORTON OF 777 TAYLOR ST STE 800, FORT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH HERZOG HEINE GEDULD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7000)

-30- 410
#90352c0198 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARL H WESTCOTT OF C/O WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS, 1303 MARSH LANE, CARROLLTON, TX 75006, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,900 SHARES OF WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: WCTV) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(WESTCOTT COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 214 416-4100)

-30- 476
#90352c0199 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PERRY KRAPE OF 31 MOTT LANE, BROOKHAVEN, NY 11719, HAS FILED TO SELL 55,000 SHARES OF PDK LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: PDKL) THROUGH FINL SECS RESOURCES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(PDK LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 516 585-3000)

-30- 414
#90352c0200 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - JAMES L CLAYTON OF P O BOX 15169, NEW TOPSIDE DR AT ALCOA HWY, KNOXVILLE TN 37901, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CLAYTON HOMES INC. (TICKER: CMH) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(CLAYTON HOMES INC. TEL: 615 970-7200)

-30- 435
#90352c0201 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MILLER ANDREW W FOUNDATION OF WOODMONT CENTRE, 102 WOODMONT BLVD STE 610, NASHVILLE, TN 37205, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. (TICKER: SCAF) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(SURGICAL CARE AFFILIATES INC. TEL: 615 385-3541)

-30- 502
#90352c0202 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHLEGER & HARRISON RPT BROBECK OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 432
#90352c0203 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GILBERT M WHITE OF 1500 LOCUST ST, APT 3205, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,623 SHARES OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI) THROUGH BUTCHER & SINGER. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 647-8277)

-30- 462
#90352c0204 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PRUDENTIAL VENTURE PARTNERS OF 717 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS

FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(EGGHEAD INC. TEL: 206 391-0800)

-30- 420
#90352c0206 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARIBBEAN MARINE INC OF P O BOX 24730, ST CROIX, VI 00824, HAS FILED TO SELL 95,000 SHARES OF 50-OFF STORES INC. (TICKER: FOFF) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(50-OFF STORES INC. TEL: 512 653-8000)

-30- 418
#90352c0207 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T ROWE PRICE THRESHOLD FUND LP OF 220111 SE 51ST STREET, ISSAQUAH, WA 98027, HAS FILED TO SELL 90,000 SHARES OF EGGHEAD INC. (TICKER: EGGS) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(EGGHEAD INC. TEL: 206 391-5150)

-30- 437
#90352c0208 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN W DEMING OF 3600 PARLIAMENT DR, ALEXANDRIA, LA 71303, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,720 SHARES OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB) THROUGH HIBERNIA INVSTMNT SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(HIBERNIA CORP. TEL: 504 586-5356)

-30- 405
#90352c0209 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 29, 1990, Z.B. RICHARDSON JR., CHAIRMAN OF AMERICAN CONSUMER PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: ACPI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $0.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,537.

-30- 342
#90352c0210 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 2, 1990, F.O. NICKLIN JR, DIR. OF AMERICAN WASTE SERVICES INC. (TICKER: AW), SOLD 667 SHARES AT $9.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,838.

-30- 329
#90352c0211 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 14, 1990, J.M. ARTHUR, DIR. OF CHAMBERS DEVELOPMENT INC. (TICKER: CDV), BOUGHT 200 CLASS A SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 326
#90352c0212 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 27, 1990, J. SAITO, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CPB INC. (TICKER: CPBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 302
#90352c0214 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG. 30, 1990, S.J.W. TRUST AGREEMENT, BEN. OWNER OF BANCFIRST CORP. ZANGSVILLE (OH) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,668.

-30- 345
#90352c0215 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 27, 1990, K.W. ADAMS, DIR. OF JOURNAL COMMUNICATIONS BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $30.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,300.

-30- 306
#90352c0216 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 19, 1990, D. TRACEY L, DIR. OF JOURNAL COMMUNICATIONS BOUGHT 100

SHARES AT $29.54 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 230.

-30- 295
#90352c0217 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 29, 1990, J.A. ECKOLDT, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOURNAL COMMUNICATIONS BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $30.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,120.

-30- 336
#90352c0218 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 29, 1990, S.G. GISSLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOURNAL COMMUNICATIONS BOUGHT 740 SHARES AT $30.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 52,490.

-30- 332
#90352c0219 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 29, 1990, C.A. HUTCHISON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOURNAL COMMUNICATIONS BOUGHT 785 SHARES AT $30.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,070.

-30- 336
#90352c0220 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 29, 1990, P.P. JARZEMBINSKI, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOURNAL COMMUNICATIONS BOUGHT 790 SHARES AT $30.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,605.

-30- 342
#90352c0222 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 19, 1990, S.P. MAERSCH, DIR. OF JOURNAL COMMUNICATIONS BOUGHT 450 SHARES AT $29.54 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,180.

-30- 306

#90352c0223 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 29, 1990, T.J. MCCOLLOW, CHAIRMAN OF JOURNAL COMMUNICATIONS BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $30.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 155,650.

-30- 319
#90352c0224 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 29, 1990, M.L. SEIBEL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOURNAL COMMUNICATIONS BOUGHT 1,375 SHARES AT $30.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 75,310.

-30- 334
#90352c0225 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 27, 1990, S.J. SMITH, OFFICER AND DIR. OF JOURNAL COMMUNICATIONS BOUGHT 2,700 SHARES AT $30.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,280.

-30- 330
#90352c0226 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 19, 1990, J.H. RIDDELL, DIR. OF LNB BANCORP.(TICKER: LNBB) BOUGHT 206 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 406.

-30- 311
#90352c0227 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 1, 1990, T.C. CARTER, VP OF MARATHON BANCORP.(TICKER: MARB) (VA) SOLD 200 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90352c0228 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 23, 1990, P.C. BARWICK JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD CO. BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 336
#90352c0230 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 8, 1990, M.K. EVEY, DIR. OF PENN CENTRAL (TICKER: PC) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,178.

-30- 301
#90352c0231 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 8, 1990, D.S. MARTZ, PRES. OF PENN CENTRAL CORP.(TICKER: PC) BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,130.

-30- 305
#90352c0232 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUNE 22, 1990 TO SEPT. 19, 1990, G.S. WALKER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF RAMEX SYNFUELS INTL INC.(TICKER: RAMS) SOLD 1,100,000 SHARES FROM $0.05 TO $0.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,892,102.

-30- 394
#90352c0233 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, J.J. MARIN JR, OFFICER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. BOUGHT 1,561 SHARES AT $9.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 89,331.

-30- 336
#90352c0234 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT. 31, 1990 TO NOV. 1, 1990, L. OSSER, BEN. OWNER OF SWISS SUN INTL LTD. BOUGHT 103,500 SHARES FROM $0.24 TO $1.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,453,000.

-30- 337
#90352c0235 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 29, 1990, G.F. KELLER, DIR. OF SUN BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 1,008 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,030.

-30- 291
#90352c0236 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 29, 1990, G.F. KELLER, DIR. OF SUN BANCORP. INC. SOLD 1,008 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,030.

-30- 292
#90352c0238 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 6, 1990, A. ROBINSON JR., DIR. OF SMITHTOWN BANCORP INC. BOUGHT 257 SHARES AT $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,657.

-30- 298
#90352c0239 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUNE 15, 1990 TO AUG. 15, 1990, H.C. SANDKUHL, DIR. OF EXTEN VENTURES INC. (TICKER: EXVT), BOUGHT 95,000 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 87,000.

-30- 337
#90352c0240 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 9, 1990 TO NOV. 30, 1990, R.T. HOLLAND, OFFICER OF ADAGE INC. (TICKER: ADGE) BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 323
#90352c0241 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 27, 1990, T.G. PLASKETT, SHAREHOLDER OF AMERICAN AIRLINES INC. SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 285,000.

-30- 320

#90352c0242 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 12, 1990, J.E. BURROUGHS, DIR. OF ANCHOR FINANCIAL CORP. SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90352c0243 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 6, 1990, G. CANFIELD, OFFICER OF FRANKLIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP.(TICKER: FTCO) BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100,000.

-30- 347
#90352c0244 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 19, 1990, J.R. FERRARA, DIR. OF ORANGE BANCORP. SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,349.

-30- 292
#90352c0246 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 13, 1990 TO NOV. 29, 1990, D.J. MELVIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NIX-O-TINE PHARMACEUTICALS LTD. (TICKER: NIXX), BOUGHT 16,000 SHARES FROM $0.04 TO $0.07 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 118,950.

-30- 393
#90352c0247 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 20, 1990, R.M. LUCAS, DIR. OF TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: TBS), BOUGHT 100 CLASS A SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 466.

-30- 335
#90352c0248 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 27, 1990, T.I. SIEGEL, DIR. OF PEOPLES BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PPLB) (PA) BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

11,601.

-30- 314
#90352c0249 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 14, 1990, W.P. STAFFORD, DIR. OF FCFT INC. BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $26.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,722.

-30- 279
#90352c0250 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 5, 1990 TO NOV. 13, 1990, C.M. MEREDITH III, DIR. OF QNB CORP. BOUGHT 459 SHARES AT $70.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,722.

-30- 297
#90352c0251 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, H.L. ROSENBERGER, DIR. OF QNB CORP. BOUGHT 259 SHARES AT $70.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,750.

-30- 278
#90352c0252 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, E.L. STAUFFER, DIR. OF QNB CORP. BOUGHT 259 SHARES AT $70.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,942.

-30- 272
#90352c0254 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 1, 1990, L.M. HELMSLEY, BEN. OWNER OF INVESTMENT PROPERTY ASSOC. BOUGHT 1,652 SHARES AT $77.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 241,705.

-30- 330
#90352c0255 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 1, 1990, I. SCHNEIDER, BEN. OWNER OF INVESTMENT PROPERTY ASSOC.

BOUGHT 828 SHARES AT $77.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,366.

-30- 325
#90352c0256 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 13, 1990, S. GUNDERSEN, DIR. OF INDEPENDENCE BANCORP. INC. (NJ) SOLD 300 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,909.

-30- 324
#90352c0257 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, W.J. DAVIS JR, DIR. OF FIRST FARMERS & MERCHANTS CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $54.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,900.

-30- 314
#90352c0258 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, J.U. YOUNG, DIR. OF UNIVEST CORP. OF PA. (TICKER: UVSP) BOUGHT 240 SHARES AT $43.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,260.

-30- 311
#90352c0259 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 9, 1990 TO NOV. 15, 1990, R.E. BEAVERSON, OFFICER OF FRANK E. BEST INC. BOUGHT 630 SHARES AT $17.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,364.

-30- 322
#90352c0260 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 9, 1990 TO NOV. 15, 1990, D.J. BEST, BEN. OWNER OF FRANK E. BEST INC. BOUGHT 630 SHARES AT $17.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 406,042.

-30- 319
#90352c0262 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 9, 1990 TO NOV. 15, 1990, R.W. BEST, BEN. OWNER OF FRANK E. BEST INC. BOUGHT 630 SHARES AT $17.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 404,552.

-30- 324
#90352c0263 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 9, 1990 TO NOV. 15, 1990, R.C. BEST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FRANK E. BEST INC. BOUGHT 630 SHARES AT $17.33 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,364.

-30- 334
#90352c0264 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, R. PUPO, VP OF PETER KIEWIT SON'S INC BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $40.45 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 285
#90352c0265 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY HOLDGOLD INC. OWNS 4,826,054 SHARES (7.10%) OF NEWMONT MINING CORPORATION (TICKER: NEM) OF DENVER, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the standstill agreement, dated as of Dec. 7, 1990, among the Newmont Mining Corp., SP Gold Holdings Inc., James M. Goldsmith, Jacob Rothschild, Holdgold, Hornwood, SJPC and RIT, certain restrictions have been imposed upon, and certain rights granted with respect to the Holdgold Inc., et al.'s shares. The standstill agreement will remain in effect until Nov. 1, 1997 and prohibits the restricted group and its transferees from collectively owning more than 49.9 percentage of the power of the Newmont Mining Corp.;s voting securities on a fully diluted basis without the majority consent of Newmont Mining Corp.'s board. Pursuant to a pledge agreement with Barclays Bank plc, Holdgold has pledged its SPI stock shares in favor of GFAC to secure the obligations under the note. As a result of JRCML's investment management agreement with RIT, and the indirect ownership of JRCML by SJPC, should RIT exercises the option, SJPC may be deemed to own beneficially the shares owned

by Holdgold.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 7, 1990, Holdgold purchased 14.59 percent of the issued and outstanding capital stock of SPI, whose principal asset is 33,223,900 shares, pursuant to the terms of a stock purchase agreement dated Dec. 7, 1990 between Holdgold and Gold Fields American Corp. for an aggregate price of $188,836,050.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1741
#90352c0266 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY THE SPECIAL PURPOSE INC. OWNS 33,223,900 SHARES (49.15%) OF NEWMONT MINING CORPORATION (TICKER: NEM) OF DENVER, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the standstill agreement, dated as of Dec. 7, 1990, among the Newmont Mining Corporation, SP Gold Holdings Inc., James M. Goldsmith, Jacob Rothschild, Holdgold, Hornwood, SJPC and RIT, certain restrictions have been imposed upon, and certain rights granted with respect to the Special Purpose Inc., et al.'s shares. The standstill agreement will remain in effect until Nov. 1, 1997, unless earlier terminated, and prohibits the restricted from collectively owning more than 49.9 percentage of the power of the Newmont Mining Corporation's voting securities on a fully diluted basis without the majority consent of Newmont Mining Corporation's board. On or about Oct. 26, 1990 Consolidated Gold Fields Ltd. transferred all 1,440,000 shares it owned to Gold Fields American Corp. which in turn contributed such shares to SPI.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 7, 1990, Holdgold purchased 85.47415 percent of the issued and outstanding capital stock of SPI, whose principal asset is 33,223,900 shares, pursuant to the terms of a stock purchase agreement dated Dec. 7, 1990 between Holdgold and Gold Fields American Corp. for an aggregate price of $1,111,163,950.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1599
#90352c0268 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD. OWNS 7,541,026 SHARES (8.66%) OF THE EXPLORATION CO. OF LOUISIANA INC.(TICKER: XCOL) OF LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The cover page was inadvertently filed with information concerning the company named Circon instead of Exploration Co. of Louisiana.

-30- 509
#90352c0269 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 17, 1990, JTN Acquisition Corp. extended their tender offer from Dec. 20, 1990 to Jan. 17, 1991.

-30- 289
#90352c0272 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a Dec. 17 press release, NCR (TICKER: NCR) again rejected the AT&T's tender offer.

-30- 271
#90352c0274 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

INDUSTRIAL EQUITY PACIFIC LTD. OF CENTRAL HONG KONG OWNS 1,964,700 SHARES

(14.90%) OF LAMSON & SESSIONS CO.(TICKER: LMS) OF CLEVELAND, OHIO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Industrial Equity Pacific LTD. purchased 133,200 shares from Oct. 11 to Dec. 13, 1990 for $4.01 to $4.56 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 532
#90352c0275 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 524,040 SHARES (6.30%) OF CHOCK FULL O' NUTS CORP.(TICKER: CHF) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

PURPOSE:

Decrease in number of shares held.

-30- 391
#90352c0276 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 761,500 SHARES (6.70%) OF MICHAEL FOODS INC.(TICKER: MIKL) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Decrease in ownership.

-30- 441
#90352c0277 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, WILLIAM B CHESSON, VP OF ASSOCIATED COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: ACCM), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $23.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 332
#90352c0278 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, THOMAS H FRANKEL, OFFICER OF ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND (TICKER: ADM), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,332.

-30- 328
#90352c0279 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, NORMAN H GREENSPUN, OFFICER OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,500.

-30- 348
#90352c0281 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, LEE B STERN, DIR. OF AAR CORP. (TICKER: AIR), SOLD 5,000 SHARES FROM $11.38 TO $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 184,600.

-30- 299
#90352c0282 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, FREDERICK H BEHRENS, CHAIRMAN OF AMCOR CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: AMCR), SOLD 493,910 SHARES AT $0.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,835,856.

-30- 334
#90352c0283 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, MARLENE A TAPIE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF AMCOR CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: AMCR), SOLD 62,500 SHARES AT $0.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 232,500.

-30- 338
#90352c0284 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 02, 1990, ROBERT A WRIGHT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AMCOR CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: AMCR), SOLD 351,856 SHARES AT $0.80 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,307,843.

-30- 369
#90352c0285 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 03, 1990, ROBERT M TAYLOR, DIR. OF ACME-CLEVELAND CORP. (TICKER: AMT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,300.

-30- 315
#90352c0286 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, CHRIS A GRAFFT, OFFICER OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,500.

-30- 346
#90352c0287 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 27, 1990, STEPHENS INC, BEN. OWNER OF ALLTEL CORP. (TICKER: AT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,313,960.

-30- 305
#90352c0289 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, THOMAS H SHERLOCK, DIR. OF BALTIMORE BANCORP. (TICKER: BBB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,200.

-30- 318
#90352c0290 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, DAVID L PURDY, PRES. OF BIOCONTROL TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: BICO), SOLD 30,000 SHARES FROM $0.28 TO $0.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 594,716.

-30- 360
#90352c0291 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, KATHERINE MCTYEIRE, DIR. OF BIG B INC. (TICKER: BIGB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 294
#90352c0292 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, BURKE B ROCHE, PRES. OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BIN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES FROM $25.38 TO $25.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 558,410.

-30- 353
#90352c0293 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, RAFAEL MENDEZ, DIR. OF BANKERS CORP. (TICKER: BKCO), BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 119,714.

-30- 298
#90352c0294 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 08, 1990, JERRY L FERGUSON, DIR. OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 33,000 SHARES FROM $28.00 TO $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 564,030.

-30- 336
#90352c0295 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, NILES L NOBLITT, CHAIRMAN OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 865,772.

-30- 309
#90352c0297 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JAMES F GARY, DIR. OF BANCORP HAWAII INC. (TICKER: BNHI), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $35.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,870.

-30- 304
#90352c0298 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, MISCHA GORKUSCHA, VP OF BANKS OF MID-AMERICA INC. (TICKER: BOMA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 698.

-30- 319
#90352c0299 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 26, 1990, M C HERRINGTON, DIR. OF BANCORP OF MISSISSIPPI INC. (TICKER: BOMS), BOUGHT 102 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,122.

-30- 345
#90352c0300 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 05, 1990 TO NOV 07, 1990, RONALD P WARGO, VP OF BRE PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: BRE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES FROM $23.13 TO $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 334
#90352c0301 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, ROBERT L GEDDES, DIR. OF BUTLER MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: BTLR), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 320
#90352c0302 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 22, 1990, JOHN D MACK, OFFICER OF CARTER-WALLACE INC. (TICKER: CAR), SOLD 45,000 SHARES AT $53.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,645.

-30- 317
#90352c0303 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, C C BALDWIN JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CAMBREX CORP. (TICKER: CBM), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,294.

-30- 323
#90352c0305 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, JOHN D LOUGH, DIR. OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,171.

-30- 320
#90352c0306 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 09, 1990, MARY P SHARPE, DIR. OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,317.

-30- 318
#90352c0307 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, WILLIAM M SUTTON, OFFICER OF CB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,748.

-30- 326
#90352c0308 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, KENNETH M JOHNSON, VP OF CAPITAL CITIES/ABC INC. (TICKER: CCB), BOUGHT 813 SHARES AT $61.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS

TO 6,865.

-30- 318
#90352c0309 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, RICHARD A HASTINGS, VP OF CAREERCOM CORP. (TICKER: CCM), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,225.

-30- 303
#90352c0310 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, ROBERT A SMITH, PRES. OF CAREERCOM CORP. (TICKER: CCM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 303
#90352c0311 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, EDGAR D ARONSON, DIR. OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,400.

-30- 313
#90352c0313 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, JAMES W GORMAN JR, DIR. OF CULLEN/FROST BANKERS INC. (TICKER: CFBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 331
#90352c0314 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CTRLS INC, BEN. OWNER OF CHEMFIX TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: CFIX), SOLD 3,000 SHARES FROM $6.50 TO $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,613,749.

-30- 381
#90352c0315 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, GERALD W MONTIEL, PRES. OF CHARTER GOLF INC. (TICKER: CGOL), SOLD 7,000 SHARES FROM $2.56 TO $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 627,545.

-30- 345
#90352c0316 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 7,085 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 199,887.

-30- 307
#90352c0317 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, CHARLES D CARR, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 199,887.

-30- 306
#90352c0318 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, DALE D REED, DIR. OF CIVIC BANCORP. (TICKER: CIVC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,941.

-30- 302
#90352c0319 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, TED S AUGUSTINE, VP OF COMPRESSION LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: CLIX), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90352c0321 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC 05, 1990 TO DEC 06, 1990, JAMES L CLAYTON, CHAIRMAN OF CLAYTON HOMES INC. (TICKER: CMH), SOLD 200,000 SHARES FROM $13.88 TO $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,292,801.

-30- 359

#90352c0322 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, HARVEY FERGUSON, VP OF COMMERCEBANCORP. (CA) (TICKER: COBA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 319
#90352c0323 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 05, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, CHARLES H ROSENFIELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: CPRK), SOLD 30,000 SHARES FROM $0.60 TO $0.64 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,919,000.

-30- 441
#90352c0324 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, HAROLD P ROSENFIELD JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: CPRK), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.57 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,126,400.

-30- 387
#90352c0325 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, DONALD T VALENTINE, DIR. OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO), SOLD 7,445 SHARES FROM $35.00 TO $39.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,203,442.

-30- 354
#90352c0326 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 02, 1990, CURTIS A SAMPSON, PRES. OF COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSII), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 772,594.

-30- 333
#90352c0327 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 08, 1990, CHARLES B CUSHWA III, DIR. OF COMMERCIAL INTERTECH CORP. (TICKER: CTEK), SOLD 150 SHARES AT $25.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,597.

-30- 330
#90352c0329 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, A ROSS WOLLEN, VP OF CULBRO CORP. (TICKER: CUC), BOUGHT 228 SHARES AT $13.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,466.

-30- 288
#90352c0330 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, GORDON S COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF CUSTOMEDIX CORP. (TICKER: CUS), BOUGHT 200,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 596,900.

-30- 321
#90352c0331 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC 04, 1990 TO DEC 06, 1990, JIM H HOUTZ, CHAIRMAN OF CYCARE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CYS), SOLD 9,200 SHARES FROM $5.50 TO $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 740,679.

-30- 347
#90352c0332 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, GROVER R HEYLER, DIR. OF CALMAT CO. (TICKER: CZM), BOUGHT 500 SHARES FROM $20.75 TO $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 324
#90352c0333 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 08, 1990, PAUL A RODWICK, VP OF DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS ASSOC.,INC. (TICKER: DCA), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $10.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 346
#90352c0334 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, JAMES B WILSON, SHAREHOLDER OF DILLARD DEPARTMENT STORES INC. (TICKER: DDS), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $83.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,696.

-30- 350
#90352c0335 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 04, 1990, WILLIAM H LESTER, DIR. OF DYNASTY CLASSICS CORP. (TICKER: DNST), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES FROM $5.00 TO $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 335
#90352c0337 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, MARTIN J MANNION, DIR. OF EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS INC. (TICKER: EBPI), SOLD 898,560 SHARES AT $16.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,317,813.

-30- 343
#90352c0338 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, E ROE STAMPS, DIR. OF EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS INC. (TICKER: EBPI), SOLD 898,560 SHARES AT $16.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,317,813.

-30- 339
#90352c0339 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, SUMMIT INVESTORS L P, BEN. OWNER OF EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS INC. (TICKER: EBPI), SOLD 22,195 SHARES AT $16.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,544.

-30- 360

#90352c0340 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, SUMMIT VENTURES L P, BEN. OWNER OF EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS INC. (TICKER: EBPI), SOLD 528,236 SHARES AT $16.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 774,706.

-30- 350
#90352c0341 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, EUROFUND C V SV, BEN. OWNER OF EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS INC. (TICKER: EBPI), SOLD 348,129 SHARES AT $16.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 510,563.

-30- 347
#90352c0342 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, GERHARD J NEUMAIER, PRES. OF ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT INC. (TICKER: EEI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,375.

-30- 335
#90352c0343 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, WILLIAM G BENTON, SHAREHOLDER OF HEALTH EQUITY PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: EQP), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,000.

-30- 346
#90352c0345 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, BILL L FORBES, DIR. OF FIRST AMARILLO BANCORP. (TICKER: FAMA), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $3.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 317
#90352c0346 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, W RICHARD BLACKWOOD, DIR. OF F.N.B. CORP. (TICKER:

FBAN), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,990.

-30- 311
#90352c0347 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JOHN R PERKINS, DIR. OF F.N.B. CORP. (TICKER: FBAN), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,305.

-30- 295
#90352c0348 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, ERIK F JOHNSEN, DIR. OF FIRST COMMERCE CORP. (TICKER: FCOM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $14.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 96,261.

-30- 320
#90352c0349 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, STANFORD L WEISS, DIR. OF FIRST EASTERN CORP. (TICKER: FEBC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,416.

-30- 311
#90352c0350 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 03, 1990, MARK SANDERS, VP OF NU-WEST INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: FERT), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 304
#90352c0351 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO DEC 06, 1990, ROBERT H PANGIONE, DIR. OF FIRST ESSEX BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FESX), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 55,000.

-30- 349
#90352c0353 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, LEONARD A WILSON, PRES. OF FIRST ESSEX BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FESX), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.32 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,200.

-30- 331
#90352c0354 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, ROBERT H STINE, DIR. OF FIRST FLORIDA BANKS INC. (TICKER: FFBK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 317
#90352c0355 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, THOMAS H SIEMERS, PRES. OF FIRST FRANKLIN CORP. (TICKER: FFHS), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $9.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,341.

-30- 337
#90352c0356 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, E BRUCE DUNGAN, PRES. OF FARMERS CAPITAL BANK CORP. (TICKER: FFKT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,375.

-30- 326
#90352c0357 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, N STEWART ROGERS, DIR. OF FLUKE (JOHN) MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: FKM), SOLD 567 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,285.

-30- 335
#90352c0358 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, RAYMOND C KENNEDY, DIR. OF FLEET/NORSTAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: FNG), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,652.

-30- 348
#90352c0359 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, KATHERINE AUGUST, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST REPUBLIC BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FRC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 350
#90352c0361 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, LANCE MORELAND, VP OF FIRST SEISMIC CORP. (TICKER: FSEI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,500.

-30- 306
#90352c0362 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, WALTER A RHULEN, CHAIRMAN OF FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FTR), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 114,504.

-30- 341
#90352c0363 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, PETER M THOMPSON, DIR. OF FIRST WORLD CHEESE INC. (TICKER: FWCH), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,250.

-30- 328
#90352c0364 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, HARRY B SAUERS, VP OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FXBC), BOUGHT 890 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,890.

-30- 314
#90352c0365 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, LUCROS INTERNATIONAL CORP, BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,674,630.

-30- 337
#90352c0366 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, NICHOLAS E ROSS, DIR. OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400,000.

-30- 318
#90352c0367 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, GAIL S WALKER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMINI ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: GEMI), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,674,630.

-30- 351
#90352c0369 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, CHARLES M TRAVIS, DIR. OF GIBSON (C.R.) CO. (TICKER: GIB), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,350.

-30- 313
#90352c0370 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, HAROLD L CALDWELL, OFFICER OF GIBSON GREETINGS INC. (TICKER: GIBG), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $23.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 323

#90352c0371 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, NORMAN L RITTER, OFFICER OF GREAT LAKES CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: GLK), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $57.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,656.

-30- 334
#90352c0372 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 29, 1990, HARDEN H WIEDEMANN, DIR. OF GAINSCO INC. (TICKER: GNA), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 298
#90352c0373 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, BRUCE E BYINGTON, VP OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,300.

-30- 327
#90352c0374 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, THOMAS L EASLEY, OFFICER AND DIR. OF GRANADA FOODS CORP. (TICKER: GNF), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,900.

-30- 333
#90352c0375 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, DONALD F GOEBERT, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF GEMCO NATIONAL INC. (TICKER: GNL), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,000.

-30- 382
#90352c0377 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 04, 1990 TO SEP 20, 1990, 321264 B C LTD, BEN. OWNER OF GOLD

STANDARD INC. (TICKER: GSTD), SOLD 21,500 SHARES FROM $1.31 TO $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,264,500.

-30- 352
#90352c0378 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, THEODORE B COVERT, DIR. OF GATEWAY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GTWY), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES FROM $2.00 TO $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,224.

-30- 336
#90352c0379 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, JAMES W KAMBAS, DIR. OF GATEWAY FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: GTWY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,284.

-30- 320
#90352c0380 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, THOMAS R FIDDLER, DIR. OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,223.

-30- 301
#90352c0381 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, WILLIAM B TANNER, DIR. OF HEALTHINFUSION INC. (TICKER: HINF), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 316
#90352c0382 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO DEC 07, 1990, MARY B MARSDEN, DIR. OF HOMASOTE CO. (TICKER: HOM), SOLD 1,044 SHARES FROM $13.88 TO $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,690.

-30- 331
#90352c0383 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 23, 1990, WILLIAM A KRAUSE, DIR. OF HAWKEYE BANCORP. (TICKER: HWKB), BOUGHT 8,500 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 233,889.

-30- 336
#90352c0385 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, HAROLD P MECHLER, OFFICER OF IMPERIAL HOLLY CORP. (TICKER: IHK), SOLD 1,000 SHARES FROM $14.88 TO $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 575.

-30- 355
#90352c0386 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, BLAIR D H & CO INC, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 10,960 SHARES FROM $1.75 TO $1.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,455,052.

-30- 390
#90352c0387 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: IPIC), BOUGHT 14,960 SHARES FROM $1.75 TO $1.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,511,577.

-30- 388
#90352c0388 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, W BENJAMIN JONES III, VP OF IRT PROPERTY CO. (TICKER: IRT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,960.

-30- 303
#90352c0389 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, THEODORE A JOHNSON, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL TOTALIZATOR SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ITSI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,700.

-30- 346
#90352c0390 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, RONALD W LINDELL, DIV. OFFICER OF IRT CORP. (TICKER: IX), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES FROM $1.25 TO $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 338
#90352c0391 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JAY J CHEN, OFFICER OF JAPAN OTC EQUITY FD INC. (TICKER: JOF), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $8.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 280
#90352c0393 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, FRED T JONES JR, PRES. OF JONES PLUMBING SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: JPS), BOUGHT 1,400 SHARES FROM $1.13 TO $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,578,860.

-30- 364
#90352c0394 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, GARY P CRITSER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF KIMBALL INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: KBAL), BOUGHT 480 SHARES AT $16.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,580.

-30- 345
#90352c0395 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ABBEY J BUTLER, BEN. OWNER OF KITCHEN BAZAAR INC. (TICKER: KBAZ), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $0.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 735,645.

-30- 332
#90352c0396 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ARDEN L BEMENT JR, DIR. OF KEITHLEY INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: KEI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 322
#90352c0397 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, L J HENDRIX JR, DIR. OF KEITHLEY INSTRUMENTS INC. (TICKER: KEI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES FROM $8.13 TO $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 355
#90352c0398 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JOHN F LOVEJOY JR, DIR. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,266.

-30- 321
#90352c0399 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, CARL L CAMPBELL, PRES. OF KEYSTONE FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: KSTN), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,213.

-30- 338
#90352c0401 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, RICHARD W PERKINS, DIR. OF LIFECORE BIOMEDICAL INC. (TICKER: LCBM), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $3.68 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 331
#90352c0402 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, FREDERICK B BAMBER, DIR. OF INTERLEAF INC. (TICKER: LEAF), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $2.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,191.

-30- 302
#90352c0403 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 04, 1990, G WILLIAM FLEMING, DIR. OF LITTLEFIELD, ADAMS & CO. (TICKER: LFA), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 331
#90352c0404 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, NINA MCLEMORE, VP OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC), SOLD 30,000 SHARES FROM $24.25 TO $24.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,100.

-30- 320
#90352c0405 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JAMES W MCDOWELL JR, DIR. OF LIBERTY NATL BANCORP INC.(KY) (TICKER: LNBC), BOUGHT 118 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 118.

-30- 338
#90352c0406 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, HARRY L KAVETAS, DIR. OF LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP. (IN) (TICKER: LNC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $38.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 321
#90352c0407 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, LEO R JALENAK JR, DIR. OF LUFKIN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: LUFK), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $130.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 308
#90352c0409 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, ROBERT A ROTHMAN, DIR. OF MAX & ERMA'S RESTAURANTS INC. (TICKER: MAXE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 339
#90352c0410 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, STEPHEN G CRAWFORD, DIR. OF MOBILE NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MBNC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,150.

-30- 321
#90352c0411 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, G LOWELL DIXON, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 100 SHARES AT $25.62 PER SHARE.

-30- 270
#90352c0412 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JAMES A PESCE, PRES. OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 62,188.

-30- 340
#90352c0413 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, SIDNEY N TOWLE JR, DIR. OF THE MEADOW GROUP INC. (TICKER: MDOW), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 319

#90352c0414 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1990, RICHARD WEIMERT, DIR. OF EMERGING MEXICO FUND INC. (TICKER: MEF), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 319
#90352c0415 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, WILLIAM C DRAPER, DIR. OF MARYLAND FEDERAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MFSL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,579.

-30- 336
#90352c0417 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, WALTER E BARTLETT, CHAIRMAN OF MULTIMEDIA INC. (TICKER: MMED), SOLD 30,000 SHARES FROM $52.75 TO $53.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,310.

-30- 352
#90352c0418 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 03, 1990, THOMAS M GIBBONS, DIR. OF MNC FINANCIAL INC. (TICKER: MNC), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,516.

-30- 311
#90352c0419 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 29, 1988 TO SEP 26, 1988, CLIFFORD W ILLIG, DIR. OF MNX INC. (TICKER: MNXI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES FROM $6.75 TO $7.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 324
#90352c0420 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, MODINE MANUF CO ESOIP, BEN. OWNER OF MODINE

MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: MODI), BOUGHT 28,828 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,582,361.

-30- 361
#90352c0421 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, MODINE MANUF CO ESOIP, BEN. OWNER OF MODINE MANUFACTURING CO. (TICKER: MODI), SOLD 13,445 SHARES AT $18.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,582,361.

-30- 351
#90352c0422 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, HARRY C CHURCHILL, BEN. OWNER OF MERRIMACK BANCORP INC. (TICKER: MRMK), SOLD 618 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 332
#90352c0423 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, GARY HILLMAN, CHAIRMAN OF MACHINE TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: MTEC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $1.37 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,429,960.

-30- 331
#90352c0425 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 08, 1990 TO SEP 18, 1990, RICHARD B TULLIS, DIR. OF NACCO INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: NC), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES FROM $37.43 TO $58.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 338
#90352c0426 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ALVAN B FEHN, DIR. OF NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANKS INC. (TICKER: NCBR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,900.

-30- 324
#90352c0427 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, WARREN G HYMAN, DIR. OF NEWMARK & LEWIS INC. (TICKER: NLI), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 491,722.

-30- 312
#90352c0428 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, HAROLD B SMITH JR, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF NORTHERN TRUST CORP. (TICKER: NTRS), SOLD 165,000 SHARES AT $25.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 459,928.

-30- 354
#90352c0429 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, JOSEPH F DOX, VP OF NOVELLUS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NVLS), SOLD 12,074 SHARES FROM $10.75 TO $11.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,750.

-30- 341
#90352c0430 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, DOUGLAS L MITCHELL, DIR. OF NORTHWEST ILLINOIS BANCORP INC (TICKER: NWIB), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,311.

-30- 342
#90352c0431 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, PRESSLEY A RIDGILL, VP OF OMNI CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: OCGI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,250.

-30- 333
#90352c0433 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, NICHOLAS P COLLINS, DIR. OF OREGON METALLURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: OREM), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 328
#90352c0434 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, ANTON E SCHRAFL, DIR. OF ORGANOGENESIS INC. (TICKER: ORG), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,000.

-30- 316
#90352c0435 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, MAX C CHAPMAN JR, SHAREHOLDER OF O'SULLIVAN CORP. (TICKER: OSL), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES FROM $8.50 TO $8.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 27,702.

-30- 353
#90352c0436 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, HOWEL H HOPSON, DIR. OF PHOENIX ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: PATI), BOUGHT 2,250 SHARES FROM $2.94 TO $3.42 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,322.

-30- 370
#90352c0437 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 01, 1990, JOHN D COTHRAN, DIR. OF PIEDMONT BANKGROUP INC. (TICKER: PBGI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $16.14 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 315
#90352c0438 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ARTHUR R MIELE, OFFICER OF PHELPS DODGE CORP. (TICKER: PD), SOLD 697 SHARES AT $52.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 273
#90352c0439 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, ROBERT L WEHLING, OFFICER OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG), SOLD 8,100 SHARES AT $81.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,026.

-30- 324
#90352c0441 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, KENNETH C WHITENER JR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PINNACLE BANC GRP INC. (TICKER: PINN), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 228,962.

-30- 356
#90352c0442 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, LORAINE DAUGHERTY, OFFICER OF PHARMACY MANAGEMENT SVCS INC. (TICKER: PMSV), SOLD 800 SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 115.

-30- 337
#90352c0443 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, NICHOLAS R PETRY, DIR. OF POGO PRODUCING CO. (TICKER: PPP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES FROM $7.13 TO $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 345
#90352c0444 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, JOHN E BURROWS, OFFICER OF QUAKER CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: QCHM), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 318

#90352c0445 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JOSEPH M DAVIS, BEN. OWNER OF QUANTUM DIAGNOSTICS LTD. (TICKER: QTMC), BOUGHT 78,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 552,900.

-30- 354
#90352c0446 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, CAROLE E BLANK, OFFICER OF READERS DIGEST ASSN INC. (TICKER: RDA), SOLD 1,185 SHARES FROM $25.25 TO $26.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,750.

-30- 358
#90352c0447 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, SHERMAN T MAYNE, PRES. OF RADIATION DISPOSAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: RDIS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $0.28 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300,648.

-30- 343
#90352c0449 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, DALE L MEDFORD, OFFICER OF REYNOLDS & REYNOLDS CO. (TICKER: REY), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,500.

-30- 330
#90352c0450 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, KENNETH W THIELE, DIR. OF REYNOLDS & REYNOLDS CO. (TICKER: REY), BOUGHT 999 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 321
#90352c0451 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, BERT A NELSON, DIR. OF REPUBLIC GYPSUM CO. (TICKER: RGC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $3.13 TO $3.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,348.

-30- 341
#90352c0452 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, DAVID GREENBERG, BEN. OWNER OF ROCKY MOUNT UNDERGARMENT CO. (TICKER: RMUC), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES AT $0.94 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 483,698.

-30- 351
#90352c0453 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, THOMAS J OGRADY, OFFICER OF RESERVE INDUSTRIES CORP. (TICKER: ROIL), BOUGHT 450 SHARES AT $1.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,450.

-30- 315
#90352c0454 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, BETTY T SLAWSON, OFFICER OF RESERVE INDUSTRIES CORP. (TICKER: ROIL), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 314
#90352c0455 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, GREGORY M AVIS, DIR. OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS), SOLD 225,000 SHARES FROM $14.50 TO $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 241,127.

-30- 339
#90352c0457 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, SUMMIT VENTURES L P, BEN. OWNER OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS), SOLD 84,079 SHARES FROM $14.50 TO $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 90,101.

-30- 345
#90352c0458 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, EUROFUND C V SV, BEN. OWNER OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS), SOLD 56,051 SHARES FROM $14.50 TO $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,070.

-30- 342
#90352c0459 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, CLAYTON H NIELSEN, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,515.

-30- 330
#90352c0460 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, L KIRKE MOORE, DIR. OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.41 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 131,400.

-30- 334
#90352c0461 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, MARILYN W LEWIS, DIR. OF SOUTH JERSEY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SJI), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 315
#90352c0462 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JERRY C ATKIN, PRES. OF SKYWEST INC. (TICKER: SKYW), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 332,912.

-30- 300
#90352c0463 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, RICHARD T DOERMER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF SUMMCORP. (TICKER: SMCR), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,698.

-30- 333
#90352c0465 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, W KENDRICK UPCHURCH JR, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 302 SHARES AT $13.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,667.

-30- 314
#90352c0466 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, RICHARD K RAPPLEYE, DIR. OF STONERIDGE RESOURCE INC. (TICKER: SRE), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,650.

-30- 325
#90352c0467 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, B D HUNTER, DIR. OF SERVICE CORP. INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SRV), SOLD 97,369 SHARES FROM $21.31 TO $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,155.

-30- 342
#90352c0468 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, JOSEPH A DEERKOSKI, DIR. OF SUFFOLK BANCORP. (TICKER: SUBK), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,022.

-30- 312
#90352c0469 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, EDWARD J MERZ, DIR. OF SUFFOLK BANCORP. (TICKER: SUBK), BOUGHT 424 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 5,409.

-30- 323
#90352c0470 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, ROBERT E KRANTZ, VP OF SUSQUEHANNA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: SUSQ), SOLD 396 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 286
#90352c0471 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 30, 1990 TO DEC 04, 1990, GEORGE B GAUL, DIR. OF SOVEREIGN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SVRN), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES FROM $9.00 TO $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 156,512.

-30- 353
#90352c0473 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 28, 1990, STONE & WEBSTER INVESTMENT PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF STONE & WEBSTER INC. (TICKER: SW), SOLD 32,067 SHARES AT $34.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,917,331.

-30- 351
#90352c0474 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, BURLEIGH D COOK, VP OF SYNTEX CORP. (TICKER: SYN), SOLD 17,600 SHARES AT $59.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,735.

-30- 299
#90352c0475 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, CHARIOT GROUP INC, BEN. OWNER OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 630,446.

-30- 336
#90352c0476 12/18/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 09, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, CHARIOT HOLDINGS LTD, BEN. OWNER OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES FROM $5.75 TO $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 638,525.

-30- 360
#90352c0477 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, CHARIOT PLASTICS INC, BEN. OWNER OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 630,446.

-30- 333
#90352c0478 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 09, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, RICHARD E GRAY, BEN. OWNER OF SYNALLOY CORP. (TICKER: SYO), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES FROM $5.75 TO $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 638,525.

-30- 346
#90352c0479 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, FRANK A GODCHAUX III, DIR. OF SYSCO CORP. (TICKER: SYY), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 300
#90352c0481 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, MARVIN D KANTOR, OFFICER AND DIR. OF TEMCO NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: TEM), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $1.13 TO $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 850,213.

-30- 366
#90352c0482 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 05, 1990, A WILSON JEFFREY, PRES. OF TERMINAL DATA CORP. (TICKER: TERM), BOUGHT 25,000 SHARES AT $1.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO

25,000.

-30- 321
#90352c0483 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, DONALD C CLARK, DIR. OF HYDROGEN ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: THEC), SOLD 43,000 SHARES FROM $0.81 TO $0.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 328,899.

-30- 348
#90352c0484 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 11, 1990, JOHN D CALLAHAN, OFFICER OF TELXON CORP. (TICKER: TLXN), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,800.

-30- 305
#90352c0485 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 23, 1990, NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK, BEN. OWNER OF TNP ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: TNP), BOUGHT 3,509 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,676,406.

-30- 369
#90352c0486 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 18, 1990 TO OCT 23, 1990, DARRYL F ALLEN, PRES. OF TRINOVA CORP. (TICKER: TNV), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,826.

-30- 324
#90352c0487 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, FUND AMERICAN COS THE, BEN. OWNER OF TEXAS PACIFIC LAND TRUST (TICKER: TPL), SOLD 97,700 SHARES FROM $22.50 TO $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 383,200.

-30- 381

#90352c0489 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, ABE FARKAS, DIR. OF TUSCARORA PLASTICS INC. (TICKER: TUSC), BOUGHT 450 SHARES AT $15.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 81,500.

-30- 316
#90352c0490 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, GORDON E FORWARD, DIV. OFFICER OF TEXAS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TXI), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,706.

-30- 327
#90352c0491 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, KEITH R GOLLUST, DIR. OF UAL CORP. (TICKER: UAL), SOLD 199,700 SHARES FROM $97.00 TO $101.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,379,130.

-30- 335
#90352c0492 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, PAUL E TIERNEY, DIR. OF UAL CORP. (TICKER: UAL), SOLD 199,700 SHARES FROM $97.00 TO $101.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,379,130.

-30- 334
#90352c0493 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, MICHAEL A WICK, DIV. OFFICER OF UNIVERSAL FOODS CORP. (TICKER: UFC), SOLD 289 SHARES AT $30.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,150.

-30- 325
#90352c0494 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, J MIKE MCGOWAN, VP OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,000.

-30- 319
#90352c0495 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, DONALD J PERACCHI, DIR. OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,557.

-30- 330
#90352c0497 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, STEPHAN A MORSE, DIR. OF VERMONT FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. (TICKER: VFSC), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,307.

-30- 326
#90352c0498 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, NORMAN S EDELCUP, DIR. OF VALHI INC. (TICKER: VHI), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES FROM $4.88 TO $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,700.

-30- 327
#90352c0499 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, MILLER I LLOYD III, DIR. OF VULCAN INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: VUL), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 342
#90352c0500 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, WALTER R GRIFFIN, DIR. OF WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: WBST), BOUGHT 285 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,770.

-30- 321
#90352c0501 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, THEODORE I BOTTER, OFFICER OF WARNER COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: WCP), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,228.

-30- 341
#90352c0502 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, CHARLES F TRAPP, DIR. OF WORLDWIDE COMPUTER SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WCSI), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 64,550.

-30- 332
#90352c0503 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, DENNIS L LYNCH, OFFICER OF WENDY'S INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WEN), SOLD 300 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,605.

-30- 319
#90352c0505 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, JERRY A PARSONS, OFFICER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 400 SHARES FROM $32.25 TO $35.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,022.

-30- 354
#90352c0506 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, WILLAMETTE INDS STOCK PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 19,300 SHARES FROM $31.25 TO $35.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,796,620.

-30- 377

#90352c0507 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, ROBERT G FRANK, DIR. OF WASHINGTON NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: WNT), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,524.

-30- 319
#90352c0508 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, DAVID L ROBERTSON, DIR. OF WEIRTON STEEL CORP. (TICKER: WS), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 311
#90352c0509 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, EUGENE W CARNEY, OFFICER OF WILAND SERVICES INC. (TICKER: WSVS), SOLD 14,284 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,850.

-30- 314
#90352c0510 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, JAMES A GEIER, DIR. OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $32.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,400.

-30- 282
#90352c0511 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JOHN F MCGILLICUDDY, DIR. OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $31.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 296
#90352c0513 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.R. HAIGH OWNS 328,250 SHARES (13.90%) OF RENT A WRECK OF AMERICA INC.

(TICKER: RAWA) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to placements of series A convertible preferred stock and warrants to acquire common stock, Mr. Haigh holds 151,250 shares of series A preferred stock and warrants to purchase 55,000 shares of common stock, and a portion of a warrant to purchase 6,500 shares of common stock in connection with his withdrawal from Richter Cohen & Co. Mr. Haigh also hold options, employment, nonqualified and in connection with his position as director, to purchase 45,000, 30,000 and 10,000 shares, respectively, of common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On November 15, 1990, Mr. Haigh, through his IRA, purchased 10,000 shares of common stock for $1 per share in an open market transaction.

-30- 1045
#90352c0514 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

D.H. MILLER OWNS 690,435 SHARES (7.10%) OF CODA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CODA) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 14, 1990, Mr. Miller fulfilled his obligation to assign his shares of common stock received from Milmac Ltd. to Mr. Pickens under the terms of a July 25, 1989 loan agreement by making a cash payment of $85,608 to Mr. Pickens in lieu of transferring any common stock to Mr. Pickens. Milmac Ltd. and James A. McAuley are no longer reporting persons under schedule 13d as a result of the Aug. 1, 1990 distribution Milmac Ltd. made to its partners of all shares and warrants to purchase shares of common stock.

-30- 834
#90352c0515 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.R. PFEFFER OWNS 152,500 SHARES (9.50%) OF HOMETOWN BANCORP. (TICKER: HTWN) OF DARIEN, CONNECTICUT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.R. Pfeffer has an application pending to acquire up to 13.25 percent of the total shares outstanding.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On an unspecified date, J.R. Pfeffer purchased 30,000 shares at an average price of $3.55 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 586
#90352c0516 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

L. SION OWNS 643,300 SHARES (14.20%) OF POLLUTION RESEARCH & CONTROL CORP. (TICKER: PRCC) OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include 200,000 shares which are subject to an immediately exercisable option.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 487
#90352c0517 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

H.E. SAMPSON OWNS 224,207 SHARES (9.40%) OF HARVEY GROUP INC.(TICKER: HRA) OF ROSLYN HEIGHTS, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 27, 1990, the board and stock option and compensation committee granted Mr. Sampson stock options to purchase 50,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of $1.125 per share pursuant to the company's 1988 stock option plan. These stock options are immediately exercisable and expire on

Nov. 27, 1995. Mr. Sampson and the company entered into an option cancellation agreement pursuant to which he agreed to the cancellation of previously granted stock options to purchase 25,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of $2.125. Mr. Sampson disclaims any beneficial interest in his wife's shares.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 980
#90352c0518 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

C.J. WALSH OWNS 32,500 SHARES (5.99%) OF STEPHAN CO.(TICKER: STPN) OF FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 10, 1990, Mr. Walsh exercised his option to purchase 8,400 shares and released all remaining shares under the option agreement.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 469
#90352c0519 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The funds used to exercise the option consist of $4,277,518 cash and a loan from Cetus to Eurocetus International NV, et al. in the amount of DFL 14,088,438 million Dutch Guilders. The loan plus $10,518 of the $4,277,518 in cash will be used by Eurocetus International NV, et al. to purchase from Cetus the 1,051,750 shares of common stock of Cetus which are to be delivered to the Limited Partners of the Partnership in payment of the option exercise price. The Eurocetus International NV, et al. intends to cause the Partnership to be dissolved and to file a Form 15 to terminate the registration of the Units under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 15, 1990, Eurocetus International NV, et al. exercised a purchase option to acquire a total of 12,414 units for a purchase price consisting of 1,051,750 shares of common stock of Cetus, $4,267,000 in cash and certain installment payments through Dec. 31, 2005 based on sales of the Partnership's products.

PURPOSE:

Exercised purchase option to acquire units of LP interest.

-30- 1309
#90352c0521 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY HAROLD H KLINE & ASSOCIATES OWNS 97,749 SHARES (8.85%) OF RARITAN BANCORP. INC.(TICKER: RARB) OF RARITAN, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Kline, Elko & Co. was dissolved as of Nov. 30, 1990 pursuant to a written dissolution agreement between Messrs. Kline and Elko. On Dec. 17, 1990, Mr. Elko received 17,250 shares of common stock as consideration for the redemption of all of his interests as a general partner and as a limited partner of the Partnership and has, therefore, ceased to be a reporting person.

-30- 734
#90352c0522 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.R. SMITH OWNS 1,750,000 SHARES (17.50%) OF OAK TREE CONSTRUCTION COMPUTERS INC.(TICKER: AOAK) OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The shares were acquired by Mr. Smith as part of the aggregate consideration paid by the company for the acquisition of all the outstanding shares of common stock of FSF pursuant to the terms of the stock purchase agreement dated Nov. 8, 1990, as amended. The consideration used to acquire the shares of common stock is an aggregate of 1,560 shares of common stock of FSF. Pursuant to the stock purchase agreement, as an additional consideration

payable for the shares of common stock of FSF, Mr. Smith will receive a further 1,590,000 shares of common stock if and when the shareholders of the company approve an increase in the number of authorized shares of common stock.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1077
#90352c0523 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY BOMARKO INC. OF PLYMOUTH, INDIANA OWNS 1,818,200 SHARES (11.30%) OF INTL TELECHARGE INC.(TICKER: ITI) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Bomarko Inc., et al. have requested the board of directors of the International Telecharge Inc. to approve the additional purchase or purchases of additional shares for the purposes of the Delaware Business Combination Act.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 5, 1990 through Dec. 12, 1990, Bomarko Inc., et al. have purchased 281,800 shares at a price of $0.03 to $1.02 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 783
#90352c0524 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A.I. GOLDBERG OWNS 55,800 SHARES (5.80%) OF SUN CITY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: SNI) OF MIAMI, FLORIDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 29, 1990 through Dec. 10, 1990, A.I. Goldberg purchased 10,000 shares at a price of $2.88 to $3 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 482
#90352c0525 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M. YATES OWNS 1,750,000 SHARES (17.50%) OF OAK TREE CONSTRUCTION COMPUTERS INC.(TICKER: AOAK) OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The shares were acquired by Mr. Yates as part of the aggregate consideration paid by the company for the acquisition of all the outstanding shares of common stock of FSF pursuant to the terms of the stock purchase agreement dated Nov. 8, 1990, as amended. The consideration used to acquire the shares of common stock is an aggregate of 1,468 shares of common stock of FSF. Pursuant to the stock purchase agreement, as an additional consideration payable for the shares of common stock of FSF, Mr. Yates will receive a further 1,390,000 shares of common stock if and when the shareholders of the company approve an increase in the number of authorized shares of common stock.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1073
#90352c0526 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 19) COMTEX - Abilene, Texas-based Independent Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: IBSI) has sold its Muleshoe State Bank subsidiary, based in Muleshoe, Texas, to an investor group headed by the Muleshoe State president for $2.24 million.

Independent Bankshares also sold its Wellington State Bank unit of Wellington, Texas, on Dec. 7, to a group of local investors for $2.4 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Independent Bankshares now owns four banking subsidiaries; First State Bank N.A., Abilene, First State Bank N.A., Odessa, First National Bank, Stamford, and Olton State Bank, Olton.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 18, 1990.

-30- 884
#90352c0527 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The Olsten Corp.(TICKER: OLS) of Westbury, N.Y., has purchased Upjohn Co.'s Upjohn HealthCare Services Inc. subsidiary, a provider of health-care personnel and services, for $58 million cash, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 18, 1990.

-30- 513
#90352c0529 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 16

D.F. LAMBERTI OF DES MOINES, IOWA OWNS 1,987,830 SHARES (18.10%) OF CASEY'S GENERAL STORES (TICKER: CASY) OF ANKENY, IOWA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 14, 1990 D.F. Lamberti disposed of 200,000 shares by gift to an irrevocable trust created by D.F. Lamberti for the benefit of his four children.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 533
#90352c0530 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY A.M. ZLOTNICK OWNS 1,353,500 SHARES (6.40%) OF TIGERA GROUP INC. (TICKER: TYGR) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 11, 1990 A.M. Zlotnick, et al. purchased 25,000 shares at $.66 per share from his son. Between July 19 and Dec. 11, 1990 A.M. Zlotnick, et al. purchased 264,500 shares at $.47 to $.73 per share.

-30- 554
#90352c0531 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

NYCOR INC. OWNS 2,200,000 SHARES (8.23%) OF ZENITH ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: ZE) OF GLENVIEW, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 12, 1990 the FTC and the Dept. of Justice advised NYCOR Inc. that they had granted early termination of the HRS Act waiting period in connection with NYCOR Inc.'s application to obtain clearance for the purchase of more than $15 million in value and up to 15 percent of the outstanding Zenith Electronics Corp. shares.

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#90352c0532 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.P. RUNYEON OWNS 745,000 SHARES (18.48%) OF TRILOS CORP. OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 12, 1990 Trilos Corp., Anna Wenger and J.P. Runyeon entered into a stock purchase agreement under which Wenger and J.P. Runyeon purchased 745,000 Trilos Corp. shares for a total consideration of $37,250.

PURPOSE:

To obtain control of Trilos Corp..

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#90352c0533 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

A. WENGER OWNS 745,000 SHARES (18.48%) OF TRILOS CORP. OF DALLAS, TX.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 12, 1990 Trilos Corp., Anna Wenger and Jennifer P. Runyeon entered into a stock purchase agreement under which Wenger and Runyeon purchased 745,000 Trilos Corp. shares for a total consideration of $37,250.

PURPOSE:

To obtain control of Trilos Corp..

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#90352c0534 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

CARIBBEAN MARINE INC. OWNS 1,423,397 SHARES (23.90%) OF 50-OFF STORES INC. (TICKER: FOFF) OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between June 14 and July 20, 1990 Caribbean Marine Inc. sold 90,000 shares at $4.63 to $5.75 per share.

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#90352c0535 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 274,300 SHARES (41.24%) OF LVI GROUP INC.(TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 14, 1990 Gamco Investors Inc. sold 35,500 shares at $.16 per share.

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#90352c0537 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

T.D. CASHION OWNS 1,750,000 SHARES (17.50%) OF OAK TREE CONSTRUCTION COMPUTERS INC.(TICKER: AOAK) OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

T.D. Cashion has entered into a stock purchase agreement dated Nov. 8, 1990 and amended through Dec. 4, 1990 under which T.D. Cashion obtained his shares in exchange for 1,560 shares of First Security Funding Inc. upon the acquisition of FSF by Oak Tree Construction Computers Inc..

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90352c0538 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ARDSLEY PARTNERS OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 443,700 SHARES (4.80%) OF OCCUPATIONAL URGENT HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: OUCH) OF SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 28, 1990 and Dec. 6, 1990 Ardsley Partners sold 132,500 shares at $9.73 to $11.25 per share.

-30- 504
#90352c0539 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ARDSLEY PARTNERS OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 790,000 SHARES (14.90%) OF PORTUGAL FUND INC.(TICKER: PGF) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 27, 1990 and Dec. 11, 1990 Ardlsey Partners purchased 165,000 shares at $8.94 to $9.56 per share.

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#90352c0540 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY P. CUNDILL & ASSOCIATES LTD. OWNS 703,000 SHARES (14.29%) OF EVANS INC.(TICKER: EVAN) OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Sept. 4 and Nov. 20, 1990 P. Cundhill & Associates LTD., et al. purchased 53,000 shares at $.90 to $1.61 per share.

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#90352c0541 12/18/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY CAMBRIDGE CAPITAL FUND LP. OWNS 588,300 SHARES (17.50%) OF WHITEHALL CORP.(TICKER: WHT) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Cambridge Capital Fund LP., et al. are disappointed with the recent financial results of the Whitehall Corp. and continue to explore their options to effect changes in the policies and management of the Whitehall Corp.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Nov. 26 and Dec. 17, 1990 the Cambridge Capital Fund LP., et al. purchased 39,100 shares at $12 to $13 per share.

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#90352d2740 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HANOI (DEC. 18) - Vietnam's exports have increased this year but the country is still running a net trade deficit, the Vietnam News Agency (VNA) said Tuesday.

The value of Vietnam's exports in the past 11 months rose 29 per cent over the same period last year to total 1.56 billion dollars, VNA said, citing trade ministry figures. Imports during the same period rose 13.5 per cent to 1.70 billion dollars.

The ministry's figures show a "substantial decrease" in trade between Vietnam and eastern Europe but reflect "an increase in trade with other countries," VNA said.

"For the first 11 months, exports to socialist countries amounted to 885 million rubles (491 million dollars) while imports were 1.16 million rubles (644 million dollars), according to the ministry's figures.

"This deficit, largely to the Soviet Union, is going to create problems for Vietnam next year because the country needs these imports to run its economy,

but they will be paid for in hard currency and based on world market prices in line with Moscow's new policy," an expert said.

Vietnam's main imports from the Soviet Union are motor-fuels, cotton, vehicles and machine-tools.

Hanoi, on the other hand, ran a near trade balance with non-socialist countries, exporting some 1.07 billion dollars worth of goods and importing 1.06 billion dollars.

Vietnam's leading exports to the non-socialist countries were rice and petroleum, expected to total this year respectively 1.5 million tonnes and 2.5 million tonnes, according to official estimates.

Officials here are bracing for severe economic hardship next year, largely because of the cut in supplies from eastern European nations, Hanoi's closest allies until they were hit by the recent wave of reform, which Vietnam rejects.

Faced with the rapidly changing international alignment, Vietnam is trying to reorient its commerce towards the capitalist economies of Asia and Europe.

Japan is already Vietnam's leading non-socialist trading partner, while trading ties are being developed with the European Community, which provides Vietnam with more than half of its foreign investment.

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#90352d2810 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (DEC. 18) - Taiwan's Central Bank of China Tuesday further liberalized credit control by allowing local banks to extend loans over five million Taiwan dollar (184,501 U.S. dollar) to foreign investors without seeking its prior approval, banking officials said.

The requirement that local banks needed guarantees from foreign banks before extending loans to foreign investors was also removed, the officials said.

The move was expected to encourage more foreign enterprises to invest in the island and to help local banking units expand their operations in line with Taiwan's financial liberalization policy, they added.

To control credit, the Central Bank of China required in November 1980 that foreign investors seeking loans from local banks must first obtain guarantees from overseas banks and that credit over five million Taiwan dollars needed its approval.

Growing environmental protection sentiment, an acute labor shortage, skyrocketing land prices and stiff banking regulations have pressed the island's businessmen to seek overseas investment channels while discouraging foreign investors, analysts said.

The value of approved foreign investment in the island dipped 7.46 per cent to 2.02 billion dollars in the January-November period against the 109 per cent growth posted in the 11 months of 1989.

The chemical manufacturing industry was most favored by foreign investors, absorbing 22.52 per cent of overall approved foreign investment in the first 11 month of 1990, while the electronic and electrical appliance sector followed with 16.7 per cent.

-30- 1805

#90352d2830 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 18) - Japan's money supply grew at an annual rate of 10 per cent in November, down from 11.8 per cent in October and the slowest pace of expansion in 11 months, the Bank of Japan said Tuesday.

"This was due to a slowdown in lending and a fall in the outstanding balance of domestic commercial paper," it said, adding that other factors included a shift in financial assets and a change in the timing of pension payments.

Japan's money supply -- as measured by cash in circulation plus demand deposits and certificates of deposit -- has been growing by more than 10 per cent since December last year, peaking at 13.2 per cent in April and May.

The central bank said that the latest figures showed a slowdown in the growth of cash in circulation and quasi money accompanied by an increase in deposit growth.

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#90352d3150 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 18) - Japan's two biggest carmakers, Toyota Motor Corp. and Nissan Motor Co. Ltd., said Tuesday that their domestic sales of motor vehicles declined in November while exports continued to grow.

The two companies also announced increases in worldwide production during the month although Nissan said its domestic output alone was unchanged.

Toyota said its domestic sales fell 2.4 per cent from a year earlier to 228,678 vehicles in November, the first decline in two months. Car sales dropped 3.4 per cent to 173,238 units but sales of lorries and buses grew 0.6 per cent to 55,440 units, the company said.

Exports grew 3.2 per cent to 127,837 vehicles with car exports rising 5.1 per cent to 91,413 units while exports of commercial vehicles fell 1.1 per cent to 36,424 units.

Nissan said its domestic sales fell 0.1 per cent to 113,288 units, marking the first decline in seven months. Car sales were down 5.2 per cent at 82,735 units but sales of trucks and buses rose 16.7 per cent to 30,553 units.

Exports grew 9.7 per cent to 84,304 vehicles with car exports climbing 15 per cent to 72,348 units and exports of commercial vehicles falling 14.1 per cent to 11,956 units.

Toyota's output grew 4.5 per cent to 368,847 vehicles with production abroad surging 20.1 per cent to 62,895 units.

Nissan's production was up 3.9 per cent at 262,685 vehicles units. Domestic output was unchanged at 196,164 units while production abroad soared 17.4 per cent to 66,521 units, the company said.

-30- 1719

#90352d3170 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 18) - India has asked for a loan of 1.68 billion dollars from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to help cope with a fiscal crisis which has stripped its foreign exchange reserves to a record low.

Simultaneously, the government of Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar increased excise and customs levies Monday to bring in some 744 million dollars in additional revenue over the next year.

The 1.68 billion dollars sought from the IMF includes a 490 million dollar loan to finance oil imports under the agency's contingency compensatory finance facility with the rest as a first credit tranche, press reports said Tuesday.

Finance ministry officials dealing with the IMF were not available for comment on the reports which cited no sources.

The money expected to materialise by the end of January will give New Delhi some elbow room in the fiscal bind caused by the Gulf crisis. The IMF does not prescribe economic readjustments for a member seeking a first credit tranche. A member needs only to explain its balance of payments difficulties to avail of the loan under the agency's tranche policies.

Larger borrowings would require IMF readjustments which Indian governments have been reluctant to accept because of domestic political hostility to heeding what are described as "foreign dictates".

The decision to seek the loan came as India's foreign exchange reserves plunged to an all-time low of 1.5 billion dollars -- sufficient to finance only two weeks' imports.

-30- 1716

#90352d3200 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 18) - Japan will likely propose a substantial cut in its import quota on Chinese raw silk at governmental consultations opening in Beijing Thursday, Foreign Ministry sources said Tuesday.

The two-day talks are to set fiscal 1990 import quotas on Chinese raw silk and silk products, they said.

Last year Japan doubled the raw silk import quota to 40,000 bales (one bale equals to 60 kilograms or 132 pounds) from a year earlier. But the supply and demand situation in Japan has changed in the meantime, with raw silk consuption slumping.

The stock at the Japan Raw Silk and Sugar Price Stabilization Agency, is expected to reach some 37,000 bales by next June when the delivery of Chinese raw silk under the fiscal 1989 quota is completed.

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#90352d3210 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 18) - Household spending in Japan was down 0.4 per cent in October from a year earlier, registering the first year-on-year decline in seven months, the Management and Coordination Agency said Tuesday.

The 0.4 per cent fall for October, during which spending averaged 301,857 yen (2,322 dollars) per household, followed a 0.6 per cent rise in September.

Spending by salaried workers' households fell by 0.9 per cent, the first such fall in seven months, but spending by non-salaried households rose 1.4 per cent, it said.

Agency officials said the average household spent less on clothing, furniture, foodstuffs, and recreational activities.

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#90352d3280 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 18) - World trade is expected to grow 5.3 per cent in real terms in calendar 1991, the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) said Tuesday.

The semi-governmental trade promotion body said in a report that world trade next year will be valued at 3.3527 trillion dollars.

Europe and Newly Industrializing Economies (NIES) in particular are expected to contribute to the expansion of the world economy in 1991, the JETRO report said.

Japan's exports next year are likely to grow only 0.1 per cent to 283.3 billion dollars, while imports are expected to increase 5.1 per cent to 202.0 billion dollars, it said.

The JETRO estimated that Japanese exports this year would rise 2.9 per cent and imports would increase 4.7 per cent.

Japan should continue efforts next year to reduce its huge trade surplus, the target of foreign criticism, it said.

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#90352d3410 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (DEC. 18) - The Taipei District Court indicted Tuesday 81 people for allegedly operating the island's largest underground investment house, charging them with fraud and violation of banking, company and security exchange laws.

Chief Prosecutor Liu Ching-yi said that Shen Chang-sheng, chairman of Hung Yuan Group, legislator Abdula (eds: correct) and 11 other executives of the illicit money-managing investment house were among the defendants accused of "seriously" disrupting Taiwan's economic order and financial activities.

Mr. Liu said he would ask the court to impose heavy jail terms and fines on the charged executives for their alleged role in taking a whopping 96.19 billion Taiwan dollars (3.55 billion U.S.) from some 160,000 small investors in exchange for promised interest payments of up to six per cent a month.

Hung Yuan, also known as Homey, is the largest and last of some 180 illegal deposit-taking investment houses to be broken up by the authorities.

Hung Yuan, comprising 23 companies in Taiwan and some 20 abroad, reportedly held total assets of 30 billion Taiwan dollars (1.1 billion U.S.) when its leader Mr. Shen was arrested in August.

The group, founded by Mr. Shen in November 1982, profited extensively through speculating in the local stock and real estate markets but in July last year it started cutting interest rates after Parliament revised the Banking Law to ban deposit-taking by unauthorized firms.

Mr. Shen was sued by investors after the group stopped all payments a year later.

-30- 1759
#90352d3450 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 18) - Japan and China are to let shipping companies set up representative offices in each other's countries under a government agreement reached in Beijing last week, a Foreign Ministry official said Tuesday.

The official said that details of the agreement, including the number of offices, would be worked out later in talks including the companies involved.

China previously rejected applications by Japanese shipping companies to set up offices in China, arguing that their needs were already being met by an existing office of the Japan-China Marine Transportation Council.

The daily Shipping and Trade News said Tuesday that three major firms had applied to set up offices in China: Nippon Yusen Kaisha Ltd., Mitsui O.S.K. Lines Ltd. and Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha Ltd. .

The newspaper noted that American President Lines and Sea-Land Service of the United States had offices in Shanghai, Dalian and Tianjin. Hong Kong's Orient Overseas Container Line Ltd. also has a Shanghai office while Denmark's Maersk Line has offices in Nanjing, Shanghai, Beijing and Tianjin, it added.

Earlier Tuesday, a Japanese trade group known as the Japan-China Long-Term Trade Committee said it had agreed with its Chinese counterpart to extend a 12-year trade agreement expiring this year until 1995.

Under the accord, committee officials said, Chinese oil exports to Japan will remain at the current level of between 64.2 million barrels and 67.8 million barrels year. But Chinese coal exports are to rise by between 10 per cent and 30 per cent, reaching 3.9 million tonnes to 5.3 million tonnes.

Japan is also expected to provide eight billion dollars in financing for Chinese imports of plants and machine tools from Japan, officials said.

The extension of the agreement was due to be signed by officials of the two committees in Tokyo Tuesday evening including Ryoichi Kawai, president of the Japanese construction machinery giant Komatsu Ltd.

-30- 2182
#90352d3470 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 18) - European Commission president Jacques Delors has accused Germany, the Netherlands, Spain and France of backsliding on the issue of European economic and monetary union.

In an interview with the Financial Times he said "I am no longer sure that Britain is the biggest menace."

Immediately after last week's Rome summit of the 12 European Community leaders Mr. Delors said he was prepared to provoke a political crisis if any country attempted to put a spanner in the inter-governmental committee's work on economic and monetary union.

His remarks at the time were taken as a direct warning to Britain, the fiercest critic of the commission project.

But Mr. Delors told the FT that his remarks had been wrongly interpreted and that he had not intended to cast a shadow over John Major, attending his first summit as British prime minister.

He said his "cry of alarm" was aimed at several of Britain's partners who appeared to be going back on their clear commitment to move towards a single currency and central bank in the timetable agreed at the first Rome summit in October.

German Finance Minister Theo Waigel had "violently attacked" the draft EMU treaty tabled by the commission. The Dutch Spanish and French financial minister behaved as if "nothing had happened at the first Rome summit," said Mr. Delors.

In an editorial the FT, while recognising Mr. Delors' achievements in reviving the EC, said he was now in danger of "losing both his sense of priorities and his sense of proportion." It accused him of failing in his principal task of resurrecting the Uruguay Round of GATT, the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

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#90352d3610 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 18) - Victor Co. of Japan Ltd. (JVC) said it formed a music venture Tuesday with MCA Music Entertainment Group of the United States to develop and market audio and video products in Japan.

The announcement followed last month's move by JVC's parent, Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd., to acquire for 6.1 billion dollars MCA Inc. whose assets also include Hollywood film studio Universal Pictures.

The new company, capitalised at 490 million yen (93.8 million dollars), is 50 per cent owned by MCA with JVC holding 25.5 per cent and its audio arm Victor Musical Industries Inc. holding the remaining 24.5 per cent.

Victor Music president Noboru Takayama told a news conference that the establishment of the joint venture was not directly related to Matsushita's takeover of MCA, the largest ever Japanese purchase in the United States.

"The two deals were negotiated separately," he said. "The new company, MCA Victor Inc., will market only music videos not MCA movies."

The company will start operating in July, selling recordings under the MCA,

Geffen and GRP labels as well as signing up Japanese artists, a statement said. Sales are expected to rise from six billion yen (46 million dollars) in the first year to 10 billion yen (77 million dollars) within three years.

MCA Music Entertainment's sales came to 3.38 billion dollars last year, amounting to 23 per cent of the parent's sales.

JVC is Japan's biggest producer of video cassette recorders and is 51 per cent-owned by Matsushita.

-30- 1711
#90352d3620 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OSLO (DEC. 18) - The Norwegian parliament began debate here to introduce a tax on the burning of natural gas in the North Sea oil fields. The carbon dioxide levy will raise an estimated 360 million kroner (62 million dollars) in revenues yearly.

The petroleum installations on the Norwegian shelf emit six million tonnes of carbon dioxide annually. The new tax, which will be passed before the end of the week, will increase the oil companies' running expenses by nine per cent.

North Sea oil fields burn natural gas for three reasons: to produce energy for platform use, to get rid of excess gas and to keep a steady flame burning in case of sudden emissions.

Norway has pledged to freeze its carbon dioxide pollution at 1989 levels. Over the last decade, cars have caused 22 per cent of the 35 million tonnes of carbon dioxide released each year to 15 per cent by the oil industry.

-30- 1087
#90352d3940 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BERLIN (DEC. 18) - Several thousand students and university teachers demonstrated on Tuesday in Berlin and Leipzig against plans to close higher educational establishments in former East Germany.

In West Berlin, students gathered outside the city hall where the regional government was discussing plans to close or restructure certain departments at the Humboldt University in the eastern sector.

Departments threatened with closure and redundancies are those most tainted with the ideology of the discredited communist regime, such as history,

philosophy and economics.

Students waved banners protesting against the university's dismantlement and proclaiming "reunification is making us stupid."

In Leipzig students occupied the administrative offices at the Karl Marx University, demanding to be consulted on restructuring plans, and opposing the proposed closure of former East Germany's only school of journalism.

Similar protests have taken place in the past week in Schwerin, Dresden and Erfuhrt.

-30- 1214
#90352d4070 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 18) - Lithuanian Prime Minister Kazimiera Prunskiene will begin a private three-day visit to Tokyo on Friday before moving on to Australia, an official organising the visit here said.

Mrs. Prunskiene will be accompanied by her industry and telecommunications ministers and was expected to hold talks with major Japanese banks and companies, said Alexander Kairis, director of the Japanese branch of the Waco firm which specialises in cooperation with Lithuania.

According to the Japanese Foreign Ministry, no arrangements have been made for Mrs. Prunskiene to meet Japanese government officials.

Lithuania formally declared its independence from the Soviet Union in March, although Moscow refused to recognise the action.

Mrs. Prunskiene's visit is part of the Baltic republic's diplomatic efforts to win support from industrialised nations for Lithuanian independence, ahead of further discussions with Moscow on the question.

-30- 1124
#90352d4090 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 18) - Women in the Russian city of Lipetsk must produce medical proof of nicotine addiction before they are allowed to buy cigarette coupons, it was reported here Tuesday.

The Rabochaya Tribuna (Workers' Tribune) newspaper said the ruling did not apply to male smokers at the city about 380 kilometres southeast of Moscow.

However, as it was impossible for doctors to ascertain levels of addiction medical certificates were issued to any woman who asked for one, the report said.

The newspaper said that fortunately the regulation did not cover vodka, oil or fruit, items for which coupons are also required.

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#90352d5560 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (DEC 18) - The Israeli army foresees a war in the Gulf that will have repercussions on Israel, chief of staff General Dan Shomron said here Tuesday.

The army is now "operating on the hypothesis that war will break out in the Gulf," Gen. Shomron told Voice of Israel radio.

"We must assume that such a war will have repercussions for Israel," he added.

A military source, reacting to the general's remarks, said he was suggesting that the army must "always prepare for the worst."

"No one knows if there will be war," the source added, "but we must avoid all surprises. It's precisely for this reason that gas masks have been distributed over the last few months to the civilian population."

Foreign Minister David Levy meanwhile said any U.S.-led military action against Iraq should be "decisive" in order to put an end to the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.

Such a war, he told visiting U.S. Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, "will reinforce Arab moderates by showing that aggression does not pay."

-30- 1213
#90352d5800 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (DEC. 18) - India is exploring possibilities of securing a loan from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to help cope with a grave financial crisis, Finance Minister Yashwant Sinha said Tuesday.

But the minister told a group of MPs here that New Delhi would not accept any dictates from the IMF while seeking assistance under the Compensatory Contingency Financing Facility (CCFF).

Sinha did not say how much his cash-strapped government was seeking, although financial dailies reported Tuesday that New Delhi had sought 1.68 billion dollars from the IMF. The amount includes a 490 million dollar loan to finance oil imports under the CCFF, and the rest as a first credit tranche, the press reports here said.

"India will not accept any conditions that impinge upon the national objectives," Sinha said. "Within these parameters, India as a member of the

IMF will consider the use of available facilities."

The decision to seek the loan came as India's foreign exchange reserves plunged to an all-time low of 1.5 billion dollars - sufficient to finance only two weeks' imports.

Although not sufficient to overcome a severe balance of payments crunch, the money expected to materialise by the end of January will give India some elbow room in the fiscal bind caused by the Gulf crisis.

Sinha said the government would observe strict control on expenditure "to tide over the present economic difficulties," but simultaneously asked the people to tighten their belts.

The IMF does not prescribe economic readjustments for a member seeking a first credit tranche. A country must only explain its balance of payments difficulties to avail itself of the loan under the agency's tranche policies.

Larger borrowings would require IMF readjustments which Indian governments have been reluctant to accept because of domestic political hostility to heeding what are described as "foreign dictates."

Indian officials have blamed the financial difficulties on fallout from Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, which sharply drove up New Delhi's oil bill while hitting revenues. The Gulf crisis is estimated to have cost India some 2.9 billion dollars.

Simultaneously, the government of Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar has hiked excise and customs levies to bring in 744 million dollars in additional revenue over the next year.

An official statement said here late Monday that the hikes were notified after Sinha carried out a review of the budget deficit, expected to hit 7.2 billion dollars in fiscal 1990-91 ending in March.

The hike, effective Saturday, is part of a major revenue-raising exercise launched by the five-week-old government of Shekhar, and covers manmade fibers yarns, and aerated water. Observers said the levies could increase inflation, hurt industrial output, and encourage smuggling.

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#90352d5850 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 18) - The International Confederation of Free Unions on Tuesday condemned what it termed the brutal, bloody and disproportionate repression of protesters by Moroccan authorities.

It said the protests were an explosion of anger by young people who were

giving vent to their despair.

The organisation, based in Brussels, was referring to recent demonstrations in several Moroccan towns, and particularly Fez.

"While the violence and looting cannot be justified, the profound causes of the events can be found in social injustice and blatant inequalities which are rampant in a country governed by a formal democracy based on the falsification of the people's will," the organisation said.

It said that it supported moves by its affiliated organisation in Morocco, the Moroccan Labour Union, "in favour of the workers' social demands and broadening of democracy".

The organisation groups 144 union movements in 100 countries, and says that it represents 99 million workers throughout the world.

-30- 1229

#90352d5990 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 18) - Paul Tortelier, a master of the French cello school, died Tuesday, aged 76, near Paris of a heart attack.

Mr. Tortelier died at the Manoir de Villarceaux where he was teaching a dozen leading young musicians from different countries.

Mr. Tortelier was born in Paris on March 21, 1914 and began his international career after World War II following studies at the Paris Conservatory.

With his clear and ethereal tone, typical of the French school, he played with such renowned performers as pianist Arthur Rubinstein and violinist Isaac Stern as well as with world-famous orchestras and prestigious conductors.

Mr. Tortelier was also a composer and although he wrote largely for the cello composed "Romance and Dance Variations" for flute and piano.

Teaching played a large part in Paul Tortelier's life. He taught at the Paris Conservatory from 1956 to 1969.

Mr. Tortelier invented a cello stand which bears his name to allow the player to hold the instrument more inclined.

-30- 1177

#90352d6010 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 18) - The British government on Tuesday opened the way for an alliance between the British paper group Wiggins Teape Appleton and the French company Arjomari Prioux, which was announced at the beginning of November.

Trade and Industry Minister Peter Lilley said that he had decided not to refer the deal to the Mergers and Monopolies Commission.

The deal will create the biggest paper group in Europe and the eighth biggest in the world.

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#90352d6100 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (DEC. 18) - Workers of the Gdansk shipyards will get free company shares, according to a report on Tuesday in Gazeta, a newspaper close to the government.

Poland's new privatisation law authorises the free distribution of shares to staff of the companies being privatised.

The shipyard shares, worth a total 62 billion zlotys (6.2 million dollars) will be distributed to all those employed at the shipyards in April 1990, the date when the yards were transformed into a shareholding company.

The company's capital amounts to 454 billion zlotys (45 million dollars), the paper said.

Gazeta said the decision to hand out shares was taken Monday by the government to "compensate the shipyard workers for the problems they suffered in the wake of a political decision by former communist prime minister Mieczyslaw Rakowski " to liquidate the Gdansk shipyards.

The shipyards are now being reorganized and employ some 6,000 people.

-30- 1137

#90352d6120 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OFFENBURG, GERMANY (DEC. 18) - A court here Tuesday sentenced two U.S. citizens to jail terms for dealing in drugs produced by a German firm that supplied components for a poison gas plant to Libya.

Texan businessman Charles F. Pofahl, 49, received six years and three months and 51-year-old chemist Morris Key was given six years. The court ordered the confiscation of 870,000 dollars Pofahl had earned from selling the drugs, marketed under the names ''Ecstasy'', ''Cadillac'' or ''Adam''.

The court also imposed fines equivalent to 2,400 marks and 6,000 dollars on two employees of the chemical firm Imhausen for helping to manufacture the drugs for the two Americans in 1988.

The head of Imhausen, Juergen Hippenstiel-Imhausen, was sentenced last June to

five years in prison for helping Libya construct a plant capable of producing chemical weapons.

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#90352d6170 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (DEC 18) - U.S. military officials on Tuesday began distributing more than 15 tonnes of holiday gifts for American troops based here that had arrived earlier in the day at a Saudi airbase.

Air Force personnel unloaded tens of thousands of chocolate chip cookies, video and audio cassettes and many more items.

"Santa comes before Christmas," said a surprised sergeant, Willie O'Lewis, as he was handed a T-shirt and newspapers.

MGM Grand Air and United Services Organizations (USO), which serves U.S. military personnel and their families, collected the gifts from more than 50 companies, the USO said.

Officials at MGM, which flies movie stars and executives, said other gifts included 7,000 pounds of moisturizer, 20,000 chocolate chip cookies and 7,200 toy cars -- presumably so troops can send them to their children back home.

There were also basketballs, including one autographed by the Los Angeles Lakers, footballs, and volleyballs, they said.

And there was a "holiday card" from President George Bush, according to the USO.

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#90352d6190 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (DEC 18) - All 2,565 Soviet nationals still in Iraq are now free to leave the country, a spokesman for the Soviet Embassy said here Tuesday.

"Iraqi authorities are preventing no Soviet citizen from going home," he said. "They have been left free either to go or stay."

Two hundred Soviet nationals left Sunday and another group is scheduled to fly out on Thursday.

The Soviet foreign ministry on Monday announced that 751 of its citizens had left Iraq between December 7 and 17.

Iraqi authorities authorized the departure of all Soviet nationals just days before freeing all Western and Japanese citizens who had been held hostage.

Previously, the government had said Soviet citizens could only leave after finishing their employment contracts.

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#90352d6230 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 18) - The European Community is to lend Yugoslavia 730 million ecus (963 million dollars) between 1991 and 1996, it was announced here Tuesday.

But the community made a further 77 million ecu (101 million dollars) loan conditional on Yugoslavia granting transit rights to lorries from European countries. The condition was made at Greece's request.

Most of the loans will be used to improve Yugoslavia's transport infrastructure.

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#90352d6290 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 18) - Nigeria has asked the International Monetary Fund (Imf) to help provide cheaper oil to poor African nations.

A government source said here Tuesday that Lagos had called for lenient sale conditions for ''low-income oil-importing sub-Saharan African nations'', but did not say which nations might benefit.

The Nigerians have urged the Imf to offer the Africans access to special loan funds so they can pay for their costly oil imports.

Oil-rich Nigeria has already offered to earmark cheap oil from its own production for African nations whose petroleum supplies have been disrupted by the Gulf crisis.

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#90352d6360 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (DEC. 18) - Japanese car manufacturers are winning a significant part of the German car market and hope to hold 17 percent next year, the German car industry federation (VDA) said on Tuesday.

A market share of 17 percent would represent the sale of more than 500,000 cars compared with 426,000 this year.

The eight leading Japanese car manufacturers in Germany said their sales growth was the result of strong demand in eastern Germany.

Japanese firms were present in former East Germany through sporadic imports

financed by barter trade, but their market share was small.

In former West Germany they held 15.9 percent of the market in September, dropping slightly from a high of 17 percent in July.

The most popular models were in the medium range, led by the Mazda 323. Mazda is the most successful Japanese manufacturer followed by Toyota, Mitsubishi, Nissan, Honda, Suzuki, Daihatsu and Subaru.

Mazda hopes to sell more than 100,000 cars next year, representing 20 per cent of the market share held by Japanese manufacturers.

The German trade federation said that next year Mazda would concentrate on the market for medium-priced cars, while Toyota and Nissan would aim for the top end of the market.

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#90352d6380 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (DEC. 18) - President Frederik de Klerk on Tuesday granted indemnity from prosecution to all people who left South Africa illegally before October 8 this year, paving the way for the return of some 20,000 political exiles.

Tuesday's edition of the Government Gazette said the indemnity applies to members of former banned organisations, chief among them the African National Congres (ANC), on condition they fill in an application form.

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#90352d6400 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SAO PAOLO (DEC. 18) - Brazil plans to increase production of enriched uranium by 10 times beginning in March 1991 with the help of 550 new Brazilian-made centrifuges, a newspaper reported Tuesday.

The new centrifuges will be added to 48 others already in operation at the the Brazilian Navy's Aramar Experimental Center, O Estado do Sao Paolo said.

They represent the fourth generation of machines for enriching uranium that have been built with Brazilian technology since 1980 and would make the country self-sufficent in fuel for research reactors, which supply radioisotopes for 1,700 hospitals that specialize in nuclear medicine.

The newspaper said 40 companies participate directly and 160 others indirectly in the uranium enrichment program at the Aramar Experimental Center, which is localed in the city of Ipero about 200 kilometers (120 miles) from Sao Paolo.

The aerospace industry already is making use of such products as carbon filters and titanium alloys, using know-how developed in the Aramar center.

The head of the Navy's Special Projects Coordinator (Codesep), which is responsible for Aramar, told the newspaper that priority was being given to the development of advanced materials.

The report said 1,600 people, including 800 engineers and 32 military officers were employed at the Aramar Experimental Center and Codesep installations at the University of Sao Paolo.

The center also is involved in research for the construction of a nuclear submarine for the Brazilian navy. All of the nuclear programs are to be put under civilian control on orders of President Fernando Collor, who has pledged to end all the military's previous programs to develop nuclear arms.

In November, Mr. Collor and President Carlos Menem of Argentina signed a statement pledging not to develop nuclear weapons and agreeing to establish a system to monitor their respective nuclear industries and to begin negotiations with the International Atomic Energy Agency on establishing safeguards.

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#90352d6560 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 18) - NATO staked out a new role here Tuesday -- to extend its area of competence beyond the territory of its members, and to cautiously give European members more leeway in security and defence.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said after a meeting of NATO foreign ministers that they had agreed Iraq posed a threat to all 16 members of the alliance.

This set a precedent because, until now, NATO has considered that it may not act "out of area" -- beyond the borders of its members.

The decision is expected to start a lengthy debate on just how NATO may intervene in international crises, such as currently in the Gulf.

NATO secretary-general Manfred Woerner said Tuesday: "When there is a risk to any one member of the alliance, it is clear that all the others should help." He was referring to Turkey, which shares a border with Iraq.

The decision was considered a victory for the United States. Mr. Baker said it showed that the alliance should consider Western interests in general, even if this extended beyond NATO territory.

The NATO foreign ministers issued a strong statement on Iraq, stressing that Baghdad should not be allowed to sow discord among the allies ranged against it by, for example, staging an incomplete withdrawal from Kuwait.

Mr. Baker said Iraq would still face being expelled from Kuwait by force even if it had begun an incomplete troop withdrawal by January 15, the deadline set by the United Nations.

The United States avoided a potential row with the European Community (EC) by agreeing that the EC could launch its own peace initiative with Iraq even if planned U.S.-Iraqi meetings fell through because of disputes over dates.

Mr. Baker said he had no objection to the EC initiative as long as Iraq received one consistent message -- that it had to be out of Kuwait by January 15 or it would be thrown out.

NATO also gave a go-ahead for a strengthened "European pillar" -- an enhanced security and defence role for European members of NATO, but only on condition that they did not try to usurp the alliance's role.

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#90352d6600 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (DEC. 18) - German coalition leaders have agreed to hand over Interflug, the ailing airline of East Germany, to its western rival Lufthansa after a search for foreign buyers proved fruitless, a senior Christian Democrat figure disclosed here Tuesday.

The takeover would be accomplished within a matter of days, said Dirk Fischer, a member of the Bundestag who is privy to three-way negotiations currently under way to set up a fresh Bonn coalition.

Fischer said German Transport Minister Friedrich Zimmermann had told the negotiators that federal aviation authorities were likely to withdraw Interflug's operating licence as of the end of the year.

If that happened, Interflug, the one-time domestic and international carrier of East Germany, would have to cease flying.

Interflug, which is believed to have lost 130 million to 150 million marks (up to 100 million dollars) this year, is currently in the hands of the Trust Office, an agency set up to run state-owned businesses in the formerly communist east.

According to Fischer, the Christian Democrat, Christian Social Union and Free Democrat negotiators had had no objections. Interflug would be absorbed by Lufthansa and would in effect cease to exist as a self-contained unit.

Lufthansa, 51.62 per cent of which is owned by the federal German government, said Tuesday it was not aware of any decision. German monopoly watchdogs have repeatedly said they would oppose a merger of the two state carriers because it would kill competition.

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#90352d6670 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC 18) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,288.50 (1,294.50) 1,301.50 (1,302.00)
Lead 313.00 (319.00) 326.50 (331.50)
Zinc Hg 1,260.00 (1,262.50) 1,259.00 (1,261.00)
Tin 5,650.50 (5,732.50) 5,757.50 (5,825.00)
Aluminium 1,536.00 (1,519.50) 1,569.00 (1,554.50)
Nickel 8,075.00 (7,825.00) 8,087.50 (7,845.00)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90352d6830 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) - Iraq has boosted its forces by about 60,000 troops to more than 510,000 in Kuwait and southern Iraq since the end of November, a Pentagon spokesman said here Tuesday.

Pete Williams said more than 250,000 Iraqi soldiers were based in Kuwait.

The United States has stationed more than 270,000 troops in the Gulf, while its Western and Arab allies have 220,000 soldiers there.

The spokesman added that Washington was ''absolutely'' ready to wage war on January 15 in an effort to free Kuwait, in line with a United Nations Security Council resolution demanding that Iraq start to pull out of Kuwait by this date.

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#90352d6850 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SAN SALVADOR (DEC. 18) - U.N. mediator Alvaro de Soto said Tuesday there were good prospects for a resumption of peace talks between the Salvadoran government and leftist guerrillas despite a month-old rebel offensive.

Mr. de Soto, who met here Tuesday with President Alfredo Cristiani, denied that the rebel offensive had put in jeapordy the year-long talks on ending this country's 11-year-old civil war.

"I think the opposite is true," he said. "I think the two sides have reiterated their intention to continue the negotiating process."

The last round of talks were held in September. They were due to resume in Caracas, Venezuela, at the end of November, but were suspended after guerrillas launched an offensive November 20 in which hundreds of people have died.

Despite the renewed violence, said Mr. de Soto, "the prospects for a future direct encounter between the sides are good, and at any moment a new meeting could be held."

He suggested that the two sides might meet "without our announcing it," but he declined to comment on reports of possible secret meetings in Mexico between the government and the guerrrillas.

Mr. de Soto's visit comes a day after the Central American presidents denounced the guerrilla offensive and called on the rebels to establish a cease-fire immediately.

The presidents also called on the United Nations to investigate the origins of surface-to-air missiles used by the rebels. Mr. de Soto said such a request would have to be examined.

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#90352d6930 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (DEC. 18) - Members of the U.N. Security Council held informal discussions Tuesday on a compromise proposal for an international peace conference on the Middle East.

The draft sponsored by Finland calls for a declaration by the Security Council presidency calling for an international peace conference on the Mideast at an appropriate moment and with an adequate structure.

The presidential declaration, which unlike a Security Council resolution is not binding on U.N. member states, also would stipulate that the Arab-Israeli conflict and Iraq's invasion should be dealt with separately.

The draft resolution also would deplore the Israeli Government's decision to resume deportations of Palestinians from the occupied territories and asks Jerusalem to accept "de jure" the applicability of the Geneva Convention to the population of the territories.

The Finnish draft is an attempt to overcome U.S. opposition to a resolution proposed by Colombia, Cuba, Malaysia and Yemen that directly calls for an international peace conference on the Mideast.

But the non-aligned countries said they had made all the concessions they were going to make, and it was now the United States' turn, diplomats said.

The United States, hoping to avoid using a veto against such a resolution at a time when it needs Arab support in the Gulf, has so far succeeded in delaying a Security Council vote on a Mideast resolution.

The issue of a resolution on the Palestinian question has been under debate within the Security Council for nearly six weeks.

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#90352d6960 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) - The Mobil Oil Corp. Tuesday confirmed reports that it had begun talks with Vietnam to resume drilling operations in that country and said the discussions had the full approval of the U.S. Government.

Mobil pulled out of Vietnam shortly after communist forces reunified that country by force in 1975. Since then, the United States has maintained a crippling trade embargo against Vietnam.

"We can confirm that conversations have been held with Vietnam regarding an offshore block in the South China Sea ... currently operated by the Soviet-Vietnamese joint venture, Vietsovpetrol," said Mike Morgan, a Mobil spokesman.

The discussions, first reported Monday in the Asian edition of the Wall Street Journal, centered on Mobil participation in the Vietnamese-Soviet joint venture, which is pumping oil in the block explored years ago by the U.S. oil company.

Mobil, which is based in suburban Washington, was one of several U.S. oil companies which bought concessions from the now defunct South Vienamese Government in the 1970's. It was the only one to strike oil and to begin drilling.

"Mobil is cooperating and coordinating with the State Department and other federal departments to make sure that any company action relating to Vietnam is discussed with and supported by the U.S. Government," Mr. Morgan said.

The United States has said it is prepared to establish diplomatic ties with Hanoi and lift the trade embargo once a Cambodian peace settlement is fully implemented and once Hanoi provides a full accounting of U.S. servicemen missing in action during the Vietnam war.

Vietnamese officials believe Mobil participation in Vietsovpetrol could help boost production in the offshore block because of superior U.S. drilling technology and the tehcnical data devloped earlier by Mobil.

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#90352d7090 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (DEC. 18) - Jordan's Prime Minister Mudar Badran said Tuesday that Syria pledged to defend Jordan if it was attacked by Israel as part of a Gulf confrontation, parliamentary sources said.

They said that during a two-hour closed session of parliament, Badran told the house that Syria ''agreed to coordinate with Jordan in the case there was a war in the Gulf and Israel used the war to attack Jordan''.

Badran was briefing the house on the outcome of his Gulf crisis talks Monday in Damascus with President Hafez Assad.

Jordan fears that Israeli forces may try to cross Jordanian territory to engage with Iraqi forces if war broke out between Iraq and the U.S.-led multinational forces deployed in the Arabian Peninsula.

Badran said the Syrians said they considered ''any attack against Jordan as an attack against Syria'', and that they were prepared to ''coordinate to protect our common front against Israeli threats''.

Jordan is increasingly worried that Israel may use the cover of a Gulf war to overrun Jordan in order to mass deport Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza as a measure aimed at accommodating more Soviet and other Jews into Israel and the occupied territories.

Members of parliament said the prime minister gave a positive impression about his talks in Damascus despite differences between the two countries over the Gulf criis.

While Syria sent troops to join multinational forcess in the Gulf, Jordan strongly opposed a military option to resolve the crisis and called for withdrawal of foreign troops from the region.

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#90352d7130 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) - U.S. nuclear weapons could explode accidentally, a scientific report to Congress said here Tuesday.

The study recommended that more modern safety devices be fitted to the nuclear warheads. It found only one quarter were equipped with detonators made of low-sensitivity explosives.

''The majority of the weapons in the current stockpile will have to be modified to meet (demanding safety standards), unless they are retired,'' said the study, which was based on computer studies of what could go wrong with the weapons in a disaster.

''A major consequence of these results is a realisation that unintended nuclear detonations present a greater risk than previously estimated and believed for some of the warheads in the stockpile.''

Defence Department spokesman Pete Williams said of nuclear-weapon safety: ''We give it the highest priority.'' A senior Pentagon official is to study how to carry out the report's recommendations.

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#90352d7150 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (DEC. 18) - Citicorp, the largest banking group in the United States said Tuesday it was planning to lay off 8,000 employees in a major re-structuring which would result in a net loss of between 300 million dollars and 400 million dollars in the final quarter of 1990.

The group will also cut its dividend by nearly half and increase its reserves for dubious outstanding loans from nearly 90 million dollars in the third quarter to 340 million dollars.

The job-cuts totalling approximately 8,000 include 3,600 which have already been cut or will be cut this year. The latest lay-off figures are four times the number of lay-offs already planned and announced by Citicorp in late October.

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#90352d7170 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) - Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter warned Tuesday that the European Community (EC) risked major political and economic damage by refusing to agree at world trade talks to cut farm subsidies.

Mr. Yeutter told reporters he was not optimistic about the chances of succes of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) negotiations, which collapsed in Brussels December 7 after the EC refused to compromise on agriculture price supports and export subsidies.

"I'm pessimistic about the potential outcome (of the talks) so long as the community maintains its present intransigent stance," he said.

However, Mr. Yeutter said he found some signs that the EC may reassess its position, adding that he found the community to be "very embarrassed by what happened in Brussels."

The EC "will probably not concede that publicly, but the fact is they suffered a major geopolitical defeat in Brussels, with essentially all of the world leaving with dissatisfaction and disappointment in the EC position."

He predicted that the EC would run out of its allotted funds trying to maintain price supports and export subsidies.

"We'll be spending more money, too, of course, and we'll have to find the financial resources to do that, and a lot of other countries will, as well," he said in a telephone interview with broadcasters.

Declining to comment on what specific trade actions the United States might take if trade talks fail, Mr. Yeutter said, "I want them to be uncertain about what our response would be -- and a bit frightened by the potential."

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#90352d7260 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 18) - International refusal to budge on United Nations resolutions against Iraq is "counter-productive", Jordanian Crown Prince Hassan said in an interview with BBC television here Tuesday.

"To be prepared to have the whole region erupt and Iraq devastated simply because one will not discuss the U.N. resolutions is, I think, a tough and counter-productive position to take", he said.

The U.N. Security Council last month passed a resolution authorising the use of force against Iraq if it fails to withdraw from Kuwait by January 15.

The crown prince said he doubted there would be a negotiated settlement in the Gulf crisis. "At the moment, I think we are set for war", he said. "Rationally I can't see anything up front indicating anything else".

If proposed talks failed to take place between the United States and Iraq, "confrontation is invited and any incident in early January could trigger that".

Jordan, while officially backing U.N. sanctions against Iraq, has been among Arab countries showing most sympathy to Baghdad.

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#90352d7480 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) - President George Bush congratulated the European Community (EC) Tuesday for showing solidarity in refusing to meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tarek Aziz before he comes here for talks.

But Mr. Bush said there was still no agreement on a date for Secretary of State James Baker to meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad or for Mr. Aziz to meet with Mr. Bush in Washington.

Vice President Dan Quayle said, "unfortunately Iraq's attempt to manipulate

this process makes it far from certain these meetings will take place."

German Foreign Affairs Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said Tuesday the EC had rebuffed an offer by Iraq to engage in discussions independent from efforts to begin talks in Washington and Baghdad.

"It shows a real solidarity," Mr. Bush said during a news conference with regional U.S. reporters. He noted the Baghdad offer to the EC was a "temptation" and a test of its solidarity.

"I still want to see a peaceful solution" to the Gulf crisis, Mr. Bush said, adding, "I do not want war as an option." But he said there would not be "one single concession."

Meanwhile, the Defense Department reported Tuesday that some 10,000 U.S. troops dispatched last week have arrived in the Gulf, pushing total U.S. force strength in the region to 270,000 troops.

The Defense Department said that despite snow in Europe, the deployment was on target or ahead of schedule for the Gulf where the United States and its allies are facing an estimated 510,000 Iraqi troops.

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#90352d7560 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) - President George Bush said Tuesday an international peacekeeping force will be needed in the Gulf if and when the Gulf crisis is resolved.

In a televised press conference, the U.S. president said the peace-keeping force would stabilise the volatile region and check any build-up of nuclear weapons.

''There's a problem if U.S. forces stay on the ground,'' the U.S. president said, although a U.S. marine presence was another matter, and would continue to ply Gulf waters as it has since 1949.

Bush said the details of a peace-keeping force would be the subject of ''big discussions'' among the United States and its coalition partners at some time in the future.

Asked why U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar should not be talking with Iraq instead of Secretary of State James Baker, Bush said the U.N. chief felt a second mission would be futile.

Bush recounted that Perez, during a recent meeting in Paris, had said to him: ''If I felt we could make some progress within my mandate, then I would try again.''

The secretary-general met in Amman with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in August, but was unable to convince the country to let go of Kuwait or release foreign hostages.

''It isn't that people haven't tried (to make talks work),'' Bush said. ''Saddam Hussein is still referring to a nation that is a member of the Arab League, a nation that is a member of the United Nations, as the '19th Province'.''

The U.S. president said he had ''no news'' to relay on any developments in efforts to set a date with Iraq for Aziz to come to Washington and for Baker to fly to Baghdad.

Asked if Baker might be more successful in his talks with Saddam if the two countries ever agree on dates for bilateral talks, Bush said, ''I'm not sure he will.''

''But if he can convince Saddam Hussein of the truth,'' he said, ''it will be worth the trip.''

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#90352d7650 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (DEC. 18) - Visiting Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa discussed the Gulf crisis here late Tuesday with United Arab Emirates (Uae) President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahyan.

Sharaa whose country has been at loggerheads with Iraq for years, told reporters: ''A solution has to come from Baghdad.'' He stressed there would be no other solution except ''an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait''.

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#90352d7740 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISTANBUL (DEC. 18) - A former official of Turkey's National Intelligence Organisation (Mit) was killed in front of a shop he owned here Tuesday, police said, and a communist group claimed responsibility.

Firdi Tamir, 53, the deputy chief interrogator at the Mit's Istanbul office until 1983, was reportedly killed by three gunmen using guns fitted with silencers.

An anonymous phone call put to a daily newspaper claimed the murder was carried out by the Turkish Workers' and Peasants' Liberation Army Tikko, the military wing of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party.

The victim was the second high-ranking Mit official killed this year. In

September, Hiram Abas, the chief executive of the organisation, was shot dead in his car.

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#90352d7770 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (DEC. 18) - President-elect Lech Walesa has proposed enrolling more police to fight a surge in crime in Poland by, the PAP news agency said Tuesday.

Meeting a delegation headed by national police chief Leszek Lamparski in the northern city of Gdansk, Mr. Walesa urged "young people to join the police to keep people safer, particularly in the cities".

Because of increased crime and delinquency, police patrols in the streets should be reinforced by sending in military police officers and even some conscripts, he said.

Crime jumped 15.2 per cent from 1988 to 1989 nationwide, while the number of police declined. Warsaw is short of 3,000 police, almost one-third of its full strength.

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#90352d7810 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) - A group of Middle East analysts cautioned here Tuesday that an all-out war to evict Iraqi forces from Kuwait could demolish what little is left of the tiny emirate.

Anthony Cordesman, a Middle East analyst who specialises in military questions said a worst-case scenario would be house-to-house battles in downtown Kuwait City.

Civilians would bear the brunt of the casualties, he said, and the attackers could suffer 7,000 to 10,000 wounded, 10 percent of them fatalities.

Cordesman said it would take a special fire-fighter team two weeks to put out an oil-field fire, and there are only two such teams in the world. Iraq has threatened to attack and destroy oil fields in the event of war, and Kuwait has 1,000 oil wells.

But Cordesman, in a conference sponsored by the Philadelphia-based Foreign Policy Research Institute, dismissed fears of Iraqi ballistic missiles, saying they were inaccurate and carried only a small payload.

Another Middle East expert, Andrew Whitely of the human rights group Middle East Watch, said the situation in Kuwait has already been ''a catastrophe'' in human terms.

Kuwait's 600,000 to 700,000 population has dropped to 200,000 since the August invasion, he said. Infant mortality has doubled, and 3,000 Kuwaitis are still in Iraqi detention, many of them tortured.

Whitely said there were indications that Iraq has tried to curb the brutality of its troops, but in one account, 24 people were shot because they refused to hang portraits of Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein in their places of work.

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#90352d7850 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA (DEC. 18) - A U.S.-Soviet agreement has been reached to build a golf course, followed by a luxury hotel and a sports park in a Moscow suburb, Soviet officials said Tuesday.

Officials of the Soviet agency that manages services for foreigners in Moscow and representatives of American International Golf Resorts signed an agreement under which the U.S. firm would build and manage the resort, which should be opened in 1992.

The 115 hectare (285 acre) golf course will be finished next year, the officials said.

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#90352d7910 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) - U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and General Colin Powell, chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, left Tuesday for Saudi Arabia, where they were to meet with U.S. military commanders and Saudi officials.

A Pentagon official said Mr. Cheney and Gen. Powell would arrive in Riyadh Wednesday for two days of strategy meetings with General Norman Schwarzkopf, commander of U.S. forces in the region.

They may also meet with Saudi King Fahd, then spend two days with troops on the ground before returning to Washington, the official said.

He said Mr. Cheney and Gen. Powell wanted to make sure the 270,000 U.S. troops in the Gulf were well-equipped in case President George Bush ordered an attack on Iraq before the January 15 deadline for withdrawing from Kuwait.

"It's certainly not decision time or anything like that but they want to look to the future and see first hand what's in place," the official said, noting that it is the first trip to the region that Mr. Cheney and Gen. Powell made together.

"It's the first time the major players have all been able to sit down

face-to-face in some time," the official said.

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#90352d8010 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) - Twenty more cargo ships will be headed to the Gulf to support Operation Desert Shield, the U.S. Maritime Administration announced Tuesday.

The additions were in response to a request from the Navy's Military Sealift Command and will bring to 67 the number of ships from the Ready Reserve Force fleet which have been called up.

Activating the ships has required 2,340 merchant marines, but just one of the first 40 ships to be activated sailed with less than a full crew, the agency said.

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#90352d8340 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) - President George Bush Tuesday said efforts to arrange talks with Baghdad were deadlocked and he lauded international support for the January 15 deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

"We're coming down toward this U.N.-mandated deadline. I still want a peaceful solution to this question. I do not want war as an option. I want peace as an option," Mr. Bush told reporters.

He said talk of war "will probably intensify" as the deadline approaches, adding, "I want to still talk about (hope for) a peaceful solution to this question and that means making (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein understand what's at stake."

But no date has yet been set for Secretary of State James Baker to meet with Mr. Hussein in Baghdad or for Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz to meet with Mr. Bush in Washington, the president said.

Mr. Aziz was originally to meet with Mr. Bush on Monday but the talks were cancelled until an acceptable date for Mr. Baker to go to Baghdad could be arranged.

Washington had proposed 15 dates between December 20 and January 3 but refused Iraq's proposed January 12 meeting for Mr. Baker, arguing there would not be enough time for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait by the January 15 deadline.

Vice Presdient Dan Quayle said, "unfortunately Iraq's attempt to manipulate this process makes it far from certain these meetings will take place."

But Mr. Bush said he would "keep trying to find an answer" to the deadlock but he did not repeat that a meeting between Mr. Baker and Mr. Hussein should take place before January 3.

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#90352d8370 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHNGTON, (DEC 18) - The Interstate Commerce Commission Tuesday banned smoking on all regularly scheduled interstate bus routes within the United States.

The ban will go into effect as soon as it can be published in the Federal Register, ICC spokesman A. Dennis Watson said.

Exceptions will be made on chartered buses on which the chartering group agrees to smoke, he said.

"Smokers can refrain from smoking for several hours and light up at bus stops, but non-smokers cannot similarly refrain from breathing," said John Banzhaf, executive director of Action on Smoking and Health, which pushed the regulations.

Federal regulations already ban smoking on most domestic airline flights.

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#90352d8390 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

THE HAGUE (DEC. 19) - The Dutch Government announced late Tuesday that it would supply 20.5 million dollars worth of eight-inch grenades to the United States and Britain as a contribution to the international military effort in the Gulf.

Foreign Minister Hans van den Broek and Defense Minister Relus ter Beek made the offer in a letter to the lower house of parliament.

The two ministers said they had also offered, for sale this time, a further quantity of unspecified munitions valued at between 58.8 and 88.2 million dollars.

The Netherlands is also to step up its naval presence in the Gulf region, placing at the disposal of the United States a rescue and firefighting vessel. This followed a request by Washington for Dutch knowhow in this field.

The Dutch company Smit-Tak, world renowned for sea rescues, reached an agreement with the U.S. Navy for supplying the ship, and the Dutch authorities said they would pay some 900,000 dollars for the mission.

The two ministers said the Dutch contribution to the international military

effort against Iraq in the Gulf region included the following:

-- Two frigates that have been taking part in the naval blockade of Iraq since August. Cost for the defense ministry in 1990: 35.3 million dollars.

-- Delivery to Turkey of 50,000 protective suits against chemical warfare. Cost: 23.5 million dollars.

-- The Netherlands has offered facilities including up to 700 men to load huge quantities of military material in Rotterdam, including 1,000 M1A1 tanks, headed for the Gulf region.

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#90352d8400 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON, (DEC 19) - New Zealand Wednesday advised dependants of its citizens living in Bahrain, Qatar, and the eastern province and southern parts of Saudi Arabia to leave before the January 15 U.N. deadline.

Foreign Minister Don McKinnon said in a statement it was "common sense advice" because of the possibility of hostilities breaking out after the deadline given Iraq to pull out of Kuwait.

Mr. McKinnon said the advice was not meant to suggest the situation in the Gulf would necessarily worsen.

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#90352d8420 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 19) - Japan and the United States were still wide apart on relaxing foreign access to Japan's legal market, Japanese officials said Wednesday.

During two days of working-level negotiations which ended here Tuesday, Japan rejected a U.S. request that American and other foreign legal firms based here be allowed to hire Japanese attorneys, they said.

Japan was also unwilling to yield on the question of allowing joint partnerships with foreigners in domestic law firms.

Japan allowed foreign lawyers to start working here in April 1987 but they are currently confined to matters pertaining to their national laws.

The Tokyo meeting followed similar bilateral talks held in Washington in October.

The U.S. side expressed the hope that negotiations would resume in early January but the Japanese side has not yet reached a decision on the matter, the

officials said.

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#90352d8480 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SYDNEY (DEC. 19) - Police briefly detained seven Greenpeace campaigners who draped a huge pair of inflatable sunglasses on Sydney Opera House Wednesday as a warning about ozone depletion.

Greenpeace spokeswoman Michelle Grosvenor said that "our purpose was to draw attention to the increase in eye disease caused by the depletion of the ozone layer."

Ms. Grosvenor said that seven experienced mountaineers scaled the Opera House at sunrise and hung a pair of 70-foot (21.5 metres) sunglasses across the side which faces Sydney harbour.

The sunglasses carried the slogan "Ozone depletion: stop it or we'll go blind." They were hung from the largest of the building's distinctive "sails" in full view of commuters arriving by early morning ferry.

The sunglasses remained in place for about an hour "before the police pulled the plug on our portable generator and they deflated," Ms. Grosvenor said.

The seven activists, who included Greg Mortimer, the first Australian to climb Mt Everest, were later released without being charged.

Citing statistics compiled by the United Nations Environment Programme, Ms. Grosvenor said: "for every one percent loss in ozone levels, 100,000 people worldwide will go blind."

People lost their sight because of increased ultra-violet radiation, she explained, adding that children were particularly at risk.

The ozone layer, which acts as a shield against ultra-violet radiation, began to deteriorate several years ago.

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#90352d8500 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RABAT (DEC. 19) - Morocco's opposition parties late Tuesday refused to participate in a government-appointed commission to investigate last week's riots in Fez and elsewhere, saying the panel was bound to whitewash the government's actions.

The commission, the heads of the four opposition parties claimed in a joint statement, "will simply become a channel through which the government will send what it wants."

Instead, they called for a panel "entirely independent from the government."

Prime Minister Azzedine Laraki had announced that the panel would be led by the supreme court chief judge and made up of one member from each political party as well as senior government officials.

In Rabat, 34 persons were charged Monday with various crimes in connection with the riots Saturday and Sunday that accompanied a general strike called to protest eroding living standards in the North African kingdom.

Another 52 persons arrested in Fez, the former royal capital where the most violent riots occurred, were scheduled to be charged Wednesday.

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#90352d8540 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (DEC. 19) - With the ink hardly dry on president Hussain Mohammad Ershad's resignation, Bangladesh this week stopped celebrating his fall and threw itself into campaigning for the March 2 elections.

Loudspeakers began blasting Dhaka streets Monday with the political slogans of the bitterly antagonistic parties running for dominance of the 300-member parliament.

But behind the scenes, politicians who buried their differences to oust Mr. Ershad worried whether the heat of campaigning would shatter the current widespread sentiment of cooperation.

Some smaller political parties have sounded the alarm and come out against holding the polls at all, predicting that campaign violence could lose all that has been gained.

One left-wing party, the small Freedom Party and the more formidable fundamentalist Jamaqat-I-Islami have all called for elections to be put off, saying national consensus, not a free-for-all election fight, is what the country needs now

The political brains behind the leading political alliances disagree, saying the violence in recent polls was instigated by the Ershad government.

But even those most optimistic about the likelihood of Mr. Ershad's ouster being translated into the democracy that has eluded Bangladesh since independence in 1971 are taking no chances.

"We are thinking of forming multi-party citizens committees" to help ensure that polling goes smoothly, said Kamal Hussain, an Awami League leader and a one-time presidential candidate who served prominantly on the liaison committee

that kept warring opposition parties united in the oust-Ershad movement.

The 53-year-old Oxford trained lawyer who helped draft Bangladesh's first conmstitution in 1972 said the the country's 20,000 lawyers could play a key role in such committees.

He also said the liaison committee showed no sign of disintegrating and that it was operating on the same inter-party code of conduct which was successful in molding the oust-Ershad movement.

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#90352d8630 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (DEC. 19) - Taiwan's exports to Southeast Asia in the first 11 months of this year reached 13.95 billion dollars, second only to its exports to the U.S. market, the Board of Foreign Trade said Wednesday.

Exports grew 22.2 per cent compared with 1989, making Southeast Asia Taiwan's fastest growing export market, the Boft said.

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#90352d8790 12/18/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 19) - Japan's mammoth trading company Mitsui and Co. Ltd. said Wednesday it and Unisys Corp., the third-largest U.S. computer maker, have received an order for a large mainframe computer and related software from the Czech central bank.

The two companies are to sign the 6.6-million-dollar contract for the machine with the Czech bank, Statni Banaka, in Prague Wednesday, Mitsui officials said.

It will be the first time a western general purpose computer has been sold to an Eastern bloc central bank, as the large computers have been under heavy restrictions from the Paris-based Coordinating Committee for Export Controls (COCOM).

Under the contract, Mitsui is to deliver the Unisys A-16 system to the Czech central bank to be used for modernizing the clearance system for the central and city banks.

Mitsui and Unisys have a joint venture in Japan, and Mitsui acquired about five per cent of the shares of Unisys' U.S. parent in June 1990.

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#90352e0034 12/18/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

LONDON (DEC. 18) EFE - British and Albanian representatives Tuesday opened a two-day session of talks aimed at restoring diplomatic relations between the

two countries.

The meetings, taking place at the British and Albanian missions in Geneva, were first requested by Albania, according to British Foreign Office sources.

Britain is the only western European nation not to have diplomatic relations with Albania.

The British Embassy was closed in 1939 when Italy invaded and Albania was united with the Italian crown.

The major stumbling block to the restoration of ties has been the "Corfu Channel" case.

In 1946, two Royal Navy warships were sunk by mines in the straits between Albania and the Greek island of Corfu.

Although Albania has always denied responsibility, the International Court in the Hague found in Britain's favour and ordered compensation of more than dlrs 1.5 million.

Albania has always refused to pay this amount, claiming Britain still holds gold valued at a similar amount seized by the Nazis at the end of World War II.

The impoverished Baltic state has seen violent demonstrations during the past year, and is seeking to end its international isolation as part of its moves towards democracy.

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#90352f1842 12/18/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA (DEC. 18) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 700; slaughter steers and heifers steady; slaughter classes steers choice No 2- 4 1100-1350 lbs. 81.50-83.00, load near 1200 lbs. exotics with weighing conditions favorable to buying side 83.75, select 1000-1125 lbs. 78.00- 81.00; holsteins select and choice No 2-3 1150- 1350 lbs. 69.50-72.00; heifers choice No 2-4 950-1200 lbs. 81.50-82.50, load 83.25, select 925- 1100 lbs. 77.50-81.00.

Hogs 1,600; butchers fully 50 lower, No 1-3 220-250 lbs. 50.00-50.50, many 50.00, No 2-3 250-270 lbs. 49.50-50.00, 270-290 lbs. 48.00-49. 00; sows 20 percent, 1.00 to fully 1.50 higher, No 1-3 350-500 lbs. 39.50-41.00, price about 39. 50 limited to over 450 lbs., No 2-3 500 650 lbs. 45.00-46.00.

Sheep 50, not enough offered to establish a market.

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#90352h0069 12/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 18) XINHUA - CHINA HAS SUCCESSFULLY CONTROLLED THE TREND TOWARD INCREASING FOREST CONSUMPTION IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS, AND THIS YEAR'S NEW GROWTH IS EXPECTED TO MATCH THE ANNUAL CONSUMPTION.

ACCORDING TO THE MINISTRY OF FORESTRY, CHINA CONSUMED A TOTAL OF 300 MILLION CU M OF TIMBER IN 1989, A DROP OF 15.2 PERCENT COMPARED TO 1985, OR 4.3 PERCENT ANNUALLY OVER THE PAST FOUR YEARS.

AN OFFICIAL FROM THE MINISTRY ATTRIBUTED THIS SUCCESS TO THE COUNTRY'S EFFORTS TO CONTROL EXCESSIVE CONSUMPTION OF FOREST RESOURCES, THE FALLING DEMAND FOR TIMBER AND A SLOWDOWN IN THE DEMAND FOR NEW HOUSING ON THE PART OF FARMERS.

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#90352h0072 12/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (DEC. 18) XINHUA - THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT IS OPTIMISTIC THAT THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC GROWTH WILL REACH AT LEAST FIVE PERCENT NEXT YEAR EVEN THOUGH ECONOMIC RECESSION IS PREDICTED TO TAKE PLACE IN A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES, INDONESIAN MINISTER OF FINANCE J.B. SUMARLIN SAID IN JAKARTA MONDAY.

MEANWHILE, CHAIRMAN OF THE INDONESIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (KADIN) SOTION ARDJANGGI SAID ON A SEPARATE OCCASION THAT BUSINESSES HOPE THAT THE GOVERNMENT WILL SLACKEN ITS TIGHT MONETARY POLICY NEXT YEAR.

ACCORDING TO THE INDONESIA TIMES TODAY, SUMARLIN AND ARDJANGGI WERE ANSWERING QUESTIONS ON THE PROSPECT AND PERSPECTIVE OF INDONESIA'S ECONOMY IN THE COMING YEAR.

"THE ECONOMIC PROSPECT IN 1991 IS LIKELY OVERSHADOWED BY ECONOMIC RECESSION EVERYWHERE (AND) THAT COULD AFFECT THE NATIONAL ECONOMY," SAID THE FINANCE MINISTER.

HE SAID THAT AS A RESULT, THE BANKING GROWTH RATE IN THE COUNTRY WILL DECLINE SLIGHTLY. THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT THEREFORE IS CALLING ON THE BANKING SECTOR TO MAKE PREPARATIONS IN FACING THIS POSSIBILITY, HE ADDED.

REFERRING TO THE GOVERNMENT'S EFFORT TO PREVENT THE DEVALUATION OF THE RUPIAH IN 1991, THE MINISTER SAID HE WILL ALWAYS STUDY THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE RUPIAH AND WILL ADJUST IT TO THE POSITION OF THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVES.

HE SAID THE HEAVY JOB THAT THE GOVERNMENT WILL FACE IN THE COMING YEAR IS TO CURB THE INFLATION RATE. TO DO THIS, HE SAID, THE GOVERNMENT HAS SINCE APRIL THIS YEAR INTRODUCED A TIGHT MONETARY POLICY WHICH IS TEMPORARY IN NATURE BUT COULD BE EXTENDED IF CONSIDERED NECESSARY.

ARDJANGGI SAID INDONESIAN BUSINESSMEN UNDERSTAND THE OBJECTIVE OF THE TIGHT

MONEY POLICY, BUT IF EXTENDED, IT IS FEARED THAT IT WOULD AFFECT THE ECONOMIC GROWTH. THEY HOPE THE GOVERNMENT WILL SLACKEN ITS TIGHT MONETARY POLICY, HE SAID, ADDING THAT BECAUSE THEY (THE BUSINESSMEN) PREDICT A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES WILL HAVE THEIR ECONOMIES RECOVERED IN THE COMING YEAR.

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#90352h0080 12/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BRASILIA (DEC. 18) XINHUA - BRAZIL'S TRADE SURPLUS TOTALLED 406 MILLION DOLLARS IN NOVEMBER AS EXPORTS EARNINGS AMOUNTED TO 2,652 MILLION DOLLARS AND IMPORTS REACHED 2,246 MILLION DOLLARS, THE ECONOMY MINISTRY FOREIGN TRADE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY.

WITH THIS RESULT, BRAZIL'S ACCUMULATED TRADE SURPLUS FOR THE JANUARY-NOVEMBER PERIOD TOTALLED 9.7 BILLION DOLLARS, SIGNIFICANTLY LESS THAN THE SURPLUS REGISTERED LAST YEAR. THE GOVERNMENT AIMS TO REACH A TRADE SURPLUS OF MORE THAN 10 BILLION DOLLARS THIS YEAR.

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#90352h0085 12/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW YORK (DEC. 18) XINHUA - THE U.S. TOBACCO INDUSTRY CLOSED THE 1990 FISCAL YEAR ON SEPTMEBER 30 WITH A RECORD TRADE SURPLUS OF OVER 5 BILLION DOLLARS, THE U.S. TOBACCO MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCED MONDAY.

THIS REPRESENTS AN INCREASE OF 1.1 BILLION DOLLARS, OR 29.4 PERCENT, OVER THE PREVIOUS RECORD OF 3.9 BILLION DOLLARS SET IN FISCAL YEAR 1989 AND 40.7 PERCENT GREATER THAN THE INDUSTRY'S SURPLUS FOR 1988.

THE TOBACCO TRADE SURPLUS THIS YEAR ACCOUNTED FOR 28.3 PERCENT OF THE U.S. OVERALL AGRICULTURAL TRADE SURPLUS OF 17.7 BILLION DOLLARS.

THE 1990 FISCAL YEAR SURPLUS WAS LED BY 4.5 BILLION DOLLARS OF SURPLUS IN THE EXPORT OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS, THE ASSOCIATION SAID.

MEANWHILE, THE SURPLUS OF TRADE IN LEAF TOBACCO INCREASED TO 660 MILLION DOLLARS. TOTAL LEAF EXPORTS ROSE 7.8 PERCENT TO 1.4 BILLION DOLLARS.

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#90352h0086 12/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 18) XINHUA - INDIA'S FOREIGN DEBT SHOT UP TO 62.509 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN 1989 FROM 57.254 BILLION DOLLARS IN 1988, ACCORDING TO "WORLD DEBT TABLES 1990-91" RELEASED BY THE WORLD BANK AND AVAILABLE HERE TODAY.

THE 62.509 BILLION DEBT COMPRISES LONG TERM DEBT OF 56.253 BILLION DOLLARS, SHORT TERM DEBT 4.689 BILLION DOLLARS AND USE OF INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND CREDIT 1.566 BILLION DOLLARS.

(ACCORDING TO OECD EXTERNAL DEBT TABLES ISSUED EARLIER, INDIA'S EXTERNAL DEBT AND LIABILITIES OUTSTANDING AT THE END OF 1989 STOOD AT 69.695 BILLION DOLLARS AGAINST 68.345 BILLION DOLLARS AT THE END OF 1988.)

THE WORLD BANK FIGURES SHOW THAT WHILE INTEREST PAYMENTS ON INDIA'S FOREIGN DEBT ACCOUNTED FOR 3.031 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN 1988, FOR 1989 THEY ABSORBED 3.434 BILLION DOLLARS.

INDIA'S DEBT SERVICE RATIO (IN RELATION TO EXPORT OF GOODS AND SERVICES) WENT DOWN IN 1989 TO 26.3 PERCENT AGAINST 28.9 PERCENT IN 1988. IN 1987, THE RATIO WAS 29 PERCENT AND IN 1986, IT WAS 31.6 PERCENT, ACCORDING TO THE BANK.

INDIA'S EXPORT OF GOODS AND SERVICES WENT UP IN 1989 TO 24.191 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS AS AGAINST 21.431 BILLION DOLLARS IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR, BUT IN THE SAME PERIOD IMPORTS ALSO WENT UP FROM 30.475 BILLION TO 32.229 BILLION DOLLARS THE BANK SAID.

INDIA'S GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT, THE SUM TOTAL OF GOODS AND SERVICES PRODUCED IN THE NATION, SHRANK FROM 267.208 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN 1988 TO 262.089 BILLION DOLLARS IN 1989 (BASED ON THE RATE OF ONE DOLLAR EQUALS TO 18.05 RUPEES), ACCORDING TO THE BANK.

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#90352h0090 12/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (DEC. 18) XINHUA - IRANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER ALI AKBAR VELAYATI LEFT ABU DHABI OF THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (UAE) TODAY, AFTER A FOUR-NATION GULF TOUR FOR TALKS ON THE GULF CRISIS, REPORTS FROM THE UAE CAPITAL SAID.

THE IRANIAN MINISTER CONVEYED MESSAGES FROM IRAN'S PRESIDENT HASHEMI RAFSANJANI TO THE LEADERS OF QATAR, OMAN, BAHRAIN AND THE UAE, DEALING WITH THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE GULF CRISIS, THE CURRENT EFFORTS TO END IRAQ'S OCCUPATION OF KUWAIT, AND WAYS AND MEANS TO ENSURE SECURITY AND STABILITY IN THE REGION.

IRAN HAD CONDEMNED THE IRAQI INVASION AND CALLED FOR AN UNCONDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL OF IRAQ FROM KUWAIT, WHILE, AT THE SAME TIME, IT OPPOSED THE MASSING OF U.S.-DOMINANT MULTINATIONAL MILITARY FORCE IN THE GULF REGION, AND SUPPORTED A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF THE GULF CRISIS.

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#90352h0092 12/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 18) XINHUA - THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY PASSED YESTERDAY A DIRECTIVE TO BAR ITS BANKS AND FINANCIAL UNITS FROM PROFITING BY "LAUNDERING" MONEY OF DRUG TRAFFICING.

THE DIRECTIVE STIPULATES THAT BANKS AND FINANCIAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THE EC MEMBER COUNTRIES MUST ANNOUNCE THEIR GOVERNMENTS WHEN THEY MEET DOUBTFUL TRADE. MOREOVER, BANKS HAVE DUTIES TO CHECK THEIR IDENTITIES IF THE SAVING ACCOUNT OF SHORT-TERM DEPOSITORS INCREASES 15,000 ECUS (ABOUT 20,000 DOLLARS) AT A TIME.

AS AN APPENDIX OF THE DIRECTIVE, THE EC 12 FINANCE MINISTERS MADE A JOINT STATEMENT THAT "LAUNDERING" MONEY OF DRUG DEALING IS ILLGAL.

THE EC ESTIMATES THAT EC BANKS AND FINANCIAL ORGANIZATIONS CAN RECIEVE 16 BILLION DOLLARS EVERY YEAR FROM "LAUNDERING" MONEY. ALL INDUSTRIALISED COUNTRIES CAN MAKE A PROFIT OF 120 BILLION DOLLARS FROM " LAUNDERING" EACH YEAR.

AT PRESENT, ONLY FRANCE, LUXEMBOURG AND BRITAIN OUT OF THE EC 12 COUNTRIES HAVE THE LAWS TO BAN BANKS "LAUNDERING" MONEY.

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#90352h0093 12/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 12) XINHUA - BRITAIN'S PRINCE CHARLES IS TO VISIT BRITISH MILITARY UNITS IN SAUDI ARABIA THIS WEEKEND, BUCKINGHAM PALACE ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY.

FOR SECURITY REASONS HIS PRECISE MOVEMENTS WILL NOT BE MADE PUBLIC IN ADVANCE, A PALACE SPOKESMAN SAID.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE ALSO SAID PRINCESS DIANA WOULD TRAVEL TO GERMANY TOMORROW TO VISIT FAMILIES OF ARMY AND ROYAL AIR FORCE SERVICEMEN DEPLOYED IN THE GULF, WHO ARE LIVING ON BASES IN GERMANY.

OTHER MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL FAMILY HAVE ALSO VISITED TROOP BASES IN GERMANY SINCE THE GULF CRISIS BEGAN.

BRITAIN HAS 16,000 TROOPS DEPLOYED IN THE GULF AS PART OF A U.S.-LED BUILDUP CURRENTLY IN RESPONSE TO IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

LAST MONTH, THE GOVERNMENT DECIDED TO SEND AN EXTRA 14,000 TROOPS TO BOLSTER BRITISH FORCES IN THE GULF.

THE DEPLOYMENT OF THE FOURTH ARMORED BRIGADE -- AN EXTRA CHALLENGER TANK REGIMENT, TWO ARMORED INFANTRY BATTALIONS, PLUS RECONNAISSANCE, ARTILLERY AND OTHER SUPPORT -- WILL BRING TO MORE THAN 30,000 THE NUMBER OF BRITISH MILITARY PERSONNEL IN THE GULF.

EARLIER THIS WEEK, MAJOR GENERAL RUPERT SMITH, THE BRITISH COMMANDING OFFICE IN THE GULF, SAID THAT THE ADDITIONAL TROOPS AND ARMOR WOULD BEGIN ARRIVING IN DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA, THIS WEEK AND BE IN PLACE JUST AFTER CHRISTMAS.

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#90352h0115 12/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (DEC. 18) XINHUA - TANZANIA TODAY CRI- TICIZED THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY (EEC) FOR ITS DECISION TO LIFT THE BAN ON NEW INVESTMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA.

FOREIGN MINISTER AHMED HASSAN DIRIS SAID THE EEC DECISION HAS BEEN MADE WHEN APARTHEID STILL REMAINS INTACT IN SOUTH AFRICA.

"IT IS AN ATTEMPT TO GIVE THE RACIST REGIME A SEMBLANCE OF ACCEPTABILITY WHICH IT DOES NOT DESERVE AT THE MOMENT," MR. DIRIA SAID IN A FAREWELL ADDRESS TO THE ZIMBABWEAN HIGH COMMI- SSIONER TO TANZANIA.

THE FOREIGN MINISTER NOTED THAT THE SOUTH AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS ARE THE ONLY CREDIBLE FORCE THAT COULD TELL THE WORLD WHEN THE TIME IS RIPE FOR A CHANGE IN THE ATTI- TUDE AGAINST THE RACIST REGIME IN SOUTH AFRICA.

HE CALLED ON THE FRONTLINE STATES AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE TO CONTINUE THEIR SUPPORT TO THE LIBERA- TION MOVEMENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA AND MAINTAIN ECONOMIC SANCTIONS AGAINST PRETORIA.

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#90352h0121 12/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (DEC. 18) XINHUA - SOVIET WORKERS IN IRAQ CAN LEAVE WHENEVER THEY WANT EVEN IF THEIR CONTRACTS HAVE NOT EXPIRED, AN IRAQI OFFICIAL SAID IN BAGHDAD TODAY.

RADIO BAGHDAD QUOTED HUSSEIN KAMAL, IRAQ'S MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND MILITARY INDUSTRIALIZATION, AS GIVING THE ASSURANCES TO MLADIMIR MORDVINOV, A VISITING DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE SOVIET MINISTRY OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS.

"IRAQ ALLOWS THE EXPERTS WORKING IN THE COUNTRY TO LEAVE IF THEY SO WISH IRRESPECTIVE OF THE EXPIRY DATE OF THEIR CONTRACTS," KAMAL SAID.

MORDVINOV TRAVELED TO BAGHDAD TO WORK OUT THE DETAILS OF PROBLEMS OVER THE CONTRACT ISSUE THAT ONE SOVIET DIPLOMAT ACCUSED IRAQ OF MAKING USE TO DELAY THE DEPARTURE OF 2,565 SOVIET WORKERS STILL IN IRAQ.

IRAQ'S RULING REVOLUTIONARY COMMAND COUNCIL DECIDED ON DECEMBER 4 THAT ALL THE SOVIET WORKERS IN IRAQ COULD LEAVE. BUT IT DEMANDED THAT MOSCOW COMPENSATE IRAQ FOR ENDING THEIR WORK CONTRACTS.

MOSCOW SAID THERE WERE STILL 3,316 SOVIETS IN IRAQ ON DECEMBER 4 WHEN IRAQ'S REVOLUTIONARY COMMAND COUNCIL MADE ITS DECISION. IT SAID THAT 751

SOVIETS HAD LEFT IRAQ ON FOUR PLANE FLIGHTS SINCE THEN.

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#90352h0122 12/18/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 18) XINHUA - BRITAIN'S AMBASSADOR TO IRAQ HAROLD WALKER SAID TODAY THAT A PARTIAL WITHDRAWAL BY IRAQ FROM KUWAIT IS VERY MUCH ON THE CARDS.

WALKER, WHO RETURNED TO LONDON LAST THURSDAY, TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE, IRAQI PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN WAS A CLEVER LEADER AND WOULD NOT WAIT FOR THE U.N. DEADLINE TO EXPIRE, BUT WOULD INITIATE MOVES.

THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL ADOPTED A RESOLUTION SETTING THE JANUARY 15 DEADLINE FOR IRAQ TO PULL OUT OF KUWAIT, WHICH IT INVADED ON AUGUST 2.

"ONE THING I FEEL STRONGLY IS THAT HE (PRESIDENT HUSSEIN) WILL NOT JUST WAIT AND SEE WHAT THE SUPPORTERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS WILL DO," WALKER SAID.

HE SAID PRESIDENT HUSSEIN WILL OFFER "MOVES OF HIS OWN" AND A PARTIAL WITHDRAWAL IS "ONE OF THE POSSIBILITIES."

WALKER'S REMARKS FALL IN LINE WITH MONDAY'S WARNING BY U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER THAT PRESIDENT HUSSEIN MIGHT ORDER SOME OF HIS TROOPS TO WITHDRAW FROM KUWAIT TO AVERT WAR AND TO TRY TO SPLIT THE WESTERN GULF ALLIANCE.

BRITAIN, WHICH COMMITTED FIGHT AIRCRAFT, WARSHIPS, TANKS AND NEARLY 30,000 TROOPS TO THE U.S.-LED MULTI-NATIONAL FORCE IN THE GULF, IS ADAMENT THAT IRAQ WITHDRAW IMMEDIATELY, COMPLETELY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WITH THE LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT OF KUWAIT RESTORED.

MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN OFFICE DOUGLAS HOGG, WHO ACCOMPANIED WALKER AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE, SAID PARTIAL WITHDRAWAL IS NOT AN ANSWER TO THE CRISIS.

"IF HE DOESN'T COMPLY FULLY BY JANUARY 15, HE IS CLEARLY AT RISK OF BEING DRIVEN OUT BY FORCE AND THIS MEANS THE POSSIBILITY OF WAR," HOGG SAID.

WALKER, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE FOREIGN OFFICE ON THE GULF CRISIS, WILL RETURN TO BAGHDAD ON DECEMBER 28.

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#90352k0022 12/18/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NAGOYA (DEC. 18) KYODO - UNY CO., A MAJOR CHAIN STORE OPERATOR, SAID TUESDAY IT WILL EXPAND INTO THE ENTERTAINMENT BUSINESS THROUGH INVESTMENT IN A U.S. TELEVISION PROGRAM DISTRIBUTOR.

THE NAGOYA-BASED COMPANY SAID ITS SUBSIDIARY, ECD CORPORATION, WILL INVEST 17 MILLION DOLLARS IN ALL-AMERICAN TELEVISION CO. NEXT JANUARY TO GET INTO THE

AUDIO-VISUAL AND RELATED BUSINESS.

ALL-AMERICAN TELEVISION WILL MERGE WITH U.S. MUSIC MAKER SCOTTI BROTHERS ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRIES INC. THE SAME MONTH TO FORM ALL-AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS CO., A COMPREHENSIVE AUDIO-VISUAL SOFTWARE DISTRIBUTOR.

WHEN THE NEW FIRM IS FORMED, ECD'S EQUITY IN ALL-AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS WILL AMOUNT TO ABOUT 35 PERCENT.

UNY SAID IT WILL SEND TWO MEMBERS TO THE NEW FIRM'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS BUT HAS NO PLAN TO ACQUIRE THE MANAGEMENT RIGHTS.

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TOKYO (DEC. 18) KYODO - SHOZO HOTTA, WHO SERVED AS A TOP EXECUTIVE OF SUMITOMO BANK FOR A QUARTER OF A CENTURY, DIED OF PNEUMONIA AT A TOKYO HOSPITAL TUESDAY. HE WAS 91.

HOTTA DIED AT THE NATIONAL MEDICAL CENTER IN TOKYO TUESDAY AFTERNOON. A NATIVE OF NAGOYA, HOTTA JOINED SUMITOMO BANK IN 1926 AFTER GRADUATING FROM KYOTO UNIVERSITY.

HE SERVED AS THE BANK'S CHAIRMAN FROM 1952 TO 1971, HELPING BOOST THE INSTITUTION TO JAPAN'S MOST PROFITABLE COMMERCIAL BANK.

HOTTA MEDIATED IN A NUMBER OF LARGE-SCALE CORPORATE MERGERS, INCLUDING THOSE BETWEEN NISSAN MOTOR CO. AND PRINCE MOTOR CO. AND BETWEEN TOYO RAYON AND KUREHA SPINNING.

AFTER RETIRING FROM HIS ACTIVE CAREER, HE SERVED AS HONORARY CHAIRMAN OF SUMITOMO BANK.

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TOKYO (DEC. 18) KYODO - NIPPON IDOU TSUSHIN CORP. ON TUESDAY APPLIED FOR APPROVAL FROM THE MINISTRY OF POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS TO START CELLULAR PHONE SERVICES NEXT OCTOBER IN TOKYO, USING A U.S. SYSTEM MADE BY MOTOROLA INC., COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE OFFICIALS SAID THE FIRM PLANS TO COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES SUPPORTING MOTOROLA'S MICROTAC CELLULAR PHONE IN TOKYO'S 23 WARDS AROUND THAT TIME.

THE COMPANY PLANS TO EXPAND SERVICE TO TOKYO'S HACHIOJI AND SAITAMA PREFECTURE'S AGEO BY APRIL 1992, AT WHICH TIME TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT WILL AMOUNT TO ABOUT 10 BILLION YEN, THEY SAID.

MOTOROLA'S MICROTAC HAS BEEN POPULAR IN THE KANSAI AREA IN WESTERN JAPAN, WITH ORDERS RUNNING TWICE THE AVAILABLE SUPPLY.

JAPAN'S NEW COMMON CARRIERS LIKE DAINI-DENDEN INC., TELEWAY JAPAN CORP., AND OTHERS HAVE ADAPTED THEIR CELLULAR PHONE SERVICES TO SUPPORT THE U.S. MAKER'S PHONE.

RECENTLY, NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. (NTT) ANNOUNCED THAT IT HAD DEVELOPED A CELLULAR TELEPHONE SMALLER THAN THE MICROTAC, WHICH HAD, UNTIL THEN, BEEN THE LIGHTEST AND SMALLEST PORTABLE PHONE ON THE MARKET.

THE JAPANESE PHONE WILL GO ON SALE IN TOKYO ABOUT SIX MONTHS AHEAD OF THE U.S. MAKER'S MODEL.

ORIGINALLY, MOTOROLA WAS LIMITED TO SELLING THEIR PORTABLE PHONES IN THE KANSAI REGION, EXCLUDING MAJOR CITIES, BECAUSE THEIR PHONE SYSTEM WAS INCOMPATIBLE WITH NTT'S SYSTEM.

HOWEVER, AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN JAPANESE AND THE U.S. GOVERNMENTS TO OPEN JAPAN'S DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS MARKET IN APRIL HAS OPENED THE WAY FOR MOTOROLA TO OFFER ITS PORTABLE PHONE IN THE TOKYO REGION.

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TOKYO (DEC. 18) KYODO - THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY SAID TUESDAY IT HAS APPROVED RESUMPTION OF C FUEL OIL EXPORTS TO TAIWAN AND SOUTH KOREA AFTER A LAPSE OF 10 YEARS.

THE MINISTRY'S NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY AGENCY SAID 40,000 TONS OF MIDDLE SULFUR C OIL WITH MORE THAN 1.0 PERCENT SULFUR CONTENT WILL BE DESTINED FOR TAIWAN AND 35,000 TONS FOR SOUTH KOREA.

SHIPMENTS WILL BE MADE BY MAJOR JAPANESE OIL REFINER-DISTRIBUTOR IDEMITSU KOSAN CO., AGENCY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE AGENCY SAID APPROVAL OF THE SALE STEMMED FROM THE JUDGMENT THAT JAPAN'S DOMESTIC SUPPLY-DEMAND POSITION WOULD NOT BE AFFECTED.

JAPAN HAS SUSPENDED EXPORT OF FUEL OIL SINCE THE SECOND OIL CRISIS IN 1980, WHEN ABOUT 190,000 KILOLITERS WERE SOLD OVERSEAS.

CRUDE FUEL OIL IS PRODUCED AS A BY-PRODUCT IN PROCESSING CRUDE OIL INTO KEROSENE AND GAS OIL.

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TOKYO (DEC. 18) KYODO - JAPAN MAY FACE A TIGHT ENERGY SUPPLY SITUATION IN THE YEAR TO MARCH 1993 IF DEMAND CONTINUES TO RISE AT THE CURRENT HIGH PACE, THE JAPAN INSTITUTE OF ENERGY ECONOMICS PREDICTED TUESDAY.

THE PRIVATE RESEARCH INSTITUTION SAID ITS PREDICTION WAS BASED ON THREE DIFFERENT CRUDE OIL PRICE SCENARIOS -- STAYING AT 20-22 DOLLARS, FALLING TO 16 DOLLARS PER BARREL AND SURGING TO 40 DOLLARS PER BARREL.

THE INSTITUTE SAID DEMAND FOR ENERGY IS EXPECTED TO GROW AT AN ANNUAL AVERAGE OF 3.7 PERCENT FROM FISCAL 1990 TO 1992, FAR ABOVE THE GOVERNMENT'S ESTIMATE OF 1.8 PERCENT THROUGH THE YEAR 2000.

IT PREDICTED JAPAN'S REAL ECONOMIC GROWTH WILL RECOVER TO THE 4.0 PERCENT LEVEL IN FISCAL 1992 AFTER A FALL TO ABOUT 3.0 PERCENT IN FISCAL 1991, BOOSTING DEMAND FOR ENERGY.

THE INSTITUTE SAID CAPACITY UTILIZATION AT OIL REFINERIES WOULD REACH A HIGH 81 PERCENT IN FISCAL 1992, MAKING IT HARD FOR OIL FIRMS TO MAINTAIN A STABLE SUPPLY OF CRUDE TO REFINERS.

DEMAND ON THE ELECTRIC POWER INDUSTRY IS EXPECTED TO GROW 3.2 PERCENT IN FISCAL 1991 AND 4.3 PERCENT IN THE FOLLOWING YEAR, AGAINST AN ANNUAL GROWTH RATE OF 2.7 PERCENT PROJECTED BY THE GOVERNMENT, IT SAID.

IF CRUDE OIL PRICES FALL BELOW 20 DOLLARS PER BARREL, THE DEMAND FOR ENERGY WOULD SURGE, CAUSING A SUPPLY SHORTAGE, THE INSTITUTE SAID.

THE INSTITUTE URGED THE GOVERNMENT TO REVISE ITS SHORT-TERM PROJECTION FOR THE DEMAND-SUPPLY SITUATION.

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SEOUL (DEC. 18) KYODO - NORTH KOREAN AUTHORITIES HAVE DECIDED TO OBLIGATE REPATRIATES, MOSTLY FROM JAPAN, TO BUY PETROLEUM PRODUCTS WITH FOREIGN CURRENCY AGAINST A BACKGROUND OF SERIOUS OIL AND FOREIGN CURRENCY SHORTAGES, INFORMED SOURCES IN SEOUL SAID TUESDAY.

THE SOURCES SAID PYONGYANG WILL START THE NEW REGULATION JANUARY 1. NORTH KOREA WILL HAVE TO PURCHASE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FROM THE SOVIET UNION WITH HARD CURRENCY BASED ON A NEW TRADE AGREEMENT FOR 1991 SCHEDULED TO BEGIN EARLY IN THE YEAR, THE SOURCES SAID.

THE SOVIET UNION, MAJOR OIL SUPPLIER TO NORTH KOREA, HAS SO FAR DELIVERED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AT SOFT ROUBLE PRICES.

NORTH KOREA APPARENTLY FACES SERIOUS SHORTAGE, AS IT IS URGENTLY SEEKING SOME

1.2 MILLION TONS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, THE SOURCES SAID.

THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 100,000 REPATRIATES FROM JAPAN IN NORTH KOREA. THE NORTH KOREAN GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN A DECISION TO SQUEEZE ALL THE FOREIGN CURRENCY FROM THESE REPATRIATES AFTER FINDING OUT THROUGH INVESTIGATIONS THAT FORMER RESIDENTS OF JAPAN HAVE ABOUT 1.5 MILLION YEN IN SAVINGS PER HOUSEHOLD, THE SOURCES SAID.

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OSAKA (DEC. 18) KYODO - SENSATIONAL JAPAN BANTAMWEIGHT CHAMPION JOICHIRO TATSUYOSHI, UNCORKING RAPID LEFT-RIGHT COMBINATIONS, KNOCKED OUT THIRD-RANKED PHILIPPINE JUNIOR BANTAMWEIGHT JUN CARDINAL IN THE SECOND ROUND TUESDAY IN A SCHEDULED 10-ROUND NONTITLE FIGHT.

FIGHTING BEFORE A NEAR CAPACITY CROWD AT OSAKA PREFECTURAL GYMNASIUM, TATSUYOSHI, KNOWN AS THE MIKE TYSON OF OSAKA FOR HIS RAGS-TO-RICHES SUCCESS STORY, ICED HIS FOE AT 3 MINUTES AND 4 SECONDS OF THE SECOND WITH A SERIES OF LEFT-RIGHT BOMBS.

IT WAS THE 20-YEAR-OLD TATSUYOSHI'S FIFTH STRAIGHT KNOCKOUT SINCE TURNING PROFESSIONAL IN SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR. HE COMPILED AN 18-1 RECORD AS AN AMATEUR WITH 18 KOS.

TATSUYOSHI, ARGUABLY THE MOST POPULAR BOXER IN JAPAN NOW, IS EXPECTED TO TAKE A CRACK AT A WORLD TITLE IN HIS SEVENTH BOUT AFTER DEFENDING HIS NATIONAL TITLE IN APRIL.

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TOKYO (DEC. 19) KYODO - THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS WILL MEAN HIGHER INFLATION AND LOWER GROWTH FOR MOST DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, THE TOKYO OFFICE OF THE WORLD BANK SAID WEDNESDAY.

''THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS SHOCK FROM THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS HAS PUT A SEVERE BURDEN ON DEBT-SERVICING CAPACITY -- ONE THAT, IF IT CONTINUES, COULD OFFSET MUCH OF THE PROGRESS THAT HAS BEEN MADE,'' IT SAID IN A REPORT ISSUED SIMULTANEOUSLY IN WASHINGTON AND TOKYO.

THE REPORT, ''WORLD DEBT TABLES 1990-1991,'' PROJECTED THAT BESIDES DIRECT EFFECTS DERIVING FROM THE CRISIS, SUCH AS HIGHER OIL PRICES, MOST DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WILL SUFFER LARGE FOREIGN EXCHANGE LOSSES DUE TO LOSSES OF WORKERS' REMITTANCES, EARNINGS FROM CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS, AND TOURISM.

THE WORLD BANK ESTIMATED THE TOTAL IMPACT OF THE CRISIS THIS YEAR ON THE OIL-IMPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AT ABOUT 3 PERCENT OF THEIR EXPORTS, OR

ABOUT 10 PERCENT OF DEBT-SERVICING OUTLAYS.

''LOW-INCOME COUNTRIES WILL BE HIT EVEN HARDER,'' IT SAID. THE REPORT SAID THE COMBINED IMPACT OF THE ASSUMED PATTERN OF OIL PRICES ON THE COST OF OIL IMPORTS, PLUS LOSSES ON REMITTANCES AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS, TOGETHER WITH A 1.5 PERCENTAGE POINT RISE IN INTEREST RATES NEXT YEAR, IS EQUIVALENT TO AN AVERAGE 4 PERCENT OF EXPORTS AND 1 PERCENT OF GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP) PER YEAR FOR OIL IMPORTERS DURING THE THREE YEARS TO 1992.

THE ASSESSMENTS ARE BASED ON THE PREMISE THAT OIL WILL AVERAGE 25 DOLLARS PER BARREL THIS YEAR, RISE TO 29 DOLLARS IN 1991, AND FALL BACK TO 25 DOLLARS IN 1992.

BUT FOR SEVERELY INDEBTED LOW-INCOME COUNTRIES, INCLUDING SUDAN AND TANZANIA, THE IMPACT IS ESTIMATED AT MORE THAN 10 PERCENT OF EXPORTS AND ABOUT 1.7 PERCENT OF GDP IN 1991. MODERATELY INDEBTED LOW-INCOME COUNTRIES SUCH AS PAKISTAN, BANGLADESH, AND SRI LANKA, WILL BE HIT HARDER, WITH AN IMPACT EQUIVALENT TO 18 PERCENT OF EXPORTS AND 2.4 PERCENT OF GDP NEXT YEAR.

DEBTOR COUNTRIES ARE CLASSIFIED AS SEVERELY OR MODERATELY INDEBTED, BROKEN DOWN FURTHER INTO LOW-INCOME COUNTRIES -- THOSE WITH PER CAPITA GNP OF LESS THAN 580 DOLLARS LAST YEAR -- AND MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES, WHERE PER CAPITA GNP WAS BETWEEN 580 AND 6,000 DOLLARS.

''MOST OF THE AFFECTED COUNTRIES WILL FIND IT DIFFICULT TO RAISE ADDITIONAL EXTERNAL FINANCE TO CUSHION THESE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS SHOCKS,'' IT SAID, AND SEVERELY INDEBTED NATIONS WILL NEED TO FURTHER REDUCE CONSUMPTION AND INVESTMENT SPENDING TO ABSORB THE HIGHER COST OF OIL IMPORTS.

OIL EXPORTERS AMONG SEVERELY INDEBTED COUNTRIES WILL BENEFIT SUBSTANTIALLY FROM THE OIL PRICE RISE, THE REPORT SAID. THE GAIN IS EXPECTED TO AMOUNT TO 20 PERCENT OF THEIR EXPORTS AND 6 PERCENT OF GDP NEXT YEAR.

THE GAIN WILL BE ESPECIALLY LARGE FOR THOSE WHICH CAN EXPAND PRODUCTION OF OIL SUCH AS VENEZUELA, NIGERIA, AND CONGO, AND THERE WILL ALSO BE SIGNIFICANT GAINS FOR MEXICO AND ECUADOR.

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TOKYO (DEC. 19) KYODO - THE EXTERNAL DEBT OF DEVELOPING NATIONS IS SEEN TO INCREASE BY 6 PERCENT TO 1,341 BILLION DOLLARS THIS YEAR BUT THE ''CRISIS IS SOMEWHAT LESS SEVERE THAN TWO YEARS AGO,'' THE WORLD BANK SAID IN A REPORT ISSUED BY ITS TOKYO OFFICE WEDNESDAY.

INCREASED EXPORTS BY SOME DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SPARKED BY A BUOYANT WORLD ECONOMY THIS YEAR HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO AN IMPROVEMENT IN DEBT INDEXES, DESPITE HIGHER INTEREST RATES, THE BANK SAID IN THE REPORT ISSUED SIMULTANEOUSLY IN

TOKYO AND WASHINGTON.

BY COMPARISON, THIRD WORLD DEBTS FELL 0.3 PERCENT LAST YEAR TO 1,261 BILLION DOLLARS, FOLLOWING A FALL OF 0.2 PERCENT TO 1,265 BILLION DOLLARS THE YEAR BEFORE.

THE REPORT SAID THE WORLD'S OVERALL GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP) ROSE 3.0 PERCENT LAST YEAR, FOLLOWING ITS GROWTH OF 4.1 PERCENT IN 1988. THESE FIGURES LED WORLD TRADE TO ADVANCE 7.3 PERCENT LAST YEAR AFTER A 9.1 PERCENT RISE IN 1988.

''THE BRADY INITIATIVE, EASING OF TERMS ON PARIS CLUB RESCHEDULINGS, CONTINUATION OF OTHER PROGRAMS OF DEBT RELIEF AND RESTRUCTURING,'' HAVE ALSO PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE TO EASE THE CRISES, THE BANK SAID.

THE REPORT, TITLED ''WORLD DEBT TABLES 1990-1991,'' SHOWED IMPROVEMENT IN TWO OF THE MOST COMMON DEBT INDICATORS, DEBT-EXPORT RATIO AND DEBT SERVICE RATIO.

THE BANK SAID IT PROJECTS THE DEBT-EXPORT RATIO OF THE DEVELOPING NATIONS WILL DECLINE BY ABOUT 2 PERCENT IN 1990, SUPPORTED BY THE EXPECTED 8.5 PERCENT GROWTH IN EXPORTS, WHILE THE INCREASE IN DEBT IS PUT AT 6.5 PERCENT RISE.

THE RATIO OF DEBT SERVICING TO EXPORTS HAD IMPROVED, PUSHING DOWN THE INDEX TO 22 IN 1989 FROM 27 IN 1988. THE BANK EXPECTS A FURTHER IMPROVEMENT IN THE FIGURE THIS YEAR.

THE BRADY THIRD WORLD DEBT RELIEF PLAN, IMPLEMENTED THIS YEAR IN THE PHILIPPINES, MEXICO, AND COSTA RICA, REDUCED COMMERCIAL BANK DEBT BY 9.5 BILLION DOLLARS THROUGH DEBT REDUCTION AND BUY-BACKS. THE SCHEDULED COMPLETION OF THE VENEZUELA OPERATION BEFORE THE END OF THIS YEAR WILL FURTHER LOWER THE DEBT BY 2 BILLION DOLLARS.

THE PLAN WAS INTRODUCED BY U.S. TREASURY SECRETARY NICHOLAS BRADY, WHO PROPOSED THAT COUNTRIES WITH SOUND ADJUSTMENT PROGRAMS SHOULD GET ACCESS TO DEBT AND DEBT-REDUCTION FACILITIES, SUPPORTED BY INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND OFFICIALS CREDITORS.

THE PARIS CLUB PROVIDED INCREASED DEBT-SERVICE RELIEF BY LENGTHENING MATURITIES AND GRACE PERIODS AND, FOR COUNTRIES THAT BELONG TO THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (IDA), IT REDUCED INTEREST RATES AND DEBT STOCKS.

THE REPORT SAID THE RISE IN AVERAGE INTEREST COSTS WAS LARGELY OFFSET BY THE EASIER TERMS ON THE PARIS CLUB RESCHEDULINGS AND SOME OF THE NEW CONCESSIONAL LOANS, AS WELL AS BY THE INCREASING IMPORTANCE OF NONDOLLAR LOANS, WHICH CARRIED LOWER INTEREST RATES.

THE REPORT SAID CHILE AND COSTA RICA IMPROVED THEIR DEBT INDICATORS LAST YEAR

TO MOVE THEM OUT OF THE GROUP OF SEVERELY INDEBTED MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES (SIMICS).

MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES ARE THOSE WITH PER CAPITA GNP IN 1989 OF 580 TO 6,000 DOLLARS, WHILE LOW-INCOME COUNTRIES ARE THOSE WITH LESS THAN 580 DOLLARS. THEY ARE CLASSIFIED AS SEVERELY OR MODERATELY INDEBTED ACCORDING TO THEIR DEBT RATIO AGAINST FACTORS INCLUDING GNP.

CHILE SUCCEEDED IN AN EXTENSIVE PROGRAM OF DEBT-EQUITY SWAPS AND OTHER DEBT CONVERSIONS THAT REDUCED COMMERCIAL BANK DEBT BY 40 PERCENT BETWEEN 1985 AND 1989.

THE BANK SAID, HOWEVER, ''DESPITE THESE POSITIVE DEVELOPMENTS, THE DEBT CRISIS IS NOT OVER.''

NOTING THE EFFECTS OF THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS, IT SAID, ''FOR THE VAST MAJORITY OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, HIGHER OIL PRICES MEAN HIGHER IMPORT BILLS.''

''BUT EVEN PRIOR TO THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS, MANY DEBTOR COUNTRIES HAD NOT UNDERTAKEN THE NECESSARY ADJUSTMENT,'' THE BANK SAID, ADDING, ''DOMESTIC REFORM AND MACROECONOMIC BALANCE ARE ESSENTIAL TO DEVELOPMENT AND RESOLUTION OF THE DEBT CRISIS.''

A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES HAVE RUN UP SUBSTANTIAL ARREARS ON INTEREST PAYMENTS, WHICH ROSE BY 7.2 BILLION DOLLARS IN 1990. THE STOCK OF ARREARS REPRESENTED 6.4 PERCENT OF TOTAL THIRD WORLD DEBT IN 1989.

''THE DRAMATIC GROWTH OF ARREARS HAS DISTURBED CREDITOR-DEBTOR RELATIONS, REDUCED THE ACCESS OF COUNTRIES RUNNING ARREARS TO VITAL TRADE CREDITS AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT, AND COMPLICATED FOREIGN TRADE FINANCING,'' THE REPORT SAID.

MEANWHILE, THE DOLLAR'S DEPRECIATION AGAINST OTHER MAJOR CURRENCIES THIS YEAR INCREASED THE VALUE OF THE STOCK OF DEBT DENOMINATED IN NONDOLLAR CURRENCIES LIKE YEN AND GERMAN MARKS BY NEARLY 10 PERCENT, EQUIVALENT TO ABOUT 46 BILLION DOLLARS.

THE REPORT SAID, ''UNDERLYING MANY OF THESE PROBLEMS IS THE CONTINUED LIMITED AVAILABILITY OF EXTERNAL FINANCE.''

THE WORLD BANK EXPRESSED CONCERNS ON LANGUISHING NEW PRIVATE LENDINGS, WHICH ARE ''MUCH LESS THAN INTEREST PAYMENTS.'' OFFICIAL FLOWS AND FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT ACCOUNT FOR ALMOST ALL OF TOTAL NET RESOURCE FLOWS TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

PRIVATE NET LOANS, WHICH AMOUNTED 41.1 BILLION DOLLARS IN 1980, HAD DECLINED TO 700 MILLION DOLLARS BY 1987, BUT ARE PROJECTED TO CLIMB BACK TO 2.3 BILLION DOLLARS THIS YEAR, IT SAID.

THE AMOUNT OF OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE, ON THE OTHER HAND, HAS REMAINED STEADY, AND IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE TO 46.9 BILLION DOLLARS IN 1990 FROM 36.6 BILLION DOLLARS LAST YEAR.

OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE (ODA), CONSISTING OF GRANTS AND CONCESSIONAL LENDING, HAS INCREASED IN THE 1980S, WHILE BILATERAL, NONCONCESSIONAL OFFICIAL LENDING DECLINED SUBSTANTIALLY BETWEEN 1980 AND 1987, THE REPORT SAID.

''IN 1990, NET LENDING BY BILATERAL OFFICIAL CREDITORS AND MULTILATERAL LENDERS IS PROJECTED TO INCREASE SHARPLY.''

IN RESPECT TO ODA, THE REPORT PARTICULARLY EMPHASIZED JAPAN'S ROLE AS THE LARGEST SINGLE BILATERAL DONOR TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

KEIKO SATO, SPOKESWOMAN AT THE WORLD BANK IN TOKYO, SAID THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS PROVIDED BY JAPAN WAS PARTICULARLY NOTICEABLE AMID A DECLINE IN THE PROVISION OF NEW MONEY.

JAPAN HAS SET A TARGET OF 50 BILLION DOLLARS IN NET ODA DISBURSEMENTS TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES FROM 1988 TO 1992, AN AVERAGE OF 10 BILLION DOLLARS A YEAR, IN ADDITION TO THE EXPANDED JAPANESE RECYCLING PROGRAM WORTH 65 BILLION DOLLARS FOR 1987 TO 1992.

THE WORLD BANK, LOOKING FORWARD INTO THE 1990S, SAID THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES FACE SEVERAL UNCERTAINTIES ABOUT THE INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENT.''

''THE COMPOSITION OF NET FLOWS TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN THE MID-1990S IS LIKELY TO BE SIMILAR TO RECENT YEARS. OFFICIAL SOURCES AND FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT ARE LIKELY TO REMAIN THE LARGEST FLOWS,'' WHILE PRIVATE LENDING WILL REMAIN LOW IN ABSOLUTE TERMS.

''IN THIS ENVIRONMENT, DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WILL HAVE TO RELY ON INTERNAL RESOURCE MOBILIZATION FOR INVESTMENT FINANCE EVEN MORE THAN IN THE PAST ... EXPORT INCENTIVES ALSO NEED CLOSE ATTENTION.''

INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES CAN SUPPORT THESE EFFORTS BY REDUCING TRADE BARRIERS, THE REPORT SAID.

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TOKYO (DEC. 19) KYODO - FOLLOWING IS THE TABLE OF DEBT OUTSTANDING, DEBT-SERVICE RATIO, AND DEBT-EXPORT RATIO OF MAJOR DEVELOPING NATIONS IN 1989, ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY BY THE WORLD BANK.

	DEBT OUTSTANDING (BIL. DLRS)	DEBT-EXPORT RATIO (PERCENT)	DEBT-SERVICE RATIO (PERCENT)

ARGENTINA	64.7	537.0	36.1
BRAZIL	111.3	301.6	31.3
EGYPT	48.8	355.3	21.8
HUNGARY	20.6	UNAVAILABLE	UNAVAILABLE
MEXICO	95.6	262.9	39.5
MOROCCO	20.9	328.6	32.2
NIGERIA	32.8	390.1	21.3
PHILIPPINES	28.9	226.4	26.3
POLAND	43.3	262.9	9.4
VENEZUELA	33.1	211.5	25.0

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC 18) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that Merchandise trade figures for October show a rise to $11.61 billion, which is quite a bit higher than most analysts had predicted. Analysts expected the figures to show that the nation's deficit widened to about $10 billion from $9.4 billion in September. The September figure was revised to $9.33 billion today.

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT also reports that the Consumer Price Index rose 0.3%. Economists polled by Dow Jones Capital Market Reports believed that core inflation, which is the CPI excluding volatile food and energy, would advance 0.3%

The Nikkei moves 336 points higher. ... In London, the FTSE firms to edge up 3.7 points in early afternoon trading. ... There is no clear direction on the dollar. ... Bonds are higher, the long yield is at 8.17%. ... Crude oil is up 20 cents overnight to $25.90.

The MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA says the number of Americans behind on their home mortgage payments rose sharply during the summer, especially in the Northeast and South. ... DONALD TRUMP makes an $18.4 million payment to avoid plunging a second casino into financial crisis.

AT&T and ZENITH are teaming up to develop an all-digital high-definition television system it hopes will be adopted by the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION as the U.S. standard.

R.H. MACY reports it has attracted as much as $187.6 million in new equity, which the retailer will use to buy back some junk bonds. ... MERRILL LYNCH and PRUDENTIAL-BACHE are raising some commission rates amid a slump in stock-trading volume.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

According industry executives, SHEARSON and PRUDENTIAL-BACHE are talking about combining their operations that process securities trades. ... RJR NABISCO plans to offer about $400 million in stock to the public as part of an effort to retire junk bonds.

FREEPORT-McMoRAN intends to sell at least $750 million in petroleum and mineral assets, in part to cut debt. ... GATT DIRECTOR-GENERAL ARTHUR DUNKEL has called for the four year-old trade talks to resume on Jan. 15.

FROM THE BULLS:

"Up, Up and Away," says NORMAN FOSBACK at the "Mutual Fund Forecaster." "It's beginning to look like a bull market again." Fosback says mutual fund cash reserves have "ballooned to the most favorable level ever."

With three-fifths of the issues on the American Stock Exchange now quoted below their book values, Fosback looks for the S&P to advance 36% over the next twelve months.

"Ignore the Cassandras that preach a new bear market," says Fosback. "The Insiders" newsletter reports that over the last five weeks, 3/4 of all insider trades were buys, leading editor Norman Fosback to conclude that the current situation is an "exceptional buying opportunity."

In October, insider buying hit 90% of all trades, breaking the record of 89% set after the 1987 crash. Fosback pointed out that "this is only the third time since 1971 that insider buying has been at these levels." (CNBC "World Business" and "Investor's Daily", 12/18)

FROM THE BEARS:

"We would go aggressively short, but this week is triple expiration of futures and options," says CRAIG CORCORAN of DAVIS-ZWEIG FUTURES. "Our readings show a high put-to-call ratio, which means option players are bearish." He says his firm has advised its clients to go to 100% cash, and he says after the expirations he would "consider going short." ("Investor's Daily", 12/18)

STOCK MARKET:

KENNETH SPENCE, director of technical analysis for SALOMON BROTHERS, says he thinks the market will be "choppy" for the rest of the year and will "finish the year higher - somewhere near 2685." He notes, however, that "the broad market was a lot weaker than the blue chips" Monday. (NYT, 12/18)

RICHARD McCABE, manager of market analysis at MERRILL LYNCH, says the war

worries have helped keep the market from rising too quickly. "The uncertainty is keeping the market technically healthy.

"Once the Mideast uncertainty is somehow resolved, we could easily get to the point that people are overly optimistic - and that could be the seed of undoing for this whole recovery from October." Currently Mr. McCabe doubts that the industrial average will fall further than 2500 in any pullback here. (WSJ, 12/18)

"The market has done remarkably well in the face of all these uncertainties," says EUGENE PERONI at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT. "We still face the psychological burden of upcoming fourth-quarter earnings reports." ("USA Today", 12/18)

Look for stocks to form a top between now and early January, followed by another drift down, predicts GERALD APPEAL at "Systems and Forecasts." "The action in the stock market has been good - not great. ... We are not among those rushing to the long-term bullish camp." Appeal sees strong resistance just above current market levels. (CNBC "World Business", 12/18)

"Everybody is considering the war scenario," says THOMAS GALLAGHER, managing director in charge of capital commitment at OPPENHEIMER. "It stands to reason that we can only be surprised on the upside."

He says fears of the crisis have kept many investors from buying stocks and the possibility of a diplomatic solution which would spark a rally have kept investors from selling. "No one wants to do anything," says Gallagher. (WSJ, 12/18)

"January 15 [date of the U.N.'s deadline for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait] will continue to haunt the stock market," according to MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. Acuff says that he, like most investors and analysts, will "wait to see what happens before they commit themselves." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/17)

STEFAN ABRAMS, chief investment strategist at KIDDER PEABODY, believes that the market is not dangerously vulnerable at current levels. "Obviously, if we get to January 15 and bullets start flying, all sorts of asset prices will start falling," says Mr. Abrams. "But in the interim, the market is being sustained by falling interest rates."

Abrams adds that he doesn't believe fourth-quarter corporate profits, to be reported in mid-January, will be as bad as many market watchers believe. (WSJ, 12/18)

"People are sick and tired of trading on the same stimulus," says JON GROVEMAN president of LADENBURG, THALMANN & CO. "We're in a Mexican standoff in terms of interest rates. What we really need to move this market is some certainty about what's going to happen in the Middle East."

Mr. Groveman expects the Fed to once again push short-term interest rates lower in coming weeks, but says the action will only have a muted impact of stock prices. (WSJ, 12/18)

"The market's marking time until we see what policy initiatives come from the Fed's Open Market Committee meeting" today, says DAVID BOSTIAN JR., chief economist and strategist at JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL & COMPANY. He thinks the Fed might cut either the discount rate or the Fed funds rate. (NYT, 12/18)

STOCK TIPS:

"My primary [favorite stock] of the major integrated oils is TEXACO," says ANTHONY LUDOVICI at TUCKER ANTHONY. "Texaco has come a long way in recent years. ... The stock is languishing at 57. The stock is very cheap." He also likes MESA PARTNERS, calling it "a screaming buy." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/17)

"It's going to become increasingly difficult for LASERSCOPE to beat analysts' estimates," says SAMUEL NAVARRO of NEEDHAM & CO. He believes that demand for their expensive technology may wane as the recession deepens.

But that phenomenon may benefit SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES, whose products are more affordable. "Any weakness ... should be used as a buy opportunity," according to Navarro. ("Investor's Daily", 12/18)

RJR NABISCO is planning to offer cash and stock to some holders of its high-yield junk bonds next year, meaning about 82.5 million shares could be trading. "The shares are attractive, but they're risky, highly leveraged and not for everyone," says DIANA TEMPLE at SALOMON BROTHERS. ("USA Today", 12/18)

"USA Today" examines newspaper stocks in its "Industry Spotlight" section, focusing on why share prices are rising even though few analysts expect newspapers to perform well next year.

"Newspapers stocks recover early in an economic cycle," says KEVIN GRUNEICH at FIRST BOSTON. But he says not to be fooled by the stock price rise: "It's a fake-out. The floorboards are weak." PETER APPERT at C.J. LAWRENCE is not recommending newspaper stocks, but says most of the bad news is out and does not expect shares to fall lower. ("USA Today", 12/18)

Short CBS on January 22 following the tender offer or buy the February 170 puts, recommends "Market Trim Tabs." This advisor to a number of hedge funds is much less than enchanted with CBS management; they note that, after the buyback, the network's cash will drop to $800 million, approximately equal to the company's long term debt: "Any takeover [of CBS] could be at $100 per share or less."

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 18) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"The dollar is definitely being propped up by the impression that the situation in the Persian Gulf is deteriorating slightly," says ROBERT HATCHER of BARCLAYS BANK PLC. While holiday trading was sparse, Bush's "no concessions" speech created a great deal of safe-haven trading. ("Investor's Daily", 12/18)

"The U.S. economy is weak, but that's an old tune" in the currency market, says BILL ARNOLD, vice president and chief dealer at CHEMICAL BANK in New York explaining why the dollar bucked fundamentals and rose slightly yesterday on bellicose remarks from Iraq and the U.S. (WSJ, 12/18)

"It's only a matter of when they [the Fed] will ease, not if," says RAYMOND W. STONE, managing director at STONE & McCARTHY RESEARCH ASSOCIATES. "And when they do, they will also have to consider what to do with the discount rate." (NYT, 12/18)

The Fed "is committing one of its traditional errors," says NIKKO SECURITIES chief economist ROBERT BRUSCA. "It is staying too tight, too long." He says the Fed is misreading the recession as a mild one, and is therefore unwilling to take dramatic action. ("Investor's Daily", 12/18)

The Fed will wait "until early January, after they get the December statistics on employment trends" before easing, says MARSHALL ACUFF of SMITH BARNEY. At that point, Acuff thinks the Fed will "overtly" lower both the discount and fed funds rates. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/17)

The Fed will be talking about additional easing at its FOMC meeting, according to J.P. MORGAN economist JAMES GLASSMAN. "The economy is probably contracting at a 4% annual rate in the fourth quarter ... there are indications here that the contraction is gaining momentum," says Glassman.

The most telling figure is the half million person rise in unemployment since summer, says Glassman, who expects the unemployment rate at 7.5% by spring. While another funds rate drop is likely, a cut in the discount rate would signal a pickup in easing. For that reason, Glassman says an easing of the discount rate is likely to be resisted or postponed by the Fed's hardline inflation fighters. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/17)

"I think it's pretty clear that the shortfall in economic growth has become widespread and pervasive and ... the Fed is going to deal with this in a more

aggressive fashion than we've seen," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS.

"We're looking for the federal funds rate to drop to 7% by late this month or early January and we're looking for that action to be followed up with a cut in the discount rate to 6 1/2% by the middle of next month at the latest.

"What's going to be different about this easing is that it is not going to be as identifiable as the recent easing. ... This time around, the downward pressure on funds is going to come from this reserve requirement cut that is gradually going into effect during the second half of December.

"Market forces and the reliquification of the system will bring this funds rate lower and the Fed won't resist that downward bias." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/17)

"My own point of view suggests that they [the Federal Reserve] are not going to take any additional steps for another several weeks," says BEAR, STEARNS chief economist LAWRENCE KUDLOW.

Kudlow praises FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN for his handling of the widely anticipated slowdown. "He has piloted this in such a delicate, sensitive, consistent manner" that, once the oil shock passes, inflation will not only stay low, but may actually move lower, according to Kudlow. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/17)

KEVIN FLANAGAN, a money-market economist at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS INC., says that a favorable CPI report - one that shows the core inflation rate running at 0.2% or lower in November - could prompt a bond market rally while a negative report - one showing CPI over 0.5% - could push bond prices lower. "Anything in between will be neutral," says Mr. Flanagan. (WSJ, 12/18)

THE ECONOMY:

"We feel the recession will be more severe than most people expect and will be accompanied by deflation," says CRAIG CORCORAN of DAVIS-ZWEIG FUTURES. "We are seeing a lot of asset sales." ("Investor's Daily", 12/18)

"The old game of the Fed loosening the reins to revive the economy may be harder to play this time," says MARTIN H. BARNES, an economist at "BCA Interest Rate Forecast," a newsletter based in Montreal. "The rules have changed in ways that could produce a stubborn recession." (WSJ, 12/18)

A rapidly rising portion of the debt is owed to institutions outside the banking system, such as insurance and finance companies, and some analysts are finding that debt worrisome.

"This surge in nonbank debt may make it much more difficult for the Fed to

revive" a sinking economy, says NANCY LAZAR, an economist at C.J. LAWRENCE, MORGAN GRENFELL INC.

Fed actions always carry a lag time before they are really felt in the economy and according to VINCENT J. MALANGA, president of LaSALLE ECONOMICS INC., "With so much debt outside the banking system, the lag could be even longer this time." Mr. Malanga doubts a recovery will develop until late next year at the earliest, and even then the upturn may be feeble. (WSJ, 12/18)

"You'll see [oil] prices down below $25 a barrel once the Mideast crisis is resolved," says ANTHONY LUDOVICI at TUCKER ANTHONY. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/17)

IN WASHINGTON:

"If we act in a reasonable way, without panic, we can handle this situation," says FDIC Chairman WILLIAM SEIDMAN. But a Congressional report estimates that bank failures over the next two years will cost the government as much as $43 billion, while the FDIC may have as little as $29 billion in reserves.

"Those figures tell you today, that the bank insurance fund is insolvent," says economist DAN BRUMBAUGH. Seidman is looking for rapid recapatilization for the insurance fund. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/17)

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. CHAIRMAN WILLIAM SEIDMAN says the bank insurance fund will need a cash infusion of about $25 billion early next year "to insure the stability of the fund." But he says the money should come from banks, not taxpayers.

"If you [Congress] act promptly, there's no need for the taxpayers to pay a cent," Seidman tells a House Banking subcommittee. ("The Washington Post" and "USA Today", 12/18)

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Silicon Graphics Inc. (NYSE: SGI) and Hitachi Zosen Information Systems Co. Ltd. (HZS) today announced the signing of an agreement through which HZS will act as a value added reseller of Silicon Graphics' workstations and servers. The initial terms of the agreement, executed through Silicon Graphics's wholly-owned Japanese subsidiary, Nihon Silicon Graphics, call for HZS to purchase Personal IRIS workstations, valued at $5 million over the next 12 months.

HZS will be selling its GRADE(TM) CAD/CAM software in addition to the Silicon Graphics IRIS 4D(TM) systems. This software has the largest installed base of any mechanical CAD/CAM software in Japan and is particularly popular in the metal molding industry, where it holds a commanding 60 percent market share.

GRADE users on Silicon Graphics systems can now design complex objects interactively, a capability not found on traditional 2D workstations.

HZS selected Silicon Graphics as its business partner after a three year evaluation of workstations from U.S. and Japanese vendors. Masaru Uyeda, director of Systems Products for HZS stated, "Silicon Graphics' workstations were chosen for their superior performance with GRADE software and for the ease with which the unique Silicon Graphics hardware features can be accessed by HZS software developers."

"The agreement with HZS represents a major milestone in the development of our business in Japan," commented Mark Perry, executive vice president of Silicon Graphics Inc. He added, "Our sales in Japan during the past fiscal year were approximately 10 percent of our total revenues, and we anticipate that our business there will grow even stronger due to this agreement with HZS."

Hitachi Zosen Informations Systems Ltd. is a leading provider of system integration, software development, and educational services for firms in machinery, die design and manufacturing, plant construction, and electronics industries. In addition, it manufactures and markets computer input/output devices and on-board marine information processing systems. It has eight offices and over 400 employees in Japan.

Silicon Graphics Inc. is the leading manufacturer of high performance graphics systems, servers and software for visual processing applications. The company's products, which range from advanced project supercomputers to low-end desktop models and PC graphics subsystems, are used by engineers, scientists and creative professionals in design, analysis, manufacturing and simulation.

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#90352p4142 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW CANAAN, CONN. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Smith Corona Corporation's (NYSE: SCO), Chairman G. Lee Thompson, hailed the U.S. International Trade Commission's preliminary determination Monday of unfair trade practices by Japanese competitors in the sale of personal word processors in the United States.

Yesterday, the commission voted unanimously 4 to 0 that there is reasonable indication that the domestic industry producing personal word processors was materially injured or threatened with material injury by reason of the imports from Japan. These imports were alleged to be sold at less than fair value. Notice of the preliminary determination will be published in the Federal Register at a later date.

Smith Corona filed an anti-dumping petition on Nov. 6 of this year, alleging that imports of personal word processors from Japan were being dumped by substantial margins (that is, sold in the U.S. at prices lower than in the home country or below cost).

"Our employees and stockholders have been repeatedly victimized over the years by internationally recognized unfair trade practices engaged in by our foreign competitors," said Thompson. The new anti-dumping petition was filed, according to Thompson, after serious price discounting was implemented by major Japanese competitors.

"Our company has had to fight the dumping of our major Asian competitors for years," added Thompson. "We've waited years for effective relief under an existing order on portable electric typewriters from Japan while our government has examined the question of whether the latest models are covered. With recent judicial victories on the outstanding order, and with this new case to deal with dumping of personal word processors from Japan, I am confident that at long last our government will be willing to stop the serious harm flowing to our company and our workers."

The Commerce Department will now investigate whether the imports of personal word processors from Japan are being sold at less than fair value in the United States. A preliminary determination by commerce is expected by April 15, 1991. Smith Corona, based in New Canaan, is the world's largest-manufacturer of portable electronic typewriters and personal word processors. It recently announced its entry into the home, student, home office and small business segments of the personal computer market, beginning in early 1991. The company also markets office supplies, forms, and customized printed products.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - House of Fabrics (NYSE: HF) announced today that it has offered to enter into negotiations for a merger with Fabricland Inc. (NASDAQ: FBRC) of Portland, Ore., at a price to the shareholders of $13.50 per share, payable in cash or common stock of House of Fabrics Inc.

In a letter to the board of directors of Fabricland, Gary L. Larkins, president and chief executive officer of House of Fabrics Inc., stated that "we believe that our offer price, which is substantially above levels at which Fabricland stock has recently traded, is both fair and generous to Fabricland's shareholders."

The offer contemplates negotiation of a definitive agreement containing normal terms and conditions and, is subject to approval of Fabricland shareholders, the board of directors of both companies, and appropriate regulatory authorities.

House of Fabrics operates 629 stores located in 43 states selling medium-priced fabrics, notions, crafts and sewing machines. Fabricland operates approximately 80 stores in six western states selling similar merchandise.

Larkins commented: "Fabricland operates large stores carrying very broad selections of fabrics, which is very much in keeping with House of Fabrics' highly successful superstore strategy, which involves stores of 10,000 to 12,000 square feet. In addition, the merchandising philosophy at Fabricland fits well with our own.

"Fabricland is a high quality operation, one we have long admired, and we are convinced that combining the knowledge and experience of the two firms will benefit the customers and shareholders of both companies."

House of Fabrics currently has approximately 5,723,000 shares of common stock outstanding and Fabricland has approximately 3,200,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. (NYSE: CHH) today announced a net loss of $14.9 million, or $.52 per share, for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 compared with a net loss of $13.9 million, or $.65 per share, in the first quarter of the prior year.

This year's period includes an extraordinary after tax charge of $6.2 million for costs relating to the early retirement of debt. Last year's period includes an extraordinary after tax charge of $10.5 million for costs resulting from the earthquake in the Bay Area in October 1989. The loss before these items was $8.7 million, or $.30 per share, in this year's period compared with a loss of $3.4 million, or $.16 per share, in last year's first quarter.

This year's period excludes Thalhimers and includes a pretax gain of $30.0 million on its sale to The May Department Stores Co. The transaction was announced during the quarter and completed on Dec. 14.

In addition, there was a pretax charge of $35.0 million for costs associated with the realignment program announced concurrently with the sale of

Thalhimers. This program involves extensive consolidations and streamlining of operations within the company's four department store divisions to take advantage of their dominance in the Western United States. It is expected to generate about $50 million in expense savings on an annualized basis beginning Feb. 1.

Excluding Thalhimers from both years, sales were $566.3 million in this year's period compared with $558.2 million in the first quarter of fiscal 1990, and on a comparative store basis were unchanged from the prior year. Actual sales in the prior year first quarter include Thalhimers and were $658.8 million.

There was a charge of $1.0 million in this year's period as a result of the LIFO method of accounting for inventories, compared with no effect in the prior year period.

Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. is the largest department store company in the Western United States and operates 88 stores in six states through four divisions: The Broadway-Southern California, The Broadway-Southwest, Emporium and Weinstocks.

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#90352p4146 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

HAMBURG, Germany (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - RWE-DEA announced today that its subsidiary, Alpha Acquisition Corp., commenced its previously announced tender offer for all outstanding shares of common stock of Vista Chemical Company (NYSE: VC) at $55 per share in cash. The aggregate value of the transaction is approximately $590 million, excluding indebtedness assumed.

The tender offer is conditioned upon, among other things, there being tendered at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of Vista common stock on a fully diluted basis. The offer is not conditioned upon RWE-DEA's obtaining financing.

The tender offer and withdrawal rights are scheduled to expire at midnight, New York time, on Thursday, Jan. 24, 1991, unless extended.

On Dec. 13, 1990, RWE-DEA and Vista jointly announced that they had signed a definitive agreement providing for the acquisition of Vista by RWE-DEA. Vista is an integrated producer of commodity and specialty chemicals. RWE-DEA is a major German company engaged directly or through its subsidiaries in oil refining and marketing as well as the exploration and production of oil and natural gas. RWE-DEA also manufactures a wide range of petrochemical basics and chemical products. RWE-DEA is an independent operating subsidiary of RWE AG,

a publicly held holding company based in Essen.

Gleacher & Co. Inc. and Morgan Grenfell & Co. Limited are acting as dealer managers for the tender offer. Dewe Rogerson Inc. is the information agent.

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#90352p4149 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Rochester Community Savings Bank (NASDAQ: RCSB) today announced that it will provide up to $5 million in additional funding for its Employee Investment and Stock Ownership Plan (EISOP). The company established the EISOP in 1987 with an initial funding of $10 million and provided an additional $3 million in January 1990.

The independent trustee of the EISOP will use the $5 million funding to purchase the bank's common stock for the benefit of the bank's employees who are plan participants. The stock will be allocated to employees over ten years. The funding is structured so that there is no additional employee benefit cost over the ten-year period.

Leonard S. Simon, RCSB chairman and CEO, commented, "By giving employees a direct stake in RCSB's stock price appreciation, the EISOP focuses employees on the same goals as other shareholders and motivates them to further strengthen the company's performance."

As of Dec. 17, 1990, the closing price of RCSB stock was $7.375 per share. There are 13,816,180 shares outstanding of RCSB stock.

Rochester Community Savings Bank is publicly-owned, state-chartered, savings bank headquartered in Rochester. The bank operates 27 retail banking offices in Western New York, and 19 branches in New Jersey through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Shadow Lawn Savings Bank. RCSB also owns subsidiaries engaged in mortgage banking, automobile financing, commercial real estate banking, insurance, and securities brokerage. The bank's assets are $4.3 billion.

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#90352p4150 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Paychex, Inc. (NASDAQ: PAYX) today reported net income of $2,849,000 or $.22 per share for the second quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, up 5 percent over net income of $2,724,000 or $.21 per

share for the same quarter last year. Revenue for the second quarter rose by 14 percent to $33,481,000 from $29,455,000 for the year-earlier quarter.

For the six months ended Nov. 30, 1990, net income was $5,720,000 or $.44 per share, compared to net income of $5,421,000 or $.42 per share for the same period last year. Revenue reached $66,548,000 an increase of 15 percent over the previous year's first-half total of $57,984,000.

Tom Golisano, chairman and chief executive, noted that the second quarter results were in line with the company's expectations.

"We were satisfied with our client growth and especially with the retention levels of our existing clients," Golisano said. He added that the company's 71 branch operating centers are now processing payrolls for approximately 127,000 businesses.

Golisano further noted that even though the company is experiencing a slight reduction in the average number of checks processed per client, it expects to report improved levels of profitability in the second half of the fiscal year as compared to the same period last year. "We attribute the per client check reduction, which approximates three percent, primarily to the weakening economy," Golisano said. He added the company experienced a similar situation during the economic downturn in the early 1980s.

Golisano further reported the Taxpay feature of the payroll service continues to be well received in the marketplace. He noted, "Taxpay is now available in offices representing over 80 percent of our client base and should be available in all of our locations by mid-1991."

Paychex, Inc., with payroll service centers in major metropolitan areas throughout the country, is primarily engaged in the preparation of payroll checks, internal accounting records and all federal, state and local payroll tax returns for businesses employing from 1 to 200 employees.

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#90352p4156 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BAKERSFIELD, CA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Nahama & Weagant Energy Co. (NASDAQ: NAWE) today reported a successful gas exploratory well at its South Putah Sink field, resulting in a new pool discovery. The field is located in Yolo County near Sacramento, Calif.

The new well tested at a daily production rate of 2.5 million cubic feet of gas through a 16/64th inch choke. Tubing pressure and casing pressure were 1450 and 1650 pounds, and shut-in tubing pressure was 2245 pounds. Nahama &

Weagant, which will be the operator, has a 45 percent working interest in the well with the majority of the remaining interest held by the company's financial partner, the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co.

Rodney Nahama, president and chief executive officer, said: "We hope to begin sales from this well at a daily rate of 1.2 to 1.5 million cubic feet of gas before the end of December. The current price of gas from the field is $2.15 per thousand cubic feet. Since the well represented a new pool discovery, it should increase the field's proven reserves and help us continue the strong momentum in our earnings. Recently, we reported record profits for the third quarter.

"Gas sales from our initial exploratory well in the field began last March, and in June, we announced a successful development well there. Present plans call for drilling another development well at South Putah Sink in the first quarter of next year.

"Nahama & Weagant's exploration and development program continues to produce positive results. We have been successful with 53 percent of our exploratory wells and 77 percent of our development wells. A total of 15 exploratory and 13 development wells have been drilled to date in the 1989/90 program with seven additional wells currently drilling, or scheduled to be drilled, prior to Jan. 31, 1991. In the coming fiscal year, we plan to drill 40 to 45 more exploratory and development wells."

Based in Bakersfield, Nahama & Weagant Energy Co. is an independent engaging in oil and gas exploration, development and production, primarily in California and Oregon.

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#90352p4157 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD BEACH, FL (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - CheckRobot Inc. (NASDAQ: CKRB) announced today that it has formed a wholly owned European subsidiary, CheckRobot Europe Ltd., opened a European office in London, and appointed two new vice presidents.

Peter Detre has been hired, initially on a consulting basis, to develop the company's European business and will be based in London. Detre has most recently been a director of Fitch R.S., the largest retail store design consultancy in Europe and has been managing director, consumer products for the Walt Disney Company in London. "Mr. Detre's substantial experience and knowledge in the European retail and supermarket industry will be a great advantage to CheckRobot in advancing its goals in Europe," stated Nigel Nicholson, a director of CheckRobot and of CheckRobot Europe Ltd. "We have been very pleased with the level of interest shown by the European supermarket

industry in CheckRobot's automated checkout systems. Mr. Detre's immediate priority will be to develop and implement a business plan that will enable us to access the significant sales potential of ACM(R) systems in Europe in the near future."

The company also announced that it has appointed two new vice presidents, Wes Dickover and Dr. Larry Axsom. Dickover, employed by CheckRobot since June of 1985 as director of Hardware Engineering, has been appointed vice president of Hardware Engineering. "Mr. Dickover has made significant contributions to the development of automated checkout and to the company and is very deserving of this promotion," said A.W. Vitale, chairman of the board.

Dr. Axsom rejoined CheckRobot last month and has been appointed vice president of Software Engineering. Dr. Axsom has previously been employed by Telematics International, Inc. and was employed by CheckRobot from 1986-1988 as director of Software. "Dr. Axsom's expertise in automated checkout will significantly strengthen our software department," said Vitale. "We are pleased that he has rejoined the company especially at a time when software interfaces with a variety of supermarket point-of-sale systems is a priority for CheckRobot as we move from a development stage to an operating stage."

CheckRobot develops and markets ACM automated checkout machines. The systems are designed to improve customer service and profitability for the supermarket industry. Using enhanced laser bar code scanners and a proprietary merchandise security system, the ACM allows shoppers to quickly scan and checkout merchandise before paying centrally located cashiers.

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#90352p4159 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRANCHBURG, N.J. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Air & Water Technologies Corporation (AMEX: AWT) reported record operating income of $43.9 million for its fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990. This income represents a $9.7 million or 29 percent increase over the comparable 1989 period. Net income, before extraordinary items, of $6.5 million improved sharply from a net loss in fiscal 1989 of $3.2 million. Earnings per share, before extraordinary items, were 35 cents in fiscal 1990 compared to a loss per share of 87 cents in fiscal 1989. The extraordinary item reflected in 1990 results represents a $26.5 million net charge associated with the retirement of the company's Senior Extendible Notes and Senior Subordinated Debentures.

For the fourth quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, operating income of $10.4 million represented a 52 percent improvement from $6.9 million in 1989. Net income before extraordinary items, improved to $2.7 million from a loss of $4.4 million in 1989. Earnings per share, before extraordinary items, were 12

cents in fiscal 1990 compared to 1989's per share loss of 52 cents.

Air & Water Technologies Corporation, through its operating units, Research-Cottrell, Inc., Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc., and Residuals Management provides a broad range of environmental services in the areas of air pollution control, water resource management, and waste by-product disposal and reuse.

AIR & WATER TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION:

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

For the three months and years ending Oct. 31, 1990 and 1989

(Dollars in thousands except earnings per share data)

	Three Months Ended		Year Ended	
	10/31/90	10/31/89	10/31/90	10/31/89
Sales	$178,190	$149,837	$610,473	$606,470
Cost of sales	129,745	112,779	437,892	468,604
Gross margin	48,445	37,058	172,581	137,866
General & admin. exp.	36,558	28,847	123,105	98,427
Amort. of goodwill	1,442	1,341	5,577	5,282
Operating income	10,445	6,870	43,899	34,157
Interest expense	(5,614)	(9,317)	(34,064)	(37,449)
Interest income	1,298	1,456	5,409	3,179
Gain on sale of subsidiary stock	0	0	2,776	7,001
Other expense, net	(418)	(2,081)	(677)	(2,594)
Income (loss) before taxes minority interest and extraordinary item	5,711	(3,072)	17,343	4,294
Income tax provision	2,689	588	8,306	5,412
Minority interest in affiliate	(372)	(705)	(2,532)	(2,101)
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	2,650	(4,365)	6,505	(3,219)
Extraordinary item	1,116	220	(26,490)	2,144
Net income (loss)	$3,766	($4,145)	($19,985)	($1,075)
Preferred dividends, including excess of preferred stock redemption price over carrying value	---	($3,521)	---	($7,607)
Earnings (loss) per share:				
Income (loss) before extraordinary item	12 cents	(52 cents)	35 cents	(87 cents)
Extraordinary item	5 cents	1 cent	(1.41)	17 cents
Net income (loss)	17 cents	51 cents	($1.06)	(70 cents)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding (in thousands):	22,427	15,162	18,854	12,357

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#90352p4161 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - LifeCore Biomedical (NASDAQ: LCBM) announced today the commencement of clinical trials intended to comply with pending new FDA regulations which are expected to require full premarket approval (PMA) status for existing and future dental implant systems.

Sales of LifeCore's current product, the SUSTAIN(TM) HA- Biointegrated Dental Implant System, are already allowed under an abbreviated premarket approval classification 510(k) -- previously obtained by the manufacturer, Bio-Interfaces, Inc. It is expected that in order to obtain the new PMA classification status for these existing systems, however, further controlled clinical studies will be required to demonstrate the safety and efficacy of these products in humans.

Two of the company's three proposed test sites are commencing patient entry into their clinical evaluation programs. These centers are the Brookdale Hospital Medical Center's Department of Dental and Oral Surgery in Brooklyn, N.Y., and the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry's Clinical Research Center in Minneapolis. A third center is expected to start patient entry during the first quarter of calendar 1991.

Currently, LifeCore's SUSTAIN system is receiving strong approval from surgeons in the field. Sales have exceeded $1,000,000 in less than 11 months in the marketplace, an industry record for new implant systems.

CONTACT: James W. Bracke or Colleen Olson of LifeCore Biomedical, 612-379-8080; or Tom de Petra of First Financial Investor Relations, 612-338-7630, for LifeCore

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#90352p4165 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, Conn. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Xerox Corporation (NYSE: XRX) will continue to pay its employees called to active military duty an income supplement equal to the difference between their military pay and what they receive as compensation from the company.

This action extends a temporary pay policy enhancement begun in August from 180 days to a maximum of 360 days to correspond with the new minimum period of service set by the government.

Involved Xerox employees called to active duty by military reserve or National

Guard units and their dependents also will continue to be provided medical and dental coverage for up to 360 days.

The temporary adjustment of the Xerox military leave of absence policy becomes effective with the commencement of an individual employee's active duty.

Xerox said the company is taking the action "to minimize some of the financial hardships and insecurity for those employees and their dependents caused by their call up to active duty."

An estimated 200 of the company's more than 66,000 employees in the United States are members of the reserves or National Guard. As of Dec. 13, 38 Xerox people had been called up.

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#90352p4166 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

AKRON, Ohio (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The BFGoodrich Company (NYSE: GR) today announced its Geon Vinyl Division will build a 37,000 square foot application engineering and design laboratory (AEDL) at the company's Brecksville, Ohio, research and development center.

"Our strategic objective for the Geon Vinyl Division is to move to more value-added products. The new AEDL facility will allow us to work closely with customers in helping them design and engineer products using our value-added polymers," said William F. Patient, president of the Geon Vinyl Division. "It will allow us to create partnerships with our customers to work from concept to final product in meeting their needs."

Construction will begin immediately on the $6 million laboratory, with completion expected in early 1992.

The project follows a recently completed $26 million expansion and renovation of research and office facilities at the Brecksville site.

The project includes renovation of an existing 17,000 square foot laboratory, which will house a polymer processing facility. A 20,000 square foot addition will house a computer-aided design facility, customer conference center with 35-seat auditorium and offices for engineering and support personnel.

When completed the new AEDL facility will house 21 engineering and technical employees involved in designing, engineering and producing prototype products using Geon Vinyl compounds. The lab will move to Brecksville from a leased facility in Avon Lake, Ohio, where it is presently located.

"The new facility will enable us to compete more effectively in our targeted

markets, including appliances, business equipment, transportation and telecommunications by providing design assistance in both metal-to-plastic and plastic-to-plastic conversions," Patient said.

The facility will include offices for the Geon Vinyl Division's custom-injection-molding technical staff and design work stations and customer conference areas for BFG's Specialty Polymers & Chemicals Division and DTM Corp., a BFG subsidiary.

BFGoodrich is a major manufacturer of vinyl resins and compounds. The company also produces specialty chemical products and provides components and services to the aerospace industry.

CONTACT: Denise Bowler (media), 216-374-2633; or Tom Waltermire (investor), 216-374-2556, both of BFGoodrich

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#90352p4167 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRANCHBURG, N.J. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: METC) reported earnings today of $1.03 per share for the year ended Oct. 31, 1990, compared to $1.11 per share for fiscal 1989.

Gross revenues were slightly lower in fiscal 1990 than 1989 due to lower direct project expenses (costs that are passed through to the company's clients) primarily on the Peace Shield project in Saudi Arabia. Net revenues, work that the company performs directly for its clients, of $198 million were $34 million or 21 percent higher than 1989. Cost of sales as a percent of net revenues decreased slightly in 1990 from fiscal 1989, primarily as a result of changes in business mix. General and administrative expenses increased as a percent of net revenues from 35 percent in fiscal 1989 to 38 percent in fiscal 1990, reflecting increased marketing, sales, and project development expenditures. Operating income of $27.6 million was slightly ahead of last year's operating income of $26.7 million. Higher interest expense and lower interest income than the preceding year impacted on net income which was approximately 7 percent below fiscal 1989.

Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc., a subsidiary of Air & Water Technologies Corporation, is a leader in providing environmental treatment and services to industry, municipalities, and the federal government, specializing in the fields of water, wastewater, solid waste, and hazardous waste. Air & Water Technologies provides comprehensive solutions to air and water environmental issues, and is traded publicly on AMEX under the symbol AWT.

METCALF & EDDY COMPANIES, INC. -- CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
For the years ending Oct. 31, 1990 and 1989
(In thousands, except earnings per share data)

	1990	1989

Gross revenue	$346,338	$360,739
Direct project expense	148,123	196,785
Net revenue	198,215	163,954
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of sales	91,611	76,533
Selling, general and administrative	76,189	58,148
Amortization of goodwill	2,845	2,572
Operating income	27,570	26,701
Interest expense	(2,030)	(1,405)
Interest income	526	1,479
Other income (expense), net	(358)	270
Income before income taxes	25,708	27,045
Provision for income taxes	10,752	10,991
Net income	$14,956	$16,054
Earnings per common share	$1.03	$1.11
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	14,579	14,500

NOTES: Direct Project Expenses are costs which are directly passed through to the company's clients.

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#90352p4171 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Premier Industrial Corporation (NYSE: PRE) reported that earnings and revenues for both the second quarter and the first six months of fiscal 1991 were at record levels.

For the three months ended Nov. 30, earnings per share were $.35, up six percent from $.33 per share last year. Net earnings for the quarter totaled $19,900,000, compared with $18,820,000 the previous year, an increase of six percent. Operating revenues for the three months reached $162,630,000, a gain of five percent over the $154,727,000 a year earlier.

Through the first half of fiscal 1991, earnings per share of $.69 were six percent ahead of the $.65 reported for the comparable period last year. Net earnings increased to $39,485,000, compared with $37,604,000 a year ago, up five percent. Operating revenues reached $322,204,000, a gain of four percent

over the previous $309,084,000.

Premier is a broad line distributor of electronic components used in the production and maintenance of equipment, a supplier of maintenance products for industrial, commercial and institutional applications and a manufacturer of high-performance fire-fighting accessories.

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#90352p4172 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

STATE COLLEGE, PA. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard E. Perry, chairman, president and chief executive officer of C-COR Electronics Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CCBL) annnounced that the company expects second quarter revenues and earnings to be lower than those reported in its first quarter ended Sept. 28, 1990. Revenues for that quarter were $10,144,000 and the loss per share was $.06. The second quarter covers the 13 weeks ended Dec. 28, 1990. The anticipated results come as a result of the continued slowdown in the cable television industry.

Commenting on the situation, Perry stated, "We have moved to cut expenses wherever possible, keeping intact functions determined to be critical to meet C-COR's ongoing strategic goals. Total employment at C-COR has been reduced through layoffs and attrition from a high of 790 a year ago to 467 on Nov. 28, 1990. In addition, expense budgets have been reviewed and reduced several times in the past six months. All expenses will continue to be evaluated with an especially critical eye until we see market conditions improve."

He continued, "It is difficult to predict when the industry will return to an active rebuild schedule. Competitive pressures are out there for cable operators to upgrade system capability and service. In recent weeks we have begun to see some encouraging indications that after Jan. 1 the ordering activity will pick up from late 1990 levels. We will need to see consistent improvement in order levels for several months before we can feel confident that the market is moving forward again.

Perry added, "In the meantime, however, C-COR is actively marketing its advanced technology products. These include digital and AM fiber optic products along with newly developed minitrunk amplifiers designed for use in the increasingly popular fiber trunk and feeder architecture. First deliveries of the feedforward and power doubling minitrunks for that architecture occurred in mid-November."

C-COR, founded over 35 years ago, designs and manufactures high-quality electronic equipment used in cable television and data communication systems. C-COR's headquarters is in State College, Pa., with production facilities in Tipton and State College, Pa. C-COR Electronics Canada Inc., a subsidiary of

C-COR Electronics Inc., is located in Ontario, Canada. C-COR/COMLUX Inc., C-COR's newest subsidiary for the design and manufacture of digital fiber optic products, is located in Mountain View, Calif. C-COR Europe B.V., C-COR's European marketing arm, is located in The Netherlands. C-COR's common stock is listed in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CCBL.

CONTACT: Sally O. Thiel of C-COR Electronics Inc., 814-238-2461

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#90352p4177 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOODBURY, NY (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Comverse Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: CMVT) (CTI) announced the purchase of a large Trilogue(R) Message Management System by British Petroleum (BP) for their new headquarters in London. This is the fifth Trilogue system purchased by BP in 1990. These sales were made by CTI's British distributor, GPT (GEC Plessey Telecomms), and they represent a major success for the iSMM (Integrated Services Message Manager) which is GPT's name for Trilogue in the United Kingdom. GPT currently commands over 25 percent of the total installed base of in-house voice messaging systems in the U.K. The iSMM is fully integrated with GPT's two major PBX's, the ISDX and ISLX, which dominate the installed base of PBXs in the U.K. market.

A senior spokesman for BP stated that, "We are supplying our senior staff with the latest and best computer and telecommunications equipment available. Having thoroughly tested the iSMM from GPT, we find that it fitted into this category, and so we feel fully justified in selecting it for our worldwide headquarters and other locations."

John Meredith, managing director of GPT Sales and Services, stated that, "GPT has a tradition of offering our customers the best in the market. With the iSMM, we are continuing this tradition and orders like this one from BP confirm that the marketplace agrees with us. We expect our dominant position in the PABX market to be mirrored by a similar position in the integrated voice and fax messaging arena as well."

Comverse, located in Woodbury, N.Y., develops, manufactures and markets high performance computer systems for commercial and defense communications applications, including multi-media message management systems under the name of Trilogue.

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#90352p4178 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Edward Howard & Co., one of the nation's largest independent public relations consulting firms, with offices in

Cleveland and Akron, announced today the opening of a Columbus office, effective Jan. 14, 1991. The office will be located in the Capitol Square Building, at 65 East State Street.

Managing the office will be Wayne R. Hill, widely recognized as one of Ohio's leading public relations practitioners.

"These moves reinforce our leadership position in Ohio," said Edward Howard & Co. chairman Stanley L. Ulchaker. "We are the only firm with offices in three major Ohio cities, and we anticipate further expansion in the near future. We are proud to be part of Ohio's business community, and we are convinced that our state has a great future.

"Further, to be able to expand to Columbus with Wayne Hill at the helm is an important step in our growth in Ohio," Ulchaker continued. "Wayne has been one of the capital's leading communicators for the past decade and is widely recognized as one of the top public relations professionals in our state."

Since 1987, Hill, 40, has been director of communications for Attorney General Anthony J. Celebrezze, Jr. From 1984 to 1987, he was national vice president of community relations for Warner Cable Communications, Inc.

Hill has worked in television news in Cleveland and as news director of WBGU-TV in Bowling Green. He also served as a legislative assistant in the Ohio Senate from 1975 to 1978 and as an analyst and aide in the Columbus City Council in 1978. From 1979 to 1983, he was communications director for the Ohio Secretary of State. He is a graduate of Hiram College with a degree in sociology.

Last year, Edward Howard & Co. merged with David A. Meeker & Associates of Akron and established an Akron office under the Howard name. Meeker, who manages that office and is executive vice president of the firm, had a Columbus office from 1983 to 1987 which Hill opened and managed for two years.

Founded in Cleveland in 1925, Edward Howard & Co. provides counseling and project execution in general corporate and financial relations, environmental communications, public affairs, marketing communications, employee communications and graphic design. It has 40 employees.

Three of the firm's clients this year received Silver Anvils, the nation's highest honor in the public relations field, from the Public Relations Society of America. Additionally, Revco D.S., Inc., was awarded the "Best of Silver Anvil" designating the best public relations program in the nation. Totally, clients of the firm have received 10 Silver Anvils. This is more than any other public relations firm in Ohio and among the best records nationally.

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#90352p4180 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Royce Laboratories, Inc. (NASDAQ: RLAB) today announced that it has signed a letter of intent to merge its wholly owned subsidiary, Auntel Acquisition Corporation, with Auntel Capital Corporation, a Miami based public company with assets consisting of approximately $800,000 in cash.

The transaction involves the issuance of 7,500,000 shares of Royce common stock to the Auntel shareholders (2,500,000 of the Royce shares issued would be held in escrow, subject to either distribution or cancellation under certain conditions) in exchange for 100 percent of the shares in Auntel. In addition, the Auntel warrantholders would exchange their 2,000,000 warrants for 2,000,000 Royce warrants excercisable at $.25 per share, for one year.

This transaction is subject to shareholder approval including the majority of disinterested Auntel shareholders, a $300,000 private placement being completed by Royce at the time of merger, Royce restructuring debt with several creditors and a Royce registration statement covering the securities issued in the merger, being declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Also, the transaction is subject to executing a definitive merger agreement.

This registration statement will also cover a secondary public offering of Royce securities on a best efforts basis, up to $1,000,000. This offering will be made through Paradise Valley Securities.

The principals of Auntel include Patrick J. McEnany, the president of Royce and a shareholder of Royce, and Paul F. Hicks, a shareholder of Royce.

This transaction is expected to close in early January. Royce Laboratories is a manufacturer of prescription and over the counter generic pharmaceuticals.

CONTACT: Patrick J. McEnany, president of Royce Laboratories, Inc., 305-624-1500

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#90352p4181 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUNT VALLEY, MD. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Integrated Health Services, Inc. (IHS), a health care company specializing in subacute and geriatric care, today announced the acquisition of Health Care Management Corporation (HCMC), of Dayton, Ohio. The move will dramatically expand IHS's management services division, as well as position the company as a leading provider of subacute and other health care services in Ohio, where IHS already operates one facility. IHS plans to utilize this acquisition to expand its development of subacute care beds in Ohio. Subacute and rehabilitation care account for 28

percent of IHS's revenue.

Acquisition of HCMC's management business of 12 nursing care facilities in Ohio and Western Pennsylvania, as well as the purchase of four of HCMC's premier nursing care centers in the Dayton and Cleveland areas, will add 1,731 beds to IHS operations. With this latest in a stream of growth announcements, IHS will operate 5,718 beds in 42 facilities. IHS now operates subacute and geriatric health care facilities in 16 states. The company has a 120-bed subacute facility under construction in Greenburg, Pa., which will open in the spring of 1991.

"One year ago we stated our intent to dramatically expand the management component of our business as a strategy of expanding into the subacute market via non-capital intensive growth," said Robert N. Elkins, chairman and co-founder of IHS. The purchase of HCMC represents fulfillment of the commitment we made to develop a significant management services division within IHS," Elkins stated.

IHS was formed in May 1986 by co-founders Robert Elkins and Timothy Nicholson. The company provides services to patients requiring subacute care at lower cost than can be offered in acute care hospitals, as well as other health care services for the elderly.

IHS is a privately held company.

CONTACT: Richard F. Lazarnick of IHS, 301-727-3017; or Anthony J. Russo of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for IHS

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#90352p4183 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALABASAS, CALIF. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Players International, Inc. (NASDAQ: PLAY), announced today that, through a wholly-owned subsidiary, it has entered into a joint venture with Peoples Telephone Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: PTEL), to provide information services to the public pay telephone and hospitality markets.

Under the terms of the agreement, the companies will develop and distribute information and game programming developed by Players International, including Phone Jeopardy! and Phone Wheel of Fortune, to telephone users at hotels and pay telephones. This service, to be offered at competitive prices, will provide both the hospitality and pay telephone industries with a new source of revenues.

"This agreement represents a significant opportunity for both of our companies " said Stanley Harfenist, president of Players International. "It will be an important source of future revenues, and is a logical extension of our current product line."

In discussing the agreement, Jim Smith, president of People's Telephone, said, "We are excited about the opportunity presented by this venture with Players International, especially in light of Players' proven ability to develop the most innovative and successful information and game programming. Phone Jeopardy! and Phone Wheel of Fortune are only the first of a full network of games under development, all of which will be made available to the pay telephone and hospitality markets."

Separately, Players International announced that the recent promotion for its 900 viewer game, "Wheel of Fortune", generated a record-breaking 4.7 million calls, significantly exceeding expectations. The promotion, which was linked with the television version of "Wheel of Fortune", was the largest 900 number interactive promotion in entertainment history.

Along with an opportunity to significantly boost the television program's ratings and promote Phone Wheel of Fortune, the promotion was developed as a charity vehicle. Over $1 million in toys was donated to Toys for Tots, making it the single largest donation in the charity's history.

The promotion, produced in conjunction with King World and JEP, a unit of Merv Griffin Enterprises, was a combination of a telephone version of Wheel of Fortune and a sweepstakes. All callers who phoned with the correct answer to the puzzle, which was broadcast on the television show from Nov. 1-22, qualified to participate in a sweepstake. In addition, they were mailed promotional material on the daily Phone Wheel of Fortune and Phone Jeopardy! games, along with coupons from Pizza Hut.

The success of this promotion, and the millions of viewers reached through the tie-in with the television program, provide a high level of visibility and support for the nationwide launch of Player's ongoing Phone Wheel of Fortune game. The promotion, scheduled to begin Jan. 1, will include television, print and direct mail advertising for the game.

Players International specializes in the marketing of numerous services and products to the gaming and entertainment industries. Players Club is a membership club with over 100,000 members, designed to deliver discounts and other benefits to recreational gamers; International Gaming Promotions markets gaming tournaments and special events; Players World Travel is a full-service travel agency; the company markets electronic cash advance systems; and operates cruise ship casinos.

CONTACT: JoAnn Horne of Morgen-Walke Associates, 212-986-5900, for Players International

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#90352p4190 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Graphics Information Inc., a Denver-based producer of petroleum mapping databases, today announced the appointment of Kelly Hickel as president and CEO.

Hickel, who most recently served as president of Miniscribe during that company's turnaround period, brings more than a quarter of a century of management experience to his new position. A graduate of Indiana University, Hickel will meet in Denver this week with top management and the field sales force to announce future plans for the firm.

CONTACT: Steve Mulvihill of Graphics Information Inc., 303-830-8800

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#90352p4193 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - R. James Macaleer, chairman of the board of directors of Shared Medical Systems Corp. (NASDAQ: SMED), today announced the company's regular quarterly dividend of 21 cents per share.

The dividend is payable on January 15, 1991, to stockholders of record on December 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Terrence W. Kyle, vp-finance of Shared Medical Systems, (215) 296-6300.

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#90352p4194 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Congress Credit Corporation and Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B. (NASDAQ: PFBS) said today that Congress Credit has acquired approximately $28 million in loans, representing most of the asset-based loan portfolio of Ponce Federal.

Congress Credit is a subsidiary of New York-based Congress Financial Corp, which has been acquiring asset-backed loan portfolios for several years. Last year, it bought a $40 million portfolio from Signal Capital Corporation and $30 million in loans from Shawmut Credit Corp.

"The acquisition represents our continued commitment to the Puerto Rican economy and to local industry. Our growth strategy includes prudent purchases of attractive portfolios as they become available," said Miguel Vazquez, senior vice president of Congress.

"The transaction reduces the bank's commercial business loan portfolio and will enhance our ability to concentrate on the more traditional thrift areas of residential mortgage lending," said Hans H. Hertell, president of Ponce Federal.

Congress Financial Corporation, a subsidiary of CoreStates Financial Corp (NASDAQ: CSFN), a Philadelphia-based bank holding company with assets of $23.3 billion, provides a full range of asset-based lending services that includes loans on receivables, inventory and equipment; import financing and factoring; and financing leveraged buyouts, acquisitions and turnaround situations.

Ponce Federal Bank, F.S.B., with assets of $1.3 billion, is the second-largest thrift institution in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. The bank is a federally chartered, full-service financial institution headquartered in the southern coastal city of Ponce, Puerto Rico. The bank maintains an island-wide network of 26 branches as well as executive offices in both Ponce and Hato Rey, the financial center of metropolitan San Juan.

CONTACT: Miguel Vazquez, senior vice president of Congress Credit Corp., 809-754-6560, or Hans H. Hertell, president of Ponce Federal Bank, 809-758-4200

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#90352p4195 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DES MOINES, IOWA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Howard Harris, senior vice president and chief financial officer, announced today the board of directors of First Interstate of Iowa Inc. (NASDAQ: FIIA), a multi-bank holding company, recently authorized management to purchase up to $3,000,000 of the company's common stock and 9 percent convertible subordinated capital notes through open market and negotiated purchases.

Harris noted that since Oct. 30, 1990, the company has purchased 71,600 shares of its common stock at an average cost of $4.45 per share. The common stock purchased by the company amounts to .6 percent of the shares currently outstanding. The market price of the common stock of First Interstate of Iowa Inc. closed at $4.75 per share on Dec. 17, 1990.

First Interstate of Iowa Inc. owns the controlling interest in 12 Iowa banks and a computer services company. The banks operate 33 locations in numerous Iowa cities including Algona, Cresco, Des Moines, Estherville, Fort Dodge, Greenfield, Kalona, Marengo, Mason City, Sigourney, Sioux City, Spencer and Urbandale.

CONTACT: Howard R. Harris II, Sr. VP, CFO and Treasurer, First Interstate of Iowa Inc., 515-245-7134/

-30- 1382

#90352p4197 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENVILLE, SC (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Walter E. Bartlett, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Multimedia, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MMED) announced today the Multimedia Board of Directors has proposed to effect a three-for-one split of its stock in the form of a stock dividend, subject to

the approval of an increase in authorized shares from thirty million to one hundred million.

Authorization for the new share will be voted on at the company's annual meeting on April 17, 1991. March 1, 1991 is the Record Date for determining shareholders who are entitled to receive notice of the Annual Shareholders Meeting and who are eligible to vote.

If the new share authorization is approved at the Annual Shareholders Meeting, the proposed stock split would be accomplished by issuing a dividend of two shares of the Company's stock for each outstanding share.

Multimedia, Inc. is a diversified media communications company which publishes 13 daily and 49 non-daily newspapers, owns and operates four television and eight radio stations and a video production company, operates more than 100 cable franchises in four states, and produces and syndicates quality television programming, including the Phil Donahue and Sally Jessy Raphael shows.

CONTACT: Elizabeth S. Mills, Vice President, Corportate Communications, Multimedia, Inc., (803) 298-4393, or (803) 298-4389.

-30- 1580

#90352p4198 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR), announced that it has obtained an extension until Dec. 19, 1990 of payments due holders of certain notes and warrants and until Dec. 28, 1990 of its commitment to its senior lenders to raise $15 million of equity as discussions continue with respect to the resolution of the remaining issues and the preparation of difinitive documents under the company's previously announced agreement in principle with its bank lenders involved in the restructuring of Jacor's obligations to the banks and the holders of certain notes and warrants.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

CONTACT: R. Christopher Weber or Jon M. Berry, 513-621-1300, both of Jacor Communications, Inc.

-30- 1174

#90352p4200 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

PARK RIDGE, ILL. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Brand Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: BRAN) announced today that it intends to take a non-recurring pretax restructuring charge in the fourth quarter of this year of $6 million. This

charge is expected to reduce the company's after-tax earnings for the quarter by approximately $.17 per share.

The restructuring charge principally reflects the anticipated costs of closing certain satellite offices, relocating or reassigning personnel and providing severance benefits in connection with certain management changes undertaken to realize greater integration with Chemical Waste Management Inc., which in October of this year increased its ownership in Brand to approximately 52.5 percent on a fully diluted basis.

Separately, Chemical Waste has advised Brand that it expects to exercise the last installment of its option to acquire additional shares of Brand's common stock. The exercise of this installment is the final step of an option agreement which Brand and Chemical Waste entered into in September 1988. Pursuant to the exercise, Chemical Waste will increase its ownership in Brand to 55 percent on a fully diluted basis.

The Brand Companies is the nation's leading supplier of asbestos abatement, scaffolding and related industrial and environmental services.

CONTACT: Harold W. Ingalls, CFO of Brand, 708-298-1200

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#90352p4204 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

PLYMOUTH, MICH. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Highland Superstores, Inc. (NASDAQ: HIGH) today reported a loss of $4,831,000 on sales volume of $193.1 million or $.26 per share for the third quarter of fiscal 1990 and a loss for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990, of $13,550,000 on sales volume of $574.9 million or $.74 per share. The company also indicated that sales for the fourth quarter to date continue to be weak and the company does not anticipate significant improvement in the foreseeable future.

The company also announced that it has retained the investment banking firm of Lehman Brothers to assist it in exploring the prospects for the raising of new equity capital, a merger or other business combination or the sale of all or part of the company.

The company is also exploring other alternatives for improving its ongoing operating and cash position in the event that a satisfactory equity transaction or sale does not materialize in the near future. Included in the alternatives under consideration is a possible restructuring of the company. In the interim, the company is attempting to negotiate with its bank lenders a deferral of the seasonal reduction in borrowings outstanding scheduled to occur on Jan. 1, 1991.

Highland Superstores, Inc., headquartered in Plymouth (Detroit), currently operates 92 consumer electronics and appliance retail stores in Michigan, Ohio

Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, New York and Texas.

HIGHLAND SUPERSTORES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Unaudited)
(Dollar amounts in thousands, except per-share data)

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31		Nine Months Ended Oct. 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales and other revenues	$193,059	$212,985	$574,864	$607,995
Cost and expenses:				
Cost of sales:	133,703	143,300	396,476	413,630
Selling, general and admin. expenses	64,005	64,874	191,858	201,802
Operating income (loss)	(4,649)	4,811	(13,470)	(7,437)
Other income (expense):				
Interest income	146	134	482	439
Interest expense	(3,089)	(2,780)	(8,257)	(8,513)
Other	44	276	73	450
Total	(2,899)	(2,370)	(7,702)	(7,624)
Income (loss) before income taxes	(7,548)	2,441	(21,172)	(15,061)
Provision (credit) for income taxes	(2,717)	881	(7,622)	(5,437)
Net income (loss)	$ (4,831)	$ 1,560	$(13,550)	$ (9,624)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	18,257,840	18,257,840	18,257,840	18,257,840
Net income (loss) per share	$ (.26)	$ .09	$ (.74)	$ (.53)
Stores (open at end of period)	92	88	92	93

HIGHLAND SUPERSTORES, INC. AND SUBISIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Dollar amounts in thousands)

	Oct. 31, 1990 (Unaudited)	Oct. 31, 1989 (Unaudited)	Jan. 31, 1990
ASSETS:			
Current assets:			
Cash and equivalents	$ 7,703	$ 6,228	$ 9,614
Receivables	8,038	9,662	9,967
Merchandise inventory	208,752	247,631	178,742
Prepaid expenses	6,597	2,587	6,329
Total current assets	231,090	266,108	204,652
Investments	3,657	3,663	3,674

Property and equipment, net	197,532	163,986	176,428
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	57,888	42,843	46,429
Total	139,644	121,143	129,999
Other assets	508	902	873
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 374,899	$ 391,816	$ 339,198
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities:			
Short-term borrowings	$ 43,000	$ 52,000	---
Accounts payable	58,164	70,871	45,466
Accrued liabilities and other	63,279	53,497	64,725
Accrual for restructuring	3,199	---	16,244
Total current liabilities	167,642	176,368	126,435
Long-term debt	92,481	81,286	84,497
Deferred income taxes	5,318	8,398	5,258
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	109,458	125,764	123,008
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	$ 374,899	$ 391,816	$ 339,198

CONTACT: Ira Mondry or Yale Levin of Highland Superstores, Inc., 313-451-3520

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CLAREMONT, NC (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - WSMP, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: WSMP) reported revenues of $14,183,000 for the third quarter ended November 2, 1990, a decrease from $14,667,000 reported for the third quarter of last year. The net loss for the current year third quarter was $483,000, a decline from the net earnings of $62,000 reported for the third quarter of the prior year. Based on 2,053,759 and 2,127,849 weighted average shares in each period respectively, the loss per share was $.23 for the third quarter of this year compared to net earnings per share of $.03 in the same period of last year.

For the nine months ended November 2, 1990, the Company reported revenues of $43,428,000, a decrease from $44,136,000 for the same period of the prior year. A net loss of $1,117,000 was reported for the first nine months of the current fiscal year compared to net earnings of $352,000 for the same period of the prior year. The current year loss includes a $256,000 net of tax charge recorded in the second quarter for the estimated losses of closing various restaurant units. Based on 2,069,804 and 2,164,353 weighted average shares in each period respectively, the loss per share was $.54 for the first nine months of Fiscal 1991 compared to net earnings per share of $.16 in the same period of last year.

WSMP now operates 39 restaurants in seven southeastern states, 35 of which are Western Steer Family Steakhouse units. The Company also franchises 112 Western Steer Family Steakhouses in eleven states and 9 Prime Sirloin Steak and Seafood Restaurants in three states. In addition, WSMP operates ham curing and bakery manufacturing divisions at its corporate location in Claremont, N.C.

CONTACT: Richard G. Craft, Group Vice-President Accounting & Reporting, WSMP, Inc., 704-459-7626

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#90352p4206 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

WARREN, OH (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Copperweld Steel Company announced today the start up of its newly modernized 12-inch mill complex. The new mill will make Copperweld Steel Company a leader in alloy and carbon bar technology in sizes 5/8 to 3-1/2 inches. The modernization began in April 1989 with the installation of a new mill reheating furnace. The furnace is a natural gas, top and botton fired, walking beam, side charge and discharge recuperated furnace with ancillary charging and discharging equipment. Such design permits rapid heating, uniformity of temperature and minimal decarburization and oxidation of the steel's surface.

A new Tekisun Bar Sizing Mill is also part of the modernization project. This mill will provide precision rolling tolerances and exact size -- rolling in sizes from 1-3/8 to 3-1/2 inch rounds. Basic engineering of the new furnace and the sizing mill was provided by Daido Steel Co., Ltd. of Japan as part of the technological agreement between Copperweld and Daido instituted during 1987. An added advantage to this agreement is having Daido engineers on site for precise operation of the equipment beginning with the first bar through the new facility.

In addition, there are new and improved alternating vertical and horizontal roll stands for improved surface quality, cylindrical roller bearings and separate thrust bearings for exact size tolerances and no-scratch guide and roller features. These mills consist of three new vertical mill housings, three totally refurbished horizontal mill housings and two totally rebuilt intermediate mills. These exacting control mills, along with the Tekisun sizing mill, will provide a superior quality bar and serve as a breakdown mill for the existing small diameter finishing line. These features will allow for improved bar tolerances to within 1/4 of the AISI standards and make Copperweld Steel the best dimension control mill in the United States for bars ranging from 5/8 to 3-1/2 inch rounds.

The complex also boasts new metallurgical cooling beds added to the Tekisun mill enabling the product to feed through its new hot abrasive saw for parting. This new abrasive saw will be water-cooled to prevent burning and will improve square cut ends and minimize end burrs. Downstream there are

additional metallurgical cooling tables to assure quality products off the complex. Servicing the new complex are new bins, roll turning machine and an overhead crane.

The completion of the $26 million project allows Copperweld to offer its newest and most precise product -- AQU-BAR(TM). Providing significant cost savings to customers, AQU-BAR(TM) will be marketed primarily for use in forging or machining operations. AQU-BAR(TM) boasts precision tolerances, decarburization control and seam depth control. W.L. Weeks, president and CEO stated the new mill, combined with both billet and finished bar ultrasonic inspection, will provide the ultimate in quality assured hot rolled bars. In addition, Weeks stated that the company is presently in the engineering stages of an additional capital investment of $14.5 million, the details of which will be released early next year.

CONTACT: W. Lawrence Weeks of Copperweld Steel Co., 216-841-6500.

-30- 3466

#90352p4207 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of United Dominion Realty Trust (NYSE: UDR), a Richmond, Virginia based REIT, has declared a fourth quarter 1990 dividend in the amount of $.31 per share. This dividend is payable on January 31, 1991, to all shareholders of record as of January 11, 1991.

United Dominion is a self-administered equity and real estate investment trust that owns primarily apartments and also shopping centers within the Southeast, from Virginia to Georgia. The Trust has paid quarterly dividends continuously since 1973, its first full year of operations. Its common stock is traded on the new York Stock Exchange under the symbol UDR.

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#90352p4208 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

WATERTOWN, MA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Ionics, Incorporated (NYSE: ION) announced today that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commssion for the public offering of 1 million shares of common stock. The company has granted the underwriters the option to sell an additional 150,000 shares to cover over-allotments.

The net proceeds to the company from the offering will be used for the repayment of certain bank debt, for working capital and general corporate purposes and to support further expansion of the company's business. PaineWebber Incorporated (lead manager) and Raymond James & Associates, Inc.

are managing the offering.

Ionics is a separations technology company involved worldwide in the manufacture and sale of membranes and related equipment for the purification of water, in the supply of purified water and water treatment chemicals, and in the sale of bottled water and home water purifiers.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any State in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such State.

Ionics' principal offices are located at 65 Grove St., Watertown, Mass., 02172. For a copy of the prospectus for this offering, contact PaineWebber Incorporated, 1000 Harbor Blvd., Weehawken, N.J. 07087, Attn: Prospectus Department; or Raymond James & Associates, Inc., 880 Carillon Parkway, St. Petersburg, Fla. 33716, Attn: Prospectus Clerk.

CONTACT: A.T. Coughlin of Ionics, Incorporated, 617-926-2500

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#90352p4211 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOUISVILLE, KY. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Humana Inc. (NYSE: HUM) reported a 14 percent increase in earnings per share for the three months ended November 30, the fiscal first quarter, helped by an $11 million improvement in operating income for the company's health plans.

Net income rose to $75 million or 72 cents per share from $63 million or 63 cents in the corresponding period a year ago as revenues grew to $1.3 billion from $1.1 billion the year before.

Operating income of Humana's health plans increased to $17 million from $6 million a year ago, while operating income of the company's 83 hospitals rose to $153 million from $144 million. Hospital admissions, on a same-hospital basis, were up 2 percent.

The number of individuals covered by the health plans increased 34 percent to 1,299,400 from 971,700 a year ago. They accounted for 22 percent of admissions to Humana hospitals, up from 18 percent a year ago.

Hospital revenues grew to $943 million from $844 million and health plan revenues rose to $466 million from $311 million. Humana hospital revenues

paid by the health plans, and eliminated in the consolidated total, increased to $79 million from $48 million.

Summary of consolidated operating results for the three months ended November 30:

	1990	1989
Revenues	$1,330,000,000	$1,107,000,000
Income before income taxes	119,000,000	113,000,000(a)
Net income	75,000,000	63,000,000(b)
Earnings per common share	$ .72	$ .63(b)
Shares for earnings per share computation	104,404,661	104,648,938

(a) Includes income of $15 million resulting from a favorable court decision in a federal tax case covering fiscal years 1977 through 1979, and charges of $2 million for charitable contributions.

(b) Includes income of $10 million ($.09 per share) from the favorable court decision, charitable contributions of $1 million ($.01 per share), and an extraordinary loss of $9 million ($.08 per share) on early extinguishment of debt.

CONTACT: Charles E. Teeple, Humana, Inc., 502-580-3613

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#90352p4216 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Tiffany & Co. (NYSE: TIF), the 153-year-old American jeweler renowned internationally, will establish its first store in Florida, it was announced today by William R. Chaney, chairman. Tiffany has signed a lease to construct a retail store in the building of the former Frances Brewster store, prominently located on Palm Beach's Worth Avenue, one of the world's most prestigious luxury retail avenues.

Chaney reported that Tiffany's 12th U.S. store, on the corner of Worth and Hibiscus avenues, is expected to open in November of 1991, as part of the firm's domestic expansion program to open one or two new stores in this country each year for the next several years.

"We have chosen Palm Beach because it embodies the elements which make a market most desirable for a new Tiffany store," commented Chaney. "Palm Beach County will see the most rapid financial growth of any metropolitan area in the country throughout the 1990s. It is an area with an affluent population that appreciates the type of quality inherent in the Tiffany name."

The Palm Beach store, comprised of 9,500 square feet and occupying two levels, will feature three distinct product areas -- salons for jewelry, luxury

accessories, and the arts of the table. The new Tiffany store is a real estate project of Metropolitan Partnership Limited, the highly acclaimed firm which also worked on Tiffany & Co.'s Vienna, Va. store, serving the metropolitan Washington area, which opened in April 1990. The opening of Tiffany's Palm Beach store is subject to necessary local government approvals of plans put forth by Metropolitan Partnership.

Tiffany & Co. merchandise offerings include an extensive selection of fine jewelry, sterling silverware, china, crystal, watches, clocks, stationery, leather goods, scarves, and fragrance. In addition to its New York store, Tiffany operates retail stores in Atlanta, Beverly Hills, Boston, Chicago, Costa Mesa, Dallas, Houston, Philadelphia, San Francisco, and Vienna, Va. Exclusive Tiffany merchandise is also offered through the Corporate Division and Tiffany Selections catalogs. International retail sales are made though Mitsukoshi department stores and a wholesale distributor in Japan, two Tiffany stores in Hong Kong, Tiffany stores in Taipei, London, Munich, and Zurich, and though Faraone stores in Milan and Florence.

CONTACT: Barbara Corvino of Tiffany & Co., 212-605-4696

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#90352p4220 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRINGTON PARK, NJ (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - United Water Resources (NYSE: UWR) today announced that its pending acquisition of the water operations and related assets of Pennsylvania Enterprises, Inc. (NASDAQ: PENT), terminated on Dec. 16, 1990.

On Nov. 16, United Water announced that its board of directors had determined not to proceed with the pending acquisition because the company's financial advisor had informed the board that it was unable to render an opinion that the proposed transaction was fair to United Water. Receipt of such an opinion was a condition to United Water's obligation to proceed with the transaction.

CONTACT: Martha Green or Carolyn M. Iglesias of United Water, 201-784-9434, or after hours and weekends, 201-487-0011.

-30- 927
#90352p4227 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Nicole Bru, president, chief executive officer and controlling shareholder of the UPSA Group, and Richard L. Gelb, chairman and chief executive officer of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (NYSE: BMY), today announced that Bristol-Myers Squibb has completed the acquisition of a significant minority interest in the UPSA Group for an undisclosed amount of cash.

French government authorities approved the investment in October. Dr. Bru will

continue as president and chief executive officer of UPSA. Under the terms of agreement, Bristol-Myers Squibb will cooperate with UPSA to develop UPSA's product range on a worldwide basis and also has the opportunity to acquire the remaining shares of UPSA in the longer term, subject to approval of the appropriate French government authorities.

UPSA is the largest privately held self-medication drug company in Europe -- with a broad range of ethical and nonprescription pharmaceuticals, including analgesic, cough/cold, vitamin, anti- inflammatory, cardiovascular and other products -- and is a world leader in effervescent technology. It is ranked second in the overall European market for analgesics, is the market leader in France and has strong positions in Belgium as well as a growing presence in Italy and Spain.

Bristol-Myers Squibb is a diversified pharmaceutical company whose principal products are pharmaceuticals, consumer products, medical devices and nutritionals.

CONTACT: Jon Weisberg of Bristol-Myers Squibb, 212-546-4343; or Guy Bourdin of UPSA Group, 011-33-1-47-49-05-00

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#90352p4228 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

OVERLAND PARK, KS (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Yellow Freight System Inc. announced it will decrease its 2.6 percent fuel surcharge to 2.0 percent effective Monday, Dec. 24, due to a reduction in fuel costs.

"Yellow's decision to reduce its surcharge to 2.0 percent comes in response to a significant decline in fuel costs over the past two weeks," said Yellow Freight President and Chief Executive Officer George E. Powell III. "We are pleased that we have the opportunity to reduce the surcharge. The reduction reflects our commitment to customers that we will immediately pass along any decline in fuel costs."

Yellow's surcharge is based only on the increased cost of fuel since July levels and as such is a cost-based surcharge.

Powell said Yellow would continue to monitor fuel costs and would make further adjustments depending upon the price of fuel. "Should fuel prices decline to July levels, we will immediately suspend the surcharge," he said.

Yellow Freight System Inc. serves customers in all 50 of the United States, Puerto Rico and six Canadian provinces. Over 30,000 employees work in more than 640 terminal locations. In 1989 the company earned revenue in excess of $2.2 billion.

Yellow Freight System Inc. is headquartered in Overland Park, and is a wholly

owned subsidiary of Yellow Freight System Inc. of Delaware (NASDAQ: YELL).

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#90352p4229 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAKE SUCCESS, NY (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The directors of Park Electrochemical Corp. (NYSE: PKE) today declared a regular quarterly dividend of 8 cents per share, payable Feb. 12, 1991, to stockholders of record on Jan. 14, 1991.

Park Electrochemical Corp., through its subsidiaries, is primarily a manufacturer of advanced electronic circuit materials.

CONTACT: Gloria Neri of Park Electrochemical, 516-354-4100

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#90352p4232 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Rochester Telephone (NYSE: RTC) announced today that it has elected to participate in the Federal Communications Commission's interstate price cap regulation plan, effective July 1, 1991.

Price caps is a method of regulation for interstate services that puts a limit on the rates a telephone company can charge, but not on its earnings.

The intent of price caps is to allow telephone companies to keep more of what they earn, thereby providing incentives to reduce service costs and increase usage demand, while maintaining stable rates for customers.

Earlier this year, the FCC replaced rate of return regulation with mandated price cap regulation for the seven Regional Bell Operating companies and GTE. It offered the option on a voluntary basis to all other telephone companies.

"Throughout the three-year price cap proceeding, Rochester Telephone has supported the commission's efforts to establish an incentive regulation plan that would more closely replicate a fully competitive marketplace," said David C. Mitchell, president of Rochester Telephone's Telephone Group. "We believe that the incentive regulation plan adopted by the commission is a significant step in the right direction."

Rochester Telephone plans to file an interstate price cap tariff on April 1, 1991, to become effective July 1, 1991, the earliest date that Rochester Telephone can voluntarily enter price cap regulation.

In following the FCC's rules for exchange carriers electing price caps,

Rochester Telephone is notifying the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) that it is withdrawing its cost-based telephone company affiliates from the NECA Carrier Common Line, End User and Traffic Sensitive pools effective July 1, 1991. Currently, 21 of Rochester's 32 telephone subsidiaries are cost-based and will participate in price cap regulation.

Rochester Telephone's principal operating territory is a six-county area in western-central New York State. It operates 32 other telephone companies in 13 states.

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#90352p4234 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Ultimap International Corporation (NASDAQ: UMAP) and its subsidiary Ultimap Corporation announced today that they have filed voluntary petitions in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court pursuant to Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

The companies stated that they filed for protection because they were unable to raise the additional equity required in order to close the purchase of certain software license rights from Hennepin County. Filing of the bankruptcy petition preserves the ability of the companies to exercise their purchase rights.

Ultimap International Corporation said that it will continue to work on its equity financing and a plan of reorganization. It anticipates that losses on operations will be incurred for its third and fourth fiscal quarters. The company will continue to provide its customers with service and support and convert its software for industry standard platforms.

Ultimap Corporation develops, markets and sells geographic information systems. Ultimap International Corporation is traded on the NASDAQ over-the-counter market under the symbol UMAP.

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#90352p4235 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Navistar International Corp. (NYSE: NAV) announced today that it has acquired a one-third interest in American Transportation Corp. (AmTran), Conway, Ark., a privately held manufacturer of Ward brand school bus bodies and AmTran brand commercial vehicles and military bus bodies. The other two-thirds of the stock will be retained by R.E. and

R.L. Harmon of Kansas City. Financial terms were not disclosed.

James C. Cotting, chairman and chief executive officer of Navistar, said the company's primary objective in forging an equity alliance with a school bus body company is to strengthen Navistar's leading market share position as a supplier to the pupil transportation industry by taking the initiative in the development of integrated production of school buses.

The Navistar executive said Navistar and AmTran initially will collaborate in the design of integrated transit-style bus models which will be produced in Conway.

Sales, parts and service will be provided by a strategically located network of dealers selected by AmTran. Cotting declined to disclose a time frame for production of integrated buses to begin at Conway.

Traditionally, bodies and chassis for school buses are produced by different companies. Chassis must be driven or transported to a body company where the bus bodies are mounted to the chassis. Each chassis manufacturer must design its units to be compatible with the body designs of different body companies. Integrated design and manufacture of school buses offers a significant potential for improved production and marketing efficiencies and shorter time frames in the school bus order cycle.

The management and operation of AmTran will remain intact, Williams added.

The acquisition of a minority interest in AmTran does not affect current production or distribution of International brand school bus chassis. Navistar builds chassis for conventional school buses at its Springfield, Ohio truck assembly plant and will add a forward control chassis to its lineup beginning in March 1991. Navistar will continue to serve the pupil transportation industry with chassis built at Springfield for matching with bodies built and mounted at major bus body companies, including Wayne Corp., Bluebird Body Co., Carpenter Manufacturing, Thomas Built Buses and AmTran.

AmTran, one of five major school bus body producers, has been prominent in the school transportation industry since 1933.

Navistar, a major supplier to the pupil transportation industry for more than 70 years, is the North American market share leader in medium and heavy trucks and is the leading producer of mid-range diesel engines.

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#90352p4247 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Craig R. MacQueen has been named executive director-public affairs of Consolidated Rail Corp. (NYSE: CRR).

He reports to Charles N. Marshall, senior vice president- development, who announced the appointment.

In his new position, MacQueen heads the public affairs unit and is responsible for advertising and marketing communications, corporate and employee communications, and news media relations. MacQueen, 38, joined Conrail in 1977 as a staff writer and was later named editorial projects specialist. In the early 1980s he served as employee communications manager and communications director at E.R. Squibb & Sons Inc., before rejoining Conrail in 1982 as director-corporate communications. In 1988 he was named senior director-public affairs.

MacQueen holds a bachelor of arts degree in English from Ohio Wesleyan University and also studied journalism at the graduate level at The Pennsylvania State University.

CONTACT: Robert L. Libkind or Jean Kirshenbaum of Conrail, 215-977-4594.

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#90352p4248 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Marcade Group, Inc. (NYSE: MAR), today reported reduced revenues and lower earnings for the 13 weeks ended Nov. 3, 1990, as reflected in the consolidated statements of operations below.

Revenues for the quarter were $101,602,000 compared with $120,404,000 for the similar period last year.

The company had a net loss for the quarter of $834,000 or a loss of $.02 per fully diluted share, compared with net income of $4,591,000 or $.07 per fully diluted share earned in the 1989 quarter.

The Marcade Group, Inc., is a diversified apparel company. It designs and manufactures women's, men's and boy's apparel through a group of wholly owned subsidiaries: Europe Craft Imports, Inc., maker of "Members Only" outerwear and sportswear, Perry Manufacturing Company, Marlene Industries Corporation, Booth Bay Ltd., Above the Belt, Inc., and RJMJ, Inc.

CONTACT: Charles S. Ramat, president of the Marcade Group, 212-935-8484

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#90352p4250 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Topps Company, Inc. (NASDAQ: TOPPC) today declared a quarterly dividend of $.05 per share,

payable Feb. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record Jan. 18, 1991.

CONTACT: John Perillo, vice president-controller of Topps, 718-768-8900, ext. 465

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#90352p4251 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Manville Corp. (NYSE: MVL) expressed disappointment today that Standard & Poor's lowered their rating on the company's senior unsecured debt from 'BB' to 'BB-' and preference stock from 'B+' to 'B'.

"We believe that we have the financial flexibility to meet all of our debt obligations and our obligations to all of our shareholders including the Manville Personal Injury Settlement Trust," said Tom Stephens, Manville chairman, president and chief executive officer.

The Trust is seeking to restructure the way it settles and pays asbestos-related health claims against the Trust. The refinancing is contingent upon various conditions, including approval by the court of the Trust's class action lawsuit and Manville's ability to finance all of the dividends called for under the refinancing plan.

Stephens said that the company is taking all necessary steps to address the current recession and economic pressures, "which all companies are beginning to face."

"We intend to manage our capital spending at a lower rate than in the recent past but consistent with our objective of maintaining strong, competitive businesses," Stephens said. "We'll be tightening our belt and expect our competitors will be doing the same."

Manville is an international manufacturing and natural resources company headquartered in Denver. The company's primary businesses include building and engineered products, fiber glass and industrial insulation products, paper and wood products, packaging, roofing systems and filtration and minerals. Founded in 1858, Manville has more than 18,000 people at more than 50 plants and seven mining interests worldwide. Manville and its subsidiaries have more than $2.5 billion in assets as of Dec. 31, 1989.

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#90352p4252 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MI (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) today increased its quarterly cash dividend to 29 cents

per share of common stock from 25 cents per share, an increase of 16 percent. The dividend is payable Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 8, 1991.

"This increase reflects our continued commitment to improving our shareholders' return on their investment and our confidence in Upjohn's long-term future performance," said Theodore Cooper, Upjohn chairman, president and chief executive officer.

The Upjohn Company is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health-care products, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

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#90352p4255 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - North Star Universal, Inc. (NASDAQ: NSRU) announced today several management changes, effective Dec. 31, 1990: James H. Michael continues as chairman of the board of directors, but relinquishes his position as chairman of the executive committee. Miles E. Efron, formerly president and chief executive officer, becomes senior advisor to the company; Efron will continue on the company's board of directors. Jeffrey J. Michael is appointed president and chief executive officer; Michael was previously vice president, finance, and assistant secretary. Peter E. Flynn, formerly treasurer, has been appointed executive vice president and chief financial officer.

"I'd like to acknowledge the tremendous contribution that Jim Michael and Miles Efron have made to the success of North Star Universal," said Jeff Michael. "Between 1980 and 1990, the price of North Star's common stock has increased 100-fold. In addition, Michael Foods, Fortis and Americable were developed into successful companies under their leadership.

"With Jim's and Miles' support over the past year, we have embarked on a divestiture program that has resulted in the sale of several small subsidiaries. As a result of these divestitures, we have been able to reduce the level of our corporate staff.

"Over the foreseeable future, we will continue to evaluate our strategic alternatives with respect to our remaining business units, holdings in Michael Foods, as well as our financial structure. Our fundamental goal continues to be to realize the underlying shareholder value in North Star Universal," said Jeff Michael.

In commenting on the changes at North Star, Efron said, "The restructuring of the company and the sale of several of our subsidiaries has lessened the

day-to-day need for the services of Jim and myself. We plan to continue our merger and acquisition activity in association with non-public partnerships."

North Star Universal, Inc. (NASDAQ: NSRU) owns and supervises the management of businesses engaged in computer cabling and related services, health care services, and other industries. North Star Universal also owns a 50.9 percent majority interest in Michael Foods, Inc. (NASDAQ: MIKL).

CONTACT: Peter Flynn of North Star Universal, 612-546-7500; or John Mackay of Padilla Speer Beardsley, 612-871-8877, for North Star

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HOUSTON (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Harold A. Poling, chairman and chief executive officer of Ford Motor Company, has been elected a member of the board of directors of Shell Oil Company, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

With the addition of Poling, the Shell Oil board now has 12 directors. Poling joined Ford's steel division in 1951 after earning a master's degree in accounting from Indiana University. He served in various staff and divisional finance positions before being named controller of the transmission and chassis division in 1966, and controller of the engine and foundry division in 1967. In 1968, he became controller of the product development group, a position he held until being named vice president-finance of Ford of Europe Inc. in 1972. Poling was elected a vice president of Ford Motor Company and president of Ford of Europe in 1975, and became chairman of the European subsidiary in 1977.

In 1979, Poling was elected an executive vice president of the company and was elected to the Ford board of directors. He was named executive vice president-Ford North American Automotive Operations in 1980, and was appointed a member of the office of the chief executive in 1984. He was named chief operating officer and president in 1985, and vice chairman in 1987. He became chairman and chief executive officer March 1, 1990.

Poling is a director of NCR Corporation and the Monmouth College Senate, and is a member of the Dean's Advisory Council for the Indiana University School of Business. He also is a member of the board of visitors of the School of Business Administration at Oakland University, the board of visitors of the Graduate School of Business at the University of Pittsburgh, and the board of directors of the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association.

Poling received the Automotive Hall of Fame's 1986 Distinguished Service Citation award presented to individuals who have contributed significantly to the automotive industry and to the communities in which they live. In 1987, he was presented with the Leadership Award from the Engineering Society of Detroit, and was named 1988 "Man of the Year" by Automotive Industries

magazine.

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MELBOURNE, FL (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Harris Corporation (NYSE: HRS) today announced plans to expand its European presence by establishing the company's first communications-equipment manufacturing operation in the United Kingdom.

Harris said it has signed a letter of intent to acquire the Cambridge, U.K.-based TVT broadcast transmitter business from Varian Associates, Inc. of Palo Alto, Calif. Terms of the transaction, which is subject to the negotiation of a definitive agreement, were not disclosed.

TVT has annual sales of about $25 million and employs 200 people who manufacture and market UHF-TV, FM radio and other broadcasting equipment for markets around the world.

The TVT operation will be the first overseas manufacturing facility for Harris Communications Sector. The sector includes the Harris Allied Broadcast Division, the leading U.S. supplier of television and radio transmitters and radio-studio equipment.

"Establishing a manufacturing facility in Europe demonstrates our commitment to be a world leader in our communication markets," said Guy Numann, president of Harris Communications Sector. "This operation will enable us to better serve our current overseas customers and expand our focus on the worldwide market."

Harris Communications Sector, with annual sales approaching $500 million, provides one of the most comprehensive product lines in the industry. Along with radio and television broadcast equipment, it specializes in two-way radios; microwave, lightwave, and satellite systems; digital telephone switches; auxiliary telecommunication products; and complete turnkey communication systems.

Harris Corporation, with worldwide sales of more than $3 billion, is focused on four major businesses: Electronic systems, semiconductors, communications, and office equipment.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - BEI Holdings Ltd. (NASDAQ: BEIH) today reported revenues and earnings for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31.

Revenues for 1990 totaled $37,468,000 compared to $24,588,000 for the fiscal year 1989. Net income for the year was $4,961,000, or $.52 per share, compared to a net loss of $6,785,000, or $.73 per share, in the prior year. Net income for 1990 includes $3,015,000 (gain on discontinued operations) from the sale of a subsidiary, ARTRAC Corp. As of Oct. 31, 1990, BEIH has total assets of $49,628,000 and shareholders' equity of $38,460,000, or $4.02 per share.

Revenues for the fourth quarter of 1990 were $9,370,000 compared to $8,354,000 for the fourth quarter of 1989. Net income for the fourth quarter of 1990 was $760,000, or $.08 per share, compared to a net loss of $2,009,000, or $.21 per share, for the comparable period of 1989.

Fiscal year 1990 reflects a 53 percent increase in consulting and management services' revenues. Consulting and management services' revenues were $34,376,000 compared to $22,490,000 for the previous year. Consulting and management services' revenues for the fourth quarter of 1990 were $8,385,000 compared to $7,870,000 for the same three months last year. The improvement in consulting revenue is attributable to accelerating demand for real estate consulting services in several regions of the country and expanded need for corporate restructuring, regulatory and expense reduction advice growing out of banking legislation and financial industry credit quality problems.

In the fourth quarter of 1990 the company has elected to retroactively adopt the provisions of SFAS No. 96 "Accounting for Income Taxes" as of Nov. 1, 1987 and restate all periods presented. Because of the company's large net operating loss carryforwards which have been used to offset any federal deferred tax liabilities, the adoption has no impact on net income in any period presented and results in no cumulative effect adjustment upon adoption.

BEI Holdings Ltd. is a diversified consulting firm offering specialized services to banks, thrifts, credit unions and regulatory agencies. Specific areas of expertise include earnings imrpovement, strategic planning, mergers and acquisitions, regulatory advice, real estate services and human resource consulting. Since its inception, BEIH has served over 800 financial institutions in the United States and abroad. BEIH is headquartered in Atlanta with offices throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Charles C. Ray Jr., chief financial officer of BEI Holdings Ltd., 404-315-6060.

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DETROIT (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - FirstFed Michigan Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS:

FFOM) today declared a 15-cent dividend for the quarter ending Dec. 31, payable Feb. 15, 1991, to common stockholders of record on Jan. 12, 1991.

FirstFed Michigan Corporation is the holding company for First Federal of Michigan, a Detroit-based federal savings and loan association with assets of $11 billion. This is the 20th consecutive quarterly dividend the board of directors has declared since First Federal became a public company.

First Federal of Michigan has 73 offices throughout the southern Lower Peninsula of Michigan. Its Bay Savings Bank subsidiary, based in Newport News Va., operates nine offices in Virginia, and its South Carolina subsidiary, Omni Savings Bank, has three offices in Columbia.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Enterprise Foundation, in partnership with the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM), today announced a new investment fund that allows corporations to earn income tax credits by investing in housing for the homeless and other low-income people with special needs.

Congress created the tax credits in the 1986 tax act to promote long-term private investment in low-income housing. Since 1987, the low-income housing tax credit has attracted more than $4 billion of private capital for housing. The incentive has spurred the development of approximately 125,000 units of affordable housing annually.

The Corporate Housing Initiatives fund's first investor is Fannie Mae, a private corporation chartered by Congress to support low- and moderate-income housing. At the news conference, Fannie Mae Chairman and Chief Executive Officer David O. Maxwell announced that the company will invest $10 million in the fund.

The Enterprise Foundation also announced the formation of a separate non-profit group that will work closely with the new equity fund. Enterprise Housing Plus will promote "service-enriched housing," which combines housing for families and individuals with special needs with support services, such as child care, counseling and job training.

Enterprise Housing Plus will be assisted by an advisory committee comprised of housing and social services experts who can help shape and advance the service-enriched housing effort. The cost of developing and operating Housing Plus will be supported through grants from IBM, Aetna Life & Casualty and the Fannie Mae Foundation.

The Enterprise Social Investment Corporation (ESIC), a subsidiary of The Enterprise Foundation, will act as general partner for Corporate Housing Initiatives, the equity fund. A leading national expert in affordable housing for poor people, ESIC has raised more than $160 million in equity from over 60 corporate investors.

Fannie Mae is the largest participant as a limited partner in low-income housing tax credits and is making an effort to encourage other corporations to use the incentive. Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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MORRIS PLAINS, NJ (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Warner-Lambert Company (NYSE: WLA) today announced a series of transitional moves within its senior management ranks, including the election of Joseph E. Smith and John F. Walsh as executive vice presidents.

Joseph D. Williams, chairman and chief executive officer, said the changes reflect the company's ongoing succession planning strategies and the impending retirement of Executive Vice President Donald E. O'Neill. "In making these moves," Williams said, "Warner-Lambert is preparing for the unprecedented growth opportunities presented by the coming decade."

Smith will continue to serve as president of Parke-Davis, the company's U.S. prescription pharmaceutical operation, and will assume additional oversight responsibility for its worldwide pharmaceutical research and development.

The election of Walsh, president of International Operations, recognizes the increasingly transnational nature of the corporation as it continues to generate about half of its revenue outside the United States. Warner-Lambert's 1990 worldwide sales are expected to exceed $4.6 billion.

At the same time, Williams announced that Lodewijk J.R. de Vink, executive vice president and recently appointed president of U.S. operations, will succeed O'Neill as chairman of the company's pharmaceutical review board, which coordinates research policy.

In addition, Philip M. Gross, vice president and president of the Novon Products Group, will report to Melvin R. Goodes, president and chief operating officer of Warner-Lambert.

Williams paid tribute to O'Neill's 20-year service with Warner- Lambert, noting that "his outstanding performance has been marked by a willingness to continually accept new managerial challenges within the corporation, its trade associations and its community relationships."

Walsh, 48, who joined Warner-Lambert 23 years ago, has held a series of increasingly responsible finance, marketing and general management positions. He received a bachelor's degree from Boston College and an M.B.A. from Seton Hall University.

Smith, 51, came to the company last year with 25 years' experience in the pharmaceutical industry, most recently with Rorer as president of its domestic operations. He is a graduate of the University of Buffalo and received an M.B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School.

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ST. PAUL, MN (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Green Tree Acceptance, Inc. (NYSE: GNT) announced today that Jack R. Allewaert has joined the company as vice president of portfolio acquisitions. In this new position, Allewaert will work with financial institutions, the RTC, S&Ls and banks across the country to evaluate servicing and loan portfolio acquisition opportunities.

Allewaert comes to Green Tree with more than 20 years of experience in operational and financial management positions. Most recently, he was the chief operating officer and executive vice president of Valley Federal Savings and Loan Association (Van Nuys, Calif.) and has extensive experience in the manufactured housing industry. Allewaert is a certified public accountant and was associated with one of the big six accounting firms for approximately 12 years.

The formation of this new position reflects the strategic decision of Green Tree Acceptance, Inc., to aggressively pursue additional portfolio and servicing opportunities. Green Tree now services 275,000 accounts, totali ng $4.5 billion.

Green Tree Acceptance purchases, pools, sells and services conditional sales contracts for manufactured homes and home improvements through 42 regional offices nationwide. Green Tree's common stock is traded on the New York and Pacific Stock Exchanges under the symbol "GNT".

CONTACT: John W. Brink of Green Tree Acceptance, 612-293-3400; or John Mackay of Padilla Speer Beardsley, 612-871-8877 or 212-752-8338 (New York), for Green Tree.

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NORWOOD, MA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Microcom, Inc. (NASDAQ: MNPI), a workstation connectivity company, today announced a series of strategic enhancements to its RELAY product family to extend functionality across a variety of connectivity environments. The new enhancements include: the RELAY Token-Ring Gateway(R), RELAY SDLC Dial-up(R) and RELAY/transfer(R) for CICS. The RELAY Token-Ring Gateway and new SDLC capabilities are both sold as add-ons while RELAY/transfer for CICS is a new mainframe software package available directly from Microcom.

"These enhancements broaden the number of connectivity platforms that RELAY Gold(R) supports and are aimed at users requiring help in reducing their PC-to-mainframe communications costs," stated David B. Wilson, director of the RELAY Product Group. "Since the introduction of RELAY in 1983, our goal has been to continually expand the RELAY product line to support a wide range of connectivity environments and features. By extending the product to meet the changing connectivity and operating system needs of our users, we optimize our customers' investment in a single product -- RELAY Gold."

All RELAY products build on existing strengths and features, optimizing the use of one RELAY product with another. For example, RELAY Gold users can take advantage of the product's powerful programming language to streamline and automate communications tasks like log-in and file transfers. In addition, RELAY users realize an average 3:1 increase in data transfer speeds through the CommPressor, an advanced data compression technique employed in the RELAY family and optimized only when the products are used together.

As add-ons, the RELAY Token-Ring Gateway and RELAY SDLC Dial-up provide current RELAY users with the familiar RELAY Gold interface, eliminating the need for additional training. RELAY Token-Ring Gateway Significantly Reduces LAN-to-IBM Mainframe Connectivity Costs

The RELAY Token-Ring Gateway, an all-software solution that provides 3270 emulation over an IBM Token-Ring network, is a cost-effective alternative to purchasing and installing 3270 coax boards and associated cabling for every user who requires IBM mainframe connectivity on a LAN. RELAY Gold has long supported a variety of gateways, including SDLC, QLLC, X.25 and now, Token Ring.

Because the RELAY Token-Ring Gateway communicates directly with a Token-Ring Interface Coupler (TIC) connected to the host, each PC on the Token-Ring network is viewed by the host as a Physical Unit (PU). By defining multiple Logical Units (LUs) under each PC, RELAY Gold users can run multiple sessions. This translates into the ability to simultaneously query the mainframe while running a file transfer and sending output to a printer. Toggling between the

different sessions is also possible.

Microcom Inc., is a PC and workstation connectivity company headquartered in Norwood, Mass., with offices in Danbury, Conn.; Wilmington, Del.; Durham, N.C.; Caguas, Puerto Rico; and international offices in France, Hong Kong, and the U.K. Principal product lines include Protocol Modems(tm); LAN bridging products; Carbon Copy(tm) RELAY Gold, Virex(R), and Microcom 911 Utilities(tm) software packages; and ISDN products.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Thai Fund Inc. (NYSE: TTF) has declared a distribution from net investment income in the amount of 21 cents per share, a distribution from short-term capital gains of 15 cents per share, and a distribution from long-term capital gains of $1.53 per share, payable on Jan. 30, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

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ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Quebec and Ontario Paper Company Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Tribune Company (NYSE: TRB), said that its Thorold, Ontario, newsprint mill resumed operations today following ratification of new three-year collective labor agreements by eight unions representing employees at the mill.

The agreements cover approximately 530 employees represented by three locals of the Canadian Paperworkers Union (CPU) and by five other unions. The new contracts follow the pattern set this summer in the settlement between the CPU and Stone Consolidated Inc.

The Thorold mill, which has a rated annual capacity of 315,000 metric tons, has ben closed due to a strike since Aug. 14. Tribune Company is a diversified media company engaged in newspaper publishing, broadcasting, entertainment production, and newsprint operations.

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IONIA, MICH. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Independent Bank Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: IBCP), the Ionia-based bank holding company, has declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of 11 cents per share on the corporation's common stock. The dividend will be paid on Jan. 31, 1991, to the shareholders of record on Jan. 5, 1991. This will be the 63rd consecutive cash dividend paid by the corporation which commenced operations in 1974.

Independent Bank Corporation, with total assets of more than $331 million, has three affiliate banks: Independent Bank, Ionia; Independent Bank - West Michigan, Rockford; and Independent Bank, South Michigan, Leslie. The three banks operate 27 offices serving 24 communities in western and central Michigan.

The corporation's common stock is traded in the over-the-counter market and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol IBCP.

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PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Bell Atlantic Corp. (NYSE: BEL) today declared a fourth quarter dividend of $.59 on the company's outstanding common shares.

The dividend will be payable on Feb. 1, 1991, to shareowners of record of outstanding shares on Jan. 10.

The dividend will be paid to approximately 1.2 million Bell Atlantic shareowners. Bell Atlantic currently has approximately 392.6 million shares of common stock outstanding.

Bell Atlantic Corp., based in Philadelphia, is the parent company of New Jersey Bell, Bell of Pennsylvania, Diamond State Telephone (Delaware), and the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Companies serving Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, and Washington, D.C. Bell Atlantic also owns Telecom Corp. of New Zealand in partnership with Ameritech.

Bell Atlantic also is the parent company of businesses that provide mobile communications in the mid-Atlantic region and computer maintenance and financial services in national and international markets. The corporation's subsidiary, Bell Atlantic International, offers telephone authorities throughout the world a broad range of network software products, telecommunications consulting, mobile communications, and systems integration services.

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LAWRENCEVILLE, N.J. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Rodney Lay, president and chief executive officer of Advanced Photovoltaic Systems, Inc. (APS), announced the hiring of 96 scientific and technical personnel on Dec. 14 to commercialize the photovoltaic technologies.

In making this announcement, Lay commented, "This hiring represents Advanced Photovoltaic Systems commitment to bringing on board the best scientific and technical talent available to advance the commercialization of the thin-film Eureka process. APS is confident in its thin-film process," Lay continued, "and is actively marketing Eureka modules and material to the solar industry."

APS's parent corporation, Energetics Jungere Corp., owns the rights to the Eureka photovoltaic panel production line and related technologies. Solar photovoltaics is a technology whereby sunlight is converted directly into electricity by means of solar cells. Solar cells convert sunlight into electricity by absorbing photons into one or more layers of semiconducting material causing electrically charged particles to flow as an electrical current. The Eureka process enables APS to utilize low-cost production for the manufacture of reliable photovoltaic panels for use in such commercial applications as utility power systems, area lighting and water pumping systems. Eureka photovoltaic modules exceed 50W (watts) in output power and are the highest wattage amorphous silicon panels currently available in the solar market.

Advance Photovoltaic Systems, Inc. was founded to commercialized the use of photovoltaic panels as a low-cost alternative to conventional sources of energy supply. The Sheet Metal Workers' National Pension Fund, a multi-employer pension fund organized under ERISA (Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974) is the principal stockholder of APS's parent corporation.

CONTACT: Rodney Lay, president and CEO of Advanced Photovoltaic Systems, 609-799-8800, or Mark Cohen of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Advanced Photovoltaic Systems

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MIAMI (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - SafeCard Services, Incorporated (NYSE: SSI) reported record revenue and earnings per share for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

SAFECARD SERVICES, INC.

Fourth Quarter Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
Revenue	$35,638,000	$29,970,000
Net Earnings	$ 7,286,000	$ 5,940,000 (A)

Earnings per share	$.25	$.22
Average Shares	29,517,000	27,543,000

Fiscal Year Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
Revenue	$134,252,000	$115,136,000
Net Earnings	$ 26,863,000	$ 24,603,000 (A)
Earnings per Share	$.93	$.82
Average Shares	29,240,000	29,936,000

(A) - The fourth quarter and year ended Oct. 31, 1989 include pretax gains of $500,000 and $2,450,000, respectively, from payments made to the company in settlement of litigation.

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#90352p4291 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Enzon, Inc. (NASDAQ: ENZN) today announced that it has entered into a collaborative drug development program for the investigational drug PEG-L-asparaginase with the Division of Cancer Treatment of the National Cancer Institute (NCI) of the National Institutes of Health.

The drug was reviewed at a recent meeting of the Decision Network Committee of the NCI. The committee and Enzon have agreed to expand Enzon's current trials for PEG-L-asparaginase, a modified form of E. coli asparaginase, which is a mainstay in the treatment of acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL). However, allergic hypersensitivity to E. coli derived L-asparaginase occurs in a significant number of ALL patients; it can be severe and limit its use in this population.

NCI will sponsor clinical trials in centers nationwide involving PEG-L-asparaginase for treatment of newly diagnosed and relapsed ALL patients. It is anticipated that the involvement of NCI will accelerate the research on this agent.

"With the help of NCI, we hope to vastly broaden the accessibility of PEG-L-asparaginase to patients who are allergic to the commonly used E. coli derived enzyme as well as to newly diagnosed patients as part of firstline treatment regimens," stated Abraham Abuchowski, president and CEO of Enzon.

The NCI's decision to sponsor the trials was based on the results of a comparative pharmacokinetic study involving Elspar(R), Erwinase(R), and Enzon's PEG-L-asparaginase conducted at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute as well as the results of a Pediatric Oncology Group (POG) study which clearly demonstrated that ALL patients who have developed allergic hypersensitivity to E. coli L-asparaginase can be successfully treated with PEG-L-asparaginase

without cross reactivity and with apparently equivalent effectiveness.

Enzon, Inc. is a biopharmaceutical company developing improved therapies for life-threatening disease through the application of its proprietary technology PEGNOLOGY(SM), to enhance the delivery of protein-based drugs. In March 1990 Enzon received marketing approval from the FDA for ADAGEN(TM), (PEG-ADA), a treatment for a form of Severe Combined Immunodeficiency Disease (SCID).

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#90352p4297 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Land O'Lakes, Inc. announced it is mailing equity checks totalling $15.5 million this week to more than 26,000 farmers and local cooperative members throughout the Upper Midwest.

The payment, the largest in Land O'Lakes history, is a distribution of equity earned in Land O'Lakes by its members.

"As a cooperative, Land O'Lakes is committed to systematically returning the member's earned equity ownership in the cooperative. This redemption of equity is part of a larger total cash payment made to members this year and is indicative of our efforts to increase cash returns to our farmer-owners," said Jack Gherty, president and chief executive officer of Land O'Lakes.

In total, Land O'Lakes will return $22.4 million in cash to members during 1990. The additional amount reflects cash payments made earlier this year, including returning 25 percent of its 1989 earnings to members and return of estates.

The current mailing of $15.5 million in checks is going to 800 local cooperatives who earned equity ownership in Land O'Lakes through the purchase of agricultural supplies, and to 25,200 individuals, most of whom earned ownership in the cooperative as dairy producers who sold their milk to Land O'Lakes.

Land O'Lakes is a Minnesota-based food and agricultural cooperative. It markets more than 600 separate dairy food products and supplies more than 300,000 farmers from Wisconsin to Washington with a full line of agricultural inputs. Land O'Lakes had sales of $2.4 billion in 1989 and ranked 183rd on Fortune magazine's listing of the 500 largest U.S. industrial companies.

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#90352p4300 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - NCR Corporation (NYSE: NCR) Chairman and CEO Charles E. Exley, Jr., citing an extensive history of failed mergers involving the telecommunications and computer industries, today told the Judiciary Committee of the Ohio Senate that he is "resolutely opposed" to AT&T's takeover plan. "NCR is not for sale to AT&T or anyone else," he said. "We want to remain independent."

Exley, pointing to AT&T's record of failure in the computer business, said that the "imagined" synergies and manageability between the telecommunications and computer industries have led to multi-million dollar losses in similar ventures.

Exley explained that "In 1969, Xerox acquired Scientific Data Systems. Six years later, Xerox closed it down and wrote off its remaining investment. In 1972, Sperry Univac acquired RCA's customer base and hired 2,500 RCA employees. In the years following, Sperry lost most of the RCA customer base to competitors. And even computer giant IBM, after acquiring the Rolm Corporation in 1984, ended up selling it and losing millions.

Exley said AT&T's proposed takeover would result in yet another failed attempt to buy into the computer industry. "Having lost an estimated $2 billion and gained virtually no market share, AT&T now appears to have thrown up its hands " he said. "It now wants to 'buy' expertise, in the form of NCR. The history of failure in such mergers has been devastating.

"Once this proposal is held up to the light of public scrutiny, it will become clear that it is not in the best interests of the people of this state," he said.

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#90352p4301 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MICH. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Upjohn Company (NYSE: UPJ) today announced a number of organizational changes designed to strengthen management and consolidate the various activities of the company. The changes are effective Jan. 1, 1991.

William U. Parfet was elected president. Mark Novitch, M.D., and Ley S. Smith were elected vice chairmen.

W.U. Parfet, Novitch and Smith will continue to report to Theodore Cooper, chairman and chief executive officer and currently president.

Four new executive vice presidents were named as part of the reorganization.

The four are: Harold E. Chappelear, currently senior vice president for North American pharmaceutical operations and worldwide marketing support; Jerry R. Mitchell, M.D., Ph.D., currently senior vice president and president Upjohn Laboratories; Donald R. Parfet, currently senior vice president for administration; and Gerald A. Welch, currently senior vice president and general manager for the agricultural division.

Two new senior vice presidents were also named. Kenneth M. Cyrus, currently vice president, secretary and general counsel, becomes senior vice president, secretary and general counsel and Robert C. Salisbury, currently vice president for finance and chief financial officer, was appointed senior vice president for finance and chief financial officer.

The Office of the Chairman, consisting of Cooper, W.U. Parfet, Novitch and Smith, will be replaced by the Corporate Management Office. This group will consist of senior vice presidents (Cyrus, Salisbury, and L.C. Schroeter, senior vice president and assistant to the chief executive officer); executive vice presidents (Chappelear, Mitchell, D.R. Parfet, Welch); vice chairmen (Novitch, Smith); the president (W.U. Parfet); and the chief executive officer (Cooper).

The Upjohn Company is a worldwide, research-based provider of human health care products, animal health products, agronomic and vegetable seeds and specialty chemicals. Headquartered in Kalamazoo, the company has been dedicated to improving health and nutrition for more than a century.

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#90352p4302 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Niall FitzGerald, 45, currently a member of the Unilever Foods Executive, is to succeed Michael Dowdall, 60, as director responsible for detergents operations, Unilever announced today.

Dowdall will not seek re-election to the boards of Unilever at the annual meetings on May 8, 1991, having completed 37 years' service, six of them as a director.

Dr. Okko Mueller, 54, the director responsible for Agribusiness operations, will succeed FitzGerald on the Foods Executive as the member responsible for Northern Europe.

Antony Burgmans, 43, who is nominated to the boards at the 1991 annual meetings, will take over responsibility for Unilever's personal products operations when Michael Perry, 56, joins the Special Committee, Unilever's three-man chief executive.

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#90352p4305 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
BRIDGEPORT, CT (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Hydraulic Company (NYSE: THC) today declared a fourth-quarter dividend of 40 cents per share on the outstanding common stock of THC, payable Jan. 30, 1991, to stockholders of record Jan. 10.

This quarterly dividend continues the record of THC and its predecessor company of uninterrupted payments of dividends since 1890 and brings to $1.60 per share the total of dividends declared in 1990.

THC is a diversified New York Stock Exchange-listed corporation engaged principally in public water supply and water-related enterprises, including environmental testing laboratories. THC's other non-utility businesses include forest products, electricity cogeneration, and real estate.

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BALTIMORE (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - MNC Financial Inc. (NYSE: MNC) today announced it has renegotiated its secured line of credit agreement with the bank syndicate led by Morgan Guaranty Trust Co., of New York.

Under the revised terms of the line of credit agreement, as a result of MNC's having met certain liquidity requirements (including repayment today of $175 million of the outstanding balance), the maturity of the credit facility and the remaining outstanding balance of $375 million have been extended to Jan. 14, 1991.

MNC further announced that it has closed the previously announced sale of substantially all of the assets of the Leasing Division of MNC Credit Corp. to General Electric Capital Corp., the proceeds of which have been used to reduce debt by approximately $275 million.

As previously reported, in addition to the balance due to the bank syndicate on Jan. 14, 1991, $546 million of MNC Financial's Variable Rate Renewable Notes are due in January and February 1991.

CONTACT: Daniel G. Finney, sr. vp corporate communications, 301-547-4038, or David W. Spartin, vp and dirrctor of investor relations, 301-547-4410, both of MNC Financial

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ATLANTA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The first foreign sale of the Georgia Wood Export Marketing Co-op (GA-CO) will be shipped from Bob Balfour's mill in Thomasville on Thursday, Dec. 20, to Curacao, a Dutch possession of the Netherlands Antilles.

The two-truckload shipments will consist of 45,000 board-feet of southern yellow pine, construction-grade lumber.

The GA-CO, which is an export trading company, is the result of a two-year plan to serve small- and medium-size wood product companies throughout the region that are interested in exporting, but do not have the necessary expertise or product volume to devote to this activity.

The sponsors of GA-CO are Georgia Power Co., University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service, Georgia Forestry Commission, and the Georgia Department of Industry, Trade & Tourism. These sponsors are primarily interested in expanding existing industry to increase business in Georgia.

Some of the benefits GA-CO members will receive are broader and more stable markets, increased export sales, increased profit potential, marketing advantages, and shared resources, said Arthur Howard, president of GA-CO.

The purpose of GA-CO is to meet foreign demands for co-op members' products in major markets in the Caribbean and Europe. This will be done through the arrangements of export sales and the handling of financial, legal and contractual aspects for members. The export mix is expected to be 35 percent hardwood and 65 percent softwood, Howard added.

CONTACT: Christy R. Terrell of Georgia Power, 404-526-7676 or 800-282-1696

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#90352p4314 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK, (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - New Plan Realty Trust (NYSE: NPR) said today that it has agreed to sell privately for investment 4,000,000 of its shares of beneficial interest for $67 million to ABP, the general pension fund for public employees of The Netherlands. ABP, which stands for Algemeen Burgerlijk Pensioenfonds, is an institution serving 1,420,000 present and former government employees in Holland. One of the largest pension funds in the world, ABP has assets of $100 billion.

New Plan, this country's largest publicly owned equity trust, or REIT, owns 70 properties, including 61 shopping centers, apartment complexes and other real estate in 14 states east of the Mississippi.

Announcement of the private placement was made jointly by W. G. Bleijenberg, general manager of the pension fund's real estate division, and by William Newman, chairman and chief executive officer of New Plan Realty Trust. Merrill Lynch & Co. initiated the transaction and assisted in the negotiations.

In addition to ABP's direct purchase of 4,000,000 shares from New Plan at $16.75 per share, the agreement calls for the subsequent purchase by ABP of 500,000 additional New Plan shares between now and April 30, 1991 in the open market. Should the fund purchase less than 500,000 shares on the open market through that date it will purchase the remainder directly from New Plan at a price of $17.50 per share.

Arnold Laubich, president of New Plan, said the proceeds of the sale would be used primarily for property acquisitions. Specifically, he stated that the funds would be added to the $137 million in cash and marketable securities already held by the trust, which has positioned itself to be a strong cash buyer of shopping centers and apartment properties.

He went on to say that ABP's investment in NPR's shares -- the fund's first in an REIT -- will total $75 million, including open market purchases. Laubich described this as "affirmation of the most positive kind from an overseas investor on the long term value of American real estate."

Welcoming ABP as a major shareholder of the trust, Chairman William Newman announced that Bleijenberg will be invited to become a member of New Plan's board of trustees. Newman also noted that ABP joins another large European pension fund as a major shareholder, the Merchant Navy Officers Pension Fund of Great Britain, which has been a long-time equity holder of the trust's shares. "Nearly 100 financial institutions are holders of our shares," he said, "and, with ABP, institutional ownership will account for approximately 60 percent of our outstanding shares."

CONTACT: Ron Frankel of New Plan Realty Trust, 212-869-3000

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SUN VALLEY, CA. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Flamemaster Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: FAME) reported record earnings on record revenues for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net earnings were up about 300 percent to $865,017 from $288,634 in the previous year, while revenues climbed to $5,260,223 from $3,827,871. Per share results were $.43 vs. $.14 in 1989.

For the fourth quarter net income was $242,347 compared to $78,151 in the fourth quarter of 1989. Per share results were $.12 for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $.04 in the prior year.

THE FLAMEMASTER CORP.

	Fiscal year ended 9/30/90	Fiscal year ended 9/30/89
Revenues	$5,260,223	$3,827,871
Net income	$865,017	$288,634
Net income per share	$.43	$.14

	Three months ended 9/30/90	Three months ended 9/30/89
Revenues	$1,207,047	$1,216,679
Net income	242,347	78,151
Net income per share	$.12	$.04

CONTACT: Joseph Mazin, president of Flamemaster Corp., 818-982-1650, or 213-875-1590

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DALLAS (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - American Airlines said today that it has agreed to purchase from Eastern Air Lines a package of assets that includes Eastern's route authority between New York/Newark and Montreal/Ottawa, certain airport terminal facilities at Montreal and other locations, and related arrival and departure slots at New York's LaGuardia Airport. The value of the transaction is $10 million.

Under the agreement, which is subject to government and bankruptcy court approvals, closing will take place within 10 days of the approvals, but no later than June 30, 1991.

American will begin operating the New York-Montreal route within 60 days after the closing. It will become American's seventh route between the United States and Canada.

"American has strong interest in long-term growth and expansion between the U.S. and Canada," said Donald J. Carty, the airline's executive vice president-finance and planning. "The free trade agreement between the two countries creates exciting new business and commercial opportunities, and we believe the New York/Newark- Montreal/Ottawa acquisition will allow American to foster this free- trade process and give us a stronger competitive position in the overall Canadian marketplace."

In addition to the route authority, the transaction calls for American to acquire from Eastern two gates at Montreal's Dorval Airport, 10 landing and departure slots at LaGuardia, and certain other assets surplus to Eastern's

needs. These include gate facilities at Nashville, Orlando and Hartford.

A concurrent agreement also extends until June 30, 1991, the closing date for American's proposed acquisition of Eastern's Miami/Tampa- Toronto route authority. That agreement was signed on Dec. 15, 1989 and is now at issue in a Department of Transportation regulatory proceeding.

CONTACT: Al Becker of American Airlines, 817-967-1577

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WICHITA, KS (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - High Plains Corp. (NASDAQ: HIPC) announced today it is nearing completion of its Colwich, Kan., ethanol plant expansion. Construction is expected to end in January 1991.

"Our production cost savings of $.13 to $.15 per gallon will serve to protect our ethanol profit margins against a decline of up to $5 per barrel in the price of crude oil," said Stan Larson, president of High Plains. "With the new modifications, our plant produced 1,215,000 gallons of ethanol in November, representing a 45 percent increase over the same period last year." The new efficiencies will provide High Plains with increased production levels from ten million to 15 million gallons per year.

Based in Wichita, High Plains Corp. is the only publicly traded company whose sole business is ethanol, and is one of the largest producers of ethanol west of the Mississippi River.

Clean-burning ethanol reduces pollutants in automotive gasoline and increases octane levels for better engine performance without increasing gas pump prices. Ethanol demand will increase in 1991 because of the higher level of oxygenate now required in gasoline by legislation in Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, and Colorado.

Ethanol demand is expected to continue to increase nationally in September 1992 as a result of the recently enacted Clean Air Act mandating cleaner burning gasoline.

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WESTVILLE, NJ (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Mars Graphic Services Inc. (AMEX: WMD) today reported consolidated results of operations for the three and nine months ended Nov. 30, 1990.

Sales for the three months ended Nov. 30, 1990, increased 15.5 percent to $8,216,957 from $7,112,062 for the three months ended Nov. 30, 1989. Net income for the three months ended Nov. 30, 1990, increased 131 percent to $421,005 or $.20 per share (2,126,969 shares) from $182,057 or $.09 per share (1,950,559 shares) for the three months ended Nov. 30, 1989. Sales for the nine months ended Nov. 30, 1990, increased 23.2 percent to $21,632,684 from $17,550,834 for the nine months ended Nov. 30, 1989. Net income increased 9.6 percent to $717,208 or $.34 per share (2,133,252 shares) from $654,584 or $.34 per share (1,914,854 shares).

Both Mars' and DiMark's sales and net income increased for the three months ended Nov. 30, 1990. Mars sales increased 11 percent to $4,670,933 and DiMark's sales increased 21 percent to $3,573,190. Mars' net income increased 57 percent to $144,901 and DiMark's net income increased 207 percent to $276,104. The company attributes this increase to the expansion of its existing client base, the addition of new customers and the growth of DiMark's Data Center. As previously reported, DiMark generates its highest revenues during periods when it is engaged in the production phase of its projects for customers which this year occurred in the third quarter and is expected to continue during the fourth quarter.

Mars and DiMark occupy a prominent position in the direct response industry. The combination of Mars and DiMark created one of the few vertically integrated direct response marketing organizations in the country. The firm provides a comprehensive range of services including printing, product development, creative, data base marketing, production and administration to financial services, publishing and consumer products companies. Mars is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol WMD. The company's registered trademark "We Make Deadlines" is reflective of its commitment to timeliness and service.

CONTACT: Lesley A. Bachman, secretary and treasurer of Mars Graphic Services, 609-456-8666

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - A subsidiary of Logicon Inc. (NYSE: LGN) has won prime responsibility for supporting the U.S. Army's high-level command and control training exercises under a contract potentially valued at $48.3 million, the company said today.

Under the contract, Logicon RDA will provide technical support for the Army's computer-based Battle Command Training Program (BCTP) based at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. The subsidiary played a major role in developing the advanced-technology system at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) in Pasadena, Calif.

Logicon RDA's role includes modifying software, and providing engineering and other technical support for a series of major battle simulations/worldwide controlled from Fort Leavenworth.

The high-technology war games are simulated through the Corps Battle Simulation (CBS), a new and automated command post exercise driver also developed with Logicon RDA support at JPL. CBS units are installed at the five active U.S. Army Corps headquarters and at the Combined Arms Center at Fort Leavenworth. During the full-scale training exercises, senior Army officers assigned to command and control positions in the Army's combat divisions and its five corps, participate in the intensive around-the-clock, battle simulations. The realistic training gives the officers comprehensive command and staff experience without actually deploying troops or equipment, resulting in major savings of time and money.

Logicon is a leader in providing advanced technology systems and services to support national security, civil and industrial needs.

CONTACT: John C. Tuffy of Logicon Inc., 213-373-0220

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Chamber of Commerce went to federal court yesterday to challenge a Contra Costa County, Calif., ordinance setting wage and benefit rates for companies engaged in private construction projects.

The National Chamber Litigation Center, the public policy law firm affiliated with the Chamber, told the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California that the ordinance conflicts with provisions of federal employee benefit and labor laws. These laws prohibit state and local governments from setting wage and benefit rates in the private sector.

The suit said the ordinance also violates the contracts provisions of the U.S. and California constitutions.

The ordinance requires employers to pay union-negotiated wage and benefit rates in excess of $30 an hour to all workers -- union and non-union alike -- on private construction projects of $500,000 or more.

"The ordinance undermines the process of collective bargaining," said Stephen A. Bokat, Chamber general counsel and executive vice president of the NCLC. "It takes wages and benefits out of the negotiating process and sets them by legislative fiat."

The higher costs of doing business in Contra Costa County would drive businesses elsewhere, costing the county investment and jobs, he added.

Rosemary M. Collyer, former general counsel of the National Labor Relations Board who is representing the NCLC in the case, shares Bokat's concerns. "Federal labor law clearly pre-empts this astonishing effort to dictate wages and benefits paid by private employers," she said.

Bokat said the Chamber filed the suit on behalf of its 341 county members and 17,747 state members, many of whom would be adversely affected.

"The business community feels such government interference in the private sector should be nipped in the bud before it spreads further," Bokat said. "Already, at least five other California counties have similar ordinances and other governments, both in and out of the state, are considering such action."

The suit asks the court to void the ordinance as unconstitutional.

CONTACT: Thomas Love of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, 202-463-5682

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JACKSONVILLE, FLA. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Cargill today announced plans for an $8.3 million expansion and renovation of its broiler- processing plant at 5421 W. Beaver St. here, bringing total recent capital investment in its Florida Poultry Complex to $11.4 million.

"When the plant expansion is completed in 1991, the facility will be capable of supplying a greater variety of the fresh, cut-up chicken needs of the food-service industry and wholesale grocers, Huemoller said.

He said the plant-expansion project will streamline product flow in the cut-up area of the plant, add freezer space and expand cooler space. It also will include upgrading the cafeteria and other employee-amenity areas. He said the chicken cut-up department and shipping and receiving areas will double in size while cooler space in the plant will quadruple and employee-amenity space will triple.

He said the plant's current employment of 725 would increase by approximately 50 people when the expansion is complete. Huemoller said that the company's positive economic impact on the area includes annual plant payroll of about $14 million, a yearly average of $5.5 million in grower payments to approximately 100 local farmers who raise chickens for the operation plus additional payroll and inventory expenses for the complex's hatchery, feed mill, breeder farm and food distribution centers in Jacksonville and Tampa.

"The plant improvements will increase the number of value-added products offered to the food-service and quick-service restaurant industries while providing more precisely cut and sized chicken products," Huemoller said.

Cargill's Florida Poultry Complex is a major supplier of Kentucky Fried Chicken outlets in Florida and the Caribbean, as well as Popeye's and Church's throughout the southeastern United States, Huemoller said.

Huemoller said Cargill has selected Haskell Company of Jacksonsville as the general contractor for the plant-expansion project, which will create additional jobs and positive economic impact in the region. Construction on the plant expansion is expected to begin next month and is scheduled to be completed in January 1992, he said.

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HACKENSACK, NJ (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Script Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: SCPT) today announced a new product line of medical practice computer systems which are designed for the large clinic, hospital department or multispecialty physician group. Using newly developed software and hardware, these systems sell for from $100,000 to over $400,000. This is five to 20 times the price of the company's current systems.

Five systems have been sold in the first two months the systems have been available. These systems take advantage of the great data processing power available in state-of-the-art reduced instruction set (RISC) PCs, which allow them to perform in environments which previously required mainframe computers. Barry Mindes, the company president, stated that the price/performance levels and maintenance costs of these new systems are so favorable that a large replacement market for current mainframe-based medical computer systems will develop rapidly. For example, the 57-doctor Wheeling Clinic, the largest clinic in West Virginia, which is currently using an on-line mainframe to process its data, is installing one of these systems to support 100 terminals and 10 printers. The clinic will save several hundred thousand dollars per year while dramatically increasing capabilities. The Blair Medical Group, a prominent 27-doctor multispecialty clinic in Altoona, Pa., has installed a 60-terminal and 10-printer version of the system.

Mindes reported that several other large systems sales are being negotiated with clinics in the United States and abroad. With each sale, Script contracts to support and service the system as part of its ongoing relationship. Usually, Mindes added, these type systems are replaced or radically upgraded after about five years, and ongoing revenues from support and upgrades of these systems exceed the initial system price.

Script Systems is a leading developer of medical computer systems for physicians, hospitals and institutions. It has 12 direct sales offices throughout the country plus a wide network of distributors.

CONTACT: Sam Witchel of Scharff, Witchel & Co., 212-983-1060, for Script Systems

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EL PASO, TEXAS (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Travis H. Petty, who began work with El Paso Natural Gas Co. 44 years ago as a mail clerk and rose to become company chairman, has announced he will retire December 31. Petty is currently vice chairman and a director of Burlington Resources, parent of El Paso Natural.

Regarded as an expert in all aspects of the natural gas industry, Petty has held leadership positions in the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America American Gas Association, Pacific Coast Gas Association, Southern Gas Association and the National Petroleum Council.

Petty began work with El Paso Natural in December 1946, first as a mail clerk, and later as a mechanic and field clerk. He was transferred to the company's controller's department in the early 1950s and was named an assistant company controller in 1961. He was elected controller in 1965 and named a vice president in 1969.

He was elected president of El Paso Natural in 1976 and became its chairman in May 1978, simultaneously with his election as vice chairman of The El Paso Co. a holding company for the various EPNG subsidiaries. He was elected chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of the El Paso Co. in May 1979, positions he still retains, along with his vice chairmanship of Burlington Resources.

He has seen major changes in his years at El Paso Natural. When he began service in December 1946 the company's pipelines ended at Ajo, Ariz., and the firm was largely a regional operation with less than 2,500 total miles of pipeline, compared to the 22,000 miles it operates today.

El Paso Natural's major expansions began in 1947 with initial service to California, first to southern California and later to central and northern California. From a regional operation, El Paso became one of the nation's largest natural gas transmission firms which today delivers half of the natural gas used in California.

When El Paso was acquired by Burlington Northern in 1983, Petty was named a vice chairman and director of Burlington, positions he retained when Burlington Resources was formed in 1988 from the energy units of Burlington Northern.

In addition to his trade association affiliations, Petty is a director of

Texas Commerce Bank of El Paso and Texas Commerce Bancshares Inc. of Houston. He is also a director of El Paso Electric Co.

Petty and his wife of 42 years, Berenice, make their home in El Paso.

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-30- 2755

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Manufacturers Hanover Corporation (NYSE: MHC) today declared a quarterly dividend of 82 cents per share on the outstanding shares of the corporation's commOPstock. The dividend is payable on Jan. 25, 1991 to stockholders of record on Jan. 2, 1991.

CONTACT: John Meyers, 212-270-7454, or John Stefans, 212-270-7438, or John Borden, analysts, 212-270-7318, all of Manufacturers Hanover

-30- 593

#90352p4349 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 17) PR NEWSWIRE - The News Corporation Limited (NYSE: NWS) today closed the sale of its DeLuxe Laboratories subsidiary of Fox, Inc. to The Rank Organisation plc, a U.K. entertainment concern.

News Corporation announced the sale of DeLuxe to Rank earlier this year for approximately US$150 million.

The closing of the sale had been delayed by a Justice Department challenge that the deal violated anti-trust laws. A federal judge recently denied the government's request for an injunction, clearing the way for the sale to proceed.

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#90352p4350 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of San Francisco-based Transcisco Industries Inc. (AMEX: TNIA, TNIB) today announced fourth quarter cash dividends of 75 cents per share for class "A" common stock and 25 cents per share for class "B" common stock. Cash dividends are payable on Jan. 22, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 29, 1990.

Transcisco Industries operates railcar maintenance and retrofitting operations through its Transcisco Rail Services division and through its wholly owned

subsidiary, Transcisco Tours, operates a dinner train in San Antonio, Texas and has commenced operation of a luxury "cruise train" service, the Sierra 49er, to Lake Tahoe and Reno from the San Francisco Bay Area starting in late 1990. Transcisco owns 36 percent of PLM International, an AMEX-listed diversified equipment leasing company, and Transcisco also owns 20 percent of SOVFINAMTRANS, a U.S.S.R. railcar leasing company that operates tank cars with Transcisco's Uni-Temp heating system.

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#90352p4355 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Chicagoans can now access their bank accounts when they visit the post office, thanks to the latest customer convenience initiative by the Postal Service.

The United States Postal Service and First Chicago today announced the placement of Cash Station cash dispensers at Chicago's Main Post Office and seven other postal locations on the city's north, northwest, south and southwest sides.

"Placements of ATMs in post offices is visible evidence of our commitment to increase the level of customer convenience in our lobbies," said Ormer Rogers, acting field division general manger/postmaster for the Postal Service's Chicago Division. "And I'm proud to say, we're the first division in the nation to offer ATMs since postal headquarters announced the nationwide program last February."

"It's only appropriate that First Chicago should be a part of a postal 'first '" said Richard C. Hartnack, executive vice president at First Chicago and head of the community banking group. "Together we'll ensure an added measure of convenience for our mutual customers, perhaps saving them a stop in their busy schedules."

First Chicago Cash Station machines have been installed in the following postal locations.

CONTACT: James Mruk of the U.S. Postal Service, 312-765-4921; or Pete Sorapau of First Chicago, 312-407-2807

-30- 1535

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PALISADES PARK, NJ (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Metrobank Financial Group, Inc. today announced the recent appointment of Gordon M. Ur as chief executive officer of the company and its principal subsidiary, Metrobank For Savings, FSB. The appointment of Ur represents the culmination of a search process

which began in May of this year when former chairman and chief executive officer Malcolm Marsa left the company.

Ur, a certified public accountant, has over 20 years of experience in the financial services industry. Early in his career, Ur joined Lincoln Federal Savings and Loan in Westfield, N.J., where he rose to president and chief executive officer. In November 1988, Lincoln Federal was purchased by First Nationwide Bank of San Francisco. Shortly thereafter, Ur became managing director of FinPro Financial Services, Inc., a management consulting firm specializing in the financial services industry. In May 1989, Ur was appointed chairman and chief executive officer of Old Borough Savings and Loan Association in Trenton, N.J. In that capacity, Ur was instrumental in stabilizing and working out that institution's problem real estate assets. Ur has performed similar functions at two other Trenton-based thrifts.

Metrobank, which had incurred losses over the past year as a result of the downturn in real estate markets, indicated that Ur's appointment brings added management strength to the institution in the areas of strategic planning and administration. Michael B. Scaduto, president and chief operating officer, has been assigned the responsibility of overseeing the day-to-day operations and will be concentrating on the Division of Special Assets, including real estate owned resulting from foreclosure and commercial lending.

Commenting on the thrift's financial condition, Ur stated that "from the reports I have read, it appears as if the board has taken a number of positive steps towards addressing its real estate problems." He also added that, "The bank's branches are well situated and deposits remain strong. My immediate task is to focus upon the inherent strengths of the company and bring together a Capital Plan which will chart the course of the company for the years ahead " Ur stated.

Metrobank For Savings, FSB is an FDIC-insured institution headquartered in Palisades Park, and maintains branch offices in Fort Lee, Cliffside Park and Bayonne, N.J.

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-30- 2671

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NEW YORK, (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - New York Power Authority trustees Tuesday approved increases in rates for power produced at the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant near Oswego and for transmission of electricity on several Power Authority lines.

It was announced in September that the Power Authority was considering the new rates, which are needed to cover more of the cost of service.

The FitzPatrick plant increase, effective Jan. 1, 1991, is expected to increase total annual revenues by $9.3 million, or 5 percent.

FitzPatrick rates will increase by about 6 percent for private utilities, by 5 percent for municipal and cooperative customers and by 2.5 percent for industrial customers.

In a separate action, the trustees approved the transmission rate increase for the Power Authority's Niagara-Edic/Marcy, St. Lawrence- Franklin D. Roosevelt-Adirondack and St. Lawrence-FDR-Plattsburgh transmission lines. The increase, which also takes effect January 1, will increase transmission revenues by about $5.7 million in 1991.

CONTACT: Stephen Shoenholz of New York Power Authority, 212-468-6313

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Coseka Resources Limited (Toronto: CKS) and North Canadian Oils Limited (AMEX, Toronto, Montreal: NCO) announce that on Dec. 18, 1990, the Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta granted a Final Order approving the Plan of Arrangement filed with the Court on Oct. 29, 1990.

The Plan which, as previously reported, was approved by 100 percent of Affected Creditors and approximately 97.5 percent of Coseka Shareholders, reorganizes Coskea's debt and equity among the Shareholders and Creditors affected by the Plan.

The Court declared, amongst other things, that the Plan was fair and reasonable to all Affected Creditors and Coseka Shareholders.

It is anticipated that the Plan will be implemented as early as Jan. 9, 1991.

North Canadian Oils Limited is a financial and technically strong, Canadian oil and gas exploration, production and marketing company. NCO's common shares are traded on the Toronto and Montreal Exchanges in Canada and the American Exchange in the United States.

Coseka Resources Limited is a Calgary based company engaged in the oil and gas business and its shares are traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: John D. Gunn, President and CEO of Coseka Resources Limited, 403-261-3610, G. Barry Padley, Sr. VP-Finance and Administration of North Canadian Oils Limited, 403-261-4320

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#90352p4361 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of American Stores Co. (NYSE: ASC) today declared a quarterly cash dividend on American Stores Co. common stock of $0.28 per common share, payable Jan. 14, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 3, 1991.

American Stores Co.'s regional operating companies include American Superstores Inc. and its subsidiaries Acme Markets Inc., Jewel Food Stores and Star Market; American Drug Stores Inc. and its divisions Osco Drug Inc. and Sav-On; American Food and Drug Inc. and its divisions Skaggs Alpha Beta and Jewel Osco; Lucky Stores Inc.; and Alpha Beta Co.

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-30- 895

#90352p4365 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - DI Industries Inc., (AMEX: DRL) announced today that its foundation division has been awarded and begun mobilization on a $2.2 million project for the construction of 625 caissons (three feet to six feet diameter) for a major freeway extension in Phoenix. Completion is scheduled for June 1991.

The company has signed the contract and begun mobilization on a $4.3 million dollar project to construct 18 large diameter shafts (six feet to 15 feet) for the extension of the Chicago T.A.R.P. Tunneling Project in Chicago, Illinois. The awarding of this project was previously announced Sept. 25, 1990, subject to contract. This project is estimated to be completed in 1993.

Max Dillard, president, stated that this work outside of its normal oil and gas fleet should insure the continuation of the best quarterly earnings since 1982. The company has shown building of positive cash flows for five quarters and expects its upcoming third quarter earnings to exceed its second quarter earnings when the company earned $600,000 and had a cash flow of $1,300,000. Dillard further stated that the November acquisition of the Brigard Drilling assets is already running at 75 percent utilization and is profitable. In addition to the company's commercial work, its active oil and gas drilling and workover rigs are currently running at 77 percent utilization.

DI Industries Inc., provides onshore contract drilling and well workover services to firms in the oil and gas industry, commercial drilling, oil and gas exploration and production and equipment repair and sales in 13 states. The common stock of the company trades on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol, DRL.

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DOWNINGTON, PA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Chester Valley Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: CVAL) announced today the repurchase of 108,000 shares of the company's stock at $8 per share.

This repurchase is in addition to the 100,000 shares repurchased on Dec. 14, 1990. Book value at Sept. 30, 1990, was $15.20, based on the 1,150,557 shares which were then outstanding. Based on the current 942,557 shares currently outstanding, the book value at Sept. 30 would have been $16.75.

Ellen Ann Roberts, president and chief executive officer of Chester Valley, stated she was extremely pleased that the company was in a position to take this action which will provide an excellent investment for the company and its shareholders.

Chester Valley Bancorp is the holding company for First Financial, its wholly owned subsidiary, which is headquartered in Downington with branch offices in Exton, Frazer, Thorndale and Westtown.

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MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Metropolitan Financial Corporation (NYSE: MFC) (NASDAQ: MFCNU) have increased the regular quarterly cash dividend on the company's common stock. Today the board declared a dividend of $0.125 per share, an increase of 13.6 percent over the $0.11 per share paid quarterly in 1990. The dividend will be paid Jan. 31, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 15, 1991.

Norman M. Jones, chairman of the board, commented, "Metropolitan Financial Corporation is enjoying one of its finest years. Our joint FDIC and OTS examination this summer affirmed our credit quality, pretax income is up 88 percent through the first three quarters of the year, and since late September we have significantly enhanced our retail banking franchise by acquiring 23 branch offices and over one-half billion dollars of core deposits. Additionally, we are delighted with the progress that has been made toward the restructuring we announced last month. For these reasons and because we anticipate continued growth and profitability in 1991, the board feels it appropriate to increase the cash dividend in the company's common stock at this time."

In other action, the board declared $0.50 per share dividend on the company's $2.00 Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A. The dividend will be paid Jan. 31, 1991 to shareholders of record Jan. 15, 1991.

The board also declared the initial cash dividend on the company's $2.875 Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series B. The stock was issued Nov. 28, 1990. The dividend of $0.51 per share will be paid Jan. 31, 1991 to shareholders of record Jan. 15, 1991.

Metropolitan Financial Corporation is a regional financial services holding company. Its full-service consumer saving bank, Metropolitan Federal Bank, Fargo, N.D., operates 118 offices in 99 communities in the states of North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Arizona and meets all the current and fully phased-in regulatory capital requirements. Its mortgage banking subsidiary, Metropolitan Financial Mortgage Corporation, St. Paul, Minn., is the Twin Cities' largest originator of residential mortgage loans. Its real estate sales and brokerage subsidiary, Edina Realty, is Minnesota's largest home seller. Metropolitan Financial Corporation's common and Series A preferred stock trade on the New York Stock Exchange, the common under the symbol MFC. The Series B preferred stock currently trades as a unit with a warrant to purchase one-half share of Metropolitan Financial common stock at $12.50 attached to each share. The units trade on the NASDAQ System under the symbol MFCNU.

CONTACT: Susanne Heimbuch of Metropolitan Financial, 612-673-1413

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HOUSTON (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Vaalco Energy Inc. announces that its wholly owned subsidiary, Alcorn (Production) Philippines Inc., as Operator of Block-C Service Contract-14, offshore northwest Palawan, the Republic of the Philippines, has completed the testing of the West Linapacan-1 exploration well.

Three drillstem tests (DST) were conducted between the interval of 5350-5896 feet. Water free oil was tested in all three DSTs. The maximum rate tested was from DST-2 which flowed 6708 barrels of oil per day (BOPD) through a 2" choke; whereas on a 48/64 inch choke the well flowed at a stabilized rate of 5051 BOPD with a flowing well head pressure of 582 psi and a gas-oil ratio of 324 cubic feet per barrel. The oil gravity was 30.1 degrees API.

This well is a major discovery for the Philippines. Very preliminary calculations of the reserves of this newly discovered field are conservatively estimated at one billion barrels of oil-in-place.

The field is located offshore in 1,150 feet of water approximately 250 miles southwest of Manila, Philippines. Deep water technology and equipment is available to develop this field. An all out effort will be made to expedite this field's development.

On the basis of initial field parameters. recoverable reserves would most

likely fall within the standard oilfield definition of "Major Oilfield", 100 million barrels of crude oil or greater.

Gruy Engineering Corp., a Houston-based independent petroleum engineering firm has been engaged to independently assess the field reserves. This report should be made available in mid-January, 1991. Additional data review and appraisal drilling will be necessary to refine these preliminary estimates.

CONTACT: Jerrel D. Branson, president of Vaalco Energy Inc., (713) 963-8869.

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DAYTON, OH (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - NCR Corporation (NYSE: NCR) said today it has retained Goldman, Sachs and Co., a leading worldwide investment banking firm.

According to NCR Chairman and CEO, Charles E. Exley, Jr., "Goldman Sachs will work together with Dillon, Read & Co., Inc. in support of our on-going effort to protect and serve the vital best interests of all our stockholders."

CONTACT: Lola Signom, 513-445-2257, Robert Farkas, 513-445-2078, Connie Olasz 513-445-1139, or Mark Feighery, 513-445-2033, all of NCR Corporation

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#90352p4376 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - National Health Laboratories Incorporated (NASDAQ: NHLI) announced today that it has declared a cash dividend of 6 cents per share of common stock.

The dividend will be paid on Jan. 28, 1991, to all stockholders of record as of Jan. 7, 1991.

This dividend is the first pursuant to a policy under which the company expects to declare, at the discretion of the board of directors, quarterly dividends equal to approximately 30 percent of earnings. Earnings for the third quarter were 20 cents per share, up from 15 cents per share for the same period in 1989.

National Health Laboratories is one of the leading clinical laboratory companies in the United States, providing testing services primarily to physicians as well as to hospitals, clinics, nursing homes and other clinical laboratories in 41 states.

CONTACT: James T. Conroy of National Health Laboratories, 212-572-5980

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BALTIMORE (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Westinghouse Electronic Systems Group (ESG) President Richard A. Linder today announced the planned acquisition of Schlage Electronics, a worldwide supplier of electronic access control systems headquartered in Santa Clara, Calif.

Schlage Electronics is a subsidiary of Ingersoll-Rand Co. (NYSE: IR) of Woodcliff Lake, N.J. Pending government approval of the acquisition and the satisfaction of other conditions, Schlage Electronics will become a subsidiary of Westinghouse ESG's Commercial Systems Divisions based in Baltimore.

A purchase agreement was signed on Dec. 13 covering the transaction. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

"The acquisition of Schlage Electronics is a key milestone in the development of our Westinghouse security systems business," said Edward N. Silcott, vice president and general manager of Westinghouse's Commercial Systems Divisions.

"We believe the access control segment of the security systems market is a rapidly growing area," added Silcott. "Schlage Electronics' world class position in the access control industry provides the opportunity for Westinghouse to apply its strong capability in electronics, sensor development and command and control monitoring."

"Schlage Electronics pioneered the development of proximity-type access control devices and continues to be a market leader today," said Richard S. Campbell, who manages Westinghouse's security systems business.

"Schlage Electronics' technological leadership is underscored by the worldwide reputation of its products. Superior delivery performance and customer service have forged a high level of brand awareness, product demand and customer loyalty for Schlage Electronics. With more than 30,000 installations in 56 countries, the company's position in the global marketplace is well established," Campbell added.

The Electronic Systems Group of Westinghouse (NYSE: WX) is an international supplier of a broad range of electronic systems and services for defense, civil and commercial customers.

CONTACT: Jack Martin Jr. of Westinghouse, 301-765-4441, or Paul A. Dickard of Ingersoll-Rand, 201-573-3120

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#90352p4383 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Flexible Bond Trust, Inc. (AMEX: FLX), a closed-end management investment company seeking total return through

investments in income-producing securities with the potential for capital appreciation, today announced that the fund's board of directors has declared a dividend of $0.1825 per share.

This dividend represents $0.115 per share from net investment income and $0.0675 per share from net gains from foreign exchange transactions realized during the fund's fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990, all of which is taxable as ordinary income.

The dividend is payable on Jan. 11, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 28, 1990. The ex-dividend date is Dec. 21, 1990. Pursuant to the Tax Reform Act of 1986, the dividend will be taxable to shareholders as income received in 1990.

CONTACT: Steve M. Joenk, 212-713-3831, for Flexible Bond Trust

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#90352p4386 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Huntington Bancshares Incorporated (NASDAQ: HBAN) today announced an offer through which certain shareholders may sell their shares without paying any commission charges. All shareholders who owned fewer than 100 shares of Huntington's common stock as of Dec. 12, 1990 are eligible under the terms of the program which started Dec. 14, 1990 and expires on Jan. 18, 1991, unless extended by Huntington.

"This plan is designed to be of benefit to both Huntington and any shareholders who choose to participate," stated Frank Wobst, chairman and chief executive officer of Huntington Bancshares. "While we value every one of our shareholders, we also realize that some shareholders holding relatively few shares of Huntington have held onto their shares simply due to the inconvenience associated with selling a small number of shares. On many occasions, some of these shareholders have asked whether we would consider helping them sell their shares in a convenient and inexpensive way. In response to that request and in recognition of the high cost of servicing shareholder accounts, we are providing those shareholders with this program."

Under the terms of the program, shares will be repurchased by Huntington for its treasury stock purchase plan. Shares repurchased under the terms of this plan will be used by Huntington for corporate purposes including providing shares for the Company's Dividend Reinvestment and Common Stock Purchase Plan, 401(K), Stock Option and other benefit plans. Participating shareholders must sell all their Huntington shares that are in the same registered name. Partial tenders will not be accepted. The price received will be the highest closing market price from December 14, 1990 through Jan. 18, 1991, inclusive. There is no guaranteed minimum price per share. Eligible shareholders will receive complete information in the mail within the next week.

Huntington has selected Shareholder Communications Corporation (SCC) of New York to manage its program. SCC has managed over 150 similar offers over the past few years. Neither Huntington nor SCC makes any recommendation as to whether or not eligible shareholders should participate in the program.

Huntington Bancshares is a $12 billion regional bank holding company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. The Company's banking subsidiaries operate 261 offices in Ohio, Florida, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. In addition, Huntington's mortgage, trust, investment banking, and automobile finance subsidiaries manage 32 offices in the seven states mentioned as well as, Delaware, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Rhode Island and Virginia.

Huntington's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System using the symbol "HBAN."

CONTACT: Debra Dendahl Hadley of Huntington Bancshares Incorporated, 614-463-4304

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OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Telesphere Communications Inc. (AMEX: TSP), a full service long distance telephone company, said today that it expects to have a fourth quarter loss in the range of $5 million, which will result in a loss for the year of approximately $2 million.

Harry Thompson, chairman, said that revenues were impacted by seasonal effects dislocations associated with the acquisition of National Telephone Services and the weakening economy, including a downturn in hotel occupancy. He noted that revenue run rates were affected by protracted financing negotiations, which caused delay in achieving anticipated integration efficiencies as well as realignment of sales divisions and execution of new products and services.

Also, certain one-time costs associated with the combination of the companies, including substantial pre-payment penalties on prior financing facilities, are being charged against fourth quarter earnings.

Telesphere Communications Inc. operates a nationwide, state-of-the- art, digital fiber optic network over which it provides long distance, operator, interactive 900 and other enhanced telecommunications services.

CONTACT: Scott L. Drake, chief financial officer of Telesphere, 708-954-7700, or David Santos of Howard J. Rubenstein Associates, 212-489-6900, for Telesphere

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#90352p4396 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

HONOLULU (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Just in time for the holidays, Unocal's 76 Protech Patrol begins roaming Honolulu-area freeways and highways today, providing free emergency road service to stranded motorists.

The 76 Protech Patrol, inaugurated as a public service by Unocal and its Protech service station dealers, is designed to help ease traffic congestion and reduce air pollution.

The specially equipped vehicle will provide weekday assistance to rush hour commuters, operating Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. in the morning and 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the afternoon.

Services available to stranded motorists include jump starts, assistance with changing flat tires, water for overheated cars and enough fuel to reach the nearest service station. The vehicle is also equipped with a cellular phone for emergency communications, such as calls to Police Dispatch (911) or contract tow companies.

Routes to be covered by the 76 Protech Patrol include: o H1 Freeway between Aloha Stadium & the 6th Avenue exit o Pali Highway from H1 to Kamehameha Highway o Kamehameha Highway from Pali Highway to Likelike Highway o Likelike Highway from Kamehameha Highway to H1 Motorists needing assistance may wave down the vehicle by hand or attach a special Unocal distress flag to their antenna to alert the service. Distress flags are available at participating Unocal 76 Protech service stations and will be given to stranded motorists who get help from the 76 Protech Patrol for future use.

For safety reasons, the 76 Protech Patrol vehicle will assist only those motorists stranded on the highway's right-hand shoulder. For cars stuck in traffic lanes, the 76 Protech Patrol driver will alert the Honolulu Police Department.

According to air pollution experts, slow traveling or idling autos produce at least twice the amount of emissions per mile as that of vehicles traveling at normal speeds.

The service is sponsored by 14 Unocal 76 Protech dealers on Oahu. Unocal bought and equipped the vehicle, and participating 76 Protech dealers are underwriting the operating expenses.

Similar Unocal programs are underway in Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Diego, Sacramento and Fresno, Calif.

Unocal 76 Protech service stations are certified full-service stations initiated by Unocal several years ago in response to the increased need for quality auto care as more stations began limiting or eliminating repair work. Unocal 76 Protech station mechanics are carefully trained and certified.

Their work is guaranteed in writing, a guarantee that is backed by Unocal.

CONTACT: Jeff Callender of Unocal Corp., 213-977-7208

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#90352p4401 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Signet Banking Corporation (NYSE: SBK) announced today that it will make a decision on its fourth quarter dividend declaration on December 28. This action was taken so that management and the board of directors could have the latest and most complete information at hand when the dividend decision is made. Dividend action was originally scheduled for today.

CONTACT: S. Joseph Ward of Signet Banking Corporation, 804-771-7210

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The executive committee of the AJCongress passed a resolution last night calling on Baxter International Inc. (NYSE: BAX), the giant international hospital supplies company, to cancel immediately its agreement with Syrian Defence Forces to build a plant in Syria, and to release to the AJCongress a copy of a report which has examined Baxter's complicity in boycott-related activities.

Allegations that Baxter was involved in the boycott of Israel were made in February 1990, when a former Baxter executive, Dr. Richard Fuisz, sent to Baxter directors a copy of an explosive memorandum on file in the Syrian Boycott Office which reported a connection between the 1988 sale of Travenol Laboratories, Ltd., Baxter's plant in Israel, and Baxter's removal from the Arab blacklist in 1989.

Based on information gleaned from the memo, Fuisz charged Baxter's top executives with entering into an illegal conspiracy to have Baxter removed from the Arab League blacklist. The gravity of the charges made against Baxter and their implications led to the involvement of AJCongress' boycott unit, which is directed by Will Maslow, AJCongress' general counsel.

Fuisz's letter incorporating the Syrian memo has triggered investigations by three governmental agencies and one by Baxter's audit committee. The Office of Antiboycott Compliance of the Department of Commerce has launched a full inquiry into the charge that Baxter's officers conspired to violate U.S. anti-boycott laws by their negotiations with Syrian Boycott officials. The SEC has started an informal inquiry to determine whether foreign bribes were paid in violation of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. The IRS, which administers a separate anti-boycott law is investigating Baxter's compliance with that law.

Baxter has repeatedly denied the charges against it and hired a prominent law firm, Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft, to conduct an investigation of the matter. Baxter received the results of that investigation on Nov. 19, 1990, which Baxter claims exonerates the company from all wrongdoing, but Baxter has refused to release the report to the public. This has prompted AJCongress' executive committee to pass a resolution requesting a copy of the report and also urging that Baxter cancel its plans to build a plant in Syria for the production of intravenous solutions. The AJCongress charged that products made in the plant, a joint venture with the Syrian Defence Forces, have obvious military applications. Syria has been on the U.S. statutory terrorist list of countries harboring and supporting international terrorists.

The AJCongress Boycott Unit monitors the operations of the Arab boycott of Israel and the enforcement of U.S. anti-boycott laws. It also publishes a monthly newsletter, Boycott Report, in which current developments on boycott practices here and abroad are reported. Among the subscribers of the Boycott Report are major U.S. corporate and legal firms as well as the Saudi Arabian Embassy in Washington and the Arab League office in Washington.

CONTACT: Andrea Binder of AJ Congress, 212-360-1541

-30- 3363

#90352p4403 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Canal Capital Corporation (NYSE: COW) announced today that the company anticipates its results for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990 will be lower than expected and will report a net loss of approximately $4 million or $1.03 per common share.

As previously reported, the company had expected strong performance in its fine arts activity. This was based on the sale of a major antiquity by the company in October 1990. However, subsequent to the fiscal year-end the purchaser reneged on its obligation to Canal. Canal is currently reviewing possible legal remedies available to it in this situation.

CONTACT: William C. Wanek of Gibbs & Soell, Inc., 212-481-4488, for Canal Capital

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#90352p4404 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - American consumers are becoming increasingly sophisticated about producer claims of "recyclability" according to a nationwide Gallup Poll conducted for the glass packaging industry.

Better than two-thirds of those polled (67 percent) believe that recycling is truly a closed-loop process with a recyclable product being made into the same

product again and again.

"Consumers' better understanding of what is and is not recyclable will make it harder for manufacturers to use misleading recycling claims in the future," said Lewis D. Andrews Jr., president of the Glass Packaging Institute, which commissioned the Gallup Poll.

As for what Americans are willing to do when it comes to recycling, the poll revealed that many more Americans prefer curbside recycling.

More than 50 percent of those polled by the Gallup Organization favored curbside recycling over returning recyclable materials to recycling centers or taking deposit containers back to stores for redemption. This is twice the percentage of people ranking curbside recycling as their first choice just two years ago.

Forced deposits, on the other hand, have declined in popularity. In just one year, the number of people ranking forced deposits as their first choice decreased by 27 percent.

Consumers have taken the "green" message to heart with 80 percent willing to switch to recyclable packaging if given the choice, the poll revealed. This is an increase of 48 percent since 1988.

Other GPI/Gallup Poll findings include: -- 89 percent of those polled think glass can definitely or probably be recycled.

-- 49 percent of the people claim enough glass is being recycled to make a difference.

-- 27 percent think enough plastic is being recycled. -- 86 percent believe enough aluminum is being recycled. The Gallup Poll was conducted from Oct. 8-14, 1990. The findings are based on telephone interviews with a national sample of 1,012 adults, 18 years of age and older.

The Glass Packaging Institute is a Washington-based trade association representing the nation's glass container manufacturers.

CONTACT: Sherrill Kropf of Powell, Adams & Rhinehart, 02-452-9526, for the Glass Packaging Institute

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#90352p4409 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHOENIXVILLE, PA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The West Co. Inc. (NYSE: WST) announced that its board of directors today declared a dividend of 10 cents per share for the first quarter of 1991 payable Feb. 6, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 23.

This is the 81st consecutive quarterly dividend payment made by the company since becoming publicly held in 1970.

The company also reported that Stephen M. Heumann has been appointed corporate treasurer. Heumann joined West earlier this year. Previously, he had been vice president and treasurer of International Mill Service Inc., a subsidiary of IU International.

The West Co. Inc. is the premier supplier of specialized packaging systems and components for the worldwide pharmaceutical and hospital supply/medical device industries and the domestic consumer products industry, with more than 85 percent of its revenue generated by the health care markets. West's products include stoppers, closures, containers, medical device components and assemblies made from elastomers, metal, plastic, glass and combinations thereof, plus related packaging machinery.

CONTACT: Stephen M. Heumann, corporate treasurer of The West Co., 215-935-4640

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#90352p4414 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Hickok Electrical Instrument Company (NASDAQ: HICKA) today announced a special dividend of 15 cents per Class A Common Share, payable Jan. 25, 1991 to shareholders of record Jan. 5, 1991. The company declared a 10 cents per share special dividend a year earlier, in December 1989.

A spokesman said that the dividend reflected the company's continued earnings progress. Hickok, a manufacturer of automotive electronic diagnostic test equipment and precision indicating instruments, earlier today reported net income of $812,040, or $1.33 per share, on sales of $10,531,222 for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Robert L. Purcell of The Hickok Electrical Instrument Company, 216-541-8060

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#90352p4420 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Bankers Trust New York Corporation (NYSE: BT) has increased the regular quarterly dividend on its common stock to 63-1/2 cents per share, from 58-1/4 cents, an increase of 9 percent. The annual dividend rate is now $2.54, up from $2.33.

The fourth-quarter dividend is payable Jan. 25, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 3, 1991.

Also declared were quarterly dividends on the following 2,500 shares of money market cumulative preferred stock:

No. of Shares	Dividend	Record Date	Payable Date	Series
625	$ 989.58	12/31/90	01/02/91	Series F
625	1,004.50	01/04/91	01/07/91	Series G
625	1,004.50	01/11/91	01/14/91	Series H
625	1,041.67	01/18/91	01/22/91	

CONTACT: Thomas A. Parisi of Bankers Trust, 212-850-1686

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#90352p4421 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Illinois Central Corp. (NASDAQ: ICRR) today announced that it would continue to seek a business combination with MidSouth Corp. substantially in accordance with the terms of its previously announced proposal to MidSouth's board of directors and would pursue required regulatory approvals.

Illinois Central said that it was disappointed by MidSouth's announcement yesterday that it was unwilling to pursue a business combination at this time, but was hopeful that MidSouth would reconsider a combination with such potential benefits for the shareholders of both companies once MidSouth had an opportunity to review information about Illinois Central that Illinois Central could make available on a confidential basis.

CONTACT: Dale W. Phillips, vice president and chief financial officer of Illinois Central Railroad, 312-819-7930

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#90352p4422 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Robin D. Carson, general manager of Busch Entertainment Corp.'s Sesame Place park in Langhorne, Pa., has been appointed president of Sea World of Texas, it was announced today.

She replaces George J. Becker Jr., chairman of Sea World of Texas since 1986, who has been promoted to executive vice president of Sea World Inc. In his new position, Becker will serve as a senior corporate advisor to the company's four Sea World parks.

Carson has been associated with Busch Entertainment Corp. for 13 years, serving in operations management positions at both Busch Gardens, The Old Country in Williamsburg, Va., and Sesame Place, which was developed jointly with Children's Television Workshop, the creators of "Sesame Street." She was named general manager of Sesame Place in 1985 and has also had responsibility for the Sesame Place Japan project, a cooperative effort between Busch

Entertainment, Children's Television Workshop and Taiyo Kogyo, a Japanese company. The Sesame Japan park opened in October 1990.

"Robin brings many years of valuable park management experience to her new position and we have great confidence in her ability to contribute to Sea World of Texas' continued growth and success," said W. Randolph Baker, vice president and group executive, Anheuser-Busch Companies Inc. (NYSE: BUD), and president, Busch Entertainment Corp.

CONTACT: Randy Myers or Robyn L. Meyer of Busch Entertainment Corp., 314-982-1700

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#90352p4424 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

HUTCHINSON, KN (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Concordia Foods Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Wilson Foods Corporation, has acquired a ham processing plant in Concordia, Mo., from Kretschmar Brands, Inc. of St. Louis. Wilson Foods and Concordia Foods are subsidiaries of Doskocil Companies Incorporated (NASDAQ: DOSKQ) of Hutchinson.

The plant will produce boneless, smoked hams for Wilson Foods under its Wilson(R) and Corn King(R) brand names. Ham production is expected to begin in the third week of January 1991.

Wilson Foods, the nation's leading supplier of hams, continually experiences increasing demand for its quality ham products. Previously, due to manufacturing restraints, third party manufacturers supplied some of Wilson Foods' ham manufacturing requirements. The purchase of the plant will allow Wilson Foods, through its Concordia Foods Corporation subsidiary, to internally control the manufacture, technology and quality of its current and future ham requirements.

Kretschmar ceased operations at the plant in June of 1990, and has been operating under the protection of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code since October of 1990. Doskocil and 18 of its subsidiaries, including Wilson Foods, filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code on March 5, 1990. Concordia Foods is not subject to the Chapter 11 proceedings. The transaction has been approved by the bankruptcy courts in both the Kretschmar and Wilson Foods cases.

Doskocil Companies Incorporated specializes in formulating, processing and marketing high value-added boneless hams, dry sausage and other precooked meat products for the foods service, delicatessen and retail markets. The company is also a leading supplier of beef and pork toppings and of pepperoni to the pizza foods service market.

CONTACT: Ronald L. Mercer, president, or Theodore A. Myers, CFO, 316-663-1005

both of Doskocil; or J. Desmond Towey or Bernadette McLaughlin of Cameron Towey & Associates, 212-888-7600, for Doskocil

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#90352p4433 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI, (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Penn Central Corporation (NYSE: PC) announced that its board of directors has approved an offer to purchase up to 5 million shares of the company's common stock at a price of $21 per share in cash. On Dec. 17, the closing price of Penn Central's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange Composite Tape was $18-1/8 per share.

The offer, which will be commenced as promptly as practicable by a mailing to shareholders, will not be contingent upon any minimum number of shares being tendered. The company will reserve the right to purchase up to an additional 1 million shares of common stock if the offer is oversubscribed. Penn Central has approximately 51.2 million shares outstanding. Carl H. Lindner, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Penn Central, said: "I believe that Penn Central common stock is currently undervalued and that its acquisition through the tender offer is an attractive investment opportunity for the company, especially in relation to the stock's anticipated Dec. 31 book value of approximately $31 per share and the earnings growth expected to result from the company's pending acquisition of a group of non- standard automobile insurance companies."

American Financial Corporation, which beneficially owns approximately 42.0 percent of Penn Central's outstanding shares, has indicated that it does not intend to tender any of its Penn Central shares. If Penn Central were to purchase 5 million shares pursuant to the offer, the percentage of Penn Central's shares owned by American Financial would increase to approximately 46.6 percent.

Penn Central operates businesses primarily in the areas of industrial manufacturing, defense services, insurance and energy.

CONTACT: Robert M. Burton of Penn Central Corporation, 513-579-6618

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#90352p4435 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA, ROCKVILLE, MD (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard A. Carpenter, chief executive officer of Index Technology Corp., (NASDAQ: INDX) and Kevin J. Burns, chief executive officer of Sage Software Inc., today announced that the (NASDAQ: SGSI) directors of both companies approved a Letter of Intent providing for the combinat ion of Index and Sage. They stated that the strategic combination of Sage and Index will allow the companies to offer its customers a comprehensive CASE solution on mainframes, workstations and local area networks. On a combined basis the company will have approximately 10,000

customers with approximately 100,000 users.

The combination is intended to be accomplished by the merger of Index and Sage in a tax-free transaction, accounted for as a pooling of interests. After the merger, the name of the new corporation will be changed, and Burns will be the chairman of the board and chief executive officer and Carpenter will be vice chairman and chief, strategy and product architecture.

Upon consummation of the merger, 1.059 shares of Common Stock of Sage will be issued to the stockholders of Index for each outstanding share of Common Stock of Index and one share of Preferred Stock of Sage will be issued for each outstanding share of Preferred Stock of Index. Based on the current capitalization of both companies, the current stockholders of Sage will own approximately 55 percent, and the current stockholders of Index will own approximately 45 percent of the total outstanding capital stock of the combined company after the merger. The closing prices of the Common Stock of Sage and Index, as reported by NASDAQ at the close of business on Dec. 17, 1990, were $11.00 and $5.75, respectively.

The combination is subject to the preparation, execution and delivery of a definitive Merger Agreement to be approved by the boards of directors and by the stockholders of both companies, as well as certain regulatory approvals.

Index also announced today that it expects that its operating results for the fourth quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990, will be lower than analysts' estimates. Carpenter stated that, "Based on current orders and results to date, it appears that the revenues of the company for the fourth quarter will be in the $11 to $12 million range, with an expected after-tax loss for the quarter in the range of approximately $1.2 million to $1.7 million". For the fourth quarter of 1989, Index had revenues of $11.4 million and a net profit of $464,000. Carpenter added, "Management of Index has decided to announce its fourth quarter estimate at this time in light of current expectations and the proposed merger transaction with Sage. Index's revenues and results of operations for the fourth quarter have been adversely impacted principally by a longer sales cycle for recently introduced products, increased personnel expenses, including non-recurring severance costs resulting from a restructuring announced in November, and a decline in sales representative productivity attributable to delay in the shipment of OS/2 products until the second quarter of 1991."

CONTACT: J. Jeffrey Bingenheimer of Index Technology Corporation, 617-494-8200 or Melody S. Ranelli of Sage Software Inc., 301-230-3210.

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#90352p4436 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CAMBRIDGE, MA AND ROCKVILLE, MD (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard A. Carpenter, chief executive officer of Index Technology Corp., (NASDAQ: INDX) and Kevin J.

Burns, chief executive officer of Sage Software Inc., today announced that the (NASDAQ: SGSI) directors of both companies approved a Letter of Intent providing for the combination of Index and Sage. They stated that the strategic combination of Sage and Index will allow the companies to offer its customers a comprehensive CASE solution on mainframes, workstations and local area networks. On a combined basis the company will have approximately 10,000 customers with approximately 100,000 users.

The combination is intended to be accomplished by the merger of Index and Sage in a tax-free transaction, accounted for as a pooling of interests. After the merger, the name of the new corporation will be changed, and Burns will be the chairman of the board and chief executive officer and Carpenter will be vice chairman and chief, strategy and product architecture.

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Index was founded in 1983 and is headquartered in Cambridge, Mass. The company markets its Excelerator(R) Series of systems analysis and design CASE

products from Cambridge as well as from field sales and support offices throughout the U.S. and Canada, subsidiaries in the U.K., France, Germany, Sweden, Denmark and Australia, and through third-party distributors, providing coverage in approximately 40 countries worldwide.

Sage specializes in CASE tools for users of IBM computers. Sage's products allow customers to build systems faster while reducing costs and risk. Sage is a publicly held company whose shares trade on the NASDAQ market system under the symbol SGSI. Sage's worldwide headquarters are located at 3200 Tower Oaks Boulevard, Rockville, Md. 20852.

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#90352p4445 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced that Texscan Corporation of El Paso, Texas, transferred from the over-the-counter market to the Exchange yesterday, for the second time. Trading under ticker symbol TSX, the common stock opened on 1,000 shares at 3-3/8. The company began trading 2,188,279 common shares.

Texscan, which previously traded on NASDAQ under the symbol TXCND, had first transferred from the OTC market to the Exchange in October 1980, and traded here until December 1985.

The company cited a more efficient and liquid trading market and the benefits of increased visibility and broader investment community exposure, as well as the final step of a three-year reorganization plan, as reasons for the relisting.

Texscan is a leading cable television equipment company that manufactures and markets a variety of distribution and commercial insertion products for both the domestic and international cable television industry; and, is a designer and integrator of large scale fiber optic systems for roadway and railways.

Texscan's high technology distribution electronics equipment includes trunk amplifiers, bridging stations, line extenders, passives, power supplies and subscriber taps, to deliver the cable signal from local cable operators to subscribers.

The company also manufactures and markets a downlink converter for microwave or wireless cable transmissions, and AM fiber optic receivers and transmitters that can increase the number of subscriber interactive programming options and activities.

Through its Texscan MSI subsidiary of Salt Lake City, Utah, Texscan

manufactures and markets character generators, commercial insertion equipment and image capture systems, to allow cable operators to insert local advertising into network programming.

The company's Op-Tech subsidiary of Bolton, England, designs and integrates large scale fiber optic systems, concentrating on fiber optic systems to monitor and control transportation networks.

Texscan reported net income of $650,000, or $.29 per share, on revenues of $19,490,000 for the six months ended Oct. 27, 1990, compared with net income of $574,000, or $.25 per share, on revenues of $23,633,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

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#90352p4446 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOMALL, PA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - ALCOM Printing Group Inc., one of the mid-Atlantic region's foremost commercial printers, has announced its entry into a new market -- financial printing.

To lead ALCOM in this venture, the ALCOM board of directors has appointed a nationally known expert in the field, Frank E. Scullin, as president of the ALCOM Financial Printing Division. Scullin, the former president of Packard Press' Philadelphia office, is directing ALCOM's efforts in both financial printing and the application of new technologies to the printing and financial industries.

"We brought Frank on board for his expertise in financial printing," said ALCOM President Frank D. Eichman. "He's the person who can pull together the pieces of the technology puzzle, to help our customers understand how they can utilize desktop publishing concepts to integrate pagination, image transfer and computer software technologies.

Currently, financial printing faces a different, tighter market than in its 80's heyday. As a result, the market is more ready to accept a more moderate approach. Scullin noted that supplier contraction in the financial printing market has opened opportunities for aggressive regional printers like ALCOM to move into the vacuum created by traditional financial printers' inability to institute the changes necessary to cope with the new look of the market.

Scullin's insights into financial printing come from 15 years of directing Packard's Financial Printing Division. He joined the company in 1971 at the inception of the Financial Printing Division, serving in sales, marketing and executive capacities and applying computer technology and desktop publishing to financial printing.

He became an industry consultant earlier this year and maintains national relationships that should benefit ALCOM in serving any and all clients. Scullin has also been named senior vice president of ALCOM Printing Group.

Headquartered in Broomall, ALCOM Printing Group is the seventh largest commercial printer in the Delaware Valley, serving the Washington to New York City market.

ALCOM consists of three production and office facilities that include typesetting as well as six-color sheet-fed and web capabilities -- Havertown Printing (Broomall), Lehigh Litho (Bethlehem, Pa.) and Tele-Composition (Clifton Heights, Pa.). In addition, the company has sales offices in Philadelphia and New York. Nationally, ALCOM is ranked among the Printing Impressions 500.

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#90352p4449 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTPORT, CT (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - MECA Software, Inc. (NASDAQ: MECA) announced today the release of Version 7.0 of its perennial best-selling personal financial software program, "Andrew Tobias' Managing Your Money." This new version, according to MECA President Daniel Schley, represents the most substantial update of the program since its initial release in 1984. Said Schley, "recognizing the rapid changes in technology and changing trends in personal finance as we entered the '90s, we felt it time to give our program a major overhaul. The result is a vastly superior product, one that in our view will redefine the concept of personal financial software."

The new Managing Your Money sports a state-of-the-art "Character Windows" interface that provides users improved visual appeal and speed of execution found in windowing software without requiring Windows. It also incorporates a new database for instant access to Managing Your Money's numerous features, a new report generator, and a new graphics engine supporting EGA and VGA. In addition, MECA updated and enhanced the program's powerful electronic links to CheckFree for electronic bill paying, to TaxCut, MECA's top-rated tax preparation software program, for quick preparation of tax returns, and to "Managing The Market" with its link to Dow Jones.

Managing Your Money Version 7.0 includes fully updated sections for banking and bill paying, tax planning, insurance planning financial analysis, portfolio management and net worth and remains the most comprehensive and versatile personal financial software program available. The suggested retail price for Version 7.0 is $219.95. Existing users of Managing Your Money can update to Version 7.0 with full conversion of their datafiles for $49.95. The program runs on IBM PCs and compatibles with 512k of RAM, DOS 2.0 or later and

two disk drives.

MECA Software, Inc. is the leading publisher of expert-oriented personal productivity software with applications in the fields of Personal Finance (Managing Your Money, CheckWrite Plus, The Financial Calculator, Managing the Market), Income Tax Preparation (TaxCut), Personal Law (Hyatt Legal Services, Home Lawyer) and Executive Management (The Manager's Organizer).

MECA Software, Inc. is a publicly held company and is listed on the NASDAQ National market System under the symbol, MECA. For more information on MECA products or to obtain a prospectus or annual report, contact MECA at 327 Riverside Ave., Westport, Conn. 06880.

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#90352p4450 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Circulation of the Daily News is approximately 600,000 copies per day, it was announced today. The sources of the paper's sales have changed dramatically since the strike began Oct. 25.

Traditionally, single copy sales accounted for 80 percent of the News' circulation. Strike violence and intimidation have reduced those sales to 20 percent. Now, the hawker program, wholesalers, and home delivery account for the greatest percentage of sales.

News Vice President John Sloan said, "It is important to note, that retail dealers of the News are coming back in large numbers. They currently represent sales of 125,000 sold copies per day."

Based on the new distribution system, the Daily News has attained a daily paid circulation of 600,000 copies. The following breakdown of that circulation will be provided to the Audit Bureau of Circulation, which monitors newspaper sales:

-- Single copy, newsstand/retail outlet sales: 125,000 -- Hawkers: 200,000 -- Home delivery: 200,000 -- Wholesaler/suburban distribution: 75,000 -- Total Sales: 600,000

Sloan said that those who question the paper's circulation statistics are making judgments based on incomplete and inaccurate information. "It is in the interest of the striking unions and our competitors in this market to challenge our circulation. Some have failed to recognize the fact that the sources of the paper's sales have been dramatically altered. But the hard data -- all of which is being subjected to ABC audit -- substantiates that the Daily News has a paid circulation of 600,000 and climbing. It is clear that

New Yorkers want their Daily News, and we are increasingly successful at getting it to them."

Current circulation is approximately one-half of pre-strike totals. CONTACT: John Sloan, vice president of Daily News, 212-210-6349

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#90352p4453 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of First Union Corporation (NYSE: FTU) today adopted a Shareholder Protection Rights Plan designed to enhance the Board's ability to protect shareholders against attempts to acquire control of First Union by means of unfair or abusive tactics that have been prevalent in many unsolicited takeover attempts.

First Union's Board of Directors adopted the Rights Plan following a careful and thorough study. The Board concluded that shareholders will be better served by the Rights Plan than by North Carolina's Shareholder Protection Act and Control Share Acquisition Act, two anti-takeover statutes that would have remained applicable to First Union if the Board of Directors had not taken action at its meeting in August to remove First Union from the coverage of both those statutes.

More than 1,200 U.S. corporations have adopted plans similar in concept to First Union's Rights Plan, including over 100 bank holding companies.

Under the Rights Plan each common shareholder of record at the close of business on December 28, 1990, will automatically receive, on that date, a dividend of one Right for each share of Common Stock held. The Rights will be evidenced by First Union's Common Stock certificates, will automatically trade with the Common Stock and will not be exercisable, unless a person or group acquires beneficial ownership of 15 percent or more of First Union's Common Stock or commences a tender or exchange offer that will result in such person or group owning 15 percent or more of such stock. Thereafter, separate Rights certificates will be distributed.

First Union Corporation may redeem the Rights (or, in certain circumstances, terminate the Rights without payment) at a price of $.01 per Right at any time prior to a specified period of time after a person or group has become the beneficial owner of 15 percent or more of its Common Stock. The Rights will expire on December 28, 2000, unless earlier redeemed or terminated.

As of Sept. 30, 1990, First Union Corporation had assets of $39.1 billion and operated 764 statewide banking offices in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, one banking office in Tennessee, and 277 nonbanking offices in 36 states.

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#90352p4456 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAYLOR, MI (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Heritage Bankcorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: HEBC) today declared a quarterly dividend of 13 cents per share, payable Jan. 14, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

Commenting on the announcement, E.G. Wilkinson Jr., president and CEO of Heritage Bankcorp, Inc., said, "This is the fifth consecutive quarterly cash dividend paid to our stockholders by Heritage Bankcorp, Inc. since our conversion to a stock company in August 1989."

Heritage Bankcorp, Inc. is the holding company for Heritage Federal Savings Bank. The bank serves southeast and northern Michigan through its home office and 44 full-service branch offices. Heritage Bankcorp, Inc. is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol HEBC.

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#90352p4457 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

BUTTE, MT (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Montana Power Co. (NYSE: MTP) today declared a dividend increase of 1.5 cents per share, raising the quarterly payment to 37 cents per share, or $1.48 per share on an annual basis. The fourth-quarter dividend is payable Jan. 31, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business Jan. 10.

"This four percent increase reflects the board's confidence in the basic stability and predictable growth inherent in all of our business units," said Paul Schmechel, Montana Power's chairman and chief executive officer. "We see sustained earnings growth over the coming years that fully justifies setting the dividend at this level.

"Today's board action implies greater dividend support from our non-regulated Entech subsidiary. The Entech companies, engaged in mining, oil and gas, technology and waste management, are fully capable of generating necessary cash requirements for expansion as well as increasing compensation to shareholders for their investment in these mature, diversified businesses," Schmechel concluded.

Montana Power's directors also declared regular dividends on outstanding preferred stock, payable Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 10.

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#90352p4473 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - In an effort to spur growth of the U.S. information industry, the Ameritech (NYSE: AIT) Bell companies today became the first telephone companies to file unbundled prices with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for an array of features that information providers can use to build advanced telephone services.

These features, called basic serving arrangements (BSAs) and basic service elements (BSEs), are part of the companies' Open Network Architecture (ONA) plan.

"We are opening up our network to give information providers greater access to the telecommunications capabilities they need to move our country further into the Information Age," said Terry Appenzeller, Ameritech Services senior director of ONA Implementation. Ameritech Services coordinated development of the Ameritech Bell companies' ONA plan and tariffs.

The filings made today with the FCC are consistent with the Ameritech Bell companies' ONA plan filed initially in February 1988 to explain how the companies will open up their telecommunications network.

Initial deployment will cover 19 areas including Chicago; Indianapolis; Detroit; Cleveland and Columbus, Ohio; and Milwaukee, plus selected mid-sized cities and rural areas in each state. However, many of the ONA services will be available beyond the 19 deployment areas.

Each Ameritech Bell company plans to file similar tariffs with its state utility commission during the next few months.

"This common tariff structure will contribute to consistent service offerings, prices and ordering and billing processes across our five states -- an attractive prospect to information providers," Appenzeller said.

Ameritech is the Chicago-based parent of Bell companies serving Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin, as well as several other companies providing mobile communications, directory publishing, lease financing and audiotex services. Its 1989 revenues were $10.2 billion.

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#90352p4475 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
DEARBORN, MI (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation's independent

power production unit, CMS Generation Co., has named Robert M. Wheeler as project manager for the Grayling Generating Station project. The announcement was made by Ashish D. Sarkar, CMS Generation's vice president of projects management.

Wheeler will be responsible for managing design, construction and start-up of the 34-megawatt, waste-wood-fueled independent power plant being built near Grayling, Mich. He will provide management oversight of activities performed by Black & Veatch, Townsend & Bottum and Christman Co., the project's construction contractors.

"CMS Generation is very pleased to have a manager of Bob's caliber on board for this important energy project," Sarkar said. Wheeler's project management office will be located at the Grayling site.

Wheeler, 43, had been cost and schedule supervisor since 1987 for the Midland Cogeneration Venture, the nation's largest cogeneration facility, which entered commercial operation this year ahead of schedule and under budget. Before that, he held increasingly responsible positions within the projects, engineering and construction department of Consumers Power Company.

A native of Scottville, Mich., Wheeler earned a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from Michigan State University in 1973. He is a registered professional engineer in the State of Michigan. Wheeler and his wife, Cheryl, are the parents of a son and two daughters.

CMS Generation and Grayling Development Partners each hold a 50-percent ownership interest in the project. Grayling Development Partners includes Primary Power, Inc. of Saginaw, Mich., and a subsidiary of Decker Energy International of Winter Park, Fla. Construction of the Grayling facility is scheduled to be completed by fall 1992.

Decker Energy International develops, owns and operates cogeneration and small power projects. In addition to the Grayling project, it has four operating facilities in Michigan and California. Decker Energy has also developed and sold its interest in three natural gas-fired cogeneration projects and two wood-burning projects.

Primary Power is a developer of wood- and waste-fueled power projects. CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS) is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services. CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth-largest combination utility.

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#90352p4482 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

OCALA, FL. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Mid-State Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: MSSB) today announced a loss for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $1,974,000, or $.95 per share, compared to a loss of $1,128,000, or $.55 per share, for the 1989 fiscal year. Mid-State Federal also reported a loss for the fourth fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $503,000, or $.25 per share. This compares to a loss of $2,027,000, or $.96 per share, for the fourth fiscal quarter of 1989.

The results for the fiscal year and fourth quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 were adversely affected by increased provisions for losses on loans and real estate owned. The total provisions for losses for the 1990 fiscal year amounted to $5.8 million, compared to $2.9 million for fiscal 1989. During the fourth fiscal quarter of 1990, the total provisions for losses were $1.3 million, compared to $2.0 million for the same quarter of 1989.

The net loss from real estate operations, excluding provisions for losses, was $641,000 for fiscal 1990, compared to $1.2 million for 1989. Included in the 1989 loss from real estate operations was a $1.0 million reserve for payment of judgements and interest in a lawsuit against the bank. These judgements were reversed by a Florida appellate court in October, 1990. As a result, the bank intends to consider reversing this reserve into income during an appropriate future period.

Net interest income, before provision for loan and investment securities losses, was $20.0 million, an increase of 6.1 percent over the $18.8 million reported for 1989. The improvement in net interest income was primarily the result of an increase in the net interest rate spread to 2.02 percent during fiscal 1990, compared to 1.88 percent during 1989. The net interest rate spread for the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, was 2.11 percent, compared to 1.80 percent for the fourth fiscal quarter of 1989.

Other income in fiscal 1990 included $1.1 million attributable to the receipt and contribution to the bank's Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) of the excess assets from the 1988 termination of the bank's pension plan. The income from the pension plan termination was not subject to income tax since the excess assets were contributed to the ESOP. The bank will reflect an expense, $372,000 of which was recognized in the fourth fiscal quarter of 1990 when the stock held by the ESOP is allocated to the accounts of eligible employees.

Operating expenses, excluding the amortization of goodwill and acquisition expenses of $470,000, fell to $17.8 million during the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, a decrease of 5.1 percent from the 1989 fiscal year. From fiscal 1988 to fiscal 1990, operating expenses, excluding the amortization of goodwill and acquisition expenses, have been reduced by $3.6 million, or 17.0 percent, on

an annualized basis.

Total nonaccrual loans were $7.9 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $8.1 million at Sept. 30, 1989. Total nonearning assets from lending activities, including nonaccrual loans, real estate in judgment, and real estate owned, were $21.3 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $18.0 million one year earlier. The bank's total reserve for loan and investment losses was $3.6 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $1.4 million at Sept. 30, 1989. In addition, loans totaling $2.3 million were charged-off during fiscal 1990, as compared to $720,000 which were charged-off during fiscal 1989.

The bank met and exceeded all of its federal capital requirements at Sept. 30, 1990.

Mid-State Federal is a publicly held, federally insured, and federally chartered stock savings bank with its common stock traded over-the-counter and quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "MSSB." With it home office in Ocala, Fla., the thrift has assets of just under $1 billion and operates 26 branch offices within a five county area in west central Florida.

MID-STATE FEDERAL CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATISTICS
Fourth Quarter and Year of Fiscal 1990
(Dollar amounts in thousands except for per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Total assets	$ 979,340	$1,017,833
Loans receivable, net	674,749	698,053
Mortgage-backed securities	166,663	186,704
Investment securities, net	51,199	57,138
Allowance for loan and investment losses	3,595	1,364
Deposits	858,630	843,588
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	51,500	65,500
Other borrowings	--	36,966
Total stockholders' equity	48,924	51,790
Actual shares outstanding	2,067,031	2,062,161
Book value per share	23.67	25.11
Range of stock prices during quarter:		
High	19.00	20.50
Low	17.00	17.50

	Three Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Net interest income before provision for loan and		

investment losses	$ 5,045	$ 4,332
Provision for loan and investment losses	1,173	690
Net interest income	3,872	3,642
Gain (loss) on sale of investments, mortgage backed securities, and loans	--	(120)
Other income (expense)	668	(1,377)
Other expenses	(4,776)	(5,195)
Income (loss) before income taxes	(236)	(3,050)
Income tax (expense) benefit	(267)	1,023
Net income (loss)	(503)	(2,027)
Net income (loss) per share	(0.25)	(0.96)
Weighted average shares outstanding (A)	2,040,718	2,101,506

	Year Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Net interest income before provision for loan and investment losses	$ 19,967	$ 18,816
Provision for loan and investment losses	4,523	1,604
Net interest income	15,444	17,212
Gain (loss) on sale of investments, mortgage backed securities and loans	--	(39)
Other income	2,301	930
Other expenses	(18,780)	(19,263)
Income (loss) before income taxes	(1,035)	(1,160)
Income tax (expense) benefit	(939)	32
Net income (loss)	(1,974)	(1,128)
Net income (loss) per share	(0.95)	(0.55)
Weighted average shares outstanding (A)	2,088,918	2,060,186

Net Interest Rate Spread During:	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989	Year Ended Sept. 30, 1990	1989
Weighted average yield on:				
Loans and mortgage-backed securities	9.91 pct.	9.98 pct.	9.97 pct.	9.74 pct.
Investments	7.73 pct.	8.54 pct.	7.79 pct.	9.31 pct.
Combined	9.74 pct.	9.86 pct.	9.80 pct.	9.70 pct.
Weighted average				

rates paid on:				
Deposits	7.53 pct.	7.93 pct.	7.66 pct.	7.69 pct.
Borrowings	9.20 pct.	9.18 pct.	9.15 pct.	8.99 pct.
Combined	7.63 pct.	8.06 pct.	7.78 pct.	7.82 pct.
Net interest rate spread	2.11 pct.	1.80 pct.	2.02 pct.	1.88 pct.

(A) -- The weighted average number of outstanding shares of common stock includes the number of common stock equivalents calculated under the treasury stock method.

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#90352p4483 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Nabors Industries Inc. (AMEX: NBR) announced today its operating results for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990. Fiscal 1990 results include seven months of Loffland Brothers Co., which was acquired in late February 1990.

Net income for fiscal 1990 totalled $14.6 million, or 27 cents per share, compared to $5.5 million, or 12 cents per share in fiscal 1989. Revenues were $139.0 million in fiscal 1990 compared to $74.5 million in the prior year. Pro forma 1990 results, assuming Loffland Brothers and Henley Drilling were included for the full year, indicate combined revenue of $192.7 and net income of $17.3 million, or 29 cents per share. Henley Drilling was acquired by Nabors in November 1990.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, the company reported net income of $5.9 million, or 10 cents per share, compared to net income of $1.6 million, or $0.03 per share, in the fourth quarter of 1989. Revenues for the quarter amounted to $47.4 million compared to $16.2 million in the prior year's quarter. Full year and fourth quarter 1990 results benefited from a revision of salvage values of the company's rigs which reduced depreciation by $2.1 million, or $0.04 per share.

The strong performance reflected excellent results in Alaska and in all of the company's international land drilling markets. Platform drilling operations in the North Sea and the Gulf of Mexico also made significant contributions to fiscal 1990 results. Continued improvement has been noted in early fiscal 1991 operations. In Alaska, an additional drilling rig resumed work this October and a newly constructed workover rig will start up in early 1991. International activities will benefit further from three land rigs being redeployed from the United States to Saudi Arabia under long term contracts -- two rigs recently began work and the third will arrive early next spring. In addition, another land rig is in transit to Venezuela for a contract beginning

in early January.

Nabors Industries, headquartered in Houston, is among the largest international drilling contractors, operating a fleet of 111 land and offshore rigs. The company is a major participant in most of the significant oil and gas drilling markets in the world, including Alaska, Canada, the continental U.S., the Gulf of Mexico, the North Sea, the Middle East, South America and the Far East. Nabors is also the leading international geothermal drilling company. In addition, Nabors engages in oilfield transportation, construction, maintenance and other support services in Alaska, providing total arctic logistical self-sufficiency.

CONTACT: W. John Zygmunt Jr. of Nabors Industries Inc., 713-874-0035

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RALEIGH, NC (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Exide Electronics Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: XUPS), announced today that it has settled on terms favorable to the Company previously disclosed litigation in the United States District court in Chicago against the Company's principal U.S. subsidiary. The case, "Thomas K. Evans et al, v. Exide Electronics Corp.," was filed by three former employees of the Company, each of whom claimed damages of not less than $2,500,000 for the alleged breach of employment contracts by the Company.

The out-of court settlements also included resolution of the counterclaims the Company had filed against one of the plaintiffs. The terms of both out-of-court settlements were not disclosed.

The effects of the out-of-court settlements and the related legal expenses will be recorded by the Company during the first quarter of fiscal 1991, which ends on December 30, 1990, and will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Company. However, while the Company anticipates revenue in the first quarter of 1991 to exceed revenue of the corresponding period in 1990, the Company expects that income from continuing operations for the first quarter of 1991 could be at a break-even level or a loss due to legal expenses, including the recording of the out-of-court settlements in the "Evans" litigation, as well as normal seasonal factors.

Exide Electronics designs, manufactures, markets and services a broad line of power performance and protection products, which protect computer and other sensitive electronic systems against electrical power loss and distortions. The Company's products are used in diverse application, including large computer facilities, mainframe and minicomputer systems, communications systems, medical application and distributed computing environments.

CONTACT: Marty R. Kittrell, Chief Financial Officer, Exide Electronics Group, Inc., 919-872-3020, or Bill Hughes, Miller Communications, 617-536-0470, for

Exide Electronics Group, Inc.

-30- 2213

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - R.H. Macy & Co., Inc. reported today that its private equity offering to its non-management investors has been completed and that the company has received approximately $119 million in proceeds, as previously announced.

CONTACT: James Fingeroth or Maureen Burgess of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for R.H. Macy & Co.

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#90352p4487 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Norwest Bank Minnesota lowered its prime rate to 9.75 percent from 10 percent, effective today. Norwest Bank Minnesota has 78 banking offices in the Twin Cities metropolitan area. The rate was last changed on Jan. 8, 1990, when it was dropped to 10 percent from 10.5 percent.

Norwest is the first major U.S. bank to lower the rate, which James R. Campbell, president of Norwest Bank Minnesota, said is the result of a reduction in the cost of funds to the bank and will be reflected in lower borrowing rates for customers.

Norwest Bank Minnesota is the largest banking affiliate of Norwest Corporation (NYSE: NOB), a $29.6 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking-related and specialized financial services through 1,386 offices in 47 states and internationally.

CONTACT: Jack Kerr of Norwest, 612-667-0148

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#90352p4490 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

VERNON, CT (DEC. 18) PRNEWSWIRE - Tolland Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: TOBK) announced today that it will report a net loss for the fourth quarter of 1990 which will result in a net loss for the full year. For the first nine months of 1990 net income was $357,000. The bank also announced that it will suspend its quarterly dividend effective with the fourth quarter of 1990.

Chairman and President Guy Cambria Jr., indicated that this difficult decision was made following a review of financial results for the first two months of the quarter. He commented on the two major developments which will negatively impact earnings.

First of all, the continuing decline in the general economic conditions within the bank's market area has been reflected in increasing delinquencies, repossessions and defaults. Non-performing assets, which were 2.3 percent of assets, or $4.4 million at Sept. 30, 1990, are expected to substantially increase by Dec. 31. The higher level of non-performing assets will reduce future interest income. Contributing to the bank's fourth-quarter loss will be write-downs on foreclosed assets and a higher loan loss provision associated with increased charge-offs and delinquencies. Expenses for professional services to deal with these assets have increased in the fourth quarter and are expected to continue to be higher than normal next year. Commensurate reductions in other expense categories are planned for 1991 to mitigate some of the effect on next year's earnings.

Secondly, the quarter's results will reflect a loss in excess of $300,000 on the sale of financial institutions' stock from the bank's portfolio. This step was taken after determining that the prospect for recovery in these stocks was unlikely in the foreseeable future. In mid-December, the unrealized loss on marketable equities had been reduced to about $160,000 from $590,000 at Sept. 30. Recognition of the loss will result in the refund of taxes paid on an equivalent amount of capital gains reported in prior periods. The net effect of the sales and the recent improvement in the market value of the remaining $1.8 million portfolio is to add about $200,000 to capital.

Cambria concluded, "The board will reinstate the quarterly dividend when a return to profitable operations is assured. While the bank will report a loss for 1990, its capital position is an on-going source of strength. At Sept. 30 1990, the bank had shareholders' equity equal to 8.38 percent of total assets of $189.3 million, a ratio which is well in excess of regulatory requirements. Meanwhile deposit growth is among the highest for any Connecticut savings institutions, which has allowed us to substantially improve the structure of the balance sheet."

Tolland Bank is a Connecticut savings bank, the deposits of which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

CONTACT: Joel E. Hyman, senior vice president, treasurer and chief financial officer of Tolland Bank, 203-875-2500

-30- 3195

#90352p4492 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Campeau Corporation today reported its unaudited financial results for the nine-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990. To provide a better understanding of the financial performance and position of the corporation and its subsidiaries, the financial statements continue to show both consolidated and parent-company only results. All figures are stated in U.S. dollars.

Consolidated revenue for Campeau Corporation amounted to $6.94 billion in the nine-month 1990 period compared with $7.04 billion in the 1989 period. This includes revenue from department stores of $4.88 billion in the first nine months of 1990, down from $5.09 billion a year earlier. The decline continues to reflect the impact of uncertainties regarding the financial positions of Allied Stores and Federated Department Stores, the implementation of a new merchandising strategy, and the sluggish economy.

Ralphs Grocery Company's revenue rose 7.4 percent to $1.87 billion from the supermarket company's nine-month 1989 revenue of $1.74 billion. The increase is attributable largely to its major remodeling and new- store program. In 1989 and 1990, Ralphs has completed 15 new stores and 42 remodels.

The consolidated real estate revenue declined to $189 million in the first nine months of 1990 from $213 million in the 1989 period reflecting the sale of rental properties in Canada and the United States net of rental increases, and a small decline in land sales.

Consolidated operating profit amounted to $379 million in the 1990 period compared with $680 million for the same nine months of 1989. Operating profit from department stores declined to $261 million in the 1990 period compared with $440 million in 1989.

Ralphs' operating profit increased to $130 million in 1990 from $123 million in the nine-month 1989 period. The 1990 amount is after the deduction of a non-cash charge of $10 million for Ralphs' equity appreciation rights benefits (none in 1989.)

The consolidated real estate operations incurred an operating loss of $12 million compared with an operating profit of $117 million reported in the 1989 period. The decline reflects a $106 million provision for loss on real estate assets, including provision for anticipated costs necessary to complete commitments for real estate previously sold.

The consolidated net loss for the first nine months of 1990 was $472 million compared with a loss in the 1989 period of $377 million. The 1990 loss reflects a lower gain on the sale of assets of $46 million from $147 million in 1989. The 1990 net loss also includes $72 million in reorganization costs principally related to U.S. subsidiaries in reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. These include Allied Stores Corporation, Federated Department Stores, Inc., and Federated Stores, Inc. Ralphs Grocery Company did not file for relief under Chapter 11.

The 1990 loss also does not include $204 million of interest on unsecured debt of subsidiaries in reorganization under Chapter 11 and $36 million in dividends on Allied's preferred shares which in 1989 were reflected in minority interest.

The nine-month consolidated loss is after the deduction of $129 million in non-cash charges including deferred income taxes, depreciation and amortization, and amortization of financing costs.

Revenue for the parent company amounted to $165 million in the nine- month 1990 period including $120 million from rental properties and $45 million from real estate sales. This compares with $138 million in revenue from real estate in the 1989 period, including $119 million from rental properties and $19 million from real estate sales.

In the 1990 third quarter, the parent company completed the sale of land and properties in Canada for a total of about $40 million. Since the beginning of the 1990 year, total asset dispositions in Canada have amounted to more than $135 million.

Operating profit from the parent company of $33 million in the 1990 period includes $77 million from rental properties net of a $44 million loss from real estate sales, including provision for losses. In the 1989 period, rental properties contributed $77 million and real estate sales $8 million to operating profit.

The parent company's net loss for the first nine months of 1990 amounted to $472 million compared with $377 million in the 1989 period.

Before recognizing the net loss from discontinued real estate, losses of subsidiaries and income taxes, the parent company's loss amounted to $76 million in the first nine months of 1990, compared with an $18 million profit in the comparable 1989 period. The decline most significantly reflects a provision for loss of $50 million included in the consolidated real estate provision of $106 million, and an increase in financing costs of $40 million, partially offset by increased gains on the sale of assets in the amount of $7 million. Cash provided by operating activities of $4 million is up from break-even from operations in the first nine months of 1989, reflecting the deferral of interest under the parent company's business plan.

CONTACT: Richard W. Wertheim of Wertheim Howe & Company, 416-594-1600 or home 416-276-6612, for Campeau

-30- 5489

#90352p4493 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

KEY WEST, FL (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir Express service between Key West and Miami will be inaugurated March 2, 1991.

The new USAir Express service will be provided by Henson Aviation Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of USAir Group, Inc. (NYSE: U). USAir Express flights will replace the six daily jet flights currently operated between Key West and Miami by USAir. Daily USAir Express flight frequencies and schedule times are

being finalized.

USAir Express service will make the maximum number of connections at Miami with the nearly 100 daily USAir arrivals and departures that link Miami with many other Florida cities as well as numerous points in the Northeast and Midwest.

Service will be operated with modern twin-engine, jet-prop aircraft.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, 703-418-5100 or 213-417-1294 (Western Region)

-30- 1026

#90352p4494 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HANOVER, NJ (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The following statement was released today by Sandoz Pharmaceuticals Corporation:

We have heard that the attorneys general of 21 states intend to file suit against Sandoz Pharmaceuticals Corporation concerning our marketing of Clozaril.

While we have not yet received any notice of such a suit, we understand that the intent is to force us to separate the sale of this drug from the system that has been designed to monitor and control the safety of its use.

We have publicly announced that we intend to modify this monitoring system in accordance with recent discussions with the FDA and with representatives of most of the 21 attorneys general. We don not feel that our existing distribution system violates the antitrust system. In any event the proposed modifications clearly resolve that issue. We deeply regret that in spite of our willingness to resolve the matter amicably, these states have apparently felt the need to pursue this matter in court. While we understand the difficulty the states have in finding ways to pay for ambulatory health care, we believe safety through monitoring to be an essential element in Clozaril treatment.

Our present monitoring system has identified 173 patients who could not tolerate the drug because of serious side effects. This has enabled us to deliver the drug to 7,000 patients throughout the U.S. without one fatality. We are proud of this safety record and trust that all states will join us in ensuring that all Clozaril patients throughout the nation will in the future also benefit from this treatment.

Sandoz remains committed to helping patients obtain ready access to Clozaril in the most cost-effective and safe manner.

CONTACT: David Winter of Sandoz, 201-503-8600, or Samuel D. Ostrow of The

Rowland Company, 212-527-8824, for Sandoz

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#90352p4495 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOSCOW (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Encyclopedia Britannica, Inc., and Progress Publishers in the Soviet Union signed an agreement today for an historic cooperative venture -- the publishing of a Russian-language Encyclopedia Britannica. It will be the first truly international encyclopedia published in the Soviet Union since the Russian Revolution in 1917.

The agreement was signed by Robert P. Gwinn, chairman and chief executive officer of Britannica, and Alexander Avelichev, director of Progress Publishers of the Soviet Union. Gwinn described the venture as a milestone in the history of the 222-year-old Britannica and the publishing world as well.

The project is expected to take approximately five years to complete. The agreement provides for the first 12 volumes of The New Encyclopedia Britannica -- known as the Micropaedia -- to be translated into Russian and published in the Soviet Union as Britannica's Russian- language edition.

The Micropedia is the ready-reference section of Britannica's 32- volume reference work, now in its 15th edition.

These latter changes will be made to enhance the edition's attractiveness to the Russian reader, Gwinn said. For example, there will be greater emphasis on the history, geography and cultural activities in the Soviet Union, and a corresponding reduction in articles that might be of less interest to the Russian market, he added. This will follow the practice already adopted in encyclopedias in Chinese, Japanese and other languages.

Progress Publishers has the right to publish and sell the Russian language edition in the Soviet Union, with Britannica retaining sales rights elsewhere.

The company also publishes encyclopedias in a number of languages, including Japanese, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Turkish and Italian. In 1980, Encyclopedia Britannica and the Encyclopedia of China Publishing House of the People's Republic of China entered into a heralded arrangement to produce a Chinese-language version of the Micropaedia portion of Britannica's 15th Edition. The 10-volume Concise Encyclopedia Britannica was published in 1986.

Britannica also is developing encyclopedias in the Korean and Greek languages.

Progress Publishers was founded in Moscow in 1931. Foreign language books and Russian translations have been its specialty from the beginning. With approximately 1,000 new titles per year in 51 languages, it is the largest publishing house in the Soviet Union and one of the largest in the world.

Russian-language encyclopedias date back to the 18th century with the publication in 1793 of the Russian Lexicon. This was followed by the Encyclopedia Reference Dictionary in 1847 and the Encyclopedia Dictionary in 1895.

The Great Encyclopedia was published in 1900 followed by the Great Soviet Encyclopedia, which began publication in 1926. A second edition was published beginning in 1949. This was followed by the latest edition, which appeared in the '70s. All editions reflected official government views.

CONTACT: Roald H. Haase of Encyclopedia Britannica, 312-347-7155

-30- 3309

#90352p4498 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Justice Miriam Goldman Cederbaum this afternoon granted the Daily News a preliminary injunction allowing it to continue the sale of newspapers in the New York transit system.

John Sloan, spokesman for The News, said, "The decision is only just. New Yorkers have a right to buy the newspaper of their choice and the Daily News has a right to sell it."

CONTACT: John Sloan of the Daily News, 212-210-6349

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#90352p4499 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Emerging Mexico Fund, Inc. (NYSE: MEF) announced Dec. 17, 1990 that its board of directors has declared a dividend of $0.312 per share payable on Jan. 11, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 28 1990. This is the first dividend of the fund of which $0.305 is derived from net investment income and $0.007 is derived from net short-term capital gains.

Manolo Gonzalez Sordo of Santander Management Inc., the fund's investment adviser, said "the 31-cent dividend reflects in part the return on short-term instruments during the fund's initial investment phase and is not necessarily indicative of the return on the fully invested portfolio."

Under the fund's dividend reinvestment plan, shareholders whose shares are registered in their own names may elect to have their dividends reinvested in additional shares of the fund. Participation in the plan is completely voluntary and may be terminated or resumed at any time if written notice is received by Provident National Bank, dividend agent for the fund, not less than 10 days prior to any dividend record date.

As of Nov. 30, 1990, the fund had net assets of $57.6 million, with approximately $39.0 million invested in listed Mexican equity securities,

representing 67.7 percent of net assets. As of Nov. 30, the fund's ten largest Mexican common stock investments (in descending order) were in:

Telefonos de Mexico, S.A. de C.V. Grupo Industrial Bimbo, S.A. de C.V. Kimberly Clark de Mexico, S.A. de C.V. Apasco, S.A. de C.V. Grupo Condumex, S.A. de C.V. Desc Sociedad de Fomento Industrial, S.A. de C.V. Empresa Tolteca de Mexico, S.A. de C.V. Fomento Economico Mexicano, S.A. de C.V. Cemex, S.A. de C.V. Grupo Industrial Minera Mexico, S.A. de C.V.

The Emerging Mexico Fund, which commenced investment operations on Oct. 11, 1990 with a net asset value of $11.16, is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment primarily in Mexican equity securities. On Dec. 14, 1990 the net asset value per share of the fund's common stock was $11.83 and the closing price on the NYSE was $10.125.

CONTACT: Bruce D. Katz, treasurer of the Emerging Mexico Fund, 212-713-2928, or Craig Lax, of Brown & Wood, 212-839-5527, for the fund

-30- 2422

#90352p4506 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Canadian Occidental Petroleum Ltd. announces that it is filing with the Toronto Stock Exchange a notice of intention to renew a normal course issuer bid for the purchase of its common shares.

Up to a maximum of 1,332,000 common shares, being 2 percent of the issued and outstanding common shares of the company, will be purchased to offset the potential dilution that would otherwise result from the exercise of employee stock options, to invest monthly contributions by the company and its employees under the company employee savings plan in common shares of the company, and to take advantage of a relatively low market value of the shares to be purchased for cancellation in an effort to increase the value of the remaining outstanding shares. As of Dec. 5, 1990 there were 66,635,825 issued and outstanding common shares of the company.

These purchases will be made from time to time commencing from on or about Jan. 1, 1991 to Dec. 31, 1991 through the facilities of the Toronto Stock Exchange in accordance with its policy relating to normal course issuer bids.

452,641 common shares were purchased during the period from Feb. 1, 1990 to Dec. 5, 1990 under the company's normal course issuer bid at an average price of $16.839 per share.

CONTACT: John S. McKay, director, corporate affairs, Canadian Occidental Petroleum Ltd., 403-234-6726

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#90352p4511 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) has asked the U.S. District Court in Miami to issue a civil contempt order against David L. Paul for failing to comply with the OTS temporary cease and desist action against him.

In its original action filed Oct. 22, 1990, OTS sought to ban Paul, former chief executive officer of failed CenTrust Bank, from the banking industry and force him to pay restitution of $30,879,550.

Paul was ordered by the federal court in Miami in early December to comply with the OTS cease and desist order, but, OTS said, Paul has failed to do so.

The contempt order filed by the Justice Department on behalf of OTS asked the court to require Paul to show cause why he should not be "adjudged in contempt of this court." OTS also asked that the court order Paul to submit to a deposition examination, under oath, by OTS attorneys no later than Dec. 28. The examination would be for the purpose of identifying and locating assets in which Paul or members of his immediate family have an interest.

OTS also charged that Paul has made no effort to provide any portion of the security required by the temporary cease and desist order and has not posted a bond. The agency said further that Paul has produced no meaningful accounting of his assets and has failed to supply certified financial statements as required in the OTS and court orders.

CONTACT: William Fulwider of the Office of Thrift Supervision, 202-906-6677

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#90352p4519 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire
MT. KISCO, N.Y. (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Trans World Airlines has announced that it will offer members of its Frequent Flight Bonus Program triple miles for any flight taken from Jan. 7 through Feb. 7.

In addition, TWA will offer double miles from Feb. 8 through March 15 on every flight. Both offers are also valid on Trans World Express flights.

For example, under the triple mileage promotion, a passenger who flies from New York to Paris will earn 21,810 miles. This would make the passenger eligible for a free domestic roundtrip ticket within the continental United States.

To be eligible, members must purchase any published fare, and those who are not members can enroll by calling 1-800-221-2000.

TWA and its commuter affiliates serve more than 125 cities throughout North

America, Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

CONTACT: Jim Faulkner TWA of 314-298-6303

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#90352p4520 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $0.50/bbl was effective today Tuesday, Dec. 18, at 7:00 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$25.75 for West Texas Intermediate $23.75 for West Texas Sour $26.25 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E77. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACTS: Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440; or Bonnie Chaikind, 415-894-1200, both of Chevron

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#90352p4524 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (DEC 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors for HomeFed Corp. (NYSE: HFD), the parent company of HomeFed Bank, FSB, at its Dec. 17, 1990, meeting declared a regular quarterly dividend of $.05 on the company's common stock. The dividend for the current quarter will be payable Feb. 15, 1991, to stockholders of record on Jan. 17, 1991.

With $19.1 billion in assets and $973 million in stockholders' equity at Sept. 30, 1990, HomeFed Bank, FSB, operates a network of 215 branches throughout California.

CONTACT: Kaye Rowan or Sheree Zizzi, both of HomeFed, 619-699-8424

-30- 744

#90352p4528 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Prudential-Bache Securities Inc. confirmed that preliminary discussions are being held with Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. regarding a joint venture to integrate its operations, clearing and electronic data processing services.

Initially, if it were to be formed, this new entity would provide service to Prudential-Bache and Shearson Lehman Brothers, with an operational structure

that would allow for future expansion and the participation of other securities firms.

Those Prudential-Bache information systems which provide support to its financial advisors, including certain research, technology and branch automation functions, would continue to operate independently as proprietary systems.

The alliance would result in the realization of substantial cost savings to both firms, who currently maintain separate back office operations.

Prudential-Bache Securities Inc. is a worldwide investment firm. Headquartered at One Seaport Plaza, New York City, the firm has over 340 offices in the United States and overseas. Prudential-Bache Securities is a subsidiary of The Prudential Insurance Company of America.

CONTACT: Eleanor Earle Mascheroni of Prudential-Bache, 212-214-3955 or 3957, or night phone, 212-371-5374

-30- 1451

#90352p4531 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE, (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Kerry Killinger today was elected chairman of the board of directors of Washington Mutual Savings Bank, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Killinger, 41, will succeed Louis H. Pepper, 66, who will remain a board member.

Killinger will retain his current titles of president and chief executive officer, positions to which he was named in 1988 and 1990 respectively.

"This orderly and planned transition insures that the bank is well positioned for continued growth throughout the 1990s," said Pepper.

With $7 billion in assets, Washington Mutual is the largest independent financial institution in Washington.

CONTACT: Scott F. Selby of Washington Mutual Savings Bank, 206-461-3186

-30- 886

#90352p4535 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - The Internal Revenue Service announced postponement of a sale of luxury collector cars which had been scheduled for Dec. 20, 1990, until after the first of 1991. "Although we received more than 100 letters indicating interest in the sale, an insufficient number of serious potential bidders made inquiry. The majority of people who contacted IRS just

wanted to see what a one-half million dollar car looked like," said IRS spokesman Larry Wright.

"In addition, some of the potential bidders interested in the 1956 Mercedes Gullwing, estimated to be worth $600,000, expressed concern at the relatively short time between the announcement of the intended sale last Nov. 23, 1990, and the old Dec. 20, 1990, proposed date of sale. These prospective buyers felt more time was needed to make financial arrangements for such a large purchase," Wright explained.

Everyone who contacted the IRS regarding the Mercedes Gullwing, the 1967 Toyota 2000 GT or the 1967 Lamborghini 400 Islero was notified by mail of the sale's postponement. These people will also receive notification by mail when the date and location of the sale is firmed up.

The Gullwing was seized by the Drug Enforcement Administration from a Bay Area Hashish dealer. The car has been stored since its seizure at an undisclosed impound facility operated by the Department of Justice. When the sale date and location are selected, plans are to allow prospective bidders to view the cars a few days before the sale.

Individuals interested in the sale should send a post card or letter of interest to: IRS; 1330 Broadway, Room 600; Oakland, CA 94612; Attn: Gullwing. A recorded listing of all IRS sales, including updated information on these three collector cars is available at 415-556-5021. The seizure/sale hotline is available 24 hours a day.

CONTACT: Larry Wright of the Internal Revenue Service, 415-556-0551

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#90352p4540 12/18/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENLO PARK, CALIF. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Failure Group(TM) Inc., (NASDAQ: FAIL) today reported revenues of $18.3 million, including professional fees of $15.1 million, for its quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990. This represents increases of 27 percent and 25 percent, respectively, compared with revenues of $14.4 million and professional fees of $12.1 million for the comparable period in the preceding year.

Net income for the second quarter increased 62 percent to $1.8 million compared to net income for the second quarter last year of $1.1 million. Net income per share for the second quarter increased 22 percent to 22 cents per share, compared to 18 cents per share for the second quarter last year. This reflects the increased number of shares outstanding following the company's initial public offering on Aug. 17, 1990.

Year-to-date revenues total $35.1 million, including professional fees of $29.3 million. This represents an increase of 24 percent when compared with

both year-to-date revenues of $28.4 million and professional fees of $23.7 million through the second quarter last year. Year-to-date net income totals $3.5 million, or 48 cents per share, representing increases of 25 percent and 9 percent, respectively, compared to year-to-date net income of $2.8 million, or 44 cents per share, last year.

The Failure Group(TM) Inc. signed an agreement on Dec. 17 to acquire all the outstanding stock of Animated Technologies Inc., of Los Angeles, Calif., in exchange for 10,750 shares of common stock and a three-year incentive provision that could result in the issuance of up to another 10,750 shares of common stock. The acquisition is scheduled to close prior to Dec. 31, 1990. Animated Technologies Inc. specializes in visually presenting engineering data computer models, and/or data analysis information to aid in the recipient's understanding of the information. The acquisition will enhance the company's computer animation service offerings.

Dr. Subbaiah V. Malladi has been elected senior vice president of The Failure Group(TM) Inc., effective Jan. 1, 1991. Dr. Malladi is currently senior vice president of Failure Analysis Associates Inc., a position he will retain. "The election of Dr. Malladi to this position reflects his increasing contribution to total company operations and enhances the company's senior management structure," said Dr. Roger L. McCarthy, president and chief executive officer.

The company announced that on January 1, it will also form an "Office of the President" comprised of Dr. McCarthy, Dr. Malladi, and Duane W. Bell, corporate vice president and chief financial officer. Dr. McCarthy stated, "This management structure will enable the company to continue its growth and operations as a public entity and continue to meet the professional demands placed upon the executive professional staff."

The Failure Group(TM) Inc., through its principal operating subsidiary, Failure Analysis Associates Inc., is the leading independent consulting firm devoted primarily to the investigation, analysis, and prevention of failures of an engineering or scientific nature. Failure Analysis Associates was founded in 1967, and currently operates nine domestic and three international offices. The company's headquarters facility is located in Menlo Park, Calif.

CONTACT: Duane W. Bell of The Failure Group Inc., 415-326-9400

-30- 3608

#90352t3973 12/18/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 18) TASS - TWO-DAY POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER ALEXANDER BELONOGOV AND NIGERIAN MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS ZAKARI IBRAHIM ENDED HERE TODAY.

IBRAHIM WAS ALSO RECEIVED BY SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER VLADIMIR PETROVSKY.

THE SIDES DISCUSSED INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL PROBLEMS, INCLUDING THE SITUATION IN THE SOUTH OF AFRICA.

THE SIDES PRAISED CHANGES IN SOUTH AFRICA WHICH HAVE CREATED CONDITIONS FOR A POLITICAL SETTLEMENT OF PROBLEMS.

THEY STRESSED THE NEED TO ENCOURAGE A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE ANGOLAN CONFLICT AND PRAISED THE SOVIET-AMERICAN STATEMENT ON ANGOLA.

THE SIDES ALSO EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF BILATERAL RELATIONS.

BELONOGOV AND IBRAHIM SIGNED A PROTOCOL ON POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE SOVIET AND NIGERIAN FOREIGN MINISTRIES, WHICH PROVIDES FOR A REGULAR EXCHANGE OF OPINIONS ON BILATERAL COOPERATION AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

THE CONSULTATIONS WERE HELD IN A BUSINESSLIKE ATMOSPHERE OF GOODWILL.

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BAKU (DEC. 18) TASS - TENSION HAS INCREASED IN THE DISPUTED NAGORNO-KARABAKH ENCLAVE AND NAKHICHEVAN AUTONOMOUS REGION IN AZERBAIJAN AGAIN OVER RECENT DAYS FOLLOWING FRESH ARMED ATTACKS, LEAVING SIX PEOPLE DEAD.

AZERBAIJANI KGB CHIEF VAGIF GUSEINOV SAID THAT AN AZERBAIJANI DRIVER WAS KILLED AND TWO PEOPLE, INCLUDING ONE SOLDIER, WERE WOUNDED LAST THURSDAY NIGHT WHEN A TRUCK CONVOY WAS AMBUSHED EN ROUTE TO THE AZERBAIJANI VILLAGE OF UMUDLU.

ON THE SAME NIGHT, UNIDENTIFIED MEN STALKED A MILITARY PATROLMAN, SEIZING HIS SUBMACHINE-GUN AND AMMUNITION.

ON SATURDAY, ARMENIAN GUNMEN FIRED ON A MOTOR VEHICLE ON THE WAY TO SHUSHU, KILLING THREE AZERBAIJANIS, INCLUDING TWO POLICEMEN, AND INJURING FOUR OTHERS.

ALSO ON SATURDAY, EXTREMISTS ATTEMPTED TO PROVOKE MASS UNREST BY BLOCKING THE AIRPORT OF THE NAGORNO-KARABAKH CAPITAL STEPANAKERT.

GUSEINOV SAID SIMILAR ATTEMPTS TO GENERATE TENSION HAD OFTEN BEEN UNDERTAKEN AHEAD OF IMPORTANT POLITICAL EVENTS IN THE COUNTRY.

HE SAID NAGORNO-KARABAKH SEPARATISTS THEREBY INVITE RETALIATION FROM LOCAL AUTHORITIES SO THAT LATER TO ACCUSE THEM OF SUPPRESSING A "POPULAR MOVEMENT".

A SQUAD CAR WAS AMBUSHED IN THE SHARURA AREA OF NAKHICHEVAN REGION ON MONDAY NIGHT. TWO POLICEMEN WERE KILLED AND ANOTHER WAS GRAVELY WOUNDED.

MEANWHILE, BREAD QUEUES HAVE BECOME A FACT OF LIFE IN STEPANAKERT, TASS CORRESPONDENT VADIM BYRKIN REPORTED FROM THERE. OTHER FOODSTUFFS ARE ALSO IN VERY SHORT SUPPLY.

THE CHIEF OF THE STEPANAKERT RAILWAY STATION, E. SHAKHZADOV, TOLD BYRKIN THAT 23 FREIGHT CARS WITH FLOUR, BUTTER, CANNED FOOD AND OTHER NECESSITIES FOR NAGORNO-KARABAKH WERE BLOCKED ON THE STRETCH BETWEEN YEVLAKH AND AGDAM.

THE CHIEF OF THE REGIONAL AGRO-INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE, L. PETROSYAN, WARNED THAT THE FOOD SITUATION IN THE REGION IN THE NEAR FUTURE CAN BECOME CATASTROPHIC.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 18) TASS - RUSSIA AND BYELORUSSIA SIGNED AN AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION IN POLITICS, ECONOMY, CULTURE, HEALTH CARE, ENVIRONMENT AND SCIENCE HERE TODAY.

THE DOCUMENT WAS SIGNED BY RUSSIAN PRESIDENT BORIS YELTSIN AND HIS BYELORUSSIAN COUNTERPART NIKOLAI DEMENTEI.

REAFFIRMING THEIR ADHERENCE TO THE AIMS AND PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER, THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT AND OTHER CONFERENCE ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION DOCUMENTS, THE SIDES HAVE AGREED TO RECOGNISE AND RESPECT THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF RUSSIA AND BYELORUSSIA WITHIN THEIR CURRENT BORDERS, THE DOCUMENT SAYS.

ALL ISSUES AS REGARDS UNION PROPERTY SHOULD BE SETTLED ON THE BASIS OF SPECIAL AGREEMENTS, BASED ON THE SIDES' LAWS ON THE PROTECTION OF ECONOMIC SOVEREIGNTY WITH PARTICIPATION OF INTERESTED PARTIES, IT SAID.

THE SIDES PLEDGED NOT TO TAKE ECONOMIC MEASURES THAT COULD HARM THE OTHER PARTY.

THEY AGREED TO EXCHANGE MISSIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE TREATY. THEY WILL ALSO SET UP A PERMANENT INTER-GOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE.

THIS IS THE MOST PEACEFUL TREATY, BORIS YELTSIN SAID.

"THIS TREATY SHOULD IMPART GREATER CERTAINTY TO OUR PEOPLE IN WORK AND LIFE AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME," HE SAID AT THE SIGNING CEREMONY.

THE TREATY IS A "HORIZONTAL BASIS" FOR A NEW UNION TREATY, YELTSIN SAID.

RUSSIA AND BYELORUSSIA SHARE COMMON CULTURE AND INDUSTRIAL STRUCTURES, NIKOLAI DEMENTEI SAID.

"I WANT OUR FRIENDSHIP TO STRENGTHEN EVEN MORE," HE SAID.

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#90352t3991 12/18/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (DEC. 18) TASS - THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL AGENCY TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO REPLACE THE COUNCIL FOR MUTUAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE (CMEA) OR A TRIBUTE TO FASHION BUT A VITAL NECESSITY, CMEA DEPUTY SECRETARY STEFAN ZAWODZINSKI TOLD THE FOUNDING MEETING WHICH OPENED TODAY.

THE INEFFICIENT CMEA WILL SOON BECOME A REGIONAL ECONOMIC ORGANISATION OF AN ADVISORY NATURE, WHICH WILL DEVELOP INTER-STATE COOPERATION. RELATIONS THAT DEVELOPED ON A MICRO-LEVEL, SHOULD BE PRESERVED AND EVEN EXPANDED, HE NOTED.

THIS WILL BE THE FIELD OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE NEW NON-GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY WHICH WILL OPERATE BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE ECONOMIC GROUP.

ITS 100 FOUNDERS INCLUDE, APART FROM ORGANISATIONS FROM THE CMEA MEMBER-COUNTRIES, GERMAN, FRENCH, SWEDISH AND SWISS FIRMS.

THE AGENCY WILL CENTRE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF EFFICIENT AND ECOLOGICALLY CLEAN TECHNOLOGIES. IT WILL ALSO CONDUCT MEDIATION ACTIVITIES IN MARKETING.

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#90352t3993 12/18/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (DEC. 18) TASS - SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE TODAY RECEIVED ITALIAN AMBASSADOR FERDINANDO SALLEO AT HIS REQUEST.

ON THE INSTRUCTION OF THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT CHAIRING AT THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, SALLEO CONVEYED TO SHEVARDNADZE DOCUMENTS OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE SESSION WHICH WAS HELD IN ROME ON DECEMBER 14-15 AT THE LEVEL OF THE HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE 12 EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

THE DOCUMENTS CONTAIN DECISIONS ON AID AND ASSISTANCE TO SOVIET ECONOMIC REFORMS. THE SOVIET SIDE EXPRESSED GRATITUDE FOR SOLIDARITY.

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#90352u0033 12/18/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 17) UPI - Washington Coach Terry Murray spent lots of time standing around and watching breakways Monday night. His players did, too.

The Capitals, who normally check with diligence, blew a two-goal lead and allowed the New York Rangers to score a 5-3 victory in the night's lone NHL game.

''I can't remember the last time we gave up that many breakaways in a game,''

Murray said. ''It's tough to stand there and watch that many happen time after time.''

Caps goalie Mike Liut won his share of the confrontations, but Bernie Nicholls converted one with 13 seconds left in the second period, pulling New York into a 3-3 tie.

Ray Sheppard then scored a power-play goal at 4:45 of the third period, breaking a tie and helping the Rangers snap a five-game winless streak against Patrick Division foes.

''We give up a key breakaway in the last minute of the second period, '' Murray said. ''That's a very fundamental play, playing by the clock. We weren't aware of what was going on around us at all.''

Sheppard capped a long passing sequence by stepping just outside the crease and backhanding his 14th goal past Mike Liut. John Ogrodnick added his second goal of the game and 17th of the season later in the period.

The line of Ogrodnick, Kelly Kisio and Brian Mullen accounted for three goals and four assists.

''Over the last four games against us, they've dominated,'' Kisio said. ''Tonight they came out and it looked like they were going to do it again.

''We were lucky to get a couple of big goals and turn the tide our way. We were able to grind out a good win. They took a couple of penalties they shouldn't have and we scored on the power play. In the past, they have pretty good penalty killers and have held us off. Tonight the breaks went our way.''

Dino Ciccarelli, Calle Johansson and Kelly Miller helped Washington take a 3-1 edge. Then Kisio and Nicholls scored. Nicholls' goal came on a breakaway, not long after Kisio was stopped on a solo.

''That's not like Washington to allow that many breakaways,'' Nicholls said. ''I think we had four. For them, that meant some miscommunication somewhere. We were fortunate to capitalize on a couple of them.''

With Washington leading 3-1, the Capitals' Tim Bergland took an interference penalty at 13:55 and Kisio slapped James Patrick's feed over Liut at 15:01, cutting the deficit to 3-2.

Nicholls took a breakaway pass from Mike Gartner and scored with just 13 seconds left in the period, tying the score.

Ciccarelli gave Washington a 1-0 lead at 9:10 of the first period, but Ogrodnick tied it at 15:59, three seconds after a New York power play expired. Ogrodnick's goal capped a scramble in which the puck hit both posts.

Johansson put the Capitals ahead 2-1 with a power-play goal at 19:25 of the first period, one-timing a feed from Mike Ridley.

Miller made it 3-1 at 12:17, tipping in a drive by Bob Rouse.

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#90352u0038 12/18/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (UPI) - Mitch Williams, upset about the Chicago Cubs' free agent signing of Dave Smith and reports of bad-mouthing by Manager Don Zimmer, fired back Monday, demanding a trade.

Williams, who saved 36 games in his first season for the Cubs in 1989 when they won the National League East, reacted angrily after hearing the team had signed Smith to a 2-year, $4.4 million contract.

''I want out of Chicago,'' Williams said Monday from his Arlington, Texas, home. ''I just don't care for the things I've heard about Don Zimmer talking behind my back and all that and saying bad things about me.

''I just don't want to play for that,'' Williams said. ''There's no question now I want out of Chicago.''

''I'm sorry the way he feels,'' Zimmer said late Monday from his Florida home. ''He did an outstanding job for us in '89 and he was one of the very big parts in the greatest year I've ever spent in baseball.''

A knee injury hampered Williams in 1990, and the left-hander recorded just 16 saves. He also started two games, an experiment Zimmer later said failed.

Williams could complement the right-handed Smith in the bullpen, but the Cubs received some offers for Williams at the winter meetings and so a trade is a possible.

Smith, 35, is the third free-agent signed by the Cubs. They also inked pitcher Danny Jackson to a 3-year, $10.5 million contract, and acquired outfielder George Bell with a 3-year deal for $9.8 million, plus another option year at $3 million.

Smith has spent 11 seasons with Houston, compiling a 53-47 major- league record. He has 199 career saves and a 2.53 ERA.

In the 1990 season, Smith was 6-6 with 23 saves and a 2.39 ERA. He struck out 50 in 60 1-3 innings, and opposing batters hit .210 against him.

Smith finished tied for fourth in the National League in saves, and seventh in games finished with 42. He converted 23 of 28 save opportunities.

''We've talked about stabilizing our late relief situation many times in the last couple of months,'' Cubs General Manager Jim Frey said. ''We needed a right-handed reliever to finish off games.

''Dave Smith is the type of player who has been very consistent over the years '' Frey said. ''His numbers and his record show consistency at a high level of performance. He should add the stability we've been looking for.''

The Cubs, who have a club option on a third year with Smith, waived right-hander pitcher Randy Kramer to make room on the roster. Kramer was 0-2 in 10 games, two of those starts, with a 3.98 ERA for the Cubs in 1990.

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#90352u0062 12/18/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 18) UPI - Ohio State's cupcake schedule, which has produced seven straight victories, now loses some of its sweetness.

The Buckeyes, ranked No. 7 in the latest UPI Board of Coaches Top 25 Poll, upped their record to 7-0 Monday night with a 103-66 pasting of Tennessee State. Next comes No. 10 Georgetown Saturday in Las Vegas, Nev.

''I'm very anxious for Saturday's game and to play a quality program like Georgetown, which has two of the best post people in the country,'' said second-year Ohio State Coach Randy Ayers, referring to Georgetown's ''Twin Towers'' of 6-foot-10 Alonzo Mourning and 7-2 Dikembe Mutombo.

''I don't think this game (against Georgetown) will make or break us for the year, but our players will be excited about the game. Our players appreciate what Georgetown has done over the years,'' Ayers said.

Ohio State, which has scored more than 100 points in six of its seven games, hasn't trailed this season and has won by an average of more than 40 points.

But the seven Buckeye wins have come against Bethune Cookman, Youngstown State Delaware State, Chicago State, Wright State, American and Tennessee State. None of them rank with Georgetown.

''It's going to be a great atmosphere in Vegas,'' said Ayers. ''I'm sure our players will be ready to play. It will give us a good indication of where we are.''

The Ohio State-Georgetown game is the first of a double-header billed as the ''Duel in the Desert,'' with the second matching No. 1 Nevada-Las Vegas against Florida State.

Perry Carter led Ohio State with 20 points and Jimmy Jackson added 18 as five

Buckeyes scored in double figures. Ohio State outrebounded Tennessee State 60-37 with Carter, Bill Robinson and Chris Jent hauling in 11 each.

''I was happy to see our inside people play well,'' said Ayers. ''We needed this type of game to prepare us for Georgetown. Carter, (Treg) Lee and Robinson all gave us some solid minutes.''

Tennessee State, which fell to 2-7, was led by J.J. Eubanks' 30 points. Eubanks, a transfer from Marshall University, was playing his first game for the Tigers.

-- AROUND THE NCAA --

In other games Monday night, Houston pounded Centenary 100-57 and Clemson demolished Suth Carolina State 103-83.

At Houston, Darrell Mickens scored 20 points and grabbed 20 rebounds to help the Cougars improve to 7-1. Byron Smith had 18 and Derrick Smith added 16 for Houston, which won its fourth straight. All 12 Houston players who played, scored. Patrick Greer paced the Gentlemen, 4-5, with 11 points.

At Columbia, S.C., Ricky Jones scored 25 points and Dale Davis added 21 to power the Tigers. Clemson, 6-2, trailed most of the first half and led only by five points at the half before using a 10-4 run to open the second and take control. Chris Felix led the Bulldogs, 3-4, with 18 points.

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#90352u0064 12/18/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - President Bush, determined there will be no negotiations with Iraq and no concessions, said that Saddam Hussein should realize the armed forces being arrayed against him ''would be devastating.''

Bush made the remarks to representatives of 28 countries in the international coalition assembled in the White House Rose Garden on Monday, saying they have all committed forces ''of one kind or another to this extraordinary effort.''

The president had briefed the diplomats privately, highlighting a high-profile day apparently designed to keep public pressure on the Iraqi leader to pull out of Kuwait before the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline for total withdrawal.

Earlier, Bush met in the Cabinet Room with the U.S. ambassador to Kuwait, Nathaniel Howell, who returned to Washington Friday after living under siege for more than 100 days in Kuwaiti City. During a picture- taking session, Bush said developments do not ''bode well for Saddam Hussein.''

''None of us wants war, but none is prepared to accept a partial solution,'' Bush said. ''Thus far, Iraq's behavior underscores what I think is a lack of

interest in a peaceful settlement.''

''What we want to do is to impress upon Iraq the consequences of aggression and for Iraq to leave every square inch of Kuwait,'' he told reporters.

''I would think at some point he (Saddam) would realize this force being arrayed against him would be devastating,'' Bush said after meeting with the coalition delegates. ''The United Nations said that he should get out or all available means will be used against him.''

''What you see here is living proof that the international coalition arrayed against Saddam's aggression remains deep and wide,'' he said.

''The 12 Security Council resolutions make clear what is required: Iraq's complete, immediate and unconditonal withdrawal from Kuwait,'' he said.

The president said the coalition members are contributing 200,000 troops to the military effort against Iraq and added ''tens of thousands are on their way'' to the Persian Gulf.

He repeated that ''it is not simply the United States against Iraq; it is Iraq against the world.''

Bush made it clear that although there have been contacts with Iraqi officials they have reached no agreement on dates for an exchanges of emissaries.

The president proposed talks in Washington between himself and Iraqi Foreign Minister Aziz Tariq and in Baghdad between Secretary of State James Baker and Saddam.

If all had gone as planned, Bush and Aziz would have met at the White House Monday. But the United States canceled the meeting after Saddam insisted that Baker visit Baghdad on Jan. 12, three days before the U.N. deadline for Iraq's total withdrawal from Kuwait.

Asked if he would consider sending Baker to meet Aziz in a third country, Bush said, ''I hadn't thought about that but if it would do any good - if that would help get the message to him that he has got to leave without condition - I certainly would not oppose that.''

At the same time, however, Bush reiterated his opposition to any meeting close to the U.N. Jan. 15 deadline. ''What I am not going to do is shove these meetings right up against the United Nations deadline.''

''If meetings are held,'' Bush said, ''I want to reiterate publicly, namely we want to impress upon Iraq the consequences of its aggression.''

Bush said he is not in a ''threatening mode'' but insists there will be ''no

negotiations, no concessions for one inch of territory.''

''I'm satisifed the coalition has never been firmer,'' Bush said. ''We've got to prevail, and we will.''

Earlier Monday, Bush told reporters Saddam is wrong if he thinks the United States is bluffing in its demand for total withdrawal of Iraqi troops by Jan. 15.

In a brief appearance in the White House briefing room, Bush said Turkish President Turgut Ozal told him Sunday that Saddam is misinterpreting the debate in the United States over U.S. policy in the Persian Gulf.

''He thinks it means our country is divided and we cannot go forward with the U.N. resolutions and he is just as wrong as he can be,'' Bush said.

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#90352u0066 12/18/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 18) UPI - The Pentagon says the U-S forces in the Gulf will be prepared to force Iraq out of Kuwait on January 15th. Spokesman Pete Williams says the United States ''absolutely'' would be ready for offensive action on that day. U-S forces now total more than 270-thousand.

President Bush says he's ''totally confident'' that if war breaks out in the Persian Gulf region, it won't become another Vietnam. Bush says the agony of Vietnam is still with us. He says it's remembered as a war where people were asked to fight with one hand tied behind their back in essence.

Amnesty International says it has documented 38 methods of torture used by the Iraqi military in Kuwait. The London-based human rights group accused Iraq of human rights abuses against Kuwaitis that include electric shocks, rape, shooting limbs, and cutting off ears or tongues.

Utah authorities are investigating the cause of a collision between a Greyhound bus and two big-rig trucks that killed seven passengers Tuesday. The collision occurred in a blizzard near the Wyoming state line about 40 miles east of Park City.

A group of the nation's rich and powerful launched a new initiative to aid the homeless by using the low-income housing tax credit to provide housing for the homeless. The group visited one of Washington's most economically diverse neighborhoods Tuesday.

Bitter cold stung the northern Plains and the mountains of the West got another helping of snow. But elsewhere, springlike warmth brushed the East and South with temperatures in the 60's and 70's... just three days before the official start of winter.

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#90352u0069 12/18/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - In case the Bush administration might try to mislead Congress on Persian Gulf policy, the American Civil Liberties Union says it is looking for government officials to help it keep policy-makers honest.

In an advertisement in The Federal Times, a newspaper aimed at federal workers the ACLU said Monday that government employees have ''the legal right and a political responsibility'' to tell Congress if they know the legislative body is being misinformed.

The ACLU does not make any allegations that the Bush administration is engaging in any deceptive or misleading practices with regard to Congress.

Its campaign stems from experiences with both the Vietnam and Iran- Contra episodes when high-ranking administration officials apparently lied to Congress or deliberately misled lawmakers who might oppose their policies.

''The experience of the Iran-Contra affair and the Vietnam War teaches us that the administration is most likely to deceive Congress - and the American people - when it is pursuing a controversial foreign and military policy in the face of congressional and public cautiousness and opposition,'' said Morton Halperin, director of the ACLU's Washington office.

The advertisement is headlined: ''A call to all persons to ensure that Congress is kept fully informed about what the administration is doing in the Persian Gulf.''

Because of past deceptions, the advertisement said, ''Congress has been significantly hampered in performing its necessary functions.

''It can be a federal crime to mislead the Congress, such as making false statements to Congress, obstructing the proceedings of Congress, or refusing to answer questions from Congress,'' the ad said.

In prepared remarks, Daniel Ellsberg, a former Pentagon official who disclosed the so-called Pentagon Papers to expose executive branch deception during the Vietnam War, said if he had made the documents public earlier it might have changed the course of the war.

''Sen. Wayne Morse, D-Ore., told me that if I had given the Senate Foreign Relations Committee the documents in the Pentagon Papers in 1964 rather than in 1969, the Tonkin Gulf Resolution would never would have passed and the horrors of the Vietnam War might have been averted,'' Ellsberg said.

Morse was one of only two Senators to vote against the resolution, widely regarded as tantamount to a declaration of war and which gave the Johnson adminsitration virtual free reign to militarily prosecute the Vietnam War.

''If you have documents or other information bearing on decisions of war or peace about which you know that Congress is being misled or manipulated, you should be prepared to give that information to Congress and the public now, before the guns have started,'' Ellsberg said.

Halperin said that Congress ''cannot perform its constitutional function of deciding whether or not to to authorize the president to go to war if the administration deceives Congress about the president's policies or intentions.''

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(DEC. 18) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
y-Buffalo	12	2	0	.857	390	220	6-1	W-3
y-Miami	11	3	0	.786	299	201	6-0	W-2
Indianapolis	6	8	0	.429	229	302	3-4	W-1
New York Jets	4	10	0	.286	237	324	1-6	L-5
New England	1	13	0	.071	164	391	1-6	L-12

CENTRAL

Pittsburgh	8	6	0	.571	243	206	1-3	W-2
Houston	8	6	0	.571	351	253	3-1	W-2
Cincinnati	7	7	0	.500	299	318	3-1	L-2
Cleveland	3	11	0	.214	214	406	1-3	W-1

WEST

y-LA Raiders	10	4	0	.714	292	232	5-2	W-3
Kansas City	9	5	0	.643	324	226	4-3	L-1
Seattle	7	7	0	.500	259	264	3-4	L-1
San Diego	6	8	0	.429	282	240	2-4	L-1
Denver	4	10	0	.286	297	344	3-4	W-1

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
x-New York Giants	11	3	0	.786	298	180	6-1	L-1

y-Washington	9	5	0	.643	324	252	4-4	W-3
y-Philadelphia	8	6	0	.571	356	275	3-3	W-1
Dallas	7	7	0	.500	234	265	2-5	W-4
Phoenix	5	9	0	.357	216	344	2-4	L-1
CENTRAL								
x-Chicago	10	4	0	.714	311	245	5-2	L-2
Tampa Bay	6	8	0	.429	236	324	5-2	W-2
Minnesota	6	8	0	.429	323	265	3-5	L-2
Green Bay	6	8	0	.429	241	301	3-4	L-3
Detroit	5	9	0	.357	339	366	2-5	W-1
WEST								
x-San Francisco	13	1	0	.929	323	209	4-1	W-3
New Orleans	6	8	0	.429	241	248	2-2	L-1
Los Angeles Rams	5	9	0	.357	315	372	2-2	L-2
Atlanta	3	11	0	.214	302	345	1-4	L-7

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff berth

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#90352u0108 12/18/1990 ~United Press International

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (DEC. 18) UPI - A victory celebration turned bloody, as soldiers fired into a crowd of election revelers outside a church, killing a pregnant woman and wounding several other people, two of them children, witnesses and news reports said.

Supporters of front-runner Jean Bertrand Aristide were celebrating outside St. Bosco Church Monday when a truckload of soldiers arrived and fired into the air to disperse the crowd, witnesses said.

When the revelers, estimated from 200 to as many as 2,000 people, would not break up, the soldiers fired into the crowd, killing a pregnant woman and wounding several other people, including two children under 10. Government and other sources gave conflicting reports of the crowd size, and no more accurate estimate was immediately available.

Police officially logged the incident as an auto accident, said Alain Couture, member of the U.N. observer group security detail. Couture, a lieutenant colonel in the Candadian army, said the U.N. also was recording it as an auto accident.

Radio France reporter Alain Heudes said he saw the soldiers open fire and the wounded fall to the ground. He said the pregnant woman was killed and several other people were wounded, some in the legs.

Initial reports said 18 people were injured, but that number could not be independently confirmed.

A doctor at General Hospital, Port-Au-Prince's main medical facility, said the dead woman was shot in the lower abdomen. The doctor, who requested anonymity, said the woman was from 30-35 years old and was eight months pregnant

International observers said Aristide appeared to have won Sunday's presidential election. With 1 percent of the vote tallied, Aristide was leading with 70.6 percent of the vote.

A total of 27,827 ballots were counted from four provinces, of which Aristide took 19,181. Former World Bank economist Marc Bazin, the other leading candidate, received 3,410 votes, or 12 percent. The rest of the votes were divided up between the nine other candidates.

The shooting occurred outside St. John Bosco Church, where in 1987 the Tonton Macoutes, the Duvalier dynasty's armed loyalist thugs, tried to assassinate Aristide, killing 13 people and leaving 80 others injured.

Aristide, a charismatic 37-year-old Catholic priest, was expelled from the Salesian religious order for using his pulpit as a political platform and preaching ''class struggle.'' Many Haitians began to celebrate what they felt would be Aristide's certain victory moments after casting their ballots Sunday.

The shooting appeared to be an isolated incident, as elsewhere the army has been respectful, the populace restrained, and the main international observer teams have given the election a clean bill despite a number of irregularities reported at the polls.

The U.S. government delegation and the observer team of former President Jimmy Carter said that despite delays in the release of official election results it seemed apparent that Aristide had won Haiti's presidential election.

''We respect and support the choice of Father Aristide as the apparent president-elect of Haiti,'' Bernard Aronson, assistant secretary of state for Inter-American Affairs, told reporters.

Carter said he also expected a victory for the populist Aristide.

''I have not seen any evidence to contradict that Father Aristide will be successful,'' Carter said. ''The results we have gotten back show a very strong support for Aristide.''

International observers said that elections were democratic.

''I think they were very democratic elections,'' said Joao de Medicis, chief of the United Nations' observer group. ''There were some irregularities, but

they did not affect the result of the election.''

The Sunday vote was by ballot shortages and polling stations that opened more than seven hours late. The problems triggered brief street demonstrations. But until Monday's shooting there had been no violence.

Some 2.7 million people were eligible to vote for president, a two- chamber National Assembly and hundreds of local officials amid heavy security at some 16,000 polling stations.

De Medicis said that because the cases of fraud and manipulation of voting materials came from both sides they canceled each other out.

He said that according to U.N. estimates, 70 percent of registered voters had cast ballots.

The election was the third attempted in four years in the impoverished Caribbean island country's quest for democracy since the 29-year Duvalier dictatorship collapsed in February 1986, when Jean- Claude ''Baby Doc'' Duvalier fled to France.

Thousands of people took to the streets Monday to celebrate Aristide's apparent victory. Most of the people celebrating in the streets in the downtown area, waving leafy branches as a symbol of peace, and honking car and motorcycle horns, were young people.

On Feb. 7, the winner will succeed Interim President Ertha Pascal- Trouillot, a supreme court judge who has led the country since March.

Haiti's last elections in November 1987 were canceled when thugs attacked voters, leaving at least 34 dead. Earlier this month, a grenade attack at a rally for Aristide left at least five people dead.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - President Bush is keeping up public pressure on Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein to pull out of Kuwait before the January 15th deadline for total withdrawal. Bush told diplomats from 28 nations Monday that there will be NO negotiations and NO concessions with Saddam in the Persian Gulf standoff.

Japan's Parliament passed a second bill pledging one-BILLION dollars in non-military aid to the U-S-led forces in the Gulf. Opposition parties in the upper house defeated the bill, but the ruling Liberal Democratic Party resorted to a constitutional provision that gives the final say in budgetary matters to the lower house.

Soviet President Gorbachev Monday outlined the concentrated powers he's

seeking to deliver the Soviet Union from crisis. In an address to the Soviet Congress, Gorbachev acknowledged that ''stability and order have been undermined,'' and said it will take 12 to 18 months to put his troubled administration back on track.

The Justice Department says gas tax fraud is on the increase... becoming a BILLION-dollar a year bonanza for white collar criminals. Officials say the scam which stated in New York and once was the domain of mobsters and gasoline bootleggers now appears to have spread across the country. They say the lure of illicit profits has gone up with the recent rise in the federal fuel tax.

Convicted California wine country mass murderer Ramon Salcido faces death in the gas chamber. A judge in San Mateo County handed down the death sentence for the 29-year-old forklift operator Monday for butchering and shooting seven people to death in a 1989 rampage. The victims included his wife and two of their young daughters.

In New York, the accused assassin of militant Zionist Rabbi Meir Kahane appears in state Supreme Court in Manhattan Tuesday for a second bail hearing. El Sayyid Nosair is jailed on Rikers Island under a 300-thousand dollar bail. The Egyptian-born Nosair is charged with fatally shooting the Jewish leader at a midtown hotel last month.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL SCORING SUMMARY:

San Francisco	3	13	3	7--26
LA Rams	0	7	3	0--10

FIRST QUARTER

SF-FG Cofer 23, 9:32

SECOND QUARTER

SF-Rathman 1 run (pass failed), 7:31

SF-Rice 60 pass from Montana (Cofer kick), 8:58

LA Rams-Faison 8 pass from Everett (Lansford kick), 13:28

THIRD QUARTER

SF-FG Cofer 31, 4:02 LA Rams-FG Lansford 21, 11:30

FOURTH QUARTER

SF-Carter 74 run (Cofer kick), 1:16

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SF Rams

First downs	21	17
Rushes-yards	36--173	19--53
Passing yards	215	213
Sacked-yards lost	3--4	3--19
3rd down eff.	8--15--53.3	6--13--46.2
4th down eff.	1--1--100.0	0--1--00.0
Passes	15--30--0	17--35--2
Punts	3--35.0	4--28.8
Punt returns-yds	3--13	1--10
KO returns-yds	3--70	5--78
Fumbles-lost	3--2	2--2
Penalties-yards	12--109	10--68
Time of possessin	33:28	26:32

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-San Francisco-Carter 13-124, Rathman 12-29, Montana 2-9, Craig 8-8, Sydney 1-3. LA Rams-Green 12-34, Gary 3-11, McGee 2-7, Everett 2-1.

PASSING-San Francisco-Montana 15-30-0-219. LA Rams-Everett 17-35-2-232.

RECEIVING-San Francisco-Rice 5-104, Rathman 3-38, Taylor 2-25, Craig 2-19, Jones 1-15, Sydney 1-9, Williams 1-9. LA Rams-Anderson 4-74, Ellard 4-68, Holohan 4-58, Gary 2-5, A. Cox 1-14, Faison 1-8, McGee 1-5.

SACKS-San Francisco-Haley 1-11, D. Brown 1-8, Jackson 1-0. LA Rams-Greene 2- 4
Piel 1-0.

INTERCEPTIONS-San Francisco-Griffin 1-23, Waymer 1-0.

Missed field goal: San Francisco, Cofer, 63.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

LA Clippers at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
LA Lakers at New York, 8 p.m.
Miami at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Detroit at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Orlando at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Minnesota at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Golden State at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

Buffalo at Hartford, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at NY Islanders, 7:35 p.m.
Boston at New Jersey, 7:35 p.m.
Winnipeg at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Montreal at Quebec, 7:35 p.m.
Philadelphia at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Vancouver at Calgary, 9:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Edmonton, 9:35 p.m.

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ANAHEIM, Calif. (DEC. 18) UPI - The Los Angeles Rams wrecked the 49ers' chance for a perfect season, but San Francisco extracted revenge Monday night by eliminating their NFC West rivals from the playoff chase.

Two big plays - a 60-yard touchdown pass from Joe Montana to Jerry Rice and a game-clinching 74-yard scoring run by rookie Dexter Carter - pushed San Francisco to a 26-10 triumph over Los Angeles and gave the 49ers home-field advantage throughout the conference playoffs.

''The important thing is we don't have to go to Chicago or New York,'' Coach George Seifert said. ''And we have at least one game in front of our fans (at Candlestick Park).''

In avenging its only loss of the season, the 49ers capitalized on a shoddy effort by Los Angeles quarterback Jim Everett to boost their record to 13-1. The victory also extended their NFL-record road winning streak to 18 games and Montana's record as a starter at Anaheim Stadium to 9-0.

''It would have been awkward to lose two games in a season to them,'' fullback Tom Rathman said. ''We just don't like to lose; that's the bottom line.''

Los Angeles, which stunned the two-time defending NFL champions 28-17 at Candlestick Park three weeks ago, fell to 5-9. It marks only the second time in John Robinson's eight-year stint as Rams coach that he will not take the team to the playoffs.

With San Francisco leading 19-10, Carter took a handoff, cut to the sideline and outraced Vince Newsome and Jerry Gray to the end zone with 13:44 remaining for his first NFL touchdown.

The run was the longest in the NFC this season - Gill Fenerty of New Orleans had the previous best against the Rams last week - and the longest for San

Francisco since 1977.

''That was the longest run of my career since high school,'' said the 170-pound scatback. ''Guys around the league already respect me. I'm a little bit better inside runner than people may have expected.''

The former Florida State star finished with 124 yards on 13 carries, giving the 49ers their first 100-yard rushing game this season.

Mike Cofer had field goals of 23 and 31 yards and Rathman added a 1- yard scoring run for San Francisco. Rice's TD catch in the second period was his 12th this year and first in five games.

''The two big plays - the one to Jerry Rice and Carter's in the second half - were disastrous for us,'' Robinson said. ''We could not match them big play for big play.''

Everett, who misfired on 8 of his first 9 passes, finished 17 of 35 for 232 yards, one touchdown and two interceptions despite working against a secondary missing injured staters Ronnie Lott and Chet Brooks. He also fumbled the ball away once.

''They had a good defensive scheme against us,'' Everett said. ''We were frustrated with that part.''

Said Seifert: ''We didn't sack Everett often (three times) but we kept pressure on him all night.''

Montana completed 15 of 30 passes for 219 yards, one touchdown and no interceptions.

Los Angeles, 2-6 at home this season, moved to within 16-7 on its final possession of the first half and had the ball on its 44 two plays into the second. Everett, though, fumbled and Matt Millen recovered, setting up Cofer's 31-yarder.

Los Angeles then got to within 19-10 when Mike Lansford kicked a 21- yard field goal to conclude a 14-play drive with 3:30 left in the third quarter.

Carter then sealed the victory with his touchdown. Everett was later picked off twice.

After his slow start, the quarterback appeared to get untracked when, with his team trailing 16-0 in the second quarter, he connected with Willie Anderson for 36 yards to the 49er 39.

Johnny Jackson intercepted Everett on the next play, but Don Griffin was called for illegal contact, giving Los Angeles a first down. Five plays later,

rookie Derrick Faison scored his first NFL touchdown off Everett's 8-yard pass to make it 16-7 with 1:32 left in the first half.

Cofer kicked his 23-yarder in the first quarter, and the 49ers scored again when Rathman leaped over on 4th-and-goal midway through the second period.

A high snap on the extra-point attempt forced holder Barry Helton into an incomplete pass. But on San Francisco's next play, Rice blew past Gray, then came back to grab Montana's bomb for a 16-0 bulge.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - President Bush says none of the forces aligned against Iraq wants war, but none is prepared to accept a partial solution. But Bush says Iraq's behavior so far underscores what he called ''a lack of interest in a peaceful settlement.'' He told reporters Monday- quote- ''What we want to do is to impress upon Iraq the consequences of aggression and for Iraq to leave every square inch of Kuwait.''

President Bush's nomination for education secretary was greeted with quick enthusiasm from many quarters. Bush Monday tapped former Tennessee Governor Lamar Alexander to fill the post vacated by Lauro Cavazos. Sammie Lynn Puett, a vice president at the University of Tennessee, called Alexander a ''superb choice.'' And Albert Shanker, president of the powerful American Federation of Teachers union, says he's hopeful Alexander will assume ''a strong leadership role to move a meaningful education program forward.''

Tehran radio reports a powerful earthquake rumbled through southwestern Iran, triggering landslides that sealed off several mountain villages. At least 44 people were injured in the tremor that measured six-point-five on the Richter scale. The radio said the temblor hit the Persian Gulf port of Bushehr some 460 miles south of Tehran and its epicenter was in the Zagros Mountains northeast of the waterfront city.

In New York, the strike-bound Daily News has filed a second major lawsuit against nine striking unions. In a suit filed in U-S District Court in Manhattan, the newspaper repeated its accusation that strikers have mounted a ''campaign of violence'' against newsstand dealers and advertisers in an effort to disrupt the publication and sale of the paper. The action seeks 50-Million dollars in damages.

Health Secretary Louis Sullivan wants to improve the U-S infant mortality rate by requiring states to link Medicaid programs with a food program for poor women. The U-S infant mortality rate is one of the worst in the industrialized world. Under a proposed rule, states would be required to provide written information on the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children to Medicaid-eligibile women who are pregnant, breastfeeding or gave

birth within the past six months.

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#90352u0185 12/18/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 18) UPI - U.S. officials, fearing Iraq might stage a partial pullout of Kuwait in an effort to shatter the international coalition opposing the invasion, reiterated the stance that only complete withdrawal was acceptable.

Speaking to different groups of allies on separate continents Monday, President Bush and Secretary of State James Baker said the forces arrayedagainst Iraq remained strong and unified.

''What we want to do is to impress upon Iraq the consequences of aggression and for Iraq to leave every square inch of Kuwait,'' Bush told reporters following a meeting in Washington with 28 members of the coalition.

''I would think at some point he (Saddam) would realize this force being arrayed against him would be devastating,'' Bush said. ''The United Nations said that he should get out or all available means will be used against him.''

Baker told NATO foreign ministers in Brussels Monday that Iraq may withdraw partially from Kuwait around the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline, but said the alliance should stand firm against partial solutions to the Persian Gulf crisis.

''Just as I believe he chose to release hostages for this purpose, I think he may take a dramatic step on or around Jan. 15. He could withdraw partially,'' Baker said, according to excerpts of his closed- door testimony released by U.S. officials.

The NATO foreign ministers issued a strongly worded statement reiterating there can be ''no partial solutions'' to the gulf crisis.

Baker said he is still willing to go to Baghdad to meet face-to-face with Saddam, but he said the Iraqi president is still intent on trying to undercut the ''collective will of the international community to use force.''

Bush said Turkish President Turgut Ozal told him Sunday that Saddam was misinterpreting the debate on the United States over U.S. policy in the gulf.

''He thinks it means our country is divided and we cannot go forward with the U.N. resolutions and he is just as wrong as he can be,'' Bush told reporters.

Bush also said he hoped talks in Washington between himself and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and in Baghdad between Baker and Saddam will still take place, despite a dispute over dates.

While Baker delivered his warning, Baghdad-based Palestinian terrorist Abul

Abbas threatened to attack U.S. and Western interests world-wide if the multinational force confronting Iraq tried to liberate Kuwait.

The official Iraqi news agency INA said Mohammad Abbas, better known as Abu Abbas, secretary-general of the Palestinian Liberation Front, told the Baghdad Al-Jumhoriya newspaper that American facilities around the world had been targeted.

''Abbas further said that if the war would take place, then it would not proceed in the direction planned for by the U.S. administration and that the United States has no capability of containing the battle in a certain area,'' INA said.

Abbas is widely believed to be the mastermind behind the 1985 kidnapping of the Mediterranean cruise ship Achille Lauro and the seaborne attack on Israeli beaches by Palestinians this past May.

President Bush has said he will hold Saddam personally responsible for any terrorist attacks against Americans.

The last two British diplomats to leave Kuwait departed from Baghdad on their way home, and the British Foreign Office advised the families of its citizens in the gulf to leave before Jan. 15.

British Ambassador Michael Weston and Consul Larry Banks told British Broadcasting Corp. television that they locked up the embassy in Kuwait Sunday and climbed out a window by ladder after enduring a four-month siege by Iraqi troops.

Tensions were raised over the weekend when Iraq canceled a planned meeting between Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and Bush in Washington, which was supposed to take place Monday.

The two countries are deadlocked over a date for a meeting between Saddam and U.S. Secretary of State James Baker in Baghdad, with Washington insisting it be held before Jan. 3 and Baghdad insisting on Jan. 12.

The Iraqi ambassador to France, Abdul Razlaq El-Hashemi, suggested in Paris that his country might agree to withdraw from Kuwait following the proposed talks, but would make no concessions before then.
In other developments:

-A Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman said in Moscow he could not confirm reports from Baghdad that Iraqi authorities were holding up the evacuation of 2,500 Soviets until Moscow made financial compensation to Iraq for their broken work contracts.

Spokesman Vitaly Churkin said the Soviet Union would probably make some

payments to Iraq.

''We will calculate all that and settle all those issues, but so far its too early to quote any figures,'' he said.

-Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak met separately in Cairo with Algerian President Chedli Benjedid and a delegation of U.S. senators led by Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell of Maine.

-Doctors from the Nobel Prize-winning organization International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War said they were traveling to Baghdad to warn Saddam of the horrors of an armed conflict.

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ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (DEC. 18) UPI - Senior Pakistani and Indian officials met Tuesday to seek ways to defuse tensions that have built up between the two rival nations over the disputed region of Kashmir.

Foreign Secretary Shehryar Khan and his Indian counterpart, Muchkund Dubey, began two days of talks, the third round of a series of meetings which began in Islamabad in July and continued in New Delhi one month later.

The two previous rounds failed to make any significant progress toward resolving the root causes of tensions between the two South Asian neighbors, and analysts say this week's discussions are also unlikely to result in any breakthrough.

''Our purpose is to enhance mutual understanding and confidence between our two nations,'' Dubey told reporters at Islamabad's airport after his arrival late Monday. ''In this way we hope to reduce tensions and normalize our relations.''

Pakistani officials have said there is no fixed agenda for the talks but that they would focus on Kashmir.

India has accused Pakistan of arming and training Islamic militants conducting an 11-month-old uprising against New Delhi's rule in Jammu and Kashmir state. Islamabad has denied the charges, but says it morally supports the movement.

The dispute led to fears of a fourth war between the two nations over the northern Kashmir region, which is claimed by both sides but is divided along a U.N.-monitored cease-fire line into Indian and Pakistani controlled sectors.

Officials said Pakistan will press India during the talks for a joint redeployment of forces along the border to peacetime locations.

Pakistan is suspected of pushing ahead with a program to develop nuclear weapons following the rise in tensions over Kashmir. The suspicions led Washington to freeze millions of dollars in aid to Pakistan in October.

Islamabad has denied the accusations and repeatedly said it will sign the nuclear non-profileration treaty, which would require international inspection of its nuclear facilities, if India also does.

India, which exploded a nuclear device in 1974, has rejected the offer, charging the treaty is discriminatory in favor of the superpowers.

The officials said Pakistan's proposal of a ''regional approach'' to the nuclear issue may also come up in the foreign secretaries' talks.

New Delhi has also accused Islamabad of aiding Sikh extremists waging a bloody campaign to turn India's northeastern Punjab state into an independent nation, charges Pakistan denies.

Both nations have new governments since the last round of talks. In Pakistan, Nawaz Sharif was elected Oct. 24 to succeed ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto, and in India a shakey coalition headed by Chandra Shekar last month replaced the year-old administration of V.P. Singh.

The two new leaders met for the first time at a regional summit meeting in the Maldives capital of Male in November.

''We will take our cue from the very positive dialogue held between our two prime ministers in Male,'' Foreign Secretary Khan told reporters after receiving Dubey at the airport Monday.

However, Dubey's arrival follows heated exchanges between the two sides over Hindu-Moslem riots that have left hundreds of people dead in India this month.

Pakistan last week called on New Delhi ''to take effective measures to stop the communal killings and to protect the lives, properties and places of worship of the Moslem community of India.''

New Delhi has charged Pakistani extremists are behind the unrest and described Islamabad's latest statement as ''patently objectionable interference'' in India's internal affairs.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I brings the latest news.

President Bush and his ace envoy are re-iterating that only complete

withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait is acceptable. Bush and Secretary of State Baker spoke to different groups of allies on separate continents yesterday, saying the forces against Iraq remain strong and unified.

Bush met at the White House with 28 diplomats representing the international coalition opposing Iraq. He said Iraq must leave ''every square inch of Kuwait.'' And Baker told NATO foreign ministers in Brussels that Iraq may withdraw partially from Kuwait, but that the alliance should stand firm against partial solutions to the Gulf crisis.

Army doctor Captain David Wiggins says he just thinks war is immoral. The 28-year-old Fort Hood, Texas, soldier has refused to eat since November 30th in an unsuccessful attempt to win a discharge as a conscientious objector. But yesterday, Wiggins prepared to ship out to Saudi Arabia. He's vowed to continue his fast in the desert and hopes to make himself useless to the Army.

Members of a religious group say they'll try to force feed comatose patient Nancy Cruzan today, despite a Missouri judge's order removing the woman from a life support feeding tube so she can die. The Reverend Joseph Foreman, head of a group called Prisoners of Christ, says he and 40 other activists will visit Cruzan's Mount Vernon hospital room. She has lingered in a vegetative state since a 1983 automobile accident.

In Poland, the government says eight army officers have been charged following a two-month investigation into the bloody 1970 Gdansk shipyard riots. The announcement yesterday came on the 20th anniversary of the riots in which the army fired on demonstrators, killing more than 50 people.

Former East German Premier Lothar de Maiziere has resigned as minister without portfolio in the German federal government. The move follows charges that de Maizier was an informer for East Germany's communist state security police. He says his contact with the Stasi was limited to attempts to help clients and he accepted no money.

A Texas think tank is recommending that the federal deposit insurance system be eliminated. The National Center for Policy Analysis, a non- profit research group in Dallas, says the insurance is threatening the stability of U-S banking. It says depositors can keep their money safe without the insurance and the system should be phased out completely by 1997.

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#90352u0254 12/18/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, Philippines (DEC. 18) UPI - U.S. officials Tuesday further eased travel restrictions for some 40,000 Americans assigned in military bases in the Philippines, citing reduced threats from communist guerrillas.

The restrictions were clamped on the six U.S. facilities on the eve of the

third round of talks on the future of the installations. The lease on the facilities expires in September 1991.

At least 10 Americans have been killed in the Philippines in slayings blamed on guerrillas of the communist New People's Army. The 17,000 NPA has been battling the Manila government for 21 years.

However no guerrilla attacks involving Americans were reported in the last round of talks held in Manila. The talks were to resume next month.

After the talks closed in Dec. 7, restrictions were eased.

Lt. Cmdr. Kevin Mukri, spokesman for the commander of U.S. forces in the Philippines, said Tuesday the curfew has been further shortened to 1 a.m. to 5:30 a.m. and liberty now was allowed in designated areas near the bases.

In announcing the relaxation of restrictions at Clark Air Base, Subic Bay Naval Base and four smaller facilities, Mukri said on U.S. military television there has been a ''reduced threat'' to the 40,000 troops, defense department employees and dependents.

Philippine military officials have announced a three-day halt in offensives against the NPA on Christmas and a similar 72-hour cease-fire on New Year's. The insurgents have likewise announced they would silence their guns for two days during Christmas and three days during New Year's.

In the only incident reported Tuesday, the military said NPA raided a militia detachment in Agusan del Norte province on the southern island of Mindanao Monday, leaving two militiamen dead.

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TOKYO (DEC. 18) UPI - Charges that Japan has been slow in meeting its financial commitments to the forces confronting Iraq are unjustified, the Foreign Ministry's chief spokesman said Tuesday.

In addition to $600 million already spent on or committed to the U.S. -led forces in the Gulf, a fresh $1 billion Japanese contribution will reach them by yearend, spokesman Taizo Watanabe said.

''It is quite unfair for anybody to criticize Japan's speed'' in fulfilling its pledges, he said.

Over the weekend, Democratic congressmen, headed by House majority leader Richard Gephardt, charged that Japan was dragging its feet on promised payments to the U.S.-led forces. The congressmen estimated that Japan had met only 21 percent of its $4 billion commitment, made by Prime Minister Toshiki

Kaifu in September.

But Watanabe said it was unfair to measure Japan's contributions that way.

For one thing, he said, until the Japanese Parliament passed a supplementary budget containing the $1 billion authorization Monday night, only $3 billion was available for disbursement.

Against that figure, Japan has spent, contracted or specifically committed $1.6 billion, or 53 percent.

Of that, roughly $100 million was in-kind aid to U.S.-led forces, he said. This included trucks, construction materials and desalinization equipment.

An additional $70 million was spent on transporting goods to the forces and $430 million was granted in cash to the forces, he said.

Japan has committed a further $1 billion in aid to Jordan, Turkey and Egypt and promised an additional $1 billion in aid to front-line states in the future.

As for the first round of contributions, Watanabe said the U.S. military had been slow in drawing up their shopping lists, setting back the distribution of Japanese funds, he said.

''Their requests came so late, we just couldn't disburse as fast as we expected,'' Watanabe said.

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#90352u0300 12/18/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (DEC. 18) UPI - The Japanese government, overcoming a reluctance to help the Soviet Union, announced Tuesday it will offer the Soviets $108 million in emergency loans and grants to help relieve food and medical shortages.

Chief Cabinet Secretary Misoji Sakamoto said Japan will extend $100 million in loans to the Soviet Union through Japan Export Import Bank and $7.6 million in food and medicine through the Japan Red Cross Society.

''This aid is granted purely from a pure humanitalian point of view,'' Sakamoto said.

Japan has insisted that it would not consider aid to the Soviets until a territorial dispute over four island groups off northern Japan is settled.

The Foreign Ministry's chief spokesman, Taizo Watanabe, suggested that the policy had not changed.

''When the situation deteriorates in a neighboring country, we have to act,'' Watanabe said. ''But we maintain a set policy toward the Soviet Union.''

Sakamoto said the government will support private sector efforts to provide emergency aid to the Soviet Union and organize the movements into a larger, more efficient mechanism.

The government is considering tax credits on commodity and financial aid from the private sector, he said.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Two nasty cold fronts rocketed across the nation Tuesday, the first prompting flood warnings and bringing heavy rain to the Midwest and Northeast and the second racing into the Pacific Northwest carrying winds gusting to 60 mph.

By far the largest of the two fronts stretched from Louisiana to New England, and brought showers and thunderstorms with flashes of lightning to northern Louisiana while rain spread to Texas, Oklahoma and Arkanasas.

The brunt of the front hit further north, where a flash flood watch was in effect for all of Kentucky as light rain fell on already saturated ground and forecasters warned of flooding in the coal fields in the southeast.

The leading edge of the front moved rapidly through other Midwest states, including Ohio, Indiana and Michigan, where light snow mixed with freezing drizzle was falling throughout northwest Upper Michigan.

Further east, flood watches in effect for western Pennsylvania and the northern West Virginia panhandle as up to 3 inches of rain fell in an hour, causing small streams to rise out of their banks.

In New England, the front caused freezing rain in the hills of northwest Connecticut and up to Boston.

Across the continent, a cold front moved in off the Pacific carrying winds that were clocked near 60 mph, prompting warnings in Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

High winds knocked tree limbs into power lines in Walla Walla, Wash., causing several fires and blew dust across Interstate-84 in southern Idaho, cutting visibility. Wind also picked up in the Rockies, where high wind warnings were in effect.

Clear skies covered much of the Great Plains where temperatures were mild, but

showers from the large cold front moved into the deep South.

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#90352u0316 12/18/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, Egypt (DEC. 18) UPI - A new batch of Egyptian armored units left Cairo Tuesday for Saudi Arabia to beef up some 20,000 troops already serving with the U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the region, Cairo Radio reported.

The state-owned radio did not say how many troops were involved, but added that the armored force constituted the ''first units of the fourth armoured division'' which Cairo pledged to send to Saudi Arabia.

Egypt is a staunch supporter of the military build-up in the Gulf region which is aimed at deterring any further Iraqi aggression.

But President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt has made clear on several occasions that his country's armed forces will not be used to strike Iraq, but may be used as peace-keeping forces or in mopping-up operations after the liberation of Kuwait.

On Saturday, Mubarak vowed to help defend Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates against Iraqi aggression.

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#90352u0326 12/18/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK (DEC. 18) UPI - The Burmese military government is becoming more and more stable due to the country's booming economy, which makes it difficult for dissidents to rally the people against the military regime, a Rangoon-based diplomat said Tuesday.

The diplomat, who asked not to be identified, said recent harvests have been good and Burma is experiencing prosperity.

''The economy in Rangoon is booming,'' the diplomat said. ''Nobody complains about the economy. You can find anything you want (in the markets).''

He said farmers are becoming well-off despite decreasing crop prices due to a strong harvest and a lifting of restrictions on selling of crops.

''A lot of people get benefits from this. There is no reason to make trouble when the economy is good,'' the diplomat said. ''Leaders in the resistance will have fewer and fewer people to join them.''

The Burmese military seized direct power following a bloody crackdown against the pro-democracy movement in September 1988. It allowed a free general election but so far has refused to hand over power to the overwhelming winner

of the polls, the National League for Democracy, which captured some 80 percent of the vote.

He said the declaration of provisional government, as proposed by some dissidents, would give the military junta an excuse to crack down on the NLD.

''This government is thinking about new ideas and measures to hit the dissidents hard,'' he said. ''The government is too strong so there is nothing the people can do to protest, he said.

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#90352u0416 12/18/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 18) UPI - At day two of the Congress of People's Deputies in Moscow today, officials from the breakaway Baltic republics and other leaders rejected Mikhail Gorbachev's proposal for a national referendum on the future of the Soviet Union.

The official Iraqi news agency yesterday quoted an official of a terrorist group called the Palestinian Liberation Front as saying that American facilities around the world have been targeted.

State Department officials and staffers yesterday gave a rousing welcome home to Ambassador Nathaniel Howell and his eight colleagues, who returned to the office after 132 days in the beleaguered embassy in Kuwait.

U-S officials today eased travel restrictions for about 40-thousand Americans assigned to military bases in the Philippines. Due to reduced threats from communist guerrillas, curfews were shortened and liberty now is allowed in designated areas near the bases.

Wine country mass murderer Ramon Salcido was sentenced yesteday to die in California's gas chamber. Salcido was convicted of butchering seven people, including two of his children in 1989.

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#90352u0515 12/18/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 18) UPI - At today's second day of the Congress of People's Deputies in Moscow, officials from the breakaway Baltic republics and other leaders rejected Mikhail Gorbachev's proposal for a national referendum on the future of the Soviet Union. Estonia's president said ''Estonia did not hold any referendums when it was taken over by the Soviet Union in 1940.'' He said ''The question of holding a referendum now is illegitimate.''

Two prisoners took a guard hostage at the Federal Metropolitan Correction Center in San Diego today. Authorities say Bureau of Prisons and F-B-I negotiators are talking with the inmates. A second guard was able to escape

the situation in the high-security area of the 12-story building in downtown San Diego near the waterfront.

The accused killer of militant Zionist Rabbi Meir Kahane has a new bail hearing today. Justice Alvin Schlesinger is scheduled to hold a second bail hearing for El Sayyid Nosair in state Supreme Court in Manhattan. On December 5th, Schlesinger set bail for Nosair at 300-thousand dollars, touching off a storm of protest by Jews. The controversy forced Schlesinger to reconsider his decision.

New York's Daily News yesterday filed a second major lawsuit against nine striking unions, repeating their accusation that strikers have mounted a ''campaign of violence'' against newsstand dealers and advertisers. The suit asks for 50 Million dollars in damages and names the nine unions and the Allied Printing Trades Council, the umbrella group that represents the strikers. The strike is in its eighth week.

Senior Pakistani and Indian officials met today to seek ways to defuse tensions that have built up between the two rival nations over the disputed region of Kashmir. India has accused Pakistan of arming and training Islamic militants conducting an 11-month-old uprising against New Delhi's rule in Jammu and Kashmir state. Islamabad has denied the charges, but says it morally supports the movement.

The Japanese government announced today that it will offer the Soviets 108 Million dollars in emergency loans and grants to help relieve food and medical shortages. Japan has insisted that it would not consider aid to the Soviets until a territorial dispute over four island groups off northern Japan is settled. But a foreign ministry spokesman said ''When the situation deteriorates in a neighboring country, we have to act.''

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City &	Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque	sy	40	24	....
Anchorage	c	08	-10	....
Asheville	sh	51	47	.09
Atlanta	sh	63	58	....
Baltimore	sh	47	40	.26
Billings	sn	39	32	....
Birmingham	ts	72	65	....
Bismarck	sn	20	16	....
Boston	r	47	35	.02
Brownsville	mc	83	61	.02
Buffalo	r	42	38	.26

Burlington Vt. r	33	20	.04
Charleston S.C. mc	67	58	....
Charlotte mc	52	51	....
Chicago cy	39	34	.13
Cincinnati r	60	51	1.50
Cleveland r	47	39	.45
Columbus Ohio r	50	41	.87
Dallas pc	69	50	.12
Denver w	37	24	.03
Des Moines mc	35	13	.21
Detroit r	42	38	.14
Duluth cy	30	06	....
El Paso sy	48	33	....
Evansville r	56	44	1.73
Fargo sn	16	03	.01
Hartford r	45	29	.05
Honolulu cy	82	71	....
Houston mc	80	53	.15
Indianapolis r	51	41	.60
Jackson Miss. r	76	69	....
Jacksonville mc	79	58	....
Kansas City pc	42	25	.16
Las Vegas pc	54	33	....
Little Rock r	62	51	2.31
Los Angeles sy	64	46	....
Louisville r	63	54	2.03
Memphis r	68	54	1.91
Miami Beach pc	79	73	....
Milwaukee cy	38	32	.35
Minneapolis cy	35	08	.01
Nashville sh	67	59	.55
New Orleans ts	79	70	....
New York r	49	39	.16
Oklahoma City pc	51	38	.82
Omaha pc	36	11	.19
Orlando pc	80	59	....
Philadelphia r	48	39	.14
Phoenix sy	58	39	....
Pittsburgh r	47	40	.75
Portland Me. r	44	26	....
Portland Ore. sh	50	44	.01
Providence r	50	29	.08
Richmond pc	47	44	....
St. Louis r	48	40	.57
Salt Lake City sn	35	28	....
San Antonio pc	82	55	....
San Diego sy	63	47	....
San Francisco pc	63	45	....

San Juan pc	83	70	.14
Seattle sn	49	37	....
Spokane sn	40	31	....
Tampa pc	82	63	....
Washington sh	45	41	.19
Wichita sy	45	32	.01

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - Inflation at the retail level eased last month as consumer prices rose 0.3 percent after gaining 0.6 percent in October, the Labor Department reported Tuesday.

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annual rate of 6.4 percent, compared with a 4.6 percent gain during the same period last year.

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The index for food and beverage prices rose 0.4 percent last month after gaining 0.3 percent in October. Grocery prices gained 0.7 percent in November after posting a smaller gain of 0.5 percent the month before.

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In housing, overall prices rose 0.2 percent in November after increasing 0.3 percent in the previous month. Homeowners' costs were up 0.1 percent, renters' costs rose 0.5 percent and maintenance and repair costs gained 0.4 percent.

The greastest change came in the transportation index, which increased 0.6 percent in November after rising 2.1 percent the month before. The easing was attributed to ''substantial moderation'' of prices for motor fuels.

The index for gasoline rose 0.3 percent last month after gaining a steep 7.7 percent in October. During the first 11 months of the year, gasoline prices have increased 37.3 percent.

Automobile purchase costs rose 0.6 percent, the second consecutive monthly advance and only the third increase in the past 10 months. Used car prices, meanwhile, continued to fall, declining 0.9 percent last month.

Apparel and upkeep costs declined 0.2 percent in November, the same decline as the month before. The government said the decrease was reflected in widespread price declines for all clothing other than men's apparel.

Medical care costs continued to rise, gaining 0.8 percent in November to a level 9.4 percent greater than the year before. Prices for prescription and non-prescription drugs and medical supplies rose 0.6 percent. Charges for medical services advanced 0.8 percent.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - A lower-than-expected money supply figure touched off a strong rally Tuesday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange but some late profit taking trimmed the gains.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selective issues, which fell 261. 59 points Monday, gained 336.11 points - or 1.4 percent - to 24,424.02.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index, which slipped 21. 43 points Monday, gained 11.59 points to 1,790.48.

Volume remained slow, as an estimated 350 million shares changed hands, up slightly from the 278 million Monday.

Declines outpcaed advances by a slight margin, 474 to 468, while 169 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices closed higher in dull trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange reflecting the usual market sluggishness around the Christmas

holidays.

The Hang Seng Index, which plunged 73.77 points Monday, rebounded 14. 73 points to 3,066.65.

In Singapore, stock prices edged higher in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange in line with the gain in Tokyo.

The blue-chip Straits Times Industrial Index, which fell 16.75 points Monday, rebounded 2.82 points to 1,174.40. The broader-based All Singapore Index rose 1.13 point to 323.79.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 31.7 million shares, compared with 25 million shares Monday.

In Bangkok, stock prices eased slightly in thin trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange amid growing worries of a shooting war in the Persian Gulf.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which fell 27.60 points Monday, slipped another 2.94 points to 619.04.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 59 million Thai shares, compared with 79 million shares Monday.

In Australia, stock prices closed sharply lower on the Sydney Sharmarket despite a 1 percent cut in Australia's official interest rates.

The All Ordinaries Index, which lost 14.3 points Monday, fell 12.1 points to 1,283.6 - its lowest level since February 1988.

The All Resources Index fell 9.6 points to 761.5 and the All Industrial Index lost 14.6 points to 1,762.4.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 79.7 million shares, compared with 57.5 million shares Monday.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - The United States posted a trade deficit of $11.6 billion in October, $2.3 billion more than the deficit of $9.3 billion in September, the government said Tuesday.

The Commerce Department reported October's imports totalled $46.4 billion while exports were $34.8 billion.

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exports of $32.0 billion.

The September to October boost in exports reflected increases in sales of industrial supplies and materials, automobiles, capital goods and consumer goods, the government said.

The monthly change in imports was fueled by trade in automobiles and oil, accounting for $2 billion of the difference between September and October, the government said.

Imports of petroleum rose $1 billion to $7.2 billion in October, the largest value of oil imports since April 1981, when oil imports totalled $7.4 billion, the government said.

Exports of manufactured goods totalled $26.8 billion, up $2.8 billion from September. Most of the increase came from automobiles, power generating machinery, non-monetary gold, vehicle parts, industrial machinery and electrical machinery.

Manufactured goods imports rose $6 billion to a total of $37.2 billion in October. Increases were reported in imports of automobiles, clothing and footwear, telecommunications equipment, airplanes, general industrial machinery, toys, games and sporting goods.

Imports of petroluem products rose $1 billion to $7.2 billion during the month. A total of 249 million barrels were imported during the month, 5 million barrels less than September and 9 million barrels less than the January-to-September average of 258 million barrels.

The average price per barrel in October was $29.04, up $4.73 from September and $10.96 more than the January-to-September average of $18. 08.

The trade deficit with Japan stood at $4.5 billion while the deficit with members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries stood at $2.7 billion.

Other trade deficits included, Canada, $1.4 billion; China, $1.2 billion; Taiwan $1.1 billion; Western Europe, $600 million; Hong Kong, $500 million; Korea, $400 million; Mexico, $300 million and Brazil, $300 million.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - The presidents of Algeria and Egypt said they were united in their call for a withdrawal of all Iraqi troops from Kuwait, and the Algerian leader rejected outright Saddam Hussein's attempt to link his occupation of the emirate to the Palestinian issue, Cairo Radio reported Tuesday.

''This direct linkage is not logical and is unrealistic,'' the state- owned radioquoted Algerian President Chadli Benjedid as telling reporters late Monday at a joint Cairo news conference with Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak.

Saddam has tried to divide the Arab alliance rallied against him by linking his annexation of Kuwait with the highly-emotive Palestinian issue. This has generated sympathy for the Iraqi leader among desperate Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied Arab territories, but has failed to win him support in key Arab nations such as Egypt and Syria.

''The gulf issue is an Arab-Arab issue, but the Middle East crisis or the so-called Palestinian issue is between the Arabs on the one hand, and Israel and its allies on the other,'' Benjedid added.

Saddam in August linked the issue of a possible Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait to an Israeli pullout from the Arab-occupied territories in Palestine, Syria and Lebanon. U.N. Security Council Resolution 242, adopted in 1967, proposes Israel withdraw its troops from Arab territory in return for Arab recognition of the Jewish state.

Benjedid held two sessions of talks with Saddam during a Middle East peace-seeking tour that ended in Cairo. He said he did not believe Iraq was rejecting dialogue with the United States.

Benjedid said the problem is rooted in the manner in which such a dialogue was to be held.

President Bush agreed to meet Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz in Washington and allow his Secretary of State James Baker to meet Saddam in Baghdad for a final round of talks before the Jan. 15 United Nations deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait or face possible military force.

But Bush rejected an Iraqi request for Baker to meet Saddam Jan. 12 as being too close to the deadline, and Iraq refused to consider any earlier date, effectively putting the talks on hold.

''I don't believe any party is rejecting the idea of dialogue ... on the contrary, I believe Iraq's only reservations lie in how to conduct the dialogue,'' said Benjedid, whose country has a long history of successful mediations but has so far apparently failed to achieve success in the gulf standoff.

Egypt, meanwhile, sent a further batch of Egyptian armored units to Saudi Arabia Tuesday to beef up some 20,000 troops already serving with the U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the region.

Regional observers saw the move as an indication that Cairo would not weaken its resolve in standing up to Saddam Hussein until his last soldier left

Kuwait.

The Egyptian move came a day after U.S. officials, fearing Iraq might stage a partial pullout from Kuwait in an effort to shatter the international coalition opposing the invasion, reiteratd the stance that only complete withdrawal was acceptable.

Speaking to different groups of allies on separate continents Monday, Bush and Baker said the forces arrayed against Iraq remained strong and unified.

''What we want to do is to impress upon Iraq the consequences of aggression and for Iraq to leave every square inch of Kuwait,'' Bush told reporters following a meeting in Washington with 28 members of the coalition.

''I would think at some point he (Saddam) would realize this force being arrayed against him would be devastating,'' Bush said. ''The United Nations said that he should get out or all available means will be used against him.''

Baker told NATO foreign ministers in Brussels Monday that Iraq may withdraw partially from Kuwait around the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline, but said the alliance should stand firm against partial solutions to the Persian Gulf crisis.

''Just as I believe he chose to release hostages for this purpose, I think he may take a dramatic step on or around Jan. 15. He could withdraw partially,'' Baker said, according to excerpts of his closed- door testimony released by U.S. officials.

The NATO foreign ministers issued a strongly worded statement reiterating there can be ''no partial solutions'' to the gulf crisis.

Baker said he is still willing to go to Baghdad to meet face-to-face with Saddam, but he said the Iraqi president is still intent on trying to undercut the ''collective will of the international community to use force.''

Baghdad-based Palestinian terrorist Abu Abbas on Monday threatened to attack U.S. and Western interests worldwide if the multinational force confronting Iraq tried to liberate Kuwait.

The official Iraqi news agency INA said Mohammad Abbas, better known as Abu Abbas, secretary-general of the Palestinian Liberation Front, told the Baghdad Al-Jumhoriya newspaper that American facilities around the world had been targeted.

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VATICAN CITY (DEC. 18) UPI - Pope John Paul II called on world leaders and governments Tuesday to ensure ''authentic freedom of conscience'' and to protect the rights of minorities as a means of promoting world peace.

The pope issued his appeal in his annual message for World Peace Day, which the Catholic Church celebrates Jan. 1. The message, published by the Vatican, was also sent to all heads of state throughout the world.

''I wish to address a special and urgent appeal to all who are in positions of public responsibility - heads of state or of government, legislators, magistrates and others - to ensure by every means necessary the authentic freedom of conscience of all those who live within the limits of their jurisdictions, and pay special attention to the rights of minorities,'' the pope said.

''Besides being an issue of justice, this serves to promote the development of a peaceful and harmonious society,'' he said.

The pope's 18-page, closely reasoned message was based on the theme, ''If you want peace, respect the conscience of every person.''

It stressed particularly the need for every state to ensure full religious freedom for all its citizens, whatever their religion.

''This is especially true when one considers that in today's world it is rare for the entire population of a country to have the same religious beliefs and to belong to the same ethnic group or culture'', the message said. ''Mass migration and population shifts are resulting in the growth of multi-cultural and multi-religious societies in various parts of the world.

''In this context, respect for the conscience of everyone takes on added urgency and presents new challenges to every sector and structure within society, as well as to legislators and government leaders,'' the pope said.

''It is urgently necessary at this moment of history to strengthen juridical instruments capable of promoting freedom of conscience in the areas of political and social life,'' the pope said. ''The gradual and constant development of an internationally recognized legal order could well provide one of the surest bases for the peace and orderly progress of the human family.''

He said the need ''to take concrete steps towards ensuring full respect for freedom and conscience has become even more urgent in the light of events of last year'' - a clear reference to the ousting of totalitarian regimes in Eastern Europe.

''The rapid changes which have taken place show very clearly that a person may not be treated as a kind of object governed solely by forces outside his or her control,'' John Paul said.

In a passage on religious freedom that appeared to apply particularly to his native Poland, the pope said:

''One of the most significant aspects of today's world is the role that religion has played in the awakening of peoples and in the search for freedom.

''In many cases it was religious faith that preserved intact and even strengthened the identity of entire peoples,'' he said. ''In nations where religion was hindered or even persecuted in an attempt to treat it as a relic of the past, it has once more proved to be a powerful force for liberation.''

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LONDON (DEC. 18) UPI - The next archbishop of Canterbury and church leaders in a letter published Tuesday called for Christmas prayers to bring peace to the Middle East.

The Bishop of Bath and Wells George Carey, who becomes the archbishop of Canterbury next month, and other leaders of the Church of England wrote the letter to the London daily The Independent expressing hope that the ''modest symbol of prayers may grow into a great movement of prayer'' to help avoid war in the gulf.

Citing the possible loss of life and potential for the escalation of the violence, the group asked that people pray and observe two minutes of silence at midnight Christmas Eve.

The letter also called for prayers for the convening of a proposed U. N. peace conference, for wisdom and humility for President Bush and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, and a peaceful end to the crisis.

Carey will succeed Dr. Robert Runcie in the post of archbishop of Canterbury Jan. 31.

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RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (DEC. 18) UPI - Saudi women are neglecting their families even though cheap foreign labor has freed them from the burdens of a job and housework, the kingdom's newly named guardian of virtue said.

''In other civilized societies we find that women hold good jobs, but this does not affect their responsibilities towards their families,'' Dr. Abdul

Aziz Bin Adbul Rahman Al-Said said in a newspaper interview Tuesday.

''But the woman here does not do any of her duties. Unfortunately, she does not do her job at home or any other job,'' he said.

Al-Said, recently appointed general president of the Organization for the Promotion of Virtue and Prevention of Vice, told the Arab daily Okaz that the importance of women in society cannot be underestimated because they are responsible for rearing children, particularly daughters.

But he said the free time Saudi women have gained because so many do not hold jobs must be channeled back into their families. Saudi families generally hire ''guest workers'' from the Philippines, India and Pakistan to perform menial tasks.

Saudi women are subject to rigid Moslem laws that require them to wear black robes in many public places and forbid them from driving automobiles. A fledgling women's movement made waves last month when about 40 members drove cars through the capital city of Riyadh and were promptly stopped by religious police.

Al-Said, whose interview was excerpted on the front-page of the English-language Saudi Gazette, said his organization is committed to combating deviant acts. He said he would leave such duties as urging people to perform prayer, which Moslems do five times a day, to other authorities.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

Temperatures and weather from around the world at 1200 GMT Dec. 18:

City	Local Time	Temp F	Temp C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	38	03
Amsterdam cy	1pm	32	00
Ankara pc	3pm	41	05
Athens cy	2pm	61	16
Auckland cy	12m	62	17
Beijing c	8pm	33	01
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	32	00
Bonn s	1pm	32	00
Brussels cy	1pm	31	00
Cairo c	2pm	70	21
Casablanca cy	12n	59	15
Copenhagen cy	1pm	33	00
Dakar c	12n	74	23

Dublin cy	1pm	38	03
Geneva cy	1pm	32	00
Helsinki s	2pm	32	00
Hong Kong pc	8pm	68	20
Jerusalem cy	2pm	59	15
Karachi c	5pm	74	23
Lisbon cy	1pm	46	08
London s	1pm	35	02
Madrid pc	1pm	46	08
Malta c	1pm	60	15
Manila c	8pm	82	27
Moscow c	3pm	19	-07
Nairobi pc	3pm	75	24
Nassau pc	7am	63	17
New Delhi c	6pm	67	19
Nice pc	1pm	47	08
Oslo c	1pm	36	02
Paris cy	1pm	33	01
Pretoria c	2pm	82	28
Riyadh	3pm	78	26
Rome cy	1pm	47	08
Seoul c	9pm	33	00
Sofia cy	2pm	35	01
Stockholm r	1pm	33	00
Sydney c	10pm	72	22
Taipei cy	8pm	61	16
Tokyo c	9pm	47	08
Tunis c	1pm	57	14
Vienna s	1pm	34	01
Warsaw cy	1pm	30	00

Latin America

Buenos Aires dr	9am	63	17
Caracas pc	8am	65	18
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	64	18
Mexico City hz	6am	49	09
Rio de Janeiro	9am	-	-
Santiago c	8am	67	19

Canada

Calgary s		39	03
Edmonton s		30	-00
Montreal r		28	-02
Ottawa r		27	-02
Regina s		11	-11
Toronto cy		37	02
Vancouver pc		44	06

Winnipeg s 03 -16

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (DEC. 18) UPI - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, warning that Iraq may try more ''diplomatic sleights-of-hand,'' said Tuesday that only a complete Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait can defuse the Persian Gulf crisis.

The secretary of state also said that a proposed meeting between Iraq's foreign minister and the European Community is fine providing no ''mixed messages'' are sent.

EC foreign ministers were expected to decide later Tuesday whether to go ahead with such a meeting, even if Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz had not first met with U.S. President George Bush in Washington.

Earlier this month, the EC foreign ministers agreed to a meeting in Rome between Aziz and Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis, assuming that Aziz had first visited Washington. Italy holds the rotating EC presidency.

Baker said a partial Iraqi withdrawal would be unacceptable, drawing an analogy to Europe's appeasement of Adolf Hitler's expansionism.

''It would set an extremely unfortunate precedent,'' he said, ''if we in any way rewarded aggression. We made that mistake in the '30s and we ought not to make it in the '90s.''

Baker, speaking after a meeting of NATO foreign ministers, said the coalition lined up against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein must be prepared for new surprises.

''All the allies are agreed that Saddam Hussein may well attempt further

diplomatic sleights-of-hand in the days ahead,'' he said. ''We are all agreed that we must not allow his manipulations to divert us from full and complete implementation of the Security Council resolutions.''

Resolution 678 of the U.N. Security Council authorizes the use of force if Iraq has not fully withdrawn from Kuwait by Jan. 15.

On Monday, Baker told the NATO meeting that Iraq may take the ''dramatic step'' of a partial withdrawal on or about Jan. 15, and urged the allies to reject it as a ''ploy.''

The NATO foreign ministers, in a statement, said ''there can be no partial solutions'' to the gulf crisis.

Baker said he was pleased the foreign ministers had recognized ''that the security of members of the alliance is thratened by the continued Iraqi refusal to comply with its international obligations,'' thus ''confirming that this threat concerns all of the alliance.''

A tentative Aziz meeting with Bush was supposed to have taken place Monday, but was stymied pending a U.S.-Iraq deadlock over dates for a Baker visit to Baghdad.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 18) UPI - Moldavia's delegates walked out of the Congress of People's Deputies Tuesday, the sixth Soviet republic that will not take part in the entire 10-day conclave in a mounting affront to Mikhail Gorbachev.

In a further setback to Gorbachev's plans for the 15 republics to sign a new union treaty, officials from the breakaway Baltic republics and other leaders rejected his proposal for a national referendum on the future of the Soviet Union.

Estonian President Arnold Ruutel, whose republic has declared independence from the Soviet Union along with the other two Baltic states, told the Congress the Baltics instead favor a normalization of ''inter-state relations'' with Moscow.

''We do not intend to hold such a referendum, because when we came into the Soviet Union in 1940 there was no referendum,'' Ruutel said.

Gorbachev stood in the hallway outside the Kremlin Grand Hall of Congresses for a half-hour Tuesday explaining his positions to a crowd of deputies and reporters, saying he did not understand much of the criticism leveled at him and adding he would stand firm.

''Let them kill me, hang me on a cross, but I will not abandon my position,'' Gorbachev said. ''It is impermissible to pit peoples against one another. We must strive for unity.

'' ... I proposed the holding of a referendum. If someone does not want to be in the union, let him go. But this divorce must be carried out through a referendum.''

Gorbachev is still insisting, however, that republics follow a long, complicated process established by the central government even after a referendum on secession, and he restated his position Tuesday that the country should not be allowed to break apart.

''Our disintegration would mean only blood and poverty and refugees,'' he said.

The problems of ethnic strife intruded on the second day of the Congress, causing Moldavia to join Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Georgia and Armenia in either full or partial boycotts of the conclave.

Moldavia's Deputy Prime Minister Konstantin Oborok complained that the Congress ignored two requests by the Moldavian deputies to discuss the internal ethnic problems tearing their republic apart.

Oborok explained that he objected to the presence at the Congress of deputies from the Moslem Gagauz region and Russian-speaking Dniester region, which have declared themselves independent in acts declared invalid by Moldavia.

''Their presence deprives the Moldavian deputies of their right to participate in the Congress,'' Oborok said, and the Moldavian nationalists left the hall.

The proposal for a vote on whether republics could secede from the Soviet Union and Gorbachev's request for more presidential power to deal with the economic crisis in the country came under renewed sharp attack Tuesday at the congress.

''It is a useless thing,'' Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin said of Gorbachev's proposal. ''The republics have to agree among themselves. No one must dictate to us.''

Newly elected nationalist-controlled parliaments in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania passed declarations of independence earlier this year, and all but one of the other republics have approved milder sovereignty proclamations.

The three Baltic states and the Transcaucasian republic of Georgia have said in recent weeks that they will not sign a treaty subordinating them to Moscow. Nationalist sentiment is also strong in Armenia and Moldavia, where tens of thousands of people demonstrated Sunday against joining a new union.

Large groups of deputies from the rebellious republics boycotted the Congress on Monday, and whole sections of seats were empty in the hall with the red Soviet flag unfurled at its front. A total of 1,979 deputies registered in the 2,250-seat body.

A total of 440 delegates to the Congress, portrayed as the supreme policy-making body of the country under recent reforms, were signed up to speak in the debate on the state of the country.

The first half-dozen speakers Tuesday agreed with Gorbachev's gloomy assessment at the Monday afternoon session of the serious crisis in the Soviet Union, but most were critical of the current administration for doing little concrete to extricate the country from its problems.

Byelorussian leader Nikolai Dementey was one of the few top leaders of republics to voice his support for Gorbachev's ideas.

''Only laws can give us the possibility of realizing sovereignty,'' Dementey said. ''I do not have the impression that the center (central government) is trying to block the realization of the process of sovereignty in the republics.''

Gorbachev shrugged off a failed vote of no-confidence in his performance as president Monday and urged deputies to hold a national referendum that would ''allow every citizen to say yes or no'' on the ''y yes or no'' on the

On the first day of the U.S.S.R. Congress of People's Deputies, Gorbachev also proposed a plebiscite on private land ownership in the vast country and outlined the concentrated powers he is seeking to deliver the nation from crisis.

Acknowledging that ''stability and order have been undermined,'' Gorbachev said it will take 12 to 18 months to put his troubled administration back on track.

Senior Gorbachev aide Georgi Shakhnazarov confirmed that Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov will be removed from his top government post under the president's overhaul plan, which would cut the number of central ministries and place them directly under his control.

The Soviet economy is in chaos, with breakdowns in food distribution so serious that Western nations felt compelled to launch a huge international relief effort to feed the Soviet Union.

With the first day of the bitter Russian winter just around the corner, the official government newspaper Izvestia reported Monday afternoon that Soviet employees of the Red Cross in Moscow were stealing coffee, juice, macaroni, sugar, oil, cigarettes, boots, toothbrushes and other goods sent from abroad.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $377.30, silver base of $3.96 and platinum price of $415.40:

	Tuesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$392.80	387.90
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	201.60	199.10
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	103.50	102.20
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.80	42.30
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	392.80	387.90
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	201.60	199.10
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	104.00	102.70
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.80	42.30
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	399.20	394.10
China Panda .50 troy oz.	205.70	203.10
China Panda .25 troy oz.	106.70	105.30
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.10	45.50
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.50	27.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	393.00	386.30
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	200.80	198.60
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	101.50	101.50
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.70	44.20
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	391.00	386.50
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	202.70	200.20
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	104.00	102.70
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.30	43.80
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	391.30	386.70
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	201.20	198.90
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.40	85.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	N.A.	44.20
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.80	23.60
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.36	$5.38
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,030	$3,090
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,325	$1,325
Platinum		
Australian Koala	428.00	432.00

Isle of Man Noble	425.00	429.00
Canada Maple Leaf	436.00	440.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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LONDON (DEC. 18) UPI - The return of the gallows in Britain looked less likely than ever Tuesday, the day after legislators rejected a motion to reintroduce capital punishment.

The lawmakers Monday defeated a move to make capital punishment mandatory in all murder cases, subject to appeal, by 367 votes to 182, the largest majority of any of the 12 parliamentary debates on the issue since hanging was effectively abolished in 1965.

In addition, an attempt to wipe the last vestiges of capital punishment from the statute book - hanging is theoretically applicable to traitors and pirates - was defeated by a narrow 32-vote margin.

A separate vote defeated a move to reintroduce capital punishment for the murder of a police officer, by 350 votes to 215.

The last people to be hanged in Britain were convicted murderers Peter Allen and Gwynne Evans, who died on the same day in 1964, and the last hanging for treason was of Nazi war propaganda broadcaster William ''Lord Haw-Haw'' Joyce in 1946.

Prime Minister John Major voted against the principal motion, together with every member of his Cabinet except Scottish Secretary Ian Lang.

The establishment daily The Times said, ''The 185-vote margin (in the main vote) was one of the biggest rebuffs for the hanging lobby since abolition 25 years ago.''

But the strongest supporters of the death penalty vowed to continue to fight for hanging.

Teddy Taylor, a deputy of the ruling Conservative Party, was reported as saying, ''Eventually the sheer logic of the killing figures, together with public opinion, will have an impact.''

Monday's vote stems from a speech by David Waddington, the pro- hanging home secretary under Margaret Thatcher when she was prime minister. He received a standing ovation at the Conservative Party conference in October when he told

delegates they knew where he stood on hanging and promised an early parliamentary vote.

In the vote, Thatcher came out in favor of the motion to reintroduce the death penalty for the murder of a police officer, but against the main motion.

The new home secretary, Kenneth Baker, to whom a condemned person's last appeal for clemency would be directed, said in Monday's debate that the return of capital punishment would rule out redress if there were a miscarriage of justice.

''There is no appeal from the grave,'' he warned Parliament.

The London-based human rights group Amnesty International considers capital punishment a form of torture.

''You wouldn't have a debate on the reintroduction of thumbscrews,'' said Eric Prokosch, coordinator of Amnesty's campaign for the worldwide abolition of capital punishment.

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BERLIN (DEC. 18) UPI - Production continued to decline in most industrial sectors of former East Germany, the federal economics ministry said in a report released Tuesday.

Total industrial production in the five new German states increased by one percent in October compared with September, the report said - a slight improvement caused by seasonal factors. In July, total industrial production plunged 35 percent. In August, it fell 14.5 percent, the report said.

The energy sector - one of the few sectors showing significant improvement - grew 9.5 percent in October compared with 16.5 percent in September, pushed up by the buildup of eastern Germany's domestic brown coal reserves.

Industrial output in the food sector grew 21 percent in October compared with September, but production decline continued in many of eastern Germany's traditional industrial sectors.

The ministry said the figures were based on month-by-month comparisons of the number of days worked by the eastern German labor force. Seasonally adjusted figures are not available for eastern Germany because of the unreliability of production figures reported under the former Communist government. Demand for western German goods was the main reason for the decline of eastern Germany's industrial production, the report said.

Since the monetary and economic union of both Germanys on July 1, industry in

eastern Germany has suffered as consumers rejected outdated, shoddy state-produced goods for better-made western goods. East and West Germany were unified Oct. 3.

In comparison with 1989 figures - thought to have been inflated by the former communist government - eastern German industrial production has declined by about 50 percent, the economics ministry said.

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CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (DEC. 18) UPI - Byron De La Beckwith, the white supremacist twice tried but never convicted in the 1963 assassination of civil rights leader Medgar Evers, was jailed Tuesday awaiting extradition back to Mississippi.

Beckwith, 70, was arrested at his home in Signal Mountain, a Chattanooga suburb, Monday as a fugitive from Mississippi and held until an extradition hearing later Tuesday, Hamilton County sheriff's jailer Duane Hill said.

''All we've got on him is that he's a fugitive from Hinds County, Mississippi '' Hill said.

Television stations in Jackson, Miss., reported Monday Beckwith had been indicted again in Evers's death. Hinds County District Attorney Ed Peters refused comment on Beckwith's arrest.

Evers, 37, field secretary for the Mississippi branch of the NAACP, was shot in the back with a high-powered rifle as he stood in the carport of his Jackson, Miss., home on June 12, 1963.

Beckwith, a Delta fertilizer salesman at the time, was tried twice in 1964 by all-white juries. Both juries deadlocked, causing mistrials, even though Beckwith's fingerprints were found on the murder weapon. The murder charge was dismissed in 1969.

Prosecutors reopened the case this year after The Clarion-Ledger newspaper in Jackson reported that state officials screened potential jurors before one of Beckwith's trials and provided information to Beckwith's lawyers. A grand jury in Hinds County heard testimony in the case last week.

Beckwith has maintained his innocence in Evers' murder but acknowledges his philosophy of white supremacy.

''There are only three kinds of people that live in Mississippi - whites, colored and trash, and there's very little trash in Mississippi, '' Beckwith told The Clarion-Ledger in an interview from his home published Sunday.

''I'm not willing to lay down my life to rid evil from this country. I'm willing to kill the evil in this country that would try to push me out,'' he said.

Beckwith was released from the Veterans Administration hospital in Nashville Friday after undergoing surgery for a clot in an artery and he told the newspaper he is concerned about his deteriorating health.

''I don't feel good,'' he said. ''I don't see good. I'm getting a cataract in my right eye and that's my shooting eye.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Tuesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 69.50-71.25 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 116.625-118.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 34.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 40.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $185.00-$195.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $414.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $416.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $104.00-$108.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 274.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported

duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Moldavia's deputies walked out of the fourth Congress of People's Deputies in Moscow today, becoming the sixth Soviet republic that will not take part in the entire 10-day meeting. Mikhail Gorbachev's plans for the 15 republics to sign a new union treaty suffered a setback today when officials from the breakaway Baltic republics and other leaders rejected his proposal for a national referendum on the future of the Soviet Union.

Two prisoners are holding a guard hostage at the Federal Metropolitan Correction Center in San Diego this morning. A prison spokesman says a second guard was able to escape from the high-security area. He was injured and was taken to a hospital. Officials say the hostage taken last night has NOT been harmed. They did NOT reveal whether the inmates had made any demands.

Pope John Paul today called on world leaders and governments to ensure what he called ''authentic freedom of conscience'' and to protect the rights of minorities as a means of promoting world peace. The pope issued his appeal in his annual message for World Peace Day, which the Catholic Church celebrates on January 1st. The message was sent to all heads of state throughout the world.

In Taiwan today, opposition lawmakers punched police and flipped over furniture in a scuffle that broke out on the floor of parliament. There were NO serious injuries. The disturbance was to protest a 10-year prison sentence given to their former presidential candidate, who was convicted this month for plotting Taiwan independence.

The Philippine government is trying to verify a report of the discovery of substantial deposits by the late dictator Ferdinand Marcos in a Swiss bank. David Castro, chairman of the Presidential Commission on Good Government, told reporters that a German, whom he did not name, provided the information in a sworn statement. He said the deposits were in the ''BILLIONS of dollars.''

Reports from Indonesia say that authorities have detained five suspects in the killing of rare Sumatran double-horned rhinoceros in a national park. The South Sumatran police chief said yesterday that five more people, believed to be involved in the recent killings of at least 10 rhinos in the Sumatran jungle, were detained. Officials estimate that only about 100 Sumatran rhinos are left on the islands.

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DALLAS (DEC. 18) UPI - More than 71 dogs, cats and other pets have died in U.S. airline cargo holds this year, mostly because of heat stroke or suffocation, the Dallas Times Herald reported Tuesday.

Most of the deaths came from heat stroke and suffocation. Other animals died or were injured in accidents that have included pets being released on runways or being burned or crushed on airport conveyor belts, the newspaper said.

''Nothing is born to die in a cargo bin,'' said Priscilla Benkin, an air transportation specialist with the American Dog Owners Association. ''This is the worst year in history.''

American, Delta and United airlines are each under investigation for incidents this summer that killed 61 dogs, according to the Department of Agriculture, which enforces federal animal welfare laws.

Almost every major airline licensed to transport animals has been cited and fined repeatedly by the Agriculture Department for mishandling them, the Times Herald said.

Although only a small percentage of shipped animals die, federal animal welfare officials have been meeting with air carriers to try to solve the problems.

''When it boils down to somebody's pet, it's not an insignificant number,'' said Richard Crawford, animal care director with the Agriculture Department in Hyattsville, Md.

Last month USDA officials addressed animal travel problems with members of the Air Transport Association, a trade group that represents the major air carriers. No specific recommendations came out of the meeting.

''We know there have been several deaths and we regret the loss of life,'' said Sam Elkind, air cargo manager of the Air Transport Association. ''But we also feel confident that the number of animals transported is very large and a great number of them move without any problems.''

One of the cases cited by the Times herald was the death of four police-trained German shepherds. After a 40-minute delay at Dallas-Fort Worth Internnational Airport in 93-degree September heat, the dogs arrived dead in Austin, according to airport records. The dogs' body temperatures were still at 115 degrees three hours after they died, their owner said. Normal temperature for a dog is 101.5 degrees.

Two other dogs survived the American Airlines flight.

Lise Olson, a spokeswoman for the Fort Worth-based airline, said officials had no comment on the German shepherd deaths because of a pending USDA investigation.

Like most air carriers, Olson said American stresses animal care in training videotapes and has guidelines that bar transporting pets in extreme temperatures.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Usual				
Baldwin Tech cl-A	Q	.03	1-14	12-31
Circuit City Strs	Q	.02 1/2	1-15	12-28
Colonial Cos cl-B	Q	.16	2-1	1-11
Elcor Corp	Q	.05 1/2	2-14	1-4
Mobile Gas Service	Q	.21	1-1	12-19
Sunwest Fincl Svcs	Q	.12	1-2	12-19
Ziegler Co	Q	.13	1-18	1-4

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-annual

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BASTROP, Texas (DEC. 18) UPI - The lawyer for a third-grader who spends his school days in isolation for refusing to cut his skimpy ponytail said Tuesday he hopes an appeals court will strike down the dress code as early as January.

Attorneys for the Bastrop County school board asked a state judge Tuesday to dismiss a lawsuit filed by the mother of Zachariah Toungate, 8.

Charles Beall, the lawyer for the Toungates, described Tuesday's hearing as ''strictly procedural'' and said it would not affect his appeal to the 3rd State Court of Appeals in Austin.

''I believe they (appeals court) will look at it pretty quickly,'' said Beall.

Bastrop County State District Judge Harold Townslee on Nov. 9 upheld the school district's dress code, saying courts cannot interfere with local decisions.

School board lawyers have sought to thwart the Toungates' lawsuit on the grounds that the child's mother, September Toungate, has no standing to file

suit and that the complaint was improperly drawn.

Regardless of the judge's ruling Tuesday, Beall said he will take the case to the appeals court.

The plight of the child began in late September when he was sent home for having a 7-inch ponytail, a style that was allowed under last year's dress code.

On Oct. 5, Zach was required to start doing his school work at Mina Elementary School in a 12-by-15-foot windowless room - an arrangement called ''an alternative education setting'' by school officials.

Zach eats by himself and, for $35 a day, the school calls in substitute teachers for him. He has no physical education, music or choir classes.

Although the arrangement is ''wearing'' on the boy, Beall said ''he's hanging in there'' largely because of the ''tremendous outpouring of support from all over the world.''

Beall said Zach recently received a card from eight Marines assigned to Operation Desert Shield in Saudi Arabia.

''They said, 'We can't believe we're over here fighting for freedom and democracy and they're doing that to people back in our country,''' Beall said.

Since the boy's story was told in November, Zach has been on CBS News, CNN, television talk shows, in Time magazine, People magazine and on dozens of radio shows from Texas to Canada.

But school officials in the town of 4,800 about 25 miles east of Austin say the media attention will not force them to change the dress code in the middle of a school year.

''This is not a major issue,'' said Ray Long, school board vice president. ''It's hair he can grow back. It's no big deal.''

School officials also said Zach's grades are better because he is receiving one-on-one instruction and is not easily distracted.

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BOSTON (DEC. 18) UPI - A ''very rare'' red-backed squirrel monkey, one of only three members of the endangered species known on this continent, left Boston Tuesday for its new home at the Phoenix Zoo, officials said.

The young male weighs about 2 pounds and is believed to be less than 6 months

old, according to officials with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Authorities with the federal agency seized the animal on Oct. 15 from the Boston home where it had been kept illegally as a pet.

An anonymous tip alerted authorities to the squirrel monkey's presence. The federal agency and the Massachusetts Environmental Police are still investigating the circumstances surrounding the animal's captivity.

Squirrel monkeys, as their name implies, have a furry red back and tail and a black crown. The exotic-looking primates are usually obtained as infants by poachers who shoot the mother monkeys, officials said.

''Discovery of this very rare monkey is both sad and heartening,'' said Ronald Lambertson, northeast regional director of the Fish and Wildlife Service. ''It is sad because it was taken from the wild, where so few remain today, and sadder still that it must remain in captivity. But it is heartening to know that it will help its population through captive breeding.''

The squirrel monkey had been cared for by the New England Regional Primate Research Center of Harvard Medical School since its confiscation. At its new home at the Arizona zoo, it will be joined by the two other members of its species known to be in captivity in North America, which are being transfered from the Santa Ana Zoo in California.

The three monkeys will take part in the first captive breeding program for the dwindling species, Lambertson said.

The squirrel monkey population has been decimated by human exploitation and deforestation of its natural habitat in Costa Rica and Panama, Lambertson said. Only 2,000 squirrel monkeys are believed left in Costa Rica, he said.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Consumer inflation continued to expand last month but at only one- half the rate it grew in October. The same factor is responsible in both cases. The easing of oil prices helped keep retail inflation at three- tenths of one percent in November. It was the increase of oil prices that pushed retail inflation up by six-tenths of one percent in October. Still, the lower November increase means inflation for the first 11 months of the year is running at an annual rate of six-point-four percent. That's well ahead of last year's four-point-six percent.

The Bush administration has come up with an alternative plan to preserve minority scholarship programs at the nation's universities and colleges. That's the word from White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater. Assistant Education Secretary Michael Williams plans a news conference today to discuss the program. It was Williams who made the surprise announcement last week that

scholarship programs designed solely for minority students are in themselves discriminatory. That set off a firestorm of protest that the administration is still trying to put out.

A standoff continues this morning at the Federal Metropolitan Correction Center in San Diego. Inside... two inmates are holding one guard hostage... and are negotiating with the F-B-I and federal bureau of prisons. Right now... all that's being revealed is that the guard has NOT been harmed. Any prisoner demands are NOT being made public. A second guard escaped... but was injured in the process. He's now been released from the hospital.

Cairo Radio today says Algerian President Chadli Benjedid has rejected outright the attempt by Saddam Hussein to link Iraq's occupation of Kuwait to the highly-emotional Palestinian issue. Benjedid met yesterday with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in Cairo and called Saddam's argument- ''UNrealistic.'' The Algerian leader spoke at the end of a diplomatic swing through the Middle East that included two meetings with Saddam.

A setback for Soviet President Gorbachev today at the fourth Congress of People's Deputies in Moscow. Deputies from the republic Moldavia walked out of the 10-day meeting. Gorbachev wants the 15 Soviet republics to sign a new union treaty. Moldavia's deputy prime minister complained that the Congress ignored two requests by the Moldavian envoys to discuss the internal ethnic problems tearing their republic apart.

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BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (DEC. 18) UPI - A breakdown in world trade talks would have ''very dangerous implications'' for the entire world trading system, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said Tuesday.

The Uruguay Round of trade talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs in Trade collapsed Dec. 7 in Brussels over a bitter dispute on agriculture subsidies between the United States and the European Community.

''Successful completion of the Uruguay Round will be important if we are to achieve a stronger trans-Atlantic partnership in the years ahead, '' Baker said at the end of a meeting of NATO foreign ministers.

''We are deeply, deeply disappointed with the breakdown of the talks earlier this month here in Brussels,'' Baker told a news conference.

''There are potentially very dangerous implications here - for Europe, for America, indeed for the rest of the world - that could lead to a breakdown of the world trading system,'' he said.

The GATT talks will resume next month in Geneva only if there are reasons to

expect progress, which will require a softening of positions.

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LONDON (DEC. 18) UPI - In its first comprehensive report on human rights in Kuwait since the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion, Amnesty International Wednesday called on Iraq to end the imprisonment, torture and killing of people in the occupied Persian Gulf state.

The London-based human rights organization accused Iraqi forces of torturing and killing hundreds of people, imprisoning thousands, and allowing ''more than 300 premature babies to die after looting incubators'' in three main Kuwait City hospitals.

''The Iraqi forces' brutality in Kuwait has shocked many people in the past four months,'' said an Amnesty statement accompanying the report, ''but such abuses have been the norm for people in Iraq for more than a decade.''

A spokesman at the Iraqi Embassy in London was not available for comment on the report.

Amnesty said it documented 38 methods of torture used by the Iraqi military that included electric shocks, rape, shooting limbs, and cutting off ears or tongues. The human rights group, which takes no political position on the Iraqi invasion, said its 82-page report was based on medical evidence and in-depth interviews with more than 100 people from a dozen countries.

Amnesty said most of the alleged abuses had occurred during the first three months after the invasion when dissent among Kuwaitis and others was widespread.

Amnesty said it had compiled ''compelling evidence'' supporting earlier reports that premature babies were killed by Iraqi soldiers. Several doctors and nurses who worked in hospitals where the babies died were interviewed by Amnesty. They said they had seen bodies, and one doctor said he had helped bury 72 infants in a cemetery near a hospital.

Amnesty also charged that ''hundreds of people in Kuwait remain unaccounted for, having effectively 'disappeared' in detentions, and many of them are feared dead.''

The organization said people were killed for resisting the ''Iraqization'' of their country by carrying Kuwaiti money or refusing to pledge allegiance to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

''Time and time again, we were told that the most common way soldiers killed people was to take the victim to his family's doorstep, have his relatives

identify him, and then shoot him in the back of the head,'' Amnesty said.

Amnesty called on nations to appeal to Iraq to stop the ''gross human rights violations.''

The human rights group said it had submitted its report to all the members of the U.N. Security Council.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 18) UPI - Former New York Mayor Ed Koch was slightly injured by a stone Tuesday while he strolled through the walled Old City with Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek.

Koch quipped that the stone, which bounced off a tin awning in the Old City's Arab marketplace, was aimed at Jerusalem's veteran mayor. Kollek jokingly told Koch if he had more hair on his head he would not have felt the 2-inch stone.

The stone slightly injured Koch on the head. But the former mayor of New York refused to lodge a complaint or receive treatment immediately, except for two Band-Aids on the bleeding wound, police and city officials said. A doctor later examined Koch, who visited the Western Wall and ate lunch with Kollek after the incident, a spokeswoman for Kollek said.

The stone flew in the early afternoon as Koch, Kollek and a small entourage strolled along David Street, the main path through the Old City's Arab marketplace. The streets were deserted except for the entourage and camera crews because Palestinian shopkeepers were observing a general strike.

No police escort accompanied the tour, which the city spokeswoman described as spontaneous.

''The visit in the Old City was one of the most fascinating visits in my life '' Koch told Israel Radio after the incident.

Koch said he wondered what a ''stupid zealot'' was proving by harming an innocent passer-by. He said he hoped such incidents would not deter people from walking through the Old City.

A day before he was stoned in Jerusalem, Koch said that if he were an Israeli leader he would institute harsher measures against Palestinians from the occupied territories in reaction to intercommunal violence. He also criticized the Bush administration's efforts to strengthen ties with Arab countries, which he said were at the expense of Israel.

Reacting to recent attacks by Arabs against Jews inside Israel, the Jewish ex-mayor of New York said in Tel Aviv, Israel ''must build a wall around the

Gaza Strip and not allow Arabs into Israel.''

''If I were prime minister of Israel, I would give all the jobs to the Soviet immigrants. The Saudis and the Egyptians can support the Arabs in the territories,'' the respected Ha'aretz newspaper quoted Koch as saying.

''I would deport them from here. You didn't do it enough,'' Koch said. ''But since you have not done so, at least you should close them behind a wall of stones and make sure they have employment there.''

Commenting on recent U.S. policy in the Middle East, Koch said Monday that President Bush is not as a great a friend to Israel as Ronald Reagan was because the current U.S. president believes ''friendship with Arab states is more important and better for the United States.''

Koch arrived in Israel Sunday to attend a municipal ceremony in Tel Aviv in which a street was named after him.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Tuesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - higher.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 96-98; large 93- 96 and mediums 82-85.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Art sales plummeted for Christie's during 1990, prompting plans to cut ten percent from costs of maintaining its worldwide staff, the auction house said Tuesday. Impressionist and contemporary art sales were hardest hit after providing 48 percent of the auctioneer's record sales in 1989, the announcement said.

A stormy world economy, along with the crisis in the Persian Gulf were blamed for an 8.5 percent drop in total sales, to $1.96 billion from last year's record $2.14 billion, Christie's said.

"While medium- to long-term prospects for auction markets are encouraging, the reality today is that the United Kingdom, Japan, and the United States are in the grip of economic uncertainty which has been intensified by the situation in the Gulf," said Christie's Chairman Lord Carrington.

"We have, therefore, decided to take prompt action to reduce our cost base significantly enough to weather the current climate, but in a way which will not erode our ability to take full advantage of the next upturn in the market " he said.

Those efforts would include ten percent cuts in total staff costs with salary freezes for most senior level personnel in addition to cuts in other fixed operating costs, Christie's said.

Lower level staffing would be reviewed "according to established practice and with due consideration to the cost of living and their contribution to the company," the announcement said.

Christie's said it expects long-term market growth in Europe and the Far East, and has added offices or agents in Berlin and Frankfurt, Germany; Bordeaux and Lyon, France; Athens, Greece, and Taipei.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange said Tuesday a membership seat on the exchange sold for $295,000, up $45,000 from the last sale on November 27.

A spokeswoman for the exchange said the current bid for an exchange seat is $275,000, while the offering price is $340,000.

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (DEC. 18) UPI - The 12-nation European Community decided Tuesday against meeting with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz until he has seen President Bush in Washington, officials said.

The EC foreign ministers earlier this month agreed to a meeting in Rome between Aziz and Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis, assuming that Aziz had first visited Washington. Italy holds the rotating EC presidency.

A tentative Aziz meeting with Bush had been set for Monday, but never came about because the United States and Iraq are deadlocked over dates for a visit to Baghdad by U.S. Secretary of State James Baker.

''The position of the community remains as it was,'' Irish Foreign Minister Gerard Collins said after a meeting of EC foreign ministers Tuesday. ''The meeting with Tariq Aziz would happen only on his way back from Washington.''

Italy and Spain suggested an Aziz-EC meeting could move ahead provided a date

had been set for a later Bush-Aziz meeting in Washington. But countries such as Britain and Holland objected to changing the EC's original ground rules for the Rome session, officials said.

Jacques Delors, president of the EC executive commission, said the community sought to ''maintain the pressure against Iraq.''

Baker had said earlier Tuesday a meeting between Iraq's foreign minister and the European Community would be fine with him, providing no ''mixed messages'' were sent.

''The one thing we do discourage are discordant messages, mixed messages or mixed signals,'' he said. ''The message that's going to go to the Iraqis must be a uniform message, which is that they must comply with the United Nations resolutions in full.''

Meanwhile, Baker, warning Iraq may try more ''diplomatic sleights-of- hand,'' reiterated that only a complete Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait can defuse the Persian Gulf crisis.

He said a partial Iraqi withdrawal would be unacceptable, drawing an analogy to Europe's appeasement of Adolf Hitler's expansionism.

''It would set an extremely unfortunate precedent,'' he said, ''if we in any way rewarded aggression. We made that mistake in the '30s and we ought not to make it in the '90s.''

Baker said the coalition lined up against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein must be prepared for surprises.

''All the allies are agreed that Saddam Hussein may well attempt further diplomatic sleights-of-hand in the days ahead,'' he said. ''We are all agreed that we must not allow his manipulations to divert us from full and complete implementation of the Security Council resolutions.''

Resolution 678 of the U.N. Security Council authorizes the use of force if Iraq has not fully withdrawn from Kuwait by Jan. 15.

On Monday, Baker told the NATO meeting that Iraq may take the ''dramatic step'' of a partial withdrawal on or about Jan. 15, and urged the allies to reject it as a ''ploy.''

In a statement later that day, the NATO foreign ministers said ''there can be no partial solutions'' to the gulf crisis.

Baker said he was pleased the foreign ministers had recognized ''that the security of members of the alliance is threatened by the continued Iraqi refusal to comply with its international obligations,'' thus ''confirming that

this threat concerns all of the alliance.''

If the EC and Iraq do meet, Baker said, EC officials ''will not be carrying a message from the United States, will not be mediating.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - Scientists told Congress Tuesday the nation's stockpile of nuclear weapons should be rebuilt with the latest safety devices and warned the danger of an accidental explosion is greater than once thought.

The sobering look at the nation's stockpile of weapons amassed during the Cold War was accompanied also by the suggestion that the government consider changing the design of the newest submarine-launched missile and rebuild the entire supply of an air-launched nuclear missile that already has been taken off alert bombers parked at airstrips.

Although the unclassified portion of the report presented to the House Armed Services Committee did not quantify the issue, it said that new super computers have led to advances in models of how an accidental explosion would affect a warhead and its plutonium core.

''A major consequence of these results (computer models) is a realization that unintended nuclear detonations present a greater risk than previously estimated and believed for some of the warheads in the stockpile,'' said the report. It did not identify which warheads were involved.

The report was made for the panel by Dr. Sidney Drell, deputy director of the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center, Nobel laureate Dr. Charles Townes of the University of California at Berkeley and Dr. John Foster, head of the Defense Science Board.

At the Pentagon, spokesman Pete Williams said the department welcomed the report and added, ''We consider the safety of nuclear weapons to be a matter of the utmost importance. We give it the highest priority. ... The goals of the Drell report are consistent with both departments' established priorities for safety. The specific recommendations will require careful joint evaluation by the Department of Energy and the Department of Defense.''

Williams said Defense Secretary Dick Cheney has asked his deputy, Donald Atwood, to study the report and suggest ways to implement its findings.

The report was prompted by a decision earlier in the year by Cheney to pull the Short Range Attack Missile - known as the SRAM-A - from planes kept on alert at air bases. It is equipped with the W-69 warhead.

Some warheads, like the W-69 and the W-88 aboard the Trident II missile, are built with high explosives or HE rather than the more stable insensitive high explosives, or IHE.

Pound for pound, it takes more IHE than HE to trigger a nuclear blast, meaning that missile payload or range suffers if IHE is used in place of HE. In the case of the Trident missile, concerns are raised because the warheads sit adjacent to the third-stage rocket motor and some fear the accidental ignition of the propellant might be sufficient to trigger the HE to explode, either scattering dangerous plutonium about or even causing a blast with nuclear-level yields.

The Drell panel had high praise for the attention to safety and security exhibited by personnel who handle nuclear weapons.

The panel's report also said 48 percent of the stockpile of weapons do not have what are known as enhanced nuclear detonation safety devices, or ENDS, and just 25 percent are built with IHE. Additionally, it said too few of the plutonium cores are wrapped in what is known as a fire-resistant pit, or FRP, which can withstand hours of sitting in the 1,000-degree heat of an aircraft fuel fire.

''The majority of the weapons in the current stockpile will have to be modified to meet (demanding safety standards), unless they are retired,'' said the report.

Specifically, among its recommendations were suggestions to:

-Equip all weapons with ENDS.

-Build all bombs to be carried on aircraft, both bombs and cruise missiles, with IHE and with the fire-resistant pits.

-Consider whether the design of the Trident missile warhead should be changed to one using IHE, which would involve range or payload tradeoffs.

-Have ''red teams'' critique the safety features developed by weapons designers to ensure than only the safest design is produced.

-Consider returning to the safety feature of the 1940s and 1950s when the plutonium core of a weapon was inserted by hand or electro- mechanically into the warhead on aircraft only after an order was received, solving the problem of an accidental detonation of the high explosives scattering plutonium about.

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ANKARA, TURKEY (DEC. 18) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein told Turkish state television that there was no need for Iraq to send a representative to Washington for peace talks ''if (President) Bush is to repeat to us the U.N. Security Council resolutions.''

In an interview on Turkey's state television TRT taped in Baghdad, the Iraqi president appeared to indicate he had abandoned the idea of direct talks with the United States aimed at finding a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Excerpts of Saddam's interviews, scheduled for broadcast at 10 p.m., were released to the Turkish press in advance.

The Iraqi president said: ''There is no need for us to go to Washington if Bush is to repeat to us the U.N. Security Council resolutions.''

He was referring to a visit to Washington by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz that had been scheduled for Monday but put on hold because of a deadlock over proposed talks between U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Saddam.

Saddam insisted the reciprocal visit to Baghdad by Baker would take place Jan. 12.

The United States said that date was too close to the Jan. 15 deadline set by the U.N. Security Council for Iraq to pull its troops out of Kuwait or face possible military force. Washington proposed other dates that Baghdad rejected.

Security Council resolutions have called for Iraq's unconditonal withdrawal from Kuwait and imposed an economic blockade against the nation.

On Iraq-Turkey relations, Saddam called for concessions on both sides to enable them to resume the good neighborly relations that existed before the gulf crisis erupted Aug. 2 with the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - A group of the nation's rich and powerful traveled to one of Washington's most economically diverse neighborhoods Tuesday to launch a new initiative to aid the homeless by linking innovative housing to an array of social services.

The group - Housing and Urban Development Secretary Jack Kemp, David Maxwell, chief executive officer of the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae), and developer James Rouse - unveiled the Corporate Housing Initiatives project, which will, for the first time, use the low-income housing tax credit to provide housing for the homeless.

To dramatize the new initiative, the group chose the conference center of Washington, D.C.'s, Jubilee Ministries, located in the heart of the city's Adams-Morgan neighborhood, a mosaic of street people, illegal aliens and the poor who coexist - not always peacefully - with yuppies living in $300,000 town houses.

Maxwell told a news conference that Fannie Mae was kicking off the new project with a $10 million investment and will lead ''a national effort to bring many more corporate investors to the fund.''

''The federal low-income housing tax credit remains an important tool for the development of badly needed rental housing units for the nation's poor,'' Maxwell said.

''Our $10 million investment in the Corporate Housing Initiative fund indicates the depth of our support for expanding the use of the low- income housing tax credit to meet the needs of the homeless,'' he said.

The new program comes on the heels of a new report by the National Coalition for the Homeless that estimates a shortage of 4.2 million units of affordable housing for the poor and on the eve of the U.S. Conferernce of Mayors' annual report on housing and homelessness in the nation's cities.

The new initiative will be directed by The Enterprise Social Investment Corporation, a for-profit organization that is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Enterprise Foundation. The Foundation also announced formation of Enterprise Housing Plus, the key element in the new project because it will work to provide the array of social services such as child care, counseling, job training and substance abuse treatment.

''Housing production must be augmented with appropriate social services if homeless and other special needs populations are going to live more independently and productively,'' said Rouse, founder of the Enterprise Foundation.

Under the program, non-profit housing groups seeking to provide shelter and other services for the homeless and ''special needs'' populations such as the mentally retarded, will apply to the foundation for funds.

Most of the support service funding will come from local and state programs already in existence as well as $400 million in federal money authorized by the recently signed comprehensive housing bill.

F. Barton Harvey, deputy chairman of the Enterprise Foundation said the first projects to win funding approval could be announced as early as January.

For corporate investors, the new initiative will provide companies with an

''attractive economic return'' on their investment because of tax savings offerred by the low-income housing tax credit as well the opportunity to be ''a significant participant in the national effort to solve America's housing crisis.''

Kemp is a longtime supporter of such private initiatives and early in his tenure as HUD secretary had visited the 17-year-old Jubilee Ministries, one of the most successful non-profit efforts at aiding the poor in the nation.

He said the new initiative is a challenge to the corporate, for- profit sector that was ''wondering what to do.''

The new initiative, he said, breaks with past efforts because ''it won't be empowering the developer as much as empowering the poor.''

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MOSCOW (DEC. 18) UPI - The Soviet Red Cross turned down an offer by an Iraqi group to donate 500 tons of dates as part of the international relief effort to help ease food shortages in the Soviet Union, an official said Tuesday.

Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Vitaly Churkin said the offer from Iraq was declined ''because they are suffering from their own food problems'' under a U.N.-backed embargo of the gulf country.

The Soviet Union supports the international embargo of Iraq imposed after it invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 and has stopped shipping weapons and other materials to Baghdad as well as halting the purchase of oil and other products.

The Iraqi Red Crescent society offered to send the Soviet Union 500 tons of dates to help ease food shortages that prompted an international relief effort involving billions of dollars in aid.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - Children with high levels of cholesterol may not be destined to grow into adults with worrisome levels of the artery- clogging substance, researchers reported Tuesday.

A study of 2,367 Iowa school children found about three-quarters of the girls and about half of the boys who had high blood cholesterol levels between ages 8 and 18 had normal cholesterol counts as young adults.

''Many children with high cholesterol levels do not become adults with high cholesterol levels,'' the University of Iowa's Dr. Ronald Lauer and William Clarke wrote in an issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association

devoted to cholesterol.

Even among youngsters with the highest cholesterol counts, in the upper 10 percent of children surveyed, nearly two-thirds of the girls and one-third of the boys did not warrant cholesterol-lowering treatment when they reached the ages of 20 to 30.

Researchers do not know why people with high cholesterol as youngsters may turn out to have acceptable levels as adults. But Lauer said the difference may be related to growth or to changes in American eating patterns between 1971, when the study started, and 1985, when the latest tests were done.

Lauer emphasized his findings do not mean that children should feel free to chow down on food rich in cholesterol and saturated fat.

''There is a need to lower cholesterol among all U.S. children through nutritional habits,'' he said, noting the cholesterol level of the average American is substantially higher than for people in nations with lower rates of heart disease.

Cholesterol plays a role in heart disease by accumulating in deposits that can gradually ''harden'' arteries, making it more difficult for blood to pass through. When blood supply to part of the heart is cut off, a heart attack occurs.

More than a decade ago, the American Heart Association recommended children limit their fat intake to no more than 30 percent of calories. However, critics have argued there is no evidence that lowering blood cholesterol levels in children reduces their risk of heart disease when they grow up.

The Iowa results are ''grist for the mill on the issue of whether all children ought to be screened'' for cholesterol, said Dr. Henry McGill, scientific director of the Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research in San Antonio.

However, McGill pointed out that the study found half the boys with elevated cholesterol had high cholesterol as young adults. ''Are you just not going to worry about that half?,'' he asked, adding that both sides of the screening controversy probably will use the Iowa study to bolster their stance.

In another study, McGill and his colleagues found high blood cholesterol was linked to early signs of hardening of the arteries, called atherosclerosis, in males ages 15 to 34.

Dr. Basil Rifkind of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute and Dr. Lawrence Grouse of Medical Communication Resources Inc. of Santa Monica, Calif., agreed there is ''little doubt that atherosclerosis has its origins in childhood or early adult life.''

However, the question remains about whether cholesterol lowering should be a goal in childhood and if so, how it should be accomplished, Rifkind and Grouse said in an editorial.

The problem of elevated cholesterol in children is probably best handled by curtailing the amount of saturated fat and cholesterol in the diets of all people over age 2, the doctors said.

Dr. Thomas Newman of the University of California-San Francisco and his colleagues argued strongly against widescale cholesterol screening among children.

''It seems unlikely that cholesterol reduction in childhood will be much more effective at preventing coronary heart disease than cholesterol reduction begun in middle age,'' they wrote in a review article.

''Screening and interventions to lower blood cholesterol levels for millions of children would be expensive, could lead to labeling and family conflicts, and may cause malnutrition and increased non- cardiovascular mortality,'' they warned.

Also in the journal, other UCSF researchers presented what they say is the first evidence that cholesterol-lowering drugs can reverse atherosclerosis in women as well as men. And other studies showed niacin and lovastatin appear to be the most cost-effective drugs for reducing cholesterol, and that the benefits of such drugs can be sustained for at least four years.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 18) UPI - Washington state's largest labor organization has called for a nationwide boycott of toys made in China, charging that many Chinese-made goods may have been made from the forced labor of children and political prisoners.

The Washington State Labor Council, which represents about 525 labor groups and 250,000 union workers in the state, said it is calling on members to boycott China's biggest single export to the United States.

Americans purchased more than $1.7 billion worth of Chinese-made toys, sporting goods and games last year. About $268 million worth of those goods entered the United States through Washington ports.

Labor Council President Larry Kenney said some of the toys sold here may have been made by Chinese political prisoners and child laborers. "With the sweat of little children and tortured political prisoners, Tibetans seeking restoration of their nation, and Catholic priests seeking religious freedom, China produces - very cheaply - cute little toys that Americans buy for their

children," Kenney said in announcing the boycott Monday.

"We don't think Americans will put up with this when they understand," he said. "We believe that they will refuse to buy toys made by children and prisoners when they learn that their purchases support exploitation."

Although there is no direct evidence that such toys are being sold in the United States, a Government Accounting Office report released in July noted that forced labor is an integral part of the Chinese economic system and is practiced throughout the country in an estimated 3,000 prison camps.

The GAO report noted that both government and private sources had circumstantial evidence that the products of forced labor have been exported by China and that such products might have reached the United States. The import of products made by forceed labor is restricted by U.S. law. Kenney said the boycott is aimed at the Chinese government, not at the nation's workers.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 18) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Tuesday.

Butter: (92 score A) 96 1/2-98 1/4; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 87-90; large 83-89; medium 73-79.

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BEIRUT, LEBANON (DEC. 18) UPI - Assassins packing pistols with silencers killed an official in the conservative Christian Phalange Party Tuesday, marking another setback to a government plan drafted to restore law and order in Beirut.

Police said four gunmen opened fire at Sami Abu Jawdeh, 54, at his jewelry shop in broad daylight in a crowded market place of the Christian area of Zalka.

The veteran leading figure of the Phalange Party and father of four children was hit in the head and chest, dying instantly as his assailants fled, police said.

Observers noted that the attack constituted a serious violation of the month-old government-sponsored plan aimed at re-establishing authority in and around the Lebanese capital.

President Elias Hrawi is trying to end 15 years of rule by militias fighting since 1975 for control of Beirut. The militias - composed of civilians and spawned by various factions representing differing politics and religious camps - have withdrawn from the war-torn city in the past month, replaced by Lebanese army troops.

There have nevertheless been recurring incidents of violence.

''The incident (Tuesday) and other similar security violations ... undermine the image of the legitimate authority and the peace process,'' said a communique by the Phalange Politburo.

The Phalange is a right-wing Christian Maronite party founded in 1936 by Pierre Gemayel, the father of Amin Gemayel. At one time, it contributed about 90 percent of the soldiers making up the Lebanese Forces, a Christian militia claiming between 10,000 and 12,000 fighters.

The party warned that ''it would take adequate action'' if the government fails to tighten its grip on Beirut.

''We urge the government to implement its security resolutions in unified Beirut before it would be too late,'' the party said.

Meanwhile, the Lebanese Ad Diyar newspaper reported that Algeria has agreed to provide weapons to the poorly-equipped Lebanese army in in a first gesture to boost the capacity of the force entrusted with imposing law and order in Beirut.

The newspaper quoted political sources as saying that Algeria will send weapons to Lebanon as a result of a meeting in Beirut over the weekend between Algerian President Chedli Benjedid and Hrawi.

Benjedid paid a short visit to Beirut Sunday marking the first such diplomatic gesture by a head of state toward the war-battered nation in more than seven years.

The Algerian president handed Hrawi a list of arms Algeria is offering - enough to equip 20,000 troops, or five brigades, that will be in charge of consolidating peace in and around Beirut, Ad Diyar said.

The sources told the newspaper the offer includes 300 personnel carriers, 120 tanks, 90 cannons, 400 military vehicles, ammunition and other equipment.

Libya has also pledged to supply the Lebanese army with arms, political

sources said.

The sources said the Libyan promise was made during talks with the Lebanese Defense Minister Albert Mansour, who returned home late Tuesday, wrapping up a three-day visit to Tripoli.

The Libyan weapons would be dispatched to Lebanon soon, the sources said.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 18) UPI - Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., one of seven senators on a fact-finding tour of the Middle East, said Tuesday a partial pullback of Iraqi troops from Kuwait might postpone any military action.

But Simon, interviewed by telephone from Jerusalem, also said the United States and its allies will not be satisfied with a partial pullback as a permanent solution.

The United Nations has given Iraq until Jan. 15 to pull its troops out of Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2. U.S and allied troops in Saudi Arabia and nearby naval forces are poised to enforce the U.N. deadline.

''We have pulled together a good, solid alliance,'' Simon said. ''If there is military action, you will lose some (support). But the feeling is we can't give Saddam Hussein any reward. A pullback is not going to be enough to pull off the sanctions. It might, however, postpone military action.''

Simon said he and his colleagues have met with King Fahd of Saudi Arabia, President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir of Israel. He said all have expressed solid support for the course the United States has followed thus far.

Whether the situation can be resolved swiftly, however, is uncertain, Simon said.

''It is an up and down situation,'' Simon said. ''We get some encouragement one day and the next day we are discouraged.

''I don't favor the Bush administration giving in if you mean backing off on our demands,'' he said. ''The president did the right thing by offering Secretary of State James Baker to meet with Saddam Hussein. If he fails to have such a meeting, he's (Saddam) boxing himself into a corner, making violent action much more likely.''

Simon said that although U.S. troop morale appears ''generally pretty good,'' some kind of troop rotation will have to be initiated unless there is military action.

''Troops need to know there will be rotation,'' he said. ''There will be a few specialties where you can't have rotation. They ought to get an increase in salary.''

Simon described the Saudi desert as ''not the kind of place I would go for a resort vacation.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf region will be ready for war Jan. 15 if Saddam Hussein does not withdraw his forces from Kuwait, a Pentagon spokesman said Tuesday.

Pete Williams, in words aimed at further strengthening the message to Iraq in hopes Saddam will understand allied resolve, said the troops would be ready to enforce the U.N. resolution authorizing the use of force to expel Iraq from Kuwait.

But not all forces might be in place by Jan. 15, he said.

Asked if the U.S. forces and the allies would be prepared to enforce the resolution on Jan. 15, Williams said, ''The quick answer to your question is yes. Will every single person, every single serviceman and servicewoman, every single item from the units which we've called up be in place? I'm not certain about that. But the answer to your question is yes.''

He said the United States ''absolutely'' would be ready for offensive action on that day.

Williams also said that U.S. forces in the gulf region now total more than 270,000.

The U.S. troops are joined by about 220,000 allied forces, and the U. S. contingent is expected to grow to about 430,000 by mid-January or early February. Williams said the newest deployment, of about 200,000 troops, is not going slower than expected, although snows in Germany had slowed trains carrying equipment for Operation Desert Shield.

Iraqi forces in the region - Kuwait itself and southern Iraq - are now estimated at more than 510,000, up 10,000 from last week. Their supply of equipment remains unchanged at 4,000 tanks, 2,500 armored personnel carriers and infantry fighting vehicles and 2,700 artillery pieces. More than half the Iraqi forces are in Kuwait.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Colin Powell were due to leave Tuesday evening on a five-day trip to the region for

consultation with military and political leaders and visits with troops in the field.

Williams said Cheney likes to see first hand the results of decisions he has made and often sits down with enlisted personnel away from both civilian officials and their military commanders to ask what they need and how the deployment is going.

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NAIROBI, KENYA (DEC. 18) UPI - The vital northern Ethiopian port of Massawa will reopen for humanitarian food deliveries, the Rome-based United Nations World Food Program announced Tuesday.

The first chartered freighter with food aid for millions of victims of civil strife and drought might leave Djibouti for Massawa in early January, the WFP said.

Massawa was captured Feb. 10 in a snap offensive by the rebel Eritrean Peoples Liberation Front, fighting for independence of the former Italian colony for nearly 30 years.

The port has been closed since last winter and been bombarded by the Ethiopian air force.

Port facilities, however, are largely intact, witnesses report.

Its reopening is the result of months of arduous, separate negotiations by the WFP with the Ethiopian government and the EPLF.

Massawa is near the provinces of Eritrea, Tigray, and Wollo, where up to 4 million people are at risk of starvation.

Since March, food aid for 1 million people had to be shipped via the southerly port of Assab and then trucked north. During the past nine months, only 100,000 tons have been moved under the auspices of the three major Ethiopian churches.

The WFP estimates that Ethiopia will need 941,000 tons of food aid next year.

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ATHENS, GREECE (DEC. 18) UPI - Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani said Tuesday that Iran opposed a U.S. attack on Iraq, but that Baghdad would be responsible if war broke out in the region, Iran's news agency reported.

The Iranian president said: ''We feel very uneasy ... that the Iraqi people may be hurt by the Americans.'' But he said Iraq ''perpetrated an obscene act by invading Kuwait,'' and the only solution to the crisis would be an Iraqi withdrawal.

A dispatch from the official Islamic Republic News Agency monitored in Athens quoted Rafsanjani as saying the Islamic Republic was opposed to a U.S. attack on Iraq, but ''the responsibility for this rests with Iraq.''

Speaking to a group of students in the Iranian capital, the president said his Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati was making trips in the region ''aimed at preventing the outbreak of war.''

Velayati visited Ankara last week and said on his return that both Iran and Turkey were of the view that Iraq should be allowed to remain territorially intact if it suffered a military defeat in Kuwait.

Turkey has expressed fears that Iraq may disintegrate after a military defeat, with territories in its oil-rich northern regions falling into Iran-backed Kurdish rebel hands.

Velayati, who also visited Qatar, Oman, the United Arab Emirates, and Syria, arrived in Stockholm, Sweden, Tuesday. A scheduled visit to Moscow was postponed Saturday at the Kremlin's request.

Rafsanjani also indicated that the Iran-Iraq prisoner-of-war exchanges, which began in August shortly after Baghdad unconditionally met Iran's peace terms, have run into trouble once again.

The POW swap was interrupted in September when Iran refused to accept Iraqi figures for the number of POWs still in Iraqi hands.

The two sides resumed the exchanges after Velayati unexpectedly visited Baghdad last month, but were halted a second time after each side sent home POWs amnestied after convictions for crimes committed in captivity.

Rafsanjani said the exchanges would resume once the question of the remaining Iranian POWs and those missing in action was settled.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher says U-S exports and imports reached record highs. But private economist Hugh Johnson, of First Albany Bank in New York says today's October trade report ''suggests the economy is declining rather rapidly.'' The higher cost of oil pushed the nation's trade deficit to 11-point-six-BILLION dollars for October, two-point-three-BILLION dollars more than in September. One-BILLION dollars of it

came from imports of more costly oil. The value of goods shipped overseas was up two-point-eight-BILLION dollars over September to 34- point-eight-BILLION. But imports were up five-BILLION to 41-point-three- BILLION dollars.

An about-face on scholarships for minorities. A federal education official today outlined a new, six-point policy on minority scholarships. Now the Education Department will allow universities receiving federal funds to administer scholarships for minorities that are established and funded entirely by private donations. Assistant education secretary for civil rights Michael Williams says he was ''NOT ordered by anyone to overrule'' his previous stand that minority scholarships were ILlegal. He says the new policy was reached ''in a consultative process.''

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev says he will stand firm on the issue of a national referendum to decide the future of the Soviet Union... even though the idea is under attack. Gorbachev's comments were made today after delegates from the republic of Moldavia walked out of the Congress of People's Deputies meeting in a challenge to his position on the nation's future. Moldavia now joins five other republics- Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania Georgia and Armenia- in either a full or partial boycott of the congress.

11 protesters reached the Mount Vernon, Missouri, hospital unit today where Nancy Cruzan is being allowed to die... but were stopped before they could enter her room in an attempt to force-feed her. Cruzan is the woman whose parents last week won a court order allowing them to remove the feeding tube that has kept her alive in a permanent vegetative state for nearly eight years. The tube was removed from Cruzan during the weekend. Doctors say she will die within two weeks.

A judge in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, has handed down a 38-year prison term to 18-year-old John Burgess, the first of three youths sentenced in a highway rock-throwing incident last May. The three were caught hurling rocks weighing up to 15 pounds at cars traveling the Capitol Beltway near Washington. At least two dozen people were injured, including a 16- year-old girl left with the mental abilities of a nine-year-old after two main arteries to her brain were severed. Burgess, who is eligible for parole in 10 years, could have received a 110-year prison sentence.

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CONCORD, N.H. (DEC. 18) UPI - A group of New Hampshire peace activists Tuesday charged the state's leading television station with censorship for refusing to air a paid commercial opposing the U.S. military build- up in the Persian Gulf.

The 30-second commercial features Vietnam veteran Ron Kovic in a plea to stop a war in the Gulf before it breaks out.

Judy Corbit, of Goffstown, said she raised money through church groups to pay to air the commercial on WMUR-TV, channel 9, in Manchester. She said the station initially agreed to broadcast it, but then changed its mind.

''They took my check to get things started and I went home assuming it would be on,'' Corbit said. ''I was called three days before it was supposed to start running to say that someone else had looked at it and decided that it was unacceptable.''

In a letter, WMUR-TV operations manager Tom Bonnar said the commercial violated station policy.

''Our policy is that we do not accept issue-oriented advertising outside political election seasons,'' Bonnar wrote. ''Because the advertisement your organization submitted to WMUR is an issue-oriented commercial and we are currently not in an election season, I have rejected your commercial for airing on WMUR.''

Kurt Ehrenberg, of Operation Real Security, which is working to have the commercials aired on stations across the country, attacked WMUR for refusing to air issue advertising and being one-sided in its coverage of the military build-up in the Persian Gulf.

''The tone that they have set is one of rallying to war, rather than being balanced and showing the many people in the state who would favor a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf (crisis),'' Ehrenberg said. ''We tried to pay to get that point of view on Channel 9 and were refused. I think the people of New Hampshire have a right to know that Channel 9 is censoring the peace movement in New Hampshire.''

The commercial shows Kovic, whose life was chronicled in the book and movie ''Born on the 4th of July,'' sitting in a wheelchair.

''We have thousands of young men and women in in the Persian Gulf, not to defend democracy, but to protect the big oil companies. We don't want another Vietnam. How many more body bags and graveyards and monuments? How many more Americans coming home in wheelchairs, like me, will it take before we learn?'' Kovic says on the tape.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - When Robert Bennett is spotted on Capitol Hill, it is a safe bet that some politician is in serious trouble.

Bennett, a pit bull of a lawyer who has been assigned the job of defending the integrity of the U.S. Senate, spent a lot of time on Capitol Hill in 1990.

That signalled bad news for several senators during a 1990 bull market for ethics cases in both the Senate and House.

Unfortunately for the reputation of Congress, allegations of influence peddling and sexual and financial misconduct against members of both parties shared the spotlight with such pressing issues as deficit reduction, civil rights and the Persian Gulf crisis.

Bennett, a special counsel for the Senate ethics committee, presented the financial misconduct case against Sen. Dave Durenberger, R-Minn., who became the first member of the Senate to be disciplined by the body since 1979. Bennett also assembled the influence-peddling case against the so-called Keating Five senators - Alan Cranston, D-Calif., Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., John Glenn, D-Ohio, John McCain, R-Ariz., and Donald Riegle, D-Mich. That case is still pending before the ethics panel.

On the other side of the Capitol, the House voted to reprimand Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., for improperly using his office to benefit a male prostitute. The House ethics committee handed a written rebuke to Rep. Gus Savage, D-Ill., in a sexual misconduct case. The panel also was preparing to take action against Rep. Donald ''Buz'' Lukens, R-Ohio, who resigned his job in another sexual misconduct case rather than face the ethics sanctions.

In addition to the Keating Five and Durenberger cases, Bennett, the older brother of former Education Secretary and drug policy chief William Bennett, captained the ethics committee's 1981 investigation of Sen. Harrison Williams stemming from the Abscam scandal that led to the New Jersey Democrat's resignation.

The Keating Five senators are accused of exerting improper pressure on bank regulators to benefit indicted savings and loan kingpin Charles Keating Jr., who funneled $1.3 million in political contributions to the lawmakers. Bennett's case focuses on Cranston, DeConcini and Riegle and he has already urged full exoneration for Glenn and McCain.

The Senate ethics committee has held five weeks of public hearings into the matter and was set to resume the hearings on Jan. 2.

Bennett pointed to two trends that could lead more lawmakers toward ethics debacles: more and more constituents are asking for assistance from their elected representatives at the same time members of Congress, faced with escalating costs of political campaigns, must solicit contributions from many of those same constituents.

Bennett called the Keating Five case ''a booming warning that unless these trends are recognized and dealt with, we will have more cases like this and the reputation of this body and its members will be in utter ruin.''

On July 25, the Senate voted 96-0 to ''denounce'' the well-liked Durenberger for ''clearly and unequivocally unethical'' conduct and ordered him to pay $120,000 in restitution for violating Senate rules with a book promotion deal to launder speaking fees and by converting a personal residence into a business property so he could charge the government for its use.

Durenberger did not challenge the case against him, instead, in effect, throwing himself on the mercy of the court.

''For past mistakes, I ask your forgiveness,'' Durenberger told his colleagues. ''For future challenges, I need your friendship.''

One day after the Senate took action against Durenberger during a bittersweet proceeding, the House took action against Frank during a wild one. The rancorous debate was marred by name-calling among those supporting the House ethics committee's recommendation for a reprimand and those seeking a harsher penalty.

Rep. William Dannemeyer, R-Calif., urged expulsion and said Frank, an acknowledged homosexual, also violated sodomy and prostitution laws. Normally staid ethics chairman Rep. Julian Dixon, D-Calif., blasted Dannemeyer's claims as ''edited, selective garbage.''

The House voted 408-18 to reprimand Frank for abusing congressional privilege to help a male prostitute with whom Frank associated from 1985-87.

Both Frank and Savage, cited for making sexual advances to a female Peace Corps volunteer during an official trip to Zaire, won re-election.

Lukens, already convicted of a misdemeanor charge stemming from having sex with a 16-year-old girl and facing fresh claims of sexual misconduct, resigned his House seat on Oct. 24, becoming the fourth House member to resign from the 101st Congress amid ethics problems. The other three, all Democrats, bolted in 1989: former Speaker Jim Wright of Texas, former assistant Democratic leader Tony Coelho of California and Robert Garcia of New York.

As a result of the tumultuous 1990, some members of the Senate panel have indicated an unwillingness to further serve on the committee. Next up for the panel is deciding whether Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., improperly pressured officials from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to benefit political contributors and friends.

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COLUMBUS, Ohio (DEC. 18) UPI - Ohio State coach John Cooper denied a report Tuesday that he was one of two coaches who turned in Notre Dame coach Lou Holtz for violations in the recruitment of star running back Kijana Carter of

Westerville, Ohio, South High School.

A story in Tuesday's edition of the St. Paul, Minn., Pioneer Press, said Ohio State and Penn State both had reported the alleged violations to the NCAA.

''As far as I know, there's no validity to anything in that story,'' Cooper said when told of the report. ''That's one of those wild stories, I guess, and I don't even want to comment on it.''

''But,'' he added, ''we have not turned in Notre Dame, I do know that. I don't know what happened on his (Carter's) visit to Notre Dame.''

''Both Penn State and Ohio State have turned in Notre Dame and Holtz for several major violations in the recruitment of Carter,'' the story quoted a major college football coach, who requested anonymity.

''Not only did Notre Dame have Carter's mother stay in the home of a booster, Carter stayed free in a dormitory on an unpaid visit and watched on the sidelines throughout the game. He apparently was also given some school athletic equipment while there,'' the coach was quoted as saying.

The Pioneer Press story, by staff writer Charley Hallman, also quoted the unidentified coach as saying Westerville South coach Tony Pusateri had not been allowing schools other than Notre Dame to talk with Carter.

The story also identified Pusateri as a graduate of Notre Dame.

''I barely made it through Capital University,'' said Pusateri, while also denying other statements made by the unidentified coach.

''Kijana stayed with a good friend of his from Westerville who goes to school at Notre Dame,'' said Pusateri. ''His mother drove to Notre Dame and returned home after the game and he didn't take any equipment.''

Pusateri said last summer he personally drove Carter to four of the five schools which he had planned to visit - Ohio State, Penn State, Notre Dame and Michigan.

''I drove him to these places so he could see them without everybody flowering over him,'' said Pusateri. ''Of course, I couldn't drive him to Colorado.''

''I think we're in pretty good shape with him,'' Cooper said of his efforts to recruit the suburban Columbus star, considered the top running back prospect in Ohio. ''He visited Colorado last weekend and he came back bubbling about Colorado. But, that's to be expected. The week before, it was Penn State.''

Because of injuries, Carter, a 6-foot, 210-pounder with sprinter's speed, was limited to just five games the past season. He still managed to rush for 985

yards and 11 touchdowns. As a junior, he gained 1,700 yards in 10 games.

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BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (DEC. 18) UPI - Yugoslavia's collective presidency Tuesday condemned as ''anti-constitutional'' a plebiscite on independence for the Slovenian republic and asked federal authorities to take steps to preserve the Yugoslav federation.

The presidency did not indicate the nature of the steps it was seeking. But the body is the supreme commander of the Communist-led military, which has recently raised fears of possible intervention in the nation's political crisis by underscoring its determination to maintain a federation based on socialism.

The eight-man collective head of state, in a statement issued after a session in Belgrade, acknowleged that the Yugoslav constitution gives the six republics the right to secede from the federation forged in 1918.

But it said: ''The Yugoslav state presidency considers that ... the secession of the republic of Slovenia from the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia .. is an anti-constitutional and one-sided action that attempts to impose on other Yugoslav republics through the policy of a fait accompli.

''The Yugoslav state presidency cannot agree nor accept anybody's one-sidedaction which violates the constitutional legal order and integrity of the country and its interests and, therefore, it asks the federal government, together with the federal administrative organs, to prepare and undertake indispensable measures by which these interests will be protected.''

The presidency is composed of one representative from each republic and two autonomous republics.

Slovenian leaders defended the plebiscite set for Sunday.

Approval would not mean automatic secession of the most liberal and economically developed republic, they said, but would arm the government with the authority to declare independence if there is no accord in a dispute on Yugoslavia's future political setup.

''The plebiscite is only the clearly expressed will of the Slovenian people,'' Slovenian Assembly President France Bucar told a news conference in the republic's capital of Ljubjlana, 350 miles west of Belgrade.

His assertion underscored that the vote is for now intended to give the Slovenian government an additional bargaining chip in its fight for a new federal constitution converting Yugoslavia into a confederation of independent

states.

Slovenia and Croatia, governed since May by nationalists, are demanding confederation because of a revival of historic fears of economic and political dominance by the largest republic, Serbia, fueled by the aggressive rhetoric of its communist government.

Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic, re-elected in Dec. 9 multi- party elections, wants to maintain the federation unless Serbia's boundaries are expanded to include Serbian enclaves now in other republics.

Milosevic has repeatedly refused invitations to discuss the dispute with his Croatian and Slovenian counterparts.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 18) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Tuesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	81.10	81.20	80.93	80.95	81.10
Feb	76.90	77.10	76.75	76.88	76.88
Apr	76.90	77.00	76.75	76.80	76.97
Jun	74.70	74.80	74.50	74.63	74.72
Aug	73.15	73.15	72.95	73.00	73.07
Oct	73.05	73.15	73.03	73.03	73.07
Dec	74.00	74.00	73.75	73.75	74.00

Est. sales 11,557 contracts; Monday 8,422; open interest 69,603 off 518.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	89.25	89.25	89.05	89.22	89.30
Mar	86.80	86.93	86.65	86.78	86.82
Apr	85.20	85.50	85.20	85.25	85.25
May	83.90	84.13	83.85	83.90	83.85
Aug	83.50	83.80	83.50	83.50	83.32
Sep	83.30	83.30	83.20	83.00	82.80
Oct	....	....	....	82.80	82.55
Nov	....	....	....	82.85	82.55

Est. sales 1,016 contracts; Monday 1,453; open interest 11,490 up 208.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	51.10	51.10	50.10	50.40	51.40
Feb	49.30	49.35	48.80	49.10	49.58
Apr	47.30	47.30	46.72	47.15	47.42
Jun	50.55	50.55	49.95	50.50	50.58
Jul	50.25	50.45	50.05	50.35	50.65
Aug	49.20	49.30	48.85	49.20	49.50
Oct	....	....	....	44.05	44.30

Dec .... 44.85 44.80 Est. sales 7,690 contracts; Monday 6,345; open interest 24,782 off 1,220.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	62.50	63.20	61.30	62.22	63.08
Mar	61.65	62.45	60.60	61.65	62.30
May	62.00	62.70	61.00	61.95	62.58
Jul	61.70	62.50	60.90	61.78	62.20
Aug	59.85	59.95	59.20	59.78	59.83

Est. sales 6,117 contracts; Monday 4,504; open interest 12,967 off 46.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Tuesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lb 130.42 down 52 cents, 700-850 lb 129.43 down 62 cents; select 1-3 550- 700 lb 119.34 down 3 cents, 700-850 lb 118.87 up 1 cent.

Pork carlot trading very slow; demand light; fresh pork loins, Boston butts and skinned hams firm; seedless bellies not fully established; pork loins 14-18 lb 110.50-113.00; Boston butts 4-8 lb 83.50-90.00; hams 17-20 lb 65.00-66.50, 20-26 lb 62.00-70.00; bellies 20-25 lb 43.00.

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PARK CITY, Utah (DEC. 18) UPI - Six people were killed and up to 30 others were injured Tuesday in a collision between a Greyhound bus and at least one semi-truck on an icy highway near the Wyoming state line, authorities said.

The eastbound bus was on Interstate 80, about 10 miles west of Evanston, Wyo. and near the Wyoming state line when the collision occurred about 11 a.m. MST, Utah Highway Patrol spokesman Gary Whitney said.

Six people were killed. Up to 30 people were injured, although precise figures were not immediately available on injuries or the number of people aboard the bus.

The bus hit at least one semi-truck on the ice-bound highway that was swept by high winds. Whitney said two trucks were left wrecked on the roadway, but it was not immediately clear whether both trucks struck the bus.

''We're not sure what caused the accident up there, though it appears the weather and road conditions could have been a factor. It's real icy in the area and we have high winds.'' Whitney said. Interstate 80 was closed in both directions between Park City, Utah and Evanston, a distance of about 50 miles.

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EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (DEC. 18) UPI - It's Jan. 16. Kuwait is still Saddam Hussein's beach resort and U.S. troops are on the move. Across the border thousands of Iraqi tanks are on alert and headed toward Saudi Arabia.

The shooting begins. Desert dust flying everywhere, illuminated by howitzer fire. Up in the sky, it's a squadron of A-10 attack jets criss- crossing the battlefield. But wait. They're holding back, confused - can't tell the friendly tanks from the unfriendlies.

It's a scenario Gen. Norman Schwartzkopf, commander of all U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf, can't afford to let happen.

So earlier this month he brought in the 23rd Tactical Air Support Squadron and their OA-10 surveillance jets from Tucson, Ariz., to keep things straight.

''Our job is to go out in advance of the A-10s and sort out the big picture,'' Capt. Jon Engle, 28, of Houston, Texas, told reporters who came to inspect the jets Tuesday. ''We try to pick out the good guys from the bad guys and relay that information to the pilots behind us so they can hit the right targets.''

The OA-10s, which stands for observe and attack, are identical to their cousin fighter jets structurally, but they don't carry the same range of weapons. At an air base in eastern Saudi Arabia, the surveillance planes also did not carry the shark's teeth on their noses that flight crews had painted on the A-10s.

In any engagement with Iraq, the OA-10s, one-man jets manufactured by Fairchild Corp., would fly over enemy terrain and mark preselected targets with canisters of white phosphorous, which emit a wispy trail visible to the attack pilots.

The pilots spend an enormous amount of time studying maps and intelligence reports so that they can recognize a hostile missile site from the air.

''Once we locate the target, we put the smoke out on it so the ingressing pilots will have no trouble finding it,'' said Lt. Col. Bob George, 39, of Indian Rocks Beach, Fla., who commands the squadron.

The A-10s are used primarily to provide air support for army units on the ground and are known as ''tank crackers'' because their artillery is designed to detroy the enemy's armored vehicles. George said the surveillance mission of the OA-10s is particularly important because of Iraq's 5-to-1 numerical advantage in tanks.

''If I were the army, I'd want us pounding the heck out of those guys before I came in,'' George said.

In fact, all of the squadron's pilots spend about a month each year going on maneuvers with a corresponding unit and several would be assigned to stay with the troops to coordinate an attack directly with their colleagues above.

''The Army wants us to do this because we talk Air Force,'' George said, explaining that foul-ups have occurred in past because of misunderstandings between the two services.

Coordination is better now but some minor rubs persist with the other service, which considers the flyers who share their foxholes to be somewhat cocky.

For instance, the Army commander was not amused when he found Capt. Michael Beard, 33, of Bossier City, La., chomping down pepperoni pizza with two chums while they were supposed to be picking through standard Army rations with the rest of the unit during training in Hawaii.

''The commander goes, 'You can't eat pizzas back here. Jeez, typical Air Force.'''

Beard, who had ordered the pies from Domino's Pizza by field telephone to celebrate his promotion to major, said he wasn't fazed.

''We just laughed.''

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Retail inflation rose three-tenths of one percent last month... after gaining six-tenths of one percent in October. The Labor Department says the slow rate of increase is thanks in part to what the government terms a ''sharp deterioration'' in energy prices. But consumers found little relief from rising prices at the grocery stores where fruit, vegetables and beef cost more. The bill for dining out increased three-tenths of one percent... while the tab of movies, sporting events and concerts rose one-tenth of one percent.

Another sign of solidarity behind the Bush administration's blueprint for dealing with Iraq. The 12-nation European Community decided today against meeting with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz until he sees President Bush in Washington. A tentative Aziz meeting with Bush had been set for yesterday... but NEVER took place because Washington and Baghdad are deadlocked over dates for a visit to Iraq by Secretary of State Baker. Baker earlier said it would be fine with him if Iraq's foreign minister met with E-C officials, providing NO ''mixed messages'' were sent.

The Houston company offering a for-pay sweepstakes that could send the winner into space for a week had more telephone calls yesterday than it could handle.

And that momentarily overloaded the special 900 telephone circuit that was set up to take names and addresses of would- be cosmonauts, charging them two dollars 99 cents for each call. Space Travel Services is paying the Soviet space agency to send the contest winner into space aboard one of its manned rockets in late 1992 or early 1993. It woN'T say what the cost is, but it reportedly is more than the 12-Million dollars a Japanese broadcast network paid the Soviets to put one of its reporters into space.

A warrant has been issued charging Indiana State University Professor Robert David Little with murder in the 1982 mutilation death of 23-year- old Stephen Agan. Little was named as a participant in the slaying by condemned killer Larry Eyler, who already confessed his part in the killing. Eyler says the library science professor urged him to kill Agan and took pictures of the murder. Eyler is a suspect in at least 20 slayings of young men in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio. He is under a death sentence in Illinois in the slaying of a Chicago youth.

If you're thinking of taking Fido or Fluffy on that holiday trip... think again. A Texas newspaper is reporting that more than 70 dogs, cats and other pets have died in U-S airline cargo holds this year, mostly because of heat stroke or suffocation. Other animals reportedly died or were injured in accidents that included pets being released on runways or being burned or crushed on airport conveyor belts. One pet advocate calls it the worst year ever... saying that ''Nothing is born to die in a cargo bin.''

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CHICAGO (DEC. 18) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Tuesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.54 1/2	2.54 3/4	2.51 1/2	2.51 3/4	2.54 1/2
Mar	2.66 1/2	2.66 3/4	2.62 3/4	2.63 1/4	2.66 3/4
May	2.73	2.73 1/2	2.70 1/4	2.70 3/4	2.73 1/4
Jly	2.75 3/4	2.76 3/4	2.73 1/2	2.74	2.76
Sep	2.81 3/4	2.82 1/4	2.80	2.80	2.81 1/2
Dec	2.93 1/2	2.93 1/2	2.93	2.93	2.94
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.26	2.26 1/4	2.24 3/4	2.25	2.26 1/4
Mar	2.38 1/2	2.39	2.37 3/4	2.38	2.39 1/4
May	2.46 1/2	2.47	2.45 1/2	2.46	2.47 1/4
Jly	2.52 1/2	2.53	2.51 3/4	2.52 1/4	2.53 1/2
Sep	2.53 3/4	2.53 3/4	2.53	2.53 1/4	2.54
Dec	2.53 1/2	2.54	2.53 1/4	2.54	2.54 1/4
Mar	2.60 1/4	2.61	2.60	2.61	2.61 1/4

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.09 1/2	1.09 1/2	1.06 1/2	1.06 1/2	1.09 1/2
Mar	1.19	1.19	1.14 3/4	1.15 1/4	1.19 1/4
May	1.24 1/4	1.24 1/4	1.20 1/2	1.21	1.24 1/2
Jly	1.27 1/2	1.28 1/4	1.26 1/4	1.26 1/2	1.29 3/4
Sep	....	....	....	1.31 1/2	1.35
Dec	1.41	1.41	1.40	1.40	1.43 1/2

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Jan	5.86 3/4	5.88 1/4	5.81	5.83 1/4	5.87 3/4
Mar	6.01 1/2	6.03 3/4	5.96 1/2	5.98 1/2	6.02 1/2
May	6.16 1/2	6.18	6.11 1/4	6.13 1/2	6.17 3/4
Jly	6.29	6.29 3/4	6.24	6.25 3/4	6.29
Aug	6.30 1/2	6.32	6.27	6.28	6.30 1/4
Sep	6.25 1/2	6.26 1/2	6.22	6.23	6.27 1/2
Nov	6.24	6.26	6.23 1/4	6.24	6.25 1/4
Jan	6.36 1/2	6.37	6.35	6.35 1/2	6.36
Mar	6.48 1/2	6.49	6.47	6.47 1/2	6.48

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	21.15	21.15	20.94	21.00	21.23
Jan	21.25	21.28	20.96	20.99	21.32
Mar	21.60	21.65	21.33	21.33	21.67
May	21.88	21.88	21.63	21.63	21.95
Jul	22.00	22.00	21.82	21.83	22.11
Aug	21.96	21.96	21.75	21.75	22.02
Sep	21.90	21.90	21.65	21.65	21.95
Oct	21.80	21.80	21.65	21.65	21.85
Dec	21.75	21.75	21.65	21.65	21.85
Jan	....	....	....	21.60	21.80

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	176.00	176.10	173.80	175.00	176.00
Jan	176.50	177.70	175.00	175.90	177.10
Mar	181.80	182.70	180.00	180.90	181.90
May	185.70	186.20	183.70	184.70	185.60
Jul	188.80	189.20	186.80	188.10	188.90
Aug	190.00	190.50	188.50	189.00	190.00
Sep	190.00	190.00	187.50	188.00	189.50
Oct	188.00	188.00	187.00	187.00	188.20
Dec	189.00	189.50	189.00	189.50	191.00
Jan	....	....	....	187.50	189.50

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DETROIT (DEC. 18) UPI - Mercedes-Benz of North America Inc. said Tuesday its

goal is to maintain its U.S. sales at about 75,000 cars for 1991 despite a new tax on luxury cars and the doubling of gas guzzler fees next year.

But during a media briefing in Detroit, Mike Jackson, senior vice president of sales operations for MBNA, said it is too early to tell what effects the new legislation may have on that sales target.

Jackson also said Mercedes will support a coalition to lobby against the new taxes. "We're faced with tax laws that seem to penalize those who have been the leader in safety and technology," he said, adding that the effort will most likely be spearheaded by dealers of European luxury cars, since most domestic brands are still priced under $30,000.

That legislation includes an extra 10 percent tax on cars costing $30,000 or more effective Jan. 1., as well as a doubling of the owner-paid tax on cars with poor fuel economy.

MBNA officials said they expect the two taxes to add about 4 percent to the price of most Mercedes cars, which currently range from just under $29,000 for the 190E sedan, to $89,300 for its 500 SL roadster.

The U.S. marketer of the German automaker, headquartered in Montvale, N.J., also sought to dispel any notions that new luxury cars from Japanese manufacturers, like Toyota's Lexus and Nissan's Infiniti divisions, have hurt its sales.

"Their success has not come at our expense," said Jackson, adding that "the real culprits" behind MBNA's 24 percent sales slide since 1986 have been tax legislation that went into effect in 1987 and the declining dollar versus the German mark.

"It is not correct to attribute this to the advent of new Japanese makes ... implying those makes are stealing our customers," Jackson said, noting that while the Japanese have strived to compare themselves with European marques, the major portion of trade-ins have come from domestic brands.

Lexus' U.S. car sales for 1990 through Nov. 30 have totaled nearly 57,000 units, while Infiniti has sold just over 21,000 cars. Kenneth Moriarty, manager of market planning for MBNA, said Mercedes would most probably not have seen its sales rise had Lexus and Infiniti not entered the market.

"Buyers regard those cars as different from ours" he said, adding that by the mid-1990s, MBNA could have an opportunity to attract early Lexus and Infiniti buyers into the higher end of the luxury car market.

MBNA officials also said it is shortening its product cycle from ten or 11 years to between six and eight years - but insisted that general competitive pressures, not new Japanese offerings, is causing it to do so.

The company will introduce one new model each year during the 1990s, completely revamping its product offerings and expanding its line from 18 models now to 22 models by 1995.

One will be its first all-new large sedan in 11 years, to debut as a 1992 model this March at the Geneva Auto Show. Another is the 500E, a limited production sedan based on its mid-sized line but powered by a 326 horsepower, 32-valve 5.0 liter V8 engine. Also dubbed a 1992 model, it is expected to cost about $75,000. A V12 engine is planned for its roadster during the mid-1990s, MBNA said. On other matters, MBNA said:

- it will pay about $17.5 million in corporate average fuel economy fines this year, down from about $20 million in 1989. Jackson said the company would rather pay those fines than make compromises in safety features or new technology.

- it hopes to sell diesel-powered cars in California by 1993 because of technological advances that should allow it to meet standards on lower particulate emissions.

California represents about 30 percent of MBNA's overall U.S. diesel market - which would mean a significant sales expansion. Mercedes' diesel car sales in the 49 states for 1990 will be about 4,500 units.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Retail inflation rose three-tenths of one percent last month... after gaining six-tenths of one percent in October. The Labor Department says the slow rate of increase is thanks in part to what the government terms a ''sharp deterioration'' in energy prices. But consumers found little relief from rising prices at the grocery stores where fruit, vegetables and beef cost more. The bill for dining out increased three-tenths of one percent... while the tab of movies, sporting events and concerts rose one-tenth of one percent.

Another sign of solidarity behind the Bush administration's blueprint for dealing with Iraq. The 12-nation European Community decided today against meeting with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz until he sees President Bush in Washington. A tentative Aziz meeting with Bush had been set for yesterday... but NEVER took place because Washington and Baghdad are deadlocked over dates for a visit to Iraq by Secretary of State Baker. Baker earlier said it would be fine with him if Iraq's foreign minister met with E-C officials, providing NO ''mixed messages'' were sent.

The Houston company offering a for-pay sweepstakes that could send the winner into space for a week had more telephone calls yesterday than it could handle.

And that momentarily overloaded the special 900 telephone circuit that was set up to take names and addresses of would- be cosmonauts, charging them two dollars 99 cents for each call. Space Travel Services is paying the Soviet space agency to send the contest winner into space aboard one of its manned rockets in late 1992 or early 1993. It woN'T say what the cost is, but it reportedly is more than the 12-Million dollars a Japanese broadcast network paid the Soviets to put one of its reporters into space.

Indiana State University Professor Robert David Little turned himself in to Indiana authorities who issued a warrant today, charging him with murder in the 1982 mutilation death of 23-year-old Stephen Agan. Little was named as a participant in the slaying by condemned killer Larry Eyler, who already confessed his part in the killing. Eyler says the library science professor urged him to kill Agan and took pictures of the murder. Eyler is a suspect in at least 20 slayings of young men in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio. He is under a death sentence in Illinois in the slaying of a Chicago youth.

If you're thinking of taking Fido or Fluffy on that holiday trip... think again. A Texas newspaper is reporting that more than 70 dogs, cats and other pets have died in U-S airline cargo holds this year, mostly because of heat stroke or suffocation. Other animals reportedly died or were injured in accidents that included pets being released on runways or being burned or crushed on airport conveyor belts. One pet advocate calls it the worst year ever... saying that ''Nothing is born to die in a cargo bin.''

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(DEC. 18) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS:

Baseball

Atlanta - Agreed to a 2-year contract with free-agent infielder Rafael Belliard.

Chicago (NL) - Waived pitcher Bill Long.

Toronto - Named Garth Iorg manager of Myrtle Beach of the South Atlantic League; announced 4-year affiliation contract with Myrtle Beach.

College

Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference - Named Brad Tracy supervisor of women's basketball officials.

Whittier - Named Kenneth Visser football coach.

San Diego State - Extended contract of football coach Al Luginbill for one

year through 1993 season.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said Tuesday he saw no need for his foreign minister to go to Washington if President George Bush was going to reiterate demands that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait.

Saddam's statement, in a Turkish television interview, came as European Community foreign ministers decided in Brussels, Belgium, they would not meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz unless he first holds talks in Washington with President Bush.

Secretary of State James Baker told the ministers earlier in the day that the United States would not oppose a meeting between Aziz and the EC, as long as Iraq did not receive ''mixed messages'' from the countries involved.

The U.S. Secretary of State, in Brussels for a meeting of NATO foreign ministers, also said he expected Iraq to attempt ''diplomatic sleights-of-hand'' in the coming weeks and reiterated that a partial Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait was unacceptable.

Proposed meetings between Aziz and Bush in Washington and between Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad have been stymied as the two countries argue about appropriate dates, 28 days before the Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

In an interview released Tuesday in Ankara, Saddam told Turkey's state television, ''There is no need for us to go to Washington if Bush is to repeat to us the U.N. Security Council resolutions.'' The resolutions call for the complete withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2.

The EC had earlier this month agreed that Aziz would meet with EC President Gianni de Michelis, the foreign minister of Italy, after his talks with Bush in Washington. The ministers said Saturday they would not change the ground rules for the proposed EC meeting.

Baker said the United States would not object to the Aziz-de Michelis talks and supported all diplomatic efforts toward peace.

''The one thing we do discourage are discordant messages, mixed messages or mixed signals,'' he said. ''The message thats going to go to the Iraqis must be a unifrom message, which is that they must comply with the United Nations resolutions in full.''

On Monday, Baker told the NATO meeting that Iraq may take the ''dramatic'' step of a partial withdrawal on or about Jan. 15, and urged the allies to

reject it as a ''ploy.''

The United Nations has given Iraq until Jan. 15 to leave Kuwait, which it occupied Aug. 2, or face war with the U.S.-led multinational force in the region.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - Disputing persistent media reports, Drug Enforcement Administration officials insisted Tuesday there is no connection between the agency and the 1988 terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103.

Appearing at a House subcommittee hearing, DEA Assistant Administrator Stephen Greene said: ''I am here today to put to rest the lingering allegations, surfaced primarily in the media, of DEA's alleged involvement in the bombing of Pan Am 103.''

''I assure you,'' he said, ''that those allegations are unfounded and that DEA had no part in this terrible tragedy.''

As he spoke, family members of some of the 270 people who perished in the disaster over Lockerbie, Scotland, watched from the front row of a packed hearing room.

''They're only getting part of the story,'' said Joan Dater, a member of Victims of Pan Am 103. ''It's going to be misleading. It's not full disclosure.''

''We're calling for a full investigation,'' added Rosemary Wolfe, a member of Families of Pan Am 103-Lockerbie. ''We're concerned about airline security in the future.''

Only the DEA officials were called to testify at Tuesday's meeting of the House Government Operations Committee subcommittee on government information, justice and agriculture.

Committee Chairman Robert Wise, D-W.Va., cautioned that the purpose of the hearing was not to get to the bottom of the largest criminal investigation in history, but rather to determine if there was any DEA to the Dec. 21, 1988, bombing.

Broadcast reports last month said Pan Am flights from Frankfurt, West Germany, including Flight 103, had been used several times by an undercover DEA operation to fly informants and suitcases of heroin into Detroit. The flights were part of an elaborate sting operation to snare Middle East drug dealers.

The reports said drug operatives may have uncovered the top-secret operation

and retaliated by slipping a bomb in the suitcase of Khalid Jafaar, a Lebanese-American said to be acting as a DEA courier.

The DEA has denied any involvement, but nevertheless conducted an internal review, as did the FBI, another branch of the Justice Department. Both agencies said there was no evicence the allegations were true.

''We have conducted an exhaustive internal review, which revealed that DEA had no ongoing investigation or operation in Europe during, or immediately before, December 1988 which even remotely resembled the one described in the media reports,'' Greene said.

He said the media reports run contrary to the way his agency conducts drug operations.

''The scenario described by the media is completely incompatible with the way DEA operates overseas,'' Greene said. ''Our overseas operations are conducted in complete accord with the laws of the host country in which we serve.''

In addition, he said, ''As a matter of policy, DEA does not conduct operations which circumvent airport security. Therefore, DEA would not have attempted to move drugs through a foreign airport without the knowledge of the host country's law enforcement officials and without compliance with applicable local security requirements.''

Investigators reportedly believe that the bombing was ordered by Iran, and orchestrated by the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, in retaliation for the U.S. downing of an Iranian Airbus jetliner over the Persian Gulf.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 18) UPI - Widespread selling and the lack of export business pressured grain and soybean futures Tuesday.

Closing prices were lower in relatively quiet trading on the Chicago Board of Trade.

The lack of confirmation of Soviet purchases of corn and soybean meal contributed to the weakness across the floor. There were indications the Soviets had purchased meal from South America rather than the United States. But rumors continued they had bought a large amount of U.S. corn.

A dull export outlook for the near-term weighed on prices across the floor. The only news from exporters was that Algeria bought 85,000 tons of wheat and was in the market for another 100,000 tons.

Soybeans fell to their lowest levels in nearly three weeks, but came off the lows after midday as buying interest picked up.

The grains were lower on profit-taking and spillover weakness from soybeans.

Country movement was light to moderate.

At the close, corn was off 1/4 to 1 1/4, soybeans down 1/2 to 4 1/2, wheat off 1 to 3 1/2 and oats down 3 to 4.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - Calling the lack of civil liberties in the workplace a ''national scandal,'' the American Civil Liberties Union called Tuesday for a Bill of Rights for Employees to protect workers exercising their constitutional rights.

According to a report prepared by Lewis Maltby, coordinator of a special task force to examine workers' rights, the fundamental values protected by the Constitution's Bill of Rights virtually stop at the factory gate and office lobby.

From the basic right of freedom of speech to the more sophisticated right to due process, the ACLU study found that American workers enjoy virtually none of the protections that are taken for granted in daily life.

''There is a crisis in the workplace of a magnitude unseen in many decades,'' Maltby said.

While the report said that organized labor and unions provide some protection for workers, it also noted that only 16 percent of American workers now belong to a union and most existing labor agreements do not include adequate protections.

According to the report:

-An estimated 2 million employees every year are required to take written personality tests that probe their sexual lives, bathroom habits and family relationships.

-Employers routinely listen in on the telephone calls of 1 million employees.

-At least 15 million employees are required to submit samples of their urine to be analyzed, frequently under conditions that amount to a strip search.

-A large and growing industry provides undercover agents to industry to spy on employees and report their actions to management and many companies have

installed hidden cameras to watch their employees.

Equally alarming, according to the report, is a growing tendency of companies to seek to control the behavior and actions of workers when they are not at work or are at home.

''The first example of this Big Brother-type expansionism was urine testing for illicit drugs,'' it said. ''Almost half of American employers require their employees to submit to urine tests, despite the undisputed fact that urine testing does not measure impairment and despite all available evidence indicating that most people's use of legal or illegal drugs on their own time does not render them drug dependent or affect their work,'' the report said.

''Now, many employers are refusing to hire people who acknowledge using tobacco in their own homes and even terminating current employees who refuse to quit smoking,'' it said.

While the report said that free speech is perhaps the most cherished of all American values, ''there is no right to free speech in the workplace.''

''An employee who expresses any disagreement with company policy can be legally fired,'' it said. ''It does not matter that the disagreement was expressed in a courteous or professional manner, or that it was expressed within the organization and not to the outside world, or that the employee continuted to competently perform his or her job and even abide by the questioned policy.

''Any experssion of disagreement can be a ground for firing,'' it said.

And it said that firing could be legal even if an employee objects to a company practice that is illegal.

Maltby, at a news conference where he was joined by members of Congress, labor and religious officials, said the ACLU will work to pass - on both the federal and state level - laws implementing the proposed six-point Employees Bill of Rights.

The proposal includes protection for freedom of speech, the right to organize, the right to privacy - including bans on searches, drug tests or discrimination against workers for off-duty conduct - fair treatment, equal treatment and legal protection, including giving employees the right an ''an adequate and affordable legal remedy'' if they charge their rights are violated.

Rep. William Clay, D-Mo., has introduced legislation that would give the proposed statement of rights the force of law.

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ORLANDO, FL (DEC. 18) UPI - The average price of gasoline has dropped 1.4 cents since Thanksgiving, the American Automobile Association said Tuesday in its Christmas Fuel Gauge Report. The nationwide average price of self-serve regular unleaded gasoline was $1.371 per gallon, AAA said.

Holiday travelers should also find plentiful supplies of gasoline. AAA said 84 percent of stations planned to maintain normal operating hours Christmas Day, and 33 percent would stay open 24 hours.

The price of self-serve unleaded was still 31 cents higher than on Aug. 1, the day before Iraq invaded Kuwait, but it was unchanged from a week ago, the motoring federation said.

The holiday Fuel Gauge Report was conducted for AAA by Computer Petroleum Corp. of St. Paul, Minn., based on a nationwide survey of 5,000 gasoline stations.

New England had the nation's highest prices with an average of $1.437 per gallon for self-serve regular unleaded. Other regional prices for self-serve unleaded were: West, $1.432; Mid-Atlantic, $1.413; Great Lakes, $1.373; Southwest, $1.321; Southeast, $1.319; and Midwest $1.298.

AAA said the nationwide average price for self-serve regular leaded gasoline was $1.361 per gallon, while the self-serve premium average was $1.53. At the full-service pumps, regular unleaded averaged $1.585 a gallon, regular leaded was $1.57, and premium was $1.722 per gallon.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Tuesday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	376.75	up 3.50
Morning fixing	376.00	off 0.75
Afternoon fixing	377.40	up 0.65
Close	377.50	up 0.75
Paris	377.84	off 0.81
Zurich	377.50	up 1.00
Hong Kong	376.00	off 0.75
New York		
Comex spot close	376.50	off 1.00
Republic cash	375.25	off 2.00
Handy and Harman	377.40	up 1.10

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 378.69 up 1.10 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 397.62 up 1.15 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	3.96 up	0.004
Republic cash	3.98 up	0.02

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 3.93 per fine ounce off 0.01

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 3.95 off 0.01 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.227 off 0. 01.

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 412.00 off 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 512.00 off 2.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 88.50 up 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 103.50 up 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - The Navy's A-12 Avenger bomber slipped deeper into trouble Tuesday when the Pentagon said it had told key contractors their performance was unacceptable and had given them until Jan. 2 to suggest a recovery plan.

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams revealed that the department had issued a "cure notice," which is formal notification to the contractors "that the government considers contractor performance unsatisfactory."

Williams said the $4.7 billion contract could be terminated if St. Louis-based contractors General Dynamics Corp. and McDonnell Douglas Corp. fail to devise a remedy for the problems that have plagued the program.

"We'll see whether their way is satisfactory," said Williams of any new plan submitted for the ambitious attack aircraft project that is more than $1 billion over budget and 18 months behind schedule.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney told the Navy last week that it has until Jan. 4 to explain why the project should not be scrapped. Meetings between Defense Department officials and officials of the two giant defense contractors began on Tuesday. The U.S. attorney in St. Louis is conducting a criminal investigation of whether the contractors received partial payment for work that had not been done.

Also, a report Tuesday in the trade paper Defense News disclosed that an audit by the Defense Contract Audit Agency questioned the health of both contractors. The report said the audit's conclusion raised questions about the ability of the two firms to pay possible overpayments.

Williams would not discuss the financial condition of the contractors, but told reporters: "Obviously the health of the companies, the health of the contract, contract performance, all of that, is something we're going to discuss with the companies."

The program was rocked this month by word that one admiral was ordered to retire, a second was censured and transferred and a captain was censured over the fact that word of the plane's problems was not raised loudly enough to be heard by Cheney during a review of aviation programs. Cheney told Congress the A-12 was doing fine but later he was embarrassed when contractors said they were running behind schedule and over budget.

Last week, the Pentagon's senior procurement official, who was involved in relaying program data to Cheney, announced he would resign at the end of the year.

The A-12 is designed as a replacement for the aging A-6. It would fly off aircraft carriers, have stealth characteristics and would be able to conduct bombing missions at night. Williams said decisions needed to be made quickly because of the need to get the fiscal 1992 budget ready for Congress.

The spokesman said that while there were no other similar programs under development, alternatives to the A-12 were under consideration. But he declined to discussa the alternatives.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Gold futures closed Tuesday 40 to 100 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	377.80	378.20	376.50	376.50	377.50
Jan	....	....	....	377.30	378.20
Feb	379.00	381.10	378.20	378.40	379.30
Apr	382.30	384.00	381.50	381.90	382.80
Jun	386.50	387.90	386.40	385.60	386.50
Aug	389.00	389.00	389.00	389.10	389.90
Oct	....	....	....	392.60	393.30
Dec	398.00	398.70	397.60	396.10	396.70
Feb	....	....	....	399.80	400.30

Apr	....	....	....	403.30	403.80
Jun	....	....	....	407.10	407.60
Aug	....	....	....	411.10	411.50

Open interest: 111,136 off 450
Estimated sales: 20,000 contracts.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Reading down: sales, earnings, earnings per share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
AG Edwards Inc (3rd Q 11-30)	
$155,049,000	$150,087,000
$12,357,000 (.54)	$14,506,000 (.62)
Careercom Corp (4th Q 9-30)	
$33,432,000	$37,761,000
$56,000 (.01)	d-$8,058,000
d-Deficit.	
Carter Hawley Hale (1st Q 11-3)	
$566,269,000	$658,768,000
d-$14,870,000	d-$13,880,000
d-Deficit.	
Great Atl & Pac (3rd Q 12-1)	
$2,610,968,000	$2,550,533,000
$32,050,000 (.84)	$31,169,000 (.82)
Highland Superstores (3rd Q 10-31)	
$193,059,000	$212,985,000
d-$4,831,000	$1,560,000 (.09)
d-Deficit.	
Humana Inc (1st Q 11-30)	
$1,330,000,000	$1,107,000,000
$75,000,000 (.72)	$63,000,000 (.63)
Jewelmasters Inc (3rd Q 11-3)	
$7,997,964	$7,849,965
d-$529,624	d-$720,599
d-Deficit.	
Marcade Group (3rd Q 11-3)	
$101,602,000	$120,404,000
d-$834,000	$5,872,000 (.11)

d-Deficit.

Quicksilver Inc (4th Q 10-31)
$18,593,000 $15,914,000
$1,890,000 (.30) $1,596,000 (.25)

Safecard Svcs (4th Q 10-31)
$35,638,000 $29,970,000
$7,286,000 (.25) $5,940,000 (.22)

Sensormatic Elec (2nd Q 11-30)
$57,238,000 $47,131,000
$6,323,000 (.23) $5,264,000 (.19)

Ultimate Corp (2nd Q 10-31)
$40,233,000 a-$51,629,000
ad-$42,136,000 d-$648,000
a-Reclassified
ad-Deficit, after a restructuring charge of $21,400,000 and additional non-recurring selling, general and administrative expenses of $21,100,000.
d-Deficit.

WSMP Inc (3rd Q 11-2)
$14,183,000 $14,667,000
d-$483,000 $62,000 (.03)
d-Deficit.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam poured cold water on the idea of a meeting between his foreign minister and President Bush. In an interview released today in Ankara, Saddam told Turkey's state t-v ''there is NO need'' for such a meeting if all Bush will do is repeat the U-N demand that Iraq leave Kuwait.

If push does come to shove next month, the Pentagon says its troops are ready. Spokesman Pete Williams says the U-S forces in the Gulf region will be prepared to force Iraq out of Kuwait on January 15th... the day set by the United Nations as the day when force can be used. The U-S contingent is expected to grow to about 430-thousand troops by mid- January or early February. Iraqi forces in Kuwait and southern Iraq top 510-thousand.

The Washington State Labor Council is calling for a nationwide boycott of toys made in China. The state's biggest labor organization says many Chinese-made goods are produced using the forced labor of children and tortured political prisoners. Americans last year bought more than one-BILLION 700-Million dollars worth of Chinese-made toys, sporting goods and games.

A group of the nation's rich and powerful traveled to one of Washington's most economically diverse neighborhoods today to launch a new initiative to aid the homeless. The group, including Housing and Urban Development Secretary Jack Kemp, told reporters in the Adams- Morgan neighborhood that the Corporate Housing Initiatives project will, for the first time, use the low-income housing tax credit to provide housing for the homeless. The Fannie Mae mortgage program is kicking off the new project with a 10-Million-dollar investment and will lead an effort to bring in more corporate investors.

Britain's housing minister announced says a new government plan will provide one-thousand new beds for the homeless in central London. Sir George Young says many new beds will be made available before Christmas in order to get those without shelter off the streets before the holidays. Some estimates put the number of homesless sleeping in London streets as high as three-thousand. An opposition Labor Party member of Parliament dismissed the initiative as ''Christmas wrapping around an empty package.''

President Bush today signed an executive order directing federal government departments and agencies to be closed for a half day on Christmas Eve, giving federal workers an extra half-day holiday. Under the order, certain offices and installations must remain open and some employees must remain on duty for reasons of national security or other essential public services.

The lawyer for a Texas third-grader who spends his school days in isolation for refusing to cut his skimpy ponytail says he hopes an appeals court will strike down the dress code as early as January. Attorneys for the Bastrop County school board today asked a state judge to dismiss a lawsuit filed by the mother of eight-year-old Zachariah Toungate. Last month, a Bastrop County state district judge upheld the school's dress code.

A mother in Riverview, Florida, says an extra thick diaper may have saved her 10-month-old child from a bullet. 20-year-old Grace Ford says two armed, masked robbers burst into her house Sunday night and demanded money and took her jewelry. Sheriff's deputies say that when the family dog began barking, the intruders fired three shots at it. All three shots missed the dog... but one apparently put a hole in the infant's diaper. Police say the suspects fled by car.

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RIO DE JANEIRO (DEC. 18) UPI - The Third World's largest debtor, Brazil, has decided to end its year-and-a-half moratorium and resume interest payments to creditors in the first quarter of 1991, the Economy Ministry announced Tuesday.

The ministry said the government has decided to pay foreign bankers $490 million in the first three months of next year, roughly 30 percent of the $1.6

billion it should be paying then.

Brazil has the Third World's largest foreign debt, estimated at $118 billion, and it stopped interest payments in June of last year, alleging insufficient resources.

Economy Minister Zelia Cardoso de Mello, in statements released by the ministry, said Tuesday that the payments to be made next year "demonstrates we are interested in negotiating. Brazil reiterates its stand to make efforts to bring debt negotiations to a successful conclusion."

She said the government has not decided entirely what approach to take in refinancing the remainder of what is in arrears, which she said will contine to be negotiated."

"Brazil has made every effort in this period (of negotiation), but it was not possible to reach an agreement on arrearages," she said. She said that the expected payment next year of $490 million "respects our capacity to pay and does not signify paying debt with inflation."

Mrs. Cardoso de Mello made the announcement after the Senate approved a resolution that impedes the government from paying the $8 billion arrearage until next February.

The resolution, adopted unanimously just before the Senate went into recess until February, says the Senate must be consulted before payments on back interest are made. Since the Senate won't be in session until February, the end result of the resolution was a delay in payments. "This was a way to gain time," said pro-government Senator Jose Ignacio.

A delegation of Brazilian experts, headed by chief debt negotiator Jorio Dauster, has been in New York since Sunday discussing ways to refinance the debt with creditors. A month ago Brazil offered to pay creditors $940 million by the end of December, but the offer was rejected as insufficient.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $1 to $13 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.65 cent lower to 2.50 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.10 cent higher to 0.30 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.30 cent higher to 0.68 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.40 to $1.00 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $2.10 to $2.30 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 4.90 to 5.75 cent higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 10.0 to 40.0 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - unchanged to 0.03 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - The government has failed to ensure silicone breast implants are safe despite evidence the devices may imperil women's health, a congressional committee was told Tuesday.

Although the Food and Drug Administration has been concerned for at least eight years about the health of millions of American women with breast implants, the agency has yet to require manufacturers prove the implants' safety.

''In our nation most people assume that these medical devices are very carefully studied by the Food and Drug Administration before they can be sold '' said Rep. Ted Weiss, D-N.Y., at a sometimes contentious, sometimes emotional four-hour hearing called to investigate safety concerns.

''Unfortunately, this is not true. The fact is that silicone breast implants have never been ruled safe or effective by the FDA,'' said Weiss, chairman of the House Resources and Intergovernmental Relations Subcommittee.

Since the 1960s, more than 2 million American women have received breast implants - about 85 percent to enlarge their breasts and about 15 percent to reconstruct a breast after mastectomy. About 130,000 women get implants annually.

Weiss accused the FDA of ''dragging its feet'' on regulating implants despite concerns by scientists inside and outside the agency, and suggested the FDA was ''under pressure'' to ''kowtow'' to plastic surgeons and implant manufacturers.

FDA officials defended their actions, saying they were balancing safety concerns against the value of implants to breast cancer patients. In addition, they said evidence indicates any adverse health effects appear relatively rare.

''I want to emphasize that these are all open questions, and current evidence cannot conclusively assure safety or demonstrate the extent of any risks,'' said Walter Gundaker, acting director of the FDA's center for devices and radiological health. ''If the questions were settled we would have acted prior to this time.''

Nevertheless, Gundaker said he expected the agency would issue a final ruling on the matter by March 1991, and that action would probably require companies to prove the implants are safe.

Both the American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons and the Dow Corning Corp. of Midland, Mich., which makes implants, defended the devices, saying they helped women recover from disfiguring breast surgery.

Before 1976, the FDA did not require companies to prove most medical devices such as implants were safe or effective. But a more recent law requires proof for new devices, and the agency began taking steps to examine the safety of the implants when questions were raised about the safety of silicone.

In addition to at least one study that found silicone gel can cause a form of cancer in rats, experts testified during the hearing that the silicone implants can leak or burst and there is evidence that the leaking silicone can trigger an immune system response that can produce serious illness.

''We believe that silicone has the ability to excite the immune system and in time the immune system attacks the person's body,'' said Dr. Frank Vesey, a professor of medicine at the University of South Florida College of Medicine in Tampa.

The hearing began with testimony from three women who received implants. While one woman said she was happy with the implants, two described serious health problems they attributed to their implants.

Janet Van Winkle, 47, of Kirkwood, Mo., choked back tears as she described years of medical problems stemming from the 1982 implantation of silicone following breast cancer surgery, including hives covering her torso, chronic fatigue, back and joint pain, severe headaches, chills and nausea.

''When I embarked on my journey through the halls of plastic surgery and breast implants I have never told that any of these thing could happen. It has left me broke and disfigured,'' she said.

All those testifying agreed more information should be made available to women alerting them to potential risks of silicone implants.

Dr. Joseph Arcarese of the FDA's office of training and assistance, acknowledged that a brochure about the implants had been delayed because a plastic surgeon's group has withheld endorsement because it includes a list of consumer groups patients can contact.

Arcarese said, however, that he was optimistic that a compromise would be reached soon, stressing that without the endorsement he was concerned doctors would not cooperate.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Tuesday unchanged to 3 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.71	9.78	9.60	9.70	9.70
May	9.80	9.85	9.70	9.78	9.78
Jly	9.85	9.87	9.75	9.82	9.85
Oct	9.83	9.87	9.76	9.83	9.84
Mar	9.93	9.93	9.93	9.89	9.92

Estimated sales: 8,181 contracts

Open interest: 108,354 off 294

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.72

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Tuesday 1 to 44 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	22.41	22.42	22.37	22.37	22.43
May	22.53	22.53	22.50	22.50	22.53
Jly	22.64	22.64	22.63	22.64	22.65
Sep	22.65	22.65	22.62	22.62	22.65
Nov	22.65	22.65	22.63	22.63	22.65
Jan	22.64	22.80	22.60	22.66	22.95
Mar	22.45	22.50	22.45	22.51	22.95

Estimated sales: 528 contracts

Open interest: 10,876 off 23

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CHICAGO (DEC. 18) UPI - Tuesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.43 1/4-2.63 1/4 off 1 1/4 to up 11 1/2.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.78 1/4- 5.81 1/4 off 4 1/2.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.28-2.31 off 1 1/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.38-2.41 1/2 off 1 1/4 to up 1/4.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Money Rates Tuesday as provided by Telerate Systems Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 6.50

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.25

60 to 89 days 7.89

90 to 119 days 7.72

120 to 149 days 7.61

150 to 179 days 7.48

180 to 270 days 7.42

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.40 - 7.40

Issuers 30 days 7.76

Issuers 90 days 7.38

Issuers 270 days 6.95

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.30

60 to 89 days 8.00

90 to 119 days 7.90

120 to 149 days 7.80

150 to 179 days 7.75

180 days 7.65

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.95

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 7-16 - 7 9-16

1 month 8.25 - 8.375

3 month 8.875 - 8.006

6 month 8.625 - 8.75

Year 8 9-16 - 7 11-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 6.73 - 6.71

6 months 6.73 - 6.71

Year 6.57 - 6.55

Federal Funds: High 7 3/8, Low 7 5-16, Close 7 5-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Tuesday: 7.519 up 0.011.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (DEC. 18) UPI - Ewing Kauffman, who has been trying to find a buyer or partner for the Kansas City Royals, announced Tuesday he will

retain 100 percent control of the team.

The Royals were placed up for bid after 50-percent owner Avron Fogelman, a Memphis, Tenn., real estate developer, experienced severe financial problems. Kauffman lent Fogelman $34 million, with Fogelman putting up as collateral his half of the team and an option on buying Kauffman's half of the stock.

Kauffman said the bid process came about because of potential liability should Fogelman enter bankruptcy. Fogelman has until Jan. 3 to pay off the loan but Kauffman said he did not expect that to happen.

''We have concluded the auction process and the news is the Kauffmans will remain as owners of the Royals,'' Kauffman said.

Kauffman said more than 200 people showed an interest in buying the Royals, but the field dwindled to three, none with baseball ties or links to the Kansas City area.

He attributed the drop in interest to two factors: a poor economy and Kansas City's difficulty in supporting a major-league club.

Kauffman cited the lack of population base and television and a radio package worth just $5 million a year to the Royals. He said the team lost $6 million last year.

All three of the prime potential buyers were asked to submit non- binding bids for the team, but none came close to the figure Kauffman estimated he would need to break even on the deal.

''There would be around $80 million to pay back that we've put into the Royals and loaned to them,'' he said. ''So it would take more than that and the collusion charges came in at almost $11 million. So now you're at $ 91 million.

''The question was that did we want to match up. Well, we didn't have to because these people were smart enough to see that it was unfeasible to buy the ballclub.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Tuesday	1024.0
Monday	1026.8
Week ago	1023.1
Month ago	1018.3
Year ago	1057.7
1990 High	1209.9

1990 Low 1007.8

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ANKARA, TURKEY (DEC. 18) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, in an interview taped by a Turkish television commentator, said he saw no need for Iraq to go to Washington for peace talks ''if (President) Bush is to repeat to us the U.N. Security Council resolutions.''

In an interview with Turkish TV personality Mehmet Ali Birand, the Iraqi president appeared to indicate he had abandoned the idea of direct talks with the United States aimed at finding a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

A transcript of excerpts of Saddam's interview was released to the Turkish press in Ankara Tuesday. Turkish state television TRT said the full interview would be broadcast Tuesday night but later announced without elaboration that it would only be aired Wednesday night.

TRT said the interview was taped in Baghdad but did not say when.

The Iraqi president said: ''There is no need for us to go to Washington if Bush is to repeat to us the U.N. Security Council resolutions.''

He was referring to a visit to Washington by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz that had been scheduled for Monday but put on hold because of a deadlock over proposed talks between U.S. Secretary of State James Baker and Saddam.

Saddam insisted the reciprocal visit to Baghdad by Baker would take place Jan. 12.

The United States said that date was too close to the Jan. 15 deadline set by the U.N. Security Council for Iraq to pull its troops out of Kuwait or face possible military force. Washington proposed other dates that Baghdad rejected.

Security Council resolutions have called for Iraq's unconditonal withdrawal from Kuwait and imposed an economic blockade against the nation.

On Iraq-Turkey relations, Saddam called for concessions on both sides to enable them to resume the good neighborly relations that existed before the gulf crisis erupted Aug. 2 with the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	68	3-8	up	7-8
AT&T Company	31	3-8	up	3-4
BCE Inc	34	1-2	up	1-8
Bell Atlantic	56		up 1	
BellSouth Corp	55		up	1-2
Exxon Corp	50	7-8	off	1-8
Ford Motor Co	25	7-8	up	1-4
Genl Electric	56	3-4	up 1	3-8
General Motors	35	1-8	up 1	1-4
GTE Corp	30	1-4	up	1-4
IBM Corp	113	1-8	up 1	5-8
Mobil Oil Corp	57	5-8	unch	
Nynex Corp	74	1-4	up 1	1-2
Pac Gas & Elec	24	3-8	up	1-8
Pacific Telesis	46	5-8	up	1-2
Phila Electric	17	3-4	up	3-8
Sears Roebuck	26	5-8	up	1-2
Southern Co	27	5-8	up	1-4
Sthwestern Bell	57		up	7-8
US West Inc	38	1-2	up	1-8

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HOUSTON (DEC. 18) UPI - A company sponsoring a sweepstakes to win a trip to the Soviet space station Mir maintained the contest was valid Tuesday despite Soviet reports questioning the agreement.

Space Travel Services Corp. of Houston announced Monday the company had a contract to send an American on a week-long all-expenses-paid trip to the Soviet space station Mir.

The company said it was holding a sweepstakes to find the lucky winner and hopeful ''cosmanauts'' could enter the contest by spending $2.99 to call a 900 telephone number.

However, the official Soviet news agency Tass moved a story Tuesday saying Soviet officials had ''denied'' the reports that a U.S. citizen might fly on a Soviet rocket.

Soviet space officials who could be reached in Moscow Tuesday said they could confirm negotiations had been held with an American company but they were not sure if a contract had been signed. An official at the Soviet space agency Glavkosmos referred questions to the Energia enterprise, which makes Soviet rockets.

Vladimir Zenkin, deputy commercial manager for Energia, told United Press

International ''there have been negotiations with the Americans,'' but he did not know if a contract had been signed. He said all other questions would have to be answered by his supervisor, who was unavailable Tuesday.

Space Travel Services Corp. issued a statement that said the company had letters from Energia officials confirming the arrangements. Space Travel Services said it had a contract with Space Commerce Corp., which in turn negotiated the contract with Energia.

The contract with the Soviets was negotiated by Houston businessman Art Dula, president of Space Commerce, officials said.

The Tass report was the second problem to confront the company since it announced the sweepstakes Monday.

Thousands of callers overloaded circuits for the 900 number late Monday. Technicians resolved the problem but another overload caused the number to go out again for about an hour Tuesday morning.

Space Travel Services offered a refund for people charged for the call even though they were unable to register for the sweepstakes.

''Frankly, we were overwhelmed by the public's response to the sweepstakes,'' said David Mayer, Space Travel chief executive officer.

''We apologize for the inconvenience this problem may have caused'' people interested in registering for ''The Ultimate Adventure,'' he said.

Space Travel Services said it had contracted with the Soviet space agency for a seat aboard a Soyuz rocket in late 1992 or early 1993. The seat will be filled by one of millions of Americans expected to enter their name in the contest by making the $2.99 telephone call.

The ''guest cosmonaut'' will be selected at random in December 1991 by an independent judging organization, the company said. The winner may take the trip or $1.5 million cash, Mayer said.

If the winner opts for the cash, a backup astronaut selected from a group of 20 would be offered the trip.

''The overwhelming response to the sweepstakes has been gratifying. We are very concerned, however, that people who have wanted to call in have not been able to,'' said Jim Davidson, company vice president.

Residents of New York, Florida and Rhode Island are ineligible because of restrictive local laws, organizers said.

Space Travel Services declined to say how much they will pay the Soviets for

the flight, but said it would be more than the $12 million reportedly paid recently to send a Japanese television reporter into space with the Soviets.

The company hopes to recoup its costs and earn a profit through the fees paid by hopeful cosmonauts who enter the sweepstakes by calling 1- 900-258-2MIR. The line is active nationwide now except in scattered rural areas, Mayer said.

Callers charged for the 900 call but unable to leave their names and addresses may request a refund by sending a copy of their phone bill to: Space Travel Services Corp., 1100 NASA Road 1, Suite 503, Houston, Texas 77058.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - Defiant in his reading of the law but conceding political naivete, Michael Williams, assistant education secretary for civil rights, said Tuesday he has met with White House officials and is reversing his ban on scholarships reserved for minorities.

Williams set off a firestorm of controversy earlier this month by announcing that according to his interpretation of civil rights laws and recent Supreme Court decisions, race-exclusive scholarships are illegal. The incident began when Williams gave unsolicited advice to the Fiesta Bowl on their scholarships for the teams playing in the New Year's Day football game.

Groups representing minorities and universities called Williams' ruling contrary to decades of legal advice. White House officials said they were not notified in advance of his ruling and, after a barrage of criticism from Cabinet members and top administration officials, Williams announced his new position.

''The position that we took is a position that is supported by the law, but there are obviously a lot of different ways to look at this and there is some legal merit to other ways of addressing it,'' Williams said.

''That letter (to the Fiesta Bowl), in the position of myself as well as the Office of Civil Rights, is legally correct, supported by current federal law. It is also consistent with the most recent practice of (the civil rights office). But it was indeed politically naive,'' William said.

Slipping in what might have been a faux pas, Williams continued, ''I am here to announce what is a new political, a new position of the Department of Education as it relates to the area of voluntary affirmative action in higher education,'' he said.

Under the six-point administrative policy he outlined, the Education Department will permit universities receiving federal funds to administer scholarships for minorities that are established and funded entirely by

private persons or entities.

Also, Williams said the department has no jurisdiction over race- exclusive scholarships funded by state and local governments.

However, Williams said the Education Department has determined that private universities receiving federal funds may not fund race-exclusive scholarships with their own funds.

''Given the evident confusion among the universities ... the Education Department will provide universities a four-year transition period in order to permit universities to review their programs under Title VI (civil rights law) and to assure that any students under scholarship, or being evaluated for scholarship, do not suffer,'' Williams said, adding that during the four-year period the administration will not pursue a ''broad compliance review of minority scholarships.''

He said he could not predict what would occur when the four-year period has concluded.

President Bush said the issue of race-based scholarships may be challenged in the courts, although he could not predict the outcome.

''But I do know I am for affirmative action, and I am for trying to help the groups that have the most disadvantaged through scholarships, and that's what I think has been resolved in the Department of Education, at least for the forseeable future, and I hope it stands,'' Bush said, adding he has always been committed ''to this concept of minority scholarships. Clearly, it should be valid, privately.''

Bush also rejected suggestions that his administration flip-flopped on the issue, contending the White House had no warning of Williams' initial decision.

Reaction to the policy modification was mixed.

''We don't think much of what was done today,'' said David Merkowitz of the American Council on Education, which represents higher education institutions.

''They've created further confusion by trying to split some hairs by stating what's allowed and not allowed. In fact, they've continued to say that the tremendous bulk of scholarships available for minorities are illegal,'' he said.

Benjamin Hooks, executive director of the NAACP, said the department's change of heart ''helps put the genie back in the bottle. Unfortunately, the genie, once let loose, cannot be put back in the bottle entirely, but we must try.''

Rep. Augustus Hawkins, D-Calif., retiring chairman of the House Education and

Labor Committee, still plans to hold hearings Wednesday on the issue, with Williams as one of the featured witnesses.

Williams said he held few discussions outside his office before announcing his original decision to prohibit race-based scholarships because he did not anticipate a controversy.

''We did not attempt prior to making the (Fiesta Bowl) decision to sort of weigh what was the feeling of people out in the community. We simply looked at the law very honestly and very straight forward. We had no way of knowing what I did would cause a firestorm that it did in fact cause,'' he said.

Williams, one of the few black conservative officials in the administration, was asked if he was a ''lackey'' for an administration run by whites.

''I haven't been a lackey for anyone. The position that I took, as it has been related on a number of occasions, was a position that I took because I thought it was right. If it happens to be a position that is inconsistent with any other people, that just happens to be the way it is,'' Williams said.

The controversy came at a time when administration relations with the minority community are strained because of President Bush's veto of the Civil Rights Act of 1990. Bush contended the bill would have established racial quotas.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Tuesday - $56,570,000

1990 to date - $10,607,880,000

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Minority churches and non-profit agencies that lost hundreds of thousands of dollars when Freedom National Bank failed last month now face financial ruin unless confiscated deposits are promptly returned, officials said Tuesday.

Church leaders and agency heads told a Congressional hearing that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. acted hastily when it closed down the troubled bank, and did not give community leaders enough time to try and save the bank, regarded as a landmark of black economic self-sufficiency.

Several witnesses accused the FDIC of using a racist double standard in its dealings with large white-owned institutions facing financial troubles and smaller minority-owned banks deemed to be fiscally at risk.

"We are on the brink of financial disaster," said the Rev. Wyatt Tee Walker, of the Canaan Baptist Church, which lost $641,000 when Freedom National closed its doors .

"We are not asking for welfare, but we're demanding what is rightfully ours. It is our money that a federal agency, the FDIC, has confiscated illegally and immorally," Walker said.

"Saddam Hussein has freed all the hostages. It's time for the FDIC to free all our money," said Walker, who was a member of the bank's board of directors from 1976 to 1986, the last year Freedom showed a profit.

The hearing was chaired by Rep. Charles Schumer, a Brooklyn Democrat, member of the House Banking Committee, and included Democratic Reps. Charles Rangel of Manhattan, Major Owens of Brooklyn, and Floyd Flake of Queens.

Federal regulators declared the black-owned Freedom National Bank insolvent and began paying back depositors Nov. 13 after a marathon session among Harlem leaders failed to secure $7 million in fresh capital needed to keep the bank open.

Depositors were insured up to $100,000 per account, and FDIC regulators said the process of identifying depositors with accounts greater than $100,000 who are covered by deposit insurance has been ongoing since the closing.

The bank, opened in 1964 by baseball star Jackie Robinson after he was discriminated against in lending, became "a source of comfort, convenience and pride" for black New Yorkers, Percy Sutton, chairman of Inner City Broadcasting and former Manhattan Borough president, told the hearing.

Sutton said his experience of being rejected by 63 banks before securing a loan to buy his first radio station was not unusual for blacks, and would continue if institutions like Freedom National do not survive to serve minorities.

Schumer said he was "profoundly disturbed" that Freedom's liquidation might undermine confidence in the whole banking system, especially for minorities. He also expressed concern about several "jarring contrasts" between how the federal government dealt with larger national bank failures and how it moved to close down Freedom.

Rangel said that of the 360 banks that were forced to liquidate in the last two years, only 15 were forced to pay off depositors, and three of those were black-owned, including Freedom National.

Grace Harewood, of the Fort Greene Senior Citizens Council in Brooklyn, said the FDIC and U.S Office of Currency "arbitrarily closed and discriminated" against Freedom National, and that churches and other agencies may be forced

to close with it.

The Rev. Philius Nicolas, of the Evangelical Crusade of Fishers of Men in Brooklyn, said he personally made a deposit at Freedom's Brooklyn branch the afternoon before the FDIC announced the bank's closing, a decision that Nicolas argued should have been made public much earlier.

Nicolas said it was not right for the federal government to hold onto close to $157,000 in funds collected as donations from parishioners towards a new building. "It's the people's money," he said.

The federal government is in the "ludicrous" position, said Kip Lenoir, of the Harlem Interfaith Counseling Service, of confiscating funds awarded to non-profit agencies to run programs that local legislators have deemed essential to their constituents. "Do we ask these agencies for a refund?" Lenoir said.

Schumer said he would be proposing legislation in the next session of Congress that would require banks to let depositors know when their accounts exceed the amount insured by the government.

Many vowed to learn form Freedom's mistakes, and said moves to open another lending institute had already begun within the city's black community. "Freedom National will come back from the ashes," Rangel said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Tuesday	2626.73	up	33.41	907.05	up	11.81	211.08	up	2.52
Monday	2593.32	off	0.49	895.24	off	7.87	208.56	unchanged	
Week ago	2586.14	off	10.64	905.17	off	4.50	209. 07	off	1.38
Month ago	2530.20	off	35.15	853.00	off	14.79	207.05	off	1.64
Year ago	2695.61	off	1.92	1139.22	off	1.61	233.65	unchanged	
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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(DEC. 18) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index 180.19 up 1.97

ASE Market Value Index 305.03 up 1.04
Dow-Jones Industrial 2626.73 up 33.41

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 18) UPI - The U.S. economy has already entered a mild recession that will continue until late next year, the UCLA Business Forecasting Project said Tuesday.

The forecast, which expects the nation's real economic growth to post a feeble 0.9-percent gain this year, also projected a decline of 0.9 percent in 1991.

''While acknowledging the serious risk of a deeper recession, we remain hopeful that the recession will fall in the short-to-moderate range,'' said David Hensley, acting director of the project, in a presentation on the UCLA campus before about 400 economists.

Hensley also said the depth and length of the recession will be most affected by actions by the banking industry and the Federal Reserve Board. Under the most negative scenario, banks and the Fed could create a nationwide credit shortage, he said.

''We could see a much deeper recession if the credit crunch extends beyond real estate,'' Hensley said.

After the forecast was issued, the Federal Reserve Board announced Tuesday it was cutting its benchmark discount interest rate by 0.5 percentage points to 6.5 percent, effective Wednesday. Other interest rates were expected to fall as a result of the Fed's decision to ease credit.

The forecast calls for drops in economic growth of 2.9 and 2.1 percent for the first two quarters of next year, then an edging up 0.8 percent in the third quarter and a 5.3-percent jump in the fourth quarter of 1991 as the recession ends. For 1992, economic growth will rise 4.4 percent, then slow to 2.5 percent in 1993.

Hensley disputed the contention the Bush administration and others that the economy, which posted a surprising preliminary third-quarter growth of 1.7 percent, is not already in a recession. He said the reasons for pessimism include plunges in auto sales, industrial production and consumer confidence, a jump in uemployment to 5.9 percent and severely depressed housing market.

''We're fairly certain that we've been in a recession since summer,'' Hensley said. ''The activity has been bad across the board and it looks as if it is intensifying.''

The forecast assumes the United States will avoid a shooting war with Iraq,

adding that the economic implications of going to war are unclear, but probably negative. The stimulus from higher defense spending would be marginal since it would follow the biggest U.S. military buildup in peacetime history.

''Moreover, the outbreak of war is likely to cause a temporary spike in oil prices, raising inflation expectations, which would drive long- term bond yields higher and further depress the economy,'' Hensley said.

Hensley correctly predicted the Fed will move to lower interest rates, since it appears that there is little threat of inflation. The government reported Tuesday that inflation at the retail level eased last month as consumer prices rose 0.3 percent in November after gaining 0.6 percent in October.

The forecast said the biggest problem would be that banks, hit hard this year by real-estate loan losses and increasing regulatory pressure to improve their capital position, may tighten lending even further. Loans to the real estate industry, which has an oversupply of product in the commercial area, have been drying up.

''The real fear is that the credit crunch might extend throughout the economy '' Hensley said. ''Even if the Fed does bring rates down, financial institutions might be so risk-averse that they will not lend money.''

If that happens, the resulting recession would last until early 1992, Hensley said, with the most severe downturn coming in real estate. Hensley said the forecast predicted a 30-percent chance of a ''deep'' recession.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - Environmental groups urged the Bush administration Tuesday to include tough energy efficiency standards and the development of renewable fuels in its National Energy Strategy, which is expected to be released next month.

But the 16 organizations, joined by Sen. Timothy Wirth, D-Colo., feared that President Bush, a former oil developer, would exploit the Persian Gulf crisis to bolster oil exploration in environmentally sensitive areas in Alaska.

''We need a strategy representing long-term vision rather than a short-term response to the current crisis,'' Wirth said.

At the same time, Wirth and members of the groups, including the Wilderness Society and the Natural Resources Defense Council, used the gulf crisis to argue for conservation and fuel effeciency measures that would diminish the nation's reliance on foreign oil.

In a letter to Bush last week, released Tuesday, the organizations said the

United States should adopt measures that would decrease energy costs, promote energy independence and slow the effects of global warming, which is caused by the emission of industrial and automobile pollutants that are trapped in the atmosphere.

The groups proposed reducing by 20 percent oil imports within 10 years. They also called for increasing fuel efficiency standards in new light vehicles by 60 percent within a decade, doubling the federal tax credit on research and development for renewable fuels and cutting energy consumption in buildings and homes by adopting tougher building codes and using existing insulation tools.

Representatives of these groups were unable to calculate the costs of these measures, which would fall disproportionately on industry and automobile manufacturers.

''I think ultimately it is going to save the American consumer money, '' Wirth said.

Dan Lashof, a scientist with the Natural Resources Defense Council, was more direct.

''I think we've learned that what's good for the United States is good for (General Motors) and not the other way around,'' he said.

Failure to adopt these measures, they warned Bush in the letter, would ''seriously weaken (the National Energy Strategy) and subject it to criticism from the conservation and environmental movement.''

But the criticism began in earnest Tuesday, when former Sen. Gaylord Nelson, D-Wis., counselor to the Wilderness Society, said he ''Fully expect(s) that the president will use the Persian Gulf confrontation as an excuse to call for the exploration and development of some of the rarest and most fragile of our nation's vanishing wildlands.''

Nelson said Bush had already endorsed legislation that would open the coastal plain of the Alaska Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil exploration.

The organizations were equally critical of nuclear power, which they called wasteful, unsafe and inefficient.

''A policy based on a nuclear revival will threaten our safety,'' said Brooks Yeager, of the National Audubon Society.

The negative comments of these individuals seemed alsmost certain to presage a conflict between environmentalists and the White House, which in the past has favored a heavier reliance on traditional sources of nuclear power and oil.

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#90352u1637 12/18/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 176,460,000 shares
1990 to date - 38,619,373,791
Warrants - 1,571,000
1990 to date - 253,494,700

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Tuesday:
Stocks - 11,960,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,236,995,040
Bonds - $4,750,000
1990 to date - $735,646,000

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#90352u1642 12/18/1990 ~United Press International
JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 18) UPI - President Frederik de Klerk, facing a surge of black impatience over the pace of apartheid reform, Tuesday launched his strongest attack yet on the African National Congress, accusing it of fanning ''the flames of confrontation.''

De Klerk, speaking on state-run television in a tough Christmas address to the nation, said he was disappointed that the ANC ''appeared to have reverted to outdated rhetoric and policies that form the flames of confrontation.''

He also promised new measures to quell the ''anarchy'' in war-torn black townships.

''The time has come for the ANC to decide what they want,'' de Klerk said. He asked if it sought ''peaceful and negotiated solutions'' or ''to revert to the confrontation and conflict of the past'' - a reference to ANC plans for increased protest and mass demonstrations aimed at speeding an end to white minority rule.

De Klerk accused the ANC of advocating ''outmoded revolutionary doctrines and radical methods,'' of demanding an immediate transfer of power regardless of preliminary negotiations, and of refusing to acknowledge ''that any fundamental change has taken place.''

Reacting to de Klerk's speech, ANC spokeswoman Gill Marcus said the movement had ''taken note'' of the content and was willing to clarify its policies.

''If there are areas or issues ... on which the government needs clarification

or more information, such clarification would be provided in contact with the government at the initiation of either party,'' Marcus said in a brief statement.

The ANC, charging reform was slowing down and angry over alleged state involvement in factional black violence, gave the government an ultimatum at its national conference last weekend to speed up change.

The movement said it would consider suspending preliminary talks on ending apartheid if its demands were not met by April 30, 1991.

The ANC insisted Pretoria accede to a constituent assembly to precede a post-apartheid government, and as part of its ultimatum that de Klerk speed up the release of political prisoners and return of exiles, scrap all repressive laws, and end political trials.

The movement said it would intensify its mass protests until the demands were met.

ANC President Oliver Tambo also accused Pretoria of complicity in a wave of factional black violence that has killed more than 3,000 people this year, and linked government action in ending the violence to continuing the talks process.

Tambo returned to his home township of Wattville Tuesday after 30 years in exile with a call on blacks to fight apartheid without quarter.

''Let us hasten the dawn of freedom by intensifying the struggle,'' Tambo told some 1,500 cheering people at a welcome rally in the township, near the all-white town of Benoni east of Johannesburg.

''We must leave the enemy no quarter,'' he added.

The 73-year-old Tambo, frail after suffering a stroke in August last year, came back to South Africa last Thursday and spent Tuesday morning meeting relatives and friends he had last seen before leaving the country in 1960.

De Klerk, who has blamed the violence on traditional tribal differences, said the government would step up measures to quash the strife, South Africa's worst outbreak of urban factional fighting.

''The government shall not allow a state of anarchy in our country,'' he said. ''We will not shrink back from using all available resources to ensure stability.''

''With regard to both security action and positive initiatives, even more must be done,'' de Klerk said, noting ''certain additional steps and initiatives will shortly be taken'' to bolster police and soldiers patrolling the

worst-hit black townships and supplement curfews and other emergency regulations.

''The maintenance of law and order is not negotiable,'' he said, but did not give details of what the government might do in the future to curb violence.

De Klerk called violence, intimidation, the ''increasing radicalization'' of youth, and incitement to racial hatred ''unacceptable,'' citing particularly the ''one settler, one bullet'' slogan of the militantly anti-apartheid Pan Africanist Congress.

''None of these unacceptable trends has anything to do with genuine democracy '' de Klerk said.

Recalling his reforms, launched February, he said the black opposition, including the ANC, had been legalized and all ideas could be discussed freely.

After two rounds of preliminary talks, Pretoria and the ANC agreed in August they had cleared the way to full-blown power-sharing negotiations.

The ANC suspended its 29-year guerrilla war against white minority rule in exchange for stepped up reform, including the release of political prisoners and the return of exiles by the end of next April.

But since the August agreement, fewer than 100 of an estimated 1,500 prisoners have been freed and the return of an estimated 20,000 exiles has bogged down in government demands that returnees declare political crimes of which they might be guilty.

The flare-up of factional violence in townships around Johannesburg in August added to ANC frustrations.

The movement has since repeatedly said substantive talks can take place only once the government makes further reforms and acts decisively on the conflict.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Cotton futures closed Tuesday 30 to 68 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	75.35	75.72	75.30	75.42	75.98
May	74.91	75.00	74.50	74.65	75.33
Jly	74.50	74.65	74.27	74.32	74.82
Oct	68.00	68.00	67.75	67.75	68.15
Dec	65.05	65.20	64.95	65.05	65.35
Mar	66.00	66.00	65.80	65.80	66.30

May 66.40 .... 66.25 66.75

Estimated sales: 4,500 contracts
Open interest: 42,702 up 237
The World spot average: unavailable

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Tuesday:

High 305.14, low 303.72, close 305.03, up 1.04.

There was a gain of 3 cents in the average share price.

Volume 11,960,000 shares, compared with 10, 200,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	12
New Lows	49
Advances	283
Declines	284
Unchanged	272
Total Issues	839

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - The city council approved regulations Tuesday regulating horses that pull carriages past the majestic monuments and statues of America's capital city.

But angry animal-rights activists quickly promised to begin a petition drive designed to ban horse-drawn carriages from the city's streets. They said the horses are poorly treated and stabled under bad conditions.

''These regulations legalize cruelty to animals,'' said Cam MacQueen, a spokeswoman for People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals.

''They'll be able to be out in temperatures from 25 degrees to 89 degrees,'' McQueen said. ''At pavement level in the summer, it's often 25 degrees hotter than the actual air temperature.''

The bill that received final passage Tuesday was described as ''fairly comprehensive'' in regulating the hours and temperatures during which horses can pull the carriages. Stable conditions also are regulated, and horses must be registered and examined once a year by a veterinarian.

Last week, two city carriage-horse operators were arrested and accused of

cruelty to animals after police were tipped off by inspectors from the Washington Humane Society. Four horses were impounded.

Animal-rights activists said they would try to collect 15,000 signatures on petitions to have an initiative placed on the ballot next year ''to ban horse-drawn carriages from the streets.''

There also have been controversies in New York and other cities over treatment of the horses, ranging from dehydration, lameness from overwork, rope burns, heat prostration, beatings from operators, and unsafe and ill-fitting harnesses.

Work hours and street access for the horses have been restricted in Chicago, Denver, Indianapolis and Louisville, Ky. City governments in Santa Fe, N.M., and Palm Beach, Fla., have banned the carriage-horse trade.

In Washington, two companies currently operate seven horse-drawn carriages. The horses generally trot past the Mall and past downtown hotels.

''New York City started 20 years ago with two carriage horse operators, just like Washington, but today New York has 68 carriage horse operators and 130 to 140 horses,'' McQueen said.

Despite the dispute, some in New York view the horses and their colorful carriages as a charming part of the ambiance of Central Park and the ritzy hotels that line its green expanses.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Tuesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Apple Cmptr	(AAPL)	78,291,848	42 1/4	up 2 1/8
Amgen	(AMGN)	52,896,780	63 3/8	up 1 5/8
Microsoft	(MSFT)	49,984,980	75 1/4	up 1 1/4
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	41,642,836	19 1/8	up 3/8
AST Res	(ASTA)	37,099,944	32	up 5 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTC)	34,288,620	37 1/4	up 1 1/2
Laserscope	(LSCP)	22,202,142	26 1/4	off 7/8
Autodesk	(ACAD)	20,518,412	48	unch
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	20,184,786	32 3/4	up 1 1/4
Reuters Hld	(RTRS)	18,281,736	38 3/4	unch

Composite Index 163.46 up 2.05

NMS volume 103,624,704 shares.

Advances	900
Declines	708
Unchanged	1,162
Total	2,770

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	381.96	229.46	144.03	22.87	326.02
Opening	382.92	230.01	144.11	22.95	326.78
11 a.m.	382.91	230 09	144.69	22.97	326.98
Noon	383.65	230.72	144.74	22.99	327.52
1 p.m.	383.78	231.26	144.79	23.04	327.68
2 p.m.	383.76	231.00	144.65	22.99	327.57
3 p.m.	383.36	230.82	144.69	23.02	327.35
Close	386.06	232.36	145.82	23.56	330.05
Change	up 4.10	up 2.90	up 1.79	up 0.69	up 4.03

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.54	up 0.42
10 Public Utils	93.44	up 0.38
10 Industrials	89.65	up 0.46

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2591.34	2639.36	2583.17	2626.73	up 33.41
20 Trans	895.05	915.29	889.43	907.05	up 11.81
15 Utils	207.94	212.02	207.43	211.08	up 2.52
65 Stock	906.92	924.86	903.45	919.49	up 11.64

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Tuesday	Monday
Indus	20,599,500	11,856,200
Trans	3,304,700	2,313,600

Utils	2,927,900	1,849,600
65 Stock	26,832,100	16,019,400

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.54	up 0.42
10 Public Utils	93.44	up 0.38
10 Industrials	89.65	up 0.46

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 125.84 off 1.17.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 18) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev said Tuesday he is prepared to ''let them hang me on a cross'' in his battle to prevent the Soviet Union from disintegrating.

Gorbachev, surrounded by a throng of reporters and lawmakers at the U.S.S.R. Congress of People's Deputies, also said that his vast country's economic crisis has been exaggerated and that the Soviet people will not go hungry during the harsh Russian winter.

''I think there is no threat of hunger,'' Gorbachev said. ''We have the resources, and there will be the resources, for keeping food supplies at the necessary level.''

Gorbachev said that nationwide referendums on a new Soviet federation and on private land ownership, which he proposed Monday on the first day of the Kremlin gathering, should take place this winter.

Some deputies from the tiny southwestern republic of Moldavia walked out of the Congress, raising to six the number of the Soviet Union's 15 republics observing a full or partial boycott of the session promoted by Gorbachev as a unity meeting.

Three dozen lawmakers went to the podium in the Grand Hall of Congresses on Tuesday to debate Monday's state-of-the-union address by Gorbachev, who asked for more presidential powers and approval of a referendum in which people would vote on whether they want to remain Soviet citizens.

Nikolai Travkin, one of the country's most radical deputies, accused Gorbachev of reverting to dictatorial methods in the new powers he is seeking, which include putting the government directly under his control and creating new law-and-order agencies.

When Travkin finished speaking, Gorbachev leaned forward from his central seat at the front of the hall and extended what he said was a copy of his speech

from Monday to the startled lawmaker at the podium several steps below.

''Since I have the impression that you didn't listen to or read my address, I have made some notations for you,'' Gorbachev said.

Gorbachev's plan to hold a national plebiscite on the fate of the union is a risky bid to appeal directly to the people, over the heads of rebellious governments in the republics and his own fractious legislature.

''Let the people decide such questions as the fate of the union and the land, which belongs to the people,'' Gorbachev told journalists and deputies during a break in the session.

But Rafik Nishanov, chairman of one of the Soviet Parliament's two chambers, said that even republics where a majority of people vote for secession will have to follow a complicated series of steps required by a national law passed earlier this year.

The steps include a waiting period of five years after the referendum, extensive negotiations with Moscow and final approval by the federal legislature.

Gorbachev, however, stepped up his campaign to keep the country from disintegrating in the maelstrom of his political and economic reforms.

''Let them kill me, let them hang me on a cross, but I will not abandon my position,'' he said. ''It is impermissible to pit peoples against each other. We must strive for unity.''

Nishanov said that nationalists in the northern Baltic region and other parts of the country have gone too far in demanding freedom from Soviet rule.

''We have a saying in Uzbekistan: If you are mad at a flea, don't burn your blanket,'' Nishanov said.

While Gorbachev and other top officials pressed their unity drive, Russian Federation leader Boris Yeltsin signed another bilateral accord with a separate republic.

Yeltsin, Gorbachev's main rival for power, signed an agreement on economic cooperation with Byelorussian President Nikolai Dementei, the latest in a series of such pacts between the dominant Russian republic and sister Soviet states.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - The National League Tuesday named six finalists for

its two expansion baseball teams in 1993.

The six cities are: Buffalo, N.Y.; Denver; Miami; Orlando, Fla.; St. Petersburg-Tampa, Fla., Washington. The two winning bids will be announced before Sept. 30.

The long list of expansion candidates had 10 cities with 16 prospective owners. The four cities dropped from consideration were: Nashville, Tenn., Charlotte, N.C., Sacramento, Calif., and Phoenix.

''All prospective ownership groups on the short list are the most qualified in terms of financial stability, significant community identification and long-term committment to a baseball club and their community,'' Dan Danforth, chairman of the NL Expansion Committee, said in a statement. ''The cities on the list are the best in terms of market size, government commitment to support baseball and stadium facilities in place or planned.

''We look forward to the next step in the expansion process, visits to the sites and final recommendations.''

The National League currently has 12 teams, two less than the AL. The last expansion teams to enter the major leagues were Seattle and Toronto in 1977.

The new franchises will pay $95 million each to join the NL. They will not be able to share in the league's television revenues for at least two seasons.

The expansion timetable calls for minor-league play to begin in 1992 with the player allocation draft in November 1992.

Of the six finalists, only Washington, a longtime member of the AL before the franchise moved to Minnesota, previously had a major-league team.

Florida, with three candidates, is a big favorite to land one team. Buffalo, which has broken minor-league attendance records, now seems uncertain it can afford a team.

The finalists for the two teams, with prospective ownership groups: Buffalo - Buffalo Baseball LP (the Rich family), Denver - Colorado Baseball Partnership (Stephen Ehrhart, John Antonucci, Michael Monus, Michael Nicklous, Cary Taraji), Miami - South Florida Big League Baseball Inc. (H. Wayne Huizenga), Orlando - Orlando Sunrays Pro Baseball Team (Richard DeVos), St. Petersburg-Tampa - Sunshine State Baseball Associates, Ltd. (Sidney Kohl, Allen Kohl, Stephen Porter, S. Joel Schur), Washington - Metropolitan Washington Baseball (John Akridge 3d).

Only hours before the list was announced, Buffalo squelched its chances when local lawmakers said they are reconsidering plans to spend $2.5 million on expanding the city's downtown baseball stadium because of recent uncertainties

by the potential owners of an expansion franchise.

City councilmen said they may be forced to hold off on selling a $2.5 million bond for blueprints to expand Pilot Field because Robert Rich Jr., current owner of the Class AAA Buffalo Bisons and the principal owner in a group attempting to land the expansion team, has raised doubts about the financial feasibility of a big league club.

Rich, in a statement issued last weekend, said that while he is ''committed to bringing major-league baseball to Buffalo, we have said we do not believe in baseball at any cost.''

''The economics must make sense not just for us personally,'' Rich said, ''but for the city of Buffalo, County of Erie, and especially for our fans, too.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - The dollar fell across the board in New York trading Tuesday on a Federal Reserve Board cut in the discount interest rate, a widened trade deficit in October and a decline in the consumer inflation rate.

The Fed announced near the end of the New York foreign exchange session that it was cutting the discount rate, charged on loans to reserve system banks, to 6.5 percent from seven percent in a bid to lift economic spirits.

Barclays Bank corporate dealer Bob Hatcher said the market's reaction was to "sell the dollar off a bit, but we're recovering already." He called the Fed move "a lagging event" confirming lower rates. "It's not as if the Fed is breaking new ground here," Hatcher said.

Late in New York the dollar was quoted at 1.4775 German marks, down nearly a pfennig from 1.4865 marks, and at 132.70 Japanese yen, off from 132.85. Britain's pound sterling moved up almost a cent, to $1.9400 from $1.9305.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2660 Swiss francs, off from 1.2740; 5.0390 French francs, down from 5.0580; and 1,117 Italian lire, off from 1,122.50.

Before the Fed announcement, Hatcher said, the dollar was recovering from the news that the U.S. trade deficit swelled to $11.6 billion in October, up $2.3 billion on costlier oil from $9.3 billion in September.

Also dollar-bearish was the news U.S. retail inflation had slowed to a 0.3 percent rate in November, vs. 0.6 percent in October. Participants saw that as clearing the way for more Fed interest-rate slashing.

Supporting the dollar was tough language from President Bush on Iraq's stance in the Persian Gulf impasse. "Bush continues to rattle the saber," Hatcher

said. "That frightens people and they buy dollars."

Many international investors see the dollar, or dollar-priced assets, as the most secure investments if a Mideast warfare erupts.

In Europe, the dollar moved lower against most key currencies as participants awaited further U.S. and British economic indicators.

"The markets are hungry for fresh news on the steepness of the slowdown in the U.S. and U.K. economies, and in the absence of this news, the markets will remain in the doldrums," said Avinash Persaud, a currency analyst at securities house UBS Phillips and Drew.

The dollar declined in Frankfurt to 1.4830 German marks vs. 1.4910, while in Zurich it slipped to 1.2685 Swiss francs from 1.2755 on Monday. In London, the pound rose slightly, to $1.9350 from $1.9305.

In Brussels, the dollar slipped to 30.71 Belgian francs from 30.78 on Monday. The dollar was stronger in Paris, at 5.0625 French francs vs. 5.0600, and in Milan it was unchanged at 1,123.10 lire. But it slipped in Brussels to 30.71 Belgian francs compared with 30.78 francs Monday.

In Tokyo earlier, the dollar drifted lower against the yen in dull trading as market players kept to the sidelines ahead of the release of trade figures. It closed at 133.03 yen, down slightly from 133.10.

In Zurich, gold moved up to $377.50 an ounce from $376.50, while in London it finished higher at $377.50 an ounce vs. $376.75.

Silver in Zurich closed higher at $4.00 an ounce vs. $3.95. In London silver closed at $3.96 an ounce, unchanged from the previous day.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $375.25 an ounce, off from $377.25. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $376.50 an ounce, down from $377.50 Monday.

Republic closed cash silver at $3.98 an ounce, up from $3.96. Comex silver finished at $3.96 an ounce, ahead from $3.956.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	370.17	up	4.45	367.99	434.35
Industrial	400.77	up	4.93	396.85	426.81
Finance	359.05	up	2.82	361.94	486.77

Insurance	452.52	up	3.11	448.87	524.38
Utility	476.13	up	9.03	475.48	699.65
Bank	255.53	up	2.71	256.00	375.38
Transport	413.54	up	5.93	404.99	477.44

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index	163.47	up	2.06
Industrial Index	160.12	up	2.09
NASDAQ-100 Index	398.53	up	8.42

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(DEC. 18) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Tuesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	25	8	19
New lows	67	68	50

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	951	119,127,800
Declines	577	37,474,100
Unchanged	495	19,858,100
Total	2,023	176,460,000

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Tuesday:

Market Value	305.03	up	1.04
High Technology	325.43	up	1.07
Capital Goods	330.28	up	1.26
Consumer Goods	396.86	up	3.32
Service	722.34	up	8.08
Retail	1009.51	up	4.35
Financial	351.27	off	1.13
Natural Resources	211.12	off	0.55
Housing-Const-Land	234.23	up	3.75

There was a gain of 3 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	412.07	up	4.92
Mid Atlantic	419.95	up	1.73
No Central	406.19	up	1.77

So Atlantic	884.27	up 3.13
So Central	302.54	up 2.85
Mountain	106.93	up 0.26
Pacific	351.94	off 0.17
Foreign	210.62	off 0.22

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Tuesday 398.53 up 8.42.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Citicorp	3,464,500	14 1/8	up 3/4
AT&T Company	2,771,800	31 3/8	up 3/4
Mfr Hanover	2,573,200	20 7/8	up 1 7/8
Amer Express	2,225,900	21 3/4	up 1/2
Philip Morris	1,987,700	51 5/8	up 7/8
Fedl Natl Mtg	1,806,300	35 1/8	up 1 1/2
Cdn Pacific	1,679,700	17 3/4	up 3/8
Genl Motors	1,633,000	35 1/8	up 1 1/4
IBM Corp	1,616,800	113 1/2	up 2
Unisys	1,558,800	2 5/8	off 1/8
Genl Electric	1,488,600	56 7/8	up 1 1/2
Chrysler Corp	1,457,700	13 5/8	up 3/4
PepsiCo	1,332,200	26 3/8	up 3/8
Edison Bros	1,290,300	24 1/4	unch
Ford Motor	1,269,600	25 3/4	up 1/8

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Tuesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6755	up 105
Cap Cities ABC	470	up 22 1/8
Atl Richfld pfC	295 3/4	off 8 1/4
Wash Post	199 3/4	up 5 3/4

Ohio Pwr pfE	93	up	5 3/4
PSI pfD	78 1/2	up	5 1/2
Citicorp pfB	75	off	5
Goodrich pf	94 1/2	up	4
Hitachi Ltd	86 1/4	up	3 7/8
GATX pf	58	off	3 1/2

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(DEC. 18) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 12
New lows 49

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	283	4,266,300
Declines	284	5,025,100
Unchanged	272	2,668,600
Total	839	11,960,000

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Tuesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Jan Bell Mktg	309,000	7 3/8	off 1/8
Energy Service	306,000	2 5/8	up 1/4
Contl Air Hldgs	300,700	2	unch
BAT Industries	280,100	11 3/8	up 1/8
Echo Bay Mines	254,500	7 1/2	off 1/8
Dow Chemical rt	245,600	5 3/8	off 1/2
Western Digital	245,600	4 1/2	off 1/8
Magma Copper Co	230,700	4 3/8	off 1/8
Morgan Foods	202,400	1 1/8	up 1/8
Salomon wt93Jan	197,800	16 1/8	off 1 5/8

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board lowered its benchmark discount interest rate Tuesday to 6.5 percent from seven percent, apparently in an effort to spur the nation's sagging economy.

Other interest rates also could fall as a result of the Fed's decision, making it easier to borrow money for everything from automobiles to homes and

businesses.

But economists said the end result of the cut could be more psychological than real. The cut is likely to help shore up consumer confidence, which has been dashed in recent months and has been a drag on an already slowing economy.

"I think it is psychologically important. It sends a very strong message to the markets that the Fed is very concerned about the current state of the economy," said Hugh Johnson, chief economist at First Albany Corp. in Albany, N.Y.

The stock market soared just seconds of the announcement. On the New York Stock Exchange, the Dow Jones industrial average skyrocketed 27 points within 20 minutes of the cut.

Johnson said the discount rate cut could raise consumer confidence levels, which in turn might help lagging retail sales. But the reduction alone might not be enough to boost consumer faith in the economy. "This is one of the pieces in a vast array that can help consumer confidence," Johnson said.

The discount rate, the rate the Fed charges on loans to financial institutions is considered a symbolic tool of monetary policy that serves as the central bank's primary indicator of credit conditions.

But since the level of borrowing from Federal Reserve banks has been modest in recent months, relief form the discount rate cut might not be felt immediately by consumers, Johnson said.

The Fed said its action was taken "against the background of weakness in the economy, constraints on credit and slow growth in the monetary aggregates." "The reduction, in part, realigns the discount rate with market interest rates " the Fed said.

The Bush Administration has been urging the Fed to cut interest rates - a move Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan has resisted in part because of fears of heating inflation.

The cut came hours after the Labor Department reported that consumer prices rose 0.3 percent in November, an indication that inflation has eased somewhat from the overheated months following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. The White House welcomed the news.

"It should be helpful in promoting growth in the economy in the months ahead. This move appears justified by the budget agreement and the general slowdown," said White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater.

The Fed's action followed the regular meeting of its Federal Open Market Committee, which meets eight times a year to chart the course of monetary

policy.

The Fed last changed the discount rate Feb. 24, 1989, when it was increased to seven percent from 6.5 percent. The last time the discount rate was reduced was in August 1986, when it was trimmed to 5.5 percent from six percent.

As a prelude to the lowering of the discount rate, the Fed recently moved to lower the interest rates it charges on inter-bank loans. That decision was also seen as the Fed signaling its approval of the agreement on cutting the size of the federal budget deficit reached earlier this fall.

The discount rate cut was requested by the boards of directors of the Federal Reserve Banks of Boston, New York, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Kansas City, and Dallas. "This is a significant move," said Robert Dederick, chief economist at the Northern Trust Co. in Chicago.

The Fed's unanimous decision to lower the discount rate "will be a force pushing toward lower (interest) rates, and that should benefit consumers," Dederick said. "It won't do it by itself," he said. "If not accompanied by a move in the Federal funds rate, it won't mean anything." The Fed has eased its Federal funds rate three times in recent months.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Tuesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	131,976,000
Advances	1,059
Declines	899
Unchanged	2,229
Total	4,187

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - The Federal Reserve's decision to slash the nation's discount rate by one-half percentage point propelled stocks broadly higher Tuesday as investors went on a late buying binge on the New York Stock Exchange.

The blue-chip Dow Jones industrial average, which slipped 0.49 points Monday, catapulted 33.41 points or 1.29 percent to 2626.73.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index climbed 1.97 to 180.19 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index gained 4.03 to 330.05. The price of an average share gained 34 cents.

Advances overpowered declines 971-581 among the 2,020 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to about 176,460,000 shares, compared with only 118,560,000 traded Monday.

About 30 minutes before the market closed, the Federal Reserve Board said it was slashing its key discount rate to 6.5 percent from seven percent effective Wednesday, in what market watchers said was an effort to bolster the nation's sagging economy. The move boosted stocks and volume as investors speculated that other interest rates would fall as a result of the Fed's decision, analysts said.

The discount rate, the rate the Federal Reserve charges on loans to financial institutions, is considered a symbolic tool of monetary policy that serves as the central bank's primary indicator of credit conditions. The Fed last changed the discount rate Feb. 24, 1989, when it was increased to seven percent from 6.5 percent.

The Fed said the action was taken "against the background of weakness in the econmy, constraints on credit, and slow growth in the monetary aggregates." "The reduction, in part, realigns the discount rate with market interest rates " the Fed statement said.

Trude Latimer, market analyst with Jesup, Josephthal & Co. in New York said the Fed's move "lifted investors spirits into the holiday mood." The speculation about interest rates surfaced "following the Labor Department report showing inflation at the retail level eased last month" Latimer said, as consumer prices rose 0.3 percent after gaining 0.6 percent in October.

The increase in the CPI was in line with the anticipation of several economists who expected lower oil prices to bring overall prices down. After gaining an average of 0.7 percent for the three months ended in October, November's increase reflected a "sharp deterioration" in energy prices, the government said.

Analysts said there had been some apprehension among professional investors that consumer prices would show the surprising strength that producer prices for the month did last week.

Last Friday the Labor Department reported inflation at the producer level rose 0.5 percent in November after posting three consecutive advances of more than one percent. Economists had expected prices to rise 0.1 percent.

That greater-than-expected jump in the PPI spooked investors and sent stocks skidding on worries whether the Federal Reserve would still be able lower interest rates to help pump up the faltering economy. Latimer explained that "relief that the CPI came in as expected allowed the market to resume the upward momentum on which it closed late Monday."

Market watchers said evidence of slowing inflation made it easier for the Federal Reserve's policy-making Open Market Committee to ease credit conditions. Latimer said she expected "activity to pickup by Friday, when the next quarterly Tripe Witching hour occurs."

The triple witching period refers to the expiration of contracts covering stocks index futures, options on such futures and options on individual stocks. While such expirations take place each month, the biggest ones by far come on the third Friday of the final month of each quarter, when the Standard & Poor's 500-stock Index expire.

On the trading floor, Citicorp paced the actives, gaining 3/4 to 14 1/8 after announcing it expects a loss in the fourth quarter and plans to reduce its dividend and expand its staff cuts to 8,000 jobs.

Manufacturers Hanover was the second most active, surging 1 7/8 to 20 7/8. Other banking stocks also gained sharply.

AT&T was the third most active issue, gaining 3/4 to 31 3/8. The nation's most widely held company launched a proxy fight against NCR after the company rejected AT&T's $90 a share, or $6.12 billion, hostile takeover bid. Meanwhile NCR eased 1/2 to 87 1/4 after its chairman told an Ohio State Senate Committee that NCR "is not for sale to AT&T or anyone else."

Elsewhere, Merrill Lynch & Co., the nation's largest brokerage firm, gained 1/2 to 22 1/2. The brokerge firm said it was raising by five percent the commission rates it charges individuals to buy or sell stocks on any order over $5,000.

Among some of the blue-chips, IBM remained unchanged at 113 1/8, General Motors gained 1 1/4 to 35 1/8, and General Electric climbed 1 3/8 to 56 3/4.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 214,556,130 shares, compared with 152,764,610 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices closed higher in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index gained 1.04 to 305.03. Advances topped declines 284-283 among the 839 issues traded. The price of an average share gained three cents. Volume totaled 11,960,000 shares vs. 10,200,000 traded Monday. Composite volume totaled 14,798,300 shares vs. 12,698,900 traded Monday. Jan Bell Marketing paced the actives, easing 1/8 to 7 3/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index climbed 4.43 to 370.15.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	370.24	365.69	370.17	up	4.45
Industrial	400.81	396.48	400.77	up	4.93
Finance	359.05	354.97	359.05	up	2.82
Insurance	453.84	448.59	452.52	up	3.11
Utility	476.17	465.59	476.13	up	9.03
Bank	255.53	252.06	255.53	up	2.71
Transport	413.98	408.87	413.54	upf	5.93

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	163.47	up	2.06
Industrial Index	160.12	up	2.09
NASDAQ-100 Index	398.53	up	8.42

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share 8.30 up 0.10

Volume	103,624,704 shares
Advances	900
Declines	708
Unchanged	1,162
Total	2,770

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net	Chg.
Composite	180.19	178.58	180.19	up	1.97
Industrial	222.59	220.93	222.59	up	2.15
Transport	141.09	139.68	141.09	up	1.61
Utility	92.17	91.28	92.17	up	0.97
Finance	122.32	120.08	122.32	up	2.53

Equivalent to a gain of 34 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 176,460,000 shares.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS
Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Tuesday	Monday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.34	7.44	8.44
91-day Treasury bills	6.82	7.01	7.68
182-day Treasury bills	6.92	7.07	7.49
1-year Treasury bills	6.90	7.06	7.21
3-year Treasury notes	7.27	7.42	7.73
7-year Treasury notes	7.81	7.94	7.81
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.10	8.18	7.85
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.50	8.55	8.64
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.45	9.55	9.08
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.64	8.64	8.75
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.83	8.91	8.84
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.05	9.11	9.08
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.03	9.09	9.06

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Tuesday	Monday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	22.80-22.90	22.45-22.50
North Sea Brent	27.40-27.50	27.10-27.20
West Texas Intermed	27.00-27.05	27.05-27.10
Light Louisiana Sweet	27.95-28.00	28.00-28.10
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	66.05-66.20	65.70-65.85
No. 2 Heating oil	75.55-75.75	74.75-75.00
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	63.50-63.60	63.05-63.20

No. 2 Heating oil	72.60-72.75	71.85-72.05

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URBANA, IL (DEC. 18) UPI - The offer of agricultural export credit guarantees to the Soviet Union by the Bush administration is not likely to have a dramatic positive effect on grain and soybean prices, a University of Illinois Cooperative Extension Service marketing specialist says.

"For the most part, those in the grain industry were disappointed with the magnitude of export credits being extended to the USSR in the $500 million to $1 billion range," specialist Darrell Good said Tuesday. "Expectations were for a package of $1.5 billion to $2 billion, and there were earlier reports the USSR would ask for $3.5 billion in credit."

Corn and soybean prices turned sharply lower after the announcement. Good said corn and soybean prices typically remain relatively stable during the winter months and that pattern is expected again this year.

The potential exists for additional trade concessions for the USSR as the marketing year develops. An improvement in the export pace, a high rate of domestic use, and weather uncertainties are expected to result in modest price improvements by spring, Good said.

"If current premiums for next year's corn and soybean crops are maintained, a spring rally would offer good forward pricing opportunities for those crops," he said.

The credits to the USSR were made possible Dec. 12 when President Bush announced a six-month waiver of the Jackson-Vanik amendment. He also indicated that the Soviet Union may gain most-favored-nation trade status if it changes its emigration policies.

"The decision to extend export credits was in response to threats of food shortages in the USSR this winter and in response to a slow export pace for U.S. grain," Good said. "Under terms of the long-term trade agreement the Soviets are still required to buy 600,000 tons of U.S. corn and 1.2 million tons of U.S. wheat by the end of December.

Details of the export credit program are expected to be negotiated by the end of the month with commodities probably shipped within two months after an agreement is reached.

"The relatively small credit allotment fueled concerns that corn exports would not reach the USDA's projection of 2.025 billion bushels, which is down 14 percent from exports of a year ago," Good said. "After 14 weeks of the 1990-91 marketing year, corn exports are 36 percent smaller than a year ago and total

export commitments are down nearly 42 percent."

The USDA revised its soybean export projection to 590 million bushels, 20 million below last month's projection and 33 million bushels below last year's exports. Exports are currently running 26 percent less than last year and commitments are off 16 percent.

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OTTAWA (DEC. 18) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis must be viewed as a test case for maintaining world order and solving future conflicts rather than a unilateral move by the United States to protect its oil interests, the head of the prestigious Canadian Institute on Peace and Security said Tuesday.

''The United States was the only power which was ready, willing and able to step in rapidly and forcefully to ensure ... that the international community would stand firm against military agression,'' Institute director Bernard Wood told reporters.

The government-funded think tank, which focuses on international issues of peace and defense, said critics should ignore the history of unilateral American interventions and consider the U.S. administration's multilateral approach to resolving the gulf crisis.

Wood also rejected that oil, rather than world order, precipitated the U.S. response to the crisis. He said the crisis was neither disqualified nor diminished as a test of international order because of the ''perceived threat to the energy jugular'' of the industrialized and developing worlds.

The international community responded with ''remarkable skill and unity of purpose'' to the gulf crisis, Wood said, adding that there would soon be other such tests, though of lesser economic or strategic interest to the major world powers.

''If the new international security structure fails to respond with equal vigor and even-handedness ... the world will be plunged backward,'' Wood said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Tuesday was 459.07, up 1.24 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - The nation's home-heating oil inventories declined slightly last week and gasoline supplies rose in keeping with normal seasonal trends for this time of year, the American Petroleum Institute reported Tuesday. In the week ended Dec. 14, U.S. crude oil inventories increased and the nation's refineries stepped up operations, the oil industry trade group said.

Supplies of distillate, used primarily for home-heating oil and diesel fuel, moved down to 132.6 million barrels last week from 133.4 million barrels the week before and remained substantially above the 116.2 million barrels in storage in the same week last year.

Distillate production held steady at 2.9 million barrels a day, unchanged from the previous week but below the year-ago rate of 2.9 million barrels a day.

Distillate imports dropped to 162,000 barrels a day from 181,000 barrels a day in the prior week and 454,000 barrels a day in the corresponding 1989 week.

Gasoline stocks inched up to 224.6 million barrels from 221.7 million barrels the week before and almost matched the 226.5 million barrels on hand a year ago. Gasoline production slipped to 6.8 million barrels a day from 7.2 million barrels daily a week earlier and a year earlier.

Gasoline imports picked up to 474,000 barrels a day from 312,000 barrels a day in the preceding week and 361,000 barrels a day in the same week last year.

Crude inventories climbed to 341.5 million barrels from 332.1 million barrels in the prior week and nearly matched the 347.8 million barrels in storage at this time last year.

U.S. refineries operated at 83.8 percent of capapcity, up from 83 percent a week ago but substantially below the 89.2 percent rate recorded in the corresponding 1989 week.

Crude oil imports moved up to 5.1 million barrels a day from 4.7 million barrels a day in the previous week but trailed the year-ago rate of 6.4 million barrels a day.

Imports of petroleum products rose to 2.1 million barrels a day from 1.7 million barrels a day the week before but fell short of the 2.3 million barrels a day reaching U.S. shores a year ago.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - President Bush, bracing for the possibility of

military action to force Iraq from Kuwait, reiterated Tuesday that any conflict in the Persian Gulf region will not become another Vietnam.

In opening remarks to a newsconference of regional editors, Bush said he favored a ''peaceful settlement'' to the crisis, but noted the fast approaching U.N.-mandated Jan. 15 deadline authorizing force to remove Iraq from Kuwait.

Bush said that he has ''looked into it enough to be totally confident to tell the American people tha this is not another Vietnam.''

He said his advisers have predicted ''all kinds of ranges on how quickly this guy (Iraqi President Saddam Hussein) would fold, but none that I know of are predicting anything like the long drawn out bitter experience of Vietnam.''

After years of indirect involvement, the United States committed combat troops in 1965 to battle communist forces in Vietnam. At its height in 1968, more than 540,000 U.S. soldiers were deployed in Southeast Asia. Before the final withdrawl of troops in 1973, more than 58,000 Americans had died.

Vietnam not only produced battlefield casualties, but also inflicted deep political and social wounds at home, creating some of the most bitter divisions in America since the Civil War.

''The agony of Vietnam is still with us,'' Bush said. ''People remember a protracted war. They remember a war where individuals were asked to fight with one hand tied behind their back in essence. This will not be, in my view, that kind of confrontation.''

The president said that he believed he has the support of the American people but it would erode if the United States got into a prolonged war in the gulf. ''I don't want war as an option. I want peace,'' Bush said.

Bush angrily took exception to reports that the main corps of the all-volunteer U.S. military is discriminatory because it is comprised of disadvantaged and minority youths.

''I reject that out of the whole cloth,'' Bush said. ''It's simply not true ... and I want to gun it down as hard as I can.''

The president said the army was made up of ''high achievers'' and ''I reject'' the argument of discrimination. ''It isn't some cop out in the armed services that they weren't aware of,'' Bush said.

As for asking Congress for a declaration of war, Bush said that he hopes ''I won't have to cross that bridge.'' He would not elaborate, saying it's impossible now to know if a declaration of war will be necessary.

At the Pentagon, spokeman Pete Williams said the U.S. forces in the Gulf region - which now total more than 270,000 - will be prepared to force Iraq out of Kuwait on Jan. 15.

He said the United States ''absolutely'' would be ready for offensive action on that day.

The U.S. troops now in the region are joined by about 220,000 allied forces, and the U.S. contingent is expected to grow to about 430,000 by mid January or early February.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - Ralph Nader urged upset Americans Tuesday to telephone Vice President Dan Quayle and urge him to refuse to accept an ''unconscionable'' $45,000 pay raise.

Standing outside the Quayle's office at the Old Executive Office Building, Nader read aloud the vice president's telephone number - ''that's 202-456-2326'' - and urged citizens to personally complain about the salary increase.

David Beckwith, Quayle's press secretary, laughed nervously when told of Nader's deed and also said, ''The vice president will keep the pay raise.''

A few hours later, Beckwith reported that the vice president's office had received ''a couple of dozen phone calls'' from citizens.

''We listened and thanked them and promised to pass their opinion on, '' he said.

Nader led an unsuccessful campaign last year to block a proposed pay hike for members of Congress and other federal workers.

Beckwith said, ''In Washington, you win some and you lose some and Nader lost this battle earlier on in Congress. There are those who are gracious about defeat - and Nader is not one of them.''

Nader, speaking before a half dozen reporters and photographers on Pennsylvania Avenue, a half block from the White House, went on the offensive Tuesday.

He argued that by refusing the pay raise, ''the vice president can move from the status of buffoon to the status of bravado.''

President Bush ordered the pay raise for Quayle last Wednesday as part of a new and elevated federal salary structure authorized by Congress last fall

over the objections of Nader and the American public.

The president's executive order authorized salary increases averaging 29 percent for the vice president, members of the House, the federal judiciary, Cabinet secretaries and top political appointees. He also ordered a 4.1 percent increase for all other civilian federal workers.

Effective Jan. 1, Quayle's salary will go to $160,600 from $115,000. Pay for members of Congress will climb to $125,100 from $89,500. Bush's salary will remain at $200,000.

Nader again called on Congress to roll back ''the unconscionable pay increases'' but aimed much of his fire at the vice president because, ''First ... he got the largest salary increase.''

''Second, he doesn't need it. He's a multi-millionaire. And third, he badly needs an opportunity to set an example for other politicians.''

Nader made a direct and pointed plea to Quayle in a two-page letter.

In it, he wrote, ''I urge you to do something that J. Danforth Quayle has never done in his career - take the lead and lead by example in announcing you will not take the nearly $45,000'' pay increase.

''And in making such an announcement, you can explain to the national media here in Washington, D.C., what tens of millions of citizens around the country have long understood - that government by hypocrisy is bad for democracy; that political leaders who make millions of people pay and pay and pay for the consequences of wasteful, inefficient, often corrupt government programs ... are leaders who have turned their back on the people.''

Minutes before Nader arrived for his sidewalk news conference, a half dozen of his staffers, many dressed in blue jeans and sneakers, paraded with placards reading, ''No pay raise for Quayle.''

They also chanted, ''One, two, three, four - Quayle deserves no more. ''

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.98	9.63
Anchor Fund Inv	14.28	15.15
Delaware Mutual	17.11	18.35
Fidelity Fund	16.58	16.58
Investor Mutual	11.30	11.89
Investor Stocks	18.53	19.51
Investor Select	8.53	8.98

IDS Equity Plus	9.02	9.50
MFS Growth Stk	8.88	9.57
Nicholas Income	3.09	3.09
Utd Accumulated	6.01	6.57
United Income	16.41	17.93
Vang Wellington	16.25	16.25

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(DEC. 18) UPI - A spokesman for the Utah Department of Public Safety says bad weather may be to blame for today's Interstate-80 collision between a Greyhound bus heading east and at least one semi-truck. Six people are reported dead and another 30 injured.

The president of Iran says it'll be Iraq's fault if war breaks out in the Persian Gulf. He says he'd hate to see Iraqis ''hurt by the Americans'' but that Iraq's invasion of Kuwait was ''an obscene act.''

Market watchers are waiting to see if interest rates fall, taking the lead of the Federal Reserve Board. The Fed today cut its discount rate by one-half of one percent to six-point-five percent, apparently to boost a sagging economy.

The American Automobile Association says drivers are getting a Christmas break at the gas pumps. Triple-A says the nationwide average price for self-service UNleaded fell more than one cent a gallon since Thanksgiving and is now at one-dollar 37-point-one cents a gallon.

A judge in New York today said he changed his mind and revoked the 300-thousand-dollar bail set for the accused killer of militant Rabbi Meir Kahane, saying evidence showed the Egyptian immigrant El Sayyid Nosair might flee.

The Tass news agency is quoting Soviet officials who deny the existence of any contract with a Houston company promoting a national sweepstakes offer to fly into space aboard a Soviet rocket. Other space officials in Moscow say bargaining was under way with an UNidentified American company, but they're NOT sure any deal was signed.

Former New York Mayor Ed Koch has a new souvenir... the rock someone threw at him and hit his head as he walked through Jerusalem's Old City. Koch was NOT seriously hurt and urged tourists NOT to be afraid to visit Israel.

The proposed site for the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame has been moved from a shopping mall in the heart of downtown Cleveland to a lakefront development called North Coast Harbor. Architect I-M Pei will adjust his original design and a spokesman says construction will begin late next year.

La Toya Jackson says she is en route to Saudi Arabia to join Bob Hope entertaining American troops for the holidays. Jackson's publicist says LaToya is the soldiers' ''favorite pinup... the last thing they see at night and the first thing in the morning.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Mike Tyson Tuesday predicted his March 18 fight against second-ranked Razor Ruddock will be easier than people think.

Tyson will risk his No. 1 heavyweight rating at the Mirage in Las Vegas, Nev., in the first bout of his new deal with Showtime Event Television, a pay-per-view arm of the Showtime cable network.

The choice of Ruddock as an opponent is surprising since the 12- rounder will be a non-title bout. As No. 1 contender, former champion Tyson is in line to meet the winner of the April 19 Evander Holyfield- George Foreman title fight.

Tyson could have fought a lightly regarded foe or he could have waited for his championship shot. But he said Ruddock is not much of a risk.

''He's a good fighter,'' Tyson said at a news conference. ''I saw him have some impressive performances. But the fight's not going to be as hard as everyone thinks it is. I feel extremely confident about winning. ''

Holyfield, who won the title Oct. 25 from Douglas, was among those surprised at Tyson's choice of opponent.

''I'm very surprised,'' Holyfield said. ''It's a big chance Tyson's taking. Ruddock's a formidable oppoent.''

Tyson improved to 39-1 with 35 knockouts with a first-round knockout of Alex Stewart Dec. 8 at Atlantic City, N.J. It was his second first- round knockout since losing his title to Buster Douglas in February. Ruddock, 25-1-1 with 18 knockouts, knocked out Mike Rouse in one round on the Tyson-Stewart undercard.

His most impressive victory was a fourth-round knockout of former champion Michael Dokes last April in Madison Square Garden.

Ruddock, a native of Jamaica, did not attend the news conference because he was in his hometown of Toronto trying to obtain a green card to lessen his tax burden in the United States.

Tyson was to defend his title against Ruddock last Nov. 18 in Edmonton, Alberta. However, he pulled out claiming a respiratory infection and took on Douglas instead three months later.

Ruddock's promoter Murad Muhammad filed a $76 million lawsuit against Tyson's promoter Don King seeking damages from the canceled bout. Muhammad said he would drop the lawsuit after March 18 if the Tyson- Ruddock fight comes off.

The Tyson-Ruddock bout will be the first of a joint venture between Showtime and King. The partnership will feature weekly and monthly bouts promoted by King, including at least three major pay-per-view bouts a year.

King said the deal will bring Tyson eight to 10 fights worth $120 million but those figures seem wildly optimistic. Showtime officials say they have exclusive rights to Tyson fights for two years, with the purse of each bout to be negotiated seperately.

All of Tyson's fights since he won the heavyweight championship in 1986 were televised on Showtime rival HBO.

Industry sources say Tyson will earn about $8 million and Ruddock $3 million for their bout. Mirage owner Steve Wynne paid a $4.8 million site fee.

If Ruddock wins, he will assume Tyson's deal with Showtime.

''When Razor Ruddock wins March 18, I have $120 million and I don't have to do nothing,'' said Muhammad, then borrowing a line from King. ''Only in America.''

King said he hopes to add title bouts involving IBF welterweight champion Simon Brown and junior welterweight champion Julio Cesar Chavez on the Tyson-Ruddock card.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - Tests show gasoline containing alcohol fuel additives can significantly reduce carbon monoxide and smog-forming emissions in car exhaust, auto and oil industry researchers said Tuesday.

The researchers, announcing the first preliminary data from a clean fuels study jointly sponsored by the two industries, said the potential air quality benefits of the gasoline additive MTBE - or methyl tertiary butyl ether, a derivative of methanol - were clearly demonstrated when tested in both new and old cars.

Adding 15 percent MTBE to gasoline reduced smog-causing hydrocarbons in tailpipe exhaust by five percent from 1989 model-year cars and seven percent from cars dating from 1983 through 1985. MTBE also reduced carbon monoxide pollution by more than ten percent from both sets of cars.

However, researchers with Mobil Oil Corp. and General Motors said it was not a sure bet that MTBE-related reductions would translate into cleaner air in

smoggy cities. They said further research was needed to determine if MTBE produced other smog-causing contaminants that might offset the hydrocarbon cuts. "MTBE looks like a promising thing, but we want to get more results," said John Wise, of the Mobil Research and Development Corp.

MTBE and a similar additive, ETBE, which is made from corn-based ethanol, are likely ingredients for the cleaner-burning "reformulated" gasolines that were required under the clean air bill passed by Congress this year.

With motor vehicles estimated to contribute 25 percent of the emissions that cause smog, lawmakers required the oil companies to develop and begin selling the new fuel blends in the nation's smoggiest cities by 1995.

Oil industry officials have complained that Congress imposed those requirements without any solid scientific data on the cost or feasibility of achieving substantial emission reductions through cleaner-burning motor fuels.

While MTBE looks like a winner, the researchers said they got mixed results when they evaluated the potential environmental benefits to be gained from making other changes in the chemical composition of gasoline. For example, they said:

- Reducing the aromatic content of gasoline, which hurts octane ratings, resulted in lower carbon monoxide and smog-causing hydrocarbon emissions from 1989 model vehicles. But the same change increased hydrocarbon pollution from older vehicles dating from 1983 through 1985.

- Reducing the boiling range of gasoline from 360 degrees Fahrenheit to 280 degrees sharply cut hydrocarbons from 1989 cars, but raised their nitrogen oxide emissions, which also are linked to the formation of smog. For the older cars, that change slightly reduced hydrocarbon emissions while markedly increasing carbon monoxide output.

- Cutting olefins, a natural constituent of gasoline, lowered smog-related nitrogen oxide pollution from both new and old cars, but raised hydrocarbon emissions from both as well.

"The initial findings reveal that gasoline composition changes can favorably impact vehicle exhaust emissions, but they are not equally effective in all vehicles," said Joseph Colucci, of General Motors Research Laboratories. "This illustrates the complexity of the problem being tackled by this program."

The first results from the Auto-Oil Air Quality Improvement Research Program tested 16 different blends of reformulated gasoline in 34 vehicles, including 20 1989 models and 14 dating from the early 1980s. The researchers said they planned to release initial results from testing of methanol-gasoline blends early next year.

Environmentalists maintain blends such as M-85, a combination of 85 percent methanol and 15 percent gasoline, can achieve much greater pollution reduction than reformulated gasolines. They charge automakers and oil companies oppose introduction of those alternatives for cost reasons.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - Environmental groups urged the Bush administration Tuesday to include tough energy efficiency standards and the development of renewable fuels in its National Energy Strategy, which is expected to be released next month.

But the 16 organizations, joined by Sen. Timothy Wirth, D-Colo., feared that President Bush, a former oil developer, would exploit the Persian Gulf crisis to bolster oil exploration in environmentally sensitive areas in Alaska. "We need a strategy representing long-term vision rather than a short-term response to the current crisis," Wirth said.

At the same time, Wirth and members of the groups, including the Wilderness Society and the Natural Resources Defense Council, used the gulf crisis to argue for conservation and fuel effeciency measures that would diminish the nation's reliance on foreign oil.

In a letter to Bush last week, released Tuesday, the organizations said the United States should adopt measures that would decrease energy costs, promote energy independence and slow the effects of global warming, which is caused by the emission of industrial and automobile pollutants that are trapped in the atmosphere.

The groups proposed reducing by 20 percent oil imports within ten years. They also called for increasing fuel efficiency standards in new light vehicles by 60 percent within a decade, doubling the federal tax credit on research and development for renewable fuels and cutting energy consumption in buildings and homes by adopting tougher building codes and using existing insulation tools.

Representatives of these groups were unable to calculate the costs of these measures, which would fall disproportionately on industry and automobile manufacturers. "I think ultimately it is going to save the American consumer money," Wirth said.

Dan Lashof, a scientist with the Natural Resources Defense Council, was more direct. "I think we've learned that what's good for the United States is good for (General Motors) and not the other way around," he said.

Failure to adopt these measures, they warned Bush in the letter, would "seriously weaken (the National Energy Strategy) and subject it to criticism

from the conservation and environmental movement."

But the criticism began in earnest Tuesday, when former Sen. Gaylord Nelson, D-Wis., counselor to the Wilderness Society, said he "Fully expect(s) that the president will use the Persian Gulf confrontation as an excuse to call for the exploration and development of some of the rarest and most fragile of our nation's vanishing wildlands." Nelson said Bush had already endorsed legislation that would open the coastal plain of the Alaska Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil exploration.

The organizations were equally critical of nuclear power, which they called wasteful, unsafe and inefficient. "A policy based on a nuclear revival will threaten our safety," said Brooks Yeager, of the National Audubon Society.

The negative comments of these individuals seemed alsmost certain to presage a conflict between environmentalists and the White House, which in the past has favored a heavier reliance on nuclear power and oil.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 18) UPI - Taking a "long-range view" of prospects for the global oil business, Amoco Corp. said Tuesday it set a 1991 capital and exploration budget of $4.35 billion, up ten percent from the current year's budget. The 1991 budget also represents an 18 percent increase over the $3.7 billion the company estimates it will actually spend in 1990.

Chairman Richard M. Morrow said Amoco set its 1991 spending plans "based on our long-range view of the world oil business, rather than current oil prices. I cannot remember a time when the short-term price outlook was more uncertain, with prices fluctuating wildly depending on developments in the Middle East," said Morrow. "For our planning purposes, we based our budget on oil prices in the low-$20 range for next year."

A significant increase is planned for overseas exploration and production activities, he said, with 1991 spending forecast at 28 percent more than estimated 1990 outlays.

Worldwide exploration and production spending is expected to be up 11 percent compared to 1990, with about two-thirds of 1991 expenditures allocated for overseas and Canadian projects.

The Amoco chairman said capital spending for environmental projects would increase by about 150 percent to $350 million in 1991, mostly for projects required by existing regulations. Morrow said Amoco would continue to remain flexible in its capital spending next year as a result of the many uncertainties in world oil markets.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock Split				
AST Research Inc - 2-for-1				
Fabri-Centers of America - 3-for-2				
Sphinx Mining Inc - 5-for-1				
Proposed Stock Split				
Multimedia Inc - 3-for-1				
Special				
Bunker Hill Incm Scrts	..	.13	1-11	12-28
Hickok Elec Instrum A	..	.15	1-25	1-5
Zeigler Co	..	.25	1-18	1-4
Increased				
Fst Commercial Bcshrs	Q	.17	1-7	12-27
Franklin Resources	Q	.11 1/2	1-15	12-31
McCormick & Co	Q	.13	1-18	12-28
Metropolitan Financial	Q	.12 1/2	1-31	1-15
Upjohn Co	Q	.29	2-1	1-8
Resumed				
Xplor Corp	Q	.07 1/2	1-14	12-29
Reduced				
HRE Properties	Q	.35	1-22	1-4
Distribution				
Irish Investment Fd	A	.33	1-16	12-31
Salomon Bros IFI	..	.31	12-27	12-18
Thai Fund Inc	..	.21	1-30	12-31
Usual				
Amer Building MII	Q	.23 1/2	2-5	1-15
Amer Stores Co	Q	.28	1-14	1-3
Apco Argentina Inc	Q	.26	1-11	12-28
Baldwin Technology A	..	.03	1-14	12-31
Baldwin Technology B	..	.0285	1-14	12-31
Baltek Corp	S	.07 1/2	1-18	1-11
Bell Atlantic Corp	Q	.59	2-1	1-10
Bunker Hill Incm Scrts	..	.41	1-11	12-28
Cumberland Fedl Bncp	Q	.12	2-1	1-8
Firstfed Mich Corp	..	.15	2-15	1-12

First Home Svgs	Q	.10	1-31	1-16
Flexible Bond Trust	..	.18 1/4	1-11	12-28
Gillette Co	Q	.27	3-5	2-1
Hydraulic Co	Q	.40	1-30	1-10
Independent Bank Corp	Q	.11	1-31	1-5
Manufacturers Hanover	Q	.82	1-25	1-2
Natl Banc Commerce Co	..	.12	1-7	12-27
Natl Health Lab	..	.06	1-28	1-7
Old Stone Corp	Q	.20	2-4	1-14
Park Electrochemical	Q	.08	2-12	1-14
Public Svce Co Colo	Q	.50	2-1	1-11
Salomon Bros IFI	..	.09	12-27	12-18
Topps Co	Q	.05	2-1	1-18
Transcisco Indus cl-A	Q	.07 1/2	1-22	12-29
Transcisco Indus cl-B	Q	.02 1/2	1-22	12-29
Shared Medical Sys	Q	.21	1-15	12-31
United Dominion RT	Q	.31	1-31	1-11
Zeigler Co	Q	.13	1-18	1-4

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - The State Department said Tuesday that one of its employees was arrested last week for allegedly selling passports to members of a Jamaican-based gang who federal prosecutors said sold drugs in the United States and may be responsible for 10 killings.

The State Department said that Kenneth Weatherspoon, who had worked in the Passport Office in New York, allegedly sold passports to members of the so-called ''Gulleymen,'' a armed gang that moved violently into the drug trade in the United States.

State Department investigators said that Weatherspoon, allegedly in conspiracy with gang leaders, approved U.S. passports to 35 fradulent applicants.

Weatherspoon was a passport examiner beginning in 1984. He faces a maximum of five years in prison for passport fraud if convicted.

According to federal indictments handed up last week, the gang sold substantial quantities of heroin, crack, cocaine and marijuana in New York, Washington and Dallas. Prosecutors said the gang was responsible for at least 10 slayings in the United States.

The gang took its name from an area in the slums of Kingston, Jamaica, where guns and ammunition were readily available.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) UPI - A federal study to be released by President Bush on Wednesday shows a decline for the first time in the number of frequent cocaine users in the United States, sources said Tuesday.

Government sources also said that the survey by the National Institute on Drug Abuse found that overall drug use continues to fall as it has done so since 1985.

The figures will likely be used by Bush to buttress his contention that although it is premature to declare victory in the war on drugs, progress is being made.

Numerous big cities, however, continue to experience a rise in drug- related homicides. Police say many of the murders can be traced to battles between rival narcotic gangs.

Regardless, a federal source said the new study ''confirms the trend we've noticed in reports from hospitals and medical examiners. In most metropolitan areas, drug use is no longer spiraling out of control. It's beginning to ebb.''

''The big news is that frequent use of cocaine is down,'' the source said. Frequent use is defined as consuming cocaine more than once a week.

Sources declined to release specific figures in the new National Household Survey on Drug Abuse, but said they show a decline in both frequent cocaine use and overall casual drug use.

Previous NIDA studies found that from 1985 to 1988, the number of frequent cocaine users climbed from 647,000 to 862,000, and the number of casual drug users dropped from 23 million to 14.5 million.

Bush's national anti-drug strategy, now completing its second year, devotes about two-thirds of its $10 billion budget on law enforcement and interdiction. The remaining funds to go treatment and education.

In response to critics, the administration is expected to devote more resources to education and treatment in its revised strategy, which will be submitted to Congress in February.

William Bennett, as the first director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, authored the comprehensive strategy. He resigned last month and Bush has recommended outgoing Florida Gov. Bob Martinez as his successor.

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MOUNT VERNON, Mo. (DEC. 18) UPI - A group of religious activists Tuesday went to the hospital where a severely brain damaged woman is being allowed to die, but were arrested before they could enter her room in an attempt to force-feed her, hospital officials said.

Eleven of the protesters reached the second-floor unit of the Missouri Rehabilitation Center where Nancy Cruzan's room is located, hospital officials said. Security guards and police kept the protesters from entering the woman's room.

Cruzan's parents last week won a court order allowing them to remove the feeding tube that has kept her alive in a permanent vegetative state for nearly eight years. The tube was removed from Cruzan during the weekend and doctors said she would die within two weeks.

Sheriff's deputies arrested 11 women and eight men after the hospital's director complained that they were blocking fire exits and hallways, and disrupting the operations of the hospital, said Lawrence County Sheriff David Tatum.

''They were given an opportunity to vacate the premises or move into the chapel, and they refused,'' Tatum said. ''They were very peaceful, but we had to physically remove them. We used wheelchairs that were in the hospital.

''They were very cooperative outside of the fact that they didn't want to get up and walk.''

Tatum said those arrested were taken to the Lawrence County jail in Mount Vernon, where they were booked on misdemeanor charges of first- degree trespassing and unlawful assembly.

Bond was set at $500 for each of those arrested, the sheriff said.

''They apparently are refusing the bond, so we'll just see what happens,'' he said.

Other protesters who agreed to move into the hospital's chapel for a prayer vigil were not arrested, Tatum said.

Some of the protesters told hospital officials and police that two more busloads of demonstrators were en route to Mount Vernon, but that could not be confirmed, said .

Barbara Shoun, director of public relations for the hospital, described the protesters as ''peaceful, concerned people,'' but said they were not welcome inside the hospital unless they remained in the chapel.

Cruzan has been in a permanent vegetative state since a 1983 automobile accident. Her surgically implanted feeding tube, which had supplied her with food and water, was removed Saturday, one day after a Jasper County judge granted her family's request. Cruzan's condition was unchanged Tuesday, Shoun said.

About 35 demonstrators held a candlelight vigil outside the hospital Monday night, Shoun said. She said the protesters, who were opposed to the family's decision, stood in front of the hospital for more than an hour.

Protest organizer, the Rev. Joseph Foreman, had issued a statement saying, ''We are making an attempt to stand in solidarity with Nancy Cruzan, that if you reject her, you reject us. We are fasting and taking her name, and, if booked, we are calling ourselves 'Nancy Cruzan.'

''Ironic as it might sound, although Nancy Cruzan has been denied food and water ... and is left starving to death and dying of thirst while her family and the medical community looks on,'' Foreman's statement said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - Heavyweight champion Evander Holyfield and four Congressmen called for a federal investigation into boxing Tuesday and said they want a national commission to govern the sport.

''Normally, when Congress says it wants to help, people head for the exits,'' Rep. Thomas Downey of New York said. ''But if there's one group held in lower esteem than Congress, it has to be professional boxing.''

Downey was joined at a news conference by three other Democratic Congressmen - Jose Serrano and Edolphus Towns of New York and Representative-elect Jim Moran of Virginia.

Holyfield and his promoter, Dan Duva, began calling for the investigation last month when the World Boxing Council in Mexico considered stripping his title because he chose to next fight George Foreman instead of Mike Tyson.

Holyfield, who will earn $20 million against Foreman April 19, said he was also concerned about helping less fortunate boxers.

''Yes, I did make it,'' Holyfield said. ''But I'm concerned with the other people coming up who did not make it. There are a lot of fighters who work hard and train hard and some day end up with no money at all because somebody had taken advantage of them.''

Holyfield said he would like to see boxers earn title shots on merit rather than through connections with powerful promoters. Duva, one of the sport's top

promoters, called for measures to regulate boxing and establish uniform rules and health standards.

''As long as I have been in boxing I have been a proponent of a national boxing commission,'' Duva said.

Boxing has been investigated in Congress in recent years, with no action taken. The Congressman at the news conference expressed confidence there will be hearings in the House as early as the spring, but refused to predict any tangible results.

Downey, who said professional boxing is driven by ''arrogance, ingnorance, inertia and greed,'' called a federal commission, ''a long shot, a very long shot.''

''There's been some hearings before, but never any actions,'' he said.

Moran, a former amateur boxer, said: ''We have an obligation to protect professional prizefighters from exploitation and greed. There is no question Congress should look into this problem without delay.''

The Congressmen said there was bipartisan support for investigating boxing. Newt Gingrich, a Republican representative from Holyfield's home state of Georgia, has informed the champion of his support.

Nobody at the news conference offered any concrete suggestions for improvement however. There was no sense of alarm that Holyfield and Duva are allowing a 43-year-old overweight fighter to battle for the heavyweight champions, either.

''He's being well rewarded,'' Moran said of Foreman, who will earn $12 million for his challenge. ''And he's in much better shape than many yuppies today.''

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Team-by-team look at the NFL playoff situation of each contender:

AFC East

Buffalo (12-2) clinched playoff berth and can win division title and home field throughout playoffs with victory Sunday against Miami. If Bills lose, they can win division title with season-ending victory over Washington if Miami loses last game to Indianapolis.

Miami (11-3) clinched playoff berth and can clinch division title by winning last two games.

Indianapolis (6-8) can win wild-card berth by winning final two games against Washington and Miami if Cincinnati, Pittsburgh and Seattle all lose twice.

AFC Central

Houston (8-6) wins division title by defeating Cincinnati and Pittsburgh in last two games. Oilers clinch wild-card berth with victory Sunday over Cincinnati plus Seattle loss to Denver.

Pittsburgh (8-6) wins division title by defeating Cleveland and Houston in final two games. Steelers clinch wild-card berth with victory Sunday over Cleveland plus losses by Seattle and Cincinnati.

Cincinnati (7-7) wins division title with victories over Houston and Cleveland in final two games plus a Pittsburgh loss. Bengals are eliminated if they lose to Houston and Pittsburgh wins.

AFC West

Los Angeles (10-4) clinched a playoff berth and will win division with combination of two victories and Kansas City losses. Raiders finish against Minnesota and San Diego.

Kansas City (9-5) clinches playoffs with victory against either San Diego or Chicago and Chiefs win division if they finished tied with Los Angeles.

Seattle (7-7) earns wild-card spot with victories over Denver and Detroit plus one loss by Cincinnati, Pittsburgh loss to Cleveland or two Kansas City losses.

NFC East

New York (11-3) clinched division title and can clinch first-round bye with victory over Phoenix Sunday.

Washington (9-5) clinched wild-card berth. Redskins play home in wild-card game if they defeat Indianapolis and Buffalo or Philadelphia loses once.

Philadelphia (8-6) clinched wild-card berth. Eagles need victories over Dallas and Phoenix and one Washington loss to play home in wild- card game.

Dallas (7-7) clinches wild-card spot with victories over Philadelphia and Atlanta. Cowboys win wild card with victory over Philadelphia Sunday if Green Bay loses.

Phoenix (5-9) earns wild-card berth with victories over Giants and Eagles if Dallas, Green Bay, Minnesota, Tampa Bay and New Orleans all lose last two games.

NFC Central

Chicago (10-4) clinched division title. Bears need victories over Tampa Bay and Kansas City plus Giants loss to Phoenix to gain first- round bye.

Green Bay (6-8) wins wild-card berth with victories over Detroit and Denver, and two losses by Dallas and one by Tampa Bay.

Minnesota (6-8) wins wild-card spot with victories over the Raiders and San Francisco plus two losses by Dallas and one each by Green Bay and Tampa Bay.

Tampa Bay (6-8) wins wild-card spot with victories over Chicago and New York Jets, plus two losses by Dallas and one by New Orleans.

NFC West

San Francisco (13-1) clinched division title and home field throughout playoffs.

New Orleans (6-8) clinches wild-card berth with victories over 49ers and Rams, plus two losses by Dallas and one each by Green Bay, Minnesota and Tampa Bay.

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MIAMI (DEC. 18) UPI - The Office of Thrift Supervision filed a motion Tuesday requesting that David L. Paul, former chief executive officer of CenTrust Bank be held in civil contempt for failing to comply with a temporary cease and desist action against him.

In its original action filed Oct. 22, OTS sought to ban Paul from the banking industry and force him to pay restitution of nearly $31 million it said he had looted from CenTrust and had squandered. Paul was ordered earlier this month to comply with the OTS cease and desist order, but has failed to do so, the OTS request said.

The OTS charged that Paul has made no effort to provide any portion of the security required by the temporary cease and desist order and has not posted a bond.

The agency also said Paul has produced no meaningful accounting of his assets and has failed to supply certified financial statements as required in the OTS and court orders.

The contempt order filed by the Justice Department on behalf of OTS asked the court to require Paul to show cause why he should not be ''adjudged in contempt of this court.''

It also asked that the court order Paul to submit a sworn deposition by Dec. 28 so the OTS can identify and locate assets in which Paul or members of his immediate family have an interest.

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BOSTON (DEC. 18) UPI - Massachusetts Gov. Michael S. Dukakis Tuesday signed legislation allowing people to name ''medical proxies'' who would have the power to make crucial medical decisions for them in the event of incapacitating illness or injury.

The measure is designed to help doctors and the families of terminally ill or injured patients determine whether to carry on life- sustaining treatment.

''This is meeting an incredible need,'' Dukakis told an audience of predominently elderly people who attended the signing ceremoney at the Statehouse.

Dukakis said he intended to designate two such proxies for himself.

The ceremony was attended by Patricia Brophy, who fought a lengthy legal battle before winning permission from the state Supreme Judicial Court in 1988 to discontinue life-sustaining treatment for her firefighter husband, Paul, who doctors said was in a ''persistently vegetative state.''

''With the rapid advances in medical technology today it is possible for thousands of people to live longer, healthier, more productive lives,'' Brophy said. ''However, it is also possible to prolong people's deaths by artificial means - to keep them in a hopeless state with no chance of recovery.''

''I asked permission for treatment to be stopped,'' she said. ''The reply was, 'No,' - no discussion, case closed. It was frustrating and humiliating to have people I have never seen before telling me what was in the best interest of Paul Brophy, the man I love and have been married to for 25 years.''

The proxy forms will be made available through the Executive Office of Elder Affairs. Those designated as proxies must be named in writing and in the presence of two witnesses.

''We want the choices that physicians and others make about our lives to be consistent with our own personal values and beliefs,'' said Elder Affairs Secretary Paul Lanzikos. ''This is a practical, easy-to-use legal method by which a person's most significant wishes can be followed.''

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BOGOTA (DEC. 18) UPI - A major Colombian drug figure surrendered to government authorities Tuesday to avoid extradition to the United States where he faces drug trafficking charges, his family said.

Fabio Ochoa, 33, was a high-ranking member of Colombia's infamous Medellin drug cartel, headed by former Colombian legislator Pablo Escobar Gaviria. Ochoa's brothers, Jorge and Juan David, also belong to the drug cartel.

''I have turned myself in as a gesture that I hope will lead to the betterment of Colombia,'' Ochoa said in a statement.

His family said Ochoa turned himself in to authorities under a new measure that reduces jail sentences and protects suspects from extradition to the United States.

''My brother wants to be judged by (Colombian) justice because he believes in it'', said one of Ochoa's sisters.

Ochoa, the youngest Ochoa brother, is wanted in Louisiana and Florida on charges of drug trafficking and hiring a hit man. Ochoa is accused by federal authorities of participating in the slaying of Berry Seal, a U. S. Drug Enforcement Agency informant.

Ochoa is the cartel's first kingpin to turn himself over to Colombian authorities. He was taken by authorities to an undisclosed location for security reasons.

Ochoa's surrender was filmed by a group of professional cameramen to provide national and foreign press members who did not see the event, his sister said.

Ochoa turned himself in to a Criminal Instruction Department official who traveled to a farm in the Caldas municipality, on the outskirts of Medellin, about 160 miles northeast of Bogota, to meet with the suspected drug trafficker.

Martha Hurtado, regional director of Criminal Instruction, and a judge met with Ochoa at the farm, the sister said.

The case against Ochoa will begin after U.S. authorities send the evidence needed to convict him for allegedly being the ''King'' of cocaine in Colombia and drug trafficking. The evidence is expected to arrive in Colombia within 12 months.

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GALVESTON, Texas (DEC. 18) UPI - State district jurors planned Wednesday to enter their second day of deliberations on whether Marathon Petroleum Co.

should pay as much as $100 million in punitive damages for a 1987 acid spill.

The jury heard seven weeks of testimony about the October 1987 hydrofluoric acid spill that sent thousands fleeing their homes near Marathon's Texas City plant.

Jurors adjourned for the day late Tuesday without having reached a verdict, court officials said.

The panel of seven women and five men is considering whether Marathon or Westheimer Rigging and Heavy Hauling Inc. of Houston, or both, were negligent in their use of a crane to dismantle a chemical plant structure.

A crane operated by a Westheimer employee toppled, and the equipment it was lifting punctured a pressurized hydrofluoric acid storage tank.

About 1,000 people sought treatment at hospitals and another 3,000 reported health problems or property damage resulting from the caustic chemical spill.

Attorneys for accident victims claim Marathon was negligent. But attorneys for Marathon say many of the injuries were exaggerated and the case was pushed into court by attorneys hoping to dip into the company's corporate pockets.

John Boswell and A. Lee McLain represent almost 600 people who have filed lawsuits, and the jury heard evidence relating to 14 of those people. The outcome of the current case is expected to influence whether other cases go to trial or are settled out of court.

''You have to make this award huge enough to get their attention ... It's got to be large enough that no other oil or chemical company will ever do the things Marathon did,'' Boswell told jurors Monday in the courtroom of state District Judge Paul Ferguson, a retired judge from Brazoria County.

Boswell said a $5 million punitive award would be merely a slap on the wrist for Marathon, which has montly revenues of nearly $1 billion.

Westheimer attorney Reagan W. Simpson said the crane operator was following Marathon's plan when the accident occurred. Marathon attorneys blamed contractor firms who are no longer defendants in the case for the disaster.

The plaintiffs allege the accident was caused by Marathon's rush to finish a plant refurbishment.

Marathon attorney Walter Conrad of Houston told jurors medical testimony proved no permanent physical harm from the spill and that many of their problems stem from smoking, obesity and existing illnesses.

Three who claimed permanent serious lung injuries show no sign of the types of

problems known to be caused by hydrofluoric acid exposure, he said.

''They simply do not have a chronic, long-term lung problem,'' Conrad said.

Marathon attorney Phil Werner of Galveston accused Boswell, McLain and other plaintiffs' attorneys of pressing the case against Marathon.

''The primary driving force behind this lawsuit are the lawyers,'' Werner said. ''This is not the people's lawsuit.''

Jurors first must decide whether either or both of the companies were negligent in their handling of the plant equipment. If so, they must decide what percentage of responsibility each must bear and how much in actual damages each plaintiff should receive.

If jurors find either firm negligent, they then must decide whether either was grossly negligent and liable for the huge punitive damages suggested by plaintiff's attorneys.

One crucial issue is whether Marathon created a hazardous situation by leaving the acid tank full while the crane was working on nearby structures.

Marathon Petroleum, of Findlay, Ohio, is a subsidiary of Marathon Oil Co., which itself is a unit of USX Corp., the Pittsburgh-based steel and energy conglomerate.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 18) UPI - The National League Tuesday named six finalists for its two expansion baseball teams in 1993.

The six cities are: Buffalo, N.Y.; Denver; Miami; Orlando, Fla.; St. Petersburg-Tampa, Fla., Washington. The two winning bids will be announced before Sept. 30.

The long list of expansion candidates had 10 cities with 16 prospective owners. The four cities dropped from consideration were: Nashville, Tenn., Charlotte, N.C., Sacramento, Calif., and Phoenix.

''All prospective ownership groups on the short list are the most qualified in terms of financial stability, significant community identification and long-term committment to a baseball club and their community,'' Dan Danforth, chairman of the NL Expansion Committee, said in a statement. ''The cities on the list are the best in terms of market size, government commitment to support baseball and stadium facilities in place or planned.

''We look forward to the next step in the expansion process, visits to the

sites and final recommendations.''

The National League currently has 12 teams, two less than the AL. The last expansion teams to enter the major leagues were Seattle and Toronto in 1977.

The new franchises will pay $95 million each to join the NL. They will not be able to share in the league's television revenues for at least two seasons.

The expansion timetable calls for minor-league play to begin in 1992 with the player allocation draft in November 1992.

Of the six finalists, only Washington, a longtime member of the AL before the franchise moved to Minnesota, previously had a major-league team.

Florida, with three candidates, is a big favorite to land one team. Buffalo, which has broken minor-league attendance records, now seems uncertain it can afford a team.

The finalists for the two teams, with prospective ownership groups: Buffalo - Buffalo Baseball LP (the Rich family), Denver - Colorado Baseball Partnership (Stephen Ehrhart, John Antonucci, Michael Monus, Michael Nicklous, Cary Taraji), Miami - South Florida Big League Baseball Inc. (H. Wayne Huizenga), Orlando - Orlando Sunrays Pro Baseball Team (Richard DeVos), St. Petersburg-Tampa - Sunshine State Baseball Associates, Ltd. (Sidney Kohl, Allen Kohl, Stephen Porter, S. Joel Schur), Washington - Metropolitan Washington Baseball (John Akridge 3d).

Only hours before the list was announced, Buffalo squelched its chances when local lawmakers said they are reconsidering plans to spend $2.5 million on expanding the city's downtown baseball stadium because of recent uncertainties by the potential owners of an expansion franchise.

City councilmen said they may be forced to hold off on selling a $2.5 million bond for blueprints to expand Pilot Field because Robert Rich Jr., current owner of the Class AAA Buffalo Bisons and the principal owner in a group attempting to land the expansion team, has raised doubts about the financial feasibility of a big league club.

Rich said he was ''thrilled'' after the Expansion Committee's announcement, promising ''that when major league baseball comes to Buffalo in 1993, it will be afforable for everybody involved.''

''Buffalo deserves this more than any of the four cities that aren't on the list... and more than any of the five cities that we're on the list with. ''We're committed to bring major league baseball to western New York. We're committed to bringing affordable family fun to the fans of this area,'' Rich said.

Bob Pincus, who heads the Washington group and and is president of Sovran Bank was equally pleased with the announcement.

''It's the holiday season, we're very thrilled. It's a gift that's been delivered to the metropolitan Washington area,'' said Pincus. ''It's just the beginning. We're going to bring baseball to Washington.

''I think the chances are excellent. I think the state of Florida will get one team. Then if you compare us to Denver and Buffalo ... the size of the metropolitan areas, we far exceed them demographically.''

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HOUSTON (DEC. 18) UPI - Initial tests indicate that the oil-starved Philippines could be sitting on a major oilfield with reserves ''conservatively estimated at 1 billion barrels'' of oil, Vaalco Energy Inc. said Tuesday.

The company said its wholly owned subsidiary, Alcorn (Production) Philippines Inc., has completed the testing of the West Linapacan-1 exploration well offshore northwest Palawan.

During three tests the well flowed at a stabilized rate of 5,051 barrels of oil a day from three tests and yielded medium-quality crude.

''This well is a major discovery for the Philippines. Very preliminary calculations of the reserves of this newly discovered field are conservatively estimated at 1 billion barrels of oil-in-place,'' Vaalco said.

The field is in 1,150 feet of water approximately 250 miles southwest of Manila.

Vaalco said ''an all-out effort will be made to expedite this field's development.''

''On the basis of initial field parameters, recoverable reserves would most likely fall within the standard oilfield definition of ''major oilfield,'' 100 million barrels of crude oil or greater,'' it said.

Gruy Engineering Corp., a Houston-based independent petroleum engineering firm has been engaged to independently assess the field reserves. This report should be made available in mid-January, the company said.

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PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (DEC. 18) UPI - A leader of Haiti's feared Tonton

Macoutes warned his group will fight the expected victory of populist candidate Jean-Bertrand Aristide who maintained a hefty lead in presidential election results Tuesday.

''The election went like a farce,'' said Roger Lafontant, leader of the Tonton Macoutes, thugs loyal to the former regime of Jean Claud ''Baby Doc'' Duvalier. ''We will fight and get the power legally and non-violently.''

Of the 96,540 votes counted, just under 5 percent of the total of Sunday's ballots, Aristide held 68.2 percent or 65,854 votes, the Electoral Council said.

U.S.-favorite Marc Bazin, a former World Bank technocrat, remained in second place with 12.2 percent or 11,820 votes.

Spokesmen for the Electoral Council said almost all the votes have been counted in the capital, but that results have to be released proportionately around the country.

Aristide, a charismatic 37-year-old priest who became the front- runner in presidential elections, had said he decided to run for president because of the threat represented by Lafontant and his group. In 1988, Aristide was expelled from the Salesian religious order for using his pulpit as a political platform and preaching ''class struggle. ''

The Tonton Macoutes, blamed for an attempted assassination of Aristide early this month, have been responsible for much of the terror and atrocities committed in the last 30 years in Haiti.

''Aristide is a communist terrorist, with a psychotic disorder who is not qualified, has no experience and no expertise,'' Lafontant told United Press International.

Lafontant, with a .45 caliber pistol clip resting on his desk, said he was committed to fighting Aristide's victory, and called the leftist priest ''a communist with Lybian backing who will rule the country like Fidel Castro or (former Nicaraguan President) Daniel Ortega.''

Election observers, including Bernard Aronson, U.S. assistant secretary of state for inter-American affairs and former President Jimmy Carter, said Aristide would apparently assume office Feb. 7, 1991, as Haiti's first democratically elected president in decades.

International observers said the elections were fair despite some irregularities and confusion at polling stations.

Port-au-Prince returned to its normal pace Tuesday morning, with vendors peddling their wares for the Christmas season and traffic backed up on the

narrow, poorly paved streets.

But the army denial of Monday's killing of a pregnant woman, after soldiers opened fire on a group of demonstrators celebrating Aristide's victory, cast a shadow of doubt over how long the country's fragile peace would last.

Americas Watch, a U.S-based independent human rights organization, said in a statement that the group was concerned about the violent death of the woman at the post-election celebration.

''The army's denial of any role in the incident is of grave concern and threatens to undermine the support so justly earned by the armed forces on election day,'' the Americas Watch report said. International observers had praised the army's role in providing security on election day.

A radio report Tuesday quoted police saying that officers had only shot into the air and that the dead woman had been run over by a car. Police said she was not hit by bullets.

But a doctor, who asked not be identified, saw the woman's body and said she died of a gunshot wound in the lower abdomen.

An Argentine member of the Organization of American States' observer team said the army and far right elements may again threaten a temporary peace.

''After what happened yesterday, we just cannot be sure all that we have worked to achieve would last,'' he said. ''The army and the Tonton Macoutes might still try to mess things up.''

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 18) UPI - A prison guard escaped with minor injuries Tuesday from two inmates, one a convicted murderer, who held him hostage for about 17 hours, officials said.

Donnie Houston, 29, a guard at the federal Metropolitan Correction Center since 1989, was treated for minor injuries, as was one of the inmates, Ernest Olivo Cruz, 32. Cruz was being held on federal charges unrelated to two life sentences for murder he was serving in Florida until escaping in 1988.

The second suspect was not hurt.

''We're very happy it ended in no serious injuries to anyone,'' said prison spokesman Gavin O'Connor.

The hostage drama, which took place in a six-cell high-security area on the fifth floor of the 12-story downtown prison, ended about 1:40 p. m., about 17

hours after it began.

Details of how Houston escaped or the injuries to the guard and inmate were not immediately released by a team of Bureau of Prison officials or FBI agents who negotiated with the prisoners.

The standoff began about 8:40 p.m. Monday when the inmates attempted to take two guards hostage. One guard, identified as Robert Gibson, 28, was able to escape.

Gibson, who like Houston joined the prison staff in 1989, was slightly hurt during his escape and was treated at a nearby hospital. Details on his injuries were not released.

It was not immediately clear if the two inmates, Cruz and Jose Rodriguez, 32, both of Cuban descent, were armed with weapons. Prison officials did not reveal whether the inmates had made any demands.

Cruz and Rodriguez had been charged in California with intent to rob a federal agent. Rodriguez had pleaded guilty to the charge and was awaiting sentencing. Cruz was awaiting trial, O'Connor said.

Authorities said Cruz, who was arrested by narcotics agents in San Diego in September 1989, had escaped in 1988 from prison in Raiford, Fla., where he had been sentenced for two separate drug-related killings in Miami and Hialeah.

Cruz, also known as Emilio Bravo, had been featured under that name on the television program, ''America's Most Wanted.'' A San Diego law enforcement officer saw the show and recognized the escapee as Cruz, who already was in custody at MCC.

Both inmates have been at the San Diego prison periodically since Sept. 23, 1989, O'Connor said. Cruz and Rodriguez also have been housed at various other federal prisons in California for security reasons, he said.

The downtown correctional center houses approximately 950 inmates, most of whom are awaiting trial.

O'Connor said routine operations inside the prison were able to continue with few interruptions because the inmates are generally restricted to their housing units and have their meals delivered to them.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Seven people are confirmed dead and more than 40 others injured in today's collision of a Chicago-bound Greyhound bus and two semi-trucks on Interstate 80 in Utah. One witness says it appears a big-rig

truck heading west slid across the median into east-bound lanes, first striking another tractor-trailer rig, then the bus. The highway was ice-packed and swept by high winds. Another witness saw people standing alongside the bus, pulling victims out through the windows. Rescuers had to fight low visibility and the winds. Medical helicopters were UNable to land nearby.

A drug kingpin has turned himself in to authorities in Colombia to avoid being shipped out to face drug charges in Florida and Louisiana. Family members say 33-year-old Fabio Ochoa gave himself up. He was one of three Ochoan brothers who belong to the notorious Medellin drug cartel. Ochoa is the cartel's first leader to turn himself over to Colombian authorities and his surrender takes advantage of a new measure that reduces jail sentences.

The sheriff in Lawrence County, Missouri, says 19 people were arrested and charged today with misdemeanors stemming from their efforts to force-feed a comatose woman who is being allowed to die. Hospital officials say the demonstrators entered the Missouri Rehabilitation Center in Mount Vernon, and 11 of them reached the second-floor unit where Nancy Cruzan's room is located. But security guards and police kept the protesters from entering the woman's room. Cruzan's feeding tube was removed by court order last week.

Consumer advocate Ralph Nader is urging Americans to phone Vice President Quayle and demand that he refuse to accept a 45-thousand- dollar pay raise. Standing outside the White House, Nader read aloud the vice president's telephone number, saying ''that's 2022326''. A Quayle spokesman laughed when told of Nader's deed and said ''that's the correct telephone number'' but that Quayle ''will keep the pay raise.'' President Bush ordered the raise for Quayle last week as part of a new salary structure authorized by Congress.

Quayle won't be in Washington to answer the phone, though. He and his family are spending Christmas skiing in Vail, Colorado. Afterward, the vice president plans to visit American troops in Saudi Arabia.

The White House today released a Christmas message from President Bush. In it, the president says the Christian message of hope and redemption ''continues to bring peace and joy to Millions.'' He says that certain ''events during the past year have given us a renewed sense of hope, yet in some parts of the world, peace remains an elusive blessing.'' Bush called on citizens to strive ''to make peace on earth a reality for all of God's children.''

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(DEC. 18) UPI - President Bush says any war in the Persian Gulf will NOT become another Vietnam. At a news conference of regional editors in Washington today, Bush said he wants peace... but noted the fast-approaching January 15th deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. He says his advisers have forecast how quickly Saddam Hussein would ''fold'' and says- quote- ''None that I know

of are predicting anything like the long drawn out bitter experience of Vietnam.''

Amnesty International is calling on Iraq to end its human rights abuses in Kuwait. The London-based human rights organization accused Iraqi forces of torturing and killing hundreds of people... imprisoning thousands... and allowing more than 300 premature babies to die after ''looting incubators'' in three main Kuwait City hospitals. Amnesty says it documented 38 methods of torture used by the Iraqi military that included electric shocks, rape, shooting limbs, and cutting off ears or tongues.

Assistant Education Secretary Michael Williams is reversing his ban on scholarships reserved for minorities amid a firestorm of controversy over the ban. Williams conceded political naivete when he announced that according to his interpretation of civil rights laws and recent Supreme Court decisions, race-exclusive scholarships are illegal. The incident began when Williams gave unsolicited advice to the Fiesta Bowl on their scholarships for the teams playing in the New Year's Day football game.

President Bush today rejected suggestions that his administration flip-flopped on the issue, contending the White House had NO warning of Williams' initial decision. Bush said the issue of race-based scholarships may be challenged in the courts, although he could not predict the outcome. Groups representing minorities and universities called Williams' ruling contrary to decades of legal advice.

Utah authorities say the bad weather and icy road conditions could've been a factor in this morning's fatal collision between a Chicago-bound Greyhound bus and two trucks. Seven passengers were killed and 41 other people injured in the accident, which took place on Interstate 80 near the Wyoming border. A witness said it seemed a truck heading west slid across the median into the east-bound lanes... first striking another truck and then the bus.

Missouri authorities today arrested a group of religious activists who went to a Mount Vernon hospital in an attempt to force-feed a comatose woman who's being allowed to die following a lengthy legal battle. 11 protesters were arrested by police and security guards before they could enter Nancy Cruzan's room. The parents of the 33-year-old Cruzan won a court order last week allowing them to remove the life support feeding tube that has kept her alive in a permanent vegetative state for nearly eight years.

More trouble ahead for the Navy's A-12 Avenger bomber. The Pentagon said today it has told key contractors their performance is unacceptable and that they have until January 2nd to suggest a recovery plan. Spokesman Pete Williams says the four-point-seven BILLION-dollar contract for the plane could be terminated if contractors General Dynamics Corporation and McDonnell Douglas Corporation fail to devise a remedy for the problems that have plagued the A-12 program. The ambitious attack aircraft project is more than one-BILLION

dollars over budget and 18 months behind schedule.

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(DEC. 18) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says he sees NO need for his foreign minister to go to Washington if President Bush is going to reiterate demands that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait. Saddam made the comments in an interview with Turkish television.

In Washington, President Bush... apparently bracing for the possibility of military action against Iraq... promised today that any conflict in the Persian Gulf region won't become another Vietnam. But he says he favors a ''peaceful settlement'' to the crisis.

The American Civil Liberties Union is calling for a Bill of Rights for Employees to protect workers exercising their constitutional rights. The A-C-L-U says the lack of civil liberties in the workplace is a ''national scandal.''

A hostage standoff has ended at the federal prison in San Diego. Officials say a guard escaped with minor injuries from two inmates who held him captive for about 17 hours at the Metropolitan Correction Center. Details of the guard's escape or injuries were not immediately available.

In Haiti, a leader of the Caribbean nation's feared Tonton Macoutes warns his group will fight the expected presidential victory of populist priest Jean-Bertrand Aristide. Of the 96-thousandpoint-two percent.

A Houston, Texas, company says its sweepstakes to win a trip to the Soviet space station Mir is valid... despite Soviet reports questioning the agreement. Space Travel Services Corporation says it still hopes to find the lucky winner.

In Moscow, the official Soviet news agency Tass said Soviet officials have ''denied'' the reports that an American might fly on a Soviet rocket. Soviet space officials confirm talks were held with a U-S firm, but were not sure if a contract was signed.

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#90352u2759 12/18/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 18) UPI - Secretary of State Baker today warned European Community foreign ministers in Brussels that Iraq may try more ''diplomatic sleights-of-hand'' in the Persian Gulf standoff. Baker again reiterated that only a complete Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait can defuse the crisis. He says a partial Iraqi withdrawal would be unacceptable. He said it would set- quote- ''an extremely unfortunate precedent if we in any way rewarded aggression.''

A 17-hour hostage drama has ended at the San Diego Metropolitan Correction Center. Officials say a prison guard escaped with minor injuries today from two inmates, one a convicted murderer, who held him him hostage. 29-year-old Donnie Houston was treated for minor injuries, as was one of the inmates. The second suspect was NOT hurt. There were NO immediate details on how Houston escaped. But prison spokesman Gavin O'Connor said- ''We're very happy it ended in No serious injuries to anyone.''

Traffic is flowing again on Utah's Interstate 80 east near the Wyoming state line following a deadly collision today between a Greyhound bus and two big-rig trucks. Seven passengers were killed and 41 other people were injured when the Chicago-bound bus was broadsided and overturned by a big-rig truck in a blizzard. The accident occurred on the icy highway at Echo Junction. Officials say the 18-wheeler bounced off the bus and struck a second big rig... closing the interstate in both directions for about 50 miles between Park City and Evanston.

Scientists today gave Congress a sobering look at the nation's stockpile of nuclear weapons amassed during the Cold War. A report presented by Dr. Sidney Drell of the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center and other scientists to the House Armed Services Committee said the weapons should be rebuilt with the latest safety devices. And it warned the danger of an accidental explosion is greater than once thought.

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams says the department welcomed the report and added- ''We consider the safety of nuclear weapons to be a matter of the utmost importance. We give it the highest priority.'' Williams says Defense Secretary Cheney has asked his deputy, Donald Atwood, to study the report and suggest ways to implement its findings.

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NEW YORK (UPI) _ Financial News Network, the business cable TV channel, reported a loss of $72.4 million for fiscal 1990, essentially confirming its own earlier estimates, a government filing revealed Tuesday.

FNN disclosed its financial results for fiscal 1990, which ended June 30, in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission that raised the possibility the company might have to seek bankruptcy protection.

FNN's new outside auditors, Coopers & Lybrand, said in the filing the company does not have sufficient cash flow to cover its operating costs or service its debt and is involved in several shareholder lawsuits.

These factors, the auditors said, ''raise substantial doubt about the company's ability to continue as a going concern.''

If FNN's asset sales, cost-cutting moves and continuing negotiations with lenders do not allow it to meet its obligations, Coopers & Lybrand said, the company may be forced to file for bankruptcy reorganization.

FNN is 47 percent-owned by Infotechnology Inc., which controls 97 percent of United Press International. FNN and Infotechnology together own 51 percent of The Learning Channel Inc., an adult educational cable network, and other media properties, such as Institutional Research Network Inc., a closed-circuit TV service for investors.

All the companies in the Infotechnology corporate family are on the sales block following the appointment of an interim management team charged with restructuring both Infotech and FNN debt.

In the SEC filing, repeatedly delayed because of an accounting dispute with FNN's previous auditors, the new auditors said FNN's losses had been caused by several factors. They cited leasing transactions, payments from FNN to UPI, investment to start up the new FNN:PRO investors service, and the adoption of a cash basis of reporting income associated with two major contracts.

The loss was just below the $72.5 million that the company had projected in late November.

The auditors also noted that the company is under investigation by the SEC for possible securities violations involving accounting practices, internal controls and transactions with related companies.

The auditors said FNN's lease transactions amounted to about $51 million during fiscal 1990 but the company placed a higher value on the leases than was later assigned to the equipment. Because of defaults on the leases, they have been counted as current liabilities.

Some of the proceeds from the leases were used to provide funds to UPI, resulting in a charge to FNN of about $17 million in fiscal 1990.

FNN also poured a total of $24.2 million into FNN:PRO, a news and information service for investors. Its success cannot be determined at present, the auditors said, because of the ''current major retrenchment'' in the brokerage and investment banking industry.

FNN took another hit because invoices to UPI and IRN, drawn up as a result of contractual obligations to both companies, were counted by FNN as revenue but now seem doubtful sources of that revenue.

''The company now believes that the collectibilty of these billings is in question because of the depressed financial condition of both UPI and IRN,'' the statement said.

UPI did, in fact, pay back $16.5 million of $17.7 million billed to it by FNN during fiscal years 1990 and 1989, the report said. But it said this could not be counted as revenue because the payments were made partly from funds received from the leasing transactions.

FNN incurred a $22.6 million charge from UPI in fiscal 1990. Of this, $17 million relates to proceeds from leasing companies for equipment sales where FNN ultimately become the lessee. The remaining $5.6 million was written off as uncollectible.

The leasing transactions, payments to UPI and IRN and the FNN:PRO start-up expenses together accounted for about $65 million of FNN's $72. 4 million loss Coopers & Lybrand said.

Based on the audit, FNN said it now believes that funds from bank and lease transactions were used to finance ''substantial operating deficits'' at FNN and its subsidiaries and to finance the FNN:PRO start- up.

FNN's long-term obligations to banks and leasing companies amount to about $47 million each.

During fiscal 1990, the company needed $43 million in cash to support operations and incurred more than $83 million in bank debt and lease financing obligations.

''Significant negative cash flows'' are expected to continue in 1991, the auditors said, and the company is seeking bank financing to continue operations.

''There is no assurance, however, that such funds will be forthcoming or that if received, will be adequate to enable the company to meet its obligations for the period in question.

''In any event, the company needs the continued forbearance of the banks and the leasing companies in order to continue operating,'' the auditors said.

Even if the company is successful in selling its principal operations, ''there can be no assurance if, when, or at what price, such sales will be consummated '' the statement added.

FNN's problems were compounded by an 11.3 percent drop in advertising revenues from fiscal 1989 to fiscal 1990, accounting for about a $2.8 million decline. However, revenues from cable TV affiliates rose about 30 percent to $2.5 million as FNN added stations and raised advertising rates.

FNN had no significant revenues from related parties, such as UPI and IRN during the fiscal year, since it decided to record such revenues on a cash

installment method.

On the over-the-counter market in New York Tuesday, FNN stock ended the day unchanged at $2.125 a share, while Infotechnology stock plunged nearly 19 cents to finish at 56.3 cents a share.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 19) UPI - Smash hit ''Home Alone'' has passed the $100 million mark, hitting that benchmark faster than any other film this year, Twentieth Century Fox said Tuesday.

''Home Alone,'' which has led the nation's box office for five consecutive weekends, pulled in $100.2 million in ticket sales in the 32 days since its release.

New Line Cinema's ''Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles'' had previously been the fastest film to hit the $100-million barrier, needing 36 days.

Paramount's ''Ghost,'' the year's top grosser with $201.2 million, crossed the mark in 39 days, while Disney's ''Pretty Woman'' hit that level in 52 days.

''Home Alone,'' starring Macaulay Culkin as an 8-year-old boy accidentally left home while his family leaves for vacation, is one of just half a dozen other movies in the past decade that have grossed more than $10 million per weekend at the box-office during five separate weekends: ''E.T.,'' ''Return of the Jedi,'' ''Ghostbusters,'' ''Beverly Hills Cop,'' ''Batman'' and ''Look Who's Talking.''

For the year to date, the nation's box office has totaled $4.62 billion, off just $80 million from last year's $4.7 billion at the same juncture last year, Daily Variety reported Tuesday.

The year-end total for 1990 will probably be just under $5 billion. Last year's record-setting total was $5.03 billion.

The top 10 films of took in $47.2 million over the weekend, up 44 percent over the $33 million for the year-ago weekend.

For the week, the domestic box-office totaled $81.2 million, up slightly from the year-ago week's total of $80 million.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Hughes Aircraft Co. of Los Angeles and Spar Aerospace Ltd. of Canada have been selected to build two satellites for

mobile communications services throughout North America.

The team's selection was announced jointly Wednesday by American Mobile Satellite Corp. (AMSC) in Washington, and Telesat Mobile Inc. (TMI) of Canada in Montreal.

Two contracts valued at approximately $100 million (U.S.) each call for AMSC and TMI to purchase jointly two of Hughes' newest line of satellites, the three-axis body-stabilized HS 601. Hughes, a unit of GM Hughes Electronics, will provide the satellite bus and Spar is responsible for the communications payload. The program is known as MSAT.

AMSC and TMI will each own and operate one spacecraft, which will be the most technologically advanced and most powerful ever built for commercial mobile communications. Each satellite has sufficient capacity to support up to 3,000 radio channels.

The satellites will cover the entire continental United States and Canada, as well as Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and 200 miles of United States and Canadian coastal waters, and will have the capability to cover Mexico.

Both operators will provide complementary mobile telephone, radio, data and positioning service to land, aviation and maritime users. Both also will provide each other with backup and restoration capacity. The spacecraft are due to be launched in early 1994, and they are compatible with most of the world's expendable launch vehicles.

The spacecraft will use the HS 601 multipurpose cube-shaped bus to operate three transponders: one linking feeder stations to mobile users via a Ku-band uplink and an L-band downlink; a reverse transponder linking mobile users to earth stations via an L-band uplink and Ku-band downlink; and one crosslinking earth stations via a Ku-band uplink and downlink.

Each MSAT spacecraft features an L-band payload of two six-meter-by-five-meter mesh reflector antennas and solid-state power amplifiers permitting reception and transmission via small, low-power portable terminals similar to cellular telephones. The Ku-band payload provides transmission between the satellite and the feeder earth stations.

This agreement represents Hughes' fifth HS 601 contract, and brings the total ordered in 1990 alone to 12. Other customers are Aussat Pty. Ltd. of Australia the U.S. Navy, Hughes Communications Inc. and Societe Europeenne des Satellites of Luxembourg.

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WOODLAND HILLS, CA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - 20th Century Industries has retained Fleishman-Hillard Inc. as corporate and financial communications counsel, it was announced Wednesday by Rick Dinon, senior vice president of the company.

The largest independent public relations firm in the United States, Fleishman-Hillard will provide a wide range of corporate relations and financial communications services to the firm. The agency also will function as the primary media contact and liaison with the financial community.

''Fleishman-Hillard's strong presence throughout California will be a tremendous asset as we move into the new decade,'' said Dinon. ''We look forward to a long-term relationship.''

With headquarters in St. Louis, Fleishman-Hillard has offices in Los Angeles, New York, Washington D.C., Atlanta, Chicago, Philadelphia, Kansas City and Sacramento, Calif. The firm also operates offices in London; Paris; Brussels, Belgium; and Dublin, Ireland; as well as throughout the Pacific Rim.

20th Century Industries is a publicly held California company with two wholly owned subsidiaries: 20th Century Insurance Co. which markets automobile, homeowners and personal excess liability insurance amd 21st Century Casualty Co., which markets automobile and condominium insurance. Both insurance subsidiaries' offices are located in Woodland Hills.

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DUSSELDORF, GERMANY (DEC. 19) BIZWIRE - Digital Equipment Corporations announced today that it has reached agreement with Mannesmann AG to acquire 65 percent of a new company to be formed from the Mannesmann Kienzle Computer Systems Division, and the PROCAD GmbH and PCS GmbH divisions of Mannesmann Kienzle.

Mannesmann AG will own 35 percent of the new company.

The company, headquartered in Villingen, Germany, will be called Digital-Kienzle Computer Systeme GmbH and Co KG., as soon as the necessary regulatory approvals are obtained.

"Digital is pleased and proud to be associated in a venture of such promise

with a company of such long-standing excellence and stature in the European marketplace," said John F. Smith, Digital senior vice presdient of worldwide operations.

Digital's investment in the new company will be DM 340 million (US $230 million). It is the largest external investment in the 33-year history of Digital Equipment Corporation.

Mannesmann Kienzel's Computer System Division has established a solid position in the German computer market since it was integrated into the Mannesmann Group in 1982. The division is the second-largest domestic computer supplier in Germany.

Digital-Kienzle will have sales offices in 28 German cities and in other European countries. It will also feature one of the premier UNIX software development organizations in Germany.

Mannesmann AG, headquartered in Dusseldorf, Germany, builds plants and machinery, makes parts and components for the automotive industry, manufactures hydraulic, pneumatic and electrical drives and controls, develops and supplies measurement, automation, and information technology, produces steel tube and pipe, provides services and trades on a worldwide scale. The Mannesmann Group's 1989 worldwide revenues were DM 22.3 billion.

Munich-based Digital Equipment GmbH, the German subsidiary of Digital Equipment Corporation, recorded fiscal year 1990 revenues of DM 1.75 billion (US $835 million). The subsidiary was established 28 years ago in Munich as Digital's first European office.

Digital Equipment Corporation., headquarted in Maynard, Mass., is the world's leading global supplier of networked computer systems and services. Digital offers a full range of computing solutions and systems integration for the entire enterprise -- from the desktop to the data center. Digital reported fiscal year 1990 worldwide revenues of $12.9 billion.

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LOUISVILLE, COLO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Cybermedic Inc. (NASDAQ:CMED) announced a 7.4 percent increase in net sales to $4,715,500 for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990.

The company reported a net loss of $423,240, or 26 cents per share, for the year, compared to a loss of $79,938, or 5 cents per share, on revenues of

$4,391,739 in the previous fiscal year.

For the fourth quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, the company reported sales of $1,159,549 and a net loss of $160,634, or 10 cents per share. This compares with sales of $1,206,045 and net income of $24,357, or 1 cent per share, on the comparable quarter of fiscal 1989.

Cybermedic President Patrick Crane commented that ''Accelerated product development efforts in the last half of the year led to the successful introduction of a new generation of pulmonary function equipment at the December meeting of the American Association for Respiratory Care.

''In addition, the MetaScope metabolic analyzer has been upgraded to include cardiac output measurement capability, thus widening its appeal to physicians and accelerating the payback for the hospitals.''

Cybermedic manufactures computerized pulmonary diagnostic equipment and metabolic monitors which it markets worldwide to hospitals, clinics and physicians.

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MILPITAS, CA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - In response to growing concerns over the potential health hazards of very low frequency electromagnetic emissions from video display terminals, Qume Corp. Wednesday announced the results of independent laboratory tests on VLF emission levels from the leading VDTs currently sold in the U.S. market.

The tests, conducted by the Swedish Radiation Protection Institute, underwritten by the Display Products Division of Qume Corp., compared Qume's new QVT Series I terminals with the top-selling terminals from Wyse, Link and Applied Digital Data Systems (ADDS). The results show the QVT Series I products to be the only terminals that meet or exceed the institute's VLF emission standards.

Individuals or corporations can obtain a summary of these test results by calling or writing to Qume Corp., Display Products Division, 500 Yosemite Drive, Milpitas, 95035, 800/457-4447, 408/942-4000, ext. 4156.

Qume Corp. manufactures and markets printers, display products, board-level personal computer disk drive controllers and chip sets, computer supplies and accessories. The Display Products Division is dedicated to the development, marketing and sales of computer monitors and terminals. Qume products are marketed worldwide through a variety of distribution channels and original

equipment manufacturers.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint and Bell Atlantic Mobile have signed an agreement to develop a proposal for presentation to the General Services Administration (GSA) to give federal employees on the road easier and less costly access to the Federal Telecommunications System 2000 (FTS2000) network via cellular mobile radio telephones.

Under the cooperative agreement, Bell Atlantic Mobile and US Sprint will work together to develop the technical capabilities to simplify cellular telephone access to FTS2000, the federal government's advanced, cost-effective telecommunications network.

As a leading cellular carrier, Bell Atlantic Mobile will arrange for nationwide cellular telephone services for FTS2000 customers through agreements with other cellular carriers. The agreements will provide nationwide availability for calling features such as service activation, roaming and customer services.

Bell Atlantic Mobile Systems, a subsidiary of Bell Atlantic Corp., markets cellular phones and service, and operates cellular systems in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, Delaware and the District of Columbia.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the only nationwide all-digital, all fiber-optic network.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - David W. Danjczek has been promoted to the new Litton corporate post of staff vice president for

international business.

Danjczek, 39, will maintain his office in Washington, D.C., where he had been director of international operations for Litton's Advanced Electronic Systems business since 1978. He joined Litton in 1974.

In his new post, Danjczek will be involved with all of Litton's businesses in helping to establish and support relationships in existing and prospective international markets worldwide. He also will continue to be responsible for liaison with the U.S. government for Litton's imports and exports.

Danjczek earned a bachelor's degree in international affairs at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., and is an adjunct faculty member there. He is a member of the Treasury Department's Committee on the Commercial Operations of the Customs Service, as well as industry associations, including the Electronic Industries Association, in which he is chairman of the Customs Committee and past chairman of its Export/Import Committee.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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PALO ALTO, CA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Company Wednesday announced it has further streamlined its Computer Systems Organization (CSO) to better implement the company's standards-based cooperative-computing strategy it calls NewWave Computing.

This step follows the Oct. 5 announcement of a corporatewide reorganization of responsibilities, including the creation of CSO.

Today HP merged four groups -- the Computer Systems Group, the Workstation Group, the Information Networks Group and the Engineering Applications Group -- into two new groups. The two groups are:

-- The Networked Systems Group, which has responsibility for product development and marketing for workstations, multiuser systems and servers, development and licensing of PA-RISC, core networking, operating systems, languages, databases and system-platform integration. Willem P. Roelandts, HP vice president and former general manager of the Computer Systems Group, heads this entity.

-- The Cooperative Computing Group, which has responsibility for product development and marketing for HP's distributed-computing and distributed-application environments, application-development environments, applications, user interfaces, and office and personal network products. Robert J. Frankenberg, HP vice president and former general manager of the Information Networks Group, heads this entity.

Roelandts and Frankenberg will continue to report to Lewis E. Platt, HP executive vice president and head of CSO. Today's announcement does not change the total number or the location of CSO employees.

HP today also announced it will focus additional resources on the telecommunication market where HP is combining its computing technology and its long-standing lead in the test-and-measurement business. The company expects significant growth in mobile-communication and computing markets to provide substantial business opportunities.

Leading the development of HP's telecommunication strategy will be Bill G. Kay former general manager of HP's Workstation Group. Kay will join HP Laboratories, the company's central research organization. He will be located in Palo Alto and will report to Frank P. Carrubba, HP Labs director.

William G. Parzybok, HP vice president and former general manager of HP's Engineering Applications Group, will work with other members of the CSO management team to refine the strategy and improve the organization's effectiveness. He continues to report to Platt.

Parzybok will remain in Colorado, where he is HP's senior executive, and he will continue to have responsibility for HP's Fort Collins site, Northern Colorado personnel and all Colorado public-affairs activities.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Xytronyx Inc. (ASE:XYX), a biotechnology company, announced that the U.S. Patents and Trademarks Office has allowed claims covering its Ultraviolet (UV) Dosimeter Badge.

Xytronyx developed the UV Dosimeter in response to the increasing concerns over the harmful effects of excessive UV radiation exposure as a cause of skin cancer, skin aging, cataracts and impairment of the immune system. In spite of the use of sun screens, skin cancer is the most common form of cancer in the United States, with 600,000 new cases reported last year.

By registering calibrated color changes in response to cumulative UV radiation exposure, the Dosimeter allows a user to monitor personal exposure to these potentially harmful rays. The Dosimeter can be worn safely on clothing or the skin.

The UV Dosimeter recently received the Skin Cancer Foundation's ''Seal of Recommendation.''

Xytronyx is engaged in the development and commercialization of products based on biotechnological research primarily in the areas of medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine.

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PORTLAND, OR (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Electro Scientific Industries Inc. (ESI) announced Wednesday that it will begin worldwide marketing of a new laser bonding system, ESI Model 7100.

The system is based on technology developed by MCC (Microelectronics and Computer Technology Corp.), a research consortium based in Austin, Texas. The new technique, called laser tape automated bonding (TAB), is used in the packaging of integrated circuits.

Following the development of laser TAB, MCC signed a licensing agreement in February 1989 authorizing ESI to become the exclusive manufacturer of laser bonding systems using the new technology.

Under this agreement, the laser systems initially could be sold only to participants of MCC research programs. The first system was delivered to MCC in February 1990. As of today, ESI will begin open marketing of its Model 7100 Laser TAB System. MCC will receive a royalty from the sale of each system.

Work on the bonder began in 1985 when MCC's shareholders projected the need for new bonding approaches. The system incorporates an ESI patented laser to bond hundreds of leads from TAB tape to a chip quickly and precisely.

Laser TAB does not subject expensive ICs to high temperature and pressure, unlike the two IC packaging techniques now in common use. The first method, gang bonding, uses heat and pressure to bond all leads on a device simultaneously.

The second, single-point bonding, bonds each lead separately using a

mechanical tool to apply heat, pressure and ultrasonic vibration. In contrast laser TAB requires no physical contact with the leads. The result is an extremely gentle, nondamaging process that is performed at room temperature with minimal pressure.

The December 1990 issue of ''Semiconductor International,'' a major semiconductor publication, named the ESI Model 7100 Laser System as one of the 20 best products of 1990. The award winning products were chosen because they meet or exceed advanced semiconductor fabrication needs.

MCC is a cooperative venture of 53 North American companies which conducts long-range research in microelectronics and computer technology.

ESI is a world leader in the production of laser systems for trimming and processing microelectronics circuitry and a major materials, precision instrumentation and equipment supplier to the electronics industry.

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ROCKY HILL, CT (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Ames Department Stores Inc. (NYSE:ADD) said Wednesday that its board of directors has appointed Arthur Andersen & Co. as independent public accountants, succeeding Coopers & Lybrand which has been Ames' independent public accountant since 1979.

Ames said that the appointment, which is subject to bankruptcy court approval, would include the examination of Ames' financial statements for the fiscal year ending Jan. 26, 1991.

Ames filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code April 25. The company sought court protection to restructure its business and finances. Ames operates 461 discount department stores in 17 Northeastern states.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - American Building Maintenance

Industries Inc. (NYSE:ABM), Wednesday reported record earnings and revenues for both the year and quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

For the year ended Oct. 31, 1990, net income before extraordinary gain was $9,846,000 compared to $8,728,000 in 1989, an increase of 13 percent. Correspondingly, earnings per share increased 10 percent from $2.25 in 1989 to $2.48 in 1990.

In addition, there was an extraordinary gain of $1,387,000 or 35 cents per share, net of income taxes, resulting from an insurance settlement for damage caused by the earthquake of Oct. 17, 1989, to the company's headquarters in San Francisco.

Revenues were $679,128,000 against $638,362,000, a 6 percent increase over the like period in 1989.

For the quarter, net income was $3,223,000, an increase of 13 percent from the prior year's fourth quarter income of $2,843,000. Earnings per share in this quarter increased 11 percent to 81 cents compared to 73 cents reported a year earlier. Revenues increased 6 percent to $176,541,000 from $165,877,000 for the like period last year.

ABM employs over 35,000 and is one of America's leading facility service contractors, providing elevator, engineering, janitorial, lighting, mechanical parking, pest control, security and janitorial supply services to hundreds of communities in the United States and Canada.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint will carry on a holiday tradition again this year by providing free calls to thousands of military personnel in the Middle East and around the world through Jan. 1, 1991.

US Sprint and the Military Affiliates Radio System (MARS) have worked together the past seven years to provide free calling to military personnel during holidays. Over Thanksgiving, several thousand calls were placed each day during a five-day calling period. ''This is a continuation of a program we have supported for years,'' said Ron LeMay, US Sprint president. ''Today, with so many military personnel in the Middle East and tensions so high, it takes on an even greater significance. Many military families have counted on Sprint to provide this service for holidays in the past and this holiday will be no exception.''

The MARS program uses radio frequencies from ships and ground-based MARS

facilities around the globe to reach MARS operators in the United States. These operators then patch the calls on the Sprint network to reach loved ones.

US Sprint has been involved in a number of programs since the Middle East situation began. By calling a toll-free 800 number (1-800-676-2255) more than 43,000 people have received faxed news updates on Persian Gulf activities. Sprint also provides free Conference Line calling to two psychological counseling groups working with hostages and their families.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the only nationwide all-digital, all fiber-optic network.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Gensia Pharmaceuticals Inc. (NASDAQ:GNSA) Wednesday announced that Chester Damecki has joined the company as vice president and general manager of multi-source products and vice president of operations, according to David F. Hale, president and chief executive officer.

Damecki will be responsible for management of the operations for Kendall McGaw Pharmaceuticals Inc. (KMP) for which Gensia has announced a definitive agreement with The Kendall Co. to acquire KMP, located in Irvine, a manufacturer of small-volume injectable pharmaceuticals for the acute-care hospital market.

''Chet brings to Gensia 21 years of experience in all aspects of manufacturing and operations. This experience will be essential as we increase production at KMP to supply injectable drugs to the acute-care hospital market,'' according to Hale.

Prior to joining Gensia, Damecki was vice president of operations and imaging products at Hybritech Inc., a division of Eli Lilly & Co., where he was instrumental in building their manufacturing capability to support sales that have increased from less than $50 million in 1985 to over $100 million estimated in 1990.

He also had responsibility for the manufacturing of Hybritech's in vivo monoclonal antibody imaging products, one of which has been submitted to the Food and Drug Administration for approval.

Prior to joining Hybritech, Damecki was vice president, operations, for BBL Microbiology Systems and Hynnson Westcott and Dunning, a division of Becton Dickinson & Co., where he held a number of senior operations management positions from 1980 to 1985.

From 1969 to 1980, Damecki held a number of operations positions with Ortho Pharmaceutical Corp., a division of Johnson and Johnson, including manager of production planning, manager of pharmaceutical packaging and supervisor of manufacturing.

Gensia is a San Diego-based biopharmaceutical company formed to discover, develop, manufacture and market novel drugs of the diagnosis and treatment of human diseases.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Real Estate Equity Trust '84 (OTC/NASDAQ/NMS:SETC) Wednesday reported increased Net Operating Income from its properties for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $3,694,993 as compared to $3,458,526 for the 1989 period, and Funds Used in Operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990 of ($399,092) as compared to Funds from Operations of $102,925 for the 1989 period.

The decrease in Funds from Operations was primarily due to legal expenses incurred in connection with litigation in which the Trust is involved and which the Trust believes is without merit. ''Funds from (Used in) Operations'' are Net Income (or Loss) under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles adjusted for non-cash items including depreciation, rent adjustments, and amortization.

''Net Operating Income'' is rentals from real estate investment less property taxes and other property costs.

Sierra Capital Realty Advisor Inc., the Advisor to Sierra '84 is a real estate asset manager and investment advisor specializing in the acquisition and management of light industrial buildings, community shopping center properties and other equity ventures for its public and institutional clients. Sierra Capital and its affiliates manage over $635 million of commercial real estate comprising over 14,000,000 square feet of leasable space nationally.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Capital Realty Trust IV (ASE:SZD) Wednesday reported increased net operating income from the trust's properties for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $6,113,910 compared with $6,094,399 for the 1989 period, and increased funds from operations of the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $2,332,655 compared with $2,189,224 for the 1989 period.

''Funds from operations'' are net income under generally accepted accounting principles adjusted for non-cash items including depreciation, rent adjustments, amortization and excluding the equity in the earnings of its unconsolidated Dallas joint venture, but including Trust IV's share of funds from operations of its Dallas joint venture.

''Net operating income'' is rentals from real estate investment less property taxes and other property costs, but not including joint venture property. Equity in earnings of the unconsolidated Dallas joint venture was $26,289 for the period compared with $188,022 for the 1989 period.

Notwithstanding the positive operating results, the trust's trustees announced the omission of the trusts fourth quarter dividend due to the anticipated loss of two major tenants in 1991, other possible lease turnover, and the related turnover costs and loss of revenues.

They also took the dividend action in light of the obvious uncertainties caused by the current economic climate, including existing constraints upon the availability of capital to the real estate market, and determined to continue an on-going review of the trust's dividend policy.

It is anticipated that the trustees will consider and adopt a revised policy at their February 1991 meeting to conserve cash and enhance the trust's ability to meet its liquidity needs, including those for capital improvements, lease turnover costs, principal debt service and overhead.

If the revised policy is implemented, as anticipated, it is likely that cash dividends will not be resumed for the next few quarters.

While the trustees believe that their past application of the trust's current dividend policy has been in line with general REIT industry practice and prior conditions, they believe that the revised dividend policy recommended by the trust's advisor, and currently being considered for adoption, would be a more conservative policy and a prudent and responsible response to the current economic climate, which could worsen in the event of a national recession.

Sierra Capital Realty Advisor Inc., the advisor to Sierra IV, is a real estate asset manager and investment advisor specializing in the acquisition and management of light industrial buildings, community shopping center properties

and other equity ventures for its public and institutional clients.

Sierra Capital and its affiliates manage over $635 million of commercial real estate comprising over 14,000,000 square feet of leasable space nationally.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Real Estate Equity Trust '83 (NASDAQ/NMS:SETBs) Wednesday announced the declaration of its regular quarterly dividend of $.0875 per share which is payable on Dec. 28, 1990 to shareholders of record on Dec. 20, 1991.

The distribution is at the same rate as the dividend paid for Trust '83 in the prior period. Trust '83 shares are listed in finanical publications as ''Sierra 83.''

Sierra 83 also reported net operating income from the trusts properties for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $2,891,531 as compared to $2,909,057 for the 1989 period, and increased funds from operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $1,067,357 as compared to $641,049 for the 1989 period.

The trust's equity in the loss of the Scripps Ranch joint venture was $65,754, an improvement over the loss of $87,400 for the 1989 period.

The Trust's Trustees determined, however, that, in light of obvious uncertainties caused by the current economic climate, including existing constraints upon the availability of capital to the real estate market, and notwithstanding the Trust's performance, to continue an on-going review of the Trust's dividend policy.

It is anticipated that the trustees will consider and adopt a revised policy, at their February 1991 meeting, which would likely result in a reduction of dividends in order to conserve cash and enhance the Trust's ability to meet its liquidity needs, including those for capital improvements, lease turnover costs, principal debt service and overhead.

While the Trustees believe that their past application of the Trust's current dividend policy has been in line with general REIT industry practice and prior conditions, they believe that the revised dividend policy recommended by the Trust's Advisor, and currently being considered for adoption, would be a more conservative policy and a prudent and responsible response to the current economic climate, which could worsen in the event of a national recession.

Sierra Captial Realty Advisor Inc., the Advisor to Sierra 83, is a real estate asset manager and investment adviser specializing in the acquisition and management of light industrial buildings, community shopping center propoerties and other equity ventures for its public and institutional clients.

Sierra Capital and its affiliates manage over $635 million of commercial real estate comprising over 14 million square feet of leasable space nationally.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Real Estate Equity Trust '82 (NASDAQ/NMS:SBI) Wednesday reported increased net operating income from its properties for the nine month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $471,933 as compared to $319,975 for the 1989 period, and increased funds from operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, of $376,173 as compared to funds used in operations of $188,687 for the 1989 period.

''Funds from (used in) operations'' are net income under generally accepted accounting principles adjusted for non-cash items including depreciation, rent adjustments, amortization and excluding Trust '82's equity in the earnings of its Scripps Ranch joint venture, but including Trust '82's share of funds from operations of its Scripps Ranch joint venture.

''Net operating income'' is rentals from real estate investment less property taxes and other property costs, but not including joint venture property.

The Trust's equity in the loss of the Scripps Ranch joint venture was $48,804, as compared to $64,863 for the 1989 period. The Trust is in the last stage of its announced liquidation process.

Sierra Capital Realty Advisor Inc., the adviser to Sierra '82, is a real estate asset manager and investment adviser specializing in the acquisition and management of light industrial buildings, community shopping center properties and other equity ventures for its public and institutional clients.

Sierra Capital and its affiliates manage over $635 million of commercial real estate comprising over 14 million square feet of leasable space nationally.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Capital Realty Trust VI (ASE:SZF, SZFPr) Wednesday reported increased net operating income from the trust's properties for the nine month period ended Sept. 30 of $5,350,752 as compared to $4,672,768 for the 1989 period, and funds from operations for the nine months ended Sept. 30 of $2,110,399 as compared to $2,109,929 for the 1989 period.

Dividends for the trust's common and preferred shares for the months of October, November and December were previously declared by the trust in September.

However, the trust's trustees determined, in light of the obvious uncertainties caused by the current economic climate, including existing constraints upon the availability of capital to the real estate market, notwithstanding the trust's performance, to continue their review of the trust's dividend policy.

It is anticipated that the trustees will consider and adopt a revised policy at their February 1991 meeting to conserve cash and enhance the trust's ability to meet its liquidity needs, including those for capital improvements, lease turnover costs, principal debt service and overhead.

It is also anticipated that the revised policy, when adopted, will take into consideration income generated by additions to the trust's equity capital from a pending private placement and other sources of funds.

Applying these factors, the application of the revised policy could result in either a reduction of, or increase in, the trust's dividends. While the trustees believe that their past application of the trust's current dividend policy has been in line with general REIT industry practice and prior conditions, they believe that the revised dividend policy recommended by the trust's advisor and currently being considered for adoption would be a more conservative policy and a prudent and responsible response to the current economic climate, which could worsen in the event of a national recession.

Sierra Capital Realty Advisor Inc., the advisor to Sierra VI, is a real estate asset manager and investment advisor specializing in the acquisition and management of light industrial buildings, community shopping center properties and other equity ventures for its public and institutional clients.

Sierra Capital and its affiliates manager over $635 million of commercial real estate comprising over 14 million square feet of leasable space nationally.

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MANSFIELD, MA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Augat Inc. (NYSE:AUG) Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share on the company's common stock.

Payment date is Jan. 31, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 10, 1991.

Augat Inc. is one of the largest manufacturers of electronic connector products in the world. In close partnership with its customers on six continents, Augat develops new interconnection technology and supplies quality products for today's -- and tomorrow's -- communications, automotive and computer industries.

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#90353b0105 12/19/1990 ~Business Wire
BANGOR, ME (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Bangor Hydro-Electric Co. announced Wednesday that Robert S. Briggs, president and chief operating officer of Bangor Hydro will become president and chief executive officer effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Briggs will assume the position of ceo from Thomas A. Greenquist, who will continue as chairman of the board until his retirement on June 30, 1991.

Briggs, 46, joined Bangor Hydro in 1979 as vice president and general counsel. He became vice president-law and public affairs in 1987, executive vice president and chief operating officer in 1988 and president and chief operating officer in 1989. He is also a member of the board of directors.

Greenquist, 62, joined Bangor Hydro in 1963 as treasurer. He became vice president and treasurer and a member of the board of directors in 1972. In 1976 he took over as president, and in 1985 became chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer. With the implementation of these steps, the orderly transfer of the executive leadership of the company commenced by Greenquist and the board of directors in 1988 in contemplation of Greenquist's retirement will be completed.

Bangor Hydro-Electric Co. is the second largest electric utility in Maine. It serves a population of about 195,000 in an area encompassing approximately 4,875 square miles in eastern and east coastal Maine. The company is a member of the New England power pool and is interconnected with other New England utilities to the south and with the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission to

the north.

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EL MONTE, CA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Marshall Industries (NYSE:MI) Wednesday reported operating results for the three-month period ended Nov. 30, 1990, the second quarter of its fiscal year 1991.

Net sales for the second quarter increased to $149,630,000 from $130,684,000 for the like period last year. Net income for the quarter declined to $4,260,000, or 50 cents per share, from $4,667,000, or 50 cents per share, a year ago.

For the six months ended Nov. 30, 1990, net sales increased to $296,117,000 from $258,151,000 for the like period a year ago. Net income for the six-month period was $9,195,000, or $1.08 per share, compared with $9,332,000, or $1 per share, in the prior year.

The net income amount for fiscal 1991 includes a net after-tax gain of $257,000 from the sale of a facility in August 1990.

Marshall Industries is a major national distributor of industrial electronic components, computer products, electronic test instruments and production supplies.

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DALLAS (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Interphase Corp. (NASDAQ:INPH) Wednesday announced revenues of $28,575,660 for its fiscal year ended Oct. 31 up 39 percent compared to revenues of $20,502,645 for the last fiscal year.

Revenues for the fourth quarter were $8,630,555 up 42 percent compared to revenues of $6,084,604 for the same period last year.

The company incurred a net loss of $3,689,213 or $1.11 per share for the year compared to a net loss of $106,920 or 3 cents per share for the previous year.

The loss for the year ended Oct. 31 was primarily due to a combination of losses from consolidating the operations of OMNI Solutions Inc., a subsidiary, and a one-time write-off of assets associated with the decision to cease

further operations at OMNI.

Interphase reported a profit of $310,600 or 9 cents per share for the fourth quarter compared to a net loss of $330,220 or 10 cents per share for the same period of 1989.

Interphase president Michael E. Cope stated, ''I think a 39 percent revenue growth rate for the year and return to profitability in the fourth quarter, tells a solid story. Also, our marketshare is stronger than ever, and good things seem to be happening for 1991.''

Interphase is a leading manufacturer of high performance network controllers, disk and tape controllers, and SCSI host bus adapters for the VMEbus, EISA and Multibus markets, and the Sun Microsystems aftermarket.

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PALO ALTO, CA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Hewlett-Packard Company and Applied Optoelectronic Technology Corporation (AOT) Wednesday announced that they have signed a definitive agreement for HP to acquire AOT.

The transaction is expected to be completed in January. Terms were not disclosed.

AOT, which is located in Milpitas, Calif., designs and produces automatic test equipment for semiconductor manufacturers. This equipment, which integrates computers and instrumentation, can quickly and automatically test devices during the manufacturing process.

AOT has a worldwide installed base of systems that test smart-power modules and integrated circuits (ICs). Smart power incorporates control functions for making decisions and power functions for performing tasks, such as adjusting the speed of a motor and activating electronic door locks.

Smart-power devices can be used to improve features in automotive, computer, industrial, consumer and military products. In automobiles, for example, smart-power ICs can regulate anti-lock brakes, adjust suspension based on the weight of passengers and sense tire pressure. These smart-power devices rapidly are replacing more cumbersome electromechanical methods used for motor control and power conversion.

Completion of the acquisition will require approval of AOT shareholders.

AOT Corporation designs and manufactures configurable automatic test systems

for smart-power, power mixed-signal, power-discrete, hybrid and optoelectronic devices. Its systems can provide power mixed-signal test solutions up to 100 amps and 1,500 volts.

The company, which is privately owned, was founded in 1979. For the foreseeable future, it will retain its employees, location and product focus as an operation in HP's Electronic Instruments Group.

HP's acquisition of AOT is part of HP's overall strategy to enhance its presence in the growing markets for semiconductor test equipment. AOT's smart-power and linear-test capabilities will complement HP's existing digital and mixed-signal testers.

HP makes strategic investments and establishes cooperative ventures to fill in or expand its range of products and strengthen key businesses.

Alliances since January 1990 include the acquisition of IDACOM Electronics Ltd.; equity investments in ASK Computer Systems Inc., Actel Corp., Cascade Microtech Inc. and Sequoia Systems Inc.; joint ventures with Oki Electric Industry Co. and the Ministry of Machinery and Electronics Industry in the Peoples' Republic of China; and a strategic alliance with Hughes Aircraft Co.

Hewlett-Packard Company is an international manufacturer of measurement and computation products and systems recognized for excellence in quality and support. The company's products and services are used in industry, business, engineering, science, medicine and education in approximately 100 countries. HP has 92,000 employees and had revenue of $13.2 billion in its 1990 fiscal year.

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DALLAS (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Spectrum Information Technologies Inc. (OTC) Wednesday made a series of announcements regarding the current status of the company.

The National Association of Securities Dealers (the ''NASD'') today informed Spectrum that its common stock will not be included in the NASD's Automated Quotation Systems (''NASDAQ''). The NASD has informed Spectrum that if the required equity capital can be secured by March 15, 1991, the common stock will be re-admitted for inclusion in the NASDAQ System.

Until that time, the common stock will continue to be quoted on the Over-The-Counter (''OTC'') market. The NASD had granted Spectrum a temporary exception from the capital and surplus requirement for continued inclusion of Spectrum's common stock in the NASDAQ System.

This exception, which was originally scheduled to expire on Dec. 10, was required by the fact that the net worth of Spectrum had fallen below the $375,000 minimum requirement.

The exception was granted based on an expectation that the required equity capital would be raised through the consummation of the public offering described in Spectrum's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (the ''Registration Statement'') filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the ''SEC'') on Sept. 7.

When it became obvious that this offering could not be completed by Dec. 10, as a result of the delay in receiving comments on the Registration Statement from the SEC, Spectrum requested an additional exception, which was denied today.

Spectrum has recently received comments on the Registration Statement from the SEC, and anticipates filing Amendment No. 1 to its Registration Statement with the SEC this week. Information regarding SIT will continue to be made available through Spectrum's filings with the SEC. Spectrum expects market quotes to be available through its marketmakers on the NASD Electronic Bulletin Board System.

Spectrum announced that due to delays in shipments to key customers and substantial one time write-offs, including the write-off of a note received from a shareholder, Spectrum expects a to record a substantial loss for the quarter ending Dec. 31, and a loss for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1991.

Spectrum explained that it expects to fulfill these delayed customer orders during the first fiscal quarter of 1991. The write-offs taken during the December quarter are all nonrecurring items. Spectrum anticipates the delivery of its newest generation of proprietary products, the BridgePlus and Smartcable, to begin volume shipments early in 1991.

Spectrum announced the approval by the U.S. patent office for its ''Portable Hybrid Communication System and Methods.'' This patent (U.S. Patent No. 4,972,457) is related to the integration of a portable computer, cellular/landline modem and cellular transceiver in a single unit, providing wired or wireless voice and data communications. Spectrum announced it has completed negotiations relative to the lease contract for its corporate headquarters in Dallas. The term of this new lease will save Spectrum is excess of $4,000 per month over it previous lease and will cut the term of its previous lease by three years.

Spectrum announced the opening of an office in New York City to enhance its ability to support its customer base and to expand its marketing efforts on the east coast.

Spectrum Information Technologies Inc., a publicly held integrated company, along with its subsidiaries, has the demonstrated capability to develop, deliver and support a wide array of state-of-the-art telecommunications and portable data products.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Sumitomo Bank of California (OTC:SUMI) voted Wednesday a fourth quarter dividend of 40 cents per common share, no change from the previous quarter.

The payout will be made Jan. 25, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 31, 1990.

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or
Hill and Knowlton
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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Trimin Resources Inc. (TSE/VSE:TRM.) Wednesday announced Mr. Fraser, the chairman of the board of the company, and Mr. Turner, the president of the company, have tendered their resignations as directors and officers of the company.

At a board of directors meeting held today, the remaining directors appointed James D. Meekison and D. Kristian Nowers, president and vice-president, respectively, of Fusion Capital Corp. of Toronto, as directors to fill the vacancies created by the resignations of Fraser and Turner, and the board then appointed W. G. Kanke, president of The Travers Financial Corp., as a director of the company.

Meekison has been appointed chairman of the company and Terry M. Holland, president.

Prior to these changes, the company's directors approved the payment of previously agreed to severance payments to Fraser and Turner, in the amounts

of $120,000 and $50,000, respectively, as well as cash bonuses in the amounts of $305,000 and $53,500, respectively, for their role in managing the company in the past and negotiating and closing the sale of the company's principal asset on Nov. 23.

At the same time, the board of directors accepted, on behalf of the company, the surrender of all of the outstanding share purchase options of the company held by Fraser and Turner.

Neither the Toronto Stock Exchange nor the Vancouver Stock Exchange have approved of or disapproved of the information contained herein and none of such exchanges accepts responsibility for either the accuracy or the content of this news release.

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Terry M. Holland, 604/688-4693

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LAGUNA HILLS, CA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - William & Clarissa Inc. announced Wednesday that it has entered into an agreement in principle with Scott Paper Co., expressing both companies' interest in forming a business relationship to market the KIDS WILLIAM & CLARISSA line of products.

The proposed terms were not disclosed. However, it was reported that the agreement calls for Scott to acquire all William & Clarissa trademarks primarily in consideration of potential future payments to be made based on product sales.

A William & Clarissa spokesman stated, ''This transaction, if consummated, will bring the support to the Kids William & Clarissa line we have been unable to provide because of our cash shortage.''

The transaction may not produce a return for William & Clarissa's common stockholders. However, the board of directors is studying alternatives, including a possible debt restructuring, to enable the company to pursue other non-competitive product concepts following consummation of the transaction with Scott.

Consummation of the transaction is subject to numerous conditions, including negotiations of a definitive agreement with Scott, and approval by the William & Clarissa stockholders. The consent of William & Clarissa's lenders is also to be obtained.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Bell customers will have additional savings on their phone bills starting in January.

The average residential customer, with about $30 in Pacific Bell charges, will save about 15 cents a month as a result of a decision today by the California Public Utilities Commission.

''The cost of living went up more than 4 percent last year, but the price of telephone service is going down,'' said Pacific Bell Assistant Vice President Bruce Jamison.

The rate cut will appear on customer bills as an increase in the billing credit they now receive. That credit is shown on the ''Rate Surcharge'' line in the ''Regulated Monthly Charges and Credits'' section of the Pacific Bell telephone bill.

In its decision Wednesday, the CPUC reduced Pacific Bell's overall rates by $114 million. This reduction is a result of the CPUC's new approach to regulating Pacific Bell. The company's overall prices are adjusted each year, based on a formula that sets prices 4.5 percent lower than the cost of living, and considers other special factors.

Inflation, as measured by the Gross National Product Price Index, was 4.3 percent from July, 1989 to June, 1990 -- the period used in the CPUC formula.

The company in October had proposed a $73.3 million reduction. Jamison said the company's figure differed from the Commission's because the two disagreed on how to account for several technical issues. The decision is expected to have a minor impact on net income.

Pacific Bell is a subsidiary of Pacific Telesis Group, a diversified worldwide telecommunications corporation based in San Francisco.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert B. Glass, a retail executive and turnaround consultant, was named executive vice president of Thrifty Drug Stores, the company's President, Eve A. Rich, announced Wednesday.

Glass, 44, has more than 18 years experience in the retail industry. Most recently he served as a consultant for Ames Department Stores and prior to

that was vice chairman of Fishers Big Wheel Inc., a general merchandise retailer based in Pennsylvania.

He replaces John Onestinghel, Thrifty Drug Store executive vice president, who has left the company to pursue other interests.

''Robert Glass is a seasoned retail executive who brings a variety of leadership skills that will help Thrifty turn around its own performance,'' said Rich. His appointment was effective immediately, she said.

Glass has experience in cost reduction, organizational restructuring, store operations and shortage reduction, among other areas.

He served in a number of positions at Gold Circle Stores, a division of Federated Department Stores, including president and chief operating officer as well as senior vice president and chief financial officer. With Thrifty Drug Stores, Glass will be responsible for store operations, finance, human resources, distribution and systems.

The 650-store chain of Thrifty and Thrifty Jr. drug stores is the flagship unit of Thrifty Corp., Los Angeles. Thrifty Corp. also owns a drug store chain in the Pacific Northwest, a membership discount store chain in Oregon and sporting goods chain stores in California, the Rocky Mountains and Midwest the largest of which is the 129-store Big 5 chain with headquarters in Los Angeles.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Tejas Gas Corp. is pleased to announce that it has reached an agreement to purchase from Occidental Petroleum Corp. and Texas Oil & Gas Corp. their interests in Acadian Gas Group subject to customary conditions.

The purchase price consists of cash and other consideration. Closing is anticipated to take place before year end, assuming all conditions are satisfied.

Acadian is a major south Louisiana intrastate natural gas pipeline company that owns and operates approximately 560 miles of transmission lines with revenues of $290.7 million and average daily throughput of 583 million cubic feet during 1989.

Occidental's natural gas transmission subsidiary, MidCon Corp., and TXO purchased what is now Acadian in 1983. MidCon's interest was subsequently

transferred to Occidental.

Tejas is engaged in intrastate natural gas pipeline operations in Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and West Virginia and owns approximately 2,000 miles of pipeline and 9 natural gas processing and treating plants.

Tejas had revenues of $265 million and total average daily throughput of approximately 721 million cubic feet during 1989. The corporation's common stock trades in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol of TEJS.

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CALIFORNIA, MD (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Two facilities of Tracor Applied Sciences Inc., a subsidiary of Tracor, are two of less than 50 companies nationwide selected from 12,000 eligible companies to receive the James S. Cogswell Award in recognition of their outstanding industrial security programs.

Charles Baldwin, regional director of the Defense Investigative Service of the Department of Defense, presented one of the awards to Sean P. Coogan, security manager; Sheila A. Cullins, assistant security manager; and Robert F. Weiland, division vice president, at the Wildewood Technology Park facility of Tracor's Electronics Systems division in California, Md.

Coogan and Cullins manage security programs that support Tracor contracts with the Naval Electronics Systems Engineering Activity, Naval Air Test Center, and Naval Ordnance Station.

The second award will be presented in January to David M. Horton, manager of the Silverdale, Wash., facility of Tracor's Analysis and Applied Research division.

Horton oversees security programs that support Tracor contracts with the Naval Underwater Weapons Engineering Station, Naval Underwater Systems Center and Naval Coastal Systems Center.

K. Bruce Hamilton, president of Tracor Applied Sciences, said: ''Meeting the criteria and being selected from among such a large number of companies is an honor which we are proud to receive.''

Criteria for the award, which is set by the Department of Defense Security Office, included the degree of security consciousness and cooperation by management, effectiveness of employee security education and motivation programs, security practices and procedures, and ability to sustain

progressive security systems.

Tracor has received the award four other times for superior security performance; in 1970 and 1984 at corporate headquarters in Austin, Texas; in 1983 at Tracor Applied Sciences in Rockville, Md.; and in 1984 at Tracor Flight Systems in Santa Ana, Calif.

Tracor, owned by privately held Westmark Systems Inc., is an international technological products, systems and services company with headquarters in Austin.

The company is a significant engineering and support contractor in sonar, communications and aviation; a leader in the development and production of electronic countermeasures systems and other advanced defense electronics; and a major manufacturer of electrical components.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - L.A. Gear Inc. (NYSE:LA) announced the completion Wednesday of a new $360 million credit facility arranged by Bank of America as agent for itself and a syndicate of domestic and international banks.

This facility supplants the $325 million facility arranged in February of 1990. The company also announced that it had given notice of termination of its factoring arrangement, effective Jan. 22, 1991, and plans to discontinue factoring after that date.

As in the company's previous credit arrangements, this new facility is a one-year arrangement which incorporates working capital advances and letters of credit to finance international purchases, subject to certain limits and covenants.

The new facility will also continue to allow the company to borrow at a committed rate based, at the company's option, upon LIBOR, prime, CD, bankers' acceptances or at a rate determined by a competitive bid feature.

Robert Y. Greenberg, chairman, stated: ''We are extremely pleased to have successfully completed this financing and are excited to have upgraded our relationship with Bank of America which has been a participant in L.A. Gear's credit arrangements since March of 1989. Bank of America's strength, California focus and commitment to business similar to ours makes them an excellent business partner for L.A. Gear.

''We are also pleased to continue our relationship with other ongoing participants and to welcome a number of new banking institutions into the facility.''

Greenberg continued: ''The new credit facility will allow us to achieve our goal of bringing our receivables 'in-house' and eliminating factoring. We believe this step will lower our costs and allow us to better service our customer base. The increased amount of the credit facility should be sufficient to allow for a transition from the factor and otherwise provide for the company's financing needs for 1991.''

Based in Los Angeles, L.A. Gear markets and designs fashion performance footwear, apparel and accessories. The company is currently the third largest footwear manufacturer in the nation.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Continental Airlines Holdings Inc. Wednesday announced that R. Lamar Durrett has been named president and chief executive officer of its System One Inc. subsidiary.

Durrett succeeds Richard E. Murray, who is resigning at the end of the year to pursue new opportunities in the CRS and travel industry arenas.

Durrett will also continue to serve in his capacity as executive vice president for administration and personnel at Continental Airlines.

''I look forward to working with System One's impressive people and products to develop new business opportunities which will position us to face the industry challenges of this decade,'' Durrett said. ''My first priority is to assure our customers and employees that System One's business philosophy, which has served as its foundation, will be preserved and will be instrumental in our future growth and business development.''

Joining Continental in October 1990, Durrett now brings to System One a broad-based knowledge of the CRS industry. During a 23-year career with Delta Airlines, Durrett held wide-ranging management responsibilities, most recently serving as vice president of communications and information services.

''Lamar is very well suited to his new responsibilities at System One, but it is with regret that we accept Dick Murray's resignation,'' said Hollis Harris, chief executive officer of Continental Airlines Holdings. ''Dick has provided formidable leadership to this company, and has been responsible for its success and growth through its most crucial development. He will be sorely

missed.''

Murray, a 37-year airline industry veteran, said his tenure at System One involved tremendous professional opportunities and challenges.

''One of the most gratifying experiences of my career with System One has been the tremendous loyalty and support we have developed from our customers and our employees,'' said Murray. ''I have personally fulfilled my charter by overseeing the growth of System One as a recognized leader in the CRS industry. We have substantially increased our market share when others said it was an impossible task, and our employee base has grown from 200 to 3,400 in just four years.

''We have a well-mapped strategic plan which will position System One to successfully emerge from Chapter 11 as an even stronger marketplace competitor and we anticipate a successful completion of the EDS transaction,'' Murray added. ''I depart System One knowing the company will continue to grow and prosper.''

System One is a computer automation services company, providing worldwide information management, data processing and telecommunications services to the airline and travel-related industries. A subsidiary of Continental Airlines Holdings Inc., System One is a leading supplier of computerized reservations, flight operations and passenger handling systems, serving nearly 8,000 travel agency and airline customers.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - John Nuveen & Co. Inc. Wednesday announced the initial public offering of the Nuveen Insured Quality Municipal Fund.

A total of 33 million shares of common stock, priced at $15 per share, was registered by the newly organized, closed-end municipal bond fund, bringing the offering size to $495 million. If the underwriters' overallotment of 3.3 million shares is exercised in full, the total offering will rise to $544.5 million.

Fund shares began trading Wednesday on a when-issued basis on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol NQI. All bonds in the portfolio will have the timely payment of their principal and interest guaranteed by AAA rated insurers or by escrow accounts containing U.S. government or U.S. government

agency securities.

Alex Brown & Sons Inc. served as lead manager for the underwriting. Co-managers include Paine Webber Inc., John Nuveen & Co. Inc., Prudential-Bache Capital Funding, Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Inc., A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc., Kemper Securities Group, Inc., and Legg Mason Wood Walker Inc.

The fund will be managed by Nuveen Advisory Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of John Nuveen & Co. Inc. Nuveen Advisory Corp. is the manager for 17 other Nuveen exchange-traded funds and 14 open-end fund portfolios with total combined assets of more than $13 billion.

The fund's primary investment objective is current income free from federal income tax. A secondary investment objective is the enhancement of portfolio value through the selection of undervalued or underrated securities.

The fund expects to declare its first tax-free dividend to shareholders about 60 days, and pay it about 90 days, after the closing of this offering.

Approximately three to six months after completion of this offering, the fund intends to offer shares of preferred stock, subject to authorization by the fund's board of directors. The preferred shares, if issued, are expected to pay dividends based on short-term tax-exempt rates.

Nuveen has sponsored more than $40 billion of tax-free trusts and funds owned by over 700,000 investors nationwide. Founded in 1898 with headquarters in Chicago, Nuveen is the nation's oldest and largest investment banking firm specializing in the underwriting, trading and marketing of municipal bonds, and of tax-free unit trusts, mutual funds and exchange-traded funds.

For more complete information, including a prospectus which explains all charges and expenses, investors should contact their securities representatives or John Nuveen & Co. Inc., 333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60606. Investors should read the prospectus carefully before they invest or send money.

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Jeff Kratz, 312/917-7749

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Gas and Electric Co. Wednesday announced that it has completed the sale of $129 million in Medium-Term Notes.

Maturities range from two years to seven years and the notes carry interest

rates ranging from 8.10 percent to 9.09 percent. Proceeds from the sale of the notes are for the general use of the company.

First Boston Corp., Morgan Stanley & Co. and Goldman, Sachs & Co. are the agents for the PG&E Medium-Term Note program.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The Pacific Gas and Electric Company board of directors Wednesday authorized the purchase on the open market or in negotiated transactions of up to $750 million of the company's common stock.

The purchases will be made over the next two and one-half years and will be used primarily to offset new shares issued through the employee stock ownership plan and the shareholder dividend reinvestment plan.

In January of this year, directors authorized $500 million for repurchases. About 19 million shares have been repurchased to date under that authorization.

PG&E has 418 million shares of common stock outstanding.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Transco Energy Co. Wednesday said that the attorney general of the state of Alabama has filed suit against Transco Energy Co., certain of its subsidiaries and certain other parties alleging violations of the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO) and certain other federal and state laws in connection with the 1987 construction of its Mobile Bay pipeline lateral.

The attorney general is seeking damages of approximately $38 million for an alleged RICO violation and $55 million for other claims. RICO actions, if sustained, provide for treble damages and the recovery of attorney's fees.

Transco President and Chief Executive Officer George S. Slocum said: ''We categorically deny the attorney general's allegations that any fraud was perpetrated on the state, and Transco will vigorously defend itself against the attorney general's accusations. Any allegation of impropriety with regard to Transco and its relationships with EMANCO Inc. and New World Research Inc. in their performance of services related to environmental, archaeological and

cultural resource compliance is totally unwarranted.

''We employed more than 50 archaeologists during the planning and construction of the pipeline to assure compliance with applicable laws and protect and preserve the cultural resources of the state of Alabama. Transco has been working cooperatively with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's staff and Alabama officials to demonstrate that there were no adverse impacts, archaeologically or environmentally, on the state of Alabama as a result of the construction of the pipeline.''

Slocum continued, ''Transco has been a responsible corporate citizen of Alabama for more than 40 years and has more than $400 million invested in the state and would do nothing to injure the state's resources.''

CONTACT: Transco Energy Co., Houston
Katherine E. Kemper, 713/439-2455

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Kaypro Corp. Wednesday filed a report in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court detailing operations for the month of November.

The operating report is required by the court while the computer manufacturing company remains under protection of Chapter 11 bankruptcy.

The report showed gross sales of $880,000 and a net operating profit of $11,168. This is the third month that Kaypro has reported profitable operations since the installation of new upper management last August.

Kaypro filed for Chapter 11 protection last March following a lengthy period of financial difficulties. In June, the computer manufacturer's creditors supported a motion for Chapter 7 conversion, noting further financial problems. In August, Geoffrey W. Soule' was appointed the company's new president and chief executive officer.

A court hearing in October resulted in a dismissal of the Chapter 7 motion and citing positive financial progress, the case was taken off the calendar.

According to Soule', November's figures reflect the strong showing Kaypro made at COMDEX, the huge computer industry trade show that took place in Las Vegas last month. Kaypro previously reported receiving over $1 million in orders at the show.

''We are continuing to pursue the mass merchandisers and develop our dealer network,'' said Soule'. ''Although October's sales were off a bit due to postponed deliveries, we continue to see our sales and operational strategies beginning to produce some impressive results.''

Soule' further noted: ''We are keeping day-to-day operations very streamlined. We have begun to fill orders from a large local warehouse-type merchandiser which definitely will enhance December and January sales. The upward trend continues toward Kaypro's profitability.''

With nearly four decades of experience in the high tech/electronics industry, Kaypro is an internationally recognized brand name. Currently, Kaypro Corp. enjoys a user base of more than a half-million computer systems worldwide and markets a full line of microcomputers for businesses and individuals.

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Nancy Casey, 619/259-1288

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KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - La Petite Academy Inc. (LPAI) announced that, based on the results for October and November, earnings for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1990 are expected to be below the fourth quarter of 1989.

Factors affecting the substantial change from analysts' projections involved both revenues and expenses.

The percentage increase in average daily revenues in the fourth quarter are below the levels anticipated based upon the percentage increase in average daily revenues for September.

Expenses for the fourth quarter are higher than anticipated as a result of facility enhancements and accelerated purchases of equipment and supplies in a majority of the child care and preschool education centers. In addition, wages have increased due to increases in minimum wage rates.

La Petite Academy Inc., the second largest system of child care and preschool education centers, serves approximately 81,000 children through its 747 centers in 33 states.

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BEDMINSTER, NJ (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - NUI Corp. (NYSE:NUI) and Pennsylvania Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ:PENT) announced jointly Wednesday the continuation of their merger agreement through March 1, 1991.

NUI has agreed to acquire Pennsylvania Enterprises Inc. (PEI) following the sale of PEI's water operations to another buyer.

United Water Resources Inc. (NYSE:UWR) had agreed to buy the water operations, but in November announced that it had determined not to proceed with the acquisition.

Yesterday, UWR announced that its agreement to purchase those operations had terminated.

NUI and PEI stated that, during the extension period, they will jointly seek, evaluate and develop other proposals for the purchase of PEI's water operations, which may include the purchase by NUI of both the gas and water operations of PEI.

As previously announced, satisfactory disposition of the water operations remains a condition to the obligation of NUI and PEI to proceed with their pending merger transaction.

The merger agreement between NUI and PEI provides for stockholders of PEI to receive from NUI $52.05 for each share of PEI common stock.

Forty percent of the aggregate purchase price will be payable in cash and the remaining 60 percent in shares of NUI common stock, valued at the average price over 20 trading days prior to the merger.

In no event will PEI stockholders receive more than 3.0 shares or fewer than 2.6 shares for each full share of PEI common stock exchanged for NUI common stock.

Immediately following the merger of PEI into NUI, Pennyslvania Gas and Water Co. (PG&W), PEI's wholly-owned subsidiary, will be merged into NUI.

PEI, headquartered in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. is an exempt public utility holding company whose prinicpal subsidiary, the Pennsylvania Gas and Water Co., serves approximately 127,000 natural gas customers and 129,000 water customers in northeastern Pennsylvania.

NUI, headquartered in Bedminster, is an exempt public utility holding company engaged in the distribution of natural gas to approximately 300,000 customers in New Jersey and Florida.

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ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NJ (DEC. 19) BUISNESS WIRE - Alain Labergere has been elected vice president of CPC International Inc. effective January 1, 1991 when he assumes the post of president of the CPC Europe Consumer Foods Division, headquartered in Brussels.

Labergere joined CPC in 1983 as consumer operations general manager in France, and prior to that had been associated with Singer Corporation and BSN. Since April of this year, Labergere has served in Brussels as CPC Europe Consumer Foods Division vice president regional operations.

Born in France in 1934, Labergere is a 1957 graduate of the Ecole des Hautes Etudes Commerciales.

As the new president of CPC Europe Consumer Foods, Labergere will succeed Ronald K. Moss who plans to retire from the company December 31 after having served in key positions of CPC for over 21 years.

Moss has been president of the CPC Europe Consumer Foods Division since 1987 and prior to that was senior vice president for northern Europe operations.

CPC's worldwide consumer foods business accounts for approximately 80% of the company's total sales. Best-known among its U.S. brands are: Hellmann's and Best Foods mayonnaise, Mazola corn oil and margarine, Skippy peanut butter, Thomas' English muffins, Arnold breads, Mueller's pasta products, and Karo and Golden Griddle syrups.

In Europe, the company's best known products include Knorr soups, sauces, bouillons, seasonings, and snack meals; Alsa, Ambrosia, and Yabon desserts; Santa Rosa jams and tomato products; Maizena and Mondamin starches and kitchen aids, Banania and Benco powdered breakfast drinks; Hellmann's mayonnaise; and Napolina Italian foods. CPC is also one of the largest corn refiners with operations in North America and Latin America. Worldwide, CPC International has operations in 47 countries including 112 plants.

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GREENBRAE, CALIF. (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Construction of the first 18-hole championship golf course and country club in the USSR is one giant step closer to reality today with the announcement by California-based American International Golf Resorts that it will enter into a joint venture with

Upedika of the U.S.S.R. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in completing the development of the Moscow Golf and Country Club, the first official 18-hole Soviet golf course and resort.

The 72-par course, located 18 miles from Red Square in Moscow, will stretch from 5,600 yards for beginners to over 6,800 yards for competitions.

Envisioned and designed over 15 years ago by Robert Trent Jones II, the driving force behind the project and one of the world's leading golf course architects, the golf course has been on the drawing boards since 1974 and is to be developed, initially, as a recreational living, sporting and entertainment complex similar to its American counterparts, primarily for the use of the foreign diplomatic corp and visiting businessmen.

Lisanti added that his firm's sights are set on a 1991 opening when the driving range, 18-hole course and 20,000-square-foot clubhouse are completed. AIGR will supervise the construction as well as assume all management responsibilities.

The joint venture funding, according to AIGR's Lisanti, will be used to:

a) Complete the championship 18-hole golf course designed by Robert Trent Jones II;

b) Operate the existing 175-bed luxury hotel complete with restaurant, bar, conference rooms, 300-seat theater, entertainment lounge and casino;

c) Construct a state-of-the-art communication satellite;

d) Construct and furnish the elegant two-story clubhouse complete with its own dining, recreational, conference and merchandising areas;

e) Install an enclosed sports center with large swimming pools, three tennis courts and workout and aerobic facilities;

f) Construct 50-plus individual luxury villas to serve both as home and office for international businessmen;

g) Launch a promotional membership drive throughout the world.

Although the golfing season in Moscow is only six months long, a marketing study has determined that 74 percent of the major world corporations in the area would join and use the Moscow Golf and Country Club facility on a regular basis.

The complex, including three lakes, has been designed with both privacy and comfort in mind, all within a fenced and gated area for maximum security. Located down a private one-mile road away from a major all-weather highway,

the facility lies along a ''magnificent country-side and pine forest.''

Equipped with its own heating and sewage plants, this facility will be fully operable throughout the season.

As an added attraction to membership with the Moscow Golf and Country Club will be the ability to exchange privileges with outher AIGR resort facilities to be built throughout the Soviet Union.

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BURBANK, CA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - DAROX Interactive, the nation's largest producer of interactive videodiscs for the healthcare community, Wednesday announced the release of the first in a brand new series of programs marketed under the DxTER tradename.

DxTER's NURSING DIAGNOSIS No. 1 and No. 2 is the first interactive program dealing with the subject to come to market and is the first in a revolutionary series of discs dealing with Nursing Process, according to David Allan, DxTER founder and chief medical advisor.

The program teaches the diagnosis and treatment of human responses to actual or potential health problems that nurses are capable and licensed to treat, as well as clinical judgments about an individual, family or community derived through a systematic process of data collection and analysis.

Until now, the concept of NURSING DIAGNOSIS has been difficult to teach, and equally difficult getting nurses to use the concept in practice. DxTER program offers in-depth interaction with seven patients and provides immediate feedback regarding the validity of the learner's diagnosis through a realistic set of scenarios captured on video.

Aptly described as ''artificial reality,'' interactive video discs meld microcomputer, touch screen monitor, and 12-inch laser disc into an exciting learning environment that relies on instant decision-making for simulated real-time events.

Jodie Hulden, project designer for NURSING DIAGNOSIS, points out that her program is designed to give nurses ample practice in making multiple diagnoses whereas in an actual hospital setting such practice would be severely limited.

Over the next 18 months, DAROX Interactive will issue its new series of 36 interactive discs targeting medical and nursing schools, hospitals and the military, throughout the United States, Denmark and Japan. The new DxTER

catalogue will include such ambitious topics as AIDS for Healthcare Professionals, Risk Management, and Coping With Death and Dying, greatly expanding DxTER's highly respected interactive library.

DAROX Interactive, now fully based in Burbank, will follow the release of NURSING DIAGNOSIS with NURSING CARE PLANS, and DISCHARGE PLANS, to round out its innovative series on Nursing Process. Subject Matter Experts for the series are Amy Rex Smith, clinical nurse specialist at Foothill Presbyterian Center in Glendora, Calif., and Ann E. Kelly, MSN, Veterans Adminstration Medical Center, La Jolla, Calif.

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SANTA BARBARA, CALIF. (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - ExperTelligence announces record revenues for the year ending Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues reached $1.2 million for the year vs. $875,000, for the preceding year ending Sept. 30, 1989. ''This is the first time our company has passed the million dollar mark in revenues, with a growth of 36 percent from the preceding year. This shows that there is a growing acceptance of our products and services,'' said Denison Bollay, the company president and chief executive officer.

During the year 1990, the company made very important strategic moves. Portable versions of Action! were developed on the native Macintosh, Sun and IBM PS/2. The Macintosh version was made available in June 1990 and works with Procyon Common Lisp (CLOS).

The Sun and IBM version will be available in the first half of 1991. For the first time, major applications were developed by large companies using ExperTelligence's development environment -- Chicago Board of Trade, Rockwell, McDonnell Douglas, Singer-Librascope and Ameritech.

In all these cases, applications were developed in only a few months vs. a few years initially planned. Talks were also initiated with potential and current investors to raise, through a ''private placement,'' $3 million in additional equity. This would bring ExperTelligence to a level where the company can be re-listed on the NASDAQ quotation system.

The net result for the year is a loss of $153,000 vs. a profit of $197,000 the previous year. ''This figure is in line with management's expectations,'' said John E. Forge, executive vice president and chief operating officer. ''It essentially reflects the emphasis put on accelerating the porting of Action! to Smalltalk and SPOKE and the extensions to the native Macintosh, IBM

SUN and other platforms.''

With its Action! product line, ExperTelligence offers the most advanced object-oriented development environment allowing developers to instantaneously port across platforms and graphical interfaces (''adaptive portability'').
For further information, contact Dr. John E. Forge, executive vice president, telephone: 805/967-1797 or fax: 805/964-8448.

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IRVINE, CALIF. (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Diceon Electronics Inc. (OTC:DICN) Wednesday unanimously recommended that Diceon's stockholders reject Calvary Holdings Inc.'s unsolicited tender offer.

The Diceon board unanimously determined that the $5.25 per share amount of the offer is inadequate and that, in light of the company's future prospects, Diceon's remaining an independent, publicly held company would be a superior alternative to acceptance of Calvary Holdings' offer.

In rejecting the Calvary Holdings' offer, the board relied in part on the opinion of Diceon's financial advisor, Kidder, Peabody & Co. Inc., that the price to be paid in the Calvary Holdings' offer to Diceon's stockholders (other than Calvary Holdings and its affiliates) is inadequate from a financial point of view.

The board also considered the belief of management that Diceon's recent restructuring and its related business strategy will produce greater values for Diceon's stockholders than a sale of Diceon at this time.

''The board does not believe that the offer price reflects the intrinsic value of Diceon today or the values that we believe our restructuring and strategic plan will, if successful, deliver in the future,'' said Peter S. Jonas, vice chairman and executive vice president.

''The tender offer is highly conditional and wholly unfinanced, and the board has substantial doubts that Calvary Holdings will be able to satisfy its own financing condition. In any case, we believe that now is not the time to sell the company. Diceon's management and employees intend to continue to operate our business and service our customers.''

The Diceon board of directors also determined not to take any action that would render the Delaware business combination statute inapplicable to the Calvary Holdings' offer and the transactions contemplated thereby.

The board also has determined to oppose Calvary Holdings' proposed amendments to Diceon's bylaws, which amendments would result in the disqualification of all of the existing members of the board.

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RAHWAY, NJ (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Merck & Co., Inc., the world's largest prescription pharmaceutical company, Wednesday announced a $29 million expansion of its Kelco Division's biogum production facilities at San Diego, Calif., and Okmulgee, Okla.

Biogums, produced through fermentation at both plant sites, are used as stabilizing, suspending, thickening and gelling agents in food products such as salad dressing, as well as in various industrial applications, including oil and gas well drilling.

Manufacturing xanthan gum is traditionally extremely capital and energy intensive due to the requirements of the fermentation process.

Recent U.S. Food and Drug Administration approval for gellan gum and increasing interest from industry in applications for rhamsan and welan gums will also require additional capacity, Mosher said.

Kelco, a division of Merck & Co., Inc., is based in San Diego and is the world's leading producer of algin and biogums, including xanthan gum. The world's largest and only North American xanthan gum facilities are operated by Kelco in San Diego and Okmulgee. Kelco's biogum plant near Liverpool, U.K., supplies Kelco customers throughout Europe and the Middle East.

Merck & Co., Inc. is a worldwide research-intensive company that discovers, develops, produces and markets human and animal health products and specialty chemicals. The company has over 34,500 employees, 17 research centers, manufacturing facilities in 18 countries, and a 1990 research and development budget of $855 million. In 1990, Merck was chosen for the fourth consecutive year as ''America's Most Admired Corporation'' in an annual Fortune magazine survey of 8,000 top executives and industry analysts.

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FORT LEE, NJ (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - On-Line Software International Inc. (NYSE:OSI) Wednesday reported net income of $1,165,000 (20 cents per share) for the second quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, a 50 percent increase over net income of $774,000 (13 cents per share) for the comparable quarter last year.

Revenuesof $25,376,000 for the second quarter are the highest quarterly revenues in the company's history and are 17 percent higher than last year's second quarter revenues of $21,728,000.

An increase in domestic revenue reflects product upgrades and maintenance growth. An increase in international revenue reflects growth in all areas particularly led by maintenance and product license fees.

For the six months ended Nov. 30, 1990, income before extraordinary gain was $1,464,000 (25 cents per share) more than a 50 percent increase compared to $967,000 (16 cents per share) last year. In contrast to last year's net income, which included an extraordinary gain from the acquisition of the company's convertible subordinated debentures of $151,000 (3 cents per share), there were no acquisitions of debentures in the current year.

On-Line Software International Inc., is a NYSE listed company (OSI) headquartered in Fort Lee. The 21 year-old firm combines consulting and educational services with CICS, DB2 (TM), CASE, and End User DBMS and development software products that enhance the productivity of IBM computer system users.

As a Charter Vendor Member of IDUG, the International DB2 User Group and a Founding Member of R/AD, the International User Group for Repository and AD/Cycle (TM), On-Line Software supports the IBM user community.

With 16 domestic and international offices, On-Line Software's distribution network services over 30 countries. The company is an IBM Business Partner that has products and professional services utilized by all Fortune 100 IBM mainframe sites.

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CINCINNATI (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The City of Cincinnati and the Greater Cincinnati Convention and Visitors Bureau have signed a settlement with Hart Productions Inc., plaintiff in a $12 million lawsuit, to grant Hart and similar producers of large local events the opportunity to schedule date preferences for the Albert B. Sabin Cincinnati Convention Center five years in

advance.

This was announced Tuesday by the attorneys for the defendant and plaintiff. Amount of the settlement was not disclosed.

The suit was filed 16 months ago by Hart Productions, a 31-year Cincinnati show producer, against the Bureau and City. The charges of bureau/city agreements to restrain trade and to monopolize use of the Convention Center were based on alleged violations of the Sherman Antitrust Act.

The Sherman Act, passed in 1890, prohibits restraint of trade. The settlement agreement provides that both defendants deny and continue to deny that either or both of them violated this law.

Under terms of the settlement, qualified producers of large local events now will be able to schedule date preferences for space at the Convention Center up to five years in advance.

Formerly, a local event could be pre-empted or ''bumped'' by any out-of-town convention or trade show up to 14 months before the date of the local event. Hart Productions claimed that knowing the exact show date only 14 months in advance made it impossible to effectively plan large local shows.

The settlement states that dates of large local events may be adjusted as long as the new dates are within the same general time frame.

Under the terms of the settlement, the City every three years can review and change the number of days reserved by large public events. Any such changes would be based upon shifts in the local economy as well as changes in the value of the local events to the City and community.

Hart Production's President Robert S. ''Chip'' Hart III has maintained that the priority of the Center should be the attraction of local public events as well as out-of-town conventions and trade shows.

In preparation for the litigation before U.S. District Judge Carl B. Rubin, Hart's attorneys at Taft, Stettinius & Hollister had commissioned a study which found that the real-dollar impact to the Cincinnati economy of Hart's 9-day 1990 Travel, Sports & Boat Show amounted to between $945,000 and $1,599,000 daily.

The study focused only on dollars added to the economy, as opposed to money simply re-allocated from one part of the economy to another, said Hart. It also took into consideration any event-related money taken away from Cincinnati. The study was conducted by Harold L. Bryant, Ph.D., and David R. Weinberg, Ph.D., both of the College of Business Administration at Xavier University, Cincinnati.

Hart said that other economic impact studies indicated that his shows generate financial benefit for the Cincinnati area equal to or greater than that generated by conventions and trade shows.

The Albert B. Sabin Convention Center is owned and operated by the City. However, the City assigned to the Greater Cincinnati Convention & Visitors Bureau the responsibility for marketing the Center to conventions and trade shows.

The Bureau is a member association founded by the downtown hotels. Some 90 percent of the bureau's funds come from public tax money collected on the use of all hotel rooms in Hamilton County.

Hart Production's began 31 years ago in Cincinnati by producing what is now called the Cincinnati Travel, Sports & Boat Show. It later added the Cincinnati Home & Garden Show, The Auto Expo, The Kitchen, Bath & Design Show and The Kroger Show, at the Convention Center. The Hart organization was founded by Robert S. Hart Jr., who currently is the organization's chairman.

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BELLEVUE, WA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - PenWest (NASDAQ: PENW) had record sales and increased earnings for the first quarter ended Nov. 30, according to Tod R. Hamachek, chief executive officer.

The company earned $2.1 million, up 18 percent from $1.8 million in the comparable quarter a year ago. Earnings per share were 28 cents compared with 24 cents. Record sales, up 23 percent, were $25.8 million vs. $20.9 million.

"Our base business remains extremely strong," Hamachek said. "We have been particularly successful in converting paper mills from commodity starches to our high-end specialty starches."

He also cited rapid growth in sales and market share for PenWest's agricultural nutrition products, and increased sales of products related to food and pharmaceuticals. To accommodate growing demand for the company's core products, the company began a plant expansion that will increase finishing capacity by 30 percent.

Also during the quarter, PenWest successfully launched PenGloss, a starch-based substitute for latex in paper coating binders. "We have booked steady, repeat orders for PenGloss," Hamachek said. "The sales level is consistent with our previously published expectations. Quality has been excellent and production runs confirm that it outperforms latex."

He said the company's Cedar Rapids plant was shipping PenGloss by rail and truck to paper manufacturers who are using it in the production of rotogravure and web offset light-weight coated papers.

PenWest develops, manufactures, and markets specialty carbohydrate and synthetic polymer chemicals for papermaking. The company also produces and markets specialty food ingredients and agricultural nutrition supplements.

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BROOKLINE, MA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Grove Bank (NASDAQ:GROV) announced Wednesday that the board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 9 cents per share on the 1,470,417 shares outstanding.

The dividend is payable Jan. 28, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 14, 1991.

Thomas R. Venables, president and chief executive officer, announced the vote with the following comment: ''Although our region and our industry are entering a third year of crisis, the fundamental measures of Grove's soundness and potential for earnings growth - factors upon which this dividend vote is based - remain very favorable.''

Grove Bank's total assets on Sept. 30, 1990, were $209.8 million and stockholder's equity was $26.1 million or 12.44 percent of assets. Book value per share was $17.74 on Sept. 30, 1990.

Grove Bank, a Massachusetts-chartered stock savings bank has offices in Brighton, Natick, and Brookline. The bank's deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) and the Deposit Insurance Fund of Masschusetts (DIFM).

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NASHUA, NH (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Lockheed Sanders has been awarded an additional $5 million option to a U.S. Army contract for delivery of 165 T-1360A/ALQ-144A transmitter spares along with the upgrade of 150 AN/ALQ 144 Infrared Countermeasure systems to the AN/ALQ 144A configuration.

The contracting activity is the U.S. Army Missile Command, Fort Monmouth, N.J. Work will be performed in Nashua. N.H. and is scheduled to be completed by January 1992.

The AN/ALQ-144A, developed by Sanders, will provide upgraded protection against Infrared guided missiles. More than 3,000 ALQ-144's now protect a wide variety of helicopters and fixed wing aircraft for the U.S. Army, Navy and Air Force. The ALQ-144A will provide added coverage to meet the threat of improved missiles. This contract brings to approximately $44 million the total award from the Army earlier this year and in 1989 for upgraded AN/ALQ-144 systems.

Lockheed Sanders is engaged in development, manufacture and sale of advanced electronic systems and products in a broad range of defense electronics markets. The company is a leading producer of electronic and infrared countermeasures for aircraft self-protection.

Other major product areas include radars, digital avionics, signal processing, ocean surveillance, antisubmarine warfare, air defense, training and simulation, automatic test systems, command and control, airspace management, and high technology components.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - At its meeting Tuesday, Westvaco management reviewed with the company's board of directors the recent softening in the economies of the United States, Brazil and other parts of the world.

In addition, management also reviewed plans to reduce capital spending in 1991 by extending completion dates of various capital jobs.

Plans to reduce many categories of cost in 1991 were discussed. The compensation of senior members of the organization for 1991 has been frozen.

The full scope of the plans for capital spending and cost reduction will be released as they are completed.

John A. Luke, president and chief executive officer of Westvaco said, ''The company has just reported strong performance in its 1990 fiscal year which ended on Oct. 31. These new plans represent a prudent response to external circumstances and are designed to keep the company vigorous and healthy.''

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FAIRFIELD, CT (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Paolo Fresco, senior vice president-GE International, has been elected to General Electric's board of directors.

Based in London, Fresco has been the head of GE International since 1985. He has played a key role in several significant GE transactions including the acquisition of a controlling interest in Tungsram of Hungary; GE's joint ventures with GEC of the United Kingdom; the swap with Thomson SA of France involving GE's consumer electronics business and Thomson's CGR medical diagnostic imaging business; and the sale of Utah International to Broken Hill Proprietary Co. Ltd. of Australia.

Fresco, 57, an Italian citizen, joined GE in 1962 as a lawyer with the company's Italian subsidiary. He subsequently held operating and staff positions of increasing responsibility throughout the world. A graduate in law from the University of Genoa, Fresco practiced law in Rome between 1955 and 1962.

GE Chairman John F. Welch Jr. said, ''Paolo Fresco brings to the GE board the international experience and expertise that is so important in today's world. Adding his broad global perspective to the board is another step in GE's progress in becoming a truly global company.''

Fresco's election increases the board's membership to 19, comprising 15 external directors and four members of GE management.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Hamilton Robinson & Co. Inc., Wednesday announced that Scott I. Oakford, 35, formerly a vice president with the firm, has been named a managing director.

Oakford joined Hamilton Robinson in early 1989. Since beginning his financial career at Chemical Bank, where he worked in corporate and leveraged buyout lending, he has acquired more than 12 years of experience in buyout transactions, as well as principal investing in middle market companies. He

has a degree in economics from Claremont McKenna College.

Hamilton Robinson & Co. Inc., is a New York-based private investment firm. It manages a $40 million fund for management buyouts and other investments in middle-market growth companies.

Hamilton Robinson's most recent transaction was the $100 million acquisition of Deutz-Allis Corp., the fourth largest farm equipment manufacturer in the United States. Completed in June 1990, the transaction deleveraged Deutz-Allis. Financing was provided by equity funds and the sales of receivables; no senior or mezzanine financing was required.

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STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson has been appointed Telephone systems and Digital Telephones Official Provider for the 1992 Olympic Games in Barcelona, Spain.

The contract includes supply of an advanced private telecommunications network for use by the Olympic staff, participants and journalists.

The telecommunications network will be based on Ericsson's MD110 digital PBX. The project includes 10,500 extensions, 150 of which are cordless, installed in more than 50 different sites. The project also calls for 2,500 digital phones, Ericsson's operator support system and network management system.

The private communications network is being integrated with Spain's public telephone network. Most of the Olympic events will be held in Barcelona, but some will be held at other locations, totalling 14. Telecommunications from these towns will be routed through the public network, with the functional level maintained for users.

The MD110 can also be used for data transmissions. The system will also serve as a back-up to the Olympic's main computer network. Locations that are not linked to the computer network, due to their distance from the main complex in Barcelona, will transmit data through the MD110.

As an integral part of the MD110 system, 150 cordless extensions will be included in the communications network. The cordless telephones will be provided mainly to VIP guests and the Olympic organizers. Ericsson's CT3 Technology for cordless business communication allows full mobility within the communications network, combined with continuous opportunity to make and recieive interference-free phone calls.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications. Ericsson is recognized for its advanced systems and products for wired and mobile communications in public and private networks.

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CLEVELAND (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Brush Wellman Inc. (NYSE:BW) announced that the Board of Directors has elected Thomas G. Maschke as Controller of the Corporation effective January 1, 1991. Mr. Mashke will replace Daniel Paradiso, who is retiring following 31 years of service to Brush Wellman.

Mr. Maschke joined the Company in 1978 as a Senior Internal Auditor and served as Director of Audit Operations, Manager of Strategic Planning and Controller of the Alloy Division before becoming Assistant Controller of the Corporation in April, 1990. His previous experience was with TRW and in public accounting. Mr. Maschke is a graduate of Kent State University, holds a master of business administration degree from John Carroll University, and is a CPA. He and his wife Linda reside in Mayfield Village.

Brush Wellman Inc., with headquarters in Cleveland, Ohio, is a manufacturer of engineered materials. The Company and its subsidiaries supply worldwide markets with beryllium, beryllium alloys, beryllia ceramic, precious metal products, and specialty metal systems.

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WYOMISSING, PA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Sovereign Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:SVRN), declared Wednesday a 20 percent stock dividend, in effect, a 6-for-5 stock dividend, and increased the quarterly cash dividend to 3 cents per share.

As a result of the stock dividend the shares outstanding will increase 20 percent to approximately 3.3 million shares. The stock dividend will be effected by means of distribution of one share of additional common stock for every five shares held on the record date and a check for payment of any fractional shares created by the stock dividend.

''The combination of the stock and cash dividend increase will result in a 44 percent increase in cash dividends for our stockholders in 1991,'' said Jay S. Sidhu, president and chief executive officer.

''The Sovereign board believes that this move in this environment should be in the best long-term interest of our shareholders,'' Sidhu went on to say.

The additional shares necessary to effect the stock dividend will be distributed on Feb. 15, 1991 to common stockholders of record on Jan. 31, 1991. The quarterly cash dividend of 3 cents per share is payable on Feb. 15, 1991 to common stockholders of record on Feb. 1, 1991. The cash dividend will be paid on the new number of shares held by each holder after the stock dividend.

Fred Jaindl, chairman of the board, stated, ''We are very pleased that financial strength has made it possible for Sovereign to declare a stock dividend and increase the cash dividend. These declarations are part of our ongoing commitment to maximizing shareholder value.''

Sovereign Bancorp Inc. is the parent company for Penn Savings Bank and Yardley Bank for Savings, with assets exceeding $1.28 billion. It was recently ranked the 20th best performing thrift in the country in an analysis conducted by United States Banker Magazine.

Sovereign is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol SVRN. The closing price on Sovereign's stock on Monday Dec. 17 was $9.50.

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LITTLE ROCK, AK (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - First Commercial Corp. (FCC) (NASDAQ/NMS:FCLR) and First Commercial Bank, N.A. (FCB), announced Wednesday that their respective boards of directors have elected Barnett Grace to succeed William H. Bowen, effective at year-end upon Bowen's retirement.

Grace will succeed Bowen as chairman of the board and chief executive officer of FCC. Grace will also retain his current title of president of FCC. At FCB Grace will succeed Bowen as chairman of the board and will continue as the bank's chief executive officer.

Grace, in commenting on his election, stated: ''I am honored to have been elected to succeed Bill Bowen. The two of us and the majority of our other executive management team members have worked together for nearly twenty years. We as a team, have forged a strong corporate culture based solidly on a commitment to quality in every aspect of our business.

''This orientation drives our efforts in terms of customer service, internal

operations, and overall financial performance and stability. Our customers and shareholders can expect a continuation of these emphases which have characterized our organization under Bill Bowen's leadership.

''First Commercial will continue to be dedicated to providing the utmost in customer satisfaction, superior financial results and returns to shareholders, and meaningful community leadership, all within the context of a fundamentally conservative management orientation.

''Our belief is that this formula, carried out by the outstanding bankers we have throughout our organization, will produce future results consistent with past accomplishments and will reinforce First Commercial's standing as Arkansas' premier financial institution.''

CONTACT: First Commercial Corp., Little Rock
William Garner, 501/371-7088.

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STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Senior Service Corp. (NASDAQ: SENR; BSE: SNR), industry leader in adult day care services, has entered into an agreement in principle to merge with National Health Industries, Louisville, Ky. in an exchange of stock.

The announcement was made jointly by Senior Service Corp. Chairman and CEO, Kenneth B. Hamlet, who assumed his present position in October following nine years as president and CEO of Holiday Inns Inc. and National Health's President, William B. Yarmuth, who founded the company in 1981.

The transaction is scheduled to close within 30 days. At that time, the company proposes to change its name to National Senior Industries.

Under the terms of the agreement, Senior will issue 4,089,606 shares of common stock for 100 percent of National's common stock, retire for cash $800,000 outstanding in National senior securities, and roll over outstanding options on National shares into its Non Qualified Option Plan.

Following the merger, Hamlet will serve as chairman and CEO and Yarmuth as president and COO of the company. The prinicpal offices will be in Louisville.

In the fiscal year ending March 31, National, as a privately owned company, recorded sales of $19,400,419 and was ''modestly profitable.'' Current sales run rate is ''over $25 million annualized'' with ''continuing profitability.''

Senior Service, founded in 1986, is the industry leader in adult day care services and is the only public company operating in this field. This merger with National, along with Senior's strong financial position, will help the

newly merged company to achieve its aggressive growth plans for the future, predominantly in the home health care industry.

Bedford Capital, New York, represented Senior Service and assisted in the negotiations of the transaction.

CONTACT: Senior Service Corp., Wilton, Conn.
Richard D. Malloy, 203/961-0630

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LONDON (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - British Gas (NYSE:BRG) has entered into an agreement with Peterborough Power Limited to supply gas to the new combined cycle gas turbine power station at Peterborough.

The supply will be 200 million therms a year for 15 years and will start to flow in 1993 when the 360 Megawatt station is commissioned.

The two major participants in Peterborough Power are Eastern Electricity plc and Hawker Siddeley Power Engineering Limited. Eastern Electricity will absorb the entire output of the station and Hawker Siddeley will undertake the construction.

This is the second major power station which has taken its gas supply from British Gas and the company believes this transaction reflects the interest being shown in the long term interruptible gas options which have been made available.

Mr. Cedric Brown, Managing Director, Regional Services, said that British Gas was pleased to be associated with this major project and confirmed that a number of similar projects were in an advanced stage of discussion.

British Gas, headquartered in London, is the largest integrated gas company in the Western world and is primarily involved in the purchase, transmission, and sale of natural gas to domestic, industrial and commercial customers in Great Britain. Important support activities to its marketing efforts include appliance trading and customer service to domestic gas customers. British Gas is also active in the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons both offshore and onshore.

Expertise developed in the gas business is offered for sale overseas through the British Gas International Consultancy Service. American Depositary Receipts are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. One ADR is equivalent to ten ordinary shares.

CONTACT: British Gas plc, London
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Gavin Anderson Doremus & Company, New York
Fred Fajardo, 212/921-1060.

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FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE:PIR), specialty retailer of decorative home furnishings and lawn and garden products Wednesday announced consolidated third quarter results for Pier 1 Imports and Sunbelt Nursery Group.

Pier 1 Imports acquired Sunbelt through the purchase of 50.4 percent of the outstanding shares on Sept. 25, 1990 and the later acquisition of an additional 46 percent of the total shares through a cash tender offer which closed Nov. 21, 1990.

Total company sales for the thirteen week fiscal third quarter ended Dec. 1, 1990 were $145,710,000, the largest third quarter sales in the company's history, up 10.9 percent from $131,349,000 reported for last year's fourteen week fiscal third quarter ended Dec. 2, 1989. Sunbelt contributed $15,538,000 to the sales total. Sales for comparable Pier 1 Imports stores declined by 5 percent while Sunbelt's comparable store sales were flat.

Third quarter operations for the combined companies produced a loss of $1,747,000 or 5 cents per share compared to net income available to common shareholders of $5,677,000 or 16 cents per share in the year earlier quarter. Sunbelt's share of the loss was 4 cents per share.

For the nine months ended Dec. 1, the company had sales of $433,733,000, up 14.1 percent from last year. Net income available for common shareholders was $8,432,000, down from last year's $19,565,000.

''The third quarter was characterized by disappointing sales growth in September and October for the Pier 1 Imports stores,'' said Clark A. Johnson, the firm's chairman and CEO. ''We experienced a solid pickup in November's business with same store sales increases for the first month since July, and that momentum has continued through the first 18 days of our Christmas season.

''Sunbelt produced a third quarter operating loss as projected. This is their weakest sales and income quarter and they too are experiencing a positive Christmas selling season.

''Indicators are that the sales shock which hit our company in early August shows signs of running its course and we expect our fourth quarter which ends March 3, 1991 to show a significant improvement in the bottom line.''

Pier 1 Imports operates 575 stores in 41 states and Canada. Sunbelt operates

96 lawn and garden centers in four Southwestern states.

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Allan E. Jordan or Juliet Singh, 212/532-6300

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Space Systems/Loral, a unit of Loral Corporation, has been awarded a $202.4 million contract from the International Telecommunications Satellite Organization (INTELSAT) for two modified INTELSAT VII spacecraft, to be called INTELSAT VII-As.

The contract includes in-orbit performance incentives that would bring the total program value to about $270 million during the next ten years. The contract also includes an option to purchase additional VII-A spacecraft. The new order brings to seven the number of next-generation INTELSAT VII spacecraft for which Loral is under contract to deliver beginning in 1992.

The two new INTELSAT VII-A spacecraft will have greater Ku-band capacity and higher power global transponders than the INTELSAT VII series. Once launched, the VII-A spacecraft are expected to improve signal handling capability, enable the use of smaller ground stations and open new markets for the INTELSAT cooperative. The INTELSAT VII-As will replace INTELSAT V-As, which will end their operation in 1995-96.

The first delivery of the VII-A spacecraft will be in 1994.

Space Systems/Loral is the prime contractor on the INTELSAT program, with cooperation from Alcatel, N.V. and Mitsubishi. Salenia Spazio S.p.A. also is participating.

Loral Corporation (NYSE:LOR) is a high-technology company that concentrates in defense electronics and space communications.

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PROVIDENCE, RI (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Fleet/Norstar Financial Group Wednesday declared regular dividends of $3.00 per share and $1.625 per share on the corporation's Series I and II preferred stock, respectively, it was announced by Terrence Murray, chairman and chief

executive officer.

The Series I and II preferred stock dividends will be payable on Jan. 15, 1991 to stockholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

Fleet/Norstar Financial Group is a diversified national financial services company listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE:FNG). Fleet/Norstar has approximately 1,000 offices in 40 states. Its lines of business include commercial and consumer banking, mortgage banking, consumer finance, asset-based lending, trust banking, student loan processing, and investment banking.

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MILWAUKEE (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Fiserv Inc. recently signed an agreement with Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company of Boston, to take over processing for the company's ''NOW'' item processing unit.

Under the agreement, both parties will facilitate transfer of Boston Safe's processing business to Fiserv. Management of this business will be handled through a new Fiserv Center in Boston.

''We are pleased to bring Boston Safe and their clients our local Fiserv Center's 21 years experience in meeting the specialized requirements for data processing among banks in New England,'' says Leslie M. Muma, president and chief operating officer of Fiserv Inc. ''We currently service over 90 financial institutions in the area, and look forward to bringing our highest standards for service quality to our new clients.''

Under the agreement, Fiserv has offered employment to the Boston Safe employees currently engaged in the ''NOW'' item processing service. The processing operations will continue to be based at the Boston Safe Client Services Center in Medford, Mass., for at least the next several months as Fiserv negotiates for space to house its future operations in the immediate Boston area.

''Banks throughout the nation are turnng more and more to the economies of outsourcing,'' comments George D. Dalton, chairman and chief executive officer of Fiserv.

''As an independent, national provider of data processing services for financial institutions, Fiserv is uniquely qualified to help these institutions realize the long-term, practical benefits of outsourcing to a specialized resource. In addition to our New England sites in Massachusetts and Connecticut, Fiserv also has nine major item processing facilities located in California, Kentucky, Minnesota, Texas, Washington and Wisconsin.''

The Fiserv agreement was formed with the best interests of the clients and employees of Boston Safe in mind. ''Boston Safe's clients will benefit from having the continuity of their local team of professionals, supported by the specialized resources of Fiserv and dedicated to serving banks in the New England area,'' said Larry Morse, president of the Fiserv Center in New Haven and the newly established Boston Center.

Boston Safe will continue to offer correspondent services, excluding ''NOW'' processing, to these same clients. Its total thrift client base numbers approximately 121 financial institutions, of which nearly 60 contract for the ''NOW'' processing service.

In early November, Fiserv and First Bank Milwaukee announced a similar agreement for outsourcing some of the Wisconsin bank's item processing operations such as check processing related functions to Fiserv. Management and day-to-day responsibility for these functions are to be handled through the Fiserv Data Center in Milwaukee. First Bank Milwaukee is part of First Bank System, a regional bank holding company headquartered in the Upper Midwest with assets of $19.2 billion.

Formed in 1984, Fiserv, a Milwaukee-based company, has grown into a national network of specialized financial information management and data processing centers. Through its multiple locations, the company processes and reports on daily transactions for over 19 million customer accounts among approximately 1,000 financial institutions.

In 1989, the company's annual revenues were over $164 million, an increase of 31 percent over the prior year's record. A publicly held company, Fiserv stock is traded in the NASDAQ over-the-counter market system under the symbol FISV.

Data Processing and Remote Service Centers Baton Rouge, La.; Beaumont, Texas; Bowling Green, Ky.; Chicago; Cleveland; Dallas; Fresno, Calif.; Hartford, Conn.; Honolulu; Houston; Los Angeles; McAllen, Texas; Milwaukee; Minneapolis; New Haven, Conn.; San Antonio; Seattle; Spokane, Wash.; Tampa, Fla.; Titusville, Fla.

Subsidiaries First Trust Corp., Denver; Fiserv Forms & Graphics Division, Seattle; Sendero Corp., Scottsdale, Ariz.

CONTACT: Fiserv Inc., Milwaukee

George D. Dalton, 414/546-5000.

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COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Partech Holdings Corp. (NASDAQ:APHC; BSE:PTH.B), an equipment leasing company, announced Wednesday that it has appointed Robert P. Kuntz of Boca Raton, Fla., to the position of president and Mark S. Miller of Columbus to the position of vice president and general counsel.

Kuntz is a director and the president of Partech and each of its wholly-owned subsidiaries. From 1973 to 1981, Kuntz served as president, director and then chairman of the board of Can-Am Securities. During the years 1970 to 1982, Can-Am raised approximately $650 million in public partnerships from more than 30,000 limited partners. Kuntz has been involved in the development and marketing of investment programs for over 20 years.

Kuntz graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1962 with a Bachelor of Science Degree and was designated a Naval Aviator. He served aboard various U.S. Navy aircraft carriers as a pilot through June 1968. Kuntz is a member of the International Association of Financial Planners and is a registered principal with the National Association of Securities Dealers.

Miller is a vice president and general counsel of Partech and four of its wholly-owned subsidiaries. Miller was a principal in the Columbus law firm of Luper, Wolinetz, Sheriff & Neidenthal before joining the company in September of 1989. Miller graduated with a B.S. degree in business from Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind., in 1976 and with a J.D. from the Ohio State University, Columbus, in 1981. He is a member of the Ohio Bar Association.

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John E. Rayl, 614/460-8550

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WEST NEWTON, MA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - West Newton Savings Bank (NASDAQ:WNSB) announced Wednesday that its board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of 4 cents per share payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

West Newton Savings Bank is a Massachusetts savings bank founded in 1887. The bank has branch offices in Wayland, Sudbury, Lincoln and Sherborn. The bank converted to stock form on Oct. 23, 1986.

CONTACT: West Newton Savings Bank, West Newton
Donald Cassidy, 617/244-2001

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BIRMINGHAM, AL (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Golden Enterprises Inc.'s (NASDAQ:GLDC) results for its second fiscal quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, showed a 22.2 percent increase in net income with a 3.3 percent decrease in total revenues.

For the six months ended Nov. 30, 1990, net income increased 44.9 percent and total revenues were up 0.2 percent.

The following is a summary of revenue and income information for the three months and six months ended Nov. 30, 1990, and 1989.

Golden Enterprises Inc.
Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	11/30/90	11/30/89	11/30/90	11/30/89
Total revenues	$ 31,929,015	$ 33,005,927	$ 66,125,208	$ 65,960,596
Income before income taxes	1,411,278	1,173,044	4,447,755	2,992,992
Income taxes	445,167	382,440	1,517,944	971,262
Net income	$ 966,111	$ 790,604	$ 2,929,811	$ 2,021,730
Net income per share	8 cents	6 cents	23 cents	16 cents
Average number of shares outstanding	12,725,347	12,801,245	12,737,362	12,801,524

CONTACT: Golden Enterprises Inc., Birmingham
John H. Shannon, 205/326-6101

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VALLEY FORGE, PA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Valley Forge Scientific Corp. (NASDAQ:VLFG, VLFGW) (BOSTON STOCK EXCHANGE:VLF, VLFW) Wednesday announced operating results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company's fiscal 1990 sales and net income increased by 84 percent and 66 percent, respectively, over fiscal 1989 amounts.

The company's operating income in fiscal 1990 increased by a lesser percentage than the increase in sales as a result of the company internally funding $237,553 of the $286,553 in research and development expenses in fiscal 1990.

The company had other income of $91,413 and $10,100 in fiscal 1990 and fiscal 1989, respectively.

Valley Forge Scientific Corp. develops and manufactures medical device products which allow the surgical community to perform surgical procedures with greater control, safety and precision.

Valley Forge Scienfitic Corp.
Financial Highlights

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30		12 Months Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$ 515,212	$ 335,557	$ 1,788,851	$ 968,702
Operating income	7,700	22,963	130,440	120,540
Net income	$ 27,872	$ 33,063	$ 217,458	$ 130,640
Primary earnings per share	.004	.005	.031	.025
Fully diluted earnings per share	.004	.005	.030	.025
Primary common shares outstanding	7,353,990	6,721,115	6,965,140	5,194,579
Fully diluted common shares outstanding	7,353,990	6,721,115	7,199,225	5,194,579

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Jerry L. Malis, 215/666-7500
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FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Pier 1 Imports Inc. (NYSE:PIR) announced that its board of directors declared a 4 cents per share quarterly dividend on the company's outstanding shares of common stock and 16-2/3 cents per share annual dividend on the outstanding shares of the formula rates preferred stock.

The cash dividends are payable Feb. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Feb. 1 1991.

Pier 1 Imports is a specialty retailer of imported home furnishings and decorative accessories.

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Makovsky & Co., New York

Allan E. Jordan or Juliet Singh, 212/532-6300.

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#90353b0725 12/19/1990 ~Business Wire
FT. MITCHELL, KY (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Sunrise Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:SRSL) announced Wednesday that its board of directors has declared a cash dividend of $.125 per share payable to stockholders of record as of Jan. 2, 1991.

The cash dividend, which is the second paid by the company, will be paid on Jan. 16, 1991.

James C. Davis, president of the company, noted that the board of directors, on Sept. 4, 1990, established a policy of paying quarterly cash dividends subject to favorable operating results, tax considerations and other factors. This payment reflects a continuation of payments under that policy.

Sunrise Bancorp Inc. is the holding company of Sunrise Bank for Savings, F.S.B., which conducts business through seven offices in Kenton, Campbell and Boone counties in Kentucky. As of Sept. 30, 1990, Sunrise Bancorp Inc. had total assets of approximately $273 million. Total savings were approximately $240 million.

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James C. Davis, 606/331-6565

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BRANFORD, CT (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Echlin Inc.'s (NYSE: ECH) Board of Directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 17.5 cents per common share.

Chairman Frederick J. Mancheski announced the declaration. The dividend will be payable January 18, 1991 to shareholders of record on January 4, 1991.

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#90353b0733 12/19/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (DEC. 18) BUSINESS WIRE - Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc. (NYSE:FBH) announced Wednesday that Joseph A. Califano Jr., has been elected to the company's board of directors.

He replaces Peter L. Keane who has retired.

Califano, a Harvard Law School graduate, is senior partner in the Washington D.C. office of the law firm Dewey Ballantine, which he joined in 1983. Throughout his career, Califano has been actively involved in national policy matters, having served as Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare from 1977-1979; Special Assistant for Domestic Affairs to the President of the United States from 1965-1969; and in various Department of Defense capacities from 1961-1965.

He has authored seven books, including his most recent, ''America's Health Care Revolution.'' His book on his years with Lyndon Johnson will be published in 1991.

He currently is a director of ADP Inc., Chrysler Corp., K-mart, Health Data Sciences Inc., and Primerica Corp. In addition, he serves as a trustee of Georgetown University, New York University, The Twentieth Century Fund, The Kaiser Family Foundation, the Urban Institute and the Iacocca Foundation.

He also is chairman of the Institute for Social and Economic Policy in the Middle East.

Commenting on today's announcement, Donald R. Bell, chairman and cheif executive officer of Hall said, ''We are delighted to have a man of Mr. Califano's stature join our board. His breadth of experience and insights on significant issues of the day will be a major asset to Hall and should enhance our ability to provide the best service for our clients worldwide.''

Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc., founded in 1862, is an international leader in providing insurance and reinsurance brokerage, employee benefits consulting, and risk management services to industry.

CONTACT: Frank B. Hall & Co. Inc., New York
   Paul A. Cristiano Jr., 914/742-3093

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WOODBRIDGE, NJ (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Supermarkets General Holdings Corp. announced that the board of directors declared a quarterly stock dividend on its $3.52 cumulative exchangeable preferred stock (''Preferred Stock'') payable Jan. 31, 1991 to stockholders of record on Jan. 22, 1991.

The dividend will be paid at the rate of .0352 shares per share of preferred stock except that no fractional shares will be issued.

The preferred stock exchange agent will aggregate all fractional shares otherwise issuable and sell them in the open market. Preferred stockholders otherwise entitled to fractions of a share will then receive a payment in cash in lieu thereof equal to such holder's proportionate interest in the net

proceeds of the sale of all such fractional shares.

CONTACT: Supermarkets General Holdings Corp., Woodbridge
Harvey Gutman, 201/499-3203.

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ORANGE, CT (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Hubbell Inc. (AMEX) Wednesday announced the declaration of a regular quarterly cash dividend and an additional stock dividend.

The company's regular quarterly cash dividend of 37 cents per share on Hubbell's Class A and Class B common stock will be paid on Jan. 11, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990. The annual payment rate of $1.48 per share includes the 8.8 percent increase, effected by Board in June of 1990, which marked the company's 30th cash dividend increase in the past 30 years.

The board of directors also declared a 5 percent stock dividend to be paid in Class B common shares. Shareholders will receive additional shares of Class B common stock equivalent to 5 percent of ownership of Class A and Class B common stock on the Jan. 11, 1991 record date. The distribution of the additional shares will be made on Feb. 1, 1991 with the value of any resulting fractional shares to be paid in cash.

In making the announcement, the company noted that the actions were taken as part of Hubbell's longstanding policy of increasing return to its shareholders. Since the quarterly cash dividend payment rate per share will remain unchanged after distribution of the additional shares, the effect for shareholders choosing to hold the added shares will be an increase in total cash dividends received.

Hubbell Inc. is an international manufacturer of quality electrical and electronic products for commercial, industrial, utility, and telecommunications markets. With annual revenues exceeding $650 million, the company has compiled a 29-year record of consecutive annual increases in income from continuing operations. Hubbell Inc. operates manufacturing facilities in the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, Singapore, and the United Kingdom, and has its corporate headquarters in Orange, Conn.

CONTCT: Hubbell Inc., New York
Thomas R. Conlin, 203/799-4100.

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#90353b0739 12/19/1990 ~Business Wire

DRESHER, PA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Selas Corp. of America (ASE:SLS) announced Wednesday that it has received $5 million in new orders.

Stephen F. Ryan, president and chief executive officer of Selas, said that the orders include one totalling more than $4 million from the glass industry. It is for the manufacture of two horizontal continuous roller hearth furnaces for laminated glass windshield bending for Societa Italiana Vetro (SIV), San Salvo Italy.

One furnace will be installed in the new SIV laboratories for research work. The other furnace is a production line which will be installed at SIV's existing San Salvo factory. The orders will be executed by Selas S.A., Paris and Selas Italiana, Milan.

The other order, totalling approximately $1 million is for the domestic supply of two pit-type vacuum furnaces.

Selas Corp. of America is an international design, development, engineering and manufacturing company.

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Stephen F. Ryan, 215/283-8402

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#90353b0743 12/19/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Ceskoslovenske Aerolinie (CSA) announced in Prague Wednesday that J.P. Morgan will be the airline's financial advisor as it examines privatization options and implements the course of action eventually chosen.

An agreement with J.P. Morgan resulted from negotiations that began in June. J.P. Morgan was selected from six competing investment banks.

Before privatization, CSA will undergo with its adviser a process intended to help the airline reconfigure itself on a Western European model and assist CSA in establishing its value before entering into negotiations with foreign investors.

To achieve these goals, CSA plans to replace the planes in its fleet and redefine its organizational structure and services. CSA also will seek to develop closer cooperation with some of the world's major airlines, which may lead to equity participations in CSA.

CONTACT: J.P. Morgan & Co. Inc., New York
John M. Morris, 212/648-9551

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#90353b0747 12/19/1990 ~Business Wire

PRINCETON, NJ (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Future Medical Technologies International Inc., (FMTI) (OTC:3FMTI) announced Wednesday that the Food and Drug Administration has approved FMTI's 510K application for its Qualture device, thereby allowing FMTI to market the device in the United States.

Joseph B. Hippensteel, president of FMTI said, ''this will allow the company to directly market its Qaulture device, not only to a vast array of commercial governmental, and clinical sources here in the United States but also in foreign countries such such as France that utilize FDA application approval as a major factor in their approvals.

''The company, in anticipation of receiving such application approval had initiated over 40 investigational test sites with potential customers of the Qualture device to allow them to familiarize themselves with the product, its ease of use and advantages in substantially reducing diagnostic test result time.

''The company intends to actively market the device to these customers, as well as commercial laboratories, hospitals, doctors offices, as well as industrial, water, food (salmonella) and beverage testing customers. In addition, the company intends to finalize negotiations for distributors in European and Asian countries.''

Future Medical Technologies International Inc., markets a device that separates and filters microorganisms from specimens of blood, urine, spinal, joint, and other body fluids for identification, quantitation, and presumputive diagnosis of infectious diseases in a time period substantially less than present conventional procedures.

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Joseph B. Hippensteel or Deanne Van Leeuwen, 609/497-1100
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Linda J. Decker, 201/788-9660

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LITTLETON, MA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Alliant Computer Systems Corp. (NASDAQ/ALNT) Wednesday announced the sale of its RISC-based FX/2800 supercomputer to Sandoz Pharma AG, a division of Sandoz, Basel, Switzerland.

Sandoz is one of the world's leading chemistry research and pharmaceutical companies with 1990 revenues exceeding $10 billion. The company will use the FX/2800 for research and development of new drugs.

Sandoz's Pharmaceutical Division is noted for creating immunosuppressant drugs used to treat rejection of human organ transplants, as well as drugs for

treating Parkinson's disease, hypertension and immunodeficiency disorders.

According to Dr. Hans-Peter Weber, head of the molecular modeling group at Sandoz Pharma AG, the company chose the FX/2800 after extensive benchmark testing against other supercomputers and because Alliant's parallel architecture is well suited for most computational chemistry codes.

According to Weber, Alliant won the contract in direct competition with Convex. Throughput benchmarks of several molecular modeling and ab initio applications were involved in the lengthy evaluation.

The $1.2 million FX/2800 used by Sandoz brings the total number of Alliant supercomputers in Europe to over 125. The growing list of Alliant FX Series customers and applications in the chemistry market includes U.K.-based Glaxo, molecular modeling and crystallography; U.S.-based Becton Dickinson, chemical research and Japan-based National Cardiovascular Research Institute, vascular physiology.

More than 500 Alliant supercomputers have been shipped to customers around the world, including approximately 40 of the newest FX/2800 family. The FX/2800, announced in January 1990, is based on Intel's i860 RISC processor.

Alliant Computer Systems Corp. manufactures standards-based parallel supercomputers with visualization tools that enable scientists and engineers to quickly interpret and solve complex problems.

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MARKHAM, Ontario (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - International Semi-Tech Microelectronics Inc. (''ISTM") today announced the financial results for the nine months ending Oct. 31, 1990.

Net income before provision for restructuring in subsidiaries was $14,548,000.

The company has provided for restructring costs of $3,746,000 resulting in a consolidated net income for the nine months ended October 31, 1990 of $10,802,000 or 84 cents a share (82.6 cents per share fully diluted) compared to $10,608,000 or 89.8 cents per share (87.8 cents per share fully diluted) for the same period last year. The number of shares outstanding increased from 10.533 million to 12.854 million during these comparable periods.

Revenue figures are not comparable with last year's figures as the Company now accounts for Semi-Tech (Global) Limited (''STM'') on an equity basis. The thir quarter results of operations of STM reflect only the results of those subsidiaries of STM for which public information can be obtained. Such estimates may be subject to substantial adjustment at year-end.

Commenting on the results, James H. Ting, president and chief executive officer said: ''ISTM continues to improve its results reflecting its global focus in spite of a worsening economic climate in North America''.

International Semi-Tech Microelectronic Inc. is a Canadian public company headquartered in Markham, Ontario whose shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange trading under the symbol ISE, Semi-Tech (Global) Limited is a Hong Kong public company whose shares are listed on the Hong Kong Exchange, symbol 448. SSMC Inc. is a U.S. public company whose Series B preferred shares are listed on NASDAQ, symbol SSMCP.

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HUNT VALLEY, MD (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - McCormick & Co. Inc. (NASDAQ:MCRK) Wednesday announced preliminary sales and net income results for its 1990 fiscal year ended Nov. 30.

Sales were over $1.3 billion and net income was $1.66 per share ($69.6 million). This compares with food and packaging earnings of $1.20 per share for 1989. Results for 1990 include a second quarter gain of 15 cents per share from the sale of land in the United Kingdom while 1989 earnings include a fourth quarter gain of 6 cents per share from the sale of Brazilian operations. Excluding these gains, 1990 food and packaging earnings per share increased 32 percent over the prior year.

Fourth quarter net income was 62 cents per share ($25.7 million). Excluding the 6 cents per share from the sale of Brazilian operations, this represents a 51 percent gain over earnings per share reported for the fourth quarter of 1989.

In addition to food and packaging earnings, 1989 results included a gain of $1.89 per share from the sale of discontinued real estate operations.

Commented Charles P. McCormick Jr., chairman of the board and chief executive officer, ''We are delighted to announce our third consecutive year of excellent performance. Our fourth quarter results were especially strong in a very difficult economic environment. Final results will be available in mid-January.

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BOSTON (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Tech/Ops Sevcon Inc. (AMEX:TOC) declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of seven and a half cents per share for the first quarter of fiscal 1991.

The dividend will be paid on Jan. 17, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 2 1991.

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Paul B. Rosenberg, 617/523-2030

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BRAINTREE, MA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of The Bank of Braintree (NASDAQ/NMS:BTSB) has declared a regular cash dividend for the fourth quarter of 1990.

A dividend of 9 cents per share on the bank's 1,567,710 outstanding shares was announced by Winthrop Sargent, IV, chairman and C.E.O. Sargent added, ''Future dividends will depend upon our operating results and capital position.''

The cash dividend is payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

The Bank of Braintree is a Massachusetts chartered stock savings bank which offers a comprehensive line of business and personal banking services at four offices in the Town of Braintree and has assets of $176.9 million as of Sept. 30, 1990.

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MERIDEN, CT (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Cenvest Inc. (NASDAQ:CBCT) announced Wednesday that Charles P. Bassos will join the bank holding company for Central Bank, First Central Bank, and the Meriden Trust and Safe Deposit Co.,

as chairman, chief executive officer and a director on Monday, Dec. 24, pending final regulatory approval.

He was also named chairman, CEO and a director of Central Bank, Cenvest's largest subsidiary.

Bassos succeeds retiring chairman and CEO James H. Doak Jr. who will complete a 31 year career with the institution which was formerly the Meriden Savings Bank. During Doak's 13 year tenure at the helm, the institution became a publicly owned multibank holding company that presently operates 16 banking branch offices in 11 central Connecticut communities and has grown in assets from $150 million to $850 million.

Bassos, 48, of Fairfield, leaves the position of executive vice president with the Connecticut Bank and Trust Co., N.A. in Hartford. During his 22-year tenure at that bank, he has served in positions including senior credit officer, various other credit positions and as manager to the commericial banking regions in Hartford and Fairfield counties.

''I'm looking forward to the challenge of guiding Cenvest through the changes needed to make it stronger and more responsive to the various publics we serve '' said Bassos. His selection to the chairman and CEO post completes a search begun several months ago, when Cenvest also announced plans to consolidate its Hartford based commercial banking subsidiary, First Central Bank, with Central Bank.

With final regulatory approval for that merger expected during early next year the consolidation will combine the commercial banking resources of both banks to create a stronger capital base and foster greater organizational efficiency and customer service.

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ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Rochester Gas and Electric Corp. Wednesday declared a cash dividend of forty and one-half cents ($.405) per share on the outstanding common stock of the corporation payable Jan. 25, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 4, 1991.

The $.405 compares with the $.39 paid the previous quarter.

Dividends on the corporation's preferred stocks were also declared at the regular rates per share payable March 1, 1991, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Feb. 1, 1991.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Medical Inc. (AMEX:AMA) Wednesday announced that its privately held affiliate, Geritech, has entered a broad ranging strategic alliance with Marion Merrell Dow (NYSE:MMD), the $2.4 billion pharmaceutical division of the Dow Chemical Co.

The arrangements include a research and development agreement, a joint marketing collaboration, a provision for MMD to fund Geritech's human clinical trials in the United States, and an equity purchase by MMD of eight percent of Geritech (Advanced Medical Inc. owns and has the right to purchase a 16.8 percent stake in Geritech).

This agreement compliments the previously announced Japanese corporate partnering agreement with Yamanouchi Pharmaceuticals under which they received an equity stake in Geritech and concurrently entered into a pre-clinical research and development collaboration in exchange for an exclusive marketing license in Japan and three other Asian markets.

Geritech's research is centered on a drug called aminoguanidine which is targeted toward the treatment and prevention of the complications of diabetes and premature aging. Phase I clinical trials have been successfully completed in humans, and Geritech is beginning Phase II/III trials.

Approximately six million people in the United States are diagnosed diabetics with an estimated five million people having undiagnosed cases. Each year an additional 500,000 people are diagnosed as having the disease, the economic costs of which are estimated at $14 billion annually.

By mutual consent, the contract explicitly prohibits either party from releasing the dollar amounts involved in the transactions.

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Thomas M. Dean, 212/421-1121

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CHICAGO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameritech Wednesday declared a 7.6 percent increase in its quarterly dividend, raising it six cents to 85 cents per common share, or $3.40 on an annual basis.

The new quarterly rate is payable February 1, 1991, to shareowners of record

December 31, 1990.

''This is the seventh dividend increase by Ameritech since the company's start in 1984,'' said Ameritech Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William L. Weiss. ''Today's action balances the need for providing a solid return for our investors with the development needs of our business.''

''Looking ahead, 1991 will be a challenging year. First, we are making the transition to incentive regulation in territories that represent more than 50 percent of our telephone revenues. Second, we continue to aggressively invest in new technologies and explore business development and growth opportunities worldwide. Third, while the Midwest economy continues to exhibit strength, we face uncertainty in the U.S. economy. These factors necessitate careful management of our financial resources,'' Weiss said.

With assets of $21.5 billion, Chicago-based Ameritech has some 264 million common shares outstanding, held in nearly 1.1 million shareowner accounts.

Ameritech is the parent of five Bell companies serving the Great Lakes region, and other information-related companies providing mobile communications, directories, lease financing, voice messaging and audiotex services domestically and internationally. Ameritech's 1989 revenues were $10.2 billion.

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NORTHBROOK, IL and FREMONT, CA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - General Binding Corp. (NASDAQ:GBND) and VeloBind Inc. (NASDAQ:VBND), Wednesday jointly announced that in response to a Department of Justice request, they had agreed to extend the period in which the antitrust review of their proposed merger may be conducted beyond the current statutory deadline of Dec. 27, 1990.

Both companies indicated that they still intend to complete the proposed transaction this year, and that the Department of Justice has indicated that it plans to inform them of its position with respect to a 1990 closing in the very near future.

The two companies had previously announced on Sept. 24, 1990, that they had entered into a merger agreement under which GBND would acquire VBND for an aggregate consideration of $50 million, or $9.77 per VBND share.

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NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FL (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Home Intensive Care Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:HICI (common stock) and HICIW (warrants)), a leading provider of high-tech home health care services, Wednesday announced that it has engaged Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp. (''DLJ'') to act as its exclusive financial advisor with respect to all of its investment banking services.

The agreement contemplates the planned private placement by DLJ of approximately $10 million of equity-related securities to accommodate planned expansion, as well as additional future financial advisory services.

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WILMINGTON, MA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Kevlin Microwave Corporation (NASDAQ National Market System:KVLM) announced that it has entered into a Memorandum of Intent with Segnalamento Marittimo ed Aero S.p.A (SMA) of Italy to explore the possibility of cooperation in the design, production and marketing of microwave rotary couplers in Eastern and Western Europe.

The Memorandum provides for the conduct of market surveys and the development of strategic plans for further joint efforts.

This initial step is being taken in the expectation that a joint venture between the two companies could be established which would manufacture microwave rotary couplers using present and future Kevlin designs for sale throughout Europe.

SMA is one of Europe's leading manufacturer of shipboard, coastal, weather, and air traffic control radar systems.

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BANGOR, ME (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Thomas A. Greenquist, chairman of the board of Bangor Hydro-Electric Co., announced that the directors have declared the following regular quarterly stock dividends:

7%	preferred stock	$1.75 per share
4-1/4%	preferred stock	$1.07 per share
4%	preferred stock	$1.00 per share
8.76%	preferred stock	$2.19 per share
	common stock	$0.32 per share

The common stock quarterly dividend was increased by 1 cent, to 32 cents per share, which is an indicated annual rate of $1.28 per share. The common dividend had been at 31 cents per quarter, or an annual rate of $1.24 per share, since December 1989.

The dividends are payable Jan. 21, 1991 to stockholders of records at the close of business on Dec. 31, 1990.

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TRENTON, NJ (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Versus Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ:VSTI) announced Wednesday that its majority-owned subsidiary, Versus Technology Ltd. (a United Kingdom Corporation, ''VTL''), acquired certain of the assets of the United Kingdom telecommunications business of Base Ten Systems Ltd. (''BTSL''), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Base Ten Systems, Inc., an affiliate of Versus Technology, Inc.

VTL paid approximately $1.3 million in cash and will pay approximately $700,000 in deferred payments for the assets, prior to the payment of fees and expenses related to the transaction.

In addition, VTL entered into a contract with a customer to supply the customer with approximately $1.4 million of product over the next year for which the customer has prepaid VTL approximately $1.4 million.

The U.K. Telecom operations of BTSL for the current year ended October 31, l990 recorded net sales and pre-tax earnings of approximately $4.4 million and

$250,000 (unaudited), respectively. Formerly an exclusive licensee of Versus Technology Ltd., BTSL manufactures and markets Versus' microprocessor-based telemetry data transport systems utilizing existing telephone lines for automated alarm reporting. Since its inception in 1982, BTSL has grown the business through a series of design enhancements and modifications provided by Versus and BTSL engineering expertise, as well as the concentrated marketing and product management efforts of British Telecom, a major customer.

These efforts have resulted in deployments throughout central and greater London, Manchester, and Liverpool, England and in Dublin, Ireland, through Telecom Eireanr. Additional UK metropolitan deployments are anticipated for 1991 and European market penetration in early 1992.

According to Donald M. Hooton, President of Versus Technology, Inc., ''BTSL has always been a leading licensee of Versus' data transport network technology and has been successful in implementing the system on a widescale basis in the U.K. We are excited by the prospects that ownership of this telecommunications operation brings us and we look forward to working together toward the further expansion of Versus' data transport systems in the U.K. and Europe.''

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WAYNE, NJ (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - American Cyanamid Co. announced Wednesday the election of Albert J. Costello as president of the company and a member of the board of directors.

Frank V. AtLee, executive vice president, also was elected to the board of directors and Darryl D. Fry was elected an executive vice president and a member of the executive committee. The elections are effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Cyanamid's executive committee will consist of George J. Sella, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, William A. Liffers, vice chairman and Costello, AtLee and Fry. The election of Costello and AtLee expands the number of members on the company's board of directors to 12.

Costello, 55, joined the company in 1957 and has held a variety of marketing, international and management positions in each of Cyanamid's major businesses. He was named an executive vice president and member of the executive committee in 1983.

Born in New York City, Costello holds a B.S. degree in chemistry from Fordham University and a master's degree in chemistry from New York University. He and his wife, Barbara, have three sons and reside in Franklin Lakes, N.J.

AtLee, 50, joined Cyanamid in 1966 and has served in a number of marketing, manufacturing and management positions in each of the company's major businesses. In 1983, he was named an executive vice president and member of the executive committee.

Born in Richmond, Va., AtLee is a graduate of Lynchburg College with a B.S. degree in chemistry and biology. He served for three years as an officer in the U.S. Marine Corps. He and his wife, Patricia, have two sons and live in Kinnelon, N.J.

Fry, 51, who joined the company in 1962, was elected group vice president of the company's Agricultural Group in 1989. He previously held various operating and management positions in the company's chemicals and agricultural businesses.

Born in St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada, Fry is a graduate of the Memorial Univerity of Newfoundland, Canada, with a B.Sc. degree and the Nova Scotia Technical University with a B.Eng. degree in chemical engineering. He and his wife Marlene, live in Franklin Lakes with their two children.

''These key appointments by the board further strengthen the leadership of the company,'' said Sella, ''as we continue to focus on the research intensive, high technology segments of our medical, agricultural and chemicals businesses.''

Cyanamid is a research-based, biotechnology and chemical company which develops medical, agricultural and chemical products and manufactures and markets them throughout the world.

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WESTFORD, MA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Concurrent Computer Corporation and Augment Systems, Inc. today announced the availability of Augment's newly introduced fiber optic link products on Concurrent's Real-Time UNIX Series 6000, 7000 and 8000 VMEbus computers.

The Augment products will be sold by the Augment sales organization.

Augment's family of fiber optic communications link products, called the AL

100 Series, are board-level products that use fiber optic technology to enable direct high-speed point-to-point links between VMEbus, Unibus, Qbus and Nubus based systems. The AL 100 Series provides interconnects by inserting one interface card directly in the computer backplane and another in the remote computer or specialized subsystem device.

''We are pleased to have Augment join our third party marketing program. Their AL 100 Series family provides our customers added benefits of high-speed data transfer with low cost/performance and ease of installation,'' said Pam LaBove, third party marketing manager at Concurrent.

''We view Augment's fiber optic link devices as key products for distributed measurement and control applications. The combinations of high-performance data transfer, noise immunity and a transmit range of 2KM enables customers to remotely locate data collection subsystems and transparently communicate back to the host Concurrent computer,'' said James M. Ciociolo, Concurrent's director of real-time technical systems marketing.

Augment Systems, Inc., headquartered in Bedford, Massachusetts, markets high speed fiber optic links that connect dissimilar workstations, high-end PCs and larger computers.

Concurrent Computer Corporation, headquartered in Tinton Falls, New Jersey, is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through the Commercial, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems Marketing Groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical aerospace and simulation markets. Its common stock (CCUR) is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

Digital Unibus, Qbus and DR11 are trademarks of Digital Equipment Corporation.

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COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - The Hamilton Standard division of United Technologies Corp. (UTC) Wednesday announced it will build a 100,000-square-foot facility in the Garden of the Gods Industrial Park here for the manufacture, assembly and test of commercial electronic aerospace products.

The one-story building will be constructed on approximately 12 acres of a site

owned by the division's parent company. The site is adjacent to the United Technologies Microelectronics Center, another operating unit of UTC.

Construction of the Hamilton Standard facility is slated to begin in the second quarter of 1991 with initial shipments scheduled for March 1992. Up to 250 fully trained and skilled people are expected to be employed when the facility becomes fully operational.

''This facility represents a commitment to position Hamilton Standard as a best-in-class electronics manufacturer as we go forward to meet the tough competition in the global marketplace,'' said company President Terry D. Stinson. ''With this new building, we will be furthering our goal to both expand our business and better satisfy the needs of our commercial aerospace customers.''

The Colorado Springs facility will involve the manufacturing, assembling and testing of environmental control systems and small electronic engine controls and accessories for the commercial aerospace market. The prime customer will be the Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, headquartered in Seattle, Wash. The new facility will provide environmental control systems for Boeing aircraft.

''Our Colorado Springs operation continues the company's strategy of utilizing a 'focused-facility' concept that organizes the electronics business around dedicated product lines and customer bases,'' according to Bob Kuhn, Hamilton Standard's executive vice president and general manager of its Aircraft Products business. ''Focused facilities, in conjunction with high-performance work teams, are the cornerstone for achieving best-in-class results in the 1990s.''

Nine architectural and engineering firms in the United States are currently being considered for the design phase of the project. Bidding on the construction phase will be done locally.

Hamilton Standard's major manufacturing operations are headquartered in Windsor Locks, Conn. The company has two Connecticut-based aerospace electronics facilities. At its headquarters facility in Windsor Locks, an Electronics Center is primarily focused on providing electronic engine controls and accessories for large commercial and military aircraft engines.

A second electronics facility, located in Farmington, Conn., is focused on providing flight, data and guidance systems.

Hamilton Standard employs more than 13,000 people worldwide, and in 1989 had sales of $1.1 billion. The company is best recognized for the space suit/life support system worn by space shuttle astronauts when they work in the harsh environment of space.

Other major products include digital electronic engine controls, aircraft

environmental control systems, propeller systems, rotary wing flight control computers, aircraft data systems and space life support systems.

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DALLAS (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Howard B. Wolf Inc. (AMEX:HBW), Dallas based women's fashion manufacturer, reported net sales of $2,469,005, income before federal income tax of $111,415, and net income of $60,165, or 6 cents per share, for the second quarter ended Nov. 30.

Net sales for the second quarter ended Nov. 30, 1989, were $2,504,582, income before federal income tax was $156,942, and net income was $86,072, or 8 cents per share.

For the six-month period ended Nov. 30, net sales were $4,900,443, income before federal income tax was $202,472, and net income totaled $122,022, or 12 cents per share.

Comparable results for the six-month period ended Nov. 30, 1989, were net sales of $5,074,442, income before federal income tax of $300,776, and net income of $188,776, or 18 cents per share.

The board of directors declared a special dividend of 5 cents per share payable Jan. 30, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 15, 1991.

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RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Robert H. Hilb, president of Hilb, Rogal & Hamilton Co. (NASDAQ: HRHC) announced the acquisition, through merger, of Vincent, Feldhausen & Piehl Inc. of Green Bay, Wis., to be effective on or around Dec. 31, 1990.

Terms were not disclosed.

Vincent, Feldhausen & Piehl Inc. is among the largest independent insurance agencies in Green Bay. The existing management will continue with Galen Vincent Sr., David Feldhausen and Robert Piehl holding the positions of president, vice president and vice president respectively.

Hilb stated, ''I am extremely pleased to expand our family of independent

agencies into the State of Wisconsin and to add the capable employees of Vincent, Feldhausen & Piehl Inc. to our company.''

According to Galen Vincent Sr., ''This merger provides our firm with greater resources while allowing local management the autonomy to decide how best to serve our clients in the greater Green Bay area.''

Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Co. provides insurance agency services to a wide variety of clients through its network of wholly owned subsidiaries which operate 42 insurance agencies in 17 states and the District of Columbia. The company is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, symbol, HRHC.

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Robert H. Hilb, 804/747-6500

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#90353b0814 12/19/1990 ~Business Wire

JACKSON, MI (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Deposit Guaranty Corp. (NASDAQ:DEPS) has entered into an agreement to sell its $90 million credit card portfolio to Cleveland-based Society Corp., announced E.B. Robinson Jr., chairman of Deposit Guaranty Corp. and John D. Hancock, senior vice president of Society Corp.

They further announced an agency agreement whereby the cards -- Visa, Visa Gold and MasterCard, together with Deposit Guaranty's affinity cards groups which include the Univeristy of Mississippi Alumni Association, National Exchange Club, Phi Theta Kappa And Credit Women International -- will continue to be issued under the Deposit Guaranty name and logo. Society will also provide service for the 35 agent banks Deposit Guaranty has served.

Terms of the sale were not released. However, Robinson did indicate that as a result of this one-time gain, fourth quarter earnings could be positively impacted by a pretax gain of approximately $4 to $8 million.

Saying credit card vendors have saturated the market, Robinson described the sale is a strategic move that will bring positive results.

''The credit card industry is now a mature market, and opportunities for profitability are going to be limited in the future for smaller portfolios,'' he said.

''It's getting more difficult to compete with credit card vendors operating nationwide, who have greater economies of scale. We believe this is an excellent time to refocus our resources on more growth-oriented lines of business.''

Hancock, bank card administration manager for Society Corp., said Society is

buying Deposit Guaranty's portfolio because ''it meets Society's high credit quality standards, and it has significant profitability potential when added to our existing program. Holders of Deposit Guaranty Visa and MasterCards will continue to enjoy the same high level of quality service they've received.''

Society Corp. is one of the largest bank holding companies in the Midwest with assets of $15.6 billion at Sept. 30. The acquisition will place Society's total bankcard portfolio in excess of $600 million. The holding company has 370 offices in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Florida.

Through its affiliates, Society engages in commercial banking, consumer banking, mortgage banking and leasing, and provides trust investment banking services.

Deposit Guaranty Corp. is a multibank holding company with over $4.7 billion in assets. Its primary subsidiaries are Deposit Guaranty National Bank, the largest bank in Mississippi, and Commercial National Bank, the fifth largest bank in Louisiana.

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#90353b0816 12/19/1990 ~Business Wire

BRANFORD, CONN (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - For its first quarter of fiscal year 1991, ended November 30, 1990, Echlin Inc. (NYSE: ECH) reported net sales of $421.3 million, up 14 percent from last year's $371.0 million.

First quarter results were announced by Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Frederick J. Mancheski.

Net income in the first quarter totaled $11.1 million, an 18 percent decrease from net income of $13.5 million reported in the same period a year earlier. Earnings per share in the quarter fell from 24 cents last year to 20 cents this year.

Virtually all the sales increase resulted from additional sales of recent acquisitions. Unit sales of comparable operations (those part of Echlin for at least one year) were down about six percent on a year-to-year basis.

The drop in net income and earnings per share from the prior year's levels was mainly due to the unit sales decline. In addition, one of our divisions in Canada endured a labor strike for two months of the quarter, adding unanticipated expenses which further reduced profits.

''The industry-wide unit sales decline was showing signs of improvement prior

to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, an event which triggered a sharp drop,'' Mancheski explained.

''Indicators of parts demand at the vehicle owner level have not significantly deteriorated, and we feel confident that later this fiscal year unit volume trends will turn positive. This, together with operational improvements, will help boost our earnings.''

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#90353b0818 12/19/1990 ~Business Wire

BOSTON (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Alan G. Carr, president of H&Q Healthcare Investors announced Wednesday that the trustees of the fund have declared a dividend from net investment income in the amount of $0.055 a share and a dividend from net realized capital gains of $0.78 a share.

Both dividends are payable Jan. 29, 1991, to stockholders of record on Dec. 28 1990.

Shareholders desiring to participate in the Dividend Reinvestment Plan should so advise the State Street Bank & Trust Co., the plan agent, or thier broker/custodian prior to the record date.

H&Q Healthcare Investors (a New York Stock Exchange listed closed-end fund) seeks long-term capital appreciation through public and venture capital equity investments, primarily in the healthcare industry, with emphasis on emerging growth companies.

Boston-based Hambrecht & Quist Capital Management is the investment advisor to the fund.

CONTACT: Hambrecht & Quist, Boston
Kimberley Carroll, 617/574-0500

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#90353c0002 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:47 that trade in Penn Central Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol PC.

-30- 314

#90353c0003 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Direct Connect International Inc.(TICKER: KIDZ).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$213,495	$2,257,668
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(249,551)	$396,241
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$0.10

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,740,848	$2,231,570
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,582,748	$1,999,533

-30- 1045

#90353c0004 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Kitchen Bazaar Inc.(TICKER: KBAZ).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,855,000	$2,028,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(612,000)	$(565,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$(0.10)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,274,000	5,417,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,948,000	$9,070,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,823,000	$5,460,000

-30- 1093

#90353c0006 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Agripost Inc.(TICKER: AGRI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,814,920	$12,831
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(4,612,539)	$(982,184)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.24)	$(0.06)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$21,516,338	$16,932,571
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(2,140,403)	$140,526

-30- 990

#90353c0007 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Communications World International Inc. (TICKER: CWII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended July 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,717,467	$3,957,336
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(116,500)	$130,746
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,521,686	8,527,070

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,217,058	$2,362,352
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,218,355	$1,338,221

-30- 1134

#90353c0008 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Millfield Trading Co. Inc.(TICKER: SHOE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$12,172,204	$5,255,898
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$727,168	$127,324
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.22	$0.07
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,363,950	1,850,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,473,827	$13,194,637
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,817,432	$2,385,930

-30- 1103

#90353c0009 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Business Computers Corp.(TICKER: ABCC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,540,942	$1,233,441
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$92,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$238,946	$(243,907)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	13,926,913	11,704,448

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,197,850	$8,806,543
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,498,588	$8,086,923

-30- 1129

#90353c0010 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Shoreline Financial Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,277,934	$1,333,418
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.69	$0.72

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$461,832,554	$438,010,210
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$40,252,686	$37,923,023

-30- 731

#90353c0011 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 18) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Chefs International Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended	Oct. 28, 1990	Oct. 29, 1989
REVENUES	$3,951,613	$3,850,079
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$206,737	$89,395
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	37,375,168	28,375,168

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 28, 1990	Jan. 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,371,909	$17,963,929
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$14,548,495	$13,367,907

-30- 1053

#90353c0012 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Magnetic Technologies Corp.(TICKER: MTCC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,791,376	$2,657,111
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$68,105	$108,804
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.09	$0.06
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	774,147	687,439

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,488,776	$6,052,459
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,995,901	$1,927,796

-30- 1102

#90353c0016 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced that trade in Penn Central Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol PC. Trading was resumed at 9:30.

-30- 343

#90353c0017 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:25 that trade in Washington Trust Bancorp.Inc.(NASDAQ: WASH) has been halted pending news. The last bid was 13 1/2. The company is located in Westerly, Rhode Island.

-30- 372

#90353c0018 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:40 that trade in MNC Financial Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE ticker symbol MNC.

-30- 314

#90353c0019 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:42 that trade in Pier 1 Imports Inc. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE ticker symbol PIR.

-30- 315

#90353c0020 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:44 that trade in Index Technology Corp.(NASDAQ: INDX) has been resumed. The first sale was 9; up 1 3/8 points from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 353

#90353c0021 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The NASD has announced at 9:46 that trade in Sage Software Inc.(NASDAQ: SGSI) has been resumed. The first sale was 10: down 5/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 348

#90353c0022 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Wet Seal Inc.(TICKER: WTSL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended	Nov. 3, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
REVENUES	$30,462,000	$22,309,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,627,000	$1,940,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.22	$0.20
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	12,216,850	$9,471,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Nov. 3, 1990	Feb. 3, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$59,491,000	$37,289,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$45,242,000	$9,774,000

-30- 1060

#90353c0024 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Showcase Cosmetics Inc.(TICKER: LIPS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,140,821	$1,163,120
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,139	$76,029

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,412,615	$2,397,478
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,651,048	$1,679,756

-30- 920

#90353c0025 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by CCR Inc.(TICKER: CCRC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,821,322	$1,362,351
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$(93,419)	$(691,041)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$31,263	$(736,115)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.07)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,726,610	$9,065,189
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,277,245	$4,245,982

-30- 938
#90353c0026 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by International Capital Equipment Ltd. (TICKER: ICEY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$507,000	$448,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(116,000)	$87,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$0.04

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,345,000	$9,897,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,367,000	$5,494,000

-30- 989
#90353c0027 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pavichevich Brewing Co.(TICKER: BRAU).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$307,734	$78,239
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(149,249)	$(240,718)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$(0.19)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,316,155	1,286,155

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,872,609	$2,884,422
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(34,778)	$409,428

-30- 1069
#90353c0028 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Microwave Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: MWAV).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$868,738	$802,278
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(30,844)	$(781,936)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.29)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,022,631	2,700,853

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,424,888	$5,569,453
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$419,227	$829,379

-30- 1084
#90353c0029 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Edudata Corp.(TICKER: EDTA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$14,361	$19,248
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,608	$10,224
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,509,900	2,510,100

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,024,930	$1,030,884
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$582,672	$580,064

-30- 1052
#90353c0030 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Marcus Corp.(TICKER: MRCS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended	Nov. 15, 1990	Nov. 9, 1989
REVENUES	$41,280,000	$39,645,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,571,000	$2,513,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.34	$0.33
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,594,000	7,682,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Nov. 15, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$245,161,000	$230,789,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$111,269,000	$106,983,000

-30- 1063
#90353c0032 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by The Village Green Bookstores Inc.(TICKER: BOOK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,760,236	$1,750,592
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(73,786)	$3,359
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,521,440	$3,789,646
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,612,280	$1,672,060

-30- 1015
#90353c0033 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Home Centers Inc.(TICKER: HCEN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$17,301,438	$17,158,649
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$87,232	$72,469
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,479,760	$3,479,760

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$37,194,552	$32,779,692
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,167,913	$10,040,653

-30- 1075
#90353c0034 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Circuit Systems Inc.(TICKER: CSYI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$15,353,085	$7,938,449
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$206,575	$460,482
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.04	0.09
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,143,323	5,143,323

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$25,267,424	$24,419,365
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,623,914	$4,181,612

-30- 1067
#90353c0035 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Butler National Corp.(TICKER: BUTL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$720,345	$1,055,212
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$103,182	$(144,998)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,713,081	3,702,794

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,393,030	$2,298,689
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(2,174,106)	$(2,220,595)

-30- 1068
#90353c0036 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Paul Harris Stores Inc.(TICKER: PHRS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended	Nov. 3, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
REVENUES	$54,206,000	$56,199,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,390,000)	$298,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.15)	$0.03

BALANCE SHEET

	Nov. 3, 1990	Feb. 3, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$117,912,000	$107,978,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$45,228,000	$47,192,000

-30- 1001

#90353c0037 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by J. Baker Inc.(TICKER: JBAK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended	Nov. 3, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
REVENUES	$108,578,044	$112,445,511
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,039,915	$3,814,489
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.20	$0.43
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,184,063	8,938,529

BALANCE SHEET

	Nov. 3, 1990	Feb. 3, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$283,933,189	$237,281,149
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$92,153,746	$85,249,240

-30- 1071

#90353c0038 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Invention, Design, Engineering Associates Inc. (TICKER: IDEA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,934,583	$1,844,659
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$111,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(56,258)	$302,646
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$0.14
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,239,840	2,133,047

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,508,218	$9,824,017
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,808,948	$4,865,206

-30- 1116
#90353c0040 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 17:

Implant Technology Inc. - Uts. 11/29/95 (IMPTU)

The following issue began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 14:

Acqua Group Inc. (ACQA), Uts. 12/11/95 (ACQAU), Wts. 12/11/95 (ACQAW)

-30- 422
#90353c0041 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 18:

Texscan Corp. (TXCN); Insufficient number of active market makers - listed on AMEX

The following issue was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 17 due to component no longer qualifying:

Wedding Information Network Inc. - Ut. 9/10/92 (WINNU)

-30- 483
#90353c0042 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following issue underwent symbol changes effective Dec. 18:

L.A. Entertainment Inc. (LAETE) to (LAET)

-30- 256
#90353c0043 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - Alias Research Inc.(TICKER: ADDDF) filed a registration statement with the SEC relating to 100,001 shares of its common stock to be offered by certain selling shareholders of the company.

The selling shareholders are:

Louis J. Bottali - 6,667 shares to be offered
Car M. Dzubay - 6,667 shares to be offered
Ronald E. Halvorsen - 80,000 shares to be offered
James L. Zimmermann - 6,667 shares to be offered

Alias Research develops, markets and supports an integrated family of

computer-aided industrial design software products.

-30- 725
#90353c0044 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Miller Building Systems Inc.(TICKER: MTIK) reporting that on Dec. 9, 1990, Dennis Becksford died in an automobile accident.

Mr. Becksford was the company's vice president, finance and chief financial officer.

As of this filing, no successor as chief financial officer has been designated.

-30- 535
#90353c0045 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - First Priority Group (TICKER: FPGP) filed a Form 8-K with the SEC stating it has engaged the accounting firm of Chassin Levine Rosen & Co. as its independent accountants, replacing Richard A. Eisner & Co.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 887
#90353c0046 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 3 1990, Agrolife Corp.(TICKER: FICO) appointed Vargo & Co. as its independent accountants, replacing Laventhol & Horwath, which filed for bankruptcy under Chapter 11.

-30- 393
#90353c0048 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - U.S. Alcohol Testing of America Inc. filed a Form S-18, amendment No. 4 registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer 325,000 units.

Each unit consists of one share of cumulative convertible preferred stock, two shares of common stock and one redeemable common stock purchase warrant.

The initial public offering price is $11.00 per unit.

J. Gregory & Co. and Manchester Rhone Securities Corp. are managing the offering.

The company manufactures, markets and distributes alcohol detection testing equipment which measures blook alcohol concentration by blood sample and analysis.

The company's executive office is located at 17 Arcadian Ave., Paramus, New Jersey 07652 and its telephone number is (201) 843-2574.

-30- 943

#90353c0049 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - Court Courier Systems Inc. filed a registration statement with the SEC in which it proposes to offer up to 100,000 units.

Each unit consists of two shares of common stock, one Class A redeemable common stock purchase warrant and one Class B redeemable common stock purchase warrant.

Each Class A warrant entitle the holder to purchase one share of common stock at $2.75. Each Class B warrant entitles the holder to purchase one common share at a price of $3.00.

The initial public offering price is $5.00 per unit.

Greater Metropolitan Investment Services Inc. is underwriting the offering.

The company offers scheduled courier services to banks and correspondents for deliveries to branches, the Federal Reserve Bank and the Federal Home Loan Bank.

The company's executive office is located at 535 Blvd., Kenilworth, New Jersey 07033 and its telephone number is (201) 687-2424.

-30- 1104

#90353c0050 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - Browns Creek Gold N.L. has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts for fully paid ordinary shares of the par value Aus.$0.20 each of Browns Creek Gold N.L.

The company is incorporated in Australia.

The depositary bank is The Bank of New York and its telephone number is (212) 495-1727.

Fifty million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $10 per unit. The registration fee is $1,250.

NOTE: Each unit represents 100 American Depositary Shares.

-30- 784

#90353c0051 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - Niugini Mining Ltd.(TICKER: NIUM) has filed a Form F-6 registration statement with the SEC for American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts for ordinary shares of the par value of 10 Toea each of Niugini Mining Ltd.

Niugini Mining Ltd. is incorporated in Papua New Guinea.

The depositary bank is The Bank of New York and its telephone number is (212) 495-1727.

Fifty million American Depositary Shares are to be registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price of $10 per unit. The registration fee is $1,250.

NOTE: Each unit represents 100 American Depositary Shares.

-30- 793

#90353c0052 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in MNC Financial Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol MNC. Trading was resumed at 10:11.

-30- 348

#90353c0053 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Pier 1 Imports Inc. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol PIR. Trading was resumed at 10:20.

-30- 351

#90353c0054 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

MARCUS SCHLOSS & CO. INC. OWNS 499,500 SHARES (6.80%) OF WHITTAKER CORPORATION

(TICKER: WKR) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Until Dec. 18, 1990 Marcus Schloss beneficially owned an additional 101,500 shares by virtue of an investment advisory account over which Marcus Schloss had discretionary authority. Effective Dec. 18, 199, Marcus Schloss and its advisory customer terminated their investment advisory agreement and the customer became the beneficial owner of the 101,500 shares.

-30- 715
#90353c0056 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT: NCR (TICKER: NCR) announced that it has retained Goldman, Sachs and Co. as its investment banker and the chairman of NCR said to the Judiciary Committee of the Ohio Senate that he was opposed to the merger.

-30- 419
#90353c0057 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the NASD shows on Dec. 14, 1990, Montana Precision Mining Ltd. appointed Charles A. Romberg as the company's new president.

-30- 327
#90353c0058 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - Carlton Communications plc filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it earned 195.37 million British pounds, including an extraordinary gain of 106.16 million pounds, or 42.8 pence per share, on revenues of 763.65 million pounds for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of 78.56 million pounds, or 53.2 pence per share, on revenues of 576.63 million pounds in fiscal 1989.

-30- 600
#90353c0059 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - Velcro Industries N.V. filed its annual report with the NASD and states it earned $8.40 million after nonrecurring items, or $2.80 per share, on revenues of $105.35 million for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $5.02 million, or $1.67 per share, on revenues

of $98 million in fiscal 1989.

-30- 507

#90353c0060 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Ernst & Young are no longer performing accounting services for Wall Street Financial Corp.

Wall Street Financial and Ernst & Young were unable to resolve issues concerning audit and other related accounting fees.

The company reports there are no disagreements with Ernst & Young on any matter of accounting principles, practices or financial statement disclosure.

-30- 584

#90353c0062 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Jayark Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$21,403,250	$5,588,730
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$859,344	$426,562
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	$0.08
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,190,058	5,545,250

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$25,658,786	$24,599,293
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,218,942	$8,030,293

-30- 962

#90353c0063 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Dec. 11, 1990, Leak-X Corp. appointed Most Horowitz & Co. as its independent accountants, replacing Friedman, Friedberg & Adasko.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial

statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 863

#90353c0065 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - Archer Communications Inc. filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it lost $2.80 million, or $0.24 per share, on interest income of $99,214 for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $2.07 million, or $0.19 per share, on interest income of $197,937 for the same period in 1989.

-30- 500

#90353c0066 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - Consolidated Mercantile Corp. filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it lost $784,081, or $0.28 per share, on revenues of $25.96 million for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with earnings of $173,848, or $0.02 per share, on revenues of $25.13 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 489

#90353c0067 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - BCI Management Ltd.(TICKER: BCIA) filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating it lost $737,345, or $0.07 per share, on revenues of $25.96 million for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990.

This compares with a loss of $387,763, or $0.04 per share, on revenues of $25.13 million for the same period in 1989.

-30- 496

#90353c0069 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 144

SEC - CITY NATL BK OF HOUSTON FIRST OF 1001 MAIN STREET, HOUSTON, TX 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,080 SHARES OF AMERICAN OIL & GAS CORP. (DE) (TICKER: AOG) THROUGH JEFFERIES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(AMERICAN OIL & GAS CORP. (DE) TEL: 713 739-2900)

-30- 457
#90353c0070 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAYE F DYER OF 2115 EAST HUNTINGTON PT RD, 0, WAYZATA, MN 55391, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. (TICKER: CESH) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. TEL: 515 224-1995)

-30- 430
#90353c0071 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JONATHAN J GOLOVIN OF 49 FAXON RD, ATHERTON, CA 94027, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CONSILIUM INC. (TICKER: CSIM) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(CONSILIUM INC. TEL: 415 691-6100)

-30- 404
#90353c0072 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES J GARDNER OF 2412 INGLESIDE 3A-B, CINCINNATI, OH 45206, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CINTAS CORP. (TICKER: CTAS) THROUGH PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 07, 1990.

(CINTAS CORP. TEL: 513 489-4000)

-30- 402
#90353c0074 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES J GARDNER OF 2412 INGLESIDE 3A-B, CINCINNATI, OH 45206, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CINTAS CORP. (TICKER: CTAS) THROUGH WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 05, 1990.

(CINTAS CORP. TEL: 513 489-4000)

-30- 398
#90353c0075 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL J TERRA OF 990 SKOKIE BLVD, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF FIRST ILLINOIS CORP. (TICKER: FTIL) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(FIRST ILLINOIS CORP. TEL: 312 866-6000)

-30- 418
#90353c0076 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER A HOWLEY OF 305 CASCADE DR, MILL VALLEY, CA 94941, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: CNTX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 04, 1990.

(CENTEX TELEMANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 415 777-0477)

-30- 434
#90353c0077 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS C NORRIS OF 228 S MAIN ST, SPRING GROVE, PA 17362, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF GLATFELTER (P.H.) CO. (TICKER: GLT) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(GLATFELTER (P.H.) CO. TEL: 717 225-4711)

-30- 416
#90353c0078 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - T HUNT PAYNE OF 649 GREENWICH LN, FOSTER CITY, CA 94404, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF KOMAG INC. (TICKER: KMAG) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 06, 1990.

(KOMAG INC. TEL: 408 946-2707)

-30- 389
#90353c0079 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HUTCHISON LIVING TRUST OF 23456 HAWTHORNE BLVD, TORRENCE, CA 90505, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: ITX) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 213 378-9933)

-30- 457
#90353c0080 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EUGENE BROWN OF 33 HAMPSHIRE LN, BOYNTON BEACH, FL 33436, HAS FILED TO SELL 394,000 SHARES OF HEMODYNAMICS INC. (TICKER: HMDY) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(HEMODYNAMICS INC. TEL: 305 994-4700)

-30- 405
#90353c0082 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIETH E SORENSON OF 2500 WALSH AVE, SANTA CLARA, CA 95051, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 392
#90353c0083 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - UNITED BUSINESS & CONSULTING OF 4078 CAVELL, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55427, HAS FILED TO SELL 46,000 SHARES OF CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. (TICKER: CESH) THROUGH EQUITY SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. TEL: 515 224-1995)

-30- 446
#90353c0084 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT G MILLER OF 4466 KELDOON, BOISE, ID 83702, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,700 SHARES OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(ALBERTSON'S INC. TEL: 208 385-6200)

-30- 400

#90353c0085 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARIAN DUNLAP OF 435 FORD RD STE 500, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,259 SHARES OF EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS INC. (TICKER: EBPI) THROUGH BLUNT ELLIS & LOEWI. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS INC. TEL: 612 546-4353)

-30- 441
#90353c0086 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NUTT ROY EST OF 2100 E GRAND AVE, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF COMPUTER SCIENCES CORP. (TICKER: CSC) THROUGH JEFFERIES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(COMPUTER SCIENCES CORP. TEL: 213 615-1770)

-30- 422
#90353c0087 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN J GETSY OF 661 RIVERSIDE AVE, JACKSONVILLE, FL 32204, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,500 SHARES OF FISERV INC. (TICKER: FISV) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(FISERV INC. TEL: 414 546-5000)

-30- 389
#90353c0088 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHILDREN EXEMPTION TRUST SPIEGEL OF 1350 WILLOW RD, MENLO PARK, CA 94025 HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 03, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 432
#90353c0090 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD F SHERMAN OF P O BOX 23146, 0, ANCHORAGE, KY 40223, HAS FILED TO

SELL 10,000 SHARES OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY) THROUGH SAN JACINTO SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(RALLY'S INC. TEL: 502 245-8900)

-30- 401
#90353c0091 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, R.B. DAVIS, DIR. OF CB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBFC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,000.

-30- 302
#90353c0092 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, R.B. DAVIS, DIR. OF CB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBFC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $19.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,400.

-30- 304
#90353c0093 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 26, 1990, C.E. HALL, DIR. OF BENCHMARK BANKSHARES INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,924.

-30- 297
#90353c0094 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, R.L. NEWMAN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF FIRST NATIONAL CORP. OF ND BOUGHT 458 SHARES AT $10.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,204.

-30- 332
#90353c0095 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 6, 1990, W.S. FRANTZ, CHAIRMAN OF ORANGE NATIONAL BANCORP. BOUGHT 297 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,335.

-30- 312
#90353c0096 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 8, 1990, V.C. TURIANO, VP OF PENN CENTRAL CORP. BOUGHT 188 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 288
#90353c0098 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, R.A. ROSENBERG, DIV. OFFICER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $9.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,529.

-30- 347
#90353c0099 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, J.P. WALKUSH, DIV. OFFICER OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORP. SOLD 4,408 SHARES AT $9.61 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,321.

-30- 346
#90353c0100 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 23, 1990, H. MORRISON JR, DIR. OF SHENANDOAH TELECOMMUNICATIONS CO. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $90.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,745.

-30- 323
#90353c0101 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 27, 1990, J.E. BRANDS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF SCHERER HEALTHCARE INC.(TICKER: SCHR) SOLD 500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 337
#90353c0102 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 6, 1990, J.A. ODONNELL, DIR. OF UNB CORP. SOLD 3,864 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 275
#90353c0103 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 6, 1990, J.A. ODONNELL, DIR. OF UNB CORP. SOLD 136 SHARES AT $37.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 290.

-30- 271
#90353c0104 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 19, 1990, A.M. YAMADA, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PIONEER FEDERAL BANCORP INC. (TICKER: PFBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 354
#90353c0106 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 19, 1990, L.G. MOSLEY, OFFICER OF MONARCH CEMENT CO. (TICKER: MCEM) BOUGHT 850 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,850.

-30- 308
#90353c0107 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, G.E. JANSSEN, CHAIRMAN OF F & M BANCORPORATION INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,336.

-30- 307
#90353c0108 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 1, 1990, J.F. WALSH, DIR. OF F & M BANCORPORATION INC. BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,800.

-30- 293
#90353c0109 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, ANALYSIS & TECHN INC ESOT, BEN. OWNER OF ANALYSIS & TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: AATI), BOUGHT 14,900 SHARES AT $9.75 PER

SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 569,390.

-30- 374
#90353c0110 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, WILLIAM P CONLIN, DIR. OF ARCHIVE CORP. (TICKER: ACHV), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $4.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 301
#90353c0111 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, ALAN STEINERT JR, DIR. OF ARROW AUTOMOTIVE IND INC. (TICKER: AI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 326
#90353c0112 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, MICHAEL F EICHNER, DIR. OF ALPNET INC. (TICKER: AILP), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 598,850.

-30- 303
#90353c0114 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 13, 1990, MERLE H BANTA, CHAIRMAN OF AM INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: AM), SOLD 15,000 SHARES AT $1.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,178,400.

-30- 319
#90353c0115 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JOHN A CRICHTON, DIR. OF ARABIAN SHIELD DEVELOPMENT CO. (TICKER: ARSD), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $1.07 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 159,546.

-30- 341
#90353c0116 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, JOHN D MEYERS, VP OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 82,500.

-30- 331
#90353c0117 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, R DIXON SPEAS JR, VP OF ASPECT TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP (TICKER: ASPT), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,500.

-30- 333
#90353c0118 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, RAY N ATKINSON, DIR. OF ATKINSON (GUY F.) CO. OF CALIFORNIA (TICKER: ATKN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.32 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 101,812.

-30- 346
#90353c0119 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 21, 1990, LUTHER T PRINCE, DIR. OF AULT INC. (TICKER: AULT), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 66,900.

-30- 293
#90353c0120 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, ROBERT F COMSTOCK, DIR. OF BALTIMORE BANCORP. (TICKER: BBB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,500.

-30- 321
#90353c0122 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, C RICHARD ZARTMAN, DIR. OF BINDLEY WESTERN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BIND), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $10.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 55,000.

-30- 334
#90353c0123 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, C DIANE POWERS, VP OF BALCHEM CORP. (TICKER: BLCC), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,565.

-30- 291
#90353c0124 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JOHN H GARDINER, OFFICER OF BONNEVILLE PACIFIC CORP. (TICKER: BPCO), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 900.

-30- 326
#90353c0125 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 29, 1990, MARILYN C JONES, OFFICER OF BSD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BSD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,500.

-30- 307
#90353c0126 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APR 29, 1990, MARILYN C JONES, OFFICER OF BSD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: BSD), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 311
#90353c0127 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 11, 1990, KENNETT F BURNES, VP OF CABOT CORP. (TICKER: CBT), BOUGHT 120 SHARES AT $30.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 120.

-30- 294
#90353c0128 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, CAPITAL CITIES/ABC SAVINGS PLAN, BEN. OWNER OF CAPITAL CITIES/ABC INC. (TICKER: CCB), BOUGHT 1,607 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 424,848.

-30- 384
#90353c0130 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, JAMES P MCCLOSKEY, VP OF CONCURRENT COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CCUR), BOUGHT 65,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 92,177.

-30- 330
#90353c0131 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, JAMES L MOORE, OFFICER OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE), SOLD 20,000 SHARES FROM $6.88 TO $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,256.

-30- 353
#90353c0132 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, EARL KRAMER, PRES. OF CONCORD FABRICS INC. (TICKER: CIS), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,800.

-30- 312
#90353c0133 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, PAUL M DOUGAN, OFFICER OF EQUITY OIL CO. (TICKER: EQTY), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250,394.

-30- 308
#90353c0134 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, CATESBY C JONES, DIR. OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), SOLD 300 SHARES FROM $15.38 TO $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,700.

-30- 360
#90353c0135 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM APR 16, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, CATESBY C JONES, DIR. OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), SOLD 400 SHARES FROM $15.63 TO $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,008.

-30- 361
#90353c0136 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, JAMES A MONRO JR, VP OF FABRI CENTERS AMERICA INC. (TICKER: FCA), SOLD 2,250 SHARES FROM $19.25 TO $19.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,500.

-30- 355
#90353c0138 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, ROBERT E BLAND, VP OF FAIRFIELD COMMUNITIES INC. (TICKER: FCI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,900.

-30- 321
#90353c0139 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, LANCE L OLSON, OFFICER OF FRONTEER DIRECTORY INC. (TICKER: FDIR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.66 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,167.

-30- 326
#90353c0140 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JOHN G GOOCH, DIR. OF FIRST EASTERN CORP. (TICKER: FEBC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,600.

-30- 311

#90353c0141 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, JOSEPH F KOSIK, DIR. OF FIRST FEDERAL BANCORP INC. (DEL) (TICKER: FFS), SOLD 7,100 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,040.

-30- 355
#90353c0142 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, HOWARD R HARRIS II, VP OF FIRST INTERSTATE OF IOWA INC. (TICKER: FIIA), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $4.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 800.

-30- 328
#90353c0143 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, WILLIAM R JENKINS, VP OF FMC CORP. (TICKER: FMC), SOLD 1,045 SHARES AT $26.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 255
#90353c0144 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, ANTHONY G TAPPIN, VP OF FMC CORP. (TICKER: FMC), SOLD 4,400 SHARES AT $29.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,290.

-30- 293
#90353c0146 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, GLENFED DIRECTORS STK AQC PLAN TR, BEN. OWNER OF GLENFED INC. (TICKER: GLN), BOUGHT 2,830 SHARES FROM $6.00 TO $6.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,904.

-30- 362
#90353c0147 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, HENRY F HENDERSON, DIR. OF GENERAL PUBLIC UTILS CORP. (TICKER: GPU), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $45.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 329
#90353c0148 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, MARK C POPE III, CHAIRMAN OF GRAPHIC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GRPH), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,088,817.

-30- 322
#90353c0149 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, WILLIAM V TURNER, CHAIRMAN OF GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GSBC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 109,588.

-30- 360
#90353c0150 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, DIR. OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 227,775.

-30- 330
#90353c0151 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, BRUCE COLLINS, DIR. OF HAMPTONS BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBSI), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,911.

-30- 335
#90353c0152 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 11, 1990, ELBERT T EDWARDS, DIR. OF HAMPTONS BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBSI), BOUGHT 870 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,458.

-30- 324
#90353c0154 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, GEORGE L GREENE, DIR. OF HOME FEDERAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: HFSF), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600.

-30- 332
#90353c0155 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, HAWKEYE BANCORP ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF HAWKEYE BANCORP. (TICKER: HWKB), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 823,311.

-30- 330
#90353c0156 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, RICHARD A MERRILL, DIR. OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 297
#90353c0157 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, RICHARD A MERRILL, DIR. OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), BOUGHT 350 SHARES AT $33.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 350.

-30- 299
#90353c0158 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, LEWIS H SARETT, DIR. OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,300.

-30- 296
#90353c0159 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, LEWIS H SARETT, DIR. OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 296
#90353c0160 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN F HOWELL, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT INSURANCE GROUP INC. (TICKER: INDH), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 333
#90353c0162 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC 03, 1990 TO DEC 04, 1990, L DAVID BLACK, PRES. OF JLG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JLGI), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES FROM $8.75 TO $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 331
#90353c0163 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, L DAVID BLACK, PRES. OF JLG INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: JLGI), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 300.

-30- 296
#90353c0164 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 01, 1990, KENNETH T URBASZEWSKI, AFFILIATE OF INVEST. ADVISOR OF KEMPER MULTI-MARKET INCOME TRUST (TICKER: KMM), SOLD 700 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 361
#90353c0165 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, IRA M KOGER, CHAIRMAN OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 233,696.

-30- 323
#90353c0166 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, WILFORD C LYON JR, DIR. OF KOGER PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: KOG), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,150.

-30- 314
#90353c0167 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, SAMUEL E BRADT, DIR. OF LUNAR CORP. (TICKER: LUNR), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 41,000.

-30- 293
#90353c0168 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, JOHN K BIRCHFIELD JR, VP OF M/A-COM INC. (TICKER: MAI), BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 303
#90353c0170 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, D JAMES DAIGLE, DIR. OF MAINE PUBLIC SERVICE CO. (TICKER: MAP), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 370.

-30- 311
#90353c0171 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 24, 1990, JOHN C FITCH, DIR. OF MOBILE GAS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MBLE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,000.

-30- 313
#90353c0172 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, CHARLES P HUFFMAN, OFFICER OF MOBILE GAS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MBLE), BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 748.

-30- 319
#90353c0173 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, CHARLES P HUFFMAN, OFFICER OF MOBILE GAS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MBLE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $13.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 748.

-30- 319
#90353c0174 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, JACK M GREENBERG, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 4,000 SHARES FROM $26.38 TO $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,904.

-30- 366
#90353c0175 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, THOMAS SCHLECK, VP OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 321
#90353c0176 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, NORMAN DREYFUSS, CHAIRMAN OF MARQUEST MEDICAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MMPI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES FROM $5.13 TO $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 85,000.

-30- 350
#90353c0178 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, MICHIGAN NATL CORP DEF COMP PL, BEN. OWNER OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 2,322 SHARES FROM $15.75 TO $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,453,081.

-30- 383

#90353c0179 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, CHARLES R SCOTT, DIR. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 429 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,318.

-30- 341
#90353c0180 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, PATRICK W SCOTT, DIR. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 429 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,594.

-30- 342
#90353c0181 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, BYRON B WEBB JR, DIR. OF MISSION WEST PROPERTIES (TICKER: MSW), BOUGHT 808 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,098.

-30- 322
#90353c0182 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, ARTHUR R SEDER JR, DIR. OF NBD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBD), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT $30.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,250.

-30- 308
#90353c0183 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, JOHN W FENTON JR, OFFICER OF NATIONAL COMPUTER SYS INC. (TICKER: NLCS), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,167.

-30- 333
#90353c0184 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, DONALD M GLEKLEN, DIR. OF NUTRAMAX PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NMPC), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200,000.

-30- 338
#90353c0186 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 22, 1990, JUDSON G DAY, DIR. OF NOVA CORP. OF ALBERTA (TICKER: NVA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 310
#90353c0187 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, JOSEPH F DOX, VP OF NOVELLUS SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: NVLS), SOLD 12,074 SHARES FROM $10.75 TO $11.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,750.

-30- 341
#90353c0188 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, ARNOLD L ZIMMERMAN, DIR. OF PHOENIX ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: PATI), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES FROM $2.95 TO $3.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,080.

-30- 377
#90353c0189 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, LANCE B ROSEMORE, PRES. OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 138,009.

-30- 318
#90353c0190 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, LANCE B ROSEMORE, PRES. OF PRO-MED CAPITAL INC. (TICKER: PMC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,370.

-30- 318
#90353c0191 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, DENNIS R ALEXANDER, CHAIRMAN OF PANTHEON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: PNTH), SOLD 48,240 SHARES AT $0.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,030,647.

-30- 350
#90353c0192 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, PAMELA GRANT, DIR. OF PINNACLE WEST CAP CORP. (TICKER: PNW), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $10.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 400.

-30- 309
#90353c0194 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 03, 1990, PETER CASTELLANA JR, BEN. OWNER OF QUAREX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: QRXI), BOUGHT 600 SHARES FROM $3.50 TO $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 301,013.

-30- 355
#90353c0195 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, MARSHALL B PAYNE, DIR. OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN), BOUGHT 2,600 SHARES AT $0.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,683.

-30- 304
#90353c0196 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, KENT M HOLCOMB, VP OF RB & W CORP. (TICKER: RBW), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 257
#90353c0197 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, W TOM GREEN, DIR. OF REPUBLIC GYPSUM CO. (TICKER: RGC), BOUGHT 9,800 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 126,560.

-30- 312
#90353c0198 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 18, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, CHARLES F SPIRO, DIR. OF ROGERS CORP. (TICKER: ROG), SOLD 2,500 SHARES FROM $16.00 TO $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,500.

-30- 334
#90353c0199 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, SUMMIT INVESTORS L P, BEN. OWNER OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS), SOLD 563 SHARES FROM $14.50 TO $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 855.

-30- 337
#90353c0200 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, ARTHUR H DUNKIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF ROWE FURNITURE CORP. (TICKER: ROW), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,600.

-30- 335
#90353c0202 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, CHARLES F HOTALING, VP OF SECURITY BANCORP INC.(MI) (TICKER: SECB), SOLD 330 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 287
#90353c0203 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, LOUIS A DESENBERG, DIR. OF SHORELINE FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SLFC), BOUGHT 254 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,956.

-30- 330
#90353c0204 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, HERBERT STOCKHAM, DIR. OF SOUTHTRUST CORP. (TICKER: SOTR), BOUGHT 302 SHARES AT $13.23 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,438.

-30- 309
#90353c0205 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, L GENE STOHLER, DIR. OF STONERIDGE RESOURCE INC. (TICKER: SRE), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $4.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,450.

-30- 320
#90353c0206 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, JAMES E VACHRIS, DIR. OF STAR STATES CORP. (TICKER: STSS), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 304
#90353c0207 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 15, 1990, ELWOOD INGRAM, VP OF STEVENS GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: SVG), BOUGHT 1,052 SHARES FROM $3.63 TO $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,802.

-30- 340
#90353c0208 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, PAUL I STEVENS, CHAIRMAN OF STEVENS GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: SVG), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $3.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 462,896.

-30- 328
#90353c0210 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, B FRANKLIN BIGGER, DIR. OF TANDYCRAFTS INC. (TICKER: TAC), SOLD 7,087 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,418.

-30- 324
#90353c0211 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 06, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, WILLIAM G MORTON JR, DIR. OF TANDY CORP. (TICKER: TAN), BOUGHT 300 SHARES FROM $27.75 TO $34.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,800.

-30- 328
#90353c0212 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, LEIGH R WEINER, BEN. OWNER OF TOOTSIE ROLL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TR), SOLD 1,500 SHARES FROM $34.50 TO $38.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 292,575.

-30- 363
#90353c0213 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, DARIUS W GASKINS JR, DIR. OF UNR INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: UNRI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 309
#90353c0214 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, MICHAEL J RYAN, DIR. OF VALLICORP HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: VALI), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 57,988.

-30- 316
#90353c0215 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, FRASIER W BRICKHOUSE, DIR. OF VIRGINIA FIRST SVGS BANKS FSB (TICKER: VFSB), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,321.

-30- 344
#90353c0216 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, FRASIER W BRICKHOUSE, DIR. OF VIRGINIA FIRST SVGS BANKS FSB (TICKER: VFSB), BOUGHT 600 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,717.

-30- 346
#90353c0218 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, BENJAMIN R WHITELEY, DIR. OF WILLAMETTE INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: WMTT), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $32.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 700.

-30- 318
#90353c0219 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JOHN H FILER, DIR. OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $31.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 282
#90353c0220 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:47 that trade in Union Texas Petroleum Holdings has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol UTH.

-30- 340
#90353c0221 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Union Texas Petroleum Holdings has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol UTH. Trading was resumed at 15:50.

-30- 373
#90353c0222 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Thermodynetics Inc.(TICKER: TDYN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,754,950	$1,752,317
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$14,226	$2,875
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,460,368	9,539,966

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,903,583	$9,099,903
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,353,033	$3,608,902

-30- 1056

#90353c0223 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Trustbank Savings F.S.B.(TICKER: TRBK) announced it was notified by the Office of Thrift Supervision ("OTS") that its plan for achieving compliance with the FIRREA-imposed capital requirements is unacceptable.

The capital plan submitted to OTS by Trustbank projected capital compliance by Dec. 31, 1994.

As a result of OTS' rejection of the plan, additional operational restrictions now are applicable to Trustbank, the bank reports.

This makes the bank an "Association Subject to Greater Restrictions," and as such, it would be permitted to make new loans and investments only with the prior approval of the District Director of OTS.

Trustbank was given temporary authority, however, through Dec. 21, 1990, to continue making certain loans and investments, primarily first- and second-mortgage permanent loans and home-equity loans secured by one- to- four-family dwellings, without such approval.

The bank is authorized to continue all other normal banking operations.

-30- 1224

#90353c0224 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Design Corp.(TICKER: AMDC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,869,012	$2,111,096
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(66,097)	$74,188
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$0.05
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,469,325	1,500,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 19 90	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,978,579	$3,966,680
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,085,685	$1,025,745

-30- 1066

#90353c0226 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Strings Ltd.(TICKER: STGS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended	Nov. 3, 1990	Oct. 28, 1989
REVENUES	$891,204	$569,196
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$(100,302)
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(293,228)	$(262,279)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.14)	$(0.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,009,000	1,870,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Nov. 3, 1990	Feb. 3, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,152,427	$2,770,864
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,199,228	$2,000,542

-30- 1060

#90353c0227 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Entertainment Corp. of America.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,267,605	$1,066,900
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$87,390	$94,467
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,912,500	4,912,500

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,966,950	$1,424,327
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$23,798	$(171,583)

-30- 1069

#90353c0228 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by John Hanson Savings Bank F.S.B.(TICKER: JHSL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$246,000	$1,104,000
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$448,000	$2,139,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.08	$0.37

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$874,602,000	$887,553,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$21,399,000	$20,951,000

-30- 872

#90353c0229 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by National Quick Lube Ltd.(TICKER: NOLL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,	1990	1989

REVENUES	$4,097,180	$1,162,404
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,838,961)	$(1,455,923)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.11)	$(0.14)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	16,499,577	10,423,135

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,917,481	$2,764,073
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$155,761	$1,972,092

Figures are expressed in Canadian dollars.

-30- 1095

#90353c0230 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Radyne Corp.(TICKER: RADN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,607,689	$837,383
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$166,775	$22,456
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.03	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,406,328	4,524,222

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,106,176	$5,232,822
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,519,489	$1,981,442

-30- 1045

#90353c0231 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Orion Financial Ltd.(TICKER: ORFN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,554,000	$1,700,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$19,000	$(41,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,103,782	5,113,782

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,532,000	$4,770,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,080,000	$2,062,000

-30- 1061
#90353c0232 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by The Exploration Co.(TICKER: TXCO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Aug. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$75,027	$242,222
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(571,480)	$(144,515)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	122,159,147	117,840,882

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,054,239	$2,116,211
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,605,133	$611,359

-30- 1072
#90353c0234 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Data Measurement Corp.(TICKER: DMCB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,165,982	$4,604,519
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(114,539)	$226,292
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$0.18
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,208,085	1,247,904

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$21,687,931	$20,667,063
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,456,312	$5,149,674

-30- 1050
#90353c0235 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Mid-American Lines Inc.(TICKER: MAML).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,936,081	$2,866,025
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(155,433)	$(55,262)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.23)	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	677,307	677,307

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,782,675	$2,668,270
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$592,198	$724,556

-30- 1064
#90353c0236 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by ASK Corp.(TICKER: ASKC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$62,444	$50,809
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(365,343)	$(455,356)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	25,000,000	17,257,752

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,639,754	$6,773,993
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,307,524	$3,672,867

-30- 1043
#90353c0237 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Transnational Industries Inc.(TICKER: TRSL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$7,049,000	$6,511,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$(35,000)
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(265,000)	$(281,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.12)	$(0.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,646,000	2,646,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$31,990,000	$32,640,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,057,000	$6,418,000

-30- 1077
#90353c0238 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Audre Recognition Systems Inc.(TICKER: ADRE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$127,410	$372,073
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(378,097)	$(476,380)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	24,388,889	18,800,349

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,031,479	$1,673,601
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$109,318	$638,831

-30- 1083
#90353c0239 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Bioject Medical Systems Ltd.(TICKER: BJCT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$25,208	$15,328
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(679,717)	$(467,587)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,897,072	5,748,816

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$617,942	$255,404
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$201,231	$55,032

The company is a development stage enterprise. Its executive offices are

located at 7620 S.W. Bridgeport Road, Portland, Oregon 97224, and its telephone number is (503) 639-7221.

-30- 1251

#90353c0240 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Energy Optics Inc.(TICKER: EOPT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$152,413	$56,224
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(4,522)	$(93,163)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,951,612	2,547,762

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$371,125	$341,941
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(363,732)	$(359,210)

-30- 1050

#90353c0242 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Camelot Corp.(TICKER: CAML).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$139,960	$82,582
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$78,091	$(9,105)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,527,890	595,856

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$1,561,121	$928,312
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,151,023	$591,489

-30- 1043

#90353c0243 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Country Wide Transportation Services Inc. (TICKER: CWTS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,806,160	$16,297,167
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(955,810)	$(2,004,396)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.22)	$(0.46)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,128,387	$41,344,941
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,581,427	$12,939,382

-30- 1034

#90353c0244 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 10, 1990, Tipton County Bank and Tri-County Federal Savings Bank signed an agreement by which West-Tenn Bancorp Inc., the bank holding company that owns Tipton County Bank, will acquire Tri-County Federal Savings Bank upon its conversion from a mutual form savings bank to a stock form savings bank.

Upon regulatory and account-holder approval, West-Tenn notes, Tri-County will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Wes-Tenn Bancorp Inc.

The company's executive offices are located at 815 Highway 51 North, P.O. Box 667, Covington, Tennessee 38019, and its telephone number is (901) 476-2686.

-30- 842

#90353c0245 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Intermountain Exploration Co.(TICKER: INTM) reports the company has received notice from Homestake Mining Co.(TICKER: HM) that Homestake will return

Intermountain's Nelson property before Jan. 1, 1991, and discontinue payments to Intermountain of $5,000 per month, due to an executive change affecting exploration policy.

Intermountain states that three other companies have made overtures to take on the Nelson property, and the company expects it may take two months to place the property with a mining and development company.

Additionally, the company states, Comstock Gold Inc., 49% owned by Intermountain, has informed Intermountain that payments due by Grizzly Hill Joint Venture have not been paid since August, 1990, and that company's lease may not continue.

Comstock is considering plans for additional exploration and venture partners.

-30- 1109

#90353c0246 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30, 1990, International Thoroughbred Breeders Inc.(TICKER: ITB) sold substantially all the assets of its Philadelphia Park Racetrack for $67.0 million to Greenwood Racing Inc.

Of that figure, $17.0 million was paid in cash at closing and $1.0 million was paid as a deposit in October, 1990. A $50.0 million, 10-year, 11% purchase money note payable to International was issued by Greenwood.

Included in the sale was an approximately 417-acre tract of land in Bensalem Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

Also included were all buildings and improvements on the tract, equipment, machinery, furniture and other personal property used in the operation of the race track and various trademarks and tradenames.

-30- 968

#90353c0247 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Dec. 10, 1990, Forest Laboratories Inc.(TICKER: FRX) engaged BDO Seidman as its independent accountants.

BDO Seidman replaces Laventhol & Horwath, which filed for bankruptcy under Chapter 11.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

-30- 934

#90353c0248 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30, 1990, Independent Bankshares Inc.(TICKER: IBSI) sold one of its subsidiary banks, Muleshoe State Bank, to a group of local investors for a price of $2.24 million.

The executive office of Independent Bankshares is located at 500 Chestnut Street, P.O. Box 3296, Abilene, Texas 79604.

Its telephone number is (915) 677-5550.

-30- 543

#90353c0250 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 17, 1990, Insituform of North America Inc.(TICKER: INSM) announced its wholly-owned subsidiary, NU-PIPE Inc., entered into license agreements with its four licensees.

The licensees are: Insituform Mid-America Inc., NuPipe Southeast Inc., NuPipe Midwest and Naylor NuPipe Inc.

Under the agreements, the licensee has the exclusive rights to exploit the NuPipe Process for trenchless rehabilitation of sewers, tunnels and pipelines in an assigned territory, which for the first four licensees covers an aggregate of 23 states adn portions of two additional states as well as Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

-30- 859

#90353c0251 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 13, 1990, Montana Precision Mining Ltd.(TICKER: MPML) announced it entered into a joint venture agreement with MID OHIO.

The agreement is to commercial the Skygas process for use in the Car Shredder Residue field.

Skygas is a photo-electrokinetic process for converting solid and semi-solid wastes into clean burning medium BTU gas that can be used for producing steam or electric power.

The company also announced that its corporate headquarters has been moved to 100 Park Center Building, 908 N. Howard, Spokane, Washington 99201.

-30- 796

#90353c0252 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Yuba Natural Resources Inc.(TICKER: YUBA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	April 1 through Aug 9, 1990	April 1 through Sept. 30, 1989
REVENUES	$108,463	$487,726
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,139,471)	$(726,542)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	16,898,623	12,067,115

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 9, 1990	March 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,573,322	$4,362,338
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(8,520,099)	$(11,587,369)

-30- 1164

#90353c0253 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Altai Inc.(TICKER: ALTI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,392,000	$1,233,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(249,000)	$(93,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.13)	$(0.05)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,870,000	1,922,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,921,000	$5,157,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,779,000	$4,028,000

-30- 1023

#90353c0254 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Harold's Stores Inc.(TICKER: HRLD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,328,000	$8,577,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$214,000	$326,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.07	$0.11
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,042,957	3,042,957

BALANCE SHEET

	Nov. 3, 1990	Feb. 3, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,417,000	$17,410,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$13,632,000	$13,147,000

-30- 1042

#90353c0255 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Corporate Management Group Inc.(TICKER: KORP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,265,227	$2,798,030
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(447,594)	$19,912
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.26)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,700,108	2,644,108

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,614,017	$2,593,874
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$511,678	$921,888

-30- 1058

#90353c0256 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by O'Hara Resources Ltd.(TICKER: OHRA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$173	$65,126
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(270,571)	$(17,791)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,238,353	$6,227,351
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(4,071,214)	$(3,735,095)

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

-30- 1014

#90353c0258 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Kentana Development Inc.(TICKER: KDII).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$448,298	$1,006,471
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$24,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(158,388)	$70,942
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	45,735,100	45,735,100

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,466,160	$6,732,941
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$764,474	$450,568

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#90353c0259 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by National Environmental Controls Inc. (TICKER: NECT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Years Ended Aug. 31,	
	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,008,910	$2,294,803
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$118,382	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$14,832	$(452,859)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$690,517	$(990,922)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.16	$(0.24)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,874,981	$3,860,235
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,835,617	$223,639

-30- 1050

#90353c0260 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Saints & Sinners Entertainment Co.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1989	1990
REVENUES	$1,046	$75,415
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(8,142)	$3,064
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1989	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$588,197	$598,170
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$580,532	$589,812

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#90353c0261 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Vertex Industries Inc.(TICKER: VETX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$817,286	$877,701
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(121,562)	$(10,094)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.06)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,895,165	1,694,616

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,319,731	$2,365,078
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$683,048	$804,610

-30- 1022

#90353c0262 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Body Armor & Equipment Inc. (TICKER: ABAE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,188,444	$2,318,059
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$46,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$120,400	$27,047
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,531,250	2,531,250

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,254,397	$5,756,595
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,383,438	$1,379,782

-30- 1053

#90353c0263 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Nugget Oil Corp.(TICKER: NUGO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,666	$418,697
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(8,901)	$(308,481)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.02)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	21,283,640	15,701,100

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$160,652	$73,321
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(4,467)	$(132,481)

-30- 1019

#90353c0264 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Compusonics Video Corp.(TICKER: CPVD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$32,403	$54,130
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(47,787)	$(13,385)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	160,006,250	160,006,250

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$408,512	$503,303
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(62,335)	$(14,548)

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#90353c0266 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Monarch Avalon Inc.(TICKER: MAHI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,942,000	$1,956,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$32,000	$(106,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$(0.06)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,734,437	$1,774,532

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,682,000	$6,691,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,048,000	$6,111,000

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#90353c0267 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Herley Industries Inc.(TICKER: HRLY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,098,436	$2,786,530
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$142,329	$102,507
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.05	$0.04
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,000,279	2,695,564

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$18,011,487	$19,151,366
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,586,458	$7,303,354

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#90353c0268 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Chartwell Cable Fund Inc.(TICKER: CCFI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Aug. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$77,841	$26,043
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(214,750)	$(216,749)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.05)	$(1.08)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	203,602	200,901

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$993,161	$1,442,001
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$602,943	$817,693

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#90353c0269 12/19/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Dec. 13, 1990, RWE-DEA and Vista jointly announced that they had signed a definitive agreement providing for the acquisition of Vista by RWE-DEA. On Dec. 18, 1990, RWE-DEA announced that its subsidiary, Alpha Acquisition Corp., commenced its previously announced tender offer for all outstanding shares of common stock of Vista Chemical Co.(TICKER: VC), at $55 per share in cash. The tender offer is conditioned upon, among other things, there being tendered at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of Vista common stock on a fully diluted basis. The tender offer and withdrawal rights are schedule to expire Jan. 24, 1991, unless extended.

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#90353c0271 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY FIRST EXECUTIVE CORP. OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA OWNS 14,433,078 SHARES (16.50%) OF MICHIGAN GENERAL CORP. OF NORTH HIGHLANDS, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Merle A. Horst, Vice President of First Executive Corp., and Senior Vice President of Executive Life Insurance Company resigned from the Board of Directors of Michigan General Corp. in November, 1990.

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#90353c0272 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY WARBURG PINCUS CAPITAL CO. LP. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWN 4,251,200 SHARES (15.80%) OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP.(TICKER: UNIH) OF MINNETONKA, MINNESOTA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Dec. 10 through 17, 1990, Warburg Pincus Capital Co. LP., et al. sold 311,111 shares at a price of $21.50 to $22 per share.

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#90353c0273 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY CALVARY HOLDINGS INC. OWNS 100,000 SHARES (1.90%) OF DICEON ELECTRONICS INC.(TICKER: DICN) OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Dec. 12, 1990, Calvary Partners LP announced today that it intends to defend vigorously its right as a shareholder to propose amendments to Diceon's By-laws with respect to the qualifications of directors in response to the suit Diceon Electronics Inc. filed against it in the

Delaware Chancery Court. Diceon's suit alleges the proposed amendments to the By-Laws are in conflict with the Company's Certificate of Incorporation and Delaware law. Calvary maintains that the proposed amendments comply with both. In a press release dated Dec. 17, 1990, Calvary Partners LP announced that its lawsuit against Diceon Electronics Inc. to obtain Diceon's shareholder list under Delaware law was settled when the company agreed to produce the list.

-30- 1139
#90353c0276 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 52

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The company has indicated to Sutton that it is willing to sell the company for the right price. The company has scheduled a meeting with Sutton in order to demonstrate additional value in the company.

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#90353c0277 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY L.M. ROSS OWNS 3,878,650 SHARES (16.50%) OF FINANCIAL CORPORATION OF SANTA BARBARA (TICKER: FSB).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 13, 1990, L.M. Ross, et al. sold 602,200 shares for no consideration.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

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#90353c0278 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 19

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The services agreement among MKCI, Argonaut and Richmont, through which

Richmont managed MKCI's investment in the partnership and in Avon (TICKER: AVP), has been amended to extend the agreement's terms and to include certain other services.

PURPOSE:

Amended agreement.

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#90353c0279 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The board has determined that Calvary Partners' $5.25-a-share offer is inadequate and that shareholders should not tender their shares.

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#90353c0280 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY P. TSAKOS OWNS 523,000 SHARES (17.43%) OF GLOBAL OCEAN CARRIERS LTD.(TICKER: GLO) OF PIRAEUS, GREECE.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 5 to Dec. 17, 1990, P. Tsakos, et al. bought 55,700 shares for $281,450.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares.

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#90353c0281 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Gruss Partners elected to receive cash for its 127,300 shares of preferred of the company, according to the joint stock plan of reorganization.

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#90353c0282 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 2,317,860 SHARES (10.02%) OF LVI GROUP INC.(TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 13, 1990 Gamco Investors Inc. sold 10,000 shares at 6 cents each. Between Dec. 13 and Dec. 17, 1990 Gamco Investors Inc. sold 79,500 preferred convertible shares at 16 to 20 cents per share.

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#90353c0284 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC. OWNS 434,759 SHARES (6.09%) OF DELCHAMPS INC. (TICKER: DLCH) OF MOBILE, ALABAMA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 23 and Dec. 17, 1990 Gabelli Funds Inc., et al. sold 1,944 shares at $24 to $25.25 per share and purchased 89,890 share at $24 to $25.31 per share. Gabelli Funds Inc., et al. have lost beneficial ownership over 14,000 shares as a result of changes of dispositive power and beneficial ownership of GAMCO Investors Inc.

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#90353c0285 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY ADIA SA OF LAUSANNE, 9, SWITZERLAND OWNS 9,323,200 SHARES (74.78%) OF ADIA SERVICES INC.(TICKER: ADIA) OF MENLO PARK, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 14, 1990 Adia SA purchased 70,500 shares at $21.13 to $21.81 per share.

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#90353c0286 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CRAIGEN LT. MAINE OWNS 559,647 SHARES (8.90%) OF POLESTAR EXPLORATION INC. (TICKER: PSEA) OF VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90353c0287 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - Houston-based Vallen Corp.(TICKER: VALN), a manufacturer of industrial-safety equipment, has acquired Instrument Safety Inc., an instrument seller, servicer and repairer, for $1.21 million.

The acquisition was made through Vallen Safety Supply Co., according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 19, 1990.

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#90353c0288 12/19/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - Chicago-based North Shore Shore Gas Co., a natural gas utility, has asked the Illinois Commerce Commission for a $9.5 million rate increase.

A ruling on the rate hike is not expected until mid-November, 1991, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 19, 1990.

-30- 527
#90353d0000 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BONN (DEC. 19) - The German government has promised to provide Syria with 60 million marks (40.5 million dollars) in aid before the end of this year, Bonn

said Wednesday.

The Economic Cooperation Ministry said that under just-concluded negotiations with Damascus, the aid will include 50 million marks in low-interest credit and 10 million marks in technical assistance.

Agriculture and the energy sector in Syria will be the focal points for the aid spending, the ministry said.

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#90353d0030 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (DEC. 19) - The German central Bundesbank on Wednesday injected a net 2.2 billion Deutschemarks (about 1.46 billion dollars) into the banking system.

It made two repurchase arrangements totalling 23.1 billion marks as earlier arrangements totalling 20.9 billion marks expired.

The bank said that most of the amount made available, a sum of 17.6 billion marks, was arranged at rates ranging from 8.55 per cent and 8.60 per cent for 28 days.

Under the second arrangement, most of the funds, totalling 5.5 billion marks, were made available at rates ranging from 8.6 per cent to 8.7 per cent for 56 days.

-30- 793

#90353d0130 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (DEC. 19) - Coco, an African grey parrot, made the feathers fly in a Berlin court when he was charged with verbal assault against his neighbours, the German press reports.

His owner, Guenter B., had bought Coco from a pub, where the bird had been taught to make wolf-whistles and screech: "I love kissing the ladies."

Mr. B. was fined 80 Deutsche marks (54.50 dollars) because of "excessive noise " Bild reported Tuesday.

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#90353d0280 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 19) - Airbus Industrie, which markets the European Airbus aircraft, said on Wednesday that the sale of 5 Airbus A340 aircraft and five options to Japanese All Nippon Airways (ANA), was a major step in the Asian market.

ANA announced the Airbus orders at the same time that it announced a decision to by 15 of the future U.S. Boeing B-777 aircraft and 10 options.

Airbus said that the order by ANA, the main competitor to Japan Airlines, was the first by a company in the Far East for the four-engined, long-haul 250-seat aircraft which is due to be launched at the end of 1992.

ANA would take delivery of the first airliners in 1996.

Airbus noted that the head of the ANA selection committee Keisuke Inui had said that the A340 was the best solution for long-distance non-stop flights and was ideal for routes with moderate traffic between Europe and North America where ANA was rapidly developing flights.

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#90353d0340 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC 19) - More than 50 senior figures, including army officers, deputies and the Patriarch of All Russia, urged Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on Wendesday to declare states of emergency in cases when law and order threatened to break down, the Interfax news agency reported.

The message was signed notably by deputy Defence Minister Valentin Varennikov, Interior Ministry troops commander Yuri Shatalin and Patriarch Alexei II.

It said presidential rule should be declared in "zones of major conflict" if nromal methods failed to bring separatists, black market dealers and armed units to heel.

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#90353d0360 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MAPUTO (DEC. 19) - Mozambican government forces Wednesday repelled a Renamo rebel attempt to capture the northern town of Murrupula, killing 35 rebels, Radio Mozambique reported.

Two rebels were captured in the fighting in Nampula province.

It was Renamo's second attempt to capture a town in the province in less than one week. Last Saturday government troops repelled an attempt to capture Lalaua and killed at least nine rebels, it added.

-30- 619

#90353d0370 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (DEC. 19) - Lebanese Prime Minister Selim al-Hoss on Wednesday offered the resignation of his government, official sources said.

Education Minister Omar Karami (eds: correct) has been tipped to form a new cabinet but his appointment must await consultations between President Elias Hrawi and his deputies.

The resignation had not been unexpected, as official Lebanese television reported Monday that Mr. Hoss wanted "to rest after four years of service during a time of crisis."

Mr. Hoss's latest government was formed November 25, 1989, shortly after parliament endorsed the Arab-brokered Taif accord.

The agreement, initially approved in Taif, Saudi Arabia, called for a new government of national unity and granted Moslem political figures greater political clout.

The first Hoss cabinet was named in June 1987 following the death in a helicopter explosion of Prime Minister Rashid Karami, the brother of Omar Karami.

Prime Minister Hoss recently presided over the reunification of Beirut after 15 years of factional strife, a move made possible after secular and religious militias agreed to withdraw militarily from the capital.

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#90353d0390 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HARARE (DEC. 19) - Zimbabwe's cost of living rose by 16,9 per cent in the first seven months of this year, 3,6 per cent more than during the same period last year, the lastest issue of the Zimbabwe banking corporation, Zimbank, economic review reported on Wednesday.

According to the review the sharpest price increases of 22,2 per cent and 20,1 per cent occurred in clothing and footwear respectively. The cost of household stores and foodstuffs was reported to have rocketed by 17,1 per cent.

"Prices have accelerated progressively in virtually every month this year," said the review, adding that the easing of price controls from January had seen increases in the prices of several foodstuffs, including milk, bread, meat and sugar which went up by between eight and 55 per cent.

Rail and bus fares were put up by a minimum of 21 per cent and petrol and diesel prices by 45 per cent, while medical aid costs went up by 25 per cent.

Because price controls have been further eased, the review predicted that another fuel hike seemed unavoidable, as there was currently no solution in sight in the Gulf.

"With growing production constraints and rising consumer demand, consumer

prices look certain to be rising by between 17 to 18 per cent by early next year," the review added.

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#90353d0400 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

GENEVA (DEC. 19) - United Nations aid officials on Wednesday strongly criticised the international community for failing to provide aid for Liberia, where "the greatest human tragedy of our time" was underway.

U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar's call for 13 million dollars to finance immediate aid to the war-torn West African country had brought no specific contributions so far, said Frank Verhagen and Bryan Larner of the U.N. Disaster Relief Co-ordinator's Office (UNDRO).

Meanwhile the United States, which has a special relationship with Liberia, was "waiting for a political settlement" to end the civil war before providing aid.

They said there was an "embarrassing silence" about Liberia, where "the greatest human tragedy of our time" had been unfolding for the past year, since rebels led by Charles Taylor launched a bid to topple President Samuel Doe, slain in September by dissident rebels.

So far, the only help getting through from traditional donors was aid siphoned off from programmes for neighbouring countries, the officials said.

Food aid was available, but if this were to be interrupted in the next few months, it would take five or six months to resume shipments because of difficult access to the country.

They described the situation in Liberia as "volatile and fragile".

Out of a population of some three million, 800,000 had become refugees and displaced people, while 1.5 million were suffering from devastation that had caused lack of food and medicine, among other problems.

Although the U.N.'s 20 staff in Monrovia were able to help the 400,000 people who "depend entirely on external aid", it would be difficult and dangerous for them to leave the capital to evaluate aid needs in rural areas, the officials said.

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#90353d0420 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BERLIN (DEC. 19) - The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) is to open an aid centre in Romania next year that will mark the agency's return to eastern Europe after nearly 40 years, UNICEF executive director James Grant said

Wednesday.

The centre, to be opened by early February, will be staffed by an Irishwoman, Rosemary MacCleary, with local help, he said. Funded to the tune of 3.5 million dollars over the next two years, it will set up four regional centres to advise Romanian authorities on child care and pay for exchange trips between Romanian child helpers and those from other countries.

In addition, 1.5 million dollars have already been allocated this year as emergency aid for Romania, he said.

Mr. Grant also unveiled the agency's annual report, which reveals an alarming incidence of child malnutrition and declining education standards in the newly-democratised countries of eastern Europe, where governments have been forced to slash social budgets.

UNICEF was set up after World War II to care for orphaned and needy children in Europe. In the 1950s, its mandate was changed so that the agency's efforts were directing to helping children in developing countries. It has no aid centres in Europe, although it sometimes provides emergency aid.

Mr. Grant also warned that increasing numbers of children are threatened by social cuts in the western industrialised countries and new risks from drugs and acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS).

"In effect, there is a Third World in most industrial countries," he said.

The UNICEF report challenges developing countries to reduce their military budgets in order to help pay for a care programme launched on September 30 by the "World Summit for Children" in New York.

The summit, attended by 71 heads of state and government, pledged to end all child deaths and child malnutrition, on today's scale, by the year 2000.

The 22-point programme will cost around 20 billion dollars a year, of which around two-thirds will probably have to come from the developing countries, the report estimates.

Half of the 20 billion could be made available immediately if those governments ordered a mere five-per-cent cut in their military budgets, which now outstrip their education and health spending combined, it says.

Mr. Grant said that India and Pakistan, together with "Middle East" countries that he did not name, were the biggest culprits in military over-spending.

"India and Pakistan can no more afford their continued arms race through the 1990s than could the USSR and the United States continue their arms race through the 1990s," he said.

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#90353d0460 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 19) - More than 50 Soviet personalities, among them officers, deputies and the Patriarch of All Russia, on Wednesday urged President Mikhail Gorbachev to consider emergency rule in cases when law and order threatened to break down, the Interfax news agency reported.

The message was signed notably by deputy Defence Minister Valentin Varennikov, Interior Ministry troops commander Yuri Shatalin and Patriarch Alexei II.

It said presidential rule and state of emergency should be declared in "zones of major conflict" in the event of "failure to exert effective consitutional pressure on separatists, black market dealers and of armed units continuing to shed human blood".

The Soviet Union was facing the threat of "losing its social system which has been preserved despite all the cataclysms of the past 70 years," the signatories said.

Government and social structures were "falling apart" and threatening to bring about "hunger and chaos", while "calls for civil war have been heard from the media", they added.

Reform had been held up by "the criminal shadow economy groups" which are "anti-national and anti-socialist in essence" and which were out to destroy the country.

Mr. Gorbachev could rely on support from the communist party and "the world's leading politicians", the message said.

Those figuring in the list of 53 names also included Leningrad communist party boss Boris Gidaspov, Navy commander Admiral Vladimir Chernavin, the chief of the general staff, General Mikhail Moiseyev and Culture Minister Nikolai Gubenko.

-30- 1771
#90353d0540 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC 19) - Japanese prosecutors raided the home and office of a former minister Wednesday and questioned him about evading millions of dollars in taxes on income from speculative stock deals, prosecution sources said.

Toshiyuki Inamura, a member of parliament from the ruling Liberal Democratic Party who served as Environment Agency director general between 1986 and 1988, allegedly evaded taxes of more than one billion yen (7.5 million dollars).

Sources at the Tokyo District Prosecutors Office said the 55-year-old former minister would probably be charged within the next two weeks.

The raid and questioning by public prosectors represent a new twist in Japan's latest corruption scandal which began with the arrest in July of Mitsuhiro Kotani, the former president of investment firm Koshin Co. Ltd.

Mr. Inamura is alleged to have made almost three billion yen (22.6 million dollars) in stockmarket transactions channelled through Koshin while he was director general of the Environment Agency.

The 53-year old former president of Koshin has been charged with violating Japan's securities transaction law by manipulating the price of shares in Kokusai Kogyo Co. Ltd., the biggest aerial surveillance company in Japan.

The scandal has claimed several victims to date. The most prominent has been Sumitomo Bank Ltd. chairman, Ichiro Isoda, who resigned as the head of Japan's third biggest bank in October after the arrest of a Sumitomo branch manager who allegedly arranged 23 billion yen (173 million dollars) in loans to Mr. Kotani.

The resignation prompted two other senior Sumitomo executives, deputy chairman Yasushi Nishi and vice president Teizaburo Nishi, to step down.

Another two banks -- Sanwa Bank Ltd., the country's sixth-biggest bank, and Mitsui Trust and Banking Co. Ltd., the third-biggest trust bank -- have been implicated in the affair but have not been accused of any wrongdoing.

Four securities firms -- including Daiwa Securities Co. Ltd., the country's second-biggest stockbroker, and Citicorp Scrimgeor Vickers International Ltd. of the United States -- have also been implictated. Japan's Finance Ministry punished the four in August by ordering them to briefly suspend trading.

The latest scandal to rock the Japanese establishment follows the Recruit bribery scandal which emerged in late 1988. The uncovering of that particular web of political favours led to the resignation of Prime Minister Noboru Takeshita last year and the stepping down of three ministers.

The Recruit affair has also led to the trial of 12 politicians, bureaucrats and businessmen for various offences. The verdicts in two of the five trials have already found former labour ministry official Shigeru Kano and former Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp. chairman Hisashi Shinto guilty of bribery.

The Asahi Shimbun, the newspaper which first reported Mr. Inamura's links to the Kotani scandal, called Wednesday for prosecutors to adopt a "dauntless posture in rectifying what should be rectified" in the latest affair.

"It remains an open secret that the buying and selling of shares remains a way for politicians to reap political funds," the influential daily said. "The

latest case involving Inamura may represent just the tip of the iceberg."

"Within the Liberal Democratic Party nowadays, there prevails a mounting air of indifference to political reform," the newspaper said. "The Inamura case, which was brought to light in a 'danger-past-and-God-forgotten' mood, must be accepted as a stern warning."

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#90353d0550 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 19) - Britain's gross domestic product fell by 1.2 per cent in real terms in the third quarter of 1990 compared with the second quarter, provisional seasonally-adjusted official figures showed here on Wednesday.

The fall in growth was bigger than had been expected by analysts who had forecast a fall of one per cent.

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#90353d0580 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (DEC 19) - Former Polish interior minister Czeslaw Kiszczak and prime minister Zbigniew Messner are being investigated for misappropriation of funds the newspaper Gazeta reported on Wednesday.

The paper said that the public prosecutor in Olsztyn opened an inquiry on Tuesday into allegations that General Kiszczak had used state funds to build a luxurious dacha in the forested northern region of Mazury. The general was one of the organizers of round table talks between the communist regime and the opposition in spring 1989, .

Mr. Messner is being investigated by the Warsaw public prosecutor on charges that he bought a Warsaw villa in which he has lived in 1984 "at a low price" and that he sold an appartment in Katowica, where he lived before becoming prime minister, on the black market.

The investigation of Mr. Messner is complicated by the fact that his villa had been confiscated by the government from its former owner, Colonel Ryszard Kuklinski, after he fled to the West shortly before martial law was declared in December 1981.

In a recent open letter, General Kiszczak called on his countrymen "not to rummage around in people's past," a process which he said could create new tragedies and endanger the process towards democracy.

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#90353d0630 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (DEC. 19) - Danish pacifist associations on Wednesday called on

their government to support a negotiated settlement to the Gulf crisis, in an appeal published in local newspapers.

"We condemn the occupation of Kuwait by Saddam Hussein," read the appeal, signed by 1,800 pacifists, "but nothing justifies a new, bloody war whose consequences would be incalculable."

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#90353d0930 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI, Dec 19 (AFP) - Hindu and Moslem rioters fought street battles in the west Indian city of Ahmedabad Wednesday in continued violence over a holy site claimed by both communities that has left more than 350 people dead.

In the northern Indian state of Uttar Pradesh, the administration announced plans to recruit 5,000 men to combat rioting in the province, one of the worst affected by the spate of violence.

Rioters knifed and wounded six people in Ahmedabad, the commercial centre of western Gujarat state, in clashes in poorer districts of the city, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

City police enforced an indefinite curfew and fired teargas to disperse the rioters in Ahmedabad, where 34 people have died since violence erupted nearly two weeks ago, PTI said.

State-owned All India Radio (AIR) said the administration in Uttar Pradesh, India's largest state, will hire 5,000 locals to battle Hindu-Moslem rioting.

Uttar Pradesh's Hindu-majority paramilitary Provincial Armed Constubulary has often been accused of a communal bias in dealing with Hindu-Moslem rioting in the region.

PTI said most riot-hit Uttar Pradesh districts were returning to normal Wednesday.

More than 350 people have died in four Indian states since the outbreak of violence December 7, a day after Hindu militants resumed their campaign to replace a 16th-century mosque with a temple.

Hundreds of Hindus have marched on the Ayodhya shrine daily since then.

Hindus say the mosque in Ayodhya was built by Mughal rulers after razing a temple dedicated to their Lord Rama. Moslems reject this account.

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#90353d0960 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (DEC 19) - The core problem for Poland's president-elect Lech Walesa in getting a new government team together is whether to stick with the current tough economic policies or to allow some relaxation of the austerity.

That was made clear when his first choice as prime minister, the respected 60-year-old lawyer Jan Olszewski, gave up attempts to form a cabinet, citing "major differences of opinion" with Mr. Walesa.

With time pressing as his investiture nears, Mr. Walesa has been forced to tackle the task himself directly, although it is normally a premier's prerogative to name his ministers.

The former Solidarity chief knows the Polish people expect a distinct improvement in living conditions, but his room for manoeuvre is extremely restricted by outside factors. The country is 45 billion dollars in debt, and energy costs are up.

It emerged on Wednesday that current finance minister Leszek Balcerowicz was the sticking-point in all the negotiations.

Economist Janusz Lewandowski, of the Gdansk Liberals group close to Mr. Walesa told the Gazeta newspaper that the minister was the reason for the disagreement between Mr. Walesa and Mr. Olszewski.

Mr. Balcerowicz, who also has deputy premier rank, masterminded the plan for changing Poland into a market economy and represents the best guarantee for Western investors that the new government would abide by financially rigorous policies.

But his austerity package has angered the peasantry and the poorest sectors of society, where living standards have slumped 35 per cent in a year.

Mr. Walesa and the Liberals want to keep him in both his posts as "guardian of the anti-inflationist policy". The stratospheric price rises of 900 per cent last year have been clawed back to 250 per cent now.

The Liberals, very influential with Mr. Walesa, are suggesting there should be a second deputy premier responsible for "structural transformations and the fight against recession".

Names mentioned among the liberal economists of the Gdansk group include Mr. Lewandowski, Jan Bielecki -- also tipped to replace Mr. Olszewski -- and Andrzej Machalski a senator.

A complicating factor is that Mr. Balcerowicz has made it clear he wants to be solely in charge of working out future economic policy.

#90353d0980 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC 19) - Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas, whose country co-chairs with France the international Paris conference on Cambodia, arrived here Wednesday for bilateral talks aimed at smoothing the way for a new peace meeting.

Friday's talks have been scheduled with the 12-member Supreme National Council representing the three Cambodian resistance factions and the Phnom Penh government, to discuss the SNC's role and implementation of a draft U.N. plan concerning a transitional period ahead of elections in Cambodia.

Indonesian embassy officials said the minister would meet with French Foreign Ministry specialist Jean-David Levitte, before holding talks with CNS representatives.

Later in the day he could also see his French counterpart Roland Dumas, who is co-chairing Friday's meeting, according to informed sources.

Most of the participants at Friday's meeting are already here, including Khieu Samphan of the Khmer Rouge who also arrived Wednesday, and other opposition representatives including former prime minister Son Sann and Prince Norodom Ranariddh.

The latter is the son of Prince Norodom Sihanouk, who has also been holding consultations this week during a "private visit" to France. Prince Sihanouk is not an SNC member and said last week he no longer sought the SNC chairmanship.

Hun Sen, prime minister of the Vietnamese-installed Cambodian government, was due here Friday.

Foreign Ministry experts would hold bilateral meetings on Thursday to prepare for Friday's session, which could run into a second day, French Foreign Ministry spokesman Daniel Bernard said.

On Friday, the co-chairmen will formally present the SNC with the draft Cambodian peace plan agreed here on November 26 by the "big five" permanent members of the Security Council -- the United States, Britain, France, the Soviet Union and China.

The plan gives sweeping powers to the U.N. transitional authority, including control of key ministries in Cambodia.

The SNC, formed three months ago, is recognised as the "only legitimate source of authority" but is asked to delegate "all necessary powers" to the United Nations during the transitional period.

Phnom Penh has criticised the accord for "dismantling" the government

currently in place.

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#90353d1060 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KIGALI (DEC. 19) - Forty rebels have been killed in continued fighting in Rwanda's northern Kiyombe region between government forces and the rebel Patriotic Front of Rwanda, Rwandan military authorities said on Wednesday.

Two officers and a number of soldiers from the Ugandan 4th brigade were among the casualties, according to the same sources.

Fighting last week in the same region killed 60 rebels and 10 government soldiers, military authorities said.

The sources said that the rebels had been able to cross the frontier from Uganda without opposition from the Ugandan army. Rwanda has repeatedly accused Uganda of ignoring rebel activities around its borders.

Several thousand rebels, most of them members of Rwanda's minority Tutsi tribe who fled the country years ago, invaded north-eastern Uganda on October 1 but were subsequently pushed back to the border by Rwandan government forces.

Many of the rebels were enlisted members of the Ugandan army.

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#90353d1160 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DHAKA (DEC. 19) - An unknown number of people were missing and feared dead when a fishing boat carrying at least 100 passengers capsized in turbulent weather near here, a newspaper reported Wednesday.

The mass-circulation Daily Ittefaq, quoting a survivor, said the overloaded trawler was caught in a high wind and capsized on the Padma River in Munshigang district 15 miles (24 kilometers) from here late Tuesday.

Most of the 100 people aboard the vessel jumped into the river and tried to swim to safety, said survivor, Khandakar Golam Mowla, who took two hours to reach the river bank.

Local officials were not immediately available for comment on the report. Bangladesh was whipped by high winds Tuesday when a severe depression moved

inland from the Bay of Bengal.

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#90353d1250 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HELSINKI (DEC. 19) - Finland had a trade surplus of 564 million marks (about 157 million dollars) in November, it was announced here on Wednesday.

According to the Government Bureau of Customs, exports last month amounted to 8,965 million marks (about 2,490 million dollars) and imports to 8,401 million marks (about 2,333 million dollars).

For the first 11 months of the year, Finland had a trade deficit of 1,606 million marks (about 446 million dollars) compared with one of 4,547 million marks (about 1,263 million dollars) for the correspondiing period last year.

In November last year exports were 9,429 million marks (2,619 million dollars) and imports 9,927 million marks (about 2,758 million dollars).

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#90353d1260 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 19) - Foreign Ministers of the 12-member European Community (E.C.) decided Wednesday to nearly triple financial assistance to southern and eastern Mediterranean nations to help them overcome their economic problems.

The increased aid of a total of 4.3 billion Ecus (5.9 billion dollars) will be paid over a period of five years until 1996.

Of the total, 1.3 billions Ecus will come directly from E.C. coffers while grants totalling 3.0 billion Ecus will be raised by the European Investment Bank.

In addition, the foreign ministers agreed to grant Mediterranean nations preferential trade terms.

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#90353d1300 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (DEC. 19) - American Oil Co. (AMOCO) of the United States will ship 50,000 metric tonnes of crude oil each month to Pakistan, industry sources said here Wednesday.

The sources said AMOCO will begin shipping the oil, lifted in Saudi Arabia, in January on 30 days' credit, adding that the contract was probably for one year.

Official confirmation of the report was not immediately available.

An earlier agreement with Saudi Arabia for supply of 20,000 barrels per day of light crude is to expire December 31, the sources said.

Meanwhile, Pakistan has issued tenders for supply of some million tonnes of petroleum products, on six months' credit, to meet the country's requirements for the first quarter of 1991. The tenders, issued in the past week, will be opened on Thursday.

Pakistan's petroleum ministry has said the country will need 32,000 tonnes of gasoline, 140,000 tonnes of kerosene, 638,000 tonnes of gas-oil and 200,000 tonnes of fuel oil.

Industry sources said the imports would cost 250 million to 300 million dollars.

Pakistan used to import the bulk of its oil from Kuwait at concessionary rates of 15 dollars per barrel and the country has been badly hit by the Gulf crisis.

The official Associated Press of Pakistan (APP) reported meanwhile that Islamabad has told a United Nations working group on the effects of the Gulf crisis that it needs about two billion dollars in additional aid.

The special working group of the U.N. security council is preparing aid recommendations for donor countries and multi-national financial institutions to assist affected countries, APP reported from New York.

Pakistan has sent troops to Saudi Arabia as part of the multi-national military buildup in the kingdom after Iraq's August 2 invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

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#90353d1410 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (DEC. 19) - Libyan revolutionary leader Moamer Gaddafi has invited Egyptian President Hosny Mubarak to hold consultations with him on the Gulf crisis, the Egyptian news agency Mena reported here Wednesday.

The report said that Information Minister Mohammed Safwat Mohammed Jussef el Sharif, who had undertaken a surprise trip to Tripoli on Tuesday bearing a message from Mubarak, had brought back the invitation.

On Monday, Algerian President Chadli Benjedid had met here with Mubarak and then flown on to Libya. Benjedid was on an extended Middle East tour which has apparently failed to produce any progress towards a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

Mubarak has in recent weeks repeatedly described Arab initiatives as pointless as long as Iraq refuses to withdraw from Kuwait.

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#90353d1430 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
EPERNAY, FRANCE (DEC. 19) - The 1990 champagne harvest yielded a healthy 287.8 million bottles and is expected to be of vintage quality, but the Alsatian wine harvest, stunted by an unseasonably cold spring, fell by 11 per cent, industry associations announced Wednesday.

The Interprofessional Champagne Committee said that the 287.8 million bottle harvest, up from 279 million bottles in 1989, represented "a very good year," and that the 1990 champagne should be "vintage" due to its alcohol content of between 10 and 10.7 per cent.

The committee said that the 1990 crop, while hit by cold weather in April and June, was aided by the dry, hot summer followed by early autumn rain.

In Colmar, a statement from the Interprofessional Alsatian Wine Committee said that while the wine produced in the Alsace region in 1990 was "of very good quality," the total quantity produced fell 11 per cent from the 1989 total.

Muscat and gewurztraminer were the hardest hit, down 43 per cent from 1989, due to "a poor blossoming period and the washing away of much of the pollen by rain," the committee said.

The riesling harvest fell by 10.5 per cent, while pinot blanc and sylvaner were slightly more abundant.

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#90353d1610 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ABU DHABI (DEC 19) - The United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Syria on Wednesday appealed to Iraq to avert war in the Gulf by withdrawing its troops from Kuwait, officials here said.

The UAE foreign minister, Rashed Abdallah, and his Syrian counterpart Farouk al-Shara also urged Baghdad to adopt a "courageous decision toward the Arab and international resolutions" calling for an Iraqi withdrawal.

Mr. Shara ended a 24-hour visit during which he met the UAE president, Sheikh Zayed ibn Sultan ibn Nahayan, and delivered a letter from Syrian leader Hafez al-Assad.

Syria has deployed troops in both the UAE and Saudi Arabia as part of the U.S.-led multinational force assembled in the region after the August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Mr. Shara warned Tuesday that there was no scope for compromise in the Gulf

crisis without a complete Iraqi withdrawal, and he held Baghdad responsible for the failure of Arab peace efforts.

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#90353d1650 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (DEC. 19) - Foreign ministers from the 12-nation European Community (EC) and Latin America will sign a declaration on Thursday to make their cooperation stronger and more regular.

The declaration would set the framework for regular political meetings between the EC and Latin America. These meetings would become the only forum for discussions in place of the various fora which currently exist.

An Italian foreign ministry spokesman said the meeting in Rome "should calm Latin American fears that the EC would become 'fortress Europe' or would earmark most of its aid for Eastern Europe."

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#90353d1800 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 19) - Namibia on Wednesday joined the African, Caribbean and Pacific (Acp) group of nations by signing the Lome-Iv treaty which will qualify it for some 62 million dollars' worth of European Community (E.C.) aid over the next five years.

Joining the Acp some nine months since gaining its independence, Namibia stands to gain the E.C. help under the 1991-95 ''Lome-Iv'' treaty, officials said.

Namibian Prime Minister Hage Geingob, who signed the Lome convention, stressed the importance which the treaty posed for his economically-deprived country.

Namibia had considerable development potential, but urgently needed outside financial and technical support, he said.

E.C. Commission vice president Manuel Marin praised the progress which Namibia had made in the political sphere as being a ''positive model for change in southern Africa''.

He said the Lome treaty provided the ideal framework for the E.C. to support Namibia in dealing with its most immediate problems.

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#90353d1980 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 19) - Japan's Economic Planning Agency (EPA) is seeking a government forecast of 3.8 per cent real growth in Japanese gross national

product (GNP) in the next fiscal year, officials said Wednesday.

The agency estimated domestic demand would contribute four per cent to GNP growth in fiscal 1991, starting next April, and foreign trade would contribute a negative 0.2 per cent, the officials said.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu's cabinet is to forecast Japan's 1991 GNP growth rate at an extraordinary meeting Thursday, they said.

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#90353d1990 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 19) - Annual spending in Japan's next five-year national defense program for 1991-1995 will grow 2.9 per cent, about half of the 5.4 per cent rise in the current plan, officials said Wednesday.

The new program, set at 22.75 trillion yen (171 billion dollars), is 23 per cent larger than the current five-year plan expiring in March, they said.

The new defense buildup policy, agreed on at a Defense Council meeting Wednesday, is to be approved at an extraordinary cabinet meeting Thursday, the officials said.

Defense agency officials said the new five-year defense buildup program took easing East-West tensions into account.

Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu and other ministers agreed at the meeting that East-West relations were moving towards "dialogue and cooperation," defense agency officials said.

They also agreed that Moscow had increased the quality of its Far Eastern military strength, but reduced the quantity, the officials said.

A high-ranking defense agency official said Monday that the agency would seek to improve quality, rather than quantity, in frontline military equipment under the next five-year program.

Major purchases under the new plan will include airborne warning and control system (AWACS) planes and multiple launch rocket systems, officials said.

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#90353d2040 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (DEC. 19) - Several thousand people gathered Wednesday in Timisoara in western Romania, a key site of the unrest which toppled dictator Nicolae Ceasescu on December 22 last year, local television reported.

There has been political and social unrest in Timisoara since last Sunday,

when commemorations of last year's events began.

A general strike was launched by 11 companies in Timisoara, which lies near Romania's western border with Yugoslavia, to deplore the nation's "disastrous" economy.

Another 17 companies were supporting the national student strike which began on December 11 to try and force President Ion Iliescu and his government to resign. The students want a national unity government to be formed.

On Wednesday, crowds of workers arrived in the city centre for a union meeting. Striking students joined them. The crowd then moved to police headquarters where the committee responsible for commemorating the events of Dwecmeber 1989 had organised a press conference.

At the end of the press conference, demonstrators laid a wreath at the gates of the "Elba" company in memory of the workers who died last year in clashes with the army. The demonstrators then moved on to a main gathering site, Opera Square.

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#90353d2110 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
GENEVA (DEC. 19) - Britain said Wednesday that progress had been made in talks with Albania on restoring diplomatic relations which have been broken off since World War II.

A British statement said that after two days of talks to discuss bilateral relations and the restoration of diplomatic ties that the talks "took place in a constructive atmosphere" and "progress was made".

The British delegation gave no details on the nature of the progress or how close the two nations were to restoring diplomatic relations.

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#90353d2140 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROME (DEC. 19) - Italian industrial production was up by 0.2 percent in October (which had 23 working days) from the previous October (with 22), the National Statistics Institute said here on Wednesday.

For the first 10 months of the year, industrial output was 0.4 percent higher than in the corresponding period last year, but there was one more working day in that period this year.

Seasonally corrected and adjusted for the number of working days, the industrial output index was 116.9 in October, agaist 119.2 in September. In August it hit 120.3.

The figures confirm the slowdown of the Italian economy that has been reported for weeks by Italian employers, who have been pressing the government to take steps to help companies.

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#90353d2200 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Ankara (DEC. 19) - Officials from the four Black Sea powers, Bulgaria, Romania, the Soviet Union and Turkey, began discussing here Wednesday a proposed scheme for regional cooperation.

In a message to the conference, Turkish President Turgut Ozal said ''when we first proposed the idea, we were confident that the latest developments in Europe had opened the way for us to join our efforts towards setting up new models for partnership''.

A working document submitted by Turkey to the participants foresees cooperation for a region-wide infrastructure of roads, energy and telecommunication facilities and the free movement of people, goods, services and capital.

Deputy Soviet Foreign Minister Ernest Obminski said he viewed the project positively and expected it to contribute to the economic, social and cultural development of the Black Sea states.

Beside its economic value, Obminski stressed the project's human dimension, saying it would promote friendship between the peoples and ''help erase ethnic and nationalistic animosities''.

To back his words, he pointed to the composition of the Soviet delegation which, beside the representatives of the central government, included ranking officials from the Soviet governments of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia and Moldavia.

Tansug Bleda, the Turkish delegation chief, told reporters that the scheme would win Turkey an export market equalling the European Community (E.C.) in size and give it a leading status due to its longer experience with the market economy. The E.C was favourably disposed to the scheme, he added.

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#90353d2230 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAHORE, PAKISTAN (DEC. 19) - A senior Iranian diplomat was shot dead and another accompanying him was wounded by unknown assailants here late Wednesday, official sources said.

Sadiq Ganji, director general of the Iranian Cultural Centre in Lahore, was

gunned down outside the International Hotel here where he had gone to attend a party, witnesses said.

Official sources said another unidentified Iranian accompanying him was seriously injured.

Sources here said the assailants armed with automatic weapons opened fire on Mr. Ganji hitting him in the head and chest.

He was taken to the Services Hospital where he was pronounced dead.

Mr. Ganji had been chief of the Iranian Cultural Centre for three years. He was recently given orders to transfer back to Teheran.

The Iranian official was due to leave for Teheran on December 28, diplomatic sources said.

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#90353d2240 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 19) - The European Communities Commission announced on Wednesday that it is fining three European chemical firms 48 million European Currency Units (66.2 million dollars) for illegal agreements.

Belgian company Solvay will have to pay 30 million ECU (41.4 million dollars), Britain's ICI 17 million ECU (23.46 million dollars), and Chemische Fabrik Kalk of Germany, a BASF subsidiary, one million ECU (1.38 million dollars), a Commission spokesman said.

Solvay and ICI were charged with having divided up the European sodium carbonate market for years, and of having concluded a specific agreement with the German firm in connection with the German market.

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#90353d2290 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 19) - Lloyds Bank said Wednesday it had reduced from 100 to 75 percent its stake in private German bank Schroder Munchmeyer, prompting gains in the British bank's share price.

At the close of trading, Lloyds shares were trading at 292 pence, up ten pence on their value Tuesday.

Lloyds said it had sold 25 percent of its stake in Schroder Munchmeyer to its senior management. The value of the deal wasn't disclosed.

The private bank, valued at 140 million DM (95 million dollars), was acquired in the early 1980s. The partial sale is consistent with Lloyds' strategy of

reducing overseas commitments to concentrate on its core British business.

A spokesman for Lloyds in London said that the move was designed to, "strengthen the team spirit and entrepreneurial ethos that has enabled the bank to prosper".

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#90353d2350 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 19) - The Paris Bourse suffered a small loss on Wednesday on the first day of the January trading month, as the CAC-40 stock price index dipped by 0.15 per cent, operators said.

The tone had been firm at the opening, with the CAC-40 indicator jumping by 1.73 per cent in the wake of Wall Street's enthusiastic welcome to the half-point drop of the U.S. discount rate.

But prices quickly turned down on strong sales, and the indicator was in the red barely an hour later.

Operators said the drop, though small, was a bad sign for the near term, as the first day of a new trading month usually brings a rise because operators have the whole trading month to settle their positions.

Analysts commented that the U.S. Federal Reserve's decision to lower the discount rate was good for the stock market, but had been generally anticipated. It also comes at the last minute, they added, as the American economy displays increasing signs of marked weakness.

Investors said they were also concerned about pessimistic forecasts for the French economy in 1991 issued by the National Statistics and Economic Studies Institute (INSEE), and about the franc's behavior vis-a-vis the Deutsche mark. Turbulence within the European Monetary System (EMS) rules out any marked loosening of monetary policy in France, experts say.

The Gulf crisis remains another worrisome factor.

Shares making progress on the day include Salsigne, up 13 per cent, Bellon with 6.4, and Gaz et Eaux and Moulinex, six per cent each.

Comptoir des Entrepreneurs dropped 5.8 per cent, Auxiliaire d'Entreprises 5.7 per cent, and Pechiney International 4.8 per cent.

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#90353d2480 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) - The U.S. Congress may consider retaliatory action against South Korea if Seoul does not liberalize its farm import policies, a

special envoy of South Korean President Roh Tae Woo said here Wednesday.

Soon Cho, a former deputy premier, said the threat of congressional action was conveyed to him in separate meetings he had here this week with Republican Senator Richard Lugar, U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills, Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher and other administration officials.

"They said that if Korea's trade protectionist policies continued, they would have difficulties with Congress. They would not be surprised if measures were taken by Congress (when it reconvenes) in January," the envoy told the National Press Club.

He said his interlocutors did not specify what form the congressional action might take, but observers said it might involve recourse to section 301 of the Trade Act targeting countries deemed to be unfair traders for retaliation.

Mr. Cho said the U.S. officials expressed "concern and displeasure" at the stand taken by the South Korean delegate at the global trade talks in Brussels which ended in failure last week.

South Korea was among countries blamed for the failure of the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) talks in Brussels because of its refusal to make concessions on farm liberalization.

Saying Seoul stil hoped for a successful outcome of the GATT talks next year, he said, "The Korean economy will be dealt a real hard blow if the world trade system degenerates into a protectionist system."

But he stressed that in liberalizing imports of farm products such as rice, the Seoul government faced "great political constraints."

"The market opening of agricultural products is resisted not only by the opposition party by also by many of the ruling party members," he added.

He said he expected the government to review the entire policy in the light of the negative U.S. reactions and to "weigh the various consequences of alternative courses of action."

Mr. Cho also commented on U.S. concern that South Korea's current austerity campaign had "the smack of an anti-import campaign."

He said if the belt-tightening drive, launched to arrest fast growing consumption, "is allowed to degenerate into an anti-import campaign, then it is highly undesirable."

Tuesday, the Commerce Department released statistics showing that the U.S. trade deficit with South Korea so far this year reached 3.69 billion dollars.

Bilateral trade talks were held in Seoul Monday and Tuesday, at which the U.S. delegation called on South Korea to open its retail market to imports of such items as electronics, clothes, cars and furniture. The Americans also pressed for an end to discrimination against foreign imports.

Mr. Cho, who arrived here Tuesday and was due to return home Thursday, said another such meeting would be held in Seoul next January to take up oustanding issues.

He also noted that South Korean industries were losing their competitive advantages due to a slowdown in labor productivity, higher wages, hours lost in labor disputes, workers' unwillingness to work longer hours and a 30-per-cent appreciation of the won against the dollar since 1980.

He said his mission here was to reaffirm Seoul's commitment to economic liberalization and to discuss ways to resolve trade disputes.

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#90353d2530 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) - President George Bush, saying Norway had made progress in reducing the numbers of whales it kills in its whale research program, has decided not to impose sanctions against Norwegian fish imports.

"Norway has made improvements in the design of its research program in each year and a reduction in the take of whales from 68 to five North Atlantic minke whales," Mr Bush said in a letter to Congress.

Although the International Whaling Commission (IWC) "is not satisfied that this program meets all applicable criteria ... given the progress made in the caliber of research undertaken and the efforts that have been made to improve U.S.-Norwegian scientific consultations, I am not directing that sanctions be imposed on Norwegian fish products," Mr. Bush said.

Under an amendment to the Fishermen's Protective Act, the president may direct a prohibition of imports of fishery products into the United States from countries engaged in the taking of whales that diminishes the effectiveness of the International Convention of the Regulation of Whaling.

Since 1988, Norwegian scientists have been engaged in a research program on North Atlantic minke whales in the coastal waters of Norway.

According to the IWC, this program in 1988 and 1990 did not meet all the internationally established criteria for research involving the killing of whales.

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NEW YORK, United Nations (DEC. 19) - The U.N. Security Council Wednesday again put off a vote on a draft resolution urging for the first time the convening of an international Middle East peace conference.

By a vote of nine in favor and six against, the council decided, for the fourth time in 10 days, to suspend its deliberations.

In addition to calling for a Middle East peace conference at an appropriate moment and with an adequate structure, the resolution would also stipulate that the Arab-Israeli conflict and Iraq's invasion of Kuwait should be dealt with separately.

France and China joined the four non-aligned sponsors of the draft -- Colombia Cuba, Malaysia and Yemen -- in opposing the suspension.

Diplomats said the final vote on the draft was delayed to await a reply from the U.S. State Department on remaining differences between Washington and the non-aligned sponsors.

Non-aligned countries feel they have made all the concessions they are going to make, and it is now the United States' turn, diplomats said.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has repeatedly sought to link a resolution of the Gulf crisis with a Western commitment to help end Israeli occupation of Arab lands. The United States adamantly opposes any such linkage.

The proposed draft also expresses the council's deep concern over the deteriorating situation in all territories occupied by Israel since 1967, including Jerusalem, and over the violence and growing tensions within Israel.

Despite major progress in haggling between Washington and the four non-aligned sponsors of the draft, Finnish U.N. Ambassador Klaus Tornudd, a key mediator, said differences remained.

A spokesman for the U.S. U.N. mission, Philip Arnold, said the remaining differences had been forwarded to the State Department in Washington.

The draft would deplore Israel's decision to resume deportations of Palestinians from the occupied territories in the wake of a wave of killings claimed by the Moslem fundamentalist group Hamas. It would also ask Israel to accept "de jure" the applicability of the Geneva Convention to the population of the territories.

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#90353d2710 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
London (DEC. 19) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated)

per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

	cash	forward
Copper	1,288.50 (1,288.50)	1,301.50 (1,301.50)
Lead	314.50 (313.00)	328.00 (326.50)
Zinc Hg	1,250.00 (1,260.00)	1,253.50 (1,259.00)
Tin	5,600.00 (5,650.50)	5,712.50 (5,757.50)
Aluminium	1,532.00 (1,536.00)	1,565.50 (1,569.00)
Nickel	8,230.00 (8,075.00)	8,202.50 (8,087.50)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90353d2810 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) - A united Nations Security Council session due Wednesday to vote on a controversial Palestinian resolution was adjourned for yet another day, but amid signs of imminent agreement.

The 15 council members are now due to meet Thursday on the issue, over which they have been wrangling for weeks - at the latest sessions with Finland trying to organise a compromise.

The council's four Nonaligned members - Cuba, Colombia, Malaysia and Yemen - have been trying to push through a resolution critical of Israel, meeting opposition above all from the United States.

Finnish U.N. delegate Klaus Toernudd said the latest compromise proposals include one for increasing protection of Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories.

They also suggested that the Security Council president make a declaration in which the idea of an international Middle East peace conference is put forward.

Toernudd said difficulties remained only on the way the conference proposal would be termed in the declaration, and also on terminology for the Gulf conflict.

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#90353d2860 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 19) - Every opportunity for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis "must be seized" before a U.N. deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait expires on January 15, French President Francois Mitterrand said Wednesday.

Mr. Mitterrand told a news conference that "all chances must be seized", and did not rule out an initiative by France "in accordance with its allies",

saying that "countless" Arab officials had asked France to mediate in the crisis.

"I allow myself to hope that by January 15, some new intervention, or declaration or event might come about that should be seized," he said, but acknowledged that the chances for peace remained "fragile" and public opinion should be prepared for war.

"Until that final date, we must hope that dialogue here and there will happen. France, acting ... in conformity with the objectives fixed by the United Nations and informing its western partners, shall not prevent itself from taking initiatives of this type," Mr. Mitterrand said.

The French head of state is to receive Algerian head of state Chadli Bendjedid on Saturday, as the Algerian leader continues mediation efforts at a time when the United States and Iraq have been unable to reach agreement on a date for talks.

Mr. Mitterrand warned that the failure to set a date reflected Iraqi "intransigence" which "risked creating an irreparable" situation.

Mr. Mitterrand suggested that a French initiative might be all the more likely given the deadlock between Iraq and the United States.

The French president, whose country was a major arms supplier to Iraq before the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, noted that his own plan first outlined at the United Nations in September remained valid.

Under his plan, if Iraq stated its willingness to free hostages and withdraw from Kuwait, "everything becomes possible", including an eventual Middle East conference.

Mr. Mitterrand stressed that only a total withdrawal from Kuwait would be acceptable to the anti-Iraq alliance, but said that if Iraq complied by January 15, Baghdad "should receive guarantees" that it would not be attacked.

"Everything can always be discussed, but by the responsible, free and sovereign authorities of the countries in question," he said.

Distancing himself from some U.S. officials who have spoken of the need to destroy the Iraqi military machine to prevent further threats to the region, Mr. Mitterrand said that the U.N. objective was to roll back the Iraqi invasion, "but not to conquer Iraq".

But he said that controlling Iraq's military muscle must "necessarily be discussed -- afterwards".

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#90353d2990 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (DEC. 19) - The Philippines communist insurgent New People's Army (NPA) has threatened to strike U.S. bases in the country if the facilities are used in an attack on Iraq, the Iraqi News Agency reported Wednesday.

An NPA delegation issued the warning during talks here with Iraq's first deputy prime minister, Taha Yassin Ramadan, the official news agency said.

The delegation was quoted as saying the NPA would act to "show its political and military solidarity with the Iraqi people."

The NPA is the armed wing of the banned Communist Party of the Philippines which has been waging a war against Manila for 21 years. It has an estimated 10,000-15,000 fighters.

The Clark Air Base and the Subic Naval Base are the largest U.S. overseas military bases.

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#90353d3040 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RIYADH (DEC. 19) - Saudi Crown Prince Abdullah ibn Abdel Aziz held talks here Wednesday with U.S. Defence Secretary Dick Cheney and General Colin Powell, chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, Saudi television reported.

General Norman Schwarzkopf, commander of U.S. forces in the Gulf, also took part in the talks, the report said without giving other details.

Mr. Cheney and Gen. Powell arrived in Riyadh earlier Thursday at the start of a five-day visit to Saudi Arabia.

A U.S. diplomatic source said the American officials were scheduled to meet later in the evening with Saudi Defense Minister Prince Sultan ibn Abdel Aziz.

Two days of their stay will be devoted to strategy talks with Gen. Schwarzkopf and two days will be spent inspecting U.S. troops deployed in northeastern Saudi Arabia, a Pentagon official said in Washington.

He said Mr. Cheney and Gen. Powell wanted to make sure the 270,000 U.S. troops in the Gulf were well-equipped in case President George Bush ordered an attack on Iraq before the January 15 deadline for withdrawing from Kuwait.

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#90353d3140 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
AJACCIO, FRANCE (DEC 19) - Lucien Tirroloni, 42, president of the Corsican chamber of agriculture was shot to death Wednesday evening by two men who fled

on a motorcycle, police said.

Mr. Tirrolini had on several occasions opposed nationalist farmers.

Emile Mocchi, the mayor of Propriano, was standing close to Mr. Tirroloni when the assassins struck and was hit in the arm by a bullet.

Mr. Tirrolini was hit by about 25 bullets as he was coming out of a bar with Mr. Mocchi in Ajaccio, southern Corsica.

This was the twelfth murder so far this year in Corsica. The last victim Charles Grosseti, mayor of Grosseto-Prugna, was murdered three months ago.

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#90353d3160 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (DEC. 19) - The 19-year prison sentences handed down to the father and son convicted of murdering ecologist Chico Mendes were "too soft," Brazil's Minister of Justice Jarbas Passarinho and Federal police chief Romeu Tuma said in interviews published Wednesday.

The daily newspaper O Globo reported both men were critical of the short sentence handed down to Darcy Alves, 23, who admitted gunning Mr. Mendes to death, and Darly Alves Pereira, 56, who was convicted of ordering his son to commit the murder.

The Justice Ministry confirmed the newspaper report reflected the minister's and police chief's views.

Mr. Passarinho was quoted by the newspaper as saying: "The verdict of 19 years would be logical if the penalty were enforced for the full period."

Police chief Tuma said the 19-year sentence meant in effect that the two killers could be moved into a semi-open detention system after three years behind bars and be freed on parole after nine years.

As the father and son killers have already spent two years in prison awaiting trial, that means they could be enjoying the less restrictive form of detention within a year from now.

Mr. Tuma added that if the conflicts between rich landowners and poor peasants were to be ended, it would be necessary for long prison sentences for those convicted and greater efforts by the authorities to track down the killers.

Meanwhile, Darcy Alves, the triggerman in the Mendes case, told television journalists that he had "acted with cowardice in killing Chico Mendes in an ambush."

If he had the opportunity again, he said, "I would kill him face to face.

His father, however, continues to insist on his own innocence in the case.

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#90353d3170 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 19) - At least 600 workers at the giant Anglo American Corporation's East Rand Gold and Uranium Company (ERGO) will lose their jobs when three operation plants are shut down early next year, ERGO chairman Clem Sunter said said Wednesday.

He said in a statement that operations at ERGO will be rationalised during the first quarter of next year and that the plants will close down by April.

According to the ERGO chairman, "every effort will be made to relocate the employees affected".

Management plans to hold discussions with the trade unions concerned "regarding possible retrenchments", Mr. Sunter added.

Wednesday's announcement follows a recently completed investigation into the ERGO division which, according to Anglo, "demonstrated that certain elements of the present operations would no longer be economically viable at ruling product prices".

"As the reduction in working costs was forecast to exceed the decline in revenue, the closures would prolong the life and substantialy enhance the profitability of ERGO at current gold price leves," Mr. Sunter said.

Arrangements had been made for existing uranium and acid supply obligations to be met, he added.

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#90353d3220 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC 19) - Furious passengers lynched and beat to death ten robbers who attacked people on a train before it pulled in to a station in northern India, Uni news agency said Wednesday.

The passengers, helped by local people, grabbed the robbers as they tried to leave the train at Sahanga station in Uttar Pradesh state, and killed them on the spot, the agency said.

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#90353d3330 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 19) - French President Francois Mitterrand Wednesday blamed the

United States for the repeated postponement of a vote on a U.N. resolution on the Arab-Israeli conflict which was to contain a call for an international conference.

At a news conference, Mr. Mitterrand reaffirmed his support for such a conference, but in reply to a question said that for the resolution to be adopted "the United States must stop" postponing the vote.

Mr. Mitterrand said that he was insisting on a Mideast conference as "an indispensable instrument to bring peoples closer together".

He said that the conference would have three objectives: stability in the Gulf the Arab-Israeli problem -- although "not necessarily in the same conditions and at the same time -- and the balance of power in the Middle East by reducing arms and setting up a security system.

The U.N. Security Council Wednesday for the fourth time put off the vote on the draft resolution. France and China joined the four non-aligned sponsors of the draft -- Colombia, Cuba, Malaysia and Yemen -- in opposing the suspension.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has repeatedly sought to link a settlement of the Gulf crisis with a Western commitment to help end Israeli occupation of Arab lands. The United States adamantly opposes any such linkage.

Diplomats in New York said the 15 council members were moving toward agreement on a compromise formula put forward by Finland under which the call for an international Middle East peace conference would be made in the form of a declaration by the Security Council president and not in a formal resolution.

Unlike a council resolution, such a declaration would not be binding on U.N. members.

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#90353d3400 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 19) - Philippe Guilhaume, the president of France's two crisis-hit public channels Antenne-2 and FR3, announced his resignation Wednesday and accused the ruling Socialists of seeking his downfall.

He will be replaced by Herve Bourges, 57, who was president of the TF1 channel from 1983 to 1987, when it was publicly owned.

Mr. Guilhaume told a news conference that his appointment had "never been accepted by part of the political powers which for 15 months have strewn obstacles in my path, some which are mentionable and others unmentionable".

The Antenne-2 deficit has sunk to more than 600 million francs (more than 120 million dollars) since Mr. Guilhaume took over as "super-president" last year

as the TF1 channel, privatized in 1987, notched up increasing success with French viewers.

France has four private channels and two public stations.

Mr. Guilhaume announced his resignation after Antenne-2 decision to scrap a number of high-profile magazine and variety programmes for financial reasons brought a public outcry last week.

One of the programmes had been on the air for about a month, an apparent victim of a ratings war with TF1.

His resignation also coincides with a strike by news journalists at FR3 seeking better pay and conditions, now into its third week.

Communications Minister Catherine Tasca said on Wednesday that it was "not possible to keep the contradictions that Mr. Guilhaume does by saying that everything is fine in a company where most of the staff say they have got problems."

The crisis in television's public sector was highlighted on Monday when Frederic Mitterrand -- a nephew of French President Francois Mitterrand -- was awarded a prize for his variety programme which was among those to be scrapped.

Mr. Mitterrand held up his award and told television viewers that he was "placing it on the floor -- where the public service belongs".

Mr. Guilhaume was last month implicated in a scandal after a suspended police officer said that his superiors had asked him to find a young homosexual to trap the television boss in order to force his resignation.

Mr. Guilhaume has said he will sue.

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#90353d3630 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAVANA (DEC. 19) - The Cuban Foreign Ministry said Wednesday it had yet to be officially notified of Czechoslovakia's decision to cease representing Cuban interests in the United States next March.

Czechoslovakia's Foreign Ministry, quoted by the government news agency CTK, announced on Tuesday that Prague, which has hosted a Cuban interests section in its embassy in Washington since 1977, will cease doing so by March 31 at the latest.

Sources close to the Cuban Foreig Ministry, however, said the announcement by Czechoslovakia through a news agency rather than through normal diplomatic channels was "unusual."

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#90353d3650 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 19) - The terrorist Carlos, presumed to be responsible for a wave of pro-Palestinian terrorist attacks in Europe in the 1970s, is living in the Syrian capital Damascus, according to L'Express magazine.

Carlos, whose real name is Ilitch Ramirez Sanchez, holds a Syrian passport issued in the name of Michel Assaf, the French weekly said in its editions to appear Thursday.

He is married to Magdalena Kopp, a former activist of the German Red Army Faction. They have a six-year old daughter, Evita, and live in a four-storey building in the chic quarter of Mazze, a Damascus suburb, L'Express said.

Sources close to the French anti-terrorist services said that Carlos' presence in Damascus was "highly likely."

L'Express said Carlos was being supported by Colonel Haytham Said, the "number two" of the Syrian air force's information service.

Carlos is wanted by police in France for the 1975 murder of two counter-espionnage agents.

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#90353d3700 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) - Illicit drug use has dropped 44 per cent in the United States over the last five years, a report presented by U.S. President George Bush here Wednesday shows.

A national household survey showed 12.9 million Americans currently take drugs. Pollsters asked 10,000 persons if they had taken drugs in the last month.

The total amounts to 6.4 per cent of the U.S. population, down from 7.3 per cent two years ago.

Bush said the study showed his strategy against drugs was paying off, but added: ''As long as there are hospital rooms filled with drug-affected babies, neighbourhoods ravaged by drug violence or children threatened by addiction, a declaration of victory would be premature.''

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#90353d3710 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SAN SALVADOR (DEC. 19) - Salvadoran rebels Wednesday rejected as "absurd and

biased" a ceasefire call made by the five Central American presidents.

In a communique capping a summit in Puntarenas, on Costa Rica's Pacific coast, the presidents of Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua voiced support for Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani and called on the rebel Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) to agree to an immediate ceasefire and abandon the armed struggle.

In a statement issued 48 hours after the summit ended, the FMLN categorically rejected the presidents' statement because it "makes assumptions that do not correspond to reality in El Salvador."

The rebel statement, which was signed by the five members of the FMLN general staff, also said the call "lacks the most minimal objectivity, is unjust and hides and appeases the criminal policies of the army, by making unilateral demands" on the rebels.

The FMLN also pledged to continue U.N.-sponsored peace talks between the government and rebels.

To pressure the government to continue the stalled talks, the rebels launched an offensive November 20. Since then, the FMLN has inflicted 1,127 casualties on government forces, according to rebel figures. No breakdown of dead or wounded was given.

The rebels reported 37 deaths in their ranks.

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#90353d3740 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 19) - France's first minister of state for city development was appointed Wednesday, with the task of dealing with crime and other problems in big-city slum areas and suburbs.

First holder of the office is Michel Delebarre, whose job as transport minister is being taken over by his deputy Louis Besson.

Creation of the post was announced at the beginning of the month by President Francois Mitterrand following a steady increase in crime and violence, particularly among the young.

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#90353d3810 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) - The State Department Wednesday warned Libya against supporting the Palestine Liberation Front (PLF), a extremist group which has threatened to launch terrorist attacks in case of a U.S. attack on Iraq.

"Libya has been on the U.S. Government's list of state sponsors of terrorism since 1979," State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said. "We continue to hold terrorists and their state sponsor responsible for acts of terrorism."

The PLF is headed by Abul Abbas, who has been linked with the 1985 hijacking of the Italian liner Achille Lauro in which a U.S. passenger was killed.

"Libya continues to offer extensive support to notorious international terrorist groups, such as the Abu Nidal organization," Mr. Boucher said.

He also linked Libya with an abortive PLF attack on public beaches near Tel Aviv last May, which, he said, had been launched from Libyan soil.

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#90353d3940 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 19) - Rafik Nichanov, president of one of the two chambers of the Supreme Soviet, said here Wednesday that it would "take time" for a new union treaty to be signed and denied that the Baltic republics were being coerced into signing the document.

The Council of Nationalities president said the first stage in the procedure for signing the treaty, gathering positions from officials from the republics, was already underway.

The union treaty would lay the framework for the future relationship between the 15 Soviet republics and central government.

The officials would then prepare and initial a draft treaty which would then be examined by the Supreme Soviets, or parliaments, of all the republics, Mr. Nichanov said. Once the draft was approved each republic would put together a "special delegation" to sign the treaty.

"After that, the treaty would become legal," Mr. Nichanov said stressing that other procedures were also possible.

In a speech to the Congress of People's Deputies, Mr. Nichanov said that the speeches made on Tuesday by the Latvian and Estonian leaders Arnold Ruutel and Anatolijs Gorbunovs in which they denounced central government pressure on them to sign the treaty were "totally unfounded."

He also said it was not very important that the Baltic delegations had not attended the first debate on the treaty. "They refused. And so? They refused and didn't come," he said to laughter from the other delegations.

Mr. Nichanov said that representatives of "political parties or social organizations" who had asked to attend the debates had been invited. "We could not ignore the opinion of three million people," he said, referring to the

Russian-speakers of the three Baltic republics.

The Ukrainian president Leonid Kravchuk said meanwhile that the treaty in its present form was not in the best interests of his republic. He said his government would put it to a referendum.

"The parliament cannot take this responsibility, we think the people should decide through a referendum," he said.

Mr. Kravchuk added that there was "no question of going back" on the Ukraine's declaration of independence.

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#90353d4280 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) - The State Department denied reports Wednesday that it had reduced its anti-drug operations in Peru after members of Peru's armed forces interfered with a planned drug bust.

"We are continuing interdiction and eradication programs but at reduced levels due to the holiday season," department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

Peru's Prime Minister Juan Carlos Hurtado Miller, who is currently in Washington, said he was not up to date on the details of the decision. He also reiterated Peru's determination to work with Washington to fight the illegal cocaine trade.

"Whatever misunderstanding there is could quickly be resolved, because relations between the two governments are very good and the differences are only of focus," the minister said.

The Washington Post reported Wednesday that Robert C. Bonner, head of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), temporarily suspended operations in Peru because of an incident in which Peruvian soldiers prevented a joint force of U.S. military and Peruvian police from entering a warehouse until the coca paste was removed.

Peru grows some 50 percent of the world's coca plants, the raw material from which cocaine is made.

High U.S. officials told the newspaper that is was considering de-certifying Peru as a nation which is co-operating in the anti-drug fight. The move would make Peru ineligible for U.S. aide.

Mr. Boucher said the State Deparment was reviewing military, economic and law enforcement aide for Peru for the 1991 fiscal year.

The spokesman noted that Washington and Peru had signed a five-million dollar

interim agreement with the Ministry of Interior, but did not mention a 35 million in military aid to be used in the anti-drug fight rejected by President Alberto Fujimori.

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#90353d4580 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) - The United States Wednesday said it has seen no overtures for a last chance talk with Iraq, 27 days before the United Nation's mandated January 15 deadline for Iraq to pull out of Kuwait.

Senator Daniel Inouye, a Hawaii Democrat, meanwhile said that if war broke out in the Gulf, the United States could gain superiority within hours and the fighting would last no more than five days.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the United States remained ready to talk with Baghdad in order to persuade Iraq that it has no choice but to withdraw from Kuwait by January 15, or face the possible use of force.

President George Bush on November 30 offered to meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz and to send Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad. But the two countries have not been able to agree on a date for the Baker trip to Baghdad, and the Aziz meeting with Mr. Bush, scheduled for last Monday, was postponed.

"The offer of talks (is) still open," Mr. Fitzwater said.

But he added that Baghdad did not appear to be "really interested" in complying with the U.N. resolution, as demonstrated, he said, by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's statement to a Turkish television station that talks with Washington would be useless.

Mr. Fitzwater said there has been no response to Mr. Bush's invitation for Mr. Baker to meet with Mr. Hussein between December 20 and January 3.

Washington has rejected Baghdad's proposed January 12 date for a meeting, arguing it would not allow time for Iraq to withdraw its troops from Kuwait by the U.N.-imposed January 15 deadline.

"We don't want him to be able to manipulate it," Mr. Fitzwater said.

Asked what Washington would do if January 3 passes and there have been no talks, he said, "We have to wait and see."

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#90353d4640 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) - Kuwaitis have paid a public relations firm 5.64

million dollars since the August 2 Iraqi invasion of their country to keep their plight in the public eye, Justice Department records reveal.

Hill and Knowlton Inc. received payments totalling that amount for the period August 20 through November 10, according to records filed by the company with the registration office for foreign agents.

The public relations company so far has spent 2.7 million dollars of the 5.64 million, including some 644,571 dollars for video production and 140,412 dollars for travel.

The Kuwaiti account is "a big job on a big stage ... the assignment is to be effective," said Frank Mankiewicz, a senior Hill and Knowlton executive.

The records indicated that Citizens for a Free Kuwait, a group financed largely by that country's exiled government, contracted the public relations firm to "provide counsel on a national media program, strategic planning and message development."

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#90353d4720 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 20) - The Independent newspaper said Thursday that European Environment Commissioner Carlo Ripa di Meana has drawn up confidential proposals to introduce a carbon tax in the period immediately after the end of the Gulf crisis.

A report from the commissioner, obtained by the paper, advocates the tax as part of an EC strategy to combat global warming and encourage energy conservation, The Independent said.

EC states could use the revenue from the proposed tax for research on energy efficiency, the development of renewable energy sources, clean energy technology and non-environmentally harmful modes of transport, it added.

The document, prepared at the environment commissioner's behest, envisages a phased introduction over five years of a tax of 10 dollars a barrel of oil - half the price rise of the last ten years, The Independent reported.

It also suggests that a fall in petrol prices after the Gulf confrontation would open a "unique window of opportunity" to introduce taxes, the paper went on.

An unnamed source said that Mr. Ripa di Meana intends to hold the carbon tax proposal in reserve for further refinement, while efforts are made to secure fellow commissioners' support, The Independent stated.

An abridged version of the environment commission document is to be discussed

by European environment ministers at a meeting in Brussels on Thursday.

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#90353d4860 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CARACAS (DEC. 19) - Venezuela has slashed its foreign debt almost in half by finalizing a debt restructuring agreement with its more than 400 creditor banks, Planning Minister Miguel Rodriguez said Wednesday.

"The debt-restructuring agreement -- signed late Tuesday in New York -- involves some 20 billion dollars: 80 per cent of Venezuela's public debt," he said.

Venezuela's private and public debt is estimated at 30 billion dollars.

"The government is pleased to announce that the process has been completed. Negotiations are over... and this is the definitive restructuring agreement," Mr. Rodriguez said.

From now on, he said, "Venezuela's yearly payments on its public debt will amount to 1.2 or 1.3 billion dollars, instead of the previous three billion dollars."

The debt restructuring agreement establishes new repayment schemes for 19.7 billion dollars of Venezuelan debt:

The principal on 1.8 billion dollars will be reduced by 30 per cent; interest on 7.45 billion dollars has been fixed at 6.75 per cent; interest on another three billion dollars starts off at five per cent, then goes up to seven per cent and will finally be set according to market rates.

Creditor banks holding more than six billion dollars of Venezuela's public debt have elected to supply Caracas with 1.2 billion dollars in soft loans, half of which was expected to be disbursed Wednesday.

Another 1.5 billion dollars will be repurchased by Venezuela on the secondary market with help from the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

Analysts expect Venezuela will save some three billion dollars in the next few years to buy back part of its foreign debt on the secondary market, where at present it has grown in value because of the restructuring agreement.

"We're not interested in repurchasing a debt which is already valued at 70 cents to the dollar, against 35 cents to the dollar a year ago," Mr. Rodriguez said.

The restructuring agreement effectively reduces Venezuela's public debt capital by 20 per cent, but coupled with the purchase of zero-cupon bonds from

the U.S. Treasury, which eliminates nine billion dollars in red numbers, the country's foreign debt has been slashed "practically in half," the minister said.

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#90353d4910 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PASADENA, California (DEC. 19) - It's official: the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) announced Wednesday that there were strong indications of life on Earth -- and it may be intelligent.

NASA scientists with the Jet Propulsion Laboratory here analyzed data on the Earth collected by the space probe Galileo using the same framework normally employed to determine if intelligent life existed on unexplored planets.

Galileo's data revealed nitrous oxide, methane and oxygen.

That, scientist Robert W. Carlson said in a press conference, reveals "there's a lot of life" on the planet.

The probe gathered the information as it boomeranged around the Earth and moon in early December to gather up speed for a July 1995 encounter with Jupiter. It swings past the asteroid Gaspa in October.

Galileo also detected man-made radio signals that became louder as it neared the planet, a sign to researchers on other planets that intelligent life exists on Earth, Galileo's chief scientist Torrence Johnson said.

The probe could not detect some evidence of intelligent life -- such as buildings -- because it was some 10,000 kilometers (6,200 miles) away from Earth.

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#90353d9090 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Colombo (DEC. 19) - Government troops killed 25 Tamil rebels of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (Ltte) when they smashed a rebel hideout in northern Sri Lanka Wednesday, military officials said.

Fifteen women were among the rebels killed in the attack between Kurumbasetti and Mallakam, 12 kilometres north of the northern capital Jaffna, they added.

Army commandos who launched the surprise dawn raid on the hideout also recovered sub machine guns, rocket-propelled grenades, Ak 47 rifles and mortar shells, officials said.

Four soldiers were injured in the attack on Tamil rebels fighting in the north and east of the country for an independent homeland for the minority Tamils.

In a related development, Sri Lankan Air Force planes attacked five boats in the north eastern coastal area of Mullaitivu Tuesday. The boats, believed to belong to the rebels, were unloading supplies, military officials said. No casualty figures were available.

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#90353d9140 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HALIFAX, Canada, (DEC. 19) - Eleven fishermen died and five survived when two Canadian fishing boats sank off the eastern coast of Canada, the rescue coordination center in Halifax reported Tuesday.

The dragger Nadine, out of Cap-aux-Meules, on the Canadian Iles-de-la-Madeleine, went down Monday in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Eight crewmembers died and only four bodies have been recovered, the center said.

Rescuers, however, picked up Nadine skipper Robert Poirier from a life raft, and his brother, found floating in a survival suit. Both were taken to hospital suffering from hypothermia.

Center official Pat Phelan said there was no hope of finding any more survivors from the Nadine.

Some of the dead crewmembers, he added, had managed to put on survival suits - an insulated rubber suit enclosing everything but the face - but they apparently failed to seal themselves in properly.

The second fishing boat, Strait's Pride from O'Donnell, in Newfoundland, also went down Monday some 50 kilometers (30 miles) from the coast, the rescue center said.

Three of the Strait's Pride crew managed to get into a lifeboat and were spotted from the air, but the remaining three seamen were found dead in the icy water wearing only life jackets, center officials added.

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#90353d9180 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND (DEC. 19) - A New Zealand high court judge on gave the go ahead on Wednesday for surgeons to sterilise a severely mentally handicapped teenager.

The girl, known only as "X" in the precedent-setting court case, turned 15 on Wednesday.

Justice Peter Hillyer, after nearly two weeks of hearing evidence, said a hysterectomy could be performed "forthwith".

The Auckland Area Health Board had refused to carry out the operation and her parents applied to the court for consent.

The girl has a mental age of three months and the parents wanted the hysterectomy before her first menstrual period, saying that pain from menstruation would trigger fits of screaming and self-injury.

The judge said it was important that the operation was desired solely to stop menstruation, though it was also "absolutely vital" the girl should not become pregnant.

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#90353d9220 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (DEC. 19) - France's Thomson-CSF group has teamed up with a Singapore company to make military fuzes for international markets, it was learnt Wednesday.

A spokesman for Allied Ordnance of S'pore Pte Ltd (AOS) said the four million Singapore dollar (2.3 million U.S.) joint venture, Defence Electronics of Singapore (DES), was set up in August and will start production next month.

Initially DES will produce proximity fuzes, used to enhance the effectiveness of anti-aircraft and anti-missile rounds, he said.

DES is 51 per cent owned by Thomson-CSF and the remainder by AOS, a subsidiary of Chartered Industries which is part of the government-owned Singapore Technologies group.

Thomson-CSF, quoted by the Straits Times, said it was attracted to the joint venture because of the "skilled local workforce which can handle military technology."

"Furthermore, Singapore is in a good position to market the manufactured products in ASEAN," the paper quoted Thomson-CSF spokesman Pierre de la Chapelle as saying.

The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) groups Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

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#90353d9260 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (DEC. 19) - Indonesia awarded three new oil exploration contracts worth 164 million dollars on Wednesday to companies from Britain, New Zealand and the United States, the state oil firm Pertamina said.

The first went to a local subsidiary of New Zealand's Petrocorp Exploration Ltd. to search for oil in onshore Kampar block in West Sumatra, with an investment commitment of 88.3 million dollars.

The second was awarded to the Indonesian subsidiary of Britain's Ultramar plc in the onshore Runtu block in East Kalimantan with a total investment of 60.8 million dollars.

A consortium led by Maxus International Energy Co. of the United States got the third contract to explore in the Fifi and Zaitun blocks in the Java Sea, with an investment commitment of 15.2 million dollars.

The contracts with Ultramar and Petrocorp were for production sharing, whereby any oil found would be split 85:15 in Pertamina's favour after the contractor's costs were covered.

The contract with Maxus was for a joint operation arrangement whereby Pertamina would have the right to half of the oil produced, with the remaining half split 85:15, also in its favour.

The three deals brought the number of new and extension contracts awarded by Pertamina to 17 this year, compared to 19 last year.

Pertamina officials said the company had completed negotiations for four more contracts but was still awaiting government approval.

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#90353d9290 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 19) - The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a 120 million dollar loan for the Industrial Credit and Investment Corp. of India Ltd. (ICICI), an ADB statement said here Wednesday.

The loan will be used by ICICI for relending to medium-scale industries. It will be repayable in 15 years with a grace period of three years and carry a variable, pool-based interest rate.

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#90353d9300 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Warsaw (DEC. 19) - Thirty-four Polish miners were recovering in hospital on Wednesday after a methane gas explosion that left four of their colleagues dead.

Twenty-six of the injured men suffered burns in the underground blast, which occurred Tuesday evening at the Slask mine near the town of Bytom in Upper Silesia.

An investigation was underway to discover what caused the blast, Polish radio said.

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#90353d9330 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WELLINGTON (DEC. 19) - New Zealand is reviewing a contract to buy 18 Italian-built Aermacchi jet trainers, as part of a cutback in defence spending, Defence Minister Warren Cooper said in a statement Wednesday.

In a wider economic statement Wednesday Finance Minister Ruth Richardson said the defence budget would be cut by an immediate 197 million New Zealand dollars (118 million dollars U.S).

The defence minister also said the upgrading of the army's Scorpion tracked reconnaissance vehicles, generators and navy computers would be deferred as would expenditure on minor equipment programmes.

The review of the Aermacchi trainer aircraft project would be conducted by the Treasury, the Defence Ministry and the New Zealand Defence Force, he said.

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#90353d9350 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 19) - A total of 177 Albanians have gone on trial, charged with several public order offences, in connection with disturbances in a number of provincial towns in Albania last week according to reports quoting the Albanian radio.

A radio report, carried by the Yugoslavian Tanjug news agency and monitored by the BBC here, said that they had been charged with "acts against property, lives and health, improper conduct, attacks on the organs of authority, taking part in illegal rallies" and other offences.

Radio Tirana said that they admitted responsibility, repented and agreed they "should have acted through dialogue, as defined by Albanian law".

The radio said that the accused were represented by lawyers, and were guaranteed the right of appeal.

Of the accused, 62 were on trial in Durres, 55 in Elbasan, and 60 in Shkoder, Tanjug reported.

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#90353d9360 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAKARTA (DEC. 19) - Oil prices will not crash in the aftermath of the Gulf crisis if the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) remains

united and sticks to its output ceiling, an Indonesian minister said Wednesday.

Mines and Energy Minister Ginanjar Kartasasmita said that if OPEC returned to its production limit of 22.5 million barrels per day (BPD) when the Gulf crisis was over, prices would not plunge as many feared.

The group's 13 members, including representatives from Iraq and the Kuwaiti government in exile, agreed at a meeting in Vienna last week to return to OPEC's previous ceiling, set in July, the moment the crisis ended.

Indonesia would return to its previous quota of 1.37 million BPD once the Gulf crisis was resolved, the Indonesian minister added.

He also said the price of Indonesia's benchmark Minas crude had been set at 29.01 dollars a barrel for December sales to Japan.

This compared with 33.18 dollars in November under an agreed formula basing the price on an average of five Asian crudes.

Japan is Indonesia's main oil customer, taking more than half of its exports of around 700,000 BPD.

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#90353d9380 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUSAKA (DEC. 19) - The death toll in a cholera epidemic sweeping the north of Zambia has claimed 104 lives since the end of October, Health Minister Jeremiah Chijikwa told parliament.

The minister, whose remarks were reported in the Zambia Daily Mail on Wednesday, said the disease had spread southwards to the Copperbelt provinces in Central Zambia.

The newspaper said there were fears that the outbreak could reach the area around the capital of Lusaka, where 100 persons died in a similar outbreak earlier this year.

The United Nations Children's Fund (Unicef) and the World Health Organisation (Who) have donated drugs to fight cholera, a water-borne disease that is characterised by diarrhoea and dehydration.

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#90353d9400 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 19) - Irate French fishermen dumped a ton of herring in front of a European Community building here Wednesday in protest at new catch quotas.

Police and firemen spent more than an hour removing the fish but were unable

to clear the strong smell outside the building by the time the community's 12 fishery ministers arrived for their meeting

The E.C. Commission wants to see drastic cuts in the size of catches in response to dwindling fish stocks in the North Sea and other European waters.

Around 30 fishermen from Boulougne on the French Channel coast had travelled to Brussels to stage the protest.

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#90353d9410 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SHANGHAI (DEC. 19) - The Shanghai Securities Exchange (SSE) was officially opened here Wednesday, launching China on its first attempt at a Western-style bourse.

Mayor Zhu Rongji said in an opening address that he firmly believed the SSE would contribute to the development of China, where securities are seen as a way to tap into massive personal bank savings to fund industrial growth.

He said the exchange showed that China "will insist on the policy of reform and opening to the outside world," a policy which has slowed over the last two years due to economic and social instability.

Only seven stocks, as well as a wide variety of bonds, will be listed on the SSE initially, but officials expect the number of stocks to grow with time.

Twenty-two member computerized brokerages will be able to buy and sell stocks and bonds in volume on behalf of clients.

Foreigners will not be allowed to trade for the time being. But a central bank official said here Monday that Chinese authorities were exploring ways of letting the French bank, Banque Indosuez, take part in the SSE.

Shanghai authorities have yet to define a range for the new exchange, but in over-the-counter trading price rises have been limited to three per cent daily, according to investors.

The SSE is expected to raise capital to turn Shanghai's Pudong district into a regional industrial and financial hub, a centrally approved project that is now at the top of Chinese development plans.

Since the mid-1980s, individual Chinese have been able to trade in select groups of stocks and bonds at dozens of brokerage counters in Shanghai, Beijing, Shenyang and other cities.

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#90353d9430 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (DEC. 19) - Israeli police have arrested an air force colonel and an engineer suspected of involvement in a major corruption scandal, police sources said Wednesday.

The scandal broke on October 28 with the apprehension of General Rami Dotan, the air force procurement chief. Gen. Dotan allegedly offered and received bribes and misappropriated funds totalling more than 10 million dollars and is accused of falsifying documents.

The general is the first serving high-ranking Israeli officer to face such accusations.

The earlier disclosures led to the arrest Tuesday of Col. Yitzhak Sar, the procurement director and co-conspirator with Gen. Dotan, and a civil engineer working with them, the police said.

A score of air force officers and civilians will be questioned in the coming days, the sources added.

Gen. Dotan has meanwhile admitted hiring an air force non-commissioned officer to murder Ofer Pail, an Israeli businessman who informed the Defense Ministry of the general's operations in spring 1989.

The killing was not carried out, the sources said.

The Israeli press reported Wednesday that Gen. Dotan made bogus orders and signed phony contracts - notably with American air defense contractors - for engine repairs, although the work was actually done in Israel.

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#90353d9450 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HONG KONG (DEC. 19) - There has been a sharp fall in the number of Vietnamese boat people volunteering to go home, an official of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) here said Wednesday.

As a result, the UNHCR has cancelled plans to send back to Vietnam this month boat people who had volunteered to go and a number who had not volunteered but do not object to being repatriated.

"We have a serious drop in the number of applications for the voluntary repatriation programme and the number of people identified in the second catergory," Robert Van Leeuwen, head of the UNHCR mission here, said.

He attributed the drop to a pending legal challenge to the colony's controversial screening policy introduced in mid-1988 to separate genuine political refugees from economic migrants. The UNHCR has opposed the screening

policy since the start.

Mr. Van Leeuwen said many boat people had taken a wait-and-see attitude as a result, and warned of possible serious consequences to the Vietnamese boat people. "The government concerned will review the situation and possibly identify other measures," he said.

Hong Kong conducted, for the first and only time, forced repatriation on December 12, 1989 when 51 Vietnamese were escorted on to a Hanoi-bound plane at the end of a secret pre-dawn operation which triggered an international furore.

Mr. Van Leeuwen said that in recent months, only an average of 150 applications a week from volunteers had been received in Whitehead Detention Centre, the British colony's largest refugee camp.

Hong Kong is home to some 53,000 Vietnamese boat people, most of whom do not have refugee status qualifying them for resettlement in a third country.

Since the voluntary repatriation agreement came into effect in March 1989, a total of 5,829 Vietnamese boat people have been flown home by the UNHCR.

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#90353d9460 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 19) - The Japanese government has extended a 28.2 billion-yen (214.3 million dollar) loan for a Philippine earthquake relief and rehabilitation program, the Tokyo mission here said.

A powerful earthquake, measuring 7.7 on the open-ended Richter scale, struck the northern Philippines in July, leaving 2,300 people dead or missing, more than 100,000 others homeless, and the northern mountain resort city of Baguio in ruins.

The loan will be used to finance the importation of equipment necessary for relief and rehabilitation efforts and is repayable in 30 years with an interest rate of 2.7 per cent, a Japanese embassy statement said.

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#90353d9480 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MELBOURNE (DEC. 19) - As the recession bites throughout Australia, an automobile union warned Wednesday that another 1,000 Ford Motor Co. employees face redundancy in the New Year.

Vehicle Builders Union Victoria state secretary Ian Jones said his union would be doing everythig possible to ensure redundances did not occur -- "but sometimes there's nothing you can do."

He said the company had given a commitment that there would be no job losses before Christmas but indicated that the situation would be reviewed in the New Year.

Ford had since told his union it had 1,000 more blue-collar workers than were needed, Mr. Jones said.

The company announced earlier this month that it is to pay off 650 white-collar workers as part of a restructuring program.

Faced by the threat of disruption from white-collar unions it agreed to an improved redundancy package to cover the 650 workers.

Ford public affairs general manager Mike Jarvis confirmed negotiations would begin with unions on January 22 but refused to confirm the figure of 1,000 possible redundancies.

The automobile industry has been hit badly by the slump in recent months.

Meanwhile, a new forecast Wednesday suggested Australia faces a long, slow climb out of recession over the next 18 months.

Projections by the respected Melbourne University Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research showed the economy picking up early next year to for modest growth in the current financial year.

But they indicated only a slight pickup the following year and only negligible improvement in the job market with unemployment, which reached 8.2 per cent in November, still above eight per cent in June 1992.

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#90353d9490 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (DEC. 19) - Prices in Singapore rose 3.5 per cent in November compared with the same month last year, official figures showed.

Department of Statistics figures released late Tuesday said transport and communication costs increased 12 per cent while housing rose 5.4 per cent.

The consumer price index was unchanged from October, the department added.

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#90353d9550 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 19) - The situation in the country has reached such a critical turn that "the slightest wrong step will trigger a social explosion," Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov told deputies at congress Wednesday.

"The country now needs order," he said, warning that "destructive forces" were out to bring capitalism in through the backdoor.

"Under the flag of market reform, a political struggle has got underway and our left-wing radicals who pretend to fight for economic objectives are in fact ideologues and politicians," he said.

"Perestroika in 1985 aimed to renew socialism and help it overcome its deformations (...) but some forces had a different objective and aimed to change the social character of the country," he said.

Presenting the government's report on its activities, Mr. Ryzhkov acknowledged that "perestroika had destroyed structures within the country and within the communist party, but had built nothing in its place".

Even the introduction of an executive presidency last March "had changed nothing in this respect" but had further weakened executive powers, he said.

One should differentiate however "between (President Mikhail) Gorbachev's doctrine and the faults committed in implementing it, the prime minister added.

Mr. Ryzhkov, who is expected to step down as soon as congress approves a reform of executive federal powers, said he was opposed to a "choc economic therapy", but added that congress should take a number of measures to overcome the present crisis.

These should include a moratorium on strikes, suspension of unilateral economic decisions by some republics and repeal of moves to close a number of plants for ecological reasons.

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#90353d9570 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) - The State Department has cleared the way for American Telephone and Telegraph Co. (AT and T) to use Soviet communications satellites to open 100 new phone lines between the United States and Soviet Union, The Washington Post said Wednesday.

The deal would be the first permanent link between a U.S. long-distance company and the Soviet Intersputnik satellite system, the paper said.

The department earlier had opposed the plan, saying it would improperly divert business from Intelsat, the 119-nation consortium that handles most of the world's international satellite communications.

The Post said the department had dropped its opposition, citing a recent decision by Intelsat that satellites carrying 100 phone lines or fewer would be too small to pose an economic threat.

The Soviet Union has 130 satellite lines available for all long-distance companies through Intelsat, even though it is not a member.

But Moscow had proposed using its own satellite system for new lines so as to reduce the foreign exchange it would have to pay, the paper said.

State Department opposition had been seen as the only serious obstacle to approval of the link by the Federal Communications Commission.

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#90353d9640 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 19) - The European Community (E.C.) has earmarked 730 million European Currency Units (960 million dollars) in credits to Yugoslavia for the next five years, diplomats said here Wednesday.

They said the biggest portion of the aid, about 80 per cent of the total, will go towards helping Yugoslavia to improve its transportation network.

The money will be loaned through the European Investment Bank Eib. The E.C. will also provide a grant of more than 100 million dollars to help Yugoslavia cope with the interest payments on the loans.

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#90353d9680 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (DEC. 19) - Shares in Adelaide Steamship (Adsteam) fell to an all time low of 16 cents (12 U.S.) Wednesday on rumours that the nation's third largest employer was to be put into receivership.

The share plunge from 6.60 dollars (5.07 U.S.) earlier in the year prompted the company to declare that it "had not been placed into receivership or liquidation and did not expect to be."

Adsteam Chief Executive John Spalvins said after the annual general meeting of subsidiary retailer David Jones, that its bankers supported the group's reconstruction plans.

"We have the Australian bankers' support and expect our reconstruction plan and asset divestment plan will be accepted by all bankers."

Shares in the group, which closed at 20 cents (15 U.S.) Tuesday, have plunged due to what brokers say are investor fears about the company's estimated debt of more than six billion dollars (4.6 billion U.S.).

When asked about the fall in the group's share prices, Mr. Spalvins said it was "a question of market fears."

To help restore investor confidence Adsteam said in November it would slash its debt by three billion dollars (2.3 billion U.S.) and focus on retailing.

The firm then announced a restructuring that would involve the formation of a new holding company -- Adsteam Group -- by merging publicly listed Adsteam,

David Jones, Tooth and Co. breweries, and their jointly-owned investment company, Industrial Equity.

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#90353d9720 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 19) - Factories that are both inefficient and heavily polluting will be shut down under a decision by China's State Council, the official China Daily reported Wednesday.

The State Council, or cabinet, made the decision Tuesday. It urged local governments as well as state enterprises to strictly implement China's law on environmental protection.

Under the decision, factories which have poor results and which cause serious pollution should temporarily stop production and take corrective measures.

A more drastic fate awaits small rural enterprises such as paper mills, chemical works, printing and dyeing mills and sulphur plants which consume large amounts of energy and discharge levels of pollution much higher than state-set limits.

They will be closed down, merged with other plants or switched to other fields of production.

New projects should take into account environmental protection and consider using new energy-efficient technology, the governmental directive said.

The absence of environmental protection measures during several decades of industrialization spawned severe pollution problems in China, with 65 per cent of the 1.13 billion Chinese lacking drinkable water and most city-dwellers choking on smog.

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#90353d9740 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (DEC. 19) - Khmer Rouge guerrilla forces have captured a strategic town that could give them control over a provincial seat in northwestern Cambodia, the resistance faction's radio said Wednesday.

The clandestine radio said in a report monitored here that possession of Tonle

Sar paved the way to Samrong, the capital of Odder Meanchey province, some 320 kilometers (200 miles) northwest of Phnom Penh.

Some 17 government troops were killed and 22 others wounded when Khmer Rouge forces attacked the town on Monday, and 37 others defected to the resistance, the radio said.

The radio said the Khmer Rouge had isolated Samrong since early this month by cutting Route 68 which leads to the provincial seat.

The strategic route had been under attack since February, the radio added.

The report could not be confirmed. Khmer Rouge battle claims are considered exaggerated but based on fact.

The Khmer Rouge is the military backbone of the Cambodian resistance coalition fighting the government that Vietnam installed in Phnom Penh in 1979 after invading Cambodia.

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#90353d9750 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (DEC. 19) - A foreign affairs department official has been detained by police in connection with an October 3 bomb blast at U.S. Ambassador Wiliam Swing's residence here, a departmental spokeswoman confirmed Wednesday.

No-one was injured in the late night blast which occured in the early hours of the morning when Mr. Swing was at home. The blast caused considerable damage to the property in a select Pretoria suburb.

The detained official, P.J. Kruger, had been working at the department of foreign affairs since August and has connections with the white right-wing, the influential Financial Mail reported Wednesday.

Spokeswoman Kim Smith confirmed on Wednesday that Mr. Kruger had been detained by police but said the department could not comment on the matter because "the law must take its course".

Right-wing extremists also attacked the British Embassy here in January when they fired shots at the building.

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#90353d9780 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 19) - The Philippine economy, whose growth is expected to slow down to about 3.2 per cent this year, is forecast to grow by 1.5 to three per cent in 1991 and by 3.2 to 4.2 per cent in 1992, economic officials said Wednesday.

The consolidated public sector deficit in turn is expected to hit 59.8 billion pesos (2.13 billion dollars) this year but is expected to drop to 38 to 45 billion pesos (1.36 to 1.6 billion dollars) in 1991.

Economic Planning Secretary Cayetano Paderanga said that "the years ahead will be more difficult," due to such setbacks as the drought earlier this year, a devastating earthquake in July, a series of powerful typhoons and the Gulf crisis.

However, he said that if an economic stabilization program designed to shrink the budget is put into effect, "we are confident we can turn the economy around."

This program includes new taxes, slashing the budget, tariff liberalization and an enhanced foreign investment climate.

"The government has prepared for a harsher economic environment in 1991," Finance Undersecretary Victor Macalincag said, adding that the shrinking of the deficit was the main priority.

The shrinking of the deficit is considered a major criteria for the now delayed approval of a crucial agreement with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) providing an initial 700 million dollars in fresh credits and about 1.1 billion dollars in debt relief.

A previous three-year agreement between the IMF and Manila collapsed in October due to the Philippines' failure to keep its deficit under control.

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#90353d9790 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 19) - Philippine President Corazon Aquino said Wednesday she had accepted the resignation of the the head of the Energy Regulatory Board (ERB), the body that sets fuel prices.

ERB chairman Marcelo Fernando offered to resign earlier this month after his agency ordered an average 45 per cent fuel price increase, triggering a widespread public outcry which prompted Mrs. Aquino to order a partial rollback of the price hikes.

Mrs. Aquino said she had accepted the resignation and and designated ERB commissioner Rex Tantiongco as acting chairman.

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#90353d9850 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 19) - The U.S. auto giant, General Motors Corp. (GMC) has tied

up with a local firm to manufacture compact cars in the Philippines, trade department officials said here Wednesday.

GMC would be returning to the Philippine auto market after its local joint venture ceased operations here in the early-1980s during an economic crisis.

GMC is teaming up with Transfarm, a local auto firm, to produce the Opel Kadett as part of the 'People's Car program,' a government project to encourage the production of small, low-priced cars.

Transfarm had originally planned to enter the program in partnership with Gurgel Motors of Brazil but found that Gurgel could not supply the necessary completely knocked down and semi-knocked down kits, the officials said.

The GMC-Transfarm plant will assemble units imported from Adam Opel, a GMC subsidiary in Germany.

The official Philippine News Agency said that Transfarm would invest an initial 200 million pesos (7.14 million dollars) in the project. The trade department officials could not say how much GMC would be investing or when production would begin.

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#90353d9900 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ABU DHABI (DEC. 19) - Kuwaiti nationals living in the United Arab Emirates (Uae) will be issued with new identity cards starting December 22, a Kuwaiti military official said here Wednesday.

Brigadier Mohammed Abdul Aziz al-Khatami said Kuwaiti security committees would hand out the cards in cooperation with Uae immigration departments, the Qaatar News Agency reported.

Al-Khatami, who is chairman of the Kuwaiti security committee in the Uae, said the new documents were designed to assert the Kuwaiti personality outside Iraqi-occupied Kuwait.

Around 50,000 Kuwaitis living in the Uae would have until January 26 to apply for their new papers, which are valid until the end of the Iraqi occupation of their country.

Kuwaiti security committees functioning in Saudi Arabia started on Monday to issue new Id cards to the 200,000 Kuwaitis living there.

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#90353d9940 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 19) - Three men from a family of thieves were sentenced to

death by a court in Jinan, in the northeastern province of Shandong, according to a report which reached here Wednesday.

The Shanghai Evening News said three other family members were jailed for their part in 92 thefts of railway property and merchandise which earned the family 15,000 dollars.

Hundreds of people have been executed in China during an anti-crime drive launched eight months ago.

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#90353d9950 12/19/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (DEC. 19) - New Zealand Finance Minister Ruth Richardson on Wednesday ordered the central bank to change its inflation target.

Reserve Bank Governor Don Brash was directed to bring down inflation, running at 5.0 per cent in the year to September, to between zero and two per cent by the end of 1993.

The Labour government, defeated by the National Party in October elections, had set the same target by the end of 1992.

The change, in line with the National Party election manifesto, coincided with the announcement in parliament of a budget sharply cutting welfare expenditure which accounts for one third of all government spending.

Wholesale interest rates, currently running at just above 13 per cent, fell in anticipation of the measures announced by Miss Richardson.

Mr. Brash said there was "now room for these wholesale interest rate falls to feed through to reductions in retail interest rates."

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#90353e0009 12/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BARCELONA, Spain (DEC. 19) EFE - A 50 year-old workshop owner was killed and at least 19 people were injured Wednesday in an underground gas explosion in a Barcelona suburb, hospital sources said.

Four of the injured, including a two-year-old girl, were reported to be in a serious condition following the blast in the Hospitalet de Llobregat district.

Neighbors said they had smelled gas the day before and that the local gas company and firecrews had checked the area.

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#90353e0017 12/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
SEVILLE, Spain (DEC. 19) EFE - An international police operation led to the seizure of 500 kg of hashish and the arrests of more than 30 people in southern Spain and Italy, police sources said Wednesday.

The sources in the southern Spanish city of Seville said the combined Spanish-Italian action, backed by Interpol, had broken up an important drugs network in southern Europe.

The drugs were said to have been seized in a foreign-registered truck in Seville province.

No dates were given for the arrests which were made in Seville, another southern Spanish province, Malaga, and in Italy.

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#90353e0020 12/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
BELGRADE (DEC. 19) EFE - More than 150 Albanians have been put on trial accused of taking part in last week's student-led anti-communist riots, the Yugoslav news ageny Tanjug reported Wednesday.

The riots, which were put down by troops backed by tanks, came just two days after President Ramiz Alia agreed to allow the formation of opposition parties in Albania, the last bastion of Stalinism in Eastern Europe.

Quoting Radio Tirana, Tanjug said that 62 people were being tried in the port city of Durres, 55 in Elbasan and 60 in Shkoder. The trials were expected to end this week.

The accused were charged with "threatening the lives and safety of citizens, illegal public conduct, assaulting representatives of the state, and illegal appropriation".

Some of the offences carry the death penalty.

The defendents have admitted their offences and recognized that they should have carried out their protests through "dialogue rather than violence", according to Radio Tirana.

Official reports said 16 people including six policemen were injured in the riots, but other sources put the figure at more than 100.

The Albanian state news agency ATA said Wednesday that the National Assembly had ratified Alia's decision but would not permit parties linked to "fascists, racists, those in favor of war or those which are anti-national".

Authorized parties could set up their own organizations, collect funds and

publish their own newspapers.

The first new political organization, the Democratic Party, announced its formation after Alia bowed to student demands for moves toward democracy. It was given official status Tuesday according to ATA.

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Malaga, Spain (DEC. 19) EFE - An international police operation has led to the seizure of 525 kg of hashish worth dlrs one million and the arrests of 32 people in southern Spain and Italy, authorities said Wednesday.

Alfredo Marijuan, the head of the local police's International Crime Group in the southern coastal city of Malaga, said that authorities this week had arrested 23 people in Italy and nine others in southern Spain.

He told reporters that the network had set up a base in the southern Spanish tourist area of the Mediterranean's Costa del Sol.

Five Italians, including Costa del Sol group leader Michelle Ricardi, three Moroccans and a Spaniard were detained in Spain, Marijuan said.

He added that the drugs were found in an Italian-registered truck in Seville after the activities of the group aroused suspicion earlier this year.

Marijuan did not say when police seized the drugs.

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#90353e0030 12/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (DEC. 19) EFE - Share prices on the Madrid stock exchange fell Wednesday with the general index down 2.10 points to close at 232.42.

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#90353e0033 12/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Rome (DEC. 19) EFE - The Sicilian Mafia struck a deal at least three years ago with Colombia's Medellin drug cartel acquiring the exclusive right to distrubute cocaine in Italy and southern Europe, according to an Italian police report released Wednesday.

The report by experts in the war against drugs said the pact defined the division of powers and was aimed at avoiding bloody feuds between drug traffickers.

The deal has already led to a substantial increase in the flow of cocaine into Europe, the report added.

Colombians continue to be responsible for smuggling the drug into Europe, chiefly through Spain from where it is destined to markets in northern Europe.

But, the report said, an amount was set aside for the Mafia to retail in areas they controlled.

The report referred to a court case in Miami in which several American Mafia families were named as having brokered the deal between their Sicilian associates and the Colombians.

Narcotics agents estimate that over the past three years, some 500 kg of Colombian cocaine has ended up in Italy as a result of the Mafia-Medellin pact.

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#90353e0036 12/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

KINSHASA (DEC. 19) EFE - Hundreds of Libyan prisoners of war are in a military base in eastern Zaire after the United States airlifted them out of Chad twelve days ago, diplomatic sources said Wednesday.

The POWs, who left Chad after Libyan-backed rebel forces overthrew the government of Hissen Habre earlier this month, are now in Kitona military base near the Atlantic coast, the sources said.

The sources, who asked to remain anonymous, said the move might jeapordize the dlrs one billion promised by Libya to the Zairean government to fund oil imports and to relieve the balance of payments deficit.

The United States was allegedly training the Libyans to undermine the government of Libyan leader Col. Muammar Gaddafi.

However observers have said President Mobutu Sese Seko might offer to return the Libyans in exchange for money from Tripoli.

Libya last week charged that the POWs were flown out of Chad against their will because Washington feared they would expose U.S. plans to subvert Gaddafi's government.

The POWs were captured during sporadic clashes between Libyan troops and Chadian government forces during a 1983-87 border dispute.

Tripoli alleges that 17 POWs were killed by the United States because they refused to join the airlift.

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#90353e0040 12/19/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) EFE - U.S. Vice President Dan Quayle will go to Saudi Arabia at the end of this month to spend New Year's Day with U.S. troops there his spokesman David Beckwith said Wednesday.

Quayle will also meet with Saudi King Fahd during the visit, which is to last from December 29 to January 2.

U.S. President George Bush visited American troops in the Gulf in November for Thanksgiving Day, and the actor Bob Hope is scheduled to spend Christmas Day with them.

More than 230,000 U.S. troops are deployed in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf as part of the multinational force deployed against Iraq following Baghdad's invasion of Kuwait in August.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Jan Bell Mktg	583,300	7 3/4	up 3/8
Echo Bay Mines	564,700	8 3/8	up 7/8
Dow Chemical rt	362,900	5	off 3/8
Timberland Co	357,100	5 1/2	off 1/4
Hillhaven Corp	328,000	1 3/4	unch
Amdahl Corp	313,400	14 1/4	up 5/8
First Aust Prm	305,500	9 3/8	up 1/8
OMI Corp	292,400	5 1/4	up 1/8
Contl Air Hldgs	290,900	2 1/8	up 1/8
Cheyenne Softwr	271,500	7 1/2	up 1/4

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OMAHA (DEC. 19) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 550; small volume steers and heifers 50-1.00 lower, prices hardly tested; considered sales mixed select and choice weak at the full decline; slaughter steers few choice No 2-4 1100-1300 lbs. 81.00-82.00, mixed select and choice 1050-1250 lbs. 78.00-81.00; slaughter heifers choice No 2-4 950-1200 lbs. 80.50-81.50, few 82.00, select and choice 975- 1100 lbs. 78.00-81.00.

Hogs slaughter 1,900, feeder pigs 800, total 2, 700; butchers 1.50 lower, No 1-3 220-250 lbs. 48.50-49.00, many early 49.00, No 2-3 250-270 lbs. 47.50-49.00, 270-290 lbs. 46.00-47.50; sows 20 percent, under 500 lbs. 1.00

lower, over 500 lbs. 1.50 lower and closing weak at the decline; No 1-3 350-500 lbs. 38.50-39.00, some 450 and up to 40.00, No 2-3 500-650 lbs.44.00-44. 50.

Sheep 50, slaughter lambs and ewes steady; slaughter lambs choice and prime 110-130 lbs. shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 45.00-47.00, in both categories weights outside these ranges discounted; wooled slaughter lambs choice and prime 110-130 lbs. 43.00-45.00; shorn slaughter ewes cull to good shorn No 1 and 2 pelts 13.00-17.00.

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#90353f1737 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2625.99	2648.51	2602.48	2626.73	unchanged
20 Trans	908.73	923.16	903.30	916.98	up 9.93
15 Utils	211.33	213.03	209.57	211.58	up 0.50
65 Stock	919.97	929.51	912.54	922.47	up 2.98

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
Indus	19,295,100	20,599,500
Trans	3,558,400	3,304,700
Utils	4,980,400	2,927,900
65 Stock	27,833,900	26,832,100

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.62	up 0.08
10 Public Utils	93.74	up 0.30
10 Industrials	89.51	off 0.14

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 126.41 up 0.57.

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#90353h0021 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 19) XINHUA - CHINA'S PRODUCTION OF NON-STAPLE FOODSTUFFS IS DEVELOPING STEADILY AND THE MARKET SUPPLY IS ABUNDANT.

CHEN YAOBANG, VICE-MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, SAID AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE TODAY THAT CHINA IS EXPECTED TO PRODUCE 26.7 MILLION TONS OF MEAT IN 1990, AN INCREASE OF 420,000 TONS. IN ADDITION, THE SUPPLY OF PIGS WILL INCREASE BY 5.1 MILLION HEAD TO 295 MILLION.

CHEN SAID THAT CHINA'S ANNUAL OUTPUT OF AQUATIC PRODUCTS IS EXPECTED TO REACH 12 MILLION TONS, AN INCREASE OF 500,000 TONS. THIS YEAR'S VEGETABLE PRODUCTION HAS MAINTAINED STEADY GROWTH, WHILE NON-STAPLE FOODSTUFFS ARE IN AMPLE SUPPLY AND PRICES ARE STABLE IN MAJOR CITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.

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#90353h0026 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 19) XINHUA - TEN JAPANESE BANKS GRANTED 80 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN LOAN TO CHINA PETROCHEMICAL CORPORATION (SINOPEC) HERE TODAY.

THE LOAN, THE LARGEST SUM GRANTED TO A CHINESE ENTERPRISE FROM FOREIGN BANKS SINCE OVERSEAS BANKS RESUMED THEIR LENDING ACTIVITY TO CHINA NOT LONG AGO, WILL BE USED TO BUILD NECESSARY FACILITIES ATTACHED TO QILU 300,000-TON ETHYLENE PROJECT IN EAST CHINA'S SHANDONG PROVINCE, XINHUA WAS TOLD.

THE LOANERS INCLUDE FOUR JAPANESE LEAD MANAGERS: THE DAI-I-CHI KANGYO BANK LTD., INDUSTRIAL BANK OF JAPAN LTD., LTCB LONG-TERM CREDIT BANK LTD., AND SANWA BANK LTD. AND SIX OTHER JAPANESE BANKS.

AS TAX SPARED TERM LOAN, THE 80-MILLION-US-DOLLAR WILL ENJOY AN INTEREST RATE OF LONDON INTERBANK OFFER RATE PLUS 0.42 PERCENT. THE LOAN HAS A MATURITY OF EIGHT YEARS, WITH THE GRACE PERIOD BEING FIVE YEARS.

SINOPEC IS A MULTI-INDUSTRIAL, TRANS-REGIONAL ECONOMIC ENTITY THAT ALMOST MONOPOLIZES THE COUNTRY'S PRODUCTION OF REFINED OIL PRODUCTS. WITH A FIXED ASSET OF 80 BILLION YUAN, SINOPEC NOW CAN PROCESS 124 MILLION TONS OF CRUDE OIL AND TURN OUT 1.82 MILLION TONS OF ETHYLENE A YEAR. ITS INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT VALUE IS EXPECTED TO REACH 44.2 BILLION YUAN THIS YEAR.

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#90353h0061 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

XI'AN (DEC. 19) XINHUA - THE SHAANXI PROVINCE TECHNOLOGY EXPORT ASSOCIATION, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN CHINA, HAS BEEN SET UP HERE.

THE ASSOCIATION IS COMPOSED OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS, UNIVERSITIES, COMPANIES, AND INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES. IT IS A MULTI-PROFESSIONAL SERVICE ORGANIZATION COMBINING MORE THAN 80 UNITS FROM ALL OVER THE PROVINCE.

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#90353h0065 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 19) XINHUA - CHINA HAS IMPORTED OVER 15 MILLION TONS OF GRAIN ANNUALLY IN RECENT YEARS, BUT AT THE SAME TIME THE COUNTRY HAS ALSO EXPORTED THREE TO FOUR MILLION TONS.

CHEN YAOBANG, VICE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, SAID AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HELD TODAY THAT CHINA IMPORTS GRAIN FOR THREE REASONS.

THE FIRST REASON IS FOR VARIETY ADJUSTMENT. CHEN SAID THAT CHINA'S WHEAT PRODUCTION IS RELATIVELY LOW, AND BECAUSE OF THIS THE COUNTRY MUST IMPORT WHEAT TO MEET THE DOMESTIC DEMAND.

IN ADDITION, THE AMOUNT OF GRAIN IMPORTED DEPENDS ON THE ANNUAL HARVEST OF A PARTICULAR GRAIN PRODUCT. THE VICE MINISTER SAID THAT WHILE CHINA HAS A BALANCED SUPPLY OF RICE AND MAIZE, IT IS SOMETIMES NECESSARY FOR THE SOUTHERN PROVINCES, WHICH RELY ON THE NORTHERN MAIZE, TO IMPORT THE PRODUCT IF THERE IS A POOR HARVEST IN THE NORTH. ON THE OTHER HAND, IF SOUTHERN RICE PRODUCING PROVINCES SUFFER FROM NATURAL DISASTER CHINA MUST IMPORT RICE.

FINALLY, SAID CHEN, PRICE CHANGES AND OTHER FACTORS WHICH EFFECT THE INTERNATIONAL GRAIN MARKET ALSO ARE FACTORS IN CHINA'S NEED TO IMPORT GRAIN.

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#90353h0074 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WARSAW (DEC. 19) XINHUA - POLISH PRESIDENT-ELECT LECH WALESA TUESDAY APPEALED TO THE SOCIETY, THE ENTERPRISES IN PARTICULAR, TO HELP SELECT YOUNG, ABLED PEOPLE TO REINFORCE THE POLICE FORCE.

HE SAID POLICE FORCE WILL REMAIN POWERLESS WITHOUT THE UNDERSTANDING AND SUPPORT OF THE SOCIETY, ADDING THAT THE COUNTRY WILL TAKE TOUGH MEASURES TO CRACKDOWN ON CRIMINAL OFFENSES.

IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE COUNTRY'S POLICE AND SECURITY FORCES WERE BEATEN BY THE SOLIDARITY-LED GOVERNMENT FORMED LAST YEAR, WHICH FOLLOWED THE DRASTIC CHANGES THAT SWEPT EAST EUROPE. MANY OF THEM RETIRED IN ADVANCE WHILE THOSE WHO REMAIN IN OFFICE CONVEY NEGATIVE ATTITUTES, WHICH RESULTS IN THE WEAKENING OF POLICE FORCE AND A RISE IN CRIMES.

ACCORDING TO THE FIGURES RELEASED TODAY BY THE WARSAW POLICE BUREAU, THE NUMBER OF REGISTERED CRIMINAL CASES IN THE WARSAW PROVINCE REACHED 117,500 BY NOVEMBER THIS YEAR, A 72 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

HOWEVER, THE RATE OF CASES SOLVED ONLY REACHED 15.5 PERCENT, FAR BELOW LAST YEAR'S RATE OF 27.5 PERCENT, THE BUREAU ADDED.

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#90353h0096 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HOHHOT (DEC. 19) XINHUA - AS HERDSMEN'S INCOMES HAVE INCREASED RAPIDLY IN RECENT YEARS IN CHINA, THEIR ATTITUDES TOWARD MONEY HAVE CHANGED DRASTICALLY.

WHEREAS THEY USED TO HIDE THEIR MONEY AT HOME, NOW THEY PREFER DEPOSITING IT

IN BANKS.

ACCORDING TO STATISTICS FROM THE INNER MONGOLIA BRANCH OF THE AGRICULTURAL BANK OF CHINA, BY THE END OF NOVEMBER THIS YEAR THE TOTAL SAVINGS DEPOSITS OF THE HERDSMEN IN THIS NORTH CHINA AUTONOMOUS REGION REACHED 3.03 BILLION YUAN (ABOUT 606 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

MORE THAN 80 PERCENT OF THE HERDSMEN'S FAMILIES HAVE SAVINGS IN THE BANK AND EACH FAMILY AVERAGES 2,875 YUAN (ABOUT 570 U.S. DOLLARS), 5.4 TIMES THE FIGURE FOR 1980.

THE REGION, WITH A TOTAL AREA OF 1.18 MILLION SQ KM, HAS THE BIGGEST PASTURELAND AND THE SECOND-LARGEST FOREST AREA IN THE COUNTRY. IT ALSO BOASTS FARMLAND AND RISH MINERAL RESOURCES OF COAL, STEEL AND RARE EARTH.

THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER, "AGRICULTURE AND HUSBANDRY FINANCIAL NEWS", ANALYZED THAT THE REASON FOR THE INCREASE IN THE HERDSMEN'S SAVINGS DEPOSITS LIES IN THE HERDSMEN'S INCREASED INCOME IN THE PAST FEW YEARS AND THEIR CHANGING MENTALITY.

TAKE DLIGER, A HERDSMAN IN THE REGION, AS AN EXAMPLE. HE EARNED 800 YUAN (ABOUT 160 U.S. DOLLARS) IN CASH IN 1986 AND "DEPOSITED" THE MONEY IN A PAIR OF WORN-OUT SHOES, RATHER THAN IN THE BANK.

HOWEVER, HIS LITTLE SON, WHO WAS NOT AWARE OF THE MONEY IN THE SHOES, SOLD THEM.

THE NEXT YEAR DLIGER DREW A LESSON FROM THIS AND CHOSE TO DEPOSIT HIS SURPLUS MONEY IN THE BANK. AFTER HE RECEIVED A SUM OF INTEREST FROM THE BANK A YEAR LATER, HE FOUND THAT IT WAS NOT ONLY SAFE BUT ALSO BENEFICIAL TO DEPOSIT MONEY IN THE BANK.

SINCE THE HOUSEHOLD CONTRACT RESPONSIBILITY SYSTEM WAS IMPLEMENTED IN THE REGION A FEW YEARS AGO, THE REGION HAS REAPED BUMPER HARVESTS FOR SIX YEARS IN SUCCESSION. THE HERDSMEN'S AVERAGE INCOME PER CAPITA INCREASED FROM 573 YUAN TO 1,038 YUAN A YEAR.

MANY HERDSMEN HAVE BOUGHT TRACTORS, MOTORCYCLES, TV SETS, REFRIGERATORS AND WASHING MACHINES WITH THEIR NEW WEALTH.

TO MEET THE NEED OF THE DEPOSITORS, 3,246 SAVING BANKS HAVE BEEN SET UP IN THE RURAL AREAS OF THE REGION.

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#90353h0100 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 19) XINHUA - CHINA AND FRANCE SIGNED HERE TODAY A PROTOCOL ON INTER-GOVERNMENTAL FINANCIAL COOPERATION.

UNDER THE PROTOCOL, FRANCE WILL PROVIDE A MIXED LOAN OF 1.31 BILLION FRANCS (ABOUT 257 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) TO CHINA FOR BUYING FRENCH EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE FIELDS OF TELECOMMUNICATION AND ENERGY.

THIS IS THE EIGHTH PROTOCOL BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES SINCE 1985.

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#90353h0113 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HELSINKI (DEC. 19) XINHUA - FINNISH CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES IS STRENGTHENING THE CHECK OF VEHICLES FROM THE SOVIET UNION TO PREVENT SMUGGLING OF WINE. FINNISH NEWS AGENCY REPORTED TODAY.

THE AGENCY SAID THAT SMUGGLING OF WINE FROM THE SOVIET UNION TO FINLAND HAS INCREASED SHARPLY AS THE NUMBERS OF SOVIET TOURISTS TO THE COUNTRY ARE INCREASINGLY RISING SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THIS YEAR.

THE MEASURE, WHICH STARTED TUESDAY, WILL LAST UNTIL THE SMUGGLING OF WINE IS CONTROLLED EFFECTIVELY.

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#90353h0114 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (DEC. 19) XINHUA - THE INDONESIAN MINISTRY OF HEALTH HAD UNTIL 1989 REGISTERED MORE THAN 26,000 KINDS OF FOOD PRODUCTS WHICH ARE PRODUCED BY ABOUT 1,786 FOOD INDUSTRIES IN THE COUNTRY, MINISTER OF HEALTH ADHYATMA SAID IN JAKARTA TUESDAY.

ACCORDING TO THE INDONESIA TIMES TODAY, ADHYATMA PREDICTED THAT FOOD INDUSTRIES IN INDONESIA WOULD DEVELOP RAPIDLY MAINLY BECAUSE OF THE AVAILABILITY OF ABUNDANT RAW MATERIALS.

"TOWARDS THE YEAR 2000, FOOD INDUSTRIES -- IN LINE WITH INDUSTRIALIZATION -- WILL DEVELOP AND PRODUCE POTENTIAL EXPORT PRODUCTS," HE SAID.

THE MINISTER SAID THE DEVELOPMENT OF FOOD INDUSTRIES AT HOME SHOULD CONTINUOUSLY BE SUPERVIZED TO ENSURE THAT THE QUALITY AND SECURITY OF THEIR PRODUCT COULD BE MAINTAINED.

HE URGED FOOD IMPORTERS/EXPORTERS AND DISTRIBUTORS TO INCREASE THEIR KNOWLEDGE ON THE HANDLING OF FOOD PRODUCTS, SAYING THAT MOST OF THEM HAVE NO LABORATORY FACILITIES AND EXPERTS.

THE MINISTER ALSO SAID THE INDONESIAN EXPORT VALUE OF DRUGS AND RAW MATERIALS FOR DRUG IN 1989 STOOD AT 18 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS. HE HOPED THE INDONESIAN PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRIES WOULD INCREASE THEIR PRODUCTION CAPABILITY BEFORE ENTERING THE SIXTH FIVE-YEAR DEVELOPMENT PLAN (1994-1999).

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#90353h0116 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
MANILA (DEC. 19) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINES, THE WORLD'S SECOND BIGGEST PRODUCER OF GEOTHERMAL ENERGY NEXT TO THE UNITED STATES, IS DEVELOPING GEOTHERMAL POWER AS A VIABLE SOURCE OF ALTERNATIVE ENERGY.

A LATEST OFFICIAL REPORT PUTS THE COUNTRY'S GEOTHERMAL ENERGY RESERVE AT OVER 8000 MEGAWATTS, OF WHICH 1640 MEGAWATTS HAVE BEEN TESTED WHILE 21 PERCENT HAVE BEEN INSTALLED.

THERE ARE FOUR GEOTHERMAL POWER PLANTS IN THE COUNTRY.

THE COUNTRY PLACES RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES FOR GEOTHERMAL ENERGY ON THE MULTI-DISCIPLINARY APPROACH FOR THE POWER AND NON-ELECTRICAL UTILIZATION OF GEOTHERMAL ENERGY AND RECOVERY OF PRECIOUS METALS FROM GEOTHERMAL BRINE.

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#90353h0120 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 19) XINHUA - THE LATEST CRIME FIGURES FOR ENGLAND AND WALES SHOW A 16 PERCENT INCREASE OF CRIMES IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF THIS YEAR, COMPARED TO THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

THE INCREASE OF CRIME FIGURES, RELEASED BY THE GOVERNMENT TODAY, IS THE SECOND LARGEST ONE SINCE CRIME RECORDS BEGAN IN 1857.

IN THE YEAR TO SEPTEMBER, THE RISE IN ENGLAND AND WALES WAS 14 PERCENT, NEARLY THREE TIMES THE AVERAGE RISE IN 1980-1989, WHICH WAS AT 5 PERCENT.

THE LARGETEST INCREASES WERE IN PROPERTY CRIMES, WITH BURLARY UP 7 PERCENT AND THEFT UP 15 PERCENT.

THE RISE IN VIOLENT CRIMES AND SEX CRIMES WAS AT AN AVERAGE OF 4 PERCENT.

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#90353h0122 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
HARARE (DEC. 19) XINHUA - ZIMBABWE'S HEALTH MINISTER TIMOTHY STAMPS SAID TUESDAY THAT HIS COUNTRY WOULD WITNESS AN ESCALATION IN AIDS DEATHS OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARSS.

SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE AFTER THE WITHDRAWAL FROM THE MARKET OF 30,000 UNRELIABLE CONDOMS, MR. STAMPS SAID THAT 25 PERCENT OF AIDS CASES IN ZIMBABWE NUMBERING 4,000 TO DATE ARE CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF FIVE, ADDING THAT MOST OF THEM ARE SUSPECTED TO HAVE CONTRACTED THE KILLER DISEASE FROM THEIR MOTHERS.

TWO MONTHS AGO, THE MINISTER DISCLOSED THAT ABOUT 350,000 PEOPLE WERE INFECTED BY AIDS VIRUS IN THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN COUNTRY. HE DESCRIBED THIS AS SOMETHING NO COUNTRY IN THE WORLD CAN TAKE LIGHTLY.

"OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS WE ARE GOING TO SEE AN ESCALATION IN DEATHS FROM AIDS EVEN IF WE DON'T HAVE ONE MORE INFECTION," HE NOTED.

THE MINISTER ARGUED THAT EVEN THE BEST CONDOMS ARE NO GUARANTEE AGAINST CONTRACTING AIDS. HE THEREFORE URGED PEOPLE TO ADHERE TO ONE SEXTUAL PARTNERSHIP.

"ONLY A MUTUALLY, FAITHFUL LIFELONG PARTNERSHIP WILL NOT PUT PEOPLE AT RISK OF GETTING AIDS," SAID THE MINISTER.

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#90353h0123 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 19) XINHUA - KENYA'S OVERALL BALANCE OF PAYMENTS GOT WORSE DURING THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR AS IMPORTS CONTINUED TO INCREASE SHARPLY.

ACCORDING TO THE LATEST ISSUE OF "QUARTERLY ECONOMIC REVIEW" PUBLISHED BY THE CENTRAL BANK OF KENYA, THE EAST AFRICAN COUNTRY RECORDED A DEFICIT OF 3.1 BILLION SHILLINGS (ABOUT 135 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) IN THE OVERALL BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DURING THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR IN CONTRAST TO A SURPLUS OF 1.54 BILLION SHILLINGS IN THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

THE PUBLICATION ATTRIBUTED THE WORSENING BALANCE OF PAYMENTS TO THE ON-GOING IMPORT LIBERALIZATION PROGRAM AND THE INCREASE IN CRUDE OIL PRICES.

ACCORDING TO THE REVIEW, KENYA SPENT 40.09 BILLION SHILLINGS IMPORTING OIL IN THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THIS YEAR. BUT CRUDE OIL IMPORTS ONLY COST THE COUNTRY 24.82 BILLION SHILLINGS DURING THE FIRST HALF OF LAST YEAR.

DURING THE PERIOD, THE MERCHANDISE TRADE DEFICIT WIDENED TO 7.27 BILLION SHILLINGS, AN INCREASE OF 38 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

THE IMPORT BILL FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS INCREASED TO 19.77 BILLION SHILLINGS FROM 14.68 BILLION SHILLINGS IN THE SAME PERIOD OF 1989.

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#90353h0124 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

KAMPALA (DEC. 19) XINHUA - PALESTINIAN PRESIDENT YASSIR ARAFAT LEFT HERE THIS EVENING AFTER ENDING A FIVE-HOUR VISIT TO UGANDA.

AN OFFICIAL SOURCE FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL OFFICE TOLD REPORTERS THAT DURING HIS STAY HERE, ARAFAT HELD TALKS WITH CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY (OAU), UGANDAN PRESIDENT YOWERI MUSEVENI ON THE SITUATION IN THE GULF.

BEFORE VISITING UGANDA, ARAFAT HAD VISITED NIGERIA, ZAMBIA, ANGOLA, GABON AND ZIMBABWE. HE WILL ALSO VISIT TANZANIA IN HIS CURRENT AFRICAN TOUR.

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#90353h0140 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISTANBUL (DEC. 19) XINHUA - TURKISH PRIME MINISTER YILDIRIM AKBULUT SAID TODAY THAT ALL PEACEFUL MEANS SHOULD BE TRIED IN SOLVING THE GULF CRISIS.

IN A MEETING WITH EXECUTIVE MEMBERS OF TURKISH JOURNALISTS AS SOCIATION, AKBULUT SAID THAT THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT ALL PEACEFUL MEANS TO SOLVE THE GULF CRISIS.

IF IRAQ STILL REFUSED TO CARRY OUT THE U.N. RELEVANT SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS DESPITE ALL THE PEACEFUL EFFORTS, "WE WILL THINK OF ENDING THE CRISIS IN A WAY THAT WE DO NOT WISH TO," THE PRIME MINISTER SAID.

ON MONDAY, AKBULUT SAID THAT NEITHER TURKEY NOR THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WANTED A MILITARY SOLUTION TO THE CRISIS, BUT WARNED THAT IF IRAQ FAILS TO GIVE A POSITIVE RESPONSE TO "THAT PEACEFUL APPROACH," AN "UNWANTED SOLUTION" COULD BE CONSIDERED.

AKBULUT SAID HE EXPECTED IRAQ TO FOLLOW POLICIES BASED ON COMMON SENSE AND REASON. "IRAQ SHOULD AVOID BEHAVIORS THAT COULD PREPARE A WAR ATMOSPHERE," HE SAID.

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#90353h0154 12/19/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) XINHUA - THE WHITE HOUSE TODAY QUICKLY TURNED DOWN AN ASSESSMENT BY ONE OF TOP MILITARY COMMANDERS IN THE PERSIAN GULF AREA THAT U.S. TROOPS WOULD NOT BE READY TO MOUNT AN OFFENSIVE BY THE JANUARY 15 U.N. DEADLINE FOR IRAQ TO LEAVE KUWAIT.

LT. GEN. CALVIN WALLER, THE DEPUTY COMMANDER OF ALL U.S. FORCES IN THE GULF, TOLD REPORTERS THAT THE FULL U.S. DEPLOYMENT WOULD REACH ABOUT 430,000 TROOPS BY MID-JANUARY, BUT THE LATE-ARRIVING ARMORED UNITS WOULD NOT BE COMBAT READY FOR SOME TIME, PERHAPS NOT UNTIL FEBRUARY 15.

MARLIN FITZWATER, SPOKESMAN OF THE WHITE HOUSE, WAS ASKED ABOUT WALLER'S ASSESSMENT. "WHAT HE REALLY SAID IS THEY MIGHT NOT BE AS READY AS THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE ... FOR ALL THE CONTINGENCIES," HE SAID.

"BUT WE ARE ASSURED THEY WILL BE READY TO DO WHATEVER THEY ARE CALLED UPON TO DO," FITZWATER SAID.

WALLER MADE HIS COMMENTS AFTER A MEETING WITH DEFENSE SECRETARY RICHARD CHENEY

AND GEN. COLIN POWELL, CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF, WHO ARRIVED IN SAUDI ARABIA TODAY FOR TWO DAYS OF STRATEGY SESSIONS WITH U.S. GULF FORCE COMMANDERS AND ANOTHER TWO DAYS OF VISITING THE U.S. TROOPS THERE.

WALLER SAID, "I WOULD SAY TO THE PRESIDENT AND TO THE SECRETARY AND TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF THAT UNTIL OUR FULL COMPLEMENT OF FORCES ARE ON THE GROUND, WE SHOULD NOT INITIATE HOSTILE ACTIVITIES."

ASKED HOW HE WOULD RESPOND IF PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH WANTED TO ORDER A STRIKE ON IRAQ BEFORE THE FULL COMPLEMENT OF U.S. GROUND FORCES WAS READY, WALLER SAID "I'D TELL HIM: NO, I'M NOT READY TO DO THE JOB."

WALLER WAS THE FIRST SENIOR MILITARY COMMANDER TO SAY PUBLICLY THAT HE WOULD OPPOSE ANY U.S. MILITARY STRIKE UNTIL THE FULL FORCE WAS IN PLACE. HIS COMMENTS RAISED EYEBROWS AMONG DEPUTIES TO GEN. POWELL AND GEN. NORMAN SCHWARZKOPF, THE COMMANDER OF ALL U.S. FORCES IN THE GULF, WHO SAID THEY WERE CONCERNED THAT WALLER HAD BEEN TOO CANDID.

BUT CHENEY AND GEN. POWELL TOLD REPORTERS TRAVELING WITH THEM THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL BE READY TO GO TO WAR BY THE JANUARY 15 DEADLINE REGARDLESS OF WHETHER ALL REINFORCEMENTS HAVE ARRIVED AND REACHED COMBAT-READINESS, ALTHOUGH THEY ACKNOWLEDGED SOME GROUND FORCES ON THE WAY TO SAUDI ARABIA FROM THE UNITED STATES AND GERMANY PROBABLY WOULD NOT BE COMBAT-READY BY MID-JANUARY.

"WE HAVE AN OFFENSIVE CAPABILITY SHOULD THAT BE REQUIRED," CHENEY SAID. "MOST OF THE FORCES WILL BE THERE BY THEN (JANUARY 15), BUT OBVIOUSLY THERE IS ADDITIONAL WORK TO BE DONE BEFORE YOU WOULD IDENTIFY THEM AS COMBAT-READY."

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HONG KONG (DEC. 19) KYODO - TWO JAPANESE COMPANIES, KUMAGAI GUMI (HK) AND MITSUI AND CO. (HK) HAVE SIGNED A DEAL TO JOINTLY DEVELOP PORT FACILITIES AT SHENZHEN, IN CHINA'S SOUTHEAST GUANGDONG PROVINCE, THE SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST SAID ON WEDNESDAY.

THE DEAL, INCLUDING STORAGE, TRANSPORTATION, AND LIGHT INDUSTRIES AT SHENZHEN'S YANTIAN PORT, IS WORTH 1 BILLION HONG KONG DOLLARS AND WILL HAVE THREE STAGES, THE PAPER REPORTS.

SHENZHEN, LOCATED JUST NORTH OF THE HONG KONG BORDER, IS THE MOST SUCCESSFUL OF CHINA'S SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES, SEMICAPITALIST ENCLAVES ESTABLISHED UNDER THE OPEN DOOR AND ECONOMIC REFORM POLICIES OF THE EARLY 1980S.

SHENZHEN DONG PONG INDUSTRY CO. LTD., REPRESENTED BY SHENZHEN'S VICE MAYOR, ZHU YUENING, SIGNED A DEAL TUESDAY TO TRANSFER A ONE MILLION SQUARE FOOT SITE TO THE JAPANESE COMPANIES ON A 35-YEAR LEASE.

MITSUI, A LEADING TRADING HOUSE, AND KUMAGAI GUMI, A MAJOR CONSTRUCTION FIRM, HAVE A 50 PERCENT STAKE EACH IN THE JOINT VENTURE COMPANY CREATED TO HANDLE THE PROJECT, A MITSUI OFFICIAL WAS QUOTED AS SAYING.

YANTIAN WILL BE ONE OF THE DEEPEST PORTS IN THE WORLD AND IS AIMING TO BE ONE OF CHINA'S LARGEST ENTREPOTS, THE OFFICIAL REPORTEDLY SAID.

IT WOULD ACT AS A FEEDER TO HONG KONG'S SEA TRAFFIC, RATHER THAN A RIVAL TO IT HE ADDED.

MEANWHILE, KUMAGAI GUMI (HK) HAS SECURED TWO CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS IN HONG KONG WORTH A TOTAL OF 344 MILLION HONG KONG DOLLARS TO SET UP POWER STATIONS, ACCORDING TO ANOTHER BUSINESS REPORT IN WEDNESDAY'S SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST.

KUMAGAI WILL UNDERTAKE SITE FORMATION WORK FOR A GAS TURBINE POWER STATION, AND WILL ALSO CARRY OUT MAIN CIVIL WORKS FOR A SUBSTATION, THE REPORTED SAID.

THE TWO CONTRACTS WERE AWARDED BY KOWLOON ELECTRICITY SUPPLY CO. (KESCO), A JOINT VENTURE 40 PERCENT OWNED BY CHINA LIGHT AND POWER AND 60 PERCENT BY EXXON ENERGY, THE POST REPORT SAID.

BOTH SITES AR ON THE SPARSELY POPULATED LANTAU ISLAND, THE LARGEST ISLAND IN HONG KONG'S TERRITORY.

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#90353k0019 12/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 19) KYODO - THE TOKYO DISTRICT COURT ON WEDNESDAY STARTED THE TRIAL OF TWO FORMER BRANCH MANAGERS OF SUMITOMO BANK AND A MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT FOR ILLEGALLY ARRANGING HUGE AMOUNT OF LOANS TO STOCK SPECULATORS.

AKINORI YAMASHITA, 45, FORMER MANAGER OF SUMITOMO'S AOBADAI BRANCH IN YOKOHAMA PLEADED GUILTY TO CHARGES OF ILLEGALLY MEDIATING MORE THAN 20 BILLION YEN IN LOANS TO STOCK SPECULATOR GROUPS.

PUBLIC PROSECUTORS SAID THAT YAMASHITA RECEIVED A TOTAL OF 195 MILLION YEN IN CASH AND INFORMATION ON SPECULATIVE STOCKS IN RETURN FOR FIXING UNLAWFUL LOANS.

BUT YAMASHITA'S SUCCESSOR AT AOBADAI, FUMIO NISHIMARU, 41, PLEADED NOT GUILTY ON A SEPARATE CHARGE OF ILLEGALLY ARRANGING 20 BILLION YEN IN LOANS TO ANOTHER STOCK SPECULATOR GROUP.

NISHIMARU SAID HE MERELY INTRODUCED TARGETS FOR LENDING MONEY TO BANK CUSTOMERS AS A BANK SERVICE. HE ALSO STRESSED HE DID NOT INTEND TO GAIN PROFITS FOR HIMSELF A SPECULATOR GROUP AND DID NOT RECEIVE ANY CASH OR STOCKS FOR ARRANGING LARGE LOANS.

THE THIRD PERSON INVOLVED, MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT KIYOSHI AKIYAMA, 40, PLEADED

GUILTY. THE PROSECUTORS SAID HE NOT ONLY RECEIVED AN ILLEGAL 1 BILLION YEN LOAN THROUGH YAMASHITA, BUT ACTED AS AN INTERMEDIARY FOR ARRANGING A SERIES OF ILLEGAL LOANS.

THE THREE HAVE BEEN INDICTED FOR VIOLATING THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE LAW. OFFICIALS OF FINANCING INSTITUTIONS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO MEDIATE LOANS FOR THIRD PARTIES.

DURING THE TRIAL WEDNESDAY, PROSECUTORS CHARGED THAT YAMASHITA ARRANGED 11.4 BILLION YEN IN ILLEGAL LOANS TO THE KOSHIN GROUP OF STOCK SPECULATORS IN 1988.

THE PROSECUTORS ALSO SAID MITSUHIRO KOTANI, HEAD OF KOSHIN, PAID YAMASHITA 100 MILLION YEN IN CASH AND GAVE HIM INFORMATION ON SPECULATIVE STOCKS FOR FIXING ILLEGAL LOANS.

KOTANI IS NOW STANDING TRIAL SEPARATELY FOR ALLEGED STOCK MANIPULATION. YAMASHITA ALSO ARRANGED 11.5 BILLION YEN IN ILLEGAL LOANS TO AN AFFILIATED COMPANY OF ANOTHER ''SEIBI'' STOCK SPECULATOR GROUP HEADED BY AKIRA KATO IN 1990, THE PROSECUTORS SAID.

SUMITOMO BANK CHAIRMAN ICHIRO ISODA RESIGNED FROM HIS POST IN OCTOBER AFTER YAMASHITA WAS ARRESTED.

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#90353k0044 12/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 19) KYODO - JOYO BANK, A REGIONAL BANK, SAID WEDNESDAY IT PLANS TO SET UP ITS FIRST OVERSEAS SUBSIDIARY IN BRUSSELS IN EARLY MARCH.

THE MITO-BASED BANK IN IBARAKI PREFECTURE SAID ITS AFFILIATE, TO BE KNOWN AS JOYO BANK (EUROPE), WILL AIM AT ACQUIRING UNIVERSAL BANKING KNOW-HOW AND AT SERVING ACTIVE INTERNATIONAL CLIENTELE.

WITH THE SUBSIDIARY, JOHO BECOMES THE SECOND REGIONAL BANK AFTER YOKOHAMA BANK TO HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE BRANCH IN EUROPE.

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#90353k0048 12/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NAGOYA (DEC. 19) KYODO - TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. HAS OPENED ITS SECOND FACTORY IN THE SOVIET UNION FOR MAINTENANCE AND AFTERSALE SERVICE OF ITS CARS, PRESIDENT SYOICHIRO TOYODA SAID WEDNESDAY.

TOYODA SAID AT A PRESS CONFERENCE THAT HE HOPES TO STRENGTHEN THE COMPANY'S SALES BASE IN THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE BY BUILDING A NETWORK OF SUCH MAINTENANCE FACTORIES.

''WE ARE THINKING OF BUILDING EIGHT MORE FACTORIES IN THE SOVIET UNION BY THE

END OF NEXT YEAR. WE ARE ALSO PREPARING TO BUILD FACTORIES IN EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES,'' HE SAID.

TOYOTA-DALJLESPROM KHABAROVSK SERVICE STATION, LOCATED IN THE SUBURBS OF KHABAROVSK, FOLLOWS A FACTORY OPENING IN MOSCOW IN OCTOBER, AND WILL BE THE SERVICE CENTER FOR TOYOTA CARS IN THE SOVIET FAR EAST.

IT HAS FLOOR SPACE OF 400 SQUARE METERS AND A STAFF OF 14 HANDLING MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS AS WELL AS SALES OF CAR PARTS, THE PRESIDENT SAID.

PARTICIPATING IN THE INVESTMENT OF THE NEW FACTORY ARE TOYOTA, THE LOCAL SOVIET CONCERNS AND THE JAPANESE TRADING COMPANY NISSHO IWAI CORP.

TOYOTA'S CAR EXPORTS TO THE SOVIET UNION, AT 2,500 VEHICLES LAST YEAR, ARE EXPECTED TO INCREASE TO 3,500 VEHICLES THIS YEAR.

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#90353k0049 12/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 19) KYODO - NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. (NTT) PRESIDENT MASASHI KOJIMA SAID WEDNESDAY HE WANTS THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT TO ALLOW FOREIGN INVESTORS TO BUY SHARES OF STOCK IN THE GIANT TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY.

UNDER JAPANESE LAW, FOREIGN INVESTORS ARE PROHIBITED FROM BUYING NTT STOCK, AND THE TELEPHONE COMPANY CANNOT PURSUE BUSINESS ACTIVITIES OVERSEAS.

KOJIMA SAID AT A TOKYO PRESS CONFERENCE THAT THE LAW SHOULD BE REVISED TO ENABLE THE GIANT TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY TO RAISE FUNDS ON OVERSEAS MARKETS AND TO JOINTLY CARRY OUT DIRECT BUSINESS PROJECTS WITH FOREIGN FIRMS IN OTHER COUNTRIES. HE ADDED THAT, BECAUSE SOME STOCKHOLDERS ARE UPSET WITH THE RECENT DECLINE IN NTT'S STOCK, THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD RAPIDLY ELIMINATE RESTRICTIONS ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN THE FIRM. THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT, WHICH OWNS 10.2 MILLION OF NTT'S OUTSTANDING SHARES, PLANS TO SELL OFF 500,000 SHARES OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

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#90353k0055 12/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 19) KYODO - THE POPULATION OF THE TOKYO METROPOLITAN AREA ROSE 0.2 PERCENT, OR 25,624 PEOPLE, OVER 1985 TO SET A NEW HIGH OF 11,854,987 THIS YEAR, THE TOKYO GOVERNMENT SAID WEDNESDAY.

BOTH THE SIZE AND THE RATE OF THE INCREASE OF THE RISE WERE THE LOWEST ON RECORD, THE GOVERNMENT SAID WHEN RELEASING PRELIMINARY RESULTS OF A NATIONAL CENSUS CONDUCTED IN OCTOBER.

STEEP LAND PRICE SPIRALS AND THE EXPANSION OF OFFICE SPACE SENT THE POPULATION

OF THE 23 WARDS IN INNER TOKYO ON A 2.3 PERCENT DECLINE OVER THE 1985 LEVEL, THE SURVEY SAID.

THE 23 WARDS ACCOUNTED FOR 8,163,127 AND SURBURBAN CITIES MADE UP 3,525,926. THE REMAINING POPULACE IS DISPERSED IN COUNTIES AND ISLAND AREAS SOUTH OF TOKYO.

THE PRELIMINARY FIGURES OF THE CENSUS SHOWED A SLIGHT INCREASE IN MALES IN TOKYO COMPARED WITH FEMALES -- 101.4 MALES AGAINST 100 FEMALES, AND A GROWING TREND OF ''NUCLEAR FAMILIES.''

THE NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS IN TOKYO TOTALED 4,778,400, UP 5.9 PERCENT, OR 2.48 MEMBERS PER FAMILY COMPARED WITH 2.62 IN THE 1985 CENSUS.

POPULATION RISES WERE REPORTED ONLY IN EDOGAWA, NERIMA, AND THREE OTHER WARDS, WHILE THE SIZE OF INHABITANTS IN CENTRAL TOKYO DROPPED MARKEDLY. CHIYODA WARD, A BUSINESS HUB, SAW THE SHARPEST FALL IN ITS POPULATION, BY 21.8 PERCENT, TO 39,000.

POPULATION EXPANSION WAS CONSPICUOUS ACROSS THE WESTERN SURBURBAN AREA, WITH TAMA TOPPING THE LIST WITH AN 18.3 PERCENT RISE.

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#90353k0060 12/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MAEBASHI (DEC. 19) KYODO - POLICE ARRESTED A 10-YEAR-OLD GIRL'S FATHER WEDNESDAY ON SUSPICION OF STRANGLING HER FOR 20 MILLION YEN IN INSURANCE AND DUMPING HER BODY IN THE WOODS.

POLICE IN GUNMA PREFECTURE, NORTH OF TOKYO, ARRESTED DENJIRO KINOSHITA, 52, A STONE MASON, IN CONNECTION WITH THE KILLING OF HIS DAUGHTER, YOSHIKO, ON DECEMBER 11 IN WOODS A FEW KILOMETERS FROM THEIR HOUSE. HER BODY WAS FOUND ABANDONED THERE.

HE WAS QUOTED AS TELLING POLICE THAT HE KILLED YOSHIKO FOR THE INSURANCE POLICY ON HER LIFE BECAUSE HE HAD LOST MONEY GAMBLING, POLICE SAID.

KINOSHITA REPORTED HIS DAUGHTER MISSING THAT NIGHT, TELLING POLICE THAT HE HAD DRIVEN HER TO A FRIEND'S HOUSE BUT THAT SHE NEVER CAME HOME.

ON TUESDAY THIS WEEK, AFTER INVESTIGATORS FOUND HER CORPSE IN THE WOODS, KINOSHITA APPEARED SHOCKED WHEN HE IDENTIFIED THE BODY.

POLICE SAID HE HAD ACCUMULATED 15 MILLION YEN IN DEBTS BY GAMBLING AND DRINKING.

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#90353k0063 12/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 19) KYODO - THE GOVERNMENTS OF JAPAN AND THE PHILIPPINES ON WEDNESDAY SIGNED AN AGREEMENT ON A COMMODITY LOAN PACKAGE FROM TOKYO OF 28.2 BILLION YEN FOR EARTHQUAKE DISASTER RELIEF AND REHABILITATION IN THE PHILIPPINES.

THE LOAN WILL BE USED TO FINANCE IMPORTATION OF EQUIPMENT FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF AREAS DEVASTATED BY THE STRONG JULY 16 EARTHQUAKE.

JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO THE PHILIPPINES TOSHIO GOTO AND PHILIPPINE FOREIGN AFFAIRS SECRETARY RAUL MANGLAPUS SIGNED THE OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS ON THE LOAN AT THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT BUILDING.

GOTO SAID THE LOAN ''SEEKS TO HELP EASE THE BURDEN OF THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT, AND ESPECIALLY TO ALLEVIATE ITS BALANCE-OF-PAYMENT DIFFICULTIES AND BUDGETARY DEFICITS.''

HE SAID THE LOAN WILL BE VERY QUICKLY DISBURSED, WITH THE ENTIRE AMOUNT EXPECTED TO BE RELEASED BEFORE THE END OF THIS YEAR, AND THAT EXPENSES INCURRED BEFORE THE LOAN WAS SIGNED CAN BE CHARGED AGAINST IT.

THE LOAN CARRIES AN INTEREST RATE OF 2.7 PERCENT PER YEAR AND A REPAYMENT PERIOD OF 30 YEARS.

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#90353k0064 12/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 19) KYODO - LITHUANIAN PRIME MINISTER KAZIMERA PRUNSKIENE WILL PAY A THREE-DAY UNOFFICIAL VISIT TO JAPAN FROM FRIDAY, SPONSORS OF HER VISIT SAID WEDNESDAY.

PRUNSKIENE WILL BE MEETING WITH MEMBERS OF JAPAN'S BUSINESS AND BANKING COMMUNITY DURING HER BRIEF STAY IN TOKYO, SAID AN OFFICIAL OF WACO CORP., A JAPANESE TRADING COMPANY THAT INVITED THE LEADER OF THE BREAKAWAY SOVIET REPUBLIC.

FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED NO REQUEST FROM LITHUANIAN REPRESENTATIVES FOR A MEETING WITH JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, BUT WOULD GIVE IT CONSIDERATION IF A REQUEST WAS RECEIVED.

PRUNSKIENE WILL BE THE FIRST LEADER FROM ONE OF THE THREE REBELLIOUS BALTIC REPUBLICS TO VISIT JAPAN.

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#90353k0065 12/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 19) KYODO - YUTAKA KUME, PRESIDENT OF NISSAN MOTOR CO., SAID WEDNESDAY HE IS CONSIDERING EQUITY PARTICIPATION IN NISSAN UK, THE BRITISH

DISTRIBUTOR OF NISSAN CARS IN BRITAIN.

KUME CONFIRMED RECENT REPORTS THAT NISSAN UK OFFERED TO BE PURCHASED BY THE JAPANESE AUTOMAKER.

NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE ON THE MATTER YET, HE SAID. HE SAID HE IS CONSIDERING A CAPITAL TIEUP BETWEEN NISSAN AND NISSAN UK, THE SOLE AGENT FOR DISTRIBUTION OF NISSAN CARS IN BRITAIN.

THE TWO COMPANIES HAVE NO CAPITAL AFFILIATION CURRENTLY.

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#90353k0073 12/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 19) KYODO - NBC INTERNATIONAL (NBCI), THE OVERSEAS OPERATION OF THE U.S. TELEVISION NETWORK, AND TWO JAPANESE FIRMS ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A JOINT VENTURE TO PROVIDE VISUAL SOFTWARE.

THE TWO JAPANESE PARTNERS ARE MITSUI AND CO., A MAJOR TRADING HOUSE, AND TELEVISION TOKYO CHANNEL 12, LTD, ONE OF FIVE COMMERCIAL STATIONS IN TOKYO.

THE THREE PARTNERS SAID THE NEW FIRM, NNBC, TO BE ESTABLISHED IN TOKYO, WILL ACQUIRE THE SOLE RIGHTS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF NBC PROGRAMS IN JAPAN.

IT IS THE FIRST JOINT VENTURE IN JAPAN BETWEEN MAJOR U.S. AND JAPANESE TELEVISION NETWORKS.

THE THREE FIRMS WILL ALSO COOPERATE IN PRODUCING TV PROGRAMS, EXCEPT FOR NEWS BROADCASTS AND NEWS MATERIALS.

THE JOINT VENTURE, TO BE CAPITALIZED AT 150 MILLION YEN, WILL BE 50 PERCENT OWNED BY NBCI, 30 PERCENT BY MITSUI, AND 20 PERCENT BY TELEVISION TOKYO.

NBC SIGNED A CONTRACT WITH NIPPON TELEVISION NETWORK CORP. ON MONDAY ON THE EXCHANGE OF NEWS PROGRAMS AND MATERIALS BETWEEN THEM.

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#90353k0076 12/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 19) KYODO - THE GOVERNMENT DECIDED WEDNESDAY TO BUDGET 22.7 TRILLION YEN FOR THE FISCAL 1991-1995 DEFENSE SPENDING PROGRAM, THE LOWEST RATE OF EXPANSION SINCE THE MID-TERM DEFENSE PLANS WERE LAUNCHED IN 1976.

THE PLAN, THE FIRST SINCE THE DECLINE OF THE COLD WAR, REPRESENTS AN AVERAGE ANNUAL INCREASE IN DEFENSE OUTLAY OF 2.9 PERCENT, HALF OF THE 5.4 PERCENT ANNUAL RATE OF INCREASE IN THE PREVIOUS FIVE-YEAR PLAN.

THE PROGRAM IS TO BE FORMALLY APPROVED BY THE CABINET ON THURSDAY AND WILL BE

REVIEWED AFTER THREE YEARS.

MAJOR PURCHASES INCLUDE FOUR AWACS (AIRBORNE WARNING AND CONTROL SYSTEM) PLANES, AND MULTIPLE LAUNCH ROCKET SYSTEMS.

THE SLOWER GROWTH RATE REFLECTS THE DECLINE IN COLD WAR TENSIONS IN THE REGION AND THE ACHIEVEMENT OF GOALS SET FORTH IN THE 1976 NATIONAL DEFENSE PROGRAM OUTLINE, GOVERNMENT SOURCES SAID.

THE CABINET IN ITS FIRST OFFICIAL REVISION IN 14 YEARS OF AN ANALYSIS OF INTERNATIONAL SECURITY THREATS TO JAPAN ACKNOWLEDGED WEDNESDAY THAT REDUCED SUPERPOWER TENSIONS ARE BEGINNING TO HAVE A POSITIVE EFFECT IN ASIA.

HOWEVER, THE NEW ASSESSMENT, APPROVED BY A CABINET DECISION, SAID THAT CONFLICTS DUE TO RELIGIOUS AND ETHNIC STRIFE, TERRITORIAL DISPUTES AND NATIONALISM REMAIN A THREAT TO STABILITY AND THAT JAPAN SHOULD CONTINUE A ''MODERATE'' BUILD-UP IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 1976 DESIGN.

DEFENSE AGENCY CHIEF YOZO ISHIKAWA TOLD REPORTERS THAT THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION HAS NOT CHANGED SUFFICIENTLY TO MERIT A COMPLETE REVISION OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE PROGRAM OUTLINE, WHICH HAS GUIDED DEFENSE EXPENDITURE FOR THE PAST 14 YEARS. ;;MORE NNNN R142 R CA15 R :2ND LEAD DEFENSE 2 TOKYO:

''THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION ARE NOT NECESSARILY IN AGREEMENT ON ALL MILITARY AND INTERNATIONAL ISSUES,'' HE SAID AFTER ATTENDING A CABINET MEETING HELD TO APPROVE THE NEW ASSESSMENT OF INTERNATIONAL SECURITY.

THE GOVERNMENT'S POSITION PAPER ON DEFENSE SAID THE LIKELIHOOD OF A MAJOR CONFLICT HAS DECREASED.

''THE SITUATION IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION IS MORE COMPLEX THAN IN EUROPE, BUT THE CHANGE IN U.S.-SOVIET RELATIONS IS BEGINNING TO HAVE AN IMPACT...BY REDUCING TENSIONS,'' THE DOCUMENT SAID.

THE TWO-PAGE DOCUMENT CALLED FOR GREATER CONFIDENCE IN JAPAN'S SECURITY PACT WITH THE UNITED STATES, WHICH IT SAID WOULD CONTINUE TO PLAY AN IMPORTANT A ROLE IN MAINTAINING REGIONAL STABILITY DESPITE THE CHANGES IN THE WORLD ORDER.

WHILE THE SIZE OF THE SOVIET FAR EAST FORCE IS BEING REDUCED, ITS CAPABILITIES ARE BEING UPGRADED, THE DOCUMENT SAID.

''THE RELATIONS AMONG THE U.S., THE SOVIET UNION, CHINA AND JAPAN ARE BECOMING EVEN MORE IMPORTANT TO MAINTAINING PEACE AND STABILITY IN THE REGION,'' IT NOTED. SITUATION.''

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#90353k0079 12/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 19) KYODO - A SENIOR OFFICIAL OF THE RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP) URGED THE GOVERNMENT WEDNESDAY TO MAKE A POSITIVE RESPONSE TO A COMPROMISE PROPOSAL ON FARM TRADE AT THE URUGUAY ROUND OF MULTINATIONAL TRADE TALKS.

TOSHIO YAMAGUCHI, HEAD OF THE LDP'S ECONOMIC POLICY COORDINATING PANEL, SAID IN AN INTERVIEW WITH KYODO NEWS SERVICE THAT ''A ZERO RESPONSE'' BY JAPAN TO THE PROPOSAL, WHICH CALLS FOR A PARTIAL OPENING OF RICE MARKETS IN PARTICIPATING NATIONS, WOULD DISRUPT INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER.

THE PROPOSAL BY MATS HELLSTROM, SWEDISH AGRICULTURE MINISTER AND CHAIRMAN OF THE URUGUAY ROUND'S FARM NEGOTIATION GROUP, CALLED FOR ''MINIMUM ACCESS'' TO THE RICE MARKETS OF PARTICIPATING NATIONS, OR IMPORTS OF ABOUT 5 PERCENT OF THEIR DOMESTIC RICE CONSUMPTION.

THE ISSUE WILL BE DISCUSSED IN A RESUMED ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS EARLY NEXT YEAR.

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#90353k0084 12/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 19) KYODO - JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES WILL DISCUSS JAPAN'S PUBLIC SPENDING GROWTH FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR IN THE SECOND ROUND OF AN SII FOLLOW-UP MEETING ON THE BILATERAL TRADE TALKS, GOVERNMENT SOURCES SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE SOURCES SAID THAT ALSO ON THE AGENDA ARE JAPAN'S LAND TAX REFORMS AND SURCHARGE HIKE ON CARTELS, THE MAIN ISSUES AT THE STRUCTURAL IMPEDIMENTS INITIATIVE (SII) TALKS WHICH CONCLUDED LAST JUNE.

THEY SAID THE U.S. WILL SHOW SPECIAL INTEREST IN WHETHER JAPAN WILL MAKE SUFFICIENT COMMITMENT TO PUBLIC SPENDING IN ITS BUDGET FOR FISCAL 1991, STARTING NEXT APRIL.

IN A FINAL AGREEMENT ON THE SII, JAPAN PLEDGED TO EARMARK 430 TRILLION YEN FOR PUBLIC WORKS SPENDING OVER THE NEXT 10 YEARS.

TO MEET THE TARGET, JAPAN NEEDS TO EXPAND ITS INVESTMENT BY 6.3 PERCENT PER ANNUM OVER THE PERIOD.

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#90353k0089 12/19/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 19) KYODO - SOVIET DEFENSE MINISTER MARSHAL DMITRI YAZOV SAID WEDNESDAY THE SOVIET UNION WILL NOT GIVE UP THE FOUR ISLANDS IN THE NORTHERN PACIFIC IT SEIZED FROM JAPAN AT THE END OF WORLD WAR II.

''THESE ARE NOT JAPANESE ISLANDS. THERE IS NO WAY WE WILL RETURN THE TERRITORIES,'' YAZOV TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE IN MOSCOW.

YAZOV WAS REFERRING TO THE DISPUTED NORTHERN TERRITORIES, A CLUSTER OF FOUR SMALL ISLANDS OFF EASTERN HOKKAIDO THE SOVIETS HAVE OCCUPIED SINCE THE END OF THE WAR.

JAPAN HAS DEMANDED THAT MOSCOW RETURN THE ISLANDS BEFORE IT CONCLUDES A PEACE TREATY WITH THE SOVIET UNION, A BOTTLENECK WHICH HAS HELD UP BILATERAL TIES AND JAPANESE ECONOMIC AID TO MOSCOW.

''IF THE JAPANESE CALL (THESE ISLANDS) NORTHERN TERRITORIES, WE SHALL THINK THEM AS OUR SOUTHERN TERRITORIES,'' HE SAID.

YAZOV ALSO SAID THE SOVIET UNION HAS DEPLOYED AN ARMY DIVISION ON THE ISLANDS FOR DEFENSE PURPOSES.

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#90353m0001 12/19/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 19) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT reports that housing starts for November were 1.129 million units up 9.3% from October and much higher than analysts' expectations. Analysts estimated that starts would barely hit the one million mark which would be a decline from October's report of 1,040,000 units. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT also reports that third-quarter GNP has been revised downward from up 1.7% to up 1.4%.

Stocks rally in Tokyo where the Nikkei moves up 453 points, a gain of nearly two percent. ... Stocks are also higher in London with the FTSE up 10 points in early afternoon trading. ... U.S. stocks trading overseas are flat to only slightly higher. ... Bonds slip after yesterday's big gains - the long yield is back up to 8.10%. ... The dollar rebounds strongly in overnight trading. ... Crude oil prices are slightly higher - Brent North Sea is up 12 cents to $26.22. ... The FEDERAL RESERVE cuts the discount rate to 6.5%. ... CITICORP says it will eliminate 8,000 jobs, cut dividends and increase reserves to cover bad real estate and other problem loans. ... The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT says the merchandise trade deficit was $11.6 billion in October, the highest level in 32 months. ... Art auctioneer CHRISTIE'S INTERNATIONAL plans to cut 146 jobs and freeze senior staff salaries. ... NORWEST BANK in Minneapolis announces that it is lowering its prime rate to 9.75% from 10%.

FROM THE BULLS:

"From January 3rd, I see just an up market," says ROBERT NICHOLSON of Miami's NICHOLSON GROUP. "With interest rates coming down ... we think investors should get into interest sensitive stocks or high quality bonds." The period around the January 15 Mideast deadline could see some very rough days, says Nicholson, but he thinks the market will ride it out and go on to higher numbers. (FNN "Marketwatch P.M.", 12/18)

STOCK MARKET:

"The discount rate cut was the big news of the day," says HILDEGARDE ZAGORSKI at PRUDENTIAL-BACHE. "The rally will continue, provided we don't get something horrible out of the Middle East." ("USA Today", 12/19)

While the discount cut should be positive for the stock market, "many traders will see the situation as a selling opportunity, feeling that all the good news is out," says MICHAEL METZ of OPPENHEIMER. He says the market has hit a short-term top, and expects the market to trade between 2640 and 2540, but "there could be some thrills with this week's expiration of futures and options. Longer-term, he thinks the market will jump to 2750 in early next year, but, for the year, will trade within the same range as 1990. ("Investor's Daily", 12/19)

"The stock market is going to need continued infusions of good news, not just this one move [by the Fed]," says MERRILL LYNCH's chief investment strategist CHARLES CLOUGH. "Stocks are still going to have to deal with an economy that's unwinding, unemployment that's picking up and probably a longer period of earnings weakness than most people think." Clough says discount rate moves are largely symbolic and he will be watching to see if the Fed follows up by aggressively adding reserves to the banking system. (CNN "Business Morning", 12/19)

"When you get to the point in a recession when the Fed is aggressively attempting to liquify the banking system, normally the stock and bond markets do very well," says WARREN SHAW, managing director at CHANCELLOR CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. (WSJ, 12/19)

"I don't know if [the discount rate cut] means unrelenting joy for the Dow Jones industrial average," says LARRY WACHTEL of PRUDENTIAL- BACHE. "Remember the reason we're getting these goodies is because the economy is in recession." ("Investor's Daily", 12/19)

"The market wanted to go higher all day" Tuesday, says STEVE BLISS, head of OTC trading for MABON NUGENT & COMPANY. "The Fed gave it the impetus." (WSJ, 12,19)

STOCK TIPS:

"It won't be enough," DUFF & PHELPS bank analyst CLAIRE PERCARPIO says of CITICORP's austerity moves. "Other steps need to be taken." GREGORY ROOT, president of THOMSON BANKWATCH INC., says a merger "is probably the right decision for a couple of the banks in New York. and right now New York, I suspect, is a little bit sensitive to any kind of major job cuts." ("USA Today", 12/19 and CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 12/18)

JOHN G. KINNARD & CO. recommends stock in DAHLBERG INC., a Minneapolis-based maker of hearing aids and operator of retail locations selling its products. The brokerage says the company's earnings should grow 16% next year. ("USA Today", 12/19)

ROBERT NICHOLSON of Miami's NICHOLSON GROUP likes TEXAS UTILITIES, DOMINION RESOURCES, BANK AMERICA, PRIMERICA, and FANNIE MAE. Nicholson also recommends zero coupon bonds with 25-30 year maturities. He suggests that investors concerned about the Mideast and the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline buy index puts to hedge their portfolios. (FNN "Marketwatch P.M.", 12/18)

ORACLE SYSTEMS is in the "Company Spotlight" this morning in "USA Today." "Oracle may have stopped its hemorrhaging, but it still has a lot of work to do," says analyst TIM McCOLLUM at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. He says the stock's low price makes it a "reasonable risk." BRUCE LUPATKIN at HAMBRECHT & QUIST says of the company: "The problem is management, management, management." ("USA Today", 12/19)

"It's sort of like cream moving to the top of the milk bottle," FIRST BOSTON analyst CHARLES WOLF says of AST RESEARCH, which jumped 5 1/2 to 32 yesterday after a strong earnings forecast. He has been recommending the stock for nine months and predicts it will emerge as a big player in the personal computer industry. A laptop to be introduced next year "will blow the socks off the competition," says Wolf. ("USA Today", 12/19)

While AST RESEARCH jumped 5 1/2 yesterday to a new high of 32, "there's still [upside potential] left in the stock," according to WALTER WINNITZKI of BROWN BROTHERS HARRIMAN & CO. But he says declining margins could hurt the stock next year. "You probably don't want to own the stock in the June quarter." ("Investor's Daily", 12/19)

"We're suggesting a [preference] toward bonds, but stay with some utilities and growth stocks," says MERRILL LYNCH's chief investment strategist CHARLES CLOUGH this morning in New York. He would look for high yielding utilities. "Notice how yields are beginning to fall in other sectors of the market ... that means high yielding utilities become a little bit of a shortage here [and] that secondary growth stocks are probably the areas we would look most closely at." Avoid bank stocks, warns Clough. (CNN "Business Morning", 12/19)

#90353m0002 12/19/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys
FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 19) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

The dollar fell quickly yesterday afternoon with the announcement that the Federal Reserve would cut the discount rate to 6.5% from 7%. Because the Fed dropped the news into a calm, highly illiquid market, it's hard to gauge how sharp a sell-off the dollar will ultimately suffer, says AL SHEALY, foreign exchange manager at UNION BANK OF SWITZERLAND in New York. "It's certainly bearish news for the dollar," but the dollar has withstood bearish news in the past. (WSJ, 12/19)

"In a normal market [the drop in the dollar in response to the Fed ease] would have been a lot bigger," says WALTER SIMON of BANK JULIUS BAER & CO. The Persian Gulf crisis cushioned the dollar, according to many analysts. As CHRIS MENDELL of SECURITY PACIFIC NATIONAL BANK points out, "The market's response has been stronger buying of marks instead of selling dollars." ("Investor's Daily", 12/19)

By cutting the discount the discount rate to 6.5% from 7%, "the FED wants to derive the maximum benefit and action from the action that they've taken," says MONTE GORDON at DREYFUS CORP. "Everything they do at this particular point is laden with symbolism. What the Fed is telling you is: 'We are now clearly faced in the direction of ease and what we are going to try to do is damage control.' ... If you're going to do that, you don't wait for the Indians to come over the hill. The moment you hear the sounds, you put the wagons in a circle. ... You're looking at something you won't see effects from for some weeks or months. Monetary policy does not act that swiftly. direction of ease. ... Now the only question is how much lower do they have to go in order to achieve the affect they want." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/18)

The Fed "waited months too long - until we were well into the recession - but we applaud them for finally taking the action," says U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE chief economist RICHARD RAHN. But he warned that the Fed should not go "full throttle" in its fight against recession. "If you go too far, then people will look at future inflationary expectations." ("Investor's Daily", 12/19)

"The FED recognizes we're in a significant recession," says JAMES ANNABLE at FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO. "They need to lower interest rates and to lower them noisily. This was a cymbal crash." ("USA Today", 12/19)

H. ERICH HEINEMANN, chief economist for LADENBURG, THALMANN & COMPANY, says the easing of the discount rate was an indication the FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD CHAIRMAN ALAN GREENSPAN "belatedly recognized that the economy is in a serious recession and he better do something about it." He says "the move will

trigger a cut in the prime rate probably at once, and it will also signal that the Fed presumably will get around to putting some money into the banking system in the weeks ahead." (NYT, 12/19)

"Today's action was sort of dramatizing what we're going to see in the fed funds rate area," says NORTHERN TRUST chief economist ROBERT DEDERICK. He looks for the fed funds rate to drop 25 basis points. "I think the Fed was trying to announce, make it clear, that it was now aggressively trying to fight the recession." (CNN "Moneyline", 12/18)

The Fed moves of the past two weeks suggests "that they have quickened their pace of easing," says MICHAEL MORAN, an economist at DAIWA SECURITIES. Moves in the discount rate have little direct effect on the economy, but are used by the Fed to send loud and clear signals. "Symbolism is important," says Mr. Moran. "This will be on the front pages rather than the credit columns. It will be on the evening news. It will be seen by individuals and small-business people who might not otherwise know [what the Fed is doing]. It will be a boost to confidence." (WSJ, 12/19)

"With all due respect to stock market analysts, the discount rate is really symbolic," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "It's not very important. What is important is if it's followed up by an aggressive move by the FEDERAL RESERVE to increase the monetary aggregates, that is to increase bank reserves and really make the money supply grow. If it is a prelude to that, then it will work [to stimulate the economy] If not, it won't work." In any case, Wolman says it is clear the Fed is on the path to further easing if necessary. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/18)

"I wouldn't be surprised at all if the prime is cut right away," says IRWIN KELLNER, chief economist at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER BANK in New York. (WSJ, 12/19)

"Banks now have the room to drop the prime a half-point," says ROBERT HEADY, publisher of "Bank Rate Monitor" newsletter. "If they come up with only a quarter-point drop they're shorting the consumer." ("USA Today", 12/19)

With the discount rate being lowered, "maybe now the prime will come down, although I think the banks will try to delay that," says FIRST BOSTON's ALBERT WOJNILOWER. "Within a month or so, all sorts of interest rates will be lower." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/18)

"Price cuts have been necessary to encourage consumer buying," and have offset other inflationary pressures, says DOUGLAS LEE of COUNTY NATWEST. But as a result, he says it is "fair to assume that retail margins are going to continue to be under pressure." ("Investor's Daily", 12/19)

ROBERT HEISTERBERG of ALLIANCE CAPITAL was not surprised that the Fed eased, but "the surprise was that it was done on the day of the Federal Open Market

Committee meeting." He says the 50 basis point cut is "a very strong" and "symbolic" statement. He says that the move will lead to "some recovery" by the second half of 1991. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/18)

"The FED means business in trying to prop up the system," says WILLIAM CORNELIUSON, head of STRONG/CORNELIUSON CAPITAL MANAGEMENT. "The probabilities are rates will work their way lower." He has been bullish on long-term bonds for some time, and remains so. He has no money in stocks since the first week of August, but it is back up to 12% now -- mostly utilities bought to lock up yield in anticipation of falling interest rates. ("USA Today", 12/19)

"The bond market has behaved quite well recently," says LYLE GRAMLEY of the MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION. He says that many in the bond market were afraid the Fed would "throw caution to the wind," and lower rates too quickly. "That was a concern earlier at the Fed, I think, when the bond market was in a state of great turmoil." ("Investor's Daily", 12/19)

THE ECONOMY:

"The FEDERAL RESERVE is very much acknowledging the weakness in the economy," says HENRY KAUFMAN, president of HENRY KAUFMAN & CO. "There are tremendous impediments to American economic recovery in the weeks and months ahead due to the financial situation." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/18)

The Fed move is psychologically important, says HUGH JOHNSON, chief investment officer at FIRST ALBANY CORP. "It sends a loud and clear message to the financial markets and to consumers that the Federal Reserve is deeply concerned about the current state of the economy and willing to do something about it." (WSJ, 12/19)

"The debate is over within the Federal Reserve," says ROBERT DiCLEMENTE, an economist at SALOMON BROTHERS. "Their action is a clarion call that they want rates down and they want people to borrow and spend." (NYT,)12/19

ALLEN SINAI at the BOSTON CO. dismisses the 12.2% increase in imports in yesterday's trade report as "an aberration" that will either be revised downward in coming months or be "slowly eroded" as unsold goods get stuck in the pipeline. That import increase overwhelmed an 8.6% increase in exports to a $34.8 billion figure that is the highest ever. Sinai says the strong export showing provides "some cushion" for the slumping U.S. economy. ROGER BRIMMER at DRI/McGRAW HILL says of the strong export showing: "The world's economic pie is growing and we are getting a larger slice of it." ("The Washington Post", 12/19)

BRIAN HORRIGAN, director of long-term forecasting for the WEFA GROUP, says he hopes the October trade deficit figure will prove to be an aberration. "A number that big is terrible news for the economy," he says. "The good part is that exports went up as well." (WSJ, 12/19)

WILLIAM ARCHEY, a vice president of the UNITED STATES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, says the October trade figures might be a fluke, but added that "if they represent a trend, it is a troubling one as it would represent a major inflationary problem for the United States economy." (NYT, 12/19)

The fairly low CPI number "seems to suggest that as the economy is losing momentum, it's beginning to drag the inflation rate lower," says WILLIAM SULLIVAN of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. "This slowdown in economic activity is having one positive influence." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/18)

The jump in the trade gap was fueled by "a very large increase in the price of oil in October," says NORMAN MAINS of BATEMAN EICHLER. "That more than offset the lower quantity of oil," and led to a gain in the dollar value, if not the actual amount, of imported goods. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/18)

"It's not a fluke. The [inflation] news is for real," says economist WILLIAM HUMMER at WAYNE HUMMER CO. ("USA Today", 12/19)

"We can't lay the inflation fears entirely to rest," says THOMAS SYNNOTT, chief economist for U.S. TRUST CO. "Inflation still continues at a very high rate" in some sectors, says Synnott. ("Nightly Business Report", 12/18)

"We really had a very sharp slowdown in inflation, excluding oil prices," says MICHAEL EVANS of EVANS ECONOMICS. He says those numbers are very positive because, "many people were concerned that higher oil prices would spill over into other types of inflation and that simply has not happened." (CNN "Moneyline", 12/18)

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#90353p4545 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - All Nippon Airways Co. Ltd. (ANA) announced today that it will order midsized aircraft from both Boeing and Airbus. The new aircraft will replace ANA's Lockheed 1011 Tristars, the capacity of which is between ANA's B747s and B767s.

ANA will purchase 25 B777 airliners from Boeing -- 15 firm orders and 10 options -- to use on domestic Japan routes. From Airbus, ANA will order 10 A340 aircraft -- five firm orders and five options -- for use on international routes. The price per plane for both types engines and other related equipment could bring the value of the total package to Y750 billion (US$5.8 billion). ANA will begin taking delivery of the B777s in 1995 and the A340s in 1996.

Today's announcement is the latest step in a program of vigorous investment in new aircraft at ANA. Management is seeking to position the airline to take full advantage of the growth in demand that is expected to result from the

completion of three major airport projects underway in Japan, and to serve the fast-expanding network of international routes that ANA is building.

The announcement follows months of study by an ANA selection committee headed by senior executive vice president Keisuke Inui. Starting last spring, ANA gave thorough consideration to a number of candidate aircraft, including McDonnell Douglas's MD-11 and Airbus's A330, in addition to the B777 and A340.

In selecting the B777, ANA was attracted to the extensive new technology Boeing has incorporated into the plane, especially in connection with enhancing safety. "Fly-by-wire" is among the technological advances that enhance the operability of the new B777, while other improvements have increased reliability and maintainability of the aircraft and its systems. The plane's wide body maximizes comfort for passengers, and offers excellent economy in terms of operating costs per seat kilometer. ANA's B777s will seat about 400 passengers -- a size that fills the gap ideally between the B747s and B767s that they will join on ANA's domestic routes.

The A340, meanwhile, was the aircraft best suited to long- distance operations. It provides ANA with an effective means of serving long-distance international routes where demand does not warrant the larger capacity of the B747. With its four engines, the A340 is exempt from the Extended Twin Engine Operations (ETOPS) rule, which limits the long-distance flight time of twin-engine planes. In addition, the aircraft shares a number of operational features, such as side-stick control, with Airbus's 320 model, which ANA will begin putting into service in March 1991.

ANA will decide later which engines to use on the new aircraft. Candidates include CFM International's CFM56-5 for the A340, and General Electric's GE90-B3, Pratt & Whitney's PW4073 and Rolls Royce's Trent 871 for the B777.

In 1989, ANA carried almost 30 million passengers, making it the world's eighth largest airline and the largest carrier in Japan. ANA serves 17 destinations outside Japan and 29 destinations within Japan. In addition to its Los Angeles and Washington D.C. flights, the airline will be launching nonstop services between New York and Tokyo in March 1991, and extending its Tokyo-Washington flights to Orlando in a code-share arrangement early in 1991. Future plans call for services to Singapore, Honolulu, San Francisco, Shanghai, Manila, Barcelona and Frankfurt.

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#90353p4547 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Plaza Commerce Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: PLZA) declared a cash dividend in the amount of $.15 to

shareholders at their meeting of Dec. 18, 1990, stated Jack W. Conner, president and chief executive officer, today. The $.15 per share cash dividend is to be paid to shareholders of record as of Dec. 28, 1990, on Jan. 3, 1991.

Plaza Commerce Bancorp is the holding company for Plaza Bank of Commerce. The company announced net income of $2,475,000 for the third quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $2,250,000 for the third quarter of 1989, an increase of $225,000, or 10 percent. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, earnings were $6,905,000, compared with $6,260,000 for the same period in 1989 an increase of $645,000, or 10 percent. Total assets reached $522 million at Sept. 30, 1990, compared with $481 million at Sept. 30, 1989, an increase of 9 percent.

In January 1990 the company's shareholders approved the merger with Comerica Incorporated, Detroit. It is anticipated that the merger, subject to final regulatory approval, will be consummated in early January 1991.

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#90353p4569 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WATSONVILLE, CA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Granite Construction Inc. (NASDAQ: GCCO) announced today that it has been awarded an $18.4 million contract by the California Department of Transportation to reconstruct a two-mile segment of Highway 101 in San Jose. The company reported it was the apparent low bidder on the project earlier this month.

The contract calls for the construction of one additional lane in each direction from Trimble Road to Interstate 880 and a new eight-lane, cast-in-place concrete bridge at Brokaw Road. The scope of the work also includes widening two existing structures at North First Street and the Guadalupe River from six lanes to eight. Construction is scheduled to start in January and take approximately two and one-half years to complete.

Granite is a heavy civil contractor engaged in the construction of dams, highways, airports, tunnels and other infrastructure-related projects. The company's stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol GCCO.

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#90353p4572 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - An Atlanta physician appears to have found a promising new treatment for a little-understood medical condition that claims the lives of more than 7,000 infants annually.

Pediatric neurologist Francis Buda, a staff physician at Georgia Baptist Medical Center, reports excellent success in treating a number of infants at risk for Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) with high levels of phenobarbital a drug commonly used to treat seizures.

Buda initially used high levels of the drug -- equivalent to adult dosages -- on four infants under the age of one month who were experiencing numerous lapses in breathing. This condition, known as infant sleep apnea, can lead to SIDS or serious brain damage if left untreated.

"These children were prime candidates for SIDS," Buda said. "They had had acute, life-threatening, documented apnea, and showed abnormalities on their EEG tests. Had they been left untreated, the chances are good they would have continued to have significant episodes of apnea because they had had them up to that time."

Instead, the episodes stopped altogether, and after six months the infants were taken off the drug. None of the infants have had any problems since.

In recent months, Buda has treated 10 more high-risk infants with phenobarbital, all with similar success.

The key to the high success rate, the neurologist believes, is maintaining a high blood level of phenobarbital. Although the medication had previously been tried at much lower levels in high-risk infants, it had never been used in such large dosages because of the fear that it would reduce heart and respiratory rates.

"There had been concern in the past that a barbiturate would depress respiration," Buda noted. "In fact, I've shown just the opposite.

"The high phenobarbital level not only suppressed the infants' apnea, it also failed to produce any significant side effects," Buda said. "There was no sleepiness and no eating difficulties associated with the treatment, as might have been expected," the doctor said.

Buda cautioned that his research is still preliminary, and more data is needed to confirm early results. But he called the initial indication extremely encouraging. "I don't want people to think this is a miracle cure, but I think it is certainly significant," he said. "The idea that research in this area is being conducted is important for people to know."

Thus far, the physician's findings have appeared before the scientific community in the form of an academic paper presented last summer to the American Sleep Disorders Association. He plans to do a controlled study next, then publish those findings in a medical journal.

Buda's findings may be preliminary in terms of the scientific method, but to hundreds of parents of SIDS at-risk infants, the treatment offers a welcome ray of hope.

Despite advances in high-tech monitoring equipment in recent years, the incidence of SIDS in the population has remained steady. While the exact cause of the disease remains unknown, two out of every 1,000 babies born each year in the U.S. still die of SIDS. An unknown number of others suffer brain damage and cardiovascular problems resulting from "near-miss attacks." The underlying problem -- sleep apnea -- occurs primarily in infants between the ages of birth and six months. It is rarely seen in children beyond the age of six months and "exceedingly rare" after 12 months, Buda said.

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#90353p4573 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Brian Grazer, co-chief executive officer of Imagine Films Entertainment, Inc. (NASDAQ: IFEI, IFEIU, IFEIW), announced today that he intends to sell up to 50,000 shares of Imagine's common stock for personal financial planning purposes. The number of shares which may be sold will constitute less than 4 percent of the 1,566,980 shares of stock he currently holds and represents less than 1 percent of the company's outstanding stock. This announcement does not constitute an offer to sell securities or a solicitation of an offer to buy.

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#90353p4576 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MALVERN, PA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Felix Zandman, chairman and chief executive officer of Vishay Intertechnology Inc. (NYSE: VSH), announced today that an asset acquisition agreement has been signed with SFE Technologies (NASDAQ: SFEM) covering the purchase of substantially all of the operating assets of West-Cap Arizona, a subsidiary of SFE.

Sales of West-Cap for 1990 were approximately $6 million. Zandman stated, "The agreement covers substantially all of the assets of West-Cap Arizona's domestic inductor and wound film capacitor manufacturing businesses as well as 100 percent of the shares of West-Cap Arizona de Mexico, its Nogales, Sonora, Mexico manufacturing facility."

Zandman added, "Inductors are a passive component used to control alternating currents and voltage in a number of applications, in conjunction with resistors and capacitors. Inductors represent a total market of approximately

$140 million in the U.S. and Western Europe. The West-Cap acquisition strengthens Vishay's current position as a major supplier of axial lead inductors in this market."

Vishay Intertechnology Inc. is a leading U.S. and European producer of a wide range of electronic resistors and resistive sensors. It is also a major producer of other types of passive electronic components. The company's products are used in a broad range of industries.

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#90353p4577 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - C&S/Sovran Corp. (NYSE: CVN) today announced that it expects earnings for the year to be approximately $210 million, or $1.60 per common share, after making a provision to the loan loss reserve of $225-$250 million in the fourth quarter.

The reserve is being strengthened primarily as a result of deteriorating conditions in the Washington, D.C., real estate market and a rigorous internal credit examination just completed.

The company expects earnings for the full year 1990 to be approximately $1.60 per common share, although the decision to increase the reserve for loan losses eliminates earnings for the fourth quarter.

At Sept. 30, common shareholders' equity totaled $3.0 billion, representing 5.9 percent of assets, and the total risk-based capital ratio was 9.93 percent. These numbers are expected to be substantially the same at year end.

The ratio of the reserve for loan losses to period-end loans will be approximately 1.90 percent at Dec. 31, 1990, depending upon the final provision and other factors. The reserve for loan losses is expected to equal 100 percent to 110 percent of total nonperforming loans. The level of nonperforming assets to total loans and other real estate owned will slightly exceed 2 percent or $700 million at Dec. 31. If a similar increase in nonperforming assets occurs in the first quarter, this ratio would reach approximately 2.7 percent.

The board of directors also authorized the redemption of all of the company's $125 million outstanding money market preferred stock. After the required notices to investors are completed, C&S/Sovran intends to redeem its $62.5 million Series B issue on Feb. 5, 1991, and its $62.5 million Series A issue on Feb. 26, 1991.

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#90353p4578 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
ROWAYTON, CT (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Baldwin Technology Company, Inc. (AMEX: BLD) announced today that it has repurchased to date 826,056 of its Class A common stock, with the most recent purchase of 432,356 shares, as authorized under its stock repurchase program. The company originally instituted the program early in 1990 and recently expanded the amount authorized under the buyback to $4 million.

Baldwin Technology Company, Inc. is a leading multinational manufacturer of material handling, accessory, control and prepress equipment for the printing industry. For its first quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990, the company had net sales of approximately $47.9 million and net income of approximately $1.5 million. On Dec. 12, 1990 the company has 14,291,241 shares of Class A common stock and 1,994,000 shares of Class B common stock outstanding.

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#90353p4583 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
SECAUCUS, NJ (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Bertolli USA, Inc. chairman Aldo Cecchini, today announced that Bertolli President William C. Monroe has taken on the additional title of chief executive officer. Monroe has served as Bertolli's president and chief operating officer since February 1986.

Under Monroe's direction, Bertolli has established itself as the leader and fastest growing brand in the olive oil category. The company's sales have more than tripled in the past five years and are expected to reach over $80 million in 1990. Bertolli holds a commanding 40 percent share of all olive oil sales in the United States.

Upon his arrival at Bertolli in 1982 as director of sales and marketing, Monroe began applying a number of innovative marketing ideas to breathe life into a product which had never before been marketed as a consumer packaged good.

He spearheaded aggressive public relations and television advertising campaigns to increase consumer awareness about olive oil's health benefits. To capitalize on consumer interest, he expanded Bertolli's distribution from gourmet and ethnic stores to include placement directly on supermarket shelves next to other pourable oils. Behind Monroe, Bertolli changed its packaging from metal tins to clear glass, and introduced an assortment of bottle sizes to encourage consumer trial.

Monroe also brought product innovation to Bertolli. Under his guidance, the company developed Bertolli Extra Light -- the first new olive oil product in 2,000 years -- to satisfy the palates of Americans who were concerned about the taste and aroma of olive oil. For consumers who wanted a heartier olive oil, the company introduced Bertolli Extra Virgin Olive Oil.

Since the introduction of these two products, olive oil consumption in the United States has increased by about 72 percent, and light olive oil and extra virgin olive oil are the two fastest growing segments of the olive oil category.

In 1989, Bertolli initiated testing for a new line of Bertolli olive oil salad dressings, and in May 1990 the company launched Bertolli Olive Oil Spray and introduced another new flavor of olive oil called Robusto.

Prior to working at Bertolli, Monroe was vice president for sales and marketing at American Kitchen Products, and before that, he was national sales manager of General Mills' North Star Division.

Monroe is married and has two children. He and his wife, Evie, reside in Secaucus, N.J.

Bertolli USA, Inc. is a division of S.M.E., one of Italy's largest food companies, active in food manufacturing, retail distribution and restaurants.

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#90353p4586 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Distributed Logic Corp. (NASDAQ: DLOG) today announced the sale of its United States and United Kingdom contract service operations, to Novadyne Computer Systems Inc., in the United States and to Sorbus (United Kingdom) Ltd. in the United Kingdom. Additionally, the company expected that it will report a loss on operations for its fiscal fourth quarter and year, ending Oct. 31, 1990.

The sales of DILOG's field service assets to both companies included all contract service related parts inventory, accounts receivable, maintenance and supplier contracts, tools, equipment and diagnostic licenses.

A spokesman for the company indicated that financial results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ending Oct. 31, 1990, are expected to be released in late January, 1991.

DILOG, headquartered in Anaheim, is a leading supplier of data storage and communications peripheral systems to the computer industry, principally for the Digital Equipment Corp., (NYSE: DEC) Sun Microsystems Inc., (NASDAQ: SUNW)

and IBM Corp markets. The company has major sales and manufacturing facilities in the United States, Canada, Switzerland and the United Kingdom, direct sales offices in Europe and distribution operations in 32 countries around the world.

For further information, contact Thomas R. Anderson Sr., vice president of finance & chief financial officer, DILOG, 1555 S. Sinclair Street, Anaheim, CA 92806. 714-937-5700.

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#90353p4587 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - For the second straight year, Xerox Corporation (NYSE: XRX) has received the Pentastar Award, granted by Chrysler Corp. (NYSE: C) to suppliers who meet the auto manufacturer's highest standards of quality.

The award, established in 1985, is conferred on a select number of companies meeting exacting standards for quality, services delivered, and price competitiveness. Xerox is the sole vendor of copier and duplicator equipment for Chrysler and was recognized in the office products category for the second year.

"We are honored to receive the Pentastar Award," said Thomas F. Adams, vice president, Xerox business systems planning and management process. "At Xerox we define quality as fully meeting customer requirements. It is the stated goal of the Leadership Through Quality process by which we manage the company. Therefore, we place particular value on this award." Xerox was a recipient of the 1989 Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award.

CONTACT: Daniel C. Minchen of Xerox Corporation, (716) 423-3539, or Tom Houston of Chrysler Corporation, (313) 252-8790.

-30- 1304

#90353p4589 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSING, MI (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - After just one year, Oldsmobile officials are calling The Oldsmobile Edge an unqualified success in establishing the division as the No. 1 customer-caring car company.

"By any measure, The Oldsmobile Edge has put us head and shoulders above the competition when it comes to satisfying our customers," said General Motors Vice President and Oldsmobile General Manager J. Michael Losh.

Oldsmobile began the comprehensive customer satisfaction program with the 1990 model year and is continuing it with some enhancements for 1991. The program

features Guaranteed Satisfaction which allows buyers to return their vehicle for any reason within 30 days or 1,500 miles and receive full credit toward the purchase of another Oldsmobile.

It also provides the benefits of GM's 36-month/50,000-mile Bumper-To-Bumper-Plus warranty, and Oldsmobile's 24-hour Roadside Assistance which includes computerized trip routing plus prompt service for any roadside problem during the vehicle's warranty period.

In 1991, the program expands with the Value Rated Edge and Value Rated Edge Plus plans which include nearly new and certain non-GM vehicles purchased through Oldsmobile dealers.

For the 1990 model year, Oldsmobile buyers returned only 1.7 percent of eligible retail vehicles delivered. And nearly half of those were for consumer choice reasons, such as the wrong color or option package.

In surveying each of the owners who returned their vehicle, Oldsmobile officials said that more than 92 percent were either extremely or somewhat satisfied with their replacement vehicle.

"We're finding through these results that buyers legitimately make mistakes in their purchase decision and like the flexibility of being able to return their vehicle," said Losh. "And obviously, when they do receive the vehicle that most closely meets their needs and desires, they're extremely happy with them."

During the 1990 model year, the Oldsmobile Roadside Assistance Center handled 29,602 calls. Of that total, 18,734 or 63.2 percent were for Oldsmobile's extensive trip routing program which gives buyers computerized maps, sightseeing tips along the way and a list of Oldsmobile dealers along the route. Of the remaining 10,868 (36.7 percent) calls, 8,150 or 75 percent were for dead batteries, lockouts or flat tires.

CONTACT: Ross H. Ruehle or Jill Witzenburg of Oldsmobile Division, (517) 377-5660.

-30- 2652

#90353p4590 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

POMPANO BEACH, FL (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Natural Resources Recovery Inc. (NRRI), formerly SMS Group, Inc. (OTC), is pleased to announce its recent name change and the acquisition of Kore Enterprises, Inc., a company which, through a proprietary process, is able to extract microscopic gold from sulfide ores. A pilot plant is in operation in Florida, and preparations are now under way to increase production to commercial levels.

All previously owned subsidiaries of SMS Group, Inc. have been disposed of, and NRRI is devoting all of its efforts and resources to improvement of the

yield of gold and attempts to extract other precious metals found in the ore, such as silver, platinum, rhodium, palladium and iridium. The ores which NRRI is working with contain all of the aforementioned minerals, with gold being currently refined at an extrapolated yield rate of approximately 6 oz. per ton from its existing ore body.

CONTACT: David Jordan of Universal Media, Inc., 305-785-1464, for Natural Resources Recovery Inc.

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#90353p4591 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANA, PA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Herbert Gerhard, president and CEO of National Mine Service Co. (an Anderson Group company), announced that Anderson Mavor Inc. and Morgantown Machine and Hydraulics business will be merged into a new division of National Mine Service Co. known as the Morgantown Machine Division.

The consolidation of Anderson Mavor Inc. and Morgantown Machine, with its six strategically located high quality repair, engineering and manufacturing locations, will provide enhanced support for the world-record-breaking line of Anderson Electra longwall shearing machines.

The new division will be headquartered in Morgantown, W.Va., and will maintain strong sales and technical links with Anderson Longwall, based in Scotland.

T.J. DeWitt remains vice president and general manager of this enlarged division, and reporting to him are C. Robin Ferguson, vice president-sales and marketing; Martin C. Knouse, vice president-operations; and N. Frank Dulin, vice president- engineering and Robert Payne, controller.

Reporting to Ferguson are Bobby Low, sales manager, Western Region, and Bill Branigan, sales manager, Repair Services. Bob Affleck and Jim Cullen will continue in their respective responsibilities for engineering and manufacturing matters associated with the Anderson products.

The Morgantown Machine Division will have facilities in Evans City, Pa.; Lucernemines, Pa.; Morgantown, W.Va.; Beckley, W.Va.; Brookwood, Ala.; New Philadelphia, Ohio; Nashville, Ill.; Helper, Utah; and Rock Springs, Wyo.

John Milnthorp, until recently vice president-finance and administration of Anderson Mavor Inc., has accepted the position of director, Corporate Development and Marketing, reporting to Gerhard.

The National Mine Service Co., Mining and Safety Supply Division, headquartered in Carnegie, Pa., will not be affected by this consolidation.

CONTACT: Herbert Gerhard, president and CEO of National Mine Service Co.,

(412) 349-7100.

-30- 2190
#90353p4596 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Imagine Films Entertainment, Inc. (NASDAQ: IFEI, IFEIU, IFEIW), today reported record revenues and net income for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990. Results for both periods were as follows (all amounts in thousands, except per share data):

Selected Financial Data

Fiscal year ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net revenues	$57,292	$26,732
Net income	$ 3,741	$ 606
Net income per share:		
Primary	$.65	$.12
Fully diluted	$.62	$.12
Fourth quarter ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net revenues	$20,549	$15,751
Net income	$ 1,859	$ 1,471
Net income per share:		
Primary	$.31	$.28
Fully diluted	$.29	$.28

Commenting on these results, Brian Grazer and Ron Howard, co-chief executive officers of Imagine, said, "Fiscal 1990 was much more exciting and financially rewarding than fiscal 1989. Profits and revenues achieved record levels. We were involved in releasing three films, producing four others and developing several promising new projects, three of which are now set for production. We feel we have established a strong position in the increasingly competitive entertainment marketplace.

"The results for fiscal 1990 reflect operating income from our first five motion pictures -- 'The 'Burbs,' 'The Dream Team' and 'Parenthood' (fiscal 1989 releases) and 'Opportunity Knocks' and 'Cry Baby' (fiscal 1990 releases). Also included are production and development revenues earned in connection with 'Problem Child' (fiscal 1990 release), 'Kindergarten Cop' and 'The Doors' (fiscal 1991 releases).

"Among fiscal 1990's three releases, 'Problem Child,' a comedy about a spirited young troublemaker starring John Ritter and Jack Warden, grossed more than $50 million at the domestic box office. A sequel starring John Ritter, 'Problem Child II,' is now in preproduction and is scheduled for a summer 1991 release by Universal Pictures. Also scheduled for 1991 release by Universal Pictures are 'Backdraft,' a Ron Howard-directed film featuring an outstanding cast including Kurt Russell, William Baldwin, Scott Glenn, Robert De Niro, Donald Sutherland, Jennifer Jason Leigh and Rebecca DeMornay; and 'Closetland,' starring Alan Rickman and Madeline Stowe.

"Fiscal 1990 was also a productive year for Imagine Television, L.P., our partnership with MCA. Our production during fiscal 1990 consisted of the pilot and the first five episodes of the NBC prime-time comedy series, 'Parenthood,' a pilot and several weeks of episodes of the syndicated talk show, 'My Talk Show,' and 'Conagher,' a movie produced for Turner Network Television. Shortly after year end, we also completed production of a half-hour comedy pilot for MTV's newly formed HA! The TV Comedy Channel. In addition, the partnership has received a 13-episode commitment from CBS for a half-hour series starring Emmy award-winner Shelley Long and a seven-episode commitment from NBC for an untitled comedy series by Barry Blaustein and David Sheffield (writers of 'Coming To America')."

Imagine Films Entertainment is an independent producer of feature films. It also produces television programming through its partnership with MCA, Inc., Imagine Television, L.P. The company was founded in November 1985 by its co-chief executives, producer Brian Grazer and director Ron Howard, and went public in July 1986.

IMAGINE FILMS ENTERTAINMENT, INC., AND SUBSIDIARIES
Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except per share data)

Periods ended	Quarter		Year	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$20,549	$15,751	$57,292	$26,732
Less: costs and expenses	18,071	14,452	52,592	26,067
Income before share of partnership loss, prov. for income taxes and extraordinary credit	2,478	1,299	4,700	665
Share of partnership loss (A)	(27)	172	(91)	(59)
Income before income taxes and extraordinary credit	2,451	1,471	4,609	606
Provision for income taxes	(843)	(260)	(1,759)	(260)
Inc. bef. extraord. credit	1,608	1,211	2,850	346
Extraordinary credit (B)	251	260	891	260
Net income	$ 1,859	$ 1,471	$ 3,741	$ 606
Per common share: Primary				
Inc. bef. extraord. credit	$0.27	$0.23	$0.51	$0.07
Extraordinary credit (B)	0.04	0.05	0.14	0.05
Net income	$0.31	$0.28	$0.65	$0.12
Fully diluted				
Inc. bef. extraord. credit	$0.25	$0.23	$0.50	$0.07
Extraordinary credit (B)	0.04	0.05	0.12	0.05
Net income	$0.29	$0.28	$0.62	$0.12

(A) -- On March 30, 1988, Imagine entered into a limited partnership with MCA,

Inc., to develop and produce all types of television programming (network, cable, syndicated). Imagine expects that substantially all of its television activities and related costs will be borne by the partnership. The investment in the limited partnership is accounted for under the equity method.

(B) -- Extraordinary credit is due to the utilization of tax loss carryforward for federal and state income tax purposes.

CONTACT: Michael Meltzer, chief financial officer of Imagine Films Entertainment, 213-277-1665; or Diana Brainerd or Christian Plunkett of the Abernathy/MacGregor Group, 212-371-5999, for Imagine Films Entertainment.

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#90353p4598 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir Express will inaugurate new non-stop service from its largest hub at Charlotte, N.C., to Montgomery, Ala., on Feb. 1. Three daily non-stop USAir Express roundtrips will be operated by Henson Aviation, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of USAir Group, Inc. (NYSE: U).

Operated with 37-seat, Boeing deHavilland DASH 8 jet-prop aircraft, the flights will depart Charlotte at 10 a.m., 1:20 p.m. and 8:55 p.m., arriving Montgomery at 10:55 a.m., 2:15 p.m. and 9:50 p.m. (Flight times reflect time zone differences).

New flights will depart Montgomery at 8:40 a.m., 1 p.m. and 4 p.m., arriving Charlotte at 11:25 a.m., 3:45 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. (Flight times reflect time zone differences.)

"We are very pleased to add a new city - Montgomery - to the USAir Express route system and provide new flight opportunities for USAir system passengers from Charlotte and Montgomery," said John F. Leonard, president and chief executive officer of Henson Aviation, Inc.

Leonard said "the DASH 8 is a high-tech aircraft, with state-of-the-art navigational and communications equipment." It offers passengers the comfort of a "stand-up" cabin, overhead storage bins, two-by-two seating on both sides of a center aisle, a front galley, and a rear lavatory. Crew includes a captain, first officer and flight attendant.

At its Charlotte hub, USAir currently offers 318 daily jet departures and 123 daily USAir Express departures - with non-stop service to the business cities of the Northeast, the West Coast, Southeast vacation and business centers, London, San Juan, the Bahamas, and Bermuda.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communications, (703) 418-5100 or (213) 417-1294 (Western Region).

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#90353p4601 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
TAYLOR, MI (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Masco Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MASX) announced today that it is issuing $77.5 million of 12-percent Exchangeable Preferred Stock to Masco Corporation (NYSE: MAS) in exchange for $30 million of cash and 10 million shares of Masco Industries common stock.

The preferred stock is redeemable at any time without premium or exchangeable at Masco Industries' option for Masco Industries Junior Subordinated Debentures due 2006.

This transaction resulted in part from Masco Industries' obligation to repurchase shares of its common stock from Masco Corporation pursuant to a long-standing stock repurchase agreement between the parties and reduces Masco Corporation's holdings of Masco Industries common stock to approximately 45 percent.

Masco Industries manufactures custom-engineered and other commercial and specialty industrial products.

CONTACT: Kenneth J. Zak of Masco Corporation, 313-274-7400.

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#90353p4603 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
BALTIMORE (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - MNC Financial Inc. (NYSE: MNC) today announced it has entered into a definitive agreement with Commercial Credit Co., a subsidiary of Primerica Corp. (NYSE: PA), under which Commercial Credit would purchase all of the stock of the MNC consumer finance subsidiary Landmark Financial Services Inc.

Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions in the agreement and regulatory approval, MNC said it anticipated closing the transaction in early January 1991.

This transaction would permit MNC Financial to reduce its indebtedness by approximately $374 million.

CONTACT: Daniel G. Finney (media), 301-547-4038, or David W. Spartin (investors), 301-547-4410, both of MNC Financial.

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#90353p4604 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
ANCHORAGE, AK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Effective Dec. 21, almost all General Communication Inc. (GCI) (NASDAQ: GNCMA) employees will become employees of

GCI Communication Corp., a newly formed subidiary. According to John Lowber, GCI chief financial officer, on Nov. 30, GCI transferred substantially all of its operating assets, liabilities, rights and obligations to its wholly owned subsidiary GCI Communication Corp.

"General Communication Inc. is now a holding company and is the sole owner (parent) of GCI Communication Corp.," said Lowber. "Although no real changes will occur except that GCI's operations will be carried out by its wholly owned subsidiary, this structure allows us much more financial flexibility.

"Through the holding company we can pledge subsidiary company stock to gain additional and more flexible debt financing," continued Lowber. "This flexibility will allow GCI, within limits, to create new companies, undertake acquisitions, purchase equipment and pursue technological innovations in order to continue our competitive leadership in the marketplace."

The name, General Communication Inc. shall be used only for transactions involving the parent company. All future operating contracts, leases, agreements and licenses shall be in the name of GCI Communication Corp., although the company will continue to use the abbreviation "GCI."

Transalaska Network Systems Inc. remains a separate subsidiary now owned by GCI Communication Corp. and is not affected by this transfer.

CONTACT: John Lowber, 907-265-5628, or Linda Boggs, 907-265-5668, both of General Communication Inc.; or Bonnie Bernholz, of Bernholz and Graham, 907-561-4488, for General Communication Inc.

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#90353p4605 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Mexico Fund, Inc. (NYSE: MXF), a closed-end investment company investing in Mexican securities, today announced that its board of directors has declared a cash dividend of 3.4 cents per share payable on Jan. 31, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990. The cash dividend will be subject to applicable Mexican withholding taxes.

CONTACT: Jose Luis Gomez Pimienta, president of The Mexico Fund, 905-250-7211.

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#90353p4606 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: LMTS) announced today that it has sold an aggregate of $8,158,000 of the company's ten percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures. The company announced it would keep the offering open for a limited additional time because of continued active institutional investor interest.

Mel Masters, chief executive officer, expressed satisfaction that the offering has been a success in meeting immediate inventory purchase requirements and in providing a working capital reserve which management considers prudent, given international political uncertainty at this time.

LaserMaster Technologies, Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets laser printer and display systems and subsystems for high quality electronic printing and desktop publishing applications. LaserMaster's products include high performance printer controllers, plain-paper desktop typesetters and integrated electronic publishing systems which feature the company's proprietary TurboRes(TM) resolution enhancement technology.

CONTACT: Karen Neset of LaserMaster, (612) 941-8687.

-30- 1301

#90353p4609 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Little Caesars(R) Pizza, the world's largest carry-out pizza chain, will open its 3,000th restaurant on Dec. 20 in Houston.

The chain was founded in 1959 by Michael and Marian Ilitch, and is based in Detroit. Little Caesars currently has restaurants in all 50 states, Canada, England and Puerto Rico.

Over the past five years, the pizza chain has experienced phenomenal growth with its systemwide sales increasing by 232 percent and its number of restaurants growing by 200 percent.

Little Caesars also was voted as the "best value in America" in a recent consumer survey conducted by Restaurant & Institutions magazine. The survey included the top 105 national restaurant chains.

By the end of 1990, Little Caesars projects to have $1.5 billion in systemwide sales.

The chain's newest opening also marks Little Caesars Pizza's 50th restaurant in the Houston area.

CONTACT: Al Sebastian or Christine Heidisch of Little Caesars Pizza, 313-983-6170.

-30- 1155

#90353p4610 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Cooper Companies, Inc. (NYSE: COO), today reported financial results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990. This was the company's fifth consecutive profitable quarter and first profitable fiscal year since 1987.

For the quarter, the healthcare company reported net income applicable to common stock of $682,000 or 3 cents per share on sales of $13.3 million compared with $9.8 million or 41 cents per share on sales of $10.8 million in the same period a year ago. The 24 percent increase in sales reflects both product line extensions and acquisitions, which combined to offset a softening market for the company's sales of extended wear contact lenses. In the 1990 and 1989 fourth quarters, net income was increased by $.9 million and by $12.5 million, respectively, as a result of the reduction of certain tax accruals and, to a lesser extent, extraordinary gains on purchases of the company's debentures.

For the 1990 fiscal year, Cooper reported net income applicable to common stock of $3.0 million or 12 cents per share on sales of $48.2 million compared with a loss of $49.1 million or $2.09 per share on sales of $52.8 million in fiscal 1989. Sales for fiscal 1989 included $11 million from the international contact lens business which was sold in the second quarter of 1989.

Co-Chairmen Gary A. Singer and Bruce D. Sturman commented, in a jointly released statement, "The company is performing well, and is on target with our business plans. We have achieved improvements in our operations, including sales, margins, and asset management. In terms of business development, we have made a number of advances, including introductions of new products, acquisitions of additional product lines, and technology license agreements.

Net sales of the company's ongoing businesses were 15 percent higher in fiscal 1990 than a year ago. This was attributed to business development activities, the acquisition of Frigitronics in the second quarter of 1990 and the successful launch of new products throughout the year.

Gross profit margins for ongoing businesses rose from 58 percent to 62 percent of sales, reflecting primarily economies of scale, cost containment programs and product mix.

Total operating expenses were reduced by 16 percent or $8.4 million from 1989 levels. These reductions included $5.4 million from operations and $3.0 million from corporate expense.

CooperVision Pharmaceuticals began marketing EYEscrub to the ophthalmic pharmaceutical sector.

CooperSurgical progressed in developing its new business strategies, especially in non-ophthalmic areas, that are expected to broaden Cooper's product offerings and operations in the future.

CONTACT: Richard Jay Coyle of The Cooper Companies, 212-557-2690, or Marisa Heine of D. F. King & Co., 212-269-5550, for The Cooper Companies.

-30- 3086

#90353p4613 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

RIVERTON, WY (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. Energy Corp. (NASDAQ: USEG) and its 44 percent-subsidiary, Crested Corp. (NASDAQ: CBAG) have jointly announced that U.S. Energy (USE) has agreed to sell, and Crested has agreed to buy, one-ninth of USE's interest in the Sutter Gold Venture (SGV) for a price of $500,000. SGV is a mining venture formed between USE and Seine River Resources Inc. (SRRI), an unaffiliated company. SGV was formed to explore, develop and mine gold from leased properties in Amador County, Calif.

On Oct. 12, 1990, USE provided $4.5 million of the $5 million used to purchase mineral leases and related assets from FMC Gold Corp. (NYSE: FGL), which were subsequently contributed to SGV. SRRI had previously provided $500,000 of the purchase price to FMC Gold. SRRI has agreed to pay $2 million to USE in two installments due in April and October 1991, plus interest, in order to maintain a 50 percent interest in SGV. If SRRI fails to make those payments, its interest in SGV will be adjusted so that its percentage of ownership is equivalent to the portion of the $5 million purchase price it provides.

The price Crested has agreed to pay USE for its interest in SGV is the same as that paid by USE for an equivalent participation in the project. For its $500,000 payment to USE, Crested receives what is currently a 5.6 percent interest in SGV, and the right to one-ninth of any of the up to $2 million which SRRI must pay to prevent dilution of its interest in the project. Crested also incurs the obligation to pay its pro-rata share (currently 5.6 percent) of SGV's expenses, including a share of the initial $500,000 of joint venture costs being provided by USE. If SRRI fails to make the payments necessary to avoid dilution of its interest, Crested and SRRI will each hold 10 percent interests in the venture (each having contributed $500,000) and USE will have an 80 percent interest.

SGV's properties are located in the prolific Mother Lode Gold District near Sutter Creek, Calif., where gold was first discovered in 1848 starting the California Gold Rush. Mines in the surrounding area produced a reported 7.7 million ounces of gold prior to 1960, from veins extending as deep as 6,000 feet.

FMC Gold and a predecessor conducted exploration and development activities on portions of the properties now held by SGV. Through excavating a 2,800-foot decline, cross-cutting, raising and underground and surface drilling, two gold-bearing mineralized zones were identified. A preliminary feasibility study for gold production from those zones was then completed. That feasibility study reports the two zones contain approximately 631,200 tons of mineralized material averaging 0.351 troy ounces of gold per ton (OPT) for an equivalent of approximately 221,000 ounces of gold. Included in this mineralized material are probable reserves of 294,000 tons of mineralized

material averaging 0.375 OPT, or approximately 110,000 troy ounces of gold.

Construction of a mill and tailings pond, and further development work, are required to exploit the mineralized zones. An estimated $15 million is needed to bring the ore bodies into production, exclusive of working capital requirements. USE/Crested and SRRI are currently investigating methods of obtaining the necessary funds. Appropriate environmental permits are being sought, and must be obtained, before mining and milling operations may begin.

Max T. Evans, president of Crested, stated, "Crested's board of directors was offered the opportunity to acquire up to one-half of USE's interest in SGV. However, to maintain a strong cash position, we elected to commit $500,000 for one-ninth of USE's interest. The project looks very promising. The feasibility study and work to date at the properties rely on drilling to depths of only 600 feet, but production at nearby mines was continuous to depths of 6,000 feet. The possibility of mineralization continuing below the levels explored to date makes the ore body particularly interesting."

USE and Crested are minerals exploration and development companies with interests in major uranium resources through Sheep Mountain Partners (with Cycle Resource Investment Corp.), and Green Mountain Mining Venture (with Kennecott Uranium Co.). SMP owns developed uranium properties and has contracts to deliver approximately 11 million pounds of uranium to various public utilities during the 1990s. USE and Crested also have equal interests in a world-class deposit of molybdenum, and various interests in gold and other base and precious metals properties.

CONTACT: John L. Larsen or Max T. Evans of Crested Corp., 307-856-9271.

-30- 4911

#90353p4614 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Primerica Corporation (NYSE: PA) today announced that its subsidiary, Commercial Credit Company, has entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Landmark Financial Services, Inc. from MNC Financial, Inc. (NYSE: MNC).

The purchase includes approximately $355 million of net consumer finance receivables and two captive affiliated credit insurance companies for a purchase price of approximately $370 million, or a premium of $7 million over net tangible assets. Excluded from the transaction are Landmark's premium finance operation and servicing-retained real estate portfolio.

"This transaction demonstrates our continued focus on expanding our business through acquisitions of solid, healthy operations that can immediately add to earnings," said Robert I. Lipp, chairman of Primerica's Consumer Services group.

"The acquisition of Landmark gives Commercial Credit deeper penetration in several key states and access to new markets within those states. The business is very similar to Commercial Credit's and we expect a smooth integration, since Landmark already uses Action Data Services, our in-house data processing system."

Landmark, based in Silver Spring, Md., makes consumer loans through 116 offices, which are located in 10 contiguous states in the mid-Atlantic and southeast regions. As of Nov. 30, 1990, Commercial Credit had 663 branches in 37 states nationwide and a portfolio of $5.1 billion.

The lending operations of both Commercial Credit and Landmark provide consumers with primarily fixed-rate, fixed-term real estate-secured and personal loans. Each also has a relatively small sales finance program.

The closing of these proposed transactions is expected to occur in January 1991 and is subject to the approval of Primerica's board of directors and customary conditions, including regulatory approvals.

MNC Financial, Inc. is a $27+ billion-asset bank holding company headquartered in Baltimore, Md. Its principal subsidiaries include Maryland National Bank, the state's largest, American Security Bank, Washington, D.C., and MBNA America, of Newark, Del., the nation's leading issuer of endorsed group credit cards.

Primerica Corporation is a diversified financial services company principally engaged in life, credit, accident & health, and property & casualty insurance, investment banking and securities brokerage, mortgage banking, mutual funds, asset management, consumer lending and direct marketing. As of Sept. 30, 1990, Primerica had assets of approximately $21 billion.

CONTACT: Mary McDermott of Primerica, (212) 891-8870, or Dan Finney of MNC Financial, (301) 547-4038.

-30- 2890

#90353p4615 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PERKASIE, PA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Independence Bancorp (OTC: INBC) today announced it will add approximately $9 million to its loan loss provision in the fourth quarter of 1990.

Despite this provision, Independence said it expects 1990 earnings to exceed 1989 levels. Fourth quarter results are expected to show a nominal loss.

"As the recession sets in, increases in nonperforming loans and loan loss provisions are proving inescapable for virtually all banks," said John D. Harding, president and chief executive officer.

Independence will also charge off about $7 million in loans in the quarter. The loan loss reserve will be approximately 1.4 percent of total loans at year-end, compared with 1.35 percent at Sept. 30, 1990.

Nonperforming loans and other real estate owned are expected to increase to about $27 million, or 1.6 percent of total loans and other real estate owned, compared with $14.5 million, or .88 percent at Sept. 30, 1990.

"Our ongoing credit monitoring system indicated that several specific loans had deteriorated rapidly," said Harding. "We continually monitor our loan portfolio to ensure that we maintain proper levels of loan loss reserves relative to our total credit exposure. This is particularly important considering the deteriorating regional economy and weakening real estate markets that we are currently experiencing."

Independence's ratio of loan loss reserves to nonaccrual loans will be approximately 125 percent at Dec. 31, 1990.

Harding noted that Independence's strong balance sheet and capital levels will help the company weather the current economic climate. Independence's Tier I capital ratio will exceed 9 percent at Dec. 31, 1990, well above the required minimum of 3.625 percent.

"We expect to show modest earnings improvement for the year, and our basic strategies remain on course," Harding emphasized. "We are consolidating and standardizing operations so our community banks can more efficiently and effectively deliver services to their local communities, and we expect to continue to improve our core earnings stream in 1991."

Independence Bancorp is a $2.6 billion bank holding company for four community banks in eastern Pennsylvania: Bucks County Bank and Trust Co., Cheltenham Bank, Lehigh Valley Bank and Third National Bank and Trust Company of Scranton.

CONTACT: Gary A. Kimball, 215-453-3094, or Richard H. Turner Jr. (investors), 215-453-3043, both of Independence Bancorp.

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#90353p4619 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTVALE, NJ (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Federal Paper Board Company, Inc. (NYSE: FBO) today announced its regular quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the common stock. The common stock dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991 to holders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

The board also declared the quarterly dividend of 30 cents per share on the $1.20 convertible preferred stock. The preferred dividend is payable March 15 1991 to holders of record Feb. 28, 1991.

CONTACT: Quentin J. Kennedy, executive vice president of Federal Paper Board Company, 201-391-1776.

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#90353p4621 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Pioneer-Standard Electronics, Inc. (NASDAQ: PIOS) today declared a fourth quarter cash dividend on common stock of 4 cents per share, payable Feb. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 9, 1991.

Pioneer-Standard Electronics, Inc. markets a broad range of electronic components and computer products. The company and its affiliate, Pioneer/Technologies Group, Inc., serve most major markets through 41 locations.

CONTACT: John Goodger of Pioneer-Standard Electronics, Inc., 216-587-3600.

-30- 737

#90353p4622 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROSEMONT, IL (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Lindberg Corp. (NASDAQ: LIND) announced today the purchase of a large open fire, lift- cover car bottom furnace for installation and operation by Lindberg Heat Treating in Cleveland. The furnace, which is expected to begin heat treat processing in January 1991, is part of a long-term contract which will be formally announced early next year.

The furnace, with an effective work-zone of 8 feet by 24 feet by 3 feet which will handle loads of up to 40,000 pounds, with two charge cars to allow pre-starting of work, is being built to Lindberg specifications by the Consolidated Engineering Co. in Kennesaw, Ga. The complete installation will also include Lindberg's proprietary Computer Aided Heat Treating System (CAHTS(TM)) to provide real-time control and reporting of all processing functions.

Lindberg is the nation's largest commercial heat treating company, serving the metalworking industry from 21 plants located in major industrial centers throughout the United States and Brazil. Lindberg also owns and operates Harris Metals, a producer of precision intricate aluminum castings; Arrow-Acme a producer of aluminum and zinc die castings; and Alloy Wire Belt, a producer of conveyor belting products.

CONTACT: S.S. Penley of Lindberg Corp., 708-823-2021.

-30- 1468

#90353p4624 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

FARMINGTON HILLS, MI (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Creative House Advertising, Inc.

(CHAI) and The Public Relations Group, Inc. (PRG) have entered into a joint venture in which the two Detroit-area firms will work together to provide their clients with the full complement of advertising and public relations services.

The announcement, effective Dec. 1, 1990, was made jointly by Creative House President Ronald Merta and Vicki Lange and Dutton Morehouse, partners in The Public Relations Group.

Creative House Advertising, Inc. is a 26-year-old, full-service, marketing and research-driven advertising agency based in Farmington Hills.

The Public Relations Group, Inc. is a four-year-old firm based in Michigan and Wyoming. It provides a full range of public relations services including corporate, marketing and employee communications, government and community relations, special-event planning and management, media relations and speaker training.

PRG has moved its Detroit-area operations into the Farmington Hills offices of CHAI. The Public Relations Group also maintains an office in Laramie, Wyo., to service its clients in western states.

"We are extremely pleased that The Public Relations Group, Inc. has joined forces with Creative House Advertising," Merta said. "The addition of experienced and professional public relations practitioners, like Vicki and Dutton, fulfills one of the primary goals we identified in our five-year plan for growth. We believe that the new team of CHAI/PRG makes a strong combination to serve the broadcast range of a client's communication needs."

CONTACT: Vicki Lange of The Public Relations Group, (313) 851-8180.

-30- 1877

#90353p4630 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

TWINSBURG, OH (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - General Computer Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: GCCC) reported today that its revenues increased 8 percent in the second quarter of fiscal 1991 as the company achieved its third consecutive quarter of profitable operations.

Revenues for the three months ended Nov. 30, 1990, totaled $3.1 million, compared to $2.9 million for the second quarter of fiscal 1990. Operating profit for the 1991 second quarter was $179,000, compared to an operating loss of $457,000 in the previous year's quarter. Net earnings were $18,000, or 1 cent per share, versus a net loss of $588,000, or 37 cents per share.

For the first six months of fiscal 1991, revenues were $6.5 million, an 11 percent improvement from the $5.9 million in the comparable period of fiscal 1990. Operating profit was $389,000 for the first half of fiscal 1991, versus

an operating loss of $1,160,000 in the first six months of fiscal 1990. Net earnings were $70,000, or 4 cents per share, in the fiscal 1991 half, compared to a net loss of $1,402,000, or 89 cents per share, in the first six months of the previous fiscal year.

"We continue to show favorable comparisons in the service sector of the business," Richard R. Pilarczyk, president and chief executive officer, said. "Our revenue from the processing of prescription claims in the first half of fiscal 1991 was more than double that of the comparable period of fiscal 1990."

System sales in the fiscal 1991 second quarter felt the impact of economic conditions and were below the previous year's levels, although this year's quarter did include the first installations of General Computer's new Solution/90(TM) Unix-based pharmacy system which offers greater flexibility to the user. The new system has been well received by both existing GCC customers and non-GCC customers who are considering upgrading their systems.

"While we are pleased with our second quarter results and continue to believe that the claims processing base we have established will continue to expand, for the near term we still are subject to economic conditions in the marketplace which create a difficult environment for the sale of systems," Pilarczyk said.

General Computer Corporation is a leading developer of electronic systems and services for pharmacies and medical offices.

GENERAL COMPUTER CORPORATION
Statements of Operations
(Unaudited, in thousands except per share)

	Quarter		Six months	
Periods ended Nov. 30;	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales				
Services: Claims processing	$1,021	$ 588	$2,044	$ 969
Other	1,074	970	2,034	1,997
Total	2,095	1,558	4,078	2,966
System sales	997	1,275	2,362	2,786
Lease operations	40	61	84	117
Total sales	3,132	2,894	6,524	5,869
Cost of sales and services	1,912	2,116	3,998	4,457
Gross profit	1,220	778	2,526	1,412
Expenses Selling	460	518	945	1,091
General and administrative	581	717	1,192	1,481
Total operating expenses	1,041	1,235	2,137	2,572
Operating profit (loss)	179	(457)	389	(1,160)
Interest expense	(170)	(152)	(342)	(290)
Sundry income	9	21	23	48
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	18	(588)	70	(1,402)

Income taxes (A)	--	--	--	--
Net earnings (loss)	18	(588)	70	(1,402)
Net earnings (loss) per common share	.01	(.37)	.04	(.89)
Average shares outstanding	1,574	1,574	1,574	1,574

(A) -- The company has operating loss carryforwards available, therefore no provision for federal income taxes was made for the fiscal 1991 period. Federal income tax benefits were fully utilized in fiscal 1989, therefore were not available in fiscal 1990.

CONTACT: David R. Stitt of General Computer, 216-425-3241.

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#90353p4631 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LIVINGSTON, NJ (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Mayflower Financial Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MFFC) (MFC), the holding company of Mayflower Savings Bank, SLA, today announced that the Department of Banking of the State of New Jersey has approved the acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of MFC by Valley National Bancorp, Clifton, N.J. (VNB). Stockholders of MFC approved the transaction on Nov. 30, 1990, and all other requisite regulatory approvals from the office of Thrift Supervision of the department of the treasury and the board of governors of the Federal Reserve System had been previously received. The parties intend to consummate the acquisition on Dec. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Norman Goldfarb, president and chief executive officer of Mayflower Financial Corporation, 201-992-6262.

-30- 1004

#90353p4636 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOGOTA, NJ (DEC. 18) PR NEWSWIRE - Del-Val Financial Corporation (NYSE: DVL) is continuing to hold negotiations with its various lenders to develop a restructuring plan for the repayment of such creditors.

As part of its evaluation of its current financial position, Del-Val has retained its independent auditors, Deloitte & Touche, to conduct an interim review of the company's financial statements. Del-Val's Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990 will not be filed with the SEC until such review is completed.

CONTACT: Magali Font of Del-Val, 201-487-1300

-30- 736

#90353p4637 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRANTFORD, ONTARIO (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The financial results of Redlaw Industries Inc. (AMEX: RDL) of Brantford, Ontario for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 were today released by the company. All dollars quoted are Canadian.

Consolidated sales from continuing operations for the year were $73,935,000 compared to $78,320,000 for the previous year.

Loss from continuing operations was $825,000 or 11 cents per share compared to income from continuing operations of $5,701,000 or 77 cents per share in the prior year. Loss from discontinued operations brought final results for the current year to a loss of $1,017,000 or 13 cents per share compared to a loss of $3,149,000 or 42 cents per share in the prior year.

CONTACT: Bev Lanning, secretary-treasurer of Redlaw Industries, 519-759-0181

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#90353p4639 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Wilmington Trust Co. (NASDAQ: WILM) announced today that it has completed its acquisition of The Peoples Bank of Harrington, a $45 million asset, state-chartered bank located in Harrington, Del.

Under the terms of the agreement that was signed in April, 1990, the purchase involved the exchange of 12.04 shares of Wilmington Trust common stock for each share of Peoples Bank of Harrington stock. Based on the last sale of Wilmington Trust shares at the close of business on Tuesday, Dec. 18, 1990, the transaction was valued at $9.6 million or approximately $479 for each share of Peoples Bank of Harrington stock.

The Peoples Bank of Harrington will now be the Harrington office of Wilmington Trust. Barry A. Breeding, Peoples Bank president, will remain with Wilmington Trust as Vice President and manager of the Harrington office.

"The addition of The Peoples Bank of Harrington brings many benefits to Wilmington Trust," said Bernard J. Taylor II, Wilmington Trust's chairman. "Their long-standing tradition of offering high-quality retail and commercial banking services to customers in Kent County will greatly aid us in the expansion of our services in southern Delaware."

CONTACT: Charles W. King of Wilmington Trust, 302-651-8069.

-30- 1463

#90353p4640 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Air Canada is offering up to 74 percent off regular economy fares for travel on most of its routes from the U.S. and

within Canada.

For example, Air Canada passengers will be able to travel round trip between New York and Toronto for as little as $149 or to Montreal and Ottawa for $125. Round trip fares on Air Canada flights between Boston and Halifax are offered for $117 and Boston - Toronto for $109. Similar discounted fares from New York and Boston are also available to such popular Canadian cities as Vancouver and Calgary.

The special "Holiday Fares" can be used in conjunction with the already established savings for senior travelers which allows ten percent off fares for all persons 62 years of age or over, with the same discount available to one companion of any age. These passengers can save an additional ten percent off the "Holiday" fares.

Reservations must be made by Jan. 31, 1991; at least 14 days prior to departure, and the discounted tickets are good for travel between Jan. 18 and March 16, 1991. There is a minimum stay of one Saturday and a maximum stay of 30 days. Further information and bookings are available through travel agents or by calling Air Canada.

CONTACT: Steve Pisni of Stephen A. Pisni Public Relations, (212) 982-2224, for Air Canada.

-30- 1508

#90353p4641 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

OTTAWA, ONTARIO (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - SHL Systemhouse Inc. (NASDAQ: SHKIF) of Ottawa today announced that its Los Angeles branch has been awarded a US$32.5 million systems integration and outsourcing contract by Spectrum Healthcare Solutions of New York, which has been contracted by the Los Angeles County Department of Health to implement the Hospital Financial Information System for the six L.A. County-owned and operated hospitals.

Spectrum is a partnership between IBM of Armonk, N.Y., and Baxter Healthcare Corporation of Chicago and was established in January of this year through the merging of IBM's and Baxter's independent health systems divisions and assets.

Under the terms of the contract, Systemhouse will be responsible for the provision of all computer hardware, systems software, communication facilities a central data center and ongoing facilities management and system support. Systemhouse will supply an IBM ES 9000-500 mainframe processor and more than 1,200 remote terminals and personal computers running on a dedicated high-speed digital telecommunications network.

Spectrum will customize and implement hospital systems based on its application software packages currently installed in more than 60 sites around the world.

Systemhouse will bring the hospitals on-line in stages with the first fully installed in 13 months and the last in 30 months.

When fully operational, the system will run 24 hours a day, seven days a week and will be among the largest in the U.S. health care community handling all financial transactions for the 3,800-bed hospital network. The hospitals include the University of Southern California Medical Center, listed as the second largest hospital in the United States. The USC Medical Center alone has 100,000 admissions and 500,000 outpatient visits annually.

Los Angeles Vice President Paul Sweeny said, "The Spectrum-L.A. County system will be one of the most comprehensive and complex hospital financial information systems anywhere. In assisting L.A. County in providing the best level of health care possible, Systemhouse has established itself as the premier supplier of outsourcing services to the county. Moreover, ourselves, IBM and Baxter, through Spectrum, view this award as strategic with great potential for future cooperative efforts in the health care sector."

CONTACT: Paul Sweeny, vice president of SHL Systemhouse, 213-860-3635.

-30- 2642

#90353p4643 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Heilig-Meyers Company (NYSE: HMY), the Richmond-based home furnishings retailer, today reported record revenues and earnings for the third quarter ended November 30, 1990.

Net earnings for the quarter increased to $4,917,000 or $.47 per share compared with net earnings of $4,744,000 or $.45 per share last year. Revenues for the quarter increased to $111.9 million as compared to $98.8 million in the prior year.

For the nine months ended November 30, 1990, net earnings rose to $16,908,000 or $1.60 per share compared to $14,529,000 or $1.38 per share (before the cumulative effect of an accounting change) in the prior year. Net earnings for the prior year, including $1,584,000 in nonrecurring income from the company's change in accounting for certain inventory costs, were $16,113,000 or $1.53 per share. Revenues for the period rose 15.8 percent to $333.6 million from $288.0 million.

William C. DeRusha, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, commented that the company has continued to produce sales and earnings gains despite a slowing economy and a general decline in industry sales.

Management believes the company's operating strategy, emphasizing its small town niche, broad product lines and aggressive advertising programs, will continue to favorbably influence operating results in this slowing economic

environment.

The company also announced today that its Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of $.11 per share payable February 23, 1991 to stockholders of record on January 23, 1991. During the quarter, the company opened eight stores bringing the total number of stores in operation to 319 at November 30, 1990.

CONTACT: Roy Goodman, Treasurer and Secretary, Heilig-Meyers Company, (804) 359-9171.

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#90353p4644 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANAHEIM, CALIF. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The parent company of Carl's Jr. restaurants announced today that a non-smoking policy will be implemented in all public areas of its 426 company-owned restaurants beginning Jan. 1, 1991. Carl's Jr. is the first major quick-service restaurant chain to voluntarily provide smoke-free dining in its restaurants.

Carl Karcher Enterprises Inc. (NASDAQ: CARL) cited the benefits of an improved dining experience and healthier atmosphere as the reasons for its decision. In addition, the company's franchises are also being encouraged to adopt a non-smoking policy.

"Carl's Jr. has been an innovator among quick-service restaurants in offering healthful and enjoyable meals quickly," said President and Chief Operating Officer Donald Karcher. "This new policy will offer our quests a fresher and healthier dining experience."

Since July 1990, the company has been testing a non-smoking policy in selected restaurants. While Carl's Jr. restaurants have been divided into smoking and non-smoking sections in the past, some local regulations have been successfully addressed by making an entire restaurant non-smoking.

Edward C. Cazier Jr., chairman of the American Cancer Society's California Division, praised the restaurant chain for implementing the new policy.

"The provision of a smokefree environment for diners is very much in the public interest, and we are very pleased to learn of this wise decision," he said. "The new policy will ensure that customers in Carl's Jr.'s company-owned restaurants are not involuntarily exposed to a known carcinogen -- tobacco smoke."

Organizations, including the American Cancer Society, National Academy of Sciences, and Environmental Protection Agency, have reported on the health hazards associated with passive smoking (also called secondhand smoke).

Carl's Jr., a regional chain of quick-service restaurants, is distinguished by its varied menu of charbroiled hamburgers, sandwiches and healthful, premium quality products. Founded in 1941, the company, its franchisees and licensees operate 568 Carl's Jr. Restaurants in California, Arizona, Nevada, Oregon and Japan.

CONTACT: Patricia Parks of Carl's Jr., 714-490-3607, or 714-520-4450

-30- 2423

#90353p4645 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CONN (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Climax Molybdenum Company, a subsidiary of Climax Metals Company, based in Greenwich, Conn., announced it will acquire certain businesses from Metals & Powders Trollhattan AB (MPT) of Trollhattan, Sweden, a wholly owned subsidiary of Sandvik AB. The businesses to be acquired include MPT's molybdenum roasting operations, and metallothermic production capabilities of certain ferroalloys. MPT will retain its grinding operations, which produce ferroalloy powders for the welding electrode industry. The transaction is expected to be completed in January 1991.

The MPT Trollhattan activities will be integrated into Climax's European operations.

With the acquisition of the MPT molybdenum operations, Climax will add roasting capacity to its present European molybdenum conversion plants in Rotterdam, Holland, and Stowmarket, England. As a result of this acquisition, the Trollhattan operations will be integrated into a complete material flow, from raw material source through marketing of final product.

Climax is the world's leading fully integrated producer of molybdenum products and manufacturer of specialty metal and chemical products. Climax Metals Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of AMAX Inc., headquartered in New York City. AMAX Inc. is a major producer of aluminum and manufactured aluminum products with substantial interests in domestic energy and gold production, along with other metals-related interests.

Sandvik AB is the world's leading producer of cemented carbide products and a leading producer of specialty steel and alloys of zirconium, titanium and rhenium.

CONTACT: Barry Hartland of Climax Molybdenum, 203-629-6332

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#90353p4648 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Willis Corroon plc (NYSE: WCG) has been informed that virtually all Corroon & Black's shareholders who asserted

appraisal rights prior to the effective time of the merger of Willis Faber p.l.c. with Corroon & Black have now withdrawn their demands for appraisal. At the effective time of the merger, apparently valid notices to assert appraisal rights had been given to Corroon & Black in respect of approximately 2.48 million shares, amounting to about 11.8 percent of its share capital outstanding at that time. Corroon & Black shares in respect of which apparently valid notices remain now number only 360.

Former shareholders were not obliged to notify Willis Corroon plc or Corroon & Black if they abandoned the pursuit of appraisal rights by exchanging their Corroon & Black shares for Willis Corroon plc shares before Dec. 7. Appraisal rights may now be pursued only by those few former Corroon & Black shareholders who have not withdrawn their demands for appraisal and who file a petition in the Delaware Courts seeking appraisal within 120 days of the merger.

CONTACT: Mary E. Florey of Corroon & Black, 212-363-4100; or Maripat Sexton of Hill and Knowlton, Inc., 212-697-5600, for Corroon & Black.

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#90353p4649 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of RAC Mortgage Investment Corporation (NYSE: RMR) today announced a fourth quarter dividend of $0.24 per share to holders of record on Dec. 31, 1990, payable on Jan. 10, 1991. The ex-dividend trade date is Dec. 24, 1990.

The dividend increase is a result of the favorable outlook for the company's earnings for 1990. The company's investment portfolio continues to perform well given the present interest rate environment and the current low level of mortgage prepayment rates.

RAC Mortgage Investment Corporation is a publicly traded real estate investment trust. The company is managed by Ryland Acceptance Corporation, an indirect subsidiary of The Ryland Group, Inc.

CONTACT: Sheryl P. Kurland of RAC Mortgage, 301-730-6851.

-30- 980

#90353p4653 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

EXETER, NH (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Tyco Laboratories, Inc. (NYSE: TYC) has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of nine cents per common share.

The dividend is payable on February 4, 1991, to shareholders of record on January 4, 1991. Tyco is a worldwide manufacturer of fire protection/flow control systems, electrical and electronic components, and packaging materials.

CONTACT: Irving Gutin of Tyco Laboratories, (603) 778-9700.

-30- 642

#90353p4654 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WASHINGTON, PA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. (NYSE: RPR) today announced the successful completion of its offer to exchange Rhone-Poulenc Rorer shares for publicly owned shares of Laboratoire Roger Bellon.

Prior to the tender, Rhone-Poulenc Rorer owned 76.2 percent of Laboratoire Roger Bellon. In October, RPR announced its proposal to purchase the minority interest by exchanging ten Rhone-Poulenc Rorer shares for each Laboratoire Roger Bellon share outstanding.

With the successful closing of the tender, RPR has now acquired 97.7 percent of the Laboratoire Roger Bellon. The RPR shares exchanged will be admitted on the Paris Bourse as of the end of January 1991.

Until that time, the new equity in RPR will be traded as share exchange certificates on the Bourse. These exchange certificates will not be offered or sold to American investors.

The purchase of the minority interest in Laboratoire Roger Bellon by RPR Inc. is consistent with the company's strategy to consolidate and streamline operations.

In 1989, Laboratoire Roger Bellon generated sales of approximately $268 million and a net profit before minority interest of $31 million. Their product line includes both over-the-counter and ethical products. Hospitals and clinics account for approximately 50 percent of sales; approximately 80 percent of sales are in France.

Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc., is a global pharmaceutical company dedicated to the discovery, development, manufacturing, and marketing of human pharmaceuticals in eight major therapeutic areas: cardiovascular, infectious disease and AIDS, central nervous system and analgesia, allergy and inflammation, gastroenterology, bone metabolism, cancer and blood derivatives.

RPR has annualized sales of more than $3.5 billion and over $400 million per year investment in research. The company operates in all major markets of the world.

CONTACT: Rhone-Poulenc Rorer media relations, (215) 628-6730, or investor relations, (215) 628-6007.

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#90353p4656 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - American Real Estate Partners, L.P. (NYSE: ACP), today announced that it has declared a quarterly distribution of $.50 per depositary unit. The distribution is payable on Feb. 15, 1991, to holders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 31, 1990.

American Real Estate Partners, L.P., is a master limited partnership engaged in acquiring and managing real estate with a primary focus on office, retail and industrial properties.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Finn, senior vice president and chief financial officer, 212-353-7775, or Patricia S. Bennett (investor relations), 212-353-6207, both of American Real Estate Partners

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#90353p4657 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
PHOENIX, AZ (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Phelps Dodge Corporation (NYSE: PD) today announced that the Morenci Mining venture has discovered substantial open-pit mineable copper mineralization, known as the Coronado deposit, in the Morenci District north of the Morenci, Arizona open pit mine. Morenci Mining is a venture between Phelps Dodge Morenci, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Phelps Dodge Corporation, which holds an undivided 85 percent interest in the venture, and Sumitomo Metal Mining Arizona, Inc., a jointly-owned subsidiary of Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd., and Sumitomo Corporation, both of Japan, which holds the remaining 15 percent interest.

During 1989 and 1990, sixty drill holes were completed which identified chalcocite mineralization that is continuous over the project area and averages 430 feet in thickness with a maximum thickness in excess of 800 feet. The chalcocite deposit is overlain by leachable copper oxide mineralization averaging 300 feet in thickness. Combined sulfide and oxide geological reserves in excess of 150 million tons grading 0.7 percent copper are indicated. Metallurgical testing demonstrates that the deposit is amenable to copper recovery by flotation and by heap leaching using solvent extraction/electrowinning.

Drilling of the area continues to define additional mineralization and will continue during 1991.

Phelps Dodge is the world's second largest producer of copper. The company is also the world's second largest producer of carbon blacks, the leading North American fabricator of wheels and rims for medium and heavy trucks, a major manufacturer of magnet wire and specialty conductors, and has operations and investments overseas in mines and wire and cable manufacturing facilities. The company's operations are located throughout the United States and in twenty- two other countries.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Foster of Phelps Dodge, 602-234-8139.

-30- 2116

#90353p4659 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - First Union Corporation (NYSE: FTU) has agreed to work as a consultant with the Madison Financial Group to help establish a retail bank in Gdansk, Poland.

Solidarnosc-Chase Bank, expected to open in the second quarter of 1991, will be one of the country's first private financial institutions in post-Communist Poland.

The private venture is a marked departure from Poland's existing banking system, which was operated by the Communist Party and primarily served commercial customers.

Interestingly, the new bank will open its first office in the building that formerly housed some of the Communist Party headquarters staff in Gdansk.

"One of our biggest challenges will be convincing the public that the bank is safe and convenient," said Terry G. Friddle, vice president in First Union's International Division. "Under the old banking structure, it was sometimes difficult to make a withdrawal, so people tended to stash their cash in the cookie jar."

First Union has agreed to provide technical and planning expertise in a number of areas, including design of physical properties and building renovations; organization and staffing; automation and operations; systems design; branch operations; marketing and advertising; accounting, financial, audit and regulatory controls, and compliance; policies and procedures; and document design. First Union Corporation will have no equity investment in the Polish bank.

The bank will be 51-percent owned by the Solidarity Foundation, a for-profit arm of Solidarity. The remaining 49 percent will be owned by Chase International Corp. and its partners, the American European Special Opportunity Fund (ESOP) and the U.S. Sheetmetal Workers National Pension Fund.

"This is an important step toward building a more prosperous Poland, and we are grateful to First Union for its support," said Jerzy Kobylinski, head of the Solidarity Foundation.

Chase is a Connecticut-based company whose interests include real estate development, broadcasting, financial services, insurance and product design engineering.

Chase and its partners will provide $6 million in capital to start the new bank, and Solidarity will grant exclusive rights to the use of the Solidarity name and logo, valued at $6 million. Future investment may be raised in public offering.

CONTACT: Sandy Deem of First Union Corporation, (704) 374-2710, work, or (704) 567-1176, home.

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RICHARDSON, TX (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - CONVEX Computer Corporation (NYSE: CNX) announced today that Allied Geophysical Laboratories (AGL) at the University of Houston has installed a CONVEX C210 supercomputer. The system will be used extensively on a Texas- funded project called the State Lands Energy Research Optimization Program of SLERO. The goal of the project is to increase the amount of oil and gas produced on state-owned lands.

The Texas Bureau of Economic Geology oversees the project, which links researchers from the University of Houston, the University of Texas, Texas A&M and Texas Tech. The $8 million program will focus on ten state-owned reservoirs over a four-year period.

Researchers at the AGL will use the CONVEX supercomputer to tabulate data from seismic testing, called cross-holed tomography, to develop a more accurate picture of the underground geological structure of an oil or gas reservoir. With a better understanding of the makeup of a reservoir, producers can plan the ideal location for conventional wells or the proper depth placement for horizontal wells to maximize the recovery potential of the reservoir.

CONVEX sponsors an aggressive third-party software program that has attracted leading software vendors in a variety of fields. Currently, there are more than 900 third-party software packages available that take advantage of the C Series' advanced architecture. Almost 150 of these widely-used applications support the petroleum market and have been optimized for high performance on the CONVEX platform.

The Allied Geophysical Laboratories at the University of Houston is an interdisciplinary set of labs linking faculty and students from the departments of geosciences, computer science, mechanical and electrical engineering. The AGL has attracted more than $10 million from industry and government sources during the past ten years, surpassing several of the nation's most prestigious universities. Current funding from the Department of Energy, the State of Texas, and from industrial consortium members exceeds $1 million annually.

The University of Houston ranks among the great urban research institutions, ranking in the top 20 nationwide in National Merit Scholars enrolled as part

of the 33,000-member student body. In 1990 the university conducted more than $43 million in nationally-recognized research in areas as diverse as superconductivity, commercial development of space, space habitat design, improved oil recovery, international business and health law.

CONVEX Computer Corporation, a leading supplier of supercomputers worldwide, was founded in 1982 to design, manufacture, market and service high performance systems. The company markets its products primarily to scientific engineering and technical users throughout the world for a wide variety of applications in such areas as geophysical processing, computational chemistry, computer-aided engineering, image and signal processing, aerospace simulations and molecular biology. CONVEX has sold some 750 systems in 34 countries. The installed base now represents more than half a billion dollars of cumulative revenues from more than 400 customers worldwide. The systems are sold and serviced through direct sales and an extensive distribution network around the world.

CONTACT: Donna Burke, 214-497-4230, or Alison Peoples, 214-497-4226, both of CONVEX Computer

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - In support of Operation Desert Shield, MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) today announced it is donating free domestic long-distance services and short-wave radio equipment to the Armed Forces Military Affiliate Radio System (MARS).

Through the use of short-wave radio equipment manned by MARS operators in Saudi Arabia, American soldiers can contact any of 185 designated MARS stations in the United States. The domestic MARS operator can then contact the soldier's family in the United States and link the two by using MCI's long-distance telephone service. Eligible military personnel in the Navy and Marine Corps, Air Force and Army will have the opportunity to place free calls home for a five-minute period. MCI will donate the domestic long-distance calls. The service will be available for a 90-day period beginning Dec. 20, 1990.

MCI is also providing the equipment to establish 15 new MARS short-wave radio stations in Saudi Arabia.

"MCI's purchase of radio equipment and the donation of free long-distance service will assist Saudi-based U.S. soldiers in making calls home during the holidays and long after," said Kevin Sharer, MCI's president for business markets. "Americans assigned to Operation Desert Shield have had limited telephone access, particularly those soldiers stationed in remote areas. MCI's goal is to enable more U.S. troops to communicate with their families, at no cost."

Robert Loe, chief of the Navy-Marine Corps MARS, said, "The donation to provide greater telephone access to our U.S. troops is a significant morale booster, particularly during the holiday season."

MARS, founded more than 40 years ago, is comprised of individual systems in the Army, Air Force and Navy-Marine Corps. The membership consists of approximately 8,000 volunteer civilian amateur radio operators with some volunteer military members at military bases and aboard ships. MARS is known primarily for MARSGRAMS and radio-telephone calls placed for military personnel overseas. This morale and welfare traffic provides training to help MARS volunteers augment the services' regular means of communication in times of emergency. Operation Desert Shield has significantly increase MARS activity and led to innovations for handling large volumes of traffic from halfway around the world.

In September 1990, MCI announced that it was donating free emergency long-distance telephone service to U.S. military troops in Saudi Arabia through the American Red Cross. This MCI-Red Cross service is still in operation for an indefinite period.

MCI is the nation's second largest long-distance provider, supplying a full range of voice and data telecommunication services to business and residential customers and government agencies. MCI's long-distance services enable customers to call throughout the United States and dial direct to more than 170 countries representing 99 percent of overseas calling from the United States.

MCI Government Systems, a part of the MCI Enterprises Group, provides long-distance communications to the U.S. federal government, including the Department of Defense.

CONTACT: Debra Shriver, 703-415-6904, or Kate S. Fralin, 703-415-6941, both of MCI Communications Corporation.

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KEARNY, NJ (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Goody Products, Inc. (NASDAQ: GOOD) announced today that the company has entered into a license agreement with Walt Disney Company, Inc. (NYSE: DIS) for the production and distribution of a line of hair accessories and cosmetic and travel organizers and accessories depicting a range of Disney characters.

This agreement with Disney closely follows the previously announced licensing agreement with Mattel, Inc. (NYSE: MAT) for the production and distribution of a line of hair accessories under the trade name "Barbie for Girls(TM)", which has met with an overwhelming response from the trade.

Leonard Goodman, chairman and CEO of Goody said, "We are extremely excited to have secured the Disney license for our hair accessories and Pretty Neat(R) product lines. In combination with the recently announced Barbie license, Goody now has two of the strongest licensed names in the personal products business. As a result, we confidently expect considerable added volume from these products in 1991."

Under the agreement with Disney, Goody has acquired the right to produce and market a complete line of hair accessories representing such Disney characters as Mickey Mouse, Minnie Mouse, Donald Duck, Daisy Duck, Pluto, Goofy, the Three Little Pigs and Clarabelle Cow, among other characters. These licensed products include barrettes, ponytail holders, fashion combs, headbands, hair ribbons and ties, clips, hair brushes, combs and mirrors, among others. The license also includes the use of Disney Babies characters specifically for barrettes and headbands.

Goody will also be producing a Disney line of decorative fashion hair accessories to be marketed primarily to department and specialty stores. This fashion line should provide additional sales potential and market extension since it represents Goody's initial penetration of the department and specialty store market.

The Disney license extends to Goody's Pretty Neat products which will use Disney characters in a children's line of cosmetic cases, personal organizers, travel cases, as well as travel accessories including plastic bottles, soap holders, toothbrush holders, etc.

The "Barbie for Girls" line has already been previewed by many of Goody's major customers and the order rate has far exceeded management's most optimistic expectations. "We expect to introduce and preview our Disney product line in the first quarter of 1991," Goodman noted, "and we anticipate a similarly strong trade response."

Both the Barbie line and Disney line should provide Goody with a strong presence in new channels of distribution. "In addition to Goody's traditional outlets, we expect to penetrate childrens' apparel chains, major toy chains and toy departments of our mass merchandise customers," Goodman said. "Moreover, Barbie and Disney should produce additional holiday season volume which will aid our traditionally soft fourth quarter."

Goody Products, Inc. is engaged in the design, manufacture and marketing of a wide variety of hair accessories and owns and operates three additional consumer products subsidiaries and divisions: Opti- Ray, a designer and marketer of high quality fashion sunglasses; Ace Comb, a manufacturer of premium, quality hard rubber combs, and Pretty Neat Products, a producer of plastic cosmetic organizers.

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard Inc., 212-545-8400, for Goody Products.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Stone & Webster, Incorporated (NYSE: SW) today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 15 cents per share on the outstanding common stock of the corporation, which if continued at the reduced rate would be at the annual rate of 60 cents per year.

This is a reduction of the dividend previously paid at the rate of $1.20 per year. The total dividend paid in 1990 was $1.20 per share. The dividend is payable Feb. 15, 1991, to stockholders of record on Jan. 2, 1991.

William F. Allen Jr., chairman and chief executive, stated: "As indicated in our 1989 annual report to stockholders, we are keeping highly skilled employees on the payroll whose time is not presently wholly chargeable to clients.

"In our opinion, because of anticipated shortages in power generation capacity electric utilities will face sizable expenditures for services and equipment required to satisfy a growing demand for power in the 1990s. Benefits to Stone & Webster will not be realized until after 1990.

"While we are holding staff which we feel will be required to meet the demand for our services in the power business, we are expanding into other major areas of environmental protection, restoration, rebuilding and enlargement of the nation's infrastructure. Strong demand for our services continues from the process industry.

"Keeping a staff of people on the payroll who are not chargeable to clients but who will be, contributes to increasing our operating expenses - as does our ongoing efforts to develop and maintain our "high technology" capabilities.

"Our workload has increased significantly in the last quarter of 1990 in the U.S. and internationally. The commencement of effort on these new projects requires large cash expenditures for payroll and related start-up costs."

CONTACT: William M. Egan of Stone & Webster, (212) 290-7490.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Coopers & Lybrand is pleased to announce the addition of three new partners effective Dec. 1, 1990:

-- Bruce W. Ballenger, management consulting services partner, specializing in

the real estate industry. Ballenger was formerly partner in charge of corporate financial services at Ernst & Young, Los Angeles.

-- David R. Beach, tax partner, specializing in the investments and securities industries. Beach was formerly managing partner of Spicer & Oppenheim, Century City.

-- William C. Kwan, partner, specializing in the investments and securities industries. Kwan was formerly partner in charge of audit at Spicer & Oppenheim, Century City.

-- Jean W. Horton, partner, specializing in the investments and securities industries. Horton was formerly a partner in the New York office of Coopers & Lybrand.

One of the world's leading accounting, tax and management consulting firms, Coopers & Lybrand provides solutions for businesses in a wide range of industries. The firm offers its clients the expertise of more than 16,000 professionals in 98 United States offices and over 61,000 people in 104 countries worldwide.

CONTACT: Elana O'Brien of Coopers & Lybrand, 213-482-6312

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Coopers & Lybrand is pleased to announce the addition of Philip B. Strauss as a tax partner specializing in the entertainment industry. Strauss was formerly partner in charge of tax at Kenneth Leventhal, Miami.

One of the world's leading accounting, tax and management consulting firms, Coopers & Lybrand provides solutions for businesses in a wide range of industries. The firm offers its clients the expertise of more than 16,000 professionals in 98 United States offices and over 61,000 people in 104 countries worldwide.

CONTACT: Elana O'Brien of Coopers & Lybrand, 213-482-6312.

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CHANTILLY, VA. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Fairchild Industries Inc. (NYSE: FEN PrA) today declared a cash dividend of 90 cents per share on the company's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock payable Jan. 16, 1991, to stockholders of record Jan. 7.

Fairchild Industries, a subsidiary of The Fairchild Corp., has operating

divisions in aerospace, industrial products and communications services. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Deborah M. Tucker of Fairchild, 703-478-5856

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BOSTON (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Colonial InterMarket Income Trust I (NYSE: CMK) and Colonial Municipal Income Trust (NYSE: CMU), closed-end investment companies, today released earnings and dividends for the quarter ending Nov. 30, 1990. The results are as follows:

	COLONIAL INTERMARKET INCOME TRUST I FOURTH QUARTER ENDING NOV. 30, 1990	
	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$3,486	32 cents
Dividends	(3,466)	(32 cents)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(2,648)	(23 cents)
Increase/decrease in net asset value from operations	(2,628)	(23 cents)
Receipts for shares sold at initial public offering	N/A	N/A
Expenses incurred from initial public offering	N/A	N/A
Net asset value:		
Beginning of period	119,711	10.87
End of period	$117,083	$10.64
Market price at end of the period	---	$9.625
	PERIOD ENDING NOV. 30, 1989(a)	
	Aggregate (000's)	Per Share
Net investment income	$1,996	18 cents
Dividends	(1,321)	(12 cents)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	900	8 cents
Increase/decrease in net asset value from operations	1,575	14 cents
Receipts for shares sold at initial public offering	122,690	N/A
Expenses incurred from initial public offering	(429)	(4 cents)
Net asset value:		
Beginning of period	100	11.16
End of period	$123,936	$11.26
Market price at end of the period	---	$11.625

CONTACT: Rich Silver of The Colonial Group, 617-426-3750.

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COLUMBUS, GA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Synovus Financial Corp. (NYSE: SNV) today announced that recent regulatory examinations of Synovus and its banking affiliates have been completed, and that no increases in loan loss reserves or special charges to existing reserves were recommended at any of its banking affiliates as a result of such examinations.

Synovus banking affiliates holding 83 percent of its banking assets, including the $1.0 billion-asset Columbus Bank and Trust Co., were examined in the fourth quarter of 1990, with over 94 percent of Synovus' banking assets having been examined in calendar year 1990. The regulatory agencies which conducted these annual examinations of Synovus and its banking affiliates in 1990 included the Federal Reserve Board, the FDIC, the OCC and the Georgia and Alabama Departments of Banking.

In commenting on the announcement, Synovus' Chairman James H. Blanchard stated "We are really pleased with the results of our examinations and proud to have received this confirmation of the quality of our banking assets at this uncertain time in the economic cycle."

Synovus is a $2.8 billion-asset, multi-financial services company based in Columbus, Ga. SNV is composed of 14 Georgia, four Florida and two Alabama banking affiliates, a majority-owned, publicly traded bankcard data processing company, Total System Services Inc. (NYSE: TSS), and a broker/dealer company, Synovus Securities Inc.

CONTACT: Stephen L. Burts Jr., executive vice president and treasurer, 404-649-2197, or G. Sanders Griffith III, vice president, general counsel and secretary, 404-649-2267, both of Synovus.

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#90353p4673 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Justin Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: JSTN) announced today that the United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans yesterday affirmed a decision rendered last Sept. 25 by the Federal District Court in Fort Worth. The district court's decision denied a motion filed by a group led by Perry Sutherland and Barry Rosenstein. The group had sought an order requiring a new annual meeting of the company's shareholders to elect directors.

The Court of Appeals, treating the Sutherland/Rosenstein group's motion as a motion for a preliminary injunction, has remanded the case to the District

Court for further proceedings.

Justin Industries includes Justin Boot Company, Nocona Boot Company, and Tony Lama Company -- makers of the famed Justin(R), Nocona(R), and Tony Lama(R) footwear; Acme Brick Company -- the top domestically owned United States manufacturer of face brick; Ceramic Cooling Tower Company -- designer/builder of cooling systems for utility and commercial users, manufacturers of Permalite(R), Ultralite(R), and Unilite(R) cooling towers plus Tradewinds(R) evaporative air coolers for residential and commercial needs; Featherlite Building Products Corporation -- leading Southwest producer of concrete masonry products; and Northland Publishing Company -- publisher of fine books focused on the art and history of the American West.

CONTACT: Richard J. Savitz, vice president-finance of Justin Industries, 817-390-2412.

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#90353p4674 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Amoco Corporation (NYSE: AN) board of directors has elected John L. Carl, 42, vice president and controller effective Feb. 1, 1991.

Carl, who will join Amoco on Jan. 1, will replace Robert C. Carr, 49, who has been appointed vice president-planning and administration for Amoco Production Company.

Carl was most recently vice president and chief financial officer for National Computer Systems in Minneapolis.

Carl was vice president and controller for Kraft, Inc., based in Glenview, Ill., from 1986 to 1989, prior to joining National Computer Systems. From 1972 to 1986, he held positions of increasing responsibility with American Hospital Supply Corporation, Evanston, Ill., culminating as vice president and controller for the company's hospital sector.

The native of Huntington, Ind. is a 1970 graduate of Purdue University with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Economics. He earned a Master's Degree in Business Administration and Finance from Indiana University in 1972.

CONTACT: Mike Thompson, 312-856-5566, or C.T. Geary, 312-856-5388, both of Amoco Corporation

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#90353p4679 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEXINGTON, MASS. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Raytheon Company's (NYSE: RTN) board of directors today voted a regular quarterly dividend of 60 cents per

share payable Jan. 31, 1991, to stockholders of record Jan. 4, 1991.

CONTACT: Larry McCracken of Raytheon, 617-860-2431

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#90353p4685 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHPORT, CT (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Kleban and Samor, P.C., a Southport law firm, announced today that Furrari, Inc. has filed for protection from creditors and will seek to reorganize under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code.

Furrari, one of the region's largest fur dealers, sells its garments primarily through concessions it holds at Lord & Taylor stores, where it operates under the trade name Fur Salon, and at Alexanders, where it operates as Furmakers.

Kleban and Samor filed the petition for Furrari in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York. Furrari is headquartered at 307 7th Ave., New York.

The petition cites assets of $13.5 million and liabilities of $22.7 million.

Elliot I. Miller, of counsel to Kleban and Samor, will direct the case for Furrari. Miller also represents Antonovich, Inc., a retail furrier in the tri-state area that is operating under a Chapter 11 petition filed approximately a year ago.

"There has been great pressure on the fur industry from animal rights activists," Miller said. "In addition, the downturn in the economy, a warm start to the winter and a Korean company's takeover attempt have created too great a financial strain for Furrari."

Miller said Furrari previously filed a civil suit against Ronlee Apparel Company of Korea and the Republic National Bank of New York because of the bank's reneging on a $9 million credit agreement under apparent pressure from Ronlee.

"Ronlee previously sought to acquire Furrari, a privately held company. We believe we will prevail in litigation against Ronlee, and we have pledged to use any award in that case to pay current Furrari vendors and creditors," Miller said.

CONTACT: Michael J. London of Michael J. London & Associates, 203-261-1549, for Kleban and Samor.

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#90353p4686 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PONTIAC, MI (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Concord Drugs, Inc., a Michigan-based chain of ten drugstores, has named Marie Mazzara as controller. Mazzara has extensive accounting experience.

Prior to joining Concord Drugs, Mazzara was with Perry Drugs for three years and Chatham Super Markets for 15 years. Concord operates stores in Detroit, Mount Clemens, Lake Orion, Ortonville, Pontiac, St. Clair Shores and Warren.

CONTACT: Alan Stotsky of Concord Drugs, Inc., (313) 332-4090.

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#90353p4687 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Team, Inc. (AMEX: TMI), today announced operating results for its second quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990. Pre-tax earnings rose 73 percent to $2,685,000 compared to $1,554,000 in the same quarter last year, while revenues increased 43 percent to $28,780,000 from $20,146,000. Net earnings were $1,653,000, reflecting an increase of 72 percent from the same quarter last year.

On a fully diluted basis, earnings per share were $.35 for the quarter compared to $.31 for the second quarter of the prior year. The number of weighted average shares used in computing fully diluted earnings per share in the quarter increased 37 percent over the number of shares used in the second quarter of the prior fiscal year as a result of the completion in November 1990 of Team's public stock offering.

Team's President and Chairman of the Board, H. Wesley Hall, stated, "We are pleased with the results for the quarter, as revenues increased over the same period last year in each of Team's three divisions." Led by a growth in emissions monitoring and control services, revenues in the repair and specialty services division rose 36 percent. The company expects to continue the expansion of these services in order to assist its customers in complying with the requirements of the new Clean Air Act. In this regard, as previously announced, the company has completed its acquisition of Source Environmental Sciences, Inc., a professional environmental consulting firm specializing in air quality monitoring and related services.

In the transportation division, revenues rose 45 percent due primarily to increased demand in oilfield rental equipment and product related services. The division also continues to expand its industrial transportation business in the Houston area.

Revenues from the privatized services division's highway maintenance and repair services returned to near normal levels during the quarter. The division's revenues increased 57 percent over the second quarter of 1990, primarily as a result of increases from the federal sector, water consulting business and street repair contracts with the City of Houston.

Team, Inc. is a national service company providing environmental engineering and monitoring services to America's industrial facilities and repair and maintenance services to the public and private infrastructure. Headquartered in Houston the company has 57 operating locations in 24 states and serves the international market through licensee arrangements in 12 countries.

CONTACT: Russell G. Donham of Team, Inc., 713-659-3600.

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#90353p4689 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PROVIDENCE, RI (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Fleet/Norstar Financial Group (NYSE: FNG) today declared regular dividends of $3.00 per share and $1.625 per share on the corporation's Series I and II preferred stock, respectively, it was announced by Terrence Murray, chairman and chief executive officer.

The Series I and II preferred stock dividends will be payable on Jan. 15, 1991 to stockholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

Fleet/Norstar Financial Group is a diversified national financial services company listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Fleet/Norstar has approximately 1,000 offices in 40 states. Its lines of business include commercial and consumer banking, mortgage banking, consumer finance, asset-based lending, trust banking, student loan processing, and investment banking.

CONTACT: Robert W. Lougee, Jr., 401-278-5879; Bruce P. Crooks, 401-278-6241; or Charles T. Conway, Jr., 401-278-6240, all of Fleet/Norstar.

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#90353p4691 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DARIEN, CT (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Air Force has awarded Transact International Inc. (NASDAQ: TACT) a new $2.7 million contract for substantially upgrading the capacity of the existing air cargo handling facility at Dover Air Force Base in Dover, Del.

The work, which the Air Force has given a high priority, is expected to be completed by the summer of 1991, according to Transact. Dover is reportedly a key staging area for priority air cargo destined for "Operation Desert Shield" in Saudi Arabia.

In announcing the contract, Frank B. Carder, president of Transact, noted, "Right now, the U.S. Air Force is engaged in a massive airlift of men, equipment, vehicles, munitions and other cargo. It's gratifying to us to be one of the very few organizations in the world that can meet their unique

demands and help them get their job done. We're pleased that they asked us to work with them again at Dover."

Carder stated that the contract calls for replacing outmoded equipment with four new, dual-pallet Elevating Transfer Vehicles, each with a capacity of 15 tons and capable of fully automatic operation. There will also be 13 new staging docks, which provide the necessary link to move pallets or containers to and from the ETV storage facility and mobile aircraft loaders.

With the addition of this new contract, Transact reported that its backlog of orders as of Dec. 15, 1990, is approximately $14 million, compared to an order backlog of approximately $5 million a year earlier.

Transact International is a specialized design, engineering and manufacturing organization which produces air cargo handling systems for airlines, air freight companies, and the U.S. Air Force. The company's executive offices are in Darien, with manufacturing facilities in Memphis, Tenn.

CONTACT: John P. Nicoletti of Transact, 203-656-0777.

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#90353p4692 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTPELIER, VT (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Six new energy efficiency initiatives, designed to lower the electric bills of Green Mountain Power's (NYSE: GMP) customers and protect the environment, were announced today by the collaborative parties that developed them.

New conservation initiatives for both residential and commercial customers would be launched in 1991 under the plan, which was submitted Monday to the Vermont Public Service Board (VPSB) by GMP, the Department of Public Service, the Conservation Law Foundation (CLF), the Vermont Natural Resources Council (VNRC), and the Vermont Public Interest Research Group (VPIRG).

The plan calls for GMP to increase investments in conservation, spending $1 million over the next two years for residential programs, and $5 million for commercial programs. These programs are projected to save about 4 MW of capacity by the end of 1992. Additional programs, involving more funding and savings, are under negotiation.

The collaborative process that brought together environmental and public interest groups, state agencies and the utilities resulted from an order issued by the Vermont Public Service Board in 1988. The board, after lengthy hearings, called for enhanced energy efficiency initiatives and promoted the use of cooperative negotiations to achieve this goal.

Spokespersons for the various groups that worked together to develop the GMP proposal said further negotiations are being held on certain important

features of its long-range implementation plan. These issues are expected to be resolved by the time final program designs are submitted to the board.

In announcing the GMP programs today, the groups participating in the planning process said the current Mideast crisis and the resulting uncertainty about oil prices and supply has intensified the need for immediate energy efficiency investments.

They emphasized that the first round of efficiency programs is only the beginning, and that all of the parties will continue research and development of additional programs and measures needed for full achievement of least-cost planning.

Conservation and demand-side management, they said, has now become a permanent part of Vermont's energy planning, taking its place alongside power supply planning.

CONTACT: Thomas Boucher, assistant vice president of energy planning at Green Mountain Power Corp., 802-660-5620 (office), or 802-877-3420 (home); William Steinhurst, planning director at Public Service Department, 802-828-2811; Lewis Milford at the Conservation Law Foundation, 802-223-5992; Leigh Seddon, representative of Vermont Natural Resources Council, 802-223-2328.

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#90353p4696 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - All Nippon Airways (ANA) signed an agreement today with Airbus Industrie for 10 Airbus A340s, five firm and five options.

ANA is the first Far Eastern airline to announce an order for the ultra-long range A340. Deliveries will begin in 1996.

ANA has selected the larger of the two versions of the aircraft, the A340-300, but has the flexibility to switch to other members of the Airbus A330/A340 family. The A340s are ideal for non-stop long-range services, as well as thin routes to distant cities in the United States, Europe and other parts of the world into which ANA is expanding with new services.

The carrier previously ordered the short to medium-range Airbus A320, placing 13 firm orders and seven options, which will be delivered beginning early next year. The Airbus A320 and A340 have extensive commonality in cockpit and systems and will bring ANA important savings in training and maintenance.

Total commitments for the Airbus A330 and A340 now stand at 424 from 30 customers, including 220 firm orders.

CONTACT: Sandy Smith of Airbus Industrie, 703-834-3458.

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#90353p4697 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Norwest Corporation (NYSE:NOB) announced today terms for its offering of cumulative fixed rate perpetual preferred stock. The offering will be for $100 million at a dividend rate of 10.24 percent. This is an increase of $25 million from the originally-announced $75 million offering.

Underwriters for the offering are Merrill Lynch & Co., Dain Bosworth Incorporated, and Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated. Norwest Corporation is a $29.6 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking related and specialized financial services through 1,386 offices in 47 states and internationally.

CONTACT: Jack Kerr, 612-667-0148; or Robert S. Strickland (investor), 612-667-7919, both of Norwest

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#90353p4700 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - GATX Terminals Corporation in conjunction with joint venture partners Paktank International and Chicago Bridge & Iron Company, have opened a newly constructed petroleum storage terminal in Singapore. The $100 million facility is comprised of 35 tanks with over 3.2 million barrels of storage capacity.

"The Singapore transshipment market holds a viable future for distribution of petroleum products because of its excellent port facilities and ideal physical location at the hub of the one of the world's most progressive regions," stated Robert E. Claypoole, president, GATX Terminals.

"Since the mid 1970's GATX Terminals has operated a chemical terminal facility in Jurong Town. The new facility enables GATX Terminals to expand its Asian customer services to satisfy the rising petroleum product need in the region."

Located off the west coast of Singapore on the island of Pulau Busing, the terminal is self sufficient with three diesel powered generators providing power for utilities, buildings and the instrumentation at the terminal. The product transfer pumps for each product grade are also diesel engine driven.

The terminal is equipped with a state-of-the-art fire protection system with three diesel powered fire pumps, two fire trucks, foam systems on all tanks and jetties, and tank waterspray cooling systems on each tank. Communication with the mainland is done via wireless telephone.

GATX Terminals Corporation, a subsidiary of GATX Corporation (NYSE: GMT),

Chicago, is the largest bulk liquid public storage company in the world with 49 facilities in North America, the United Kingdom, Europe and Asia. GATX Terminals provides over 68 million barrels of storage capacity of bulk liquid commodities such as petroleum, chemicals, petrochemicals, and vegetable oils; and serves as a vital interface among distribution and transportation modes including railroads, ships, barges, trucks and pipelines.

GATX Corporation is a $3.3 billion asset-based services company which provides capital equipment and related services to use in various domestic and foreign industrial markets for rail, aircraft, bulk liquid storage terminals and pipelines, warehousing, and shipping. GATX Corporation (GMT) is listed on the New York, London and other stock exchanges.

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#90353p4701 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LEXINGTON, MASS. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Raytheon Company's (NYSE: RTN) board of directors today elected Robert A. Skelly a vice president of the $8.8 billion diversified electronics company. It was also announced that Skelly, who is currently the assistant to the president of Raytheon, will become the company's vice president of public and financial relations, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Skelly will replace Walter H. Palmer, who will become the vice president for external affairs. Palmer will fill the position vacated by Senior Vice President Charles W. Schmidt who is retiring at the end of this year.

Schmidt joined Raytheon in 1986, after serving as president and CEO of both SCA Services, Inc., and S. D. Warren Co.

In his new position, Skelly will be responsible for the corporation's public and financial relations, employee communications, advertising and executive communications activities.

Skelly, 48, joined Raytheon in 1969 as a subcontracts administrator at the company's manufacturing facility in Andover, Mass. He held increasing positions of responsibility including plant purchasing manager, manager of materials operations and administration manager for the 17,000 member Missile Systems Division, headquartered in Bedford, Mass. He has been in his current position since August 1989.

Skelly earned a bachelor's of arts degree from Boston College and an M.B.A. from Northeastern University. He and his family live in Chelmsford, Mass.

In his new position, Palmer will represent Raytheon with a variety of outside publics, including customers, universities and plant communities.

Palmer, 61, joined Raytheon in 1970 to direct the company's equal opportunity programs. In 1974 he assumed the additional responsibility of directing the company's public affairs and community relations activities. He was elected a vice president and moved to his current position in 1986.

Prior to joining Raytheon, Palmer served as president of the Boston Urban Coalition and prior to that as director of public affairs for the Associated Industries of Massachusetts.

He is vice chairman of the New England Foundation for the Arts and treasurer of the Boston Arts Fund. Palmer is a trustee of Cambridge College, the Cotting School, the New England Conservatory and the Carol DiMaiti Stuart Foundation.

CONTACT: Larry McCracken of Raytheon, 617-860-2431

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#90353p4702 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Expanding its commitment to the U.K., Wasserstein Perella Group Inc., the international investment banking firm, announced today the appointment of Sir Peter Levene KBE as deputy chairman of its U.K. company, Wasserstein Perella & Co. International, Ltd. Sir Peter will join Wasserstein Perella in 1991, following the completion of his responsibilities as Chief of Defence Procurement for the Ministry of Defence. Sir Peter also will become a managing director and shareholder of Wasserstein Perella Group Inc.

Sir Peter, 49, has served in his current position since March 1985 and as chairman of NATO European National Armaments Directors since 1989. He is widely credited with significant improvements in the cost effectiveness and efficiency of U.K. defense procurements. Previously, Sir Peter was an industrialist, most recently managing director and then chairman of United Scientific Holdings.

Sir Peter's appointment is the latest step in Wasserstein Perella's European strategy. Recently, the firm opened its office in Paris, formed an ECU 300 million Euro Mezzanine Fund with Banque Paribas and appointed Professor Franco Reviglio, formerly chairman of ENI and Minister of Finance of Italy, as a senior director. During 1990 Wasserstein Perella has advised, among others, BASF, Dentsu, Henkel, International Paper, Dairy Farm (of the Jardine Matheson Group) and Sankyo Pharmaceutical on European-related assignments, and is currently advising France Telecom in its consortium bid for Telefonos de Mexico. In the U.K., it has advised, among others, Beecham in the formation of SmithKline Beecham, International Paper in the acquisition of the Cookson Graphic Arts business and Burmah Castrol in its current bid for Foseco. In its U.K. merchant banking activities, Wasserstein Perella acquired Yardley

Lentheric in June 1990 from SmithKline Beecham and holds a significant investment in the U.K. supermarket retailer, Isosceles, both through the $1.06 billion leveraged buy-out fund which Wasserstein Perella manages.

Sir Peter Levene studied economics and political science at the University of Manchester. He is an Alderman (Ward of Portsoken) of the City of London. He is married and has three children. He will take up his appointment with Wasserstein Perella by mid-1991.

Wasserstein Perella Group, Inc. is a leading international advisory and merchant banking firm that represents client interests with respect to mergers and acquisitions, restructurings, takeover defenses, corporate sales and divestitures, corporate real estate, recapitalizations, leveraged buyouts, and related financings. WP Group also provides financial advisory-related services, such as fairness and adequacy opinions and evaluations. Through an affiliate, WP Group also acts as a principal in merchant banking transactions.

Headquartered in New York, Wasserstein Perella Group, Inc. has more than 100 professionals in eight offices around the world, including London, Paris and Tokyo.

CONTACT: Jeffrey A. Rosen of Wasserstein Perella, 071-491-5760 or 212-969-2666; Sir Peter Levene, 071-218-6304; Brian Basham of the Broad Street Group, 071-831-3113; or Davis Weinstock of Clark & Weinstock, 212-953-2550, for Wasserstein Perella.

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#90353p4703 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - R.P. Scherer Corporation announced today that it has completed the acquisition of Polysystems Limited, a United Kingdom-based company specializing in the development and marketing of the PULSINCAP(TM) drug delivery system.

Polysystems Limited is located in Clydebank, Scotland, and is the inventor of the PULSINCAP dosage form. Polysystems Limited has an exclusive worldwide option on the rights to develop and exploit the PULSINCAP device covered by patent applications owned by the U.K. government body, the British Technology Group.

Polysystems Limited has been acquired by R.P. Scherer Holdings Limited, the U.K. subsidiary of R.P. Scherer Corporation. The new management team at Polysystems Limited will be:

-- Dr. Harry Seager, managing director -- Dr. Howard Stevens, technical director -- Peter Virley, marketing director -- Lionel Tebbutt, finance director Dr. Seager said Tuesday, Dec. 18: "The PULSINCAP technology forms the basis of an exciting novel patentable oral drug delivery system, which is

entirely in tune with modern pharmaceutical thinking on the therapeutic importance of controlled pulsed delivery of medicaments to their site of action."

The PULSINCAP device is designed to release the drug and to provide a dose of medicament in the gastrointestinal tract at some predetermined time point. The device consists of a capsule composed of a water- insoluble body and a water-soluble cap. The drug formulation is contained within the capsule body and is sealed within this region by means of a hydrogel polymeric plug.

When the PULSINCAP formulation is swallowed and the product is exposed to gastric juice, the capsule cap dissolves and the hydrogel polymer swells. At a predetermined and controlled time point after ingestion, e.g. two, four, six or eight hours, (controlled by the size and position of the hydrogel plug) the swollen polymer is ejected from the PULSINCAP dosage form. The encapsulated drug formulation is then released into the small intestine or colon, where the active material dissolves in the intestinal fluid and is then absorbed into the blood stream.

PULSINCAP dosage forms will be used to treat diseases which require medication in a number of ways. For example, those requiring:

-- Morning dosing to give a pulse of drug at sometime later in the day when a circadian rhythm indicates the need for a dose of medicament, e.g. in the treatment of cancer and hormone therapy.

-- Evening dosing to avoid the effects of tolerance which may develop through the use of sustained release products, by delivering a pulse of drug at some time point in the night, e.g. to treat nocturnal asthma, to prevent morning stiffness in arthritics and to avoid morning cardiovascular stress, etc.

-- The intestinal or colonic delivery of drugs for the local treatment of gastrointestinal diseases.

-- The colonic delivery and systematic absorption of peptides and proteins.

The PULSINCAP dosage form can be formulated to contain a wide variety of drug substances produced by the pharmaceutical industry, and the technology has significant medical and commercial potential.

The PULSINCAP device provides an important extension to the existing rapidly developing drug delivery business of R.P. Scherer, based on the patented SCHERERSOL(R) softgel systems and the ZYDIS(R) fast-dissolving dosage form.

R.P. Scherer is a leading developer and manufacturer of drug delivery systems. Scherer's proprietary and patented drug delivery systems optimize the efficacy of drugs by regulating the dosage, rate of absorption, and place of release. In addition to being the world's largest developer and

manufacturer of softgels, Scherer's drug delivery range includes the patented SCHERERSOL and ZYDIS systems. The company operates a global network of 14 facilities in 13 countries. R.P. Scherer is now a subsidiary of RPS Corporation (OTC: RPCPP).

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#90353p4704 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHVALE, NJ (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Geritech Inc. today announced the signing of agreements forming a strategic alliance with Marion Merrell Dow Inc. (NYSE: MKC) (MMD) to develop and commercialize a new field of biomedical technology that holds increasingly strong promise for treating many health effects of diabetes and aging.

The alliance covers certain Geritech technologies stemming from discoveries, made at Rockefeller University, about biochemical reactions that appear to play an important role in diabetic complications. The Rockefeller scientists believe that these reactions also are involved in certain aging processes. This research has already led to human clinical trials of a drug called aminoguanidine for diabetic complications and eventually may yield treatments for some health effects of aging. The trials were supported by the successful completion of efficacy studies in numerous animal models.

The arrangements include a research and development collaboration through which the pivotal clinical trials of aminoguanidine and possibly other Geritech compounds will continue; a joint marketing agreement providing for the joint promotion of these compounds by both companies in North America and several important markets in Europe; an exclusive license to MMD for certain other important markets; and a manufacturing and supply agreement. Marion Merrell Dow also acquires an 8 percent ownership of Geritech and a right of first negotiation on certain ancillary technologies of the New Jersey-based firm.

Geritech receives significant initial payments under the agreements, a share of the profits from the joint marketing territories and royalties on MMD's sales in their licensed territories. Funding for future clinical development is provided by MMD.

Marion Merrell Dow is a major multi-national pharmaceutical company formed in 1989 through the merger of Marion Laboratories with the Merrell Dow Pharmaceutical Division of the Dow Chemical Company. Estimated 1990 sales are $2.4 billion and the company has approximately 9,000 associates (employees). MMD's focus is on research and development and strong sales and marketing. The merger almost doubled MMD's combined sales force in the U.S. to 1,100 representatives.

Geritech is a privately owned pharmaceutical and biotechnology company devoted to the research and development of therapeutics for diabetic and aging complications.

CONTACT: Charles A. Faden, president and CEO, of Geritech, 201-784-1010, or Anthony J. Russo or Karin Eskenazi or Claudia Mueller of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for Geritech.

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#90353p4708 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The United Steelworkers of America (USW) today said it will be notifying its full committee of local union presidents at all USX Corp. (NYSE: X) facilities to be in Pittsburgh on Jan. 7, 1991, for a resumption of negotiations.

Notification to the local union leaders was made by Andrew "Lefty" Palm, chairman of the USW's negotiating committee and John H. Reck, secretary to the committee.

The current contract expires Feb. 1, 1991. USX and union representatives began bargaining Oct. 15, but both sides suspended negotiations when they were unsuccessful in reaching an early agreement by Nov. 10.

"We've kept the door open for resumption of the process," Palm said, "and the groundwork has been laid for us to negotiate an agreement that meets the needs of our members."

Since the suspension of the negotiations, the USW has held numerous membership information meetings and has mailed a number of reports on the union's bargaining position to its members.

The USW represents about 18,000 workers in 27 local unions at USX mining and steelmaking operations located in seven states.

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#90353p4709 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) today announced its board of directors has declared a quarterly dividend of 33 cents per share, payable Feb. 1, 1991, to shareowners of record Dec. 31.

The common shares dividend will go to about 2.5 million shareowners.

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#90353p4710 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Minnesota state administration officials and IBM executives today announced a partnership agreement believed to be the nation's first in which a corporation has agreed to invest substantially in helping to improve the state's government and business practices.

Under the agreement, IBM will invest nearly $1 million and will join the Department of Administration's InterTechnologies Group in developing a series of computerized "expert systems" designed to transform service delivery to state citizens. The $1 million includes staff, software, equipment and services.

IBM Minnesota General Manager Art Wick said the partnership is an innovative approach to providing state services.

"Our agreement helps state government develop state-of-the-art technology," he said. "That translates into better services for Minnesota citizens."

Administration Commissioner Sandra J. Hale said the project will help the computer industry by advancing the development of expert systems.

Hale said the Department of Administration reached an agreement with IBM after a Request for Proposal process earlier this year. The agreement is part of the Alliances for Technology (AllTech) program which encourages the development of similar customer-driven technology products.

Expert systems are a field of artificial intelligence which shows great promise. An expert system "clones," or transfers, the knowledge of a human expert onto a software program. They can be used to more quickly provide quality state services to citizens from a variety of agency applications.

PEAKSolutions, Inc., a Bloomington-based software company, will be the subcontractor responsible for the actual development of the software. The first phase of the project will include testing the concept of a "solution factory" which would use expert systems to develop future expert systems, said Larry Walker, president of PEAKSolutions.

A number of expert systems applications already exist in the corporate sector, and government applications exist for education, welfare, transportation and health care. Harvard University's Dr. Jerry Mechling asserts that no other state government has undertaken such a broad-scale effort to apply expert systems technology toward solving public problems and providing improved customer service.

CONTACT: Sandra J. Hale, 612-296-3862; or Judith A. Pinke, 612-297-3988, both

of the Minnesota Department of Administration; or Ken Croken of IBM, 612-893-2117.

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#90353p4713 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Saudi Aramco and its U.S. affiliate, Aramco Services Company, have awarded contracts to Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation in Houston and Bugshan S&W Company Limited, Stone & Webster's Saudi Arabian affiliate, for pipelines program management projects, it was announced today.

The pipeline program includes detailed engineering, materials procurement support, construction management, and project management services for a number of pipeline projects in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

The contracts are for services to be provided over a number of years in both the United States and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for a new and upgrading of existing gas and oil pipelines in the northern, southern and central areas of Saudi Arabia.

Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation, a subsidiary of Stone & Webster, Incorporated (NSYE: SW) of New York City, engineers and constructs oil/gas processing, petrochemical, chemical, environmental, electric-power transportation, industrial and civil-works facilities around the world. With headquarters in Boston, Stone & Webster has full-service offices in New York, Houston, Denver, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Cherry Hill, N.J., and affiliates in Toronto, Canada and Milton Keynes in the United Kingdom.

CONTACT: Martin Reynolds of Stone & Webster, 617-589-1905

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#90353p4715 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Malaysia Fund Inc. (NYSE: MF) has declared the annual distribution from net income in the amount of $.21 per share, payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Warren J. Olsen, president of The Malaysia Fund, 212-296-7100

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#90353p4716 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Louis V. Gerstner Jr., 48, chairman and chief executive officer of RJR Nabisco, Inc., has been elected to the board of directors of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company (NYSE: T).

His election increases board membership to 20.

Gerstner, who has headed RJR Nabisco since April 1989, formerly was president of American Express Company and chairman and chief executive officer of its American Express Travel Related Services Company subsidiary.

He joined American Express in 1978 as president of its American Express Card Division and executive vice president of American Express Company and rose through several assignments before being named president of the parent company in 1985.

Before joining American Express, Gerstner served as a director of McKinsey & Co., Inc., which he joined in 1965.

He received a B.A. degree from Dartmouth college and an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School.

Gerstner is a director of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, Caterpillar, Inc., and The New York Times Company.

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#90353p4717 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Home Depot (NYSE: HD), the nation's largest home center retailer, today announced that it plans to open its first store in the Baltimore area during the summer of 1991.

The store, which will have approximately 100,000 square feet of inside selling area and a 30,000-square-foot outdoor lawn and garden center, will be located at the intersection of Highway 10 and Ordnance Road in Glen Burnie, Md.

The company also plans to open a store of similar size in White Marsh, Md., at the corner of Route 40 and Mohrs Lane but has not yet set an opening date. By the end of 1993, The Home Depot expects to be operating a total of at least four Home Depot stores in the Baltimore area.

According to Home Depot Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Bernard Marcus, "The move into the Baltimore area has been prompted by exceptional opportunities to join with The Price Club as a co-anchor at their shopping center developments in Glen Burnie and White Marsh."

The move into Baltimore is part of The Home Depot's effort to increase its presence in the northeastern United States. The company opened its first store in the Northeast in January 1989 and now operates a total of ten stores in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut.

Despite the relatively weak regional economy, those stores are among the busiest in the company and they continue to set new sales records. Over the long term, The Home Depot believes that the Northeast has the potential to become one of the company's largest markets.

Atlanta-based Home Depot currently operates 137 stores in 12 states. Founded in 1978, the company is now widely regarded as the leading retailer in the home center industry.

Its warehouse-style stores stock approximately 30,000 different kinds of building materials, home improvement and lawn and garden products which are sold primarily to do-it-yourselfers. The Home Depot's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "HD" and is included in the Standard & Poors 500 Index.

CONTACT: Ronald M. Brill, senior vice president and CFO, (404) 431-2727, or Lonnie Fogel, (404) 431-2666, both of The Home Depot.

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#90353p4721 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Ultimap Corporation (NASDAQ: UMAP) reported today that the resolution passed by the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners terminating its software license agreement is invalid.

"We have been advised by our legal counsel that the effect of our filing a bankruptcy petition early this morning is to put all contracts in abeyance," a company spokesperson said. "The termination vote by the County is therefore ineffective. We will continue to give full service and support to our customers. In the event of dispute, issues will be resolved by the bankruptcy court.

"Ultimap intends to continue seeking new equity financing. We hope that the County will negotiate software and copyright issues with us to permit our full development of the product. We feel it is in the County's best interest and would result in a significant cash payment to them."

Ultimap Corporation develops, markets and sells geographic information systems. Ultimap International Corporation is traded on the NASDAQ over-the-counter market under the symbol UMAP.

CONTACT: Ed Shelleny of Ultimap, 612-854-2382 or 800-541-1591

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#90353p4722 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Reliable Life

Insurance Company (NASDAQ: RLIF), at a meeting held today, declared regular quarterly dividends of thirty cents on each Class A common share, and two and eight-elevenths cents (2-8/11) on each Class B common share, payable March 1, 1991,to stockholders of record on Feb. 1, 1991.

CONTACT: Gregory P. LaVigne, treasurer of The Reliable Life Insurance, 314-968-4900.

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#90353p4723 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - As 1990 draws to a close, Shell Canada will have recorded its largest corporate contributions and donations program. More than $5.2 million will have been contributed to non-profit Canadian cultural, health, educational, and environmental organizations, the company said today.

Shell's contributions program supported higher education at Canadian universities and technical colleges with more than $1.5 million in 1990. In addition, across the country Shell's donations program paid out more than $800,000 in Ontario, $798,000 in Alberta, and $500,000 in Quebec. Another $1.3 million supported programs and institutions in other areas of Canada where the company has its operations.

Among the major projects supported in 1990 were the following: the establishment of 43 new scholarships at 21 universities and technical colleges across the country; the addition of the Vancouver Symphony to complete the Shell Student Concert programs across Canada; the Western Heritage Centre in Alberta; the YM/YWCA Building Campaign in Winnipeg; the Mt. Sinai Hospital in Toronto; the Montreal Neurological Institute, and the Izaak Walton Killam Children's Hospital in Halifax.

In June 1990, the company launched the Shell Environmental Fund, a program that provides up to $5,000 per project and $1 million per year towards environmental initiatives by community groups and individuals across the country. During its first six months of operation, the Shell Environmental Fund approved 166 projects for $340,000.

''I am proud of Shell Canada's continuing record in community support,'' said Jack MacLeod, president and chief executive officer. ''We are also pleased to add to our program an environmental focus through the Shell Environmental Fund. The success of this Fund and the worthiness of programs and institutions supported through our contributions program help to fulfil the growing and changing needs of our society.''

Shell Canada also supports community groups in which employees volunteer their personal time. The Community Service Fund, managed by employees, provides up to $1,500 each to qualifying organizations.

CONTACT: Phyllis Konrad of Shell Canada Limited, 403-691-2082

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#90353p4724 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HARTFORD, CT (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The world's newest wide-cabin trijet powered by Pratt & Whitney's most advanced jet engine was certified yesterday for commercial revenue service by the Federal Aviation Administration.

The McDonnell Douglas MD-11 with PW4000 turbofans completed a rigorous seven-month certification program which included some 258 flights totaling 373 flight hours.

"This represents a significant milestone in the PW4000 program," said Selwyn Berson, president of Pratt & Whitney's Commercial Engine Business. "It culminates a tremendous effort by a dedicated team of Douglas Aircraft and Pratt & Whitney employees. Their commitment to customers meant they often worked around the clock to ensure the product was ready to fly."

To date, 13 customers have placed orders and options worth a potential $3.8 billion for up to 475 PW4000s powering 132 MD-11s. The PW4000 is the most powerful engine Pratt & Whitney has ever built. Rated at 60,000 pounds of thrust for the MD-11, the PW4000 family is designed to grow to 100,000 pounds for future airline needs.

Since entering revenue service in 1987, the PW4000 has logged more than 1,200,000 flight hours. It is widely recognized for the advantages it provides airlines in terms of lower operating and maintenance costs, superior fuel efficiency and its higher thrust growth potential. In addition, it offers the highest degree of commonality on all wide-body aircraft types.

The PW4000 reduces long-term cost of ownership through extended parts life. This is achieved through improved materials, better cooling efficiencies, lower turbine operating temperatures and by having the highest life-cycle limits for disks and hubs of any engine in its class.

Digital electronic controls contribute strongly to the PW4000's reliability. It is the only engine in its thrust class equipped with a third-generation full-authority digital electronic engine control (FADEC). This system precisely meters fuel flow and controls cooling air, thrust management and all other critical engine functions.

The PW4000 has been selected by Air Outre Mer, ADO Finance, China Airlines, China Eastern, Delta Airlines, International Lease Finance Co., GATX, JAT, Korean Airlines, LTU, Minerve, Singapore Airlines, and Swissair to power new MD-11 aircraft.

Pratt & Whitney is a unit of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX), based in Hartford, Conn.

CONTACT: Dave Long or Peg Ford, both of Pratt & Whitney, (203) 565-9600.

-30- 2718

#90353p4726 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Parker Drilling Co. (NYSE: PKD) stockholders re-elected two directors and ratified the accounting firm Coopers & Lybrand as independent accountants for the coming year. Company directors re-elected for three-year terms are James W. Linn and David L. Fist.

Linn, 44, joined Parker in 1973 and has held several posts in both domestic and international operations. In 1979, he was named senior vice president of the company. Fist, 59, a Tulsa lawyer, is president of the law firm Rosenstein Fist and Ringold. Following the meeting, the directors re-elected 15 company officers for the ensuing year.

Parker is a worldwide oil and gas drilling contractor with operations in 15 countries.

CONTACT: Tim Colwell of Parker Drilling Co., (918) 585-8221.

-30- 964

#90353p4727 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Communications Workers of America announced that it would increase its activity in apprising all parties affected by AT&T's (NYSE: T) hostile bid for NCR (NYSE: NCR) of the telephone company's recent dismal record in its treatment of its employees. CWA President Morton Bahr today asked for the assistance of the AFL-CIO in identifying NCR shares held by union and public employee pension funds nationwide.

"We will let the managers of these funds know that we believe this proposed merger is bad for NCR, bad for AT&T, and bad for the shareholders and employees of both companies," Bahr said.

Bahr's action came following an emergency meeting in Chicago of CWA local leaders who represent 80,000 of the 110,000 AT&T employees covered by CWA contracts.

"AT&T has gone from a company that cared about its employees and treated them with dignity and respect, to a company that betrays its employees at every turn," explained CWA Vice President Jim Irvine, who called for the emergency meeting. "We want NCR employees to know that we have seen the future with

AT&T and that future looks bleak."

Irvine warned that AT&T's commitment to retain all NCR employees should the deal go through is, "just one more empty promise." Citing AT&T's current plans to violate the collective bargaining contract with the union in a large layoff of employees in its "Network" group, he said, "In the past I would have urged NCR employees to 'get it in writing,' but even that doesn't count with AT&T management anymore. Their promises aren't worth the paper they are written on. They begin violating the contract before the ink is dry."

The Chicago meeting was a prelude to a CWA executive board meeting scheduled for mid-January at which the union's current situation at AT&T will be discussed and a strategy to deal with the telecommunications giant will be further developed. This will be followed by a three-day session for all CWA locals, with members at AT&T, aimed at finalizing the union's strategy and plan of action.

Today's announcement follows by two weeks a letter sent by Irvine to NCR Chairman Charles Exley which cited a series of AT&T anti-worker actions. Irvine told Exley that the interests of NCR's employee stakeholders would be best served by rejecting the AT&T bid and he offered Exley the full assistance of his office in fending off the unwanted takeover.

CWA represents more than 600,000 working women and men in the United States and Canada.

CONTACT: Steve Rosenthal of the Communications Workers of America, 202-728-2390.

-30- 2782

#90353p4728 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DRESHER, PA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Selas Corporation of America (AMEX: SLS) announced today that it has received $5 million in new orders.

Stephen F. Ryan, president and chief executive officer of Selas, said the orders include one totalling more than $4 million from the glass industry. It is for the manufacture of two horizontal continuous roller hearth furnaces for laminated glass windshield bending for Societa Italiana Vetro (SIV), San Salvo Italy.

One furnace will be installed in the new SIV laboratories for research work. The other furnace is a production line which will be installed at SIV's existing San Salvo factory. The orders will be executed by Selas S.A., Paris and Selas Italiana, Milan. The other order, totaling approximately $1 million is for the domestic supply of two pit-type vacuum furnaces.

Selas Corporation of America is an international design, development,

engineering and manufacturing company.

CONTACT: Stephen F. Ryan of Selas, (215) 283-8402.

-30- 1158

#90353p4730 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - MGI Properties, an equity real estate investment trust (NYSE: MGI), announced today a quarterly dividend of 20 cents per share for the fourth quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, payable Jan. 16, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 9, 1991.

W. Pearce Coues, chairman of the board of trustees, stated that, as in past years, results of the Trust's fiscal 1990 operations will be released upon completion of the Trust's fiscal 1990 audit which is expected to be on or about Jan. 4, 1991.

Coues also noted that during the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, the Trust had reduced its investment in office properties through the disposition of its 89,100-square-foot Gatewood Office Building in Fairfax, Va. For financial reporting purposes, the Trust incurred a capital loss on this transaction of $360,000. Since the Trust's tax basis in this property was lower than its financial reporting carrying value, MGI will realize a gain for federal income tax purposes of approximately $1.7 million. Coues stated that the decision was made in light of the highly overbuilt nature of the Fairfax market. He noted that the 1990 performance of this asset was modestly negative, and 1991 results for this property were expected to deteriorate had the Trust not effected the transaction. Following this disposition, the Trust's portfolio on Nov. 30, 1990, was approximately 95 percent leased, which includes an aggregate 88 percent occupancy for the Trust's remaining office buildings.

CONTACT: Phillip C. Vitali, executive vice president and treasurer of MGI Properties, 617-330-5335

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#90353p4734 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The USS division of USX Corp. (NYSE: X) confirmed today that contract negotiations will resume in Pittsburgh Jan. 7 aimed at reaching a new basic labor agreement with the United Steelworkers of America. The four-year agreement expires Feb. 1, 1991.

"We were disappointed that we were unable to reach an agreement in the round of early bargaining between Oct. 15 and Nov. 10," said Thomas W. Sterling, vice president-employee relations for the USS division. "We remain optimistic that we can reach an agreement prior to the Jan. 31 deadline that will be in the best interests of all concerned."

CONTACT: Thomas R. Ferrall of USX, (412) 433-6899.

-30- 867

#90353p4735 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OKLA. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - A flurry of deep gas drilling contracts recently awarded to Parker Drilling Co. (NYSE: PKD) were announced today at the company's annual meeting of shareholders.

"There is a definite resurgence in deep activity and Parker Drilling appears to be the beneficiary," said Robert L. Parker, president and chief operating officer. "In the past few weeks, four significant contracts for deep wells in the U.S. have been awarded to our company," he added.

The upturn in ultra-deep activity comes on the heels of the crisis in the mid-east, an event that is given partial credit for the domestic deep drilling programs. "With the current Persian Gulf situation, the environment is promising for a resurgence in natural gas," Parker told shareholders. "Some of these contracts are the result of the operators' speculation that natural gas demand and prices will steadily increase over the next several years," he added.

The four deep contracts include two 25,000-ft. wells in the Anadarko Basin; one for Park Avenue Exploration and the other for Exxon Co., U.S.A. Additionally, in Wyoming, a 25,000-ft. test for Louisiana Land & Exploration Co. (NYSE: LLX) will spud in January while in Colorado, a 20,000-ft. well for Mobil Exploration and Producing U.S. Inc. has commenced.

Other current ultra-deep projects include a 26,000-ft. well for Coastal Corp. (NYSE: CGP) in the Delaware Basin of West Texas; a 19,000-ft. well for TEX/CON Oil & Gas Co. in the Anadarko Basin; and a 17,500-ft. hole for Chevron, U.S.A. Inc. (NYSE: CHV) in Lincoln County, Wyo.

Deep drilling is not contained to the U.S., either, said Parker. In Colombia, two Parker SCR electric rigs are drilling twin 17,000-ft. wells for BP Exploration Co. Ltd. in the Llanos, east of Bogota.

At the annual meeting, two directors, James W. Linn, senior vice president of Parker Drilling and David L. Fist, president of the Tulsa law firm Rosenstein, Fist and Ringold, were re-elected for three year terms. In addition, the accounting firm Coopers & Lybrand were ratified as independent auditors for fiscal 1991.

CONTACT: Tim Colwell of Parker Drilling Co., 918-585-8221

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#90353p4737 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Vincent L. Salvatori, president and CEO, stated: "It is with mixed emotions that we accept the resignation of Bruce Sundlun as chairman of the board of QuesTech, Inc., due to his assumption of elected office. We will miss his valued counsel and participation in the affairs of the corporation, which he has given so selflessly over the last two decades. However, we are pleased that the people of Rhode Island have recognized his considerable talents and have elected him their governor."

Salvatori will assume the duties of the chairman.

CONTACT: V.L. Salvatori, president and CEO, QuesTech, Inc., 703-760-1005.

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#90353p4738 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Sara Lee Corporation (NYSE: SLE) today announced that the State Property Agency of the Republic of Hungary has accepted its offer to acquire a major interest in Compack Trading and Packing Company, Hungary's third largest food company. Terms of the offer, which are subject to approval by the Sara Lee board of directors, were not disclosed.

Headquartered in Budapest, state-owned Compack is Hungary's largest coffee roaster. Compack also produces and sells teas, spices, rice and household products. Annual sales for Compack are $140 million.

"Sara Lee is very pleased with this partnership, which will expand our coffee and grocery positions into Eastern Europe," said John H. Bryan, chairman and chief executive of Sara Lee Corporation. "Compack's product line perfectly complements Sara Lee's European coffee and grocery businesses. This represents a substantial commitment which we believe will offer significant long-term benefits to Sara Lee as well as to the consumers of Hungary."

The joint venture will be managed by Sara Lee/DE, N.V., the Netherlands-based company that operates Sara Lee Corporation's coffee, grocery, and household and personal care businesses in Europe.

Sara Lee Corporation, an international food and consumer products company, markets a wide variety of brand-name products including Hanes, Hanes Her Way, L'eggs, Champion, Kiwi, Ball Park, Jimmy Dean, Douwe Egberts, Dim and, of course, Sara Lee.

CONTACT: E. Ronald Culp, 312-558-8457, or E. Denise Stovell, 312-558-8691, both of Sara Lee

-30- 1770

#90353p4739 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - While retailers throughout the United States are enduring one of their weakest holiday seasons in recent memory, the liquidation of 85 remaining Salkin & Linoff junior department stores and specialty shops in the upper Midwest is producing better-than-expected results.

"Sales are going very well, surpassing our original projections," said Paul Buxbaum, executive vice president of Buxbaum Ginsberg & Associates, the Encino Calif.-based firm operating the liquidation. "We expect to complete the sale by Jan. 10."

Buxbaum reported today that approximately 75 percent of the merchandise has been sold to date, with inventories now consolidated in 30 stores. "By next week, we'll be down to about 25 stores," he said. Goods are now being sold at 50 percent off.

"The public's strong response to the sale can be attributed, in part, to the fact that many of the stores are located in small communities where they had been local retail fixtures for decades," Buxbaum commented. "Across the board, though, it's been a matter of offering good, current merchandise at very low prices during the peak selling season of the year. Cash-strapped consumers are looking for all the bargains they can get."

The sale began in mid-November in 85 stores operating under the names Bostwicks, S&L, Nina B, Stevensons, Hurrah!, Morrey A, and Wrangler Wroost. The stores are located in enclosed malls, strip centers and central business districts in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and the Dakotas.

In addition to merchandise inventories, store fixtures and equipment, Buxbaum Ginsberg is also offering leases on the 85 units as well as 18 locations that were previously closed.

Inventories, fixtures and leases on 90 additional stores stretching from Maine to California were sold before the liquidation began to Retail Holdings, a newly formed company.

Established in 1921, Salkin & Linoff operated some 250 stores at its peak. The company filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in February 1990.

CONTACT: Paul Buxbaum, executive vice president of Buxbaum Ginsberg & Associates, 612-938-3551; or Bill Parness of Parness & Associates, 201-290-0121, for Buxbaum Ginsberg.

-30- 2410

#90353p4740 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald T. Marshall, chief executive officer of Sun Distributors L.P. (NYSE: SDP), announced today that a cash distribution of $.091666 has been declared for each Class A limited

partnership interest to holders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

The distribution will be payable Jan. 31, 1991.

In recognition of the fact that Class B (NYSE: SDPB) holders will be required to make estimated tax payments during 1991 based on 1990 taxable income, the company said it intends to make monthly advance tax- related cash distributions during 1991. In accordance with this policy, an initial tax-related cash distribution of $.011027 has been declared for each Class B limited partnership interest to holders of record Dec. 31, 1990, payable Jan. 31, 1991. Future monthly advances will be at the discretion of the company's general partner and will be revised when the final tax-elated cash distribution amount for 1990 is determined. A final tax-related cash distribution for 1991 will be paid in March 1992.

CONTACT: Louis J. Cissone of Sun Distributors, 215-665-3650

-30- 1271

#90353p4742 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Holiday travelers will get a real deal on The Trump Shuttle Dec. 23 through Jan. 1, 1991 -- more than 30 percent off the weekday fare, plus a chance to win a stay in Atlantic City, N.J., Trump-style.

From Dec. 23, 1990, through Jan. 1, 1991, travelers can fly The Trump Shuttle between New York and Boston or New York and Washington all day Monday through Friday and on Sundays from 4 p.m. and after for just $99 one way (a $43 savings off the regular $142 peak fare). No flight will cost more than $99 during this 10-day period, since Trump Shuttle one-way fares all day Saturday and through 3 p.m. Sundays are just $92.

To accommodate travelers 65 and over or 24 years and under, Trump Shuttle will honor youth and senior fares, including FlightPass coupons, on every Trump Shuttle flight during this 10-day promotion.

All customers on Trump Shuttle flights departing New York/LaGuardia during this period will have the chance to win an overnight stay at a luxurious Trump property in Atlantic City.

Two winners per flight will receive a free night's stay at either Trump's Taj Majal, Trump Castle, Trump Plaza or Trump Regency. The two winners will be selected via random drawing on board each Trump Shuttle flight departing New York's LaGuardia Airport during the 10-day period. No purchase is necessary; entry forms will be available at the Trump Shuttle LaGuardia ticket counter. Individuals must be 21 years of age or older to enter. The promotion is void where prohibited. Hotel prizes may vary by flight and are valid through March 31, 1991 (blackout dates and some restrictions apply).

The following is the holiday flight schedule for The Trump Shuttle, during which time the $99 fare is in effect:

Sunday, Dec. 23 Every other hour on the odd hour, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday, Dec. 24 Every other hour on the odd hour, 7 a.m.-9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 25 Every other hour on the odd hour, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 26 Hourly, 7 a.m.-9 p.m.(A) Thursday, Dec. 27 Hourly, 7 a.m.-9 p.m.(A) Friday, Dec. 28 Hourly, 7 a.m.- 9 p.m.(A) Saturday, Dec. 29 Every other hour on the odd hour, 7 a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 30 Every other hour on the odd hour, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday, Dec. 31 Every other hour on the odd hour, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 1 9 and 11 a.m., 1 p.m., then hourly through 9 p.m.(A)

(A) -- Also 10 p.m. flights between Boston and New York. Regular Monday-Friday every hour-on-the-hour Trump Shuttle flight schedule will resume Wednesday, Jan. 2.

The Trump Shuttle provides every hour-on-the-hour all jet service between New York City and both Washington and Boston Monday through Friday, with shuttle service on weekends also available.

Trump Shuttle customers arriving at the gate prior to scheduled departure time are guaranteed a seat without prior reservation; the airline has additional aircraft and crews on standby in each city to meet demand. All Trump Shuttle Boeing 727 jetliners are equipped with air-to-ground phones. Customers can earn generous mileage in the worldwide OnePass frequent flyer program on all Trump Shuttle flights.

For flight information, customers should contact their travel agent, corporate travel department, a Trump Shuttle ticket counter, or Trump Shuttle reservations at 800-247-8786.

CONTACT: Joan Fudala of The Trump Shuttle, 718-397-6120.

-30- 3601

#90353p4743 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, MD. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of The Ryland Group Inc. (NYSE: RYL) today elected Roger W. Schipke chairman and chief executive officer of the company.

He replaces Charles E. "Ted" Peck, who is retiring after reaching the age of 65 on Dec. 1. Under Peck's leadership from 1981 to 1989, Ryland's stockholders' equity grew from $44 million to $206 million.

Schipke, 53, has been president of the company since May 1990. He came to Ryland from GE, where he was senior vice president, GE Appliances, from 1981 to 1990. Revenues more than doubled under his management.

"Although he is assuming the leadership role in a difficult time for the homebuilding industry, our mortgage finance operations are continuing to grow, and I believe that upcoming market conditions will provide Roger with as many opportunities as challenges in the future," said Peck. "His experience in managing large businesses will help Ryland achieve its goal of significant long-term growth."

In other business, the board declared a regular dividend of $.15 per share to holders of record on Jan. 15, 1991, payable Jan. 30. The Ryland Group reported revenues of $334 million for the first nine months of 1990. Net earnings for the first three quarters were $17.9 million.

Ryland is one of the nation's most diversified homebuilders, with operations in 17 states and more than 30 markets. Ryland Mortgage Co., its wholly owned subsidiary, originates and services mortgages, issues and administrates mortgage-backed securities and manages RAC Income Fund (NYSE: RMF) and RAC Mortgage Investment Corp., a real estate investment trust (NYSE: RMR). The company's headquarters are in Columbia.

CONTACT: Nancy L. Smith of The Ryland Group, (301) 730-4176.

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#90353p4744 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, CO (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - NBI Inc. (NYSE: NBI) announced a reduction in force of 73 individuals nationwide today; 27 were in the company's Boulder headquarters.

This restructuring action was necessary to respond to an eroding systems service revenue base. NBI will continue to provide service to its customers through the same local offices.

NBI designs and markets advanced word processing software. NBI has been a leader in the word processing industry for more than a decade and provides customer service and support to a wide base of system users in domestic and international locations.

CONTACT: Donna Miller of NBI Inc., 303-938-2440.

-30- 827

#90353p4746 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARLSTADT, NJ (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Cliff-Engle, Ltd., today reported revenues and earnings for the second quarter and first half ended Oct. 31, 1990.

Revenues for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 were $1,889,446, compared to revenues of $1,773,000 during the second quarter of fiscal year 1990. Net

income for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 was $90,786 or $.02 per fully diluted share (4,173,100), compared with $6,595 or nil per fully diluted share (2,889,750) for the same period last year.

Revenues for the first half of the 1991 fiscal year were $3,255,443, a 34 percent increase over revenues of $2,434,587 reported for the first half of fiscal 1990. Net income for the first half ended Oct. 31, 1990 was $106,321, or $.02 per fully diluted share (4,293,000), compared with a loss of ($219,558) or ($.08) per fully diluted share (2,899,750) for the same period in fiscal 1989.

Bob Polsky, Cliff-Engle's president, commented, "These results are most encouraging in light of the current retail environment and the warm weather that has been present across most of the country this fall. We have come a long way in the past year toward stabilizing our business. With our return to good health, we have again had an opportunity to commit time and energy toward developing new products for future seasons. We are very optimistic that these products, added to our present lines, will produce increased growth in the future."

Cliff-Engle, Ltd., designs, manufactures and markets sweaters and "sweater-sweats" and logoed and screen-printed shirts that are officially licensed by the National Football League, Major League Baseball, National Basketball Association, the National Hockey League and more than 75 colleges and universities throughout the country.

CONTACT: David S. Lawi, 203-629-1400, for Cliff-Engle

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#90353p4752 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DULUTH, MN (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the Chromaline Corporation has authorized the repurchase of up to 50,000 outstanding common shares. Shares may be purchased in the market or in private transactions. Prior to any repurchase the company had 883,676 shares outstanding.

The Chromaline Corporation develops, manufactures and markets photochemical imaging systems which are distributed worldwide to the screenprinting industry.

CONTACT: Thomas L. Erickson of Chromaline, 218-628-2217.

-30- 678

#90353p4754 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - SFFed Corp. (NASDAQ: SFFD) today released the following financial highlights:

SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

AS OF NOV. 30, 1990
(Unaudited)
(000s omitted)

	RATE (Percent)	TOTAL INTEREST EARNING ASSETS:
Investments	6.50	$141,556
Real estate loans receivable	10.50	2,692,034
Mortgage-backed securities	9.16	309,009
Consumer and other loans	12.06	162,597
Total	10.28	$3,305,196
INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES: Customer deposits:		
Regular passbooks	5.28	40,847
Money market passbooks	6.54	186,314
Demand deposits	5.79	397,860
Jumbo C.D.'s	8.27	370,387
Other C.D.'s	8.16	1,411,205
Wall Street C.D.'s	9.71	99,611
Total Deposits	7.69	2,506,224
Other	8.85	730,940
Impact of hedging activities	0	0
Total	7.95	$3,237,164
Interest bearing liabilities over (under) interest earning assets		($68,032)

	Maturity/Rate Sensitivity			
	0-6 Months	7-12 Months	1-3 Years	Over 3 Years
INTEREST EARNING ASSETS:				
Investments	141,551	5	0	0
Real estate loans receivable	2,256,922	141,634	81,708	211,770
Mortgage-backed securities	223,916	4,161	14,968	65,964
Consumer and other loans	101,471	2,774	8,922	49,430
Total	2,723,860	148,574	105,598	327,164
INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES: Customer deposits:				
Regular passbooks	2,042	1,940	7,004	29,861
Money market passbooks	9,316	8,850	31,948	136,200
Demand deposits	397,860	0	0	0
Jumbo C.D.'s	247,022	100,501	15,364	7,500
Other C.D.'s	877,560	419,615	91,371	22,659
Wall Street C.D.'s	99,611	0	0	0
Total deposits	1,633,411	530,906	145,687	196,220
Other	295,882	159,869	142,519	132,670
Impact of hedging activities	100,000	0	0	(100,000)
Total	2,029,293	690,775	288,206	228,890
Interest bearing liabilities over (under) interest				

earning assets	(694,567)	542,201	182,608	(98,274)
Cumulative difference (gap)	(694,567)	(152,366)	30,242	(68,032)
Cumulative gap as a percentage of interest earning assets	(21.01)	(4.61)	0.91	(2.06)

	RATE (Percent)
Earning asset yield less interest bearing liability rate	2.33
Interest rate margin on earning assets	2.49
Interest rate margin on total assets	2.37

	Over 3 years
OTHER SELECTED DATA:	
Total assets	$3,470,516
Ratio of classified assets to total assets (percent)	1.77
Ratio of nonperforming assets to total assets (percent)	1.48

	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE
Loans originated	$ 57,877	842,319
Loans purchased	0	390
Loans sold	16,766	306,017
Mortgage-backed securities purchased	0	64
Mortgage-backed securities sold	0	19,089
Customer deposits, net increase (decrease)	8,843	(97,751)

CONTACT: Marilu Rumolo-Boucher of SFFed Corp., 415-955-3083.

-30- 4616

#90353p4757 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - When Randye Worth, co-founder and chief nutritionist for R.W. Frookies, Inc., a New Jersey based company which manufactures and markets Frookie Cookies and other "good-for-you" products, says that her company is defending against the year's most hostile takeover, the means business.

Military business, that is, R.W. Frookies announced today its donation of over 120,000 servings of "good-for-you" products for Christmas for Operation Desert Shield's U.S. troops involved in the gulf crisis.

Frookies' donation was selected among thousands of applicants and shipped out of Norfolk recently by the Defense Personnel Support Center as part of their carefully planned official Christmas dinner package. Worth was then acknowledge by Navy officials who were on hand at a Naval Aviation Supply Conference in Philadelphia where appreciation for Frookies' generous support was extended on behalf of the armed forces.

"We are extremely proud to have been chosen as part of the U.S. military's official Christmas dinner package," said Worth. "Of course, everybody would prefer the troops to be with their families over the holidays -- but if they can't be home for Christmas, the least we could do is bring a little bit of home to their Christmas."

R.W. Frookies' donation included Frookies Animal Frackers, one of the company's most popular varieties of their all-natural, no cholesterol, low in saturated fat, fruit-juice-sweetened product line.

Frookies come in twelve great flavors, including: Apple Cinnamon Oatbran, 7-Grain Oatmeal, Chocolate Chip, Mandarin Orange Chocolate Chip, Mint Chocolate Chip, Ginger Spice, Oat Bran Muffin, Oatmeal Raisin, Animal Frackers and Ginger boys and girls.

R.W. Frookies, Inc. also produces and markets Fruitins, tasty whole-wheat bars wrapped around real fruit, which come with apple or fig fillings, and Fibbers, high fiber, all-natural, peanut-butter flavored cookies. All Frookie products are available nationally in specialty, gourmet, and grocery stores.

CONTACT: Christy J. Less of H/K Communications, 212-983-1212, for R.W. Frookies.

-30- 2327

#90353p4761 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - A $9.6 billion lawsuit against Hughes Aircraft Company that claimed the company installed defective parts in a government equipment has been dismissed.

The suit by Michael C. Denlinger was dismissed in U.S. District Court in Santa Ana at the request of Hughes and with the consent of Denlinger. In a June 1989 secret court filing, he charged Hughes with $3.2 billion in fraud under the Civil False Claims Act. The amount claimed is automatically tripled.

After a nine-month investigation, the Justice Department in February of this year declined to join in the suit against Hughes. Denlinger pursued the lawsuit on his own and in November Hughes moved to dismiss the case, citing evidence that the problem claimed by Denlinger was solved with the cooperation of the Department of Defense and other companies years before the suit was filed.

Hughes and the defense electronics industry in 1985 discovered that a part called a dual in-line package integrated circuit would sometimes crack when subjected to certain manufacturing processes. During that time, Hughes developed and used new manufacturing techniques that would prevent the problem and inspected all inventories to remove any potentially defective circuits.

As an additional assurance of quality, Hughes provided extended warranties on its equipment sold to the government.

CONTACT: Richard Dore of Hughes Aircraft Company, 213-568-6324.

-30- 1643

#90353p4762 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CONSHOHOCKEN, PA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Quaker Chemical Corp. (NASDAQ: QCHM) today declared a quarterly dividend of 13 cents per share, payable on Jan. 30, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 18.

In making the announcement, Peter A. Benoliel, chairman of the board, noted that the dividend declared represents and increase of approximately 13 percent over the dividend paid in 1990 and that the current increase represents the 18th consecutive dividend increase dating back to 1972 when the company's shares became publicly traded.

Additionally, Benoliel advised that the board of directors approved a capital budget for 1991 that contemplates an increase in excess of 30 percent over anticipated capital expenditures in 1990.

CONTACT: Karl H. Spaeth, vp and corporate secretary of Quaker Chemical, 215-832-4000

-30- 1055

#90353p4763 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Airlease Ltd., a California Limited Partnership (NYSE: FLY) said today its directors approved the fourth quarter 1990 cash distribution of 63 cents per unit. The distribution will be payable Feb. 15, 1991, to unitholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

On Dec. 3, 1990, Continental Airlines filed for bankruptcy under Chapter 11 of the U.S Bankruptcy Code. The partnership owns an undivided one-third interest in seven Boeing 737-200 aircraft on lease to Continental. The partnership's investment in the aircraft represents 17 percent of total annual 1990 revenues for the partnership and 8 percent of its total assets as of Nov. 30, 1990. The lease rental due to partnership for the seven aircraft is $268,333 per month, or $0.06 per month on a per unit basis.

As a result of the filing, Continental has not paid its monthly lease payment due Dec. 3, 1990. An Airlease spokesman said that it is likely that the January payment also will not be paid. Under certain provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, Continental has 60 days from the date of filing in which to pay its past due rents and assume its lease obligations or return the aircraft (in which event the aircraft would be available for re-lease or sale). The

non-receipt of rents or early return of the aircraft would adversely affect the partnership's cash available from operations from which future cash distributions are made.

The General Partner is closely monitoring the Continental bankruptcy proceedings and will take such action as it believes to be in the partnership's best interest.

CONTACT: Nancy Riess of U.S. Airlease Ltd., 415-627-9329.

-30- 1856

#90353p4765 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Mail Boxes Etc. (MBE) (NASDAQ: MAIL) announced today that it has selected United Parcel Service (UPS) as its preferred overnight mail and parcel shipper for 1991. "UPS was selected because of its ability to provide 99.9 percent on-time delivery service to more areas in the USA at a substantially lower price than any of its competitors," said Tony DeSio, MBE president and CEO. MBE expects to ship more than 500,000 overnight letters and packages for its customers next year.

Mail Boxes Etc. operates the largest chain of private postal and business service centers in the world with more than, 1,300 locations in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico and Japan.

CONTACT: A.W. (Tony) DeSio, CEO of Mail Boxes Etc., 619-455-8800

-30- 942

#90353p4767 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Leslie H. Wexner, chairman and chief executive officer of The Limited, Inc. (NYSE/LSE/TSE: LTD), today announced that it will increase selling square footage by 23 percent in 1991. This expansion will enlarge The Limited's projected year end 1990 selling base of 17.1 million square feet by four million square feet in 1991. The added selling square footage will result from the addition of about 600 new stores and the remodeling and expansion of approximately 250 existing stores, bringing the total number of stores by the end of 1991 to approximately 4,500.

In making the announcement, Wexner said, "Clearly this expansion reflects our confidence in the future and our ablility to look beyond current economic conditions. I believe the continued positive customer response to our merchandising, large store formats and the growth of our new businesses, coupled with our financial strength, has enabled us to achieve our 1991 real estate goals before the year has begun. We are now focusing on 1992 and beyond."

Wexner added, "We expect that our 1991 capital expenditures, currently

estimated at $500 million, will be funded principally out of operating cash flow as was the case in 1990. Also in 1991, we will complete construction of the 1.89 million square-foot distribution center and office facilities in Reynoldsburg, Ohio."

The Limited, Inc., through Lerner New York, Limited Stores, Lane Bryant, Express, Victoria's Secret, Structure, Limited Too, Abercrombie & Fitch, Cacique, Henri Bendel, Victoria's Secret Bath Shops, Bath and Body Works and Penhaligon's presently operates 3,861 specialiaty stores and distributes apparel nationally through the Victoria's Secret, Lerner Direct, Lane Bryant Direct and Roaman's catalogues.

CONTACT: Alfred S. Dietzel of The Limited Inc., 212-439-4200

-30- 2024

#90353p4770 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, CT (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to news media inquiries, Bridgeport Hydraulic Company (BHC) confirmed today that it was granted an increase in its annual revenues of 15 percent, or $6,983,000, by the Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control (DPUC).

In granting rate relief to BHC, the DPUC singled out the company as a "well-managed operation (that) provides good quality water at a reasonable price..."

The DPUC awarded BHC 71 percent of the $9,819,000 increase in annual revenues that the company had requested.

In disallowing roughly one-quarter of BHC's revenue request, the DPUC observed that "the constructive criticism and disallowances noted are all marginal to what is by and large a quality operation.

"In the areas of watershed protection, regionalization and distribution of water resources, and continuing commitment to quality water at an affordable price," the DPUC added, "Bridgeport Hydraulic Company is a leader."

The company said it anticipates that new rates for BHC's 102,000 customers could be placed in effect in January 1991.

Because the new rates will not constitute an across-the-board increase, the amount by which water rates may rise for each class of customer cannot be calculated until new rate schedules are designed by BHC and approved early next year by the DPUC.

BHC noted, however, that rates for its customers in the town of Litchfield will not yet be equalized with those rates paid by its other customers, but instead will rise by the same dollar amount that its other customers will pay

as a result of the rate increase.

The largest water company in Connecticut, BHC and its Stamford Water Company subsidiary, which maintains separate rates, serve a population of 500,000 in 18 communities in Litchfield, New Haven and Fairfield counties. BHC is a subsidiary of The Hydraulic Company (NYSE: THC).

CONTACT: Frederick A. Iannotti of BHC, 203-336-7628 or at home, 203-334-5142.

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#90353p4772 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - John Nuveen & Co. Incorporated today announced the initial public offering of the Nuveen Insured Quality Municipal Fund.

A total of 33 million shares of common stock, priced at $15 per share, was registered by the newly organized, closed-end municipal bond fund, bringing the offering size to $495 million. If the underwriters' overallotment of 3.3 million shares is exercised in full, the total offering will rise to $544.5 million.

Fund shares began trading today on a when issued basis on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol NQI. All bonds in the portfolio will have the timely payment of their principal and interest guaranteed by AAA-rated insurers or by escrow accounts containing U.S. government of U.S. government agency securities.

Alex. Brown & Sons Incorporated served as lead manager for the underwriting. Co-managers included PaineWebber Incorporated, John Nuveen & Co. Incorporated, Prudential-Bache Capital Funding, Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. Incorporated, A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc., Kemper Securities Group, Inc., and Legg Mason Wood Walker Incorporated.

The Fund will be managed by Nuveen Advisory Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of John Nuveen & Co. Incorporated. Nuveen Advisory Corp is the manager for 17 other Nuveen exchange-traded funds and 14 open-end fund portfolios with total combined assets or more than $13 billion.

The Fund's primary investment objective is current income free from federal income tax. A secondary investment objective is the enhancement of portfolio value through the selection of undervalued or underrated securities.

The Fund expects to declare its first tax-free dividend to shareholders about 60 days, and pay it about 90 days, after the closing of this offering.

Approximately three to six months after completion of this offering, the Fund intends to offer shares of preferred stock, subject to authorization by the Fund's board of directors. The preferred shares, if issued, are expected to

pay dividends based on short-term tax-exempt rates.

Nuveen has sponsored more than $40 billion of tax-free trusts and funds owned by over 700,000 investors nationwide. Founded in 1898 and headquartered in Chicago, Nuveen is the nation's oldest and largest investment banking firm specializing in the underwriting, trading and marketing of municipal bonds, and of tax-free unit trusts, mutual funds and exchange-traded funds.

For more complete information, including a prospectus which explains all charges and expenses, investors should contact their securities representatives or John Nuveen & Co. Incorporated, 333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Ill. 60606. Investors should read the prospectus carefully before they invest or sent money.

CONTACT: Jeff Kratz, 312-917-7749, or Chris Cosentino, 212-684-4440, both of John Nuveen & Co.

-30- 3090

#90353p4774 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) and Hughes Aircraft conducted a successful test of an Advanced Interdiction Weapon System (AIWS) prototype air vehicle Dec. 10 at the Naval Weapons Center in China Lake Calif.

The air vehicle was launched from an F-4 aircraft and flew autonomously for 21 nautical miles to a pre-determined target point before pop-up and recovery by parachute.

The AIWS is a low-cost, multipurpose, air-to-surface weapon system being developed for the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps for short- to medium-range standoff missions. It is designed to defeat various targets with submunition and unitary warhead payloads from standoff distances greater than that achievable in current systems.

The development of this baseline weapon system, which can be complemented with new variants and enhanced through pre-planned improvements, will meet future mission and performance needs. AIWS will replace the current inventory of standoff weapons, such as Maverick, Skipper, Walleye, and the laser guided bomb.

The AIWS team of McDonnell Douglas Missile Systems and Hughes' Missile Systems Group sponsored this demonstration to verify safe separation from the aircraft, aerodynamic performance and control, and integrated guidance avionics. Currently nearing completion of the demonstration and validation phase of this program, the companies also used the test to confirm the soundness of their design and to reduce schedule and technical risks.

The contractors will share data compiled from the test with the Navy for joint analysis.

The air vehicle was launched from approximately 15,000 feet at Mach 0.61. Global positioning satellites were tracked prior to launch by an antenna mounted on the F-4, and by the vehicle's own antenna after launch.

The McDonnell Douglas/Hughes team, with cooperation from several subcontractors, assembled this prototype AIWS air vehicle in about nine months.

The two companies are jointly performing overall weapon system definition, system engineering, design and development tasks. McDonnell Douglas Missile Systems, as prime contractor, leads in mission planning, aircraft integration, airframe design and logistics. Hughes' Missile Systems Group provides avionics integration, seeker and data link technologies. The teaming arrangement provides for a near 50/50 division of tasks and responsibilities.

McDonnell Douglas produces the Harpoon anti-ship, Dragon anti-tank and Tomahawk cruise missiles. Hughes produces the Maverick air-to-surface and TOW anti-tank missiles, as well as the Phoenix and AMRAAM air-to-air missiles. The two companies are also teamed on the Standoff Land Attack Missile (SLAM) and the Advanced Air-to-Air Missile (AAAM) programs.

McDonnell Douglas Missile Systems is a division of McDonnell Douglas Corp., St. Louis. Hughes Aircraft Co., of Los Angeles is a subsidiary of GM Hughes Electronics.

CONTACT: Barbara Huddleston of McDonnell Douglas Missile Systems Co., 314-234-2689.

-30- 3248

#90353p4776 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Ameritech today declared a 7.6 percent increase in its quarterly dividend, raising it six cents to 85 cents per common share, or $3.40 on an annual basis. The new quarterly rate is payable Feb. 1, 1991, to shareowners of record Dec. 31, 1990.

"This is the seventh dividend increase by Ameritech since the company's start in 1984," said Ameritech Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William L. Weiss. "Today's action balances the need for providing a solid return for our investors with the development needs of our business."

"Looking ahead, 1991 will be a challenging year. First, we are making the transition to incentive regulation in territories that represent more than 50 percent of our telephone revenues. Second, we continue to aggressively invest in new technologies and explore business development and growth opportunities worldwide. Third, while the Midwest economy continues to exhibit strength, we

face uncertainty in the U.S. economy. These factors necessitate careful management of our financial resources," Weiss said.

With assets of $21.5 billion, Chicago-based Ameritech has some 264 million common shares outstanding, held in nearly 1.1 million shareowner accounts.

Ameritech is the parent of five Bell companies serving the Great Lakes region, and other information-related companies providing mobile communications, directories, lease financing, voice messaging and audiotex services domestically and internationally. Ameritech's 1989 revenues were $10.2 billion.

CONTACT: Mike Brand, 312-750-5219, or Steve Ford, 312-750-5205, both Ameritech

-30- 1795

#90353p4780 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Piper Capital Management Incorporated announces an offering of 4,000,000 shares of American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1996, a registered investment company whose shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange and the Midwest Stock Exchange, at $10 per share.

The offering is co-managed by Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated; Advest, Inc.; McDonald & Company Securities, Inc.; Prescott, Ball & Turben, a division of Kemper Securities Group, Inc.; Raymond James & Associates, Inc.; and Wedbush Morgan Securities.

The trust's investment objectives are to provide a high level of current income and to return $10 per share to investors on or about Mar. 31, 1996. The trust will invest primarily in mortgage-backed securities that have adjustable interest rates.

The trust is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated, an investment adviser with $3.6 billion in assets under management. The firm is a wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, a full-service investment firm founded in 1895.

A prospectus containing more complete information on the American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1996, including all charges and expenses, may be obtained by calling Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Incorporated at 1-800-333-6000, ext. 6974. Investors should read the prospectus carefully before investing.

CONTACT: Nancy Strom Solhaug of Piper Capital Management, (612) 342-6384.

-30- 1641

#90353p4784 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Dorchester Hugoton Ltd. (NASDAQ: DHULZ)

announced today the Partnership's regular quarterly cash distribution of 5 cents per Unit for the fourth calendar quarter of 1990. The distribution covers fourth quarter receipts for natural gas production and is payable on Jan. 18, 1991 to depositary receipt holders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

The Partnership also announced today that on Dec. 6, 1990, Preston A. Peak, P.A. Inc., James E. Raley, James E. Raley Inc., Dorchester Hugoton Ltd. and Hugoton Nominee Inc. filed counterclaims in the 134th Judicial District Court of Dallas against Howard C. Wadsworth and Howard C. Wadsworth (Inc) in response to the lawsuit filed by Howard C. Wadsworth and Howard C. Wadsworth (Inc) on Sept. 20, 1990. At this time, the Partnership does not anticipate that such litigation will have a material adverse impact on its financial condition.

Dorchester Hugoton Ltd., is a Dallas-based producer of natural gas and its Depositary Receipts are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol DHULZ.

CONTACT: Preston A. Peak of Dorchester Hugoton Ltd., 214-739-2002

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#90353p4793 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MINN. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Deluxe Corporation (NYSE: DLX) announced today it has entered into an agreement in principle to purchase Electronic Transaction Corporation (ETC), a national check authorization service with its headquarters in Seattle, Wash.

ETC is one of the largest providers of check authorization services in the United States. In 1985, it introduced SCAN (Shared Check Authorization Network), a network of retailers who share information on dishonored checks and closed accounts. More than 50 of the nation's largest retailers currently participate in the SCAN network. ETC's 1990 revenues are expected to be approximately $5,000,000.

The terms of the proposed purchase were not disclosed. The transaction is expected to be complete before year end.

Deluxe Corporation is an industry leader in providing products and services to the financial payment systems industry. The company is the nation's largest check printer and also provides electronic funds transfer (EFT) software and processing services, ATM card services, new- account verification services, and sales development services to financial institutions. Deluxe's Business Systems Division produces a variety of computer and business forms and related products for small businesses and professional practices. The company's Consumer Specialty Products Division markets greeting cards, gift wrap, stationery, and a variety of related products to households.

CONTACT: Stuart Alexander, 612-483-7358 or Charles M. Osborne, 612-483-7355, both of Deluxe

-30- 1738

#90353p4796 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Interphase Corp. (NASDAQ: INPH) today announced revenues of $28,575,660 for its fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990, up 39 percent compared to revenues of $20,502,645 for the last fiscal year. Revenues for the fourth quarter were $8,630,555 up 42 percent compared to revenues of $6,084,604 for the same period last year.

The company incurred a net loss of $3,689,213 or $1.11 per share for the year compared to a net loss of $106,920 or 3 cents per share for the previous year. The loss for the year ended Oct. 31, 1990 was primarily due to a combination of losses from consolidating the operations of OMNI Solutions Inc., a subsidiary, and a one-time write-off of assets associated with the decision to cease further operations at OMNI. Interphase reported a profit of $310,600 or 9 cents per share for the fourth quarter compared to a net loss of $330,220 or 10 cents per share for the same period of 1989.

Interphase president Michael E. Cope stated, "I think a 39 percent revenue growth rate for the year and return to profitability in the fourth quarter, tells a solid story. Also, our marketshare is stronger than ever, and good things seem to be happening for 1991."

Interphase is a leading manufacturer of high performance network controllers, disk and tape controllers, and SCSI host bus adapters for the VMEbus, EISA and Multibus markets, and the Sun Microsystems aftermarket.

INTERPHASE CORP.

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31,		Year Ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$8,630,555	$6,084,604	$28,575,660	$20,502,645
Net Income (Loss)	310,600	(330,220)	(3,689,213)	(106,920)
Net Income (Loss) per common & common equivalent share	$0.09	($0.10)	($1.11)	($0.03)
Weighted average common & common equivalent shares	3,350,685	3,329,898	3,333,470	3,079,901

CONTACT: Mark A. Floyd of Interphase Corp., 214-919-9000.

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#90353p4801 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Atrix International, Inc. (Local OTC) announced today that Timothy M. Hanson has joined the company as chief financial officer. The company was formed in October 1990 when Atrix Tool, Inc. merged with Tiempo Equities, Inc.

Prior to joining Atrix International, Hanson was chief financial officer and treasurer of Bartley Lindsay Company of Minneapolis, a plumbing, heating and well distributor with annual sales of $54 million.

From 1979 to 1989, he was chief financial officer, treasurer and part owner of Auto-Miles Warehouse, Inc., an automotive aftermarket warehouse distributor to Auto Parts Pro stores. While at Auto-Miles, he also served as director of operations, credit manager and marketing director.

Atrix President and CEO Clifford B. Meacham said, "We are delighted that Mr. Hanson has joined the Atrix management team. His experience in long-range planning, cash flow management and financial forecasting will prove invaluable to our organization."

A certified public accountant, Hanson holds a bachelor of science degree in accounting from Mankato State University. He lives in Eden Prairie with his wife and three children.

Atrix International is a world leading supplier to field service technicians in the computer and electronics industries. The company manufactures and markets printed circuit board transport cases, vacuums for copier and laser printer maintenance, and static protection products.

The company is a distributor of electronic hand tools as well as a full line of instrumentation and diagnostic products and custom assembles tool kits. With 3,632,544 shares outstanding, Atrix International common stock is traded on the local over-the-counter market in the Twin Cities and the company has applied for listing on the NASDAQ system.

CONTACT: Edwin Neuger, 612-333-6621 or 929-0945 (home); or David Neuger, 612-699-6730 (home), both of Edwin Neuger & Associates, for Atrix.

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#90353p4803 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
IRVING, TEXAS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Exxon Corporation (NYSE: XON) announced today the formation of a new division that will provide computer services in the exploration and production business to the corporation and its affiliates.

The new division, to be called the Exxon Upstream Technical Computing Company,

was formed by consolidating operations of three existing Houston based computer centers.

F.M. Perkins has been named president of the new division. Perkins will continue as president of Exxon Production Research Company.

The three computer units involved in the consolidation were operated by Exxon Production Research Company, Exxon Company, U.S.A.'s Exploration Data Processing Center and Exxon Company, International ventures group.

The new division's headquarters will be in Houston.

CONTACT: Exxon public affairs, 214-444-1107, 214-444-1108, or 214-444-1109

-30- 1081

#90353p4804 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

STERLING, VA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Radiation Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: RADS), today announced that it has been awarded a $55 million contract from Associated Universities, Inc., a representative for the National Science Foundation.

The contract is for the design, fabrication, installation and testing of a 100-meter diameter radio telescope which will be operated by the National Radio Astronomy Observatory at its observing site in Green Bank, W.Va.

Richard E. Thomas, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Radiation Systems, said this award culminates the company's finest quarter for contract bookings. Added to the $34.4 million contract reported earlier, this month's bookings for the quarter will exceed $100 million.

Thomas said that Radiation Systems was selected on the basis of a superior technical and cost proposal and because Radiation Systems has the facilities, manpower and experience to deliver an antenna system having the quality and operational performance required by the specifications. The company's Technical Products and Universal Antennas Divisions and Loral Western Development Laboratories will jointly design and engineer the telescope. Mexia Fabricators Division will fabricate the antenna structure, while site work consisting of foundations, roads and structural erections at Green Bank, will be accomplished utilizing West Virginia contractors and labor where possible.

Thomas concluded by stating that RSI employees were extremely excited about the prospects of building this most precise instrument.

Radiation Systems, Inc. designs, manufactures and installs a broad range of antenna systems for radar, air traffic control, tactical military, satellite earth stations, terrestrial microwave and other specialized uses throughout

the world.

CONTACT: Richard E. Thomas, chairman and chief executive officer, or Mark D. Funston, vice president finance, Radiation Systems, Inc., 703-450-5680

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#90353p4807 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - National Health Care Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: NHCS), which operates DentiCare, a prepaid dental plan, announced today that they have been awarded a contract to provide dental insurance coverage for the Bakers and Confectioners Western Conference Dental Fund.

The unions, with 6,800 members located throughout California, has already begun open enrollment in the DentiCare plan. The plan, which is administered by Zenith Administrators, will be effective Jan. 1, 1991.

"This is our second major union contract in less than a month. Our exceptional network of over 2,000 provider dentists allows DentiCare to offer the best possible service to groups of this type who are spread throughout the state," said Dr. Carl E. Bozzo, National Health Care Systems president.

National Health Care Systems Inc. owns and operates DentiCare, a capitated prepaid dental plan operating throughout California. The company offers its prepaid dental benefit packages to employer groups as well as to individuals and small groups. DentiCare, with over 2,000 contracting dentists in their plans, has experienced an average growth rate of 32 percent in their subscriber base over the past year.

CONTACT: Carl E. Bozzo, CEO, or Robert S. Wathuny, CFO, 714-553-1577, both of National Health Care Systems Inc.

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#90353p4808 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Diamond Shamrock Offshore Partners, (NYSE: DSP) the master limited partnership of Maxus Energy Corp. (NYSE: MXS), announced today that a discovery has been made on federal lease 12079 South Pass 72, (100 pct. DSP) a block located offshore Louisiana.

The well logged approximately 50 feet of net gas pay in multiple sands within the Lower Pleistocene section. Additional development drilling is planned in the South Pass area in 1991, with initial production expected in mid-1992.

DSP acquired the lease in the March 1990 lease sale at a cost of $1.25 million.

Maxus Energy Corp., the general partner of DSP, is one of the largest exploration and production companies in the world.

CONTACT: Phyllis Sammons, 214-953-2831; or Doug Graham, 214-953-2819, both of Maxus Energy Corp.

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#90353p4811 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Department of Veterans Affairs has awarded a $153 million contract to Lockheed Integrated Solutions Company of Santa Clara, Calif., to automate and integrate its information systems nationwide.

The National Office Automation for the Department of Veterans Affairs (NOAVA) project is the largest automated data processing contract ever awarded by VA. A major component of VA's long-term strategy to integrate and modernized information systems, the contract award will allow for a single provider for equipment, including hardware and software, training and technical support. NOAVA will augment or integrate existing automation systems throughout a network that includes VA headquarters in Washington, field offices of the National Cemetery System and the Veterans Benefits Administration, as well as 172 medical centers.

The term of the contract ends Dec. 18, 1991, with options for nine one-year extensions. More than 450 vendors received the request for proposal; five submitted proposals. Digital Equipment Corporation is the largest subcontractor for the NOAVA project. The company has been involved in VA's Decentralized Hospital Computer Program, one of the existing information systems that will be integrated with NOAVA.

CONTACT: Department of Veterans Affairs, Office of Public Affairs, 202-233-2741.

-30- 1557

#90353p4814 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

COLUMBIA, SC (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Visitors to the Bill of Rights exhibit during its 4-day stay at the South Carolina State Fairgrounds are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items and deposit them in a truck provided by Kraft General Foods, a subsidiary of the tour's sponsor, Philip Morris Companies Inc. (NYSE: MO).

Kraft General Foods will help fill the truck, donating food from the company's more than 2,500 products. The food items will be used by The Oliver Gospel Mission to feed residents in the Columbia area.

"The truck filled with food could mean a bountiful holiday for Columbia's less fortunate. Kraft General Foods is proud to support the efforts of The Oliver Gospel Mission in this undertaking. It seems particularly appropriate as our

parent company brings the Bill of Rights exhibit to Columbia," said Thomas Ricke, senior vice president, corporate affairs at Kraft General Foods. The free exhibit is open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on December 20-22 and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on December 23.

The Bill of Rights Tour is presented by Philip Morris Companies, Inc., the world's largest producer of consumer packaged goods. Its major domestic operating companies include Kraft General Foods, Miller Brewing Company and Philip Morris U.S.A. In South Carolina, Kraft General Foods has eight facilities.

CONTACT: Mary Taylor, 212-878-2140, or Taggarty Patrick 212-880-4097, both of Philip Morris Companies, Inc.

-30- 1610

#90353p4818 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Sandy Corporation, the publicly traded (AMEX: SDY) consulting, training and communications company, today reported preliminary quarterly results of $59,000 pre-tax profit on $9,105,000 revenue, the highest first quarter in its twenty year history.

CONTACT: Peter Steffes of Sandy, 313-649-0800

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#90353p4822 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of The Columbia Gas System Inc. (NYSE: CG) approved a 1991 capital expenditure program of $600 million for System operating units, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer John H. Croom announced today.

The 1991 program continues the system's aggressive growth in historic and non-historic markets and the expansion of its oil and gas exploration and development activities. Columbia expects to spend about $620 million on capital projects in 1990.

Total oil and gas expenditures are expected to be $195 million in 1991. Of the total, $110 million will be spent for oil and gas activities in the Southwest and Rocky Mountain areas, $55 million in the Appalachian Basin and $30 million in Canada. Approximately $100 million of the total oil and gas program will be spent on development activities.

Transmission capital expenditures are expected to be $270 million in 1991. Of this amount, $126 million or 47 percent is targeted for business expansion projects.

Distribution expenditures for 1991 are expected to be $115 million. Of the

total, $46 million or 40 percent is targeted toward new business, including the addition of an estimated 33,500 new residential and commercial customers.

Columbia's expenditures of $20 million on other capital programs will be devoted primarily to developing cogeneration projects and to the expansion of Columbia's retail propane markets.

The Columbia Gas System is one of the nation's largest natural gas systems. Subsidiary companies are engaged in the exploration, production, purchase, storage, transmission, and distribution of natural gas. Columbia companies serve, directly or indirectly, more than 8 million customers in 14 states and the District of Columbia.

CONTACT: W.R. McLaughlin of Columbia Gas, 302-429-5443.

-30- 2009

#90353p4829 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Texas Petroleum Holdings Inc. (NYSE: UTH) announced that its board of directors has determined to discontinue efforts to sell the entire company as one of the alternatives to enhance shareholder value, because to date no acceptable proposal has been received for the entire company. In addition, the board directed the company to continue to pursue the sale of the company's United States onshore and offshore exploration and production businesses and its hydrocarbon products businesses as well as other restructuring alternatives to enhance shareholder value. The company also stated that no assurance can be given that the activities will result in any transaction.

One of the nation's largest independent producers, Houston-based Union Texas Petroleum Holdings Inc. explores for and produces oil and gas in the United States and overseas and has petrochemicals and natural gas processing interests.

CONTACT: Carol L. Cox of Union Texas Petroleum, 713-968-3258

-30- 1169

#90353p4831 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - JTN Acquisition Corp. announced today that, in its litigation against Justin Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: JSTN), the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals found that Justin had violated the federal securities laws, that the election of directors at the March 1990 annual meeting was "tainted," and remanded the case to the district court for an expedited hearing on permanent relief, including JTN's request to set aside the results of the annual meeting and to order a new election of directors.

JTN is seeking to acquire Justin pursuant to a pending $18 cash tender offer

for up to 6,177,825 shares.

Justin's board failed to disclose until five months after the 1990 annual meeting that they had amended the company's bylaws in November 1989 to make it more difficult to remove directors. The circuit court found that Justin's directors, who were re-elected in March 1990, "might not have been unopposed if they had disclosed the entrenching bylaw changes," and found that investors "could well consider the bylaw changes material."

The court found that the district court erred in the test of materiality it applied and noted that "(t)here is little reason to give target boards an incentive to withhold changes to bylaw provisions."

JTN also alleged that the current board failed to timely disclose its decision to enact golden parachutes for its top executives. The circuit court found that, if, in fact, "the decision to implement the golden parachutes was made well before the (annual) meeting," "the board should have disclosed that fact" because, "the average investor probably would be interested to know when directors facing a hostile takeover enact lucrative severance contracts designed to entrench management."

The circuit court affirmed the denial of preliminary relief, and ordered the district court to hold an expedited hearing on the issues regarding permanent relief which could include setting aside the 1990 annual meeting and ordering a new election of directors.

JTN is a newly formed entity organized and led by Perry H. Sutherland of Sutherland Lumber in Kansas City and New York investor Barry S. Rosenstein, on behalf of a group which has been involved in a continuing effort to acquire Justin.

CONTACT: Perry H. Sutherland, 816-756-3000, or Barry S. Rosenstein, 212-708-3777, both of JTN Acquisition Corp.; or Brian Maddox of Georgeson & Company, 212-440-9862, for JTN Acquisition.

-30- 2660

#90353p4835 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

HERSHEY, PA. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Hershey Foods Corp. (NYSE: HSY) today announced that it has completed a definitive agreement to purchase the American Italian Pasta Co. (AIPC).

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed and the transaction is currently being reviewed by the Department of Justice. American Italian Pasta Co. operates a state-of-the-art pasta manufacturing facility in Excelsior Springs, Mo.

"We are very pleased to announce our intent to acquire the American Italian

Past Company," said Richard A. Zimmerman, chairman and chief executive officer of Hershey Foods Corp. "The purchase of AIPC will fit very well with out strategic objective of plant modernization and improved production efficiency, as well as providing additional capacity for our growing pasta business. AIPC's product quality makes it a natural fit with the Hershey family."

American Italian Past Co. President Richard Thompson said, "I personally feel that becoming a part of a fine company like Hershey Foods Corporation is the best long-term strategic move for American Italian Pasta Company and its team."

Hershey Foods, through its Hershey Pasta Group division, is one of the nation's leading pasta manufacturers. Hershey Pasta Group currently manufactures and markets nine brands, including: American Beauty, Delmonico, Light 'n Fluffy, Pastamania, Perfection, P & R, Ronzoni, San Georgio and Skinner.

CONTACT: Natalie Bailey of Hershey Foods, 717-534-7631

-30- 1644

#90353p4836 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - MorningStar Foods Inc., a Dallas- based dairy processor, announced today that it has commenced an offer to purchase $75 million aggregate principal amount of its 13 percent Senior Subordinated Debentures due 2000 for $480 per $1,000 principal amount of debentures as part of a comprehensive plan to restructure the company. The offer to purchase the debentures will expire Wednesday, Jan. 16, 1991, unless extended. The restructuring plan will be financed with a proposed $140 million in senior secured financing led by The Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan, New York Branch, as agent and NMB Postbank Groep N.V. and an additional $11,500,000 of new equity financing from an unaffiliated investor group.

James A. Back, MorningStar's president and chief executive officer stated, "The proposed restructuring will provide MorningStar with the financial footing necessary for us to face the challenges of the 1990s. Our new financial partners should better position us to achieve our strategy of branded products growth. We believe the restructuring meets the needs of all constituencies."

In the restructuring, MorningStar's existing senior bank indebtedness will be retired and a new class of preferred stock will be issued. The plan contemplates that MorningStar's existing stockholders will receive approximately 5 percent of the common stock of the restructured company.

The purchase price paid by the company for debentures will be in full satisfaction of the accrued and unpaid interest (including interest due on Dec. 31, 1990). In connection with the plan, MorningStar intends to defer the Dec. 31, 1990 interest payment until the restructuring is consummated.

MorningStar Foods has engaged Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette as dealer manger for the offer and has also retained Dewe Rogerson Inc. to act as information agent in connection with the offer. Requests for additional information should be directed to the information agent, the dealer manager or the company.

CONTACT: Tracy L. Noll of MorningStar Foods, 214-360-4730; or Stanley J. Kay or Neil J. Call of Dewe Rogerson, 212-688-6840, for MorningStar

-30- 2356

#90353p4846 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SHAMOKIN, PA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - A cash dividend of $.11 per share for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990, was declared Tuesday by the board of directors of Central Pennsylvania Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: CPSA).

The dividend respresents a 10 percent increase over the previous period cash dividend.

The cash dividend will be payable Jan. 25, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 14. There are 1,936,133 shares of stock issued and outstanding.

This will be the 27th consecutive quarterly cash dividend for the company since its principal subsidiary, Central Pennsylvania Savings Association, converted to stock ownership from a mutual association in March 1984.

Central Pennsylvania Savings Association is the 18th largest savings institution in Pennsylvania and was originally chartered in 1873.

The association conducts its business through 20 offices in Shamokin, Mount Carmel, Williamsport, Lewisburg, Danville, Shamokin Dam, Sunbury, Hershey, Camp Hill, Mechanicsburg, Lancaster, York, Columbia and Wrightsville, Pa. Through its Hamilton-Reliance Division, business is conducted at offices in Norristown, Wayne, Warminster, West Point, Pa., and two offices in Philadelphia.

CONTACT: Frank J. Fendt of Central Pennsylvania Financial, 717-644-0861.

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#90353p4848 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Oil-Dri Corporation of America (NASDAQ: OILC) announced today it has declared a quarterly dividend of $.05 per share for the common stock and $.0375 for the Class B stock.

The cash dividend is payable on March 15, 1991 to stockholders of record at the close of business on Feb. 22, 1991.

Oil-Dri Corp. is a leader in developing, manufacturing and marketing sorbent products and technologies for the consumer, agricultural, industrial, environmental and specialty chemical markets. The corporation is headquartered at 520 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago.

CONTACT: Kelly McGrail of Oil-Dri, 312-321-1515.

-30- 816

#90353p4850 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALTON, GA. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of CrownAmerica, Inc. (NASDAQ: CRNA), a major processor of filament yarn for U.S. and international carpet manufacturers, today declared a quarterly cash dividend of 12 1/2 cents per share. The cash dividend is payable January 18, 1991 to stockholders of record at the close of business on January 4, 1991.

CrownAmerica, Inc. is engaged chiefly in the processing of filament yarn for the carpet industry through its Texture-Tex subsidiaries. The company presently operates plants in Dalton, Georgia and near Heerlen in the Netherlands.

CONTACT: Lane Hamilton of CrownAmerica, Inc., 404-278-1422

-30- 840

#90353p4853 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ARLINGTON, VA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir Express service will replace USAir jet flights between Concord, Calif., and Los Angeles and between Fresno, Calif., and Los Angeles, beginning March 2, 1991.

New USAir Express service, which will be operated by StatesWest Airlines, Inc. under contract with USAir, will be flown with new 37-seat Dash 8 jet-prop airliners.

USAir Express will maintain the frequency of four daily roundtrips between Concord and Los Angeles currently operated by USAir. Flights will depart Concord at 7 a.m., 10:10 a.m., 2:30 p.m., and 7 p.m. on the 90 minute flight to Los Angeles.

Return flights will depart Los Angeles at 7:35 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 5:15 p.m., and 7:25 p.m. and arrive Concord at 9:05 a.m., 2 p.m., 6:45 p.m. and 8:55 p.m.

At Fresno, USAir Express will introduce four daily roundtrips to Los Angeles, replacing three currently operated by USAir. Flights will leave Fresno on the 65 minute trip to Los Angeles at 6 a.m., 10:25 a.m., 3 p.m., and 5:55 p.m. Return flights will depart Los Angeles at 8:55 a.m., 12:25 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 8:45 p.m., and arrive Fresno at 10 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 5:35 p.m. and 9:50 p.m.

New Fresno service will complement the four daily USAir Express roundtrips to San Francisco introduced Dec. 2.

The Dash 8 is an advanced jet-prop aircraft featuring overhead baggage storage restroom and flight attendant services. It is equipped with state-of-the-art electronic navigational and communications equipment and flown by a cockpit crew consisting of a captain and first officer.

USAir Express passengers receive the full range of normal airline amenities, including advance seat assignment and boarding passes, and frequent flyer mileage accrual.

The association between USAir and StatesWest began July 15 with the initiation of USAir Express service to a number of other communities in California, Arizona and Nevada. StatesWest is one of 10 regional carriers providing USAir Express service throughout the United States under agreements with USAir.

CONTACT: USAir Corporate Communication, 703-418-5100, or 213-417-1294 (Western Region).

-30- 2317

#90353p4854 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - CIM High Yield Securities (AMEX: CIM) has announced the payment of a $.07 per share dividend, payable on Jan. 7, 1991 to shareholders of record as of Dec. 28, 1990.

CONTACT: Jay S. Neuman, 617-722-3807, or Kathleen O'Neill, 617-722-3863, both of CIM High Yield Securities

-30- 468

#90353p4855 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Howard B. Wolf Inc. (AMEX: HBW), Dallas based women's fashion manufacturer, reported net sales of $2,469,005, income before federal income tax of $111,415, and net income of $60,165, or 6 cents per share, for the second quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990. Net sales for the second quarter ended Nov. 30, 1989, were $2,504,582, income before federal income tax was $156,942, and net income was $86,072, or 8 cents per share.

For the six-month period ended Nov. 30, 1990, net sales were $4,900,443, income before federal income tax was $202,472, and net income totaled $122,022 or 12 cents per share. Comparable results for the six-month period ended Nov. 30, 1989, were net sales of $5,074,442, income before federal income tax of $300,776, and net income of $188,776, or 18 cents per share.

The board of directors declared a special dividend of 5 cents per share payable Jan. 30, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 15, 1991.

CONTACT: Eugene K. Friesen of Howard B. Wolf, Inc. 214-823-9941

-30- 1198

#90353p4856 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MORRIS TOWNSHIP, N.J. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Allied-Signal (NYSE: ALD) announced today that it will continue to pursue a sale of its interest in Union Texas Petroleum Holdings, Inc. Union Texas said earlier today that its effort to sell the entire company had been discontinued but that it will continue to pursue the sale of its domestic businesses and other alternatives to enhance shareholder value.

Allied-Signal currently owns about 40 percent of Union Texas' common stock.

Allied-Signal is an advanced technology company with businesses in aerospace, automotive products and engineered materials.

CONTACT: M. J. Ascolese of Allied-Signal, 201-455-4674

-30- 844

#90353p4859 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Warren H. Fujimoto, currently assistant to Pacific Gas and Electric Co. President George A. Maneatis, today was elected Vice President -- Nuclear Technical Services by the PG&E Board of Directors.

Fujimoto, 44, will oversee nuclear design engineering and construction, nuclear regulatory affairs and safety assessment, and PG&E general office technical operations support activities for the company's Nuclear Power Generation Business Unit.

PG&E owns and operates the 2,200-megawatt Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant near San Luis Obispo.

Fujimoto joined PG&E in 1972 after three years as a power engineer with Bechtel Corp. After a series of engineering assignments at company headquarters and at Diablo Canyon, he was named Manager of Nuclear Operations Support in 1988 and to his current position in September 1989.

Raised in San Francisco, Fujimoto earned a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from the University of California, Berkeley, in 1969. In 1988 he received a master's in management from the Stanford University Graduate School of Business, where he was a Sloan Fellow. He is a registered nuclear engineer.

Fujimoto and his wife, Vanessa, are parents of three daughters.

CONTACT: Charles H. Peterson of Pacific Gas and Electric Co., 415-973-5916

-30- 1511

#90353p4860 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (NYSE: FNM) today announced the addition to its multifamily program of a new mortgage designed to assist lenders in financing small multifamily loans.

Under the new mortgage called FAME, a lender may deliver a fixed-rate, first mortgage to Fannie Mae for either cash or Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS), while simultaneously originating a fixed-rate or adjustable-rate second mortgage.

Fannie Mae recently signed the first commitments to be delivered under FAME with Western Bank of Sherman Oaks, Calif., for $50 million, and with Quaker City Federal Savings and Loan Association of Whittier, Calif., for $20 million.

Quaker City Federal will target all of its commitment to low- and moderate-income multifamily housing, which will assist the bank in meeting its community reinvestment goals.

The maximum loan amount eligible for delivery under FAME is $3 million. All loans purchased or securitized must be fixed-rate, first lien, balloon mortgages with 7-, 10-, or 15-year terms and 30-year amortization. Each loan must be combined with a second mortgage fully funded by the lender.

Loans must be secured by existing income-producing multifamily residential properties with minimum occupancy of 90 percent. A debt service coverage ratio (DSCR) of at least 125 percent is required for the first mortgage. The combined DSCR must be at least 110 percent if the second mortgage is fixed-rate or 115 percent for an adjustable-rate second mortgage.

Western Bank is a multistate lender specializing in apartment financing throughout the Western United States. Quaker City Federal has provided the residents of Southern California with personalized real estate service since 1920.

Fannie Mae, the USA's Housing Partner, is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

CONTACT: Bonnie O'Dell of Fannie Mae, 202-752-6527

-30- 2169

#90353p4864 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Health Risk Management, Inc. (NASDAQ:

HRMI) announced that an initial public offering of 1,400,000 common shares of Health Risk Management, Inc. was made today at $11.00 per share. The company also has granted the underwriters an option to purchase 210,000 additional common shares to cover over-allotments. All shares are being offered by the company.

Wessels, Arnold & Henderson is managing the underwriting syndicate. The shares will be listed in the NASDAQ - National Market System under the symbol "HRMI." Net proceeds will be used for the repayment of indebtedness, for working capital and for general corporate purposes including new product development and possible acquisitions.

Headquartered in Minneapolis, Health Risk Management, Inc. provides a broad range of integrated managed health care services to self-insured employers, unions, governmental entities, and insurance company clients. The company has developed its managed-care services based upon proprietary clinical practice guidelines, company-developed medical databases, and extensive medical expertise. Its services are designed to manage the quality, volume, and cost of healthcare from initial diagnostic review through final claims payment. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, the company managed over $1 billion in claims for approximately 120 clients covering approximately 1.5 million lives.

The offering will be made only by means of a prospectus, which may be obtained from Wessels, Arnold & Henderson or other brokers and dealers as may legally offer securities in those states where this offering may legally be made.

CONTACT: Thomas P. Clark or Nancy Hurd, 612-829-3749, of Health Risk Management.

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#90353p4866 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - TRI-R Systems Corp. (NASDAQ: RRRC), a Denver-based diversified recycling firm, today announced the results of operations for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990.

TRI-R reported revenues of $1,657,559 for the first quarter of fiscal 1991, as compared to revenues of $2,378,494 for the comparable quarter in 1990. The company reported a net loss for the first quarter of 1991 of $784,389 (or 18 cents loss per share) as compared to a net income of $113,495 (or 4 cents profit per share) for the like quarter in 1990.

According to TRI-R President David R. Powelson, the losses for the quarter were primarily a result of cost associated with the damage by fire and impending closing of its Phoenix facility. The first quarter financial results reflect operating losses from Phoenix alone of $149,662 plus a loss of $403,827 to provide revenues for the expense of closing the facility.

Powelson stated, "By providing for the costs associated with the closing of Phoenix, we will be able to reflect the financial results of TRI-R's ongoing operations while an orderly sale of the equipment assets of the Phoenix operation take place."

Powelson also stated, "On a positive note, the long term slide in commodity prices for recyclable paper ended during the quarter. Along with most people in our business, we have been monitoring the number of new paper mill projects which are planned for start-up in 1991-92 and 1993. The number of projects is approaching 60 and represents capital expenditure committments of billions of dollars. We can foresee that these projects will restore a healthy balance between supply and demand and better pricing."

Headquarters in Denver, TRI-R Systems is an innovative, customer-oriented recycling corporation. The company's stock trades on the over-the-counter market (NASDAQ) under the symbol RRRC.

CONTACT: David R. Powelson of TRI-R Systems Corp., 303-399-6351; or The Financial Relations Group Inc., 303-721-7800, for TRI-R Systems Corp.

-30- 2205

#90353p4871 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Hallwood Realty Partners, L.P. (AMEX: HRY) today announced a distribution of $.25 per unit, payable Feb. 15, 1991 to unitholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990. This is Hallwood Realty Partners' first distribution following the Nov. 1, 1990 consolidation of eight limited partnerships originally formed by Equitec Financial Group.

Hallwood Realty Partners intends to distribute $1.50 per unit to its partners in the first 12 months of operation. This first payment relates to its first two months of operation.

Hallwood Realty Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Hallwood Group Incorporated (NYSE: HWG), is the general partner of Hallwood Realty Partners.

CONTACT: James Fingeroth of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for Hallwood Realty Partners

-30- 961

#90353p4875 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - On April 23, 1990, Kroy Inc. issued a press release which stated that "Kroy now manufactures supplies for both Kroy and Varitronics." Although unintentional, this statement was and is inaccurate. Kroy does not provide Varitronics with supplies for Varitronics' poster printer and letter machines. Kroy does not have, nor has it ever had, an agreement for an affiliation of this kind with Varitronics. We regret any

inconvenience or misunderstanding the April press release may have caused.

CONTACT: Suellyn McMillan of Kroy Inc., 602-948-2222 (office), or
602-971-3358 (home)

-30- 775

#90353p4876 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE -- National City Corporation (NYSE: NCC) announced today that customers of its banks in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana who have been called to active military service will be provided substantial relief on loan payment requirements under a newly-announced policy.

For example, an installment loan of $10,000 at 13.5 percent for 60 months would require a monthly payment of $230. The rate of interest would automatically be reduced to six percent upon submission to the bank of certification of the callup.

In the case of a home mortgage, the typical interest savings on a $75,000 mortgage balance, reduced to six percent from ten percent, would be $250 on the first monthly payment. The savings would decrease as the balance decreases.

In the case of a credit card account, the National City bank transfers the current balance to a new account at six percent interest. Charge privileges would be available on the old account subject to the standard interest rates and with a reduced credit line.

A $1,000 balance in the new six percent account would result in a monthly savings in the first month of $9.78, reflecting the difference between interest at 17.9 percent ($14.71) and six percent ($4.93).

Equity Reserve accounts, which are a variable rate revolving credit secured by a real estate mortgage, would be similarly treated. These accounts have a current Annual Percentage Rate of 11.5 percent and require a minimum payment of two percent of the balance.

The rate reduction, on a $10,000 Equity Reserve balance for example, would result in monthly interest savings of $45.83, which would go to reducing the principal balance. Any new advances from the line of credit would be subject to the standard rate of interest.

National City Corporation is a $23 billion bank holding company headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio. The Corporation's principal banking units include National City Bank, Cleveland; BancOhio National Bank, Columbus; and First National Bank of Louisville. Other member banks include National City Bank, Akron; First National Bank and Gem Savings Association, Dayton; CommerceNational Bank, Lexington; and Ohio Citizens Bank, Toledo. National City also has 10 community

banks serving cities and towns throughout Ohio, Kentucky and southern Indiana.

National City's subsidiaries and divisions offer a wide-range of financial services, such as credit card, retail payment and airline ticket processing, trust and investment management, leasing, merchant and mortgage banking, venture capital, small business and community investment, and credit life insurance. These units include Franklinton Financial Services, National Processing Company, First Kentucky Trust Company, National City Trust Company, NCC Merchant Banking, National City Mortgage Company, W. Lyman Case & Company, National City Community Development Corporation, National City Life Insurance Company, National City Public Finance, NC Investments and National Asset Management Corporation.

National City Corporation's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "NCC."

CONTACT: David W. Talbott, vice president, 216-575-2512, or Mary Griffith, vice president & director, 216-575-2728, both of National City Corporation.

-30- 3524

#90353p4878 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - First Mississippi Corp., (NYSE: FRM), has received a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service which allows a tax free spin-off to stockholders of the 14,750,000 shares, or 82 percent of outstanding shares, the company holds in FirstMiss Gold Inc. (NASDAQ: FRMG), its gold mining subsidiary. In February 1990, First Mississippi announced the proposed stock distribution subject to, among other things, a favorable tax ruling.

The tax ruling took longer than anticipated and start-up problems have delayed routine operations. "However, we still intend to proceed with the spin-off when we have achieved routine operations and we are comfortable FirstMiss Gold can operate as a viable stand-alone company," said J. Kelley Williams, chairman and chief executive officer of First Mississippi. "We are making progress on solving start-up problems. Although the timing is uncertain, we hope to complete the spin-off in calendar 1991."

First Mississippi Corp. also announced it has authorized a loan of up to $5.0 million to FirstMiss Gold to meet working capital requirements due to start-up expenses and lower gold prices.

First Mississippi Corp., headquartered in Jackson, Miss., is a resource and technology company with established operations in chemicals, fertilizer, energy, gold and emerging operations in technology-based ventures.

CONTACT: Jim McArthur, manager-investor relations of First Mississippi, 601-948-7550; or Ron Como & Associates, 212-227-3010, for First Mississippi.

-30- 1705
#90353p4879 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW CASTLE, PA. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First Western Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: FWBI), at its meeting on Dec. 17, 1990, confirmed the election of four new directors, as contemplated by the agreement and plan of reorganization between First Western and First Federal of Western Pennsylvania.

The shareholders of First Western, on Nov. 20, 1990, voted to approve an increase in the size of the board from 14 to 18 members as part of a proposal to approve the agreement. This agreement contemplated the addition of Donald H. Mong, James M. Campbell, Richard C. McGill and James L. Gory, all directors of the former First Federal of Western Pennsylvania, to the board of directors of First Western after closing the acquisition, which occurred on Nov. 30, 1990.

In order to maintain the balance of the board's three classes of directors, with each class now consisting of six directors, these directors were elected to serve for terms to expire coincidental with the following classes:

-- 1991 Class - James M. Campbell -- 1992 Class - James L. Gory -- 1993 Class - Richard C. McGill -- 1993 Class - Donald H. Mong Campbell, 47, a director of First Federal since 1976, is president of Shenango Steel Buildings Inc., West Middlesex, Pa., a steel fabrication company.

Gory, 57, a director of First Federal since 1986, is president and owner of G & C Drainage Supplies Inc., Akron, Ohio, a building supply company.

McGill, 53, a director of First Federal since 1979, is managing partner, McGill, Power, Bell and Co., Grove City, Pa., a certified public accounting firm.

Mong, 67, a director of First Federal since 1966, has been chairman of the board of directors of First Federal since 1986, and was president and chief executive officer from 1964 through the date of acquisition on Nov. 30, 1990, when he retired from such positions. He will retain his title as chairman of First Federal's separate subsidiary board for two years, as part of a separate consulting agreement between First Western, First Federal and Mong.

CONTACT: Robert H. Young, vice president-finance, secretary and treasurer, First Western Bancorp, 412-652-8550

-30- 2368
#90353p4883 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire
DETROIT (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - GM International Export Sales (IES)

Executive-in-Charge Dale R. Hermiller has announced that fleet contracts have been signed between Arabian Motors & Engineering Company (AMECO), an IES dealer located in Dammam, Saudi Arabia, and three Saudi Arabian leasing contractors for 1,500 GM North American-produced passenger and commercial vehicles.

The vehicles are for the Arabian American Oil Company (ARAMCO), and represent their total annual lease vehicle order. Last year, GM was awarded about a third of their fleet business.

"We enjoy and welcome this increase in business in Saudi Arabia for General Motors," said Hermiller. "We are especially happy with this contract considering the aggressive competition we now face in this region."

Orders to GM for the lease vehicles from AMECO are expected early next year. Start of production for the lease vehicles will begin in March 1991, with the last vehicle scheduled to be shipped in June 1991.

A separate contract was recently signed between AMECO and Saudi Consolidated Electric Company (SCECO) for 179 GM North American-produced vehicles.

CONTACT: Mark Rollinson, 313-556-5117, or Grant Wills, 313-556-6140, both of General Motors International Export Sales

-30- 1454
#90353p4884 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLENWOOD, IL (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Tech/Ops Landauer, Inc. (AMEX: TO) declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $.25 per share for the first quarter of fiscal 1991. The dividend will be paid on Jan. 17, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 2, 1991. The regular dividend for the previous four quarters had been $.20 per share.

CONTACT: James O'Connell of Tech/Ops Landauer, 708-755-7000.

-30- 570
#90353p4887 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated today announced the election of 20 new managing directors.

The new managing directors are: Tarek F. Abdel-Meguid, Neil A. Cummins, Barry M. Davis, Richard B. Felix, George N. Fugelsang, Joseph W. Hill II, George M. James, Kenneth E. Janney, Charles I. Johnston, Satoshi Kishimoto, Frederick B. Krom III, Gary D. Latainer, Peter C. O'Shea, R. Bruce Paterson, Thierry G. Porte, Frank P. Quattrone, Joseph M. Rault III, Andrew F. Rowley, John A. Shapiro and Kenneth L. Wolfe.

The promotions, effective Jan. 1, 1991, are subject to the approval of the New York Stock Exchange.

Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated is a subsidiary of Morgan Stanley Group Inc. (NYSE: MS), the international securities firm.

CONTACT: Jeanne D. Andrews, 212-703-4058, for Morgan Stanley

-30- 995

#90353p4888 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHEELING, WV (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp. (NYSE: WHX) announced today that federal bankruptcy court Judge Warren W. Bentz has signed an order confirming the company's amended plan of reorganization on Dec. 18.

Before an effective date for the corporation's emergence from Chapter 11 can be determined, there will be a 10-day appeal period and it is anticipated that the effective date will occur during a period of 30 days following the signing of the confirmation order by Bentz.

D. Leonard Wise, Wheeling-Pittsburgh's new chairman and CEO, said, "The company is pleased that the order has been signed. We are looking forward to the end of the bankruptcy and the beginning of our new 'life after bankruptcy' in 1991."

CONTACT: R.A. Johnson of Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel, 304-234-2440.

-30- 989

#90353p4891 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Former President Jimmy Carter today announced Amgen's (NASDAQ-NMS: AMGN) donation to Global 2000 of $60 million worth of EPOGEN (recombinant erythropoietin), a drug for treatment of patients suffering from anemia associated with chronic renal failure.

The drug was shipped earlier this month to the People's Republic of China for the treatment of dialysis patients.

Global 2000 is a program of the Carter Center that was established to help improve health and agricultural services in developing countries. Disease control, rehabilitation and large-scale agricultural demonstration projects are underway in more than half a dozen countries, including China and parts of Africa. Based in Thousand Oaks, Calif., Amgen, the manufacturer of EPOGEN, is one of the U.S.'s leading biotechnology firms, specializing in using recombinant DNA techniques to create genetically-engineered health care products.

"I am very pleased that Global 2000 has been able to work out an arrangement between Amgen and the People's Republic of China to deliver 335,000 vials of this drug which will help people presently on dialysis," President Carter said. "I also want to express my gratitude to Amgen for its significant contribution to the work of Global 2000."

EPOGEN, which was licensed by the Food and Drug Administration for therapeutic use in June 1989, stimulates the production of red blood cells and eliminates the need for the frequent and debilitating blood transfusions that dialysis patients required in the past. The improvement in patient well being has been dramatic. Amgen spent eight years and over $100 million developing recombinant erythropoietin.

CONTACT: Carrie Harmon, director, public information, 404-420-5107, or Tom Beall, 202-466-7590, both of The Carter Center.

-30- 2015

#90353p4893 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MICH. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Richard A. Smith, president and chief executive officer of Newcor, Inc. (AMEX: NEW), announced the results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990:

NEWCOR, INC.

	Fourth Quarter		12 Months	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$28,732,000	$28,546,000	$79,865,000	$100,436,000
Net income	1,908,000	749,000	1,215,000	3,095,000
Income per share	$.59	$.23	$.37	$.95

Although fourth-quarter sales were unchanged from the prior year, earnings increased 155 percent over 1989 to a new quarterly record. The improved earnings stem from higher margins from Newcor's special machines segment.

Sales for fiscal 1990 declined from 1989 as a result of low backlogs for machinery orders at the start of 1990. Since mid-year, backlogs are up sharply due to strong new orders for welding and assembly systems.

Full-year 1990 earnings were reduced by charges for the closedown of Newcor Canada Limited recorded in the first quarter. The closedown and first-quarter losses from the Canadian operation represent $1,514,000 net of tax benefits, or a loss of $.47 per share. Without Newcor Canada Limited, the company would have reported net earnings of $.84 per share in fiscal 1990.

Orders of $111 million were obtained in fiscal 1990, an increase of 43 percent over 1989 and a new record. Newcor's backlog of open orders amounted to $70.9 million at Oct. 31, 1990, compared with $39.6 million a year earlier.

Smith confirmed the company expects record earnings in fiscal 1991 when these orders are completed. The improvement in new orders and the 1991 earnings outlook relate principally to the company's special machines segment. The precision parts segment is expected to contribute lower earnings in 1991 due to a temporary softening in the automotive market.

Newcor, headquartered in Troy, designs and manufactures custom machines and manufacturing systems as well as special precision machined parts. Newcor is listed on the American Stock Exchange.

CONTACT: Marjorie H. Edwards of Newcor, Inc., 313-643-7730

-30- 2415

#90353p4894 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Markel Corporation (NASDAQ: MAKL) has completed several previously announced transactions that will enable the Company to focus its business on the marketing and underwriting of specialty insurance products. The completed transactions include the purchase of 47.5 percent of F-M Acquisition Corporation (F-M) which increases the Company's interest to 90 percent. F-M owns Shand, Morahan and Evanston Insurance Company which are specialty insurance operations with expertise in professional and products liability insurance. The transaction also included the disposal of the Company's investment in its affiliated Canadian financial holding company, Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited, and the sale of the Company's 50 percent owned claims administration business, Lindsey & Newsom Claim Services, Inc. Markel expects to complete the purchase of the remaining 10 percent of F-M later this week.

The completion of these transactions will simplify Markel's organizational structure as well as its operations. Additional, this transaction significantly expands the size and scope of the Company's specialty insurance business. At year end 1990 it is estimated that the company's consolidated assets will have increased by $500 million to over $700 million.

To complete these transactions, Markel Corporation delivered to Fairfax approximately 1.65 million shares of Fairfax, the preferred shares of Lindsey & Newsom Claim Services, Inc. with a stated value of $7.0 million and $19.5 million in cash. Markel also paid Fairfax $14 million for certain non-compete and non-piracy agreements. Markel is obligated to pay to Fairfax up to an additional $11.5 million in the event that specified investment portfolios of F-M's insurance subsidiaries achieve certain designated increases in market values over the next 2 1/2 years. In connection with the transaction, Markel Corporation loaned Fairfax $11.5 million, which will be either repaid to Markel Corporation in June, 1993 or offset by additional sums owed to Fairfax by reason of an increase in the market value of the investment portfolios. For the remaining 10 percent interest, which is expected to close later this week, the consideration will be $4.3 million in cash, $4.0 million in Markel

subordinated debentures and $4.7 million in Markel convertible subordinated securities.

Markel Corporation also exchanged its 50 percent interest in Lindsey & Newsom Claim Services, Inc. for 595,922 subordinate voting shares of Morden & Helwig Group (approximately 12 percent of the outstanding shares) and $4.15 million. Morden & Helwig Group Inc. is Canada's leading claims administration organization and its subordinate voting shares are traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Alan I. Kirshner, Chairman of Markel Corporation, said "we are extremely pleased that Markel Corporation is able to take this significant next step in our corporate evolution. By becoming more focused in marketing and underwriting specialty insurance products we will be better positioned to build value for our shareholders in the years to come."

Markel Corporation is a diversified, specialty insurance organization with operations in the brokerage and underwriting segments of the property and casualty insurance industry.

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RALEIGH, NC (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Attorney General Lacy H. Thornburg announced today that a Wake County Superior Court Judge granted his request for a preliminary injunction ordering Quantum Chemical Corporation (NYSE: CUE) doing business as Suburban Propane and Petrolane, to list their price per gallon on all delivery tickets and billing statements to residential customers and to publish their rates in a clear and understandable way.

Thornburg filed the suit last month, alleging that the prices that Suburban and Petrolane charge to their 123,000 North Carolina consumers are excessively high, and therefore violate a State law which requires those prices to be sent "in good faith." The suit also charges that the companies deceptively conceal their high prices.

The preliminary ruling, issued today by Superior Court Judge Howard Manning, Jr., did not order the companies to charge a competitive market price, althout it did order them to clearly disclose their price per gallon to consumers.

Thornburg said he was disappointed that the judge did not order the companies to charge North Carolina consumers a fair price. "I am also disappointed that he did not see the connection between the companies' misleading billing practices and the fact that in most places in North Carolina Surburban and Petrolane have been able to charge considerably higher prices than their competitors," Thornburg said.

Thornburg said that it appeared that the judge was relying on market forces to correct the companies' high prices. Thornburg emphasized that he brought the suit because he believes market forces are inadequate to address Suburban's and Petrolane's high prices, especially in areas of the state where there are few or no other competitors.

"While this preliminary ruling did not give us everything we wanted, it's a good start and we fully intend to prevail in this lawsuit," Thornburg said.

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MILWAUKEE (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - WICOR, Inc. (NYSE: WIC), the parent of Wisconsin Gas Company and Sta-Rite Industries, Inc., expects its fourth-quarter earnings from continuing operations will be at about half the level of fourth-quarter results last year, which were boosted by unusually cold weather. The announcement was made by Stuart W. Tisdale, president and chief executive officer of WICOR.

Tisdale attributed the earnings decline projected for the quarter and for the year to weather and economic factors. Temperatures that were the warmest in 60 years reduced sales at Wisconsin Gas Company, and poor economic conditions depressed several of Sta-Rite's key markets. In addition, further analysis of divestiture plans previously announced by Sta-Rite indicates the company will record a loss on these discontinued operations in its year-end financial statements. The businesses have not yet been sold, Tisdale said, and the extent of the loss is still undetermined.

Tisdale said the factors affecting this year's performance are short-term. WICOR remains financially very sound, and no negative long- term effects on the company are expected.

WICOR is a Milwaukee-based holding company. Its primary subsidiaries are Wisconsin Gas Company, the state's largest distributor of natural gas, and Sta-Rite Industries, Inc., a manufacturer of pumps and filtration technology.

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VALLEY FORGE, PA (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the following members of The Vanguard Group of Investment Companies has declared the following distributions:

Trustees' Commingled Fund/U.S. Portfolio -- a quarterly distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $0.48 per share, payable on Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 19, 1990.

Trustees' Commingled Fund/International Portfolio -- a quarterly distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $0.30 per share and an annual distribution from realized capital gains in the amount of $0.53 (one cent, short term and 52 cents, long term) per share, payable on Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 19, 1990.

Primecap Fund -- an annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $0.13 per share and an annual distribution from realized long term capital gains in the amount of $0.12 per share, payable on Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 19, 1990.

Vanguard/Morgan Growth Fund -- an annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $0.33 per share and an annual distribution from realized long-term capital gains in the amount of $0.76 per share, payable on Jan. 3, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 19, 1990.

Vanguard World Fund/U.S. Growth Portfolio -- an annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $0.19 per share, payable on Dec. 26, 1990 to shareholders of record on Dec. 19, 1990.

Vanguard World Fund/International Growth Portfolio -- an annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $0.20 per share and an annual distribution from realized long-term capital gains in the amount of $0.68 per share, payable on Dec. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 19, 1990.

Vanguard Asset Allocation Fund -- a semi-annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $0.42 per share and an annual distribution from realized long term capital gains in the amount of $0.13 per share, payable on Dec. 26, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 19, 1990.

Gemini II (Income Shares) -- a quarterly distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $0.62 per share, payable on Jan. 30, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

Gemini II (Capital Shares) -- an annual distribution from realized short term capital gains in the amount of $0.11 per share, payable on Jan. 30, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

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RICHMOND, VA. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex, Inc. today announced that George C. Nebel, 52, has been named president and chief operating officer of the company. Hamilton Beach/Proctor- Silex, Inc. was formed in October of this year as the result of the merger of Hamilton Beach Inc. and Proctor-Silex, Inc. The company is owned 80 percent by NACCO Industries, Inc. (NYSE: NC) of Cleveland, and 20 percent by Glen Dimplex Ltd. of the Republic of Ireland.

Nebel joins Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex from Roadmaster Corporation of Olney, Ill., where he has served since 1982 as president and chief executive officer. Arnold H. Dreyfuss, chairman, chief executive officer and president of the company, stated, "We are very pleased that George will be joining us as president and chief operating officer. His strong general management experience in similar consumer goods businesses will be of great value to us in the coming years." Dreyfuss will retain the positions of chairman and chief executive officer. Nebel stated, "I am delighted to be joining Hamilton Beach/Proctor- Silex. The company is a leader in its industry and has an excellent brand reputation. Further, I am pleased that I will have the opportunity to continue working with many of the same customers with whom I have enjoyed working in the past."

Nebel was awarded B.A. and B.S. degrees from the University of Rochester in 1961. Since then he has held a number of positions at Procter & Gamble, Pepsico, Milton Bradley and Roadmaster. Nebel and his wife will make their home in the Richmond, Va., area in the near future.

Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex, Inc., a leading manufacturer of small electric appliances, has its headquarters in Richmond, Va., and has facilities in North Carolina; Juarez, Mexico and Toronto.

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ANN ARBOR, MI. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Great Lakes Bancorp's board of directors has appointed Theodore R. Meadows a director.

Meadows is the director of the department of pathology at Catherine McAuley Health Center in Ann Arbor. He is also the medical director and chief executive officer of CCH Laboratory in Chelsea, Mich.

Meadows is a member of numerous professional associations. He is the past chairman of several staff and administrative committees at Catherine McAuley, and is the current chairman of its divisional board. Meadows is also the chairman of the Ann Arbor Community Center Foundation, and a past president of the Ann Arbor Housing Commission.

Great Lakes Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: GLBC) has 52 branches in Michigan and operates Dollar Federal Savings Bank, a subsidiary in the north- Cincinnati area. Great Lakes also operates Great Lakes Mortgage Co., a mortgage banking subsidiary. With $3.7 billion in assets, Great Lakes Bancorp is Michigan's second-largest savings bank.

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TORRANCE, CALIF. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashton-Tate Corp. (NASDAQ: TATE) today said that it has been served with a class action lawsuit filed by a Pennsylvania partnership, Rudolph, Palitz, as a representative of those who licensed dBASE products any time before Dec. 14, 1990.

The lawsuit was filed Dec. 17, 1990, in the United States District Court, Central District in Los Angeles. It seeks to recover unspecified damages based on alleged practices which caused customers to pay more than they might have otherwise in connection with their license of Ashton-Tate's dBASE software products.

Ashton-Tate said that the charges are completely without merit and that it will defend vigorously against them.

Headquartered in Torrance, Ashton-Tate Corp. develops and markets microcomputer business applications and advanced connectivity software.

R Ashton-Tate and dBASE are registered trademarks of Ashton-Tate Corp.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Navistar Financial Securities Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Navistar Financial Corporation (NFC), announced the registration of $300 million of public pass-through certificates backed by Navistar's dealer wholesale notes receivables.

The pass-through certificates, priced on Dec. 18, 1990, and underwritten by Prudential-Bache Capital Funding, will be issued in three tranches of $100 million each with expected maturities of approximately six, seven, and eight years. The certificates are expected to be rated Aaa by Moody's and AAA by Standard and Poor's.

John J. Bongiorno, president of Navistar Financial Corporation, said, "The

pass-through certificate issuance will reduce NFC's reliance on commercial paper and will increase NFC's financial flexibility by assuring longer term funding to meet Navistar dealers' wholesale floor plan financing needs." Prudential-Bache designed the unique structure of this asset-backed offering which is one of the first such offerings in the marketplace.

Navistar Financial Corporation is a wholly owned subsidiary of Navistar International Transportation Corp., North America's leading producer of medium and heavy trucks.

Navistar International Transportation Corp. is the principal operating subsidiary of Navistar International Corporation (NYSE: NAV).

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#90353p4940 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Bio-Manufacturing, Inc. (Local OTC), a manufacturer of proprietary medical implants, announced today its fiscal year end results. The increasing sales resulted in net revenues for the year ended September 30, 1990 of $1,763,815 compared to $586,475 for the nine months ended September 30, 1989; a year in which the company changed its fiscal year end from December to September. Adjusting for comparison purposes using a nine month average for 1990, the increase in sales was approximately 226 percent. Net loss for the year ended September 30, 1990 was $65,965 compared to $269,021 for the nine months ended September 30, 1989. The company attributes the increase in sales and the reduction in losses to success of its first exclusive manufacturing contract which it has with Bioplasty, Inc. Mr. Art Beisang, CEO of the company, stated that, "The company's third and fourth quarters were, in fact, profitable from operations." He expects continued profitability due to the continuing growth of sales and the emplacement of certain cost reduction practices.

Prior to year end, the company successfully completed a rights offering of approximately 300,000 shares of its common stock, and subsequently completed a public offering and a private placement of an additional 600,000 shares of its common stock. The proceeds are being used to expand its manufacturing capacity and to include headquarter facilities at 623 Hoover St. N.E., Minneapolis. The remaining funds will be used for operating purposes.

Lawin, chairman of the board and chief financial officer, stated that, "with the additional manufacturing capacity, the company is in a better position to take on additional manufacturing contracts with other companies, such as Bioplasty, Inc." The company is optimistic about its growth based on a recent announcement by Bioplasty, Inc., which stated it has gained FDA market clearance for a new product is called "MISTI GOLD"(TM). This new product is

called MISTI GOLD because of its new gold-colored gel used to fill the surface-patterned shell of the mammary implant. The "gold" gel is bio-compatible with the human body and this new filling material allows x-rays to pass through the MISTI GOLD implant better than x-rays can pass through silicone gel-filled or saline-filled breast implants. The company is confident that with the introduction of MISTI GOLD, it will continue to show dramatic sales growth.

Bio-Manufacturing, Inc. currently is traded on the local over-the- counter market (white sheets).

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SAN ANTONIO (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Shareholders attending Datapoint Corp.'s (NYSE: DPT) annual meeting here today were told by Chairman Asher B. Edelman the company is not for sale and that it planned to move corporate headquarters to Paris, France,as part of a long-term plan to redeploy company resources on a worldwide basis.

Key elements to the Datapoint plan include the move of its headquarters to Paris in the next three months, additions to its product line to fully-support RMS-based customers, and extension of current open systems offerings to provide, at the customer's pace, future paths for RMS-based customers and enhanced open systems solutions to new customers.

Datapoint will remain a U.S. corporation. Its stock will continue to be traded on the NYSE.

The plan also calls for continued support for customers using Datapoint's proprietary operating system, and significantly, announces future paths to open systems. Datapoint will also initiate affiliations with application software houses to expand its vertical market offerings.

In other activity, shareholders reelected seven directors to serve until the next annual meeting of stockholders. The seven were: Doris D. Bencsik, Asher B. Edelman, Raymond French, Daniel R. Kail, Clark R. Mandigo, Michael M. Michigami and Dwight D. Sutherland.

Also, Ernst & Young, certified public accountants, were approved as Datapoint's independent auditors for the fiscal year ending July 27, 1991.

Datapoint Corp. currently headquartered in San Antonio, employs 1700 worldwide of which 1300 work in Europe. The company develops, manufactures and markets a range of networked computers, used primarily in financial services,

government, telephone and automotive markets.

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#90353p4952 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

EDISON, NJ (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - In response to the continuing downturn in the national and New Jersey economies, the board of directors of Midlantic Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MIDL) today announced its decision to omit payment of the quarterly cash dividend on the corporation's common stock, commencing with the dividend that would normally have been paid in January 1991.

Based on the previous quarter's dividend of 25 cents per common share, this action retains the corporation's capital at an annual rate of more than $38 million.

The corporation announced that during the week of Dec. 17, 1990, the boards of directors of four of the corporation's national banks are expected to enter into written agreements with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC). The four banks are: Midlantic National Bank, Midlantic National Bank/North, Merchants National Bank & Trust Company and Union National Bank.

Under these agreements, the banks will undertake measures, many of which have been previously identified and implemented, to review and strengthen, where necessary, various aspects of their operations, including credit risk identification processes, loan loss reserve methodology, and other loan portfolio-related activities.

The OCC and these banks have agreed to certain capital ratios at various dates between year-end 1990 and the end of the third quarter 1991. All of the banks are expected to meet or exceed the agreed upon ratios for year-end 1990, and Merchants National Bank & Trust Company and Union National Bank currently also meet or exceed the ratios for 1991.

Midlantic National Bank and Midlantic National Bank/North will be expected to achieve minimum risk-based capital ratios as follows: Tier I Capital of 7 percent, Total Capital of 9 percent and a leverage ratio of 6 percent by Sept. 30, 1991. Midlantic's management is in the process of formalizing plans for the banks to meet these agreed upon capital ratios.

Additionally, the agreements continue previously announced restrictions on payments of dividends by the banks and on acceptance of brokered deposits.

The board of directors declared the quarterly dividend payable on shares of the corporation's term adjustable cumulative preferred stock- Series A.

Midlantic Corporation is an interstate bank holding company headquartered in Edison. The corporation, with assets of approximately $24 billion, operates 512 offices primarily in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and New York.

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LUBBOCK, TEXAS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Furr's/Bishop's Cafeterias, L.P. (NYSE: CAF) announced today that it has filed revised preliminary proxy materials with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with Furr's/Bishop's proposed conversion to corporate form. Michael J. Levenson, chairman and chief executive officer of Cavalcade & Co. Inc., the Managing General Partner of Furr's/Bishop's, said that he expected a special meeting of Preference Unitholders would be held during the first quarter of 1991 for the purpose of considering and voting on the proposed conversion.

Levenson also said that, "In the light of the pending transaction, the Independent Committee and the Board of Directors of the Managing General Partner have determined that the Partnership will not pay on Feb. 12, 1991 a cash distribution on the Preference Units for the fourth quarter of 1990."

As previously announced, in the corporate conversion, each issued and outstanding Preference Unit (other than Preference Units held by Unitholders who shall have perfected the contractual dissenter's rights provided for in the merger agreement) will be converted into the right to receive a combination of (a) 75 cents in cash, (b) six-tenths of a share of Furr's/Bishop's, Incorporated Series A $9.00 Convertible Preferred Stock with a stated cumulative annual dividend of $1.12 per share, payable quarterly, increasing to $1.80 per share on the tenth anniversary of the Merger, and (c) one-fourth of a share of Furr's/Bishop's, Incorporated Class A Common Stock. The public holders of Common Stock on the one hundred sixty-fifth day following the Merger will have the irrevocable right to sell an aggregate of up to 1,500,000 shares of Class A Common Stock (representing approximately 56 percent of the Common Stock issued to the Preference Unitholders in the Merger) to Furr's/Bishop's, Incorporated at $5.00 per share in cash.

The Board of Directors of Cavalcade & Co., Inc. also announced the appointment of Donald D. Noe to chief operating officer of Furr's/Bishop's Cafeterias, L.P., a position which has been vacant for approximately one year. Noe was formerly vice president, operations and customer service of the Partnership. Noe joined Furr's in 1977 and has held various positions in operations.

Furr's/Bishop's is one of the largest operators of cafeterias in the United States with 129 cafeterias in 10 states in the Southwest, West and Midwest under the name "Furr's" and 23 cafeterias in seven states in the Midwest under

the name of "Bishop."

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HOUSTON (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Continental Airlines Holdings Inc. today announced that R. Lamar Durrett has been named president and chief executive officer of its System One Inc. subsidiary. Durrett succeeds Richard E. Murray, who is resigning at the end of the year to pursue new opportunities in the CRS and travel industry arenas.

Durrett will also continue to serve in his capacity as executive vice president for administration and personnel at Continental Airlines.

"I look forward to working with System One's impressive people and products to develop new business opportunities which will position us to face the industry challenges of this decade," Durrett said. "My first priority is to assure our customers and employees that System One's business philosophy, which has served as its foundation, will be preserved and will be instrumental in our future growth and business development."

Joining Continental in October 1990, Durrett now brings to System One a broad-based knowledge of the CRS industry. During a 23-year career with Delta Airlines, Durrett held wide-ranging management responsibilities, most recently serving as vice president of communications and information services.

System One is a computer automation services company, providing worldwide information management, data processing and telecommunications services to the airline and travel-related industries. A subsidiary of Continental Airlines Holdings Inc., System One is a leading supplier of computerized reservations, flight operations and passenger handling systems, serving nearly 8,000 travel agency and airline customers.

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PORTLAND, OR. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Oregon Steel Mills Inc. (NYSE: OS) announced today that Napa Pipe Corp., its wholly owned subsidiary, has received a letter of award from Bechtel Corp. to manufacture more than 650 miles of 36-inch and 42-inch diameter double-submerged, arc weld line pipe for the $1.2 billion PGT-PG&E Pipeline Expansion Project that will bring natural gas from Canada to serve growing markets in California and the Pacific Northwest.

The 845 mile-long pipeline expansion project is being sponsored by Pacific Gas Transmission Co. (PGT) and Pacific Gas and Electric Co. (PG&E) and will involve the installation of a pipeline parallel to and interconnecting with existing PGT and PG&E facilities from the Canadian-U.S. boundary in British Columbia to California. The project will increase the pipeline's current natural gas transportation capacity by more than 900 million cubic feet a day.

"We are very pleased and excited about the PGT-PG&E expansion pipe order and its tremendous implications for our operations in California," said Thomas B. Boklund, president of Oregon Steel. "The order is a great opportunity for our plant, equipment and employees in Northern and Southern California.

"It will really play a major role in the use of our rolling plate facilities at Fontana, California, and our pipe mill at Napa, California," added Boklund. "All of the steel plate for the pipe will be produced in Fontana and the pipe will be formed in Napa with slab production supported from our Portland, Oregon, operation."

The project is expected to get underway in early 1992 with project completion set for the fourth quarter of 1993. The Napa Pipe contract calls for pipe deliveries in 1992 and 1993.

Manufacturing release for the order is contingent upon regulatory approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the California Public Utilities Commission.

In addition, the company announced that due to scheduled downtime for maintenance and capital improvement additions to the company's Portland and Fontana plate mills and Napa pipe mill, 1990 fourth quarter earnings are anticipated to be less than those reported in the third quarter of 1990.

Oregon Steel is a producer of steel plate and large-diameter steel pipe with facilities in Portland, Ore., and Fontana and Napa, Calif.

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#90353p4959 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

OAK BROOK, IL. (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Citing growing consumer anxiety, increased promotional activity and an increasingly difficult credit environment, Spiegel Inc. (NASDAQ: SPGLA) said today that its holiday season margin performance is below earlier expectations.

"As the recession has taken hold, the consumer has sought out promotional opportunities," said Spiegel Vice Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Jack Shea. "The result has been a solid increase in holiday sales but

greater than expected pressure on margins." Spiegel's 125th Anniversary Sale book and Eddie Bauer's Ultimate Winter Sale catalogs are both performing above expectations.

Sales strength has remained firm at Spiegel catalog and at Eddie Bauer. However, the high-style Honeybee unit, with business concentration in the Northeast and products aimed at working women, has been particularly hard-hit by consumer retrenchment this holiday shopping season.

Despite the soft retail environment, Spiegel's successful promotional activities have allowed Spiegel to incrementally increase market share. "While Spiegel clearly will be affected by an extended recession, along with other retailers," said Shea. "Spiegel's ability to maintain and grow market share under adverse conditions augurs well for 1991 and beyond."

Spiegel Inc. is the nation's largest in-home direct marketer and a leading specialty retailer. The company markets wearing apparel, household furnishings and other merchandise through semi-annual and specialty catalogs distributed to more than 30 million U.S. households. Spiegel's Class A non-voting common stock trades on the NASDAQ Market System.

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MINNEAPOLIS, (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Infinite Graphics Incorporated (NASDAQ: INFGC) today announced extension of compliance requirement date by the NASDAQ.

Infinite Graphics has been and is continuing to restructure its business which affects the balance sheet and the future operations of the company. Part of the restructuring process and planning is to receive an extension of time to correct the capital and surplus deficiency requirements under NASDAQ. The company was granted an extension until March 15, 1991. The company believes it can meet the requirements by that date.

Infinite Graphics Incorporated's common stock will continue to be included for quotation in the National Association of Securities Dealer's Automated Quotations System (NASDAQ) via an exception from the capital and surplus requirement.

While Infinite Graphics Incorporated failed to meet this requirement as of 7/31/90, the NASD has granted a temporary exception from this standard subject to Infinite Graphics Incorporated meeting certain conditions. While the company believes that it can meet these conditions, there can be no assurance that it will do so. If at some future date the company's securities should cease to be quoted on the NASDAQ System, the company should continue to be quoted in the over-the- counter market. For the duration of the exception,

the company's NASDAQ symbol will be INFGC.

Infinite Graphics Incorporated is a total solutions precision graphics company that has served the engineering and manufacturing marketplace since 1969. Infinite Graphics develops and markets engineering graphics services and products for precision graphics and printed circuit board: manufacturing, design and testing. Headquartered in Minneapolis, the company markets its services and products in the United States, Canada, and Western Europe.

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PITTSBURGH, (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Consolidated Natural Gas Company's (NYSE: CNG) interstate pipeline subsidiary, CNG Transmission Corporation, said it will increase to 9.4 percent from 6.4 percent its interest in the Iroquois Gas Transmission System, a partnership of U.S. and Canadian energy companies formed to construct a 370-mile natural gas pipeline from the Canadian border to Long Island, N.Y.

Texas Eastern Iroquois, Inc., an affiliate of Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation will transfer its 6.4 percent interest in the project to CNG Transmission and affiliates of ANR Pipeline Corporation and Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company. As a result of the transfer, CNG Transmission and the ANR affiliate will increase their partnership interests by 3 percent each, and the Tennessee affiliate will increase its share by 0.4 percent. The transfer is expected to take place in February 1991.

The Iroquois pipeline, as approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission last month, will transport 576 million cubic feet of natural gas a day to customers in metropolitan New York City and New England. On an annual basis, this is the energy equivalent of more than 30 million barrels of oil.

"We look forward to our increased ownership in Iroquois and to further participating in the growing market for natural gas in the northeastern U.S.," a Consolidated executive said.

Consolidated is one of the country's largest producers, transporters and distributors of natural gas. Its primary marketing areas for natural gas are in Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia, New York and other states in the Northeast. The company explores for and produces gas and oil throughout the United States and in Canada.

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ST. LOUIS (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Jefferson Smurfit Group plc announced on Dec. 13 that a wholly owned subsidiary has acquired from News International Townsend Hook Group Limited, the operating subsidiaries of which are Townsend Hook Limited, The Hale Paper Co. Limited, and Snodland Fibres Limited.

Townsend Hook Limited is a Paper Mill with three machines, two of which have a capacity of 150,000 tonnes of waste-based case making materials for the corrugated case markets, and one machine producing wood free matt coated papers.

The company operates from a single 61-acre mill site on the River Medway in Snodland, Kent in the Southeast of England. The Mill is one of the largest in the country and is renowned for its quality product. Amongst its trade names are Fineblade Cartridge, Fineblade Smooth, Fine Flute, Fine Chip and Fine Liner.

The two other small operating companies being acquired carry on business as paper merchants and a waste paper agent. Sales total approximately U.S. $145,125,000 (Stg 75 million Irish pounds) and the Mill has been consistently profitable over the years. Smurfit expect E.P.S. to be enhanced as a result of the acquisition. The consideration was not material in the context of the Jefferson Smurfit Group.

Commenting on the purchase, Dermot F. Smurfit, joint deputy chairman of the Jefferson Smurfit Group and chairman and chief executive of Smurfit in the UK says "We have known and admired Townsend Hook's operations for many years and this acquisition will significantly add to the strategic development of Smurfit's business in the UK. Townsend Hook will join our other Paper Mills in the UK; Smurfit Paper & Board, Burnley and Smurfit Paper Mill, Tamworth under the direct control of Tony Smith, chief executive of our Paper and Board Division."

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#90353p4976 12/19/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA, (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Arby's, Inc. today announced the resignation of Frank Belatti as chief operating officer, effective immediately. The resignation was accepted by Victor Posner, chairman of DWG Corporation (AMEX: DWG), which owns Arby's.

"While I'm sorry to lose a man of Frank Belatti's talents, his decision was clearly a personal one and, in no way, reflects the regard we hold for each other. I wish him well. Fortunately, Arby's has a well-experienced management team that is committed to the days ahead. Our plans are already set

for moving Arby's forward in the coming year," stated Posner.

Belatti's resignation comes following the announcement late November that Posner will relocate Arby's headquarters to Miami in 1991.

Posner stated that a search is already under way for a new chief operating officer.

Belatti also submitted his resignation as president of the Arby's Franchise Association (AFA) to board chairman Joe Smaltz. The AFA is the marketing organization of the Arby's franchisees.

Belatti did not indicate his future plans. Arby's showed a strong performances in 1990 despite a sluggish economy and heavy competitive pressures. It is projecting systemwide sales to reach a record height of $1.5 billion. Arby's expects to open 230 restaurants by year-end 1990 and now have nearly 600 commitments for new restaurants in the future. Also in 1990, Arby's, Inc. built or acquired more company restaurants than any time in its history, opened two new international markets and acquired a second restaurant concept.

Arby's is a leading international fast-food chain, with more than 2,350 restaurants in the United States, Canada, Asia, Mexico, the Caribbean and Australia. Arby's is ranked as an industry leader in areas such as technology product marketing, nutritional and consumer information and community service.

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ODESSA (DEC. 19) TASS - PEOPLE IN ODESSA HAVE RECEIVED 6,000 CHRISTAMS GREETINGS FROM REGENSBURG, ITS SISTER GERMAN CITY. THE SAME AMOUNT OF PARCELS WITH FOODSTUFFS, BABY FOOD AND MEDICINES ARRIVED IN ODESSA FROM THE UPPER REACHES OF THE DANUBE RIVER BY A SPECIAL COLUMN OF TRUCKS LOADED BY REGENSBURG RESIDENTS.

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE RED CROSS SOCIETY ACCOMPANIED THE CARGO. COLLECTED BY PUPILS, RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES AND PUBLIC ORGANISATIONS, THE GOODS WERE DISTRIBUTED, UNDER THE OBSERVATION OF THE SPECIAL COMMISSION OF THE ODESSA GOVERNING COUNCIL, AMONG LOW-INCOME AND LONELY CITIZENS, GERIATRIC CENTRES, CHILDREN'S HOMES AND BOARDING SCHOOLS.

"BY THIS ACTION ON CHRISTMAS EVE WE WANTED TO SHOW RESIDENTS OF ODESSA, WITH WHOM WE SIGNED A SISTER CITY AGREEMENT LAST AUTUMN, THAT WE FEEL FOR THEM DURING THE HARDSHIPS YOUR COUNTRY IS EXPERIENCING," WALTER ANNUS, REGENSBURG BURGOMASTER WHO ARRIVED IN ODESSA ON THIS OCCASION, TOLD UKRINFORM-TASS.

"I WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASISE THAT PEOPLE IN MY TOWN PUT THEIR HEART IN THESE

PARCELS AND FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT YOUR DIFFICULTIES WILL BE LEFT BEHIND. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT OUR CITIZENS RAISED ABOUT 200,000 WEST GERMAN MARKS TO AID ODESSA. AT THE REQUEST OF SOVIET AUTHORITIES AND SPECIALISTS, WE WILL USE THESE FUNDS TO PURCHASE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT," ANNUS SAID.

BEFORE DEPARTURE, ANNUS SAID THAT HE DISCUSSED THE DEVELOPMENT OF CONTACTS BETWEEN HIS CITY AND ODESSA. HE BELIEVES THAT THERE ARE GOOD PROSPECTS FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN UNIVERSITIES, SCHOOLS, MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS, SOCIAL AID ORGANISATIONS AND RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES IN THE SISTER CITIES.

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LENINGRAD (DEC. 19) TASS - A JOINT SOVIET-U.S. FIRM HAS BEEN SET UP TO BUILD A WORLD TRADE CENTRE IN LENINGRAD. THE FIRM'S FOUNDERS ARE THE LENINGRAD CITY COUNCIL, THE LENAVTOTRANS ASSOCIATION AND THE U.S. INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

"WE WANT TO BE ONE OF THE FIRST TO MAKE USE OF THE TRADE BRIDGE BETWEEN LENINGRAD AND THE REST OF THE WORLD," FIRM PRESIDENT ROBERT SCHWARTZ SAID AT A PRESS CONFERENCE. "WE BELIEVE THAT RUSSIA WILL BECOME AS RICH A COUNTRY AS THE UNITED STATES IN TIME," HE SAID.

THE COMPLEX TO SERVICE FOREIGN AND SOVIET MERCHANTS WILL RISE ON MOSKOVSKY AVENUE, A PRESTIGIOUS DISTRICT. THE PROXIMITY OF THE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND THE CENTRE OF THE CITY MAKES FOR A SUITABLE LOCATION. THE COMPLEX WILL INCLUDE A COMFORTABLE HOTEL WITH SEVERAL RESTAURANTS, A SWIMMING POOL, GYMNASIUM, OFFICES, A SUPERMARKET, A 250-APARTMENT BUILDING AND EXHIBITION AND CONFERENCE HALLS.

THE CONSTRUCTION IS ESTIMATED TO COST 225 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS TO BE SUPPLIED BY THE U.S. SIDE. THE AGREEMENT ALSO STIPULATES SETTING ASIDE 20 MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE FUND FOR LENINGRAD'S REVIVAL AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF ITS INFRASTRUCTURE.

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION VICE-PRESIDENT ADRIAN VERNER, WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROJECT'S ARCHITECTURAL PLAN, SAID THAT THE CENTRE WOULD BE BUILT IN ACCORDANCE WITH LENINGRAD'S STYLE. THE SIDES INTEND TO MAKE THEIR FIRST PROFIT IN 1994.

NEW PLANS OF COOPERATION INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCITON OF AN ENTERPRISE TO ASSEMBLE SMALL-SIZE TRUCKS IN LENINGRAD.

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#90353t0043 12/19/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (DEC. 19) TASS - "THE U.S. MAGAZINE READER'S DIGEST, WHICH IS POPULAR THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, WILL BE PUBLISHED IN RUSSIAN STARTING FROM 1991 AND

DISTRIBUTED IN THE SOVIET UNION," STANISLAV OSTAPISHIN, GENERAL DIRECTOR OF THE SOVIET MEZHDUNARODNAYA KNIGA FOREIGN TRADE ASSOCIATION, TOLD TASS.

THE MAGAZINE'S TRIAL CIRCULATION IN THE USSR IS EXPECTED TO TOTAL 50,000 COPIES. SPECIALISTS BELIEVE THAT THE CIRCULATION MAY SUBSEQUENTLY DOUBLE.

MOSCOW'S PROGRESS PUBLISHERS WILL TRANSLATE MATERIALS FOR THE MAGAZINE'S RUSSIAN PUBLICATION. THE MAGAZINE WILL BE PRINTED IN ONE OF THE BEST PRINTING SHOPS IN MOSCOW. THE RUSSIAN EDITION'S VOLUME AND FORMAT ARE SIMILAR TO THE ORIGINAL. AMERICAN PARTNERS WILL SUPPLY THE MAGAZINE WITH PAPER AND OTHER MATERIALS AND WILL PUBLISH ADVERTISEMENTS IN IT.

READER'S DIGEST IS NOT THE ONLY U.S. PUBLICATION SOON TO APPEAR IN RUSSIAN TRANSLATION. TRIAL ISSUES OF BUSINESS WEEK MAGAZINE HAVE ALREADY BEEN PUBLISHED IN RUSSIAN. ITS EDITOR-IN-CHIEF VLADIMIR SHVEDOV SAID IT STIRRED GREAT INTEREST AMONG SOVIET BUSINESS CIRCLES.

THE MOSCOW PUBLISHERS RADIO I SVYAZ (RADIO AND COMMUNICATION) HAS COOPERATED SUCCESSFULLY WITH AMERICAN PUBLISHRES: IT BEGAN TO ISSUE THE WORLD OF PERSONAL COMPUTERS MAGAZINE IN RUSSIAN. THE CIRCULATION OF THIS PUBLICATION, WHICH IS ISSUED ONCE EVERY TWO MONTHS, WILL TOTAL 50,000 COPIES NEXT YEAR.

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VILNIUS (DEC. 19) TASS - LITHUANIA AND MOLDAVIA TODAY SIGNED A COOPERATION AGREEMENT FOR 1991.

THE AGREEMENT, SIGNED BY PRIME MINISTERS KAZIMIERA PRUNSKIENE AND MIRCA DRUK, EMBRACES ALL ASPECTS OF POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL COOPERATION, SAID LITHUANIAN GOVERNMENT ADVISER B. ZAIKAUSKAS.

THE AGREEMENT TAKES INTO ACCOUNT THE SIDES' STATEHOOD AND DOES NOT MEAN THAT THEY JOIN ANY UNIONS. MUTUAL DELIVERIES AND EXCHANGES OF GOODS IN 1991 WILL BE NO LESS THAN THIS YEAR.

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#90353u0051 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 19) UPI - Two senators just back from Saudi Arabia say American military commanders told them that a war with Iraq would last NO more than five days. But White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater is NOT as optimistic, saying ''we would be most reluctant to put days or minutes on it.''

Indiana authorities are saying tonight it appears one person was responsible for seven shotgun slayings in northwest Indiana since October 30th. Portage Police Sergeant Warren Lewis says evidence points toward one person, but he says investigators have NOT totally discounted the possibility of copycat

killings.

Lewis says investigators have developed several new leads and believe the gunman recently suffered a- quote- ''traumatic event'' in his personal life. He refused to elaborate. Robbery appeared to be the motive in all seven deaths. And eighth victim survived.

In Chile, army units around the country have declared a maximum state of alert following rumors the government has asked Armed Forces Commander in Chief Augusto Pinochet to resign. Army sources say the state of alert is in support of Pinochet. Chile's defense minister denies the rumors.

Assistant Education Secretary Michael Williams stood up a House panel examining his short-lived ban on scholarships for minorities. Chairman Augustus Hawkings called Williams failure to appear ''an affront'' to Congress and the American people.

But an Education Department spokesman says Williams cancelled the appearance because- quote- ''He feels that he has said all he can say on the issue.'' Williams created a firestorm of controversy last week by ruling that scholarships reserved for minorities are illegal.

NASA has developed a 40-Million-dollar plan to fix the troubled Hubble Space Telescope. Officials say the repairs would be conducted during a spacewalk by shuttle astronauts in 1993 and should restore the telescope to at least 90 percent of its intended capacity.

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#90353u0145 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

PARK CITY, Utah (DEC. 19) UPI - Seven passengers were killed and 41 other people were injured when a Chicago-bound Greyhound bus was broadsided and overturned by a big-rig truck in a blizzard near the Wyoming border, officials said.

The accident occurred about 9:30 a.m. Tuesday at Echo Junction on Interstate 80, near the Wyoming state line about 40 miles east of the resort town of Park City, where a winter storm was already raging.

Gary Whitney, a Utah Highway Patrol public information officer, said there were seven confirmed deaths and 16 people hospitalized. A total of 41 people were treated for injuries. He said it appeared all the fatalities were bus passengers.

Greyhound spokesman George Gravley said the Chicago-bound bus was carrying 43 passengers when it was hit and overturned.

''At the point of the accident, the interstate's westbound lanes are elevated.

An 18-wheeler westbound slid off the pavement, down onto the median separating the lanes and ran onto the eastbound lanes, striking the bus on the side. The bus then slid off the highway on its side in the ditch,'' Gravley said.

The truck bounced off the bus and struck a second big rig, he said.

The highway was icy and swept by high winds, Whitney said.

''We're not sure what caused the accident up there, though it appears the weather and road conditions could have been a factor. It's real icy in the area and we have high winds.'' Whitney said. Interstate 80 was closed in both directions between Park City, Utah and Evanston, a distance of about 50 miles.

One witness said people were standing on the side of the bus, pulling victims out through the windows.

''They were just all moaning and groaning and freezing,'' said the witness, Blaine Whimpey of Morgan, Utah. ''They wanted a warm place to get into. Of course, everybody was in shock.''

The National Weather Service had issued a snow advisory for Utah earlier Tuesday, forecasting winds to 55 mph, and blowing and drifting snow. The front had not reached Utah at the time of the accident.

''The biggest problem we're having right now is the visibility and the winds '' said Sgt. Robert Barrie, of the Summit County's Sheriff's Department. ''Air Med and LifeFlight (helicopters) have been forced to set down somewhere in the canyons back on the Utah side.''

The weather forced rescuers to shuttle victims by ambulance from the crash site to where the helicopters were able to land, Barrie said.

East and westbound traffic on the interstate was blocked for several hours, backing traffic up for several miles. The eastbound lanes were re-opened about 2 p.m. MST.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	19	4	.826	-
Philadelphia	16	7	.696	3
New York	10	12	.454	8 1/2

New Jersey	8	14	.364	10 1/2
Washington	7	15	.318	11 1/2
Miami	5	17	.227	13 1/2

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	17	7	.708	-
Chicago	15	8	.652	1 1/2
Detroit	14	9	.609	2 1/2
Atlanta	11	11	.500	5
Cleveland	10	14	.417	7
Indiana	9	15	.375	8
Charlotte	8	14	.364	8

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	15	5	.750	-
Utah	16	8	.667	1
Houston	13	11	.542	4
Dallas	7	14	.333	8 1/2
Minnesota	7	15	.318	9
Denver	5	17	.227	11
Orlando	5	20	.200	12 1/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	22	2	.917	-
LA Lakers	14	7	.667	6 1/2
Phoenix	14	7	.667	6 1/2
Golden State	13	10	.565	8 1/2
LA Clippers	10	13	.435	11 1/2
Seattle	8	13	.381	12 1/2
Sacramento	6	15	.286	14 1/2

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#90353u0172 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 19) UPI - President Bush said he believes Americans support his Persian Gulf policy and reiterated that if war with Iraq does break out, the conflict would not become another Vietnam.

Bush told a meeting of regional editors Tuesday he favored a ''peaceful settlement'' to the crisis, but noted the fast approaching U. N.-mandated Jan. 15 deadline authorizing force to remove Iraq from Kuwait.

The president outlined the scenario for war in the gulf as prospects dimmed for high-level peace talks between U.S. and Iraqi officials.

Bush said his advisers have predicted ''all kinds of ranges on how quickly this guy (Iraqi President Saddam Hussein) would fold, but none that I know of are predicting anything like the long drawn out bitter experience of Vietnam.''

''The agony of Vietnam is still with us,'' Bush said. ''People remember a protracted war. They remember a war where individuals were asked to fight with one hand tied behind their back in essence. This will not be, in my view, that kind of confrontation.''

Bush said he feels he has the support of the American people, but that it would erode if the United States got into a prolonged war in the gulf.

In Brussels, Belgium, the European Community foreign ministers decided Tuesday they would not meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz unless he first holds talks in Washington with Bush.

Secretary of State James Baker told the ministers earlier in the day the United States would not oppose a meeting between Aziz and the EC, as long as Iraq did not receive ''mixed messages'' from the countries involved.

Baker, in Brussels for a meeting of NATO foreign ministers, also said he expected Iraq to attempt ''diplomatic sleights-of-hand'' in the coming weeks and reiterated that a partial Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait was unacceptable.

Proposed meetings between Aziz and Bush in Washington and between Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad have been stymied as the two countries argue about appropriate dates, 28 days before the U.N. deadline.

Excerpts of an interview with Saddam taped in Baghdad earlier were released Tuesday in Ankara by Turkish state television. Saddam told the interviewer, ''There is no need for us to go to Washington if Bush is to repeat to us the U.N. Security Council resolutions.'' The resolutions call for the complete withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2.

Turkish television said the full interview would be aired Wednesday night. It did not say when the interview was taped.

The EC had earlier this month agreed that Aziz would meet with EC President Gianni de Michelis, the foreign minister of Italy, after his talks with Bush in Washington. The ministers said Saturday they would not change the ground rules for the proposed EC meeting.

Baker said the United States would not object to the Aziz-de Michelis talks and supported all diplomatic efforts toward peace.

''The one thing we do discourage are discordant messages, mixed messages or mixed signals,'' he said. ''The message that's going to go to the Iraqis must be a unifrom message, which is that they must comply with the United Nations

resolutions in full.''

At the Pentagon, spokeman Pete Williams said the U.S. forces in the Gulf region - which now total more than 270,000 - will be prepared to force Iraq out of Kuwait on Jan. 15.

He said the United States ''absolutely'' would be ready for offensive action on that day.

The U.S. troops now in the region are joined by about 220,000 allied forces, and the U.S. contingent is expected to grow to about 430,000 by mid January or early February.

In a related development, administration officials said Vice President Dan Quayle will visit U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia sometime after Christmas. The date of his trip was not released.
In other developments:

Iranian President Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani said Iran was opposed to a U.S. attack on Iraq, but that Baghdad would be responsible if war broke out in the region, the official Islamic Republic News Agency reported.

-Britain's Prince Charles will visit British troops in Saudi Arabia over the weekend in a trip arranged at his request, the British Defense Ministry said.

-Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported that the foreign minister of Yugoslavia will lead a delegation of non-aligned countries to Baghdad on a peace mission that sources in Baghdad said Saddam welcomed.

-Iraq said 626 children had died during the past month as a result of the economic embargo imposed against Iraq by the United Nations following the invasion, according to a report from the official Iraqi news agency INA.

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#90353u0176 12/19/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 19) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has pushed prospects for high-level U-S-Iraqi talks farther apart. Saddam said in a Turkish television interview that he sees NO need for his foreign minister to go to Washington and meet with President Bush if Bush is going to reiterate demands that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait.

In New York, the accused killer of militant Zionist Rabbi Meir Kahane remains behind bars. A state Supreme Court judge in Manhattan Tuesday revoked a 300-thousand-dollar bail set for El Sayyid Nosair, saying evidence showed the Egyptian immigrant might flee. Justice Alvin Schlesinger said- ''I changed my mind,'' and sent Nosair back to Riker's Island Jail.

South African President Frederik de Klerk has leveled his strongest attack yet on the African National Congress. De Klerk Tuesday accused the A-N-C of fanning ''the flames of confrontation.'' Speaking on state- run television, he said he's disappointed that the A-N-C appears to have reverted to ''outdated rhetoric and policies'' in a bid to speed an end to white minority rule.

Drug Enforcement Administration officials insist there's NO link between the agency and the 1988 terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland. D-E-A Assistant Administrator Stephen Greene told a packed House subcommittee hearing Tuesday that the D-E-A had NO part in the tragedy that left 270 people dead.

Broadcast reports have said Pan Am flights from Frankfurt, West Germany, including Flight 103, were used several times by an undercover D-E-A operation to fly informants and suitcases of heroin into Detroit. The flights were part of an elaborate sting operation to snare Middle East drug dealers. The reports said drug operatives may have uncovered the operation and retaliated by slipping a bomb in the suitcase of a Lebanese-American said to be acting as a D-E-A courier.

New York Representative Ted Weiss told a congressional panel Tuesday that the government has failed to require manufacturers prove that silicone breast implants are safe, despite mounting evidence the devices may endanger women's health. Weiss accused the Food and Drug Administration of ''dragging its feet'' on regulating breast implants.

F-D-A officials, however, defend their actions, saying they're balancing safety concerns against the value of implants to breast cancer patients. In addition, the officials say evidence indicates any adverse health effects from silicone implants appear relatively rare.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	20	11	5	45	140	109
Philadelphia	19	16	3	41	127	122
New Jersey	17	13	5	39	138	120
Washington	18	17	0	36	117	108
Pittsburgh	16	16	3	35	146	132
NY Islanders	11	16	4	26	89	114

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	18	11	5	41	115	109
Montreal	16	16	3	35	111	113
Hartford	14	16	4	32	97	113
Buffalo	11	15	7	29	102	111
Quebec	8	21	6	22	100	153

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	23	11	2	48	122	91
St. Louis	20	9	4	44	115	90
Detroit	17	13	4	38	128	124
Minnesota	10	19	6	26	101	116
Toronto	8	25	2	18	92	145

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	20	11	4	44	145	109
Los Angeles	17	10	5	39	133	106
Vancouver	14	17	3	31	107	120
Edmonton	13	16	2	28	98	99
Winnipeg	10	20	7	27	120	139

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(DEC. 19) UPI - With the game on the line, simply call it Magic's moment.

Magic Johnson hit a hook shot in the lane and a jumper from the left of the free throw line in the final 40 seconds Tuesday night to guide the Los Angeles Lakers to a 100-97 victory over the New York Knicks.

Each of the baskets pushed a Laker lead that had been as high as 12 points back to 3.

The Lakers struggled much of the second half and shot just 28 percent from the field in the third quarter (5 of 18). Johnson adjusted his game and decided to shoot more in the final period.

''I don't mind passing when things are going well,'' said Johnson, who had 10 of the Lakers' 17 assists. ''When things are going well, why should I shoot? In the last minute I knew I was going to shoot the ball, it was just a matter of where I was going to shoot from.''

After Kiki Vandeweghe sank one of two free throws to bring New York within 94-93, Johnson cut across the lane and laid in a little hook shot with 40 seconds remaining. Johnson dubbed the shot the junior sky hook after sinking a similiar shot to win Game 4 of the 1987 NBA Finals from the Boston Celtics.

Patrick Ewing, who finished with 33 points for New York, brought the Knicks within 96-95. Johnson then sank a 15-footer to put the Lakers up 98-95 with 13.8 seconds left.

Ewing hit another inside basket and Bryon Scott was fouled and sank both free throws to account for the final margin.

''We picked it up a notch down the stretch,'' said the Lakers' James Worthy. ''Coming down to the end of a game, we just have so much confidence in ourselves that sometimes that will make the difference in getting a victory.''

Johnson finished with 22 points and 11 assists and Worthy had 21 points. New York received 16 points and 10 assists from Mark Jackson.

The Knicks pulled ahead 86-83 with 5:12 left behind an 8-2 run. Ewing capped the streak with a thunderous dunk as the Lakers failed to get back on defense.

But Los Angeles scored the next 6 points to go up 89-86 with 3:48 left. Worthy who scored 8 points in the final 4 1-2 minutes, sank two free throws with 1:12 remaining to put the Lakers ahead 94-92.

The Knicks held the Lakers to just 17 points in the third quarter and trailed 75-73 entering the final period.

''We were right there,'' said New York's Gerald Wilkins. ''We looked good, but we still have some wrinkles.''

Elsewhere, Philadelphia pounded the LA Clippers 110-99, Utah upended Charlotte 105-100, Phoenix pinched Dallas 114-95, Chicago clipped Miami 112-103, San Antonio stopped Houston 96-95, Milwaukee dumped Detroit 106-101, Portland defeated Golden State 122-94, Sacramento stopped Minnesota 108-99 and Seattle crushed Orlando 122-105.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Sixers 110, LA Clippers 99

At Philadelphia, Charles Barkley scored 25 points and grabbed 15 rebounds and Rickey Green tied a season-high with 21 points. The Clippers have not won in Philadelphia since Oct. 31, 1975, losing 21 straight in the Spectrum.

Jazz 105, Hornets 100

At Charlotte, N.C., Karl Malone scored 30 points to lead Utah to its ninth victory in its last 11 games. Charlotte has lost seven straight.

Suns 114, Mavericks 95

At Dallas, Dan Majerle came off the bench to score 24 points to help the Suns win their sixth straight. Xavier McDaniel added 23 points and 11 rebounds. The Mavericks played without the injured Roy Tarpley, Herb Williams and Fat Lever.

Bulls 112, Heat 103

At Chicago, flu-ridden Michael Jordan scored 39 points, including 7 in a crucial 32-17 outburst to close out the first half and Scottie Pippen added 30 for the Bulls. It was the Heat's eighth straight loss.

Spurs 96, Rockets 95

At Houston, David Robinson sank two free throws with 23 seconds left to lift San Antonio. Houston's Willie Anderson missed two free throws with six seconds to go and Kenny Smith left a jumper short at the buzzer.

Bucks 106, Pistons 101

At Milwaukee, Jay Humphries scored a career-high 36 points and sank two free throws with seven seconds left as the Bucks collected their 13th straight victory at home. The Pistons have lost seven of their last eight games.

Blazers 122, Warriors 94

At Portland, Ore., Clyde Drexler scored 20 points and the Trail Blazers held the Warriors to 9 first-quarter points. Jerome Kersey added 18 points for the Blazers, who improved their league-leading record to 22-2.

Kings 108, Timberwolves 99

At Sacramento, Calif., Wayman Tisdale scored 25 points and Lionel Simmons added 24 for the Kings. The Kings have won five of their last seven, while the Wolves have dropped four of their last five.

Sonics 122, Magic 105

At Seattle, Derrick McKey scored 33 points and Sedale Threatt added 22 in a game delayed nearly an hour because of a snowstorm. Terry Catledge scored 30 points for the Magic.

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BEIJING (DEC. 19) UPI - A Chinese physicist who returned to his homeland to seek justice for a jailed dissident was given safe passage back to the United States Wednesday, saying family pressures forced him to cut his mission short.

Ge Xun, a 31-year-old doctoral candidate in physics at Texas A&M University, used the term ''frustrating'' to describe his quest for information about the

case against democracy activist Wang Juntao.

''I'm not satisfied,'' Ge said in a seedy hotel hours before his departure. ''My friend is being treated unfairly.''

Ge returned to China Dec. 10 to demand an ''open and fair'' trial for Wang, a magazine editor charged with sedition and spreading counterrevolutionary propaganda for activities during the 1989 democracy protests.

Wang, whom Ge befriended in 1982, was branded a key agitator of the massive protest movement crushed by Chinese troops on June 4, 1989.

Undercover police tailed Ge conspicuously as he trudged from office to office in search of the facts surrounding Wang's case, but Ge said the government at no time pressured him to leave.

Ge's case was being watched closely from abroad as well.

U.S. sources said the United States made several high-level requests that China safeguard Ge's rights out of concern he might be arrested for his bold affront to the hard-line regime.

The scholar's mission coincided with an official visit to Beijing by Washington's top human rights official, Assistant U.S. Secretary of State Richard Schifter, who repeatedly raised questions about Wang and other jailed dissidents with Chinese officials.

In the end, it was the urgings of Ge's distraught family that persuaded him to give up his quest and return to his studies.

''I would stay if it weren't for family pressure,'' Ge said after eight days in his hometown.

Ge said he also was concerned about his wife in Texas, explaining that she had been hospitalized for stress since his departure.

Ge was evasive when asked how his family in Beijing had managed to obtain an exit permit and return ticket to San Francisco for him in only a matter of days.

Such procedures can take weeks or even months for ordinary Chinese lacking crucial connections, or ''guanxi,'' to grease the necessary palms.

The amiable scholar said he hopes to return to observe Wang's trial, and proudly exhibited hand-written letters to senior Chinese leaders requesting fair treatment for the jailed dissident.

Ge said the letters - sealed with red-and-white Christmas tape proclaiming

''seasons greetings'' in English - asked Premier Li Peng, Communist Party chief Jiang Zemin, President Yang Shangkun and National People's Congress chairman Wan Li to ''presume Wang's innocence'' and release him on bail.

Ge finally located Wang's case at a branch of the Beijing Public Security Bureau after four tedious days of inquiries.

Officials told Ge his friend Wang was ''still under investigation'' and barred from seeing his wife. Wang could receive letters from Ge only if the contents were judged ''appropriate,'' the officials said.

''I would not use the word 'kind,''' Ge said in a wry description of the officials' manner.

Ge said officials at the state prosecutor's office told him they were not yet handling Wang's case, although the office had stamped the arrest notice that listed the charges against him.

The brief notice was delivered to Wang's wife Nov. 24.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Philadelphia at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
LA Clippers at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
LA Lakers at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Denver at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

Quebec at Montreal, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at NY Rangers, 8:35 p.m.
Washington at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - Utah authorities say they're NOT sure what caused a deadly collision of a Greyhound bus and two big-rig trucks Tuesday near the Wyoming state line. But officials say the weather may have been a factor as a blizzard

was sweeping the area at the time of the accident, about 40 miles east of Park City. Seven passengers were killed and 41 other people were injured when the Chicago-bound bus was broadsided and overturned by a big-rig truck. The truck bounced off the bus and struck a second big rig.

President Bush says he favors a ''peaceful settlement'' to the Persian Gulf crisis. But in remarks to regional editors Tuesday in Washington, Bush noted the fast approaching U-N-mandated January 15th deadline authorizing force to remove Iraq from Kuwait. The president reiterated that any conflict in the Gulf region will NOT become another Vietnam. He said his advisers have predicted- quote- ''all kinds of ranges'' on how quickly Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would fold, if war broke out.

A major Colombian drug kingpin is in custody after turning himself in to government authorities in Bogota. 33-year-old Fabio Ochoa, a high-ranking member of Colombia's notorious Medellin drug cartel, surrendered Tuesday to avoid extradition to the United States where he faces drug trafficking charges in Louisiana and Florida. His surrender falls under a new government measure that reduces jail sentences and protects suspects from extradition.

President Bush is rejecting suggestions his administration flip- flopped on the issue of race-exclusive scholarships. Bush says the White House had NO warning of Assistant Education Secretary of civil rights Michael Williams' initial decision to ban scholarships reserved for minorities. But Williams Tuesday reversed himself after meeting with White House officials, citing political naivete.

The N-double-A-C-P says the department's change of heart- quote- ''helps put the genie back in the bottle.'' But the American Council on Education, which represents higher education institutions, says it doesn't think much of the administration's reversal. It says the new decision in fact still holds that the tremendous bulk of scholarships available for minorities are illegal.

Researchers report that high levels of cholesterol in children don't necessarily mean they will have worrisome levels of the artery-clogging substance as adults. A study of more than 23-hundred Iowa school children found about three-quarters of the girls and half of the boys who had high blood cholesterol levels between ages 8 and 18 had normal cholesterol counts as young adults. The study by University of Iowa's Dr. Ronald Lauer and William Clarke was reported in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - Nothing Detroit Red Wings rookie Sergei Fedorov does surprises linemate Brent Fedyk.

''He'll do whatever it takes,'' Fedyk said Tuesday night after the Red Wings

took a 3-1 victory over the Philadelphia Flyers. ''He's so good at holding onto the puck and waiting for something to happen. And he's so strong with the puck that it's hard to knock him off of it.''

Fedorov scored his 16th goal of the season with 2:54 remaining in the third period to lift the Red Wings to victory. His goal spoiled a brilliant performance by Flyers goaltender Ron Hextall, who stopped 27 shots, including several outstanding opportunities by the Red Wings in the third period when they outshot the Flyers 16-4.

The Soviet defector also had an assist on Fedyk's goal that tied the game 1-1 at 1:18 of the second period and has figured in all but one of Detroit's last seven goals - scoring three and assisting on three others.

Fedorov's goal came after Hextall stopped Johan Garpenlov's shot from the bottom of the faceoff circle. Fedorov was trailing on the play and knocked the rebound into the net while he was being checked by Philadelphia's Ron Sutter.

''I'm very happy with him,'' Detroit Coach Bryan Murray said about Fedorov. ''He creates a lot of chances for us, and tonight he gets the big goal.''

Steve Yzerman wrapped up the scoring with an empty-net goal with just 13 seconds remaining.

Detroit goaltender Glen Hanlon made 19 saves as he recorded his fourth victory in six starts since being called up from San Diego on Nov. 22.

''It wasn't really the goaltending tonight, but a solid effort by the entire hockey team,'' Hanlon said. ''I've been lucky that the stretch because we've played some quality games.''

The Flyers jumped out to a 1-0 lead when a high shot from the left point by Dave Fenyves hit Hanlon's glove and went into the net at 14:45 of the first period.

''We had a fair amount of chances in the first period and didn't score,'' Philadelphia Coach Paul Holmgren said. ''Then they got stronger as the game went on and we failed for some reason.''

In other NHL games Tuesday night, Pittsburgh routed Winnipeg 9-2, Toronto and the New York Islanders tied 2-2, Quebec slipped by Montreal 6-4, Buffalo beat Hartford 4-3 in overtime and New Jersey hammered Boston 8-3.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Penguins 9, Jets 2

At Pittsburgh, Mark Recchi scored a goal and two assists for the Penguins and

Paul Coffey became the third NHL defenseman to record 700 career assists. The victory was Pittsburgh's fourth straight, while the Jets lost their second game in a row.

Islanders 2, Maple Leafs 2

At Uniondale, N.Y., Pat Lafontaine scored his 20th goal of the season early in the third period to lift the Islanders into the tie. Lafontaine ripped a slap shot past goaltender Peter Ing at 2:47 to help the Islanders run their unbeaten streak to four games (2-0-2).

Nordiques 6, Canadiens 4

At Quebec, Joe Sakic scored a goal and added two assists to help the Nordiques rally for the victory over the Canadiens, losers of three straight games. Quebec's Tony Hrkac snapped a 3-3 tie at 2:58 of the third period and Sakic raised the Nordiques' lead to 5-3 less than two minutes later.

Sabres 4, Whalers 3

At Hartford, Conn., Dave Andreychuk scored at 1:07 of overtime to help the Sabres end a five-game losing streak. Rick Vaive scored twice and Uwe Krupp also scored for the Sabres, 11-15-7, who are just 2-6-1 since Nov. 28.

Devils 8, Bruins 3

At East Rutherford, N.J., Alan Stewart, Peter Stastny and Doug Brown scored second-period goals to break open a close game and propel the Devils to victory. The win was New Jersey's first in its last four games and snapped the Bruins four-game unbeaten streak.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

LA CLIPPERS (99)

Norman 11-23 0-0 22, Manning 3-12 2-2 8, Smith 12-21 7-9 31, Grant 0-4 0-0 0, Kimble 4-13 1-1 10, Martin 6-8 0-2 13, Vaught 4-8 1-2 9, Garland 1-3 2-2 4, Bannister 1-1 0-0 2, Garrick 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-93 13-18 99.

PHILADELPHIA (110)

Barkley 8-13 9-15 25, Payne 2-9 0-0 4, Mahorn 3-5 2-2 8, Green 10-16 1-1 21, Hawkins 3-7 6-6 12, Anderson 8-14 0-0 16, Gminski 5-9 0-0 10, Turner 3-6 1-1 7 Williams 2-5 0-0 4, Oliver 1-5 1-1 3, Bol 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 45-89 20-27 110.

LA Clippers	27	18	24	30- 99
Philadelphia	36	20	28	26-110

Three-point goals-Kimble, Martin. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Los Angeles 24, Philadelphia, 16. Rebounds-Los Angeles 50 (Norman 22), Philadelphia 45 (Barkley 15). Assists-Los Angeles 19 (Grant 6), Philadelphia 22 (Barkley 7). Technicals-Philadelphia Coach Lynam. A-11,138.

UTAH (105)

Edwards 5-6 2-2 12, K. Malone 13-21 4-8 30, Eaton 3-6 0-2 6, Stockton 6-11 3-4 15, J. Malone 8-17 7-8 23, Bailey 2-7 1-2 5, Griffith 2-6 0-0 5, Brown 2-2 0-0 4, Rudd 2-5 1-4 5, Cummings 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 43-81 18-30 105.

CHARLOTTE (100)

Newman 8-14 6-7 22, Gilliam 8-15 7-8 23, Reid 8-15 1-3 17, Bogues 3-4 0-0 6, Chapman 8-16 2-4 18, Keys 1-5 0-0 2, Gattison 2-2 2-3 6, Curry 1-5 2-2 4, Gill 1-5 0-0 2. Totals 40-81 20-27 100.

Utah	24	28	20	33--105
Charlotte	26	26	24	24--100

Three-point goals-Griffith. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Utah 20, Charlotte 24. Rebounds-Utah 42 (K. Malone 17), Charlotte 38 (Reid 11). Assists-Utah 27 (Stockton 11), Charlotte 24 (Bogues 14). Technical fouls-Charlotte illegal defense, 2. A-23,901.

LA LAKERS (100)

Perkins 6-13 1-1 13, Worthy 8-18 5-5 21, Divac 4-5 2-3 10, Johnson 7-11 6-7 22 Scott 7-9 3-4 18, Thompson 0-1 0-0 0, A.C. Green 3-11 3-4 9, Drew 0-1 0-0 0, Teagle 2-5 3-4 7. Totals 37-74 23-28 100.

NEW YORK (97)

Mustaf 2-4 0-0 4, Oakley 4-9 1-2 9, Ewing 15-24 3-4 33, Jackson 8-14 0-2 16, G.Wilkins 6-12 3-4 15, Vandeweghe 2-7 1-1 5, Grant 0-0 0-0 0, E. Wilkins 1-3 0-0 2, Starks 4-9 0-0 9, Quinnett 1-2 0-0 2, Tucker 0-3 0-0 0, Walker 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 44-88 8-14 97.

LA Lakers	27	31	17	25--100
New York	23	27	23	24-- 97

Three-point goals-Johnson 2, Scott, Starks. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-LA Lakers 21, New York 21. Assists-LA Lakers 17 (Johnson 11), New York 33 (Jackson 10). Rebounds-LA Lakers 34 (Worthy, Divac, Green 6), New York 42 (Oakley 17). Technicals-New York, illegal defense 3. A- 19,081.

PHOENIX (114)

Chambers 4-13 7-7 15, McDaniel 10-17 3-4 23, West 2-2 1-1 5, Johnson 6-15 7-8 19, Hornacek 7-12 4-4 20, Perry 2-6 0-0 4, Majerle 9-15 3-3 24, Rambis 1-3 0-2 2, Nealy 0-1 2-2 2, Battle 0-1 0-0 0, Knight 0-0 0-0 0, Ceballos 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 41-85 27-31 114.

DALLAS (95)

McCray 8-10 3-3 19, White 8-19 1-4 17, Donaldson 5-9 3-4 13, Harper 4-12 4-6 12, Blackman 4-15 0-0 8, English 5-12 2-2 12, Davis 3-4 2-2 9, Alford 1-1 0-0 2, Upshaw 1-1 1-1 3, Grandholm 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 39-84 16-22 95.

Phoenix	24	34	27	29-114
Dallas	26	18	29	22- 95

Three-point goals-Majerle 3, Hornacek 2; Davis. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Phoenix 20, Dallas 21. Rebounds-Phoenix 43 (McDaniel 11), Dallas 39 (White 13). Assists-Phoenix 29 (Hornacek 8), Dallas 22 (Harper 7). Technicals-Dallas Coach Adubato. A-17,007.

GOLDEN STATE (94)

Mullin 7-14 1-1 15, Hill 4-7 2-4 10, Johnson 1-8 1-4 3, Hardaway 3-12 2-2 8, Richmond 6-15 7-8 19, Tolbert 0-3 0-0 0, Petersen 2-4 0-0 4, Lister 0-2 4-6 4, Higgins 4-5 4-4 12, Marciulionis 4-6 3-6 11, Pritchard 3-7 0-0 6, Smrek 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 35-85 24-35 94.

PORTLAND (122)

Kersey 7-9 3-4 18, Williams 5-6 2-7 12, Duckworth 2-10 5-6 9, Drexler 8-15 4-6 20, Porter 3-12 3-3 10, Robinson 6-12 2-3 14, Ainge 3-8 2-2 9, Cooper 1-3 0-0 2, Bryant 6-8 2-4 14, Young 2-10 2-2 6, Abdelnaby 2-3 0-0 4, Petrovic 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 47-100 25-37 122.

Golden State	9	29	31	25-- 94
Portland	35	35	22	30--122

Three-point goals-Kersey, Porter, Ainge. Fouled out-none. Team fouls-Golden State 27, Portland 24. Rebounds-Golden State 50 (Hill, Richmond 8), Portland 56 (Drexler 9). Assists-Golden State 20 (Hardaway, Marciulionis 6), Portland 28 (Ainge 10). Technicals-Hardaway. A-12,884.

MINNESOTA (99)

Corbin 10-16 7-9 27, Spencer 0-1 3-4 3, Breuer 2-2 0-0 4, Richardson 9-20 1-4 20, Campbell 9-20 10-11 28, Mitchell 1-5 7-10 9, Brooks 0-2 0-0 0, Thornton

1-2 4-4 6, West 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 33- 69 32-42 99.

SACRAMENTO (108)

Conner 8-15 2-6 18, Tisdale 8-15 9-10 25, Causwell 4-4 2-2 10, Sparrow 2-6 0-0 4, Simmons 9-17 6-8 24, Carr 7-10 3-5 17, Wood 1-2 2-2 4, Wennington 1-3 2-2 4 Calloway 0-0 2-4 2. Totals 40-72 28-39 108.

Minnesota	21	31	18	29- 99
Sacramento	26	23	29	30-108

Three-point goals-Richardson. Fouled out-Spencer; Carr. Total fouls-Minnesota 27, Sacramento 24. Rebounds-Minnesota 40 (Corbin 11), Sacramento 31 (Simmons 8). Assists-Minnesota 19 (Richardson 10), Sacramento 26 (Sparrow, Simmons 6). Technicals-None. A-17,014.

ORLANDO (105)

Catledge 12-22 6-10 30, Scott 3-11 0-0 7, Kite 0-2 0-0 0, N. Anderson 7-17 7-8 21, Skiles 7-16 7-7 24, Acres 1-1 2-4 4, Reynolds 7-13 3-4 17, Turner 1-1 0-0 2, Wiley 0-0 0-0 0, Ansley 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-83 25-33 105.

SEATTLE (122)

Kemp 7-14 6-13 20, McKey 12-17 9-9 33, Cage 1-5 0-0 2, Payton 4-6 1-1 9, Threatt 8-12 6-6 22, McMillan 2-4 0-0 5, E. Johnson 9-13 3-4 21, Barros 3-5 3-4 6, Corzine 0-0 0-0 0, Ellis 2-2 0-0 4.

Orlando	25	25	31	24--105
Seattle	32	33	30	27--122

Three-point goals-Skiles 3, Scott, McMillan. Fouled out-Catledge. Team fouls-Orlando 27, Seattle 22. Rebounds-Orlando 29 (Catledge 10), Seattle 39 (Kemp 11). Assists-Orlando 15 (Skiles 6), Seattle 33 (McMillan 14). A-1,568.

DETROIT (101)

Edwards 9-17 0-4 18, Rodman 3-10 1-2 7, Laimbeer 6-6 12, Dumars 8-18 3-3 19, Thomas 6-12 4-6 16, Johnson 4-9 0-0 8, Salley 3-11 5-9 11, Aguirre 4-10 1-1 10 Bedford 0-1 0-0 0, Rollins 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-98 20-31 101.

MILWAUKEE (106)

Brickowski 6-11 7-7 19, Roberts 3-4 0-0 6, Sikma 3-12 1-1 8, Humphries 14-22 5-5 36, Robertson 1-6 0-0 2, Anderson 0-0 0-0 0, Pierce 8-17 8-8 24, Lohaus 0-1 1-2 1, Schayes 2-4 6-6 10. Totals 37-78 28-29 106.

Detroit	27	21	29	24-101

Milwaukee 18 25 29 34-106

Three-point goals-Humphries 3, Sikma, Aguirre. Fouled out-Laimbeer. Total fouls- Detroit 25, Milwaukee 28. Rebounds-Detroit 50 (Laimbeer 13), Milwaukee 43 (Robertson 15). Assists-Detroit 26 (Thomas 14), Milwaukee 16 (Humphries 6). Technical- none. A-15,439.

SAN ANTONIO (96)

Cummings 6-18 5-6 18, Elliott 9-14 5-6 23, Robinson 4-17 10-10 18, Anderson 1-6 0-2 2, Strickland 8-13 1-3 17, Pressey 2-5 2-2 6, Greenwood 2-4 0-0 4, Myers 1-1 0-0 2, Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Higgins 3-4 0-0 6, Schintzius 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 36-82 23-29 96.

HOUSTON (95)

Johnson 3-6 1-2 7, Thorpe 4-10 4-5 12, Olajuwon 9-25 2-2 20, Maxwell 8-20 6-7 25, K. Smith 7-14 6-6 23, Winchester 0-1 0-0 0, Feitl 1- 3 0-0 2, Wood 1-2 0-0 2, Floyd 2-3 0-2 4, L. Smith 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 35-84 19-24 95.

San Antonio 23 25 18 30-96
Houston 27 19 25 24-95

Three-point goals-Maxwell 3, K. Smith 3, Cummings 1. Fouled out-B. Johnson. Total fouls-San Antonio 22, Houston 25. Rebounds-San Antonio 55 (Robinson 13), Houston 38 (Olajuwon 14). Assists-San Antonio 26 (Strickland 9), Houston 20 (K. Smith 7). Technicals-none. A-16,611.

MIAMI (103)

Thompson 0-2 0-0 0, Long 2-6 2-3 6, Davis 3-5 1-2 7, Douglas 6-12 6-8 18, Rice 7-18 3-3 17, Edwards 8-15 4-5 20, Kessler 7-12 0-0 14, Burton 4-13 7-7 15, Coles 2-4 2-2 6. Totals 39-87 25-30 103.

CHICAGO (112)

Pippen 11-17 7-11 30, Grant 2-9 4-5 8, Cartwright 3-7 0-0 6, Paxson 2-6 0-0 4, Jordan 14-22 11-12 39, Hopson 1-3 1-2 3, King 1-4 1-2 3, Perdue 2-2 1-2 5, Armstrong 1-6 2-2 4, Levingston 2-2 2-2 6, Hodges 1-5 2-2 4. Totals 40-83 31-40 112.

Miami 31 23 19 30--103
Chicago 30 34 22 26--112

Three-point goals-Pippen. Total fouls- Miami 30, Chicago 23. Fouled out-None. Rebounds-Miami 46 (Davis 9), Chicago 39 (Jordan 9). Assists-Miami 25 (Douglas 11), Chicago 31 (Armstrong, Jordan, Pippen 6). Technical foul-Miami coach Rothstein. A- 17,877.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Winnipeg	2	0	0	--2
Pittsburgh	3	2	4	--9

First period-1, Pittsburgh, Errey 8 (Jagr, Hrdina), 2:15. 2, Winnipeg, Numminen 5 (Evans, Arniel), 2:38. 3, Winnipeg, Duncanson 2 (Elynuik, Cronin), 7:20. 4, Pittsburgh, Bourque 11 (Mullen, Recchi), pp, 11:33. 5, Pittsburgh, Recchi 16 (Bourque, Coffey), 14:38.

Penalties-Eagles, Wpg, 8:20; Donnelly, Wpg, 11:00; Zalapski, Pit, 15:45.

Second period-6, Pittsburgh, Tanti 5 (Cullen, Murphy), 8:49. 7, Pittsburgh, Stanton 2 (Mullen, Recchi), 19:47.

Penalties-Barber, Wpg, 6:45; Donnelly, Wpg, 17:41.

Third period-8, Pittsburgh, Stevens 20 (Coffey, Taglianetti), :26. 9, Pittsburgh, Cullen 13 (Stevens), pp, 8:17. 10, Pittsburgh, Coffey 13 (Barrasso), 14:40. 11, Stanton 3 (Cullen, Tanti), pp, 17:02.

Penalties-Taglianetti, Pit, 2:30; Evans, Wpg, 6:39; Stanton, Pit, 6:39; Mantha Wpg, 6:53; Evans, Wpg, 12:34; Donnelly, Wpg, minor- misconduct, 17:02; Evans, Wpg, double minor-major (fighting), 17:52; Arniel, Wpg, misconduct, 17:52; Jagr, Pit, misconduct, 17:52; Coffey, Pit, minor-major (fighting), 17:52; Taglianetti, Pit, minor-game misconduct, 17:52; MacDermid, Wpg, 18:26; Zalapski, Pit, 18:26; Cullen, Pit, 19:15.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 4-13-11-28. Pittsburgh 16-17-10-43.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 4-0. Pittsburgh 7-3.

Goaltenders-Winnipeg, Beauregard. Pittsburgh, Barrasso. A-14,543.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

Philadelphia	1	0	0	--1
Detroit	0	1	2	--3

First period-1, Philadelphia, Fenyves 1 (Eklund, Tocchet), 14:15.

Penalties-Fedorov, Det, 10:24; Smith, Phi, 16:27.

Second period-2, Detroit, Fedyk 6 (Fedorov, Zombo), 1:18.

Penalties-Mellanby, Phi, 7:44; Carkner, Phi, 11:05; Chiasson, Det, 11:56.

Third period-3, Detroit, Fedorov 16 (Garpenlov, Green), 17:06. 4, Detroit, Yzerman 19 (Fedyk), en, 19:47.

Penalties-Tocchet, Phi, 4:42; Dollas, Det, 4:42; Ricci, Phi, 5:37; Garpenlov, Det, 11:45; Murphy, Phi, 12:44; Philadelphia bench (served by Kushner), 19:47; Tocchet, Phi, 19:47; Carkner, Phi, misconduct, 19:47; Primeau, Det, 19:47; McKay, Det, misconduct, 19:47.

Shots on goal-Philadelphia 12-4-4-20. Detroit 7-7-16-30.

Power-play conversions-Philadelphia 3-0. Detroit 5-0.

Goaltenders-Philadelphia, Hextall. Detroit, Hanlon. A-19,396.

Referee-Rob Schick.

Buffalo	1	2	0	1-4
Hartford	0	2	1	0-3

First period-1, Buffalo, Krupp 5 (Hawerchuk, Bodger), pp, 7:57.

Penalties-Hogue, Buf, 2:01; Cyr, Har, 7:19; Krupp, Buf, 9:20; Burt, Har, 12:35; Ray, Buf, 18:53.

Second period-2, Hartford, Cyr 5 (Evason, Andersson), 1:19. 3, Hartford, Krygier 7 (Holik, Wilson), 6:10. 4, Buffalo, Vaive 11 (Hawerchuk), 10:18. 5, Buffalo, Vaive 12 (Hawerchuk), 19:55.

Penalties-Curran, Buf, 4:03; Curran, Buf, major (fighting), 6:26; Kastelic, Har, major (fighting), 6:26; Ray, Buf, 7:07; Jennings, Har, major (fighting), 7:07; Samuelsson, Har, 16:26.

Third period-6, Hartford, Holik 9 (Krygier, Wilson), 10:53.

Penalties-Bodger, Buf, 15:09; Young, Har, 15:09; Bodger, Buf, 18:26; Verbeek, Har, 18:26.

Overtime-7, Buffalo, Andreychuk 15 (Turgeon), 1:07.

Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Buffalo 5-11-8-2-26. Hartford 9-10-7-0-26.

Power-play conversions-Buffalo 3-1. Hartford 4-0.

Goaltenders-Buffalo, Puppa. Hartford, Reaugh. A-10,787.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

Vancouver	1	1	1	-3

Calgary 1 0 1--2

First period-1, Vancouver, Capuano 11 (Kron, Quinn), 9:01. 2, Calgary, Sweeney 4 (Gilmour, Makarov), 17:09.

Penalties- Butcher, Van, misconduct, 15:08.

Second period-3, Vancouver, Odjick 3 (Smyl, Bozek), 16:54.

Penalties-Suter, Cgy, 9:27; Calgary, bench minor (too many men), 10:26; Adams, Van, 11:34; Butcher, Van, 13:55; Simard, Cgy, 13:55.

Third period-4, Vancouver, Mazur 1 (Larionov), 13:52. 5, Calgary, Reichel 11 (MacInnis, Otto), pp, 19:26.

Penalties-Quinn, Van, 5:25; Valk, Van, minor, major (fighting), 10:07; Musil, Cgy, minor, major (fighting), 10:07; Guy, Van, 19:21.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 10-9-8-27. Calgary, 11-9-16-36.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 2-0. Calgary 3-1.

Goalies-Vancouver, McLean. Calgary, Vernon. Attendance-19,456.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

Los Angeles 1 1 1--3
Edmonton 1 1 2--4

First period-1, Los Angeles, Taylor, 9 (Blake, Benning), 2:32. 2, Edmonton, Beukeboom, 2 (unassisted), 7:43.

Penalties-Klima, Edm, 0:28; Brown, Edm, 4:42; Graves, Edm, 10:55.

Second period-3, Los Angeles, McIntyre, 2 (unassisted), 11:22. 4, Edmonton, Semenov, 5 (S. Smith, Beukeboom), 16:48.

Penalties-Kudelski, LA, 0:53; Anderson, Edm, 14:26; Beukeboom, Edm, 16:48; Edmonton bench, minor, 19:15.

Third period-5, Los Angeles, Taylor, 10 (Gretzky, Robitaille), pp, 2:32. 6, Edmonton, Simpson, 14 (Klima, Messier), pp, 8:22. 7, Edmonton, Viazimikin, 1, (Anderson, Lowe), 13:44.

Penalties-Beukeboom, Edm, 1:02; MacTavish, Edm, 6:01; Benning, LA, 6:01; Joseph, Edm, 6:43; Taylor, LA, 6:43; Halkidis, LA, 7:20; Graves, Edm, 15:43; Tonelli, LA, 15:43; S. Smith, Edm, 19:58; Blake, LA, 19:58; Tonelli, LA, 19:58; Beukeboom, Edm, 19:58.

Shots on goal by: Los Angeles 9-8-9-26, Edmonton 8-12-15-35.

Power-play conversions-Los Angeles 7-1. Edmonton 2-1.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Takko. Los Angeles, Berthiaume. Attendance: 17,503.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

New Jersey	2	3	3	8
Boston	1	0	2	3

First period-1, New Jersey, Sundstrom 8 (Shanahan, Kasatonov), pp, 12:17. 2, Boston, Janney 10 (Nilan, Galley), 12:56. 3, New Jersey, Kasatonov 5 (Shanahan), pp, 19:09. Penalties-Weinrich, NJ, 6:46; Galley, Bos, 9:07; Sweeney, Bos, 11:16; Kasatonov, NJ, 13:26; Pedersen, Bos, 16:47; Shanahan, NJ, 16:58; bench minor (Walz), Bos, 17:41.

Second period-4, New Jersey, Stewart 5 (Driver), 0:54. 5, New Jersey, Stastny 10 (Lemieux, Muller), 1:46. 6, New Jersey, Brown 5 (Conacher), 13:25. Penalties- None.

Third period-7, New Jersey, Fetisov 1 (unassisted), 1:56. 8, Boston, Neely 17 (Janney), 4:03. 9, New Jersey, MacLean 23 (Weinrich, Stastny), pp, 9:05. 10, Boston, Poulin 5 (Wesley, Weimer), 9:21. 11, Boston, Morris 3 (Conacher). Penalties-Muller, NJ, 6:01; Galley, Bos, 8:05; Walz, Bos, 15:22; Walz, Bos, major (fighting), 15:22; Morris, NJ, major (fighting), 15:22.

Shots on goal-Boston 10-9-8-27. New Jersey 8-6-10-24.

Power-play conversions-Boston 3-0. New Jersey 7-3.

Goalies-Boston, Lemelin, Moog (13:35 2nd period). New Jersey, Terreri. A-11,966.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Montreal	2	1	1	4
Quebec	1	2	3	6

First period-1, Montreal, Richer 14 (Schneider, Savard), pp, 7:52; 2, Montreal, Turgeon 1 (Richer, Savard), 10:57; 3, Quebec, Finn 4 (Nolan, McKegney), 12:55. Penalties-McKegney, Que, 1:07; Odelein, Mtl, 4:45; Vinclette, Que, 4:45; Leschyshyn, Que, 5:36; Velischek, Que, 14:21; Turgeon, Mtl, 14:42.

Second period-4, Montreal, Svoboda 1 (Schneider, Pededrson), pp, 3:19; 5, Quebec, Fogarty 8 (Sakic, Hough), 5:21; 6, Quebec, Velischek 1 (Loiselle), 16:22. Penalties- Wolanin, Que, 2:33; Skrudland, Mtl, 4:14; Lafleur, Que, 7:12; Svoboda, Mtl, 8:59; Chorske, Mtl, 12:54; Nolan, Que, 12:54; Finn, Que,

double-minor, 18:44.

Third period-7, Quebec, Hrkac 6 (unassisted), 2:58; 8, Quebec, Sakic 21 (Hough Sundin), 5:38; 9, Quebec, Sundin 10 (Wolanin, Sakic), 15:38; 10, Montreal, Chorske 6 (Pederson, Lefebvre),16:42. Penalties-Wolanin, Que, 18:40.

Shots on goal-Montreal 12-13-14-39. Quebec 9-10-9-28.

Power-play conversions-Montreal 8-3. Quebec 3-1.

Goaltenders-Montreal, Bergeron, Racicot. Quebec, Tugnutt. A-15,346.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

Toronto		1	1	0	0--2
NY Islanders	0	1	0	0	--2

First period-1, Toronto, Fenton 8 (Hannan), sh, 4:59. 2, NY Islanders, Flatley 8 (Chyzowski, Pilon), 10:19. Penalties-Gill, Tor, 3:22; Richardson, Tor 6:04; Vukota, Tor, 6:04; Healy, NYI (served by Wood), 13:16; Clark, Tor, 14:45; Reekie, NYI, 14:45; Petit, Tor, 15:02; Vukota, NYI, 18:24.

Second period-3, Toronto, Krushelnyski 5 (Gill) 4:53. Penalties-Wood, NYI, 10:21; Baumgartner, NYI, 18:17.

Third period-4, NY Islanders, LaFontaine 20 (Norton), 2:47. Penalties-None.

Overtime-No scoring. Penalties-Ramage, Tor, 0:51; King, NYI, 0:51.

Shots on goal-Toronto 11-10-7-2-30, NY Islanders 6-9-7-5-27.

Power-play conversions-Toronto 4-0, NY Islanders 2-0.

Goaltenders-Toronto, Ing. NY Islanders, Healy. A-9,877.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.
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#90353u0267 12/19/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 19) UPI - President Bush spoke to a meeting of newspaper editors Tuesday, and outlined the scenario for war in the Persian Gulf, as prospects dimmed for high-level peace talks between U-S and Iraqi officials.

Members of the European Community have decided against meeting with Iraq's foreign minister unless he meets first with President Bush in Washington. The Dutch foreign minister said ''We mustN'T give the impression that there's a difference of position between Europe and the United States.''

A military court in the Philippines Wednesday convicted 81 army officers and men of mutiny and multiple murder in connection with the August 1987 coup attempt. They were sentenced to terms ranging from 12 to 20 years at hard labor.

At the urging of consumer advocate Ralph Nader, angry callers swamped the office of Vice President Quayle Tuesday to protest his 45-thousand dollar pay raise. Nader announced Quayle's office phone number and asked people to call.

Environmental groups are urging the Bush administration to include tough energy efficiency standards and the development of renewable fuels in its National Energy Strategy. The plan is expected to be released next month.

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#90353u0280 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 19) UPI - Kentucky lost its third straight game to No. 6 Indiana and second in a row to the Hoosiers under Coach Rick Pitino. But these Wildcats did something in defeat Tuesday night no other Kentucky team has achieved in the past 20 years.

They earned the respect of Indiana Coach Bob Knight.

''I hope the people in Kentucky appreciate the fact that whether we win or lose, I can at least walk off the floor and respect the people we played against and respect the kind of operation Kentucky has,'' said Knight, a harsh critic of the scandal-plagued reigns of Pitino's predecessors, Joe B. Hall and Eddie Sutton.

Calbert Cheaney scored 23 points, including a critical three-point play with 37 seconds remaining, lifting Indiana past Kentucky 87-84 for its seventh straight victory.

Jamal Mashburn tied the game 82-82 with 53 seconds remaining on a pair of free throws before Cheaney drove to the basket, scored while being fouled by Deron Feldhaus, and made the free throw.

Jamal Meeks added two free throws with 14 seconds remaining, extending Indiana's lead to 87-82 to seal the Hoosiers' third straight triumph over their border rivals.

Kentucky was plauged with foul trouble as five Wildcats - including four starters - were disqualified. Sean Woods fouled Meeks in the final seconds, joining John Pelphrey, Gimel Martinez and Reggie Hansen on the bench for good.

''We were in very serious foul trouble and we couldn't substitute,'' Pitino said. ''But I can't be any more proud of this team. I'm as proud as any win

we've had in two years here.''

The Wildcats scored six straight points to open the second half, taking a 40-37 lead before a 19-6 Indiana run soon after pushed the Hoosiers ahead 58-47 with 11:25 remaining. Cheaney and freshman guard Damon Bailey, who finished with 16 points, each scored 7 in the streak.

Kentucky, 5-2, responded by scoring 15 of the next 17 points. Pelphrey and Mashburn each added five in the run that tied the score at 61 with 8:30 remaining.

''Kentucky dictated the way the second half could have gone with the start they got,'' Knight said. ''As well as we played all year was after Kentucky's start and then we got up by 11. One thing we wanted to do was go hard at Kentucky and get them in foul trouble, which we did.''

Eric Anderson scored 15 points for Indiana, 9-1, while Pelphrey led the Wildcats with 21. Indiana's only loss this year came against No. 3 Syracuse in the Maui Classic.

-- AROUND THE NCAA --

Elsewhere in games featuring Top 25 teams, No. 11 Louisiana State crushed Arkansas State 98-74, No. 23 Temple nipped Penn State 67-63 and co-No. 24 Michigan State topped Evansville 81-76.

At Baton Rouge, La., Shaquille O'Neal scored an arena-record 53 points - 37 in the second half - to power the Tigers. O'Neal added 19 rebounds and broke the previous LSU Assembly Center record of 50 points set by Chris Jackson in 1989. Vernell Singleton added 21 points for the Tigers, 5-1. Bobby Gross led Arkansas State with 26 points.

At Philadelphia, Mark Macon scored 18 points and Donald Hodge added 15 to lead the Owls. Freddie Barnes drilled a three-pointer with 3:42 left to bring the Nittany Lions within 55-54 but the Owls, 4-2, hit 10 of 12 free throws down the stretch to preserve the win.

At East Lansing, Mich., Steve Smith scored 35 points and grabbed 12 rebounds to propel the Spartans. Smith scored 15 points in the first seven minutes of the second half as Michigan State turned a three-point halftime deficit into a 10-point lead. The Spartans, 4-3, received 11 points from Mark Montgomery.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Atlanta - Agreed to a 2-year contract with infielder Rafael Belliard; named Chris Chamblis manager at Greenville of the Southern League (AA).

Chicago (NL) - Waived pitcher Bill Long.

Memphis (Southern League) - Named Janie Robertson director of sales and marketing.

Minnesota - Signed outfielder Randy Bush to a 2-year contract.

National League - Named Buffalo, Denver, Miami, Orlando, Tampa-St. Petersburg and Washington finalists for two expansion teams in 1993.

San Francisco - Acquired pitcher Jimmy Williams from Minnesota to complete a Dec. 5 trade.

Texas - Announced Manager Bobby Valentine agreed to a 1-year contract extension through 1992 season.

Toronto - Named Garth Iorg manager at Myrtle Beach of the South Atlantic League (A); announced 4-year affiliation contract with Myrtle Beach.

BASKETBALL

Dallas - Placed forward Herb Williams on the injured list.

New York - Placed guard Maurice Cheeks and center Stuart Gray on injured reserve; activated guard Trent Tucker and forward Kenny Walker.

Sacramento - Placed guard Bobby Hansen on the injured list; re-signed guard Rick Calloway.

COLLEGE

Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference - Named Brad Tracy supervisor of women's basketball officials.

Oregon State - Declared guard Allan Celestine academically ineligible; announced guard Tony Ross is leaving the basketball team.

San Diego State - Extended contract of football coach Al Luginbill for one year through 1993 season.

Southern Cal - Named Mike Garrett associate athletic director.

Whittier - Named Kenneth Visser football coach.

FOOTBALL

Indianapolis - Signed tight end Orson Mobley; released defensive end Ralph Jarvis.

NY Giants - Placed quarterback Phil Simms on injured reserve with a foot injury; waived wide receiver Lionel Manuel.

Philadelphia - Waived defensive end Greg Mark.

World League of American Football - Awarded a franchise to Frankfurt, Germany, called the Galaxy; named Oliver Luck general manager at Frankfurt.

HOCKEY

St. Louis - Assigned left winger Dave Thomlinson to Peoria of the International Hockey League.

SOCCER

World Cup USA 1994 - Named Steve Sampson assistant to co-chairman.

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#90353u0305 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

ABOARD OLFERT FISCHER, Hormuz Strait (DEC. 19) UPI - Six civilian Iranian sailors were plucked from the waters of the Gulf early Wednesday by a patrolling Danish frigate, after a collision between their vessel and an unidentified ship.

Those rescued were unhurt, but one crewmember was missing and rescue operations involving Olfert Fischer, a Norwegian supply ship and the USS Fife were still under way Wednesday morning.

The accident happened early Wednesday while the small, 350-ton Iranian freighter Moktar was on its way from Dubai to Iran's port of Bandar Abbas.

Rescued Iranians said a ''large vessel'' collided with their freighter during the night. Two minutes after the collision the Moktar sunk, and its crew, unable to put on life jackets, was forced to jump overboard and cling to floating parts of the wrecked vessel.

''We were on patrol and one of the Olfert Fischer crew who was sleeping at the rear of the vessel woke up suddenly, heard shouts coming from the water and raised the alarm,'' said a senior member of the Olfert Fischer crew, who for security reasons refused to be named.

''Using searchlights, we located at first four men clinging to wreckage, and

after a short further search found another two,'' he added.

All were Iranians and had been in the warm water, clinging to wreckage, for six hours.

None on board the Moktar had been able to identify the vessel which rammed them, saying only it had been ''large'' and had continued its voyage apparently unaware it had collided with a smaller ship.

The six surviving Iranians were transferred to another small Iranian vessel which was to transport them to Iran.

The Olfert Fischer is Denmark's contribution to the international naval force patrolling the Gulf to enforce the United Nations embargo on Iraq, imposed following that country's Aug. 2 invasion of the tiny Gulf emirate of Kuwait.

In the two months the vessel has been active in the Gulf it has boarded and searched 280 vessels, and found none to be attempting to break the U.N. imposed embargo.

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#90353u0316 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (DEC. 19) UPI - Senior Indian and Pakistani officials held a second day of talks Wednesday aimed at defusing a crisis in relations between the two rival nations that has threatened peace in the region.

Foreign Secretary Shehryar Khan, his Indian counterpart, Muchkund Dubey, and their aides continued discussions they began Tuesday in the third round of a series of meetings which began in July.

No details of the latest session have been released, but a joint statement was expected at the conclusion of the talks later Wednesday.

The two previous rounds failed to make any significant progress toward resolving the root causes of tensions between the two South Asian neighbors, and observers say this week's discussions are also unlikely to result in any breakthrough.

Dubey also held a separate meeting Tuesday with President Ghulam Ishaq Khan that dealt with the ''whole range of bilateral issues,'' a government statement said. It said Ishaq Khan told the visiting official that improved relations ''required a constructive response'' from India.

''The president reiterated Pakistan's principled stand on the Kashmir issue ... the on-going communal riots and the attempts to demolish the Babri mosque '' the statement said. ''He hoped that the Indian government would take the necessary steps to discharge its constitutional obligations towards the

minorities.''

Hundreds of people have died in communal riots in India sparked Hindu attempts to build a temple on the site of the Babri mosque in the city of Ayodhya. New Delhi has rejected as ''objectionable interference'' in its affairs recent statements from Islamabad on the issue.

However, Pakistani officials said the foreign secretaries' talks would focus the Kashmir dispute.

India has accused Pakistan of arming and training Islamic militants conducting an 11-month-old uprising against New Delhi's rule in Jammu and Kashmir state. Islamabad has denied the charges, but says it morally supports the movement.

The dispute led to fears of a fourth war between the two nations over the northern Kashmir region, which is claimed by both sides but is divided along a U.N.-monitored cease-fire line into Indian and Pakistani controlled sectors.

Officials said Pakistan would press India during the talks for a joint redeployment of forces along the border to peacetime locations.

Pakistan is suspected of pushing ahead with a program to develop nuclear weapons following the rise in tensions over Kashmir, allegations Islambad denies. The suspicions led Washington to freeze millions of dollars in aid to Pakistan in October.

Both nations have new governments since the last round of talks. In Pakistan, Nawaz Sharif was elected Oct. 24 to succeed ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto, and in India a shakey coalition headed by Chandra Shekar last month replaced the year-old administration of V.P. Singh.

The two new leaders met for the first time at a regional summit meeting in the Maldives capital of Male in November.

Ishaq Khan told Dubey during their talks Tuesday he hoped the Indian official's visit ''would help build upon the encouraging trend emerging from the recent meeting'' of the two prime ministers in Male, the government statement said.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I brings the latest news.

President Bush says he believes Americans support his Persian Gulf policy. But he says he believes that support would erode if the United States got into a prolonged war in the Gulf. He reiterated that he favors a ''peaceful

settlement,'' but emphasized that if war with Iraq does break out, the conflict would not become another Vietnam.

Bush outlined the scenario for a Gulf war as prospects dimmed for high-level U-S-Iraq peace talks. The talks have been stymied as the two nations argue about appropriate dates. Now Iraqi President Saddam Hussein reportedly is saying there's NO need for talks if Bush is going to repeat his demand that Iraq withdraw from Kuwait.

The House Education and Labor Committee still plans to hold hearings today on the issue of race-exclusive scholarships, despite the administration's reversal of its ban on scholarships reserved for minorities. One of the featured witnesses will be Assistant Education Secretary Michael Williams, who set off a firestorm of controversy with the ban.

In the Philippines, a military court today convicted 81 army officers and men of mutiny and multiple murder stemming from the August 1987 coup attempt. They were sentenced to terms ranging from 12 to 20 years at hard labor. The general court martial acquitted 20 officers and enlisted men of the same charges.

Chicago police arrested a man who they say stabbed a woman to death under her family's Christmas tree and stole their presents to sell for drugs. Police say the woman's eight-year-old daughter returned home from school and found her mother's body under the tree. Police say the suspect, who lived upstairs from the family, also tried to kill a two- year-old girl the woman was babysitting.

Hospital officials in Mount Vernon, Missouri, say the condition of a comatose woman whose life support feeding tube has been removed remains UNchanged. 33-year-old Nancy Cruzan, who has lingered in a vegetative state for nearly eight years, is being allowed to die after her parents won a right-to-die legal battle last week.

Police and security guards yesterday arrested a group of religious activists who went to the Missouri Rehabilitation Center in an attempt to force feed the woman. But they were arrested before they could enter her room. The activists oppose the Cruzan family's decision. Doctors say Cruzan could die within two weeks.

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#90353u0424 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 19) UPI - Iraq lashed out Wednesday at the 12-nation European Community for refusing to meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz, and Egyptian news reports said Iraq was bolstering its forces in Kuwait with troops moved from the border with Syria.

Reports of the Iraqi buildup in Kuwait surfaced shortly before Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff,

were due to arrive in Saudi Arabia to meet with U.S. troops and military strategists.

Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported Wednesday that Iraq had withdrawn large numbers of its troops deployed along its border with Syria to bolster its troops in Kuwait.

In a dispatch from the Syrian capital of Damascus, MENA quoted sources in the border region as saying, ''armored Iraqi troops, tanks and artillery units had been withdrawn to occupied Kuwait.''

Regional observers said the unconfirmed Iraqi reinforcement of its 430,000-strong force in Kuwait and southern Iraq was an apparent sign Baghdad was preparing for a U.S.-led attack after the Jan. 15 deadline set by the U.N. Security Council for Iraq's withdraw from the oil-rich emirate.

Earlier Wednesday, Iraq issued a statement condemning the European Community for its refusal to meet with Aziz before the Iraqi Foreign Minister had held talks in Washington with President Bush.

Plans for the Aziz-Bush talks and a reciprocal meeting in Baghdad between Secretary of State James Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein have been put on hold because Baghad and Washington have yet to agree on dates for the meetings.

''The European Community's action demonstrates that it is appeasing the United States and its aggressive policies,'' said Baghdad Radio, monitored in Cairo.

The state-owned radio quoted a foreign ministry spokesman as saying the EC action ignored ''European interests in the Middle East'' and warned Europeans they would regret their action.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker told the ministers earlier in the day the United States would not oppose a meeting between Aziz and the EC, as long as Iraq did not receive ''mixed messages from the countries involved.''

Some EC countries wanted the meeting to go ahead, but British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd opposed it, pointing out that this would give Saddam the opportunity to say the alliance confronting him over Kuwait was crumbling.

Baker, in Brussels for a meeting of NATO foreign ministers, also said he expected Iraq to attempt ''diplomatic sleights-of-hand'' in the coming weeks and reiterated that a partial Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait was unacceptable.

Proposed meetings between Aziz and Bush in Washington and between Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad have been stymied as the two countries argue about appropriate dates, 28 days before the U.N. deadline.

Excerpts of an interview with Saddam taped in Baghdad earlier were released Tuesday in Ankara by Turkish state television. Saddam told the interviewer, ''There is no need for us to go to Washington if Bush is to repeat to us the U.N. Security Council resolutions.'' The resolutions call for the complete withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2.

Turkish television said the full interview would be aired Wednesday night. It did not say when the interview was taped.

The EC had earlier this month agreed that Aziz would meet with EC President Gianni de Michelis, the foreign minister of Italy, after his talks with Bush in Washington. The ministers said Saturday they would not change the ground rules for the proposed EC meeting.

Baker said the United States would not object to the Aziz-de Michelis talks and supported all diplomatic efforts toward peace.

''The one thing we do discourage are discordant messages, mixed messages or mixed signals,'' he said. ''The message that's going to go to the Iraqis must be a unifrom message, which is that they must comply with the United Nations resolutions in full.''

At the Pentagon, spokeman Pete Williams said the U.S. forces in the Gulf region - which now total more than 270,000 - will be prepared to force Iraq out of Kuwait on Jan. 15.

He said the United States ''absolutely'' would be ready for offensive action on that day.

The U.S. troops now in the region are joined by about 220,000 allied forces, and the U.S. contingent is expected to grow to about 430,000 by mid January or early February.

In a related development, administration officials said Vice President Dan Quayle will visit U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia sometime after Christmas. The date of his trip was not released.

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#90353u0537 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - Housing starts in the United States rose 9.0 percent in November to an annual rate of 1.12 million units from a revised rate of 1.03 million, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

But November's pace was 16 percent below the year-earlier rate of 1. 34 million and offers yet another sign of the weakness that has hammered the nation's housing industry.

Starts in buildings with two units or more accounted for the increase, the government said.

The November rate for buildings with five units or more was 314,000, about twice the October amount. Starts of buildings with two to four units was 43,000.

But weakness continued to batter the single-family housing industry, where starts in November were at an annual rate of 772,000, or 110 percent below October's rate of 856,000.

November's single-family housing rate was the lowest since the last recession when single-family housing starts fell to an annual rate of 773,700 in October 1982.

During the first 11 months of the year, overall housing starts of 1. 13 million were down 13 percent from 1.30 million the year before.

The number of building permits, an indication of future building activity, also slipped in November to an annual rate of 907,000 from 920,000 in October and 34 percent below the year before.

Single family permits were issued at an annual rate of 673,000 in November, down 5 percent from the month before. But permits for buildings with five units or more were issued at a rate of 194,000, up 15 percent from October.

For the first 11 months of the year, 1.05 million building permits were issues down 16 percent from 1.24 million in the year-earlier period.

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#90353u0552 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 19) UPI - Specialists at Foreign Policy Research Institute of Philadelphia say evidence continues to surface that Iraqi troops have ravaged Kuwait and its people. They also said that a full-scale war in the Persian Gulf region could destroy Kuwait.

Police in Chicago arrested a man who they say killed a woman for her Christmas presents and left her body under the family Christmas treet. The dead woman's daughter found her body when she returned home from school.

New York's highest court yesterday struck down a rule set in 1987 by the state's former Superintendant of Insurance, and opened the way for health insurers to test applicants for the AIDS virus and deny coverage to those who test positive.

A Chinese physicist who returned to his homeland to seek justice for a jailed dissident was given safe passage back to the United States today. He said

family pressures forced him to cut his mission short.

Seven passengers were killed and 41 other people were injured in Utah yesterday when a Chicago-bound Greyhound bus was broadsided and overturned by a truck. The accident occurred in a blizzard near the Wyoming border.

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#90353u0560 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - The U.S. gross nation product, the output of goods and services, increased 1.4 percent, or $14.9 billion, in the third quarter, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

In its final report on third-quarter GNP, the government said the economy firmed during the third quarter from a real GNP increase of 0.4 percent - or $4.5 billion - in the second quarter.

The GNP price index rose 4.2 percent in the quarter, compared with a gain of 3.9 percent in the second quarter.

Increases were posted in real personal comsumption spending, which gained $18 billion during the quarter after rising $1.5 billion in the second quarter.

Non-residential fixed investments also rose, posting a gain of $10.9 billion during the quarter after decreasing $6.2 percent in the second quarter.

Residential fixed investments decreased $9.8 billion after slipping $5.5 billion in the second quarter.

Net exports fell $1.9 billion after tumbling a sharp $9.2 billion in the previous quarter. But exports rose $10.4 billion in the quarter after falling in the previous quarter and imports increased.

Federal government purchases of goods and services increased $100 million in the quarter after gaining $12.9 billion in the second quarter. National defense purchases increased $1.7 billion after rising $2.1 billion in the previous quarter.

Final sales for the quarter increased 1.9 percent, or $19.7 billion, during the quarter after falling 0.7 percent, or $7.2 billion, in the second quarter.

Business inventories subtracted $4.8 billion from the third-quarter change in real GNP, the government said, after adding $11.7 billion to the second-quarter figures.

Businesses increased inventories $4.7 billion during the quarter after bolstering inventories $9.5 billion in the second quarter.

The government also reported that profits from current production decreased $5.9 billion during the quarter to an annual rate of $300.7 billion. Profits increased in the second quarter by $9.8 billion.

Profits for non-financial corporations decreased $17 billion after rising $11.3 billion in the second quarter.

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#90353u0575 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 19) UPI - The U.S. Federal Reserve's decision to lower its official discount rate by 0.5 percentage points boosted stock prices Wednesday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

The benchmark Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which gained 336.11 points Tuesday, jumped another 452.76 points to 24,876.78.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major issues climbed 30.93 points to 1,821.41 points, following a 11.59-point gain Tuesday.

Trading volume increased sharply as an estimated 620 million shares changed hands, up from 382.16 million Tuesday.

Advances topped declines 686 to 278, while 171 issues remained unchanged.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices closed higher on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in extremely thin trading reflecting a lack of fresh news from the Persian Gulf.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index rose 16.79 points to 3,083.44. The gain followed a 14.73 point rise Tuesday.

Among the narrower indexes, financials eased 1.08 points, utilities slipped 0.11, properties gained 54.33 and industrials climbed 23.53 points.

Turnover was the slowest in almost two months as an estimated 489 million shares changed hands, well below the 681 million Tuesday.

In Singapore, stocks closed mixed on the Singapore Stock Exchange after profit taking overcame early gains.

The Straits Times Industrial Index, which added 2.82 points Tuesday, slipped0.76 point to 1,173.64. The broader-based All Singapore Index fell 0.14 point to 323.65.

An estimated 46.71 million shares changed hands, compared with 31.7 million Tuesday.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stock prices closed slightly higher in light trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange despite doubts about the events in the Middle East.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which eased 2.94 points Tuesday, rose 4.54 points to 623.58.

Volume amounted to about 73 million shares, compared with 59 million Tuesday.

In Australia, stock prices closed mixed in light trading on the Sydney Sharemarket.

The All Ordinaries Index, which fell 12.1 points Tuesday, added 0.4 point to 1,284.1. The All Industrial index rose 2.5 points to 1,964.9 and the All Resources Index slipped 0.9 points to 760.6.

Turnover, boosted by several block trades of NAB Bank ahead of its 29-cent dividend payout, amounted to 90.1 million.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Dec. 18: Purchases of 483,303 shares and sales of 688,790 shares including 7,882 shares sold short.

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#90353u0583 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 19) UPI - Russian Federation leader Boris Yeltsin, declaring ''the era of commands from the Kremlin is past,'' told the Soviet legislature Wednesday that Mikhail Gorbachev's central government should step aside and let the 15 Soviet republics run their own affairs.

Yeltsin joined Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov on the third day of a key session of the Congress of People's Deputies in opposing Gorbachev's plan to reorganize the government and grant the office of president broad new powers.

''As the chairman of the Russian Parliament, I declare that Russia will not agree to the restoration of a dictatorship that also does not possess a real political program for the revival of the country,'' Yeltsin said in a brief speech.

Gorbachev is seeking approval for a reorganization plan that would create new law enforcement structures and place all government ministries directly under his control, eliminating Ryzhkov's job for all practical purposes.

''No Soviet leader, neither Stalin nor Brezhnev, had such unlimited powers,'' Yeltsin said.

Yeltsin said restructuring should be left to the Soviet Union's 15 republics. The three Baltic republics of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania declared independence earlier this year, and all but one of the other Soviet states have passed milder sovereignty proclamations.

''The era of commands from the Kremlin is past,'' Yeltsin said. ''The republics are no longer afraid. The main thing is that they (the central government) should not meddle, that they should not be jealous, that they should not block, but that they should help the initiatives of the republics.

''We cannot be pulled back. The so-called revolution from above for the restructuring of our society is over. The Kremlin has ceased being the initiator of the renewal of our country.''

Ryzhkov called for a delay in Gorbachev's reorganization plan, saying political stability and a new ''union treaty'' outlining the relationship between the republics and the central government were needed first.

''The government needs order now and a sort of breathing space,'' Ryzhkov said. ''The restructuring of the state organs cannot be done out of context. ... Otherwise it will simply be a new facade and nothing will change.''

Ryzhkov said the Soviet Union was in a ''catestrophic condition'' because of ''government and political instability.''

''The old system was destroyed and it was not replaced with anything, '' he said. ''Under the banner of a market (economy) a political war is going on.''

The speeches by Ryzkov and Yeltsin came on the third day of a congress session promoted by Gorbachev as a unity meeting. Gorbachev opened the session Monday by calling for greater presidential powers and approval of a voter referendum on a new Soviet federation and private land ownership.

Gorbachev's plan to hold a national plebiscite on the fate of the union is a risky bid to appeal directly to the people, over the heads of rebellious governments in the republics and his own fractious legislature.

''Let them kill me, let them hang me on a cross, but I will not abandon my position,'' he said Tuesday. ''It is impermissible to pit peoples against each other. We must strive for unity.''

Yeltsin, his chief rival for power, signed an agreement Tuesday on economic cooperation with Byelorussian President Nikolai Dementei. It was the latest in a series of such pacts between the dominant Russian republic and sister Soviet states.

Interfax reported that Russia and Estonia also were close to signing a treaty, and the new nationalist leader of Georgia, Zviad Gamsakhurdia, told the news service that Yeltsin would travel to his Transcaucasian republic in several weeks.

Also Tuesday, some deputies from the tiny southwestern republic of Moldavia walked out of the Congress, raising to six the number of the republics observing a full or partial boycott of the session.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - A federal appeals court has stayed the execution of Danny Ray Harris, who was slated to die by injection early today in Texas. Harris was convicted of beating to death a man who had stopped to help with a disabled car in 1978. Harris and his brother, Curtis, both are on death row for the murder of Timothy Michael Merka, who was beaten to death with a tire tool after he stopped along a rural road to help the brothers and two others with a disabled stolen vehicle they were driving.

Michael Williams, assistant education secretary for civil rights, said yesterday he met with White House officials and is reversing his ban on scholarships reserved for minorities. Williams set off a controversy earlier this month by announcing that race-exclusive scholarships are illegal. White House officials said they were not notified in advance of the ruling.

Senior Indian and Pakistani officials held a second day of talks today aimed at easing a crisis in relations between the two rival nations that has threatened peace in the region. The two previous rounds failed to make any significant progress toward resolving the causes of tensions between the two South Asian neighbors. Observers say this week's discussions are also unlikely to result in any breakthrough.

Members of Burma's elected legislature formed a government in a rebel camp and immediately demanded the dissolution of the ruling military junta. The cousin of the arrested opposition leader says the military's refusal to allow the elected legislature to convene made it necessary to form the government at an ethnic insurgent camp in a remote area near the Thai-Burmese border.

The U-C-L-A Business Forecasting Project says the U-S economy has already entered a mild recession that will continue until late next year. David Hensley, acting director of the project, also said the depth and length of the recession will be most affected by actions by the banking industry and the Federal Reserve Board. He said under the most negative scenario, banks and the Fed could create a nationwide credit shortage.

Auto and oil industry researchers say tests show that gasoline containing

alcohol fuel additives can significantly reduce carbon monoxide and smog-forming emissions in car exhaust. The researchers announced the first preliminary data from a clean fuels study jointly sponsored by the two industries. It's estimated that motor vehicles contribute 25 percent of the emissions that cause smog.

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FOXBORO, Mass. (DEC. 19) UPI - Sam Jankovich, athletic director at the University of Miami, has apparently accepted the top post with the New England Patriots, although details of the arrangement must still be hammered out.

Team owner Victor Kiam hopes new leadership will give the team a much-needed boost. The Patriots have managed to secure only one win in a season that has also been plagued by off-field troubles, including an incident in which a female sportswriter was sexually harassed in the team's locker room.

Both Kiam and Jankovich cautioned that the deal was not finalized.

''The deal isn't done yet,'' Jankovich said Tuesday night following a meeting with Kiam in New York. ''We're still in meetings and we'll talk again tomorrow.''

Although Kiam said ''nothing has been concluded,'' he later conceded Jankovich would be the team's ''chief executive officer and owner's representative.''

''Sam will be the owner's representative and while he won't have complete control, he would be the top man in the organization, overseeing everything that happens there,'' Kiam said.

"The responsibility for putting a winning team together will be his."

Details of the incipient deal were not disclosed, but Jankovich reportedly agreed to a five-year pact that will bring him a base salary of $350,000 with significant incentives that could nearly double the deal's value.

What role - if any - will be left for current Patriots General Manager Patrick Sullivan was not disclosed.

Jankovich made it clear the team would not be ruled by committee. ''There can only be one captain,'' he said. ''The only way to succeed is to have one voice.''

Jankovich, Kiam and Sullivan were to meet again Wednesday to finalize details.

Jankovich will also have to decide the future of head coach Rod Rust, whose standing appears shaky. Rust has two years remaining on a three- year contract.

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RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA (DEC. 19) UPI - Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, arrived Wednesday on a five-day trip to consult with Saudi leaders and bring pre-Christmas greetings to U.S. troops.

Cheney and Powell touched down at a Saudi air base outside the capital where they were met by Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, the top U.S. commander in the Persian Gulf, Prince Khalid bin Sultan, his Saudi counterpart, and a crowd of several hundred military officers, diplomats and officials.

Cheney said nothing to reporters upon his arrival. He, Powell and U. S. Ambassador Chas Freeman were invited inside a reception room at the air base where the prince served tea.

The defense secretary has a schedule jammed full of meetings with Saudi leaders, as well as with the commanders of other forces in the gulf allied against Iraq for its Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Chances for a peaceful solution to the gulf crisis before Jan. 15, the date set by the United Nations when the allies will be authorized to use force against Baghdad, appeared to dim this week as Saddam rejected one date after another to meet with Secretary of State James Baker.

During their visit, Cheney and Powell will criss-cross the desert to meet with some of the 270,000 U.S. troops sent to defend the Saudi kingdom against Iraq.

Many of the soldiers have been in the country since August and have endured withering desert heat, as well as the Islamic nation's prohibitions against liquor and lewdness, which includes women wearing short sleeves.

Cheney is expected to sypathize with the servicemen and women who are not home with their families for Christmas, but will try to impress upon the troops the importance of their mission. Both Cheney and Powell will be back in the United States for the holiday Tuesday.

Also due to visit Saudi Arabia before Christmas are Britain's Prince Charles and comedian Bob Hope.

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NAGOYA, Japan (DEC. 19) UPI - Toyota Motor Corp. said Wednesday it has started basic research at a newly completed biotechnology laboratory at its Nagoya headquarters.

The company said research at the facility will include protein engineering work on enzymes and natural materials, as well as studies conducted on plant functions and possible engineering applications for them in the future.

The research is expected to contribute to specific measures aimed at reducing growing environmental problems, such as increasing levels of carbon dioxide emission in the atmosphere, the company said.

Toyota said it plans to gradually increase the number of researchers at the facility from about a dozen at present.

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TOKYO (DEC. 19) UPI - Kirin Brewery Co. said Wednesday it has agreed with Florida's Tropicana Products Inc. to launch a 50-50 joint venture to market citrus beverages.

The Japanese brewer said the new firm, Kirin Tropicana, will be incorporated in Tokyo Jan. 7 by Tropicana, a major U.S. fruit juice processor, and a separate subsidiary, Kirin Beverage, to be established Jan. 1.

The new company, in which Kirin and Tropicana will own equal stakes, will market a variety of citrus juice drinks in the Tokyo metropolitan area starting in March, according to Kirin.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER;

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City	Time	F	C
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Ankara c	3pm	44	07
Athens cy	2pm	57	13
Auckland c	12m	66	18
Beijing sm	8pm	29	-01
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin cy	1pm	32	00
Bonn s	1pm	30	00
Brussels s	1pm	30	00
Cairo c	2pm	71	21
Casablanca pc	12n	59	15
Copenhagen cy	1pm	34	01
Dakar c	12n	74	23

Dublin c	1pm	38	03
Geneva s	1pm	34	01
Helsinki dr	2pm	30	00
Hong Kong cy	8pm	67	19
Jerusalem pc	2pm	61	16
Karachi c	5pm	77	25
Lisbon r	1pm	48	08
London hz	1pm	38	03
Madrid pc	1pm	44	06
Malta pc	1pm	54	12
Manila c	8pm	81	27
Moscow c	3pm	22	-05
Nairobi	3pm	-	-
Nassau c	7am	68	20
New Delhi	6pm	-	-
Nice c	1pm	50	10
Oslo r	1pm	35	02
Paris s	1pm	33	00
Pretoria pc	2pm	84	29
Riyadh	3pm	72	22
Rome c	1pm	49	09
Seoul c	9pm	31	00
Sofia dr	2pm	39	03
Stockholm cy	1pm	33	01
Sydney cy	10pm	72	22
Taipei cy	8pm	67	19
Tokyo c	9pm	45	07
Tunis c	1pm	60	16
Vienna cy	1pm	34	01
Warsaw cy	1pm	31	00

. Latin America

Buenos Aires cy	9am	59	15
Caracas pc	8am	64	17
Havana c	7am	68	20
Lima c	7am	64	17
Mexico City hz	6am	47	08
Rio de Janeiro pc	9am	91	33
Santiago c	8am	60	16

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Ottawa		--	-
Regina		--	-
Toronto pc		42	05
Vancouver pc		40	04
Winnipeg		--	-

c-clear
cy-cloudy

d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - The nation's home-heating oil inventories declined slightly last week and gasoline supplies rose in keeping with normal seasonal trends for this time of year, the American Petroleum Institute reported Tuesday.

In the week ended Dec. 14, U.S. crude oil inventories fell and the nation's refineries stepped up operations, the oil industry trade group said.

Supplies of distillate, used primarily for home-heating oil and diesel fuel, moved down to 132.6 million barrels last week from 133.4 million barrels the week before and remained substantially above the 116.2 million barrels in storage in the same week last year.

Distillate production held steady at 2.9 million barrels a day, unchanged from the previous week but below the year-ago rate of 2.9 million barrels a day.

Distillate imports dropped to 162,000 barrels a day from 181,000 barrels a day in the prior week and 454,000 barrels a day in the corresponding 1989 week.

Gasoline stocks inched up to 224.6 million barrels from 221.7 million barrels the week before and almost matched the 226.5 million barrels on hand a year ago.

Gasoline production slipped to 6.8 million barrels a day from 7.2 million barrels daily a week earlier and a year earlier.

Gasoline imports picked up to 474,000 barrels a day from 312,000 barrels a day in the preceding week and 361,000 barrels a day in the same week last year.

Crude inventories moved down to 331.5 million barrels from 332.1 million barrels in the prior week and nearly matched the 347.8 million barrels in storage at this time last year.

U.S. refineries operated at 83.8 percent of capapcity, up from 83 percent a week ago but substantially below the 89.2 percent rate recorded in the corresponding 1989 week.

Crude oil imports moved up to 5.1 million barrels a day from 4.7 million barrels a day in the previous week but trailed the year-ago rate of 6.4 million barrels a day.

Imports of petroleum products rose to 2.1 million barrels a day from 1.7 million barrels a day the week before but fell short of the 2.3 million barrels a day reaching U.S. shores a year ago.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Overall U.S. oil demand dropped 2.6 percent in November from year-ago levels in face of higher fuel prices and the slowing economy, the American Petroleum Institute said Wednesday.

The United States is the world's largest oil-consuming nation and the No. 2 oil producer after the Soviet Union.

Demand for most major petroleum products, such as gasoline and home- heating oil, declined in November, the oil industry trade group said in its monthly report, but deliveries of kerosine jet fuel reached record levels for this time of year.

Domestic crude production slipped 6 percent to 7.08 million barrels a day in November from 7.53 million barrels a day in November 1989, partially reflecting a slowdown in output from Alaska's North Slope caused by stormy weather at the Port of Valdez.

Imports of crude and petroleum products continued to decline in November because of weak demand and adequate domestic supplies.

U.S. demand for all petroleum products fell to 16.86 million barrels a day in November from 17.31 million barrels a day a year earlier.

The API attributed the decline to ''the higher prices of recent months and a weakening economy.''

Demand for gasoline slipped 3.2 percent to 7.12 million barrels a day last month from 7.35 million barrels a day in November 1989, extending the drops that have occurred in recent months, the API said.

The trade group pointed out that pump prices declined slightly at the end of November after rising about 30 cents a gallon between August and October in the aftermath of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

''The impact of higher prices, however, continued to be evident,'' said the API, which also cited substantial switching by motorists away from premium unleaded to cheaper grades of gasoline.

Demand for distillates, used primarily for home-heating oil and diesel fuel, decreased 3.5 percent in November to 3.19 million barrels a day from 3.31 million barrels a day the year before.

Even though November was 17 percent warmer than a year ago, the API said distillate deliveries - adjusted for the weather - should have been down only about 1.5 percent.

Deliveries of kerosine jet fuel shot up 4.5 percent in November to 1. 39 million barrels a day - the highest level for any November - from 1. 33 million barrels a day the year before.

''Spot jet fuel prices had risen sharply in the United States in September and early October,'' the API said. ''However, by the end of November, increased jet fuel production and softer military demand brought jet fuel prices more in line with those of heating oil.''

Crude oil imports plummeted 17.6 percent to 5.05 million barrels a day in November from 6.13 million barrels a day in the same month last year, while imports of petroleum products skidded 14.7 percent to 1.85 million barrels a day from 2.17 million barrels a day during the same period.

On the supply front, the United States had 1.059 billion barrels of oil inventories as of Nov. 30, down 2.2 percent from the 1.086 billion barrels in storage on the same date last year.

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TOKYO (DEC. 19) UPI - Oil refiner Idemitsu Kosan Co.'s request to export fuel oil with more than 1.0 percent sulfur content to Taiwan and South Korea has received government approval, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry said Wednesday.

Japan has suspended exports of heavy fuel oil since the nation's 1980 oil crisis.

Idemitsu said it will sell 40,000 tons of the ''C'' heavy oil to Taiwan and an additional 35,000 tons to South Korea.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $377.20, silver base of $3.99 and platinum price of $416.90:

	Wednesday	Tuesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$392.80	392.80
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	201.50	201.60
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	103.50	103.50
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	42.80	42.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	392.80	392.80
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	201.50	201.60
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	104.00	104.00
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	42.80	42.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	399.10	399.20
China Panda .50 troy oz.	205.60	205.70
China Panda .25 troy oz.	106.60	106.70
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.10	46.10
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	27.50	27.50
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	392.90	393.00
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	200.80	200.80
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	101.50	101.50
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.70	43.70
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	391.40	391.00
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	202.60	202.70
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	104.00	104.00
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.30	44.30
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	391.20	391.30
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	201.20	201.20
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	86.40	86.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	N.A.	N.A.
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	23.80	23.80
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.40	$5.36
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,080	$3,030
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,325	$1,325
Platinum		
Australian Koala	434.00	428.00
Isle of Man Noble	431.00	425.00
Canada Maple Leaf	442.00	436.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - Housing starts in the United States rose 9 percent in November to an annual rate of 1.12 million units, but economists said Wednesday the beleaguered housing industry has not recovered from its slump.

The Commerce Department reported November's housing starts topped last month's revised rate of 1.03 million. ''It's nice to see the rebound and nice to see a positive number, but I don't think this is the beginning of a recovery. We'll have to wait a little longer for that,'' said Thomas Holloway, senior economist for the Mortgage Bankers Association.

November's pace was 16 percent below the year-earlier rate of 1.34 million units, the government said.

During the first 11 months of the year, overall housing starts of 1. 13 million were down 13 percent from 1.30 million the year before.

The number of building permits, an indication of future building activity, also slipped in November to an annual rate of 907,000 from 920,000 in October and 34 percent below the year before.

So far this year, 1.05 million building permits have been issued, down 16 percent from 1.24 million in the year-earlier period.

Holloway said he expects that either November's housing numbers will be revised this month, or the levels of December starts will drop. Still, he expects the housing market to recover by late spring.

This forecast coincides with his prediction that the recession will ease by the end of the first quarter.

John Tuccillo, chief economist for the National Association of Realtors, discounted November's gain because of what he termed ''artifically depressed'' housing levels in October.

Increased multifamily housing, bolstered by declining interest rates and unusually mild weather in the South, accounted for most of the gain.

But serious signs of weakness continued in the single-family housing market, where starts were down 10 percent last month to 772,000 from 856,000 in October.

November's rate of single-family housing starts was the lowest since the last recession when starts fell to an annual rate of 773,700 in October 1982.

Building permits for single-family housing, a sign of future construction activity, were issued at an annual rate of 673,000 in November, down 5 percent from the month before.

''The declines in single-family starts and permits suggest we haven't hit bottom yet, and there may be further deterioration in the coming months,'' Tuccillo said.

''We expect, however, that overall housing construction has gone as far down as it will go during this cycle.''

The November starts rate for buildings with five units or more was 314,000, about twice the October amount. Starts of buildings with two to four units was 43,000.

Permits for buildings with five units or more were issued at a rate of 194,000 last month, up 15 percent from October.

Overall housing starts are expected to reach 1.2 million units this year, down 12.9 percent from last year, Tuccillo said.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and his top military chief began a visit to Saudi Arabia Wednesday as Iraq urged its citizens to stock up on home heating oil to ease potential shortages in the event war erupts in the Persian Gulf this winter.

In another indication Baghdad was preparing for war, Iraqi armored columns, tanks and artillery units were being withdrawn from the Syrian border and sent into Kuwait, Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported Wednesday from the Syrian capital of Damascus.

Some 430,000 Iraqi troops already are stationed in southern Iraq and Kuwait, which was overrun by Iraq on Aug. 2.

Cheney and Colin Powell, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, arrived Wednesday at a Saudi air base outside the Saudi capital of Riyadh to begin a five-day visit with U.S. troops and Saudi leaders.

The two were welcomed by the commander of U.S. forces in the gulf, Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, as well as his Saudi counterpart, Prince Khalid bin Sultan, and several hundred other military officers, diplomats and officials.

Cheney was to meet with Saudi leaders as well as with the military commanders from other countries taking part in the U.S.-led multinational force assembled in the Persian Gulf against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The U.N. Security Council has authorized the use of military force after Jan. 15 to dislodge Iraqi occupation forces from Kuwait unless Iraq withdraws completely from the oil-rich emirate.

Chances for a peaceful resolution to the crisis continued to diminish as Washington and Baghdad remained deadlocked over the dates for a pair of high-level talks President Bush has proposed take place before the U. N. deadline.

State-owned Baghdad Radio issued a public appeal Wednesday from the Iraqi Oil Ministry for citizens to stock up on home heating fuel, anticipating that Iraqi refineries and other installations would be likely targets of any U.S.-led attack.

The announcement came about two months after Former Oil Minister Issam Abdulrahim Chalabi ordered the rationing of gasoline in October, citing a shortage of chemicals needed to refine crude oil. Saddam later fired Chalabi, saying the rationing order was unncessary.

In other war preparations Wednesday, Iraqi television screened programs on how to cope with bombing, fires and attacks from chemical and nuclear weapons. The Baghdad government previously has said it would begin civil defense exercises Jan. 15.

Earlier in the day, Iraq issued a statement condemning the 12-nation European Community for its refusal Tuesday to meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Aziz before Aziz had held talks in Washington with Bush.

Plans for the Aziz-Bush talks and a reciprocal meeting in Baghdad between Secretary of State James Baker and Saddam have been put on hold because Baghad and Washington have yet to agree on dates for the meetings.

''The European Community's action demonstrates that it is appeasing the United States and its aggressive policies,'' said Baghdad Radio, monitored in Cairo.

The state-owned radio quoted a Foreign Ministry spokesman as saying the EC action ignored ''European interests in the Middle East'' and warned Europeans they would regret their action.

Baker told NATO foreign ministers in Brussels Tuesday the United States would not oppose a meeting between Aziz and the EC, as long as Iraq did not receive ''mixed messages from the countries involved.''

Baker also said he expected Iraq to attempt ''diplomatic sleights-of- hand'' in the coming weeks and reiterated that a partial Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait was unacceptable.

Excerpts of an interview with Saddam taped in Baghdad earlier were released Tuesday in Ankara by Turkish state television. Saddam told the interviewer, ''There is no need for us to go to Washington if Bush is to repeat to us the U.N. Security Council resolutions.'' The resolutions call for the complete withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait, which it invaded Aug. 2.

Turkish television said the full interview would be aired Wednesday night. It did not say when the interview was taped.

The EC had earlier this month agreed that Aziz would meet with EC President Gianni de Michelis, the foreign minister of Italy, after his talks with Bush in Washington. The ministers said Saturday they would not change the ground rules for the proposed EC meeting.

Baker said the United States would not object to the Aziz-de Michelis talks and supported all diplomatic efforts toward peace.

''The one thing we do discourage are discordant messages, mixed messages or mixed signals,'' he said. ''The message that's going to go to the Iraqis must be a unifrom message, which is that they must comply with the United Nations resolutions in full.''

At the Pentagon, spokeman Pete Williams said the U.S. forces in the Gulf region - which now total more than 270,000 - will be prepared to force Iraq out of Kuwait on Jan. 15.

He said the United States ''absolutely'' would be ready for offensive action on that day.

The U.S. troops now in the region are joined by about 220,000 allied forces, and the U.S. contingent is expected to grow to about 430,000 by mid January or early February.

In a related development, administration officials said Vice President Dan Quayle will visit U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia sometime after Christmas. The date of his trip was not released.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - Vice President Dan Quayle said Wednesday he will spend New Year's Day with U.S. troops stationed in Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield.

Quayle announced the trip at the beginning of a meeting with Prince Bandar, Saudi Arabia's ambassador to the United States.

Bandar said Saudi King Fahd also wants to meet personally with Quayle ''to

express his appreciation'' to America for coming to his country's defense against Iraq's Saddam Hussein. ''We're very grateful,'' Bandar said.

Quayle is scheduled to fly to the Persian Gulf area Dec. 29 and go directly to Riyadh to meet with officials in the oil-rich kingdom before visiting U.S. military personnel.

Asked if he would visit the Indiana National Guard unit, which he joined during the Vietnam War, Quayle smiled and said: ''Stay tuned.''

Dave Beckwith, Quayle's press secretary, said the vice president's visit is designed to help morale.

President Bush spent Thanksgiving Day with the troops in the gulf and Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, are currently there.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - A nationwide survey of American adults shows nearly 90 percent play Santa more than Scrooge by donating time, money or both to charities serving causes ranging from homelessness to the environment, it was reported Wednesday.

The survey by USA Weekend found the central states from Minnesota and North Dakota south to Texas are the most charitable, with states in the West the least charitable.

The poll also showed that women are more generous than men and people ages 35 to 54 are more likely to make donations than those younger or older.

The nationwide telephone survey of 801 adults was conducted by the Gordon S. Black Corp. and has a margin of error of plus or minus 3.5 percent.

The survey found that 62 percent of Westerners felt obliged to help those less fortunate than themselves, compared with 77 percent of Midwesterners, 75 percent of Southerners, 71 percent of Northeasterners and 68 percent of people in the Great Lakes region.

Thirty-five percent of people in the Great Lakes region said they feel ''bad'' about not giving more time to charity, while 68 percent of those in the West and South reported having turned down a charity because they didn't trust it.

Broken down by age, 39 percent of people 35-54 said they felt obligated to give time or money to charity, compared with 31 percent of those younger or older.

And the poll also found that the holiday spirit does indeed bring out the best in people: 70 percent of women do something special for charity at the holidays, while 54 percent of men do.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - Egypt's Middle East News Agency says that Iraq has withdrawn large numbers of its troops deployed along the Syrian border to beef up its troops in Kuwait. The troop movement is seen as an apparent sign that Iraq is preparing for a U-S-led attack. In a report from Damascus, the agency quoted sources in the border region as saying ''armored Iraqi troops, tanks and artillery units had been withdrawn to occupied Kuwait. ''

Reports of the Iraqi buildup in Kuwait came shortly before Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, were due to arrive in Saudi Arabia to meet with U-S troops and military strategists.

Russian leader Boris Yeltsin told delegates to the Congress of People's Deputies today that Mikhail Gorbachev's central government should step aside and let the 15 republics run their own affairs. Yeltsin said ''the era of commands from the Kremlin is over.'' Yeltsin joined Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov in voicing opposition to a Gorbachev plan to re-organize the government and grant the president wide additional powers.

The troops in the Persian Gulf will be getting a couple more high level visitors. Administration officials say Vice President Quayle will visit U-S troops in Saudi Arabia sometime after Christmas. The date of his trip was not released. The British Defense Ministry says Prince Charles will visit British troops in Saudi Arabia this weekend in a trip arranged at his request.

A U-S District Court jury in Brooklyn is deliberating the fate of a reputed drug gang leader and eight others who officials say have long dominated Brooklyn's heroin market. The jury began deliberating yesterday in the trial of Ricardo Melendez, the gang's alleged mastermind, and his cohorts. They are accused of five drug-related murders along with kidnappings, shootings, stabbings and beatings.

Authorities in Seoul, South Korea, say they seized a total of 21-hundred-71 items using fake foreign brands in a recent crackdown on UNlicensed use of foreign labels. They say the most frequently pirated foreign brands included Louis Vuitton and Chanel of France, found on bags and other items, and Reebok and L-A Gear of the United States used on footwear.

The American Automobile Association says the average price of gasoline has dropped by one-point-four cents since Thanksgiving. Triple- A say the national average price of self-serve regular UNleaded gasoline was one-dollar-37 a gallon. The report says holiday travelers should find plentiful supplies of

gasoline because 84 percent of stations plan to maintain normal operating hours Christmas Day. 33 percent will stay open 24 hours.

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BEIJING (DEC. 19) UPI - Washington's top human rights watchdog formally asked China Wednesday to justify political charges against 150 jailed dissidents and to free those accused not of violence but of merely speaking their minds.

Assistant Secretary of State Richard Schifter said his Chinese hosts did not explicitly agree to account for the 150 political prisoners on a ''case-by-case basis'' as asked, but said he was hopeful because ''they didn't rule it out.''

Schifter told reporters he voiced greatest concern for intellectuals, students and workers charged with ''counterrevolution'' for leading the Tiananmen Spring democracy movement that was crushed by Chinese tanks and troops on June 3-4, 1989.

Schifter said he had been assured that no Tiananmen dissidents had been tried yet and that most would be given leniency, and aides said the Ministry of Justice had given vague assurances that the trials would be open to some Chinese.

Schifter said he distributed a list of 150 prisoners believed charged with political offenses and asked the Chinese to ''engage in a discussion of the names.''

''Our expressions of concern were combined with the suggestion that persons who have not been guilty of any act of violence, where the evidence cannot be produced - these persons who are now under arrest should be released,'' Schifter said.

''The ball is now in their court,'' he said.

High on the 150-name list are veteran democracy advocates Wang Juntao, 32, and Chen Ziming, 38, the only dissidents known to have been charged with sedition, which is punishable by death.

Besides Tiananmen Spring dissidents, the list names Wei Jingsheng, a leader of the 1978-79 Democracy Wall movement, Tibetans jailed for advocating independence, Catholic priests and other political and religious activists.

U.S. Ambassador James Lilley said China's very acceptance of an official visit by a U.S. human rights envoy betrayed a ''sea change'' in the leadership's hard-line position.

''The fact that we are engaged in a dialogue over human rights to me is a major step forward in the process,'' Lilley said, recalling how U. S. and Chinese officials had been ''snarling at each other across a table'' one year ago.

Lilley nevertheless said China must demonstrate its stance by freeing political prisoners. ''The proof is in the pudding,'' he said.

Both officials maintained steadfastly that the Persian Gulf crisis has not distracted U.S. citizens and their government from concern over human rights in China and elsewhere, and that political and economic sanctions imposed after the Beijing massacre are not being lifted.

Schifter, assistant secretary of state for human rights and humanitarian affairs, said he raised U.S. concerns with officials from the ministries of foreign affairs, public security and justice as well as jurists and officials responsible for religion, family planning, minorities and education.

Schifter said he spent much of his 16 hours of meetings Tuesday and Wednesday arguing that human rights is not just an internal matter as Beijing maintains, but an international and bilateral issue that deeply affects U.S.-China relations.

Schifter said the Chinese seemed sensitive to anger over China's human rights in the U.S. Congress, where efforts to strip China of its lucrative most-favored-nation trading status are gaining steam.

''It is not up to me to offer threats, but I did engage in discussions of the realities in the Congress of the United States,'' he said, citing the MFN issue specifically.

Schifter took a shot at the hard-line official view that the massive student-led protests of 1989 were a ''counterrevolutionary rebellion'' that had to be crushed.

''I explained the view that a government that is in control of the army and security forces could not really be threatened by unarmed students,'' Schifter said.

He gave China the dubious credit of having a better human rights record than the isolated and extremist communist government of North Korea, but said many countries had done better.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Wednesday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 69.25-70.75 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 116.625-118.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 34.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 39.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $185.00-$195.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $412.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $415.50-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $104.00-$108.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 272.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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OSHKOSH, Wis. (DEC. 19) UPI - A judge Wednesday dismissed the case against a man accused of sexually assaulting a woman by taking advantage of her multiple personalities, sparing the woman from the ordeal of another trial.

Prosecutors had asked that the charges against Mark Peterson, 29, be dropped after they consulted with the woman's doctors and were told that another trial could worsen her mental condition.

Peterson was convicted of second-degree sexual assault Nov. 8 but Judge Robert Hawley on Monday struck down that conviction, saying a defense psychiatrist improperly had been prevented from examining the woman.

The 27-year-old woman, known as Sarah, contended Peterson took advantage of one of her vulnerable personalities when they had sex last June in an Oshkosh park.

Hawley dismissed the case at the request of the Winnebago County District Attorney's Office.

''Our office filed a motion and supporting letter dismissing the charge,'' said Deputy District Attorney Vince Biskupic.

He said after the conviction was overturned, his office contacted the woman's physicians to determine whether to proceed with another trial.

''All of the doctors stated that it would not be in the best interest of the victim to go through with another trial,'' Biskupic said. ''All of them said her mental condition likely would worsen.''

He daid the woman's number of exhibited personalities increased from 18 to 46 during the course of the first trial.

''She did develop a number of additional personalities during the trial, and had to be in-patient hospitalized prior to the first trial,'' Biskupic said.

He also said the woman's court-appointed guardian, attorney George Curtis, also agreed the woman should not be subjected to the rigors of another trial.

Biskupic said the jury's verdict in the case, although overturned on a technicality, ''sent a strong message'' about protecting the rights of the mentally ill.

Peterson had been convicted under a Wisconsin law that makes it a felony to have sex with someone who is mentally ill and cannot understand the consequences of the behavior.

Hawley ruled Monday that Peterson did not have a fair trial because Darold A. Treffert, a defense psychiatrist, was not permitted to interview and evaluate Sarah.

Hawley acknowledged in his order that he erred in refusing to allow the interview but he also said defense attorney Edward Salzsieder should have pursued that effort.

Peterson admitted having sex with the woman but said she agreed to the

liaison. The prosecution contended he seduced a vulnerable personality known as Jennifer.

The woman's psychiatrist during the trial testified Sarah had 46 distinct personalities. The woman assumed the identities of several of them in her testimony - including that of Jennifer, who testified she did not know what sex was.

However, Sheila Carmichael, former coordinator of the Winnebago County victim-witness program who counseled the woman, wrote a letter Nov. 21 to the trial judge in which she said Gerald Reeves, a key witness against Peterson, had had a sexual relationship with the woman for about a year.

Reeves, who with his wife and two children lived in the same building as the woman, denied the accusation and testified he warned Peterson beforehand that the woman had a mental problem and was vulnerable.

Carmichael was fired Nov. 21 over allegations she had signed a contract involving movie and publication rights about the case.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Siemens AG, the German electronics and telecommunications giant, said Wednesday it will make several management changes at its North American companies.

Horst Langer, 54, chairman and chief executive officer of U.S. subsidiary Siemens Corp., will become a member of the board of directors of the Siemens companies in Canada and Mexico. Langer will also represent the three North American countries on Siemens AG's central managing board while remaining chairman of the U.S. company.

Hans Decker, 61, Siemens Corp.'s president since 1970, will become vice chairman and represent the company before governmental, economic and academic audiences.

In addition, Albert Hoser, 57, president and chief executive officer of Siemens Ltd. of Bombay, India, will become president and chief executive officer of Siemens Corp., the company said.

"Siemens is now looking to a new North American concept in which I will play an active role," Langer said. "Therefore, the day-to-day activity of our holding company in the United States will require another pair of guiding hands."

Siemens AG also said that Volker Jung, 51, president and chief executive officer of Siemens Stromberg-Carlson, Boca Raton, Fla., will return to Germany

next October to take on additional central administration duties. Jung will remain chairman of Siemens Stromberg-Carlson.

Siemens Corp., with a combined sales volume of about $4 billion, has some 60 manufacturing and assembly facilities and about 450 sales, service and other locations in the United States.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - Corporate Dividends:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Banker Tr NY Corp	Q	.63 1/2	1-25	1-3
Montana Power	Q	.37	1-31	1-10
Natl Banc Commerce	Q	.12	1-7	12-27
Tuscarora Plastics	S	.14	1-2	12-24
WashingtonFed S&L	Q	.26	1-31	1-15
Usual				
CPC Internationl	Q	.50	1-25	1-2
CentralNewspaper A	Q	.10	1-10	12-28
Fifth Third Bncp	Q	.27	1-15	12-31
FirstFed Michigan	Q	.15	2-15	1-12
Heritage Bankcorp	Q	.13	1-14	12-31
HomeFed SvgsBk Ind	Q	.07 1/2	1-3	12-20
Jefferson Bkshrs	Q	.25	1-31	1-4
Lawrence Insur Grp	Q	.09	1-29	1-7
Lincoln Savings Bk	Q	.12	1-11	1-4
Manor Care Inc	Q	.033	2-27	2-15
UST Corp	Q	.15 3/4	1-15	12-31
Valley Capital	Q	.20	1-4	12-28
Valmont Indust	Q	.06 1/2	1-15	12-28
West Co	Q	.10	2-6	1-23

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-annual

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SACRAMENTO (DEC. 19) UPI - Northern and Central California can expect temperatures to fall to near-record lows by the end of the week with possible damage to some kinds of crops, the National Weather Service predicted.

However, the cold weather apparently won't bring any rain to the drought-stricken Central Coast and Tulare regions where storage of water has declined to record low levels for modern times.

"By Friday morning we may be looking at temperatures in the low 20s in the Sacramento Valley and the Northern San Joaquin Valley, and temperatures in rural areas may get down into the teens," Margaret Nordberg, agricultural meteorologist at the weather service's Sacramento office, said Tuesday.

She said high-pressure air masses that normally block off the arctic cold have moved out into the Pacific, leaving California exposed to frigid air coming down from the north. Nordberg said citrus-growing operations in Central California and the northern part of the San Joaquin region will be particularly vulnerable.

Meanwhile the state Department of Water Resources reported Tuesday the quantity of water stored in California's 155 largest dams has declined to 12.38 million acre-feet, more than 4 million acre-feet less than was available in December last year.

The hardest-hit area in the state is the Central Coast region, including Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo and Monterey counties. Water in local storage there has declined to less than half the amount that was available in December 1977, during the worst period of the 1976-78 drought. The six dams serving the Tulare Basin also have less water in storage now than they did in December 1977.

"Down in Tulare, they are drilling into their underground water like they were headed for China," remarks Bill Helms, a spokesman for the state Department of Water Resources.

Statewide, the amount of water in the 155 major dams still is well above the low of 7.68 million acre-feet reached in December 1977. However, Helms said the picture remains discouraging despite the two light storms that passed over Northern California in December.

The drought, now entering its fifth year, has killed enough trees to furnish 12 billion board feet of timber, said Karen Terrill, information officer for the Department of Forestry. About five billion board-feet of the loss occurred in 1990.

"What we lost last year was enough to build about 500,000 small homes," Terrill said. "The losses are spread all over the state. Up in Tahoe National Forest, there are some stands where half the trees now are dead. The Stanislaus and El Dorado forests also have been hit pretty hard." Lack of water and nourishment during the drought renders trees, especially conifers growing at higher elevations, vulnerable to insects.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - The U.S. economy grew 1.4 percent in the third quarter, or $14.9 billion, lower than previously estimated but up 1 percentage point from the previous quarter, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

In its final report on third-quarter gross national product, the government showed the economy firming in the third quarter after growing a scant 0.4 percent - or $4.5 billion - in the second quarter. Real GNP grew 1.7 percent in the first quarter.

The GNP price index rose 4.2 percent in the quarter, compared with a gain of 3.9 percent in the second quarter. This index reflects prices paid domestically and was swayed by sharp increases in petroleum prices.

But economists said the third-quarter growth, which was revised downward from previous estimates of 1.7 percent, still does not signal much muscle in the economy and is not strong enough to alter estimates of negative growth for the fourth quarter.

''Basically, the economy was just sort of moving along the edge of downturn in (the third quarter). So much has happened since then that this is going to slide right by,'' said Robert Dederick, chief economist at the Northern Trust Co., in Chicago.

The greatest downward revisions were in personal consumption spending, which was trimmed $2.9 billion, and net exports, which was lowered $1.4 billion.

''Those are aspects of the economy that we are counting on to pull us through the recession,'' said Cynthia Latta, an economist at DRI/McGraw- Hill, in Lexington, Mass.

''We expect consumers will retrench more in the fourth quarter and we'll probably not see a lot of improvement in net exports.''

Much of the quarter's growth came from strong automobile sales, which rebounded from weak sales in the second quarter with the help of attractive incentives from Detroit.

Motor vehicle sales rose to $179.6 billion during the quarter from $177.8 billion in the second quarter.

''Taking autos out of here, the two quarters were about the same,'' Dederick said.

Personal spending gained $18 billion during the quarter after rising $1.5 billion in the second quarter.

Non-residential fixed investments also rose, posting a gain of $10.9 billion during the quarter after decreasing $6.2 percent in the second quarter. But

residential fixed investments continued to fall, decreasing $9.8 billion after slipping $5.5 billion in the second quarter.

Net exports fell $1.9 billion after tumbling a sharp $9.2 billion in the previous quarter. Exports rose $10.4 billion in the quarter after falling $8 billion in the second quarter. Imports also improved, gaining $12.3 billion in the third quarter after a rise of $1.2 billion in the second quarter.

Federal government purchases of goods and services increased $100 million in the quarter after gaining $12.9 billion in the second quarter. National defense purchases increased $1.7 billion after rising $2.1 billion in the previous quarter.

Final sales for the quarter increased 1.9 percent, or $19.7 billion, during the quarter after falling 0.7 percent, or $7.2 billion, in the second quarter.

Business inventories subtracted $4.8 billion from the third-quarter change in real GNP, the government said, after adding $11.7 billion to the second-quarter figures.

Businesses increased inventories $4.7 billion during the quarter after bolstering inventories $9.5 billion in the second quarter.

The government also reported that profits from current production decreased $5.9 billion during the quarter to an annual rate of $300.7 billion. Profits increased $9.8 billion in the second quarter.

Profits for non-financial corporations decreased $17 billion after rising $11.3 billion in the second quarter.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Overall U.S. oil demand dropped 2.6 percent in November from year-ago levels in face of higher fuel prices and the slowing economy, the American Petroleum Institute said Wednesday.

The United States is the world's largest oil-consuming nation and the No. 2 oil producer after the Soviet Union.

Demand for most major petroleum products, such as gasoline and home- heating oil, declined in November, the oil industry trade group said in its monthly report, but deliveries of kerosene jet fuel reached record levels for this time of year.

Domestic crude production slipped 6 percent to 7.08 million barrels a day in November from 7.53 million barrels a day in November 1989, partially reflecting a slowdown in output from Alaska's North Slope caused by stormy

weather at the Port of Valdez.

Imports of crude and petroleum products continued to decline in November because of weak demand and adequate domestic supplies.

U.S. demand for all petroleum products fell to 16.86 million barrels a day in November from 17.31 million barrels a day a year earlier.

The API attributed the decline to ''the higher prices of recent months and a weakening economy.''

Demand for gasoline slipped 3.2 percent to 7.12 million barrels a day last month from 7.35 million barrels a day in November 1989, extending the drops that have occurred in recent months, the API said.

The trade group pointed out that pump prices declined slightly at the end of November after rising about 30 cents a gallon between August and October in the aftermath of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

''The impact of higher prices, however, continued to be evident,'' said the API, which also cited substantial switching by motorists away from premium unleaded to cheaper grades of gasoline.

Demand for distillates, used primarily for home-heating oil and diesel fuel, decreased 3.5 percent in November to 3.19 million barrels a day from 3.31 million barrels a day the year before.

Even though November was 17 percent warmer than a year ago, the API said distillate deliveries - adjusted for the weather - should have been down only about 1.5 percent.

Deliveries of kerosine jet fuel shot up 4.5 percent in November to 1. 39 million barrels a day - the highest level for any November - from 1. 33 million barrels a day the year before.

''Spot jet fuel prices had risen sharply in the United States in September and early October,'' the API said. ''However, by the end of November, increased jet fuel production and softer military demand brought jet fuel prices more in line with those of heating oil.''

Crude oil imports plummeted 17.6 percent to 5.05 million barrels a day in November from 6.13 million barrels a day in the same month last year, while imports of petroleum products skidded 14.7 percent to 1.85 million barrels a day from 2.17 million barrels a day during the same period.

On the supply front, the United States had 1.059 billion barrels of oil inventories as of Nov. 30, down 2.2 percent from the 1.086 billion barrels in storage on the same date last year.

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UNITED NATIONS (DEC. 19) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis has dealt a serious blow to the world economy, reducing the growth of global output in 1990 by 0.3 percent, the U.N. department of international economic and social affairs said Wednesday.

The department said in a report the steep hike in oil prices caused by the crisis has helped some oil-producing countries to reap $27 billion by the end of 1990 while driving millions of people into poverty.

''It is estimated that the rise in oil prices and other consequences of the (gulf) crisis - the trade embargo, the loss of remittances, the repatriation of migrant laborers - reduced the growth of world output in 1990 by 0.3 percent,'' the report said.

The rise in oil prices, from $15 a barrel in July to $33 in October and $25 by mid-December following the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait byf Iraq, has caused subtantial redistribution of real income between producers and consumers of oil in the second half of 1990, the report said.

In poor and heavily indebted countries, high oil prices disrupted the balance of payments and increased debt-servicing difficulties, the U.N. department said.

The drop in the growth of world output has resulted in an increase of the number of people living in countries with declining per capita income from 1.2 billion in 1990 from about 700 million.

In the Middle East, the impact of the Iraqi invasion has been ''immediate and immense,'' the department said.

The U.N. trade embargo imposed on Iraq stopped oil exports from Iraq and Kuwait, which prior to Aug. 2 were estimated at 4.3 million barrels daily.

The U.N. department said other oil-producing countries rushed to increase their ouput to fill the gap, ''but crisis stocking raised demand and produced a substantial price increase which further enhanced oil revenues.''

''In case of war in the region, panic stockpiling could temporarily drive prices up way beyond present levels - serious observers talk of $50 or even $100 per barrel as possibilities in such a scenario,'' it said.

''Conversely, a quick and peaceful resolution might result in a price of $10 a barrel,'' it said.

Aside from the gulf crisis and its consequences on the world economy, the United Nations said 1990 was not a year of economic expansion. The overall global output grew only 1 percent in 1990 compared to 3 percent in 1989 and 4 percent in 1988.

Asian economies stayed on a ''steep growth path,'' the department said. But North America and Europe suffered slowdowns, Africa remained stagnant, Latin America was in decline and Eastern European and Soviet economies were in disarray.

Oil-importing countries may face more difficulties next year if the gulf crisis continues because demands for their primary exports will remain weak and financing needed to shore up their account deficits is not in sight, the report said.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 19) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Wednesday.

Butter: (92 score A) 98 1/4-99 1/2; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 90-93; large 86-92; medium 75-81.

Major potato markets: FOB shipping points, per hundredweight unless otherwise stated:

Round reds (100 lb sacks) Colorado 7.00-9.00. Minnesota-North Dakota 8.50-9.50.

Norkotahs and Burbanks (100 lb sacks, non- size A) Colorado 6.00-6.50, Idaho 6.50-7.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) Wisconsin 11.50- 12.50, Washington 13.00-14.00, Colorado 12.00- 15.00, Idaho 14.00-15.00, Oregon 14.00-15.00; (50 lb cartons, 100 count) Wisconsin 8.50-9.50, Washington 10.00-12.00, Colorado 10.00-11.00, Idaho 10.00, Oregon 10.00-12.00.

Round whites (100 lb sacks) Wisconsin 5.75- 6.25.

Colorado centennials (100 lb sacks, non-size A) 5.50-6.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) 9.00- 12.00, (100 count) 7.00-10.00.

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(DEC. 19) - Eric Bieniemy, who battled one of the country's toughest schedules to finish within 14 yards of the national rushing title, was named Wednesday as United Press International's Back of the Year.

Bieniemy was the overwhelming choice of a panel of UPI sports writers from across the country. The only other player to earn mention was Brigham Young quarterback Ty Detmer, the Heisman Trophy winner who was named UPI's Player of the Year earlier this week.

Bieniemy will complete his Colorado career Jan. 1 when the top-ranked Buffaloes face No. 6 Notre Dame in the Orange Bowl. He owns 15 school records, including rushing yards in a season (1,628), career rushing yards (3,940) and consecutive 100-yard games (8). He averaged 98.5 yards rushing over his 40 games for Colorado.

He averaged a Colorado record 148.0 rushing yards a game this season, coming within 1.27 yards a game of national rushing champion Gerald Hudson of Oklahoma State.

A 5-foot-7, 195-pound firebrand, Bieniemy impressed coaches with his competitive nature. He was a runaway selection of Big Eight Conference coaches when they were asked which player they would most like to start a program.

He also came within one vote of earning unanimous acclaim as the Big Eight Offensive Player of the Year.

''All season long he's been our bread-and-butter guy,'' Colorado Coach Bill McCartney said. ''He's just a real gritty guy. He competes hard every time, with or without the ball. He's a real special competitor, one that you rarely get to coach.''

Earlier this season, the Buffaloes coach said Bieniemy is ''such a fiery, competitive guy. He always gets everyone excited. He's the kind of guy an offensive lineman will block for because he's got the same temperament that they do. He would prefer to run inside the tackles rather than outside. Of course, that's a special kid who does that.

''It's his chemistry and temperament and makeup mentally that separates him from other kids.''

An off-season incident relative to his nature - a run-in with firefighters battling a blaze at his mother's home in Aurora, Colo. - led to Bieniemy being suspended for Colorado's opening game against Tennessee in the Pigskin Classic.

However, he followed by piling up 149 yards and three touchdowns against Stanford in his first action of the season, adding three- touchdown games against Texas and Kansas. He was held under 100 yards just once - 99 yards

against Texas - and turned in a 217-yard effort against Missouri.

Bieniemy's statistics are more impressive when it is noted that Colorado faced No. 3 Texas, No. 7 Washington, No. 10 Tennessee, No. 13 Nebraska, No. 17 Illinois and 8-3 Oklahoma in its schedule. Only Illinois - a 23-22 winner in Champaign - was able to beat the Buffaloes this season. Bieniemy had 127 yards on 23 carries against the Illini.

It was after a slightly injured Bieniemy had 174 yards on just 18 carries against Kansas that Heisman Trophy talk began to include him. McCartney put it off, saying the following two weeks - against Oklahoma and Nebraska - would be the real Heisman difference.

All Bieniemy did was rip Oklahoma for 188 yards and a touchdown. He added 137 yards against Nebraska and scored four fourth-period touchdowns to knock the Cornhuskers from the unbeaten ranks. The resulting attention allowed Bieniemy to earn enough votes to finish third in the Heisman voting behind Detmer and Notre Dame's Raghib Ismail.

''Bieniemy is as competitive as anyone I've ever been around,'' McCartney said. ''It's that fire within him that distinguishes him. He's got so much grit and so much competitive urge and instinct, that's what separates him. His ability to run inside, outside, his ability to catch the ball and his willingness to block - all of those things are really first-rate.''

Detmer, like Bieniemy, finished second in most of the statistical championships but helped 10-2 BYU again win the Western Athletic Conference and claimed some of the top individual honors.

The BYU junior completed 361 of his 562 passes for 5,188 yards and had an NCAA quarterback rating of 155.9. Only Virginia's Shawn Moore (160.7) had a higher rating. His 41 touchdown passes was also the second-highest in Division I-A this season.

Detmer was also second in total offense, averaging 418.5 yards a game while Houston's David Klingler worked the run-and-shoot for 474.6 yards a game.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - higher.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 97-99; large 94- 97 and

mediums 83-86.

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#90353u0974 12/19/1990 ~United Press International
MOUNT VERNON, MO. (DEC. 19) UPI - The condition of a woman being allowed to die after nearly eight years on life support and feeding systems was worsening Wednesday as hospital officials prepared for a second wave of protesters threatening to force-feed her.

Cruzan's condition was downgraded Wednesday from ''stable'' to ''deteriorating '' said Barbara Shoun, director of public relations for the hospital. She said no other details of Cruzan's condition would be released.

Shoun and Lt. Ken Perkins, of the Lawrence County Sheriff's Department, said they expected more demonstrators to arrive at the hospital Wednesday, but none had shown up by mid-morning.

''We're battening down the hatches,'' Shoun said. ''We have made our security a little tighter, and we're ready.''

Nineteen people were arrested Tuesday at the Missouri Rehabilitation Center after entering the hospital and refusing to leave, authorities said. The protesters, who refused to walk out and had to be carried out in wheelchairs, were charged with misdemeanors of first-degree trespassing and unlawful assembly.

Eleven protesters reached the second-floor unit where Nancy Cruzan's room is located but police and security guards kept them from her room, hospital officials said.

Cruzan's parents last week won a court order allowing them to remove the feeding tube that has kept her alive in a vegetative state for nearly eight years. The tube was removed during the weekend.

All 19 demonstrators continued to refuse bond Wednesday, said Perkins. Bond was set at $500 each.

The protesters refused to give their real names and all identified themselves as ''Nancy Cruzan,'' police said.

The leader of the group, the Rev. Joseph Foreman of Montreat, N.C., said Tuesday he and the others would remain in jail until Cruzan dies or until her feeding tube is replaced.

''They're all fasting today except one. She had a bowl of cereal this morning '' Perkins said. He said the jail is full because the protesters were refusing bond, but that officials will find room for more if there are further

demonstrations.

''We'll board them out,'' Perkins said.

Some protesters who did not block hallways or doors Tuesday were allowed to hold a prayer vigil in the hospital's chapel until visiting hours were over Tuesday night, Shoun said. She said protesters would be allowed to use the chapel as long as they did not disrupt the hospital's operations.

''There is a lot of resentment about the coming into the hospital both from those who agree with the decision and those who disagree because they're interfering with patient care at that point,'' Shoun said. ''Nancy is not our only patient.''

Cruzan has been in a vegetative state since a 1983 automobile accident. Her surgically implanted feeding tube, which had supplied her with food and water, was removed Saturday, one day after a Jasper County judge granted her family's request. Doctors said she would die within two weeks.

The order ended a 3-year legal battle by Cruzan's parents, Joyce and Lester ''Joe'' Cruzan of Carterville. The U.S. Supreme Court earlier this year upheld a Missouri Supreme Court ruling that the Cruzans had failed to provide ''clear and convincing evidence'' of their daughter's wishes not to live in a helpless state in the absence of a written statement.

But several of Nancy Cruzan's former co-workers who had not testified at the original hearing came forward and testified last month before Jasper County Probate Judge Charles Teel Jr. that Cruzan had made statements to them that she would not want to be kept alive in a hopeless vegetative state.

Teel ruled the new testimony met the ''clear and convincing evidence'' standard and allowed the Cruzan family to have the feeding tube removed. Family members have stayed with her since the ruling.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - House Armed Services Committee Chairman Les Aspin said Wednesday it appears the administration is aiming to force a resolution of the gulf crisis as early as February.

The Wisconsin Democrat said the gulf debate boils down to a clash of ''timelines'' - a battle between those who want a quick military solution and critics who would prefer to wait longer in case economic sanctions alone are sufficient to force Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait.

''Clearly the administration is heading to a timeline to bring this thing to a head sometime in late winter, February,'' said Aspin.

His comments came during the next to last hearing in a three-week series of sessions examining the crisis from the standpoint of the sanctions and the diplomatic and military options.

Former Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, who quit the Carter administration over the ill-fated attempt to rescue U.S. hostages in Iran a decade ago, argued strongly to let the sanctions run their course.

''We are on a winning strategy,'' said Vance. ''... The choice of deciding on the early use of military force should be outweighed by the wisdom of staying with the winning course you're on.''

Forcing the administration to back off and wait, said Vance, would not be read as a sign of weakness in the administration but rather a sign of resolve and staying power for U.S. policy.

Jeane Kirkpatrick, U.S. ambassador to the United Nations in the Reagan administration, contended that Saddam only understands force.

''I do not expect Saddam Hussein will accept a diplomatic solution - unless or until he is led by force and the threat of force to do so,'' she said.

Around the corner, at the Joint Economic Committee, arms control expert Paul Warnke agreed with Vance, saying sanctions should continue so that Saddam understands ''that we can wait him out, that he cannot retain the fruits of his aggression.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - The Federal Reserve, following up its symbolic easing of the discount interest rate confirming an easier credit stance, Wednesday took other steps to nudge the key Federal funds rate lower.

Securities traders and money market analysts said the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the Fed's agent in financial markets, bolstered the level of reserve funds by purchasing securities through its open market desk.

The Fed executed the maneuver when the floating funds rate was at 7 percent, .25 percentage point off its previous target of 7.25 percent. This was taken as a clear indication the Fed intended to guide the rate lower.

''I think it could very much mean the (Fed) funds are at 7 percent now,'' said Joel Kazis, a Smith Barney government securities trading manager.

The Fed funds rate, which banks charge each other for short-term borrowing of reserve system funds, is a bellwether of U.S. monetary policy.

The Fed had been expected to nudge the key Fed funds rate by another notch or two after its announcement Tuesday that it was taking the exceptional step of lowering the fixed discount rate to 6.5 percent from 7 percent.

Both steps indicated the Fed is stepping up its march towards a looser credit policy in an effort to ward off a deep and long recession.

''The Fed has found there is more weakness than it expected and has had to play a little bit of catch-up,'' commented Dana Johnson, market analysis chief for First National Bank of Chicago's capital markets group

Kazis and Johnson said there was some faint disappointment in the government securities market - the financial sector most immediately concerned with such shifts in credit policy - that the funds rate did not fall more.

After the long-awaited and psychologically important discount rate cut, some central bank-watchers had hoped Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan might increase his easing dosage to a half point from a quarter point at a time.

Johnson said the price of the benchmark 30-year Treasury bond dipped by 1/32 point - a negligible loss amid generally rallying prices - because some market participants positioned themselves for a more generous rate cut.

A Fed spokesman confirmed the central bank carried out $1.5 billion worth of so-called repurchase agreements - temporary purchases of government securities from the market - for its customers, often other central banks.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - National environmental groups, religious organizations and institutional investors have filed a record number of shareholder resolutions aimed at forcing companies to take steps to preserve the environment, two groups coordinating the effort said Wednesday.

The groups - the Coalition for Environmentally Responsive Economies (CERES) and the Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility - said resolutions had been filed with 56 corporations in 17 industries.

Most of the resolutions ask companies to sign the Valdez Principles or to make public an environmental report showing how the firm measures up to the code, a set of 10 guidelines covering a range of ecological concerns such as the release of pollutants, use of natural resources, reduction and disposal of waste and energy efficiency and conservation.

''We would prefer to see corporate leaders subscribe voluntarily to the Valdez Principles, but we are prepared to carry this demand for a sustainable future

to annual meetings, supermarkets, college campuses and the nation's voting booths,'' said Denis Hayes, a co-chair of CERES and the international chairman of both Earth Day celebrations.

Targets of the resolutions included firms in the chemical production, oil refining, auto manufacturing, waste disposal and pharmaceutical industry.

Resolutions were filed by groups as diverse as the Midwest Capuchin Friars, the National Wildlife Federation, the Social Investment Forum and the New York City Employees Retirement System.

''As a trustee of over $35 billion in pension assets,'' said Elizabeth Holtzman, New York City Comptroller, ''I am tremendously concerned not only with the environmental devastation unsound practices can cause, but with the resultant expenditures for clean-up, legal fees and fines that can have a substantial impact on shareholders.

''Unsound environmental practices are both fiscally and physically unsound company policy,'' she said.

Tim Smith, director of the ICCR, a coalition of 250 religious investors, said that the number of environmental shareholders resolutions rank second only to those filed on the issue of South Africa.

Last year, the first time resolutions were filed following the drafting of the Valdez Principles, just five resolutions were filed but they garnered between 8 percent and 16 percent of the vote at stockholder meetings. ''Usually 3 percent is considered a respectable showing for a first time resolution,'' Smith said.

''The public is learning that it has a great deal of influence and power in dealing with corporations, whether as consumers, voters or shareholders,'' Hayes said. ''The Valdez Principles offer a standard around which to rally.''

Companies being asked to sign or support the Valdez Principles or report on their compliance with the code include Chrysler, Ford, General Motors, Dow Chemical, American Cynamid, ARCO Chemical, DuPont, Kimberly Clark, American Telephone & Telegraph, GTE, Hewlett Packard, IBM, Cooper Industries, General Electic, Westinghouse, American Express, McDonalds, Pepsico, Kerr-McGee, Newmont Mining, Gannett, Knight-Ridder, The New York Times, the Tribune Co., The Washington Post, Atlantic Richfield, Exxon, Halliburton, and Philips Petroleum.

Also, Champion International, Mead, International Paper, Louisiana Pacific, Bristol-Myers Squibb, Arkla, Philip Morris, Union Pacific, American Electric, Centerior Energy, Cincinnati Gas & Electric, Commonwealth Edison, Houston Industries, Southern Company, Texas Utilities, Safety Clean, Armstrong World Industries and Corning.

''Through this effort, shareholders are telling their companies that environmental responsibility is a major component of the 'bottom line,''' said Joan Bavaria, president of Franklin Research and Development and a co-chair of CERES.

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MEXICO CITY (DEC. 19) UPI - For most Latin American and Caribbean nations, 1990 was a year of transition - control of hyperinflation and a move toward privatization and free trade.

Rampant inflation, stagnant economic growth and foreign debt burden are likely to continue in 1991, but there is reason for some optimism.

The priority of Latin American nations - especially Argentina, Brazil and Peru - was to end hyperinflation.

President Carlos Menem of Argentina abandoned the price controls he imposed in 1989 and tried both a free exchange rate and free prices in 1990. Inflation has been gradually abating since the program began in January, but it still is very stubborn, hitting 6.2 percent in November and running at an annual rate of 1,832.2 percent in the 12-month period ending Nov. 30.

Menem is getting a lot of support from the business community, which has cheered the privatizations of the Argentine telephone company and the state airlines as well as plans for privatizations of electric power companies and other state enterprises in 1991.

But the Argentine economy is at a standstill as a result of cutbacks in government spending and a decline in consumer spending, which once fueled the runaway inflation. Next year is likely to bring more of the same for Argentina: more debt-for-equity swaps, more curbing of the cost of living, but continuing recession - the orthodox economic cost for reducing inflation.

Brazil still is in a more transitional phase than Argentina, trying to rein inthe hyperinflation that President Fernando Collor de Mello inherited when he took office March 15.

Collor resorted to price controls and a freeze on bank deposits in the initial phase of his stabilization plan, which contained hyperinflation until the cost of living began shooting back up again. In November, monthly inflation reached 16.64 percent.

Collor has a lot more work to do, including unpopular cutbacks in state spending to stabilize the Brazilian economy. The annual inflation rate was 2,359.45 percent for the 12-month period ending Nov. 30.

Collor is privatizing state companies but not the biggest ones in a departure from the trend in Argentina and Mexico. Apparently reluctant to sacrifice his popularity, he has reduced state employment but not in the drastic fashion that cuts deep and makes a difference.

Over the last three years, Mexico has maintained tight fiscal and monetary policies, combined with wage, price and exchange rate controls. The program has been successful in slashing inflation, which rose to 160 percent in 1987 and 51.7 percent in 1988. In 1990, inflation was expected to be about 23-35 percent, up from 19.7 percent in 1989.

In Peru, President Alberto Fujimori, after taking office July 28, let prices float and curbed state spending. He is making a high priority of cutting inflation and appears willing to pay the price of recession to accomplish this goal. Inflation in November was 5.9 percent in Peru, a remarkable reduction compared to a rate of 397 percent in August - an all-time high for the nation.

Fujimori's challenge is to maintain his anti-inflation program without letting Peru's terrible social problems boil over.

Four Andean nations - Bolivia, Colombia, Peru and Venezuela - agreed in November to form a free-trade zone open to foreign capital by the end of 1991 and to scrap tariffs. Ecuador, the Andean Group's only member that has not followed liberal economic reforms, has been given some time to lower trade barriers.

Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay plan to establish a common market by 1995.

The five nations of Central America - Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua - held an economic summit in June and agreed to revive their dormant regional common market that foundered about 20 years ago. Trade among the five countries, whose combined foreign debt is estimated at $20 billion, declined to $600 million in 1989 from $1.1 billion in 1981.

After a decade of leftist Sandinista rule that ended early this year in Nicaragua, new President Violeta Chamorro has embarked on a privatization scheme, and similar steps are being taken by President Alfredo Cristiani of El Salvador, whose decade-long civil war has cost over 72,000 lives.

News from the Caribbean was mixed, however.

Jamaican Minister of Development, Planning and Production P.J. Patterson said in his budget address in May his country's ''economy is in a critical but extremely fragile growth path.'' To ensure continued economic growth in 1990, the government created an export development fund for exporters, foreign account facilities to allow individuals to hold foreign currency in Jamaican

banks and a unit to assist the development of small business.
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(DEC. 19) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney and General Colin Powell arrived in Saudi Arabia today on a five-day mission. A host of Saudi dignitaries greeted the military men who are spearheading the U-S response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and a Saudi prince served them tea. During their visit, Cheney and Powell will criss-cross the desert to meet with some of the 270-thousand American troops sent to defend the Saudi kingdom against Iraq.

Housing starts rose last month. But the figure is NOT as positive as it appears on first glance. The Commerce Department reports a nine- percent jump in housing starts for November, most of it in multiple-unit construction. But the rate of single-family housing starts actually dropped in November to the lowest since October 1982- when the nation was battling its last recession. And the overall November figure, while up from October, is still 16 percent below November of last year.

The economy continued to firm up during the third quarter of the year. The Commerce Department is out with its final revision of G-N-P figures for the July-September period. It shows an increase of one- point-four percent, up one percent from the four-tenths of one percent expansion in the second quarter. Consumers also spent more during the summer months, up by 18-BILLION dollars when compared with one-point- five-BILLION in the second quarter.

President Bush has released a new study showing the number of frequent cocaine users is down for the first time. Frequent use is defined as using cocaine more than once a week. The Bush administration is expected to use the report to show that progress is being made in the war against drugs.

South African police are detaining an employee of the country's Foreign Affairs department who they suspect played a role in the October 3rd explosion outside the Pretoria residence of U-S Ambassador William Swing. The suspect is identified as a ''junior'' employee named P-J Kruger and is being held under a law which allows detention without trial. Police declined to confirm reports that at least two other men have been held. The U-S Embassy has NO comment.

Cambodian sources report that resistance forces captured a key government outpost earlier this week... killing at least 17 soldiers and opening the way for an attack on a district town. A spokesman for the resistance forces loyal to Prince Norodom Sihanouk says his troops are primed for their next move. A radio report by the Khmer Rouge faction of the resistance coalition says the government outpost fell despite reinforcements by Vietnamese troops and heavy weapons.

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LONDON (DEC. 19) UPI - Stock prices closed higher Wednesday in light trading on the London International Stock Exchange, as investors put their books in order and securities houses started to take positions for next year.

Stock prices ended lower in Frankfurt.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which added 3.9 points Tuesday, gained 16.9 points to 2,178.7. The narrower top 30 industrial average added 12.9 points to 1,707.1.

Volume amounted to about 509 million shares compared with 575 million shares Tuesday.

Analysts said the U.S. Federal Reserve's decision Tuesday to cut its discount rate to 6.5 percent from 7 percent lifted stocks in light trading.

Market sentiment was also boosted by renewed hopes of a cut in British interest rates.

On the local economic front, the government reported Britain's economy showed its biggest quarterly contraction for nearly 10 years in the third quarter of this year, fueling economists' fears of a deep recession.

A steep drop in investment and a downturn in consumer spending combined to cut gross domestic product 1.2 percent in the third quarter from the second quarter, bringing GDP growth for the previous 12 months to 0.6 percent, the Central Statistical Office said.

The last time such a large quarterly decline was registered was in the last three months of 1980, when GDP fell 1.5 percent from the previous quarter.

On the trading floor, glass manufacturer Pilkington gained 20 cents to $3.45 on renewed hopes of a bid from industrial group BTR which announced it had increased its stake in the glass producer to over 4 perxent from 3.75 percent.

Pharmaceuticals group Glaxo eased 26 cents to 15.96 amid worries of competition to its asthma drug.

Elsewhere in the sector, Wellcome gained 26 cents to $8.68.

In Frankfurt, stock prices closed lower on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange in light pre-holiday trading.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which added 1.54 points Tuesday, lost 20.17 points to 1,457.24.

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BOSTON (DEC. 19) UPI - A new study has raised new questions about the existence of a mysterious syndrome that some doctors have linked to repeated yeast infections, researchers said Wednesday.

In the study, the widely used drug anti-fungal nystatin was no more effective than a dummy drug in relieving symptoms such as fatigue, premenstrual tension, gastrointestinal problems and depression in 42 women with a history of vaginal yeast infections.

''I think these data cast further doubt on the existence of the syndrome,'' which is variously known as chronic candiasis, candida- related complex and candiasis hypersensitivity syndrome, said Dr. William Dismukes of the University of Alabama Medical Center in Birmingham.

Yeast infections are caused by the fungus Candida albicans, which is commonly found in the intestinal tract and the vagina. Usually, it does not create problems. But if factors such as use of antibiotics or pregancy allow the fungus to grow rapidly, it can cause vaginal infections in women.

Proponents of chronic candiasis believe it not only causes vaginal symptoms such as irritation and discharge but a host of other symptoms as well. However in the study published in The New England Journal of Medicine, Dismukes and co-researchers concluded that their results ''provide additional objective evidence that the syndrome is not a verifiable condition.''

In an editorial accompanying the study, Dr. John Bennett of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases acknowledged that few ''illnesses have sparked as much hostility between the medical community and a segment of the lay public as the chronic candiasis syndrome.''

Bennett said patients who feel they suffer from the syndrome have charged that doctors who doubt it exists are not listening to them, have shirked their responsibilities and dismissed as unacceptable potentially helpful treatments.

One of the primary proponents of the syndrome, Dr. William Crook,

said although Dismukes' study was ''carefully done,'' it could not prove or disprove that chronic candiasis is a real condition because it did not include changes in the women's diets.

Crook is a pediatrician in Jackson, Tenn., who said he has sold more than 900,000 copies of his book, ''The Yeast Connection: A Medical Breakthrough.'' He said people with the syndrome not only need to take drugs such as nystatin, but also avoid sugar, foods containing yeasts and molds, cheese, mushrooms and

alcohol.

Crook said more studies need to be done involving diets that avoid foods patients ''seem to be sensitive to'' and additionally use anti- fungal drugs such as ketoconazole that may be more effective than nystatin.

Crook and others think growth of the cadida fungus causes inflammation of mucous membranes in the vagina and intestine and an overall allergic or toxic reaction. Some researchers have suggested it may be responsible for another baffling disorder, chronic fatigue syndrome, which also causes symptoms such as fatigue and depression.

In the new study, Dismukes and colleagues had the women, who ranged in age from 21 to 40, take different combinations of nystatin and a worthless substitute drug for four successive eight-week periods.

During each period, the women took either daily oral and vaginal doses of nystatin, oral nystatin and a dummy vaginal drug, an oral dummy drug and vaginal nystatin or oral and vaginal substitute drugs.

Dismukes said the nystatin was more effective than the dummy drug at relieving the women's vaginal symptoms. ''But that is to be expected - that is what nystatin does,'' he said.

But nystatin and the substitute drug were about equally effective in relieving the women's other symptoms. On average, the non-vaginal symptoms in women receiving treatment that included nystatin improved 25 percent, compared to 23 percent in the women taking only the worthless placebo, they said.

The improvement seen with the dummy drug conforms to a well-known phenomenon called the ''placebo effect'' frequently observed in such studies, Dismukes said.

Although Crook believes ''millions'' of Americans are afflicted with chronic yeast syndrome, Dismukes said the ''number of people who believe they have it is not known, although it certainly is a lot.''

Dismukes agreed with Crook that more studies need to be done ''so we can finally answer 'yes' or 'no' about whether it is a real entity.'' In the meantime, ''patients are frustrated and doctors are frustrated, because the patients clearly don't feel well and their doctors don't know why,'' he said.

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NEWARK, NJ (DEC. 19) UPI - The union representing Atlantic City casino workers is controlled by imprisoned mob boss Nicodemo ''Little Nicky'' Scarfo, federal prosecutors charged Wednesday in a lawsuit seeking to take over the

union.

The suit charges that organized crime has dominated Local 54, Hotel and Restaurant Employees and Bartenders International Union, for more than 20 years, using murder and extortion to maintain control.

The Justice Department is seeking ouster of the local executive board and its replacement by a court-appointed trustee.

Local 54, headquartered in Atlantic City, represents more than 22,000 members in southern New Jersey, most of them restaurant and bar employees in the casinos.

The complaint ''graphically shows how criminals and their willing union followers take control by means of murder, threats and manipulation,'' Attorney General Richard Thornburgh told a news conference announcing the suit.

The named defendants include Scarfo; Anthony ''Tony Bucks'' Piccolo of Philadelphia, believed to be the Scarfo-Bruno crime family's acting head; and Nicodemo Scarfo Jr. Prosecutors charge that the younger Scarfo is a go-between for his father, serving a life racketeering sentence in the federal prison in Marion, Ill.

International President Edward T. Hanley of Antioch, Ill., former Local 54 President Frank Gerace, President Roy Silbert and the rest of his executive board are also named. The New Jersey Casino Control Commission removed Gerace as Local 54 president in 1984, and he is now an employee of the international union.

The government's complaint charges the Scarfo mob killed two union officials to maintain control of Local 54: Joseph ''Joey'' McGreal, president of Hotel and Restaurant Workers Local 170 on Christmas 1973, and Roofers Union Local 30 President John McCullough in December 1980.

''With freedom and democracy breaking out all over the world, it's time for a court-appointed trustee to restore democracy to the thousands of hard-working casino hotel and restaurant workers who are members of this union,'' said Michael Chertoff, U.S. attorney for New Jersey.

Scarfo was convicted in 1988 of racketeering and murder-conspiracy. New Jersey State Police arrested his son and Piccolo in a roundup of mobsters charged with drug dealing, illegal gambling, credit card fraud and other crimes.

A federal judge last week found Piccolo guilty of violation of probation. A mob informant taped Piccolo at an apparent mob initiation ceremony in The Bronx.

The U.S. attorney for New Jersey pioneered union takeovers with a complaint

filed in 1982 against Teamsters Local 560, which has been under a court-ordered trusteeship since 1986. The Justice Department has since filed complaints against Roofers Local 30 in Philadelphia and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

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PALM BAY, FLA. (DEC. 19) UPI - Call it the ''Geraldo'' defense. A young woman who could face 20 years in a federal prison for bank robbery said she and her boyfriend got the idea for the crime watching a Geraldo Rivera's' syndicated television show that featured thieves.

Kathleen Meka, 19, and her 25-year-old boyfriend walked into the First Union National Bank Friday, presented a note demanding money and saying they were armed and walked out with $2,215, according to Palm Bay police.

Meka surrendered on Saturday. Her boyfriend, whose name has not been released, was still at large Wednesday.

Meka told her lawyer, police and FBI agents she and her boyfriend were watching a Dec. 12 segment of the Geraldo show that featured bank robbers and embezzlers when her boyfriend remarked how easy it would be to pull off a heist.

So they used Meka's mother's car and tried it. Now she could face a lengthy federal prison sentence and a $250,000 fine.

''She is a victim,'' said her public defender, Joel Remland. ''She's 19, easily influenced and here she is being coerced by her boyfriend because of this irresponsible, sensational, yellow journalism.''

Rivera spokesman Jeff Erdel said the segment should have been a deterrent because it focused on ordinary people who committed crimes and were caught.

''If we do a show on auto safety and somebody decides to drive their car into a brick wall, we have no control over that,'' Erdel said.

Meka, who was being held without bond, has no criminal record, according to Remland, who plans to seek a psychiatric evaluation to show his client was influenced by the program.

''The real irony of this case is that the least culpable person involved is sitting in jail, and the person most to blame is out running around somewhere '' Remland said.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Bruce Hinshelwood didn't think a ''Geraldo'' defense would carry much weight.

''If she were to enter any courtroom in this district and proffer that as a defense, I don't think there would be any reluctance by the judge or jury or appellate courts to convict and uphold the conviction,'' Hinshelwood said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - A survey of mayors in 30 major cities reported a rise in both hunger and homelessness during the past year and most expect the economic recession - now hitting most cities - to heighten the problem, the U.S. Conference of Mayors said Wednesday.

At the same time, the city officials also reported public sentiment is turning against the homeless.

''More than three out of four of the survey cities report that they have experienced an economic slowdown in recent months and all but one of the cities which reported it had not experienced an economic slowdown ... anticipated the recession will affect the problems of hunger and homelessness during the next year,'' the report said.

Every one of the responding cities said they expect the demand for emergency food assistance and shelter - especially by homeless families - to increase during the next year.

The mayors' survey confirms a report issued last week by the National Coalition for the Homeless predicting that as the recession deepens, many Americans - especially those working in low-wage jobs - are at risk of becoming homeless and the problem could become critical if the Bush administration fails to respond.

''During the past year,'' the mayors' survey said, ''requests for emergency shelter increased ... by an average of 24 percent, with four out of five of the cities registering an increase, 10 percent reporting that the number of requests remained the same and another 10 percent reporting a decline.''

Just under 75 percent of the survey cities reported an increase in the number of homeless families needing emergency shelter, ranging from an increase of 60 percent in Phoenix, Ariz., 40 percent in New Orleans, and 36 percent in Cleveland to 10 percent in Norfolk, Va., and 5 percent in San Antonio, Texas. Kansas City, Mo., Minneapolis, Minn., and San Francisco reported declines in the number of homeless families.

In 70 percent of the cities, shelters are forced to turn away homeless families needing aid bacause the shelters lack resources.

The city officials estimated that overall 19 percent of the requests for

shelter by all homeless people went unmet last year and 16 percent of the requests by homeless families could not be met despite an average increase of 3 percent in the number of emergency shelter beds and a 12 percent increase in the number of transitional housing units available.

''Officials in four out of five of the survey cities have seen evidence of change in public sentiment toward homeless people, and in the majority of these cities - 57 percent - there are more negative attitudes,'' the report said.

According to the survey, those who are homeless are remaining that way longer - another sign that the recession is taking its toll and making it more difficult for people to re-enter the mainstream of the economy.

''About 20 percent of shelter users have been without their own home for more than a year,'' according to Minneapolis officials. Providence, R.I., officials reported that the time frame of a shelter stay there ''has gone from four to six weeks to two to three months.''

''The average length of stay, particularly for families, has significantly icnreased over the last year,'' said officials in Alexandria, Va., the Washington, D.C., suburb. City officials cited a number of factors - the lack of subsidized housing, an increase in single-parent families and more families entering the shelter with multiple dysfunctions.

Alexandria, along with Kansas City, Los Angeles, Louisville, New York, Philadelphia, Portland, Ore., San Antonio, Texas, and Trenton, N. J., said that families with children account for 40 percent or more of their homeless.

Overall, the report said single men comprise 51 percent of the homeless population; families with children are 34 percent; single women 12 percent and unaccompanied youth 3 percent.

City officials reported that 46 percent of the homeless are black, 34 percent white, 15 percent Hispanic, 3 percent American Indians, and 1 percent Asian.

Persons considered mentally ill make up 28 percent of the homeless population, according to city officials. Substance abusers are 38 percent and nearly a quarter are employed in full- or part-time jobs. Some 26 percent are veterans and 6 percent are people reported to have AIDS or HIV-related illness.

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PANAMA CITY, Panama (DEC. 19) UPI - Panamanian officials stood by two weeks ago as 500 heavily armed U.S. troops surrounded National Police headquarters, pinned rebellious police officers to the ground and led them away in handcuffs.

The Dec. 5 police uprising was a stark reminder of Panama's deep dependence on the United States a year after invading U.S. troops ousted dictator Manuel Antonio Noriega and installed the civilian government of President Guillermo Endara.

''I think you could describe it as being somewhat embarrassing for Panama,'' said Panamanian Archbishop Marcos McGrath. ''Panama (lacks) a certain economic stability plus a good police force ... These are the two great disadvantages in achieving a real sense of independence.''

At a time when Panama should be preparing for greater autonomy and the takeover of the Panama Canal, the country seems more reliant than ever on U.S. economic and security assistance, observers say.

Endara, who won the annulled 1989 elections, was expected to lead post-invasion Panama into a prosperous new era of democracy after 21 years of military rule. Much of his support came from his pledge to improve relations with the United States, which grew increaingly strained under Noriega's rule.

In some ways, Panama is on the mend. Crippling U.S. economic sanctions against the Noriega regime have been lifted. Deposits are increasing in Panama's off-shore banking center. Stores looted during the Dec. 20 invasion of last year have reopened. And the economy is expected to grow by 5 percent this year.

But daunting problems still remain. Violent crime plagues Panama City. The police force remains ineffective and a source of potential coups.

Endara's free-market economic plan has sparked massive protests by labor unions. Riot police fired teargas and shotguns to break up labor rallies last week. More than 12,000 government workers have been fired and unemployment is 20 percent.

Also, U.S. economic aid has fallen short of Panama's expectations. Only $108 million in U.S. aid has been disbursed due to a number of conditions attatched to the $461 million aid package. The U.S. government has refused to compensate for Panamanians who were killed or wounded during the invasion.

''After promising practically everything, they (the U.S. government) haven't come up with anything,'' said political analyst Marco Gandasegui.

Endara, who was sworn in on a U.S. base during the invasion, is widely viewed as a weak, ineffective leader. In a November opinion poll in the newspaper La Prensa, his approval rating was just 25 percent.

The high profile U.S. presence in Panama has also created resentments.

The U.S. military refused for months to turn over 15,000 boxes of Noriega documents confiscated during the invasion to Panamaniam investigators. When

the U.S. Army seized three Pacific Ocean islands during the invasion, they kept them for five months before giving them back.

The conversion of Noriega's army into a police force that carries pistols and nightsticks increased Panama's reliance on the Americans. With 10,000 U.S. troops based in Panama until the year 2000, it leaves the U.S. military as the only real power brokers. That worries many here.

''Panamanians on the whole are mortified by having to call in U.S. troops and everytime it happens we feel ourselves less a nation,'' McGrath said, referring to the police mutiny.

The Dec. 5 rebellion occurred just as the U.S. military was planning to withdraw the last 150 troops stationed around the country since the invasion. Now, those plans have been delayed indefinitely.

U.S. Ambassador Deane Hinton admits there have been ''headaches'' in the relationship but says ties between the two countries are strong.

''Expectations were too high. Frustrations have boiled over,'' Hinton said in a speech last week. ''We all have to remember that this government has faced problem after problem since the day it was sworn in - no breathing space.''

Louis Martinz, Endara's foreign press secretary, described Panama as a ''protected democracy'' and said the country will rely on U.S. security help ''until necessary.''

The U.S. connection goes back to the country's foundings. Panama declared independence from Colombia with U.S. backing in 1903. U.S. engineers began work on the Panama Canal in 1903 and 10 American military bases were built. Even the official currency is the U.S. dollar.

Under the Panama Canal treaty, Panama will take control of the waterway by the end of the decade. The canal is currently a joint U.S.- Panamanian operation. U.S. military bases are also scheduled to close down. But Martinz admits Panama has long way to go before it weans itself off U.S. support.

''In the past, the U.S. has always been there,'' Martinz said. ''Lets hope by the year 2000 we're on our own.''

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (DEC. 19) UPI - H&R Block Inc. said Wednesday it has begun a previously announced $45 million cash tender for all outstanding shares of Interim Systems Corp. common stock.

Block is offering $1.66 a share for the stock of Interim, a temporary help

company based in Clifton, N.J.

The companies last week announced a definitive merger agreement.

Under the agreement, Block also would acquire shares held by Interim Chairman and President Fred R. Sullivan for the same price. Sullivan owns 13.8 percent of the company's outstanding stock.

The tender will expire at midnight Jan. 17.

Block, the nation's largest provider of income tax preparation services, owns several subsidiaries, including Personnel Pool of America Inc., a temporary help services company. Acquiring Interim would allow the company to increase its market presence and enhance its competitive position through a single acquisition, Block said.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 19) UPI - Georgia's Parliament demanded Wednesday that Soviet Interior Ministry troops keeping peace in the Ossetia region of the republic be put under local control, a move that would undoubtedly heighten ethnic tension in the area.

A state of emergency and a curfew were declared and troops were sent into the region, which has moved to break from Georgia, last week after three people were killed in Georgian-Ossetian ethnic violence.

The shootings capped a month of increased tension between the Ossetian region and the new nationalist-controlled government in Tbilisi, the capital of the southern Soviet republic of Georgia.

The Ossetians declared their autonomous region within Georgia a separate republic, a move the Georgian Parliament declared illegal and countered by abolishing the separate administration of South Ossetia.

On Wednesday the Parliament in Tbilisi demanded that Soviet Interior Ministry troops sent to the region to stop violence between Georgians and Ossetians be placed under Georgian control or pulled out of the area.

The official Soviet news agency Tass said the Parliament threatened that the Georgian government and its people would resort to ''extreme measures'' if Moscow did not comply with the request.

The outlawed local government in South Ossetia, however, called instead for a strengthening of the Soviet peacekeeping force and the widening of the state of emergency.

An official of the independent newspaper Premier in Northern Ossetia, which is part of the Russian republic, said South Ossetia was under a ''virtual blockade'' and was running out of gasoline and other supplies, but the report could not be confirmed.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 19) UPI - Defense Minister Moshe Arens told visiting U.S. senators Wednesday he was not in the guessing business when they asked him to predict whether war would break out between U.S.-led forces and Iraq.

''Exactly what Saddam Hussein will do until the end of the month, until the 15th of January, the entire world is guessing. They (the senators) also asked me to guess ... I don't like to guess,'' Arens said.

But Arens told the seven-member Senate delegation, led by Senate Democratic leader George Mitchell, Israel was prepared in case of war. As far as Israel was concerned no change had occurred since Aug. 2, when Iraq invaded Kuwait, Arens said.

''We are ready for any attempt to attack us,'' Army Radio quoted Arens as telling the visiting American senators.

The Senate delegation was one of several congressional tours through the Middle East recently, which have met with Israeli officials and U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia.

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BOSTON (DEC. 19) UPI - The once-common practice of using kerosene to get rid of head lice not only is outdated but it can be extremely dangerous, two health care workers warned Wednesday.

Donald Damschen and Dr. John Carlile of the University of Nevada School of Medicine in Reno cited the case of a five-year-old girl who was badly burned when fumes from the kerosene her family used to treat her head lice ignited, creating a flash fire.

In a letter to The New England Journal of Medicine, Damschen and Carlile said the family resorted to kerosene as a ''delousing agent'' after several shampoos apparently failed to get rid of lice the child acquired at school.

Undiluted lantern fuel was applied to the child's head and she was then taken to the kitchen sink to rinse it off, they said. At that point, a ''pilot light in the kitchen stove ignited the fumes, causing flash burns to the child and two other family members,'' they reported.

The child was the most seriously injured, with burns over 40 percent of her body. She was taken to University Medical Center in Reno and is now undergoing skin grafting procedures.

Although in current medical practice the chemicals lindane and malathion are used to treat head lice, the use of kerosene ''has been advocated in the lay medical literature for several decades,'' Damschen and Carlile said.

Consequently, the ''outdated kerosene treatment continues to come to the attention of modern physicians, with tragic consequences in our patient,'' they said.

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BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (DEC. 19) UPI - The Federal Chamber of the Yugoslav Parliament Wednesday urged the central government to prevent the ruling nationalist coalition in Slovenia from holding a plebiscite on independence for the republic.

The motion was approved at the end of a six-hour debate on plebiscite to be held Sunday. Delegates from Slovenia staged a walkout, protesting that a discussion should await the outcome of the vote, which is expected to be overwhelmingly for independence.

The republic's leaders have stressed that passage will not mean automatic secession, but represent a bargaining chip in their efforts to change the constitutional framework of the multi-ethnic nation of 23 million.

The Federal Chamber supported a finding rendered Tuesday by the nation's eight-man collective presidency that said the plebiscite is ''anti-constitutional'' because any move by a republic toward secession must be blessed by the other five republics.

The motion asked the Constitutional Court, Yugoslavia's highest judicial body, to rule on the legality of the plebiscite. The panel later announced that it would decide by Friday whether to issue a temporary restraining order.

Slovenia's ruling Democratic Union, a coalition of nationalist parties that ousted communists in April polls, called the plebiscite to give it the right to declare independence if its plan for a new federal constitution is rejected.

Slovenia, joined by Croatia, wants Yugoslavia made a confederation of independent states because of fears of domination by the largest republic, Serbia, whose ruling Communists have been fanning Serbian nationalism to maintain their lock on power.

Croatia and Slovenia, the most liberal and economically developed republics, also contend that they derive insufficient benefits from federal spending compared to the amount of funds they contribute.

The Croatian and Slovenian assemblies adopted measures earlier this year declaring the sovereignty of their republics and giving their laws pre-eminence over federal statutes.

Serbia's Communists reject confederation unless Serbia's borders are expanded to include Serbian enclaves in other republics, a demand that has fueled fears of civil war.

Rising opposition among various segements of the country to the plebiscite has provoked concerns of intervention by the Communist-led Yugoslav military, which has indicated it will use force to preserve the federation formed in 1918.

Slovenian authorities have responded by posting paramilitary police reinforcements around government buildings and other key installations.

Speaking to the Federal Chamber during the debate, Yugoslav Deputy Defense Minister Stane Brovet said the armed forces would act according to the orders of Parliament and the constitution.

''The Yugoslav People's Army will not do anything which is beyond the will of this parliamentary chamber, the Parliament of Yugoslavia, beyond the constitution and law, and those who count on treason and capitulation will gravely deceive themselves.''

Deputy Foreign Minister Milivoj Maksic said other nations oppose shifts in Yugoslavia's frontiers for strategic reasons.

''Nobody in Europe wants a change of borders and the disintegration of Yugoslavia would lead to a possible disintegration of far bigger states and this might violate the international balance in the world,'' he said.

Said Ibro Hadzic, a delegate from Bosnia-Herzegovina: ''With this referendum, Slovenia opens an unconstitutional way for rearranging the country which could have unforeseeable consequences and could lead to the fanning of ethnic conflicts.''

''The federal organs, when this plebiscite is in question, should act to prevent non-constitutional activities and protect interests of all citizens of the country,'' he said.

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TORONTO (DEC. 19) UPI - The current Canadian recession could have been avoided, minimized, or delayed if a greater effort had been made in reducing the federal deficit, the head of the Canadian Manufacturing Association said Wednesday.

Laurent Thibault, president of the CMA, told reporters at the group's Yearend Review and 1991 Outlook briefing that the costs of not having cut the deficit are "enormous."

The recession has cost $25.5 billion in short-term lost sales, the review noted, with a cumulative 5-year output loss of more than double that figure. Thibault said the size of the country's debt and fiscal deficits were being fueled by high interest rates and an overvalued Canadian dollar.

Canadian prime rates hit a high of 14.75 percent earlier this year and the currency traded above the 88-cent level in late summer. More recently, the rates have eased, currently at 13.25 at most major banks, and the dollar has traded at the 86-cent level.

The association also said 180,000 manufacturing jobs are expected to be lost, half of them permanently, by mid-1991 compared with 1989 peak levels. For the year ending in October, 140,000 jobs had already been lost, the review indicated.

The job losses were attributed by the CMA to a drop in both manufacturing shipments and profits, restructuring to compete globally and declining competitiveness.

Thibault said the manufacturing sector entered into a recession in the fourth quarter of 1989 and will likely remain in it until at least the third quarter of 1991.

"It's clear that the manufacturing outlook continues to deteriorate," Thibault said. "Consumer confidence has been slipping, construction activity is dropping very rapidly and there are increasing indications of a United States recession."

The association is forecasting a drop in manufacturing activity for 17 of 20 industries in 1990 and for 15 or 20 industries in 1991. Furniture, textiles, leather, non-metal minerals and electrical industries were the big losers in 1990 with non-metal minerals, machinery and furniture expected to be the hardest hit next year.

Thibault said as the cost of capital for manufacturers has risen, spending on updated technology, needed to make themselves more competitive, has fallen. And unless the rate of decline in interest rates accelerates, the situation facing manufacturers could turn worse, he added.

"Canada is in a period of very fundamental (economic) adjustment," Thibault said, adding that the federal deficit limits the ability of the government to act which in turn impacts on manufacturers.

"We have no flexibility to invest in more training, more research and development, more of all the things that we need to compete," Thibault said. "The next few years will be difficult."

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#90353u1147 12/19/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 19) UPI - It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas in areas that generally don't see much snow... including Seattle. In fact, there's a wide range of temperatures throughout the country today. Miami residents are in the comfortable 80's while Montana's citizens may be lucky to find highs between 10 and 20 degrees- below zero. Add to that expected winds of 35 miles an hour and you come up with Montana wind chills of 70 degrees below zero. The cold air and strong winds extend as far west as Seattle, where snow-laden powerlines came crashing down today. The Seattle park system is expected to open several golf courses- for skiing and sledding.

Iraq apparently is drawing lines of its own in the sand as it prepares for the possibility of war next month. Baghdad Radio reports Iraq's oil ministry is asking civilians to stock up on domestic heating fuel in case there are shortages if war breaks out. Saddam Hussein fired his oil minister in October after that official ordered gasoline rationing. Saddam proclaimed, at the time that rationing was NOT needed.

And a separate report from Egypt's Middle East News Agency indicates that Iraqi armored units are being pulled away from northwestern borders with Syria and are heading southeast to occupied Kuwait. Iraq already has 430-thousand troops in the area.

Housing starts rose nine percent last month, but economists say it's NOT a sign that the housing industry has ended its depression. Thomas Holloway, senior economist for the Mortgage Bankers Association in Washington, says ''it's nice to see the rebound and nice to see a positive number'' but we'll have to wait a little longer to see the beginning of a recovery. Holloway says he expects the housing market to recover by late spring.

New York's Supreme Court has opened the way for insurance companies in that state to test applicants for the AIDS virus, and deny coverage for anyone who tests positive. That possibility comes after the court struck down a 1987 ruling from the former Superintendant of Insurance that kept insurance companies from making AIDS tests. New York courts later ruled the superintendant did NOT have the authority to make the ruling. California is the only state with a law keeping insurance companies from testing for AIDS.

A 19-year-old woman charged with robbing a bank in Palm Bay, Florida, says she and her boyfriend were inspired by the t-v show ''Geraldo.'' Police say the woman wrote a note demanding money, presented it to a teller and left the bank with 22-hundred dollars. The suspect turned herself in to Sheriff's officials this weekend and is being held without bond. She told authorities that she and her friend realized how easy it was to rob a bank after watching a December 12th segment of the talk show that featured bank robbers and embezzlers.

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CLEVELAND (DEC. 19) UPI - The people who hire management and professional staffs appear confident in the economy despite widespread speculation of a recession.

Management Recruiters International, which describes itself as the nation's largest search and recruitment firm, surveyed more than 3,000 executives responsible for hiring and found 32 percent plan staff increases during the next six months, while 52 percent plan no change and 16 percent plan staff reductions.

"We were awaiting with bated breath the result of the survey," MRI President Alan Schonberg said Wednesday. "We were very pleased with the result. We're not looking at a massive downturn. Sure, there's some tightening. There are some downs, but we are not looking at a holocaust here."

The Cleveland firm has been doing the survey for nine years. Highs for planned staff increases were in the 40 percent range from late 1983 until early 1985. The lows, ranging between 28 percent and 29 percent, were recorded in late 1982.

The latest survey, however, does indicate some slowing. Surveyed earlier this year, 36 percent said they planned staff increases in the second half of this year.

"We're looking at a pinch, but we're not looking at a decapitation," Schonberg said. "The head has not been sliced from the body of the economy." He said the survey historically has been more accurate than predications from economists.

"The people we talk to are mid- and senior-level management people," he said. "They're responsible in their companies for the hiring of mid-management and professional people. So what they're reflecting is a real investment. ... They're not hiring hourly workers that can be added at will. They're making investments in their future."

Particularly strong in the latest survey were the Pacific, Mountain and Southwest regions. Forty-one percent of respondents from the Pacific region said they planned management and professional staff increases during the first

half of 1991, while 40 percent plans increases in the Southwest and 39 percent in the Mountain region. At the low end were New England at 26 percent, South Atlantic at 27 percent and South Central at 29 percent.

Thirty-five percent in the Midwest said they planned staff increases, as did 32 percent in the Middle Atlantic and 31 percent in the North Central regions.

"I might have looked for a little more strength in the North Central area," Schonberg said. "It's down from 34.8 percent to 30.9 percent. I was not expecting that. Other than that, there are no surprises."

By industry, telecommunications led the way at 47 percent, followed by data processing at 46 percent and pharmaceuticals at 42 percent. On the low end were textiles at 14 percent, lumber-wood products at 20 percent, and primary metals at 23 percent.

MRI found similar results in a separate survey regarding the employment outlook for sales, sales management, and marketing staffs - 32 percent planning increases, 52 percent no change and 16 percent reductions.

By region, results were slightly different. The Southwest led at 42 percent, followed by North Central at 36 percent and New England at 32 percent. The Pacific, South Atlantic and Midwest regions all came it at 29 percent, followed by Middle Atlantic at 28 percent and Mountain at 19 percent. Insufficient data were available for the South Central region.

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TIRANA, ALBANIA (DEC. 19) UPI - Albania formally legalized political parties Wednesday, and thousands of supporters of the first opposition group in 46 years of Marxist rule celebrated at a rally where authorities were criticized for using tanks to suppress recent riots.

''This is a great day for Albania,'' Gramoz Pashko, a key organizer of the new Democratic Party, told the crowd that packed the center of Tirana's Enver Hoxha University, named after the founder of what was Europe's last orthodox Communist state.

The economic professor reaffirmed that the party would contest elections to the national Parliament set under a program of gradual reforms initiated by President Ramiz Alia after the fall in 1989 of Marxist regimes across Eastern Europe.

The party, however, will press Alia to delay the vote to give it time to organize, Pashko said.

''We will immediately fight to have the date of the election moved back from

February to May, demand the release of all political prisoners and start campaigning,'' he said.

London-based Amnesty International last week reported that nearly 1, 000 political prisoners remain jailed in Albania despite Alia's pledges to adhere to international human rights accords.

Sali Berisha, another senior Democratic Party leader, blasted the conservative bureaucracy for ordering the use of tanks to suppress two days of anti-government riots last week that erupted after Alia first indicated he was opening the doors to political pluralism.

''Be wary of the bureaucrats who want to destabilize this country. It was they who ordered the tanks into Elbasan,'' Berisha told the crowd.

Earlier, organizers of the new party met to discuss establishing a newspaper and were told to send a representative to Justice Minister Enver Halili to hear a decision on their request for formal recognition.

When the representative returned with word that their application was approved the leaders hugged and kissed each other and chanted ''freedom.''

The developments coincided with the trials of more than 170 people arrested in three towns rocked by anti-regime riots.

State-run Radio Tirana said 60 people in Shkoder, 55 in Elbasan and 62 in Durres were indicted on charges ranging from attempted assassination and assault to holding illegal gatherings.

The radio said defendants had acknowledged their crimes and ''repented.''

At least 16 people, including two senior police officers, were reportedly injured in clashes between protesters and security forces during the riots in Shkoder, Elbasan, Durres, as well as in Kavaja and Saranda on Dec. 15 and 16.

The unrest in the tiny Balkan state apparently grew out of mounting anger over the severe economic problems among workers, who apparently took Alia's decision on pluralism as a sign the government would tolerate dissent.

Alia's decision on Dec. 10 followed three days of student demonstrations for better living conditions and broader political liberalization.

The official Albanian Telegraphic Agency (ATA) said in a dispatch received in Belgrade that a decree approved by the presidium of the rubber-stamp Parliament ''recognizes the right of the citizens to form political and social organizations (parties) or associations.''

The presidum is chaired by Alia and consists of senior members of the

parliament controlled exclusively by Albania's communist Party of Labor.

Under the decree, the government would have 30 days to approve or deny an application for the formation of a new party. Its failure to meet the deadline would mean automatic approval, ATA said.

Political parties are allowed to ''have the necessary property to carry out their activity, their press, as well as to administer the incomes deriving from the membership quotas or other legal sources,'' ATA said.

The decree banned parties that have a ''fascist, racist, warmongering, anti-national character or instigate national hatred'' or ''aim at violently overthrowing'' the constitutional order, ATA said.

Foreign and Albanian citizens who are not permanent residents of the country are prohibited from joining or participating in the activities of political parties, which are not allowed to receive funds from abroad. Such funds would be confiscated by the state, the agency said.

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PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 19) UPI - The Philadelphia Eagles Wednesday placed three starters on the NFC Pro Bowl team, but quarterback Randall Cunningham was not one of them.

Defensive linemen Reggie White and Jerome Brown and tight end Keith Jackson were voted to the starting team by the NFC players and coaches in balloting conducted earlier this week.

But Cunningham, who is the NFC's top-rated quarterback and sixth- leading rusher, was voted to the second team, behind starter Joe Montana of the San Francisco 49ers.

''Joe is a great quarterback and you can't take anything away from him,'' said Cunningham, who has completed 58 percent of his passes for 3,150 yards and 27 touchdowns and run for 828 more yards this year.

White ranks second in the NFC with 13 quarterback sacks and Jackson, who missed the first two games of the season because of a contract dispute, is tied for 14th with 47 catches for 619 yards.

Brown has managed only one sack but he is tied for fourth on the Eagles with 88 tackles this season.

''I've said all along it's not just a question of how many sacks I get,'' said Brown, who had 10 1/2 sacks last season. ''I thought I'd have more sacks but instead, I've gotten more tackles.''

White was named to the Pro Bowl team for the fifth straight time and Jackson and Cunningham each made it for the third year in a row.

Brown made it for the first time.

While the four Eagles said they were pleased to earn the respect of their peers, all said they have their minds on other things.

''I did what I needed to do to get there but that wasn't my main focus,'' Cunningham said. ''My main focus is getting to the Super Bowl.''

The Eagles, 8-6, clinched an NFC wild-card berth with Sunday's 31-0 victory over Green Bay but have lost in the first round of the playoffs for the last two seasons.

''Right now, I'd rather win and take it all the way,'' White said.

Jackson, whose 47 catches rank second among tight ends to the 54 receptions by Dallas tight end Jay Novacek, said he was not surprised to be voted to the team, even though his numbers are down.

Jackson had an Eagles-record 81 catches in his rookie season and 63 last year, when he missed several games because of injury.

''It's who they think is the best at the position,'' Jackson said. ''I wasn't worried about the Pro Bowl. I came back to make the team better. The Super Bowl and the playoffs are No. 1. The Pro Bowl is secondary.''

Brown said it was a thrill to make the Pro Bowl but added, ''I'll be excited a lot more for the playoffs.''

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CHICAGO (DEC. 19) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	80.85	80.85	80.43	80.50	80.95
Feb	76.80	76.80	76.32	76.53	76.88
Apr	76.70	76.70	76.43	76.60	76.80
Jun	74.55	74.55	74.30	74.45	74.63
Aug	72.95	73.05	72.75	72.85	73.00
Oct	73.00	73.00	72.80	72.90	73.03
Dec	73.75	73.80	73.65	73.75	73.75

Est. sales 13,061 contracts; Tuesday 10,213; open interest: 68,343 off 1,260

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	89.00	89.00	88.45	88.75	89.22
Mar	86.55	86.57	86.00	86.28	86.78
Apr	85.00	85.05	84.60	84.75	85.25
May	83.75	83.80	83.25	83.55	83.90
Aug	83.50	83.50	83.07	83.15	83.50
Sep	82.90	82.90	82.75	82.75	83.00
Oct	82.55	82.60	82.55	82.55	82.80
Nov	....	....	....	82.50	82.85

Est. sales 1,509 contracts; Tuesday 1,114; open interest: 11,703 up 213

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	....	....	....	....	50.40
Feb	48.95	49.67	48.88	49.60	49.10
Apr	46.95	47.70	46.78	47.58	47.15
Jun	50.20	51.00	50.05	50.95	50.50
Jul	50.20	50.75	50.13	50.70	50.35
Aug	49.25	49.70	48.95	49.53	49.20
Oct	....	....	....	44.20	44.05
Dec	....	....	....	45.05	44.85

Est. sales 6,528 contracts; Tuesday 6,359; open interest: 23,828 off 954

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	61.60	64.20	61.45	64.10	62.22
Mar	61.00	63.65	61.00	63.63	61.65
May	61.25	63.95	61.10	63.95	61.95
Jul	62.40	63.78	61.40	63.78	61.78
Aug	59.78	61.78	59.78	61.78	59.78

Est. sales 4,828 contracts; Tuesday 5,593; open interest: 12,605 off 362

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 129.94 down 24 cents, 700-850 lbs. 129.16 down 13 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.36 up 2 cents, 700-850 lbs. 118. 90 up 10 cents.

Pork carlot trading very slow; demand very light; fresh pork loins and Boston butts not established; skinned hams sharply lower; seedless bellies not fully established; hams 17-20 lbs. 66.50-67.00, 20-26 lbs. 54.50-65.00; bellies 12-14 lbs. 54.00.

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BERLIN (DEC. 19) UPI - A reduction in child death rates will convince parents to have fewer children, thus curbing population growth and helping global environment as well as reducing poverty, the U.N. Children's Fund said

Wednesday.

The U.N. agency called in its annual State of the World's Children for slashing death rates among children under 5 by one third during the 1990s.

The program was launched after an unprecedented meeting in New York of presidents and prime ministers of 71 countries, assembled to agree on measures to drastically cut the daily deaths of 40,000 children.

UNICEF said economic progress, effective family planning programs and advanced education and health for women contributed to reduce birth rates worldwide.

''Birth rates have begun to fall in almost every region of the developing world,'' it said. ''There is every reason to believe that further falls in under-5 deaths would be associated with even steeper falls in births.''

The U.N. report was released in united Berlin by UNICEF Executive Director James Grant who was joined by German President Richard von Weizsaecker at a news conference.

British movie actor and director Peter Ustinov, UNICEF's goodwill ambassador, was also on hand to assist children programs. Ustinov urged Berliners to participate in efforts to help the world's children.

''Berlin has won a battle,'' he said, adding that, ''Like the children, Berliners also needed to fight to survive.''

In presenting the report, Grant warned also that more than 250,000 children around the world still die of hunger and preventable diseases every week. He said this ''silent catastrophe'' could be overcome with more political will from governments.

Grant said UNICEF had reached its goal set 10 years ago of immunizing 80 percent of the world's children against major diseases, a program that saved more than 12 million lives. But he stressed that it would not lead to a population explosion.

''When parents are confident that their first child will survive,'' the birthrate will drop, he said, referring to the practice in most developing countries to have a large family as a guarantee for survival.

The report cited the example of China, Sri Lanka and India's Kerala region, which has a population of 29 million, in the link between lower birth rates and a sustained reduction in child death rates.

It said economic progress helped to limit a family size in the case of those three areas in the world. It said if social progress is sustained in South Asia as a whole, it would see 5.2 million fewer child deaths a year and 14.3

million fewer births.

''Reducing child deaths can therefore help societies to move towards family building by design rather than by chance,'' it said.

Grant told reporters before issuing the report in Berlin that a drop in birth rates will help reduce human demands on the deteriorating environment.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - America's merchandise trade deficits and surpluses, in millions of dollars not adjusted for seasonal factors, by selected countries and country groups, as reported Wednesday by the Commerce Department:

Country	Oct.	Sept.
Canada	-1,382.3	-1,150.6
W. Europe	-632.2	885.2
European Community	-236.3	1,037.5
Britain	40.7	17.0
West Germany	-892.1	-633.5
France	-107.6	285.3
Japan	-4,453.1	-3,054.7
Aust., NZ., S.Afr.	347.9	202.6
Mexico	-341.3	-219.9
Brazil	-273.2	-104.9
Hong Kong	-481.2	-230.9
Taiwan	-1,104.9	-1,031.8
South Korea	-384.8	-405.5
OPEC	-2,665.5	-2,837.4
Venezuela	-982.0	-637.7
Saudi Arabia	-806.7	-874.0
Nigeria	-588.1	-483.6
Eastern Europe	-99.2	-47.1
USSR	-69.8	-11.9
China	-1,174.9	-1,070.2

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(DEC. 19) UPI - NFL PRO BOWL ROSTERS

(x-denotes starter)

NFC

Offense

Quarterback - x-Joe Montana, San Francisco; Randall Cunningham, Philadelphia.

Running back - x-Barry Sanders, Detroit; x-Neal Anderson, Chicago; Earnest Byner, Washington; Johnny Johnson, Phoenix.

Wide receiver - x-Jerry Rice, San Francisco; x-Andre Rison, Atlanta; Sterling Sharpe, Green Bay; Gary Clark, Washington.

Tight end - x-Keith Jackson, Philadelphia; Steve Jordan, Minnesota.

Tackle - x-Jim Lachey, Washington; x-Jackie Slater, Los Angeles Rams; Lomas Brown, Detroit.

Guard - x-Randall McDaniel, Minnesota; x-Mark Bortz, Chicago; Guy McIntyre, San Francisco.

Center - x-Jay Hilgenberg, Chicago; Bart Oates, New York Giants.

Kicker - Morten Andersen, New Orleans.

Defense

End - x-Reggie White, Philadelphia; x-Chris Doleman, Minnesota; Richard Dent, Chicago.

Tackle - x-Jerome Brown, Philadelphia; Jerry Ball, Detroit.

Outside linebacker - x-Charles Haley, San Francisco; x-Lawrence Taylor, New York Giants; Pat Swilling, New Orleans.

Inside linebacker - x-Pepper Johnson, New York Giants; x-Mike Singletary, Chicago; Vaughan Johnson, New Orleans.

Cornerback - x-Darrell Green, Washington; x-Carl Lee, Minnesota; Wayne Haddix Tampa Bay.

Safety - x-Joey Browner, Minnesota; x-Ronnie Lott, San Francisco; Mark Carrier, Chicago.

Punter - Sean Landeta, New York Giants.

Kick return - Mel Gray, Detroit.

Special teams - Reyna Thompson, New York Giants.

AFC
Offense

Quarterback - x-Warren Moon, Houston; Jim Kelly, Buffalo.

Running back - x-Thurman Thomas, Buffalo; x-Marion Butts, San Diego; Bobby Humphrey, Denver; Bo Jackson, Los Angeles Raiders.

Wide receiver - x-Andre Reed, Buffalo; x-Anthony Miller, San Diego; Drew Hill Houston; Ernest Givins, Houston.

Tight end - x-Rodney Holman, Cincinnati; Ferrell Edmunds, Miami.

Tackle - x-Anthony Munoz, Cincinnati; x-Bruce Armstrong, New England; Richmond Webb, Miami.

Guard - x-Bruce Matthews, Houston; x-Mike Munchak, Houston; Steve Wisniewski, Los Angeles Raiders.

Center - x-Kent Hull, Buffalo; Don Mosebar, Los Angeles Raiders.

Kicker - Nick Lowery, Kansas City.

Defense

End - x-Bruce Smith, Buffalo; x-Greg Townsend, Los Angeles Raiders; Jeff Cross, Miami.

Tackle - x-Michael Dean Perry, Cleveland; Ray Childress, Houston.

Outside linebacker - x-Derrick Thomas, Kansas City; x-Leslie O'Neal, San Diego; Cornelius Bennett, Buffalo.

Inside linebacker - x-John Offerdahl, Miami; x-Shane Conlan, Buffalo; David Little, Pittsburgh.

Cornerback - x-Rod Woodson, Pittsburgh; x-Albert Lewis, Kansas City; Kevin Ross, Kansas City.

Safey - x-Steve Atwater, Denver; x-David Fulcher, Cincinnati; Dennis Smith, Denver.

Punter - Rohn Stark, Indianapolis.

Kick return - Clarence Verdin, Indianapolis.

Special Teams - Steve Tasker, Buffalo.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 19) UPI - The use of two little words - Thirst Aid - has made a

little Vermont company a lot richer and put a dent in the coffers of a much bigger company that makes Gatorade.

U.S. District Senior Judge Prentice Marshall ruled Tuesday that Ouaker Oats Co. must pay $24.7 million to Sands, Taylor & Wood of Norwich, Vt., for violating the New England firm's trademark "Thirst Aid." The amount is ten percent of the profits from Gatorade sales plus interest. A division of Quaker Oats, Stokely Foods, in the 1980s started marketing Gatorade as "thirst aid, for that deep-down body thirst."

There was one problem, however. The Vermont firm, which markets ice cream sundae toppings and soft-drink syrups under the "Thirst Aid" name, owns the trademark.

Frank Sands II, president of the Vermont firm, said Wednesday he has been trying since the suit was filed in 1984 to settle the case with the Chicago-based firm, and even offered to sell Quaker Oats the trademark.

"They weren't interested. They just wanted to take it," Sands said. But he added the money is not yet in hand for the company, which was founded in 1790 and has a net worth of about $200,000.

"We haven't got the money yet." Sands said. "We're very gratified, especially considering the time and a lot of emotional travail, which is part of (Quaker Oats') method."

"Our attorneys are reviewing the opinion," Rob Bottrell, a Quaker Oats spokesman, said Wednesday. "It's a 62-page opinoin, which is being looked at very, very carefully as to what our course of action might be."

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CHICAGO (DEC. 19) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.51 1/2	2.51 1/2	2.47	2.47 3/4	2.51 3/4
Mar	2.63 1/2	2.63 1/2	2.60 1/2	2.61 3/4	2.63 1/4
May	2.70 3/4	2.71	2.68	2.69 3/4	2.70 3/4
Jly	2.73 3/4	2.74	2.71 3/4	2.73 3/4	2.74
Sep	2.80 3/4	2.80 3/4	2.78 1/4	2.78 1/2	2.80
Dec	2.90 1/2	2.91 3/4	2.90	2.90	2.93
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Dec	2.25 1/2	2.25 1/2	2.23 1/2	2.24	2.25
Mar	2.37	2.37 1/2	2.35	2.35 1/4	2.38

May	2.45	2.45 1/4	2.42 1/4	2.42 1/2	2.46
Jly	2.51 3/4	2.51 3/4	2.48 1/2	2.48 3/4	2.52 1/4
Sep	2.52 3/4	2.52 3/4	2.50 1/4	2.50 1/4	2.53 1/4
Dec	2.53	2.53 1/2	2.50 3/4	2.51	2.54
Mar	2.60	2.60	2.58	2.58	2.61

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Dec	1.06 1/2	1.07	1.05 1/4	1.05 1/4	1.06 1/2
Mar	1.14 1/2	1.15	1.13 1/2	1.13 3/4	1.15 1/4
May	1.20 1/4	1.20 3/4	1.19 1/4	1.19 1/4	1.21
Jly	1.25 3/4	1.26 1/4	1.25	1.25	1.26 1/2
Sep	1.31	1.31 1/2	1.30 1/4	1.30 1/4	1.31 1/2
Dec	1.40	1.40	1.38 3/4	1.38 3/4	1.40

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Jan	5.81	5.81 1/2	5.76	5.76 1/4	5.83 1/4
Mar	5.95	5.96 3/4	5.91	5.91 1/4	5.98 1/2
May	6.11 1/2	6.11 1/2	6.05 1/2	6.05 3/4	6.13 1/2
Jly	6.22	6.23 1/2	6.18	6.18 1/2	6.25 3/4
Aug	6.25	6.25 1/2	6.21 1/2	6.21 3/4	6.28
Sep	6.22	6.22	6.16	6.16	6.23
Nov	6.23 1/2	6.24	6.17 1/2	6.17 3/4	6.24
Jan	6.34 1/2	6.34 1/2	6.30	6.30 1/4	6.35 1/2
Mar	6.42 3/4	6.42 3/4	6.42	6.42 1/4	6.47 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Dec	20.92	20.95	20.62	20.65	21.00
Jan	20.99	21.00	20.73	20.74	20.99
Mar	21.30	21.38	21.11	21.13	21.33
May	21.65	21.68	21.43	21.48	21.63
Jul	21.83	21.85	21.65	21.69	21.83
Aug	21.75	21.75	21.62	21.62	21.75
Sep	21.65	21.65	21.53	21.54	21.65
Oct	21.55	21.55	21.50	21.50	21.65
Dec	21.60	21.60	21.45	21.45	21.65
Jan	21.25	21.35	....	21.30	21.60

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Dec	174.50	174.50	172.70	172.70	175.00
Jan	174.80	175.30	172.50	172.70	175.90
Mar	180.20	180.50	177.40	177.60	180.90
May	184.00	184.20	181.50	181.70	184.70
Jul	187.20	187.40	185.20	185.50	188.10
Aug	188.00	188.50	186.50	186.70	189.00
Sep	187.00	188.00	185.50	185.70	188.00
Oct	187.00	187.00	186.00	186.00	187.00
Dec	188.20	189.00	187.00	189.00	189.50
Jan	186.50	187.50	....	187.00	187.50

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PANAMA CITY, PANAMA (DEC. 19) UPI - A green-and-white billboard in the El Chorrillo slum carries the words of Panamanian President Guillermo Endara: ''Have patience. We will rebuild El Chorrillo.''

But one year after the U.S. invasion, which destroyed much of El Chorrillo and left hundreds dead, the ghetto remains a barren prairie of knee-high weeds and empty gravel lots. A few new buildings are going up, but people's hopes have fallen.

''I thought they would build Chorrillo back up, that we would just live a normal life and everybody would get a job,'' said Anabel Brooks, 17, who moved back to El Chorrillo after the invasion. ''But now I see that nobody gets anything.''

El Chorrillo used to be a poor but funky ghetto where salsa blared from the balconies of rickety wood tenements and street hustlers sold beer and lottery tickets. Local hero Roberto Duran learned to punch in El Chorrillo before moving on to world boxing fame. There was also petty crime, drug abuse and rats, but to thousands it was home.

Nestled among the buildings, however, was dictator Manuel Antonio Noriega's military headquarters, the main target of the Dec. 20, 1989, U.S. invasion. During the attack, the neighborhood burned as U.S. helicopter gunships and tanks faced off against Noriega's troops.

Many ''Chorrilleros'' initially supported the invasion. But one year later, they are angry with construction delays and say Endara has done little for Panama's poor. Some are rethinking the merits of the attack.

''We never asked for the invasion,'' said Emiliade Tabia, 42, who runs a soda stand. ''We were hurt by the dictatorship but we are being hurt by what's happening now.''

Some of the 2,800 families who lost homes have resettled elsewhere with the help of $7,300 in U.S. funds. But some say they deserve compensation for relatives killed in the fighting and have protested at the U.S. Embassy.

Panamanian and U.S. officials say aid to refugees has been generous and note that many are moving into better homes than they had before. Compensation for invasion deaths and injuries, however, will not be paid.

About 500 families live in a Panama City refugee camp waiting for new buildings in El Chorrillo to open next year. Those who have already moved back say times are tough.

''Before, there was more action. You could sell fried fish or yucca,'' said Leroy Eduardo Howard, an unemployed Chorrillo resident. ''There is no business now because there are no people.''

Vilma de Quijada, 46, said some refugees refuse to return due to traumatic memories of the attack. Others say the sense of community is also missing.

''Sometimes there would be dances on the streets. Kids would play basketball or just stand around on the street corners talking and hanging around,'' Brooks said. ''Now, you don't see hardly anyone. You don't see your friends. Everybody is separated. This was a ghetto but now it's not because everything got burned down.''

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#90353u1241 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Desperate for life-prolonging treatments for AIDS, activists around the country Wednesday demanded that two promising drugs receive early government approval.

"The basic problem is you have tens of thousands of people failing AZT (the only government-approved drug to fight the AIDS virus) either because it is not working for them or it is too toxic or their bodies have become resistent to it. And these people are in desperate need of access to these drugs," said David Gold of the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power.

ACT UP joined the Gay Men's Health Crisis in New York, San Francisco's Project Inform and other groups in a plea for faster action from the government and the manufacturers of the two drugs - dideoxyinosine or DDI and dideoxycytidine or DDC.

Hoffman-LaRoche in Nutley, N.J., which makes DDC, had no immediate comment on its plans for getting the drug licensed. But a spokeswoman for Bristol-Myers Squibb in New York said the firm plans to submit an application for approval of DDI "in the first quarter of 1991." That means, if previous experience is repeated, it could take more than six months from now for DDI to win full government approval.

The Food and Drug Administration, which took 3 1/2 months to approve licensing for AZT in 1987, could not say how long approval of either new drug would take once the manufacturers submit their applications. FDA spokesman Brad Stone said, "AIDS drugs get top priority, so when it comes time for the agency to take action, they get reviewed immediately."

Both DDI and DDC have been available through clinical trials, as well as through a special expanded access program which has reached about 15,000 people, most of whom have received DDI.

But activists said those programs still leave thousands of patients unable to obtain the drugs, which may be their only hope for surviving longer with the acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

"I am HIV-infected and have been taking AZT for over a year. Recently I discovered that AZT was causing muscle deterioration, a common side effect, and I had to stop taking it. However, because the problem has not reached a serious stage, I am not eligible for the DDI expanded access program. said David Barr, assistant policy director for Gay Men's Health Crisis.

"I should not have to wait until I cannot walk in order to get DDI. There are thousands of other people just like me. We need this drug available immediately so that our doctors can prescribe it before we get any worse," Barr said.

DDI and DDC are chemically related to zidovudine or AZT, but preliminary results indicate neither drug causes the severe anemia that frequently troubles patients taking AZT.

However, DDI is associated with inflammation of the pancreas and both DDI and DDC can trigger a painful nerve disorder in the feet and hands. It is hoped their toxicities can be tempered by using lower doses of the drugs in combination with each other. "What the feeling is now is that enough is known about these two drugs for people to make informed choices," ACT UP's Gold said.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 19) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev said Wednesday he was prepared to impose a state of emergency in any of the Soviet Union's rebellious republics should there be a ''serious threat to state security and lives.''

Gorbachev's warning came on the third day of a key session of the Congress of People's Deputies after his chief political rival, Russian Federation leader Boris Yeltsin, challenged Gorbachev's proposal to concentrate more power in the central government.

''The era of commands from the Kremlin is past,'' Yeltsin said in an address to the Soviet parliament, calling on the central government to step aside and let the 15 Soviet republics run their own affairs.

The three Baltic republics of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania declared independence earlier this year, and all but one of the other Soviet states have passed milder sovereignty proclamations.

''As the chairman of the Russian Parliament, I declare that Russia will not

agree to the restoration of a dictatorship that also does not possess a real political program for the revival of the country,'' Yeltsin said.

Joining Yeltsin in criticism of Gorbahev's plan was Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov, whose post would essentially be eliminated by the proposed restructuring.

Gorbachev, citing ethnic strife sweeping Moldavia and Georgia, responded to his opponents with a reminder that he holds special presidential that he has so far refrained from using.

''In those areas where the situation becomes especially sharp, where there is a serious threat to state security and lives of people, we will have to introduce a state of emergency or presidential rule,'' he said.

''I think in this case, the president will have to assume full responsiblity because my attempts to come to agreement and to act jointly (with the republics) as a rule always end in our inability to come to agreements.''

Gorbachev's remarks followed an appeal from more than 50 conservative figures, including top army officers and the head of the Russian Orthodox Church, to invoke emergency powers to fight ''anti-national and anti-socialist'' forces.

Gorbachev, who was previously granted the power to rule by decree under certain circumstances, is now seeking approval from the congress for a reorganization plan that would create new law enforcement structures and place all government ministries directly under his control.

''No Soviet leader, neither Stalin nor Brezhnev, had such unlimited powers,'' Yeltsin said, adding that overhaul of the nation's political and economic system should be left to the republics.

''The so-called revolution from above for the restructuring of our society is over. The Kremlin has ceased being the initiator of the renewal of our country '' he said.

Ryzhkov called for a delay in Gorbachev's reorganization plan, saying political stability and a new ''union treaty'' outlining the relationship between the republics and the central government were needed first.

The speeches by Ryzkov and Yeltsin came on the third day of a congress session promoted by Gorbachev as a unity meeting. Gorbachev opened the session Monday by calling for greater presidential powers and approval of a voter referendum on a new Soviet federation and private land ownership.

Gorbachev's plan to hold a national plebiscite on the fate of the union is a risky bid to appeal directly to the people, over the heads of rebellious governments in the republics and his own fractious legislature.

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TORONTO (DEC. 19) UPI - Citing the slowdown in the United States economy, the Bank of Montreal Wednesday whittled another quarter of a percentage point off its prime lending rate to 12.75 percent. It marked the second time in eight days that the bank has cut its prime rate.

"The U.S. economy is showing greater signs of weakness than expected," said Lloyd Atkinson, chief economist at the bank, "which has profound implications for Canada's growth prospects." Atkinson added, "It is clear that there is now room for more rapid rate reductions."

Last week, Atkinson said the Canadian economy was dominated by "deflationary forces". He pointed to the rising unemployment rate, now at 9.1 percent, and a continuing slide in housing starts.

Atkinson said he expects the Bank of Canada, which cut its key rate to 12.01 percent last Thursday, to accelerate the easing of a tight monetary policy that has been used to fight against inflation.

The central bank has used high interest rates, which peaked at 14.75 percent earlier this year, to slow consumer spending. The Bank of Montreal is forecasting no growth 1991 for Canada's economy with a slow recovery beginning in 1992.

In cutting its prime rate, the Bank of Montreal has further distanced itself from Canada's other major banks which currently have their prime rates pegged at 13.25 percent.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 19) UPI - A company sponsoring a sweepstakes for an American to win a trip to the Soviet space station Mir produced letters Wednesday from Soviet officials confirming the existence of a contract for such a trip.

Space Travel Services Corp. President David Mayer and Vice President James Donaldson also testified Wednesday before a Harris County grand jury investigating whether the contest violates Texas lottery laws.

Organizers say the contest is not an illegal lottery because it allows contestants to register for the space trip free of charge by mail in addition to calling a 900-number for a $2.99 fee.

"We feel, based on what we know about it, that it appears to be a lottery," said Harris County Assistant District Attorney Jean Spradling Hughes. "And

lotteries are illegal in Texas."

State officials said they shared those concerns. Under Texas law, a contest is considered a lottery if it involves chance rather than skill, offers a prize of value and requires financial consideration to enter. "We're definitely going to look into it," said attorney general spokesman Ron Dusek of Austin.

"I understand the lottery laws, and we're not violating them," Davidson said, adding the contest is still going on despite questions about it. Space Travel Services announced Monday it had a contract to send an American on a week-long all-expenses-paid trip to the Soviet space station Mir.

However, the official Soviet news agency Tass said in a story Tuesday that Soviet officials had "denied" the reports that a U.S. citizen might fly on a Soviet rocket.

Mayer said Space Travel Services has a contract with Space Commerce Corp. of Houston. In turn, Space Commerce negotiated the contract with NPO Energia of Moscow, which makes Soviet rockets.

In a letter sent to Space Commerce Corp. Wednesday, Energia General Director Yuri Pavelovitch Semenov called the Tass report "a disappointing misunderstanding."

"This letter is to confirm our intents, that were signed in the letter dated Nov. 22, 1990. I am sure in the success of our project evolution and completion," Semenov wrote. The contract with the Soviets was negotiated by Houston businessman Art Dula, president of Space Commerce, organizers said.

Space Travel Services said it had contracted with the Soviet space agency for a seat aboard a Soyuz rocket in late 1992 or early 1993. The "guest cosmonaut" will be selected at random in December 1991 by an independent judging organization, the company said. The winner may take the trip or $1.5 million cash, Mayer said.

If the winner opts for the cash, a backup astronaut selected from a group of 20 would be offered the trip. Residents of New York, Florida and Rhode Island are ineligible because of restrictive local laws, organizers said.

Space Travel Services declined to say how much they will pay the Soviets for the flight but said it would be more than the $12 million reportedly paid recently to send a Japanese television reporter into space with the Soviets.

The company hopes to recoup its costs and earn a profit through the fees paid by hopeful cosmonauts who enter the sweepstakes by calling 1- 900-258-2MIR. The line is active nationwide except in scattered rural areas, organizers said.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - Officially, winter is still a few days away, but you can't tell that to residents of Western states from Washington to South Dakota. A brutal Arctic front swept eastward today, bringing high winds that troubled drivers in Oregon, Utah, Montana, Idaho, Colorado and Nebraska. The cold was dangerous in Montana. The lowest overnight temperature was 23 below zero in Great Falls and a 50 mile an hour gust was recorded in Kalispell. Water, rather than ice, was the main concern in Ohio, West Virginia and Indiana where rivers flooded their banks.

More defensive posturing to report from the Persian Gulf as a January 15th deadline approaches. That's the date the U-N has authorized for the possible use of force to get Iraq out of occupied Kuwait. Defense Secretary Cheney and General Colin Powell are both in Saudi Arabia for talks with local leaders and visits to U-S troops. Their numbers already approach 270-thousand with a total commitment of 430-thousand expected by mid-January. Another 220-thousand allied troops are drawn up against Iraq.

The United Nations says the Persian Gulf crisis has hurt the world economy... allowing some oil companies to reap big profits while driving Millions of people into poverty. The U-N department of international economic and social affairs says the Iraq standoff has reduced the growth of global production in 1990 by three-tenths of one percent. It says the impact in the Middle East has been ''immediate and immense.''

The clash continues in Moscow between Russian leader Boris Yeltsin and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. During Day Three of the Congress of Peoples Deputies, Yeltsin declared that the ''era of commands from the Kremlin is over.'' But Gorbachev responded by raising the possibility he might impose states of emergency to maintain order in rebellious republics. 14 of the 15 Soviet republics have declared sovereignty.

A Wisconsin judge today dismissed the sexual assault case against an Oshkosh man accused of taking advantage of a woman with multiple personalities. Prosecutors asked that the charges against Mark Peterson be dropped after the woman's doctors said another trial could worsen her mental condition. Peterson was convicted of second-degree sexual assault last month, but a judge earlier this week struck down that conviction, saying a defense psychiatrist improperly had been prevented from examining the woman.

Texas authorities want to see if last month's auction of a reported copy of Paul McCartney's birth certificate was rigged to inflate the document's value. Charges to that effect have been brought to the attention of officials in Harris County. The charges allege the price was inflated through phony bids during the auction process. Brian Taylor, a student at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia, eventually paid 18-thousand dollars for the birth certificate of the former Beatle. It was authenticated as a certified

copy given to McCartney's parents when he was born.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	377.50	up 0.75
Morning fixing	376.80	off 0.70
Afternoon fixing	378.90	up 1.40
Close	380.00	up 2.50
Paris	378.46	up 0.62
Zurich	378.50	up 1.00
Hong Kong	376.85	up 0.85
New York		
Comex spot close	386.00	up 9.50
Republic cash	384.75	up 9.50
Handy and Harman	378.90	up 1.50

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 380.19 up 1.50 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 399.20 up 1.58 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.095	up 0.135
Republic cash	4.115	up 0.135

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.04 per fine ounce up 0.11

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.05 up 0.100 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.334 up 0. 107

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 410.00 off 2.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 510.00 off 2.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 87.00 off 1.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 102.00 off 1.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90353u1326 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 19) UPI - Widespread selling throughout the day pressured grain and soybean futures Wednesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Closing prices were lower in light, pre- holiday trading.

Traders attributed most of the selling to the lack of specifics for export credits to the Soviet Union. The Agriculture Department official who is working out the commodity mix with the Soviets was back in washington after one day of talks in London. Talks had beem expected to last about three days.

Grain and soybean prices were at or near session lows at the final bell.

January beans were down 7 cents on the day, touching a low of $5.76 per bushel and closing just above that level. Limited trading overseas weighed on soybean complex prices, along with reports the Soviets bought soybean meal from Argentina.

Grain futures ended the day with moderate losses, although corn had underlying support from the sale of 266,000 tons to the USSR.

Commission house selling pressured the wheat, as did a bleak near-term export outlook.

At the close, corn was off 1 to 3 1/2, soybeans down 5 1/4 to 7 3/4, wheat off 1/4 to 4 and oats down 1 1/4 to 1 3/4.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Bo Jackson became a two-sport All-Star and Lawrence Taylor became the NFL's first 10-time Pro Bowl pick Wednesday when the league announced the rosters for the Feb. 2 game at Honolulu.

Jackson, a Los Angeles Raiders running back, will play for the AFC squad against New York Giants linebacker Taylor's NFC team in the Pro Bowl. The teams were selected by voting among the league's players and coaches.

Jackson, who splits time between the Raiders and baseball's Kansas City Royals was named a reserve running back for the AFC squad. Jackson has played in two All-Star games as an outfielder.

The amazing part of Jackson's Pro Bowl selection was that he missed the first five games while with the Royals. He has only 97 carries with two games remaining, but has gained 605 yards for a 6.2 rushing average.

Taylor was voted a starter at outside linebacker, as he has been every year since he joined the Giants in 1981. Taylor last year became the seventh player selected for nine Pro Bowls, but none had ever been picked for 10.

The AFC East-leading Buffalo Bills placed a league-high eight players on the

Pro Bowl squad, including five starters. The Houston Oilers had six players on the AFC team.

The Chicago Bears led the NFC with six selections, with the Giants and two-time Super Bowl champion San Francisco 49ers placing five each. Dallas, the New York Jets and Seattle placed none.

San Francisco's Joe Montana and Houston's Warren Moon were selected as the starting quarterbacks. Montana will be joined in the NFC backfield by Detroit's Barry Sanders and Neal Anderson of Chicago.

Jerry Rice of the 49ers and Atlanta's Andre Rison are the NFC's starting wide receivers and Philadelphia's Keith Jackson is the tight end.

The starting AFC backs are Thurman Thomas of Buffalo and Marion Butts of San Diego. Buffalo's Andre Reed and San Diego's Anthony Miller and Cincinnati tight end Rodney Holman are also starters.

Guard Mark Bortz and center Jay Hilgenberg of Chicago will start on the NFC's offensive line, along with tackles Jim Lachey of Washington and Jackie Slater of the Los Angeles Rams and Minnesota guard Randall McDaniel.

Houston guards Bruce Matthews and Mike Munchak were voted starters on the AFC offensive line. The tackles were Anthony Munoz of Cincinnati and Bruce Armstrong of New England and Kent Hull of Buffalo was the center.

Minnesota placed three defensive starters on the NFC team - end Chris Doleman, safety Joey Browner and cornerback Carl Lee. The other NFC defensive starters were end Reggie White and tackle Jerome Brown of Philadelphia, outside linebacker Charles Haley and safety Ronnie Lott of San Francisco, inside linebackers Mike Singletary of Chicago and Pepper Johnson of the Giants and Washington cornerback Darrell Green.

The NFC specialists were kicker Morten Andersen of New Orleans, punter Sean Landeta and cover man Reyna Thompson of the Giants and Detroit kick returner Mel Gray.

The AFC specialists were Kansas City kicker Nick Lowery, punter Rohn Stark and return man Clarence Verdin of Indianapolis and Buffalo cover man Steve Tasker.

The NFC offensive reserves were Philadelphia quarterback Randall Cunningham, running backs Earnest Byner of Washington and Johnny Johnson of Phoenix, wide receivers Sterling Sharpe of Green Bay and Gary Clark of Washington, Minnesota tight end Steve Jordan, Detroit tackle Lomas Brown, San Francisco guard Guy McIntyre and Giants center Bart Oates.

The NFC defensive backups are Chicago end Richard Dent, Detroit tackle Jerry Ball, New Orleans linebackers Pat Swilling and Vaughan Johnson, Tampa Bay

cornerback Wayne Haddix and Chicago safety Mark Carrier.

The AFC offensive reserves were Buffalo quarterback Jim Kelly, running backs Jackson and Denver's Bobby Humphrey, Houston wide receivers Drew Hill and Ernest Givens, Miami tight end Ferrell Edmunds, Miami tackle Richmond Webb, Raiders guard Steve Wisniewski and Raiders center Don Mosebar.

The AFC defensive backups were end Jeff Cross of Miami, Houston tackle Ray Childress, linebackers Cornelius Bennett of Buffalo and David Little of Pittsburgh, Kansas City cornerback Kevin Ross and Denver safety Dennis Smith.

Johnson, Carrier and Webb are rookies.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 3 point lower across the board.

SUGAR No. 11
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.71	9.73	9.63	9.67	9.70
May	9.79	9.80	9.72	9.75	9.78
Jly	9.84	9.85	9.77	9.79	9.82
Oct	9.83	9.83	9.78	9.80	9.83
Mar	9.90	9.92	9.90	9.86	9.89

Estimated sales: 6,146 contracts
Open interest: 108,149 off 205
World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.69

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday 24 points higher to 6 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14
CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	22.35	22.39	22.35	22.35	22.37
May	22.49	22.49	22.48	22.49	22.50
Jly	22.62	22.63	22.60	22.60	22.64
Sep	22.61	22.61	22.60	22.60	22.62
Nov	22.60	22.60	22.56	22.57	22.63
Jan	....	....	....	22.75	22.66
Mar	....	....	....	22.75	22.51

Estimated sales: 1,092 contracts
Open interest: 11,060 up 184

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - The education official who issued a short-lived ban on scholarships for minorities refused to testify before a House committee Wednesday, prompting an angry protest from the chairman.

The decision to cancel a scheduled appearance by Assistant Education Secretary Michael Williams is ''an affront to the committee, to the Congress and to the American people,'' said Rep. Augustus Hawkins, D- Calif.

A spokesman for the Education Department said Williams cancelled the appearance because, ''He feels that he has said all he can say on the issue and there's nothing more he can add.''

Hawkins said the Education and Labor Committee had scheduled the hearing ''to examine yet another of the administration's policies and misguided efforts to turn back the clock on equality.''

The hearing, which went on with other witnesses, was prompted by a policy decision announced by Williams last week and reversed Wednesday that would have banned scholarships that are reserved for minorities.

Williams initially said that according to his interpretation of civil rights laws and recent Supreme Court decisions, race-exclusive scholarships are illegal. The incident began when Williams gave unsolicited advice to the Fiesta Bowl on their scholarships for the teams playing in the New Year's Day football game.

The decision, which prompted a storm of criticism, caught the White House off guard and, after a quick review, the policy was reversed.

Groups representing minorities and universities called Williams' ruling contrary to decades of legal advice.

White House officials said they were not notified in advance of his ruling and after a barrage of criticism from Cabinet members and top administration officials, Williams announced his new position Tuesday.

''The position that we took is a position that is supported by the law, but there are obviously a lot of different ways to look at this and there is some legal merit to other ways of addressing it,'' Williams said Tuesday.

Williams said his advice to the Fiesta Bowl was legally correct, ''But it was indeed politically naive.''

Under the policy he outlined Tuesday, the Education Department will permit universities receiving federal funds to administer scholarships for minorities that are established and funded entirely by private persons or entities.

Also, Williams said the department has no jurisdiction over race- exclusive

scholarships funded by state and local governments.

However, Williams said the Education Department has determined that private universities receiving federal funds may not fund race-exclusive scholarships with their own funds. He said the schools will be allowed a four-year transition period ''to review their programs ... to assure that any students under scholarship, or being evaluated for scholarship, do not suffer.''

He said he could not predict what would occur when the four-year period has concluded.

Hawkins, in an opening statement at the committee hearing, called the latest policy ''a hoax,'' and said it ''is contrary to the express letter of the Civil Rights Restoration Act.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - Two years ago, Gabor Demszky demonstrated outside the Hungarian Embassy protesting his nation's environmental policies. This week, as mayor of Budapest, he was a guest of honor inside the compound and his attention focused on such issues as pornography, abandoned cars and refugees.

Demszky, 38, is a long way from being a dissident intellectual fighting the communists. He was elected to Parliament during Hungary's free elections early this year that brought Western style democracy. In October, he was elected to the position of mayor of Budapest.

He is in charge of running a capital of 2 million people and has a budget of $1.2 billion. The city employes nearly 60,000 workers. It is the largest enterprise in Hungary.

''My main purpose is - and it is not much different from being mayor of Washington - to improve the quality of life in my city, to improve housing and the environment,'' Demszky said. ''The task is huge. Hungary is in a deep economic crisis with poverty and unemployment on the upswing.''

As a lawyer, Demszky had fought the now-discredited communists for political freedom and pushed for national policies to safeguard the environment. He demonstrated outside the Hungarian Embassy in November 1988 against a project widely seen as harmful to the Danube River.

Today, Demszky is tackling a wide range of problems.

''One of the problems in Budapest is an open and unrestricted display of pornographic magazines in windows that can be seen by everyone - from children to church-goers,'' he said. ''It is an unacceptable situation.''

The situation arose from measures taken to free Hungary's press. Suddenly, it became possible to publish virtually anything. Demszky says he is not concerned about sexually explicit magazine sold privately but that such materials should not be seen by minors and by those who object to them.

Another problem Demszky faces is abandoned cars scattered around the city. His solution is to tow them.

But perhaps the most sensitive issue is a recent flood of refugees from the East, mainly from Romania, where a revolution a year ago toppled a brutal dictatorship. Thousands of refugees, many of them Gypsies, are trying to make their way to the West.

''We don't have the resources to take care of them,'' Demszky said. ''Most of them are economic, not political, refugees. It is a difficult situation.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Gold futures closed Wednesday 940 to 1,020 points higher on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	377.30	387.00	377.30	386.00	376.50
Jan	....	....	....	386.90	377.30
Feb	379.20	388.40	379.00	388.00	378.40
Apr	383.20	392.00	382.70	391.40	381.90
Jun	386.50	397.70	386.50	395.00	385.60
Aug	390.00	393.00	390.00	398.50	389.10
Oct	....	....	....	402.10	392.60
Dec	400.50	401.50	399.50	405.80	396.10
Feb	....	....	....	409.70	399.80
Apr	....	....	....	413.40	403.30
Jun	411.00	411.00	411.00	417.30	407.10
Aug	....	....	....	421.30	411.10

Estimated sales: 35,000

Open interest: 111,520 up 384

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - Congress will be the key battleground over a new city measure holding assault-gun merchants and manufacturers responsible for deaths or injuries caused by the weapons, observers said Wednesday.

The measure, which was signed by outgoing Mayor Marion Barry, faces a review

by Congress before it can become law, under the District of Columbia's unique ''home rule'' charter.

Barry, who leaves office in two weeks, signed the measure late Monday, saying, ''We don't need these guns on the streets.''

The legislation covers a variety of asault weapons, including the Uzi, the Beretta and the Tec-9. Shooting victims, or their families, could recover damages from the manufacturers or retailers.

The city council approved the measure in the wake of record violence in the nation's capital. More than 465 people have been slain in the city this year.

''We are real confident about our chances in court. We're very confident,'' said Bernie Horn, legislative director of Handgun Control Inc., an anti-gun lobby. ''The question is Congress.''

The politically active National Rifle Association is expected to lobby hard, asking Congress to scuttle the measure.

''There's nothing unconstitutional about it,'' Horn said Wednesday. ''There's no decent legal argument against it. The Congress is a fight. I think we can win this fight, but it's a big fight.''

Richard Gardiner, the National Rifle Association's legislative director, said, ''It's an absurd bill. It flies in the face of every notion of justice that we've ever known in our law, by holding innocent manufacturers financially liable for the criminal acts of people in the district.''

Gardiner said, ''It doesn't have a prayer constitutionally. The courts are going to practically laugh it out of court.''

Richard Muchnick, legislative director of the Coalition to Stop Gun Violence, said, ''We've favored his legislation. I honestly don't know what's going to happen in Congress - fighting the NRA is always going to be difficult.''

If Congress allows the measure to become law, ''Our attorneys have told us it shouldn't have a problem at all, constitutionally, in the courts,'' Muchnick said. ''Law professors also have told us it should get through the courts.''

Gun sales have been illegal in Washington since 1976. But there is a steady flow of weapons from neighboring Maryland and Virginia.

Members of the city council said a key purpose behind the legislation was to make gun retailers in Maryland and Virginia think twice about selling assault weapons. City police have confiscated more than 8,000 guns during the past two years and some 70 percent were traced to Maryland and Virginia dealers.

Although strong opposition is expected in Congress, the council said it tailored its measure to garner support from federal lawmakers. The list of assault weapons covered by the city legislation is identical to a roster of assault weapons that the Senate voted to ban last year.

Horn said, ''This list can also pass the House.'' He noted that the House leadership so far has prevented a vote on the issue.

Both Houses of Congress would have to pass a ''resolution of disapproval'' by mid- to late-March 1991 in order to scuttle the anti- gun bill, Horn said.

The city council also softened the bill somewhat by dropping a plan to make all handgun manufacturers liable for shootings and shooting deaths in the District of Columbia.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - unchanged to $6 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.80 cent to 1.05 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.20 to 0.60 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.05 cent to 0.45 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $9.40 to $10.20 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $7.50 to $7.70 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.30 cent to 2.15 cents a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 13.2 to 14.2 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.003 cent a pound lower across the board for a 112,000-pound contract.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

Bonds - Slightly lower.

American Stocks - Mixed in moderate trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Dollar - Lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Sharply higher.

Cotton - Mostly higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1 to 3 1/2, soybeans down 5 1/4 to 7 3/4, wheat off 1/4 to 4 and oats down 1 1/4 to 1 3/4.

Cattle trade - 50 cents to $1.00 lower; top $82.00.

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TORONTO (DEC. 19) UPI - Northern Telecom Ltd. has extended until Jan. 8 its $2.6 billion offer to buy out the ordinary shares it does not already own of STC PLC, a British communications company, Northern Telecom's investment banker said Wednesday.

London-based Baring Brothers & Co. Ltd. said Northern Telecom and its subsidiaries now own or have valid acceptances for 84.2 percent of STC's shares. Northern Telecom has offered 317 British pence ($6.12) a share.

Northern Telecom, a supplier of digital telecommunications switching equipment had a 27.1 percent stake in STC before the offer was made Nov. 8. The offer was to have expired Dec. 18.

The offer was valued at a 21.6 percent above the middle-market price of 269 pence ($5.16) on Oct. 12, the last trading day before STC said it was aware offers were being considered for its share capital.

STC shareholders have the choice between receiving loan notes or cash as part of the offer but the loan note alternative was not made available to shareholders in North America.

The STC purchase is expected to help Northern Telecom expand its operations outside North America. STC was a wholly owned subsidiary of ITT Inc. until

1979 when it went public on the London Stock Exchange.

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UNITED NATIONS (DEC. 19) UPI - The U.N. Security Council, meeting on whether to hold an international conference on Middle East peace, broke up Wednesday in disarray with the United States accusing some members of trying to link the Persian Gulf crisis to the peace talks.

The 15-nation Council postponed the debate until Thursday. It was the fourth postponement in two weeks, but this time China and France opposed the 24-hour delay after abstaining in previous procedural votes.

The council voted 9-6 for the postponement. Also voting against the delay were Cuba, Colombia, Malaysia and Yemen, which adamantly called for convening a Middle East peace conference to solve the Arab-Israeli conflict.

U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering, who successfully used procedural rules to delay the vote, said demands by the non-aligned countries had nothing to do with Palestinians in Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza strip.

''It has to do with the linkage,'' Pickering told reporters after the session adjourned.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said he would withdraw his troops from Kuwait if Israel relinquished the two territories it occupied since 1967. Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2 and is challenged by a U.S.-led, 27- nation joint military force in the gulf.

Pickering said his government supported in its entirety a draft resolution worked out by Finnish U.N. Ambassador Klaus Tornudd, which tried to find a compromise on the positions of non-aligned countries and the United States positions. The Council has been stalled on the question since the Oct. 8 riot on the Temple Mount. At least 17 Palestinians were killed by Jerusalem police.

Canadian Ambassador Yves Fortier said the differences between the two groups were ''tremendously small.''

But Malaysian Ambassador Ismail Razali retorted, ''The differences are not small. There are a few words, but they are very important.''

Diplomats said the idea of the Middle East conference has divided the council in two groups. The U.N. body agreed, however - including the United States - to condemn Israel for deciding last Saturday to resume the deportation of Palestinians suspected of inciting anti-Israeli demonstrations.

The Finnish draft, which is not supported by the non-aligned, made no mention

of the Middle East conference. But it contained most demands by the Security Council dealing with the occupied territories. The newest addition would be for the Council to condemn the Israeli decision to deport Palestinians.

The call for the Middle East conference would be made by the Council's president in a separate statement, thus making it non-binding on U.N. member states. Only provisions in an adopted Security Council resolution are to be carried out.

The prepared presidential statement called for the conference to be held ''at an appropriate time and properly structured'' to help efforts aimed at bringing a negotiated settlement for the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Diplomats said the controversial part in the statement was that the parties to the conflict, without defining which ones, should decide when to meet. The United Nations supports the participation of the Palestine Liberation Organization. But the United States and Israel rejected the idea.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 19) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.41 3/4-2.46 3/4 off 1 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.71 1/4- 5.74 1/4 off 7.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.25 1/4-2.28 1/4 off 2 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.35 1/4-2.38 3/4 off 2 3/4.

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CAIRO (DEC. 19) UPI - Saudi Arabia has suspended all exports of aircraft fuel and ordered it to be stockpiled to ensure the Arab kingdom will be able to supply some 2,000 allied military aircraft deployed in the Persian Gulf, Cairo Radio said Wednesday.

The state-owned radio said the Saudi decision to suspend exports also encompassed other types of fuel, such as kerosene and residual fuel, which would have "strategic value for the U.S.-led multinational alliance confronting Iraq."

Residual fuel is used by industry to run manufacturing plants and by utilities

to generate electricity. Kerosene is used for heating, cooking, transportation and other purposes.

The radio quoted an unnamed high-ranking Saudi official as saying the kingdom, which is hosting some 300,000 foreign troops, "wants to make sure that when (the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait) arrives, it will be ready to supply all allied aircraft, tanks and ships with enough fuel should the need arise for them to liberate Kuwait by force."

Other reports from the gulf said Saudi Arabia had ordered its foreign partners in three joint venture refineries to suspend exports of residual fuel and kerosene indefinitely.

The reports cited industry sources close to the companies as saying Saudi Arabian issued notices Monday calling on its partners in the Yanbu, Rabigh and Jubail refineries to halt exports.

Representatives from Royal-Dutch Shell and Mobil had no immediate comment on the reports, but an oil industry source in Elefsina, Greece, said Petrola of Greece had for some time been seeking alternative fuel supplies.

"I cannot give details, but (Petrola) has been looking around for some time in anticipation of such a move ... let us say it has not come out of the blue," Piraeus, Greece-based oil shipper Evangelos K. Pappaioannou told United Press International in a telephone interview from Cairo.

Early last week Saudi Arabia notified Japanese importers it would suspend shipments of kerosene and residual fuel to Japan until further notice because of reduced production caused by a fire at the kingdom's giant Ras Tanura refinery. Saudi Arabia is the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries' largest producer.

The Saudis have kicked up production to an estimated 7.9 million barrels a day to help make up for the shortfall created by the U.N. embargo on oil exports from Iraq and Kuwait. The United Nations imposed the sanctionsfollowing Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

OPEC assigned the Saudia Arabia an output quota of 5.6 million barrels a day in July, but the 13-nation cartel decided to temporarily abandon its production-sharing system in August to offset the loss of Iraqi and Kuwaiti crude from the world market.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 19) UPI - All Nippon Airways Co. Wednesday announced large plane orders for the European consortium Airbus Industrie and The Boeing Co., including more orders for Boeing's new jetliner, the 777.

Executives at All Nippon's U.S. headquarters said the new aircraft would replace the carrier's aging Lockheed 1011 Tristars. All Nippon placed firm orders for 15 Boeing 777s, valued at about $1.7 billion, and options on ten others.

The 777, which received its first orders from United Airlines in October, will carry about 350 passengers and is designed to fill a market gap between the 767 and the 747 jumbo jet. The first 777s are scheduled for delivery in 1995.

All Nippon also said it was ordering five A-340s, a competitor of the 777, and taking options on five more. The airline placed the value of those planes, including replacement engines and other equipment, at about $150 million per aircraft.

All Nippon said it would use the Boeing planes on domestic routes and the Airbus jets on international flights. Deliveries of the 777s were scheduled for 1995, while the Airbus planes would be delivered the following year, the carrier said. The airline said it had not yet decided what engines to put on the planes.

"Today's announcement is the latest step in a program of vigorous investment in new aircraft at ANA," the company said in a statement. "Management is seeking to position the airline to take full advantage of the growth in demand that is expected to result from the completion of three major airport projects underway in Japan, and to serve the fast-expanding network of international routes that ANA is building."

The order was good news for Seattle-based Boeing, putting it within about $500 million of tying its all-time record for value of plane orders place in one year. For this year, Boeing has received firm orders for 517 planes valued at about $46.07 billion. Last year the aerospace giant set a record, receiving orders for 883 planes valued at about $46.6 billion.

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(For Wednesday)

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1018.3
Tuesday	1024.0
Week ago	1023.0
Month ago	1017.2
Year ago	1059.9
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1007.8

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 6.50
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.00

60 to 89 days 7.53

90 to 119 days 7.41

120 to 149 days 7.31

150 to 179 days 7.20

180 to 270 days 7.10

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.00 - 7.10

Issuers 30 days 7.54

Issuers 90 days 7.23

Issuers 270 days 6.72

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.05

60 to 89 days 7.82

90 to 119 days 7.64

120 to 149 days 7.64

150 to 179 days 7.52

180 days 7.47

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.125 - 7.25

1 month 8.00 - 8 1-16

3 month 7.625 - 7.75

6 month 7 7-16 - 7 9-16

Year 7.375 - 7.50

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 6.62 - 6.60

6 months 6.60 - 6.58

Year 6.48 - 6.46

Federal Funds: High 7 1/8, Low 7, Close 7

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7. 278 off 0.024.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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(DEC. 19) - A remarkable, first-of-a-kind movie shot by the Galileo probe as it raced past Earth earlier this month shows the blue planet spinning in the vast night of space, giving elated scientists a taste of the view they can expect of Jupiter in 1995.

Captured by Galileo's state-of-the-art solid-state cameras, the movie showed the blue-and-white Earth from a vantage point below the planet, a view that included snowy white Antarctica and brownish Australia that extended as far north as Florida and the Persian Gulf region.

As the cloud-streaked planet rotated on its axis in the black night of space, the glint of sunlight off oceans and rivers repeatedly flared into view as entire continents rolled by as if on parade.

While Apollo-era photographs of the planet exhibit greater sharpness in some instances, the Galileo movie marked the first time humanity's home planet has been seen rotating on its axis.

''The movie is unique in the sense it's from a single point in ... space and you see the Earth rotating,'' said Michael Belton, Galileo imaging team leader. ''There have been no sequences of pictures that show the Earth in motion.''

Galileo was launched Oct. 18, 1989, from the shuttle Atlantis on a convoluted trajectory requiring three gravity-assist planetary flybys to boost the spacecraft on to a 1995 encounter with distant Jupiter.

The nuclear-powered spacecraft whipped past Venus Feb. 9 and completed the first of two Earth flybys Dec. 8 at an altitude of just 600 miles. The second Earth encounter, at an altitude of less than 200 miles, is set for Dec. 8, 1992, a velocity-boosting flyby that will finally put Galileo on course for Jupiter.

The Earth movie was assembled by scientists at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., using images taken by Galileo as the robotic explorer raced past on Dec. 8.

As it approached and then receded, the $1.5 billion spacecraft's instruments recorded more than 58 billion bits of data, including more than 2,600 pictures of the Earth and moon and priceless data about the planet's space environment.

As an intellectual exercise, scientists studied the data for evidence of life on Earth. While they were able to see clear signs of biological activity, there was no direct evidence of intelligent life in the Galileo data.

''The accumulated evidence we have from all the spectral data, gas compositions and so forth, would give your hypothetical extra- terrestrial explorer a very strong indication that you had biological activity occurring on the Earth,'' said Galileo project scientist Torrence Johnson.

''The question of intelligent life is more difficult. We don't see anything obvious in the pictures that would indicate intelligent life. Probably the best indication we have that there might be something odd going on ... is in the radio part of the spectrum.''

During a news conference at JPL, Johnson described what an alien scientist would be able to learn about Earth based on nothing more than the flyby data from Galileo.

The alien, he said, would be able to determine the planet's mass, diameter, density and general composition from the Galileo data and gain insights into the structure of Earth's crust. The alien also would see large amounts of water, a few rocky continents and one large ice continent.

In addition, the composition of the atmosphere could be determined, with levels of nitrous oxide, methane and oxygen indicating the presence of biological activity on a large scale.

And the relative concentrations of various gases would imply the presence of intelligent life in the process of altering its environment.

Johnson said scientists would use the Earth flybys to fine-tune Galileo's instruments and ground-based techniques for the upcoming encounter with Jupiter.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - NASA has developed a $40 million plan to fix the Hubble Space Telescope by replacing one instrument on the orbiting outpost and sacrificing another to make room for a corrective device, officials said Wednesday.

The repairs, which would be conducted during a spacewalk by shuttle astronauts in 1993, should restore the telescope to at least 90 percent of its intended capacity, said deputy program manager David Pine.

''The telescope today is the best optical telescope - by far the best ultraviolet telescope - in the world, even with the problems. Having the opoptunity to bring it back to its original pre-launch expectations is certainly very pleasing to everybody,'' Pine said. ''It's looking really good.''

The plan was submitted to top NASA officials this week as part of planning the agency's budget and a decision on whether to proceed was expected by April, Pine said.

The $1.5 billion telescope was expected to revolutionize humanity's understanding of the universe by using a highly advanced optical system to peer deep into the cosmos from its perch high above Earth's atmosphere.

But about two months after the long-awaited telescope was placed into orbit in April, scientists were shocked to discover the instrument's supposedly perfect primary mirror was shaped incorrectly, preventing the telescope from focusing properly.

Although the telescope has proven able to conduct valuable research in its current condition, NASA has been studying various options for correcting the defect, called spherical aberration.

In addition to replacing the telescope's wide field-planetary camera with a new camera built with corrective lenses, the plan calls for the installation of a device the size of a telephone booth called COSTAR, Pine said.

COSTAR, which stands for corrected optics space telescope axial replacement, would contain a structure that would extend out and be positioned between the telescope's defective primary mirror and the telescope's instruments.

The structure would hold five pairs of very precisely shaped mirrors ranging in size from about the diameter of a dime to about the diameter of a quarter, which would reflect incoming starlight to compensate for the flaw, Pine said.

''It would just intercept the beam going into the instrument and do a double bounce and go into an instrument. In that double bounce you would correct most of the spherical aberration,'' he said. ''Right now, it seems extremely promising.''

The major drawback to the plan is that COSTAR - which would probably be built by Ball Aerospace Systems Division in Boulder, Colo. - would require sacrificing one of the telescope's five instruments to make room for COSTAR, Pine said.

Under the plan, the telescope's high-speed photometer - a high-tech light meter - would be replaced by COSTAR, he said. The photometer was picked because it is the most specialized, and therefore the least utilized, device, he said.

Robert Bless, an astronomy professor at the University of Wisconsin in Madison and principal investigator for the photometer, said he was disappointed his device had to be the ''sacrificial lamb,'' but he understood the reasoning.

''You wish there were other alternatives. But given the spherical aberration and the necessity to recover at least some of the capability we were supposed to have from the beginning, it's a reasonable thing to do,'' he said.

COSTAR would help compensate for deficiencies in the telescope's faint object camera and two light-splitting instruments called spectrographs.

All the instruments were designed to be replaced and doors have been built in the back of the telescope to allow spacewalking astronauts to remove them.

In addition, the telescope's energy-collecting solar arrays may be replaced during the 1993 repair job if a vibration problem cannot be fixed new computer programs or modifications, Pine said.

Also, a gyroscope that failed Dec. 3 probably will be replaced, even though the telescope is being controlled properly with backup gyroscopes, he said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	68 1-2	up	1-8
AT&T Company	31 1-4	off	1-8
BCE Inc	34 3-8	off	1-8
Bell Atlantic	55 3-4	off	1-4
BellSouth Corp	54 7-8	off	1-4
Exxon Corp	50 1-2	off	1-2
Ford Motor Co	25 5-8	off	1-8
Genl Electric	56 7-8	unch	
General Motors	35 1-8	unch	
GTE Corp	29 3-4	off	1-2
IBM Corp	113	off	1-2
Mobil Oil Corp	57	off	5-8
Nynex Corp	72 3-4	off 1	1-2
Pac Gas & Elec	24 3-4	up	3-8
Pacific Telesis	46 5-8	unch	
Phila Electric	17 5-8	off	3-8
Sears Roebuck	26	off	5-8
Southern Co	27 5-8	off	1-8
Sthwestern Bell	57 1-8	up	1-8
US West Inc	38 3-4	up	1-8

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - More drug makers will face corruption and fraud charges as part of an expanding probe into ''corporate greed, arrogance and deceit'' in the generic drug industry, a federal prosecutor told a congressional panel Tuesday.

Breckinridge Willcox, U.S. Attorney for Maryland and head of the Justice Department's investigation of the generic drug industry, said ''we have just scratched the surface'' in prosecutions relating to the scandal.

''We expect additional charges of other generic manufacturers and their executives,'' Willcox told a House Energy and Commerce subcommittee.

The prosecutor did not identify the firms or individuals who are targets of the probe. Willcox did say more charges will be filed ''in the near future''

against Bolar Pharmaceutical of Copiague, N.Y., a firm that has had two top executives plead guilty to felony counts stemming from a fraud that generated $100 million in revenues for the company.

Since 1988, the industry has been mired in a scandal stemming from revelations that company executives used cash, trips and gifts to bribe key Food and Drug Adminstration officials to obtain swift and unscrutinized approval for generic drugs. Investigators also found drug makers fraudulently substituted brand-name drugs for their own unproven formulas to subvert FDA tests and obstructed investigators examining the matter.

''I can tell you that the evidence we have amassed presents an astounding picture of corporate greed, arrogance and deceit coupled with a reckless disregard for the health and safety of the consuming public,'' Willcox said.

''I'm not aware of any industry that has been as broadly corrupted as the generic drug industry,'' he added.

Generic drugs are supposed to be chemically equivalent to brand-name drugs with expired patents and are less expensive than the brand-name versions. Generic medications account for up to one-third of the U.S. prescription drug market.

In the wake of the wrongdoing, about 250 generic drugs made by 27 firms have been recalled and more than 100 drug approvals have or are in the process of being withdrawn, the FDA said.

Five former FDA officials, including the former director of the generic drug division; five generic company executives, one industry consultant and three firms already have been convicted on corruption- related felony charges, including bribery and racketeering.

Willcox said the worst may be yet to come.

Committee member Rep. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., asked Willcox: ''Are you saying that the subcommittee should expect more and even perhaps more serious disclosures regarding the conduct of a substantial portion of the (generic) drug industry?''

''Yes, sir,'' Willcox responded, adding the criminal activities were ''not unique'' to the companies already prosecuted and that the ''depth and breadth'' of wrongdoing is ''much, much bigger'' at other companies.

Willcox also criticized the industry as ''indifferent to the unknown risks'' posed by the availability of untested drugs on the market and the ''unknown safety factor on the consuming public.''

Daniel Michaels, the director of the FDA's office of compliance, and another

FDA official faced close questioning on the pace of the agency's examination and its apparent willingness to allow companies to delay any enforcement actions.

Michaels said the agency also was expanding its own investigation into the industry.

''I am not satisfied that we have turned over every rock and our current plans are to intensively audit at least 15 more manufacturers of generic products,'' he told the committee. ''We'll see what we do after that.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - The Treasury Department said Wednesday it will auction $12.5 billion in two-year notes next Wednesday and $8.5 billion in four-year notes next Thursday.

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CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (DEC. 19) UPI - Former fertilizer salesman and white supremacist Byron De La Beckwith was free on bond Wednesday, vowing to fight ''tooth, nail and claw'' his extradition to Mississippi for a third trial on charges he fatally shot civil rights leader Medgar Evers in the back 27 years ago.

Beckwith, 70 and ailing, was reindicted on murder charges in Jackson, Miss., this week after ''courageous'' witnesses provided new evidence in the 1963 case, said Ed Peters, district attorney for Hinds County, Miss.

But Peters declined to the spell out the nature of the new evidence.

Some reports indicate the new evidence may involve a former Ku Klux Klan member who turned FBI informant. Other new witnesses may also include witnesses who can place Beckwith in Jackson at a civil rights rally led by Evers on the night he was murdered.

Evers, 37, was Mississippi field secretary for the NAACP when he was shot in the back by a sniper in front of his Jackson home the night of June 12, 1963, in what became one of the most notorious incidents of racial violence in the South during the turbulent civil rights era.

Beckwith claimed he was at a filling station in Greenwood, Miss., when Evers was killed and called the new charges ''nonsense and poppycock.''

He called the indictment ''just something to to stir up and beat the public drum and incite lower forms of life to force and violence against the country

club set,'' the News-Free Press of Chattanooga reported.

''I was raised in the country club and I don't like the way things are going in Mississippi now,'' he said.

A hearing was set for Feb. 22 on Mississipp's request to extradite Beckwith for trial on the new indictment.

Beckwith was arrested Monday at his suburban Signal Mountain home on a Mississippi fugitive warrant and granted freedom Tuesday under $15,000 bond.

Benjamin Hooks, executive director of the NAACP, welcomed the news of the indictment.

''No trial can ever restore Medgar,'' Hooks said. ''But at the very least, amends can now be made for the mockery of justice that occurred at the first trial. An indictment is, of course, far from being a conviction, but it does open the way for a fresh public disclosure of the true facts surrounding Medgar's death.''

Beckwith's fingerprints were found on the murder weapon, a rifle, but two all-white juries deadlocked and failed to reach a verdict in his trials. In a Louisiana trial in 1975, Beckwith was convicted of transporting explosives into the state.

At Beckwith's first trial, before a judge who was an admitted segregationist, the prosecutor quizzed prospective jurors by asking, ''Do you believe it is a crime to kill a nigger?'' The all-white jury did not convict Beckwith, did not acquit him, either.

The charges were dismissed in 1969, five years after a second trial, also before an all white jury, ended in a deadlock.

Last year, the Jackson Clarion-Ledger reported that a segregationist group known as the Mississippi Sovereignty Commission had screened potential jurors at the Beckwith trials.

Although prosecutors had asked for high bond, Beckwith's attorney, Russell Bean argued that Beckwith had family in the Chattanooga area and was unlikely to flee.

On Tuesday, Beckwith's wife, Thelma, told reporters that Beckwith was nonchalant about the arrest, telling the deputies who came to arrest him, ''It's good to see you, boys. I'm ready to go. I'm not guilty.''

Beckwith reportedly suffers from high blood pressure, clogged arteries and other heart problems.

According to neighbors he spends much of his time gardening and maintaining three rental apartments he owns.

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#90353u1462 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 19) UPI - New financial figures are out today... and they show the nation's output of goods and services expanded by one-point-four percent in the third quarter of the year. That's well ahead of the four-tenths of one percent increase for the second quarter. The Commerce Department figures put the value of third-quarter G-N-P growth at 14-point-nine-BILLION dollars, or 10-point-five-BILLION above the second quarter. But some analysts say the improvement is still NOT enough to change what is expected to register as a decline once the fourth-quarter figures are in.

A nationwide survey of American adults shows nearly 90 percent play Santa more than they play Scrooge by donating time or money- or both- to charities. The survey found that the central states from Minnesota and North Dakota south to Texas are the most charitable, and states in the west are the least charitable. The poll says Americans donate to causes ranging from homelessness to the environment.

Iraqi television these days is featuring programs showing viewers how to cope with aerial bombardments, fires and chemical and nuclear attacks. Previously, the Baghdad government said it would begin civil defense exercises on January 15th, the deadline after which the U-N authorized the use of force against Iraq. State-owned Baghdad Radio today broadcast an appeal from the Iraqi Oil Ministry, urging for citizens to stock up on home heating fuel... indicating that Iraq fears refineries and other installations would be likely targets of any U-S- led attack.

Washington formally is asking China to explain political charges lodged aginst 150 jailed dissidents. Assistant Secretary of State Richard Schifter says the United States wants China to free those merely accused of speaking their minds. Schifter says Beijing did NOT explicitly agree as asked to account for the political prisoners on a ''case-by-case basis,'' but ''they didn't rule it out.'' He says his greatest concern is for intellectuals, students and workers charged with ''counter-revolution'' linked to the Tiananmen democracy movement.

First the Palestinian uprising cut into the tourism dollars being spent in Israel. Now, Israel says it lost 750-Million dollars in tourism revenue since the start of the Persian Gulf crisis in August. During the last five months, hotels saw a substantial decline in the number of guests registered despite offers of special rates and packages to lure tourists. Few guests are expected during Christmas... traditionally a busy time for pilgrims venturing to the Holy Land.

Authorities in Florida say a domestic squabble at a hotel allowed them to

catch up with a globe-trotting European couple who racked up more than 18-thousand dollars on a stolen American Express card. In 30 days the couple traveled from Italy to New York, Miami, Pompano Beach and Fort Lauderdale, posing as ''Anthony Rosenthal'' and his wife. They wound up in a deluxe suite at Walt Disney World's Polynesian Village, where the woman complained about fighting with the man. Police found a bogus one-Million-dollar check in his pocket.

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#90353u1487 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 19) UPI - A health care career might be the best bet for this year's crop of college graduates.

The American Hospital Association Wednesday reported growing shortages among 14 hospital occupations, including physical therapists, nurse anesthetists, practical and vocational nurses, medical technologists, and pharmacists. The AHA said as a result, some hospital personnel directors are boosting salaries to retain and recruit personnel and others are cutting services.

"Hospitals have a growing concern about their ability to maintain adequate services in light of these persistent shortages," said Barbara Bloom Kreml, director of the AHA Department of Human Resources.

"One of the areas most affected is rehabilitation services, because of shortages of physical therapists, occupational therapists, and speech pathologists. Increasing compensation costs make it difficult for hospitals to keep costs in line."

Kreml said hospitals also are contracting out some work and offering more overtime. They also are offering scholarships and loans to students and signing bonuses. The reported shortages followed a U.S. Labor Department projection of a dramatic increase in the need for health care workers before the year 2000.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	306.65	up	1.62
High Technology	329.20	up	3.77
Capital Goods	333.43	up	3.15
Consumer Goods	396.18	off	0.68
Service	725.69	up	3.35
Retail	1,016.67	up	7.16
Financial	352.97	up	1.70
Natural Resources	212.69	up	1.57
Housing-Const-Land	233.05	off	1.18

There was a gain of 5 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS			
New England	415.05	up	2.98
Mid Atlantic	422.80	up	2.85
No Central	406.88	up	0.69
So Atlantic	883.65	off	0.62
So Central	302.22	off	0.32
Mountain	109.72	up	2.79
Pacific	355.65	up	3.71
Foreign	211.54	up	0.92

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Cotton futures closed Wednesday 5 to 45 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	75.90	75.99	75.47	75.74	75.42
May	75.06	75.16	74.80	75.10	74.65
Jly	74.71	74.85	74.43	74.65	74.32
Oct	68.00	68.10	68.00	68.10	67.75
Dec	65.20	65.30	65.05	65.20	65.05
Mar	65.90	....	....	65.85	65.80
May	66.00	....	....	66.40	66.25

Estimated sales: 4,000 contracts
Open interest: 42,712 up 10
The World spot average: 69.92

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2626.73	unchanged	
20 Trans	916.98	up	9.93
15 Utils	211.58	up	0.50
65 Stocks	922.47	up	2.98

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Tue	Wed	Tue
Argntn austral	.000205	.000204	4880.00	4890.00
Australia dlr	.7715	.7708	1.2962	1.2974
Austria schill	.0962	.0959	10.40	10.43
Belgium franc-c	.0327	.0325	30.57	30.75
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0067	.0068	148.90	147.50
Britain pound	1.9304	1.9345	.5180	.5169
Britain 1-mo	1.9218	1.9218	.5203	.5203
Britain 3-mo	1.9043	1.9043	.5251	.5251
Britain 6-mo	1.8819	1.8819	.5314	.5314
Canada dollar	.8626	.8650	1.1593	1.1561
Canada 1-mo	.8602	.8602	1.1625	1.1625
Canada 3-mo	.8561	.8561	1.1681	1.1681
Canada 6-mo	.8460	.8460	1.1821	1.1821
Chile peso-f	.003074	.003075	325.26	325.21
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001935	.001816	516.75	550.53
Denmark krne	.1747	.1742	5.7225	5.7390
Ecudr sucre-z	.001149	.001138	870.68	878.48
Egypt pound	.3564	.3563	2.8062	2.8063
Finlnd mrkka	.2789	.2785	3.5860	3.5905
France franc	.1983	.1977	5.0420	5.0590
France 1-mo	.1975	.1975	5.0623	5.0623
France 3-mo	.1967	.1967	5.0847	5.0847
France 6-mo	.1953	.1953	5.1213	5.1213
Greece drach	.006530	.006504	153.13	153.75
Hollnd guildr	.5997	.5972	1.6675	1.6745
HongKong dlr	.1282	.1282	7.8005	7.8002
India rupee	.0555	.0556	18.01	17.99
Indo'sa rupia	.000533	.000533	1875.00	1875.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7970	1.7917	0.5565	0.5581
Israel shekel	.5058	.5028	1.9770	1.9890
Italy lira	.000895	.000891	1117.00	1121.75
Japan yen	.007452	.007508	134.20	133.20
Japan 1-mo	.007452	.007508	134.20	133.19
Japan 3-mo	.007451	.007508	134.21	133.20
Japan 6-mo	.007450	.007507	134.22	133.21
Jordan dinar	1.5418	1.5415	.6486	.6487
Kuwait dinar	3.4247	3.4247	0.2920	0.2920
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000342	.000342	2925.00	2922.00
N.Zealand dlr	.5915	.5882	1.6906	1.7001
Norway krne	.1721	.1718	5.8100	5.8250

Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	522,050	512,200
P'pnes peso-z	.0365	.0365	27.41	27.41
Portugl escud	.007665	.007631	130.46	131.04
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5803	.5808	1.7233	1.7219
S.Africa rand	.3986	.3977	2.5087	2.5142
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010574	.010526	94.57	95.00
Sweden krona	.1789	.1787	5.5900	5.5950
Switzrl franc	.7877	.7871	1.2695	1.2705
Switzrl 1-mo	.7779	.7785	1.2855	1.2845
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7607	.7625	1.3145	1.3115
Switzrl 6-mo	.7399	.7410	1.3515	1.3495
Taiwan dollar	.0376	.0375	26.63	26.64
Turkey lira	.000352	.000354	2839.00	2836.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6632	3.6632
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0202	.0202	49.59	49.59
Germany mark	.6764	.6734	1.4785	1.4850
Germany 1-mo	.6687	.6650	1.4955	1.5038
Germany 3-mo	.6491	.6464	1.5405	1.5470
Germany 6-mo	.6668	.6668	1.4997	1.4997
Yugosl dinar	.0988	.0979	10.12	10.21

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - Two senators, who reported Wednesday to President Bush on their trip to Saudi Arabia to review Operation Desert Shield, said they were told by American military commanders that a war with Iraq would last no more than five days.

But White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater was not as optimistic, telling reporters ''obviously our commanders feel confident about their strength and abilities, but we would be most reluctant to put days or minutes on it.''

After an Oval Office meeting Sen. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii, said he learned in talks with American commanders that ''if there is a war, it will last no more than five days with all the air power ... the missiles'' and other U.S. military capabilities.

''Absolutely,'' Inouye replied when asked if the commanders in the field believed that any conflict would end quickly.

Inouye said the troops, the commanders and the forces aligned against Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein are ready. ''The question is - is America ready?'' asked the senator.

He added that the United States had accumulated ''the most awesome force since World War II.''

Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, who accompanied Inouye on the trip to Saudi Arabia Bahrain, Israel and Morocco, said that he agreed with the assessment of a war lasting less than a week ''based on complete air superiorty.''

Asked if Bush concurred, Stevens replied sternly: ''We didn't ask for his opinion.''

Inouye, an Army veteran who lost an arm in combat during World War II, is chairman of the defense appropriations subcommittee. Stevens, also a World War II veteran, is the ranking Republican on defense approprations subcommittee.

Fitzwater reminded reporters that the president told a news conference Tuesday that ''we don't intend to have long drawn out'' hostilities similar to the Vietnam War.'' U.S. combat troops spent 10 years in Southeast Asia.

''We want to pursue the course set by the UN resolutions,'' he said, adding he hoped Saddam would ''understand we have the force and we intend to use it.''

Earlier, the president gathered with a group of business leaders to thank them for their support. All reported that Bush appeared confident and personally indicated he had resolved that he was on the right course.

Pentagon spokeman Pete Williams said Tuesday the U.S. forces in the gulf region, which now total more than 270,000, will be prepared to force Iraq out of Kuwait on Jan. 15 - the deadline set by the United Nations for Iraq to comply with its resolutions.

The U.S. force, expected to grow to about 430,000 troops in the coming weeks, is joined by roughly 220,000 soldiers from nations participating in the coalition aligned against Iraq.

On the diplomatic front, Fitzwater reported no progress in trying to set dates for an exchange of emissaries, proposed by Bush, for Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to visit Washington and Secretary of State James Baker to go to Baghdad.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES
NYSE Composite Index 180.35 up 0.16
ASE Market Value Index 306.65 up 1.62
Dow-Jones Industrial 2626.73 unchanged

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#90353u1525 12/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:
Stocks - 180,380,000 shares
1990 to date - 38,799,753,791
Warrants - 1,281,500
1990 to date - 254,776,200

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#90353u1538 12/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:
Wednesday - $54,580,000
1990 to date - $10,662,460,000

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#90353u1539 12/19/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (DEC. 19) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Wednesday - 12,246,000
1990 to date - 2,415,547,000

The market closed higher.

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#90353u1543 12/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index
Wednesday:

High 306.66, low 304.87, close 306.65, up 1.62.

There was a gain of 6 cents in the average share price.

Volume 14,790,000 shares, compared with 11, 960,000 Tuesday.
What the AMEX Market Did
New Highs 14
New Lows 41
Advances 314
Declines 272
Unchanged 279

Total Issues 865

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#90353u1550 12/19/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (DEC. 19) UPI - The driest winter season in 70 years forced government officials Wednesday to declare a 25 percent cut in the water supply to Israeli agriculture and more emergency measures were expected.

The Agriculture Ministry adopted as its conservation slogan, ''a pity for every drop'' of water wasted.

The Agriculture Ministry announced plans to cut by 25 percent, effective Jan. 1, the water supply to agricultural lands, providing 250 million to 300 million cubic meters less water to farmers, Army Radio reported. Gadi Shalitim director general of the Agriculture Ministry, also said the water supply to urban areas would be cut by instituting restrictions, such as watering private gardens only at night.

''It's unthinkable that a sharp cut in the agriculture sector will take place and nothing will be done on the subject of cutting water consumption and waste in the urban sector,'' Shalitim told Army Radio.

Officials said they would decide in two weeks whether to declare a drought or a disaster because of the water emergency.

In Israel, December usually marks the start of the rainy season. But this winter has proven to be the warmest and driest in at least 70 years, when weather-related records were first kept in the region.

Lake Kinneret, or the Sea of Galilee, is near the danger line set by the government as the minimum level, even though the national water company stopped pumping water from the lake more than two weeks ago.

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#90353u1558 12/19/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 19) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	240.00	241.20	240.00	240.40	240.60
Mar	241.60	243.10	241.60	242.15	242.45
Jun	....	....	....	244.05	244.35

Sep 246.45 246.75
Estimated volume: 274 contracts.
Open interest: 1,425 off 64

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	330.00	331.00	329.30	329.55	330.70
Mar	332.30	333.45	331.60	331.90	333.10
Jun	335.10	336.20	334.40	334.70	336.10
Sep	338.90	339.10	337.80	337.80	339.00

Estimated volume: 59,410 contracts.
Open interest: 169,841 up 956

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	180.30	180.85	180.00	180.15	180.75
Mar	181.30	181.95	180.95	181.20	181.85
Jun	182.60	182.65	182.60	182.55	183.20

Open interest: 5,218 up 78
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	551.25	552.30	548.85	549.50	551.85
Jan	553.00	554.25	551.25	551.50	553.90
Feb	553.00	554.10	551.25	551.50	553.90

Estimated volume: 4,182 contracts.
Open interest: 10,607 up 180

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#90353u1579 12/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	371.22	up	1.05	370.42	436.94
Industrial	401.96	up	1.19	399.59	429.82
Finance	359.25	up	0.20	364.26	490.16
Insurance	450.00	off	2.52	452.84	526.31
Utility	481.02	up	4.89	477.42	699.39
Bank	255.05	off	0.48	258.12	379.34
Transport	415.62	up	2.08	407.17	481.18

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44
NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)
NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):
Composite Index 163.95 up 0.48
Industrial Index 160.62 up 0.50

NASDAQ-100 Index 400.83 up 2.30

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#90353u1585 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	386.06	232.36	145.82	23.56	330.05
Opening	385.61	233.41	145.76	23.67	329.87
11 a.m.	386.42	234.07	145.83	23.78	330.56
Noon	385.97	233.79	145.62	23.72	330.12
1 p.m.	385.22	233.47	145.43	23.67	329.51
2 p.m.	385.59	233.50	145.46	23.69	329.79
3 p.m.	386.23	234.15	145.61	23.78	330.36
Close	385.99	234.45	145.56	23.79	330.20
Change	off 0.07	up 2.09	off 0.26	up 0.23	up 0.15

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Tuesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	23.40-23.50	22.80-22.90
North Sea Brent	27.55-27.65	27.40-27.50
West Texas Intermed	28.15-28.20	27.00-27.05
Light Louisiana Sweet	29.00-29.10	27.95-28.00
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	66.65-66.90	66.05-66.20
No. 2 Heating oil	77.45-77.70	75.55-75.75
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	63.90-64.05	63.50-63.60
No. 2 Heating oil	74.55-74.80	72.60-72.75

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board has strengthened its prescription of easier credit to cure what ails the U.S. economy, lowering two key interest rates in two days, but the patient isn't going to respond overnight.

The economists cautioned that recovery from what just about everyone but Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan and the White House is calling a recession depends on whether there is war, peace, or stalemate in the Persian Gulf.

Gulf uncertainties aside, though, economists surveyed generally agreed that a continued lowering of the U.S. interest rate structure will spark or promote a renaissance of American economic expansion by mid-1991.

Typically, economic recovery is led by housing, after construction and sales are prompted by lower lending rates, and consumer spending. But with many U.S. regions sitting on a glut of housing and office space, and consumers overloaded with personal debt, the recovery this time is more likely to be produced by exports, with industry gearing up and retooling.

"By spring I think those effects will accumulate," said Lyle Gramley, chief economist for the Mortgage Bankers Association of America. "My feeling is it's going to be over sometime by the middle of next year."

Somewhat more cautious was Dana Johnson, market analysis chief for the First National Bank of Chicago's capital markets group. "You're not likely to have any sense of improving stability in the economy until spring at the earliest," he said. "At this point, we'd like to see the rate of descent slow, and we haven't even seen that yet."

The economists said the Fed's much-hailed 0.5 percentage point discount rate cut Tuesday was largely a hand-holding gesture, and that Wednesday's lowering of the key Fed funds rate will be repeated in early 1991. "Unless there's a remarkable change for the better, this easing process is going to continue," Johnson said.

The Fed's cut in its funds rate, a bellwether interest rate charged on loans between reserve system banks, brought it down to 7.0 percent from 7.25 percent - 1.25 percentage points below where it stood a year ago.

The last Fed funds easing took place just 12 days before, on Dec. 7, meaning the central bank is speeding the pace of credit-loosening, if not increasing the size of the increments by which it has been easing.

The Fed funds rate reduction came less than 24 hours after a morale-boosting Reserve Board announcement that it was lowering the official discount rate to 6.5 percent from seven percent - the first such cut in four years.

Most U.S. banks haven't yet responded to the Fed moves by cutting their prime lending rates to which many consumer loans are fixed. But analysts see this as inevitable the more the central bank pursues the "Big Easy."

Yet the economists said lower interest rates aren't the only requirement for

turning the economy around. Continued declines in world oil prices and a U.S. export surge fueled by the weak dollar could be crucial too.

"If we were dependent on interest rates and interest rates alone, I would not be as confident as I am that this economy is going to turn around very soon," commented Lyle Gramley, chief economist of the Mortgage Bankers Association of America, based in Washington, D.C.

Favorable resolution of the Mideast crisis "is going to have a very important salutary effect on consumer confidence," said Gramley. That could lead to a surge in purchases of housing and big-ticket consumer items.

In a favorable environment like that, he said, lower interest rates "help a good deal" by reducing consumers' monthly payments on mortgages - adjustable or refinanced fixed - home equity loans and installment debt. "It's a positive effect," the Washington-based economist said. "Not all of it occurs right away (but) some of it begins very soon."

Yet First Interstate Bank Corp. chief economist Jerry Jordan says interest rates taken at face value tell only half the story. Though the funds rate has come down, money market conditions are just starting to loosen up.

"What we've had so far is lower interest rates reflecting an intent to ease," Jordan said. "Their intent has been to ease up, but because they were playing catch-up to the market, it wasn't working." "I don't want (Fed officials) to tromp on the accelerator," Jordan added. "I just want them to get their foot off the brake."

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Citicorp	3,177,900	13 1/4	off 7/8
Manuf Hanovr	2,528,700	22 1/2	up 1 5/8
BankAmerica	2,509,100	26 5/8	up 1 5/8
IBM Corp	2,463,900	112 3/4	off 3/4
Philip Morris	1,845,500	51 1/8	off 1/2
Amer Express	1,837,100	22 1/4	up 1/2
Fed Nat Mtge	1,735,600	35	off 1/8
Battle Mtn Gold	1,715,200	6 3/8	up 5/8
Bristol M S	1,478,700	65 7/8	off 5/8
AT&T Co	1,459,400	31 1/4	off 1/8
General Motor	1,394,100	35 1/8	unch
PepsiCo	1,376,200	26 1/2	up 1/8
GTE Corp	1,367,100	29 3/4	off 1/2

General Elec	1,319,200	56 5/8	off	1/4
Chrysler Corp	1,272,300	14 1/8	up	1/2

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus		20 Trans		15 Utils	
Wednesday	2626.73	unchanged	916.98	up 9.93	211.58	up 0.50
Tuesday	2626.73	up 33.41	907.05	up 11.81	211.08	up 2.52
Week ago	2622.28	up 36.14	915.29	up 10.12	210. 32	up 1.25
Month ago	2539.36	up 9.16	849.85	off 3.15	208.69	up 1.64
Year ago	2687.93	off 7.68	1136.74	off 2.48	233.84	up 0.19
1990 High	2999.75		1212.77		236.23	
1990 Low	2365.10		821.93		190.96	
1989 High	2791.41		1532.01		235.98	
1989 Low	2144.64		887.94		181.84	

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - The discovery of an enzyme linked to breast cancer's deadly spread may open new treatment avenues against the disease that kills nearly 45,000 American women annually, scientists reported Wednesday.

A French research team said it has identified an enzyme produced by the tissue around invasive breast tumors, but is not present near tumors confined to a single, small area.

The enzyme, called stromelysin-3, belongs to a family of proteins that destroy the connective tissue surrounding cells during growth of an embryo. The new enzyme appears to ''eat through'' a breast tumor's envelope of connective tissue, allowing cancer cells to spread beyond the original tumor site and enabling blood vessels to feed tumor growth, said Pierre Chambon, who directed the study.

In addition to detecting stromelysin-3, Chambon and his colleagues from INSERM's biochemistry institute in Strasbourg, France, also pinpointed the gene that carries instructions for the production of the enzyme.

''It is the first gene that has been identified that seems to be clearly related to (breast tumor) invasion and invasion is very important. Usually, a patient doesn't die from a contained tumor - a patient dies from invasion,'' Chambon said in a telephone interview.

About 20 percent to 30 percent of breast tumors detected by mammography are not invasive, while almost all breast tumors found by manual exams are invasive, said Dr. William McGuire, head of medical oncology at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio. If caught in a non-invasive state, breast cancer is almost 100 percent curable, he added.

Chambon said the new findings open ''a potentially new avenue for therapy'' against breast cancer.

One treatment strategy would be to develop a small molecule, perhaps a tiny piece of protein patterned after those that naturally inhibit related enzymes, to block stromelysin-3. Another tactic that Chambon's team is exploring is creating antibodies, possibly hooked up to toxins, to attack and kill cells producing the cancer-promoting enzyme.

Unlike other growth-promoting proteins found within breast tumors, stromelysin 3 does not appear to play a general role in healthy adults, although it can be found in the placenta and uterus, Chambon said.

Dr. John Stevens of the American Cancer Society said the French findings, published in the journal Nature, may offer ''a different angle'' of controlling cancer's deadly progression.

McGuire also called the discovery ''an exciting new lead which deserves a lot of effort and attention.'' However, the breast cancer researcher said he was ''witholding judgment'' about whether it lead to useful treatments, saying it remains to be seen if the enzyme plays a role in metastasis - the deadly spread of cancer beyond the breast to other organs - as well as in localized invasion of the breast.

In addition to possible therapeutic advances, McGuire suggested tests for traces of the stromelysin-3 may provide a new way of detecting breast tumors in early, treatable stages.

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(DEC. 19) UPI - Up to 10 inches of new snow covers mountains in Wyoming today after Arctic cold moved in and wind-chills dropped to 45 degrees below zero. The harsh, wintry weather also downed powerlines in the Seattle area after they became burdened with more than one foot of snow. Winter advisories are posted from Oregon to Nebraska.

More arrests are expected in Mount Vernon, Missouri, where Nancy Cruzon is being allowed to die. She has been in a permanent vegetative state since a 1983 automobile accident and a judge has allowed removal of her feeding tubes. Several protesters who tried to enter her room yesterday were arrested.

A NASA spokesman says the space agency has a 40-Million-dollar plan to fix the Hubble Space Telescope. The repairs would replace one instrument on the orbiting outpost and sacrifice another to make room for a corrective device. The work would be done during a spacewalk by shuttle astronauts in 1993.

Congressman Les Aspin says it appears the Bush administration is aiming to force a resolution of the Persian Gulf crisis as early as February. The chairman of the House Armed Services Committee says the gulf debate boils down to a battle between those who want a quick military solution and critics who think economic sanctions alone might force Iraqi troops from Kuwait. The Wisconsin Democrat spoke during congressional hearings on gulf standoff.

An Iranian diplomat about to end three years of service in Pakistan was killed outside a hotel in the city of Lahore today as he arrived for a farewell reception in his honor. Witnesses say the director general of the Iranian Cultural Center was shot by attackers firing from a passing vehicle.

Federal prosecutors say the union representing Atlantic City casino workers is controlled by imprisoned mob boss Nicodemo ''Little Nicky'' Scarfo. The government has filed a lawsuit that seeks to take over the union... and charges that organized crime has used murder and extortion to maintain control of the local for more than 20 years. Local 54 of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees and Bartenders International Union is headquartered in Atlantic City. It represents more than 22-thousand members in southern New Jersey.

National environmental and religious groups groups have filed a record number of shareholder resolutions aimed at forcing companies to take steps to preserve the environment. The groups say resolutions have been filed with 56 corporations in 17 industries. Among the companies targeted are all BigT-and-T I-B-M, American Express and McDonalds.

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#90353u1610 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

SANTIAGO, Chile (DEC. 19) UPI - Latin America's Gross Domestic Product dropped a half percentage point in 1990 and its per capita income fell 2.6 percent, according to a grim report released Wednesday by the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean.

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Discussing efforts by many nations to cut their deficits and reduce inflation, Rosenthal said that ''governments and societies made a determined effort to correct their marco-economic disequilibriums in the short run.''

Despite ''considerable sacrifices,'' Rosenthal said, the results were ''unsatisfactory.''

He said that while Brazil, Argentina, Nicaragua and Peru made gains in curbing hyperinflation - inflation of greater than 50 percent a month - other countries, such as Chile, Uruguay, Mexico, and Ecuador low ground to inflation although theirs was much less than the other four.

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He said Latin America's obstacles to achieving growth were excessive debt, shrinking levels of incomes and purchasing power, insufficient investment, inflation, and ''fragile'' state fiscal capabilities.

Rosenthal said that Latin America was also affected by a slow rate of growth

for the world economy as a whole in 1990, which the commission estimated at 1 percent.

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#90353u1612 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 19) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6870	up 115
Pitney Bowes pf	154	up 12 5/8
Hall Frank pfB	46 1/2	up 6 1/2
Questar Corp	30 1/4	off 5 7/8
Citicorp pfB	70 1/4	off 4 3/4
PSEG pfU	90 1/2	up 4 1/8
Pioneer Elec	60 1/2	up 3 1/2
Househld Intl pfD	77	up 3 1/2
Utd Telecom pfA	55 1/2	off 3
Rhone Poul Ror	69 3/8	up 2 5/8
Newmont Gold	37 1/8	up 2 3/8

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(DEC. 19) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Wednesday	Tuesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.28	7.37	8.24
91-day Treasury bills	6.79	6.82	7.57
182-day Treasury bills	6.90	6.92	7.39
1-year Treasury bills	6.90	6.90	7.12
3-year Treasury notes	7.36	7.27	7.68
7-year Treasury notes	7.91	7.81	7.79
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.19	8.10	7.84
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.60	8.50	8.59
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.45	9.45	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.57	8.64	8.73
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.90	8.83	8.81
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.08	9.05	9.07
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.10	9.03	9.05

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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MANAGUA, Nicaragua (DEC. 19) UPI - President Violeta Chamorro vetoed the country's proposed 1991 budget Wednesday to prevent a 25 percent cut in military spending sought by ruling party legislatros.

''To reduce the armed forces budget by such a high percentage as was approved by the National Assembly would disrupt the ongoing, gradual reduction of the size of the military,'' Chamorro said in a message read on national television and radio.

The proposed budget, approved last week by National Opposition Union, or UNO, legislators, set aside $58 million for the Nicaraguan armed forces, about $20 million less than the military had requested.

''With the disarming of the Contras, 20,000 soldiers are jobless, creating needs that cannot be met and provoking large social problems,'' Chamorro said.

The government hopes to reduce the size of the military to 29,000 by the end of the year. The Sandinista army was made up of an estimated 85, 000 troops in February.

In her veto, Chamorro recommended that the military budget be reduced by only $8.5 million, which she said would keep total proposed government spending at about $500 million.

The presidential veto won't block the military spending cuts unless it is supported by at least 46 votes in the National Assembly. Sandinistas hold 39 seats in the National Assembly and UNO legislators say Chamorro will not receive the additional seven votes she needs.

Chamorro has been pressured by Sandinistas, who ruled the country from 1979-89 to support the $78.6 million for the armed forces.

UNO legislators said the veto would heighten tension between legislators of the coalition party and Chamorro, who they criticized earlier this year for allowing Humberto Ortega to stay on as leader of the country's armed forces. Humberto Ortega is the brother of former Sandinista President Daniel Ortega, who was defeated in February elections.

UNO gave solid backing to Chamorro in the presidential race, but says she has given in to too many Sandinista demands since taking power in April.

Chamorro has also had to soften plans to layoff government workers amid strong

Sandinista opposition.

Discharged soldiers marched in front of the National Assembly building Tuesday to protest the recommended cuts by UNO legislators. In a letter to Chamorro, the former soldiers asked for jobs, land, Christmas bonuses and six months backpay.

Businessmen called Chamorro's veto ''the most tragic political error'' committed by the president since taking office.

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#90353u1627 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
MCI Comm	(MCIC)	58,096,984	19 3/8	up 1/4
Intel Corp	(INTC)	52,958,696	37 3/4	up 1/2
Apple Comptr	(AAPL)	48,298,044	41 7/8	off 3/8
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	38,866,444	62 1/4	off 1 1/8
AST Research	(ASTA)	38,682,172	33 5/8	up 1 5/8
Quantum Corp	(QNTM)	36,093,264	19 1/8	off 5/8
Tele Comm A	(TCOM)	35,487,980	13 3/4	up 5/8
Microsoft	(MSFT)	33,726,384	74 7/8	off 3/8
Sun Micro	(SUNW)	29,245,908	23	up 3/8
Nat Hlth Lab	(NHLI)	29,071,974	12 3/4	off 1

Composite Index 163.95 up 0.48

NMS volume 114,297,104 shares.

Advances	806
Declines	741
Unchanged	1,225
Total	2,772

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(DEC. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Tuesday	Week ago
New highs	30	25	32
New lows	52	67	62

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	847	90,877,100
Declines	699	65,344,600

Unchanged	483	24,158,300
Total	2,029	180,380,000

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#90353u1636 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	146,211,300
Advances	958
Declines	893
Unchanged	2,339
Total	4,190

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.62	up 0.08
10 Public Utils	93.74	up 0.30
10 Industrials	89.51	off 0.14

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	180.60	180.02	180.35	up 0.16
Industrial	222.85	222.22	222.60	up 0.01
Transport	142.00	141.52	141.99	up 0.90
Utility	92.22	92.06	92.15	off 0.02
Finance	123.27	122.29	123.27	up 0.95

Equivalent to a gain of 3 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 180,380,000 shares.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	371.74	370.14	371.22	up 1.05
Industrial	402.30	400.34	401.96	up 1.19
Finance	361.79	359.11	359.25	up 0.20
Insurance	453.37	448.73	450.00	off 2.52
Utility	482.62	475.61	481.02	up 4.89
Bank	256.18	253.73	255.05	off 0.48
Transport	415.99	411.42	415.62	up 2.08

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	163.95	up 0.48
Industrial Index	160.62	up 0.50
NASDAQ-100 Index	400.83	up 2.30

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share 8.33 up 0.03

Volume	114,297,104 shares
Advances	806
Declines	741
Unchanged	1,225
Total	2,772

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#90353u1673 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (DEC. 19) UPI - Far from home, in a country that has little use for any religion but Islam, U.S. troops are doing what they can to make this desert Christmas a merry one.

From caroling aboard aircraft carriers in the Persian Gulf to planting Christmas trees in the sand, America's 270,000 servicemen and women are determined to observe the holiday the way they remember at home, even if they have to use a little discretion.

For Christmas dinner, the joint military services plan to cook 151, 000 pounds of turkey, 172,000 pounds of roast beef and 34,500 pounds of shrimp. Dessert will be sliced from 34,500 fruitcakes being imported from the United States, according to a menu prepared by the U.S. Central Command.

Egg nog is a certainty, but only the non-alcoholic - and some say, undrinkable - variety, in keeping with strict Moslem laws against imbibing liquor.

Across the desert kingdom, little signs of the season are appearing. Blow-up reindeers have alighted on the tops of tents not far from the Kuwaiti border and stockings are hanging from mess tent walls.

''Hopefully, I'll have a nice dinner in the desert with the unit and relax a little bit, not be so much on the go,'' said 1st Lt. Anthony Super, 30, of Mobridge, S.D., who has a wife and five children at home.

The plans are modest not only to avoid offending Moslem sensibilities but also because the holiday hoopla is bringing on serious bouts of homesickness for a lot of the soldiers.

''I think Christmas is doing more to lower the morale than to raise it,'' said Pfc. David Wilson, 19, Bicayune, Miss., whose wife is seven months pregnant. ''Things are so far from home, people who are getting things from home are getting them a month early or they're going to be late. A lot of people have families and stuff and are used to being with them.''

But there are many who are trying to get into the spirit of the season, in much the same way as they would in Kansas or Oregon or New York, but with slight variations.

Several Navy carriers will hold ''steel beach'' cookouts on the ships' main decks. The USS Trenton will hold a fishing tournament while the USS Guam has scheduled its own version of a New Year's Rocking Eve, complete with a DJ and talent show. The USS Shreveport will hold a Christmas cantata featuring a 10-voice choir.

In the desert, one Army infantry division plans to distribute about 20,000 Christmas stockings stuffed with all sorts of goodies, as well as provide 30 Santa suits for the fattest, jolliest guys in every unit and more than 100 Christmas trees.

Saudi authorities have generally overlooked these manifestations of Christmas as long as such religious symbols as the cross are not openly displayed.

And of course it wouldn't be Christmas on the battlefield without a visit from Bob Hope, who, although well into his 80s, will arrive this weekend to kick off his famous USO tour for the troops.

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#90353u1685 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - The dollar brushed off another Federal Reserve reduction of a key interest rate Wednesday to end broadly higher in New York trading after finding countervailing support in continued war fears. The Fed acted to lower the key Federal funds rate, a barometer of U.S. money market rates, to seven percent from 7.25 percent.

That was the second Fed funds easing step in less than two weeks, and came one day after the Fed said it was lowering the discount rate to 6.5 percent from

seven percent in an effort to lift U.S. economic morale.

Despite that double-barreled interest rate cut, the dollar moved up against all key currencies as the U.S.-Iraqi impasse deepened and Baghdad added to its forces in Kuwait in an apparent preparation for fighting.

"The dollar really did not suffer any serious losses on the back of the rate cuts," said Robert White, a currency vice president for First Interstate Bank Corp. He cited war fears and "year-end lackadaisical trading."

"The discount rate cut was really discounted," said Earl Johnson, a Harris Bank vice president and corporate currency adviser. He said the possibility of a Group of Seven dollar rescue as well as Gulf tensions countered the bearish effects of U.S. economic trouble and interest rate cuts.

Late in New York the dollar was quoted at 1.4780 German marks, up a tick from 1.4775 marks Tuesday, and at 134 Japanese yen, up from 132.70. Britain's pound sterling slipped to $1.9330 from $1.9400.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.2675 Swiss francs, up from 1.2660; 5.0450 French francs, ahead from 5.0390; and 1,118 Italian lire, up from 1,117.

In Europe, the dollar rallied slightly against most currencies but failed to recoup early losses in a market dominated by the deutsche mark.

The U.S. discount rate cut sent the dollar straight into the doldrums at the outset in Europe. Demand for the mark swelled as the Bundesbank warned of the chances of tightening monetary policy because of unification costs.

The dollar took some comfort from investors wary of being short dollar to yen ahead of the United Nations' Gulf deadline. But volume was very thin as the holiday approached, European dealers said.

"There's been very little movement," said currency analyst Martin Kay of the Lehman Brothers London branch. "The markets are dead at the moment."

In Frankfurt, the dollar rallied to 1.4785 German marks, but remained below Tuesday's close of 1.4785. The dollar also closed slightly lower in Zurich at 1.2680 Swiss francs, from 1.2685 on Tuesday.

In London, the pound fell on expectations of lower British interest rates, to end at $1.9330 compared with $1.9350.

In Paris, the dollar fell to 5.046 French francs from 5.0625. In Brussels, it edged down to 30.59 Belgian francs from 30.71. In Milan, the dollar gained a bit to finish at 1,124.35 lire vs. 1,123.10 Tuesday.

In Tokyo earlier, the dollar gained moderately as players looked for Japanese

monetary authorities to follow suit on lower rates. It closed at 133.27 yen compared with 133.03 on Tuesday.

In Zurich, gold closed higher at $378.50 an ounce vs. $377.50, and in London gold finished at $380 an ounce, ahead from $377.50.

Silver in Zurich closed unchanged at $4.00 an ounce. Silver closed at $4.02 an ounce, up from $3.96 on Monday.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $384.75 an ounce, up $8.25 from $375.25 Tuesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $386 an ounce, up $9.50 from $376.50.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.115 an ounce, up from $3.98. Comex silver finished at $4.095 an ounce, ahead from $3.96.

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Latin America was also affected by a slow rate of growth experienced by the world economy as a whole this year, estimated by the commission estimated at one percent.

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#90353u1693 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - The stock market closed broadly higher Wednesday in active trading but the Dow industrials finished unchanged on the day in what analysts described as a listless session.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which surged 33.41 Tuesday, closed unchanged at 2626.73.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index edged up 0.16 to 180.35 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index added 0.15 to 330.20. The price of an average share rose three cents.

Advances outpaced declines 849-687 among the 2,036 NYSE issues traded. Big

Board volume totaled 180,380,000 shares compared with the 176,460,000 traded Tuesday.

Stocks drifted aimlessly as the Federal Reserve, after cutting the discount rate by 0.5 percentage point Tuesday, followed up the easing by confirming it took another step to cut interest rates, nudging the key Federal funds rate lower.

The Fed funds rate, which banks charge each other for short-term borrowing of reserve system funds, is a bellwether of U.S. monetary policy. However, analysts noted the Fed's move did not prompt an immediate move by banks to lower the prime rate, now at ten percent.

"I'm going to be in the camp that says it's been a pretty good showing by the market today," said Sidney Dorr, vice president of institutional trading at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco.

"The discount rate cut had been anticipated for weeks, but it was an extra quarter point than some thought it would be. It helped the market Tuesday, but today there was disappointment that the market didn't perform better yesterday and wasnt stronger this morning," he said in explaining what kept the Dow in check Wednesday.

Most other stocks ended higher, however. Dorr said he could not pinpoint one factor that boosted prices. "I don't think we're getting ready to go to the moon or anything like that but the path of least resistance seems to be to the upside," he said.

On the trading floor, Citicorp was the most active issue, off 7/8 to 13 1/4. The nation's No. 1 bank announced Tuesday it will lose more than $300 million this quarter due to mounting loan losses and urged directors to cut the annual common stock dividend almost in half.

Manufacturers Hanover followed, up 1 5/8 to 22 1/2. BankAmerica was third, up 1 5/8 to 26 5/8 as banks benefited from the improved interest rate environment.

IBM was next, off 3/4 to 112 3/4. According to published reports, IBM told consultants that it has fallen behind on a crucial piece of its Officevision software.

Digital Equipment eased 1 1/4 to 58. The computer company said it plans to invest $230 million in a joint company to be formed with Mannesmann AG of Germany.

Westvaco slipped one to 26 3/4 after its board voted to freeze compensation for its corporate officers at 1990 levels for 1991 and plans to review ways of reducing capital spending in 1991.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T lost 1/8 to 31 1/4, Philip Morris fell 1/2 to 51 1/8, and American Express gained 1/2 to 22 1/4.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 220,666,630 shares, compared with the 214,556,130 traded in the previous session.

Prices rose in active trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index gained 1.62 to close at 306.65. Advances led declines 327-274 among the 884 issues traded. The price of an average share rose six cents. Composite volume totaled 17,565,400 shares vs. 14,798,300 traded Tuesday. Jan Bell Marketing was up 3/8 to 7 3/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 1.05 to close at 371.22.

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ALBANY, NY (DEC. 19) UPI - The federal EPA issued a $78 million cleanup order Wednesday for the General Motors Central Foundry Superfund site in Massena that has despoiled fish and game at a nearby Mohawk reservation.

However, the EPA order falls $60 million short of a cleanup proposal handed up in March that estimated cleanup costs for the automotive giant at $138 million.

EPA spokesman Rich Cahill said the discrepancy came about when the agency deferred its decision to clean up two major portions of the Superfund site: a giant industrial landfill above an inlet of the St. Lawrence River known as "Contaminant Cove" and a smaller site known as the East Disposal Area.

EPA spokeswoman Mary Mears said the project ranks in the "top five" of Superfund sites in the nation, with No. 1 being Occidental Chemical's $117 million cleanup of Love Canal in Niagara Falls.

Traditional Mohawks living on the nearby St. Regis Indian Reservation complained bitterly that PCBs and other contaminants dumped for decades into area waterways by Detroit-based GM, Aluminum Company of America, of Pittsburgh and Reynolds Metals Co., of Richmond, Va., have poisoned the wildlife they depend on for sustenance. GM's industrial landfill alone is estimated to contain more than 100,000 tons of contaminated waste.

The EPA's record of decision comes nearly seven weeks after the state Department of Environmental Conservation ordered neighboring ALCOA to clean up 13 dumps at a cost of $100 million over 30 years. The GM Superfund site contains PCBs and other hazardous compounds known as furans.

EPA Regional Administrator Constantine Sidamon-Eristoff hailed the decision as

one of EPA's "most significant Superfund cleanups." "It affects not only a major international waterway, the St. Lawrence River, but also the adjoining reservation of the St. Regis Mohawk Nation," he said.

"Our first priority in carrying out the remedy will be to have GM remove those contaminants that most directly threaten the reservation and the river," he said. Sidamon-Eristoff said a final decision on the remaining areas of contamination would be announced "in the coming months."

GM spokesman David Lippert said he has not seen the decision and would not immediately comment on the action. "This is a cleanup which the Mohawk people can live with - literally - and it came about through a strong cooperative effort of all parties concerned," said New York Mohawk Council Head Chief David Jacobs.

But Mohawk environmental scientist Ken Jock said his his problem with the decision is the cleanup level for the St. Lawrence River - one part per million - is not "low enough."

By comparison, the recommended cleanup for the Raquette River and other bodies of water on the reservation is .1 parts per million. But Jock added "I think we got as good a cleanup as we could out of this process."

The cleanup plan calls for containment and treatment of surface runoff from the East Disposal Area to prevent the movement of contamination from the site into waters flowing through the reservation.

It also calls for excavation of PCB-contaminated soil from areas on the reservation and dredging and treatment of contaminated sediments from the bed of the St. Lawrence River and other nearby waterways.

According to the plan, soils will be decontaminated using either biological treatment or other innovative technologies. If no innovative technology proves effective, incineration will be used.

The GM decision was nearly eight years in the making. GM was first listed on the Superfund National Priorities List in Sept. 1983 and is one of 83 federally listed hazardous waste sites in New York.

State Environmental Conservation Commissioner Thomas Jorling said his agency supports the federal cleanup plan and said it established "an important precedent for cleanups by ALCOA and Reynolds Metals nearby."

State wildlife pathologist Ward Stone, who was instrumental in exposing the pollution caused by the industrial giants, said it remains to be seen "whether GM will follow through on the cleanup plan over a period of time."

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#90353u1718 12/19/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 19) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 460.44, up 0.30 percent.
This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90353u1721 12/19/1990 ~United Press International
SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (DEC. 19) UPI - El Salvador's annual inflation rate fell to 19 percent this year from 23.5 percent in 1989, registering one of the lowest rates in Latin America, a Central Bank official said.

Central Bank President Roberto Antonio Milla said Tuesday night that the government hopes to bring inflation down to 12 percent in 1991 and launch incentive programs to attract foreign investment.

Labor organizations, government opposition groups and the Catholic Church, however, said 1990 was one of the worst years for the people of strife-torn El Salvador. Labor unions say the inflation rate reached 36 percent this year, which they said was the highest ever registered in the country.

Milla told reporters that the country's economy was improving despite the sabotage of state-owned electric power plants and other infrastructure by rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN. Rebels have fought government troops for 11 years in a civil war that has left more than 72,000 people dead.

Milla said El Salvador's economy grew by 3 percent this year, and the nation's foreign reserves remained steady at $70 million.

From January to October of 1990, the value of the country's exports was $517.6 million, an increase of 18 percent as compared with the same period of 1989, Milla said.

Milla credited foreign aid for much of the country's economic success and said the Inter-American Development Bank recently approved an additional $60 million credit to finance programs in El Salvador.

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(DEC. 19) - Iraq's oil ministry asked people to stock up with domestic heating fuel Wednesday to confront shortages should a winter war erupt in the Persian Gulf, Baghdad Radio reported.

In another indication Iraq was preparing for war, Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported that Iraqi armored columns, tanks and artillery units were being withdrawn from the Syrian border and deployed in Kuwait.

The move was an apparent bid to reinforce the defenses of the occupied emirate against U.S.-led attack, according to the agency, which said some 430,000 Iraqi troops were already stationed in Kuwait and southern Iraq.

U.S. Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney and the chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Colin Powell, meanwhile, arrived in Saudi Arabia to review U.S. troops and discuss strategy with Saudi and other military commanders.

In a further morale-booster, U.S. Vice President Dan Quayle said Wednesday he will spend New Year's Day with U.S. troops stationed in Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield. President and Mrs. Bush visited U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia for Thanksgiving.

Two senators who just returned from a visit to Saudi Arabia met with Bush in Washington and said they had been told by U.S. commanders that a war with Iraq would last no more than five days because of overwhelming U.S. air power.

When asked about the assessment given by Sens. Daniel Inouye, D- Hawaii, and Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said, ''Obviously our commanders feel confident about their strength and abilities, but we would be most reluctant to put days or minutes on it.''

On the diplomatic front, Fitzwater reported no progress in trying to set dates for Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to visit Washington and Secretary of State James Baker to go to Baghdad.

Jordan's Crown Prince Hassan told Amman Radio that he did not think Saddam Hussein would withdraw from Kuwait before a Jan. 15 U.N. deadline, and that peace ''will require a miracle.''

The Soviet news agency Tass also quoted a Soviet spokesman as denying a report in the Washington Post that said the Soviet Union had supplied Iraq with SS-12 short-range ballistic missiles.

Other evidence of war preparations in Iraq included television programs on how to cope with bombing, fires and attacks from chemical and nuclear weapons as well as the radio appeal for citizens to stock up on home heating fuel.

The request to save oil came about two months after Former Oil Minister Issam Abdulrahim Chalabi ordered the rationing of gasoline in October. Saddam later fired Chalabi, saying the rationing order was unncessary.

Earlier in the day, Iraq issued a statement condemning the 12-nation European

Community for its refusal Tuesday to meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Aziz before Aziz had held talks in Washington with Bush.

Some EC countries wanted the meeting to go ahead, but British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd opposed it, pointing out that this would give Saddam the opportunity to say the alliance confronting him was crumbling.

In Cairo, Egyptian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali rejected in an interview published Wednesday that the Gulf crisis was a battle between haves and have-nots. Ghali also played down Iraq's military might and dismissed links between Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and the Palestinian issue.

''It's a conflict between two rich countries,'' Boutros told World News Link of New York, in an interview published in the Egyptian Gazette. ''(Iraq is) the only country in the Gulf to possess oil plus water. They have two big rivers. This is an annexation of a rich country by another rich country.''

Ghali said, ''Iraq's military capacity has been very exaggerated,'' and added he did not think Palestinians were ''linking themselves (to the Gulf standoff) as much as it appears.''

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.99	9.64
Anchor Fund Inv	14.32	15.19
Delaware Mutual	17.11	18.35
Fidelity Fund	16.65	16.65
Investor Mutual	11.29	11.88
Investor Stocks	18.53	19.50
Investor Select	8.52	8.97
IDS Equity Plus	9.05	9.53
MFS Growth Stk	8.94	9.64
Nicholas Income	3.09	3.09
Utd Accumulated	6.01	6.57
United Income	16.49	18.02
Vang Wellington	16.24	16.24

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - President Bush, saying his war on drugs is ''paying off,'' issued a report Wednesday that showed a 44 percent plunge since 1985 in the number of people who use illegal drugs at least once a month from 23 million to 12.9 million.

The National Household Survey on Drug Abuse also found a stunning 72 percent

drop in the past five years in the number of people who use cocaine at least once a month, from 5.8 million to 1.6 million. In addition, it showed a 13 percent decline, also to 1.6 million, the number of teenagers who get high.

There was some bad news, however. The survey of nearly 10,000 people by the Naitonal Institute on Drug Abuse found an estimated 15 percent rise since 1988 in the number of people who use cocaine daily, from 292, 000 to 336,000.

In addition, it estimated that the number of weekly users of crack, an inexpensive form of cocaine, held steady at 500,000. An accompanying study found cocaine-related emergency room cases fell by nearly 10 percent.

Bush said while it is premature to declare victory, ''virtually every piece of information we have tell us that drug use trends are are headed in the right direction - down.''

Democratic members of Congress promptly accused the president of offering an overly rosy assessment, and said his drug war has shortchanged those who need the most help, people in drug-ravaged inner- cities.

Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., said: ''While the household survey is dramaitc proof that the Reagan and Bush administrations have succeeded in reducing casual use, it's equally dramatic proof that they have failed terribly in reducing hard-core addiction.''

Senate Judiciary Chairman Joseph Biden, D-Del., issued a report challenging the federal study's contention that the number of frequent cocaine users dropped in the past two years, from 862,000 to 662,000.

Frequent cocaine users are defined as those who use cocaine at least once a week, and Biden contended that this figure had actually increased, from 2.2 million to 2.4 million.

Biden's numbers, unlike those in the household survey, are based, in part, on projections from prison inmates, the homeless and those living in drug treatment centers.

''The NIDA study ... actually misses more addicts than it counts,'' said Biden.

A spokeswoman at the Office of National Drug Control Policy sought to dismiss the senator's criticism.

''Biden's figures are an overestimate. Ours (NIDA') are an underestimate. The truth lies somewhere in the middle,'' said a spokeswoman at the drug office. ''The important thing is the trend. Overall drug use is going down.''

An accompanying federal survey of emergency rooms found a 9.5 percent decline in cocaine-related hospital cases from the first quarter of 1990 to the second

quarter of 1990. It fell 30 percent since the third quarter of 1989.

Bush, flanked at a news conference by Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan and John Walters, acting federal anti-drug director, said, ''The National Household Survey and the emergency room data are the latest and most compelling evidence that drug use in America is declining dramatically, and, more importantly, it's declining across the board.''

''Most importantly, we are seeing declines among the nation's teenagers, evidence that they are learning to 'say no,''' the president said.

The survey estimated that the overall number of ''current'' users of any drug - those who use illicit narcotics at least once a month - dropped 44 percent since 1985, from 23 million to 12.9 million.

In addition, the survey found:

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DETROIT (DEC. 19) UPI - General Motors Corp.'s International Export Sales division said Wednesday that fleet contracts have been signed between a dealer in Dammam, Saudi Arabia, and three Saudi Arabian leasing contractors for 1,500 North American-built passenger and commercial vehicles.

Dale R. Hermiller, IES's executive-in-charge, said the contracts with its Arabian Motors & Engineering Co. are for the Arabian American Oil and represent their total annual lease vehicle order.

Last year, GM was awarded about a third of their fleet business.

''We enjoy and welcome this increase in business in Saudi Arabia for General Motors,'' said Hermiller. ''We are especially happy with this contract considering the aggressive competition we now face in this region.''

Orders to GM for the lease vehicles from AMECO are expected early next year, with the last vehicle scheduled to be shipped in June 1991.

A separate contract was recently signed between AMECO and Saudi Consolidated Electric Co. for 179 GM North American-produced vehicles.

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CALGARY (DEC. 19) UPI - Tight supply in the United States is drawing cattle from both Canada and Mexico and the situation is not expected to ease until at least mid 1991, an analyst said Wednesday.

Anne Dunford, a market analyst for CANFAX, a branch of the Canadian Cattleman's Association, said the increase in exports of live cattle is a result of strong demand in the U.S. for Canadian feeder cattle.

Feeder cattle exports to the U.S. are forecast to be a record 193,97 head, up 230 percent from 1989, Dunford said. The feeder number easily tops the previous record of 108,000 set in 1985.

Dunford said exports of slaughter cattle are expected to rise to 453, 938 head up 14 percent from 1989.

Strong prices in the U.S. are a reflection of tight supply that's bringing in cattle from both Canada and Mexico, Dunford said.

She said the U.S. was still in the process of rebuilding its feeder cattle herd and would remain a strong buyer of Canadian feeder cattle at least until the first half of 1991.

Exports in 1991 are expected to remain at 1990 levels but could fluctuate depending on whether U.S. demand remains strong and if Canadian production, expected to fall slightly, keeps pace, Dunford said.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 19) UPI - Hughes Aircraft Co. said Wednesday that a $9.6 billion whistle-blower lawsuit brought against it by a former employee has been dismissed.

The suit, filed by Michael C. Denlinger in June 1988 in federal court in Santa Ana, Calif., alleged that the defense contractor had installed and tried to cover up defective integrated-circuit parts sold to the government for various defense systems.

Denlinger, an engineer who resigned from Hughes in January 1989, said that the defects occurred at Hughes' Ground Systems Group facility in Fullerton, Calif. Denlinger had charged Hughes, a unit of General Motors Corp., with $3.2 billion in fraud under the Civil False Claims Act, which automatically provides for trebled damages.

The U.S. Justice Department said last February that it would not join the suit. Hughes moved last month to dismiss the case, saying that the problem - involving cracking of a circuit - had been discovered in 1985 and subsequently solved through the development of new manufacturing techniques.

Hughes said it has also provided extended warranties on its equipment sold to the government.

On a separate matter, Hughes recently received a federal administrative subpoena for records on four of its tactical missile programs - the Navy air-to-air Phoenix, the Air Force air-to-ground Maverick, the Air Force AMRAAM and the Army anti-tank TOW. Most of the work on those missiles is performed at its facilities in Tucson, Ariz.

The basis for the subpoena is not known, but such moves usually come when the government believes it has been overcharged.

Hughes spokesman Richard Dore said the company has until Jan. 3 to respond to the subpoena.

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Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Stock Split				
Sovereign Bancorp - 6-for-5				
Increased				
Ameritech	Q	.85	2-1	12-31
Bangor Hydro-Electric	Q	.32	1-21	12-31
Brooklyn Union Gas	Q	.47 1/2	2-1	1-2
Puerto Rican Cement	Q	.22 1/2	2-14	1-11
Quaker Chemical Corp	Q	.13	1-30	1-18
Rochester Gas & Elec	Q	.40 1/2	1-25	1-4
Special				
Puerto Rican Cement	..	.10	2-14	1-11
Distribution				
Airlease Ltd	Q	.63	2-15	12-31
Amer Real Estate Ptrs	Q	.50	2-15	12-31
Dorchester Hugoton	Q	.05	1-18	12-31
Malaysia Fund Inc	A	.21	1-15	12-31
Sun Dist Lp cl-A	..	.0916	1-31	12-31
Tel Offshore Trust	Q	.2546	1-10	12-31
Usual				
Amer Telephone & Tel	Q	.33	2-1	12-31
Anheuser-Busch Cos	Q	.25	3-8	2-8
Augat Inc	Q	.10	1-31	1-10
Bank of Braintree	Q	.09	1-15	12-31
Convertible Holdings	..	.35	1-11	12-31
DCNY Corp	..	.10	1-15	12-28
Echlin inc	Q	.17 1/2	1-18	1-4
Federal Paper Board	Q	.25	1-15	12-31
Grove Bank	Q	.09	1-28	1-14
Hubbell Inc cl-A&B	Q	.37	1-11	12-31
Mexico Fund Inc	..	.034	1-31	12-31

MGI Properties	Q	.20	1-16	1-9
Pier 1 Imports	Q	.04	2-15	2-1
Pioneer-Standard Elec	Q	.04	2-1	1-9
Plaza Commerce Bancorp	..	.15	1-3	12-28
RAC Mtge Investment	Q	.24	1-10	12-31
Raytheon Co	Q	.60	1-31	1-4
Reliable Life Insu A	Q	.30	3-1	2-1
Reliable Life Insu B	Q	.028	3-1	2-1
Sierra Real Estate ET	Q	.08 3/4	12-28	12-20
Sumitomo Bank Calif	Q	.40	1-25	12-31
Sunrise Bancorp Inc	..	.12 1/2	1-16	1-2
Tech-Ops Sevcon Inc	Q	.07 1/2	1-17	1-2
Tyco Laboratories Inc	Q	.09	2-4	1-4
United Natl Bancorp	Q	.23	2-1	1-15
West Newton Svgs Bank	Q	.04	1-15	12-31

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - More drug makers will face corruption and fraud charges as part of an expanding probe into ''corporate greed, arrogance and deceit'' in the generic drug industry, a federal prosecutor told a congressional panel Wednesday.

Breckinridge Willcox, U.S. Attorney for Maryland and head of the Justice Department's investigation of the generic drug industry, said ''we have just scratched the surface'' in prosecutions relating to the scandal.

''We expect additional charges of other generic manufacturers and their executives,'' Willcox told a House Energy and Commerce subcommittee.

The prosecutor did not identify the firms or individuals who are targets of the probe. Willcox did say more charges will be filed ''in the near future'' against Bolar Pharmaceutical of Copiague, N.Y., a firm that has had two top executives plead guilty to felony counts stemming from a fraud that generated $100 million in revenues for the company.

Since 1988, the industry has been mired in a scandal stemming from revelations that company executives used cash, trips and gifts to bribe key Food and Drug Adminstration officials to obtain swift and unscrutinized approval for generic drugs. Investigators also found drug makers fraudulently substituted brand-name drugs for their own unproven formulas to subvert FDA tests and obstructed investigators examining the matter.

''I can tell you that the evidence we have amassed presents an astounding picture of corporate greed, arrogance and deceit coupled with a reckless disregard for the health and safety of the consuming public,'' Willcox said.

''I'm not aware of any industry that has been as broadly corrupted as the generic drug industry,'' he added.

Generic drugs are supposed to be chemically equivalent to brand-name drugs with expired patents and are less expensive than the brand-name versions. Generic medications account for up to one-third of the U.S. prescription drug market.

In the wake of the wrongdoing, about 250 generic drugs made by 27 firms have been recalled and more than 100 drug approvals have or are in the process of being withdrawn, the FDA said.

Five former FDA officials, including the former director of the generic drug division; five generic company executives, one industry consultant and three firms already have been convicted on corruption- related felony charges, including bribery and racketeering.

Willcox said the worst may be yet to come.

Committee member Rep. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., asked Willcox: ''Are you saying that the subcommittee should expect more and even perhaps more serious disclosures regarding the conduct of a substantial portion of the (generic) drug industry?''

''Yes, sir,'' Willcox responded, adding the criminal activities were ''not unique'' to the companies already prosecuted and that the ''depth and breadth'' of wrongdoing is ''much, much bigger'' at other companies.

Willcox also criticized the industry as ''indifferent to the unknown risks'' posed by the availability of untested drugs on the market and the ''unknown safety factor on the consuming public.''

Daniel Michaels, the director of the FDA's office of compliance, and another FDA official faced close questioning on the pace of the agency's examination and its apparent willingness to allow companies to delay any enforcement actions.

Michaels said the agency also was expanding its own investigation into the industry.

''I am not satisfied that we have turned over every rock and our current plans are to intensively audit at least 15 more manufacturers of generic products,'' he told the committee. ''We'll see what we do after that.''

The subcommittee's chairman, Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., said the panel will pursue legislation next term to reform the generic drug industry. He pointed out that one-third to one-half of the drug production from the industry comes

from firms either convicted or under investigation.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 19) UPI - BellSouth Corp. said Wednesday it has replaced its old electromechanical telephone switching system with a $6.2 billion technologically advanced electronic system for its nine-state region.

BellSouth became the first of the ''Baby Bells'' to reach the all- electronic milestone when the last two electromechanical central offices in the BellSouth region in Louisiana were retired and replaced with the new equipment, known as stored program control switching.

The new system was inaugurated in a conference call between Washington, Atlanta and Birmingham, Ala. Participating in the call were Alfred Sikes, chairman of the Federal Communications Commission; Carl F. Bailey, president of South Central Bell; B. Franklin Skinner, president of Southern Bell, and Hugh B. Jacks, president of BellSouth Services.

The new system enables BellSouth customers to do everything from automatically forwarding calls to conducting three-way conference calls. It also allows customers to reach their choice of interexchange carriers without having to dial extra numbers.

Customers served by BellSouth's 17.4 million lines will have access to services such as call forwarding and call waiting. They can have more than one number on a phone line, with each number producing a distinctive ring. By touching a few buttons, customers can have their phones automatically redial a busy number every 60 seconds for 30 minutes, with the system notifying the caller when the line is free.

Customers may block calls from up to six numbers, select up to six numbers to be forwarded to another number, and automatically return or trace incoming calls.

Among the other new services are telephone answering and voice messaging systems that enable customers to change their touch-tone phones into answering devices and an enhanced 911 service that provides police and fire departments with the address and number of the person calling.

Southern Bell serves parts of Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina, while South Central Bell serves parts of Alabama, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 19) UPI - Lt. Gov. Leo McCarthy announced on Wednesday a state campaign to win for California most of the $10 billion in potential investments generated by the new U.S. immigration law.

Besides encouraging the influx of skilled workers, the Immigration Act of 1990 sets aside 10,000 employment visas for those who invest at least $1 million apiece in a new enterprise in the United States and hire at least 10 workers.

McCarthy said at a news conference that many of those could be coming to California if the Commission for Economic Development, which he chairs, succeeds with its campaign.

''As we move into a recession, the business and jobs these new immigrants create would be a shot in the arm to protect California's economic health,'' he said.

McCarthy said the commission first will assess the Immigration Act's impact in California, then recommend ''what steps California should take to tap into that pool successfully.''

It also will work with California business people, especially those who are former immigrants themselves, to identify potential immigrants who should be encouraged to settle in the state.

McCarthy said the commission will become ''the state's clearinghouse'' and a ''matchmaker'' linking California business leaders and capital- seeking ventures with potential immigrants who are looking for a place to invest.

''The Immigration Act of 1990 opens the door of opportunity for investors wishing to come to the United States,'' McCarthy said. ''I intend to make sure that when they pass through that door, California is right there at the threshold.''

Signed by President Bush on Nov. 30, the act overhauls current law that stresses unification of immigrant families over admitting immigrants with needed skills, which critics say has worked against Europeans. Currently, about 85 percent of all immigration comes from Latin America and Asia.

The new law will increase total immigration from 540,000 per year in 1989 to 700,000 per year in 1992-94.

Immigration based on jobs will increase from the current 54,000 a year to 140,000 per year, with special emphasis on highly skilled workers in demand in the United States. Some of those include doctors, nurses, scientists, veterinarians, electrical engineers, computer experts and therapists.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 19) UPI - A Chicago alderman, a state senator, a former judge and two other political figures who operated in the city's notorious 1st Ward were indicted Wednesday by a federal grand jury on charges including taking bribes to fix murder cases.

Charged with bribery, extortion and other misconduct were a pantheon of influential political figures in the downtown ward, which law enforcement authorities say has been dominated by the mob for decades.

Named in the indictment were 22-year Alderman Fred Roti, 70; 13-year state Sen. John D'Arco Jr., 46, D-Chicago; political fixer Pat Marcy, 77; former Cook County Judge David Shields, 58; D'Arco's brother-in-law and law partner, Frank De Leo, 45. Shields lost his office in the November election.

''This was a group of highly sophisticated fixers who bound together as a unit '' U.S. Attorney Fred Foreman said in announcing the charges at a news conference also attended by Attorney General Richard Thornburgh.

''Whatever type of corruption you wanted you could get, whether it be zoning, fixing murder cases or various other forms of corruption. And this moveable feast went from the 1st Ward to Springfield to City Hall to the Circuit Court of Cook County and the highest levels of the Chancery Court,'' Foreman said.

Prosecutors said more indictments are possible in the case.

''There's no reference in the indictment to any organized crime connections but stay tuned,'' Thornburgh told reporters.

The indictments followed a long investigation that featured surveillance devices hidden in a restaurant frequented by 1st Ward politicians and alleged mobsters. The restaurant, Counselors Row, is across the street from City Hall.

The investigation, originally dubbed ''Kaffeeklatsch,'' now is known as ''Operation Gambat,'' prosecutors said Wednesday. Gambat is a contraction for gambling attorney, an FBI spokesman said.

As part of the investigation, FBI undercover agents posed as corrupt lawyers to feed phony cases into the court system.

''Judges who sell their public integrity for a few dollars disgrace themselves and in the process diminish the rule of the law and the conduct of representative government,'' said Thornburgh.

''Fortunately for the defendants, this case will be decided by an impartial jury rather than a corrupt public official who has been paid off to guarantee the outcome.''

Former police officer-turned-attorney Robert J. Cooley was a major factor in the investigation. He tape-recorded numerous conversations with politicians, businessmen and others, an investigator said.

Roti and Marcy are accused of racketeering, racketeering conspiracy, bribery, extortion and interstate travel in aid of racketeering.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Tom Durkin said Roti is accused of taking bribes relating to a zoning change, fixing a chancery case and accepting $75,000 to fix a Chinatown murder case.

Marcy faced the same charges plus taking money to ''facilitate the appointment'' of an associate judge, fixing the murder trial of reputed mob hitman Harry Aleman in 1977 by paying the judge $10,000 and fixing the attempted murder case of Michael Colella.

Colella, Aleman and the defendant in the Chinatown case all were acquitted.

D'Arco, charged with extortion and tax fraud, is accused of accepting $7,500 in exchange for promising to introduce legislation that would allow a travel company to sell insurance without required state licenses. The legislation never was introduced.

Shields and De Leo were accused of extortion, fales statements and interstate travel in aid of racketering. The pair was accused of extorting $11,000 from Cooley in three payments between August and September 1988 for favorable treatment in a bogus civil case he had filed.

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#90353u1882 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

DETROIT (DEC. 19) UPI - The United Auto Workers on Wednesday called General Motors Corp. ''a scrooge'' this holiday season for once again delaying payment of negotiated increases to more than 240,000 company retirees until April 1991.

UAW Vice President Stephen P. Yokich, in a statement, called the giant automaker ''stingy'' for delaying the increases, which must first be approved by the IRS in April before being implemented.

''One of my holiday wishes is that General Motors would not act like such a scrooge in delaying the pension increases for UAW-GM retirees which were such an important concern of our membership in these recent negotiations,'' Yokich said. ''This is much-needed money that UAW-GM retirees are entitled to under the contract.''

GM said, however, that it has never advanced a pension increase payment prior to IRS approval, and that its contract with the UAW specifies that IRS approval is needed before they can be paid.

''We regret that Mr. Yokich views this matter as a calculated decision to delay such payments for our UAW retirees,'' GM said. ''UAW retirees were notified in their December pension checks that the impending increases would be retroactively paid beginning in the customary April to May timeframe.

But Yokich, head of the UAW's GM Department and the union's chief negotiator in this summer's bargaining for a new three-year labor pact, said approval by the IRS has never been withheld.

''GM is using the formality of the IRS approval of these increases as an excuse for their stingy behavior,'' Yokich said. ''They know that the IRS has routinely approved these increases without any problems.

A request by the UAW-GM Benefits Department for prompt payment of the increases was denied by GM, prompting Yokich to send a letter to GM Chairman Robert Stempel to reconsider the decision.

''For a retired person on a fixed income, these pension increases could make the holiday season very bright,'' he said.

UAW spokesman Reg McGhee said Ford Motor Co. paid its retirees pension increases this month under its contract with the union, and that Chrysler Corp. is expected to make similar payments in January.

For GM retirees with 30 years of service, those increases range from $37.50 to $300 a month, depending on age and retirement date. The pension increases for UAW retirees at GM were negotiated as part of the new 1990 agreement which took effect on Oct. 1, 1990.

For future retirees, the basic benefits were raised by $4.45 a month per year of credited service, with monthly benefits for those with 30 years of service rising to a total $1,800 a month.

The full package of pension increases negotiated under the latest GM- UAW contract will cost GM an extra $1.46 billion, the union said. In 1990, GM paid out more than $1.6 billion in pensions to its UAW retirees, the most for any corporation in the world.

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#90353u1950 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 19) UPI - A new study released Wednesday said that 43 journalists were killed on the job in 1990 worldwide, including seven during political turmoil in the Philippines and six in the Colombian drug wars.

According to the Freedom House study, the number of journalists killed on the job this year did not include 16 others who were kidnapped and never heard

from again.

The study said that there were 40 fewer journalists killed in 1990 than in 1989, but 18 more were kidnapped.

One of those killed was Farzad Bazoft, a British reporter arrested by the Iraqi government while investigating an explosion at a military complex. He was charged with spying and despite international protests, he was hanged.

The report also noted that 1990 was the year official government censorship ended in Eastern Europe.

When communism disappeared in countries like Poland there was little knowledge of how to operate a free press. As a result, journalists sometimes practice self-censorship.

The new papers, which have replaced the old Communist Party publications, are usually affiliated with the political groups and tend to follow a political viewpoint.

There are reminders that the central governments still haven't totally yielded their influence over the press.

In the Soviet Union, the Parliament passed a law abolioshing official censorship. But it also passed measures limiting press freedom, including one that carries a six-year prison term for slandering the Soviet president.

The report said the new press in Eastern Europe is financially frail and subject to government rules such as limits on newsprint for journals that become too independent.

The study reviwed 157 countries and determined that 61 operate with a free press, an improvement over last year's 56 countries.

One of the more dramatic improvements occurred in South Africa, which already had a partial free press. New papers have sprung up and Johannesburg now has six morning dailes, more than any city in the United States.

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#90353u1954 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 19) UPI - President Bush says a new federal study proves his war on drugs is ''paying off,'' but Senate Democrats released their own study which they say finds that the number of frequent cocaine users actually increased during the past year.

A federal grand jury today indicted a Chicago alderman, an Illinois state senator, a former judge and two other people caught in a major undercover

investigation. The indictments charge bribery, extortion and other miscoduct.

AIDS activists are demanding that the government approve two promising drugs for treatment of the deadly syndrome. An F-D-A spokesman says ''AIDS drugs get top priority,'' but that the approval process takes several months.

A second crash involving a Greyhound bus. This time, at least two buses crashed on a highway near Yermo, California... about 10 miles north of Barstow on Interstate 15. Authorities say several people are injured.

That word comes one day after yesterday's accident in which a Greyhound bus and two big-rig trucks collided on Interstate 80 near Utah's border with Wyoming, killing seven people and injuring 41 others.

President Gorbachev says he's prepared to clamp down a state of emergency in any of the Soviet Union's rebellious republics if there is any ''serious threat to state security and lives.'' Most of the republics are fighting to run their own governments.

A company offering a telephone sweepstakes trip to the Soviet space station today produced letters from Soviet officials confirming the existence of a contract for such a trip. A Harris County grand jury is deciding whether the contest violates Texas lottery laws.

The N-double-A-C-P in Miami today filed an employment discrimination complaint against a Lord and Taylor department store. The rights group accused the store of illegally eliminating qualified blacks from its payroll.

A fur retailer in New York says animal rights activists are partly to blame for his filing bankruptcy. The company operates primarily through concessions at department stores and says it's more than 10-Million dollars in the hole.

The fast-food chain Carl's Junior says it will ban smoking in all of its 426 company-owned restaurants on January 1st to create a ''healthier atmosphere.'' Carl's would be the first fast-food chain to ban smoking.

Something was fishy in Belgium today. French fishermen caused a traffic jam in Brussels when they dumped 15 tons of herring and sardines in front of the building where European Community ministers meet. It was a protest against an E-C plan to lower fishing quotas for 1991.

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#90353u1957 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

PHOENIX (DEC. 19) UPI - Attorney General Bob Corbin, saying unspecified new evidence has been uncovered, announced Wednesday murder charges have been refiled against Max Dunlap in the 1976 slaying of newspaper reporter Don Bolles.

Dunlap, 61, a land developer, and James Robison, 68, were convicted of Bolles' murder in 1977, largely on testimony from John Harvey Adamson. The convictions were overturned on a technicality and when prosecutors sought a retrial, Adamson refused to testify.

Adamson was convicted of first-degree murder in the slaying and is serving a life sentence. He now has agreed to testify against Robison and Dunlap in return for a reduction of his sentence to 20 years and 2 months, Assistant Attorney General Judson Roberts said.

Robison was recharged in November 1989 with Bolles' murder. That case is still pending. He is in prison on an unrelated charge of assaulting a talent agent.

Corbin, while declining to discuss the new evidence, said he feels prosecutors have ''an excellent and a stronger case.''

Bolles, a reporter for the Arizona Republic, was gravely injured in the bombing of his car June 2, 1976, and died 11 days later. No motive has ever been disclosed in the murder.

Corbin said he also filed additional charges Wednesday involving an alleged plot for Dunlap to pay Robison not to testify against him in the Bolles case. The charges include conspiring to obstruct a criminal investigation, conspiring to influence a witness, and conspiracy to receive a bribe by a witness.

Robison and Dunlap were ordered to appear for arraignment Jan. 3.

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#90353u1967 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 19) UPI - Automotive wheelmaker Superior Industries said Wednesday that it will close its plant in Newmarket, Ontario, idling about 180 workers within the next 90 days because the facility is outmoded.

Superior said that production at the plant, which it bought in 1983, would be transferred to ''state-of-the-art'' facilities in Rodgers, Ark. , and Pittsburg, Kan. Current production from the Ontario plant was 400, 000 wheels annually of the company's more than 7 million capacity.

Superior also announced it was halting several product lines, primarily in the recreation vehicle/light truck accessory line, where sales and profits have been declining for the past several years. As a result, Superior will report a fourth-quarter pre-tax charge of about $5 million.

Superior's stock rose 50 cents to $20.25 Wednesday on the New York Stock Exchange.

Superior earned $11.9 million on sales of $206 million for the first nine months of the year.

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#90353u2002 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 19) - With winter several days away, a brutally cold Arctic front swept the West Wednesday, bringing wind-chill factors of minus 45 degrees, while rivers flooded their banks in the Midwest following a day of heavy rain.

Winter weather advisories were up from Washington to South Dakota as snow and high winds hit Oregon, Utah, Montana, Idaho, Colorado and Nebraska, making driving dangerous.

Two people were killed east of Portland, Ore., when their car slid out of control on an icy road and struck a bus. The driver and passenger of the car were killed, but there were no serious injuries on the bus, police said.

Seattle, where residents are accustomed to getting their precipitation in the form of drops rather than flakes, was struggling after the cold front brought plunging temperatures, 75-mph gusts and more than a foot of snow.

Most major school systems were closed Wednesday to start the Christmas vacation early and many businesses were closed or operating with skeleton staffs. What little traffic there was slowed to a crawl on ice-coated thoroughfares.

''We are now hoping for a little sun to do some melting to clear the roads a bit,'' said Mark Murray, a spokesman for Mayor Norm Rice. ''The worst seems to be over but it has been quite a 24-hour period.''

Idaho and Montana also suffered through some of the harshest weather. In addition to 1 to 3 inches of new snow, Idaho residents had to contend with winds of 30 mph to 50 mph and temperatures in the zero to 20-degree range.

The cold was dangerous in Montana. The lowest overnight temperature was 23 below zero in Great Falls and a 50-mph gust was recorded in Kalispell. High temperatures Wednesday were expected to be only 10 below to 20 below with 35-mph winds driving the wind chill factor down to 70 below. In the southwestern part of the state, winds created visibility problems by swirling the fallen snow.

The National Weather Service said the worst snowfall in Washington was probably over but predicted temperatures would get no higher than in the mid-20s for at least two or three days. With winds gusting to 25 mph or more, wind chill factors would be below zero in may areas, the weather service said.

Normal winter temperatures on the west side of the Cascade Mountains usually range between 35 and 45 degrees, and most cities in the region are not well-equipped to handle severe winter conditions.

''I'm from Minneapolis, and I've never seen a city crippled by a few inches of snow,'' laughed a woman named Jenny at a Red Robin restaurant in downtown Seattle.

A Seattle city spokeswoman said by Wednesday morning the city had used about $90,000 of its $100,000 road-clearing budget, but said city officials would find money ''somewhere'' to continue plowing and sanding efforts.

Seattle City Light spokesman Scott Forslund said up to 18,000 customers were without power during the night when a number of major power lines were knocked out, but only about 1,500 customers were still without power by dawn. However, in Kitsap County west of Puget Sound, up to 45,000 people were without power.

The rough weather stretched as far east as South Dakota, where light snow was falling and temperatures dropped to minus 7 degrees with winds gusting to 30 mph.

Water rather than ice was the main concern in Ohio, West Virginia and Indiana where rivers flooded their banks, sending water flowing over low-lying areas.

The Ohio River along the Ohio-West Virgina border was over its banks in several places but the flooding was minor as engineers adjusted the flow to control heavy runoff and to help 20 barges in trouble at the Gallipolis Dam.

In Ohio, flood warnings were issued in several places along the Great Miami and Scioto rivers but water rose only slightly above flood stage.

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#90353u2181 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 19) UPI - At least 12 people were injured today in a crash involving at least 10 vehicles near Yerma, California. Authorities say Interstate 15 about 10 miles north of Barstow was shrouded by a desert sandstorm when the crash occurred, involving two Greyhound buses, a semi-truck and at least seven other vehicles. The buses were traveling north toward Las Vegas. A bus and truck accident in bad weather yesterday killed seven people near the Utah-Wyoming border.

The federal government today ordered the Immigration and Naturalization Services to stop the deportation of all Salvadoran and Guatemalan refugees in the United States. The order also calls for re- consideration of about one-half-Million claims for political asylum stemming back to 1980. A lawyer speaking on behalf of the refugees says today's agreement with the nation's sanctuary movement ''will severely limit the role of the State Department in

future political asylum decisions.'' Another spokesman says ''Many of these people were forced to go home to face death and torture,'' and today's agreement is a ''victory for the Salvadoran and Guatamalan refugees who came here looking for freedom.''

White supremacist Byron De La Beckwith is free on bond in Tennessee today... vowing to fight ''tooth, nail and claw'' against extradition to Mississippi for a third trial on charges he killed civil rights leader Medgar Evers in 1963. The 70-year-old Beckwith was re-indicted on murder charges in Jackson, Mississippi, this week after witnesses provided UNdisclosed new evidence. Evers was working for the N-double-A-C-P in Jackson when a sniper shot him in the back. Beckwith says he was at a gas station in another town at the time of the slaying. An extradition hearing is set for February 22nd.

For a second straight day, demonstrators have been removed from a Missouri hospital where a comatose woman is being allowed to die. Half a dozen protesters entered the Mount Vernon hospital and laid down on hallway floors. Workers lifted the demonstrators into wheelchairs and rolled them back outdoors. Yesterday, 19 people were arrested after entering the hospital. Nancy Cruzan's parents last week won a court order allowing them to remove the feeding tube that has kept her alive in a vegetative state for nearly eight years since a car accident.

Researchers in France say the discovery of an enzyme linked to breast cancer's deadly spread may open new avenues of treatment against the disease that kills nearly 45-thousand American women each year. The scientists say the enzyme is produced by the tissue around invasive breast tumors, but is NOT present near tumors confined to a single, small area. They say the enzyme appears to ''eat through'' a breast tumor's connective tissue, allowing cancer cells to spread beyond the original tumor site and enabling blood vessels to feed tumor growth.

Vice President Quayle plans to spend New Year's Day in Saudi Arabia, and some of the troops already are offering their mixed reactions. 21 year-old Army Specialist Annette Bagwall of Charleston, South Carolina, says she thinks ''it's good for morale.'' And 30-year-old Private First Class Rob Pemberton of Denver says it'll probably be less exciting to see Quayle than it was to see President Bush, but- IN PEMBERTON'S WORDS- ''He didn't make it to Vietnam so at least he's making it here.'' Finally, 20-year-old, U-S-born Private John Thorne of St. Johns, Canada, says ''I'd prefer it was David Letterman.''

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#90353u2584 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 19) UPI - Two senators who recently traveled to Saudi Arabia say American military commanders told them a war with Iraq would last NO more than five days. Republican Senator Ted Stevens of Alaska says that assessment is ''based on complete air superiority.'' But White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater is NOT as optimistic. He says he ''would be most reluctant to put

days or minutes on it.''

Indications that Iraq is preparing for war. Baghdad Radio quoted the oil ministry today asking people to stock up with domestic heating fuel so there WOULDN'T be any shortages should war break out. And Egypt's Middle East News Agency reports Iraqi armored columns, tanks and artillery units are being withdrawn from the Syrian border and deployed in occupied Kuwait.

The U-S Conference of Mayors reports that hunger and homelessness is on the rise. And the conference says the problem is expected to worsen with the economic recession now hitting most cities. At the same time, the survey of mayors of 30 major cities also reports that public sentiment is turning against the homeless. The report says officials in four out of five of the survey cities have seen evidence of change in public sentiment toward homeless people, and in the majority of these cities there are more negative attitudes.

Government prosecutors are targeting more firms in an expanding probe of fraud in the generic drug industry. Maryland U-S Attorney Breckinridge Willcox told a House subcommittee the government has ''just scratched the surface'' in prosecutions relating to the scandal. Willcox says the industry is ripe with ''corporate greed, arrogance and deceit.'' He says more charges will be filed ''in the near future'' against Bolar Pharmaceutical of Copiague, New York. Two top Bolar excecutives have pleaded guilty to felony counts in a fraud scheme that generated 100- Million dollars in revenues for the company.

The federal Environmental Protection Agency today issued a 78- Million-dollar cleanup order for a General Motors site in upstate New York. But the E-P-A order falls 60-Million dollars short of a cleanup proposal handed up in March that estimated cleanup costs for G-M's Central Foundry Superfund site in Massena at 138-Million dollars. The site has poisoned fish and game at a nearby Mohawk reservation.

AIDS activists around the country are demanding that the government give quick approval to two promising drugs. David Gold of the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power says tens of thousands of people are failing A-Z-T- the only government-approved drug to fight the AIDS virus because it is either too toxic or not working for them. ACT UP and other groups today appealed for faster action from the government and the manufacturers of the two new drugs- D-D-I and D-D-C.

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#90353u2785 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 19) UPI - Iraqis reportedly are being told to stock up with domestic heating fuel in case war breaks out in the Persian Gulf. And another report says Iraqi armored columns, tanks and artillery units are being withdrawn from the Syrian border to reinforce the defenses of Kuwait.

In another development, U-S Defense Secretary Cheney and U-S Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman Colin Powell arrived in Saudi Arabia today. The officials will visit U-S troops and discuss strategy with Saudi and other military commanders.

One crew member is dead and three others missing after a Navy helicopter crashed in the mid-Pacific. The Huey chopper which was assigned to a task force steaming for the Middle East crashed in a night training flight 700 miles northeast of Guam.

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#90353u2880 12/19/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 19) UPI - White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater reports the administration is getting NOwhere in trying to set dates for high-level peace talks with Iraq. Fitzwater's report of NO progress comes amid signs Iraq is preparing for war. Baghdad radio says Iraq's oil ministry today asked people to stock up with domestic heating fuel to confront shortages in case a winter war erupts in the Persian Gulf. And it says Iraqi authorities have plans to evacuate more than one-Million people from the densely populated Baghdad suburb of Saddam beginning Friday.

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starting January 1st... becoming the first fast-food chain to do so. Carl's operates restaurants in Arizona, California, Nevada, Oregon and Japan. The chain says it's making the move because of the benefits of- quote- ''an improved dining experience and healthier atmosphere.'' The restaurant's parent company, Carl Karcher Enterprises Incorporated, says it's also encouraging its 142 franchised restaurants to adopt the ban.

Federal investigators say the brakes were applied before an Amtrak train derailed and slammed into a commuter train in Boston's Back Bay station last week. But investigators say technicians were unable to determine when or how many times the brakes had been applied. The rush- hour accident injured 264 people. Early reports indicated a brake valve on the Night Owl was broken.

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WOODSTOCK, VT. (DEC. 19) UPI - New England Ski Areas Council official summary of snow conditions at New England ski areas as of 7 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1990.

Skiing conditions are subject to change due to weather, skier traffic, and other factors. Be aware of changing conditions.

Legend: new-inches of new snow snowfall ending in last 24 hours, pdr-powder snow, pp-packed powder, wet gr-wet granular, lsgr-loose granular, frgr-frozen granular, corn-corn snow, mgs-machine groomed surface (where two such terms appear, the former shows conditions on 70 percent or more terrain, and the latter the next-most-prevalent condition) vc-variable conditions, sc-spring conditions xx of 00 trails-number of trails open, sm-snow made in last 24 hours, tc-thin cover, wbln-windblown snow, var-variable, ns-night skiing available, no-not operating, opr-operating.

CONNECTICUT

Mohawk Mtn new lsgr / 3- 10 base 4 trails 2 lifts

Powder Ridge new / - base trails lifts
Ski Sundown new / - base trails lifts
Woodbury new lsgr / 5- 20 base 2 trails 2 lifts ns

MASSACHUSETTS
Berkshire East new / - base trails lifts
Blandford new / - base trails lifts
Blue Hills new / - base trails lifts
Bousquet new / - base trails lifts
Bradford new / - base trails lifts
Brodie Mtn new lsgr / 6- 30 base 5 trails 3 lifts ns
Butternut Basn new wetsn / 6- 30 base 6 trails 2 lifts ns
Catamount new / - base trails lifts
Jiminy Peak new wetgr / 12- 32 base 10 trails 2 lifts ns
Mt. Tom new lsgr / 0- 20 base 2 trails 1 lifts ns
Nashoba Valley new wetgr / 4- 14 base 6 trails 4 lifts ns
Wachusett Mtn new wetsn / 6- 36 base 4 trails 4 lifts ns
Ward Hill new / - base trails lifts

MAINE
Camden new / - base trails lifts
Eaton Mountain new / - base trails lifts
Lost Valley new / - base trails lifts
Moosehead Resor new / - base trails lifts
Mt. Abram new wetsn / 9- 40 base 19 trails 2 lifts
Saddleback new / - base trails lifts
Shawnee Peak new lsgr / 12- 24 base 6 trails 2 lifts ns
Sugarloaf/usa new wetgr / 13- 51 base 53 trails 5 lifts
Sunday River new wetgr /frgr 22- 44 base 40 trails 7 lifts

NEW HAMPSHIRE
Attitash new wetgr / 16- 72 base 8 trails 2 lifts
Black Mountain new / - base trails lifts
Bretton Woods new wetsn / 12- 24 base 17 trails 3 lifts
Cannon Mtn new wetgr / 15- 30 base 10 trails 3 lifts
Dartmouth Skiwa new / - base trails lifts
Gunstock new wetgr / 6- 18 base 5 trails 3 lifts
King Pine new / - base trails lifts
King Ridge new wetsn / 6- 18 base 2 trails 2 lifts
Loon Mountain new wetsn / 14- 20 base 10 trails 4 lifts
Mt. Cranmore new wetgr / 12- 54 base 4 trails 2 lifts
Mt. Sunapee new wetsn / 7- 27 base 4 trails 3 lifts
Pat's Peak new / - base trails lifts
Ragged Mtn new wetsn / 4- 24 base 4 trails 1 lifts
Temple Mtn new / - base trails lifts
Waterville Vly new lsgr / 14- 33 base 9 trails 6 lifts
Wildcat Mtn new wetsn / 24- 56 base 11 trails 2 lifts

NEW YORK
Belleayre new wetgr / 4- 20 base 4 trails 3 lifts
Big Tupper new / - base trails lifts
Deer Run new lsgr / 2- 16 base 2 trails 2 lifts
Gore Mountain new frgr / 10- 40 base 14 trails 6 lifts sm
Hunter Mountain new wetgr /lsgr 8- 49 base 33 trails 13 lifts
Mccauley Mtn new lsgr / 2- 20 base trails 3 lifts ns
Peek N Peak new lsgr / 2- 24 base 3 trails 2 lifts ns
Ski Windham new wetsn / 10- 51 base 15 trails 3 lifts
Song Mountain new lsgr / 0- 12 base 3 trails 2 lifts
Titus Mountain new pp / 6- 10 base 5 trails 3 lifts ns
Whiteface new lsgr /frgr 0- 26 base 5 trails 4 lifts sm

PENNSYLVANIA
Big Boulder new wetgr / 6- 18 base 4 trails 2 lifts
Blue Mountain new lsgr / 6- 30 base 4 trails 2 lifts ns
Jack Frost new wetgr / 18- 24 base 6 trails 4 lifts
Montage new wetgr / 12- 18 base 5 trails 3 lifts
Seven Springs new wetgr / 0- 16 base 4 trails 3 lifts
Shawnee Mtn new wetgr / 10- 20 base 6 trails 3 lifts ns

VERMONT
Ascutney Mtn new wetsn / 4- 24 base 5 trails 3 lifts
Bolton Valley new wetsn / 12- 30 base 24 trails 4 lifts ns
Bromley Mtn new wetsn / 6- 26 base 6 trails 3 lifts
Burke Mountain new / - base trails lifts
Haystack new wetgr / 12- 24 base 4 trails 2 lifts
Jay Peak new frgr /lsgr 2- 26 base 12 trails 3 lifts
Killington new wetsn /wetgr 22- 36 base 60 trails 10 lifts
Magic Mountain new wetgr /lsgr 14- 28 base 10 trails 3 lifts
Maple Valley new / - base trails lifts
Middlebury Snob new / - base trails lifts
Mt. Snow new lsgr /wetgr 12- 24 base 37 trails 8 lifts
Okemo Mountain new lsgr / 18- 30 base 43 trails 8 lifts
Pico new lsgr / 14- 40 base 28 trails 4 lifts
Smugglers Notch new frgr / 6- 24 base 8 trails 3 lifts
Stowe new lsgr / 10- 36 base 11 trails 4 lifts
Stratton Mtn new lsgr / 16- 29 base 20 trails 5 lifts
Sugarbush new lsgr /pp 17- 54 base 21 trails 7 lifts
Suicide Six new wetgr / 4- 12 base 5 trails 2 lifts

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#90354b0014 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire
KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - For the first-time ever, families and holiday travelers across the country can be united instantly by phone through US Sprint's new conferencing service.

The service, Sprint QuickConference(sm), allows Sprint calling card customers to place an instant three-way conference call from touch-tone phones in the United States without advance scheduling or operator assistance.

Three-way conferencing can help bring families together who otherwise would be apart during the holidays. Families can talk to each other from home, or from any touch-tone phone whil the road.

Sprint QuickConference is the newest addition to Sprint's family of conferencing products. A simple dialing pattern allows customers to link three people together. Placing a QuickConference call is as easy as placing a calling card call.

To add another party, the customer simply presses 12, to put the first party on hold. Next, the customer dials the area code and phone number of the third party. To conference all three on the same line, the customer presses 13, and all three parties will be on one line. To return to the original call, the customer presses 14. For more information on QuickConference, or for operator assistance with rotary-dial phones, call US Sprint Customer Service at 1-800-877-4646.

US Sprint will continue to waive the 75 cent bridge charge throughout the holidays. Normal calling card charges apply to each segment of the call.

For families who would like to unite more than three locations, Sprint has announced a residential plan for its Sprint Conference Line(sm) service. The plan offers discounted rates which will apply to customers calling during evenings, weekends and holidays. ''For example, a four-location, 30-minute call can be made for under $25,'' Fuciu said.

For more information regarding Sprint Conference Line call 1-800-366-CONF.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the only nationwide all-digital, all fiber-optic network.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint will save its largest customer the federal government, an additional $20-$30 million in 1991 from an approximate 10 percent price reduction on most voice services under FTS2000,

the government's advanced, cost-beneficial telecommunications network.

The majority of the cost savings are from discounts offered by US Sprint for high-volume usage. With the discounts in effect, US Sprint estimates $180 million in total savings to the government for use of all US Sprint FTS2000 services in fiscal year 1991.

Since federal agencies began using the new network in October 1989, both switched voice and data traffic have exceeded original estimates, activating volume discount incentives built into Sprint's pricing.

These reductions also reflect ongoing changes in the commercial marketplace, against which FTS2000 prices must be competitive. Together with a planned reduction on FTS2000 voice prices that was part of US Sprint's original bid, the combined reductions amount to approximately 10 percent.

High-traffic volumes and aggressive marketing of new services also have allowed US Sprint to initiate price reductions on seven different non-voice services. The General Services Administration (GSA) has approved future volume discounts proposed by US Sprint based on additional increased usage.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video products and services on the only nationwide all-digital, all fiber-optic network.

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VACAVILLE, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - A group of Colorado and California investors led by John C. Power of Nut Tree, Calif., has acquired a 10.24 percent interest in Littlefield, Adams & Co. (ASE:LFA) according to documents filed with both the Securities and Exchange Commission and the American Stock Exchange.

According to a statement in a Schedule 13D, the group believes that ''the securities of the issuer are substantially undervalued.

''Members of the group intend to develop a working relationship with management of the issuer in an effort to maximize the value to stockholders of the issuer's securities,'' the document further stated.

Based in Roanoke, Va., Littlefield, Adams & Co.'s major line of business consists of imprinting and distribution of athletic and leisure wear products

through its wholly owned subsidiary Collegiate Pacific Co.

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LOUISVILLE, CO (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - David E. Lacey, corporate controller of Storage Technology Corp., has been elected a corporate vice president of the company.

Ryal R. Poppa, StorageTek chairman, president and chief executive officer made the announcement. Lacey reports to Harris Ravine, StorageTek executive vice president, finance and administration.

Lacey was previously director, corporate tax, for StorageTek.

He came to StorageTek in 1985 from Price Waterhouse, International. He worked for Price Waterhouse for 10 years in various tax and accounting management positions in the United States and Europe.

Lacey holds a bachelor's degree from the University of California at Berkeley. He is a CPA.

Storage Technology Corp. manufactures, markets and services, worldwide, information storage and retrieval subsystems for high-performance computers. It is a U.S. Fortune 500 company traded on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol STK.

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Michael Klatman, 303/673-5020.

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NASHVILLE, TENN (DEC. 19) BUSINESS WIRE - Shoney's Inc. (NYSE:SHN) reported record revenues and pretax income before interest expense for both the fourth quarter and the fiscal year ended Oct. 28, 1990.

Revenues for the fourth quarter increased 8 percent from $202,508,000 to $218,256,000. Income before extraordinary charges increased 56 percent from $4,329,000 to $6,744,000. Fully diluted earnings per share before extraordinary charges increased 42 percent from 12 cents to 17 cents per share. The extraordinary charges during 1989 resulted from early extinguishment of debt.

For the year ended Oct. 28, 1990, revenues increased 9 percent to $929,498,000. Income before extraordinary charges increased 56 percent from

$18,947,000 to $29,582,000. Fully diluted earnings per share before extraordinary charges increased 46 percent from 50 cents to 73 cents per share.

Net income for 1989 included a gain from the sale of the company's investment in Restaurant Management Services Inc. of $1,833,000 or 5 cents per share.

During 1990, the company made $65 million of principal payments against the original $585 million of bank borrowings used to finance its 1988 recapitalization. Cumulative principal payments against these borrowings total $240 million, which included $95 million of scheduled payments and $145 million of prepayments.

The balance of such borrowings at the end of the year was $345 million with a weighted average interest rate of 10.5 percent. Interest expense declined by $12,013,000 from $83,095,000 to $71,082,000 in 1990.

In addition, 58 Shoney's Inns, which included four new Shoney's Inns opened during 1990, were in operation at the end of the year.

During fiscal 1991, the company plans to open 28 company-owned units, as compared with 23 in 1990 and 16 in 1989. Franchisees presently are expected to open an additional 105 units, which would result in systemwide openings of 133 units.

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DENVER (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Grease Monkey International Inc. has signed a two year, $370,000 consulting agreement with Shell Canada Limited for the expansion and enhancement of their Rapid Lube quick oil change operations in Canada.

Shell Canada selected Grease Monkey following an in-depth review of other alternatives that could provide them with the expertise they needed for their growth plan.

This is the third international agreement for Grease Monkey in the past five years; they have provided training support for CEPSA, a Spanish oil company, and British Petroleum in France and Austria.

The $370,000 fee will be paid to Grease Monkey over the two year term of the agreement.

Joe Plens, manager of Shell Canada's Rapid Lube Division, said, ''We are pleased to be working with the Grease Monkey organization and are looking forward to a very productive and mutually beneficial relationship.''

Shell Canada has operated a successful but small chain of quick lubes for the past 12 years, primarily in the Toronto area.

Larry Baldwin, vice president for Grease Monkey, stated, ''We are also quite enthused about working with Shell Canada. Their Rapid Lube operations have done well and, although we will be assisting them in their growth and improvement program, we will be mutually sharing ideas and systems, thus expanding our ability to create, develop and implement new programs and enhance our existing systems in support of our franchisees.''

Grease Monkey is the nation's largest independent franchisor of automotive quick lubrication centers (the top 3 being owned by major oil companies).

Grease Monkey currently has 171 centers open.

CONTACT: Grease Monkey International Inc., Denver
Larry D. Baldwin, 303/534-1660

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#90354b0037 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire
MILPITAS, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Twinhead Corp., known for exceptional ASIC designs and original design manufacturing quality, Wednesday announced the newest addition to their networking product line, the Twinhead Netstation 20V.

This system is a compact yet powerful platform that will not only function as a stand-alone PC; with Twinhead's optional Netware remote boot PROM, it will serve as a high-powered, dedicated network workstation, and run with or without disks.

Twinhead's standard configuration, with 1 Mb of RAM, Super VGA controller, IDE hard disk interface, a 3.5-inch/1.44 Mb floppy disk, keyboard and MS-DOS 4.01, is $1,549.

The Netstation 20V, like the majority of Twinhead computer designs, incorporates the complete computer system onto the motherboard. Floppy drive controller, hard drive interface, high-performance 1024-by-768 Super VGA graphics controller, two serial ports, a parallel port, memory and the CPU are all located on a compact (8.5 inches by 13 inches) four-layer system board hardly larger than a sheet of paper.

This design leaves room for two drive bays in a ''slimline'' system case that measures 3.5 inches high by 15.75 inches wide by 15.75 inches deep. The

Netstation also shares the horizontal card cage design common to other high-performance systems.

Two 16-bit ISA bus slots are available, and cards mount parallel to the motherboard, improving heat dissipation dynamics. With a VGA monitor, floppy and hard disk drive installed, all expansion I/O slots are still free.

The Netstation 20V is an addition to the two basic configurations of the Netstation already shipping. The Netstation 16V uses the Intel 80386SX running at 16MHz, while the Netstation 12V is built around a 12MHz 80286 processor.

Both of these systems take advantage of Twinhead's expertise in 80286-based board design, which was garnered, in part, by designing systems for other, larger companies.

The motherboards of these compact systems support 1, 2, or 5 megabytes of RAM in a rather unusual combination. The basic system board comes with 1Mb of DRAM installed in surface-mounted QFPs (Quad Flat Packs). Next to the chips these are four sockets for SIMMs. The SIMMs used may be either 256Kb by 9 or 1Mb by 9 configurations. Memory is paged and interleaved for zero wait state performance.

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John Bryan, 408/945-0808

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SUNNYVALE, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - California Microwave Inc. (OTC:CMIC) announced that it had received from Electrospace Systems Inc., a Chrysler company, a $4.1 million contract to supply satellite communications equipment for the Royal Netherlands Navy.

Under the contract, California Microwave will provide satellite frequency converters and spares for 15 Dutch Navy ships. To date, the company has delivered over 2,000 of its proprietary satellite converters, for a total value of some $90 million, for use in U.S. government Defense Satellite Communications System satellite earth stations.

California Microwave Inc. is a leading supplier of satellite communications earth stations and equipment.

CONTACT: California Microwave, Sunnyvale
Stephanie M. Day, 408/720-6229.

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MONROE, LA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Century Telephone Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:CTL) announced Thursday the acquisition of additional ownership interests in five cellular telephone Rural Service Areas (RSAs) through its wholly owned subsidiary Century Cellunet Inc.

The additional interests increase Century's total pops, or Century's pro rata share of the population of the licensed areas, by 116,000 to approximately 5,038,000.

Century has acquired from GTE Mobilnet Inc. (GTE) a 25 percent partnership interest in Michigan RSA 10, representing 34,000 pops. RSA 10 is adjacent to Century's Saginaw, Michigan Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) market.

In Wisconsin RSA 6, Century acquired from GTE a 14.29 percent partnership interest. This market area is adjacent to Century's La Crosse MSA market. Century gained over 16,000 pops in this RSA which has a total of approximately 114,000 pops.

Century has acquired GTE's 20 percent partnership interest in Arkansas RSA 3. Arkansas 3 has been merged with Arkansas 2 to provide greater efficiencies and marketing advantages with Century being named the operating partner. Additional owned pops in these markets increased by 16,000 as a result of these transactions. Century owns an 82 percent interest in the partnership representing approximately 148,000 pops.

After a construction permit is granted, Century will acquire an additional 16.67 percent partnership interest in Michigan RSA 6 from GTE, representing 23,000 pops. Century will also acquire the Saginaw-Chippewa Indian Tribe's 16.67 percent partnership interest in this RSA in which Century will be the operator. After both acquisitions, Century will own 98 percent of the RSA, representing a gain of 46,000 pops. Total Century pops in the RSA are 135,000.

RSA pops are based on 1990 population estimates as obtained from Donnelley Marketing Information Services.

Century is continuing to pursue acquisitions of additional MSA and RSA cellular interests.

Century Telephone Enterprises Inc., headquartered in Monroe, is a diversified telecommunications company with operations in 15 states.

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W. Bruce Hanks, 318/388-9500

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#90354b0042 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire

HOUSTON (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Powell Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: POWL) Thursday announced that its fiscal year ended Oct. 31, was a record year for both revenues and earnings.

Revenues for 1990 were a record for the third consecutive year. For the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990, revenues were $131 million, a 35 percent increase over the $97 million in 1989.

Net earnings increased to $7 million, or 68 cents per share, in 1990, from $2 million, or 21 cents per share, in 1989, an increase of 250 percent.

Backlog at Oct. 31, 1990 was also a record at $101 million, an increase of 51 percent from the $67 million backlog of orders at Oct. 31, 1989.

Revenues in the fourth quarter of 1990 were $32 million, approximately $200,000 more than the fourth quarter of 1989. Net earnings in the fourth quarter of 1990 were $2.2 million, or 22 cents per share, vs. $1.4 million, or 14 cents per share, in the fourth quarter of 1989, an increase of 57 percent.

Thomas W. Powell, president and chairman of the board of Powell Industries Inc. stated: ''1990 was an outstanding year for almost every unit of our company. The only disappointment was at our U.S. Turbine subsidiary, which improved its performance in revenues and margins in 1990, but remained unprofitable.

''With our record backlog as we begin fiscal 1991, we are optimistic the coming year will be another record year with increasing revenues and earnings despite the reported economic slowdown in some sections of the United States.''

Powell Industries Inc. designs, manufactures and packages electrical generation, control and distribution equipment.

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J.F. Ahart, 713/947-4422.

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SALT LAKE CITY (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Grand Valley Gas Co. (OTC:GVGC) Thursday announced that Michael D. Fowler has joined the company as vice president.

Fowler will be reponsible for energy related business development beyond the company's traditional natural gas marketing activities. He brings eighteen years of financial management, financing and asset acquisition experience to Grand Valley and has previously served as chief financial officer to Plexus Resources Corp., Catheter Technology Corp. and First Interstate Bank as well

as treasurer of Northwest Energy Co.

Fowler holds both bachelor of science and masters of business administration degrees from the University of Utah.

Jeff J. Fishman, president of Grand Valley, stated that ''Grand Valley has developed the necessary expertise to continue expansion of its energy business through participation and ownership in projects with superior earnings potential.

''The company is postured to take full advantage of its unique approach to providing natural gas marketing services to western regional utilities, end users and producers, while adding to its inventory of oil and gas reserves, gathering and transportation systems and related energy assets.''

Grand Valley is one of the largest purchasers of natural gas in its regions of operation. It also provides gas supplies and administrative services to local distribution companies and industrial end users.

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Deanna F. Christensen, 801/532-7526

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SANTA CLARA, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Intel Corp. said Thursday that it has filed a suit against Cyrix Corp. of Richardson, Texas for patent infringement relating to the Intel 80387 math coprocessor.

The action was taken following months of discussion between the two companies.

In court documents filed in Dallas, Intel claims that the Cyrix coprocessor duplicates the function of U.S. patent number 4,338,675 which was granted to Intel in 1982. The patent relates to a floating-point arithmetic function. Math coprocessors perform mathematical operations and function as peripheral devices to Intel's family of microprocessors.

Intel is requesting an injunction to prevent Cyrix from continued infringement and is also requesting damages. No court date has been set.

Intel is an international manufacturer of microcomputer components, modules and systems.

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ORANGE, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Retired Justice John K. Trotter has been named chairman of the board of Judicial Arbitration & Mediation Services Inc. (J.A.M.S.).

As chairman, Trotter will lead the firm's planned national expansion. Hon. Warren Knight becomes founder/chief judicial officer.

''The future of our firm is in the best possible hands with Justice Trotter,'' said Founder/Chief Judicial Officer H. Warren Knight. ''His vision and energy will insure that our planned expansion will be diligently and profitably accomplished,'' Knight added.

Justice Trotter has served as vice chairman and chief judicial officer of J.A.M.S. since August 1987. While holding an executive position with the firm he has also acted as a hearing officer for J.A.M.S.

Recently Justice Trotter served as a mediator and helped 770 homeowners reach a $62.5 million settlement with dozens of insurance companies, the city of Los Angeles and the Community Redevelopment Agency, in the Monterey Hills subsidence litigation. Justice Trotter saved the parties untold time and millions of dollars that would have been necessary had the case gone through traditional litigation in the Superior Court.

Prior to joining J.A.M.S. in 1987 Justice Trotter was presiding justice of the California 4th District Court of Appeals, Division III, in Orange County. He was elevated to the appellate bench in 1982 from the Orange County Superior Court to which he had been appointed in 1979.

Justice Trotter is a graduate of the University of Southern California Law School and was engaged in the practice of law specializing in civil litigation before his appointment to the bench.

J.A.M.S., which provides a private forum for the resolution of civil disputes, offers its services through a panel of over 140 retired trial and appellate court justices. With 15 offices in California, Oregon, Washington and Texas, J.A.M.S. is the nation's leading private dispute resolution services firm.

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Julie A. August, 714/937-8215

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - URS Corp. (NYSE:URS), Thursday reported revenues of $31.7 million for the fiscal fourth quarter ended Oct. 31 1990, a 60 percent increase over revenues of $19.8 million in the like 1989

period.

Net income in the fourth quarter was $3.6 million, or 76 cents a share, compared with a loss of $11.3 million, or $13.04 a share, in the like 1989 period. Gains from discontinued operations, as well as a gain resulting from the renegotiation of a long-term lease, accounted for $3.4 million of net income.

Income from continuing operations, after giving effect to $200,000 in restructuring expenses, was $200,000. This marked URS' first profitable quarter since a corporate restructuring that began in mid-1989.

The unusual items were a $1.8 million gain from discontinued operations resulting primarily from a settlement in connection with the closure of the company's Mitchell Management Systems (MMS) subsidiary in May 1990. Additionally, the company realized a gain of $1.6 million resulting from renegotiations of the lease at its Cleveland, Ohio facility.

An additional $1.7 million in gains from the transaction have been deferred and will be recognized evenly over the next five years. The new lease will also result in material annual cost savings, the company noted.

Revenues for the year ended Oct. 31, 1990 were $105.2 million, 15 percent above the prior year's $91.5 million. The net loss in fiscal 1990 was $11.6 million, or $4.91 a share, which included a $7.9 million loss from discontinued opeations due primarily to the shutdown of MMS. This compared with a net loss of $100,000, or 10 cents a share, in 1989.

The 1989 results included an $11.7 million charge to discontinued operations offset by a $29.1 million extraordinary gain from the exchange of a new series of subordinated debentures and common shares for previously issued convertible subordinated debentures.

URS Corp., through its subsidiary, URS Consultants Inc., is a nationwide consulting firm with over 25 offices which provides planning, architectural, engineering and program and construction management services to a variety of public and private clients. Utilizing staff resources of more than 1,000 professionals, URS meets the challenges of today's complex hazardous waste/environmental, water resources, transportation, architectural and construction management projects.

CONTACT: URS Corp., San Francisco
Michael B. Shane, 415/774-2700

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LYNNWOOD, WASH (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Ralph V. Schapler, chairman and

chief executive officer of Pioneer Savings Bank, announced Thursday that the Savings Bank's board of directors declared an 18 cents per share cash dividend on the Savings Bank's common stock.

This cash dividend is an increase of approximately 13 percent per share over last quarter's dividend of 16 cents per share. The cash dividends will be payable Jan. 25, 1991, to stockholders of record as of Jan. 11, 1991.

Pioneer Bank converted to stock ownership on July 13, 1989, and trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol ''PFBK.'' This is the sixth quarterly dividend the Savings Bank has paid since becoming a public company. A one for one stock dividend was paid Feb. 20, 1990.

Pioneer Bank is a state chartered stock savings bank headquartered in Snohomish County. The Savings Bank is primarily engaged in the business of attracting deposits from the general public and using these deposits, together with other funds, to make single-family real estate loans. At Sept. 30, 1990, the Savings Bank had assets of nearly $728 million.

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PLEASANTON, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Mission-Valley Bancorp (NASDAQ/NMS:MVBC) declared a 10 cent per share cash dividend to be paid on Jan. 7, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

Mission-Valley Bancorp is the holding company for Commercial Bank of Fremont, The Bank of Pleasanton, The Bank of San Ramon Valley, Lamorinda National Bank, The Bank of Milpitas, N.A. and Concord Commercial Bank.

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Joseph P. Colmery, 415/462-2452, X301

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AUSTIN, TX (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - SEMATECH Thursday announced it has awarded an equipment improvement contract to Integrated Process Equipment Corporation (IPEC) of San Jose, Calif.

Under terms of the agreement, SEMATECH will work with IPEC to enhance the AVANTI 8000, an integrated dry/wet photoresist stripper for single wafer processing. The strip clean system removes photoresist from wafers after all masking and patterning operations are completed, including the removal of even heavily implanted resist.

SEMATECH's equipment improvement program was established in order to improve America's competitive capability in semiconductor manufacturing. To accomplish this objective, SEMATECH works with U.S. suppliers to enhance new equipment, materials and processes that support manufacturing requirements for future generations of technology.

These programs focus on improving the function and reliability of the equipment in order to increase manufacturing uptime and decrease costs.

SEMATECH is a consortium of 14 U.S. semiconductor manufacturing firms partnered with the U.S. Department of Defense that is charged with the mission of restoring U.S. semiconductor manufacturing leadership capability.

IPEC is a member of SEMI/SEMATECH, an independent industry association headquartered at SEMATECH. SEMI/SEMATECH's 133 members consist of majority-owned American suppliers to the semiconductor manufacturing industry.

CONTACT: SEMATECH, Austin
Michele Higdon, 512/356-3659

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Transamerica Corporation Thursday declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 49 cents per share on Transamerica common stock.

The dividend is payable Jan. 31, 1991 to shareholders of record record Dec. 31 1990.

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Greg G. Wilcox, 415/983-5503 (investment community)

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HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Wes Baumgardner, chairman of Standard Logic Inc. (SLI)(NASDAQ:STDL), and Larry Dingus, chairman of TouchStone Software Corp., announced Thursday the signing of a definitive merger agreement between the two companies.

Under the terms of the agreement, SLI will acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of TouchStone in exchange for shares of SLI. The shareholders of TouchStone will receive approximately 80 percent of the resultant company, and the shareholders of SLI approximately 20 percent.

As previously announced, the combined company will change its name to TouchStone Software Corp., with its principal business the development and marketing of computer software utility products.

A group comprised of SLI management and outside investors will purchase substantially all of the assets and operations of SLI at a fair market value.

The completion of the merger is subject to, among other things, the filing of a registration statement with the appropriate government agencies, and stockholder approval from both companies. A.M. Razo & Co. Inc., an Orange-based investment banking company, acted as an advisor to this transaction.

TouchStone Software Corp. designs, develops and markets a line of computer software programs used for troubleshooting hardware and software problems on IBM-compatible PCs. The company's best-known product is CheckIt, the industry's leading PC diagnostic program.

Standard Logic is engaged principally in providing products and services to the electronic packaging industry. The company's electronic products include integrated circuit packaging systems, logic panels, back planes and contract engineering and manufacturing. In addition, the company provides software and wire-wrapping services for its in-house products to numerous commercial and military customers.

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or
Coffin Communications Group, Sherman Oaks
William F. Coffin, 818/789-0300

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#90354b0102 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Oglebay Norton Co. announced Thursday that the purchase of two Great Lakes self-unloading vessels from Bethlehem Steel Corp. had been completed.

Oglebay Norton signed a letter of intent at midyear to purchase the 1,000-foot M/V Lewis Wilson Foy and the 698-foot M/V Sparrows Point. The Foy, built in 1978, can carry more than 61,000 gross tons of iron ore pellets; the Sparrows Point, built in 1952, carries almost 22,000 tons.

At the conclusion of the 1990 sailing season, both vessels are expected to lay up at the Port of Toledo. Oglebay Norton's Columbia Transportation Division and Pringle Transit Co. fleets operated 12 of their 13 vessels for the full season.

The purchase price was not disclosed.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Advertising revenues for Times Mirror's Newspaper Publishing group for the four weeks ended Dec. 2, 1990, decreased 1.9 percent to $138,199,000 from $140,893,000 in the prior year.

For the 48 weeks, Jan. 1 through Dec. 2, 1990, total advertising revenues decreased 1.6 percent to $1,535,419,000, compared with $1,560,834,000 for the period Jan. 1 through Dec. 3, 1989.

The cumulative results for 1990 contained 48 Sundays, compared with 49 Sundays in the same period of 1989.

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-30- 798

#90354b0108 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire

DUBLIN, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Lucky Stores announced Thursday that the company will extend its Aug. 29, 1990, offer to retain employees called to active military duty related to Operation Desert Shield on active status with the company until March 31, 1991, to continue to protect employees' wages and benefits.

Lawrence A. Del Santo, chairman, said, ''We felt it was necessary to extend the policy as a sign of continued support for those employees who have already been called to active duty and to assure any employees who are affected by the recent call-ups that they too have our support.'' Del Santo continued, ''We do not believe our employees called to active duty or their families should suffer economic hardship while serving their nation.

We will review our policy quarterly to ensure that it continues to meet the needs of our employees.'' Lucky will pay the difference between an employees.'' Lucky will pay the difference between an employee's military pay and benefits based on their wage experience for the six months of service with the company prior to being activated.

Lucky Stores Inc. is California's largest food retailer, operating 410 stores in California and southern Nevada. Lucky has 34,000 employees. To date, 18 company employees have been called to active military duty.

CONTACT: Lucky Stores Inc., Dublin

Judith A. Decker, 415/833-6000.

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#90354b0116 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire

HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - TouchStone Software Corp., publishers of CheckIt, the world's most popular PC diagnostic, announced a major co-publishing agreement with Markt&Technik AG, the leading publisher of computer magazines, books and software in Germany.

M&T ranks third among all computer publishers worldwide with 1989 sales of $175 million.

The exclusive co-publishing agreement with M&T provides for German translations of TouchStone's best-selling product, CheckIt 3.0, which was released in Germany on Nov. 30, 1990. The English version of CheckIt 3.0 was previously available in Germany, retailing for DM 279,00. The German version will retail for DM 359,00.

Those wishing to upgrade their English versions to German will pay DM 199,00. Purchasers of CheckIt in Germany and Austria should contact M&T to obtain these products.

Christiane Ritter of M&T stated: ''CheckIt 3.0 delivers powerful preventative maintenance capabilities at a level easy enough for the beginner to use, with operations sophisticated enough for the most demanding power user. CheckIt brings corporations, small offices and private users a means of expanding their PC support effectively and inexpensively.''

Darlene Kindstrand, director of international sales for TouchStone, added: ''Our sales in Europe are escalating right now and TouchStone expects significant revenues in the fourth quarter of 1990 as a result of the relationship with Markt&Technik.'' The agreement provides for technical support and aggressive marketing and sales to major distributors in Germany including Access Computer and DNS-Softsel.

M&T was the first German publisher to recognize the explosive potential in the software development and technical niche publishing market. In 1984 M&T expanded its business in the United States by acquiring Dr. Dobb's Journal.

M&T continues to grow by leading the computer publishing industry with a family of targeted, technical magazine titles such as DBMS for network-oriented database developers and LAN Technology for network integrators.

TouchStone Software designs, develops and markets a line of computer software programs used for troubleshooting hardware and software problems on IBM-compatible PCs.

These products include PC TEST, a testing program anyone can use; BASIC PC MAINTENANCE, a ''hands-on'' video that demonstrates basic PC upkeep; and the CheckIt Floppy Drive Testing System, the program that tests PC floppy drives for proper alignment and mechanical function.

Additional information, review copies and photos are available upon request.

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SAN JOSE, CALIF (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Eugene E. Blakeslee, 45, executive vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer of Pacific Western Bank and its holding company parent, Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. (ASE:PWB) announced his resignation from those positions effective Dec. 31, 1990.

Blakeslee, who is leaving the bank to pursue other interests, joined the firm on July 31, 1979. Initially vice president and controller, he has been in his current positions since 1987.

He came to Pacific Western from the San Jose office of Deloitte & Touche (formerly Deloitte Haskins + Sells) where he was the manager of small business services. Blakeslee is a graduate of the University of Oregon and a certified public accountant.

The company reports that his replacement will be named prior to the first of the year.

Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. is a bank holding company. Through its subsidiaries, the company offers trust and asset management services. The holding company's Pacific Western Bank has 28 locations in three counties serving California's Santa Clara Valley and Monterey Bay area.

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SAN MATEO, CALIF (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Hampton Utilities Trust (AMEX:HU), a closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers, Inc., Thursday announced a $1 per share quarterly dividend on its preferred shares and a 41

cents per share annual dividend on its common shares, both payable on Jan. 15, 1991 to shareholders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

Franklin Advisers, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources, Inc. (NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $44-billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.8 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo 94404.

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SAN MATEO, CALIF (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Franklin Multi-Income Trust (NYSE:FMI), a closed-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers Inc., Thursday announced a monthly dividend of 8.95 cents ($.0895) per share payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

Franklin Advisers Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources Inc. (NYSE:BEN), also manages the 56-member, $44 billion Franklin Group of Funds which has over 1.8 million shareholder accounts. Franklin is headquartered at 777 Mariners Island Blvd., San Mateo, Calif., 94404.

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DETROIT (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Nissan Motor Company Ltd., Tokyo, has announced the following estimated results for 1990 and projections for 1991, in line with its policy of further promoting overseas production while at the same time increasing its domestic sales.

	1990 Results (estimate)	(1,000 units) 1991 Projections
Domestic sales	1,415	1,450
(pct change)	(+7.2 pct)	(+2.5 pct)
Exports	956	932
(pct change)	(-10.2 pct)	(-2.5 pct)
Domestic production	2,419	2,440
(pct change)	(+1.9 pct)	(+0.9 pct)
Overseas production	664	813
(pct change)	(+4.3 pct)	(+22.5 pct)
Domestic total demand (a)	5,980	6,030
(pct change)	(+7.5 pct)	(+0.8 pct)

(a) Excludes mini-vehicles

Nissan projects that the year 1991 will see the economies in Asian countries as well as Europe and the United States slow down their rate of growth due mainly to the increase in oil prices resulting from the Gulf crisis and high interest rates.

Under the economic circumstances, Nissan expects that the automotive demands in Japan, the United States and Europe will almost remain on the same level as the previous year or suffer a slight decline.

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SANTA CLARA, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - 3Com Corp. (NASDAQ:COMS) Thursday announced results for its second fiscal quarter ended Nov. 30.

The global data networking company reported net income of $4.9 million (17 cents per share) on sales of $107.1 million, as compared with net income of $5.3 million (18 cents per share) on sales of $105.9 million in the comparable quarter last year.

New product sales as measured by sales from products introduced during the last 12 months were 32 percent this quarter, nearly double the 17 percent posted for the comparable prior-year quarter.

On a sequential quarter basis, orders of $105.5 million this quarter increased 9 percent from the first quarter, while second quarter sales and net income were relatively flat with prior quarter results.

Balance sheet performance during the second quarter remained strong. Cash, cash equivalents and temporary cash investments increased $3.9 million to $96.2 million notwithstanding the company's repurchase of 487,000 shares of common stock on the open market during the quarter.

Second quarter's positive cash flow reflects continued improvements in asset management with accounts receivable and inventory balances decreasing 4 percent and 11 percent, respectively.

Sales for the six-month period were $213.3 million, 9 percent above the $195.0 million for the like period in fiscal 1990. Year-to-date net income was $9.9 million, or 34 cents per share, vs. $6.5 million, or 22 cents per share, last year.

Sales for the last four quarters were $437.4 million, a 6 percent increase from sales of $413.9 million for the year-earlier 12-month period. Net income of $23.9 million was 6 percent below the $25.4 million posted a year earlier

for the like four quarters.

3Com Corp. is a leading independent global data networking company providing multivendor connectivity that spans organizations and businesses worldwide. The company designs, manufactures and supports a wide range of networking systems based on industry standards and open systems architecture.

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RICHARDSON, TX (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Cyrix Corp. Thursday announced the filing of a comprehensive anti-trust suit against Intel Corp. on Dec. 19, 1990 citing numerous violations of anti-trust laws in the past year.

Founded in 1988 to design, develop and market math coprocessors, Cyrix has developed an original, highly advanced way of performing complex mathematical calculations. Introduced in 1989, the new Cyrix math coprocessors perform math operations -- particularly complex operations -- faster, more accurately, and with less power consumption that Intel math coprocessors.

Independent industry analysts have confirmed that Cyrix math coprocessors are compatible with the Intel math coprocessors but significantly outperform them.

Beginning in January 1990, and continuing to the present, Intel has engaged in a campaign of unlawful exclusionary practices to protect its coprocessor monopoly from competition by Cyrix. These practices are the subject of Cyrix's complaint in both Federal and state courts.

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LOUISVILLE, COLO (DEC.20) BUSINESS WIRE - Storage Technology Corp. (NYSE:STK) Thursday announced it has signed a new line of credit agreement that expands the credit available to the company to $100 million from $75 million, lowers the borrowing cost and runs through December 1993.

In June the company increased the old line to $75 million from $50 million.

''The increased line and three-year commitment are evidence of our lenders' ongoing positive response to the company's operating performance and improved balance sheet,'' said Robert J. Luth, StorageTek vice president of financial planning and treasurer.

The agent bank in the seven bank group is Security Pacific National Bank. The other participating banks are Continental Bank, N.A., First National Bank of Boston, Harris Trust and Savings, NCNB Texas National Bank, National Bank of Detroit and First Interstate Bank of Denver.

Storage Technology Corp. manufactures, markets and services, worldwide, information storage and retrieval subsystems for high-performance computers.

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DENVER (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Vectra Banks announced Thursday it is lowering its prime lending rate from 10 percent to 9.75 percent.

The new rate will be in effect at Vectra's eight banks on Monday.

''This reduction in our prime rate is more than just a response to the Federal Reserve's policy of reducing interest rates,'' said Gary S. Judd, president of Vectra Banking Corp. ''It is designed to stimulate loan demand at all eight Vectra Banks.

''Despite widely publicized reports about the generally restricted availability of bank credit, we at Vectra Banks are actively interested in supporting the Denver/Boulder economy by providing financing to the large number of viable businesses and households in our marketplace.''

Vectra Banking Corp. was created in 1989 and is currently the 10th largest bank holding company in the Denver/Boulder area.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Litton's Ingalls Shipbuilding division, Pascagoula, Miss., has won a $28.7 million U.S. Navy contract for the regular overhaul of the Spruance-class multimission destroyer U.S.S. Peterson (DD-969).

The Peterson, in service since 1977, is the seventh of 31 Spruance-class ships built by Ingalls in the 1970s and early 1980s.

The 563-foot, 8,800-ton ship is slated to arrive at Ingalls in March 1991 for the 13-month overhaul. Work will include combat systems upgrades, general machinery refurbishment and drydock work on the hull.

Litton is a technology-based company providing advanced electronic and defense systems, resource exploration services and industrial automation systems to U.S. and world markets.

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VANCOUVER, WA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Telecom Inc. (NASDAQ:PTCM) announced Thursday that it had made an offer to the board of directors of Mid-Plains Telephone Inc. to acquire the company by exchanging $51 million in PTI's parent company common stock, PacifiCorp, in exchange for all of the common stock of Mid-Plains.

The closing price of PacifiCorp stock, which currently pays an annual dividend of $1.44 per common share, was $22-1/8 per share at Dec. 19, 1990.

Under the terms of the offer, a subsidiary of PacifiCorp would acquire in a merger Mid-Plains through an exchange in which Mid-Plains shareholders would receive approximately 1.19 shares of PacifiCorp common stock for each share of Mid-Plains common stock based upon Mid-Plains 1,933,467 currently outstanding shares. The transaction would be subject to approval by the board and shareholders of Mid-Plains and certain regulatory agencies.

The shares of PacifiCorp stock to be used in the merger would be acquired in the open market by a subsidiary of PacifiCorp in accordance with PacifiCorp's previously announced stock repurchase program. However, it is expected that ultimately Mid-Plains would become a subsidiary of Pacific Telecom. Pacific Telecom expects to provide the cash needed to fund the open-market purchase of the PacifiCorp stock primarily through a combination of debt and equity issuances and proceeds from the potential sale of non-core assets. This transaction would be similar to those recently used by Pacific Telecom to acquire North-West Telecommunications and other telephone company properties in the Midwest.

Mid-Plains Telephone Inc. provides local telephone service for the communities of Middleton, Cross Plains and the west side of Madison, Wis. At Dec. 31, 1989, Mid-Plains had over 18,000 access lines. As a limited partner,

Mid-Plains also has minority ownership interests in cellular telephone service in the Madison, Wis., Janesville/Beloit MSA and a portion of Wisconsin RSA 9. At Sept. 30, 1990, Mid-Plains had total assets of $27.3 million and reported revenues and net income of $7.7 million and $1.2 million, respectively, for the nine months ended.

C.E. Robinson, chairman and chief executive officer of Pacific Telecom said: ''This offer is consistent with our commitment to expand our business of providing quality communication services in the rural and suburban areas of Wisconsin. We currently serve over 90,000 access lines in Wisconsin through the seven subsidiary telephone companies that we own in the state. We believe that Mid-Plains' operating philosophies and commitments to quality service are similar to ours. The combination of the strengths of Mid-Plains and our Wisconsin companies will help us better serve the communication needs of the people in the state of Wisconsin.''

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LAS VEGAS, NEV (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Dunes Hotels and Casinos Inc. (''DHC'') announced Thursday that a Nevada state court judgment on a condemnation verdict was entered in favor of a subsidiary against the State of Nevada for approximately $14,500,000.

DHC also announced that the condemnation award has not been paid and that the State's appeal rights have not been waived or exhausted.

DHC believes that the State of Nevada is likely to appeal the judgment. Due to these uncertainties, DHC is unable to assess the impact of the judgment on its financial condition or results of operations, or accurately predict the time at which it may realize any part of the judgment or the amount which it may realize, if any.

Burten Cohen, president of the DHC subsidiary, stated that, ''While I am pleased with this result, I have been in this business long enough to know that an appeal can take years.''

DHC owns and operates agricultural property in Central California, and holds other land in Northern California for development and investment. Its principal offices are located in Las Vegas.

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WESTBOROUGH, MA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - John J. Cullinane was elected today to the board of directors of Sentry Publishing Co. Inc., a privately held technology-based publishing and information services firm headquartered here.

Cullinane, a well-known entrepreneur and pioneer in the computer software products business, founded Cullinane Corp. in 1968, a year before IBM's historic unbundling of software prices. Buying software separately rather than paying for it as a hidden cost of the hardware quickly became the alternative form of buying, and it propelled the independent software business to its current annual volume of $30 billion.

A Cullinane-Sentry Publishing Co. joint venture plan was also announced today by Sentry president William A. Gannon. Under the plan, Cullinane will develop a new information technology division of Sentry to be called The Cullinane Group. The new division will produce information technology publications, conferences, and related services for senior information systems managers of large corporations.

For the past year, Cullinane served as a Fellow at Harvard University's Center for Business and Government at The John F. Kennedy School of Government. In this capacity, he authored a paper entitled ''Widows and Orphans'', examining the American financial system from the perspective of the CEO and entrepreneur. He also introduced the concept of a forum for CEOs at The Kennedy School, addressing issues of great importance to both business and government, including most recently, a conference on the credit crunch and its impact on American business.

Sentry publishes Software Magazine, a monthly magazine serving 100,000 corporate software managers worldwide, and Military & Aerospace Electronics, a newsmagazine serving 46,000 designers of advanced electronic systems for military and aerospace applications. Sentry also publishes newsletters which address highly focused niche areas in the software field, and it operates Sentry Market Research, a division which has a client list of over 400 software, computer, investment banking, and consulting firms.

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COLLEGE POINT, NY (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - EDO Corp.'s (NYSE:EDO) Government Systems Division announced Thursday that it had completed negotiations with McDonnell Aircraft Co., a division of the McDonnell Douglas Corp. (NYSE:MD), for an $11.4 million follow-on production contract for Ejection Release Units (ERUs) to be utilized on the U.S. Air Force F-15E ''Eagle.''

The contract represents the sixth year that EDO has been selected to provide ERUs to McDonnell's F-15E program. When completed, the contract will bring the total number of ERU units produced for the F-15E program to over 3,000.

Ira Kaplan, vice president and general manager of EDO's Government Systems Division, stated: ''EDO is recognized as a world leader in armament release technology, having produced ejection release units for a number of aircraft programs including the Navy F-14, Air Force F-15E and NATO Tornado.

''In addition to current ERU production contracts such as that for the F-15E, EDO has R&D programs working on next-generation stores release technology to meet the future needs of other advanced aircraft such as the ATF.''

The ERUs under this contract will be manufactured at EDO's College Point, N.Y. and Salt Lake City, Utah, facilities and will be delivered through the year 1992.

EDO Corp. designs and manufactures advanced electronic and specialized equipment for military and commercial aerospace, marine, space and industrial markets.

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AKRON, OH (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank One, Akron, N.A. announced Thursday that it has reached an agreement in principle to acquire $19 million in deposits from two branches of the Citizens Banking Co. of Salineville, Ohio.

Under the agreement, Bank One, Akron will acquire the deposits of Citizens branches in Hartville and Belden Village in Jackson Township. Both locations were formerly Midland Buckeye Savings branches recently acquired by Citizens, along with seven other branches, from the Resolution Trust Corp. The purchase is subject to regulatory approval, expected within 90 days. Bank One, Akron, which currently has branches in both of these communities, anticipates an easy transition for Citizens customers.

''We are pleased to welcome our new customers and look forward to providing them with quality service in an atmosphere of financial security,'' said Richard D. Headley, chairman and chief executive officer for Bank One, Akron. ''In addition to a full range of personal and commercial banking services, Bank One offers customers the stability and strength of one of the largest and most successful banks in America,'' he said.

According to Senior Vice President Paul Greig, accounts at both locations will be serviced through nearby state-of-the-art Bank One branches. In Hartville, customers will be served by Bank One's full-service branch now being constructed at 901 West Maple Street. The branch will feature all consumer and business banking services, drive-up banking, 24-hour Automated Teller Machines (ATMs), as well as safe deposit boxes.

In Belden Village, customers will be serviced by Bank One's Financial Marketplace at 4600 Dressler Road, N.W. In addition to innovative consumer banking programs, the financial center features a travel bureau, safe deposit boxes, a trust department, business banking and investment services. The office is open seven days a week to better serve its customers.

Customers are advised to bank as usual, for the time being, said Greig. ''We will communicate with them on an individual basis very soon to discuss all the advantages of becoming a Bank One customer. We will also explain how Bank One will conveniently transfer their accounts without interruption of service,'' he said.

In the meantime, Bank One has established a toll-free hot line to answer all customer questions. The number to call is 1-800/388-8236. Bank One also will ahve representatigves available in the Hartville and Belden Village offices of Citizens Bank to answer questions and provide information to customers beginning Dec. 24.

Bank One, Akron is a full service financial institution with 37 branches throughout Summit, Stark, Portage and Medina counties and is affiliated with Columbus-based Banc One Corp.

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SANTA ROSA, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Optical Coating Laboratory Inc. (OCLI) and Donnelly Corp., of Holland, Mich., announced Thursday that they have completed an agreement to form a joint venture for the complete commercialization of high technology, thin film, solid-state, electrochromic

coatings.

The new company created by this agreement will be called Electrochromic Technology Co.

Both parent companies have been working together for a number of months since signing a letter of intent to finalize an agreement for the venture and continued development of solid-state electrochromic coatings.

The development of the technology and manufacturing process will be completed shortly and it is expected that small volume production will begin in a period of months. Initial production will take place at OCLI facilities in Santa Rosa. It is anticipated that a new production facility will be required in three to four years.

Rolf F. Illsley, chairman of the board for OCLI, stated: ''OCLI is looking forward to continuing our long-term relationship with Donnelly Corp. The development and manufacture of solid-state electrochromic technology which has been made possible through this joint venture will dramatically affect many products.''

Electrochromic Technology Co. expects to begin production of a solid-state exterior electrochromic mirror for heavy trucks within the next several months. This mirror can be manually actuated by the driver of the vehicle to reduce the glare of headlights from vehicles following the truck. The new mirrors have been very well received by truck drivers during trial runs.

Electrochromic Technology Co. will be owned on a 50/50 basis. Each parent company will have the right to purchase coated glass from the venture to serve customers in their respective markets. For OCLI, those markets include photographics, optical instruments, ophthalmics, copiers, passive display enhancement and aerospace.

For Donnelly, glass will be purchased for use in the automotive market. Both parties may purchase glass for other markets which they may develop.

Solid-state electrochromic coatings are thin film coatings on glass which are only a few millionths of an inch thick and can be changed from light to dark by subjecting the coating to an electric current. The coating darkness will be variable and controllable to meet the preferences of the user. These coatings are particularly well suited to products requiring large areas of glass (both flat and curved).

OCLI is the world's largest independent manufacturer of thin film coated products. The company also markets its processing technology and thin film coating equipment for specialized applications. Optical and electro-optical systems, such as computer displays, photocopiers, medical equipment, satellites and lighting systems depend on OCLI's precision coatings for

accuracy and performance.

Donnelly Corp. is an international company dedicated to serving customers around the world with high quality fabricated, molded and coated glass products for the transportation and electronics markets.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - California Energy Co. (ASE, PSE: CE) Thursday said its purchase of certain geothermal operations, properties and interests in Oregon, Nevada and Utah owned by Chevron Resources Co. has been approved by the boards of directors of both companies.

The transaction is expected to close in early January 1991.

The sale includes a 9 MW powerplant and 24,000 acres of geothermal leases at Desert Peak, Nev.; a steam sales agreement with Utah Power and Light and 20,000 acres of geothermal leases at Roosevelt Hot Springs, Utah; 13,000 acres of geothermal leases at Beowawe, Nev.; 27,000 acres of additional geothermal leases in Nevada, and overriding royalty interests in Oregon and Nevada.

California Energy Co. is the leading independent developer of geothermal resources in the United States. As operator and owner of the 240-megawattt Coso Geothermal Project, the company is also a major wholesaler of electricity. In addition, California Energy controls more than 470,000 acres of geothermal prospect lands in Northern California, Oregon, Washington, Utah and Nevada.

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IRVINE, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - National Health Care Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:NHCS) announced Thursday that its wholly owned subsidiary, DentiCare of California Inc. (DentiCare) has signed a letter of intent with CIGNA Healthplan of Southern California Inc. (CIGNA) to provide Dentical Services to approximately 95,000 Medi-Cal beneficiaries who are enrolled in CIGNA under a contract with the California Department of Health Services.

The arrangement will be subject to the parties agreeing on a definitive contract, which must gain prior approval by the California Department of Corporations.

DentiCare is a capitated prepaid dental plan operating throughout California. The company offers its prepaid dental benefit packages to employer groups as

well as to individuals and small groups as an alternative to indemnity insurance. DentiCare currently has over 2,000 contracting dentists and over 245,000 subscribers in their plans.

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#90354b0618 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire

ANTWERP, Belgium (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Shlomo Dovrat, president and chief executive officer of OSHAP TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (NASDAQ/NMS:OSHSF) Thursday announced that the company's TECNOMATIX MEDICAL subsidiary received an order from its distributor in Japan for an additional quantity of PRIMUS machines, valued at over US $2.2 million.

The order will be delivered in the fourth fiscal quarter of 1990 and the first half of fiscal year 1991. This order was placed by the TECNOMATIX distributor in Japan, a large trading company, reflecting its expectation that PRIMUS will obtain market approval by the Ministry of Health in Japan within the next few weeks. The order is not contingent upon approval of PRIMUS by the Ministry of Health in Japan. PRIMUS will be the only machine of its kind approved for sale in Japan.

Dovrat stated, ''The order from Japan is an indication of the potential contribution we anticipate TECNOMATIX MEDICAL to offer OSHAP in the future. The order further establishes the credibility of PRIMUS in the international marketplace and puts the medical division in a good position for significant growth in the coming years.''

The company also announced that MANOF SYSTEMS, an OSHAP subsidiary, signed a joint venture agreement with SUTER & SUTER of Switzerland. The agreement calls for SUTER & SUTER to invest SF 600,000 (approximately US $470,000) and MANOF SF 100,000 (approximately US $78,000) in a new company to be established in Switzerland for the purpose of marketing and selling MANOF's inter-bank communications software.

MANOF SYSTEMS will have a 50 percent interest in the new company and will receive a percentage on each sale.

Dovrat added, ''This agreement is an important milestone for MANOF in launching its new product MINT, an advanced software for inter-bank communications. The agreement reflects the belief by a major European company in the potential of this new product.''

OSHAP TECHNOLOGIES LTD. provides advanced computer aided engineering workstations, flexible machining systems and standard automation products to major worldwide industrial concerns. OSHAP is also a manufacturer of

hyperthermia and medical imaging equipment, and software products primarily used for Inter-Bank communications.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - California Energy Co. (ASE, PSE: CE) announced the appointment of former Bechtel executive vice president and board member Harvey F. Brush to the position of vice chairman and chief operating officer effective Jan. 2, 1991.

Brush, 70, has served as a member of the California Energy board of directors since July 1990 and will continue in that capacity.

Charles T. Condy, chairman and chief executive office said, Brush served in numerous executive positions with the Bechtel Group Inc., including the executive committee for over 38 years until his retirement as executive vice president in 1984. He continued to serve as a member of the board of directors until 1986.

Brush is a graduate engineer from Pennsylvania State University. The majority of his professional career has been related to electric power generation.

California Energy Co. is the leading independent developer of geothermal resources in the United States. As operator and owner of the 240-megawattt Coso Geothermal Project, the company is also a major wholesaler of electricity. In addition, California Energy controls more than 470,000 acres of geothermal prospect lands in Northern California, Oregon, Washington, Utah and Nevada.

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AMHERST, NY (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Mark IV Industries Inc. (NYSE:IV) Thursday announced income from continuing operations for its third quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, of $6.1 million, compared with $6 million in the same period last year.

Per-share income from continuing operations increased 9.8 percent to 45 cents

from 41 cents (37 and 34 cents fully diluted, respectively), due to both slightly higher income and 8.5 percent fewer shares outstanding in the current period. All per-share calculations have been adjusted for the company's 5 percent stock dividend paid on July 2, 1990.

Net income for the third fiscal quarter was $6.8 million, or 50 cents per share (41 cents fully diluted), including an extraordinary gain of $700,000, or 5 cents per share. Net income in last year's third quarter was $50.1 million, or $3.38 per share ($2.62 fully diluted).

Last year's third-quarter results included an extraordinary gain of $8.3 million, resulting from the repurchase of the company's debt securities and a $35.8 million gain from the sale of Blackstone Corp., which was accounted for as a discontinued operation.

Sales for the third quarter increased 11 percent to $228.4 million, from $204.9 million in the third quarter of fiscal 1990.

For the first nine months of fiscal 1991, Mark IV's income from continuing operations, before investment gains, was $19.6 million, or $1.40 per share, up from $18.8 million, or $1.20 per share in the same period last year ($1.17 and $1.03 fully diluted, respectively).

Mark IV reported net income of $20.9 million, or $1.49 per share, compared with $66.4 million, or $4.24 per share, in the same period last year ($1.24 and $3.39 fully diluted, respectively).

Net income for the first nine months of fiscal 1991 included investment gains of $600,000, or 4 cents per share, compared with $3.6 million, or 23 cents per share, for the same period a year earlier.

The first nine months of fiscal 1991 also included extraordinary gains of $700,000, or 5 cents per share, compared with $9.5 million, or 61 cents per share, in fiscal 1990. Income from discontinued operations for the first three quarters of fiscal 1990 was $34.5 million, or $2.20 per share.

Sales for the first nine months of fiscal 1991 were $673.5 million, an increase of 6 percent from $634.3 million in the same period last year.

Mark IV Industries, with headquarters in the Buffalo suburb of Amherst, is a diversified manufacturer of products in three business segments: Technical Products and Systems; Engineered Products and Systems; and Transportation Products and Systems.

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#90354b0633 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire
SANTA ANA, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - TriCare Inc. (NASDAQ:TRCR), a leading occupational health care services company in California, announced record operating results for its fiscal 1991 second quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

For the three months ended Nov. 30, 1990, the company's net revenue increased 73 percent to $8.8 million from $5.1 million for the same period a year ago. Net income was $578,000, a 46 percent increase over net income of $397,000 reported in the second quarter of fiscal year 1990.

Earnings per share increased to 15 cents, a 15 percent increase over earnings per share of 13 cents in the same prior year period. The number of shares outstanding increased by 30 percent as a result of the company's initial public offering completed in February 1990.

For the six months ended Nov. 30, 1990, TriCare's net revenues increased 73 percent to $17.1 million from $9.9 million for the same period a year ago. Net income was $1,126,000, a 49 percent increase over net income of $759,000 reported for the same period a year ago.

Earnings per share increased to 29 cents per share, a 12 percent increase over earnings per share of 26 cents in the same prior year period.

Announcing the results for the second quarter, Steve Bullock, president and chief executive officer of TriCare, said, ''TriCare's continued growth results from the company's entry into new business and continued growth of the medical evaluation business.''

Larry Wasserman, chief financial officer of TriCare, said, ''The company's operating results were consistent with management's expectations.'' He also related that the occupational treatment acquisition completed in May 1990 has been fully integrated into TriCare.

Bullock added that: ''The company is evaluating growth opportunities through geographic expansion and new services. Future acquisitions will be evaluated as they present themselves.'' He added that, ''TriCare's progress toward becoming the leader in the occupational health care services industry is on schedule.''

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#90354b0636 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire
CLEVELAND, OH (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameritrust Corporation (NASDAQ: AMTR) announced today that Larry D. Peterson has been promoted to chief executive

officer of both Ameritrust Indiana Corporation (AIC) and of Ameritrust National Banks in Elkhart and Indianapolis. Thomas L. Dusthimer will remain chairman of the board of Ameritrust Indiana Corporation and chairman of Ameritrust National Bank, Michiana, headquartered in Elkhart. Edwin E. Finn will continue as president of Ameritrust Indiana Corporation and chairman of the board of Ameritrust National Bank in Indianapolis.

At the same time, Ameritrust announced that Jack L. Kopnisky was promoted to president of the Cincinnati region and that Robert C. Morlan, Clark A. Rechkemmer, and Mark F. Nilsson were promoted to senior vice president. Dusthimer, 56, will continue to report to James D. Rode, president and chief operating officer of Ameritrust Corporation. He will remain a director of Ameritrust Corporation and of the Ameritrust banks in Elkhart and Indianapolis Indiana.

Peterson, 42, most recently president of Ameritrust Company N.A.'s Southern Ohio Region which includes Cincinnati and Columbus, Ohio, will also continue to report to Rode and will be based in Indianapolis. He will have responsibility for the Ameritrust Indiana banks in Elkhart, Indianapolis and Kokomo, Indiana and in Sturgis, Michigan.

Jonathan W. Housand, Jr., president of Ameritrust National Bank, Michiana, Elkhart, will continue to handle the day-to-day responsibilities for the banking activities in northern Indiana for the Elkhart headquarters.

Jack L. Kopnisky has been promoted to president of the Cincinnati Region. In this capacity, Kopnisky is responsible for all regional operations and community relations. Both Kopnisky and Gregory A. Haidet, senior vice president and regional manager, Columbus, will commence reporting to Peter R. Osenar, group executive vice president -- Consumer Banking.

Robert C. Morlan has been promoted to senior vice president -- Corporate Lending, Residential Real Estate, and Private Banking, Cincinnati Region, reporting to Kopnisky. He continues to manage these functions, while assuming additional administrative functions. Clark A. Rechkemmer has been promoted to senior vice president -- Business Banking in the Consumer Banking Group, reporting to Osenar. He will be responsible for the commercial loan portfolio for the entire Consumer Banking Group and for coordinating corporate loan policies throughout the northern Ohio branch system.

Mark F. Nilsson has been promoted to senior vice president and will continue to manage the Corporate Audit function which reports to E. William Haffke, executive vice president -- Credit Policy and Risk Management.

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HICKSVILLE, NY (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Great Earth Vitamin Stores, part of the Evergood Products (OTC:EVGD) family of companies, has signed a multi-unit development agreement with a group of investors including Mitchel Feinglas to open as many as 10 retail locations, including at least three nutritional supplement and body care centers adjacent to Modell's Sporting Goods stores on Long Island.

The agreement gives the Hicksville-based 150-store chain its first retail locations in the northeast United States, according to Mel Rich, president of Great Earth. Retail locations are currently concentrated primarily in California, Texas and the Midwest, but Great Earth recently began recruiting franchisees for locations in 40 states.

Feinglas said his first Great Earth units will be located adjacent to Modell's stores in Centereach (at Route 25 and Middle Country), Bayshore (2040 Sunrise Highway) and Lake Success (150 Union Turnpike). He said construction is already under way and employees are being recruited for specialized Great Earth training. The new Great Earth stores are scheduled to open just before Christmas.

Great Earth Vitamin Stores has grown to become one of the nation's largest vitamin and nutritional supplement chains. Since beginning operations nearly 20 years ago, Great Earth has pioneered development of a number of proprietary nutritional formulations.

In addition to the Great Earth chain, Evergood Products encompasses Great Earth Distribution and Phoenix Laboratories, which manufactures pharmaceuticals as well as Great Earth and private-label nutritional supplements. Evergood Products reported gross sales of over $22.6 million in fiscal 1989.

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CAMBRIDGE, MA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Bolt Beranek and Newman Inc. (BBN) Thursday announced the declaration of a semiannual dividend of 3 cents a share, payable Feb. 22, 1991 to shareholders of record at the close of business Feb. 7, 1991.

Headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., Bolt Beranek and Newman is a diversified high technology corporation. BBN undertakes contract research and development in computer, communications and acoustics technologies; builds medium-to-large scale systems including data communication networks, distributed simulation

and training systems, sensor and surveillance systems, and large-scale parallel processing computer systems; and develops and markets packaged data analysis software products.

For its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, BBN had sales of $262 million.

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PHOENIX (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) announced fares as low as $786 round-trip from Honolulu to Nagoya, Japan, when the carrier launches new daily non-stop service on Feb. 1, utilizing the 381-passenger Boeing 747.

America West will also offer round-trip fares to Nagoya starting as low as $1,006 round-trip from Phoenix and $1,049 from Las Vegas. The airline's Nagoya service will offer Arizona and Nevada a direct link to Japan for the first time. America West will offer three classes of service to Nagoya with 18 seats in first class, 69 in business class and 294 in the main cabin.

Cultural training programs for all customer service representatives will enhance the international service and many will be fluent in the Japanese language.

Nagoya ranks with Tokyo and Osaka as one of Japan's leading economic centers and as the country's third largest city with a population of more than 2 million.

Reservations for America West's Nagoya service can be made through travel agents or the America West reservations center at 800/247-5692.

America West has expanded its Nagoya flight schedule to include direct service from Nagoya to both Las Vegas and Phoenix.

HONOLULU	NAGOYA	NAGOYA	HONOLULU
Departs	Arrives	Departs	Arrives
1:25 p.m. (a)	5:35 p.m. (b)	7:35 p.m. (b)	7:25 a.m. (b)
2:00 p.m. (c)	6:10 p.m. (d)	8:10 p.m. (d)	8:00 a.m. (d)
PHOENIX	NAGOYA	NAGOYA	PHOENIX
Departs	Arrives	Departs	Arrives
9:35 a.m. (c)	6:10 p.m. (d)	7:35 p.m. (b)	9:40 p.m. (b)
		8:10 p.m. (d)	9:40 p.m. (d)
LAS VEGAS	NAGOYA	NAGOYA	LAS VEGAS
Departs	Arrives	Departs	Arrives

6:10 a.m. (c)	6:10 p.m. (d)	7:35 p.m. (b)	6:01 p.m. (b)
		8:10 p.m. (d)	6:01 p.m. (d)

(a) Tuesdays only. (b) Wednesdays only. (c) Daily except Tuesdays. (d) Daily except Wednesdays.

America West, the nation's number one carrier in on-time performance, operates a fuel-efficient fleet of 104 Boeing aircraft including 747s, 757s, 737s and de Havilland Dash 8s. The carrier recently acquired up to 118 Airbus A320s and will operate 16 of the new aircraft by mid-1991. America West offers convenient service with more than 650 daily flights from coast to coast and across the Pacific.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:CCE) announced today the completion of the 25 million share repurchase program initiated in December of 1988. During the fourth quarter, CCE repurchased approximately 1.5 million shares from both public shareholders and The Coca-Cola Company, completing the program on schedule. ''CCE's ability to make this kind of strategic investment without increasing its debt leverage is a testimony to the strength of our Company's cash flow generation capabilities '' said Brian G. Dyson, president and chief executive officer.

CCE also announced that its Board of Directors has approved a new share repurchase program of up to 15 million shares of its common stock. The shares will be repurchased over time and funded from excess cash flow. The timing for execution of share repurchase transactions will be a function of relative share price and generation of cash flow that maintains CCE's debt as a percent of total capital within previously announced targets.

To the extent CCE's debt to total capital ratio is below 55 percent resources will be allocated to share repurchase after discretionary capital expenditures and strategic acquisitions. At this debt to total capital level CCE will use excess cash flow for share repurchase as long as the stock price remains at an attractive operating cash flow multiple. When CCE's debt to total capital ratio exceeds 55 percent, CCE will only repurchase shares if they are trading at a significantly more attractive multiple of operating cash flow. At the end of 1990, CCE expects its debt to total capital ratio to be approximately 56 percent. Therefore, CCE does not expect to repurchase shares until the second or third quarter of 1991.

The Coca-Cola Company has indicated its intent to participate in the share repurchase program in order to maintain its ownership interest in CCE at 49

percent, consistent with its participation in the share repurchase program just completed. As a result, CCE will repurchase shares from both public shareholders and The Coca-Cola Company in connection with the 15 million share repurchase program.

Separately, CCE indicated it has adopted a recently issued accounting principle relating to underground fuel storage tanks. The principle defines the criteria that allow certain remediation expenditures to be capitalized. The Company currently estimates it will capitalize approximately $16 million in 1990 and an aggregate of $43 million during 1991, 1992 and 1993 for expenditures related to federal and state requirements for maintenance and use of its underground fuel storage tanks.

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PHOENIX (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) received its repair station certificate from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) which allows the airline to perform aircraft maintenance for other airlines, aircraft manufacturers and corporate customers, including airframe, engine, radio and other repairs.

In the past, America West could only perform maintenance for air carriers.

The FAA certificate allows America West to perform airframe repairs on Boeing 737-100/-200/-300s, Boeing 757-200s and de Havilland Dash 8-100/-200s. The airline is authorized to inspect, maintain, repair and modify the following engines: Pratt and Whitney model JT8 series, Pratt and Whitney Canada model PW120 series, CFM International model CFM56-3B series and Rolls-Royce model RB211 series. Complete engine overhauls are excluded.

The carrier is also authorized to perform aircraft plastic media dry stripping of 737s. In addition, America West can repair radio equipment such as VHF navigation equipment and accessories such as coffee makers.

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America West offers convenient service with more than 650 daily flights from coast to coast and across the Pacific to Hawaii.

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RANDOLPH, NJ (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Boonton Electronics Corp. (NASDAQ:BOON) announced Thursday the Sept. 30, 1990 fiscal year sales and net income.

For the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 sales were $12,711,682 compared to last years sales of $11,378,867. Net income of $327,305 compared to $55,126. Earnings per share were 25 cents vs. 4 cents a year ago.

Boonton Electronics Corp. designs, manufactures and sells electronic test and measurement instruments for RF and mircowave markets. Boonton is a leader in the power meter segment of that market.

Boonton Electronics Corp.
Financial Highlights
(audited)

	Fiscal Year Ended Sept. 30	
	1990	1989
Sales	$ 12,711,682	$ 11,378,867
Net income	327,305	55,126
Net income per share	$ .25	$ .04
Average number of shares outstanding	1,296,785	1,353,127

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UNION, NJ (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Transnet Corp. (NASDAQ Symbol: TRNT) Thursday announced that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase of up to 2 million shares of the company's common stock. The repurchases will be made from time to time in the open market and/or through private transactions at the company's discretion. There are a total of 5,066,804 shares outstanding.

Commenting on this decision by the board, Steven Wilk, president, stated, ''Based on the book value of approximately $2.00 per share and our optimism for the future, we believe that the stock, at its current price, is undervalued and therefore it is an opportune time to repurchase these shares.''

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DOUGLASTON, NY (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - New York Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:NYBC), the holding company for Home Federal Savings Bank, Ridgewood, N.Y., Thursday announced that its board of directors has declared a quarterly dividend of 25 cents per common share to holders of record at the close of business on Jan. 10, 1991, payable on Jan. 24, 1991.

Martin D. Dehler, chairman of the board, stated, ''In view of the company's continued strong performance and capital position, we are very pleased to be able to pay our second quarterly dividend to shareholders.''

New York Bancorp Inc., with total assets of over $1 billion dollars, operates six branches and five loan centers in the New York Metropolitan area through its sole subsidiary Home Federal Savings Bank.

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#90354b0665 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire
SARASOTA, FL (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Elcotel Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:ECTL), manufacturer of public communications products, announced Thursday that C. Shelton James has been elected to the Board of Directors as the fourth outside director.

The addition of James increases the Elcotel Board to six members. James is executive vice president of Fundamental Management Corp. which is the beneficial owner of approximately 5 percent of the outstanding shares of Elcotel.

The company also announced today the election of Don C. Fletcher as senior vice president and chief engineer of Elcotel.

George C. Pierce, chief executive officer, commented, ''Mr. James is an excellent addition to our Board. He was Executive Vice President of Gould, Inc. and President of its Computer Systems Division from 1980 to 1989. Previously, Mr. James was Vice President of Finance and Secretary/Treasurer of Systems Engineering Laboratories. His top management experience with these high technology businesses will significantly benefit Elcotel as we proceed with our turn-around program.

''The addition of Don Fletcher to our senior staff is equally important. Mr. Fletcher holds a PhD in Engineering Science from the California Institute of Technology and an undergraduate degree from MIT in Applied Mathematics. Until he joined Elcotel, Mr. Fletcher provided consulting services through his company, Macroplex Corporation, in signal processing, computer systems, and wave propagation. He has held senior engineering positions with R&D Associates, RCA, and System Engineering Laboratories,'' Pierce concluded.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Damon Group Inc. (OTC:DMNG), formerly American Magnetics Corporation, announced the results of Damon Corporation, its principal business unit, for Damon Corporation's fiscal year ended August 31, 1990.

For fiscal 1990, Damon Corporation's sales were $216.4 million, representing an 18 percent increase over Damon Corporation's revenues from the clinical laboratory business for fiscal 1989. Damon Corporation's earnings before depreciation, amortization, interest and taxes, and after minority interests (''EBDIT'') were $30.1 million, which equaled 3.3 times 1990's net cash interest expense (excluding amortization of financing fees) and 1.2 times total 1990's interest expense (excluding amortization of financing fees).

For fiscal 1990 Damon Corporation reported a net loss of $10.9 million and a net loss applicable to common shareholders of $20.7 million. Included in the fiscal 1990 results are non-cash charges related to depreciation and the amortization of goodwill and financing fees incurred in the acquisition of Damon Corporation, totaling $15.7 million. As a result of the acquisition of Damon Corporation in May 1989 and the resulting changes in the basis of accounting, Damon Corporation's 1990 financial statements are not comparable to certain prior historical financial information.

Robert L. Rosen, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of both Damon Group and Damon Corporation stated, ''During fiscal 1990 Damon Corporation completed its transformation into a pure clinical laboratory company while continuing to achieve strong revenue and EBDIT growth.'' Rosen noted, ''Damon Corporation had repaid its $50 million Bridge Loan and at August 31, 1990 had over $15 million of cash and unused lines of credit.'' Rosen also stated, ''Based on current conditions in our industry, I am encouraged about the outlook for Damon Corporation's fiscal 1991.'' Damon

Corporation is one of the leading clinical laboratory companies in the U.S.

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MARIETTA, GA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - A key order for eight P-3C Orion aircraft and the rollout and flight test of the two YF-22 Advanced Tactical Fighter prototypes highlighted a dynamic year for Lockheed (NYSE:LK) Aeronautical Systems Co.

The order for eight P-3C maritime patrol aircraft by the Republic of Korea navy will allow the company to reopen the Orion assembly line in Marietta, with delivery of the aircraft slated for 1995. The restart of the line is a move company officials hope will result in sales to other customers.

The P-3 win provided a lift for the company following the U.S. Navy's July termination of the P-7 project. That aircraft was also slated for assembly in Marietta.

The first Lockheed team-designed ATF prototype made its public debut Aug. 29 and its first flight Sept. 29. Since then, both prototype airframes have made a number of flights gathering performance data in support of the team proposal to the Air Force, to be turned in Jan. 2, 1991.

Lockheed, teamed on the ATF project with Boeing and General Dynamics, will perform final assembly of the next-generation fighter here, should the team be awarded the contract May 1.

In internal activities, the Lockheed Corp. board of directors voted in May to reorganize the aeronautical group into two separate, complementary companies, with headquarters in Marietta. All large scale production and modification will be centered in Marietta, while the specialized, classified projects will be done by the Lockheed Advanced Development Co. -- commonly known as the Skunk Works -- in Palmdale, Calif.

After two years of declining employment figures, the level in Marietta stabilized at about 10,000 during 1990. Some 500-600 people will move to Georgia in early 1991 under the company's consolidation, with another 300 jobs waiting on the ATF win before moving here.

LASC's long-running aircraft production program, the C-130 Hercules, continued in Georgia at a rate of three aircraft a month. During 1991, 38 aircraft were delivered, bringing the total to 1,955 aircraft delivered to U.S. military and commercial customers, and to customers in 62 other countries since the program began in 1955. Some 30 aircraft are on order by U.S. and foreign customers.

In the commercial arena, Lockheed won an extension to a contract with Boeing to produce through 1995 a variety of aircraft parts for Boeing's 700-series aircraft. Some of the parts will require machining in LASC's long parts processing facility, a state-of-the-art center designed to fabricate parts well over 100 feet long.

Boeing also named LASC to its Supplier Hardware Acceptance Program, which means LASC-produced parts have been consistently at such high quality levels, they bypass acceptance inspection by Boeing.

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Doug Oliver, 404/494-2701

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Alrom Corp. (traded over the counter) and American United Global Inc. (''AUG'') jointly announced Thursday the signing of a letter of intent whereby Alrom would acquire AUG in a stock transaction.

AUG is a manufacturer of O-rings and specialty seals with two facilities in southern California, one acquired in January 1989 and the other in August 1989 both via highly leveraged transactions.

Prior to the proposed transaction with Alrom, approximately $3.3 million of AUG debt is being converted into equity and the balance of the long term obligations are being restructured.

As proposed, Alrom will acquire the AUG common stock (including shares issuable pursuant to the restructuring referred to above) and will issue a total of 1,133,300 new shares of common stock.

Up to an additional 190,300 shares will be reserved for issuance subject to AUG stock option and stock bonus plans.

Alrom Corp. was organized for the purpose of acquiring or merging with another entity. Prior to the proposed transaction, there are 250,000 shares outstanding and 220,000 shares reserved for issuance upon the exercise of publicly held warrants and certain underwriter's warrants.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - ComputerLand Corp. and Hyundai Electronics America have signed a central purchasing agreement that adds Hyundai to ComputerLand's PC product line.

ComputerLand will be carrying a full line of Hyundai's laptop and desktop computers.

ComputerLand branches currently carrying the Hyundai product line include Decatur, Ill.; Nashville, Tenn.; Corpus Christi, Texas; Secaucus, N.J.; Dayton Columbus and Toledo, Ohio; and Advanced Digital Systems, with five stores in Michigan. These are in addition to the four California branches mentioned earlier, in San Luis Obispo, Santa Maria, Ventura and Santa Barbara.

Hyundai Electronics America is a major supplier of a full line of quality, reliable personal computer products that are competitively priced. Hyundai was recently ranked Number One in total satisfaction among major PC manufacturers in a survey of independent dealers and franchisees conducted by the market research firm, StoreBoard.

Hyundai's wide experience in electronics extends beyond personal computers to telecommunications products, industrial electronics and semiconductors, produced worldwide by Hyundai Electronics Industries Co. Ltd (HEI), of which Hyundai Electronics America is a subsidiary. HEI belongs to the $32 billion Hyundai Group, the largest industrial group of companies in Korea.

Hyundai is located at 166 Baypointe Parkway, San Jose, CA 95134; phone 408/473-9200.

ComputerLand Corp. operates the world's largest multi-vendor computer reseller network, serving the corporate customer, with branches in 31 countries. ComputerLand reported 1990 retail sales of $3 billion.

ComputerLand is located at 5964 W. Las Positas, Pleasanton, CA 94566-9012.

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BASKING RIDGE, NJ (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - AT&T Thursday predicted it will handle more than 90 million long-distance calls this Christmas, a record for holiday calling and an increase of nine percent over last Christmas.

AT&T's lower evening and night/weekend rates will be in effect all day on

Christmas and apply to AT&T state-to-state calls from all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. From 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Christmas Day, AT&T's prices will be 32 percent lower on average than its daytime prices. A 20-minute, direct-dialed, state-to-state call to anywhere in the continental United States on Christmas Day will cost less than $3.00.

Subscribers to AT&T Reach Out (R) America plans will receive additional savings depending on which plan they have.

Although AT&T handles between 110 to 120 million calls on an average business day, many of those calls are made to toll-free 800 numbers or placed on WATS lines, which are typically used by businesses. Fewer calls may be made on a holiday, but callers tend to talk longer so network use is heavy.

To get the most benefit from their holiday calling, AT&T suggests customers:
o Call between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. when calling within the United States. Calling volumes traditionally are lower. If calling internationally, consider calling Christmas Eve. o Be sure they've reached their chosen long-distance company at public phones while traveling over the holidays. AT&T customers need to listen for the AT&T name and, if they don't hear it, hang up and dial 10-ATT-0, then the number they're calling. o Dial directly, including international calls. Most customers can dial their own calls directly to more than 177 foreign countries and territories. Local telephone directories can help callers determine whether they can dial a specific country directly. If customers need international calling assistance, they can call 1-800-874-4000. o Callers who live in areas without international direct-dial service can make AT&T international calls at direct-dialed prices even though such calls must be placed by AT&T operators.

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BURBANK, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - MATTHEWS STUDIO EQUIPMENT GROUP (NASDAQ Symbol: MATT) Thursday announced that for the fiscal year ended September 30, 1990 revenues were $19,986,000, and net income was $456,000, or $.06 per share.

Revenues increased over 35% from fiscal 1989's revenues of $14,711,000, and net income increased by more than 230% over the prior year's $138,000, or $.02 per share.

The per share amount for fiscal 1990 was based on a substantially greater

number of average shares outstanding. Average shares outstanding in fiscal 1990 were 7,946,553 as compared to 5,843,333 in fiscal 1989.

The company noted that approximately two-thirds of the increase in revenues was attributable to the significant expansion of the operations of Hollywood Rental Co., MATTHEWS' equipment rental business. The remaining portion of the increase in revenues resulted from the operations of Innovative Television Equipment, a designer, manufacturer and marketer of camera support equipment used in film and television production, which was acquired during fiscal 1990, and from sales generated by other MATTHEWS manufacturing operations.

Commenting on the 1990 results, MATTHEWS Chief Executive Officers, Carlos De Mattos and Edward Phillips, stated that net income for the 1990 fiscal year was negatively impacted by significant first year costs and expenses associated with the expansion and added financial and administrative costs required to serve the needs of a growing company during its first year as a public company.

As MATTHEWS STUDIO EQUIPMENT GROUP enters its third decade, it is the preeminent provider of services to the worldwide motion picture, television and media production industries by supplying the professional equipment, accessories, supplies and other basic tools of the trade required in film, television, commercials, professional photography and theatrical productions.

These services are provided through MATTHEWS' manufacturing and rental ''one stop shop'' facilities.

MATTHEWS STUDIO EQUIPMENT GROUP & SUBSIDIARIES
Summary of Consolidated Operations
For the Year Ended
Sept. 30

	1990	1989
Revenues	$19,986,000	$14,711,000
Net income	$ 456,000	$ 138,000
Earnings per share	$ .06	$ .02
Average shares outstanding	7,946,553	5,843,333

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BURLINGTON, MA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - M/A-COM Inc. (NYSE:MAI) announced

Thursday the recent appointment of Jacqueline D. Arthur as vice president and treasurer, reporting to M/A-COM Chief Financial Officer Denis Maiorani.

Before joining M/A-COM, Ms. Arthur had been a member of the senior management team of Dennison Manufacturing Co. (now Avery Dennison Corp.) since 1986, most recently as senior vice president Strategic Planning and previously as vice president and treasurer. From 1967 to 1986, Ms. Arthur served The British Petroleum Co., p.l.c. as vice president-finance of BP North

America, as well as in other management positions.

Ms. Arthur holds a B.S. degree in economics and technology from City University in London, England. She is currently president of the Boston Treasurer's Club and a member of the Financial Executives Institute. She is a member of Northeastern's Corporation and serves on the advisory board of University of Massachusetts's College of Management.

M/A-COM is a leading producer of radio frequency, microwave and millimeter wave semiconductors, components and subsystems including missile guidance and electronic warfare. M/A-COM also supplies equipment used in electronic surveillance. The company's products are used primarily in defense electronics systems, but also have numerous commercial applications.

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#90354b0691 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire

LITTLE ROCK, AR (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Barnett Grace, chief executive officer of First Commercial Bank, N.A. (NASDAQ/NMS:FCLR), announced Thursday that Ron W. Strother has been elected president of FCB, effective at year-end.

Strother will also continue as FCB's chief operating officer and as chairman and chief executive officer of First Commercial Mortgage Co.

Grace, in commenting on this announcement, stated: ''Ron Strother is a career-long First Commercial banker whose contributions to FCB and First Commercial Mortgage Co. have been significant. His election as president of FCB represents an expansion of his management role to include direct executive oversight of the entire range of the bank's operational and tactical activities.

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RACINE, WI (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Modine Manufacturing Company expects to receive on Dec. 26 approximately $18.5 million in damages, including pre- and post-judgment interest, from its patent infringement lawsuit, Richard T. Savage, president and chief operating officer, announced today.

''We've been advised that the motion for a rehearing before the Appeals Court by the Allen Group's G&O Manufacturing Division has been denied,'' Savage said. ''Payment of the award is likely no later than December 26.''

In 1985, following many years of development, Modine obtained its basic patent on the Beta-Weld(R) radiator, which had its first and largest application on heavy trucks. The innovation became the first ''million-mile radiator,'' increasing structural durability and reliability by up to ten times over conventionally made radiators and also provided resistance to solder-coolant corrosion.

After the U.S. patent was issued, Modine filed the lawsuit in 1985 against the Allen Group's G&O Manufacturing Division, the largest infringer on the patent. A jury trial in 1989 in the Federal District Court for Northern California found that the patent was valid and that G&O had willfully infringed it. In January 1990, Modine accepted a judge's offer for damages of $14 million plus interest for lost profits because of the patent violation. This summer, Modine won an Appeals Court decision that upheld the validity of the patent and the willful infringement claim.

Modine, which is traded on the NASDAQ over-the-counter market as a National Market Issue, is an independent, worldwide leader in heat-transfer technology, serving vehicular, industrial, and building HVAC (heating, ventilating, air-conditioning) markets.

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Gerald J. Sweda, 414/636-1361.

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BOSTON (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Boston Edison Co. (NYSE:BSE) board of directors Thursday voted to raise the dividend on the company's common stock 4.0 percent to an annual rate of $1.58 per share, up from $1.52 per share.

Chief Executive Officer Bernard W. Reznicek stated ''Today's dividend increase is evidence of the company's confidence in its short and long-term financial prospects.''

The directors voted the following dividends to be paid Feb. 1, 1991 to holders of record as of Jan. 10, 1991:

A quarterly dividend of 39.5 cents per share on the common stock of the company, which is the 407th consecutive dividend to be paid to common shareholders by the Boston utility;

A quarterly dividend of $1.06 per share on the company's cumulative preferred stock, 4.25 percent series; a quarterly dividend of $1.19 per share on the company's cumulative preferred stock, 4.78 percent series; a quarterly dividend of $2.22 per share on the company's cumulative preferred stock, 8.88 percent series; and a quarterly dividend of $1.8175 per share on the company's cumulative preferred stock, 7.27 percent series.

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MIAMI (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Carom Capital Corp. (NASDAQ:CCCC) announced that it has extended the expiration date of its outstanding common stock purchase warrants which were due to expire at 5:00 p.m., New York Time, on Dec. 31 until 5:00 p.m., New York Time, on May 31, 1991.

The exercise price of such warrants as well as the other terms and conditions thereof will remain the same. Carom Capital Corp. stated that it may, but is under no obligation to do so, lower the exercise price of the warrants from time to time for limited periods of time.

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HAUPPAUGE, NY (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Standard Microsystems Corp. (NASDAQ:SMSC) sales and revenues were $22,503,000 for the third quarter ended Nov. 30, an increase of 18.3 percent compared to $19,017,000 for the corresponding quarter of the previous fiscal year.

This represents the highest level of sales and revenues for any quarterly period in the history of Standard Microsystems Corp. Licensing revenues included in sales and revenues for the three month period ended Nov. 30 were $2,761,000, as compared to $3,975,000 for the comparable period ended Nov. 30, 1989 and, for the nine month period ended Nov. 30 increased to $8,218,000, compared to $7,654,000 for the corresponding period of the previous fiscal year.

Net income for this third quarter was $412,000 or 4 cents per share, compared

to net income of $1,552,000, or 14 cents per share in the corresponding quarter of the previous fiscal year.

The decrease in net income was primarily the result of a decrease in licensing revenue of $1,214,000, reflecting certain non-recurring payments by one licensee in the corresponding quarter of the prior fiscal year and the continued downward price pressure on DRAM products manufactured by some of the company's patent licensees, increased costs incurred as a result of the legal proceedings initiated by Standard Microsystems Corp. against Texas Instruments Inc. (T.I.), which amounted to approximately $475,000, and higher levels of investment in research and development and publicity and advertising associated with the introduction of a more complete line of Ethernet (TM) products for the System Products Division.

For the nine months ended Nov. 30, sales and revenues were $63,825,000, compared to $56,063,000 for the corresponding period of the prior fiscal year. During this nine month period, the company recorded net income of $1,358,000, or 12 cents per share, compared to $3,270,000, or 29 cents per share for the comparable period of the previous fiscal year.

When comparing the nine month period ending Nov. 30 to the same period of the previous fiscal year, the primary items contributing to the overall decrease in net income are the cost associated with the T.I. litigation and the higher levels of investment in research and development and publicity and advertising for the System Products Division's new Ethernet products.

Standard Microsystems Corp. designs, develops, manufactures and sells standard custom and semicustom metal-oxide- semiconductor/very-large-scale-integrated (MOS/VLSI) circuits and System products (hardware and software) for use by original equipment manufacturers and end users.

The company's component products are focused primarily in the computer peripherals market with applications in Mass Storage, Communication and Networking. The company is a leading producer of Local Area Network products and is the largest manufacturer of ARCNET (R) coax, twisted pair and fiber optic System products. ARCNET is a registered trademark of the Datapoint Corp. Ethernet is a trademark of Xerox Corp.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - STARS (Satellite Transmission and Reception Specialists) announced Thursday that it has recently signed three major contracts for the construction, installation and maintenance of satellite communications systems to be deployed in Saudi Arabia.

The contracts call for the construction of eight transportable fully insulated shelters containing electronics and equipment for the satellite transmission of telephone communications. The units will enable STARS' customers to provide telephone communications to American service personnel between Saudi Arabia and the United States.

Customer commitments were obtained from mid-November through early December. In less than 30 days, STARS purchased and expedited delivery of component equipment from suppliers nationwide. STARS technicians and contract personnel worked around-the-clock to build the units to meet accelerated delivery deadlines.

STARS technicians and contract installation personnel are presently working on location in Saudi Arabia. Six of the units have been shipped from STARS' facility in Houston during the last 10 days. The two remaining units are scheduled to be shipped out of Houston this week. Additional STARS technicians will depart for the region shortly thereafter.

Security restrictions and contractual agreements prohibit the disclosure of specific terms and conditions of the transactions. However, STARS President and CEO David G. Olson said, ''The value of these equipment and service contracts will exceed several million dollars.''

Further, Olson stated, ''Our technical staff has done an outstanding job on the most demanding short-term project in which STRS has ever been involved. Once again, STARS employees have demonstrated the skill, teamwork, and dedication necessary to provide world-class service to our customers.

''We are all proud to be a part of providing telephone communication services to our American service personnel, and are particularly pleased with the commitment of the STARS technicians who volunteered for the on-location assignment in Saudi Arabia.''

STARS owns an international satellite communications network and maintains offices in Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Denver and Mexico City.

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Richard Ames, 713/438-3600

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INGLEWOOD, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The Hollywood Park Operating Co. has begun distribution of a package of financial information on the Hollywood Park companies to potential buyers.

The materials include publicly available information describing the operations

managements, assets and liabilities of Hollywood Park Operating Co. and Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises Inc., which owns Hollywood Park's land.

The Operating Co. once again called upon the Board of Realty Co. to join its effort to seek a buyer for the companies. The Operating Co. reiterated its commitment to find a buyer for the companies and maximize values for shareholders. It noted that R. D. Hubbard, a member of the Realty Board, is trying to take control of the companies without offering shareholders a price for their shares.

Hollywood Park's financial information is available from Batchelder & Partners Inc., 1010 Prospect St., Suite 300, La Jolla, Calif. 92037 or telephone 619/456-6655.

CONTACT: Sawyer/Miller Group, New York
Charles Perkins, 212/755-1700.

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CLEVELAND, OH (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Cleveland-Cliffs Inc. today reported that it expects to receive $66.9 million in cash and stock from Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corporation's bankruptcy reorganization plan that was confirmed by the Bankruptcy Court on December 18, 1990. Wheeling's distributions will begin following a ten day appeal period. After income taxes, Cliffs' net proceeds are expected to be $44.2 million or $3.78 per share.

Cliffs' pre-tax receipts are expected to consist of $56.0 million in cash and 968,889 shares of new Wheeling common stock. The stock is valued at $10.9 million based on a right to convert the stock to cash for $11.25 per share at a later date, expected to be late May, 1991.

Wabush Mines, a Canadian iron ore joint venture managed by Cliffs, is expected to receive U.S. $39.7 million, consisting of $33.3 million in cash and 568,889 shares of Wheeling stock valued at $6.4 million based on the cash conversion right. Cliffs' indirect share will be $2.9 million after tax, which will be retained in Wabush to fund required capital expenditures including a major emission control project.

The combined claims recoveries are expected to result in an after tax gain for Cliffs of $47.1 million, or $4.03 per share in the fourth quarter of 1990. Expenses of $1.0 million after tax have been previously recorded for pursuit of the Wheeling claim since April, 1985. Cliffs may receive an undetermined amount of additional cash and stock when Wheeling eventually settles all contested claims from a Disputed Claims reserve fund.

Cliffs' allowed claim against Wheeling reflected damages incurred when

Wheeling rejected certain ore purchase contracts and partnership obligations at the Tilden Mine, a Michigan iron ore facility managed by Cliffs, in 1985. Wheeling affirmed its 10-percent interest in the Empire Mine, also managed by Cliffs in Michigan, in 1989 which mitigated a substantial portion of Cliffs' original claims. Cliffs also has claims against Sharon Steel Corporation and LTV Steel Company which are in the process of reorganization under the bankruptcy laws. The Wabush claim arose from Wheeling's rejection of its interest in the venture.

In October, 1987, Cliffs initiated a plan to distribute to shareholders the net proceeds received from its bankruptcy claims in recognition of the losses incurred by shareholders in earlier years. The Board of Directors will consider the distribution of the Wheeling claim proceeds at its regular meeting on January 8, 1991.

Subsidiaries of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc manage six iron ore mines in North America and Australia. The Company holds a major iron ore reserve position in the United States and is a substantial iron ore merchant.

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216/694-5407.

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MIAMI (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - FRENCHTEX, INC., (NASDAQ Symbol:FRCH) Thursday announced the results of operations for the fiscal year end July 31, 1990, and unaudited first quarter results for the period ended October 31, 1990. The first quarter results reflect the major acquisition on July 31, 1990 by Frenchtex of 82 percent of Deritex, N.V., the second largest towel mill in Belgium.

Revenues for the first quarter ended October 31, 1990 increased 541% to $4,581,958 from $714,595 in the comparable quarter in fiscal 1989. The Company reported net income of $358,481, or $.20 per share, compared to net income of $47,313, or $.03 per share, for the same period last year. Net income in the first quarter of fiscal 1991 was untaxed because of tax loss carryforwards.

In commenting on the first quarter results, Don M. Waters, President of FRENCHTEX, Inc. stated, ''We are immediately profiting from Deritex, N.V.'s strong position and reputation in Europe as a quality towel manufacturer. New cost cutting programs have been and are continuing to be implemented to enhance profit performance. We anticipate that the Company will continue to increase its sales and profits for the next quarter and for the fiscal year.''

In view of the strong profit performance, the Board of Directors declared for

the first time a cash dividend of $.10 per annum for all shareholders of record as of January 10, 1991. The cash dividend will be distributed on January 18, 1991.

For the year ended July 31, 1990, revenues increased 136 percent to $3,080,749 from $1,306,915 for the 1989 fiscal year. The Company reported a net loss of $100,707, or $.05 per share compared to net income of $127,521, or $.10 per share for 1989.

Don M. Waters stated, ''Last year's loss was attributed to a sluggish economy and a weak dollar. These factors coupled with last year's inventory writedowns of several large retail customers caused a disappointing profit performance. We are extremely excited, however, about the major acquisition of Deritex, N.V. and the financial impact that the European performance has already produced during the first quarter of fiscal 1991.''

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Don M. Waters, 305/255-4300

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NEWARK, NJ (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - New Jersey Bell introduced a number of new services, invested millions of dollars in its network to ensure quality and made a major new commitment to state education in 1990.

Answer Call, Send-A-Call and 900 number blocking are examples of the new services that were introduced.

With Answer Call, each member of a household may have a ''voice mailbox'' and record a personalized greeting for callers. If a caller gets a busy signal or no answer, he or she may leave a message in the voice mailbox for the specific person being called.

The called party hears a ''stutter'' dial tone and knows that a message is waiting. Messages are retrieved by dialing a personal password to reach the appropriate mailbox.

A trial of similar service for public telephones, called Send-A-Call, was begun in Plainfield, N.J.

With Send-A-Call, public telephone users may leave a message if they get a busy signal or no answer when making a local call. The service attempts to deliver the message every 15 minutes for up to two hours if the line is busy and every 30 minutes for up to four hours if there is no answer.

To meet the needs of people who do not want calls to 700 and 900 service numbers to be made from their phones, an optional 700/900 blocking service was

introduced.

Residential and business customers may block calls to 700, 900 or both 700 and 900 numbers. A number of customer complaints about charges for calls to 900 numbers prompted New Jersey Bell to offer the blocking option.

Caller ID, the service that displays the number of the person calling before you answer the phone, continued to be very popular with customers. Nearly 100,000 people subscribed to the service. In addition, more than 60,000 people subscribed to the other CLASS Calling Service features like Return Call Call Block and Repeat Call.

A milestone was reached on March 18 when a digital electronic switch was installed on the Franklinville central switching offices, making New Jersey Bell's statewide network fully electronic.

Analog electronic and digital electronic switches make possible services such as the CLASS Calling Service features.

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SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - With the cooperation of the Department of Defense at the Pentagon, CREATIVE LEARNING PRODUCTS, INC. (NASDAQ Symbol: CLPI) has donated approximately 70,000 pieces of children's writing stationery and envelopes to Child Care Centers at military installations around the country that have experienved recent heavy deployment.

The stationery was sent to over 40 Child Care Centers with the help of the Office of Family Support & Services in Washington D.C. to be distributed to the young military children so that they may write to their parents, friends and loved ones currently stationed in the Midde East.

''This holiday season will be very difficult for many military children who have loved ones stationed overseas,'' said Carol Kulina, executive vice president of CREATIVE LEARNING PRODUCTS INC. ''It was our greatest pleasure to donate our children's stationery to the youngsters and assist them during this difficult time of transition.''

With the cooperation of a select number of vendors, including Parker Printing of Trenton, N.J., the company was able to make this endeavor possible.

CREATIVE LEARNING PRODUCTS is a manufacturer of high quality, educational and entertaining products for children. The company has an 'open order' contract with the Army & Air Force Exchange Service and has been involved with the

military resale sytem for several years.

CONTACT: CREATIVE LEARNING PRODUCTS INC., South Plainfield
Linda Oswald, 201/755-3666

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NAZARETH, PA (DEC. 10) BUSINESS WIRE - Nazareth National Bank, based in Nazareth, Thursday announced a $1.2 million contract with NCR to automate its network of seven branches.

The enterprise-wide solution includes branch/self-service, platform, teller and back-office NCR automation systems.

Nazareth National Bank is the first community bank in the United States to purchase the NCR System 3000, running NCR's Banker II software.

''This leading-edge computer system will enable us to provide our branch customers with faster service and remain competitive in today's rapidly changing marketplace,'' said S. Eric Beattie, president and chief executive officer of Nazareth National Bank. ''We selected NCR because of its open systems capabilities. The NCR System 3445 and related hardware/software will allow us to better serve our customers.''

Phase one of the bank's automation, scheduled for completion in May 1991, focuses on branch and teller automation, as well as updating the bank's back-office processing.

Nazareth National Bank is expanding its self-service capabilities and replacing its on-line teller systems. With the new NCR 5085 ATM features, customers can perform a wide range of financial transactions without the assistance of a customer service representative.

For example, customers will be able to instantly cash the entire amount of a check to the penny, or take a smaller sum and deposit the remainder. The NCR 5682 ATMs will allow customers to purchase Certificate of Deposits (CDs), and receive account statements and installment loan information. The new self-service system is scheduled for completion in first quarter 1991.

To enhance its back-office processing capabilities, Nazareth National Bank will install the NCR System 3445 running NCR's Banker-II software, a complete account processing system. It features a central database that enables the bank to generate complete customer profiles, combined statements, and unlimited automatic transfers between any accounts in the database.

Back office functions will be automated with 29 NCR 2900 CRT terminals, 26 NCR 386sx-based personal computers, 15 NCR 6417 printers and 3 NCR 6424 letter

quality printers. The bank is also implementing an NCR Tower-based Check Reader Sorter system for processing checks.

Nazareth National Bank, a $215 million regional bank, has seven branches in the Lehigh Valley area. In its 92nd year in the banking business, Nazareth National Bank continues to pursue its objetive of growth and community contribution.

NCR Corp. based in Dayton, Ohio, develops, manufactures, markets and supports business information systems for worldwide markets.

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Manning, Selvage & Lee, New York
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SAN MARCOS, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Natural Alternatives International Inc. (NASDAQ:NATA), manufacturer of specially formulated vitamins and minerals, anticipates a decline in revenues and a moderate loss in its fiscal second quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990, Mark A. LeDoux, president, said.

In the same quarter last year NAI had revenues of $2,694,052 and net income of $236,158 or six cents per share.

This year's second quarter was adversely affected by inventory adjustments among certain major customers which sharply reduced shipments during the period, LeDoux said. Indications are that previous order patterns will be restored in the third quarter, he added.

LeDoux said that NAI is negotiating with several large organizations for new private label distributing arrangements, and that he believes one of these programs will be consummated in time to contribute substantially to revenues and earnings in fiscal 1991's second half.

Founded in 1980, Natural Alternatives is a marketing-oriented company that formulates and encapsulates vitamins, micro nutrients and related nutritional supplements. The company provides innovative private-label vitamin products for specialty corporate or commercial customer accounts.

NAI's new Sonergy division markets the company's products to mass-market retailers such as supermarket and drug store chains.

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or
Loring Corporate Services Inc., New York
212/943-0620.

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BOSTON (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - State Street Boston Corp. Thursday increased its quarterly dividend $.01 per share, to $.18 per share.

The dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991, to stockholders of record as of Jan. 2, 1991.

The dividend has been increased every six months for the past 12 years. With the increase today, the current annual dividend rate is 13 percent higher than a year ago.

State Street is the largest provider of securities processing and recordkeeping services for U.S. mutual funds and pension funds.

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BOSTON (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - State Street Boston Corp. announced today the election of three new members of its board of directors.

Named as directors were Joseph A. Baute, chairman and chief executive officer, Markem Corp.; Truman S. Casner, partner, Ropes & Gray; and Nader F. Darehshori chairman and chief executive officer, Houghton Mifflin Co. Their election brings the total number of State Street directors to 21.

State Street Boston Corp. is a bank holding company. Its primary subsidiary, State Street Bank and Trust Co., is a leading servicer of financial assets, with more than $800 billion in worldwide assets under custody.

CONTACT: State Street Boston Corp., Boston
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DEER PARK, NY (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - As previously reported in Firecom's 10-Q (10-31-90) and as indicated in the second quarter earnings news release, Firecom's Capital And Surplus as of 10-31-90 was negative ($640,000).

This is despite the first six months net income of $461,000. The negative Capital And Surplus is due to prior year's losses associated with the operation and final sale of Firecom's Auth Company Division. NASD has a minimum Capital And Surplus requirement of $375,000 for continued listing on NASDAQ. Therefore, NASD has deleted Firecom from its Automated Quotation System.

Firecom stock will continue to be listed in the ''Pink Sheets''. Additionally Firecom's management had submitted a plan to NASD that called for the company to be in compliance of the minimum Capital & Surplus requirement by April 30, 1991. This plan included both operating earnings and raising new capital. While an exception by NASD was not granted to Firecom, if the company is able to implement these plans by March 15, 1991, then NASD will re-list Firecom on its Automated Quotation System.

CONTACT: Firecom Inc., New York
Douglas H. May, 718/899-6100

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SAULT STE. MARIE, MI (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Newberry Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:NEWBA) announces that its shareholders have Thursday approved a one for five reverse stock split on its outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock.

The effective date for the 1-5 stock split will be Dec. 27. Also the shareholders have approved changing the name of the outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock to Common Stock, $.005 par value, also effective Dec. 27.

CONTACT: Newberry Bancorp Inc., Sault Ste. Marie
Stephen Ranzini, 906/293-5164

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QUINCY, MA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Clean Harbors Inc. (NASDAQ:CLHB) Thursday announced that a group of three banks has approved the terms of a new $40 million revolving credit facility which will be used to refinance the company's current bank debt, which was approximately $27.5 million at Nov. 30, 1990.

At present, the company is able to meet all its current obligations, including scheduled amortization of its debt, with funds generated from operations. The company expects to complete its refinancing without having to raise additional capital and plans to meet its cash requirements, including scheduled capital expenditures, with internally generated funds and future borrowings under the new bank credit facility.

The company has decided to postpone its planned offering of senior and subordinated debt, which was announced in July 1990, as a result of its improved cash position and its reduced cash requirements in light of the recent denial of the permit for the proposed hazardous waste incinerator at its Braintree, Massachusetts facility.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The Board of Directors of NYNEX Corp. Thursday formally declared a quarterly dividend of $1.14, unchanged from the previous quarter, and payable Feb. 1, 1991 to holders of record at the close of business on Dec. 31, 1990.

The number of NYNEX common shares outstanding is approximately 199 million.

CONTACT: NYNEX, New York
Janine Mudge, 914/644-7236

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EVANSVILLE, IN (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Old National Bancorp (NASDAQ:OLDB) has declared a stock dividend and authorized the repuchase of up to 5 percent of its outstanding common shares.

Old National Bancorp Chairman, Dan W. Mitchell, said, ''The plan to repurchase common shares on the market is a continuation of a long-standing buy-back program which has facilitated our many stock dividends and has enabled our stock to maintain high value.''

The 1-for-20 stock dividend is payable Jan. 31, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 17, 1991 (ex-dividend date for broker trading - Jan. 11, 1991). The stock dividend results in an effective increase in the cash dividend yield since Old National expects to continue paying its current 21 cents per share quarterly cash dividend in 1991.

This is the fifth successive year-end 5 percent stock dividend declaration and the 10th stock dividend or split declared by Old National Bancorp since the holding company was formed in 1982.

In other action the board appointed Phelps L. Lambert to the board of directors. Lambert is the chairman and chief executive officer of Farmers Bank & Trust Co., Old National's affiliate bank in Henderson, Ky. He has been with Farmers Bank since 1978 and was a practicing attorney prior to joining

the bank.

An active supporter of the Henderson community, Lambert is a director of the Henderson/Henderson County Industrial Foundation and has served as director of the YMCA.

The Old National Bancorp board of directors also approved two promotions. Clyde W. Howlett and Steve H. Parker have been named senior vice presidents of the holding company.

Howlett has been with the Old National organization since 1962. He has managed the credit and commercial lending departments of Old National's lead bank in Evansville, and in 1987 was made vice president - chief credit officer for the holding company.

As such, he has been responsible for the lending divisions at all affiliate banks. A native of Louisville, Howlett earned an Associate of Arts Degree from Los Angeles Junior College and attended Los Angeles University. He is a 1968 graduate of the Stonier Graduate School of Banking.

Parker joined the holding company in 1985 as vice president - chief financial officer and has been responsible for financial management throughout Old National Bancorp since that time. He is a certified public accountant who began his career in 1973 with Arthur Andersen & Co. in Indianapolis, where he was the manager of the audit division.

Parker graduated from Ball State University in 1973 with a B.S. Degree in Accounting. He has an M.B.A. from Vanderbilt University.

In announcing the promotions, Mitchell noted, ''Both Mr. Howlett and Mr. Parker have played leading roles in building our holding company through numerous mergers and they have implemented important internal quality control programs which are serving us well currently and will be most useful in the company's future.''

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Susan Rosenberg, 812/464-1442
Steve Parker, 812/464-1266

-30- 3355

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OCONOMOWOC, WI (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Stokely USA Inc. announced Thursday that it has reached an agreement in principle with Del Monte Foods for the purchase of a Del Monte Foods processing plant located in Wells, Minn.

The plant, which processes peas and corn, currently has annual production capacity of approximately 2 million cases. An ongoing supply contract is part

of the transaction. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

''The Wells plant will provide us with needed capacity and allow us increased production flexibility,'' Stokely Chairman Joseph B. Weix stated. ''It will be our first facility in the productive southern Minnesota growing area. The addition of this region to our already diverse base of growing areas will improve the stability of our raw product supplies, quality and pricing.''

Peter J. Krull, who is currently assistant plant manager at the Wells facility will assume the position of plant manager for Stokely. He has been with Del Monte for 16 years in various production and agricultural positions.

Stokely USA processes and markets a broad range of canned and frozen vegetables, fruits, tomato products and juices under the nationally recognized Stokely's Finest(R), Stokely's Singles(R) and other brand labels; under customer private labels; and to the food service industry. Headquartered in Oconomowoc, Stokely operates 18 processing facilities in the Midwest, Pacific Northwest and Mexico.

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Stephen W. Theobald, 414/567-1731

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The Quick & Reilly Group Inc. reported earnings of 22 cents per share or $2,071,013 for the third quarter ending Nov. 30, 1990 vs. 29 cents per share or $2,767,916 for the previous year's third quarter.

The results for the nine month period ending Nov. 30, 1990 were 93 cents per share or $8,783,602 vs. 94 cents per share or $8,912,401 for the previous year's nine month period ending Nov. 24, 1989.

A spokesman for the firm said that commission and interest income were lower due to individual investors' cautious attitudes toward the market following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait in August.

Quick & Reilly Inc. opened branch offices in Sarasota, Fla., and New Orleans, La., bringing its total number of offices to 67. Another branch is slated to open Jan. 7, 1991 in Birmingham, Ala.

Quick & Reilly Group Inc. purchased 242,200 shares of its stock in open market purchases since Aug. 28, 1990.

CONTACT: Quick & Reilly Group Inc., New York Leslie C. Quick III, 212/943-8772

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TIMONIUM, MD (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Kirschner Medical Corp. (NASDAQ:KMDC) has announced a change in its Corporate Management.

Effective immediately, C. Scott Harrison, M.D., a member of the board of directors since January, 1989, will serve as chairman of the board and chief executive officer. The former chairman, Kirby L. Cramer, will become chairman of the executive committee of the board. Bruce Hegstad will continue to serve as president.

Harrison is president of Orthopedic Surgeons Ltd., a multi-service Harrisburg orthopedic group. He is a Clinical Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at the Penn State University Medical Center and Chief of Orthopedic Surgery at Harrisburg Hospital in Harrisburg, Pa. He will devote his full time to the Kirschner business.

Harrison brings to Kirschner a wide business and professional experience. He was a founding partner and board member of Rehab Hospital Service Corp., a highly successful chain of private rehabilitation hospitals. He has worked to develop specialized orthopedic implants and has broad experience in reconstructive and spinal surgery. As a consultant in the Third World, and a former trauma surgeon in the Vietnam war, he brings an international perspective to Kirschner. As a member of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons and the Scoliosis Research Society, as well as numerous other medical societies, he brings to Kirschner management a pragmatic view of the future direction of orthopedics.

Kirschner develops, manufactures and markets orthopedic instruments and implants including reconstructive surgery and trauma devices, orthopedic support products and medical endoscopic systems.

The company operates facilities in Timonium; Fair Lawn, N.J.; Delray Beach., Fla.; Marlow, Okla; Hopkinton, Mass.; and Valencia, Spain.

CONTACT: Kirschner Medical Corp., Timonium
John E. Barham, 301/560-3333

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COHASSET, MA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Paul E. Bulman, president and CEO of Hingham Institution for Savings (''Hingham''), and Donald E. Bates, president and CEO of Cohasset Savings Bank (''Cohasset''), jointly announced Thursday that the boards of directors of the two banks have agreed in principle to the merger of Cohasset with and into Hingham.

The merger would provide for the shareholders of Cohasset to receive a number

of Hingham shares, representing Cohasset's contribution to the capital of the combined organization. Hingham shareholders would continue to hold Hingham shares. The exact exchange ratio and other material terms of the merger are expected to be negotiated in the near future.

The agreement announced today is subject to the execution of a definitive merger agreement between the parties and approval of the shareholders of both banks. The merger is also subject to various regulatory approvals, including those of the Massachusetts Commissioner of Banks and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

Hingham maintains banking offices in the towns of Hingham, Hanover and Hull. On Sept. 30, 1990, total assets wre $153,951,000 and stockholders' equity totaled $15,750,000, for a book value of $12.60 per share.

Cohasset maintains banking offices in the towns of Scituate and Cohasset. On Sept. 30, 1990, total assets were $65,749,000 and stockholders' equity totaled $11,825,000, for a book value of $11.79 per share.

The stock of both banks is quoted and traded on the NASDAQ National Market System with Hingham under the symbol ''HIFS" and Cohasset under the symbol ''CHTB.''

CONTACT: Cohasset Savings Bank, Cohasset
Donald E. Bates, 617/545-8122

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POCASSET, MA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Datamarine International Inc. (NASDAQ:DMAR), announced Thursday that it has appointed Mark R. Rosenzweig to serve as president and chief executive of the company.

David C. Thompson will continue as chief operating officer.

Thompson, who is based in Seattle, served as acting chief executive. He was praised for his leadership and for his contributions to Datamarine during the period of transition.

Rosenzweig was formerly group vice president at Adams-Russell Co. of Burlington, Mass., and upon its acquisition by M/A-COM Inc. became group vice president of that company's Signal Processing Components Group. Rosenzweig is 44 and brings to Datamarine 22 years of experience in electronics marketing, product development, and manufacturing.

Datamarine International Inc., a NASDAQ listed company, is a major supplier of navigation instruments and communications equipment under the Datamarine and SEA brands, and of industrial flow measuring equipment under the name Data

Industrial. It has operations in Pocasset, Mass., and Seattle.

CONTACT: Datamarine International Inc., Pocasset
Geoffrey W. Kreiger, 508/563-7151

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BOSTON (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Candela Laser Corp. (CLZR), the General Hospital Corp. (MGH) and Technomed International announced Thursday the settlement of the patent suit previously brought by Candela and MGH and the counterclaims filed by Technomed.

Candela has granted Technomed a license under the patent. Financial terms were not disclosed.

CONTACT: Technomed International, Boston
Jean-Luc Boulnois, 508/774-6700

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WAYLAND, MA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Candela Laser Corp. (CLZR), the General Hospital Corp. (MGH) and Technomed International announced Thursday the settlement of the patent suit previously brought by Candela and MGH and the counterclaims filed by Technomed.

Candela has granted Technomed a license under the patent. Financial terms were not disclosed.

CONTACT: Candela Laser Corp., Wayland
Gerard E. Puorro, 508/358-7637

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BLOOMFIELD, NJ (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Kuslima Shogen, president of Alfacell Corp. announced Thursday that the company had executed a letter of intent with Access Securities Inc. of Stamford, Conn., pursuant to which, Access Securities Inc. has agreed to sell, on a private placement, best efforts basis, Units consisting of convertible preferred stock and common stock purchase warrants.

Gross proceeds to the company as a result of this offering are expected to raise up to $5.6 million, and an additional $10 million in the event all the warrants are exercised.

Alfacell's anti-tumor agent, P-30 Protein is currently in clinical trials in

patient volunteers pursuant to FDA approved protocols. These studies are being conducted in cancer centers specializing in the applications of new experimental cancer treatment agents at nominal cost to the company.

CONTACT: Alfacell Corp., Bloomfield
201/748-8082.

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#90354b0785 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire

HOUSTON (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Donald R. French, president of Westworld Resources Inc. announced Thursday that the board of directors declared a 10 cents per share special cash dividend on its common stock (10 cents per share par value) to shareholders of record as of 5 p.m. CST on Jan. 3, 1991.

The dividend will be payable on Jan. 18, 1991.

Westworld Resources Inc. is a gold and silver mining company based in Houston.

CONTACT: Westworld Resources Inc., Houston Donald R. French or Jeffrey L. Powers, 713/682-6111

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HUNTSVILLE, AL (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Chris H. Horgen, chief executive officer of Nichols Research Corp. (NASDAQ:NRES), Thursday released the operating results for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

Revenue from contracts amounted to $21,106,108, for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, as compared to $15,934,474 for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1989. This represents an increase in revenues from contracts of 32 percent over the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1989.

Net income was $1,077,684 for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, as compared to $870,721 for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1989, for an increase in net income of 24 percent over the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1989.

Earnings per common share amounted to 30 cents for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, as compared to 24 cents for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1989, for an increase in earnings per common share of 25 percent.

The company's backlog was $287,929,768, including options of $100,958,634 at Nov. 30, 1990, as compared to $199,126,372, including options of $81,356,127 at Nov. 30, 1989.

New contract awards amounted to $41,048,850 for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, as compared to $18,140,473 for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1989.

Nichols Research Corp. is a Huntsville-based company which provides advanced technical services for military systems through contracts and subcontracts with agencies of the Department of Defense and NASA. The company's stock is traded on the Over-The-Counter Market under the NASDAQ symbol: NRES.

CONTACT: Nichols Research Corp., Huntsville
Patsy L. Hattox, 205/883-1170 ext. 1447
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MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Allied Telesis Inc., ATI, has moved to a new, 29,000 sq. ft. manufacturing and marketing facility in Mountain View, Calif.

The three-year-old company grew consistently throughout 1990 and projects annual sales of its LAN (Local Area Network) building blocks to reach $34 million, with revenues expected to double in 1991.

Allied Telesis is also a leading supplier in Japan, and has recently established European subsidiaries in the U.K. and Germany. ATI supplies a broad array of computer networking products, which it markets as building blocks in the creation of local area and enterprise networks. The company operates on a global scale through distributors and dealers.

''In the simplest terms, the reason for our rapid growth is that we provide superior quality products at extremely competitive prices,'' says Takayoshi Oshima, president and founder of the company.

''Of course, we have also developed strong relationships with our channels of distribution, and we have been steadfast in introducing only products that conform with published standards -- the investments of both our customers and our resellers are therefore protected.''

Allied Telesis manufactures and markets transceivers, bridges, concentrators, network interface cards and a variety of other products used to create and manage computer networks.

For more information, contact: Allied Telesis Inc., 575 Middlefield Rd., Mountain View, CA 94043. Telephone: (415) 964-2771. Fax: (415) 964-0944.

CONTACT: Gagliano Public Relations, Mountain View
Joe Gagliano, 408/985-6631.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - United Airlines' friendly skies are matched on the ground with donations of nearly 30 tons of surplus food every month to people in need in 10 U.S. cities where the airline's flight kitchens are located.

''United has strong connections to the communities that host our operations,'' said Stephen M. Wolf, chairman and president. ''We serve the traveling public but we also believe in supporting those who may not have the privilege of flying.''

The surplus food program, which started last summer in Denver, is working now in Boston, Chicago, Detroit, Honolulu, Newark, N.J., Philadelphia, San Francisco, Seattle, and Washington (See note below).

United's flight kitchens prepare approximately 165,000 meals for more than 150,000 customers every day.

Donations consist of fresh trimmings from lettuce and tomatoes, surplus fruit, eggs and cheese, day-old breads, meat carvings, extra packaged snacks, crackers and cookies, as well as bulk items such as chocolate chips or canned mango slices that are no longer part of a current menu.

United employees package the surplus food, and local social service organizations pick up the donations on a regular basis. Larger kitchens, such as those in Denver and Chicago, contribute as much as 500 pounds of food each day to these agencies.

''If United stopped its donations,'' commented Elizabeth Horn, executive director of the Central Denver Community Service Center, ''nearly one-third of our clients would go unserved.''

In the San Francisco Bay area, United's donations are meeting an especially urgent need. According to the Second Helping food bank, 40 percent of all people seeking food assistance are children under the age of 12.

''Not only has United donated protein snacks that are perfect for an agency that caters to people forced to live on the streets, but, more importantly, United has donated milk for thousands of children who would otherwise be deprived of this important source of calcium,'' said Maria Sonnen, program coordinator.

CONTACT: United Airlines, Chicago
Joe Hopkins, 708/952-5770 (Night: 708/952-4088).

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FORT WAYNE, IN (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The Lincoln National Life Insurance Co. and Dai-ichi Life Insurance Agency (U.S.A.) Inc. have signed agreements to market managed health care products and pension products to affiliates of Japanese companies in the United States.

These agreements are part of a series of reciprocal business relationships established between the two companies as the result of a strategic alliance announced in June between Lincoln National Corp., parent company of Lincoln National Life, and Dai-ichi Mutual Life, parent company of Dai-ichi Life (U.S.A.).

Under the agreement, Dai-ichi will work with Lincoln National's sales force and contracted brokers to provide Lincoln National products to Dai-ichi's Japanese customers who have business operations in the United States.

Signing the agreement for the group life-health products of Lincoln National Life and Lincoln National Administrative Services Corp. were John P. Cole, executive vice president and chief executive officer of the Employee Benefits Division, and Carolyn M. Nightingale, vice president of marketing. Signing for Dai-ichi Life (U.S.A.) were Shoichi (Steve) Tatsuta, president, and Kazunori Yamaguchi, executive vice president.

Signing the agreement for the Pension Investment Division of Lincoln National Life was Michael E. McMath, senior vice president of corporate pensions. Tatsuta signed for Dai-ichi Life (U.S.A.).

Under terms of the managed health care agreement, Dai-ichi will recommend and promote Lincoln National's products to its customers in those markets where Lincoln National operates provider networks. The agreement between the two companies also involves a reinsurance contract signed by Lincoln National and Dai-ichi on October 31.

Under similar terms of the pension investment agreement, Dai-ichi Life will recommend and promote Lincoln National's pension products to its U.S.-based customers.

Lincoln National's Pension Investment Division provides individual and commingled investment accounts as well as administrative services to sponsors of qualified retirement and savings plans. Assets under management exceed $4.6 billion.

Dai-ichi Mutual Life is the third largest insurer in the world. It reported assets of $110 billion and revenues of $33 billion at the end of its fiscal year in March.

The Employee Benefits Division of Lincoln National ranks among the nation's 10 largest health insurers and managed care companies. The company operates in nearly 40 major markets throughout the United States, managing provider

networks in more than 115 cities. Lincoln National Administrative Services Corp. manages the company's health maintenance organizations, in addition to providing administrative services for self-insured employer groups.

Lincoln National Life is an affiliate of Lincoln National Corp. (NYSE:LNC), the nation's seventh largest multiline insurance holding company. With headquarters in Fort Wayne, Lincoln National provides property-casualty insurance, employee life-health benefits, individual life, reinsurance and investment products through its companies. Its assets total $26 billion with revenues exceeding $8 billion.

CONTACT: Lincoln National Corp., Fort Wayne
Bob Jones, 219/455-3208.

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BLUE BELL, PA (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Unisys Corp. Thursday announced new reporting relationships in its U.S. sales and marketing organization that will move decision making and resource allocation closer to the customer.

Effective Jan. 1, 1991, a group vice president in each of the four geographic regions of U.S. Information Systems (USIS) will have complete operational and financial responsibility for Financial Systems and Commercial Systems line of business (LOB) sales and marketing, Customer Technical Services, Regional Product Marketing and the finance and human resources functions.

The worldwide LOB structure of the Airlines group will facilitate the USIS launch of the Network Applications Platform, an important Communications Industry LOB product, in international markets.

The four new regional group vice presidents, reporting to Braun, are: George R. Gazerwitz, Eastern Region, Berkeley Heights, N.J.; Fred J. Farinacci, Central Region, in Chicago; Robert R. Tway, Southern Region, Atlanta and Richard L. Roll, Western Region, Santa Ana, Calif.

Unisys also announced David C. Drechsel has been named USIS vice president of marketing reporting to Braun. In addition to the existing USIS marketing functions, he will be responsible for Major Account Marketing and line of business industry specialists in the commercial, financial and public sectors.

Gerry A. Gagliardi was named vice president, Customer Support Services which remains a separate group supporting all of USIS, with strong functional accountability to the regional group vice presidents. J. Lee Hillberg was named vice president of Customer Technical Services.

CONTACT: Unisys Corp., Blue Bell
J. Peter Hynes, 215/986-6948.

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#90354b0801 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire
DUBLIN, OHIO (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - ACCEL International Corp. Thursday announced the repurchase of 486,202 shares of its common stock at $9 per share from Eli I. Zborowski.

ACCEL's book value per share at Sept. 30, was $11.63. The repurchase was made from internally generated funds. Pursuant to the repurchase agreement approved by the board of directors, Zborowski resigned as a director. After completion of this transaction, ACCEL's outstanding common shares are 4,424,260.

ACCEL International Corp. is a Dublin-based holding company that provides specialty insurance products and services through its life and casualty subsidiaries, operating throughout the United States.

CONTACT: ACCEL International Corp., Dublin Melodye R. Demastus, 614/764-7000

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DALLAS (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Sunshine Mining Co. (NYSE:SSC) announced Thursday that its wholly owned subsidiary, Sunshine International Exploration Co., has entered into a joint venture agreement with Mallon Mining Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of Mallon Resources Corp. and with Red Rock Ventures Inc., for the conduct of gold mining operations and exploration in the Guanacaste Province of Costa Rica.

The joint venture will be known as the ''Rio Chiquito Mining Co.'' Sunshine Mining Co. has the option to earn a 50 percent interest in and become the manager of the venture after complete analysis of all available data including a recently completed 13,000 foot drilling program.

If Sunshine elects to proceed, Mallon will retain a 35 percent interest in the project while Red Rock Ventures will retain 15 percent.

The 36-hole drilling program, designed to define a minimum of 300,000 ounces of gold which could be mined starting as early as mid-1991 by open pit methods was completed on Dec. 10. The preliminary assay results from the first 30 holes indicate that 16 holes contain ore grade mineralization across mineable widths, while 11 holes intersected mineralization in excess of .10 ounces per ton gold.

The widest intercept assayed .149 ounces per ton gold across 79 feet: the best grade intercept to date is 14.8 feet at .484 ounces per ton gold. This initial drilling program investigated only one of four major target areas on

the 15,000 acre concession area. It is believed that the potential of the concession could exceed 1 million ounces of gold.

CONTACT: Sunshine Mining Co., Dallas
Harry B. Ireland, investor relations, 214/855-8799.

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MEMPHIS, TENN (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Seven Oaks International Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:QPON) Thursday announced that it has obtained a new two-year, $12 million line of credit.

Funds from the new financing have been used to eliminate the company's other credit agreements and will be sufficient to provide additional working capital to support Seven Oaks' clearinghouse operations.

Frank J. Donato, chief executive officer, said that the company remains committed to reducing its borrowings further. He remarked, ''The projected trend in our coupon volume indicates that we will likely utilize at least a portion of the new credit facility through the close of fiscal 1991.

''Our intent, however, is to continue adjusting our customer base to minimize the level of borrowings and interest expense.''

Donato highlighted the results of the company's actions to date by noting that the borrowings at the end of October were down $20.1 million from the start of fiscal 1991 and represented a reduction of $46.2 million from the level outstanding less than two years ago at the beginning of fiscal 1990.

He said, ''The resulting benefit to Seven Oaks has been a sharp reduction in interest expense. In the second fiscal quarter, interest expense declined 58 percent from a year ago. The expected downward trend in this expense item over the remainder of fiscal 1991 will importantly support our efforts to restore Seven Oaks' profitability.''

Seven Oaks International operates as a clearinghouse between retailers and product manufacturers in processing cents-off coupons. The company's common shares are traded over-the-counter under the National Market System symbol QPON.

CONTACT: Seven Oaks International, Memphis Tommy R. Thompson, 901/683-7055

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#90354b0811 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire
TUPELO, MS (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of Mississippi (NASDAQ: BOMS) is the successful bidder for the building which formerly served as the main

office of Unifirst Bank for Savings in Jackson.

The eight story brick and marble structure, located at Capitol and State Streets, was purchased from the Resolution Trust Corp.

Bank of Mississippi also purchased the building which housed a Unifirst branch on Pear Orchard just north of County Line Road in Madison County.

The bank has also purchased property at Crossgates in Brandon for a new branch location. That property was also owned by Unifirst.

Aubrey B. Patterson Jr., president and chief executive officer of Bank of Mississippi said, ''The acquisition of these two structures along with two United Mississippi branches purchased last month has positioned us to compete successfully and to increase our share of the Jackson metropolitan market.

Patterson added, ''The purchase price of the building at Capitol and State, the Pear Orchard location, the property in Brandon, plus associated renovation and construction, amounts to a total investment in excess of $6 million.

''We see this as a sound investment in Mississippi's largest financial market.'' Work on the renovations will begin immediately and should be completed in late spring.

The former Unifirst building, built in 1960, is located on the southwest corner of the intersection of Capitol and State streets. The banking and office space comprise 84,972 square feet, and there is an adjoining paved parking lot of approximately 32,280 square feet.

CONTACT: Bank of Mississippi, Tupelo
Harry Baxter, 601/680-2410

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#90354b0813 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - The directors of Washington Gas Light Co. Thursday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 51 cents per share of common stock.

The quarterly dividend is payable Feb. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record on Jan. 10, 1991. This is the 140th consecutive year for which dividends have been paid.

Regular dividends also were declared today on all classes of the company's preferred stock as follows:

Class of Seriel Preferred Stock	Dividend Per Share

$ 4.25 Series	$ 1.06-1/4
$ 5.00 Series	$ 1.25
$ 4.60 Series	$ 1.15
$ 4.80 Series	$ 1.20
$ 4.36 Series	$ 1.09

Dividends on preferred stock also are payable Feb. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record on Jan. 10, 1991.

CONTACT: Washington Gas Light Co., Washington
Cate Barnett, 202/624-6467, (home) 703/370-3440
Roberta Schuman, 202/624-6042, (home) 202/686-3819

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MONTGOMERY, Ala. (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Blount Inc. (ASE:BLT.A) Thursday reported net income of $4.2 million (35 cents per share) for the third quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

This compares to net income of $3.4 million (28 cents per share) during last year's third quarter. This year's results include a $1.2 million (10 cents per share) after-tax extraordinary gain from the repurchase of $13.8 million of the company's subordinated notes.

Last year's results included a $.5 million (4 cents per share) net loss from discontinued operations. Third quarter sales and revenues were $185.2 million compared to $165.2 million last year.

For the nine month period ended Nov. 30 Blount reported net income of $4.2 million (35 cents per share), compared to net income of $12.8 million ($1.06 per share) in the prior fiscal year's nine month period.

Last year's nine month results included $6.4 million (53 cents per share) income from the resolution of tax matters principally related to foreign tax credits and royalties and a $2.9 million (24 cents per share) loss from d)3conw3/42pPoperations. Year-to-date sales and revenues were $528.9 million compared to $528.2 million in the prior year.

R. William Van Sant, Blount Inc. president and chief executive officer, said: ''We are generally pleased with the quarter's results, especially given the state of the economy and current situation in the Persian Gulf. Our emphasis during the balance of the year will be to minimize the impact of a softening economy while maintaining longer-term programs for growth and building value.''

The Outdoor Products segment had a good quarter, reporting operating income of $8.6 million and sales of $55.9 million compared to $7.9 million in operating income and $47.1 million sales in last year's third quarter.

Nine month operating income was $14.9 million compared to $15.1 million last year while sales increased to $143.1 million from $125.1 million the prior year.

Current year results reflect increased expenditures related to new product development and the implementation of new manufacturing systems at the Oregon Cutting Systems Division. The division also experienced costs associated with a two-month shutdown of its Brazilian factory due to conditions affecting that country's economy. Contributions from Dixon Industries Inc., acquired April 1990, are consolidated in the segment's results.

Operating income from Industrial and Power Equipment was $.9 million compared to $1.6 million last year. Sales were $22 million compared to $24.5 million last year. For the nine month period sales were $68 million and operating income was $2.8 million compared to last year's sales of $69.3 million and operating income of $3.2 million.

Current year results reflect lower order levels due to economic conditions affecting the operation's principal markets, particularly pulp/paper and forestry products. The results also include increased expenditures related to the startup of manufacturing operations at the group's new facility in Owatonna, Minn.

CONTACT: Blount Inc., Montgomery Dave Rickey, 205/244-4369

-30- 3344

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - A special meeting of shareholders of Global Utility Fund Inc. (NYSE: GL) was held Thursday in New York and shareholders approved a proposal to open-end the fund.

The fund expects to convert to an open-end fund and commence a continuous public offering of its shares in February, 1991.

Upon conversion, shares of the fund will be offered to the public with a front-end sales charge and a Rule 12b-1 distribution fee and will no longer be listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Shareholders will then be able to redeem their shares at net asset value, except that a redemption fee of two percent during the first month and one percent during the second month after conversion will be imposed by the fund on all redemptions. A prospectus describing how to purchase and redeem shares will be available upon conversion.

Global Utility Fund Inc. is a diversified management investment company whose investment objective is to provide total return, without incurring undue risk, by investing in income producing equity and debt securities of domestic and foreign companies in the utility industries. As of Dec. 14, 1990, the closing

market price of the Fund's shares was 10-3/4 and its net asset value per share was $11.48 per share. Wellington Management Co. is the Fund's Investment Advisor. For further information on the Fund, call 212/214-3334.

CONTACT: Global Utility Fund Inc., New York
212/214-3334

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#90354b0827 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire

TARRYTOWN, NY (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - Storebrand America announced Thursday that it will buy up to 290,000 additional shares of the common stock of Belvedere Corp. (AMEX: BLV).

Storebrand currently owns 49.9 percent of Belvedere's common stock and, pursuant to a 1989 agreement with Belvedere, is authorized to purchase up to an additional 5 percent.

Subject to market price and availability, Storebrand will purchase up to an additional 5 percent in an open market purchase program or through privately negotiated transactions. Storebrand America is a subsidiary of the Storebrand Companies based in Oslo, Norway.

CONTACT: Storebrand America Inc., Tarrytown
Donald A. Emeigh Jr. 914/333-9206

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#90354b0847 12/20/1990 ~Business Wire

RAHWAY, NJ (DEC. 20) BUSINESS WIRE - In response to inquiries Merck Thursday announced that it has entered two closely related compounds into very preliminary Phase I human studies as potential therapies for AIDS.

Both compounds are reverse transcriptase inhibitors -- that is, they interfere in the test tube and in cultured human cells, with the activity of an enzyme called reverse transcriptase which is produced by the virus and is necessary for its growth.

The purpose of these Phase I studies is to determine the safety, tolerability and the pharmacokinetics of the compounds. For example, how are the compounds absorbed, what are the safe doses, how often can they be given, and how should they be formulated so that they can be delivered in the body where needed? Until Merck has that information -- and that will take some time, even under the accelerated development schedule -- the company will not be able to determine whether the compounds actually have an antiviral effect in people.

While Merck is proceeding as expeditiously as possible, and in close cooperation with the National Institutes of Health and the Food and Drug

Administration, company officials stress that most compounds at such an early stage of investigation fail. Indeed, during the past several years, Merck has had antiviral AIDS compounds which have failed in test tube or animal studies because they proved toxic, ineffective, or inadequate in terms of absorption or use.

CONTACT: Merck & Co. Inc., Rahway
John Doorley, 908/594-4081 (office) or 201/232-2052 (home)
or
Linda Distlerath, 908/594-4165 (office) or 201/635-6367 (home)

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STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:19 that trade in Baldwin Security Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol BAL.

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STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:45 that trade in CMS Energy Corp. has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol CMS.

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STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:20 that trade in Frenchtex Inc.(NASDAQ: FRCH) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 3/4. The company is located in Miami, Florida.

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#90354c0005 12/20/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in CMS Energy Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CMS. Trading was resumed at 11:34.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 25

RELIANCE FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 52,321,819 SHARES (78.80%) OF FRANK B. HALL & CO. INC.(TICKER: FBH).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 17, 1990 Reliance Financial Services Corp. received a dividend on the preferred stock and on the series B and C shares. Reliance Financial Services Corp. received 1,231,021 preferred shares, 432,918 series B shares and 410,340 series C shares as dividends.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Dec. 3 and Dec. 18, 1990 Reliance Financial Services Corp. purchased 316,600 shares at $2.50 to $3.40 per share.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

C ITOH & CO. LTD. OWNS 1,920,000 SHARES (8.40%) OF CSC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CPSL) OF WARREN, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 30, 1990 C Itoh & Co. and CSC Industries Inc. executed a subscription agreement providing for the purchase of 1,920,000 CSC Industries Inc. common shares for $2.4 million, such transaction to close no later than March 31, 1991.

PURPOSE:

Subscription agreement.

-30- 607
#90354c0009 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY JUNKYARD PARTNERS LP. OWNS 1,813,265 SHARES (14.81%) OF DANIELSON HOLDING CORP.(TICKER: DHC) OF GREENWICH, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Matthew L. Feshback and Richard J. Augustus have been elected as Danielson Holding Corp. directors.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 27, 1990 Junkyard Partners LP., et al. purchased 1,813,265 shares at $2.76 per share from the Danielson Holding Corp..

PURPOSE:

Influence over Danielson Holding Corp. management and policies.

-30- 701
#90354c0010 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LTD. OWNS 3,148,725 SHARES (6.18%) OF ENRON CORP. (TICKER: ENE) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 13 through Dec. 4, 1990, Fidelity International Ltd. sold 13,500 shares at a price of $56.69 to $59.44 per share.

-30- 450
#90354c0011 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 3,148,725 SHARES (6.18%) OF ENRON CORP. (TICKER: ENE) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 15, 1990 through Dec. 11, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 300,001 at a price of $56.25 to $62.38 per share and sold 1,367,922 shares at a price of $54.69 to $62.34 per share.

-30- 502
#90354c0012 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

FMR CORP OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 150,635 SHARES (5.12%) OF BINKS MANUFACTURING CO.(TICKER: BIN) OF FRANKLIN PARK, ILLINOIS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 11, 1990 through Dec. 12, 1990, FMR Corp. purchased 18,600 at a price of $25.48 to $26.81 per share and sold 84,000 shares at a price of $25.75 to $27 per share.

-30- 525
#90354c0013 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY M. ZANKEL OWNS 516,300 SHARES (8.50%) OF LANDSING PACIFIC FUND (TICKER: LPF) OF MENLO PARK, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 30, 1990, Independent Holdings Inc. liquidated assets such that Zankel and West received 69,300 shares each and Scheidt received 69,400 shares.

-30- 495
#90354c0018 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Dec. 17, 1990, Integrated Resources Inc. announced it has entered into an agreement to sell its subsidiaries' general partnership interests in and advisory agreements with the four American Insured Mortgage Investors (TICKER: AIMA) series of limited partnerships to AIM Acquisition Corp. The agreement is subject to certain conditions, including approval by AIM unitholders of AIM Acquisition Corp. as the new managing general partner, plus related proposals which will be voted on at a special meeting of unitholders. The meeting date has not been set.

-30- 813
#90354c0021 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 10, 1990, the Company held its annual meeting of shareholders and at which time Brian Friedman was nominated to serve on the board of the company and his nomination was disputed. Prior to the adjournment of the meeting, Mr. Chefitz, among others, discussed with company management in an effort to resolve the disputes, including the restructuring of the board. No agreements were consummated as a result of these discussions. On Dec. 17, 1990, Robert M. Chefitz and APA Excelsior Fund filed a verified petition, pursuant to Section 619 of the New York Business Corporation Law, with the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Suffolk. On the same day, the Court entered an ex parte order to show cause and temporary restraining order providing that the company and certain other persons are restrained and enjoined from installing David Rothbart as a director, holding David Rothbart out as a director, and taking any acts on behalf of the company until a hearing is held by the Court. The hearing is currently scheduled for Dec. 27, 1990.

-30- 1298
#90354c0022 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

CARREFOUR NEDERLAND BV OWNS 3,386,500 SHARES (21.93%) OF OFFICE DEPOT INC. (TICKER: ODEP) OF BOCA RATON, FLORIDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From June 22, 1990 through Nov. 26, 1990, Carrefour Nederland BV purchased 345,400 shares at a price of $13.50 to $17.75 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 510
#90354c0023 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

D.M. BROWN OWNS 234,229 SHARES (8.74%) OF ABQ CORP.(TICKER: ABQC) OF ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The transfers of the shares were effectuated pursuant to letters addressed from D.M. Brown to each seller and each seller executed a proxy to D.M. Brown so D.M. Brown could vote the shares prior to becoming owner of record. D.M. Brown understands that the shares acquired from Mr. McCaslin are pledged to Mississippi Federal Savings Bank.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 17, 1990, D.M. Brown purchased 113,246 shares for $50 at a price of $.00044 per share and 90,000 shares for $100 at a price of $.00111 per share.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares.

-30- 874
#90354c0024 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

STATE OF MICHIGAN TREASURER OWNS (5.00%) OF MITEL CORP. (TICKER: MLT) OF KANATA, ONTARIO.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 325
#90354c0025 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:02 that trade in CML Group has been halted pending news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol CML.

-30- 296
#90354c0026 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in CML Group has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol CML. Trading was resumed at 12:33.

-30- 331
#90354c0028 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:39 that trade in

Cohassett Savings Bank (NASDAQ: CHTB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 3 5/8. The company is located in Cohassett, Massachusetts.

-30- 362
#90354c0029 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:42 that trade in Hingham Institute for Savings (NASDAQ: HIFS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2. The company is located in Hingham, Massachusetts.

-30- 369
#90354c0030 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 3 1990, Pan American Energy Corp. filed with the Department of Corporations, State of California, offering applications to obtain a permit to sell securities only within the state of California, under Section 25113 of the California Corporations code.

The proposed offering contains 2.0 million shares of common stock at $1.50 per share.

Funding generated by the offering will be used to purchase existing oil and gas producing wells, retire corporation debt, make capital improvements on corporate properties, and improve the cash position of the corporation, Pan American states.

Additionally, on Nov. 13, 1990, Pan American submitted two bids to purchase two separate groups of mineral properties offered by one seller consisting of approximately 104 oil wells.

-30- 1031
#90354c0031 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 5 1990, the board of directors of The Peoples Gas Light and Coke Co. elected Richard E. Terry as the company's chairman and chief executive officer.

They also elected J.B. Hasch as president and chief operating officer.

-30- 449
#90354c0032 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 30, 1990, two wholly-owned subsidiaries of UJB Financial Corp.(TICKER: UJB), Gibraltar Corp. of America and Trico Mortgage Co. Inc., entered into a loan and security agreement with Citibank N.A., Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co., Marine Midland Bank N.A. and Citibank N.A., as agent, for a secured revolving

credit facility for up to $100.0 million.

The amount available under this facility will depend upon the collateral which is pledged to the lending banks, reports UJB. Primary items of collateral which are expected to be pledged are commercial loan receivables and residential loan receivables which are assets of the two borrowers.

The facility terminates on Nov. 27, 1991, states UJB.

The purpose of the facility is to repay advances from UJB to Gibraltar and Trico, UJB states.

Gibraltar and Trico were substantially funded by commercial paper issued by UJB, in the event that UJB requires such funds to pay commercial paper obligations.

UJB executed a guaranty agreement with the lending banks under the facility, unconditionally guaranteeing the obligations of its two subsidiaries under the facility.

-30- 1385
#90354c0033 12/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Triton Energy Corp.(TICKER: OIL) received a favorable arbitration award from the American Arbitration Association in a proceeding convened with respect to the Enim Oil Project in South Sumatra, Indonesia.

As a consequence of this award, Triton is owner of a 100% interest in Enim Oil Project, Triton reports.

Among the Arbitration Association's findings were the following:

On or before Jan. 21, 1991, Veronex Resources Ltd. must pay to Triton $930,821 including cash call deficits, as well as all of Triton's legal and arbitration costs.

Veronex's 40% participating interest in the Enim Oil Project (including the areas of mutual interest) has been converted into a 5% net profits interest.

Triton will remain as operator and its participating interest ownership has increased from 60% to 100%.

Veronex may not consult or deal with Pertamina, the Indonesian national oil company, on matters concerning the Enim Oil Project, except at Triton's request, and must refrain from participating in and interfering with the operations of the project.

Administrative fees and expenses of the arbitration association must be paid by Veronex, and the award is in full settlement of all claims and counterclaims by either party.

-30- 1499

#90354c0034 12/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows in October, 1990, Traditional Industries Inc.(TICKER: TRAD) and several of its wholly-owned subsidiaries were the subject matter of a civil contempt citation filed by attorneys for the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC"), Seattle Regional Office.

On Aug. 16, 1989, Traditional agreed to a consent order in that court enjoining certain sales practices.

The FTC maintains Traditional and certain subsidiaries violated the injunctive and reporting provisions of the consent order by failure to pay $145,000 due to the FTC from unused consumer relief funds and failure to escrow consumer relief funds.

Traditional also, the FTC contends,violated the consent order by its failure to provide certain customers with cancellation questionnaires and to cancel all customers requesting cancellation under the decree; continuing to use for periods in 1989 and 1990 the terms "guaranteed," "custom" and "professional" in connection with its description of its photographic services to prospective customers when, under the definitions in the decree, the company was not entitled to utilize such terms; and failure to provide written instructions to sales personnel and receive from sales personnel an acknowledgement of receipt of such instructions and agreement to abide by them.

-30- 1526

#90354c0036 12/20/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows a wholly-owned subisidary of Insituform of North America Inc.(TICKER: INSU), NU-PIPE Inc., has entered into NuPipe Process License Agreements with its first four licensees: Insituform Mid-America Inc.(TICKER: INSM), NuPipe Southeast Inc., as subsidiary of ENVIROQ Corp., Naylor NuPipe Inc., a subsidiary of Insituform Gulf South Inc.(TICKER: IGSI), and NuPipe Midwest, a division of Midwest Environment Services Inc., an affiliate of Insituform Midwest Inc.

The agreements grant to such licensees the exclusive right to exploit the NuPipe Process in an assigned territory, covering, in the aggregate for such four licensees, 23 states and portions of two additional states, as well as Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Insituform of North America reports the NuPipe Process is the company's second trenchless process for the rehabilitation of sewers, tunnels and pipelines, and utilizes a flattened and folded pipe manufactured from a thermoplastic material which is stored on a reel in the reduced shape and heated at the installation site to make the replacement pipe flexible.

The flexible pipe may then be inserted into an existing manhole, pulled into place, and then expanded to a round condition, fitting tightly against the pipe being repaired.

-30- 1531
#90354c0038 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ANNOUNCEMENT:

From Dec. 14-18, 1990, several complaints were filed against the proposed merger. On Dec. 18, 1990, the company agreed to place all the common stock of Yosemite into escrow pending the acquisition of MCA (TICKER: MCA). Also on Dec. 18, the ministry of finance in Japan granted a license to the parent permitting the parent to make payments of up to $4 billion to Holding in connection with the offer.

-30- 641
#90354c0039 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT: Interim (TICKER: INSY) and Block announced on Dec. 13, 1990 that they have entered into a definitive merger agreement providing for Block's acquisition of Interim for $1.66 per share.

-30- 395
#90354c0041 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:28 that trade in Continental Homes Holding Corp.(NASDAQ: CONH) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2. The company is located in Scottsdale, Arizona.

-30- 370
#90354c0042 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:30 that trade in Sun

Electric Corp. has been halted pending the dissemination of news. The company is listed on the NYSE, ticker symbol SE.

-30- 334
#90354c0044 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in Sun Electric Corp. has been resumed. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, ticker symbol SE. Trading was resumed at 15:10.

-30- 347
#90354c0045 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:17 that trade in Cohassett Savings Bank (NASDAQ: CHTB) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/4; down 3/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 358
#90354c0047 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:45 that trade in Continental Homes Holding Corp.(NASDAQ: CONH) has been resumed. The first sale was 1 1/2; down 1/2 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 375
#90354c0048 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.K. HOLMES OF P.O. BOX 4157, DUBLIN, GEORGIA 31040, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DYCO) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 17, 1990.

(DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 305 659-6301)

-30- 411
#90354c0049 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.E. DONNALLY EST OF 1114 EAST CARSON STREET, PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA 15203, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF IRON & GLASS BANCORP. INC. THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 17, 1990.

(IRON & GLASS BANCORP. INC. TEL: 412 488-5200)

-30- 450

#90354c0050 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - A.R. FOX OF 7360 PINEWALK DR. S., MARGATE, FLORIDA 33063, HAS FILED TO SELL 26,667 SHARES OF NEW SKY COMMUNICATIONS INC. THROUGH BRIGHTON SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 14, 1990.

(NEW SKY COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 716 325-7100)

-30- 425
#90354c0051 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - N BUD GROSSMAN OF 4670 NORWEST CENTER, 0, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55400, HAS FILED TO SELL 35,000 SHARES OF CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. (TICKER: CESH) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. TEL: 515 224-1995)

-30- 434
#90354c0052 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TIMOTHY M GRAVEN OF 168 TOTEM RD, LOUISVILLE, KY 40207, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF STEEL TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STTX) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(STEEL TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 502 245-2110)

-30- 422
#90354c0053 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHYNE H RECK OF 3840 WEST 64TH ST, MISSION, KS 66208, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,000 SHARES OF APPLEBEES INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: APPB) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(APPLEBEES INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 816 421-2501)

-30- 434
#90354c0055 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR O STERN OF ONE FINANCIAL CENTER, BOSTON, MA 02111, HAS FILED TO

SELL 10,000 SHARES OF COLONIAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: COGR) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(COLONIAL GROUP INC. TEL: 617 426-3750)

-30- 416
#90354c0056 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES L CLAYTON OF P O BOX 15169, NEW TOPSIDE DR AT ALCOA HWY, KNOXVILLE TN 37901, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF CLAYTON HOMES INC. (TICKER: CMH) THROUGH J C BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CLAYTON HOMES INC. TEL: 615 970-7200)

-30- 439
#90354c0057 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STANLEY J MCMURRAY OF 7250 OLD REDMOND RD #146, REDMOND, WA 98052, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. (TICKER: COST) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP. TEL: 206 828-8100)

-30- 439
#90354c0058 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RHEINFRANK TR/DAUGHTERS LAMSON OF 8800 E 63RD ST, KANSAS CITY, MO 64133, HAS FILED TO SELL 65,000 SHARES OF BHA GROUP INC. (TICKER: BHAG) THROUGH FIRST ANALYSIS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(BHA GROUP INC. TEL: 816 356-8400)

-30- 418
#90354c0059 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RHEINFRANK LAMSON & SALLY TRUST OF 8800 E 63RD ST, KANSAS CITY, MO 64133 HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF BHA GROUP INC. (TICKER: BHAG) THROUGH FIRST ANALYSIS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(BHA GROUP INC. TEL: 816 356-8400)

-30- 439
#90354c0060 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES L MOORE OF 1475 LOS OLIVOS RD, SANTA ROSA, CA 95405, HAS FILED TO SELL 31,000 SHARES OF CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. (TICKER: CE) THROUGH M C HARRISON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CALIFORNIA ENERGY INC. TEL: 415 391-7700)

-30- 418
#90354c0061 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STERLING E BEALE OF 350 ALEXANDER CIRCLE, 0, COLUMBIA, SC 29206, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,500 SHARES OF POLICY MANAGEMENT SYS CORP. (TICKER: PMS) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(POLICY MANAGEMENT SYS CORP. TEL: 803 735-4040)

-30- 446
#90354c0063 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALD R JONES OF 5608 MALVEY #8, FORT WORTH, TX 76107, HAS FILED TO SELL 58,333 SHARES OF URCARCO INC. (TICKER: CARS) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(URCARCO INC. TEL: 817 882-7009)

-30- 397
#90354c0064 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KIETH E SORENSON OF 22261 KENDLE ST, CUPERTINO, CA 95014, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 393

#90354c0065 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - H JOHN HEINZ III OF C/O MELLON BANK, THREE MELLON BANKC CENTER, RM 40, PITTSBURGH, PA 15258, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF HEINZ (H.J.) CO. (TICKER: HNZ) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 14, 1990.

(HEINZ (H.J.) CO. TEL: 412 456-5728)

-30- 445
#90354c0066 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALTER BAUMGARTNER OF 3000 SAND HILL RD, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 23,525 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 423
#90354c0067 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK D TROVATO OF 23418 SAGE BRUSH WAY, NEWHALL, CA 91321, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,666 SHARES OF HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. (TICKER: HF) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(HOUSE OF FABRICS INC. TEL: 818 995-7000)

-30- 418
#90354c0068 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SANDRA K LERNER OF 1243 LAUREL ST #B, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 416
#90354c0069 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOSACK OF 590 THIAN WAY, PALO ALTO, CA 94306, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 409
#90354c0071 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ABBOTT LIVING TR OF 1220 CHARELESTON RD, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94303, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

-30- 408
#90354c0072 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOSACK OF 590 THIAN WAY, PALO ALTO, CA 94306, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 409
#90354c0073 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SANDRA K LERNER OF 1243 LAUREL ST #B, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,500 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 416
#90354c0074 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CARSTEN S ANDERSEN OF 4625 S LINDHURST AVENUE, DALLAS, TX 75229, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,836 SHARES OF INTERTRANS CORP. (TICKER: ITRN) THROUGH SOUTHWEST SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(INTERTRANS CORP. TEL: 214 929-8888)

-30- 416
#90354c0075 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT CIZIK OF 3971 INVERNESS, HOUSTON, TX 77019, HAS FILED TO SELL 48,000 SHARES OF COOPER INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CBE) THROUGH DILLON READ & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(COOPER INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 713 739-5400)

-30- 402
#90354c0076 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAXTON D HOWELL OF 1112 GRAND ST, ALAMEDA, CA 94501, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,625 SHARES OF MCGRATH RENTCORP. (TICKER: MGRC) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(MCGRATH RENTCORP. TEL: 415 276-2626)

-30- 411
#90354c0077 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HAMBRECHT & QUIST GROUP OF ONE BUSH STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,648 SHARES OF VENCOR CORP. (TICKER: VCOR) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(VENCOR CORP. TEL: 502 589-6185)

-30- 419
#90354c0079 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INDEPENDENT INVESTMENT CO PLC OF BROWN & WILLIAMSON TWR STE 700, LOUISVILLE, KY 40202, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,398 SHARES OF VENCOR CORP. (TICKER: VCOR) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(VENCOR CORP. TEL: 502 589-6185)

-30- 443
#90354c0080 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES A MARSH OF 8802 SPINNAKER CT, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46256, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF MARSH SUPERMARKETS INC. (TICKER: MARS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(MARSH SUPERMARKETS INC. TEL: 317 759-8101)

-30- 427
#90354c0081 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD T BURKE OF 18401 MINNETONKA BLVD, 0, DEEPHAVEN, MN 55391, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: UNIH) THROUGH WESSELS ARNOLD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. TEL: 613 936-1300)

-30- 433
#90354c0082 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN DONNELLY OF 16 EAST STREET, FREEPORT, ME 04032, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF NIKE INC. (TICKER: NKE) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(NIKE INC. TEL: 503 641-6453)

-30- 384
#90354c0083 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FSLIC RESOLUTION FUND OF 10 SOUTH GENEVA RD, VINEYARD, UT 84058, HAS FILED TO SELL 134,248 SHARES OF GENEVA STEEL (TICKER: GNV) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(GENEVA STEEL TEL: 801 227-9000)

-30- 413
#90354c0084 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALLAN R LYONS OF THREE BETHESDA METRO CENTER, SUITE 700, BETHESDA, MD 20814, HAS FILED TO SELL 120,000 SHARES OF CRYOMEDICAL SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: CMSI) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13 1990.

(CRYOMEDICAL SCIENCES INC. TEL: 301 913-9000)

-30- 456
#90354c0085 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - TURI JOSEFSEN OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,900 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 14, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 399
#90354c0087 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RAYMOND A MASON OF 1832 CIRCLE RD, RUXTON, MD 21204, HAS FILED TO SELL 12,000 SHARES OF ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS CORP. (TICKER: NLCO) THROUGH LEGG MASON WOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS CORP. TEL: 301 368-7000)

-30- 434
#90354c0088 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD J OLSEN OF 149 CONCORD ST, SUDBURY, MA 01776, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,223 SHARES OF CANDELA LASER CORP. (TICKER: CLZR) THROUGH ADAMS HARKNESS & HILL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CANDELA LASER CORP. TEL: 508 358-7637)

-30- 412
#90354c0089 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK BEDDOR JR OF 4400 GULF SHORE BLVD N, ARDISSONE #602, NAPLES, FL 33940, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BANTA CORP. (TICKER: BNTA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(BANTA CORP. TEL: 414 722-7777)

-30- 404
#90354c0090 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARILYN A BEDDOR OF 4400 GULF SHORE BLVD N, ARDISSONE #602, NAPLES, FL 33940, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF BANTA CORP. (TICKER: BNTA) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(BANTA CORP. TEL: 414 722-7777)

-30- 407
#90354c0091 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT P MCGRATH OF #2 SIXTH AVE, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94188, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF MCGRATH RENTCORP. (TICKER: MGRC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(MCGRATH RENTCORP. TEL: 415 276-2626)

-30- 413
#90354c0092 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS HAAS OF 414 EAGLE ROCK AVE, WEST ORANGE, NJ 07052, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,500 SHARES OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 201 731-9252)

-30- 425
#90354c0093 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PERKINS TRUST OF 1220 CHARLESTON RD, 0, MTN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

-30- 399
#90354c0095 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROY MCKNIGHT OF 114 WOODLAND RD, PITTSBURGH, PA 15232, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF MYLAN LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: MYL) THROUGH FIRST BOSTON CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(MYLAN LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 412 232-0100)

-30- 426
#90354c0096 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NCNB TEXAS NATIONAL BANK OF PARKER BLDG, EIGHT E THIRD ST, TULSA, OK 74103, HAS FILED TO SELL 278,915 SHARES OF PARKER DRILLING CO. (TICKER: PKD) THROUGH STEPHENS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(PARKER DRILLING CO. TEL: 918 585-8221)

-30- 441
#90354c0097 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVE L HUI OF 48431 MILMONT DR, FREMONT, CA 94538, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 498-1111)

-30- 408
#90354c0098 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CASSADY ASSOCIATES INC OF P O BOX 19313, LITTLE ROCK, AR 72219, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,623 SHARES OF TYSON FOODS INC. (TICKER: TYSN) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(TYSON FOODS INC. TEL: 501 756-4000)

-30- 421
#90354c0099 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - O Q QUICK OF 19838 CREEKROUND, BATON ROUGE, LA 70817, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,000 SHARES OF PICCADILLY CAFETERIAS INC. (TICKER: PICC) THROUGH JEFFERIES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(PICCADILLY CAFETERIAS INC. TEL: 504 293-9440)

-30- 429
#90354c0100 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LESLIE H WEXNER OF TWO LIMITED PWY, COLUMBUS, OH 43230, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,500 SHARES OF THE LIMITED INC. (TICKER: LTD) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 14, 1990.

(THE LIMITED INC. TEL: 614 475-4000)

-30- 402
#90354c0101 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THE BAKKEN OF 3537 ZENITH AVE, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416, HAS FILED TO SELL 45,000 SHARES OF MEDTRONIC INC. (TICKER: MDT) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(MEDTRONIC INC. TEL: 612 574-4000)

-30- 394
#90354c0103 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHLEGER & HARRISON RPT BROBECK OF 1525 OBRIEN DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 14, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 432
#90354c0104 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD J STILL OF 1705 REDBOURNE DR, DUNWOODY, GA 30350, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF IMMUCOR INC. (TICKER: BLUD) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(IMMUCOR INC. TEL: 404 441-2051)

-30- 388
#90354c0105 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRASER JACK C EST OF 25 PARK PLACE NE, ATLANTA, GA 30303, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF GENUINE PARTS CO. (TICKER: GPC) THROUGH ROBINSON-HUMPHREY CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(GENUINE PARTS CO. TEL: 404 953-1700)

-30- 419
#90354c0106 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INSURANCE & ANNUITY TEACHERS OF 730 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 165,758 SHARES OF MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. (TICKER: MEDC) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(MEDICAL CARE INTL INC. TEL: 214 851-2600)

-30- 441
#90354c0107 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOMENICK P TRESCHITTA OF 6864 S 300 W, MIDVALE, UT 84047, HAS FILED TO SELL 75,000 SHARES OF BALLARD MEDICAL PRODUCT (TICKER: BMED) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 14, 1990.

(BALLARD MEDICAL PRODUCT TEL: 801 566-4693)

-30- 436
#90354c0108 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILBUR H GANTZ OF 1101 SENECA ROAD, WILMETTE, IL 60091, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,113 SHARES OF BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: BAX) THROUGH HARRIS INVESTORS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 14, 1990.

(BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 708 948-2000)

-30- 423

#90354c0109 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CLARK JOHN E TRUST OF 425 POST RD, FAIRFIELD, CT 06430, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF ACME UNITED CORP. (TICKER: ACU) THROUGH TUCKER ANTHONY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(ACME UNITED CORP. TEL: 203 255-2744)

-30- 411
#90354c0111 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN L BERNBACH OF 437 MADISON AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF OMNICOM GROUP INC (TICKER: OMC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(OMNICOM GROUP INC TEL: 212 415-3600)

-30- 406
#90354c0112 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAPITAL SEQUOIA IV OF 3000 SANDMILL ROAD, SUITE #280, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 135,500 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 438
#90354c0113 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - OF RUPERT H JOHNSON WILL OF 777 MARINERS ISLAND BLVD, SAN MATEO, CA 94404, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC. (TICKER: BEN) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 14, 1990.

(FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC. TEL: 415 378-2000)

-30- 454
#90354c0114 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RELIABLE SOURCE INC OF P O BOX 160387, MOBILE, AL 36616, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BLOC DEVELOPMENT CORP. (TICKER: BDEV) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(BLOC DEVELOPMENT CORP. TEL: 305 567-9931)

-30- 430
#90354c0115 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BOHEN GENERAL TRUST OF 1716 LOCUST ST, DES MOINES, IA 50336, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,989 SHARES OF MEREDITH CORP. (TICKER: MDP) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(MEREDITH CORP. TEL: 515 284-3000)

-30- 408
#90354c0116 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL J TERRA OF 990 SKOKIE BLVD, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,900 SHARES OF LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: LAW) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 312 498-4700)

-30- 420
#90354c0117 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MEYERSON MARTI A 1982 TRUST OF 4514 COLE AVE STE 1100 LB 28, DALLAS, TX 75205, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,500 SHARES OF AMTECH CORP. (TICKER: AMTC) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(AMTECH CORP. TEL: 214 520-6900)

-30- 426
#90354c0119 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NANCY CARAVETTA OF 77 OVAL RD, ESSEX FELLS, NJ 07021, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 201 731-9252)

-30- 426
#90354c0120 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEWISH HOME FOR THE AGED MIAMI OF 151 NE 52ND ST, MAIMI, FL 33137, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CLAIRE'S STORES INC. (TICKER: CLE) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(CLAIRE'S STORES INC. TEL: 305 433-3900)

-30- 435
#90354c0121 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT E WOLF OF 628 W HORTTER ST, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19119, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CHECKPOINT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CHEK) THROUGH FUHRMAN MATT SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(CHECKPOINT SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 609 848-1800)

-30- 425
#90354c0122 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEFFREY L HYMES OF 6536 RADCLIFF DR, 0, NASHVILLE, TN 37221, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF REN CORP. USA (TICKER: RENL) THROUGH EQUITABLE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(REN CORP. USA TEL: 615 352-7991)

-30- 396
#90354c0123 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - YORAM ORON OF 34 CHASE RD, SCARSDALE, NY 10583, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF GEOTEK INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GOTK) THROUGH M H MEYERSON & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(GEOTEK INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 215 563-0310)

-30- 400
#90354c0124 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES G CROSE OF 10 COLUMBUS DR, IRVINE, CA 92720, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,250 SHARES OF PDA ENGINEERING (TICKER: PDAS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(PDA ENGINEERING TEL: 714 540-8900)

-30- 396
#90354c0125 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KUSLIMA SHOGEN OF 428 CEDAR GROVE LANE, SOMERSET, NJ 08873, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF ALFACELL CORP. (TICKER: ACEL) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(ALFACELL CORP. TEL: 201 748-8082)

-30- 404
#90354c0127 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RUFUS S EWING JR OF 1900 N 18TH ST BLDG, 0, MONROE, LA 71211, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF CENTURY TELEPHONE ENTERPRISES IN (TICKER: CTL) THROUGH STEPHENS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(CENTURY TELEPHONE ENTERPRISES IN TEL: 318 388-9500)

-30- 448
#90354c0128 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENNETH D DEJOHN OF 8052 FOX RIDGE CT, BOULDER, CO 80301, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,500 SHARES OF EXABYTE CORP. (TICKER: EXBT) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(EXABYTE CORP. TEL: 303 442-4333)

-30- 399
#90354c0129 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENILWORTH TR OF 245 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10167, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. TEL: 212 272-2000)

-30- 432
#90354c0130 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEROME C SCHUTZLER OF 633 S MICHAEL WAY, CAMANO ISLAND, WA 98292, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PDA ENGINEERING (TICKER: PDAS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(PDA ENGINEERING TEL: 714 540-8900)

-30- 423
#90354c0131 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES G REYNOLDS OF 10600 HOLMAN AVE #6, LOS ANGELES, CA 90024, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,598 SHARES OF HEALTH CARE PROPERTY INVESTORS I (TICKER: HCP) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(HEALTH CARE PROPERTY INVESTORS I TEL: 213 473-1990)

-30- 468
#90354c0132 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD A FISHER OF 102 B WASHINGTON ST, NEWPORT, RI 02840, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF QUADRAX CORP. (TICKER: QDRX) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(QUADRAX CORP. TEL: 401 683-6600)

-30- 401
#90354c0133 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT F JOHNSON OF 181 CHERRY VALLEY RD, PRINCETON, NJ 08540, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF GENEX CORP. (TICKER: GNEX) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(GENEX CORP. TEL: 301 258-0552)

-30- 399
#90354c0135 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 27, 1990, G. CAMPORESE, OFFICER AND DIR. OF A&A FOODS LTD. (TICKER: ANAF), SOLD 2,500 SHARES FROM $3.05 TO $3.10 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 724,900.

-30- 339
#90354c0136 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 14, 1990 TO NOV. 30, 1990, E.E. POST, DIR. OF BELMAC CORP. (TICKER: BLM), SOLD 6,000 SHARES FROM $4.50 TO $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 182,858.

-30- 324
#90354c0137 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 28, 1990, S.W. DOUGHTY, VP OF BANK CORP OF GEORGIA BOUGHT 165 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,291.

-30- 290
#90354c0138 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, E.C. PACE, DIR. OF GOLDEN BEVERAGE CO.(TICKER: GNBV) BOUGHT 10,971,153 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,558,153.

-30- 337
#90354c0139 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT. 22, 1990 TO NOV. 26, 1990, L.L. LEE, CHAIRMAN OF LEES INNS OF AMERICA INC. BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 550,627.

-30- 330
#90354c0140 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 6, 1990, R.G. ADAMS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LAKELAND FIRST FINANCIAL GROUP (TICKER: LLSL) SOLD 500 SHARES AT $17.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,597.

-30- 356
#90354c0141 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, W.T. THOMPSON III, DIR. OF ST. JOE PAPER CO. (TICKER: SJP) BOUGHT 450 SHARES AT $31.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,400.

-30- 311
#90354c0143 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, R.C. DABAGIA, PRES. OF HORIZON BANCORP. OF INDIANA BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,750.

-30- 315
#90354c0144 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, R.L. DUGENE, DIR. OF HORIZON BANCORP. OF INDIANA BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,776.

-30- 311
#90354c0145 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON APRIL 26, 1990, R.C. QUALLS, PRES. OF LYNX EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: LYNX) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $1.67 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,606,000.

-30- 314
#90354c0146 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 9, 1990, F.T. HARRISON, DIR. OF ORANGE BANCORP. BOUGHT 3,600

SHARES FROM $2.25 TO $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,600.

-30- 305
#90354c0147 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG. 21, 1990 TO AUG. 31, 1990, C.A. SAMPSON, CHAIRMAN OF HECTOR COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: HCCO), BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES FROM $7.00 TO $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 388,897.

-30- 368
#90354c0148 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 7, 1990 TO NOV. 29, 1990, R.N. NOVECK, DIR. OF HORIZON HEALTH CARE CORP. (TICKER: HHC), BOUGHT 7,100 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34,100.

-30- 345
#90354c0149 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 14, 1990, B.W. PHELPS, DIR. OF HORIZON BANK (TICKER: HRZB), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,250.

-30- 297
#90354c0151 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 20, 1990, MOOG INC. ESSOP, BEN. OWNER OF MOOG INC.(TICKER: MOG), BOUGHT 3,094 CLASS A SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 267,047.

-30- 315
#90354c0152 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT. 24, 1990 TO NOV. 9, 1990, SMITH INVESTMENT CO, BEN. OWNER OF SMITH (A.O.) CORP. (TICKER: SMC), BOUGHT 2,450 CLASS A SHARES FROM $14.63 TO $15.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,580,884.

-30- 366

#90354c0153 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 16, 1990, J.C. BRUGLER, PRES. OF VALLEY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: VYBN) BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 312
#90354c0154 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 29, 1990, E.C. ZIMMERMAN, DIR. OF VALLEY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: VYBN) BOUGHT 132 SHARES AT $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,400.

-30- 310
#90354c0155 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, KENNETH R KRAMER, OFFICER OF ALBERTSON'S INC. (TICKER: ABS), SOLD 4,000 SHARES AT $35.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,600.

-30- 316
#90354c0156 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 10, 1990, THOMAS J PERKINS, CHAIRMAN OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN), SOLD 50,000 SHARES FROM $28.50 TO $28.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 305,865.

-30- 325
#90354c0157 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC 03, 1990 TO DEC 12, 1990, ROBERT G HOLMES JR, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF AERO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: AESM), BOUGHT 60,000 SHARES FROM $0.28 TO $0.34 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,404,624.

-30- 396
#90354c0159 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, HAROLD M WIT, DIR. OF ALLEGHENY & WESTERN ENERGY CORP.

(TICKER: ALGH), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $6.01 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,150.

-30- 335
#90354c0160 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, ROBERT J SCRIBNER, DIR. OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,500.

-30- 330
#90354c0161 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, ROBERT J SCRIBNER, DIR. OF ANDOVER BANCORP INC.(DEL) (TICKER: ANDB), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 293
#90354c0162 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, CALVIN L BADON, DIV. OFFICER OF ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORP. (TICKER: APC), SOLD 4,543 SHARES FROM $36.25 TO $37.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,845.

-30- 366
#90354c0163 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 13, 1990, R ELVIS THORNTON, OFFICER OF ARKLA EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: ARK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 323
#90354c0164 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, JOHN F BRENNAN, DIR. OF AEROVOX INC. (TICKER: ARVX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 299

#90354c0165 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, THOMAS I UNTERBERG, DIR. OF ASK COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: ASKI), BOUGHT 17,000 SHARES AT $4.81 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 58,500.

-30- 336
#90354c0167 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 05, 1990, OTIS A BRUMBY, DIR. OF ATLANTA GAS LIGHT CO. (TICKER: ATG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $31.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 600.

-30- 310
#90354c0168 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 05, 1990, OTIS A BRUMBY, DIR. OF ATLANTA GAS LIGHT CO. (TICKER: ATG), BOUGHT 700 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,400.

-30- 331
#90354c0169 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 11, 1990 TO OCT 19, 1990, ALPHI FUND LP, BEN. OWNER OF AULT INC. (TICKER: AULT), BOUGHT 15,200 SHARES FROM $1.50 TO $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 270,200.

-30- 339
#90354c0170 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 11, 1990 TO OCT 19, 1990, ALPHI INVESTMENT MGMT CO, BEN. OWNER OF AULT INC. (TICKER: AULT), BOUGHT 15,200 SHARES FROM $1.50 TO $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 270,200.

-30- 349
#90354c0171 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 13, 1990, WILLIAM C MILLER, BEN. OWNER OF AURORA

ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: AURE), SOLD 20,000 SHARES FROM $2.31 TO $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 786,470.

-30- 371
#90354c0172 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, JOE B CORDELL, DIR. OF BARNETT BANKS INC. (TICKER: BBI), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,822.

-30- 305
#90354c0173 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, HARRY S BATEMAN, DIR. OF BB & T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BBTF), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 80,000.

-30- 322
#90354c0175 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 15, 1990, CLARKE LANGRALL, DIR. OF BANK MARYLAND CORP. (TICKER: BKMD), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,620.

-30- 315
#90354c0176 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, JOHN I BLOOMBERG, DIR. OF BALLARD MEDICAL PRODUCT (TICKER: BMED), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $19.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 331
#90354c0177 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 05, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, M RAY HARROFF, DIR. OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET), SOLD 5,598 SHARES FROM $28.00 TO $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 160,546.

-30- 330
#90354c0178 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, MARTIN ANDERSON, DIR. OF BARNWELL INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BRN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 135,570.

-30- 312
#90354c0179 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, MARTIN L BEARER, DIR. OF BT FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BTFC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $12.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,521.

-30- 310
#90354c0180 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, GERALD W SWATSWORTH, CHAIRMAN OF BT FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BTFC), BOUGHT 900 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,614.

-30- 325
#90354c0181 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, EVALENA C BENNETT, OFFICER OF CRACKER BARREL OLD COUNTRY STORE INC. (TICKER: CBRL), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,268.

-30- 359
#90354c0183 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, OWEN A MANDEVILLE, DIR. OF CROWN CORK & SEAL CO. (TICKER: CCK), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $52.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 89,800.

-30- 321
#90354c0184 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, EDWARD L HUTTON, PRES. OF CHEMED CORP. (TICKER: CHE), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,344.

-30- 305
#90354c0185 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 05, 1990 TO OCT 09, 1990, CHASE THRIFT INCENTIVE PLAN, TTEE OF THE CHASE MANHATTAN CORP. (TICKER: CMB), BOUGHT 391,788 SHARES FROM $11.55 TO $12.90 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,886,324.

-30- 385
#90354c0186 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, CHASE THRIFT INCENTIVE PLAN, TTEE OF THE CHASE MANHATTAN CORP. (TICKER: CMB), SOLD 197,358 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,886,324.

-30- 340
#90354c0187 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, GINO A MARINELLI, BEN. OWNER OF AMERICAN CONFECTIONARY CORP. (TICKER: CNDY), SOLD 415,320 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,000.

-30- 385
#90354c0188 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, RONALD L AXON, OFFICER OF CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAYS INC. (TICKER: CNF), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 331
#90354c0189 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JOHN A HUFFT, OFFICER OF COACHMEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: COA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES FROM $3.63 TO $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,880.

-30- 326
#90354c0191 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, CHARLES H ROSENFIELD, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF CONSOLIDATED CAPROCK RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: CPRK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $0.64 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,919,000.

-30- 408
#90354c0192 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 09, 1990, B D ALLEN, PRES. OF CONSOLIDATED-TOMOKA LAND CO. (TICKER: CTLC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES FROM $19.00 TO $21.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,760.

-30- 356
#90354c0193 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 10, 1990, JOSEPH F PILARO, VP OF QUANTUM CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: CUE), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $13.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 309
#90354c0194 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, DAVID L MONSEAU, AFFILIATED PERSON OF CENTERIOR ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CX), SOLD 832 SHARES AT $18.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,339.

-30- 341
#90354c0195 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, TERRY N FISKE, AFFILIATED PERSON OF ECHO BAY MINES LTD. (TICKER: ECO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $8.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 336
#90354c0196 12/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 23, 1990, C MARTIN RASMUSSEN, BEN. OWNER OF EFI ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: EFIC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $5.36 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 411,346.

-30- 340
#90354c0197 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1990, JOSEPH R KURRY JR, VP OF ESSEX CORP. (TICKER: ESEX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,350.

-30- 293
#90354c0199 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, RALPH T KING, DIR. OF ESSEF CORP. (TICKER: ESSF), BOUGHT 18,000 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,100.

-30- 296
#90354c0200 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, FOOTE CONE & BELDING ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF FOOTE CONE & BELDING COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: FCB), BOUGHT 16,259 SHARES AT $20.24 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,525,654.

-30- 405
#90354c0201 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, AUGUSTINE J FABIANI, DIR. OF FIRST ESSEX BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FESX), BOUGHT 2,500 SHARES AT $2.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,167.

-30- 330
#90354c0202 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 13, 1990, WILLIAM J UMPHRED, DIR. OF FRANKLIN FIRST FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FFFC), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES AT $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,184.

-30- 341
#90354c0203 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JAMES H JARRELL, VP OF FIRST FINANCIAL MGMT CORP. (TICKER: FFM), BOUGHT 3,500 SHARES AT $17.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,900.

-30- 325
#90354c0204 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, RODERICK A WHITE, OFFICER OF FIRST TENNESSEE NATL CORP. (TICKER: FTEN), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $18.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,696.

-30- 333
#90354c0205 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 04, 1990 TO NOV 02, 1990, RONALD W BERG, OFFICER OF FIRST TEAM SPORTS INC. (TICKER: FTSP), SOLD 14,300 SHARES FROM $5.13 TO $6.56 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 219,700.

-30- 355
#90354c0207 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, WILLIAM THOMAS HANLEY, SHAREHOLDER OF GALILEO ELECTRO-OPTICS CORP. (TICKER: GAEO), SOLD 27,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,000.

-30- 354
#90354c0208 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO NOV 21, 1990, HELGA HAUB, SHAREHOLDER OF THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO. (TICKER: GAP), BOUGHT 34,900 SHARES FROM $38.00 TO $41.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,249,000.

-30- 390

#90354c0209 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, JOHN LAGANA JR, DIR. OF GATEWAY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GBAN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,660.

-30- 313
#90354c0210 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, CHARLES P JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN OF GENERAL DATACOMM INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: GDC), SOLD 2,580 SHARES FROM $2.00 TO $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 248.

-30- 349
#90354c0211 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 21, 1990, ROBERT M FRIEDLAND, DIR. OF GALACTIC RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: GLC), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 145,000.

-30- 330
#90354c0212 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, WALTER C BARBER, PRES. OF GROUNDWATER TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: GWTI), BOUGHT 110 SHARES AT $20.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,110.

-30- 330
#90354c0213 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, MICHAEL D BUCK, OFFICER OF HACH CO. (TICKER: HACH), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,940.

-30- 291
#90354c0215 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, AARON S SHENKMAN, PRES. OF HELEN OF TROY CORP. (TICKER:

HELE), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 49,751.

-30- 320
#90354c0216 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, RICHARD E LYKE, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF HEALTHTEK INC. (TICKER: HLTK), BOUGHT 300,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,165,256.

-30- 340
#90354c0217 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 04, 1990, ROY E PEARCE, VP OF HOGAN SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: HOGN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $2.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,900.

-30- 304
#90354c0218 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, BENJAMIN L HOLMES, VP OF HEWLETT-PACKARD CO. (TICKER: HWP), SOLD 440 SHARES AT $27.11 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 22,516.

-30- 308
#90354c0219 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, EUGENE P GRISANTI, PRES. OF INTERNATIONAL FLAVORS & FRAG"R"ANCES INC. (TICKER: IFF), SOLD 2,000 SHARES FROM $73.50 TO $74.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,912.

-30- 385
#90354c0220 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, BARBARA A YOUNG, DIR. OF INDIANA FEDERAL CORP. (TICKER: IFSL), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 317

#90354c0221 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC 07, 1990 TO DEC 12, 1990, J LORNE BRAITHWAITE, DIR. OF INTERHOME ENERGY INC. (TICKER: IHEI), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $47.88 PER SHARE.

-30- 308
#90354c0223 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, CRAIG C PERRY, DIR. OF JWP INC. (TICKER: JWP), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $15.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 290
#90354c0224 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,534,411.

-30- 322
#90354c0225 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC 02, 1990 TO DEC 09, 1990, JOHN B GERLACH, PRES. OF LANCASTER COLONY CORP. (TICKER: LANC), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $13.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 127,559.

-30- 341
#90354c0226 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1990, CHARLES E RICKERSHAUSER JR, DIR. OF LEE ENTERPRISES INC. (TICKER: LEE), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 335
#90354c0227 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JAMES W STRAND, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LINCOLN TELECOMMUNICATIONS CO. (TICKER: LTEC), SOLD 600 SHARES AT $25.50 PER SHARE,

BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 357
#90354c0228 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, THOMAS M COUTTS, OFFICER OF LIFE TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: LTEK), SOLD 10,188 SHARES FROM $17.50 TO $18.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 304
#90354c0229 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, LAWRENCE F PIGUONE, DIR. OF MID ATLANTIC MED SVCS INC. (TICKER: MAMS), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,350.

-30- 333
#90354c0231 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, BRUCE E REID, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 1,252 SHARES AT $25.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 28,851.

-30- 309
#90354c0232 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, DONAGHYS LIMITED, BEN. OWNER OF MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: METS), BOUGHT 30,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 550,970.

-30- 336
#90354c0233 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 04, 1990, STANTON K SMITH JR, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,548.

-30- 322
#90354c0234 12/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 04, 1990, STANTON K SMITH JR, DIR. OF MICHIGAN NATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: MNCO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $18.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 332
#90354c0235 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, JOHN H KREHBIEL SR, CHAIRMAN OF MOLEX INC. (TICKER: MOLX), BOUGHT 226 SHARES FROM $21.88 TO $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,497,883.

-30- 341
#90354c0236 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, H MANNING MCPHILLIPS JR, DIR. OF MORRISON INC. (TICKER: MORR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 316
#90354c0237 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, JOSEPH T PIEMONT, DIR. OF IMPACT SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MPAC), BOUGHT 7,500 SHARES FROM $0.63 TO $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 345
#90354c0239 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 13, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, MIDWEST GRAIN PRODCTS INC ESOP, BEN. OWNER OF MIDWEST GRAIN PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MWGP), BOUGHT 9,500 SHARES FROM $22.63 TO $23.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 922,531.

-30- 384
#90354c0240 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, EDWARD C CAZIER JR, DIR. OF MAYTAG CORP. (TICKER: MYG),

BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 299
#90354c0241 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 05, 1990, NORBERT P FRAGA, DIR. OF NBB BANCORP INC. (TICKER: NBB), SOLD 330 SHARES AT $7.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 301
#90354c0242 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, ROBERT E IX, DIR. OF NORTHEAST BANCORP. (TICKER: NBIC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES FROM $6.75 TO $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 332
#90354c0243 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, NORMAN D LEVINE, CHAIRMAN OF N.D.L. PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: NDLP), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $0.92 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,060,000.

-30- 320
#90354c0244 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1990, CHARLES D CUNNINGHAM, OFFICER AND DIR. OF OVERMYER CORP. (TICKER: OMCO), SOLD 7,000 SHARES AT $0.19 PER SHARE.

-30- 298
#90354c0245 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 08, 1990, R EUGENE GOODSON, CHAIRMAN OF OSHKOSH TRUCK CORP. (TICKER: OTRK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 59,400.

-30- 325
#90354c0247 12/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, WOODBURY C TITCOMB, PRES. OF PEOPLES BANCORP WORCESTER INC. (TICKER: PEBW), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,186.

-30- 362
#90354c0248 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, DAVID W MAYNE, DIR. OF PRINTRONIX INC. (TICKER: PTNX), SOLD 40,000 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 137,701.

-30- 307
#90354c0249 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC 06, 1990 TO DEC 07, 1990, JOHN W ROLLINS JR, DIR. OF ROLLINS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: REN), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 230,000.

-30- 359
#90354c0250 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, KENNETH G ANDERSON, DIR. OF RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: RESR), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,114.

-30- 307
#90354c0251 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, EDWARD E STRICKLAND, DIR. OF REUTER INC. (TICKER: REUT), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,500.

-30- 307
#90354c0252 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JAMES W ROBINSON, DIR. OF ROBINSON NUGENT INC. (TICKER: RNIC), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 528,713.

-30- 322
#90354c0253 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, FRANK S CARUSO, DIR. OF ROBERTS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. (TICKER: RPCX), BOUGHT 5,510 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,510.

-30- 333
#90354c0255 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 12, 1990, KURT B KARMIN, OFFICER AND DIR. OF RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RR), BOUGHT 6,400 SHARES FROM $4.00 TO $4.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 246,100.

-30- 401
#90354c0256 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON FEB 27, 1990, RONALD D KALP, VP OF RAYTHEON CO. (TICKER: RTN), SOLD 400 SHARES AT $61.63 PER SHARE.

-30- 252
#90354c0257 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, CHARLES H RESNICK, OFFICER OF RAYTHEON CO. (TICKER: RTN), SOLD 1,200 SHARES AT $67.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,380.

-30- 311
#90354c0258 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, EDWARD I WASHELESKI, OFFICER OF UNITED SATELLITE AMERICA INC. (TICKER: SAMI), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $0.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,000.

-30- 351
#90354c0259 12/20/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 15, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, MORTON K BLAUSTEIN, DIR. OF SIGNET BANKING CORP. (TICKER: SBK), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES FROM $9.63 TO $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 830,115.

-30- 357
#90354c0260 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1990, GARY D GENTZKOW, OFFICER AND DIR. OF STAODYN INC. (TICKER: SDYN), BOUGHT 7,020 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,020.

-30- 328
#90354c0261 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, CHRISS S YODER, DIR. OF SEABOARD BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SEAB), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,392.

-30- 319
#90354c0263 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, JOHN C HARDY, DIR. OF SHL SYSTEMHOUSE INC. (TICKER: SHKI), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES FROM $4.60 TO $4.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 326
#90354c0264 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, ERIC D CHRISTENSEN, OFFICER OF SKYWEST INC. (TICKER: SKYW), SOLD 308 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 275
#90354c0265 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 17, 1990 TO OCT 15, 1990, MELVIN GOLDFEDER, SHAREHOLDER OF SWANK INC. (TICKER: SNKI), BOUGHT 8,000 SHARES FROM $1.13 TO $1.38 PER SHARE,

BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,000.

-30- 343
#90354c0266 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, LEROY T GLOVER, DIR. OF SHELTON BANCORP INC. (TICKER: SSBC), BOUGHT 245 SHARES AT $6.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,440.

-30- 313
#90354c0267 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 29, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, AVERY J STONE, DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), SOLD 36,900 SHARES FROM $9.88 TO $10.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,070,494.

-30- 350
#90354c0268 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, ROGER W STONE, CHAIRMAN OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), SOLD 11,600 SHARES FROM $10.00 TO $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 631,942.

-30- 358
#90354c0269 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, MEL L SHULTZ, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF STRATFORD AMERICAN CORP. (TICKER: STRC), SOLD 200,000 SHARES AT $0.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,760,701.

-30- 376
#90354c0271 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAR 24, 1988 TO JUN 30, 1988, THOMAS H GABEL, AFFILIATED PERSON OF STEVENS GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: SVG), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $9.63 TO $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 373
#90354c0272 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM FEB 07, 1989 TO OCT 09, 1990, THOMAS H GABEL, AFFILIATED PERSON OF STEVENS GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: SVG), BOUGHT 1,200 SHARES FROM $6.00 TO $12.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 375
#90354c0273 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 19, 1990, THOMAS H GABEL, AFFILIATED PERSON OF STEVENS GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: SVG), SOLD 200 SHARES AT $21.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 341
#90354c0274 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, SAMUEL H PILCH, VP OF THE TRAVELERS CORP. (TICKER: TIC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,114.

-30- 297
#90354c0275 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, JAMES D HAY, OFFICER OF THOMAS & BETTS CORP. (TICKER: TNB), SOLD 2,771 SHARES AT $44.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,020.

-30- 311
#90354c0276 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, JAMES D HAY, OFFICER OF THOMAS & BETTS CORP. (TICKER: TNB), SOLD 250 SHARES AT $44.58 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,880.

-30- 309
#90354c0277 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, MICHAEL E TENNENBAUM, DIR. OF TOSCO CORP. (TICKER: TOS), SOLD 166,000 SHARES FROM $16.38 TO $17.50 PER SHARE,

BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 235,549.

-30- 342
#90354c0279 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, BURKE A WEISEND, DIR. OF TRC COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: TRR), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,500.

-30- 313
#90354c0280 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 05, 1990, DONALD E MAYORAS, DIR. OF BUILDERS TRANSPORT INC. (TICKER: TRUK), SOLD 2,500 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,500.

-30- 325
#90354c0281 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 14, 1990 TO DEC 03, 1990, LESLIE V SHUTE, VP OF TURNER CORP. (TICKER: TUR), BOUGHT 420 SHARES FROM $10.88 TO $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 20,023.

-30- 321
#90354c0282 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 06, 1990, LAWRENCE S DOLIN, DIR. OF VELOBIND INC. (TICKER: VBND), SOLD 100,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 166,800.

-30- 328
#90354c0283 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, JON G UDELL, DIR. OF VERSA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: VRSA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES FROM $10.00 TO $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 331
#90354c0284 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, ANTHONY SPIER, DIR. OF WELLS-GARDNER ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: WGA), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 331
#90354c0285 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 26, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, JOHN B ASHMUN, CHAIRMAN OF WAINOCO OIL CORP. (TICKER: WOL), SOLD 10,000 SHARES FROM $8.38 TO $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 664,462.

-30- 345
#90354c0287 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, CYNTHIA A DOTZEL, DIR. OF YORK FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: YFED), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,941.

-30- 310
#90354c0288 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY LYONNAISE AMERICAN HOLDING INC. OWNS 9,066,600 SHARES (81.90%) OF GWC CORP.(TICKER: GWCC) OF WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 30, 1990, General Waterworks Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of GWC, acquired all the operating assets and certain liabilities of Albuquerque Utilities Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of AMREP Corp. for the purchase price of $41.7 million, including $15.0 million of long term debt assumed by Waterworks from AUC. GWC has informed LAH that GWC has tentatively planned to discuss the sale of an additional $20.0 million of equity to LAH in July 1991. Such sale is subject to LAH and GWC reaching agreement with respect to the negotiation of price and other terms.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of operating assets and liabilities.

-30- 1006
#90354c0289 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

BEST INVESTMENTS INTERNATIONAL INC. OWNS 1,337,983 SHARES (7.79%) OF PATTEN CORP.(TICKER: PAT) OF STAMFORD, VERMONT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 5, 1990, 1,337,983 shares were owned by the company pursuant to acquisitions made by Best Investments International Inc. during 1988, 1989 and 1990.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 527
#90354c0290 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

C.P. MISSLER OWNS 311,502 SHARES (8.24%) OF COACHMAN INC.(TICKER: CINC) OF OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

An understanding exists that C.P. Missler would be entitled to a finders fee and additional warrants should he bring an equity partner to Coachman willing to invest in its hotel developments. A verbal understanding exists that warrants convertible to 71,356 shares of Coachman at a price of $4.14 per share will be reduced to $1 per share and extended anew for five (5) years beginning 1991.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 7, 1990, C.P. Missler acquired 163,500 shares of Coachman common stock at a price of $.05 per share.

PURPOSE:

Long-term investment.

-30- 894
#90354c0291 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

PROCORDIA CORP. OWNS 18,142,951 SHARES (100.00%) OF PHARMACIA AB (TICKER: PHAB) OF WAYNE, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 13, 1990, the arbitration tribunal constituted in connection with the compulsory acquisition of Pharmacia securities by Procordia issued a statement to Pharmacia shareholders informing them that Procordia has become the sole owner of all outstanding shares of Pharmacia and that former Pharmacia shareholders are entitled to compensation for their shares under the compulsory acquisition process.

-30- 723
#90354c0292 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

NORWEST CORP.(TICKER: NOB) OF MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA OWNS 3,964,596 SHARES (20.50%) OF UNITED BANKS OF COLORADO (TICKER: UBKS) OF DENVER, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to the option agreement, UBC has informed Norwest that, as of Nov. 30 1990, the number of shares of UBC common stock outstanding was 15,404,544; accordingly, the number of shares subject to the option has increased to 3,849,596.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 4 through 9, 1990, Norwest Corp. purchased 115,000 shares at a price of $14.57 to $15.75 per share.

-30- 750
#90354c0293 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 19, 1990, AT&T extended the commitment letter and the commitments of chemical Bank and the related commitments of a syndicate of other financial institutions to Jan. 18, 1991. As of such date, pursuant to the commitment letter, Chemical Bank and the other lenders have earned certain participation fees in the aggregate amount of $11.7 million, payable on the earlier of the date on which definitive credit documentation with respect to the facility is executed and delivered by AT&T, Chemical Bank and the other lenders, and Jan. 2, 1991. AT&T has not yet accepted the commitments of such other Lenders.

-30- 811
#90354c0295 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORP. OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA OWNS 6,875,000 SHARES (74.90%) OF PHOTOCOMM INC.(TICKER: PCOM) OF SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 19, 1990, pursuant to the stock and debenture purchase agreement, Westinghouse Electric Corp. exercised its stock option to purchase an additional 1,000,000 shares of Photocomm stock at $1.25 per share.

-30- 587
#90354c0296 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

SCOPE INDUSTRIES OF SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA OWNS 1,870,400 SHARES (11.30%) OF LONE STAR INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: LCE) OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 11 and Dec. 19, 1990 Scope Industries purchased 1,560,400 share at $2 to $8.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 504
#90354c0297 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 245,900 SHARES (36.97%) OF LVI GROUP INC.(TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 18, 1990 Gamco Investors Inc. sold 13,000 shares at 16 cents per share.

-30- 428
#90354c0298 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY D.T. SMITH OWNS 2,758,100 SHARES (9.50%) OF FIRST EXECUTIVE CORP. (TICKER: FEXC) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Dec. 13 and 18, 1990 D.T. Smith, et al. purchased 569,000 shares at 41 to 54 cents each.

-30- 452
#90354c0299 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY BCL INVESTMENT PARTNERS LP. OWNS 8,057,557 SHARES (30.32%) OF READING & BATES CORP.(TICKER: RB) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

BCL Investment Partners LP., et al. may, in the event that the proposed recapitalization is not consummated, the existing level of debt is not alleviated or the liquidity position of Reading & Bates Corp. is not improved, may propose, either in the context of bankruptcy proceedings or otherwise, a comprehensive plan of recapitalization. On Dec. 14, 1990 the parties to the credit agreement executed a second amendment to the credit agreement. Among other things, the amendment increases the maximum amount to $41 million and

increases the cash deposit to be made in the event of bankruptcy to $4.5 million. On Dec. 19, 1990 BCL entered into a sale and assignment agreement with Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. as debtor and debtor in possession under which BCL purchased from Drexel certain debt obligations of Reading & Bates Corp. and 771,199 class B shares of Reading & Bates Corp. associated with the debt obligations. BCL Investment Partners LP., et al. have executed the term sheet in respect of the interest represented by the Drexel participated debt.

-30- 1431
#90354c0301 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

BROOKE GROUP LTD. OWNS 650,869 SHARES (43.40%) OF WESTERN UNION CORP. (TICKER: WU) OF UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Brooke Partners LP has merged into B.S. LeBow, which in turn has been merged into BGLS Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Brooke Group Ltd. As a result of the merger, BGL, as the successor to Brooke Partners, has acquired beneficial ownership of its class B common shares and its shares and has replaced it as Brooke Group LTD. for purposes of this schedule 13d. In consideration of the merger, Bennett S. LeBow has acquired voting preferred stock of BGL approximating 56.5 percent of BGL's total voting power (assuming conversion of all outstanding shares of voting*ng preferred stock issued to all former partners of Brooke Partners in the BGLS merger). Mr. LeBow has pledged his voting preferred stock to secure previous borrowings. Brooke General Corp. was merged into L Holdings before the BGLS merger and neither corporation has any further interest in shares and neither remains Brooke Group LTD..

-30- 1261
#90354c0302 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY SANDERS MORRIS MUNDY INC. OWNS 678,086 SHARES (18.40%) OF USA WASTE SERVICES INC.(TICKER: USAS) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Nov. 15, 1990, Sanders Morris Mundy Inc. and USA Waste Services Inc. entered into an agency agreement providing for Sanders Morris Mundy Inc. to serve as exclusive best-efforts selling agent in connection with the proposed

private placement of up to 1,000,000 shares of common stock of USA Waste Services Inc. The agency agreement provides for the issuance to Sanders of a warrant to purchase up to 60,000 shares of common stock upon the closing of the sale of common stock of USA Waste Services Inc. in the private placement, at a price of $6 per share at any time on or prior to Dec. 31, 1995.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1002
#90354c0304 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

GROUP LED BY C.C. ICAHN OWNS 33,918,600 SHARES (13.30%) OF USX CORP. (TICKER: X) OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 12, 1990, TWA Holdings purchased from TWA Investment Plan a limited partnership interest in Ferris representing 5 million common shares, at $30.75 per share.

-30- 494
#90354c0305 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY J. POUND OWNS 1,200 SHARES (.10%) OF USX CORP.(TICKER: X) OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 18, 1990, Paul Quirk sent a letter to John Pound confirming Mr. Quirk's resignation as a member of the committee. Quirk returned to Ferris the $15,000 honorarium and his 300 shares.

-30- 504
#90354c0306 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

F.R. SULLIVAN OF SADDLE BROOK, NEW JERSEY OWNS 4,062,847 SHARES (15.00%) OF INTERIM SYSTEMS CORP.(TICKER: INSY) OF CLIFTON, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 12, 1990, the Interim Systems Corp., H & R Block Inc and Block Acquisition Corp. entered into a merger agreement providing for Block's acquisition of the Interim Systems Corp. for $1.66 in cash for each outstanding share, or a total of $45 million. In connection with the merger agreement, on Dec. 12, 1990, Sullivan entered into the stock purchase agreement with the purchaser wherein the an aggregate of 3,730,661 shares are subject to the agreement. Under the terms of the stock purchase agreement, Sullivan will either tender the purchase shares pursuant to the offer or sell the purchase shares to the purchaser immediately upon completion of the offer at the same price per shares is paid in the offer. Sullivan has granted the purchase an irrevocable proxy to vote all shares at any meeting of stockholders of the Interim Systems Corp. in favor of the merger and he is obligated to sell the purchase shares to the purchaser even if the merger agreement is terminated.

PURPOSE:

Merger agreement.

-30- 1402
#90354c0307 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

C.J. JOHNSON TRUSTEE OWNS 308,123 SHARES (11.80%) OF II VI INC.(TICKER: IIVI) OF SAXONBURG, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 11, 1990, Ms. Johnson donated to a nonprofit organization 30,000 of the shares of which she is the direct owner, pursuant to an agreement, among Ms. Johnson, Carl J. Johnson and the organization, under which Mr. Johnson was granted the right to purchase all or any of the donated shares at the lowest transaction pricer per share for II-VI Inc. common stock reported in the Wall Street Journal occurring during the period beginning Dec. 2, 1990 and ending on Dec. 12, 1990. Mr. Johnson will have until Jan. 1, 1991 to commit to the purchase of all or any of the donated shares. The organization may sell in the open market any of the donated shares which are not purchased by Mr. Johnson.

-30- 1031
#90354c0308 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

C.H. HOWARD OWNS 1,388,148 SHARES (21.49%) OF CARRINGTON LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: CARN) OF IRVING, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The common stock beneficially owned by Mr. Howard has been and continues to be held for investment purposes; however, in the future, Mr. Howard may sell shares of the common stock in open market transactions. Item 4(a) of Amendment No. 8 to Schedule 13D deleted Item 4(a) of Amendment No. 7.

-30- 631
#90354c0309 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

FURMAN SELZ MERCHANT PARTNERS LP. OWNS 427,800 SHARES (9.40%) OF COAST DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INC.(TICKER: CRV) OF SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 10, 1990, Furman Selz Merchant Partners LP. purchased 3,500 shares at $1.88 per share.

-30- 474
#90354c0310 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.A. LAWSON OWNS 533,339 SHARES (16.40%) OF NEWCOR INC.(TICKER: NEW) OF TROY, MICHIGAN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 11, 1990, W.A. Lawson entered into a stock option agreement with Mitchell Corp. of Owosso, pursuant to which Mitchell Corp. granted W.A. Lawson an option to purchase 522,174 shares of common stock. The option is exercisable for two years with an exercise price of $10.28 per share during the first year and $11.02 per share during the second year.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 11, 1990, W.A. Lawson paid Mitchell Corp. $522.17 in cash for an option to purchase 522,174 shares of common stock.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 847
#90354c0312 12/20/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY MANNING & NAPIER ADVISORS INC. OWNS 2,655,022 SHARES (18.20%) OF OIS OPTICAL IMAGING SYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: OVON) OF TROY, MICHIGAN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 14, 1990, advisors and Manning accepted the Guardian Letter of Intent which had been previously executed on Dec. 12, 1990 by Guardian and accepted by OIS on Dec. 12, 1990. The fully executed Letter of Intent was delivered to Guardian on Dec. 17, 1990 and it became effective in accordance with its terms.

PURPOSE:

Definitive stock purchase agreement.

-30- 751
#90354d0120 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) - A senior general's statement that U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia will not be ready for war by the January 15 U.N. deadline for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait has irked U.S. officials bent on standing tough in the Gulf crisis.

The Defense Department sought to put its own spin on the comment by Lieutenant General Calvin Waller, the deputy commander of U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia, saying Thursday "he was talking about the whole package" of U.S. forces in the Gulf region.

"There is a difference between coming to the conclusion that some units won't be ready and saying that we don't have the capability to go on the offensive," said Bob Hall, a Pengtagon spokesman.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater also tried to minimize the impact of Lt. Gen. Waller's remarks, made Wednesday in Saudi Arabia, saying, "What he really said is that they might not be as ready as they would like to be."

Other government officials expressed irritation at the remark, as did congressional supporters of President George Bush's policy in the Gulf.

"This is not the message we were trying to send now," an anonymous official told The New York Times. Other officials said the Waller remarks could lead Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to the wrong conclusion about U.S. determination to drive him out of Kuwait.

One backer of administration policy in the Gulf, Democratic Representative Robert Torricelli of New Jersey, said the president needed to "get his own military under control."

"The president has been saying that Saddam must not receive any comfort from the Congress, whatever our private hesitations. Now to have such hesitations being expressed publicly by our own military is really distrurbing," Mr. Torricelli said.

-30- 1976

#90354d0140 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ROME (DEC. 20) - European Community foreign ministers and their counterparts from 11 Latin American countries signed a cooperation agreement here Thursday.

''We want to help the governments and the peoples of Latin America with the democratisation process,'' said Italy's foreign minister, Giannni de Michelis. He said the pact was ''the formal recognition of South American countries' return to the community of democratic nations''.

The agreement, called the Declaration of Rome, calls for annual meetings at the ministerial level. The signatories pledged to support liberal trade practices and to help developing countries with their foreign debt.

Latin American countries had been concerned that the single European market, due to take effect in 1993, would erect trade barriers with the rest of the world.

The E.C. has already signed similar agreements with the United States and Canada - in November - and with Central America - in 1984.

Attending the conference in the Italian capital were the foreign ministers of Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Equador, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela as well as their counterparts from seven of the 12 E.C. countries.

-30- 1391
#90354d0280 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 20) - Japan's direct investment overseas in fiscal 1989, ending in March this year, soared 43.6 percent from the preceding fiscal year to 67.54 billion dollars, a semi-governmental body said Thursday.

It was the third year in a row that Japan's direct overseas investment had risen 40 percent or more, the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) said in an annual report.

Such investment jumped 51.8 percent to 33.90 billion dollars in North America and soared 62.4 percent to 14.81 in the European Community, the report said.

But Japanese direct investment in foreign countries dropped 10.2 percent in the first half of fiscal 1990, which started in April this year, compared to a year earlier.

The amount, 27.68 billion dollars, reflected sagging stock prices and higher interest rates in Japan, JETRO said.

It said Japan should increase investment in the Soviet Union, Eastern Europe and Central and South American countries.

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#90354d0310 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ACCRA (DEC. 20) - Palestine Liberation Organization (Plo) leader Yassir Arafat Thursday paid a one-day ''working visit'' to Ghana as part of an African tour to drum up support for the organization's stand linking the Gulf crisis with the Palestinian issue.

Arafat met with his host, Ghanaian leader Jerry Rawlings, for about one hour in private talks. No statement was issued.

He told reporters shortly before he left for an undisclosed destination that the Plo had ''offered some proposals'' towards finding a solution to the Gulf crisis to save and protect the lives of all the people in the region.

He denounced the ''double standards'' of the United States, saying that while it still supports Israel despite atrocities against the Palestinian people, the administration of President George Bush still dragged its feet on the implementation of United Nations Security Council resolutions regarding Palestinian rights.

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#90354d0380 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 20) - Credit Lyonnais bank has boosted its stake in Altus Finance (formerly Thomson CSF-Finance) by 15 percent, increasing it from 50.01 to 65 percent, the Thomson-CSF share declining to 35 percent, CL announced here on Thursday.

The bank said the move was strengthening its stockholders' equity by 1.5 billion francs (300 million dollars).

The deal was approved Thursday at a special CL stockholders' meeting.

Thomson-CSF is transferring 6,612,163 shares in Altus Finance to CL, receiving in exchange 1,322,570 new Credit Lyonnais shares, with dividend rights as of last October.

Thomson-CSF now holds, directly and indirectly, a total of 16.67 percent of the CL share capital.

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#90354d0410 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) - U.S. Secretary of State James Baker said Thursday he still hoped that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would receive him for talks on one of the dates proposed by Washington.

Iraq could ''later regret'' not having held the talks, Baker said.

The U.S. has proposed that Baker and Saddam meet in Baghdad between December 20 and January 3. Iraq, meanwhile, insists that talks be held January 12, just three days before the United Nations' deadline for Baghdad to withdraw from Kuwait or face the use of military force.

Because of the stalemate, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz cancelled talks with U.S. President George Bush planned for this past Monday.

Baker said he was prepared to travel to Baghdad ''on a moment's notice'' even during the Christmas and New Year's holidays. Asked if Aziz ought to come to Washington first, Baker said that Bush thought he should.

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#90354d0600 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) - The U.S. government was non-committal Thursday over remarks by the deputy commander of U.S. forces in the Gulf that his troops would not be ready for combat on January 15.

Secretary of State James Baker said he would not comment on the statements, adding that when he was in the Marine Corps, ''it was considered critical to preserve the element of surprise''.

Pentagon spokesman Bob Hall neither confirmed nor denied remarks by Lieutenant-General Calvin Waller that major reinforcements were still en route and would not be combat-ready until sometime between January 15 and mid-February.

Waller made the remarks just after U.S. Defence Secretary Richard Cheney's arrival Wednesday in Riyadh on a five-day visit.

Cheney held more talks there Thursday with the Saudi defence minister, Prince Sultan bin Abdul-Aziz, on military coordination between the two countries and Operation Desert Shield, a Riyadh-based U.S. Central Command spokesman said.

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#90354d0860 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (DEC. 20) - Lebanese President Elias Hrawi appointed Omar Karami as prime minister Thursday to form a new government entrusted with implementing law and order after nearly 16 years of civil war.

A statement by the presidential palace said Hrawi appointed 54-year-old Karami a lawyer from Tripoli, northern Lebanon, to form the new cabinet at the end of consultations with members of the parliament Thursday evening.

Karami replaces prime minister Salim al-Hoss, who resigned to make way Wednesday. The step was in line with a new constitution that was worked out by the Lebanese parliament in Taif, Saudi Arabia, in October last year so as to end the war.

It lays down that Moslems and Christians are to share cabinet and parliamentary seats equally with the prime minister being a Sunni Moslem. The formula kept the presidency in the hands of the Christians and the post of speaker of parliament for a Shiite Moslem.

Formation of a national unity cabinet is the second stage in the fullfillment of the Taif pact. The first stage was the reunification of the capital Beirut and suurounding areas under the authority of the central government and army after all militas had left the city.

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#90354d1020 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 20) - The 12 nations of the European Community (E.C.) will force all new-model cars to be fitted with U.S.-standard catalytic converters from the middle of next year, ministers agreed here Thursday.

The recommendation has only to be approved by the European Parliament in Strasbourg in order to become law.

The tough car-emissions standards are roughly similar to those prevailing at present in the United States, though Washington is known to be planning to halve exhaust limits again in 1995.

Several Community countries such as France had previously resisted low-emission laws, saying their motor-car industries might lose sales, and pollution levels were not high enough to justify action.

Environment ministers agreed that the tough new rules will apply to all new cars from the start of 1992, but will take effect early for model changes in mid-1991. The standards can only be met by fitting the cars with three-channel catalytic converters.

Used cars may also be affected. The ministers gave their blessing to tax rebates for cars that continue to meet the standards while in use. A german-led group meanwhile persuaded the others to consider in the course of 1992 even tougher emissions standards.

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#90354d1260 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (DEC. 20) - A number of U.S. anti-tank aircraft will start deploying in the Gulf after the U.N. deadline of January 15 for Iraqi troops to withdraw from Kuwait, a U.S. military official said here Thursday.

The U.S. Air Force's 10th tactical fighter wing based at Alconbury, England, will begin deploying A-10 "tank killers" on January 23, he said, without disclosing how many would be sent and how long the deployment would take.

The announcement came a day after the deputy commander of U.S. forces in the Gulf, Lieutenant General Calvin Waller, said U.S. forces would not be combat-ready for possibly a month after the United Nations deadline.

The U.N. Security Council has endorsed the use of force unless Iraqi troops withdraw from Kuwait by January 15.

The general, who spoke to reporters visiting Saudi Arabia with U.S. Defense Secretary Richard Cheney, added he would oppose a U.S. military strike until such forces were ready.

Reacting to the statement, U.S. Defense Department spokesman Pete Williams said here that Mr. Cheney would not decide when the forces would be combat-ready until the end of his visit.

"And when he reaches a conclusion, he will convey it to the president," a statement from Mr. Williams said.

"As General (Colin) Powell said in his statement to Congress, some parts of the force become ready before others. The air part of the force, for example, reaches its level of readiness earlier than the others," Mr. Williams said.

Mr. Cheney and Chief of Staff General Powell arrived in Saudi Arabia on Wednesday to review military strategy with U.S. Gulf Forces Commander General Norman Schwarzkopf.

The two, who met with Gen. Schwarzkopf and other field commanders Wednesday and again on Thursday, are due to leave on Sunday.

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#90354d1770 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) - Five children aged six to 13 were shot here Thursday as they walked home from school, apparently by a gunman in a passing car.

The victims were treated for gunshot wounds at the Children's National Medical Center, hospital spokeswoman Barbara Cire said.

Police spokesman Walt Ferguson said no suspects had been arrested in the assault, and that no motive for the shooting was apparent.

Two of the children suffered chest wounds, two were shot in the abdomen and another in the arm, said Dr. Marty Eichelberger. Three of the five were listed in serious condition.

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#90354d1870 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 21) - The Japanese economy is still on an expansionary track, entering its 49th straight month of growth, but the grow rate is slowing down, the Economic Planning Agency said Friday.

The agency said in its monthly report that continued growth was powered by steady domestic demand led by high-level corporate fixed investment, strong personal consumption and brisk corporate profits.

But the report said that for the latter half of the current fiscal year, ending next March, the manufacturing sector will experience a 1.1 per cent sales decline while the non-manufacturing sector will see a 6.7 per cent decline.

Agency officials said the governemnt was confident of growth, but added that if industries took a more cautious view and cut back on plant investment, things could reach a peak.

Turning to prices, domestic wholesale prices were lifted by the rise in

chemical products due to the Gulf crisis while consumer prices remained stable.

The report, however, confirmed the slowdown in economic growth, saying Japan's money supply in November showed the slowest pace of expansion in 11 months, from 11.8 per cent in October to 10 per cent in November, its third consecutive decline.

It also noted that Japan's gross national product (GNP) grew at an annual pace of 4.1 per cent in the July-September quarter, down from the previous quarter's 5.5 per cent.

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#90354d5400 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TECHNICAL FAILURE HALTS TRADING AT SINGAPORE STOCK EXCHANGE THURSDAY MORNING

SINGAPORE (DEC. 20) - Trading at the Stock Exchange of Singapore was suspended Thursday morning following a technical failure.

A SES spokesman said it was not known when the trading will be resumed.

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#90354d5460 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 20) - Japanese trading firm Tomen Corp. said Thursday it had agreed to acquire 40 per cent of Australia's Wingham Abattoirs and Anvic Meat Exports Pty. Ltd. for six million Australian dollars (four million U.S.).

Tomen said the acquisition, making it the largest shareholder, would help it prepare for the opening of the Japanese beef market to imports in April.

The company said imports of chilled beef from Wingham would double from 3,000 tonnes a year to 6,000 tonnes over a five-year period. As a result,

Wingham's sales are expected to increase from 40 million dollars (30 million U.S.) to 100 million dollars (75 million U.S.) in the same period.

Tomen is Japan's seventh-biggest trading company with sales of 6,324 billion yen (48 billion dollars) in the year to March. It has strong footholds in food and cotton trading activities.

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#90354d5470 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 20) - Japanese shipbuilders in the first eight months of fiscal 1990 received orders for 131 ship totalling 6.293 million gross tonnes,

up 23 per cent from the same period last year, the Japan Ship Exporters' Association said Thursday.

Oil tankers accounted for 80 ships, or 5.237 million gross tonnes of the total during the April to November period. Orders for cargo ships totalled 31 ships (568,650 gross tonnes), and there were orders for 12 bulk cargo ships (427,030 gross tonnes) as well as for another eight vessels (60,910 gross tonnes).

But orders received in November totalled only four ships, aggregating 145,900 gross tonnes, plunging 81.8 per cent from a year earlier and registering a second consecutive year-on-year decline.

Association officials said shipping owners were taking a "wait-and-see" attitude towards ordering new ships in the wake of the Gulf crisis, reflecting their concern over the outlook for the world economy, inflation and the weakening yen.

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#90354d5480 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (DEC. 20) - The Laotian government has approved 104 foreign investment projects worth more than 200 million dollurs in the past two years, the Vietnam News Agency (VNA) has reported.

Sectors boosted by foreign investment between 1988 and November this year included agriculture, tourism and hotels, import-export, banking, construction, timber and rattan, transport, aviation and mining, VNA said late Wednesday, citing the Laotian news agency KPL.

It said that eight of the 104 projects worth a total 226,314,000 dollars had been abandoned.

Investors came from Thailand, Vietnam, China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Singapore, the United States, Japan, France, Canada, Australia, Sweden, Denmark, Britain, Portugal and the Soviet Union.

A separate KPL dispatch said that two-way trade between Vientiane and Moscow in the past five year had been worth 305 million roubles (555 million dollars), with Laos in deficit.

Laos exported some 43 million roubles (78 million dollars) worth of goods,

mainly timber products, coffee and tin, and imported 262 million roubles (477 million dollars) worth including communications equipment, vehicles, spare parts, medical equipment, fuel, steel and cement.

In addition the Soviet Union granted Laos scientific and technical aid worth three million roubles (5.5 million dollars).

The current five-year economic cooperation pact between the two countries is due to end this month and economically battered Moscow is expected to cut back aid and ask for cash payment in future trade with Laos, one of the poorest countries in the world.

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#90354d5490 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 20) - Three leading Japanese computer manufacturers are to buy into UNIX System Laboratories (USL), a firm developing the promising next-generation UNIX computer operating system, the Nihon Keizai Shimbun said Thursday.

The companies -- Fujitsu Ltd., NEC Corp. and Toshiba Corp. -- will each purchase a one to four per cent stake worth seven million to 30 million dollars in outstanding shares of USL, a subsidiary of American Telephone and Telegraph Co., under the transaction to be concluded early next year, the leading financial newspaper said.

Asked to confirm the report, all three Japanese firms declined comment.

Two groups, Unix International Inc., led by AT and T, and Open Software Foundation (OSF), led by International Business Machines Corp., are developing competing versions of UNIX.

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#90354d5510 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (DEC. 20) - Indonesia's national carrier, Garuda Indonesia, plans to begin flights to China, Singapore, Taiwan, Japan and Australia, the official Antara news agency reported Thursday.

Garuda is awaiting government approval to open twice-weekly flights from Jakarta to Singapore, Guangzhou and Beijing, Antara quoted Head of Commercial Division Max Sahulata as saying.

Airline industry sources say they expect the flights to China, with which Indonesia reopened diplomatic ties in August, to begin in April.

Mr. Sahulata said the state-run airline planned to concentrate more in the Asia-Pacific region in the coming years by opening new routes and increasing frequencies.

The airline had already placed orders worth over four billion dollars for 64 new jets to add to its current fleets of 74.

Beginning in February, the airline under a joint venture operation with China

Airlines will begin a weekly direct flight between Taipei and Denpasar, capital of the Indonesian holiday island of Bali, he said.

Garuda was currently negotiating to up the frequencies of its flights to the Japanese cities of Fukuoka and Nagoya, he added.

The airline had also just clinched Australian government approval to open routes to Brisbane, Adelaide and Cairns, in addition to its existing services to Sydney, Melbourne, Perth and Darwin, Mr. Sahulata said, adding that some of these new routes could be opened before the middle of 1991.

Indonesia has declared 1991 as Visit Indonesia Year, during which the number of foreign tourists is expected to reach 2.4 million from 2.2 million this year and 1.63 million in 1989.

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#90354d5520 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WELLINGTON (DEC. 20) - Minority shareholders of the ailing Bank of New Zealand Thursday voted to approve a rescue plan.

At the bank's annual meeting, 800 shareholders approved an issue of 250 million New Zealand dollars (150 million dollars U.S) in new capital to major shareholders: the government, which holds 58.2 per cent of the current shares, and merchant bank Fay Richwhite with 29.9 per cent.

The bank ran into trouble over its poorly performing Australian loans portfolio and the new share issue is part of a 620 million dollar (381 million U.S.) government-funded bailout.

Only one shareholder voted against the share placements, but many voiced their displeasure at the bank's past performance and periodic releases of bad news which have seen the value of their shares dive.

There were calls for an official inquiry into what one shareholder called the bank's "disastrous events" over the last few years.

Chief executive Lindsay Pyne said the bank had established integrity into its management system. "We are in the business of lending money. It is a risk business and we are establishing policies, procedures and practices that willstand the test of scrutiny of good banking practices", he said.

"It is important to note that none of the loans that have gone into this reconstruction of the bank have been written by the current board and management," he added.

The capital-raising, through the issue of 200 million new ordinary shares to the government at a subscription price of 70 cents (42 U.S.) a share and 130.95

million preference shares to Fay Richwhite at 84 cents (50 U.S.) each, is to satisfy Reserve Bank capital adequacy requirements following the removal of deferred tax assets from the bank's balance sheet.

It is the second part of a restructuring which also involves quarantining of 2.8 billion dollars (1.68 billion U.S.) of mostly under-performing loans into a new company, Adbro, owned by the government and Fay Richwhite.

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#90354d5540 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (DEC. 20) - Indonesia's export growth slowed this year with earnings rising 6.2 per cent in the first eight months to 15.10 billion dollars, the Central Bureau of Statistics (CBS) said Thursday.

The CBS said in its latest report that earnings from oil and gas exports grew in January-August to 5.96 billion dollars, up 6.38 per cent compared to a year earlier, while revenues from non-oil commodities rose during the same period by 6.1 per cent to 9.14 billion dollars.

In contrast, oil and gas exports grew 13 per cent and non-oil exports by 17 per cent in the whole of 1989.

Official sources said they were pessimistic that non-oil commodities could repeat the impressive growth registered in 1989 but said the value of oil and gas exports was expected to leap because of hikes in world oil prices prompted by the Gulf crisis since August.

The CBS said imports grew nearly 26 per cent in the first eight months of this year to 12.87 billion dollars from 10.22 billion.

The report showed a significant reduction in export earnings from traditional commodities such as rubber and semi-processed rubber material and coffee, but major gains in revenues from shrimps, plywood, textiles and garments.

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#90354d5650 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 20) - Japanese carmaker Toyota Motor Corp. said Thursday it had formed a measuring equipment venture with Yokogawa Electric Corp., the world's second-biggest manufacturer of industrial instruments.

The new company, capitalised at 100 million yen (750,000 dollars), is 65 per cent owned by Toyota with Yokogawa holding 30 per cent. Toyota Central Research and Development Laboratories holds the remaining five per cent.

Toyota said the new company would employ about 40 people to develop highly-specialised measuring equipment and control systems to test new

vehicles. Operations are expected to start in February with sales in the first year targetted at 400 million yen (three million dollars).

The company also said it had begun work at a new biotechnology laboratory in Nagoya with a DNA sequencer, an environmentally-controlled greenhouse and automated equipment to measure electrophoresis and photosynthesis.

"Research will include protein engineering work on enzymes and natural materials as well as studies focussing on plant functions and possible engineering applications for them in the future," a statement said.

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#90354d5680 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 20) - China is considering selling a portion of its record grain harvest to the Soviet Union to help it overcome food shortages, an official report said here Thursday.

The China Daily, citing Vice Minister of Agriculture Chen Yaobang, reported that the quantity would depend on how much money Moscow was willing to spend since trade between the two socialist states will be conducted with hard currency beginning next year.

Mr. Chen however did not rule out the possibility of a barter exchange of wheat for Soviet industrial equipment.

Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs Tian Zengpei said in a recent interview with the German economic daily Handelsblatt that China planned to provide food to the Soviet Union on a commercial basis and not as aid.

China harvested a record 420 million tonnes of grain in 1990, compared to 407 million tonnes last year.

This bumper crop however has caused a number of problems for the state, pushing grain prices down to the detriment of peasants while widening the shortfall in storage capacity.

In a bid to handle the situation, the state promised to buy as much grain as possible at fixed prices and in September it disbursed 42 million dollars for the construction of grain storage facilities.

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#90354d5700 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (DEC. 20) - Tanzanian government has barred workers of the French clearing and forwarding company Notco from all customs points in the country because of Notco's alleged involvement in smuggling attempts, notably of ivory, authorities announced here Wednesday night.

The announcement said Notco's workers had become a ''big threat to the country's economy''.

Commissioner for customs and sales, Abdallah Kange said the ban followed Notco's suspension from the customs agency.

The tough action came barely a week after police intercepted at Notco's warehouse a container stuffed with 68 elephant tusks, worth 178,947 dollars destined for illegal export to Dubai by two South Koreans.

The impounding of the container followed a tip-off by an un-named person who trailed it from Morogoro town, 192 kilometers (120 miles) west of here, where it was loaded in a truck and transported to the Notco warehouse in Dar es salaam. The owners told port authorities that the container carried only bags of charcoal.

In his letter to Notco, Mr. Kange said the increased involvement of the firm's employees in export cheating posed a very serious danger to the Tanzanian economy.

The commissioner recalled two incidents this year involving Notco employees in aiding ivory smuggling attempts.

The first implicated Indonesian ambassador Hussein Joesoef, in an attempt to smuggle 184 elephant tusks. This attempt was foiled by police when a Notco tractor-trailer carrying the ivory broke down enroute to the port of Dar es salaam. Mr. Joesoef was subsequently expelled from Tanzania.

The second incident involved two Notco's godown and export managers who were interrogated by police in connection with ivory carvings found hidden in their office.

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#90354d5800 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KUALA LUMPUR (DEC. 20) - Malaysia has put off joining the International Cocoa Organisation (ICCO) from this month to early January because of a technical problem, an informed source said Thursday.

Not all cabinet ministers were able to give their views on a paper on Malaysia's membership of the price support organisation that was presented at the weekly cabinet meeting Wednesday, the source said.

The cabinet takes a break next week and will resume meeting from January 2.

Primary Industries Minister Lim Keng Yaik said last month that Malaysia, the world's fourth largest cocoa producer, should be ready to join the ICCO by the

end of the year.

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#90354d6040 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 20) - A realignment of currency rates within the European Monetary System (EMS) is not necessary under current circumstances, French Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy said here on Thursday.

But if there were an upgrading of the rates of the guilder, Belgian franc and Deutsche mark, the French franc should rise by a proportionate amount, he said.

"Some speak of a realignment, noting that the mark, guilder and Belgian franc, and perhaps the French franc could be revalued," he said.

"I do not want to see this".

He told a press conference: "If this hypothesis became a reality, for the French franc it would not be a matter of perhaps, it would be a certainty."

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#90354d6050 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BRUSSELS (DEC. 20) - EC Fisheries Commissioner Manual Marin was expected to propose a compromise to solve fish disputes on Thursday following tough over-night negotiations to agree a common policy for 1991, a Commission spokesman said.

The compromise would cover the total amount of each type of fish which fishermen would be authorised to take from each zone of European Community (EC) waters with a view to conserving stocks.

A second element of the compromise would concern structural measures to provide assistance for the provision of fishing equipment, and a reduction of the total number of fishing boats.

The third, and most controversial element, would concern a ban on the use of particular fishing techniques, and particularly the use of close-mesh nets, which are held responsible for the reduction of stocks.

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#90354d6110 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TIRANA (DEC. 20) - A group of intellectuals has founded a forum to investigate human rights violations in Albania, according to the writer Besnik Mustafaj.

The forum, founded late Wednesday, intends to "sensitize Albanian and

international public opinion to the problems of human rights in Albania," Mr. Mustafaj said.

He indicated that the group, the first of its kind in Albania, would use the Helsinki agreement and the charter of the Conference for Security and Cooperation in Europe as its points of departure.

The founders of the forum said that they would request legal recognition from Albanian authorities and to be affiliated with the international Helsinki federation, headquartered in Paris.

Earlier, the government officially recognized the Democratic Party, the country's first opposition formation.

Also on Wednesday, the Central Committee Secretary of the Albanian Union of Working Youth (AUWY), Mimoza Jaze, said the organization's position must change in view of the "new situation in the country."

In an interview broadcast by albanian radio, Mr. Jaze described the AUWY as an independent social organization whose task would be to meet the specific interests of young people, regardless of their political convictions or beliefs.

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#90354d6280 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 20) - The North Atlantic Treaty Organisation said here Thursday it was watching the Soviet Union "very closely" following the resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

A spokesman for the alliance said: "We are following developments very closely." He said further comment would be forthcoming later. There was no immedate reaction from the European Community.

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#90354d6380 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 20) - Soviet foreign policy will not change because of Eduard Shevardnadze's resignation, Vitaly Ignatenko, President Mikhail Gorbachev's spokesman, told journalists here Thursday.

"Gorbachev has asked me to say that the foreign policy of the Soviet Union will not change, because it is not linked to one man but to a political choice " he said.

Mr. Shevardnadze will remain foreign minister for a few days, pending confirmation of his resignation by the Supreme Soviet, he added.

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#90354d6470 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MANILA (DEC. 20) - Visiting Iranian deputy foreign minister Aladdin Boroujerdi has offered oil to the Philippines on "concessional terms," Foreign Affairs Secretary Raul Manglapus said here Thursday.

Mr. Manglapus said that Mr. Boroujerdi made the offer in a meeting after he arrived in this country Wednesday for a four-day visit on his first leg of a tour of Southeast Asia.

The Philippines previously sealed an agreement in August to acquire some 720,000 barrels of oil from Iran to replace the oil imports that were originally due from Kuwait and Iraq.

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#90354d6500 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 20) - Lithuania's parliamentary leadership, in a statement received here Thursday, reasserted that the republic was no longer part of the Soviet federation and was not represented at the fourth congress of Soviet deputies, currently being held in Moscow.

The presidium of the Lithuanian parliament said that the republic "has not been a Soviet republic since March 11, 1990" (the date of the Lithuanian declaration of independence), and "is not represented at the fourth congress of Soviet deputies in Moscow."

The statement contested the assertion of Anatoli Lukyanov, the speaker of the Supreme Soviet, that "15 republics are participating in debates" at the congress.

Soviet authorities are "attempting to ignore reality", the presidium said.

On Wednesday, Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis said that the declaration of a state of emergency in Lithuania would be a "new form of occupation".

Earlier, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev threatened to declare a state of emergency or impose direct presidential rule in troubled regions.

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#90354d6580 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 20) - Foreign cars sales in Japan are expected to jump 13.3 per cent to a record 255,000 units in 1991, the Japan Automobile Importers Association said Thursday.

The forecast, marking the sixth consecutive increase, was down sharply from the estimated 24.7 per cent rise this year due to higher interest rates which are expected to affect car loans, the association said.

Sales were brisk in the first half of the year but slackened in the second half due to the combined impact of higher interest rates and rising oil prices sparked by the Gulf crisis, it added.

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#90354d6640 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 20) - A Gulf-bound U.S. navy helicopter has crashed in the Pacific ocean, leaving one person dead and three others missing, the U.S. Embassy here said Thursday.

A UH-1N helicopter which took off from U.S. Subic Naval Base, north of here, crashed Wednesday between the Philippines and Guam, a mission spokesmen said.

The cause of the crash was not known, the spokesman said, adding that search teams had recovered the wreckage and were still looking for the three missing crew members.

The helicopter belonged to U.S.S. Tripoli which is part of U.S. Amphibious Task Force Three heading for the Gulf.

U.S. officials have withheld the names of the dead and missing crewmen pending notification of their relatives.

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#90354d6660 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (DEC. 20) - An expanded joint team of U.S. and Vietnamese experts have wrapped up a fresh search in the north and south of the country for American servicemen listed as missing in action (MIA).

"The results of the joint search have been good," Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Ho The Lan said, adding that nine sets of remains had been found in four northern provinces and 11 in two southern provinces during the 22-day search which ended Wednesday.

During the latest mission the two sides had expanded their team of experts from three each to six each.

The spokeswoman did not say if any positive identifications had been made.

But she said flak jackets and lifebuoys had been found "which proved the pilots were killed while they were in their planes," information which had been corroborated by witnesses.

Meanwhile, forensic experts from the two countries in Ho Chi Minh City had between December 7-19 examined 281 sets of human remains recovered from people who had stolen the bones, Mme. Lan said, without elaborating.

Washington says their are around 1,700 American MIAs still unaccounted for in this country since the Vietnam War ended in 1975.

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#90354d6850 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 20) - Tokyo approved Thursday a 22.75 trillion yen (171 billion dollar) five-year national defense program showing the lowest rate of growth since Japan's medium-term defense estimate plans started in 1976.

The 1991-95 program's three per cent average annual increase in defense spending compares to a 5.4 per cent annual rate of increase in the current five-year plan, which expires March, government officials said.

Spending should not be more than one per cent of gross national product, exceeded for the first time in 1987, a foreign ministry official said.

The new program was designed to allay the fears of Asian neighbours, who are wary of a resurgence in Japanese militarism and it also made a gesture to appease the United States, observers said.

From 1991, Tokyo will pay wages "to persons working for the United States forces in Japan as well as expenses for electricity, gas, water supply, sewerage and fuels for heating," government spokesman Misoji Sakamoto said.

A Pentagon report released Tuesday and quoted by Japanese news agency Jiji Press called for a cut by the end of 1992 of nearly 5,000 troops in the U.S. military forces in Japan, now estimated at 49,900.

Tokyo currently pays some three billion dollars annually -- about 40 per cent of the U.S. troops upkeep costs -- and will contribute another 220 billion yen (1.6 billion dollars) in the 1991-95 defense program.

By 1995, it will pay "approximately" 50 per cent of the support costs, said a government official.

Under the defense plan, spending on front-line military equipment -- including tanks, fighter planes and warships -- is to be trimmed, while logistics, communication and research development are to be improved.

Of the total, 5.1 trillion yen (38 billion dollars) is earmarked for military equipment, up 2.1 per cent on the current plan.

Military equipment registered a 9.3 per cent rise in the 1986-1990 plan.

The plan aims to cut the total number of tanks from 1,205 to 1,130 in the next five years and destroyers from 63 to 58.

The Ground Self-Defense Force personnel numbers are to rise to 153,000, against 152,000 in active service, but still well down on the 180,000 called for in the current plan.

It also calls for the purchase of four Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) planes from the United States and 36 multiple launch rocket systems to upgrade defense capability.

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#90354d6890 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 20) - India's tea exports slumped in the first 10 months of 1990 but earnings shot up compared to the same period last year, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said Thursday.

Tea exports fell from 161.8 million kilos (356 million pounds) to 148.9 million kilos (328 million pounds) between January and October PTI said.

Export earnings, however, increased during the same period by 70 million dollars to 423 million dollars, PTI quoted industry sources as saying.

PTI did not say what caused exports to decline but a separatist campaign in tea-rich Assam state in northeast India and increasing domestic consumption are believed to be responsible.

Tea is India's top foreign exchange earner but the country lost its position as the world's number one tea seller last year. The Soviet Union, Iran and Poland are among the major buyers of Indian tea.

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#90354d6920 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 20) - The Western world daily output of aluminium rose by 200 tonnes in November compared with the previous month, to 39,400 tonnes, its highest level since records began in 1973, the latest International Primary Aluminium Institute (IPAI) figures showed Thursday.

November daily output was 800 tonnes higher than in November 1989, when it reached 38,600 tonnes.

Total output for November was however 33,000 tonnes lower than in October, at 1,183,000 tonnes against 1,216,000 tonnes. But it was 26,000 tonnes higher than in November last year, when it reached 1,157,000 tonnes.

Total output, in thousands of tonnes, in different producing areas:

	Nov 1990	Oct 1990	Nov 1989
Africa	50	52	49
North America	464	481	456
Latin America	157	156	143
EastSouth Asia	97	98	94
Europe	292	301	292
Oceania	123	128	123
TOTAL	1183	1216	1157

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#90354d6980 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (DEC. 20) - The director of the Swedish Nordbanken banking group, Rune Barneus, has resigned, a spokesman for the bank said on Thursday.

Nordbanken is the leading bank in Sweden. The spokesman did not give a reason for the resignation, but said that a press conference would be held on Friday.

A well-informed economic source said that at the end of November the bank had had to reduce its forecasted profit for 1990 from 3.3 billion krone (about 600 million dollars) to two billion krone because of reported difficulties with loans to investment companies.

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#90354d7010 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (DEC. 20) - China's National Metals and Minerals Import and Export Corp. (China Minmetals) teamed up Thursday in a joint venture with Singapore's NatSteel Trade International.

Under an agreement signed here Thursday, the joint venture, Minnat Resources Pte Ltd., will trade and distribute metals, minerals and steel products in Singapore, China and the Austral-Asia region.

NatSteel Trade International is the trading arm of the diversified National Iron and Steel Mills Ltd (NatSteel).

Observers said the joint venture reflected local business optimism on trade

with China. The two countries established diplomatic relations in October.

Singapore is the fourth biggest foreign investor in China and its sixth largest trade partner.

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#90354d7080 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 20) - A sharper than expected fall in the money supply, announced Thursday by the Bank of England, is likely to exacerbate the British government's dilemma on the issue of interest-rate cuts.

A fall of 0.5 per cent in the total value of money circulating in the economy (the MO indicator) between October and November, and a drop in the annual growth of narrow money from 4.0 to 3.2 per cent (the lowest annual rate since 1986), will boost the government's claims that its anti-inflation strategy is working.

But it will also be taken as further evidence of the slide into harsher-than-anticipated recession and increase the pressure on government to reduce interest rates.

The continuing weakness of the pound within the ERM has significantly narrowed the government's room for maneouvre. At 1150 GMT Thursday the pound was slightly stronger against the German Mark at 2.863 DM, but it was still only four pfennigs above its ERM floor, and well below its central rate of 2.95 DM.

The figures on the money supply follow the announcement Wednesday that British GDP fell by 1.2 per cent between the second and third quarter of 1990,

the largest drop since 1980. The Central Statistical Office (CSO)'s survey of investment intentions, also published Wednesday, which produced a forecast of a seven per cent fall in investment in manufacturing in 1991.

Only six months ago the CSO's survey was producing a forecast of one per cent investment growth in 1991.

The government's problem is that if it reduces interest rates to ameliorate the impact of recession, it risks a further weakening of sterling and even the possibility of a humiliating devaluation of the pound within the ERM.

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#90354d7170 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (DEC. 20) - Inflation hit runaway levels this month in Vietnam and spread to an alarmingly wide range of goods, the army daily Quan Doi Nhan Dan said Thursday.

Rice has jumped from 1,500 to 2,200 dong (20 to 30 U.S. cents) a kilo since the start of the month, while other "strategic" products such as steel, cement, fertilizer and insecticides have been hit by price hikes of 20 to 100 per cent.

At the same time, the Vietnamese currency has tumbled from 6,800 to 7,280 dong per dollar on the black market, further widening the gap with the official exchange rate, which increased from 6,500 to 6,600 dong per dollar this month.

Officials say the devaluation of the dong is due to inflation, the government's need for hard currency to meet end-of-year payments, and the buying of gold and hard currency by individual Vietnamese as a hedge against inflation.

"The increase in prices of (strategic) products has pushed up the prices of other products," such as manufactured goods and food, said Quan Doi Nhan Dan.

Price hikes had previously been limited to a few items but now inflation had spread to a wide range of "important strategic items", the daily said, adding that "prices are now rising in a runaway manner."

The surge in rice prices is due to the higher costs of materials used in production -- fertilizer, insecticides, fuel -- as well as shortages caused by farmers setting aside large stockpiles in expectation of a poor harvest.

The price of gasoline (petrol) has tripled on the open market since the start of the Gulf crisis in August.

Vietnam has also been forced to make emergency purchases of fertilizer from Asian countries in the last few months after the Soviet Union -- which had been the main supplier -- failed to meet its supply schedule for 1990.

The brutal upturn in inflation has ended more than a year of price stability that had made Vietnam one of the most successful among poor countries in controlling inflation.

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#90354d7270 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC.20) - Failure to seal an agreement with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) may lead the Philippines into recession, economic officials here said Thursday.

However, if the Philippines succeeds in passing key deficit-reduction measures crucial to the completion of the agreement, the resulting inflow of five billion dollars in new credits would speed the country's economic recovery, the officials said.

Central Bank governor, Jose Cuisia, said failure to pass the measures "could

result in a recession," adding that it would "certainly result in a slowdown."

"We are already seeing a slowdown in the economy. That would probably accelerate further," Mr. Cuisia said.

Economic Planning Secretary Cayetano Paderanga said a new agreement would lead to the inflow of as much as 5.067 billion dollars from multilateral and bilateral sources.

He said this would include tranches from World Bank programs totalling 200 million dollars as well as three Japanese assistance programs totalling 627 million dollars.

Mr. Cuisia said some 700 million dollars would come from the IMF itself but more credit programs that were still pending "could also be affected," including crucial foreign assistance funds.

Mr. Paderanga said the 1.5 per cent economic growth his agency forecast for next year would occur only if the government failed to implement its economic stabilization program, intended to shrink the deficit.

However, he said he was confident that economic growth would range from 2.5 to 3.9 per cent next year provided all sectors contributed to implementing the program.

A previous three-year IMF agreement with the Philippines collapsed in October after Manila's deficits exceeded levels set in the agreement. This led to the freezing of many foreign credit programs and contributed to a foreign exchange shortage.

The budget deficit was expected to total 59.8 billion pesos (2.13 billion dollars) this year.

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#90354d7350 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 20) - Oliver Tambo, the 73-year-old African National Congress (ANC) president who returned home last week after more than 30 years in exile, is to visit his birthplace after Christmas, the ANC said Thursday.

He will visit the Bizana district of what is now nominally-independent Transkei from December 26 to 29, and address a rally in the Transkei capital Umtata on the last day, before returning to Johannesburg.

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#90354d7380 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 20) - Western nations Thursday expressed deep concern and

alarm in response to the surprise resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze after five years in office.

A senior official of the North Atlantic Alliance said in a first reaction that apart from the Gulf crisis, the present political instability in the Soviet Union was Nato's greatest headache.

Shevardnadze cited the danger of an impending dictatorship as reason for his resignation.

The 12-member European Community said it was deeply concerned by the news. E.C. Commissioner for External Relations Frans Andriessen said Shevardnadze had played ''an important role in political and economic reforms in the Soviet Union''.

Bonn Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher praised Shevardnadze, 61, for the role he played in paving the way for the unification both of Germany and Europe. His move should be seen as yet another reason for the West to support reform forces in the Soviet Union, he said.

Dutch Foreign Minister Hans van den Broek expressed ''shock and concern'' in response to the news. He said he was alarmed by the reason Shevadnadze had given for his surprise move.

Danish Foreign Minister Uffe Ellemann-Jensen spoke of concern and deep regret, adding: ''It is too early to evaluate the repercussions. But in any case it is an alarming development''.

Pretoria Foreign Minister Roelof Botha hailed the ''positive role'' the Soviet foreign minister played in agreements leading to the independence of Namibia from South African rule.

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#90354d7490 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 20) - The European Community (EC) has published a guide for businessmen in its 12 member countries on how to invest in Japan, The European Commission, the EC's executive arm, said here Thursday.

It said in a statement that the guide covers everything a potential European investor needs to know -- from making his first decision to go into the Japanese market on a small scale to making a considerable investment.

The guide grades the potential of each region in Japan, and lists incentives offered to investors by the various local authorities.

The EC statement said that patience and perseverance are needed for building a business in Japan, but rewards for high-quality products adapted to the

Japanese market could be considerable.

"Nevertheless, one should not under-estimate the difficulties, particularly of a social and structural nature, in penetrating the Japanese market," the statement said.

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#90354d7510 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SINGAPORE (DEC. 20) - Singapore's petroleum and petro-chemical industry remains buoyant and is likely to register more than 20 per cent annual growth in the 1990s, the Economic Development Board (EDB) said Thursday.

The EDB said the industry grew 15 per cent in 1989 to chalk up sales worth 14 billion Singapore dollars (8.2 billion U.S.).

Foreign investment from such firms as Royal Dutch Shell, Mobil, Exxon and Du Pont showed their "continuing confidence in the local petroleum and petrochemical sector."

For many of these corporations, Singapore was chosen as a strategic point for their business network in the fast-growing Asia-Pacific region, it said.

"One of Singapore's competitive advantages for the international chemical corporations has been her ability to anticipate their needs and to develop infrastructure ahead of demand," the EDB noted.

The EDB said its plan to develop six off-shore islands into a single "Chemical Island Complex" would create additional land for the chemical processing industry in future.

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#90354d7540 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (DEC. 20) - Share prices of Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. Ltd. plunged in Thursday trading following a radio report that it would be described in a British television documentary as "teetering on the brink."

According to the report, the documentary, to be screened in Britain late Thursday, alleges News Corp. has been involved in questionable accounting practices and share transactions as well as in possible tax avoidance.

Australian government sources said later that new laws will force the company to pay tax which it has been able to avoid in the past through use of overseas tax havens.

At the same time an Australian newspaper reported News Corp. had fallen almost a week behind in its self-imposed timetable for rescheduling debts of almost

nine billion dollars (6.92 billion U.S.).

Some brokers said that although much of the information was already known, it still had the effect of creating panic selling which affected the market in general, causing the Australian Stock Exchange to query the reasons.

At one stage in early trading, shares in News Corp. fell by 1.24 dollars reaching 4.20 dollars, the lowest point in its recent history, before recovering to 4.60.

About one million News Corp. shares, which had a 1990 year high of 14.90, changed hands during morning trade.

According to one dealer with Smith New Court, reports about News Corp.'s financial problems "shattered the confidence" of the sharemarket.

"The panic selling in News Corp. spread right throughout the market," he added.

News Corp. finance director Peter Chegwyn said in response to the stock exchange inquiry that the group knew no reason for the recent slump in its share price, and was "very pleased" with progress on its debt rescheduling proposals.

He said a large majority of banks and other lenders to News Corp. had already indicated agreement to the terms of the group's proposals to refinance its debt and News Corp. continued to "trade well."

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#90354d7580 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 20) - Japan's Finance Ministry says the country's banking system is still healthy despite a dramatic plunge this year in Japanese stock prices and growing signs of financial weakness in the United States.

"We have no worries at all about the fundamental soundness of our banking system," said Makoto Utsumi, Vice Minister of Finance for International Affairs,
in an interview with Agence France-Presse.

"My concern is that Japanese banks will become more inward-looking," he said, referring to new global standards for banks to improve their capital strength.

The new rules by the Bank for International Settlements (BIS), are likely to force banks to raise more capital, reduce assets, or both.

Mr. Utsumi, seen as Japan's most influential policymaker in international financial affairs, said it was "dangerous to make easy estimations" about the soundness of the global financial system.

But he expressed confidence in the United States coming to terms with the mounting problems in its financial sector.

"As in the past, U.S. monetary authorities will properly tackle these problems without causing a serious situation," he said.

For Japan, Mr. Utsumi said there is no question of extending the BIS capital deadline beyond 1993.

He offered three reasons for not worrying about the health of Japanese banks, whose profits are expected to tumble 40 per cent this year:

- He acknowledged that banks were suffering losses as a result of the plunge in stock prices, which at one point this year were almost 50 per cent below the peak they reached at the end of last year.

Such losses reflect declines in the value of stocks acquired in recent years when prices soared, he said.

But a "large part of their total stockholdings" were acquired a long time ago,

when prices were often as low as 50 yen (38 cents) a share, compared with the current average of around 25,000 yen (181 dollars), he added.

"That means," he said, "there are still very thick hidden reserves."

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#90354d7920 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC 20) - A conservative Soviet colonel said Thursday that he did not take the resignation of Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze seriously and thought it would not be accepted by parliament.

"I am sure Shevardnadze was following orders from Gorbachev," Colonel Nikolai Petrushenko, a member of the conservative Soyuz parliamentary group, told reporters.

"I think that in Shevardnadze's speech there was a lot of political gamesmanship. I don't think he's going to let himself drown," he said, adding that he believed the resignation would be rejected by parliament.

However, a Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman said that Mr. Shevardnadze's decision was "final."

During his resignation speech, Mr. Shevardnadze strongly rebuked recent attacks against him in the press, including that by "two colonels."

They had boasted, he said, that after toppling Interior Minister Vadim Bakatin the time had come to "settle scores with the foreign minister."

Colonel Petrushenko said that he assumed he was one of the two officers referred to in the speech.

Colonel Viktor Alksnis, a leader of the Soyuz faction, told journalists that he believed that he was the second colonel mentioned by Mr. Shevardnadze.

"I never asked for the resignation of Bakatin or Shevardnadze, but I do find a lot wrong with our foreign policy," he said.

Vitaly Ignatenko, spokesman for Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, said that Mr. Shevardnadze's resignation appeared to be due to "psychological pressure," but added "I don't think his political life is over."

Meanwhile, presidential adviser Alexander Yakovlev expressed concern over "signs that the extreme right has been set free and is raising its head," and criticized the indifference of "certain democratic forces."

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#90354d7980 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (DEC 20) - Senegalese President Abdou Diouf said Thursday his country was prepared to send more troops to Saudi Arabia, where it has already deployed 500 soldiers as part of a multinational force.

"Senegal is ready to dispatch more troops to the Saudi kingdom" to contribute to the U.S.-led force that assembled after the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, he said.

Mr. Diouf, quoted by the Saudi newspaper Asharq al-Awsat, stressed that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein "must withdraw his troops from Kuwait unconditionally and compensate the Kuwaiti people."

"Iraq invaded Kuwait and caused heavy losses, and above all it must repair the damages," the Senegalese president said.

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#90354d8100 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC 20) - The NATO allied command, reacting here Thursday to the resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, warned that Moscow had to maintain order without sacrificing democratic principles.

General John Galvin, commander of the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers in Europe (SHAPE), said in a statement: "The Soviets certainly face a bleak winter. I hope what we're hearing now (the resignation) doesn't make it worse."

He added: "All of us in the West want to see the Soviet people continue on a track that will lead to full democracy, free enterprise and respect for himan rights.

"But this has to be done in a way that maintains order without sacrificing democratic principles," the SHAPE commander said.

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#90354d8390 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC 20) - Iran is sending experts to join a probe into the murder of Iranian diplomat Sadiq Ganji in Pakistan, a Pakistani Foreign Ministry spokesman here said Thursday.

Mr. Ganji, 28, head of the Iranian cultural centre, was shot dead late Wednesday by unidentified assassins outside the International Hotel in Lahore, where he was to attend a farewell dinner in his honour.

The killing appeared to have been a "planned assassination," Foreign Secretary Shaharyar Mohammed Khan told reporters here.

The government had beefed up protection for Iranian diplomats throughout the country after the murder, he said.

He said Mr. Ganji's body was flown to Iran on Thursday in an aircraft provided by the Pakistan government and was accompanied by Punjab Governor Mian Mohammed Azhar.

Nothing definite could be said about the killers or their motives, but the killing was unlikely to have arisen from a personal vendetta against a "very active and very friendly diplomat," Mr. Shaharyar Khan said.

But some Iranian refugees who had fled the revolution in Iran were in Pakistan and the killing could be political, he said.

"The entire background will be known in the investigation," he said, adding that Islamabad had promised to cooperate fully with the Iranians and was determined to learn the facts and arrest those involved.

Police had captured a Pakistani youth who suffered critical injuries after he tried to commit suicide as police surrounded him, Mr. Shaharyar Khan said.

The youth had come to the hotel in a car and left on a motorcycle, he said.

Police said they had arrested four other suspects but gave no further details.

Mr. Ganji, who took part in the Iranian revolution and the Iran-Iraq war, is

survived by his wife and two sons, aged three and two years.

An expert in Islamic studies, he wrote research papers on Pakistan's socio-political life and a history of the fundamentalist Jamaat-e-Islami party. He was fluent in Urdu, Pakistan's national language.

The official Associated Press of Pakistan said in an obituary that during Mr. Ganji's time here he invited about 3,000 people every year to visit Iran as guests of the Iranian government.

Mr. Ganji was also one of the Iranian youths who occupied the U.S. Embassy in Teheran after the revolution.

He reportedly referred to "CIA (the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency) documents" seized at that time from the U.S. mission, while speaking at the launching here Tuesday of a book about executed former Pakistani prime minister, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto.

The Jang newspaper, which has the largest circulation in the country, quoted him as saying the CIA had plotted Bhutto's execution.

Mr. Ganji was killed only few days before his scheduled return to Iran to take up the editorship of a newspaper.

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#90354d8500 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BELGRADE (DEC 20) - Several Albanians trying to flee their country for Yugoslavia were killed by Albanian police overnight, Radio Belgrade said here Thursday.

About 20 Albanians, including several children, were on rafts, built with tractor tires, when Albanian police opened fire, the radio said.

They were navigating on the Bojana river, which feeds into the Adriatic Sea on the border with Yugoslavia, it said.

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#90354d8510 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 20) - Bank of France governor Jacques de Larosiere said Thursday that he has set the target for 1991 growth of the French M3 money supply at five to seven per cent, against a 7.2 per cent rise this year.

All three figures relate to M3 in its new definition, which differs from the older one in including funds held by "OPCVM" (securities mutual funds). Both the old and the new definition take in coins, banknotes, demand deposits, short-term bank deposits, and savings accounts.

Mr. de Larosiere said that the new definition will facilitate comparisons of French monetary policy with the policy of its partners within the European Monetary System (EMS).

In the old M3 definition, it would have increased by only three per cent this year.

The central bank governor said that French monetary policy next year "will remain guided by two objectives: the struggle against inflation and the franc's stability."

Meanwhile, the French National Assembly gave final approval to the 1991 finance (budget) law on Thursday, as no motion of no-confidence in the government had been filed in the wake of the government's use of a constitutional provision to have the bill passed without a formal vote.

The 1991 national budget calls for expenditures of 1.52 trillion francs (300 billion dollars), receipts of 1.44 trillion, and a deficit of 81 billion.

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#90354d8570 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC 20) - European Community (EC) fisheries ministers reached agreement here Thursday on fishing quotas for 1991, after more than 25 hours of negotiations on how to preserve dwindling fish stocks, diplomatic sources said.

The sources said the accord on the quotas, along with conservation measures that needed to be taken, was unanimous. Most of the attention was focussed on the North Sea, where overfishing has threatened several species of fish.

The agreement capped hard negotiations on ways to limit fish catches so that dwindling stocks will not be fished into extinction.

An EC Commission source had said earlier that each minister agreed that "there are no more fish", but each wanted to protect the fishing interests of his own country.

The commission has proposed paying fishermen to take vessels out of service. Mr. Marin has said the fishing fleets of EC countries need to be cut by 40 per cent to permit fish stocks to recover.

The independent International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES) said in a recent study that over 90 per cent of the main fish varieties in the Atlantic Ocean were overfished.

A recent EC study indicates that cod, haddock, plaice and herring are dying four times faster than they should be in the North Sea, and that the same

applies to cod in the Baltic Sea.

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#90354d8730 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRETORIA (DEC 20) - South Africa's year-on year inflation recorded its highest level in 11 months in November at 15.3 per cent, up 1.3 per cent on October's annualised 14 per cent, the Central Statistical Servies said here Thursday.

Inflation figures based on the Consumer Price Index posted a two per cent rise in November over the year's low, the annualised 13.3 per cent recorded in July as oil price rises came into play.

Up to May, the inflation rate had topped 14 per cent for more than a year.

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#90354d8740 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 20) - Japan's production of electronic products is expected to increase 6.7 per cent to some 25.49 trillion yen (190 billion dollars) in calendar 1991, an industry group said Thursday.

Computers and semi-conductors are likely to lead the growth, the Japan Electronic Industries Association said.

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#90354d9190 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 20) - Russian Federation President Boris Yeltsin on Thursday suggested that Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze's resignation served the interests of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

"I am convinced that Mr. Shevardnadze's resignation is not a blow to Mr. Gorbachev," he told the independent Interfax news agency.

"It's rather the other way round," he said without elaborating.

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#90354d9390 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (DEC. 20) - Nigeria's Social Democratic Party (Sdp), one of two government-sponsored political parties that contested local government elections on December 8, led in the overall results officially released by the national electoral commission Thursday.

Although 12 days had passed since the polls, results from 15 councils were still not available, the Nec chairman Humphery Nwosu said.

According to the results, the Sdp won 232 of 453 council chairmanship positions, leaving the other government-sponsored party, the National Republican Convention (Nrc) with 206.

Of 5,575 council seats at stake nation-wide, the left-leaning Sdp captured 2,934 to the right-leaning Nrc's 2,558. Nigeria's military-backed government set up the twin parties to offer voters a choice while preventing a resurgence of tribal politics.

The success of the elections, the first of the polls that are to usher in civilian rule by 1992, has been attributed here to open balloting. Commentators said secret balloting in the past led to vote-rigging and violence.

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#90354d9500 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (DEC. 20) - At least 42 people were killed and 14 others injured when a tour coach exploded in flames after colliding with a speeding train in southern Taiwan Thursday.

The crash occurred in the early evening when the coach, carrying 51 passengers apparently tried to beat the train to the railway crossing in the small town of Luchu, Klaohsiung County, about 321 kilometres south of Taipei. The coach was hit in the rear by the Tzuchiang Express train, police sources said.

Other sources said the bus was backing up from a narrow alley when it collided with the train at the crossing.

''After it was hit in the rear, the bus burst into flames when it struck a high-voltage power cable,'' an eyewitness said.

The bus exploded into a fiery ball, and screams for help and cries were heard from far away.

Police said all the dead were passengers on the coach, all members of a farm union in Pingtung, southern Taiwan.

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#90354d9570 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 20) - The Supreme Soviet's foreign relations commission met in emergency session Thursday and decided to recommend rejection of the resignation of Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, political sources said.

Commission chairman Alexander Dzasokhov was quoted as saying "there are too many negative aspects in this (resignation) decision, especially when taking into account the summit between presidents George Bush and Mikhail Gorbachev"

scheduled to take place here February 11 to 13.

The commission's recommendation will go to the Supreme Soviet -- the legislative assembly -- and the Congress of People's Deputies -- the full-scale parliament.

The Supreme Soviet is scheduled to meet immediately after the congress ends its session, set for December 28.

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#90354d9640 12/20/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, UNITED NATIONS (DEC. 20) - The U.N. Security Council approved by consensus Thursday a statement by its president endorsing the idea of an international Middle East peace conference to resolve the Arab-Israeli conflict.

The statement, read by Ambassador Abdalla Saleh Al-Ashtal of Yemen, said the "Arab-Israeli conflict is unique and must be addressed independently on its own merits."

Coming in a statement from the president, the endorsement was weaker than a full-fledged resolution from the 15-member council because the former is not binding on U.N. members.

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#90354e0043 12/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC 20) EFE - Israeli security forces have arrested 70,000 Palestinians during the three-year-old intifada uprising in the Occupied Territories, officials said Thursday.

Armed Forces chief prosecutor Brig. Amnon Strasnow said that 45,000 of those arrested had been tried.

He added that 200 members of the Islamic fundamentalist group Hamas had been arrested in a recent round-up which came after three Jews were stabbed to death by suspected Hamas members last Friday.

Palestinian sources have said more than 1,000 suspected Hamas activists were detained in the crackdown, including 200 minors.

Strasnow added that there were currently 900 Palestinians under administrative arrest, a term used for detention without trial for renewable periods of six months.

He said that 35 per cent of those held under administrative arrest in the last three years had been freed after appealing to military courts.

Meanwhile, Palestinian sources said Israeli troops shot and wounded seven Arabs on Thursday at Khan Junis refugee camp in the Gaza Strip.

More than 1,000 Palestinians and some 50 Jews have been killed in the intifada.

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#90354e0044 12/20/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

GUATEMALA CITY (DEC. 20) EFE - The Organization of American States Thursday blamed leftist guerrillas for the massacre of 22 peasants in the western village of El Aguacate in November 1988.

A report of the Interamerican Commission on Human Rights (CIDH) concludes "after a lengthy and exhaustive enquiry" that rebels belonging to the Guatemalan National Revolutionary Union were responsible for the murders.

The government immediately blamed leftist guerrillas for the massacre, which sparked a wave of international protest, but opposition groups suggested the Army was responsible.

Some 100,000 people have died in three decades of civil war. Human rights groups have blamed the Army for killing most of the war's victims.

In its report, the CIDH said it "totally rejects accusations laid against the Guatemalan Armed Forces" in the El Aguacate case.

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#90354h0010 12/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

YANGON (DEC. 20) XINHUA - A JOINT VENTURE COMPANY LIMITED BETWEEN THE MYANMAR FISHERIES ENTERPRISE AND THE SEA FISHERS OVERSEAS LIMITED OF BANGLADESH IS EXPECTED TO BE SET UP SHORTLY.

ACCORDING TO A NOTIFICATION SIGNED BY BRIG-GEN DAVID ABEL, MYANMAR MINISTER FOR TRADE, ON WEDNESDAY, THE MYANMAR FOREIGN INVESTMENT COMMISSION HAS GRANTED A PERMIT TO THE JOINT VENTURE COMPANY FOR FISHING ALONG THE RAKHINE COASTAL AREA OF WESTERN MYANMAR AND PROCESSING AND MARKETING OF MARINE PRODUCTS.

THE AUTHORIZED CAPITAL OF THE MYANMAR SEA FISHERIES JOINT VENTURE IS 100 MILLION KYATS (ABOUT 17 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) DIVIDED INTO 10,000 SHARES OF 10,000 KYATS EACH. 5,000 SHARES ARE HELD BY THE MYANMAR GOVERNMENT AND THE OTHER 5,000 SHARES BY THE SEA FISHERS OVERSEAS LIMITED OF BANGLADESH.

A DOZEN FISHERY COMPANIES FROM THAILAND, SINGAPORE, MALAYSIA, THE UNITED STATES, SOUTH KOREA AND HONG KONG HAVE OBTAINED FISHING RIGHTS ON MYANMAR TERRITORIAL SEA. HENCE, THE MYANMAR GOVERNMENT HAS EARNED INCOME OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE FROM THESE COMPANIES ANNUALLY.

SOME FOREIGN FISHERY COMPANIES HAVE SIGNED JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENTS WITH THE MYANMAR FISHERIES ENTERPRISE UNDER THE COUNTRY'S MINISTRY OF LIVESTOCK BREEDING AND FISHERIES.

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#90354h0011 12/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BUDAPEST (DEC. 19) XINHUA - HUNGARY AND POLAND BEGAN THEIR TALKS HERE TODAY ON THE INTRODUCTION OF BILATERAL TRADE PAYMENTS IN TERMS OF U.S. DOLLAR NEXT YEAR.

THE TALKS WERE HELD BETWEEN KADAR BELA, HUNGARIAN MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS, AND JERZY OSIATYNSKI, CHAIRMAN OF THE POLISH STATE PLANNING COMMISSION.

THE TWO OFFICIALS DECIDED TO RECONSTRUCT THE MECHANISM OF BILATERAL ECONOMIC AND TRADE RELATIONS. THEY ALSO BELIEVED IT IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR THE TWO COUNTRIES TO REACH AN AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION IN SCIENCE AND ECONOMY.

THEY ALSO AGREED TO SUPPORT THE ESTABLISMENT OF A SYSTEM OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

HUNGARY EXPRESSED ITS SUPPORT FOR POLAND'S EFFORTS TO A FULL MEMBER OF THE FIVE-NATION GROUP IN CENTAL AND SOUTHERN EUROPE.

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#90354h0040 12/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CHENGDU (DEC. 20) XINHUA - SICHUAN, CHINA'S LARGEST SILK PRODUCER, HAS HARVESTED 895,000 TONS OF SILKWORM COCOONS THIS YEAR, UP 5.9 PERCENT OVER LAST YEAR'S RECORD HIGH.

THE PROVINCE ALSO PURCHASED 4.5 PERCENT MORE SILKWORM COCOONS THIS YEAR, MARKING A 4.5 PERCENT INCREASE OVER LAST YEAR'S PURCHASES, A PROVINCIAL OFFICIAL SAID TODAY.

HE ATTRIBUTED THE RECORD HARVEST TO LOCAL ADMINISTRATIONS' EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE SILKWORM COCOON PRODUCTION.

THE PURCHASING PRICE OF SILKWORM COCOONS THIS YEAR NEARLY DOUBLES THAT OF 1983. LOCAL GOVERNMENTS HAVE ALSO DRAWN UP PREFERENTIAL POLICIES TO BOOST SILKWORM PRODUCTION.

DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS THE PROVINCE'S SILKWORM COCOON OUTPUT HAS BEEN INCREASED BY AN AVERAGE OF FIVE PERCENT. AND IN RECENT YEARS MULBERRY FIELDS HAVE BEEN INCREASED BY ABOUT 6,700 HA EACH YEAR.

STATISTICS SHOW THAT SICHUAN EXPORTED 180 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS-WORTH OF SILK PRODUCTS DURING THE FIRST 11 MONTHS OF THIS YEAR.

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#90354h0049 12/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 20) XINHUA - THE WORLD BANK HAS ANNOUNCED THAT SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA'S DEBT STOOD AT 147 BILLION DOLLARS AT THE END OF LAST YEAR.

THE BANK SAID WEDNESDAY IN ITS WORLD DEBT TABLES 1990- 1991 THAT THE AMOUNT REPRESENTED ABOUT 12 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL DEBTS OWED BY ALL DEVELPING NATIONS.

THE WORLD BANK SAID THAT SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA'S DEBT, RELATIVE TO GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT IN 1989, WAS 100 PERCENT WHILE THE DEBT SERVICE PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR EQUALLED TO 27 PERCENT OF ITS EXPORTS.

ACCORDING TO THE WORLD BANK OFFICIAL FIGURES, NIGERIA'S EXTERNAL DEBT WAS 32.8 BILLION DOLLARS AT THE END OF LAST YEAR.

IT SAID THAT THE COUNTRY'S DEBT SERVICE FOR 1989 TOTALLED 1.8 BILLION DOLLARS WHILE INTEREST ON THE DEBT STOOD AT 1.3 BILLION DOLLARS.

MEANWHILE, THE WORLD BANK HAS ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT IT HAS APPROVED NEW CREDITS TOTALLING 343 MILLION DOLLARS TO GHANA, UGANDA AND NIGERIA.

GHANA WOULD RECEIVE 123 MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (IDA), OF WHICH 27 MILLION DOLLARS WILL SUPPORT A PROJECT DESIGNED TO HELP IMPROVE HEALTH SERVICES FOR ABOUT THREE MILLION PEOPLE IN THE NORTHERN REGIONS OF THE COUNTRY AND ANOTHER 96 MILLION DOLLARS WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT ITS SECOND TRANSPORT REHABILITATION PROJECT.

UGANDA WILL RECEIVE A 100 MILLION DOLLAR IDA CREDIT TO FINANCE ITS COFFEE INDUSTRY AND AGRICULTURAL PROJECTS.

NIGERIA WILL RECEIVE A 120 MILLION DOLLAR CREDIT TO SUPPORT A PRIMARY-EDUCATION PROJECT TO INCREASE THE AVAILABILITY OF TEXTBOOKS, LIBRARY BOOKS AND OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS IN OVER 35,000 PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

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#90354h0050 12/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GUANGZHOU (DEC. 20) XINHUA - THE VALUE OF GUANGDONG PROVINCE'S FOREIGN TRADE BETWEEN JANUARY AND MID-DECEMBER THIS YEAR TOTALLED 9.1 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS, UP 26.92 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR AND EXCEEDING THE STATE PLAN BY 44.7 PERCENT, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS.

A PROVINCIAL OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF FOREIGN TRADE ATTRIBUTED THE GOOD RESULT TO THE INCREASE OF EXPORT GOODS PRODUCED BY FOREIGN-FUNDED ENTERPRISES.

HE SAID THAT THE AMOUNT OF GOODS PRODUCED BY FOREIGN-FUNDED ENTERPRISES ACCOUNTED FOR 41.2 PERCENT OF THE PROVINCE'S TOTAL, UP 5.6 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

WHILE IMPLEMENTING THE POLICY TO ENCOURAGE EXPORTS, GUANGDONG'S LOCAL GOVERNMENTS HAVE STREAMLINED COMPANIES AND PAID CLOSE ATTENTION TO UPGRADING ENTERPRISES' TECHNOLOGY AND IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF GOODS PRODUCED FOR EXPORT.

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#90354h0064 12/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (DEC. 20) XINHUA - EGYPT AND CHINA SIGNED TODAY A PROTOCOL ON COOPERATION IN TOURISM FOR 1991-92.

THE PROTOCOL WAS SIGNED BY FOUAD SULTAN, MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION OF EGYPT AND LIU YI, CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL TOURISM ADMINISTRATION OF CHINA.

FOLLOWING THE SIGNING CEREMONY, SULTAN TOLD XINHUA THAT THE PROTOCOL WAS THE FIRST STEP TO IMPROVE LIAISON IN TOURISM BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

"THROUGH COOPERATION, INCLUDING EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE AND PERSONNEL TRAINING, WE CAN ALSO STRENGTHEN TRADE AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN EGYPT AND CHINA," THE EGYPTIAN MINISTER ADDED.

THE PROTOCOL OBLIGES CHINA AND EGYPT TO SHARE INFORMATION AND EXPERIENCE AND EXCHANGE MATERIALS AND STUDY GROUPS. IT ENVISAGES USE OF EACH OTHER'S SCHOOLS OF TOURISM AND TOURIST FACILITIES FOR MUTUAL HELP IN PERSONNEL TRAINING.

EACH COUNTRY WILL ENCOURAGE TOURISTS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES TO EXTEND THEIR TRAVELS TO THE OTHER AND JOINT PROMOTION CAMPAIGNS WILL BE LAUNCHED TO ATTRACT TOURISTS FOR BOTH.

LIU YI, HEADING A DELEGATION OF HIS ADMINISTRATION, ARRIVED HERE FRIDAY FOR A WEEK-LONG OFFICIAL VISIT AT THE INVITATION OF THE EGYPTIAN TOURISM MINISTER.

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#90354h0066 12/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 20) XINHUA - THE 500-YEAR-OLD BINI BRONZE HEAD, WHICH WAS STOLEN IN 1986 FROM THE MUSEUM IN THE CENTRAL NIGERIAN CITY OF JOS, HAS BEEN BROUGHT HOME.

MR. DAVID AKINPELU, HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DOCUMENTATION AND NATIONAL INVENTORY OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR MUSEUMS AND MONUMENTS, REVEALED THAT THE BRONZE HEAD RETURNED ON THE EVENING OF TUESDAY ABOARD A SWISS AIRLINE.

THE "GUARDIAN" NEWSPAPER OF NIGERIA TODAY QUOTED MR. AKINPELU AS SAYING THAT THE OBJECT WOULD BE FORMALLY HANDED OVER TO THE NIGERIAN EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTRY BY THE SWISS AMBASSADOR.

HE SAID NIGERIA IS MAKING FURTHER EFFORTS TO TRACE THE WHERE-ABOUTS OF OTHER EIGHT OBJECTS STOLEN ALONG WITH THE BINI BRONZE HEAD.

THE BRONZE HEAD, VALUED AT ONE MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN THE EUROPEAN ART MARKET WAS TO BE AUCTIONED ON DECEMBER 8. BUT NIGERIA'S DIPLOMATIC MOVE STOPPED THE AUCTION THROUGH AN INJUNCTION THAT WAS GIVEN BY A ZURICH COURT.

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#90354h0076 12/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CANBERRA (DEC. 20) XINHUA - AUSTRALIAN DEFENSE MINISTER ROBERT RAY TODAY ANNOUNCED HERE THAT THE FEDERAL CABINET HAS APPROVED THE CONSTRUCTION OF A "JINDALEE" OVER-THE-HORIZON RADAR NETWORK (OTHR) IN NORTH AUSTRALIA.

RAY SAID IN A STATEMENT THAT THE NETWORK, WHICH WILL COST 970 MILLION AUSTRALIAN DOLLARS (748 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS), WOULD ENHANCE AUSTRALIA'S DEFENSE SELF-RELIANCE BY DETECTING SEA AND AIR TARGETS IN THE APPROACHES TO NORTH AUSTRALIA. "THIS IS IMPORTANT, GIVEN OUR EXTENSIVE COASTLINE AND LIMITED INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE NORTH," HE NOTED.

IN ADDITION TO ITS PRIME DEFENSE ROLE, THE SYSTEM WILL PROVIDE A DETERRENT TO ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION AND DRUG SMUGGLING, AS WELL AS PROVIDING VALUABLE WEATHER INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE IN AIRCRAFT SAFETY AND SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS.

THE "JINDALEE" OTHR CONCEPT, DEVELOPED BY THE DEFENSE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ORGANIZATION AUSTRALIA, INCORPORATES STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGY. UNLIKE TRADITIONAL GROUND-BASED RADARS, "JINDALEE" CAN SCAN OVER THE HORIZON BY BOUNCING SIGNALS OFF THE IONOSPHERE TO ILLUMINATE DISTANT TARGETS. ECHOES FROM THE TARGETS TRAVEL BACK TO THE RECEIVERS.

THE MINISTER SAID THE INITIAL NETWORK WOULD CONSIST OF TWO RADARS, ONE NEAR LAVERTON IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA AND THE OTHER NEAR LONGREACH IN QUEENSLAND, EACH WITH A SEPARATE TRANSMITTER AND RECEIVER SITES. A NETWORK-COORDINATION CENTER WOULD ALSO BE BUILT AT ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIRFORCE EDINBURGH IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

A CONTRACT IS EXPECTED TO BE SIGNED EARLY NEXT YEAR, AND THE SYSTEM WILL BE OPERATIONAL BY THE MID-1990S. PHASED OVER FIVE YEARS, DEVELOPMENT OF THE OTHR NETWORK WILL INVOLVE NOT ONLY THE ERECTION OF SOPHISTICATED RADAR EQUIPMENT BUT ALSO CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES TO HOUSE THE EQUIPMENT AND OPERATIONS CENTERS AT EACH LOCATION AND AT ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE EDINBURGH.

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#90354h0096 12/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHENZHEN (DEC. 20) XINHUA - EARLY THIS MORNING LONG QUEUES FORMED TO BUY THE AIRPORT BONDS ISSUED BY SHENZHEN AIRPORT COMPANY BEGINNING TODAY.

FINANCIAL EXPERTS HERE BELIEVE THAT THE 100 MILLION YUAN-WORTH OF BONDS ISSUED BY THE COMPANY WILL BE SOLD OUT IN ONE OR TWO DAYS INSTEAD OF A MONTH -- THE PREDICTED SELLING TIME.

BOND BUYERS SAID THAT THE AIRPORT BONDS ARE A GOOD INVESTMENT BECAUSE THE TRANSACTIONS ARE FLEXIBLE AND THEY ARE REDEEMABLE WITHIN THREE YEARS .

MANAGER OF THE SHENZHEN AIRPORT COMPANY CHEN GANWAN TOLD XINHUA THAT THE BONDS ARE EXPECTED TO PROVIDE ABOUT 10 PERCENT OF THE FUNDS NEEDED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SHENZHEN AIRPORT, A KEY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT WHICH WILL HELP GREATLY TO IMPROVE THE INVESTMENT ENVIRONMENT IN THE SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE.

IN THE NEXT 10 YEARS SHENZHEN NEEDS ABOUT 50 BILLION YUAN IN DEVELOPMENT FUNDS. MAYOR ZHENG LIANGYU SAID RECENTLY THAT TO RAISE THIS MONEY, BESIDE ABSORBING FOREIGN INVESTMENT AND SEEKING BANK LOANS, SHENZHEN WILL PAY GREATER ATTENTION TO ISSUING STOCKS AND BONDS.

SHENZHEN HAS ALREADY BECOME ONE OF THE MOST ACTIVE CITIES IN CHINA IN TERMS OF STOCK TRANSACTIONS. IN THE PAST MONTH AS MUCH AS 600 MILLION YUAN HAS BEEN TRADED ON THE LOCAL STOCK MARKET.

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#90354h0099 12/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 20) XINHUA - THE HONG KONG LAW RESEARCH SOCIETY WAS ESTABLISHED HERE TODAY UNDER THE CHINA LAW SOCIETY.

SHAO TIANREN, A LEADING JURIST WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE DRAFTING OF THE BASIC LAW FOR THE FUTURE HONG KONG SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION, IS HEAD OF THE SOCIETY.

THE GROUP, AN ACADEMIC RESEARCH ORGANIZATION, AIMS TO PROMOTE EXPERTS AND SCHOLARS TO STUDY THE LAWS FOR HONG KONG AND PROMOTE LEGAL STUDIES EXCHANGES BETWEEN CHINA'S MAINLAND AND HONG KONG.

JI PENGFEI, DIRECTOR OF THE HONG KONG AND MACAO AFFAIRS OFFICE UNDER THE STATE COUNCIL, IS HONORARY PRESIDENT OF THE GROUP.

ADDRESSING A MEETING TODAY AT THE GREAT HALL OF THE PEOPLE TO CELEBRATE THE GROUP'S ESTABLISHMENT, JI SAID THAT HONG KONG, AS A SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA AFTER 1997, WILL IMPLEMENT A DIFFERENT LEGAL SYSTEM FROM THAT OF THE MAINLAND. SO, HE ADDED, JURISTS WILL FACE MANY NEW SITUATIONS.

HE SAID THE STUDY OF HONG KONG'S LEGAL SYSTEM SHOULD BE GUIDED BY THE PRINCIPLE OF "ONE COUNTRY, TWO SYSTEMS" AND BE CONDUCTED IN LIGHT OF THE HONG KONG BASIC LAW.

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#90354h0110 12/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

HONG KONG (DEC. 20) XINHUA - INDONESIA HAS LOWERED THE PRICE OF ITS BENCHMARK OIL, MINAS, FOR THIS MONTH'S DELIVERIES BY 13.58 PERCENT TO 29.01 U.S. DOLLARS A BARREL FROM 33.57 U.S. DOLLARS LAST MONTH DUE TO PRICE DECLINES ON THE WORLD MARKET.

ACCORDING TO THE JAKARTA POST TODAY, INDONESIAN MINISTER OF MINES AND ENERGY GINANDJAR KARTASASMITA MADE THE DISCLOSURE TO REPORTERS IN JAKARTA WEDNESDAY AFTER MEETING WITH PRESIDENT SOEHARTO.

HOWEVER, HE SAID, THE AVERAGE OF INDONESIA'S CRUDE OIL PRICES DURING THE MARCH-DECEMBER PERIOD REACHED 22.48 U.S. DOLLARS A BARREL, 5.98 U.S. DOLLARS HIGHER THAN THE 16.50 U.S. DOLLAR AVERAGE PRICE PROJECTED BY THE GOVERNMENT FOR THIS FISCAL YEAR.

INDONESIA'S FISCAL YEAR STARTS IN APRIL, BUT REVENUES GAINED FROM OIL SALES IN MARCH ARE CALCULATED AS THE GOVERNMENT'S INCOME FOR APRIL.

BASED ON THE ACTUAL AVERAGE PRICE OF 22.48 U.S. DOLLARS, THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT'S REVENUES FROM THE OIL AND GAS SECTOR DURING THE FIRST 10 MONTHS OF 1990-91 WERE ESTIMATED TO EXCEED THE ORIGINAL TARGET OF 10,783.2 BILLION RUPIAH (ABOUT 5.73 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FOR THE WHOLE FISCAL YEAR BY NINE PERCENT.

THE MINISTER ADDED THAT THE EXPORT PRICE OF INDONESIA'S ARJUNA CRUDE OIL FOR DECEMBER DELIVERIES WAS SET AT 29.07 U.S. DOLLARS A BARREL (AS COMPARED TO 33.64 DOLLARS LAST MONTH), ARUN AT 28.78 DOLLARS (33.42 DOLLARS), HANDIL AT 28.86 DOLLARS (33.43 DOLLARS), CINTA AT 28.61 DOLLARS (33.15 DOLLARS), DURI AT 26.54 DOLLARS (31.29 DOLLARS), ATTAKA AT 29.70 DOLLARS (34.23 DOLLARS) AND LALANG AT 29.18 DOLLARS (33.73 DOLLARS).

THE JAKARTA POST REPORT SAID INDONESIA WAS INCREASING ITS CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION TO ALMOST 1.44 MILLION BARRELS PER DAY THIS MONTH FROM 1.33 MILLION BPD LAST MONTH, AND THE PRODUCTION WILL BE FURTHER INCREASED TO 1.5 MILLION BPD IN THE COMING MONTHS.

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#90354h0120 12/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ANKARA (DEC. 20) XINHUA - CHINA AND TURKEY SIGNED HERE TODAY AN AGREEMENT ON JUDICIAL COOPERATION.

UNDER THE AGREEMENT, THE TWO STATES WILL EXCHANGE INFORMATION, INCLUDING JUDICIAL DOCUMENTS AND EVIDENCE, AND PROMOTE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED BY TANG CHENGYUAN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S DEPARTMENT OF TREATY AND LAW, AND ZEKI CELIKKOL, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE TURKISH FOREIGN MINISTRY'S DEPARTMENT OF CONSULAR, LEGAL AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS.

CHINESE SOURCES SAID BOTH SIDES WILL HOLD THE SECOND ROUND OF TALKS ON JUDICIAL COOPERATION IN BEIJING EARLY NEXT YEAR.

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#90354h0124 12/20/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 20) XINHUA - THE PHILIPPINES HAS GOT A COMMODITY LOAN OF 28.2 BILLION JAPANESE YEN (ABOUT 214 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FROM JAPAN FOR ITS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION WORK AFTER THE JULY 16 KILLER EARTHQUAKE, LOCAL PRESS REPORTS SAID HERE TODAY.

THE COMMODITY LOAN WILL BE USED TO FINANCE THE IMPORTATION OF EQUIPMENT NECESSARY FOR THE RELIEF AND REHABILITATION EFFORTS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

THE LOAN CAME AT A TIME WHEN THE PHILIPPINE ECONOMY IS REELING FROM A STRING OF DISASTERS, COUP ATTEMPTS AND ECONOMIC DISLOCATION ARISING FROM THE GULF CRISIS, OFFICIALS HERE SAID.

THE INTEREST RATE OF THE LOAN IS 2.7 PERCENT A YEAR WITH THE REPAYMENT PERIOD BEING 30 YEARS.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE JULY 16 EARTHQUAKE, JAPAN DISPATCHED A MEDICAL TEAM, A SEARCH-AND-RESCUE TEAM COMPOSED OF EXPERTS FROM JAPAN'S POLICE AND FIRE AGENCIES, AND A MISSION COMPOSED OF ENGINEERS TO ASSESS THE DEVASTATION ON INFRASTRUCTURE.

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#90354k0004 12/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 20) KYODO - JAPAN'S OVERALL WHOLESALE PRICES FOR DECEMBER 1-10 ROSE 0.2 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS 10-DAY PERIOD, THE BANK OF JAPAN (BOJ) ANNOUNCED THURSDAY.

THE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX STOOD AT 91.5 AGAINST THE 1985 BASE OF 100, BOJ OFFICIALS SAID.

DOMESTIC WHOLESALE PRICES IN THE 10-DAY PERIOD REMAINED UNCHANGED FROM NOVEMBER 21-30, WITH RISES IN THE PRICES OF PLASTICS AND CHEMICALS OFFSET BY A DROP IN THOSE OF ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES, THEY SAID.

IMPORT PRICES ROSE A MERE 0.7 PERCENT IN YEN TERMS, REFLECTING WEAKER INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PRICES, WHILE EXPORT PRICES CLIMBED 1.1 PERCENT, BOJ OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90354k0023 12/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (DEC. 19) KYODO - NIPPON ELECTRIC GLASS CO. SAID THURSDAY IT HAS CONCLUDED A MANUFACTURING AND MARKETING AGREEMENT WITH MANVILLE CORP., A U.S. MAKER OF GLASS FIBERS.

OFFICIALS SAID THE SEVEN-YEAR LICENSE AGREEMENT WILL ALLOW MANVILLE TO MANUFACTURE AND SELL THE JAPANESE FIRM'S FIBER MAKER'S ''ROVING'' FIBER REINFORCED PLASTICS IN NORTH AMERICA AND EUROPE.

''ROVING'' FIBER REINFORCED PLASTICS ARE USED TO STRENGTHEN THE OUTER PANELS OF AUTOMOBILES AND AS A HARDENING MATERIAL IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE DENVER, COLORADO, FIRM PLANS TO BEGIN PRODUCTION NEXT APRIL, WITH MANUFACTURING CAPACITY REACHING 4,000-5,000 TONS A YEAR, OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90354k0024 12/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 20) KYODO - MITSUI ENGINEERING AND SHIPBUILDING CO. SAID THURSDAY IT WILL PROVIDE POLAND'S BIGGEST STATE-RUN CHEMICAL MACHINERY MAKER WITH FREE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

MITSUI WILL FURNISH METALCHM CHEMICAL APPARATUS WORKS WITH TECHNICAL EXPERTISE IN SUCH AREAS AS PRODUCTION CONTROL SYSTEMS AS THE FIRM MOVES TOWARD PRIVATIZATION, OFFICIALS SAID.

WITH AN EYE TOWARD MARKETS IN EUROPE, THE MIDDLE EAST, AND AFRICA, MITSUI, ONE OF JAPAN'S LEADING SHIPBUILDERS, SEES THE POLISH FIRM AS A POTENTIAL OVERSEAS PRODUCTION BASE, THEY SAID.

MITSUI SAID IT WILL SEND TWO PRODUCTION CONTROL SPECIALISTS TO PROVIDE METALCHM WITH TECHNICAL KNOW-HOW ON MANUFACTURING PROCESSES, AND QUALITY AND PRICE CONTROL.

MITSUI HOPES TO BRING THE FIRM'S TECHNICAL STANDARDS UP TO THE WORLD LEVEL, OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90354k0029 12/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 20) KYODO - JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU WILL VISIT THE

PHILIPPINES ON JANUARY 16-18 FOR TALKS WITH PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO AND SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, FOREIGN SECRETARY RAUL MANGLAPUS SAID THURSDAY.

MANGLAPUS TOLD REPORTERS THE TALKS WOULD FOCUS ON JAPANESE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO THE PHILIPPINES.

''I HOPE WE CAN LOOK FORWARD TO MR. KAIFU REASSURING US OF CONTINUED JAPANESE SUPPORT TO PHILIPPINE ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AND WE IN TURN WILL REASSURE THE JAPANESE (GOVERNMENT) OF OUR SUPPORT OF THEIR OWN DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM AND THEIR NONMILITARY PRESENCE IN SOUTHEAST ASIA,'' HE SAID.

MANGLAPUS SAID HE MAY BRIEF KAIFU ON DEVELOPMENTS IN PHILIPPINE-U.S. NEGOTIATIONS ON THE FUTURE OF AMERICAN MILITARY FACILITIES HERE SINCE HIS VISIT WILL COME BETWEEN THE LAST TWO ROUNDS OF BASES TALKS, WHICH ARE EXPECTED TO RESUME IN EARLY JANUARY.

ON WEDNESDAY JAPAN AND THE PHILIPPINES SIGNED DIPLOMATIC NOTES FOR A COMMODITY LOAN AMOUNTING TO 28.2 BILLION YEN FOR AN EARTHQUAKE DISASTER RELIEF AND REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR SEVERAL NORTHERN PHILIPPINE PROVINCES DEVASTATED BY THE JULY 16 EARTHQUAKE THAT LEFT 1,600 DEAD.

JAPAN IS ONE OF THE TOP FOREIGN INVESTORS IN THE PHILIPPINES AND THE BIGGEST SOURCE OF OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT AID FOR THE AQUINO GOVERNMENT.

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#90354k0030 12/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 20) KYODO - AJINOMOTO CO. SAID THURSDAY IT WILL SET UP A JOINT VENTURE FIRM WITH ITS SUBSIDIARY IN THAILAND BY THE YEAR-END TO PRODUCE AND MARKET FROZEN FOODS.

AJINOMOTO FROZEN FOODS (THAILAND) CO. WILL BE CAPITALIZED AT 440 MILLION YEN, OR 80 MILLION BAHT, AND OWNED 33 PERCENT BY ITS PARENT COMPANY. AJINOMOTO CO. (THAILAND) LTD., BASED IN BANGKOK, WILL HOLD THE OTHER 67 PERCENT, OFFICIALS SAID.

THE NEW BANGKOK COMPANY PLANS TO PRODUCE AND MARKET FROZEN SHAO-MAI, OR CHINESE DUMPLINGS, AND EGG ROLLS IN THE THAI MARKET, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

IT WILL ALSO BEGIN EXPORTING FROZEN FOOD PRODUCTS IN DECEMBER 1991, THEY ADDED.

THE COMPANY PLANS TO PRODUCE ABOUT 1,500 TONS OF FROZEN FOOD A YEAR. SALES ARE FORECAST TO REACH 800 MILLION YEN FOR THE INITIAL YEAR.

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#90354k0074 12/20/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

BANGKOK (DEC. 20) KYODO - THAILAND COULD HAVE TWO MILLION PEOPLE INFECTED

WITH THE VIRUS THAT CAUSES AIDS BY THE YEAR 2000, A POPULATION PLANNING GROUP SAID THURSDAY.

THAT FIGURE IS BASED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE COUNTRY CAN SLOW DOWN THE ACCELERATION OF THE AIDS EPIDEMIC BY 1994, THE POPULATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (PDA) SAID.

HOWEVER, IF THE EPIDEMIC'S ANNUAL RATE OF INCREASE CAN BE SLOWED BY 1992, JUST HALF AS MANY PEOPLE -- THOUGH THIS STILL COMES TO ONE MILLION -- WILL BE INFECTED WITH HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV) BY 2000, THE REPORT SAID.

PEOPLE WHO TEST POSITIVE FOR HIV HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO THE VIRUS BUT HAVE NOT NECESSARILY DEVELOPED SYMPTOMS OF ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME, ALTHOUGH MANY OF THEM WILL WITHIN FIVE TO 10 YEARS.

THE PDA IS A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION KNOWN FOR ITS SUCCESS IN BIRTH CONTROL AND CAMPAIGNS AGAINST AIDS.

THE GROUP'S CALCULATIONS, WHICH IT CALLED PRELIMINARY, WERE BASED ON THE CONSERVATIVE ESTIMATE THAT 150,000 THAIS ARE NOW INFECTED WITH HIV AND THAT RAPID TRANSMISSION OF HIV IN THAILAND BEGAN IN 1987.

THE LIKELIHOOD OF SLOWING THE EPIDEMIC'S GROWTH, THE REPORT SUGGESTED, DEPENDS UPON WHETHER THAIS STOP ENGAGING IN HIGH RISK BEHAVIOR -- AND HOW QUICKLY.

AIDS IS SPREAD THROUGH THE EXCHANGE OF BODILY FLUIDS, MOST COMMONLY THROUGH UNPROTECTED SEXUAL INTERCOURSE AND INTRAVENOUS DRUG ABUSE.

PDA STRONGLY URGED THE NATION TO DEAL WITH ITS MASSIVE COMMERCIAL SEX INDUSTRY AND CHANGE MALE SEXUAL BEHAVIOR.

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FUKUI (DEC. 20) KYODO - THE SOVIET UNION'S SAKHALIN SHIPPING CO. WILL RESUME ITS TWICE-MONTHLY FREIGHTER SERVICE BETWEEN THE KHABAROVSK STATE PORT OF VANINO AND THE JAPAN SEA PORT OF TSURUGA IN FUKUI PREFECTURE EARLY NEXT MONTH, THE TSURUGA MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED THURSDAY.

THE 3,179-TON CARGO SHIP AYAN IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE AT TSURUGA PORT ON JANUARY 7.

ONLY ONE SHIP WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THE SERVICE TO CARRY MAINLY LOGS AND LUMBER FROM SIBERIA TO JAPAN, AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS, CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY, CLOTHING AND OTHER SUNDRIES FROM JAPAN TO SIBERIA, THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT SAID.

THE CARGO LINER SERVICE BETWEEN VANINO AND TSURUGA WAS INAUGURATED IN 1977 AND WAS OPERATED TWICE A MONTH.

IT WAS SUSPENDED ABOUT THREE YEARS AGO, HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF A DECREASE IN LUMBER DEMAND, WHICH STEMMED FROM A RECESSION AT THE TIME IN JAPAN'S CONSTRUCTION BUSINESS.

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BEIJING (DEC. 20) KYODO - THE EMIR OF KUWAIT, SHEIKH JABER AL-AHMAD AL-SABAH, WILL MAKE AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO CHINA NEXT WEEK AT THE INVITATION OF PRESIDENT YANG SHANGKUN, THE CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTRY ANNOUNCED THURSDAY.

CHINA APPARENTLY INTENDS TO INCREASE ITS DIPLOMATIC INFLUENCE OVER THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS BY INVITING THE KUWAITI EMIR, WHO HAS BEEN IN EXILE IN SAUDI ARABIA FOLLOWING THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT ON AUGUST 2.

CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER QIAN QICHEN MET AL-SABAH AND KUWAITI CROWN PRINCE AND PRIME MINISTER SHEIKH SAAD WHEN HE VISITED SAUDI ARABIA IN EARLY NOVEMBER.

CHINA ABSTAINED FROM VOTING ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF FORCE AGAINST IRAQ TO WITHDRAW TROOPS FROM KUWAIT AT THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL IN LATE NOVEMBER.

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TOKYO (DEC. 20) KYODO - IBM JAPAN LTD. SAID THURSDAY IT WILL SET UP AN OPEN ARCHITECTURE DEVELOPERS GROUP TO PROMOTE THE CONCEPT OF OPEN ARCHITECTURE FOR ITS PERSONAL COMPUTERS AMONG JAPANESE COMPUTER MAKERS, IN A BID TO CHALLENGE NEC CORP. FOR THE TITLE AS JAPAN'S TOP COMPUTER MAKER.

IBM OFFICIALS SAID DETAILS ON ITS PS-55 DISK OPERATING SYSTEM J4.0/V, DEVELOPED BY U.S.-BASED MICROSOFT CORP., VIDEO GRAPHIC CONTROL LOGIC MODULE, AND TECHNICAL REFERENCE GUIDE WILL BE PROVIDED TO GROUP MEMBERS FOR AN ENTRANCE FEE AND YEARLY-MEMBERSHIP CHARGE.

THE GROUP WOULD BE ESTABLISHED EARLY NEXT YEAR. OFFICIALS ALSO SAID THAT IBM WOULD PROVIDE MEMBERS WITH FULL TECHNICAL SUPPORT ON ALL ASPECTS OF PS-55 ARCHITECTURE SUCH AS PRODUCT INFORMATION AND THE GRAPHICS CONTROL CIRCUIT BOARD.

THE PS-55 SERIES COMPUTERS ARE BASED ON INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CO.'S PC-AT COMPUTERS, WHICH ARE MARKETED IN THE UNITED STATES.

AN OPEN ARCHITECTURE AND COMMON OPERATING SYSTEM WOULD ENABLE USERS TO HOOK UP DIFFERENT COMPUTERS MADE BY COMPANIES IN COMPETITION WITH IBM AND RUN THE SAME SOFTWARE APPLICATION PROGRAMS WITH COMPLETE COMPATIBILITY.

ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY ANALYSTS, IBM'S MOVE APPEARS TO BE AN ATTEMPT TO STRIKE A DIRECT BLOW AT NEC'S STRONGHOLD ON THE JAPANESE PERSONAL COMPUTER MARKET. IBM'S SHARE OF THE PC MARKET IS ONLY SEVERAL PERCENT WHEN COMPARED WITH NEC, WHICH HOLDS A MORE THAN 50 PERCENT SHARE IN THE MARKET.

BUT IBM MAY HAVE JUST FOUND THE RIGHT STUFF TO BREAK NEC'S GRIP ON THE MARKETPLACE.

HITACHI LTD. SAID IT WOULD JOIN THE OPEN ARCHITECTURE DEVELOPERS GROUP. SOME OF OTHER JAPANESE COMPUTER MAKERS ALSO SAID THAT THEY WERE STUDYING THEIR PARTICIPATION.

FURTHERMORE, IBM'S DRIVE TO CREATE AN OPEN ARCHITECTURE AMONG PERSONAL COMPUTER MAKERS ENHANCES ITS PROSPECTS TO ESTABLISH ITS GRAPHICS INTERFACE SYSTEM AS A FUTURE DE FACTO STANDARD WHEN THE NEXT GENERATION OF MULTIMEDIA APPLICATIONS HIT THE MARKET, ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY ANALYSTS.

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TOKYO (DEC. 20) KYODO - YAMANOUCHI PHARMACEUTICAL CO. SAID THURSDAY IT HAS AGREED TO BUY THE PHARMACEUTICAL DIVISION OF DUTCH FOODSTUFF AND CHEMICAL MAKER ROYAL GIST-BROCADES.

THOUGH THE COMPANY DID NOT DISCLOSE THE PRICE, ANALYSTS SAID YAMANOUCHI WILL PAY AROUND 30 BILLION YEN.

THE ACQUISITION IS THE SECOND BIG BUYOUT OF A FOREIGN ENTERPRISE FOR YAMANOUCHI, WHICH LAST YEAR BOUGHT SHAKLEE CORP., A U.S. HEALTH FOOD MAKER, AND ITS JAPANESE SUBSIDIARY FOR A TOTAL OF ABOUT 100 BILLION YEN.

THE LATEST ACQUISITION WILL HELP CEMENT YAMANOUCHI'S OPERATIONAL BASE IN EUROPE, WHERE IT ESTABLISHED A PLANT IN IRELAND IN 1988 AND OPENED A RESEARCH CENTER IN BRITAIN IN SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR.

THE DRUG DIVISION OF THE 68 MILLION GUILDER DUTCH COMPANY MANUFACTURES AND MARKETS ANTIBIOTICS AND MEDICINES FOR DISEASES OF THE AGED. IT HAS AN EXTENSIVE SALES NETWORK IN THE NETHERLANDS, FRANCE, GERMANY, AND FIVE OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, THROUGH WHICH YAMANOUCHI IS ALREADY DISTRIBUTING ITS PRODUCTS.

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MANILA (DEC. 20) KYODO - JAPAN MORE THAN DOUBLED ITS INVESTMENTS TO THE PHILIPPINES THIS YEAR, EMERGING AS THE COUNTRY'S TOP FOREIGN INVESTOR FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW, BOARD OF INVESTMENTS (BOI) RECORDS SHOWED THURSDAY.

BOI FIGURES SHOWED JAPANESE EQUITY INVESTMENTS FROM JANUARY TO MID-DECEMBER THIS YEAR REACHED 7.34 BILLION PESOS, OR OVER 120 PERCENT HIGHER THAN LAST YEAR'S LEVEL OF 3.5 BILLION PESOS.

HONG KONG INVESTORS RANKED SECOND AMONG TOP INVESTORS, WITH EQUITY CONTRIBUTIONS OF 5.06 BILLION PESOS WHILE THE TAIWANESE CAME IN THIRD WITH INFUSED EQUITY OF 3.55 BILLION PESOS.

THE UNITED STATES RANKED FOURTH WITH 1.4 BILLION PESOS IN INVESTMENTS, FOLLOWED BY CANADA WITH CONTRIBUTED EQUITY OF 1 BILLION PESOS.

THE BIGGEST JAPANESE PROJECTS REGISTERED WITH THE BOI DURING THE PERIOD INCLUDE THE 3.2 BILLION PESO AUTOMOTIVE TRANSMISSION MANUFACTURING PROJECT OF TOYOTA T/M CORP., A FULLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF TOYOTA MOTOR CORP. OF JAPAN, AND THE 1.64 BILLION PESO MICROCHIPS RESISTORS PRODUCTION VENTURE OF ROHM ELECTRONICS PHILIPPINES, INC.

ALSO AMONG MAJOR JAPANESE INVESTMENTS WERE THE 650.8 MILLION PESO MISCELLANEOUS CHEMICAL PRODUCTS MANUFACTURING BUSINESS OF ASAHI-REPUBLIC CHEMICAL CORP. AND THE 240.3 MILLION PESO GASOLINE-FIRED ENGINE MANUFACTURING PROJECT OF HONDA ENGINE MANUFACTURING PHILIPPINES, INC., A FULLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF HONDA MOTOR CO. OF JAPAN.

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TOKYO (DEC. 20) KYODO - THE BANK OF JAPAN (BOJ) IS EXPECTED TO KEEP A TIGHT GRIP ON LENDING BY JAPAN'S COMMERCIAL BANKS IN THE FIRST QUARTER IN 1991, IN AN ATTEMPT TO SQUEEZE INFLATIONARY PRESSURE OUT OF THE ECONOMY, FINANCIAL SOURCES SAID THURSDAY.

THE SOURCES SAID THE CENTRAL BANK WILL DIRECT THE NATION'S 12 SO-CALLED ''CITY'' BANKS TO REDUCE THEIR LENDING GROWTH BY ABOUT 33 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER, THE SAME LEVEL OF RESTRAINT AS IN THE FOURTH QUARTER THIS YEAR.

THE TIGHT MONETARY STANCE REFLECTS THE BOJ'S DETERMINATION TO TOTALLY KILL ''THE BUBBLE'' EFFECT OF SOARING ASSET INFLATION NURTURED IN A PERIOD OF EASY-MONEY AMID LOW INTEREST RATES OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS.

THE SOURCES SAID THE BOJ POLICY WILL BE WELCOMED BY THE MAJOR BANKS WHICH WANT TO CUT LENDING TO ACHIEVE THE CAPITAL-ADEQUENCY TARGET SET BY THE BANK FOR INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENTS (BIS).

FACED WITH HIGHER INTEREST RATES AND THE FALTERING STOCK MARKET HERE, THE BANKS' CAPITAL BASE HAS BEEN RAPIDLY SHRINKING.

UNDER BIS RULES, JAPANESE BANKS NEED TO RAISE THEIR CAPITAL-TO-ASSET RATIO TO 8 PERCENT BY MARCH 1993.

SINCE THE THIRD QUARTER THIS YEAR, THE BOJ HAS TOLD BANKS TO CUT THEIR LOAN GROWTH IN A DETERMINED BATTLE AGAINST MOUNTING INFLATION FUELED BY THE HEATING ECONOMY AND SOARING CRUDE OIL PRICES AMID THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS. IN THE OCTOBER-DECEMBER QUARTER, THE CENTRAL BANK ORDERED THEM TO SHAVE LENDING INCREASES BY 33.4 PERCENT, THE TIGHTEST IN 16 YEARS.

THOUGH SUCH A POLICY HAS SUCCESSFULLY CURBED THE PROPERTY PRICE SPIRAL SOMEWHAT, THE BOJ APPARENTLY CONSIDERS CURRENT PRIVATE-SECTOR LIQUIDITY AS STILL AT A THREATENING LEVEL, THE SOURCES SAID

THEY ALSO SAID THE RESTRAINT IS ALSO BASED ON THE BANK'S PERCEPTION THAT A FEW MONTHS MORE OF TIGHT CREDIT WILL LITTLE AFFECT CAPITAL SPENDING AND OTHER BUSINESS ACTIVITIES.

THE BOJ IS EXPECTED TO APPLY THE SAME GUIDANCE TO LONG-TERM CREDIT BANKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, THEY SAID.

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TOKYO (DEC. 20) KYODO - PRICES OF AUSTRALIAN AND CANADIAN COKING COAL WILL DECLINE 1 DOLLAR, OR ABOUT 2 PERCENT, PER TON IN FISCAL 1991, STARTING NEXT APRIL, THE FIRST PRICE CUT IN FOUR YEARS, INDUSTRY SOURCES SAID THURSDAY.

THE PRICE REDUCTION WAS AGREED UPON IN NEGOTIATIONS HERE BETWEEN AUSTRALIAN AND CANADIAN MINING FIRMS AND NIPPON STEEL CORP., NKK CORP., AND OTHER JAPANESE STEELMAKERS.

CITING THE EASING SUPPLY-AND-DEMAND BALANCE ON THE STEEL MARKET, THE JAPANESE SIDE DEMANDED LOWER PRICES.

THE AUSTRALIAN COAL SUPPLIER, BHP-UTAH, ACCEPTED THE REQUEST FOR A 1 DOLLAR-PER-TON PRICE CUT, AND THE CANADIAN SUPPLIER FORDING COAL LTD. FOLLOWED SUIT, THE SOURCES SAID.

OTHER FOREIGN COAL SUPPLIERS ARE EXPECTED TO AGREE ON A SIMILAR CUT IN UPCOMING NEGOTIATIONS, THE SOURCES SAID.

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TOKYO (DEC. 20) KYODO - PRIME MINISTER TOSHIKI KAIFU PLANS TO CARRY OUT A CABINET RESHUFFLE EARLY NEXT YEAR BEFORE HE VISITS SOUTH KOREA ON JANUARY 9-10 POLITICAL SOURCES SAID THURSDAY.

KAIFU HAS DECIDED TO CHANGE THE CABINET LINE-UP FOLLOWING A SERIES OF INFORMAL MEETINGS WITH ICHIRO OZAWA, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC

PARTY (LDP), FORMER PRIME MINISTER NOBORU TAKESHITA AND FORMER DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER SHIN KANEMARU, THE SOURCES SAID.

KAIFU PLANS TO HAVE KEY CABINET MINISTERS AND THREE TOP EXECUTIVES OF THE LDP REMAIN IN OFFICE, BUT TO KEEP OUT DIET MEMBERS TAINTED BY THE 1976 LOCKHEED PAYOFF SCANDAL AND THE INFLUENCE-BUYING RECRUIT SCANDAL FROM HIS NEW CABINET, EXPECTED TO BE ANNOUNCED SOMETIME BETWEEN JANUARY 4 AND 7, THE SOURCES SAID.

THE PRIME MINISTER DECIDED IT WAS SENSIBLE NOT TO RESIST THE GROWING CALLS FOR AN EARLY CABINET RESHUFFLE SINCE LDP FACTIONS ARE NO LONGER SUPPORTIVE OF HAVING SCANDAL-TAINTED FIGURES IN THE CABINET FOLLOWING QUESTIONING OF TOSHIYUKI INAMURA, AN LDP HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE MEMBER, BY PROSECUTORS ON WEDNESDAY IN CONNECTION WITH SUSPECTED TAX EVASION, THE SOURCES SAID.

THREE MAIN LDP FACTIONS, ALONG WITH KANEMARU, HAVE CALLED FOR A CABINET RESHUFFLE WITHIN THIS YEAR, WHILE KAIFU AND TAKESHITA WERE RELUCTANT TO HAVE AN EARLY RESHUFFLE.

KANEMARU SAID KAIFU ORIGINALLY WANTED A CABINET RESHUFFLE IN MAY AFTER THE CURRENT REGULAR DIET SESSION ENDS.

KAIFU, WHO LACKS HIS OWN POWER BASE WITHIN THE LDP, TOOK OFFICE IN AUGUST 1989 FOLLOWING A SERIES OF SCANDALS IN THE PARTY, AND WAS SELECTED AS PRIME MINISTER MAINLY BECAUSE OF HIS ''CLEAN'' IMAGE.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 20) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

The Nikkei loses 352 points. ... Political uncertainty in the USSR sends European and British shares lower - the FTSE is off 24 points in early afternoon trading.

The dollar is up sharply against the mark. ... Bonds continue to slump in overnight trading, with the long yield back up to 8.20%. ... Brent crude is 19 cents cheaper at $26.21. ... Fixed-mortgage rates have hit their lowest levels since April 1987, but home sales remain depressed.

ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS plans to spend up to $4.1 billion for BOEING's new 777 jetliner and $1.7 billion for an AIRBUS INDUSTRIE plane. ... PEPSICO plans to enter the hamburger and drive-through restaurant business as its Taco Bell subsidiary agrees to acquire Hot 'n Now, a Michigan-based fast-food chain.

DIGITAL EQUIPMENT agrees to invest $230 million in a new company it will form

with Germany's MANNESMANN AG. The move will give Digital a larger presence in Europe. ... SHEARSON LEHMAN told employees it was creating a two-tiered deferred compensation plan to reward the brokers who increase their production while keeping customer complaints low.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT is scheduled to release personal income for November at 10 a.m. EST. Analysts are predicting a 0.2% increase. Personal consumption is also expected to be up 0.2%

AT&T is negotiating with about 20 computer firms to sell off as much as 40% of its Unix operating system group. ... Northeast economic woes have made regulators fearful that several large banks in the region might fail and about a dozen smaller commercial and savings banks may be approaching insolvency.

FROM THE BULLS:

Resistance in the 2640-2650 area is even stronger than last month, says ANDREW ADDISON of the "Addison Report." But if the Dow can hold above 2550, Addison says he is sticking to his objective of 2700 by the end of January.

"Evidence continues to increase that 2350 will not be broken," says Addison, who looks for a 2450-2750 trading range through the first quarter. Positive action in his indicators "suggest the market is in transition from a bear to a bull." (CNBC "World Business", 12/20)

"I think the market will work higher before the year is over," says ALAN ACKERMAN, now at REICH & CO. After Tuesday's gains, yesterday was "more than a breather." Ackerman says he looks for interest rates to continue edging lower, "but I don't think you will see anything immediate."

Bank stocks could benefit from falling interest rates. "I think people looked at banks over the past several weeks. You've got to buy the ones with better balance sheets ... but I think banks can be bought now," says Ackerman. (FNN "Business Tonight", 12/20)

FROM THE BEARS:

It's "remarkable so many able technicians are becoming bullish as we near top patterns," says MICHAEL JENKINS of "Stock Cycles Forecast." "The next leg down could very well begin momentarily," says Jenkins.

When it comes, Jenkins sees at least another 600 points down, with a minimum target of 2100 on the Dow. He advises getting very defensive on any break of 80 points, and says big volume days are a sign that "big boys are getting ready to unload." (CNBC "World Business", 12/20)

"Has anything changed to make you more aggressive?" asks GERALD PERRITT, a Chicago newsletter writer and money manager. Mr. Perritt continues to be worried about the depth of the recession and about stock prices which, he says are well above the bargain basement. He is sitting tight with about 70% of his portfolios in cash. (WSJ, 12/20)

STOCK MARKET:

The "Bullish Consensus" reports that its weekly survey of futures traders showed that only 40% - the lowest this year - were bullish on stocks, according to its vice president of research RICHARD ISHIDA.

Since the market has rallied from its low in October, Mr. Ishida says the number "means that if you own blue-chip stocks, you're getting an early Christmas present and should get out at current prices." Mr. Ishida notes that the "Bullish Consensus" only works as a contrary indicator when the market is either near a high or low point. (NYT, 12/20)

"I thought it was very important for the market to renew its upside momentum. But it didn't," says KEN SPENCE of SALOMON BROTHERS. "The fact that the Dow was unable to break out of the top of its trading range at 2460 concerns me," according to Spence. He says the market may be losing its momentum. ("Investor's Daily", 12/20)

"The market can't make up its mind," says TIM HELLMAN at DREYFUS CORP. The discount rate cut "was good news ... but does this mean all the good news is behind us? I, myself, am looking for a sell-off." ("The Washington Post", 12/20)

"The discount rate was well discounted" by the stock market, says ROBERT RITTER, technical analyst at LADENBURG THALMANN, explaining Wednesday's sideward move. Mr. Ritter says this week's "triple witching hour" and year-end "window-dressing" will probably dominate trading activity for the rest of the week. (WSJ, 12/20)

"The market might have done a little better today [Wednesday] if not for the war fears," says HUGH JOHNSON, strategist at FIRST ALBANY CORP. "The outlook for the economy is not quite as dour as it was two days ago." ("USA Today", 12/20)

JOHN PHELAN, chairman of the NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, expects the slump in the nation's financial markets to continue another six to 18 months. He calls the industry's three-year slump part of a business cycle and predicts the markets will be roaring again by the mid-1990s.

"We've got problems to get over," says Phelan referring to such excesses as the nation's debt binge in the '80s. "It's going to take us a while to digest that." ("USA Today", 12/20)

"I don't think it means anything for the overall market anymore when one stock gets hammered," says OPPENHEIMER & CO. portfolio manager ROBERT DOLL commenting on the possibility of earning laggards pulling down the market. "It just says more than ever, this is a stock picker's market." ("USA Today", 12/20)

"Some [earnings] expectations and forecasts are still too high," says MONTE GORDON, strategist at DREYFUS CORP. "And that contributes to the sense that the market is still in fragile shape." ("USA Today", 12/20)

Don't take capital gains until 1991 when gains will be taxed at a uniform 28% ... tax bracket, advises RICHARD ELLIOTT, investment strategist at BESSEMER TRUST. Investors should take capital losses to offset any earlier year gains and use the proceeds to buy stocks which are likely to do well into 1991, says Elliott. He doesn't expect tax factors to affect the market between now and year's end. (CNN "Business Morning", 12/20)

"Over time, cash is the worst possible investment," says JAMES SOLLOWAY, director of research at ARGUS RESEARCH CORP. Over the past several decades, cash equivalents have performed worse than longer-term bonds, and both cash and bonds have lagged far behind the 10% average annual return on stocks. (WSJ 12/20)

STOCK TIPS:

While most construction stocks are getting plastered, CLAYTON HOMES has, with the exception of one down quarter four years ago, a streak of ten years of profits. "It's rather remarkable that Clayton has turned in this kind of record," says GEORGE SHIPP of SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW. "If this were any other industry, this stock would have a much higher multiple." ("Investor's Daily", 12/20)

"I've always wanted to get interested" in CBS stock, but "the prospects just seem so lackluster," says WILLIAM BAKER, who manages five mutual funds for OPPENHEIMER MANAGEMENT CORP. "As far as I can tell, [the tender offer] is just accommodating the estate" of Mr. Paley. (WSJ, 12/20)

FREDERIC E. RUSSELL, president of the investment management firm that bears his name, says that investors are missing opportunities by focusing on the domestic economy and the crisis in the Middle East.

He notes than many companies are growing much more quickly outside the U.S. than they are at home. "This growth isn't discounted by the U.S equity market " says Russell. Among his picks of firms benefitting from overseas growth are MINNESOTA MINING & MANUFACTURING, INTERNATIONAL FLAVORS & FRAGRANCES, BANDAQ and J.M. SMUCKER. (WSJ, 12/20)

MECA SOFTWARE fell three to 5 1/2 yesterday, after it was announced that shipment of their latest product would be delayed, and the product would not be available for the holiday selling season. "We think it's just a short-term [problem]," says ELLIOT PRINCE of NEEDHAM & CO. He calls the 35% decline an "overreaction." ("Investor's Daily", 12/20)

"Telephones are very stable in a poor economy," says FREDERICK MORAN, who heads his own research and advisory firm in Greenwich, Conn. He says that cellular phone companies are among the most recession-proof. "It's a business tool rather than a luxury item," according to Moran. ("Investor's Daily", 12/20)

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MONEY & CREDIT:

The timing of the discount may have been aggressive, says MARC COHEN, vice president at FUJI BANK in New York. "But when you look at the [U.S.] economy ... then you think, maybe drastic times call for drastic measures," so that softening of U.S. rates doesn't have to trigger a broad dollar sell-off. (WSJ, 12/20)

"Concerns about the Persian Gulf are discouraging dollar-bears from selling," says MARC CHANDLER of IDEA. The dollar also drew strength from the fact that "the yen was very weak," according to Chandler. ("Investor's Daily", 12/20)

"The banks are being Scrooge at Christmastime," says AUBREY G. LANSTON & CO. chief economist DAVID JONES. "They're holding consumer rates high at the same time the Fed is giving banks a Christmas present in terms of lower costs of money." (CNN "Moneyline", 12/19)

"Under normal circumstances we would have had a prime rate cut already," says JAMES ROSENBERG of SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "It is overdue." He says the prime rate will be slow in falling because "banks need profits," and by keeping the prime high, they can increase their profit margin. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/19)

"There isn't any easy policy solution," says RAY STONE of STONE & McCARTHY. He says the Fed will need to ease again and "keep their fingers crossed" that banks will ease their own lending policies. "If banks don't lend, the Fed is impotent." ("Investor's Daily", 12/20)

"In terms of the consumer sector, I think the banks will be very hesitant to lower rates," says JAMES FRALICK of MORGAN STANLEY. "These loans are very

profitable." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/19)

"If [the lag time between the Fed's easing and the banks' lowering of rates] is longer, the Fed will have to act more aggressively," says DARWIN BECK of FIRST BOSTON. "It's a matter of degree and time." ("Investor's Daily", 12/20)

"The next time that we can expect the Fed to do something in particular would be sometime around January 4," says BRIAN FABBRI of MIDLAND MONTAGU. Whatever the Fed does, Fabbri's "guess is [the banks] will not lower the prime rate this month." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/19)

DAVID HORNER at MERRILL LYNCH says, "The Fed will either lower rates [further] or jawbone the banks so that they give at least some of that, or pass at least some of that reduction along to the consumer and to borrowers." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/19)

"I'm not terribly worried about [yesterday's] bond market action," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "I think the Fed is going to ease some more and I think the financial markets, particularly the bond market, will respond to that.

"We can't panic at this point about the Fed deciding not to ease [more]. I think it's unrealistic to think that way. ... I think bond prices will rally some more and rates will go down some more." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/19)

"I think you have three to six months of further declines in interest rates, so bonds look attractive," says RICHARD ELLIOTT, investment strategist at BESSEMER TRUST.

But Elliott is not shifting much of his clients' funds into bonds: "One has got to get positioned to begin buying equities for the economic pickup we see coming late in 1991." When buying bonds, pay careful to quality including the credit worthiness of municipalities, warns Elliott. (CNN "Business Morning", 12/20)

"Speculators [in the bond market] saw a reward for their correct anticipation that the Fed would ease, and they chose to take their profits rather than carry them over into the new year," say BRIAN FABBRI, chief economist for MIDLAND MONTAGU in New York. (WSJ, 12/10)

People "really ought to be moving their money to intermediate-term Treasurys," says HUGH R. LAMLE, executive vice president of M.D. SASS INVESTORS SERVICES, INC. Yields on the Treasury notes with four-to-seven year maturities are around 7.5% to 7.9% which is under the yield on the long-term Treasury bonds, but there's a lot less price volatility, says Mr. Lamle. (WSJ, 12/20)

THE ECONOMY:

"The markets seem to want to consolidate here," says MARSHALL ACUFF at SMITH BARNEY. "Our feeling is that this quarter actually will be the worst quarter of this recessionary period and by the second quarter of next year we should start to see some stability.

"I think by the time we get into the spring [interest] rates will be low enough to begin to stimulate some - and I underscore some - recovery in the housing and auto sectors. But it won't be the degree of recovery that we've seen coming out of past recessions. ... If we can get this Iraqi situation out of the way we might start to see some recovery sooner." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up" 12/19)

"It is clear from fourth-quarter statistics so far that growth has turned negative," says ROBERT McGEE, economist at TOKAI BANK LTD. He termed yesterday's downward revision of third-quarter GNP as "ancient history." (NYT, 12/20)

"In the short run, [the easing will do] very little" for the economy, says BRIAN FABBRI of MIDLAND MONTAGU. "The economy has to be viewed as very risky right now." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/19)

"The world doesn't turn on a dime once it starts moving," says ROBERT DEDERICK chief economist for NORTHERN TRUST. He warns that the public should be patient in waiting for the economy to turn around. ("Investor's Daily", 12/20)

"With exports not roaring and the consumer pulling back, that takes out the twin engines of growth that were keeping things moving," say JEAN SUNDRLA of EVANS ECONOMICS INC. (NYT, 12/20)

While many have criticized the Fed for waiting too long to ease, "that's always the fear in a recession," says DONALD STRASZHEIM, chief economist at MERRILL LYNCH. "The economy will respond. But we don't know when." ("Investor's Daily", 12/20)

The most recent economic figures suggest that "the economy has been sliding from a very moderate level at the end of the third quarter, into a slump in the fourth quarter," says DAVID BLITZER, chief economist at STANDARD & POOR'S. He says the strengths in areas like consumer spending "have probably been erased," while the areas of weakness "probably have been maintained." ("Nightly Business Report", 12/19)

"I draw comfort from the fact that the Fed has clearly turned aggressive fighting the downside of recession," says MORGAN STANLEY economist STEVE ROACH. While many economists are worried about the high levels of debt across the U.S., Roach says there are more pressing matters. "What concerns me is the fragility of the lenders and not the fragility of the borrowers." ("Investor's Daily", 12/20)

Housing starts rose 9.3% in November. "It's simply an anomaly," says THOMAS HOLLOWAY, senior economist with the MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION. "I am confident that that number won't stand." The October rate, he says, had been abnormally low. He adds, "The bottom is in sight, and we see improvement in the spring of the year." (WSJ and NYT, 12/20)

BARBARA ALLEN at KIDDER PEABODY says the housing market may take some time to turn around. "We probably won't get a truly positive comparison on housing starts until probably next spring although the deterioration in the comparison should stop and we should start sort of moving up in a more positive vein after January or February." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/19)

"The declines in single-family starts and permits suggest we haven't hit bottom yet, and there may be further deterioration in the coming months," says JOHN TUCCILLO, an economist with the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS. (NYT, 12/20)

IN WASHINGTON:

"We estimated that the three-year cost of bank failures [would be] somewhere in the neighborhood of $25-35 billion," says ROBERT LITAN of THE BROOKING INSTITUTION. Such a cost would almost certainly require some added income for the FDIC. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/19)

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BOULDER, CO (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Satellite Information Systems Co. (SISCOM) (NASDAQ: SATI) today announced a contract to provide CBS affiliate KWTV-9 in Oklahoma City with a NewsPro(TM) newsroom automation system. Value of the contract was not disclosed.

KWTV is the number one ranked news station in Oklahoma City and the most watched news program in the state. The station is owned by Oklahoma-based Griffin Enterprises Inc., a diversified company whose holdings include several television properties.

"The selection of NewsPro by KWTV is particularly gratifying because of the highly competitive procurement environment in which it took place," said Bob Turner, SISCOM's director of marketing. "Their selection process was highly structured, analytical and exhaustive, and it validates that SISCOM's approach to the market is on target."

Rick Buchanan, marketing director of KWTV, said, "We met with all the other newsroom computer companies in the business and determined that SISCOM could provide us with the best product, best service and best commitment."

SISCOM will provide KWTV with twin Digital Equipment Corp. VAX processors,

disk drives, high speed script printers, closed captioning, prompting, multiwindow production terminals and 32 journalist terminals. Additional machine control elements are planned.

The addition of KWTV gives SISCOM its second CBS affiliate since March -- the other being KMGH-TV in Denver. SISCOM has customers affiliated with all three major networks as well as with cable-based television, radio broadcasters and independent broadcast organizations. SISCOM has 24 installations worldwide.

SISCOM's NewsPro automates the editorial and production control aspects of broadcast news operations and provides information management facilities for use by organizations in the print media, public affairs, press relations and image industries.

CONTACT: Jay Pfeiffer of Pfeiffer Public Relations Inc., 303-623-1169; or Robert Turner of SISCOM, 303-449-0442.

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#90354p4993 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

OREM, UTAH (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Wicat Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: WCAT), and Waterford Institute Inc., recently signed an agreement under which Wicat has repurchased from Waterford 400,000 shares of Wicat common stock and all outstanding shares of Wicat Preferred Stock, consisting of 14,180 shares of Series A 8 percent Cumulative Preferred Stock, par value $15, with a liquidation preference of $100 per share.

Payment for the shares was made by Wicat's cancellation of a note and trust deed from Waterford, with an outstanding loan balance of $1,300,000. The loan was made in 1986 to assist Waterford in the acquisition and construction of its Sandy (UT) Waterford School.

According to company officials, there is no outstanding preferred stock and the company plans to amend its charter to remove provisions for preferred stock.

Wicat Systems Inc. is a world leader in technology-based training and education solutions, providing products and services to help clients achieve 30 to 50 percent learning improvement in schools, industry, and government. Wicat's stock is traded in the NASDAQ market under the symbol WCAT.

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#90354p4995 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SUNNYVALE, CALIF. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Trimble Navigation Ltd. (NASDAQ: TRMB) today announced that it has received contracts for the delivery of

"Trimpack" hand-held GPS receivers totaling more than $12 million from GPS Joint Program office of the U.S. Government. This order is to be delivered during the first six months of 1991 and is a follow-up order to the $7 million contract which was awarded in August and is currently being completed.

In addition, the company has been awarded contracts totaling $3.9 million from the United Kingdom for other hand-held GPS units which are a variation of the "Trimpack." This order is also to be delivered during the first half of 1991.

"These orders illustrate that Trimble Navigation is the preferred military supplier of GPS receivers in the Persian Gulf due to the low cost, reliability and accuracy of our products," stated Charles Trimble, chairman and chief executive officer. "In anticipation of these additional military orders, we have taken the necessary steps to meet the increased production."

Trimble is the world leader in the emerging commercial market for satellite-based navigation and position data products using the U.S. Government funded Global Positioning System (GPS). Trimble designs, manufactures and markets electronic instruments and systems for determining precise geographic location. These products are sold in a variety of markets including survey and mapping, Geographic Information Systems (GIS), marine, aviation, vehicle tracking, military applications, and differential GPS systems. The company, founded in 1987 and located in Silicon Valley, Calif., has been selling GPS to world markets since 1984.

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#90354p5011 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NIAGARA FALLS, NY (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Sevenson Environmental Services Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SEVN) today announced that its board of directors has authorized the company to repurchase up to 200,000 shares of its common stock from time to time through open market or privately negotiated purchases.

A total of 6,600,000 shares of common stock is currently outstanding. The funds required for the stock purchases will be provided out of available cash balances. Kidder, Peabody & Company Inc. will act as exclusive agent for the repurchase program.

Michael A. Elia, president and chief executive officer, said, "The board believes the common stock at current price levels represents an attractive investment for the company.

Sevenson provides a comprehensive range of field services for the remediation of sites and facilities contaminated by hazardous materials. The company, which is headquartered in Niagara Falls, N.Y., operates in the United States

and Canada. Since entering the site remediation business in 1979, the company has performed over 275 projects including projects at the Love Canal and at other Superfund sites.

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#90354p5016 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - International Multifoods Corp. (NYSE: IMC) today reported a strong increase in net earnings for its third quarter and nine months ended Nov. 30, 1990.

For the quarter, net earnings rose 53 percent to $14.0 million, or $1.08 per common share. Excluding a $4.7 million pre-tax writeoff last year, this year's net earnings were up about 20 percent. Net sales rose 5 percent to $577.2 million.

For the nine months, net earnings increased 26 percent to $26.8 million, or $2.07 per share, on a net sales gain of 7 percent to $1.65 billion.

"Our results for the quarter and the nine months reflect the good fundamental progress we're making toward improving the returns of our core businesses," said Tony Luiso, chairman, president and chief executive officer. "The improvements in our operations have been broad- based. We've improved operating efficiencies, introduced value-added products to meet customer needs and increased production and distribution capacity. We continue to expect solid earnings improvements for the remainder of this fiscal year."

For the third quarter, earnings of U.S. Foodservice rose 28 percent to $13. 1 million with gains in foodservice manufacturing and specialty distribution businesses. Contributing to the increase were productivity gains, lower costs and further market penetration. U.S. Foodservice sales were up 7 percent to $396.1 million.

Canada Food Products reported an 11-percent increase in earnings to $8.7 million, led by volume and margin improvements in branded retail foods. A strike, settled the end of October at one of the company's flour mills, lowered Canada's overall sales for the quarter.

North American Agriculture achieved a 35-percent increase in earnings to $4.7 million on a 5-percent improvement in sales to $63.5 million. The business benefited from higher grain merchandising volume and improved market conditions for animal feeds in both the U.S. and Canada.

Venezuelan earnings were down 8 percent to $6.5 million compared with last year when the timing of government-granted price increases benefited margins.

This year's earnings were also adversely impacted by the currency translation rate. Sales increased 7 percent to $47.6 million, the result of volume and price increases.

Minneapolis-based International Multifoods, with fiscal 1990 net sales of $2.1 billion, is a diversified food company with major operations in the United States, Canada and Venezuela.

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#90354p5017 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PRINCETON, NJ (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of UJB Financial (NYSE: UJB) yesterday declared a quarterly dividend on its common stock of $.15 per common share, payable Feb. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record Jan. 8, 1991.

This is a reduction from the $.29 per share which had been paid for the previous five quarters, reflecting concern for the effects the weak real estate market and economic slowdown will have on the earnings performance of UJB Financial and the banking industry moving forward into 1991. Management expects to break even or report a modest loss for all of 1990.

UJB Financial's board also declared a quarterly dividend of $.93 per share on its Series B adjustable-rate cumulative preferred stock, based on a rate of 7.45 percent per annum, for the period of Nov. 1, 1990 to Jan. 31, 1991. This dividend is also payable Feb. 1, 1991 to shareholders of record Jan. 8, 1991.

UJB Financial is among the nation's leading regional bank holding companies with over $13 billion in assets and more than 270 offices in New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania.

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PRINCETON, NJ (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Cytogen Corp. (NASDAQ: CYTO), of Princeton, announced today it has filed an Investigational New Drug (IND) application with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) seeking authorization to initiate human clinical trials of ThromboScan(R) -- a blood clot imaging agent.

ThromboScan is the company's first molecular recognition unit (MRU) to reach the clinical phase of its development and is the first MRU that will be

evaluated in humans anywhere in the world.

MRUs are peptides which represent a new generation of targeted delivery agents. These proprietary agents are based on monoclonal antibodies, laboratory generated replicas of immune system molecules, and will be used to target diagnostic and therapeutic substances to sites of disease within the human body. Cytogen researchers have used "molecular surgery" to reduce the targeting vehicle to the minimal molecular structure needed for locating and binding to specific antigen targets, and have used this structure as a template for creating MRUs. Whole IgG antibodies are comprised of approximately 1,320 amino acids and have a molecular weight of 150,000 daltons. The company's first MRU is comprised of just 17 amino acids and has a molecular weight of 1,878 daltons, which is less than 2 percent of the weight of its parent monoclonal antibody.

The small size of the MRU may allow it to reach areas within the body previously inaccessible to monoclonal antibodies. MRUs will diffuse through body tissues more quickly and will be eliminated faster than their full-sized antibody counterparts. This means that diagnostic or therapeutic substances linked to the MRU may reach their targets more efficiently, allowing a more rapid effect. Cytogen predicted that the design and manufacture of MRUs will be simpler and less expensive than current antibody technologies.

The ThromboScan MRU has reliably detected blood clots in preclinical model systems within minutes after infusion. In addition to being able to quickly generate images, the process for patient administration will be very straightforward and user friendly.

Cytogen Executive Vice President Thomas J. McKearn, M.D., Ph.D., said, "Filing the ThromboScan IND not only marks the completion of our product development objectives for 1990, but represents a quantum leap forward in using molecular engineering to design targeted delivery systems. Our MRU program is a major focus of the research and development efforts at Cytogen and when combined with our current OncoScint(R) and OncoRad(R) programs already in the clinic, we feel that Cytogen is meeting its mandate of providing better diagnostic and therapeutic products for the physician and more hope for the patient."

Cytogen Corp. is a biopharmaceutical company which has developed proprietary systems for linking drugs and diagnostic agents to monoclonal antibodies in order to optimize the function of the antibody as a delivery vehicle. With major emphasis on human cancer, current product development efforts at Cytogen are focused on improved cancer diagnostic imaging agents and the targeted delivery of cancer therapeutic agents directly to tumor sites.

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#90354p5020 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Immune Response Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNR) today announced that it and Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. (NYSE: RPR) will each invest an additional $4 million in their AIDS joint venture, Immunization Products Limited.

Through this joint venture, The Immune Response Corp. and Rhone-Poulenc Rorer Inc. are currently sponsoring a nationwide Phase II/III clinical trial on 100 HIV-infected patients. This trial will measure the effect of The Immune Response Corp.'s HIV Immunotherapeutic on the level of HIV virus in the bloodstream of these patients. This trial is designed to generate efficacy data to support a Product License Application to the Food and Drug Administration.

The additional $4 million contribution from each partner will be made in two payments, $2.5 million in December 1990 and $1.5 million during 1991. With these capital contributions, the partners will have invested a total of $18 million in this joint venture.

The Immune Response Corp. is a biopharmaceutical company engaged in the development of proprietary products for the treatment of HIV infection, which leads to AIDS, and for the treatment of certain autoimmune diseases, specifically rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis and insulin-dependent diabetes.

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WATSONVILLE, CALIF. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Granite Construction Inc. (NASDAQ: GCCO) announced today that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of $0.05 per share on the company's common stock. The dividend is payable Jan. 18, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 28, 1990.

Granite Construction is a heavy civil contractor engaged in the construction of dams, highways, airports, tunnels and other infrastructure-related projects. The company's stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol GCCO.

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#90354p5022 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Asea Brown Boveri Inc. (ABB) announced today a unit had entered into an amendment to the sale and purchase agreement

with ECC Group PLC (ECC) for the Georgia Kaolin business.

The amendment was entered into following discussion with the Department of Justice as it had been concluded that a more limited acquisition of Georgia Kaolin would facilitate completion of the transaction.

Under the amendment ABB will sell the major part of the Georgia Kaolin business to ECC for approximately $340 million. ABB will retain one facility known as Dry Branch.

Dry Branch will be an independent fully integrated kaolin producer with a capacity of up to 800,000 tons per year and prime crude reserves lasting in excess of 30 years at current levels of production. Its 1991 revenues are estimated to be about $80 million. Profitability is expected to increase when the plant is operated as an independent unit.

ABB had previously announced in May that a unit had entered into a sale and purchase agreement with ECC Group PLC (ECC), under which ECC would purchase the Georgia Kaolin business for approximately $520 million. Revenues in 1989 were $170 million. The acquisition was subject to, among other things, approval by U.S. regulatory authorities.

Asea Brown Boveri provides products and services for the power, process, industrial automation, environmental control, transit and other markets. The company and its subsidiaries have sales of approximately $6 billion and some 30,000 employees in the United States. They are part of the ABB Group, Zurich the world's leading electrical engineering company with total annual sales of about $25 billion and 215,000 employees in 140 countries.

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#90354p5026 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Fiat Group and Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) have signed definitive agreements to form a new company which will merge Fiat's subsidiary FiatGeotech and Ford New Holland, Ford's tractor and farm and industrial equipment subsidiary.

The two firms had announced on July 31 that an agreement had been reached to form the new company, that Fiat would have an 80-percent majority interest, and that Ford would receive a cash payment and would hold 20 percent of the new company.

The transaction is subject to approvals by appropriate regulatory authorities in Europe and the United States.

The new company intends to preserve the individual market and product identities of both FiatGeotech and Ford New Holland.

Cesare Romiti, president and chief executive officer of Fiat, said, "This major transaction, as in the case of many others announced by our company this year, reaffirms Fiat's objective of strengthening our international position in our core businesses to better prepare ourselves for the increasingly harsh global competitive environment in the nineties."

Philip E. Benton Jr., Ford Motor Company president and chief operating officer said, "This agreement will ensure that there is continued development of best-in-class products of the highest quality available to consumers on a global basis. The new company will be able to draw on the expertise of two combined organizations to make this a reality."

Corporate headquarters of the new company will be in London. "The choice of a city outside Italy or the U.S.," said Giorgio Garuzzo, Fiat's chief operating officer, "is proof of the new company's intent to blend Ford New Holland and FiatGeotech's remarkable strengths on a truly global scale, using the best management talents available in the two companies."

The new company will establish an Advisory Committee under the chairmanship of Garuzzo. The committee, to include senior executives of GeoTech and Ford New Holland, will advise the new company on key issues affecting the new firm.

Garuzzo also reaffirmed the new company's commitment to maintaining separate product and market identities developed over almost a century by Ford, New Holland, FiatAgri, FiatAllis and other subsidiary brands.

CONTACT: Bert Serre of Ford Motor Company International Public Affairs, 313-322-4466, or after hours, 313-641-8805; or Gualberto Ranieri of Fiat USA Inc., 212-207-0947; or Roberto Zangrandi of Fiat Spa Headquarters, 39-11-6690088, or after hours, 39-11-8126557.

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#90354p5029 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - First Florida Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FFBK) announced today it anticipates that its financial results will reflect a loss of approximately $ 8 million for the year 1990.

The anticipated loss is a result of management's decision to strengthen the bank's reserve position by taking a fourth quarter provision for loan losses of approximately $70 million to reflect the continuing economic downturn and softness in the real estate market. It is estimated that the year-end total reserve for loan losses will be $120 million.

First Florida Chairman A. Bronson Thayer said, "We believe this step is

prudent and decisive in response to the operational and financial challenges this environment poses. We will continue to monitor the level of our reserves in order to remain well-capitalized, strengthen our balance sheet, and be prepared to respond to economic developments in our marketplace as we move forward into 1991."

First Florida Banks estimated that risk-based capital ratios at year-end 1990 will be approximately 8.20 percent for Tier I capital and 9.70 percent for total capital, as compared with the minimum Federal required ratios of 3.625 percent and 7.25 percent, respectively.

Thayer stated, "Our capital ratios remain strong and will continue to exceed all required levels. However, the continued uncertainty of the economy raises questions about the payment of dividends within the banking industry. Therefore, management is recommending that the board of directors of First Florida Bank suspend payment of the dividend in the first quarter of 1991. This decision will be reviewed in subsequent quarters."

First Florida Banks, Inc., a Tampa-based company with $5.9 billion in assets, operates 155 banking offices along Florida's West Coast from Pensacola to Naples/Marco Island and across the central Florida corridor to the Atlantic Coast. First Florida Banks' common stock is traded in the national over-the-counter market under NASDAQ symbol FFBK.

CONTACT: Robert G. Harris, senior executive vice president and chief financial officer of First Florida Banks, Inc., 813-224-1901.

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#90354p5031 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

OMAHA, NE (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - ValCom, Inc. (NASDAQ: VLCM) today announced an agreement to provide computer products and services to iLAN, Inc. of Columbus, Ohio -- a systems integrator with offices in Columbus and Cleveland, Raleigh, N.C. and Kansas City, Mo.

ValCom has signed a total of 35 systems integrators and VARs -- 18 of which are Banyan VARs -- as part of its Premier Partner Program, which is designed to strengthen ValCom's systems integration capabilities through strategic partnerships with integration consultants. iLAN designs and implements local- and wide-area networks within a variety of operating systems and topologies.

"The agreement will allow iLAN to access ValCom's broad range of high-performance systems and networking products," said Michael Steffan, vice president of corporate development for ValCom. "At the same time, systems engineers from both companies will gain expertise working together and using ValCom's Communications Research Center -- a multi- vendor lab for testing connectivity solutions.

According to Greg Boyd, iLAN president and chief technology officer, the agreement creates a strong alliance. "ValCom is one of the largest resellers in the country, but unlike many of its competitors it is debt- free, profitable and growing."

Boyd adds that ValCom will provide better availability of iLAN's mainstream products from Banyan, 3Com, Synoptics, Compaq, IBM, HP, NEC and AT&T. "Our customers said they need faster delivery of network products. We listened and pursued ValCom for its state-of-the-art on- line order processing and warehousing system."

ValCom's on-line system allows customers direct access to crucial information concerning a product's availability, price and shipping schedule. ValCom provides 24-hour turnaround on most orders from its centrally located warehouse in Omaha, Neb.

The agreement with iLAN typifies ValCom's ongoing focus on selling and supporting high-end products. In addition to marketing advanced machines like the COMPAQ SYSTEMPRO, ValCom recently expanded its line of connectivity products with agreements to sell Synoptics' LattisNet(R) product family and Network General's Sniffer(TM) line of network analysis products.

"We're glad to see ValCom expanding their reach into the growing systems integration market," said Ross A. Cooley, vice president, sales and service, Compaq Computer Corporation. "PC systems like the COMPAQ SYSTEMPRO are accelerating the growth of the networking and client- server markets, and the relationship between ValCom and iLAN is an excellent example of the dealer channel's ability to address end-user requirements."

According to ValCom's Steffan, "ValCom can deliver all of the pieces -- hardware, software and technical support -- essential for systems integration and advanced network management."

ValCom serves business customers through over 300 locations in 46 states. That network includes franchised and company-owned business computer centers, systems integrators and other specialized providers of computer systems and support services. Major computer lines include IBM, Compaq, NEC, and Epson, along with related products from Banyan, Oracle, Novell, 3Com, Hewlett-Packard Synoptics, Network General, and others.

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#90354p5034 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

VANCOUVER, B.C. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Coded Communications Corp.

(Vancouver:CCE) today announced it has received an order from Ball Corp. to begin work on a data telemetry radio system.

This order valued at $40,000 (Canadian $46,240) allows the company to begin work on an important new product that will provide Coded with access to a new market.

"This is an important order for our company and one that is expected to lead to a much larger order early in 1991" said Robert L. Hillman, president and chief executive officer.

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#90354p5035 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PASADENA, CA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (NYSE: JEC) announced today that its subsidiary -- Robert E. McKee Inc. -- was awarded a $20 million contract to provide construction services for the new C.E. Perkins Public Service building for the City of Glendale, Calif.

The announcement was made by Andrew E. Carlson, McKee president, who said the new four-story municipal building will take 23 months to construct, with completion scheduled for October 1992.

The building, named in honor of former Glendale City manager C.E. (Gene) Perkins, will become a part of the city's civic center complex. It will contain 100,300 square feet of space to be used by various government departments. As part of its contract, McKee will construct a bridge to connect the new building with an existing parking structure.

Groundbreaking ceremonies were held recently at the C.E. Perkins Building site at Glendale and Wilson Avenues. In attendance were Glendale Mayor Larry Zarian, the city's Director of Public Service Michael P. Hopkins, the building's namesake, C.E. Perkins, and other local dignitaries. Representing Robert E. McKee were J.D. Owens, senior vice president, operations; Phil Shipley, director of projects; Karl Kostellic construction manager; Jim Herzog, superintendent; Mike Lowrimore, project engineer and Bob Hutto, director of business development.

Robert E. McKee, a wholly owned subsidiary of Jacobs, provides construction and construction management services on projects from high tech facilities, hospitals and high-rise office buildings to industrial and manufacturing plants, water treatment plants and airports.

Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. provides single source consulting, engineering, design, architectural, environmental and hazardous waste management,

procurement, construction, construction management, contract maintenance and operations services to government and industry worldwide.

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OTTAWA, ONTARIO (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - SHL Systemhouse Inc. (NASDAQ: SHKIF; TSE, ME: SHK) of Ottawa today announced the financial results for its first quarter of its current fiscal year.

Revenues for the three months ended Nov. 30, 1990, were $177.1 million compared with $166.7 million for the same period last year (all figures expressed in Canadian dollars).

Net income before interest and taxes for the period just ended was $4.6 million compared with $5.6 million one year ago.

Net income for the quarter ended Nov. 30 was $2.5 million or 7 cents per share compared with $3.4 million or 10 cents per share last year.

The value of contracts signed by Systemhouse operations exceeded $100 million in the first quarter -- a record for the company. Approximately $90 million of this value is for delivery within 24 months, and is recorded in published backlog figures. Also in the quarter, the company reduced 24-month backlog by some $15 million to reflect expected later delivery under some U.S. federal government contracts.

Consolidated backlog for SHL Systemhouse increased in the quarter to $206 million from $180.3 million at the end of August.

Rod Bryden, chairman of SHL Systemhouse Inc., said, "All SHL Systemhouse Inc. operations -- Systemhouse, ComputerLand and ComputerGroup in the U.K. -- were profitable for the quarter. Margins and order rates improved during the course of the first quarter and we expect that all operations will continue to be profitable throughout the second quarter and the balance of the fiscal year."

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Keith Group of Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: HKME) today announced the purchase of The Greenstar Mobile Home Park in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. The purchase price was $725,000.

The Keith Group of Companies, Inc., develops and markets manufactured home communities and related properties in Florida to customers in the United States and Canada.

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BROOKFIELD, WS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - George R. Schonath, chairman and chief executive officer of Bando McGlocklin Capital Corporation (NASDAQ: BMCC), today announced that the board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend equal to 22 cents per share, payable on Jan. 31, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

Founded in 1980, Bando McGlocklin Capital Corporation provides long- term secured financing to growing businesses, and is a Federal Licensee under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958.

CONTACT: Cynthia Garland of Garland Public Relations, 617-522-7708, or 414-964-0126, for Bando McGlocklin.

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SLOUGH, Berks, UK (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Xenova Limited, the novel pharmaceuticals business based in Slough, has secured additional finance from major venture capital and institutional sources in Europe, U.S.A. and Japan, the company announced today.

Following approaches to selected prospective investors, more than 7 million pounds sterling has been raised, valuing the business (post- financing) at around 20 million pounds. The existing investors, led by Schroder Venture, London, and supported by INCO Venture Capital, New York, together subscribed a total of 2 million pounds.

The new investors are Standard Life and Norwich Union in the United Kingdom and Jafco of Japan, via its European office in London, which have together invested 5 million pounds.

The brokers to the issue were Oakes, Fitzwilliams & Co. of London. Xenova has made pharmaceutical advances in several fields including arthritis, thrombosis and auto-immune diseases. These have come from both internal and collaborative research programs. The company will now accelerate the development of these discoveries and will expand into additional premises close to its existing facilities.

"It is rewarding to be going into this next stage of corporate development with strong institutional backing and the sustained commitment of our earlier investors. Japan is a rapidly growing market for truly novel drugs and the investment by Jafco should help us to consolidate our developing relationships with selected Japanese partners," commented Louis Nisbet, chief executive.

Xenova is a pharmaceutical discovery company that isolates and identifies novel, biologically active small molecules derived from microorganisms and other natural systems using sophisticated and proprietary screening technologies. It was founded in 1986 by Louis Nisbet, a microbiologist of international repute.

The value of natural products screening is that it provides a unique starting point in the search for new drugs. Many diseases ranging from immune disorders, viral disease and cancer to crop infestation are highly amenable to this approach. The company has an extensive proprietary natural chemicals resource derived from its collection of over 18,000 microorganisms. Great emphasis is placed on the collection of unusual organisms with fungi currently representing approximately two-thirds of the culture collection.

Xenova was founded in 1986 with seed finance from Korda and Company and Celltech. In 1987 a group of capital investors led by Schroder Ventures invested 1.5 million pounds to finance the equipping of laboratories and the recruitment of the research team. Other investors at this stage included Guinness Mahon Venture Founders, Newmarket Venture Capital, the Lazard Medical Fund and the Dutch investor Atlas Ventures.

CONTACT: Louis Nisbet, chief executive of Xenova, 0753-692229; Charles Sherwood of Schroder Ventures, 071-6321000; or Graham Whitehead of Peter Prowse Associates, 0372-363386, all in the U.K.; or Lenore Freeman of Freeman Associates, in New York, 212-213-1699, for Xenova.

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#90354p5043 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Hunt Manufacturing Co. (NYSE: HUN) has declared an increase in the company's regular quarterly dividend from $.0775 per share to $.08 per share, payable Jan. 14, 1991, to shareholders of record Jan. 2.

This is the company's 24th consecutive year of increased dividends, which represents a 24-year compound dividend growth rate of 20 percent.

Hunt also announced that, as approved by the board of directors yesterday, management is authorized to purchase up to 225,000 shares of its common stock on the open market during its 1991 fiscal year. The primary purpose of purchasing these shares will be for funding employee stock plans and for other appropriate corporate purposes.

Hunt Manufacturing Co. is a leading manufacturer and distributor of office and art/craft products for the business, education and consumer markets.

CONTACT: Rudolph M. Peins Jr., senior vp-finance & administration of Hunt Manufacturing, 215-732-7700.

-30- 1186

#90354p5045 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Dean L. Hahn, president of Hawkins Chemical, Inc. (NASDAQ: HWKN) is pleased to report that the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, was the best in the 52-year history of Hawkins Chemical.

Sales increased 34 percent to $60,368,446. Net income increased 8 percent to $3,157,237. Earnings per share were $.40 compared to $.39 one year ago.

Hawkins Chemical is a Minneapolis-based sales distribution center for industrial chemicals, laboratory chemicals, a distributor of bulk chemicals, a jobber outfitter for water treatment equipment and water treatment chemicals.

HAWKINS CHEMICAL, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME
(Audited)

	Year Ended		Quarter Ended	
	9/30/90	9/30/89	9/30/90	9/30/89
Net sales	$60,368,446	$44,902,164	$14,359,861	$11,841,860
Costs and operating expenses	55,919,446	40,535,887	13,383,883	10,867,625
Income from operations	4,449,000	4,366,277	975,978	974,235
Other income	631,644	450,899	183,288	149,609
Income before income taxes	5,080,644	4,817,176	1,159,266	1,123,844
Provision for income taxes	1,923,407	1,884,630	354,807	391,730
Net income	$3,157,237	$2,932,546	$804,459	$732,114
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	7,902,351	7,538,718	7,902,351	7,538,080
Earnings per share (a)	$.40	$.39	$.10	$.10

(a) adjusted for 1990 stock dividend

CONTACT: Roger Ottem of Hawkins Chemical, 612-331-6910.

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#90354p5047 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MAYWOOD, NJ (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - AutoInfo, Inc. (NASDAQ: AUTO) today reported revenues and net income for the second quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990. Revenues for the second quarter increased by 16 percent to $2,376,000 from $2,046,000 for the comparable quarter of the prior fiscal year. The company reported net income for the second quarter of $580,000, or 8 cents per share, compared to net income of $399,000 or 6 cents per share, for the same quarter of the previous year.

Revenues for the six month period increased by 20 percent to $4,694,000 from $3,921,000 for the comparable period of the prior fiscal year. Net income for the six months was $1,132,000, or 16 cents per share, compared to net income of $721,000, or 11 cents per share, for the same period of the previous year.

AutoInfo provides communications and computer services to over 2,000 auto parts salvage dealers in 49 states and nine Canadian provinces. The company operates one of the largest satellite networks in North America and provides database services to major automobile insurance companies.

AUTOINFO, INC.
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three months		Six months	
Nov. 30,	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$2,376,376	$2,045,821	$4,693,650	$3,920,665
Net income bef. taxes	636,721	408,904	1,246,445	740,584
Prov. for inc. taxes	57,000	10,000	114,000	20,000
Net income	579,721	398,904	1,132,445	720,584
Net income per share	$.08	$.06	$.16	$.11
Wtd. avg. no. of shares outstanding	7,281,521	6,619,170	7,276,309	6,357,236

CONTACT: Scott Zecher of AutoInfo, 201-712-0020.

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#90354p5048 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

UNIVERSAL CITY, CA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert Blattner has been appointed a vice president of MCA Inc., it was announced today by Sid Sheinberg, president and chief operating officer, and Tom Wertheimer, executive vice president of MCA Inc. (NYSE: MCA).

Blattner, who has been president of MCA Home Video since February 1989, was previously president of RCA/Columbia Pictures Home Video from 1983 to 1989.

In making the announcement, Sheinberg said, "Rob's contributions to our Home Video group over the past two years have been invaluable in strengthening

MCA's worldwide activities in the home video markets." Wertheimer added, "We look forward to many more exciting developments in these markets based on Rob's proven wealth of talents and expertise, together with those of his strong management group."

CONTACT: Christine Hanson of MCA Inc., 818-777-3591.

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#90354p5049 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SCOTRUN, PA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Caesars Pocono Resorts, the luxury, non-gaming properties of Caesars World Inc., proudly announce their latest "masterpiece" accommodation, the Roman Towers.

Cove Haven, Paradise Stream, Pocono Palace and Brookdale-On-The- Lake, the Caesars resorts known for their unique and romantic accommodations, are currently taking reservations for the new suites, in planning since 1986, and scheduled for completion in January 1991.

The first four Roman Towers will be available on Jan. 18, 1991, with additional suites completed throughout the month, for a total of 16 new accommodations at Brookdale-On-The-Lake.

Caesars Pocono Resorts report spending approximately $3 million on the new accommodations, and as with the Champagne Towers before them, expect for the Roman Towers to exceed a 90 percent occupancy rate over the next five years.

Construction of additional Roman Towers suites is planned for the unspecified future at Cove Haven, Paradise Stream and Pocono Palace.

The Roman Towers, billed as Caesars Pocono Resorts' "latest triumph," is decorated in royal shades of lavender and white with brass accents. The accommodation abounds with lavish amenities.

Upon entering the suite, you will encounter a spacious, majestic living room surrounded by a series of 18-foot, floor-to-ceiling marble- ized Corinthian columns. Directly ahead is the now-famous seven-foot champagne glass whirlpool. The living room is complete with a remote- control television and a log-burning fireplace. You ascend a staircase to the glass-enclosed, heart-shaped, tiled pool, then descend another set of stairs into an open, furnished exercise room. Directly off of this room is a glass-enclosed dry sauna.

A circular staircase ascends to the fourth and top level where you'll find a breathtaking bedroom with a king-size bed and a second remote-control television, complete with a built-in video cassette recorder. The ambiance of this room is further enhanced by a "celestial ceiling," a black reflective ceiling, glistening with a galaxy, star- studded night sky effect. This room,

like an open balcony, overlooks the living room and pool area below. The bathroom area, which adjoins to the bedroom, features a bath and steam shower for two. It is from this area that you descend into the champagne glass whirlpool.

The Roman Towers are the newest accommodations to be built at Caesars Pocono Resorts since the world-renowned Champagne Towers were unveiled in 1984. When asked why the Roman Towers are being constructed, Douglas J. Wilkins, vice president of sales, said, "Our couples have come to expect from us new and innovative accommodations and have, on thousands of occasions, requested that we continue to add to our long list of exciting suites. We are simply giving our clientele that for which they are asking."

The rates for the Roman Towers are $610 per couple for a weekend. Included in this cost are breakfast and dinner daily, use of the many and varied facilities, and nightly entertainment in million-dollar nightclubs.

For further information and reservations, call 800-233-4141.

CONTACT: Linda L. DuBorgel of Caesars Pocono Resorts, 717-226-4506.

-30- 3441

#90354p5050 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONGMONT, CO (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Discovery Technologies (NASDAQ: DSCV) today announced that it has sold its FilmFax Teleradiology System to Kanakanak Hospital in Dillingham, Alaska. Kanakanak Hospital, part of the Bristol Bay Health Corp., is staffed by five full-time, board certified physicians. It provides health care services for 32 villages in southwestern Alaska, a service area of nearly 45,000 square miles accessible only by air and water.

Because of the remoteness of Kanakanak Hospital, it has been difficult for physicians to consult with large hospitals on complicated radiology cases, thus creating delays in treatment which are difficult for both patients and physicians. The FilmFax Teleradiology system enables physicians at Kanakanak to transmit laser-scanned, diagnostic quality images over standard telephone lines to radiologists at major Anchorage healthcare facilities. Telephone diagnoses can be made within ten minutes and written reports sent back within a half hour, in sharp contrast to the days or even weeks it took to send an X-ray through the mail to get a second opinion.

"We are finding that the FilmFax System is extremely adaptable to a wide range of specialized diagnostic needs," said Ralph Patitucci, president and chief executive officer of Discovery Technologies, "Healthcare industry experts predict that teleradiology will become a vital medical communications tool in the years to come and we feel that Discovery's products are at the forefront of that technology."

Based in Longmont, Discovery Technologies Inc. is a leader in providing innovative solutions in image management and communications to physicians, scientists, engineers and quality control experts throughout the world.

CONTACT: Jeffrey K. Backerman, 303-651-6500; or Bruce H. Wolk, 303-465-2000, both of Discovery Technologies.

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#90354p5053 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ELK GROVE VILLAGE, IL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - AAR Corp. (NYSE: AIR) today announced that for the company's second quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, net income was $126,000 or 1 cent per share, from $6,752,000, or 42 cents per share, for the comparable period in fiscal 1989. Net sales for the same period increased 10.8 percent to $115,807,000 from $104,566,000. The average number of shares outstanding were 15,941,000 from 16,053,000 year over year.

Net income for the period includes a nonrecurring charge of $3.3 million or 13 cents per share primarily related to an operating unit restructuring and an airline customer bankruptcy.

For the first half of the fiscal year, net income was $6,823,000 or 43 cents per share, from $13,322,000 or 83 cents per share, for the comparable period of fiscal 1989. Six-month net sales increased 8.8 percent to $231,899,000 from last year's $213,201,000.

The figures confirmed the expected results announced by the company in its preliminary earnings release of Dec. 12, 1990.

AAR Corp. is a leading supplier of aerospace/aviation products and services. The company primarily distributes parts and equipment, performs technical services, and manufactures proprietary products for the aviation industry in the United States and abroad.

AAR CORP.
(In thousands except per share data)

Three months ended Nov. 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$115,807	$104,566
Operating income	2,696	12,400
Pretax income	196	10,002
Net income	126	6,752
Earnings per share	$ .01	.42
Average shares outstanding	15,941	16,053

CONTACT: Office of the Chairman of AAR, 708-439-3939.

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#90354p5056 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI LAKES, FL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - A preliminary unaudited sales and earnings report and forecast was issued today by Oak Tree Construction Computers, Inc. (NASDAQ: AOAK) for its wholly owned subsidiary, First Security Funding, Inc. (FSF) in Fort Worth, Texas.

For the the two month period ending Nov. 30, 1990 First Security processed and/or funded medical insurance receivables totaling approximately $14,000,000 reflecting a pre-tax operating profit of approximately $95,789. However, based on signed contracts in hand, the company anticipates increasing their processing/funding volume over 200 percent, with anticipated revenues exceeding $1,000,000, for the three month period ending Feb. 28, 1991; and volumes increasing 250 percent for the last quarter ending May 31, 1991, reflecting proportionately higher revenues against which a tax loss carry forward will be applied.

"Our projected growth rate, based solely on signed agreements, does not accommodate any potential new business we may enjoy between now and our May year end," stated D.R. Smith, president of Oak Tree. "First Security is already staffed and prepared to service volumes in excess of the anticipated $200,000,000 in contract volume now in hand," he concluded.

The acquisition of FSF by Oak Tree, which was finalized on Dec. 4, called for a two step exchange of Oak shares totaling 11,960,000 for 100 percent of FSF. On a fully diluted basis, it is anticipated that net after tax earnings for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1991, when consolidated with Oak Tree, will reflect the first positive earnings per share in almost three years.

CONTACT: Irwin Bosh Stack of Oak Tree Construction Computers, Inc., 305-822-8889 in Miami or 800-798-1876 in Fort Worth.

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#90354p5058 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Sprague Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: SPG) today reported that the sale of its Semiconductor Group to Sanken Electric Co. Ltd., for $58 million cash had closed.

Edward F. Kosnik, president and chief executive officer, stated, "The Semiconductor sale completes the company's previously announced plans to divest certain nonstrategic or unprofitable businesses. Through the divestments Sprague has reconfigured its activities around its profitable passive component business where the company has market leadership positions."

"Significant investments have been made in tantalum and aluminum capacitor and thick film network technology, capacity and automated processes over the past several years to capitalize on the industry's transition to surface mount devices. Sprague is one of the few U.S. electronic component manufacturers

with manufacturing facilities in Europe, the Far East and the United States and is well situated to serve multinational OEMs on a worldwide basis," Kosnik continued.

The company intends to use a portion of the proceeds to repay its bank credit facility borrowings. In addition, about $30 to $40 million of cash and the company's debt capacity will be available for further investment in new products, chip capacity and process improvements for the core businesses, possible acquisitions, and other corporate purposes including open-market purchases of the company's common stock pursuant to a previously announced program.

The Semiconductor Group sale is expected to produce an accounting loss from discontinued operations of about $49 million which will be recognized in the fourth quarter. The tax loss from the sale will give Sprague a U.S. net operating loss carryforward (NOL) that is estimated to be about $145 million at year-end 1990.

"The cash proceeds from the sale further strengthen Sprague's financial position, and the company is well positioned for the future with a leading components business, cash and an attractive tax situation," Kosnik commented.

Sprague Technologies, Inc. is a worldwide manufacturer of capacitors and other electronic components.

CONTACT: R. Kevin Matz, assistant treasurer of Sprague Technologies, 203-964-8628.

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#90354p5059 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WOBURN, MA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - ThermedeTec Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Thermedics Inc. (AMEX: TMD), has introduced Nitrolite(tm), a new system designed to detect trace amounts of two types of N-nitroso compounds.

The Nitrolite system is used in conjunction with ThermedeTec's TEA Analyzer(R) a specialized instrument capable of detecting and measuring nitrosamines, a group of N-nitroso compounds that are known to cause cancer. These nitrogen-based compounds are found in food, tobacco, cosmetics, and certain pharmaceutical drugs. The Nitrolite, developed at Cornell University by Dr. Joseph Hotchkiss, consists of a patented photolytic interface that has been licensed exclusively to Thermedics.

The addition of the Nitrolite interface to the TEA Analyzer will provide scientists with a method to detect and measure two additional classes of N-nitroso compounds, N-nitrosamides and N-nitrosoamino acids, which were previously very difficult to detect by conventional methods. Researchers know very little about these compounds. With the introduction of the Nitrolite,

researchers will now be able to determine the prevalence of N-nitrosamides and N-nitrosoamino acids and assess the risk they pose to human health.

Several of the N-nitrosamides and N-nitrosoamino acids have been listed as carcinogens to be monitored by the state of California according to California's Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65). California's standards are believed to be the most comprehensive in the United States.

"After more than a year of product development, we are pleased to introduce such a valuable analytical tool to the scientific community," said Dr. David Fine, vice president of Thermedics. Dr. Fine added that several systems are scheduled for shipment before the end of the year.

Thermedics develops, manufactures, and markets biomaterials, biomedical products, analytical instruments, and explosives- and drug-detection devices, and provides analytical laboratory services. Thermedics is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation (NYSE: TMO).

CONTACT: John N. Hatsopoulos, vice president of Thermedics, Inc., 617-622-1111.

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#90354p5060 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - WestAir's Atlantic Coast Division, which operates as United Express, announced today that it will begin daily, non-stop service to Washington's Dulles International Airport from both Dayton and Cincinnati, Ohio. This new service is scheduled to begin Feb. 15.

In the Dayton-Dulles market, United Express will provide four daily non-stops, with three daily non-stops being offered in the Cincinnati-Dulles market.

"Our new service from both Dayton and Cincinnati further strengthens our presence in the Ohio Valley. Passengers in both new markets will quickly discover, as those in Columbus already have, the ease with which they now have access to the nation's capital, as well as numerous domestic and international connections at Washington's Dulles Airport on United Airlines," said Kerry Skeen, president of WestAir's Atlantic Coast Division.

United Express first began service from Washington-Dulles to Ohio last September, with the commencement of service to Columbus. With the addition of Dayton and Cincinnati, the airline will literally triple its presence in the Ohio Valley. Also, on Feb. 1, United Express will add an additional roundtrip in the Columbus-Dulles market, bringing to five the number of flights offered each day.

United Express will serve both Dayton and Cincinnati with its new pressurized Embraer Brasilia jet-props. The Brasilia is the fastest and one of the most

technologically advanced aircraft in regional airline service today, with a cruising speed of 350 mph. In addition to a complimentary snack and beverage service, an extensive cocktail selection is offered onboard the 30-passenger aircraft.

As a marketing partner with United Airlines, United Express offers its customers many United Airlines benefits, including worldwide reservations, advance seat selection and boarding passes. Members of United's popular Mileage Plus frequent flier program earn a minimum of 500 miles on all United Express flights, and senior citizens may participate in United's Silver Wings program which offers a variety of travel-related discounts.

WestAir's Atlantic Coast Division, which operates as United Express, began service from Washington-Dulles in December 1989 with 48 daily departures to six cities. Since that time, Atlantic Coast has more than tripled in size and inclusive of today's announcement, will serve 25 cities in eight states, with a total of 195 daily departures.

WestAir, a subsidiary of WestAir Holding, Inc. (AMEX: WAH) operates as United Express and consists of two divisions -- the Atlantic Coast Division, with hub operations at Washington-Dulles, and the Pacific Coast Division, with hubs at Los Angeles; San Francisco; Portland, Ore.; Seattle; Sacramento and Fresno, Calif. Headquartered in Fresno, WestAir Holding, Inc. is one of the largest regional airlines in the United States, operating over 800 daily flights to 64 cities in 14 states and the District of Columbia. In early 1989, the company was named "Regional Airline of the Year" by Air Transport World Magazine.

CONTACT: Paul E. Pike, Corporate Communications, United Express, 703-709-0105.

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#90354p5061 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO, TX (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Express Cash International Corporation (NASDAQ: XPRS) today announced that it has closed its initial public offering of common stock. The offering consisted of 600,000 shares at $6.00 per share to the public.

Express Cash stock trades under the symbol "XPRS" on the National Bid/Ask Market. Commonwealth Associates, of New York, was the underwriter of the offering.

Express Cash International Corporation operates pawnshops in San Antonio, Texas, under the name of "Express Pawn."

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-30- 816
#90354p5063 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
BURLINGTON, NC (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: EDIT) announced today that it has submitted its recently developed EZ-SCREEN: AMPHETAMINES test to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for pre-market clearance.

The Company also announced that the new test for the detection of amphetamines in human urine samples has been launched, on a limited basis, pending FDA pre-market clearance, for forensic use to law enforcement agencies in the United States.

James D. Skinner, EDI President and Chief Executive Officer, said "The availability of the EZ-SCREEN: AMPHETAMINES test represents another major milestone in our comprehensive product offering for substance abuse detection. This new test complements EZ-SCREEN tests for the urinary metabolites of marijuana, crack/cocaine, opiates (heroin) and barbiturates. The major business opportunity for EZ-SCREEN substance abuse tests is with law enforcement agencies. However, following clearance by the FDA, EDI will be marketing the EZ-SCREEN: AMPHETAMINES test to our full range of customers."

Environmental Diagnostics, Inc. develops and manufactures human clinical diagnostics, agricultural diagnostics and substance abuse diagnostic products specifically designed for on-site testing by non-technical personnel. The Company's EZ-SCREEN products provide accuracy comparable to laboratory results easily and rapidly in a matter of a few minutes.

CONTACT: Peter J. Heath, Controller, Environmental Diagnostics, Inc., 919-226-6311.

-30- 1714
#90354p5065 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Vallen Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: VALN) today announced that its board of directors has declared a three-for-two stock split in the form of a 50 percent stock dividend, distributable on or about Jan. 17, 1991 to stockholders of record on Jan. 3, 1991. This action will increase the number of shares outstanding from 4,456,791 to approximately 6,685,186. These additional shares are expected to encourage wider distribution and improve marketability of the stock.

Vallen Safety Supply Company, the distribution subsidiary, sells a wide variety of industrial safety and health products designed for the protection of the individual worker, his work place and the environment. Vallen Safety operates from 34 locations throughout the United States.

Encon Safety Products, Inc., the manufacturing subsidiary headquartered in Houston, is the leading producer of emergency showers and eye wash fountains

for industrial use. Also in Houston, Encon Custom Plastics molds and vacuum forms products on a contract basis for various customers. Encon also molds optical quality protective eyewear at a plant in Coudersport, Pa.

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-30- 1367

#90354p5066 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Ronald L. Heidke, a Kodak (NYSE: EK) vice-president, today was named director of corporate quality at Eastman Kodak Company, a position that reports directly to Kay R. Whitmore, the company's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Heidke replaces Ralph J. Rosati, Kodak's current director of corporate quality, who announced he will leave the company February 1, 1991 after more than 30 years of service. Rosati, recognized internationally as an authority in the quality area, will join a leading consulting firm as senior quality management consultant.

As director of corporate quality, Heidke will oversee Kodak's corporate quality group and will spearhead the company's drive to extend quality processes and procedures to all units in the organization.

Whitmore said Heidke, who has served since 1986 as general manager of the Rochester Sensitized Products Manufacturing Division, is "highly qualified for the top quality job at Kodak."

"Quality leadership will drive our initiatives as we compete in an intense world marketplace," Whitmore explained. "We will focus more sharply than ever before on customer satisfaction and continuous improvement. Few people in our organization have the breadth of business experience of Ron Heidke. His background in manufacturing, marketing and product development, particularly in the photographic area, and his overall knowledge of Kodak's structure and culture, will play a key role as we move forward to broaden quality efforts throughout the entire company."

Whitmore credited Rosati for establishing the foundation that will make such advances possible. Rosati, who joined Kodak in 1956, became the company's first director of corporate quality in 1986. He serves on the board of examiners for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award and is widely regarded as one of the top quality professionals worldwide.

As Rosati leaves and Heidke takes charge, Richard T. Bourns, Kodak senior vice-president and general manager of Worldwide Manufacturing, will assume additional responsibility as Rochester Sensitized Products Manufacturing Division general manager. Bourns, thus, will serve in a dual capacity.

Heidke joined Kodak as a senior research chemist in 1964. He has served in a number of managerial positions in Kodak's manufacturing organization. He has also served as director of Kodak's Quality Services Organization and as general manager of the Consumer Products Division. Heidke was elected a company vice-president in 1984 and was appointed to his current position in the sensitized manufacturing area in 1986.

A native of Barrington, Ill., Heidke holds a B.S. in chemistry from the University of Illinois, a Ph.D in physical-organic chemistry from the University of Rochester, and an M.S. in business management from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), where he completed the Sloan Fellowship program.

Heidke is a board member and vice-president of the National Association of Photographic Manufacturers, and a member of the board of the University of North Carolina's Center for Manufacturing Excellence.

CONTACT: John LaBella of the Eastman Kodak Company, 716-724-5130.

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#90354p5069 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WASHINGTON, PA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - McNeil Consumer Products Company, a subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson (NYSE: JNJ), came to the aid of a seven-year-old Soviet boy, Kirill Putenis, who suffers from a congenital bowel disorder and presented him with a gift that will help him enjoy an active childhood. The gift -- a year's supply of Imodium A-D, a non-prescription anti-diarrhea medication -- was prescribed for Kirill by U.S. surgeon Alberto Pena, M.D., as part of a treatment regimen that doctors believe will enable Kirill to attend school and lead a normal life.

"We are delighted to play a role in helping Kirill return home for the holidays with renewed freedom and confidence to live an active, healthy and more normal life," noted Carol Kahrs, group product director, McNeil Consumer Products Company.

Kirill, accompanied by his mother Natalia Markova, arrived in the U.S. this past fall to meet with Dr. Pena, chief of surgery at Schneiders Children's Hospital, Long Island Jewish Medical Center. Dr. Pena operated on Kirill, free of charge, to repair the damage of previous operations and prescribed a medical treatment program which includes Imodium A-D.

While readily available in retail outlets throughout the United States, Imodium A-D is not available in the Soviet Union.

According to Markova, as a result of the surgery and the treatment program Kirill is able to wear normal clothes and play with other children for the first time in his life, and, upon their return home, Kirill will finally be

able to attend school.

Imodium(R) A-D, marketed by McNeil Consumer Products Company, is the most effective anti-diarrheal medication available to consumers. Imodium A-D contains the active ingredient loperamide and is the first anti-diarrheal prescription medication approved as a non-prescription product. Imodium was introduced as a prescription product in capsule form in 1977, and later as a non-prescription medication in liquid form in 1988. The Imodium A-D caplet was approved as a non-prescription remedy in 1989.

CONTACT: Edwin Watson of McNeil Consumer Products Company, 215-233-7730, or Maria Sweeney of the Rowland Company, 212-527-8885, for McNeil Consumer Products Company.

-30- 2435

#90354p5072 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

YORK, PA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - KBA-Motter Corp. today announced the largest flexographic newspaper press order of the year. The order for 36 printing couples was given to KBA-Motter by The Providence Journal Co. of Providence, R.I.

The agreement signed Dec. 14, 1990 concludes intensive research and analysis by the Providence Journal of competitive flexo press technologies and their compatibility with the Journal's existing 18 web flexo press.

"The new flexo equipment consists of multiple color towers and is of great significance for several reasons," stated Evans Kostas, president of KBA-Motter Corp. "First, the order of more than $13 million reaffirms the commitment by The Providence Journal Co. to the flexo process and recognizes their confidence in KBA-Motter to supply the latest in flexo technologies through the combined resources of our newly restructured international company."

Additionally, Kostas continued, "The Providence sale combined with our Colormax (5 couple unit) flexo installations at Louisville, Ky., and Reading, Pa. establishes KBA-Motter Corp. unquestionably as the leading supplier of advanced and innovative flexo technologies to both the newspaper and commercial printing industries today."

The Providence order along with orders for commercial gravure units, folders and reels for Arcata Graphics, additional Colormax newspaper flexo units, a flexo decorator press for Procter & Gamble and 10 newspaper jaw folders destined for delivery to the European marketplace in mid 1991 add to the growing backlog of work in progress.

The expanding base of diversified press orders puts KBA-Motter Corp. in a position to offer an ever increasing variety of press technologies while

strengthening its position as a world class press supplier to the newspaper and commercial printing industries.

KBA-Motter Corp. with headquarters in York, Pa. is a member of the Koenig & Bauer-Albert Group and an operating unit of Publishers Equipment Corporation of Dallas.

For additional information contact James Leatham in York, Pa., 717-755-1071, or Gary Owen in Rockford, Ill., 815-874-8877.

CONTACT: James Leatham, 717-755-1071, or Gary Owen, 815-874-8877, both for KBA-Motter.

-30- 2426

#90354p5073 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Edisto Resources Corporation (AMEX: EDS) today announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend on its $2.60 senior cumulative convertible preferred stock (AMEX: EDS pr). The dividend is payable on Feb. 15, 1991 to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990 at the rate of $0.65 per share.

Edisto Resources Corporation's consolidated activities include the production of oil and gas, the exploration and development of oil and gas reserves and natural gas marketing and transportation.

CONTACT: Rhonda L. Wright, director-investor relations, 214-880-9330, or Margaret C. Bell, senior vice president, 214-880-9341, both of Edisto Resources.

-30- 878

#90354p5076 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CANTON, OH (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Gene E. Little has been named treasurer and elected an officer of The Timken Company (NYSE: TKR).

Little's election occurred at the company's board of directors meeting on Dec. 19.

Previously Little had been the company's director of finance and assistant treasurer.

Little's responsibilities as treasurer will include economic analysis and forecasting, cash and debt management, pension fund investments, investor relations and banking and credit rating agency relations. As in the past, he will report to J. Kevin Ramsey, vice president - finance.

Little joined the company in 1967 and progressed through a series of positions

in the United States and the United Kingdom. In 1981, he was named director - pension fund investments and corporate economics. In 1985, he was named director - finance and in 1987, assistant treasurer.

Little earned a bachelor's degree in economics from Kenyon College and a master's in business administration from Dartmouth College.

The Timken Company is a leading manufacturer of highly engineered bearings and alloy steels. The company employs 18,000 people worldwide and recorded 1989 sales of more than $1.5 billion.

CONTACT: Michael Johnson of The Timken Company, 216-438-3910.

-30- 1437
#90354p5080 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of The Coca-Cola Company (NYSE: KO) today elected Peter S. Sealey senior vice president.

In October, Mr. Sealey was named director of global marketing for The Coca-Cola Company with responsibility for the corporate departments of advertising, media services, marketing research, sports and licensing, planning promotions, new product development, and the marketing aspects of packaging. In addition, he is responsible for international marketing services and international post-mix.

Mr. Sealey originally joined The Coca-Cola Company in 1969 after considerable experience in consumer goods marketing. He held a number of key marketing positions in the Company before becoming vice president, marketing planning, for Coca-Cola USA in 1976. In 1982 he became vice president, marketing operations, for The Coca-Cola Company.

He joined Columbia Pictures, Inc. in 1985 and was named president of marketing and distribution for the motion picture studio.

Mr. Sealey recently completed doctoral studies at the Peter F. Drucker Graduate Management Center of Claremont Graduate School in California. He is a graduate of the University of Florida and holds a master's degree in industrial administration from Yale University.

CONTACT: Randy Donaldson of The Coca-Cola Company, 404-676-3853.

-30- 1543
#90354p5084 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Syncor International Corporation announced today record sales and earnings for the second quarter and the first six months ended Nov. 30, 1990.

Sales in the second quarter of fiscal 1991 increased 19 percent to a record $37 million, up from $31 million in the second quarter of fiscal 1990. Net income for the current quarter was $1 million or 10 cents per share compared to $1 million or 10 cents per share for the same period last year which included an extraordinary item of 2 cents. Income before extraordinary item increased to $1,030,000 or 10 cents per share compared to $788,000 or 8 cents per share, for last year, an increase of 30 percent.

For the six months of fiscal 1991, sales increased 19 percent to a record $73 million up from $62 million for the six months of fiscal 1990. Net income reached $2.1 million or 21 cents per share compared to $2.1 million or 21 cents per share for the last fiscal year which included an extraordinary item of 5 cents per share. Again, for the six months, income before extraordinary item increased 30 percent to $2.1 million or 21 cents per share, up from $1.6 million or 16 cents per share in fiscal 1990.

McGrevin also indicated that the company has initiated several new projects for the remainder of the current fiscal year which will ensure continued growth:

-- The building of marketing and sales support for the first in a series of anticipated new products for the nuclear medicine community;

-- The acquisitions of several nuclear pharmacies located in geographic areas not previously serviced by the company. These new pharmacies will allow Syncor to continue to build market share;

-- The continued repositioning of the Home Care business which may involve the closing of a few unprofitable individual operations. The remainder of its centers will be profitable and contribute to the company's growth, and;

-- The net financial impact of these projects is not expected to significantly effect the company's performance for the balance of the current fiscal year.

Syncor operates a nationwide network of 84 nuclear pharmacy service centers and 16 home care pharmacies. They prepare and deliver patient specific intravenous drugs and solutions for use in diagnostic imaging, and a complete range of products for home infusion therapy. Syncor services over 5,000 hospitals, clinics, physicians' offices, nursing facilities, and home based patients. Syncor is the only national pharmacy of its king that provides this combination of diagnostic and therapy services to the hospital and alternate site markets.

CONTACT: Michael E. Mikity, vice president of finance of Syncor International 818-886-7400, or Susan Noonan, Claudia Mueller or Anthony J. Russo of Noonan/Russo Communications, 212-979-9180, for Syncor.

-30- 3022
#90354p5088 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Stone & Webster Canada Limited has been appointed main engineering consultant for the rehabilitation of the four 525 MW coal-fired units at Ontario Hydro's Lambton Thermal Generating Station.

As part of Ontario Hydro's program to update its generating capacity, the Lambton rehabilitation program will be spread over approximately five years and will include retrofitting of boilers, turbines and balance of plant equipment. All of the work will be managed and executed in Stone & Webster's Toronto head office. Stone & Webster, which will be responsible for design, engineering, procurement, project and contract management, had previously been retained as the engineering consultant for the long lead items of this program.

Stone & Webster Canada Limited, incorporated in 1950, provides engineering, procurement, construction and project management services to power, process, industrial and institutional clients in Canada and abroad, and is a member of the worldwide group of Stone & Webster companies.

CONTACT: Diane Wigginton of Stone & Webster Canada, 416-482-8500.

-30- 1301
#90354p5089 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOHEMIA, NY (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Symbol Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: SBL), today announced that it has dismissed without prejudice its pending patent infringement suit against NCR (NYSE: NCR) in view of NCR's decision to withdraw its NCR 7860 hand-held laser scanner from the market. The suit was filed by Symbol in Federal Court in New York earlier this year and related to Symbol's patents on hand-held laser scanners.

Jerome Swartz, chairman and chief executive officer of Symbol, said, "We have carefully considered NCR's decision to discontinue its product, and are pleased that we have been able to reach an amicable resolution with NCR."

Symbol Technologies, Inc., is the world leader in bar code-based data capture systems, with more than one million scanners and terminals installed. The company designs, manufactures and markets bar code reading equipment, portable data terminals and radio frequency data communications products which are used as strategic building blocks in data collection systems for retail, manufacturing, distribution, military, health care and many other applications.

CONTACT: Michael G. Archambault of Symbol Technologies, 516-244-4632.

-30- 1357
#90354p5090 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Board of Directors of The Coca-Cola Company (NYSE: KO) has nominated Ronald W. Allen to stand for election as a director of the company.

His nomination to the Board will be voted on by shareholders at the company's 1991 annual meeting in April. Mr. Allen is chairman, president and chief executive officer of Delta Air Lines, Inc. (NYSE: DAL).

Mr. Allen began his career with Delta in 1963, serving in various administrative positions before being named vice president - administration in 1969. He became senior vice president - personnel in 1970, and was elected to the Delta Board of Directors in 1975. In 1979, he was named senior vice president - administration and personnel.

Mr. Allen became president and chief operating officer of Delta Air Lines in 1983, and was named chairman of the Board and chief executive officer in 1987. He assumed the additional position of president in August 1990.

A native of Atlanta, Mr. Allen is a director of National Service Industries, Inc., The C&S/Sovran Corporation, and the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce. He is a trustee of Presbyterian College.

Mr. Allen has also served as a member of the Georgia Institute of Technology's National Advisory Board, the Board of Trustees of Christian City Home for Children, the Metropolitan Atlanta Red Cross and the United Way of Atlanta.

CONTACT: Randy Donaldson of The Coca-Cola Company, (404) 676-3853.

-30- 1627
#90354p5093 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Dow B. Hickam, Inc. (NASDAQ: DBHI) today announced that it has entered into an agreement granting DBHI an option (through Jan. 31, 1991) to acquire exclusive licenses in North America to patents and technologies for new wound care products from BFGoodrich Company (NYSE: GR). Terms were not disclosed.

Included in this agreement are rights to wound care products that BFGoodrich has developed or currently has under development. To acquire the licenses, Dow B. Hickam, Inc. will pay a one-time license fee, as well as royalties based on sales over the life of the patents.

Dow B. Hickam, Inc. is already a leading manufacturer and marketer of wound care products for hospitals and nursing homes with its Granulex(R) and Sorbsan(R) product lines.

President and Chief Executive Officer Dow B. Hickam commented, "We are excited over the synergy and breadth that these products and technologies bring to our

product lines. We expect to be able to expand our markets significantly while adding choices and new technologies in the wound care market." Dow B. Hickam, Inc. will manufacture the products in their own facilities in Sugar Land, Texas, with equipment acquired in this transaction.

Dow B. Hickam, Inc., is a manufacturer and nationwide marketer of health care and pharmaceutical products. The company's stock is listed in alphabetical quotations as "Dow B. Hickam" or "Hickam."

CONTACT: David M. Satter, chief financial officer of Dow B. Hickam, (713) 240-1000; or Shellie M. Roth of G. A. Kraut Company, (212) 696-5600, for Dow B. Hickam.

-30- 1786
#90354p5095 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

YPSILANTI, MI (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - GM Powertrain Division, formerly Hydra-matic Division, today presented the Federal-Mogul facility in St. Johns, Mich., and Ganton Technologies of Sturtevant, Wis., with supplier awards under the General Motors "Targets for Excellence" program.

"Quality is the key to success in this very competitive marketplace. These two organizations' truly exemplary efforts help the Powertrain Division produce world-class transmissions, and we're glad to have you on the team," said William J. Boskey, general director of Materials Management.

The St. Johns plant -- the sixth Federal-Mogul facility to receive an award -- produces precision bushings and thrust washers used in all of Hydra-matic's transmissions, as well as other GM products.

"We are very proud of our partnership with the Powertrain Division and are thrilled about receiving the 'Mark of Excellence' award," said Bob Claycomb, plant manager of the St. Johns plant. "This achievement has truly been a team effort by all our employees at this facility and throughout Federal-Mogul."

Headquartered in Southfield, Mich., Federal-Mogul operates 42 plants, more than 70 distribution centers and four major research centers throughout the world. Its products range from a variety of precision parts for the transportation, farm equipment, construction and manufacturing industries to aerospace components.

Ganton Technologies produces diecast aluminum components used in all of Hydra-matic's transmissions.

The awards are part of the GM "Targets for Excellence" supplier development process, which is widely respected both inside and outside of the supplier community. The program was begun in 1987 and applies to GM suppliers of productive materials and service parts, including GM manufacturing locations.

The assessments are conducted by GM teams from purchasing, product engineering manufacturing and quality control activities. The teams assess suppliers in five key areas: quality, cost, delivery, management and technology. The "Mark of Excellence" is the top award available in the process.

GM Powertrain Division was formed last week through the integration of GM's transmission and engine operations, formerly known as Hydra- matic Division and GM Engine Division.

CONTACT: Janine R. Fruehan of Hydra-matic, 313-481-7500.

-30- 2552

#90354p5096 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 19) PR NEWSWIRE - Financial News Network Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: FNNIE) today announced that it filed its annual report on Form 10-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990.

FNN announced that its audited financial results for the year ended June 30, 1990, as previously anticipated, show a net loss of $72.4 million, or $4 per share. Results for fiscal 1989, as to which a previously issued opinion by FNN's former auditors has been withdrawn, are not audited.

FINANCIAL NEWS NETWORK, INC.
Selected Financial Data
(in thousands, except per share data)

	Year ended June 30,	
	1990	1989
	(Unaudited)	
Revenues	$52,612	$44,608
Net income (loss)		
Continuing operations	(69,285)	6,474
Discontinued operations	(3,076)	(3,471)
Total	$(72,361)	$ 3,003
Income (loss) per share		
Continuing operations	$ (3.83)	$ 0.36
Discontinued operations	(0.17)	(0.19)
Total	$ (4.00)	$ 0.17
Weighted average number shares outstanding	18,073	17,852

Financial News Network provides three services to more than 35 million homes on 3,500 cable systems throughout the United States and Canada. The television programming services are FNN: BUSINESS (business news and personal financial management) and FNN: SPORTS (sports information and news).

FNN's market data services include FNN: Data Broadcasting (stock quotes and market information transmitted to personal computers) and its 49 percent

position in Shark Information Services Corporation (stock quotes and market information to professional investors). FNN also operates a business radio network, and, collectively with its 46 percent shareholder Infotechnology, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: ITCH) owns 51 percent of the cable network, The Learning Channel.

CONTACT: Amber Gordon of Quest Business Agency, 703-359-6404, or 212-891-7575 for Financial News Network.

-30- 2444

#90354p5099 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEARBORN, MI (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS) announced today that its principal subsidiary, Consumers Power Company, received this morning a Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) Administrative Law Judge's (ALJ) proposal for decision relating to the recovery in the Step 3B Midland nuclear plant abandonment case.

In his proposal, ALJ Robert E. Hollenshead recommends that the MPSC permit Consumers Power to recover $1.34 billion of the requested $2.14 billion related to the abandoned nuclear assets. The MPSC staff had also previously recommended recovery of $1.34 billion.

The ALJ's recommended recovery would occur over a 10-year period and would provide the company an annual electric rate increase of $111.5 million during this period.

The company is studying the ALJ's proposal and will be filing its exceptions to the ALJ's proposal in February 1991. As a result of the ALJ's proposal for decision, the company expects to reserve against income in the fourth quarter approximately $450 million on an after tax basis.

If the 3B case that is the subject of today's ALJ's proposal for decision is not settled, it is expected that the MPSC would issue its final order in mid- to late 1991.

CMS Energy Corporation is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services. CMS Energy Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth- largest combination utility.

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, 517-788-2396.

-30- 1945

#90354p5102 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOKLYN, N.Y. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - TechKnits, Inc. (NASDAQ: KNIT), a diversified manufacturer of women's, men's and children's sweaters today reported that its shareholders approved a reverse split of its shares of common stock on the basis of three old shares for one new share.

CONTACT: Simon Taub of TechKnits, 718-875-3299

-30- 490

#90354p5103 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - National City Corporation (NYSE: NCC) announced today that Jeffrey D. Kelly has been elected senior vice president of the corporation.

Kelly will be senior vice president, bank investment and report to Charles W. Hall, executive vice president, Investments. According to Hall, Kelly will now have direct reporting responsibility for all bank-related funds management activities corporate-wide.

In announcing Kelly's appointment, Edward B. Brandon, chairman and chief executive officer, commented, "The investment operation is resurfacing as a major profit area for this company.

"The funding center's net income has more than doubled in the past year; net income for 1990 is $30.4 million compared to $13.4 million in 1989. Kelly's experience in portfolio management, the markets for purchased funds, and public finance will enhance the growing investment operations of National City."

Kelly has been with National City since 1979. He began his career as a management assistant and in 1987 was named a senior vice president of National City Bank's Investment Division. In 1989 he was named Bank Investment Division Manager.

National City Corporation is a $23 billion bank holding company headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio. The corporation's principal banking units include National City Bank, Cleveland; BancOhio National Bank, Columbus; and First National Bank of Louisville.

Other member banks include National City Bank, Akron; First National Bank and Gem Savings Association, Dayton; CommerceNational Bank, Lexington; and Ohio Citizens Bank, Toledo. National City also has ten community banks serving cities and towns throughout Ohio, Kentucky and southern Indiana.

National City's subsidiaries and divisions offer a wide-range of financial services, such as credit card, retail payment and airline ticket processing, trust and investment management, leasing, merchant and mortgage banking, venture capital, small business and community investment, and credit life

insurance.

These units include Franklinton Financial Services, National Processing Company, First Kentucky Trust Company, National City Trust Company, NCC Merchant Banking, National City Mortgage Company, W. Lyman Case & Company, National City Community Development Corporation, National City Life Insurance Company, National City Public Finance, NC Investments and National Asset Management Corporation.

CONTACT: Mary H. Griffith, vice president & director, (216) 575-2728, or Charles W. Hall, executive vice president, (216) 575-2262, both of National City Corporation.

-30- 2824

#90354p5105 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD, IL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - In bankruptcy court yesterday in Phoenix, Ariz., Walgreen Co. (NYSE: WAG) was awarded the assets of Medicare-Glaser drugstores in the St. Louis metropolitan area. Walgreens will operate four stores under the Walgreen name, and will transfer prescription files, photofinishing business and inventory from other Medicare-Glaser units to nearby Walgreen stores.

All Medicare-Glaser units will remain open under the bankruptcy court order until the sale closes in January. During this transition time, prescription needs will continue to be met for all Medicare-Glaser customers, including third party plan members.

"We've been part of the St. Louis market since 1925," said Bill Vernon, Walgreen regional vice president. "We look forward to serving the prescription and photofinishing needs of Medicare-Glaser customers when this sale closes next month. Customers will find our stores conveniently located and easy to shop. We also believe they'll appreciate the advantages of our Intercom pharmacy computer system, which allows easy prescription transferability among Walgreen stores nationwide."

Walgreens is the nation's largest drugstore chain, with annual sales of $6 billion. The company operates nearly 1,600 stores nationwide.

CONTACT: Laurie L. Meyer of Walgreen Co., 708-940-2930

-30- 1503

#90354p5109 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATCHISON, KS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Midwest Grain Products, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MWGP) reported that a cash dividend of 17 1/2 cents per share was declared today on its common stock to all stockholders of record Jan. 14, 1991, with the payment date being Feb. 8, 1991.

Midwest Grain Products is a fully integrated producer of vital wheat gluten, premium wheat starch, flour and alcohol products.

CONTACT: Steve Pickman of Midwest Grain Products, Inc., 913-367-1480.

-30- 646

#90354p5111 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) said today that Unit 1 at the Limerick Generating Station in Montgomery County has returned to service from a three-month outage for refueling and maintenance.

PE said the unit was connected to the regional power grid on Tuesday, Dec. 18, after completing its third refueling outage which began on Sept. 8.

Today is operating at 50 percent power and is expected to gradually ascend to full power by this weekend.

During the outage, one-third of the unit's 764 fuel elements were replaced and some 2,000 maintenance tasks were performed of which approximately 1,500 were preventive maintenance.

Approximately 1,200 persons worked on the outage, including PE personnel and outside contractors. The total cost of the outage was more than 10 percent under the $27 million budget.

After returning from its second refueling outage on May 22, 1989, Unit 1 operated for 378 consecutive days, becoming one of only nine General Electric units worldwide to run continuously for more than 365 days. Of the 470 days between the second and third refueling outages the unit was out of service for only 29 days.

As a result of this exemplary operating record, General Electric Co. awarded Limerick its Outstanding Performance Award.

Graham M. Leitch, PE vice president, Limerick, said, "This award is the result of quality operation, an outstanding preventative maintenance program, and dedication on the part of the entire staff at Limerick. As we embark on this operating cycle, everyone at Limerick will continue to maintain public safety and quality of operation as our top goals."

For the first nine months of the year, 65.3 percent of PE's 27.5 billion kilowatt hours of electricity was generated by nuclear power.

The fuel cost to generate the electricity produced by nuclear power during the first nine months of the year was approximately $490 million less than the

fuel cost to produce the same amount of electricity through oil-fired generation.

Through September just 5 percent of PE's power was produced by oil, a significant change from 1972 when PE relied on oil for 46 percent of its total output and PE customers were subject to dramatic increases in the cost of electricity caused by the first Arab oil embargo.

CONTACT: Bill Jones of Philadelphia Electric, 215-841-4129

-30- 2582

#90354p5113 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Dr. Robert E. Boni was today elected a director of Maritrans GP Inc., the managing general partner of Maritrans Partners L.P. (NYSE: TUG).

Stephen A. Van Dyck, chairman and chief executive officer, made the announcement following Boni's election as a new director by the board of directors.

Boni retired as chairman of ARMCO Inc. on Nov. 30, 1990, but has remained a member of that company's board of directors. Boni began his career at ARMCO in 1956, becoming president in 1983 and chairman in 1986. He is also a director of Alexander & Alexander Services Inc. A native of Canton, Ohio, his post graduate degrees were from Carnegie- Mellon University.

Maritrans Partners L.P. is a master limited partnership formed in 1987 to purchase and operate, through Maritrans Operating Partners L.P., a fleet of tugboats and oceangoing tank barges along the Gulf and Atlantic coasts. Maritrans is the largest independent U.S. flag marine transporter of petroleum products in the coastal trade. The Maritrans Partners L.P. limited partnership units are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "TUG."

CONTACT: Gary Schaefer of Maritrans, 215-864-1288

-30- 1368

#90354p5117 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Boeing Commercial Airplane Group today announced it had reached agreements with three aerospace suppliers for the production of components and systems for the new Boeing 777 twinjet.

Boeing estimates that the initial orders with these firms have a combined value of about $130 million, and that this amount will be significantly higher when measured against the life of the 777 program.

The suppliers and their responsibilities under the new contracts: -- Garrett Auxiliary Power Division of Allied-Signal Aerospace Company will design and build the 777's auxiliary power unit. This unit, which provides power for electrical and air conditioning needs during ground operations, will be produced at Garrett's plant in Phoenix, Ariz.

-- AiResearch Group of Allied-Signal Aerospace Company will produce the 777's cabin pressure control system and air supply control system. Development and manufacture of these systems will take place at AiResearch Group plants in Torrance, Calif.; Tucson, Ariz.; Tempe, Ariz. and Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

-- Hamilton Standard Division of United Technologies will be responsible for the cabin air conditioning and temperature control system, as well as the ice protection system for the wing and engine cowling. Production will take place at Hamilton Standard's facilities in Windsor Locks, Conn.

Earlier, Boeing announced contracts with Honeywell Inc., for flight deck avionics and with Sundstrand Corp. for the primary electrical power generating system.

All of these firms are working with Boeing 777 design/build teams in Seattle. The design/build concept brings together representatives from engineering, manufacturing, customer support and other disciplines to help assure designs are cost-effective, fully integrated and meet customer needs before they are released for production.

The Boeing 777 is a medium-to-long-range jetliner seating 360 to 390 passengers in a two-class configuration. It features an advanced wing design, the widest fuselage in its class and the latest high-efficiency turbofan engines. First delivery is scheduled for May 1995 to United Airlines.

CONTACT: Richard Schleh of Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, 206-234-9332.

-30- 2445

#90354p5120 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SANTA CLARA, CA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Stanford Telecommunications Inc. (NASDAQ: STII) announced today that it has been awarded a $722K contract by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration/Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala., to design and develop the Signal Analysis Modeling System for the Space Station Freedom WP0I signal/data handling requirements. This tool will be known as SAMS. Its primary function will be to verify and assess the WP0I Instrumentation Program Command List (ICPL) and the ICPL database and initially SAMS will be capable of accommodating 10,000 signals which include both measurements and commands and their associated attributes.

Stanford Telecom designs, manufactures and operates electronic systems primarily for space programs for Government, international, and commercial

customers. These systems provide a variety of functions, including satellite navigation, communications, earth observation and tracking, and telemetry and control for fixed stations as well as mobile and airborne users.

CONTACT: Gary Wolf of Stanford Telecommunications, 408-748-1010.

-30- 1304

#90354p5121 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Knight-Ridder, Inc. (NYSE: KRI) today released its monthly statistical report for November and the year-to-date figures of its operations as follows --

KNIGHT-RIDDER, INC.
MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

	November		Percent	YEAR-TO-DATE		Percent
	1990	1989	Change	1990	1989	Change
REVENUE ($000)						
Business Information Services	$27,000	$24,363	10.8	$288,800	$252,488	14.4
Newspaper Advertising						
Retail	$80,976	$82,782	(2.2)	$711,481	$711,414	0.0
General	16,795	18,121	(7.3)	172,982	172,777	0.1
Classi-fied	40,362	44,927	(10.2)	544,760	554,559	(1.8)
Total	$138,133	145,830	(5.3)	1,429,223	1,438,750	(0.7)
Circulation	$32,866	$31,071	5.8	$368,611	$351,227	4.9
AVERAGE CIRCULATION - EXCLUDING PASADENA & DETROIT (000s of copies) (A)(C)						
Morning	2,980	2,917	2.2	2,922	2,857	2.3
Evening	348	401	(13.2)	382	404	(5.4)
Sunday	4,226	4,191	0.8	4,189	4,161	0.7
ADVERTISING LINAGE (000s of six column inches) (A)(B)(C) & (D)						
Full run ROP						
Retail	1,719.2	1,894.8	(9.3)	15,825.0	16,882.9	(6.3)
General	173.9	207.6	(16.2)	1,760.1	1,937.8	(9.2)
Classified	1,024.8	1,091.0	(6.1)	12,728.5	13,105.2	(2.9)
Total	2,917.9	3,193.4	(8.6)	30,313.5	31,925.9	(5.1)
Factored Part Run ROP	152.5	164.3	(7.2)	1,533.2	1,531.7	0.1
Full Run Preprint	1,883.6	1,765.6	6.7	13,985.7	13,076.3	7.0
Part Run Preprint	1,841.6	1,765.9	4.3	13,691.1	14,060.7	(2.6)

TOTAL PREPRINTS INSERTED (000s)	447,167	442,813	1.0	3,794,289	3,637,945	4.3
BASIC CABLE TELEVISION SUB-SCRIBERS	304,000	290,000	4.8			
FULL RUN ROP ADVERTISING LINAGE DATA By Market (000s of six column inches) Notes (A)(B)(C) & (D)						
Akron Beacon Journal	123.8	135.9	(8.9)	1,227.8	1,280.9	(4.1)
Charlotte Observer	159.8	184.7	(13.5)	1,576.1	1,720.6	(8.4) Columbia
State	150.7	163.1	(7.6)	1,506.8	1,544.3	(2.4)
Detroit Free Press	105.7	132.2	(20.0)	1,114.8	1,395.4	(20.1)
Ft. Wayne News-Sentinel, Journal-Gazette	143.9	150.2	(4.2)	1,566.4	1,621.9	(3.4)
Lexington Herald-Leader	104.2	124.5	(16.3)	1,050.6	1,175.9	(10.7)
Long Beach Press-Telegram	118.5	120.7	(1.8)	1,226.3	1,236.2	(0.8) Miami
Herald	216.3	250.2	(13.5)	2,248.5	2,424.5	(7.3)
Philadelphia Inquirer, News	278.2	331.1	(16.0)	2,857.0	3,138.9	(9.0)
St. Paul Pioneer Press	110.6	121.4	(8.9)	1,162.8	1,245.8	(6.7)
San Jose Mercury News	256.5	293.7	(12.7)	2,944.5	3,112.2	(5.4) Wichita
Eagle	95.7	100.8	(5.1)	967.2	1,010.1	(4.2)
All Other Daily News-papers	1,054.0	1,084.9	(2.8)	10,864.7	11,019.2	(1.4)
Total -- Full Run ROP	2,917.9	3,193.4	(8.6)	30,313.5	31,925.9	(5.1)

(A) -- Statistics of the Pasadena Star-News, sold on June 1, 1989, are excluded for comparability from these schedules. Full-Run ROP linage for the Star-News for June 1989 was 289.1 for the year-to-date.

(B) -- Full run ROP linage of the joint operating agency between the Seattle Times and the Seattle Post Intelligencer was 276 for the month (up 1.0 percent from the prior year) and 2,764 for the year-to-date (up 2.2 percent from the prior year). Knight-Ridder owns 49.5 percent of the voting stock and 65

percent of the non-voting common stock of the Seattle Times. None of the linage is included in the Advertising Linage section.

(C) -- On Nov. 27, 1989, the Detroit News and the Detroit Free Press began operations under a Joint Operating Agreement as the Detroit News Agency (DNA). Revenue and linage for 1990 include 50 percent of DNA. Revenue and linage for 1989 include Detroit Free Press only. Circulation statistics for Detroit are excluded from both years.

(D) -- Measured by individual Knight-Ridder newspapers. Where necessary, certain previously reported linage has been restated to be consistent with measurement guidelines currently in use.

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-30- 4594

#90354p5122 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Ford Motor Company (NYSE: F) is playing Santa Claus in Cleveland again, donating $9,000 to help feed needy people during the holidays.

The funds, contributed by Ford's Cleveland Community Relations Committee, will be used by the Inter Church Council of Greater Cleveland for its Hunger Task Force, which provides canned goods and other staples to less fortunate families in the city.

Members of the Ford committee and UAW hourly employees from Ford's area plants will unload food cases at the Church Council's Community Corner, 8607 Madison Ave., starting at 10:30 a.m. Friday (Dec. 21). They also will help distribute the food to families at that location.

"Once again, Ford, which is the largest private-sector employer in the Cleveland area, is pleased to be able to help needy people in the city at holiday time," said Bill Smith, chairman of the committee. He also is manager of Ford's Walton Hills Stamping Plant.

In another holiday contribution to the community, Ford's Community Relations Committee again will sponsor two Christmas concerts by the Cleveland Orchestra Saturday (Dec. 22) at Severance Hall.

CONTACT: Bill Carroll of Ford, 313-322-1300.

-30- 1378

#90354p5123 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

OMAHA, NE (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - ConAgra Inc. (NYSE: CAG) today reported record earnings for fiscal year 1991's second quarter and first half ended

Nov. 25.

Second quarter earnings per share rose 15 percent to 60 cents from 52 cents in the previous year's second quarter. Net income was up 38 percent to $88.3 million from $63.9 million. Pretax earnings increased 53 percent to $152.4 million from $99.9 million. Net sales gained 38 percent to $5.33 billion from $3.86 billion.

On an operating basis excluding nonrecurring items in last year's first quarter, fiscal 1991 first half earnings per share rose 18 percent to $1.06 from 90 cents a year ago; net income was up 31 percent to $146.2 million from $111.8 million; and pretax earnings increased 44 percent to $249.1 million from $173.1 million. Net sales gained 25 percent to $9.82 billion from $7.86 billion.

Including nonrecurring items in fiscal 1990's first quarter, the results in last year's first half were earnings per share 92 cents, net income $113.9 million and pretax earnings $179.2 million. Net sales in last year's first quarter and half were not affected by the nonrecurring items.

During the second quarter and first half, ConAgra's largest industry segment, Prepared Foods, registered a major increase in operating profit.

The Beatrice businesses -- Hunt-Wesson, Swift-Eckrich and Beatrice Cheese -- were the key source of the Prepared Foods profit increase. ConAgra acquired Beatrice Company on Aug. 14; Beatrice operations were include in ConAgra's results for two weeks of fiscal 1991's first quarter and all of the second quarter. Beatrice earnings to date have been ahead of plan.

ConAgra's consumer frozen food business achieved exceptional double-digit unit volume growth in fiscal 1991's second quarter and first half. Successful new products and brands such as Healthy Choice and Kid Cuisine and established Banquet, Morton and Patio brands supported the surge. Over 50 new products were introduced during the second quarter. They included additions to the national Health Choice and Kid Cuisine lines and new frozen and shelf-stable lines in test markets. Despite heavy marketing spending, earnings were up significantly in the second quarter and well ahead in the first half.

CONTACT: Walt Casey of ConAgra, 402-595-4154.

-30- 2514

#90354p5124 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Altex Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: ALTX) today announced its results for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30.

The company had a net loss of $468,000 on revenues of $914,000, for a loss per share of $.03. The loss includes a writedown of $487,000. In fiscal 1989 the

company had a net loss of $2,112,000 on revenues of $619,000, for a loss per share of $.13. The fiscal 1989 loss included a writedown of $1,894,000.

Year ended Sept. 30;	1990	1989
Revenues	$914,000	$ 619,000
Net loss	$468,000(a)	$2,112,000(b)
Net loss per share	$ .03	$ .13

(a) - Includes writedown of $487,000.
(b) - Includes writedown of $1,894,000.

CONTACT: Susan Pirri of Altex, (303) 534-2667.

-30- 974
#90354p5126 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC) and British Telecom plc today announced they are soliciting bids from potential contractors to construct the world's largest undersea fiber optic cable that will link Europe with North America.

The TAT-X Cable Consortium has decided to issue a request for quotations (RFQ) with a target of awarding contracts by May 1991.

"Earlier this month, 18 carriers representing 11 countries gathered to discuss the details concerning the cable," said Seth Blumenfeld, president, MCI International.

The consortium is planning to use the advanced Synchronous Digital Hierarchy (SDH) international transmission standard. SDH enhances fiber optic cable systems by providing sophisticated management capabilities including centralized control of circuit provisioning, maintenance testing and cable restoration.

TAT-X, with SDH, is expected to operate at transmission speeds as high as 2.4 gigabits per second, providing the capability to handle 150,000 simultaneous phone calls per fiber pair. It will have at least three operating fiber pairs with one serving as a backup.

TAT-8 and PTAT are already installed and in service. TAT-9 is due to be in operation by the end of 1991. TAT-X, scheduled to be operational during 1993, will provide five times the capacity of TAT-9.

"TAT-X Cable Consortium members met recently to discuss the role envisioned for the cable in the developing North Atlantic fiber optic cable network, as well as the planning and implementation required to make the cable a reality," said Blumenfeld.

The growing telecommunications needs between the United States and Europe are expected to result in a 50 percent increase in voice traffic by the time TAT-X is in service by the end of 1993. Private line demands of international business also will further increase the requirement for additional capacity.

British Telecommunications plc is a leading world player in telecommunications. It operates one of the largest networks in the world and offers a wide range of international services. British Telecom has annual revenue of over $20 billion and employs 240,000 in 30 countries.

MCI Communications Corporation had 1989 revenue of $6.5 billion and is one of the world's largest telecom companies with offices in 50 countries. Headquartered in Washington, MCI offers a full range of domestic and international communications services for residential, government and business users. International services include direct dialing, telex, facsimile, electronic mail, private voice and data networks and television transmission.

CONTACT: MCI Corporate News Bureau, 1-800-289-0073, or 202-887-3000.

-30- 2949

#90354p5128 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - HEM Research, Inc., announced today the commencement of clinical trials with the investigational drug Ampligen in the treatment of patients with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (CFS). The company believes that Ampligen is the only drug currently announced as being cleared by the FDA for expanded testing with CFS patients that seeks to treat the viral and immune system facets of the disease.

The protocol for the expanded double-blind study of CFS patients calls for a study group of approximately 120 patients. Since FDA clearance was given, investigators have been selected at five local test sites across the country, patients have been screened and enrolled at each site, and Ampligen administration has begun at all sites. Initial results are expected to be reported in the fall of 1991.

One key measure in the trials will be to test patients for increased physical endurance. CFS leaves many patients unable to stand or to take more than a few steps on a treadmill. In their worst condition, patients often are unable to roll over in bed, chew their food, or brush their teeth without severe pain and fatigue.

Another key measure will be the evaluation of the patients' mental capabilities using standard I.Q. and other cognitive tests. CFS impairs many patients' mental faculties, often resulting in a drop from above- average I.Q. scores to levels approaching retardation. Patients are often left unable to read, do simple math, or understand what people are saying.

There is not yet a definitive blood test to detect CFS, but there are markers in the blood which will be studied in these trials. One marker is an increased production of certain cytokines, agents that build up the immune system to fight off disease. CFS patients tend to have a unique imbalance of certain cytokines.

Another marker that will be tracked in a nested study at one test site measures the dysfunctioning in the chain of reactions known as the anti-viral pathway that results in response to a viral infection. The chain normally begins when a double-stranded RNA fits like a key into the enzyme 2-5A synthetase. The 2-5A synthetase triggers the production of bioactive 2-5A. This in turn produces RNase L, which degrades cellular and viral RNA, inhibiting viruses from reproducing and spreading. CFS patients show an alteration of 2-5A either due to an up or down regulation of RNase L. Ampligen appears to restore balance to the anti-viral pathway by modulating RNase L production to normal levels.

The test to evaluate this antiviral pathway was developed by a research team led by Dr. Robert Suhadolnik at the Temple University School of Medicine. The nested clinical study will be conducted by Dr. Daniel Peterson, the trial investigator at the Lake Tahoe, Nev. site.

HEM Research, Inc., is a biomedical and pharmaceutical company with executive offices in Philadelphia and Tavernier, Fla., and a research and development center in Rockville, Md.

CONTACT: William J. Jenks of Broadgate Consultants, 212-742-1280, for HEM Research.

-30- 3287

#90354p5129 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The number of serious strike- related incidents across the tri-state area since the walkout began at the Daily News on Oct. 25 has now reached 1,008, with eight incidents recorded in the last 24 hours, the newspaper announced today.

A striking pressman was arrested at 4:50 a.m. this morning and charged with two counts -- one a felony.

No arrests have been made in an incident where at 2:30 a.m. this morning a bomb was reported at Laconia and 230th Street in the Bronx. A package was removed by the Police Department bomb squad consisting of "sticks tied together with a clock" giving the appearance of a time- bomb.

As of 8 a.m. this morning: Serious incidents: 1,008 Arrests: 147 Personal injuries: 73 People hospitalized: 11 Vehicles damaged or destroyed: 177

Thus, according to the paper, an average of almost 18 serious incidents have occurred per day in the unions' efforts to obstruct by force the production and distribution of the Daily News in the tri-state area since the strike began on Oct. 25.

The record of serious incidents over the now 57-day-old strike includes attempted murder, kidnapping, robbery, criminal use of explosives, arson, criminal menacing, etc.

"There continues to be an orchestrated campaign of violence by striking employees, all in violation of the law, the aim of which is to destroy the Daily News' business," said News spokesman John Sloan.

CONTACT: John Sloan of the Daily News, 212-210-6349

-30- 1683
#90354p5130 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Global Natural Resources Inc. (NYSE: GNR) shares began trading today on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GNR. Global shares were previously traded on the American Stock Exchange under the same symbol.

Listing GNR on the New York Stock Exchange is expected to provide the company and its shareholders the advantages of a broader and more liquid market for Global shares according to James G. Niven, chairman.

Niven also indicated that the increased visibility of the New York Stock Exchange listing will broaden Global's exposure to international investors and potentially diversify the company's entire shareholder base.

In 1989, Global earned $2.4 million, or $0.11 per share, on revenues of $40.6 million. Cash generated from operations was $16.1 million in 1989. Global has 23,473,275 shares outstanding.

For the first nine months of 1990, Global reported net income of $4.9 million, or $0.22 per share, on revenues of $43.3 million. Cash flow during this period was $25.7 million.

Global Natural Resources Inc. is a Houston-based energy company engaged in the exploration, development and production of oil and gas in North America; owns an interest in long-term oil and gas production sharing contracts in Indonesia; and has a joint venture project in Tataria-USSR.

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-30- 1707
#90354p5133 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
HOUSTON (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Coastal Corporation (NYSE: CGP) announced today that its ANR Iroquois, Inc. subsidiary will increase its equity interest in the Iroquois Gas Transmission System from 6.4 percent to 9.4 percent.

ANR Iroquois will purchase the additional three percent from a unit of Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation, which will sell its remaining 3.4 percent equity interest to other Iroquois partners.

The 370-mile pipeline projects is a partnership of U.S. and Canadian energy companies and will bring about 575 million cubic feet of gas a day from Canada to natural gas consumers in six Northeast states.

According to James F. Cordes, Coastal executive vice president, Iroquois will expand gas transportation in an area which is constrained by limited pipeline capacity.

Utilities and power generators in New York, New Jersey, and New England will be able to access new sources of gas and have greater control over gas transportation and delivery, plus greater flexibility to meet customer needs. Construction on the Iroquois Project is expected to begin in March.

The Coastal Corporation is a Houston-based energy holding company, It has consolidated assets of $8 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission and storage, oil and gas exploration and production, refining and marketing, coal and chemicals and independent power production.

CONTACT: Barbara Johnson of Coastal, (713) 877-3293.

-30- 1651
#90354p5134 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
WATERTOWN, Mass. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Ionics, Incorporated (NYSE: ION) announced today that Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has selected Ionics as the company with which it intends to finalize a contract for the supply of desalted and purified water for use at its Diablo Canyon Power Plant. Under the contract, Ionics will design, build, own and operate a 400-gallon-per-minute (gpm) seawater desalination facility and a 600-gpm ultrapure water facility.

The two facilities will be leased to PG&E and operated by Ionics under a 10-year contract. Based on anticipated water requirements, the contract is expected to generate revenues totaling approximately $20 million over the contract term. Start-up of both facilities is scheduled for early 1992.

The seawater desalination facility will supplement the plant's process water

supply and the ultrapure water facility will provide highly purified water for the plant's steam generator system. The facilities will utilize advanced membrane techniques which are based upon the reverse osmosis, ultrafiltration and electrodialysis reversal processes.

Ionics is a separations technology company involved worldwide in the manufacture and sale of membranes and related equipment for the purification of water, in the supply of purified water and water treatment chemicals, and in the sale of bottled water and home water purifiers.

CONTACT: A.T. Coughlin, of Ionics, Inc. 617-926-2500

-30- 1644

#90354p5136 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CINCINNATI (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacor Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOR), announced that it has obtained an extension until Dec. 21 of payments due holders of certain notes and warrants as discussions continue with respect to the resolution of the remaining issues and the preparation of definitive documents under the company's previously announced agreement in principal with its bank lenders involved in the restructuring of Jacor's obligations to the banks and the holders of these notes and warrants.

Jacor Communications, Inc., headquartered in Cincinnati, owns 13 radio stations, a cable television system, the Georgia Network and Critical Mass Media, Inc. The company's stations are located in Cincinnati, Atlanta, Cleveland, Denver, Nashville, Knoxville, Jacksonville and Tampa.

CONTACT: R. Christopher Weber, or Jon M. Berry, 513-621-1300, both of Jacor Communications, Inc.

-30- 1073

#90354p5137 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., Kidder, Peabody & Co. Incorporated, PaineWebber Incorporated and Prudential- Bache Capital Funding, as co-managers of the underwriting group, announced today the initial public offering of 50 million shares of common stock of The Blackstone Strategic Term Trust Inc. (NYSE: BGT) at $10 per share. The trust has granted the underwriters an option to purchase up to an additional 7,500,000 shares to cover over-allotments, if any.

The trust estimates that the net proceeds of this offering will be fully invested in accordance with the trust's investment objective and policies within two months of the initial public offering. Pending such investment, the proceeds may be invested in U.S. government securities or high quality, short-term money market instruments.

The Blackstone Strategic Term Trust Inc. is a newly organized, diversified, closed-end management investment company. The trust's investment objective is to manage a portfolio of high quality securities that will return at least $10 per share to investors on or shortly before Dec. 31, 2002, while providing high monthly income. The trust will seek to achieve its objective by investing primarily in mortgage- backed securities and, to a lesser extent, in municipal securities, including municipal zero coupon securities, and by actively managing the trust's assets in relation to market conditions, interest rate changes and the remaining term of the trust.

A copy of the prospectus relating to the offering of the shares may be obtained from Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. at 2 World Trade Center, New York, N.Y. 10048.

CONTACT: Barbara Hynes of Gavin Anderson Doremus, 212-921-1060, for Dean Witter Reynolds.

-30- 1944

#90354p5140 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Horizon Healthcare Corp. (NYSE: HHC) today announced the results of its second quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

Horizon reported net income of $401,000 or 6 cents per share, a 29 percent increase from the $311,000 or 5 cents per share reported for the second quarter of the prior fiscal year. Net revenues from continuing operations were $26.3 million for the second quarter of fiscal 1991 as compared to the $26.5 million for the like period last year.

For the six months ended Nov. 30, 1990 revenues from continuing operations were $51.8 million and net income was $749,000 versus $52.7 million and $479,000 respectively for the prior year. Earnings per share for the six months, increased to 11 cents from 8 cents for the comparable period of the prior year with 816,468 more shares outstanding.

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-30- 1075

#90354p5145 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, Va. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobil Corporation announced today that Mobil Gas Marketing, a Mobil unit in the United Kingdom, has signed a 15-year contract to supply 400 billion cubic feet of natural gas to an electric power station to be built by PowerGen in Hertfordshire, Great Britain.

PowerGen will build a 680 megawatt station at Rye House, near Hoddesdon. The natural gas will be supplied from a pool assembled from a number of fields.

The managing director of Mobil Gas Marketing, Ted Trafford, said the contract is a significant step forward in marketing efforts initiated by the company.

"We are privileged to have PowerGen as one of our major long term customers," he said. "We agree with PowerGen that natural gas will play an ever-increasing role in power generation and we look forward to increasing our participation as a supplier to this sector of the market."

Mobil is the third largest natural gas producer worldwide. The company formed Mobil Gas Marketing to penetrate the direct sales market in the United Kingdom. This is in keeping with recent government initiatives to foster competition in the marketplace. The unit is currently the dominant marketer of gas being supplied to industry from sellers other than British Gas. PowerGen has just received consent from the U.K. Secretary of State for Energy to build a combined cycle gas turbine power station in Hertfordshire.

The executive director for the company, Alf Roberts, said natural gas used in such power stations produces virtually no sulphur dioxide, a quarter of the nitrogen oxides and half of the carbon dioxide compared to an equivalent capacity coal-fired station.

"We are delighted to have signed this contract with Mobil Gas Marketing as it represents another important step forward towards our objective of developing natural gas generating capacity and securing long term access to gas supplies " he said.

CONTACT: John Lord of Mobil, 703-846-2500

-30- 2156

#90354p5146 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOMERVILLE, NJ (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - UNIMED, Inc. (NASDAQ: UMED) reported revenues for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990 of $4,499,750, compared with $4,250,911 for the prior year. Consolidated net loss for the year totaled $1,600,579, or 50 cents per share, compared with a year earlier net loss of $1,908,418, or 59 cents per share.

Net sales of Marinol(R) (dronabinol), UNIMED's antinausea pharmaceutical for cancer chemotherapy patients, increased 28 percent in the 1990 fourth quarter over the level achieved in the same quarter of fiscal 1989. Sales of Serc(R) (betahistine HCl) in Canada grew 10 percent. These increases were offset by a decrease of 79 percent in research contract revenue, a decrease of 61 percent in shipments of Serc to foreign licensees and an unfavorable shift in reserves for returns, allowances and discounts. Chemical segment revenues increase 22 percent over the prior year.

Commenting on the company's operation, Harold J. Tenoso, Ph.D., UNIMED's president and chief executive officer, said, "In early 1990 we initiated a

program to reduce our operating losses while ensuring the progress of our major programs. This, combined with sales growth led by Marinol, has resulted in the improved bottom line performance we predicted for the latter half of the year."

Tenoso went on to say, "Marinol represents our most exciting opportunity for continued near-term growth. Realizing its growth is UNIMED's highest priority. We'll continue to control our expenditures as we seek to establish key alliances to advance our product portfolio. With continued success in these efforts, we expect to achieve our objective of breakeven during fiscal 1991."

UNIMED also reported continued progress in clinical studies for Spiro-32 (spirogermanium HCl) in rheumatoid arthritis and G-6-M in cancer. Contract research projects utilizing the Medisperse drug deliver technology expanded to twelve during the year.

UNIMED, Inc. specializes in the development and marketing of pharmaceuticals, with emphasis on cancer therapy and supportive care of cancer patients. The company has already brought two pharmaceuticals to market and has a portfolio of drugs in various stages of development.

CONTACT: Charles P. Harrison of UNIMED, 908-526-6894, or Robert A. Borchert of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545.

-30- 2548

#90354p5148 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Dresser Industries, Inc. (NYSE: DI) today reported higher sales and earnings for fiscal 1990 than the previous year.

For the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990, Dresser's consolidated sales and service revenues were $4.48 billion, compared to $3.96 billion in fiscal 1989. Additionally, the company's three major unconsolidated joint ventures had sales revenues of $3.35 billion vs. $3.04 billion in 1989. Dresser has a 50 percent ownership position in two of the joint ventures and a 30 percent interest in the other one.

Net earnings of $184.4 million increased 8 percent from $170 million in fiscal 1989, and earnings per share of $1.36 compared to $1.26 per share (split basis) the prior year.

Gains from pension plan liability settlements declined $10.9 million to $11.1 million in 1990 from $22 million in 1989.

In the fourth fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, consolidated sales and service revenues were $1.37 billion, up from $1.09 billion in the same period of 1989. The company had net earnings of $73.9 million, or $0.55 per share,

which compared to $67.9 million, or $0.50 per share (split basis), in the fourth quarter a year earlier.

John J. Murphy, chairman and president, said Dresser's improved 1990 earnings were "attributable primarily to the strong performance of the company's upstream (oilfield) product and service operations and the excellent results from the Dresser-Rand joint venture."

At the end of the fiscal year, Dresser's consolidated backlog of unshipped manufacturing orders was $2.61 billion, up from $2.59 billion a year earlier. In addition to the consolidated backlog, Dresser-Rand had a backlog of $898 million, which rose 23 percent from $732 million at Oct. 31, 1989.

In discussing Dresser's outlook, Murphy said, "The 1990's should prove to be a decade of very favorable opportunities for companies involved in supplying products and services for not only exploration, drilling, and production but the transmission, processing, and marketing of oil and gas after it is extracted from geological reservoirs."

Headquartered in Dallas, Dresser is a major supplier of highly engineered products and services primarily utilized in energy-related activities throughout the world.

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-30- 2532

#90354p5149 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TUCKER, GA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Video Display Corp. (NASDAQ: VIDE) today reported that third quarter and nine month financial results reflected the continued strength of the electronic replacement parts business.

Net sales for the nine months ended Nov. 30 were $41,441,000 vs. $41,358,000 for the same period a year ago. Net sales for the quarter were $13,782,000 vs. $14,550,000.

The spokesperson for the company indicated that the nine-month revenue results reflected even more significant gains since the previous year's nine months included non-recurring revenue from a foreign contract of $8,096,000.

The previous quarter ending Nov. 30, 1989, included $4,173,000 of the one-time contract revenue. Excluding non-recurring contracts, revenues from continuing operations showed an increase of 24 percent for the nine months ended Nov. 30, 1990, and 32 percent for the quarter.

Per-share earnings were $0.15 for the quarter ended Nov. 30 as compared to a loss of ($0.11) for the same quarter a year ago. Net earnings for the nine months were $1,724,000 compared to $978,000 for the nine-month period of the

previous year.

(All amounts in 000s except EPS)

3 mos. ended	11/30/90	11/30/89
Net sales from opers.	$13,783	$10,377
Non-recurring contract revenues	--	4,173
Net revenuess	13,783	14,550
Operating profit	1,437	1,112
Pre-tax earnings	987	(138)
Net income (loss)	549	(448)
EPS	0.15	(0.11)
Avg. O/S shares	4,192	4,099

9 mos. ended	11/30/90	11/30/89
Net sales from opers.	$41,441	$33,262
Non-recurring contract revenues	--	8,096
Net revenuess	41,441	41,358
Operating profit	3,905	4,378
Pre-tax earnings	2,781	2,304
Net income (loss)	1,724	978
EPS	0.44	0.24
Avg. O/S shares	4,194	4,101

CONTACT: Ron Ordway of Video Display, (404) 938-2080.

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#90354p5151 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLIFTON, NJ (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Vertex Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ: VETX) has been selected by the Bell Atlantic Company to provide a hardware/software solution to automate its pay phone coin collection operations in the Bell Atlantic region covering New Jersey south to Virginia.

Vertex will supply a significant number of portable data collection devices and intelligent bridge transaction processor configurations. The initial release is approximately $200,000 for the first phase with the total initial contract expected to be approximately $650,000.

Remote upload and download links will be handled automatically on a daily basis from multiple sites to a central VAX host within each state. Vertex support of Kermit file transfer protocols resident in the portables, the bridge transaction processor, and the VAX enable unattended automatic bi-directional communication with both redundancy and fall back capabilities. Vertex was selected on the merits of its Bridge Data Collection software in conjunction with the hardware solution offered. Bridge is currently being ported to UNIX System V Release 4.0 for future enhancement. Initial

deliveries to Bell Atlantic began in December 1990.

Vertex Industries, organized in 1974, manufactures complete data collection systems which include bar code scanners, portable and fixed data collection terminals, optical readers, label generators, transaction processors, multiplexers, and data collection software, used mainly in factories, warehouses, offices, hospitals and transportation. In addition to bar code products, Vertex is a major supplier of magnetic stripe technology. Vertex is a publicly held company.

CONTACT: James Q. Maloy, chairman and president of Vertex, 201-777-3500.

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#90354p5153 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

GERMANTOWN, MD (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Microlog Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MLOG) today announced reduced sales and a net loss for the fiscal year and quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. Revenues decreased 6 percent to $14.6 million for fiscal 1990 as compared with $15.5 million last year. The net loss for fiscal 1990 was $475,000, or a loss of 14 14 cents per share, as compared to net income of $1.1 million and 46 cents per share for fiscal 1989.

Revenues for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 represented a decrease of 43 percent to $3.3 million from $5.7 million for the corresponding quarter of fiscal 1989. During the fourth quarter, the company had a net loss of $564,102 as compared to net income of $974,940 in the fourth quarter of 1989, or a loss of 16 cents per share for the fourth quarter of 1990 versus earnings per share of 40 cents for the same quarter last year.

J. G. Hartwell, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Microlog, stated: "Microlog's results for the past fiscal year were considerably worse than anticipated. Microlog was not able to develop a national distribution network as planned, and sales to major customers were well below last year's levels. However, Microlog finally completed its acquisition of Genesis Electronics Corporation, a voice-mail company with an extensive distribution network including approximately five major distributors. Microlog believes that this distribution network provides significant potential for increasing revenues in the 1991 fiscal year."

As an indication of management's continued belief in Microlog's potential, Hartwell also announced today that Microlog plans to repurchase shares of its outstanding common stock from time to time over the next three months for an aggregate purchase price not to exceed $1 million.

Hartwell indicated that "the board of directors of the company has determined that Microlog's common stock is an attractive investment at the present time. The repurchase program will also increase earnings per share of the remaining shares.

"Shares would be purchased in unsolicited negotiated transactions and in the open market. No shares will be purchased from officers or directors of Microlog or from persons who hold in excess of 5 percent of its outstanding shares of common stock."

Microlog Corporation designs, assembles, markets and services voice processing systems and other communications products. Its new subsidiary, Genesis Electronics Corporation, produces voice mail systems for small and mid-sized businesses. Through its subsidiaries, Old Dominion Services, Inc. and Old Dominion Systems Incorporated of Maryland, it also provides performance analysis and technical and administrative support services under contracts with government and commercial customers.

MICROLOG CORPORATION
Operating Results
For the Year Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
Revenues	$14,610,585	$15,513,090
Income from Operations (Loss)	(1,356,818)	1,671,888
Net Income (Loss)	(475,334)	1,112,681
Earnings Per Share	$(.14)	$.46
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	3,323,296	2,420,379

Operating Results
For the Fourth Quarter Ended Oct. 31,

	1990	1989
Revenues	$3,289,569	$5,725,308
Income from Operations (Loss)	(1,110,114)	1,403,706
Net Income (Loss)	(564,102)	974,940
Earnings Per Share	$(.16)	$.40
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	3,430,935	2,422,837

CONTACT: Ray Jicka, Investor Relations Associates, 301-356-8815, or Joe Lynn, president, Microlog Corporation, 301-428-9100.

-30- 4273
#90354p5156 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLENTOWN, Pa. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - E. Allen Deaver of Armstrong World Industries Inc., Lancaster, Pa., and Dr. Stuart Heydt of the Geisinger Foundation, Danville, Pa., today were elected directors of Pennsylvania Power & Light Co., effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Deaver is an executive vice president, a member of the President's Office, and a member of the board of directors of Armstrong World Industries, manufacturer of interior furnishings and specialty products.

A native of Knoxville, Tenn., a graduate of the University of Tennessee and a former Army officer, Deaver began his Armstrong career in 1960. He progressed through a number of engineering and plant management assignments before being named group vice president for Corporate Technology and New Business Development in 1983. He was named an executive vice president in 1988.

Heydt is president and chief operating officer of the Geisinger Foundation, parent company of the Geisinger Health Care System, which includes the Geisinger Clinic, the Geisinger Medical Center, the Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center and the Geisinger Health Plan.

Heydt, a native of Montclair, N.J., attended Dartmouth College, Fairleigh Dickinson University and the University of Nebraska. He is a physician specializing in maxillofacial surgery.

He joined the Geisinger Medical Center in 1973 and progressed through a number of executive positions in the Geisinger organization; being named president and chief executive officer of the Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center in 1982, executive vice president of the Geisinger Foundation in June 1989, president and chief executive officer of the Geisinger Medical Center in May 1990, and, most recently, president and chief operating officer of the Geisinger Foundation in December 1990.

PP&L supplies electric service to a 10,000-square-mile area of 29 counties of Central Eastern Pennsylvania. Among the communities it serves are Allentown, Bethlehem, Harrisburg, Hazleton, Lancaster, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and Williamsport.

CONTACT: H. James Marsh of Pennsylvania Power & Light, 215-774-5241

-30- 2315

#90354p5158 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HARTFORD, CT (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - A clock running continuously would take more than 50,000 years to tick away a half-billion hours.

By comparison, it has taken just 27 years for Pratt & Whitney's current fleet of 18,000 commercial turbofan engines to surpass the half-billion hour mark. The unprecedented industry milestone was achieved in November, according to recently compiled company data.

The record number is a tally of the flight hours accumulated in airline revenue service by the company's mainline commercial turbofan engines -- the JT8D, JT9D, PW2000 and PW4000.

Since the beginning of the commercial jet age, Pratt & Whitney has shipped nearly 27,000 engines (all models) to some 370 customers around the world --

more than its competitors combined.

Pratt & Whitney engines currently power a fleet of 5,250 commercial aircraft, or 68 percent of all jet transports operated by major U.S. and international carriers. It is estimated that every three seconds a Pratt & Whitney-powered aircraft takes off somewhere in the world.

Pratt & Whitney is a unit of United Technologies Corporation (NYSE: UTX) of Hartford, Conn.

CONTACT: David Long of Pratt & Whitney, 203-565-1292.

-30- 1397

#90354p5159 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRVIEW, NJ (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - American Design Corp (NASDAQ: AMDC) today reported net sales for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 of $1,858,000 and $3,311,000 for the six-month period as compared to $2,084,000 and $3,890,000 for similar periods in the prior year. The company's loss for the second quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 was $66,000 or $.03 per share and $172,000 or $.08 per share for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1990 as compared to $74,000 profit or $.05 per share for the second quarter or last year, and earnings of $13,000 or $.01 per share for the six months ended Oct. 31, 1989.

The company is a New Jersey-based distributor of other entities' excess and obsolete inventories of electronic and electromechanical components.

CONTACT: Allan Berkun, president of American Design, 201-941-5000.

-30- 985

#90354p5160 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DEERFIELD, IL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Deerfield Federal Savings and Loan Association (NASDAQ: DEER) today declared a $.20 per share cash regular quarterly dividend and a $.30 per share cash special dividend, payable Jan. 14 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 7, 1991.

CONTACT: David Mullins or Jane Brenner of Deerfield Federal, 708-945-2550.

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#90354p5161 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRVIEW, NJ (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - American Design Corp. (NASDAQ: AMDC) announced today that an agreement has been entered as of Nov. 1, 1990, under which American Design would acquire all of the assets, properties, business, and goodwill of the Mauro Group Inc., of Essex, Mass., doing business as Industrial Electrosurplus.

The purchase price is to be determined based upon future profitability of the business over a five year period, but shall not exceed $400,000, payable only in common stock of American Design, to be valued during the earn-out period, but not more than 200,000 shares of American Design common stock may be earned and issued.

In addition, American Design assumed liabilities of the acquired company in the amount of approximately $169,000. The transaction is scheduled to close Dec. 20, 1990. American Design will enter into employment agreements with the key personnel of the acquired business who will continue to run the business as a new subsidiary of American Design Corp.

Industrial Electrosurplus is a distributor of excess and obsolete inventories, specializing in computers and peripherals.

CONTACT: Allan Berkun, president of American Design, 201-941-5000.

-30- 1376

#90354p5162 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Knight-Ridder, Inc. (NYSE: KRI) today declared a dividend on outstanding common stock of $.35 per share, an increase from the $.33 per share dividend the company has paid in recent quarters. The dividend is payable Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business Jan. 7, 1991.

The board set April 30, 1991, as the date of the annual meeting to be held in Miami, Fla. All shareholders of record at the close of business on March 6, 1991, will be entitled to receive notice of and to vote at that meeting.

CONTACT: Frank N. Hawkins Jr. of Knight-Ridder, Inc., 305-376-3838

-30- 821

#90354p5163 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CORPUS CHRISTI, TX (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Hitox Corporation of America (NASDAQ-NMS: HTXA), producer of buff-colored titanium dioxide pigment used in the manufacture of paints, industrial coatings and plastics, has received required government operating permits at its newly refurbished synthetic rutile plant in Malaysia and is expected to begin commercial operation on or about Dec. 26, 1990, Richard L. Bowers, chairman and president, announced today.

According to Bowers, initial production from the Malaysian operation will be shipped to the company's plant in Corpus Christi as raw material for the company's core HITOX pigment.

"While we expect the facility to have some normal start-up problems,

acceptable levels of production are anticipated within the first two to three months. It should reach its design capacity of 50,000 tons per year in approximately 12 months. When fully operational, output from the Malaysian plant will virtually eliminate outside sourcing and materially reduce our raw material costs," Bowers said.

Based in Corpus Christi, Hitox Corporation manufactures pigments and extenders which are marketed worldwide to paint, plastics and chemical industries.

CONTACT: Richard L. Bowers, president and chief executive officer of Hitox, 512-882-5175.

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#90354p5171 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - First Bank System, Inc. (NYSE: FBS) today announced that James L. Reissner, market director in charge of the company's banks in outstate Minnesota, has elected to take early retirement effective Dec. 31, 1990.

"I've had a number of challenging and rewarding positions at First Bank over the past 26 years," Reissner reflected, "not the least of which has been my most recent job working with the outstate Minnesota banks. The bankers at these locations have turned in a banner performance for the last two years and I'm proud to have been part of their success."

Reissner, 50, joined First Bank in 1964 as a commercial banking trainee. In 1970 he was appointed vice president and manager of commercial loans for contractors and manufacturers. In 1979 he was promoted to senior vice president of Midwest corporate banking, a position he held until 1982 when he was named senior vice president of retail/metropolitan banking. Reissner was appointed managing director for the Minneapolis/St. Paul area First Banks in 1984 and in 1987 assumed responsibility for small business banking, sales finance and student loans. He held a position in the company's credit services area prior to being named market director of the Minnesota region in 1989.

"Jim has made significant contributions in all of the positions he has held with FBS," said William W. Str3/82Ed, general manager of the Regional Banking Group. "He is a banking veteran who has had a positive influence in implementing and managing change at FBS."

No successor to Reissner has been named at this time.

CONTACT: Wendy Raway of First Bank System, 612-370-5154

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#90354p5173 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
VALLEY FORGE, PA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the following members of The Vanguard Group of Investment Companies today declared the following distributions:

Vanguard Pennsylvania Tax-Free Fund/Insured Long-Term Portfolio -- a distribution from realized long-term capital gains of $0.00568 (approximately 3/5 of one cent) per share, payable on Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 20.

Vanguard New Jersey Tax-Free Fund/Insured Long-Term Portfolio -- a distribution from realized long-term capital gains of $0.00515 (approximately 1/2 cent) per share, payable on Dec. 31, 1990, to shareholders of record on Dec. 20.

CONTACT: Richard F. Hyland, treasurer of The Vanguard Group, 215-648-6310.

-30- 901
#90354p5179 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHICAGO (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Whitman Corp. (NYSE: WH) announced today that it plans to move its headquarters employees to Rolling Meadows, Ill., in the third quarter of 1991. Whitman's headquarters staff, numbering fewer than 40 will occupy space in an office complex currently used by Pepsi-Cola General Bottlers, a Whitman company.

The move to Rolling Meadows allows the company to gain cost savings which are part of a corporate-wide profit improvement program.

Whitman Corp., whose other operating companies are Pet Incorporated, Midas International, and Hussmann Corp., has occupied space in One Illinois Center in downtown Chicago since 1973. Midas International, which is headquartered in the Boulevard Towers Building in Illinois Center, will continue to occupy its present 83,000-square-foot space.

CONTACT: Whitman corporate communications, 312-565-3000

-30- 1055
#90354p5184 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
FREMONT, CA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Sunrise Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: SNRS) today announced that they have received clearance from the United States Food and Drug Administration to market the Model gLase 210 Holmium laser system for use in treatment of glaucoma.

Glaucoma is one of the leading causes of blindness in the United States and the world. It is fairly common in adults over 35, and the incidence of glaucoma increases with age. Two out of every 100 adults over 35 have vision

threatened by this disease.

Glaucoma results when the fluids normally produced by the eye do not drain through the eye's normal drainage system. When this happens, the pressure inside the eye can increase to abnormally high levels, a condition identified as glaucoma. This increased pressure inside the eye can lead to damage of the optic nerve, which takes visual signals to the brain, and can eventually result in blindness.

Glaucoma is usually controlled with eye drops given two to four times a day, or by pills given in various combinations. If these medications are poorly tolerated or not effective in controlling the disease, surgery becomes necessary.

Several surgical procedures are used in treating glaucoma. An example is a filtering procedure whereby a permanent drainage duct is created in order to relieve the pressure in the eye. A laser procedure called trabeculoplasty has been used since the early 1980s. However, studies conducted in 1987 and reported in "Ophthalmology" and other sources have shown that this procedure fails in a high percentage of cases after three to five years.

According to Arthur Vassiliadis, chairman and chief executive officer of Sunrise Technologies, "This approach taken with the new Sunrise Holmium laser system is very different from existing laser and other surgical procedures and was developed to replace conventional, full surgical approaches done in the operating room with a procedure that can be done in an office, outpatient basis." The gLase 210 emits radiation that is highly absorbed by water and, with the use of a special probe, makes a small hole in the sclera to provide drainage."

The Sunrise Holmium system makes use of a Thulmium Holmium Chromium:Yttrium Aluminum Garnet (THC:YAG) crystal, whose active element is Holmium and emits radiation at about 2.1 micrometers. The system was specifically designed to perform a sclerostomy, or filtering procedure, a procedure that can be used to lower the intraocular pressure in the eye.

The system wavelength, delivery system, surgical approach, and other parameters were selected in order to optimize the application of the system to perform surgery that is minimally traumatic to the eye. For this reason, the procedure can be performed on an office outpatient basis, instead of in the operating room, as current conventional surgery requires. Many patients in the clinical study were treated in an office setting.

Earlier this year, Sunrise Technologies, Inc. received FDA clearance to market its dLase 300 dental laser, a system that is currently being used for soft tissue surgery in the mouth. The company designs, manufactures and markets laser systems and products for use in a variety of dental and medical applications.

CONTACT: Paul Brickman or Nancy H. Stratton of Martin E. Janis & Company, 312-943-1100, for Sunrise Technologies.

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#90354p5185 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HERZLIA, ISRAEL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Scitex Corporation Ltd. (NASDAQ: SCIXF) announced today the acquisition of Unda Oy, a company based in Helsinki Finland. Unda develops and markets a line of text and color graphics pre-press systems, running on Sun workstations. Over 120 such workstations have been installed worldwide, primarily in Europe. The acquisition price is under U.S.$4 million.

"Unda is an important addition to Scitex," said Arie Rosenfeld, president and CEO of Scitex. "The company's experience in PostScript(R) color systems and its proven skills in integrating text and graphics, position Unda as a strong vendor to the emerging mid-range color market. Unda will provide Scitex additional development capacity for PostScript(R) color products. The acquisition will also allow the integration of Scitex PostScript(R) scanners, proofers and Imagesetters with Unda workstations."

Unda will benefit from Scitex distribution and customer support network worldwide which has been expanded recently in America and Europe to also serve the color PostScript(R) market.

The Unda acquisition is another step in Scitex's strategy to maintain leadership in the high-end professional segment of color pore- press market while expanding into new growth opportunities in the mid- range color PostScript(R) markets.

"The marketplace has high regard for the pioneering work done in Unda under the technology leadership of Professor E. Byckling, the founder of Unda," said Rosenfeld. Professor Byckling has in the past assisted Scitex in the development of the Raystar(TM) flatbed imagesetter.

Unda is managed by Reijo Maihaniemi, an executive with many years of experience in international business at Nokia, Finland's largest electronics enterprise.

"Through internal resources and acquisitions, Scitex has become the worldwide vendor of choice for the full spectrum of pre-press applications, from design to production," concluded Rosenfeld.

Scitex Corporation Ltd. designs, develops, manufactures, markets and services interactive computer imaging systems used primarily in the color printing and publishing industries. Scitex operates through marketing, sales and service subsidiaries in North America, Europe and Japan. Scitex systems are sold and

serviced in other areas through regional distributors.

CONTACT: Scitex corporate communications, 052-529222; or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Scitex.

-30- 2652

#90354p5187 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Powell Industries, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: POWL) announced today that its fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990 was a record year for both revenues and earnings. Revenues for 1990 were a record for the third consecutive year. For the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990, revenues were $131 million, a 35 percent increase over the $97 million in 1989.

Net earnings increased to $7 million or $.68 per share in 1990, from $2 million or $.21 per share in 1989, an increase of 250 percent.

Backlog at Oct. 31, 1990 was also a record at $101 million, an increase of 51 percent from the $67 million backlog of orders at Oct. 31, 1989.

Revenues in the fourth quarter of 1990 were $32 million, approximately $200,000 more than the fourth quarter of 1989. Net earnings in the fourth quarter of 1990 were $2.2 million or $.22 per share, versus $1.4 million or $.14 per share in the fourth quarter of 1989, an increase of 57 percent.

Thos. W. Powell, president and chairman of the board of Powell Industries, Inc. stated: "1990 was an outstanding year for almost every unit of our company. The only disappointment was at our U.S. Turbine subsidiary, which improved its performance in revenues and margins in 1990, but remained unprofitable. With our record backlog as we begin fiscal 1991, we are optimistic the coming year will be another record year with increasing revenues and earnings despite the reported economic slowdown in some sections of the United States."

Powell Industries, Inc. designs, manufactures and packages electrical generation, control and distribution equipment.

CONTACT: J. F. Ahart of Powell Industries, 713-947-4422.

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#90354p5189 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The May Department Stores Company (NYSE: MA) today named Roy R. Paulson chairman of its Thalhimers department store division headquartered in Richmond, Va., and Clarence O. "Bud" Reynolds chairman of its L.S. Ayres department store division in Indianapolis.

Robert J. Rieland and Anthony J. Torcasio continue as president and chief

executive officer of Thalhimers and L.S. Ayres, respectively. Paulson, currently chairman of L.S. Ayres, succeeds William B. Thalhimer Jr., who previously announced his decision to retire. Reynolds, currently senior vice president, operations, for the company's Foley's division in Houston, succeeds Paulson. Both appointments are effective immediately.

In making the Thalhimers announcement, May Vice Chairman Lawrence E. Honig said, "We are very pleased that Roy will be joining Thalhimers. He is a veteran of 43 years in retailing, 18 of those with May Company, including the chairmanship of three May divisions. Roy brings to Thalhimers a broad range of skills and tremendous experience."

In making the L.S. Ayres announcement, May Vice Chairman Richard L. Battram said, "We are delighted to have a person of Bud Reynolds' experience and tenure join L.S. Ayres as chairman. He has been a career employee with May Company for 21 years and has accumulated valuable experience in both operations and merchandising. Bud is an outstanding businessman and a superb leader."

Paulson joined May Company in 1972 as vice president, operations, for May D&F in Denver. In 1974, he joined May Company's corporate office in St. Louis in the same position and in 1975 he was named executive vice president, operations and personnel. Paulson was named president and chief executive officer of Eagle Stamp Company in St. Louis in 1978, and he assumed the chairmanship of May Cohens in Jacksonville, Fla., in 1985. He was named chairman of O'Neil's in Akron, Ohio, in 1986 and chairman of L.S. Ayres earlier this year.

Paulson graduated from Miami Jacobs College, Dayton, Ohio, in 1951. He and his wife, the former Jane Haines, are natives of Dayton and they have two children.

Reynolds joined May Company's Foley's division in 1969 as an assistant buyer. He served in several operations and merchandising positions, including buyer, director of sales and store manager, and was named operating vice president of Foley's distribution center in 1983. Reynolds was named senior vice president, operations, in 1987.

A native of Houston, Reynolds received a B.A. degree in history from Harvard University in 1964. He is married to the former Susan Keith of Melrose, Mass. and they have two children.

The May Department Stores Company, headquartered in St. Louis, is one of the largest retailers in the United States, operating 329 department stores and 2,898 Payless ShoeSource stores in 47 states and the District of Columbia.

CONTACT: Jim Abrams of May Department Stores, 314-342-6343.

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#90354p5191 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
BASKING RIDGE, NJ (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Crum and Forster, Inc., the New Jersey-based insurance holding company, today announced that NAVCO Corp. has been sold to Motors Insurance Corporation, a subsidiary of General Motors Acceptance Corporation.

The sale follows the signing of a definitive agreement announced last October. The purchase price was approximately $250 million.

NAVCO, headquartered in St. Louis, provides personal automobile insurance primarily to members of associations through its wholly owned subsidiaries, National General Insurance Company and National General Assurance Company.

Crum and Forster, Inc. is a Xerox Financial Services company.

CONTACT: Joan Bianco of Crum and Forster, 201-204-3863.

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#90354p5193 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
NAPERVILLE, ILL. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Nalco Chemical Company (Nalco) (NYSE: NLC) and Imperial Chemical Industries, PLC (ICI) today announced that they have reached an agreement in principle for the purchase by Nalco of ICI's interests in three joint ventures, Alchem, Catoleum and Nalfloc and their subsidiaries. These three joint ventures are based in Canada, Australia, and the United Kingdom respectively. The purchase price is US$168 million, in cash.

As a result of the proposed transaction, Nalco would increase its equity ownership from 49 percent to 100 percent in each joint venture. The proposed transaction is subject to regulatory approvals and the parties have targeted a closing in the first quarter of 1991.

The joint ventures have aggregate annual sales of approximately $185 million and manufacture, sell and service specialty chemical products used in water and waste treatment, pollution control, process applications, and oil production and refining.

CONTACT: Charles A. Goding of Nalco Chemical, 708-305-1276

-30- 1226
#90354p5194 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
MILWAUKEE (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Harley-Davidson Inc. (NYSE: HDI) announced that William F. Andrews, 59, president and chief executive officer of Chicago-based UNR Industries Inc., was elected to its board of directors, effective immediately. The board now has eight members.

Prior to joining UNR Industries earlier this year, Andrews was chairman, president and chief executive officer of SSMC Inc., of Shelton, Conn. Earlier, he held the same titles at Scovill Inc. of Waterbury, Conn. In addition to Harley-Davidson, Andrews is on the board of directors of Navistar, Southern New England Telephone Co., and Corrections Corporation of America.

Harley-Davidson Inc., the only American-based motorcycle manufacturer, produces heavyweight motorcycles and a complete line of motorcycle parts and accessories. Its Holiday Rambler subsidiary is a leading manufacturer of premium recreational vehicles, specialized commercial vehicles and a diverse range of related products. Harley- Davidson Inc. is also a manufacturing contractor for a variety of industries, including the U.S. Department of Defense.

CONTACT: Ken Schmidt of Harley-Davidson Inc., 414-935-4538

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#90354p5195 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Motors Insurance Corporation (MIC), a subsidiary of General Motors Acceptance Corporation, announced today it has purchased NAVCO Corp., an insurance holding company subsidiary of Crum and Forster, Inc., a Xerox Financial Services company. The purchase price of NAVCO, which specializes in personal lines insurance, is approximately $250 million.

Joseph J. Pero, president of MIC, stated that the melding of NAVCO's direct response distribution system into MIC offers significant potential for growth in premiums and profitability.

CONTACT: John S. Andrews of General Motors Acceptance Corporation, 313-556-1022

-30- 806
#90354p5197 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Chambers Development Company Inc. (AMEX: CDVB) announced today the private placement by Kidder, Peabody Company Inc. of $192 million in unsecured senior notes at 10.45 percent interest.

The notes are due Dec. 30, 2000. John Rangos Sr., Chambers president and CEO, said that today's private placement of senior unsecured notes is "an important step in the progressive financial planning of the company and significant step in the financial history of Chambers. It represents a new height for the company and another building block in Chambers' growth.

"This will help us in our objective of completing by the close of 1991 the construction of additional double-lined landfills and will make us second to

none in double-lined capacity," Rangos said, adding that the placment of these notes exhibits a tremendous amount of confidence by the lenders in Chambers Development. Some facts about Chambers Development Company:

-- Since 1980, the company's net sales have increased from $4.3 million to an annualized $250 million.

-- Since 1985, the company's landfills and landfill sites have increased from 3 to 18 in 1990 with operations in 21 states.

-- Since 1985, the company's market value has increased from $42 million to $1.1 billion.

-- Chambers' Standard & Poor's rating has steadily improved during the past five years from no rating in 1985 to a Double B plus for subordinated debt in 1990. Its senior debt has steadily improved from no rating in 1985 to Triple B minus in 1990.

-- Chambers has more than 6,000 acres of permitted capacity at its landfill sites.

-- The company pioneered environmental security and the use of liner systems and leachate treatment facilities at its landfills long before they were mandated by law.

-- The company has never had any groundwater contamination at any of its landfills nationwide.

Chambers Development Company, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is one of the fastest growing U.S. companies with rankings on the Forbes list of the 200 Best Small Companies in America and on the Business Week Top 1000 U.S. Companies. Chambers is a leading environmental firm offering services in recycling, collection, hauling, disposal and landfill development.

The company also provides security through its wholly owned subsidiary, Security Bureau Inc., the 12th largest U.S. security firm.

CONTACT: Jim Leonard of Chambers Development Company Inc., 412-244-7560

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HAMMOND, IND. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of NIPSCO Industries, Inc., (NYSE: NI) announced today an increase in the next common stock quarterly dividend payment to 29 cents per share or $1.16 on an annual basis. The common dividend was 26 cents per share for the previous four quarters or $1.04 on an annual basis.

The dividend will be payable Feb. 20, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 31, 1991.

The board attributed the dividend increase to improvement in the company's financial health.

NIPSCO Industries, Inc. is an energy based holding company whose primary subsidiary is Northern Indiana Public Service Company, the state's largest natural gas and electric utility.

CONTACT: Jon C. Lyons of NIPSCO Industries Inc., 219-853-5788

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#90354p5199 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Mine Safety Appliances Co. (NASDAQ: MNES) has elected Helen Lee Henderson to complete the term of director Benson G. Henderson, who has retired effective Dec. 31, it was announced today.

The term continues until the company's 1992 annual meeting of shareholders.

The board also elected Benson G. Henderson director emeritus.

CONTACT: Thomas D. Cunningham of Ketchum Public Relations, 412-456-3866, for Mine Safety Appliances Co.

-30- 658

#90354p5201 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BERKELEY, CA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - XOMA Corp. (NASDAQ: XOMA) today filed with the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) in Washington, D.C., a complaint against Centocor Inc., Centocor Partners II, L.P., and Centocor, B.V. (Centocor), asking the ITC to commence an investigation under Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 relating to Centocor's importation of its anti-endotoxin monoclonal antibody, known as Centoxin, used in the treatment of gram-negative sepsis and/or septic shock in humans.

The complaint alleges that Centocor's importation and distribution of Centoxin for use in the method of treating gram-negative sepsis and/or septic shock covered by U.S. Patent No. 4,918,163 constitutes acts of unfair competition in violation of Section 337. XOMA seeks an exclusion order from the ITC preventing the importation by Centocor of their monoclonal antibodies.

XOMA filed a Product License Application for its anti-endotoxin monoclonal antibody, E5(R), with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in March 1989. Following FDA approval, E5 will be marketed in the United States by the Roerig Division of Pfizer Inc.

XOMA is a leading biotechnology company in the development of therapeutic monoclonal antibody-based products. In addition to its application for FDA approval to market E5, XOMA has applied for FDA approval to market CD5 Plus(TM) for the treatment of graft-versus-host disease in bone marrow transplantation.

CONTACT: Carol D. DeGuzman of Xoma Corp., 415-644-1170.

-30- 1670

#90354p5202 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron Corporation today announced it expects to take a special charge of approximately $220 million (after taxes) against its fourth quarter 1990 earnings associated with the planned disposal of its fertilizer operations.

The company had previously announced its intention to sell its fertilizer operations.

CONTACT: Larry Shushan of Chevron, 415-894-2978.

-30- 564

#90354p5206 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Prime Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: PSAB), the holding company of Prime Savings Bank fsb, has declared a 16 cents per share cash dividend representing an increase of 14.3 percent from the 14 cents paid in the last quarter.

The dividend of 16 cents a share will be payable on Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 2. This dividend increase represents the third increase and the eighth consecutive dividend since the company's inception.

At Sept. 30, 1990, assets totaled $336,490,000, deposits were $276,310,000 and shareholders' equity rose to $37,677,000. Currently, there are 1,313,768 shares of common stock outstanding for a book value of $28.68 per share.

Prime Bancorp Inc.'s common stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System. Its price at the close of business yesterday was $9.13.

Prime Bancorp Inc. is headquartered in Philadelphia. Prime Savings Bank fsb is a federally chartered savings bank, which is insured by the Savings Association Insurance Fund (SAIF), which is administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC). The bank conducts operations in Philadelphia, Bucks and Montgomery counties through nine full-service offices.

CONTACT: Erwin T. Straw of Prime Bancorp, 215-742-5300.

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#90354p5207 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Steven C. Mason, president and chief operating officer of Mead Corp. (NYSE: MEA), today was elected to the board of directors of PPG Industries (NYSE: PPG), the company announced.

Mason, president and a director of Mead since 1982, joined Mead in 1957. He held engineering and production assignments at paper mills in Ohio and Tennessee, was general manager of Schoeller Technical Papers, and then was marketing vice president of Mead's specialty paper business.

In 1973 he became director of Mead Central Research Laboratories. He subsequently joined the Paperboard group, where he rose to group vice president. In 1980 he was elected group vice president, paper, and he became senior vice president, operations, in 1981.

Mason received a mechanical engineering degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and completed the management development program at the Harvard University School of Business. He is a director of Duriron Co. and a trustee of the Institute of Paper Science and Technology.

PPG is a global producer of flat glass, fiber glass, coatings and chemicals. Its sales in 1989 were $5.7 billion.

CONTACT: Arthur J. Marino Jr. of PPG, 412-434-3011

-30- 1389
#90354p5209 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Stephen F. Anfang, a long term stockholder in Benihana National Corp., said today in a letter to Rocky H. Aoki, chairman of the board of Benihana National Corp. (NASDAQ: BNHN), which was read today at the company's annual stockholders' meeting in Miami, that "the company should have its own management and its own staff and their interests should be solely that of the company and not of Benihana of Tokyo, Inc. ("BOT") or any other person." The shares of BOT are subject to a voting trust agreement under which Aoki, his mother and the corporate secretary/general counsel of Benihana National Corp. serve as trustees. Anfang also stated that "unless management is immediately restructured and the relationship with BOT eliminated, the company should be sold."

In the letter, which Anfang distributed as a news release, Anfang said he was greatly concerned that "the company's stock price had deteriorated to its current price of less than $1.00." He went on to say that he looks to "management and the management structure it adheres to as bearing the ultimate responsibility for the company's continuing poor performance."

Anfang also wrote that he believes "the Company has undervalued and underutilized assets, including real estate and an internationally recognized 'franchise' name." He stated that "the company is similar to Restaurant Associates Industries, which was once public, taken private by management and then resold again."

Anfang did not disclose his stake in Benihana National Corp. The text of Anfang's letter follows: "We have communicated previously concerning my disappointment as a long term stockholder with the company's performance. The company's stock price has also deteriorated to its current price of less than $1.00. As you know, I and, I believe, other unaffiliated stockholders look to management and the management structure it adheres to as bearing the ultimate responsibility for the company's continuing poor performance.

"I believe the company has undervalued and underutilized assets, including real estate and an internationally recognized 'franchise' name. I view this company as being similar to Restaurant Associates Industries, which was once public, taken private by management and then resold again.

"The company should have its own management and its own staff and their interests should be solely that of the company and not of Benihana of Tokyo, Inc. ('BOT') or any other person. Unless management is immediately restructured and the relationship with BOT eliminated, the company should be sold."

CONTACT: Florence Quinn of Quinn & Co., 212-366-1900, for Stephen Anfang.

-30- 2881

#90354p5211 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Ares-Serono Group today announced the appointments of Thomas G. Wiggans as managing director of Serono Laboratories, Ltd., Welwyn Garden, United Kingdom, and Jules Musing, who will succeed Wiggans as president of Serono Laboratories Inc., Norwell, Mass. Wiggans' nomination will be effective Jan. 14, 1991, and Musing's on Jan. 7, 1991.

Commenting on these appointments, Fabio Bertarelli, CEO of the Ares-Serono Group, declared, "Thanks to Tom Wiggans' outstanding leadership, Serono Laboratories has been one of the most rapidly growing pharmaceutical companies in the U.S. We are asking Wiggans to repeat his success by building our U.K. organization into a major pharmaceutical company. His depth of experience in the areas of marketing and regulatory affairs will be critical as we move into the open market environment of Europe '92."

Bertarelli further explained, "We believe that Jules Musing and Serono's management will continue Serono Laboratories' growth. Given the globalization of the pharmaceutical industry, we find it critical to have executives with

experience in a variety of markets."

Wiggans joined Serono Laboratories in 1980 when the U.S. subsidiary had revenues of under $1 million. Revenues for the subsidiary in 1990 are expected to exceed $100 million. He holds a masters degree in business from Southern Methodist University and a degree in Pharmacy from Kansas University.

Musing, who will head Ares-Serono's second-largest subsidiary, joined the Group in May 1990 as vice president of acquisitions. For the past 14 years, he held various executive positions at Janssen Pharmaceutica, a division of Johnson & Johnson, including that of vice president of worldwide marketing, president of the animal health company in the United States and, most recently managing director for Portugal. Musing holds an undergraduate degree in biology from the University of Antwerp, Belgium, and a masters degree in commercial and financial sciences.

Ares-Serono Inc. is part of The Ares-Serono Group, a leading multinational developer and marketer of pharmaceutical and diagnostic products with executive headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland and operating headquarters in Boston. Shares of Ares-Serono S.A., the parent company of the group, are traded on the major Swiss stock exchanges.

CONTACT: Jack L. Barlow of Ares-Serono, 617-723-1300.

-30- 2604

#90354p5212 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Geotek Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: GOTK) today announced an agreement in principle, subject to the execution of a definitive agreement, to acquire approximately 4 million shares of common stock of Bogen Corp. (NASDAQ: BOGN) from three individuals and members of their families representing approximately 40 percent of the outstanding stock.

Geotek presently owns approximately 20 percent of the outstanding stock of Bogen Corp.

Under the terms of the purchase agreement, Geotek will pay $1.75 million cash to the sellers and has agreed to guaranty certain obligations of Bogen to the three individuals related to management contracts with the three individuals totalling approximately $1.75 million.

The consummation of the transaction is subject to the approval of both companys' boards of directors.

Bogen Corp., established in 1935 and headquartered in Ramsey, N.J., is a manufacturer of electronic paging and communications systems. It markets its products to institutional customers including schools, hospitals, correctional facilities and other similar institutions, telephone companies and system and

sound contractors.

Yaron Eitan, president of Geotek, said that upon conclusion of the acquisition Bogen will become the flagship company of Geotek's Communication and Power Group. "Bogen enjoys excellent name recognition in its markets. The addition of Bogen will aid in bringing Geotek's commercial product lines closer to the end user," he said.

Geotek manufactures a variety of products for the computer and telecommunication industries including high quality transformers and power supplies. The company also manufactures sophisticated electronic fuses for munitions and other mechanical defense articles.

CONTACT: Yaron Eitan, president and CEO, or Yoram Bibring, CFO, or Jerrold Levy, treasurer, of Geotek Industries, 215-563-0310, or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Geotek.

-30- 2186

#90354p5215 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Options on two New York Stock Exchange-listed stocks and one over-the-counter stock will begin trading today at the NYSE.

The new options contracts on NYSE-listed stocks are British Steel PLC (BST) and Neiman-Marcus Group Inc. (NMG). The option on the O-T-C stock is Groundwater Technology Inc. (GWQ).

The addition of the three contracts brings to a total of 63 the number of options offered by the NYSE on securities listed on the NYSE, American Stock Exchange and O-T-C. In addition, the NYSE trades options on the NYSE Composite Index (NYA).

Equity options at the NYSE trade on the accelerated expiration pilot program, under which there are two near-month options trading at all times, along with two out-month options trading on the established quarterly cycle.

An options contract gives an investor the right to buy or sell 100 shares of stock at a certain prices within a specified period.

-0- 12/20/90 /CONTACT: Sharon Gamsin, 212-656-8222, or Catherine Maroney, 212-656-8685, both of the NYSE/ CO: The New York Stock Exchange ST: New York IN: SU:

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#90354p5216 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NAPERVILLE, IL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Nalco

Chemical Company (NYSE: NLC) declared a regular quarterly dividend of 40 cents a share, payable March 8, 1991, to shareholders of record Feb. 20, 1991.

CONTACT: Charles A. Goding of Nalco Chemical, 708-305-1276.

-30- 438

#90354p5218 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFAX, VA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Mobil Petroleum Company Inc., a subsidiary of Mobil Oil Corporation (NYSE: MOB), has sold its 60 percent interest in P.T. Berau Coal to P. T. United Tractors, an Indonesian company, for $9.8 million. P. T. Berau has large undeveloped coal holdings in East Kalimantan, Indonesia. The Japanese trading company, Nissho Iwai Corporation, owns the other 40 percent.

Mobil said the sale fits its strategy to concentrate resources overseas in oil and gas. The company said its domestic coal operations would not be affected.

Mobil Coal has a large surface mine in Wyoming's Powder River Basin. The mine last year produced a record eight million tons of low-sulfur coal to utilities throughout the country.

CONTACT: John Lord of Mobil, 703-846-2500

-30- 957

#90354p5219 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Nat Conti, president of Conti Construction Co., Inc. and Kurt G. Conti, president of Conti Environmental, Inc. of South Plainfield today announced that John V. Czapor, director of the division of Solid Waste Management of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) will be joining Conti Environmental as director of Environmental Affairs.

Conti, in making the announcement, said, "We are pleased to have someone of Czapor's talent and reputation joining our firm. He will add a great deal of energy, enthusiasm and knowledge to our professional staff as we continue to expand our environmental construction services."

Czapor in commenting on his appointment, said, "I am thrilled at the opportunity to work with a firm with as strong a record in environmental mitigation as Conti Environmental. I look forward to helping Conti Environmental expand its efforts in cleaning up hazardous waste sites in the region."

In his new capacity, Czapor will be responsible for providing technical environmental construction consultation to clients and for assisting the firm's field engineering and construction departments.

Czapor has been the director of the NJDEP division of Solid Waste since 1988, and during that time served nine months as the Acting Assistant Commissioner for Environmental Management and Control for the NJDEP.

Prior to joining the NJDEP, Czapor served in a variety of roles at the New York regional office of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, from 1976-1988. His roles included work in enforcement, hazardous waste cleanup and policy planning and management.

Conti Environmental, Inc. is one of a family of Conti companies. Conti Construction is one of New Jersey's oldest and most prestigious heavy civil construction companies. Conti Environmental is engaged in the business of providing for remedial action and cleanup activities at hazardous waste sites in the region. Since 1980 Conti has completed over $150,000,000 worth of environmental construction projects throughout the area.

Czapor is a graduate of Rutgers University with a bachelor of science degree in environmental science (1974), a master of science in environmental science (1978), and a master of business administration (1990). He lives in Manalapan with his wife Cindy, and their two children, Jeffrey (3 years) and Laura (1 Year).

CONTACT: Kurt G. Conti of Conti Environmental, 908-561-9025

-30- 2682

#90354p5220 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Amoco Egypt Oil Company today announced it is producing some 9,500 barrels of oil per day from a new discovery well recently completed in the Gulf of Suez.

The GS-172-2 well was drilled from the October "J" platform, an existing platform in the North October field. During flow tests, the well produced approximately 10,370 barrels of 28-degree API oil per day with a wellhead pressure of 225 pounds per square inch from ASL sands of the Miocene Rudeis formation between 10,280 and 10,590 feet.

According to Dave Work, president and general manager of Amoco Egypt Oil Company, additional drilling will test the extent of ASL sands in the area of the October fields. A well is being drilled now from the October "D" platform which is located approximately three miles southeast of the new discovery. Further plans to develop ASL reserves are pending results of this well. Additionally, plans call for at least two more wells to be drilled from the October "J" platform to further delineate and develop the Cretaceous Nubia formation reservoir.

There are now nine platforms in the October area which produce about 180,000

barrels of oil per day from 38 active wells. The operator of the October fields is the Gulf of Suez Petroleum Company (GUPCO), which is jointly owned by Amoco Egypt and the Egyptian General Petroleum Corporation. Amoco Egypt is a subsidiary of Amoco Production Company, the worldwide petroleum exploration and production subsidiary of Amoco Corporation (NYSE: AN).

CONTACT: Mike Thompson, 312-856-5566, or C.T. Geary, 312-856-5388, both of Amoco

-30- 1777

#90354p5221 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The United Steelworkers of America (USW) today announced that leaders of its negotiating committee signed the labor agreement at Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp. (NYSE: QWHX) that will release nearly $70 million in wages and benefits due active and retired Steelworkers.

The contract signing follows Wednesday's announcement that federal bankruptcy court Judge Warren W. Bentz had approved an order confirming the company's amended plan of reorganization. There are about 5,500 active USW members employed at six plant locations of Wheeling-Pittsburgh and 8,000 retirees. The plants are in Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

Andrew "Lefty" Palm, chairman of the union's negotiating committee at Wheeling-Pittsburgh and director of USW District 15 in Pittsburgh, hailed the contract signing as "a new beginning of a long struggle for giving Steelworkers at Wheeling-Pittsburgh their payback for helping this company survive bankruptcy."

The director of USW District 23, Jim Bowen, in Wheeling, W.Va., who also led the negotiations, declared, "This signing represents a long overdue dividend to the major stakeholders of this company that will be felt for years to come."

According to the USW, the new labor agreement under the confirmed plan for reorganization will permit the active and retired workers at Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corp. to recover $35 million from a profit sharing plan negotiated in 1983. Similarly, Steelworkers and retirees will receive 2.2 million shares, or roughly 11 percent of the common stock in the now re-organized company. The USW said other members' claims totalling nearly $20 million will be paid at about 70 percent on the dollar.

If no party appeals the court order by Dec. 28, the company will proceed to make the cash and stock distributions required by its plan of reorganization. Moreover, the new labor agreement will go into effect and return the steel company to the industry's pattern labor agreement now in effect with other major steel producers.

Steelworker employees and retirees supported the company's amended plan of reorganization in overwhelming numbers. An official tally of ballots on file

in the bankruptcy court showed Steelworkers holding claims and stock in Wheeling-Pittsburgh had voted 95 percent in favor of the plan.

Under the company's new labor agreement, active employees will receive a $1.50 per hour wage increase retroactive to July 1, 1990, and a cash payment equal to an extra week of 1990 vacation.

Other benefits to go into effect under the new labor agreement include additional holidays, a new profit sharing program, increased shift differentials, additional premium Sunday pay, new cost-of-living protections, enhanced insurance benefits, and increased protections against contracting out of bargaining unit work.

Retirees will be eligible to enroll in major medical insurance coverage with 50 percent of its cost to be paid by the company. In addition, certain surviving spouses of Steelworkers will be eligible for new annual cash benefits.

The USW and Wheeling-Pittsburgh reached agreement on the contract Aug. 14, 1990, averting a strike that had been scheduled to begin two days later. The ratification vote of the agreement signed last night was 4,615 to 329. Members were told in the ratification process, that terms of the new agreement would become effective upon confirmation of a new plan of reorganizaiton by the bankruptcy court.

The new agreement will expire March 1, 1994.

CONTACT: Gary Hubbard of USW, 412-562-2442.

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#90354p5223 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LANSDALE, PA. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - AEL Industries Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: AELNA) reported improved earnings on higher revenues in its third quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

Net income for the quarter was $490,000 or $.12 per share on revenues of $34,090,000 compared to revenues of $27,258,000 and a loss of $1,755,000 or $.45 per share in the third quarter of last year.

For the nine months, net income rose to $2,232,000 or $.57 per share on revenues of $106,880,000 compared to a loss of $6,617,000 or $1.70 per share on revenues of $88,092,000 for the comparative period last year. Last year's results in the third quarter and for the nine months were impacted by special contract provisions to cover investment commitments and cost growth on several long-term government programs.

George King, chief financial officer, said, "We continue to show positive

results in both revenues and profits through the first nine months and we remain confident that the trend will be maintained through the end of the fiscal year." King indicated that AEL's long-term strategy is to seek out new investment opportunities to further strengthen the company's long-range business potential. Bidding activity was moderately active in the third quarter and the trend should continue into the new year. The company's backlog at the end of the third quarter was $179 million compared to $167 million a year ago.

AEL is a leading supplier of electronic defense systems and subsystems. The company designs and manufactures sophisticated countermeasures, simulation and radar warning receiving systems, engages in the installation and integration of electronic and avionics equipment into military aircraft and provides state-of-the-art antenna systems, microwave integrated components and hybrid microelectronic circuits.

The Class A common stock of AEL Industries Inc. is traded in the Over-the-Counter market on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol AELNA.

CONTACT: Jesse H. Reibman, vice president and treasurer of AEL, 215-822-2929, ext. 2504

-30- 2229

#90354p5227 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Hyundai Motor America today announced the formation of its new Key Dealer Program.

The Hyundai Key Dealer Program was developed to increase communications between the dealer and Hyundai's technical personnel as a means to improve Hyundai's ability to detect production and warranty problems, vehicle trends and assist in solutions.

"This program will help improve the quality of current and future vehicles and address our customers high expectations," said Bruce Campbell, Group Vice President, Parts and Service for Hyundai Motor America.

The objective is to report product quality field issues on a timely basis directly to National Dealer Support instead of going through the normal channels consisting of District Parts and Service Managers, the Region and then National Operations. Several key dealers will be chosen in each of Hyundai's four regions to participate in active field information exchange programs. The choices will be made on the basis of geographical, climatic and road conditions.

Key Dealers will submit repair orders of specified repairs and sample parts directly to National Dealer Support. They will evaluate prototype parts for

effectiveness, host Hyundai importer and manufacturer survey teams and meet quarterly with Hyundai staff. They will also direct 800 toll-free number contacts to the Hyundai National Service Department.

Benefits of the Key Dealer Program include early warning of technical issues, rapid recovery of defective parts, evaluation of test parts and climatic conditions on vehicle performance. In addition to improving product quality and customer satisfaction, it will develop a "spirit" of cooperation with regions and dealers and establish a dealer network for U.S. and Korean team visits.

In order to meet the dealer selection criteria, dealers must have highly trained Hyundai technicians, moderate to high vehicle sales, and be from a specific geographical area (temperature exremes, dry, wet and high altitude).

Incentives for Key Dealers include participation in quarterly product quality review meetings, a meeting at the Bromont (Canada) plant at the beginning of model year production, awards for outstanding performance and a trip to Hyundai Motor Company in Ulsan, South Korea, for the top performing Key Dealer.

Hyundai Motor America recently celebrated its millionth sale in the United States. The line-up includes the economical Excel, sporty Scoupe and midsize Sonata. Soon to be previewed at selected auto shows is the subcompact sedan, Elantra. Hyundai has 425 dealers.

CONTACT: Debbie Douglas of Hyundai Motor America, 714-965-3856.

-30- 2855
#90354p5228 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Pierre Haas, honorary chairman of Paribas International, has been elected a director of Newmont Mining Corp. (NYSE: NEM) and Newmont Gold Co. (NYSE: NGC), it was announced today by Gordon R. Parker, chairman and chief executive officer. Haas is a designee of the Goldsmith-Rothschild Group which acquired beneficial ownership of 49.1 percent of Newmont's common stock on Dec. 7, 1990.

Haas currently is chairman of R.E.L. Partners N.V., a Netherlands firm; and is senior advisor to the chairman of Pargesa Holding of Geneva. Prior to joining Banque Paribas, where he served from 1965 until 1985, he was executive vice president international of Continental Grain Co.

Born in Paris, where he still resides, Haas is a director of various corporations, including Banque Paribas Suisse Bahamas, Power Financial Capital Corp. of Montreal, Compagnie Continentale France and IAM Europe (Luxembourg). He also is a member of the International Consulting Committee, Power Corp. of Canada.

Newmont Mining is a major gold company which owns 90 percent of Newmont Gold, the largest producer in North America; and 100 percent of Newmont Exploration Ltd., which conducts worldwide exploration for gold.

CONTACT: James F. Hill of Newmont Mining Corp., 303-837-5977

-30- 1476

#90354p5233 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - United Television Inc. (NASDAQ: UTVI) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the repurchase from time to time, subject to market conditions, of an additional 500,000 shares of the company's common stock. Shares now authorized for purchases, including from prior authorization, aggregate 530,346.

CONTACT: Garth S. Lindsey, executive VP of United Television, 213-854-0426.

-30- 592

#90354p5234 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS, MO (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Gordon R. England has been appointed corporate vice president, General Dynamics Corporation (NYSE: GD), and general manager of the company's Land Systems Division, headquartered in Sterling Heights, Mich. The division builds the U.S. Army's M1 Abrams Main Battle Tank.

England will be responsible for all tank programs, other land vehicles, research and development, logistics support, and domestic and international sales. He replaces Robert W. Truxell, who will retire on Dec. 31 after 40 years with General Motors Corp. and seven years with General Dynamics.

England was most recently vice president-research and engineering at Land Systems. He began his career with General Dynamics Fort Worth division in 1969. He was avionic project manager for the F-111 Fighter- Bomber and the F-16 Fighting Falcon. He later was appointed director- avionic systems with responsibility for systems design, development and installation of avionics for all Fort Worth programs.

In 1986, he was appointed vice president-research and engineering for Land Systems. He was the architect of the M1A2 Abrams Main Battle Tank and other research and development projects until receiving his new assignment.

Born in Baltimore, Md., England earned a Bachelor's Degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Maryland in 1961, and a Master's of Business Administration from Texas Christian University in 1975. He is a Michigan-registered professional engineer, a past president of the Michigan Chapter of The American Defense Preparedness Association, a member of the Association of the U.S. Army and the Society of Automotive Engineers.

England has served on numerous community and defense-oriented panels and committees and has written articles for a wide range of professional journals, technical and business magazines.

CONTACT: Karl Oskoian of General Dynamics, 313-825-7930

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#90354p5235 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NAPERVILLE, IL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Nalco Chemical Company (NYSE: NLC) and Imperial Chemical Industries, PLC (ICI) announced earlier today that they have reached an agreement for the purchase by Nalco of ICI's interests in three joint ventures: Alchem, Catoleum and Nalfloc, and their subsidiaries. These three joint ventures are based in Canada, Australia and the United Kingdom, respectively. The purchase price was announced as being US$168 million, in cash.

The three companies will become wholly owned subsidiaries of Nalco when the transactions are finalized. Two additional companies, Nalco South East Asia Pte. Ltd. (Singapore) and P.T. Nalco Perkasa (Indonesia), which are currently subsidiaries of Catoleum and/or Nalfloc, are also included in the transaction.

Nalco is extremely pleased with the purchase of these companies and their subsidiaries. Each company is in the same markets and provides products and services to customers virtually identical to those served by Nalco. The management teams and employees of each company are expected to make a smooth transition to Nalco as a result of the many years of Nalco influence on their operations. The addition of these companies fits into Nalco's strategic plan of being the best specialty chemical company in the world.

Alchem was incorporated in 1936 and is headquartered in Burlington, Ontario. It operates plants in Edmonton, Alberta and at the headquarters site. The major markets served include industrial water and waste treatment, mining and mineral processing, oil production and refining, steelmaking, as well as pulp and paper manufacturing.

Catoleum was formed in 1963 and is headquartered in Botany, NSW, Australia. It operates plants in Perth, WA and Auckland, New Zealand. The mining industry is a major market for Catoleum specialty chemical products and services, however, waste treatment for customers in Australia, Fiji, Indonesia, New Caledonia, New Guinea and New Zealand continues to develop good business for Catoleum.

Nalfloc was formed in 1967. Nalfloc's predecessor companies date back to the 1930s. Its headquarters and plant are in Northwich, England. Industrial water and waste treatment, mining and mineral processing, oil production and refining, steelmaking, pulp and paper production, and the transportation industry are major markets for its specialty chemical products and services.

P.T. Nalco Perkasa, currently owned by Catoleum and P.T. Astenia, will remain a subsidiary of Catoleum. P.T. Perkasa is headquartered in Jakarta, Indonesia with manufacturing operations in Citeureup, Java. It serves markets in Indonesia. Nalco South East Asia is owned jointly by Catoleum and Nalfloc and has its headquarters and plant in Jurong Town, Singapore. It operates in Malaysia, Brunei, Thailand, Sri Lanka and Burma. Both P.T. Perkasa and Nalco South East Asia serve the industrial water and waste treatment, mining and mineral processing, pollution control and process application markets.

Nalco and ICI will continue as joint venture partners in Nalco Chemicals India Ltd. and Anikem (Pty) Ltd. (South Africa). Nalco also expects that existing business relationships between Nalco and ICI will continue to be very close in the future.

Nalco's sales in 1989 were $1,070,754, which do not include sales of these joint venture companies. The joint ventures have aggregate annual sales of approximately $185 million.

CONTACT: Charles A. Goding of Nalco, 708-305-1276

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#90354p5237 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - "As we near the end of 1990, our financial condition remains sound. But the results we're reporting for the first 11 months of this year are down significantly, largely because of a previously announced charge against earnings related to our investment in Plant Vogtle," Southern Company President Edward L. Addison said today.

The Southern Company (NYSE: SO) is the parent firm of five electric utilities: Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power, and Savannah Electric. The Southern Company's common stock is one of the 20 most widely held corporate stocks in America.

Addison reported that net income for the first 11 months of this year was $573 million or $1.81 per share -- down $232 million or 74 cents per share from the corresponding period in 1989.

For the 12 months ended Nov. 30, earnings totaled $615 million or $1.95 per share -- off $253 million or 80 cents per share from the comparable 12 months a year ago.

Without the after-tax charge -- which totaled $218 million or 69 cents per share -- Southern Company earnings for the latest 12 months would have been $833 million or $2.64 per share.

The decision to take the charge against earnings was announced in October

after the Georgia Supreme Court refused to review a decision by the state public service commission disallowing a portion of the company's investment in the Vogtle nuclear plant. The resulting write-off totaled $180 million. An addition $38 million charge stems from a management decision to cancel construction of a facility to process radioactive waste at the plant site.

Discussing recent rate developments, Addison said the Florida Public Service Commission has denied a request from Gulf Power to delay the effect of a rate penalty for alleged mismanagement while the company appeals to the state supreme court. The penalty was part of the commission's decision to grant Gulf Power an annual rate increase of $14.1 million effective Sept. 13. For each of the first two years the increase is in effect, the penalty would reduce that amount by $2.3 million.

In other rate matters, Addison reported that the Georgia Public Service Commission has approved a request by Savannah Electric to reduce base rates by $2.99 million, effective Jan. 1, 1991. This marks the company's second reduction in base rates in less than a year.

Addison also said that the Mississippi Public Service Commission has completed hearings on a new performance evaluation plan for Mississippi Power. A decision is expected shortly. The new plan -- like the original version that was approved in 1986 -- would require quarterly reviews of the company's performance. Rates could remain the same or be adjusted up or down each quarter. But the total increase or decrease in any given year could not exceed 4 percent.

Reviewing system operations, Addison said that electricity sales to retail customers in the four-state area rose 4.5 percent during the first 11 months of 1990. In-home electricity needs were up 6.9 percent to 30.6 billion kilowatthours. Electricity sales to commercial customers -- offices, stores and other non-manufacturing firms -- gained 5.1 percent to 27.4 billion kilowatthours. Industrial energy use rose 2.5 percent to 42.3 billion kilowatthours.

Energy sales under long-term contracts with neighboring utilities totaled 19.8 billion kilowatthours during the first 11 months of this year -- an increase of 10.8 percent.

The energy needs of wholesale customers -- municipalities and cooperatives in the service area -- were down less than 1 percent.

Overall, sales of electricity to customers of The Southern Company grew 5 percent in the first 11 months of 1990 as compared with the same period in 1989.

CONTACT: Tripp Cagle or Donna Norris of The Southern Company, 404-455-1077

-30- 4072
#90354p5238 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Russ Togs, Inc. (NYSE: RTS), reported today that it would not pay a dividend on its common stock for the current quarter. During the last quarter, the company paid a dividend of 5 cents per common share.

Ken Sitomer, president and CEO, stated, "Faced with a volatile retail environment and a difficult fourth quarter, the company decided that these funds would be used to support our new divisions as well as a hedge against the future."

He further stated, "The company will continue to follow its marketing plan and will move forward with confidence. Our management team reports that the company's new products have received an affirmative response from buyers. We expect to experience the benefits of this response by fall of 1991."

The company declared its regular quarterly dividend of 47-1/2 cents per share on Series $1.90 cumulative convertible preferred stock payable Feb. 1, 1991, to holders of record Dec. 28, 1990.

CONTACT: Bob Perilla Associates, 212-581-5775, for Russ Togs

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#90354p5242 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire
NORTH PALM BEACH, FL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - FPL Group, Inc. (NYSE: FPL) today said that it has issued and sold 12.4 million shares of common stock to the trust of the employee thrift plans of FPL Group and its wholly owned subsidiary, Florida Power & Light Company. The stock was issued in connection with the employee stock ownership plan (ESOP) feature of the thrift plans.

Proceeds from the sale, based on yesterday's closing price of FPL Group common stock of $29 per share, amounted to $360 million. The proceeds will be used to help fund Florida Power & Light Company's construction program and for equity contributions to certain of FPL Group's non-utility subsidiaries. The shares will be used to satisfy the employer matching contribution requirements under the plans.

The trust funded the purchase of the common stock by borrowing $360 million from FPL Group Capital Inc., also a wholly owned subsidiary of FPL Group, at a fixed interest rate of 9.69 percent for a term of 20 years. The trust intends to repay the loan with dividends received on the FPL Group common stock it holds, and with certain employer matching contributions made in accordance with the terms of the thrift plans.

FPL Group Capital funded $260 million of the loan to the trust through bank

borrowings at a variable interest rate based upon market conditions and maturing in two years. FPL Group Capital anticipates repayment of the loans, in whole or in part, from the sale of certain of its subsidiaries and assets.

CONTACT: Tony Bruns of FPL Group, Inc., 407-694-6393.

-30- 1764

#90354p5244 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

STILLWATER, OK. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Improved revenues for the first three months for fiscal 1991 were announced today by TMS Inc.

Revenues for the first quarter ending Nov. 30, 1990, increased to $720,622 compared to $623,244 for the same period in the prior fiscal year, according to Dr. J. Richard Phillips, TMS president. Net income was $76,837 or $.01 per share.

During the first quarter, t hcompany signed a licensing agreement with a division of a major computer manufacturer. Dr. Phillips commented, "The agreement provides for the company's InnerView software product to be included with a suite of other products from the computer manufacturer once development and testing is completed." This could result in substantial revenues in the future years for the company."

Revenues for fiscal 1990, ended Aug. 31, 1990, were $2,543,704. This was approximately the same as the previous fiscal year. The company reported a net loss for the year of $573,674. "If the unusual item for non-cash stock options of $587,429 were deducted from operating expenses, the company would have a net income of $13,755," said Phillips.

In discussing the company's business, Phillips said the company continues to broaden its worldwide customer base and now has approximately 150 firms licensing its software products. The primary markets are electronic publishing on CD-ROM discs and electronic imaging applications. Both markets, according to industry analysts, are experiencing strong growth.

TMS is a public company and its common stock is traded in the over-the-counter market.

CONTACT: Dale May of TMS Inc., 405-377-0880

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#90354p5246 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAINESVILLE, FL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Pharmatec Inc. (NASDAQ: PHTC) today announced it received a $400,000 research contract from a major U.S. pharmaceutical company to develop a new form of a drug to treat cerebral hemorrhages stroke and its consequence, conditions which affect more than

400,000 persons annually in the United States.

The brain is separated from the systemic circulation by the blood-brain barrier. This barrier prevents bacteria and certain molecules, including many polar drugs, from reaching the brain. Pharmatec has developed a chemical carrier system which acts to improve delivery of drugs to the brain. The system is designed to decrease drug toxicity and result in sustained therapeutic action of the medicinal agents in brain tissue.

Under the research contract, Pharmatec will develop various carrier systems for a drug to treat strokes which is under development by the large pharmaceutical company.

If Pharmatec's work is successful, the pharmaceutical company will have the option to acquire an exclusive, worldwide license to use Pharmatec's carrier with its drug. In such an event, substantial progress payments will be paid to Pharmatec as the drug-carrier combination proceeds through the testing and regulatory process. If and when the drug is approved for sale, Pharmatec will receive a royalty based on worldwide sales of the drug-carrier combination.

Pharmatec is a research-based drug development company specializing in two novel technologies -- a carrier system for increasing the delivery of drugs to the brain and MOLECUSOL(R) brand cyclodextrins for increasing the solubility and stability of drugs.

CONTACT: Dr. Kerry S. Estes of Pharmatec, 904-462-1210 or 800-526-8222

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#90354p5253 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Bank South Corp. (NASDAQ: BKSO) and The First National Bank of Clearwater announced today that the two companies do not intend to extend their merger agreement after it expires on Dec. 31.

The decision was announced in a joint statement by Robert P. Guyton, chairman and chief executive officer of Bank South, and Robert A. Burwell, president of The First National Bank of Clearwater.

"Since we announced our merger agreement last June, the economy has deteriorated rapidly, and we are now devoting full attention to managing our organizations through a deepening recession," the statement from Guyton and Burwell said. "We agree regretfully that, in this environment, the most appropriate course of action is to let the agreement expire, while leaving open the possibility that merger discussions could be renewed after the economy improves."

Bank South is an Atlanta-based $5.5 billion multi-bank holding company with 140 offices throughout Georgia and the Florida panhandle. Bank South stock is

traded on the NASDAQ exchange under the symbol BKSO. The First National Bank of Clearwater is a $427 million-asset financial institution in Pinellas County Fla.

CONTACT: Bo Spalding of Bank South, 404-529-4238; Analysts Contact: Brent Lee, 404-529-4529.

-30- 1492

#90354p5256 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Freeport-McMoRan Oil and Gas Royalty Trust (NYSE: FMR) announced today that the December distribution amount, to which unit holders of record on Dec. 31, 1990, will be entitled, will be $512,942 or approximately $.03425 per unit. This amount will be paid to unit holders on Jan. 10, 1991, the regular quarterly payment date.

This monthly distribution is not necessarily indicative of future monthly distribution amounts, which will depend on future costs incurred and revenues received.

CONTACT: Roark Ashie of First City, Texas-Houston, N.A., as trustee, 713-658-7639

-30- 782

#90354p5259 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - JG Industries Inc. (NASDAQ: JGIN) announced today that effective Feb. 1, 1991, Robert D. Berk has been appointed president of its Milgram Kagan Corp. shoe division.

Berk was a former senior executive of Milgram Kagan. For the last few years, he has been the president of a consulting firm serving the shoe and retail industry.

Milgram Kagan operates 137 specialty retail shoe stores nationwide. JG Industries Inc. is a Chicago-based retailing concern that operates, through its various subsidiaries, 12 Goldblatt's Department Stores in Illinois and Indiana; 10 Huffman Koos furniture stores in New Jersey and New York; and 137 specialty retail shoe stores nationwide, mentioned above.

CONTACT: Clarence Farrar of JG Industries, 312-787-0022

-30- 963

#90354p5261 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRANCHBURG, N.J. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Air & Water Technologies Corporation (AMEX: AWT), a leading environmental treatment and services company, has announced the award of a major asbestos abatement contract to one of its

subsidiaries, Falcon Associates, Inc. Falcon has been selected by the city of Cincinnati to provide asbestos abatement services for the Fountain Square West project, located in downtown Cincinnati. At a value of over $6 million, the contract is one of the largest in Falcon's history.

Under the terms of the agreement, Falcon is responsible for the removal of asbestos from 12 locations and demolition of four buildings.

Falcon Associates was acquired by AWT in 1989. Speaking of the Cincinnati contract award, Eckardt C. Beck, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Air & Water Technologies, said, "Falcon continues to be a strong performer. The Cincinnati contract follows other visible and important 1990 projects, such as Boston City Hall and the Manville Sales Corporation. This latest award is also indicative of Falcon's success in broadening its asbestos abatement services beyond its historical area of strength, the East Coast."

Falcon is a component of AWT's Residuals Management Group. Air & Water Technologies Corporation, through its operating units -- Residuals Management, Research-Cottrell, Inc., and Metcalf & Eddy Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: METC) -- provides a broad range of environmental services and technologies in the areas of waste by-product disposal and reuse, pollution control, and water resources management.

CONTACT: Lucinda Edmonds of Air & Water Technologies Corporation, 617-245-1484

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#90354p5265 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - American Pacific Corp. (NASDAQ: APFC) today announced that its Pepcon Systems Inc. (PSI) subsidiary has been selected as the qualified supplier for a contract valued at $5.8 million to install odor control systems at a composting facility in Akron, Ohio.

Owing to the importance of the odor control systems to the project, the City of Akron conducted a detailed qualification competition, resulting in PSI's selection.

The city has now awarded the general contract, and the general contractor has issued a purchase order to PSI pursuant to the city's selection and direction. PSI is currently negotiating final terms of the contract with the general contractor for the work which is expected to take about two years to complete. This new business brings PSI's backlog to $9 million.

Fred D. Gibson Jr., chairman, president and chief executive officer of American Pacific, commented: "The revenues from this contract will be reflected over the next two years. Our success in this major project is another sign of the technical superiority of PSI's OdorMaster(TM) system in providing an effective solution to the problem of odors from gases not only at

composting facilities, but also sewage treatment plants, pumping stations and at chemical, food processing and other industrial plants.

American Pacific's proposed sodium azide project, intended to support the requirements of the U.S. automotive airbag industry is progressing. A letter of intent has been received from one major user, and discussions continue with the other principal user. Dynamit Nobel, the company's venture partner, has agreed to extend to March 31, 1991, the payment of $1.42 million previously due on Dec. 15, 1990. Gibson emphasized that "The company is pursuing this project aggressively and is committed to its successful conclusion."

American Pacific also announced that escrow has closed on its previously announced sale of 4.24 acres at Gibson Business Park in Clark County, Nev., to a consumer products manufacturer.

American Pacific's principal business activities consist of the production of ammonium perchlorate, the oxidizer utilized in composite solid rocket propellants employed by a large number of space and military systems.

Through direct and indirect subsidiaries, the company is engaged in the manufacture of chlorate and perchlorate chemicals, the design and manufacture of electrolytic systems and electrodes, the design and manufacture of pollution control systems, and industrial real estate development.

CONTACT: C. Keith Rooker, Exec. VP, American Pacific Corp., 702-735-2200.

-30- 2842

#90354p5266 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

AUSTIN, Texas (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - SEMATECH (AMEX: SMH) announced today it has awarded an equipment improvement contract to Integrated Process Equipment Corp. (IPEC) of San Jose, Calif. Under terms of the agreement, SEMATECH will work with IPEC to enhance the AVANTI 8000, an integrated dry/wet photoresist stripper for single wafer processing. The strip clean system removes photoresist from wafers after all masking and patterning operations are completed, including the removal of even heavily implanted resist.

Rep. Don Edwards, D-Calif., commented that, "SEMATECH has a vital role in America today because of its efforts to strengthen the U.S. semiconductor equipment and materials infrastructure. It is good to see that SEMATECH is continuing to make aggressive advances in technology and equipment improvement.

"IPEC's AVANTI 8000 replaces three current stand-alone processes and pieces of equipment with one unit, thus reducing capital equipment and processing costs " said W.J. Spencer, president and CEO of SEMATECH. "We believe this kind of tool development could provide a key addition to U.S. manufacturing capability."

"IPEC will offer a total integrated solution for resist stripping and cleaning with the development of the AVANTI 8000," said Ralph Miller, president of IPEC. "We are working closely with SEMATECH to incorporate existing, proven dry and wet process sub modules. The end product will offer semiconductor manufacturers significant potential for yield improvement and lower operating costs."

SEMATECH's equipment improvement program was established in order to improve America's competitive capability in semiconductor manufacturing. To accomplish this objective, SEMATECH works with U.S. suppliers to enhance new equipment, materials and processes that support manufacturing requirements for future generations of technology. These programs focus on improving the function and reliability of the equipment in order to increase manufacturing uptime and decrease costs.

SEMATECH is a consortium of 14 U.S. semiconductor manufacturing firms partnered with the U.S. Department of Defense that is charged with the mission of restoring U.S. semiconductor manufacturing leadership capability.

IPEC is a member of SEMI/SEMATECH, an independent industry association headquartered at SEMATECH. SEMI/SEMATECH's 133 members consist of majority-owned American suppliers to the semiconductor manufacturing industry.

CONTACT: Michele Higdon of SEMATECH, 512-356-3659

-30- 2723

#90354p5267 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HINGHAM, MA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Paul E. Bulman, president and chief executive officer of Hingham Institution for Savings (NASDAQ: HIFS) ("Hingham"), and Donald E. Bates, president and chief executive officer of Cohasset Savings Bank (NASDAQ: CHTB) ("Cohasset"), jointly announced today that the boards of directors of the two banks have agreed in principle to the merger of Cohasset with and into Hingham. The merger would provide for the shareholders of Cohasset to receive a number of Hingham shares, representing Cohasset's contribution to the capital of the combined organization. Hingham shareholders would continue to hold Hingham shares. The exact change ratio and other material terms of the merger are expected to be negotiated in the near future.

The agreement announced today is subject to the execution of a definitive merger agreement between the parties and approval of the shareholders of both banks. The merger is also subject to various regulatory approvals, including those of Massachusetts Commissioner of Banks and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Hingham maintains banking offices in the towns of Hingham, Hanover, and Hull. On Sept. 30, 1990 total assets were $153,951,000 and stockholders equity

totaled $15,750,000 for a book value of $12.60 per share.

Cohasset maintains banking offices in the towns of Scituate and Cohasset. On Sept. 30, 1990 total assets were $65,749,000 and stockholders equity totaled $11,825,000 for a book value of $11.79 per share.

The stock of both banks is listed and traded on the NASDAQ Market System with Hingham under the symbol HIFS and Cohasset under the symbol CHTB.

CONTACT: Paul E. Bulman, president of Hingham Instutition for Savings, 617-749-2200.

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#90354p5268 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Rochester Community Savings Bank (NASDAQ: RCSB) today declared a regular cash dividend of 14 cents per common share for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990. The dividend is payable on Jan. 25, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 10, 1991.

Rochester Community Savings Bank is publicly owned, state-chartered savings bank headquartered in Rochester. The bank operates 27 retail banking offices in western New York, and 19 branches in New Jersey through its wholly owned subsidiary, Shadow Lawn Savings Bank. RCSB also owns subsidiaries engaged in mortgage banking, automobile financing, commercial real estate banking, insurance, and securities brokerage. The bank's assets are $4.3 billion.

CONTACT: Richard J. Dye of Rochester Community Savings Bank, 716-262-5365.

-30- 1013

#90354p5276 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boston Five Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: BFCS), today reported that its subsidiary, The Boston Five Cents Savings Bank FSB, had residential mortgage production for the month ending Nov. 30, 1990, the first month of fiscal 1991, totalling $66.4 million. For the comparable period in 1989, the Boston Five originated residential mortgages totalling $106.2 million.

With total assets of approximately $2.4 billion, The Boston Five is one of the largest savings banks headquartered in Massachusetts. It currently services approximately $1.8 billion in mortgage loans for investors. The Boston Five Bancorp, Inc. is the holding company of The Boston Five Cents Savings Bank FSB. It operates 15 loan offices in New England and 26 full service offices in eastern Massachusetts.

CONTACT: Anne Roque of Boston Five Corporate Communications, 617-742-6000,

ext. 2143.

-30- 1064

#90354p5277 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

OCEANSIDE, NY (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Showcase Cosmetics, Inc. (NASDAQ: LIPSA) today announced its financial results for the second quarter and six months ended Oct. 31, 1990.

SHOWCASE COSMETICS, INC.

Periods ended	Three Months		Six Months	
Oct. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$1,140,821	$1,163,120	$2,275,939	$2,248,420
Net income	2,139	76,029	(28,708)	120,016
Per share	$.00	$0.02	($.01)	$.03
Avg. shrs. outstdg.	4,828,334	4,575,941	4,828,334	4,017,970

Alan R. Steiner, president, noted that Showcase's sales attained a record high for the six-month period ended Oct. 31, 1990. Income for the same period as compared to the six months reported for Oct. 31, 1989, dropped moderately, primarily due to increased costs of materials and increased overhead expenses. Steiner added that the company anticipates continued progress and possible record sales for the current year based on recent developments.

These developments include: initial orders from major national and regional drug store chains of Showcase's extensive line of products; growing consumer acceptance of the company's products; and the introduction of new products.

For the year ended April 30, 1990, Showcase Cosmetics reported sales of $3,562,076 and a loss of $510,942.

CONTACT: Walter Hauser of Showcase Cosmetics, 212-831-1426.

-30- 1666

#90354p5278 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - William R. Snyder was elected senior vice president-administration of Crown Central Petroleum Corp. (AMEX: CNP.A), effective Jan. 1, 1991, the company announced today.

He will continue to report to the chairman of the corporation. Snyder formerly served as vice president-administration and secretary of the corporation.

CONTACT: William R. Snyder, senior vp-administration of Crown Central Petroleum, 301-539-7400.

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#90354p5282 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Boston Five Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: BFCS) has announced the closing of two Pope Mortgage Corporation offices located in Columbia, S.C., and Raleigh, N.C. These were the last two residential loan production offices operated by the bank under the name Pope Mortgage Corporation.

"This step will focus our efforts more closely on the areas in which we generate 97 percent of our business," said Peter J. Blampied, president and CEO of The Boston Five. "We have just completed our second consecutive year with more than $1 billion in total residential originations. Our challenge, as fiscal year 1991 begins, is to continue as a high volume originator," he stated.

Commenting on the bank's current production, Blampied noted, "Our November production of $66.4 million is slightly under our target. Over the past two years, however, our monthly production has ranged from less than $50 million to almost $125 million."

In 1990, the bank's residential loan originations totalled $1.05 billion compared with $1.02 billion in 1989. As the majority of the bank's loan production is originated primarily in the Northeast, the closing of the Carolina offices reflects the bank's focus on its primary market area. The two offices closed were responsible for approximately 3 percent of residential loan originations for The Boston Five.

The Boston Five recently announced a decline in interest rates on mortgages, some below 9 percent. Blampied concluded, "It remains to be seen whether 1991 housing sales will be as strong as in 1990. While the economic climate is uncertain, declines in interest rates may stimulate mortgage activity. Given our improved market share, a stronger residential real estate market would help us reach our goals."

A 165-year-old institution, The Boston Five has total assets of approximately $2.4 billion. It is the largest savings bank headquartered in Massachusetts. The Boston Five has a network of nine loan centers in Massachusetts. It also operates six loan centers in four other New England states through its subsidiary, The Boston Five Mortgage Corporation. Deposits of The Boston Five are insured by the Bank Insurance Fund (BIF) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

CONTACT: Anne Roque of The Boston Five, 617-742-6000, ext. 2143.

-30- 2537

#90354p5284 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - A special calling plan for those who want to make conference calls with far away families and friends during the

holidays was announced today by MCI Communications Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: MCIC).

MCI's new Family Reunion plan, available 24 hours a day from Dec. 22 through midnight on Jan. 13, 1991, offers a personal conference call service at special holiday rates. Calls may be linked from anywhere in the United States to any domestic and most direct dial international destinations. Callers do not have to be MCI customers.

To use the MCI Family Reunion plan, callers contact an MCI operator by dialing 1-800-444-REUNION, 24 hours in advance to schedule a time for the call. MCI operators will arrange the conference call for the exact time requested.

Calls may be billed to Visa, MasterCard or the Discover Card. Family Reunion rates are 50 cents per minute per location for domestic calls and calls to Canada. Rates for calls to MCI's international locations are $1.50 per minute per location. There is no set-up charge for either domestic or international calls. The originating or "host" caller will receive a charge card bill for the call.

"MCI's Family Reunion calling is an easy, economic way for families and friends to connect during the busy holiday period," said Timothy Price, senior vice president of sales and marketing for MCI's Consumer Division. "This holiday season, due to rising travel costs and a softer economy, more and more families are expected to use the telephone as a way of staying in touch."

Normally, the conference calling service is geared to the needs of businesses, Price said. "This promotional offering is unique in that residential consumers can take advantage of MCI's audio conferencing capabilities at reduced rates," he added.

MCI, with 1989 revenue of approximately $6.5 billion, is the nation's second largest long-distance provider. MCI supplies a full range of voice and data telecommunications services to business and residential customers and government agencies.

CONTACT: MCI Communications Corporation, Corporate News Bureau, 1-800-289-0073 or 202-887-3000.

-30- 2376

#90354p5287 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROSEMEAD, CA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - SCEcorp (NYSE: SCE), the holding company for Southern California Edison Co., today declared a quarterly common stock dividend of 0.66 cents per share.

The following dividends were declared by Southern California Edison Co. on three series of its $100 cumulative preferred stock: $1.83125 on the 7.325

percent series, $1.895 on the 7.58 percent series and $3.0775 on the 12.31 percent series.

Each of the dividends is payable Jan. 31, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 4, 1991.

CONTACT: Melanie Savage of Southern California Edison Co., (818) 302-2255.

-30- 773

#90354p5288 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB Texas, Fort Worth, as Trustee of the Permian Basin Royalty Trust (NYSE: PBT), today declared a cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of $.083779 per unit, payable Jan. 16, 1991, to unit holders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

The Trustee has received notice that Chevron USA Inc. has resigned as operator of the Waddell Ranch properties as of Nov. 1, 1990. The Waddell Ranch properties constitute a significant portion of the properties from which the net overriding royalty interest owned by the Trust is derived. Such resignation does not become effective for a period of six months after the resignation (May 1, 1991), unless a successor operator has been designated and taken over unit operations prior to the expiration of such period.

A working interest owners meeting will be called in the future in order to elect a new operator.

The Trustee has no current information as to the impact that Chevron's resignation will have on future operations of properties in which the Trust has a net overriding royalty interest or the impact that the change of operator will have on future Trust distributions.

CONTACT: Joe B. Grissom of NCNB Texas, 817-390-6905, for Permian Basin Royalty Trust.

-30- 1467

#90354p5289 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Manville Corp. (NYSE: MVL) today announced the signing of new long-term license agreements with Nippon Electric Glass (NEG) of Japan, according to Richard A. Kashnow, president of Manville's Engineered Products Group. This builds on previous agreements between NEG and Manville to share chopped strand and yarn technologies. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

"These agreements provide Manville with all NEG fiber glass reinforcement technologies and the rights to produce and market reinforcement products based on these technologies in both Europe and North America," Kashnow said.

Reinforced plastics are used primarily for transportation, construction, corrosion and marine applications.

"We are pleased to sign these additional agreements with NEG because of their excellent worldwide reputation for manufacturing products of the highest quality," added Kashnow. The new license agreements signed today strengthen Manville's growing distribution position by expanding the product line with "spray-up roving, among other products." According to Kashnow, the timing of these agreements fits well with the approaching start-up of the new $65 million expansion at Manville's Waterville, Ohio facility.

Located in Otsu Shiga, Japan, NEG is one of the world's leading manufacturers of technical glass products. In addition to glass fiber for reinforcements, NEG is a leading producer of glass bulbs for television picture tubes, technical glass for electronic components, glass building materials, glass tubing for lighting and medical uses, glass products for kitchenware, and glass sheets for liquid crystal displays.

"NEG is pleased to have a strong association with Manville, given their capability and commitment to the fiber glass reinforced plastics market," said Toshio Nakayama, senior executive vice president of NEG.

Manville is the world's largest producer of fiber glass mats and is a leading producer of fiber glass insulation and continuous filament glass fibers. Manville serves the continuous filament glass fiber and non-woven glass mat markets worldwide from its operations in Waterville, Ohio; Etowah, Tenn.; Ennis, Texas; and two plants in Germany under Manville's Glaswerk Schuller subsidiary.

Manville is an international manufacturing and natural resources company headquartered in Denver. The company's primary businesses include building and engineered products, fiber glass and industrial insulation products, paper and wood products, packaging, roofing systems and filtration and minerals. Founded in 1858, Manville has more than 18,000 people at more than 50 plants and seven mining interests worldwide. Manville and its subsidiaries have more than $2.5 billion in assets as of Dec. 31, 1989.

CONTACT: Don Ferguson of Manville Corp., 303-978-3255

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#90354p5291 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Sterling Bank, a subsidiary of The Waltham Corporation (NASDAQ: WLBK), today announced that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, following a recent examination of the performance of Sterling Bank relative to the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA), rated The Bank's compliance as 'satisfactory.'

According to the CRA rating system, "an institution in this group has a satisfactory record of ascertaining and helping to meet the credit needs of its entire delineated community, including low- and moderate-income neighborhoods, in a manner consistent with its resources and capabilities."

John C. Warren, president and chief executive officer of Sterling Bank commented, "We are very pleased with the results of the CRA examination. We have been a community bank for 137 years, and our efforts continue to focus on our community strengths and involvement. We are proud that we have met, and will continue to meet the credit needs of our local communities."

Sterling Bank, a subsidiary of The Waltham Corporation, has assets in excess of $570 million and offers a comprehensive line of business and personal banking services at its five retail offices located in the Boston suburbs of Waltham, Wayland, Weston and Sudbury. The corporation's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "WLBK."

CONTACT: Karen A. Wharton of Sterling Bank, 617-894-7790

-30- 1586

#90354p5292 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. LOUIS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonnell Aircraft Co. today said it will notify approximately 4,000 employees that they could be laid off as soon as Jan. 2, 1991, if the U.S. Navy's A-12 Avenger program is canceled.

People identified for notification will be selected on an across-the-board basis from McDonnell Aircraft's total employee population. Notifications will not be limited to people working on the A-12 program.

McDonnell Aircraft personnel associated with the A-12 program total approximately 6,000, with the majority in St. Louis. There are approximately 150 people on the A-12 program in Tulsa, Okla., where the A-12 final assembly plant is located. More than 10,000 people in 42 states work for A-12 suppliers and subcontractors.

The U.S. Government has not decided whether the program will be canceled, but is considering that option because of its view that McDonnell Douglas is in default on the A-12's fixed-price full-scale development contract. A decision on the program's status could come as early as Jan. 2, 1991.

McDonnell Douglas maintains that it is not in default on the contract. It earlier proposed that the contract be restructured. The McDonnell Douglas-General Dynamics team also believes it has solved the major technical problems that have come up on the program.

Officials from the A-12 team will continue to hold discussions with the Navy and the Office of the Secretary of Defense to resolve difficulties and assure

continuation of this vital national defense program on a mutually satisfactory basis.

CONTACT: Jim Reed of McDonnell Aircraft Company, 314-234-7019 or (home) 314-962-4434; or Lee Whitney of McDonnell Aircraft Company, 314-234-0685 or (home) 314-832-9277

-30- 1922

#90354p5294 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONROEVILLE, PA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Community Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ: CBPA) announced today that it had net income of $1,023,809 or $.68 per share for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared to $866,765 or $.58 per share for the year ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Kenneth J. Tyson, president of Community Bancorp Inc., stated that the $157,044 or 18.1 percent increase in net income was primarily due to the $886,769 increase in other income and the $357,974 increase in net interest income after provision for loan losses. These increases were partially offset by the $810,289 increase in other expenses.

Tyson further stated that the increase in other expense was primarily due to the write-off of an intangible asset of $667,000 ($435,000, net of tax, representing $.30 per share) during the quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. This asset related to a noncompete agreement entered into in conjunction with the purchase of a branch in May of 1987.

During 1990, the association with which the noncompete agreement was executed came under the management of the Resolution Trust Corp. As a result, this asset's value has been impaired and the remaining net book value was written off. The write-off of the asset will have a positive impact on future operations of the association by reducing amortization expense, net of tax, by approximately $60,000 each year for the next six years, which was the remaining amortization period.

CONTACT: John A. Howard Jr. of Community Bancorp, 412-242-6011

-30- 1669

#90354p5295 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, OK (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Kinark Corporation (AMEX: KIN) announced today that a contract had been entered into to sell its Camelot Hotel in Tulsa for $1,500,000. At the closing, the buyer will be required to make a cash payment of $500,000. The $1,000,000 balance of the purchase price will be financed through the delivery to Kinark of a 5-1/2 year promissory note and mortgage. The buyer, an individual identified as a Delano, Calif., businessman, is scheduled to close the transaction on Dec. 31, 1990.

In another announcement, Paul Chastain, co-chief executive officer of Kinark, said the offer to sell its Camelot Hotel in Little Rock, Ark., at public auction on Dec. 19 had been withdrawn due to the absence of registered bidders. The company had set a minimum bid price of $2.5 million for the Little Rock hotel. Chastain said, "The property has a great deal of potential and efforts will continue to locate a qualified buyer."

Kinark Corporation, with corporate headquarters in Tulsa, operates chemical facilities in Chicago and Montgomery, Ala., and supports industrial/commercial construction and metals corrosion protection with galvanizing plants in Denver Louisville, Nashville, St. Louis, Houston and Hurst, Texas.

CONTACT: Paul R. Chastain, co-chief executive officer of Kinark, 918-494-0964

-30- 1489

#90354p5302 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - OCG Technology Inc. (OCGT) (NASDAQ: OCGT) announced today that it has agreed in principle to purchase an equity interest in Information Software Inc. ("ISI"). ISI -- a specialist in computer software -- has developed a highly sophisticated computer data base and software system to optimize solutions for the transportation, scheduling and distribution industries. The company is in the forefront of technological innovations in its niche of the transportation field. Its software is generally regarded as the "industry standard." Information Software, founded in 1986, last year reported revenues in excess of $1 million, and profits of more than $100,000. Current revenues are running at a rate of more than double last year's figure. Closing is conditioned upon the execution of a mutually acceptable contract and OCGT obtaining the financing necessary to consummate the transaction.

OCG Technology Inc. is engaged in the manufacture and sale of the Cardiointegraph, an instrument for the early detection of Coronary Artery Disease. The Cardiointegraph utilizes an internal computer to detect trends in heart rhythms which are too subtle to be detected with standard EKG's. OCG Technology has also developed additional state-of-the-art diagnostic products for the early detection and treatment of cardiovascular disease.

CONTACT: Edward C. Levine, president, OCG Technology Inc., 212-967-3079.

-30- 1633

#90354p5303 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN ANTONIO, TX (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Valero Energy Corp. (NYSE: VLO) has entered into agreements to privately place $200 million principal amount of Senior Notes with 12 institutional investors. The Senior Notes were sold at par, bear interest at 10.58 percent per annum and have a weighted average life of approximately 7.5 years and a final maturity of Dec. 30, 2000. Salomon Brothers Inc. and Lehman Brothers acted as placement agents for the offering.

Proceeds from issuance of the Senior Notes will be utilized primarily to fund capital expenditures including the construction of a hydrocracker and continuous catalyst regeneration reformer currently underway at the company's Corpus Christi, Texas refinery.

Valero Energy is involved primarily in specialized refining of high-sulfur atmospheric residual oil into premium products, such as unleaded gasoline, through its specialized refinery in Corpus Christi and in the marketing of those products. In addition, a wholly owned subsidiary of Valero is general partner of and has an approximate 49 percent interest in Valero Natural Gas Partners, L.P., which has a 7,200-mile network of natural gas transmission and gathering lines throughout Texas, purchases and sells natural gas to markets throughout Texas and the United States, provides third party gas transportation services, owns nine natural gas processing facilities and markets natural gas liquids.

CONTACT: Greg Wright of Valero Energy, 512-246-2444

-30- 1641

#90354p5304 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOBILE, AL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Morrison Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: MORR), at a meeting on Thursday, Dec. 20, in Mobile, declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 16 cents per share, payable on Jan. 31, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business on Jan. 4, 1991.

The company on Dec. 1 operated 169 Family Dining units, 130 Ruby Tuesdays, 32 L&N Seafood Grills, and 10 Silver Spoons. During the second quarter 11 Ruby Tuesdays and six L&N Seafood Grills, one Silver Spoon and one Family Dining unit were opened.

Operating results for the second quarter ended Dec. 1 were announced. Revenues were $245 million as compared with $229 million the previous year.

Net income was $7.4 million or 45 cents per share, as compared with $8.7 million, or 50 cents per share last year.

For the 26 weeks ended Dec. 1, revenues were $473 million as compared with $437 million the previous year.

Net income for the 26 weeks ended Dec. 1 was $12.3 million or 74 cents per share, as compared with $14.9 million, or 86 cents per share last year.

Morrison Inc. was founded in 1920 and operates Morrison's Family Dining units, Morrison's Specialty Restaurants, and Morrison's Custom Management Corp. (the contract feeding and management company).

CONTACT: Richard A. McGeoch of Morrison, 205-344-3000, ext. 2201

-30- 1532

#90354p5305 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The USS division of USX Corp. (NYSE: X) confirmed today it has reached a settlement in negotiations with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) of the U.S. Department of Labor involving a series of alleged health and safety violations at two of the company's plants in Pennsylvania.

The plants are the Clairton Works, near Pittsburgh, and Fairless Works, near Philadelphia.

Thomas W. Sterling, vice president-employee relations for USS, said the settlement came following lengthy negotiations between the company and OSHA.

"These were very tough negotiations," Sterling said. "There were many areas of substantial disagreement over the OSHA allegations."

"We continue to believe that both Clairton Works and Fairless Works are safe plants, consistent with our long-standing commitment to provide a safe and healthy workplace for all our employees. Throughout our organization, there is no higher priority than the safety and health of our people. Over the years, we have established a superb safety record and we continue in a safety leadership position in the steel industry."

Sterling, noting that OSHA originally sought $7.4 million in penalties for the alleged violations, said USS agreed to today's $3.25 million settlement, in part, to avoid lengthy and costly litigation.

During the negotiations, USS and OSHA agreed that certain conditions cited by OSHA should be corrected at the two plants. Sterling said these conditions either have been corrected or are being corrected. Many other items were withdrawn by OSHA during the negotiations.

In addition to steps taken at the two plants, Sterling said USS has agreed to take certain safety and health actions at its other steel plants. This will include placing renewed emphasis on existing company programs in the areas of hazard communication, hearing conservation, recordkeeping and crane inspection.

CONTACT: Thomas R. Ferrall of USX, 412-433-6899.

-30- 2154

#90354p5310 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Donald R. French, president of Westworld Resources Inc. announced today that the board of directors declared a 10 cent

per share special cash dividend on its Common Stock (10 cents per share par value) to shareholders of record as of 5:00 p.m. CST on Jan. 3, 1991. The dividend will be payable on Jan. 18, 1991.

Westworld Resources Inc. is a gold and silver mining company based in Houston.

CONTACT: Donald R. French or Jeffrey L. Powers, both of Westworld Resources Inc. 713-682-6111

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#90354p5315 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Analysts International Corporation (NASDAQ: ANLY) today declared the regular quarterly dividend of 14 cents per share of common stock, payable Feb. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record on Jan. 31, 1991. The company has 4,612,000 shares of common stock outstanding.

Analysts International Corporation is a Minneapolis-based computer software services company.

CONTACT: Curt Swenson of Swenson/Falker Associates Inc., 612-371-0000 for Analysts International; or Gerald McGrath of Analysts International, 612-835-2330

-30- 764

#90354p5316 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

EATONTOWN, NJ (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Roberts Pharmaceutical Corporation (NASDAQ: RPCX) and its U.K. subsidiary, Monmouth Pharmaceuticals Ltd. of Guildford, England, jointly announced today that the U.K. regulatory authorities have advised the company of the approvability of Somagard(R) (deslorelin; LHRHa) for central precocious puberty (CPP). CPP is a disorder in which young children, often five years or less, prematurely undergo the sex changes of puberty, resulting in psychosocial and sexual problems and abnormally short adult stature. Somagard reverses this derangement and delays puberty until an appropriate chronological age. Somagard is a potent agonist of LHRH and has been in clinical trials in North America and Europe since 1979 for precocious puberty, prostate cancer and endometriosis, a common gynecologic condition. The latter two indications for Somagard are the subject of continued clinical investigation.

The firm anticipates a final U.K. approval and launch of Somagard in the near future. "Monmouth currently markets a line of ethical pharmaceuticals in the U.K. and Ireland through a national sales and distribution network," said Roberts CEO, Robert Vukovich. "This national system will allow wide availability of Somagard to patients," he stated.

Roberts plans to file an EEC product license application for Somagard in precocious puberty through the common market procedure during 1991. Approval of the drug through this procedure will provide common market approvals and access to local European pharmaceutical markets. The firm is in discussions with potential EEC licensing partners and expects to identify one or more licensees during 1991. Somagard was licensed to Roberts by the Salk Institute.

Monmouth is currently marketing kidney stone and gall stone therapy products, Rowachol(R) and Rowatinex(R) in the U.K.; the cardiovascular MIDON(R), and the broad based Sinclair product line in Ireland. Two new cardiovascular products Betadur(TM) and Isomide(TM), are expected to be launched in the U.K. next year.

In the U.S., Roberts makes Somagard available to patients under an FDA approved cost recovery protocol. In addition, the firm sells a line of established OTC products recently acquired from the Upjohn Company.

Roberts Pharmaceutical Corporation, founded in 1983, is engaged in the business of acquiring, developing and marketing human pharmaceuticals in the United States and abroad for the treatment of cancer, respiratory disorders, cardiovascular diseases, endocrine and metabolic disorders, acute and chronic pain and urologic conditions. Roberts has a portfolio of pharmaceutical products in late stages of development which have significant therapeutic and commercial potential. In addition, the company has a range of products which it sells in the United States and abroad.

CONTACT: Anthony P. Maris of Roberts Pharmaceutical, 908-389-1182, or John F. Morris of Monmouth Pharmaceuticals, England 0483-65299

-30- 3200

#90354p5321 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB Corp. (NYSE: NCB) announced today that it will increase its allowance for loan and lease losses in the fourth quarter by $55 million to $65 million due to continuing weak economic conditions. At this time the company also expects net charge-offs to increase to approximately $125 million to $135 million in the fourth quarter, compared to $79 million in the previous quarter this year. This action is consistent with the company's statement last quarter that further increases in charge-offs and additions to the allowance might be necessary. If current economic conditions continue to deteriorate in 1991, the company would anticipate further additions to the allowance.

As a result of these increases, preliminary estimates for NCNB's net income for the year are in the range of $360 million to $370 million.

NCNB anticipates that the allowance at December 31, 1990 will total approximately $650 million to $660 million, compared to an allowance of $593

million at the end of the third quarter.

Nonperforming assets are expected to rise to $970 million to $1 billion at December 31, 1990. Included in this total are nonperforming loans of approximately $750 million, of which more than $350 million are paying interest. Nonperforming assets stood at $847 million at September 30, 1990.

NCNB Corp. is a bank holding company with approximately $66 billion in assets and more than 900 banking offices in seven states.

CONTACT: Russell J. Page, 704-386-5667, or Susan C. Carr, 704-386-8059, both of NCNB Corporation

-30- 1779

#90354p5324 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Seligman Growth Fund, the growth stock fund of the Seligman Group of Funds, today declared a dividend of 5 cents per share for the second half of 1990, payable Dec. 28 to shareholders of record Dec. 20. Shares of Seligman Growth Fund will be offered "ex-dividend" on Dec. 21, 1990.

Seligman Growth Fund is managed by J. & W. Seligman & Co. Incorporated, founded in 1864, an investment manager and advisor with over $7 billion in assets under management. The firm serves pension plans, institutions and individuals. In addition to the Seligman Group of Funds, with 30 portfolios, the firm manages Tri-Continental Corporation, the nation's largest equity closed-end investment company, and Seligman Select Municipal Fund, a closed-end tax exempt bond fund.

CONTACT: Ellen De Domenico of J. & W. Seligman & Co., 212-488-0382.

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#90354p5325 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Seligman Common Stock Fund, the growth and income mutual fund of the Seligman Group of Funds, today declared a fourth-quarter dividend of 11 cents per share, payable Dec. 28 to shareholders of record Dec. 20. Shares of Seligman Common Stock Fund will be offered "ex-dividend" on Dec. 21, 1990.

The dividend is the fund's 244th consecutive quarterly payment. Seligman Common Stock Fund is managed by J.& W. Seligman & Co., Incorporated, founded in 1864, an investment manager and advisor with more than $7 billion in assets under management. The firm serves pension plans, institutions and individuals. In addition to the Seligman Family of Mutual Funds, with 30 portfolios, the firm also manages Tri-Continental Corporation, the nation's largest equity closed- end investment company, and Seligman Select Municipal

Fund, a closed-end tax-exempt bond fund.

CONTACT: Ellen De Domenico of J. & W. Seligman & Co., 212-488-0382

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#90354p5326 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Seligman Income Fund, the income mutual fund of the Seligman Group of Funds, today declared a fourth quarter dividend of 28 cents per share, payable Dec. 28 to shareholders of record Dec. 20. Shares of Seligman Income Fund will be offered "ex-dividend" on Dec. 21, 1990.

The dividend is the fund's 175th consecutive quarterly payment. Seligman Income Fund is managed by J. & W. Seligman & Co. Incorporated, founded in 1864 an investment manager and advisor with over $7 billion in assets under management. The firm serves pension plans, institutions and individuals. In addition to the Seligman Family of Mutual Funds, with 30 portfolios, the firm also manages Tri- Continental Corporation, the nation's largest equity closed-end investment company, and Seligman Select Municipal Fund, a closed-end tax-exempt bond fund.

CONTACT: Ellen De Domenico of Seligman Income Fund, 212-488-0382

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#90354p5329 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CRYSTAL LAKE, IL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Sun Electric Corp. (NYSE: SE) announced today a plan to restructure its United States automotive diagnostic and test equipment business which will result in a charge of $2.2 million to the company's 1990 fourth quarter results.

Craig A. Loomis, executive vice president and president of Sun Electric North America, stated, "This restructuring, which will take approximately nine months to fully implement, is designed to accomplish two major objectives: improve the level of service and responsiveness to our markets and reduce the level of fixed overhead required to do so.

Included actions are a reorganization of our manufacturing and distribution operations so as to reduce product lead times, improve the efficiency of inventory investment and lower costs, and a restructuring of our field sales, service and training organization in order to increase our capability to respond to our customers' needs while, at the same time, reducing associated administrative costs."

The company anticipates that expected productivity improvements and cost reduction measures should help to offset the effects of competitive pricing pressure in the domestic marketplace. However, as the result of current

competitive pressures on margins, expenses associated with establishing the company's new service industry training program and start-up activities associated with the company's recently acquired line of air conditioning freon recovery equipment, the company expects a net loss in the fourth quarter prior to the inclusion of the aforementioned $2.2 million restructuring charge and the previously disclosed fourth quarter tax expense of $0.7 million associated with certain foreign dividend remittances.

Sun Electric Corp. is primarily engaged in the design, manufacture, marketing and service of diagnostic, test and service equipment for the motor vehicle service industry and motor vehicle manufacturers in more than 100 countries.

CONTACT: Martin M. Ellen of Sun Electric, 815-459-7700.

-30- 2238

#90354p5333 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Ziff Communications Co. announced today that it will acquire Interop, Inc., the leading provider of seminars and trade shows that address strategic computer connectivity issues. Interop will continue to be headed by Dan Lynch, an internetworking pioneer who founded the company in 1985.

The acquisition of Interop positions Ziff, the nation's largest computer publishing firm, at the heart of an issue that is of acute concern to most corporate decision makers. Many of them spent the 1980s assembling a disparate mix of mainframe, mini- and micro-computers. Now they must link these myriad systems to form enterprise-wide networks that will transform the ways in which employees of the '90s work with each other and with suppliers and customers.

"The power of the applications that will be unleashed when computing is delivered from its current Tower of Babel will be truly remarkable," said William B. Ziff, Jr., chairman of Ziff Communications Co. "What the emergence of standard operating systems did for personal computing 10 years ago, the advent of interoperability will do for computer networking today. And Interop thanks to Dan Lynch's vision, provides the ideal forum for new connectivity applications to be unveiled, tried and tested."

Interop is best known as sponsor of the flourishing Interop(R) trade show, which has been growing at a more than 50 percent annual rate since its debut as a conference five years ago. The October 1991 exposition in San Jose, Calif. attracted 22,000 attendees and 190 exhibitors. Interop is unique among shows for its focus on demonstrating real-world internetworking solutions -- thus its insistence that appropriate exhibitors hook into a live show network to demonstrate the ability of their products to work with other systems. In 1990 the Interop staff, aided by dozens of industry volunteers, spent a marathon session stringing some 31 miles of cabling to build the show network.

Interop attracts managers, executives and engineers responsible for finding connectivity solutions for their companies. Attendees scrutinize actual applications of the Interop exhibition floor and about 5,000 of them sign up for concurrent in-depth seminars to learn more about such things as fiber-optic networking, network design and management, open systems and PC LAN and WAN network connectivity.

Ziff Communications, through Ziff-Davis Publishing Company, is the leading publisher of computer publications; titles include PC Magazine, PC Week, PC/computing, Computer Shopper, PC Sources, MacWeek and MacUser. Ziff also provides detailed computer market statistics through its Computer Intelligence unit and produces computer Library, a desktop reference source that compiles information from some 120 computer magazines. Information Access Company, another Ziff firm, is a leading supplier of indexed and full text periodicals to libraries and corporate researchers.

In October 1990, Ziff announced that it had acquired the four Seybold companies, producers of newsletters, conferences and expositions on the use of computers in publishing and multimedia applications.

CONTACT: Philip Korsant of Ziff Communications, 212-503-3531, or Dan Lynch of Interop, 415-941-3399.

-30- 3459

#90354p5336 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - American Savings & Loan Association of Florida (NASDAQ: ASLA) ("ASLA") announced today that the regular quarterly cash dividend on its $2.19 Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A next scheduled for payment on Jan. 1, 1991 would be omitted. Holders of the Series A Preferred Stock are reminded of their continuing right to convert their shares to cash at any time for $16.40 per share. Less than 100,000 shares of the Preferred Stock remain outstanding.

CONTACT: Alan B. Goldstein, corporate secretary of American Savings & Loan Association of Florida, 305-770-2093

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#90354p5338 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON, DC (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - A special calling plan for those who want to make conference calls with far away families and friends during the holidays was announced today by MCI Communications Corp.

MCI's new Family Reunion plan, available 24 hours a day from Dec. 22 through midnight on Jan. 13, 1991, offers a personal conference call service at special holiday rates. Calls may be linked from anywhere in the United States

to any domestic and most direct dial international destinations. Callers do not have to be MCI customers.

To use the MCI Family Reunion plan, callers contact an MCI operator by dialing 1-800-444-REUNION 24 hours in advance to schedule a time for the call. MCI operators will arrange the conference call for the exact time requested.

Calls may be billed to Visa, MasterCard or the Discover Card. Family Reunion rates are 50 cents per minute per location for domestic calls and calls to Canada. Rates for calls to MCI's international locations are $1.50 per minute per location. There is no set-up charge for either domestic or international calls. The originating or "host" caller will receive a charge card bill for the call.

"MCI's Family Reunion calling is an easy, economic way for families and friends to connect during the busy holiday period," said Timothy Price, senior vice president of sales and marketing for MCI's Consumer Division. "This holiday season, due to rising travel costs and a softer economy, more and more families are expected to use the telephone as a way of staying in touch."

Normally, the conference calling service is geared to the needs of businesses, Price said. "This promotional offering is unique in that residential consumers can take advantage of MCI's audio conferencing capabilities at reduced rates," he added.

MCI, with 1989 revenue of approximately $6.5 billion, is the nation's second largest long-distance provider. MCI supplies a full range of voice and data telecommunications services to business and residential customers and government agencies.

CONTACT: MCI Corporate News Bureau, 1-800-289-0073 or 202-887-3000.

-30- 2324

#90354p5341 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Belmac Corporation (AMEX: BLM) announced today that it is purchasing the rights to a new advanced form of erythromycin antibiotic through the settlement of litigation with Pharmacin Corporation and certain of its shareholders.

This new second generation erythromycin, which has been approved for sale in France, is licensed to Bristol Myers Squibb for marketing and distribution in 26 countries under the trade name, Odocine(R).

A letter agreement has been signed by Belmac and all the stockholders of Pharmacin that sets forth the terms on which the settlement of the litigation is to be consummated. All of the outstanding common stock of Pharmacin is to be purchased by Belmac for a combination of cash and common stock of Belmac.

The letter agreement requires that definitive agreements be executed and the settlement be effected on or prior to Jan. 22, 1991.

Erythromycins typically are used for the treatment of common bacterial infections such as bronchitis, pneumonia, skin infections, ear nose and throat infections, and sexually transmitted diseases. The new product provides improved absorption, thus reducing the required dosage level and side effects associated with other forms of erythromycin. The worldwide market for the macrolide class of antibiotics, of which this product is one, is reported by IMS to exceed $1.5 billion annually. Belmac expects marketing of the drug to commence in 1991 in France and certain third world countries.

In a joint statement, Dr. Jean-Francois Rossignol, Belmac's chief executive officer, and John A. Macleod, Pharmacin's chief executive officer, stated that "the agreement represents a fair settlement of the litigation for all parties and that our differences are now behind us." Dr. Rossignol added that Belmac "looks forward to the successful marketing of Odocine(R)."

CONTACT: James Brussow, director of investor relations of Belmac Corporation, 813-286-4401.

-30- 2153

#90354p5342 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAHLEQUAH, OK (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - American Nursery Products Inc. (NASDAQ: ANSY) announced operating results for the three and six months ended Nov. 30, 1990. The company's interim results of operations reflect the seasonality of the nursery business as most shipments are made during the period February through May while operational costs are incurred throughout the year.

Consolidated net sales for the six months ended Nov. 30, 1990, were $8,989,000 compared with $9,036,000 for the same period last year. The net loss was $2,273,000 or $.61 per share compared with a net loss of $1,985,000 or $.54 per share last year.

Consolidated net sales for the three months ended Nov. 30, 1990, were $3,897,000 compared with $4,081,000 for the same period last year. The net loss was $1,290,000 or $.35 per share compared to a net loss of $1,047,000 or $.28 per share for the second quarter last year.

American Nursery Products Inc. is principally engaged in the business of growing trees, ornamental plants and foliage plants for distribution on a wholesale basis. The company is headquartered in Tahlequah, Okla., and owns and leases nursery farm properties and warehouse facilities in the states of Alabama, Florida, Iowa, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon and the Republic of Guatemala.

AMERICAN NURSERY PRODUCTS INC.

CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(UNAUDITED)

	3 Months Ended Nov. 30		6 Months Ended Nov. 30,	
	1990	1898	1990	1989
Net Sales	$3,897,000	$4,081,000	$8,989,000	$9,036,000
Net Loss	$1,290,000	$1,047,000	$2,273,000	$1,985,000
Net Loss Per Share	$.35	$.28	$.61	$.54
Average Number of Shares Outstanding	3,713,996	3,691,606	3,712,995	3,691,606

CONTACT: Jim Murphy of American Nursery Products Inc., 918-456-0703

-30- 2215

#90354p5345 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - James E. Rohr, chairman and chief executive officer of Pittsburgh National Bank, a PNC (NYSE: PNC) bank, today announced the appointment of two new members to the bank's board of directors.

Thomas A. McConomy, president and chairman of the board of Calgon Carbon Corp. (NASDAQ: CRBN), and Thomas J. Usher, president of the USS division of USX Corp. (NYSE: X), became directors effective immediately.

The directors also voted to increase the size of the board from 21 to 23 members.

Rohr said, "We welcome Tom McConomy and Tom Usher to our board of directors. Pittsburgh National is fortunate to have the benefit of their extensive business experience and broad perspective."

McConomy, prior to becoming president and chairman, was vice president and general manager of the Activated Carbon Division of Calgon Corp., a subsidiary of Merck & Co. Inc.

During McConomy's 35-year association with Calgon operations, he has held a variety of positions, including business director of the environmental group and director of Calgon Adsorption Systems.

Usher began his career with USS in the industrial engineering department in Pittsburgh in 1966. He was named executive vice president-heavy products in July 1986, when USS became the steelmaking and domestic ore producing unit of the newly formed USX Corp., and he assumed his current post in 1990.

Usher is currently president of the Association of Iron and Steel Engineers.

PNC Financial Corp, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is the nation's 15th-largest bank holding company with assets of $45.7 billion. PNC was formed in 1983 with

the consolidation of Pittsburgh National Corp., Pittsburgh, and Provident National Corp., Philadelphia. Its principal banking affiliates include: Bank of Delaware Corp., Wilmington, Del.; The Central Bancorporation Inc., Cincinnati (includes banks in Ohio and Kentucky); Citizens Fidelity Corp., Louisville, Ky. (includes banks in Kentucky and Indiana); The First Bank and Trust Co., Mechanicsburg, Pa.; The Hershey Bank, Hershey, Pa.; Marine Bank, Erie, Pa.; Northeastern Bank of Pennsylvania, Scranton, Pa.; Pittsburgh National Bank, Pittsburgh; Provident National Bank, Philadelphia; PNC National Bank, Wilmington, Del.; and PNC National Bank of New Jersey, Cherry Hill, N.J. PNC currently operates 535 community banking offices in Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, Delaware and New Jersey. It also conducts business through additional offices in 15 states.

CONTACT: Earl J. Bohn of PNC Financial, 412-762-2477.

-30- 2762

#90354p5346 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PASADENA, CA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (NYSE: JEC) today announced that its board of directors has adopted a Stockholder Rights Plan designed to assure that all stockholders would receive fair and equal treatment in any takeover of the company and to protect stockholders from partial tender offers and other abusive takeover tactics to gain control of the company without paying all stockholders a fair price. The plan provides for the distribution of the right for each share of common stock outstanding on Jan. 4, 1991.

In making the announcement, Joseph J. Jacobs, chairman of the board, stated that "the Jacobs Engineering Group Rights Plan will not, and is not intended to, prevent a takeover of the company on terms that are fair to and in the best interest of all stockholders. It will, however, encourage any person seeking to acquire the company to negotiate with the board prior to attempting a takeover."

The Rights Plan provides that in the event any person becomes the beneficial owner of 15 percent or more of the outstanding common shares, each right (other than a right held by the 15 percent stockholder) will be exercisable, on and after the close of business on the 10th day of business day following such event, to purchase Jacobs Engineering Group common shares having a market value equal to two times the then current exercise price (initially $90). The plan further provides that if, on or after the occurrence of such event, the company is merged into any other corporation or 50 percent or more of the company's assets or earning power are sold, each right (other than a right held by the 15 percent stockholder) will be exercisable to purchase common shares of the acquiring corporation having a market value equal to two times the exercise price.

The Rights expire on Dec. 20, 2000, and are subject to redemption by the board

of directors at $.01 per right at any time prior to the first date upon which they become exercisable to purchase common shares.

Jacobs Engineering Group will provide stockholders with further details of the Rights Plan in a letter to be mailed in January.

Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. provides single-source environmental and hazardous waste management, consulting, engineering, design, architectural, construction, construction management, contract maintenance, and operation services to governmental and industry worldwide.

CONTACT: John W. Prosser Jr. of Jacobs Engineering Group Inc., 213-681-3781.

-30- 2693

#90354p5350 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlas Corp. (NYSE: AZ) announced today the successful transition of mining and milling from the company's original Gold Bar deposit to ores mined from the Goldstone satellite deposit. Goldstone is the first of three satellite deposits in the area to be brought on-line. This represents the culmination of five months of pre-development work.

Richard R. Weaver, president and chief executive officer of Atlas, stated, "After a difficult beginning to our fiscal year resulting from reduced gold production from refractory ores, output from our Gold Bar Mill is once again at planned levels. The second quarter has seen a number of operational accomplishments: record monthly production of over 8,600 ounces in November, completion of pre-development activities at the Goldstone and Gold Ridge mining areas, and the commencement of treatment of lower-cost oxide ores from the Goldstone deposit. Our plans for production of approximately 80,000 ounces of gold in fiscal 1991 remain unchanged. Because of the higher ore haulage costs and lower head grades associated with the satellite deposits, Atlas expects production costs to increase compared to fiscal 1990, but to remain favorable when compared to the industry average." The three satellite deposits -- Goldstone, Gold Ridge and Gold Pick -- contain 550,000 ounces of proven and probable mineable gold reserves and represent continued production for the company into 1996.

The program for permitting at the company's Grassy Mountain project is proceeding as scheduled. Atlas has reviewed, with the assistance of Kilborn Engineering (B.C.) Ltd. and Dynatec Mining Contractors, the possibility of developing an underground mine to allow early access to a high grade ore zone in the deposit. These studies show that this underground mine, developed in conjunction with the open-pit operation, would provide for mining of the total deposit, approximately 996,000 ounces of proven and probable gold reserves, and improve project economics.

Atlas is a mining company whose primary business is gold exploration and

production. The company has exploration efforts underway in several western states, with significant gold discoveries in Nevada and Oregon. The company currently has the capacity to produce approximately 80,000 ounces of gold per year from its Gold Bar Mill in Nevada and is planning to produce approximately 100,000 additional ounces of gold per year from its Grassy Mountain deposit, beginning by mid-1993.

CONTACT: Robbin A. Lee of Atlas Corp., 303-825-1200.

-30- 2761

#90354p5353 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ANN ARBOR, MI (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Great Lakes Bancorp (NASDAQ-NMS: GLBC) declared fourth-quarter dividends on the bank's common and preferred stock.

Holders of common stock will received 20 cents per share. Holders of preferred stock will receive $2.50 per share. Both dividends will be paid Jan. 15 to recordholders as of Jan. 1, 1991.

It will be Great Lakes' 24th consecutive dividend on its common stock since the bank began paying dividends in April 1985. Owners of preferred stock will receive their second quarterly dividend following the issuance of those shares in June. That offering generated $27 million in capital for the bank.

Under regulations issued this summer, Great Lakes has filed the customary request asking the Office of Thrift Supervision for approval of the payment of the dividends.

Great Lakes Bancorp has 52 branches in Michigan and operates Dollar Federal Savings Bank, a subsidiary in the north-Cincinnati area. Great Lakes also operates Great Lakes Mortgage Co., a mortgage banking subsidiary. With $3.7 billion in assets, Great Lakes Bancorp is Michigan's second-largest savings bank.

CONTACT: James S. Patterson of Great Lakes Bancorp, 313-769-8300, Ext. 4116

-30- 1417

#90354p5354 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DENVER (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The former creditors of Kaiser Steel Corp. filed a brief in federal appeals court which re-asserts their right to recover payments made to shareowners in connection with the 1984 leveraged buyout of the company. They claim that these payments were fraudulent under California law.

The former creditors are represented by KSC Recovery Inc., a subsidiary of Kaiser Steel Resources which is the successor of Kaiser Steel. In early 1987,

Kaiser Steel filed for Chapter 11 protection under the federal Bankruptcy Code and emerged from bankruptcy in late 1988 as Kaiser Steel Resources.

KSC Recovery is pursuing claims in excess of $200 million related to the 1984 LBO. All funds recovered will be returned to the former creditors. The two largest creditor groups are the nearly 7,000 former steelworkers and the federal government. The employees lost almost half a billion dollars in medical and other benefits following the LBO. The Federal Pension Benefit Guarantee Corp. has unpaid claims in excess of $200 million.

Kaiser's brief challenges the position taken last week before the same court by the Securities and Exchange Commission. The agency asserted that permitting Kaiser to recover such payments would cause potential investors to shy away from buying stock in potential leveraged buyout companies or selling their stock before an LBO takes effect.

In its court filing Kaiser said that recovering fraudulent conveyances from beneficial shareowners has nothing to do with the market mechanisms Congress sought to protect in Section 546 (e) of the federal Bankruptcy Code.

Kaiser said that its attempt to recover fraudulent payments from the corporation's beneficial shareowners in no way implicates the securities market because it does not seek recovery from a stockbroker who was acting in his capacity as a stockholder.

Kaiser's brief was filed this week with the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver.

CONTACT: Michael S. Sitrick or David McAdam of Sitrick and Co., 213-208-1108.

-30- 2248

#90354p5356 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BETHPAGE, NY (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Grumman Corporation (NYSE: GQ) announced today that Thomas A. Guarino has resigned as president of Grumman Systems Group effective immediately. No replacement has been announced.

Guarino stated, "Although I am innocent of any wrong doing, suggestions created by Newsday articles may undermine the confidence people must feel in me as president of the Systems Group. I reached this painful decision out of the respect that I feel for the people of Grumman and others, in government and industry, with whom I have worked. I have always sought the constructive solution; in this case, I believe that requires my resignation."

The Systems Group is a combination of three Grumman operating divisions under a single senior management team. The units are Electronics Systems, Great River, N.Y.; Melbourne Systems, Melbourne, Fla.; and Space Systems, Bethpage, N.Y. Systems Group was established in April 1989. Its three divisions apply

many of the same technologies to integrate complex electronics and software systems. Programs range from manufacturing electronic components and automatic test equipment for sophisticated military hardware to developing state-of-the-art airborne and space-based surveillance platforms.

The presidents of these divisions now report to Renso L. Caporali, chairman and chief executive officer.

Grumman Corporation is best known as a leading maker of military aircraft and aerospace systems. Other businesses include integrated information processing systems, emergency vehicles and aluminum truck bodies. The company has headquarters at Bethpage, and employs 26,100 worldwide. Sales in 1989 were $3.56 billion.

CONTACT: Miriam L. Reid, of Grumman, 516-575-3999.

-30- 1916

#90354p5357 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PETERSBURG, FL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Templeton Global Governments Income Trust (NYSE: TGG), today announced a monthly dividend from net investment income of $0.075 per share and a distribution from capital gains realized on foreign exchange of $0.035 per share, both payable Jan. 14, 1991, to shareholders of record Dec. 31, 1990.

CONTACT: Thomas M. Mistele of Templeton Global Governments Income Trust, 800-237-0738, ext. 7660.

-30- 612

#90354p5358 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

RESTON, VA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Systems Center, Inc. (NYSE: SMX) today disclosed that anticipated earnings from operations for the fourth quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990, are expected to be profitable, but substantially lower than current market expectations.

Systems Center, Inc. develops, markets and supports systems and network software. The company offers over 50 products that assist in the automation, management and control of mixed computing environments.

CONTACT: Kevin McNerney of Systems Center, Inc., 703-264-8000.

-30- 693

#90354p5360 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Duff & Phelps Utilities Income Inc. (NYSE: DNP), a closed end investment company, today declared a dividend on its common stock of 10 cents per share payable Jan. 10, 1991, to shareholders of record

Dec. 31, 1990. With this dividend, total monthly dividends over the past 12 months will aggregate 76 cents per share.

The fund is expected to resume its regular 6 cents per share monthly dividend in February 1991.

CONTACT: Richard Spletzer, CFA of Duff & Phelps, 312-368-5510.

-30- 686

#90354p5362 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - FSI International, Inc. (NASDAQ: FSII) today reported lower sales and a loss for the fiscal 1991 first quarter ended Nov. 24, 1990. The company had previously announced that it expected a loss for the period.

First-quarter sales decreased to $9.8 million from $14.0 million in the year-earlier period. The company had a net loss of $1.8 million, or $.45 per share, versus net income of $.5 million, or $.12 per share, last year.

According to FSI President and Chief Executive Officer Richard H. Jackson, "The sales decline occurred primarily in our spray processor product line, combined with the delay of some shipments into the second quarter. Because of the current semiconductor industry softness, many manufacturers are delaying expansion programs, which resulted in fewer multiple-system shipments compared with the first quarter of fiscal 1990. We continue to receive one- and two-unit orders, however, from a broad customer base."

During the quarter, FSI further lowered its breakeven point by reducing staff and cutting operating expense. This led to a one-time, after-tax charge of approximately $130,000, or $.03 per share.

"We are seeing results from our strong sales and marketing efforts," continued Jackson. "First-quarter orders rose significantly, compared with the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990. The improvement included a $3.5 million order for our chemical management and delivery system. Due to stronger order and shipment activity, we anticipate that FSI's 1991 second quarter will show marked improvement over the first-quarter loss."

FSI International, Inc. is a leader in producing automated surface conditioning equipment for processing silicon wafers. The company develops, manufactures, markets and services centrifugal spray processing systems, photoresist processing equipment, gas processing systems, and chemical management and delivery systems for use in the fabrication of advanced semiconductor integrated circuits. FSI's customers include semiconductor manufacturers located throughout North America, Europe, Japan and the Far East.

FSI INTERNATIONAL, INC.

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA
(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA)

	First Quarter Ended	
	11/24/90	11/25/89
	(Unaudited)	
Income statement data:		
Sales	$ 9,796	$13,950
Gross profit	3,166	5,714
Selling, general & Administrative expenses	3,269	3,221
Research and development expenses	2,194	2,101
Operating income (loss)	(2,297)	391
Interest expense	(67)	(48)
Other income (expense), net	(13)	35
Income (loss) before income taxes	(2,378)	379
Income taxes (benefit)	(616)	137
Equity in earnings (loss) of affiliates	(29)	268
Net income (loss)	(1,791)	510
Net income (loss) per common share	$(.45)	$.12
Weighted average common shares	4,012	4,117

	11/24/90	8/25/90
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Balance sheet data: Assets:		
Receivables/net	$11,433	$13,741
Inventories	9,104	9,302
Total current assets	25,304	27,515
Total assets	32,017	34,293
Liabilities and equity:		
Short-term debt	3,094	2,928
Total current liabilities	10,578	11,014
Long-term debt	341	367
Stockholders' equity	20,824	22,615

CONTACT: Richard Jackson, 612-448-8002 or Benno Sand, 612-448-8936, both of FSI International, Inc.; or Marian Briggs of Padilla Speer Beardsley, Inc., 612-871-8877, for FSI

-30- 4443

#90354p5363 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WESTBOROUGH, MA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - New England Electric System (NEES) (NYSE: NES) today reported earnings for the 11 months ended Nov. 1990 of $3.70 per average share. This compares to $1.90 earned in the corresponding period last year on fewer average shares. NEES earnings for the first 11 months of this year were increased by approximately $1.75 per share due to the reversal

of a portion of a 1988 write-down, which amounted to $1.80 per share, offset by a 5 cents per share loss from the sale of NEES' energy management subsidiary, NEES Energy, Inc., in Nov. 1990. The 1988 write-down resulted from a rate settlement involving the Seabrook I nuclear unit. In addition, earnings for the first 11 months of 1990 were decreased by 7 cents per share due to a seasonal rate design implemented by NEES' wholesale generation subsidiary, New England Power Company (NEP). This seasonal rate design involves higher rates during peak months and lower rates during off-peak months. It was designed to have no significant impact on earnings during a full year.

As previously reported, the adjustments related to Seabrook I reflect the terms of a 1988 NEP rate settlement approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Under the settlement, in 1988 NEP took a $179 million after-tax write down of its Seabrook I investment, assuming that the unit would be cancelled. In fact, Seabrook I entered commercial service. Accordingly, NEP reversed a portion of the 1988 write-down, which increased net income by $115 million, or $1.80 per share.

Many decisions made during the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's licensing of Seabrook I are being appealed and investigated. The Seabrook plant and nuclear power remain controversial, and challenges to both continue. NEP does not believe that pending appeals will result in the permanent withdrawal from service or cancellation of Seabrook I. However, if this should occur, NEP could be required to cease collecting revenue permitted by its 1988 rate settlement and/or make refunds and lower rates for five years depending upon the circumstances. A write-down could be required at that time.

NEW ENGLAND ELECTRIC SYSTEM AND SUBSIDIARIES (CONSOLIDATED)

	11 months ended Nov. 30	
	1990(a)	1989
Operating revenue	$1,668,804,000	$1,478,098,000
Net income	$236,130,000	$111,054,000
Average common shares	63,768,207	58,459,773
Net income per average share	$3.70	$1.90

	12 Months ended Nov. 30	
	1990(a)	1989
Operating revenue	$1,833,905,000	$1,612,109,000
Net income	$263,726,000	$115,997,000
Average common shares	63,702,310	58,387,699
Net income per average share	$4.14	$1.99

(a) As previously discussed, earnings per average share for the 11 and 12 months ended November 1990 were increased by $1.80 and $1.81, respectively, due to a reversal of a portion of the 1988 Seabrook rate settlement write-down. Partially offsetting these amounts was a 5 cents per share loss

from the sale of NEES Energy, Inc.

As previously reported, earnings per average share for the 12 months ended November 1990 were also increased by 17 cents due to the December 1989 sale of a subsidiary's interest in a joint venture that owned and operated a coal-carrying ship.

CONTACT: Linwood B. Stockwell of New England Electric Systems, 508-366-9011 (days) or 508-366-8794 (evenings).

-30- 3941

#90354p5367 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - SciMed Life Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: SMLS) announced today record sales and earnings for the three months ended Nov. 30, 1990.

Sales for the quarter were $28,693,000, an increase of 50 percent over sales of $19,170,000 in the prior year. Net earnings for the quarter were $7,324,000, or $.50 per share, compared to $4,865,000, or $.37 per share, in the prior year.

Dale Spencer, president and CEO, commented that these results include initial sales of the Shadow(TM), the company's latest coronary balloon angioplasty catheter, which was introduced in November.

SciMed Life Systems, Inc., develops, manufactures and markets specialty medical products used to treat cardiovascular disease. The principal product line consists of percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty (PTCA) catheters and related disposable products.

SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS, INC. STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS
(UNAUDITED)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	11/30/90	11/30/89	11/30/90	11/30/89
Net sales	$28,693,000	$19,170,000	$78,992,000	$46,605,000
Cost of sales	7,797,000	5,014,000	20,849,000	12,874,000
Gross profit	20,896,000	14,156,000	58,143,000	33,731,000
Operating expenses:				
Selling, general and administrative	8,545,000	5,670,000	23,723,000	14,131,000
Research and development	1,526,000	953,000	3,846,000	2,251,000
Operating profit	10,825,000	7,533,000	30,574,000	17,349,000
Interest and other income, net	911,000	189,000	2,479,000	484,000
Earnings before income taxes	11,736,000	7,722,000	33,053,000	17,833,000

Income taxes	4,412,000	2,857,000	12,343,000	6,295,000
Net earnings	$7,324,000	$4,865,000	$20,710,000	$11,538,000
Primary earnings per common share	$.50	$.37	$1.44	$.89
Fully diluted earnings per common share	$.49	$.35	$1.38	$.84
Weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding	14,631,000	13,093,000	14,336,000	12,925,000

CONTACT: Craig R. Dvorak of SciMed Life Systems, 612-420-0832

-30- 2458

#90354p5368 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WARREN, OH (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - CSC Industries, Inc. announced today the completion of a transaction whereby the company will receive $17.5 million of new equity. Of this figure, $14.5 million is in the form of cash in exchange for 11.6 million newly issued shares of common stock. Daido Steel Co., Ltd., a principal shareholder of CSC, purchased 5,840,000 shares, and each of C.Itoh & Co., Ltd., Marubeni Corporation, and Okaya & Co., Ltd., purchased 1,920,000 shares. The remaining $3.0 million of equity infusion came from IMETAL of Paris through the conversion of $3.0 million of debt into 2.4 million shares of new common stock.

This transaction increases the total outstanding shares of common stock from 8,744,915 to 22,744,915. Daido's ownership percent has now increased from 32.5 percent to 38.2 percent; each of the three Japanese Trading Companies owns 8.4 percent; IMETAL's ownership reduced from 32.5 percent to 23 percent; and the ownership by other shareholders decreased from 35.0 percent to 13.5 percent.

It is anticipated that the additional equity would be used to finance a capital spending program designed to complement the newly modernized 12-inch bar mill by increasing the melt shop teeming capacity by 18 percent and providing facilities that improve the surface and internal quality inspection of billets for the mill. The spending plan includes improvements to the company's 35-inch rolling mill complex to provide improved surface quality, material handling, and metallurgical cooling of the products of this mill. A non- destructive testing facility for finished bar products, as well as finishing material handling improvements for manufacturing cost reductions, are also included in the plan.

Application of the proceeds from the proposed equity financing would bring the total capital spending for the Warren plant of CSC Industries, Inc. to $38.3 million over an 18-month period, and reaffirms Copperweld Steel's commitment to producing excellent quality for its customers.

CONTACT: W. Lawrence Weeks of the Copperweld Steel Company, 216-841-6500.

-30- 2284

#90354p5369 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Caron K has joined Deborah Schindler and Ezra Swerdlow, effective Nov. 5, as creative executive of Schindler-Swerdlow Productions, in charge of scouting literary properties and original screenplays, story editing and development. Caron K was formerly vice-president of Lynn C. Franklin Associates, heading up the film division, functioning as the New York-based scout for A & M Films and Richard Roth Productions. She was also co- director of foreign scouting for the international literary agency.

Deborah Schindler and Ezra Swerdlow recently signed a two-year first-look production deal for their New York-based company with Twentieth Century Fox. Schindler, a former vice-president of creative affairs and development executive/producer with Columbia Pictures was associate producer on Martin Scorsese's "After Hours." Swerdlow is currently executive producer of Mel Brooks' "Life Stinks." He previously produced "The January Man" and "Everybody Wins," and served as associate producer on Woody Allen's "Hannah and Her Sisters" and "Radio Days."

Twentieth Century Fox is primarily engaged in the financing, development, production, distribution and marketing of motion pictures throughout the world and is a unit of Fox Inc.

CONTACT: Terry Clifford of Twentieth Century Fox, 213-203-2497

-30- 1518

#90354p5370 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlantic Research, a unit of Sequa Corporation (NYSE: SQA), has won a contract estimated at $60 million for work on the U.S. Army's Electromagnetic Environmental Test Facility (EMETF) at Fort Huachuca, Ariz. The Defense Systems Division of the ARC Professional Services Group was awarded the five year contract, with Martin Marietta as a subcontractor.

The EMETF is responsible for assessing the performance of the Army's communications-electronics systems and equipment within their intended electromagnetic environments. ARC, which has 35 years experience in electromagnetic interference and compatibility, will provide modeling, computer simulation, and field and laboratory testing. These will measure the integrity of the system against radio frequency and electromagnetic interference and will test compatibility with combat platforms and systems. Martin Marietta will provide resources in data and information systems for

EMETF.

Atlantic Research's Professional Services Group supplies engineering, scientific and management support to both government and commercial clients. Through its Aerospace Group, ARC is also a leading developer and producer of solid propellant rocket motors, gas generators, liquid propulsion systems and advanced composite materials.

Atlantic Research is a unit of Sequa Corporation, a diversified technology-based company with principal interests in the fields of aerospace, machinery and metal coatings, marine transportation, specialty chemicals, and professional and technical services.

CONTACT: Linda G. Kyriakou of Sequa, 212-986-5500

-30- 1810
#90354p5373 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Sunshine Mining Co. (NYSE: SSC) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Sunshine International Exploration Co. has entered into a joint venture agreement with Mallon Mining Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of Mallon Resources Corp., and with Red Rock Ventures Inc., for the conduct of gold mining operations and exploration in the Guanacaste Province of Costa Rica.

The joint venture will be known as the "Rio Chiquito Mining Company." Sunshine Mining Co. has the option to earn a 50 percent interest in and become the manager of the venture after complete analysis of all available data including a recently completed 13,000 foot drilling program. If Sunshine elects to proceed, Mallon will retain a 35 percent interest in the project while Red Rock Ventures will retain 15 percent.

The 36 hole drilling program, designed to define a minimum of 300,000 ounces of gold which could be mined starting as early as mid-1991 by open pit methods was completed on Dec. 10. The preliminary assay results from the first 30 holes indicate that 16 holes contain ore grade mineralization across mineable widths, while 11 holes intersected mineralization in excess of .10 ounces per ton gold. The widest intercept assayed .149 ounces per ton gold across 79 feet: the best grade intercept to date is 14.8 feet at .484 ounces per ton gold. This initial drilling program investigated only one of four major target areas on the 15,000 acre concession area. It is believed that the potential of the concession could exceed 1 million ounces of gold.

CONTACT: Harry B. Ireland of Sunshine Mining Co., 214-855-8799

-30- 1836
#90354p5376 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DEL. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Delmarva Power & Light Co. (NYSE: DEW) today declared a regular dividend of 38-1/2 cents per share on the common stock this date for payment Jan. 31, 1991, to stockholders of record Jan. 11.

"As a result of growth in the 1980s, the company is once again in a construction cycle and will need to invest capital to meet growing customer needs. The decision of the board of directors not to increase the dividend was based on concerns going into this cycle, including the uncertainty of the impact of a general slowdown in the economy and the uncertainty of future earnings from the company's non-utility subsidiary businesses," according to Nevius M. Curtis, chairman of the board of directors.

CONTACT: Wallace C. Judd Jr. of Delmarva Power & Light Co., 302-429-3595

-30- 1016

#90354p5377 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - AM Diagnostics, Inc. (NASDAQ: AMJI) today announced results for the period from Sept. 17, 1990, to Sept. 30, 1990. The company also announced results from July 1, 1990, through Sept. 16, 1990, for its predecessor company, American Monitor Corporation.

As previously announced, American Monitor closed its Sixth Amended Plan of Reorganization effective Sept. 17, 1990. At that time, American Monitor reorganized, recapitalized and began operating under the new name of AM Diagnostics, Inc.

AM DIAGNOSTICS, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except per-share amounts)

	AM DIAGNOSTICS, INC. Sept. 17, 1990 through Sept. 30, 1990
Net sales	$ 902
Net loss	($314)
Net loss per share of common stock	($0.01)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	23,787

	PREDECESSOR COMPANY July 1, 1990, through Sept. 16, 1990	Three months ended Sept. 30, 1989
Net sales	$ 5,018	$ 5,874
Net loss	($2,962)	($1,190)
Net loss per share of		

common stock	($0.35)	($0.14)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	8,350	8,350

AM Diagnostics, Inc. manufactures and markets automated blood chemistry testing equipment and the associated consumable diagnostic reagents to the worldwide health-care market.

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DALLAS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas Industries Inc. (NYSE: TXI) today reported a net loss of $1.7 million for the second quarter ending Nov. 30, 1990. Last year's loss for the similar period was $1.4 million.

"Results for the cement/concrete operations were improved compared to a year ago but higher costs reduced Chaparral Steel's income," stated Robert D. Rogers, president. "Overall, current trends are positive; and if a severe recession is not in store, better results can be expected."

Texas Industries, a FORTUNE 500 company, is a leading producer of steel and construction materials, including cement, aggregates and concrete.

Texas Industries, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Summary of Earnings (Unaudited)
(In thousands except per share)

	Quarter Ended Nov. 30, 1990	Quarter Ended Nov. 30, 1989	Six Months Ended Nov. 30, 1990	Six Months Ended Nov. 30, 1989
Net sales	$164,628	$164,953	$350,966	$335,493
Costs and expenses	166,193	164,741	351,819	330,227
Sale of United Cement Company	--	--	43,049	--
	(1,565)	212	42,196	5,266
Provision for income taxes (benefit)	(524)	564	14,136	2,117
	(1,041)	(352)	28,060	3,149
Minority interest in Chaparral	(713)	(1,074)	(1,373)	(2,451)
Net income (loss)	$ (1,754)	$ (1,426)	$ 26,687	$ 698
Net income (loss) per common share (i)				
Primary	$ (.15)	$ (.16)	$ 2.38	$ (.03)
Fully diluted	$ (.15)	$ (.16)	$ 2.21	$ (.03)

(i) Adjusted for four percent stock dividend paid in May 1990. Net income, less preferred dividends and amortization of goodwill for acquisition of Chaparral, divided by average number of common shares and equivalents outstanding (for primary: 11,024,000 in 1990 and 11,102,000 in 1989).

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MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Investors Savings Corp. (NASDAQ: INVS) and its subsidiary, Investors Savings Bank, F.S.B., has named James M. Burkholder chairman of the board. Burkholder, 47, became president and chief executive officer of Investors Savings Corp. in September and will retain those positions. He replaced Thomas R. Fritz, who resigned in August. Burkholder is a co-founder of Investors Savings Bank, which he joined in 1984.

The board of directors also elected E. Thomas Binger to the board. Binger fills a vacancy on the board resulting from Fritz's resignation. Binger, 67, is a general partner in Pittsburg Pacific Company, Ltd., a general partnership with interests in the iron ore business. Binger also serves as director on the boards of MTS Systems, Inc. and Bemis Company, Inc.

"Tom is one of our major shareholders and we are pleased he accepted our invitation to join the Investors Savings Corp. board," said Burkholder.

Investor Savings Corp. is a savings and loan holding company whose principal asset is Investors Savings Bank, F.S.B., a federally chartered savings bank with seven savings offices and six residential mortgage production offices in the Twin Cities and three residential mortgage production offices in Chicago.

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#90354p5381 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOWSON, MD. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The Black & Decker Corp. (NYSE: BDK) announced today that it has agreed to sell its North American Mallory Controls business to Emerson Electric Co. (NYSE: EMR) for approximately $90 million in cash.

The Brazilian portion of the business is being offered for sale separately. Black & Decker acquired the controls business in 1989 as part of its

acquisition of Emhart Corp.

Commenting on the sale, Nolan D. Archibald, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We continue to make steady progress on our divestiture and debt reduction program. With this transaction and the pending GardenAmerica sale, we will have divested eight non-strategic businesses and raised approximately $800 million toward our $1 billion near-term debt reduction target. As has been our experience to date, strategic buyers who have strong financial and operating resources continue to be interested in acquiring assets compatible with their businesses."

Black & Decker also reported that business conditions in Brazil have deteriorated and that U.S. sales have been below expectations in the fourth quarter. Archibald commented, "While we expect to offset most of the sluggishness in the U.S. through aggressive cost containment programs, the difficulties in Brazil will result in lower than expected earnings in the fourth quarter. However, we still expect to report a solidly profitable quarter versus the loss in the December quarter a year ago. At this point, we are anticipating that results for our Brazilian operations will be approximately 20 cents per share below our previous estimate. We are actively pursuing the sale of the Brazilian Mallory Controls business. Also, we are implementing major cost reductions in all of our operations in Brazil and are closing our export operations there. Provisions to cover the cost of these actions are included in our revised estimate for Brazil."

Black & Decker is the world's leading marketer and manufacturer of power tools and other quality products used in and around the home and for commercial applications.

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#90354p5383 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TAMPA, FL (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The international accounting firm of Price Waterhouse, one of the industry's Big Six, has formed a Sports and Convention Facilities Advisory Group. The new practice area will be based in Tampa, according to Jerry Dingle, managing partner of the north Florida offices.

"This move broadens Price Waterhouse's service base to embrace a rapidly growing industry with a critical need for developmental, operational, funding and marketing assistance. Florida's expanding market in purpose-specific assembly facilities makes it the logical site for the firm's new service," said Dingle.

He announced that David C. Petersen, a nationally recognized expert in facilities advisory services, will head the new practice group. He and his

staff will make Price Waterhouse the only firm among its competitors with a practice group devoted exclusively to sports and convention facilities advisory services.

Petersen, a widely published writer on the subject, has provided consultation in municipal financial planning, central city revitalization strategies, and financial services for sports and convention facilities development and operations throughout the United States.

A graduate of San Jose State College, Petersen is the author of Convention Centers, Stadiums and Arenas, published by the Urban Land Institute, of which he is a full member. He has written numerous articles which have appeared in such publications as Conferences and Exhibitions International, Urban Land, Amusement Business, Practicing Planner and Tradeshow Week.

He has addressed the Japanese National Tourist Organization, the International City Manager Association, the International Convention Center Conference, the International Association of Auditorium Managers, the Stadium Managers Annual Seminar Association, and the Association Internationale des Palais de Congres.

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#90354p5384 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARTFORD, CT (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The proposed merger of Northeast Utilities (NYSE: NU) and Public Service of New Hampshire took two major steps forward this morning with decisions coming from two of the three key federal regulatory bodies that have authority over the merger.

In a voice vote, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) approved a draft order permitting the merger. The final written order is not expected to be issued for a few days. In discussing the order, the four commission members who were present determined that the merger met the standards of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, under which NU is regulated. The approval delegated to SEC staff the task of approving specific financings that need to be accomplished to complete the merger.

Separately, an administrative law judge of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) approved the merger subject to several conditions. Nearly all of the significant conditions were proposed by NU itself.

Under FERC rules, NU and supporting and opposing intervenors have 20 days, or until Jan. 9, to comment on Judge Nelson's decision and urge any suggested changes to the full commission. NU officials said that with such a positive decision from Judge Nelson, it expects a final decision to be issued no later

than this spring. A prompt decision will be extremely beneficial to New Hampshire's efforts in combating a recent economic downturn.

Under the proposed two-step reorganization plan valued at $2.3 billion, NU will acquire PSNH. In the first step, now estimated to occur around March 1, PSNH will reorganize itself from bankruptcy as a stand-alone company. The major steps holding up that reorganization are resolution of certain claims before the United States Bankruptcy Court in Manchester, N.H., and a pending New Hampshire Supreme Court appeal.

Reorganization financing is expected to be aided by the New Hampshire Governor and Executive Council's approval yesterday of tax-exempt bonding for PSNH. Those bonds are expected to save PSNH and its customers around $200 million over the next 30 years.

The second step involves the merger. Major approvals required from the federal government include in addition to the SEC approval received today, final approval from the FERC and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Applications with the NRC, related to NU's acquisition of PSNH's 35.6 percent share of the Seabrook nuclear power plant and proposal to manage the plant, were filed in November and are pending.

NU hopes to complete the merger in early summer 1991.

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#90354p5386 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHATHAM, NJ (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - At a presentation for the investment community held today, management of The Summit Bancorporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SUBN) (Summit) announced that, as previously indicated, Summit anticipates it will be modestly profitable in the fourth quarter but will experience a loss for the year. For the first nine months of 1990, Summit reported a loss of $13.9 million.

Summit expects that by year-end its nonperforming assets will have increased from $114 million at Sept. 30, 1990 to the $140 million to $150 million range. After fourth quarter net charge-offs, Summit foresees that its fourth quarter provision for loan losses will be greater than historic norms, but considerably less than the special provision taken in the third quarter. The anticipated fourth quarter provision, less net charge-offs, should maintain the allowance for loan losses at approximately 60 percent of nonperforming loans. Summit's capital position remains strong and it expects to end the year with a primary capital ratio in excess of 8.5 percent.

Summit's Chairman, Thomas D. Sayles, Jr., confirmed that the deterioration of New Jersey's economy and, particularly, its real estate market during 1990 has continued to have an adverse effect on Summit's asset quality and earnings.

Looking forward to 1991, Summit will proceed with its operations consolidation program, its cost controls and its added emphasis on noninterest income. Assuming the economy does not get significantly worse than it is now, 1991 is expected to bring a return to profitability. However, in 1991, Summit does not expect to regain the same earnings levels it had reached in prior years.

"In any event," cautioned Sayles, "1991 is going to be a very difficult year for the financial services industry generally, and for banks in particular."

Summit is a $3.7 billion financial services organization operating 82 banking offices throughout 11 New Jersey counties. Summit's banking subsidiaries include The Summit Trust Company, The Chatham Trust Company, The Maplewood Bank and Trust Company, Ocean National Bank, Bay State Bank, The Trust Company of Princeton, and Somerset Trust Company. Other Summit affiliates include The Summit Mortgage Company, Inc. and Beechwood Insurance Agency, Inc.

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#90354p5400 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Income Fund (NYSE: AGF) today declared its January dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.07 per share on the common stock will be paid Jan. 18, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

The American Government Income Fund is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.6 billion under management as of Nov. 30, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90354p5401 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRYN MAWR, PA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Bryn Mawr Bank Corp. (NASDAQ: BMTC) said today it expects a fourth quarter loss of approximately $1.4 million.

Net income for the year 1990 is estimated to be $200,000, about 18 cents per

share. Based on earnings, the poor economic outlook and to conserve capital, the regular quarterly dividend is being reduced to 15 cents from 38 cents.

The corporation's main subsidiary, The Bryn Mawr Trust Co., has been affected by the continued sluggish residential real estate market. In response to this slowdown, the bank has lowered its costs and increased its reserve for loan losses.

LOAN LOSS RESERVES INCREASED The fourth quarter provision for possible loan losses is expected to be $2.4 million. After giving effect to loans charged off and recoveries made during the year, the loan loss reserve is estimated to be $3.9 million at year-end 1990.

Management said it believes that the increased loan loss reserve is adequate to meet estimated potential loan losses.

NON-PERFORMING LOANS Non-performing assets, which include loans with principal and interest payments past due 90 days or more and other real estate owned, are estimated to be $18 million at year-end, an increase from $11.4 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

DIVIDEND DECLARED The board of directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share, payable on Feb. 1, 1991, to shareholders of record at the close of business Jan. 4, a reduction from 38 cents declared the previous quarter.

CAPITAL STRENGTH After accounting for increased revenues, loans charged off, earnings, and dividends paid, the bank's capital is expected to be $21 million at year-end 1990, $4 million in excess of the capital required under regulatory guidelines scheduled to become effective at year-end 1992, guidelines more rigorous than current requirements.

Bryn Mawr Bank Corp.'s capital is estimated to be $23 million at Dec. 31, 1990.

More detailed information will be available when the year-end results are released in late January.

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#90354p5402 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Income Portfolio (NYSE: AAF) today declared its January dividend. The dividend of $0.0885 per share on the common stock will be paid Jan. 18, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

The American Government Income Portfolio is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.6 billion under management as of Nov. 30, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90354p5404 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Nissan Motor Co., Ltd., Tokyo, has announced the following estimated results for 1990 and projections for 1991, in line with its policy of further promoting overseas production while at the same time increasing its domestic sales.

NISSAN MOTOR CO., LTD.
(1,000 units)

	1990 Results (Estimate)	1991 Projections
Domestic sales	1,415	1,450
(pct. change)	(+7.2 pct.)	(+2.5 pct.)
Exports	956	932
(pct. change)	(-10.2 pct.)	(-2.5 pct.)
Domestic production	2,419	2,440
(pct. change)	(+1.9 pct.)	(+0.9 pct.)
Overseas production	664	813
(pct. change)	(+4.3 pct.)	(+22.5 pct.)
Domestic total demand(a)	5,980	6,030
(pct. change)	(+7.5 pct.)	(+0.8 pct.)

(a) Excludes mini-vehicles Nissan projects that the year 1991 will see the economies in Asian countries, as well as Europe and the U.S., slow down their rate of growth due mainly to the increase in oil prices resulting from the Gulf crisis and high interest rates. Under the economic circumstances, Nissan expects that the automotive demands in Japan, the U.S. and Europe will almost remain on the same level as the previous year or suffer a slight decline.

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#90354p5405 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MCLEAN, VA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - BDM International, Inc. and Corabi International Telemetrics, Inc. today announced plans to offer telemedicine systems to the military which will enable military physicians located anywhere

in the world to consult with experts here in the United States. Medical personnel can be linked by such systems to remote hospitals in real-time even during emergency situations, according to BDM Corporate Vice President Michael G. Stolarik.

Corabi-developed telemedicine systems are already in use in the United States, linking large medical centers to rural communities. Originally built to provide access to pathologists, the telepathology system sends a high-resolution video image from a robotically-controlled microscope to an expert sitting at a monitor thousands of miles away. The expert can control the microscope and render a diagnosis. A smaller portable version of the telepathology system can also be used to send X-rays or pictures of the patient.

Broad potential defense applications of the system have been foreseen ever since the first test of real-time telepathology in 1986 when a patient at William Beaumont Army Medical Center in El Paso, Texas, was diagnosed by a group of pathologists from the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology in Washington, D.C. Recently, the system has been perceived as particularly important during emergency situations such as that which might occur in Desert Shield, Stolarik said.

Corabi President Beth W. Newburger said, in announcing the teaming agreement, that the alliance between the two companies will provide the technical know-how and ability to perform which is necessary in implementing telemedicine systems on a broad scale. Corabi, a five-year-old telemedicine company headquartered in Alexandria, Va., has an established reputation as the pioneer in telepathology.

Stolarik explained that BDM sees Corabi as the developer of a breakthrough technology in the medical arena which fits with technologies that BDM has integrated in other fields. The Companies expect to announce their first contract award in January 1991.

BDM is headquartered in McLean, (metropolitan Washington, D.C.) with offices and operations in 50 world-wide locations. BDM provides professional and technical services to public and private sector clients in national defense and security, communications, energy, logistics, space, information systems, advanced technology, manufacturing technology, and certain other areas.

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#90354p5407 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MONTREAL, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Quebecor Printing Inc., the second largest printer in North America, has completed the acquisition of the commercial

heatset printing assets of Metroland, Printing, Publishing & Distributing (Scarborough), indirectly owned by Torstar Corporation.

Quebecor Printing Inc. is a subsidiary of Quebecor Inc. (AMEX: PQB), listed on the Toronto, Montreal and American Stock Exchange.

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#90354p5409 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Government Term Trust (NYSE: AGT) today declared its January dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.08 per share on the common stock will be paid Jan. 18, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

The American Government Term Trust is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.6 billion under management as of Nov. 30, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90354p5412 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - USAir flight attendants, represented by the Association of Flight Attendants (AFA), today rejected an 18-month tentative agreement with the airline's management. Eighty percent of those flight attendants eligible to vote returned ballots and 53 percent voted against the agreement.

At union meetings held by AFA prior to the ballot count, flight attendants expressed strong dissatisfaction with the concessionary nature of the contract.

AFA and the company reached a tentative agreement on Oct. 12. The decision of the union's leadership was to send the tentative agreement out to the flight attendants for a vote, but with no recommendation for approval.

"Our plan is to return to the negotiating table, and we hope that we can reach an agreement quickly in mediation," said Carol Austin, AFA MEC president at USAir. "No tentative agreement in recent memory has been rejected by the USAir flight attendants," Austin added. "We hope the company understands the message it just received."

Airline unions are governed by the Railway Labor Act, which stipulates that union contracts become amendable rather than expire. The USAir flight attendants will continue to work under their contract, which became amendable Aug. 31, 1989.

The Association of Flight Attendants, AFL-CIO, represents 30,000 flight attendants on 18 airlines, including 10,000 USAir flight attendants, and is the largest flight attendant union in the world.

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#90354p5414 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WELLESLEY, MASS. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - EG&G (NYSE: EGG) indicated today that it expected its fourth quarter 1990 earnings would be lower than previously anticipated.

"Although operating profit will have improved over 1989, anticipated performance from the Research Instruments and Aerospace businesses did not materialize and prevented us from attaining the performance goals set for the corporation for this year," remarked Chairman John M. Kucharski. "The appropriate steps are being taken to correct this situation."

A detailed accounting for the year 1990 will be available on Feb. 7, 1991.

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#90354p5415 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - General Motors will initiate a special purchase program to enable employees to sell shares of GM Class H common stock received through GM's various incentive plans directly to the Corporation at market prices.

Since a significant portion of the compensation for many GM managers is awarded in the form of GM common stocks, this special program will provide an efficient and orderly mechanism by which employees of GM and its GM Hughes Electronics subsidiary may choose to dispose of the Class H shares they have been awarded in various incentive programs. It will also provide General Motors with another source of Class H shares that may be used in future compensation and benefit programs.

As many as 2.7 million Class H shares may be eligible for acquisition under this special program, which will become available in January 1991 and remain in effect for one year. GM will also continue the open market repurchase of

Class H shares under an ongoing program originally announced in 1987.

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#90354p5417 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ERIE, PA. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Zurn Industries Inc. (NYSE: ZRN), a leading designer and manufacturer of environmental waste-to-energy and water control products and systems announced today the award of a contract worth over $27 million for the construction of water treatment facilities.

Orange County Sanitation District (OCSD) has awarded Advanco Constructors, a Zurn subsidiary, a contract for expansion of Sewage Treatment Plant No. 1 in Fountain Valley, Calif. Advanco will construct six new digesters at the plant and rehabilitate two existing digesters. The digesters are used in removal of solids from waste water.

Advanco is already building a sludge handling facility at plant No. 1 as part of OCSD's program to expand its facilities to keep pace with growth in the southern California region. Work on the new project is scheduled to begin in January 1991 and completion is expected in mid-1993.

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#90354p5423 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1995 (NYSE: ADJ) today declared its January dividend. The monthly dividend of $0.077 per share on the common stock will be paid Jan. 18, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990. The monthly dividend is comprised of $0.070 per share of net investment income and $0.007 per share of net short-term capital gains.

The American Adjustable Rate Term Trust Inc. - 1995 is managed by Piper Capital Management Incorporated based in Minneapolis. Founded in 1985, Piper Capital Management Incorporated, a full-service money management firm, has more than $3.6 billion under management as of Nov. 30, 1990. PCM is an independent, wholly owned subsidiary of Piper Jaffray Incorporated, an investment banking firm founded in 1895.

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#90354p5424 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - American Savings Bank (NYSE: ASB) reported today that William G. Lillis, president, chief executive officer and a director, announced that he will retire from the bank at the end of October 1991. Lillis conveyed his decision to the board of directors at its regular December meeting.

The bank also reported that the board of directors has appointed a committee to begin an immediate search for a successor. The committee will consist of the following directors: Henry Salzhauer, who will serve as committee chairman; John Lundberg, the bank's chairman; John Thornton, and Philip Winterer.

The October date was selected to allow sufficient time for the board to find a new president and to ensure an orderly transition. Lundberg will continue to serve as chairman of the board.

"Having served as president of this institution for 10 years, I feel it's an appropriate time to step down next October," Lillis said. "In addition, I believe our 'Back to Basics' strategy -- focusing on our core businesses of retail banking and income-property lending, while at the same time reducing expenses -- will be implemented substantially by the fall of 1991. That will be the right time for a new person to take on the leadership of the bank," he said.

American Savings Bank is a New York state-chartered savings bank with executive and administrative offices in White Plains, N.Y. Together with its wholly owned subsidiary, Riverhead Savings Bank, FSB, American operates 39 branches in New York City and in Westchester, Nassau and Suffolk counties.

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#90354p5430 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DARIEN, CONN. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Bowater Incorporated (NYSE: BOW) announced today that agreement has been reached with Advance Publications Inc. to exchange the assets of Catawba Newsprint Company located at Catawba, S.C., for similar assets at the Bowater newsprint mill in Calhoun, Tenn. Catawba Newsprint Company is owned 51 percent by Bowater and 49 percent by Advance.

The asset exchange will take place effective Jan. 1, 1991, and the company will be renamed Calhoun Newsprint Company. The ownership interests of Bowater and Advance will remain the same after the exchange.

The Bowater partnership with Advance, a Newhouse company, has operated successfully for more than 20 years and has involved a high degree of mutual

cooperation. The transfer of assets from Catawba to Calhoun accommodates the desire of Advance to have their newsprint operational interest connected with appropriate recycling facilities.

Calhoun Newsprint Company will own No. 5 paper machine, a portion of the TMP facilities, and the deinking plant now under construction.

The new deinking plant will start up in the fourth quarter of 1991 and will help Bowater to meet the requirements of Advance and Bowater's other customers for newsprint with a recycled fiber content. When completed, the plant will consume some 380 tons per day of old newsprint and coated magazine stock and will deliver 300 tons per day of recycled fiber to the newsprint mill. Construction of the plant remains on schedule and within budget.

Bowater Incorporated is a major manufacturer of newsprint, coated publication papers and bleached kraft market pulp, and a converter of communication papers for business.

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#90354p5435 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Delta Air Lines has ordered 26 Boeing jetliners, Boeing announced today.

Six 767-300 twinjets are new orders; Boeing also confirmed three extended range 767-300s, one 767-300, nine 757-200s and seven 737-300s that previously had not been announced.

Total value upon delivery of the combined order is approximately $1.8 billion. This order establishes a new one-year record for the dollar value of announced orders at $47.7 billion. The previous record, set in 1989, was $46.62 billion.

Delta, a kickoff customer for the 767 in 1978, has ordered a total of 57 of the widebody twinjets from Boeing; 37 of which have been delivered. It operates the twin-aisle airplanes on both domestic and international routes.

Since its first order for 757s in 1980, Delta has taken delivery of 60 of the quiet, fuel-efficient twinjets. Today's announcement brings to 20 the number of 757-200s still on order.

Delta now has 57 Boeing 737-300s on order. One of Boeing's largest customers, Delta has ordered 354 of the company's jetliners over the past 23 years. Delta today operates 298 Boeing jets.

The orders announced today bring total 767 orders to 526 from 44 customers,

757 orders to 724 from 34 customers and 737 orders to 2,885 from 149 customers.

For 1990, Boeing has announced orders for 543 jetliners.

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LANHAM, MD (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Schwartz Brothers, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SWAR) the nation's leading independent distributor of recorded music and one of the largest distributors of videocassettes, reported that results for the third quarter and first nine months of the current fiscal year were significantly impacted by the provision for doubtful accounts on its trade receivables.

For the third quarter, the company had a net loss of $3,065,000, or $1.72 per share, compared to net earnings of $425,000, or 23 cents per share, in the same period last year. This year's results included a provision for doubtful accounts of $3,894,000 compared to $214,000 last year caused by adverse payment experience and bankruptcies of several of the company's customers, the slowing of the national economy and the imposition of more stringent and aggressive collection procedures by the company. Revenues for the quarter were $26,859,000 compared to $34,392,000 last year. The weakened economy, the lack of major hit audio and video releases and tighter credit granting policies had an adverse effect on sales for the quarter.

For the first nine months of the year, revenues were $83,031,000 compared to $79,624,000 in the first three quarters last year. Because of the provision for doubtful accounts, the company sustained a loss of $2,883,000, or $1.62 per share, compared to net income of $697,000, or 38 cents per share, in the same period a year ago.

Schwartz Brothers officials said, "Many of the company's customers were severely affected by the downturn of the economy in the early part of this year and our third-quarter results reflect this problem. During the year, we have strengthened our management and operations. Patrick A. Labriola, who joined us a few months ago as senior vice president- operations and chief financial officer, has already made a significant, positive contribution to our organization. The last half of this year is a time for restructuring. We are taking the opportunity to assess the needs of our organization and responding accordingly. With this restructuring and the losses for doubtful accounts behind us, we are better positioned to be stronger and profitable in the coming year."

The financial position of the company is strong with total assets of $41,425,000, shareholders' equity of $5,455,000 and working capital of $4,765,000 as of Oct. 31, 1990. The company is actively seeking a replacement to its bank line of credit facility which has been extended by the bank

month-to-month since October 1990.

SCHWARTZ BROTHERS, INC.
(Unaudited)

Periods ended	Three Months		Nine Months	
Oct. 31	1990	1989	1990	1989
Revenues	$26,859,000	$34,392,000	$83,031,000	$79,624,000
Net earns. (loss)	(3,065,000)	425,000	(2,883,000)	697,000
Net earnings (loss) per share	$(1.72)	$.23	$(1.62)	$.38

CONTACT: Patrick A. Labriola, senior VP-operations and CFO of Schwartz Brothers, 301-459-8000, or 800-638-0243

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MEMPHIS, TN. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Express Corporation (NYSE: FDX) announced today that net income for the quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990, increased to $37.5 million from $37 million in last year's second quarter. Earnings per share rose to $.71 from $.70 in the same period a year ago.

Revenues in the quarter increased 16 percent to $1.99 billion from $1.72 billion the previous year. Operating income decreased slightly from $127.9 million to $125.8 million, primarily reflecting higher fuel prices.

The company said its average cost per gallon for jet fuel in the second quarter was up 55 percent compared with last year's second quarter and up 62 percent vs. the first quarter of this fiscal year. Total fuel expenses increased $73 million from the same period a year ago and $77 million compared to this year's first quarter.

Commenting on the results, Chief Executive Officer Frederick W. Smith said, "Our second quarter results reflect the concerted efforts of all of our employees to improve productivity and reduce expenses in a very difficult environment. Strict adherence to cost-cutting programs provided a partial offset to significantly higher fuel prices, continuing international losses, a weak economy, and slower volume growth."

Smith added that the company recorded the highest service levels in its history during the quarter while concurrently achieving record low levels of cost per package. "The Federal Express commitment to quality," Smith said, "remains the cornerstone of our cost reduction program. We continue to confirm that the best way to cut costs is by improving the quality of all aspects of our operations."

On Thursday of last week, Federal Express was presented the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award by President Bush, marking the first time a service

company has won the coveted award.

CONTACT: Dan Copp of Federal Express, 901-395-3490

-30- 2087

#90354p5442 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Creamer Dickson Basford (CDB) announced today the appointment of Edmund J. Scordato as executive vice president and chief financial officer. He succeeds Elizabeth C. Mueller who is leaving the company to pursue other interests.

Scordato also will be elected a member of the CDB board of directors. He joins CDB from Manning Selvage & Lee (MS&L), where for the past 11 years he has served as executive vice president/chief financial officer. He joined MS&L when it was $5 million in size and was part of the management team that helped grow the firm to its present $30 million size.

Previously, he spent five years with the American Broadcasting Company (ABC) where he was treasurer and director of financial planning for the ABC Record and Tape sales subsidiary. He began his career in public accounting.

Scordato is a graduate of Bernard Baruch College and a certified public accountant.

Creamer Dickson Basford, with offices in New York, New England and Pittsburgh, is the American anchor for Eurocom Corporate & PR, one of the world's top five PR networks.

CONTACT: Jean L. Farinelli of Creamer Dickson Basford, 212-887-8046

-30- 1372

#90354p5443 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN DIEGO (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - BSD Bancorp Inc. (AMEX: BSD) today announced that it anticipates reporting minimal earnings for the fourth quarter ending Dec. 31, 1990, due to the provision of approximately $1 million in additional loan loss reserves in December.

The decision to provide additional reserves results primarily from $721,000 in commercial loan charge-offs at The Bank of San Diego, with special reserves being set aside at each of BSD Bancorp's three major banks to provide additional cushion for the anticipated recessionary environment in 1991.

Each of BSD Bancorp's three major banks -- The Bank of San Diego, American Valley Bank and Coast Bank -- have had regulatory examinations which concluded mid- and late-fourth quarter of 1990, and all charge-offs directed by the regulators have been taken.

James S. Brown, chairman of BSD Bancorp, stated, "The Bank of San Diego does not agree with all of the charge-offs directed by the regulators, but all charge-offs have been taken and the bank anticipates that a portion of the loans charged off will be recoverable next year. It should be noted that prior to the examination, the bank had set aside reserves covering 50 percent of the balances on these particular loans.

"Given the decision to add reserves in 1990," added Brown, "BSD Bancorp will be going into the economic downturn in a stronger reserve position. Also, non-performing loans continue to be less than 2 percent of total loans, which is a very healthy level for the banking industry."

Due to the minimal level of earnings anticipated for the fourth quarter, BSD Bancorp also indicated that its earnings for the full year will be comparable to the level reported for the nine-month period ended Sept. 30, 1990, which was $3,426,000.

BSD Bancorp Inc. is a diversified holding company serving banking and trust markets predominantly in Southern California.

CONTACT: Vito J. Guarino Jr., president and COO, 619-237-5365, or Marilyn Creson Jones, CFO, 619-237-5366, both of BSD Bancorp Inc.

-30- 2223

#90354p5444 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALT LAKE CITY, (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - American Stores Co. (NYSE: ASC) announced today that it has begun distribution of a Confidential Descriptive Memorandum regarding Acme Markets Inc., in connection with its previously announced intention to offer the company for sale. The memorandum contains a comprehensive description of the business and financial position of the 270-store East Coast supermarket chain. American Stores is pleased with the number of potential bidders who have executed confidentiality agreements and who will be reviewing the possible acquisition of Acme Markets.

American Stores noted that, contrary to the impression given in recent press reports, no confidential information regarding Acme Markets has been distributed to Ahold USA, and Ahold has held no negotiations or discussions with American Stores concerning the acquisition of Acme Markets Inc.

CONTACT: Troy D'Ambrosio, media, or Cal Drecksel, investors, 801-539-0112, both of American Stores Co.

-30- 1174

#90354p5451 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Florida's largest commuter airline, Eastern

Express, reached a definitive agreement last night with BHA Aviation, Inc. to sell the commuter for an undisclosed amount. BHA Aviation is an investor group led by the commuter's former president, Jack E. Robinson.

If approval is granted by the bankruptcy judge overseeing actions of the commuter's parent company, Eastern Airlines, ownership of Bar Harbor Airways, d.b.a. as Eastern Express, will change hands by mid-January 1991.

No major changes in existing operations are expected. Eastern Express opened a Tampa hub on Oct. 15, and at the same time almost doubled its daily flights throughout Florida and the Bahamas to number 184, including hourly flights between Tampa and Miami. The commuter's existing fleet of 22 aircraft serves 14 cities in Florida and six in the Bahamas.

CONTACT: Laura Phillips Bennett of Bennett & Company Inc., 305-932-8000, for Eastern Express

-30- 1130

#90354p5452 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Team Bank, as Trustee of the San Juan Basin Royalty Trust (NYSE: SJT), today declared a cash distribution to the holders of its units of beneficial interest of $.009511 per unit, payable Jan. 16, 1991, to Unit Holders of record on Dec. 31, 1990.

Royalty income for December 1990 was approximately $1,068,400. Administrative expenses were approximately $31,000, and excess production expenses from prior months were approximately $539,800, resulting in distributable income of $497,600. In accordance with the Royalty Conveyance, the excess of expenses over income in any month must be recovered from subsequent months' royalty income. Additionally, in order for the Trust to pay administrative expenses for September through November, the Trustee borrowed funds totaling $53,400. The deferred charge created by this borrowing, plus approximately $1,000 in interest, was repaid. Therefore, total cash to be distributed to Unit Holders on Jan. 16, 1991, is approximately $443,000, or $.009511 per Unit.

Capital costs for the month were lower primarily due to accrual revisions. Production from the properties from which the Royalty was carved totaled approximately $1,319,000 Mcf. The average gas price was $1.80 per Mcf.

CONTACT: Lee Ann Anderson of Team Bank, 817-884-4417, for San Juan Basin Royalty Trust

-30- 1547

#90354p5457 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Chambers Development Company Inc. (AMEX: CDVB) and its president, John G. Rangos Sr., today donated $201,000 to

Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, a spokesman said.

The money was raised through Chambers' second annual riverboat "Cruise for Kids" that was held aboard the Gateway Clipper Fleet's "Majestic" earlier this year. In addition, Chambers employees sponsored a spaghetti dinner and held several raffles to help raise additional funds.

Rangos presented the check to Edwin D. Zechman Jr., president of Children's Hospital at the Rangos Research Center.

"I want to express my appreciation to the people of western Pennsylvania, the Pittsburgh corporate community, Children's Hospital employees and Chambers' employees for helping us exceed last year's total and meet this year's goal," Rangos said. "Because of their outstanding efforts, many children will now be able to receive health care they so desperately need."

"John Rangos and the employees of Chambers Development are loyal friends of Children's Hospital and the families we serve," Zechman said. "Through John's leadership, the Chambers campaign has been more successful than ever. The children, families and staff of Children's Hospital are deeply grateful to John and to Chambers Development for helping to see to it that no child from our region will ever be denied medical care because of a family's inability to pay."

A Pittsburgh Press Old Newsboy, Rangos raised the most money for the hospital in 1989.

Rangos and Chambers have been supporters of Children's Hospital since the chairman devised a program to use recycled aluminum to fund the Free Care Fund at the hospital. He again spearheaded this year's "Cruise for Kids" campaign.

Chambers Development Company, headquartered in Pittsburgh, is one of the fastest growing U.S. companies with rankings on the Forbes list of the 200 Best Small Companies in America and on the Business Week Top 1000 U.S. Companies. Chambers is a leading environmental firm offering services in recycling, collection, hauling, disposal and landfill development.

The company also provides security through its wholly owned subsidiary, Security Bureau Inc., the 12th largest U.S. security firm.

CONTACT: Jim Leonard of Chambers Development, 412-244-7560

-30- 2510

#90354p5459 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Snyder Oil Corp. (NYSE: SNY) today reported a series of developments related to its exploration program. The Willit 2H horizontal well, located in Laramie County, Wyo. and which targeted

the Niobrara formation has been completed. The well was production tested on pump at the rate of 216 barrels or oil per day in a 24 hour test. However, subsequent production and pressure tests have been disappointing and some form of stimulation on the well is expected to be attempted shortly. However, results from the well are sufficiently encouraging that a futher horizontal well in the North Silo area, the Hutton 10-21H, should be spudded within the week. SOCO holds 25 percent and 15 percent working interests, respectively, in these wells. The company also indicated that the initial location in the Pawnee project has just been staked. Drilling on the well is expected to begin in January. The Pawnee project encompasses 165,000 gross acres considered prospective for horizontal drilling in the Niobrara Chalk. SOCO holds 57,000 net acres in the project.

Separately, SOCO announced the status of several other of its exploration projects. In the Bakken formation of Roosevelt County, Montana, drilling on the company's initial horizontal well, the Big Muddy 1, has just concluded and testing should be initiated shortly. A second well in the Bakken, the Baineville State 36-1, will spud within the week to 10 days. SOCO holds a 25 percent interest in both of these wells. Finally, the SOCO Federal No. 1, a vertical well seeking to test the Painted Rock formation in the Cuyama Valley of Santa Barbara County, Calif., is currently drilling and is expected to reach total depth within the next few weeks. SOCO holds a 25 percent carried interest in the Cuyama well.

SOCO is an independent oil company engaged in the acquisition, production, development and exploration of oil and gas properties and in natural gas processing and transportation. The company's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SNY.

CONTACT: Patti J. Irwin of Snyder Oil Corp., 817-882-5902

-30- 2336

#90354p5464 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARLSBAD, CALIF (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - San Dieguito National Bank yesterday hosted the December Carlsbad Chamber of Commerce sundowner in conjunction with the grand opening of the bank's newest office at 675 Carlsbad Village Drive (Elm Avenue).

The attendance at this special party totaled approximately 500 people, far in excess of a normal sundowner. The bank is currently celebrating the grand opening of its 6,000-square-foot office, which has been completely remodeled. This highly successful Sundowner served as a way to introduce the bank's staff to many area business people.

"We're very excited to bring our community banking services to Carlsbad Village," says Paul Schedler, president. "The sundowner has given us an outstanding opportunity to meet with area business people and show them

first-hand what 'old fashioned service' is all about."

San Dieguito National Bank also has offices in La Costa and Encinitas, Calif.

CONTACT: Paul E. Schedler, president of San Dieguito National Bank, 619-436-6888, or 619-293-7609

-30- 1200

#90354p5468 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Halliburton Co. (NYSE: HAL) announced that it has received from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) notices asserting deficiencies in federal corporate income taxes in the amount of approximately $247 million, excluding interest, for its 1980-86 taxable years. The IRS has proposed over 200 separate adjustments to Halliburton's tax returns. Halliburton believes that the majority of these adjustments and the asserted deficiencies are without merit. The IRS has not asserted that any penalties are due with respect to the alleged deficiencies.

Halliburton has filed claims for the refund of federal income taxes paid with respect to its 1980-86 taxable years in the approximate total amount of $115 million, excluding interest. The IRS has denied some of these claims and taken no action with respect to others.

Halliburton has filed petitions in the United States Tax Court challenging the entire amount of the proposed deficiencies and requesting the payment of the $115 million in refund claims. Halliburton believes it is entitled to the refunds, it has meritorious defenses, both procedural and substantive, to the proposed deficiencies and that the ultimate resolution of the case will result in no material impact on its consolidated results of operations or consolidated financial condition.

Halliburton Co. is one of the world's largest diversified oil field services, engineering and construction companies. Founded in 1919, Halliburton provides oil field services and products, industrial and marine engineering and construction services, and property and casualty insurance services.

CONTACT: Guy T. Marcus of Halliburton Co., 214-978-2691

-30- 1893

#90354p5469 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Paragon Cable today announced the launch of The Airline Network on Channel 16 on the B-cable in Minneapolis. The new network offers 24-hour Northwest, Trans World, United and Delta Airlines up-to-the-minute arrival and departure information from the Twin Cities Metropolitan Airport.

"We are pleased to provide this information channel in time for holiday travel said Debra Cottone, vice president of programming and public affairs for Paragon Cable. "We feel the network will provide a valuable service to travelers, their hosts and families, particularly during periods of peak activity and variable weather conditions that impact local airline traffic schedules."

The network also offers airport facilities information, travel tips for business and leisure travelers, and tour/airline special offers. The channel will eventually provide local traffic information to and from the airport as well as local and national weather reports.

Paragon Cable services approximately 70,000 customers in Minneapolis who have access to the channel on the B-cable.

CONTACT: Debra Cottone of Paragon Cable, 612-522-5200

-30- 1311

#90354p5477 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Golden Poultry Company, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: CHIK) and Gold Kist Inc. today approved formation of a partnership company to purchase a Campbell Soup Company (NYSE: CPB) plant at Sumter, S.C., according to Don W. Sands, chairman of Golden Poultry, and D.C. Herlong, chairman of Gold Kist.

The partnership will be named Carolina Golden Products Company. Golden Poultry will own 51 percent and Gold Kist will own 49 percent, Sands said.

Campbell announced Nov. 5 that it had signed a letter of intent to sell its Sumter frozen food and poultry processing plant and related assets to Gold Kist or a subsidiary. Negotiations are proceeding on the final sale agreement which is expected to result in ownership changing in late January 1991.

Gold Kist Inc. is a diversified farm cooperative with poultry processing, grain, peanut, farm supply and retail store operations in Georgia, Alabama, South Carolina and Florida. It currently owns 67 percent of the common stock of Golden Poultry, which has operations in Georgia, Alabama and North Carolina.

Establishing the partnership will increase Gold Kist ownership of Golden Poultry common stock through the purchase, by a Gold Kist subsidiary, of a new issue of common stock at the market price at the time the Campbell purchase is completed.

Commenting on Carolina Golden Product's plans, Sands said the Sumter plant and related operations would be converted to produce fresh and further processed chicken for sale to fast food chains and supermarkets. Campbell produced frozen chicken and turkey dinners at the plant. Gold Kist plants would supply

a portion of the meat, which will be further processed at Sumter.

Golden Poultry produces fresh and further processed chicken for fast food customers at its new Russellville, Ala., plant and supplies supermarket chains and commercial accounts from its Douglas, Ga., and Sanford, N.C., plants. It also operates a food distribution center at Pompano Beach, Fla., which supplies more than 2,500 perishable food items to commercial and cruise ship line customers in the south Florida market.

Its 10.7 million shares of common stock outstanding are traded on the NASDAQ National Market System.

CONTACT: Paul G. Brower of Golden Poultry, 404-393-5312; or Mark Starr, 212-661-8030, or after 7 p.m., 516-783-4391, or Stephanie Mishra, 312-266-7800 both of Financial Relations Board, for Golden Poultry

-30- 2659

#90354p5481 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - American Savings & Loan Association of Florida (NASDAQ: ASLA) ("ASLA") announced today that the regular quarterly cash dividend on its $2.19 Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A next scheduled for payment on Jan. 1, 1991 would be omitted. Holders of the Series A Preferred Stock are reminded of their continuing right to convert their shares to cash at any time for $16.40 per share. Less than 100,000 shares of the Preferred Stock remain outstanding.

CONTACT: Alan B. Goldstein, corporate secretary of American Savings & Loan Association of Florida, 305-770-2093

-30- 789

#90354p5484 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CALIF. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Medstone International Inc. (NASDAQ: MSHK) announced the resignation of Richard Ferrari, president and chief operating officer, effective Tuesday, Dec. 18, 1990. Ferrari said, "The recent suspension of the gallstone lithotripsy program reduced the scope of Medstone's shockwave therapy business, and prompted me to pursue other personal growth opportunities."

Medstone will continue a series of changes initiated by Ferrari designed to shift away from dependence on medical capital equipment towards larger health care markets. Ferrari's successor will be selected in January, 1991 from members of the executive staff at Medstone.

Medstone International manufactures renal lithotripters. Approximately 6,500 kidney stone patients are treated annually, worldwide on Medstone machines.

CONTACT: David V. Radlinski, executive VP, finance and CFO, Medstone International Inc., 714-587-0500, ext. 235

-30- 1119

#90354p5487 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Federal Express Corporation (NYSE: FDX) announced today that average daily volume of express packages and documents for November 1990 increased 4 percent over November 1989. Details are shown in the table below

	November		Fiscal year-to-date (6 months)	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Total volume (000)	26,929	25,946	166,764	151,474
Operating weekdays	21	21	128	128
Average daily volume				
Priority overnight	741,666	786,143	770,164	778,437
Standard overnight	212,476	155,619	202,969	133,485
Economy two-day	220,667	206,905	229,773	195,578
Int'l priority	107,524	86,857	99,938	75,891
Total daily volume	1,282,333	1,235,524	1,302,844	1,183,391
Percent change	3.8		10.1	

The company also announced that freight shipments for the month totaled 77.2 million pounds.

CONTACT: Dan Copp of Federal Express, 901-395-3490

-30- 1248

#90354p5492 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Univar Corp. (NYSE, PSE: UVX) and Pakhoed Holding N.V. today announced that they have entered into negotiations with Beijer Industries, Stockholm, regarding the potential acquisition of the Beijer Industrial Distribution Group by a new holding company, Univar Europe, which would represent a combined investment by Univar, Pakhoed and Beijer Industries.

Beijer Industrial Distribution, a major European chemical distributor with 1990 sales in excess of $350 million (U.S.), operates in the Scandinavian countries through its subsidiary MB-SVEDA, in the United Kingdom through K&K-Greeff, in Switzerland through Scheller AG and in Italy through Benfer-Scheller.

Univar Corp., the largest North American chemical distributor with sales of approximately $1.4 billion (U.S.), is headquartered in Seattle and operates in the United States and Canada through its subsidiaries Van Waters and Rogers

Inc. and Van Waters and Rogers Ltd.

Pakhoed Holding N.V. is a major chemical storage and transportation company with activities in Europe, the United States, Africa and the Far East.

CONTACT: James L. Bernard or N. Stewart Rogers of Univar Corp., 206-447-5911; or Valerie Winslow of Hill & Knowlton Inc., 206-682-6944, for Univar Corp.

-30- 1456
#90354p5493 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - Bow Valley Industries Ltd. (Montreal Toronto: BVI) announced today that seven participants of the Brae Group have reached agreement with British Gas plc for the sale of over 700 billion cubic feet of gas from the Brae fields in the North Sea.

Gas from the Brae fields will be delivered to British Gas plc at St. Fergus in Scotland via the SAGE gas transportation system. The sources of gas for delivery under the contract will be from the South, North, Central, and East Brae fields situated 155 miles northeast of Aberdeen, in the North Sea blocks 16/7a, 16/3a, and 16/3b.

The supply contract provides for the sale of gas over a 15-year contract period, with first gas due for delivery in 1994. The gas contracted to British Gas under this first sale is only a part of the Brae proven gas reserves. Gas sales discussions will be pursued with a variety of potential purchasers for the remaining available Brae gas reserves.

A Gas Offtake and Balancing Agreement allows each Brae Group participant to offtake and sell its share of gas from the Brae fields individually to supply the emerging competitive U.K. gas market.

Participants in the Supply Contract with British Gas plc are: -- Marathon Oil U.K. Ltd. (Operator) -- BP Exploration -- Bow Valley Petroleum (U.K.) Limited -- Kerr-McGee Oil (U.K.) Plc -- Gas Council (Exploration) Ltd. -- LL&E (U.K.) Inc. -- Sovereign Oil & Gas Plc -- Norsk Hydro Oil & Gas Limited

CONTACT: H.K. Lazelle, VP Investor Relations, Bow Valley Industries Ltd., 403-261-6143

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#90354p5496 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

TURALATIN, OR. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - In Focus Systems Inc. (NYSE: INFS) today announced the initial public offering of 2,558,314 shares of its common stock at $9.50 per share on the New York Stock Exchange. Of the shares being offered, 1,973,914 shares are being sold by the company and 584,400 shares by selling shareholders.

The SEC priced the offering at $9.50 per share. The opening bid was $11 per share, closing the first day of trading at $11.25. The company raised over $15 million of working capital today. Shares are traded under the symbol INFS.

The managing underwriters for the offering which is being made only by means of a prospectus, are Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. and Hambrecht & Quist Inc. The company and certain of the selling shareholders have granted the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to 193,246 and 190,500 additional shares of common stock, respectively, to cover over- allotments, if any.

The company plans to use the net proceeds of the offering for general corporate purposes and working capital.

A copy of the final prospectus relating to the securities may be obtained from the offices of Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., 245 Park Ave., New York, NY 10167, or the offices of Hambrecht & Quist Inc., One Bush Street, San Francisco, Calif. 94101.

In Focus Systems Inc. is a leader in developing, manufacturing and marketing products using proprietary flat panel LCD technology to present output from personal computers. Its principal products, PC Viewers, are computer-driver LCD projection panels which are placed on standard overhead projectors to allow an audience to view computer-generated graphics and data interactively and in real time. LCD projection panels are used by businesses, schools and government agencies for training, general presentations, workgroup computing sessions and other applications.

For further information, contact Joseph Martin of In Focus Systems Inc, 7770 SW Mohawk Street, Tualatin, OR 97062, 503-692-4968

CONTACT: Jennifer Fox or Janet Eden-Harris, 503-645-1551; both of KVO for In Focus Systems Inc.

-30- 2301

#90354p5502 12/20/1990 ~PR Newswire

UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. (DEC. 20) PR NEWSWIRE - MCA Inc. (NYSE: MCA) and Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. (NYSE: MC) today jointly announced that the federal district court in Arizona has, after a hearing, denied Go-Video's request for a temporary restraining order against the acquisition of MCA by Matsushita.

CONTACT: Christine Hanson of MCA Inc., 818-777-3591; or George Sard or Joele Frank both of Adams & Rinehart, 212-557-0100, for Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd.

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#90354t0099 12/20/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (DEC. 20) TASS - "THE WITHDRAWAL OF SOVIET HARDWARE TO BEYOND THE URALS, PARTICULARLY TANKS, SHOULD IN NO WAY CAUSE CONCERN AMONG WESTERN EXPERTS," COLONEL-GENERAL NIKOLAI CHERVOV, ASSISTANT TO THE CHIEF OF THE SOVIET ARMED FORCES' GENERAL STAFF, TOLD TASS HERE TODAY.

HE WAS RESPONDING TO A CAMPAIGN BEING STEPPED UP BY WESTERN MEDIA TO BRING ABOUT AN ATMOSPHERE OF DISTRUST OF PEACE MOVES BY THE SOVIET UNION, WHICH IS WITHDRAWING ITS HARDWARE FROM EUROPE TO BEYOND THE URALS.

AS OF JULY 1, THIS YEAR, THE SOVIET UNION HAD 41,500 TANKS IN ITS EUROPEAN SECTION, CHERVOV SAID. BY THE TIME THE PARIS CONVENTIONAL FORCES IN EUROPE (CFE) TREATY WAS SIGNED (NOVEMBER 19, 1990), THE SOVIET UNION HAD ONLY 20,725 TANKS IN ITS EUROPEAN SECTION.

CHERVOV SAID THAT DURING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SOVIET DEFENSIVE MILITARY DOCTRINE, 10,000 TANKS WERE SUBJECT TO CUTBACKS. DURING THE UNILATERAL REDUCTION IN THE SOVIET ARMED FORCES BY 500,000 MEN, ANOTHER 10,000 TANKS WERE CUT. AS A RESULT, CHEROV SAID, 20,000 TANKS WERE WITHDRAWN FROM EUROPE BY THE BEGINNING OF THE CSCE SUMMIT.

CHERVOV SAID THAT 8,000 NEW TANKS OUT OF THE AMOUNT WERE TRANSFERRED TO REAR TROOPS IN THE ASIAN PART OF THE USSR. ANOTHER 8,000 TANKS ARE, FOR THE TIME BEING, AT SIBERIAN STORAGE DEPOTS. YET ANOTHER 4,000 TANKS HAVE ALREADY BEEN SCRAPPED OR CONVERTED INTO AUXILIARY VEHICLES.

"THE MAIN THING NOW IS TO ATTAIN THE ULTIMATE LEVELS OF ARMS RECORDED IN THE CFE TREATY FOR EACH GROUP OF STATES AND FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY," HE SAID.

THE REST DEPENDS ON EXPERTS AND INSPECTORS, HE ADDED. EVERYTHING MAY BE INSPECTED: BASIC DATA ON ARMAMENTS, VERIFIED FIGURES FOLLOWING RATIFICATION, CUTBACKS (THE PLACES OF ELIMINATION AND CONVERSION AND PLACES OF PERMANENT STORAGE), AND ULTIMATE LEVELS OF ARMS THROUGHOUT THE TENURE OF THE CFE TREATY.

"IN THE EUROPEAN PART OF THE USSR, EVERY DAY THERE WILL BE AT LEAST ONE INSPECTION BY WESTERN EXPERTS. THEREFORE IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO CONCEAL ANYTHING IN DISARMAMENT MATTERS UNDER THESE CONDITIONS. FEARS CONCERNING THE SOVIET UNION'S STEPS TO REDUCE ITS ARMAMENTS ARE ABSOLUTELY UNFOUNDED," CHERVOV SAID.

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VILNIUS (DEC. 20) TASS - CONSULTATIVE MEETINGS BETWEEN DELEGATIONS OF LITHUANIA AND THE SOVIET UNION WILL RESUME IMMEDIATELY AFTER NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS, LITHUANIAN GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN CESLOVAS JURSENAS SAID TODAY.

HE SAID LITHUANIAN PRIME MINISTER KAZIMIERA PRUNSKIENE TODAY RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM SOVIET PRIME MINISTER NIKOLAI RYZHKOV. RYZHKOV SAID THE CONSULTATIVE MEETING THAT HAD BEEN SCHEDULED FOR THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND THEN CANCELLED WAS NOT HELD BECAUSE HE WAS BUSY AND NOT FOR ANY OTHER REASONS.

JURSENAS SAID THAT DURING THEIR TELEPHONE TALK, THE PRIME MINISTERS ALSO DISCUSSED PROSPECTS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN LITHUANIA AND THE SOVIET UNION.

PROSPECTS OF SETTLING THE LITHUANIAN-SOVIET CONFLICT WILL PROBABLY BE ELUCIDATED MORE THOROUGHLY IN PRUNSKIENE'S TELEVISED ADDRESS THIS EVENING.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 20) TASS - THE SECOND SESSION OF THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT RESUMED ITS PROCEEDINGS HERE TODAY. BEFORE DEPUTIES BEGAN WORK IN COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS, FIRST DEPUTY PARLIAMENT CHAIRMAN RUSLAN KHASBULATOV ANNOUNCED THE PARLIAMENT'S SCHEDULE OF WORK. HE SAID THAT THE SESSION WAS PLANNED TO BE COMPLETED ON DECEMBER 26 AND PLENARY SESSIONS HELD WITHIN FIVE DAYS.

KHASBULATOV TOLD TASS THAT ONLY A VERY BUSY SCHEDULE COULD ENABLE DEPUTIES TO FULFIL THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THE EXTRAORDINARY CONGRESS OF RUSSIAN PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES, WHICH WAS HELD IN MOSCOW FROM NOVEMBER 27 TO DECEMBER 15.

HE RECALLED THAT MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE EXPECTED TO CONSIDER OVER 20 IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS, AMONG THEM A BILL ON THE SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE COUNTRYSIDE AND WORK TO BRING RUSSIAN LEGISLATIVE ACTS ON AGRARIAN REFORM IN LINE WITH THE CONSTITUTION OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION.

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(DEC. 20) NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	20	4	.833	-
Philadelphia	16	8	.666	4
New York	11	12	.478	8 1/2
New Jersey	9	14	.391	10 1/2
Washington	8	15	.348	11 1/2
Miami	5	18	.217	14 1/2

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	17	7	.708	-

Chicago	15	9	.625	2
Detroit	15	9	.625	2
Atlanta	11	11	.500	5
Cleveland	11	14	.444	6 1/2
Indiana	9	16	.360	8 1/2
Charlotte	8	14	.364	8

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	16	5	.762	-
Utah	16	8	.667	1 1/2
Houston	13	11	.542	4 1/2
Dallas	7	14	.333	9
Minnesota	7	16	.304	10
Denver	5	18	.217	12
Orlando	5	20	.200	13

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	22	2	.917	-
LA Lakers	14	8	.636	7
Phoenix	15	7	.682	6
Golden State	13	10	.565	8 1/2
LA Clippers	10	14	.417	12
Seattle	8	13	.381	12 1/2
Sacramento	6	15	.286	14 1/2

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(DEC. 20) UPI - President Bush reportedly says he's come to terms on the use of force to get Iraq out of Kuwait, but has made NO decision on whether a military solution will be ordered. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says Bush reached that decision ''when he sent the first troops'' to the Persian Gulf in August.

Bush met with a group of congressmen today and they say the president reiterated his desire to avoid conflict in the five-month standoff. But they quoted Bush as saying in graphic terms that if war does break out, Iraq's Saddam Hussein- quote- is ''going to get his butt kicked.''

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says the sudden resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze is NOT expected to affect Soviet support for the international coalition alligned against Iraq in the Gulf.

Shevardnadze said he resigned to protest conservative attacks and to warn of an ''impending dictatorship'' in the Soviet Union. Soviet President Gorbachev

condemned the decision and told Soviet lawmakers he had planned to recommend Shevardnadze for appointment as vice president.

Mount St. Helens erupted again today for the third time in as many months. The Washington state volcano sent up an ash plume 23-thousand feet into the air. United Airlines cancelled all incoming and outgoing flights in Portland, Oregon, due to the ash cloud.

Bulgaria today installed a non-communist government for the first time since World War Two. The Grand National Assembly, or parliament, approved the new Cabinet by secret ballot following a marathon session. It was the third government to come to power this year.

Bitter cold gripped the West today on the last day of fall. Temperatures fell well below zero in South Dakota and Wyoming. The arctic blast also swept Oregon and Washington state. At least one death is blamed on the cold. Thunderstorms in the South produced tornadoes in Mississippi.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) UPI - At least 250 million sexually transmitted infections occur worldwide annually and the growing epidemic is creating ''a public health nightmare,'' the World Health Organization reported Wednesday.

Young adults account for the largest share of the 250 million infections, with the highest incidence reported among people ages 20 through 24, WHO said.

''Sexually transmitted infections and diseases have reached epidemic proportions globally. And if sexual behavior is not modified and effective new prevention and control programs are not implemented immediately, the resulting disease and mortality rates will be even more staggering,'' WHO Director General Dr. Hiroshi Nakajima warned.

WHO emphasized that diseases spread by sex are not harmless and can cause serious health problems, such as sterility, blindness, brain damage, cancer and even death. In addition, there is evidence the sores and inflammation caused by sexually transmitted infections boosts the risk of contracting the deadly AIDS virus during sex.

Trichomoniasis, a parasitic infection, is the most common sexually transmitted infection - making up about 120 million of the 250 million new cases that occur each year. About 50 million cases stem from chlamydia, a bacterial infection that can cause infertility. In some inner city ares of the United States, 10 percent to 30 percent of sexually active teenage girls have the infection.

Genital warts account for about 30 million cases; gonorrhea, about 25 million;

genital herpes, 20 mllion; syphillis, 3.5 million; hepatitis B, 2.5 million; chancroid, 2 million, and the AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus, 1 million.

''In many countries, sexually transmitted infections have become a public health nightmare,'' Nakajima said in a statement.

Dr. Andre Meheus, head of WHO's sexually transmitted disease program, noted that the infection rate in industrial countries is rising faster than those reported in the 1960s and 1970s. In many Third World nations, recent migration to cities often leads to new sexual habits that increase the risk of such infections, he said.

''Sexually transmitted infections are not under control either in the developed or the developing world,'' Meheus said.

In addition to people failing to take protective measures like using condoms during sex, WHO said the incidence of some sexually transmitted diseases appears to be increasing due to development of microbe strains that are resistant to antibiotic drugs.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Vice President Quayle says he'll spend New Year's Day with U-S troops stationed in Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield. President and Mrs. Bush visited U-S troops in the desert Thanksgiving. Quayle's announcement coincides with Saudi Arabia's moves to suspend exports of aircraft fuel and began stockpiling it in case of war.

In another development, Baghdad radio says Iraqi authorities are planning to evacuate more than one-Million people from the densely populated Baghdad suburb of Saddam beginning Friday. Other evidence of war preparations include Iraq's oil ministry asking people to stock up with domestic heating fuel.

Army troops in Chile went on maximum alert and are confined to quarters around the country. News reports say the move followed a report that Armed Forces Commander in Chief General Augusto Pinochet was asked to resign. Two top officials confirm the troop activity but insist it's NOT jeopardizing democracy in Chile.

U-S officials are searching for three missing U-S servicemen after their helicopter crashed in the Pacific Ocean Wednesday about 700 miles northeast of Guam. Officials say one crewman was killed. The chopper was from an amphibious task force bound for the Middle East and was conducting a night training mission when it crashed.

A Massachusetts defense contractor reportedly is being accused of faking tests

on missile parts that may be used in the event of war in the Persian Gulf. The Boston Herald says two former executives of Micro- Dyanmics Incorporated skipped or faked tests on key components of the Navy's HARM anti-radar missile.

The battle lines are being drawn in Congress over a new city measure holding assault-gun merchants and manufacturers responsible for deaths or injuries caused by the weapons. The measure faces a review by Congress before it can become law, under the District of Columbia's unique ''home rule'' charter.

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#90354u0182 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 20) UPI - President Bush says his war on drugs is ''paying off,'' but declaring victory would be premature. Bush released an upbeat new study Wednesday showing a dramatic decline in overall use of illicit drugs, including a 72 percent plunge in casual cocaine use. The survey of more than 10- thousand Americans painted an improving yet still chilling picture of the nation's drug problem.

Chicago prosecutors say more indictments are possible in ''Operation Gambat.'' A federal grand jury Wednesday indicted a Chicago alderman, a state senator, a former judge and two other political figures who operated in the city's notorious First Ward. The charges include extortion and taking bribes to fix murder cases. U-S Attorney Fred Foremen called the five ''a group of highly sophisticated fixers.'' In Panama City, opposition groups are calling on Panamanians to take to the streets Thursday on the one-year anniversary of the U-S invasion. The demonstrators will demand the removal of U-S troops from their country. The march also is aimed at honoring Panamanians killed in the invasion on December 20th, 1989. The invasion left thousands homeless and more than 500 Panamanians dead. 23 U-S troops were killed in fighting.

There's more ''plastic cash'' in store for all you credit card holders. Consumer demand for convience and improvements in technology are sending major credit card companies into previously uncharted waters. Users soon can whip out the plastic to pay for phone calls, fast food, movies, groceries, even parking tickets. Gerri Detweiler, spokeswoman for the consumer group Bankcard Holders of America says- ''It's a move toward the 'smart card' that banks have been talking about for decades.''

The N-double-A-C-P has filed an employment discrimination complaint against a Lord and Taylor department stores in Florida. The class-action suit filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission claims the upscale retailer illegally eliminated qualified Dade County blacks from its payroll. It seeks unspecified damages and asks that the E-E-O-C intitiate action to ensure Lord and Taylor cannot continue to practice hiring discrimination.

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#90354u0204 12/20/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 20) UPI - The man who is the second in command of U-S troops in Saudi Arabia told a group of eight journalists Wednesday that that American forces in the Persian Gulf might not be ready to fight until the middle of February.

The United Nations department of international economic and social affairs says the Persian Gulf crisis has dealt a serious blow to the world economy, reducing the growth of global output in 1990 by three- tenths of one-percent.

President Bush Wednesday released a survey of more than 10-thousand Americans that painted an improving, yet still chilling picture of the nation's drug problem. The survey showed that there has been a 72 percent plunge in casual cocaine use.

Opposition groups called on the people of Panama to return to the streets Thursday on the one-year anniversary of the U-S invasion to call for the removal of American troops from their country.

A survey of mayors in 30 major cities reported a rise in both hunger and homelessness during the past year. Most of the mayors expect the economic recession to make the problem worse.

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#90354u0209 12/20/1990 ~United Press International
BOSTON (DEC. 20) UPI - A Massachusetts defense contractor skipped or faked tests on key components of a Navy missile that may be used in the event of war in the Persian Gulf, it was reported Thursday.

The Boston Herald quoted two former executives of Micro-Dynamics Inc. as saying the company ''pressured employees'' for several years to omit tests or alter the results on electronic switches used on the Navy's HARM anti-radar missile.

''If a pilot (in combat) needs these weapons, any switch that fails to function because it was not tested could lead to the loss of pilot life,'' Stephen Rocci, who was the HARM program coordinator for Micro- Dynamics, told the newspaper.

Micro-Dynamics, headquartered in suburban Woburn, has already pleaded guilty to federal charges of falsifying similar test data on components of three other weapons systems - the B-1B bomber, AWACs radar planes and ALR-67 radar devices installed on various Navy aircraft - in 1985 and 1986.

The newspaper quoted a federal investigator as saying the failure of Micro-Dynamics-manufactured parts could cripple the radar system of an AWAC jet and ground the aircraft.

The Air Force issued a warning Oct. 31 to all contractors and Pentagon officials dealing with weapons containing parts manufactured by the company, after it reached an out-of-court settlement with the government, the Herald said.

Texas Instruments, the HARM missile's prime contractor, said it ''has not experienced any significant problems'' with parts supplied by Micro- Dynamics, and said its own testing would detect any flaws in the components.

However, Rocci told the Herald, ''With the quantity of untested switches out there, it's practically impossible for the contractor to catch all the failures.''

Rocci and another unidentified former Micro-Dynamics employee said the bogus tests occurred for several years prior to late 1989, when they said Texas Instruments became aware of the government's investigation into the company's other defense contracts.

Rocci, who worked for Micro-Dynamics for seven years before resigning in 1989, said he could not estimate how many HARM missiles containing Micro-Dynamics parts might currently be in the Persian Gulf. But he told the Herald the HARM ''is standard ordnance'' for Navy fighter jets.

The switches in question are part of the missile's ''seeker section'' which help it to detect radiation that signals an enemy anti-aircraft radar installation, the newspaper said.

It said Rocci cited ''detailed technical data'' to back up his claims and painted a ''portrait of a company so pressured to fill its contract that it cut testing corners on a regular basis.''

''I went to them time after time after time to get them on track,'' Rocci said. ''The company became so infected with this way of (skipping and falsifying tests) that it became a normal way of business.''

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#90354u0211 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

SANTIAGO, Chile (DEC. 20) UPI - Chilean army troops went on alert and were confined to quarters around the country following a report that Armed Forces Commander in Chief General Augusto Pinochet was asked to resign, news reports said late Wednesday.

Two top officials confirmed the troop activity but declared it was not jeopardizing democracy in Chile.

The reports of the troop alert followed Pinochet's denial earlier in the day to journalists that he had been asked to resign during a morning meeting with

President Patricio Aylwin and top government officials.

Catholic University's television Channel 13 and private TV channel Megavision reported Wednesday that Defense Minister Patricio Rojas had requested Pinochet's resignation.

Other sources say that top military officials had requested Pinochet resign, arguing that a financial scandal under investigation by a civil judge could implicate former generals and some officers still on active duty.

However, when asked by reporters if the government had requested his resignation, Pinochet on leaving the Presidential Palace after a lunch with Rojas, acted surprised and denied he had been asked to resign.

Channel 13 and ''Megavision'' then reported the military was placed on alert. However, state-owned television said the military units were merely holding ''meetings'' in their various headquarters.

The troop alert reports also came after sources close to a civil judge said the magistrate had received a list from Pinochet of 150 military officers - former army generals and some active duty officers - allegedly involved in the financial scandal.

Witnesses said army trucks were circulating throughout the capital picking up all personnel on leave or at home, and army sources acknowledged the troops were on alert, adding the state of alert was in support of Pinochet.

Assistant Secretary of State Belisario Velasco confirmed the military was on alert and confined to quarters, but assured ''all was in calm, and the democracy in the country was not at stake''.

Defense Minister Patricio Rojas, when asked during a military graduation ceremony if the troops were on alert, acknowledged the current situation within the army was ''abnormal.''

But he said the situation was due only to a ''misunderstanding'' regarding a financial scandal within the armed forces currently in the hands of the judge.

House of Representatives President Jose Antonio Viera-Gallo said, ''We were briefed on the military alert and confinement. Chileans can be calm because the country's democracy is not in play.''

In Washington, a State Department spokesman said the department had no information on the reported troop alert or confinement.

Aylwin succeeded Pinochet as president after winning election Dec. 14, 1989.

Until Aylwin's election, Pinochet ruled Chile with an iron hand since taking

office following the death of President Salvador Allende, who was elected the continent's first Marxist president in 1970 and died in a Sept. 11, 1973 coup that was covertly encouraged by the United States.

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#90354u0213 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 20) UPI - American forces in the Persian Gulf will not be ready to fight for at least a month after the U.N. deadline for Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, and Iraq told its citizens to stock up on heating oil in case of war.

The second in command of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia told a group of eight journalists, including representatives of The Washington Post and The New York Times, that American forces might not be ready until the middle of February.

Lt. Gen. Calvin A.H. Waller made the comments Wednesday as Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, arrived in Saudi Arabia for briefings.

''I'm like a football coach,'' Waller said. ''I want everything I can possibly get and have at my side of the field when I get ready to go into the Super Bowl.''

In Washington, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater played down the comments saying, ''What he really said is they might not be as ready as they would like to be ... for all the contingencies.''

Waller, who ranks behind Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf in Operation Desert Shield said major reinforcements ordered Nov. 8 by President Bush were still in transit from Europe and the United States and would not be ready to fight possibly until the middle of February.

But Waller himself hinted the troops might be more prepared than he was letting on. ''One of the last things I want to do is to give Saddam Hussein what our plans consist of.''

The Iraqi oil ministry proved again it was taking the threat seriously by asking people to stock up with domestic heating fuel to confront shortages should a winter war erupt in the Gulf, Baghdad Radio said.

In another indication Iraq was preparing for war, Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported that Iraqi armored columns, tanks and artillery units were being withdrawn from the Syrian border and deployed in Kuwait.

The move was an apparent bid to reinforce the defenses of the occupied emirate against U.S.-led attack, according to the agency, which said some 430,000 Iraqi troops were already stationed in Kuwait and southern Iraq.

Two senators who just returned from a visit to Saudi Arabia met with Bush in Washington and said they had been told by U.S. commanders that a war with Iraq would last no more than five days because of overwhelming U.S. air power.

When asked about the assessment given by Sens. Daniel Inouye, D- Hawaii, and Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, Fitzwater said, ''Obviously our commanders feel confident about their strength and abilities, but we would be most reluctant to put days or minutes on it.''

On the diplomatic front, Fitzwater reported no progress in trying to set dates for Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz to visit Washington and Secretary of State James Baker to go to Baghdad.

Jordan's Crown Prince Hassan told Amman Radio that he did not think Saddam Hussein would withdraw from Kuwait before a Jan. 15 U.N. deadline, and that peace ''will require a miracle.''

In an interview with Turkish television aired by Cable News Network, Saddam said Wednesday there is ''still a chance of peace instead of war. '' He said a diplomatic solution must address the Arab-Israeli dispute and the Palestinian question. Bush has refused to link the gulf crisis with any outside issue.

The Soviet news agency Tass also quoted a Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman as denying a report in The Washington Post that said the Soviet Union had supplied Iraq with SS-12 short-range ballistic missiles.

Baghdad radio said authorities in Iraq had plans to evacuate more than 1 million people from the densely populated Baghdad suburb of Saddam beginning Friday.

Other evidence of war preparations included Iraqi television programs on how to cope with bombing, fires and attacks from chemical and nuclear weapons.

The request to stock up on home heating fuel came about two months after Former Oil Minister Issam Abdulrahim Chalabi ordered the rationing of gasoline. Saddam later fired Chalabi, saying the rationing order was unncessary.

In other developments Wednesday:

-Iranian leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei told theology students that U. S. troops in the Gulf were serving the interests of oil companies and multinationals, and only Iran was treading the path of virtue.

-Saudi Arabia has suspended exports of aircraft fuel and is busy stockpiling it for the 2,000 allied fighter jets in the region in case of war, Cairo Radio reported.

-U.S. Vice President Dan Quayle said he will spend New Year's Day with U.S. troops stationed in Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield. President and Mrs. Bush visited U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia for Thanksgiving.

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#90354u0214 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

TAIPEI, TAIWAN (DEC. 20) UPI - An earthquake measuring 6.19 on the open-ended Richter scale jolted eastern Taiwan Thursday, the 153th tremor to strike the island within one week.

Officials at the Seismology Research Center in Taipei said the quake, which hit at 7:38 a.m., was centered 18 miles southeast of Hualin, a city on the east coast of Taiwan.

One highway in the central part of the island was slightly damaged but was quickly repaired and traffic resumed. There were no immediate reports of casualties or severe property damage from the quake, according to authorities.

The quake was the 153rd tremor recorded this week, the Central Weather Bureau said.

Aftershocks following a major quake last Friday now total 2,087 and three people have died in the temblors, which also caused landslides and damage to property, officials said.

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#90354u0227 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 20) UPI - The government is expected to scrap all but one of the remaining apartheid laws at the opening of parliament Feb. 1, desegregating residential areas and ending racial restrictions on land ownership, the authoritative Business Day newspaper reported Thursday.

The repeal of the legislation would come exactly one year after President Frederik de Klerk launched his racial reforms, opening the way to a further easing of anti-apartheid sanctions from abroad and satisfying important demands of the black opposition.

De Klerk, in his speech to parliament, is expected to announce the scrapping of the Group Areas Act, which has segregated residential areas since 1966, and the Free Settlement Areas Act and various Land Acts, designed to conserve some 87 percent of land for whites, the newspaper quoted unnamed government sources as saying.

But the Population Registration Act of 1950, which classifies every South African by race at birth, will remain in force until a post- apartheid constitution is introduced, the newspaper said.

The repeal of the laws would satisfy most conditions imposed by the United States for the lifting of its economic sanctions package imposed in 1988 and also the majority of conditions laid down by the European Community for the scrapping of its own sanctions, introduced in 1985 and 1986.

To bring an end to sanctions, De Klerk would have to release all of an estimated 1,500 prisoners held for politically motivated crimes and allow some 20,000 political exiles to return - conditions he has already agreed to fulfill by the end of April 1991.

The repeal of the discriminatory laws, release of prisoners and return of exiles would also largely satisfy conditions laid down by the African National Congress for substantive talks with Pretoria on ending apartheid.

De Klerk already has legalized the ANC and other black opposition groups after 30 years, released Nelson Mandela from prison, and introduced further reforms.

These included the scrapping of the Separate Amenities Act, which segregated public facilities, and agreements in principle on the release of political prisoners and the return of exiles.

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#90354u0228 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (DEC. 20) UPI - A Thai court sentenced a 19-year-old British teenager to 25 years in prison Thursday for trafficking in more than 57 pounds of high-grade heroin, citing her age and confession as reasons to lighten the normal sentence of death.

''The evidence showed without doubt that the defendant is guilty of the charges,'' said the ruling by the two-judge court.

When the judges announced the sentence at 25 years in prison defendant Karyn Joanne Smith, 19, from Birmingham, burst into tears.

''We were prepared, but it was still a shock,'' said the teenager's mother, Marilyn.

The defendant, dressed in a brown prison uniform, had appeared in good spirits chatting with her parents before the session, but succumbed to tears when the reality of the sentence sunk in.

She was still crying as she was led away by court bailiffs.

The judges, reading alternately from the written judgment in a courtroom packed with reporters, said the normal death sentence for narcotics trafficking in Thailand had been reduced to life imprisonment because Smith

was under 20 years old at the time of the crime.

The judges further reduced the sentence to 25 years in prison because Smith had confessed to the charges and cooperated with the investigation.

''It was what we expected,'' said Eric Smith, the girl's father. ''We estimated it could be about 30 or 35 years.''

He said there would be no appeal. He said his daughter hoped she would be out of prison well before the full 25 years.

Legal sources said that with good behavior Smith might serve less than half of her sentence because Thailand has a tradition of periodic amnesties and reductions in sentence for auspicious holidays such as the king's birthday.

Smith was arrested on July 18 with a girlfriend, Patricia Ann Cahill, 17, with a suitcase filled with special containers holding 57.8 pounds of high-grade heroin.

Cahill, the youngest foreigner ever tried for heroin smuggling in Thailand, is being tried separately in juvenile court.

A court session held Thursday heard testimony from one of the officers who arrested the pair. Under Thai procedures juvenile court hearings are not open to the public.

Lawyers said that Cahill's case, because of her innocent plea, would take much longer to hear than Smith's and was unlikely to conclude until mid-1991.

Lawyers have described both teens as in good health and adapting as well as can be expected to their detention.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Nevada-Las Vegas Coach Jerry Tarkanian, weighed down with more bad news from the NCAA infractions committee, Wednesday night got the surprising good news he needed before Christmas: No. 22 Princeton gift-wrapped by one of the Rebels' best defensive performances.

''I was really surprised by the score,'' Tarkanian said after the top-ranked defending champions mauled the Tigers 69-35. ''Princeton did not have a good game. They're better than that.''

The Tigers had definitely been better, running up a 7-0 record, the best start ever by Coach Pete Carril teams in 24 years. But 22 turnovers and a frigid 29 percent second-half field goal percentage presented UNLV with a team record for fewest points allowed.

''I thought our defense was absolutely great tonight,'' Tarkanian said, after his club held Princeton scoreless for 10 minutes, 21 seconds in the second half.

''They're real good,'' Carril said of the Rebels, now 4-0 this year. ''Everything they do is so aggressive. I can see why they beat Duke by more than 30 points last year (in the NCAA championship game).''

While the Tigers tried to key on All-America forward Larry Johnson, guard Anderson Hunt hit five of six from 3-point range, leading the Rebels with 19 points.

Stacey Augmon scored 13 points, and Johnson added 11 and pulled down nine rebounds for the Rebels.

Chris Marquardt, hitting three of six from three-point range, led the Tigers with 11.

The Rebels had pulled out to a 13-0 lead in the first six minutes of the game and led 33-20 at the half.

The Tigers are known for their slow-down offense, but against the Runnin' Rebels they ground to a halt. They didn't get their first field goal until nearly seven minutes were gone in the first half, and they were given that one on a goaltending call.

Princeton was briefly in the game after back-to-back layups by Kit Mueller, a 3-pointer each by Marquardt, Sean Jackson and Matt Henshon helped pull the Tigers to 19-17 with 7:25 remaining.

But Hunt drilled a 3-point goal that keyed a 7-0 Rebel burst over the next three minutes to open it up again.

Hunt nailed three 3-pointers in the opening minutes of the second half, and the Rebels held the Tigers scoreless for 10 minutes, 21 seconds.

-- AROUND THE NCAA --

In other games involving ranked teams Wednesday night, No. 5 UCLA routed Pepperdine 103-78, ninth-ranked Duke blew out Harvard 103-61, Georgia Tech upset No. 13 Georgia and 16th-ranked Pittsburgh

At Los Angeles, junior forward Don MacLean pumped in 23 points and Keith Owens added 17, leading the Bruins to their eighth straight victory. Freshman forward Rodney Zimmerman blocked six shots, helping UCLA to its best start in 16 years. The Waves were led by junior Geoff Christie's 24 points.

At Cambridge, Mass., Christian Laettner led five Duke players in double figures, scoring 24 points and grabbing 14 boards as the Blue Devils improved to 7-2. Harvard committed 19 turnovers and shot just 34 percent for the game. Ron Mitchell's 17 points were the high for The Crimson.

At Atlanta, Kenny Anderson scored 7 points in the third overtime and finished with a career-high 40 to lead Georgia Tech. After tying the game at 98-98 with a short jumper at the end of the second overtime, Anderson hit a field goal and five free throws in the next five-minute period to give the Yellow Jackets the win.

At Pittsburgh, Brian Shorter and Bobby Martin combined for 36 points to lead the Panthers. Martin and Shorter had 18 points each and Jason Matthews added 15 points to help Pitt improve to 8-1. James Hargrove led the Dukes with 17 points.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Chicago still has some catching up to do if it is serious about contending with Detroit for the Eastern Conference crown this season.

''Today the Pistons played like world champs,'' Chicago's Michael Jordan said Wednesday night after the Pistons hammered the Bulls 105-84 in Auburn Hills, Mich. ''This is the team to beat, and we are all frustrated because we cannot win here.''

Isiah Thomas and Joe Dumars had 19 points apiece to help the Pistons snap a three-game losing streak.

The Bulls, who received 33 points from Jordan, already are calling a Christmas Day rematch in Chicago a must win.

''We have to work on the Detroit type of play,'' said Chicago Coach Phil Jackson, whose team lost for the first time in its last four games. ''Over Christmas we have to beat this team. If we don't, we will have to adjust our team one way or another.''

The Pistons, who won for only the second time in their last nine games, played like the team that beat the Bulls 4-3 in last year's Eastern Conference playoffs.

''The Pistons returned,'' said Detroit Coach Chuck Daly. ''When we play with that kind of intensity, we're some kind of basketball team. We showed why we were the NBA champions last year.''

The Pistons, who led by as many as 29, took control at the end of the first quarter and cruised to the final buzzer. Chicago hit just 35 of 99 field goals

including only four of 27 in the second quarter.

The Pistons blew the game open in the second quarter, outscoring the Bulls 24-10 and holding Chicago to 15 percent field goal shooting.

Dumars, who had 10 points in the first quarter, hit two long-range jumpers and Mark Aguirre added a layup as Detroit closed the quarter with a 23-20 edge.

Detroit built its lead to 31-22 at the start of the second period before Jordan connected on two 15-foot shots to pull Chicago within 31- 26 with 6:36 to play. The Bulls were held to one field goal in the last 3:26 of the opening quarter and in the first 4:20 of the second period.

The Pistons exploded for a 15-4 run over the last 5:56 of the second quarter to take a 46-30 halftime advantage. Jordan scored all but two of the Bulls' 10 points in the quarter.

''We found something that worked and we stayed with it,'' Dumars said of the Pistons' game plan. ''If we play as well as we did tonight, nobody can say that there is anything wrong with the Pistons.''

Detroit continued to dominate in the second half, allowing Chicago no closer than 13 points.

Elsewhere, Washington nipped Indiana 114-112 in overtime, New York defeated Miami 104-94, New Jersey topped the Los Angeles Clippers 118- 105, Boston beat Philadelphia 115-105, Cleveland clipped the Los Angeles Lakers 84-74, San Antonio trounced Denver 144-109, and Phoenix pounded Minnesota 112-96.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Bullets 114, Pacers 112 (OT)

At Indianapolis, Bernard King scored 37 points and Harvey Grant added 26 to help Washington snap a four-game road losing streak. Reggie Miller led Indiana with 34 points.

Knicks 104, Heat 94

At Miami, Patrick Ewing took control late in the game, scoring 9 straight points, to power New York and even John MacLeod's record as coach to 4-4. Ewing finished with 26 points, the first time in four games he has been held under 30.

Nets 118, Clippers 105

At East Rutherford, N.J., Derrick Gervin scored a game-high 27 points, rookie Derrick Coleman had 26 and Mookie Blaylock 25 to fuel New Jersey, which

snapped a three-game losing streak. The Nets outscored the Clippers 75-55 in the second half. Charles Smith had 25 points to pace the Clippers.

Celtics 115, 76ers 105

At Boston, Larry Bird scored 24 points, including 6 in a critical stretch of the fourth quarter, and added a season-high 6 steals for the Celtics, who won their fifth straight. Charles Barkley led the 76ers with 35 points, 17 in the fourth quarter.

Cavaliers 84, Lakers 74

At Richfield, Ohio, Larry Nance scored 16 of his game-high 26 points in the second half to help Cleveland outscore the Lakers 44-29 after intermission. Nance also pulled down 15 rebounds as the Cavaliers snapped a six-game losing streak. It was the Lakers' lowest point total of the season.

Spurs 144, Nuggets 109

At San Antonio, Sean Elliott scored 18 points to help the Spurs to their seventh straight victory. Terry Cummings and David Robinson added 17 points apiece as the Spurs placed eight players in double figures. Denver rookie Chris Jackson scored 27 for the Nuggets, who dropped to 1- 11 on the road.

Suns 112, Timberwolves 96

At Phoenix, Jeff Hornacek scored a game-high 23 points and dished out 16 assists to lead the Suns. Xavier McDaniel added 18 points to help the Suns win their seventh straight since acquiring him from Seattle. Gerald Glass led the Timberwolves with 27 points.

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(DEC, 20) UPI - A blue-collar work ethic is paying off for Chicago Blackhawks captain Dirk Graham.

Graham's short-handed goal with 4:25 remaining Wednesday night lifted his league-leading team to a 3-2 triumph over the Washington Capitals. The short-handed tally was Graham's fourth of the season. He had 10 in 1988-89 and three in an injury-plagued 1989-90 campaign.

''He just works so hard,'' said Washington goalie Don Beaupre, victimized for the game-winner this time after a strong performance himself. ''He earns it. You want to lead by example, and he's one of the players that does. He's been like that as long as I've known him.''

The teams played to a 2-2 draw for two and a half periods until Washington

defenseman Bob Rouse cut Bob McGill with a high-stick with 11:18 remaining, giving Chicago a five-minute power play. The Blackhawks began to pressure Beaupre, but a hooking penalty to the Blackhawks' Wayne Presley put the teams back at even strength.

For a while, it appeared as if the Capitals might snap their club record of 35 straight games without a tie. They are still the only team in the NHL to not play a tie this season.

But Steve Larmer presented the opportunity this time, stealing an errant pass in the Washington zone. He dished off to Graham, who moved straight in on Beaupre and beat him with a short wrist shot after faking a shot with his backhand.

The goal, Graham's 10th of the season, came just 28 seconds after Chicago center Jeremy Roenick was whistled off for boarding.

''I missed on a couple good opportunities earlier in the game, and I was fortunate enough to get another one,'' Graham said.

''The first thing you want to do is to kill the penalty off,'' he said. ''You don't want to take a chance and give up an opportunity, especially when you're a man down. But, if the opportunity is there ... we like to jump on it.''

Capitals Coach Terry Murray, who has seen his team lose four of its last five outings, was very displeased with opportunities lost.

''A stupid play. Just a stupid giveaway,'' Murray said. ''A lack of intensity is exactly what we talked about this afternoon at our team meeting. When we get an opportunity late in the game - same thing against the New York Rangers - when we got a power play and intensity drops off like this. There's no excuse for that kind of play whatsoever. ''

Chicago has won four of its last five games and now has 50 points with three games left until the halfway point.

''It's nice to get to that plateau, but we set our goals a lot higher,'' Graham said.

Soviet Dimitri Khristich made his NHL debut for Washington, two days after being called up from Baltimore. Khristich, signed away from the Soviet club Sokol Kiev on Dec. 11, had two good scoring chances in the opening period but failed to cash in.

Elsewhere, Montreal and Quebec tied 1-1 and Toronto topped the NY Rangers 4-1.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Canadiens 1, Nordiques 1

At Montreal, Shayne Corson scored late in the third period to lift Montreal to a 1-1 tie. Joe Sakic scored midway through the second period for Quebec, collecting his 22nd goal of the season.

Maple Leafs 4, Rangers 1

At New York, Aaron Broten scored twice to lead the last-place Maple Leafs to a 4-1 victory over the New York Rangers. The loss snapped a three-game winning streak for the lackluster Rangers, who were taunted throughout the game by their irate fans.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I brings the latest news.

Saudi Arabia wants to make sure it will be ready to supply all allied aircraft tanks and ships with enough fuel if they have to liberate Kuwait by force. Cairo Radio reports that the Saudi government has suspended all exports of aircraft fuel and ordered it stockpiled to ensure the supply for allied military aircraft in the Persian Gulf.

U-S troops in Operation Desert Shield are doing what they can to make this Christmas a merry... but modest... one. Some 270-thousand servicemen and women plan to observe the holiday the way they remember at home... from caroling aboard aircraft carriers in the Persian Gulf to planting Christmas trees in the sand.

News reports from Chile last night said that the nation's army went on alert and troops were confined to quarters following a report that Armed Forces Commander in Chief General Augusto Pinochet was asked to resign. Two top officials confirmed the troop activity, but said it was not jeopardizing democracy in Chile.

Soviet President Gorbachev says he'll impose a state of emergency in rebellious republics if that's what it takes to prevent a ''serious threat to state security and lives.'' Gorbachev cited ethnic strife sweeping Moldavia and Georgia. He reminded opponents that he holds special presidential powers that he has so far refrained from using.

In Poland, a government source says President-elect Lech Walesa will nominate as his new prime minister a 39-year-old economist who heads a small party that favors quick privatization of the economy. The source says Walesa has asked Jan Bielecki to form a government after Walesa takes office.

A Wisconsin judge has dismissed charges against a man convicted of sexually assaulting a woman who claims to have 46 personalities. Mark Peterson was convicted last month, but a judge overturned the conviction. Prosecutors say putting the woman through the ordeal of another trial could worsen her condition.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

WASHINGTON (114)

Grant 10-18 6-10 26, King 14-23 9-10 37, Jones 2-3 0-0 4, Walker 5-14 0-0 10, Workman 4-11 6-6 14, Ellison 6-10 2-7 14, Hammonds 1-7 0-1 2, Eackles 1-7 0-0 2, English 0-2 0-0 0, Foster 1-2 3-4 5. Totals 44-97 26-38 114.

INDIANA (112)

Person 9-20 3-8 22, Schrempf 7-10 2-3 16, Smits 5-11 2-3 12, Fleming 7-11 5-6 19, Miller 10-17 11-12 34, Thompson 1-4 0-0 2, K. Williams 1-2 0-0 2, Sanders 0-4 0-0 0, M. Williams 2-4 1-2 5, Wittman 0-2 0-0 0, Dreiling 0-1 0-2 0. Totals 42-86 24-36 112.

Washington	35	21	28	22	8--114
Indiana	32	28	22	24	6--112

Three-point shots- Miller (3). Fouled out-Walker, Thompson, Schrempf. Total Fouls-Washington 29, Indiana 33. Rebounds-Washington 55 (Ellison 15), Indiana 34 (Person, Schrempf 7). Assists- Washington 24 (Workman 8), Indiana 18 (Schrempf, Miller, Fleming 3). Technicals-Ellison, Smits, King, Person. A-8,956.

CHICAGO (84)

Pippen 2-16 0-0 4, Grant 3-8 1-1 7, Cartwright 4-13 1-2 9, Jordan 13-22 7-7 33 Paxson 2-3 0-2 6, Hopson 0-3 0-0 0, Perdue 2-2 0-0 4, King 4-7 1-1 9, Levingston 0-4 0-0 0, Hodges 1-8 0-0 2, Williams 1-3 0-0 2, Armstrong 3-10 1-2 8. Totals 35-99 11-15 84.

DETROIT (105)

Rodman 3-6 2-3 8, Edwards 4-6 3-7 11, Laimbeer 8-14 0-0 16, Dumars 9-14 1-1 19, Thomas 6-15 7-7 19, Johnson 2-6 0-0 4, Salley 2-6 3-5 7, Aguirre 6-7 2-2 15, Bedford 2-5 0-2 4, Blanks 0-2 2-2 2, Hastings 0-1 0-0 0, Rollins 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-82 20-29 105.

Chicago	20	10	27	27--	84

Detroit	22	24	27	32--105

Three-point goals-Paxson 2, Armstrong 1, Aguirre 1. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Chicago 25, Detroit 20. Rebounds-Chicago 48 (Pippen, Grant 9), Detroit 48 (Laimbeer 14). Assists-Chicago 17 (Jordan 6), Detroit 27 (Thomas 10). Technicals-Detroit, illegal defense; Chicago, illegal defense; Grant, Chicago. A-21,454.

PHILADELPHIA (105)

Payne 0-5 0-0 0, Barkley 16-29 3-3 35, Gminski 4-8 2-2 10, Green 5-8 0-0 11, Hawkins 3-9 6-6 12, Anderson 4-11 4-5 12, Mahorn 3-9 2-2 8, Turner 2-6 2-2 6, Bol 0-0 0-0 0, Oliver 4-5 0-0 9, Williams 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 42-91 19-20 105.

BOSTON (115)

Bird 9-19 3-4 24, Gamble 8-9 4-6 20, Parish 6-11 3-3 15, Shaw 2-8 1-2 5, Lewis 11-15 4-4 26, McHale 10-18 3-4 23, Brown 1-3 0-0 1. Totals 47-83 18-23 115.

Philadelphia	23	28	29	25--105
Boston	36	26	28	25--115

Three-point goals-Bird 3, Oliver, Green. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Philadelphia 18, Boston 15. Rebounds-Philadelphia 40 (Barkley 9), Boston 38 (Parish 12). Assists-Philadelphia 17 (Green 7), Boston 30 (Shaw 10). Technicals-None. A-14,890.

NEW YORK (104)

Oakley 6-7 3-5 15, Vanderweghe 3-12 1-2 7, Ewing 9-21 8-10 26, Jackson 5-10 1-3 11, G. Wilkins 3-6 5-5 11, Walker 0-2 6-8 6, E. Wilkins 2-3 4-4 8, Starks 5-12 0-0 10, Mustaf 4-4 2-3 10. Totals 37-77 30-40 104.

MIAMI (94)

Long 0-3 0-0 0, Thompson 0-2 0-0 0, Seikaly 7-14 2-4 16, Douglas 10-19 3-3 23, Rice 9-20 5-6 23, Edwards 1-4 0-0 2, Burton 6-10 2-4 15, Kessler 3-8 1-1 7 Davis 0-0 0-0 0, Coles 1-5 0-0 2, Sundvold 2-5 0-0 6, Askins 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39- 90 13-18 94.

New York	24	27	23	30--104
Miami	21	24	20	29-- 94

Three-point goals-Burton, Sundvold 3. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-New York 20, Miami 28. Rebounds-New York 49 (Oakley 16), Miami 36 (Seikaly 13). Assists-New York 17 (Jackson 16), Miami 17 (Douglas 5). Technicals-none. A-15,008.

MINNESOTA (96)

Corbin 5-18 5-7 15, Mitchell 4-10 7-8 15, Breuer 1-7 1-2 3, Campbell 2-11 2-4 6, Richardson 10-16 0-0 20, Spencer 2-2 0-0 4, West 3-8 0-0 6, Coffey 0-0 0-0 0, Brooks 0-0 0-0 0, Glass 11-20 4-4 27. Totals 38-92 19-25 96.

PHOENIX (112)

Chambers 6-9 0-0 12, McDaniel 8-13 2-2 18, West 6-9 3-3 15, Johnson 6-11 3-3 15, Hornacek 8-17 6-6 23, Majerle 4-8 4-10 12, Perry 3-4 3-4 9, Rambis 3-6 0-2 6, Knight 1-2 0-1 2. Totals 45-79 21-31 112.

Minnesota	16	24	21	35-- 96
Phoenix	29	30	29	24--112

Three-point goals-Glass, Hornacek. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Minnesota 24, Phoenix 19. Rebounds-Minnesota 33 (Mitchell, Spencer 7), Phoenix 51 (West 9). Assists-Minnesota 18 (Richardson 8), Phoenix 32 (Horenacek 16). Technical fouls-Phoenix illegal defense 2, Phoenix Coach Fitzsimmons. A-14,487.

LA CLIPPERS (105)

Norman 11-22 1-2 24, Manning 3-3 0-0 6, Smith 6-19 13-16 25, Grant 6-15 4-5 16 Martin 0-6 2-2 2, Kimble 0-2 0-0 0, Vaught 5-11 4-4 14, Garland 5-8 5-6 16, Bannister 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 37-89 29-35 105.

NEW JERSEY (118)

Morris 4-11 0-0 8, Coleman 11-20 4-8 26, Bowie 1-8 3-4 5, Blaylock 11-19 3-5 25, Theus 5-13 6-7 16, Haley 0-1 1-2 1, Gervin 9-18 8-9 27, Dudley 0-0 0-0 0, Lee 1-4 0-0 2, George 1-2 4-4 6, Buechler 1-1 0-0 2, Conner 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 44- 97 29-39 118.

LA Clippers	24	26	27	28--105
New Jersey	17	26	34	41--118

Three-point goals-Norman, Garland, Gervin. Fouled out-Manning. Total fouls-LA Clippers 33, New Jersey 29. Rebounds-LA Clippers 51 (Norman 10), New Jersey 47 (Coleman 17). Assists-LA Clippers 24 (Grant 16), New Jersey 22 (Blaylock, Theus 5). Technicals-None. A-7,092.

LA LAKERS (74)

Perkins 4-12 2-2 10, Worthy 7-19 3-3 17, Divac 5-10 2-2 12, Scott 4-11 0-0 8, Johnson 6-13 3-3 18, Green 1-5 2-2 4, Thompson 1-3 0-0 2, Teagle 0-5 0-2 0, Drew 1-2 0-0 3, Campbell 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 29-80 12-14 74.

CLEVELAND (84)

Nance 12-22 2-2 26, Brown 2-8 1-2 5, Daugherty 8-16 7-8 23, Ehlo 2-10 0-0 5, Kerr 4-7 0-0 9, Ferry 2-9 0-0 4, Paddio 0-2 0-0 0, Valentine 4-10 4-4 12.

Totals 34-84 14-16 84.

LA Lakers	23	22	18	11--74
Cleveland	24	16	25	19--84

Three-point goals-Johnson 3, Drew, Ehlo, Kerr. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-L.A. Lakers 14, Cleveland 14. Rebounds-L.A. Lakers 42 (Perkins 10), Cleveland 44 (Nance, Daugherty 15). Assists-L.A. Lakers 25 (Johnson 15), Cleveland 24 (Valentine 9). Technicals-Cleveland-illegal defense. A-19, 183.

DENVER (109)

Woolridge 5-14 6-7 16, Liberty 2-11 3-4 7, Rasmussen 7-15 0-0 14, Jackson 13-26 0-0 27, Lichti 3-12 4-4 10, Davis 2-11 2-2 6, Johnson 1-8 2-4 4, Wolf 3-3 0-0 6, Cook 3-7 3-7 9, Mills 4-12 2- 4 10. Totals 43-119 22-32 109.

SAN ANTONIO (144)

Elliott 7-11 4-4 18, Cummings 8-16 1-3 17, Robinson 6-9 4-5 16, Strickland 5-6 3-3 13, Anderson 4-11 4-5 12, Pressey 4-4 0-0 9, Myers 3-7 0-0 6, Greenwood 1-3 2-2 4, Schintzius 4-11 0-1 8, Higgins 7-9 0-0 14, Williams 6-9 3-4 17, Massenburg 5-8 0-0 10. Totals 60-104 21-27 144.

Denver	19	32	25	33--109
San Antonio	36	40	34	34--144

Three-point goals-Jackson, Pressey, Williams 2. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Denver 22, San Antonio 23. Rebounds- Denver 50 (Rasmussen 13), San Antonio 64 (Elliott 10). Assists-Denver 26 (Johnson 7), San Antonio 38 (Higgins 8). Technical fouls- none. A-15,908.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Boston at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Orlando at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Portland at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Seattle at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

Buffalo at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Hartford at NY Islanders, 7:35 p.m.
New Jersey at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Minnesota at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Washington at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.

Winnipeg at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Calgary, 9:35 p.m.
Edmonton at Vancouver, 10:35 p.m.

BOXING

Las Vegas, Nev. - Kelcie Banks vs. Ben Lopez, 10, lightweights.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Boston - Signed free agent pitcher Danny Darwin to 4-year contract.

California - Signed infielder Donnie Hill to 1-year contract.

Los Angeles - Announced pitcher Fernando Valenzuela and infielder Mickey Hatcher accepted salary arbitration; designated pitcher Darren Holmes for assignment.

Oakland - Named Rick Burleson hitting instructor.

Pittsburgh - Offered arbitration to catcher Don Slaught.

San Diego - Signed pitcher Mike Dunne to 1- year contract.

Seattle - Signed free agent pitcher Bill Krueger to 1-year contract.

Texas - Signed shortstop Jeff Kunkel to 1- year contract.

Toronto - Hired Bob Didier as minor league catching instructor.

COLLEGE

Boston College - Named Jimmye Laycock football coach.

North Texas - Named Dennis Parker football coach.

FOOTBALL

Atlanta - Placed wide receiver James Milling on injured reserve and signed quarterback Gilbert Renfroe off the practice squad.

Miami - Placed safety Liffort Hobley on injured reserve; signed safety Stefon Adams.

New York (WLAF) - Named Reggie Williams general manager.

HOCKEY

Los Angeles - Named Pat Hickey and Nick Fotiu co-head coaches and Hickey general manager of New Haven of the American Hockey League.

New Jersey - Sent defenseman Myles O'Connor and left wing Zedino Ciger to Utica of the American Hockey League.

St. Louis - Assigned right wing Steve Tuttle to Peoria (Ill.) of the International Hockey League.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	20	12	5	45	141	113
Philadelphia	19	16	3	41	127	122
New Jersey	17	13	5	39	138	120
Washington	18	18	0	36	119	111
Pittsburgh	16	16	3	35	146	132
NY Islanders	11	16	4	26	89	114

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	18	11	5	41	115	109
Montreal	16	16	4	36	112	114
Hartford	14	16	4	32	97	113
Buffalo	11	15	7	29	102	111
Quebec	8	21	7	23	101	154

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	24	11	2	50	125	93
St. Louis	20	9	4	44	115	90
Detroit	17	13	4	38	128	124
Minnesota	10	19	6	26	101	116
Toronto	9	25	2	20	96	146

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	20	11	4	44	145	109
Los Angeles	17	10	5	39	133	106
Vancouver	15	17	3	33	107	120
Edmonton	13	16	2	28	98	99
Winnipeg	10	20	7	27	120	139

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KATMANDU, NEPAL (DEC. 20) UPI - More than 136,000 Nepalese civil servants demanding pay increases staged a general work stoppage for the second straight day Thursday, paralyzing the administration of the Himalayan kingdom.

The civil servants refused to work for a second day after talks with the government failed to resolve outstanding issues. It was the eighth day of wage protests by civil servant.s

The government has said it cannot meet the demand of civil servants for increased salaries following an across-the-board 20 percent salary hike in July.

Mail delivery was hampered for the second day and minimal staff were working at the immigration office at Katmandu International Airport, slowing inbound and outbound travelers. Only emergency services operated at government hospitals.

The first round of formal talks between the government, represented by two ministers, and six union representatives Wednesday failed to resolve the issue and the meetings continued Thursday.

Civil servants began their job action Dec. 13 with a one-hour strike that has progressivly increased to the total stop-work of Wednesday and Thursday.

The civil servants have vowed to continue the protest that began Dec. 13 until their demands are met and have warned that threatened official reprisals against them would be resisted.

''If any action is taken against any employees in connection with the protest demonstrations, the association will not initate a dialogue until the actions are withdrawn,'' said the general secretariat of the Nepal Civil Servants Association.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 20) UPI - Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, architect of Mikhail Gorbachev's foreign policy reform that freed Eastern Europe and ended the Cold War, resigned Thursday to protest conservative attacks and ''an

impending dictatorship.''

The resignation, announced by Shevardnadze in a brief, emotional speech to stunned delegates to the Congress of People's Deputies, took Gorbachev by surprise, and a spokesman for the president said Shevardnadze had been asked to stay on the job.

''In any case, the political life of Shevardnadze will be long,'' presidential spokesman Vitaly Ignatenko told reporters after the speech. ''He may occupy any other post.''

Shevardnadze said he was ''deeply hurt'' by the personal attacks from critics of his foreign policy. More importantly, he said, conservative ''reactionary'' forces in the country were being allowed to move against the ideals of perestroika with little resistance.

In Washington, the White House and the State Department had no immediate comment on the announcement.

Shevardnadze recalled conservative attacks on him for ''giving away Eastern Europe'' at July's 28th Communist Party Congress and at recent sessions of the Supreme Soviet or standing parliament.

''There was not one person besides the chairman who could be found who would say this was dishonorable, this is not the way to act, this is not the way things are done in a civilized government,'' Shevardnadze said.

He said the conservative backlash was continuing almost unimpeded, mentioning a publication by the right-wing Russian nationalist movement Pamyat that said ''down with the clique of Gorbachev.''

''I say to you democrats, in the broadest sense of the word, you ran off,'' he said. ''The reformers fled to the bushes.''

Shevardnadze said unless something was done he feared the recent upsurge of criticism from the right would lead to the return of a dictatorship in the country.

''No one knows what kind of dictatorship it will be and who will come to power who will be the dictator and what kind of regime it will be,'' Shevardnadze said.

''(Therefore), I would like to make the following announcement. I am resigning '' he said. ''Don't dare make any reactions. Don't try to dissuade me. Don't scold me.

''Let this be my contribution if you wish, my protest against the impending dictatorship.

''I consider it my duty as a man, as a citizen and as a Communist. I cannot reconcile myself to all the events that are occurring in our country, and all the trials that are awaiting our people.

''I am nevertheless sure that a dictatorship will not happen, that our future is one of democracy, of freedom.''

The delegates to the fourth Congress of People's Deputies listened to the resignation speech in stunned silence, then rose at the end and gave him a standing ovation.

The official Soviet news agency Tass quoted two of Shevardnadze's deputies, Vladimir Petrovsky and Anatoly Kovalev, as saying he had not discussed the decision with the Foreign Ministry board.

Shevardnadze has been mentioned as a key candidate for prime minister or vice president under a government restructuring Gorbachev hopes will be approved at the Congress, but he made no mention of a new job in his resignation speech.

Shevardnadze said he would like to give his ''deepest thanks'' to Gorbachev. ''I am his friend and we think alike,'' he said.

''I support now and I will support to the end of my days the ideals of perestroika, the idea of the renewal of our society, the idea of democratization,'' Shevardndaze said. ''We accomplished marvels.''

Shevardnadze, 62, was appointed foreign minister by Gorbachev on July 2, 1985, as the Soviet leader was launching the perestroika and glasnost reforms that opened up the Soviet system and led to the dramatic changes in Eastern Europe and the end of the Cold War.

As foreign minister, Shevardnadze has traveled around the world to carry out the new Soviet foreign policy. He was responsible for the negotiations that led to the Soviet withdrawal of Afghanistan and was instrumental in the changes in Eastern Europe and the reunification of Germany.

Recently he has been a key to the diplomatic maneuvering in the Gulf crisis, meeting frequently with his American counterpart James Baker as the two superpowers formulated a common strategy in a conflict situation for the first time since World War II.

The son of a teacher in the southern republic of Georgia, Shevardnadze's first job was as an instructor at the Georgian Young Communist League Central Committee.

He worked his way up through a series of party posts until he became leader of the party in the republic in 1972, a post he held for 13 years.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	52	31	....
Anchorage cy	22	19	....
Asheville r	60	44	....
Atlanta r	61	52	....
Baltimore pc	53	32	....
Billings sn	-10	-22	.02
Birmingham r	61	50	....
Bismarck cld	03	-18	.02
Boston sy	51	31	....
Brownsville mc	79	66	....
Buffalo pc	38	25	....
Burlington Vt. sy	42	11	.01
Charleston S.C. r	70	59	.82
Charlotte r	60	49	....
Chicago cy	35	30	....
Cincinnati sy	44	34	....
Cleveland sy	38	28	....
Columbus Ohio sy	42	33	....
Dallas pc	68	51	....
Denver sn	18	-09	.04
Des Moines cy	38	36	....
Detroit pc	41	30	....
Duluth sn	21	18	.13
El Paso f	62	39	....
Evansville f	47	33	....
Fargo sn	15	-09	.35
Hartford sy	48	27	....
Honolulu sh	78	70	.84
Houston mc	67	54	....
Indianapolis f	40	33	....
Jackson Miss. cy	64	52	....
Jacksonville fy	82	64	....
Kansas City pc	50	39	....
Las Vegas pc	55	37	....
Little Rock pc	58	45	....
Los Angeles sh	60	45	....
Louisville sy	43	37	....
Memphis cy	61	44	....
Miami Beach pc	79	74	.01
Milwaukee pc	38	34	....
Minneapolis sn	27	22	.06

Nashville cy	50	38	....
New Orleans cy	66	62	....
New York sy	52	33	....
Oklahoma City cy	60	34	....
Omaha cld	30	06	.04
Orlando pc	84	63	....
Philadelphia pc	52	34	....
Phoenix sh	62	53	....
Pittsburgh sy	41	29	....
Portland Me. sy	48	22	....
Portland Ore. cld	32	16	.05
Providence sy	51	29	....
Richmond pc	57	35	....
St. Louis pc	46	39	....
Salt Lake City sn	34	20	.01
San Antonio pc	70	49	....
San Diego sh	63	51	.37
San Francisco pc	50	40	.03
San Juan pc	83	70	....
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Tampa pc	83	65	....
Washington pc	54	36	....
Wichita cy	53	15	....

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r-rain
sh-showers
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze dropped a

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He said ''Let this be my contribution if you wish, my protest against the impending dictatorship.'' Shevardnadze said he would like to give his ''deepest thanks'' to Soviet President Gorbachev, whom he called his ''friend.''

Army troops throughout Chile are reported to be on alert and confined to their barracks, folliwing news reports saying that Armed Forces Commander in Chief General Augusto Pinochet was asked to resign.

An earthquake measuring more than six on the Richter scale jolted eastern Taiwan today. It was the 153rd tremor to strike the island within the past week. There were no immediate reports of injuries or severe property damage from the quake.

A judge in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, has dismissed the case against a man accused of sexually assaulting a woman by taking advantage of her multiple personalities. Prosecutors asked that the charges against the man be dropped to spare the woman another court ordeal.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed lower Thursday as drops in the value of the Japanese yen and bond prices dampened investor enthusiam.

The benchmark Nikkei Average of 225 issues, which gained 452.76 points Wednesday, fell 351.84 points to 24,524.94.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major stocks, which was added 30.93 points Wednesday, fell 26.04 points to 1, 795.37.

An estimated 360 million shares changed hands, compared with 639.3 million Wednesday.

Declines outpaced advances 856 to 157, while 125 issues remained unchanged.

Analysts said the Tokyo Foreign Exchange market had the strongest influence on stock prices.

On the foreign exchange, a tax evasion scandal involving a leading member of Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party pushed the U.S. dollar sharply higher against the Japanese yen.

The dollar closed at 134.58 yen, up 1.31 from 133.27 yen Wednesday.

The dollar's rise against the yen was blamed on a political scandal which dominated the news in Japan Wednesday and Thursday.

Concern this may signal a sustained drop in the value of the yen caused traders to sell stocks, analysts said.

A drop in Japanese bond prices also depressed the stock market, market watchers explained. The benchmark No. 119 issue fell 0.30 yen to 95.51 yen.

''Today the real story is the curreny market and the Inamura scandal, '' said Chris Schreiber, a broker with New Japan Securities Co.

''People are not sure which way the curreny market is going,'' said Schreiber. ''If the yen has a major move down, we may see more profit taking in the stock market.''

Schreiber said profit taking was a further reason for the decline Thursday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange slipped in thin trading reflecting the usual yearend market slump.

The blue-chip Hang Seng Index, which added 16.79 points Wednesday, eased 5.23 points to 3,078.21.

Among the market's narrower indexes, financials added 8.13 points, utilities climbed 20.49 points, properties fell 40.89 and industrials lost 13.64 points.

Turnover amounted to 587 million shares, compared with 489 million Wednesday.

Analysts said the bullishness as a result of the U.S. Federal Reserve Board's decision to lower its discount rate worn out.

''It's all wait and see now,'' said Veit Schuhen of Hypobank. ''I would say the only big news that could effect us between now and the new year would be major news from the Persian Gulf. But we don't expect that to happen until the middle of January at the earliest.''

In Singapore, stocks closed mixed on the Singapore Stock Exchange after trading resumed following a six-hour suspension due to a technical failure in the computer system.

Trading was extended by 90 minutes due to the failure.

The blue-chip Straits Times Industrial Index, which eased 0.76 points Wednesday, gained 4.00 points to 1,173.64. The broader-based All Singapore

Index slipped 0.23 point to 323.42.

Volume amounted to 18.2 million shares, compared with 46.7 million Wednesday.

Analysts said with the volume so thin, most investors were not willing to commit themselves as the year approached.

On the trading floor, Metro Holdings paced the advancing issues followed by Malayan Banking and United Engineers.

Overseas Union Enterprise led the declining stocks followed by Wearne Brothers and Singapore Airlines.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stock prices closed lower in thin trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange, reflecting the tense situation in the Middle East.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index, which added 4.54 points Wednesday, slipped 6.90 points to 616.68.

Volume amounted to 32 million Thai shares, compared with 73 million Wednesday.

''The market eased because investors are worried that war may be unavoidable in the Gulf,'' said Panthavit Pattanasiri, a broker from Phatra Thanakit Co., Ltd.

In Australia, stock prices closed lower on the Sydney Sharemarkets dragged down by nervous investors bailing out of News Corporation amid reports that Rupert Murdoch's empire could be in serious trouble.

The All Ordinaries Index, which added 0.4 points Wednesday, fell 7.5 to 1,276.6.

Volume amounted to around an estimated 130 million shares, compared with 73 million chnaging hands Wednesday.

Analysts said News Corp. slumped after a report that the BBC's Channel 4 was to broadcast Thursday a documentary claiming the company was in dire trouble.

News Corp. stock plummeted $1.09 to $4.35.

Analysts were skeptical the BBC documentary would reveal any details not already known by the market.

A spokesman for News Corp. said the company saw no reason for the fall and that its negotiations with its banks were proceeding satisfactorily.

News Corp.'s problems dragged the banks lower. Westpac Bank fell 11 cents to

$3.60 and ANZ Bank dropped 6 cents to $3.37.

Elsewhere, the value of gold climbed on the Sydney Exchange, inspiring cautious buying on shares in gold-mining companies.

The approach of the U.S.-imposed Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait brought traders back to the gold scene.

Dominion rose 3 cents to 73 cents, Placer Pacific added 1 cent to $2. 85, and Homestake Mining gained 3 cents to 80 cents a share.

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#90354u0454 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 20) UPI - An airman sent to Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield has been reunited with his family at Children's Hospital so he can undergo tests to determine if he has the same rare ailment that recently cost his sister her liver.

Brook Emerick, 16, underwent liver transplant surgery necessitated by a killer ailment known as Wilson's disease on Dec. 6. Her brother, Airman 1st Class Scott Emerick, was flown home for tests and will remain as a result of the family crisis.

Brook's doctors first thought she might have hepatitis, her mother, Barbara Emerick, said as the family was reunited at the hospital.

''They took us into the room and said she had this Wilson's disease. I said, 'You mean to tell me she could die?''' Mrs. Emerick said.

Wilson's is an inborn defect inhibiting the body's ability to process copper. Copper is dumped into the liver, causing jaundice and cirrhosis.

''She was going downhill so fast it was amazing,'' said another brother, Chuck.

In the Persian Gulf, Scott learned that his sister could die without a new liver. A few days later, he was told that he, too, might have Wilson's. Like his brother, he had to be tested.

Scott and Chuck will not know for a week or so whether they have Wilson's disease. Each has a 1-in-4 chance because both parents bear the Wilson-carrying recessive gene.

To Scott, it is a blessing in disguise. The disease, diagnosed at such an early stage, is treatable and his return to the States could be permanent.

The timing of his return also will allow him to spend the holidays with his family again.

If all goes well, Brook is expected to be released from Children's on Friday, a hospital spokeswoman said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) UPI - Initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits were a seasonally adjusted 455,000 for the week ending Dec. 8, a decrease of 16,000 from the week before, the Labor Department said Thursday.

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BOSTON (DEC. 20) UPI - Boston College was sent back to the drawing board in its search for a new head football coach Thursday when Jimmye Laycock, the winningest coach in William & Mary history, changed his mind one day after accepting the post.

It was the second time BC had been spurned by a Virginia coach. Virginia Tech coach Frank Beamer was the school's first choice to replace Jack Bicknell, but he withdrew his name from consideration Monday.

Laycock accepted the post Wednesday, but called BC Athletic Directort Chet Gladchuk around 5:30 a.m. Thursday to say he had reconsidered.

''He told me he really thought the job was there, he felt good about BC, he felt good about the conditions, the whole situation. But he felt he just could not leave his home,'' Gladchuk said.

''I felt very confident that everything was all set to go,'' Gladchuk said. ''(But) I can't control a man's emotions. It's unfortunate because he's a quality guy.''

In announcing the appointment Wednesday, Gladchuk said Laycock has been ''referred to by many as one of the brilliant minds in the game today.''

Laycock, who was preparing to move up from Division I-AA to Division I-A and receive a substantial pay hike, Wednesday called the chance to lead the Eagles ''a tremendous opportunity.''

Laycock's record in 11 years at William & Mary was 68-56-2, making him the Tribe's winningest coach. He enjoyed his greatest success in his last five years, posting a 52-18-2 mark, including a school-high 10 wins last season to go with three losses. Laycock also coached the Tribe longer than anyone in the team's 97-year history.

William & Mary qualified for the Division I-AA tournament three times in the

past five seasons, losing twice in the first round.

Gladchuk did not say who was the next choice to replace Bicknell, the Eagles' coach for 10 years. Bicknell was fired last month after four consecutive losing seasons. His overall mark was 59-55-1, but only 14-30 in the last four years.

BC reportedly had agreed to pay Laycock about $160,000 annually. His William & Mary salary was approximately $70,000. But after first accepting the post, Laycock said money ''was not by any means the deciding factor.''

Even though the BC job represented a move up in divisions and a pay raise, Laycock had obviously been reluctant to move. He met with football staff members Tuesday night after returning from Boston, only to tell them he would speak to them again Wednesday. After twice delaying that discussion, he met with his assistants at midafternoon, informed school officials of his decision and left the campus immediately.

The Richmond Times-Dispatch reported Wednesday Laycock left an unidentified friend with the impression he was emotionally torn by the decision he eventually made.

''It's the ties here, it's the people here, it's the family here, it's the degree of comfort here, it's the players you have here,'' Laycock said, regarding the difficulty of his decision to leave Williamsburg.

''You put in 11 years, and 11 hard years in a lot of respects, 11 good years, and it's very difficult to leave - very difficult,'' Laycock said. ''Boston College is a good job, and I looked at it that way, but I also looked at this program and these people.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Dec. 19: Purchases of 384,977 shares and sales of 706,306 shares including 40,320 shares sold short.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

. City	Local Time	Temp F	C
Aberdeen cy	1pm	43	06
Amsterdam cy	1pm	44	06

Ankara pc	3pm	36	02
Athens pc	2pm	58	14
Auckland r	12m	62	16
Beijing sm	8pm	35	02
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin s	1pm	35	01
Bonn dr	1pm	37	02
Brussels pc	1pm	40	04
Cairo c	2pm	71	22
Casablanca pc	12n	59	15
Copenhagen c	1pm	37	02
Dakar pc	12n	71	21
Dublin cy	1pm	50	10
Geneva c	1pm	35	01
Helsinki s	2pm	32	00
Hong Kong hz	8pm	68	20
Jerusalem cy	2pm	61	16
Karachi c	5pm	75	24
Lisbon c	1pm	49	09
London r	1pm	44	07
Madrid c	1pm	41	05
Malta cy	1pm	61	16
Manila c	8pm	80	26
Moscow cy	3pm	26	-02
Nairobi pc	3pm	76	24
Nassau c	7am	72	22
New Delhi c	6pm	64	18
Nice c	1pm	47	08
Oslo c	1pm	25	-03
Paris cy	1pm	37	02
Pretoria pc	2pm	75	24
Riyadh	3pm	77	25
Rome c	1pm	50	10
Seoul c	9pm	36	02
Sofia r	2pm	38	03
Stockholm cy	1pm	31	00
Sydney cy	10pm	70	21
Taipei cy	8pm	65	18
Tokyo hz	9pm	47	08
Tunis pc	1pm	58	14
Vienna s	1pm	33	01
Warsaw cy	1pm	32	00

Latin America

Buenos Aires c	9am	75	24
Caracas cy	8am	83	28
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima pc	7am	64	18

Mexico City hz	6am	48	09
Rio de Janeiro pc	9am	80	27
Santiago cy	8am	64	18

Canada		
Calgary c	-17	-27
Edmonton	--	-
Montreal	--	-
Ottawa	--	-
Regina	--	-
Toronto s	36	02
Vancouver	--	-
Winnipeg	--	-

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s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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BANGKOK, THAILAND (DEC. 20) UPI - Cambodia' s ruling Communist Party toughened its stand on the eve of peace talks in Paris, rejecting plans to put the country under U.N. protection and calling for the dissolution of the Khmer Rouge resistance, the official SPK news agency reported.

The agency, in a report dated Wednesday, said the Communist politburo met earlier in the day to ''determine the stance'' of its delegation at talks due to start in Paris Friday.

It quoted party leader Heng Samrin as saying the party rejected what he said were efforts by the three-part resistance coalition to undermine the government that was installed by the 1978 Vietnamese invasion.

''If they persist in their demand for dissolving the Cambodian government and the Cambodian armed forces and put Cambodia under the protection of any organization, the peace process in Cambodia will get into a deadlock again,'' Heng Samrin said.

Although the party leader did not mention it specifically, he appeared to be referring to U.N. peace plan that calls for creation of a U.N. Transitional Authority in Cambodia that would oversee the disarming of all sides, supervise key ministries and conduct national elections.

The plan, worked out by the U.N. Security Council last month, was to be the subject of the Paris talks.

Under the proposal, up to 20,000 U.N. officials and peace-keeping troops were expected to take part in the effort to end the 12-year-old Cambodian conflict.

Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach last week emphatically rejected the plan as a violation of Cambodian national sovereignty and of the U.N. charter.

Heng Samrin appeared to echo the Vietnamese position.

''Only the Cambodian people can exercise their sovereignty and right of self-determination through free and fair general elections to choose their own socio-economic regime and their leaders,'' he said.

He repeated demands for guarantees that the Khmer Rouge, the Chinese- backed wing of the Communist Party ousted by the Vietnamese invasion, would not return to power.

Heng Samrin, a former Khmer Rouge regional military commander, defected to Vietnam in 1978 when he became the target of one of many internal purges by Khmer Rouge leaders.

Political executions and radical economic policies under Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot led to the deaths of more than 1 million people from 1975 to 1979.

''The best measure to prevent the return of the genocidal regime is to dissolve the Polpotist organization both politically and militarily, and send its ringleaders (for trial),'' Heng Samrin said.

Khmer Rouge radio, however, Thursday proclaimed full support for the U.N. peace plan and the Paris meeting.

It said the Khmer Rouge, the strongest of the three resistance groups, ''would like to express its support for the draft agreement for a political and comprehensive solution.''

The radio urged Vietnam and Phnom Penh to accept the peace plan because ''the Cambodian people need peace and independence without Vietnamese aggressor forces occupying Cambodia.''

It said official Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Samphan and defense minister Son Sen would attend the Paris talks.

Despite the preparations for peace talks, both sides reported fighting on the ground in western Cambodia.

SPK said government troops killed 19 guerrillas in fighting in Siem Reap province.

Khmer Rouge radio reported increased fighting around the district capital of Samrong near the northwestern border with Thailand.

It said five Vietnamese soldiers were killed and 10 wounded in fighting on Dec. 18.

''The resistance forces are attacking and surrounding the Samrong township from every direction,'' it said.

Vietnam has denied it has any combat troops remaining in the country since its official withdrawal in 1989, although it admits that advisors, technicians and military intelligence officers have remained.

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#90354u0517 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 20) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze told the Congress of Peoples Deputies today that he is resigning. He said ''I cannot reconcile myself to all the events that are occurring in our country, and all the trials that are awaiting our people.'' The 62- year-old Shevardnadze was appointed foreign minister by Mikhail Gorbachev in 1985 as the Soviet leader was launching the reforms that opened up the Soviet system and led to the dramatic changes in Eastern Europe and the end of the Cold War. Shevardnaze worked his way up through a series of party posts until he became leader of the party in the republic in 1972, a post he held for 13 years. As foreign minister, he has traveled around the world to carry out the new Soviet foreign policy.

In an interview with Turkish television aired by Cable News Network, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said yesterday there is ''still a chance of peace instead of war.'' He said a diplomatic solution must address the Arab-Israeli dispute and the Palestinian question. President Bush has refused to link the gulf crisis with any outside issue.

A court in Thailand sentenced a 19-year-old British woman to 25 years in prison today for trafficking in more than 57 pounds of high-grade heroin. The court cited her age and confession as reasons to lighten the normal sentence of death. When the two-judge court announced the sentence, defendant Karyn Joanne Smith from Birmingham, England, burst into tears.

A newspaper in Johannesburg reports that the South African government is expected to scrap all but one of the remaining apartheid laws at the opening of parliament February 1st. The report says the changes will desegregate residential areas and end racial restrictions on land ownership. The repeal would satisfy most conditions imposed by the United States for the lifting of its economic sanctions.

Lebanon's prime minister has resigned. Veteran Sunni Moslem Selim Hoss submitted his resignation yesterday during the last session of his outgoing 14-member cabinet. The move paves the way for the formation of a new government under a national reconciliation accord that gives Moslems greater political power.

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#90354u0535 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) UPI - Americans earned, spent and saved more in November than the month before, the Commerce Department said Thursday. Personal income increased $13.5 billion last month to an annual rate of $4.7 trillion after decreasing by $800 million the month before.

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Personal interest income increased by $1 billion in November after gaining $1.2 billion the month before. Personal tax and non-tax payments rose $2 billion last month ater falling $200 million in October. Disposable personal income, which includes income after taxes, increased by $11.4 billion after falling $600 million in October.

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Gorbachev condemned the decision of his close ally and said he had not been consulted before Shevardnadze's surprise announcement at the Congress of People's Deputies, which voted 1,540-52 to ask Shevardnadze to reconsider.

''Such a step as he took, taken without consultation with the president, I personally condemn,'' Gorbachev said. ''Moreover, I will tell you directly that I had reached a point in my plans where I was ready to recommend comrade Shevardnadze for vice president.

''... Now is perhaps the most difficult time, and to leave now is unforgiveable.''

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Shevardnadze said he feared the recent upsurge of criticism from the right would lead to the return of a dictatorship in the country, but he made it clear he was not attacking his close ally, Gorbachev.

''No one knows what kind of dicatatorship it will be and who will come to power, who will be the dictator and what kind of regime it will be,'' Shevardnadze said.

''(Therefore), I would like to make the following announcement. I am resigning '' he said. ''Don't dare make any reactions. Don't try to dissuade me. Don't scold me.

''Let this be my contribution if you wish, my protest against the impending dictatorship.

''I consider it my duty as a man, as a citizen and as a communist. I cannot reconcile myself to all the events that are occurring in our country, and all the trials that are awaiting our people.

''I am nevertheless sure that a dictatorship will not happen, that our future is one of democracy, of freedom.''

The delegates to the fourth Congress of People's Deputies listened to the resignation speech in stunned silence, then rose at the end and gave him a standing ovation.

Leaders of the ''Soyuz'' group of deputies that has been calling for a return to firm state control in the Soviet Union said they were pleased that Shevardnadze was leaving.

''This deed of his was unseemly, but it was a step in the right direction,'' said Col. Viktor Alksnis, a founder of the conservative group. ''Shevardnadze

is leaving a sinking ship.''

Most officials and deputies agreed, however, that Shevardadze's decision to quit was a blow to Soviet foreign policy and Gorbachev's government in general. Some said they hoped it would shock reformers out of their complacency.

''Shevardnadze's step is a deliberate sacrifice,'' Deputy Nikolai Medvedev said. ''It is aimed at making the reformers think better of it, to rouse us and look at the situation in the country.''

Shevardnadze said he would like to give his ''deepest thanks'' to Gorbachev. ''I am his friend and we think alike,'' he said.

''I support now and I will support to the end of my days the ideals of perestroika, the idea of the renewal of our society, the idea of democratization,'' Shevardndaze said. ''We accomplished marvels.''

Shevardnadze, 62, was appointed foreign minister by Gorbachev on July 2, 1985, as the Soviet leader was launching the perestroika and glasnost reforms that opened up the Soviet system and led to the dramatic changes in Eastern Europe and the end of the Cold War.

As foreign minister, Shevardnadze has traveled around the world to carry out the new Soviet foreign policy. He was responsible for the negotiations that led to the Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan and was instrumental in the changes in Eastern Europe and the reunification of Germany.

Recently he has been a key to the diplomatic maneuvering in the Persian Gulf crisis, meeting frequently with his American counterpart, James Baker, as the two superpowers formulated a common strategy in an international conflict for the first time since World War II.

The son of a teacher in the southern republic of Georgia, Shevardnadze's first job was as an instructor at the Georgian Young Communist League Central Committee.

He worked his way up through a series of party posts until he became leader of the party in the republic in 1972, a post he held for 13 years.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $386.80, silver base of $4249 and platinum price of $425.90:

	Thursday	Wednesday

U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$402.70	392.80
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	206.00	201.50
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	106.00	103.50
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.80	42.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	402.70	392.80
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	206.00	201.50
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.60	104.00
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.80	42.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	409.20	399.10
China Panda .50 troy oz.	210.30	205.60
China Panda .25 troy oz.	109.30	106.60
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	47.30	46.10
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.20	27.50
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	403.10	392.90
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	206.00	200.80
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	104.10	101.50
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	43.30	43.70
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	401.90	391.40
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	208.00	202.60
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.70	104.00
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.40	44.30
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	401.80	391.20
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	206.60	201.20
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.60	86.40
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	N.A.	N.A.
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.30	23.80
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.64	$5.40
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,180	$3,080
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,400	$1,325
Platinum		
Australian Koala	445.00	434.00
Isle of Man Noble	442.00	431.00
Canada Maple Leaf	453.00	442.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90354u0608 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 20) UPI - The man who implemented Mikhail Gorbachev's new foreign

policy has called it quits. Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze handed in his resignation today during a speech to the Congress of People's Deputies.

Shevardnadze said he was asking the Congress to accept his resignation because of attacks on him and his foreign policy by conservative political rivals. He said he feared the return of a ''dictatorship'' in the country.

A senior United Nations official in Thailand says the Gulf crisis hit economic growth in most developing countries in Asia this year. But he said the overall regional growth rate stayed at five-point-four percent.

The Boston Herald says a Massachusetts defense contractor skipped or faked tests on key components of a Navy missile that may be used in the event of war in the Persian Gulf. The report quoted two former executives of Micro-Dyanmics Incorporated.

Japan's Cabinet decided today to slash defense spending growth nearly in half during the next five years. However, the Cabinet also decided to raise Japan's share of the cost of maintaining U-S forces and its purchases of U-S military hardware.

A new study by Freedom House says that 43 journalists were killed on the job in 1990 worldwide. The study said that there were 40 fewer journalists killed in 1990 than in 1989, but 18 more were kidnapped.

NASA officials say the space agency has developed a 40 Million dollar plan to fix the Hubble Space Telescope. The plan involves a 1993 spacewalk to replace one instrument on the orbiting outpost and sacrifice another to make room for a corrective device.

The American Hospital Association reports growing shortages among 14 hospital occupations. The A-H-A said as a result, some hospitals are boosting salaries to retain and recruit personnel, and others are cutting services.

A 19-year-old British woman has been sentenced by a court in Thailand to 25 years in prison for trafficking in more than 57 pounds of high- grade heroin. The judges said the normal death sentence was reduced because of Karyn Smith's age.

More than 136-thousand civil servants in Nepal staged a general strike for the second straight day today to demand pay increases. The government has said it canNOT meet the demands of the civil servants, following an across-the-board 20 percent salary hike in July.

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#90354u0631 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (DEC. 20) UPI - The judge in charge of the case against Manuel Noriega

has ordered federal prosecutors to prepare a criminal case against Cable News Network for defying his order not to air a tape of the former Panamanian dictator talking with his defense team.

U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler directed the U.S. Attorney's office Wednesday to prepare papers directing CNN to show why it should not be held in criminal contempt for violating his temporary restraining order last month.

Network personnel responsible for preparing, producing and broadcasting the tape could go to jail if CNN was found in criminal contempt.

CNN officials said they expect the network to be cleared of wrongdoing. ''CNN is confident that if and when a trial is held on the issue of contempt, its actions will be vindicated,'' network spokesman Steve Haworth said.

A CNN reporter in Panama obtained the tape, which was made by officials at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in Dade County where Noriega is being held for trial on drug charges.

Prison officials routinely tape inmates' conversations but are restricted from recording privileged conversations between prisoners and their attorneys. The Noriega tape contained a conversation between him and his attorney's law office.

On Nov. 8, Hoeveler issued a temporary restraining order against airing the tapes after CNN broadcast a portion of a conversation between Noriega and a friend until the judge could determine if the broadcast violated Noriega's right to a fair trial.

Noriega is awaiting trial on drug-trafficking and money laundering charges at MCC, where he has been held since his arrival in the United States in January. Noriega surrendered to U.S. agents following the U.S. invasion of Panama Dec. 20, 1989.

CNN aired other segments, including Noriega's conversations with his defense team Nov. 9 and Nov. 10 in violation of Hoeveler's order.

The network appealed the temporary restraining order to the Supreme Court, which let the Nov. 18 order stand.

On Dec. 6, Hoeveler determined the broadcast did not threaten Noriega's right to a fair trial but reserved the right to pursue contempt charges against CNN.

Hoeveler's order directed the U.S. attorney to prepare a show cause order on why Cable News Network Inc. and Turner Broadcasting System Inc. - collectively CNN - ''should not be held in criminal contempt of this court.''

The order also said the U.S. attorney to provide ''the essential facts

constituting the criminal contempt charged and describe it as such.''

Hoeveler said he issued the order because CNN violated the temporary restraining order without waiting for the legal process to decide the issue.

''Civil contempt action would have been justified had the action not taken place, but once the action of airing the tape was taken, the only recourse is criminal proceedings,'' Hoeveler said.

''This is not a message to the media at all,'' he said. ''It is simply what the law requires in this case. I would say it is almost routine.''

Noriega defense attorney Frank Rubino praised Hoeveler for seeking criminal action against CNN, saying the action ''may teach CNN and others out there that when a U.S. judge makes an order, they cannot just flagrantly ignore such an order, that they must comply with it.''

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#90354u0650 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

INDIANAPOLIS (DEC. 20) UPI - Dick Versace was fired Thursday as coach of the Indiana Pacers and replaced by assistant Bob Hill. Hill becomes the team's fifth different coach in just over two years.

The Pacers were 73-87 under Versace, but 9-16 this season with one road victory in 13 tries. Versace, a former Detroit assistant and college coach at Bradley, ended his reign after a 114-112 overtime loss Wednesday at home to Washington.

Versace took over the Pacers in January 1989. Jack Ramsay had resigned after an 0-7 start, assistant Mel Daniels coached the team through two more losses and George Irvine, the team's former coach who is director of player personnel compiled a 6-14 record as an interim coach until a search produced Versace.

Indiana was 42-40 last season, only the second winning season for the club in 15 NBA campaigns. Team dissension over Versace's coaching style and arguments over his substition choices caused a rift between players and Versace.

When asked Wednesday night if Versace should be replaced, guard Vern Fleming said, ''I don't know about that. But one thing is for sure. We've got to start winning some games.''

Hill, a former New York Knicks coach, was in his second season as a Pacer assistant. He replaced Hubie Brown 16 games into the 1986-87 season and earned praise despite being replaced after a 20-46 record. Hill, a native of Columbus Ohio, has also coached in Italy and served as a scout for Charlotte. His college background includes eight years as an assistant at Kansas after serving as an aide at Bowling Green and Pittsburgh.

The switch comes one game after Donnie Walsh, Indiana's vice president, professed his support for Versace and was surprised about rumors a coaching change would be made. Walsh said the team was moving in the right direction after a victory at Utah and a last-second loss to the Los Angeles Lakers.

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#90354u0651 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 69.25-70.75 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 117.625-118.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 34.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 39.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $180.00-$195.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $410.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $421.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $104.00-$108.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 271.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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#90354u0663 12/20/1990 ~United Press International
BERLIN (DEC. 20) UPI - The first elected parliament of a united Germany in nearly six decades convened Thursday for its inaugural session at Berlin's historic Reichstag.

In one of its first acts, the new Parliament voted overwhelmingly to re-elect conservative Rita Suessmuth to the prestigious post of parliamentary president.

The 662 deputies from eastern and western Germany were elected Dec. 2, two months after the flag of German unification was raised over Berlin's Reichstag Oct. 3.

In her acceptance speech, Suessmuth said the role of Parliament was to complete the unity of people living in eastern and western Germany, strive toward European unification and support the new democracies in Eastern Europe.

She also called on Parliament to work for the cause of peace, an apparent reference to tensions in the Persian Gulf.

''We did not fight for peace in Europe so that it would not be built up and maintained in other parts of the world,'' she said to thunderous applause. ''It is the duty of this Parliament and of those carrying political responsibility to do everything to prevent a war of insanity.''

Italian President Francesco Cossiga was among the dignitaries attending the session, which coincided with a meeting of prime ministers of the 16 German states in Munich.

The Munich meeting was the first to include the leaders of all German states since 1947, when the leaders of the Soviet occupation areas, which later became East Germany, walked out of a similar conference, also held in Munich.

The Reichstag, which last hosted a freely-elected Parliament in 1933, has stood at the center of Germany's turbulent history for nearly a century. Its construction was commissioned in 1871, when German lands were first unified in a single country.

One month after Adolf Hitler became chancellor and eliminated most parliamentary powers, a huge fire gutted the Reichstag, Feb. 27, 1933.

''This building, as one knows, went up in flames after the majority of the people working there had become a droning male choir,'' former chancellor Willy Brandt told deputies Thursday.

Brandt, 77, a Social Democrat who is chairman by seniority, reminded

parliamentarians that Hitler had sent about 200 deputies to concentrations camps.

''Who still remembers today that over 100 parliamentarians lost their lives?'' he said. ''The view from this Reichstag building includes rememberance. It is not only the open area left by the fall of the wall. It is also the places from which the war and the crimes started.''

He urged Germans not to lose courage or become aggressive because ''of a feeling of having been on the wrong side of history.

''The end of the Cold War and military confrontation, the peaceful and courageous uprising of our fellow-countrymen in the former GDR (East Germany), the realization of state unity, the chance for European unity - all that was and remains a cause for great joy,'' he said.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl, whose center-right coalition holds a majority of seats in Parliament, was originally expected to be confirmed at Thursday's session as the first head of state to lead a post-war unified Germany.

But the vote and swearing-in ceremony for the cabinet was postponed because the coalition partners were still negotiating future government policy. The new government is now expected to be formed Jan. 17.

Since the Dec. 2 election, Kohl's Chrisitan Democratic Union, its Bavarian sister party, the Christian Social Union, and the liberal Free Democratic Party have haggled over how to raise funds to pay for the rehabilitation of run-down eastern Germany.

Before the elections, Kohl promised not to raise taxes to pay for unification, but said that new environmental levies will be established.

The coalition also agreed in principle that motorists will have to pay a fee to use Germany's Autobahns and decided to raise telephone fees to help modernize the obsolete telecommunications system in the former East Germany.

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#90354u0677 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

MOUNT VERNON, Mo. (DEC. 20) UPI - The Missouri Supreme Court Thursday refused to order hospital officials to resume feeding Nancy Cruzan, whose family last week won the right to remove the feeding tube that has kept her alive in a vegetative state for nearly eight years.

The state's highest court issued a two-sentence order Thursday morning denying a petition filed Wednesday by Yvette Williams of Kansas City that asked the court to order the feeding tube to be reconnected to Cruzan, whose condition has been deteriorating since the tube was removed last weekend.

The ruling was the latest setback to advocates opposed to the decision in the right-to-die case, which earlier this year reached the Supreme Court of the United States.

Williams had asked the Missouri Supreme Court to overturn the decision last Friday by Jasper County Probate Judge Charles Teel Jr. to allow Cruzan's parents to remove the feeding tube. The petition was filed on behalf of Williams by attorney Dewey Crepeau of Columbia, a member of Lawyers for Life, a group opposed to euthanasia.

Cruzan's condition was downgraded Wednesday from stable to deteriorating, said Barbara Shoun, director of public relations for the Missouri Rehabilitation Center. She said no other details of Cruzan's condition would be released.

On Wednesday, hospital officials again had to contend with protesters who want Cruzan to be sustained. The six or seven protesters were taken out and told not to come back. Unlike 19 people in a protest Tuesday, they were not arrested.

Officials with Operation Rescue of Binghamton, N.Y., an anti-abortion group, released a statement Wednesday saying the organization's founder, Randall Terry, and other anti-abortion leaders from around the country would go to Mount Vernon to hold continuous prayer vigils.

Cruzan has been in a vegetative state since a 1983 automobile accident. Her surgically implanted feeding tube, which had supplied her with food and water, was removed during the weekend after a Jasper County judge granted her family's request on Friday. Doctors said she would die within two weeks.

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#90354u0684 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 20) UPI - Saying it was his ''duty as a man, as a citizen and as a Communist,'' Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze resigned today. In a speech to the Congress of Peoples Deputies, Shevardnadze said he feared that the recent upsurge of criticism from the right would lead to the return of a ''dictatorship'' in the country. He said conservative ''reactionary'' forces in the country are being allowed to move against the ideals of perestroika with little resistance. There was no immediate comment from the White House or State Department on the announcement.

Japan's chief Cabinet secretary says a relaxation of international tensions led Cabinet members to slash defense spending growth nearly in half over the next five years. The five-year defense plan will lead to a steep drop in defense spending growth, from an annual five-point-four percent average growth over the past five years, to three percent growth in the 1991-95 period.

Security sources in Lebanon say an Israeli gunship crashed late last night while chasing Palestinian guerrillas who attacked an Israeli position at the Lebanese-Israeli border. The U-S-made helicopter was downed a few miles north of the Lebanese-Israeli frontier. The sources said a number of the helicopter's crew were wounded and transported to hospitals inside Israel.

A group of 201 Vietnamese boat people returned to Vietnam from Hong Kong today under the U-N voluntary repatriation program. The latest return to Hanoi brought to almost 63-hundred the number of Vietnamese who voluntarily have returned home since the program begin in March 1989. Boat people screened out of the refugee program are being told that the only alternative to returning home is to spend the rest of their lives in Hong Kong's crowded camps.

Gunmen ambushed and killed a 46-year-old policeman early today outside his Northern Ireland home. No organization claimed responsibility, but police believe the Irish Republican Army was involved. Officials say the 12th policeman killed this year in Northern Ireland died in a hail of gunfire at his home in Lurgan, 20 miles west of Belfast.

A nationwide survey of American adults shows that nearly 90 percent of them donate time, money or both to charities serving causes ranging from homelessness to the environment. The survey found that the central states from Minnesota and North Dakota south to Texas are the most charitable. States in the West were found to be the least charitable.

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#90354u0685 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

INDIANAPOLIS (DEC. 20) UPI - A minor earthquake rattled the state Thursday for the second time in a week but there were no reports of damage or injuries.

The quake registered 3.4 on the Richter scale and was centered about 30 miles southwest of Indianapolis near Littlepoint.

A quake also shook the state Monday but caused no damage. It registered 3.1 on the scale.

Neither quake occurred along the New Madrid fault system, which a New Mexico consultant, Iben Browning, predicted would be the site of a major quake about Dec. 3.

Kelly Stemnock, earthquake program manager for the State Emergency Management Agency, said the epicenter of the quake was not along any known fault, ''but you have to remember that most faults are about 12 miles underground.''

The shaking was felt very widely, she said, at points as distant as Gosport, Spencer and Indianapolis. She said the temblor was not unusual for this area, nor was the fact that two occurred within a week.

Stemnock said the quake brought more calls to state police than they received in previous years, probably because people this year were worried about ''the big one'' predicted by Browning.

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#90354u0734 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 20) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Thursday.

Butter: (92 score A) 96 1/2-98 1/4; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 90-93; large 86-92; medium 75-81.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Corporate Dividend:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
Central Penn Fincl	Q	.11	1-25	1-14
Lawson Products	Q	.10	1-18	1-4
Wausau Paper Mills	Q	.18 3/4	1-11	1-3
Usual				
Aztec Mfg Co	Q	.02 1/2	1-18	1-4
Braintree Svgs Bk	Q	.09	1-15	12-13
CPB Inc	Q	.16	1-18	12-31
Central Maine Pwr	Q	.39	1-31	1-10
CrownAmerica Inc	Q	.12 1/2	1-18	1-4
Measurex Corp	Q	.11	1-16	1-2
Nrthrn States Pwr	Q	.58	1-20	1-2
Nucor Corp	Q	.12	2-11	12-31
Oil-Dri Corp	Q	.05	3-15	2-22
Oilgear Co	Q	.20	12-31	12-21
Summcorp	Q	.18	2-1	1-15
Tech/Ops Sevcon	Q	.07 1/2	1-17	1-2
West Newton Svgs	Q	.04	1-15	12-31
Wolverine WrldWide	Q	.04	2-1	1-2

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-annual

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#90354u0754 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

BALTIMORE (DEC. 20) UPI - People who drink only one cup of coffee or two cans of cola daily can experience caffeine withdrawal symptoms ranging from headaches to moodiness and nausea, researchers say.

Scientists have long recognized that heavy coffee drinkers are subject to withdrawal syptoms. But a new study has found unpleasant side effects when people with low-caffeine habits suddenly are denied the stimulant.

''Previous studies documented the caffeine withdrawals under substantially higher doses,'' said Dr. Roland Griffiths, a professor of psychiatry and neuroscience at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine who led the study.

''The general consensus of scientific opinion would have been that withdrawal might not have occurred at these low doses,'' he said. ''We were astonished.''

The ''lift'' many people experience when they have their first cup of coffee for the day may not result completely from caffeine's stiumulant effect, he said. In part, the perceived high may be what he calls ''the suppression of low-grade withdrawal symptoms'' - or the absence of feeling bad.

Griffiths pointed out that caffiene itself apparently is not harmful for most people, although it may pose risks for pregnant women and people with underlying heartbeat irregularities and anxiety disorders.

But Griffiths said people should be aware that if they are caffeine- dependent they may be subject to unpleasant side effects when they miss their usual dose.

The symptoms can usually be alleviated by going back on caffeine, he said. People wishing to kick the habit should taper off gradually over several days, he said.

In the new study, seven subjects first were given a 100 milligram capsule of caffeine daily for 100 days. Abruptly, and without their knowledge, they then were given capsules containing an inactive ingredient for 12 days.

Four of seven people suffered withdrawal symptoms that peaked during the first two days of the placebo, then symptoms declined over the next week, the researchers said.

In the second phase of testing, the participants were given daily doses of 100 miligrams over the course of 20 days, except that on five of the days, scattered throughout the period, they were given placebos. All seven experienced some withdrawal symptoms ranging from fatigue to vomiting and severe headaches when they were denied caffiene.

Participants reported a range of other symptoms including irritability, sluggishness, depression, muscle pain, stiffness and flu- like feelings. They also reported a decline in alertness, concentration, energy, happiness and interest in sociability.

Americans consume an average of 211 milligrams of caffeine daily - about half the average daily intake in nations such as Britain and Sweden.

Depending on its strength, a cup of percolated or drip coffee can put between 64 and 155 milligrams of caffeine in the bloodstream.

Less potent sources include tea, cola, chocolate and over-the-counter preparations and stimulants.

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#90354u0769 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 20) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze resigned today to protest conservative attacks against him and to warn against what he said is an impending dictatorship. A spokesman for Soviet President Gorbachev said after Shevardnadze's announcement that the resignation came as a surprise to Gorbachev, and added that Shevardnadze has been asked to stay on in the job. The spokesman said ''In any case, the political life of Shevardnadze will be long.'' He said Shevardnadze ''may occupy any other post.'' Shevardnadze stunned deputies to the Congress of Peoples Deputies with his speech today.

The spokesman for Gorbachev said Shevardnadze indicated he would stay on at the Foreign Ministry to provide a smooth transition and allow the Parliament to accept his resignation. A Shevardnadze aide said the decision to resign was ''final.''

Iran's president said today there is little liklihood that Iraq would withdraw from Kuwait at the last moment. Iran's official news agency quoted President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani as saying in a speech that the possibility of war in the Gulf is high. Iran fought a bitter eight-year war with Iraq from 1980-88 that claimed one Million lives.

The first elected parliament of a united Germany in nearly six decades convened today for its inaugural session at Berlin's historic Reichstag. The 662 deputies from eastern and western Germany were widely expected to re-elect conservative Rita Suessmuth to the prestigious post of parliamentary president. Four vice-presidents from other parties also will be be chosen.

China refused today to acknowledge that it had discussed human rights this week with Washington's top rights envoy. The denial came on the final day of an official visit to Beijing and Shanghai by U-S Assistant Secretary of State Richard Schifter. He distributed a list of 150 prisoners believed held on

political and religious offenses and asked the Chinese to ''engage in a discussion of the names.'' But Chinese officials would NOT acknowledge the list.

Politicians in Corsica today condemned last night's assassination of the president of the regional chamber of agriculture for the French- administered island. NO group immediately claimed responsibility for the slaying. Police said Corsican separatists who recently threatened to step up political violence on the Mediterranean island almost certainly were responsible.

A health activist in Bangkok says at least two Million Thais will be infected with the deadly AIDS virus by the end of the decade. But he said the number could be cut in half by effective prevention efforts. He said that AIDS could devastate the Thai economy, costing as much as eight BILLION dollars in lost income.

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#90354u0784 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 97-99; large 94- 97 and mediums 83-86.

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#90354u0787 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 20) UPI - Eduard Amvrosievich Shevardnadze, whose resignation as Soviet foreign minister Thursday shocked the world, was virtually unknown in international circles when his mentor Mikhail Gorbachev gave him the job just 5 1/2 years ago.

The appointment on July 2, 1985, came less than four months after Gorbachev's own rise to power as successor to the late Konstantin Chernenko, and one day after Shevardnadze's elevation to voting membership on the 13-member Politburo which runs the country.

Since then, Shevardnadze has become one of the world's most recognizable and respected figures as he crafted the international image of Gorbachev's perestroika and helped bring about the end of the Cold War.

Shevardnadze became foreign minister on a note of drama. The day after his appointment, Washington and Moscow officially announced Gorbachev and

President Reagan would meet in November in Geneva, Switzerland. No U.S.-Soviet summit had been held since the June 1979 meting between President Jimmy Carter and Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev.

Shevardnadze made his reputation in the Soviet Union in his native republic of Georgia, one of the unruliest and most corrupt domains in the U.S.S.R.

When Shevardnadze, a general in the Georgian police, took over as first secretary of the Georgian Communist Party in 1972, the republic was awash in scandal - bribery, black marketeering and protectionism from the highest level down.

Shevardnadze set about imposing his ''exemplary social order,'' paying closest attention to the party hierarchy and the police. He dismissed scores for corruption.

Progress was not rapid in a republic best known as the homeland of Josef Stalin.

Wheeling and dealing were the rule in Georgia, its farmers grown rich on the private-plot produce sold on the private market. There were strong nationalist sentiments.

As late as 1980, Shevardnadze found it necessary to reiterate that economic and social development depended on ''an uncompromising struggle against such negative phenomena as money-grubbing, bribe-taking, misappropriation of socialist property, private-property tendencies, theft and other deviations from the norms of Communist morality.''

Party chieftains, satisfied with his performance, in November 1978 made him an alternate member of the Politburo, a non-voting group at the top of the party structure.

The Soviet Union invaded Afghanistan the next year, and Shevardnadze was later to complain that as alternate members of the Politburo he and Gorbachev were helpless and learned of the invasion on the radio. After he became Gorbachev's foreign policy architect in 1985, Shevardnadze spent three years working to get Soviet troops out of Afghanistan and end what is frequently called the Soviet Union's Vietnam.

The negotiated withdrawal from Afghanistan was one of the first concrete signs of the new Soviet foreign policy. Shevardnadze went on to play a role in negotiations to end the Iran-Iraq war, African conflicts in Namibia and Angola and more recently seeking a settlement in Cambodia.

But the world discovered that Soviet foreign policy really had changed with the 1989 revolutions in Eastern Europe. While some advised Gorbachev to use force to stop the revolt against Communist regimes, Shevardnadze advised his

boss to let it happen.

Shevardnadze is also largely credited with the formula that led to the reunification of Germany after the Berlin Wall crumbled.

With the thaw of the Cold War nearly complete, the Soviet Union was ready to cooperate with the West when its onetime ally Iraq invaded Kuwait, supporting U.N. sanctions as a partner with the United States rather than seeking confrontation.

Shevardnadze met with his American counterpart James Baker almost monthly in the last part of 1990. At the beginning of the Persian Gulf crisis the two foreign policy bosses spoke daily about world response.

Gorbachev named Shevardnadze foreign minister to replace the veteran 75-year-old diplomat Andrei Gromyko, who was given the then mostly ceremonial position of Soviet president.

Shevardnadze was born Jan. 25, 1928, in the village of Mamati in Georgia. From his earliest years he took an interest in politics and the Communist Party as a member of Komsomol, the party youth league.

Shevardnadze was the son of a schoolteacher, and the future foreign minister's first job was that of an instructor at the Komsomol.

Until Gorbachev brought him to Moscow, Shevardnadze's entire professional life was spent in Georgia. Rising through the ranks, he was appointed minister for maintenance of public order (later renamed the Ministry of Internal Affairs) in 1965 and served in that capacity until 1972. In 1968, was given the title of general of the third rank of the official police.

Shevardnadze traveled widely - to Austria, Brazil, Bulgaria, Hungary, Portugal Tunisia, Cuba, Nicaragua, and other countries.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) UPI - A congressman's car used to haul fertilizer a few weeks ago triggered a bomb scare at the White House Thursday, Rep. Herbert Bateman, R-Va., said.

The alert, which closed the West Wing driveway to traffic for about 50 minutes was caused by a bomb-sniffing German shepherd who raised an alarm about Bateman's grey Lincoln while it was parked inside the White House complex.

Bateman, with seven other congressmen, was there to brief President Bush on the group's recent trip to the Persian Gulf.

''It was fertilizer from some azaleas hauled in the back seat a few weeks ago '' explained Bateman as he left the White House. ''Great fun.''

But the alert prompted a full shutdown of traffic in and out of the driveway while a single security official, dressed in a green helmet and bulletproof vest, carefully combed the car for anything suspicious.

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#90354u0811 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

OMAHA (DEC. 20) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 50; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 1,200; barrows and gilts fully 1.00 higher. U.S. 1-3 215-250 lbs. 49.50-50.00; U.S. 2-3 250-270 lbs. 49.00-49.75, few 50.00, 270-280 lbs. few 47.50-49.00. Sows steady. U.S. 1-3 350- 500 lbs. 39.00-39.25, few 450-500 lbs. 39.50-40. 00; U.S. 2-3 500-650 lbs. 43.50-44.00. Boars 200- 700 lbs. 35.50.

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#90354u0817 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

NORTHFIELD, Minn. (DEC. 20) UPI - Former Minnesota Gov. Karl Rolvaag died in his sleep during the night, a family member said Thursday. He was 78.

Rolvaag, a former ambassador to Iceland, died of congestive heart failure. He had been in and out of the Veterans Administration hospital in recent months.

Funeral arrangements were pending.

Rolvaag, who devoted much of his life to Democratic Farmer Labor politics, waited more than three months to find out that he was elected governor when he ran against Gov. Elmer L. Anderson in 1962. It turned out that he won by 91 votes but the delay meant he took office in March rather than in January.

Rolvaag, a top vote-getter in Minnesota for many years, was finally defeated by his own DFL party when it denied him the endorsement for governor in 1966. He reversed the action of the long and bitter DFL convention by going to the voters with a cry of ''Let the People Decide. ''

Rolvaag won the primary easily but the party was badly split and he was defeated by Republican Harold LeVander for governor.

He was the son of Ole Rolvaag, who wrote ''Giants in the Earth,'' a compelling novel of an immigrant family's struggle to survive on the prairie.

Rolvaag grew up in Northfield where his father was a professor at St. Olaf College. The son attended St. Olaf's and did graduate work at the University

of Minnesota and the University of Oslo in Norway.

He spent six years in the Army in World War II, fighting with the tank corps in Europe. He was wounded and came home with honors, including the Croix de Guerre, the Silver Star and the Purple Heart.

He twice ran unsuccessfully for Congress and later served as DFL party chairman.

President Lyndon Johnson appointed him ambassador to Iceland after his defeat as governor but he returned to Minnesota when Richard Nixon became president in 1969.

Rumors of a ''drinking problem'' persisted while Rolvaag was governor and he underwent treatment for alcoholism. He resigned from the Railroad and Warehouse Commission in November 1977, to devote fulltime to his battle with alcoholism.

''I realize I am an acute and chronic alcoholic,'' he told his last news conference as a public official. ''I seek the serenity and peace of sobriety.''

Rolvaag then moved to a cabin near Bowstring, Minn. A daughter and her husband operated a lake resort nearby.

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#90354u0831 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

SAN DIMAS, CALIF. (DEC. 20) UPI - Parking in a spot reserved for handicapped drivers was the downfall of two drug-dealing suspects.

Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies spotted the men's car Wednesday night in a parking slot restricted to handicapped drivers and began questioning them, Deputy George Ducoulombier said.

The deputies found Jose Siu, 24, and Manuel Enriquez, 26, in the car, along with half a pound of marijuana, Ducoulombier said. They asked for the men's permission to search their room at the Comfort Suite Hotel and there they found Sherri Roybal, 26, with $73,000 in cash, 2 more pounds of marijuana, 5 pounds of methamphetamine and a loaded revolver.

The three suspects, identified as Mexican nationals, were arrested and the cash and narcotics seized.

The three were charged with possession of drugs for sale and were booked in lieu of $75,000 bond, Ducoulombier said.

The deputies did not issue the suspects a parking ticket - a $103 fine - but Ducoulombier said the two would be charged with parking in a handicapped zone

when the case goes to court.

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#90354u0832 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

MECHANICVILLE, N.Y. (DEC. 20) UPI - Mayor Patrick Hildreth plans to use an old technique to get deadbeats to pay their bills - public embarrassment.

Hildreth plans to release to the media in mid-January a list of residents who haven't paid their water or sewer bills.

''Embarrassment is the biggest factor,'' Hildreth said. ''I'll do whatever I can to keep this town out of debt.''

Hildreth expects to raise about $30,000 in unpaid bills with his plan.

Town Attorney Val Serbalik has told Hildreth he is opening himself up to potential lawsuits by publishing the dishonor roll.

''I sort of make him nervous,'' Hildreth said.

But the threat of lawsuits does not worry the mayor, who earns about $600 a month for a 20-hour work week. ''I don't have much more than my son's three student loans.''

The Civil Liberties Union threatened to sue Hildreth once before, when he imposed a curfew on the town of 5,300 people, located about 10 miles north of Albany.

But Hildreth, finishing his first year as mayor, calls his policies ''common-sense government.''

With state and federal budget problems hitting hard at small towns, Hildreth said humiliating people into paying is a necessity.

''What people have to remember is this is their town, this is their money,'' he said.

When word of the list gets around, Hildreth said he expects to see people running off to pay their bills.

''I might not be the best-liked guy in town,'' the mayor said. ''But I'm just trying to run a business.''

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#90354u0835 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

COLUMBUS, Ohio (DEC. 20) UPI - When you're Ohio State's Robert Smith, there's

always another set of goals waiting.

Last spring, he was touted by many as the nation's best high school running back, a heavy load to carry. But for Smith, it was no problem.

Smith won the Buckeyes' starting tailback job by the second game, and Thursday was named United Press International's Freshman of the Year.

The product of Euclid, Ohio, finished the 11-game regular season with 1,064 yards, averaging 6.5 yards a carry, and seven touchdowns. Ohio State, 7-3-1, plays Air Force in the Liberty Bowl Dec. 27.

''I feel good about that only because I think I helped us win a couple of games,'' Smith said. ''It honestly wouldn't have mattered to me if I had come in here this year and helped the defense by running on the scout team.

''I think a lot of people have trouble believing something like that, but that's honestly the way I feel about it.''

Smith, 6-foot-2 and 195 pounds, said he did not expect to start this year.

''I just got in there the first game and things went right,'' he said. ''I was given the opportunity. I think any of the other backs could have done the same thing ... It's just that I got out there, got the hot hand and pretty much didn't do anything to take myself out.''

Smith wants to enter Ohio State's medical school following his junior year. He says his biggest disappointment was his first-quarter grades. He wanted a 3.5 grade-point average and earned a 3.45.

''That's the thing that bothers me most of all,'' he said. ''I think that's the expectation I want to live up to more than anything else.''

With Butler By'note'e and redshirt freshman Raymont Harris also returning next year at tailback, along with Carlos Snow, a two-year regular who sat out 1990 following hip surgery, there might be a position switch in the works for the speedy Smith.

''That idea has been brought up, not specifically for me, but the creation of a new position,'' Smith said. ''I'd go for that in a second. I'm not a coach or anything, but I really think I could do something like that.''

Smith said he found the biggest difference between high school and major-college football to be the pace of the game.

''Things happen a lot faster out there,'' he said. ''I don't think the hits were too much harder, although you get them more often.

''At this level, you have to be a student of the game. That's what I enjoyed about it most of all. You can't just go out there and go through the motions. You have to know what you're doing. It kept me busy and I like that.''

Smith, a former state high school 100-meter champion who hopes to run track at Ohio State this spring, has other goals besides medical school - the 1992 Olympics.

''I really would like to give the decathlon a shot,'' he said. ''I think the only thing I'd have trouble with is the pole vault. I've never tried the pole vault, but I've talked to people who have gone 11 1/2 feet the first time they tried.

''In the decathlon, it's not like you need to jump 18 feet to be competitive. I can make up for it in the sprint events, or any of the other running events for that matter.

''It's definitely something I'd like to try. I think I have a legitimate shot to go (to Barcelona). If that came up, everything else would have to go on hold for a while as far as athletics go.''

Including football?

''I was trying to say that without really saying it,'' Smith said.

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#90354u0845 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

HOUSTON (DEC. 20) UPI - The Dallas Times Herald asked an appeals court Wednesday to order a new trial of its $33 million damage suit against The Dallas Morning News.

The Herald's appeal states that state District Judge David West, who presided over a jury trial earlier this year, made six improper rulings that caused the jury to decide wrongly in favor of The Morning News and its parent company, A.H. Belo Corp.

The Times Herald had accused the News of unlawful and anti-competitive business practices for buying up the exclusive publication rights to 26 of the Times Herald's most popular features, including Doonesbury, Dear Abby, The Far Side, and Erma Bombeck.

During the six-week trial, attorneys for the Times Herald argued that The News had deliberately gutted the Times Herald's comics, features, and editorial pages in an attempt to drive away readers and advertising, and ultimately force its smaller competitor out of business.

"The evidence established that The Morning News and Belo had attempted for

years to make Dallas a one-newspaper town and ... tried to buy the Times Herald outright in 1988," the appeal stated.

Belo and The News argued during the trial that the wholesale transfer of the features was merely the logical consequence of a joint venture Belo had agreed to form with Universal Press Syndicate, of Kansas City, Mo.

Universal held the marketing rights to many of the comic-strip characters the Universal-Belo joint venture planned to use in television commercials and feature-length films, and Belo attorneys argued it made no sense to promote features appearing in a competing paper.

"The principal legal issue presented by this appeal is whether a defendant who acts with both an anti-competitive purpose and a legitimate business purpose can ever violate the antitrust laws," the appeal stated.

"In effect, the trial court judge told the jury that any conceivable business purpose ... automatically insulated the defendants' conduct from all liability."

After the jury announced it was deadlocked on the issue of an attempt to achieve monopoly power, the judge sent jurors a supplemental instruction saying, "if the only purpose of conduct is to cripple or eliminate competition " it would be anti-competitive. But "if conduct has a legitimate business purpose," it was not improper.

"The trial court's definition ... in the present case renders the Texas Free Enterprise and Antitrust Act meaningless," the Herald's attorneys argued in the appeal.

Belo and The News should respond to the appeal within 25 days, and oral arguments could be held as early as June, with no final decision likely before next December.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) UPI - Secretary of State James Baker said Thursday that Eduard Shevardnadze - ''a man I'm proud to call a friend'' - made significant achievements as foreign minister, but his resignation should not alter Soviet foreign policy.

Baker, who had established a warm, first-name relationship with Shevardnadze in their 23 months of frequent meetings, added that the minister's unexpected resignation and his public warning about the Soviet Union drifting toward a dictatorship ''have to be taken seriously.''

Baker told reporters, ''I've known Eduard Shevardnadze to be a man of his word

a man of courage, conviction and principle. I'm convinced that he is committed to peaceful reforms, political and economic, in the Soviet Union and I'm also convinced that the dramatic moves toward democratization and freedom in Central and Eastern Europe and the new thinking in Soviet foreign policy would never have happened without his and President (Mikhail) Gorbachev's courageous leadership.''

But Baker also said he believes Gorbachev when he says that Soviet foreign policy will remain unchanged.

Baker said he expected Shevardnadze to remain on the job at least until the announced mid-February summit in Moscow, where the two countries are expected to sign a strategic arms reduction treaty. Baker and Shevardnadze were the two principal negotiators in the final stages of those complex talks.

He also said that he does not think that the resignation will change the ''solid, firm'' coalition of nations aligned against Iraq in the crisis in the gulf.

U.S. relations with the Soviet Union, Baker said, will continue to be based on the concept of mutual advantage that he and the Soviet foreign minister used as a guideline in their frequent contacts.

He praised Shevardnadze as a man who ''has always worked as a professional who served his country's interests. He was in the forefront of the new thinking in foreign policy and democratization at home and I think that he has earned the respect of leaders all around the world. We are pleased that President Gorbachev has said that there will be no change in Soviet foreign policy.''

Baker said President Bush has often stated that ''our new relationship with the Soviet Union depends on its continuing commitment to democratization and to reform.''

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#90354u0864 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEWARK, N.J. (DEC. 20) UPI - Prudential Insurance Co. of North America said Thursday its Prudential Bache brokerage subsidiary, currently undergoing a restructuring, will record a $250 million loss for 1990 compared to a loss of $51 million a year earlier.

Prudential-Bache's 1990 loss is attributable to four business lines that have been either dropped or substantially cut back over the past year as part of a restructuring to reduce exposure to unprofitable businesses, the company said.

Investment banking and limited partnership activities have been significantly reduced, and risk arbitrage and Canadian operations have been exited, resulting in an undisclosed number of layoffs, a spokesman said.

Prudential-Bache now plans to concentrate on retail brokerage and mutual fund acitivities.

To reduce earnings volatility further, the merchant banking assets of Prudential-Bache have been acquired by parent The Prudential, the company said.

Prudential-Bache also has transferred its interest rate and currency swap portfolios to its parent company.

Despite the loss at Prudential-Bache, Prudential projected an increase of more than $600 million in statutory surplus - essentially the company's net worth - for 1990 and said it expects to maintain total capital at about $7.9 billion.

Prudential, the nation's largest insurer, said it has set aside a provision of more than $2 billion in policyowner dividends.

Winters said Prudential's individual insurance business had a particularly good year in 1990 with record sales. The company also anticipates strong performances in its group insurance and asset management businesses.

Prudential is the largest insurance company in North America and one of the largest financial institutions in the world, with more than $160 billion in consolidated assets.

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WARSAW, POLAND (DEC. 20) UPI - President-elect Lech Walesa, facing a growing governmental crisis, proposed Thursday retaining the outgoing one until parliamentary elections next spring or even postponing elections for a year while a caretaker coalition governs.

Walesa's statement, telephoned to Western news agencies from his office in the northern seaport of Gdansk, was an indication his troubles are mounting following the resignation of his former adviser Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, last week.

''Lech Walesa is respecting the will of the electorate which wants quick formation of a new government, but Walesa wants to act in a cautious way,'' said the statement, signed by Walesa's spokesman Andrzej Drzycimski.

Walesa won the presidency in the runoff Dec. 9 against Stanislaw Tyminski, a Canadian businessman of Polish descent who outpolled Mazowiecki in the first round Nov. 25. Mazowiecki subsequently resigned, saying he lacked popular support.

Ironically, part of his criticism of the Mazowiecki government centered on

charges it was dragging its feet on political reforms - in particular, by not holding early elections to replace a Parliament installed as the result of a round-table agreement with the previously ruling Communist Party.

Walesa's first proposed alternative envisages appointment of a temporary prime minister who would act for about one year.

Parliamentary elections are expected in the next three months but Walesa noted ''Nobody responsible would take a job for three months.'' In such a case, he said, ''It would be necessary to postpone the elections for one year.''

As the second alternative, he suggested keeping the old government in office which ''following certain changes would stay until spring elections.''

Drzycimski confirmed that this alternative might also concern Mazowiecki - if the public accepted him.

''If there is social approval, then Mazowiecki can also be taken into account '' he said.

The spokesman said the people could express their opinion on what they think about Mazowiecki now through the political parties, social organizations or trade unions.

''It must be done quickly,'' he said.

Walesa urged Mazowiecki and the political parties with whom he held consulations to consider his proposal over Christmas.

He also vowed to continue holding consultations in order to be ready to take a final decision after Christmas.

A swearing-in ceremony for Walesa is planned Saturday. The outgoing Communist president, Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, said he would not attend the ceremony.

He did not give any explanation, but Walesa has already announced he would take over the presidential insignia not from Jaruzelski, but from London-based Polish President-in-Exile Ryszard Kaczorowski.

Grazyna Jaskula, an assistant to government spokeswoman Malgorzata Niezabitowska, said the proposal to have the old government stay on was already rejected by Mazowiecki before Walesa came up with his new suggestion.

''The continuation of the economic reforms need sacrifices and full approval by the people,'' she said. ''The election results showed there there was not such an approval of Mazowiecki's reforms and the prime minister does not want to take the responsibility for them now.''

However, Niezabitowska herself held out the possibility that at least some current governmental ministers might be persuaded to stay on.

''If a new prime minister was approved by Parliament, then the old Cabinet could fulfil its functions,'' Niezabitowska said.

As the result of the economic austerity measures in the last 14 months, the standard of living dropped by almost 40 percent.

Walesa has suffered at least two setbacks in his attempt to form a new Cabinet.

Jan Olszewski, an outstanding lawyer, quit trying to form a new government Tuesday after two weeks of consultations.

Olszewski said he had given up his mission as the result of ''significant differences'' which emerged between him and Walesa.

Sources close to Walesa said the president-elect wanted Leszek Balcerowicz, the finance minister who designed the austerity measures, to get special powers to be able to decide about economic problems on his own. Olszewski did not accept the proposal.

Jan Krzysztof Bielecki, a 39-year-old economist, also attempted to select candidates for a new Cabinet but he is believed to have ended his attempt also.

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#90354u0890 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

HACKENSACK, N.J. (DEC. 20) UPI - A suspended police officer pleaded innocent Thursday to reckless manslaughter in the shooting of a black teenager that set off a night of looting in nearby Teaneck last summer.

Gary Spath was allowed to remain free on a $50,000 personal recognizance bond.

Spath, accompanied by his wife and lawyer, stood quietly through the brief arraignment before Superior Court Judge John DiGisi. He was suspended from the Teaneck Police Department after he shot Phillip Pannell, 16, in the back.

Supporters of the Pannell family, including the Rev. Al Sharpton, packed the small courtroom. Pannell's father, also named Phillip, told reporters after the hearing that Spath should have been jailed.

''My son's back was blown apart,'' he said. ''There is no justice in New Jersey for a black man.''

Spath and his partner, Wayne Blanco, came across Pannell the night of April 10 while responding to complaint that someone matching the youth's description was brandishing a gun.

Blanco said he felt a weapon when he frisked Pannell before the shooting, but other witnesses said he was running away with his hands in the air and was shot in the back.

The shooting set off a night of looting a few nights later when a memorial service turned violent. Teaneck, a quiet suburb in affluent Bergen County, had prided itself on setting an example of racial harmony and peaceful integration.

Spath was charged last month by a state grand jury after an earlier grand jury investigation found no cause for indictment. Attorney General Robert Del Tufo ordered the second investigation.

Black activists, including Sharpton and Jesse Jackson, descended on the town, calling for Spath to be charged and convicted of murder.

Police responded by selling T-shirts with Spath's badge number and the slogan, ''Never a doubt.''

The arraignment was held under tight security with all spectators being screened for weapons. Bergen County officials assigned the hearing to a small room to prevent demonstrations.

Spath's lawyer, Robert Gallantucci, told the court there is no risk his client will flee.

''Literally thousands of letters have been forwarded to the court on Officer Spath's behalf,'' the lawyer said. ''He is anxious to prove his innocence in a jury trial.''

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CHICAGO (DEC. 20) UPI - The Chicago White Sox Thursday announced they have signed free-agent knuckleballer Charlie Hough to a one-year contract.

Hough, who will turn 43 Jan. 5, is the second-oldest pitcher in the major leagues after Nolan Ryan.

Hough posted a 12-12 record last season for the Texas Rangers with a 4.07 ERA. He started 32 games and pitched 218 1/3 innings.

In a major-league career that started in 1970, he has pitched 3,106 2/3 innings and posted a 186-169 record with a 3.63 ERA. He holds Rangers' records for wins (139), games (344), starts (313), complete games (98), innings pitched (2,307 2/3) and strikeouts (1,452).

With the Los Angeles Dodgers, he appeared in the World Series in 1974, 1977

and 1978.

Hough is likely to pass a major milestone next year as a White Sox. He is only 12 strikeouts short of 2,000 for his career.

Sox Manager Jeff Torborg caught Hough's first major-league appearance back in August of 1970.

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#90354u0909 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (DEC. 20) UPI - The Florida Supreme Court upheld Thursday the reimposition of the death penalty upon a convicted killer whose first round of appeals resulted in an important legal precedent in death cases.

James Ernest Hitchcock was convicted of first-degree murder for the 1976 rape and murder of his 13-year-old niece in Orange County. He was sentenced to death in 1977, but the U.S. Supreme Court reversed that sentence, saying the judge prevented the jury from considering all possible mitigating factors.

Numerous death sentences have been overturned for so-called Hitchcock errors since then.

But that didn't stop Circuit Judge Gary Formet from reimposing the death penalty when Hitchcock's case went back to the lower court for a new sentencing hearing.

On Thursday, the state high court upheld that sentence by a vote of 4-to-3.

This time the issue was proportionality, or whether people convicted of similar crimes also were sentenced to death.

Justices Gerald Kogan and Rosemary Barkett ruled that death would be disproportionate in Hitchcock's case. They said they would have commuted his sentence to life in prison.

Justice Leander Shaw filed a separate dissent but did not explain his reasoning.

But the court majority, in an unsigned opinion, said the death sentence was fair.

''On the circumstances of this case, and in comparison with other cases, we find Hitchcock's sentence of death proportionate to his crime, '' the majority decision said.

According to court records, Hitchcock strangled Cynthia Ann Driggers, his brother's stepdaughter, after sexually assaulting her in her bedroom. She had

begun screaming and threatening to report him.

Florida law requires a balancing by juries of circumstances that cry out for death and those that suggest leniency in particular cases. During Hitchcock's first trial in 1977, his judge told the jury it could only consider mitigating factors spelled out in the statute books.

But the nation's high court overturned the sentence on appeal, saying juries should be allowed to consider any possible mitigating evidence in death cases, whether or not they are spelled out by statute.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Autoinfo Inc (2nd Q 11-30)	
$2,376,376	$2,045,821
$579,721 (.08)	$398,904 (.06)
ConAgra Inc (2nd Q 11-25)	
$5,328,323,000	$3,857,140,000
$88,251,000 (.60)	a-$63,945,000 (.52)

a-Includes a $26.9 million aftertax gain from settlement of litigation and a $24.8 million aftertax charge for realigning processed met operations.

Dean Foods Co (2nd Q 11-25)	
$554,753,000	$487,528,000
$16,810,000 (.62)	$14,157,000 (.53)
Dresser Industries Inc (4th Q 10-31)	
$1,372,600,000	$1,087,700,000
$73,900,000 (.55)	$67,900,000 (.50)
Hawkins Chemical Inc (4th Q 11-30)	
$14,359,861	$11,841,860
$804,459 (.10)	$732,114 (.10)
Morgan's Foods Inc (3rd Q 11-6)	
$11,100,000	$10,252,000
$192,000 (.02)	$184,000 (.02)
Powell Industries (4th Q 10-31)	
$32,080,000	$31,857,000
$2,249,000 (.22)	$1,440,000 (.14)

Shoney's Inc (4th Q 10-28)
$218,256,000 $202,508,000
$6,744,000 (.17) $1,795,000 (.05)

Transnational Indus (3rd Q 10-31)
$7,049,000 $6,511,000
d-$265,000 d-$281,000
d-Deficit.

Tricare Inc (2nd Q 11-30)
$8,755,000 $5,083,000
$578,000 (.15) $397,000 (.13)

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#90354u0926 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) UPI - The Air Force has grounded its fleet of B-1B strategic bombers following an engine problem similar to one in which an engine dropped out of a bomber in flight, officials said Thursday.

A B-1B on a training flight early Wednesday morning was making practice approaches at Dyess Air Force Base, Texas, when the crew heard a loud bang, Pentagon spokesman Bob Hall told reporters. Ground safety personnel reported there was a fire in the right inboard engine. The plane made an emergency landing.

Officials suspect that a problem with the first stage compressor fan blades was responsible, the same cause believed behind an incident Oct. 11 in which the crew of a plane from McConnell Air Force Base, Kansas, heard a similar bang and, after landing, found that the covering of the left outboard engine was gone - and so was the engine itself.

Although the plane has been grounded from making routine training flights until the problem is resolved, it is still on alert in case of war. The manufacturer of the engine, General Electric, is working with the Air Force to pin down the cause and devise a fix, officials said.

"We believe something was wrong with the fan blades," said Capt. Don Planalp, a spokesman for the Strategic Air Command in Omaha, Neb. "They're up at the front of the engine spinning at high speed and if they fail, they enter the engine and it causes catestrophic failure. That's what we think the sequence of events was."

The crew, he said, used internal fire control systems to battle the ensuing fire Wednesday morning but ground crews at Dyess also helped fight the blaze.

The engine involved is the F-101-GE-102, which puts out 30,000 pounds of

thrust. The B-1B, which has had problems with its package of electronic defenses, has four jet engines.

The plane was scrapped by the Carter administration, which wanted to concentrate on the B-2 stealth bomber. It was revived by the Reagan administration as an interim bomber to penetrate Soviet airspace until the B-2 was ready for use.

The B-2 program is now in serious trouble over its cost, with planes now forecast at over $800 million each. The B-1B costs about $280 million each. Of the 100 planes originally built, 97 are still flying. Three crashed.

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AGANA, Guam (DEC. 20) UPI - Typhoon Ross bore down on Guam Thursday, whipping the Pacific island territory with 75-mph wind gusts and chasing away aircraft and ships.

The eye of the 500-mile-wide storm, packing sustained winds of 145 mph, was expected to pass over the island at about midday Friday before swinging to the northwest toward the Ryukyu Islands.

Southernmost and largest of the Mariana Islands with 209 square miles, Guam lies 1,500 miles southeast of the Philippines and 3,000 west of Hawaii.

On Thursday, the typhoon's lead winds gusted to 75 mph on Guam, a U. S. territory that serves as an important refueling stop for trans- Pacific air traffic.

All commercial aircraft have been evauated and all incoming flights were canceled until Saturday.

In addition, most U.S. military planes have flown to other bases in the Pacific and most ships have gone to sea to ride out the storm, officials said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) UPI - An Italian national currently serving a 40-year prison term in Florida for terrorist activities cannot be returned to Italy, the Justice Department said Thursday.

In a letter to Italian Assistant Minister of Justice Piero Calla, Assistant Attorney General Robert Mueller said there was concern that Silvia Baraldini, 43, would serve a shorter prison term in Italy and then be freed to commit further crimes.

Baraldini is seeking to return to her native country, and the Italian government had requested a formal review of the case.

Mueller noted that Baraldini has not shown remorse for her crimes, refused to testify before a grand jury and has remained in touch with members of terrorist groups.

''After an exhaustive examination of all the relevant factors, we have determined that we cannot at this time approve the transfer of Ms. Baraldini to Italy,'' Mueller wrote.

Baraldini was a member of the terrorist group known as the ''Family,'' which staged a number of bold armored car and bank robberies beginning in the mid-1970s.

Authorities say the group used the money from the robberies to pay for a series of ''safe houses'' along the East Coast to store weapons, hide fugitives and plot further terrorist activities.

Prosecutors say she also was national secretary of the ''May 19th Organization '' which is blamed for several robberies and terrorist bombings.

A federal jury in New York convicted Baraldini in 1983 on conspiracy and racketeering charges. She was sentenced to 40 years in prison with a recommendation from the judge that she ''not be considered for parole until the maximum period.''

Baraldini is currently serving the sentence at the Federal Correctional Institute at Marianna, Fla.

The Justice Department conducted a review of Baraldini's case at the request of the Italian government. In turning down the request, Mueller said, ''Were Ms. Baraldini to show remorse for her past crimes, cooperate with the government of the United States in its current investigations and demonstrate in some convincing way that she has abandoned her criminal lifestyle, we might reconsider this decision.''

Mueller said the Justice Department also would reconsider ''if we could be assured that Ms. Baraldini would serve a sentence in Italy equivalent to that imposed by the judges here.''

Mueller also responded to concerns expressed by the Italian government over the conditions at the Florida prison where Baraldini is being held. Detailing the various aspects of her confinement, he wrote, ''She has access to all of the various educational and recreational programs listed above. Ms. Baraldini's health is monitored closely by qualified staff.''

The department said will consider a new application for transfer from

Baraldini in one year.

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PARIS (DEC. 20) UPI - The Persian Gulf crisis and accompanying oil price increases have slowed the world economy, but their effects can be absorbed by the end of next year if governments fight inflation and reduce budget deficits the Organization for Economic Cooperation said Thursday.

However, the Paris-based agency warned in its bi-annual report that economic activity in the United States is certain to slow further and said the country will not be able to avoid a recession. The report predicted zero growth for the second half of the current year and a negative figure in the first part of 1991.

''A recession is more than possible,'' David Henderson, chief of economic and statistical studies for the 24-member agency, told reporters Thursday.

The report released Thursday blamed weakness of the dollar for current inflationary pressures in the United States and said interest rates had risen in many countries. It also warned that many U.S. financial markets remained fragile and said serious questions had arisen about the balance sheets of some Japanese banks.

''These developments, together with the effects of higher oil prices, have led to a less favorable view of the short-term economic outlook than before the summer: inflation is likely to be higher and output weaker,'' the report said.

Overall, however, the OECD was upbeat about the state of the world economy, concluding that though growth in the OECD area was slowing, the effects of oil-price shocks on member countries was much smaller than during the two previous oil crises of 1973 and 1979.

It predicted the impact of the gulf crisis and the slowdown of the U. S. economy would be absorbed by the economies of the world's most industrialized countries by the end of next year.

Based on a price of $27 a barrel, the study said growth in the OECD area should be 2 percent next year and 2.5 percent in 1992, compared with 2.8 percent growth this year.

But if the effects of the crisis are to be contained, the report said, OECD governments must align their monetary policies to fight inflation, continue to reduce budget deficits, and pursue more liberal trade policies.

''To the extent that these assumptionss are met, difficulties associated with the oil-price increase should prove to be only temporary,'' the report added.

It predicted inflation in the OECD area would rise to an annual rate of 6 percent but would drop to 4 percent or 4.5 percent by the second half of 1992. Unemployment should increase from 6.25 percent in the first half of 1990 to nearly 7 percent in 1992.

''While OECD activity remained strong on average during 1990, differences have become accentuated between the buoyancy of activity in some countries, notably Japan and western Germany, and its weakness in a number of others, including the United States,'' the report said.

It said growth in the United States will drop to 0.9 percent next year compared to 1 percent in 1990, but predicted it would rise to 1.9 percent in 1992.

''One commonly thinks that the rest of the world catches pneumonia when the United States sneezes, but that is not what we are going to see,'' David Potter, who is in charge of U.S. studies for the OECD, told reporters.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze stunned delegates to the Congress of People's Deputies in Moscow today by handing in his resignation. And he said the decision is ''final.'' Shervardnadze is considered the architect of the wide-ranging Soviet foreign policy that led to freedom for the nations of Eastern Europe. He said his resignation comes because of attacks by ''reactionary'' forces on the perestroika policies of Mikhail Gorbachev.

The U-N's January 15th deadline in the Persian Gulf crisis is rapidly approaching with some controversy over whether U-S troops will be ready. The second-in-command of U-S troops in Saudi Arabia says reinforcements ordered by President Bush on November 8th may NOT be ready to fight by the middle of February, almost one month after the deadline passes. Lieutenant General Calvin Waller made the comments yesterday. January 15th is the deadline set for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait or face the possibility that military action will be taken.

Chilean Defense Minister Patricio Rojas says a reported military alert was an exercise. Rojas also sought to deflect reports of conflict between the civilian government of Chile and army commander General Augusto Pinochet. He attributed the reports to what he termed a ''misunderstanding'' over a financial scandal involving senior officers.

Opposition groups in Panama are calling for people to take to the streets today... the first anniversary of the U-S invasion that overthrew Manuel Noriega. A coalition of opposition groups is calling for the demonstration to

back a call for the withdrawal of all American troops from Panama. The groups also want people to march in Panama City to honor the memory of more than 500 Panamanians killed in the invasion.

For the second time this week, a mild earthquake is reported in Indiana. Geologists at Indiana University say the tremor was recorded at between three and four on the open-ended Richter Scale, but the center has NOT yet been pinpointed. There are NO reports of damage or injuries in the quake, which apparently was felt over a wide area from southern Indiana north to Indianapolis.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 20) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	80.60	80.85	80.20	80.35	80.50
Feb	76.53	77.05	76.35	76.60	76.53
Apr	76.50	76.88	76.30	76.53	76.60
Jun	74.30	74.60	74.10	74.35	74.45
Aug	72.78	73.00	72.60	72.82	72.85
Oct	72.80	73.00	72.65	72.88	72.90
Dec	73.65	73.90	73.50	73.82	73.75

Est. sales 14,235 contracts; Wednesday 12,234; open interest: 67,434 off 909.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	88.55	88.95	88.45	88.65	88.75
Mar	86.13	86.50	86.00	86.22	86.28
Apr	84.70	85.00	84.55	84.65	84.75
May	83.45	83.75	83.40	83.45	83.55
Aug	83.20	83.40	83.00	83.05	83.15
Sep	82.75	83.00	82.68	82.68	82.75
Oct	82.53	82.65	82.53	82.53	82.55
Nov	82.40	82.60	82.40	82.50	82.50

Est. sales 1,149 contracts; Wednesday 1,384; open interest: 11,931 up 228.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Dec	....	....	....	....	50.50
Feb	49.30	49.45	49.10	49.25	49.60
Apr	47.40	47.65	47.15	47.38	47.58
Jun	50.75	50.90	50.55	50.70	50.95
Jul	50.65	50.88	50.50	50.80	50.70
Aug	49.40	49.53	49.20	49.38	49.53
Oct	....	....	....	44.20	44.20
Dec	....	....	....	45.00	45.05

Est. sales 4,380 contracts; Wednesday 5,646; open interest: 24,220 up 392.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb 64.00 64.55 63.50 64.07 64.10
Mar 63.75 64.20 63.30 63.85 63.63
May 63.95 64.75 63.80 64.30 63.95
Jul 64.00 64.85 63.80 64.38 63.78
Aug 62.90 62.90 62.10 62.35 61.78 Est. sales 4,130 contracts; Wednesday 4,807; open interest: 12,623 up 18.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 129.75 down 8 cents, 700-850 lbs. 128.88 down 9 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.07 down 34 cents, 700-850 lbs. 118.53 down 21 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow to moderate; demand light; fresh pork loins lower; Boston butts not tested; skinned hams steady; seedless bellies firm to higher; pork loins 14- 18 lbs. 93.00-97.00, 18-22 lbs. 96.00-97.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 65.00-67.00, 20-26 lbs. 60.00-65.00; bellies 12-14 lbs. 54.50-58.00, 14-16 lbs. 54.50- 58.00, 18-20 lbs. 47.50, 20-25 lbs. 44.00.

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SOFIA, Bulgaria (DEC. 20) UPI - For the first time since World War II, Bulgaria installed a non-communist government Thursday following two weeks of negotiations between Prime Minister Dimiter Popov and the nation's leading political forces.

The Grand National Assembly, or parliament, approved the new Cabinet by secret ballot at 3 a.m. following a marathon session.

It was the third government to come to power this year. The previous ones were headed by Prime Minister Andrei Lukanov of the Socialist Party, the renamed Communists who had retained monopoly rule with their satellite party, the Agrarian Party, for more than 40 years.

Popov's Cabinet was formed following 12 days of tense negotiations with Bulgaria's leading political movements which resulted in an agreement to call it a ''national government of the peaceful transition to democracy.''

It includes eight members of the former Cabinet, six of them Socialist Party members. It also includes members of the opposition Union of Democratic Forces and the Agrarian Party, as well as ministers with no party affiliation.

Significantly, however, it did not include members of the Movement for Rights and Freedom, a group representing Bulgaria's minorities and particularly the

Turks.

They took part in the consultations on the Cabinet until the last moment, but bowed out on grounds that too many members of the old government remained in power.

The new government will serve until the election of a new Parliament expected in late May or early June.

Its prime tasks will be to ensure survive of the nation during the winter season in the face of worsening food and energy shortages as well as to prepare for the elections.

A total of 259 of the 326 deputies present voted for Popov, who is recognized as a caretaker premier and has no party affiliation.

The new finance minister, economist Ivan Kostov of the UDF, slipped by with the narrow margin of 164-162.

Ivan Poushkarov, another UDF member, will be minister of industry, trade and services.

Another hotly contested seat was interior minister, which went to Hristo Danov an eminent lawyer with no party affiliation.

Other new names in the government are Environment Minister Dimiter Vodenicharov, a biology professor with no party affiliation, and Culture Minister Georgi Fotev, a sociologist at the University of Sofia, who was nominated by the UDF.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Baseball Commissioner Fay Vincent continued to make progress Thursday following removal of his spleen.

Vincent, who had been ill several weeks, underwent surgery Tuesday at Greenwich Hospital in Connecticut.

''His condition is good and he's still in the hospital,'' a spokesman for the commissioner's office said. ''We hope he will be out before Christmas.''

Vincent, 52, wasn't feeling well when he accompanied a team of U.S. players for an eight-game tour of Japan, and it was determined he had an upper respiratory infection and pneumonia.

''The infection settled in his spleen, and it was decided the best course of action was to remove it, which they did, and he's doing fine,'' the spokesman

said.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 20) UPI - The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Atlanta spent more than $21,000, most of it for medical bills, on the woman lay minister whose affair with Archbishop Eugene A. Marino led to his resignation, the church said Thursday.

The archdiocese released the results of an independent audit of the church's financial support for Vicki Long. The audit was ordered by Bishop James P. Lyke, acting apostolic administrator of the archdiocese.

Pope John Paul II appointed Lyke to run the archdiocese after Marino, the nation's first black Roman Catholic archbishop, resigned in July, citing physical ailments and a two-year affair with Long.

The audit - which took four months to complete, requiring investigators to spend 1,500 hours poring over 30,000 checks and other financial records - found Atlanta Catholics contributed $21,096 for Long.

The archdiocese paid $14,556 to hospitals and doctors who treated Long, the audit disclosed.

The audit did not elaborate on Long's medical problems and the archdiocese refused comment on the matter.

In addition to her affair with Marino, Long has claimed she was molested by a nun while working at a Catholic hospital in Columbus, Ga. She also filed suit against the Rev. Donal Keohane, a Columbus, Ga., priest, in 1987, alleging that he fathered her daughter, now 4. Blood tests indicated Keohane was not the father.

Another priest, the Rev. Michael Woods, resigned after confessing to an ''intimate'' relationship with Long, who denied the relationship was sexual.

''Disbursements for Miss Long's care were never given directly to her, but made out in checks to the medical professions or institutions involved,'' Lyke said. ''Further, the archdiocese covered only part of her medical expenses. Miss Long either personally or through her insurance, or in some other way, paid the remainder of her health costs. ''

The audit also found that funds from two parishes, St. Pius X in Conyers and St. John the Evangelist in Hapeville, were used to support Long.

The St. John parish spent $5,195 on Long, virtually all on rent, utilities and payments for credit card purchases and loans. Long received $185 in direct

payments from the parish.

The St. Pius parish gave Long $1,075 in direct payments and $270 for medical bills.

Lyke said he hoped the investigation would allow Catholics in the Atlanta area to put the Long scandal behind them and look to the future.

''Dear friends, now that the investigation is complete, I ask that we now direct our attention to the many needs we face as a church and to the countless cries of the poor which we hear,'' he said.

''I want you to know that as the apostolic administrator of the archdiocese of Atlanta, I shall always strive to be a good and faithful steward of the resources I oversee before God in your name,'' he said.

Marino, who was installed as archbishop May 5, 1988, suffered chest pains while in New York in early May. The Rev. Peter Dora, a spokesman for the Atlanta archdiocese, said Marino remains ''in a therapeutic setting at an undisclosed, church-run institution. He's doing very well under the circumstances.''

Lyke and Marino share a similar background and, like the archbishop, Lyke is considered a strong advocate for increased black participation in the Roman Catholic Church.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 20) UPI - Christian leaders combined their Christmas appeal to save the region from a devastating war Thursday with blunt criticism of Israel for making them ''constant targets of attack.''

Leaders of eight Christian communities in the Holy Land said they deplored ''constant attempts to change the demographic character'' of Jerusalem's Old City, erosion in privileges accorded the churches and ''deterioration in the condition of the Palestinian people.''

''The prospects of constructive dialogue and peace in the holy land are receding. Despair is the pervasive mood,'' the church leaders' annual Christmas message said.

''We pray for a quick reconciliation and a just settlement of the (Israeli-Palestinian) conflict.''

Signing the Christmas message were the patriarchs from the Greek Orthodox, Latin and Armenian churches, as well as the Anglican bishop, Greek-Catholic patriarchal vicar, Lutheran bishop, and Syrian archbishop.

The Christian leaders met in Jerusalem to pull together their Christmas message, released several days earlier than expected. A day earlier, an internal Israeli report was leaked to Israel Radio that discussed the ''radicalization'' among Christian religious leaders and their efforts to show loyalty to the Palestinian cause.

The report, which Israeli officials declined to comment on Thursday, studied the influence of the 3-year-old Palestinian uprising on different religious groups. The report said church leaders hide attacks by Islamic fundamentalists against Christians and church property, and were actively involved in anti-Israel propaganda, Israel Radio reported.

''We deplore the fact that the patriarchs and the heads of the Christian churches in the Holy Land are constant targets of attacks by Israeli officials and the Israeli media,'' the church leaders said in their message.

''We consider our sacred duty to voice our concern about human rights' violations in the occupied territories. We maintain fraternal relations with Moslems in the occupied territories, and everywhere, as well as with Jews in Israel,'' the church leaders said.

The last joint message by the Christian leaders came after Israeli police opened fire and killed at least 17 Palestinians Oct. 8 on Jerusalem's Temple Mount, known in Arabic as the Haram esh Sharif. The complex is Islam's holiest site and is revered by Jews as the site of their Temple.

The Christian communities urged world leaders to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis through negotiation without bloodshed, sparing the region ''from ultimate destruction.''

''We pray to the Lord to guide the leaders of the world in the path of peace and justice, and we pray for a year free of the threat of war and violence, extending our blessing to all the faithful.''

On the issue of church relations with the Israeli government, the message cited as examples of attempts to change the demographics of the Old City the St. John's Hospice incident during last Easter week. The issue, which is under debate in Israeli courts, revolved around ownership of the Christian Quarter hospice into which dozens of Jews moved.

Church leaders also said the government was imposing municipal and state taxes for the first time, eroding ''traditional rights and centuries' old privileges'' of the churches.

WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) UPI - Controversy flared Thursday over a congressional report on cat-shooting experiments aimed at improving treatment for head wounds, with scientists calling the report flawed and animal rights activists saying it shows such tests should end.

From 1983 through November 1989, researchers at Louisiana State University in New Orleans used about 700 cats in work aimed at finding better ways of treating soldiers and other people with bullet wounds to the head.

The death rates among soldiers with head wounds from bullets or shrapnel remained essentially unchanged from World War II through Vietnam, with about 10 percent of patients dying from their wounds. About 16,000 Americans die annually from gunshot wounds to the brain.

Dr. Michael Carey, head of the LSU research and a former surgeon in Vietnam, said he is conducting the cat work because so little laboratory work has been done on brain wounds.

''If the biology of brain wounds is not known, how can treatments be designed, how can doctors save more lives?'' Carey told a news conference hosted by LSU and the American Medical Association.

In the experiments, anesthestized cats were wounded in the brain with pellets about one-quarter the size of a BB gun pellet.

The wounded cats were kept alive from two hours to 60 days to allow researchers to study the mechanics of brain injury and to test drugs that may reduce such damage. So far, researchers have found that one drug, called GM-1 ganglioside, appears to reduce some of the brain damage in wounded cats.

Federal funding for the $2 million research project was frozen in November 1989 following claims by animal rights groups that the work was not adding to scientific knowledge on the treatment of brain wounds.

The Defense Appropriations Act of 1991 forbids the Army from releasing any money for the research until the investigation by the General Accounting Office was completed.

However, the GAO's report, released on Friday, made no recommendation whether the cat research should be allowed to continue. Instead, the investigative branch of Congress said it should be up to Defense Secretary Dick Cheney to decide if there are still enough merits to the project to allow it to proceed further.

A medical panel convened by the GAO concluded that the goals of the LSU research are valid.

''The panel strongly believes that progress in improving outcome of brain

injury can be made through studies such as this one. The (cat) model was deemed to be unique and suitable for the investigations undertaken,'' the report said.

Furthermore, the panel said it believes that the anesthesia was adequate to protect the cats from pain when the pellets were shot into their brains.

Carey and his LSU colleagues had no objections to that section of the report. However, they expressed dismay that they were not allowed to testify before the medical panel or show them their laboratory.

The researchers were most upset with the GAO's findings that were based on consultation with veterinary anesthesiologists.

The anesthesiologists said they doubted all the cats were adequately anesthetized, and also said the lack of detailed records suggested there were deficiencies in the animal's post-wounding care.

Questions were also raised about the number of cats used in research that did not result in usable data and the lack of different response to injuries of increasing severity.

The GAO also found that the Army did not adequately monitor the technical performance of the LSU contract.

Army and GAO officials could not be reached for comment Thursday.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 20) UPI - Uncertainty over what may happen in the Soviet Union following the resignation of the Foreign Minister kept the grain market on the defensive Thursday.

Grain and soybean futures were lower at the close on the Chicago Board of Trade in relatively quiet trading.

The surprise resignation of Eduard Shevardnadze weighed on prices. Buying interest was limited amid concern over the fate of the export credit package to the Soviets. There was talk of possible delays in implementing the credit arrangement.

Soybean meal was the weakest commodity in the soy complex. January meal made a contract low of $169 per ton and closed just above that level. Overnight developments in the Soviet Union and the lack of trading in Rotterdam pressured the meal.

Soybean oil prices were virtually unchanged.

Corn had underlying support from the sale of another 385,000 tons to the USSR, but was lower across the board.

Wheat also closed lower in line with the weakness on the rest of the floor.

Country movement was light.

At the close, corn was off 1/2 to 1 1/2, soybeans down 2 1/2 to 5 1/2, wheat unchanged to off 2 1/2 and oats down 1 1/2 to 1 3/4.

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TORONTO (DEC. 20) UPI - The Bank of Canada Thursday cut its key bank rate to 11.78 percent, triggering an 0.5 percentage point drop in prime rates at most of Canada's major banks.

The central bank cut 23 basis points off its rate, which was set at 12.01 percent last week. It was the largest decrease since January and marked a significant step in easing its tight monetary policy.

The Bank of Canada's action was not unexpected, nor was the reaction from the major banks. Prime rates in the country now stand at 12.75 percent, effective Friday.

Until Thursday, most of the major banks, except for the Bank of Montreal, had held their prime rates at 13.50 percent. On Wednesday, the Bank of Montreal shaved 0.25 percentage point off its prime lending rate to 12.75 percent, saying the central bank had signalled the advent of a more rapid easing of rates.

It was the second time within two weeks that the Bank of Montreal cut its prime rate ahead of the central bank and further distanced itself from the other major banks.

Also Wednesday, the Canadian Manufacturers Association and the Toronto Dominion Bank issued reports on the state of the Canadian economy forecasting a more severe recession than previously expected.

The CMA said the recession has cost $25.5 billion in short-term lost sales, will result in the loss of 180,000 jobs - half of them permanent, and that the manufacturing outlook continues to deteriorate.

The TD Bank predicted declining economic growth in the fourth quarter of 1990 and in the first two quarters of 1991 resulting in "the second most severe recession of the post-war period."

Both the CMA and the TD Bank said the economy's recovery was grounded in the lowering of interest rates to a level where consumer spending and business investment would rebound. This is not expected to happen until mid to late 1991, they said.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 20) UPI - Israeli military officials confirmed Thursday a plea bargain agreement with a former air force procurement officer accused of large-scale bribery and fraud.

Brig. Gen. Rami Dotan, who is considered an expert on air force jet engines, is accused of accumulating approximately $10 million in bribes from Israeli and American companies during an eight-year period. The money apparently was deposited into bank accounts outside the country.

Israeli military and police have arrested at least two air force officers and three civilians implicated in what the Israeli press calls the ''Dotan Affair.'' About 100 people have been questioned, Israel Radio reported.

Gen. Amnon Strashnov, the military advocate general, told reporters he signed a plea bargain last week with Dotan, the former Israeli air force equipment branch chief, because it was in the best interest of the public.

''The purpose here, as the chief of staff made clear more than once, is to go to the end and to weed out all the noxious weeds from the garden,'' Strashnov said in explaining the decision.

According to the arrangement, Dotan will admit to receiving bribes, fraud and violating trust to commit a crime, Strashnov indicated. Israel Radio reported Dotan would be indicted in the next few days under the agreement and would not be indicted for treason.

Several senior military officers, including Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Dan Shomron and air force chief Avihu Ben Nun have publicly denounced Dotan as a traitor.

Ezer Weizman, the founding father of the Israeli air force and a war hero, called for Dotan to be tarred and feathered and paraded through the streets.

Respected military analyst Ron Ben Yishai said the ''affair is one of the largest bribery cases in the history of the state'' and warned it could jeopardize American miltary aid to Israel.

Ben Yishai, military commentator writing for the daily Yediot Ahronot, said a bribery affair involving American taxpayer money could strengthen those calling for cuts in military aid to Israel.

Yediot, which in recent days has come out with much information on the investigation, reported Dotan received a regular salary from an American company and placed the funds into a Canadian bank account. The company was not named.

In the United States, General Electric announced Wednesday it had begun an internal investigation concerning purchase orders placed with companies ''said to be involved in the Israeli investigation.''

Dotan played a key role in deciding to acquire jet engines from General Electric, worth hundreds of millions of dollars.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Gold futures closed Thursday 80 to 230 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	385.00	388.50	384.80	385.20	386.00
Jan	385.90	....	....	385.90	386.90
Feb	386.50	391.00	386.00	386.70	388.00
Apr	389.50	395.00	389.20	390.00	391.40
Jun	393.50	397.70	393.50	393.70	395.00
Aug	400.50	400.70	399.50	397.10	398.50
Oct	401.00	401.00	400.50	400.50	402.10
Dec	404.00	....	....	404.00	405.80
Feb	407.70	....	....	407.70	409.70
Apr	411.30	....	....	411.30	413.40
Jun	415.10	....	....	415.10	417.30
Aug	419.00	....	....	419.00	421.30

Open interest: 110,191 off 1,329.

Estimated sales: 40,000 contracts.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - New Yorkers are dining out as usual despite the economic slump, getting more for their money at fine restaurants that are holding prices down and improving service, a leading guide reported Thursday.

Zagat's 1991 New York City Restaurant Survey, which is based on the experiences of 5,500 frequent restaurant visitors, said that though restaurant closings have accelerated in the past year, up to 54 from 38 in 1989, new restaurant openings outnumbered the closings by more than two to one.

The survey noted 125 new restaurants among the 1,000 reviewed in its pages, noting that they are ''arriving with simpler styles and lower prices than those in previous years, with a marked majority serving scaled-down bistro, regional American or pasta fare, often with low ceilings on the price of entrees.''

Zagat diners reported eating out on an average of 3.4 times a week, the same as in 1989, and 38 percent said they were eating our four times a week or more. Some 73 percent reported ordering take-out meals for home at least one of two times weekly.

Restaurants that never had take-out menus in the past are now offering home delivery, Zagat observed.

''Our sense has been that despite the recent downturn in the economy, New Yorkers haven't given up on restaurant-going as a normal part of their lives '' said Tim Zagat, who started publishing travel guides with his wife, Nina, 11 years ago.

''They may be less willing to support certain marginal or expense- account hangouts, but they're still trying out new places in great numbers and proving especially supportive of smaller neighborhood places with moderate prices and simpler food.''

The Four Seasons and Lutece remained at the top of Zagat's most popular restaurants listing, with Bouley, Le Bernardin, Gotham Bar & Grill, La Cote Basque, Union Square Cafe, Aureole, Cafe des Artistes, Le Cirque, Chanterelle and Brooklyn's Peter Luger Steak House completing the short list. Chanterelle fell from sixth to eleventh place.

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MINEOLA, NY (DEC. 20) UPI - The final decommissioning plan for the Long Island Lighting Company's nuclear power plant in Shoreham will be submitted to the federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission next week, it was reported Thursday.

Long Island Power Authority Chairman Richard Kessel urged the NRC to speedily review and approve the decommissioning plan, as well as transfer of the plant's operating license from LILCO to LIPA, so that the dismantling of Shoreham could begin as early as next September.

Because of public opposition, the $5.6 billion plant was abandoned last year before it ever went into full commercial operation, and under an agreement engineered by Gov. Mario Cuomo, it was sold to the state for $1. In return, LILCO is to receive annual five percent raises in electric rates over the next ten years.

At a Thursday news conference, Kessel said the dismantling of the plant will cost an estimated $186 million, and if it is started next September, completion of the work is set for late 1993.

Shoreham would mark the first decommissioning of a major nuclear power plant in the nation and would serve as a prototype for future dismantling of similar plants.

"The plan provides detailed estimates of radiological exposure to workers performing the decomissioning and the amount of radioactive waste expected from the decommissioning," Kessel stated.

He said removal of the reactor vessel will be accomplished by cutting it up, and those portions which have become radioactive will be disposed of. "Other components of the plant, excluding the reactor vessel, have less radiation than you would probably find in a dentist's office," Kessel said.

LIPA Executive Director Stanley Klimberg said the decommissioning "can be accomplished safely with no significant environmental impact." Klimberg noted that there are only "low levels" of contamination in the reactor vessel, because the plant was only operated, during brief test periods, at no more than five percent of capacity.

Klimberg said state officials are in the process of establishing a dump site for disposal of nuclear contamination, and there are similar disposal areas in three other states. If none of these are available for the Shoreham waste, it can be stored at the plant until a dump site can be found, Klimberg said.

"The only high level waste is in the fuel rods, which have been removed and are safely stored in a water pool at the plant," Klimberg said. He said the fuel rods can be stored indefinitely at Shoreham, could be sold for use at another nuclear plant, or could be reprocessed in England or France.

"When the decommissioning is completed, most of the Shoreham buildings will be left at the site," Kessel said. "The cost of razing them would be prohibitive, and the possibility remains that they could be used if there is a decision to convert them to a natural gas-fired generating plant." Kessel said LIPA's board of trustees is expected to approve the decommissioning plan on Friday, and it will then be submitted to the NRC.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold

London

Previous close fix 380.00 up 2.50

Morning fixing	384.45	up 4.45
Afternoon fixing	385.45	up 5.45
Close	385.75	up 5.75
Paris	385.53	up 7.07
Zurich	384.75	up 6.25
Hong Kong	382.45	up 5.60
New York		
Comex spot close	385.20	off 0.80
Republic cash	383.75	off 1.00
Handy and Harman	385.45	up 6.55

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 386.76 up 6.57 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 406.10 up 6.90 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.199	up 0.104
Republic cash	4.20	up 0.085

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.17 per fine ounce up 0.13.

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.16 up 0.11 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.451 up 0.117

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 424.00 up 14.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 524.00 up 14.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 90.00 up 3.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 105.00 up 3.00.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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MOSCOW (DEC. 20) UPI - Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze resigned Thursday at a critical point in world affairs - less than four weeks before a United Nations deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

Although the Soviet policy in the Persian Gulf crisis will not change overnight with Shevardnadze's departure, the resignation of the white- haired Georgian opens the door for more subtle modifications that could affect future U.S. decisions.

Shevardnadze, who won admirers around the globe for his implementation of President Mikhail Gorbachev's ''new thinking,'' built a particularly close relationship with Secretary of States James Baker.

The two men have met on the average of once a month during Baker's two years in office and kept in especially close touch since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

Baker and Shevardnadze have consulted at each important step in the gulf crisis, beginning with the joint U.S.-Soviet condemnation of Iraq's aggression the day after the invasion and through a series of progressively tougher U.N. resolutions.

Their cooperation has spawned an unprecedented partnership in the gulf crisis, a superpower alliance that would have been unthinkable even three years ago and which symbolizes the new world order trumpeted by Gorbachev and, more belatedly, President Bush.

But now with the clock ticking down on the last U.N. measure, which gives Iraq President Saddam Hussein until Jan. 15 to pull out his troops or face military action, Shevardnadze's departure introduces an element of uncertainty at a time when the United States wants clarity of purpose.

After Shevardnadze's dramatic announcement, the U.S.S.R. Congress of People's Deputies adopted a resolution asking him to reconsider and even Gorbachev indicated he would be prepared to set the clock back.

Shevardnadze's spokesman Vitaly Churkin, however, said his boss's decision is final, and Shevardnadze himself gave little sign of having second thoughts.

If Shevardnadze is indeed gone from the scene, the biggest question mark for Washington is: Who will replace him?

One name floated in Moscow diplomatic circles in recent weeks, when it appeared that Shevardnadze might fill the new post of vice president, is Yevgeni Primakov, the Arab specialist who Gorbachev has sent on several Middle East missions to try to find a peaceful resolution of the gulf crisis.

Primakov built close ties with Arab leaders from 1966 to 1985 as the Middle East correpondent for the Soviet Communist Party newspaper Pravda and then in Moscow as head of the Institute for Oriental Studies.

Primakov is widely viewed as being more resistant to the use of force to drive Iraq from Kuwait than Shevardnadze, who strongly advocated a political solution but openly acknowleded that military action might be needed to end the standoff.

Baker cultivated his budding relationship with Shevardnadze to build Soviet support for U.S. policy in the gulf.

Even if Shevardnadze's successor does not stray far from Moscow's present path

Baker will have to start from scratch in building a relationship with a new man.

Criticism over his handling of the gulf crisis, from conservative military officers and deputies who accused him of cozying up too close to Washington, was the last straw for Shevardnadze, who had already endured charges of having lost Eastern Europe in the anti-Communist revolutions of the past year.

Shevardnadze fiercely defended his approach to the gulf conflict in his resignation speech to the legislature.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Today's sudden resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze has taken everyone by surprise, including his boss. Mikhail Gorbachev says he was NOT consulted on the move and condemns it. And Gorbachev says he was just about ready to recommend Shevardnadze to serve as his vice president.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater has his own spin to comments by Lieutenant General Calvin Waller that NOT all U-S troops will be in place against Iraq by January 15th. Fitzwater says the second-in-command of forces in the region meant to say that the troops may NOT be as ready as they would like to be.

Authoritative reports from South Africa indicate that all but one of the nation's apartheid laws will be abolished on February 1st. Racial laws that restrict land ownership and segregate residential areas are to end but the

racial classification law will remain.

Panamanian authorities expect thousands of demonstrators will turn out on this first anniversary of U-S military action that ousted Manuel Noriega. But the demonstrators will parade in protest of the government that replaced him. And they are unhappy with the slow recovery of Panama one year later.

The Commerce Department says a large increase in subsidy payments to farmers helped pushed the personal income of Americans up by 13 and one- half-BILLION dollars in November. The department's report says income, spending and savings all increased last month. The personal income figure had plunged 800-Million dollars in October.

First National Bank of Chicago cut the interest rate it charges its most credit-worthy customers by one-half of one percent today. First National dropped the rate from 10 percent to nine and one-half... the action coming two days after the Federal Reserve trimmed its discount rate by one-half percent.

There news is NOT good in another Commerce Department report. It says the nation's businesses plan to increase spending for new plants and equipment by an estimated two-point-four percent in 1991... the lowest spending level in four years. The figure is seen as an indicator of business confidence in the economy, and the 1991 increase is the lowest since 1986, when spending actually declined by three-point-one percent.

Two health care workers warned in the New England Journal of Medicine that the once-common practice of using kerosene to get rid of head lice is NOT only outdated but can be extremely dangerous. They explained that a patient's family used kerosene after shampoos failed to get rid of the lice and a stove pilot light ignited kerosene fumes, burning the child and two family members.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) UPI - EPA Administrator William Reilly, bowing to White House objections, said Thursday he will withdraw a controversial plan that would have imposed major new recycling requirements on municipal trash incinerators.

Reilly's retreat followed a Wednesday meeting of the newly formed President's Council on Competitiveness at which top administration officials expressed concern the Environmental Protection Agency plan would be overly burdensome and costly to cities already facing enormous trash disposal problems.

The proposal would have required garbage incinerators to separate for recycling at least 25 percent of the re-usable items in trash before sending it on for burning.

Reilly defended the environmental merits of his proposal, but all other members of the council urged him to scrap it, said David Beckwith, a spokesman for the vice president, who attended the closed meeting.

In a statement issued Thursday, Reilly capitulated, saying: ''I accept the decision of the panel.''

However, he added, ''We continue to be commited to recycling and we will consider other appropriate mechanisms to help solve the solid waste problem.''

The rejection of the recycling plan represented the first major action by the competitiveness council, which is supposed to act as a watchdog against government over-regulation.

Vice President Dan Quayle is chairman of the council, which also includes as permanent members White House chief of staff John Sununu and Richard Darman, head of the White House Office of Management and Budget. Both have clashed with Reilly over a wide range of other environmental policies.

A White House official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the administration was in favor of recycling ''as a concept,'' but felt the EPA proposal was a flawed and heavy-handed imposition on local governments.

Beyond the specific issues raised by the recycling plan, the official said the council's action was intended to re-assure the business community that the administration would remain vigilant against excessive government regulation.

''The broader message is the Reagan administration did a good job of reducing the burden of unnecessary regulation and this administration is going to make sure there is a followup on that effort,'' the official said.

The EPA proposed the recycling requirement in the fall of 1989 as part of a regulatory package to reduce toxic air pollution from trash incinerators. Items targeted for recycling included lead-acid batteries, plastic and metal refuse and other materials likely to produce dangerous emissions when burned.

EPA officials argued that greater recycling by incinerators would reduce the amount of trash burned, thus cutting smokestack emissions. As a side benefit, they said the new requirements would stimulate the struggling recycling industry by ensuring ample supplies of raw material.

However, local government officials said the plan was impractical and ill-conceived in that they already were buried under piles of recycled materials - such as newspapers - that no one wanted to buy.

The incinerator industry complained it was being unfairly singled out for regulatory requirements that were not being applied to operators of trash landfills.

Within the administration, Energy Department officials charged the EPA plan would clash with the emerging National Energy Strategy by reducing operations - and thus heat output - from trash incinerators linked to power generators. Draft versions of the energy strategy call for such waste-to-energy plants to play a larger role in the nation's energy mix.

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DALLAS (DEC. 20) UPI - A federal court jury on Thursday convicted former Vernon Savings and Loan owner Don Dixon on 23 charges of misusing thrift funds on a California beach home where he hosted lavish parties with prostitutes.

The verdict came after 11 days of deliberation. The jury of seven women and five men reported they were deadlocked at one point, but U.S. District Judge Joe Fish told them to keep working.

Dixon and his attorney, William Ravkind, showed little reaction to the verdict which came at 11 a.m. Later Dixon turned and embraced his wife and mother. "I've had better days," he told a reporter as he left. Ravkind said, "You live and die by these jury verdicts. I've been around too long to really talk about it."

U.S. Attorney Robert Hauberg said the convictions made a clear statement that savings and loan fraud cases can be successfully prosecuted. "We believe it sends a message to the banking and savings and loan community here in the state of Texas that their own citizens will hold them responsible," he said. Hauberg said Dixon was the first owner of a Texas thrift to be convicted on charges of "personally benefiting from his abuse of the institution."

Sentencing is scheduled Feb. 19. Ravind said no decison had been made on an appeal. Vernon's failure in 1987 set a record as the most costly savings and loan failure at that time. The bailout cost $1.3 billion, officials said.

Most of the 23 counts related the Solana Beach, Calif. home bought with Vernon funds and used to win the favor of regulators and politicians with lavish parties and prostitutes. He was acquitted on 15 counts mostly related to political contributions. Jurors said little to reporters. "Its been a long road, we need to rest," one said to a reporter.

During closing arguments, Prosecutor Davis Jarvis said Dixon used Vernon funds to pay for the beach house which he used like his own. "This master manipulator didn't care as long as it served his purpose," he said. "It was Dixon's house and not Vernon's."

Ravkind argued the government wanted to make Dixon a scapegoat for the thrift industry collapse and that its case had been scripted with plenty of sex and

politics thrown in to convince the jury.

Throughout his testimony, Dixon claimed he was only trying to save Vernon at a time when the economy was declining and the 1986 tax reform act was threatening the incentives for real estate investment.

Dixon admitted that female entertainment was provided on company trips and in hindsight he could see that was wrong. He said, however, that his employees arranged the escorts and he was not directly involved.

"This is not a referendum on prostitution," Jarvis said. "The issue is whether federally-insured funds can be used to hire prostitutes and the answer, ladies and gentlemen, is absolutely not."

Jarvis described as "a most absurd statement and ridiculous lie" Dixon's testimony that he did not know about laws governing campaign contributions. "And yet he (Dixon) asked his officers to make personal contributions and approved reimbursement for them from Vernon funds," he said.

Jarvis said Dawn Baum Simmons, Dixon's former secretary, was the most devastating witness against her former boss. She said Dixon asked her to "filter" political contributions through expense accounts and she refused. "Over and over again Dixon was playing while Vernon was paying," the prosecutor said.

Dixon bought the Vernon, Texas thrift in 1982 and the next year moved it to Dallas. Vernon deposits grew from $80 million to 1982 to $1.6 billion in 1986, when federal regulators forced Dixon from control.

When regulators declared Vernon insolvent, the FBI began a fraud investigation. Since then, ten people connected with Vernon have been convicted on various federal charges. Seven of them were former Vernon officers.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 20) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.40 1/2-2.45 1/2 off 1 1/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.65 3/4- 5.68 3/4 off 5 1/2.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.24 1/2-2.27 1/2 off 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.34 1/2-2.38 off 3/4.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
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Cocoa - $1 to $7 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.45 to 0.85 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.10 to 1.15 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.10 to 0.92 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.80 to $2.30 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $2.00 to $2.50 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 5.00 cents to 9.95 cents a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 10.3 to 11.1 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - unchanged to 0.003 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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OTTAWA (DEC. 20) UPI - Canada's aviation safety board Thursday urged the federal government to crack down on small commercial aircraft operators who are putting customers at risk by pushing pilots to fly in adverse and potentially dangerous weather conditions.

The Transportation Safety Board of Canada, a federal government agency, said in a report that failure to complete assignments because of poor weather was costly to small charter companies that already suffered from low-capital investment and high economic risk.

''There are many pressures on the company, the client and the pilot to get the job done,'' the Board said.

An estimated 6 percent of all aviation accidents in Canada involved pilots ''pushing the weather'', the Board said. The phenomena, in which pilots

encounter poor weather but decide to continue the flight anyway, also accounted for 23 percent of all fatal accidents.

''Whatever you call it, the practice is dangerous and potentially fatal,'' a spokesman for the Board said.

Most of the small charter companies involved in the accidents operate in the harsh northern environment where transportation is seasonal and intensely active during the summer months, the report added.

Pilots continue to fly fixed-wing planes and helicopters in poor conditions by using visual references to the ground or water. But the Board said minimum visibility requirements - three miles in controlled airspace and one mile in uncontrolled space - were insufficient because pilots often had difficulty determining how far they could see.

''A visibility of 1 mile leaves no margin for error,'' the Board said, adding that regulations in the United States are already much tougher. Commercial pilots in the United States cannot use visual references in uncontrolled airspace when the ceiling is less than 1,000 feet unless flight visibility is at least 2 miles.

The danger of flying in poor weather is increased significantly in mountainous terrain where small planes are hampered by strong winds and severe turbulence, the report said, recommending that minimum visibility in such areas be increased to 2 miles.

According to the report, the largest clients of charter services have surpassed government standards by demanding additional safety precautions when they book planes, including mandatory passenger briefings before takeoff, extra survival equipment, additional aircraft maintenace facilities and better-trained pilots.

The board said the federal government should catch up in its standards and audit procedures to better protect customers.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) UPI - President Bush told a group of congressmen Thursday the best way to avoid war with Iraq is for Saddam Hussein to realize he is ''going to get his ass kicked,'' a Republican congressman said.

Rep. Elton Gallegly, R-Calif., said after a meeting with the president at the White House that Bush had reiterated his desire to avoid conflict in the five-month standoff in the Persian Gulf and that Saddam's getting the message had the ''greatest potential for preventing any kind of armed confrontation.''

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The California Republican was one of eight congressmen who just returned from a three-day trip to the Middle East.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 6.50
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.10

60 to 89 days 7.80

90 to 119 days 7.60

120 to 149 days 7.48

150 to 179 days 7.32

180 to 270 days 7.22

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 7.80 - 7.25

Issuers 30 days 7.84

Issuers 90 days 7.33

Issuers 270 days 6.65

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.47

60 to 89 days 8.02

90 to 119 days 7.92

120 to 149 days 7.82

150 to 179 days 7.72

180 days 7.69

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.25 - 7.375

1 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

3 month 7 13-16 - 7 15-16

6 month 7.625 - 7.75

Year 7.50 - 7.625

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 6.55 - 6.53

6 months 6.55 - 6.53

Year 6.48 - 6.46

Federal Funds: High 7 1/8, Low 7 1-16, Close 7 1/8

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7. 357 up 0.079.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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LONDON (DEC. 20) UPI - Asil Nadir, who faces 18 charges of theft and false accounting in connection with his collapsed trading empire Polly Peck, was released Thursday from jail after posting a nearly $7 million bail, court officials said.

Nadir, said to be Britain's 36th-richest man until Polly Peck ran into trouble had been in a London jail since his arrest Saturday at London's Heathrow airport while his lawyers struggled to raise his $6.7 million bail. The charges center on alleged misuse of company funds and alleged illegal share dealing in the weeks leading up to the company's collapse.

Polly Peck, valued at $3.8 billion earlier this year, went into administration - proceedings similar to Chapter 11 bankruptcy in the United States - in October, with debts of $2.5 billion.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) UPI - On the eve of the second anniversary of the terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, U.S. and British officials said Thursday that ''substantial progress'' has been made toward solving the case.

But in a joint statement, FBI Director William Sessions and George Esson, chief constable of Dumfries, Scotland, said it would serve no useful purpose to release details about the largest criminal investigation in history.

''A number of people associated with families of the victims and others would like the progress that has been made to be disclosed,'' the statement said. ''To do so would not be in the best interests of the investigation.''

The statement comes amid persistent reports that the United States may have unwittingly played a role in the Dec. 21, 1988, crash that killed 259 passengers and 11 people on the ground. Officials representing the Drug Enforcement Administration appeared at a congressional hearing Tuesday to dispute media reports that the bomb was slipped into a suitcase belonging to a DEA informant.

Family members of crash victims have criticized the probe and are calling for

disclosure of what the investigation has turned up so far.

''We're calling for a full investigation,'' said Rosemary Wolfe, a member of Families of Pan Am 103-Lockerbie. ''We're concerned about airline security in the future.''

In the joint statement, Sessions and Esson said: ''While all associated with the investigation are sensitive to the feelings of those who lost loved ones either on the aircraft or on the ground in Lockerbie, little information regarding the investigaiton can be relased at present.

''It can, however, be said that substantial progress has been made since this time last year,'' the statement said. ''We remain committed to an international approach requiring the greatest cooperation from those involved and we are very grateful to those who have worked so tirelessly to assist us.''

The statement is essentially the same as comments made by Sessions a year ago and echoed last June by Attorney General Dick Thornburgh. During a meeting with Scottish officials, Thornburgh said ''significant progress'' had been made in the case.

Some have speculated that the United States is dragging its feet in the investigation to cover up its role in the bombing. Broadcast reports last month said Pan Am flights from Frankfurt, West Germany, including Flight 103, had been used several times by an undercover DEA operation to fly informants and suitcases of heroin into Detroit. The flights were part of an elaborate sting operation to snare Middle East drug dealers.

The reports said drug operatives may have uncovered the top-secret operation and retaliated by slipping a bomb in the suitcase of Khalid Jafaar, a Lebanese-American said to be acting as a DEA courier.

The DEA has denied any involvement, but nevertheless conducted an internal review, as did the FBI, another branch of the Justice Department. Both agencies said there was no evicence the allegations were true.

Investigators reportedly believe that the bombing was ordered by Iran, and orchestrated by the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, in retaliation for the U.S. downing of an Iranian Airbus jetliner over the Persian Gulf.

Official pronouncements that the case is progressing are of no consolation to Pan Am family members. Joan Dater, representing Victims of Pan Am 103, said ''it is sad to say two years later'' that no one has been publicly identified or arrested for the bombing.

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (DEC. 20) UPI - Despite a series of potentially crippling glitches, the shuttle Columbia's crew brought back ''an incredible wealth of scientific data'' about the violent universe, the astronauts said Thursday.

At the same time, the seven shuttle fliers said they demonstrated the value of manned space flight by their ability to overcome problems in orbit that would have derailed an unmanned mission with the same goals.

''From a spaceflight point of view, it was immensely successful,'' astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman said of the nine-day astronomy flight. ''We got a lot of challenges, more than we ever expected, and through it all we managed to keep the (Astro-1 space) observatory running.

''We're waiting anxiously to see the fruits of our labors and the labors of all the scientists and engineers on the ground. I'm confident those fruits will be an incredible wealth of scientific data. We really can't wait.''

At a news conference in Houston that was monitored at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, veteran shuttle commander Vance Brand agreed, saying: ''This flight, more than many, demonstrated the value of man in space.''

Columbia, bolted to the back of a 747 jumbo jet, returned to the Kennedy Space Center Thursday after a cross-country flight from Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., bringing the mission full circle after blastoff Dec. 2 from nearby launch pad 39B.

Brand, who at 59 was the oldest human to fly in space, said Columbia's flight would be his last space mission, leaving him tied with six other astronauts and cosmonauts with four flights apiece.

''I certainly enjoy spaceflight, but ... we have 11 assigned crews now,'' he said. ''The line is long enough that I wouldn't want to have a long gray beard when I tried it again. So I think I'll have a change of career. I would like to probably continue on with NASA in some sort of management role.''

Running six months behind schedule because of hydrogen fuel leaks, Columbia blasted off Dec. 2 on a long-awiated mission to study the most violent stars and galaxies in the universe with a $150 million battery of telescopes sensitive to X-rays and ultraviolet light.

Joining Brand and Hoffman, 46, aboard Columbia were co-pilot Guy Gardner, 42, John ''Mike'' Lounge, 44, Robert Parker, 53, and civilian astronomers Ronald Parise, 39, and Samuel Durrance, 47.

Working around the clock in two 12-hours shifts, Hoffman, Parker, Durrance and Parise - all four hold doctorates in astronomy - operated three telescopes in

the shuttle's payload bay that were sensitive to ultraviolet light, radiation that is blocked by Earth's atmosphere.

A fourth telescope, one sensitive to X-rays, was operated from the ground by remote control.

After finally getting a $50 million telescope mount to work properly, the second of two critical control computers overheated and burned out, leaving the astronauts with no way to automatically aim the three ultraviolet telescopes on the European-built Instrument Pointing System.

Scrambling to salvage the mission, engineers on the ground worked out a way for the astronauts to manually guide the IPS after engineers on the ground aimed the telescopes in the general direction of a target by remote control.

After that, Columbia's crew was able to gather priceless data about high-energy astronomical targets around the clock in a major step forward for humanity's understanding of the structure and evolution of the cosmos.

Durrance said the shuttle astronomers gathered ''a rich, deep harvest of ultraviolet astronomy data'' that will spawn dozens of scientific papers.

But Hoffman refused to characterize the overall success of the flight, saying ''the story of this mission isn't finished until those (scientific) papers are written. It's up to the scientists who have this data now to give that answer.''

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ATLANTA (DEC. 20) UPI - Outbreaks of salmonella from eating contaminated eggs have spread across the country and now represent a major public health problem the federal Centers for Disease Control said Thursday.

Previously, salmonella outbreaks had been confined primarily to the New England and Middle Atlantic states. But outbreaks are now occurring in other parts of the country, said Dr. Ban Mishu, a CDC epidemiologist.

''Salmonella enteritidis (SE) has increased dramatically from the early 1980s '' Mishu said. ''It is a major public health problem that's growing and one that we're trying to control.''

In its Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, the CDC said it had received reports of 49 outbreaks of salmonella caused by SE from January through October of this year. Of that number, 22, or 45 percent, occurred outside the New England and Middle Atlantic states.

SE is one of many types of salmonella and is found primarily in eggs.

Identification of SE bacteria as a cause of salmonella is becoming increasingly common and is indicative of the major role contaminated eggs are playing in the spread of the disease, Mishu said.

''During 1985-1989, state and territorial health departments reported 244 SE outbreaks which accounted for 8,607 cases of illness, 1,094 hospitalizations and 44 deaths. Of the 109 outbreaks in which a food vehicle was identified, 89 (82 percent) were associated with shell eggs, '' the CDC said.

A salmonella infection causes abdominal pain, fever, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting and dehydration.

Most cases of SE once were believed caused by eggs that became contaminated after being cracked. But in the 1980s, health officials discovered that entire flocks of chickens and turkeys were infected by the SE bacterium and that the organism was being transmitted from the chicken to the egg and hence to consumers.

The CDC said federal health officials have implemented two major control measures to deal with the salmonella problem caused by contaminated eggs. The Department of Agriculture began investigating flocks of hens last February and interstate movement of eggs from contaminated flocks was restricted. Eggs from such flocks either are diverted to pasteurization plants or the flock is destroyed.

Also, in August the Food and Drug Administration revised food safety codes to include eggs as a potentially hazardous food. The revision recommends that eggs be refrigerated during storage. In addition, food service establishments are advised not to serve raw or undercooked eggs and to serve pasteurized eggs when possible.

''Raw eggs are a public health hazard,'' Mishu said. ''Eggs should be cooked thoroughly.'' That means cooking at 140 degrees Fahrenheit, she said.

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#90354u1244 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (DEC. 20) UPI - Syracuse University basketball players received Christmas cards containing money, traded tickets for favors and enjoyed generous deals on car rentals, the Syracuse Post Standard reported Thursday.

A seven-month investigation by the newspaper revealed 10 players received hundreds of dollars from Orangemen boosters such as basketball Hall of Famer Dave Bing and Bill Rapp Jr., a local car dealer and friend of basketball coach Jim Boeheim.

Rodney Walker, a former player, said he rented cars for the weekend from Rapp,

usually paying him $15 at a time.

Derrick Coleman, who signed a $15 million contract with the New Jersey Nets after being the No. 1 pick in last spring's NBA draft, said he recently gave $500 to Billy Owens, his former teammate and current star of the No. 3 Orangemen.

Coleman said Owens called him and asked for spending money for the Maui Classic in November.

''That's my man,'' Coleman said. ''All the guys are good. I'm sure if they call me and ask me for something, if I got it, you know, I'll send it to them.''

Owens denied the allegation, the newspaper said.

The newspaper, which interviewed scores of players, parents, coaches and others during its investigation, reported one player had a grade changed so he could skirt rules on academic eligibility and play an important Big East Conference game in 1987 when Syracuse went to the NCAA championship game.

Players said they gave game tickets to local businessmen in return for merchandise or to satisfy a debt, which is forbidden under NCAA rules.

Players told the newspaper they typically received $50 bills inside Christmas cards from Rapp.

''It just said, 'Merry Christmas, Bill Rapp,' something like that,'' said George Papadakos, a center who since has transferred. One unidentified player said, ''Everyone took the money and trashed the card.''

However, other players said they don't remember receiving cash in the greeting cards.

Boeheim denied any improprieties.

''The NCAA has looked at everything we've done,'' he said. ''We tried to do everything we can to see that nothing happens.''

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#90354u1247 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	67 5-8	off 1	
AT&T Company	30 1-2	off	3-4
BCE Inc	34 3-8	off	1-8

Bell Atlantic	55		off	1
BellSouth Corp	54	5-8	off	3-8
Exxon Corp	50	3-8	off	1-8
Ford Motor Co	25	3-8	off	1-4
Genl Electric	57	5-8	up	1
General Motors	34	3-4	off	3-8
GTE Corp	29	1-2	off	1-4
IBM Corp	113	3-4	up	1
Mobil Oil Corp	57		off	1-8
Nynex Corp	72	3-4	off	5-8
Pac Gas & Elec	24	3-4	unch	
Pacific Telesis	46	1-4	off	1-4
Phila Electric	17	1-2	off	1-4
Sears Roebuck	25	7-8	off	1-4
Southern Co	27	3-8	off	3-8
Sthwestern Bell	56	3-8	off	3-4
US West Inc	39	1-8	up	3-8

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1021.4
Wednesday	1018.3
Week ago	1020.5
Month ago	Holiday
Year ago	1057.3
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1007.8

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) UPI - New findings provide the first steps towards developing tests to determine if a woman has inherited a tendency towards breast cancer, researchers said Thursday.

For the first time, scientists have found the approximate location of a gene involved in an inherited form of breast cancer.

About 5 percent to 10 percent of the 150,000 breast cancer cases reported in the United States each year are thought to be hereditary, but until now researchers have not been able to find the gene or genes responsible for the inherited cancer cases.

Finding the inherited genetic defects that predispose women to breast cancer could lead to tests to identify which women in families with high rates of

breast cancer are at risk for the disease. Those at risk could then be monitored closely and also receive experimental treatments aimed at heading off the cancer.

In addition, identifying the gene or genes reponsible for inherited breast cancer may provide clues to the genetic mutations underlying the more common, non-inherited types of breast cancer.

''Ultimately, if all the genes causing breast cancer can be mapped, identified and their functions understood, the disease could be detected and treated very early in its development,'' said Mary-Claire King of the University of California-Berkeley's School of Public Health.

In a study published in the journal Science, King and her colleagues looked at the genetic makeup of 23 white families with unusually high rates of breast cancer. The women in the families tended to develop breast cancer before age 45, and were more likely to have cancer in both breasts than other patients.

The California researchers found that women with breast cancer appeared to share a genetic pattern on the long arm of so-called chromosome 17 that was different than their disease-free counterparts.

Each person has 23 chromosomes bearing about 100,000 genes that contain the blueprints for everything from hair color to disease risk.

Dr. John Laszlo of the American Cancer Society hailed the new findings, saying they provide ''important pieces of the puzzle'' about which women are at greatest risk for breast cancer. About one in 10 American women will develop breast cancer during their lifetimes, and about 45,000 women die of the disease in this country each year.

''The trick is to identify those patients who are at risk,'' Bert Vogelstein of Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions told Science, noting breast cancer deaths should be totally preventable if the tumors are caught in the earliest stages.

The precise location of the newly discovered breast cancer susceptibility gene as well as its function, is not yet known. However, researchers think they can use the newly discovered genetic pattern to tell members of the 23 families whether they are at high risk of developing breast cancer.

However, another study by University of Utah researchers did not find a strong association between the genetic region singled out by the California team and the risk of inherited breast cancer.

The Utah work, published in Science, also indicates that the genetic predisposition to cancer may be somewhat more common than previously believed.

Researchers found that women belonging to 20 Utah families with a high rate of breast cancer were about three times more likely to have a non-malignant condition, called proliferative breast disease or PBD, than women in the general population.

PBD, a non-cancerous growth of cells lining the milk duct, is sometimes, but not always, a precursor to breast cancer. Dr. John Ward, co-author of the study, said better detection of PBD may help expand understanding of the genetic basis of breast cancer in much the same way that identifying people with a tendency to non-cancerous colon polyps broadened knowledge about colon cancer inheritance.

Ward said the technique his team used to detect PBD, which involved drawing out tissue samples from the breast through a fine, hollow needle, currently is recommended only for research purposes, not as a general screening tool.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2629.46	up	2.73
20 Trans	915.67	off	1.31
15 Utils	209.88	off	1.70
65 Stocks	921.34	off	1.13

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Thurdday	2629.46	up	2.73	915.67	off	1.31	209.88	off	1.70
Wednesday	2626.73	unchanged		916.98	up	9.93	211.58	up	0.50
Week ago	2614.36	off	7.92	917.17	up	1.88	209.32	off	1.00
Month ago	Holiday								
Year ago	2691.13	up	3.20	1143.67	up	6.93	233.40	off	0.44
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90354u1283 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 20) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze resigned today, warning that opposition to change in the Soviet Union is leading to a new

''dictatorship.'' His speech to the Congress of People's Deputies took everyone by surprise, and Shevardnadze told delegates that his decision was final, even though they later voted 15- hundred-40 to 52 to have him reconsider. Shevardnadze is one of Mikhail Gorbachev's closest allies. He warned that reactionary conservative forces are on the move in the Soviet Union and may destroy perestroika.

There is considerable tugging and pulling in Washington today over whether U-S troops are ready for any action against Iraq come January 15th, the deadline set by the U-N. The second-highest-ranking U-S military man in Saudi Arabia says that some of the troops ordered up on November 8th by President Bush are still arriving and may NOT be ready for combat until the middle of February. The comments from Lieutenant General Calvin Waller are being played down at the White House. Spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says General Waller really meant to say U-S troops may NOT be as ready by January 15th as everyone would like.

The first elected parliament of a united Germany in nearly 60 years convened today in the historic Reichstag building in Berlin. The inaugural gathering of the 660 deputies voted overwhelmingly to re-elect conservative Rita Suessmuth as parliamentary president. In an acceptance speech, she told the deputies that their jobs is to complete the unity of people in eastern and western Germany and work for European unification.

The Missouri Supreme Court today refused to order hospital officials to resume feeding Nancy Cruzan, whose family won the right last week to have a feeding tube removed from the woman. Cruzan has been kept alive by the feeding tube because she is hospitalized in a vegetative state for nearly eight years. The Missouri high court issued a two-sentence statement denying a petition filed by a woman who opposed the right-to- die ruling. Hospital officials said Cruzan would die in a two weeks without the feeding tube, and her condition has deteriorated since it was removed.

The Cable News Network may be back in court yet for releasing the contents of tapes of former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega talking with his defense lawyers. The judge in the case has told federal prosecutors to prepare a brief against C-N-N for defying his order NOT to air the recordings. The temporary restraining order was issued on November 8th after C-N-N ran part of the tape. The judge wanted to see if the conversations violated Noriega's right to a fair trial. C-N-N then aired two additional segments in violation of that order.

The World Health Organization says at least 250-Million sexually transmitted infections occurred world-wide each year and the growing epidemic is creating what is termed a ''public health nightmare.'' And the W-H-O says young adults now account for the largest share of the 250-Million infections, with the highest incidence reported among people aged 20 through 24. A spokesman says that if sexual behavior is NOT modified and effective new prevention and control programs developed, the disease and mortality rates will be even worse.

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#90354u1293 12/20/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks	-	174,700,000 shares
1990 to date	-	38,974,453,791
Warrants	-	847,100
1990 to date	-	255,623,300

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#90354u1294 12/20/1990 ~United Press International
MIAMI (DEC. 20) UPI - Former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega, deposed a year ago by a U.S. invasion, has been awaiting trial in a Miami prison for nearly a year on drug and racketeering charges and it looks like he has another six months to wait.

He faces a myriad of charges largely involving the shipment of drugs and drug money from the notorious cocaine cartel in Medellin, Colombia, Panama City's closest metropolitan cousin, to the United States.

His trial date has been postponed at least twice - most recently last week - and despite hundreds of hours in legal wrangling does not appear to be much closer than when he arrived in Miami on Jan. 4.

''Right now we're sort of in a holding pattern,'' said lawyer Jon May, the appellate member of Noriega's defense team. ''We are months and months behind.''

May blamed the delays on the government. He said prosecutors have been less than cooperative in moving the case along.

U.S. Attorney Dexter Lehtinen would not comment on May's allegations. He has said many times his team is ready for trial. He also claims the case has moved at a steady pace since Noriega and 15 others were indicted in November 1988.

''The investigation has progressed quite a bit in the past two years, '' he said. ''We have had two defendants plead guilty. We're preparing for trial but the defense has indicated they need more time to prepare.''

Part of the problem, defense attorneys say, has to do with money. Defense attorneys say they have not been paid and have been unable to conduct crucial pretrial investigations.

At the request of prosecutors, several foreign governments froze Noriega's assets. Those governments have been hesitant to release the money because they are entitled to keep ill-gotten gains and Noriega's assets are in the millions.

U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler ordered the government to help the defense gain access to those funds and a group of Justice Department officials is in Europe trying to persuade France, Austria and Switzerland to release some of the money.

Hoeveler said he is satisfied the government is making a good faith effort to get the funds, but May questioned Lehtinen's motives.

''I don't know what's going on,'' he said. ''I would hope they are making the effort. The court believes they are but to me that the United States would suddenly send a delegation to Europe: it seems they are acting in our interests when their self interests coincide with ours.''

Meanwhile, the four defense lawyers have agreed to sign on as court- appointed attorneys earning up to $75 an hour, far less than the $350 an hour such a case can command, at least until the government delegation returns from Europe.

''That will permit us in the interim to get investigators hired. The (government) provides for necessary costs and expenses for a defense and we are required to reimburse most of the expenses,'' May said. ''We're trying very hard to keep the taxpayers from paying for the general's defense.''

Defense attorneys have indicated they may be forced to quit unless the general's assets are released. They have claimed they cannot prepare the type of defense required to win such a notorious case on what the government pays.

Another stumbling block of late has been the CNN tapes. Cable News Network obtained and aired tapes from telephone conversations Noriega has had from his cell at Metropolitan Correction Center.

Lead defense attorney Frank Rubino claims a CNN reporter got the tapes from an official in Panama who received them from the Justice Department.

CNN has refused to reveal its source, but Hoeveler Wednesday ordered prosecutors to prepare criminal contempt charges against CNN for airing some of the tapes against his orders. CNN officials said they expect the network to be exonerated.

The defense team also has a motion for dismissal pending because of the CNN tapes and several other issues they claim inhibit Noriega's right to a fair trial.

Two of Noriega's co-defendants pleaded guilty. In May, Eduardo Pardo was sentenced to 30 months in prison after pleading guilty to flying drug profits from the United States to Panama.

Just two weeks ago, Lt. Col. Luis del Cid, said to be the right hand man in

Noriega's drug dealings with the Medellin Cartel, pleaded guilty in an agreement that calls for him to testify against the general in exchange for a possible three-year sentence.

Both May and Rubino don't think del Cid can significantly damage Noriega. In fact, ''if he tells the truth,'' he should help Noriega, Marino said.

Noriega and 15 others were indicted by a federal grand jury in Miami in February 1988 on charges of drug trafficking and money laundering. The 12-count indictment accuses Noriega of allowing Colombian drug lords to use Panama as a safe haven for shipping cocaine to the United States and stockpiling their profits, in return for at least $4.6 million in payoffs.

If convicted, Noriega would face a maximum penalty of 145 years in prison and $1.1 million in fines.

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#90354u1298 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Thursday - $49,690,000

1990 to date - $10,712,150,000

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#90354u1301 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	139,471,808	44	up 2 1/8
Intel Corp	(INTC)	70,988,552	39	up 1 1/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	67,142,496	19 5/8	up 1/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	46,780,780	75 1/2	up 5/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	40,201,452	37 1/2	off 1 1/8
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	31,425,874	61 1/4	off 1
Quantm Corp	(QNTM)	27,512,752	18 1/8	off 1
Seagate Tech	(SGAT)	25,269,352	12 1/4	up 1/2
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	24,767,444	22 1/2	off 1/2
InFocus Systms		23,437,548	11 1/4	unch

Composite Index 164.44 up 0.49

NMS volume 132,020,600 shares.

Advances	800
Declines	793
Unchanged	1,179
Total	2,772

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AUSTIN, TX (DEC. 20) UPI - Prodigy, a White Plains, N.Y.-based computer information service, agreed Thursday to refund four months of fees to Texas subscribers who want to cancel the service.

The Texas attorney general's office had accused the computer service, which is owned jointly by International Business Machines Corp, of Armonk, N.Y., and Sears, Roebuck and Co., of Chicago, of misleading customers about its costs and services.

In an agreement reached with the attorney general's office, Prodigy also said it would "clearly and conspicuously" disclose all fees in future advertisements.

Prodigy agreed to notify Texas subscribers to the service for the period Sept. 6, 1990 to Dec. 7, 1990 that they may cancel the service and receive a refund of all fees.

Prodigy allows subscribers to access a host of information services, including weather, news, and shopping networks. In addition, subscribers may send messages to one another by computer. The service has several hundred thousand subscribers in Texas.

Attorney General Jim Mattox said the main selling point of the service was that it charged a flat monthly rate with no usage charges. But he said Prodigy did not notify its subscribers in September when it began charging 25 cents for each message in excess of 30 messages per month.

Ron Dusek, a spokesman for Mattox, said the computer service was advertising that its electronic message service was free at the same time that it was charging subscribers for the service. The company also agreed to reimburse the state of Texas $12,500 for investigative costs.

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#90354u1332 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

FOXBORO, MA (DEC. 20) UPI - The New England Patriots, riding a 12-game losing streak and completing the most embarrassing season in the history of the franchise, Thursday hired University of Miami Athletic Director Sam Jankovich as the club's chief executive officer.

The announcement came after two days of meetings between owner Victor Kiam and Jankovich. Jankovich, who brought a sinking Miami athletic program to national prominence in the 1980s, also met with General Manager Pat Sullivan, who will remain with the Pats.

Jankovich said Sullivan will be involved in community relations and salary negotiations.

Terms of Jankovich's contract were not disclosed but there have been reports it is worth $500,000 a year for five years.

Jankovich said no decision had been made to fire Coach Rod Rust, whose team is 1-13 and has lost 12 straight games.

''That decision will not be made in haste,'' Jankovich said. ''There are two football games left. We will meet at the end of the football season.''

He also said he would talk with the players after the season to get their views.

The University of Miami said it would immediately begin a search for a new athletic director. Jankovich said reports that he might bring Hurricane Coach Dennis Erickson with him were not true, adding the Miami coach had signed a 5-year contract extension binding him to Miami.

''This is a new era for the Patriots,'' Kiam said. ''He is the owners' representative and chief executive officer and will be in complete control of all aspects of the New England Patriots organization.''

Kiam and the Patriots have been mired in a dismal season. The NFL fined the Patriots and several players for the sexual harrassment of a woman reporter in the locker room. In another incident, receivers Irving Fryar and Hart Lee Dykes were involved in a bar-room incident in Rhode Island.

The team has played before the NFL's five smallest crowds this year, four of the games at home.

''We are not coming in here with a broom to sweep things clean,'' Jankovich said. ''But if we have to make changes we will.''

When Jankovich arrived at Miami seven years ago the Hurricanes sold 12,000 season tickets. This year they sold 58,000.

During his stay at Miami, he hired football coaches Jimmy Johnson and Erickson revived the basketball program, which had been dormant for more than a decade placed Miami in the Big East Conference and is on the verge of putting together financing for an on-campus center that would serve as a basketball arena.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday 10 to 92 points higher.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	75.77	76.72	75.66	76.66	75.74
May	75.05	75.95	74.93	75.90	75.10
Jly	74.51	75.30	74.50	75.25	74.65
Oct	67.80	68.40	67.80	68.35	68.10
Dec	65.30	65.48	65.25	65.32	65.20
Mar	66.00	66.25	66.00	66.15	65.85
May	66.25	....	....	66.50	66.40

Estimated sales: 6,500 contracts
Open interest: 42,669 off 43
The World spot average: unavailable

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austral	.000205	.000205	4873.00	4880.00
Australia dlr	.7730	.7715	1.2937	1.2962
Austria schill	.0950	.0962	10.53	10.40
Belgium franc-c	.0323	.0327	30.98	30.57
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0066	.0067	152.58	148.90
Britain pound	1.9005	1.9304	.5262	.5180
Britain 1-mo	1.9218	1.9218	.5203	.5203
Britain 3-mo	1.9043	1.9043	.5251	.5251
Britain 6-mo	1.8819	1.8819	.5314	.5314
Canada dollar	.8628	.8626	1.1590	1.1593
Canada 1-mo	.8602	.8602	1.1625	1.1625
Canada 3-mo	.8561	.8561	1.1681	1.1681
Canada 6-mo	.8460	.8460	1.1821	1.1821
Chile peso-f	.003074	.003074	325.33	325.26
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001931	.001935	517.97	516.75
Denmark krne	.1728	.1747	5.7875	5.7225
Ecudr sucre-z	.001145	.001149	873.60	870.68
Egypt pound	.3563	.3564	2.8065	2.8062
Finlnd mrkka	.2765	.2789	3.6160	3.5860

France franc	.1953	.1983	5.1205	5.0420
France 1-mo	.1975	.1975	5.0623	5.0623
France 3-mo	.1967	.1967	5.0847	5.0847
France 6-mo	.1953	.1953	5.1213	5.1213
Greece drach	.006488	.006530	154.14	153.13
Hollnd guildr	.5888	.5997	1.6985	1.6675
HongKong dlr	.1282	.1282	7.7995	7.8005
India rupee	.0555	.0555	18.01	18.01
Indo'sa rupia	.000533	.000533	1877.00	1875.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7730	1.7970	0.5640	0.5565
Israel shekel	.5058	.5058	1.9770	1.9770
Italy lira	.000880	.000895	1136.00	1117.00
Japan yen	.007416	.007452	134.85	134.20
Japan 1-mo	.007416	.007452	134.84	134.20
Japan 3-mo	.007416	.007451	134.85	134.21
Japan 6-mo	.007404	.007450	135.06	134.22
Jordan dinar	1.5437	1.5418	.6478	.6486
Kuwait dinar	3.4247	3.4247	0.2920	0.2920
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000342	.000342	2926.00	2925.00
N.Zealand dlr	.5890	.5915	1.6978	1.6906
Norway krne	.1705	.1721	5.8650	5.8100
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	512,200	522,050
P'pnes peso-z	.0365	.0365	27.41	27.41
Portugl escud	.007591	.007665	131.74	130.46
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5780	.5803	1.7300	1.7233
S.Africa rand	.3963	.3986	2.5236	2.5087
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010472	.010574	95.49	94.57
Sweden krona	.1769	.1789	5.6540	5.5900
Switzrl franc	.7719	.7877	1.2955	1.2695
Switzrl 1-mo	.7642	.7779	1.3085	1.2855
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7488	.7607	1.3355	1.3145
Switzrl 6-mo	.7281	.7399	1.3735	1.3515
Taiwan dollar	.0376	.0376	26.63	26.63
Turkey lira	.000353	.000352	2836.00	2839.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6632	3.6632
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0202	.0202	49.59	49.59
Germany mark	.6640	.6764	1.5060	1.4785
Germany 1-mo	.6575	.6687	1.5210	1.4955
Germany 3-mo	.6378	.6491	1.5680	1.5405
Germany 6-mo	.6668	.6668	1.4997	1.4997
Yugosl dinar	.0979	.0988	10.21	10.12

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.
Interbank Buyers Rates

Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - First National Bank of Chicago responded to the Federal Reserve's loosening of the nation's credit reins by cutting Thursday its prime lending rate half a percentage point, but the largest U.S. banks and biggest regional institutions resisted pressure to follow suit.

First Chicago cut its prime, a touchstone for loans to mid-sized corporations and small businesses and for some home equity loans, to 9.5 percent from ten percent. The move by the 11th-largest U.S. bank came two weeks after Southwest Bank of St. Louis led the way down to 9.5 percent.

Southwest was quickly matched by Manufacturers & Traders Bank, a Buffalo, N.Y.-based unit of First Empire State Corp., and First Fidelity Bancorp of Lawrenceville, N.J., and Norwest Bank of Minnesota lowered its prime this week to 9.75 percent from ten percent.

But as of late Thursday the nation's ten largest New York and West Coast money-center banks, as well as the so-called super-regionals, hadn't responded to the Fed's easing signals by passing lower costs to customers.

This week, the Fed lowered the discount rate, a rarely adjusted but important benchmark, to 6.5 percent from seven percent and guided the Federal funds rate on interbank borrowing down to seven percent from 7.25 percent.

That gave big U.S. banks a generous spread, or profit margin, of three percentage points between their cost of funds and their profits from lending money out. Most often, the spread is of 1.5 to two percentage points.

The popular perception that banks weren't sharing the rate break from the Fed with the rest of the country brewed some discontent. "You're seeing a lot of political pressure, a lot of consumer pressure," said industry analyst Frank Anderson of Stephens Inc. in Little Rock, Ark. But "it's a question more of when, not if," prime rates descend, he added.

"There's always some degree of stickiness" in the prime's descent following a Fed easing, said Frederick Wolf, a partner in consulting firm Price Waterhouse who specializes in government financial services. "Will it come down?" Wolf asked. "Yes. I can't imagine that it's going to do anything other than that."

Most big banks declined to respond to criticisms. "We don't comment on rates

unless and until" they are adjusted, said John Keane, vice president ofcorporate public relations with San Francisco's BankAmerica Corp.

The White House said it wouldn't jawbone the banks. "These things take time," said presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater. "The markets will take care of that in due course. We're not trying to speed up the process."

Anderson said that while profit is no doubt a factor in bankers' reticence to bring down rates, the parlous condition of U.S. financial institutions and rising costs they face in 1991 also are coming into play.

"Commercial banks' profitability or earnings are under great strain now," said Anderson, citing loan losses and a sharp hike in premiums required by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. Next year banks will pay 19.5 cents per $100 in covered deposits, up 62 percent from 12 cents.

FDIC officials are also talking about a one-time assessment of one percent of all deposits to recapitalize the FDIC fund, facing depletion under a cresting wave of bank failures. "You're talking about a hit," Anderson said. "The consumer's got a complaint, no doubt," concluded Anderson. "But in order to have a healthy bank system, banks have to make money."

David C. Cates, chairman of Ferguson & Co., a Washington-based bank analysis firm, said that in any case the prime has become "a very artificial rate" that doesn't reflect currently tight, expensive credit markets.

Creditworthy customers are finding less money available, and at higher rates. "A businessman ought to feel good if he is able to get a continuation of his banking relationships at a reasonable price," Cates said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Manuf Hanover	2,863,700	24 1/8	up 1 5/8
AT&T Company	2,353,000	30 3/8	off 7/8
BankAmerica Cp	2,058,600	28	up 1 3/8
Citicorp	1,977,400	13 3/4	up 1/2
Travelers Corp	1,975,400	17 1/8	up 1/8
IBM Corp	1,896,000	113 3/4	up 1
Genl Electric	1,707,100	57 1/2	up 7/8
Philip Morris	1,611,000	51 3/8	up 3/8
Toys R Us Inc	1,579,300	23 3/8	off 5/8
Amer Express	1,529,000	21 1/2	off 3/4
Fedl Natl Mtge	1,325,200	35	unch

Glaxo Holdings	1,283,900	33	off 1/8
Lilly Eli & Co	1,228,400	74 1/4	off 1
Chase Manhattan	1,195,800	10 3/4	off 3/8
Browning Ferris	1,157,300	22 1/2	unch

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Energy Service	495,500	2 1/2	off 1/8
Echo Bay Mines	489,100	8 1/2	up 1/8
Wang Labs Inc B	451,400	2 5/8	off 1/8
Tubos De Acero	442,300	7 1/4	unch
Rhone Poulenc	428,400	7 1/2	off 1/4
Western Digital	370,700	4 1/2	unch
Fruit of Loom	302,000	8 3/8	off 1/8
Dow Chemical rt	281,300	4 3/4	off 1/4
Cheyenne Softwr	274,000	7 7/8	up 3/8
OMI Corp	242,900	5 1/8	off 1/8

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2600.00	2648.51	2591.58	2629.46	up 2.73
20 Trans	907.80	925.60	902.17	915.67	off 1.31
15 Utils	210.76	211.52	208.50	209.88	off 1.70
65 Stock	914.16	928.97	909.27	921.34	off 1.13

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Thursday	Wednesday
Indus	18,550,300	19,295,100
Trans	3,510,200	3,558,400
Utils	2,898,000	4,980,400
65 Stock	24,958,500	27,833,900

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.64	up 0.02
10 Public Utils	93.68	off 0.06
10 Industrials	89.60	up 0.09

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at

126.51 up 0.10.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	239.00	242.30	238.50	242.30	240.40
Mar	240.00	244.30	240.00	244.30	242.15
Jun	....	....	....	246.20	244.05
Sep	....	....	....	248.60	246.45

Estimated volume: 204 contracts.

Open interest: 1,454 up 29

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	326.40	331.00	325.75	330.35	329.55
Mar	327.25	333.15	327.25	332.85	331.90
Jun	331.60	336.20	331.50	335.75	334.70
Sep	....	338.50	334.20	338.30	337.80

Estimated volume: 67,747 contracts.

Open interest: 167,804 off 2,037

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	178.00	180.70	178.00	180.50	180.15
Mar	178.50	181.75	178.50	181.50	181.20
Jun	180.25	182.70	180.20	182.85	182.55

Open interest: 4,788 off 430

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	547.50	552.30	543.00	551.30	549.50
Jan	549.00	554.40	545.25	553.50	551.50
Feb	545.50	554.00	545.50	553.50	551.50

Estimated volume: 4,579 contracts.

Open interest: 12,008 up 1,401

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(For Thursday)

NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5,

1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	372.30	up	1.08	371.50	441.09
Industrial	403.45	up	1.49	401.04	433.71
Finance	359.91	up	0.66	364.77	494.09
Insurance	449.00	off	1.00	457.34	530.64
Utility	483.59	up	2.57	475.89	708.52
Bank	253.51	off	1.54	257.34	384.62
Transport	414.07	off	1.55	411.27	486.25

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 164.44 up 0.49

Industrial Index 161.23 up 0.61

NASDAQ-100 Index 403.03 up 2.20

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Thursday 403.03 up 2.20.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (DEC. 20) UPI - The Florida Office of the Comptroller Thursday filed enforcement actions against 11 securities companies for alleged violations of the state's "cold call" rule, among other regulations.

State Comptroller Gerald Lewis, who announced the legal action at a news conference, said brokers at the 11 companies sought to sell low-priced securities known as "penny stocks" to strangers over the phone in apparent violation of the regulation, which was adopted Jan. 1. Enforcement actions also were filed against 65 individuals, Lewis said.

The state rule requires that any customer initially contacted by telephone must agree to the transaction in writing before a sale can be finalized, if he or she had no previous business relationship with the salesperson.

The restriction was designed to protect customers from high-pressure sales pitches, Lewis said. The companies face revocation of their licenses and fines. They have 21 days to challenge the actions against them.

"I think we have gotten a real handle on penny stock fraud," said Lewis, whose office has closed 45 so-called penny stock companies in Florida since launching an enforcement campaign in January 1988. "We think we have made a real dent in this type of fraud," he added.

In addition to violating the state's "cold call" rule, officials also said the companies failed to determine if the solicited stock purchasers were suitable investors. The firms also were cited for failing to supervise their sales staffs and not maintaining proper books and records.

Lewis' agency, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the National Association of Securities Dealers launched the probe in March. Florida was the only state asked to participate in the sweep, which targeted 188 companies nationwide.

Six of the companies named Thursday are based in Colorado, but have offices in Florida. They are Brennan Ross Securities Inc. of Fort Lauderdale; First Eagle Inc. of Boca Raton and Palm Harbor; H.T. Fletcher Securities Corp. of Boca Raton; Kober Financial Corp. of Tampa and Boca Raton; Malone and Associates Inc. of Fort Lauderdale and Boca Raton; and MLB Investments Ltd. of Longwood, Pensacola and Palm Beach Garden.

Three New York firms with branches in Florida also were named. They are G.K. Scott and Company Inc. of Boca Raton, Fort Lauderdale, West Palm Beach and Port St. Lucie; Global Capital Securities Inc. of Boca Raton; and GSG Global Securities Group Inc. of Boca Raton and Sunrise.

Also named were Michigan-based Horizons International Corp. with a branch office in Boca Raton and Washington-based Koch Capital with offices in Boca Raton, Tampa and Deerfield Beach.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	22.55-22.65	23.40-23.50
North Sea Brent	26.80-26.85	27.55-27.65
West Texas Intermed	27.55-27.65	28.15-28.20
Light Louisiana Sweet	28.30-28.50	29.00-29.10
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	66.45-66.80	66.65-66.90
No. 2 Heating oil	78.85-79.00	77.45-77.70

U.S. Gulf Coast spot products
(cents per gallon)

Unleaded gasoline	63.10-63.35	63.90-64.05
No. 2 Heating oil	75.55-75.80	74.55-74.80

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PROVIDENCE, R.I. (DEC. 20) UPI - The Rhode Island Supreme Court ruled Thursday that Vincent A. ''Buddy'' Cianci Jr. can return as mayor of Providence, despite the criminal record he earned for assaulting his wife's reputed lover.

In a 4-1 vote, the court rejected arguments that Cianci's narrow victory in the Nov. 6 election should be voided because of a 1986 amendment to the state constitution regarding convicted felons holding public office. The justices also said Cianci's challengers filed their objections too late.

Chief Justice Thomas Fay was the lone dissenter. Cianci, 49, is scheduled to be inaugurated Jan. 7.

''We were living on a high wire for a while, but basically we're down from there and it's a great feeling,'' said Cianci, who served as mayor from 1974-84 before being forced to resign because of the assault.

The ruling marked a stunning political comeback for Cianci, whose first administration was also plagued by corruption scandals that led to convictions or indictments of more than two dozen officials.

''As far as I'm concerned, the ball game is over,'' said Frederick Cass, a lawyer who challenged Cianci's right to take office.

Cass had complained about telephone threats he received for opposing Cianci, though he never accused Cianci of being behind them. After the Supreme Court released its decision, Cass said the harassment might be over.

''The last (call) I got was on Saturday,'' Cass said. ''(The caller) said if Buddy lost I'd be dead. Buddy won.''

Cianci narrowly defeated independent candidate Frederick Lippitt and Democrat Andrew Annaldo in the Nov. 6 race for mayor. Cianci, a former Republican who also ran as an independent, finished 317 votes ahead of Lippitt.

The state Board of Elections declared Cianci the winner after a recount of voting-machine tallies, but announced at the same time a group of voters had filed an objection to his election.

The challengers cited a 1986 constitutional amendment that says convicted

felons must wait three years after completing their sentences before they can take public office. They argued Cianci did not complete his sentence, five years of probation, until April 1989, and therefore was not be eligible to hold public office until April 1992.

The court ruled, however, that the amendment cannot be applied retroactively to Cianci, who was convicted and sentenced in 1984 for assaulting Raymond DeLeo, a building contractor Cianci suspected of having an affair with his now-former wife, Sheila.

The high court also said the challengers should have filed their objections soon after Cianci filed his declaration of candidacy in June, not after he won the election.

Cianci, who became a popular radio talk show host after his resignation, went on the air at WHJJ-AM shortly after the high court ruling.

''I'm just happy it turned out in may favor,'' said Cianci, who will end his daily 3-6 p.m. show on Friday.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	385.99	234.45	145.56	23.79	330.20
Opening	383.17	232.27	144.41	23.50	327.64
11 a.m.	384.63	233.44	144.54	23.73	328.91
Noon	385.78	234.46	144.85	23.87	329.93
1 p.m.	386.03	234.77	144.77	23.96	330.17
2 p.m.	385.69	234.41	144.63	23.92	329.86
3 p.m.	386.17	234.83	144.58	23.95	330.20
Close	386.00	234.85	144.66	23.96	330.12
Change	up 0.01	up 0.40	off 0.90	up 0.17	off 0.08

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#90354u1422 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 20) UPI - The surprise resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze is drawing quick reaction from other world leaders. U-S Secretary of State Baker calls his Soviet counterpart ''a man of his word, a man of courage, conviction and principle.'' And Baker says the warning by Shevardnadze that reactionary forces could force the Soviet Union back toward a dictatorship is a warning that the world should take seriously.

White House news secretary Marlin Fitzwater says the swiftness of the

Schevardnadze resignation indicates just how serious the political situation has become within the Soviet Union. Fitzwater calls Shevardnadze- quoting now- ''an important figure in the positive evolution of U-S-Soviet relations.''

The nation's businesses plan to increase their capital spending next year, but the Commerce Department says the two-point-four percent increase is the smallest in four years. And that is taken as another sign that the economy's pattern of strong growth has begun to fade. Treasury Secretary Brady still refused to use the ''R'' word. He woN'T say the nation is drifting into a recession, only that it is going through what he calls a ''significant economic downturn.''

Former Texas savings and loan owner Don Dixon has been found guilty on 23 of 38 charges brought before a federal jury in Dallas. Collapse of his Vernon Savings and Loan in 1987 cost taxpayers one-point-three- BILLION dollars. The charges covered everything from making illegal political contributions to using thrift money for what was called ''female entertainment'' on company trips.

For the second time in a week, a minor earthquake rattled parts of Indiana. There are NO reports of damage or injuries in the latest tremor, which was recorded at three-point-four on the open-ended Richter Scale. The tremor was reported centered about 30 miles southwest of Indianapolis. Officials say neither quake, however, was along the New Madrid fault line.

The mercury plunged well below zero in the West on the last full day of fall while high winds created dangerous and miserable wind-chill conditions. The thermometer dropped to 15 degrees at midnight in Eugene, Oregon, breaking a six-year-old record, while other record lows were tied along the north Oregon coast. The cold was worse in South Dakota, where temperatures dipped as low as 23 below zero in Custer and Buffalo. The wind-chill factor made it seem as bad as 73 below in some parts of the state.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 13
New lows 46

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	258	5,053,800
Declines	323	4,390,800
Unchanged	299	4,555,400
Total	880	14,000,000

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Thursday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	167,402,200
Advances	967
Declines	943
Unchanged	2,276
Total	4,186

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ATLANTA (DEC. 20) UPI - The Atlanta Braves Thursday agreed to a three-year contract with second-look free agent pitcher Charlie Leibrandt, including an option for 1994.

Leibrandt, 9-11 with a 3.16 ERA in 24 starts for the Braves last year, pitched five shutouts. He allowed 72 runs - 57 earned - on 164 hits and 35 walks, while striking out 76.

Leibrandt did not pitch until June 3 because of a shoulder injury he suffered in workouts in February.

In nine years Leibrandt is 101-89 with a 3.70 ERA in 300 games. His best season was 1985, when he was 17-9 with a 2.69 ERA in 33 games for the Kansas City Royals.

Leibrandt was acquired last December along with pitcher Rick Luecken from Kansas City in exchange for Gerald Perry and minor league pitcher Jim Lemasters.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.03	7.13	8.27
91-day Treasury bills	6.75	6.79	7.56
182-day Treasury bills	6.87	6.90	7.40
1-year Treasury bills	6.90	6.90	7.13
3-year Treasury notes	7.39	7.36	7.70
7-year Treasury notes	7.96	7.91	7.79
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.24	8.19	7.86
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.60	8.60	8.59
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.55	9.45	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.61	8.57	8.71

GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.93	8.90	8.80
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.14	9.08	9.06
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.12	9.10	9.05

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 306.78, low 305.09, close 306.49, off 0.16.

There was no change in the average share price.

Volume 14,000,000 shares, compared with 14, 790,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	13
New Lows	46
Advances	258
Declines	323
Unchanged	299
Total Issues	880

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks -	14,000,000 shares
1990 to date -	3,265,785,040
Bonds -	$6,090,000
1990 to date -	$747,766,000

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Stocks closed narrowly mixed in active trading Thursday after recovering from an early selloff tied to news of the Soviet foreign minister's resignation.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which closed unchanged Wednesday, edged up

2.73 to close at 2629.46.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index lost 0.06 to 180.29. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 0.08 to 330.12. The price of an average share fell one cent.

Declines led advances 819-719 among the 2,040 issues crossing the Big Board tape. Volume totaled 174,700,000 shares, down from 180,380,000 traded Wednesday.

Stocks opened sharply lower, with the Dow down more than 25 points within the first 15 minutes of trading, after news that Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, the architect of Mikhail Gorbachev's foreign policy that freed Eastern Europe and ended the Cold War, had resigned to protest conservative attacks and warn of the danger of an "impending dictatorship."

Gorbachev condemned the decision of his close ally and said he had not been consulted before Shevardnadze's surprise announcement at the Congress of People's Deputies, which voted 1,540-52 to ask Shevardnadze to reconsider.

Presidential spokesman Vitaly Ignatenko said Shevardnadze indicated to Gorbachev after the speech he would stay at the Foreign Ministry long enough to allow a smooth transition, but Shevardnadze aide and Foreign Ministry spokesman Vitaly Churkin said the decision to resign was "final."

But the market gradually recovered with the blue chips edging into the plus column. In the broad market, while most stocks were still lower, the margin of declines over advances had narrowed to a slim one at the close.

"We came back like gangbusters," said Dennis Jarrett, chief market strategist at Kidder, Peabody & Co. "The market's just not ready to go down. People have not yet found a sufficient negative catalyst to make them cash in their chips."

While the news from the Soviet Union was certainly negative at the opening, Jarrett said "it just wasn't enough to really upset people, even though it showed instability."

He also noted some seasonal pressures at work in the market, specifically money managers who don't want to show as much cash at the end of the year as they may have held throughout the year. "So they use any weakness to place some of that in select stocks. Today it was more in the Dow than across the board," he said.

On the trading floor, Manufacturers Hanover was the most active issue, up 1 5/8 to 24 1/8. AT&T followed, off 7/8 to 30 3/8. BankAmerica was third, up 1 3/8 to 28 as banks rallied in the wake of the Federal Reserve's discount rate cut Tuesday.

IBM gained one to 113 3/4, also in active trading as did Citicorp, up 1/2 to 13 3/4.

Among the other blue chips, General Electric gained 7/8 to 57 1/2, Philip Morris rose 3/8 to 51 3/8 and American Express lost 3/4 to 21 1/2.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 215,474,160 shares, compared with 220,666,630 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index lost 0.16 to close at 306.49. Declines led advances 322-258 among the 882 issues traded. The price of an average share was unchanged. Composite volume totaled 16,940,410 shares vs. 17,565,400 traded Wednesday. Energy Service led the Amex issues, off 1/8 to 2 1/2.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 1.07 to 372.29.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Thursday:

Market Value	306.49	off 0.16
High Technology	329.52	up 0.32
Capital Goods	332.83	off 0.60
Consumer Goods	394.06	off 2.12
Service	726.96	up 1.27
Retail	1,019.20	up 2.53
Financial	354.20	up 1.23
Natural Resources	212.33	off 0.36
Housing-Const-Land	232.05	off 1.00

There was no change in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	413.66	off 1.39
Mid Atlantic	424.59	up 1.79
No Central	404.04	off 2.84
So Atlantic	886.00	up 2.35
So Central	299.89	off 2.33
Mountain	110.64	up 0.92
Pacific	355.48	off 0.17
Foreign	211.45	off 0.09

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals

100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	372.68	367.87	372.30	up 1.08
Industrial	403.80	397.87	403.45	up 1.49
Finance	360.26	357.05	359.91	up 0.66
Insurance	451.29	447.79	449.00	off 1.00
Utility	485.21	476.53	483.59	up 2.57
Bank	254.97	252.22	253.51	off 1.54
Transport	415.87	411.82	414.07	off 1.55

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	164.44	up 0.49
Industrial Index	161.23	up 0.61
NASDAQ-100 Index	403.03	up 2.20
(largest non-fin'cl)		
Average price per share	8.35	up 0.02
Volume	132,020,600	shares
Advances	800	
Declines	793	
Unchanged	1,179	
Total	2,772	

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hth	6850	off 20
Wlwrth pfA	176	up 9
TRW pfB	158	up 8
UTelc pf	68	up 3 1/2
Matsushita El	120 3/4	off 3 1/4
Hsehld pfD	79 7/8	up 2 7/8
Xerox pfA	44	up 2 3/4
Captl Cities	465 3/4	off 2 3/4
Hitachi	83	off 2 1/2
Honeywell	88 1/8	off 2 3/8

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MOSCOW (UPI) - Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, architect of Mikhail

Gorbachev's ''new thinking'' that freed Eastern Europe and ended the Cold War, resigned Thursday to protest attacks from conservatives who, he warned, are seeking a dictatorship.

Gorbachev condemned his close ally's decision and said he had not been consulted before the suprise announcement at the Congress of People's Deputies which voted 1,540-52 to ask Shevardnadze to reconsider.

''Such a step as he took, without consultation with the president, I personally condemn,'' Gorbachev said. ''Moreover, I will tell you directly that I had reached a point in my plans where I was ready to recommend comrade Shevardnadze for (the new post of) vice president...

''Now is perhaps the most difficult time, and to leave now is unforgiveable.''

Shevardnadze made his dramatic announcement at a time when Gorbachev is seeking expanded powers as part of a government overhaul he says is needed to stave off economic and political disaster.

Gorbachev supported the measure asking Shevardnadze to reconsider and indicated he would still like the white-haired minister's services.

''Even after everything I said, I do not want you or me to think now that Shevardnadze is being written off, that he is going down in history,'' Gorbachev told lawmakers.

Gorbachev said he and Shevardnadze spoke twice by phone after the resignation announcement, and that the two men had ''agreed to meet, sit down and discuss everything.''

Presidential spokesman Vitaly Ignatenko said that Shevardnadze indicated to Gorbachev he would remain in his post long enough to allow a smooth transition but Foreign Ministry spokesman Vitaly Churkin said the decision to resign was ''final.''

''I consider it my duty as a man, as a citizen and as a Communist,'' Shevardnadze told lawmakers. ''I cannot reconcile myself to all the events that are occurring in our country, and all the trials that are awaiting our people.''

Shevardnadze, saying, ''I am his friend and we think alike,'' expressed the ''deepest thanks'' to Gorbachev.

''I support now and I will support to the end of my days the ideals of perestroika, the idea of the renewal of our society, the idea of democratization,'' Shevardndaze said. ''We accomplished marvels.''

Gorbachev urged deputies to ''confirm before our people and before the world

community ... our strategy to normalize international relations,'' and the legislature's resolution declared that Soviet foreign policy will not change.

In Washington, Secretary of State James Baker bemoaned Shevardnadze's decision to resign but said he is confident that the Soviets' stance abroad will remain constructive.

''I am proud to call this man a friend,'' Baker said of Shevardnadze. ''I think that we achieved some significant things during the 23 months we were able to work together, and on a purely personal note I would have to tell you that I'm going to miss him.''

In his brief emotional speech, Shevardnadze said he was ''deeply hurt'' by the personal attacks from critics of his conciliatory foreign policy in Eastern Europe, the Persian Gulf and other regions.

Even more important than the personal attacks, Shevardnadze said, is the threat from ''reactionary'' forces that are meeting little resistance as they move against the ideals of perestroika.

''I say to you, comrade democrats, in the broadest sense of the word you ran off,'' he said. ''The reformers have fled to the bushes.''

Shevardnadze made it clear he was not imputing Gorbachev in warning of a return to the authoritarian system that ruled the country for six decades.

''No one knows what kind of dicatatorship it will be and who will come to power, who will be the dictator and what kind of regime it will be,'' Shevardnadze said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	180.59	178.90	180.32	off 0.03
Industrial	222.75	221.09	222.64	off 0.04
Transport	142.02	140.56	141.62	off 0.37
Utility	91.79	91.48	91.74	off 0.41
Finance	123.81	122.24	123.75	up 0.49

Equivalent to a loss of 1 cent in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 174,700,000 shares.

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#90354u1471 12/20/1990 ~United Press International
RENO, NV (DEC. 20) UPI - The UNLV Running Rebels, having finally settled with the NCAA on a case dating back 13 years, Thursday revealed 29 new charges leveled against the basketball program.

The rule violations were uncovered in a three-year investigation made public by the Chancellor's Office of the University of Nevada system in Reno covering the 1985-1989 seasons and UNLV's involvement with controversial recruit Lloyd Daniels.

Among the NCAA charges were illegal payments of hotel and lodging bills, the illegal use of telephones and telephone credit cards, the use of an illegal ''agent'' to recruit players, the paying of a $1500 bail bond and the illegal tutoring of two athletes.

The names of those accused by the NCAA were deleted from the report by the Chancellor's Office in accordance with Nevada state public record laws. However, Coach Jerry Tarkanian's name reportedly does not appear in the report.

The NCAA, which earlier this year agreed to allow UNLV to defer a one-year probation until the 1992-93 season so the Rebels could defend their national title this year, asked in the letter of inquiry for the university to supply it within 60 days with specific information regarding the charges.

The college athletic governing body, in a foreboding move, asked UNLV also to supply its won-loss record for the past four seasons, a list of the number of athletic scholarships the university gave out from 1987- 1990, a list of the players the program has redshirted over that span and a copy of the roster for this year's team.

The charges are the lastest in what appears to be a running feud between the university and the NCAA's enforcement division. UNLV would like to put end to the contentious relationship.

''We've got to settle our differences,'' said UNLV President Robert Maxson, of the Rebels conflict with the NCAA. ''We've got to get out of the adversarial role between the NCAA and the university or we are going to go through this all the time.''

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#90354u1485 12/20/1990 ~United Press International
LOS ANGELES (DEC. 21) UPI - Sales of existing homes in the slumping California market have posted back-to-back monthly increases for the first time since February, a real estate trade group reported Thursday.

The gain in sales for November - 2.6 percent above the October level - may give an indication the real estate market in California, which accounts for nearly a fifth of the nation's home sales, may be in the process of bottoming out.

October's sales gain, as reported by the California Association of Realtors, had been 2.2 percent.

Still, the November level of sales is 27.4 percent less than that of a year ago. The state's market has been clobbered since early last year, when a two-year boom in housing prices started to fizzle as buyers were priced out of many homes on the market.

But the trade group said Thursday that declines in mortgage rates may push buyers back into the market.

''Mortgage interest rates are at their lowest levels in more than three years, and that's extremely encouraging news,'' said Leslie Appleton-Young, the association's vice president of research and economics. ''Over the long term, buyers should respond positively to improvements in affordability and the favorable interest rate environment.''

Appleton-Young conceded that the Iraqi crisis will continue to hold back potential buyers. ''We will likely see a greater impact from these lower interest rates once the Persian Gulf crisis is resolved and consumer confidence improves,'' Appleton-Young said.

Northern California's wine country and the high desert region in the southern part of the state posted sales gains of 29.5 percent and 4.3 percent, respectively.

But sales declined in Santa Clara (3.3 percent), the San Francisco Bay area (4.9 percent), Orange County (9.7 percent), Los Angeles (20.6 percent) and San Diego (22.6 percent).

The trade group also reported the November median home price increased for the first time in seven months, up 2.2 percent to $192,280 from October's figure.

''November's statewide median home price increase is a promising signal that the housing market may have stabilized,'' said Mack Powell, the association'spresident.

The biggest price increases came in Sacramento, with a 15.5 percent gain, and a 8.7 percent rise in the high desert. The San Francisco Bay area gained 1.3 percent to $250,290 and Santa Clara advanced 1.2 percent to $257,450 - the most expensive regions in the state.

The biggest fall in prices came in Los Angeles, off 3.4 percent to $292,960.

There were also declines in San Diego (1.3 percent) and Orange County (2.1 percent).

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ATLANTA (DEC. 20) UPI - The nation's blood donor supply appears relatively safe from two cousins of the AIDS virus, one of which can cause leukemia and a type of degenerative nerve disorder, federal health officials said Thursday.

Only a very small fraction of blood samples tested for the viruses, known as the human T-lymphotropic virus type 1 and type 2, or HTLV-1 and HTLV-2, produced positive results, the federal Centers for Disease Control said.

The Food and Drug Administration recommended in 1988 that donated blood be screened for the viruses after some samples were found to contain the viruses. The viruses are spread in the same way as the AIDS virus - through blood transfusion, contaminated needles, sexual contact and from a mother to her newborn baby.

The AIDS-causing human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, and the HTLV viruses belong to a family of viruses known as retroviruses because of their genetic machinery.

While HTLV-1 may cause leukemia or lymphoma and a degenerative neurologic disease called tropical spastic paraparesis, a close relative, HTLV-2, has not be conclusively shown to cause any disease, the health agency said.

More than 9 million blood donations were screened by the American Red Cross and the Council of Community Blood Centers in from December 1988 through December 1989.

''It appears that the blood banks are effectively screening out HTLV- 1 and HTLV-2,'' said Dr. Jonathan Kaplan, a medical epidemiologist with the CDC.

Only 0.014 percent and 0.021 percent of the tests were positive for HTLV-1 and HTLV-2 respectively, the CDC said.

The findings indicate the viruses are relatively uncommon in the United States the CDC said.

In addition, fewer positive tests were found in the last quarter of 1989, reflecting the success of blood screening programs aimed at discouraging carriers of the virus from donating, the CDC said.

In general, infection with the HTLV-1 virus correlated with being from or

having had sexual contact with persons from the Caribbean or Japan, the CDC said.

HTLV-2 infection correlated with a history of intravenous drug use or history of sexual contact with an intravenous drug user, the CDC said.

The highest positive rates were in the Pacific region of Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon and Washington, the agency said.

The probability of a person infected with the HTLV-1 virus developing leukemia was between 2 percent and 5 percent and less than 5 percent for developing neurologic disease, Kaplan said.

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ROME (DEC. 20) UPI - The European Community and 10 South American countries plus Mexico signed a ''Rome Declaration'' Thursday covering future political and economic cooperation between the two areas.

The document was signed at a daylong conference held at the Italo- Latin American Institute under the chairmanship of Italian Foreign Minister Gianni De Michelis, who until the end of December is also president of the European Community foreign ministers council.

Taking part were 11 foreign ministers from South American countries and Mexico mainly comprising the Rio Group formed by Mexico, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Venezuela, Paraguay, Uruguay, Bolivia and Ecuador.

The representatives of the 12-nation EC included seven foreign ministers and five undersecretaries of foreign affairs.

The Rome Declaration paralleled a Luxembourg Declaration signed between the EC and Central American countries in 1984.

Conference officials said it was designed largely to offset South American fears that EC concentration on helping the newly democratic countries of Eastern Europe would detract from Europe's interest in South America.

The Rome Declaration was preceded by an EC accord with Chile, which De Michelis said signalled the ''formal recognition'' of Chile's return to democracy.

The Declaration placed political dialogue between the EC and South American signatories on a formal basis, providing for full conferences once a year plus an annual meeting on the fringe of the U.N. General Assembly.

The next full meeting of the 23 ministers was set for April 26-27 in

Luxembourg, which takes over the rotating six-month EC presidency on Jan. 1.

The accord provides for cooperation in broad sectors of economy and trade, in science and technology and also in battling drug production and distribution and terrorism.

The declaration also stresses the importance of the principles of democratic rights and respect for human rights and social justice.

It underlines the importance of promoting an open and more productive international economy, with particular attention to the interests of less developed countries.

The EC undertakes to cooperate with the efforts of the South American partners to achieve more modern economic structures and more efficient administration. The South American countries pledge to make every effort to solve the problem of their huge foreign debt.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - Assets of the nation's 532 money market mutual funds rose by $856.2 million to $428.86 billion in the week ended Wednesday, according to the Investment Company Institute, a research arm of the U.S. mutual fund industry.

Elsewhere, two other financial reporting organizations said average yields on money-market mutual funds were lower, while deposit and lending rates at U.S. savings and loan institutions were mostly in decline.

The Investment Company Institute said broker-dealer fund assets declined by $19.1 million to $166.12 billion, assets of general purpose funds fell by $14.2 million to $150.64 billion, and institutional fund assets increased by $889.5 million to $112.10 billion.

"Continuing the pattern of recent weeks, assets of institutional money market funds continued to rise briskly, while the combined assets of general purpose and broker-dealer funds barely changed," said Jacob Dreyer, vice president and chief economist of the institute, located in Washington.

"Small and erratic changes in assets owned by individuals are rather typical for the pre-Christmas season," he said. "On the other hand, recent increases in institutional assets are not a seasonal phenomenon but rather a reflection of the desire by institutional investors to lock in the relatively attractive money market yields."

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds to the

Federal Reserve Board each week.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven-day simple yields were 7.17 percent, down from 7.22 percent, while 30-day simple yields were also lower at 7.23 percent, vs. 7.28 percent last week. The average maturity of fund portfolios fell to 52 days from 53 days.

The Bank Rate Monitor in North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.79 percent, down from 5.80 percent; Super-Now accounts, 4.93 percent, off from 4.94 percent; six-month certificates of deposit, 7.14 percent, down from 7.23 percent; 1-year CDs, 7.19 percent, down from 7.29 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.31 percent, off from 7.39 percent; and five-year CDs, 7.53 percent, off from 7.62 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 7.92 percent, unchanged from the previous week.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage was unchanged at 9.21 percent. The average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage moved up to 9.48 percent from 9.47 percent the previous week.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan fell to 12.26 percent from 12.27 percent the previous week.

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#90354u1528 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (DEC. 20) UPI - The Yugoslav government Thursday temporarily banned state-operated banks from selling foreign currency to citizens except in special cases, and limited the amount Yugoslavs may carry abroad in German marks to about $700.

The order was forced by an unrelenting demand for foreign currency provoked by the nation's political crisis, said a statement issued after a session of the Cabinet of reformist Prime Minister Ante Markovic.

As a result, there has been a major drain of foreign cash from the problem-plagued, politically manipulated Yugoslav banking system, threatening the country's foreign exchange reserves, the statement said.

The reserves had been pegged at $9.5 billion in October, but this week were put at $8.2 billion.

''Noting that the political situation seriously endangers the banking system and erodes foreign currency reserves, the government has passed as temporary decisions ... regulations for easing the acute insolvency of banks and regulating the situation on the foreign currency market,'' the statement said.

It said the cash crunch was also the result of free-wheeling speculative foreign currency transactions by state-owned enterprises and citizens.

''The government assessed, especially negatively, an ever-growing number of speculative foreign currency transactions on the part of some economic organizations and citizens, as well as the transfer aboard of national capital '' the statement said.

It said that until the requisite economic reforms are enacted next year, the federal government is prohibiting Yugoslavia's state-operated banks from selling foreign exchange to citizens ''except in exceptional cases,'' which it did not define.

''At the same time, and also temporarily, it (the government) limited the transfer of foreign currency out of the country over the sum of 1, 000 German marks,'' the statement said.

In another temporary step, the National Bank of Yugoslavia, the country's central bank, will sell foreign currency to banks that have to make payments on foreign credits, the statement said. Safeguarding Yugoslavia's foreign reserves is crucial to the success of sweeping economic reforms implemented by Markovic in January as part of a program aimed at transforming Yugoslavia from 45 years of communism into a Western-style free-market democracy.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	9.00	9.65
Anchor Fund Inv	14.33	15.20
Delaware Mutual	16.37	17.55
Fidelity Fund	16.67	16.67
Investor Mutual	11.28	11.88
Investor Stocks	18.58	19.55
Investor Select	8.50	8.95
IDS Equity Plus	9.03	9.51
MFS Growth Stk	8.97	9.67
Nicholas Income	3.09	3.09
Utd Accumulated	6.01	6.57
United Income	16.52	18.05
Vang Wellington	16.21	16.21

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NEW YORK (DEC. 20) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Thursday was 460.65, up 0.05 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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#90354u1571 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

UNITED NATIONS (DEC. 20) UPI - The U.N. Security Council adopted unanimously Thursday a resolution deploring Israel's decision to deport Palestinians and calling for a meeting of the Geneva convention to draw up measures to protect inhabitants in Israeli-occupies West Bank and Gaza strip.

The resolution, which climaxed weeks of negotiation, did not, however, include a call for an international conference on Middle East peace. The council's president, Yemeni Ambassador Abdalla Al-Ashtal, urged a peace conference in a separate statement at the beginning of the council session.

The council adopted the resolution with a 15-0 vote.

The resolution deplored the Israeli decision to resume deportations of Palestinians suspected of inciting violent demonstrations in the West Bank and Gaza strip.

It asked Israel to accept the applicability of the fourth Geneva convention of 1949 and to apply its provisions to ''all the territories'' occupied since 1967. It said Jerusalem is part of the occupied territories.

Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar was asked to consult with the International Committee of the Red Cross to develop the idea of convening the 164 signatories of the Geneva convention and to discuss measures to protect Palestinians in the occupied territories.

The council asked Perez de Cuellar to ''monitor and observe'' the situation regarding Palestinian civilians and to use U.N. personnel in the occupied territories to carry out his assignment.

Perez de Cuellar said last month he would send his senior aide on Middle East affairs, Jean-Claude Aimee, to Israel to hold talks with Israeli officials on the Palestinian issue.

The U.N. leader was also invited by the Israeli government to visit that country in January.

Israeli ambassador to the United Nations Yoram Aridor rejected the resolution, calling it ''biased and unbalanced.''

''The millions slaughtered during the 41 years since the fourth Geneva convention was codified did not enjoy similar treatment by the council,'' Aridor said.

In Jerusalem, Israeli officials called the resolution one-sided.

''We express regret over the adoption of the resolution which lacks any balance and ignores the facts on the ground,'' said Avi Pazner, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's spokesman. ''For example, it does not mention that over the last few weeks no less than seven Jews were stabbed to death by Arab terrorists.''

Israel's Foreign Ministry said in a statement read on the evening Israel Television news program that it was dissatisfied by the ''one- sided decision, which is not calculated to promote a peace process or to bring about a relaxation of tension or to make negotiations possible, and instead which encourages aggression and violence.''

U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering complained that some elements were not included in the resolution.

''The council ought to be willing to say to the Palestinians that any use of violence to achieve their ends is plain wrong,'' Pickering said. ''We lament the continued violence, particularly in Israel, where innocent people have been the victims of numerous stabbings.''

But he said, ''Our vote today in no way indicates a change in the United States policy on any issue related to the Arab-Israeli conflict.''

Al-Ashtal's presidential statement said the Middle East conference should be held ''at an appropriate time, (and be) properly structured'' to bring a negotiated settlement to the Arab-Israeli conflict.

''However, the members of the council are of the view that there is not unanimity as to when would be the appropriate time for such a conference.''

''In the view of the members of the council, the Arab-Isaeli conflict is important and unique, and must be addressed independently, on its own merits '' it said.

Washington lately opposed the Middle East conference, fearing that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would exploit it to link withdrawal of his troops from Kuwait with the resolution of the Arab-Israeli issue.

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#90354u1585 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 20) UPI - Secretary of State Baker says he believes Soviet President Gorbachev when he says his nation's foreign policy will NOT change with the resignation of Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze . The resignation stunned the world this morning, and Baker says the Soviet leader's warning that the

U-S-S-R is heading toward dictatorship must be taken seriously.

In Paris, the French foreign minister said the Shevardnadze resignation must be taken as what he termed ''a cry of alarm.'' And the German foreign minister told reporters that the West should read the action as a warning to give more support to reformers in the Soviet Union.

Shevardnadze announced his resignation to the Congress of People's Deputies meeting in Moscow, saying he was protesting conservative criticism of his work and warning the deputies that another dictatorship could be approaching. Shevardnadze later agreed to stay on for a transition period to a new foreign minister.

President-elect Lech Walesa is proposing retention of the old government of Poland until parliamentary elections next spring... or even postponing the elections for a year while a caretaker administration governs. Walesa is facing a growing governmental crisis in Warsaw and made his proposals in a statement distributed to Western news agencies.

President Bush told a congressional delegation today that he has ''crossed the Rubicon'' on the question of using force, if necessary, to drive Iraq out of Kuwait after the January 15th U-N deadline. But at the same time, the White House says Bush has NOT made a final decision on whether to send massive military forces into battle in the Persian Gulf.

Republican Representative Herbert Bateman of Virginia says the car he used to haul some fertilizer a few days ago set off a bomb scare at the White House today. A bomb-sniffing German shepherd dog raised a ruckus about Bateman's car when it was parked within the White House compound. Bateman referred to the alarm as ''great fun,'' but it resulted in a full traffic shutdown at the White House while a security officer searched the vehicle.

Parking in a spot reserved for handicapped drivers proved to be the downfall of a couple of drug-dealing suspects in Los Angeles. Authorities say the two were spotted in a handicapped slot last night. Officers found half-a-pound of marijuana in the car, then searched a nearby hotel room, finding a woman... 73-thousand dollars in cash... two more pounds of marijuana... five pounds of methamphetamine, and a loaded revolver. The woman also is being held.

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(DEC. 20) - The Pentagon warned Thursday that U.S.-led forces could mount an attack against Iraq by Jan. 15 if necessary, and President Bush was quoted as saying that if he orders an offensive, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would get ''his ass kicked.''

Turkey, meanwhile, reportedly asked its NATO allies for reinforcements to

guard against a possible strike by Iraq. Military sources say Iraqi troops have been sent to the Turkish border.

In Baghdad, Iraqi officials said they would prepare war by conducting test blackouts of the capital, air raid drills and a trial evacuation of a section of the city, Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported.

U.S. officials addressed the question of U.S. readiness Thursday a day after a senior military leader said American forces would not be ready to fight for at least a month after the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait or face military force.

Lt. Gen. Calvin A.H. Waller, second in command of U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, told reporters Wednesday that not all American forces in the region would be ready by Jan. 15.

At the Pentagon, spokesman Bob Hall danced around the readiness question Thursday, but noted air units both on land and on sea ''are clearly ready.''

''The general (Waller) was talking about the total package. That's different from being ready for offensive operations. We can do offensive operations now. The question is, would you want to?'' Hall said.

Hall said Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney, who is consulting with U. S. commanders in Saudi Arabia, would not reach any conclusions about readiness until his departure.

''We will obviously have added a good bit of offensive option by Jan. 15th,'' Hall said. ''When the whole package will be in place, all the different possibilities, all the different elements, I can't say. I just won't discuss that kind of complete picture in terms of timing.''

Bush told a group of congressmen Thursday the best way to avoid war with Iraq is for Saddam to realize he is ''going to get his ass kicked'' in an armed confrontation, said Rep. Elton Gallegly, R-Calif.

Rep. George ''Buddy'' Darden, D-Ga., reported that Bush also said he has ''crossed the Rubicon'' on using force as an option to drive Iraq from Kuwait, but White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said the president has not decided if military action will be necessary.

Fitzwater acknowledged that Bush told the lawmakers he had ''come to terms in his own mind on the use of force (as an option) a long time ago.''

Fitzwater also addressed the remarks made by Waller, saying with a smile, ''It never hurts to build a little uncertainty'' into the strategy.

''We think it's not necessarily bad to have a little mystery. We believe our

forces are ready whenever they are called upon. They are ready now in terms of service and mission. They are ready for a test,'' said Fitzwater.

In Ankara, the official Houriyat newspaper said Turkey had asked NATO for 5,000 troops and 54 aircraft to guard its 125-mile border with Iraq. It said Turkish officials wanted to create a shield that would include 1,000 Turkish troops.

Turkey has been a staunch supporter of U.S.-led efforts to oust Iraq from Kuwait, cutting off a vital Iraqi oil pipeline that runs across its territory during the first days of the U.N.-imposed economic embargo against Baghdad.

In other developments Thursday:

-Iranian President President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani was quoted by the official Iranian news agency IRNA as saying the possiblity of war was high and there was ''little likelihood'' Iraq would leave Kuwait at the last minute.

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TIRANA, Albania (DEC. 20) UPI - The widow of the architect of Communist Albania Thursday resigned as head of the nation's main Communist Party front organization in what appeared to be a move to allow fresh blood into the Marxist regime as it faces unprecedented political challenges.

Nexhmije Hoxha's position as head of the Democratic Front was taken by Adil Carcani, who tendered his immediate resignation as prime minister. No replacement was named by President Ramiz Alia.

In another development in the tiny Balkan nation's political crisis, members of the 9-day-old Democratic Party, its first legal opposition group, criticized the authorities' handling of anti-regime riots in major towns last week, accusing police in Elbasan of torturing demonstrators taken into custody.

Hoxha, 69, announcing her decision to resign in a speech to a meeting of the Democratic Front, said she would continue working for the good of the ruling Albanian Party of Labor. The front serves as an umbrella group for other party-affiliated organizations.

''What makes me withdraw today is age. I am nearly 70,'' Mrs. Hoxha said in her address, the text of which was carried by the official news agency.

She is the widow of Enver Hoxha, the hard-line Marxist who in 1944 established what was Europe's most repressive police state behind borders of minefields and barbed wire fences, leading it through self- imposed isolation until his death in 1985.

He was succeeded by Alia, who earlier this year implemented a program of gradual reforms that culminated last week in his agreement to permit independent political parties, which will be allowed to contest Feb. 23 elections for the national Parliament.

Alia also ousted seven anti-reform members of the party politburo, and although in her speech, Hoxha praised the president as ''far- sighted'' and pledged to support his program, she too has long been regarded as a doctrinaire Marxist opposed to altering her late husband's political legacy.

In her address, Mrs. Hoxha appeared to acknowlege the frustration and anger among the nation's youth with Marxism and Albania's dire economic problems, calling on the front to ensure that it remains in step with their aspirations.

''It is a natural right for the people, and especially the youth, to dream and aim for a better and more cultured life, to march ahead with the pace of time and the whole of mankind,'' she said. ''But the greatest misfortune for a nation, and moreover for a small nation such as ours, would be the division of the generations.''

Hoxha and Carcani, who also spoke to the meeting, both referred to the Nov. 15-16 riots, which erupted after anti-government demonstrations by workers, who apparently believed Alia's Dec. 10 decision to permit independent political parties signalled a willingness to tolerate dissent.

Carcani, regarded as an Alia loyalist, called the protesters ''hooligans ... who rightfully demand ... severe punishment.''

State-run Tirana Radio said 26 of a reported 172 people arrested in the violence had been sentenced to jail terms ranging from 11 years to 20 years.

Azem Hajdari, 28, a student leader of the Democratic Party detailed allegations of police torture, saying the parents of youths arrested in Elbasan told him their sons bore bruises and scars from beatings.

A newly formed human rights group of writers and academics planned to investigate the claims and review the regime's human rights record.

''A proper investigation into human rights has been coming,'' said Arben Puto, a university professor.

Albania has long been accused of severe human rights violations, but Alia pledged to observe international human rights accords as part of his reform effort. Estimates put the number of political prisoners at nearly 1,000.

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#90354u1608 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (DEC. 20) UPI - Officials discounted threats by striking workers to shut off the country's communication system Thursday, saying strikers would have to break through police lines to succeed.

''The possibility that we will be without communication services is, I think, remote to impossible,'' said Ernesto Robleto, vice minister of Communications.

Police on Wednesday removed striking Sandinista telecommunication workers from government telephone buildings in Managua. The workers momentarily interrupted service, Robleto said.

Telecommunication workers in the capital were joining a strike begun 15 days ago by their counterparts in eastern Nicaragua to demand higher pay.

Some strike leaders have been arrested on charges of sabotage and threatening state security.

Telecommunication workers, affiliated with the main Sandinista labor union, cut off telephone service during similar strikes in July and September.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday that the basic U.S. money supply, known as M1, rose $1.6 billion in the latest reporting week. The broader monetary aggregate M2 increased $8.3 billion, and the broadest measure of all, M3, gained $11.8 billion.

M1, including cash, checking accounts and NOW accounts - money available for immediate spending - increased to a seasonally adjusted average of $820.4 billion in the week ended Dec. 10, from a revised $818.8 billion the week before.

Over the past 13 weeks, M1 averaged $821.5 billion, up 4.2 percent from its average over the previous 13-week period, the central bank said.

The more broadly defined M2 averaged an estimated $3,318.0 billion in the latest week, ahead from a revised $3,309.7 billion. M2 includes M1 plus passbook savings, small time deposits such as money market deposit accounts, consumer money market mutual funds and other short-term assets.

M3, defined as M2 plus large time deposits, securities repurchase agreements longer than one day at banks and thrifts, and institutional money market funds averaged $4,087.2 billion in the latest week, up from a revised $4,075.4 billion, the Fed said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - Home mortgage rates could fall to near 9 percent by next spring, their lowest level since early 1987, an economist with the Federal National Mortgage Association, known as Fannie Mae, said Thursday.

David W. Berson, chief economist, said the lower rates and an expected renewal of consumer confidence could begin to revive the single-family housing market beginning next summer.

Berson, who spoke at a year-end briefing on the housing industry, said interest rates on 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages would decline to nearly 9 percent as a result of lower inflation and easing of monetary policy by the Federal Reserve Board.

Although home sales will remain sluggish through the first part of the year, Berson said he expects enough of an increase during second- half 1991 to bring total home sales close to this year's level.

He said, however, that starts of new housing units would continue to be weak, falling to 1.12 million units from 1.20 million units in 1990.

''The housing sector will have to see more homes being sold on a sustained basis before beginning new construction,'' he said. ''Stronger home sales in the second half of next year could lead to higher housing starts in 1992.''

Single-family mortgage originations should climb by more than 7 percent in 1991, Berson said.

''This rise, coming on the heels of an estimated 3 percent drop in 1990, will result from stronger home sales in the second half of the year and a faster pace of mortgage refinancings. Borrowers will take advantage of the lowest interest rates in four years,'' he said.

However, even if an industry recovery begins by mid-year, Berson said significant regional variations in housing markets would continue.

If consumer confidence does not rebound, or if depository institution lending is curtailed significantly, the current slowdown could be more prolonged and more pronounced.

Another Fannie Mae official said mortgage funds will be abundant for lenders and home buyers next year, despite the current difficult economic environment.

Fannie Mae is a congressionally chartered, shareholder-owned company and the nation's largest investor in home mortgages.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - The Resolution Trust Corp., the financing vehicle for the savings and loan bailout, said Thursday it held its largest sale to date of mortgage-backed securities inherited from failed thrifts, moving investments worth an original $883 million out of government hands.

The RTC said the sale, involving 14 securities dealers, was of Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. 9 percent securities with an original face value of $341 million and Government National Mortgage Association 8 1/2 percent securities for $542 million.

The RTC did not disclose actual receipts for the sale.

The sale was carried out by the RTC's capital markets branch, whose job is to dispose of financial assets inherited from failed thrifts. Since its creationlast March, the branch has disposed of some $16.8 billion in securities through sales, the RTC said.

The federally chartered RTC was created in August 1989 through congressional passage of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act, the formal name of the S&L bailout bill.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) UPI - The Bush administration, without required congressional approval, appears to be using anti-drug aid in South America as a cover to help fight rebel forces, a House panel charged Thursday.

The House Government Operations Committee concluded in a study that the administration's overall anti-drug strategy in Colombia, Bolivia and Peru is ineffective, misguided and dangerous and should be redirected.

In a scathing 102-page report, the panel said effective controls must be implemented to ensure that counter-narcotics assistance is not used to to help host nations battle insurgents.

It also recommended that the focus of the strategy be shifted from law enforcement to placing a greater emphasis on developing an alternative crop program for thousands of peasant farmers who now grow coca that is turned into cocaine.

The House committee oversees federal anti-drug efforts, which includes the administration's two-year-old, $261 million Andean Inititiative.

The strategy seeks to disrupt cocaine production and trafficking in Colombia, Bolivia and Peru through crop eradication, interdiction and law enforcement.

Members of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration are being used to help coordinate strikes against clandestine cocaine laboratories and coca fields.

''One of the committee's most significant and alarming findings is that our government might be giving drug aid as a smokescreen to block insurgencies,'' said committee chairman Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich.

''If the State Department wants to fight guerrillas, it knows how to come and ask for counter-insurgency funds. It is not our job to use our military might disguised as anti-drug assistance,'' Conyers said.

His panel concluded in its report, ''United States Anti-Narcotic Activities in the Andean Region,'' that the administration's strategy is hampered by poor management, coordination and oversight.

Virtually all of the world's cocaine is produced in Colombia, Peru and Bolivia. The United States is the biggest cocaine consumer.

Last February, President Bush and the leaders of the three other countries held an anti-drug summit in Cartagena, Columbia, where they vowed to increase joint efforts to combat narco-trafficers.

The House panel said, however, ''The single greatest obstactle to the operational effectiveness of Andean counter-narcotics efforts may be the lack of political will and or ability among the host countries.''

The panel also found that the administration's strategy ''reflects a largely military and law enforcement response to deep-rooted and diverse economic problems.''

Conyers said in a statement: ''My greatest concern is that we have non-military U.S. agencies and personnel conducting paramilitary activities, particularly in the Upper Huallaga Valley in Peru.''

He noted that on April 7, an estimated 200 guerrillas attacked the anti-drug police base at Peru's Santa Lucia. In an ensuing gun battle, U.S. pilots flew helicopter gunships and DEA agents returned automatic weapon fire.

''What are DEA agents doing coordinating the military operations of foreign troops?'' Conyers asked rhetorically. ''Clearly, we are overstepping our capacity as 'advisers.'''

There are four main rebel groups in Colombia, the biggest, is M-19 while the main insurgency in Peru is the Shining Path. There is no organized rebel group in Bolivia, but there has been mounting signs that one may soon be formed.

Conyers said, ''The State Department has told Congress that 'it is inevitable that counter-narcotics activities will at times require counter-insurgency

efforts.'''

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#90354u1678 12/20/1990 ~United Press International
DETROIT (DEC. 21) UPI - At least 47,000 hourly workers at U.S. and Canadian assembly plants operated by General Motors Corp. and Chrysler Corp. will have their holiday vacations extended into mid-January, those automakers said Thursday.

At least 18 of GM and Chrysler's North American vehicle assembly plants will remain closed following the holiday week in late December, as those automakers strive to keep inventories in line with slower sales into the new year.

A Ford Motor Co. spokeswoman said all of the No. 2 carmaker's North American plants would resume operation Jan. 2 with the exception of its St. Thomas, Ontario, plant, which will start building its all-new full- sized sedans in mid-January.

But Ford is expected to announce in early January several temporary plant closings as it too deals with a shortage of dealer orders.

The plant idlings at the nation's top carmakers come on top of widespread closures this month in efforts to trim stockpiles. At least 30 U.S. and Canadian plants have been or are currently shuttered, as automakers slash fourth quarter production dramatically.

Thousands of workers at component and supplier plants also feel the brunt of these closures, as they too are temporarily idled.

While information on GM's three Canadian car assembly locations was not immediately available, various GM divisions in the United States said at least 13 of its 34 North American assembly plants would be idled into the first two weeks of January. They include:

- Detroit Assembly (400 workers).

- Detroit/Hamtramck (2,900).

- Fairfax (Kansas City, Kan.) (3,000).

- Flint (Mich.) Truck (2,300).

- Fort Wayne (Ind.) Truck (2,600)

- Lansing B (Mich.) (3,600).

- Linden (N.J.) (1,900).

- Lordstown (Ohio) Van (1,200).

- North Tarrytown (N.Y.) (3,300).

- Oklahoma City (Okla.) (5,000).

- Pontiac (Mich.) East Truck (3,200)

- Van Nuys (Calif.) (3,300).

GM's Wilmington, Del., plant, which employs 3,400 workers, will be idled the week of Jan. 2 but resume operations Jan. 7, company spokesman Phil Workman said.

In the United States, Chrysler's Jeep plant in Toledo and its St. Louis No. 1 car plant in Fenton, Mo., will be idled the first three weeks of January to reduce unsold inventories. Toledo has 4,500 workers; St. Louis I has 1,600 workers.

Chrysler's Sterling Heights, Mich., assembly plant will remain closed until Jan. 28. That plant employs 2,300 workers.

In Canada, Chrysler will idle its Pillette Road large van plant in Windsor, Ontario, until Jan. 28. Its Brampton, Ontario Jeep plant will be idled the weeks of Jan. 14 and 21.

Pillette has 1,800 workers, while Brampton has 1,000 workers, company spokesman Walter McCall said.

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VANCOUVER, Wash. (DEC. 20) UPI - Mount St. Helens erupted Thursday, sending a plume of ash 23,000 feet into the air in the third eruption of its kind in as many months.

The eruption occurred at 12:59 p.m., and the ash cloud that shot into the air could be seen for miles because of clear skies brought on by an arctic cold front hovering over the state, said Steven Brantley, of the U.S. Geological Survey's office in Vancouver, about 40 miles southwest of the mountain.

''I haven't heard of any reports of ash having reached the ground, but I can look out my window and see a long, thin cloud that probably originated at the mountain,'' Brantley said.

The University of Washington Geophysics Laboratory in Seattle, which maintains several monitors around the volcano, reported minor seismic activity - small

earthquakes - around the mountain for at least two to three hours after the blast.

Scientists reported two other similar events in the past two months: one involving back-to-back eruptions Oct. 25 and 26, and an eruption Nov. 5 that sent an ash plume about 30,000 feet in the air.

The Federal Aviation Administration reported Thursday's ash plume reached about 23,000 feet, Brantley said.

Mount St. Helens exploded in a spectacular eruption May 18, 1980, destroying hundreds of square miles of forest, sending an ash plume around the world, and killing at least 36 people. Another 21 people were never found.

The 1980 eruption reduced the mountain from an elevation of 9,677 feet to its current height crater rim height of 8,363 feet.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 20) UPI - Pentagon officials Thursday lauded Japan's new five-year defense budget and said Japan, in additon to increasing its share of the defense burden, will be buying fancy U.S. weaponry.

While the defense budgets of other nations are shrinking, Japan's 1991-1995 budget will rise three percent and its plan includes the purchase of four U.S.-built AWACs radar surveillance planes, two additional cruisers equipped with the Aegis defense system and the introduction of the multiple launch rocket system.

The Pentagon said by 1995 Japan will be paying an additional $600 million a year toward the cost of keeping U.S. forces in Japan by assuming the cost of all utilities and labor.

The total savings to the United States will be $1.7 billion over the five years.

Japan, the department said, will be providing more than half the cost of maintaining U.S. forces there by fiscal 1995, up from the current figure of about 40 percent. If the salaries of the U.S. forces are excluded, Japan's contribution will amount to more than 70 percent of the cost of maintaining U.S. forces in Japan.

''This initiative on the part of Japan is very much welcomed and appreciated '' the agency said in a statement.

U.S. forces in Japan have a regional role, and many of the forces, including the USS Midway carrier battle group, are in Southwest Asia in support of

Desert Shield.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 20) UPI - The California Supreme Court Thursday agreed to tackle the constitutionality of college athlete drug testing under the nationwide random testing system adopted by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

Four justices, the minimum vote needed, agreed to take up the NCAA appeal seeking to reinstate the program declared an unconstitutional invasion of privacy under California's state constitution.

The NCAA has asked the court to outline the proper legal standard for determining whether a drug testing program violates California's constitutional privacy provisions.

The NCAA also maintains the state is excluded from passing on the legality of the testing program under the federal constitution's commerce clause.

The organization argues that under the California ruling it will have to abandon its nationwide testing plan or comply with the standards of the strictest state. It maintains that one state cannot dictate standards to 49 other states under federal constitutional guarantees.

A San Jose-based state appeal court declared the NCAA program illegal and forbid the NCAA from testing student athletes at Stanford University, where the lawsuit began.

The controvery erupted in January 1987 when Stanford University diver Simone LeVant challenged the right of the NCAA to test college divers who had no history of drug abuse.

A restraining order was issued against the NCAA. LeVant was allowed to compete in NCAA diving without testing.

LeVant dropped out of the case upon graduation but two other athletes, Jennifer Hill and J. Barry McKeever, joined the suit to challenge the testing.

The NCAA is a voluntary association that includes more than 1,000 colleges, universities and other educational institutions. It regulates intercollegiate athletics programs involving 295,000 student-athletes nationwide.

NCAA member institutions are required to follow organization guidelines, such as drug testing, or risk sanction that could mean exclusion from post-season competition and being banned from television.

The NCAA members voted in 1986 to adopt the comprehensive anti-drug program of random testing for 3,600 substances, including anabolic steroids, diuretics and stimulants such as a caffeine and street drugs.

In 1988, Santa Clara County Superior Court Judge Conrad Rushing concluded there was no significant use of drugs by college students in conection with athletic events, and no evidence that the drugs being tested were used in the specified sports.

Rushing said the NCAA could not demonstrate a ''compelling interest'' to justify the testing program.

Rushing concluded there was no drug use in any sport except football, where only steroids are a problem.

In the first year of nationwide testing, no women tested positive for drug use in any sport. Only 1 percent of the male athletes tested positive, and almost all of them were football players who used steroids.

The NCAA called Rushing's ruling ''astonishing'' and ''myopic.''

Earlier this year, the 6th District Court of Appeal in San Jose upheld the Rushing decision invalidating the testing program.

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PANAMA CITY, Panama (DEC. 20) UPI - Thousands of Panamanians dressed in black and shouting anti-American slogans marched through the capital Thursday to mark the first anniversary of the U.S. invasion that ousted former dictator Manuel Noriega.

''I am here to protest the crime committed by the North Americans against Panama,'' said Teodoro Frias, 39, a University of Panama professor. ''We are here to honor our martyrs who died on Dec. 20.''

The thousands of demonstrators marched from downtown Panama City to the El Chorrillo slum, which was destroyed during the invasion. They carried Panamanian flags and shouted ''Panama si, Yanquis no (Panama yes, Yankees no).''

In other protests to mark the invastion, demonstrators burned effigies of President Guillermo Endara and Noriega and held a candlelight vigil.

The Dec. 20, 1989, invasion ended 21 years of military rule as 25,000 U.S. troops swarmed into Panama, ousted Noriega and installed Endara's civilian government.

Endara, who was sworn in on a U.S. base as the invasion began, declared Thursday a ''National Day of Reflection'' and government offices were closed.

In El Chorrillo, residents hung black banners from their doors and lighted candles early Thursday morning. Candles and small fires burned on the vacant lot where Noriega's military headquarters once stood.

Relatives of the dead held a mass at the Jardin de Paz cemetery in Panama City where 123 Panamanians killed in the invasion were buried in a common grave.

The invasion caused more than $1 billion in damage, and left thousands homeless and more than 500 Panamanians dead. Twenty-three U.S. troops were killed in fighting.

Relatives of invasion victims also held a candlelight vigil before the dawn Thursday and called for a moment of silence at 12:45 a.m., the time the invasion began one year ago. Mourners sang the national anthem and burned the effigies of Endara and Noriega.

Some shouted, ''Down with the gringos.''

The Committee for the Rescue of Sovereignty, a coalition of opposition groups, organized the protest march Thursday afternoon.

''We are marching against the invasion, in remembrance of the martyrs who died on Dec. 20, and to protest the U.S. occupation of Panama,'' said Juan McKenzie one of the organizers.

About 10,000 U.S. troops are stationed at 10 U.S. military bases in Panama.

While most Panamanians celebrated the overthrow of Noriega, many are now disenchanted with Endara.

Endara is widely viewed as a weak leader. A police rebellion two weeks ago had to be put down by 500 U.S. troops while recent anti- government rallies have been broken up by riot police with teargas and shotguns.

Panamanians are also bitter over the U.S. response to the invasion. Just $108 million of a $461 million U.S. recovery aid package has been released. The U.S. government has refused to compensate for Panamanians killed or injured in the fighting.

Opposition legislators sponsored a bill to have Dec. 20 named a day of mourning but other lawmakers said Dec. 20 should be a day of celebration. To appease both sides, Endara declared Dec. 20 a ''National Day of Reflection.''

In a statement Wednesday, Endara said that while Panama did not ask for the invasion, the country now has a duty to preserve democracy.

''We must preserve our democracy ... We must take care of the seed that has been planted. It is the responsibility of everyone.''

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#90354u1806 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (DEC. 20) UPI - Gov. Michael S. Dukakis, the 1988 Democratic presidential nominee, said goodby to state government Thursday night with a warning that America has grown economically ''soft and flabby'' and must make tough decisions soon if it is to remain a first-rate world power.

In an address before a packed House chamber that focused more on national issues than on his 12 years as Massachusetts' chief executive, Dukakis said the nation must summon the strength to deal with problems that are eating away at its social and economic fabric.

In the aftermath of winning the Cold War, he said Americans should feel ''terrific'' about themselves and the fact emerging European democracies are looking to them for leadership.

''But we don't feel terrific,'' Dukakis said. ''On the contary, we seem to be having a collective political nervous breakdown in this country.

''We've begun to realize that a future that's built on a credit card just won't make it, that a morning in America that ignores our fundamental responsibilities to our children and to each other carries with it a colossal ten-year hangover.''

Dukakis said Americans are beginning to understand that ''indulging ourselves in a world of quick bucks and junk bonds and leveraged buyouts and savings and loan operators has left us soft and flabby and unable to deal with the toughness and competitive instincts of others.''

He called for action to improve the nation's rapidly deteriorating health care system, deal with the federal deficit, improve America's economic competitiveness with the Japanese and Germans, and clean up the environment.

Dukakis also said the United States must abandon an energy policy that has left it vulnerable.

''How long are we going to permit the Saddam Husseins of this world to hold us hostage to an energy policy that has totally failed to wean us away from our growing dependence on foreign oil and now threatens to engulf us in armed conflict all over the Middle East?'' he asked.

Dukakis blamed himself for failing to shape a national debate on such issues in his battle with George Bush and urged more substantive debate as the nation

approaches the 1992 elections.

''I made a lot of mistakes in the 1988 campaign, but few were as bad as my failure to make the case for the kind of fundamental change that we, as a nation, must seek,'' he said.

Dukakis, who served 12 of the last 16 years as governor, leaves office with Massachusetts in a severe recession and the state facing its fourth straight deficit, even after more than $1 billion in cuts from its $13 billion budget.

He made no mention of another possible run for the presidency, but hinted he was still not ready to close the door on public life.

After a vacation in Hawaii and Australia, Dukakis said he and his wife, Kitty, will ''be anxious to continue to make a contribution to our state and to our country in whatever way seems best when we return.''

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BAYPORT, N.Y. (DEC. 20) UPI - A nationally known surgeon confessed Thursday to killing his 47-year-old wife in their elegant home on Long Island's South Shore.

Dr. Robert Reza told Suffolk County police that he shot his wife, Marilyn, as she slept and then strangled her with a necktie.

The victim's body was found by police Dec. 12 in her bed while Dr. Reza was attending a medical conference in Washington.

Officer Mark Ryan, a police spokesman, said, ''During the initial investigation Dr. Reza told detectives he had gone to Washington, D.C., on Monday, Dec. 10 where he had remained until notified of his wife's death.

''As a matter of routine, detectives began verifying Dr. Reza's whereabouts,'' Ryan said. ''An investigation revealed Dr. Reza had returned to New York late in the evening of Dec. 11 and returned to Washington the morning of Dec. 12th.''

''With this information the investigation focused on him,'' said Ryan.

When confronted, he confessed to the killing, the spokesman said, and he ''provided police with an account of the murder.''

The spokesman said Dr. Reza told of speaking with his wife before they went to bed, waiting ''until she was asleep then shooting her - as she slept - with a .22-caliber rifle which he had recently acquired.

''He then strangled her with a necktie,'' said the spokesman. ''The motive remains unclear. However, police have learned of recent marital problems.''

The spokesman, who said he was at the scene when Reza returned home, said he believed the doctor had traveled by car from the nation's capital to carry out the killing.

Dr. Reza, a nationally prominent pulmonary disease expert who was a committee member of the National Institutes of Health, was attending a conference on tuberculosis in Washington when his wife's body was found.

The woman, a registered nurse and well-known member of the community, had last been seen alive by co-workers when she left the Patchogue office of her husband on Dec. 11.

When the woman failed to show up for work the next day, co-workers called her neighbor, a Nassau County policeman. Police then found the body.

The couple's two daughters, Joy, 20, a Columbia University student, and Kristen, 17, were not at home when the body was found.

Detectives were originally baffled by the crime, as there were no signs of forced entry into the house and the burglar alarm had been turned off.

After police discovered the killing, Dr. Reza returned to his Bayport home and issued a short statement to the media, saying, ''The family is in shock.''

Ryan said Dr. Reza was to be arraigned Dec. 21 in 1st District Court in Hauppauge.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze resigned today, blasting his conservative critics and warning that a dictatorship may be returning to the Soviet Union.

Secretary of State Baker says the Shevardnadze resignation should NOT change Soviet foreign policy, but he also told reporters that the outgoing leader's warning should be taken seriously.

The Pentagon reported today that more than 280-thousand U-S troops are now in the Persian Gulf region. That total means the number of American soldiers in the region has climbed about 10-thousand in the past two days.

President Bush met with congressmen who just returned from the Mideast today and told them that the best hope for peace in the Persian Gulf is if Saddam Hussein realizes he will lose a war.

A federal appeals court in Atlanta ruled today that some Eastern Airlines pilots who were displaced by new hires during an eight-month strike last year are entitled to their jobs and should be reinstated. Eastern says the order affects about 200 pilots.

E-P-A Administrator William Reilly bowed to White House ojections and said he will withdraw a controversial plan that would have imposed major new recycling requirements on municipal trash incinerators.

About 200 demonstrators burned effigies of the Panamanian president and General Manuel Noriega today in a demonstration marking the first anniversary of the U-S invasion that dumped Noriega.

The Florida Supreme Court today upheld on a 4-3 vote the reimposition of the death sentence against a convicted killer whose first round of appeals resulted in an important legal precedent in death cases. James Ernest Hitchcock was re-sentenced to death in a new penalty hearing ordered by the U-S Supreme Court.

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''I haven't heard of any reports of ash having reached the ground, but I can look out my window and see a long, thin cloud that probably originated at the mountain,'' Brantley said.

The University of Washington Geophysics Laboratory in Seattle, which maintains several monitors around the volcano, reported minor seismic activity - small earthquakes - around the mountain for at least two to three hours after the blast.

United Airlines cancelled all incoming and outgoing flights at the Portland, Ore., airport Thursday night because of a company policy against flying in the vicinity of an erupting volcano.

United cancelled 13 inbound flights and eight outbound flights, including one from Chicago that was diverted to Seattle. The mountain is about 50 miles northeast of Portland.

No other airlines cancelled flights, according to a spokesman at the airport.

Scientists reported two other similar events in the past two months: one involving back-to-back eruptions Oct. 25 and 26, and an eruption Nov. 5 that sent an ash plume about 30,000 feet in the air.

The Federal Aviation Administration reported Thursday's ash plume reached about 23,000 feet, Brantley said.

Mount St. Helens exploded in a spectacular eruption May 18, 1980, destroying hundreds of square miles of forest, sending an ash plume around the world, and killing at least 36 people. Another 21 people were never found.

The 1980 eruption reduced the mountain from an elevation of 9,677 feet to its current height crater rim height of 8,363 feet.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Congressmen who met with President Bush at the White House today reported that the chief executive got blunt when discussing the best way to avoid a war in the Persian Gulf. They say Bush told them that the best chance for averting a Persian Gulf conflict is for Saddam Hussein to realize that if he takes on the U-S-led multi- national force that he's ''going to get his butt kicked.''

Secretary of State Baker says a warning from Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze about another dictatorship getting closer in the Soviet Union must be taken seriously. Shevardnadze issued his warning in a dramatic speech to the Congress of Peoples Deputies in Moscow in which he announced his resignation. Baker says he is proud to call Shevardnadze a ''friend.'' He also said he does NOT feel that the resignation will alter Soviet foreign policy.

The Organization for Economic Co-operation says the economic slowdown caused by the Persian Gulf crisis and accompanying oil price hikes can be beaten by the end of next year. But it says governments will have to fight inflation and reduce budget deficits in order to win the fight. But the Paris-based agency also warns in its bi-annual report that economic activity in the United States is certain to slow further and said the country will NOT be able to avoid a recession.

Eastern Airlines vows it will appeal a decision by the federal appeals court in Atlanta today that some pilots who were displaced by new hires during an eight-month strike last year are entitled to their jobs. The appeals court said the pilots should be reinstated. A union spokesman says the decision means about 800 jobs for the pilots, but an Eastern spokesman says the decision affects only about 200 pilots, who walked off their jobs in sympathy

with a strike by machinists.

The shuttle Columbia's crew says the series of potentially crippling glitches did NOT change their view that the flight was ''immensely successful.'' They told reporters today at Cape Canaveral that they came back with what they called ''an incredible wealth of scientific data'' about the violent universe. They also said the flight demonstrated the value of men in space... that an unmanned mission probably could NOT have survived the problems they encountered.

The federal Centers for Disease Control says outbreaks of salmonella from eating contaminated eggs have spread across the country and now represent a major public health problem. In its Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, the C-D-C said it had received reports of 49 outbreaks of salmonella from January through October of this year. Of that number, 22... or 45 percent... occurred outside the New England and Middle Atlantic states, where the problem had originally been confined.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - The architect of the end of the Cold War, the fall of the Berlin Wall and the democratization process that swept Eastern Europe stunned the Soviet Union and the world today by announcing his resignation. Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze resigned in protest of attacks on his work by conservatives and warned that they are working to restore a dictatorship in the Soviet Union.

Shevardnadze announced his resignation at the Congress of Peoples Deputies, which then voted 15-hundred consider. Gorbachev condemned his close ally's decision and said he had NOT been consulted. He called it ''unforgiveable'' but added that the two men had- quoting now- ''agreed to meet, sit down and discuss everything.''

Congressmen who met with President Bush at the White House says the chief executive has NOT made the final decision on the use of military force in the Persian Gulf but knows what it will take to avoid a fight. The congressmen say Bush told them that the best way to avoid war with Iraq is for Saddam Hussein to realize he is- quoting now- ''going to get his butt kicked.''

The Mount Vernon, Missouri, hospital where Nancy Cruzan is being allowed to die barred protesters today from holding a prayer vigil in its chapel and the Missouri Supreme Court rejected a request that her feeding tube be reinserted. A hospital spokeswoman said Cruzan's condition was still listed as ''deteriorating.'' The anti-abortion group ''Operation Rescue'' tried to arrange to use the hospital chapel 24 hours a day. But hospital officials refused because protesters earlier blocked corridors and had to be physically removed from the building.

Officials say the Air Force grounded its fleet of BB strategic bombers following an engine problem similar to one in which an engine dropped out of a bomber in flight. A Pentagon spokesman says the latest problem involved a fire in the right in-board engine. Although the plane has been grounded from making routine training flights until the problem is resolved, it is still on alert in case of war.

British Prime Minister John Major left London today for a two-day visit to the United States, where he will meet President Bush for the first time as the English leader. The brief, pre-Christmas visit is seen as an opportunity for the two leaders to get acquainted. The two men do not know each other well.

Researchers in Baltimore say people who drink only one cup of coffee or two cans of cola daily can experience caffeine withdrawal symptoms ranging from headaches to moodiness and nausea. Scientists have long recognized that heavy coffee drinkers are subject to withdrawal syptoms. But a new study has found unpleasant side effects when people with low- caffeine habits suddenly are denied the stimulant.

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#90354u2693 12/20/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 20) UPI - The surprise resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze has evoked an outpouring of personal praise from world leaders. Many view the move as a sign of growing crisis in the Soviet Union. The french foreign minister calls it a ''cry of alarm.''

Israeli officials are rejecting as ''biased and unbalanced'' the U-N Security Council's resolution today deploring Israel's decision to deport Palestinians suspected of inciting violent demonstrations in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Panamanians today marked the first anniversary of the U-S invasion that ousted former dictator Manuel Noriega. Thousands dressed in black and shouting anti-American slogans marched through Panama City to the El Chorrillo slum destroyed during the invasion.

Typhoon Ross is bearing down on Guam. The eye of the 500-mile-wide storm, packing sustained winds of 145 miles an hour, is expected to pass over the Pacific island at about midday tomorrow.

There was another minor earthquake in Indiana today... the second in a week. But there were NO reports of damage or injuries. The quake registered three-point-four on the Richter scale and was centered about 30 miles southwest of Indianapolis near Littlepoint.

Neither today's quake, nor Monday's quake occurred along the New Madrid fault

system, which a New Mexico climatologist, Iben Browning, predicted would be the site of a major quake about December 3rd.

Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis said goodby to state government tonight. The 1988 Democratic presidential nominee left with a warning that America has grown economically ''soft and flabby'' and must make tough decisions soon to remain a first-rate world power.

Dukakis made NO mention of another possible run for the presidency, but hinted he's still NOT ready to close the door on public life. He was governor for 12 years.

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(DEC. 20) UPI - Secretary of State Baker says the resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze should NOT alter Soviet foreign policy. But Baker says the diplomat's unexpected resignation and his public warning about the Soviet Union drifting toward a dictatorship- quote- ''have to be taken seriously.'' Baker called Shevardnadze ''a friend'' and praised him for his significant achievements as foreign minister.

Pentagon officials are lauding Japan's new five-year defense budget. Officials say the Tokyo government NOT only will be increasing its share of the defense burden, but also will be buying fancy U-S weaponry. The Pentagon says by 1995 Japan will be paying an additional 600-Million dollars a year toward the cost of keeping U-S forces in Japan by assuming the cost of all utilities and labor.

A federal jury in Dallas today convicted former Vernon Savings and Loan owner Don Dixon on 23 charges of misusing thrift funds. The jury deliberated 11 days before returning a guilty verdict. Dixon showed little reaction to the verdict. Later Dixon told a reporter- quote- ''I've had better days.'' Most of the 23 counts related to a California beach home where Dixon used Vernon funds to host lavish parties with prostitutes. Vernon failed in 1987. Dixon could face a maximum of 120 years in prison and fines of more than a half-Million dollars when he's sentenced on February 19th.

A nationally known New York surgeon today confessed to killing his wife in their elegant Long Island home. Dr. Robert Reza told Suffolk County police that he shot his 47-year-old wife, Marilyn, as she slept and then strangled her with a necktie. The woman's body was found by police a week ago in her bed while Reza was attending a medical conference in Washington. The motive remains unclear.

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Atlanta today released figures on the church's financial support of Vicki Long, the woman lay minister whose two-year affair brought down Archbishop Eugene Marino. The archdiocese says it spent more than 21-thousand dollars on Long, mostly for medical bills. Marino-

the nation's first black Roman Catholic archbishop- resigned in July, citing physical ailments and his affair with Long.

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WOODSTOCK, VT. (UPI) - New England Ski Areas Council official summary of snow conditions at New England ski areas as of 7 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 20, 1990.

Skiing conditions are subject to change due to weather, skier traffic, and other factors. Be aware of changing conditions.

Legend: new-inches of new snow snowfall ending in last 24 hours, pdr-powder snow, pp-packed powder, wet gr-wet granular, lsgr-loose granular, frgr-frozen granular, corn-corn snow, mgs-machine groomed surface (where two such terms appear, the former shows conditions on 70 percent or more terrain, and the latter the next-most-prevalent condition) vc-variable conditions, sc-spring conditions xx of 00 trails-number of trails open, sm-snow made in last 24 hours, tc-thin cover, wbln-windblown snow, var-variable, ns-night skiing available, no-not operating, opr-operating.

Connecticut

Mohawk Mtn new lsgr / 4- 12 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm
Mt Southington new / - base trails lifts
Powder Ridge new / - base trails lifts
Ski Sundown new / - base trails lifts
Woodbury new pp / 5- 20 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm ns

Massachusetts

Blandford new / - base trails lifts
Blue Hills new / - base trails lifts
Bradford new / - base trails lifts
Brodie Mtn new lsgr /pp 6- 36 base 5 trails 3 lifts sm ns
Butternut Basn new lsgr / 6- 30 base 6 trails 2 lifts sm
Catamount new pp /lsgr 6- 24 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm
Jiminy Peak new lsgr /pp 6- 36 base 5 trails 3 lifts sm ns
Mt. Tom new lsgr / 0- 20 base 2 trails 1 lifts sm ns
Nashoba Valley new lsgr / 4- 14 base 6 trails 4 lifts sm ns
Wachusett Mtn new lsgr / 5- 30 base 4 trails 4 lifts sm ns
Ward Hill new / - base trails lifts ME Camden new / - base trails lifts
Eaton Mountain new / - base trails lifts
Lost Valley new / - base trails lifts
Moosehead Resor new / - base trails lifts
Mt. Abram new lsgr / 9- 40 base 19 trails 2 lifts sm
Saddleback new / - base trails lifts
Shawnee Peak new lsgr / 12- 24 base 6 trails 2 lifts sm ns
Sugarloaf/usa new pp /lsgr 13- 51 base 55 trails 5 lifts sm
Sunday River new pp / 22- 44 base 41 trails 7 lifts sm

New Hampshire

Attitash new lsgr / 16- 72 base 8 trails 2 lifts sm
Balsams/wildern new / - base trails lifts
Black Mountain new frgr /pp 24- 60 base 6 trails 2 lifts sm
Bretton Woods new lsgr /pp 10- 22 base 16 trails 3 lifts sm
Cannon Mtn new lsgr / 15- 30 base 11 trails 3 lifts sm
Dartmouth Skiwa new lsgr /frgr 12- 24 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm
Gunstock new lsgr / 6- 18 base 5 trails 3 lifts sm
King Pine new / - base trails lifts
King Ridge new lsgr /pp 6- 18 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm
Loon Mountain new lsgr /frgr 14- 20 base 10 trails 4 lifts sm
Mt. Cranmore new pp / 12- 54 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm
Mt. Sunapee new lsgr /frgr 2- 22 base 4 trails 3 lifts sm
Pat's Peak new lsgr / 4- 17 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm
Ragged Mtn new lsgr /pp 6- 28 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm
Temple Mtn new lsgr /frgr 10- 24 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm
Waterville Vly new lsgr / 14- 33 base 14 trails 6 lifts sm
Wildcat Mtn new lsgr / 18- 44 base 16 trails 3 lifts sm

New York

Belleayre new lsgr / 4- 20 base 4 trails 3 lifts sm
Big Birch new lsgr / 0- 8 base 1 trails 1 lifts ns
Big Tupper new frgr / 4- 10 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm
Davos new / - base trails lifts
Gore Mountain new frgr / 10- 40 base 14 trails 6 lifts sm
Hunter Mountain new lsgr /pp 8- 49 base 33 trails 17 lifts sm
Peek N Peak new lsgr / 4- 24 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm ns
Ski Windham new lsgr /frgr 10- 51 base 15 trails 3 lifts sm
West Mountain new lsgr / 10- 25 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm
Whiteface new lsgr /frgr 0- 26 base 5 trails 5 lifts sm

Pennsylvania

Big Boulder new wetgr /lsgr 6- 18 base 4 trails 2 lifts
Blue Mountain new lsgr / 16- 28 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm ns
Camelback new / - base trails lifts
Jack Frost new wetgr /lsgr 18- 24 base 6 trails 4 lifts
Montage new lsgr / 12- 18 base 5 trails 3 lifts ns
Seven Springs new lsgr / 0- 16 base 4 trails 2 lifts
Shawnee Mtn new lsgr / 10- 20 base 6 trails 3 lifts ns

Vermont

Ascutney Mtn new lsgr /frgr 4- 24 base 5 trails 3 lifts sm
Bolton Valley new frgr / 10- 26 base 22 trails 4 lifts sm ns
Bromley Mtn new lsgr / 6- 26 base 4 trails 4 lifts sm
Burke Mountain new lsgr /frgr 10- 28 base 7 trails 3 lifts
Haystack new frgr / 12- 28 base 4 trails 1 lifts sm
Jay Peak 1 new lsgr /frgr 4- 26 base 22 trails 4 lifts sm

Killington new lsgr /pp 20- 34 base 55 trails 11 lifts sm
Magic Mountain new lsgr /frgr 14- 28 base 10 trails 3 lifts sm
Maple Valley new lsgr / 24- 36 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm
Middlebury Snob new frgr /lsgr 4- 24 base 3 trails 1 lifts sm
Mt. Snow new lsgr /pp 12- 24 base 37 trails 8 lifts sm
Okemo Mountain new lsgr /frgr 18- 30 base 43 trails 8 lifts sm
Pico new lsgr /pp 10- 38 base 22 trails 5 lifts sm
Smugglers Notch 1 new frgr / 6- 24 base 10 trails 3 lifts sm
Stowe new pdr /pp 10- 38 base 11 trails 5 lifts sm
Stratton Mtn new lsgr / 16- 29 base 20 trails 6 lifts sm
Sugarbush new lsgr /frgr 15- 54 base 16 trails 7 lifts
Suicide Six new frgr / 4- 12 base 5 trails 2 lifts sm

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Reliance Steel & Aluminum Co. of Los Angeles has purchased the assets of the City of Industry and Phoenix facilities of Lusk Metals for an undisclosed sum.

The Lusk Divisions will be integrated into Bralco Metals, Los Angeles, and Bralco Metals, Phoenix.

In making the announcement, Reliance President Joe Crider said, ''The acquisition will broaden Bralco Metals' marketing base in both Los Angeles and Phoenix.''

Lusk Metals of Hayward was not part of the transaction and will continue to operate as a metal service center serving Northern California and Nevada.

Reliance Steel & Aluminum Co., founded in 1939, is one of the nation's largest independently owned full-line distributors and processors of metal. The 18 metal service centers of the expanded network are in California, Oregon, Arizona, Utah, Texas and New Mexico.

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Ventura Software Inc., a Xerox company, announced Friday that it has begun shipment of Ventura Publisher, OS/2 Presentation Manager Edition, a new version of the company's desktop publishing software running under IBM Corp's OS/2 version 1.3 Presentation Manager operating environment.

Supporting Ventura Software Inc.'s multiple platform strategy, the availability of Ventura Publisher for the OS/2 operating environment rounds out the company's 1990 product offerings. Earlier this year, Ventura Software Inc. made desktop publishing solutions available for the Windows 3.0, Macintosh and DOS/GEM environments.

The new product will be distributed to major resellers nationwide, including Ingram Micro D of Santa Ana, Calif., Merisel of Inglewood, Calif., and Egghead Discount Software of Issaquah, Wash.

''This version of Ventura Publisher is targeted for desktop publishers who are standardizing on OS/2 and who want high-end workstation features at PC prices '' said Larry Gerhard, president and chief executive officer of Ventura Software Inc. ''The lower memory requirements of OS/2 version 1.3 have enabled us to take full advantage of the functionality inherent in the OS/2 operating system without sacrificing performance.''

Although redesigned to take advantage of the powerful OS/2 environment, Ventura Publisher, OS/2 Edition has maintained both the look and feel and features common to Ventura Publisher, Windows and DOS/GEM Editions. All three versions include capabilities found in Network Server and Professional Extension (previously available as separate products), new import filters, an improved HPGL converter and support for longer footnotes.

Ventura Publisher, OS/2 Edition combines the power of OS/2 with the advanced features of Ventura Publisher. It allows concurrent processing within a session so that more tasks can be accomplished in the same amount of time. The ability to run multiple simultaneous sessions of Ventura Publisher allows users to continue working while a document is printing. Virtual memory removes all practical limits on the size and complexity of documents which can be created.

Documents created in Ventura Publisher 1.1, 2.0 or 3.0 (Windows, Macintosh and DOS/GEM) are upwardly compatible in the OS/2 Edition.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Genentech Inc. Friday announced that it has received permission from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to market Actimmune (interferon gamma-1b) for the management of chronic granulomatous disease.

It is the third pharmaceutical product developed, produced and marketed by Genentech using recombinant DNA technology, and it is the company's second product designated as an Orphan Drug by the FDA.

''Interferon gamma's approval is a testament to the true spirit of the Orphan Drug Act, which is to develop new treatments for rare diseases,'' said G. Kirk Raab, president and chief executive officer of Genentech.

''Had it not been for the incentives provided by Congress, we could not have explored Actimmune's potential clinical application in chronic granulomatous disease patients.''

Chronic granulomatous disease is a rare, inherited disorder of the immune system which affects between 250 and 400 Americans. The disease is characterized by frequent and severe infections, caused by invading bacteria and fungi, which require hospitalization and may lead to death.

The only previously available treatment for this disease was frequent and high doses of antibiotics. A recently completed Phase III clinical trial showed that chronic granulomatous disease patients receiving Actimmune with antibiotic therapy had fewer and less severe serious infections and hospitalizations than chronic granulomatous disease patients receiving antibiotics alone.

''To the patients who have chronic granulomatous disease and their families who likewise suffer the stress and strain of this disease, having access to a drug that has the potential to reduce the severity of the disease's symptoms and restore them to a more normal day-to-day existence is a welcome respite,'' said Paul G. Quie, M.D., professor of pediatrics, Laboratory Medicine and Pathology, and Microbiology, University of Minnesota.

Interferon gamma is one of the body's proteins which is produced naturally by certain white blood cells to help reduce the frequency and severity of infections caused by invading bacteria or fungi. Since a component of the immune systems of patients with chronic granulomatous disease are dysfunctional, these patients have an impaired natural ability to defend against such infection.

Based on statistical projections, interferon gamma's immune modulating activity has been shown to be effective in these patients, with an estimated 77 percent of the 63 Actimmune treated patients reported free of serious chronic granulomatous disease-related infections one year after randomization, compared with an estimated 30 percent of the 65 patients receiving placebo.

These data and more will be reported in an article on the results of the study of interferon gamma in chronic granulomatous disease patients that has been submitted for publication in a national medical journal.

The FDA previously granted the company product licenses in 1985 for Protropin, human growth hormone, as a replacement therapy for growth hormone inadequacy in children, and in 1987 for Activase, t-PA (Alteplase), a blood clot-dissolving agent for the treatment of heart attacks.

Additionally, Genentech developed human insulin, licensed to and marketed by Eli Lily for the treatment of diabetes, and alfa interferon, licensed to and marketed by Hoffman-La Roche for the treatment of hairy cell leukemeia.

Genentech Inc. is a leading biotechnology company focusing on the development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceuticals produced by recombinant DNA technology.

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Chronic granulomatous disease is a rare, inherited disorder in which the body's immune system does not function normally, and therefore is unable to fight certain bacterial or fungal infections.

It affects infants and young children; approximately 80 percent of the children diagnosed with chronic granulomatous disease have unusually frequent or severe infections before the second year of life. In some cases, the infections may retard normal development, or may lead to death.

Children with chronic granulomatous disease produce white blood cells which lack the ability to kill certain bacteria and fungal agents. All other components of their immune system function normally. White blood cells are the body's natural guards against invading harmful micro-organisms.

In healthy people, the white blood cells engulf and ingest the invaders, then undergo a series of complex metabolic changes to kill them. In patients with chronic granulomatous disease, the cells are either deficient in producing or do not produce the oxygen metabolites necessary to kill some species of bacteria or fungi, thus increasing their susceptibility to infections.

Current treatment for chronic granulomatous disease is prolonged administration of antibiotics. In a series of clinical studies, it has been shown that interferon gamma-1b stimulates the immune system, and in conjunction with antibiotic therapy, reduces the incidence of recurrent

infections, such as aspergillis pneumonia, hepatic abscesses and skin infections, common to chronic granulomatous disease patients.

In September 1988, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) granted Genentech Orphan Drug designation for interferon gamma for the treatment of this rare disease. There are between 250 and 400 cases of chronic granulomatous disease in the United States.

The company filed a Product License Application with the FDA for Actimmune (interferon gamma-1b) on Dec. 20, 1989. The FDA granted a license on Dec. 20, 1990, to Genentech to market Actimmune for the management of chronic granulomatous disease.

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FREMONT, CA (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Safeway's Lucerne Egg Nog was judged the best egg nog by a panel commissioned by the "San Francisco Chronicle." The panel characterized Lucerne Egg Nog as thick, smooth and spicy with a nice aroma and a taste of nutmeg, a bit of rum flavoring and not overly sweet.

Panelists included Gerald Boyd, beverage editor for "Restaurant Hospitality" magazine and judge of numerous wine competitions; John Carroll, cook and food writer; Donna Katzl, chef/owner of Cafe For All Seasons, San Francisco and San Mateo; Roland Passot, chef/owner of La Folie restaurant, and Michael Podlin, general manager, Vivande Porta Via.

Lucerne was the favorite of all except one taster and received a score of 81 out of 100 points available. Other brands included in the taste test were: Classic Egg Nog, Altadena Egg Nog, Berkeley Farms Egg Nog, Lady Lee Egg Nog and Bud's Egg Nog.

Lucerne Egg Nog is produced locally by Safeway's milk plant in San Leandro. It is one of many products produced by the plant. Some other products that appear under the Lucerne brand name are milk, cottage cheese, yogurt, and sour cream. Safeway Inc. is the third largest grocery chain in the United States operating 876 stores, 220 in Northern California.

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#90355b0072 12/21/1990 ~Business Wire

DALLAS (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - First RepublicBank Corp. (FRBC), IFRB Corp. (IFRB) and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) Friday announced that the FRBC Official Committee of Senior Unsecured Creditors, the IFRB Statutory Creditors' Committee, the estates and the FDIC finalized the terms of an agreement to settle all disputes. Earlier this month FRBC and IFRB announced they had reached a conceptual understanding with the FDIC to settle all disputes.

The agreement will result in a general release of all claims and lawsuits between the FDIC and the estates and a payment to the FDIC of $142.5 million from the assets of the two estates plus approximately $15.7 million that is related to a separate adversary proceeding involving the estates and the FDIC.

The agreement will require approval of the Bankruptcy Court and, with respect to some matters, the District Court. No assurance can be given that the agreement will be approved by the Bankruptcy Court and the District Court.

If the agreement is approved and the reorganization plans are implemented, approximately $275 million will be available in the FRBC estate and approximately $170 million will be available in the IFRB estate to satisfy creditors other than the FDIC. The amount of valid claims against each estate has not yet been determined.

The FDIC asserted a number of claims against FRBC and IFRB consisting both of claims arising out of the March 1988 assistance given by the FDIC and claims acquired by the FDIC as receiver of the failed First Republic banks.

FRBC and IFRB have disputed the FDIC's claims. In addition, the creditors of FRBC and IFRB filed a lawsuit against the FDIC related to the March 1988 assistance. The FDIC has disputed the allegations of the lawsuit. If approved, the agreement will resolve all of these claims and lawsuits.

The FRBC and IFRB plans of reorganization, which had been approved by U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Steven A. Felsenthal in October 1990, have been stayed by U.S. District Court Judge Sydney A. Fitzwater pending an appeal by the FDIC. Under the terms of the reorganization plans, most distributions are to be withheld until resolution of the claims asserted by the FDIC against FRBC and IFRB.

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KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Friday announced significant rate reductions on international calling to 36 popular destinations.

The reductions were made as part of Sprint's new international calling plan, Sprint WORLD(sm).

The new calling plan offers simplified low flat rates to 36 major international destinations, available during discount, economy and weekend calling periods. Sprint WORLD, targeted to residential and small business customers, is available immediately.

Sprint WORLD customers can call more than 170 countries and territories around the world with special rates to 36 countries. These plan rates make it easier to understand and budget for international calling. Customers will be billed a low monthly fee of $3 for Sprint WORLD service. This fee will be waived for the first three months of service for those customers signing up before Feb. 28, 1991.

Sprint provides calling destinations around the world for its one $3 fee. Some competing calling plans charge additional fees for individual regions of the world, increasing the overall costs of their plans. US Sprint provides more discounted hours per week than competing plans, with up to an additional 10 hours per week.

Per minute rates vary from country to country. The following rates apply to discount, economy and weekend calls, for calls originating in the United States to one of the 36 countries:

Asia/Pacific, 79 cents

Europe, 59 cents

Canada, 17 cents

Mexico:

  Tijuana, Nuevo Laredo, 24 cents

  Monterrey, 44 cents

  Tampico, Durango, 69 cents

  Mexico City, Acapulco, Veracruz, Guadalajara, 89 cents

The Sprint WORLD plan is available with either Sprint's Dial-1 or Sprint Plus(sm) long distance services. With Sprint Plus, the customer receives five percent off standard period international calls, and calls to countries not covered by Sprint WORLD's special rates.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommunications Inc., a diversified

international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the only nationwide all-digital, all fiber-optic network.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Ralphs Grocery Co. Friday announced a commitment from Security Pacific National Bank to provide for new senior financing which will replace the existing senior bank facility.

The financing, completion of which is expected by April 1991, is for up to $450 million. The financing package will consist of a private placement of up to $200 million, an amortizing term loan of $150 million and a $100 million revolving facility.

Security Pacific National Bank has been selected as agent for the new bank debt. They have also been engaged to complete the Private Placement.

Byron Allumbaugh, Ralphs chairman and chief executive officer, said, ''We are pleased with the new proposed financing package. This will provide ample capital for an expansion program of more than 50 new stores, as well as adequate working capital for the $5 billion sales -- 200 store chain that we will become.''

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SANTA CLARA, CA. (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Siliconix Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:SILIV), announced that its Plan of Reorganization, which was confirmed by the Bankruptcy Court on Dec. 10, became effective today.

All of the necessary conditions having been satisfied, the company has begun the process of paying creditors as provided in the Plan and has now officially emerged from the Chapter 11 proceedings.

In business for 28 years, Siliconix is a leading supplier of advanced semiconductor products for motor controls, power supplies, computer

peripherals, telecommunications, instrumentation, and automotive systems.

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TORONTO (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Central Crude Ltd. (VSE,TSE:CLC.) Friday reported the results of a limited exploration program conducted on its new gold discovery known as the ''P'' Zone on its Eagle River property in the Mishibishu Lake area, northwestern Ontario.

The ''P'' Zone is located approximately 800 feet south of the 2 zone which is east of the main Eagle River deposit.

The zone hosts significant gold with grab samples returning assays up to 10.6 oz Au/ton. Stripping and trenching has traced this faulted structure for about 1150 feet. The shear structure of the zone averages 16 feet in width with individual high grade quartz veins ranging from 1.6 to 6.5 feet. The most significant channel sample returned an assay of 0.41 oz Au/ton over 23.0 feet.

Four shallow drill holes were just completed on the zone in an attempt to define the strike and dip of the structure and mineralization. Two holes returned significant assays of 0.13 oz Au/ton across 15 feet including 0.53 oz Au/ton across 4.6 feet and 0.15 oz Au/ton across 9.8 feet including 0.43 Au/ton across 3.3 feet. Further drilling is required to trace this mineralization.

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DENVER (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - TPEX Exploration Inc. Friday said it has sold 60 percent of its interest in the North LaWard oil field in Jackson County, Texas, to Tipperary Corp. for $550,000 cash.

The company sold a 54 percent working interest in the property. It retains a 36 percent working interest.

TPEX President T. Scott Martin said proceeds will be used to eliminate long-term debt, which had been a major goal of the company.

TPEX is an 11-year-old Denver-based company. Its stock is traded

over-the-counter, NASDAQ symbol TPEX.

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CARROLLTON, TX (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Westcott Communications Inc. (NASDAQ:WCTV) Friday announced that it has acquired American Heat Video Productions Inc. for an aggregate consideration of $3,124,500 payable in cash in exchange for 100 percent of the stock of American Heat Video Productions Inc. and non-competition agreements from American Heat Video Productions' shareholders.

WCI funded the acquisition through its existing bank lines.

American Heat, based in St. Louis, Mo., produces and distributes on a subscription basis training materials on video cassettes each month to over 2,200 fire departments throughout the United States.

American Heat's Pulse division distributes first call emergency training material on video cassette each quarter to over 800 subscribers.

American Heat's unaudited operating results reflect revenues of $2,392,000 and net income of $473,000 for the eleven months ended November 1990. WCI recently announced the formation of a television network to serve fire departments and emergency personnel via satellite.

Westcott said: ''The acquisition of American Heat will enable WCI to serve fire departments of all sizes and provide existing relationships with over 2,200 fire departments which will accelerate our entry into marketing WCI satellite-delivered services to fire departments. We are all looking forward to the contribution American Heat will bring to our efforts.''

Westcott Communications is a business communications company operating the Automotive Satellite Television Network and the Law Enforcement Television Network.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Mesa Royalty Trust (NYSE:MTR) announced the trust income distribution for the month of December 1990.

Unitholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990, will receive a distribution amounting to $392,781.63 or $.210766 per unit payable on Jan. 31, 1991.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - ARCO has signed preliminary agreements with two local governments in the Soviet Far East to explore, develop and produce hydrocarbons.

Protocols of Intent were signed last week by an ARCO subsidiary and the regional councils of Magadan and the Chukotka Autonomous Area.

The protocols provide for ARCO to negotiate with the regional councils to obtain exclusive rights for oil exploration and development both onshore and offshore. ARCO pledges to use state-of-the-art technologies to maximize hydrocarbon resources while minimizing environmental impacts.

Specific geographic areas for future work are to be identified in the process of negotiating a final agreement. The regional councils will assist ARCO in obtaining the required legal approvals of the governments of the Russian Federation and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

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SANTA ANA, CA (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Microsemi Corp. (NASDAQ:MSCC) Friday announced results for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues decreased 14 percent to $88,882,000, down from $103,539,000 in the prior year. Net earnings decreased 38 percent from a net loss of $8,371,000 in fiscal year 1989 to a net loss of $11,548,000 in fiscal year 1990. Earnings per share decreased from a loss per share of $1.10 in fiscal year 1989 to a loss per share of $1.54 in fiscal year 1990.

Revenues in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 decreased 7 percent from $25,221,000 in fiscal year 1989 to $23,524,000 in fiscal year 1990. Net loss increased 22 percent from $9,421,000 a year ago to a net loss of $11,509,000 this quarter. Loss per share increased from $1.25 in the prior year to $1.54

per share in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990.

The fourth quarter fiscal year 1990 results were impacted adversely by several unusual items. The largest of these is the previously announced $11 million reserve to cover the losses and associated costs from disposition of troubled businesses.

Another is a $980,000 writedown of the company's investments in two non-affiliated electronics companies. The third item is a $869,000 reserve for certain notes receivable from an affiliated electronics company. The fourth item was a $658,000 writedown of certain specialized experimental test equipment. Additionally, the net tax benefit recorded in the fourth quarter was $600,000.

In commenting on the results for the year, Philip Frey Jr., chairman, chief executive officer and president, stated, ''Now that we have expanded the Plan of Disposition, we are committed to complete the plan in a timely and orderly sequence of events so that management can concentrate efforts on new opportunities which will be very challenging.''

Backlog now stands at $36.15 million, a decrease of 18 percent from the $44.2 million one year ago. However, after eliminating the backlog of companies planned for disposition from last year's figures, the current backlog is essentially unchanged from the prior year's.

Frey stated further, ''We are pleased with the quality and relative stability of our backlog which will be the foundation of our success in the '90s.''

Microsemi is a leading supplier of discrete power-related and other semiconductor products and assemblies for the electronics, computer, telecommunications, defense/aerospace and medical markets.

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SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - David Anderson, 40, has been appointed senior vice president and chief financial officer of Pacific Western Bank and its holding company parent, Pacific Western Bancshares, Inc. (ASE:PWB), effective Jan. 1, 1991.

He is currently senior vice president and controller of Union Bank in Los Angeles.

As chief financial officer, Anderson will be responsible for all financial aspects of the company, as well as related activities, such as merger and

acquisition projects.

Anderson who has been with Union Bank for 12 years where he held a number of positions in the finance department until named to his present position. Prior to joining Union Bank, he was a CPA at Peat, Marwick, Mitchell in Chicago. An accredited CPA, Anderson graduated from the University of Utah with a bachelor of science in accounting in 1972.

According to Phillip R. Boyce, chief executive officer of Pacific Western Bancshares, ''David Anderson's experience at Union Bank during its growth years (from a $2 billion asset institution to today's nearly $17 billion asset institution), adds considerable strength and support to Pacific Western as we continue to expand our presence as one of Northern California's major independent banks.''

Anderson replaces Eugene Blakeslee, 45, who announced his resignation earlier this week to pursue other interests.

Blakeslee, who joined Pacific Western as vice president and controller in 1979 had held the position of executive vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer since 1987.

Pacific Western Bancshares Inc. is a bank holding company.

Through its subsidiaries, the company offers trust and asset management services. The holding company's Pacific Western Bank has 28 locations in three counties servicing California's Santa Clara Valley and Monterey Bay area.

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GLENDALE, CA (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Storage Properties Inc. (ASE:PSA), has announced that a 25 cent per share quarterly distribution has been declared by the board of directors.

The distribution is payable on Jan. 15, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Dec. 31, 1990.

Storage Properties (the company) is a real estate investment trust (REIT) organized in March 1989, and has invested primarily in nonrecourse loans to PS Properties Advisors Inc., (the advisor), an affiliate of Public Storage Inc. The loans are secured by first mortgages or deeds of trust on properties that

are in operation or being developed as self-storage facilities.

The company has entered into agreements for the right to acquire properties securing the loans during a specified period. The company's objectives are to preserve and protect its invested capital, provide for cash distributions from operations, and realize capital appreciation of its properties.

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DALLAS (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - E-Systems (NYSE:ESY), Garland Division, located in Garland, Texas, Friday purchased for an undisclosed price the building formerly belonging to Oilwell, a division of USX Corporation of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Located at 501 South Jupiter Road in Garland, the building, which sits on 8.4 acres of land, adds 130,000 square feet of office, engineering and laboratory facilities to permanent Garland Division facilities. Purchase of the building will facilitate future business expansion as well as consolidate current support service groups from leased space.

E-Systems is a major worldwide developer and producer of electronic systems and products in the areas of intelligence, reconnaissance and surveillance systems, command and control, electronic warfare, specialized aircraft maintenance and modification, guidance, navigation and control, communications and data systems.

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COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Partech Holdings Corp. (NASDAQ:APHC; BSE:PTH.B) Friday reported a net loss for the six months ended Oct. 31 of $662,853, or 11.2 cents per share, compared with net income of $921,605, or 16.9 cents per share, for the like period of the previous fiscal year.

The business of the company is devoted principally to the acquisition, management, financing, refinancing and sale of leased data processing and other capital equipment.

At the end of the previous fiscal year, the company had agreed to participate in a substantial number of lease transactions, many of which have been delayed or terminated due to domestic economic and international events not in the

company's control. The general state of the domestic economy may continue to have an adverse effect on the company's fee income throughout the remainder of this fiscal year.

However, the company expects an increase in income from the sale and re-lease of existing equipment and from the sale and/or refinancing of existing lease revenue sharing agreements which, when completed, could equal or exceed any current year decline in commissions and fee income.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Landmark Graphics Corp. has announced Friday that the Securities and Exchange Commission has declared effective the registration of a total of 1,363,534 shares issued in connection with its acquisitions of Zycor Inc. and ITA Inverse Theory & Applications Inc. in September and November 1990, respectively.

The shares included in the registrations will be offered from time to time by certain stockholders of the company for their own accounts. The company has committed to cause such registrations to remain in effect for a period of two years from December 1990.

The offerings by the selling stockholders are not being underwritten. Selling stockholders may sell their shares from time to time either directly or through agents, underwriters or dealers. Their sales may be effected in the NASDAQ National Market System or in independent, negotiated transactions, or otherwise, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale or at negotiated prices.

Landmark Graphics Corp. is a leading supplier of interactive computer-aided exploration systems used by geoscientists to analyze subsurface data in the process of exploring for and producing petroleum reserves. The company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol LMRK.

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COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Fourth-quarter, fiscal 1990 reserves established for estimated losses for underperforming restaurants closed or anticipated to be closed significantly impacted Rax Restaurants Inc.'s

(NASDAQ:RAXR) operating results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 ended Oct. 29.

First-quarter revenues were $21,457,000 down nearly 22 percent from the $27,424,000 recorded during the first quarter of fiscal 1990. More than 80 percent, or $4.9 million, of this decrease was comprised of net sales excluded from first-quarter results because of reserves the company has established for restaurants closed or anticipated to be closed. These restaurants include 29 in Florida the company announced Nov. 7 it would close.

Rax's net loss for the first quarter was $1,586,000, or 23 cents per share, compared with $1,183,000, or 17 cents per share, for the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Current-year results reflect an approximately $400,000 one-time charge for severance pay and a charge of $248,000 for reserves arranged for past-due franchise royalties.

''To position Rax for long-term stability, we are considering and implementing various strategies to restructure our long-term debt,'' said Ira A. Hermann, president and chief executive officer. ''These strategies include negotiating with our vendors for reduced costs and negotiating with our lenders for favorable financial arrangements. In addition, the board has appointed a special committee to evaluate proposals for securing further capital to strengthen our long-term position.''

Company, comparable, per-restaurant average net sales decreased approximately 3.5 percent for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 compared with the first quarter of fiscal 1990. Softened sales, which began impacting Rax during the fourth quarter of the company's 1990 fiscal year, continued to negatively impact Rax. Some of Rax's softened sales are due to widespread discounting by competitors who are reacting to down industry sales. During the first quarter Rax introduced a Super Saver Menu featuring selected products priced at $1 or less, a discount strategy which already has positively impacted the company's traffic counts, Hermann said.

Restaurant operating profitability as a percentage of net sales increased from 7 percent to 9.6 percent on a 1st quarter-to-1st quarter comparison as a result of the closing of the Florida stores, negotiated savings in distribution and goods costs, reduced labor costs, and improved company restaurant operations.

Rax has undertaken significant efforts to lower expenses, with the intent to improve its long-term results. An approximately 25 percent reduction in corporate personnel in September is expected to result in future administrative cost savings of about $1 million annually, and a tentative agreement reached in November with the mortgage of its corporate office facility, which included a transfer of the facility to the lendor in consideration of a release for the mortgage loan and renegotiating a short-term lease, will save Rax more than $400,000 annually.

Rax Restaurants owns, operates, develops and franchises restaurants that feature a variety of specialty sandwiches and other fast foods. Rax has 110 company-owned and 284 franchised stores in 29 U.S. states and in Canada. Incorporated in 1977, the publicly held company is traded over-the-counter on the NASDAQ National Market System under the RAXR symbol.

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ANAHEIM, CALIF. (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE) - Norman Abramson, President and Chief Operating Officer, The Clothestime, Inc. (CTME/NASDAQ), today announced the promotion of David Sejpal to Chief Financial Officer effective December 14 1990.

Mr. Sejpal joined the Company in December 1986 as the Director of Finance and in September 1988, was promoted to Corporate Controller. Prior to joining Clothestime, Mr. Sejpal worked for Carter Hawley Hale-The Broadway for five years. Mr. Sejpal graduated with a Master in Business Administration with high honors from Boston University in May 1981 and received his bachelor degree from Bombay University.

The Clothestime, Inc. operates 385 women's apparel stores in fifteen states, offering primarily in-season, moderately- priced sportswear, dresses and accessories, emphasizing brand names at substantial discount from the more upscale department and specialty stores.

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VENTURA, CALIF. (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE)--Benton Oil and Gas Co. (OTC:BNTN) Friday announced the acquisition of an additional 7.6 percent working interest in the West Cote Blanche Bay Field for approximately $5 million.

The company now controls a 26.7 percent working interest in the West Cote Blanche Bay Field. This acquisition was effective Oct. 1, 1990, for the

purposes of allocating costs and revenues. The sellers were two private investment companies and certain of their affiliates.

''We are very pleased to acquire this additional interest in the West Cote Blanche Bay,'' said Alex Benton, president. ''We continue to believe that in addition to its considerable existing reserves, West Cote has significant upside potential in behind pipe oil and gas producing zones, shallow developmental oil drilling, and both shallow and deep exploratory and developmental gas drilling.

''Nineteen-ninety development programs consisting of shallow drilling and behind pipe recompletions have already made a major improvement in the daily production at West Cote. Similar programs are anticipated during each of the next several years.''

Including this additional acquisition, Benton's internal estimates of its total share of the existing reserves at West Cote are approximately 3.1 million barrels of oil and 1.4 billion cubic feet of natural gas.

Cumulative acquisition costs have been approximately $12.5 million. In addition, the company anticipates developing additional reserves of approximately 7 million barrels of oil and 11 billion cubic feet of natural gas for an estimated cost of $25 million over a period of several years.

Benton Oil and Gas, based in Ventura, is an independent oil and gas exploration and production company with operations in Louisiana, Oklahoma, California, Colorado, Texas, Gulf Coast waters and Mississippi.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Olympic Savings Bank (NASDAQ:OSBW) announced Friday that shareholders approved a one-for-four reverse stock split at a special meeting of stockholders held yesterday afternoon in Seattle.

''Olympic is considering a private sale of a large block of shares. The increased number of authorized but unissued shares of common stock which will result from the reverse stock split would enable Olympic to sell a greater percentage of its common stock,'' said John W. Fuller, chairman and president.

''Olympic has also filed a registration statement with the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) with respect to 3,200,000 shares of its common stock. The reverse stock split would enable Olympic to increase the numbers of shares of common stock that it could register and sell,'' Fuller added.

After the reverse stock split, Olympic Savings Bank will have 333,027 shares issued and outstanding, but the Bank's authorized shares of common stock will remain at 5 million shares.

More than 71 percent of Olympic's shareholders voted in favor of the proposal to amend the Bank's Articles of Incorporation in order to effect the reverse split. Olympic plans to file the Amendment to its Articles of Incorporation with the Supervisor of Savings and Loan Associations of the State of Washington on or about Dec. 21, 1990, which will then become the effective date for the split.

As soon as practicable after the effective date, stockholders will be notified and requested to surrender their certificates representing shares of common stock to the Exchange Agent in exchange for certificates representing new common stock of Olympic Savings Bank. Shareholders will receive one new share of common stock in exchange for every four shares of existing common stock owned. Fractional shares will be paid in cash at a price equal to the average of the closing bid and asked prices of Olympic common stock on the business day preceding the effective date.

The Exchange Agent for the common stock of Olympic Savings Bank will be:

TransSecurities International, Inc.
East 12525 Mission Avenue
Spokane, Washington 99216
Telephone: 800/762-8233

CONTACT: Olympic Savings Bank, Seattle
John W. Fuller, 206/382-4900

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PORTLAND, ORE. (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE)--Electro Scientific Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:ESIO) reported a net income of $118,000, or 2 cents per share, on sales of $15.3 million for the second quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990.

This compares with a net loss of $274,000, or 4 cents per share, and sales of $19.2 million in the same quarter last year.

''As planned, the cost reduction programs put in place earlier this year have significantly reduced operating expenses, allowing us to be modestly profitable at a lower sales level,'' said Mike Ellsworth, ESI's president and chief executive officer.

Orders in the second quarter were $16.7 million, up from the first quarter's rate of $15.6 million. Both the hybrid and passive component pieces of the company's business are seeing strong orders while semiconductor customers

continue to delay capital equipment purchases, looking for an upturn in their business.

In all respects, the company remains in a solid financial position. The balance sheet is strong and cash flow for the first six months was positive.

ESI is a world leader in the production of laser systems for trimming and processing microelectronic circuitry and a major materials and equipment supplier to the passive component industry.

ELECTRO SCIENTIFIC INDUSTRIES INC.
(in thousands, except earnings per share)

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	11/30/90	11/30/89	11/30/90	11/30/89
Net sales	$15,298	$19,183	$33,297	$41,091
Gross profit	7,528	9,075	16,712	20,445
Income (loss) from continuing operations	118	(39)	1,064	1,550
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	-	(235)	-	(234)
Net income (loss)	$ 118	$ (274)	$ 1,064	$ 1,316
Earnings (loss) per share: From continuing operations	$ 0.02	$ -	$ 0.18	$ 0.26
From discontinued operations	-	(0.04)	-	(0.04)
Earnings per share	$ 0.02	$ (0.04)	$ 0.18	$ 0.22
Average shares outstanding	6,093	6,062	6,089	6,063

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RALEIGH, NC (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - First Citizens BancShares has agreed to acquire Hendersonville-based First Federal Savings Bank, according to a joint announcement made Thursday by James B. Hyler Jr., president of First Citizens, and James E. Creekman, president of First Federal.

Terms of the agreement provide for the conversion of First Federal from a mutual institution to a stock company and the simultaneous acquisition of the savings bank by First Citizens BancShares. First Federal would then immediately be consolidated into First Citizens Bank.

The acquisition is subject to several conditions, including affirmative vote of the majority of First Federal's eligible members and approval from applicable federal and state regulatory agencies. No date has been set for

consummation of the transaction, but completion of the acquisition could occur late in the second quarter of 1991.

First Federal's management, all branch employees and many of its staff employees will be offered continued employment by First Citizens Bank.

An independent appraisal firm will conduct a valuation of First Federal that will consider such factors as economic and demographic conditions in First Federal's market areas and financial projections of its results of operations.

To effect the conversion/acquisition, First Citizens intends to offer its class A common stock. The total number of shares issued will be determined at the close of the offering by dividing the valuation of First Federal by the market price of BancShares' class A stock.

Creekman said the decision to affiliate with First Citizens followed an exhaustive study of the direction of the thrift industry and the alternatives available to First Federal.

First Federal has about $456 million in assets and operates 13 offices in Hendersonville, Asheville, Brevard, Candler, Fletcher, Marion and Tryon.

First Citizens BancShares is the holding company of First Citizens Bank, a $4.4 billion statewide financial institution that operates 326 offices in 167 North Carolina towns and cities. BancShares' class A and class B common stock is traded over-the-counter, and class A is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol FCNCA.

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MANATI, PUERTO RICO (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - A multinational, multi-billion-dollar pharmaceutical manufacturing operation -- owned equally by the Du Pont Co. and Merck & Co. Inc. -- will commence production on Jan. 1, 1991.

Inauguration of state-of-the-art production facilities in Puerto Rico by Du Pont and Merck & Co. continues a growing trend by leading Mainland U.S. and foreign pharmaceutical.

Puerto Rico now produces 50 percent of the total annual pharmaceutical dosage units in the U.S. marketplace and 25 percent of the worldwide volume. Annual pharmaceutical shipments from Puerto Rico, currently at $4 billion, are expected to reach $6 billion in 1992.

Du Pont/Merck spokesman predict first year joint venture sales of $700 million through global marketing. Du Pont and Merck parent organizations will have equal representation in the venture's governing board.

Du Pont/Merck Pharmaceutical will have a research staff of about 1,500, including over 400 doctoral level scientists, a first-year research and development (R&D) budget of $230 million, and a professional sales staff of 600 people.

The joint venture will utilize the Puerto Rican facilities of Du Pont Medical Products, including the new $60 million 300,000 sq. ft. plant inaugurated last week at Manati and a sister facility in Aguadilla, on the west coast. Combined plant space is over 600,000 sq. ft.

The Manati facility, the most sophisticated plant operated by Du Pont, has fully automated packaging lines and computerized testing Laboratories. It is designed to house three distinct production lines in a carefully integrated operation: pharmaceuticals, diagnostic consumables and imaging agents.

Products to be manufactured in the plant will include: tablets, liquids, injectable ampuls and syringes, diagnostic consumables and lyophilized (freeze-dried) imaging agents in vials.

Among others, the new plant will manufacture Du Pont prescription medications such as ''Coumadin,'' an anti-clothing agent; ''Hespan,'' a plasma volume extender; the analgesics ''Percodan'' and ''Percocet''; thallium imaging agent and key new products including the recently approved anti-arrhythmic, ''Ethmozine,'' and ''Cardiolite'' and ''Persantine.''

A priority of the venture will be to build its European business base by adding some current Merck pharmaceutical products and by increasing its European sales force over the next five years.

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OKLAHOMA CITY (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Newspapers can now create their own low-cost in-house library databases through the powerful new "PC Datatimes" software system, unveiled here Thursday.

The "PC DataTimes" system enables small and mid-sized papers to build computerized libraries using stand-alone personal computers (PCs). "PC DataTimes" also will serve larger publishing companies that are creating PC-based editorial systems, a trend in many newsrooms. "PC DataTimes" can link

directly into any sized PC network.

"For the first time, sophisticated library computerization is available to small and mid-sized newspapers," said Allen Paschal, Data Times president. "In addition, larger newspapers moving into the PC environment can enjoy added operating flexibility."

DataTimes expects that many of the newspapers installing "PC DataTimes" will become available on its worldwide online information network. DataTimes subscribers use their computers to electronically access the files of more than 645 publications, news services and financial databases from four continents. New power in newsrooms

The "PC DataTimes" system offers newsroom users more powerful searching capability than is available through any other searching or retrieval method, the company said.

Instead of relying only on the traditional (Boolean only) search engines, the new system utilizes so-called "smart searching" to find stored information even when the user does not know exact search terms.

For example, "PC DataTimes" includes a proprietary "Probable Relevance Ranking" utility that can be readily used by even a virtual novice to electronic information retrieval.

By asking for a comparison of a specific newspaper article against all others stored in a newspaper's in-house database, the user can receive, in seconds, a list of articles that deal with similar topics, ranked by "probable relevance" to the original.

The "Probable Relevance Ranking" feature incorporates complicated heuristic algorithms that require no special processing by the user. Boolean search systems, in contrast, require the user to narrow electronic searches by adding terms and words to be searched.

DataTimes is an industry reseller for Personal Library Software Inc. of Rockville, Md., which develops and markets computer software for managing data text and images. "PC DataTimes is available now. The cost for installation varies by the number of PC workstations licensed.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - ECC Group plc (NASDAQ:ECLAY), the UK-based

industrial minerals company, said that the U.S. Justice Department has announced its approval of the revised agreement to acquire Georgia Kaolin for $340 million announced yesterday.

ECC expects to complete the acquisition before year end.

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CHERRY HILL, NJ (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - GE Mortgage Capital Corp. announced Friday that its subsidiary, GE Capital Mortgage Services Inc., has signed an agreement to sell its 13 retail offices to American Mortgage Banking Ltd. of Westbury, N.Y.

The retail offices have been for sale since October when GE Mortgage Capital acquired Travelers Mortgage Services Inc., including its wholesale, home equity and servicing operations.

The branch offices are located in Connecticut, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

GE Mortgage Capital, of Raleigh, N.C., a holding company for several affiliated housing finance companies, is a unit of GE Capital of Stamford, Conn.

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KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Envirosafe Services Inc. (NASDAQ:ENVI) Friday announced that at a meeting on Thursday, Dec. 20, the Ohio Hazardous Waste Facility Board voted to delay the issuance of an order relating to the application of its Ohio subsidiary for renewal and modification of its permit to operate a waste disposal facility at Oregon, Ohio.

The delay was ordered to permit Envirosafe, the City of Oregon and the Ohio EPA, parties to the proceeding, together with the staff of the Board, to draft permit terms and conditions which might be acceptable to the Board on three issues which were raised by Envirosafe in its Motion for reconsideration: the

authorization of cell expansion, the funding of perpetual care, and the annual tonnage limitation of waste to be accepted at the Envirosafe facility.

Under the procedures set down by the Board, the Board's staff will formulate by year-end, proposed terms to be considered by the parties. The parties will have four weeks to review and, if appropriate, modify the proposed terms and conditions in an effort to achieve a better result for all parties than the Aug. 29 decision. The Board will then schedule a meeting to further consider the three issues. On Aug. 29, the Board had voted to renew Envirosafe's permit, but denied Envirosafe's requested expansion which had been recommended by the Board's adjudication panel. At its meeting on Dec. 20, the Board tabled Envirosafe's Motion for reconsideration pending the completion of efforts to develop appropriate terms and conditions for a permit.

Envirosafe Services is a leading provider of land disposal services for environmentally sensitive wastes. The Company owns major disposal sites in Ohio and Idaho -- two of the 20 such sites authorized under federal law.

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BOWLING GREEN, KY (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Trans Financial Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS:TRFI) announced Friday that its two commercial banks would merge and change their names.

On Jan. 1, 1991, Citizens National Bank in Bowling Green and Citizens Bank and Trust Co. in Glasgow and Cave City will become known as Trans Financial Bank.

Trans Financial Bancorp is a $405 million bank holding company that serves southcentral Kentucky through 10 offices. Also part of the holding company is Trans Financial Bancorp, FSB in Russellville. Trans Financial's stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol TRFI.

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HOPKINTON, MA (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - EMC Corp. announced Friday that after only three months on the market it has shipped over 1,000 units of its SL/935-EXP disk drive for IBM AS/400 and System/38 computers.

The SL/935-EXP reached the thousand-unit mark in less than half the time of

its successful predecessor, the SL/935-XP.

Introduced in September, 650 SL/935-EXP units were expected to ship by the end of 1990. The product surpassed this goal in mid-November. Even after shipping 1,000 units this quarter the company expects to have a backlog of over 200 planned for shipment in the first quarter of 1991.

EMC Corp. introduced the first third-party DASD subsystem for IBM midrange computers in 1987 and has experienced great success as the dominant third party supplier of drives in the market. With the success of the SL/935-EXP and several new products planned for 1991 the company expects to maintain or improve upon this position.

EMC's subsystem provides five times the storage capacity of the equivalent IBM storage product and uses only one third of the electricity required to power the IBM drive. The SL/935-EXP also features EMC's proprietary Automatic Error Thresholding (AET) program which continuously monitors drive behavior by tracking the number of retries and reallocations common to hard disk drives. The program alerts the user if reliability indicators exceed a predetermined threshold and allows maintenance to be scheduled at the user's convenience.

EMC Corp. supplies innovative, high-performance storage products and related services for midrange and mainframe computers worldwide.

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QUINCY, MA (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - (OTC:XCEL) Charles R. Simpson Jr., president and chief executive officer of Excel Bancorp Inc., announced Friday that the board of directors declared a cash dividend of 5 cents per share on the company's common stock.

The cash dividend of 5 cents per share will be payable on Feb. 15, 1991 to stockholders of record on Feb. 1, 1991.

Excel Bancorp Inc., is the holding company for Quincy Savings Bank, a state chartered stock savings bank, headquartered in Quincy, Mass., and Lincoln Trust Co., a state chartered commercial bank, headquartered in Hingham, Mass. The subsidiaries conduct business through a total of 17 offices located on the South Shore of Massachusetts.

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CINCINNATI (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - One of the nation's top 25 pension funds will now have a significant equity investment in the landmark Carew Tower complex in downtown Cincinnati, Steven Stein, president of the Belvedere Corp. announced Friday.

The Shell Pension Trust, Houston, recently completed the agreement with the Cincinnati-based Belvedere Corp.

The Belvedere Corp. announced its purchase of the Carew Tower office and retail complex and the 621-room Omni Netherland Hotel Plaza in April 1990. Shortly after the purchase, Belvedere announced a multi-million dollar renovation of the office and hotel areas. Hotel improvements include complete room redecoration, installation of a remote check-in, and a health club on the concourse level.

Shell manages five retirement funds throughout the United States with total assets of $8 billion and currently holds 100 percent interest in the former Pogue's parking garage located in downtown Cincinnati.

The privately-held Belvedere Corp. is a full service real estate development, leasing and management company. In addition to Stein, principals in the Belvedere Corp. include Stuart Warm, chairman, and Alex Warm, vice-chairman. At present the company owns or manages more than $300 million in property in Greater Cincinnati, representing over 4 million square feet of office, hotel, retail and parking facilities.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The Continental Corp. (NYSE:CIC) Friday announced that a story that appeared in the Dec. 20th edition of USA Today and was restated in today's Wall Street Journal reporting Continental purchases of the stock of Travelers Corp. is incorrect.

In fact, Continental does not currently own any Travelers stock and has not bought or sold any shares in that company in recent years.

The Continental Corp., headquartered in New York City, is a property/casualty insurance organization with over $5 billion in annual revenues. Its insurance subsidiaries are leading writers of commercial and personal package policies and select specialty coverages through major independent agents and brokers.

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STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Ericsson Friday was named first supplier of equipment for public telecommunications to Hungarian Telecommunications.

The choice of Ericsson follows bidding by some of the world's largest telecommunications suppliers. According to the terms of the contract, Ericsson will deliver the majority of the approximately 1.5 million new telephone lines planned for installation during the coming five years.

The agreement is among the first of the large telecommunications purchases expected in Eastern and Central Europe within the next few years.

Ericsson also has won a separate $9 million order to extend the international tandem switch installed in Budapest in the spring of 1989. The capacity of the switch needs to be quadrupled.

Ericsson is also negotiating an order to extend the cellular telephone system that was installed in Hungary two months ago. Initially, the cellular system served 2,000 subscribers, but demand for services has been so great that 20,000 subscribers are expected by the end of 1991.

Ericsson is an international leader in telecommunications recognized for its advanced systems and products for wired and mobile communications in public and private networks.

Ericsson ADRs are traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ERICY.

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MAYAGUEZ, PUERTO RICO (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Western Federal Savings Bank has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 20 cents per common share, payable Jan. 17, 1991 to shareholders of record, at the close of business Jan. 2, 1991.

Western is the fifth largest thrift institution in Puerto Rico operating from 23 full service branches mainly located on the Western and Southern ends of the Island. The bank has approximately $537 million in assets. Western's

common stock is listed on the NASDAQ national market system under the symbol WFPR.

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TOLEDO, OH (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Health Care REIT Inc. announces that effective Dec. 1, a 120-bed nursing home in Camp Verde, Ariz., previously classified as other real estate owned, has been leased with an option to buy to The Arbors Health Care Center Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Signature Health Care Corp. for a ten-year period.

The carrying value of this property at Dec. 1 was approximately $3,035,000, which has been reclassified to investment in operating-lease properties. Based on the minimum option price, no additional charge to the allowance for losses was necessary. Signature is a venture capital-backed, long-term health care management company operating nursing homes in the western United States.

To date, in 1990 Health Care REIT Inc. has returned two properties from other real estate owned to income producing investments.

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FREEHOLD, NJ (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Calton Inc. (NYSE: CN) announced Friday that it has reached an agreement with its lending group which revises certain terms of its secured credit agreement, including an extension of the term of the credit agreement from April 30, 1991 to Dec. 1, 1991, and a restructuring of the terms under which the outstanding balance under the credit agreement is to be repaid.

The effectiveness of the credit agreement amendment is conditioned upon, among other things, the company entering into a definitive agreement to exchange certain properties and joint venture interests for an approximately $18 million principal amount of its 16 5/8 percent Senior Subordinated Notes by Jan. 10, 1991.

The company previously reported that it had entered into a non-binding letter of intent to acquire the notes and that it expected to enter into a definitive agreement with the holder of the notes by Dec. 31, 1990.

As part of the restructuring of the credit facility, the lending group has agreed to defer a $10 million reduction of borrowings which was originally required on Nov. 30, 1990. The revised agreement provides for a monthly reduction of borrowing availability by an amount equal to specified percentages of land and housing sales during the preceding month, but not less than $500,000 per month.

The lending group's commitment will be reduced by an aggregate $15 million in May 1991, inclusive of credits for the monthly required reductions. The company will be obliged to reduce outstanding borrowings by $10 million if the amendment to the credit agreement becomes effective but the company does not complete the proposed acquisition of its 16 5/8 percent Senior Subordinated Notes by Jan. 31, 1990.

The credit agreement currently permits borrowings of up to $85 million, all of which is currently outstanding. In view of current economic conditions and conditions in the real estate market, the company is not certain it will be able to reduce outstanding borrowings by May 1991 as required by the revised agreement.

The lending group has indicated that it will entertain additional proposals to revise the credit facility, including an extension of the term beyond December 1991.

As part of the restructuring of the credit agreement, the interest rate on borrowings will increase from one-fourth of a percent over the prime rate to one-half of a percent over the prime rate and the method of determining how much may be borrowed under the agreement will be revised.

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ELMSFORD, NY (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - V Band Corp. (NASDAQ/NML:VBAN) reported sales for the fourth quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 of $4.6 million, a decrease of $2.3 million, or 33 percent below the fourth quarter 1989 sales.

Sales were $18.7 million for fiscal 1990, a decrease of 28 percent below the fiscal 1989 sales of $25.8 million. The overall decrease in sales primarily reflects the effects of the tenuous economic conditions that affected the financial services market worldwide during 1990.

For the fourth quarter 1990, V Band had net losses of $3.5 million, or 52 cents per share as compared to net losses of $1.9 million, or 29 cents per share for the same period in 1989. During the fiscal years 1990 and 1989, net losses were $5.7 million, or 87 cents per share and $5.3 million, or 79 cents per share, respectively.

These losses were attributable to declining revenues due to the continuing decline of the financial services industry to which the company sells its products, write downs of various assets, as well as charges for the effects of implementing future cost-cutting measures, such as relocation.

Gross profit margin for the fourth quarter 1990 was a negative 4 percent, a decrease from the 20 percent reported for the comparable period in 1989. The fourth quarter margin for 1990 was unfavorably impacted by a non-recurring write down of $1.3 million related to previously acquired capitalized technology.

The fourth quarter 1989 margin reflected inventory obsolescence write downs along with warranty reserves amounting to $.9 million.

The fourth quarter 1990 write down of the acquired technology investment was due to the effects of V Band moving toward a more cost effective and highly efficient digital technology vs. the analog-related technology acquired in 1987. For the fiscal year period ending 1990 and 1989, the gross margins were 29 percent and 27 percent, respectively.

Operating expenses decreased by $.2 million to $5.5 million for the fourth quarter 1990 as compared to $5.7 million for the same period in 1989. The fourth quarter 1990 expenses are inclusive of a non-recurring corporate office relocation charge of $1.1 million. This relocation charge represents a cost reduction program which includes V Band's exercise of its option to cancel the lease on its corporate headquarters. V Band expects to achieve significant annual lease cost savings by relocating its corporate offices to a nearby location to be determined before January 1992.

For the fiscal year 1990, operating expenses declined $4.6 million to $14.9 million vs. the $19.4 million for 1989. When excluding a $1.1 million relocation charge from operating expenses in 1990, a $5.7 million or 29 percent reduction as compared to 1989 was achieved.

Although V Band recorded pre-tax losses of $9.7 million for 1990, its cash and marketable securities balances declined $.5 million to $19.3 million. V Band expects to receive a cash tax refund of approximately $3.7 million in 1991, which will more than offset the cash decline which occured during 1990.

V Band Corp. is a leader in the design and manufacturing of high-density, electronic key telephone systems used by world's leading financial industries in the trading and dealing of stocks bonds, commodities and currencies and by airlines, utilities, railroads, emergency services and the military in communications control centers.

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OCALA, FL (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Microdyne Corp. (NASDAQ:MCDY), a leading supplier of specialized radio frequency equipment and systems integration services, announced that it has signed a letter of intent to merge with Federal Technology Corp., a privately held computer technology company headquartered in Alexandria, Va.

The proposed transaction will be in the form of a tax-free merger, with Microdyne issuing 9,585,000 shares of Microdyne common stock for all outstanding Federal Technology stock. As a result of the merger, Phillip T. Cunningham, the president, chairman of the board and majority shareholder of Federal Technology, will become the controlling shareholder of the combined companies.

The transaction is subject to the execution of a definitive merger agreement, the approval of the definitive agreements by the board of directors and the shareholders of Microdyne and Federal Technology, regulatory and other approvals, and other customary conditions.

The parties expect to conclude the transaction during March, 1991.

Commenting on the pending transaction, Cunningham said, ''The proposed merger will provide efficient manufacturing capabilty to support growth in our expanding system integration and manufacturing support service operations and provide added management strength to support our anticipated growth.''

Kenneth G. Harple, chief executive officer of Microdyne, said the proposed merger ''will enhance our ability to market communication software products of our emerging PC Technology Division through the established Federal Technology distribution network.''

For its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, Federal Technology had after-tax earnings of approximately $3.1 million on gross revenues of approximately $35.7 million.

Federal Technology's comparable figures for fiscal 1989 were $1.6 million and $22.0 million.

Federal Technology Corp. was founded in 1984 as a provider of specialized network development and support services within the computer industry.

Today, Federal Technology's three primary business segments are manufacturing and marketing of the ''EXOS'' line of internetworking products for the LAN market, systems integration for government and commercial customers, and

providing support services for major computer manufacturers.

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SHREWSBURY, MA (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The Casual Male Corp. (OTC) (the ''Company''), debtor-in-possession under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, announced that the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Massachusetts (Western Division) has confirmed a plan of reorganization for the Company which provides for the acquisition by a subsidiary of J. Baker Inc. (NASDAQ:JBAK) of the business of the Company effective Feb. 2, 1991.

The plan of reorganization would grant to each stockholder of record of the Company the right to choose (1) to receve 25 cents for each share of common stock of the Company up to a maximum of $1,000 per stockholder of record, or (2) a pro rata share of 10 percent of the net-after-tax earnings of the subsidiary for seven years.

The Company voluntarily filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in April 1990. The Company currently operates approximately 185 Big & Tall Mens specialty stores throughout the Eastern half of the United States and is the largest men's big and tall retail chain in the country.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - American Airlines' purchase from TWA of six transatlantic routes to London from U.S. points seems certain to increase pressure for a new U.S./British bilateral air services agreement, according to the current issue of Aviation Week & Space Technology.

Dallas Bureau Chief David Brown reports the purchase may force the resolution of such issues as airport access restrictions, foreign ownership of air carriers and possibly other, long-standing issues between the two nations. However, bilateral talks late this week in London were expected to focus narrowly on the request by both American and United Airlines, which purchased similar routes to London from Pan American last month, to take over the two selling airlines' rights at London's Heathrow Airport.

In the most recent developments, American agreed to pay TWA $445 million for routes to London-Heathrow from New York, Boston, Los Angeles and Philadelphia. By purchasing these routes, American has regained parity with United, which had threatened to become the dominant U.S. carrier on the North Atlantic with its purchase of Pan Am routes. Brown reports that the sale of routes to American has had the side effect of aligning the two largest U.S. airlines to press jointly for more liberal access to London and other British cities. This is likely to trigger the biggest North Atlantic air services battle since the late 1970's.

Nippon Buys Boeing 777s: All Nippon Airways has become the second customer for Boeing's new 777, placing a firm order for 15 of the twinjets, valued at about $1.7 billion. San Francisco Bureau Chief Richard O'Lone reports the Japanese carrier also ordered five Airbus Industrie A340 four-engine, long-range transports. The aircraft from both manufacturers will replace Lockheed L-1011 trijets, All Nippon said.
The 777 will operate domestically, the A340 on long-range routes where traffic does not justify use of the larger Boeing 747. All Nippon took options for another ten 777s and five more A340s. Total value of the transaction, including options, spares and other equipment, could total nearly $6 billion, measured in delivery year dollars.

USSR Plans Smaller Booster: The Soviet Union is developing a small version of its Energia heavylift booster to place 40 metric tons in orbit, vs. the 100 metric tons for the standard Energia. Senior Space Technology Editor Craig Covault reports a test version of the small Energia, designated Energia-M, is undergoing facility checkout tests on an Energia launch pad at the Baikonur Cosmodrome. It was spotted initially by U.S. Central Intelligence Agency/Air Force imaging reconnaissance spacecraft. Monday's edition of Aviation Week carries an exclusive close-up ground photograph of the new launcher.

The December 24th edition also is the annual Vista issue, carrying editorial essays by each one of the magazine's distinguished editors on the gamut of issues affecting world aerospace.

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PEABODY, MA (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Warren Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:WRNB) announced Friday the election of Stephen G. Kasnet as chairman of the board of the corporation.

Kasnet is currently chairman of the board of the corporation's sole subsidiary Warren Five Cents Savings Bank, and has been a director of the corporation since its organization in 1988 and a director of the bank since 1983. Kasnet replaces Stephen J. Connolly, IV, who has been acting chairman of the board of Warren Bancorp since August 1990, and who will continue as a director of the corporation.

Warren Bancorp Inc. is the holding company for Warren Five Cents Savings Bank. A Massachusetts-chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank, Warren Five services the North Shore, Merrimack Valley and Cape Ann communities through eight branches and loan offices in Peabody, Beverly, Andover and Gloucester.

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KINGSTON, NY (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - National Micronetics Inc. (NASDAQ:NMIC) announced that the government of the Republic of Korea has approved the purchase by Newmax Co. Ltd., a Korean company, of 10,500,000 shares of common stock of NMI for $4,200,000.

Robert C. Ristagno, president and chief executive officer of NMI, said that the investment is anticipated to take place on Dec. 24, 1990.

Two million dollars of the proceeds of the investment will be applied by NMI to repay bridge loans which had been made by an affiliate of Newmax to NMI.

The institutional lender of NMI temporarily has waived its defaults in meeting several covenants in its loan agreements and has agreed to extend up to $500,000 of additional credit pending a closing of the investment by Newmax.

NMI is currently in discussions with its institutional lender, seeking an extension of the maturity date of certain short term loans and deferred installments of principal aggregating about $1.2 million which now mature on Jan. 10, 1991.

On Dec. 17, 1990, the board of directors of NMI elected three additional directors. Dr. Yoon H. Choo took office immediately and K.H. Chung and Dr. Hee Hwan Lee will take office after the closing of the investment by Newmax. Dr. Choo is president of Tae Il USA Inc. of Los Altos, Calif., Chung is president of Tae Il Media Co. Ltd. of Ansan City and Seoul, Korea and Dr. Lee is vice president of Tae Il Media Co. Ltd.

National Micronetics Inc. is an independent magnetic recording head manufacturer for the disk drive industry.

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OAKLAND, NJ (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The Dewey Electronics Corp. (OTC:DEWY) announced Friday that the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals has denied the company's motion for reconsideration of an appeal of a prior decision disallowing the company's claim for reimbursement of $1,386,000 of direct contract costs incurred by the company and requiring payment by the company to the government of $166,000.

As a result of this action, the company is required to write off $1,243,918 of direct contract costs currently carried as a long-term asset on the balance sheet.

The company currently is not in compliance with certain covenants under its long-term loan agreement and is in discussions with the bank regarding a waiver of such non-compliance.

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STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Northeast Bancorp Inc. Friday announced that given the further deterioration of the loan portfolio in October and November, it is projecting a sizeable loss for the fourth quarter which will approximate the $25 million loss recorded in the fourth quarter 1989.

The projected fourth quarter loss will result principally from an increase in the provision for possible loan losses needed to boost loan loss reserves to cover the increases in non-performing assets and loan charge-offs.

In commenting on this projection, Frank J. Kugler, Jr., chairman and CEO, indicated that ''The increase in non-performing assets since the third quarter reflects the severity of the economic decline in Connecticut which is affecting all business sectors as well as consumers.

''Fortunately, Northeast Bancorp entered this recession stongly capitalized which has enabled the company to absorb these losses. Based on year end

projections, our capital ratios will be well above regulatory minimums.''

Actual financial results for the fourth quarter and the full year are expected to be reported in mid-January.

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MILWAUKEE (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Power Inc. will release its first quarter 1991 earnings on Jan. 3, 1991.

In anticipation of this release, the following are relevant data about the performance of the company in the first quarter.

Orders for the quarter were $117.4 million, up 6.4 percent above the first quarter of 1990. Sales were $113.9 million, up 2.9 percent over the first quarter of 1990. Orders and sales by business segment for the quarter were as follows:

Operating profits for the Enerpac, Power-Packer and GB Electrical segments increased compared to 1990. The operating loss at Apitech increased compared to 1990 as a result of a reorganization of the manufacturing facilities in Butler. Operating profit at Wright Line declined because of a loss in the European operation and no change in the other units.

The largest year-to-year operating decline was at Barry Controls because of a change in sales mix at Barry Aerospace, and because of a change in sales mix and a lag of sales behind order increases at Barry Industrial. First quarter earnings are expected to fall below last year, but at this time are not finalized.

The level of orders and sales of the first quarter are expected to continue and enable Applied Power to reach its 1991 sales goal.

In anticipation of slower economic growth, the company some time ago started to selectively reduce employment. The total peaked at 3,600 in January, 1990. Since then, employment has been lowered by 50, and will be reduced again by the end of February to below 3,500. Excluding currency rate change the goal is to reduce employment expense to 1990 levels by the fourth quarter.

Applied Power is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the APWRA symbol. Applied Power is a global company which manufactures and distributes tools, equipment, systems, components and consumable items to manufacturing, construction, transportation, mobile equipment, aircraft, natural resource, specialized machinery and office markets.

All the company's products are directed at meeting the world's needs for improved productivity, safety and reliability in today's working world. Approximately 43 percent of the company's sales and assets are outside of the United States.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) announced that Asarco Australia Limited, a subsidiary, Friday completed the purchase of the 50% interest of the Wiluna gold mine held by its partner, Barrack Mines Limited.

The purchase for US$15.8 million (A$20.5 million) gives Asarco Australia full ownership of the mine.

Asarco Australia Limited is 60%-owned by ASARCO Incorporated. Its shares are listed on the Australian Stock Exchange.

The Wiluna mine, which has operated since 1987 as a joint venture, is located in Western Australia. Production during 1990 is expected to be approximately 135,000 ounces of gold.

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

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SAN DIEGO, CA (DEC. 25) BUSINESS WIRE - California Jamar Inc. (NASDAQ:JMAR)(Boston Stock Exchange:JMR) announced Friday that it had terminated the preliminary agreement for merger with Rocky Mountain Instrument Co. (RMI) due to the inability of RMI to meet certain financial requirements on which the merger was based.

California Jamar Inc. specializes in the development of advanced high energy density laser systems for a range of industrial and military applications, including optical communications, remote detection and X-Ray lithography for

semiconductor manufacturing.

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SOUTH HACKENSACK, NJ (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - AEP Industries Inc. (NASDAQ:AEPI) reports sales for the fourth quarter ended Oct. 31 of $36,096,000, a 15 percent increase over the $31,339,000 reported for the same quarter in 1989.

Increase in quarterly sales were achieved as a result of a 23 percent increase in volume, partially offset by a 7 percent reduction in average sales price.

Net income for the quarter was $1,058,000, or 22 cents per share, down from $1,783,000 or 38 (a) cents per share for the corresponding quarter in 1989. The weighted average number of shares outstanding for the 1990 fourth quarter was 4,775,000 compared to 4,735,000 (a) for the same quarter in 1989.

Sales for the fiscal year totalled $119,267,000, a 1.4 percent decrease from the $120,959,000 for 1989.

Gross profit for the year ended Oct. 31, was $27,896,000, an increase of 4 percent over the $26,714,000 reported in the prior year.

Net income for 1990 was $3,854,000 or 81 cents per share based on 4,763,000 average number of shares outstanding, compared to 5,325,000 or $1.15 (a) cents per share based on an average of 4,650,000 (a) shares outstanding for the same period in 1989, a 28 percent decrease.

AEP Industries Inc. manufactures, markets, and distributes an extensive range of polyethylene film products nationally which includes shrink bundle film agricultural row covers, mulch films, and stretch films. The company also offers a complete line of converted products and film for the converting industry.

AEP operates four manufacturing plants located in Moonachie, N.J.; Waxahachie, Texas; Matthews, N.C. and Los Angeles.

AEP Industries Inc.
Financial Highlights
Quarter ended Oct. 31,

1990	1989

Sales	$ 36,096,000	$ 31,339,000
Net income	$ 1,058,000	$ 1,783,000
Average Shares	4,775,000	4,735,000 (a)
Shares earnings	$ .22	$ .38

	Year ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989
Sales	$ 119,267,000	$ 120,959,000
Net income	$ 3,854,000	$ 5,325,000
Average Shares	4,763,000	4,650,000 (a)
Shares earnings	$ .81	$ 1.15 T

(a) Adjusted to reflect the effects of a 3 for 2 stock split effective Dec. 7, 1989.

CONTACT: AEP Industries Inc., South Hackensack
Melanie Barba, 201-641-6600

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DAYTON, OH (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Super Food Services Inc. (NYSE:SFS) Friday announced sales and earnings for the first 12 weeks of fiscal 1991 ending Nov. 17.

Super Food Services, one of the country's largest publicly-owned, voluntary food wholesalers reported net sales of $424,411,734 compared with $408,052,912 in the first 12 weeks of fiscal 1990 or an increase of 4 percent.

Net income for the first 12 weeks was $3,400,860 or 32 cents per common share vs. $3,710,356 or 35 cents per common share last year.

Jack Twyman, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, said, ''The latest results reflect substantially higher fuel costs which were not passed on to the company's customers, a larger provision for LIFO and smaller than expected sales growth.'' Twyman stated that the company was looking forward to improved results for the balance of the current fiscal year.

On Dec. 12, the company's board of directors approved the regular quarterly dividend of eight and one half cents (8 1/2) per share payable March 15, 1991, to shareholders of record Feb. 19, 1991.

Super Foods is a full-service wholesaler which distributes a complete line of food and non-food products to over 900 supermarkets in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana Kentucky and Florida.

This is an unaudited financial statement. Certain reclassifications have been made to prior years' amounts to make them comparable with the classifications of such amounts for fiscal year 1991.

CONTACT: Super Food Services Inc., Dayton
Robert Koogler, 513/439-7500

-30- 1720

#90355b0736 12/21/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Applied Microbiology Inc. (NASDAQ:APLY) Friday announced a major redirection of corporate operations towards commercial marketing of its AMBICIN antibacterial agents and away from basic multi-directional research.

In explaining the shift in priorities, David Guttmann, chairman of the company stated that ''This is the logical and desired corporate progression made possible by the successful development of AMBICINs, natural and powerful antimicrobial compounds.

''Our basic research costs on AMBICINs are now behind us and we are entering an exciting and significant new phase in our coporate history. We expect to begin generating product and raw material sales in 1991.''

AMBICINs have been proven to successfully eliminate harmful bacteria and therefore have tremendous potential in such multi-billion dollar markets as oral care, animal veterinary medicine, dermatology, and industrial applications.

To penetrate these markets Applied has established strategic partnerships with some of the leading pharmaceutical and drug companies in the world.

Agreements are now in effect with Pfizer Inc., Calgon Vestal Laboratories, a subsidiary of Merck and Co., Babson Brothers and Burns, Philp and Co. Ltd., and additional agreements are envisioned shortly with major European and Japanese concerns.

Guttmann concluded, ''Reducing our research budget will save over $500,000 per year in overhead with, we expect, no adverse effects on the scientific and technical support we will provide our strategic partners. Our sole thrust for the 1990's will be to expand our existing strategic partnerships, form new relationships and successfully commercialize our AMBICIN formulations.''

CONTACT: Applied Microbiology Inc., Brooklyn, N.Y.
David Guttmann, 718/852-5353
by
VMW Inc., New York
Vicki Weiner, 212/490-6075

-30- 2089

#90355b0739 12/21/1990 ~Business Wire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Dover Regional Financial Shares, a closed-end management investment company, declared a distribution on Dec. 20, announced Chairman of the Board of Trustees Betsy Z. Cohen.

A dividend of 7 cents per share on shares of beneficial interest representing a distribution of net investment income will be paid to shareholders of record as of Dec. 31.

The date of distribution will be Jan. 23, 1991. Distributions to shareholders whose shares are registered in their own name will be automatically reinvested pursuant to the Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan in additional shares of the fund.

Dover Regional Financial Shares invests in the equity securities of sub-regional banks and stock savings institutions with total assets of under $1 billion for investors seeking capital appreciation over a 3-to-5-year period.

Dover Regional Financial Shares is traded on the NASDAQ quotation system with the symbol ''DVRFS.''

CONTACT: Dover Regional Financial Shares, Philadelphia
Donna Zanghi, 215/735-5001 or 800/468-4017

-30- 1262

#90355b0740 12/21/1990 ~Business Wire

BOHEMIA, NY (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Eagle Interco Inc. (formerly Eagle Pharmaceuticals Inc.) announced Friday that it has been temporarily enjoined from using the trademark ''Psor-A-Set'' and the patent pending under which it manufactures and markets its principal product line. The company also announced that it intends to file an immediate appeal of the Court's decision.

CONTACT: Eagle Interco Inc., Bohemia
Jonathan D. Klein, 516/567-0440

-30- 629

#90355b0741 12/21/1990 ~Business Wire

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - EnviroSource Inc. reported Friday that it will omit regular quarterly dividends aggregating approximately $1.4 million otherwise payable in Jan. 1991 on its Class G $7.25 Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock and Class H Cumulative Preferred Stock.

EnviroSource supplies industrial customers with long-term, specialized services, primarily the recycling, handling, stabilization or landfilling of environmentally sensitive wastes or by-products.

CONTACT: EnviroSource Inc., Stamford
George E. Fuehrer, 203/321-1107

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#90355b0742 12/21/1990 ~Business Wire

VERNON HILLS, IL (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Scotsman Industries, Inc. (NYSE: SCT) said Friday that the company's previously announced plans to acquire a majority interest in Industria Tecnica Valenciana (ITV), a Spanish ice machine manufacturing company, have been delayed.

Scotsman earlier had announced it expected to close the transaction in the fourth quarter. Due to the death of one of the principals of privately-held ITV, negotiations are continuing and are not expected to be finalized before the end of 1990.

In August, Scotsman announced that it had signed a letter of intent to acquire 75 percent of the shares of ITV, subject to completion of a definitive agreement and the arrangement of satisfactory financing.

Additionally, Richard C. Osborne, president and chief executive officer of Scotsman stated that due to continued progress and strong cash flow from operations, the company has elected at this time to prepay $10 million of long-term debt. This improves the company's debt to equity ratio to 1.8 to 1, down from 3 to 1 at the beginning of the year, its lowest level since becoming public in April of 1989. Scotsman Industries, Inc. is a market leader in the manufacture of commercial refrigeration products, with a primary market focus on the food service industry. The global manufacturing and marketing of ice machines is the largest component of Scotsman Industries' business.

CONTACT: Scotsman Industries Inc., Vernon Hills
Don Holmes, 708/215-4600

-30- 1691

#90355b0744 12/21/1990 ~Business Wire

CHICAGO (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Ameritech and Knowledge Data Systems, Inc. have reached a definitive agreement under which Ameritech will acquire all outstanding shares of Knowledge Data Systems for a cash price of approximately $0.94 per share.

The total cost of the transaction to Ameritech will be about $26 million.

Under the terms of an acquisition agreement signed December 21, 1990 between the two companies, a cash tender offer will commence prior to December 31, 1990, and is expected to be completed by the end of January 1991. In connection with the acquisition agreement, Ameritech was granted an option by

the company and certain stockholders of the company to purchase up to approximately 40 percent of the outstanding shares of Knowledge Data Systems on a fully diluted basis at the same price.

Following successful completion of the tender offer, Knowledge Data Systems will operate as a unit of Ameritech Information Systems, a subsidiary formed in 1989 to serve the increasingly complex communications and information management needs of Ameritech's business customers.

Knowledge Data Systems, which is based in the San Francisco Bay area, provides integrated, multi-application data processing systems and related services to healthcare institutions and independent medical laboratories throughout the United States. The company has 90 employees.

''Knowledge Data Systems is a leader in the creation and integration of clinical information systems designed to serve the healthcare industry, '' said Roger L. Plummer, president and chief executive officer of Ameritech Information Systems. ''As we grow Ameritech's ability to serve that important market, it will be an outstanding complement to our existing capabilities.''

''Ameritech's outstanding communications technology and financial backing will allow us to further extend our product differentiation,'' said James D. Durham, president of Knowledge Data Systems. ''Ameritech will provide the types of systems and customer support that will be essential for health care institutions in the coming decade.''

Knowledge Data Systems markets its products throughout the U.S. and internationally. Major customers include Henry Ford Health System (Detroit), Kaiser Permanente (Oakland, CA) and the University of Minnesota Hospital and Clinics (Minneapolis).

Knowledge Data Systems trades over the counter and is identified by the NASDQ symbol KDSI. The company has 26.4 million shares held by approximately 1,800 shareowners.

Ameritech is the Chicago-based parent of Bell companies serving Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin, and of other information-related companies providing mobile communications, directory publishing, lease financing and voice messaging services. Its 1989 revenues exceeded $10.2 billion.

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Dal Harris, (Ameritech Information Systems) 312/906-4204
or
Knowledge Data Systems, San Francisco
Jim Durham, 415/461-5374

-30- 3257
#90355b0749 12/21/1990 ~Business Wire
HORSHAM, PA (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The Frankford Corporation (NASDAQ:FKFD) parent of Frankford Bank, announced Friday that it will add approximately $2 million to its reserve for loan losses during the fourth quarter of 1990 principally to reflect the continued weakening of the local economy and deterioration in the regional real estate market.

As a result of this action, the corporation anticipates a reduction in earnings of approximately $1.2 million resulting in fourth-quarter earnings of approximately $400,000 compared to $1,704,000 earned in 1989.

The anticipated results will not affect the payment of the corporation's previously announced dividend of 33 cents per share payable Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 5.

CONTACT: The Frankford Corporation, Horsham
Michael J. Heine, vice president, 215/956-7014

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#90355b0765 12/21/1990 ~Business Wire
DALLAS (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Halliburton Co. (NYSE:HAL) Friday filed a Form S-3 registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering a proposed public offering of the company's debt securities with an aggregate initial offering price not to exceed $500 million.

Halliburton may offer and sell from time to time one or more series of its debt securities on terms to be determined at the time of the offering.

It is expected that an offering under the terms and conditions of the registration statement may be made during the first quarter of 1991. The net proceeds of the offering will be added to the company's general funds and used for general corporate purposes unless otherwise indicated at time of sale.

Halliburton Co. is one of the world's largest diversified oil field services, engineering and construction companies. Founded in 1919, Halliburton provides oil field services and products, industrial and marine engineering and construction services, and property and casualty insurance services.

CONTACT: Halliburton Co., Dallas
Guy T. Marcus, 214/978-2691

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#90355b0767 12/21/1990 ~Business Wire
SAN MARCOS, CA (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - The board of directors of Natural

Alternatives International Inc. (NASDAQ:NATA), manufacturer of specially formulated vitamins and minerals, has authorized the company to repurchase up to 5 percent of NAI's outstanding common stock at market prices not to exceed $3 per share, Mark A. LeDoux, president announced Friday.

The company currently has 3,846,549 shares outstanding.

''General weakness of the stock market, together with our forecast of a loss in the second fiscal quarter, has produced a decline of more than 50 percent in the price of our stock,'' LeDoux said.

''However, our expectation of a strong second half recovery and resumption of our rapid growth in fiscal 1992 makes a stock buyback seem to be an excellent current use of our corporate funds.''

LeDoux said the repurchase plan is now in effect, with purchases to be made from the open market at management's discretion.

CONTACT: Natural Alternatives International Inc., San Marcos
William P. Spencer, 619/744-7340
by
Loring Corporate Services Inc., New York
212/943-0620

-30- 1312
#90355b0769 12/21/1990 ~Business Wire

MUSKEGON, MI (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - SPX Corp. announced Friday that it has agreed to acquire the assets of the special tools business of The Triangle Corp.

The business, formerly known as Miller Special Tools Division, is located in Garden City, Mich. It designs, assembles and distributes special service tools for motor vehicles and had 1989 annual revenues approaching $10 million.

Commenting on today's announcement, Dale A. Johnson, president and chief executive officer of SPX said, ''Miller Special Tools' reputation for quality and customer service will compliment SPX Corporation's world-wide leadership in special service tools and equipment. Its addition will enhance service to our global customers and we believe Miller Special Tools will be an important contributor to our future.''

SPX Corp., a Fortune 500 company, is a world leader in the design, production and distribution of specialty repair tools and equipment and the distribution of repair parts to the motor vehicle service industry.

CONTACT: SPX Corp., Muskegon
John Tyson, 616/724-5406

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#90355b0777 12/21/1990 ~Business Wire
MITCHEL FIELD, NY (DEC. 21) BUSINESS WIRE - Frequency Electronics Inc. previously reported the pendency of a U.S. Government Grand Jury investigation involving mischarging of government contracts.

On Dec. 17, the company, Martin B. Bloch, its president and a director, Abraham Lazar, a director, Harry Newman, its Secretary/Treasurer, and another employee received notices from the U.S. Department of Justice that they are targets of a Grand Jury investigation of allegations that they violated federal criminal law involving conspiracy to defraud the United States with respect to claims, false claims, false statements and other violations.

The company regards the charges or claims of violations of Government laws or regulations as extremely serious and recognizes that such charges or claims could have a material adverse affect on it. The company's business is primarily dependent upon contracts with the U.S. Government and contracts and subcontracts with other companies as to which the U.S. Government or its agencies are the end user.

Under the law, a Grand Jury indictment of the company or any of its officers, directors or employees, can result in suspension or debarment of the company from receiving U.S. Government contracts for a specified period of time.

Upon a conviction or in a civil proceeding, the U.S. Government may seek fines penalties, restitution, forfeitures and possibly, treble damages. The company has been advised that the investigation has nothing to do with either the integrity or quality of its products. The company is continuing to cooperate with the government.

CONTACT: Frequency Electronics Inc., Mitchel Field
Martin B. Bloch, 516/794-4500

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#90355c0002 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Panhandle Royalty Co.(TICKER: PANR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,830,321	$2,465,667
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00

NET INCOME (LOSS)	$517,607	$402,590
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.75	$0.58

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$7,256,468	$7,291,641
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,646,878	$5,657,107

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#90355c0003 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 13, 1990, Homestead Holding Corp.(TICKER: HMSD) announced it has entered a consulting agreement with John O. Vartan, a Pennsylvania businessman.

Pursuant to that agreement, the company states, it expects to draw on Vartan's expertise in the real estate and financing fields.

Additionally, Homestead and Vartan have executed a stock purchase agreement by which Vartan has agreed to purchase newly issued shares of the company's common stock for $3.50 per share, and was granted options for a two-year period to purchase up to an additional 15% of Homestead's common shares for a purchase price equal to the lesser of $3.50 per share or the average market bid price over the 45 calendar-day period immediately preceding the exercise of an option.

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#90355c0004 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Marine Sports Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,814,052	$4,831,054
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(212,100)	$(89,477)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.03)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,234,215	2,795,918

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,757,313	$6,349,843
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,101,973	$1,264,073

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#90355c0006 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Polydex Pharmaceuticals Ltd.(TICKER: POLX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$593,561	$585,565
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(447,738)	$(501,525)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.03)

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,708,511	$3,803,115
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,206,961	$1,473,187

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#90355c0007 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Rally's Inc.(TICKER: RLLY) announced that on Nov. 28, 1990, J. Douglas Kannapell, senior vice president of franchise operations, and Gregg Kaplan, vice president of marketing, notified the company of their resignations pursuant to their severance protection agreements.

On Dec. 2, 1990, Richard F. Sherman notified Rally's that although he wishes to remain involved with the company as a director and as chairman of the board he resigned as president and chief executive officer, also pursuant to his severance protection agreement.

These agreements, Rally's states, allowed the executives to resign and receive substantial severance benefits from the company during the 60-day period following Nov. 21, 1990.

Rally's states that pursuant to agreements with the remaining key employees

dated Dec. 17, 1990, the company has made certain loans to each of the remaining key employees, bearing interest at an annual rate of 8 1/2%, in an aggregate amount of approximately $380,000, in consideration of several eventualities.

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#90355c0008 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows in November, 1990, Vermont Financial Services Corp.(TICKER: VFSC) mailed to its shareholders an offer to purchase odd-lot share of the company's common stock.

The offer was open to shareholders who owned, of record or beneficially (including shares held jointly), an aggregate of 99 or fewer shares at the close of business on Oct. 30, 1990.

The offer expired at 5 p.m. on Dec. 7, 1990, and Vermont states that pursuant to the offer, 56 shareholders redeemed a total of 1.15 million shares at a price of $8.0536 per share.

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#90355c0009 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 16, 1990, Ryan, Beck & Co. Inc.(TICKER: RBCO) commenced, at a price of $3 per share, a self-tender offer to purchase up to 1.25 million shares of its common stock.

Pursuant to the terms of the offer, the company reserved the right to purchase more than 1.25 million shares.

The offer expired Dec. 14, 1990, and resulted in the repurchase by Ryan of 1.34 million shares of its common stock for $4.01 million.

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#90355c0010 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Jones Growth Partners II L.P. filed to offer 75,000 limited partnership interests at $1,000 per interest, for a total of $75.0 million.

Jones states the minimum purchase is five interests at $5,000, with one interest at $1,000 for individual retirement accounts and qualified plans.

This an offer of limited partnership interests in Jones, a limited partnership to be formed under the laws of the state of Colorado. The general partner of the partnership, Jones reports, will be Jones Spacelink Cable Corp. The partnership will engage primarily in the acquisition, development and

operation of cable television properties in the U.S. The minimum capitalization of the partnership will be $1.0 million. Principal investment objectives of the partnership are to obtain capital appreciation in the value of its properties, to preserve and protect invested capital and to obtain equity buildup through debt reduction.

The offering is managed by Lehman Brothers and by Dean Witter Reynolds Inc.

The company's executive offices are located at 9697 E. Mineral Ave., Englewood Colorado 80112, and its telephone number is (303) 792-9191.

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#90355c0011 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. filed to offer an exchange of $465 in cash and 110 shares of common stock of Nabisco for each $1,000 principal amount of subordinated exchange debentures, due 2007, of RJR Nabisco Holdings Group Inc. up to $752.69 million principal amount.

RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. states it is one of the world's largest tobacco and food companies. It is the second leading domestic producer of cigarettes and is a major participant in the international cigarette business. It also produces a wide range of food products, including cookies, crackers, snacks, nuts, cereals and confectionery products.

The offering is managed by Morgan Stanley & Co. and by Merrill Lynch & Co. (TICKER: MER).

The company's executive address is 1301 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10019, and its telephone number is (212) 258-5600.

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#90355c0012 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The registration statement filed at the SEC shows Pace Medical Inc.(TICKER: PMED) filed an amendment to its registration statement filed July 14, 1987, in which the common stock and warrants of the company were offered as a unit. The warrant included in each unit was immediately exercisable and separately transferable upon issuance. It entitled the holder to purchase one share of common stock for a three-year period, beginning upon issuance at an exercise price of $2.50. The warrants could be redeemed by Pace at a price of $0.25 per warrant on 30 days' prior written notice by the company, commencing two years after issuance.

On July 27, 1990, the warrants were amended to extend the exercise period for one year to July 29, 1991, by reducing the exercise price from $2.50 to $2, and by providing that the warrants may be redeemed by the company at $0.05 per

warrant on 30 days' prior written notice by the company at any time.

The offering is managed by Culverwell & Co.

The company's offices are located at 391 Totten Pond Road, Waltham, Massachusetts 02154, and its telephone number is (617) 890-5656.

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#90355c0014 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:55 that trade in Ameribanc Inc.(NASDAQ: ABNK) has been halted pending news. The last bid-ask was 12 3/4, 13 3/4. The company is located in St. Joseph, Missouri.

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#90355c0015 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Daltex Medical Sciences Inc.(TICKER: DLTX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$58,380	$149,989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(190,429)	$(74,892)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	8,082,699	8,082,699

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,460,380	$1,674,605
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,041,641	$1,232,070

The company, a development stage enterprise, reports its management is working on a number of development projects which involve experimental and unproven technologies, some of which may require many years and substantial expenditures to complete. Its executive offices are located at 50 Kulick Road, Fairfield, New Jersey 07004, and its telephone number is (201) 227-5066.

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#90355c0016 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 19, 1990, Washington Trust Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: WASH) reported it expects to make a loan loss provision charge to earnings of approximately $6.0 million in the fourth quarter of 1990.

The company states the provision will result in a substantial net loss of for the quarter, but it expects to report a small profit for the full year ending Dec. 31, 1990.

The provision, the bank states, is due to continued deterioration in the local real estate market and a resultant increase in the level of nonperforming assets.

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#90355c0017 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Codenoll Technology Corp.(TICKER: CODN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,553,200	$2,345,855
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(443,260)	$(444,022)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.10)	$(0.10)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,585,510	4,572,643

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,756,801	$7,925,582
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$4,148,723	$5,719,194

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#90355c0018 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by H.J. Heinz Co.(TICKER: HNZ).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended	Oct. 31, 1990	Nov. 1, 1989

REVENUES	$1,644,580	$1,531,078
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$139,770	$125,395
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.52	$0.47

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	May 2, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,014,538	$4,487,451
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,014,538	$4,487,451

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#90355c0019 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Legend Foods Inc.(TICKER: LGFD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$320,654	$527,432
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(140,607)	$(309,836)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.02)

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,618,032	$769,742
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,223,032	$(454,698)

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#90355c0020 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Silk Greenhouse Inc.(TICKER: SGHI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$24,073,000	$21,879,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(14,958,000)	$1,122,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.57)	$0.12

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$89,612,000	$107,346,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(774,000)	$32,789,000

-30- 981

#90355c0022 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows at a meeting of Convergent Solutions Inc.'s (TICKER: CSOL) board of directors on Dec. 18, 1990, the company accepted the resignation of Laventhol & Horwath as its certifying accountants, as a result of Laventhol & Horwath's filing for bankruptcy protection.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 695

#90355c0023 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by American Cytogenetics Inc.(TICKER: ACYT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,445,724	$1,533,583
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(10,841)	$(9,275)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,239,246	2,143,733

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,531,851	$1,777,823
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$627,195	$412,538

-30- 1060
#90355c0024 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 13, 1990, Allied Research Corp.(TICKER: ARAI) announced that Kenneth C. Lundeen resigned as a director of the company to avoid any possible conflict of interest which might arise because of his function as an executor of the estate of M.B. Ruffin.

-30- 473
#90355c0025 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 14, 1990, Central Banking System Inc.(TICKER: CSYS) engaged the firm of Price Waterhouse as its independent accountants to replace KPMG Peat Marwick.

-30- 384
#90355c0026 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:47 that trade in Synergen Inc.(NASDAQ: SYGN) has been resumed. The first sale was 18; up 3/4 point from the halt, and up 3/4 point from the previous close.

-30- 348
#90355c0027 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:57 that trade in Ameribanc Inc.(NASDAQ: ABNK) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 12 1/2, 14; down 1/4 point from the halt, and up 1/4 point from the previous close.

-30- 363
#90355c0028 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 7 1990, NCC Industries Inc.(TICKER: NCDI) retained Coopers & Lybrand as the company's new independent accountants, pursuant to the resignation of Laventhol & Horwath from that office due to bankruptcy proceedings.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 649
#90355c0030 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 11, 1990, DEP Corp.(TICKER: DEPC) engaged KPMG Peat Marwick as its independent accountants for fiscal 1991, and dismissed its former accountants, Laventhol &

Horwath, which had filed a Chapter 11 bankruptcy petition in November, 1990.

For the previous two fiscal years, audits performed by those former auditors contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion nor were they modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

-30- 656

#90355c0031 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Oceaneering International Inc.(TICKER: OCER) announced that Amoco-Gabon Marin Co., a subsidiary of Amoco Production Co., has awarded Oceaneering International Services Ltd. a contract to provide a Floating Production Storage and Offloading (FPSO) System to be installed in the Gombe-Beta Field Offshore Gabon.

-30- 549

#90355c0032 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Leadville Mining and Milling Corp.(TICKER: LDMM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$412	$1,302
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(138,929)	$(100,266)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.00)	$(0.00)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	64,343,909	56,861,272

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,505,900	$1,589,058
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,459,477	$1,533,406

The company reports that while it has not yet obtained any revenues from its mining operations, it has placed itself in a position wherein management is hopeful that some revenues will be obtained. It has engaged in pilot milling of ores obtained from its mine and these ores have been refined into concentrates. The company's address is 76 Beaver Street, New York, New York 10005, and its telephone number is (212) 344-5158.

-30- 1523
#90355c0033 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 14, 1990, Guy F. Atkinson Co.(TICKER: ATKN) announced that the company would take a sizeable fourth-quarter charge that would result in a loss for 1990.

The charge, in the amount of $20.0 million, reflects losses in two of the company's construction operations and several nonrecurring items, according to Thomas J. Henderson, chief executive officer of Atkinson.

Henderson noted that Atkinson is restructuring and consolidating its construction operations to focus them more closely to "marketplace realities and opportunities."

Accordingly, the company's board of directors voted to omit the next quarterly dividend.

-30- 864
#90355c0034 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:31 that trade in Microdyne Corp.(NASDAQ: MCDY) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 7/8. The company is located in Ocala, Florida.

-30- 336
#90355c0035 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:57 that trade in Applied Power Inc.(NASDAQ: APWR) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 14 1/2. The company is located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

-30- 349
#90355c0036 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:20 that trade in Warehouse Club Inc.(NASDAQ: WCLB) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 1 1/4. The company is located in Skokie, Illinois.

-30- 346
#90355c0038 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC. OWNS 3,539,269 SHARES (31.66%) OF PITTWAY

CORP.(TICKER: PRY) OF NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 18, 1990 to Dec. 18, Gabelli Funds, et al. bought 150,689 shares at $16.50 to $20.46 each and sold 57,932 shares at $16.50 to $20.13 each. GAMCO gave up beneficial ownership of 43,130 shares.

-30- 552
#90355c0039 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

SKANSKA AB OWNS 1,355,116 SHARES (22.80%) OF BANISTER INC (TICKER: BAN) OF EDMONTON, ALBERTA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Skanska AB bought 466,503 shares at $9.78 each on Nov. 7, 1990 from Churchill Corp.

PURPOSE:

Increase position.

-30- 433
#90355c0040 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 18, 1990, NCR Corp.(TICKER: NCR) and the individual defendants filed a motion to dismiss the complaint in the consolidated action for failure to make a pre-litigation demand on the company's board of directors and for a protective order staying discovery.

-30- 469
#90355c0041 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:34 that trade in Northeast Bancorp. Inc.(NASDAQ: NBIC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 7. The company is located in Stamford, Connecticut.

-30- 355
#90355c0042 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:44 that trade in Star States Corp.(NASDAQ: STSS) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 2 1/8. The company is located in Wilmington, Delaware.

-30- 347
#90355c0043 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 2:10 that trade in EnClean Inc. (NASDAQ:ENCL) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 13. The company is located in Alvin, Texas.

-30- 326
#90355c0044 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 2:15 that trade in Microdyne Corp. (NASDAQ:MCDY) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/2; up 3/8 of a point from the halt and the previous close.

-30- 339
#90355c0047 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 2:23 that trade in Northeast Bancorp (NASDAQ:NBIC) has been resumed. The first bid-ask was 6 1/2; down 1/2 of a point from the halt, and down 1/2 of a point from the previous close.

-30- 375
#90355c0048 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 2:45 that trade in Applied Power Inc. (NASDAQ:APWRA) has been resumed. The first sale was 14 3/4; up 1/4 of a point from the halt and the previous close.

-30- 348
#90355c0049 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:19 that trade in Star States Corp.(NASDAQ: STSS) has been resumed. The first sale was 2 1/8; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 343
#90355c0050 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 15:50 that trade in Enclean Inc.(NASDAQ: ENCL) has been resumed. The first sale was 11 1/2; down 1

1/2 points from the halt, and down 1 1/4 points from the previous close.

-30- 359
#90355c0051 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 14:52 that trade in Knowledge Data Systems Inc.(NASDAQ: KDSI) has been resumed. The first bid- ask was 7/8, 15/16; down 1/8 point from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 376
#90355c0052 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.D. NORBERTE OF 22872 POCETAS, MISSION VIEJO, CALIFORNIA 92692, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,038 SHARES OF TOUCHSTONE SOFTWARE CORP.(TICKER: TOSS) THROUGH CRUTTENDEN & CO. INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 12, 1990.

(TOUCHSTONE SOFTWARE CORP. TEL: 213 598-7746)

-30- 450
#90355c0053 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - S.R.B. BINGHAM OF 110 RICHMOND ST E, SUITE 504, TORONTO CANADA M5C 1, OV HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF ALIAS RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: ADDD) THROUGH WESSELS ARNOLD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 19, 1990.

(ALIAS RESEARCH INC. TEL: 416 362-9181)

-30- 432
#90355c0055 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D. MELNICK OF 20 EAST LAWN, HOLMDEL, NEW JERSEY 07733, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF PENTECH INTERNATIONAL INC.(TICKER: PNTK) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 17, 1990.

(PENTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 201 287-6640)

-30- 423
#90355c0056 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D. MELNICK OF 20 EAST LAWN, HOLMDEL, NEW JERSEY 07733, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF PENTECH INTERNATIONAL INC.(TICKER: PNTK) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 17, 1990.

(PENTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 201 287-6640)

-30- 423
#90355c0057 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - N. MELNICK OF 20 BROOKFALL RD, EDISON, NEW JERSEY 08817, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF PENTECH INTERNATIONAL INC.(TICKER: PNTK) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 17, 1990.

(PENTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 201 287-6640)

-30- 427
#90355c0058 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W.E. REED III OF 1748 CASSELBERRY RD, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40205, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF VENCOR INTERNATIONAL THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 14, 1990.

(VENCOR INTERNATIONAL TEL: 502 569-7300)

-30- 413
#90355c0059 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EGAN BERNARD A TRUSTEE OF 1000 ALFRED NOBEL DR, HERCULES, CALIFORNIA 94547, HAS FILED TO SELL 53,875 CLASS A SHARES OF BIO-RAD LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: BIO) THROUGH ROTHSCHILD INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 18, 1990.

(BIO-RAD LABORATORIES INC. TEL: 415 724-7000)

-30- 468
#90355c0060 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R.S. FREED OF 19601 ROMAR ST, NORTHRIDGE, CALIFORNIA 91324, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF 3-D SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TDSS) THROUGH SOUTHCOAST CAP CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 19, 1990.

(3-D SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 604 683-4201)

-30- 410
#90355c0061 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.L. ROBINSON OF 13659 SO 2780 WEST, P.O. BOX 388, RIVERTON, UTAH 84065, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF PAN WORLD MINERALS INT'L INC. THROUGH WASATCH STOCK TRADING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 18, 1990.

(PAN WORLD MINERALS INTL INC. TEL: 801 261-3888)

-30- 452
#90355c0063 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WALTRIP ROBERT L JR TRUST OF 306 WEST 7TH AVE, STE 1000, FT WORTH CLUB BL FT WORTH, TX 76102, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,710 SHARES OF CASH AMERICA INVESTMENT INC. (TICKER: PWN) THROUGH RSCB SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CASH AMERICA INVESTMENT INC. TEL: 817 335-1100)

-30- 493
#90355c0064 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS G FAIRBAIRN OF 14253 HILLTOP WAY, SARATOGA, CA 95070, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF VLSI TECHNOLOGY INC. (TICKER: VLSI) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(VLSI TECHNOLOGY INC. TEL: 408 434-3000)

-30- 419
#90355c0065 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NANCY K HILLENBRAND OF 334 NORTH HUNTERVILLE RD, BATESVILLE, IN 47006, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS) THROUGH REYNOLDS DEWITT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. TEL: 614 833-9155)

-30- 460
#90355c0066 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT E MCKNIGHT JR OF 14000 HARBOUR PLACE, STE 150, PROSPECT, KY 40059 HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(RALLY'S INC. TEL: 502 245-8900)

-30- 411
#90355c0067 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM FORMAN OF 8302 YORK RD, BRIAR HOUSE, ELKINS PARK, PA 19117, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A (TICKER: OBS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(O'BRIEN ENERGY SYSTEMS INC. CL A TEL: 215 627-5500)

-30- 466
#90355c0068 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WATSON E PERRY OF 1045 WEST 3925 N, OGDEN, UT 84414, HAS FILED TO SELL 150,000 SHARES OF TSL INC. (TICKER: TSLI) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(TSL INC. TEL: 801 879-2399)

-30- 380
#90355c0069 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SUVO CORP OF P O BOX 20302, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80156, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,380,000 SHARES OF FI-TEK III INC. (TICKER: VSIT) THROUGH WILLIAM BARTON FINL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(FI-TEK III INC. TEL: 404 242-7566)

-30- 396

#90355c0071 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL W DUNAWAY OF 18075 POLVERA WAY, SAN DIEGO, CA 92128, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF PSICOR INC. (TICKER: PCOR) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(PSICOR INC. TEL: 619 485-5599)

-30- 397
#90355c0072 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MORAMERICA CAPITAL CORPORATION OF 300 AMERICAN BLDG, CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52401, HAS FILED TO SELL 46,100 SHARES OF TERRANO CORP. (TICKER: TRNO) THROUGH CRAIG-HALLUM INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(TERRANO CORP. TEL: 402 483-7831)

-30- 422
#90355c0073 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CONGRESS COMPANY OF 2 PLUM STREET, CINCINNATI, OH 45202, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS) THROUGH REYNOLDS DEWITT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 10, 1990.

(MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. TEL: 614 833-9155)

-30- 437
#90355c0074 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS P ANDERSON OF 6401 WELCOME AVE N, 0, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55429, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,500 SHARES OF CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. (TICKER: CESH) THROUGH JOHN G KINNARD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(CE SOFTWARE HLDGS INC. TEL: 515 224-1995)

-30- 439
#90355c0075 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - W E EZELL III OF 108 WESTHAMPTON, NASHVILLE, TN 37205, HAS FILED TO SELL

10,000 SHARES OF REN CORP. USA (TICKER: RENL) THROUGH EQUITABLE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(REN CORP. USA TEL: 615 352-7991)

-30- 389
#90355c0076 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - INTERNATIONAL ISLAMIC EDL INST OF 10351 PARKVIEW AVE, WESTMINSTER, CA 92683, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF AST RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: ASTA) THROUGH BARRINGER RYAN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(AST RESEARCH INC. TEL: 714 727-4141)

-30- 441
#90355c0077 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - J MICHAEL KENYON OF 820 SIXTEENTH ST #415, DENVER, CO 80202, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CROWN RESOURCE CORP. (TICKER: CRRS) THROUGH LOM WESTERN SECS LTD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(CROWN RESOURCE CORP. TEL: 303 534-2110)

-30- 422
#90355c0079 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THEODORE C DANTIS OF 869-89TH ST, MARATHON, FL 33050, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,000 SHARES OF DYNAMIC HOMES INC. (TICKER: DYHM) THROUGH SUMMIT INVSTMNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 14, 1990.

(DYNAMIC HOMES INC. TEL: 218 847-2611)

-30- 412
#90355c0080 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAVALIER FAMILY TRUST OF 810 W. MAUDE AVE, SUNNYVALE, CA 94086, HAS FILED TO SELL 48,000 SHARES OF MASS MICROSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MMIC) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(MASS MICROSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 408 733-5499)

-30- 440
#90355c0081 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEDDY LAWRENCE T TTEE OF 13300 SW 128ST STREET, MIAMI, FL 33186, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,999 SHARES OF NOVEN PHARMACEUTICALS INC. (TICKER: NOVN) THROUGH UNKNOWN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(NOVEN PHARMACEUTICALS INC. TEL: 305 253-5099)

-30- 444
#90355c0082 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GUIDO IACOVELLI OF 2317 VESTAL PANE, VESTAL, NY 13850, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CRYOMEDICAL SCIENCES INC. (TICKER: CMSI) THROUGH D H BLAIR & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CRYOMEDICAL SCIENCES INC. TEL: 301 913-9000)

-30- 433
#90355c0083 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VERTEX INVESTMENT PTE LTD OF 3 LAGOON DR, SUITE 350, REDWOOD CITY, CA 94065, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH VOLPE WELTY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 19, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 418
#90355c0084 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ENVIRONMENTAL DIAGNOSTICS INC OF 1238 ANTHONY RD, 0, BURLINGTON, NC 27215, HAS FILED TO SELL 423,533 SHARES OF DISEASE DETECTION INTL INC. (TICKER: DDII) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 19, 1990.

(DISEASE DETECTION INTL INC. TEL: 714 753-1190)

-30- 477
#90355c0085 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EXXON CORP ANNUITY TR OF 4401 GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY, P O BOX 58185, SANTA CLARA, CA 95052, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,312 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH HAMBRECHT & QUIST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 19, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 408 988-2400)

-30- 490
#90355c0087 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SYMONDS TRUST CO LTD OF 2040 NORTH LOOP WEST #200, HOUSTON, TX 77018, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,834 SHARES OF TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: TTRA) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 713 367-1983)

-30- 445
#90355c0088 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEHIGH UNIVERSITY OF 600 MADISON AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,000 SHARES OF CHRIS-CRAFT INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CCN) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(CHRIS-CRAFT INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 212 421-0200)

-30- 437
#90355c0089 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT L KLOSTERMAN OF 5444 FOREST RIDGE CIRCLE, MILFORD, OH 45150, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,181 SHARES OF STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH COR (TICKER: SDRC) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH COR TEL: 513 576-2000)

-30- 473
#90355c0090 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NEILL H BROWNSTEIN OF 415 LOWELL AVE, PALO ALTO, CA 94301, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,642 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 443
#90355c0091 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARK W TANZER OF 508 WANDA DR, 0, NASHVILLE, TN 37210, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,981 SHARES OF CRACKER BARREL OLD COUNTRY STORE (TICKER: CBRL) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CRACKER BARREL OLD COUNTRY STORE TEL: 615 444-5533)

-30- 452
#90355c0092 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROSE L HARROFF OF 2511 WEST WILDWOOD TRAIL, WARSAW, IN 46580, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,300 SHARES OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET) THROUGH RAFFENSPERGER HUGHES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(BIOMET INC. TEL: 219 267-6639)

-30- 398
#90355c0093 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RONALD H GALOWICH OF 1248 N ASTOR, CHICAGO, IL 60610, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF HEALTHCARE COMPARE CORP. (TICKER: HCCC) THROUGH WIG SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(HEALTHCARE COMPARE CORP. TEL: 312 719-9000)

-30- 425
#90355c0095 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOXER OF 122 CLIPPER LANE, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 402
#90355c0096 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD L GALLUP OF 420 RIVER CLOSE, 0, ROSWELL, GA 30075, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,000 SHARES OF IMMUCOR INC. (TICKER: BLUD) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(IMMUCOR INC. TEL: 404 441-2051)

-30- 394
#90355c0097 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOIGAARDS INC OF 3550 SOUTH HIWAY 100, 0, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,000 SHARES OF RAVEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RAV) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(RAVEN INDUSTRIES INC. TEL: 605 336-2750)

-30- 411
#90355c0098 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOXER OF 122 CLIPPER LANE, JUPITER, FL 33477, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. (TICKER: LIZC) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(LIZ CLAIBORNE INC. TEL: 212 354-4900)

-30- 402
#90355c0099 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CONSTANTINE S NICANDROS OF C/O CONOCO INC, 600 NORTH DAIRY ASHFORD RD, HOUSTON, TX 77079, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF DUPONT (E.I.) DE NEMOURS & CO. (TICKER: DD) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(DUPONT (E.I.) DE NEMOURS & CO. TEL: 302 774-1000)

-30- 481
#90355c0100 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID J BEAUBIEN OF 12 NORTH TAYLOR HILL RD, MONTAQUE, MA 01351, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,600 SHARES OF EG & G INC. (TICKER: EGG) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(EG & G INC. TEL: 617 237-5100)

-30- 402
#90355c0101 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PROJECT ORBIS INC OF 330 WEST 42ND STREET, 0, NEW YORK, NY 10036, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF FLIGHTSAFETY INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: FSI) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(FLIGHTSAFETY INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 718 565-4100)

-30- 448
#90355c0103 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEON C HIRSCH OF 150 GLOVER AVE, NORWALK, CT 06856, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF U.S. SURGICAL CORP. (TICKER: USS) THROUGH COWEN & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(U.S. SURGICAL CORP. TEL: 203 845-1000)

-30- 401
#90355c0104 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GORDON M BINDER OF 1840 DEHAVILLAND DR, THOUSAND OAKS, CA 91320, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF AMGEN INC. (TICKER: AMGN) THROUGH MONTGOMERY SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(AMGEN INC. TEL: 805 499-5725)

-30- 398
#90355c0105 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WARBURG PINCUS CAP CO LP OF 466 LEXINGTON AVE, 0, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 250,000 SHARES OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: UNIH) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. TEL: 612 936-1200)

-30- 454
#90355c0106 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FIRST INTERSTATE EQUITIES CORP OF 633 WEST 5TH STREET, MAIL SORT T 71-1, LOS ANGLES, CA 90071, HAS FILED TO SELL 24,129 SHARES OF SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. (TICKER: SNPX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(SYNOPTICS COMMUNICATIONS INC. TEL: 415 960-1100)

-30- 500
#90355c0107 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT L KLOSTERMAN OF 5444 FOREST RIDGE CIRCLE, MILFORD, OH 45150, HAS FILED TO SELL 11,181 SHARES OF STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH COR (TICKER: SDRC) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 19, 1990.

(STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH COR TEL: 513 576-2000)

-30- 473
#90355c0108 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RALPH L OGDEN OF 519 MCDANIEL AVE, GREENVILLE, SC 29605, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF THE LIBERTY CORP. (TICKER: LC) THROUGH J C BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 19, 1990.

(THE LIBERTY CORP. TEL: 803 292-4494)

-30- 401
#90355c0109 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARVIN H HAPPEL OF STONE FENCE LANE, METRO CTR, NEWTON, CT 06470, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. (TICKER: CNK) THROUGH

A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CROMPTON & KNOWLES CORP. TEL: 203 353-5400)

-30- 438
#90355c0111 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID E STOLTZMAN OF 368 NO 9TH ST, BAYPORT, MN 55003, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,014 SHARES OF APA OPTICS INC. (TICKER: APAT) THROUGH SUMMIT INVSTMNT CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(APA OPTICS INC. TEL: 612 784-4995)

-30- 408
#90355c0112 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILLIP H SLOANE OF 7241 STYERS FERRY RD, CLEMMONS, NC 27012, HAS FILED TO SELL 59,000 SHARES OF SPEAR FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. (TICKER: SFNS) THROUGH SPEAR SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(SPEAR FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. TEL: 818 242-7662)

-30- 438
#90355c0113 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH G MEEHAN OF 581 WEST WAYNE AVE, WOOSTER, OH 44691, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,239 SHARES OF RUBBERMAID INC. (TICKER: RBD) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(RUBBERMAID INC. TEL: 216 264-6464)

-30- 403
#90355c0114 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JERRY L FERGUSON OF R.R. #7, P O BOX 389, 0, WARSAW, IN 46580, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF BIOMET INC. (TICKER: BMET) THROUGH RAFFENSPERGER HUGHES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(BIOMET INC. TEL: 219 267-6639)

-30- 402
#90355c0115 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD S BURNETT OF ONE PROCTER & GAMBLE PLZ, CINCINNATI, OH 45202, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,966 SHARES OF PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. (TICKER: PG) THROUGH FIFTH THIRD SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(PROCTER & GAMBLE CO. TEL: 513 983-1100)

-30- 427
#90355c0116 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROGERS VENTURE ENTERPRISES INC OF P O BOX 130489, TYLER, TX 75713, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF TCA CABLE TV INC. (TICKER: TCAT) THROUGH FIRST MANHATTAN CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(TCA CABLE TV INC. TEL: 903 595-3701)

-30- 429
#90355c0117 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLORIA JOSEPH OF 646 SOUTH HUDSON, LOS ANGELES, CA 90005, HAS FILED TO SELL 135,000 SHARES OF MERCURY GENERAL CORP. (TICKER: MRCY) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(MERCURY GENERAL CORP. TEL: 213 937-1060)

-30- 417
#90355c0119 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GEORGE A ROCHE OF 6506 MONTROSE AVE, BALTIMORE, MD 21212, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF PRICE (T.ROWE) ASSOC INC. (TICKER: TROW) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(PRICE (T.ROWE) ASSOC INC. TEL: 301 547-2099)

-30- 434
#90355c0120 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRENTWOOD CAPITAL CORP OF 11150 SANTA MONICA BLVD, SUITE 1200, LOS ANGLES, CA 90025, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,903 SHARES OF MAXIM INTEGRATED PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: MXIM) THROUGH SUTRO & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(MAXIM INTEGRATED PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 408 737-7600)

-30- 471
#90355c0121 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GERALD D HELD OF 18700 VISTA DEALMADEN, SAN JOSE, CA 95120, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF TANDEM COMPUTERS INC. (TICKER: TDM) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(TANDEM COMPUTERS INC. TEL: 408 285-4519)

-30- 415
#90355c0122 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL ROTHENBURG OF 10340 ROSEMONT DR, TAMPA, FL 33624, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF AURORA ENVIRONMENTAL INC. (TICKER: AURE) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(AURORA ENVIRONMENTAL INC. TEL: 212 353-8280)

-30- 439
#90355c0123 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT F PETERS OF 2000 EASTMAN DR, MILFORD, OH 45150, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,500 SHARES OF STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH COR (TICKER: SDRC) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS RESEARCH COR TEL: 513 576-2000)

-30- 455
#90355c0124 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

GROUP LED BY SHAMROCK ASSOCIATES OF FAR HILLS, NEW JERSEY OWNS 417,935 SHARES (6.70%) OF FIRST WESTERN FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: FWES).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 20, 1990, Sharock, Hecco I, Hecco II, James J. Cotter Ltd and First Western entered into an agreement which provides that First Western schedule its annual meeting for Feb. 14, 1991 and that Shamrock file a stipulation and order to dismiss the litigation with prejudice, subject to the Court's retaining jurisdiction to enforce the terms of the agreement.

-30- 737
#90355c0125 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY I.B. STACK OWNS 1,750,125 SHARES (17.50%) OF OAK TREE CONSTRUCTION COMPUTERS INC.(TICKER: AOAK) OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 4, 1990, I.B. Stack, et al. acquired 750,000 shares of common stock as part of the aggregate consideration paid by the company for the acquisition of all the outstanding shares of common stock of FSF pursuant to a purchase agreement dated Nov. 8, 1990, as amended. I.B. Stack, et al. acquired the shares for the consideration of 1,000 shares of common stock of FSF. The stock purchase agreement provides that as additional consideration payable for the shares of common stock of FSF, Mr. and Mrs. Stack will receive a further 1,390,000 shares of common stock if and when the company shareholders approve an increase in the number of authorized shares of common stock.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1076
#90355c0127 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

MERCURY ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC OWNS 1,995,000 SHARES (14.20%) OF ICO INC. (TICKER: ICOC) OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Aug. 23, 1990 through Dec. 6, 1990, Mercury Asset Management PLC purchased 640,000 shares at a price of $1.63 to $2.88 per share, and sold 295,000 shares at a price of $1.93 to $1.94 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 567
#90355c0128 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

SANDERLING OIL CORP. OWNS 1,100,880 SHARES (25.60%) OF CONVEST ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: CVST) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Sanderling Oil Corp. acquired the shares under the terms of the amended and restated plan of reorganization and agreement of merger dated as of July 9, 1990 upon the consummation on Dec. 7, 1990 of the transactions contemplated by the agreements.

-30- 587
#90355c0129 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 13

GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 225,900 SHARES (33.96%) OF LVI GROUP INC.(TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 19, 1990 Gamco Investors Inc. sold 20,000 shares at 16 cents per share.

-30- 428
#90355c0130 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.S. STANDISH CO. OWNS 3,200,000 SHARES (14.00%) OF ALBANY INT'L CORP.

(TICKER: AIN) OF ALBANY, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 24 and 25, 1990 J.S. Standish sold 50,000 shares at $9.42 to $9.76 per share.

-30- 439
#90355c0131 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

FLEET AEROSPACE INC. GARDENA, CALIFORNIA OWNS 5,175,000 SHARES (88.35%) OF FLEET AEROSPACE INC.(TICKER: FLAI) OF GARDENA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 20, 1990 Fleet Aerospace Inc., the Fleet Aerospace Inc. and Fleet Aerospace Inc. subsidiary Aeronca Inc. entered into an agreement with CIBC Mergers and Acquisitions Group engaging CIBC to solicit offers from and to assist the Fleet Aerospace Inc. and Fleet Aerospace Inc. in negotiations with potential equity investors in Aeronca.

-30- 707
#90355c0132 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ODYSSEY PARTNERS LP. OWNS 3,185,707 SHARES (29.71%) OF LONG LAKE ENERGY CORP. (TICKER: LLEC) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Under the loan agreement, Odyssey Partners LP. on Oct. 2, 1990 was granted a warrant to purchase 47,103 shares in consideration for a loan to Long Lake Energy Corp. of $129,534 on that date, on Nov. 19, 1990 Odyssey Partners LP. was granted a warrant to purchase 47,103 shares in consideration of its loan of $129,534 to Long Lake Energy Corp. on that date and on Dec. 14, 1990 Odyssey Partners LP. was granted a warrant to purchase 45,291 shares in consideration of its loan to Long Lake Energy Corp. of $124,553 on that date.

-30- 885
#90355c0133 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

P.B. BEDFORD OWNS 2,256,075 SHARES (34.80%) OF ICM PROPERTY INVESTORS INC. (TICKER: ICM) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 20, 1990 P.B. Bedford purchased 400,000 shares at $ 3.63 per share.

-30- 422
#90355c0135 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY LUDWIG JESSELSON OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 450,600 SHARES (4.95%) OF UNITED MERCHANTS & MANUFACTURERS INC.(TICKER: UMM) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 20, 1990 Ludwig Jesselson, et al. sold 565,000 shares at 8 cents each.

-30- 474
#90355c0136 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC. OWNS 3,976,792 SHARES (5.28%) OF MCA INC. (TICKER: MCA) OF UNIVERSAL CITY, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Oct. 17 and Dec. 19, 1990 Gabelli Funds Inc., et al purchased 1,057,400 shares at $65 to $67.50 and sold 440,430 shares at $56.63 to $68.59 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 539

#90355c0137 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 21, 1990 TO NOV. 30, 1990, MENTOR EXPL & DEV CORP LTD, BEN. OWNER OF AGNICO-EAGLE MINES LTD. (TICKER: AEAG), BOUGHT 67,800 SHARES FROM $6.13 TO $6.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,692,412.

-30- 381
#90355c0138 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, D. BUSH, DIR. OF COUNTY BANK FSB (TICKER: CNBA) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $30.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,343.

-30- 289
#90355c0139 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 30, 1990, J.S. BAUM, DIR. OF DATA SYSTEMS INC. BOUGHT 2,555 SHARES AT $1.60 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 29,270.

-30- 287
#90355c0140 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 12, 1990, H.M. GHOLSON, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NBC CAPITAL CORP. BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,061.

-30- 327
#90355c0141 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 8, 1990, C.G. ANDERSON, VP OF PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. (TICKER: PTGE) SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $17.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 241.

-30- 330
#90355c0143 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 26, 1990, D.A. ULRICH, CHAIRMAN OF TRI CITY BANKSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 8,955 SHARES AT $15.55 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,561.

-30- 316
#90355c0144 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 21, 1990, M.A. MESSENGER, DIR. OF WM BANCORP. BOUGHT 275 SHARES AT $27.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 897.

-30- 283
#90355c0145 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 23, 1990, L.L. ROBBINS, DIR. OF ELMIRA SAVINGS BANK. (TICKER: ESBK), BOUGHT 560 SHARES AT $13.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,514.

-30- 317
#90355c0146 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 20, 1990, GLOBAL FINANCIAL RES LTD, BEN. OWNER OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: NPSI) BOUGHT 2,000,000 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,201,480.

-30- 363
#90355c0147 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 20, 1990, F.S. GREENE JR, PRES. OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: NPSI) BOUGHT 1,075,469 SHARES AT $0.05 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,387,542.

-30- 350
#90355c0148 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 8, 1990 TO NOV. 30, 1990, D.W. REYNOLDS, OFFICER, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF THOMAS EDISON INNS INC. BOUGHT 900 SHARES FROM $7.00 TO $7.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,066.

-30- 362
#90355c0149 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, J.D. MACK, DIR. OF VALLEY CAPITAL CORP.(TICKER: VCCN) BOUGHT 14,000 SHARES FROM $14.00 TO $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,101,613.

-30- 326
#90355c0151 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 5, 1990, G.B. LYKINS, PRES. OF FIRST BUSEY CORP. (TICKER: BUSE), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $21.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 48,601.

-30- 306
#90355c0152 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV. 9, 1990 TO NOV. 21, 1990, H.R. BLAU, CHAIRMAN OF INSTRUMENT SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: ISY), BOUGHT 5,700 SHARES AT $1.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 223,100.

-30- 343
#90355c0153 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 12, 1990, R.S. FREED, CHAIRMAN OF 3-D SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: TDSS), SOLD 20,000 SHARES AT $3.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 203,300.

-30- 312
#90355c0154 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEPT. 6, 1990, L.W. MARTIN, PRES. OF DATA DIMENSIONS INC. (TICKER: DDIM) BOUGHT 2,400 SHARES AT $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,400.

-30- 312
#90355c0155 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 8, 1990, D.R. ELDRIDGE, CHAIRMAN OF ABINGTON BANCORP. (MASS) (TICKER: ABBK) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 9,900.

-30- 331
#90355c0156 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 13, 1990, JOHN J TRAKSELIS, OFFICER OF ALBERTO-CULVER CO. (TICKER: ACV), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 316
#90355c0157 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, MARTIN E MARKS, DIR. OF AMERICAN CYTOGENETICS INC. (TICKER: ACYT), SOLD 10,000 SHARES FROM $0.38 TO $0.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 326
#90355c0159 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 27, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, JOHN H ERICKSON, OFFICER OF AMERICAN MEDICAL ELECTRONIC INC. (TICKER: AMEI), SOLD 2,862 SHARES FROM $9.00 TO $9.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,639.

-30- 378
#90355c0160 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUL 30, 1990, WALTER F BAUER, SHAREHOLDER OF ALPHAREL INC. (TICKER: AREL), BOUGHT 22,000 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 33,750.

-30- 318
#90355c0161 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, EDWARD C ROGER, DIR. OF ADVANCE ROSS CORP. (TICKER: AROS), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150.

-30- 303
#90355c0162 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 22, 1990, E D SLOAN JR, DIR. OF ASTEC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: ASTE), BOUGHT 95,000 SHARES AT $2.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 220,000.

-30- 310
#90355c0163 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, BRUNO DEGOL, DIR. OF BT FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: BTFC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,564.

-30- 305
#90355c0164 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 10, 1990, FRANK E RAAB, SHAREHOLDER OF CYBERTEK CORP. (TICKER: CKCP), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE.

-30- 276
#90355c0165 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 05, 1990, CHARLES R MCDOWELL, VP OF CORDIS CORP. (TICKER: CORD), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $21.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,220.

-30- 299
#90355c0167 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 13, 1990, RICHARD ZUNIGA, VP OF CPC INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CPC), SOLD 9,000 SHARES AT $81.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,707.

-30- 302
#90355c0168 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1987, JAMES F WILL, PRES. OF CYCLOPS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CYC), BOUGHT 22,440 SHARES AT $15.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 98,664.

-30- 312
#90355c0169 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JAMES L SCHAMADAN, DIR. OF CYCARE SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CYS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 319
#90355c0170 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, PHILLIP DASH, DIR. OF DASH INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: DASH), BOUGHT 15,000 SHARES AT $0.16 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 190,000.

-30- 305
#90355c0171 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, JAMES J PINTO, SHAREHOLDER OF DOSKOCIL COS INC. (TICKER: DOSK), SOLD 5,500 SHARES AT $0.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 34.

-30- 315
#90355c0172 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 19, 1990, HENRY NELSON CHRISTIANSEN, SHAREHOLDER OF EVANS & SUTHERLAND COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: ESCC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $16.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,000.

-30- 369
#90355c0173 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 14, 1990, WILLARD L HURLEY, SHAREHOLDER OF FIRST ALABAMA BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: FABC), SOLD 2,518 SHARES AT $15.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,050.

-30- 350
#90355c0175 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, HENRY J STRAZZELLA, DIR. OF FB & T CORP. (TICKER: FBTC), BOUGHT 221 SHARES AT $21.21 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,383.

-30- 302
#90355c0176 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 26, 1990, THOMAS M JOHANNESEN, VP OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 240 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,306.

-30- 312
#90355c0177 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 05, 1990, GREGG ZIEGLER, DIR. OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 3,600 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 214,640.

-30- 309
#90355c0178 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, LANE INDUSTRIES INC, BEN. OWNER OF GENERAL BINDING CORP. (TICKER: GBND), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,614,937.

-30- 331
#90355c0179 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 09, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, GLENN W BAILEY, DIR. OF GENLYTE GROUP INC. (TICKER: GLYT), BOUGHT 35,000 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 835,000.

-30- 337
#90355c0180 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, LAWRENCE R BURTSCHY, DIR. OF HILLENBRAND INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HB), SOLD 30,000 SHARES AT $36.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,132,510.

-30- 331
#90355c0181 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, DOMINICK J VELO, DIR. OF HERITAGE FINANCIAL SVCS INC. (TICKER: HERS), SOLD 8,000 SHARES AT $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 32,125.

-30- 331
#90355c0183 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JAMES D IRELAND III, CHAIRMAN OF OLYMPIA BROADCASTING CORP. (TICKER: OBCC), SOLD 98,226 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 241,774.

-30- 358
#90355c0184 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, JAMES D IRELAND III, CHAIRMAN OF OLYMPIA BROADCASTING CORP. (TICKER: OBCC), SOLD 13,650 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 358
#90355c0185 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, THOMAS A JAMES, DIR. OF HOME SHOPPING NETWORK INC. (TICKER: HSN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 328
#90355c0186 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 31, 1990 TO NOV 16, 1990, CHARLES E LIPPERT, DIR. OF INDEPENDENT BANK CORP. (MI) (TICKER: IBCP), BOUGHT 3,400 SHARES FROM $6.13 TO $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,142.

-30- 360
#90355c0187 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 30, 1990 TO DEC 13, 1990, DENNIS R NEWMAN, PRES. OF IMEX MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: IMEX), BOUGHT 43,500 SHARES FROM $0.45 TO $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,435,009.

-30- 363
#90355c0188 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 29, 1990 TO NOV 01, 1990, PETER BALJET, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY CORP. (TICKER: INT), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $11.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,500.

-30- 336
#90355c0189 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, HOWARD J BLAUGRUND, DIR. OF JAMESWAY CORP. (TICKER: JMY), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,619.

-30- 312
#90355c0191 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, FLOYD HALL, DIR. OF JAMESWAY CORP. (TICKER: JMY), BOUGHT 100,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 380,000.

-30- 297
#90355c0192 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, ABRAHAM TEMKIN, DIR. OF JAMESWAY CORP. (TICKER: JMY), BOUGHT 20,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 69,790.

-30- 301
#90355c0193 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 26, 1990, GEORGE H BLUMEL, CHAIRMAN OF JRM HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: JRMX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 51,500.

-30- 320
#90355c0194 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, GEORGE H BLUMEL, CHAIRMAN OF JRM HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: JRMX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.69 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 339
#90355c0195 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, KURT J LESKER, BEN. OWNER OF JRM HOLDINGS INC. (TICKER: JRMX), SOLD 122,000 SHARES AT $2.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,499.

-30- 325
#90355c0196 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 04, 1990, EDWARD S BOTTUM, DIR. OF KELLWOOD CO. (TICKER: KWD), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,200.

-30- 296
#90355c0197 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 15, 1990, RICHARD L GEIGER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF LASER RECORDING SYS INC. (TICKER: LRSI), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.32 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,500.

-30- 350
#90355c0199 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, KEVIN M REID, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 10,455 SHARES AT $28.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 272
#90355c0200 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, KEVIN M REID, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 1,818 SHARES AT $28.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,192.

-30- 307
#90355c0201 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 11, 1990, CLARENCE B ROGERS JR, DIR. OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (TICKER: MCIC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $20.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,500.

-30- 330
#90355c0202 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 01, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, MICHAEL J PAULUCCI, BEN. OWNER OF MEDICAL GRAPHICS CORP. (TICKER: MGCC), BOUGHT 19,500 SHARES FROM $3.00 TO $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 281,500.

-30- 369
#90355c0203 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 11, 1990, THEODORE F TWARDZIK, DIR. OF MINERS NATIONAL BANCORP. (TICKER: MNBC), BOUGHT 721 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,748.

-30- 344
#90355c0204 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 20, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, JOSEPH R ALOSA, DIR. OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SVGS BANK CORP. (TICKER: NHSB), SOLD 15,500 SHARES FROM $0.06 TO $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 36,000.

-30- 363
#90355c0205 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 30, 1990, JOHN A KELLEY JR, DIR. OF NEW HAMPSHIRE THRIFT BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: NHTB), SOLD 6,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,440.

-30- 349
#90355c0207 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAY 14, 1990, NORMAN B GERSHON, VP OF OIL-DRI CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: OILC), SOLD 10,000 SHARES AT $22.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,716.

-30- 324
#90355c0208 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 03, 1990, RONALD K URICH, OFFICER OF OPTO MECHANIK INC. (TICKER: OPTO), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,175.

-30- 314
#90355c0209 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, VERNON W HOLLEMAN, DIR. OF PERPETUAL FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PFCP), BOUGHT 17,518 SHARES AT $0.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,850.

-30- 335
#90355c0210 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 17, 1990, ROBERT H RAU, VP OF PARKER-HANNIFIN CORP. (TICKER: PH), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $18.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 14,625.

-30- 306
#90355c0211 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, JAMES L GREENE, DIR. OF PINNACLE BANC GRP INC. (TICKER: PINN), SOLD 23,630 SHARES AT $29.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 133,068.

-30- 324
#90355c0212 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 21, 1990, WILLIAM C LIEDTKE JR, CHAIRMAN OF POGO PRODUCING CO. (TICKER: PPP), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $6.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 155,784.

-30- 331
#90355c0213 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, JOSEPH M SELZER, OFFICER OF PRUDENTIAL REALTY TRUST CAPITAL (TICKER: PRT), BOUGHT 1,500 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,700.

-30- 348
#90355c0215 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JAMES T MUNN, PRES. OF PACER TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: PTCH), BOUGHT 13,333 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 68,333.

-30- 311
#90355c0216 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUN 05, 1990 TO JUL 23, 1990, GENE J KENNEDY, DIR. OF POWER SPECTRA INC. (TICKER: PWSP), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES FROM $2.25 TO $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 328,000.

-30- 344
#90355c0217 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUN 26, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, GENE J KENNEDY, DIR. OF POWER SPECTRA INC. (TICKER: PWSP), SOLD 54,500 SHARES FROM $1.00 TO $3.19 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 328,000.

-30- 346
#90355c0218 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, HOIGAARD CONRAD J, DIR. OF RAVEN INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: RAV), SOLD 3,000 SHARES AT $11.02 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 105,574.

-30- 306
#90355c0243 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY HOLDERBANK FINANCIERE GLARIS LTD OF GLARIS, SWITZERLAND
120,310,682 SHARES (89.30%) OF HOLNAM INC.(TICKER: HLN) OF DUNDEE, MICHIGAN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Oct. 5, 1990, Holdernam purchased 22,222,223 shares of company common stock for $100,000,000.

PURPOSE:

Merger and acquisition of shares.

-30- 530
#90355c0244 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

WASHINGTON MUTUAL SAVINGS BANK OF SEATTLE, WASHINGTON OWNS 127,057 SHARES (9.90%) OF VANFED BANCORP.(TICKER: VANF).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Washington Mutual Savings Bank has entered into an agreement to acquire 127,057 which agreement has not been approved by the Office of Thrift Supervision. Washington Mutual Savings Bank has entered into a non-binding letter of intent to purchase remaining shares of Vanfed Bancorp., following regulatory approval.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition agreement.

-30- 713
#90355c0245 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

BLUE HERON PETROLEUM CORP. OWNS 581,920 SHARES (13.60%) OF CONVEST ENERGY CORP.(TICKER: CVST) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Through a series of mergers and other transactions consummated pursuant to the merger plan on Dec. 7, 1990, Blue Heron Petroleum Corp. acquired a total of 581,920 shares of common stock pursuant to the merger plan.

-30- 561

#90355c0247 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 24) COMTEX - Fort Wayne, Ind.-based Lincoln Financial Corp. (TICKER: LFIN) has acquired The Peru Trust Co. of Peru, Ind., for 258,921 Lincoln Financial common shares and $4.76 million cash.

Peru Trust, which has $81 million in assets and about $72 million in deposits, operates from seven locations in Miami County, Ind., according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 21, 1990.

-30- 635

#90355c0248 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 24) COMTEX - Discovery Centers Magic Years Child Care and Learning Centers Inc.(TICKER: KIDS), a Plains, Pa.-based chain of child-care centers, has agreed to be acquired by Children's Discovery Centers of America Inc. of San Rafael, Calif., in a stock swap.

Magic Years operates 33 child care centers in Pennsylvania and other Mid-Atlantic states, while Children's Discovery Centers operates 59 centers in California, the Midwest and New England, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 21, 1990.

-30- 779

#90355c0249 12/21/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 24) COMTEX - Santa Ana, Calif.-based EECO Inc.(TICKER: EEC) has sold its EECO Computer Inc. subsidiary to ECI Computer Inc., a company formed by a Hong Kong investor group led by Fred Eu and Carl Jeremias, for $1.9 million.

EECO Computer provides computer consulting services, programs and systems for the hospitality business, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Eu is a managing director of Dataprep (Hong Kong) Ltd., which is EECO Computer's distributor.

Jeremias is a former president and director of EECO Computer.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 21, 1990.

-30- 797
#90355c0250 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY C.Y. PALITZ JR. OWNS 382,100 SHARES (9.78%) OF CENVEST INC. (TICKER: CBCT) OF MERIDEN, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 14, 1990, Mr. B. G. Palitz disposed of 127,400 shares of common stock at a price of $1.26 per share and ARC acquired 127,400 shares of common stock at a price of $1.26 per share.

-30- 532
#90355c0251 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY BLOCK ACQUISITION CORP. OWNS 3,730,661 SHARES (13.80%) OF INTERIM SYSTEMS CORP.(TICKER: INSY) OF CLIFTON, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Block Acquisition Corp. has offered to purchase all outstanding shares of the company at $1.66 per share subject to the conditions set forth in the offer to purchase dated Dec. 19, 1990 and the related letter of transmittal. The offer is being made pursuant to an agreement and plan of merger dated as of Dec. 12, 1990 among the Company, Block and the Purchaser. Following the completion of the offer, the purchaser will be merged with and into the company. In connection with the merger, the purchaser has entered into a stock purchase agreement with Fred Sullivan wherein he will tender all his shares, 3,730,661,

to the purchaser following completion of the offer for the same price per share paid pursuant to the offer. Sullivan has granted the purchaser an irrevocable proxy to vote his shares at any meeting of stockholders of the company in favor of the merger and merger agreement and against any proposal or transaction which would impede or prevent the merger, and he may be obligated to sell his shares even if the offer and the merger are not consummated.

PURPOSE:

Offer to purchase.

-30- 1486
#90355c0252 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 19

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 5,388,943 SHARES (25.78%) OF WESTERN PUBLISHING GROUP INC.(TICKER: WPGI) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 22, 1990 through Dec. 19, 1990, Gamco Investors, et al. purchased 475,650 shares at a price of $9.39 to $13.25 per share and sold 81,500 shares at a price of $9.25 to $13.13 per share; and released control over 110,500 shares.

-30- 634
#90355c0253 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M.A. JORGENSON OWNS 1,668,075 SHARES (34.30%) OF ESSEF CORP. (TICKER: ESSF) OF CHORDON, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result of her appointment as co-executor of the estate of James A. Horner M.A. Jorgenson acquired beneficial ownership of the shares held by Mr. Horner.

PURPOSE:

Long term investment.

-30- 507
#90355c0255 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.A. HORNER OWNS 665,285 SHARES (13.70%) OF ESSEF CORP.(TICKER: ESSF) OF CHORDON, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result of his appointment as co-executor of the estate of James A. Horner J.A. Horner acquired beneficial ownership of the shares held by Mr. Horner.

PURPOSE:

Long term investment.

-30- 497
#90355c0256 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

BROOKE GROUP LTD. OWNS 22,815,105 SHARES (69.90%) OF MAI SYSTEMS CORP. (TICKER: MCO) OF TUSTIN, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Due to the merger of Brooke Partners into BLGS Inc., Brooke Group LTD. is the successor to Brooke Partners as the reporting person regarding Mai Systems Corp. shares. William Weksel, formerly a controlling person of Brooke Partners and its affiliates, transferred his interests in that entity to Bennette S. Lebow. In connection with this transaction, Brooke Partners granted Weksel an option to purchase 3.25 million shares at $3.54 per share exercisable until Sept. 26, 1992.

-30- 810
#90355c0257 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 17, 1990 the bankruptcy court issued an order confirming debtors' plan of reorganization. The order provides that the plan will become effective on Feb. 2, 1991. TCM will acquire all of the voting stock of Casual Male Corp.(TICKER: CMLQ).

-30- 461
#90355c0258 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

V. SIEGEL OF JUPITER, FLORIDA OWNS 144,200 SHARES (11.73%) OF REPUBLIC SAVINGS FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: RSFC) OF PALM BEACH GARDENS, FLORIDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Between Aug. 29 and Nov. 29, 1990 V. Siegel purchased 40,300 shares at $1.63 to $3.78 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 506
#90355c0259 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 21, 1990 D.F. Bolger, et al. filed an action seeking to temporarily, preliminarily and permanently enjoin First State Financial Services Inc. (TICKER: FSFI) from engaging in proxy activities. On Dec. 21, 1990 the court declined to grant a temporary restraining order but set a hearing date of Jan. 14, 1991 to determine Bolger's entitlement to a preliminary injunction.

PURPOSE:

Lawsuit.

-30- 629
#90355c0260 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 19, 1990, I.L. Jacobs, et al. sold 953,700 shares at $18 each.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 298
#90355c0261 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY W. DELANO JR. OWNS 2,289,047 SHARES (50.20%) OF LEXINGTON PRECISION CORP.(TICKER: LEXP).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

W. Delano Jr., et al.'s ownership changed as a result of the right of Woolens to acquire beneficial ownership of 440,000 shares through the conversion, on Jan. 1, 1991, of the junior notes; the exercise of the Precision option and purchase warrant by W. Delano Jr., et al. on Dec. 20 of the Precision assets; the distribution on Dec. 20 of junior notes and the limited partnership interest in Blasius LP held by Woolens, to W. Delano Jr., et al.; the Dec. 20 distribution of common stock and warrants owned by Blasius to its partners; and the distribution on the same date by Lubin, Delano & Co. of all common shares owned by it.

PURPOSE:

For investment and to influence company management.

-30- 1051
#90355c0263 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 20, 1990, Delano and Lubin exercised an option to buy company shares from Precision. As a result, Precision no longer owns any company shares.

-30- 375
#90355c0264 12/21/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 9, 1990, Triton Energy Corp., et al. entered into an agreement to sell 206,231 shares back to the company for $2,345,877. The parties signed an escrow agreement on the same date.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 451
#90355d2470 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (DEC. 21) - Around one million Iraqis were evacuated early Friday from Baghdad as part of civil defense drills ahead of a possible U.S.-led attack, officials and witnesses said.

The Iraqi civil defense services said that the exercises began at 7.00 a.m. (0400 GMT). Residents were expected to return to their homes in the afternoon.

Baghdad counts four million inhabitants.

The first evacuees were taken to "secure areas outside Baghdad" aboard hundreds of public buses and private vehicles that were mobilised for the drills by the state-run civil defense, witnesses said.

It was not immediately clear if and when other residents of Baghdad would be evacuated.

The drills were the first since Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait. Shortly after that date the Iraqi authorities evacuated part of the capital.

Iraq's official press has said that residents of major cities have been receiving instructions on what to do in case of an American nuclear or chemical attack.

Iraqis have also been urged to stockpile domestic fuel in case of an attack by the U.S.-led 350,000 multinational forced deployed in the Gulf region.

The United Nations Security Council has authorised the multinational troops to use force to dislodge Iraq's army from Kuwait if it did not pull out from the

emirate before midnight January 15.

-30- 1548

#90355d2520 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 21) - France had a 601 million francs (120.2 million dollars) trade deficit in November, a marked improvement over the 6.7 billion (1.34 billion dollars) deficit recorded in October, according to provisional seasonally adjusted figures issued Friday by the customs department.

For the first 11 months of the year, the trade deficit in seasonally adjusted figures was 39.8 billion francs, an improvement on the same period last year when the deficit amounted to 41.646 billion francs.

November's exports reached 100.21 billion francs (20.04 billion dollars) while imports fell to 100.82 billion francs (20.16 billion dollars).

Trade in manufactured goods (including military equipment) showed a clear improvement in November with a deficit of 181 million francs against a deficit of 4.288 billion in October.

There was a net gain in farm trade, with a surplus of 3.54 billion francs against 2.78 billion in October.

The energy deficit also dropped in November to 8.04 billion francs against 9.56 billion in October.

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TOKYO (DEC. 21) - Toyota Motor Corp. said Friday it had chosen Bechtel Corp. of the United States and Japan's biggest construction group Taisei Corp. to build a 110 million dollar test track in Arizona.

The two companies plan to form a joint venture early next year with completion set for early 1993.

The 4,800 hectare (12,000 acre) site will be Toyota's fourth test track and its first in the United States, the company said.

The complex, located near Phoenix, will include a track to test vehicles at speeds of up to 260 kilometres (160 miles) an hour. Other features include a cornering course, a hill-climb area and a weather-exposure area.

Taisei was also involved in a Toyota test track completed on the northern Japanese island of Hokkaido in 1988.

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#90355d2640 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 21) - Japan's Bridgestone Corp. said Friday it had halved its profit forecast for the current year to reflect lower-than-expected results in North America and Europe, civil war in Liberia and increased costs.

The company, the world's third-biggest tyremaker, said it now expected a net profit of only 10 billion yen (77 million dollars) in the year to December, down 50 per cent from its initial estimate in March. The lastest forecast represents an increase of four per cent from the previous year.

Sales estimates were also revised downwards to 1.78 billion yen (13.7 billion dollars), down one per cent from its earlier forecast but up five per cent from the previous year, the company said.

Bridgestone said the downward revision reflected weak replacement demand, reduced vehicle output and increased costs in North America and Europe.

The lower forecast also reflected the suspension of natural rubber operations in Liberia and increased costs of raw materials, it said.

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#90355d2710 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
SEOUL (DEC. 21) - South Korea will give priority to curbing inflation and boosting export competitiveness next year, when economic growth should run at seven per cent, a senior official said here Friday.

Deputy Premier and Economic Planning Minister Lee Seung-Yun reported to President Roh Tae-Woo that a major source of concern for South Korea in 1991 would be inflation which hit 9.5 per cent this year.

"The government will put emphasis on curbing inflation and wage hikes in the coming year as the inflationary trend is gathering steam," Mr. Lee was quoted as telling Mr. Roh by a government spokesman.

Mr. Lee said rising oil bills because of the Gulf crisis, overdue increases in utility charges and the faltering Uruguay Round of multilateral trade talks would all fan inflation.

He told the president that price increases in 1991 should come in at between eight and nine per cent, while the economy as a whole was projected to grow by seven per cent, two per cent lower than this year.

Per capita gross national product would total 6,220 dollars.

Mr. Lee said exports were estimated at 69.6 billion dollars on a customs clearance basis, up 7.8 per cent from this year. Imports would increase 9.3 per

cent to 76.5 billion dollars, to leave a 6.9 billion dollar trade deficit, up from 5.5 billion dollars this year.

The current account deficit -- merchandise trade plus some transfers -- was projected to rise from one billion dollars to three billion dollars.

Mr. Lee said the government would help South Korea's export industries regain the competitive edge they had lost as a result of wage hikes and economic slowdown in overseas markets.

The government would continue its temporary tax relief for investment in the manufacturing sector next year and offer 650 billion won (907 million dollars) for automation and 250 billion won (349 million dollars) for small businesses in special loans.

It will also invest 2.5 trillion won (3.5 billion dollars) in infrastructure, 30 per cent more than in 1990, Mr. Lee added.

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#90355d2740 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CALTEX PACIFIC STRIKES OIL IN SUMATRA; PERTAMINA EXPECTS 2,500 BARRELS PER DAY

JAKARTA (DEC. 21) - Caltex Pacific Indonesia of the United States has discovered oil in the western island of Sumatra, state oil firm Pertamina announced Wednesday.

Tests on the exploration well Titian-1 in Central Sumatra flowed at 359 barrels of oil a day, Pertamina said in a statement, adding that the zone had potential of 2,500 barrels of oil per day.

Caltex operates in the area under a production sharing contract with Pertamina.

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#90355d2790 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 21) - EC environment ministers have agreed unanimously to impose tough anti-pollution standards on cars with big and medium-sized engines from 1992, Italian Environment Minister Giorgio Ruffolo said here after a meeting late on Thursday.

Car manufacturers will have to mount three-chamber catalytic converters to new cars with engines of greater capacity tyhan 1.4 litres.

The regulation will apply to all new models from July 1 1992 and to all new cars from December 31 1992.

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#90355d2810 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PARIS (DEC. 21) - The Japanese Kamori Kanko group has bought 20 per cent of the STGM company which operates ski lifts in the resort of Tignes in the French Alps, with the agreement of the local authority, it was announced here.

A statement, which did not give the price of the purchase, said that the deal was linked with plans to develop the STGM.

Kamori Kanko owns and operates winter sports resorts in Japan and in the United States, and operates golf courses and leisure parks in Japan, the United States and Australia.

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#90355d2880 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
PRETORIA (DEC. 21) - South Africa's Justice Ministry has released the names of some 790 exiles who have been granted indemnity from prosecution if they return, a ministry spokesman said Friday.

All fall into the category of exiles who, fearing problems because of their political activity, left the country illegally before October 8 this year.

President Frederik de Klerk on Tuesday granted indemnity to all people in that category, provided they furnished all the information required of them on a standard indemnity application form, which has been approved by the black nationalist African National Congress.

The ANC estimates it has some 20,000 exiled members or supporters, and the South African Council of Churches' National Coordinating Committee for the Repatriation of South African Exiles reckons there are 40,000 exiles in total.

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#90355d2910 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 21) - Japan is to extend 42.633 billion yen (315.8 million dollars) to China as the second portion of its official yen-denominated loans for fiscal 1990, ending next March, the government said Friday.

Japan and China exchanged notes Friday in Beijing on the loans, which will be used for five projects, including a port expansion project in the special economic zone of Shenzhen, development in Hainan and modernization of civil aviation control systems.

The loans, carrying an interest rate of 2.5 per cent, will be repaid over 30 years, including a grace period of 10 years.

The latest loans are part of Japan's 810 billion yen (six billion dollar) loan package to China, which was suspended after Beijing's military crackdown on pro-democracy demonstrators in Tiananmen Square last year.

Japan announced its intention of resuming its yen loan package at July's Houston summit of the seven major industrialized powers and had previously extended 36.511 billion yen (270 million dollars).

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#90355d2930 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 21) - The European Community (EC) has begun to help fund a major 13 kilometre (eight mile) road and rail link between the Danish islands of Fyn and Sjaelland, the European Investment Bank announced here Friday.

The bank, which handles the EC's financing projects, said in a statement that it had already lent 407 million Danish kroner (about 70 million dollars) for the link, and was ready to make available another 1,600 million kroner.

Last year, the project ran into trouble when the European Court of Justice ruled that Denmark had breached EC rules on fair competition during the tender process by insisting that Danish workers be given priority.

As a result, Denmark had to compensate unsuccessful tenderers, notably the French firm Bouygues.

The link, a combined bridge and tunnel for road and rail across the Great Belt (Store Baelt) waterway, will connect the east and west of Denmark and fill a missing link between Scandinavia and Western Europe, the bank said.

The project comprises a rail link of two parallel seven-kilometre (4.5-mile) tunnels from Sjaelland to the little island of Sprogoe halfway across the Store Baelt, and a low-span bridge from Sprogoe to Fyn.

The road link comprises a high-span bridge from Sjaelland to Sprogoe, then shares the low-span bridge with the railway.

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#90355d2970 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (DEC. 21) - HutchVision said Friday its 400 million dollar satellite television scheme should be broadcasting by the end of 1991 on two or three channels.

The channels will carry mainly music and sports for Hong Kong, Taiwan and Thailand in the first phase of operation, a company spokesman said.

He added that the company had also completed contracts for its signal to be

"up-linked" from Hong Kong to the AsiaSat 1 satellite, launched in April by a Chinese rocket, which allows it to reach a potentiaL audience of 2.3 billion from Japan to India.

HutchVision, a fully-owned subsidiary of local tycoon Li Ka-shing's Hutchison Whampoa Ltd., obtained Wednesday a 12-year non-exclusive Hong Kong government license to use the British colony as its base.

The license carries a three-year ban on transmitting programmes in Cantonese, the main southern Chinese dialect spoken here, so as not to compete with the British colony's two commercial televsion stations.

The spokesman said the number of channels would rise to seven by the start of the third year of operations with two "paid-for" channels along and five "free-to-air."

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#90355d2990 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 21) - Ethiopian rebels claimed Friday that they killed 152 government troops in four days of fighting last week in Shoa province, only 120 kilometres (75 miles) north of the capital, Addis Ababa.

The Tigre People's Liberation Front (TPLF) said in a radio broadcast monitored in Nairobi that they had also captured 18 soldiers and wounded 69 in fighting around the town of Sela Dingay between December 13 and 16.

The radio did not mention rebel casualties and there was no independent confirmation of the claims.

The TPLF and a smaller rebel group, the Ethiopian People's Democratic Movement (EPDM) are fighting together as the Ethiopian People's Revolutionary Democratic Front to overthrow the government of President Mengistu Haile Mariam.

The TPLF controls all of the northern province of Tigre and parts of Wollo, Gondar and Shoa, where Addis Ababa is located.

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#90355d3080 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 21) - A request to release three suspected members of the Irish Republican Army (IRA) arrested in the Belgian city of Antwerp two weeks ago was rejected Friday by the local court of appeal, their lawyer said.

Attorney Paul Quirijnen, who had asked the court to free his clients temporarily on a procedural error, said he would now take the case to the Supreme Court of Appeals in Brussels, which has two weeks to make a decision.

Police found what they described as a "veritable arsenal" in the suspects' apartment after they arrested Irish nationals Gerry Roach, John Daly and Ciaran McCarthy on December 5.

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#90355d3090 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 21) - Japan's motor vehicle output edged up 2.2 per cent onm a year earlier to 1.16 million units in November, an all-time high for the month the Japan Automobile Manufacurers Association said Thursday.

The fifth consecutive increase in the monthly figure reflected higher exports and a sharp rise in car production which rose 4.6 per cent to 856,700 units. Production of large cars alone soared 32.9 per cent to 170,142 units.

Output of buses jumped 16.4 per cent to 3,320 units but truck production fell 4.1 per cent to 300,016 units.

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#90355d3180 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUDAPEST (DEC. 21) - The French BNP bank and the German Dresdner bank have linked with the Hungarian Trade Bank to creat a jointly-owned banking operation, press reports here said on Friday.

The new bank, to be called the BNP-KH-Dresdner Bank, will be based in budapest with initial capital of one billion forints (15.4 million dollars), and will open for business in the first half of 1991, the MTI agency said.

BNP and Dresdner Bank will each hold 37 per cent of the equity, and the Hungarian bank will hold the remaining 26 per cent.

It will participate in the financing of joint ventures involving mainly French or German capital, in operations by leading Hungarian firms and by foreign companies in Hungary.

It will concentrate on financing imports and exports.

Several finance houses have been created here with foreign involvement in recent weeks. Among them are the Austrian, Italian, Hungarian European Trade Bank, the Italian-Hungarian Leumi Credit Bank, the U.S.-Hungarian Hungarian Trust and the Hungarian-Japanese Daiwa-MKBH.

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#90355d3260 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 21) - U.S. satellites and sensors monitoring the Gulf

region failed to spot the fueling and launch of an Iraqi medium-range missile in an early December test, the Los Angeles Times reported Friday.

Preparations and the first of three launches of the December 2 test were complete before the monitors detected them, the newspaper said.

The monitors picked up the missile about one minute before impact.

U.S. military officials, who believed they could detect any Iraqi fueling and prelaunch programs, were reportedly taken by surprise.

"We had no advance warning," an unidentified administration official was quoted as saying.

Iraq had warned commercial airliners to avoid its airspace before the test,

but did not elaborate. The newspaper said that warning spurred U.S. and Israeli officials to ready their air forces for a possible attack.

A number of pilots were in their cockpits, "ready to go," one official told the Times.

The official said that Joseph Wilson, the chief U.S. diplomat in Baghdad,

received a telephone call from the State Department in Washington after the first missile was fired.

"The balloon is going up - this is no drill," the caller reportedly told Mr. Wilson.

Officials later reported the launch had been a test.

The missiles, launched from a site near Basra in southeastern Iraq, traveled more than 640 kilometers (400 miles) west toward Israel before they landed in a remote area in the Iraqi desert, the Times said.

The newspaper noted that if the missiles had been fired southward, they could have hit U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia, and if they had been launched from western Iraq, they could have reached Jerusalem and Tel Aviv.

According to U.S. officials, the missiles were fired from an area that was not being monitored.

But one expert, Seth Carus of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy,

told the Times it was strange that Basra would not be under surveillance because short-range missiles could be launched at U.S. forces from there.

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#90355d3360 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KIGALI (DEC. 21) - The trial of Patriotic Front rebels captured during fighting in Rwanda in October when they invaded from Uganda is to open next Friday, Justice Minister Theoneste Mujyanama told the diplomatic corps.

Alleged accomplices picked up in subsequent sweeps through villages would also be tried. The minister said there were 1,566 people in preventive detention.

The trial would be before the state security court in the capital and would be open to the public, with defence rights scrupulously respected, the minister said.

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#90355d3370 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
UNDATED (DEC. 21) - Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze's shock resignation has caused confusion and alarm throughout the world, with politicians and observers wondering what lies ahead for the Soviet Union.

In the Soviet Union itself press reaction was divided. Liberal papers said Mr. Shevardnadze's resignation was "a loss for (Soviet President Mikhail) Gorbachev" while conservative ones said the resignation was "spiteful."

Anatoli Sobchak, the reformist mayor of Leningrad, told the Congress of Deputies on Friday that Mr. Shevardnadze's warning on the risks of dictatorship were "very serious." He said that if the government was not able to stabilise economic relations between the regions and the republics, "dozens and then hundreds of companies will have to close as from January 1 because of lack of supplies."

"We'll then see democrats and conservatives begging the military to come and govern us."

The Communist Party paper Pravda was the only one in Moscow not to lead its front-page with the resignation story nor to publish a picture of the foreign minister.

Moskovski Komsomolets, the young Communists' daily, quoted Vladimir Ptrovski, deputy foreign minister, who said his boss's resignation was due "to the return of totalitarian-dictatorial thought which is still very strong in certain quarters."

Krasnaia Zvezda, the armed forces' daily, vigorously defended Colonels Nikolai Petruchenko and Viktor Alknis of the Soyuz conservative group whom Mr. Shevardnadze accused of being "reactionary."

In the United States, Secretary of State James Baker said Mr. Shevardnadze's warning against the emergence of a dictatorship in the Soviet Union should not be taken lightly.

In his emotional resignation speech Mr. Shevardnadze said he was stepping down as "a warning" against the emergence of "reactionary forces" in the Soviet Union.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Mr. Shevardnadze's announcement was "indicative of the seriousness of the situation in the Soviet Union. This is clearly a critical time for the process of political and economic reform in the Soviet Union."

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#90355d3460 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC. 21) - Pakistan's Supreme Court has suspended judicial proceedings in five cases of alleged abuse of power against ousted prime minister Benazir Bhutto, court sources said Friday.

It ordered the suspension while admitting for hearing Thursday a petition by Ms. Bhutto seeking transfer of the cases from Lahore to Karachi, they said.

Ms. Bhutto is facing trial in seven cases before special courts in Lahore and Karachi on charges brought against her by President Ghulam Ishaq Khan after he dismissed her government in August for alleged corruption and misrule.

If convicted the former premier can be barred from politics for up to seven years.

Ms. Bhutto's Peoples Democratic Alliance has threatened to boycott parliament if its leaders are disqualified from politics.

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#90355d3480 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 21) - Cambodia's rival factions grouped in the Supreme National Council sat at the negotiating table together Friday for the first time in three months to discuss a U.N.-brokered draft peace settlement.

The 12 members of the transitional authority embodying Cambodia's sovereignty until U.N.-supervised general elections, opened a meeting at the government conference centre here on the urging of France and Indonesia, co-chairman of the Paris international conference on Cambodia.

The session was also attended by the U.N. Secretary-General's special representative Raffeedin Ahmed.

About 150 representatives of the Cambodian community in France, including Buddhist monks, gathered outside the centre to watch the participants arrive, holding up placards reading: "99 per cent of Cambodians support the U.N. plan."

The plan provides for a U.N. transitional authority to have sweeping powers, including the right to take over key ministries, in the run-up to elections.

But Hun Sen, prime minister of the Vietnamese-installed Phnom Penh government, said on arrival here Friday that the Cambodians in the SNC would work together "to decide what powers the United Nations should have".

A U.N. role was necessary, he said but Cambodia should "not be placed under contol of another country or an international organisation".

Mr. Hun Sen, whose government has six seats on the SNC, had earlier criticisedthe proposals for "dismantling" his regime.

The participants joined in prayers with the Buddhist monks holding candles as they entered the conference centre.

French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas and his Indonesian counterpart Ali Alatas were to officially submit for approval to the SNC the "proposed structure" for agreements on a political settlement.

The SNC is made up of representatives of the three Cambodian resistance factions and of the Phonm Penh government.

Details of the plan were worked out by representatives of the five permanent members of the Security Council in Paris on November 26.

At the same time, Friday's meeting provides an opportunity for the SNC to meet face to face and start work on its peace mandate.

The SNC, formed in Jakarta in September, has only met once - unsuccessfully - since its formation, and the peace process had been held up because the 12 failed to agree on a president.

The deadlock, which has prevented the SNC taking its U.N. seat, was only broken last week, when Prince Sihanouk, leader of the resistance coalition, announced that he was renouncing his claim to the presidency.

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#90355d3510 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DHAKA (DEC. 21) - Mosharraf Hossain, industry secretary under ousted Bangladesh president Hussain Mohammad Ershad, was arrested Friday and detained for 120 days under the 1974 Special Powers Act, state-run television said.

Mr. Hossain and his wife Zeenat, known for their close links with Mr. Ershad, were arrested in Mymensingh about 110 kilometers (70 miles) north of here and driven straight to Dhaka Central Jail, it said.

Acting President Shahabuddin Ahmed's interim government has issued arrest orders for 13 ministers and officials.

The vice president, deputy prime minister and home minister in Mr. Ershad's cabinet were arrested in the last several days.

Sources said Mr. Ershad, now under house arrest with his wife, was considering filing a court petition against his detention order.

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#90355d3600 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Bucharest (DEC. 21) - The Romanian parliament held a special commemorative session here Friday to mark the first anniversary of the overthrow of dictator Nicolae Ceausescu.

With President Ion Iliescu in attendance, the parliament also paid tribute to the memory of the several hundred people killed in the days of bloody unrest when the Ceausescu regime was toppled.

Outside on the streets, meanwhile, tens of thousands of Romanians staged a march. At the university square in downtown Bucharest, demonstrators chanted slogans demanding that Iliescu and his government step down.

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#90355d3620 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COLOMBO (DEC. 21) - Security forces have killed 41 guerrillas in a fresh offensive against Tamil rebels in Sri Lanka's northeast, officials said here Friday.

State Minister for Defence Ranjan Wijeratne saud a major crackdown against the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) was launched Thursday to "clear out the remnants of the LTTE."

Earlier the government had claimed it had established total control over vast areas in the Tamil-majority northeast which had been occupied by the LTTE since Indian troops completed their withdrawal from Sri Lanka in March.

"We are ready to hammer right round the wicket. Sixes and fours will be flying off the bat," Mr. Wijeratne said, using cricket parlance to stress that the operations would be extensive and successful.

He said troops currently battling the LTTE in the northeast had been

reinforced after a landmine blast killed two senior officers Tuesday.

Naval gunboats shot and destroyed five boats off the Batticaloa coast late Thursday, killing 32 LTTE men, the minister said.

The LTTE resumed their 17 year old separatist campaign after abruptly ending peace talks with Colombo on June 11.

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#90355d3650 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 21) - NATO ambassadors were meeting in extraordinary session Friday to discuss implications of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze's resignation.

Thursday's resignation took North Atlantic Treaty Organization ambassadors by surprise and in initial reactions they said they were worried by this latest development in the Soviet Union and hoped democratic reforms there would continue.

At NATO headquarters Mr. Shevardnadze was described as a "trustworthy and appreciated interlocutor," not only concerning Europe's post-Cold War future but also over the Gulf crisis.

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#90355d3750 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 21) - The British balance of payments showed a current account deficit of 971 million pounds (about 1.8 billion dollars) in November compared with a deficit of 1.06 billion pounds in October, provisional, seasonally-adusted official figures showed on Friday.

Analaysts had forecast a deficit of 800 million pounds.

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#90355d3950 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

Frankfurt (DEC. 21) - The remains of thousands of victims of Nazi war crimes were buried at a cemetery here Friday.

The remains had been used by medical students at the universities of Frankfurt Giessen and Marburg since the end of World War Ii in 1945. They were buried near a memorial for the victims of Nazi Germany.

The minister of science in the German state of Hesse, Wolfgang Gerhardt, said during the funeral service that research had moral limits. ''Curiosity cannot be boundless,'' he noted.

A representative of the Jewish community in Hesse said it was ''macabre'' that students had been allowed to study over the past 45 years with the help of human remains obtained ''in a criminal situation''.

He was alluding to the millions of Jews, prisoners-of-war and political opponents killed by the Nazis in concentration camps.

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#90355d4160 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 21) - Twenty-one soldiers were seriously injured, nine by gunfire, in ethnic fighting within a battalion in the city of Chop in the western Ukraine, the news agency TASS reported on Friday.

The agency said no one was killed in the several hours of fighting between soldiers from Armenia, Azerbaijan, the Caucasus, Uzbekistan and Turkmenia.

An unspecified number of soldiers were less seriously injured.

TASS said that combatants in an "inter-ethnic quarrel" had obtained arms from the arsenal, but only after several were hit in the legs by gunfire from the troops guarding the arms depot.

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#90355d4240 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SHKODER, ALBANIA (DEC 21) - Every day at 4:00 p.m., hundreds of people gather outside this Albanian city's Catholic cemetery to listen to Father Simon Jubani say mass.

As night falls Father Jubani, who has spent 26 of his 63 years in Albanian jails and camps, gives a long sermon. He speaks of Moses, Joan of Arc, the Pharaohs, Bethlehem and Christmas to the hordes of faithful starved of religion for 23 years.

In 1967 all churches and mosques in Albania were closed by the communist authorities. It was only in early November that Catholics -- who make up 10 per cent of the population with 70 per cent Moslems and 20 per cent Greek Orthodox -- were allowed to organize legal mass.

The sight of the faithful is an event in a country which, just over a month ago, forbade all public expressions of faith. Father Jubani, assisted by a choirboy in a white robe, celebrates mass in his small chapel, faced with a crowd strung out through the cemetery, some leaning on bicylces, some sitting on tombs.

There are children in pushchairs, blind people with guides, students, elderly women and soldiers in uniform all following the traditional Catholic gestures

as though they had never stopped practising their faith.

Father Jubani's voice, broadcast with the help of a homemade sound system, is sometimes drowned by birdsong. Two candlesticks throw a feeble light in the cemetery which slowly sinks into darkness.

In a wing of the cemetery's chapel, which was renovated a month ago by volunteers, a choir sings hymns, echoed by a few old women in the crowd who remember them from times past.

Once mass is over, many faithful come to touch and kiss the altar. Mothers lift their children so that they can kiss the wooden crucifix hung above the altar.

In a small, badly heated room, Father Jubani is surrounded by his new parishoners including some of Shkoder's many Moslems.

Father Jubani is not worried by his new burden of work. "I survived 26 years in prison through prayer, reading and good physical condition," he said optimistically.

He was released in April 1989 from serving a life sentence imposed because of his work as a priest.

His first legal mass celebrated on Novemer 4 in Shkoder cemetery attacted 5,000 people. The following week 50,000 squeezed into the small cemetery to attend mass.

Similar numbers are expected for the Christmas midnight mass on December 24. It will be the first Christmas mass openly celebrated in Albania for 23 years.

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#90355d4340 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMSTERDAM (DEC. 21) - The Dutch DNB central bank on Friday carried out a repurchase arrangement lasting until January 2 at 8.9 per cent, representing an increase of 0.1 percentage points, the bank said.

The arrangement involved 1.888 billion guilder which financial circles said did not meet market demand. They did not rule out the possibility of another repurchase arrangement being made before the end of the year.

It was the fifth such increase since the beginning of December. On December 10 the rate was increased from 8.6 per cent to 8.8 per cent.

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#90355d5000 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC 21) - Iraq Friday staged a massive evacuation drill involving one million Baghdad residents amid mounting fears of a war as time for diplomacy to settle the Gulf crisis was running out.

Iraq, facing a threat of war from the U.S.-led multinational force deployed in the Gulf unless it withdraws its troops from Iraqi-annexed Kuwait before January 15, carried out a similar evacuation drill in the second-largest city Basra Thursday.

In Friday's drill thousands of Baghdad residents poured into the streets after air-raid sirens were sounded at 07:00 a.m. local time. People were taken by Iraqi Civil Defence buses and vehicles to seven camps outside the capital, Iraqi officials said.

In the past few days Iraqi television has been airing special programmes showing the people how to use gas masks in the event of a poison gas attack. The government has also ordered landlords in Baghdad to set up bomb shelters in their buildings.

Turkey, the only North Atlantic Treaty Organisation member which borders on Iraq, confirmed its request to Nato for three squadrons of combat aircraft planes to deter a possible Iraqi attack.

Turkish Defence Minister Husnu Bojan said the about 40 aircraft would be stationed in southeastern Turkey.

Germany gave a cautious response to the request, saying it was up to the Brussels Nato authorities to discuss the issue. Bonn government spokesman Dieter Vogel said there was no question of land-based forces being sent to Turkey.

In Brussels, a Nato spokesman said Ankara's request was being considered. The decision-making process was under way, he added.

In Washington, Britain's new Prime Minister, John Major, warned that an offensive will be launched against Iraq unless it pulls its troops out of Kuwait. ''Nobody wants a war. The question is, will it be necessary?'' Major told U.S. television viewers.

''(Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein can stop a war. If he obeys the U.N. Security Council resolutions, withdraws from Kuwait, goes back to Iraq, he will not be attacked,'' he said.

''But it is very clearly in his hands,'' said Major who arrived Thursday for his first visit to the United States since he took over his new office from Margaret Thatcher last monthhe added.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker Thursday warned that time was running out

as the January 15 deadline approached. He said he was ready to travel to Baghdad immediately if Iraq wanted this.

The Gulf crisis will top the agenda of a summit conference of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (Gcc) which opens in the Qatari capital Doha Saturday.

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#90355d5050 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 21) - The European Community (EC) decided on Friday to prolong for one year an agreement allowing advantages for the import of U.S corn and sorgum, EC sources said.

A decision not to extend the agreement, which was to expire at the end of the year, had threatened to trigger a new trade war, but EC agriculture ministers on Friday gave the go-ahead for an extension.

But in return the United States will have to undertake not to seek a further extension in 1991, and will have to make gestures of goodwil on other agricultural disputes, and particularly on a U.S. ban until next summer on the importation of wine made from grapes treated with the procymidone fungicide.

Most of the wine concerned is made in France. Before the meeting France, which is a major exporter of cereals, had said that it would object to any extension of the corn agreement beyond six months.

The corn agreement permits the United States to export two million tonnes of corn and 30,000 tonnes of sorgum to Spain and Portugal at preferential rates of customs duty.

The arrangement was established in 1987 to compensate for market share lost when Spain and Portugal entered the EC.

The United States said that if the agreement were not extended it would apply 200 per cent customs duties on EC exports of agricultural produce and drinks worth 420 million dollars.

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#90355d5100 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 21) - Prices in Latvia are to rise by at least 300 percent from January 3, on the basis of a list of new prices which was published by the Latvian government on Friday, the BNS Baltic news agency reported.

The retail prices of bread, flour and meat will rise by 300 percent on average while prices for milk products will rise by 3.2 times.

To compensate for the increases, workers will receive and additional 66 rubles

(40 dollars) per month, and aid will be provided for families with many children and for young mothers.

Lithuania has already announced similar measures for next year. Estonia, the third Baltic republic, introduced smaller increases in October.

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#90355d5250 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 21) - Tin prices fell to their lowest level since the introduction of the contract on the London Metal Exchange, while copper and nickel prices firmed.

On the kerb three month tin was quoted slightly up at 5,700 dollars per tonne compared to 5,680 dollars at the close of both afternoon and morning rings. The cash price of tin in the morning ring went down to 5,520 dollars - the lowest level since the introduction of the contract in June 1989.

LME stocks rose by 600 tonnes to a three year high 19,980 tonnes, reflecting the build up of stocks which has pressurised prices. Dealers indicated that the arrival of Brazilian stocks in Rotterdam had undermined any potential for a rally on end-of-year tightness.

Nickel continued to rise on the news that Societe Le Nickel could not guarantee deliveries after January from its New Caledonian plant which sufferred fire damage earlier in the week.

On the kerb the metal was quoted at 8,550 dollars per tonne, unchanged from the afternoon ring but up from 8,450 dollars Thursday. Prices have risen by five hundred dollars this week, with the threat of disruptions to Soviet supplies as economic chaos spreads in that country, bringing further support.

The rise of 1,632 tonnes in LME stocks to 4,146 tonnes had no effect.

Copper continued its technical correction, being quoted at 1,346 pounds per tonne on the kerb, against 1,341 pounds on the afternoon ring and 1,325 pounds Thursday.

Copper stocks rose by 6,300 tonnes to 173,275 tonnes.

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#90355d5290 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) - The Soviet Union is suffering from falling employment and output as it dismantles its old economic system while failing to implement the necessary market reforms, four major financial institutions said Friday in an unprecedented report.

The International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development and the recently-formed European Bank for Reconstruction and Development were asked to compile the first official in-depth study of the Soviet economy by leaders of the seven major industrialized nations at their Houston, Texas summit in July.

The report was drawn up, "in close consultation with the Commission of the European Communities," said the IMF Friday. In Brussels, the commission issued its own report which came to the same general conclusions about the sorry state of the Soviet economy.

The four-body report is likely to be discussed in depth when the finance ministers and central bank governors of the seven major industrialized nations -- the United States, Japan, Germany, Britain, France, Canada and Italy -- meet in Washington next month.

The report urges Western help in some sectors for the Soviet economy, but also warns against ploughing money into a bankrupt system unless that system undertakes sweeping reforms.

The international institutions warned that the present economic problems of the Soviet Union were being compounded by new phenomena -- an increasing ethnic movement and growing awareness by Soviet citizens of environmental problems.

The report points out: "The old planning system has broken down but has not been dismantled; meanwhile, the structures vital to the functioning of a market have yet to be put in place.

"This will require an early and effective clarification of the division of responsibilities between the union and the republics."

The report said it was worth stressing three points:

- "There is no example of a successful modern centrally planned economy;"

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#90355d5360 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) - U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said Friday that war with Iraq appeared increasingly likely because Saddam Hussein does not understand allied resolve to drive him out of Kuwait.

"It increasingly looks like he's not getting the message and we'll have to use force," Mr. Cheney said in Saudi Arabia, speaking to U.S. troops. His comments were broadcast by Cable News Network.

The chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Colin Powell, who was traveling with Mr. Cheney, said any U.S. attack on Iraq would involve a massive

air, land and sea campaign.

"When we launch it, we'll launch it violently, in a way that will make it decisive so we can get it over with and there's no question who won," Gen. Powell said.

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#90355d5410 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LUCERNE, SWITZERLAND (DEC. 21) - De Beers Centenary AG, the Swiss holding company of the De Beers diamong selling organisation, has agreed to lend 50 million dollars to the Angolan state diamond company Endiama, De Beers announced here.

The agreement, to be finalised in January, covers the marketing by the De Beers Control Selling Organisation in London of diamonds from the Cuango region, and the development of new mines in Angola. The De Beers organisation is based on South African capital.

The loan will be used to develop alluvial production in the Cuango region. The agreement also allows for the construction by De Beers of a building in Luanda for the selection and evaluation of Angolan diamond production.

Endiama said here Thursday that provided the agreement were concluded, it was prepared to sell its Cuango diamonds to De Beers immediately.

Under a second part of the agreement, De Beers must spend at least 50 million dollars during the next five years to evaluate kimberlite reserves in the Camutue region in northeast Angola, and to prospect new sources of supply.

De Beers said: "If, as it is hoped, a mine or mines result from this prospecting, a joint company will be formed between Endiama and De Beers Centenary to develop them. It is currently estimated that the cost of developing a major new kimberlite diamond mine is in the region of one billion dollars."

The re-establishment of links between De Beers and Angola comes just four months after De Beers signed an exclusive contract with the Soviet Union to take delivery of uncut Soviet diamonds. Relations between De Beers and the Soviet Union had been broken in 1963.

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#90355d5540 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 21) - A reorganisation of the power structure of the Soviet Union was explained to the Congress of Soviet People's Deputies here Friday by Supreme Soviet speaker Anatoli Lukyanov.

The presentation on the constitutional amendments, which are backed by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, followed the conclusion of debate on a new union treaty loosening some bonds of this country's 15 constituent republics to the centre.

Speeches on the far-reaching changes continued to be overshadowed Friday by fallout from the bombshell announcement the day before by Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze that he was resigning to protest at an approaching dictatorship.

The chief of the Soviet general staff, General Mikhail Moisseyev, rejected the warning Friday. He told reporters there was no danger.

Lukyanov said the constitutional changes, which enlarge Gorbachev's powers and can only be passed by a two-thirds majority of the congress, would secure well-being and peace for millions of people.

Among the changes is the creation of a Soviet vice-presidency. The council of ministers is to be replaced by a cabinet subordinate to Gorbachev.

The republics gain a greater say in the running of the country. The federation council, which all republic leaders are members of, will shift from an advisory role to decision making.

To combat crime, a special coordination committee under the president will be set up.

Summing up the union treaty debate, Tass said most deputies had supported the proposal. But the independent-minded Baltic republic of Estonia Tuesday led the ranks of republics that do not intend to sign the treaty. A resolution is to be put to the vote next week.

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#90355d5640 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 21) - Final prices in pounds Sterling (unless otherwise stated) per ton - cash and forward. Also given are the previous trading day's quotations.

cash forward
Copper 1,326.00 (1,316.00) 1,340.50 (1,325.20)
Lead 313.50 (315.00) 328.50 (328.25)
Zinc Hg 1,253.50 (1,247.50) 1,255.50 (1,251.00)
Tin 5,547.50 (5,615.00) 5,675.00 (5,722.50)
Aluminium 1,514.00 (1,520.00) 1,551.50(1,553.50)
Nickel 8,585.00 (8,475.00) 8,545.00 (8,445.00)

(Tin, Aluminium and Nickel in dollars per ton)

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#90355d5800 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK (DEC. 21) - The United Nations Security Council deferred Friday for six months a decision on how to keep going a financially strapped U.N. peacekeeping force in Cyprus.

The 2,132 peacekeepers, known by the acronym Unficyp, are meant to keep apart ethnic Turks and ethnic Greeks on the divided Mediterranean island. But the United Nations has never collected enough money to pay the troops, who come from Canada, Austria, Denmark, Finland, Ireland, Sweden, Britain and Australia.

Most of the cost has had to be paid by those states. The main reason for the arrears is the fact that contributions from other U.N. member states for Unficyp are voluntary. Dues for U.N. forces elsewhere are compulsory.

A unanimous resolution Friday said the Security Council would seek another form of fundraising next year for Unficyp.

Diplomats had earlier expected the Security Council to impose a levy on all U.N. members according to their financial resources, but said the Soviet Union objected at the last minute. The Kremlin would have had to pay the second-biggest contribution after Washington.

Since the force was created in 1964, its arrears have mounted to 170 million dollars.

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#90355d5920 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NICOSIA (DEC. 21) - Iraq's invasion of Kuwait has altered the political map in the Middle East and the Gulf, set governments and people against one another and sent shock waves across the globe.

The August 2 invasion split the Arab League and underlined the ineffectiveness of the Gulf Cooperation Council, the Organisation of the Islamic Conference and other regional forums.

But worst of all, from an Arab perspective, it signalled that the economically powerful but militarily vulnerable Gulf oil states would remain dependent on foreigners to guarantee their security.

"The Gulf crisis has divided the Arab world in a concrete way. It will be very difficult to mend these divisions once things are back to normal. Not impossible, but very difficult," an exiled Kuwaiti government official, who asked not to be named, told AFP.

The first cracks appeared shortly after the invasion of Kuwait when only 12 of the Arab League's 21 members backed a resolution denouncing Baghdad and approving the deployment of Arab defense forces in Saudi Arabia.

Libya and the Palestine Liberation Organization, along with Iraq, voted against the resolution, Jordan, Yemen and Algeria abstained while Mauritania and Sudan voiced reservations. Tunisia was absent.

The PLO position generated bitterness among Gulf states, particularly Kuwait, which for years had been a major financial backer of the organization's struggle against Israel.

"The Palestinians stabbed Kuwait in the back and, contrary to what they believe, they will be coming out of all this as losers," a senior Arab diplomat said.

The United States and Britain, leaders of a Western alliance against Iraq, watched approvingly as the anti-Iraqi Arab coalition -- Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Syria -- confronted Yemen, Jordan and the PLO.

Washington wrote off Egypt's 6.7 billion dollar military debt to the United States and improved ties with Syria. Saudi Arabia also cancelled a 4.5-billion-dollar Egyptian obligation and several states provided financial aid to Cairo.

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#90355d5980 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VENICE, Italy (DEC. 21) - Abu Iyad, a leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), was acquitted by a court here Friday of charges of supplying arms to Italy's Red Brigades terrorist organization in 1979.

Thirteen other defendants, including six members of the Red Brigades and five top members of the Italian secret service, were also acquitted.

Prosecutors had demanded a 16-year prison sentence for Abu Iyad on December 6. The trial opened on October 2 following a seven-year investigation.

Prosecutors had charged during the trial that the PLO had supplied a shipload of weapons, including 150 machineguns, bazookas, grenades and ground-to-air missiles, to the Red Brigades in September 1979.

The Italian secret service officers were accused of ignoring the illegal arms shipment.

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#90355d6060 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON (DEC 21) - At least 13 deaths have been blamed on extreme weather conditions throughout the United States this week, including a arctic front blanketing the western states, from the normally clement Pacific Northwest to the desert southwest.

In Nevada, more renowned for is deserts, ice and freezing conditions hit many towns including one called Caliente, whose Spanish name (meaning hot) usually accurately describes the locality.

Freezing rain was reported from Texas in the south to the Great Lakes that straddle the Canadian border.

Gallup, New Mexico, residents suffered the unusual experience of heavy snow to such a degree that the police chief asked locals to pick up drunks, take them home and then get the police to arrest them.

Police Chief Frank Gonzales complained of "different people calling us to report drinks laying out on the sidewalks and that the snow is covering them up."

Mr. Gonzales added: "I wish they would help us by taking them inside, and we could pick them up then."

Heavy snow also blanketed much of the rest of the Western United States, stranding many residents and downing power lines, leaving thousands of people without electricity.

Officials around the country reported weather-related deaths totalling 13 people since Tuesday in Washington state, Iowa, Oregon, California, and Oklahoma.

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#90355d6130 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) - The World Bank admitted Friday it did not expect Iraq to repay more than 10 million dollars it currently owes the international institution.

The bank revealed Friday that it had decided Monday to put Iraq on its "non-accrual status," jargon for countries which are six months behind on their payments.

Iraq currently owes the bank 7.1 million dollars in principal and 3.1 million dollars in interest.

As a precaution against the possibility that Iraq will never repay the debt, the bank will put aside one per cent of the total debt each month as a reserve.

One of the reasons, the bank said, for Iraq not being able to repay its debts has been the freezing of Iraqi assets by most countries in compliance with United Nations' resolutions passed since Iraq invaded Kuwait on August 2.

Eight other states are on the "non-accrual" list, including Syria, one of the nations to have stationed troops in Saudi Arabia as part of the anti-Iraq coalition.

The other countries are Liberia, Zambia, Somalia, Peru, Panama, Nicaragua and Guatemala.

Countries on the non-accrual list are ineligible for further World Bank loans.

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#90355d6140 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (DEC. 21) - Colombian Interior Minister Julio Cesar Sanchez resigned from his post Friday after holding the position for a little more than four months.

Mr. Sanchez, a former mayor of Bogota and senator from Cundinamarca province, handed over his resignation to President Cesar Gaviria.

The outgoing Interior minister gave no reason for stepping down, only telling reporters he had no dispute with Mr. Gaviria.

His resignation comes as Mr. Gaviria is taking a new tack in his battle against the country's cocaine cartels, offering reduced sentences and no extradition to drug barons who turn themselves in to authorities.

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#90355d6250 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (DEC. 21) - King Fahd on Friday defended Saudi Arabia's use of its oil revenues and rejected Iraqi charges that the Arab world's wealth was not fairly distributed.

"This argument has been used for political ends ... and it does not concern us at all," the Saudi Press Agency quoted the monarch as saying.

King Fahd, inspecting works to enlarge the mausoleum of the Prophet Mohammad in the holy city of Medina, said Saudi Arabia had "never failed its Moslem brothers or Arab countries" in granting aid.

"We have never put on display what we have given," he said.

King Fahd said his country needed "enormous sums" for infractracture plans over the next 10 to 15 years, including roads, electricity projects, telephone

networks, universities and schools.

Estimates of the country's oil revenues had been exaggerated, he said.

"Some people are stating that Saudi Arabia is selling its oil at a price of between 35 and 40 dollars per barrel," the king said.

"The price of light crude is not more than 26 dollars a barrel in most cases, while that of other categories of crude is around 15 dollars a barrel."

Iraq has accused Saudi Arabia and pre-invasion Kuwait of squandering its oil revenues and called for a redistribution of wealth between the rich Gulf states and the poorer northern states of the Middle East.

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#90355d6430 12/21/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) - Sadako Ogata, a woman professor from Japan, was appointed new United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees by the U.N. General Assembly in a unanimous vote Friday.

Ogata, 63, who takes office for three years starting in the new year is the first woman to head the Geneva-based commission, which is responsible for about 15 million refugees around the world.

The professor of international relations was nominated by U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

Norwegian, Italian and Canadian officials were also proposed, but observers said a Japanese was desired because Tokyo is the second-biggest contributor to the agency.

Depending entirely on voluntary funding, the high commission's outgoings have hovered around 500 million dollars per annum for several years though the number of refugees keeps rising.

The post became vacant as of November 2, after the last commissioner, Thorvald Stoltenberg, gave up after only 10 months in the job so as to become Norwegian foreign minister again.

Perez's favourite for the post was his chief of cabinet, Virendra Dayal from India. But Dayal said in November he was not available after he was publicly criticised by the West.

Ogata, who has attended U.S. universities, has been a professor at Sophia University of Tokyo's institute of international relations since 1980. Since 1989 she has been dean of the university's foreign relations faculty.

She is also the U.N. Human Rights Commission's independent expert on the situation in Burma. Between 1976 and 1979 she worked at the Japanese U.N. mission in New York and from 1978 to 1979 she chaired the executive council of Unicef, the U.N. children's charity.

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#90355e0015 12/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

MADRID (DEC. 21) EFE - Spanish drug police seized 144 kg of cocaine hidden in a luxury automobile when they arrested two members of a gang of Colombian drug traffickers in the capital, police said Friday.

The drugs, captured Wednesday in a bust on a phony import-export company that the gang was using as a front, was worth about dlrs 100 million at street prices, police said.

A police spokesman said the cocaine was found stashed in a Mercedes Benz belonging to one of the suspects.

Spanish authorities said they have confiscated 3,600 kg of cocaine this year, a 300 per cent increase on 1989 seizures. Spain is a major gateway for cocaine smuggled from South America for the European market.

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#90355e0027 12/21/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Madrid (DEC. 21) EFE - Share prices on the Madrid stock market edged up Friday with the general index rising .60 points to end trading at 227.91.

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#90355h0003 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 21) XINHUA - NEARLY 12 MILLION PEOPLE IN INDIA ARE BLIND AT PRESENT, AN INCREASE OF 30 PERCENT FROM THE NINE MILLION TWO YEARS AGO, ACCORDING TO AN INSTITUTE STUDY.

ANOTHER 45 MILLION PEOPLE FROM THE COUNTRY'S 800 MILLION POPULATION SUFFER FROM EYE PROBLEMS, LOCAL PRESS TODAY QUOTED THE STUDY REPORT BY THE VENU EYE INSTITUTE IN NEW DELHI AS SAYING.

ABOUT 80 PERCENT OF BLINDNESS IN INDIA IS DUE TO CATARACT WHICH IS CURABLE.

A LARGE PROPORTION OF THE BLIND COME FROM THE UNDERPRIVILEGED CLASSES, THE MAJORITY OF WHOM ARE ILLITERATES. MALNUTRITION AND A LACK OF AWARENESS AGGRAVATE THE PROBLEM, THE REPORT SAID.

THE INSTITUTE WARNED ONE MILLION PEOPLE WILL BE ADDED ANNUALLY TO THE BLIND POPULATION IF NO MORE EFFORTS ARE MADE TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM.

THE PROBLEM OF EYE DISEASE AND BLINDNESS HAS ALREADY ATTRACTED SPECIAL ATTENTION IN INDIA. MORE THAN 80 FULLY-EQUIPPED GENERAL MOBILE UNITS ARE FUNCTIONING ALL OVER THE COUNTRY. GOVERNMENT-FINANCED EYE SCREENING CAMPS ARE HELD FREQUENTLY TO PROVIDE FREE EXAMINATION AND TREATMENT. ENDITEM 12210536 21/12/90 05:41 GMT

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#90355h0005 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 21) XINHUA - CHINA HAS BECOME THE WORLD'S LARGEST EXPORTER OF TUNGSTEN.

STATISTICS SHOW THAT CHINA'S TUNGSTEN EXPORTS, WHICH AMOUNTED TO ONLY SEVERAL HUNDRED TONS IN THE EARLY 1980S, ROSE DRAMATICALLY TO 4,000 TONS IN 1985-86, DOUBLED TO 8,000 TONS IN 1987, AND OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS INCREASED TO 13,000 TONS PER YEAR.

IN 1989 THE COUNTRY'S EXPORTS OF TUNGSTEN ORE AND PRODUCTS WAS UP 4.4 PERCENT OVER THE PREVIOUS YEAR, AND ACCOUNTED FOR OVER TWO-THIRDS OF THE WORLD TOTAL.

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#90355h0006 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC. 21) XINHUA - PAKISTANI PRIME MINISTER NAWAZ SHARIF WILL VISIT IRAN AND TURKEY IN JANUARY, ACCORDING TO A FOREIGN OFFICE ANNOUNCEMENT PUBLISHED HERE TODAY.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID THAT DURING HIS FIRST OFFICIAL FOREIGN TOUR, NAWAZ SHARIF WILL VISIT IRAN FROM JANUARY 19 TO 21 AND THEN GO TO TURKEY ON A FOUR-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT.

THE FOREIGN OFFICE ALSO SAID THAT BEFORE NAWAZ SHARIF'S VISIT ABROAD, FOREIGN MINISTERS OF PAKISTAN, IRAN AND TURDEY WILL MEET IN ISLAMABAD ON JANUARY 5.

THE TRILATERAL MEETING IS THE FOLLOW-UP TO THE DECISION TAKEN BY THE THREE FOREIGN MINISTERS IN THEIR TEHRAN MEETING LAST AUGUST TO HOLD FREQUENT CONSULTATIONS, THE FOREIGN OFFICE EXPLAINED.

THE FOREIGN OFFICE SAID THAT THE MEETING HAS NO AGENDA, BUT WILL CERTAINLY COVER THE DEVELOPMENT IN THE GULF REGION, AFGHANISTAN AND THE TENSE SITUATION IN SOUTH ASIA.

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#90355h0019 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 21) XINHUA - THE KENYA POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION HAS EXPORTED TO UGANDA 450 TELEPHONE SETS, WHICH WERE MANUFACTURED BY THE

CORPORATION'S GILGIL COMPLEX.

IN A STATEMENT PUBLISHED HERE TODAY, THE CORPORATION SAID THAT THIS IS PART OF AN ORDER OF 1,000 SETS AND IS THE FIRST TIME FOR KENYA TO EXPORT GILGIL PRODUCTS TO AN AFRICAN COUNTRY.

ACCORDING TO THE STATEMENT, TANZANIA ALSO PLACED AN ORDER OF TELEPHONE SETS, SWITCHBOARDS AND PRIVATE LETTER BOXES WORTH MORE THAN 18 MILLION SHILLINGS (ABOUT 800,000 U.S. DOLLARS).

THE GILGIL COMPLEX, WHICH WAS INAUGURATED IN DECEMBER OF 1988, HAS EXPORTED 60 MILLION SHILLINGS (ABOUT 2.6 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) OF CABLE FORMS TO EUROPE FOR THE AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CORPORATION.

THE COMPLEX HAS A CAPACITY OF MANUFACTURING MORE THAN 100,000 TELEPHONE SETS, 1,500 SWITCH BOARDS AND OTHER TELE- COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT A YEAR.

IT WAS REPORTED THAT KENYA IS THE ONLY COUNTRY WITH SUCH A COMPLEX IN SUB-SAHARIAN AFRICA.

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#90355h0050 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ULAN BATOR (DEC. 21) XINHUA - INDIAN TRAVELLER-ON-FOOT VIKAS SINGH ARRIVED HERE THURSDAY AFTER WALKING ACROSS THE GOBI DESERT OF MONGOLIA, THE NEWSPAPER "UNIAN" REPORTED.

SINGH, A 25-YEAR-OLD ENGINEER, STARTED OFF HIS ROUND-THE-WORLD JOURNEY FROM NEW DEHLI ON OCTOBER 3, 1987.

HE HAS WALKED THROUGH 12 ASIAN COUNTRIES, COVERING A TOTAL DISTANCE OF 17,015 KILOMETERS, THE NEWSPAPER SAID.

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#90355h0080 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

TAIYUAN (DEC. 21) XINHUA - A TOTAL OF 24 FOREIGN-FUNDED ENTERPRISES INVOLVING 15 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS IN FOREIGN CAPITAL HAVE BEEN APPROVED IN NORTH CHINA'S SHANXI PROVINCE THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO THE PROVINCIAL STATISTICS BUREAU.

NOW, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF FOREIGN-FUNDED VENTURES IN THE PROVINCE AMOUNTS TO 80 WITH A TOTAL FOREIGN INVESTMENT OF 39.5 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

A LOCAL OFFICIAL SAID THAT MOST OF THESE VENTURES ARE INDUSTRIAL ONES.

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#90355h0088 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (DEC. 21) XINHUA - THE FIRST-STAGE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE WAIGAOQIAO FREE TRADE ZONE IN THE PUDONG DEVELOPMENT AREA OF SHANGHAI HAS BEEN FORMULATED BY THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THIS BIGGEST INDUSTRIAL CITY IN CHINA.

THE FIRST STAGE IS TO DEVELOP AN AREA OF 3.66 SQ KM, WHICH WILL CONTAIN WAREHOUSES, AN ADMINISTRATION CENTER, TRADE AREA, EXPORT-ORIENTED MANUFACTURING AREA AND RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS.

YUAN YANHUA, THE GENERAL DIRECTOR OF THE WAIGAOQIAO FREE TRADE ZONE DEVELOPMENT CO., SAID THAT A BERTH, A POWER STATION, A WATERWORKS AND A CANAL WILL BE BUILT THERE NEXT YEAR.

THE FREE TRADE AREA, PLANNED TO OCCUPY 10 SQ KM, IS LOCATED IN THE NORTHEAST OF THE PUDONG AREA.

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#90355h0089 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (DEC. 21) XINHUA - THE CITY OF SHANGHAI HAS INSTALLED 80,000 TELEPHONES THIS YEAR, EQUAL TO THE NUMBER INSTALLED DURING THE SIX YEARS FROM 1981 TO 1987.

NOW, THE CITY HAS A TOTAL OF 370,000 TELEPHONES. THE AVERAGE ANNUAL INCREASE RATE OF TELEPHONE INSTALLATION SINCE THE MID-1980S IS OVER 20 PERCENT, THANKS TO SIZEABLE FOREIGN INVESTMENT AND FUNDS COLLECTED THROUGH VARIOUS CHANNELS BY THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT.

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#90355h0098 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (DEC. 21) XINHUA - TWO SOUTH KOREANS AND THEIR TWO LOCAL PARTNERS WERE BROUGHT TO A LOCAL COURT HERE TODAY TO FACE CHARGES OF SMUGGLING 68 ELEPHANT TUSKS OUT OF THE EAST AFRICAN COUNTRY.

THE POLICE ACCUSED THEM OF ATTEMPTING TO SMUGGLE 68 TUSKS WEIGHING 897 KILOGRAMS TO A MIDDLE EAST COUNTRY.

THE TWO SOUTH KOREAN BUSINESSMEN WERE ARRESTED BY THE TANZANIAN POLICE LAST WEEK AFTER HIDDEN TUSKS WERE DISCOVERED IN A CONTAINER AT THE PORT OF DAR ES SALAAM.

THE POLICE MOVE IS A PART OF A NATION-WIDE CAMPAIGN AGAINST ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES OF FOREIGN NATIONALS. THE CAMPAIGN WAS LAUNCHED EARLY THIS MONTH BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS OF TANZANIA.

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#90355h0101 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

GUIYANG, SOUTHWEST CHINA (DEC. 21) XINHUA - A SPORTS DANCING TROUPE FROM GERMANY GAVE PERFORMANCES BEFORE SOME 5,000 LOCAL SPECTATORS HERE FRIDAY EVENING.

THE VELBERT SPORTS DANCING TROUPE, WHICH FOUNDED IN 1960'S AND SINCE THEN HAD WON SCORES OF EUROPEAN AND WORLD TITLES, ARRIVED HERE, THE FIRST STOP OF THEIR 20-DAY CHINA TOUR, ON THURSDAY.

AFTER PERFORMING ONCE MORE ON SATURDAY, THE GERMAN DANCERS WILL CONTINUE THEIR JOURNEY TO OTHER CHINESE CITIES, INCLUDING BEIJING, WUHAN, GUANGZHOU AND NANJING.

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#90355h0102 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 21) XINHUA - A CONFERENCE ON THE LOGISTICS OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY (PLA) CLOSED HERE TODAY.

DURING THE CONFERENCE, WHICH OPENED DECEMBER 15, CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL MILITARY COMMISSION JIANG ZEMIN, AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF THE COMMISSION YANG SHANGKUN AND LIU HUAQING MET WITH THE PARTICIPANTS.

ADDRESSING THE MEETING, YANG BAIBING, SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE CENTRAL MILITARY COMMISSION, CALLED ON ARMY LOGISTICS DEPARTMENTS TO PRACTISE ECONOMY AND MAKE THE ARMY LOGISTICS WORK SERVE THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC CONSTRUCTION AS A WHOLE.

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#90355h0109 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

VIENNA (DEC. 21) XINHUA - SWIMMING IN A TIDE OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION, THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT WILL INCREASE ITS EFFORT IN APPEALING FOR EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC) MEMBERSHIP, AUSTRIAN STATE SECRETARY FOR EUROPEAN INTEGRATION PETER JANKOWITSCH SAID HERE TODAY.

JANKOWITSCH, WHO CALLED ON ALL SUBSTANTIAL FORCES IN HIS COUNTRY TO WORK COOPERATIVELY TO THAT EFFECT, SAID HE WOULD LEAD THE AUSTRIAN WORKING FORCE TOWARDS EUROPEAN INTEGRATION WHILE TACKLING ALL THE PROBLEMS EXPECTED TO ARISE IN MOVING THE POLICY FORWARD.

THE WORKING FORCE ON EUROPEAN INTEGRATION WAS ESTABLISHED IN RESPONSE TO THE CALL BY NEWLY-ELECTED PRIME MINISTER FRANZ VRANITZKY, WHO IS TRYING TO PAVE THE WAY FOR FUTURE AUSTRIA-EC TALKS ON AUSTRIA'S APPLICATION TO JOIN THE EC.

IN A MOVE TO MATCH ITS POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARD THE EC, AUSTRIA WILL READJUST CERTAIN GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS TO EC STANDARDS, JANKOWITSCH SAID.

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#90355h0112 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
ANKARA (DEC. 21) XINHUA - ANTI-NARCOTIC POLICE SEIZED 11 KILOGRAMS OF HEROIN IN GAVAS TOWNSHIP OF TURKEY'S EASTERN PROVINCE OF VAN BORDERING IRAN, THE STATE-RUN RADIO REPORTED TODAY.

ACTING ON A TIP OFF, THE POLICE STOPPED A CAR ON THE VAN-BITLIS HIGHWAY AND FOUND THE HEROIN HIDDEN IN SECRET COMPARTMENTS.

THE DRIVER OF THE CAR, UBEYT CAN, WAS DETAINED AND INVESTIGATION WAS UNDERWAY.

DRUGS ARE SMUGGLED INTO TURKEY MAINLY THROUGH ITS SOUTHERN, EASTERN AND SOUTHEASTERN BORDERS. A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT IS SHIPPED TO EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES BEFORE REACHING GERMANY AND OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

TURKEY IS A TRANSIT POINT FOR ABOUT HALF OF THE HEROIN PRODUCED IN THE "GOLDEN TRIANGLE" BORDERING THAILAND, MYANMAR (BURMA) AND LAOS, AND THE "GOLDEN CRESCENT" BORDERING PAKISTAN, AFGHANISTAN AND IRAN.

LAST YEAR TURKEY SEIZED 1,300 KILOGRAMS OF PURE HEROIN, MAINLY FROM AFGHANISTAN, IRAN AND PAKISTAN, AND ABOUT 6,850 KILOGRAMS OF HASHISH, MAINLY FROM BEKKA VALLEY OF LEBANON.

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#90355h0114 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LIMA (DEC. 20) XINHUA - BOLIVIA, COLOMBIA, ECUADOR, PERU AND VENEZUELA WILL CARRY OUT JOINT POLICIES FOR THE IMPORT AND EXPORT OF AGRICULTURAL AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS AND EQUIPPMENTS, ACCORDING TO A RPORT RELEASED BY THE LIMA-BASED CARTAGENA ACCORD GROUP.

UNDER THE JOINT POLICY, IMPORTS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES WILL NOT BE SUBSIDIZED AND PREFERENTIAL EXCHANGE RATES WILL BE SCRAPPED.

PRICES OF PRODUCTS IMPORTED FROM THIRD COUNTRIES WILL BE CONTROLLED WHEN WIDE FLUCTUATIONS ARE REGISTERED ON THE INTERNATIONAL MARKETS.

THE CARTAGENA ACCORD GROUP ALSO SAID THAT ANDEAN NATIONS ARE CURRENTLY REVIEWING THEIR IMPORT POLICIES, ESPECIALLY IMPORTED WHEAT WHICH IS THE SYMBOL OF THEIR DEPENDENCE ON FOREIGN FOOD PRODUCTS.

A NUMBER OF THEM DECIDED TO ADOPT A MECHANISM TO APPLY DUTIES TO IMPORTED PRODUCTS, LIMITING PRICE FLUCTUATIONS TO ENSURE THE STABILITY OF DOMESTIC MARKETS.

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#90355h0116 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
CARACAS (DEC. 20) XINHUA - VENEZUELA HAS DISCOVERED NEW LIGHT AND MEDIUM CRUDE OIL FIELDS WITH RESERVES ESTIMATED AT OVER FOUR BILLION BARRELS.

THE FIELDS, LOCATED IN THE EASTERN PART OF THE STATE OF MONAGAS, WERE FOUND FOLLOWING THE EXPLORATION OF SEISMIC AREAS EXTENDING OVER 8,500 SQUARE KILOMETERS.

WITH THE DISCOVERY, VENEZUELA NOW BOASTS A TOTAL OF 59 BILLION BARRELS OF OIL RESERVES.

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#90355h0117 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
SINGAPORE (DEC. 21) XINHUA - CHINESE AMBASSADOR TO SINGAPORE ZHANG QING PRESENTED HIS CREDENTIALS TO SINGAPORE PRESIDENT WEE KIM WEE IN THE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE HERE TODAY.

ZHANG IS THE FIRST CHINESE AMBASSADOR TO SINGAPORE. THE TWO COUNTRIES ESTABLISHED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS IN OCTOBER THIS YEAR.

AFTER THE CEREMONY, THE SINGAPORE PRESIDENT HAD A FRIENDLY AND CORDIAL TALK WITH THE CHINESE AMBASSADOR.

PRESIDENT WEE SAID THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN CHINA AND SINGAPORE WOULD CERTAINLY PROMOTE TIES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. HE BELIEVED THAT BILATERAL RELATIONS WOULD FURTHER DEVELOP IN ALL FIELDS.

IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS, RELATIONS BETWEEN CHINA AND THE SOUTHEAST ASIA REGION, ESPECIALLY IN THE ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL AREAS, SHOULD BE CLOSER, THE PRESIDENT SAID.

HE HOPED THAT COOPERATION BETWEEN CHINA AND SINGAPORE WOULD BE SUCCESSFUL.

ZHANG CONVEYED CHINESE PRESIDENT YANG SHANGKUN'S CORDIAL GREETINGS TO PRESIDENT WEE AND REPEATED THE CHINESE PRESIDENT'S INVITATION TO PRESIDENT WEE FOR A VISIT TO CHINA.

THE CHINESE AMBASSADOR ARRIVED HERE ON DECEMBER 17.

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#90355h0118 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
SINGAPORE (DEC. 21) XINHUA - A 24-YEAR-OLD UNIVERSITY STUDENT FROM GHANA HAS BEEN ARRESTED BY SINGAPORE CUSTOMS OFFICERS FOR BRINGING DRUGS INTO SINGAPORE.

HE WAS DETAINED AT THE CHANGI AIRPORT TRANSIT AREA YESTERDAY AFTER NEARLY 3.3 KILOGRAMS OF PURE HEROIN WERE FOUND IN THE FALSE BOTTOM OF HIS SUITCASE.

HE WAS A TRANSIT PASSENGER FROM THAILAND ON HIS WAY TO AMSTERDAM. HE STREET VALUE OF THE CONTRABAND IS ESTIMATED AT THREE MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS (1.76 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

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#90355h0120 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

OTTAWA (DEC. 21) XINHUA - CANADIAN WOMEN HAVE MADE ALMOST NO PROGRESS IN NARROWING THEIR WAGE GAP WITH MEN THROUGHOUT THE 1980S DESPITE THEIR RISING EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE AND STEADY MOVE INTO MALE-DOMINATED PROFESSIONS.

THE FIGURES JUST RELEASED BY STATISTICS CANADA SHOW THAT IN 1989, WOMEN WITH FULL-TIME JOBS EARNED ONLY 65.8 PERCENT OF MEN'S AVERAGE PAY. MALE ANNUAL AVERAGE WAGE WAS 35,073 CANADIAN DOLLARS (ABOUT 30,162 U.S. DOLLARS) WHILE THAT OF WOMEN WAS ONLY 23,091 CANADIAN DOLLARS (ABOUT 19,858 U.S. DOLLARS).

THE GAP WAS ONLY 1.2 PERCENTAGE POINTS NARROWER THAN IN 1980 WHEN FULL-TIME FEMALE EARNING WAS 64.2 PERCENT OF MALE PAY.

"IT PROVES THAT EMPLOYERS ARE DOING ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO CHANGE THEIR DISCRIMINATORY PAY PRACTICES AND WILL DO LITTLE ON THEIR OWN INITIATIVES," SAID PHEBE-JANE POOLE, AN OFFICIAL OF THE NATIONAL ACTION COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN.

SHE EMPHASIZED THE NEED TO STRENGTHEN FEDERAL AND PROVINCIAL PAY EQUITY LEGISLATION AND EXTEND SUCH LAWS TO COVER ALL WORKING WOMEN.

IN RECENT YEARS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND SOME PROVINCES HAVE PASSED LAWS STIPULATING THAT WOMEN BE PAID THE SAME AS MEN WORKING IN JOBS THAT REQUIRE EQUAL SKILLS, RESPONSIBILITY AND EDUCATION.

BUT MANY PROVINCES HAVE PAY EQUITY ONLY IN THE PUBLIC SECTORS. AND EVEN IF THERE ARE EQUITY PAY LAWS, THERE HAVE BEEN NO PENALTIES FOR EMPLOYERS WHO DO NOT COMPLY.

THE STATISTICS CANADA REPORT SAYS THAT NOT ALL THE DIFFERENCE IN WAGES IS DUE TO GENDER. ON AVERAGE, MEN WORK MORE HOURS, HAVE BEEN IN THE LABOR MARKET LONGER AND HAVE HIGHER LEVELS OF EDUCATION.

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#90355h0126 12/21/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 21) XINHUA - INDIA HAS RECEIVED FROM THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAM (WFP) 13 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS FOR ITS PROJECT IN THE WESTERN STATE OF RAJASTHAN, WFP ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY.

THE PROJECT WILL PROVIDE ABOUT 50,000 TONS OF FOOD COMMODITIES FOR LABORERS

BUILDING THE INDIRA GANDHI CANAL AND HELP RAISE MORE THAN 110 MILLION RUPEES (ABOUT 65 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE AREA.

THE INDIRA GANDHI CANAL PROJECT AIMS TO LITERALLY GREEN THE RAJASTHAN DESERT LAND BY DEVELOPING 1.54 MILLION HECTARES OF UNPRODUCTIVE DESERT LAND THROUGH IRRIGATION PROJECTS.

WHEAT, VEGETABLE OIL AND PULSES SUPPLIED BY WFP WILL BE OFFERED TO THE LOWEST-PAID WORKERS ON THE CANAL AS SUBSIDIZED FAMILY FOOD RATIONS OVER A THREE-YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING IN APRIL 1991.

IN THE NEXT PHASE OF THE PROJECT, AN ESTIMATE OF 114 MILLION RUPEES WILL BE GENERATED THROUGH THE SUBSIDIZED SALE OF RATIONS TO WORKERS. PART OF THESE FUNDS WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT POOR FARMERS AND LANDLESS LABORERS WHO HAVE BEEN ALLOTTED PLOTS OF LAND BY THE GOVERNMENT TO BEGIN IRRIGATED FARMING IN THE DESERT AREA.

THESE SETTLERS WILL BE GIVEN INTEREST-FREE LOANS TO PREPARE THEIR LAND FOR CULTIVATION AND WILL RECEIVE FREE FAMILY RATIONS IN THE FIRST TWO YEARS, ACCORDING TO THE ANNOUNCEMENT.

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Nightline (ABC) December 18, 1990 (Transcript #2497)

A Critical Look at Saudi Arabia: Saudi Arabia very slightly met the 20th century with its oil boom in the '70s, but Islam still rules, and religion is politics is tradition, especially for women. Will the U.S. presence precipitate more change?

Crossfire (CNN) December 18, 1990 (Transcript #206)

The Race for College Aid: NAACP Executive Director Benjamin Hooks and George Mason University Professor Walter Williams discuss the Bush administration's recent reversal of its Education Department's ban on race-based scholarships.

Larry King Live (CNN) December 18, 1990 (Transcript #194)

The Controversy Over Kids, Condoms and Schools (Representatives of the Sex Information and Education Council, the National Association for Abstinence Education and author Gene Antonio debate whether contraceptives should be made available in public schools); When Bad Report Cards Lead to Child Abuse (Jeanette Jaworowski and her son Rande Burchette discuss her past pattern of abusive behavior and Dr. Anne Cohn, a child abuse counselor, explains the causes of child abuse and coping techniques).

Inside Corporate America (FNN) December 18, 1990 (Transcript #76)

Home Shopping Network: How does recession affect the Home Shopping Network and what is in their future?

Nova (WGBH) December 18, 1990 (Transcript #1720)

What's Killing the Children?: Brazilian purpuric fever, a horrendous disease of sudden onset and rapid death, is killing children in Sao Paulo State. Epidemiologists from CDC and Brazil track down a new killer strain of Hemophilus egyptiis.

Frontline (PBS) December 18, 1990 (Transcript #908)

The Spirit of Crazy Horse: The story of the Sioux's 100-year battle to regain their sacred lands, the Black Hills of South Dakota, as seen through the eyes of one Lakota man.

Good Morning America (ABC) December 18, 1990 (Transcript #1177)

Salman Rushdie; are bank deposits safe?; Robin Williams; the year in pictures; spaying law; poinsettias by the acre; Ye Olde Booke Shoppe; Patti LaBelle.

Sally Jessy Raphael December 18, 1990 (Transcript #597)

Dates From Hell: Today's guests went on dates that turned out to be the worst nights of their lives, where everything that could possibly go wrong did. A singles expert gives advice on how to avoid having dates from hell.

Donahue December 18, 1990 (Transcript #3101)

Audrey Hepburn (Repeat-#2866): The actress discusses her career and her personal life.

Geraldo December 18, 1990 (Transcript #849)

Passion, Obsession and Violence (Repeat-#627): Women who have been abused by the men in their lives discuss how these men, at first only possessive of them became obsessed and finally violent.

Oprah Winfrey Show December 18, 1990 (Transcript #1112)

Holiday Family Feuds: Denise Lang, author of Family Harmony: Coping With ''Challenging'' Relatives, helps family members try to make peace for the holidays.

Wednesday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Teen Married Couples (R) Sally Jessy Raphael: Zella & Michael & Joan & Butchy (R) Geraldo: Natural Healing or Hoax? Oprah Winfrey: Holiday Reunions for Separated Families

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Nightline (ABC) December 17, 1990 (Transcript #2496)

U.S. Airlines Flying Bumpy Skies: Rising jet fuel prices from the Persian Gulf crisis are causing crises for U.S. airlines, many already struggling with other money woes. What are the options and will we end up with fewer airlines as a result?

Crossfire (CNN) December 17, 1990 (Transcript #205)

Help Wanted in the Gulf: German Economic Minister to the U.S. Hagen Count Lambsdorff and Japanese Deputy Chief of Mission Takuyuki Kimura discuss whether the allies are doing enough to support American efforts in the Persian Gulf.

Larry King Live (CNN) December 17, 1990 (Transcript #193)

The Banking Crisis -- Where Do We Go From Here?: FDIC Chairman William Seidman discusses possible restructuring of the banking industry. Former Sen. William Proxmire and banking analyst Paul Zane Pilzer review causes of and responses to the crisis.

Good Morning America (ABC) December 17, 1990 (Transcript #1176)

Prospects for Gulf talks; adjustable rate mortgages; Francis Ford Coppola; milk questions; environmental classroom; volunteer Santa; holiday business; Glenn Close; James Galway.

The American Experience (WGBH) December 17, 1990 (Transcript #205)

Wildcatter - A Story of Texas Oil: An exciting recounting of the dreamers, drifters and gamblers who dared and still dare to risk their all to find their fortune in oil.

Donahue December 17, 1990 (Transcript #3100)

I Got the Job by Getting Myself Sterilized: Should companies like Johnson Controls be allowed to require fertile women workers handling hazardous materials to get sterilized or lose their jobs?

Geraldo December 17, 1990 (Transcript #848)

Bizarre Bias: Unusual cases of discrimination such as being fat, sexual harassment in the Navy, having Tourette syndrome, having large breasts and a father wanting to be part of a mother's group are discussed.

Sally Jessy Raphael December 17, 1990 (Transcript #596)

Howdy Doody and Kids' TV: Buffalo Bob talks about The Howdy Doody Show, and Howdy joins him to sing some songs. Other pioneers of children's TV programs talk about their shows and how children's TV has changed over the years.

Oprah Winfrey Show December 17, 1990 (Transcript #1111)

People Who Make a Difference: Men and women working to make a difference in the lives of underprivileged chilren tell others what they can do help in this final episode in the ''Year of the Child'' series.

Monday's Line-Up: (To be summarized in tomorrow's Daily Report) Donahue: Audrey Hepburn (R) Sally Jessy Raphael: Dates From Hell Geraldo: Passion, Obsession, Violence (R) Oprah Winfrey: Holiday Family Feuds

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#90355k0050 12/21/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
MANILA (DEC. 21) KYODO - THE PHILIPPINES WILL POST A BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DEFICIT AMOUNTING TO 200 MILLION DOLLARS AT THE END OF THIS YEAR, CENTRAL BANK OFFICIALS SAID FRIDAY.

CENTRAL BANK GOVERNOR JOSE CUISIA JR. SAID THE 200 MILLION DOLLARS DEFICIT IS AN IMPROVEMENT FROM THE EARLIER ESTIMATE OF 500 MILLION DOLLARS.

HE SAID THE NARROWING OF THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DEFICIT IS PARTLY DUE TO THE ANTICIPATED INFLOW OF 321 MILLION DOLLARS BEFORE THE YEAR-END FROM FOREIGN FUNDING INSTITUTIONS.

THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT'S COMMODITY LOAN AMOUNTING TO 227 MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE JULY 16 EARTHQUAKE REHABILITATION AND RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM IS THE BIGGEST ANTICIPATED FOREIGN EXCHANGE LOAN.

PRIOR TO THE STRING OF NATURAL AND MAN-MADE CALAMITIES THAT STRUCK THE PHILIPPINES, THE CENTRAL BANK HAD PROJECTED A BALANCE OF PAYMENTS SURPLUS OF 418 MILLION DOLLARS.

THE PERSIAN GULF CRISIS THAT SENT CRUDE OIL PRICES SKYROCKETING HAS SEVERELY AFFECTED THE ECONOMY AND CONTRIBUTED DRAMATICALLY TO THE TRADE DEFICIT AMOUNTING TO 3.34 BILLION DOLLARS AS OF THE END OF OCTOBER.

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#90355k0051 12/21/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 21) KYODO - THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF JAPAN SAID FRIDAY IT HAS SIGNED AN AGREEMENT WITH VENEZUELA'S PUBLIC IRON DEVELOPMENT COMPANY FOR BUYER CREDITS WORTH 21,737 MILLION YEN.

THE CREDITS WILL BE USED BY C.V.G. FERROMINERA ORINOCO, C.A. TO FINANCE MACHINERY PURCHASES AND SERVICES FROM JAPAN FOR THE COMPANY'S NEW IRON ORE PELLETIZING PROJECT.

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#90355k0056 12/21/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
SEOUL (DEC. 21) KYODO - NORTH KOREA HAS NOTIFIED SOVIET UNION'S NOVOSTI PRESS AGENCY AND KOMSOMOLSKAYA PRAVDA, ORGAN OF THE LENINIST YOUNG COMMUNIST LEAGUE, TO CLOSE THEIR BUREAUS IN PYONGYANG, SOUTH KOREA'S YONHAP NEWS AGENCY REPORTED FRIDAY.

NORTH KOREA DID NOT EXPLAIN THE REASON FOR THE CLOSURE, YONHAP SAID, QUOTING

REPORTS BY NOVOSTI PRESS AGENCY.

THE NORTH KOREAN MEASURE IS BELIEVED TO BE A SIGN OF DISPLEASURE WITH THE VISIT OF SOUTH KOREAN PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO TO THE SOVIET UNION IN MID-DECEMBER.

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#90355k0063 12/21/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 21) KYODO - NIPPON STEEL CORP. (NSC) ON FRIDAY ANNOUNCED THE ACQUISITION OF A 20 PERCENT INTEREST IN THE NEW YORK-BASED UNION TITANIUM SPONGE CORP. (UTSC), FROM JAPAN'S TOHO TITANIUM CO. FOR 700,000 DOLLARS.

UTSC HAS BEEN SET UP BY TOHO TITANIUM AND OTHER JAPANESE FIRMS TO EXTEND FINANCIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL AID TO TITANIUM METAL CORP., A MAJOR U.S. TITANIUM MAKER, IN ITS SPONGE TITANIUM PRODUCTION PROJECT.

NIPPON STEEL IS ACQUIRING A 20 PERCENT STAKE IN UTSC TO CONSOLIDATE THE FOUNDATION FOR ITS TITANIUM UNDERTAKING.

UTSC IS NOW 40 PERCENT OWNED BY TOHO TITANIUM, WITH 20 PERCENT EACH HELD BY NIPPON STEEL AND NIPPON MINING CO., AND 10 PERCENT EACH BY MITSUI AND CO., AND MITSUI AND CO. (USA) INC.

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#90355k0070 12/21/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (DEC. 21) KYODO - SUMITOMO RUBBER INDUSTRIES LTD. ON FRIDAY ANNOUNCED ITS FRENCH SUBSIDIARY, DUNLOP FRANCE S.A., WILL ACQUIRE TRECA S.A., FRANCE'S LARGEST SPRING BED MAKER, FOR 300 MILLION FRANCS SATURDAY.

WITH THE ACQUISITION, DUNLOP FRANCE, WILL BECOME ONE OF THE LARGEST BED MANUFACTURERS IN EUROPE, COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID.

COMBINED ANNUAL SALES OF DUNLOP FRANCE AND TRECA CAME TO 900 MILLION FRANCS IN FISCAL 1990.

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#90355k0088 12/21/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 21) KYODO - THREE MAJOR SHIPPING COMPANIES, TWO JAPANESE AND ONE SINGAPOREAN, HAVE AGREED TO OPERATE A JOINT ASIA-NORTH AMERICA CONTAINER SHIP

SERVICE, NIPPON YUSEN K.K. (NYK), ONE OF THE THREE COMPANIES ANNOUNCED FRIDAY.

THE TWO OTHER PARTNERS ARE NIPPON LINER SYSTEM (NLS) AND NEPTUNE ORIENT LINES (NOL).

THE THREE SHIPPING FIRMS ARE ALREADY OPERATING CONTAINERSHIP SERVICES SEPARATELY ON THE TRANS-PACIFIC ROUTES.

THEY AGREED ON A JOINT SERVICE BASED ON MUTUALLY CHARTERING SHIP SPACE FOR CONTAINER CARGO.

THIS SPACE CHARTER AGREEMENT IS INTENDED TO CUT THE COST, TO USE SHIP SPACE MORE EFFECTIVELY AND TO BRING FREIGHT RATES, TENDING DOWNWARD, BACK TO PREVIOUS LEVELS BY REDUCING THE AVAILABILITY OF SHIP SPACE ON THE ALREADY OVERCROWDED AND OVERCOMPETITIVE TRANS-PACIFIC SHIPPING MARKET, ANALYSTS SAID.

NYK OFFICIALS SAID THE NUMBER OF CONTAINERSHIPS TO BE OPERATED BY THE THREE WILL BE REDUCED FROM THE CURRENT 25 TO 22 BY NEXT DECEMBER.

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#90355k0091 12/21/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

OSAKA (DEC. 21) KYODO - NAMURA SHIPBUILDING CO. ON FRIDAY ANNOUNCED THE CREATION OF A JOINT SHIP REPAIRING AND BUILDING COMPANY IN BANGKOK WITH THAI GOVERNMENT- AND HONG KONG-AFFILIATED SHIPPING FIRMS.

THE OSAKA-BASED MEDIUM-SIZE SHIPBUILDING FIRM SAID THE JOINT COMPANY WILL CONSTRUCT A SHIPYARD IN THE LAEM CHABANG COASTAL INDUSTRIAL ZONE, ABOUT 120 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF BANGKOK.

NAMURA OFFICIALS SAID THAT A DOCK, CAPABLE OF REPAIRING OCEANGOING SHIPS, WILL BE INSTALLED AT THE YARD BY 1993.

THE PROJECT ALSO CALLS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION BY 2000 OF A DOCK, CAPABLE OF REPAIRING UP TO 30,000-TON SHIPS, AND A DOCK CAPABLE OF BUILDING UP TO 15,000-TON SHIPS AT THE SAME YARD.

IN THE PROJECT, A GENERAL MACHINERY PLANT AND A CAN MANUFACTURING PLANT WOULD ALSO BE BUILT.

OFFICIALS SAID THE JOINT FIRM EXPECTS 4 TO 5 BILLION YEN IN SALES FIVE YEARS LATER AND 10 BILLION YEN BY 2000.

NAMURA IN JANUARY MADE A SUCCESSFUL BID TO BUILD A SHIPYARD FOR THE THAI GOVERNMENT.

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#90355m0001 12/21/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 21) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

The Nikkei sheds 405 points. ... The FTSE is flat in London. ... The U.S. dollar continues to move higher against the mark in overnight trading. ... The long bond is little changed with the yield at 8.20%. COMMERCE DEPARTMENT says personal income rose just 0.3% from October to November, all from higher farm subsidies. Wages and salaries were down 0.1%. ... FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO cuts its prime rate to 9.5%. ... MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE says defaults on pooled credit card securities rose 33% between the third quarter of 1989 and this year. ... PRUDENTIAL-BACHE says it will lose $250 million in 1990. ... Former VERNON SAVINGS owner DON DIXON is convicted in Dallas of 23 counts of fraud in connection with an S&L failure that cost taxpayers $1.3 billion.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

The COMMERCE DEPARTMENT says businesses expect to spend $524 billion on capital improvements next year, up just 0.4% from this year's $522 billion. The figures are adjusted for inflation. ... FORD says it will go ahead with the planned merger of its farm and industrial equipment units with FIAT.

FROM THE BULLS:

"Part of the [Dow] comeback was seasonal," says BILL LEFEVRE at ADVEST. "It's a SANTA CLAUSE rally." He adds that interest rates probably will come down further to keep the rally going. ("USA Today", 12/21)

FROM THE BEARS:

"I think we're trying very hard to just stand in one place," says JOSEPH BATTIPAGLIA at GRUNTAL & CO. "The market has no leadership. None of these rallies are broadly based and the fear of Jan. 15 is becoming more and more evident. The fear that fourth-quarter earnings will be lousy and the fear that 1991's first half will be a very disappointing economic story is keeping stocks from going up. If anything, they will probably start to backpedal in the coming weeks." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/20)

STOCK MARKET:

KATHLEEN MILLARD of CHASE MANHATTAN BANK says investors had "understandable jitters" about SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE's resignation, and "the lack of political leadership" that was "clearly demonstrated" by the resignation. She says today's action was a "follow through from European markets overnight," which led to the initial selloff, "and then a bounce back." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/20)

"The fear is that political instability in the U.S.S.R. could cause problems for the world," says PHILIP ROTH of DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. He says that concern may be valid for the European markets, but "I don't think it's that big an issue for the U.S." Roth says he expects a top around 2700 in January, followed by a decline that could go below the October lows. ("Investor's Daily", 12/21)

"The market is more upbeat because the outlook for the economy has improved ever so slightly following the aggressive easing of monetary policy by the FEDERAL RESERVE," says HUGH JOHNSON at FIRST ALBANY. "It just may be the case that what the Fed has done will work. The payoff is that the economy will perhaps stabilize or show some improvement in the first quarter." (NYT, 12/21)

"They keep driving the market down, but it snaps right back," says RICHARD EAKLE, president of EAKLE ASSOCIATES. "Oil is headed south, as are interest rates, and there is a perception that inflation is receding." EDWARD SHOPKORN at MABON NUGENT says a lot of people were "doing a little dressing up" yesterday in their portfolios. (WSJ, 12/21)

"Dollar strength has got to be seen as bullish [for stocks] here because for most of this year foreigners have been pulling money out of the U.S. stock market, much of it to invest in Europe," says MICHAEL METZ at OPPENHEIMER. "Now perhaps we're beginning to see a reversal of the trend." ("The Washington Post", 12/21)

"Traders are generally looking for a little correction on the downside [but] it doesn't seem to be happening," says RON CATALANO at PRESCOTT BALL & TURBEN. "We're at the high end of a trading range and everybody's a little gun shy." (WSJ, 12/21)

STOCK TIPS:

"Many stocks are now dirt cheap," says BERNARD SCHAEFFER at the "Options Advisor." "Extremely favorable interest rate trends will help the market to all-time highs ... [but] short term, we have some resistance that could keep us hemmed in." Short covering is likely to drive CONAGRA higher, says Schaeffer, who suggests buying the March 35 call. He thinks the weakness in DOW JONES must be viewed as a buying opportunity and likes the March 22 1/2 call. (CNBC "World Business", 12/21)

MARCAM CORP. "came public after the invasion, and the stock has done nothing but go up," according to ROBERT HERWICK of HAMBRECHT & QUIST. After an initial offering at 14, the stock has climbed to 24. "I think Marcam has a very good strong product line that has been successful," says ELLIOT PRINCE of NEEDHAM & CO. "The only issue with the stock is valuation." ("Investor's Daily", 12/21)

GOODYEAR is very ripe for a turnaround, says EUGENE PERONI, director of

technical research at JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT. After a nasty 1990 for the stock, Peroni sees support in the 16-17 area with an upside of 21 over the next six to twelve months. GM Class "E" is the old EDS stock, and Peroni says it looks like an interesting technology play with little downside risk. Others in Peroni's top ten: AMERICAN BRANDS, CONAGRA, DOW CHEMICAL, MEDTRONICS MORTON, OREGON STEEL, PFIZER and TENNECO. (CNBC "Market Watch", 12/20)

The PROGRESSIVE CORPORATION, an auto insurance company that specializes in insuring motorists other companies won't touch, is featured in "The New York Times" this morning. The company has grown from 100 employees and $6 million in revenues to $1.3 billion in revenues and 6,000 employees in 25 years. "Progressive does unconventional things in ways that make perfect intellectual sense," says GEORGE PARKER at STANFORD BUSINESS SCHOOL. "Their behavior is consistent with an economist's view of how markets can operate when left to work." The stock was unchanged yesterday at just under 50. (NYT, 12/21)

"It's become clear that demand for APPLE's new product line has remained strong ... and is showing no signs of fading," says MARK STAHLMAN of ALEX. BROWN & SONS, who raised his recommendation to a "strong buy" on the strength of higher projected earnings. "The LC [Apple's new color computer] presents the opportunity for another blowout quarter in March." ("Investor's Daily", 12/21)

OFFICE CLUB stock jumped 4 5/8 to 18 1/2 yesterday on an announcement that the company will be acquired by OFFICE DEPOT INC. in a stock swap. "It's a terrific deal," says THOMAS KULLY at WILLIAM BLAIR. "You've got two companies that are both sharp, an industry with a lot of players and a lot of consolidation." ("USA Today", 12/21)

"SHARPER IMAGE is suffering from the same cycle of weak sales that has affected almost all upscale retailers," says DREW DUSELBOUT at PAINEWEBBER. "If the company can survive until the cycle ends, it should do very well. I think it is definitely on the right track with the cost containment program and the addition of environmental products." (NYT, 12/21)

What stocks does MONTE GORDON of DREYFUS like as he counts down to his year-end retirement? "I still like WAL-MART," he tells "USA Today" in an "exit" interview. "And GE, TOYS R US, PROCTER & GAMBLE are all high quality." ("USA Today", 12/21)

"If you think about the 1980s, the two biggest profit centers were real estate and consumer banking," says CHARLES PEABODY, bank analyst at KIDDER PEABODY. "In real estate, banks went from being profitable to often losing a lot. In consumer banking, they will still earn money, but I think they will earn less." In a recent report, Peabody specifically urges investors to steer clear of CITICORP, CHASE MANHATTAN, BARNETT BANKS and VALLEY NATIONAL of Arizona. (WSJ, 12/21)

"There's a realization that [INTEL] should be able to grow its earnings through a [mild] recession," says ELI SAYEGH of S.G. WARBURG. Intel's new revised 486 chips will enable the company to raise earnings by as much as $1.13 to $3.50 per share. ("Investor's Daily", 12/21)

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#90355m0002 12/21/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 21) MCS - A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"The Soviet risk is the real political risk," says ANNE PARKER MILLS, a currency strategist at SHEARSON LEHMAN BROTHERS. "At some point, the European investor will say, 'I don't care whether I get a lower rate of return on dollar assets, and I don't care if the U.S. is in a recession. I want to increase my holdings in the U.S. because the dollar is the only real safe haven currency.' That move may have begun in earnest." (WSJ, 12/21)

"This [the SHEVARDNADZE resignation] is really the spark that reminds the market that Russia is in very serious trouble," says EZRA ZASK, foreign exchange manager at MELLON BANK. "It took something like this to remind us and it will put a serious dent in the mark's luster for quite a while." DAVID GILMORE at McCARTHY, CRISANTI & MAFFEI notes that the upheaval among the Soviet leadership feeds anxieties that "the whole Eastern Europe thing could be unwound." (WSJ, 12/21)

"One outcome of this whole thing in the Soviet Union is a return to interest in the dollar among foreign investors," says KATHLEEN MILLARD of CHASE MANHATTAN BANK. She believes those investors "will seek a safe currency now." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/20)

"You need much more interest rate relief to help corporate America out," says JOSEPH CARSON of CHEMICAL BANK. Few analysts believe that this one cut in rates can turn the economy around, and they expect further cuts next year. (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/20)

"The Fed eased last December and the banks waited until January" to lower their rates, says JEREMY GLUCK of MITSUBISHI BANK. "It looks like a replay of that probably." ALAN LEVENSON of WEFA GROUP observes: "The Fed has eased every which way they can this month. The banks have to move soon or be viewed as the villains in this recession." ("Investor's Daily", 12/21)

"The hint of anarchy [in the Soviet Union] is very unnerving to the bond market," says DAVID McCLEAN, a trader at CREDIT LYONNAIS SECURITIES USA. ERICK MULLER at CREDIT COMMERCIAL DE FRANCE points out that the Shevardnadze

resignation brought Soviet problems to the forefront and "showed [investors] what a big problem the U.S.S.R can become. (WSJ, 12/21)

"If you want safety, you buy Treasury bills," says JOSEPH LIRO at S.G. WARBURG. "The strong performance in the bill sector [yesterday] was related to [EDUARD] SHEVARDNADZE and the message he conveyed in announcing his resignation" as the Soviet Union's foreign minister. "With the two-year yielding more than 7.20 percent and the federal funds rate at 7 percent and on the way lower, once people come back from the holidays, they will like what they see." (NYT, 12/21)

THE ECONOMY:

"What's in everybody's interest is to make sure this is a mild recession, not a deep recession," says JAMES ANNABLE, chief economist at FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO. Annable's employer was the first bank to lower its prime rate to 9.5%. "What we want to do is encourage spending in the economy," says Annable. "This, in effect, will help soften the recession." ("Nightly Business Report" and CNN "Moneyline", 12/20)

"What concerns me is that, after the recession is over, we're not going to get much of a recovery," says economist LACY HUNT of the HONG KONG BANK GROUP. Typically recessions form a "V" shape with a sharp snapback after the downturn says Hunt: "This time I'm afraid it's going to be more like the letter "L" - you come down and you don't recover." Hunt says the drop in interest rates has been confined to the Treasury and very high-quality bond markets. "We're not getting money into the economy," says Hunt, who is concerned about the negative impact of January's federal tax increase. "It's not a very pretty picture." (CNN "Business Morning", 12/21)

"There is a contradiction here [in the banking industry] that is weakening the economy," says ALBERT WOJNILOWER at FIRST BOSTON CORP. "Bank managers, to raise capital, to keep their jobs, to comply with federal regulations, are engaging in behavior that is destructive to their banks and destructive for the system." (NYT, 12/21)

"The fact that capital spending [next year] will slow, but not actually decrease, is commensurate with the view the recession will be milder than the postwar average," says GORDON RICHARDS, an economist with the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS. MICHAEL EVANS, head of his own forecasting firm agrees that "the recession is going to be very mild and last only two quarters." (NYT, 12/21)

"The fact that planned increases [in capital spending] are in store MARTINI of SANFORD BERNSTEIN. He points out that the fall in the dollar makes U.S. goods more attractive, and "creates an underlying demand for our manufactured products." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/20)

KURT RICHEBAECHER, a German economic consultant, says the downward pressure on the U.S. economy stems from two sources: "an unsustainable, credit-inflated expansion in consumption" and "a depletion of savings and investments which undermines productivity and income growth." He says the second influence "makes a debt and banking crisis a virtual inevitability as collapsing real estate collateral values and mushrooming problem loans force the banks to tighten their lending standards." (NYT, 12/21)

"Wages, actually, were pretty much unchanged," says JOANNE PETERSON of BANKAMERICA. She notes that personal income figures were padded by money from farm subsidies, "which is government spending." (FNN "Marketwrap", 12/20)

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#90355p5521 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Comcast Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: CMCSA, CMCSK) today announced a quarterly cash dividend of $.03 per share on Class A Common Stock, Class A Special Common Stock and Class B Common Stock, according to Brian L. Roberts, president.

Dividend payment will be made on March 28, 1991, to shareholders of record as of March 7.

Comcast Corp. is principally engaged in the development and operation of cable communications systems. The company's consolidated and affiliated operations served more than 2,400,000 subscribers at Sept. 30, 1990. This included 787,000 subscribers associated with systems owned by Storer Communications Inc. for which Comcast provides consulting services. In addition, the company provides cellular telephone communications and sound communications services. The Class A and Class A Special Common Stock are traded in the over-the-counter market and are reported in the National Market List under the NASDAQ symbols CMCSA and CMCSK respectively.

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#90355p5525 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Immunex Corp. (NASDAQ: IMNX) said today that the final 15,000 shares of its preferred stock issued to Eastman Kodak Co. in 1988 have converted to approximately 480,000 shares of Immunex common stock.

Kodak had acquired 20,000 shares of Immunex convertible preferred stock in May 1988. These shares were convertible into Immunex common stock at predetermined prices over a period of five years. The conversion reported today involved a block of 5,000 shares at $30 and a block of 10,000 shares at $32. On June 1, 1990, 5,000 preferred shares converted at a share price of

$18.19. A total of 754,080 new shares of Immunex common stock have been issued as a result of these three conversions.

Immunex Corp. is a pharmaceutical company focused on the research, development manufacture and marketing of products to treat immune system disorders.

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#90355p5526 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Univar Corp. (NYSE, PSE: UVX), North America's largest chemical distributor, today announced results for the third quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990. Sales for the quarter increased to $353,104,000 compared to $348,048,000 for the same period last year, but earnings declined slightly from $5,758,000, or 32 cents per share in the third quarter last year to $4,569,000 or 26 cents per share in the quarter just ended.

According to James W. Bernard, Univar President and Chief Executive Officer, increased operating costs relating to safety, regulatory response, environmental stewardship, and quality programs resulted in the earnings decline.

For the nine months ended Nov. 30, 1990, net earnings were $16,047,000, or 90 cents per share, on sales of $1,077,267,000. For the same period a year ago, net earnings were $16,128,000, or 91 cents per share, on sales of $1,061,597,000.

Univar Corp. distributes chemicals to industry through two subsidiaries: Van Waters & Rogers Ltd. in Canada and Van Waters & Rogers Inc. in the United States.

UNIVAR CORP. & SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited)
(In thousands, except share data)

	Three Months Ended Nov. 30		Nine Months Ended Nov. 30	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Sales	$353,104	$348,048	$1,077,267	$1,061,597
Cost of Sales	302,158	296,747	919,662	909,675
Gross Margin	50,946	51,301	157,605	151,922
Operating Expenses	41,306	38,926	125,491	116,086
Income from Operations	9,640	12,375	32,114	35,836
Interest Expense	(2,659)	(3,245)	(8,052)	(10,125)
Other Income-Net	948	535	3,614	1,494
Income Before Taxes	7,929	9,665	27,676	27,205

Income Taxes	3,360	3,907	11,629	11,077
Net Income	$ 4,569	$ 5,758	$16,047	$16,128
Net Income per Share	$0.26	$0.32	$0.90	$0.91
Weighted Average Number of shares outstanding	17,806,839	17,745,238	17,802,016	17,734,057

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#90355p5530 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREAT NECK, NY (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Gould Investors L.P. (AMEX: GLP) today reported operating results for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for fiscal 1990 rose 31.3 percent to $33,603,000 from $25,594,000 for the prior fiscal year. The net income for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990 was $1,444,000 compared with a net loss of $3,257,000 for fiscal 1989. Results for fiscal 1990 include a gain of $4,494,000 or $4.10 a limited partnership unit from the disposition of properties, mortgages and investments while a gain of $4,183,000 or $3.80 a unit from such dispositions was included in the prior year results.

Gould Investors L.P. is a limited partnership operating in the real estate field.

GOULD INVESTORS L.P. & SUBSIDIARIES (AMEX: GLP)

	Fiscal Year Ended Sept. 30,	
	1990(A)	1989
Revenues	$33,603,000	$25,594,000
Expenses	35,954,000	33,122,000
Operating (loss) bef. minority interest	(2,351,000)	(7,528,000)
Minority interest in (earnings) loss of subsidiaries	(699,000)	88,000
Operating (loss)	(3,050,000)	(7,440,000)
Gain on disposition of properties, mortgages and investments	4,494,000	4,183,000
Net income (loss)	$ 1,444,000	($ 3,257,000)
Earnings (loss) per limited partnership unit:(B)		
Operating (loss)	($4.35)	($7.42)
Gain on disposition of properties, mortgages and investments	4.10	3.80
Net (loss)	($ .25)	($3.62)
Weighted average number of limited partnership units outstanding	1,074,869	1,078,453

(A) -- Includes the operations of One Liberty Properties, Inc. on a

consolidated bases.

(B) -- Earnings per limited partnership unit are based upon the weighted average number of such units outstanding during the respective years, after giving effect to dividends and accretion on the preferred stock of One Liberty which amounted to $1,686,000 in fiscal 1990 and to $717,000 in fiscal 1989.

CONTACT: George Auerbach Public Relations, Inc., 201-944-5544, for Gould Investors L.P.

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#90355p5531 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

WATSONVILLE, CA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Granite Construction Inc.'s (NASDAQ: GCCO) Board of Directors has appointed William G. Dorey and Patrick M. Costanzo senior vice president, the company announced today. The board also named Michael L. Thomas, vice president, Human Resources, and Roxane C. Allbritton, vice president/treasurer. All of the appointments are effective immediately.

Dorey, 46, joined Granite as an estimator trainee in 1968. He has held a number of positions within the company, most recently vice president, division manager for the company's Branch Division, which he continues to manage.

Costanzo, 52, started with Granite in 1970 as a project engineer. He has held numerous positions with the firm, most recently vice president, division manager for Granite's Heavy Construction Division, which he continues to manage. Both men continue to report to David H. Watts, president and chief executive officer.

Thomas, 45, joined Granite in 1987 as the company's first director of Human Resources. Over the last 15 months he assumed additional responsibilities for labor relations, equal employment opportunity, safety and environmental affairs, recruiting and media relations. Thomas continues to report to David Watts.

Allbritton, 38, joined Granite in 1984 as Payroll/Accounts Receivable manager and was promoted to treasurer in April, 1989. She subsequently assumed responsiblity for risk management, bonds and surety and employee benefit administration. Allbritton continues to report to William E. Barton, chief financial officer.

CONTACT: Michael Lawson of Granite Construction, 408-761-4717.

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#90355p5533 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LA JOLLA, CA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - LIDAK Pharmaceuticals (NASDAQ: LDAKU)

reported results for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

For the year, the company reported a net loss of $2,319,231 or 61 cents per share, on revenues of $371,522. For the year ended Sept. 30, 1989, the company reported a net loss of $409,718 or 27 cents per share, on revenues of $4,365.

According to David H. Katz, M.D., chairman and chief executive of LIDAK, the 1990 net loss reflects in part a one-time charge to research and development expenses of approximately $818,000, representing the present value of installment fees payable pursuant to an exclusive 20-year technology license agreement with the Medical Biology Institute (MBI).

Katz said the loss also reflects costs associated with increased administrative as well as research and development activities, including facilities expansion, hiring scientific and administrative personnel and initiating pre-clinical toxicological studies.

LIDAK Pharmaceuticals is a biotechnology company organized to develop and commercialize innovative pharmaceutical products. Incorporated in August 1988 the company completed its initial public offering in May 1990.

LIDAK's initial product and technology focus has been in three areas. The first is Lidakol, the name given by the company to the active organic ingredient of a family of anti-viral and anti-inflammatory compounds developed by LIDAK scientists. LIDAK has been granted a patent for Lidakol covering all medical and veterinary uses. According to Katz, pre-clinical toxicology (safety) studies have been successfully completed, and preliminary studies in human volunteer patients have shown favorable results.

Topical Lidakol-containing preparations are being developed in these major treatment areas: Oral and genital herpes; second- and third-degree burns; and inflammatory skin conditions. The company also is formulating Lidakol for systemic administration for possible use against certain retroviruses.

The second focus is on a technology in which the human immune system has been engineered to function in mice with a genetic defect known as Severe Combined Immunodeficiency (SCID). The technology helps facilitate more rapid drug development and provides LIDAK opportunities for contract and collaborative research agreements, Katz said. The company's initial work with this model has involved diseases of the human immune system, including AIDS.

Katz said the SCID mouse technology also is being applied in development and production of human monoclonal antibodies and in development of new diagnostic and therapeutic products for cancer.

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#90355p5534 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

COEUR D'ALENE, ID (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Hecla Mining Co. (NYSE, PSE: HL) today announced that it has halted discussions with Alta Gold Co., based in Salt Lake City, concerning a possible business combination between the companies. On Oct. 2, Alta Gold announced that the two companies had signed a letter of intent to consider various transactions, such as mergers and joint ventures, which would mutually nbenefit both Hecla and Alta Gold. After Hecla reviewed several alternatives, the companies determined not to proceed further at this time.

Hecla Mining Co., headquartered in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, is a leading domestic producer of newly silver and gold, and is a supplier of premium ball clay, kaolin and specialty aggregates, with subsidiaries in Kentucky, Colorado and Toronto. The company employs more than 900 people throughout North America.

CONTACT: Bill Booth of Hecla Mining Co., 208-769-4100.

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#90355p5535 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - American Express Travel Related Services Company, Inc., today announced that Paula J. Saint-Amour has been promoted to senior vice president - wholesale travel U.S.A.

Saint-Amour is responsible for the outbound marketing, sales and operations of American Express Vacations worldwide, and the inbound marketing, sales and operations of Destination Services USA/Canada and Hawaii. Saint-Amour leads an organization of over 700 employees in locations from New York to Hawaii. Saint-Amour is also responsible for the AARP Travel Experience from American Express, a new travel program designed exclusively for the 33 million members of the American Association of Retired Persons.

Saint-Amour has been with American Express 17 years, most recently as vice president treasury and budget planning & financial analysis -- Travel Services Group New York.

Saint-Amour holds an M.B.A. in international business -- marketing and finance from New York University Graduate School of Business, and a B.A. in Chinese studies from Columbia University.

American Express Vacations is a unit of American Express Travel Related Services Company, Inc., a family of travel, financial, insurance and communications businesses, and a wholly owned subsidiary of the American Express Company (NYSE: AXP).

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#90355p5536 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Zapata Corporation (NYSE: ZOS) announced today that its Board of Directors has voted to extend the tender offers for the company's subordinated debentures until 5 p.m., Dec. 27, 1990, New York City time. No changes were made in the offer price or the minimum percentage required to be tendered. Withdrawal rights are no longer available.

As of 5 p.m., yesterday (Dec. 20), New York City time, the previously scheduled expiration time of the offers, approximately $22.9 million of the 10-1/4 percent debentures due 1997 and $21.9 million of the 10-7/8 percent debentures due 2001, or approximately 57.7 percent of the total outstanding principal amount of $77.6 million, had been tendered. If Zapata does not retire two-thirds of the outstanding subordinated debentures before Dec. 31, 1990, the company will not be able to restructure its senior debt under the agreement reached with its banks in August.

On Dec. 5, the Zapata board voted to offer $520 per $1,000 principal amount for the company's subordinated debentures. It is not possible to further increase the amount offered and still implement the debt restructuring by the Dec. 31, 1990 deadline imposed by Zapata's senior creditors.

If the tender offers are not successful, and Zapata cannot restructure its bank debt, the company will seek protection under the federal bankruptcy laws. It is uncertain what value the debenture holders could obtain in a bankruptcy proceeding, but the company is convinced that debenture holders would receive significantly less than the $520 per $1,000 of principal being offered.

Zapata Corporation is a Houston-based company that produces oil and natural gas, conducts commercial menhaden fishing operations that produce fish meal and edible oil, and manages a fleet of offshore drilling rigs. Zapata is also the largest shareholder in Zapata Gulf Marine Corporation, the world's leading operator of marine service vessels.

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#90355p5537 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

GAITHERSBURG, MD. (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Life Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: LTEK) today announced it has completed the previously announced sale of certain assets of its Molecular Diagnostics business including its human papilloma virus (HPV) product line to Digene Diagnostics, Inc. of Silver Spring, Md.

Life Technologies realized an amount approximately equal to the net book value of the assets sold plus costs associated with the divestiture. Therefore, no effect on fourth quarter earnings is expected.

Digene Diagnostics Inc. develops and markets DNA diagnostic tests for the detection of human viral disease. Digene also develops, manufactures and markets reagents for use in biomedical research laboratories.

Life Technologies develops, manufactures and supplies more than, 2,000 products used primarily in life science research and commercial manufacture of genetically engineered products. The company believes it is a leading supplier of sera, other cell growth media as well as enzymes and other biological products necessary for recombinant DNA procedures.

CONTACT: Joseph C. Stokes, Jr., vice president, 301-840-8000, Casimir P. Eitner, vice president, 301-258-8202, both of Life Technologies, or Robert P. Borchert of Cameron Associates, 212-683-4545, for Life Technologies

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#90355p5543 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - National Media Corp. (NYSE: NM) today announced that it has selected Ernst & Young to serve as its independent public accountants for the company and its subsidiaries.

Ernst & Young replaces the company's previous independent public accountants, Laventhol & Horwath, which recently ceased operations.

According to William H. Campbell, National Media's vice president and secretary, Ernst & Young was chosen after careful consideration of several of the leading national accounting firms.

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#90355p5544 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Commercial Metals Company (NYSE: CMC) today reported net earnings of $3.6 million or 34 cents per share on sales of $287 million for the first quarter ended Nov. 30, 1990. This compares to earnings of $7.0 million or 62 cents per share, on sales of $277 million for the same period last year. Cash flow was $9.7 million for the quarter compared to $12.2 million last year.

CMC president and chief executive officer Stanley A. Rabin said, "Our markets this quarter were weaker because of the sharp decline in the U.S. economy. The manufacturing segment, led by the CMC Steel Group, was the largest contributor to net earnings, but results were down from the prior year period

due to flat steel prices and increased costs coupled with inadequate margins in copper tubing. The copper tube division reported a small loss for the quarter due to the poor housing and construction markets. Despite startup costs of a new overseas operation, earnings for the Marketing and Trading segments were about the same as a year ago.

Net earnings for the Recycling segment were down significantly from the same period last year because of sluggish markets and startup costs at several secondary metal plants. Net earnings were about $145,000 higher (1 cent per share) because of the LIFO effect on inventory valuation."

Concerning the outlook Rabin said, "We expect the slowdown in the construction industrial, and automotive markets in the U.S.A. to continue for several quarters, and we have also seen some slowing in overseas metal markets. Houston continues to lead the recovery in the Southwest. Our focus for increased profitability continues to be on the expansion of our manufacturing base and product line and an even larger presence in recycling. Because of our strong cash flow and balance sheet we are well positioned to take advantage of any new opportunities."

According to Rabin, "The company bought over 255,000 additional shares or about $4.5 million of the company's common stock during the quarter, and we believe that CMC's common stock is significantly undervalued and an excellent investment."

Commercial Metals Company and subsidiaries manufacture, recycle and market steel and metal products, related materials and services through a network of over seventy locations including steel minimills, steel fabrication plants, a copper tube mill, recycling facilities and trading offices in the United States and trading and representative offices in strategic overseas markets.

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#90355p5555 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Texas Instruments Incorporated (NYSE: TXN) today announced it has reached agreement with Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd. on a five-year broad-based semiconductor patent cross-license agreement to replace the five-year agreement that expires at the end of this year.

Beginning in 1991 and continuing throughout the life of the agreement, TI will receive royalty payments from Samsung, which are expected to greatly exceed the amounts received by TI under the agreement expiring at the end of 1990. The new agreement, the terms of which are confidential, is subject to approval by the government of Korea.

The new agreement with Samsung, together with the recently announced agreement

with Toshiba Corporation, reinforces TI's belief that it has the opportunity to earn a significant ongoing stream of royalty revenues from its worldwide patent portfolio. However, as TI has previously reported, high levels of research and development and capital investment, along with lower memory prices and general weakness in the U.S. economy, will put additional pressure on TI's financial results in the near term.

Discussions continue with other companies whose licensing agreements with TI expire at the end of 1990. As previously stated, these negotiations by their nature are not predictable as to outcome or timing. Results from negotiations may vary depending on the parties' relative patent positions, the use by each party of the other's patents, the volume of sales of each party, and other factors.

TI believes that appropriate valuation and compensation for use of a company's intellectual property is essential to global competitiveness because it protects, rewards and encourages investment in research and development. TI's technology has resulted in competitive products and a strong broad-based patent portfolio. The royalties TI has received for use of its patents have helped the company invest more than $2 billion in research and development over the past five years. During this period, TI has received more than 2,000 patents for new technologies.

Texas Instruments Incorporated, headquartered in Dallas, is a high- technology company with sales and manufacturing operations in more than 30 countries. TI develops, manufactures and markets semiconductors, defense electronics systems software productivity tools, computer systems, industrial automation and control systems, electrical controls, metallurgical materials, and consumer electronics products.

CONTACT: Terri West, Texas Instruments Inc., 214/995-3481.

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DEARBORN, MI (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE:CMS) announced today that it has entered into a $500 million credit facility with a bank group led by Union Bank (NASDAQ-NMS: UBNK) and Citibank, N.A.

This facility will be used to consolidate existing non-utility business loan commitments of $280 million and to provide additional funds required to meet CMS Energy's 1991 capital needs, including its non-utility energy-related businesses.

CMS Energy Corporation is a $3 billion (sales) diversified energy company with businesses engaged in the distribution of electricity and natural gas, interstate storage and transmission of natural gas, oil and gas exploration and production, independent power generation and utility services. CMS Energy

Corporation's principal subsidiary is Consumers Power Company, Michigan's largest utility and the nation's fourth- largest combination utility.

CONTACT: Paul E. Knopick of CMS Energy Corporation, 517-788-2396.

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#90355p5560 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONDON (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The following is the text of a letter from David Ogilvy, chairman of WPP Group plc (NASDAQ: WPPGY), which has today been dispatched to shareholders of WPP Group plc:

I am writing to explain recent events relating to our revised 1990 profit expectation and the reasons why the board has decided not to pay the previously proposed 1990 interim dividend.

Until this Autumn, the group's spread of marketing services activities and the strength of its media advertising interests in the packaged goods markets had kept it relatively immune from the general economic downturn. However, in early November we noted a significant shortfall in our most recent results as against our earlier expectation. After detailed analysis we decided to take a more cautious approach to our estimates for the rest of 1990, as the final quarter of our year contributes significantly to our profits. We therefore announced to The Stock Exchange on Nov. 19, 1990 that we believed that our pre-tax profits for the year to Dec. 31, 1990 would be somewhat lower than the general level of brokers' published estimates of around 110 million pounds sterling. In the light of subsequent announcements by other advertising groups and by television networks, we note that the decline in prospects for the last quarter of 1990 appears to be fairly general across the sector.

Whilst it is too soon for us to comment on the group's prospects for 1991, leading analysts and commentators generally expect the adverse conditions experienced in the last months of 1990 to continue for the first half of 1991. It may therefore be some time before the group can resume the pattern of growth in profits and earnings experienced up until a few months ago.

As soon as we had revised our projections for 1990, we approached our banks to discuss our new expectations and to review arrangements for the future should the recently experienced trading conditions continue for the whole of 1991. Whilst there has been no breach of any of our banking covenants, we still feel that it is appropriate to re-examine our covenants in the light of the economic climate.

Since the announcement on Nov. 19, we have also been examining ways in which our current debt structure can be strengthened and made more effective. While revised arrangements are being progressed, we are pleased to confirm that our major banks have reaffirmed their support and commitment to the group. Your board, which is being advised during these discussions by Samuel Montagu & Co.

Limited, is confident that suitable arrangements will be successfully concluded in the near future with the banks, which are being represented by J. P. Morgan & Co. Inc.

In August, 1990 we stated that we proposed to pay a 1990 interim dividend of 13.7p per ordinary share in January, 1991. Given the adverse economic climate we believe we are achieving satisfactory profits, although our cash flow is now below our projections of a few months ago. As a result, a major priority is to conserve cash, and accordingly we have reviewed our previous dividend proposal. We now consider that it would not be in the best interests of the company to pay the interim dividend for 1990 and therefore this dividend will not be paid.

Despite the lowering of previous profit expectations for 1990, we can confirm continuing trends of significant client net new business gains and that the group continues to trade successfully at significant levels of profitability. The group includes some of the world's leading companies in media advertising, public relations, market research, direct marketing and design, with strong and well established institutional brands. We have no reason to doubt our longer term optimism for growth, once trading conditions recover to our experience of just a few months ago.

CONTACT: Martin Sorrell, 011-44-71-408-2204, or Robert Lerwill, 011-44-71-408-2204, both of WPP Group; or Rupert Faure Walker of Samuel Montagu & Co. Limited, 011-44-71-260-9290, for WPP Group.

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#90355p5563 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ASHLAND, KY (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Ashland Oil Inc. (NYSE: ASH) reported today that it expects to report a moderate loss from operations in its fiscal first quarter, primarily due to depressed petroleum refining margins.

John R. Hall, Ashland chairman and chief executive officer, said it will likely report a loss for the fiscal first quarter, ending Dec. 31, 1990. Ashland reported net income of $22 million or 40 cents per share for its fiscal first quarter ended Dec. 31, 1989.

"Refining margins have been depressed and declined throughout the quarter as petroleum markets have tried to adjust to the volatility brought on by the Persian Gulf crisis. In addition, significant maintenance turarounds were performed at the company's Canton and Catlettsburg refineries during the quarter," Hall said.

"Demand for gasoline and heating oil dropped considerably in October and November which adversely impacted refinery margins. Although crude oil prices have declined in recent weeks, they have not fallen as far or fast as product prices."

All of Ashland's other segments expect to report profitable but mixed results, with some units adversely affected by the economy.

In spite of this anticipated first quarter result, Ashland remains cautiously optimistic about the outlook for fiscal 1991. Ashland expects to report its fiscal first quarter results on Jan. 21, 1991.

CONTACT: Bill Hartl, New York, 212-421-1250, or Tom Dalesio, 606-329-3445, both of Ashland Oil.

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#90355p5567 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - CalMat Co. (NYSE: CZM) announced today that its board of directors has elected A. Frederick Gerstell chairman of the board, succeeding William Jenkins who is retiring as chairman. Gerstell, whose appointment will become effective Jan. 1, 1991, will also continue his present responsibilities as president and chief executive officer of the company.

Jenkins will continue to serve as a director and chairman of the Executive and Long Range Planning Committee.

Gerstell, 52, was president of California Portland Cement Co. from 1981 to 1984. Following the 1984 merger of Conrock Co. and California Portland Cement Company to form CalMat Co., he became president and chief operating officer of CalMat. He has been president and chief executive officer of CalMat since 1988. From 1968 to 1975 he was vice president and director of Alpha Portland Cement Co., Easton, Pa.

A 1960 graduate of Princeton University, Gerstell has spent his entire career in the aggregates and cement industries. He serves on the board of the Merchants and Manufacturers Association and is a trustee emeritus of the Lawrenceville School, Lawrenceville, N.J.

Jenkins, 70, was president and chief executive officer of Conrock Co. from 1978 to 1984. At the merger of Conrock Co. and California Portland Cement Company, which formed CalMat Co., he became chairman of the board and chief executive officer of CalMat. A graduate of Drake University, he was hired by Conrock in 1947, and spent his entire career in the concrete and aggregates businesses. He is a past chairman of the National Aggregates Association and a past chairman of the Portland Cement Association.

CalMat Co. is one of the largest U.S. producers of construction aggregates and asphalt, as well as a major land owner in Southern California and Arizona.

CONTACT: Anne Morris of CalMat Company, 213-258-2777

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#90355p5570 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - What's 600 inches long and full of warm wishes for the holiday season? Jacksonville military units deployed in the Persian Gulf will find out when they receive a 50-foot holiday greeting card fax signed by AT&T Universal Card Services Corp.'s 2,000 Jacksonville associates.

The greeting card -- which could be the world's longest continuous fax message ever -- will be sent from Jacksonville on Friday, Dec. 21, to Jacksonville military units deployed in the Persian Gulf. Transmission of the fax, at 12:15 p.m., will kick off AT&T Universal Card Service's Corp.'s first holiday celebration for its associates and their families.

The greeting card will be faxed from the company's new Customer Service Center by an AT&T Universal Card Services Corp. associate whose husband is taking part in the Desert Shield operation. She will be joined by Paul Kahn, president, AT&T Universal Card Services Corp., and Rear Adm. Joseph S. Walker from the Jacksonville Navy Air Station.

Jacksonville units will receive the holiday greeting fax the week of Dec. 24 through AT&T's Desert Fax program. Since September, the program has transmitted 408,880 fax messages to troops in the Persian Gulf from 60 U.S. military bases and 400 AT&T Phone Centers.

"Hearing from loved ones is extremely important to our men and women taking part in the Desert Shield operation," Walker said. "We're proud of the way AT&T Universal Card Services Corp. people are using AT&T technology to tell our troops they're remembered this holiday season."

Walker said there are 8,000 men and women from Jacksonville's three Navy bases deployed in the Persian Gulf.

The company's holiday celebration, from noon to 8 p.m., will provide associates with a luncheon featuring holiday cuisine, entertainment, and activities for their children, including visits with Santa and Mrs. Claus. The event -- themed "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" -- will culminate three weeks of activities that have allowed associates to help others in the true spirit of the holiday season.

"Sending holiday greetings to our troops is the focal point of our holiday activities," Kahn said. "At the same time, associates have found ways to bring cheer to people in Jacksonville who otherwise may not have a happy holiday."

In one activity -- called Project Elves -- associates purchased gifts from

"wish lists" of names of needy Jacksonville children and senior citizens.

In addition to Project Elves, associates have collected food items for the Jacksonville Food Bank and toys for the Dorcas Drake Christmas party.

CONTACT: Bruce Reid, 904-443-8894 (office) or 904-262-0967 (home) or Kelly Williams, 904-443-8896 (office) or 904-398-1084 (home), both of AT&T Universal Card Services Corp.

-30- 3015

#90355p5572 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LINDEN, NJ (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - General Magnaplate Corporation (NASDAQ: GMCC), the pioneer in "synergistic" metallurgical surface enhancement coatings has announced receipt of a federal grant to develop an extremely wear resistant, thermally conductive coating for aluminum. The new coating technology will initially be engineered for application by the Naval Ocean Systems Center in San Diego on aluminum heat exchanger tubes.

The Phase I Award of $50,000 was granted by the Small Business Innovation Research Program (SBIR) arm of the Department of Defense (DOD) for a feasibility study. According to Michael L. Pearce, vice president and director of the Theoretical Research Institute (TRI), General Magnaplate's primary research arm, "successful completion of the study will qualify General Magnaplate to apply for a Phase 2 Award of up to $500,000 to scale-up for the process." General Magnaplate feels confident in its ability to complete the study successfully, according to Pearce.

SBIR's mission is that of "stimulating technical innovation in the private sector and strengthening the role of small business in meeting DOD research and development needs."

Based in Linden, TRI's staff of engineers undertakes contracts and projects on behalf of clients with special problems or needs. These frequently lead to ongoing projects for the parent company's service operations.

General Magnaplate Corporation specializes in the application of high-technology metallurgical coatings which, when applied to metals, provide dry-lubricated surfaces that are both corrosion-resistant and wear resistant.

CONTACT: Candida C. Aversenti of General Magnaplate, 201-862-6200.

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#90355p5573 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Senior Noteholders' Committee and the Subordinated Noteholders' Committee of the Bank of New England Corporation (BNEC) (NYSE: NEB) have reached agreement concerning an exchange offer they

have proposed to BNEC's board of directors for consideration and approval.

If the proposed exchange offer is made and is successful, it would create up to $605 million of new equity capital for BNEC, the bank holding company which owns Bank of New England, N.A. and Connecticut Bank and Trust Company, among others. This will provide BNEC with additional flexibility and financial wherewithal to continue to address its current financial problems.

Under the principal economic terms of the proposed exchange offer, exchanging noteholders would receive 92 percent of the fully diluted equity ownership of BNEC and two newly created senior secured debt issues not requiring cash debt service payments, totaling approximately $100 million in principal amount.

Exchanging senior noteholders, as a class, would receive approximately $40 million of new Series A senior secured debt, approximately $30 million of new Series B junior secured debt, and approximately 44.75 percent of the full diluted equity ownership of BNEC. For each $1,000 of senior notes tendered, at least $225 of Series A senior secured debt and $165 of Series B junior secured debt would be received.

Exchanging subordinated noteholders, as a class, would receive approximately $30 million of new Series B junior secured debt and approximately 47.25 percent of the fully diluted equity ownership of BNEC. For each $1,000 of subordinated notes tendered, at least $60 of Series B junior secured debt will be received.

The committees negotiated an agreement specifically targeted at relieving BNEC from debt service payments so BNEC and its banks can survive and prosper. Pursuant to the conversion of debt to equity under the agreement, the committees believe BNEC and its banks can serve the New England economy, while simultaneously saving the federal government enormous taxpayer sums which would otherwise be spent if the banks were to be closed.

The committees believe their agreement marks an opportunity for a new positive chapter in FDIC - bondholder relations under which banking institutions and the FDIC deposit insurance fund benefit.

The committees have communicated the terms of their agreement to BNEC's board of directors for consideration and approval. There can be no assurance that the terms presented will be acceptable to the board or that an exchange offer on those terms or any other terms will be forthcoming.

The consummation of the proposed exchange would be subject to the satisfaction of a number of conditions, including acceptance of the offer by the holders of at least 90 percent in principal amount of the senior notes and the subordinated notes and at least 90 percent of the shares of BNEC's adjustable rate preferred stock.

CONTACT: Wilbur L. Ross, Jr. of Rothschild Inc., (212) 757-6000, or William Wheeler of Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette, (212) 504-3095, for the committees.

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#90355p5577 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Greater New York Savings Bank (NASDAQ: GRTR) announced today that it expects nonperforming assets will rise to approximately $260 million by Dec. 31, 1990. Nonperforming assets were $145 million at Sept. 30, 1990. Consequently, the Bank expects that it will add approximately $25 to $30 million as a provision for credit losses during the fourth quarter. After estimated chargeoffs during the quarter, the balance in the reserves for credit losses will be approximately $40 to $45 million at Dec. 31, 1990.

As a result of these events, the Bank expects that it will report a loss of approximately $20 to $25 million for the fourth quarter of 1990 and approximately $15 to $20 million for the full year 1990.

In explaining these developments, Charles J. Ohlig, chairman and chief executive officer of The Greater, stated: "The general economic conditions and the commercial real estate market in our lending area have deteriorated at an accelerated pace during the fourth quarter. Accordingly, we have deemed it prudent to increase our reserves for credit losses as of Dec. 31, 1990."

The Greater also announced that it does not expect to declare a dividend on its common stock in January. However, Ohlig stated: "Despite the significant increase in our nonperforming assets, I am hopeful that the Bank will return to profitability sometime during 1991, barring further deterioration in general economic conditions or the commercial real estate environment in our lending area. Additionally, I am confident that our year-end risk-based capital ratio will remain over 10 percent, and that our primary capital ratio will exceed 7 percent. These ratios significantly exceed the FDIC minimums of 7.25 percent and 5.5 percent, respectively."

The Greater New York Savings Bank is an FDIC-insured, New York- chartered stock savings bank with assets of $3.1 billion, deposits of $2.2 billion and total stockholders' equity of $211 million at Sept. 30, 1990. Nine of its 14 banking offices are located in Brooklyn, where The Greater was originally chartered in 1897, and its five other offices are located in Queens, Nassau and Suffolk.

CONTACT: Philip A. Cimino of The Greater New York Savings, 212-613-4063, or Susan Mauriello of Burson-Marsteller, 212-614-4196, for The Greater New York Savings Bank.

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#90355p5578 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SOUTHFIELD, MI (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Lear Seating Corporation has opened a Technical Center at its Rietberg, Germany, headquarters to serve its European seating operations. John C. Wainwright, formerly of Southfield, will be director of Seating Systems Engineering for the 23,000-square-foot facility.

The new Technical Center will have "state-of-the-art" facilities for design and engineering, testing of new seating components, prototype testing service, cut and sew trim development, and a development laboratory for Lear's "SureBond" fabric-to-foam bonding process.

Rietberg facility will have five work stations equipped with CAD systems equipment. More than 81 persons, including engineers, designers, and technicians will be employed at the facility.

Lear, headquartered in Southfield, is the largest independent seating supplier with 32 facilities worldwide and more than 10,500 employees. Sales in its fiscal year ended June 30 were $1,068,000,000.

CONTACT: Tony De Lorenzo of Hill & Knowlton, (313) 644-9150, for Lear Seating Corporation.

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#90355p5579 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Alco Standard Corp. (NYSE: ASN) announced today the acquisition of Omni Business Systems Inc. for an undisclosed amount of cash.

Omni Business Systems, with annualized revenues of $13 million, sells Canon, Ricoh and Sharp copiers and facsimile equipment from five branches in Melbourne, Fort Pierce, Fort Myers, Sarasota and Boca Raton, Fla. The company will remain at its present locations under the leadership of Eugene E. Boyd, its president and founder.

Omni will become one of 32 operating companies within Alco Office Products, the largest network of independent copier and office equipment dealers in North America and the only independent distribution network with national scope.

Alco Standard Corp., headquartered in Valley Forge, is a publicly owned distribution and services company. For its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, revenues were $4.3 billion.

CONTACT: David B. Kirkland of Alco Standard, 215-296-8000, or at home, 215-542-9025

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#90355p5581 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CONN. (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - FAG Finance Corporation announced today that its previously announced tender offer for all shares of common stock of The Barden Corporation (NASDAQ: BARD) had expired at 6:00 p.m., New York City time, on Thursday, Dec. 20, 1990. FAG Finance Corporation is a corporation formed by FAG Bearings Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of FAG Kugelfischer Georg Schaefer KGaA.

On Dec. 20, 1990, the Federal Trade Commission notified FAG Finance and Barden that it had terminated the waiting period under the Hart- Scott-Rodino Act.

FAG Finance stated that it had been advised by The First National Bank of Boston, the depositary for the offer, that 1,266,253 shares of common stock were validly tendered by physical delivery of certificates, all of which have been accepted for payment by FAG Finance Corporation, and 45,979 shares of common stock have been tendered by notices of guaranteed delivery. When added to the 612,593 shares subject to an option to purchase such shares from certain Barden shareholders, FAG Finance has purchased or has the right to purchase substantially all of the shares of common stock of Barden.

CONTACT: Ruth Pachman or Roanne Kulakoff of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655, for FAG Finance

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#90355p5585 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - NCNB (NYSE: NCB) becomes the flagship sponsor for all Atlantic Coast Conference basketball games televised by Raycom/JP Sports, beginning January 5, 1991. Additionally, NCNB will be the flagship sponsor for all Raycom telecasts of Southwest Conference football, beginning in fall 1991.

A contract announced today by NCNB and Raycom also makes NCNB a sponsor on the telecast of the first Blockbuster Bowl on December 28 between Penn State and Florida State in Miami.

"This is a terrific package of advertising opportunities for NCNB, connecting our name with the premiere sports events of the areas where we operate," said Brad C. Iversen, NCNB's director of corporate marketing.

"The ACC and SWC telecasts are high-impact programs that appeal to well-educated, successful people. These are people who are looking for a dynamic financial institution like NCNB," Iversen said.

For many years, NCNB sponsored ACC basketball telecasts, but has not had a commercial on those programs since the end of the 1987 season.

"NCNB is happy to resume its association with the ACC and eager to begin a relationship with the SWC," Iversen said. "We will sponsor the entire television schedule for both leagues."

NCNB's ACC sponsorship begins with the Saturday, January 5 double header featuring Duke at Virginia followed by Clemson at Maryland. It continues through January, February and early March, culminating with the ACC tournament telecasts March 8-10.

NCNB gets four, 30-second commercial spots during each ACC game televised by Raycom/JP Sports. The same arrangement is available to NCNB for the Southwest Conference football telecasts on the Raycom Sports Network.

NCNB also will sponsor the "ACC Player of the Game." Each time a player of the game is chosen, NCNB will donate $1,000 to the ACC General Scholarship Fund for distribution through a conference-approved plan.

Other features of the contract include NCNB's sponsorship of a "Basic Basketball" feature during ACC pre-game shows as well as commercial spots on a "History of the ACC Tournament" syndicated special produced by Raycom for airing between March 3 and March 9, 1991.

NCNB will sponsor the starting lineups for the Southwest conference telecasts.

NCNB Corporation is a Charlotte-based holding company with more than $69 billion in assets and full-service banks in seven states.

CONTACT: Ellison Clary, NCNB Corporation, 704-374-8633.

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#90355p5587 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - GW Utilities Limited (AMEX: GWT), Toronto, today announced it has agreed to the terms of the proposed "going private" transaction by GWU Holdings Limited, Toronto, whereby the public holders of the remaining equity interest in GW would receive Cdn. $30 per common share in cash after payment of the $10 per share special dividend which was previously declared payable on Jan. 17, 1991 to shareholders of record on Jan. 10, 1991 (the "special dividend"). Closing of the "going private" transaction is conditional upon completion of the previously announced spin-off by Interhome Energy Inc. to its shareholders of its oil and gas subsidiary, Home Oil Company Limited.

The spin-off has been approved in principle by the board of directors of Interhome and completion is subject to requisite shareholder and regulatory approvals including receipt of a favorable tax ruling.

A special meeting of GW shareholders is expected to be held in March 1991 to

consider the "going private" transaction. The transaction is subject to approval by a majority of the votes cast by the minority shareholders of GW. Completion of the transaction will also be conditional upon receipt of any necessary regulatory approvals and the absence of any material change in the business, affairs or prospects of GW or any of its investments.

A special committee of directors (the "special committee") consisting of Stanley M.D. Beck, Marshall A. Cohen, Edward H. Crawford, David S.R. Leighton, Peter C. Maurice, John L. Stoik and Donald H. Thain, advised by independent counsel, considered the terms of the transaction and reviewed a valuation opinion prepared by ScotiaMcLeod Inc. The $30 per share price is above the midpoint of the valuation range after taking into account the special dividend. The special committee also received a fairness opinion from Nesbitt Thomson Deacon Inc. that the terms of the "going private" transaction, including the $30.00 per common share to be received by the minority shareholders of GW (together with the special dividend) are fair and reasonable from a financial point of view to the minority shareholders of GW.

GWU Holdings is beneficially owned by members of the Reichmann family and beneficially owns 89.33 per cent of the issued and outstanding common shares of GW.

CONTACT: Frank Ternan of GW Utilities Limited 416-862-5324.

-30- 2592

#90355p5591 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

GREENWICH, CT (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Pittston Company (NYSE: PCO) announced today the signing of separate ten year supply agreements for low sulphur coal with two subsidiary companies of American Electric Power Company, Inc. (NYSE: AEP). AEP is the largest consumer of steam coal in the United States.

The first agreement is with the Appalachian Power Company for its Clinch River Va. plant and replaces a contract due to expire Dec. 31, 1992. The contract calls for minimum tonnage of 1,000,000 tons annually for a ten year and three month period commencing Oct. 1, 1991.

The second agreement, which is with Ohio Power Company for its John E. Amos, W.Va. plant, starts at a minimum annual rate of 240,000 tons, steadily increasing to nearly 1,000,000 tons for the sixth through the tenth year of the contract. The agreement is retroactive to Nov. 1, 1990.

Paul W. Douglas, chairman and chief executive officer, said he is "pleased that Pittston is expanding its long-standing relationship with AEP and that we are playing a significant role in that portion of its long-term fuel supply strategy related to low sulphur coal."

He noted further that "Pittston expects to deliver a total of some 20,000,000 tons of coal during the term of these two contracts and that both contracts reflect adequate base prices for a long-term low sulphur coal supply and also provide appropriate escalation provisions for future cost increases."

Douglas also said that "Pittston now has 92 percent of its currently planned steam coal production under contract, an important factor in the present period of depressed spot steam coal prices and that Pittston has adequate reserves to expand its low sulphur coal production significantly should market conditions so warrant."

He also said that "low sulphur coal pricing should improve as utilities begin to adopt cost efficient strategies to meet the new stringent pollution standards contained in the recently enacted clean air legislation which encourages the use of low sulphur coal."

The Pittston Company is a diversified firm engaged in mining and marketing of bituminous coal through the Pittston Coal Group, Inc. and Pyxis Resources Company, air freight services through Burlington Air Express Inc., security transportation through Brink's, Incorporated, and home security services through Brink's Home Security, Inc.

CONTACT: William J. Byrne, Jr., of Pittston, (203) 863-1274.

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#90355p5592 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Publisher William O. Taylor announced today that The Boston Globe will reduce its workforce by 100 full-time positions over the next five years, with all of the reductions scheduled to come through attrition. The 100 positions amount to almost 5 percent of the Globe's full-time staff. The Globe employs about 2,075 full-time and 500 part-time staff.

"We are experiencing the same economic forces affecting other companies," said Taylor. "Advertising is down significantly this year, and the outlook is cautious at best. We think this is the least painful way to address the need to be as cost-effective as we can for the future."

Many other newspapers and media companies in Massachusetts and New England have already gone through extensive cost-cutting procedures, including layoffs. This is the first time the Globe has implemented such a program to reduce staff.

The attrition program is another important step in an overall cost-cutting effort at the Globe, which began with budget cuts in the spring of 1988. It has also included reductions in department expenditures and reductions in hours of some part-time staff.

The Globe is a subsidiary of Affiliated Publications, Inc.

CONTACT: Richard P. Gulla of The Boston Globe, 617-929-3288.

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#90355p5593 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

KALAMAZOO, MI (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Stryker Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: STRY) announced today that Osteonics Corp., a Stryker subsidiary, received notification from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that it may commercially release for sale in the United States the Omnifit-HA (TM) Total Hip with hydroxylapatite (HA) surface treatment. Osteonics is the first company to commercially release an HA total hip implant in the United States.

THe Omnifit-HA Total Hip has been in clinical use in Europe for four years and in regulated clinical studies within the United States for over two years. This implant has demonstrated excellent clinical performance.

Stryker Corporation develops, manufactures and markets specialty surgical and medical products including orthopaedic implants, powered surgical instruments, endoscopic systems and patient handling equipment for the world market.

CONTACT: David J. Simpson, vice president, CFO and secretary of Stryker, 616-385-2600.

-30- 1159

#90355p5594 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Allwaste, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALWS) announced today a change in the senior management of the company. R.L. Nelson Jr., will assume the office of president in addition to his responsibility as chairman and CEO.

This change in structure has come as a result of Clayton K. Trier relinquishing his positions of president, co-CEO and a director of Allwaste. Trier has informed the company that he intends to establish a consulting practice to assist companies in acquisitions, financings and turnaround situations.

Nelson stated, "For the last four years, Clayton has been a driving force in developing and implementing Allwaste's growth strategy. His financial acumen, negotiating skills and commitment have been major contributors to Allwaste's success."

I.T. "Tex" Corley, who joined the company in April 1990 as executive vice president and chief financial officer, will assume responsibility for the company's acquisition program.

Allwaste has entered into a consulting arrangement with Trier and he will continue to assist the company in acquisitions and other important projects including the planned divestiture of the company's Asbestos Abatement Division.

Nelson further commented, "The 1990's will be a decade of exceptional growth for the environmental services industry. Our strong management team as well as our balance sheet and cash flow will allow Allwaste to aggressively pursue available internal growth and acquisition opportunities."

Allwaste, Inc. is a Houston-based environmental services company with over 90 operating locations throughout the United States and Canada.

CONTACT: R.L. Nelson Jr. of Allwaste, (713) 623-8777.

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#90355p5595 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Loyola Capital Corp. (NASDAQ: LOYC), the holding company for Loyola Federal Savings and Loan Association, announced today that fourth quarter net income is expected to be lower than fourth quarter 1989 due to a higher provision for future loan losses at the thrift.

The thrift institution, Maryland's second largest, said that fourth quarter net income is expected to be between $1.1 million and $1.4 million as compared with $2.6 million earned during the fourth quarter of 1989 and $2.5 million for the third quarter of 1990. Net income for 1990 is expected to be between $8.6 million and $9 million. Earnings per share are expected to be between $.24 and $.31 for the quarter.

Joseph W. Mosmiller, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We have elected to add approximately $6.4 million during the fourth quarter to our allowance to loan losses, up from $1.7 million last year. Although we have not experienced any significant change in our level of non-performing loans, our action does reflect the economic slowdown in the mid-Atlantic region and our decision to implement a more- conservative methodology for reserving against possible future losses in our loan portfolio." The fourth quarter provision will increase the allowance for loan losses to $17 million, which will approximate .80 percent of average assets.

Mosmiller also said that Loyola will report a non-recurring gain on the sale of investment securities of $3 million during the fourth quarter, which partially offsets the effect on net income of the higher loan loss provision.

Loyola's decision to increase its allowance for loan losses did not result from regulatory examinations. Loyola Federal Savings and Loan has already undergone examinations by both the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and the Office of Thrift Supervision this year. Mosmiller stressed that no additions to the allowance for loan losses were required as a result of those

examinations.

Loyola Capital Corp., headquartered in Baltimore, is the holding company for Loyola Federal Savings and Loan Association. Loyola's 32 retail branches are located throughout the state of Maryland and in the Washington metropolitan area. With more than a century's experience in retail services and mortgage lending, Loyola has diversified through subsidiaries into real estate appraisal, auto and boat financing, insurance and real estate development.

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LUMBERTON, NC (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Southern National Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: SNAT) today named Sherry Kellett controller and promoted the Greensboro native to the company's Senior Management Group. Ms. Kellett, a certified public accountant who joined Southern National in 1984 as assistant controller, replaces retiring Bonnor Hudson, who is stepping down at the end of the year after 18 years as head of the controller's group.

"Sherry is an extremely bright, hard worker who will do a very good job for us " said Chairman Glenn Orr. "She understands our organization and the direction it's moving. Her input will be valuable as we progress forward."

Ms. Kellett joins the company's senior group as executive vice president of Southern National Bank of North Carolina and as vice president of the corporation.

"The management team that has been assembled is well-rounded and extremely competent and I see the opportunity of working with them as challenging and exciting," said Ms. Kellett, 46. "I had a very good teacher in Bonnor (Hudson). He has made sure through the years that I have been exposed to nearly every aspect of the job."

Ms. Kellett received her bachelor's degree in chemistry in 1966 from Duke University where she graduated magna cum laude and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, an academic fraternity. She worked as a process and industrial engineer until 1973 when she opted for a career change.

She enrolled in the accounting program at UNC-Charlotte and then joined in 1975 the accounting firm of Arthur Andersen & Co. She worked her way to Audit Manager before joining Southern National in 1984 as an assistant vice president.

Ms. Kellett is a former board member and treasurer of the Southeastern Family Violence Center in Lumberton and has served since 1973 as treasurer of the

Mecklenburg County Humane Society in Charlotte. She is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and currently serves as a member of the state Budget and Finance Committee of the North Carolina Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Ms. Kellett, a 1962 graduate of Grimsley Senior High School, is the daughter of Harry and Jane Kellett of Greensboro.

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BREA, CA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Beckman Instruments, Inc. (NYSE: BEC) and Hi Chem Diagnostics, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Elan Corporation, plc (AMEX: ELN) today announced that they have reached a settlement of the litigation, Beckman Instruments, Inc. vs. Hi Chem Diagnostics, Inc. et al., which has been pending in U.S. District Court in the Central District of California for almost two years.

Although the specific terms of the settlement agreement are confidential, the parties want to assure their customers and the general public that the agreement permits both parties to continue their present business operations and to continue marketing their present product lines without further litigation.

Elan is a leader in the specialized health care field of advanced reformulation and drug delivery, concentrating on improved drug absorption and utilization. Elan operates research and manufacturing facilities in Athlone, Ireland; Gainesville, Ga.; Enschede, Netherlands; Manila, Philippines; Brea, Calif., and Cambridge, Mass.

Beckman Instruments, Inc., develops, manufactures and markets automated systems and supplies used for biological analysis in laboratories for research quality control, and clinical diagnostics. The company has 7,100 employees in 36 facilities throughout the world and operates in more than 120 countries.

CONTACT: Arnold Grant of Beckman Instruments, (714) 773-6922, or (714) 961-4260; or Thomas Redington, (203) 222-7399, or (212) 926-1733, for Beckman.

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#90355p5604 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Scientific-Atlanta Inc. (NYSE: SFA) announced the appointment of Kent J. Malinowski to director, broadcast radio & data systems for its Private Networks Business Division based in Melbourne, Fla.

He reports to Alan Freece, vice president of marketing and sales for the division.

In his new position, Malinowski is responsible for managing sales, marketing, customer service and product planning activities for broadcast radio & data systems, which includes both analog and digital markets as well as the data distribution market.

He joined Scientific-Atlanta in 1986 as a sales manager, marketing satellite data and video networks to a variety of industries.

Before joining Scientific-Atlanta he was general manager for the satellite division of Learfield Communications. He has also been a radio and television journalist for CBS Radio and KOMU-TV in Columbus, Mo. He is a 1981 graduate of the University of Missouri, where he earned a bachelor of journalism.

Scientific-Atlanta Inc. is a leader in cable television electronics and satellite-based communications networks and is a key supplier of electronic instrumentation for industrial, telecommunications and government applications.

CONTACT: David N. Scott of Scientific-Atlanta, 404-441-4618.

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#90355p5605 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Fort Worth division of General Dynamics (NYSE: GD) announced today a major reorganization of its executive staff to emphasize five business groups considered vital to the division's future.

Three of the groups are major aircraft programs - A-12, F-16 and the Advanced Tactical Fighter. A number of related electronic products will be combined in a military electronics business group. In addition, a number of special projects and other separate business elements will be combined into a business group designated Special Programs and Other Business.

Each of the groups will be headed by a division vice president reporting directly to the division general manager and having expanded authority and responsibility.

Dr. Ted S. Webb, a recently retired General Dynamics executive, returns to serve as division vice president and program director for the A-12 program. Dain M. Hancock continues as division vice president and F-16 program director. D. Randall Kent continues as division vice president and ATF program director.

John E. Vick, formerly division vice president for electronic products, becomes division vice president for military electronics. Charles A. Anderson,

former division general manager, who has been serving as A-12 program director is being removed and reassigned as division vice president for special programs and other business.

These executive changes are effective immediately and will be followed by other realignments within the division to focus resources on these key business areas.

General Dynamics President Herbert F. Rogers, who also currently serves as general manager of the Fort Worth division, characterized the changes as necessary to ensure the competitiveness of the company in the future.

"The financial success of the company and the satisfaction of our customers depend on our ability to make quick and correct business decisions in a rapidly changing environment," Rogers said. "After very careful deliberation we have concluded that the way to do that is to concentrate authority and resources in the hands of executives in charge of the individual business groups - and then hold them directly responsible for the results."

CONTACT: Mike Hatfield of General Dynamics, (817) 777-4976.

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#90355p5612 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEWTON, MA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Health and Rehabilitation Properties Trust (NYSE: HRP) announced that its registration statement previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the the public sale of 2 million shares by a shareholder was declared effective earlier today. The sale is being underwritten by a syndicate led by Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp., 140 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10005, as sole managing underwriter.

The issuance and subsequent sale of these shares was done as part of a transaction in which HRP will acquire or mortgage finance 21 nursing facilities containing 3,165 beds for total consideration of 3 million HRP shares plus $38.5 million. The facilities are located in Wisconsin (nine facilities with 1,392 beds), California (eight facilities with 1,018 beds), Colorado (two facilities with 445 beds), Illinois (one facility with 230 beds) and Oregon (one facility with 80 beds).

The proceeds of this purchase leaseback, mortgage financing and stock sale will be used to fund, directly or indirectly and in part, the acquisition by a newly formed affiliate of HostMasters, Inc., Pasadena, Calif. ("HMI") of 100 percent of the stock of American Medical Services, Inc. ("AMS"), an indirect subsidiary of TW Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: TWFS) of Spartanburg, S.C. AMS is headquartered in Milwaukee, Wis., and currently operates 31 health care facilities and three institutional pharmacies. HMI currently operates eight health care facilities in Californa and Arizona. At the conclusion of the

stock acquisition of AMS, HMI and its affiliates combined will operate 39 nursing facilities with an aggregate of 5,376 beds and three institutional pharmacies.

The 21 facilities to be owned or mortgaged by HRP will be operated by AMS Properties, Inc., a 100-percent subsidiary of AMS, the sole business of which will be the operation of these facilities. Minimum rent and minimum interest will be established at Closing by a formula based upon the yield of U.S. Treasury obligations and are expected to be an aggregate of $9.4 million during the first year of the lease and mortgage. Additional rent and additional interest will be payable to HRP commencing in 1992 based upon increases in net patient revenues at the leased and mortgaged facilities. In addition HRP has agreed to provide up to $3 million of improvements financing for the leased facilities, and AMS has agreed to fund approximately $1 million - $2 million of additional improvements from its own resources to these facilities. As HRP funds improvements, the rent payable to HRP will be increased.

One million of the 3 million HRP shares being delivered as part of the purchase price will be pledged to secure all lease and mortgage obligations due HRP. Two million of the HRP shares being delivered as part of the purchase price for the AMS facilities will be publicly offered for sale by AMS pursuant to the registration statement which was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission ealier today. HRP is not selling any shares in this offering and will not receive any of the proceeds of this offering. The shares are being offered by AMS as a selling shareholder.

A Registration Statement relating to the securities referenced above has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in Washington, D.C., and has been declared effective. These securities may not have been sold nor may offers to buy have been accepted prior to the time the Registration Statement became effective. This news release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any State in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration of qualification under the securities laws of any such State. Copies of the Prospectus describing these securities may be obtained from any office of the Managing Underwriter named above.

CONTACT: Mark J. Finkelstein, president, or David J. Hegarty, treasurer, both of Health & Rehabilitation Properties Trust, 617-332-3990.

-30- 4363

#90355p5616 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALLEGAN, MI (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Rockwell International Corp.'s Automotive Operations today sold for a nominal price one of three buildings -- a 260,000-square-foot facility -- to the Allegan Industrial Redevelopment Corp., a non-profit organization promoting economic growth in the Allegan area. The

building has been vacant since late 1988.

The company will continue to assemble heavy-duty truck drivelines in the remaining two buildings on the Allegan property. The 47 Allegan employees are unaffected by the sale of the building.

Richard C. Quaid, president of Rockwell's Off-Highway Products and Driveline Division, said the sale of the building is in keeping with the company's strategy to divest itself of unneeded assets. "We are very pleased to demonstrate our commitment to the Allegan community by selling the building to the Allegan Industrial Redevelopment Corp. for a nominal price," he added.

The Allegan Industrial Redevelopment Corp. plans to create an "incubator complex" by dividing the building and renting space at low cost to small manufacturers, according to Robert Van Duren, director of the new non-profit organization promoting Allegan's economic growth.

"The idea is to allow smaller companies to get started at minimum cost," said Van Duren. "When a business is just starting up, it usually doesn't have much money to put into buildings. We hope this building's acquisition will create jobs, stimulate entrepreneurship, and allow us to lease part of the building as general warehouse space."

In late 1988, Rockwell consolidated its driveline manufacturing operations into a facility at Fairfield, Iowa, keeping an assembly operation in Allegan.

Rockwell's Off-Highway Products and Driveline Division supplies a complete lineup of drivetrain components, including a wide range of axles -- rigid, planetary and tandem drive; brakes -- wet and dry disc, wedge, cam, hydraulic and mechanical drum brakes; drivelines and related componentry; powershift transmissions; transfer cases; friction materials; and other specialty and off-highway components on a worldwide basis.

Rockwell International (NYSE: ROK) is a $12 billion, multi-industry company applying advanced technology to a wide range of products in its electronics, aerospace, automotive and graphics businesses.

CONTACT: Mike Pennington of Rockwell International, 313-435-1933.

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#90355p5617 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - O'Brien Energy Europe Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of O'Brien Energy Systems (AMEX: OBS), a leading energy project developer, today announced it has received a letter of intention from the Electricity Supply Board of Dublin, Ireland, to purchase all the electricity generated over a 15-year period at O'Brien Europe's new power plant being developed on the Dublin County Council's Dunsink landfill, one of

the largest landfill sites in Ireland.

"The project is one of several O'Brien is developing in Europe based on the company's successful alternative fuel and cogeneration projects in the U.S.," said Bruce Levy, O'Brien Energy vice president. "Alternative fuel projects represent our continued commitment to reducing the risks associated with fluctuating fuel costs. It is especially appropriate considering the current uncertainties in the Middle East," added Levy.

CONTACT: Hal LeVay of Porter, LeVay & Rose, 212-564-4700, for O'Brien Energy.

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#90355p5621 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOLLYWOOD, FL (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - HEICO Corporation (AMEX: HEI) announced that its board of directors declared a semi-annual dividend of $.05 per share to shareholders of record on Jan. 7, 1991, payable on Jan. 31, 1991.

In addition, the company reported that Laurans A. Mendelson, principal director and chief executive officer of HEICO, has been elected chairman of its eight member board of directors. Previously, Mendelson served as co-chairman of the board with Dr. Alan Schriesheim, who will continue to serve on the HEICO board.

The company also announced that its annual meeting will be held at 10 a.m. at its offices, 3000 Taft St., Hollywood, Fla. on March 19, 1991. Shareholders of record at the close of business on Feb. 4, 1991 will be entitled to vote at the meeting.

HEICO Corporation, a Florida corporation, is an aerospace industry holding company composed of two subsidiaries; Jet Avion Corporation -- a Hollywood, Fla. producer of jet aircraft engine parts, principally combustion chambers and replacement parts for Pratt & Whitney JT8D and JT3D engines, and LPI Corporation -- a Fort Lauderdale, Fla. manufacturer of aviation and defense component parts for original equipment manufacturers and the military.

CONTACT: Thomas S. Irwin, senior vice president, treasurer and acting president of HEICO Corporation, 305-987-6101

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#90355p5622 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - National Data Corp. (NASDAQ: NDTA) today announced earnings of 19 cents per share for its second quarter ended Nov. 30, up slightly over its first quarter earnings per share of 18 cents.

L.C. Whitney, chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The company's cost control programs more than offset a decline in revenue resulting from a weaker

economy and sluggish retail sales."

The company reported revenue of $56.4 million for the second quarter vs. $61.6 million for the first quarter.

Compared to the second quarter of the prior year, overall revenue is down from $69.4 million, and earnings per share are 19 cents compared to 50 cents last year. However, Whitney pointed out, "Revenue of our core businesses -- electronic payments, corporate financial services and healthcare -- is up 13 percent."

Revenue for the six-month period is $118 million, down from $144.8 million the previous year. Earnings per share are 37 cents compared to $1.05 for the same period of the prior year. The expiration of the US Sprint contract in the third quarter of the prior year affected these year-to-year comparisons.

National Data Corp. provides business solutions requiring timely access to critical information to the retail, healthcare, financial and communications markets worldwide.

CONTACT: Donald J. Blankers of National Data Corp., 404-728-2529.

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#90355p5624 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOULDER, CO (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Synergen Inc. (NASDAQ: SYGN) announced today that it has formed a company sponsored research and development partnership to continue clinical testing and development of interleukin-1 receptor antagonist (IL-1ra). IL-1ra is currently in human clinical trials for treatment of rheumatoid arthritis and sepsis and septic shock and will also be tested as a therapeutic for other diseases.

The partnership is expected to raise approximately $50 million. The partnership, which will own certain rights to IL-1ra, will pay Synergen for clinical testing and further development of IL-1ra. Synergen will have the right to reacquire the rights to IL-1ra in the future.

Synergen will retain sole rights to develop and market IL-1ra in Japan and other markets outside the United States, Canada, and Europe. For the U.S., Canada, and Europe, Synergen will have the right to market IL-1ra on its own or under co-promotion, license or joint venture arrangements with other companies subject to the partnership's right to receive a portion of future product revenues.

Partners in the partnership will receive warrants to purchase approximately 2,500,000 shares of Synergen common stock. The exercise price per share will be 25 percent above the average market price of the common stock for a specified period preceding the funding of the partnership.

After Feb. 29, 1996, the exercise price will be raised $3 per share. The warrants will expire on Feb. 28, 1998. Synergen expects the partnership to be funded during the first quarter of 1991.

Synergen is a biotechnology company developing products to treat inflammatory diseases, chronic skin ulcers and neurological disorders, using recombinant DNA technology and the latest advances in molecular and cellular biology.

CONTACT: Kenneth J. Collins of Synergen Inc., (303) 938-6222.

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#90355p5632 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

TUSTIN, CA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Silicon Systems Inc., a Tustin-based semiconducter company, has filed a lawsuit in Federal District Court in Los Angeles for patent infringement against Exar Corp., a San Jose, Calif.-based chip company. The suit charges that Exar copied the patented circuitry of Silicon Systems' SSI 32 D532 data recovery product, and that Exar willfully infringed two Silicon Systems' patents, U.S. Patent Numbers 4,803,445 and 4,800,340.

The patented Silicon Systems' inventions supply the data recovery function in hard disk drives, an application which provides a major source of revenue for the niche-oriented company, whose line of storage products ICs dominate hard disk drive electronics.

In its lawsuit, Silicon Systems seeks a permanent injunction against Exar from sale or distribution of Exar's XR 532 and any other Exar products that incorporate the inventions of the infringed patents, as well as unspecified monetary damages.

Silicon Systems, a TDK group company, specializes in the design and manufacture of application-specific mixed-signal ICs (MSICs (TM)) used primarily in storage products, communications and automotive electronics.

CONTACT: Martin Jurick, senior VP, or Mark Jorgensen of Silicon Systems Inc., 714-731-7110

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#90355p5634 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROOKLYN, NY (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Supreme Equipment and Systems Corp. (NASDAQ: SEQP), a producer of filing cabinets and storage systems, should continue to reduce operating deficits in the remaining quarters of fiscal 1991 and is in a position to return to profitability next fiscal year should revenues stabilize at the current levels, and the company be successful in consummating the pending sale of one of its two Brooklyn, N.Y. factories,"

Martin Frederick, president, told shareholders at the annual meeting today. Frederick noted that, "We consolidated all production and administration this past year in our 240,000 square foot factory in Brooklyn, N.Y. All of this was done in anticipation of the sale of our second Brooklyn manufacturing facility now empty, on which a buyer defaulted and surrendered his escrow deposit. A new buyer is now in the process of completing his financing, and should this be successful it will materially improve our balance sheet and reduce overhead costs."

Frederick told shareholders that, "The deficit for the first quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 was reduced by almost half to $314,000, and on an operating basis by 80 percent to $75,000, with the month of October being marginally profitable. Included in the first quarter deficit are certain nonrecurring costs related to idle plant expense."

Shareholding voting in person or by proxy re-elected management's three nominees as members of the board of directors. Re-elected were Martin Frederick, president and chief executive officer of Supreme Equipment, Allan S. Fox, Supreme's chairman of the board and executive vice president-finance and administration; and Sidney M. Spielvogel, vice president, Jessup, Josephtal & Co., Inc. members of the New York Stock Exchange.

Shareholders also ratified the appointment of Anchin, Block & Anchin as the company's Independent Certified Public Accountants for the fiscal year to end July, 31, 1991.

CONTACT: Allan S. Fox, chairman of the board of Supreme Equipment and Systems 718-965-0100.

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#90355p5637 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

OLD GREENWICH, CT (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Publicker Industries Inc. (NYSE: PUL) today announced that the United States, at the request of the administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, commenced an action in the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, against Publicker and two other parties.

The action relates to a former Publicker facility in Philadelphia where the EPA has allegedly spent more than $22 million in cleanup activities under the auspices of the federal Super Fund Act. Publicker has previously reported the ongoing cleanup work at the facility which it sold in 1986.

The EPA has previously indicated that it has identified 85 other people in addition to the three named defendants who are potentially responsible for cleanup costs.

The complaint seeks recovery from the three defendants of amounts already

spent at the facility, including interest and enforcement costs, a declaratory judgment that the three defendants are liable for any further clean-up costs, and other relief deemed appropriate, including injunctive relief preventing Publicker from disposing of its assets or exchanging its assets in a manner that will prevent or hinder the United States from collecting on any money judgment it might obtain.

Publicker and its attorneys are reviewing the complaint. The company expects to defend its interests vigorously. If the company is ultimately determined to be liable for any significant portion of the amounts sought by the United States, it could have a material adverse effect on the company's financial condition.

CONTACT: James J. Weis of Publicker, (203) 637-4500, or Peter Rosenthal of Howard J. Rubenstein Associates, (212) 489-6900, for Publicker.

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#90355p5638 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - APA Optics, Inc. (NASDAQ: APAT) today announced the first sale of its new product (being developed at present), the "Interferometer for Aspheric Testing," or IAT(TM), to a Fortune 500 company. The purchase totalled $165,000 and includes the IAT plus several accessories. The unit will be delivered in July of 1991. The IAT uses Computer Generated Holograms (CGH) as test references. APA Optics routinely supplies these testing references through its CGH Foundry Services.

The IAT development was first announced by the company at the annual meeting of the shareholders in July of 1990. In September, the company presented the product at SPIE's Optical Engineering Midwest conference in Chicago. The company believes that the new device is the first commercially available interferometer in the industry especially designed for the testing of aspheric optical elements.

The company anticipates that all prospective IAT buyers will purchase several CGHs per year, thereby increasing CGH-based revenues for the company.

APA Optics, Inc. is a high-technology company engaged in the design and fabrication of precision optics systems, holographic optics and innovative optoelectronic devices.

CONTACT: James Garrison of APA Optics, 612-784-4995

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#90355p5644 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

OTTAWA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - SHL Systemhouse Inc. (NASDAQ: SHKIF; TSE, ME: SHK) of Ottawa, Canada announced today that Robert Kearney has named a

director of the company. Kearney is currently executive vice president-finance and administration for Bell Canada of Montreal and, on Jan. 1, 1991, becomes group vice president, Telecommunications Services for BCE Inc., also of Montreal.

Kearney replaces Brian Hewat, chairman of BCE Mobile Communications, on the SHL Systemhouse Inc. board.

CONTACT: Roderick M. Bryden, chairman and CEO of SHL Systemhouse, 613-238-6648.

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#90355p5645 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Cahners Exposition Group announced today the formation of INFO MIS, a trade show and conference committed to the MIS professional. The event will be co-located with the IMAGING '91 Show & Conference, Oct. 1 to Oct. 3 at the Javits Convention Center in New York.

"We are recommitting our INFO trade show and conference to emphasize the needs of the MIS professionals who are once again becoming the key buyers of computer products," said Neil Perlman, president of Cahners Exposition Group (CEG), producers of the event.

INFO has traditionally drawn more than 40,000 CIOs, MIS and DP professionals as well as "corporate buying teams" from companies such as Chemical Bank, Johnson & Johnson, Nabisco Brands, Pan American World Airways, and Schering Plough.

Perlman explains that this event will use resources from the entire Cahners family, including Cahners/Ziff Publishing Associates, Cahners Economics, the Business Research Group, and Cahners Exposition Group.

INFO MIS will be located with the second annual IMAGING Show and Conference. IMAGING '90, which was held in mid-October, drew over 8,000 MIS and DP managers who met with exhibitors including IBM, Wang Information Systems, Eastman Kodak, Minolta, and Sigma Imaging Systems who were extremely pleased with the quality and quantity of the attendees.

For more information on INFO MIS or IMAGING '91 contact: Amy Riemer, public relations manager, Cahners Exposition Group, 999 Summer St., Stamford, Conn. 06905, 203-352-8292.

CONTACT: Amy Riemer of Cahners Exposition Group, 203-352-8292

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#90355p5646 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - LTV Missiles and Electronics Group announced today that its Missiles Division received $210.6 million of funding for the Multiple Launch Rocket System (MLRS) program from the U.S. Army Missile Command.

The increment, for fiscal year 1991, will fund 44 MLRS improved launchers, 4,000 rockets and training equipment. It is part of a $942 million, five-year contract awarded in July 1989.

Employees at the divisions Camden, Ark., manufacturing facility will perform 97 percent of the work while the remaining three percent will be completed at LTV's Dallas facility.

MLRS is a highly mobile, automatic rocket artillery system that permits a crew of three to accurately shoot two tons of anti-personal/anti-materiel grenades.

The system is being deployed at division and corps levels throughout the U.S. Army and National Guard. Many of those units are now deployed in Operation Desert Shield.

The Missiles Division manufactures missiles, rockets and space systems and is involved in a wide variety of advanced technology research and applications. It is one of three divisions of LTV Missiles and Electronics Group which also produces electronics, avionics and military vehicles.

CONTACT: Mike Drake of LTV Missiles and Electronics Group, 214-266-1801.

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#90355p5647 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVING, TX (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Exxon Corporation (NYSE: XON) announced today that it is inaugurating its first service stations in Eastern Europe this month. Two stations are on an autobahn northwest of Berlin, and a third is in Budapest, Hungary.

Because of their unique location the two German stations, Wolflake West and Wolflake East, were constructed in a record-setting 10 weeks. Both stations are built on the site of a former East German military airstrip which was incorporated directly into the autobahn system. The existing concrete taxiways and ramps were used as foundations for the stations, thereby reducing construction time significantly. The Berlin stations are the first of a number planned for that city.

A third station being opened in December is in the 19th district of Budapest. Next year, it is expected that two more outlets will be opened in Budapest through Exxon's joint venture there.

All three units use state-of-the-art service station technology including the

latest environmental protection systems to guard against water, air and noise pollution. The stations have vapor recovery systems, used oil disposal systems, car wash water sludge containment, oil/water separators, spill protection systems and double-walled steel underground tanks to prevent leakage.

The stations also incorporate the Esso Shop or Convenience Store concept which has become popular in the United States and other parts of the world over the last few years. By offering one-stop shopping, motorists can purchase a wide variety of articles -- from hot and cold snacks to newspapers and magazines -- in addition to the traditional service station offerings. The new self-service stations also include an automatic car wash and vacuum systems and offer motorists the ease and convenience of quick-change lube service and safety performance checks.

Exxon's operations in Central Europe are managed by an integrated affiliate, Esso Central Europe, composed of Esso A.G. (Germany), Esso Switzerland and Esso Austria, A.G.

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#90355p5648 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Lufthansa German Airlines filed an application with the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) on Dec. 20, for a one-year extension of traffic rights to fly from Charlotte, N.C., to Frankfurt.

The German national carrier began offering three flights per week from the Carolina gateway to Germany on Aug. 1, under the DOT's "Program for Expanding International Air Service Opportunities to More U.S. Cities." The authority to operate these flights expires on Jan. 27, 1991, however, and Lufthansa must receive approval from the DOT to continue service.

In its application, Lufthansa states that public interest strongly supports a continuation of the Charlotte flights. Even though Lufthansa has only been flying to the region for a very short time, the Carolinas' economies have already begun to profit from the service. Lufthansa is the only airline providing convenient, non-stop flights between the Carolinas and Germany for international business persons; the only non-stop container service to continental Europe for Carolina manufacturers; and easy access to the Carolinas' tourist attractions and facilities for German leisure travelers.

"Despite the short lead time to introduce the flight, and a slow-down in the airline industry, we are very pleased with the success of the Charlotte flights so far," commented Uwe Hinrichs, vice president, USA South, for Lufthansa. "We believe in the economic future of the Carolinas, and we are confident that the Department of Transportation will encourage us to continue

flying to Charlotte."

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#90355p5650 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - UtiliCorp United (NYSE: UCU) today announced that its Michigan Gas Utilities division has filed a request with the Michigan Public Service Commission to increase natural gas rates by $7.8 million, or 6.5 percent annually.

Michigan Gas Utilities President James G. Miller said the increase is needed to offset increased operating costs due to inflation and the cost of construction of additional pipeline and storage capacity. These construction projects enable Michigan Gas Utilities to buy natural gas at lower costs.

Miller noted that Michigan Gas Utilities also has requested approval for increases in collection fees and service line extension fees.

Michigan Gas Utilities last requested a rate increase in 1984. Customers now pay prices that are lower than any time since 1981. The average annual bill of a residential customer using 120,000 cubic feet of natural gas would increase by $45.74.

Michigan Gas Utilities serves about 122,600 customers in 50 cities and villages and 85 townships in southern and western Michigan. The division is headquartered in Monroe, Mich.

Based in Kansas City, UtiliCorp provides gas and electric service to 820,000 customers in eight states and the province of British Columbia. The company also is engaged in various non-regulated energy and utility related enterprises.

CONTACT: Roger Dick, 816-421-6600, for Utilicorp; or Wanda Fish, 313-242-5213 for Michigan Gas Utilities

-30- 1641

#90355p5655 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

STATEN ISLAND, NY (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Colonial Capital Corporation (CICC) today announced that on Dec. 20, 1990 the merger of Mercado Marketing Corporation into CICC was effected. As a result of this merger the name of Mercado Marketing Corporation will be maintained.

Mercado Marketing Corporation, located in Hollywood, Fla. is a recently formed medical device marketing firm which is introducing a new condom product to Spanish communities in the United States and Puerto Rico,

Mercado Marketing management believes that they meet the NASDAQ requirements and therefore will be making application in the very near future.

Mercado Marketing Corporation offices are located at 2455 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood, Fla., 33020.

CONTACT: Miriam Mercado, chief executive, or Guido T. Volante, vice president of Mercado, 305-921-7554.

-30- 1010

#90355p5658 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - It didn't carry a partridge in a pear tree, but today just three days before Santa Claus takes off on his annual Christmas Eve mission, the McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) MD-11 long range trijet was awarded an official speed record for a flight from the North Pole.

The award was presented to James Fearn, manager of flight test of Douglas Aircraft Co., builders of the big trijet by William A. Schoneberger, president of the Aero Club of Southern California, and Vi Rigby, National Aeronautic Association director.

The MD-11 covered the 3,962 miles (6,376 km) from the North Pole to Yuma, Ariz., in seven hours and 45 minutes, for an average speed of 511.23 miles per hours (822.7 kph).

Record awards also were made for nonstop flights between Dallas, Texas, and Seoul, Korea, and between Seoul and London, England, which averaged 459.68 mph (739.8 kph) and 411.98 mph (663 kph) respectively against strong headwinds.

All three flights were made between Oct. 22 and Oct. 25 as part of a round-the-world trip that covered 22,290 miles (35,870 km) in a total of 43 hours and 13 minutes of flying time.

Said Fearn of the records, which are now sanctioned by the U.S. National Aeronautic Association and the Federation Aeronautique Internationale: "It took us several days of flying to accomplish a world flight that Santa Claus and the reindeer can do in one night.

However, we've calculated that if Santa used an MD-11 combi to go to Yuma, it could make the Christmas Eve mission a lot easier and more comfortable for them.

"We could take on board Santa, his sleigh, all nine reindeer, including Rudolph, all of the gifts from the 12 days of Christmas, and still have enough room for two one-pound presents for all 50,000 men, women and children in Yuma.

Not only that, but all the passengers would be riding in air conditioned comfort, have hot meal service, state-of-the-art entertainment, and be in direct telephone contact with Mrs. Claus and the elves," Fearn said.

CONTACT: Elayne P. Bendel of Douglas Aircraft Company, (213) 593-2492.

-30- 2313

#90355p5663 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - JPS Textile Group, Inc. announced today that it has commenced a solicitation for votes to accept a plan of reorganization to restructure the company's debt and preferred stock to reduce interest and dividend rates. All members of a bondholder steering committee together with certain other large institutional bondholders (holding 62.3 percent in aggregate outstanding face amount of old debt securities) intend to vote in favor of the plan of reorganization, subject to their review of the final documentation concerning the transactions contemplated by the plan. The solicitation and the terms of the proposed plan are the result of several months of discussions and negotiations with the bondholder committee and its advisers.

The restructuring will be effected through a voluntary "prepackaged" Chapter 11 filing which JPS hopes to complete within 60 to 90 days after the court filing. The plan involves debt and preferred stock issued by the parent company, JPS Textile Group,Inc., and will not adversely affect JPS's operating subsidiaries (JPS Carpet Corp., JPS Automotive Products Corp., JPS Elastomerics Corp. and JPS Converter and Industrial Corp.) or their relationships with employees, customers or suppliers. The subsidiaries will not be filing for Chapter 11 and will continue to operate as before.

The solicitation for votes to accept the plan of reorganization is scheduled to expire at 5 p.m., New York City time, on Jan. 31, 1991. The disclosure statement, plan documents and related materials will be available early next week.

The aggregate common equity issued to bondholders will represent 49 percent of the common equity of the company. In addition, certain existing JPS stockholders will contribute $7.5 million of new capital to the company in consideration of 51 percent of the common equity of the company.

The company has received a commitment from its bank group, led by Citibank, N.A., to amend its existing credit facility to allow for the restructuring and related transactions. Under such commitment, the bank group will also maintain its existing lines of credit for JPS's operating subsidiaries thus providing them with ample liquidity.

The financial advisor to the bondholder steering committee is Houlihan Lokey Howard & Zukin Capital, and JPS Textile is being advised by Donaldson Lufkin

Jenrette Securities Corporation. Due to certain federal securities law requirements, the company's and the committee's advisers will not solicit debt holders for their consents with respect to the plan.

JPS Textile Group, Inc. was formed in May 1988 upon the purchase from J.P. Stevens & Co. Inc. of five Stevens operating divisions.

CONTACT: Maureen Burgess or James N. Fingeroth of Kekst and Company, 212-593-2655.

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#90355p5665 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MARIETTA, GA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Healthdyne Inc. (NASDAQ: HDYN) announced today that it expects to receive clearance from the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to market the company's System 37(R) Uterine Contraction Activity Monitor for the purpose of monitoring the progress of labor, as diagnosed by a physician, in both preterm and term labor patients.

This use will relate to an obstetrical patient who has experienced an episode of labor in the current pregnancy beyond the 24th week of gestation. The System 37(R) monitor, which was developed by Healthdyne and is used exclusively by its Perinatal Services Division, had previously been cleared by the FDA for marketing only in connection with the treatment of term pregnancies and has been utilized on a limited basis on preterm patients under an Investigational Device Exemption or "IDE."

Healthdyne is a national provider of high technology home care medical services, including infusion therapy through HNS, its partially owned subsidiary, and home obstetrical care through Healthdyne Perinatal Services, and a manufacturer of high tech home care products through its Healthdyne Technologies Division.

CONTACT: Donald R. Millard of Healthdyne, 404-423-4500.

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#90355p5667 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Numac Oil & Gas Ltd. today announced that on Dec. 20, 1990 it acquired 59,356 common shares of Giant Reef Petroleums Limited pursuant to the compulsory acquisition provisions of the Business Corporations Act (Alberta), and, as a result, it now holds all of the issued and outstanding common shares of Giant Reef. Numac intends to amalgamate with Giant Reef effective Jan. 1, 1991.

CONTACT: Dale J. Hohm, VP and Treasurer of Numac Oil & Gas Ltd., 403-423-1718.

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#90355p5668 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Ailes Communications, Inc. (ACI), of New York and Washington, D.C., today announced that the company will increase its strategic communications activity for corporations. Roger E. Ailes, former media adviser to Presidents Bush and Reagan and communications consultant to a number of Fortune 500 CEOs, is responding to requests by corporations for a different type of consultant: skilled in both corporate and political communications.

According to Ailes, "Corporations and political candidates face the same general challenges -- saturation news coverage and strong opposition forces. In difficult times, corporations need to hone their messages and get a better return on reduced advertising and public relations dollars. Our company's strength is providing positive results in that kind of atmosphere."

The company also announced that Ailes will now serve as chairman and chief executive officer of ACI and that Raymond H. Kraftson has become president and chief operating officer. Kraftson has been associated with Ailes since 1972 and has been a director of ACI since 1979. Prior to becoming President of ACI Kraftson was, for ten years, vice president, general counsel and a director of Safeguard Scientifics, Inc., a NYSE technology firm. He also serves on the boards of a number of other corporations and institutions.

According to Kraftson, "Until now, most of ACI's political and corporate clients came to us unsolicited -- that's going to change. We have proven time and again that through the creative use of media we can successfully move public opinion and we intend to aggressively market that skill."

This was reinforced by the promotion of Jon Kraushar to president of ACI's Corporate Communications Group. Kraushar, a former award-winning journalist, television writer-producer and public relations executive, joined ACI in 1982 as vice president, business communications and was made a senior vice president of ACI in 1985. He has worked on a wide range of domestic and international corporate strategic consulting engagements, involving crisis management, communications training, public relations, advertising and marketing. Kraushar collaborated with Ailes on the book "You Are the Message " selected as one of the year's best books by The Wall Street Journal and now in its sixth printing.

ACI also announced that it has agreed with Business Week to become a sponsor of the magazine's International Corporate Restructuring Conference in London on Jan. 28 and 29, 1991. Ailes will be a keynote speaker at the conference and he indicated that his remarks would focus on how corporations undergoing restructuring face many of the same challenges that political campaigns face -- addressing the needs of specific audiences (e.g. suppliers, customers, lenders, security holders). Ailes said that "Clarity and excellence in communications are the key to meeting these challenges."

CONTACT: Scott Ehrlich of Ailes Communications, Inc., 212-685-8400.

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#90355p5669 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRIDGEPORT, CT (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - First Connecticut Small Business Investment Company, a federally licensed SBIC, today reported a realized loss of $845,308 for the six months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

The company, which filed for Chapter 11 protection under federal bankruptcy code on Aug. 15, 1990, said it also added $5,437,291 to reserves.

FIRST CONNECTICUT SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANY OPERATING RESULTS
(Unaudited)

Six months ended Sept. 30	1990		1989	
	Actual	Per Share	Actual	Per Share
Total investment income	$2,088,506	--	$3,267,460	--
Net investment income	45,746	$.04	1,211,221	$1.06(A)
Net realized gain/(loss) on investments	(891,054)	(.76)	17,975	.02(A)
Net realized income/(loss)	(845,308)	(.72)	1,229,196	1.08(A)
Increase/(decrease) in unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) on investments	(5,437,291)	(4.64)	(186,989)	(.16)(A)
Net realized income/(loss) and change in unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) on investments	(6,282,599)	(5.36)	1,042,207	.92(A)
Net asset value	4,082,481	3.48	11,414,972	9.89
Shares outstanding	1,173,082		1,153,088	

(A) - Weighted average

CONTACT: Penny Cleary of First Connecticut Small Business Investment, (203) 366-4726.

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#90355p5671 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Enron Oil & Gas Company (EOG) (NYSE: EOG) announced today that it is indefinitely postponing its plans to offer 4,100,000 primary shares of common stock.

"The proposed offering was the last part of our original plan to sell 20 percent of EOG stock to the public," said Forrest E. Hoglund, chairman and CEO. "Since we announced the offering in mid November, stock prices for EOG

and the industry have declined to a point that is below the value we place on EOG shares.

"We continue to believe that natural gas demand will increase significantly over time due to increased electrical generation demand, favorable environmental legislation and our nation's effort to reduce foreign oil dependency. As this occurs, natural gas stocks will increase in value, and we will then reevaluate our decision to offer additional shares."

EOG is currently an 84 percent owned subsidiary of Enron Corp. On Nov. 13, 1990, EOG announced a public offering of 4,100,000 primary shares of common stock, which would have had the effect of reducing Enron Corp.'s ownership percentage to 80 percent. The lead underwriters of the offering were Goldman, Sachs & Co.; Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corporation; The First Boston Corporation; Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated; and Prudential-Bache Capital Funding.

EOG is one of the largest independent (non-integrated) oil and gas companies in the United States in terms of domestic proved reserves. The company's reserve base is 91 percent domestic and 91 percent natural gas.

CONTACT: Diane Bazelides of Enron Oil & Gas Company, 713-853-6285.

-30- 1822

#90355p5677 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - SFFed Corp. (NASDAQ: SFFD), the holding company for San Francisco Federal Savings and Loan Association, today announced the sale of substantially all of its home equity line loan portfolio to Beneficial Mortgage Co. of California, a subsidiary of Beneficial Corp., headquartered in Wilmington, Del. While terms of the transaction were not announced, SFFed Corp. indicated that as a result of the sale, it will record a one-time pre-tax gain of approximately $5.5 million.

Roger L. Gordon, president and chief executive officer of SFFed Corp., said, "The portfolio sale is the last of several transactions entered into during 1990 to restructure our balance sheet to ensure that the company will continue to exceed all regulatory capital requirements. We will continue to offer home equity lines of credit in our Northern California marketplace."

In an unrelated development, the company announced today that it will increase its specific and general reserves for possible losses by approximately $19 million in the fourth quarter which will result in a loss for the quarter. The increase consists of $6.4 million in specific reserves, primarily on certain commercial real estate loans and a real estate development project, with the balance of the increase set aside for general reserves. The company expects its general reserves to be $18 million as a result of this action.

"It makes sound sense to increase reserves in today's economic and regulatory environment. We continuously balance priorities to focus on earnings, capital strength and asset quality. With today's economic conditions we deemed an increase in reserves to be consistent with our traditionally conservative credit policies," Gordon said.

At Nov. 30 the association's ratio of non-performing assets to total assets was 1.48 percent and foreclosed real estate was $7.3 million. At the same time loans delinquent more than 60 days were 1.73 percent. The additional loss reserves will result in total loss reserves at Dec. 31 equal to approximately 40 percent of the Nov. 30 level of non-performing assets and equal to approximately 0.62 percent of the November level of total loans.

Despite this one-time charge, Gordon emphasized, the company's capital levels will exceed all higher regulatory requirements scheduled to take effect Dec. 31, 1990. "We are confident that our capital levels will enable us to weather changing economic conditions and we are optimistic that we will experience a return to profitability in the following quarter with results in line with analysts' expectations."

CONTACT: Paul Weinberg, 415-955-5814; or Marilu Rumolo-Boucher, 415-955-3083; both of SFFed Corp.

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#90355p5679 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Southeast Banking Corporation (NYSE: STB) today declared dividends on the company's Series A adjustable rate preferred stock and the company's 8.75 percent Series E cumulative preferred stock.

The dividend on Series A is $.975 per share, and on the Series E, $2.1875 per share. Both are payable on Dec. 31, 1990 to shareholders of record Dec. 28, 1990. As in the prior quarter, the board of directors did not declare a dividend on the company's common shares.

Southeast Banking Corporation is the parent company of Southeast Bank, N.A. Southeast Bank N.A. has total assets of $14.6 billion and total deposits of $11.7 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990. Southeast provides financial services from more than 230 locations throughout Florida.

Other Southeast businesses include: First National in Palm Beach, a division of Southeast Bank, N.A., providing full commercial, private banking and trust services; Southeast Bank Leasing Company, with commercial leasing and financing services; Southeast Bank Brokerage Service, Inc., providing discount brokerage services; Southeast Credit Insurance Company, which reinsures credit insurance policies on loans made by Southeast Bank; and Southeast Mortgage Company with a commercial mortgage loan servicing portfolio of $2.6 billion.

CONTACT: Ida L. Roberts, (305) 375-7278 (media) or Donae Ceja, (305) 375-7981 (analysts), both of Southeast Banking Corporation.

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#90355p5684 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange announced today that trading has commenced in the common shares of The Exploration Company of Louisiana, Inc. of Lafayette, La.

Trading under ticker symbol XCL, the common stock opened on 1,000 shares at 2. The company, which also trades on the International Stock Exchange in London, previously traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol XCOL. XCL is an oil and gas exploration and production holding company whose subsidiaries primarily operate in the Gulf Coast area of Louisiana and Texas.

The company identifies and drills exploration prospects and purchases producing and exploration properties along the Louisiana and Texas Gulf Coast. XCL has interests in both on and offshore oil and gas properties in Louisiana, and other properties in Texas, Arkansas, Alabama and Mississippi.

The company also markets and transports natural gas in the United States, through its 45 percent-owned affiliate, XCL Sunrise, Inc., a Dallas, based company whose shares are also listed on the International Stock Exchange in London.

XCL currently owns working interests in 78 oil and 49 gas wells primarily in Louisiana and Texas, and has royalty interests in over 150 oil and gas wells through the company's approximate ten percent ownership in a non-affiliated land company.

The company reported unaudited net income of $1,192,000, or $.01 per share, on revenues of $10,655,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $1,065,000, or $.01 per share, on revenues of $6,563,000 for the comparable period in 1989.

Contact: Lisa Kravitz of The American Stock Exchange, (212) 306-1632.

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#90355p5685 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Hurco Companies, Inc. (NASDAQ: HURC) issued senior notes in the amount of $12,500,000 to an institutional investor on Dec. 20, 1990. The notes are payable in seven equal annual installments beginning on Dec. 1, 1994, and bear interest at the rate of 10.37 percent per annum, payable semi-annually.

The proceeds will be used to finance the construction of the company's new facility in Indianapolis, the stock repurchase program announced on Sept. 14, 1990, and to reduce outstanding bank borrowings. The new building will consolidate all Indianapolis leased facilities, and will house the company's corporate headquarters and the Indianapolis manufacturing operations.

Hurco Companies, Inc. is one of the largest United States-based manufacturers of computer numerical control systems for machine tools. The company is based in Indianapolis and has additional manufacturing facilities in Detroit and High Wycombe, England. Its products are sold through 120 independent agents and distributors in the United States and 26 other countries. The company also has direct sales forces in the United States, the United Kingdom and West Germany.

CONTACT: Michael K. Campbell, senior vice president and chief financial officer of Hurco Companies, Inc., 317-293-5309.

-30- 1491

#90355p5687 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DETROIT (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - "Wow" was the word reverberating through the automotive world when the first Taurus and Sable vehicles appeared in dealership showrooms on Dec. 26, 1985. The breakaway shape of the all-new cars took the industry by storm and put the word "aerodynamic" into the average motorist's everyday vocabulary.

As they approach their fifth birthday, the Taurus and Sable have been called a "marketing dream," meeting the seating requirements, trunk capacity and fuel-economy demands of middle-market buyers, while fulfilling the prestige, styling and comfort expectations of mid- specialty and large-car prospects.

In the five years since their debut, the cars have received dozens of awards, including Motor Trend's "Car of the Year" award for the Taurus in 1986. The Industrial Designers Society of America recently named Taurus its automotive "Design of the Decade."

"Taurus' design leadership is matched only by its sales success and outstanding value," said Thomas J. Wagner, Ford Motor Company vice president and Ford Division general manager.

Taurus and Sable have undergone more than 300 changes in the past five years to improve on their initial design and popularity. More than 2 million Taurus and Sable models have been sold in the past five years -- in fact, the total number of sales was 2,171,814 through Dec. 10, 1990.

CONTACT: Carolyn Brown of Ford Division, 313-446-7736.

-30- 1596

#90355p5689 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BROWNSVILLE, TX (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Ruben Edelstein, chairman of the executive committee of MBank Brownsville, N.A. announced today that the sale of the bank by MCorp Financial, Inc. to a management-led investment group has been completed. The investment group is composed of members of management, the board of directors, and customers. The executive management team composed of E.A. (Gene) Gibbs Jr., chairman and CEO; James S. Scott, president; and Graciela Gutierrez, International director, will remain intact, as well as the board of directors. The bank name has been changed to Mercantile Bank, N.A. and will use the trade style, The Mercantile.

The bank originally chartered in 1914 as the State National Bank is the oldest financial institution in Brownsville and will be the largest community owned bank in the Rio Grande Valley with assets in excess of $400 million. The bank remains strongly capitalized and profitable with 1990 profits in excess of $3.4 million through November 1990 and total capital of $34 million.

Edelstein released the following statement from the board and management, "We are very pleased to return the oldest bank in Brownsville to the community that has supported it so loyally over the last 76 years. We are eagerly anticipating the many opportunities that we will have to introduce new products and banking services to the community."

CONTACT: Jim Scott or Gene Gibbs of Mercantile Bank, N.A., 512-546-2421.

-30- 1640

#90355p5691 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PROVIDENCE, RI (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Charles E. Soule has been named president of Textron's Paul Revere Insurance Group subsidiary, B.F. Dolan, Textron's chairman and chief executive officer, announced today.

Soule, 56, succeeds Aubrey K. Reid, Jr., 63, who will retire at year end after serving as president of the insurance company for nearly 17 years.

Soule, a graduate of Dartmouth College, joined Paul Revere in 1956 as a health insurance underwriter. During his 34-year career with the company, he served in many positions, including the individual insurance, group, annuity and reinsurance operations.

He became a vice president in 1971, senior vice president in 1980 and executive vice president in 1983.

Reid joined Paul Revere in 1949 upon graduation from the University of New Hampshire. He began his career as a claims examiner and held a series of field positions before returning to Paul Revere's headquarters in Worcester, Mass., in 1969 as vice president and director of agencies. He was elected

president in 1974.

The Paul Revere Insurance Group is the leading writer of individual non-cancellable disability income insurance coverage in North America and has concentrated the bulk of its business in the professional marketplace. It also offers a full line of group products, life insurance and retirement products.

Textron is a multi-industry company with operations focused in three business sectors -- Aerospace Technology, Commercial Products and Financial Services.

CONTACT: Raymond W. Caine, Jr., vice president-corporate communications, 401-421-2800

-30- 1788

#90355p5695 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Andal Corp. (AMEX: ADL) today reported a loss from continuing operations of $296,000, or $.04 per share, for the fourth quarter of its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with a profit of $95,000, or $.01 per share, in the fourth quarter of last year.

For the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, Andal reported a loss from continuing operations of $2,721,000, or $.41 per share, compared to a profit of $284,000, or $.04 per share, in the prior year. Andal also provided for a loss from its discontinued construction operations of $3 million, or $.46 per share, in the fiscal 1990 fourth quarter. The net loss for fiscal 1990 was $5,721,000, or $.87 per share, compared to net income of $284,000, or $.04 per share, in the prior year. Andal's continuing operations performance declined from the prior year primarily because of reduced operating profits from its Salem Tube, Inc. subsidiary.

Andal Corp., through its Multi-Arc division, is engaged in surface enhancement as a leading provider of thin-film metal coating services and systems. Salem is in the business of manufacturing stainless steel, high alloy and superalloy seamless and welded tubing.

ANDAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statement of Operations

(Unaudited; in thousands of dollars, except per-share amounts)

Periods ended	Three months		Fiscal year	
Sept. 30	1990	1989	1990	1989
Operating revenues	$14,912	$19,332	$61,389	$106,143
Operating costs & expenses:				
Cost of revenues	11,186	15,720	48,239	87,696
S,G&A expenses	3,429	3,458	13,173	15,846
Total	14,615	19,178	61,412	103,542
Inc. (loss) from opers.	297	154	(23)	2,601

Other income (expense):				
Investment & other inc., net	519	940	1,144	1,803
Interest expense	(1,009)	(1,050)	(3,376)	(3,807)
Amortization of goodwill	(123)	(123)	(492)	(522)
Total	(613)	(233)	(2,724)	(2,526)
Equity in net income of Steve's Homemade Ice Cream, Inc.	--	140	95	383
Inc. (loss) from cont. opers. before income taxes	(316)	61	(2,652)	458
Provision for income taxes	20	34	(69)	(174)
Income (loss) from cont. opers.	(296)	95	(2,721)	284
Loss from discontinued opers.	(3,000)	--	(3,000)	--
Net income (loss)	(3,296)	95	(5,721)	284
Income (loss) per common share:				
Income (loss) from continuing operations	$(.04)	$.01	$(.41)	$.04
Loss from discontinued opers.	(.46)	--	(.46)	--
Net income (loss)	(.50)	.01	(.87)	.04
Average number of common shares outstanding (000)	6,586	6,586	6,586	6,586

CONTACT: Michael S. Huber of Andal, 212-688-4440

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#90355p5696 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROYAL OAK, MI (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Edward B. LeFevre, president of National Bank of Royal Oak, today announced that the bank has lowered its prime lending rate to 9.50 percent.

"We believe very strongly in the health of our loan portfolio and the current earnings of our bank. We do not believe that we need to keep our prime lending rate at the artificially high rate which many of the East Coast banks are currently using," said LeFevre.

"The earnings for banks within the Midwest, and for National Bank of Royal Oak are strong enough to allow prime to be lowered," LeFevre said.

As of Dec. 20, 1990, assets for National Bank of Royal Oak were $150,895,000. The bank's commercial loan portfolio stands at $43,917,000. Risk-based capital is 11.2 percent, "well within the guidelines outlined by the Comptroller of the Currency," LeFevre said.

CONTACT: Don Wolcott Jr. of National Bank of Royal Oak, 313-399-5200.

-30- 1108

#90355p5699 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Mazda Motor of America today announced a 1.6-percent ($275) price increase on all 1991 Mazda Navajo sport utility vehicles sold in the United States. The new manufacturer's suggested retail price of the V-6-powered, four-wheel- drive Navajo is $17,835.

The price increase is effective for vehicles arriving at Mazda dealers on or after Jan. 2, 1991, and does not affect vehicle in existing dealer stocks.

Mazda also announced that the prices of some options for the Navajo had increased as well.

CONTACT: Fred Aikins, 800-248-0459, or (in Calif.) 800-346-2286, for Mazda.

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NEW YORK, (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Seligman Capital Fund, the capital appreciation mutual fund of the Seligman Group of Funds, today declared a distribution of 10 cents per share from net long-term gain realized during 1990.

This distribution is payable Dec. 28 to shareholders of record Dec. 20. Shares of Seligman Capital Fund will be offered "ex-dividend" today.

Seligman Capital Fund is managed by J. & W. Seligman & Co. Incorporation, founded in 1864, an investment manager and advisor with more than $7 billion in assets under management. The firm serves pension plans, institutions and individuals. In addition to the Seligman Group of Mutual Funds, with 30 portfolios, the firm also manages Tri-Continental Corporation, the nation's largest equity closed- end investment company, and Seligman Select Municipal Fund, a closed-end tax-exempt bond fund.

CONTACT: Ellen De Domenico of J. & W. Seligman & Co., 212-488-0382

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#90355p5703 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Thermo Process Systems Inc. (AMEX: TPS) announced today that it sold a 49 percent interest in its newly formed TPST Soil Recyclers of South Carolina subsidiary ("Soil Recyclers") to a group of investors represented by Smith, Barney, Harris Upham & Co., Inc. The private placement consisted of 50 units comprised of an aggregate of 25,000 shares of convertible preferred stock of Soil Recyclers and warrants to purchase 100,000 shares of Thermo Process Systems common stock. Thermo Electron Corportion (NYSE: TMO), the parent of TPS, purchased three units in the offering. Gross proceeds from the sale were $2.5 million. Soil Recyclers recently commenced operation of a fixed-site soil remediation business in Sumter, S.C.

Walter J. Bornhorst, president and chief executive officer of Thermo Process Systems, Inc., stated: "Commencement of operations at the South Carolina site represents the expansion of our soil remediation business into fixed-site locations where contaminated dirt is brought to the site from the surrounding area. A fixed-site remediation unit can receive soil from locations that, because of their location or the amount of the contaminated soil, cannot be practically remediated with a mobile unit. The proceeds from this private placement will provide funds to establish additional fixed sites."

Thermo Process Systems designs, manufactures, and sells advanced custom-engineered thermal-processing systems for the incineration of hazardous wastes and the automated heat treating of metal parts. The company also provides services for the on-site remediation of hazardous wastes and petroleum-laden soils, in addition to a comprehensive range of metallurgical processes. Thermo Process Systems is a public subsidiary of Thermo Electron Corporation.

CONTACT: John N. Hatsopoulos of Thermo Electron, 617-622-1111.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Seligman Communications and Information Fund, the science and technology fund of the Seligman Group of Funds, today declared a distribution of 12 cents per share from net long-term gain realized during 1990.

This distribution is payable Dec. 28 to shareholders of record Dec. 20. Shares of Seligman Communications and Information Fund will be offered "ex-dividend" today.

Seligman Communications and Information Fund is managed by J. & W. Seligman & Co. Incorporated, founded in 1864, an investment manager and advisor with over $7 billion in assets under management. The firm serves pension plans, institutions and individuals. In addition to the Seligman Group of Mutual Funds, with 30 portfolios, the firm also manages Tri-Continental Corporation, the nation's largest equity closed- end investment company, and Seligman Select Municipal Fund, a closed-end tax-exempt bond fund.

CONTACT: Ellen De Domenico of J. & W. Seligman & Co., 212-488-0382.

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#90355p5705 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIDLAND, MI (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Midland Cogeneration Venture (MCV) announced today it will be the producer of up to 200 megawatts (MW) of electricity for sale to Consumers Power Company for resale to Ontario Hydro for a one-month period beginning Jan. 7, 1991, and ending Feb. 3.

"This is the second time we have supplied power to Ontario Hydro which demonstrates their confidence in MCV," said MCV President and CEO Rodney E. Boulanger. "Certainly, there is a growing demand for power in the region, and we're excited about our prospects for helping meet those needs."

The MCV is a limited partnership formed in 1987 to convert the usable portion of Consumers Power's uncompleted former nuclear plant into a natural gas-fired combined-cycle cogeneration plant. The plant entered commercial operation in March of 1990 and is capable of producing 1,370 MW of electricity and up to 1.35 million pounds per hour of steam.

Partners in the MCV include CMS Midland, Inc., a subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation; Rofan Energy, Inc. (limited partner), a subsidiary of The Dow Chemical Company; Source Midland Limited Partnership, an affiliate of Panhandle Eastern Corporation; Coastal Midland, Inc., a subsidiary of The Coastal Corporation; MEI Limited Partnership, an affiliate of Asea Brown Boveri, Inc.; Micogen Limited Partnership (limited partner), an affiliate of Fluor Corporation; and C-E Midland Inc. (limited partner), a subsidiary of ABB-Combustion Engineering, Inc.

CONTACT: Linda L. Sims of MCV, 517-839-6714.

-30- 1707

#90355p5708 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ALBUQUERQUE, NM (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Public Service Co. of New Mexico (PNM) (NYSE: PNM) announces the appointment of Vickie Fisher, 43 years old, to the company's board. Fisher replaces E. R. "Ned" Wood who is retiring. Wood, whose term expires in 1992, has served on PNM's board for 23 years.

Fisher is controller and contract consultant with ABQ Bank in Albuquerque. She has also served as Bernalillo County Manager and Cabinet Secretary, New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department. Fisher graduated with honors in business administration from California State University and received an accounting degree from University of New Mexico. She is a Certified Public Accountant.

Among her many business and civic roles, Fisher has served as Treasurer, Greater Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce; Treasurer, Association of Commerce and Industry; and Financial Consultant, New Mexico State Fair Commission.

Also retiring, after 21 years of service, is Russell H. Stephens. Stephens term expires in 1991, no replacement has been named.

CONTACT: Frank Craig, 505-848-2366, Michael Temple, 505-848-2210 or Pam Lett, 505-848-4673, of Public Service Co. of New Mexico.

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#90355p5710 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of Seligman Growth Fund, the growth stock mutual fund of the Seligman Group of Funds, today declared a distribution of 17 cents per share from net long-term gain realized during 1990. This distribution is payable Dec. 28 to shareholders of record Dec. 20. Shares of Seligman Growth Fund will be offered "ex-dividend" on Dec. 21, 1990.

Seligman Growth Fund is managed by J. & W. Seligman & Co. Incorporated, founded in 1864, an investment manager and advisor with over $7 billion in assets under management. The firm services pension plans, institutions and individuals. In addition to the Seligman Group of Mutual Funds, with 30 portfolios, the firm also manages Tri-Continental Corporation, the nation's largest equity closed-end investment company, and Seligman Select Municipal Fund, a closed-end tax-exempt bond fund.

CONTACT: Ellen De Domenico of Seligman Growth Fund, 212-488-0382.

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#90355p5712 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
PARIS, (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Scandinavia Company, Inc. (AMEX: SCF) today reported its unaudited earnings results for the fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. The Scandinavia Company had been entirely invested in interest bearing deposit accounts until July 31, 1990, when an acquisition group of which the company is part purchased The Bricom Group Limited, an English commercial services company that provides specialized business services to commerce, industry and government. The unaudited earnings results for the fiscal quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990 reflect the first period during which The Scandinavia Company along with the others members of the acquisition group owned Bricom.

For the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, The Scandinavia Company reported gross income of approximately $1.15 million (including $690,000 of realized foreign exchange gains) and a net loss of $558,000 or $.09 per share. The net loss primarily resulted from The Scandinavia Company's share of the losses relating to its investment in Bricom, which was attributable principally to interest expense relating to acquisition indebtedness and the amortization of goodwill relating to the acquisition. Amortization was based on a 10 year amortization period.

The results of operations for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 were not necessarily indicative of future results because among other things The Scandinavia Company's assets were entirely invested in interest-bearing deposit accounts until July 31, 1990. For the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 The Scandinavia Company reported gross income of approximately $8.6 million

(including approximately $5.3 million of realized foreign exchange gains) and net income of approximately $2.2 million or $.35 per share, after taking into account, among other things, unrealized foreign exchange losses of approximately $4.5 million and the company's share of losses relating to its investment in Bricom.

CONTACT: Michael Miola of The Scandinavia Company, 516-385-9580, or in Paris, 44-94-29-33

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#90355p5715 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - In one of the largest Chicago-area office lease transactions of the year, Amoco has agreed to occupy almost 250,000 square feet of space in One Prudential Plaza, according to J. Steven Massie, general manager, The Prudential Property Company.

Amoco will consolidate several operations from Boulevard Towers and the Amoco Building into five floors of the original tower in Prudential Plaza. The majority of Amoco's operations will remain headquartered in the Amoco Building which is scheduled to be connected to Prudential Plaza via an underground pedway in 1991.

J.F. McKinney & Associates, Ltd. represented the owner, Prudential Plaza Associates, (a joint venture of The Prudential Property Company and NLI Properties, Inc.) in the transaction. Michael Haddad, vice president, Amoco Properties, Incorporated, represented Amoco.

One Prudential Plaza, the original 41-story building constructed in 1955, recently underwent major renovation of its lobby and public areas, building systems and elevators.

One Prudential Plaza now shares a lobby and a large outdoor plaza with its new 64-story sister building, Two Prudential Plaza, which was completed this year.

Prudential Plaza, with two million square feet in the two buildings, combines prime office and retail space in the heart of Chicago's new East Side.

Loebel Schlossman & Hackl was the architect for the renovation of One Prudential Plaza and the design of Two Prudential Plaza.

The Prudential Property Company is one of the nation's leading owner/developers of commercial real estate. It is responsible for a portfolio of over 160 million square feet of office, industrial, retail, hotel and residential properties. A division of The Prudential Realty Group, The Prudential Property Company has 17 field offices throughout the United States.

The Midwest region of The Prudential Property Company is responsible for

developing, leasing and managing a more than $1.6 billion portfolio of commercial space.

CONTACT: Deborah Gordon or Terry Holt of Deborah Gordon Public Relations, 312-372-0771, for Prudential Plaza.

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#90355p5716 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert H. McLean, chairman of the board and president of Buffton Corp. (AMEX: BFX), announced today that the company has signed a letter of intent with the Regency Group of Houston, Texas with respect to the sale of the assets of National Pipe Co. located in Vestal, N.Y. The purchase price will be approximately $14 million in cash and will be used to reduce the company's bank debt. The transaction is subject to certain conditions, as well as approval by Buffton's board of directors. Closing of the transaction is presently scheduled for Jan. 31, 1991.

Buffton Corp. is a diversified group of companies engaged in the manufacture of avionic, electronic, and plastic products.

CONTACT: Robert Korman of Buffton Corp., 817-332-4761

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#90355p5718 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal Corp. (NYSE: UCL) today announced a $515 million project at the company's Wilmington, Calif., refinery which will increase gasoline production and reduce high sulfur fuel oil yields.

The project will include a 55,000 barrel per day fluid catalytic cracker (FCC) feed hydrotreater, a hydrogen plant, and related sulfur recovery units.

This project will enable Unocal to produce reformulated gasolines and substantially reduce sulfur oxide emissions from the FCC unit.

The new facilities are expected to begin operation in late 1993. Cost of the project will be financed through internally generated funds.

CONTACT: Barry Lane of Unocal Corp., 213-977-7601.

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#90355p5720 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NORTHBROOK, IL (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc. (NYSE: IFL) said today that one of its wholly owned subsidiaries, IMC Fertilizer, Inc. (IMCF), has been notified by Florida Power and Light Co. (FPL), a major customer of its uranium oxide operations, that FPL has taken two of its

nuclear plants (Turkey Point No. 3 and No. 4) out of operation for major modifications, a project estimated to take about one year.

IMC Fertilizer said FPL is claiming that the planned outages excuse FPL from taking product under two long-term uranium supply contracts. Margins from those contracts for the balance of the year ending June 30, 1991, would have been approximately $11.6 million, or 27 cents per share. The negative impact on margins for the 1991/92 fiscal year would approximate $4.8 million, or 11 cents per share.

IMCF added it does not consider such a claim to be legitimate under the terms of the supply agreements between the two companies, and will vigorously oppose any attempt by FPL to avoid the terms of the agreements. The IMCF spokesman said his company expects to prevail in any dispute arising between the two companies over the claim.

IMC Fertilizer Group, Inc., headquartered in Northbrook, Ill., is the world's leading private enterprise producer of phosphate rock and potash, two basic fertilizer materials, and a manufacturer of phosphate chemicals and nitrogen crop nutrients. The company's uranium oxide recovery activities are part of IMCF's extensive Florida phosphate operations.

CONTACT: Tom Unzicker, 708-205-4839, or investor contact, John E. Galvin, 708-205-4814, both of IMC Fertilizer.

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#90355p5722 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - SciMed Life Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: SMLS) announced today that William W. McGuire, M.D., has joined its board of directors. Dr. McGuire is president, chief operating officer and director of United Healthcare Corporation.

Dale Spencer, president and CEO, commented, "Dr. McGuire's vast experience as a clinician and key executive with the nation's premier health care management company makes him a uniquely qualified and highly desirable board member. We are delighted with his appointment."

CONTACT: Dale A. Spencer of SciMed, 612-420-0702.

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#90355p5724 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - First RepublicBank Corp. (FRBC), IFRB Corp. (IFRB) and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) today announced that the FRBC Official Committee of Senior Unsecured Creditors, the IFRB Statutory Creditors' Committee, the estates and the FDIC finalized the terms of an agreement to settle all disputes. Earlier this month FRBC and IFRB announced

they had reached a conceptual understanding with the FDIC to settle all disputes.

The agreement will result in a general release of all claims and lawsuits between the FDIC and the estates and a payment to the FDIC of $142.5 million from the assets of the two estates plus approximately $15.7 million that is related to a separate adversary proceeding involving the estates and the FDIC. The agreement will require approval of the Bankruptcy Court and, with respect to some matters, the District Court. No assurance can be given that the agreement will be approved by the Bankruptcy Court and the District Court.

If the agreement is approved and the reorganization plans are implemented, approximately $275 million will be available in the FRBC estate and approximately $170 million will be available in the IFRB estate to satisfy creditors other than the FDIC. The amount of valid claims against each estate has not yet been determined.

The FDIC asserted a number of claims against FRBC and IFRB consisting both of claims arising out of the March 1988 assistance given by the FDIC and claims acquired by the FDIC as receiver of the failed First Republic banks. FRBC and IFRB have disputed the FDIC's claims. In addition, the creditors of FRBC and IFRB filed a lawsuit against the FDIC related to the March 1988 assistance. The FDIC has disputed the allegations of the lawsuit. If approved, the agreement will resolve all of these claims and lawsuits.

The FRBC and IFRB plans of reorganization, which had been approved by U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Steven A. Felsenthal in October 1990, have been stayed by U.S. District Court Judge Sydney A. Fitzwater pending an appeal by the FDIC. Under the terms of the reorganization plans, most distributions are to be withheld until resolution of the claims asserted by the FDIC against FRBC and IFRB.

CONTACT: Susan A. Brown of FRBC and IFRB, 214-922-7570.

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#90355p5730 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Harsco Corp. (NYSE: HSC) Malcolm W. Gambill, president and CEO, announced today that the U.S. Army's Tank and Automotive Command and Harsco's BMY-Wheeled Vehicles Division (BMY-WVD) have reached an agreement modifying the contract to produce five-ton trucks for the Army.

According to Gambill, the agreement includes the following:

1. The fifth program year base contract quantity plus unfunded option quantities from the third and fourth program years will be cancelled. The commitment under the original terms of the contract will be fixed at 17,092

vehicles.

2. The withdrawal by BMY-WVD of certain claims (filed or yet to be filed) plus recalculation of claim values as relates to the revised quantity of vehicles results in a reduction in excess of $50 million in claim value which includes waiver of the fifth year cancellation fee. BMY-WVD continues to pursue claims (filed or yet to be filed) in excess of $55 million. In addition, the federal excise tax and related claims continue to be pursued.

Problems with the five-ton truck contract have previously required reserves totaling $60 million. A preliminary review indicates no change in the loss provision will be required for the contract as modified.

Gambill concluded by stating that although BMY-WVD has not received any new orders for the five-ton truck, it is anticipated that new requirements in support of Operation Desert Shield and other foreign country requirements will develop in the near future. Any subsequent orders above the current base of 17,092 vehicles would be subject to negotiated pricing.

Harsco Corp. is a diversified, international, industrial company headquartered in Camp Hill, Pa. The company's 12 divisions provide products and services for defense, industrial, commercial and construction applications from more than 270 facilities in 32 states and 14 countries.

CONTACT: Herbert R. McIlvaine Jr. of Harsco, 717-763-7064.

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#90355p5735 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - North Coast Harbor, Inc. President Gary Conley has resigned effective Feb. 1, 1991 in order to accept a position as president of the Economic Development Corporation of Los Angeles County, North Coast Harbor Chairman Robert Gillespie announced today.

A search committee to find a replacement for Conley will be formed within a few days, according to Gillespie, who is also chairman and CEO of Society Corporation. Robert Bann, vice president of North Coast Harbor will assume Conley's responsibilities in the interim.

"We owe a debt of gratitude to Gary for all his hard work for North Coast Harbor since he became president in March, 1987. He's brought us to the successful conclusion of our first phase of development, culminating with the announcement of the new location of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum earlier this week. He's helped bring us to the point where North Coast Harbor and the citizens of Greater Cleveland can realize the dream of bringing Cleveland back to its historic lakefront and the creation of a place for family fun and discovery. We thank him deeply and wish him all the best in the future," Gillespie said.

The next phase of development for the North Coast Harbor, Inc., will focus on assembling a definitive development plan for the three main harbor attractions now that the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum has selected North Coast Harbor as its site. Board members for the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum will join the respective boards of the planned Great Lakes Museum and the aquarium in developing preliminary design plans for the full development of the harbor.

CONTACT: Howard C. Landau of Wyse Landau Public Relations, 216-736-4488, for the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum.

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#90355p5736 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCKVILLE, MD (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Kevin J. Burns, chief executive officer of Sage Software, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: SGSI) and Richard A. Carpenter, chief executive officer of Index Technology Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: INDX), today announced that the companies have signed a definitive merger agreement approved by their respective boards of directors for the combination of Index and Sage. They stated that the strategic combination of Sage and Index will allow the company to offer its customers a comprehensive CASE solution on mainframes, workstations and local area networks. On a combined basis the company will have approximately 10,000 customers with approximately 100,000 users. After the merger, the name of the new corporation will be changed, and Burns will be the chairman of the board and chief executive officer and Carpenter will be vice chairman and chief, strategy and product architecture.

Upon consummation of the merger, 1.059 shares of Common Stock of Sage will be issued to the stockholders of Index for each outstanding share of Common Stock of Index. Based on the current capitalization of both companies, the current stockholders of Sage will own approximately 55 percent, and the current stockholders of Index will own approximately 45 percent of the total outstanding common stock of the combined company after the merger. The closing prices of the Common Stock of Sage and Index, as reported by NASDAQ at the close of business on Dec. 20, 1990, were $9.50 and $8.50, respectively.

The combination is subject to approval by the stockholders of both companies, as well as certain regulatory approvals.

Index was founded in 1983 and is headquartered in Cambridge, Mass. The company markets its Excelerator Series of systems analysis and design CASE products from Cambridge as well as from field sales and support offices throughout the United States and Canada, subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Sweden, Denmark and Australia, and through third-party distributors, providing coverage in approximately 40 countries worldwide.

Sage specializes in CASE tools for users of IBM computers. Sage's products

allow customers to build systems faster while reducing costs and risk. Sage's worldwide headquarters are located at 3200 Tower Oaks Boulevard, Rockville, Md. 20852.

(R) Excelerator is a registered trademark of Index Technology Corporation.

CONTACT: Melody S. Ranelli of Sage Software, Inc., 301-230-3210; or J. Jeffrey Bingenheimer of Index Technology Corporation, 617-494-8200

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#90355p5738 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - All American Television, Inc., (All American) (NASDAQ: ALLT) and Scotti Brothers Entertainment Industries, Inc. (Scotti Brothers) jointly announced today a revision to the previously announced record dates.

As previously announced, existing holders of All American common stock will receive, upon consummation of the merger with Scotti Brothers, a cash dividend of $2.50 per share and will retain their shares of All American common stock. Such cash dividend will be payable to holders of record of All American common stock as of the date of the closing, rather than to holders of record on Jan. 2, 1991. Accordingly, All American shares should not trade "ex-dividend" until the first business day following the date on which the dividend is payable, which date has not yet been determined.

The record date for voting at the annual meeting will continue to be Jan. 2, 1991.

Consummation of the merger continues to be subject, among other things, to the approval by the shareholders of All American of the recapitalization of All American, and the receipt of the first installment of the purchase price for the All American stock acquired by ECD pursuant to the subscription agreement. The closing of the merger is scheduled for late January - early February 1991.

All American is a New York-based publicly traded company engaged in the distribution of television programming to domestic and international television stations, cable television networks and home video markets, and the sale of commercial time to advertisers.

Scotti Brothers is a privately held entertainment corporation based in Los Angeles. Its divisions include a record company, a motion picture production and distribution company, a television production company, and an international sales and distribution organization for motion pictures and video.

CONTACT: Joseph E. Kovacs, chief operating officer of All American Television 212-818-1200; or Tom Bradshaw, senior executive vice president of Scotti

Brothers Entertainment Industries, 213-450-3193

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#90355p5739 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
CHARLOTTE, NC (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - CCAIR, Inc. (NASDAQ: CCAR), doing business as USAir Express, today announced that it will redeploy its flight schedule, effective February 1, 1991 to stabilize its route structure. The schedule will eliminate service to Macon, Ga., Charleston, W.Va., and Jacksonville, N.C.

The company has also filed with the Department of Transportation to suspend Essential Air Service to Danville, Va., but will operate two roundtrips in the market in the interim. In addtion CCAIR will close its satellite maintenance facility in Athens, Ga. on Jan. 8, 1991.

CCAIR President, Kenneth W. Gann said, "The February flight schedule will enable us the opportunity to operate a reliable service and put the company in a position to exploit future growth targets and, hopefully, generate a modest profit."

CONTACT: Kenneth W. Gann, President, CCAIR, Inc., (704) 527-7670.

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#90355p5749 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
CLEVELAND (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonald & Company Investments, Inc. (NYSE: MDD) announced today that all of the conditions precedent to its offer to purchase up to $6,000,000 principal amount of its 8 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures due March 1, 2001 have been satisfied. The offer to purchase is scheduled to expire at midnight on Dec. 21, 1990.

McDonald & Company Investments, Inc., through its principal subsidiary, McDonald & Company Securities, Inc., operates a regional investment banking and brokerage business with twenty-one offices in Ohio, Michigan and Indiana and five offices in Illinois, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Philadelphia and Texas.

CONTACT: Gordon Price of McDonald & Company Investments, Inc., 216-443-2795.

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#90355p5753 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
WILMINGTON, DE (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Hercules Inc. (NYSE: HPC) today announced organizational and management position changes that will become effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Making the announcement, Thomas L. Gossage, incoming chairman and chief

executive officer, said the new alignment is designed to bring a more specific focus to the organization and to enhance its responsiveness.

"The changes are also directed at emphasizing the near-term importance of the aerospace business, and reassessing our corporate asset portfolio and long-term technological and strategic direction," he added.

A change in reporting relationships will have Richard Schwartz, executive vice president, Hercules Inc., and president, Hercules Aerospace Co., reporting directly to Gossage.

All other operating units will report to Fred L. Buckner, president and chief operating officer. These are:

Absorbent & Textile Products -- D.W. DiDonna, president; Advanced Materials & Systems Co. -- V.J. Corbo, president; Aqualon Co. -- C.D. Miller, president; Fragrance & Food Ingredients Group -- T.G. Tepas, president Packaging Films Group -- P.A. Bukowick, president; Paper Technology Group -- R.J.A. Fraser, president, and Resins Group -- W.E. Hosker, president. In other changes, Hercules announced that Arden B. Engebretsen, vice chairman and chief financial officer, had elected to retire at year end. No replacement for Engebretsen has been named.

Gossage also said the new alignment was designed to place together as a team several key corporate groups, such as technology, international, planning, and environmental, to develop new long-term direction for the corporation. These units will report to Dr. Eugene D. Crittenden Jr., senior vice president, who reports to Gossage.

James D. Beach has been named vice president, operations support, reporting to Gossage. In this capacity, Beach will be responsible for corporate functions that provide support to the individual business units, including research and development, information services, purchasing, transportation, engineering, safety, management services, and marketing services.

Gossage announced a new position, vice president, Management Processes, to be filled by W. Wells Hood, currently a vice president in the Hercules Advanced Materials & Systems Co. Hood's responsibilities will be ensuring Hercules' continued progress toward total quality management, long-term goal setting, and appraisal of management performance in relation to those goals.

Other corporate staff and functions reporting to the new chief executive are: Michael B. Keehan, vice president and general counsel; Thomas V. McCarthy, vice president, Human Resources; and Donald R. Kirtley, vice president, public affairs.

CONTACT: D.R. Kirtley of Hercules, 302-594-6918.

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#90355p5754 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAFOX, IL (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Richardson Electronics Ltd. (NASDAQ-NMS: RELL) today reported revenues and earnings results for the second quarter and six months ended Nov. 30, 1990.

Sales for the second quarter increased 8.4 percent to $41,303,000, compared with last year's total of $38,113,000. For the first six months of fiscal 1991, sales advanced 4 percent to $77,652,000, up from $74,684,000 one year ago.

During the second quarter, the company repurchased $7,265,000 of its 7.25 percent Convertible Debentures due 2006. Reported as an extraordinary item, the repurchase resulted in a gain, net of tax, of $2,290,000, or $.21 per share. Reflecting the gain, net income for the quarter was $1,878,000 or $.17 per share, compared with $472,000 or $.04 per share one year ago. Net income for the six-month period of fiscal 1991 was $1,983,000 or $.18 per share, compared with $2,433,000 or $.22 per share for the similar period last year.

Before the extraordinary item, the company posted a loss in the second quarter of $412,000 or $.04 per share. For the same quarter one year ago, net income was $472,000, or $.04 per share. For the six-month period, the loss was $307,000, or $.03 per share, compared with net income for the six-month period last year of $2,433,000, or $.22 per share.

In discussing the results, Edward J. Richardson, president and CEO, noted, "There are a number of factors contributing to the second quarter results. We are very pleased to report a revenue increase on a quarter-to-quarter and six-month basis. Gross margins, however, continue to be adversely affected by the company's inability to fully utilize its manufacturing facilities. This is a direct result of the still unresolved Department of Justice investigation and the company's suspension from participating in U.S. government contracts. The gross margin for the periods reflect the impact of $1,125,000 and $1,756,000, respectively, in underabsorbed costs.

"During the quarter, the company repurchased $7,265,000 (face value amount) of its convertible debentures. The purchase resulted in a gain of $2,290,000 after taxes. Also during the quarter, the company sold a portion of its long term investment portfolio resulting in a capital loss of $1,000,000. The related tax benefit will be used to partially offset the tax payments generated by the gain of the debenture repurchase."

Richardson further added, "During the second quarter, the National Electronics Division (NED) was reinstated as a supplier to the U.S. government and government-approved subcontractors. Although we can resume active pursuit of government-related business, it is not possible to recover all business lost during the past six months. Although our proceedings with the U.S. Department

of Justice are not over, legal expenses declined in the second quarter. We are still awaiting a decision or resolution from the government regarding its investigation of the Power Grid Tube industry," he concluded.

Richardson Electronics, Ltd. is a leading international distributor and manufacturer of electron tubes and power semiconductors with 21 offices throughout the world.

RICHARDSON ELECTRONICS, LTD.
(Consolidated, condensed, in thousands except per share amounts)

Periods ended:	Three months		Six months	
Nov. 30:	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales	$41,303	$38,113	$77,652	$74,684
Operating costs & expenses				
Cost of sales(A)	28,902	24,735	53,618	48,576
Special charges(B)	--	1,500	--	1,500
SG&A expenses	10,570	9,714	19,858	18,750
Operating income	1,831	2,164	4,176	5,858
Non-operating (income) expense, net	2,479	1,430	4,659	2,074
Income (loss) before taxes & extraord. item	(648)	734	(483)	3,784
Income tax (benefit)	(236)	262	(176)	1,351
Income (loss) before extraord. item	(412)	472	(307)	2,433
Extraord. gain, net of tax of $1,464 (C)	2,290	--	2,290	--
Net income	$ 1,878	$ 472	$ 1,983	$ 2,433
Net income (loss) per share				
Before extraord. item	$(.04)	$.04	$(.03)	$.22
Extraord. gain (C)	.21	--	.21	--
Net income per share	$ .17	$.04	$ .18	$.22
Avg. no. of shares outstanding	11,088	11,065	11,076	11,105

(A) -- Included in the fiscal 1991 cost of sales are manufacturing underabosorption costs of $1,125,000 and $1,756,000 for the second quarter and six months, respectively.

(B) -- Charge to operations resulting from abnormal costs and delivery delays associated with the introduction of new product lines.

(C) -- During the quarter, the company repurchased $7,265,000 of its 7-1/4 percent convertible debentures resulting in an extraordinary net gain of $2,290,000.

CONTACT: Edward Richardson, president and CEO of Richardson Electronics,

708-208-2200

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#90355p5755 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Directors of RF&P Corporation (NASDAQ: RFPC) have declared a regular quarterly dividend of $0.30 per share on the Common Stock and Dividend Obligations of the Company, payable February 1, 1991 to stockholders of record Jan. 2, 1991.

Extra quarterly dividends of $0.27 per share on the Six Percent Guaranteed Stock and $0.265 per share on the Seven Percent Guaranteed Stock were likewise declared, also payable Feb. 1, 1991, to stockholders of record Jan. 2, 1991. These dividends are in addition to the guaranteed semiannual amounts of $0.015 and $0.0175 payabale to the holders of Six Percent and Seven Percent Guaranteed Stocks, respectively, on May 1, and Nov. 1 of each year.

CONTACT: J.S. Holmgren, Director, Taxes and Administration, 804-257-3383

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#90355p5756 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
BASKING RIDGE, NJ (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Crum and Forster, Inc, the New Jersey-based insurance holding company, announced today that James J. Cutro, vice chairman and chief administrative officer, has resigned effective Dec. 31 1990. Cutro will pursue other business interests.

CONTACT: Joan Bianco of Crum & Forster, 201-204-3863.

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#90355p5758 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
RICHMOND, VA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Special Committee of the Board of Directors of RF&P Corporation (RF&P) (NASDAQ: RFPC) today announced that it is continuing discussions with the Virginia Retirement System (VRS) and CSX Corporation (CSX) (NYSE: CSX). The Special Committee has determined to seek modifications to the September 14, 1990 restructuring proposal for the purpose of obtaining a proposal that the Committee believes will maximize shareholder value.

The Special Committee, noting there can be no assurance a transaction can be agreed upon by the parties, requested and was granted authority by the full RF&P Board of Directors to discuss modifications to the proposal. Both VRS and CSX have agreed to join the Special Committee in those discussions.

Under the RF&P restructuring proposal, which was offered by VRS and agreed to by CSX, the rail assets of RF&P would be exchanged for a portion of RF&P shares held by CSX. Also, CSX would sell the balance of its RF&P shares to

VRS for $35 per share in cash. Further, RF&P would make a self-tender, at a price of $35 per share in cash, for approximately 1 million shares held by the public.

The Special Committee, comprised of three RF&P directors who are not associated with either VRS or CSX -- John Rosenblum, Edward Villanueva and C. Coleman McGehee, Chairman of the Special Committee -- has been assisted in its continuing review of the September 14 proposal by outside, independent legal advisers and investment bankers.

CONTACT: Susan H. Buffington, RF&P Corporation, 804-257-3386

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#90355p5761 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

MORRISTOWN, NJ (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Barringer Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: BARR) announced that it has extended today's expiration date of its exchange offer to holders of 12-1/2 percent convertible subordinated debentures due 1996 for Class A convertible preferred stock, par value $2.00 per share. The exchange offer will expire at 5 p.m. New York time on Jan. 18, 1991, unless further extended by the company.

CONTACT: Stanley Binder of Barringer Resources, 201-984-5760, or Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, 212-545-8400, for Barringer Resources

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#90355p5763 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Ameritech has announced the election of two new officers and executive changes in the legal organizations of its corporate headquarters and several subsidiaries. The changes, all effective Jan. 2, are:

- Thomas J. Quarles, Ameritech Publishing vice president, general counsel and secretary, and Lawrence E. Strickling, Ameritech general attorney, are elected officers of Ameritech and each is named Ameritech vice president and associate general counsel. They will report to Thomas P. Hester, Ameritech senior vice president and general counsel.

- H. Wayne Wells, Michigan Bell vice president and general counsel, is named vice president and general counsel for Troy, Mich.-based Ameritech Publishing, replacing Quarles. He will report to Gary G. Drook, Ameritech Publishing president.

- Richard J. Metzger, Wisconsin Bell general attorney, is named Michigan Bell vice president and general counsel, replacing Wells. He will report to Kenneth E. Millard, Michigan Bell president.

- Leander R. Valent, Indiana Bell general attorney, is named Wisconsin Bell vice president and general counsel. He will report to Barry K. Allen, Wisconsin Bell president.

- Floyd S. Keene, Ameritech vice president and associate general counsel, is named Ameritech Services vice president and associate general counsel for the Ameritech Bell Group. Keene will report to Richard N. Janney, Ameritech Services general counsel and vice president of external affairs.

Quarles has been Ameritech Publishing vice president, general counsel, and secretary since 1985, after serving as a general attorney for Michigan Bell. He joined Michigan Bell as a staff attorney in 1979 after private practice. From 1974 to 1975, Quarles was an assistant prosecutor for Oakland County, Mich.

Strickling has been Ameritech general attorney since 1987, after serving as a partner and attorney at the Kirkland and Ellis law firm in Chicago since 1976.

Wells has been Michigan Bell vice president, general counsel and secretary since 1983, after serving as Michigan Bell vice president and associate general counsel since 1982. He began his telecommunications career with Northwestern Bell Telephone in 1964 after serving in the U.S. Air Force. He served as an attorney for AT&T in New York from 1969 to 1973, when he joined Michigan Bell as a general attorney.

CONTACT: Mike Brand, (312) 750-5219, or Steve Ford, (312) 750-5205, both of Ameritech.

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#90355p5765 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST PALM BEACH, FL (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - IMNET, Inc. (NASDAQ: IMGE), today announced it has completed the sale of the remaining portion of its recreation and community management business to H. Irwin Levy, chairman of IMNET, and certain members of his family, for $24.5 million in cash, subject to adjustments and prorations. The transaction was authorized by shareholders at a special meeting in October.

In addition, IMNET received payment in full of $5.2 million representing the balance due on a promissory note received from the previous sale of a portion of the recreation business.

As a result of these transactions, after payment of substantially all of its corporate debt, IMNET will have approximately $6 million in working capital which it expects to use primarily to expand the operations of its document image processing systems business, the focus of the company's future activities.

The company also announced the election of Kenneth D. Rardin, 40, as president and chief executive officer of IMNET, Inc. Michael L. Wise was elected vice chairman of the board of directors, Joseph D. Weingard was re-elected vice chairman and treasurer and Levy was re-elected chairman of the board. Rardin continues in his positions as president and chief executive officer of the company's imaging subsidiary.

CONTACT: Kenneth Rardin, president and chief executive officer of IMNET, 201-882-2777

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#90355p5766 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

FAIRFIELD, NJ (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Ogden Martin Systems, Inc. (OMS), a wholly owned subsidiary of Ogden Projects, Inc. (OPI) (NYSE: OPI), has begun start-up and shakedown operations of a 1,200 ton- per-day capacity solid waste-to-energy facility serving Lancaster County, Pa.

Located in Conoy Township, the facility will receive commercial and residential trash from which recycled materials have been removed, and convert it to energy in specially designed high-temperature combustion units fitted with advanced dry scrubber and fabric filter baghouse pollution control equipment.

An estimated 30 megawatts of electric power will be sold on a continual basis to Metropolitan Edison Company, saving the energy equivalent of an estimated 500,000 barrels of oil annually.

OMS has single source responsibility for the design, engineering, construction and 20-year operation and maintenance of the $102 million facility under contract to the facility owner, the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority.

The facility went into start-up operations ahead of schedule, and is contracted to be in full commercial operation by July, 1991.

Ogden Projects, Inc. is the industry leader in the design, engineering, construction and operation of solid waste-to-energy (WTE) facilities and recycling services serving communities and counties across the country. OPI currently operates 15 WTE facilities, is constructing four more and has been awarded an additional seven.

Ogden Corporation (NYSE: OG) owns 85.6 percent of the common stock of OPI. Headquartered in New York City, Ogden is a diversified services company which also has major subsidiaries engaged in energy and environmental consulting, and provision of a wide range of services to the federal government. Other activities include Ogden Entertainment Services, a leader in the management of sports and entertainment centers and the promotion of live entertainment

events, and Ogden Aviation Services, a leading international providing support services to airports and the airline industry.

CONTACT: John Phillips or Barbara Badino of Ogden Projects, 201-882-7076

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#90355p5770 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

COSTA MESA, CA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Irvine Sensors Corp. (NASDAQ: IRSN) today reported operating results for the 1990 fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990. Revenues for the year were $3,514,200, a 16 percent increase from the previous year's sales of $3,023,000. Losses for fiscal 1990 were reduced to $788,100 from $833,100 in fiscal 1989.

James Alexiou, president, said, "Much of the year's revenue growth was attributable to our entry into the commercial arena. That entry also involved some non-recurring investments which partially offset the resulting bottom line improvements. When combined with our record year-end backlog of $4.3 million, we believe that these investments have positioned us for further improvement in fiscal 1991."

Irvine Sensors, headquartered in Costa Mesa, is primarily engaged in the development of infrared devices and high density packages of computer electronics which will have broad applications in military and commercial systems.

CONTACT: John Stuart of Irvine Sensors Corp., 714-549-8211.

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#90355p5778 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Mesa Offshore Trust (NYSE: MOS) announced the trust income distribution for the month of December 1990. Unitholders of record on Dec. 31, 1990, will receive a distribution amounting to $527,013.72 or $.007322 per unit payable on Jan. 31, 1991.

CONTACT: Cathy Glazener of Texas Commerce Bank - Houston, trustee, 713-236-6369, for Mesa Offshore Trust

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#90355p5782 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLSTON, WV (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - William Silverman and Company, one of Ohio's largest public relations and marketing communications firms, will open a dedicated service office in Charleston in early January to service Mountain State Blue Cross & Blue Shield.

The firm is on loan to Mountain State from Mutual Management Company, a

subsidiary of Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Ohio. The Silverman firm has represented the Ohio Plan for the past 15 years.

"I am extremely pleased to be establishing an office in Charleston," said William A. Silverman, president. "Although our present plans are to serve a single client, we look forward to making many friends and establishing solid and lasting associations in the community."

The firm is recognized as among the most successful in the Midwest in its handling of health care, crisis management and public affairs issues.

Staff size has not been determined, said Silverman. But it will include:

-- Barbara Schoonover, director of community relations, a native of Charleston who formerly was a vice president of the firm in Cleveland. Since then, she has been director of public information and advertising for a new community development in the Atlanta area; director of research for a consulting firm in Washington, D.C.; and more recently returned to Charleston to attend to personal family matters.

-- Robert Daniels, general manager, a former Cleveland newspaper reporter and editor, who also has served as director of public affairs for the School of Medicine of Case Western Reserve University. As a reporter, he was frequently in West Virginia to cover assignments such as the Buffalo Creek flood in Logan County in 1972 and the Tug Fork flood in 1978, among many other events across the state.

While the company is not primarily in the advertising business, it does corporate and marketing advertising for clients with seven-figure budgets, Silverman said.

Silverman was part of a research team that earlier this year did an analysis of the ongoing financial and systemic problems of the former Blue Cross & Blue Shield of West Virginia. That plan was declared insolvent on Oct. 11 by State Insurance Commissioner Hanley C. Clark.

The new Mountain State Blue Cross & Blue Shield is a restructuring of the old Charleston Plan and the former Blue Cross & Blue Shield of West Central West Virginia, based in Parkersburg.

Mountain State's creation has meant continued health care coverage without interruption for customers of the former Charleston Plan.

The office will be in Suite 705 of the renovated 405 Capitol Street Building at the corner of Washington Street. The phone number will be 304-345-9601 and the fax number 304-342-6047.

Contact: Robert Daniels of William Silverman and Company, 216-696-7750.

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#90355p5783 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
DALLAS (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Richmond Capital Corporation announced today that its previously reported intent to acquire Spherical Sound, Inc., and all of its subsidiaries and divisions, including Quakeawake, Inc. has been terminated.

CONTACT: Kevin B. Halter, president of Richmond Capital, 214-780-8000.

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#90355p5787 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
BALTIMORE (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. (NYSE: BGE) today reported common stock earnings of $183,532,000 for the 11 months ended Nov. 30, 1990, equivalent to $2.23 per common share.

This compares with earnings of $226,606,000, equivalent to $2.83 per share, for the 11 months ended Nov. 30, 1989. For the 12 months ended Nov. 30, 1990, earnings on common stock were $200,837,000, equivalent to $2.45 per share. This compares with $240,941,000, or $3.02 per share for the 12 months ended Nov. 30, 1989.

In October 1990, the company changed its revenue recognition policy to provide for the accrual of revenue for utility service rendered but not yet billed to customers as of the end of each month. This change increased earnings $.36 per share for each of the periods ended Nov. 30, 1990. This change conforms with the predominant practice within the utility industry and provides for a better match between revenues and expenses. The total impact of the change on 1990 earnings is estimated to be $.40 per share.

The decreases in utility earnings for both periods, excluding the impact of the aforementioned change in accounting method are primarily attributable to the effects of higher operations and maintenance expenses.

Kilowatt-hour sales of electricity for the 11 months ended Nov. 30, 1990, were essentially unchanged from the comparable period last year. Residential sales increased 1.6 percent, reflecting an increase in the number of customers, while commercial and industrial sales decreased 1 percent.

The total volume of gas sold during the current 11-month period decreased 5.9 percent, from the same period last year. The decrease in sales was primarily related to milder winter weather and decreased usage by the company's commercial and industrial customers.

Earnings from diversified business activities primarily represent the results of operations of Constellation Holdings. Inc. and its subsidiaries. Earnings

from diversified business activities are expected to improve moderately but will not reach the $.24 per share earnings contribution achieved during calendar year 1989.

CONTACT: Arthur J. Slusark of Baltimore Gas and Electric, 301-234-7433

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#90355p5788 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - More than 515,000 passengers are expected to fly through Baltimore/Washington International Airport (BWI) during the two-week Christmas and New Year's holiday period this year.

"Air passengers appear to be taking advantage of special incentives offered by the airlines to offset the effects of the softening economy, higher jet fuel prices, and the crisis in Saudi Arabia," said Jay Hierholzer, associate administrator for the Maryland Aviation Administration.

An estimated 798,000 passengers will use BWI in December, a 2.2 percent increase over the same time last year. More than 37,000 passengers a day are expected to use BWI this month.

Nationally, according to the Air Transport Association of America (ATA), the airlines are anticipating some 23 million passengers from Wednesday, Dec. 19 through Friday, Jan. 4.

The ATA said that load factors during the holidays are expected to be as high as 80 percent on peak travel days and average from 65 to 70 percent for the period.

"The Christmas holiday is a very busy time for air travel, ranking second only to Thanksgiving in the number of airline passengers," Hierholzer said.

BWI is ready to handle the thousands of travellers and their meeters and greeters expected at the airport during this holiday season. Air travellers are reminded to allow an extra half hour to park and get to the terminal. The best method to avoid holiday travel frustration is to plan ahead.

BWI has plenty of parking available in its hourly, daily, valet and satellite lots. The lots are located within walking distance of the terminal or a short shuttle bus ride away. Free shuttle bus service is also available from the terminal to the BWI Rail Station for travellers headed to Baltimore or Washington by train. For AMTRAK information, call 1-800-USA-RAIL. For MARC trains, call 1-800-325-RAIL.

Hierholzer said remember to check with your travel agent or the airline to see if your flight is arriving or departing on time prior to leaving for BWI. While at BWI, he suggested shopping for last-minute gifts is still possible at

BWI's new Bloomie's Express or any airport gift shop.

BWI would like to wish all its air travellers, their families and friends, a happy and safe holiday season.

CONTACT: Adrienne Pittman or Linda Greene of the Maryland Aviation Administration, 301-859-7027

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#90355p5795 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PONTIAC, MI (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of First Federal Bancorp, Inc. (AMEX: FFS) is pleased to announce the following officer promotions:

Christine McCoig -- vice president Betty Lawson -- vice president Rebecca Engel -- assistant vice president Joyce Hedin -- assistant vice president Karen Kirk -- assistant vice president Mary LeMire -- assistant vice president Shirley Oliver -- assistant vice president Chris Pavia -- assistant vice president Andrew Strociak -- assistant vice president Juanita Bouffard -- assistant cashier Robert Dozier -- assistant cashier Susan Herald -- assistant cashier Dawn Johnson -- assistant cashier Ben Junior -- assistant cashier Leonard Ligotti -- assistant cashier Sandra Newman -- assistant cashier William Tomanek -- assistant cashier Sharon Tyler -- assistant cashier Linda Ward -- assistant cashier Felicia Jackowski -- assistant trust officer

In addition, to the above officer promotions, Susan B. O'Toole has recently been appointed legal officer of First Federal Savings Bank and Trust's Legal Department.

O'Toole's responsibilities will include legal guidance and litigation on commercial lending practices. She received her Juris Doctor Degree from Wayne State University and undergraduate bachelor of arts from the University of Michigan.

O'Toole most recently was employed as a commercial litigation attorney for Seyburn, Kahn, Ginn, Bess, Howard and Harnisch, P.C. She currently resides in Union Lake, Mich.

CONTACT: Mary Ann Lambric of First Federal Savings Bank and Trust, 313-333-7071.

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#90355p5798 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

INDIANAPOLIS (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Frederick W. Zuckerman, former vice president and treasurer of the Chrysler Corp., (NYSE: C) has been elected to

the board of directors of Anacomp Inc. (NYSE: AAC).

"We are extremely fortunate to acquire the financial expertise and business experience of Fred Zuckerman as a member of our board," said Louis P. Ferrero, chairman and chief executive officer of Anacomp. "His broad base of business expertise, combined with his understanding of world markets, make him an outstanding source of counsel for our company."

Since his early retirement from Chrysler in September 1990, Zuckerman has been elected to the boards of several other public companies, and he consults for a variety of industrial and financial services companies.

Zuckerman was recruited by Chrysler's Lee Iacocca and Gerald Greenwald in 1979 as assistant controller-financial control and was appointed general assistant controller in 1981. He was elected vice president and treasurer in December 1981 with responsibility for all Chrysler investments worldwide; its real estate, pension fund and foreign exchange management; merger and acquisition analytical work; and for recommending treasury policies to its board of directors. Zuckerman also directed Chrysler's relationships with financial institutions around the world and was responsible for its credit activities. He was chairman of Chrysler International, S.A., in Geneva and was a director of several Chrysler subsidiaries.

Prior to joining Chrysler, Zuckerman spent 12 years in financial management with IBM Corp. (NYSE: IBM) and seven-and-a-half years with Ford Motor Co. (NYSE: F).

Zuckerman was graduated with a B.S. degree in 1955 from Ohio State University. He earned his M.B.A. degree in 1958 from Columbia University and received an honorary doctorate from Avila College in Kansas City, Mo. in 1983. He resides in New York City.

Zuckerman fills a new slot on the Anacomp board, joining six other directors.

Headquartered in Indianapolis and with executive offices in Atlanta, Anacomp Inc. is an information and image management company. It is the world's leading micrographics firm and serves a diverse customer base that includes banks, insurance companies and other financial institutions; large government and industrial users; and a variety of other businesses.

CONTACT: Dennis Lindsey, 404-262-2667, or Nancy Vandeventer, 317-844-9666, both of Anacomp; or Stanley Rubenstein of Rubenstein Wolfson & Co. Inc., 212-661-4343

-30- 2720

#90355p5799 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SALEM, OR (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Commercial Bank (NASDAQ: CBOR) plans to

open a new branch in Wilsonville by June 30, 1991, President Rod Tibbatts announced today.

"Wilsonville is one of the fastest growing communities in Oregon," Tibbatts said, "and as the mid-Valley's largest locally owned bank we look forward to bringing our unique community banking philosophy to this area."

During 1991 the Bank also plans to install a more modern drive-in facility and renovate the main floor of the Home Office in downtown Salem, replace some data processing equipment, and upgrade the Silverton Branch drive-in. At the same time the bank will consolidate its northeast Salem operation into their East Salem Branch and close The Silverton Plaza branch by approximately March 29, 1991.

"Despite the best efforts of our talented staff, the Silverton Plaza branch has not grown sufficiently to become profitable," Tibbatts said, "and we want to use our people in other, more productive areas.

"We are excited about our plans for 1991," related Tibbatts, "and look forward to these improvements in our customer service ability and expansion of our market area."

The Commercial Bank, the only subsidiary of Commercial Bancorp, is the mid-Willamette Valley's largest locally owned and operated bank, with 12 branches in Salem, Keizer, Monmouth, Molalla, Newberg, and Silverton employing approximately 200 people.

CONTACT: Rod Tibbatts, 503-399-2946, or Ed Martin, 503-399-2954, both of Commercial Bancorp.

-30- 1707

#90355p5801 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

EAST HANOVER, NJ (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Sandoz Pharmaceuticals Corporation has received official approval to market DynaCirc(R) (isradipine), a calcium channel blocker for the treatment of hypertension.

Isradipine was discovered by Sandoz Ltd., in Basel, Switzerland and developed in the United States by the Sandoz Research Institute, the company's research division.

It will be co-promoted and marketed in the U.S. under a joint agreement with Allen & Hanburys, a division of Glaxo Inc. The combined professional sales force committed to DynaCirc is approximately 1,300 sales representatives.

CONTACT: William O'Donnell of Sandoz Pharmaceuticals, (201) 503-7070, or David Silver of The Rowland Company, (212) 527-8868, for Sandoz Pharmaceuticals.

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#90355p5806 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
PITTSBURGH (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of the board of directors of Duquesne Light Co. held today, the following quarterly dividends were declared payable April 1, 1991, to all holders of record at the close of business on Monday, March 11, 1991.

Class of stock	Amount per share
3.75 percent preferred	$0.46875
4.00 percent preferred	$0.50
4.10 percent preferred	$0.5125
4.15 percent preferred	$0.51875
4.20 percent preferred	$0.525
$2.10 preferred	$0.525
$7.20 preferred	$1.80
$8.375 preferred	$2.09375
$2.10 preference	$0.525
$2.315 preference	$0.57875
$7.50 preference	$1.875
$9.125 preference	$2.28125

CONTACT: Ken Service of Duquesne Light, 412-393-6059

-30- 1228
#90355p5808 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire
ATLANTA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Contel Corp. (NYSE: CTC) today announced that a "two-phase" proposal has been filed by Contel and GTE Corporation (NYSE: GTE) with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) that seeks to permit the companies to complete their merger before they receive final approval from the CPUC. As a result of the filing, which was also signed by the California Division of Ratepayer Advocates, a pre-hearing conference has been scheduled for Friday, December 28th.

Phase I of the proposal would give GTE interim authorization to acquire Contel's California properties at the time of the merger closing, which is still expected to occur as late as the second quarter of 1991. Following the interim authorization, GTE must then submit to the CPUC its plans for integrating the California properties.

In Phase II, the CPUC would review the integration plans to determine if the merger provides net benefits to the ratepayers of California. In the event the CPUC does not grant final approval, the filing stipulates that GTE could be required to divest Contel's regulated local exchange telephone properties in California and the regulated cellular properties in California owned by Contel Cellular Inc. (NASDAQ: CCXLA), a subsidiary of Contel. Neither party believes divestiture will be necessary because both companies are fully prepared to

establish and prove the many benefits and merits associated with the largest merger in industry history.

The proposal was prompted by both companies' desire to avoid potentially lengthy procedural delays in California. "This approach is a good compromise " said Don Weber. "We believe that the CPUC will agree with other state commissions that have already approved the transaction, and will grant final approval upon full review of the many benefits of the merger."

Contel, a company with $3 billion in annual revenues and sales, provides a broad range of telecommunications products and services.

CONTACT: Mary Burritt of Contel Corp., 404-391-8025

-30- 2215

#90355p5809 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DANBURY, CT (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Union Carbide Corporation (NYSE: UK) today announced that KEMET Electronics Corporation will be purchased for $235 million by an investor group in which KEMET management will be a participant. Union Carbide has a 50 percent interest in KEMET. The remaining 50 percent is held by General Electric Capital Corporation and KEMET management.

Union Carbide expects a fourth quarter earnings gain of approximately $29 million, or $0.21 per (primary) share from the sale of its interests in KEMET. The company said that KEMET does not fit its strategic plans.

Union Carbide transferred its electronic capacitor business to the newly formed KEMET Electronics Corporation in 1987, retaining 50 percent ownership. Headquartered in Greenville, S.C., KEMET Electronics manufactures and sells high quality tantalum, ceramic and film capacitors to the electronics industry under the KEMET trademark. Capacitors are electronic components used to store electrical energy or to isolate electronic circuits. KEMET concluded its most recent fiscal year on March 31, 1990, with sales of more than $260 million.

CONTACT: Tomm F. Sprick of union Carbide, 203-794-6992.

-30- 1374

#90355p5810 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BRENTWOOD, TN (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - United Cities Gas Co. (NASDAQ: UCIT), the Nashville area based natural and propane gas distributor, announced today it has purchased the utility assets of Bowling Green Gas Co., in Bowling Green Missouri, for approximately $500,000.

"This purchase brings United Cities about 1,400 new natural gas customers and is expected to add close to $1 million in annual revenues," said Gene C. Koonce, United Cities' president and chief executive officer. Koonce pointed

out that the Bowling Green service territory is located just 30 miles from United Cities' operation in Hannibal, Missouri, providing opportunities for increased efficiency and profits.

"We will continue to operate a branch office in Bowling Green for the convenience of our new customers, and will benefit by consolidating similar operating functions with our existing operation in Hannibal," said Koonce.

United Cities Gas Company has had a multi-state service area since its inception in the late 1920's and presently serves approximately 290,000 customers in parts of eleven states. The company is also engaged in other energy-related businesses.

CONTACT: Linda Kelley of United Cities Gas Company, 615-373-0104.

-30- 1393

#90355p5811 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOHEMIA, N.Y. (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Nature's Bounty, Inc., (NASDAQ: NBTY) today announced results for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

NATURE'S BOUNTY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Year ended Sept. 30	1990	1989
Net sales	$70,768,849	$62,662,895
Income before income taxes and extraordinary item	1,255,370	385,514
Income taxes	532,000	150,000
Income before extraordinary item	723,370	235,514
Extraordinary item; utilization of net operating loss carryforward	0	51,870
Net income	723,370	287,384
Earnings per common share:		
Income before extraordinary item	0.77	0.24
Extraordinary item	0.00	0.05
Net income	0.77	0.29
Weighted average common shares	936,599	982,735

CONTACT: Harvey Kamil, executive vice president of Nature's Bounty, 516-244-2020

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#90355p5812 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DECATUR, GA. (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Prime Bancshares Inc. (NASDAQ: PMBS), parent holding company for Prime Bank, FSB, announced today that it has completed its sale of two branch offices in Conyers, Ga., to the Main Street Banks organization of Covington, Ga.

Prime President and Chief Executive Officer Darrell D. Pittard stated: "We are pleased to have completed the branch sale to the Main Street organization and wish them the best in their new operations in Conyers. Prime is excited about the opportunity to redeploy assets in our chief market area."

As part of the branch sale transaction, Main Street purchased approximately $34 million in loans and assumed approximately $50 million in deposits. The branch sale will net Prime approximately $3.8 million in pre-tax earnings, representing a deposit and intangible premium of approximately 6 percent and a gain on the sale of real estate.

CONTACT: Dale E. Johnson, chief financial officer of Prime Bancshares, 404-377-0211

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#90355p5814 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT WORTH, TX (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert H. McLean, chairman of the board and president of Buffton Corp.(AMEX: BFX), announced today that the company is presently negotiating with the First National Bank of Boston to restructure the company's debt.

In making the announcement, McLean stated, "The Bank of Boston has requested the company to seek other sources of financing. This change in the bank's attitude rendered the structure of our existing loan agreement unsatisfactory because it contemplated a long-term relationship."

McLean stated, "We had a good relationship with the Bank of Boston over the past four years. We are sorry to see the relationship end. The operating problems we experienced in 1989 and early 1990, the serious financial problems plaguing New England banks, as well as the continuing sluggish economy are factors contributing to this situation with the bank."

McLean continued, "In view of Bank of Boston's position, we are pursuing alternate sources of financing with other lending institutions. We also have discussions underway with potential equity investors."

McLean ended stating, "We have seen an improvement in each of our operating companies over the past eight months. We are forecasting continued improvement in our operations in the coming months."

Buffton Corporation is a diversified group of companies engaged in the manufacture of avionic, electronic, and plastic products.

CONTACT: Robert Korman of Buffton Corp., 817-332-4761

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#90355p5815 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Barry Collier, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Prism Entertainment Corporation (AMEX: PRZ), and Eric Doctorow, executive vice president of Paramount Home Video, today announced the dissolution of their ongoing distribution agreement. Under terms of the agreement, announced in December 1989, Paramount Home Video was the exclusive distributor of all Prism product within the United States. Paramount Home Video is a subsidiary of Paramount Pictures.

Effective March 1, Prism will resume all sales activities on behalf of its home video releases. The company is currently in the process of establishing its own national sales organization under the direction of Joe Petrone, vice president of sales and marketing.

"During our one year relationship with Paramount, we enjoyed healthy sales on our product, and have nothing but praise for Paramount's operation," said Collier.

"We are disappointed to see our distribution relationship end," said Doctorow. "However, we wish Prism every success, and will work closely with their sales team to ensure a smooth and orderly transition."

Prism Entertainment Corporation is a home video company which markets videocassettes of theatrical and television films, children's programming, concert performances of music and comedy artists and other programming in the United State and Canada.

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, Inc., 212-545-8400, for Prism Entertainment.

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#90355p5820 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN JOSE, CA (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Solectron Corp. (NASDAQ: SLTN), the nation's second largest independent provider of integrated manufacturing services to electronic original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) announced sales and earnings for the three-month period ended Nov. 30, 1990.

Solectron Corp. reported net sales of $53.6 million for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991. This represented an increase of 27 percent when compared to net sales of $42.2 million for the comparable quarter of fiscal year 1990.

Income before income taxes for the three-month period ended Nov. 30, 1990 also increased 23 percent to $3.2 million from $2.6 million for the comparable quarter of fiscal year 1990. Net income for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 was $1.8 million, an increase of 23 percent from last year's first quarter net income of $1.4 million.

Earnings per share for the first quarter of fiscal year 1991 was $0.28 compared with $0.31 for the comparable period a year ago. Solectron's initial public equity offering was effected on Nov. 14, 1989, towards the end of the first quarter of fiscal year 1990. Therefore, EPS in the 1990 first quarter reflects lower weighted outstanding shares.

Solectron's first quarter operating margin was 6.3 percent and return on equity was 17.9 percent.

Solectron Corp., founded in 1977, has total assets of $88.9 million at Nov. 30 1990.

Solectron emphasizes high quality, customized manufacturing, providing surface mount and turnkey assembly. Solectron has accumulated a total of 31 quality and superior service awards from its customers, such as Apple Computer, Conner Peripherals, Exabyte, Hewlett Packard, IBM, Mitsubishi, Sun Microsystems and Xerox. Solectron employs approximately 1,900 people and is headquartered at 2001 Fortune Drive, San Jose, 95131.

CONTACT: Susan Wang of Solectron, 408-942-2903

-30- 2061

#90355p5823 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Provident Bankshares Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: PBKS) today announced that the bank's in-house data processing systems will be converted to those of an outside service.

This will result in a one-time charge to fourth-quarter net income of approximately $1.3 million. Future savings are expected beginning in 1991.

The decision to hire M&I Data Services Inc., an affiliate of the Marshall & Isley Corp. of Milwaukee, to handle the bank's data processing services will provide state-of-the-art systems to support retail and commercial product delivery. The arrangement will also lower data processing costs. After conversion, M&I will assume ownership of Provident's data processing facilities from which it will service Provident and other East Coast customers. M&I currently provides such services for 400 financial institutions nationwide.

In an unrelated move, the corporation also announced that it has sold its downtown Baltimore headquarters building and entered into an agreement to lease the building from the buyer, 114 Lex Corp. The lease is a 12-year arrangement which can be renewed for up to 10 additional years. The benefits realized from the sale will offset the fourth quarter earnings impact of the M&I conversion.

Provident Bankshares Corp., established in 1987, is parent of the 104-year-old Provident Bank of Maryland, a full-service commercial bank which provides consumer and commercial banking services through a 38- branch network in the Baltimore metropolitan area.

CONTACT: Fran Minakowski (media), 301-576-2847, or Harold H. Johnson III, CFO (investment community), 301-576-2750, both of Provident Bankshares.

-30- 1871

#90355p5824 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Infotechnology, Inc. (Infotech) today announced that Security Pacific National Bank, on behalf of itself and MidLantic National Bank, to whom Infotech currently has outstanding approximately $20.7 million principal amount of loans, has accelerated the due date of such loan.

The loan is collateralized by Infotech's 46 percent stock interest in Financial News Network Inc. (FNN) (NASDAQ-NMS: FNNIE). While Security Pacific informed Infotech that it intended to enforce the bank's remedies, the bank has not scheduled a foreclosure sale of Infotech's FNN stock, and the company believes that no such sale is imminent. Infotech has been informed by FNN that FNN will continue its efforts to sell FNN without regard to any actions which Infotech's banks have taken or may take.

Infotech also announced that the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (NASD) has granted Infotech a continuing exception to the NASDAQ System filing requirements. Infotech was given until Jan. 15, 1991, to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission Infotech's annual report of Form 10-K for its fiscal year ended June 30, 1990, and until Jan. 31, 1991, to file its quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the period ended Sept. 30, 1990. Infotech's stock will continue to be traded on the NASDAQ National Market System, under the trading symbol "ITCHE."

Infotech's major holdings include 46 percent of Financial News Network Inc., 51 percent of Shark Information Services Corporation and 97 percent of United Press International, in addition to investments in certain medical and scientific companies.

CONTACT: Amber Gordon of Quest Business Agency, 703-359-6404, or 212-891-7577 for Infotechnology Inc.

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#90355p5825 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The ultimate Chevrolet Caprice -- the Classic LTZ -- makes its worldwide debut at the Greater Los Angeles Auto Show and is now in production.

"We have refined a great American car -- the 1991 Chevrolet Caprice -- for younger buyers who want a full-size car with sportier performance, impressive handling characteristics and distinctive appearance features," said J.C. (Jim) Perkins, Chevrolet general manager.

LTZ equipment is available as an option on the Caprice Classic only. The combination of a higher (3.23) axle ratio and a limited slip differential provides more traction on slippery surfaces and faster off-line acceleration. Heavy-duty 11 X 2-inch rear brakes resist fade during successive brake applications, giving the LTZ consistent stopping distances. All Caprices get anti-lock braking as standard equipment.

LTZ is supported by firmer shock absorbers, springs and bushings plus front and rear stabilizer bars for impressive handling and stability. Yet despite this increased roll resistance, the car retains typical Caprice ride quality. A thicker gauge heavy-duty frame also contributes to impressive handling and durability.

P235-70 VR15 speed-rated Goodyear Eagle GT+4 blackwall tires are standard.

A larger radiator and a transmission oil cooler have been added to keep powertrain temperatures in check under rigorous driving conditions.

Exterior appearance revisions include twin remote electric rearview mirrors, a power antenna, a flush-mounted badge on the hood and a stainless steel exhaust tip.

Inside, Caprice Classic LTZ continues its performance theme with a leather wrapped steering wheel, digital speedometer with analog tachometer, voltmeter, and temperature and oil pressure gauges.

A pocket-size fob provides the safety and convenience of keyless entry to the LTZ and its trunk. The motorist has the option of opening only the driver's door, all four doors or the trunk.

CONTACT: J. David Hudgens of Chevrolet, 313-492-8846.

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#90355p5827 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Financial News Network Inc. (FNN) today announced that the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD") has granted FNN a continuing exception to the listing requirements of the NASDAQ System. However, as of Dec. 21, FNN's stock will be removed from the National Market System (NMS), but will remain on the NASDAQ System.

The exceptions granted to FNN relate to FNN's failure to meet the net worth

requirements of the NASDAQ, and to the late filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission of FNN's quarterly report for its first fiscal 1991 quarter ended Sept. 30, 1990. The exception to the NASDAQ filing requirement will extend until Jan 15, 1991, at which time it will be subject to further review. FNN currently anticipates filing its first quarter FY 91 results by that date. FNN has previously announced that it anticipates reporting a loss of approximately $25 million for that period. After Jan. 15, the NASD will continue to review information as to FNN's financial position in determining whether to extend the exemption.

FNN's trading symbol (FNNI) will now carry the suffix "C" to indicate a financial exception to the NASDAQ listing requirements, instead of its current suffix "E," which means an exception to the filing requirements.

In a separate development, FNN's 46 percent shareholder, Infotechnology, Inc. (Infotech), announced today that its bank lenders had accelerated the due date of Infotech's loans, in the amount of $20.7 million. The loans are secured by a pledge of the FNN stock held by Infotech.

Financial News Network provides three services to more than 35 million homes on 3,500 cable systems throughout the United States and Canada. The television programming services are FNN:BUSINESS (business news and personal financial management) and FNN:SPORTS (sports information and news). FNN's market data services include FNN:Data Broadcasting (stock quotes and market information transmitted to personal computers) and its 49 percent position in Shark Information Services Corporation (stock quotes and market information to professional investors). FNN also operates a business radio network, and, collectively with Infotech, owns 51 percent of the cable network, The Learning Channel.

CONTACT: Amber Gordon of Quest Business Agency, 703-359-6404 or 212-891-7577, for Financial News Network, Inc.

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#90355p5828 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Prism Entertainment Corporation (AMEX: PRZ) today announced a loss of $117,000 from continuing operations on sales of $11,373,000 for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 compared to income from continuing operations of $638,000 on sales of $10,791,000 for the comparable nine month period a year ago.

The nine month net loss was $117,000 or 6 cents per share as compared to net income of $870,000 or 39 cents per share for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1989. Last year's net income included income of $232,000 or 10 cents per share from discontinued operations of the company's television syndication and foreign sales subsidiary, Fox/Lorber Associates, Inc. 90 percent of which was sold during this year's first quarter.

Per share earnings were based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding of 2,113,000 and 2,208,000 for the nine months ended Oct. 31, 1990 and Oct. 31, 1989, respectively.

For the three month period, net sales were $3,627,000 with a loss from continuing operations of $582,000 compared with net sales of $4,601,000 and income from continuing operations of $295,000 for the third quarter last year.

The net loss for the current third quarter was $582,000 or 28 cents per share as compared to net income of $394,000 or 18 cents per share for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1989. Last year's net income included income of $99,000 or 5 cents per share from discontinued operations of the company.

Per share earnings were based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding of $2,097,000 for the current third quarter compared to 2,208,000 outstanding for the year earlier third quarter.

In commenting on the company's activities, chairman and president, Barry L. Collier stated, "The third quarter sales were negatively impacted by the lower than anticipated theatrical performance of 'Any Man's Death' starring John Savage, Mia Sara and William Hickey which resulted in video sales of less than $250,000. Last year the company had better results from theatrically released films -- 'Bye Bye Baby' and 'My Mom's a Werewolf' which generated sales of $2,200,000 in the same quarter. However, the sales results of November and December and our January estimates indicate that fourth quarter sales may reverse the third quarter decrease.

"Also, while sales increased modestly for the nine months, the increase was not sufficient to cover the additional distribution expenses associated with the Paramount agreement," Collier stated.

Prism Entertainment Corporation is a home video company which markets videocassettes of theatrical and television films, children's programming, concert performances of music and comedy artists and other programming in the United States and Canada.

CONTACT: Philip Y. Sardoff or Gordon H. Wolfe of Wolfe Lombard, Inc., 212-545-8400, for Prism Entertainment

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#90355p5829 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - U.S. District Court Judge Malcolm Marsh today ordered Horizon Air Industries to pay nearly $275,000 in attorneys fees and costs to the Association of Flight Attendants (AFA). The expenses stem from the union's successful bad faith bargaining lawsuit, decided by the court in August of this year.

In that August ruling Judge Marsh, in a strongly worded opinion, held that Horizon Air Industries engaged in illegal bad faith bargaining under the Railway Labor Act during its three years of negotiations with the Association of Flight Attendants over the terms of an initial collective bargaining agreement for the carrier's flight attendants. Finding that Horizon "bargained in a manner designed to frustrate the negotiations," the court ordered the company to "cease and desist" from any conduct designed to forestall the reaching of an agreement. Horizon's chief negotiator was singled out by the court for his lack of authority, as well as his "arrogance, intimidation, and intractability" at the bargaining table.

"The ruling on fees and costs is a bittersweet victory for the Horizon flight attendants," said Donna Fitz, AFA local president at Horizon. "This money and the money the company spent on its own attorneys could have paid for a decent flight attendant contract long ago."

Contract negotiations since the August ruling have failed to produce an agreement. The parties are next scheduled to meet in mid-January. The talks are being assisted by federal mediator Charles Barnes.

The Association of Flight Attendants, AFL-CIO, represents flight attendants on 18 airlines including flight attendants at both Horizon Air and Alaska Airlines, and is the largest flight attendant union in the world.

CONTACT: Cindy Yeast, 202-328-5400, or Gene Mechanic, 503-224-2372, both of the Association of Flight Attendants.

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#90355p5832 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Geo, America's most fuel-efficient family of vehicles, announces expansion of its highly successful tree program beyond California to the Pacific Northwest, Colorado and Washington, D.C.

The 1991 Geo Metro was rated the most fuel efficient car in the United States by the Environmental Protection Agency.

What is the link between planting a tree and fuel efficiency? According to Perkins, tree planting and driving more fuel efficient vehicles are two important steps every individual can take to reduce air pollution, overcome the greenhouse effect, shade and cool our cities and beautify our communities.

As a major supporter of various grassroots organizations such as TreePeople, California ReLEAF, Global ReLeaf and a host of local tree planting organizations, Geo has already planted 50,000 trees with a goal of 100,000 by the end of 1991.

One tree is planted for every Geo sold as well as for every attendee at Geo-sponsored events.

Geo has supported such major environmental education events as the United Nations/Geo-Environmental Programme 1990 and the upcoming 1991 Fifth Annual AFA/USDA National Urban Forestry Conference in Los Angeles. A 1-800-TREE-GEO phone number allows interested citizens to get more information on tree planting, the environment and how to get involved.

On Nov. 9, Geo was recognized by the American Forestry Association and the White House for its instrumental role in furthering the alliance between the private and public sector. On Nov. 10, Geo sponsored a ceremonial tree planting in Washington, D.C.'s Judiciary Square to commemorate the formation of the District of Columbia Urban Forest Council (an alliance of local tree planting organizations including the American Forestry Association, Trees for the City, Trees for Georgetown, Green ReLeaf, Potomac Valley Chapter of the Sierra Club, Committee of 100, the State Forester and the University of D.C. Extension program).

In California this year, Geo has co-sponsored the "Run to the Far Side" in the Bay Area; the Braille Rallye; the Heal the Bay/TreePeople Children's March in Santa Monica; urban tree planting on Martin Luther King Boulevard in Los Angeles; "Best Buddies" College Tree Planting at TreePeople; and Giant Sequoias Redwoods planting in an area of burned-out Stanislaus National Forest.

Geo's other California Tree Program efforts included sponsoring the Sierra Club Wetlands Preservation '90 Festival; Permanent Charities "Earth Walk" in Los Angeles; Earth Day Fair in San Francisco; Earth Options Festival in San Francisco; and California ReLEAF community outreach seminar/workshops in Sacramento, San Diego, Orange County and San Jose.

The expansion of the Geo Tree program beyond California means similar types of educational environmental programs, activities and tree plantings will be adopted in other states.

CONTACT: Suzanne Kane, 805-373-8440, or Dan Pearlman, 213-280-1255, both for Chevrolet.

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#90355p5836 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAS VEGAS (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Sahara Casino Partners, L.P. (NYSE: SAH) today reported a net loss on increased revenue for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990. the partnership's net loss for the year was ($2,862,547), or ($0.15) per unit, as compared to net income of $2,879,487, or $0.15 per unit, for fiscal 1989. Revenues for fiscal 1990 increased to $164,515,450, as compared to $157,709,367 for the previous year. The partnership reported operating income before depreciation and amortization of $41,454,340 for the year ended

Sept. 30, 1990, as compared to $43,777,575 for the previous year.

Management believes that operating results were adversely affected as a result of construction at the Sahara and Hacienda and by increased capacity in the Las Vegas market.

Sahara Casino Partners L.P. is the gaming master limited partnership which owns and operates the Sahara and Hacienda Hotel/Casinos in Las Vegas and the Pioneer Hotel & Gambling Hall in Laughlin, Nev. The partnership is currently constructing the all-new Santa Fe Hotel/Casino in Las Vegas.

CONTACT: Bob Walsh of Sahara Casino Partners L.P., 702-737-2713.

-30- 1323

#90355p5840 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

SARASOTA, FL (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Jeffrey C. Brenner, chairman of the board of Tech:Time Inc. announced that Tech:Time has entered into a Letter of Intent with Tridata Systems Inc., Atlanta, for a business combination between Tridata and Tech:Time whereby Tech:Time will be the surviving corporate entity.

Tech:Time is a leading provider of computerized software systems used for time and attendance, security, access control, job costing, labor distribution, scheduling, communications and messaging. During the fiscal year ended May 31, 1990, Tech:Time's net sales amounted to approximately $3.3 million of which $2.75 million were to the health care industry. Tridata is a privately owned corporation engaged in the sale of computerized time and attendance systems primarily to the hospitality industry. Its net sales during the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1989 were approximately $3.5 million.

Brenner also announced that Tech:Time entered into a Letter of Intent with Uniquest Inc., a research and development company, providing for the acquisition of Uniquest and a cash investment in Tech:Time by the owner of Uniquest. It is contemplated that the owner of Uniquest will become involved with Tech:Time's management.

The Letters of Intent with Tridata and Uniquest are subject to the execution of definitive agreements and other conditions of closing.

Tech:Time's common stock is traded in the Over-the-Counter market as a non-listed company.

CONTACT: Gary Crawford, chief financial officer of Tech:Time, 813-954-8463

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#90355p5853 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Equitable Resources Inc. (NYSE: EQT) has

announced a $117 million capital spending program for 1991, an increase of approximately $9 million or 8.5 percent over the 1990 budget.

Higher expenditures are planned for both of the company's major business segments. Energy Resources projects a $4 million increase to $64 million, the outlays to be used chiefly for development and production of gas and oil reserves. The Utility Service segment, which includes local distribution and interstate pipeline operations, plans to invest approximately $49 million in capital projects, some $5 million more than its 1990 budget.

Energy Resources has once again placed the heaviest concentration of $49 million toward developing gas and oil reserves in its traditional Appalachian area. The balance of $15 million will be used to expand drilling operations in its non-traditional areas -- the Rocky Mountains, offshore Gulf of Mexico and Colombia, South America.

The Utility Service segment has appropriated $25 million of its $49 million capital budget to interstate pipeline operations and $24 million to local distribution activities. Approximately $18 million of the projected expenditures are associated with projects to increase the segment's gas sales and throughput.

CONTACT: Brian Plante of Equitable Resources, 412-553-5802.

-30- 1555

#90355p5854 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

GLEN ROCK, N.J. (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Rodney T. Verblaauw, president of Citizens First Bancorp, Inc., (the company) the holding company for Citizens First National Bank of New Jersey (the bank) announced today that the board of directors of the company has entered into an agreement with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (the reserve bank) respecting the operation of the company, the purpose of which is to restore and maintain the financial health of the bank. Many of the matters covered by this agreement are also covered by the regulatory order of the comptroller of the currency, the bank's primary regulator, previously consented to by the board of directors of the bank.

Included among the matters covered by the agreement are restrictions on the payment of dividends, bonuses and certain benefits and expenditures of an extraordinary nature by the company without the prior approval of the reserve bank. The company has also agreed to take steps to improve the capital position of the bank and the company and to institute more stringent expense controls to improve the profitability of the bank and the company.

Verblaauw stated that many of the things which the board of directors have agreed to do under the agreement are already in the process of accomplishment for the comptroller of the currency.

Verblaauw emphasized that the bank continues to provide the same high level of service to its customers as it has in the past and that the actions contemplated by the agreement with the reserve bank will improve the bank's ability to continue to provide these services and help the bank and the company return to long-term profitability.

Citizens First National Bank of New Jersey, the wholly owned subsidiary of the company, has fifty branches in Bergen, Passaic, Morris, Hudson and Ocean Counties.

CONTACT: Jack Blackin, treasurer of Citizens First Bancorp, 201-670-2455

-30- 2105

#90355p5855 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALLAS (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - BancTEXAS Group Inc. (NYSE: BTX) announced that it has signed a letter agreement under which an investment group to be headed by Billy B. Goldberg, Houston, would make a substantial capital infusion into BTX and acquire a significant equity interest in the company.

BTX is a bank holding company which operates two national banks, BancTEXAS Houston N.A. and BancTEXAS McKinney N.A. Goldberg is a Houston businessman and investor who has participated in the ownership and operation of banks in Texas for more than 30 years.

In the proposed transaction, the investment group would purchase between 16 million and 20 million shares of BTX's common stock for 25 cents per share, or an aggregate investment of $4-5 million. The investment group would then own approximately 45 percent to 55 percent of BTX's then outstanding common stock and would be in a position to nominate a majority of the company's board of directors. The proposed transaction is subject to numerous contingencies, including the completion of a due diligence review of BTX and its subsidiary banks; the negotiation of a formal purchase agreement acceptable to both parties; satisfactory review by federal banking regulatory authorities of the proposed change in control of BTX; solicitation of proxies and approval of the proposed transaction by BTX's shareholders; and the resolution of certain pending questions with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC).

In that regard, recent agreements between BTX and the FDIC resulted in the FDIC's current ownership of warrants, exercisable at 5 cents per share, to purchase approximately 12 percent of BTX's common stock. BTX and Goldberg are seeking to negotiate a redemption of the warrants. In addition, BTX and Goldberg will seek the FDIC's agreement that, upon completion of the proposed capital infusion, the FDIC will permanently waive any claims against BTX and its subsidiary banks arising out of the January 1990 failure of its former subsidiary, BancTEXAS Dallas N.A. In November, the FDIC agreed to a temporary waiver of such claims, provided that BTX's subsidiary banks continue to comply with applicable capital regulations.

In light of the contingencies involved, BTX estimates that it would take a minimum of several months to obtain all of the necessary approvals, if the parties enter into a formal purchase agreement.

CONTACT: Nate Collins of BancTEXAS, 214-701-4701

-30- 2640

#90355p5862 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, CO (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Equitex Inc. (NASDAQ: EQTX) announced today the results of its annual meeting of stockholders held earlier today at the Hyatt Regency Tech Center in Denver.

The company's stockholders re-elected Henry Fong, Daniel Alef and Dr. Russell Casement to the board of directors to serve until the next annual meeting to be held in 1991. The stockholders also ratified the appointment of Carol A. Davis, Certified Public Accountant to serve as the company's independent auditor for the fiscal year 1990.

Equitex is a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

CONTACT: Thomas B. Olson of Equitex Inc., 303-796-8940

-30- 864

#90355p5872 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Fort Lauderdale aviation attorney Eugene Steele announced today that a settlement has been reached with Delta Air Lines on behalf of five relatives of four victims of the Aug. 2, 1985 Dallas crash of Flight 191.

Steele advised that the exact settlement amounts were confidential, however, they were consistent with similar million dollar settlements. Steele had already collected over $1 million in benefits on behalf of Broward County Judge Zeb Wright, husband of deceased Dr. Kathleen Wright, a Broward County Nova University professor and former school board member.

Steele noted that these cases are very significant because they represent collecting twice. He said, "This situation arose because the insurance company took the position that the parents, grandparents, sister and children of the Florida residents could not be compensated under Florida law. I told the insurance company that Texas and not Florida law applied. Therefore, I referred these matters to Tom Davis, a very experienced aviation attorney in Austin, Texas. Tom not only proved that Texas law applied but came up with a new theory which allowed one of the victim's sisters to receive compensation for witnessing the crash.

"The other settlements were on behalf of the Dill family of Coral Gables, Fla. Wally Dill came to me and asked if they were entitled to recover. He did not understand why the insurance company had not offered them compensation for the loss of their daughter and grandchildren. The saddest news I received during the litigation was that Wally had died. I can say without hesitation that the personal loss that he experienced contributed to his death. When you sit across from a man who opens his heart, you can feel the pain. I hope that he knows we were successful on his family's behalf."

Steele is a former FAA attorney, airline pilot, aviation law professor and air safety investigator. Steele will not receive an attorney's fee. During each major air crash he has offered to handle without charge any case where an attorney wrongfully solicited the client.

"While I will not receive a fee, Tom agreed to a reduced fee under the circumstances. What is of concern to me is that some relatives who were entitled to compensation were told they could not recover and may have lost their rights. I believe that some local attorneys in an attempt to keep the cases and fees may have avoided sending these cases to out of state attorneys where the law is favorable. These attorneys could be sued successfully for malpractice," Steele said.

CONTACT: Eugene Steele, aviation attorney, 800-347-5176.

-30- 2879

#90355p5873 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - BankAtlantic (NASDAQ-NMS: ASAL) today announced that the exchange offering previously announced on Nov. 23, 1990, pursuant to which capital note holders may exchange approximately $24.4 million of capital notes for BankAtlantic non-cumulative preferred stock, has been extended until 5 p.m., Fort Lauderdale time, Feb. 15, 1991. The extension was undertaken to provide note holders who have not as yet responded to the exchange offering an opportunity to do so without concern about slow holiday postal services affecting delivery of their letters of transmittal to BankAtlantic. As of this date approximately $10 million of capital notes have been tendered for exchange.

Under terms of the exchange offering, noteholders participating in the offering will receive one share of BankAtlantic preferred stock for every $25 of principal amount of captial notes tendered, and noteholders may choose from three exchange options for varying amounts of preferred stock and cash. Upon closing of the exchange offering, BankAtlantic will file applications for listing and trading of the preferred issues with NASDAQ and will seek to comply with all applicable listing requirements. The exchange offer is only being made pursuant to an offering circular dated Nov. 23, 1990.

BankAtlantic, A Federal Savings Bank, has assets of $1.85 billion and 46 banking offices in Broward, Palm Beach and Dade counties. Established in 1952, and a public company since 1983, BankAtlantic common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the ticker symbol ASAL.

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TENERIFFE, CANARY ISLANDS (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - A McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) MD-11 trijet operated by Finnair yesterday completed its first flight carrying revenue passengers. The big airliner took off from Helsinki, Finland yesterday morning and arrived five hours and 35 minutes later here, covering a distance of 2,651 miles (4,912 km).

On board were 360 passengers, senior officials of the airline, a flight crew of two and 10 cabin attendants. Capt. Kaarlo Jaskari said the advanced technology MD-11 provided a "smooth and trouble-free flight. We have been looking forward to introducing the MD-11 to our passengers for more than four years and reserved this date for our first service many months ago. Yesterday's flight was truly a historic occasion. We are pleased that the MD-11 is living up to our expectations."

Finnair holds firm orders for three additional MD-11s and options for two more. The airline will operate the first MD-11 in charter service linking Helsinki with the Canary Islands five days per week. Initially it will carry up to 365 passengers. The airline plans to increase capacity to 400.

Later Finnair plans to begin using the MD-11 for its intercontinental service.

Finnair recently became the first airline in the world to accept delivery of the MD-11. The world's newest airliner was launched in December 1986, with Finnair as one of the original 12 customers. First flight was Jan. 10 of this year and initial certification by the United States Federal Aviation Administration occurred Nov. 8, after a flight test program of more than 2,000 flight hours.

The second Finnair MD-11 is due for delivery in the fall of 1991, the third is scheduled for delivery in the spring of 1992 and the fourth in the fall of 1992. In all, McDonnell Douglas has received orders and other commitments for 375 MD-11s from 32 customers in 24 countries.

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#90355p5876 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

STAMFORD, CT. (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - The Triangle Corporation (AMEX: TRG) announced today that it is implementing a plan to restructure its operations around its core businesses and reduce its debt burden.

As the first step in the restructuring, Triangle has entered into an agreement to sell its special tools business to SPX Corporation for $12 million in cash. The special tools business, based in Garden City, Mich., designs, assembles and distributes special tools for OEM customers in the automotive industry. The sale is expected to close in early 1991. Triangle has agreed with its bank to apply $7 million of the proceeds of the sale to reduce its outstanding bank indebtedness. The company will retain the remaining proceeds of the sale for working capital purposes.

In furtherance of its restructuring plan, Triangle intends to seek to arrange a new long-term senior credit facility. Covenants in Triangle's senior subordinated debentures currently prohibit such a new facility. Triangle therefore intends to commence a tender offer and related consent solicitation to purchase at least $12,750,000 principal amount, or approximately 51 percent of its outstanding debentures.

The tender offer is expected to commence in January 1991 and would be conditioned on arranging the credit facility, the tender of at least 51 percent of the outstanding debentures and the receipt of a sufficient number of consents to modify the indenture as required. Triangle currently intends to offer $600, plus accrued interest to the date the tender offer expires, for each $1,000 principal amount of debentures. Furman Selz Incorporated will serve as dealer manager of the tender offer and is serving as financial advisor to Triangle in connection with its restructuring plan.

Triangle also announced today that its previously announced agreement to sell its fuel injector cleaning equipment product line to Parker Automotive Corporation for $2.25 million in cash and $500,000 in Parker common stock had not been completed as scheduled because of Parker's breach of the purchase and sale agreement. The company has been in contact with Parker and is considering various alternative courses of action. The company stated that it had no assurance now that the transaction would be completed.

Triangle also announced that because the sale of its fuel injector cleaning equipment product line would not be completed in December as scheduled, the company expected to report a loss for the fourth quarter and for the year of 1990. The company had earlier announced that it expected to report breakeven results for the year after including the favorable financial impact of the anticipated product line sale to Parker.

In commenting on the company's restructuring plan, H. Arthur Bellows Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, said, "The restructuring plan announced today assures us the liquidity needed to improve the results of our core

businesses. We have confidence that steps we are pursuing will enable the company to return to its historic levels of profitability."

The Triangle Corporation is a leading manufacturer and distributor of a wide range of quality mechanics' hand tools, aerosol and service chemicals and special tools for the electronics and telecommunication segments of the industrial market, the automotive aftermarket and the consumer do-it-yourself hardware market, and of horseshoes and farrier (horseshoer) tools.

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#90355p5883 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO, (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Warehouse Club Inc. (NASDAQ: WCLB) announced today that it has agreed with The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company Inc. (NYSE: GAP) not to be proceed with the proposed sale to A&P of newly issued common stock representing a majority ownership interest in Warehouse Club.

The transaction had been the subject of a non-binding letter of intent previously entered into by Warehouse Club and A&P on Nov. 6, 1990. No other transaction between Warehouse Club and A&P is presently contemplated.

Warehouse Club Inc. operates a chain of 10 wholesale cash-and-carry members-only warehouse stores, selling high-quality merchandise at wholesale or near-wholesale prices. The company's customers are comprised of businesses that purchase items for commercial use or resale and selected groups of individual retail customers. The company's objective is to achieve operating efficiencies that permit the sale of products at prices significantly below those members would have to pay to traditional wholesale distributors, discount retailers and supermarkets.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Squibb Diagnostics, a division of Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (NYSE: BMY), today announced approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to market its new technetium agent, CardioTec(R) (Kit for the preparation of Technetium TC 99m teboroxime), indicated for myocardial perfusion studies -- the measurement of blood flow to the heart -- both at rest and at stress. CardioTec is the first technetium agent to receive FDA approval.

The introduction of CardioTec, also the first of a new class of imaging agents indicated for myocardial perfusion studies, offers unique advantages both to nuclear medicine physicians and to patients being evaluated for myocardial

infarction or ischemia.

Available on site, CardioTec allows physicians to image the heart within minutes of its administration to the patient.

For patients, faster testing can result in less time taken off from work or from other activities. CardioTec is also indicated for at-rest and at-stress imaging (procedures that are currently reimbursable) in both the laboratory and acute-care setting.

In addition, CardioTec differs from thallium in that thallium must be ordered in advance, while CardioTec can easily be prepared on-site as needed. "This advantage offers convenience and scheduling flexibility, especially for a busy laboratory," explained Dr. Bellinger.

CardioTec is the first of a new class of imaging agents known as BATOs (boronic acid adducts of technetium dioximes), indicated for evaluating coronary blood flow both at rest and at stress. BATO compounds offer a number of significant advantages over thallium: They readily cross cell membranes, including those of the myocardium, and are efficiently extracted by the myocardium, even at high flow rates characteristic of patient exercise or pharmacologic intervention. Rapidly eliminated from the heart, BATO compounds also allow repeat studies to be performed quickly, including the imaging of a patient's status before and possibly after intervention.

For Squibb Diagnostics, a global leader in diagnostic contrast agents and radiopharmaceuticals, CardioTec represents the continuation of a legacy begun more than three decades ago when the company pioneered the development of radiopharmaceuticals for use in nuclear medicine. During the 1950's and 1960's, Squibb Diagnostics introduced many of the nation's first radiopharmaceutical agents and is recognized for instituting the first training programs targeted at nuclear medicine technologists.

Bristol-Myers Squibb is a diversified pharmaceutical company whose principal businesses are pharmaceuticals, consumer products, medical devices and nutritionals.

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#90355p5892 12/21/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 21) PR NEWSWIRE - Synercom Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: SYNR) today reported a net loss of $316,000 or 5 cents per share on revenues of $3,002,000 for the company's fourth quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990. For fiscal 1990, Synercom reported a net loss of $1,691,000 or 28 cents per share on revenues of $11,723,000. In the fourth quarter of the prior year, the company reported

net income of $446,000 or 7 cents per share on revenues of $4,142,000. For fiscal 1989, the company reported net income of $2,306,000 or 36 cents per share on revenues of $17,501,000. Included in net income for the quarter and year ended Oct. 31, 1989 is an extraordinary credit from tax loss carryforwards which had the effect of increasing net income by $152,000 and $772,000, respectively.

Total revenues for the quarter and year ended Oct. 31, 1990 decreased 27.5 percent and 33.0 percent respectively, compared to the quarter and year ended Oct. 31, 1989. Synercom directs its marketing efforts toward major electric, water and gas utilities, such as British Gas, through a contract with Digital Equipment, U.K.; governmental entities; and telecommunications companies, such as Pacific Bell. The adverse effect upon Synercom's revenues and profitability for fiscal 1990 compared to fiscal 1989 is primarily due to a reduction in aggregate revenues resulting from unpredictable delays in the build-out of the systems for Digital Equipment, U.K., and Pacific Bell, and to a lesser extent, a decrease in international revenues resulting from the timing of the build-out of existing systems.

Revenues under agreements entered into with each of Digital Equipment, U.K., and Pacific Bell were approximately $2,496,000 and $720,000, respectively, for fiscal 1990 compared to $4,380,000 and $2,479,000, respectively, for fiscal 1989. Under these agreements there are no obligations to order any minimal level of software and the amount and timing of orders are subject to customer discretion. The company does not expect to license substantial amounts of additional software products to Pacific Bell until Pacific Bell has successfully completed the conversion of outside plant records to a digital data base in the first implementation district, which is not expected to occur until late fiscal 1991. At the company's current revenue levels, quarterly results of operations (and to a lesser extent, period-to-period results) are difficult to predict as a result of the timing and amount of orders from these customers.

Revenues from product licensing and sales comprised 45.9 percent and 46.3 percent of total revenues for the quarter and year ended Oct. 31, 1990, respectively, compared to 60.7 percent and 61.3 percent of total revenues for the quarter and year ended Oct. 31, 1989. Services revenues comprised 54.1 percent and 53.7 percent of total revenues for the quarter and year ended Oct. 31, 1990, respectively, compared to 39.3 percent and 38.7 percent of total revenues for the quarter and year ended Oct. 31, 1989.

As an integrator of spatial information systems, Synercom is committed to providing solutions to the complex problem of managing corporate assets. The company continues to invest heavily in developing new products and enhancing its existing software product line. These efforts have resulted in the delivery of significant new software products and enhancements and updates to existing products during fiscal 1990, which included a new version of INFORMAP with an enhancer user interface developed using the X Window standard. During

the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990, the company delivered two new products: INFORMAP/R and INFOPLOT/R. These products are part of a suite of database build technologies that provide integrated raster/vector processing and information management capabilities for incremental conversion of manual records. Additionally, the company developed and demonstrated a version of INFORMAP, fully integrated with ORACLE Relational Data Base Management System, and also INFORMAP executing in a UNIX environment. Synercom expects to release these products in early 1991.

Synercom provides integrated spatial systems solutions for major commercial and governmental organizations worldwide. The company's software products and systems integration services increase the efficiency, accuracy and cost-effectiveness of recording, tracking, analyzing and managing geographically dispersed assets and the activities affecting these assets. Synercom offices and distributors of Synercom products are located worldwide, and the company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol SYNR.

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MINSK (DEC. 21) TASS - BYELORUSSIA GUARANTEES A HIGH DEGREE OF PAYOFF AND RATIONAL USE OF ANY FOREIGN CREDITS, LEONID KOZAK, CHAIRMAN OF THE BYELORUSSIAN PARLIAMENT'S STANDING COMMISSION FOR ECONOMIC REFORM, ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGNTY, SAID IN REPLY TO A STATEMENT MADE BY A GROUP OF OPPOSITION MP'S.

THE STATEMENT BY THE OPPOSITION CIRCULATED HERE SAID BYELORUSSIA "WOULD NOT TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR REPAYING CREDITS OBTAINED BY SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV".

MOST BYELORUSSIAN DEPUTIES DISAGREED WITH THE OPPOSITION STATEMENT. ACCORDING TO DEPUTIES, FEARS THAT THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP WILL MAKE BYELORUSSIA PAY THROUGH THE NOSE ARE WITHOUT GROUNDS. BYELORUSSIA WILL NOT REJECT FOREIGN CREDITS AND GUARANTEES THEIR REPAYMENT.

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MINSK (DEC. 21) TASS - RADIATION HAS SHUT DOWN THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY IN THE BYELORUSSIAN TOWN OF SLAVGOROD FOR THE NEXT THREE HUNDRED YEARS.

THE ENTIRE POPULATION OF THIS TOWN IN THE CHERNOBYL DISASTER ZONE IS BEING RESETTLED, ALONG WITH PEOPLE FROM HUNDREDS OF OTHER BYELORUSSIAN SETTLEMENTS WHO ARE EXPECTED TO MOVE OUT IN THE NEXT TWO OR THREE YEARS.

THE HOUSING AND INDUSTRIAL STRUCTURES ON DESERTED LAND WILL DECAY GRADUALLY. THE GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO PRESERVE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS ONLY MONUMENTS OF CULTURE AND ARCHITECTURE -- NINE ESTATES AND PARKS, FOUR CHURCHES AND MORE THAN A HUNDRED WAR-TIME BURIALS, INCLUDING THE FAMOUS CHAPEL ON THE BATTLEFIELD WHERE RUSSIAN SOLDIERS FOUGHT AGAINST SWEDES NEAR THE VILLAGE OF LESNAYA IN 1708.

"MILLIONS OF ROUBLES ARE NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT THE PLAN TO RESCUE CULTURAL MONUMENTS," BYELORUSSIA'S FIRST DEPUTY CULTURE MINISTER VLADIMIR GHILEP TOLD TASS.

"THE REPUBLIC, WHICH HAS SHOULDERED THE HEAVY CLEAN-UP BURDEN THESE PAST FOUR YEARS, HAS NO MONEY FOR THE PURPOSE. WE CANNOT AFFORD TO BUY FOR CURRENCY VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING EQUIPMENT, DEVICES TO TAKE MEASUREMENTS OF BUILDINGS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT NEEDED TO RESCUE THE MONUMENTS, WHICH ARE PART OF BYELORUSSIAN AND GLOBAL CULTURAL HERITAGE.

"WE HOPE FOR ASSISTANCE FROM WESTERN COUNTRIES AND ABOVE ALL UNESCO IN THE NOBLE EFFORT TO SAVE THE REPUBLIC'S CULTURAL HERITAGE," GHILEP SAID.

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#90355t0184 12/21/1990 ~ts

TBILISI (DEC. 21) TASS - THE GEORGIAN PARLIAMENT ADOPTED A BILL TO FORM GEORGIAN INTERIOR MINISTRY TROOPS.

"THE NATIONAL GUARD IS MEANT TO PROTECT THE INTERESTS OF THE HOMELAND, ITS TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, CITIZENS' LIFE AND PERSONAL DIGNITY AS WELL AS THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS AGAINST CRIMINAL ENCROACHMENTS AND OTHER ANTI-SOCIAL ACTIONS," THE LAW SAYS.

SOLDIERS FOR INTERIOR TROOPS ARE DRAFTED FROM AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE REACHED 18, AND OFFICERS - FROM AMONG VOLUNTEER CITIZENS UNDER CONTRACT.

THE NATIONAL GUARD COMMANDER IS APPOINTED BY THE GEORGIAN SUPREME SOVIET.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

Cleveland at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Washington, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Detroit, 8 p.m.
Charlotte at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.

LA Lakers at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Milwaukee at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Portland at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Atlanta - Re-signed pitcher Charlie Leibrandt to 3-year contract.

Baltimore - Announced catcher Mickey Tettleton accepted arbitration; signed catcher Bob Melvin to 2-year, $1.5 million contract.

California - Released second baseman Johnny Ray, who signed a 2-year contract with Yakult of the Japanese League.

Chicago (AL) - Signed pitcher Charlie Hough to 1-year contract.

Detroit - Announced club will not offer contract to pitcher Lance McCullers.

Los Angeles - Acquired catcher Bert Heffernan from Milwaukee for pitcher Darren Holmes and assigned him to Albuquerque of the Pacific Coast League (AAA); designated reliever Jim Poole for assignment.

Milwaukee - Announced club will not offer contract to pitcher Tom Edens.

Pittsburgh - Agreed to 3-year contract with catcher Don Slaught; signed outfielder Keith N. Miller, pitchers Shawn Holman and Morris Madden, first baseman Steve Stanicek and third baseman Joe Redfield; released catcher Dann Bilardello and outfielder Scott Little; claimed pitcher Rosario Rodriguez on waivers from Cincinnati; announced club will not offer contract to pitchers Jerry Reuss and Doug Bair.

Toronto - Announced club will not offer contract to pitcher John Cerutti.

BASKETBALL

Indianapolis - Fired coach Dick Versace; named Bob Hill coach.

COLLEGE

American - Named Michael Brady women's soccer coach.

Boston College - Announced Jimmye Laycock resigned as football coach and will

return to William & Mary.

Georgia - Named Steve Ensminger quarterback coach.

Howard - Suspended basketball forward Keither Kirven indefinitely.

Norwich - Named Steve Hackett football coach.

Susquehanna - Named Greg Christodulu baseball coach.

FOOTBALL

New England - Named Sam Jankovich director of football operations.

New Orleans - Placed defensive end Wayne Martin and center Steve Korte on injured reserve; activated center Brad Leggett and nose tackle Travis Davis from practice roster.

Sacramento (WLAF) - Named Kay Stephenson coach.

HOCKEY

NY Islanders - Assigned right wing Brad Dalgarno and re-assigned right wing Derek Laxdal to Capital District of the American Hockey League.

Quebec - Signed goaltender Ron Tugnutt to 1-year contract.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - The Bush administration appears to be using anti-drug aid in South America as a cover to help fight rebel forces, a House panel charged.

The House Government Operations Committee concluded in a study released Thursday that the administration's overall anti-drug strategy in Colombia, Bolivia and Peru is ineffective, misguided and dangerous and should be redirected.

The White House had no immediate comment.

In a scathing 102-page report, the panel said effective controls must be implemented to ensure that counter-narcotics assistance is not used to to help host nations battle insurgents.

It also recommended that the focus of the strategy be shifted from law enforcement to placing a greater emphasis on developing an alternative crop program for thousands of peasant farmers who now grow coca that is turned into

cocaine.

The House committee oversees federal anti-drug efforts, which includes the administration's 2-year-old $261 million Andean Inititiative.

The strategy seeks to disrupt cocaine production and trafficking in Colombia, Bolivia and Peru through crop eradication, interdiction and law enforcement.

Members of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration are being used to help coordinate strikes against clandestine cocaine laboratories and coca fields.

''One of the committee's most significant and alarming findings is that our government might be giving drug aid as a smokescreen to block insurgencies,'' said committee chairman Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich.

''If the State Department wants to fight guerrillas, it knows how to come and ask for counter-insurgency funds. It is not our job to use our military might disguised as anti-drug assistance,'' Conyers said.

His panel concluded in its report, ''United States Anti-Narcotic Activities in the Andean Region,'' that the administration's strategy is hampered by poor management, coordination and oversight.

Virtually all of the world's cocaine is produced in Colombia, Peru and Bolivia. The United States is the biggest cocaine consumer.

Last February, President Bush and the leaders of the three other countries held an anti-drug summit in Cartagena, Colombia, where they vowed to increase joint efforts to combat narco-trafficers.

The House panel said, however, ''The single greatest obstactle to the operational effectiveness of Andean counter-narcotics efforts may be the lack of political will and or ability among the host countries.''

The panel also found that the administration's strategy ''reflects a largely military and law enforcement response to deep-rooted and diverse economic problems.''

Conyers said in a statement: ''My greatest concern is that we have non-military U.S. agencies and personnel conducting paramilitary activities, particularly in the Upper Huallaga Valley in Peru.''

He noted that on April 7, an estimated 200 guerrillas attacked the anti-drug police base at Peru's Santa Lucia. In an ensuing gun battle, U.S. pilots flew helicopter gunships and DEA agents returned automatic weapon fire.

''What are DEA agents doing coordinating the military operations of foreign troops?'' Conyers asked rhetorically. ''Clearly, we are overstepping our

capacity as 'advisers.'''

There are four main rebel groups in Colombia, the biggest, is M-19. The main insurgency in Peru is the Shining Path. There is no organized rebel group in Bolivia, but there has been mounting signs that one may soon be formed.

Conyers said, ''The State Department has told Congress that 'it is inevitable that counter-narcotics activities will at times require counter-insurgency efforts.'''

He said, ''Provisions in the 1988 Anti-Drug Abuse Act did not include funding for counter-insurgency operations, yet much of our assistance to these nations is becoming just that.''

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(DEC. 21) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	21	4	.840	-
Philadelphia	16	8	.666	4 1/2
New York	11	12	.478	9
New Jersey	9	14	.391	11
Washington	8	15	.348	12
Miami	5	18	.217	15

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	17	7	.708	-
Chicago	15	9	.625	2
Detroit	15	9	.625	2
Atlanta	12	11	.522	4 1/2
Cleveland	11	14	.444	6 1/2
Indiana	9	16	.360	8 1/2
Charlotte	8	15	.348	8 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	16	5	.762	-
Utah	16	9	.640	2
Houston	14	11	.560	4
Dallas	7	14	.333	9
Minnesota	7	16	.304	10

Denver	5	18	.217	12
Orlando	5	21	.192	13 1/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	22	3	.880	-
Phoenix	15	7	.682	5 1/2
LA Lakers	14	8	.636	6 1/2
Golden State	14	10	.583	7 1/2
LA Clippers	10	14	.417	11 1/2
Seattle	9	13	.409	11 1/2
Sacramento	6	16	.273	14 1/2

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(DEC. 21) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	20	12	5	45	141	113
Philadelphia	19	16	4	42	130	125
New Jersey	17	13	6	40	141	123
Washington	18	18	1	37	122	114
Pittsburgh	17	16	3	37	150	135
NY Islanders	12	16	4	28	93	116

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	19	11	5	43	119	110
Montreal	16	16	4	36	112	114
Hartford	14	17	4	32	99	117
Buffalo	11	16	7	29	103	115
Quebec	8	21	7	23	101	154

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	24	11	2	50	125	93
St. Louis	20	9	5	45	118	93
Detroit	18	13	4	40	131	125
Minnesota	10	20	6	26	104	120
Toronto	9	25	2	20	96	146

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	20	12	4	44	148	113
Los Angeles	18	10	5	41	137	109

Vancouver	16	17	3	35	114	124
Edmonton	13	17	2	28	102	106
Winnipeg	10	21	7	27	121	142

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(DEC. 21) UPI - A Republican congressman says President Bush was very graphic Thursday in trying to get his point across to Iraq's Saddam Hussein . Representative Elton Gallegly of California says Bush told a group of congressmen that the best way to avoid war with Iraq is for Saddam to realize he is- quote- ''going to get his butt kicked.''

A House panel Thursday blasted the Bush administration's overall anti-drug strategy in South America as ineffective, misguided and dangerous and said it should be redirected. In a scathing 102-page report, the House Government Operations Committee charged the administration appears to be using anti-drug aid in the region as a cover to help fight rebel forces.

U-S and British officials say they're making ''substantial progress'' toward solving the 1988 Pan Am disaster. The officials issued a joint statement Thursday, on the eve of the second anniversary of the terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland. Families of crash victims have criticized the probe and urged investigators to disclose what they've turned up so far.

Former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega spent the one year anniversary of his ouster in a Miami prison awaiting trial on drug and racketeering charges. Noriega was deposed by a U-S invasion on December 20, 1989, and has been awaiting trial since. If convicted, he could face a maximum penalty of 145 years in prison and one-Million dollars in fines.

Chicago police are seeking three teen-age girls in the stabbing death of a young mother of four who was visiting the city with her husband to celebrate their wedding anniversary and see the Christmas decorations. Police say 29-year-old Laura Chambers of Wilmington, Illinois, died Thursday from stab wounds she suffered at a West Side McDonald's Wednesday night.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 21) UPI - Despite orders from Congress, the Air Force failed to fully inspect potentially defective structures in some of Lockheed's C-5B transport planes, a former general says.

The disclosure raises questions about whether the planes, which are currently ferrying troops and equipment to Saudi Arabia, are safe to fly because failure of the structural parts could cause the aircraft to crash.

Last month, a jury in Los Angeles imposed a $45.3 million judgment against Lockheed in a civil case in which three ''whistleblowers'' claimed they were fired after trying to alert management to structural defects in the giant cargo planes.

On Thursday, the law firm that represented the three former Lockheed employees said it had turned over documentation that proves ''... there was fraudulent involvement of key Air Force inspectors with resultant lies to Congress.''

Also on Thursday, retired Lt. Col. Lawrence B. Welborn, who says he was in charge of preparing the C-5Bs for inspection in 1986, said the Air Force inspectors tested only ''a small fraction'' of the structures they later reported to Congress had been exhaustively inspected.

A Lockheed spokesman strongly denied that the plane is flawed and the Air Force refused to comment.

Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., whose subcommittee on oversight and investigations sought a special inspection of the structures in 1986, demanded Thursday that the Defense Department's inspector general investigate whether the Air Force misled Congress or submitted false documents.

At that 1986 hearing, the Air Force general in charge of procurement testified that the service had not accepted flawed aircraft parts, but promised to have the planes thoroughly inspected and report back to the subcommittee.

That report, submitted in January 1987, stated that 24 suspect forgings installed in four planes had been exhaustively inspected. The Air Force submitted diagrams of the planes' main frames - the large circular, weight-bearing structures that support the plane in flight - showing that hundreds of individual points had been inspected.

But in an affidavit obtained by Dingell from the whistleblowers' attorney Herbert Hafif of Claremont, Calif., Welborn said he was in charge of removing the outer panels that provided access to the main frames and that only one area of one plane was exposed for testing.

The Air Force's report to Congress said conclusively: ''Structural integrity of the 24 suspected forgings was confirmed.''

''We have proof that the inspections were never done,'' Hafif said. ''the track record of these aircraft shows there were problems from birth.''

The three whistleblowers alleged that 26 forgings used in the main frames were improperly heat-treated at Lockheed's Burbank, Calif., plant and that they now contain flaws. Twenty-four of the main frames were used in the first four C-5Bs.

''We have given Congress the irrefutable proof that it needs to get to the people who lied and what they did in response to 1986-87 congressional investigations,'' said Hafif. ''The information we have will be sufficient to immediately ground the first four aircraft.''

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(DEC. 21) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

BOSTON (115)

Bird 7-15 1-1 16, Gamble 7-12 2-2 16, Parish 6-8 0-0 12, Shaw 2-4 3-4 7, Lewis 9-14 6-7 24, McHale 8-15 3-4 20, Brown 3-9 0-0 7, Kleine 0-4 4-6 4, Popson 0-1 0-0 0, Pinckney 4-5 0-0 8, Smith 0-3 1-2 1, Vrankovic 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 46- 91 20-26 115.

CHARLOTTE (96)

Newman 4-10 4-6 12, Gilliam 11-16 4-4 26, Reid 0-7 2-2 2, Bogues 1-7 0-0 2, Chapman 9-15 2-2 20, Curry 7-14 1-2 15, Keys 1-3 0-2 2, Gattison 3-8 1-1 7, Hoppen 0-0 3-4 3, Gill 2-8 1-2 5, Scheffler 0-0 0-0 0, Tripucka 1-4 0-0 2. Totals 39-92 18-25 96.

Boston	27	29	31	28-115
Charlotte	17	29	18	32- 96

Three-point goals-Bird, McHale, Brown. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Boston 22, Charlotte 24. Rebounds-Boston 56 (McHale 15), Charlotte 38 (Gilliam 8). Assists-Boston 32 (Bird 10), Charlotte 24 (Bogues 9). Technicals-None. A-23,901.

UTAH (87)

Edwards 2-5 0-0 4, K.Malone 6-15 5-7 17, Eaton 2-5 2-4 6, J.Malone 8-13 0-0 16 Stockton 3-9 0-0 9, Bailey 1-8 0-0 2, Rudd 4-7 0-0 8, Brown 3-4 1-2 7, Cummings 3-4 4-6 10, Griffith 2-6 0-0 4, Toolson 1-4 0-0 2, Palmer 1-4 0-0 2. Totals 36-84 12-19 87.

ATLANTA (105)

Wilkins 8-19 3-3 20, Willis 9-14 1-2 19, Koncak 3-7 1-2 7, Rivers 6-14 2-2 15, Webb 4-8 1-2 11, Battle 8-13 3-3 19, McCormick 1-5 1-2 3, Ferrell 2-3 2-4 6, Moncrief 0-0 0-0 0, Malone 1-4 1-2 3, Robinson 0-0 0-0 0, Wilson 0-2 2-4 2. Totals 42-89 17-26 105.

Utah	14	21	21	31- 87

Atlanta	29	22	30	24-105

Three-point goals-Stockton 3; Wilkins, Rivers, Webb 2. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Utah 20, Atlanta 17. Rebounds-Utah 40 (Eaton 11), Atlanta 53 (Willis 11). Assists-Utah 27 (Stockton 13), Atlanta 31 (Webb 7). Technicals-Utah (illegal defense), J.Malone. A-10,504.

ORLANDO (126)

Catledge 10-24 8-12 28, Scott 13-23 6-6 35, Kite 4-9 2-3 10, Anderson 5-12 0-1 10, Skiles 13-21 2-2 31, Reynolds 2-10 2-2 6, Acres 2-4 0-0 4, Ansley 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 50-104 20-25 126.

HOUSTON (128)

Johnson 5-7 1-2 11, Thorpe 4-7 0-0 8, Olajuwon 10-25 4-5 24, Maxwell 6-19 3-4 18, K.Smith 4-9 2-2 12, Wood 10-12 4-4 27, L.Smith 1-4 0-0 2, Floyd 11-22 4-5 26, Winchester 0-3 0-0 0, Feitl 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 51-110 18-22 128.

Orlando	31	29	33	26	7-126
Houston	29	21	41	28	9-128

Three-point goals-Scott 3, Skiles 3; Maxwell 3, K.Smith 2, Wood 3. Fouled out-Wood. Total fouls-Orlando 18, Houston 27. Rebounds-Orlando 53 (Catledge 17), Houston 48 (Olajuwon 16). Assists-Orlando 32 (Skiles 17), Houston 29 (K.Smith 7). Technicals-Acres. A-13,902.

PORTLAND (118)

Kersey 3-12 4-4 10, Williams 6-8 1-3 13, Duckworth 8-14 1-2 17, Drexler 11-23 12-15 37, Porter 9-16 2-3 22, Ainge 3-7 1-1 9, Robinson 3-11 0-0 6, Young 0-4 0-0 0, Cooper 0-3 0-0 0, Bryant 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 45-100 21-28 118.

GOLDEN STATE (125)

Hill 3-9 1-1 7, Mullin 9-18 7-7 25, Johnson 3-3 2-2 8, Hardaway 15-22 3-3 36, Richmond 8-20 8-10 24, Lister 3-5 4-6 10, Tolbert 2-4 3-4 8, Marciulionis 1-4 3-4 5, Higgins 0-1 2-2 2, Pritchard 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 44-87 33-39 125.

Portland	25	29	36	28-118	
Golden State	28	34	33	30-125	

Three-point goals-Drexler 3, Porter 2, Ainge 2; Hardaway 3, Tolbert. Fouled out-Duckworth. Total fouls-Portland 31, Golden State 27. Rebounds-Portland 50 (Williams 16), Golden State 43 (Hill 13). Assists-Portland 29 (Porter 8), Golden State 20 (Hardaway 15). Technicals-Kersey; Mullin. A-15,025.

SEATTLE (110)

McKey 5-13 2-2 12, Kemp 1-5 4-6 6, Cage 3-3 3-3 9, Payton 6-9 0-0 12, Threatt 5-13 0-0 10, Polynice 3-9 2-2 8, Johnson 9-13 1-2 19, Ellis 10-15 1-3 22, McMillan 1-3 0-0 2, Corzine 0-2 1-2 1, Barros 3-3 2-2 9. Totals 46-88 16-22 110.

SACRAMENTO (75)

Bonner 3-11 2-2 8, Tisdale 3-7 1-4 7, Causwell 1-5 3-4 5, Sparrow 2-10 0-0 4, Simmons 7-15 1-2 15, Wood 1-9 1-2 3, Carr 12-19 0-0 24, Wennington 2-3 2-2 6, Leckner 0-3 1-1 1, Calloway 1-6 0-0 2. Totals 32-88 11-17 75.

Seattle	21	19	34	36-110
Sacramento	13	20	22	20- 75

Three-point goals-Ellis, Barros. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Seattle 19, Sacramento 22. Rebounds-Seattle 50 (Kemp 10), Sacramento 43 (Bonner 11). Assists-Seattle 32 (Payton 12), Sacramento 22 (Wood 8). Technicals-None. A-17,014.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - The Orlando Magic suffered another loss on the road Thursday night, but this time there was reason to feel their troubles away from home won't last forever.

Orlando suffered its seventh straight defeat and fell to an NBA-worst 1-15 on the road with a 128-126 overtime loss to the Houston Rockets, but the Magic did not go down without a fight.

Houston needed a layup from Sleepy Floyd with three seconds left in regulation to tie it 119-119 and force the extra session. Orlando's Scott Skiles had a chance to force a second overtime, but his shot missed at the buzzer.

''Our guys played well enough to give us an opportunity to win,'' said Magic Coach Matt Guokas. ''We took an early lead and won the battle of the boards, but with seven seconds remaining in regulation we let Sleepy drive the lane unmolested.''

Skiles finished with 31 points and 17 assists, rookie Dennis Scott had 35 points and Terry Catledge added 28 and 17 rebounds. The Magic's only road victory this year came at New York.

For Houston, David Wood scored a career-high 27 points, Floyd had 26 and Akeem Olajuwon finished with 24 points, 16 rebounds and 11 blocked shots.

Elsewhere, Atlanta defeated Utah 105-87, Boston beat Charlotte 115- 96, Golden

State downed Portland 125-118 and Seattle clobbered Sacramento 110-75.

-- AROUND THE NBA --

Hawks 105, Jazz 87

At Atlanta, Dominique Wilkins scored 20 points and Kevin Willis and John Battle added 19 apiece for the Hawks, who took a 15-point lead after one period and coasted to their sixth straight victory. Karl Malone paced Utah with 17 points

Celtics 115, Hornets 96

At Charlotte, N.C., Reggie Lewis scored 24 points and Larry Bird had 16 points 10 assists and eight rebounds as Boston won its sixth straight and handed the Hornets their eighth loss in a row.

Warriors 125, Trail Blazers 118

At Oakland, Calif., Tim Hardaway poured in a career-high 36 points and added 15 assists in 43 minutes to lift Golden State. Portland, 22-3, was paced by Clyde Drexler with 37 points and Terry Porter with 22.

SuperSonics 110, Kings 75

At Sacramento, Calif., Dale Ellis scored 22 points as Seattle ended a three-game road losing streak and handed the Kings their worst loss in more than two years. Antoine Carr had 24 points for Sacramento, which had won three straight.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Buffalo	0	1	0-1
Boston	1	2	1-4

First period-1, Boston, Wiemer 2 (Walz, Lazaro), 7:20.

Penalties-Nilan, Bos, 1:34; Makela, Buf, 4:12; Franceschetti, Buf, 12:20; Ruuttu, Buf, 16:18; Pedersen, Bos, 16:18; Ray, Buf, 17:00; Janney, Bos, 17:38; Wesley, Bos, double minor, 20:00; Tucker, Buf, 20:00; Hartman, Buf, 20:00.

Second period-2, Boston, Neely 18 (Janney, Ruzicka), 9:22. 3, Boston, Burridge 10 (Poulin), 11:46. 4, Buffalo, Ramsey 2 (unassisted), 18:29.

Penalties-Ray, Buf, 7:14; Bodger, Buf, 12:31; Nilan, Bos, 12:31; Curran, Buf,

minor-major (fighting), 12:48; B.Sweeney, Bos, minor-major (fighting), 12:48; Kennedy, Buf, 12:48; Ray, Buf, 16:55; Burridge, Bos, 16:55.

Third period-3, Ruzicka 3 (Bourque, Moog), pp, 5:47.

Penalties-D.Sweeney, Bos, 1:56; Hartman, Buf, 5:28; Ray, Buf, major (fighting) 8:08; Nilan, Bos, major (fighting), 8:08; Galley, Bos, 17:36; Hartman, Buf, major (fighting); 19:42; Wiemer, Bos, major (fighting), 19:42; Pedersen, Bos, misconduct, 19:51; Ray, Buf, misconduct, 19:51; Lazaro, Bos, 19:51; Kennedy, Buf, 19:51.

Shots on goal-Buffalo 5-10-8-23. Boston 14- 12-12-38.

Power-play conversions-Buffalo 4-0. Boston 6-1.

Goaltenders-Buffalo, Puppa. Boston, Moog. A-14,125.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

Hartford	0	0	2-2
NY Islanders	2	1	1-4

First period-1, NY Islanders, Volek 12 (Norton, LaFontaine), pp, 7:41. 2, NY Islanders, Wood 11 (Volek, Reekie), 12:09.

Penalties-Jennings, Har, double minor, 2:14; Vukota, NYI, double minor, 2:14; Ladouceur, Har, 6:21; Kastelic, Har, double minor-misconduct, 9:41; Baumgartner, NYI, double minor-misconduct, 9:41; Evason, Har, 10:03; Ludwig, NYI, 14:13.

Second period-3, NY Islanders, Volek 13 (LaFontaine, Wood), 15:05.

Penalties-Francis, Har, 3:05; Samuelsson, Har, double minor, 6:16; Wood, NYI, double minor, 6:16; Kastelic, Har, major (fighting), 13:33; Baumgartner, NYI, major (fighting), 13:33.

Third period-4, Hartford, Wilson 3 (Cote, Shaw), pp, 4:41. 5, Hartford, Ladouceur 1 (Holik), 12:59. 6, NY Islanders, Volek 14 (Healy), en, 19:37.

Penalties-Baumgartner, NYI, double minor, 2:24; Vukota, NYI, major (fighting)-game misconduct, 2:24; Kastelic, Har, major (fighting)-game misconduct, 2:24; Holik, Har, major (fighting), 15:48; Krygier, Har, game misconduct, 15:48; Pilon, NYI, major (fighting), 15:48.

Shots on goal-Hartford 8-7-13-28. NY Islanders 7-7-3-17.

Power-play conversions-Hartford 2-1. NY Islanders 3-1.

Goaltenders-Hartford, Sidorkiewicz. NY Islanders, Healy. A-9,824.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

Washington	1	2	0	0-3
St. Louis	0	1	2	0-3

First period-1, Washington, Hatcher 15 (Pivonka), 2:08.

Penalties-Sutter, StL, major (fighting), 11:41; Langway, Was, major (fighting) 11:41; Courtnall, StL, 11:41; May, Was, 11:41; Featherstone, StL, 12:03; G.Cavallini, StL, 14:38; Ciccarelli, Was, 17:20.

Second period-2, Washington, Ridley 11 (Miller, Hatcher), :33. 3, St. Louis, Momesso 7 (Featherstone), 0:55. 4, Washington, Lalor 1 (Ridley, Miller), 8:31.

Penalties-Stevens,StL, major (fighting), 1:54; Kypreos, Was, major (fighting), 1:54; Brown, StL, 2:21; Momesso, StL, 11:26.

Third period-5, St. Louis, Hull 34 (Featherstone, Oates), 3:16. 6, St. Louis, Hull 35 (Wilson, Brown), 6:20.

Penalties- None.

Overtime-No scoring. Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Washington 8-20-5-1-34. St. Louis 12-9-15-4-40.

Power-play conversions-Washington 4-0. St. Louis 1-0.

Goaltenders-Washington, Luit; St. Louis, Joseph. A-17,391.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

Los Angeles	0	2	1	1-4
Calgary	1	2	0	0-3

First period-1, Calgary, Makarov 11 (MacLellan, Johansson), 14:30.

Penalties-Miller, LA, major (fighting), 3:28; Kyte, Cgy, major (fighting), 3:28; Makarov, Cgy, 4:59; Bjugstad, LA, 5:05; M.Hunter, Cgy, 10:27; Robinson, LA, 12:24.

Second period-2, Calgary, Nieuwendyk 20 (Suter, Fleury), pp, 3:52. 3, Los Angeles, Elik 10 (Taylor, Benning), 9:16. 4, Calgary, Macoun 5 (MacInnis, Suter), 14:57. 5, Los Angeles, Gretzky 21 (Benning, Kudelski), 15:27.

Penalties-Miller, LA, 3:30; Musil, Cgy, 4:49; Taylor, LA, 12:53; Buskas, LA, 17:04, Benning, LA, 17:04; Makarov, Cgy, 17:04.

Third period-6, Los Angeles, Duchesne 10 (Gretzky, Robitaille), 19:00.

Penalties-Taylor, LA, 4:19; Buskas, LA, major (fighting), 4:19; Simard, Cgy, major (fighting), 4:19; Matteau, Cgy, 4:19; Hrudey, LA, (served by Tonelli), 4:19; MacLellan, Cgy, 4:32.

Overtime-7, Los Angeles, Robitaille 17 (unassisted), 3:43.

Penalties-Tonelli, LA, :04; M.Hunter, Cgy, :04; Watters, LA, double minor, 2:02; Otto, Cgy, double minor, 2:02.

Shots on goal-Los Angeles 7-8-14-2-31. Calgary 12-16-10-1-39.

Power-play conversions-Los Angeles 3-0. Calgary 5-1.

Goaltenders-Los Angeles, Hrudey. Calgary, Wamsley. A-20,132

Referee-Terry Gregson.

Edmonton	1	2	1-4
Vancouver	1	3	3-7

First period-1, Vancouver, Linden 16 (Bradley, Plavsic), pp, 3:18. 2, Edmonton Joseph 2, (Simpson, Messier), pp, 10:24.

Penalties-Simpson, Edm, 2:58; Joseph, Edm, 6:58; Capuano, Van, major (high-sticking)-game misconduct, 9:17; Vancouver bench (too many men), 19:10.

Second period-3, Vancouver, Lumme 3 (unassisted), 7:16. 4, Vancouver, Bradley 11 (Linden, Valk), pp, 11:42. 5, Edmonton, Murphy 13 (Klima, Tikkanen), 12:14. 6, Edmonton, Simpson 15 (Messier, Anderson), pp, 15:35. 7, Vancouver, Valk 9 (Linden, Bradley), 16:30.

Penalties-Beukeboom, Edm, 1:31; Messier, Edm, 11:14; Lidster, Van, 13:38.

Third period-8, Edmonton, Messier 4 (Joseph, Semenov), pp, 2:45. 9, Vancouver, Linden 17 (Plavsic), 2:52. 10, Vancouver, Linden 18 (Quinn, Plavsic), pp, 10:25. 11, Vancouver, Lidster 4 (Kron, Linden), 16:22. Penalties-Bradley, Van, 0:46; Lowe, Edm, 8:55; Bradley, Van, 8:55; Brown, Edm, double minor-misconduct 9:05; Bozek, Van, 9:05; Beukeboom, Edm, minor-misconduct, 9:54; Buchberger, Edm, major (fighting), 16:33; Odjick, Van, minor-major (fighting), 16:33; Butcher, Van, 19:18.

Shots on goal-Edmonton 13-11-12-36. Vancouver 9-12-12-33.

Power-play conversions-Edmonton 7-3. Vancouver 6-3.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Takko. Vancouver, Gamble. A-15,725.

Referee-Bill McCreary.

New Jersey	0	1	2	0-3
Philadelphia	1	1	1	0-3

First period-1, Philadelphia, Berube 3 (Acton, Kushner), 8:29. Penalties-Boschman, NJ, :44; Crowder, NJ, major (fighting), 9:14; Carkner, Phi, minor-major (fighting), served by Mellanby, 9:14; Driver, NJ, 9:25; Eklund, Phi, 9:25; Fenyves, Phi, 14:18; Morris, NJ, 17:09; Ricci, Phi, 17:09; Driver, NJ, 17:34; Norwood, NJ, misconduct, 20:00; Crowder, NJ, double minor-misconduct, served by Morris, 20:00; Acton, Phi, minor- misconduct, 20:00; Carkner, Phi, misconduct, 20:00.

Second period-2, New Jersey, MacLean 24 (Muller), sh, 1:22. 3, Philadelphia, Ricci 10 (Murphy), pp, 18:43. Penalties-Lemieux, NJ, 11:44; Weinrich, NJ, 18:08.

Third period-4, New Jersey, Shanahan 14 (MacLean, Daneyko), 5:49. 5, Philadelphia, Hostak 2 (Craven, Tocchet), 12:07. 6, New Jersey, MacLean 25 (Stastny, Muller), pp, 14:51. Penalties-Crowder, NJ, 2:15; Fetisov, NJ, 7:10; Baron, Phi, 8:49; Driver, NJ, 9:08; Sutter, Phi, 9:08; Kushner, Phi, 13:50; Shanahan, NJ, 19:40; Carkner, Phi, 19:40.

Overtime-No scoring. Penalties-Lemieux, NJ, 4:19; Carkner, Phi, 4:19.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 8-7-16-1-32. Philadelphia 10-15-11-4-40.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 4-1. Philadelphia 7-1.

Goaltenders-New Jersey, Terreri. Philadelphia, Hextall. A-17,382.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

Minnesota	2	0	1	3
Pittsburgh	2	1	1	4

First period-1, Minnesota, Dahlen 5 (Gagner, Bellows), 3:35. 2, Minnesota, Broten 8 (Dahlen), 9:15. 3, Pittsburgh, Cullen 14 (Coffey, Tanti), 12:10. 4, Pittsburgh, Coffey 14 (Recchi, Zalapski), pp, 19:18. Penalties-Tinordi, Min, 4:10; Tanti, Pit, 4:10; Giles, Min, 10:03; Zettler, Min, 18:40.

Second period-3, Pittsburgh, Jagr 8 (Trottier, Roberts), 15:44. Penalties-Stevens, Pit, 1:26; Hrdina, Pit, 3:45; Zettler, Min, 18:46; Bourque, Pit, 18:46; Gavin, Min, 19:35.

Third period-6, Minnesota, Broten 9 (unassisted), 16:54. 7, Pittsburgh, Recchi 17 (Cullen, Bourque), 19:06. Penalties- Johnson, Min, 8:56.

Shots on goal-Minnesota 8-16-8-32. Pittsburgh 11-10-16-37.

Power-play conversions-Minnesota 2-0. Pittsburgh 4-1.

Goaltenders-Minnesota, Hayward. Pittsburgh, Pietrangelo. A-15,140.

Referee-Andy van Hellemond.

Winnipeg	0	1	0-1
Detroit	1	0	2-3

First period-1, Detroit, Chiasson 3 (Primeau), 13:24. Penalties-Donnelly, Wpg, 9:00.

Second period-2, Winnipeg, Olczyk 12 (Housley, Olausson), 1:39. Penalties-Shank, Det, :49; Olczyk, Wpg, 3:38; Eagles, Wpg, 8:07; Donnelly, Wpg, 11:07.

Third period-3, Detroit, Fedorov 17 (Fedyk, Dollas), 6:06. 4, Detroit, Yzerman 20 (Burr), 14:17. Penalties-Racine, Det, 15:41; Primeau, Det, 19:00.

Shots on goal-Winnipeg 6-4-12-22. Detroit 4-7-7-18.

Power-play conversions-Winnipeg 3-1. Detroit 4-0.

Goaltenders-Winnipeg, Essensa. Detroit, Cheveldae. A-19,473.

Referee-Paul Devorski.
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TOKYO (DEC. 21) UPI - Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto expressed concern Friday over the effect Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze's resignation had on the Persian Gulf crisis and European financial markets.

''We are concerned over effects of his (Shevardnadze's) resignation on foreign exchange, bond and securities markets in Europe,'' Hashimoto told reporters after a Cabinet session.

''This has added to uncertainties over the Gulf crisis,'' he added.

Hashimoto said he is watching closely how it will affect world financial markets.

Government spokesman Misoji Sakamoto declined immediate comment and said the government is closely following developments in the Soviet Union.

He added, however, ''Whether or not Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's reform policies will succeed will bear a serious impact on Soviet-Japanese relations.''

The news of Shevardnadze's resignation came ahead of a scheduled meeting between him and Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Nakayama in Moscow in January and Gorbachev's trip to Japan, slated for April.

Shevardnadze resigned the same day Japan announced a steep drop in defense spending growth from 5.4 percent to 3 percent a year over the next five years, and officials cited a relaxation of the Soviet threat as justification for the cuts.

''We don't recognize the Soviets as an enemy anymore,'' Chief Cabinet Secretary Misoji Sakamoto said Thursday.

The Tokyo Stock Exchange reacted to the news quickly, prompting investors to unload their share holdings.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected issues, which fell 351.84 points Thursday, plunged another 446.71 points to close the morning session at 24,078.23.

''The news (of Shevardnadze's resignation) sent a shock wave through the market but there was not a sense of panic'' as investors focused their interest on the Middle East and interest rates, said one trader.

Brokers said most investors also sold their share holdings to clear their positions ahead of the Christmas holiday overseas and three-day weekend in Japan.

The market will be closed Monday because of a national holiday.

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KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA (DEC. 21) UPI - The teary-eyed mother of the first U. S. citizen facing the death penalty for marijuana possession under Malaysia's tough laws said she believed her son used the drug to alleviate pain.

''Personally I do not know why he took cannabis,'' Virginia Wiley told the High Court Thursday. ''But I assume he suffered a lot of pain after falling

off a cliff,'' said the 62-year-old retired college teacher from Sacramento, Calif.

Kerry Lane Wiley, 38, a computer lecturer, was arrested in November 1989, after customs officers raided a house where he was staying in a Kuala Lumpur suburb and found 9.4 ounces of marijuana in six tin cans.

Wiley is the first American to be charged under statutes mandating the death sentence for anyone caught with half an ounce or more of heroin or morphine, two pounds of opium or 6.4 ounces of marijuana.

Virginia Wiley, who taught psychology and sociology, said she never actually saw her son smoke marijuana. He ''has never been addicted to cannabis and has never undergone any rehabilitation program.''

Wiley described the Dec. 20, 1964, accident when her 12-year-old son fell off a 66-foot mountain cliff, and it took 50 men two hours to rescue him. Wiley was hospitalized for six weeks ''and wrapped up like a mummy with only his chin, where he had 38 stitches, showing,'' she said.

''The incident received much publicity in California,'' she said. ''It was called a Christmas miracle'' that Wiley survived.

He underwent several rounds of surgery during the next four years, she said.

Virginia Wiley said the pain persisted and he gave up taking pills when he reached 18. ''He was anti-doctors and anti-medication,'' she said.

Under cross-examination on whether she kept track of her son's activities, Wiley said, ''I do not think you can keep track of any 18- year-old boy when he leaves home.''

Earlier an American psychiatrist testified that marijuana helped relieve Wiley's pain. Dr. Lester Grinspoon, an associate professor as Harvard Medical School, said he believed marijuana helped Wiley alleviate muscle spasms, rheumatism and chronic depression.

Submitting a medical report, Grinspoon said it showed Wiley suffered a fracture on his right wrist, right ankle and upper left arm as a result of the fall 26 years ago.

Malaysia first introduced the death penalty for drug offenses in 1975 as an option for judges sentencing convicted traffickers. The government of Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad amended the law in 1983 to make it mandatory that all convicted traffickers be hanged.

Since 1975, more than 100 people have been executed, including 27 foreigners.

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MANILA, Philippines (DEC. 21) UPI - President Corazon Aquino Friday named a general who played a key role in crushing the bloodiest coup attempt against her government as armed forces chief for the unusually short term of four months.

Critics said Aquino's appointment of Maj. Gen. Rodolfo Biazon indicated indecision that could heighten tensions in the 159,000-member military.

In a speech during the 55th anniversary of the armed forces, Aquino announced Biazon will takeover as chief of staff upon the retirement on Jan. 23 of Gen. Renato de Villa.

''His tour of duty will be up to April 1991 when he reaches the retirement age of 56,'' Aquino said in her address broadcast over defense department radio. She did not indicate her choice of a permanent chief of staff whose normal tour of duty is three years.

But she named army chief Maj. Gen. Guillermo Flores, 53, who is regarded as a strong contender for the top military position, as Biazon's deputy. She also appointed military operations chief Brig. Gen. Lisandro Abadia as the new army commander.

Twenty-nine colonels and navy captains were promoted to brigadier general or its equivalent rank, including Col. Evelgia Mendoza as the first woman brigadier general in the military.

Political science professor Francisco Nemenzo said Biazon's short term as military chief has made him a lame duck and was a sign of Aquino's indecision.

''If she really wanted the chief of staff to institute reforms, to do something to heal the wounds, she should have appointed somebody who will stay long or extended Biazon's tenure,'' he said.

Nemenzo said the problem of divisiveness in the military ''requires more than just changing leaders. He said the ''malady is so deep and complex that it requires a series of internal reforms to depoliticize a ''rms to depoliticize a

Military sources said Aquino's action was meant as a gesture of gratitude to the loyal Biazon and that eventually Flores, a low-key and decisive combat officer, will takeover.

Biazon, a former superintendent of the Philippine Military Academy and Marine commander, is currently head of the National Capital Region Defense Command.

Biazon assembled a ragtag band of soldiers and turned the tide of battle in the Dec. 1-9, 1989, coup attempt, the sixth and bloodiest since Aquino took power in a civilian-backed military revolt in 1986. At least 99 people were killed and 570 others were wounded in the uprising.

''I am grateful to the leadership for giving me the mandate,'' said Biazon who declined further comment.

Rebel soldiers have said Biazon's appointment will only serve to heighten divisions in the armed forces. They point out the high-profile Biazon has antagonized many junior officers for his ascerbic comments against military dissidents.

''Biazon will only foment more coups,'' said Col. Reynaldo Ochosa, who was convicted on Wednesday along with 80 others in connection with a coup attempt in August 1987.

In her speech, Aquino said the armed forces had scored successes against leftist and rightist insurgents.

But she acknowledged a long-term solution could only come ''in the form of economic development and delivery of basic services.''

She indicated the more serious threat to the government could come from rising oil prices as a result of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait Aug. 2.

Rumors have begun circulating in the capital of a coup attempt that could coincide with the a new round of price increases next month.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - A California Republican congressman says President Bush indicates that if a war breaks out, Iraq will lose badly. Representative Elton Gallegly quoted Bush as saying- '''If we get into a shooting war with Saddam, he's going to get his butt kicked.''' Gallegly says Bush made the remark Thursday during a meeting at the White House with congressmen who had just returned from a trip to Saudi Arabia. Asked later if he had made the remark, Bush looked somewhat uncomfortable and declined to reply. But his top aides erupted in laughter.

Israeli officials say a U-N resolution deploring Israel's decision to deport Palestinians is biased and unbalanced. A government spokesman said- quote- ''We express regret over the adoption of the resolution which lacks any balance and ignores the facts on the ground.'' Israel's Foreign Ministry says it is dissatisfied by the ''one-sided decision'' and won't help the peace process.

The White House isn't commenting on House panel's report that blasts the Bush administration's Andean drug strategy as a flop. The House Government Operations Committee issued a scathing report Thursday criticizing the administration's overall anti-drug strategy in Colombia, Bolivia and Peru. It said the strategy was ineffective, misguided and dangerous... and suggested it be redirected.

Providence, Rhode Island, Mayor Vincent Cianci Junior is being allowed to return to his job, despite the criminal record he earned for assaulting his wife's reputed lover. The state Supreme Court Thursday rejected arguments that Cianci's narrow victory in the November 6th election should be voided because of a 1986 amendment to the state constitution regarding convicted felons holding public office. The justices also said Cianci's challengers filed their objections too late.

The Missouri Supreme Court has rejected a request to reinsert the feeding tube for Nancy Cruzan, the comatose woman who's being allowed to die following a long court battle. It was the latest setback to activists opposed to the decision to let Cruzan die. Doctors say she would die within two weeks. A hospital spokeswoman in Mount Vernon says Cruzan's condition is still listed as ''deteriorating.'' Cruzan was left severely brain damaged in a 1983 auto accident.

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KATMANDU, Nepal (DEC. 21) UPI - The government agreed to consider wage increases for civil service workers Friday, ending a two-day strike that paralyzed the nation.

More than 136,000 workers, who have been on strike since Wednesday, returned to their jobs Friday following the agreement which was reached at 3 a.m. following a 12-hour negotiating session.

Two government ministers and six union officials agreed that workers would not walk off their jobs again while the government considered demands for wage increases.

The government earlier had said a weak economy made it impossible to meet the workers' demands.

In another concession to workers' demands, the interim government formed after a sucessful pro-democracy movement in February, said it would prosecute corrupt officials from the previous regime.

The strike had led to fears that multi-party elections scheduled for March and April would be delayed.

''The country, people and democracy will be the big losers if the conflict and confrontation between the government and civil servants is prolonged when general elections are just round the corner,'' said Secretary General Girij Aprasad Koirala of the Nepali Congress Party, a member of the coalition government.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 21) UPI - Members of the Congress of People's Deputies seized on resigning Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze's warning of an impending dictatorship Friday as a rallying point for reformers.

Leningrad Mayor Anatoly Sobchak, one of the leading reformers in the Congress, said he agreed with Shevardnadze's assessment and said if nothing is done to solve the economic and political crisis in the country a dictatorship could be just around the corner.

''I think that this warning is more than serious,'' Sobchak said.

He said if there was no quick agreement on economic ties between the republics and the distribution of state resources by the beginning of the year first dozens and then thousands of factories may close.

''Then all of us, democrats, radicals and conservatives, will have to go begging to the military and say to them 'come and rule us,''' Sobchak said.

Shevardnadze resigned Thursday to protest attacks on him and the government by conservative forces he warned are seeking a dictatorship.

The foreign minister made his dramatic announcement at a time when Gorbachev is seeking expanded powers as part of a government overhaul he says is needed to stave off economic and political disaster, but Shevardnadze made it clear he was not referring to Gorbachev in his warnings of dictatorship.

Sobchak said unspecified forces were campaigning to discredit democratic reformers and ''the very choice of democratic rule'' in the country - saying the 25 percent turnout for recent elections to remaining seats on the Leningrad city council was a sign the campaign was working.

''Just think, if this is so there only remains a dictatorship,'' he said. ''The names of that dictatorship may be various, but it will have one common element, nomenclatura (the system by which the Communist Party controls all power).''

Before the fifth day of the Congress began, Sobchak told reporters Shevardnadze's resignation to protest the backlash of conservative forces was ''a very brave thing.''

''We are indeed moving toward a dictatorship,'' he said. ''In two to three months we will have to turn to the military to do everything. Because now nobody is doing anything.''

Vitaly Chelyshev, a leader of the so-called inter-regional group of reformist deputies, called on all members of the Congress who are boycotting the session for various reasons to return in order to fight the conservatives.

Delegations from Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Georgia, Armenia and Moldavia are staging total or partial boycotts of the fourth session of the Congress, mainly for nationalist reasons because they consider their republics separate from the Soviet Union.

''We share the fears of Eduard Shevardnadze,'' Chelyshev said. ''We are calling on all democratic forces to unite and we call on all the deputies who left the hall to return.''

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#90355u0248 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 21) UPI - President Bush told a group of congressmen Thursday that the best way to avoid war with Iraq is for Saddam Hussein to realize he is- in Bush's words ''going to get his butt kicked'' in an armed confrontation.

The United Nations Security Council has unanimously adopted a resolution deploring Israel's decision to deport Palestinians. The resolution called for a meeting of the Geneva convention to draw up measures to protect inhabitants in Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza strip.

This is the second anniversary of the terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland. U-S and British officials say ''substantial progress'' has been made toward solving the case.

Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis left office Thursday night with a speech before a packed House chamber in Boston. The 1988 Democratic presidential nominee issued a warning that America has grown economically ''soft and flabby.''

Thousands of Panamanians dressed in black and shouted anti-American slogans as they marched through Panama City Thursday to mark the first anniversary of the U-S invasion that ousted former dictator Manuel Noriega.

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#90355u0266 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (DEC. 21) UPI - An explosion shattered the facade of a downtown office building in the southern town of Queenstown early Friday

but caused no casualties, police said.

No one claimed responsibility for the blast.

The mine detonated in front of the Old Mutual Insurance building at 5:15 a.m., a police spokesman said, smashing more than 150 of its windows, ''taking chunks out of the walls'' with shrapnel, and breaking glass in a nearby shop.

Officers later discovered another ''explosive device'' nearby and blew it up in a controlled explosion at the scene, the spokesman said.

Police declined to speculate on a motive for the bombing or the identity of the attackers.

''There are a number of organizations which could be responsible, both radical white and racical black,'' the spokesman noted.

President Frederik de Klerk's racial reforms, launched in February, have outraged shadowy right wing white groups and prompted them to carry out periodic urban bombings.

Among black groups, the militantly anti-apartheid Pan Africanist Congress, dissatisfied with the pace of reform, has vowed to step up its guerrilla war on white minority rule and has claimed responsibility for attacks on police and other targets.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... U-P-I brings the latest news.

British Prime Minister John Major opens a two-day visit to the United States today. Major is expected to meet President Bush for the first time as leader of Britain. The brief, pre-Christmas visit is seen as an opportunity for the two leaders to get acquainted. The two men do not know each other well.

Japan's finance minister today expressed concern over the impact of Soviet Foreign Minister Shevardnadze's resignation. The minister says it has added to ''uncertainties'' over the Persian Gulf crisis. He added that he's watching closely how it will affect world financial markets.

The Air Force has grounded its fleet of BB strategic bombers because of engine problems. Officials say the move follows an incident similar to one in which an engine dropped out of a bomber in flight. A BB on a training flight early Wednesday was making practice approaches at Dyess Air Force Base, Texas, when a fire broke out in the right inboard engine.

A former general is raising questions about whether the Air Force's Lockheed CB transport planes are safe to fly. Retired Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence Welborn says the Air Force failed to fully inspect potentially defective structures in some of the planes... despite orders from Congress. The planes are currently ferrying troops and equipment to Saudi Arabia.

Residents of Guam are bracing for Typhoon Ross. The storm's lead winds bore down on the Pacific island territory with 75-mile an hour gusts. But the eye of the 500-mile-wide storm... packing sustained winds of 145 miles an hour... is expected to pass over the island at about midday before swinging to the northwest.

Federal officials say the nation's blood donor supply appears relatively safe from two cousins of the AIDS virus. The federal Centers for Disease Control says only a very small fraction of blood samples tested for the viruses produced positive results. One can cause leukemia and a type of degenerative nerve disorder.

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#90355u0401 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 21) UPI - A Philadelphia Quaker organization must garnish the wages of its employees who fail to pay income tax for religious reasons, a judge has ruled.

But U.S. District Judge Norma Shapiro also said Thursday the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends cannot be penalized for failing to honor the levies imposed by the Internal Revenue Service.

The ruling came in the wake of the refusal by Friends' employees, William Grassie and David Falls and Falls' wife, Sabrina, to pay their federal income taxes.

Grassie and Falls refused to pay the full amount because part of the money would go to the military, and that would be in violation of their religious anti-war beliefs.

The Friends, while not a war register, cited the deep religious beliefs of Falls and Grassie and said its policy was not ''to coerce or violate the consciences of such persons, or to act as agents for those who do.''

The IRS challenged the refusal to pay, saying the Quaker organization was responsible for seeing that the federal agency got its money.

Shapiro, citing a Supreme Court decision earlier this year in Employment Division v. Smith, said she had no choice but to order the Friends to honor the levies.

In Smith, a drug rehabilitation organization fired two employees after they ingested a hallucinogenic drug, peyote, as part of a Native American religious ceremony.

The state of Oregon refused to give them unemployment benefits because they were fired for misconduct.

The Supreme Court ruled that since the ingestion of the drug, peyote, was a crime in Oregon, ''the right of free exercise does not relieve an individual of the obligation to comply with a valid and neutral law of general applicability on the ground that the law proscribes (or prescribes) conduct that his religion prescribes (or proscribes).

Shapiro said she did not impose a fine on the Friends, as urged by the IRS, because the Smith case had not been decided at the time the organization refused to comply with the IRS.

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#90355u0418 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

LOCKERBIE, Scotland (DEC. 21) UPI - Aimee Guthrie turned 2 Friday. Her birthday is hard for Lockerbie to forget: She was born 12 minutes after Pan Am Flight 103 blew up in an explosion that sent fire and steel raining onto her hometown.

Aimee came into the world at 7:15 p.m. Dec. 21, 1988, minutes after the New York-bound jumbo jet was blown to pieces by a bomb, killing 270 people - including all 259 people aboard and 11 residents on the ground.

The infant's birth is etched in the townspeople's memory as a happy local event in a night of horror.

No formal services were held in Lockerbie Friday to mark the anniversary of the bombing of Flight 103, which officially remains unsolved.

As the smiling little girl decorated her Christmas tree, her mother Elizabeth, 28, said Aimee's birthday marks a date that haunts the town.

''They all remember the date because it's the anniversary of the disaster,'' she said. ''It's not easy to celebrate on such on occasion. and we're not doing anything special for Aimee's birthday. It might be different when she gets a bit older.''

Aimee's father Wallace, a hotel manager, celebrates his 30th birthday Christmas Day.

When the remains of the Boeing 747 crashed into Lockerbie, Aimee's parents were at Cresswell Maternity Hospital in the town of Dumfries 12 miles away. It

was there they heard about the disaster, and waited in apprehension for word on their relatives. Eventually, they learned their kin emerged unscathed.

In Lockerbie, observance Friday of the disaster was low key.

''There are some American relatives in town, but they will just be getting together quietly,'' said Robert Riddet, community council chairman. A total of 155 Americans were killed in the bombing.

Some friends and relatives planned to meet at the small room of remembrance at Tundergarth on the outskirts of town, where the shattered aircraft's nose fell. Others said they would visit churches and place flowers on memorials to the dead.

The town itself has returned to normal, at least outwardly, since the explosion. A residential section where the plane's fuel-laden wings wrecked 28 houses has been rebuilt, and residents are settled in.

But the spot where an explosion of fuel blew a huge crater into the ground and sent a fireball into the night sky has been left a grassy open space - a quiet reminder of Lockerbie's longest night.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sn	37	20	.08
Anchorage cy	30	20	.01
Asheville cy	57	49	.19
Atlanta cy	52	49	.61
Baltimore r	48	48	.06
Billings snsh	--15	-25	.05
Birmingham mc	64	57	.21
Bismrck vrycld	--14	-30	.05
Boston r	50	45	....
Brownsville cy	85	48	....
Buffalo r	54	47	....
Burlington Vt. r	45	44	....
Charlestn S.C. cy	68	60	....
Charlotte cy	56	50	.96
Chicago r	41	20	....
Cincinnati r	61	51	.05
Cleveland r	57	49	.02
Columbus Ohio r	58	49	....
Dallas cy	32	12	....
Denver sn	--06	-20	.05

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Detroit r	50	44	....
Duluth sn	05	-02	.17
El Paso pc	53	31	....
Evansville r	65	47	.01
Fargo vrycld	--16	-22	.04
Hartford r	45	43	....
Honolulu sh	82	68	.33
Houston cy	78	34	....
Indianapolis r	58	48	.02
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Jacksonville fy	75	61	....
Kansas City sn	17	00	.03
Las Vegas pc	34	20	....
Little Rock ts	65	29	.17
Los Angeles sy	56	38	....
Louisville r	66	48	.11
Memphis sh	7	38	1.00
Miami Beach pc	83	73	....
Milwaukee sn	39	21	....
Minneapolis sn	06	05	.15
Nashville sh	68	51	.31
New Orleans cy	78	65	....
New York r	54	50	....
Oklahom Cty cld	10	-01	.02
Omaha sn	--02	-13	.03.
Orlando sy	84	65	....
Philadelphia r	52	50	....
Phoenix mc	47	31	.02
Pittsburgh r	56	48	.16
Portland Me. r	40	38	....
Portland Or. cld	23	13	....
Providence r	50	45	....
Richmond r	51	51	.60.
St. Louis sh	37	16	.31
Salt Lake Cty cld	11	-04	.02
San Antonio cy	71	30	....
San Diego sh	55	39	.18
San Francisc sy	55	39	.18
San Juan pc	83	72	.02
Seattle sy	26	18	....
Spokane vrycld	08	-05	....
Tampa sy	86	67	....
Washington r	50	50	.03
Wichita sn	03	-08	.02

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cl-clearing

cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sh-showers
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Friday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Dec. 20: Purchases of 387,321 shares and sales of 699,792 shares including 28,591 shares sold short.

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#90355u0458 12/21/1990 ~United Press International
MOSCOW (DEC. 21) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze met for two hours Friday to discuss Shevardnadze's announced resignation and its effect on foreign policy.

Few details of the meeting were released. Presidential spokesman Vitaly Ignatenko said the discussion was ''businesslike and detailed'' - terms often used to describe tense diplomatic meetings.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Vitaly Churkin said Shevardnadze was continuing to work in his Foreign Ministry office, but there was no indication he was considering withdrawing Thursday's dramatic resignation.

Georgi Shakhnazarov, a top Gorbachev aide, told reporters outside the Congress of People's Deputies Friday, however, that he was ''sure Eduard Shevardnadze will stay in Gorbachev's team.'' He did not elaborate.

Churkin said there had been no decision on a replacement for Shevardnadze, and dismissed a question about one widely mentioned candidate, Gorbachev adviser and Foreign Ministry Arab specialist Yevgeni Primakov, as ''speculation and guesswork.''

Ignatenko said Gorbachev and Shevardnadze discussed the gulf crisis, the strategic arms treaty that is in final stages of preparations, and ongoing talks about conventional arms.

''It was a discussion that is normally held between a president and his foreign minister,'' Ignatenko said.

Both spokesmen stressed that Soviet foreign policy was unlikely to change drastically or rapidly because of Shevardnadze's announced resignation.

''The foreign policy does not change in one minute,'' Ignatenko said.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange closed lower Friday in sparse, nervous trading that was driven largely by currency movements and rumors about the Persian Gulf crisis.

The key Nikkei Average of 225 selected stocks dropped 405.34 points - or 1.7 percent - to 24,119.60. The Nikkei slipped 351.84 points Thursday.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares, which shed 26.04 points Thursday, lost an another 30.55 points to 1,764.82.

Volume slipped to an estimated 350 million shares, down from 393 million Thursday.

Declines overpowered advances 864 to 136, while 114 issues remained unchanged.

Monday will be a holiday for Tokyo's financial markets in observance of Emperor Akihito's birthday Sunday.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices ended mixed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in thin trading reflecting the usual yearend market slump.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index gained 1.46 points to 3,079.67. The gain followed a 5-point loss Thursday.

Among the narrower indexes, financials slipped 1.91 points, utilities climbed 25.58, properties rose 1.98 and industrials lost 9.32 points.

Turnover was a thin 553 million shares, below Thursday's 587 million.

In Singapore, stocks slumped in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange on Shevardnadze's resignation.

The Straits Times Industrial Index fell 4.29 points to 1,173.35. The All

Singapore Index slipped 0.60 points to 322.82.

Turnover amounted to 28.4 million shares.

In Australia, stock prices closed lower on the Sydney Sharemarket in light trading.

The All Ordinaries Index slipped 4.4 points to 1,272.2. The All Resources Index fell 2.1 points to 760.3 and the All Industrials Index lost 7.5 points to 1,936.3.

Declines outpaced advances 116 to 85, while 173 stocks remained unchanged.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - Japan's finance minister expressed concern today over the effect that Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze's resignation will have on the Persian Gulf crisis and European financial markets.

Italy's foreign minister, who is also president of the European Community, says he likely will meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. E-C ministers decided to put off the meeting until Aziz met in Washington with President Bush.

An earthquake measuring six-point-one on the Richter scale shook northern Greece this morning and there are UNconfirmed reports of damage and injuries.The quake struck in the early morning hours about 50 miles north of Athens.

A former general says despite orders from Congress, the Air Force failed to fully inspect potentially defective structures in some of Lockheed's CB transport planes. The planes currently are ferrying troops and equipment to Saudi Arabia.

Fall is going out with winter-like temperatures in much of the nation. It was well below zero in the West and temperatures were due to drop off drastically later today in the Midwest. Winter officially arrives tonight.

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RAMSTEIN, GERMANY (DEC. 21) UPI - Mechanical failure caused the August crash of a U.S. Air Force Galaxy transport plane, killing 13 troops heading for Saudi Arabia, the Air Force said Friday.

The Air Force statement, summing up the findings of investigators, said that one of the 300-ton Galaxy's engines switched itself into reverse on takeoff,

throwing the aircraft into a deadly spin.

The plane crashed several yards from the runway, killing 13 people who were aboard the aircraft.

Four soldiers survived the Aug. 29 crash of the transport plane, which was carrying reservists and equipment to Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Shield.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - President Bush prepared for an extended yuletide sojourn at Camp David Friday, highlighted by a dinner meeting with British Prime Minister John Major and a review of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Major arrived in Washington Thursday and planned to fly with Bush by helicopter Friday afternoon to the western Maryland mountain retreat for an overnight stay.

It was the president's first get-together with the successor to staunch ally Margaret Thatcher. But administration officials were confident Bush and Major are on the same wave length and Major will follow in the footsteps of Thatcher his mentor who promoted his political career.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said the struggle to oust Iraq from Kuwait under the U.N.-imposed Jan. 15 deadline; the international impact of Eduward Shevardnadze's resignation as Soviet Foreign Minister; and efforts to revive the collapsed General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) were high on the agenda of their talks at Camp David.

Following Major's Saturday morning departure, Bush and Mrs. Bush move into a holiday mode with family converging for a traditional celebration of Christmas.

As his calendar now stands, the president plans to remain at the rustic presidential hideaway until New Year's Day, but he could return to the White House for a day or so.

The count-down in the Persian Gulf to force Saddam Hussein to withdraw from neighboring Kuwait, which his forces invaded Aug. 2, caused Bush to forego his customary post-Christmas quail hunting trip to Beeville, Texas this year.

For the past two weeks, Bush and his wife have hosted a series of daily Christmas parties, sharing the White House holiday splendor and shaking hands with thousands of guests.

At the same time, the president has kept a heavy focus on ''consultations'' this past week with congressional delegations that visited U.S. troops in

SaudiArabia, and business and other groups to bolster support for his policies including the threat of military action in the gulf.

White House chief of staff John Sununu told reporters that Bush will have a full plate to ponder before ringing in the new year.

He wants to take a little more time to find a replacement for William Bennett, who resigned from his short-lived appointment as chairman of the Republican National Committee because of the need to fulfill a book writing contract and other conflicts.

''People will be going up to brief him (Bush),'' Sununu said. ''It's a quiet period of time in the country...I'll be there for a couple of days. But he may come back here for a day. He may have people up there for a day.'' There will be work ''even if he's doing it in a much more relaxed atmosphere.''

Fitzwater said present plans call for Bush to stay at Camp David.

''I think all his children will be there for Christmas,'' he said. ''There are no meetings scheduled at this time. He will have his daily intelligence briefings and get a telephone briefing'' from national security affairs adviser Brent Scowcroft and Sununu. ''But beyond that, it's all ad hoc, whatever he wants. I'm sure he'll be calling people.''

White House aides, meantime, are gathering ideas for the president's State of the Union address to be delivered on Jan. 29. He also is working on the next federal budget.

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ATHENS, GREECE (DEC. 21) UPI - A strong earthquake hit northern Greece early Friday, killing a woman whose house collapsed and injuring at least 60 people, including a boy whose Christmas tree fell on him, authorities said.

The Athens Geodynamic Institute said the quake measured 5.5 on the open-ended Richter scale and struck northern Greece at 8:57 a.m. The epicenter was in the Goumenia district, near Kilkis, some 190 miles north of Athens.

The U.S. Geological Survey in Golden, Colo., said the quake measured 6.1 on the Richter scale and occurred about 30 miles northwest of Thessaloniki.

The quake was also felt in neighboring Bulgaria, the semi-official Athens News Agency said.

Police said Anastasia Deliou, 68, was fatally injured when her house collapsed in central Macedonia.

Other houses in the region were damaged and at least 60 people were reported injured, five seriously, police said.

An 18-year-old was injured when he panicked and jumped from the balcony of his first-floor apartment.

A 4-year-old boy suffered serious head injuries when a Christmas tree in his home toppled in the tremor and struck him.

President Constantine Karamanlis, on Christmas holiday in the Halkidis region, telephoned the Thessaloniki Observatory in northern Greece and asked to be kept informed of developments.

The quake was the strongest to hit northern Greece since a temblor measuring 6.4 on the Richter scale struck the same area June 20, 1978, the U.S. Geological Survey said.

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KNOLLWOOD, IL (DEC. 21) UPI - Fred Washington, a rookie defensive tackle for the Chicago Bears, was killed early Friday when his car struck a tree in a suburb north of Chicago, the team said.

Washington, 23, Lake Bluff, and a woman died on impact in the accident just south of Route 176 on Waukegan Road, said Bryan Harlan, the Bears public relations director. The woman in the car was not immediately identified.

Washington, a native of Denison, Texas, who lived in Lake Bluff, Ill. , was a second-round draft pick out of Texas Christian. The 6-foot-2, 277-pounder was scheduled to play in Sunday's game against Tampa Bay.

''He was a good prospect,'' Bears Coach Mike Ditka said.

Harlan described Washington as ''quiet, like most rookies.''

''He was very popular with his teammates,'' Harlan said.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - Scrooge-like Christmas shoppers, wary of recession and war, failed to meet the meager holiday-season expectations of the nation's merchants, capping a miserable 1990 for the retail industry.

From discount retailers such as Ames Department Stores Inc. to general merchandisers such as Sears, Roebuck & Co. to upscale department-store chains such as R.H. Macy & Co., the year was tumultuous and disappointing.

Hoping to loosen the purse strings of penny-pinching consumers during the holiday season - when most retailers ring up 50 percent of their sales and 40 percent of their profits - merchants turned to widespread markdowns.

Sale prices of as much as 70 percent off abounded days before Christmas, making holiday shopping feel more like day-after-Christmas clearance sales.

''What we have is a very sluggish sales scenario suggesting a big squeeze on profits for retailers this Christmas,'' said Janet Mangano, an analyst at Jesup, Josephthal & Co. in New York. ''If there is a pickup in sales, we're suspicious of how retailers are getting them: promotions means pressure on profits.''

The year began on an ominous note with the January bankruptcy filings of retail giants Federated Department Stores Inc. and Allied Stores Corp. that together operate 10 prestigious department store chains.

Their Chapter 11 petitions, which allowed Cincinnati-based Federated and Allied to continue operating while restructuring massive debt loads, came after weeks of uncertainty for the two U.S. retail divisions of Toronto's Campeau Corp.

Crippled by an inability to meet interest obligations on a combined $7 billion debt - the result of Campeau's leveraged buyouts of Federated for $6.6 billion in 1988 and Allied for $3.6 billion in 1987 - stores such as Bloomingdale's, Abraham & Straus, Jordan Marsh and Burdine's were so cash poor that many suppliers were afraid to ship to them.

Analysts said Federated and Allied, still operating under protection from creditors, have been hurt by an economy that weakened as the year wore on. But while sales have been below projections, operating cash flows - generally considered the most critical line on the balance sheet while Federated and Allied are in Chapter 11 - have been on target.

''What they have going for them is that they assumed a recession,'' said Mangano.

More conservative outlooks could have staved off much of what currently ails the retail industry, observers said.

Like many others, retailers were swept up in the takeover mania that punctuated the 1980s, and 1990 was the year that retailers began paying for their excesses.

Ames was forced to file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in June. Analysts attributed the discount chain's financial woes to its $778 million acquisition of Zayre Stores in 1988.

Stephen Pistner, a turnaround specialist who was named chief executive officer of Rocky Hill, Conn.-based Ames after the bankruptcy filing, immediately closed 221 stores in five states and laid off 17,500 of the company's 55,000 workers.

Ames grew to a $5 billion retailing empire after its acquisition of Zayre, but found it could not meet debt obligations and operational expenses.

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TOKYO (DEC. 21) UPI - Masashi Kojima, president of Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp., expressed confidence Friday the company will remain profitable for years to come despite growing competition from newcomers on the domestic market.

''NTT will have to go through difficult years in terms of financial performance for the next few years because of serious competition from newcomers. They are becoming stronger and stronger,'' he told foreign correspondents.

Kojima, who became president of the giant domestic telecommunications company this year, said the company wishes to maintain its annual profits at $3.1 billion.

''If our profits fall below that level, I don't think our company is profitable,'' he said.

Kojima said NTT will try to strengthen its competitiveness by consolidating its nationwide network although it will require a huge amount of investment.

NTT, a former domestic monopoly, was privatized in April 1985 in line with the government's policy of liberalizing the telecommunications market. It faces competition from two rivals created following the market liberalization.

Kojima also said the government is expected to soon allow foreign investors to invest in NTT.

A governmental advisory panel, which is scheduled to meet early next year, is expected to come up with a recommendation allowing foreign investment in NTT, he said.

''The advisory council is scheduled to meet early next year, and I strongly hope that the council will come up with a decision to allow foreign acquisition of NTT stock,'' Kojima said, adding: ''NTT should be opened to foreign investors in this borderless age.''

Kojima welcomed the Finance Ministry's decision to sell an additional 500,000 NTT shares over the next five-year period, saying ''investors were relieved of the decision.''

He added, however, it remains to be seen whether the ministry's decision will help boost the NTT stock price, which has been hit by the current stock market slump.

Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto, however, said ''sales of NTT shares will hardly have an adverse impact on the market. I hope the measure will boost the attractiveness of NTT stock.''

The ministry said it will release up to 2.5 million shares of NTT stock held by the ministry over a five-year period, starting in fiscal 1991.

The ministry earlier sold 5.4 million shares in three installments.

Kojima said the government has paved the way for NTT to issue new shares but ''I have no immediately plan to increase our shares in view of the current market slump.''

NTT reported its operating revenue for the six months ended Sept. 30 gained 3.0 percent over a year ago to $21 billion.

Operating income fell 12.8 percent to $1.85 billion, but the company said it has revised upward its operating income for the year ending next March 31 to $3.24 billion from the previous estimate of $2.97 billion as a result of intensive efforts to increase operational efficiency and profitability.

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MOUNT VERNON, MO. (DEC. 21) UPI - A reverend went to court Friday to force hospital officials to reconnect the feeding tube that was taken out of Nancy Cruzan a week ago by her parents, who want to let her die after almost eight years in a vegetative stage.

U.S. District Judge Dean Whipple in Kansas City scheduled a hearing on the suit filed late Thursday by the Rev. Patrick Mahoney, director of the Center for Christian Activism in Boca Raton, Fla.

Mahoney's suit asks Whipple to issue an immediate injunction against last Friday's order by Jasper County Probate Judge Charles Teel Jr., who ruled Cruzan's parents could remove the feeding tube that has kept her alive in a persistent vegetative state since a 1983 car accident.

In his suit, Mahoney alleges Cruzan's constitutional rights are being denied because food and water are being withheld from her. The suit also charges

Cruzan never was represented properly in last month's hearing before Teel because no attorney argued in her defense or cross-examined the witnesses whose testimony apparently convinced Teel to order the tube disconnected.

Named as defendants in the suit are the Missouri Rehabilitation Center in Mount Vernon, where Cruzan is a patient; its director, Donald Lamkins; Gov. John Ashcroft and Attorney General William Webster.

''We have got to fight to the very end for Nancy Cruzan's life,'' Mahoney said in a statement issued late Thursday. ''In a civilized society, it is never acceptable for us to starve an innocent person to death.''

Also Thursday, Gary Tebbets of Kansas City and Gary Rickman of Kansas City, Kan., filed a petition with the Missouri Supreme Court to restore food and water to Cruzan. Their petition, which had been rejected Tuesday by the state Court of Appeals in Springfield, contends Cruzan is being deprived of her right to life without due process of law.

A Supreme Court spokeswoman said the court had not yet said whether it planned to hear the suit.

Webster was criticized by Randall Terry, the founder of Operation Rescue of Binghamton, N.Y., who is in Mount Vernon in an attempt to persuade hospital officials or Cruzan's parents, Joyce and Lester ''Joe'' Cruzan of Carterville, to resume feeding the brain-damaged woman.

Doctors have said Cruzan, 33, would die within two weeks of the tube being removed. It was removed early last Saturday after Teel's ruling. Her condition was listed Friday as ''deteriorating.''

The Missouri Supreme Court refused Thursday to order hospital officials to resume feeding Cruzan. The state's highest court issued a two-sentence order denying a petition by Yvette Williams of Kansas City that asked it to order the feeding to be reconnected.

Williams, who works at the Johnson County, Kan., Mental Retardation Center, then took her suit to the Missouri Court of Appeals at Springfield, which also denied the request.

About 20 protesters remained outside the hospital Friday, hospital officials said. The doors to the hospital have been locked since Wednesday because some protesters entered the facility, blocked hallways and had to be carried out by security guards and police. Some of the protesters also tried to reach Cruzan's room but were stopped.

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MIAMI (DEC. 21) UPI - The nation's airline industry, battered by higher fuel prices and a softening economy, is headed for more turbulence in 1991, but predictions of a possible shakeout may be overblown, several analysts say.

''There may be some consolidation, but then again there may not be as much as some people think,'' said Mark Daugherty of Dean Witter Reynolds in New York.

The outlook for the weaker U.S. carriers and the industry in general depends in large part on the price of oil and the length and depth of the current economic downturn, analysts said.

''There are a lot of wild cards out there for 1991,'' Daugherty said.

Industry losses for 1990 are expected to reach or exceed $1.5 billion, with most of that coming in the fourth quarter. The deficit for all of 1991 could rival that record annual loss for the industry, according to at least one analyst.

''If crude oil prices continue at a very high level throughout 1991 and we are indeed in a recession, then we see the possibility of a repeat of that $1.5 billion loss,'' said Lee Howard, chief executive officer of Airline Economics Inc., a consulting firm in Washington.

''I also think we'll see virtually a windup of the consolidation process that's been taking place over the last seven or eight years,'' he added.

Howard said he expects to see more asset sales, perhaps some mergers and - possibly - some outright failures among the nation's major carriers.

''Within the next year to 18 months, I think you'll see the industry largely composed of five or six carriers, which means several will be out of the picture,'' he said.

Although Howard declined to name the carriers he believes won't survive, analysts in general consider Pan American World Airways, Trans World Airlines, Continental Airlines and Eastern Airlines among the most troubled.

Some believe it may be too soon to write off any airline, however.

''The conventional wisdom appears to be there will be some more carriers gone by the end of next year. I think that is not a given,'' said Hans Plickert, an airline analyst with the Transportation Group in New York.

Fuel prices could fall and the economy could snap back, providing some relief for troubled carriers, Plickert said. ''1991 could turn out to be a much better year than is presently expected,'' he said.

Plickert also noted that the nation's troubled airlines have taken steps to

bolster their finances.

''The weaker carriers without exception are in the process of raising significant amounts of cash,'' he said. ''If, in fact, their attempts are successful ... it will permit them significant amounts of breathing room.''

In recent months, Pan Am agreed to sell its London routes and other assets to United Airlines for $400 million, a bankruptcy court judge granted Eastern access to $135 million raised through previous asset sales, and Midway Airlines sold its Philadelphia assets to USAir for about $65 million.

Continental, which filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on Dec. 3, agreed to sell its Seattle-Tokyo route to American Airlines for $150 million, and American agreed to buy TWA's London routes for $445 million.

''The structure of the industry is changing. Pan Am and TWA ... will become very different carriers from what they are today,'' Plickert said. ''But that doesn't mean they will disappear.''

Likewise, Plickert is unwilling to write off Eastern, even though its unsecured creditors have called for its liquidation. Eastern's first- class fare program is ''a legitimate strategy for survival,'' he said. ''Whether it will be successful at this point remains to be seen.''

Nevertheless, Plickert said the fate of at least some financially strapped carriers will depend on the price of jet fuel.

''The real critical factor is what is going to happen to fuel prices, '' he said. ''I don't think at $1 a gallon, the staying power of some carriers is unlimited.''

In recent weeks, the price of jet fuel has fallen to about 80 cents a gallon, said Tim Neale, a spokesman for the Air Transport Association in Washington.

Although the price still is about 20 cents higher than before Iraq seized Kuwait on Aug. 2, it is well below the peak of $1.40 a gallon reached in mid-October, Neale said. Every penny increase in the price of jet fuel pushes up the industry's annual operating costs by $150 million, he said.

Lower fuel prices do not guarantee smooth skies for the industry, however.

''Fuel prices are just one factor,'' observed Paul Turk, an analyst with Avmark Inc. in Arlington, Va.

''The major factor is the downturn of the economy,'' which lowers the demand for airline seats, prompts fare cutting and drives up losses, he said.

''We have a great deal of overcapacity in the system. You can deal with

capacity in a couple of ways. You can park airplanes, and that seems to be going on to a certain extent. Or you can cut fares, and that is going on to a great extent,'' Turk said. ''It is going to mean more losses for the airlines, and it will mean lots more consolidation.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - Britain's new Prime Minister John Major, in Washington for a round of meetings with U.S. officials, voiced strong backing for allied policy in the Persian Gulf Friday and said a partial Iraqi pullout from Kuwait would not be acceptable.

Major, who just three weeks ago succeeded Margaret Thatcher as prime minister, was scheduled to meet with Secretary of State James Baker, Vice President Dan Quayle, congressional leaders and then travel to Camp David with President Bush.

In a series of early morning television interviews, Major was firm in saying Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein must pull his forces out of Kuwait completely in order to avoid war.

The U.N. Security Council resolutions ''are entirely clear ... He really has to get out. There's no compromise on that point. If there's not to be a conflict it's in Saddam Hussein's hands,'' Major said on Cable News Network.

''He can withdraw and he can withdraw fully and speedily from Kuwait. That's a matter for him. If he doesn't the international community has made it perfectly clear that they will expel him.''

Major said ''there's no question of negotiations with Iraq ... There's nothing whatsoever to negotiate about.''

He said Saddam may try to ''play games'' to evade the U.N. order, but that will not work.

''A complete withdrawal is necessary and a partial withdrawal won't do. Saddam Hussein should be in no doubt about that. From the United Kingdom's point of view a partial withdrawal is not good enough,'' Major told NBC News.

He said if Saddam is not forced to withdraw ''others in the world may think they can act in the same way toward weaker nations. So there's a very clear interest in the international community to make sure he gains absolutely nothing from the way he's behaved.''

Major expressed concern about the surprise resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze. He said it was important to know who will replace Shevardnadze ''and whether the policy will continue unchanged. Early

signs are that it will continue unchanged and that's very welcome.''

He said Shevardnadze ''has shown himself in recent years to be a very good friend of peace, both in the East and the West, and I think he'll have a remarkable place in history as a result of that.''

The prime minister expressed hope the resignation will not interfere with arms treaties that have been reached or are being negotiated with the West.

''I would have thought that Mr. Gorbachev was so centrally committed to those that he would be very keen to see them continue and to drive them through. I think that is in everyone's interest.''

Major indicated his own government will not differ greatly from that of Thatcher, in whose administration he served for several years.

''I don't think there is going to be a great deal of difference in substance ... I think the direction of policy was right, but we will build on that policy. Of corse it will change and evolve, and it would have changed and evolved if Margaret Thatcher had stayed there ... But on substance and objectives I think you'll find it will be strikingly similar.''

Major appeared confident the United States and the European community will reach a trade agreement despite the recent collaps of negotiations over the issue of farm products. ''I very much regret the fact that the GATT talks broke down, but they're going to reassemble. I don't think the breakdown was fatal.''

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OSHKOSH, WIS. (DEC. 21) UPI - A 29-year-old man says he is relieved that officials have dropped charges accusing him of sexually assaulted a mentally ill woman who reportedly has 46 different personalities.

''I'm not ready to say anything yet. I'm letting things just cool off,'' Mark A. Peterson, 29, said Thursday. ''I'm just relieved the case is closed and now I've got to sort things out and get a job.''

Peterson had been convicted Nov. 8 of having sex in a park with a 27- year-old woman identified only as Sarah. Peterson allegedly convinced one of the woman's multiple personalities to have sex but she was upset about it later.

The judge in the case lifted the conviction this week, saying he had erred by not allowing the defense to question all witnesses. Prosecutors then asked that the charges be dropped because they did not want to put Sarah through the ordeal of another trial.

Peterson, an unemployed grocery bagger, said he and his wife are still together and his main concern now is getting a job. He said his job search has been ''very slow'' but he is ''hoping maybe God will help me find something.''

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BRUSSELS (DEC. 21) UPI - The consumer price index for the 12-nation European Community remained unchanged from October to November, causing inflation on an annual basis to drop below six percent, the EC statistical office Eurostat said Friday.

The fall of oil product prices in November caused the consumer price index to decline in Belgium by 0.4 percent; in Germany, France and Britain by 0.2 percent, and in Denmark and Spain by 0.1 percent, Eurostat said.

In the Netherlands, the CPI remained unchanged. Some countries recorded increases in the index: Luxembourg, 0.5 percent; Italy, 0.6 percent; Portugal, 0.7 percent, and Greece 1.4 percent. In Ireland, where the consumer price index is published quarterly, a 0.6 percent increase was registered between mid-August and mid-November.

The fall of the CPI in several member states caused the annual inflation rate for the EC as a whole to drop from 6.3 percent in October to 5.9 percent in November.

In the 12 months to Nov. 1990, Denmark had the best performance with an inflation rate of 2.2 percent. Ireland had 2.7; the Netherlands 2.9; Germany 3.0; France 3.4; Belgium 4.0; Luxembourg 4.5; Spain 6.7; Italy 6.8; Britain 9.7; Portugal 14.1, and Greece 22.9 percent.

Eurostat said the figures showed that the disparity of inflation rates within the Community remained significant, the inflation in Greece being ten times higher than in Denmark and in Portugal five times higher than in Ireland.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $383.40, silver base of $4.17 and platinum price of $419.90:

	Friday	Thursday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$399.20	402.70
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	204.80	206.00
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.20	106.00
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.40	43.80
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	399.20	402.70

Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	204.80	206.00
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.70	106.60
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.40	43.80
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	405.60	409.20
China Panda .50 troy oz.	209.00	210.30
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.40	109.30
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.80	47.30
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.00	28.20
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	399.30	403.10
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	204.00	206.00
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.10	104.10
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.40	43.30
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	397.80	401.90
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	205.90	208.00
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.70	106.70
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	44.80	45.40
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	397.60	401.80
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	204.50	206.60
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.70	88.60
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	N.A.	N.A.
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.40	24.30
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.57	$5.64
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,120	$3,180
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,375	$1,400
Platinum		
Australian Koala	437.00	445.00
Isle of Man Noble	434.00	442.00
Canada Maple Leaf	N.A.	453.00

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 21) UPI - The federal government's investigation of corruption and mob ties in Chicago's 1st Ward apparently has been widened to examine the method by which judicial appointments are handled.

An FBI agent indicated investigators had enough information to indict reputed mobsters and their 1st Ward cohorts 25 years ago but could not use the

information then because there were no clear laws concerning electronic surveillance.

Chief Cook County Circuit Judge Harry Comerford said Friday FBI agents questioned him three weeks ago about procedures for filling associate judge posts. Judge Monica Reynolds, chairwoman of the committee that screens judicial canidates, also said two agents questioned her last month about how Bernard Spak, 63, gained a seat on the bench in Traffic Court.

Spak was recommended for the post by Pasquale Sorrentino, former chairman of the selection committee and former presiding judge of the Law Division.

Judge Robert Sklodowski of the Chancery Division said he also was questioned about Spak's selection last month.

A federal grand jury Wednesday indicted former Judge David Shields, 1st Ward Alderman Fred Roti, political power broker Pat Marcy, state Sen. John D'Arco Jr. and D'Arco's brother-in-law, Pat Frank DeLeo, on a variety of political corruption charges.

D'Arco, Roti and Marcy pleaded innocent to the charges Thursday.

Former FBI agent William F. Roemer Jr. said evidence comparable to that used to indict the five was developed between 1962 and 1965 but the government was unable to use it because there was no legislation to enable investigators to seek permission to bug suspects.

''We had reams and reams of information,'' Roemer said.

Roemer said the FBI had developed information on Marcy's alleged mob ties during the earlier investigation and that orders to Marcy came from the late mob boss Sam Giancana.

''I testified before the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations in 1983 that Pat Marcy is a made member - an actual member - of the Chicago mob '' said Roemer, a consultant to the Chicago Crime Commission.

''And they placed him in the headquarters of the 1st Ward Democratic Organization in order to further their interests. He was the conduit through which the orders of the mob were passed to those people on their pad - those politicians and judges, law enforcement people and labor leaders who were corrupted to get favorable treatment for the mob.''

Roemer said if the FBI had been able to use their information in the '60s, not only Marcy, but Giancanna, several other reputed mob figures and D'Arco's father, Democratic Committeeman John D'Arco Sr., would have been indicted.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - Regulators ended the first full year of their Herculean task of stemming the savings and loan industry's huge losses with praise and condemnation.

The thrift industry, meanwhile, continued to bleed red ink. By the end of the year's third quarter, thrifts not under government control lost $631.4 million.

And the cost of the government's thrift bailout effort, estimated originally at $166 billion over three years, skyrocketed to as much as $500 billion in little more than a year.

The sagging national economy, highlighted by extreme weakness in regional real estate markets, created an ''adverse environment'' for the thrift industry last year, said Timothy Ryan, director of the Office of Thrift Supervision.

''As long as the real estate slump continues, the thrift industry will have a tough time improving its performance,'' Ryan said.

While the government's bailout of the thrift industry slogged through the year industry regulators and executives examined the possibility of doing away with savings and loan associations altogether.

Bert Ely, president of Ely & Co., an Alexandria, Va., thrift industry consulting firm, believes the end is near for thrifts as a separately regulated industry.

''The time has come to meld bank and thrift regulation,'' Ely said. ''Thrifts will survive and will be regulated under the same ground rules as banks.''

Ely was among the thrift experts called by Ryan late in the year to discuss the future of the industry.

''I tried to tell it like it is,'' Ely recalled. ''I think it's downhill. I think it's a pretty serious environment out there. You've got regulators battering all of our institutions. It's not good news. More and more thrifts are having problems.''

But those inside the thrift industry say the picture painted by critics is deceiving.

''There is a very healthy core that is proving profitable,'' said James Grohl, a spokesman for the influential U.S. League of Savings Institutions, the thrift industry's leading lobbying organization.

''We have no question about the future of this industry,'' he said. ''There are always going to be people who need mortgages and want to buy homes.''

Still, Grohl sees more consolidation in the already shrinking number of savings and loans in the coming years.

Another aspect of the beleaguered thrift industry involves those institutions that have been taken over by the government. During the past year, the government has struggled against a number of odds to get its bailout effort on tract.

''They've got a tremendous job on their hands. Given market conditions, they probably are doing as best they can. It's just a massive assignment,'' said Grohl.

When President Bush signed into law legislation to rescue the thrift industry from its near collapse in August 1989, he created the Resolution Trust Corp. and gave it the responsiblity to manage and dispose of billions of dollars worth of assets from failed savings institutions.

After five months of start-up activity, the RTC grew into a formidable institution in 1990. But the agency was not immune to growing pains.

Since its inception, the RTC has taken over 493 insolvent thrifts and has sold or liquidated more than half. As of Sept. 30, the agency controlled 206 thrifts and had sold and collected assets valued at $110 billion, including about $17 billion worth of real estate.

There were enough false starts, particularly involving a long- promised real estate auction, to arm the agency's already well-stocked critics.

''The complaints about the operation of the RTC, the slow pace of asset sales, and the growing costs are numerous,'' said Rep. Henry Gonzalez, D-Texas, chairman of the House Banking Committee.

''I've tried to call the RTC and I can't get them to answer the phone. The RTC is the kiss of death to a sale,'' said Rep. Joseph Kennedy, D-Mass., at a recent hearing on RTC performance.

Charles Bowsher, head of the General Accounting Office, the investigatory arm of Congress, said it is too early to judge the agency.

''I don't think we have enough experience on their part to accurately assess their performance,'' he said, noting that the RTC is getting to the stage in its development where ''it should begin paying off.''

Officials of the RTC defend the agency's performance, saying their critics are too eager to rush to judgment.

''The job is not as simple as you'd sometimes believe,'' said David Cooke, the

RTC's executive director. ''It's awful easy to stand on the outside and say they don't know what they're doing.

''We feel we've accomplished a lot. We've staffed ourselves up and I feel we're 90 percent there.''

L. William Seidman, the chairman of the RTC and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., offered this assessment of the agency:

''I've never seen a group work harder at a more impossible task,'' he said. ''That's not to say the best job has been done. There are areas that could be improved. But any evaluation would have to be they have done a good job under trying circumstances.''

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TORONTO (DEC. 21) UPI - British Aerospace PLC is considering a rival bid for Boeing Co.'s de Havilland division, - currently the subject of sales talks - a financial newspaper reported Friday.

According to the Financial Post, British Aerospace wants to acquire de Havilland for its technology and later sell the facility to a French and Italian consortium, Avions de Transport Regional.

Boeing signed a letter of intent in July to directly sell de Havilland to the French and Italian companies who are partners in the consortium, Aerospatiale SA and Aeritalia SpA. Talks between the parties are ongoing, but no deal has yet been announced.

Union officials said British Aerospace is interested in studying de Havilland's short takeoff and landing technology and in incorporating it into its own commuter aircraft.

"There's no question British Aerospace is interested, but I don't know for what price or on what timetable," Bob White, president of the Canadian Auto Workers told the Post.

A Boeing spokesman at the giant aerospace company's headquarters in Seattle told the Post the company is not talking to British Aerospace, but the union said Britain's largest aircraft manufacturer sent two letters to Boeing expressing interest in de Havilland.

CAW Local 112 president Jerry Dias, who represents the de Havilland workers, said "we want the plant sold to the best bidder, what's best for the workers."

There are some 5,300 employees at de Havilland, with two CAW locals representing about 4,300 of the workers. Local 112 represents 3,600 aircraft

production workers. Union officials have raised the possibility that ATR might close de Havilland in order to eliminate a competitor in the commuter airliner market.

On Oct. 31, the union initiated a lawsuit against the Canadian government for breach of trust over the prospective sale of de Havilland in an attempt to protect workers' jobs. A federal agency will ultimately decide whether to approve the sale of the Canadian plant. The de Havilland facility builds the Dash 8 36-seat Series 100 and 50-seat Series 300 regional airliners.

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LONDON (DEC. 21) UPI - Former Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher remembered loyal supporters, ranging from close political aides to her office cleaner, with peerages and other awards announced Friday on her resignation honors list.

Prominent among the people designated for awards were men and women who helped Thatcher achieve power and maintain it during her 11 years at 10 Downing Street, the prime minister's residence.

According to tradition, after leaving office a former prime minister submits a list of supporters at all levels bestowing honors ranging from life peerages to the British Empire Medal.

Those remembered by Thatcher included people who helped form her conservative ideology, raise campaign funds, get elected, run the country, and maintain her office and household.

Key aides, Bernard Ingham, chief press secretary for 11 years, and Charles Powell, private secretary and senior foreign affairs adviser, were both knighted as were four Conservative Party members of Parliament who steadfastly supported the ''Iron Lady'' during last month's party leadership struggle, which led to her resignation Nov. 27.

Brian Griffiths, who headed the prime minister's policy unit, received a life peerage along with five others including four industrialists who contributed large sums to the 1987 Conservative Party election campaign.

In an editorial, The Daily Telegraph said Thatcher had used the list ''to reward those who gave her exceptional personal service and loyalty while she was in office.''

''Other governments, with no such baubles to offer, either succumb to financial cupidity in high places, or find difficulty in recruiting good men to do political labor for small reward,'' said the newspaper, a staunch supporter of the Conservative Party and Thatcher throughout most of her tenure.

The editors of two national newspapers that backed Thatcher also were honored. Nicholas Lloyd, editor of the Daily Express, was given a knighthood, and Brian Hitchen, editor of the Daily Star, was made a Commander of the Order of the British Empire.

Jane Gow, wife of Ian Gow, Conservative member of Parliament killed in an Irish Republican Army bomb blast in July, was made a Dame commander.

Members of the staffs at Downing Street and the Chequers country retreat were represented well on the honors list. Messengers, a telephone operator, guards, housekeepers and others were named, including senior cook Dorelia Sherry and Downing Street cleaner Edwina Booker.

Margaret King, ladies' retail director at the elite Aquascutum clothing store, was made a Member of the Order of the British Empire for helping develop the photogenic and recognizable ''Thatcher look,'' classically tailored suits detailed with buttons or braid.

Michael White, political editor of The Guardian, wrote that the list marked the end of the Thatcher era, closing it ''not with a characteristic bang but with a self-denying wimper'' while revealing ''a brisk and businesslike determination to reward only the loyalest of the loyal.''

The list was checked by a parliamentary committee and approved by Queen Elizabeth before being published.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - This week's rates on 30-year fixed mortgages rose to 9.64 percent from 9.56 percent while adjustable-rate notes declined to 7.86 percent from 7.91 percent, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Friday.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Friday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 69.25-70.75 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 117.625-118.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 34.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 39.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $180.00-$195.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $410.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $421.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $104.00-$108.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 271.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - Winter pushed into the West and Midwest Friday with an onslaught of brutal cold and miserable wind-chill conditions while the South was battered by severe thunderstorms.

Winter was due to start officially at 10:07 p.m. EST and the western half of the country knew what to expect. Wind-chill factors of 30 below were common in the mountains while the panhandles of Texas and Oklahoma and parts of the Midwest also had to contend with diving temperatures, gusting winds, sleet and snow.

The wind and cold continued to be a weeklong plague in the Dakotas, where wind-chill factors were as low as 60 below zero in South Dakota and 75 below in the North.

Pocatello, Idaho, suffered the twin curses of cold and flooding. Some homes had to be evacuated because the Portneuf River was dammed up by ice jams.

The Midwest and the Texas Panhandle suffered the multiple misery of snow, sleet, freezing temperatures and bone-chilling winds, leading to car wrecks. Kansas had morning temperatures below zero and 25-mph winds that made it seem like 50 below. Snow pushed through Iowa, where temperatures were as low as 10 below - not counting winds that dropped it to 50 below.

The combination of sleet and snow dropped the visibility to nearly zero in parts of Missouri, which also had 35-below wind chills.

Severe thunderstorms rumbled through Central and East Texas and a line of thunderstorms also hit Arkansas and Tennesse. Lightning, hail and strong gusty winds were reported around Memphis.

A flash flood watch was issued for most of Kentucky and for the southeast third of Illinois and part of Indiana.

Records for cold weather and rainfall were set Thursday as fall drew to a close and at least one death was blamed on the freezing temperatures that have combined with snow and icy winds to make for dangerous conditions.

Record low temperatures were set from California to Nebraska and Denver tied the record low for Thursday at minus 16 degrees and set a record for the coldest high temperature for the date when the mercury reached only minus 3 degrees.

Seattle police said Thursday a man was found, apparently frozen to death, beneath a downtown viaduct, an area frequented by transients.

''It was probably the weather that got him,'' said a police spokesman.

While the West froze, thunderstorms and tornadoes made it seem like summer Thursday in Texas, Louisiana, Alabama and Mississippi. Tornado watches were up throughout the region and twisters were reported in or near the Mississippi communities of Crystal Springs, Jackson, Raymond, Macon and Florence, the National Weather Service said. Winds damaged trees near Barlow, Miss.

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SACRAMENTO, Calif. (DEC. 21) UPI - The state Department of Fish and Game is setting up a new bureaucracy to clean up oil spills off the California coast - but the undecided question now is who Gov.-elect Pete Wilson will put in charge of it after he takes office Jan. 7.

The Oil Spill Prevention and Response unit in the DFG is supposed to begin work in January, a Fish and Game spokesman said Thursday. Known in Sacramento by its initials of OSPR, the unit will add about 100 jobs to the DFG at a time when other agencies are being asked to cut their programs because of the

state's budget crisis.

OSPR was created by the Legislature last summer in response to public outrage over the 260,000-barrel Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska in March 1989, and the smaller spill last February of 9,524 barrels from the tanker American Trader off the coast of Orange County.

The program for countermeasures against oil spills was embodied in a bill, SB2040, by Sen. Barry Keene, D-Benicia. Keene's bill took over many features of another bill, AB2603, by Assemblyman Ted Lempert, D-San Mateo.

A bitter struggle over the issue among environmentalists, legislators and the oil industry was resolved by compromise on Aug. 31, the last day the Legislature was in session.

The legislation provides for a $50 million cleanup fund in case of a major oil accident in Pacific waters off California, with borrowing rights to provide another $50 million on short notice. The federal government is providing a separate fund of its own.

The Legislature made the Department of Fish and Game the lead agency for cleanup of future oil spills in the belief that it was the government agency most oriented toward protection of fish and wildlife.

Organization of OSPR so far has been carried out by the DFG's top deputy director, Michael McCollum. McCollum, 37, is a college-trained biologist, who has become a career administrator in state government. Before moving into his present job, he managed the Environmental License Plate Fund for the Resources Agency.

Wilson, a Republican, and his advisors so far have sent no public signals whether McCollum and his current boss, DFG Director Pete Bontadelli, will remain on their jobs in the new administration. Bontadelli is an appointee of outgoing Republican Gov. George Deukmejian.

The DFG is one of several environmental entities bracketed into the state government's Resources Agency. Others include the Department of Water Resources, the Department of Parks and Recreation, and the Coastal Commission.

The present Resources Agency secretary, Gordon Van Vleck, a Deukmejian appointee, intends to return to private life.

Wilson also must appoint a chief for the Environmental Affairs Agency. It has jurisdiction over the state Water Resources Control Board, the Air Resources Board and the Waste Management Board. The current Environmental Affairs secretary is Jan Sharpless, who chairs the Air Resources Board.

The job slots in the new oil spill bureaucracy will be filled by game wardens,

wildlife biologists, engineers, attorneys and electronic data specialists.

They are expected to draw up a statewide emergency plan for any future oil spills. They also will be in charge of drafting new safety guidelines for harbors and oil landing terminals.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - Yesterday's resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze set the tone for today's session of the Congress of People's Deputies. Leningrad Mayor Anatoly Sobchak said ''We are indeed moving toward a dictatorship.''

He added ''In two to three months, we will have to turn to the military to do everything, because now nobody is doing anything.'' Shevardnadze resigned to protest attacks on him and the government by conservative forces that he warned are seeking a dictatorship.

The Japanese government expressed concern today over the resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Edward Shevardnadze. Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu told business leaders he expects Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to make a scheduled visit to Japan in April.

The semi-official Athens News Agency says an earthquake measuring five-point-five on the Richter scale hit northern Greece early today, killing at least one person in central Macedonia. Police say a 68-year- old woman died when her house collapsed.

Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis, the 1988 Democratic presidential nominee, made his farewell speech to a packed House chamber last night. Dukakis said the nation must summon the strength to deal with problems that are eating away at its social and economic fabric.

A mine explosion shattered the facade of an office building in a southern South African town. Police say the blast in Queenstown did NOT cause any injuries. They say the explosion broke more than 150 windows and took chunks out of the walls of the building.

Authorities in Sumatra tracked down more than 30 people suspected of being involved in the killing of endangered Sumatran double-horned rhinoceros. Officials beleive that the animals were killed for their horns, which can sell for high prices abroad.

New York City's board of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority has voted to authorize Transit Police officers to carry nine-millimeter semi-automatic handguns. The new pistol fires twice as many bullets as the standard .38-caliber service revolver now used.

Researchers at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine say people who drink only one cup of coffee or two cans of cola daily can experience caffeine withdrawal symptoms ranging from headaches to moodiness and nausea.

The Children's Defense Fund says the nation's infant death rate remained steady from 1987 to 1988, while the maternal death rate soared more than 27 percent.... the largest jump since 1940.

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OMAHA (DEC. 21) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 50; not enough any class on offer to establish a market.

Hogs 1,000; barrows and gilts 2.00 to 3.00 higher. U.S. 1-3 220-250 lbs 52.50-53.00; U.S. 2- 3 250-270 lbs 51.00-52.50; 270-290 lbs 47.50-49. 00. Sows steady with instances of being 50 higher. U.S. 1-3 350-500 lbs 39.00-39.50, some 450-500 lbs 39.50-40.00; U.S. 2-3 500-650 lbs 43. 50-44.50. Boars 200-700 lbs 35.00.

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#90355u0675 12/21/1990 ~United Press International
HOUSTON (DEC. 21) UPI - Federal regulators slapped Phillips Petroleum Co. with three safety citations for a June fire at its Pasadena chemical complex, spokesmen said Thursday.

The Occupation and Safety and Health Administration is seeking $14, 300 in fines, accusing the ocmpany of two counts of willful violation of federal safety regulations and one serious violation.

''We don't agree with OSHA's findings in issuing the citations that allege willful violations,'' said spokesman Rob Phillips at the company's headquarters in Bartlesville, Okla.

''We haven't decided at this point whether we're going to contest the serious one,'' Phillips said.

Four people were hurt during the fire in Phillips' K-resin plant. The fire caused little damage to the plant. K-resin is a plastic used to make clear plastic containers such as water bottles.

Under federal law, OSHA could have sought a total of $21,000 in damages, but inspectors declined to say why they did not seek the full penalties permitted.

The June fire came less than eight months after the massive explosion that

rocked the Pasadena compex on Oct. 23, 1989, killing 23 workers and injuring another 130. As a result of that disaster, OSHA charged Phillips with 566 willful violations along with nine serious violations.

Regulators are seeking $5.7 million in penalties. If paid in full, that fine would be the highest penalty ever paid following an OSHA investigation. Phillips is appealing that OSHA finding but no final ruling has been made.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 21) UPI - A new stream of Soviet Jews is flowing into Israel in an immigration rush spawned by a shaky political climate and growing anxiety among the Jewish community in the Soviet Union, officials said Friday.

Israeli officials, however, dismissed a specific link between the exodus and the announced resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

Most of the Jews began leaving the Soviet before Shevardnadze's announcement Thursday, but have been delayed in reaching Israel because of logistical problems involving Eastern European transit stations, officials said.

''We expected this (immigration influx) because of the worsening situation within the Soviet Union, the greater anxiety that is engulfing the Jewish community there as a result of anti-Semitism and uncertainty, '' said Simcha Dinitz, chairman of the quasi-governmental Jewish Agency, which assists the immigration of Jews to Israel.

Immigration officials said they expected 5,500 Soviet Jews would arrive in Israel in a 48-hour period ending Saturday evening. Israel's national carrier is normally prohibited from flying on the Jewish Sabbath, but government officials have authorized three jumbo jets to land at Ben Gurion Airport near Tel Aviv Saturday.

In recent weeks, the highest number of Soviet Jews to arrive in one day topped 2,000.

The Jewish Agency is prepared to bring as many as 50,000 Soviet Jews to Israel a month, The Jerusalem Post reported. Earlier, Jewish Agency officials had estimated 30,000 immigrants would arrive per month beginning in December.

For all of 1990, approximately 200,000 immigrants will have arrived in Israel compared to an estimated 12,000 newcomers in 1989. Most of the 1990 immigrants came from the Soviet Union.

In Moscow, Aryeh Levin, head of the Israeli mission, said the increase in Soviet Jewish arrivals in Israel in recent days was part of the ''ebb and tide of the emigration process'' and has more to do with buildups at staging areas

such as Budapest than current events in the Soviet Union.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 21) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Friday.

Butter: (92 score A) 96 1/2-98 1/4; (93 score AA) 98 1/4-1.03 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 94-97; large 90-96; medium 78-84.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - Regulators ended the first full year of their Herculean task of stemming the savings and loan industry's huge losses with praise and condemnation.

The thrift industry, meanwhile, continued to bleed red ink. By the end of the year's third quarter, thrifts not under government control lost $631.4 million.

And the cost of the government's thrift bailout effort, estimated originally at $166 billion over three years, skyrocketed to as much as $500 billion in little more than a year.

The sagging national economy, highlighted by extreme weakness in regional real estate markets, created an ''adverse environment'' for the thrift industry last year, said Timothy Ryan, director of the Office of Thrift Supervision.

''As long as the real estate slump continues, the thrift industry will have a tough time improving its performance,'' Ryan said.

While the government's bailout of the thrift industry slogged through the year industry regulators and executives examined the possibility of doing away with savings and loan associations altogether.

Bert Ely, president of Ely & Co., an Alexandria, Va., thrift industry consulting firm, believes the end is near for thrifts as a separately regulated industry.

''The time has come to meld bank and thrift regulation,'' Ely said. ''Thrifts will survive and will be regulated under the same ground rules as banks.''

Ely was among the thrift experts called by Ryan late in the year to discuss the future of the industry.

''I tried to tell it like it is,'' Ely recalled. ''I think it's downhill. I think it's a pretty serious environment out there. You've got regulators battering all of our institutions. It's not good news. More and more thrifts are having problems.''

But those inside the thrift industry say the picture painted by critics is deceiving.

''There is a very healthy core that is proving profitable,'' said James Grohl, a spokesman for the influential U.S. League of Savings Institutions, the thrift industry's leading lobbying organization.

''We have no question about the future of this industry,'' he said. ''There are always going to be people who need mortgages and want to buy homes.''

Still, Grohl sees more consolidation in the already shrinking number of savings and loans in the coming years.

Another aspect of the beleaguered thrift industry involves those institutions that have been taken over by the government. During the past year, the government has struggled against a number of odds to get its bailout effort on tract.

''They've got a tremendous job on their hands. Given market conditions, they probably are doing as best they can. It's just a massive assignment,'' said Grohl.

When President Bush signed into law legislation to rescue the thrift industry from its near collapse in August 1989, he created the Resolution Trust Corp. and gave it the responsiblity to manage and dispose of billions of dollars worth of assets from failed savings institutions.

After five months of start-up activity, the RTC grew into a formidable institution in 1990. But the agency was not immune to growing pains.

Since its inception, the RTC has taken over 493 insolvent thrifts and has sold or liquidated more than half. As of Sept. 30, the agency controlled 206 thrifts and had sold and collected assets valued at $110 billion, including about $17 billion worth of real estate.

There were enough false starts, particularly involving a long- promised real estate auction, to arm the agency's already well-stocked critics.

''The complaints about the operation of the RTC, the slow pace of asset sales, and the growing costs are numerous,'' said Rep. Henry Gonzalez, D-Texas,

chairman of the House Banking Committee.

''I've tried to call the RTC and I can't get them to answer the phone. The RTC is the kiss of death to a sale,'' said Rep. Joseph Kennedy, D-Mass., at a recent hearing on RTC performance.

Charles Bowsher, head of the General Accounting Office, the investigatory arm of Congress, said it is too early to judge the agency.

''I don't think we have enough experience on their part to accurately assess their performance,'' he said, noting that the RTC is getting to the stage in its development where ''it should begin paying off.''

Officials of the RTC defend the agency's performance, saying their critics are too eager to rush to judgment.

''The job is not as simple as you'd sometimes believe,'' said David Cooke, the RTC's executive director. ''It's awful easy to stand on the outside and say they don't know what they're doing.

''We feel we've accomplished a lot. We've staffed ourselves up and I feel we're 90 percent there.''

L. William Seidman, the chairman of the RTC and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., offered this assessment of the agency:

''I've never seen a group work harder at a more impossible task,'' he said. ''That's not to say the best job has been done. There are areas that could be improved. But any evaluation would have to be they have done a good job under trying circumstances.''

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MEXICO CITY (DEC. 21) UPI - Next week Gil and Bernice Abeyta will spend another Christmas without their son Christopher, who was taken from his crib four years ago at the couple's Colorado home.

After hundreds of newspaper articles, television appearances on shows such as ''Unsolved Mysteries'' and the offer of a $50,000 reward, their son is still missing.

But the Abeytas are continuing their search and are spending the holiday season in Mexico setting up what they say is the first Mexican- American network to help families from both countries find their missing children.

''We're trying to set up a foundation that will save parents a lot of time, energy, money and pain,'' Abeyta told United Press International in an

interview.

Abeyta is president of the 6-week-old Families of Missing Children, a non-profit corporation that will work on a case-by-case basis with the U.S. government's National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The Mexican government does not keep statistics on the number of reported kidnappings or disappearances in the country. And there are no estimates on the number of missing American children thought to be living in Mexico.

''There could be dozens or hundreds, or two,'' said Ruben Rodriguez, a senior analyst for the missing children center in Arlington, Va.

''In the southern region of the United States you can drive to Mexico very quickly. Who knows how many non-Hispanic kids are down there,'' Rodriguez said in a telephone interview. Rodriguez said the only reported cases of abducted kids being taken across the border involve a parent or relative who has taken the child to Mexico after a family dispute.

Two years ago the Abeytas began searching in Mexico for Christopher, now 5, after a woman reported seeing him in the northern Mexican state of Chihuahua. While visiting El Paso, Texas, the woman said she saw a photo of the boy on a poster indicating he was kidnapped. The sighting and up to a hundred that followed it have not led to Christopher's discovery.

''We don't know if he is here, or in the United States. He could be anyhwere, but you have to go when someone calls because that call may be the one,'' Abeyta said.

The first mission of Families of Missing Children is to visit every major Mexican city, make contacts with police, government officials and the clergy and leave behind at least one Mexican representative, preferably a parent of a missing child.

Once the network is established, representatives will distribute photos and fact sheets of missing Mexican and American children and follow up on sightings.

Rumors are widespread on both sides of the border about horrendous industries involving children from the two countries.

While some Mexican groups claim children here are killed so their body parts can be used for organ transplants in the United States, U.S. groups allege the existence of a so-called ''white slave trade'' in Mexico.

No evidence has been produced to support either claim and Abeyta said such rumors must be forgotten if the two countries are to work together to find missing children.

''Misconceptions among Mexicans and Americans have to be cleared up. There is a distinct impression here that the United States is the largest market for Mexican children and that has not been confirmed.

''American couples have also been led to believe that they can avoid lengthy adoption procedures in the United States by coming to Mexico and buying a baby '' Abeyta said.

Abeyta will assist the network from the United States by taking inquiries from American parents and forwarding their cases to Mexico if there is reason to believe the children were taken across the border.

Although Rodriguez said Abeyta's network would help the search for missing children, little could be done at this point if a child were found.

''We don't have the jurisdiction down there and we have no power to follow up on those cases in Mexico,'' Rodriguez said.

The only international treaty covering the return of kidnapped children to their families, the Hague Convention, has not been signed by Mexico. The two countries also do not have bilateral agencies working together on the issue.

Mexico has no agency like the missing children's center that is devoted soley to the search for lost children and teenagers. The Abeytas hope to meet with federal government officials in Mexico City during their stay to urge them to create such an agency.

''We're not going to get them to set up an agency during our visit, but hopefully a seed will be left behind to start something,'' Abeyta said.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Friday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - higher.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 100-102; large 97-100 and mediums 85-88.

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#90355u0730 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 21) UPI - Iraq prepared for war today by staging a massive evacuation

drill in Baghdad that sent an estimated one Million million people rushing for safety. Cairo radio said air-raid sirens began sounding in Baghdad, sending hundreds of thousands of residents pouring into the streets, taking private cars and special buses to a desert location where they were to be housed in tents until the drill was concluded. Egypt's Middle East News Agency says Iraq also is trying to buy large numbers of gas masks in Europe.

British Prime Minister John Major arrived today in the United States for a two-day visit to get better acquainted with President Bush. The 46-year-old British leader was scheduled to appear on several national morning television shows. He will also meet with Vice President Quayle. Major and his wife Norma will spend the first full night of their visit at the Camp David presidential retreat.

The Air Force has grounded its fleet of BB strategic bombers following engine problems in planes in Texas and Kansas. A BB on a training flight over Dyess Air Force Base, Texas, made an emergency landing Wednesday after a fire was reported in an engine. In October, a BB crew from an air base in Kansas reported that an engine fell off. As of yesterday, NO routine training flights are allowed until the problem is resolved.

A U-S government AIDS vaccine expert said today in Bangkok, Thailand, that recent clinical tests and animal studies have boosted hopes that a vaccine against AIDS can be found within the next five years. Dr. Dale Lawrence told the International Congress on AIDS that progress has been made during the past several months in studies using virus vaccines on monkeys infected with the closely related Simian Immuno-deficiency virus.

Japanese BILLIONaire Masao Nangaku temporarily lost his bid for a permanent Nevada gambling license to operate the Dunes hotel-casino on the Las Vegas Strip. The five-member Nevada Gaming Commission granted the 72-year-old entrepreneur only a four-month limited license. The permanent license was rejected because state investigators had been unable to obtain documents and information necessary to complete their probe into Nangaku's worldwide business dealings.

A member of the Chicago Bears football team was killed this morning in a car accident. A spokesman for the N-F-L team says rookie defensive tackle Fred Washington and a female companion were killed when Washington's car skidded into a tree near Lake Forest, Illinois.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 21) UPI - The U.S. Customs Service is investigating allegations that Coastal Corp. violated a federal ban on trade with Libya by importing petroleum products originating from that country, a newspaper reported Friday.

Charles Harrison, assistant special agent in charge of the Customs Service in Houston, confirmed his agency for more than a year has been looking into possible trade irregularities involving Coastal.

Harrison declined to discuss whether the investigation had anything to do with the Libyan ban, but a source familiar with the Customs Service inquiry told the Houston Chronicle that it involves Libya.

It's unclear whether crude oil or refined product imports are the issue.

Harrison said Coastal is one of many large energy compoanies whose trade practices are being scrutinzed under a special operation called, ''Greased Lightning,'' which began in 1987.

''We are not making accusations,'' Harrison said. ''We're simply investigating allegations.''

Coastal Chairman Oscar S. Wyatt Jr. said he was unaware of any Customs Service investigation.

The Coastal chairman said his company is extremely careful about meeting the terms of U.S. import-export restrictions, and he added that no one would be ''foolish enough'' to try to sneak Libyan crude into U. S. ports.

In a separate action, Washington sources said last week that the U.S. Treasury's office of Foreign Assets Control is investigating contacts between Wyatt and top Iraqi officials to see if the Houston oilman violated economic sanctions against Iraq.

That investigation is related to Wyatt's trip to Baghad to rescue hostages. Coastal officials say the trip by Wyatt and Coastal director John Connally was a humanitarian mission.

U.S. companies have been barred from doing business with Libya since 1986 because of Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi's involvement in terrorism. Violations of the ban can result in a fine of as much as $50, 000 and up to 10 years' jail time.

Since 1987, a European affiliate of Coastal has been buying crude from the Libyans to supply a refinery in Hamburg, Germany.

After a federal investigation of that supply relationship, Coastal cleared itself of legal problems since it was making the Libyan crude purchases through its European affiliate. The refined products are sold mostly in Germany.

Iranian crude also has been banned from import into the United States since U.S. embassy employees were taken hostage in Tehran in 1979. The United States

embargoed Iraqi imports just after the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Harrison declined to name other companies his office is investigating. The ''Greased Lightning'' program covers foreign trade ban violations and also misidentification of petroleum product cargoes that can cost the government a lot of money in lost duty payment.

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LAS VEGAS, Nev. (DEC. 21) UPI - The Nevada Gaming Commission gave Hyatt Corp. permission to negotiate deals to operate foreign hotel-casinos without prior Nevada state approval.

Hyatt executives told the commission meeting Thursday in Las Vegas that in order to be competitive, the firm needed the flexibility to close a deal without the lengthy process of getting piece-meal approval from Nevada gaming agencies.

The Nevada Gaming Commission adopted a trial regulation last May which permits well-established Nevada gaming corporations to move into foreign jurisdictions without prior state approval as previously required.

However, the Nevada Gaming Control Board, which advises the Gaming Commission, was unable to agree earlier this month on the Hyatt application to utilize the new regulation. Board member Tom Roche had proposed imposing additional restrictions on Hyatt, the first gaming company that has tried to use the new foreign gambling regulation.

However, the Nevada Gaming Commission disagreed Thursday. The five- member commission, which has the final word on granting Nevada gambling licenses, said Hyatt should be allowed to use the new regulation without the state imposing additional restrictions.

Commissioner Bob Lewis said Hyatt, the big Chicago-based international hotel concern, was an exemplary Nevada gambling licensee.

''We have no reason to impose additional restrictions,'' said Lewis. ''What better opportunity do we have to test the regulation than with a company like Hyatt.''

The commission gave Hyatt the go-ahead to operate freely under the foreign gambling law until December of 1991, at which time state regulators will review the situation.

Hyatt operates casinos in Nevada; Puerto Rico; the desert island of Aruba off the Venezuela coast and aboard Admiral Cruise ships. The firm also plans to operate casinos within the next several years in Belgrade, Yugoslavia; Warsaw;

and at a resort on the Mauritius Islands in the Indian Ocean.

Vice President of Development Michael Evanoff told the commission Thursday that officials of Hyatt-International also were talking with governments and hotel operators about joint-venture, hotel-casinos in about 15 other countries including the United Kingdom, France, Hungary, Bulgaria, Egypt, India, and previous Iron Curtain nations.

Attorney Paul Bible, representing Hyatt, told the five-member commission that in the present-day, dynamic world it was impossible for a company to know in advance where the next opportunity in gaming will occur. He says the hotel economy in emerging and third-world nations needed casinos in order to augment revenues.

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PITTSBURGH (DEC. 21) UPI - The Pittsburgh Penguins Friday traded right winger Rob Brown to the Hartford Whalers for right winger Scott Young.

Brown, 22, was Pittsburgh's fourth-round draft choice in 1986. He has scored six goals and 10 assists in 25 games this season. The 5-foot-11, 185-pound Brown has 112 goals and 143 assists in 224 career games.

Young, 23, was Hartford's first-round draft selection in 1986. He has six goals and nine assists in 34 games this season, and a career total of 49 goals and 89 assists in 197 games. Young is 6-foot and weighs 190 pounds.

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ROME (DEC. 21) UPI - Six children suffered burns Friday in a fire sparked by a candle that touched off their Santa Claus masks during a kindergarten Christmas show for their parents.

The fire started as 27 children were seated in small chairs on a platform wearing Santa Claus masks and holding a candle while performing in the play, parents reported.

A candle held by one of the children touched off a fire to the cotton-wool beard of his mask, and the flames spread to the masks of five other children, including two boys and three girls.

Parents watching the show grabbed fire buckets and doused the flames, one adult said.

The six children were taken to a hospital. Three of them were admitted with burns expected to require 25 days of treatment, but the other three were

allowed to go home after doctors treated their minor burns.

The fire started near the end of the performance, when the children were supposed to blow out their candles simultaneously.

''One of the children, unable to blow out his candle because the beard was covering his mouth, leaned forward toward the candle and the beard of his mask caught fire,'' Giovanna Biscotti Corsini, the mother of one of the burned children, told reporters.

''One after the other the beards of the masks of five other children caught fire,'' she said. ''There was some panic as the children scrambled to get out of their chairs and away from the flames. But some parents quickly doused the flames with buckets of water.''

Police and fire officials started an investigation.

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BOSTON (DEC. 21) UPI - The Boston Globe will reduce its workforce by 100 full-time positions through attrition over the next five years, publisher William O. Taylor announced Friday.

The 100 positions represent almost 5 percent of the Globe's full-time staff.

''We are experiencing the same economic forces affecting other companies,'' Taylor said. ''Advertising is down significantly this year, and the outlook is cautious at best. We think this is the least painful way to address the need to be as cost-effective as we can for the future.''

The Globe's announcement pointed out that other New England newspapers and media companies ''have already gone through extensive cost-cutting procedures, including layoffs. This is the first time the Globe has implemented such a program to reduce staff.''

The Globe, a subsidiary of Affiliated Publications Inc., of Boston, employs about 2,075 full-time and 500 part-time staff.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - Attention on deck on the USS Midway. Attention on deck. Chief Petty Officer Rich Rose, your mom and dad are sending you a fax message that should arrive at mail call in the next few days.

Rose's parents - Ken and Linda Rose of Port Angeles, Wash. - stopped by an AT&T booth at the Pentagon Thursday to take advantage of the free service, and

their note to their 31-year-old son became one of nearly half a million sent since the service was organized in September.

James McGann, a spokesman for the telecommunications firm, said well over 450,000 of the one-page messages have been sent to servicemen in Saudi Arabia and sailors and Marines at sea and the figure is rapidly approaching half a million.

One military wife sent a sonogram to her husband showing that she was pregnant with twins. Another sent a lipstick kiss on the fax form to her fiance, and McGann said in one suburban Washington location a little girl whose mother is overseas regularly comes in to send her mom notes.

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DETROIT (DEC. 21) UPI - The United Auto Workers union and General Motors Corp. said Friday they are jointly distributing 1,500 copies of a patriotic music video to U.S. troops stationed in the Persian Gulf.

The music video includes renditions of ''The Star-Spangled Banner'' and ''America the Beautiful,'' performed by Tommy Roberts, a UAW- represented GM worker from Baltimore.

Roberts, 44, is a member of UAW Local 239 and employed at GM's Baltimore Truck & Bus Group plant.

''We believe this music video will serve as a Christmas gift, and help show the men and women of our American armed forces that we care about them during this difficult crisis in the Middle East,'' UAW Vice President Stephen P. Yokich and GM Vice President Richard F. O'Brien said.

''We also want to help inspire our American military troops and demonstrate our support for our country's involvement in Operation Desert Shield,'' they added.

The patriotic music video shows Roberts in a recording studio amidst scenes of UAW-GM workers at their plant manufacturing jobs and scenes of Americana. It has been viewed by thousands of UAW-GM workers across the country at both union and management meetings and conferences.

Roberts, who has written more than 600 songs and has produced five albums and three singles, is a lifelong gospel singer. His latest album, ''America,'' was released last May.

''My mother says I could sing before I could walk,'' said Roberts, who has never had formal music training. ''All of my music talent has been God-given.''

The videotapes are being shipped to troops in the Saudi Arabian desert and on

nearby ships and air bases in the Persian Gulf by military airlift coordinated by the U.S. Department of Defense and USO.

The UAW-GM Human Resource Center is responsible for creating and developing joint education, training and development programs and activities for more than 300,000 UAW-represented GM workers at some 150 UAW-GM plants across the United States.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 21) UPI - Members of the Congress of People's Deputies seized on resigning Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze's warning of an impending dictatorship Friday as a rallying point for reformers.

But Congress chairman Anatoly Lukyanov later introduced controversial constitutional amendments that would give Gorbachev virtual control of all ministries and create a national security council of all law enforcement bodies.

A negative vote by the 1,770 registered deputies would be a virtual vote of no-confidence for Gorbachev and some observers speculated Gorbachev sacrificed Shevardnadze for the votes from the right.

The amendments will be debated but no date has been announced for the vote for the expanded powers Gorbachev said he needs to stave off political and economic disaster.

Shevardnadze resigned Thursday to protest attacks on him and the governnment by conservative forces he warned are seeking a dictatorship.

Leningrad Mayor Anatoly Sobchak, one of the leading reformers in the Congress, said he agreed with Shevardnadze's assessment and said a dictatorship could be just around the corner if nothing is done to solve the country's economic and political crisis.

''I think that this warning is more than serious,'' Sobchak said.

He said if there is no quick agreement on economic ties between the republics and the distribution of state resources by January, dozens and then thousands of factories may close.

''Then all of us, democrats, radicals and conservatives, will have to go begging to the military and say to them 'come and rule us,''' Sobchak said.

Although Shevardnadze made it clear Thursdasy he was not referrring to Gorbachev in his warnings of a dictatorship, some deputies bluntly blamed the president.

''A right-wing reactionary state coup is taking place in the country, '' said Vladimir Chernyak, a deputy from Kiev. As examples he pointed to Gorbachev's dismissal Dec. 1 of Interior Minister Vadim Bakatin and Shevardnadze's resignation.

''At the head of the coup stands Gorbachev,'' Chernyak said. ''It is possible that he himself does not know this.

''Demanding for himself more and more powers, he is creating the legal basis for a dictatorship. Maybe not for himself personally but the threat of dictatorship comes from the president.''

''Why does Gorbachev respond to the right and not to the left,'' Chernyak said. ''This is no great riddle. He is a son of his party and a defender of his interests. The proposed amendments strengthen centralism and destroy the sovereignty of our republic.''

Outside, the hallways still buzzed with speculation on what caused Shevardnadze to quit.

Fyodor Burlatsky, one of the nation's top jouranlists and a deputy, said: ''I think the reason for Minister Shevardnadze's resignation was not emotional but political. He did it to protest against the danger of some dictatorship.''

Sobchak said unspecified forces were campaigning to discredit democratic reformers and ''the very choice of democratic rule'' in the country - saying the 25 percent turnout for recent elections to remaining seats on the Leningrad city council was a sign the campaign was working.

''Just think, if this is so there only remains a dictatorship,'' he said. ''The names of that dictatorship may be various, but it will have one common element, nomenclatura (the system by which the Communist Party controls all power).''

Before the fifth day of the Congress began, Sobchak told reporters Shevardnadze's resignation to protest the backlash of conservative forces was ''a very brave thing.''

''We are indeed moving toward a dictatorship,'' he said. ''In two to three months we will have to turn to the military to do everything. Because now nobody is doing anything.''

Vitaly Chelyshev, a leader of the so-called inter-regional group of reformist deputies, called on all members of the Congress who are boycotting the session for various reasons to return in order to fight the conservatives.

Delegations from Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Georgia, Armenia and Moldavia are

staging total or partial boycotts of the fourth session of the Congress, mainly for nationalist reasons because they consider their republics separate from the Soviet Union.

''We share the fears of Eduard Shevardnadze,'' Chelyshev said. ''We are calling on all democratic forces to unite and we call on all the deputies who left the hall to return.''

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LAKE PLACID, N.Y. (DEC. 21) UPI - The Kate Smith/God Bless America Foundation Friday announced the discovery of the original manuscript for Irving Berlin's classic patriotic tune at a gallery in Las Vegas.

The discovery of the ''God Bless America'' manuscript, which includes a crucial change in the lyrics by Berlin, was a ''most thrilling'' event, said foundation spokesman Charles D'Imperio.

D'Imperio said the manuscript, which had been presumed lost, surfaced at the Gallery of History in Las Vegas, where it is up for sale at a price of $295,000.

Todd Axelrod of the gallery said the manuscript's historical value lies in the fact that Berlin had penned a change in the song's most famous lyric.

In it, Berlin changed a line ''From the green fields of Virginia to the gold fields out in Nome'' to ''From the mountains, to the prairies, to the oceans white with foam, God bless America, My home sweet home.''

Kate Smith biographer Richard Hayes said the song is ''one of a handful of truly great American songs.'' Smith was closely identified with the stirring tune and in the final years of her life would sing it on a regular basis at Philadelphia Flyers' home games.

''The song irreversibly altered the course of Kate Smith's career,'' he said. ''She would sing 'God Bless America' thousands of times over the next four decades and would be forever linked to it.''

Both Smith's and Berlin's proceeds from the song were donated to the Boy and Girl Scouts of America.

Hayes said the ''missing'' manuscript left a trail that goes back to January 1942, when it was given to Tommy Shattuck, a Schrafft's candy store heir. Shattuck later sold it to a son-in-law, William Cheadle of Clearwater, Fla., who resold it to the Gallery of History.

The foundation is based in Lake Placid, where Kate Smith is buried in a large

pink mausoleum on the grounds of the St. Agnes parish church.

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#90355u0807 12/21/1990 ~United Press International
JERUSALEM (DEC. 21) UPI - Israeli security forces have uncovered a cell of Druze from the Golan Heights suspected of working for Syrian intelligence, Army Radio reported Friday.

Israeli security forces and police arrested several inhabitants of the Druze village of Majdal Shams, near the Israeli-Syrian border, since late November.

Israeli soldiers caught two inhabitants armed with pistols and knives from the village Nov. 22 while the men were trying to cross the border into Syria. One Druze was killed and the other captured.

During an investigation, the captured Druze disclosed his ties with Syrian intelligence and implicated several other villagers in the network, Army Radio reported.

Israel captured the Golan Heights from Syria during the 1967 war and in 1981 applied Israeli jurisdiction and law, stopping short of full annexation.

Druze are an independent religious community that broke away from mainstream Islam in the 11th century. Within Israel, including the Golan Heights, there are approximately 70,000 Druze.

While most of the 6,000 Golan Druze have refused to accept Israeli sovereignty and Israeli-issued identity cards, the Druze within Israel's pre-1967 borders are staunch supporters of the state and serve in the army.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - A battle is shaping up at the Congress of Peoples Deputies in Moscow between conservatives and reformers. Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze resigned yesterday to protest attacks on him and the government by conservative forces that he warned are seeking a dictatorship. A leader of the so-called inter-regional group of reformist deputies today called on all members of the Congress who are boycotting the session for various reasons to return in order to fight the conservatives.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and Shevardnadze met for two hours today to discuss Shevardnadze's announced resignation and its effect on foreign policy. Few details of the meeting were released.

Iraq continues preparing for the possibility of war. Air-raid sirens sounded today in Baghdad, sending an estimated one Million people into the streets in

a massive attack drill. Cairo radio said one-quarter of the city's population took private cars and special buses to a desert location where they were to be housed in tents until the drill ended.

There were NO formal services in Lockerbie, Scotland, today on the second anniversary of the bombing of Flight 103, which officially remains unsolved. Some friends and relatives of victims planned to meet at the small room of remembrance on the outskirts of town, where the shattered aircraft's nose fell. Others said they would visit churches and place flowers on memorials to the dead. 270 people died in the bombing.

A 68-year-old woman was killed in an earthquake in Greece this morning. Officials say the woman died in central Macedonia when her house collapsed. The quake measuring five-point-five on the Richter scale was the strongest to hit northern Greece since a a six-point-four tremor in the same area on June 20th, 1978.

Winter officially arrives tonight, but you'd never know it in parts of the nation. While the West froze, thunderstorms and tornadoes made it seem like summer in Texas, Louisiana, Alabama and Mississippi. Light snow fell across Wyoming, and frigid conditions continued with temperatures between minus 25 and minus 45 degrees with wind chills down to minus 70 degrees.

A newspaper in Cairo says a 65-year-old Moslem man in upper Egypt refused to accept quadruplets born to his 30-year-old wife. The man reportedly said he already had 11 other children by another wife. The report said the man was eventually persuaded by hospital workers to take the four babies home, along with their mother. Moslem men are allowed by religious law to marry as many as four wives.

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BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (DEC. 21) UPI - More than 100 cars collided in a fiery chain reaction on a highway covered with ice and fog Friday, killing two people and injuring more than 50 others, the Tanjug news agency said.

Most of the casualties were reportedly Yugoslavs employed abroad who were returning home to spend the Christmas holiday with their families.

The accident occurred at about 7 a.m. outside of Sremska Mitrovica, 50 miles west of Belgrade, on a major motorway linking the national capital with Western Europe via the Croatian Republic capital of Zagreb, the agency said.

There were no details on precisely how the accident occurred. The news agency said the roadway was covered with ice and visibility was severely restricted by heavy fog.

A police investigation was under way.

More than 100 vehicles were involved in the chain-reaction collision, some of them hurtling off the shoulder of the highway and others catching fire.

Two fatalities were reported, including a man identified as a resident of the Serbian province of Kosovo who was returning home from Switzerland. The identity of the second could not be immediately confirmed because the body was burned beyond recognition inside a car, Tanjug said.

It said more than 50 other people were injured, at least 19 of whom were hospitalized in several nearby medical facilities. Most were said to be out of danger.

Traffic was blocked for nearly five hours as workers cleared damaged vehicles from the highway.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - Attention on deck on the USS Midway. Attention on deck. Chief Petty Officer Rich Rose, your mom and dad are sending you a fax message that should arrive at mail call in the next few days.

Ken and Linda Rose of Port Angeles, Wash., stopped by an AT&T booth at the Pentagon Thursday to take advantage of the free service, and their note to their 31-year-old son became one of nearly half a million sent since the service was organized in September.

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Brig. Gen Rami Dotan, a former head of the air force procurement branch, signed a plea bargain last week with the military in which he admitted receiving bribes, fraud and violating trust to commit a crime.

''We are convinced it is the most severe bribery and fraud case that has ever

occured in the Israel Defense Forces, and maybe one of the most serious cases in the state of Israel,'' Military Advocate General Amnon Strashnov told Israel Television late Thursday.

Israeli military and police arrested at least two air force officers and three civilians implicated in what the Israeli press calls the ''Dotan Affair''.

About 100 people have been questioned in the scandal, which involves payoffs by Israeli and American firms to Dotan during an eight-year period. The money, estimated at $10 million to $20 million, was believed to be funneled into secret bank accounts in Canada, France, Germany and Switzerland.

The widely read Yediot Ahronot, which in recent days has come out with much information on the investigation, reported Dotan received a regular salary from an unnamed American company that was deposited in a Canadian bank account.

In the United States, General Electric announced Wednesday it began an internal investigation of purchase orders placed with companies said to be involved in the Israeli investigation.

Dotan is considered an expert on air force jet engines. The 45-year- old brigadier general played a key role in the decision to acquire jet engines from GE, worth millions of dollars, according to the Israeli press.

The affair came to light in 1989 when Israeli arms dealer Ofer Peil accused Dotan of circumventing procurement rules and pressuring American arms companies to dispense millions in contracts to the firm of his friend, engineer Yoram Ingbir, who was involved in servicing the Israeli air force's jet engines.

Israel Television reported that police suspect Ingbir of bribing Dotan and defrauding the Defense Ministry for millions of dollars.

The respected Ha'aretz newspaper reported Dotan offered Peil $150,000 for his silence. But when Peil refused, Dotan offered an undisclosed sum to a non-commissioned air force officer to harm Peil, the Israeli daily newspaper reported.

Among those detained for questioning was American-Israeli lawyer Harold Katz, a former senior Israeli Defense Ministry official involved in negotiations with U.S. arms companies.

Katz, 70, was detained several days after Dotan's Oct. 30 arrest but was released after agreeting to testify for the state. Katz identified the companies that bribed Dotan and provided names of fictious companies and numbers of bank accounts he set up for Dotan outside the country, Ha'aretz reported.

Katz was mentioned by The Washington Post in April 1987 in connection with Jonathan Pollard, an American Jew convicted of spying for Israel. Katz denied any involvement in the Pollard case.

The Dotan affair, which could involve the embezzlement of millions of dollars in U.S. military aid to Israel and payoffs by American companies, has seriously worried senior Israeli government officials.

Israel received this year about $3 billion in military aid from the United States. Under the agreement between the two countries, Israel must spend most of it in the United States.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Defense Minister Moshe Arens have demanded a thorough overhaul of defense procurement procedures. ''If something has happened to destroy this trust ... we will demand the system to be reorganized accordingly,'' Shamir said.

Under the present system, virtual unlimited trust is put in the hands of a few army and defense officials who decide which companies will provide military hardware.

Dotan's breach of trust sparked unprecedented sharp reactions of many senior army and air force officials. Chief of Staff Dan Shomron called Dotan a traitor.

''It's treason considering the trust and work relations that exist within the Israeli air force,'' former Air force chief Mordechai Hod told Army Radio in an emotional interview.

Hod said he would mobilize a lobby of former air force officers to demand that Dotan's plea bargain be cancelled.

At a time when the reputation of Israel's armed forces has been damaged by its involvement in the Palestinian uprising, the air force has remained one of Israel's last military holy cows.

Many Israelis regard the elite force, known for its camaraderie, efficiency and performance, the embodiment of Israel's best values.

''Dotan betrayed us all; the air force and me personaly,'' Gen. Avihu Ben Nun, Israel's air force commander, said in a special message to the air force.

Ben Nun, who appointed Dotan, said he would act without mercy to lift the stain and asked his men to remember they are responsible for Israel's safety.

''Now that the hour of trial nears ... we have to make clear to the threat from the East (Iraq) that the air force is ready and unified,'' Ben Nun said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - The Food and Drug Administration Friday approved a genetically engineered drug for a rare, inherited immune disease that strikes mostly boys and young men.

The disorder, called chronic granulomatous disease or CGD, renders white blood cells unable to fight infections. CGD currently afflicts fewer than 400 Americans.

The new drug, a genetically engineered form of a naturally occurring protein called gamma interferon, appears to boost the effectiveness of white cells in CGD patients.

The drug, to be sold under the trade name Actimmune by Genentech, Inc., of South San Francisco, Calif., will be injected three times a week in most cases.

Genentech spokesman Jack Murphy said Actimmune will be available by April 1991. Murphy had no exact estimate of the drug's price, but said, like other genetically engineered drugs, it will probably be relatively expensive. However, Murphy said Genentech would provide Actimmune free to needy patients.

CGD patients suffer frequent life-threatening bouts of bacterial and fungal infections, often requiring hospitalization, that traditionally could be treated only with high-dose antibiotic therapy.

''With the use of gamma interferon, we can now expect patients to have a more normal day-to-day life,'' Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan said in a statement.

Gamma interferon is naturally produced in minute quantities by the body in certain types of white blood cells to help fight off infection. This protein has now been copied and produced commercially using a harmless bacteria altered with genetic engineering techniques.

Tests involving 128 CGD patients found a 67 percent reduction in serious infections among patients receiving Actimmune compared to those who got dummy injections.

Common side effects from the drug were short headaches, fever, rashes and chills. The long-term effects of the drug on normal growth are unknown, and gamma interferon has been shown to induce miscarriages in animals. The drug's labeling will warn doctors that the drug should not be used during pregnancy unless the benefits clearly outweigh potential risks.

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#90355u0844 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (DEC. 21) UPI - Japanese billionaire Masao Nangaku - one of the richest men ever to seek a Nevada gambling license - temporarily lost his bid for a permanent Nevada gambling license to operate the Dunes hotel-casino on the Las Vegas Strip.

Instead, the five-member Nevada Gaming Commission on Thursday granted the 72-year-old entrepreneur only a four-month limited license which allows operations to continue uninterrupted at the Strip resort while Nangaku supplies the state with more information about his international business empire.

The permanent license was rejected because state investigators had been unable to obtain documents and information necessary to complete their probe into Nangaku's worldwide business dealings.

The commission, which has the final word on Nevada licenses, meets again April 25 in Carson City, Nev., to consider Nangaku's request for a permanent license. The three-man Nevada Gaming Control Board unanimously had recommended on Dec. 13 that the commission grant a permanent license Thursday but attached 15 conditions, mostly related to missing documents.

Nevada gambling applicants traditionally must provide total business, financial and personal disclosure to state gaming license investigators. Failure to do so often is grounds for denial.

''Everybody else has to do it, why shouldn't he,'' said commission chairman John O'Reilly in complaining that Nangaku and his staff had failed to cooperate with state gaming investigators in surrendering all the necessary documents about his business empire that includes more than 50 worldwide companies.

''I can't vote for an unlimited license when the investigation has not been completed,'' said commissioner Bob Lewis.

It became apparent during the lengthy Thursday commission meeting and 16 hours of testimony at Nevada Gaming Control Board hearings earlier this month, that the state's investigation had been stymied by cultural and language differences as well as lack of cooperation by Nangaku's Tokyo staff.

The commission also directed Nangaku Thursday to outline his complete business plan for rennovation and expansion of the Dunes Hotel-casino and development of his $90 million Minami Towers, a downtown Las Vegas office skyscraper which has been stalled since the billionaire broke ground on the project last Spring.

O'Reilly said Nevada gaming regulators were concerned about Nangaku's financial suitability in view of his failure to meet announced construction plans for Minami Towers, the Dunes Hotel and promised developments in downtown

San Diego, Calif.

The billionaire's Minami Development company acquired the El Cortez Hotel in San Diego for rennovation and has contracted to build additional courthouse space for the city. Neither has materialized. Also, Nangaku currently is at odds with a partner in San Diego who wants to restore the El Cortez Hotel as an historical landmark while the Japanese businessman favors tearing down the historic structure.

''You obviously are a very successful businessman, but it appears you must come up with a business plan soon or you stand to lose millions,'' said O'Reilly.

Nangaku, speaking through an interpreter and flanked by scores of business aides and his Las Vegas attorney, George Dickerson, appeared unconcerned but agreed.

One Nevada gaming source described Nangaku as one of the richest men ever to apply for a Nevada gambling license and put him in the same league as the late Howard Hughes who once owned a half dozen Nevada casinos.

Nangaku told commissioners it currently was difficult to arrange financing through Japanese banks because of the world economic slump. But, he promised to sell some of his Tokyo or overseas properties, if necessary, in order to guarantee that the Las Vegas projects were completed. He specifically mentioned the possible sale of golf course resort property in France.

''I would expect a specific plan,'' said Lewis in demanding that the commission be given full details.

Nangaku purchased the Dunes Hotel out of bankruptcy in 1987 for $157 million cash and initially was granted a two-year Nevada gambling license, which expired at midnight Thursday. He said the fact he had been granted only a two-year limited license when he bought the Dunes, rather than a permanent license, also deterred long-term financing because Japanese bankers knew other Nevada casino operators held permanent gambling licenses.

''The fact a license is limited is not an excuse for non-performance, '' said O'Reilly.

Nangaku told commissioners their failure to grant him a permanent license would strongly impact upon the morale of his 1,800 Dunes Hotel employees. He apologized for past mistakes by his Tokyo staff who failed to obey his orders to fully cooperate with Nevada investigators.

''As you suggested, we will do our best to provide all the documents in a perfect manner and hopefully at that time (April 25) you will feel comfortable in granting me an unlimited license,'' said Nangaku. '' I understand why this

hearing resulted in this conclusion, it was the fault of my people in Tokyo. I appreciate your useful advice and suggestions.''

''I feel sorry for my employees at the Dunes, but I will explain and tell them what happened tonight and to have a Merry Christmas. I will do my best,'' Nangaku told the commission shortly before it adjourned at 10 p.m. pst Thursday.

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BONN, Germany (DEC. 21) UPI - Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, reacting to his Soviet counterpart's decision to resign, urged Friday that Western countries give stronger support to Moscow.

He said that by announcing his resignation Thursday, Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze had set a signal and that ''the world, which is watching, should recognize this signal.''

''Recognizing the signal means realizing that we should not overstrain the Soviet Union as far as foreign policies go, and that where we can support the policy of reform, we must also give this aid. Germany does that,'' Genscher told German radio.

''We support the economic reform process to a massive extent and I believe that other Western countries should also recognize that the success of the Soviet reform policy also is important - very important - to us,'' he said.

The German government expressed confidence that Soviet foreign policy will remain unchanged and reiterated support for Moscow's reform policy.

''The federal government regrets the resignation announcement by Foreign Minister Shevardnadze, who proved to be a reliable and dedicated partner in the construction of European cooperation and peaceful, friendly cooperation between East and West,'' government spokesman Dieter Vogel said.

He said that Bonn ''sees in this move by Shevardnadze a strong signal for the continuation and strengthening of perestroika.''

London money dealers see the German economy as the most vulnerable to instability in the Soviet Union, with its massive outstanding debts to Germany.

''The recent events in the Soviet Union have just spooked people who have had German marks for a long time,'' said George Magnus, currency economist for Warburg Securities.

In Frankfurt the U.S. dollar closed at 1.5205 German marks, up from 1.4945 at Thursday's close.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - An agreement has been filed in U.S. District Court dividing the potential profits from the sale of four Manhattan buildings owned by the late Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos and his wife, Imelda, it was disclosed Friday.

The agreement, filed Wednesday, was confirmed by Jeffrey Greenbaum, a Newark, N.J., attorney representing the Philippine government. He said the government will receive $5 million from the first $10.75 in profit from the buildings' sale and 55 percent of any additional profit from the buildings.

''We are hoping the Philippine government will receive in excess of $5 million but it all depends on what the properties can be sold for at a time of declining real estate values,'' Greenbaum said.

''Unfortunately the money was not put into bank accounts that would have earned interest but in real estate that has a fluctuating value.''

One of the buildings, the gilt-tipped Crown Building on Fifth Avenue at 57th Street, was put up at auction two months ago and failed to attract the minimum bid of $100 million, a failure ascribed to the fact that there was not a clear title to ownership. Other previous attempts to sell also had been unsuccessful.

''The agreement represents a pragmatic resoution in a manner that gives the Philippines some recognition of the validity of its claims,'' Greenbaum said.

The settlement involves, in addition to the Philippine government, the New York Land Company headed by Joseph And Ralph Bernstein, who had handled three of the properties for the Marcoses, and Karl Peterson, a colleague of international businessman Adnan Khashoggi, who claimed to have bought the buildings from the Marcoses.

The four-year struggle over title to the properties was the crux of the trial of Imelda Marcos and Khashoggi in New York last summer, ending in her acquittal of charges that she and her husband bought the properties with money stolen from their country's treasury and Khashoggi's acquittal on charges of helping Mrs. Marcos conceal the investments.

The Marcoses never made a claim to the buildings, which included the Herald Center Shopping Mall, 40 Wall Street, and 200 Madison Ave. The mall and the Wall Street property are in foreclosure but no foreclosure judgment has been obtained against the Madison Avenue property.

''The settlement includes an acknowledgment by the parties involved that any monies paid the Philippines would be paid in recognition of its claim to a

constructive trust for monies stolen from the Philippines by Ferdinand Marcos, Imelda Marcos and others,'' Greenbaum said.

Other sources said much of the money would go to creditors, including the Security Pacific Mortgage and Real Estate Service Co. of Los Angeles, and attorneys, leaving the Philippine government with very little of the $50 million to $100 million in expected profit from the sales.

The Bernsteins will get $2.12 million of the first $10.75 million in profits and 40 percent of any remaining profits. A law firm representing Peterson will distribute the remaining 5 percent of any remaining profits, Greenbaum said.

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PARIS (DEC. 21) UPI - A meeting on a U.N. peace plan for Cambodia ran into a hitch Friday when Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen was rushed to hospital from the conference center after collapsing from what was called fatigue, conference sources said.

The Vietnamese-backed puppet leader was driven to the Val de Grace military hospital by ambulance from the Kleber Center near the Arc de Triomphe a short time after the conference participants finished lunch.

Conference sources said Hun Sen, who arrived from Cambodia early Thursday, was suffering from ''fatigue.''

People who were in the ambulance with Sen said he was conscious.

The meeting resumed despite the medical development and Cambodian Foreign Minister Hor Nam Hong took over as the head of the delegation from Phnom Penh.

However, the abrupt departure of Sen, a key figure in the talks, was seen by Western and Asian diplomats as a bad omen for the prospects of a breakthrough to end the Cambodian conflict.

The conference had opened with a stern warning from French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas that time was running out for the squabbling Cambodian factions to reach an agreement.

Some 150 Cambodians, including some Buddhist monks, demonstrated outside the meeting of the Cambodian National Supreme Council, scheduled to end Saturday.

Some of the demonstrators carried placards demanding ''peace for the Cambodians'' and expressing ''support for the U.N. plan'' to end the civil war in Cambodia.

The ''Supreme National Council'' is a body designed to represent Cambodian

sovereignty before elections for a new government.

''The international community cannot concentrate indefinitely on the fate of Cambodia,'' Dumas told the participants. France and Indonesia are co-presidents of the peace talks.

''Other priorities require and will require our attention,'' he said in an obvious reference to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Dumas stressed there was no alternative to a peaceful solution. ''A military victory is a gamble as uncertain as it is dangerous and shocking,'' he said.

A representative of the U.N. secretary-general, Raffeuddin Ahmed, is slated to present formally to the Supreme National Council a peace plan for Cambodia drafted the five U.N. Security Council permanent members in Paris Nov. 26.

In a statement released at the start of the session, Hun Sen said he was in favor of a U.N. role in the future of the country as it was ''necessary,'' but that this should be ''well-defined.''

Hun Sen said there should be guarantees to prevent the return to power of the Khmer Rouge.

Hun Sen's position appeared to be a slight softening of the stance by Phnom Penh toward a U.N. role in Cambodia.

Cambodian Communist Party leader Heng Samrin was quoted by the SPK news agency Wednesday as rejecting plans to put the country under U.N. protection and calling for a dissolution of the Khmer Rouge resistance.

Samrin was quoted as saying the party rejected what he said were efforts by the three-party resistance coalition to undermine the government that was installed by the 1978 Vietnamese invasion.

The party leader did not specifically mention the U.N. peace plan under discussion in Paris but appeared to be rejecting the plan, which calls for a massive U.N. transitional authority in Cambodia.

Khmer Rouge radio Thursday proclaimed full support for the U.N. peace plan and the Paris meeting.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - House Armed Services Committee Chairman Les Aspin said Friday sanctions are unlikley to hold long enough to get Iraq out of Kuwait and the best bet is diplomacy backed by the credible threat of war.

The influential Wisconsin Democrat, whose panel just finished three well-attended weeks of hearings on the Gulf crisis, laid out his views in a lecture at the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

His position could help focus opinion in a Congress where many in his party are demanding that the administration give economic sanctions additional time. The U.S. interests in the gulf, said Aspin, are vital and ''if all else fails, they are worth going to war for.''

Aspin said he concluded that relying on sanctions ''is not the answer'' because that while they are working well, ''keeping up the requisite political military and psychological pressure is the stumbling block. Can we keep the alliance together and focused - especially focused - long enough for sanctions to work politically? I judge the probability of that to be very low.''

''I judge the possibility of a diplomatic solution to be more promising. ... The test of a diplomatic solution is the extent of the compliance with the U.N. resolutions. A complete withdrawal by Saddam Hussein from Kuwait will be a victory almost regardless of what else is agreed upon around the edges. A partial withdrawal is only a partial victory,'' he said.

''Finally, we must mean what we say when we deal with the Saddam Husseins of the world. If the United States is to be credible in the post-Cold War world, if the United Nations is to be a useful vehicle for collective security, then we cannot shrink from the use of force. A future aggressor can ignore the U.N.'s next deadline if we ignore this one,'' he said.

While the basic requirements - Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and the return of the ruling Sabah family - are not negotiable items, Aspin suggested discussions on other things are possible, such as happened during the Cuban missile crisis.

''One of the things (Kennedy) did at the time was agree not to do something he wouldn't have done anyway - namely invade Cuba. (Secretary of State) Jim Baker has already said that if Saddam Hussein pulls out of Kuwait, we would not attack Iraq. This might offer a model for other things we might agree to not do. Something along this line might be enough to get Saddam to withdraw,'' he said.

Aspin also noted there is what he called ''the momentum of choices already made.''

Rightly or wrongly, said the veteran House member, the administration ''has embarked on a course of action likely to bring this crisis to a head and it has brought the military alliance along with it.''

The administration's time line, he said, ''runs to February and it's there for everyone to see, including Saddam Hussein.'' It is difficult, he said, to

''attempt to walk the administration back down that time line.''

Doing that, he said, ''could spell failure in the crisis. It could send a very dangerous message to Saddam Hussein and probably to the world. ... Having once given the signal that we are heading for a showdown sometime in late winter, we'd have to calculate carefully what it would cost to switch signals.''

Aspin argued ''that maintaining our credibility now is more important if we hope not to go to war than it would be if we planned today to blast Saddam out of Kuwait.''

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TIRANA, Albania (DEC. 21) UPI - Workers laboring before dawn tore down statues of Soviet dictator Josef Stalin across Albania Friday in the latest step by the Marxist regime to break with its hard-line communist heritage amid growing pressure for change, state-employed journalists said.

The government of President Ramiz Alia ordered the removal of the statues and other symbols and directed all state-owned institutions christened in honor of Stalin to drop his name.

An official statement said the regime had decided ''to deprive the state enterprises, objects and institutions bearing the name of J.V. Stalin of his name and to remove his symbols.''

The order came from the Politburo of the ruling Albania Party of Labor and was approved ''because the historic circumstances have changed since the time when decisions were adopted in our country to honor J.V. Stalin,'' the statement said.

''This decision immediately enters into force,'' it said.

A large crowd watched men wielding pickaxes and jackhammers tear apart the concrete pedestal on which a huge statue of Stalin had stood near Skanderbeg Square in the center of Tirana.

''This is the best news since the war,'' one onlooker remarked.

The statue, depicting a barrel-chested Stalin wearing a great coat with one hand inserted Napoleon-like between his lapels, was uprooted by a crane shortly after midnight and trucked away.

Left untouched on the opposite side of the street was a massive statue of the leader of the Communist revolution of 1917, Vladimir Lenin.

Another statue of Stalin, once hailed by Albania as one of history's greatest

leaders, was removed from outside a major textile factory that bears his name some 3 miles outside the city.

The statue, one of its sculpted arms stretched out as if pointing toward the future, was a symbol meant to exhort factory workers to make greater efforts to build socialism.

By afternoon Friday, all that was left of the statue was the twisted steel girder that had supported the figure.

Journalists at state-run Voice of the People radio said statues of Stalin were torn down before dawn from every village and town of what was Europe's most repressive police state.

The removal of the statues marked another step by the regime of Alia to break with its past and recast its harsh image under a program of political and economic reforms implemented earlier this year.

The program of change has been sped up in the past two weeks because of growing demands of people hungry for democracy.

Major towns were rocked Nov. 15-16 by anti-government riots that forced the deployment of troops backed by tanks. The unrest erupted during protests by workers increasingly restive over severe financial problems wrought by the country's Marxist-style command economy and decades of self-imposed isolation from most of the world.

On Wednesday, the ruling Albanian Party of Labor legalized independent political parties for the first time since the founding of the communist bastion in 1944 by Enver Hoxha, a dictator who ruled with an iron hand until his death in 1985. A statue of Hoxha was reportedly dynamited in the town of Shkoder during last week's disturbances.

The removal of Stalin's statues came hours after the fall of another symbol of the country's Stalinist era.

Hoxha's widow, Nexhemije, Thursday evening resigned from the leadership of the Democratic Front, which is the ruling party's political organization.

She said she was quitting because of her age, 69, but Hoxha has long been regarded as a doctrinaire Marxist opposed to reforms.

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TRENTON, N.J. (DEC. 21) UPI - Betty Peigelback has won an early Christmas present from the state of New Jersey - forgiveness of a $297,000 fine levied for alleged environmental violations at her Christmas ornament business.

''I guess they thought I was Ciba-Geigy and not a retired widow who made Christmas tree ornaments,'' Peigelback, 75, of Pine Beach said in a letter to Gov. Jim Florio, with copies to her local state legislators.

She suggested the ''bureaucrats of the state Department of Environmental Protection ... are well-intentioned but probably lack the common sense that unfortunately sometimes only appears with age.''

The fine was almost three times the $110,000 Peigelback, 75, received four years ago when she sold Woodland Manufacturing. She and her husband operated the company in Berkeley Heights with the help of a couple of part-time workers.

''I am really at my wit's end,'' she told the governor. ''The fine will bankrupt me and destroy the few years of retirement that I wanted so much to enjoy. Governor, please save me from the DEP.''

Peigelback's plea was referred to DEP Commissioner Judith Yaskin, who withdrew the fine.

Peigelback ran afoul of New Jersey's Environmental Cleanup Responsiblity Act, which requires industrial sites to be certified as free of environmental hazards when they are sold, transferred or closed. The law, one of the stiffest in the country, can create hardship for mom-and-pop companies operating on property that may have been fouled years ago by previous owners.

''Unfortunately, our people were looking at the technical aspect of the law and not the human aspect,'' said DEP spokesman John Hagerty.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 21) UPI - Soviet soldiers of different cultures opened fire against each other in a western Ukraininan town, and 21 soldiers were hospitalized, the official Tass news agency said Friday.

The shooting in the town of Chop on the Hungarian and Czechoslovakian border broke out Thursday night and involved Armenians, Azerbaijainis, Uzbeks, Turkmens and Chechens, Tass said. All are Moslems except the Armenians who are Christians.

A weapons arsenal was assaulted, and the officers who came to the site of the skirmish were then attacked, Tass said.

''Twenty-one soldiers were hospitalized with serious injuries, and nine of them had bullet wounds,'' it said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Friday	1022.3
Thursday	1021.4
Week ago	1022.3
Month ago	1027.4
Year ago	1056.7
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1007.8

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - National security affairs adviser Brent Scowcroft said Friday the U.S. ''will not blink'' in the confrontation with Iraq's Saddam Hussein but ''January 15 is not an attack day.''

Scowcroft made the remarks in an interview with wire service reporters as the White House moved into a yuletide vacation mode with President Bush preparing to spend the holidays at Camp David.

Responding to questions concerning the countdown with Iraq under the U.N. demand that it withdraw its forces from Kuwait by Jan. 15, he said, ''January 15 is not an attack day at all. It is a deadline by which he ought to be out'' of neighboring Kuwait which he invaded last Aug. 2.

Asked if there could be an attack on Iraq on Jan. 16, he replied ''of course.''

Scowcroft, a retired Air Force general, told reporters that what the deadline tells Saddam Hussein ''is that he better get moving now.''

''What it doesn't say,'' he added, ''is that he is going to be attacked this date or that date. What it says is that he is at risk under the mandate of the U.N. Security Council.''

''What I'm saying is the 15th doesn't mean that the troops and aircraft start to move on the 15th,'' he explained. ''It's an authorization date for the use of all measures, and that obviously is the use of force.''

The specific date has caused confusion in some circles with suggestions that the U.S. would take military action on that day.

Asked if Bush had made a decision in his own mind on his next move if Saddam Hussein does not pull out, he said: ''I think the president is determined to reverse Saddam Hussein's aggression. Right now he's bending all his efforts to try to get him (Saddam) to realize what he faces and to pull his forces out.''

''What we're trying to get across to him (Saddam) is that we haven't blinked so far,'' Scowcroft said. ''We're not blinking now and we will not blink. Let's just leave it there.''

Scowcroft insisted ''We're not pointing toward war. What we're trying to do is to make it clear to Saddam Hussein what it is he faces - that is a clear demand by the world community, as represented by the security council and that he do it by a specific time.''

The augmentation of forces, expected to go as high as 400,000 troops, in the Persian Gulf area,''underscore that if necessary we will carry out the security council resolution,'' he said.

Meantime, Bush's proposal that he meet with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz and Secretary of State James Baker travel to Baghdad is stalled in a tug of war over dates for the visits.

Scowcroft did not rule out the possibility that talks still could be held, saying ''I don't know.''

But he said Saddam has tried to use the talks ''for manipulation rather than direct dialogue. We're doing our best... the president's idea was one more attempt to convince him,'' he added..

''There's still a lot of doubt in our minds that Saddam Hussein takes this thing seriously,''Scowcroft said. ''That is the chief danger of conflict.''

As for the duration if war breaks out, Scowcroft said that the president wants to have enough troops and military strength on had to ''enable it to be prosecuted swiftly.''

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WASHINGTON (UPI)- Israel's ambassador to the United States, Zalman Shoval, said Friday the U.S. vote supporting a U.N. resolution condemning Israeli treatment of the Palestinians may cause lasting harm to the relations between Washington and Jerusalem.

Shoval was referring to the vote in the United Nations Security Council Thursday which condemned Israeli actions, including the deportations of some prominent Palestinians, which were described as a violation of international law.

In an interview with United Press International, Shoval said he wasn't surprised by the actions of the United Nations ''because we don't expect anything more of the U.N., which is taking part in a rising tide of

anti-semitism.''

But, he said, ''What does concern me is the vote by the United States. I'm worried about the stance that the United States has taken.''

He said the U.S. vote was a mistake, morally, politically and diplomatically.

Morally, he said it was a mistake because the resolution was unbalanced and made no mention of violence against Israelis and the omission will harm the U.S. hopes ''of taking the high moral ground in every issue.''

Politically, it was a mistake, he said, because it will send the wrong signal to Israel's enemies, particularly the radical Islamic fundamentalists who are becoming more active in the occupied territories. He said, ''It hurts Israel's security.''

Diplomatically, he said it will be harmful for the U.S. effort to eventually get a peace process back on track in the Arab-Israeli negotiations.

''There are people in Israel,'' he said, ''who are going to say, 'how can we go forward with the peace process, and the risks that it entails, if we are isolated from the United States?'''

The vote by the United States, he said, ''can only hurt relations between us.''

A senior administration official said that the American vote was consistent with U.S. policy ''and doesn't do anything we didn't want to do.''

The official pointed out that the U.S. maneuvering headed off the Arab demand for an immediate international conference on the Middle East, something that was strongly opposed by the Israeli government.

Shoval said the United States appeared to have been based on a desire to satisfy the Arab countries which are taking part in the coalition against Iraq in the Gulf Crisis.

The administration official said that the United States is interested in keeping that alliance together in order to force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, but he pointed out that the U.N. resolution did not make any direct linkage between the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait and the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza.

The administration official said the United States also wanted to make the point publicly that it had been making privately to the Israeli government: that the use of live ammunition by Israeli troops is not the way to handle demonstrations and stone-throwing by Palestinians.

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BRUSSELS (DEC. 21) UPI - The Confederation of European Corn Producers Friday accused the European Community of giving in to U.S. blackmail in deciding to extend for one year privileged access for U.S. corn and sorghum to Spain.

The EC council of ministers agreed Friday with an executive Commission proposal to extend for one year imports of two million tons of corn and 300,000 tons of sorghum at reduced import levies from the United States.

After Spain joined the EC in 1986, the United States threatened to impose forbidding import duties on a series of EC goods because it would lose part of its export market for farm goods in Spain, which had to apply from then on the Community system of preference for EC products and of imposition of import levies on farm goods from non-member states.

To solve the crisis, the EC and the United States agreed on the European proposal to grant US exports of corn and sorghum preferential treatment for four years.

The agreement runs out at the end of this year and the United States had threatened to impose the import duties on EC farm goods if no solution was found.

"The EC has unconditionally surrendered to the economic blackmail exercised by the Americans," a statement from the Confederation of European Corn Producers said.

"It has authorized the United States to export corn to Spain under privileged conditions to the detriment of Community preference. The CECP is indignant because the trade blackmail used by the United States has proved effective and has made the EC give in," it said. The CECP said that in spite of Spain's entry into the EC, the United States had more than doubled its trade balance surplus with that country since 1987.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - LIPPER MUTUAL FUND INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

At close

Dec. 20, 1990
Lipper Fund Indexes:

	Close	PC Chg Y-T-D	PC Chg Wk

Growth	460.65	off	5.18	up	0.33
Growth & Income	715.50	off	5.66	up	0.18
Balanced	466.65	off	5.88	up	0.02
Average Fund Performances:					
Capital Appreciation (142)		off	8.49	up	0.20
Growth (265)		off	5.88	up	0.20
Small Co. Growth (84)		off	11.39	up	0.41
Growth & Income (207)		off	4.95	up	0.12
Equity Income (68)		off	6.43	up	0.04
Average 766 Equity		off	6.80	up	0.19
Health/Biotech (9)		up	17.34	off	1.15
Natural Resources (19)		off	8.83	up	0.48
Environmental (5)		off	9.76	up	0.10
Science & Technology (23)		off	3.77	up	0.60
Specialty/Misc (30)		off	12.23	up	0.73
Utility (15)		off	1.62	up	0.05
Financial Services (9)		off	15.06	up	1.28
Real Estate (6)		off	16.77	off	1.14
Option Income (10)		off	3.47	up	0.19
Global (45)		off	9.96	off	2.05
International (60)		off	11.19	off	3.15
European Region (19)		off	3.50	off	3.81
Pacific Region (18)		off	18.19	off	2.76
Gold Oriented (36)		off	25.23	up	4.61
Average All Equity (1065)		off	7.85	off	0.04
Flexible Portfolio (48)		off	1.54	up	0.10
Global Flexible Port (11)		off	4.01	off	0.65
Balanced (64)		off	0.46	off	0.05
Convertible Security (31)		off	8.12	up	0.15
Mixed Income (13)		up	0.59	off	0.08
Income (4)		off	7.89	off	0.24
World Income (54)		up	12.81	off	0.81
Fixed Income (543)		up	3.78	off	0.31
Average 1838 Funds		off	3.35	off	0.14
Median 1838 Funds		off	3.00	off	0.10
Unmanaged Market Indicators:					
DJ Industrial	2,629.46	off	4.49	up	0.58
S&P 500	330.12	off	6.59	up	0.24
S&P 400	386.00	off	4.34	up	0.15
NYSE Composite	180.32	off	7.55	up	0.14
Amex	306.49	off	18.92	off	0.07

(Fund calculations include reinvestment of income dividends and capital gains distributions; other indicators do not. Averages include only funds in existence since the beginning of the year. Fund totals - figures in parenthesis - may include some with net asset values unavailable at time of compilation.)

Source: Lipper Analytical Securities Corp.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - The wail of air-raid sirens broke the stillness of the air over Baghdad, Iraq, today. But it was only a drill. Witnesses later quoted by Cairo Radio disagreed on whether an estimated one-Million Baghdad residents actually took part, as Iraq said. All of this comes as Saddam Hussein prepares Iraqi civilians for any eventuality by January 15th. That's the U-N-set deadline for Iraq to leave occupied Kuwait or face the real possibility of being forced out militarily.

Few details are coming out of Moscow following meetings between Soviet President Gorbachev and Eduard Shevardnadze , who suddenly resigned yesterday as foreign minister. The talks were called ''business-like and detailed,'' a form of diplomatic shorthand for ''tense.'' Shevardnadze continues to work in his Foreign Ministry office, but there are NO signs that he will take back the resignation that stunned the world yesterday.

Statues of Joseph Stalin are disappearing in Albania, an ultra- Stalinist nation that once broke relations with Moscow when Stalin came under attack in his own homeland. Orders to remove the statues brought work crews out into the pre-dawn darkness in towns and villages across Albania. One statue in the capital of Tirana fell victim to pickaxes and jackhammers and the only thing eventually left was the twisted steel girder that once supported the figure. All of this comes two days after the ruling Albanian Party of Labor legalized opposition political parties for the first time since 1944.

British Prime Minister John Major is in Washington, D-C, for his first talks with President Bush since replacing Margaret Thatcher. Major and his wife Norma will spend the first full night of their visit at the presidential retreat at Camp David in the Maryland mountains. He also will meet with Vice President Quayle and congressional leaders.

Authorities in Athens say a strong earthquake hit northern Greece early today, killing a woman whose house collapsed and injuring at least 60 people, including a boy whose Christmas tree fell on him. Athens seismologists reported measuring the quake at five-point-five on the open-ended Richter scale. The epicenter was put about 190 miles north of Athens. The U-S Geological Survey in Golden, Colorado, said the quake measured six-point-one on the Richter scale.

A teary-eyed mother testified in Kuala Lumpur yesterday that she believed her son smoked marijuana to alleviate pain, echoing earlier testimony from an American psychiatrist. 62-year-old retired college teacher Virginia Wiley testified at the drug trial of her son, Kerry Lane Wiley. He is the first American to face the death penalty under tough Malaysian drug laws.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 21) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Feb	76.70	76.85	76.45	76.57	76.60
Apr	76.53	76.68	76.28	76.38	76.53
Jun	74.35	74.60	74.25	74.30	74.35
Aug	72.97	73.05	72.65	72.68	72.82
Oct	72.85	73.18	72.82	72.82	72.88
Dec	74.10	74.13	73.80	73.80	73.82
Feb	74.25	74.25	74.25	74.25	....

Est. sales 7,520 contracts; Thursday 12,158; open interest: 68,653 up 3,082.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	88.75	88.82	88.47	88.63	88.65
Mar	86.22	86.47	85.93	86.05	86.22
Apr	84.85	85.00	84.40	84.55	84.65
May	83.50	83.80	83.35	83.55	83.45
Aug	83.45	83.60	83.18	83.22	83.05
Sep	82.88	83.00	82.70	82.70	82.68
Oct	82.70	82.85	82.53	82.53	82.53
Nov	....	82.80	82.65	82.50	82.50

Est. sales 1,164 contracts; Thursday 794; open interest: 12,024 up 93.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	49.40	49.58	49.05	49.08	49.25
Apr	47.55	47.88	47.38	47.50	47.38
Jun	50.90	51.85	50.83	51.55	50.70
Jul	50.85	52.00	50.85	51.75	50.80
Aug	49.60	49.95	49.53	49.95	49.38
Oct	44.65	44.83	44.65	44.65	44.20
Dec	....	....	....	45.20	45.00

Est. sales 6,260 contracts; Thursday 4,078; open interest: 23,799 off 404.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	64.45	65.80	64.15	64.63	64.07
Mar	64.10	65.55	63.95	64.38	63.85
May	64.50	65.80	64.30	64.55	64.30
Jul	64.40	65.60	64.10	64.30	64.38
Aug	62.90	63.65	62.30	62.30	62.35

Est. sales 3,633 contracts; Thursday 3,546; open interest: 12,422 off 201.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Friday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 129.82 up 23 cents, 700- 850 lbs. 128.87 up 17 cents;

select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.45 up 44 cents, 700-850 lbs. 119.02 up 55 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins sharply higher; Boston butts not fully established; skinned hams firm to 4.00 higher; seedless bellies firm to 1.00 higher; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 110. 00; Boston butts 4-8 lbs. 85.00; hams 14-17 lbs. 72.00, 17-20 lbs. 67.00-69.00, 20-26 lbs. 65. 00-71.00; hams 14-17 lbs. 75.50; bellies 12-14 lbs. 58.00-59.00, 14-16 lbs. 58.00-59.00, 18-20 lbs. 47.50, 20-25 lbs. 44.00.

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BONN, Germany (DEC. 21) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said in an interview broadcast Friday that his troops will not pull out of Kuwait before the Jan. 15 deadline set by the United Nations.

He also said in the interview with ZDF-German television that President Bush would not be able to fight Iraq for long, because ''he is such a bad leader.''

But he said, ''From our side, the door to dialogue remains open.''

Asked whether his troops would withdraw from Kuwait before Jan. 15, Saddam said, without hesitation: ''No. I tell you, in a war there would be many losses, not only human lives. Also for those who say 'Yes' to war. Allah is on our side, therefore, we will defeat the aggressors.''

''I am convinced that every human being is a good fighter when his rights are concerned. Also the Americans. Then, everyone will use his weapons as well as he can. We have gone through wars and know that soldiers break down after some time if they are not fighting for a just cause,'' he told ZDF-German television.

''We are certain that even if Bush pushes his country into this war, which he is now planning, he will not be able to carry this through,'' Saddam told the interviewer.

''At the latest when 5,000 Americans have fallen, Bush will have to end such a war. Not because there are not enough of his soldiers, but because he is a bad leader.''

''He is sending soldiers to their deaths without reason. They could survive if he would talk to us,'' Saddam said about Bush.

A ZDF spokesman said the interview was conducted Thursday night in the Iraqi capital of Baghdad.

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#90355u0947 12/21/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - The government spent $48 billion more than it received in November, bringing the deficit to $79.5 billion during the first two months of the fiscal year, the Treasury Department said Friday.

Total government spending last month reached $120.8 billion while government receipts totaled $72.8 billion. For the first two months of the fiscal year, the government has spent $231 billion while receiving $151.5 billion.

Spending for defense, fueled largely by the U.S. military response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, topped the government's spending in November with expenses of $29 billion. So far this year, defense spending has totaled $53.1 billion, up from $43.7 billion in the year-earlier period.

The Treasury forecast the federal deficit for the current spending year, which ends next Sept. 30 at $176.3 billion, compared with last year's deficit of $202.3 billion. Total government spending was forecast to top $1.3 trillion this year. To finance its monthly deficit, the government borrowed $46.7 billion from the public last month and reduced its operating expenses $12.5 billion.

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#90355u0970 12/21/1990 ~United Press International
SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 21) UPI - A state court of appeal has rejected the latest effort to upset Proposition 13, California's 1978 property tax-slashing ballot measure.

The 1st District Court of Appeal on Thursday rejected claims by Macy's department store chain that provisions of Proposition 13 were unconstitutional because owners of comparable real estate often pay widely varying property taxes, depending on when the property was purchased.

New York-based R.H. Macy & Co. and two subsidiaries sued in Contra Costa County Superior Court over the tax assessment of the Macy's store at the Sun Valley Mall in Concord, Calif.

Although Macy's had owned the store since 1967, a corporate reorganization in 1986 counted as a change of ownership under Proposition 13. The property taxes soared and Macy's sued. The taxes rose from $44,000 to $117,000 a year, 2.5 times the rate paid by competitors Sears and J.C. Penney at the same mall.

Macy's had asked the appeal court to declare the differing rates unconstitutional and order a rollback of the Sun Valley store's rates to the 1975 level.

The California Supreme Court ruled in 1978 that such differences do not violate the equal protection clause of the U.S. Constitution. Macy's countered

that a U.S. Supreme Court decision last year nullified the state court action.

The state Court of Appeal rejected Macy's argument, saying the federal decision had no bearing. A state Court of Appeal in Los Angeles rejected a similar argument two weeks ago. Charles Ajalat, Macy's attorney, said he planned to appeal the ruling to the California Supreme Court.

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#90355u0979 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 21) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Friday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Mar	2.61 1/4	2.62	2.60 1/2	2.61 1/2	2.60 1/2
May	2.68 1/2	2.69 1/2	2.67 3/4	2.68 1/4	2.67 1/2
Jly	2.71 1/2	2.72 3/4	2.70 3/4	2.75 3/4	2.71 1/4
Sep	2.78 1/4	2.79	2.77 1/2	2.78	2.77 1/4
Dec	2.90	2.90 1/4	2.90	2.90 1/4	2.90
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Mar	2.34 3/4	2.35	2.33 3/4	2.34	2.34 1/2
May	2.41 3/4	2.42 1/4	2.41 1/4	2.41 3/4	2.42
Jly	2.48 1/2	2.48 1/2	2.47 1/4	2.47 3/4	2.48
Sep	2.49 1/4	2.49 1/4	2.48 3/4	2.49	2.49
Dec	2.50	2.50 1/2	2.49	2.49 3/4	2.49 3/4
Mar	2.56 1/2	2.56 3/4	2.56	2.56 3/4	2.56 1/2
May	2.62 1/4	2.62 1/4	2.62 1/4	2.62 1/4	2.62
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Mar	1.12 1/2	1.12 3/4	1.11	1.11 1/4	1.12 1/2
May	1.18	1.18 1/4	1.17	1.17 1/4	1.17 3/4
Jly	1.18	1.18 1/4	1.17	1.23	1.17 3/4
Sep	1.28 1/2	1.28 1/2	1.28 1/2	1.28 1/2	1.28 1/2
Dec	1.37	1.37	1.37	1.37	1.37
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Jan	5.72	5.72 3/4	5.62 1/2	5.62 3/4	5.70 3/4
Mar	5.85 1/2	5.87 3/4	5.77	5.77 1/4	5.85 3/4
May	6.00 1/2	6.02	5.91 1/2	5.92 1/4	6.00 3/4
Jly	6.13 1/2	6.15	6.07	6.07 1/2	6.13 1/4
Aug	6.17 1/2	6.18	6.11	6.11	6.16 1/2
Sep	6.13	6.13 1/2	6.08	6.07	6.11 1/2
Nov	6.15 1/2	6.16	6.10	6.09 1/2	6.15 1/4
Jan	6.27	6.28	6.22	6.21 1/2	6.26 1/2
Mar	6.36	6.36	6.35	6.34	6.38

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Jan	20.78	20.90	20.75	20.79	20.83
Mar	21.16	21.28	21.14	21.21	21.22
May	21.50	21.62	21.47	21.55	21.52
Jul	21.70	21.83	21.68	21.83	21.71
Aug	21.68	21.75	21.68	21.72	21.65
Sep	21.60	21.75	21.60	21.70	21.65
Oct	21.65	21.75	21.65	21.72	21.57
Dec	21.55	21.80	21.50	21.71	21.60
Jan	21.50	21.60	....	21.55	21.52

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Jan	169.20	169.80	164.50	164.70	169.20
Mar	174.20	175.00	169.80	170.00	174.40
May	178.50	179.00	174.20	174.30	178.60
Jul	182.30	183.00	178.40	178.50	182.30
Aug	183.50	184.50	180.00	180.20	183.50
Sep	183.50	184.00	180.00	180.00	183.50
Oct	184.00	184.00	181.00	181.20	183.00
Dec	185.50	185.50	183.50	183.50	186.00
Jan	181.00	182.00	....	181.50	184.50

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#90355u0980 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

BUCHAREST, Romania (DEC. 21) UPI - Some 20,000 demonstrators demanding the resignation of the government filled central Bucharest Friday to honor those killed a year ago when shooting broke out in the capital during the revolution.

The crowd shouted anti-government slogans such as, ''Iliescu it was you, who shot us after 22,'' an accusation that current President Ion Iliescu orchestrated the shooting to order to emerge as the hero of the revolution the following day.

Demonstrators calling for Iliescu's resignation packed University Square from mid-morning until nightfall, singing reveolutionary songs and kneeling in prayer in commemoration of the dead.

Official figures say 1,033 were killed across the country during the revolt, which toppled the dictatorship of President Nicolae Ceausescu. He and his wife Elena were executed on Christmas Day.

After dark, candles were lighted at shrines in every corner of the square, and the people knelt and bowed their heads as the names of more than 100 victims of the shooting were read out over loudspeakers.

The ruling National Salvation Front had appealed for the demonstration to be canceled.

Some felt the day was a last-ditch attempt to express discontent with the government.

''Something will have to happen,'' said waiter Ion Pop, who was working part-time as a taxi driver to buy meat for his children. ''Things can't go on as they are. People simply have no money.''

He said now that the government liberalized prices several months ago, the coat he is wearing would cost a month's salary.

In Parliament on Friday morning, opposition Peasant Party leader and former presidential candidate Ion Ratiu regaled the events of the past year.

''One totalitarian regime has been replaced by another,'' he said.

Two senators from the National Salvation Front, Dan Iosef and Gelu Voican, who were present at the front's first appearance on Dec. 22, 1989, were chased out of the square by the crowd, who hammered on the roof of their car as it sped away.

In late afternoon, as Christmas lights and huge floodlights lighted the square the crowd waved and cheered to one of the Romanian princesses, Princess Margaret, daughter of the exiled King Michael.

She waved from a hotel window to the delight of the crowd.

The present rulers of Romania have failed to explain who was shooting who in the revolution, which lasted more than a week and resulted in the emergence of the National Salvation Front which was subsequently returned to power in May elections.

The government has organzied six public commemorations Saturday at various points in the city where fighting was heavy. They include Victory, Palace and Roman squares in the morning and the TV station, cemetery and the Military Academy in the afternoon.

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#90355u0990 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 21) UPI - Speculation that troubled Orion Pictures may be sold to a foreign buyer rose again Friday on a report that Hong Kong investor Raymond Chow may make a bid for the studio's motion picture arm.

Orion's stock, which has been gaining this week on the rumors, was up 25 cents to $14.50 a share in early afternoon trading on the New York Stock Exchange. It had opened at $12.875 a share Monday.

Chow controls Golden Harvest Films, which produced the surprise hit "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" earlier this year. The movie, released through New Line Cinema, has grossed more than $133 million this year and trails only "Ghost" and "Pretty Woman" in ticket sales.

Rumors have also identified Chicago-based Tribune Co. as a prospective buyer for Orion's television arm. A spokesman for Orion refused to comment on the reports.

Orion, which is 70 percent owned by billionaire John Kluge, has been the focus of takeover speculation for most of this year. But some analysts doubt that many potential buyers are interested, since Orion is saddled with close to $400 million in debt and has been posted poor earnings this year.

The most attractive parts of the company are its distribution network and its 800-film library, which includes "Amadeus," "Platoon," "RoboCop," a number of Woody Allen movies and the "Cagney & Lacey" TV series.

Orion, which had revenues of about $485 million last year, is the smallest of the eight major Hollywood studios. It had been on a losing streak of more than a year as its major films flopped until it released "Dances With Wolves" last month. The three-hour film is expected to garner several Oscar nominations and has grossed more than $40 million in seven weeks of release.

"One could make a strategic argument that Orion would be attractive to someone like Chow, but it is encumbered with debt," said entertainment analyst Paul Marsh of Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards of Los Angeles.

"The key advantage for Chow would be that he would not have to use New Line to get films distributed," Marsh said. New Line was reported to have paid Golden Harvest $3 million for the domestic distribution rights to "Turtles."

Earlier this month, Orion's stock jumped from $13 to more than $15 a share after a report that Korean electronics gaint Samsung Group was considering buying it for about $300 million and making a cash infusion of $500 million. The stock fell after Samsung denied the report.

If Orion were acquired by a foreign buyer, it would become the fifth studio to fall out of American control, assuming Matsushita Electric Industrial Co.'s pending $6.6 billion buyout of MCA Inc. goes through.

Other studios that have been acquired by foreign interests include MGM/UA, bought in November by Italian financier Giancarlo Parretti for $1.4 billion; Columbia Pictures, bought by Sony Corp. last year for $5 billion, and Twentieth Century Fox, acquired several years ago by Australia-based News Corp.

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#90355u0993 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Gold futures closed Friday 230 to 270 points lower on the New York Commodity Exchange.

Comex Gold - 100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	385.00	385.30	380.00	382.50	385.20
Jan	383.50	....	....	383.50	385.90
Feb	386.20	387.80	380.80	384.30	386.70
Apr	389.60	391.00	384.30	387.70	390.00
Jun	393.80	394.80	388.10	391.30	393.70
Aug	395.80	395.80	394.70	394.70	397.10
Oct	398.10	....	....	398.10	400.50
Dec	404.10	404.10	398.00	401.60	404.00
Feb	405.40	....	....	405.40	407.70
Apr	409.00	....	....	409.00	411.30
Jun	412.80	....	....	412.80	415.10
Aug	416.70	....	....	416.70	419.00

Open interest: 109,673 off 518.

Estimated sales: 35,000 contracts.

-30- 965

#90355u1003 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 21) UPI - Soybean and soybean meal prices tumbled during the final minutes of trading and were sharply lower at the close on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Professionals were aggressive sellers amid concern over the situation in the Soviet Union following the resignation of the Foreign Minister. The main worry is the possibility of delays in implementing the export credit package.

Several contract lows were established in soybeans and meal. January beans fell to $5.62 per bushel and closed at $5.62 3/4, down 8 cents on the day.

Soybean meal continued under pressure on the lack of export business and an increase in meal supplies during November.

Grain futures were narrowly mixed in light pre-holiday trading.

Wheat had underlying support from the offer of 2 million tons of export bonus wheat to Egypt and the possibility of damage to the winter wheat crop because of the cold weather in the Wheat Belt.

The purchase of 951,000 tons of corn this week by the Soviet Union kept a floor under corn prices.

Country movement was light.

At the close, corn was off 1/2 to up 1/4, soybeans down 4 to 8 1/2, wheat up 1/4 to 1 1/2 and oats unchanged to down 3/4.

-30- 1356

#90355u1040 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Friday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	385.75 up 5.75
Morning fixing	383.25 off 2.50
Afternoon fixing	383.75 off 2.00
Close	383.50 off 2.25
Paris	383.21 off 2.32
Zurich	384.00 off 0.75
Hong Kong	382.85 up 0.40
New York	
Comex spot close	382.50 off 2.70
Republic cash	381.50 off 2.25
Handy and Harman	383.75 off 1.70

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 385.05 off 1.70 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 404.30 off 1.80 per troy ounce.

Silver	
Comex spot close	4.025 off 0.174
Republic cash	4.035 off 0.165

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.03 per fine ounce off 0.14

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.03 off 0.13 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.312 off 0. 139

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 418.00 off 6.00 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 518.00 off 6.00.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 89.50 off 0.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 104.50 off 0.50.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

-30- 1614

#90355u1054 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, POLAND (DEC. 21) UPI - President-elect Lech Walesa arrived by plane Friday with his family for his formal weekend inauguration ceremony amid growing troubles in formation of a new government.

Walesa, who won the presidency in an election Dec. 9, will be sworn in Saturday. He is to receive the presidential insignia not from outgoing communist President Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, but from Ryszard Kaczorowski, the president of the London-based Polish government-in- exile.

The Soviet-built Tu-154 plane landed in the Warsaw military airport in a freezing rain after a 35-minute flight from Gdansk. Reporters were not allowed to enter the airport.

A motorcade of 14 cars with the founder of the Solidarity trade union and his wife Danuta in a bulletproof Volvo 740 pulled up at their residence in downtown Warsaw near Belweder Palace, which will be his office.

Walesa, smiling and flashing his familiar ''V'' sign for victory, got out of the car and quickly entered the villa followed by Danuta.

He did not respond to queries whether he was in Warsaw early for consultations on the formation of a new government.

Their four sons and a daughter-in-law also arrived in Warsaw, as well as Walesa's brother Stanislaw.

Spokesman Andrzej Drzycimski declined to brief reporters on Walesa's schedule. The whole party began having lunch and the reporters, angry over being what they considered snubbed, left the premises.

Later in a telephone conversation, Drzycimski said Walesa and his associates will not have any consultations Friday. He said their goal was to work out technical details dealing with the swearing-in ceremony Saturday.

''The consultations will begin Saturday evening and Sunday,'' Drzycimski said.

Walesa has been unable to find anyone willing to be prime minister. Lawyer Jan Olszewski gave up his efforts to form a government after nearly two weeks of consultations, citing ''significant differences'' with Walesa, and economist Jan Krzyszt of Bielecki is also believed to have quit the mission.

Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki and his government resigned last week after he came in third in the election that Walesa won.

The National Assembly - composed of the Sejm, or lower house of legislature, and the Senate - will convene for the swearing-in of Walesa during a ceremony attended by Kaczorowski, who agreed to come to Poland to hand over the presidential insignia to Walesa.

The government-in-exile has not been recognized by the United States, England or France even though Poland was an ally of the West during World War II. The Western powers instead recognized the Polish communist puppet government formed in Moscow, which was considered by the majority of Poles as a betrayal.

In a statement released in London, Kaczorowski said the government- in-exile could end its mission because Poland was free now.

''Giving the office of president and the related insignia to Lech Walesa in the Warsaw Royal castle Saturday, I will confide entire, independent, free, democratic and just Poland to his care,'' he said.

Jaruzelski said he would not attend the swearing-in ceremony, apparently a move to express his displeasure over Walesa's intention to take the insignia from Kaczorowski.

-30- 3492

#90355u1061 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Friday unchanged to 1 point lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.65	9.69	9.62	9.67	9.67
May	9.74	9.78	9.72	9.76	9.76
Jly	9.77	9.81	9.77	9.80	9.80
Oct	9.79	9.84	9.77	9.83	9.83
Mar	9.87	9.92	9.85	9.85	9.86

Estimated sales: 3,275 contracts

Open interest: 107,351 off 251

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.66

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Friday 4 points higher to 6 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	22.30	22.38	22.30	22.36	22.32
May	22.44	22.50	22.44	22.47	22.46
Jly	22.56	22.60	22.56	22.58	22.57
Sep	22.57	22.60	22.57	22.58	22.58
Nov	22.56	22.60	22.56	22.58	22.57
Jan	22.45	....	....	22.69	22.75
Mar	22.49	....	....	22.63	22.69

Estimated sales: 1,290 contracts

Open interest: 12,079 up 935

-30- 1198
#90355u1065 12/21/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (DEC. 21) UPI - The Chicago Mercantile Exchange plans to resume trading broiler futures Feb. 7, 1991, but the contract specifications have been revised from the one that was discontinued in 1982, the exchange said Friday.

Regulatory approval was received Thursday from the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. The new contract will be cash-settled based on the Agriculture Department's 12-city composite weighted average. The average represents 40,000 pounds of U.S. Grade A, plant-graded chill-packed and whole broilers without giblets.

Chicken futures were traded at the CME from 1962 to 1963 and broilers from 1979 to 1982. Both were based on physical delivery of the commodity. The cash settlement of the new contract is expected to eliminate the problems inherent in making or taking delivery of the commodity.

Contract months will be February, April, May, June, July, August, October, and December. Speculative limits allow traders to hold 2,000 contracts with a limit of 500 contracts in any specific contract month.

"We are very optimistic about the expected success of the new contract and the opportunities it will provide to both hedgers and speculators as part of the CME's livestock mix," Timothy Brennan, CME governor and chairman of the Broiler Committee at the Merc.

Both ConAgra and Goldkist were instrumental in development of the contract, and the National Broiler council gave the specifications unanimous approval, the CME said in a statement.

-30- 1693
#90355u1084 12/21/1990 ~United Press International
CHICAGO (DEC. 21) UPI - Friday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.41 1/2-2.46 1/2 up 1.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.57 3/4- 5.60 3/4 off 8.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.24-2.27 off 1/2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.34-2.38 off 1/2 to unchanged.

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#90355u1095 12/21/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 21) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in heavy trading.

Bonds - Higher.

American Stocks - Higher in active trading.

London Stocks - Closed slightly higher in light pre-holiday trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed lower in light trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies in thin trading.

Gold Futures - Lower.

Cotton - Mostly lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed off 1/2 to up 1/4, soybeans down 4 to 8 1/2, wheat up 1/4 to 1 1/2 and oats unchanged to down 3/4 cent.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90355u1100 12/21/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 21) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

Cocoa - $8 to $14 a ton higher for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.25 cent to 2.05 cent a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.35 cent higher to 0.35 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.06 cent higher to 0.48 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $2.30 to $2.70 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $11.50 to $11.70 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.85 cent higher to 3.60 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 17.4 to 19 cents an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - unchanged to 0.001 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

-30- 978

#90355u1105 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR (DEC. 21) UPI - The Salvadoran army will deploy half of its 55,000 troops in a stepped-up military campaign against leftist rebels to maintain stability during the Christmas holiday, the military said Friday.

''The armed forces are expanding military operations and ground and air patrols throughout the country to guarantee the security of the country during the Christmas and New Year holidays,'' an army spokesman told United Press International.

But the spokesman said the army is ready to join a cease fire if rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, or FMLN, stop fighting.

Rebels launched what they call a limited offensive Nov. 20 to force the government of President Alfredo Cristiani to make concessions in peace talks aimed at ending 11 years of civil war that has left more than 72,000 people dead, mostly civilians.

The FMLN has announced a limited cease fire only in San Salvador and only for 24 hours on Christmas and New Years day.

The military will concentrate most of its efforts in the border province of Chalatenango, about 30 miles north of the capital, which has been one of the most bloody fighting zones since rebels launched the offensive.

Two weeks ago some 200 Salvadoran troops in Chalatenango were forced by rebels to flee to Honduras for safety after a day of fighting.

After the incident the army increased the number of troops it stations in the province and has not had a confrontation with rebels since the deployment.

Recent fighting also has been concentrated in the province of Usulutan, about 60 miles east of San Salvador. The army said it has deployed more soldiers in the area because of the ''persistent guerrilla presence.''

The only fighting reported Friday occurred in the town of Guazapa, 18 miles

north of San Salvador. The military said two soldiers were killed and four others injured when rebels through an explosive device at a military transport truck.

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#90355u1108 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - The United States cut off military aid to Guatemala Friday because that nation's government has failed to prosecute military suspects in human rights cases, the State Department said Friday.

In a statement, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher cited the implication of military men in the Dec. 1 slaying of 14 civilians and the killing of American hotel owner, Michael Devine, last June.

''The recent shooting of civilians in Atitlan is a vivid illustration of the violence which continues to plague the country,'' Boucher said. There are military suspects in that case, but none have been tried, he said.

Six suspects, all from the military, have been linked to the killing of Devine but the case has ''neither been resolved or moved ahead,'' said Boucher.

As a result, Boucher said that the United States was disappointed with the ''lack of commitment'' by the government of Guatemala on human rights and has concluded that ''it would not be appropriate'' to continue military aid.

''We will therefore stop deliveries of military assistance,'' Boucher said.

This year, U.S. military aid to Guatemala totals $2.9 million. In addition, aid from previous years still in the pipeline will be stopped. Payments under the economic assistance program totaling to $119.6 million will continue.

''While recognizing that the Guatemalan government does not pursue a policy of abusing human rights, we note that it rarely takes action to thoroughly investigate and prosecute those who do,'' said Boucher.

Although the government of President Vinicio Cerezo was democratically elected it has shown signs of losing control over military commanders, who have been fighting a sporadic war with left- wing guerrilla groups.

In the Atitlan case, those killed were protesting the detention of a fellow resident by the military on grounds of suspected anti-government activity. No motive has been disclosed in the Devine case.

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#90355u1118 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Money Rates Friday as provided by Telerate Systems,

Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 6.50
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.47

60 to 89 days 7.91

90 to 119 days 7.75

120 to 149 days 7.58

150 to 179 days 7.41

180 to 270 days 7.30

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.80 - 7.80

Issuers 30 days 7.88

Issuers 90 days 7.41

Issuers 270 days 6.73

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 7.90

60 to 89 days 8.25

90 to 119 days 8.10

120 to 149 days 7.95

150 to 179 days 7.80

180 days 7.75

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7 5-16 - 7 7-16

1 month 8.375 - 8.625

3 month 7 15-16 - 8 1-16

6 month 7.625 - 7.75

Year 7.50 - 7.625

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 6.60 - 6.58

6 months 6.63 - 6.61

Year 6.54 - 6.52

Federal Funds: High 7 1/4, Low 7 1/8, Close 7 3-16

Telerate Interest Rate Index Friday: 7.576 up 0.219.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90355u1143 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - The Securities and Exchange Commission said Friday it has filed a complaint in federal court against Bank of New England Corp. alleging the holding company violated federal securities laws.

The SEC's complaint alleged the parent of the troubled Boston-based Bank of New England violated provisions of federal securities laws concerning antifraud, periodic reporting, books and records and internal accounting controls.

Without admitting or denying the allegations, the holding company consented to a final judgment permanently barring it from future violations of securities laws.

The holding company also agreed to restate its financial statements for the third quarter of 1989 and agreed to have its independent accountants conduct a

review of internal accounting controls and practices. The accountants also will review Bank of New England's quarterly financial statements.

The SEC complaint alleges that Bank of New England's parent "knowingly and recklessly understated the allowance for loan and lease losses and related provision for loan and lease losses" in its third quarter financial statement.

The understated losses, the SEC said, resulted in a "material overstatement" of the holding company's 1989 third-quarter earnings and rendered a profit statement filed with the SEC "materially false and misleading."

The SEC complaint said Bank of New England reported a loss for 1989 of $1.1 billion due to a fourth-quarter provision for loan losses of $1. 61 billion. The SEC said a "material portion" of the fourth-quarter provision should have been recorded during the preceding quarter.

The agency also alleged that Bank of New England failed to state in financial documents filed with the SEC that the deteriorating condition of the region's real estate market and the bank's loan portfolio "were reasonably likely to have material adverse effects" on future bank earnings.

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#90355u1146 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	68 1-4	up	5-8
AT&T Company	31 1-8	up	3-4
BCE Inc	33 7-8	off	1-2
Bell Atlantic	55 5-8	up	1-2
BellSouth Corp	55 1-8	up	3-8
Exxon Corp	50 7-8	up	1-2
Ford Motor Co	26 1-4	up	3-4
Genl Electric	57 7-8	up	3-8
General Motors	34 7-8	unch	
GTE Corp	29 1-2	off	1-8
IBM Corp	113 7-8	up	1-8
Mobil Oil Corp	56 1-2	off	3-8
Nynex Corp	73 1-8	up	1-4
Pac Gas & Elec	25 1-8	up	3-8
Pacific Telesis	46 1-2	up	1-8
Phila Electric	17 7-8	up	1-4
Sears Roebuck	25 3-4	unch	
Southern Co	27 5-8	up	1-4
Sthwestern Bell	56 1-2	unch	
US West Inc	39 1-4	unch	

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#90355u1165 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

CLEVELAND (DEC. 21) UPI - The nation's steel service centers, which buy and distribute one-fourth of the country's carbon industrial steel products and one-half of the stainless steel products, reported Friday that business was up in November.

The Steel Service Center Institute, a trade organization, reported a 4.1 percent increase in the average daily shipping rate from October to November. But while service centers continued to ship more than 91,000 tons of steel products a day, three fewer shipping days in November resulted in a total volume decline of about ten percent.

Shipments of alloy products were up eight percent, carbon tubing up 7.2 percent, plate up 6.5 percent and carbon bars up 6.4 percent. Stainless steel products were down 4.1 percent.

Shipments for the first 11 months were up 1.3 percent over last year's record pace when 23.7 million tons of steel products were shipped. The November average daily shipping rate, compared to November 1989, was up 1.3 percent.

"While November average daily shipping rates were higher than many expected, SSCI members continue to report slippage in nearly all product categories," institute President Andrew Sharkey said. "Executives at SSCI member companies are growing increasingly bearish as we head into the new year."

When asked what they expect the incoming order trend to be over the next three months, 54 percent of SSCI members polled said that they expect a decrease. One year ago, only 26 percent said that they expected a decline when asked the same question.

Sharkey also said companies are expressing increased concern about receivables. "Of those polled, 39 percent said that compared to three months prior, customers are now paying less promptly," he said. "That number was at seven percent as recently as August and at six percent last December."

-30- 2055

#90355u1169 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (DEC. 21) UPI - Nicaraguan legislators reversed course Friday and backed President Violeta Chamorro's veto of a 25 percent military spending cut they approved last week.

Chamorro said Tuesday she was vetoing the decision to slash about $20 million from a proposed $78.6 million in military spending because it would interfere with efforts to reduce the size of the armed forces.

Legislators of various parties belonging to the National Opposition Union, or UNO, met with Chamorro for several hours before Friday's vote in the National Assembly, saying they would support her veto if she agreed to oust Humberto Ortega as chief of the country's armed forces.

Chamorro did not agree to their demands but she picked up considerably more than the 46 votes she needed for the veto. The National Assembly, made up of 39 Sandinista legislators, voted 79-21 to support the veto.

Total proposed government spending for 1991 is $500 million.

Sandinistas, who ruled the country from 1979-89, have pressured Chamorro to back the proposed $78.6 million in military spending.

The military cut approved last week triggered grenade attacks on the homes and unoccupied cars of legislators who voiced strong support for the military spending cuts.

UNO legislators who voted against the veto said they would have supported it if Chamorro had agreed to replace Humberto Ortega, brother of former Sandinista President Daniel Ortega, as head of the country's armed forces.

The legislators say Ortega's presence has not contributed to stability and peace in the country.

The government hopes to reduce the size of the Sandinista army to about 30,000 troops by the end of the year. The army was made up of about 85,000 troops when Chamorro defeated Ortega in February elections.

During their meeting with Chamorro, legislators also asked Chamorro to reduce the number of Sandinista members on the Supreme Court and return property confiscated by Sandinistas during their 10-year rule.

UNO backed Chamorro's victory over Ortega in February elections but they have complained that she has given in to too many Sandinista demands since taking office in April.

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#90355u1178 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 21) UPI - The semi-official Middle East News Agency in Cairo reports that Iraq is trying to buy large numbers of gas masks... apparently part of its on-going preparations for war in the Persian Gulf. The report says the Iraqis tried to purchase gas masks from companies in Germany, Belgium and Britain in recent weeks. This morning, air-raid sirens sounded throughout Baghdad in a drill that was announced yesterday. Witnesses reported that thousands of people streamed into the streets and got into private cars and buses to move to a desert location where they would be housed until the drill

ended.

Newly installed British Prime Minister John Major laid down the law to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein today in a series of early morning broadcast interviews from Washington. Three weeks into the job, the British prime minister is in the United States for meetings with President Bush. Major gave his full backing to allied policy in the Persian Gulf and said any idea of a partial Iraqi withdrawal is unacceptable. He said the Iraqi leader may try to ''play games'' to evade the U-N order but Major said that such moves simply will NOT work.

The Japanese government expressed concern over the resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze at a time when the two nations are working to normalize relations. Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu said the Japanese are watching developments with what he termed ''strong concern.'' He added, however, that he still expects Soviet President Gorbachev to make a scheduled visit to Japan in April.

The family of Nancy Cruzan continues its watch in Mount Vernon, Missouri, as the condition of the severely brain-damaged woman deteriorates. The 33-year-old woman has been in a persistent vegetative state since a 1983 automobile accident, and a Missouri court ruled last week that doctors could remove her feeding tubes. That brought out scores of right-to-live activists who are trying to stop her eventual death. A federal judge in Kansas City has scheduled a hearing later today on one petition asking that the feeding tubes be reconnected.

Margaret Thatcher is NO longer prime minister of Britain but she still remembers those who helped her during 11 years of power and many were named today on her final honors list. It was checked by a parliamentary committee and approved by Queen Elizabeth before it was published. Included are most of Thatcher's key aides, her chief news secretary, along with messengers, telephone operators, guards, housekeepers and other staff members at the official Downing Street residence and the Chequers country retreat.

First-year defensive tackle Fred Washington of the N-F-L Chicago Bears and a friend were killed early today in a one-car traffic accident in north suburban Chicago. Police say the 23-year-old Washington and a woman were killed on impact when the car in which they were riding ran into a tree. Washington was a second-round draft pick and was scheduled to play against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers on Sunday.

-30- 3214

#90355u1182 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.

20 Bonds	91.70	up 0.06
10 Public Utils	93.66	off 0.02
10 Industrials	89.75	up 0.15

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#90355u1193 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Friday	2633.66	up	4.20	923.91	up	8.24	211.39	up	1.51
Thursday	2629.46	up	2.73	915.67	off	1.31	209.88	off	1.70
Week ago	2593.81	off	20.55	903.11	off	14.06	208. 56	off	0.76
Month ago	2527.23	off	12.13	844.12	off	5.73	209. 00	up	0.31
Year ago	2711.39	up	20.26	1158.78	up	15.11	234. 53	up	1.13
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90355u1195 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2633.66	up	4.20
20 Trans	923.91	up	8.24
15 Utils	211.39	up	1.51
65 Stocks	925.50	up	4.16

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#90355u1196 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - The Securities and Exchange Commission Friday filed a complaint against Latin Investment Corp. seeking to freeze the assets of the owners of the bankrupt investment company.

Latin Investment, of Washington, was forced into involuntary bankruptcy by creditors last week. The investment company specialized in selling securities to immigrants from El Salvador and other Latin American countries. Many of these immigrants lost their savings when the company went out of business.

The SEC complaint, which also seeks a permanent injunction, was filed against the company and its principals, Fernando Leonzo, Leonel Salinas, and Jose Cortes.

The SEC said it has contacted the government of El Salvador and intends to

locate any assets the principals may have in that country that are subject to the freeze order.

The complaint alleges that because Latin Investment was operating without a bank charter, it was required to register with the SEC the securities it offered and sold in the form of pass book accounts.

The SEC also alleged the defendants committed fraud in offering and selling the securities by making "materially false and misleading statements" or omitted facts about the securities and the investment company.

The government alleged the company told investors they were investing in a bank "and that their funds would be safe and available on demand." But Latin Investment was not a bank and "investors' funds were subject to serious rise and were not insured and the funds were not available on demand," the SEC said.

The SEC also alleged that Latin Investment officers failed to tell investors that their investments "were to be used, in certain instances, for the personal benefit" of Leonzo, Salinas and Cortes.

-30- 1969

#90355u1197 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks - 13,750,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,279,535,040
Bonds - $4,480,000
1990 to date - $752,226,000

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#90355u1200 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Friday:

Stocks - 233,400,000 shares
1990 to date - 39,207,853,791
Warrants - 824,300
1990 to date - 256,247,600

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#90355u1205 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Friday - $46,500,000
1990 to date - $10,758,650,000

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#90355u1211 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Dow Jones weekly range of bond averages for week ending December 21.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Change
20 Bonds	91.12	91.70	91.12	91.70	up 0.51
10 Utils	93.06	93.74	93.06	93.66	up 0.66
10 Indus	89.19	89.75	89.19	89.75	up 0.36

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#90355u1223 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Friday:

Market Value	306.20	off 0.29
High Technology	330.79	up 1.27
Capital Goods	333.91	up 1.08
Consumer Goods	396.12	up 2.06
Service	725.63	off 1.33
Retail	1,013.69	off 5.51
Financial	352.19	off 2.01
Natural Resources	211.63	off 0.70
Housing-Const-Land	231.42	off 0.63

The price of an Amex share was unchanged.

REGIONALS		
New England	413.37	off 0.29
Mid Atlantic	426.06	up 1.47
No Central	399.74	off 4.30
So Atlantic	885.88	off 0.12
So Central	301.98	up 2.09
Mountain	107.98	off 2.66
Pacific	356.13	up 0.65
Foreign	210.46	off 0.99

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#90355u1225 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2654.70	2662.62	2619.55	2633.66	up 4.20
20 Trans	923.35	932.53	911.73	923.91	up 8.24
15 Utils	211.83	212.59	209.32	211.39	up 1.51
65 Stock	929.85	934.40	917.92	925.50	up 4.16

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Friday	Thursday
Indus	37,304,000	18,550,300
Trans	4,709,900	3,510,200
Utils	5,914,000	2,898,000
65 Stock	47,927,900	24,958,500

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.70	up 0.06
10 Public Utils	93.66	off 0.02
10 Industrials	89.75	up 0.15

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 125.80 off 0.71.

-30- 918

#90355u1226 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Cotton futures closed Friday six points higher to 48 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	76.10	76.45	76.05	76.27	76.66
May	75.60	75.80	75.35	75.45	75.90
Jly	75.30	75.40	74.65	74.77	75.25
Oct	68.40	68.40	68.15	68.20	68.35
Dec	65.40	65.45	65.20	65.38	65.32
Mar	66.30	66.35	66.15	66.15	66.15
May	66.35	....	....	66.55	66.50

Estimated sales: 3,500 contracts
Open interest: 42,215 off 454
The World spot average: 70.09

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#90355u1228 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Friday.

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	126,542,184	45	up 1
Intel Corp	(INTC)	52,867,080	40	up 1
Sci Medcl Lfe	(SMLS)	34,380,440	31 1/2	up 2 1/2
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	34,006,832	75 3/4	up 1/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	33,987,916	19 5/8	unch
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	27,353,264	62	up 3/4
Applied Power	(APWR)	22,938,478	14 3/8	off 7/8

Tele-ComA	(TCOM)	21,350,090	13 7/8	up	1/4
Oracle Systms	(ORCL)	21,147,962	8 1/8	up	1/2
St Paul Cos	(STPL)	20,454,394	61 1/2	up	1/4

Composite Index 165.03 up 0.59

NMS volume 112,832,800 shares.

Advances	850
Declines	742
Unchanged	1,180
Total	2,772

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#90355u1229 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 21) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Friday - 10,228,000

1990 to date - 2,437,468,000

The market closed higher.

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#90355u1231 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Pan Am's chairman Thomas Plaskett Friday opened the way for an acquisition of the airline by Trans World Airlines, depending upon bridge financing being provided by TWA.

In a letter sent to TWA chairman Carl Icahn, Plaskett said "the time is right" for us to see if we can put together a proposal that can both win approval from our shareholders and have every likelihood of being consummated."

Responding to an offer from Icahn to buy most of Pan Am for $1.50 a share in cash, and $1 a share in preferred stock or promissory notes, Plaskett said it would be futile for Pan Am to enter into a transaction without any bridge financing.

Pan Am has 150 million shares outstanding, so the value of the deal would be $325 million at the most. The acquisition would exclude some of Pan Am's routes to London that have been purchased by United Airlines in a sale currently under review by United States and British governments.

Plaskett's letter said, "The proposal contained in your letter could form the basis of a combination that would be advantageous to our shareholders, employees and other constituencies."

"Pan Am requires bridge financing to cover its financial needs during the several month period - coinciding with our low traffic season - that we expect

it will take to obtain necessary regulatory and shareholder approvals.

A TWA spokesman said Icahn had issued a statement saying, "I view the response of Pan Am as a sufficient basis for continung to evaluate financing and merger possibiltiies and we are in the process of doing so."

Pan Am spokeswoman Pamela Hanlon said Plaskett's letter indicated that Pan Am is interested in the Icahn offer but needs "clarification" on it. Plaskett said in a letter said it would be "futile" to enter into a transaction without any provision for bridge financing, "especially if TWA were not to commit to close the transaction regardless of our financial situation.

"We would not want to enter into an agreement if we had reason to believe that it was not capable of being performed. I am sure that you share this view."

Plaskett said that as a first step, TWA should send a detailed term sheet indicating the terms of bridge financing, the conditions of closing and the terms of the securities it is offering.

"It therefore is important to make sure that what your letter refers to as 'closing conditions customary for a transaction of the kind' are not conditions that, in fact, it would be impossible to meet." Pan Am, with a heavy debt load and payments of $32 million due imminently, reportedly discussed filing for chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

TWA last Sunday agreed to sell six London routes to American Airlines for $445 million, and is expected to use the proceeds of that deal towards paying for the Pan Am deal.

Plaskett's letter added, "I am in complete agreement that given the state of the industry, the time is right "I look forward to hearing from you in the hope that we can reach agreement promptly."

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#90355u1236 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 21) UPI - British Prime Minister John Major and Secretary of State James Baker held their first official meeting Friday during which they discussed the decision by Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze to resign and its impact on world events, particularly the Persian Gulf crisis.

Baker gave no details of the one-hour meeting, but Shevardnadze's resignation listed as a top agenda topic suggested that both Baker and Major believe there will be unknown and possibly important consequences.

U.S. officials were stunned by Shevardnadze's announcement on Thursday although it has been known for some time that he has been under increasing attack from Soviet conservatives, especially those who lead the Soviet

military establishment.

Shevardnadze had been regarded as a moderating influence on those conseratives and they, in turn, attacked him for bargaining away the Soviet military muscle at a time when it might be needed to put down nationalist and ethnic disturbances in the Soviet Union.

The military also criticized the foreign minister for allowing the unification of Germany to proceed at a pace they thought was too fast, leaving Soviet troops in East Germany demoralized and economically destitute.

Shevardnadze also earned the enmity of the Soviet military leadership by announcing that a decision had been made, without consulting the military, that Soviet security would be made more stable by a reduction of East-West arms, rather than by the former method of building Soviet military strength, at ruinous cost to the economy.

As a result of that policy decision, the Soviet military will have to scrap as many as three times as many armored vehicles as the western powers in the conventional forces in Europe agreement signed last month.

U.S. officials have complained that the Soviet military is dragging its feet in complying with the exhcnage of information about weapons required before the cuts actually take place.

Some officials think it is just a matter of bureaucratic inefficiency, putting together a massive amount of detailed information in a brief period of time. Other officials think that the foot-dragging is a way of sabotaging Shevardnadze's work in negotiating the treaty in the first place.

Another sign of the political-military split is that while Shevardnadze was negotiating down the size of the Soviet nuclear arsenal, the Soviet navy continued to build new ballistic missile subs at the same pre-perestroika rate.

According to U.S. officials some of the new subs are diesel-electric subs which, when operating on electric power alone, are extremely quiet and difficult to detect and track.

One U.S. military expert described the recently constructed diesel- electric subs as ''large naval mines.''

The U.S. intelligence community has put together a list of possible successors to Shevardnadze, but none of them will have the political seniority or the close relationship that the foreign minister has with President Mikhail Gorbachev.

On the list are Shevardnadze's chief deputy, Yevgeny Primakov, and the current Soviet ambassador to Washington, Alexander Bessmertnyhk, a former deputy to

Shevardnadze.

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#90355u1247 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
USF&G Corp	4,260,500	7 5/8	off 1/4
AT&T Company	3,365,300	31	up 5/8
Philip Morris	3,100,200	51 1/8	off 1/4
Exxon Corp	3,011,200	50 3/4	up 3/8
Genl Electric	2,857,100	58	up 1/2
Manuf Hanover	2,527,000	24	off 1/8
Boise Cascade	2,432,100	27 5/8	up 1 3/8
Wal-Mart Stores	2,297,000	31 3/4	up 7/8
Limited Inc	2,235,500	18	unch
IBM Corp	2,084,600	113 7/8	up 1/8
Amer Express	2,001,900	21	off 1/2
DuPont & Co	1,912,700	36 3/4	off 3/4
Dow Chemical Co	1,898,900	46 3/4	off 1 1/8
PepsiCo Inc	1,888,100	26 3/8	off 1/8
Ford Motor Co	1,859,500	26 3/8	up 7/8

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#90355u1252 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Friday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Jan Bell Mktg	463,100	7 3/4	off 1/8
Dow Chemical rt	431,100	5 1/8	up 3/8
Am Swst Mtg Inv	424,700	5 1/2	up 1/8
Wang Labs Inc B	364,400	2 5/8	unch
Contl Air Hldgs	357,900	2	up 1/8
Echo Bay Mines	301,500	8 3/8	off 1/8
Amdahl Corp	258,800	14 7/8	up 3/8
Summa Medical	258,000	1 7/8	off 1/4
Energy Service	254,400	2 1/2	unch
Western Digital	246,700	4 1/2	unch

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#90355u1254 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 21) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Friday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6825	off 25
Citicorp pfB	75	up 4 3/4
Systems Center	4 7/8	off 4 1/2
Wash Post Co	198	off 3 1/2
Cap Cities ABC	469	up 3 1/4
Pub Svc E&G pfL	87 1/2	up 2 1/2
Great Lake Chem	62	off 2 1/2
Sequa Corp pf	82 3/8	up 2 3/8
Bank Boston pfC	34 1/4	off 2 3/8
UAL Corp	112 1/2	up 2 1/4

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#90355u1259 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 21) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Friday	Thursday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	7.10	7.20	N/A
91-day Treasury bills	6.79	6.75	7.60
182-day Treasury bills	6.92	6.87	7.46
1-year Treasury bills	6.94	6.90	7.19
3-year Treasury notes	7.45	7.39	7.78
7-year Treasury notes	8.02	7.96	7.86
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.28	8.24	7.88
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.67	8.60	8.59
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.60	9.55	9.10
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.97	8.61	8.75
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.69	8.93	8.83
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.14	9.14	9.07
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.13	9.12	9.06

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90355u1263 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - The American Stock Exchange Market Value index for the week ended December 21:

High	Low	Last	Net change

307.07 303.67 306.20 off 0.71

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#90355u1264 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - The 20 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended December 21, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Citicorp	11,332,300	14 1/8	13	13 1/2	off 1/4
AT&T Co	10,895,100	31 5/8	30 1/8	31	up 3/8
Manuf Hanover	10,851,600	24 1/4	18 5/8	24	up 3 3/4
Philip Morris	9,720,500	51 7/8	50	51 1/8	up 1/2
Amer Express	9,049,100	22 3/8	20	21	unch
IBM Corp	9,016,500	114 5/8	110 5/8	113 7/8	up 2 5/8
Genl Electric	8,444,600	58 3/8	54 3/4	58	up 2 3/8
BankAmerica Corp	7,555,900	28 1/4	23 1/8	27 1/2	up 3 1/2
USF&G Corp	6,888,500	8 1/4	7 1/2	7 5/8	off 3/4
General Motors	6,678,200	35 1/2	33 1/8	34 3/4	up 1 1/2
Fedl Natl Mtge	6,565,400	35 3/8	33 3/8	35 1/8	up 7/8
PepsiCo Inc	6,369,400	26 3/4	25 5/8	26 3/8	up 3/8
Ford Motor Co	6,307,600	26 3/8	25	26 3/8	up 1 1/8
Exxon Corp	6,301,800	51 1/8	50 1/8	50 3/4	unch
Bristol Myer Sq	6,271,000	67 1/4	65 3/8	67 1/8	up 7/8
Chrysler Corp	6,159,100	14 1/8	12 1/4	13 1/4	up 1
Wal-Mart Stores	5,954,800	31 7/8	29 3/4	31 3/4	up 1 1/2
Unisys Corp	5,778,800	2 7/8	2 1/4	2 1/2	off 1/4
Toys R Us Inc	5,722,900	24	22 7/8	23 1/8	off 1/4
Eastman Kodak	5,572,700	42 1/4	41	41 7/8	up 1/4

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NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading in the week ended December 21, 1990.

Stock	Sales	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Echo Bay Mines	1,845,900	8 3/4	7 1/2	8 3/8	up 5/8
Jan Bell Mktg	1,680,900	8 1/8	7 1/8	7 3/4	off 1/8
Dow Chemical rt	1,558,800	6 1/2	4 1/2	5 1/8	off 1 1/4
Energy Service	1,545,100	2 5/8	2 3/8	2 1/2	unch
Wang Labs Inc B	1,387,300	2 7/8	2 3/8	2 5/8	off 1/8
Contl Air Hldgs	1,309,200	2 7/8	1 3/4	2	unch
Western Digital	1,170,500	4 7/8	4	4 1/2	off 3/8
Cheyenne Softwr	1,054,800	8	6 3/4	7 1/2	up 5/8
Fruit of Loom	1,038,800	8 5/8	8	8 1/4	off 5/8
Alza Corp	927,500	50 3/4	46 1/4	49 3/8	up 2 7/8

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#90355u1274 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Following are closings for the Dow Jones stock averages with the net change for the week ended December 21.

	30 Indus			20 Transp			15 Utils		
Monday	2593.32	off	0.49	895.24	off	7.87	208.56	unchanged	
Tuesday	2626.73	up	33.41	907.05	up	11.81	211.08	up	2.52
Wednesday	2626.73	unchanged		916.98	up	9.93	211.58	up	0.50
Thursday	2629.46	up	2.73	915.67	off	1.31	209.88	off	1.70
Friday	2633.66	up	4.20	923.91	up	8.24	211.39	up	1.51
Net Change		up	39.85		up	20.80		up	2.83

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#90355u1278 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 21) UPI - Largest net changes amoung NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets in the week ended December 21, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.	
Berkshire Hath	6825	up	75
Cap Cities ABC	469	up	28 1/2
Citicorp pfB	75	off	20 5/8
Pitney Bowes pf	154	up	12 5/8
Beneficial pfC	196 1/2	up	12
Desoto Inc	8	off	11 1/4
Woolworth pfA	176	up	11
TRW Inc pfB	158	up	8
Hall Frank pfB	46 1/2	up	6 1/2
Household pfD	80	up	6 1/2
Matsushita El	120	off	6
UAL Corp	112 1/2	up	6
Ohio Power pfE	93	up	6
Phila Elec pfQ	110	off	5 1/2
PSI Energy pfD	78 1/2	up	5 1/2
Wells Fargo Co	60	up	5 3/8
CNA Financial	67 1/2	up	5 1/8
Systems Center	4 7/8	off	5
Occid Pet pfH	115	off	4 1/2
Honeywell Inc	87 1/4	off	4 1/2

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#90355u1280 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 21) UPI - Largest net changes amoung AMEX-listed stocks on the exchange

and in regional markets in the week ended December 21, 1990.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Kansas G&E pf	95	up 5
Seaboard Corp	121	up 4
OEA Inc	38 1/2	up 3 3/8
Alza Corp	49 3/8	up 2 7/8
Americus T2 ut	31	off 2 5/8
Tel & Data Sys	32 3/4	up 2 1/2
Team Inc	12 3/4	up 2 1/2
Elan Corp ut	15 7/8	up 2 1/2
Hubbell Inc A	44 1/2	up 2 3/8
Alza Corp wt	28 5/8	up 2 3/8

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#90355u1285 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	373.60	up	1.30	368.83	444.57
Industrial	405.28	up	1.83	398.63	437.59
Finance	359.92	up	0.01	360.74	497.93
Insurance	449.19	up	0.19	455.29	533.14
Utility	485.50	up	1.91	469.80	714.05
Bank	254.80	up	1.29	257.09	386.52
Transport	416.20	up	2.13	412.33	486.21

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 165.05 up 0.61

Industrial Index 162.00 up 0.77

NASDAQ-100 Index 405.51 up 2.48

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#90355u1287 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - The ten top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System in the week ended December 21, 1990.

Stock		Volume	High	Low	Close	Chg.
AppleC	(AAPL)	438,688,992	45 1/4	34 1/4	45	up 1
IntelCp	(INTC)	237,388,000	40 1/4	34 3/4	40	up 1
MCI Com	(MCIC)	230,254,000	19 7/8	18 5/8	19 5/8	unch
Amgen	(AMGN)	220,999,008	63 1/2	59	62	up 3/4

Micrsoft	(MSFT)	191,146,000	76	72 1/2	75 3/4	up	1/4
AST Res	(ASTA)	104,007,000	34 1/2	26 1/4	33 3/4	off	1/8
Quantm		101,234,000	20 1/2	17 3/4	18	off	1/8
SunMicro	(SUNW)	98,015,400	23 5/8	20 3/4	22 5/8	up	1/8
ReuterH	(RTRS)	95,450,800	38 7/8	37 1/4	37 5/8	up	1/8
Tele-ComA	(TCOM)	95,450,104	14 1/4	12 1/8	13 7/8	up	1/4

NMS volume 548,207,900 shares.

Advances	1,002
Declines	1,057
Unchanged	710
Total	2,769

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#90355u1291 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Friday 405.51 up 2.48.

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#90355u1308 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Friday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	147,607,800
Advances	1,007
Declines	917
Unchanged	2,263
Total	4,187

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#90355u1312 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	386.00	234.85	144.66	23.96	330.12
Opening	387.13	235.35	145.41	23.95	331.11
11 a.m.	386.59	235.45	145.19	23.88	330.61
Noon	386.90	235.83	145.23	23.85	330.81
1 p.m.	386.94	236.16	145.33	23.86	330.88
2 p.m.	387.08	235.68	145.24	23.88	330.95
3 p.m.	387.49	236.20	145.47	23.87	331.30
Close	387.94	236.82	145.70	23.95	331.75
Change	up 1.93	up 1.97	up 1.04	off 0.01	up 1.63

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(DEC. 21) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Friday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	243.00	243.00	240.80	240.87	242.30
Mar	245.00	245.00	243.00	243.60	244.30
Jun	247.20	247.20	245.40	245.50	246.20
Sep	....	....	....	247.90	248.60

Estimated volume: 499 contracts.
Open interest: 1,534 up 80

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	333.50	334.90	332.30	334.75	332.85
Jun	336.40	337.70	335.30	337.70	335.75
Sep	339.50	340.30	338.10	339.90	338.30

Estimated volume: 27,580 contracts.
Open interest: 168,383 up 579

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	....	....	....	182.00	180.50
Mar	182.00	182.50	181.15	182.40	181.50
Jun	182.00	183.65	182.60	183.75	182.85
Dec	....	....	....	186.45	....

Open interest: 5,129 up 341
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Dec	552.00	553.60	549.00	549.52	551.30
Jan	554.00	555.60	551.70	553.00	553.50
Feb	553.85	554.25	552.50	552.85	553.50

Estimated volume: 3,927 contracts.
Open interest: 11,815 off 193

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#90355u1326 12/21/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Standard & Poor's weekly range of stock indexes for the week ending December 21:

	High	Low	Close	Net Change
400 Ind	386.06	381.96	387.93	up 5.40
20 Trans	234.85	229.46	236.82	up 5.88
40 Utils	145.82	144.66	145.70	up 1.37
40 Fncl	23.96	22.87	23.95	up 0.79
500 Stock	330.20	326.02	331.75	up 4.93

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#90355u1342 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange indexes for the week ended December 21:

	High	Low	Close	Net change
Composite	180.87	177.59	180.87	up 2.16
Industrial	223.39	219.55	223.39	up 2.15
Transportation	142.44	139.29	142.44	up 1.82
Utilities	92.22	90.91	92.08	up 0.66
Finance	123.64	119.61	123.64	up 2.71

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#90355u1349 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Sales on the New York Stock Exchange for the week ended December 21 and the previous week:

	Stocks		Warrants	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Monday	118,630,320	138,652,860	1,141,000	899, 500
Tuesday	174,910,280	145,330,190	1,571,700	1, 041,400
Wednesday	179,115,670	182,284,530	1,281,500	1, 803,000
Thursday	173,899,430	162,108,740	847,100	886, 300
Friday	233.457,430	150,870,320	824,300	841,400
Total	880,013,130	779,246,640	5,665,600	4,751, 600

	Bonds	
	This Week	Last Week
Monday	$ 56,391,000	$ 37,534,000
Tuesday	$ 56,565,000	$ 42,355,000
Wednesday	$ 54,575,000	$ 44,853,000
Thursday	$ 49,689,000	$ 47,797,000
Friday	$ 46,500,000	$ 44,824,000

Total	$263,720,000	$217,363,000

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#90355u1350 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	373.79	371.54	373.60	up 1.30
Industrial	405.64	402.92	405.28	up 1.83
Finance	360.50	358.17	359.92	up 0.01
Insurance	450.61	447.35	449.19	up 0.19
Utility	486.54	480.74	485.50	up 1.91
Bank	254.80	251.87	254.80	up 1.29
Transport	418.62	410.70	416.20	up 2.13

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	165.05 up 0.61
Industrial Index	162.00 up 0.77
NASDAQ-100 Index	405.51 up 2.48

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share	8.39 up 0.04
Volume	112,832,800 shares
Advances	850
Declines	742
Unchanged	1,180
Total	2,772

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#90355u1356 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - Stocks closed mixed in very heavy trading Friday as the expirations of futures and options inflated volume but failed to move the market in any direction.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 2.73 Thursday, gained another 4.20 to close at 2633.66.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index added 0.55 to 180.87 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 1.63 to 331.75. The price of an average share gained nine cents.

Declines just barely led advances 766-760 among the 2,028 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Big Board volume totaled 233,400,000 shares, up markedly from the

174,700,000 traded Thursday.

The expirations normally cause volume to swell at the opening and before the close of the market, when the various instruments cease trading. Futures traded on the S&P 500 for December expired Friday morning and the December Major Market Index futures and options expired as of the close. Options on other indexes and on individual stocks also expired.

Analysts had expected to see some pressure to the sell side as a result of the expirations, but they anticipated no major price moves. The market did just that. After showing double-digit gains shortly after the opening, the Dow drifted the rest of the day with slight gains.

"The triple-witching just increased volume. It was just random noise," said Michael Metz, analyst at Oppenheimer & Co. "But the underlying tone is still pretty firm, and the dollar is strong. The market is benefiting from the strength of the dollar," he said. "The market is attracting some foreign interest for the first time in a long time."

Traders did say, however, that because of the exchange's early 2 p.m. closing Monday before Christmas Eve, many investors closed out positions early and took an extended holiday.

The market will be closed Tuesday for the Christmas holiday. The early close Monday will be the first time the Big Board has shut down early before a holiday.

"Today was really just a random day," Metz said. "The activity had more to do with internal factors than anything else. There was really nothing guiding the market one way or the other."

On the trading floor, USF&G was the most active issue, down 1/4 to 7 5/8 in dividend-related trading. AT&T followed, up 5/8 to 31. Philip Morris was third down 1/8 to 51 1/8.

Boise Cascade was also active, up 1 3/8 to 27 5/8 in trading also related to the stock's dividend payment.

Among other blue chips, IBM rose 1/8 to 113 7/8 but American Express lost 5/8 to 21 1/8. Merck added 1 3/8 to 87 1/2 after reporting it has developed a new type of drug for fighting the AIDS virus and started tests of the drug in humans last month.

Prices closed lower in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange. The Amex Market Value index lost 0.29 to 306.20. Declines led advances 317-260 among the 877 issues traded. The price of an average share was unchanged. Volume totaled 13,750,000 shares vs. 14,000,000 traded Thursday. Jan Bell Marketing led the Amex issues, off 1/8 to 7 3/4.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index rose 1.31 to 373.61.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - What The N.Y.S.E. Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Dec 21, 1990	81	231	973	932	286	2191
Dec 14, 1990	77	192	865	1040	278	2183
Dec 22, 1989	46	95	746	1134	254	2134
Dec 23, 1988	116	129	993	885	299	2177

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#90355u1361 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 21) UPI - What The AMEX Market Did This Week

By United Press International

Week Ended	New Highs	New Lows	Adv	Dec	Unch	Total
Dec 21, 1990	44	215	364	465	190	1019
Dec 14, 1990	35	187	319	480	209	1008
Dec 22, 1989	28	148	262	562	188	1012

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#90355u1362 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - The dollar surged again against the German mark and all the European currency on sustained and deepening concern about the implications of the Soviet foreign minister's resignation, but eased against Japan's yen.

Currency analysts said the announcement Thursday by Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze that he was resigning cast a heavy pall over the formerly optimistic scenario for Germany and Europe, East and West.

Consequently, investors who earlier had hitched their financial wagons to the German mark fled to the dollar, which suddenly regained its traditional status as a haven amid political uncertainty, as well as to the yen.

Late in the New York session, the dollar was quoted at 1.5288 German marks, up strongly from 1.5105; and at 135.30 Japanese yen, off from 135.75. Traders said the yen's gain on the dollar was probably technical; simply put, many

mark-holders skipped through the dollar to the yen.

Britain's pound sterling slipped to $1.8850 from $1.8960. Other New York dollar rates: 1.31 Swiss francs, up from 1.2990; 5.1940 French francs, up from 5.1300; and 1,150 lire, up from 1,137.

Analysts said Shevardnadze's warning of "dictatorship" brewing in the Soviet Union boded trouble for newly liberated Eastern Europe.

"First of all you had to get the euphoria out, and now you have the reality setting in," said Credit Suisse treasury vice president Francoise Soares-Kemp. "There's no straight line, and now comes crunch time." "The opportunities that investors were looking for are not coming," she said. "The entire focus of the market now is the political situation."

Soviet and Persian Gulf uncertainties have diverted the attention of currency market players from U.S. economic troubles, Soares-Kemp said, and could signal the beginning of the 1991 dollar recovery many expected. "It's already underway," she said. "All the elements are in place."

In Europe, the dollar also continued its rally on fears of a Soviet shuffle. "The recent events in the Soviet Union have just spooked people who have had German marks for a long time," said Warburg Securities analyst George Magnus.

In Frankfurt the dollar rose to 1.5205 German marks from 1.4945. London money dealers continue to see the German economy as most vulnerable to Soviet instability. The USSR has large debts to Germany, and still exerts an important influence over German neighbors in the East.

The dollar closed higher in Zurich at 1.3113 Swiss francs vs. 1.2830. London trading pushed the pound down to $1.8840 from $1.9075.

In Paris, Brussels and Milan, the dollar rose to 5.1620 French francs against 5.0745; 31.54 Belgian francs from 30.94; and 1,140 Italian lire from 1,125.80.

In Tokyo earlier, the dollar shot up against the yen on the Soviet foreign minister's resignation, but subsided later in the day. It closed at 135.70 yen a gain of 1.12 yen from 134.58 yen and a two-month high.

The shock of Shevardnadze's resignation speech drove investors to make heavy dollar purchases in the morning session, dealers said. "The impact of the news about Shevardnadze was heavy on pre-Cristmas trading, which is usually very thin," said Lloyds Bank vice president Hiroshi Adachi.

In Zurich, gold fell to $384 an ounce from $384.75, and in London gold closed lower at $383.50 an ounce vs. 385.75.

Silver in Zurich fell to $4.1750 an ounce from $4.20. In London silver closed

lower at $4.16 an ounce from $4.21.

Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold at $381.50 an ounce, down from $383.75 Thursday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $382.50 an ounce, also down from $385.20.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.035 an ounce, down from $4.20. Comex silver finished at $4.025 an ounce, vs. 4.199.

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#90355u1366 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 21) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs 9
New lows 45

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	271	4,494,500
Declines	327	6,080,900
Unchanged	295	3,174,600
Total	893	13,750,000

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#90355u1381 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 21) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	180.87	180.47	180.87	up 0.55
Industrial	223.39	222.89	223.39	up 0.75
Transport	142.44	141.87	142.44	up 0.82
Utility	92.08	91.89	92.08	up 0.34
Finance	123.64	123.39	123.64	off 0.11

Equivalent to a gain of 9 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 233,400,000 shares.

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#90355u1386 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 21) UPI - Growing uneasiness over political conditions in the Soviet Union is leading to a growing exodus of Soviet Jews, most headed to new lives in Israel. Immigration officials say they expect to welcome 55-hundred Soviet

Jews to Israel over a two-day period ending tomorrow night. The latest figures indicate that approximately 200-thousand immigrants will arrive in Israel this year, up from just 12-thousand last year. And most will be Soviet Jews.

Sources at the meetings in Paris on a U-N peace plan for Cambodia say the session was interrupted by Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen collapsed and was rushed to a hospital. They say the Vietnamese-backed leader collapsed from what was called fatigue. The Vietnamese foreign minister took over as head of the Cambodian delegation. About 150 Cambodians- including some Buddhist monks- demonstrated outside the meeting, some carrying signs backing the U-N peace plan.

Winter officially arrives across the country later tonight but the change of season is already self-evident in many areas. There are record lows to report from freezing in San Francisco to 16 degrees below zero in Denver. It dropped to below zero on parts of Kansas, where wind-chills made it feel like 50 below. But that was almost balmy in comparison to the Dakotas, where residents have battled wind-chill readings of 75 below for much of the week.

California Governor-elect Pete Wilson is expected to name someone to head a new oil spill agency once he takes office on January 7th. The California legislature finally decided in August to set up an Oil Spill Prevention and Response unit within the state Department of Fish and Game. The legislation provides for 50-Million dollars in state funding to help clean up oil spills and there are borrowing rights for another 50-Million dollars on short notice.

Six kindergarten children suffered burns in a fire sparked by a candle that touched off their Santa Claus masks during a Christmas show for their parents in Rome. Parents reported that the fire started as 27 children were seated in small chairs on a platform wearing Santa Claus masks and holding a candle. They say a candle held by one of the children touched off a fire in the cotton-wool beard of his mask, and the flames spread to the masks of five other children... two boys and three girls. Parents watching the show grabbed fire buckets and doused the flames. Three of the children were hospitalized for treatment of their burns.

The man who helped design American military planes like the S-R-71 and the U-2 spy plane is dead. Clarence ''Kelly'' Johnson died today after a long illness. He was 80. A Lockheed Corporation spokesman said Johnson died at St. Joseph Medical Center in Burbank, California. Johnson worked for Lockheed for 42 years, helping design more than 40 advanced aircraft.

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#90355u1503 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 21) UPI - Iraq staged a massive evacuation drill in Baghdad today, sending thousands of people to special desert shelters. In Cairo, the semi-official Middle East News Agency reported that Iraq has been trying to buy gas

masks in Germany, Belgium and Britain.

The United Auto Workers union and General Motors say they are jointly distributing 15-hundred copies of a patriotic music video to U-S troops stationed in the Persian Gulf. The music video includes renditions of ''The Star-Spangled Banner'' and ''America the Beautiful'' by Tommy Roberts, a U-A-W-represented G-M worker from Baltimore.

Sources in Paris says the conference on a U-N peace plan for Cambodia hit a snag today when Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen collapsed, apparently from fatigue. The sources say the Cambodian foreign minister took over leadership of the delegation when the prime minister was rushed to a hostpital.

The Israeli ambassador to the United States says the American vote for a U-N resoluktion condemning Israeli treatment of the Palestinians may cause lasting harm to the relations between Washington and Jerusalem. He told U-P-I today that he is worried by the U-S vote, which sends the wrong signal to the enemies of Israel.

Winter pushed into the West and Midwest today with an onslaught of brutal cold and miserable wind-chill conditions. The South was battered by severe thunderstorms. Winter was due to start officially at 10:07 p- m, E-S-T. But wind-chill factors of 30 below already were common in the mountains.

The Kate Smith-God Bless America Foundation announced the discovery of the original manuscript for Irving Berlin's classic patriotic tune at a gallery in Las Vegas. A spokesman in Lake Placid, New York, says the manuscript had been presumed lost but was found at the Gallery of History in Las Vegas, where it was for sale for 295-thousand dollars.

A newspaper in Cairo, Egypt, says a 65-year-old man got a big surprise this week when his young wife gave birth to quadruplets. The report says he refused to accept the babies at first, saying he already had 11 children by another wife. But the report says the man ultimately was persuaded to take the four infants and their 30-year-old mother home. Under Moslem law, men are allowed to marry as many as four wives.

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#90355u1910 12/21/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 21) UPI - Chairman Les Aspin of the House Armed Services Committee says the economic sanctions are NOT likely to hold long enough to get Iraq out of Kuwait and the best bet is diplomacy backed by the credible threat of war.

National security adviser Brent Scowcroft says the United States ''will NOT blink'' in the confrontation with Iraq in the Persian Gulf.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said in an interview broadcast in Germany that

his troops will NOT pull out of Kuwait before the January 15th deadline set by the United Nations. But he added that- quoting now- ''the door to dialogue remains open.''

President-elect Lech Walesa arrived by plane in Warsaw today with his family for his formal weekend inauguration ceremony. Walesa will be sworn in tomorrow.

Prime Minister Hun Sen collapsed during peace talks on Cambodia and was rushed to a hospital where he was interned overnight for observation. Conference sources reported the collapse, which occurred shortly after lunch and is being attributed to fatigue.

The United States cut off military aid to Guatemala because of problems with human rights abuses in the Central American nation. One of the cases involves the deaths of 14 civilians and another, the murder of an American hotel owner.

The Salvadoran military says it is deploying one-half of its 55- thousand troops in a stepped-up campaign against leftist rebels to try to maintain stability during the Christmas holiday.

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(DEC. 21) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says his troops will NOT be out of Kuwait before the January 15th deadline set by the U- N Security Council. Saddam said in an interview broadcast in Germany that President Bush will NOT be able to fight Iraq for long because- quoting now- ''he is such a bad leader.''

Chairman Les Aspin of the House Armed Services Committee says he doubts that the sanctions against Iraq will be enough to get the Iraqi troops out of Kuwait. But Aspin says he believes the best chance for a peaceful solution to the crisis is in diplomacy and a credible threat of war.

National security adviser Brent Scowcroft told reporters today that ''January 15th is NOT an attack day.'' Scowcroft says the United States ''will NOT blink'' in the confrontation. He says the U-N Security Council deadline lets Saddam know that ''he better get moving now.''

British Prime Minister John Major and Secretary of State Baker held their first official meeting today, discussing the resignation of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze. They also talked about the impact of the surprise Shevardnadze action on world events, particularly the Persian Gulf crisis. Baker gave NO details of the one-hour meeting.

In Moscow, reformers in the Congress of Peoples Deputies seized on the Shevardnadze resignation as a rallying point, warning of an impending dictatorship. But the Congress chairman later introduced legislation that

would give President Gorbachev virtual dictatorial powers. And some observers now are speculating that Gorbachev sacrificed Shevardnadze to gain enough votes from the right to get his measure approved.

The Nicaraguan legislature reversed itself today and supported the veto President Violeta Chamorro cast against a 25 percent cut in mililitary spending. The legislature approved the spending cut last week. But Chamorro struck it down, saying it would interfere with efforts to reduce the size of the armed forces.

A federal judge in Kansas City, Missouri, today refused to intervene in a court order that allowed the parents of Nancy Cruzan to remove a feeding tube that had kept her alive in a vegetative state for nearly eight years. U-S District Judge Dean Whipple rejected a suit filed by the director of the Center for Christian Activism in Boca Raton, Florida. Hospital officials list the woman in ''deteriorating'' condition.

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WOODSTOCK, VT. (DEC. 21) UPI - New England Ski Areas Council official summary of snow conditions at New England ski areas as of 7 a.m. Friday, Dec. 21, 1990.

Skiing conditions are subject to change due to weather, skier traffic, and other factors. Be aware of changing conditions.

Legend: new-inches of new snow snowfall ending in last 24 hours, pdr-powder snow, pp-packed powder, wet gr-wet granular, lsgr-loose granular, frgr-frozen granular, corn-corn snow, mgs-machine groomed surface (where two such terms appear, the former shows conditions on 70 percent or more terrain, and the latter the next-most-prevalent condition) vc-variable conditions, sc-spring conditions xx of 00 trails-number of trails open, sm-snow made in last 24 hours, tc-thin cover, wbln-windblown snow, var-variable, ns-night skiing available, no-not operating, opr-operating.

Connecticut

Mohawk Mtn new lsgr / 4- 12 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm
Mt Southington new / - base trails lifts
Powder Ridge new lsgr / 2- 20 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm ns
Ski Sundown new / - base trails lifts
Woodbury new lsgr / 2- 20 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm ns

Massacusetts

Atlantic Forest new / - base trails lifts
Berkshire East new / - base trails lifts
Blandford new / - base trails lifts
Blue Hills new / - base trails lifts
Bousquet new / - base trails lifts

Bradford new / - base trails lifts
Brodie Mtn new pp /lsgr 6- 30 base 5 trails 3 lifts sm ns
Butternut Basn new lsgr / 6- 30 base 7 trails 3 lifts sm
Catamount new lsgr /pp 6- 24 base 6 trails 3 lifts sm
Jiminy Peak new lsgr /pp 8- 25 base 9 trails 2 lifts sm ns
Klein Innsbruck new / - base trails lifts
Mt. Tom new lsgr / 0- 20 base 2 trails 1 lifts sm ns
Nashoba Valley new pp /lsgr 6- 16 base 6 trails 4 lifts sm ns
Wachusett Mtn new pp /lsgr 5- 30 base 4 trails 4 lifts sm ns
Ward Hill new / - base trails lifts ME Camden new / - base trails lifts
Eaton Mountain new / - base trails lifts
Lost Valley new pp / 10- 14 base 4 trails 1 lifts sm
Moosehead Resor new / - base trails lifts
Mt. Abram new lsgr /pp 9- 40 base 19 trails 2 lifts sm
Saddleback new / - base trails lifts
Shawnee Peak new lsgr /pp 12- 30 base 6 trails 2 lifts sm ns
Sugarloaf/usa new lsgr /frgr 13- 51 base 58 trails 5 lifts sm
Sunday River new pp /lsgr 22- 44 base 48 trails 8 lifts sm

New Hampshire
Attitash new lsgr / 16- 72 base 8 trails 2 lifts sm
Balsams/wildern new / - base trails lifts
Black Mountain new / - base trails lifts
Bretton Woods new lsgr /pp 10- 22 base 14 trails 3 lifts sm
Cannon Mtn new lsgr /frgr 15- 30 base 11 trails 3 lifts sm
Dartmouth Skiwa new lsgr /frgr 12- 24 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm
Gunstock new lsgr / 6- 18 base 6 trails 3 lifts sm
King Pine new lsgr / 8- 14 base 4 trails 2 lifts ns
King Ridge new lsgr /pp 6- 18 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm
Loon Mountain new lsgr /frgr 14- 20 base 12 trails 5 lifts sm
Mt. Cranmore new lsgr /pp 12- 66 base 5 trails 2 lifts sm
Mt. Sunapee new lsgr /frgr 2- 22 base 5 trails 3 lifts sm
Pat's Peak new lsgr / 4- 17 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm
Ragged Mtn new pp /lsgr 6- 28 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm
Temple Mtn new pp /frgr 14- 24 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm
Waterville Vly new lsgr / 14- 33 base 15 trails 6 lifts sm
Wildcat Mtn new lsgr / 22- 54 base 20 trails 3 lifts sm

New York
Alpine Meadows new / - base trails lifts
Belleayre new lsgr / 4- 20 base 4 trails 3 lifts sm
Big Birch new lsgr / 0- 8 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm ns
Big Tupper new lsgr / 6- 10 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm
Brantling new pp / 10- 20 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm ns
Bristol Mtn new frgr / 5- 15 base 4 trails 1 lifts ns
Davos new / - base trails lifts
Deer Run new lsgr / 4- 20 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm
Gore Mountain new frgr /hp 10- 40 base 15 trails 6 lifts sm

Greek Peak new lsgr /hp 3- 5 base 2 trails 2 lifts sm
Holiday Valley new lsgr / 4- 12 base 4 trails 4 lifts sm ns
Hunt Hollow new lsgr / 10- 19 base 4 trails 1 lifts sm
Hunter Mountain new pp /lsgr 8- 49 base 33 trails 13 lifts sm
Kissing Bridge new pp / 0- 22 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm
Labrador new lsgr / 0- 16 base 4 trails 1 lifts sm ns
Mccauley Mtn new frgr / 2- 20 base 3 trails lifts
Ski Windham new lsgr /pp 10- 51 base 15 trails 4 lifts sm
Song Mountain new lsgr / 0- 12 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm
Swain Ski Ctr new lsgr / 10- 20 base 2 trails 1 lifts sm ns
Titus Mountain new frgr / 6- 10 base 5 trails 3 lifts sm ns
Toggenburg Ski new lsgr / 8- 16 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm ns
West Mountain new lsgr / 10- 28 base 1 trails 1 lifts sm
Whiteface new pp /frgr 10- 26 base 8 trails 5 lifts sm
Woods Valley new frgr / 6- 10 base 3 trails 2 lifts sm ns

Pennsylvania
Alpine Mtn new / - base trails lifts
Big Boulder new pp / 6- 18 base 4 trails 2 lifts
Blue Mountain new pp / 10- 30 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm ns
Camelback new / - base trails lifts
Eagle Rock new lsgr / - 20 base 3 trails 1 lifts sm
Hidden Valley new lsgr / 4- 8 base 1 trails lifts sm
Jack Frost new pp / 14- 22 base 6 trails 4 lifts
Montage new lsgr / 12- 18 base 5 trails 3 lifts ns
Seven Springs new lsgr / 0- 16 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm
Shawnee Mtn new lsgr /pp 10- 25 base 6 trails 3 lifts sm ns
Ski Sawmill new / - base trails lifts

Vermont
Ascutney Mtn new pp / 4- 24 base 5 trails 3 lifts sm
Bolton Valley new pp / 12- 30 base 24 trails 6 lifts sm ns
Bromley Mtn new lsgr / 6- 26 base 10 trails 5 lifts sm
Burke Mountain new lsgr /frgr 10- 28 base 7 trails 3 lifts sm
Haystack new / - base trails lifts
Jay Peak new pp /lsgr 4- 36 base 27 trails 5 lifts sm
Killington new lsgr /pp 20- 34 base 61 trails 13 lifts sm
Magic Mountain new lsgr /frgr 14- 28 base 10 trails 3 lifts sm
Maple Valley new / - base trails lifts
Middlebury Snob new / - base trails lifts
Mt. Snow new pp /lsgr 12- 24 base 38 trails 8 lifts sm
Okemo Mountain new lsgr /pp 18- 30 base 43 trails 8 lifts sm
Pico new lsgr /pp 10- 40 base 21 trails 5 lifts sm
Smugglers Notch new lsgr /frgr 6- 24 base 10 trails 3 lifts sm
Stowe new pp /frgr 10- 38 base 23 trails 7 lifts sm
Stratton Mtn new lsgr /frgr 16- 29 base 20 trails 7 lifts sm
Sugarbush new pp /lsgr 15- 54 base 17 trails 7 lifts sm
Suicide Six new pp / 4- 12 base 4 trails 2 lifts sm

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#90356e0029 12/22/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
GUATEMALA CITY (DEC. 23) EFE - The Guatemalan government Saturday dubbed "drastic" the U.S. decision to suspend military aid to the Central American country due to its appalling human rights record.

A government statement said that the decision showed nothing "but incomprehension and disrespect for Guatemala's international policy, which the U.S. State Department has viewed with disgust in the past".

The statement said the government did not have +a repressive and violatory policy+, and that President Vinicio Cerezo was very alarmed at the decision to suspend military aid.

The United States had earmarked dlrs 2.9 million for the Guatemalan military during the 1991 fiscal year.

The dlrs 112 million in non-military aid to Guatemala will not be affected, and Guatemalan officers will continue their training in the United States.

The U.S. State Department said Friday that Washington was not accusing the government itself of violating human rights, but criticized Cerezo for rarely taking action to thoroughly investigate and prosecute those who do.

The U.S. statement said the Army slaying of 14 peasants earlier this month was an example of the violence which continues to go unchecked in Guatemala.

The 14 peasants were killed and 19 others wounded when troops opened fire on a crowd gathered outside an Army barracks apparently to hand over a drunken soldier who had tried to steal from a local store.

The Guatemalan government Saturday admitted judicial difficulties in investigating criminal cases, but reiterated that it wanted to punish every person responsible for human rights abuses.

"There are groups of people hostile to the regime who carry out attacks on human rights," the statement said.

The U.S. prohibition extends to the commercial sale of arms to the Guatemalan Army and blocks the shipment of weapons it previously bought from the United States.

In 1977, former U.S. president Jimmy Carter suspended military aid because of similar abuses.

Military aid was resumed in 1988, during former president Ronald Reagan's term.

Human rights groups say the Guatemalan Army has killed tens of thousands of civilians during the past 20 years in counter-insurgency operations aimed at wiping out support for leftist rebels.

Security forces have also been accused of running death squads which have killed dozens of people in the capital in the past three years.

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SAN SALVADOR (DEC. 23) EFE - El Salvador's leftist rebels said Saturday they would suspend a planned Christmas truce unless the Armed Forces ended what they called its persecution of the people.

In a telephone call to a radio station, a spokesman for the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) rebels said the Army continued with "repressive actions".

The FMLN has agreed not to conduct armed actions in the capital on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day, at the request of religious and civic organizations.

Since the rebels began an offensive at the end of November, the U.S.-backed Salvadoran military has undertaken extensive search operations in major towns, and particularly the capital.

On Saturday, inhabitants of Soyapango, on the outskirts of the capital, told reporters that a father and son were shot by police.

The FMLN has been locked in an insurgency against a series of governments for the last decade in which neither the Army nor the rebels has managed to gain the upper hand for any length of time.

United Nations-backed peace talks between the two sides have stalled on the FMLN's insistence on the removal of the Army from political life and an end to human rights abuses by the police and military.

Human rights groups and Church organizations have linked the Army to death squads which have killed more than half the 75,000 dead in the decade-long war.

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LONG BEACH, CA (DEC. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - David O. Swain has been named vice president-general manager for the U.S. Air Force- McDonnell Douglas C-17 airlifter program, the company announced today.

Swain will lead the McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) program, which directly employs more than 8,000 at the company's Douglas Aircraft division in Long Beach and another 5,000 who work on the program in parts fabrication and support roles here and at other McDonnell Douglas facilities.

Swain, who served as vice president-general manager of quality, business and technology development for Douglas Aircraft, was assigned to the C-17 program in early October as vice president in charge of all program and business related activities. Since then, he began the transition to the general manager's position with John Capellupo, who has served as interim manager of the C-17 program since May 1990.

Capellupo, named deputy president of Douglas Aircraft in January 1990, continues in that position.

A 26-year veteran of McDonnell Douglas, Swain began his career in 1964 as an engineer on the Gemini Project. After serving in positions of increasing responsibility in space and missile programs, he moved to McDonnell Douglas Electronics Co., where he served as vice president-deputy general manager during 1985 and as vice president-general manager during 1986 and 1987.

He returned to the astronautics company in 1987 to become vice president of strategic business development, a position he held until becoming vice president-general manager of quality, business and technology development at Douglas Aircraft in early 1989.

Swain earned a bachelor's degree in aeronautical engineering from Purdue University and undertook graduate studies at St. Louis University. He is a member of the NASA Aeronautics Advisory Committee and the California State University, Long Beach School of Engineering Advisory Council.

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#90356p5948 12/22/1990 ~PR Newswire

LONG BEACH, CA (DEC. 22) PR NEWSWIRE - Assembly of the first U.S. Air Force C-17 airlifter has been completed by McDonnell Douglas (NYSE: MD) at its new 1.1 million-square-foot assembly building here, a major event on the road to first flight in the first half of 1991.

More than 8,000 employees at the Douglas Aircraft division of McDonnell Douglas are directly assigned to the C-17 program in Long Beach. Approximately 5,000 others work on the program in parts fabrication and support roles here and at other McDonnell Douglas facilities.

More than 15,000 additional people work on the program at over 300 C-17 supplier and subcontractor facilities across the country, including Allied

Signal, Beech Aircraft, Delco, General Electric, Grumman, LTV, and Pratt and Whitney.

Len Impellizzeri, C-17 vice president-deputy general manager, added, "Much credit must be given to all of our C-17 suppliers, and especially to General Electric for their work on the electronic flight control system and to Pratt and Whitney for their excellent work on the C-17 engines."

The C-17 is an advanced jet transport designed to fly Army, Air Force and Marine Corps combat equipment, troops and out-sized cargo and humanitarian aid directly to small austere airfields anywhere in the world.

Using a unique powered lift technology, in which exhaust from the four engines blows around extra-large wing flaps, the aircraft can make slow, steep landing approaches. This enables it to operate on very short runways with high payloads.

Completion of assembly of the first C-17 is a condition for award of Production Lot 3, consisting of four aircraft funded in fiscal year 1990. This will bring to 10 the number of C-17s that will be under Air Force contract. The 10 production C-17s are in addition to the first aircraft completed today, which is called T-1, the first test aircraft.

During the final assembly process, the C-17's flight control system has been tested and the operation of the elevators, rudder, ailerons and flaps and the associated electrical and hydraulic systems has been demonstrated.

The aircraft now will be painted and then spend several weeks in ground test activities before going to the ramp for first flight preparations. A two-year flight test program is scheduled to begin in June, and employees on the program are pushing to beat that date, Swain said.

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DOHA, Qatar (DEC. 23) UPI - The emir of Qatar opened a Gulf Cooperation Council summit Saturday with a call for a regional security system that would guard in the future against aggressive acts such as the Iraqi invasion of member-state Kuwait.

The leaders of the six member-states of the GCC, meeting for the first time since the Aug. 2 invasion of the oil-rich emirate, were expected to discuss the creation of a regional Arab security force during the three days of talks in Doha.

Qatar's Sheikh Khalifa bin Hamad Al Thani described the Iraqi invasion as an

act of aggression against all gulf states and said the developments made it imperative that the the GCC reconsider its security needs.

''We need now, more than any time before, to take a new look at our style of work and at a more active security system that would allow us to face the challanges of the aftermath of the crisis and prevent the dangerous repetition of such aggressions in our region,'' Khalifa said in an address at the opening session of the summit.

Khalifa gave no details on the type of security system he had in mind, but gulf diplomatic sources said the leaders of the GCC were likely to discuss a deterrent Arab force, or some type of defense system that would cope against future threats.

The GCC, which includes Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Oman, was formed in 1981 to deal with regional economic and security problems caused by the Iran-Iraq war, which had started several months earlier.

Foreign troops, most of them from the United States, were deployed in Saudi Arabia and the UAE following the invasion of Kuwait in order to guard against future aggression.

The United States later suggested the creation of a permanent gulf defense force, but the idea was rejected by several Arab states concerned about the presence of foreign troops in the gulf in the long run.

Saudi Arabia has said repeatedly the foreign troops will leave the kingdom when the gulf crisis is over, and diplomatic sources said any defense system discussed by the GCC leaders would be purely Arab in nature.

A GCC military force called the Peninsula Shield is based in Eastern Saudi Arabia, but it is considered inadequate.

The emir of Qatar lashed out at Iraq for the invasion of Kuwait, saying the aggression made it ''urgently necessary to draw a comprehensive and clear strategy on the policies that should be pursued in the future.''

He appealed to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw his troops from the emirate by Jan. 15, the deadline imposed by the United Nations, which has authorized the use of force against Iraq after that date.

Khalifa received separate messages from President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev before the start of the summit, assuring GCC leaders that the superpowers are committed to driving Iraq from Kuwait and restoring its territorial integrity, Egypt's Middle East News Agency said.

Kuwait's exiled emir, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sabah, was expected to brief

the GCC leaders on the situation within the occupied emirate.

All heads of state of the GCC were present at the summit, except the emir of Bahrain Sheikh Issa Bin Salman Al Khalifa, who has been ailing for months.

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#90356u0705 12/22/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 23) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev invalidated the formation of separate Russian-speaking and Gagauz republics within Moldavia Saturday, but also ordered the Moldavian government to reconsider a language law and other acts.

The presidential decree ''to normalize the situation in Moldavia'' also ordered the republic's government in Kishinev to abide by national laws and decrees and ensure equal rights for all citizens of the republic.

Moldavia, a small republic in the western Soviet Union bordering Romania, has been split by ethnic unrest since elections brought a nationalist Moldavian-dominated government to power earlier this year. Ethnic Moldavians share a language and many cultural ties with Romania.

The new government in Kishinev immediately moved to assert Moldavia's sovereignty by replacing Russian with Moldavian, a dialect of Romanian, as the required language for all official business in the republic.

The Turkic-speaking Gagauzis in southern Moldavia and the Russian- speaking Ukrainians and Russians in the eastern Dniester region responded by declaring their areas sovereign republics.

Moldavia formed vigilante committees that attempted to stop the formation of separate Parliaments in the two regions, leading to ethnic clashes that resulted in at least three deaths.

Gorbachev's decree follows the Moldavian government's lead by declaring the formation of the separate republics invalid, but he also ordered that provisions of the language law and other nationalist legislation be repealed or reconsidered.

Moldavia's delegation to the current session of the U.S.S.R. Congress of People's Deputies walked out of the conclave earlier this week, but apparently agreed to return after Gorbachev promised to issue his decree.

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#90356u0731 12/22/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (DEC. 23) UPI - Israeli soldiers Saturday shot and killed a man suspected of infiltrating across the Jordan River carrying a Molotov cocktail

and two Islamic holy books, military sources said.

An Israeli patrol discovered tracks from Jordan leading into the Israeli-occupied West Bank, about 6 miles north of the Jordan Valley's Adam Bridge about 11 a.m. Saturday, military sources said.

''The (Israeli) patrol tracked the infiltrator, opened fire and as a result the infiltrator was killed,'' one military source said.

No Israeli soldiers were wounded. Military sources said the infiltrator carried a Molotov cocktail and two Korans, the Islamic holy book.

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#90356u0734 12/22/1990 ~United Press International

WARSAW, Poland (DEC. 22) UPI - Lech Walesa, the unemployed electrician who jumped over a shipyard fence a decade ago to lead a strike that shook the communist world, was sworn in Saturday as Poland's first freely elected president since before World War II.

''With this moment, the Third Republic of Poland is solemnly beginning,'' the Solidarity founder said in a brief inaugural speech. ''The bad time, when the authorities of our state were elected under pressure from aliens or as the effect of imposed compromises, is coming to an end.

''Today, we are taking a fundamental step along the long and bloodstained road to the rebuilding of our independence.''

Walesa is the first president elected by popular vote in Poland and the first democratically elected president since 1926, when the Parliament elected Gen. Jozef Pilsudski, although he refused to take the post and appointed Ignacy Moscicki instead. Moscicki fled Poland when Germany invaded Sept. 1, 1939.

Walesa, 47, the 1983 Nobel Peace Prize recipient, won the presidency in an election Dec. 9, a decade after founding the labor movement that eventually took control of the government as communism crumbled in the East.

In ceremonies brimming with traditions ignored in Poland since the communist takeover half a century ago, Walesa also reviewed the troops as commander-in-chief and accepted the insignia of the pre-war Polish republic - kept in London until Poland was able to freely elect a president once again.

Walesa, solemn in a black suit with the ever-present Black Madonna icon on his lapel and his wife, Danuta, at his side, repeated the oath of office administered by Mikolai Kozakiewicz, speaker of the lower house of Parliament, or Sejm.

With his right hand raised, Walesa concluded the oath but firmly added, ''So

help me God'' - language not in the original oath - to the applause of deputies in this overwhelmingly Roman Catholic nation.

Later in the ornate ballroom of the Royal Castle, Walesa accepted the presidential insignia from Ryszard Kaczorowski, president of the Polish government-in-exile that fled Poland for London in 1939.

''In 1939, the president of the Polish Republic left this castle,'' said Walesa, who exchanged kisses on the cheek with Kaczorowski. ''Today, after all these years, this journey is coming to an end. The president of the Polish government-in-exile is back in the castle.''

Watching the swearing-in ceremony were the Polish primate, Cardinal Jozef Glemp, attending a swearing-in for the first time, and members of the outgoing government, including Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki.

But the chair of the outgoing president, Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, was empty, and about 20 communist deputies refused to stand or applaud his speech.

Jaruzelski announced he would not attend after Walesa made it clear he would accept the presidential insignia from the government-in-exile - and not from the former Communist Party leader.

During his speech, Walesa pledged to continue the policies of the Mazowiecki government, but with modifications - including the faster distribution of state-owned property to private owners.

''Poland should become a nation of owners,'' he said. ''This is the simplest and best-proven way to responsibility.''

Walesa stressed Poland's role in Europe and its connections with the Ukraine, Byelorussia and Lithuania as well as Russia - pointedly omitting direct reference to the Soviet Union.

Lastly, the man who once worked as an electrician in a shipyard in the port city of Gdansk pledged not to forget his roots.

''I come from a peasant family and I have been a worker for many years,'' he said. ''''I wish that the fact of my elevation will make all ''

An hour after leaving Parliament, the new president - who holds the rank of corporal - reviewed the troops in the courtyard of the Royal Castle, returning to another prewar tradition.

The ceremony included his introduction to some 30 Polish generals, many of them Communist Party members who were told for years Walesa was their enemy.

Walesa burst onto the Polish and world stage Aug. 14, 1980, when he climbed over the fence at Gdansk's Lenin shipyard to join, and then lead, the 18-day strike that opened the way for the transformation of a nation.

He remained head of the union as it was suppressed by Jaruzelski's imposition of martial law Dec. 13, 1981, and in the difficult years that followed.

He engineered the roundtable agreement in 1989 that led to partly free parliamentary elections won by Solidarity, and then backed the installation of Mazowiecki as premier. But Walesa soon broke with his former adviser over the pace of reforms and announced he would run for president.

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#90356u0736 12/22/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, Egypt (DEC. 23) UPI - Iraq issued an order Saturday that all schools, including kindergartens, be closed if the the U.S.-led multinational force in the region attacks the country, the official Iraqi news agency INA reported.

''Closing these institutions will take place without a notification from the concerned authorities until further notice once the atheists and their tails (agents) start their aggression against the great Iraq,'' INA quoted a statement from the presidential palace as saying.

The U.N. Security Council has authorized the multinational troops to use force against Iraq if it does not withdraw its troops from Kuwait by Jan. 15.

On Friday, civil defense authorities in Iraq staged a massive evacuation drill of Baghdad in preparation for a possible war.

About 1 million Baghdad residents were believed to have been evacuated to safe camps outside of the capital in a defense exercise aimed at testing the country's ability to cope with any major attack.

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#90356u0744 12/22/1990 ~United Press International

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica (DEC. 23) UPI - A strong earthquake jolted the Costa Rican capital of San Jose Saturday, interrupting telephone service and causing some damage, but there were no immediate reports of casualties.

The quake registered 5.7 on the open-ended Richter scale with an epicenter in the Pacific Ocean, about 125 miles south of San Jose, according Russ Needham, a geophysicist for the U.S. Geological Survey in Golden, Colo.

Telephone service was cut off for about two hours, windows shattered and some buildings sustained heavy damage but the Red Cross reported no injuries and said calm had returned to the areas most affected by the quake and its

aftershock.

Saturday's earthquake was thought to be the largest in the country since 1975, when a temblor in Tilaran left 10 people dead and caused several landslides.

David Serrano, a radio reporter in San Jose, said his station sustained considerable damage when the quake hit the Central American nation at 11:28 a.m., cutting off station broadcasts for 25 minutes. He said a strong aftershock hit an hour later and disrupted telephone service.

''Part of the ceiling fell to the floor and the desks in the newsroom were overturned,'' Serrano said. He added San Jose's main cathedral was cordoned off because of cracks in the structure.

Maria Elena Ramirez Zuniga was sewing in her second floor bedroom when the quake shook her home in a suburb of San Jose.

''I dropped the scissors, I dropped everything,'' she said. ''I stopped in the door frame and I couldn't move out of fear. I thought everything was going to collapse.''

She said bottles of perfume and wall ornaments fell to the floor, and the street light outside exploded, but no one in her family was hurt.

''Thank God we're OK,'' she said. ''But we are shaken up because we've never seen one so enormous.''

The government released a report Friday that said some 20,000 earthquakes were recorded in Costa Rica during 1990. The report, which said 662 of the quakes could be felt,attributed the high number of temblors to a March 25 quake off the Pacific coast of Costa Rica that measured 6.9 on the Richter scale.

The quake, caused by the movement of the Caribbean and Coco tectonic plates, left the area prone to more temblors, the report said.

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#90356u0745 12/22/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, Thailand (DEC. 23) UPI - Vietnam faces a difficult year ahead because of cutbacks in assistance from the Soviet Union, internal inefficiency and the continuing U.S. embargo, Prime Minister Do Muoi said.

''1991 is the year that we will face unprecedented challenges,'' Muoi said in a speech, closing the winter session of the National Assembly Friday. The speech was broadcast by Radio Hanoi late Friday.

He said 3 million tons of fuel, 2.5 million tons of fertilizer and 400,000 tons of iron and steel were previously provided by the Soviet Union at

friendly prices in rubles.

''Now we have to buy these materials at the world market price and payment is made in hard currencies,'' he said.

He said the government would try to halt all ''unessential'' imports and reduce the number of government employees. Moreover, he said the national budget was in serious deficit because ''state revenue collection is low and uncertain.''

The state capital construction budget was limited to $234 million, far too low to maintain the country' s crumbling infrastructure.

Foreign debt service alone will eat up 15 percent of all revenues, he said.

''Chances for obtaining foreign loans, aid, and investments are not so great because of continued U.S. embargo policy,'' Muoi said.

The U.S. government has said the embargo, in effect since the Vietnam War, will continue until Vietnam helps find a satisfactory settlement to the conflict in Cambodia. Last week, however, Vietnam rejected a U.N. peace plan already approved by the United States and the Soviet Union.

Muoi said the government had targeted 5.6 percent growth for 1991, but the economy was more likely to grow at about 4 percent while the population continued to expand by 2.13 percent.

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BOSTON (DEC. 23) UPI - Sanctions against Iraq are having a devastating effect on civilians, with a lack of medical supplies killing children every day, members of a Nobel Prize-winning physicians group said Saturday.

Three officials of International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War returned Saturday evening from an eight-day trip to the Middle East that included meetings with up to 75 Iraqi doctors and tours of Iraqi hospitals.

''All (the doctors) had a common story of the effect of the blockade in keeping medicines out,'' said William Monning, executive director of the Cambridge-based group, which won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1985.

''They've totally squeezed off the country. Babies are dying. It's horrendous. This didn't even happen in Nazi Germany,'' Monning said after arriving at Logan International Airport.

The lack of essential medicines in Iraq affects newborn children, premature babies and the elderly most severely, Monning said. Polio, which had not been

seen in Iraq for the past five years, is re-emerging, he said.

The embargo has also resulted in an increase in the mortality rate of young children, he said. ''About three to four are dying (in hospitals) each day,'' he said, attributing the deaths to the lack of medicine.

Monning said the United States and its allies are violating the United Nations sanctions in preventing medicine from entering Iraq.

''It's an absolute requirement of the sanctions. It says excepted from this embargo are medicines and other humanitarian aid. The sanctions are being violated,'' he said. ''It contravenes all principles of the Geneva Convention.''

Monning and two other IPPNW officials, co-president Dr. Bernard Lown and Dr. John Pastore, secretary of the organization, visited Amman, Jordan, and Cairo, Egypt, as well as Baghdad.

They were joined on their mission by Dr. Ulrich Gottstein of Germany, the group's vice president for Europe; Dr. Sergei Kolesnikov, president of the Eastern Siberian branch of the USSR Academy of Medical Sciences and people's deputy to the Soviet Parliament; and Dr. Aurora Bilbau, an official with IPPNW's Spanish chapter.

The delegation succeeded in establishing an IPPNW chapter in Iraq, which will be the 70th affiliate of the 200,000-member group, Monning said.

Monning said that while President Bush has directed the American public's focus on Saddam Hussein, it is not the Iraqi president but civilians who would suffer in the event of a war.

''It is the innocent civilians who will be the victims. President Bush focuses on Saddam Hussein, but for every soldier killed six to eight civilians will be killed,'' he said.

Monning said the plight of Iraqi children was brought home to him most vividly when a doctor in Baghdad relayed his children's fear of war to the visiting delegation.

''His children were asking him, 'Will they drop an atomic bomb on us? What are they going to do?'''

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(DEC. 23) UPI - WEATHER AROUND THE U.S.A.:

City & Fcst Hi Lo Pcp

Albuquerque pc	23	12	.12
Anchorage r	29	25	.02
Asheville r	62	50	.04
Atlanta ts	68	52	.01
Baltimore sh	63	48	....
Billings nc	-06	-26	....
Birmingham ts	71	65	.18
Bismarck pc	-10	-17	....
Boston sh	62	56	.05
Brownsville mc	68	33	....
Buffalo sl	56	52	.42
Burlington Vt. r	57	50	.05
Charleston S.C. cy	74	65	.47
Charlotte sh	65	50	.04
Chicago pc	18	06	.03
Cincinnati sn	57	37	.22
Cleveland sn	58	43	.11
Columbus Ohio sn	58	47	.31
Dallas sn	15	13	.02
Denver pc	-03	-25	.01
Des Moines cy	-04	-11	....
Detroit pc	55	35	....
Duluth pc	-10	-17	.05
El Paso pc	55	41	....
Evansville sn	31	30	.44
Fargo pc	-11	-21	.03
Hartford sh	59	36	.04
Honolulu sh	79	74	.08
Houston mc	29	26	....
Indianapolis sn	34	23	.04
Jackson Miss. sl	73	49	1.66
Jacksonville cy	81	59	....
Kansas City sn	01	-06	.01
Las Vegas cl	34	16	....
Little Rock cy	27	27	.13
Los Angeles sy	52	33	....
Louisville sn	57	37	.41
Memphis cy	39	39	.07
Miami Beach pc	79	74	....
Milwaukee pc	17	05	.03
Minneapolis pc	-09	-18	.01
Nashville r	63	40	2.47
New Orleans ts	77	69	.30
New York sh	61	57	....
Oklahoma City sn	06	04	....
Omaha cy	-02	-13	....
Orlando pc	84	66	....
Philadelphia sh	61	50	....

Phoenix sy	46	35	.04
Pittsburgh sn	62	56	.10
Portland Me. r	57	37	.25
Portland Ore. pc	21	13	....
Providence sh	61	52	.08
Richmond sh	65	52	....
St. Louis sn	12	06	.34
Salt Lake City cy	02	-06	....
San Antonio pc	24	22	....
San Diego f	52	39	.01
San Francisco sy	41	38	....
San Juan pc	83	75	....
Seattle pc	26	15	....
Spokane pc	06	-09	....
Tampa pc	85	66	....
Washington sh	64	47	.01
Wichita cy	02	-03	.21

c-clear

cl-clearing

cy-cloudy

f-fair

fy-foggy

hz-haze

m-missing

mc-mostly cloudy

pc-partly cloudy

r-rain

sh-showers

sl-sleet

sm-smoke

sn-snow

sy-sunny

ts-thunderstorms

w-windy

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#90356u0947 12/22/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 23) UPI - TRANSACTIONS:

Basketball

Boston - Signed free agent swingman Derek Smith for remainder of season.

Orlando - Activated guard Sam Vincent; waived guard Howard Wright.

College

Florida State - Announced tackle Eric Gibbs and running backs Jason Pierce and Brooks Akins will not be allowed to play in bowl game for missing exams.

North Carolina St. - Suspended indefinitely senior forward David Lee and junior guard Roland Whitley from basketball team.

Football

New England - Claimed free safety Tim Gordon off waivers from Atlanta; placed running back Jamie Morris on injured reserve.

San Francisco - Activated running back Keith Henderson; waived safety Bruce Plummer.

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#90356u0953 12/22/1990 ~United Press International
NORFOLK, VA (DEC. 23) UPI - The Navy Saturday night released the names of 14 of the 19 sailors who died when a ferry capsized while traveling from Haifa, Israel, to the aircraft carrier USS Saratoga.

The remaning five names of those killed in the accident Friday night will be released after their relatives have been notified, the Atlantic Fleet said.

The sailors and their assignments were:

-Airman Apprentice Christopher B. Brown, 19, Leslie, Ga., USS Saratoga.
-Airman Apprentice Darrell K. Brown, 19, Memphis, Tenn., USS Saratoga.
-Seaman Monray C. Carrington, 22, North Braddock, Pa., USS Saratoga.
-Airman Larry M. Clark, 21, Decatur, Ga., USS Saratoga.
-Signalman 3rd Class Delwin Delgado, 26, Jacksonville, Fla., USS Saratoga.

-Fireman Wilton L. Huyghue, 20, St. Thomas, Virgin, Islands, USS Saratoga.
-Fire Control Technician 3rd Class Timothy J. Jackson, 20, Anniston, Ala., USS Saratoga.

-Airman Brent A. McCreight, 23, Eminence, Ky., USS Saratoga.
-Airman Apprentice Randy L. Neel, 19, Albuquerque, N.M., Strike Fighter Squadron 83.

-Data Systems Technician Matthew J. Schiedler, 20, Hubbard, Ore., USS Saratoga.

-Disbursing Clerk Timothy B. Seay, 22, Thomaston, Ga., USS Saratoga.
-Mess Management Specialist Apprentice Jeffrey A. Settimi, 25, Fort Wayne, Ind., USS Saratoga.
-Fire Control Technician Chief Jeffrey W. Shukers, 28, Union, Iowa, USS Saratoga.
-Mess Specialist 2nd Class Philip L. Wilkinson, 35, Savannah, Ga., USS Saratoga.

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#90357d2280 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (DEC. 23) - Iraq's new Defence Minister, Saadi Toamma Abbas, in a sharp reaction to recent remarks by the U.S. defense secretary said Sunday Baghdad's army was ready to crush any aggression by an American-led task force in the Gulf.

U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney told U.S. troops stationed in Saudi Arabia Friday that it was increasingly likely that a war would be needed to expel Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

''Cheney and his aides will see how the ground under their feet will be burned not only by Iraq, but also by Saudi strugglers and Mujahedeen (holy warriors) '' said Lieutenant-General Abbas, who was named earlier this month to succeed Abdel Jabar Khalil Shanshal.

Abbas, in a statement broadcast by Baghdad Radio, said in the event of a U.S. attack on Iraq, Moslems all over the world would chant Allah Akhbar (God is great) and join in the battle against ''unbelievers and traitors''.

''For our part, we tell (U.S. Secretary of State James) Baker and his agents in Saudi Arabia that we are ready, with God's help, to crush their aggression if they decide to attack the land of dignity and faith in great Iraq,'' Abbas added.

''The oppressors will be defeated by (Iraq's) crushing strikes,'' said Abbas, who earned a reputation as tough military man and ''a war hero'' during the eight-year Gulf war between Iraq and Iran.

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#90357d2330 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 23) - The Mozambican parliament has approved a bill which will permit a multi-party democracy in the war-ravaged state for the first time in 15 years.

The bill was passed by all 250 members of the Mozambican assembly and paves the way for the first free elections in the country since independence from Portugal in 1975.

While three other political parties have already indicated that they intend contesting the elections, due to be held sometime next year, the right-wing Renamo rebel movement, has not yet announced its decision.

Renamo is currently negotiating with the ruling Frelimo party on an end to the 15-year guerrilla war which has left the country's economy in ruins.

When Mozambique finally abandoned its socialist policies and implemented a western-style constitution at the end of last month, President Joaquim Chissano said although he wanted Renamo to participate in the 1991 elections, no party ''practicing acts of violence'' would be permitted to do so.

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#90357d2400 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (DEC. 23) - Christian bishops in Jerusalem's Old City are incensed at Israeli authorities for what they consider harrassment of their churches and are saying so publicly ahead of Christmas festivities.

"If the holy sites don't witness peace and justice, the Middle East will become a volcano," Monsignor Michel Sabbah, the Roman Catholic bishop here told east Jerusalem's Arabic daily Al-Fajr.

He said Israeli authorities had this year plunged Christian churches, against their will, into the heart of the battle.

Jerusalem's three bishops -- Catholic, Greek Orthodox and Armenian -- along with other leading co-religionists issued a joint statement last week criticizing new pressures on them in the past year.

The statement on Thursday referred to "constant (Israeli) efforts to alter the Old City's demography, notably with the appropriation of St. John's hospice, owned by the Greek Orthodox patriarch, by Israeli settlers."

The hospice near the Church of the Holy Sepulchre was taken over on April 11 by Jewish extremist settlers who claimed the building was sold by its owner to

a Lebanese businessman and sublet to them by an Armenian man.

The Greek Orthodox patriarchate in Jerusalem has denied that any such transaction occured.

The bishops' statement voiced the religious leaders' concern about "the constant erosion of traditional rights and longstanding privileges of the churches, through municipal and governmental taxes."

"This year, the Israelis have openly declared war against the churches by trying to strangle them economically through heavy taxes," said a Catholic priest who asked not to be named.

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#90357d2440 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 23) - Tension heightened at the weekend in the Baltic republics, as a Soviet military building was bombed in Latvia and Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis warned citizens to prepare to resist a crackdown by Moscow.

Lithuanian Foreign Minister Romualdas Ozolas said on Saturday that he had been informed that commanders of Soviet army units in Lithuania had received sealed envelopes containing secret orders to be opened on Christmas Eve.

He said that they could contain orders to institute a state of emergency in the 80 per cent Catholic republic.

Meanwhile, Mr. Landsbergis called on Lithuanians to "resist in case of the institution of direct occupational rule in Lithuania", and suggested the formation of an independent army of "volunteer troops".

On Wednesday, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev threatened to introduce a state of emergency or direct presidential rule in the Soviet Union's "most troubled regions", and the Estonian government announced plans for a civil disobedience campaign in case of direct Soviet rule.

In the Latvian capital of Riga, a bomb exploded at a Soviet Army engineering academy on Saturday, blowing out 200 windows and causing 50,000 rubles (30,000 dollars) in damage, but no injuries.

Ten bomb attacks have been made since December 5, most of them aimed at military, KGB and Communist Party targets.

The Latvian government has denounced the bombings, and nationalists say they are the work of Soviet undercover agents seeking to justify the proclamation of a state of emergency in the republic.

On Thursday, an entire district of Riga was closed off without explanation by Soviet troops in combat gear who checked papers and vehicles.

Latvia, where only 54 per cent of the 2.7 million inhabitants are native Latvians and nationalists hold a thin majority in the republican parliament, appears to be the weak link in the Baltic independence movement.

Since Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's decree last month authorizing Soviet servicemen to use their weapons "in case of threat to their lives or those of their families", armed Soviet troops have been patrolling the streets of the main Lithuanian port of Klaipeda and making identity checks.

Soviet television has regularly shown pictures in recent weeks of Soviet soldiers on hospital beds saying that they had been beaten by Lithuanian youths while on leave.

Similar accusations were made in the Soviet press before the annexation of the Baltic countries in July, 1940, observers said.

The military, whose officers have flatly refused to give up their bases in the Baltics, has mobilized to obtain a harder line from the Kremlin on policy towards the rebellious republics.

Five hundred representatives of Baltic military garrisons, meeting on Friday in Riga, threatened to take control of vital facilities in the region.

Only hours after a violent attack on Saturday by the head of the KGB against nationalist movements in general, Mr. Gorbachev issued a decree overruling nationalist legislation passed by the Moldavian parliament and declaring null and void the declarations of independence by regions of the republic inhabited predominantly by ethnic minorities.

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#90357d2840 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (DEC. 23) - King Hussein held talks on the Gulf crisis here Sunday with Japan's former foreign minister Saburo Okita, officials said.

The Jordanian monarch reiterated his commitment to a peaceful solution to the crisis, triggered by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, "to avert the disasters that will be sparked by the use of force."

Mr. Okita, who was foreign minister in 1979-80, arrived Sunday in Amman for a two-day visit at the invitation of Crown Prince Hassan, Japanese embassy sources said.

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#90357d2860 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (DEC. 23) - The trial of a 21-year-old Israeli charged with the cold-blooded killings of seven Palestinians last May opened Sunday at a court in Tel Aviv.

Ami Popper was charged in June with the May 20 killings of seven Arab workers in Rishon Le Zion near Tel Aviv and with the attempted murder of 10 other Palestinians, all of whom were shot and wounded.

Mr. Popper's lawyers intend to argue that the defendant was "mentally unbalanced," as a result of having once been sexually assaulted, and that the killings were not premeditated, according to sources close to the defense team.

Mr. Popper is accused of having stolen an assault rifle from his bother, who was serving in the Israeli army, and of going to Rishon Le Zion where he began checking identity papers of Palestinians coming to work in Israel from the occupied territories.

He allegedly stopped an car registered in the Gaza Strip, ordered its Palestinian passengers to line up in front of him and opened fire.

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#90357d2890 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DHAKA (DEC. 23) - Bangladesh's election commission Sunday said nomination papers for upcoming parliamentary polls could be filed until January 10, moving the deadline forward, state-run television reported.

The commission earlier said nomination papers for the February 27 polls could be filed up until election day.

No reason for the decision was immediately available.

Two main alliances, led by the Awami League of Sheikh Hasina Wajed and Begum Khaleda Zia's Bangladesh Nationalist Party and scores of smaller parties are expected to contest the 300 seats in parliament, the Jatiya Sangsad.

No announcement has been made on whether ousted president Hussain Mohammad Ershad's Jatiya Party would be allowed to stand in the elections.

Mr. Ershad, 60, dissolved parliament December 6, hours before he stepped down in the face of a mass upsurge against his eight-year-old government.

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#90357d3350 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BELGRADE (DEC. 23) - The Albanian trade union federation has decided to break away from the communist party, the Albanian news agency ATA reported on Sunday.

The union body "insists on becoming a political, social and pluralist association, and an independent electoral force," it said in a statement published by ATA, following a meeting of its executive in Tirana.

The unions, said the statement, "will reform themselves so as to serve the vital interests of the workers," while remaining open to all people "regardless of political, ideological and religious convictions."

The federation demanded a hand in business decisions, planning and division of profits within companies.

The trade union federation is the third official organization to announce its independence from the Albanian Communist Party, after the Democratic Front and the Alliance of Albanian Youth last week.

The independence of these three organizations, while it may prove only nominal may lead in the long term to the weakening of the ruling Communist Party as these formations seek true autonomy, analysts said.

The legalization of opposing political parties, announced December 11, may also thin the ranks of the Communist Party, which is estimated to have 110,000 members out of a population of 3.2 million.

However, while most Eastern European communist parties were losing members well before the upheavals of 1989, the membership of the Albanian party has apparently continued to rise.

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#90357d3370 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 23) - U.S. intelligence officials fear a ''suitcase war'' waged by Arab terrorists with targets already reconnoitred, should a Gulf war break out, it was reported Sunday.

The magazine ''U.S. News and World Report'' said Iraqi- and Libyan-financed terrorists were feared already to have built up underground cells in U.S. cities, awaiting a signal from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Intelligence experts said it was feared that new, undetectable explosives could easily be smuggled through airport security checks in luggage.

Evidence that such a terrorism wave would accompany any outbreak of war in the Gulf had come from information gathered in Turkey, Morocco and Pakistan.

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#90357d3430 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DAR ES SALAAM (DEC. 23) - A thief who fled from a Tanzanian court to avoid a jail sentence, plunged into a river to shake off police pursuit and into the waiting jaws of a hungry crocodile.

Salimu Hatibu, 27, made his ill-fated bid for freedom after being convicted by a court in northeastern Korogwe district of stealing from a church.

His body has not been recovered.

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#90357d3620 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TRIPOLI (DEC. 23) - Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni, the current chairman of the Organisation of African Unity, arrived here Sunday for talks with Libyan leaders.

He was accorded ''a massive official welcoming ceremony'', headed by revolutionary leader Moamer Gaddafi, at Tripoli International Airport, Jana news agency reported.

Museveni and Gaddafi ''shook hands warmly'' and were then presented with bouquets of flowers. The two leaders listened to the national anthems of their countries while a 21-gun salute was fired to greet the Ugandan head of state.

The Ugandan president was accompanied by Foreign Minister Kawangua Sabmograra and Finance Minister Dr. Kirouja, Jana said.

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#90357d3660 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 23) - Former secretary of state George Shultz Sunday said U.S. policy in the Gulf crisis should seek not only to force Iraq out of Kuwait, but also to neutralize the Iraqi military capacity.

"We have to correct the imbalance of power that is there when our forces are not there, we have to do something about (Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's) chemical weapons and ... other weapons of mass destruction," Mr. Shultz said in an interview on the ABC television network.

Mr. Shultz, secretary of state during the administration of Ronald Reagan, added that the United States should go beyond forcing Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait and hold Mr. Hussein accountable for the abuses of Iraqi occupying forces.

"War crimes have been committed and there must be accountability," Mr. Shultz said.

Asked about the means the United States might use to achieve its objectives,

Mr. Shultz noted there were means other than war, but that it was still necessary to be prepared to fight.

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#90357d3670 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 23) - French cinema director Pierre Chenal died on Sunday of cardiac arrest at a hospital in the Paris suburb of Garenne Colombes, friends said. He was 86.

He produced about 30 films, and was particularly known for "Crime and Punishment", which he made with Harry Baur in 1935.

He was born Philippe Cohen in 1904, and was a journalist and writer before becoming a movie director.

He worked, among others, with Louis Jouvet, Eric von Stroheim, Marcel Dalio, Viviane Romance and Michel Audiard.

In 1986, after a 20-year absence, he returned to the cinema with a 14-minute thriller, "Le Hasard mene le jeu".

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#90357d3720 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NOUAKCHOTT (DEC. 23) - Algerian President Chadli Bendjedid held talks here Sunday with Mauritanian leader Colonel Maouiya Ould Sid'Ahmed Taya and said that a peaceful settlement to the Gulf crisis "is still possible."

Mr. Chadli, on the last leg of a tour which has also taken him to Rome, Paris, Madrid and Rabat, denied during a press conference having said that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was ready to make concessions.

But, he added: "An Arab solution remains possible and can serve as the basis for an international solution."

Colonel Taya said that he hoped Mr. Chadli would be successful in his efforts to find a peaceful settlement to the Gulf crisis.

Mauritania, an Islamic republic, has condemned Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait but has also denounced the presence of foreign troops in Saudi Arabia.

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#90357d3740 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHAD (DEC. 23) - Iraqi civil defense authorities on Sunday set off an alarm siren in eastern Baghad to test the population's readiness to take cover in case of foreign attack, correspondents reported.

The first test was immediately followed by a 10-minute power cut in the district, known as Rousafa.

With the electricity shut down, the alarm siren resumed for a one full minute.

Traffic during the power cut came to a halt in Rousafa.

The test was the first here since the start of the Gulf crisis August 2, which triggered the massive deployment of U.S. and other forces in the region opposed to the Iraqi seizure of Kuwait.

Authorities in Saudi Arabia, where more than 200,000 foreign forces are stationed, have also begun to test their warning sirens, notably in the eastern part of the kingdom near the border with Iraq and Kuwait.

On Friday, nearly a million Iraqis living in Baghad, from a total population of four million, were temporarily evacuated as preparation for feared U.S. air raids.

U.S.-led multinational troops have been authorized by the United Nations to use force against Iraq after January 15 if Iraqi units have not withdrawn from Kuwait by then.

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#90357d3770 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (DEC. 23) - French Defense Minister Jean-Pierre Chevenement cancelled a meeting Sunday with his Saudi counterpart after failing to persuade authorities here to permit a rock concert for French troops, a French source disclosed in the Saudi capital.

In Paris the defense ministry announced that discussions with Saudi authorities had failed "and the definitive cancellation at the request of the Saudi side came this Sunday afternoon."

Saudi Arabia initially approved two rock concerts by singer Eddy Mitchell but cancelled them at the last minute on Saturday, citing excessive publicity surrounding the event.

The Saudis then relented and a concert had been planned for Sunday.

Committed to a strict and ascetic form of Islam, Saudi officials apparently feared the concerts could offend local traditions.

Mr. Chevenement "made every effort to ensure that the Eddy Mitchell concert, planned for Sunday, could take place," the French source said here.

But he added: "After French-Saudi discussions, a high-level French decision was taken to cancel the concert."

In Paris, sources close to the presidency said that in light of persistent Saudi objections, French authorities had no choice but to call off the performance.

Mr. Chevenement, who arrived here Sunday, cancelled a meeting he was to have had with Saudi Defense Minister Prince Sultan Bin Abdel Aziz.

Mr. Chevenement is spending Christmas with French troops stationed in the kingdom as part of a multinational force that deployed in the Gulf after the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

With Saudi approval for Sunday, stage crews had begun rebuilding a set in the desert that they had dismantled the day before.

The stage had not been completed when French troops began arriving on the scene early Sunday afternoon.

But an hour before the concert was to begin, the cancellation order struck like a bombshell, leaving soldiers disgruntled and incredulous.

"We're maybe going to the front for them and they deprive us of our concert," said one irritated officer.

Journalists were not allowed to meet Mr. Mitchell, who was touring nearby French positions.

After a mid-day press conference Monday Mr. Chevenement will spend the day in the desert with French units. He was also likely to travel on Tuesday to Houfouh, in eastern Saudi Arabia where French combat planes are based, and to the Red Sea port of Yanbu.

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#90357d3810 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARAMARIBO (DEC. 23) - The former military ruler of Suriname, Lieutenant Colonel Desi Bouterse, announced Sunday he was resigning as army chief because of differences with President Ramsewak Shankar.

He will be replaced by his second in command, Lieutenant Iwan Graanoogst, an army spokesman said.

Lt. Col. Bouterse said through a spokesman that he did not want his resignation to halt peace talks with guerrillas led by former army officer Ronny Brunswijk, and his 38-year-old successor said he would in fact continue the negotiations.

Lt. Col. Bouterse, 45, seized power in a 1980 coup and ruled for nearly eight years before handing over power to an elected government led by Mr. Shankar. But Lt. Col. Bouterse has remained a powerful figure in this former Dutch colony in northeastern South America.

He announced his decision to resign on returning home overnight from a trip to Europe. He accused Mr. Shankar of failing to support him during three run-ins he had with the Netherlands authorities during stopovers in Amsterdam last week.

On the three occasions, Lt. Col. Bouterse was refused permission to meet with journalists at Amsterdam airport. The Dutch authorities said the decision was "for his own safety and in the interest of public order".

"I have no respect for the way in which this man defends the interests of Suriname," Lt. Col. Bouterse said of the president, according to press reports.

"Even a beggar must have some pride," added the former strongman, apparently alluding to Suriname's reliance on Dutch financial aid.

Lt. Col. Bouterse was expected to formally submit his resignation Sunday or Monday.

He has led the army's fight against Mr. Brunswijk's Jungle Commando, which emerged in 1986 and is composed mainly of descendants of runaway slaves.

The war has claimed some 500 lives and forced an estimated 10,000 Surinamese to flee, most of them to neighboring French Guiana.

The rebels began peace talks in 1989 with the Shankar government, and later continued them with the Bouterse-led armed forces, but the negotiations have yet to yield a definitive agreement.

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#90357d4600 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 24) - Space Communications Corp. (SCC), part of the Mitsubishi group, has cancelled all communications services via its Superbird A satellite because of technical problems, company officials said Monday.

The cancellation was announced by SCC President Hiromune Minagawa at a hastily-arranged press conference late Sunday, they said.

The announcement followed the malfunction since December 20 of the satellite's position control thruster system.

They said SCC would not resume services until it launches a Superbird B

satellite in November.

The company's rival, Japan Communications Satellite, is expected to provide an alternative for SCC customers, including cable television, and satellite news gathering for major Japanese commercial and broadcasting companies.

The U.S.-made Superbird A satellite was launched on June 6, 1989, by a European Ariane-4 rocket from French Guiana to beam television programs, telephone signals and business data across Japan.

Company sources said SCC had invested about 90 billion yen (692 million U.S. dollars) to launch the satellite and build ground stations.

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#90357d4610 12/23/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 24) - Japan is expected to conclude an agreement next year with the Soviet Union to promote bilateral cooperation in securing the safe operation of nuclear power plants, government sources said Monday.

The agreement is expected to be signed in April when Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev visits Japan, they said.

The Soviet Union has asked Japan to provide safety technology to help it prevent the recurrence of accidents at nuclear plants like the one at Chernobyl in 1986 that caused worldwide concern, they said.

The official Soviet news agency Tass last month said bilateral agreements in four fields, including the safety of nuclear power plants and the peaceful use of space, are expected to be signed during Mr. Gorbachev's visit here.

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#90357e0002 12/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (DEC. 23) EFE - The leader of Colombia's notorious Medellin cocaine cartel has accused the chief of a rival gang of drug traffickers of hypocrisy for pinning the blame for kidnapping and murders on his gang.

Medellin-based kingpin Pablo Escobar Gaviria, Colombia's most wanted man, sent an open letter Saturday to Gilberto Rodriguez Orejuela, leader of the rival Cali cartel, charging him with attacks on the town of Medellin.

"Innocent people, including old people and children, have died or lost their homes in attacks on Medellin ordered by you," Escobar said.

The message was a response to a letter sent by the Cali cartel to Colombia's prosecutor-general denying involvement in "terrorist actions" and the recent wave of kidnappings of prominent journalists, which has included the daughter

of a former president and the son of the owner of the Bogota daily El Tiempo.

In the last eighteen months, the Medellin cartel has used bomb attacks and hired gunmen to kill more than 300 people, mostly Medellin-based police officers, the police have estimated.

Despite repeated government crackdowns on the cartels and a dlrs 600,000 reward posted by former president Virgilio Barco for information leading to his arrest, Escobar has always narrowly managed to escape capture.

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#90357e0009 12/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

Bilbao, SPAIN (DEC. 23) EFE - The armed Basque separatist group ETA has claimed responsibility for a series of recent attacks in Spain which killed eight people, including six policemen in a car-bomb explosion.

In a statement published by the Basque newspaper Egin on Sunday, ETA said it had planted the December 8 bomb that blasted a police van carrying the police to patrol a football match in the northeastern town of Sabadell.

Six policemen died and two were injured in the explosion.

ETA also said it had set off two car-bombs in Spain's troubled Basque region nine days ago, killing a policeman and seriously injuring another.

The group also said it killed a news vendor, accused of being a police informer,in the Basque town of San Sebastian on December 14.

ETA, which is fighting for the right to independence of the Spanish Basque region, has killed 94 people and wounded almost 400 more in car-bomb attacks in the last eight years.

The statement said ETA had recently sent several letter bombs, including one to a company which is building a motorway in northern Spain which the group opposes on environmental grounds.

It also criticized the French and Spanish governments for crackdowns on ETA.

Authorities in both France and Spain have recently arrested dozens of suspected ETA members, and a Spanish high court Wednesday imposed an 86-year jail sentence on Frenchman Henri Parot who allegedly headed ETA's +roving unit+.

The unit has been blamed for some of the group's bloodiest attacks in recent years, including the 1987 bombing of a Civil Guard barracks in the northeastern city of Zaragoza in which 11 people, including nine children, died.

ETA has killed more than 630 people since it took up arms in 1968.

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#90357e0010 12/23/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC. 23) EFE - An Israeli, accused of killing seven Arab workers in May, pleaded guilty to the charges Sunday but his lawyer said the murders were not premeditated as his client was mentally ill at the time of the attack.

The trial of Ami Popper, 21, continued in a Tel Aviv court on other charges connected with the killings.

He used a machine-gun to shoot dead seven Palestinian farm laborers waiting for work in the so-called "garden of the roses" in the Israeli city of Rishon LeZion.

Ten more Arabs were wounded in the attack.

The prosecutor said Popper, who was examined by psychiatrists after the attack had committed the murders +in cold blood+.

The crime triggered increased clashes between Arabs and the Israeli army in the Occupied Territories.

Palestinians two weeks ago commemorated the third anniversary of the start of the intifada, or uprising, against Israeli rule in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

More than 1,000 Palestinians and some 50 Jews have been killed in the intifada.

Nearly 300 of the dead Palestinians were killed by fellow Arabs for allegedly collaborating with Israeli security forces.

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#90357h0068 12/23/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 23) XINHUA - AT LEAST SEVEN PEOPLE WERE KILLED AND 48 OTHERS INJURED IN A COLLISION OF TWO PASSENGER EXPRESS TRAINS AT A SMALL RAILWAY STATION IN CENTRAL RUSSIA, THE TASS NEWS AGENCY REPORTED TODAY.

THE CRASH, TAKING PLACE LATE ON SATURDAY NIGHT AT YELNIKOVO NEAR BELGOROD, 500 KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF MOSCOW, WAS CAUSED BY A GAS TANKER EXPLOSION.

TASS SAID 16 CARRIAGES IN THE TWO TRAINS BURNED OUT AFTER THE ACCIDENT. THE LOCOMOTIVE OF THE FIRST EXPRESS TRAVELLING FROM CAUCASIAN KISLOVODSK TO LENINGRAD WAS BLOWN ON ANOTHER TRACK WHEN THE TANKER FULL OF LIQUEFIED GAS IN A GOODS TRAIN BLEW UP IN THE SIDINGS.

THE SECOND EXPRESS, ON ITS WAY FROM MOSCOW TO KHARKOV IN EASTERN UKRAINE, RAN INTO THE LOCOMOTIVE AT FULL SPEED, TASS REPORTED.

IVAN SILAYEV, PRIME MINISTER OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, AND OTHER OFFICIALS RUSHED TO THE SCENE, MOSCOW RADIO REPORTED.

CAUSE OF THE EXPLOSION WAS NOT AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY.

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#90357h0073 12/23/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

ISTANBUL (DEC. 23) XINHUA - TURKISH ARMED FORCES HAVE BEEN ALL READY FOR A POSSIBLE WAR IN THE GULF AND ITS AIR FORCE WILL BE PLACED ON HIGH ALERT AS OF JANUARY 2, A LOCAL NEWSPAPER REPORTED TODAY.

THE DAILY "HURRIYET" QUOTED TURKISH MILITARY SOURCES AS SAYING THAT THE LEAVE OF ALL MILITARY MEN IS TO BE CANCELLED IN THE AIR FORCE AND ALL THE PERSONNEL MUST BE ON THEIR POSTS STARTING FROM THAT DATE.

THE REPORT ALSO SAID THAT THE REDEPLOYMENT OF THE AIR FORCE, INCLUDING THE MOVEMENT OF FIGHTER JETS AND BOMBERS FROM ANKARA, ESKISEHIR AND OTHER AIR BASES TO ERZURUM, BATMAN, DIYARBAKIR AND MALATYA PROVINCES IN THE SOUTHEASTERN REGION OF TURKEY NEAR THE BORDER WITH IRAQ, HAVE BEEN COMPLETED.

OVER 100,000 TURKISH TROOPS HAVE BEEN POSITIONED ALONG THE BORDER WITH IRAQ TO CONFRONT EIGHT IRAQI DIVISIONS AND TURKEY HAS REPORTEDLY SENT IN RECENT DAYS AN ADDITIONAL 8,000 PARATROOPERS TO THE AREA BORDERING IRAQ.

THE UNITED STATES HAS 24 F-16 FIGHTERS, 14 F-111 TACTICAL STRIKE AIRCRAFT AND AN UNDISCLOSED NUMBER OF F-15 FIGHTERS CURRENTLY STATIONED IN THE LARGE INCIRLIK AIR BASE IN SOUTHERN TURKEY, ACCORDING TO LOCAL NEWSPAPERS.

TURKISH FOREIGN MINISTER AHMED KURTCEBE ALPTEMOCIN SAID FRIDAY NEARLY 1,000 MILITARY PERSONNEL WITH 42 FIGHTER JETS WHICH BELONG TO THE NATO ALLIED MOBILE FORCE, WILL BE DEPLOYED IN MALATYA SOON.

-30- 1498

#90357p5958 12/23/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Harris Teeter announced today that it is recalling all fresh Butterball turkeys bearing the date Dec. 26, 1990, that were sold through its stores.

These turkeys emit an unusual odor when opened, resulting from mishandling before they reached Harris Teeter.

Customers who bought these fresh Butterball turkeys from Harris Teeter should

return them for an exchange or refund.

Swift Echrich, the processor of Butterball turkeys, has stated that these turkeys do not constitute a health hazard.

CONTACT: E.S. Dunn Jr. of Harris Teeter, 704-845-3104, or Dennis Gott of Swift Echrich, 708-448-9216

-30- 794
#90357t0269 12/23/1990 ~ts
MOSCOW (DEC. 23) TASS - A LIQUID GAS TANK EXPLODED IN BELGOROD REGION ON SATURDAY NIGHT, KILLING SEVEN AND INJURING 48 PEOPLE, SAID A STATEMENT RELEASED TODAY BY THE SOVIET STATE COMMISSION FOR EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.

THE TANK EXPLODED AT 21:20 NEAR THE YELNIKOVO RAILWAY STATION, THE MOMENT WHEN KISLOVODSK-LENINGRAD PASSENGER TRAIN NO.22 WAS ROLLING BY. THE EXPLOSION DERAILED THE PASSING TRAIN'S LOCOMOTIVE WHICH WAS THEN HIT BY MOSCOW-KHARKOV PASSENGER TRAIN NO. 237. SEVERAL CARRIAGES CAUGHT FIRE, WHICH WAS SOON EXTINGUISHED. ACCORDING TO PRELIMINARY DATA, SEVEN PEOPLE WERE KILLED AND 48 INJURED.

SOVIET DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER V. DOGUZHIEV AND RUSSIAN DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER I. GAVRILOV HAVE ARRIVED AT THE SITE, LEADING THEIR GOVERNMENTS' COMMISSIONS FOR EMERGENCY SITUATIONS TO INVESTIGATE THE CAUSES OF THE ACCIDENT AND SPECIFY ITS EFFECTS.

HELP IS BEING PROVIDED TO PEOPLE WHO SUFFERED IN THE CLASH. MOST PASSENGERS ARE ALREADY ON THE WAY TO THEIR DESTINATIONS.

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#90357t0275 12/23/1990 ~ts
BELGRADE (DEC. 3) TASS - ALBANIA HAS CARRIED OUT A GOVERNMENT RESHUFFLE. ACCORDING TO THE ATA NEWS AGENCY, THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY PRESIDIUM RELIEVED THE CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE CONTROL COMMISSION, THE GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND THE FINANCE AND TRANSPORT MINISTERS OF THEIR DUTIES.

THE UPI NEWS AGENCY CITED SOURCES CLOSE TO THE ALBANIAN LEADERSHIP AS SAYING THAT PRIME MINISTER ADIL CARCANI TENDED HIS RESIGNATION TO ALBANIAN LEADER RAMIZ ALIA AND WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE POST OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE ALBANIAN DEMOCRATIC FRONT, THE MOST NUMEROUS SOCIO-POLITICAL ORGANISATION IN THE COUNTRY, TO REPLACE THE WIDOW OF FORMER ALBANIAN LEADER ENVER HOXHA.

NEWS AGENCIES REPORT THAT THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF ALBANIAN TRADE UNIONS HAS PROCLAIMED ITS INDEPENDENCE FROM THE ALBANIA'S RULING LABOUR PARTY AND SAID IT WAS DETERMINED TO STRUGGLE FOR BETTER WORK CONDITIONS, INCLUDING WITH THE HELP

OF STRIKES.

THE HEAD OF THE TRADE UNION INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT DESCRIBED THE DECISIONS AS OF KEY IMPORTANCE FOR THE RESTORATION OF DEMOCRACY IN THE COUNTRY.

THE ALBANIAN GOVERNMENT, AGENCIES REPORT, HAS APPROVED THE PUBLICATION OF THE COUNTRY'S FIRST OPPOSITION NEWSPAPER "DEMOCRATIC REVIVAL". ITS EDITOR LAZAR STANI STRESSED THAT THE NEW PERIODICAL'S CHIEF TASK WAS TO RESTORE THE TRUTH AS TRUTH IS THE FIRST VICTIM OF ANY DICTATORSHIP.

-30- 1540

#90357u0003 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 23) UPI - The arctic freeze chilling much of the nation brought record cold to 47 cities today. It was the coldest day ever in four- 30 BELOW below in Delta, Utah... 18 BELOW in Wendover, Utah... 16 BELOW in Tooele, Utah... and 13 degrees in Red Bluff, California. The National Weather Service says Meadow Lake, Idaho, was the nation's cold spot at 55 degrees BELOW zero.

A University of Illinois economist says an all-out world trade war is UNlikely despite the recent failure of talks to reach a General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade to govern international business dealings. Instead, Robert Spitze sees a resumption of talks leading to a ''very modest'' agreement.

Police in Canton Township, Michigan, figure a light bulb set a family's Christmas tree on fire last night... sending flames spreading rapidly through the house. The blaze killed six children and their father.

Authorities in Hong Kong are investigating the cause of a pre-dawn fire that killed at least six people and injured 62 others in a nine- story residential building. Firefighters needed three hours to bring the flames under control.

The Soviet news agency Tass says at least seven people were killed and 48 injured last night when a passenger train slammed into a locomotive that was hurled into its path by the explosion of a gasoline- filled tanker. The accident occurred near the city of Belgorod, 375 miles south of Moscow.

Salvadoran rebel leaders announced a countrywide temporary holiday cease-fire today. They're promising to refrain from attacks on Christmas and New Year's Days. The army has refused to declare a cease-fire for the holidays.

The New Covenant Tabernacle in National City, California, is hoping to rebuild the orphanage it sponsored in Tijuana, Mexico. The Lily of the Valley orphanage was destroyed by fire last week but all 41 children and six employees escaped unhurt. One minister calls that ''a Christmas miracle.''

-30- 2115

#90357u0050 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

INDIANAPOLIS (DEC. 22) UPI - Alan Grant returned an interception 25 yards for a touchdown with 50 seconds left Saturday night, giving Indianapolis a 35-28 comeback victory over the Washington Redskins.

The Colts, 7-8, kept their slim playoff hopes alive with two touchdowns within 31 seconds in the final two minutes.

After Indianapolis tied the score 28-28 on a 12-yard pass from Jeff George to Bill Brooks, Washington's Mark Rypien threw a hurried pass that wobbled straight to Grant. The rookie cornerback rushed into the end zone untouched to conclude a 21-point Colts' fourth quarter.

George, a rookie, completed 18 of 33 passes for 252 yards and three touchdowns. The TD to Brooks came with 1:21 left. George previously found Stanley Morgan on scoring passes of 42 and 8 yards.

The Colts can earn the final AFC wild-card berth only by beating Miami next week if Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and Seattle each lose their final two games. The Redskins, 9-6, lost ground in their race to stay ahead of Philadelphia for home-field advantage in the NFC playoffs. Washington has already clinched a wild-card spot.

Washington's Ernest Byner rushed for 154 yards on 31 carries for his fourth straight 100-yard rushing game. Rypien completed 18 of 36 passes for 249 yards including scoring passes of 53 yards to Gary Clark and 13 to Art Monk. Chip Lohmiller kicked field goals of 56, 53, 29 and 27 yards, his shortest giving Washington a 28-21 lead with 4:15 remaining.

Eugene Daniel missed a tackle and Clark turned a short catch into a 53-yard touchdown two plays into the fourth quarter for a 25-14 lead. The Colts answered quickly, moving 65 yards in four plays to pull within 25-21 on Morgan's 8-yard TD catch with 11:47 remaining.

Washington took a 15-14 lead on a safety 44 seconds into the third quarter when George was called for intentional grounding on a pass from the Colts' end zone. He was sacked for an 11-yard loss the play before. The Redskins moved 54 yards after the Colts' free kick, setting up a 29- yard Lohmiller field goal.

Lohmiller's 56-yard field goal kick on the last play of the first half bounced straight up after hitting the crossbar and fell through the far side, giving him the longest field goal of his career and pulling the Redskins within 14-13.

The kick came after referee Jerry Markbreit ordered one second returned to the clock. Ricky Sanders struggled for yardage after a 22- yard catch and the half appeared to end before he was tackled. But Markbreit ruled the play ended and the Redskins called a timeout before the half was over.

Lohmiller tied an NFL record with two field goals of more than 50 yards in the same quarte, having kicked a 53-yard field goal with 37 seconds remaining in the period.

Morgan beat the Redskin defense deep down the left sideline and caught a 42-yard touchdown pass from George, falling backwards into the end zone with 9:37 remaining in the first half to give the Colts a 14-7 lead. A roughing the passer penalty on linebacker Wilbur Marhsall on a second-down-and-20 situation from the Colts 15-yard line sustained the drive.

Keith Taylor intercepted a Rypien pass that deflected off linebacker Duane Bickett's helmet late in the first quarter. Penalties on four of the next six plays cost the Redskins 32 yards and set up Eric Dickerson' 4-yard touchdown run, tying the game at 7-7 just 11 seconds into the second quarter.

Washington's Art Monk extended his reception streak to 115 straight games by leaping over Grant and catching a 12-yard touchdown pass in the left rear corner of the end zone 12:25 into the game. The drive began after Indianapolis lost the ball on downs at its 43. Linebacker Ravin Caldwell stopped an Eric Dickerson dive for no gain on a fourth-and-one situation to give Washington the ball.

Washington's Sidney Johnson suffered a concussion on kickoff coverage, but awakened later in a hospital where he stayed overnight for further examination.

Jim Irsay, the Colts general manager, said Ron Meyer will coach the team next season, ending months of speculation he would be fired. Irsay termed rumors of major changes among Meyer's assistants ''premature.''

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#90357u0054 12/23/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 23) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

(All Times EST)

(Listing won, lost, tied, percent, points for, points against, records within division, winning or losing streaks)

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

y-Buffalo	12	2	0	.857	390	220	6-1	W-3
y-Miami	11	3	0	.786	299	201	6-0	W-2
Indianapolis	7	8	0	.467	264	330	3-4	W-2
New York Jets	4	10	0	.286	237	324	1-6	L-5
New England	1	13	0	.071	164	391	1-6	L-12

Central								
Pittsburgh	8	6	0	.571	243	206	1-3	W-2
Houston	8	6	0	.571	351	253	3-1	W-2
Cincinnati	7	7	0	.500	299	318	3-1	L-2
Cleveland	3	11	0	.214	214	406	1-3	W-1
West								
y-LA Raiders	11	4	0	.732	320	256	5-2	W-4
Kansas City	9	5	0	.643	324	226	4-3	L-1
Seattle	7	7	0	.500	259	264	3-4	L-1
San Diego	6	8	0	.429	282	240	2-4	L-1
Denver	4	10	0	.286	297	344	3-4	W-1

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
x-New York Giants	11	3	0	.786	298	180	6-1	L-1
y-Washington	9	6	0	.600	352	287	4-4	L-1
y-Philadelphia	8	6	0	.571	356	275	3-3	W-1
Dallas	7	7	0	.500	234	265	2-5	W-4
Phoenix	5	9	0	.357	216	344	2-4	L-1
Central								
x-Chicago	10	4	0	.714	311	245	5-2	L-2
Tampa Bay	6	8	0	.429	236	324	5-2	W-2
Minnesota	6	9	0	.400	334	306	3-5	L-3
Green Bay	6	9	0	.400	258	325	3-5	L-3
Detroit	6	9	0	.300	363	383	3-5	W-2
West								
x-San Francisco	13	1	0	.929	323	209	4-1	W-3
New Orleans	6	8	0	.429	241	248	2-2	L-1
Los Angeles Rams	5	9	0	.357	315	372	2-2	L-2
Atlanta	3	11	0	.214	302	345	1-4	L-7

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff berth

-30- 2297
#90357u0059 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 21) UPI - The Green Bay Packers and Minnesota Vikings were left out in the cold from the NFL postseason picture Saturday when they suffered home losses on the second-to-last weekend of the season.

The Detroit Lions cashed in on three fourth-quarter turnovers to dump the Packers 24-17, and the Los Angeles Raiders received four touchdown passes by

Jay Schroeder to dump the Vikings 28-24.

The Packers and Vikings fell to 6-9, leaving Dallas, Tampa Bay and New Orleans in the running for the final NFC wild-card playoff berth. The Cowboys, 7-7, can clinch that spot with a victory Sunday in Philadelphia.

The Indianapolis Colts kept their slim playoff hopes alive Saturday night with a 25-28 comeback victory over the Washington Redskins.

The Packers and Lions played in the coldest game at Green Bay, Wisc., since the ''Ice Bowl'' for the 1967 NFL title. The temperature was two degrees with a wind-chill factor of minus 28 at the opening kickoff, and the wind chill was minus 36 by the fourth quarter.

The Packers took a 17-10 lead into the fourth quarter but Ray Cockroft recovered a fumble by tight end Ed West and raced 22 yards for the tying TD. Green Bay's Michael Haddix lost a fumble at the Lions 26 on the next possession and linebacker Chris Spielman recovered. Detroit drove to Barry Sanders' 6-yard TD to make it 24-17 and Cockroft intercepted his second pass from Blair Kiel near the Lions goal-line in the final two minutes.

Sanders gained 133 yards on 19 carries, taking over the NFL rushing lead with 1,281 yards for the season. There were seven turnovers in the frigid weather.

''The cold weather and wind chill did not really affect our performance today '' Packers Coach Lindy Infante said.

Weather conditions were as bad in Minneapolis, but the Vikings play indoors in 72 degrees at the Metrodome. Still, Schroeder froze Minnesota's playoff chances with scoring strikes to Mervyn Fernandez, Sam Graddy, Marcus Allen and Ethan Horton.

''In some ways it feels even colder (inside),'' Vikings Coach Jerry Burns added. ''I said it wasn't over until it was over, and now it is over.''

The Raiders knocked Vikings starting quarterback Wade Wilson from the game with a separated shoulder in the third quarter. Rich Gannon threw short TD strikes to Hassan Jones and Steve Jordan, the second one with 15 seconds remaining.

The Raiders, 11-4, won their fourth straight and moved within one victory or one Kansas City loss from clinching the AFC West title. The Raiders have already sealed a playoff spot.

-30- 2754

#90357u0122 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

BRISBANE, Australia (DEC. 23) UPI - Cyclone Joy, whipping up wind gusts of up

to 143 mph, was slowly bearing down on the North Coast of Queensland State Sunday and expected to strike land sometime Monday, meteorologists said.

The cyclone was expected to hit the coast in the vicinity of Cairns, with a population 150,000, and the city was battened down Sunday, with all State Emergency Services on full alert, police said.

''The very destructive core of Cyclone Joy is posing a major threat to communities between Cooktown and Lucinda,'' the Brisbane Weather Bureau said in a special cyclone warning issued at 5 p.m. Sunday.

''Residents are advised to shelter in a safe place for the duration of the dangerous conditions,'' the warning said.

The Bureau rated Joy a ''category 4'' cyclone, the second-highest rating, and said its position at 5 p.m. (1 a.m. EST) was 77.6 miles northeast of Cairns. This was almost 7 miles closer than its position at noon local time and confirmed Bureau predictions that it was continuing its collision course with the Queensland coast, officials said.

''Destructive winds are being experienced along exposed coast between Cooktown and Innisfail and could extend south,'' the warning said. These destructive winds were being felt 87 miles out from the cyclone's center.

Police constable Kim Hill, of Cairns Police, said wind gusts over 62 mph were being experienced in the city Sunday night.

''There is a lot of debris on the roads and we are warning people to stay indoors,'' she said.

Hill said the local airport was closed and all emergency services on standby.

''Its very windy and rainy, but apart from that all is steady at this stage,'' she said.

The Weather Bureau also warned that tides along the coast could rise up to 6 feet above normal levels later Sunday.

''Sea levels may exceed high water mark with very rough seas and flooding over the foreshore,'' the warning said.

Resort islands off the coast also were preparing for the cyclone, which officials said was approximately the same intensity as Cyclone Tracey, which devastated Darwin on Christmas Day 1974, killing 184 people.

The Bureau said the central pressure of Cyclone Joy was 940 hectopascals compared with Tracey's 935 hectopascals.

-30- 2473
#90357u0139 12/23/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 23) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

WASHINGTON (109)

Grant 12-24 0-0 24, King 20-30 6-6 46, Jones 0-0 0-0 0, Workman 2-4 0-0 4, Walker 4-8 0-0 8, English 2-5 1-2 5, Ellison 1-5 0-0 2, Eackles 5-7 4-4 14, Hammonds 0-1 0-0 0, Alarie 0-1 0-0 0, Foster 0-1 0-0 0, Irvin 2-3 0-0 4.

Totals 49-89 11- 12 109.

CLEVELAND (89)

Nance 7-14 2-2 16, Brown 4-11 0-0 8, Daugherty 9-16 2-4 20, Ehlo 2-8 2-2 6, Kerr 6-11 0-0 13, Valentine 1-8 1-2 3, Paddio 3-9 1-2 7, Ferry 5-10 2-2 12, Babic 0-0 2-2 2, Chievous 0-1 0-2 0, Morton 0-1 2-2 2.

Totals 37-89 14-20 89.

Washington	29	30	24	26-109
Cleveland	25	22	25	17- 89

Three-point goals-Kerr. Fouled out- Ferry. Total fouls-Washington 21, Cleveland 16. Rebounds-Washington 50 (Ellison 11), Cleveland 49 (Daugherty 13). Assists-Wahsington 35 (Workman 9), Cleveland 27 (Nance, Valentine 6). Technicals-None. A-12,543.

DETROIT (99)

Rodman 4-7 0-0 8, Edwards 5-13 2-3 12, Laimbeer 2-5 1-2 5, Dumars 7-14 5-5 19, Thomas 12-26 6-6 30, Johnson 2-7 3-4 7, Salley 0-3 2-2 2, Aguirre 6-13 3-4 16, Blanks 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 38-88 22-26 99.

PHILADELPHIA (106)

Barkley 8-14 5-10 22, Mahorn 5-8 2-2 12, Gminski 2-5 0-0 4, Green 8-14 9-9 25, Hawkins 6-16 8-11 21, Anderson 5-9 1-2 11, Bol 0-0 0-0 0, Turner 1-4 0-0 2, Williams 3-4 1-1 7, Oliver 0-1 2-2 2.

Totals 38-75 28-37 106.

Detroit	27	19	21	32-- 99
Philadelphia	23	20	25	38--106

Three-point goals-Aguirre, Barkley, Hawkins. Fouled out-none. Total fouls-Detroit 27, Philadelphia, 22. Rebounds-Detroit 48 (Rodman 11), Philadelphia 52 (Barkley 12). Assists-Detroit 19 (Thomas 7), Philadelphia 17 (Green 3). Technicals-Laimbeer, Detroit illegal defense, Philadelphia Coach Lynam, Philadelphia illegal defense. A-18,168.

UTAH (104)

Edwards 2-4 0-2 4, K.Malone 13-22 8-10 34, Eaton 2-6 1-2 5, Stockton 3-8 5-6 11, J.Malone 9-17 3-4 21, Rudd 1-3 0-0 2, Bailey 5-10 4-6 14, Brown 1-1 0-0 2, Griffith 3-5 0-0 9, Cummings 1-1 0-0 2.

Totals 40-77 21-30 104.

ORLANDO (96)

Scott 3-13 3-4 9, Catledge 9-23 11-14 29, Kite 1-1 0-0 2, Skiles 13-25 5-5 34, Anderson 4-11 2-2 10, Reynolds 0-3 0-0 0, Acres 1-2 1-3 3, Smith 2-5 5-5 9, Ansley 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 33-83 27-33 96.

Utah	26	23	23	32-104
Orlando	22	22	23	29-96

Three-point goals-Griffith 3, Skiles 3. Total fouls-Utah 29, Orlando 25. Rebounds-Utah 37 (K.Malone 14), Orlando 40 (Catledge 7). Assists-Utah 33 (Stockton 15), Orlando 21 (Skiles 6). Technicals-Edwards, Kite, Magic (illegal defense). A-15,077.

PHOENIX (102)

Chambers 6-15 6-7 18, McDaniel 7-14 1-1 15, West 2-3 2-2 6, Hornacek 1-8 1-1 3 Johnson 2-11 0-0 4, Majerle 2-4 2-4 6, Rambis 4-5 2-2 10, Knight 3-10 2-2 9, Perry 1-2 0-0 2, Ceballos 12-20 3-4 27, Nealy 0-0 2-2 2, Battle 0-3 0-0 0.

Totals 40-95 21-25 102.

HOUSTON (122)

Johnson 3-6 0-0 6, Thorpe 7-15 1-7 15, Olajuwon 11-20 2-2 24, Maxwell 4-10 1-1 11, K. Smith 4-10 2-2 10, Floyd 10-16 3-4 24, Wood 6-7 0-0 14, L. Smith 3-6 0-0 6, Winchester 3-4 0-0 6, Feitl 0-2 0-0 0, Jamerson 1-2 0-0 2, Caldwell 2-4 0-0 4.

Totals 54-102 9-16 122.

Phoenix	23	26	19	34--102

Houston 23 31 33 35--122

Three-point goals-Maxwell 2, Wood 2, Floyd, Knight. Fouled out-none. Total fouls- Phoenix 18, Houston 24. Rebounds-Phoenix 39 (McDaniel 8), Houston 60 (Olajuwon 19). Assists-Phoenix 25 (Hornacek 6), Houston 34 (Floyd 9). Technical foul-Wood. A-14,996.

NEW JERSEY (93)

Coleman 11-21 8-9 30, Morris 1-3 0-0 2, Bowie 1-10 2-2 4, Blaylock 8-15 3-6 20 Theus 3-10 1-1 7, Gervin 9-15 1-2 20, Dudley 1-3 2-2 4, Conner 0-0 0-0 0, Haley 1-4 0-0 2, Buechler 0-2 0-0 0, George 0-0 0-0 0, Lee 0-1 4-4 4.

Totals 35-84 21- 26 93.

NEW YORK (106)

Oakley 7-10 9-10 23, Vandeweghe 8-16 3-3 19, Ewing 11-21 3-5 25, Jackson 2-4 1-2 5, Wilkins 4-11 0-0 8, Mustaf 1-1 0-0 2, E.Wilkins 2-5 0-0 4, Walker 2-5 0-0, Starks 4-7 2-2 10, Tucker 2-2 0-0 4, Quinnett 0-0 0-0 0, Grant 1-1 0-0 2.

Totals 44-83 18-22 106.

Three-point goals-Blaylock, Gervin. Fouled out-Ewing. Total fouls-New Jersey 20, New York 19. Rebounds-New Jersey 43 (Coleman 16), New York 47 (Oakley 15). Assists-New Jersey 14 (Theus 4), New York 28 (Jackson 12). Technicals-New York 2, (illegal defense). A-15,237.

INDIANA (118)

Person 12-20 0-2 25, Thompson 5-8 1-3 11, Smits 3-10 2-2 8, Fleming 10-19 5-5 25, Miller 3-10 9-9 17, Schrempf 6-10 8-10 20, McCloud 1-3 0-0 2, K.Williams 1-1 0-0 2, M.Williams 1-2 2-2 4, Wittman 0-1 0-0 0, Sanders 2-6 0-0 4, Dreiling 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 44-90 27-33 118.

CHICAGO (128)

Pippen 6-11 5-9 18, Grant 4-11 2-3 10, Cartwright 4-9 5-6 13, Paxson 10-13 0-0 23, Jordan 10-20 9-12 29, King 1-3 6-6 8, Levingston 6-7 1-4 13, Hopson 2-6 2-2 6, Armstrong 3-5 0-0 6, Perdue 1-3 0-2 2.

Totals 47-88 30-44 128.

Indiana 30 31 31 26--118
Chicago 44 25 31 28--128

Three-point goals-Paxson 3, Miller 2, Person, Pippen. Fouled out-Person, Schrempf. Total fouls-Indiana 33, Chicago 26. Rebounds-Indiana 35 (Person 10), Chicago 53 (Pippen, Cartwright 10). Assists-Indiana 29 (Fleming 7), Chicago 34 (Pippen 11). Technicals-King, Chicago Coach Jackson, Indiana illegal defense. A-18,261.

MILWAUKEE (114)

Roberts 3-4 0-0 6, Brickowski 5-7 5-6 15, Sikma 9-17 5-5 29, Robertson 2-6 2-2 6, Humphries 6-10 2-3 16, Anderson 0-1 0-0 0, Pierce 8-12 3-4 0, Schayes 4-8 2-2 10, Lohaus 0-2 2-2 2, Grayer 4-6 0-0 8, Henson 1-2 0-0 2.

Totals 42-75 21-24 114.

SAN ANTONIO (98)

Elliott 2-8 4-6 8, Cummings 6-10 1-2 14, Robinson 10-16 5-7 25, Myers 3-3 2-2 8, Anderson 9-16 2-2 21, Higgins 2-6 0-0 5, Pressey 0-1 0-0 0, Greenwood 0-0 0-0 0, Williams 3-5 0-0 9, Strickland 2-8 0-0 4, Schintzius 2-3 0-0 4, Massenburg 0-0 0-2 0.

Totals 39-76 14-21 98.

Milwaukee	25	32	34	23-114
San Antonio	33	24	26	15- 98

Three-point goal(s)-Sikma 6, Humphries 2, Pierce, Cummings, Anderson, Higgins, Williams. Fouled out-Cummings. Total fouls-Milwaukee 22, San Antonio 24. Rebounds-Milwaukee 38 (Schayes 9, San Antonio 32 (Robinson 8). Assists-Milwaukee 27 (Humphries 9, San Antonio 22 (Strickland 6). Technical(s)-Cummings, Milwaukee (illegal defense). A-15,908.

DALLAS (119)

McCray 3-7 8-10 14, English 9-17 2-2 20, Donaldson 3-9 2-6 8, Harper 9-15 8-11 27, Blackman 11-17 6-7 31, White 7-12 0-0 14, Davis 1-5 2-2 4, Shasky 0-0 1-2 1, Alford 0-1 0-0 0.

Totals 43-83 29-40 119.

DENVER (110)

Liberty 9-14 1-2 19, Cook 2-3 1-2 5, Rasmussen 6-14 0-0 12, Adams 9-22 7-8 27, Lichti 4-11 0-0 9, Wolf 1-3 0-0 2, Davis 4-12 0-0 8, Jackson 8-15 0-0 17, Mills 4-8 1-1 9, Johnson 0-0 2-2 2, Dunn 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 47-102 12-15 110.

Dallas	33	25	18	43-119
Denver	25	25	33	27-110

Three-point goals-Harper, Blackman 3; Adams 2, Lichti, Jackson. Fouled out-Liberty. Total fouls-Dallas 19, Denver 26. Rebounds-Dallas 44 (McCray 13), Denver 48 (Rasmussen 13). Assists-Dallas 22 (McCray 7), Denver 20 (Adams 13). Technicals-Harper. A-8,595.

SACRAMENTO (93)

Bonner 1-1 2-4 4, Tisdale 6-15 3-3 15, Causwell 0-0 0-0 0, Simmons 9-16 0-0 18 Sparrow 2-5 0-0 4, Wennington 1-1 0-0 2, Carr 4-10 5-8 13, Wood 3-6 0-0 8, Sampson 4-9 0-0 8, Mays 6-15 2-4 14, Leckner 2-4 0-0 4, Calloway 2-2 0-0 4.

Totals 40-84 12-19 93.

SEATTLE (121)

Kemp 4-11 7-11 15, McKey 5-9 2-2 12, Cage 5-6 2-3 12, Payton 2-6 0-0 4, Threatt 4-8 4-5 12, Ellis 8-14 0-1 16, Polynice 6-9 2-5 14, McMillan 0-5 0-0 0 E. Johnson 10-17 5-5 25, Barros 4-5 3-3 11.

Totals 48-90 25-35 121.

Sacramento	19	14	27	33-- 93
Seattle	32	27	33	29--121

Three-point goals-Wood. Fouled out-None. Team fouls-Sacramento 28, Seattle 20. Rebounds-Sacramento 40 (Sampson 11), Seattle 42 (Polynice 11). Assists-Sacramento 21 (Mays 4), Seattle 26 (McMillan 9). Technical fouls-Sacramento Coach Motta 2.

MINNESOTA (102)

Corbin 4-11 7-8 15, Spencer 0-1 1-2 1, Breuer 8-12 2-5 18, Campbell 3-6 0-0 6, Richardson 9-21 1-4 19, Mitchell 4-9 3-4 11, Glass 10-17 4-4 24, West 2-3 0-0 4, Brooks 1-2 0-0 2, Coffey 1-1 0-0 2.

Totals 42-83 18-27 102.

GOLDEN STATE (115)

Hill 1-2 1-2 3, Mullin 15-20 8-9 39, Johnson 0-0 3-4 3, Hardaway 9-15 4-4 22, Richmond 13-25 6-6 32, Lister 0-3 3-8 3, Tolbert 0-4 1-2 1, Marciulionis 4-5 3-4 11, Higgins 0-3 1-2 1, Pritchard 0-2 0-0 0.

Totals 42-79 30-41 115.

Minnesota	30	20	27	25-102
Golden State	27	26	38	24-115

Three-point goals-Mullin. Fouled out-Spencer, Glass. Total fouls-Minnesota 29, Golden State 22. Rebounds-Minnesota 40 (Corbin 10), Golden State 30 (Hill 8). Assists-Minnesota 21 (Richardson 12), Golden State 26 (Hardaway 8). Technicals- Corbin, Minnesota (illegal defense); Golden State Coach Nelson, Golden State (illegal defense). A-15,025.

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(DEC. 23) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	21	4	.840	-
Philadelphia	18	8	.692	3 1/2
New York	12	13	.480	9
New Jersey	10	15	.400	11
Washington	10	15	.400	11
Miami	5	19	.208	15 1/2

Central Division

Milwaukee	18	8	.692	-
Chicago	17	9	.654	1
Detroit	16	10	.615	2
Atlanta	12	12	.500	5
Cleveland	11	16	.407	7 1/2
Indiana	10	17	.370	8 1/2
Charlotte	8	16	.333	9

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	17	6	.739	-
Utah	17	9	.654	1 1/2
Houston	15	11	.577	3 1/2
Dallas	9	14	.391	8
Minnesota	7	17	.292	10 1/2
Denver	5	19	.208	12 1/2
Orlando	5	22	.185	14

Pacific Division

Portland	23	3	.885	-

Phoenix	15	9	.625	7
LA Lakers	14	9	.609	7 1/2
Golden State	15	10	.600	7 1/2
Seattle	10	13	.435	11 1/2
LA Clippers	10	15	.400	12 1/2
Sacramento	6	17	.261	15 1/2

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(DEC. 23) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	20	13	5	45	142	116
Philadelphia	19	17	4	42	130	126
New Jersey	18	13	6	42	145	124
Pittsburgh	18	16	3	39	154	138
Washington	18	19	1	37	124	119
NY Islanders	12	17	4	28	96	120

Adams Division

Boston	20	11	5	45	124	112
Montreal	17	16	4	38	115	115
Hartford	15	17	4	34	100	117
Buffalo	11	16	7	29	103	115
Quebec	8	22	7	23	102	158

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	24	12	2	50	125	98
St. Louis	21	9	5	47	123	93
Detroit	19	14	4	42	136	127
Minnesota	10	21	6	26	106	126
Toronto	10	25	2	22	101	149

Smythe Division

Calgary	20	13	4	44	150	119
Los Angeles	18	11	5	41	140	113
Vancouver	17	17	3	37	118	127
Edmonton	14	17	2	30	108	108
Winnipeg	11	21	7	27	123	147

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(DEC. 23) UPI - President Bush says he'll meet Monday at Camp David, Maryland with Defense Secretary Cheney and General Colin Powell to discuss conflicting reports on U-S readiness to fight in the Persian Gulf. Bush Saturday declared American forces are ready to battle now if necessary. The deputy commander of those troops on Wednesday said the United States is NOT fully ready to fight Iraq. Pentagon officials said one day later that NOT all ground forces are in place, but air strikes against Iraq could begin by the middle of January.

The U-S-S Saratoga will continue its mission in the Persian Gulf after holding a memorial Sunday for 19 servicemen killed when a ferry capsized off Israel. The two-tiered ferry was bringing 102 servicemen back to their ship late Friday after a pre-Christmas shore leave when it capsized. Rescuers recovered the bodies of 19 servicemen and rescued more than 80 more from the choppy waters. U-S and Israeli officials are investigating the accident.

Soviet lawmakers heard dark warnings Saturday from K-G-B chief Vladimir Kryuchkov as the debate continues over whether to expand Mikhail Gorbachev's powers. The secret police chief warned the C-I-A and other foreign forces are trying to impose doubtful ideas and plans,'' heightening the crisis in the Soviet Union.

Americans may or may NOT have a White Christmas, but chances are it will be cold. A massive cold front in the western United States brought record low temperatures to Los Angeles and Denver Saturday... and snapped power lines in Texas. The cold air moving East dropped temperatures as much as 40 degrees in the Midwest, bringing snow flurries to Illinois and prompting one forecaster to comment- ''any snow will linger into Christmas.''

The American Civil Liberities Union says an anti-solicitation law is being used to target homosexuals in Roanoke, Virginia. The A-C-L-U says the new statute has been used 25 of 30 times to prosecute homosexuals who solicited undercover police officers for sex. The same law came under fire a couple of weeks ago when a Roanoke judge threw one case out of court, saying it appeared the statute was being used to unfairly target homosexuals.

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(DEC. 23) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Toronto	2	0	3	--5
Washington	1	1	0	--2

First period-1, Toronto, Shedden 5 (Krushelnyski, Sacco), pp, 9:04. 2,

Washington, Joyce 2 (Lalor, Pivonka), 10:30. 3, Toronto, Millar 1 (Fenton, Damphousse), 10:47.

Penalties-Iafrate, Tor, 6:36; Hatcher, Was, 7:27; Maguire, Tor, 9:53; Druce, Was, 9:53; Richardson, Tor, double minor, 14:22; Ridley, Was, 17:30.

Second period-4, Washington, Zezel 5 (Joyce), 15:22.

Penalties-Rouse, Was, 2:04; Iafrate, Tor, double minor, 5:59; Richardson, Tor, misconduct, 5:59; Ridley, Was, 5:59; Kypreos, Wash, misconduct,5:59; Ellett, Tor, 6:06; Hunter, Was, 6:06; Krushelnyski, Tor, minor-misconduct, 9:44; Gill, Tor, 11:27; Hunter, Was, 11:27; Zezel, Was, 15:43; Petit, Tor, 19:15.

Third period-5, Toronto, Ramage 7 (Shedden, Sacco), pp, 11:54. 6, Toronto, Ellett 7 (Ramage, Sacco), pp, 13:03. 7, Toronto, Reid 11 (Hannon), 17:52.

Penalties- Hunter, Was, 2:19; Ing (served by Maguire), Tor, 4:57; Hatcher, Was 5:09; Marois, Tor, 8:25; Broten, Tor, 9:37; Hatcher, Was, 9:37; Hunter, Was, 10:45; Hunter, Was, 12:49.

Shots on goal-Toronto 8-6-10-24. Washington 11-6-4-21.

Power-play conversions-Toronto 8-3. Washington 8-0.

Goaltenders-Toronto, Ing. Washington, Beaupre. Attendance-14,753.

Referee-Dan Marouelli.

Minnesota	0	0	2-2
Boston	1	4	1-6

First period-1, Boston, Lazaro 2 (B. Sweeney), 11:11.

Penalties-Wesley, Bos, 6:58; Smail, Min, 18:22; D.Sweeney, Bos, 18:22.

Second period-2, Boston, Christian 15 (unassisted), :29. 3, Boston, Neely 19 (Ruzicka, Janney), pp, 2:10. 4, Boston, Galley 5 (B.Sweeney, Hodge), 6:15. 5, Boston, Burridge 11 (Christian, D.Sweeney), 7:33.

Penalties-Propp, Min, 1:26; Smith, Min, 14:05; Christian, Bos, 18:55.

Third period-6, Boston, Ruzicka 4 (Christian, Wesley), pp, 14:12. 7, Minnesota Modano 10 (Sinisalo, Propp), 14:35. 8, Minnesota, Bellows 11 (Gagner, Propp), pp, 17:43.

Penalties-Nilan, Bos, minor-major (fighting), 2:53; Glynn, Min, major (fighting), 2:53; Smith, Min, 12:05; Zettler, Min, 13:24; Johnson, Min, 14:44; Lazaro, Bos, 14:44; Wesley, Bos, 16:12.

Shots on goal-Minnesota 12-11-10-33. Boston 6-15-14-35.

Power-play conversions-Minnesota 4-1. Boston 4-2.

Goaltenders-Minnesota, Hayward, Casey (6:15 2nd period). Boston, Moog. A-14,448.

Referee-Mark Faucette.

Pittsburgh	0	3	1	-4
NY Islanders	1	1	1	-3

First period-1, NY Islanders, Flatley 9 (LaFontaine, Wood), 19:58.

Penalties-NYI, bench minor (served by Fitzgerald), 3:30; Taglianetti, Pit, 12:51; Pilon, NYI, 17:36.

Second period-2, NY Islanders, Chynoweth 1 (unassisted), 2:27. 3, Pittsburgh, Stevens 21 (Cullen, Coffey), pp, 6:00. 4, Pittsburgh, Bourque 12 (Cullen, Recchi), 8:32. 5, Pittsburgh, Zalapski 8 (Trottier), 17:42.

Penalties-Flatley, NYI, 5:05; Chyzowski, NYI, 11:12.

Third period-6, NY Islanders, Wood 12 (Nylund, Norton), pp, 6:19. 7, Pittsburgh, Errey 9 (Zalapski, Jagr), 9:06.

Penalties- Roberts, Pit, 4:58.

Shots on goal-Pittsburgh 8-14-7-29. NY Islanders 17-9-10-36.

Power-play conversions-Pittsburgh 4-1. NY Islanders 2-1.

Goaltenders-Pittsburgh, Barrasso. NY Islanders, Healy. A-11,767.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Philadelphia	0	0	0	-0
Hartford	0	0	1	-1

First Period-No scoring.

Penalties-Burt, Har, 1:16; Lacombe, Phi, major (fighting), 11:59; Ladouceur, Har, major (fighting), 11:59; Craven, Phi, 14;16; Baron, Phi, 17:56.

Second Period-No scoring.

Penalties - Ladouceur, Har, :46; Carkner, Phi, 3:32; Verbeek, Har, 3:32;

Tomlak, Har, 10:39.

Third Period-1, Hartford, Brown 7 (Francis, Verbeek), pp, 5:26.

Penalties- Craven, Phi, major (fighting), 1:59; Burt, Har, major (fighting), 1:59; Latal, Phi, 3:27; Carkner, Phi, 7:49; Ladouceur, Har, 11:13; Carkner, Phi, minor (roughing), 10-minute misconduct, 20:00; Evason, Har, minor (roughing), 10-minute misconduct, 20:00.

Shots on goal-Philadelphia 4-14-8-26. Hartford 5-7-10-22.

Power-play conversions-Philadelphia 4-0. Hartford 4-1.

Goaltenders-Philadelphia, Wregget. Hartford, Reaugh. A-12,347.

Referee-Ron Hoggarth.

NY Rangers	0	0	1-1
Montreal	0	3	0-3

First period-No scoring.

Penalties- Leetch, NYR, 1:45.

Second period-1, Montreal, McPhee 4 (Schneider, Courtnall), 6:23. 2, Montreal, Pederson 8 (Lebeau, Chorske), 6:56. 3, Montreal, Chorske 7 (Savard), pp, 13:04.

Penalties-Desjardins, Mtl, :36; Savard, Mtl, 10:57; Gartner, NYR, 11:30; Janssens, NYR, 16:49; Hull, NYR, 16:49; Corson, Mtl, 16:49.

Third period-4, NY Rangers, Sheppard 16 (Nicholls, Hardy), 4:37.

Penalties-Odelein, Mtl, 2:34; Kisio, NYR, 7:20; Kisio, NYR, 12:48.

Shots on goal-NY Rangers 5-9-15-29. Montreal 12-14-11-37.

Power-play conversions-NY Rangers 4-0. Montreal 5-1.

Goaltenders-NY Rangers, Richter. Montreal, Racicot. A-17,467.

Referee-Denis Morel.

New Jersey	2	1	1-4
Quebec	0	0	1-1

First period-1, New Jersey, Lemieux 14 (Weinrich, Stasny), 3:16; 2, New Jersey Maley 4 (Conacher), 14:05.

Penalties-Vincelette, Que, 4:13; Daneyko, NJ, 7:40; Loiselle, Que, 11:28; Stewart, NJ, 18:37.

Second period-3, New Jersey, Stastny 11 (Muller, Lemieux), 2:14.

Penalties-Cirella, Que, 12:26; Stewart, NJ, major (fighting), 18:44; Nolan, Que, major (fighting), 18:44.

Third period-4, New Jersey, Shanahan 15 (MacLean, Sundstrom), 3:00; 5, Quebec, Lafleur 5 (Cirella, Sakic), pp, 8:34;

Penalties-Sundstrom, NJ, 7:18; Crowder, NJ, 8:52; Crowder, NJ, min-game misconduct, 12:03; Boschman, NJ, major (fighting), 12:03; Norwood, NJ, double minor, 12:03; Loiselle, Que, major (fighting), 12:03; Gillis, Que, 12:03; Wolanin, Que, 12:03.

Shots on goal-New Jersey 12 9 6-27. Quebec 6 8 13-25.

Power-play conversions-New Jersey 3-0. Quebec 6-1.

Goaltenders-New Jersey, Burke. Quebec, Tugnutt. A-14,124.

Referee-Dave Jackson.

Detroit	2	2	1-5
Winnipeg	1	1	0-2

First period-1, Detroit, Yzerman 21 (Primeau), :29. 2, Detroit, Yzerman 22 (Ysebaert, Racine), 5:06. 3, Winnipeg, Sykes 7 (Olausson, MacDermid), 13:41.

Penalties- McKay, Det, major (fighting) 8:27; Duncanson, Wpg, major (fighting) 8:27.

Second period-4, Winnipeg, Housley 10 (Arniel, Eagles), 1:24. 5, Detroit, Yzerman 23 (Ysebaert, Zombo), 3:13. 6, Detroit, Carson 10 (Yzerman, Fedorav), pp, 12:21.

Penalties-McKay, Det, minor-major (fighting), 8:05; Duncanson, Wpg, minor-major (fighting) 8:05; Chasson, Det, 10:21; MacDermid, Wpg, 11:31; Kocur, Det, 16:41.

Third period-7, Detroit, Ysebaert 6 (Primeau, Yzerman), 1:47.

Penalties- McKay, Det, 8:41; Olczyk, Wpg, 8:41; Chasson, Det, 11:14; McKay, Det, major (fighting)-game misconduct, 15:49; Donnelly, Wpg, minor-major (fighting) 15:49; Fedorov, Det, 17:16.

Shots on goal-Detroit 8-10-8-26. Winnipeg 8-5-11-24.

Power-play conversions-Detroit 2-1. Winnipeg 4-0.

Goaltenders-Detroit, Cheveldae. Winnipeg, Beauregard, Essensa (5:06 1st period). A- 12,041.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

Edmonton	3	1	2-6
Calgary	0	0	2-2

First period-1, Edmonton, Murphy 14 (Klima, Graves), 5:02. 2, Edmonton, MacTavish 4 (Gelinas, Lowe), pp, 12:24. 3, Edmonton, S.Smith 3 (Messier), 13:21.

Penalties-MacLellan, Cgy, 5:37; Fleury, Cgy, 9:03; Beukeboom, Edm, major (fighting), 5:03; Kyte, Cgy, major (fighting), 9:03; Roberts, Cgy, 10:26; Anderson, Edm, 14:54; Roberts, Cgy, 16:54.

Second period-4, Edmonton, MacTavish 5 (unassisted), 19:39.

Penalties-Brown, Edm, 1:47; S.Smith, Edm, 4:16; Graves, Edm, minor-major (fighting), 6:44; Otto, Cgy, minor-major (fighting), 6:44; Joseph, Edm, 9:32; M.Hunter, Cgy, 9:32; Beukeboom, Edm, 17:26.

Third period-5, Calgary, Johansson 2 (Gilmour, Makarov), :25. 6, Calgary, Reichel 12 (unassisted), 7:13. 7, Edmonton, Joseph 3 (unassisted), pp, 8:23. 8 Edmonton, MacTavish 6 (Lowe), sh, 12:50.

Penalties-Musil, Cgy, major (high sticking)-game misconduct, 6:03; Joseph, Edm 6:14; Beukeboom; Edm, 12:24; Klima, Edm, minor-misconduct-game misconduct, 17:05; Beukeboom, Edm, 17:31.

Shots on goal-Edmonton 14-7-8-29. Calgary 11-11-15-37.

Power-play conversions-Edmonton 6-2. Calgary 6-0.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Ranford. Calgary, Vernon. A-20,132

Referee-Bill McCreary.

Los Angeles	3	0	0-3
Vancouver	1	2	1-4

First period-1, Vancouver, Odjick 4 (Quinn, Lumme), 3:00. 2, Los Angeles, Benning 3 (Gretzky, Taylor), 9:44. 3, Los Angeles, Donnelly 1 (Gretzky, Tonelli), 15:10. 4, Los Angeles, Tonelli 6 (Jones, Watters), 17:17.

Penalties-Robinson, LA, 7:00; Benning, LA, 12:10; Linden, Van, 12:10; Tonelli, LA, 12:59.

Second period-5, Vancouver, Lumme 4 (Adams, Larionov), 12:54. 6, Vancouver, Adams 9 (Bozek, Lumme), 16:29.

Penalties-Van, bench minor (served by Smyl), 3:55; Linden, Van, 6:31.

Third period-7, Vancouver, Guy 1 (unassisted), 7:31.

Penalties-Watters, LA, 4:27; Linden, Van, 4:27; Elik, LA, 9:30; Bradley, Van, 9:30; Linden, Van, 9:47.

Shots on goal-Los Angeles 8-5-14-27. Vancouver 12-7-7-26.

Power-play conversions-Los Angeles 3-0. Vancouver 2-0.

Goaltenders-Los Angeles, Hrudey. Vancouver, Gamble, McLean (:00 2nd period). A-16,123.

Referee-Rob Schick.

Chicago	0	0	0	-0
St. Louis	3	2	0	-5

First period-1, St. Louis, Wilson 5 (Marios, Lowry), sh, 10:46. 2, St. Louis, MacLean 4 (Oates, Lowry), 14:15. 3, St. Louis, Oates 4 (Lowry, Snepsts), sh, 16:43.

Penalties-Larmer, Chi, 5:37; Brown, StL, 5:37; Presley, Chi, 7:34; Courtnall, StL, 10:02; Konroyd, Chi, 12:43; Momesso, StL, 12:43; Roenick, Chi, 14:55; Featherstone, StL, double minor (roughing, high sticking), 14:55; Murray, Chi, 18:37.

Second period-4, St. Louis, Oates 5 (Featherstone), 13:40. 5, St. Louis, Lowry 8 (Wilson, Stevens), sh, 15:34.

Penalties- Murray, Chi, 6:23; G. Cavallini, StL, 6:23; Lemieux, Chi, major (fighting), 7:00; Snepsts, StL, minor-major (instigating, fighting), 7:00; Peluso, Chi, minor-major (high stick, misconduct), 12:06; Momesso, StL, 12:06; Oates, StL, major (spearing, game misconduct), 15:21.

Third period-none.

Penalties-McGill, Chi, major (fighting), 3:01; Momesso, StL, major (fighting), 3:01; Featherstone, StL, 3:09; Gilbert, Chi, major (fighting), 6:28; Bassen, StL, major (fighting), 6:28; Lemieux, Chi, 6:33; Sutter, StL, 8:51; Peluso, Chi, 11:58; Presley, Chi, 13:14; Peluso, Chi, major (fighting),15:52; Raglan,

StL, minor-major (instigating, fighting), 15:52.

Shots on goal-Chicago 9-5-6-20. St. Louis 15- 12-11-38.

Power-play conversions-Chicago 6-0. St. Louis 6-0.

Goaltenders-Chicago, Belfour; St. Louis, Riendeau. A-18,157.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

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LJUBLJANA, Yugoslavia (DEC. 23) UPI - Voters in Slovenia cast ballots Sunday in a plebiscite that would give the government of Yugoslavia's most Westernized republic the authority to declare independence despite threats by the army.

Twelve hours of voting began at 7 a.m. Sunday, but there were no immediate reports on the early turnout at some 4,200 polling stations.

A senior government official warned Saturday that Slovenia will use force to defend its sovereignty and independence if the Yugoslav army refuses to respect the right of the republic's citizens to self- determination.

''We say publicly and directly to the Yugoslav army leadership that Slovenian army reservists will not be the first to use arms. But they will respond to violence with violence,'' Slovenian Prime Minister Lojze Peterle told a group of foreign correspondents.

''But, we believe this will not happen and that the army will respect the constitutional rights that every nation has: the right for self- determination '' said the 42-year-old senior member of the ruling coalition of nationalist parties, the Democratic Union.

Peterle's comments came a day before the most Westernized and economically developed of Yugoslavia's six republics held a plebiscite that would arm its government with the authority to declare independence as a way out of the country's grinding ethnic morass.

The Marxist-led Yugoslav military, the last significant repository of the ideals of the late communist dictator Josip Broz Tito, has been fueling fears of intervention in Slovenia, with senior officers warning that the army would use force to preserve a socialist federation.

The Democratic Union government, which has been embroiled for months in a dispute with the army over command of its military reserve force, has posted additional security personnel around important public buildings.

The plebiscite has also been condemned by the country's eight-man collective presidency and national Parliament, both of which have called on the federal government to take action to prevent Slovenia from seceding.

A vast majority of 1.5 million registered voters was expected to vote ''yes'' for the question ''Should Slovenia become a sovereign and independent state?'' according to an opinion poll published in the Slovenian capital of Ljubljana, 350 miles northwest of Belgrade.

Peterle reiterated that Slovenia will not secede immediately, but would use the plebiscite as a bargaining chip in its fight to restructure the multi-ethnic nation's constitutional framework and transform the federation of 23 million into a confederation of independent states linked only by trade.

''The plebiscite does not mean secession, a sudden separation from the federation, but it will mean a constant readiness to work on an agreement with other republics on forging a new system different from the one we have now,'' Peterle said.

The plebiscite was motivated by historic fears of political and economic domination by the largest Yugoslav republic, Serbia, the presidency of which was retained by an orthodox communist in Dec. 9 polls.

Slovenia also objects to having to provide large amounts of financial aid to communist-ruled Serbia, which is believed to be close to bankruptcy.

Critics, however, charge that the vote is a political gimmick hatched by the Democratic Union to maintain its popularity, which has been slipping since it ousted communists last April in Yugoslavia's first multi-party polls since the end of World War II in 1945.

Serbia advocates maintaining the federal structure established in 1918 and says it would only accept confederation if its present borders are enlarged to include Serbian areas now in other republics.

Peterle said Slovenia will use the next six months to ''become independent through talks, but in case of violent pressure on Slovenia, there will be an emergency session of the Slovenian Assembly to secede the republic from the Yugoslav federation.''

Referring to Slovenia's quarrel with the military, Peterle said, ''We have to speak at a political level with Yugoslav leaders, not with the army because the military is subordinated to the federal bodies, about the presence of the Yugoslav People's Army in our republic.''

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DAMMAM, Saudi Arabia (DEC. 23) UPI - U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, seeking to dispel appearances of timidness and disunity in the Bush administration, asserted Sunday that America is capable of striking ''today'' to drive Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

During an early morning news conference at Saudi King Fahd's Gulf Palace, Cheney also said prospects for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis were growing dimmer as the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline for use of force grows near.

''The clock is ticking,'' said Cheney, wrapping up a five-day visit to Saudi Arabia in which he met with U.S. and allied commanders to plot war strategy and brought Christmas greetings to the troops from President Bush.

''There is only one acceptable outcome to the current crisis, and that's the complete and total withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait,'' Cheney said, shortly before leaving for Washington, with a brief stop in Cairo to meet with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

''That doesn't mean a partial withdrawal. That doesn't mean he gets to keep 10 percent or 20 percent or 30 percent of what he stole.''

The defense secretary grew testy over suggestions the administration was speaking with several different voices on the wisdom of going to war, blaming the press for trying to stir up controversy.

''I have not seen any fundamentally conflicting statements made by administration officials,'' Cheney told about 100 reporters brought to the plush palace in port city of Dammam on the gulf for the press conference.

Cheney's visit to the oil-rich kingdom got off to a rough start when Lt. Gen. Calvin Waller said in an interview last Wednesday that certain armored tank divisions would probably not be ready for combat on Jan. 15 and could use another month of training. National security adviser Brent Scowcroft has also preached restraint.

Since Waller's statement, Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, have criss-crossed the desert trying to assure the nearly 300,000 troops deployed in the gulf region that the United States is ready for war and can deal Iraqi President Saddam Hussein a knockout punch.

At one stop Friday, Powell was asked by a squadron of Air Force pilots how he liked their A-10 ''tank killer'' jets. ''It's gonna be fun if you get started '' the top U.S. military commander kiddingly replied, evoking hoots and whistles.

Asked to clarify the question of U.S. readiness Sunday, Cheney said:

''We would be prepared today if we were ordered today to undertake military action. Obviously our capabilities will grow with the passage of time and I'm not going to speculate about what capabilities we may have on exactly what dates. Obviously Jan. 15 figures prominently in that.''

The U.N. Security Council set Jan. 15 as the date it would authorize the use of force against Iraq if Saddam does not withdraw from Kuwait, which his troops invaded Aug. 2. Twenty-seven nations, including the United States, Britain, France, Egypt, Syria and Bangladesh, have sent troops to the gulf region in the allied effort against Iraq.

On other topics:

-Cheney said the United States has been getting ''better all the time'' in protecting its troops against chemical weapons and said it had a ''complete spectrum'' of countermeasures, which he would not specify, to launch against Iraq. He would not answer questions about whether the U.S. forces would use chemical or nuclear weapons.

-He said the thousands of U.S. citizens who live and work in the Eastern Province of Saudi Arabia, which is closest to Kuwait and Iraq, should not feel the need to evacuate by Jan. 15. ''My perception is that this is one of the more carefully guarded pieces of territory in this part of the world,'' he said, referring to the massive U.S. and allied troop presence.

-Cheney mourned the drownings of at least 20 U.S. sailors whose boat capsized as they were returning to the U.S.S Saratoga from shore leave in Haifa, Israel. ''The accident involving crew members off the Saratoga is obviously a great tragedy,'' Cheney said. I suppose you could say that it was related to Operation Desert Shield. The Saratoga's been deployed in the Mediterranean. It's a different area of operations... but that really doesn't matter to the young men whose lives were lost or ''ives were lost

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(DEC. 23) UPI - Members of a Nobel Prize-winning physicians group say that sanctions against Iraq are having a devastating effect on civilians. The group points to a lack of medical supplies killing children every day.

The north coast of Australia is bracing for Cyclone Joy today. The storm is whipping up gusts as high as 143 miles an hour. The cyclone is expected to hit the coast in the vicinity of Cairns a city of 150- thousand.

A strong earthquake jolted the Costa Rican capital of San Jose Saturday, interrupting telephone service and causing some damage, but there were no immediate reports of casualties.

A massive cold front in the western United States brought record low temperatures to Los Angeles and Denver and knocked out power in Texas Saturday. Twisters in the South claimed two lives in Mississippi.

A meeting on a U-N peace plan for Cambodia continued late into the night Saturday. Rival Cambodian leaders are looking at a document that would allow the peace process to be pursued in spite of deep-rooted differences.

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PARIS (DEC. 23) UPI - The four warring Cambodian factions said Sunday they agreed on most of the key parts of a U.N. sponsored peace plan to end the 12-year civil war in the beleaguered Southeast Asian country, according to participants.

But French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas said some major issues remained to be solved, included the terms of a cease-fire.

The four factions said in a statement they reached agreement on ''most of the fundamental points'' of the U.N. plan on condition that the parties involved in the conflict make a serious effort to limit the level of fighting.

The plan worked out by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council calls for a cease-fire and U.N. supervision of the country in the period leading to free elections.

Acceptance of the plan by the four Cambodian factions is seen by diplomatic observers as essential to its implementation and as a further step for the reconvening of the Coordinating Committee of the Paris Conference on Cambodia.

Dumas, who co-chairs the Paris Conference with his Indonesian colleague Ali Alatas, said he was ''satisfied'' with the preliminary accord.

''The debate is now very circumscribed, very limited,'' Dumas said, adding that the preliminary accord ''gives birth to the hope'' for a peaceful solution to the conflict.

But Dumas, who warned at the start of the Paris meeting Friday that time was running out for finding a peaceful solution to the conflict, said two major issues remained to be resolved - the details of the cease-fire and the use of the word ''genocide'' to describe past rule by the communist Khmer Rouge, when at least 1 million Cambodians allegedly were killed or starved to death.

Vietnam invaded Cambodia in late 1978 and ousted the Khmer Rouge. But the Vietnamese occupation triggered a civil war between the Hanoi- installed government and three rebel factions.

The three Cambodian opposition factions are the Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge, the nationalists led by former Prime Minister Son Sann, and one headed by Prince Norodom Sihanouk, who did not attend the Paris meeting.

Sihanouk, the former leader of Cambodia, issued a letter last week putting aside his demand to chair the Supreme National Council in an effort to avoid disputes blocking agreement on the U.N. peace plan.

The fourth group represented at the talks is the current Vietnamese- backed Cambodian government headed by Prime Minister Hun Sen, 39, who was hospitalized Friday after fainting from fatigue. Although he was reported to have completely recovered, he did not attend the Saturday sessions under doctors' orders.

The meetings in Paris brought together the 12-members of the Supreme National Council, made up of six representatives of the current Cambodian government and two members from each of the three guerrilla factions.

Under the U.N. plan adopted by the five permanent Security Council members - the United States, the Soviet Union, China, France, and England - the council would administer the country until U.N. sponsored elections can be held.

Speaking for the Cambodian government Friday, Hun Sen admitted the council's role was necessary but said it should be limited.

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(DEC. 23) UPI - TODAY'S PEOPLE:

OVERCOMING THE BRUTTA FIGURA: Francis Ford Coppola wants to earn a degree of professional redemption with the ''The Godfather: Part III.'' Coppola had a string of failures and so-so movies like ''One From the Heart,'' ''Gardens of Stone'' and ''The Cotton Club'' in the '80s and knows his image has been damaged. ''I want my career to be in a place that gives me a lot of pleasure and satisfaction,'' Coppola said in an interview with The New York Times. ''I'm very embarrassed about my career over the last 10 years. ''You know an Italian family puts a lot of stock on not losing face, not making what we call una brutta figura, or bad showing. When you have people writing about you in a mocking way and making fun of your ideas and calling you a crackpot, that's a real brutta figura. I want to be considered a vital American filmmaker and ''ered a vital American filmmaker

THE DONALD IS NOT PLEASED: Donald Trump is reportedly steamed over a tell-all book by former associate Jack O'Donnell, who was once the president of Trump Plaza Hotel and Casino in Atlantic City, N.J. O'Donnell resigned from Trump

Plaza last April, went to work for Trump competitor Merv Griffin, and is now chief operating officer of Griffin's Resorts Casino Hotel. Despite this background, Trump spokeswoman Norma Foederer said O'Donnell's book would have ''no merit whatsoever'' because he was ''never in the mainstream.'' Foederer said Trump would wait to read the book, ''Trumped: The Decline and Fall of Donald Trump,'' before deciding on legal action.'' It's scheduled for publication May 1.

NEW MONEY ON THE BLOCK: The New Kids on the Block had the second highest grossing tour in music history. The Kids' road trip was the biggest of the year and brought in $73.8 million, second only to the Rolling Stones' 1989 ''Steel Wheels'' tour, which grossed $98 million. According to a music business publication, the second biggest tour of the year was Billy Joel ($43 million), followed by Paul McCartney ($37.9 million), the Grateful Dead ($29 million), Janet Jackson ($28.2 million), Aerosmith ($27.4 million), M.C. Hammer ($26.3 million), Motley Crue ($24.7 million), Phil Collins ($23.8 million) and Eric Clapton ($20.7 million).

LIBERTY ROPE TRICK: Mark Randall, 23, was arrested last week for dropping from the observation deck of the Statue of Liberty by a rope that left him swinging about 80 feet above the ground. Charged with disorderly conduct, Randall said he was demonstrating on behalf of Indian activist Leonard Peltier, who was convicted in 1977 of killing two FBI agents on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. ''As long a Leonard Peltier is in jail, liberty is just a statue '' Randall told police. He said the idea of rappelling off Lady Liberty came to him in a vision.

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(FEB. 23) UPI - CALENDAR:

(All times EST)

Basketball

Atlanta at Boston, 1 p.m., resumption of Nov. 28 game
Utah at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at LA Clippers, 9 p.m.
Denver at Portland, 10 p.m.
Minnesota at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Football

New England at NY Jets, 1 p.m.
Dallas at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.

Miami at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
LA Rams at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Houston, 1 p.m.
NY Giants at Phoenix, 4 p.m.
Kansas City at San Diego, 4 p.m.
New Orleans at San Francisco, 4 p.m.
Denver at Seattle, 8 p.m.

Hockey
Quebec at Buffalo, 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Hartford, 7:05 p.m.
Montreal at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
Boston at NY Rangers, 7:35 p.m.
NY Islanders at Pittsburgh, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.
Vancouver at Edmonton, 8:05 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.

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COLUMBUS, GA (DEC. 23) UPI - Police said they are closing a probe into the ingestion of 15 anti-anxiety pills by the woman whose two-year relationship with Atlanta Catholic Archbishop Eugene Marino led to his resignation.

Vicki Long, 28, took the Ativan pills Friday night at her mother's home and was rushed to Doctors Hospital. She was placed in the hospital's mental health unit, where later she was reported resting.

Poison control officials said the 15 pills were about four times the recommended dosage but were not enough to kill her.

Columbus police would not term the overdose an attempted suicide. Sgt. Robert Garrett said Long ''didn't make any statements that it was an intentional overdose, so there's no crime, no investigation. It's inactive. It's closed.''

Police also denied a report that Long had left a long suicide note. Lt. Bill Rawn said Long's writings on several sheets of paper appeared to be more of a diary than anything else.

Long's overdose followed by a day the release by the Catholic Archdiocese of Atlanta an audit showing that the church spent $21,096 on Long. Most of the money was paid to institutions and physicians for medical care. The cost of the audit came to $84,000.

Archbishop Marino is in seclusion, recovering from severe stress, church

officials said. They admitted some time ago that Marino had given Long up to $1,500 per month from personal funds.

Another priest, the Rev. Michael Woods, who resigned after saying he had been intimately involved with Long, also is in seclusion.

Long had sued a third priest, the Rev. Donal Keohane and the church, alleging that the Keohane fathered her daughter, LaDonna, now 4. Blood tests, however, have indicated that Keohane is not the child's father.

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(DEC. 23) UPI - Around the world... Around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I...

The more than 45-hundred American servicemen aboard the U-S-S Saratoga aircraft carrier are dealing with personal tragedy this weekend. A memorial will be held aboard the Saratoga today for the 19 servicemen who died when a ferry capized Friday night off Israel- about 200 yards from their home ship.

Defense Secretary Cheney told hundreds of Marines in Saudi Arabia yesterday that they may NOT be waiting in the desert much longer. Cheney says he expects that President Bush will order military action shortly after January 15th if Iraq does NOT withdraw its troops from Kuwait by the U-N-ordered deadline.

The first man elected by popular vote in Poland was sworn in yesterday as the nation's president. Lech Walesa delivered a brief inaugural speech in Warsaw, calling the event ''a fundamental step along the long and bloodstained road to the rebuilding'' of Polish independence. Walesa stressed Poland's role in Europe, but pointedly omitted direct reference to the Soviet Union.

Winter is here. A cold front moved from the western to the eastern United States, chilling much of the nation along the way. About nine- thousand Houston residents were without power yesterday after frigid temperatures snapped utility lines. Record-breaking temperatures chilled at least 40 cities in the West yesterday- the first full day of winter.

Authorities believe a pair of female serial killers may be prowling the highways of Florida and Georgia. The body of a 49-year-old man was found dumped by the roadside Friday afternoon. The man had been shot to death and police believe he may have been the 10th victim in a series of killing.

A task force is investigating a string of shotgun slayings that has left seven people dead and terrified people living in northwest Indiana. Portage police Sargeant Warren Lewis says the list of suspects includes ''several people,'' but NONE has been picked up for questioning.

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WARSAW, Poland (DEC. 23) UPI - President Lech Walesa Sunday invited as his first guest to Belweder Palace the man who just vacated it and who also happened to be his former jailer: Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski.

Jaruzelski was absent from Walesa's inauguration Saturday as Poland's first popularly elected president.

Walesa, the former Solidarity union leader and onetime shipyard electrician, had announced he would accept the symbols of presidential office not from his predecessor - but from Ryszard Kaczorowski, president of the Polish government-in-exile.

The new president met shortly before noon with Jaruzelski, who several months ago agreed to step down one year into his six-year term amid considerable public pressure.

Jaruzelski ''shared his experience as president with Walesa and wished him success in his mission'' during their meeting at the presidential palace, the Polish news agency PAP said.

Walesa, 47, the 1983 Nobel Peace Prize recipient, won the presidency in an election Dec. 9, a decade after founding the labor movement that eventually took control of the government.

It was Jaruzelski, as Communist Party chief and prime minister, who imposed martial law on Dec. 13, 1981, interning Walesa and thousands of other activists to crush the Solidarity movement.

But Walesa later regained his freedom and went on to engineer a roundtable agreement in 1989 that led to partly free parliamentary elections won by Solidarity. That resulted in the removal of the communist government and helped spark the fall of communist rule in much of Eastern Europe.

The meeting between Walesa and Jaruzelski could help assuage fears by the former communist elite, who still control a good portion of the Polish bureaucracy, that the inauguration of a former ''enemy of the people'' may not spell total disaster.

About 20 communist deputies in the parliamentary chamber where Walesa was inaugurated Saturday showed their displeasure by refusing to stand or applaud.

After meeting with Jaruzelski, Walesa returned with his family and aides to hometown Gdansk, from where he is expected to conduct much of the affairs of state.

Walesa's first task is to name a new premier. Two of his choices have already bowed out, one citing ''significant differences'' with the new president.

Among the possible candidates, the one considered most likely is Mieczyslaw Gil, chairman of the Solidarity parliamentary caucus.

Amid positive if cautious world reaction to Walesa's election, the French media noted France's close ties with the former Mazowiecki government, but suggested there would be no problem with changing alliances.

''Supporting Mazowiecki, we were not against Walesa,'' said a bank owner in Paris. ''We were for what we treat as our biggest ally - for stability, which is also Poland's ally.''

In Washington, the State Department treated the election as part of the normal process of democratic change - but relief was expressed that Walesa had pledged to continue most of the policies of the previous government which imposed strict measures to heal Poland's ailing economy.

In neighboring Czechoslovakia, which is struggling with similar problems in the conversion to democracy, observers noted Walesa will need all the help he can get.

''Walesa can help Poland and Poles stand up on their own legs,'' said Jan Sokol, chairman of the ruling Civic Forum parliamentary floor group. ''However the whole difficultiy is that he cannot do it alone. Thus I hope that Mr. Walesa succeeds in implanting in his people a new dose of optimism and faith.''

Poles who witnessed his inauguration said they hoped that neither the former communists nor Mazowiecki's supporters would stand in Walesa's way.

''We are afraid of the people from the Mazowiecki government as well as the former PZPR (Communist Party),'' said Alina Chrusciel, a teacher. ''He has a big role to fulfill. We are praying (for) his presidency and we want him to be a success.''

Walesa had initially backed the installation of Mazowiecki as premier, but soon broke with his former adviser over the pace of reforms and announced he would run for president.

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DHAKA, Bangladesh (DEC. 23) UPI - Rival student groups clashed Sunday with guns and bamboo sticks on the streets of the capital and the southern port city of Chittagong for a second straight day, leaving 25 people wounded and several vehicles damaged, police said.

The violence erupted Saturday when students from the powerful All- Party Students Unity group defied a strike called by the Islamic Chatra Shibir organization to demand the resignation of the Chittagong University's vice chancellor.

It was the worst student violence since university youths led a campaign to oust President Gen. Hussein Mohammed Ershad. Ershad resigned his post Dec. 6 and was later charged with corruption and abuse of power.

Observers worried the unrest could escalate and spread to other cities unless mainstream opposition parties that joined the struggle for Ershad's ouster took steps to bring the youths under control.

At least 200 people were wounded in the first day of fighting Saturday in the southern port city, including 40 who were admitted to the hospital with bullet injuries, sources at the Chittagong Medical College Hospital said.

The clashes spread to the capital Saturday night, with students from the All-Party Students Unity attacking youths from the Islamic Chatra Shibir as they slept in their dormitory rooms. Witnesses said 60 rooms were ransacked and the belongings inside set ablaze.

Authorities closed the 11,000-student Chittagong University and youths vacated their dormitory rooms Sunday morning. Authorities said about 3,000 policemen were guarding the university to quell any disturbances.

Violence flared again Sunday when the All-Party Students Unity staged a march in Chittagong and held a rally in Dhaka to protest the clashes. They demanded a ban on the Jamaati Islam, parent organization of the Islamic Chatra Shibir.

At least 25 people were wounded and three vehicles damaged in Chittagong when workers from the Islamic Chatra Shibir clashed with the All-Party marchers in Chittagong.

The Islamic Chatra Shabir demanded an inquiry into the incident, charging it was deliberately provoked in a bid to keep the Jamaati Islami out of parliamentary elections.

The interim government that took over following Ershad's resignation has scheduled elections for Feb. 27.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 23) UPI - Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell said Sunday Congress will debate and vote on U.S. policy in Iraq, including the issue of declaring war, in January after its return from the Christmas recess.

But Mitchell, D-Maine, said there remains a fundamental difference between himself and the administration as to who has the power to approve the use of force - the White House or Congress.

Mitchell said on the NBC television program ''Meet the Press'' that he expects members of Congress to be called back some time between Jan. 3 and President Bush's State of the Union address at the end of the month to discuss the issue of a war declaration.

''There is no doubt the Congress will debate, discuss and vote on this issue '' he said.

But the thorny question of who may press the proverbial button to start a war in the Persian Gulf - while spelled out in the Constitution - is apparently not at all clear.

Mitchell contended Bush wants Congress to pass a resolution giving the executive branch a ''blank check'' for initiating warfare against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for his Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. The U. N. Security Council has authorized U.S.-led forces deployed in the Persian Gulf to use force if Iraq fails to leave Kuwait by Jan. 15.

''The Constitution says that only the Congress can declare war,'' Mitchell said. The president ''does have to come to Congress if he decides to make war and I believe offensive military action in the current circumstances in the Persian Gulf are self-evidently the making of war.

''So I think he would need the prior approval of Congress,'' Mitchell added. ''I told the president that many many times. I regret to say that it appears the adminstration doesn't agree.''

But Mitchell said he agrees with Bush's actions to date to try to pressure Saddam into withdrawing from Kuwait with tight economic sanctions.

''I believe that we can't rule out the use of force, but I think it it should be a last resort, not an early resort,'' the Maine Democrat said.

Meanwhile, former Secretary of State George Shultz said on ABC's ''This Week with David Brinkley'' that he thinks a war probably will break out.

Shultz said in addition to putting Saddam ''back in his box,'' other objectives that need to be achieved include correcting the region's balance of power once U.S. forces leave, doing something about Saddam's chemical and nuclear weapon capability and the war crimes committed by the Iraqis against the Kuwaitis.

''I'm just stating the objectives and it may be that the only way to achieve them is through military means, but there are other ways too,'' Shultz said,

adding, ''If we fail to achieve (these) objectives, the problem will just be in our lap again.''

Bush, who is at Camp David, Md., tentatively plans to meet Monday with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to discuss their recent trip to the gulf.

Bush and his family are scheduled to be at the presidential retreat in the Maryland mountains through New Year's Day.

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(DEC. 23) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney told American troops in Saudi Arabia yesterday that war is possible ''soon after'' January 15th if Iraq has not withdrawn from Kuwait by then. President Bush said the U-S-led multinational force is ready to strike at any time.

A Pentagon spokesman says one U-S soldier participating in Operation Desert Shield was killed and a second was injured yesterday when a truck in which they were riding overturned in Saudi Arabia.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev yesterday invalidated the formation of separate Russian-speaking and Gagauz republics within Moldavia. But he also ordered the Moldavian government to reconsider a language law and other acts.

The emir of Qatar opened a Gulf Cooperation Council summit yesterday with a call for a regional security system that would guard in the future against aggressive acts such as the Iraqi invasion of member- state Kuwait.

French and German government officials confirmed a newspaper report yesterday that said the two countries were talking about World War Two reparation payments. A French official source said discussions with Germany started in early December.

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(DEC. 23) UPI - President Bush did NOT beat around the Bush in commenting on U-S plans against Iraq yesterday. Bush said that U-S-led multinational forces in the region are prepared to launch a heavy offensive if necessary against Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. Bush said he will meeting tomorrow at Camp David with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and General Colin Powell, who have been conducting their own assessment of troops in the gulf region.

Divers yesterday inspected the wreck of the Israeli ferry that capsized in the Mediterranean Sea at midnight Friday, drowning at least 19 U-S servicemen. The men were returning to the U-S-S Saratoga after pre-Christmas shore leave in

Israel. In a preliminary check, divers said there were no signs of sabotage against the private Israeli ferry that sank on its first day of operation.

Fierce bush fires almost ringed Sydney, Australia today, as the city sweltered in searing temeratures that reached 104 degrees. Despite fire bans throughout most of New South Wales state, heat-wave conditions and hot, gusty winds fueled large fires statewide. Fire officers said it's the most critical bush fire conditions in two decades.

Japan has pledged 336 Million dollars in a low-interest emergency commodity loan to Egypt to help relieve its economic difficulty caused by the Gulf crisis. The Japanese government said the fund is part of the two BILLION dollars that Japan pledged to provide in aid to countries hit hard by international trade sanctions against Iraq.

Voters in Slovenia cast ballots today in an election that would give the government of Yugoslavia's most Westernized republic the authority to declare independence, despite threats by the army. A senior government official warned yesterday that Slovenia will use force to defend its sovereignty and independence if the Yugoslav army refuses to respect the right of the republic's citizens to self-determination.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 23) UPI - Several thousand Muscovites held an unsanctioned rally in the Soviet capital Sunday to urge the Congress of People's Deputies to reject Mikhail Gorbachev's bid for more presidential powers.

Pro-democracy activists gathered at Soviet Square on a cold and gray winter day as weary lawmakers rested after a dramatic first week of their legislative session that included the surprise resignation annoucement by Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardandze.

Signs and speeches at the demonstration across from the Moscow City Council indicated that Shevardnadze, the white-haired Georgian who heralded Gorbachev's ''new thinking'' around the globe, has quickly been adopted as a martyred hero by reformists at home.

Posters praising Shevardnadze bobbed above the crowd alongside portraits of Boris Yeltsin, the popular leader of the Russian Federation.

''Don't resign, Shevardnadze,'' beseeched one sign. Another said: ''Shevardnadze belongs to the democrats.''

An opinion poll conducted before Shevardnadze's announcement Thursday, released by the Interfax news service, put the foreign minister's national approval rating at 64, second only to Yeltsin among prominent political

figures.

Gorbachev's name was not included in the survey. He had an approval rating of 21 in a separate poll last month.

Several protesters Sunday hoisted the white-blue-and-red flag adopted by radical Russian nationalists.

''The most destructive force in our society is our slave-like, lumpen psychology,'' said Eduard Kozin, a deputy from the Ukrainian city of Sumy. ''The second-most destructive force in our society is the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.''

The protest, staged by the Democratic Russia movement and other radical groups was much smaller than several pro-democracy rallies held in Moscow earlier in the year. Organizers blamed the modest turnout on cold weather and authorities' refusal to grant permission for the demonstration.

Moscow Mayor Gavriil Popov, a leading reformer, turned down an invitation to address the protest and said organizers failed to meet a 10-day notice requirement for an official permit.

Several speakers drew cheers when they spoke out against the expanded powers sought by Gorbachev, who is asking the Congress to approve constitutional amendments placing the government's central ministries directly under his control and basing several new law-enforcement agencies in his office.

In the Moldavian capital of Kishinev, several thousand people rallied to support Gorbachev's decree Saturday ordering the republican government to abide by national laws and ensure equal rights for all citizens.

Some of the demonstrators clashed with Moldavian nationalists chanting ''Occupiers, go home'' and other slogans, forcing police to intervene, the official Tass news agency said.

Shevardnadze's speech at the Congress on Thursday, when he warned of a return to authoritarian rule and accused reformists of abandoning the fight for democracy, has intensified debate over where the country is headed.

Lyudmila Arutyunyan, a deputy from the Transcaucasian republic of Armenia, wrote in the weekly Moscow News that ''the danger of a right- wing coup is terrifying because it is not perceived by the people as a danger if it is accomplished without violence, under the banner of ensuring law and order.''

In Vilnius, Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis called on his people Saturday to pursue active resistance if Moscow cracks down on the rebellious Baltic region.

KGB chief Vladimir Kryuchkov told deputies Saturday that the Soviet Union will slide further into chaos unless ''resolute actions to establish law and order.''

The Congress postponed a vote on Gorbachev's proposed executive powers, which have been approved by the standing Soviet Parliament that meets between the larger body's biannual sessions. The Congress, which must sanction all constitutional amendments, was to vote on the proposed powers Monday.

The amendments bolstering Gorbachev's command must be approved by two-thirds of the entire 2,250-seat Congress, a difficult threshold for the president because of full or partial boycotts by deputies from six of the 15 Soviet republics.

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(DEC. 23) UPI - Divers in Haifa, Israel, today found the body of another U-S serviceman, bringing the death toll to 20 Americans killed when a ferry capsized while returning them to the U-S-S Saratoga after shore leave in Israel. Both Israel and the United States launched investigations into the tragedy yesterday. Senior Israeli military officials said divers making a preliminary check found no sign of sabotage.

Britain's Prince Charles visited his nation's famed ''Desert Rat'' brigade in Saudi Arabia yesterday and expressed confidence that Britain's soldiers would ''perform brilliantly'' in any conflict with Iraq. The prince shook hands and talked with about 40 British soldiers and also met a group of American Marines who have been training side-by- side with the British troops for two months.

Japan's leading news agency reported today that the Persian Gulf crisis was selected as the top international story of 1990. A poll conducted by the Kyodo News Service said the end of the Soviet Communist Party's monopoly of power and the continuing political and economic turmoil in the Soviet Union ranked second, followed by German unification in October.

The family of Philippine President Corazon Aquino's estranged cousin and bitter political rival returned from five years of exile in the United States today. Their return was made possible when an appeals court upheld an order to issue them their passports. Businessman Eduardo ''Danding'' Conjuango sneaked into the country last year after fleeing with the late dictator Ferdinand Marcos in 1986. The Philippine government had revoked his family's passports for security reasons.

At least six people died and 62 others were injured in a pre-dawn blaze in a nine-story residential building in Hong Kong today. As firefighters battled the fire, a hydraulic lift lowering a ladder and a wire cage containing three firefighters and an undetermined number of people being rescued collapsed and

fell on a fire truck. Hospitals say at least five of the injured are in poor condition.

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#90357u0455 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 23) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney says America is capable of striking ''today'' to drive Iraqi troops from Kuwait. During an early morning news conference at Saudi King Fahd's Gulf Palace, Cheney also said prospects for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis are growing dimmer as the January 15th U-N deadline for use of force grows near. Cheney spoke shortly before leaving for Washington, with a brief stop in Cairo to meet with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak .

Leaders of the pro-western Gulf Co-operation Council met in Qatar today and discussed a new security system for the oil-rich region that would include NON-Arab Iran. The possible involvement of Tehran in the new security plan for the Gulf is a departure from the delcared policy of the six-nation G-C-C toward Iran. The council backed Iraq during the 1980-1988 Gulf war and has rejected suggestions in the past that Iran be involved in council affairs.

Soviet military officials yesterday gave up custody of a Soviet war memorial at the famed Brandenburg Gate in Berlin and handed it over to German authorities. The stone monument, topped with a 25-foot bronze Soviet soldier flanked by two tanks, serves as a grave for more than two-thousand Red Army soldiers killed during the Soviet capture of Berlin at the close of World War Two in 1945.

A woman in Largo, Florida, with one son already in the Persian Gulf and another awaiting orders to go, has vowed to resist her condominium association's order to remove the U-S flag from outside her home. The Rosetree Village Community Assiation wrote a letter to Lucille Consoli, telling her the flag violates a condominium rule against having anything extending more than one foot from any unit. Consoli says the policy is ''anti-American.''

A private economic research organization based in Tokyo reports that most Asian countries, including newly industrializing nations, will keep their economies growing in 1991, but at a slower pace. The predicted slowdown is attributed to external factors such as the Gulf crisis, economic conditions in the industrialized nations and exchange rates of their currencies against the U-S dollar.

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(DEC. 23) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney wrapped up a five-day visit to Saudi Arabia today with assurances that the United States is ready to attack Iraq and drive its troops out of Kuwait. Cheney said ''We would be prepared

today if we were ordered to undertake military action.'' Cheney has been trying to offset comments last week by Lieutenant General Calvin Waller, who said that certain armored tank divisions would probably NOT be ready for combat on January 15th.

Cheney traveled to Cairo today on his way back to Washington. After a one-hour meeting with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarek, Cheney told reporters there is NO indication that Iraq will withdraw from Kuwait by January 15th. He also said that the diplomatic situation ''is NOT improving.''

The death toll from Friday's capsizing of a ferry carrying U-S servicemen in Israel grew to 20 when divers found another body today. The ferry was returning the men to the U-S-S Saratoga after shore leave, when it overturned. Israel Radio reported that one person still is missing. The 20 confirmed deaths brought to 77 the total U-S death toll in Operation Desert Shield.

About 200 holiday travelers were stranded in St. Paul, Minnesota, yesterday when two Amtrak trains stalled due to winter weather. The passengers were bound for Chicago aboard a train from Seattle... but that train was delayed by snow and cold out west. A back-up train was called in from St. Paul... but it too failed due to mechanical problems. The passengers eventually completed their trip on chartered busses.

The four warring Cambodian factions agreed in Paris early today on the fundamental points of a U-N sponsored peace plan to end the 12-year civil war in the beleaguered Southeast Asian country. The agreement worked out by the five permanent members of the U-N Security Council calls for a cease-fire and U-N supervision of the country in the period leading to free elections.

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#90357u0497 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, India (DEC. 23) UPI - In a blue office cramped with stacks of Hindu literature, B.L. Sharma gestured emphatically and pounded a desk with his fist while explaining recent violence between Moslems and Hindus in India.

''It is because of intolerant teachings of this bloody Koran,'' Sharma said. ''From the very beginning, since their inception, they (Moslems) have been intolerent. Until such time as Islam remains in this world, riots will continue.''

As general secretary of the Vishwa Hindu Parishad, a right-wing cultural organization, Sharma is one of the main people pushing for construction of a temple to the Hindu diety Lord Rama at the site of a 16th century mosque in northern Uttar Pradesh state.

Hindu pressure for construction of the temple led to the collapse of Prime Minister V.P. Singh's government last month and set Hindu-Moslem relations on

edge. Renewed agitation this month touched off a wave of violence that has killed more than 200 people - including one who was stabbed to death Sunday.

Behind the Hindu demand for the temple to Rama is a growing Hindu consciousness and a general feeling among Hindus that they are being treated as second-class citizens despite their vast numerical majority.

That feeling has caused a groundswell of racist, anti-Moslem sentiment. Hindus express concern the estimated 110 million Moslems in India will breed faster than the 700 million Hindus and take over the country. And they damn politicians for catering to Moslem sensibilities.

Relations between Moslems and Hindus never have been ideal. Invaders brought Islam to India centuries ago and Moslems ruled over much of the country for generations until they were conquered by the Christian British.

''Their history is full of blood, blood, bloodshed,'' Sharma said of the Moslems.

Only with the coming of independence and democracy in 1947 did Hindus regain control of their government. And then it was Moslems, fearing secular rule by the majority, who demanded the subcontinent be carved up so they could have a separate Moslem state - Pakistan.

Many Hindus believe that after finally regaining political control, their own government began to cater to Moslem whims following independence.

''Hindus are feeling that even though our constitution gives equal rights to everybody, the Moslem community is getting better treatment than the majority community,'' said Kidar Nath Sahani, the general secretary of the Bharatiya Janata party.

Sahani, whose party gives a political voice to many of the ideals espoused by Sharmas cultural group, said what was particularly galling to Hindus was a decision by parliament several years ago to exempt Moslems from certain elements of Indian law.

As a result, he said, Moslems are governed by Islamic law on such isues as marriage, divorce and payment of alimony. While Hindus are allowed only one wife, Moslems may marry several times, and while Hindus pay alimony, Moslems are not required to do so.

''Naturally the entire country other than Moslems were enraged,'' he said. ''What is this? You call it a secular country where law should be applicable to every citizen, how come Moslems are being treated in a different way? That widened the gap.''

For many Hindus, the government had gone too far. And when the dispute over

Babri Mosque in the city of Ayodhya - the traditional birthplace of Rama - began to simmer again, organizations like the Vishwa Hindu Parishad drew the line.

Many Hindus belive the Moslems invader Babar, who built the Babri Mosque, destroyed an ancient temple to Rama to make way for the structure. The truth about what existed before the mosque cannot be proved and has become largely irrelevant as belief has taken hold.

''Hundreds of millions of Hindus feel it is the birthplace of Lord Rama, whom they call the incarnation of god,'' Sahani said. ''It is as holy to us as the Kabba (in Mecca) is to Moslems, as Christ's birthplace is to Christians.''

But in an atmosphere of growing Hindu consciousness, the issue has become not only one of religion but of national pride.

''We hold that whatever structure Babar built at that particular place smacks of a period of slavery,'' Sahani said. ''It is a national insult, a monument of national insult, and now that we are free, that monument of national insult must go.''

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 23) UPI - Palestinian Michel Sabah, who as Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem is spiritual guide to regional Catholics, nearly agrees with Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi's claim that it is impossible to be a Christian Arab, only a Moslem one.

''The situation is difficult, remains difficult and becomes even more difficult,'' said the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, reflecting on his position as the Arabic spiritual leader of the 125,000 Catholics living in Israel, Jordan and the Israeli-occupied territories.

''This violence - violence, killing and beating - are useless, useless, and we remain where we are,'' Sabah says.

Born in Nazareth, the affable 57-year-old Sabah was the first Arab prelate nominated to occupy the high office in Jerusalem in 143 years.

Sabah officiates Monday at his third consecutive Christmas Eve midnight mass in Bethlehem and reflected recently on his tenure that has paralleled the Palestinian uprising and on the uprising's effects on the Christian community.

The Latin patriarchate was established in the 11th century by the Crusaders, but it temporarily ended its presence in the Holy Land in 1291 with the demise of the Crusader kingdom. Pope Pius IX reestablished the Latin partriarchate in 1847.

Sabah, nominated by Pope John Paul II several months before the outbreak of the Palestinian uprising in December 1987, feels there is no conflict of interest in being both Palestinian and patriarch.

''It makes things clearer for the Palestinians and also the Israelis, '' says Sabah.

In an interview with United Press International, Sabah rejected allegations by Israeli authorities he has taken sides in the 3-year-old Palestinian uprising against the Israeli occupation of the territories. He believes it is all a matter of how you look at the situation.

''For me it's an issue of justice, of human relations, of reconciliation. For them as authorities it is a military problem, a political problem,'' Sabah says.

''We are fathers and brothers of the people who suffer, the people who are killed or beaten, imprisoned,'' Sabah says.

An internal Israeli report leaked to Israel Radio last week named Sabah among four senior church leaders actively involved in anti-Israeli propaganda.

The report, which Israeli officials refused to comment on, said church leaders were trying to show their loyalty to the Palestinian cause in order to hide increasing tensions between Moslem fundamentalists and the Christian community.

Church leaders published a joint Christmas message last week, saying they consider it their sacred duty to voice concern about human rights' violations in the Israeli-occupied territories.

Moslem fundamentalists have become a major force both among Palestinians living in the territories and Israeli Arabs.

''Christians and Moslems have lived together for 13 centuries and we shall live together forever. We are one people but two religions,'' says Sabah.

According to Sabah, if tensions exists they are a by-product of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

But Sabah is aware his flock is diminishing, and many Christian Arabs from East Jerusalem and Bethlehem are fleeing the physical and economic hardships caused by the Palestinian uprising. The number of Christians living in the Jerusalem area reportedly have decreased by a third to 14, 000 since the start of the uprising.

''We try to tell them you should not leave, your existence here in the Holy Land, being born here, is a special occasion. It's a vocation to a difficult

life... and anybody wishing to live in the Holy Land must accept a difficult life.''

Sabah said he hopes Palestinians and Israelis will soon find a way to reconciliate their political differences.

''Miracles can happen also here and not only in Eastern Europe.''

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#90357u0548 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 23) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney says he's convinced U-S troops are prepared for a possible war with Iraq. Cheney says his troops are capable of striking ''today'' to drive Iraqi troops from occupied Kuwait. The Pentagon chief made the comments in Cairo, Egypt, after an extensive review of U-S forces in Saudi Arabia. His visit came on the heels of a statement by a high-ranking U-S defense official that NOT all ground forces would be ready by the January 15th deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait.

Rescue workers off the coast of Israel, meanwhile, recovered the body of another U-S soldier today... bringing to 20 the number of Americans who died when a ferry capsized late Friday. The accident, which occured when 100 servicemen were being transported from Haifa, Israel, to the U- S-S Saratoga, was the deadliest since the United States launched Operation Desert Shield after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Altogether, at least 77 American soldiers have died in accidents, including a serviceman killed yesterday when a truck overturned in eastern Saudi Arabia.

Authorities are investigating the cause of a deadly pre-dawn fire in a residential building in Hong Kong. At least six people died and 62 others were injured in the nine-story buildin. Hospital officials report at least five of the injured are in poor condition. Fire officials say as firefighters battled the fire, a hydraulic lift lowering a ladder and a wire cage containing three firefighters and an undetermined number of people being rescued collapsed and fell on a fire truck.

In Yugoslavia, an alliance of major opposition groups is trying to block the party of Serbia's re-elected communist president from gaining a majority of assembly seats. The closing round of balloting is underway of the first multi-party elections held in the largest Yugoslav republic since World War Two. News reports say voters of the ethnic Albanian majority of Serbia's Kosovo Province observed a near-total boycott to protest the withdrawal of virtually all self-rule by the republic's communist government.

Cyclone Joy is whipping up winds gusting to 143 miles an hour as it slowly bears down on the North Coast of Queensland State. Meterorologists say the cyclone is expected to strike the Australian mainland sometime tomorrow in the vicinity of Cairns. Police say the city of 150-thousand is battened down with

all State Emergency Services on full alert. The Brisbane Weather Bureau says the ''very destructive core'' of Cyclone Joy is posing a major threat to communities between Cooktown and Lucinda.

Bitter cold stung most of the nation today as temperatures plunged below freezing from San Francisco to Phoenix to Chicago. The cold front that put the nation into a big chill with the advent of winter thrust farther east... turning rain into an icy shower and making driving hazardous as holiday travelers clogged the country's roadways. The thermometer read ''zero'' in Albuquerque, New Mexico this morning. Elsewhere, the Atlantic Seaboard enjoyed balmy winter weather with temperatures in the 60's.

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#90357u0551 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

DALLAS (DEC. 23) UPI - Former insurance tycoon Robert H. Walker was in jail Sunday after being extradited from Barbados to Texas to face federal charges of defrauding his customers of more than $50 million.

U.S. marshals moved Walker to the Mansfield Law Enforcement Center, south of Fort Worth, after he arrived at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport Saturday.

''There never was any money, anyway,'' Walker said as he left the plane, but did not elaborate. He added he went to Barbados for a vacation but it was ''great to be back in Texas.'' He also extended Christmas greetings.

The former chief executive officer of National County Mutual Fire Insurance Co., Walker fled the country in 1988 as the business began to crumble. The Dallas company's collapse was one of Texas' largest insurance industry failures.

National County Mutual was more than $50 million in debt when it was taken over by the Texas State Board of Insurance in October 1988.

Walker, 60, was arrested on a U.S. warrant citing 29 counts of wire and mail fraud July 4 by Barbados police at the Barbados Beach Village, a resort he owns on the Caribbean island.

An extradition order was granted, but Walker appealed. A high court justice dismissed the appeal Dec. 14, clearing the way for his departure.

If convicted, Walker faces a maximum penalty of 145 years in prison and a $7.25 million fine. He also could be ordered to pay restitution.

Walker also was indicted last week on a 19-count federal indictment that alleges he used millions in company funds for his personal use. He could receive 135 years in prison and $4.25 million fine on those charges.

A federal magistrate in Dallas will determine bail for Walker on Wednesday, said Michael Park, supervisory deputy marshal.

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#90357u0579 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 23) UPI - Eduard Shevardnadze's fears he was to be the latest sacrificial victim of President Mikhail Gorbachev's politics may have affected his decision to resign as foreign minister, lawmakers and Soviet journalists say.

Shevardnadze's feelings he was let down by his one-time patron are so strong that he most likely will never take another job under Gorbachev, the sources said during breaks in the session of the Congress of People's Deputies that began last week.

The observers noted that for the past several months, newspapers were filled with speculation about a new job for Shevardnadze, either as premier to replace Nikolai Ryzhkov or as vice president to fill the new post Congress is expected to create this week.

''Why the hinted change (of posts) when the whole course of foreign policy rested on his shoulders?'' Gudok newspaper reporter Robert Minasov asked. ''You know what (the great German writer) Friedrich Schiller said: 'The Moor has done what he had to do. The Moor can go.'''

Other analysts who follow Soviet politics closely pointed out the irony of Shevardnadze's departure one month after Gorbachev won the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize for ending the Cold War.

Still others asked why Gorbachev sent Presidential Council member Yevgeny Primakov, rumored for weeks to be next foreign minister, on two missions to Iraq in October when Shevardnadze was clearly available to mediate in the gulf crisis by meeting with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

One veteran Soviet wire correspondent noted that Gorbachev got rid of archconservative Yegor Ligachev to win backing from the left in July and fired moderate Interior Minister Vadim Bakatin three weeks ago to appease the right.

The correspondent, who preferred not to be named, noted Ryzhkov's days as premier had been numbered for months as the scapegoat for failed economic plans, but ''Ryzhkov has begun to fight hard'' against being forced to resign in disgrace.

Gorbachev, the correspondent said, was prepared to sacrifice Shevardnadze in order to get needed votes from right-wing lawmakers at the current Congress of People's Deputies to give the president new powers over central ministries and

law-enforcement bodies.

But Shevardnadze pre-empted the move and quit first, capitalizing on his international name and the respect he has won in all capitals of the world, the correspondent said.

Several analysts agreed Shevardnadze was sincere in linking his resignation to fears of a ''reactionary'' dictatorship, but they said his feelings of personal betrayal at Gorbachev's hands also may have impelled him.

Deputies from Shevardnadze's native Georgia advised Western reporters to read his resignation speech closely. They noted the famous diplomat's hints that key officials had failed to come to his defense when he was criticized for ''losing Eastern Europe'' and acquiescing on German unification.

In his dramatic address, Shevardnadze said the issue of German unification was slipped onto the Soviet Parliament's agenda at the insistence of parliament chairman Anatoly Lukyanov, a close Gorbachev ally, while the minister was out of town.

When he returned to Moscow and appeared at the parliament, Shevardnadze said, he was upbraided by conservative critics for ''one- sided concessions, incompetence and even illiteracy.''

''And not one person, even the chairman (Lukyanov) could be found to speak up to them and say that it is indecent, and that is not how things are done in civilized states,'' Shevardnadze said.

''I am deeply hurt,'' he told deputies. ''It has come to personal insults, and I have withstood it. Comrades, a campaign of harassment is going on.''

Shevardnadze's resignation stunned Gorbachev and hurt perestroika's image, with the president himself expressing hurt over his minister's decision taken without consultation.

But Alexander Bovin, one of the the nation's most respected political analysts said although Shevardnadze may have been wrong to quit, Gorbachev acted improperly by watching silently as his friend took mounting abuse.

''This bitter lesson relates also to Gorbachev,'' Bovin wrote in the government newspaper Izvestia. ''Politics is a tough business. There is no place for sentiment. Nevertheless, I believe that the president should have shown more consideration to the feelings and mood of those on his team and his closest aides.''

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#90357u0704 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 23) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney says America is capable of striking- quote- ''today'' to drive Iraqi troops from Kuwait. Cheney told reporters today in Saudi Arabia that ''the clock is ticking'' as the January 15th U-N deadline for the use of force draws near.

A memorial serivice was held today aboard the U-S-S Saratoga for 20 American servicemen who drowned in an Israeli ferry accident within sight of the aircraft carrier Friday night. The ferry capsided in rough seas 200 yards from the ship at Haifa, Israel.

Divers brought up the 20th body this morning, several hours before the memorial service. And Israeli police say another American serviceman is still missing and discovery of his body would bring the death toll to 21... the deadliest of Operation Desert Shield.

In another development, Saratoga Captain Joseph Mobley described as ''totally false'' reports one of the U-S servicemen who died had his hands bound with handcuffs. Mobley said- quote- ''there was NOT a man on that ship who was handcuffed or restrained....''

Hong Kong authorities are investigating the cause of a deadly fire that claimed at least six lives today. Police say 62 people were injured, including at least five who are in poor condition, in the pre- dawn blaze in a nine-story residential building.

Former insurance tycoon Robert Walker is back in Dallas to face federal charges that he defrauded his customers of more than 50-Million dollars. The 60-year-old Walker was extradited from Barbados yesterday. A federal magistrate will determine bail for Walker on Wednesday.

Police in Columbia, Georgia, are closing the book on their investigation of an overdose by the woman whose affair with Atlanta Archbishop Eugene Marino led to his resignation. Police refuse to call Vicki Long's ingestion of 15 anti-anxiety pills Friday night a suicide attempt.

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#90357u0766 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 23) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney warned Saddam Hussein today that- quote- ''the clock is ticking'' for the Iraqi leader to pull his forces out of Kuwait... or he'll be forced out. Cheney's warning comes as prospects grew dimmer for a peaceful solution to the standoff in the Persian Gulf. He told reporters in Cairo there are ''NO indications'' Iraq is prepared to comply with the U-N resolution that it evacuate Kuwait by January 15th.

Sailors aboard the U-S-S Saratoga today held a memorial service for 20 of their mates who drowned in a ferry accident within sight of the aircraft carrier Friday. The ship is anchored one mile off Israel's port city of Haifa,

where the midnight accident occurred. A 12-hundred-man U- S honor guard paid tribute to their colleagues who died when the Israeli ferry capsized in rough seas some 200 yards from the Saratoga. About 100 men were aboard the ferry, returning from a pre-Christmas shore leave in Israel. Sailors today threw an enormous wreath into the water in honor of the dead servicemen.

American officials say the United States should NOT send aid to the financially-troubled Soviet Union if blood is shed in a possible government crackdown in rebellious republics. Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell of Maine said today Congress should nix any financial aid to Moscow if it regresses to its Cold War mentality and uses force to achieve its desired ends. Mitchell's views come as the chairman of the K-G-B warned Soviets to- quote- ''accept the possibility of bloodshed'' to restore order in independence-minded republics.

Costa Rican authorities are cleaning up after yesterday's earthquake that damaged dozens of homes and buildings. No injuries were immediately reported in the midday temblor that shook the country's central region. The quake measured five-point-eight on the open-ended Richter scale. Officials say the town of Puriscal, about 25 miles west of the the capital of San Jose, was among the worst hit.

Bone-chilling weather swept much of the nation today... numbing the Midwest and the Rocky Mountains and threatening to snarl holiday travel. The massive cold front plunged temperatures down as much as 40 degrees and promises a chilly- perhaps even white- yuletide. Wind chills dipped as far as 28 below zero in Illinois and up to six inches of snow blanketed the central part of the state. The mercury dipped to eight degrees in Chicago around midday. At least one weather-related death is reported.

Officials at Chicago's Lincoln Park Zoo say a heart attack or stroke has claimed the life of one of the zoo's favorite attractions. Stanton the 30-year-old orangutan died suddenly yesterday. The 350-pound crowd pleaser had suffered two strokes in the last two years, one of which left him partially paralyzed. The Bornean orangutan came to Chicago in 1974 from the Bronx Zoo in New York.

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#90357u0834 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 23) UPI - Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell predicts Congress will vote on U-S policy in Iraq, including the issue of declaring war, after its return in January from the Christmas recess. But the Maine Democrat says if President Bush decides to declare war on Iraq, he'll have to ask Congress first because the Constitution says only Congress can declare war.

Defense Secretary Cheney says American forces are capable of striking ''today'' to drive Iraqi troops from Kuwait. During a news conference at Saudi

Arabia, Cheney also said prospects for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis are growing dimmer as the January 15th U-N deadline for use of force draws near.

An giant wreath was thrown into the waters off Haifa, Israel, today, in memory of 20 American servicemen who drowned in a ferry accident Friday. The sailors aboard the U-S-S Saratoga paid tribute to their comrades in a memorial service. A 12-hundred-man U-S honor guard stood behind a table draped with 20 American flags and U-S sailors' caps.

Hours before the service, divers brought up the 20th body this morning. And Israeli police said a 21st serviceman is still missing in the deadliest accident involving U-S troops participating in Operation Desert Shield. Both Israel and the United States have launched investigations into the accident.

Several thousand people staged a rally in Moscow today against Soviet President Gorbachev. The pro-democracy activists urged Soviet lawmakers to reject Gorbachev's bid for more presidential powers. The Kremlin leader had an approval rating of 21 in a public opinion poll last month.

Federal officials in Atlanta are urging wider use of pasteurized eggs... instead of raw eggs in the shells... as a way of reducing the increasing number of salmonella outbreaks across the country. The Centers for Disease Control reports there have been fewer outbreaks of salmonella in hospitals and nursing homes that use pasteurized eggs.

For nearly 100 years residents of the tiny Italian island of Alicudi were in the dark. But that's NO longer the case... as electricity has finally arrived, and in time for Christmas. The island about 35 miles north of Sicily became officially hooked into the national power grid this weekend. And all 96 of the island's residents celebrated the historic event.

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#90357u1035 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 23) UPI - Servicemen fired a 21-gun salute with their rifles and taps were played today at a solemn memorial service aboard the U-S-S Saratoga in tribute to 21 sailors who drowned Friday in a midnight ferry accident. The Navy is still searching for the 21st victim.

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Authorities say a Christmas tree caught fire in a home in a Detroit suburb...

setting of a blaze that killed a father and six of his nine children. Officials in Canton township say the father had escaped from the burning home but went back inside to try and rescue his children.

In Hong Kong, authorities don't know what caused a pre-dawn fire in a high-rise residential building that killed at least six people and injured 62 others. It took three hours for firefighters to bring the flames under control.

Rebel leaders in El Salvador today announced a temporary cease-fire. The F-M-L-N rebels promised to refrain from attacks throughout the country on Christmas and New Year's day. But they accuse the government of not following the Christmas spirit by launching major operations against rebel forces.

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(DEC. 23) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney says prospects are dim for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis. And the Pentagon chief warns ''the clock is ticking'' on the January 15th U-N deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait or be forced out. Cheney says U-S troops are capable of striking ''today'' to drive Iraq from Kuwait.

In Washington, Congress is expected to debate U-S policy in the Gulf when it convenes after January 3rd. That's according to Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell. The Maine democrat said today- quote- ''There is NO doubt the Congress will debate, discuss and vote on this issue.''

Texas authorities have reopened the busy freeway between Houston and Louisiana after crews cleaned up a 10-thousand-gallon acid spill. Officials say a tank truck skidded on icy Interstate 10 in Baytown, hit a guardrail and ruptured. The cleanup took eight hours. No injuries were reported.

Philadelphia today set a record that most residents would rather the city not be remembered for. Police say a woman was shot to death in a bar this afternoon... becoming the city's 502nd murder victim of the year. That surpassed last year's record 501 murders. But the total jumped to 505 after three people were found shot to death 20 minutes later.

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#90357u1225 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 23) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney says he's convinced his troops are prepared for war. He told reporters today in Saudi Arabia- quoting now- ''We would be prepared today if we were ordered today to undertake military action.'' Cheney also echoed a remark by President Bush yesterday, saying- ''If there was some clear provocation 10 minutes from now, the allied forces are ready to respond vigorously.''

Rescuers off the coast of Israel today recovered the body of another U-S serviceman. And Navy officials say another is still missing and presumed dead... bringing to 21 the number of Americans who died when a ferry capsized late Friday. The accident occured when 100 servicemen were being transported from Haifa, Israel, to the U-S-S Saratoga. It was the deadliest accident since the United States launched Operation Desert Shield after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

In New York, a federal court jury in Brooklyn today convicted eight people in of running a murderous multi-Million-dollar drug operation that dominated the borough's heroin market in the late 1980's. Ring leader Ricardo Melendez faces a mandatory life sentence in the wide- ranging conspiracy case. After deliberating for six days, the jury acquitted only one of Melendez's eight co-defendants in the violent drug operation. Authorities say the gang racked up sales of eight-Million to 10-Million dollars a month.

Former insurance tycoon Robert Walker is behind bars tonight near Fort Worth. The former chief executive officer of National County Mutual Fire Insurance Company was extradited from Barbados yesterday to face federal charges of defrauding his customers of more than 50-Million dollars. As he left the plane in Dallas, he said- quoting- ''There never was any money, anyway.'' He said he went to Barbados for a vacation.

A fire in a Detroit suburb has left seven members of a family dead. Authorities say the blaze broke out late yesterday in the Canton Township home when a Christmas tree caught fire. Six children and their father were killed. The father had fought his way back inside the burning home in a futile bid to rescue his children, including five- year-old twins.

In Bangladesh, police say 25 people were wounded after rival student groups clashed for a second straight day in the capital of Dhaka and a southern port city with guns and bamboo sticks. The violence erupted yesterday when students from the powerful All-Party Students Unity group defied a strike called by the Islamic Chatra Shibir organization to demand the resignation of a college official.

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#90357u1272 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 23) UPI - Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell says Congress will debate and vote on U-S policy in the Persian Gulf after it returns from the Christmas recess in January. The Democrat from Maine says the debate will include the issue of a war declaration against Iraq. Mitchell contends President Bush wants Congress to pass a resolution giving the executive branch a ''blank check'' for initiating warfare. But he says according to the Constitution, only Congress can declare war.

New York Governor Mario Cuomo says President Bush should follow his example

and slash spending to reduce the federal deficit rather than raise taxes. The Democratic politician says doing so would send the stock market ''through the roof.'' Despite sounding like a presidential candidate, Cuomo continues to deny he is planning a run for the White House. He asked- ''How long will it take for you to come to believe me?''

Radical Catholic priest Jean-Bertrand Aristide was officially proclaimed president-elect of Haiti today. According to a statement read this afternoon by the head of the electoral council, Aristide won 66 percent of the votes cast in last Sunday's election. In a speech aired over nationwide television, Aristide pledged his ''government will help things to change in Haiti.''

Officials in the Yugoslavian republic of Slovenia report a high voter turnout in today's referendum on whether to give the ruling nationalists power to declare independence. Recent public opinion polls indicate the vast majority of registered voters in Yugoslavia's most Westernized republic favor such a move. First results of the balloting are expected later tonight.

Elsewhere, Yugoslavia's largest republic Serbia is conducting the closing round of its first multi-party elections since the end of World War Two. An opposition alliance hopes to prevent the party of Serbia's re-elected communist president from gaining a majority of assembly seats. In neighboring Montenegro, voters are casting ballots in the second round of that republic's presidential election. Results from both republics are expected tomorrow.

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#90357u1496 12/23/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 23) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney is on his way back to Washington... where he is tentatively scheduled to brief President Bush on the outcome of his five-day Saudi Arabian trip tomorrow. Before leaving Saudi Arabia earlier today, Cheney expressed the opinion that prospects for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf risis were growing dimmer as the U-N deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait nears. But he says U-S troops are ready for combat.

Polish President Lech Walesa invited his first guest to the presidential palace today- the man who just vacated it and who also happened to be his former jailer. Walesa met with General Wojciech Jaruzelski, whom the PAP news agency says wished the new president ''success in his mission.'' It was Jaruzelski who jailed Walesa and thousands of others after declaring martial law December 13th, 1981, to crush the Solidarity movement.

Medellin cocaine cartel figure Carlos Lehder Rivas wants the United States to send him and other Colombians in U-S prisons back home to serve out their terms. Lehder's plea for repatriation comes in letters to a Colombian immigrant . NO comment from either the Justice Department or Lehder's attorney. The Colombia drug kingpin was sentenced in May 1988 to life in prison for smuggling more than three tons of cocaine into the United States.

Today was a bloody Sunday in Philadelphia, which became the latest city in America to set a record for murders in one year. Police say a barroom shooting killed a woman, who became the City of Brotherly Love's 502nd murder victim in 1990... surpassing last year's record 501 murders. Soon afterward, three more people were found shot to death. Police say at the current rate, another seven to 10 murders are expected this year.

The Italian island of Alicudi, 35 miles north of Sicily, was hooked into the national power grid this weekend. Italy's state energy company spent four-and-a-half-Million dollars on a 20- kilowatt transformer to bring electric power to the island. The historic event was celebrated by the island's 96 residents. Said one woman- ''At last, we can finally do our washing with machines instead of by hand.''

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#90358b0027 12/24/1990 ~Business Wire

LA HABRA, CA (DEC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Landmark Bancorp of La Habra and Founders National Bank of Brea announced Monday that they have exchanged letters expressing Landmark's interest in acquiring Founders.

The proposed acquisition would be for cash and stock based on Founders' book value 30 days before final acquisition.

The proposed acquisition is subject to several conditions including approval of the respective boards of directors, shareholders and regulatory authorities. Landmark and Founders estimate that the formula would equate to a price of approximately $14.66 per share.

The proposal contemplates that Landmark would pay the acquisition price 45 percent in cash and 55 percent by delivery of Landmark Bancorp's shares of common stock. If the transaction proceeds as expected, the two banks contemplate consummating it about June 30, 1991.

While both sides have expressed enthusiasm for the proposed transaction, both boards caution shareholders that no assurance can be given that the sale will go through.

For further information, contact Robert D. Knogge, president and chief executive officer of Founders National Bank, or Craig D. Collette, president and chief executive officer of Landmark Bancorp and its principal assets, Landmark Bank.

CONTACT: Landmark Bancorp, La Habra
Craig D. Collette, 213/694-6537 or 714/739-1511

-30- 1554
#90358b0031 12/24/1990 ~Business Wire

HAYDEN LAKE, ID (DEC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Transtector Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: TTOR) Monday announced that it has agreed to the extension from Nov. 30, 1990, to April 30, 1991, of the date on which either party to its going Private Agreement and Plan of Merger may terminate the transaction or solicit other transactions regarding a merger or combination.

The company indicated that the extension and delay in the transaction are attributable primarily to current economic conditions, less than expected year-to-date results for the company and cash flow requirements.

The company also announced a net reduction in work force of approximately 10 percent of its employees as well as other reductions in overhead. According to the company, the reductions are due to a change in emphasis of its marketing programs as a result of current economic conditions.

On May 23, 1990, the company announced that it had entered into the Agreement and Plan with a corporation formed by a key management group in order to take the company private. Subsequently, the Agreement was amended to extend the unilateral termination date from Sept. 1 to Nov. 30, 1990. Preliminary documents for the going private transaction were first filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Aug. 6, 1990.

Transtector Systems Inc., since 1967 a leading authority in power disturbance protection, has completed over 400,000 product applications worldwide. The company's products and services include transient suppression systems for individual units to entire facilities, a line of uninterruptible power supply (UPS) systems, and college accredited continuing education programs.

CONTACT: Transtector Systems Inc., Hayden Lake
208/772-8515

-30- 1911
#90358b0063 12/24/1990 ~Business Wire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwest Leasing Corp. Monday mailed an announcement to shareholders of record that pursuant to section 1110(i) of the California Corporations Code Southwest Leasing is to be merged into SW Leasing of California, which currently owns at least 90 percent of the stock of Southwest Leasing.

The merger is to be completed on or after Jan. 23, 1991.

Immediately after the merger, Southwest Leasing's present shareholders, other than SW, will no longer be shareholders of Southwest Leasing, nor will they be shareholders of the surviving corporation, SW Leasing of California. Rather they will receive cash for their shares at the rate of $8 per share.

CONTACT: Southwest Leasing Corp., Los Angeles
Warren D. Axelrod or Martin Kennerly, 213/820-9000

-30- 967
#90358b0607 12/24/1990 ~Business Wire

AMHERST, NY (DEC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Mark IV Industries Inc. (NYSE:IV) Monday announced the acquisition of Vapor Corp., a subsidiary of Brunswick Corp., for $39.5 million cash.

Vapor, with annual sales of $66 million, is the largest manufacturer of door systems for rail, rail transit and bus vehicles in the United States and Canada. In addition, Vapor is a major supplier of fare collection equipment, relays, speed and traction control systems and vehicle locating systems for the public mass transit and rail transportation markets.

Sal H. Alfiero, chairman and chief executive officer of Mark IV, said: ''The purchase of Vapor Corporation is consistent with our stated program to achieve critical mass in certain of our business groups, through acquisition and internal growth. With the addition of Vapor, annual revenue of Mark IV's mass transit and passenger information businesses will be approximately $174 million.

''The product offerings of these businesses include aircraft and and mass transit lighting and related passenger information systems produced in the U.S., Canada and Europe by the Luminator and Luminator-Lawo-Europa divisions; electromagnetic information display systems and components produced by Ferranti-Packard Electronics; traffic signals and controllers manufactured by Automatic Signal and Eagle Signal; large scale reflective traffic displays produced by the Interstate Highway Company; and Vapor's door systems.''

''We are encouraged by the long-term growth opportunities we see in the domestic and international mass transit markets over the balance of the decade and believe that Vapor is well positioned, through its relationships with the major railcar and bus vehicle builders, to effectively serve both North American and European markets.

Vapor employs approximately 800 people in its two manufacturing facilities in Chicago and Montreal.

Mark IV Industries, with headquarters in the Buffalo suburb of Amherst, employs 12,000 people worldwide and is a diversified manufacturer of products in three business segments: Technical Products and Systems, Engineered Products and Systems and Transportation Products and Systems.

CONTACT: Mark IV Industries Inc., Amherst
William P. Montague, 716/689-4972.

-30- 2446
#90358b0610 12/24/1990 ~Business Wire
BELLEVUE, WA (DEC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Aris Corp. (NASDAQ:LMNT) Friday reported completion of the final step of its previously announced debt refinancing.

The transaction, concluded today, refinanced the $21 million remaining portion of a $43.1 million bridge loan due in March 1992. In November, the company had announced the refinancing of approximately $22 million of the bridge loan.

The new financing consists primarily of a 10-year term loan provided by Executive Life Insurance Co., as well as a two-year real estate facility. As part of the entire refinancing package, Executive Life will receive newly issued shares representing approximately 12.45 percent of Aris common stock outstanding.

Aris' sole operating unit is Lamonts Apparel Inc., a Pacific Northwest specialty apparel retailer with 49 stores located in Washington, Oregon, Alaska, Montana, Idaho and Utah. Leonard Snyder, chairman and chief executive officer of Lamonts, said: ''I am extremely pleased that our refinancing has been completed. The new capital structure puts Lamonts in an excellent position to continue expanding its highly successful branded apparel strategy throughout the Western United States.''

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Andrew Giordano, 206/644-5800 or 206/979-3608
or
Corporate Communications Inc., Seattle
Mike Gowrylow, 206/728-1100 or 206/525-5017 (home).

-30- 1568
#90358b0611 12/24/1990 ~Business Wire
LOS ANGELES (DEC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Carolco Pictures Inc. (NYSE:CRC) Monday announced that a preliminary order has been issued by a Los Angeles Superior Court judge in the purported derivative action against the members of the board of directors of Carolco in connection with the purchase of shares of Carolco's common stock from an entity in which Mario Kassar, chairman of the board of directors of Carolco has a substantial interest.

The preliminary order imposed a constructive trust on approximately 2.2 million shares of common stock of Carolco controlled by the Kassar interests.

In the event of any stockholder vote of the company, the shares subject to the constructive trust are to be voted proportionately in the way that all other outstanding shares of common stock of the company are voted, including the

approximately 13 million shares controlled by the Kassar interests which are not subject to the constructive trust.

The preliminary order also requires notice before the board of directors of the company makes any loans or payments, other than pursuant to existing employment arrangements, to Kassar or his affiliated entities. The court indicated that its finding was preliminary and without binding effect.

The transaction at issue was negotiated on an arm's length basis with the independent committee of the board of directors of Carolco and was ultimately approved by the unanimous vote of the disinterested members of the board. The company has received support in this matter from institutional investors and other large stockholders representing a majority of the shares of the company not controlled by the Kassar interests.

The order has no effect on the business, assets, capital or activities of the company or its subsidiaries. Management has believed, and continues to believe, that when all of the facts are reviewed in the appropriate forum, the actions of the board of directors will be seen as appropriate, fair and in the best interest of the company.

CONTACT: Carolco Pictures Inc., Los Angeles
Thomas K. Levine, 213/850-8800 or 213/836-8028 (home).

-30- 2308

#90358b0615 12/24/1990 ~Business Wire

SACRAMENTO, CA (DEC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The Department of Defense has said that it is not prepared to expand Foundation Health Corporation's (AMEX: FH) military healthcare reform program, the CHAMPUS Reform Initiative (CRI), into New Mexico, Arizona and Nevada because it would compete with military-run test projects in two of the states.

The Rand Corporation study preliminary estimates were disclosed in a November meeting of military healthcare officials and is expected to be released soon by the Department of Defense. Rand Corporation also has been retained by the DOD to evaluate the military's alternative model, called Catchment Area Management (CAM), and is slated to release its first report in February. While expressing surprise with the Pentagon's decision, Crowley said the impact would be negligible on Foundation's financial performance, given the slim profit margins of the three-state expansion effort and also the better-than-expected performance in the Company's commercial HMO operations. For a full year, the three-state program had projected revenues of about $100 million. Last year, Foundation reported total revenues of $895 million and net profits of $11 million, approximately one-quarter of which were derived from its military contract.

The Rand Corporation's evaluation of CRI found that the total CRI costs,

including overhead, have risen about five-to-seven times more slowly than CHAMPUS costs elsewhere in the nation. Based upon actuarial estimates that translated into $51 million in annual savings to the government.

The two-year-old CHAMPUS Reform Initiative was authorized by Congress to help determine whether private industry-run managed care could help stem rapid inflation and improve service in the CHAMPUS program, where annual costs have tripled to $4 billion since 1985, with a $1 billion cost overrun predicted for the current year. So far, the CHAMPUS Reform Initiative has enrolled 100,000 members into an HMO-managed care program called ''Prime,'' with another 300,000 using a Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) option called ''Extra.'' ''Prime'' is especially popular with military families because it greatly reduces members' out-of-pocket costs for healthcare while eliminating claim forms and deductibles.

CONTACT: Foundation Health, Sacramento
Christopher Drake, 916/631-5281
by
Investor Access Corporation, New York
Richard M. Newman, 212/692-9060

-30- 2664
#90358b0616 12/24/1990 ~Business Wire
DENVER (DEC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Hallador Petroleum Co. announces that due to a one-day delay in mailing the notice of the ''Special Meeting of Shareholders '' the effective date of the one-for-ten reverse split originally scheduled to occur on Dec. 21, 1990, has been delayed.

The effective date is expected to occur on Dec. 31, 1990, the date on which the new ''Special Meeting of Shareholders'' is planned to be held.

Hallador is an independent oil and gas production company based in Denver. The company's stock trades on the NASDAQ System under the symbol HPET.

CONTACT: Hallador Petroleum Co., Denver
William T. Krieg, 303/839-5504.

-30- 819
#90358b0620 12/24/1990 ~Business Wire
BELLEVILLE, NJ (DEC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Faradyne Electronics Corp. (NASDAQ:FARA), the parent company of Total-Tel USA, announced Monday that net sales for the third quarter ended Oct. 31, 1990, were $3,195,048, compared to $3,267,200 for the same period a year ago.

Earnings from the continuing operations of Total-Tel USA were $226,342, or $.14 per share, compared to $266,080 or $.16 per share for the same quarter

last year. The company's loss from the discontinuation and sale of its Mansol Ceramics division were $31,603, or $.02 per share.

The company said that the slight drop in sales and earnings from continuing operations can be attributed mainly to lower long distance rates driven by intensified competition.

Total-Tel USA is an expanding discount long distance telephone company with established operations in the Northern New Jersey and New York City markets. Total-Tel USA offers a variety of communications services, including mixed-use T-1, fiber-optic FX and nationwide 800 services.

Faradyne Electronics Corp.
Comparative Figures

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31		Nine Months Ended Oct. 31	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net sales (Note 5)	$ 3,195,048	$3,267,200	$9,749,777	$10,047,783
Earnings from continuing operations	226,342	266,080	594,809	988,279
Discontinued operations (Note 6) (Loss) gain from discontinued operations	(26,439)	3,772	(223,292)	(85,211)
(Loss) gain on sale of net assets of the manufacturing division	(5,164)	--	364,656	---
Net earnings	194,739	269,852	736,173	903,068
Earnings per share (Note 7) Earnings from continuing operations	.14	.16	.36	.60
(Loss) earnings from discontinued operations	(.02)	.01	.09	(.05)
Net earnings per share	.12	.17	.45	.55
Number of shares outstanding	1,646,397	1,646,397	1,646,397	1,646,397

CONTACT: Gerald Freeman Inc. Public Relations, Clifton, N.J.
Bruce Maguire or Rick Anguilla, 201/470-0400 or
212/489-8585 (New York)
or
Faradyne Electronics Corp., Belleville
Irving Scheps, 201/759-4667.

-30- 2654

#90358b0623 12/24/1990 ~Business Wire

HAUPPAUGE, NY (DEC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Standard Microsystems Corp.

(NASDAQ:SMSC) announced today that the United States District Court for the Eastern District of N.Y., on Dec. 21, 1990, denied Standard Microsystems' (''SMC'') request for a preliminary injunction in its litigation against Texas Instruments Inc. (''TI'').

The District Court ruled that SMC had not demonstrated sufficient irreparable injury (Injury not compensable by monetary damages) to warrant that preliminary relief. The court did not decide the merits of Standard Microsystems' claims or the Company's right to final injunctive relief or monetary damages. The Court also did not order at this hearing any injunctive relief restraining SMC.

As the Company previously announced, its litigation against TI arises from a dispute with TI concerning the extent to which SMC's rights under its 1976 royalty-free, patent cross licensing agreement can be made available by SMC to third parties.

Standard Microsystems designs, develops, manufactures and sells standard custom and semicustom metal-oxide-semiconductor/very- large-scale-integrated (MOS/VLSI) circuits and systems products (Hardware and Software) for use by original equipment manufacturers and end users. The Company's Component Products Division is focused primarily in the computer peripherals market with applications in Display, Mass Storage and Communication controllers. The Company's System Products Division is a leading producer of local area network products and is the largest manufacturer of ARCNET (R) coax, twisted pair and fiber optic system products.

ARCNET (R) is a registered trademark of the Datapoint Corporation.

CONTACT: Standard Microsystems Corp., Hauppauge
Anthony D'Agostino, 516/273-3100

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#90358b0629 12/24/1990 ~Business Wire

LAGRANGEVILLE, NY (DEC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Command Security Corp. (NASDAQ Symbol: CMMD) said that the U.S. Department of Labor has filed a complaint against the company and its president alleging that between April 1, 1988 and April 1, 1989 the corporation failed to maintain adequate records on certain service employees performing under a government contract and is seeking debarment of the company from the award of government contracts for three years.

The company believes it has a meritorious defense to the complaint and has retained counsel to answer the complaint.

Command Security Corp. provides security services through company-owned offices in New York and Connecticut and provides back-office service

agreements to independent security companies nationwide. Command is the 33rd largest security company in the United States as reported by the Security Letter Source Book 1990-1991.

CONTACT: Command Security Corp., Lagrangeville
Gordon Robinett, 914/454-3703

-30- 1164
#90358b0631 12/24/1990 ~Business Wire

NEWPORT BEACH, CA (DEC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Nationwide Health Properties (NYSE:NHP) announced Monday that it will terminate the leases on two 100-bed Ohio nursing homes and will temporarily take over the operation of those facilities.

The lessee/operator of these facilities, Trinity Living Centers Inc., is unable to meet lease obligations and NHP will terminate the leases under provisions in the lease agreements.

To assure continuous profitable operation of the facilities and to correct certain patient-care deficiencies in one of the facilities recently cited by the Ohio Department of Health, NHP will operate the facilities for an interim period of time.

NHP had received cash deposits under the original lease agreements as security for the costs of such an event and anticipates no material adverse impact to cash flow or earnings nor any change in the company's current dividend policy.

''We are not in the business of operating health care facilities,'' said R. Bruce Andrews, president and chief executive officer, ''but we have the capability to manage these facilities until they are re-leased to a quality, financially sound operator.''

Nationwide Health Properties Inc. is a real estate investment trust that invests in health care facilities. The company currently owns 94 facilities in 23 states.

CONTACT: Nationwide Health Properties Inc., Newport Beach
R. Bruce Andrews, 714/251-1211.

-30- 1608
#90358b0633 12/24/1990 ~Business Wire

MONTVALE, NJ (DEC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. Inc. (NYSE:GAP) announced Monday that Isosceles, TLC, an English company in which it currently holds a 19.9% interest was proceeding with an equity financing that will provide 222 million pounds in new equity and converted debt, as part of a capital restructuring recently approved by the Isosceles

board.

At the present time, A&P does not intend to purchase any shares in the equity offering but intends to vote in favor of the shareholder resolutions authorizing the transaction. Subject to the satisfactory conclusion of the offering, A&P's equity position will be reduced to 6.6% of Isosceles. A&P will retain its directorship on the board of Isosceles.

CONTACT: Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. Inc., Montvale
Michael Rourke, 201/930-4236
or
Creamer Dickson Basford, New York
Dick Tellis, 516/621-1799

-30- 1095
#90358b0676 12/24/1990 ~Business Wire

PROVIDENCE, RI (DEC. 24) BUSINESS WIRE - Old Stone Corp. Monday announced the signing of a definitive agreement to sell the Walla Walla, Wash.-based mortgage servicing operation of Old Stone Mortgage Corp. to Meridian Mortgage Corp., a major mortgage banking company headquartered in Wayne, Pa., and a subsidiary of Reading, Pa.-based Meridian Bank.

The corporation announced an agreement in principle on Dec. 10, 1990. Under the terms of the definitive agreement, Meridian will purchase Old Stone Mortgage Corp.'s $2.5 billion residential mortgage servicing portfolio and the Walla Walla-based servicing operations for an undisclosed price.

The transaction is expected to take effect, after the necessary regulatory approvals, during the first quarter of 1991. The sale does not involve Old Stone Mortgage Corp.'s mortgage origination offices located in six western and midwestern states, which will continue in operation.

Old Stone Mortgage Corp. is a subsidiary of Old Stone Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, the principal subsidary of Old Stone Corp., a $3.7 billion asset financial services company headquartered in Providence. The sale is part of a previously announced restructuring plan.

CONTACT: Old Stone Corp. Providence
Winfield Major, 401/278-2501
Patricia Pyne, 401/278-2371

-30- 1494
#90358c0002 12/24/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:38 that trade in Standard Microsystems Corp.(NASDAQ: SMSC) has been halted pending news. The last sale was 4 1/2. The company is located in Hauppauge, New York.

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#90358c0003 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 9:45 that trade in Warehouse Club Inc.(NASDAQ: WCLB) has been resumed. The first sale was 1 1/4; unchanged from the halt, and from the previous close.

-30- 345
#90358c0004 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:08 that trade in NHI Nelson Holding International LTD. has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The Company is listed on the AMEX, ticker symbol NHI.

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#90358c0005 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 10:20 that trade in Standard Microsystems Corp.(NASDAQ: SMSC) has been resumed. The first sale was 4 1/2; unchanged from the halt, and down 3/8 point from the previous close.

-30- 377
#90358c0006 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 24) COMTEX - The NASD has announced that trade in NHI Nelson Holding International LTD. has been resumed. The company is listed on the American Stock Exchange, ticker symbol NHI. Trading was resumed at 10:44.

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#90358c0007 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 11:19 that trade in Deprenyl Research LTD.(NASDAQ: DEPL) has been halted because of the dissemination of news. The last sale was 9 3/4.

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#90358c0009 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 24) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 12:15 that trade in Deprenyl Research LTD.(NASDAQ: DEPL) has been resumed. The first sale was 10 1/8; up 3/8 point from the halt, and up 1/4 point from the previous close.

-30- 369
#90358c0010 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 6, 1990, W.R. MACALONEY, DIR. OF CERTIFIED GROCERS OF CALIFORNIA LTD. BOUGHT 233 SHARES AT $181.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,445.

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#90358c0011 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 6, 1990, M. NOTRICA, DIR. OF CERTIFIED GROCERS OF CALIFORNIA LTD. BOUGHT 786 SHARES AT $181.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,228.

-30- 326
#90358c0012 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 12, 1990, T.M. HANSON, OFFICER OF ATRIX INTERNATIONAL INC. BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

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#90358c0013 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, E.J. KENNEDY JR, DIR. OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 446 SHARES AT $60.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 546.

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#90358c0014 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, F.W. WEBER, DIR. OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 133 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,731.

-30- 301
#90358c0015 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 10, 1990, P.M. LIMBERT, VP OF WESBANCO INC.(TICKER: WSBC) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,502.

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#90358c0017 12/24/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, J.E. BRENNAN, PRES. OF METRO MOBILE COURTS INC. (TICKER: MMZ), BOUGHT 1,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,371,200.

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#90358c0018 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 7, 1990, S.A. HUCKVALE, VP OF MOOG INC.(TICKER: MOG), BOUGHT 400 CLASS A SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 648.

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#90358c0019 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, D.H. POWELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MOD U KRAF HOMES INC. (TICKER: MODU) BOUGHT 132 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,402.

-30- 335
#90358c0020 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEPT. 6, 1990 TO NOV. 19, 1990, R&W VENTURES II, BEN. OWNER OF DATA DIMENSIONS INC.(TICKER: DDIM) BOUGHT 17,200 SHARES FROM $0.23 TO $0.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 683,867.

-30- 359
#90358c0021 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, D.H. GWYNN, DIR. OF PRINCE GEORGE'S FED SAVINGS BANK (MD) BOUGHT 578 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 578.

-30- 322
#90358c0022 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 14, 1990, A.P. LINTON, VP OF FCNB CORP SOLD 100 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,306.

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#90358c0023 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, FREDERICK M POSES, VP OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), SOLD 11,074 SHARES FROM $26.13 TO $27.50 PER SHARE.

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#90358c0025 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, MARK H BOROFSKY, OFFICER OF BECTON, DICKINSON & CO. (TICKER: BDX), SOLD 332 SHARES AT $72.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,381.

-30- 326
#90358c0026 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, HERBERT D WEISS, PRES. OF BALCHEM CORP. (TICKER: BLCC), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,647.

-30- 298
#90358c0027 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, BURTON N NOAH, DIR. OF BMC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BMC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 300
#90358c0028 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, MICHAEL L FEINBERG, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 30,000.

-30- 319
#90358c0029 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, LAWRENCE M LIEBMAN, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 1,076 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,836.

-30- 319
#90358c0030 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 03, 1990, FREDERIC W YOCUM, DIR. OF BRENCO INC. (TICKER: BREN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 297
#90358c0031 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JAMES F LYONS, DIR. OF BIO VASCULAR INC. (TICKER: BVAS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 305
#90358c0033 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, WILLIAM R TIMMONS JR, DIR. OF CAROLINA FIRST CORP. (TICKER: CAFC), BOUGHT 3,483 SHARES FROM $9.75 TO $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,917.

-30- 351
#90358c0034 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, DONATO F PIZZUTI, DIR. OF CAPITOL BANCORP LTD. (TICKER: CBCL), SOLD 27,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 91,800.

-30- 353
#90358c0035 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, DONATO F PIZZUTI, DIR. OF CAPITOL BANCORP LTD. (TICKER: CBCL), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 354
#90358c0036 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, ARTHUR M TOSCANINI, VP OF CONCURRENT COMPUTER CORP. (TICKER: CCUR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $0.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 329
#90358c0037 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DENNIS W CARROLL, VP OF COLONIAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CGES), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 302
#90358c0038 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, KATHRYN A REAVIS, OFFICER OF COMPRESSION LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: CLIX), SOLD 14,000 SHARES FROM $14.00 TO $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,986.

-30- 370
#90358c0039 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOHN P COLGLAZIER, VP OF CTS CORP. (TICKER: CTS), SOLD 1,370 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1.

-30- 302
#90358c0041 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, CALVIN A CAMPBELL JR, DIR. OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 321
#90358c0042 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 17, 1990, LOUIS B HORWITZ, CHAIRMAN OF DATUM INC. (TICKER: DATM),

BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 167,100.

-30- 308
#90358c0043 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, ALECK M MACKINNON, DIR. OF ENZON INC. (TICKER: ENZN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 300
#90358c0044 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1990, RAY M KEELER, DIR. OF ESSEX CORP. (TICKER: ESEX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.35 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 4,400.

-30- 292
#90358c0045 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAY 23, 1990 TO SEP 12, 1990, WILLIAM C SHANLEY, DIR. OF FIRST EMPIRE STATE CORP. (TICKER: FES), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES FROM $54.05 TO $66.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,100.

-30- 356
#90358c0046 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 17, 1990, RONALD L WALLS, DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 182 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,177.

-30- 331
#90358c0047 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUL 12, 1990 TO NOV 07, 1990, ARTHUR W BIDWELL, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 1,650 SHARES FROM $27.00 TO $45.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,450.

-30- 362
#90358c0049 12/24/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, THOMAS A MCMANMON, DIR. OF GRIFFITH CONSUMERS CO. (TICKER: FUEL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,000.

-30- 328
#90358c0050 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ALFRED A SLIFKA, DIR. OF GRIFFITH CONSUMERS CO. (TICKER: FUEL), BOUGHT 6,250 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 525,250.

-30- 325
#90358c0051 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, RICHARD SLIFKA, DIR. OF GRIFFITH CONSUMERS CO. (TICKER: FUEL), BOUGHT 6,250 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 525,250.

-30- 323
#90358c0052 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, DAVID S ETTER, DIR. OF FULTON FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FULT), BOUGHT 300 SHARES AT $14.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 61,450.

-30- 315
#90358c0053 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, GEORGE F PATTERSON, DIR. OF FULTON FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FULT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,833.

-30- 330
#90358c0054 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 10, 1990, ALLAN WEISSGLASS, DIR. OF GATEWAY BANCORP INC. (TICKER:

GBAN), BOUGHT 987 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,281.

-30- 317
#90358c0055 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, ROBERT B MCDONALD, VP OF GREAT LAKES CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: GLK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES FROM $56.13 TO $57.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,760.

-30- 340
#90358c0057 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 01, 1990 TO AUG 17, 1990, LAWRENCE OLECK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF INFOPAGE INC. (TICKER: CTEK), SOLD 7,500 SHARES FROM $37.50 TO $43.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600,955.

-30- 362
#90358c0058 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, LAWRENCE OLECK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF INFOPAGE INC. (TICKER: CTEK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,000.

-30- 333
#90358c0059 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 01, 1990 TO AUG 17, 1990, THEODORE S OLECK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF INFOPAGE INC. (TICKER: CTEK), SOLD 7,500 SHARES FROM $37.50 TO $43.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600,955.

-30- 367
#90358c0060 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, THEODORE S OLECK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF INFOPAGE INC. (TICKER: CTEK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,000.

-30- 337
#90358c0061 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 29, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, LEE E GRAY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF HMG COURTLAND PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HMG), BOUGHT 900 SHARES FROM $4.88 TO $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,100.

-30- 383
#90358c0062 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, KRUMBEIN FOUNDATION, BEN. OWNER OF HEILIG-MEYERS CO. (TICKER: HMY), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 332
#90358c0063 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1990, DOUGLASS W LIST, DIR. OF HARMON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HRMN), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 305
#90358c0065 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 16, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, DAVID E KAPLAN, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL MOBILE MACHINE CORP. (TICKER: IMMC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,400.

-30- 353
#90358c0066 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, J PHILLIP SAMPER, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 326
#90358c0067 12/24/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 04, 1990, JAMES S BECKWITH III, DIR. OF INTEGRA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: ITGR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 331
#90358c0068 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, SANGWOO AHN, DIR. OF MALLARD COACH CO. (TICKER: MALC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 47,000.

-30- 302
#90358c0069 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, HENRY E GONZALEZ, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,430.

-30- 313
#90358c0070 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 10, 1990, DAVID G MUSGROVE, VP OF MEDEX INC. (TICKER: MDEX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,006.

-30- 295
#90358c0071 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAR 20, 1990 TO MAR 21, 1990, RALPH W PRIES, VP OF MEDIQ INC. (TICKER: MED), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,750.

-30- 310
#90358c0073 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 13, 1990, RAYMOND A MASON, CHAIRMAN OF ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS CORP. (TICKER: NLCO), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 238,500.

-30- 343
#90358c0074 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, WILLIAM TRAW, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NATIONAL TECHNICAL SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: NTSC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,862.

-30- 366
#90358c0075 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, PAUL E POTTER, DIR. OF ORBIT GAS CO (TICKER: OGHS), BOUGHT 1,050 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,052.

-30- 302
#90358c0076 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1990, THOMAS E DAILEY, DIV. OFFICER OF PERINI CORP. (TICKER: PCR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $7.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 15,346.

-30- 316
#90358c0077 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, LOUIS A GOSSETT, VP OF PICCADILLY CAFETERIAS INC. (TICKER: PICC), BOUGHT 1,150 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,853.

-30- 326
#90358c0078 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, DONALD I MORITZ, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 939.

-30- 306
#90358c0079 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 18, 1990, EVERETT H MAYER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PROGRESSIVE BANK INC. (TICKER: PSBK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,000.

-30- 339
#90358c0081 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, RONALD D FISHER, PRES. OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,000.

-30- 330
#90358c0082 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, JACK KAY, DIV. OFFICER OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 352
#90358c0083 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM R HENNESSEY, DIR. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 310 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,400.

-30- 310
#90358c0084 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 19, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, VICTOR SIEGEL, DIR. OF REPUBLIC SAVINGS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RSFC), BOUGHT 13,520 SHARES FROM $1.63 TO $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 99,820.

-30- 368
#90358c0085 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 11, 1988 TO NOV 29, 1990, VICTOR SIEGEL, DIR. OF REPUBLIC SAVINGS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RSFC), BOUGHT 26,780 SHARES FROM $1.63 TO $3.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,380.

-30- 370
#90358c0086 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JULIUS MARKS, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,456.

-30- 327
#90358c0087 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 12, 1990, JOHN W DAVIS III, DIR. OF SALEM CARPET MILLS INC. (TICKER: SLCR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,186.

-30- 324
#90358c0089 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, KENNETH A ANDERSON, VP OF SUNRISE BANCORP INC.(KY) (TICKER: SRSL), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 323
#90358c0090 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC 03, 1990 TO DEC 06, 1990, AVERY J STONE, DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), SOLD 113,100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 957,394.

-30- 352
#90358c0091 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, JEROME H STONE, BEN. OWNER OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,392,903.

-30- 333
#90358c0092 12/24/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, MELODYE A STOCK, BEN. OWNER OF SUMMIT HEALTH LTD. (TICKER: SUMH), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 318
#90358c0093 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, JOHN L BOYLE, VP OF ST IVES LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: SWIS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,900.

-30- 312
#90358c0094 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 11, 1990, RONALD P MARCONET, VP OF ST IVES LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: SWIS), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,900.

-30- 327
#90358c0095 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, WILLIAM MCCULLOCH, OFFICER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES FROM $15.13 TO $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90358c0097 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 05, 1990, JERROLD B HARRIS, PRES. OF VWR CORP. (TICKER: VWRX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,549.

-30- 293
#90358c0098 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, R DAVID THOMAS, CHAIRMAN OF WENDY'S INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: WEN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 885,731.

-30- 326
#90358c0099 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, HENRY L DIAMOND, DIR. OF WESTON (ROY F.) INC. (TICKER: WSTN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 318
#90358c0100 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

MCA (TICKER: MCA) announced on Dec. 20, 1990 that a federal district court has denied the motion by Go-Video for a temporary restraining order against the proposed acquisition.

-30- 408
#90358c0101 12/24/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Glb Rwe-Dea Aktiengesellschaft Fur Mineraloel Und Chemie announced on Dec. 21, 1990 that they have received notice from the US Dept. of Transportation that they are not required to have the approval of the Secretary of Transportation for the proposed merger.

-30- 498
#90358c0102 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.A. REEVES JR. OWNS 1,145,998 SHARES (14.80%) OF TEXAS MERIDIAN RESOURCES LTD.(TICKER: TMR) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Upon the merger of Texas Meridian Resources Ltd. and Texas Meridian Production Co. Ltd. on Dec. 18, 1990, J.A. Reeves Jr. received 12,538 common shares in exchange for 62,690 common units and 714,000 class B common warrants in exchange for 3,570,000 class B warrants.

PURPOSE:

For investment and to gain a voice as a director.

-30- 685
#90358c0103 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M.J. MAYELL OWNS 1,145,998 SHARES (14.80%) OF TEXAS MERIDAN RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: TMR) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Upon the merger of Texas Meridan Resources Ltd. and Texas Meridian Production Co. Ltd. on Dec. 18, 1990, M.J. Mayell received 12,538 common shares in exchange for 62,690 common units and 714,000 class B common warrants in exchange for 3,570,000 class B warrants.

PURPOSE:

For investment and to gain a voice as a director.

-30- 674
#90358c0105 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY FIRST ENTERPRISE GROUP INC. OWNS 43,000 SHARES (4.20%) OF HAMPTON UTILITIES TRUST (TICKER: HU) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

First Enterprise Group Inc. sold 112,000 shares from Oct. 4 to Nov. 12, 1990 for $8.56 to $10.18 per share.

-30- 473
#90358c0113 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 3,450,000 SHARES (7.00%) OF MATTEL INC.(TICKER: MAT) OF HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Decrease in number of shares held.

-30- 452
#90358c0114 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 1,166,100 SHARES (6.10%) OF FERRO CORP.(TICKER: FOE) OF CLEVELAND, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Increase in number of shares held.

-30- 446
#90358c0115 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS 1,187,300 SHARES (6.50%) OF PANSOPHIC SYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: PNS) OF LISLE, ILLINOIS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

PURPOSE:

Increase in number of shares held.

-30- 454
#90358c0116 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

J.D. KNOX OWNS 1,218,000 SHARES (28.23%) OF SIXX HOLDINGS INC.(TICKER: SIXX) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.D. Knox bought 87,853 shares between Dec. 10 and Dec. 11, 1990 for $.50 to $.52 each. Knox received a 65-share gift on Dec. 11.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 477
#90358c0117 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY FIRST SAVE ASSOC. LP. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 149,500 SHARES (4.30%) OF WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP.(TICKER: WBST) OF WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 10, 1990, First Save Assoc. LP., et al. sold 20,000 shares at $5.38 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 498
#90358c0118 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

CENTOCOR INC. OF MALVERN, PENNSYLVANIA OWNS 9,096,544 SHARES (58.40%) OF INVITRON CORP.(TICKER: INVN) OF ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 12, 1990, Monsanto Co. agreed to vote its company shares in favor of Centocor's purchase of company assets located in St. Louis County, Mo. In addition, Monsanto granted Centocor an option to purchase $14 million principal amount of company debentures, which are convertible into 1,352,657 common shares, plus a $2 million note. Centocor's option to purchase the debt does not include the right to convert the debentures. At the closing of the transaction, Centocor will pay Monsanto $2.8 million cash and immediately will pay $3.2 million cash to the company for the assets, forgive the debt and discharge the security interest in the assets. The sale of the assets must be approved by Invitron shareholders.

PURPOSE:

Asset purchase agreement.

-30- 1118
#90358c0120 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The tender offer for Barden (TICKER: BARD) shares terminated on Dec. 20 and on Dec. 21, 1990, FAG Finance Corp. was merged into Barden. The company is now a subsidiary of FAG Bearings.

-30- 381
#90358c0122 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY SCOTTISH AMICABLE INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD. OWNS 628,000 SHARES (6.50%) OF GREENERY REHABILITATION GROUP INC.(TICKER: GRGI) OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Scottish Amicable Investment LTD. bought 236,300 shares at $4.66 to $6.39 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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#90358c0123 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY S.L. MOFFITT OWNS 9,130 SHARES (5.81%) OF HERITAGE FINANCIAL OF BOONE, IOWA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

S.L. Moffitt, et al. acquired their shares upon the reorganization of Hawkeye Federal Savings Bank into the holding form of ownership with Heritage Financial as the parent company. The common stock of Hawkeye was exchanged on a one for one basis for Heritage Financial's common.

PURPOSE:

Reorganization.

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#90358c0124 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY J.M. DAVIS OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 4,935,476 SHARES (54.50%) OF MARTINEZ & MURPHEY INC.(TICKER: MTZM) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 7, 1990, Davis gifted 1,893,362 shares to Ms. Davidowitz.

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#90358c0125 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GROUP LED BY J.M. DAVIS OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 4,242,057 SHARES (23.20%) OF INTERNEURON PHARMACEUTICALS INC.(TICKER: IPIC) OF LEXINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Aug. 22, 1990, Davis, on behalf of Blair, and Rosalind Davidowitz, on behalf of the Morton Foundation, gave irrevocable proxies to Richard Wurtman, MD until April 23, 1991 to vote all their shares owned as of Aug. 22, 1990 and any shares or securities acquired during the proxy term. The proxies do not apply to stock held in connection with Blair's market-making activities. On Nov. 7 and 28, 1990, Davis and Davidowitz gave proxies to Wurtman until April 23, 1991 for any shares owned or acquired.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 7 to Dec. 10, 1990, J.M. Davis, et al. purchased 29,000 shares for $1.56 to $1.81 per share, purchased 16,760 class A warrants for $.50 to $.59 per share and purchased 23,900 units for $6.50 to $7.13 per share.

-30- 1145
#90358c0126 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY R.J. AVILA OWNS 309,500 SHARES (9.50%) OF LEISURE CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: LCIC) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Dec. 5 through 18, 1990, R.J. Avila, et al. purchased 34,000 shares at a price of $2.27 to $2.43 per share.

-30- 462
#90358c0127 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY MINORCO OF LUXEMBOURG, GERMANY OWNS 14,517,845 SHARES (47.65%) OF ADOBE RESOURCES CORP.(TICKER: ADB) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result of the redemption and merger on Dec. 20, 1990, Minorco USA

acquired direct beneficial ownership of 9,783,361 shares of Adobe Resources common stock. Also, on Dec. 20, 1990, Danville was merged with and into Minorco USA pursuant to an agreement and plan of merger dated Dec. 20, 1990.

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#90358c0129 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 11, 1990, Fund American Cos Inc., et al. sold an undisclosed number of shares of Freeport MCMoran Inc.(TICKER: FTX) to Freeport McMoran Inc. for the total purchase price of $263,352,875.00 ($34.75 per share).

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares

-30- 467
#90358c0130 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

GROUP LED BY KUWAM CORP. OF WASHINGTON, D.C. OWNS 383,500 SHARES (18.30%) OF PRISM ENTERTAINMENT CORP.(TICKER: PRZ) OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 2, 1990 through Dec. 14, 1990, Kuwam Corp., et al. purchased 65,500 shares at a price of $1.50 to $2.31 per share and sold 17,000 shares at a price of $1.50 to $1.63 per share.

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#90358c0131 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY R.J. AVILA OWNS 309,500 SHARES (9.50%) OF LEISURE CONCEPTS INC. (TICKER: LCIC) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Dec. 5 through 18, 1990, R.J. Avila, et al. purchased 34,000 shares at a price of $2.27 to $2.43 per share.

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#90358c0132 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

GROUP LED BY MINORCO OF LUXEMBOURG, GERMANY OWNS 14,517,845 SHARES (47.65%) OF ADOBE RESOURCES CORP.(TICKER: ADB) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As a result of the redemption and merger on Dec. 20, 1990, Minorco USA acquired direct beneficial ownership of 9,783,361 shares of Adobe Resources common stock. Also, on Dec. 20, 1990, Danville was merged with and into Minorco USA pursuant to an agreement and plan of merger dated Dec. 20, 1990.

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#90358c0133 12/24/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY KUWAM CORP. OF WASHINGTON, D.C. OWNS 506,100 SHARES (11.80%) OF STUARTS DEPT. STORES INC.(TICKER: STUS) OF HOPKINTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Dec. 5 through 12, 1990, Kuwam Corp., et al. purchased 50,000 shares at an aggregate price of $40,819.80.

-30- 496
#90358d4670 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 24) - Japan and the Soviet Union Monday agreed here on 1991 fishing quotas in their respective 200-mile economic sea zones of 182,000 tonnes, unchanged from this year, Japanese officials said.

Under the accord, Japanese fishing boats are allowed to catch that amount in waters off the Soviet Pacific coast without paying fishing fees, they said,

adding Japanese fishermen are to pay 1.12 billion yen (8.6 million dollars) in fees to catch an additional 35,000 tonnes in the Soviet zone.

During the talks, which got under way on December 10, Japan also agreed to allow Soviet fishing boats to call at Onahama Port in Fukushima Prefecture, 200 kilometers (160 miles) northeast of Tokyo, next year for supplies and to rest their crews, they said.

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#90358d4980 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SYDNEY (DEC. 24) - Tropical cyclone Joy hovered 115 kilometres (70 miles) off the north Australia tourist centre of Cairns Monday, its 200 kilometres per hour (125 miles per hour) winds threatening long stretches of the Australian coastline.

"This is a very severe cyclone with an extremely destructive core, but it is moving only very slowly south," a spokesman for Queensland's State Counter Disaster Oranisation said.

"Destructive winds are being experienced along the coast and could extend as far south as Townsville overnight.

"Winds up to 200 kph (124 mph) extend in a radius of 140 kms (87 miles) from the core.

"Sea levels are expected to exceed high water mark and very rough seas and foreshore flooding are expected overnight," the spokesman said.

There has been widespread disruption of supplies of electricity and water and residents of affected coastal areas have been advised to remain indoors.

Cairns police said looters had broken into business premises, according to local media reports.

"It is despicable and will not be tolerated," said Cairns mayor John Cleland after two men had reportedly been arrested following an attempted break-in at a chemist's shop.

Cyclone Joy's appearance is an uncanny flashback to Christmas Eve 1975 when Cyclone Tracy was poised off the northern coastal city of Darwin.

The following day it ripped through the city, destroying half the structures and killing more than 60 people.

-30- 1646

#90358d5100 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (DEC. 24) - Jordan's Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, Nasser Bataineh, returned to Riyadh last week three months after he was recalled to protest

Saudi Arabia's expulsion of Jordanian diplomats, Foreign Minister Marwan al-Qassem said Monday.

"Our ambassador has been in Saudi Arabia for the last four days," Mr. Qassem told the English-language daily Jordan Times. "Bataineh was recalled to Amman for consultations."

Jordan recalled its envoy from Riyadh on September 25 as bilateral relations soured following Amman's criticisms of the deployment of foreign troops in the Gulf region following Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

On October 6, Saudi Arabia retaliated by recalling its ambassador to Jordan, Mohammad Issa.

Mr. Issa has not yet returned to his post in Amman, Jordanian foreign ministry sources told Agence France-Presse.

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#90358d5110 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC. 24) - Around 40 bus passengers escaped uninjured when a petrol bomb crashed through the vehicle's windscreen in east Jerusalem on Monday, police said.

Police were hunting the attackers.

Meanwhile, two Palestinians were jailed for 13 years by a military court on Sunday for a petrol bomb attack on an Israeli car in east Jerusalem.

An off-duty policeman was seriously burned in the attack in September last year.

-30- 622

#90358d5150 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BONN (DEC. 24) - The Soviet Union has asked Germany for a loan of two billion Deutsche marks (1.3 billion U.S. dollars) so it can repay debts to German commercial firms, the financial daily Handelsblatt reported on Monday.

The paper said it had the information from the economic commission in charge of relations with countries of eastern Europe.

Last summer, the Soviet Union obtained a German loan, guaranteed by the government, of five billion marks (3.3 billion dollars) which it used to honour unpaid debts. Since then however, Moscow has run up a new debt of 1.5 billion marks (one billion dollars), Handelsblatt said.

The report said German bankers now wanted the government to guarantee this

latest line of credit even though the condition was not initially included in the terms.

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#90358d5160 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (DEC. 24) - Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein has said Turkish President Turgut Ozal would be ''welcome'' to visit Baghdad, in what is being seen in Turkey as a veiled call for mediation.

The semi-official Anatolian News Agency reported Monday that the Iraqi president made the remarks Sunday night when he met reporters covering the visit of Turkish opposition leader Erdal Inonu.

Asked about the chances of war after the expiry of the January 15 deadline set for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, Saddam said those who wanted war were the U.S., its allies and ''local traitors''. ''God and peoples want peace'', he said.

Saddam said Iraq wanted a dialogue but was prepared to fight until ''victory''. A peaceful settlement should be regionwide and include an Israeli withdrawal from the occupied territories where a Palestinian state would be formed, he said.

The Iraqi leader conceded that the U.N. embargo had had some effects and that children were dying because of shortages of food and medicine. But he said the Iraqi people would not bend to pressure.

Saddam rejectd a call by Inonu for a simultaneous withdrawal of Iraqi and U.S. forces, saying: ''Why should we pay a price for the departure of U.S. troops from the holy land?'' dpa ms 241043 Dez 90

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#90358d5230 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JAKARTA (DEC. 24) - Foreign investment in Indonesia in 1990 soared to an all-time record of 8.7 billion dollars, largely in response to the government's deregulatory measures of recent years, officials announced Monday.

The figure of foreign investment approvals represented an 85 per cent increase over last year's 4.7 billion dollars, a record at the time.

"It's been a very good year for investment in Indonesia," said Sanyoto Sastrowardoyo, chairman of the National Investment Coordinating Board (BKPM) which licenses domestic and foreign investment outside the oil, gas, banking, leasing, and insurance sectors.

Of the 8.7 billion dollar of foreign investment approved, 1.98 billion was for

the chemical industry, 1.09 billion for the textile and garment sector and 826 million dollars for the hotel industry, Mr. Sanyoto said.

Indonesian investment regulations require foreign investors to form joint ventures with Indonesian companies, to limit their equity holding to a maximim 80 per cent, and to divest their shares to give the local partners a controlling majority after 15 years of commercial operation.

Japan topped the list in terms of value with 75 projects worth 2.23 billion dollars approved, followed by Hong Kong with 36 projects worth 993 million dollars, according to BKPM.

South Korea ranked third with investment of 721 million dollars for 85 projects and Taiwan fourth with 616 million dollars for 93 projects.

-30- 1643

#90358d5250 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 24) - A top Chinese communist party hardliner lashed out Monday at bourgeois influences, declaring just ahead of a decisive party plenum that the fight against anti-Marxist elements would be long and "very intense."

Li Ximing, one of 14 politburo members and a key figure in crushing pro-democracy protests here last year, said in a published article that China should guard against the forces toppling other socialist states.

"In the world today, there still exist two opposing classes, the proletariat and the bourgeoisie, as well as an ideological battle between Marxism and anti-Marxism," he said in the front-page article in Guangming Daily, regarded as the intellectual's newspaper.

"Such a battle ... is very complicated, very intense and long-term," Mr. Li warned.

The harsh rhetoric comes ahead of this week's crucial eighth plenum of the party central committee, which will lay out the blueprint for the next decade of China's economic development, including the five-year plan from 1991-1995.

The plenum had been planned for earlier this year but was delayed, apparently due to strong differences within the party.

"We must also criticize the hypocrisy and false nature of bourgeois freedom,

democracy, and human rights," said Mr. Li, a former colleague of conservative Premier Li Peng in the ministry of the electric power industry.

He stressed the need to analyze the forces that led to the downfall of some socialist countries -- a reference to Eastern Europe -- and called for "high

vigilance" against this so-called "peaceful evolution."

-30- 1798
#90358d5270 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
CAIRO (DEC. 24) - Exceptional security measures have been enforced at the Suez Canal to protect ships crossing the waterway in anticipation of a possible Gulf war, said Mohammad Ezzat Adel, president of the Canal Authority, in a report published Monday.

Quoted by the semi-official daily Al Ahram, Mr. Adel said the measures were being taken by Egypt's security services "in cooperation with foreign security services", which he did not name.

He said "the dangers to which the canal is exposed, increase with the growing possibility of war in the Gulf."

He was referring to the rise in tension which has accompanied a war of words between Washington and Baghdad and the stalling of talks to resolve the crisis sparked by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Security forces are conducting careful search operations with electronic devices of all vessels crossing the canal and are maintaining a 24-hour watch on the waterway's two banks, Mr. Adel said.

The director also denied press reports that the Canal Authority had been tipped off about a plan to sink cement-laden vessels to block passage through the canal of ships supplying the multinational forces massed against Iraq in the Gulf.

-30- 1399
#90358d5430 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JAKARTA (DEC. 24) - Bank Indonesia on Monday charged foul play behind a series of runs on several commercial banks and appealed to the public not to be taken in by rumours, the official Antara news agency said.

Rumours that a number of banks were having financial difficulties had led some people to withdraw their deposits from the banks, Antara quoted Dahlan Sutalaksana, a Bank Indonesia (central bank) spokesman, as saying.

Mr. Dahlan said he suspected that these rumours were floated in the expectation that people would transfer their money to other banks, adding that this reflected unhealthy competition in the banking industry.

"But if everyone is taken in by the rumours and withdraws their money, then the bank will really have problems," Mr. Dahlan said, adding that this could happen to any bank, even those run by the state.

He did not say which banks had been affected by massive withdrawals.

The rumours spread after Bank Umum Majapahit Jaya, a small commercial bank, collapsed this month owing more than 80 billion rupiahs (42 million dollars) to other banks, threatening to bring them down unless it was rescued.

The government has refused to intervene in the affair directly, but is believed to have been seeking new investors or other banks to take over.

-30- 1485

#90358d5530 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 24) - Nigerian Minister of External Affairs, retired major general Ike Nwachukwu, at the weekend in Monrovia donated 15,000 dollars to the West African intervention force (ECOMOG) in Liberia, independent "Vanguard" newspaper reported here Monday.

Gen. Nwachukwu, who visited ECOMOG headquaters in Monrovia at the end of the ministerial meeting of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) mediation committee in Banjul, commended the performance of the 6,000-strong peace-keeping force saying it was proof that Black Africa could resolve its own problems.

While fulfilling their assignment in Liberia, the minister urged the troops not to tarnish the image of ECOMOG their respective countries and Africa, Vanguard said.

ECOMOG composed of troops from Nigeria, Ghana, Sierra Leone, Gambia and Guinea arrived in Liberia last August at the hight of the one-year-long war.

The minister, who was received at ECOMOG headquarters by the Vice President of the Liberian interim government, Bishop Diggs and Ecomog field commander,

Major General Joshua Dogonyaro, also visited the Nigerian embassy in Monrovia to see the extensive damage done to the building, the report said.

-30- 1388

#90358d5590 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (DEC. 24) - Nepal's Election Commission called Monday on all political parties and groups seeking to run in April's scheduled general elections to register within a month.

The commission said in a statement that it would withhold recognition from parties or groups formed along religious, caste or tribal lines or seeking to sow discontent. Any party disavowing the norms of Nepal's constitutional democracy would also be refused recognition.

The panel said all parties should register within 30 days, providing their organizational bylaws and the names and addresses of executive committee members.

Under the new constitution proclaimed by King Birendra on November 9, at least five per cent of the total number of candidates contesting from any party must be women.

The new constitution was promulgated after an interim government was formed in April following a 10-week protest campaign led to the downfall of the 30-year partyless Panchayat system.

-30- 1146

#90358d5650 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HAMBURG, GERMANY (DEC. 24) - German retail sales for year-end holidays are up by 15 per cent this year from the same period last year, the German Retail Trade Federation (HDE) announced here on Monday.

It said it estimated "Christmas sales" for western Germany at 25.5 billion Deutsche marks (17 billion dollars), while for the former East Germany they are expected to be only 1.5 billion marks.

HDE expects German retail sales this year to enjoy their biggest increase ever to around 700 billion marks as against 623.6 billion last year.

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#90358d5700 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 24) - The Labor Ministry reported Monday that industrial employment dipped by 0.1 per cent in the year's third quarter, according to final results of a quarterly survey of industry and job conditions.

At the same time, the number of job-holders rose by 0.6 per cent in the services sector, and employment as a whole rose by 0.3 per cent for all non-farm market sectors taken together, it said.

The data confirm reports of a general slowdown of job growth, which had reached 0.6 and 0.4 per cent in the previous two quarters.

The ministry noted that the dip in industrial employment had occurred "under conditions of lower economic growth", and was due to a "trend reversal in the manufacturing sectors" (in which employment fell by 0.1 per cent, following a 0.2 per cent rise the previous quarter).

Workers employed in consumer goods industries were down by 0.5 per cent in the quarter, while they increased by 0.2 per cent in capital goods (against a rise

of 0.4 per cent in that sector in the second quarter). There was no change in jobs in intermediate goods.

The survey showed a 0.9 per cent in the average industrial wage in the third quarter, making a 5.1 per cent rise year-on-year and a "gain of 1.2 per cent in purchasing power" for the year.

But purchasing power declined by 0.8 per cent in the third quarter, the study showed.

-30- 1566

#90358d5740 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (DEC. 24) - African National Congress President Oliver Tambo met President Frederik de Klerk for the first time here Monday, proclaiming the meeting and his return to South Africa "the greatest Christmas present."

Back home 11 days after a 30-year exile, the ailing Mr. Tambo had one hour of general talks with Mr. De Klerk and Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok in what a joint statement afterwards called a "courtesy visit."

"The hope was expressed that 1991 will bring about more real progress towards peaceful solutions," and that "violence and intimidation should come to an end in order to enable proper negotiations to start," the statement said.

Mr. Tambo, 73, severely weakened by a stroke in the Zambian capital Lusaka in August last year, could not descend the steps of the president's office in the administrative Union Buildings for customary photographs.

He reiterated that he would have to leave mid-January for further medical treatment, but said his hopes were that South Africa would have a "full recovery from apartheid" by next Christmas.

"We have no expectation at all that next December we shall be in the same position as we are," he said, flanked by his wife Adelaide and ANC executive members Joe Nhlanhla and Jacob Zuma.

-30- 1475

#90358d5770 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRETORIA (DEC. 24) - The expectation of a poor South African grain harvest worsened Monday with the Wheat Board's estimate of a 3.8 per cent decline in wheat production this year over last.

The fourth quarter estimate up to the end of November was 1.927 million tonnes down from 2.003 million last year.

With December rains in the grain belt too little and too late, the Maize Board

has already predicted a worst-case scenario of six million tonnes, one million tonnes short of the amount needed for domestic consumption in a country where maize is the staple food for most people.

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#90358d5900 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COVENTRY (DEC. 24) - The surprise buyout of British luxury car manufacturer Jaguar by the giant American Ford concern a year ago sent a shockwave rippling through the workforce.

The trade unions saw the move as sounding the death knell for the prestigious carmaker. To sell Jaguars from the showrooms of regular Ford dealers would mark the end of end of a British tradition, they protested.

During the course of the year, Jaguar employees have revised their opinion. ''We take it all back, in this economic climate we would not have survived if we didn't have Ford behind us,'' said John Halford, a trade union representative at Jaguar's factory in the central English city of Coventry.

At the same time, the U.S. concern gained the confidence of the Jaguar workers by assuring them that the company placed great store on retaining the luxury saloon maker's independence. For the time being at least, Jaguar would remain a largely British affair, they said.

Despite being in the hands of Ford, Jaguar has just been through a difficult year. The recession in Britain and in the United States -its second-largest market - has noticeably depressed the market for luxury cars. Only 42,000 Jaguars were sold around the world this year, 5,000 fewer than in 1989.

The Jaguar takeover appears to have been conceived by Ford as part of a lucrative long-term investment. Ford wanted to secure for itself one of the last luxury marques and was prepared to pay 1.6 billion pounds sterling for the privilege.

-30- 1709

#90358d6040 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BETHLEHEM (DEC. 24) - Bethlehem's Mayor Elias Fredsh said Monday the city of Jesus Christ's birth was beginning to celebrate ''the bleakest Christmas we've ever had''.

The Palestinian uprising (intifada) and Gulf crisis were expected to hold attendance at religious services - including the famous Midnight Mass at the Church of the Nativity - to a few thousand.

As in 1989, Christian churches here and in Jerusalem have cancelled all receptions. In solidarity with the intifada, Bethlehem is also doing without

traditional Christmas decorations and lights this year.

On the afternoon of Christmas Eve, only a few dozen tourists appeared on the square in front of the Church of the Nativity, which was heavily guarded by Israeli soldiers.

An Israeli police band tried in vain to create to strike up some festive spirit by playing Christmas songs and Handel's ''Hallelujah''. A cold wind and rain added to general gloom.

All shops in the city remained closed because of a protest strike called by the Islamic underground organisation Hamas.

Arabs stayed at home while Israeli occupation forces and police posted at roadblocks only allowed cars having special permission to pass.

-30- 1386
#90358d6070 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (DEC. 24) - Government troops and rebels clashed in the Somali capital of Mogadishu Sunday in some of the worst fighting seen for years, the British Broadcasting Corporation (Bbc) reported here Monday.

The shooting close to the old cattle market in the city lasted several hours, according to a Somali government statement.

City residents said they had seen the bodies of many uniformed men in the street but no official casualty figure was issued.

A government spokesman said 17 ''armed bandits'' - the expression normally used by officials to describe the country's rebels - had been arrested.

Rebels seeking the overthrow of president Mohamed Siad Barre's military government have increasingly managed to penetrate the suburbs of Mogadishu in recent weeks.

Very few foreign nationals were said to be still living in the Somali capital after most were advised by their ambassadors to leave the city.

-30- 1112
#90358d6090 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 24) - The Soviet central bank on Monday publicly warned foreign companies working with Soviet firms and institutions not to accept payments in rubles, Soviet news agency TASS reported.

It said the bank had noted "a multiplication of payment documents (such as checks and letters of guarantee) denominated in rubles issued by Soviet banks

or companies to totals of tens of millions of rubles, saying they were guaranteed by the central bank".

The central bank said that neither it nor the finance ministry had offered such guarantees, and the majority of such undertakings were not backed by assets able to constitute a guarantee.

The bank also noted that some counterfeit ruble checks were circulating abroad saying the persons accepting them risked "falling victim to their own credulity".

It also denounced the existence in some contracts of a ruble exchange rate deliberately reduced from the official commercial level. That is illegal and will be prosecuted, it said.

The bank said foreign firms took advantage of such arrangements to obtain more Soviet products or raw materials to export them, thereby harming the economy.

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#90358d6140 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC. 24) - Israel warned Iraq Monday of quick and decisive reprisals if President Saddam Hussein carried out a threat to make Tel Aviv his first target in a Gulf war.

"If Saddam Hussein carries out his threats, he'll pay dearly," Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said. "We're used to threats. They don't scare us, but we take them very seriously," he added.

Mr. Shamir's spokesman, Avi Pazner, told Agence France-Presse: "We're ready to defend ourselves. It's not the first time Saddam Hussein tries to tie us to the Gulf crisis and we're ready for all eventualities."

In pre-released extracts from an interview with Spanish television, to be screened Wednesday, Mr. Hussein said Iraq would attack Tel Aviv even if Israeli troops took no part in an offensive against Iraq.

Defense Minister Moshe Arens said on Israeli radio that the country's army "is on an alert, ready for anything. Saddam Hussein's ability to harm Israel is very limited," he said.

An Israeli military official said Iraq was doing its utmost to drag the Israel into a war. Iraq wants to link the Gulf crisis, sparked by its own invasion of Kuwait on August 2, to the Arab-Israeli conflict.

The official, quoted by the radio, said that as soon as war breaks out -- a prospect he considered inevitable -- "Saddam won't hesitate to launch his missiles on Israel's major population areas and strategic locations."

"Ours will be a lightning response," he added.

A senior defense ministry official, who declined to be identified, said the Israeli army was keeping "a permanent, watchful eye over Iraq's missile batteries and is observing their deployment with the greatest attention."

He said Iraq had already positioned missile batteries at strategic points along its border with Jordan.

Foreign Minister David Levy on Monday warned Jordan not to allow foreign forces to overfly its air space and to threaten Israel.

He said "Jordan should not permit an adventurer to use its territory or its air space to threaten Israel. Respect of this principle is a guarantee of Jordanian security."

Mr. Levy said the message had been clearly conveyed through various channels, adding that Israel had no aggressive intent toward Jordan and wanted Jordanian stability maintained.

Israeli military experts believe Mr. Hussein is trying to play for time until March 1991, in the hope that Arab countries backing the U.S.-led multinational force massed against him would reject fighting Baghdad during the Moslem holy fasting month of Ramadan which begins in mid-March.

"Saddam has his back against the wall. An attack against Israel can only aggravate the situation," said an expert quoted in the press Monday.

Israeli television, citing military sources, said Iraq could launch an attack against Israel before January 15, the deadline set by a United Nations Security Council resolution for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

In Amman, Jordan's Foreign Minister Marwan al-Qassem said the continued threat of the use of force would only invite a reaction consolidating an eventual outbreak of hostilities.

"The Iraqi leadership and people feel that war is inevitable because the other (party) has made it look like there is no way out but force, and violence just breeds violence," he told Jordan Times English-language daily.

Mr. al-Qassem said the United States would lose many of its interests as well as those of its allies and friends in the region if war breaks out.

He said if Washington wanted Iraq to understand the international community's position, then United Nations Secretary General should go to Iraq as a peace emissary rather than a U.S. envoy.

He was referring to President George Bush's proposal to send Secretary of State James Baker to Baghdad to meet with Mr. Hussein.

-30- 4056

#90358d6430 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 24) - Sudanese rebels claimed they had captured a key garrison in the south-western province of Bahr al Ghazal on Monday, and were about to launch a final assault on the provincial capital, Wau.

The radio of the rebel Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA), monitored here, said the SPLA had captured Bazjia garrison, 80 kilometres (50 miles) from Wau, which they said they had started bombarding from three sides. The radio gave no details of casualties.

It said the SPLA would capture Wau before the new year.

The SPLA, which has been fighting since 1983 to free mainly Christian and animist south Sudan from domination by the Islamic north, has claimed a string of victories in the past month, mainly in Western Equatoria province, south of Bahr al Ghazal.

The government has also claimed some successes, saying its forces had retaken the White Nile port of Melut, captured by the rebels in May.

The government also said its troops had killed a "large number" of rebels in fighting at Bongo, near the southern government-held town of Juba, besieged by the SPLA.

In another development, people's committees have called for a vast mobilisation to enforce strict Islamic law throughout the nation, the Sudanese news agency SUNA reported. The SPLA opposes the imposition of Islamic law throughout the country.

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BRUSSELS (DEC. 24) - Belgium has one of the Western world's highest rates of AIDS among heterosexuals, the Belgian health research institute IHE said in a report released here Monday.

The Institut belge d'hygiene et d'epidemiologie (IHE) said 29 percent of all reported cases of adult AIDS had been contracted through heterosexual sex -- an increasing tendency over the last three years.

By contrast, the equivalent figure was six percent in the United States and France, and an average eight percent in Western Europe.

The institute said the incidence of heterosexual transmission was particularly worrying because it exposed a much greater population to AIDS. Homosexuals and drug addicts remain the most vulnerable.

But Dr. Nathan Clumeck, a prominent Belgian expert on AIDS, said infection was declining among homosexuals because they were taking precautions, and had stabilised amongst drug addicts.

Doctors here attribute much of the HIV infection among heterosexuals to the movement of Belgians among their country's former African colonies of Zaire, Burundi and Ruanda, where AIDS is particularly rampant among heterosexuals.

Dr. Clumeck said many women who tested HIV-positive were outside the traditional high-risk groups. They were often aged under 30, with middle-class professions such as teaching or the law, and were not particularly promiscuous.

The only way to identify heterosexual AIDS carriers, the doctor said, was to establish a register tracing back all the sexual partners of AIDS patients for the last five years, but on the basis of strict confidentiality.

In 1987, social security programmes spent 2.4 billion Belgian francs (78 million dollars) to treat 95 AIDS patients. By September 30 this year, 764 cases had been reported and 366 of the patients had died.

An average of three new HIV-positive cases are now reported each day, bringing the total since 1984 to 6,042. The eventual result could be a crushing financial burden, experts say.

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TUNIS (DEC. 24) - Thirty-five militants of the Islamic movement Annahda have been taken in for questioning in the past 48 hours in Tunisia, including its chief spokesman Ali Laaridh, the movement said Monday.

Sources close to official quarters said the arrests were part of a probe into a terrorist network the authorities said they had dismantled early this month. Soldiers, customs men and police were among a first wave of about 70 people arrested. Some were implicated in a 1987 plot to topple the government of then president Habib Bourguiba, officials said.

Mr. Laaridh had been under police surveillance for some days, the movement said. He was twice taken in for questioning in July.

Three members of Annahda's steering committee were among those held in the latest swoops, which picked up people here in the capital and at Bizerta, Kef, Siliana and Kairouan, the movement said in a communique.

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#90358d6630 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 24) - Britain has imposed export controls on chemical products which might be used to produce chemical or biological weapons, a spokesman for the Trade and Industry Ministry said on Monday.

Fifteen substances were added to the list of chemical products subject to controls, meaning that they cannot be exported without the ministry's approval. The list currently contains 37 products.

Trade and Industry Secretary Tim Sainsbury said that "It is the government's policy to prevent the proliferation of chemical and biological weapons, and the development of the capability to produce them."

The announcement follows a 25-nation conference here on December 14 on export controls aimed at preventing the proliferation of chemical weapons.

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#90358d6640 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
OLATHE, Kansas (DEC. 24) - Police arrested a man disguised in a George Bush mask who allegedly robbed a fast food restaurant then asked the restaurant manager for a jump start when cold weather stalled the robber's car.

Police said they arrested an 18-year-old Texan, whom they found in the restaurant parking lot Sunday trying to jump start his car in the biting cold.

At the time of the robbery, the temperature in Olathe, near Kansas City, was about minus 17 degrees Celsius (two degrees Fahrenheit).

"When he went to leave, his car woumdn't start, so he went back in and asked the manager for a jump start," Olathe police Lieutenant Vernon Watson said.

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#90358d6660 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN (DEC. 24) - The Iranian Oil Ministry is now prepared to resume oil sales to U.S. companies after a three-year suspension, a senior ministry official said here Monday.

Mehdi Hosseini, responsible for international affairs at the ministry, was responding to an announcement by the U.S. State Department on Saturday that U.S. companies had been authorized to import limited quantities of Iranian oil.

But the department said the firms would have to deposit earnings from such imports in an escrow account to finance U.S. claims against Iran now being adjudicated by a special tribunal in the The Hague.

"We are prepared to sell oil to U.S. companies," Mr. Hosseini told AFP. But he added that "selling oil to U.S. companies to support a fund in The Hague designed to compensate the Americans does not have much interest for Iran."

Mr. Hosseini also stressed that the ministry's position does not commit the Iranian government, as President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani has not yet given an opinion on oil sales question.

He said Iran had not been contacted by U.S. companies and insisted that any oil sold to them could not be re-sold to Israel or South Africa.

Iranian oil imports by the United States have been suspended since 1987, although technically Iran has been the target of a U.S. economic boycott since the early 1980s.

In another development, Iranian Oil Minister Gholamreza Aqhazadeh has been quoted as saying Iran will boost its sustainable crude oil production capacity to 4.5 million barrels a day in 1992.

He told the Nicosia-based specialist newsletter Middle East Economic Survey that the hike would be about one million barrels a day above current production and 1.3 to 1.4 million barrels a day beyond Iran's present quota assigned by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

With OPEC quotas suspended because of the Gulf crisis, according to Mr. Aqhazadeh, Iran has been producing between 3.5 and 3.6 million barrels a day, its maximum capacity.

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#90358d6680 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LONDON (DEC. 24) - British writer Salman Rushdie has decided not to publish a paperback version of his controversial novel The Satanic Verses, his spokesman announced on Monday.

In a statement issued through the Islamic Society for the Promotion of Religious Tolerance after a meeting with Moslem leaders, Mr. Rushdie said "I undertake not to publish the paperback edition of The Satanic Verses or to permit any further agreements for translation into other languages while any risk of further offence exists."

The Indian-born author also said that he repudiated all insulting remarks towards Islam made by characters in the novel.

Mr. Rushdie was sentenced to death by the late Iranian spiritual leader Ayatollah Khomeiny in 1989 following publication of the novel, which contained passages considered blasphemous by many Moslems.

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#90358d6700 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (DEC. 24) - The Israeli parliament was asked Monday to approve the government's biggest ever budget with a huge deficit designed to meet the twin strains of rising security costs and the need to pay for the huge influx of Soviet Jewish immigrants.

The budget of 66.5 billion shekel (32.5 billion dollars) passed its first reading as economic experts predicted that Finance Minister Itzhak Moda'i would be forced to increase the 12 billion shekel deficit in the face of larger than expected immigration of 400,000. dpa sc 241714 Dez 90

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#90358d6710 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
LAGOS (DEC. 24) - The eighth ordinary meeting of the 11-nation African Petroleum Producers' Association (APPA) will be held next month in Abuja, Nigeria's future capital, an official source announced here Monday.

The five-day meeting, which will begin on January 20, will discuss the current international oil situation as well as problems affecting member-nations, the source added.

The APPA was created in January 1987 to foster interest among African producers of crude oil.

The body, with headquarters in Brazzaville, Congo, groups 11 countries. They are Algeria, Angola, Benin, Cameroon, Congo, Gabon, Libya, Nigeria, Ivory Coast, Egypt and Zaire.

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#90358d6800 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency
DOHA (DEC. 24) - King Fahd of Saudi Arabia on Monday said a decision to make peace could be a bolder stroke than going to war and appealed to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for an "understanding" on the Gulf.

"We are ready to show, as soon as he (President Hussein) takes a decision in favor of an understanding, that we on our side can make such a move," King Fahd declared in a message addressed to leaders of the Gulf Cooperation Council meeting here.

"A decision for peace in decisive historical circumstances is most often a bolder act than war," he said.

He was speaking just three weeks before the expiry on January 15 of a United

Nations deadline for an Iraqi military withdrawal from Kuwait, after which a U.S.-led multinational force will be authorized to launch a military strike to free the emirate.

"We have opted for neither war nor peace. We have adopted a decision on the liberation of Kuwait by peaceful means, as long as peace is possible, or by war, when war is the only way," the king said in a message appearing in the press here.

The six-nation GCC, grouping Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Oman amd Qatar, is still looking for a peaceful solution in the Gulf, according to King Fahd.

"We do not want to close the doors of hope," he added.

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#90358d6850 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 24) - In a Christmas message to U.S. troops in the Gulf, President George Bush said Monday they were there ''because the world must not reward aggression, because our vital interests are at stake and because of the brutality and danger of Saddam Hussein''.

He added: ''We're there backed by 12 United Nations resolutions and the forces of 25 other countries. The sacrifices you make will never be forgotten.

''America is behind you. The world is behind you and history is behind you. When you come home, and we hope it's soon, you'll be welcomed as what you are - all-American heroes.''

Bush's message came from his Camp David retreat, where he was spending Christmas and being briefed by Defence Secretary Dick Cheney and Chief of General Staff Colin Powell, just back from an inspection tour of troops in the Gulf.

The Washington Post reported that the Pentagon was speeding up the development and deployment of new weapons systems, and that two brand new missiles - for the navy and army - were already in the Gulf although their testing was not yet completed.

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#90358d6870 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAHORE, PAKISTAN (DEC. 24) - Iran accused Monday a religious group in Pakistan of engineering the assassination of its diplomat Sadiq Ganji here last week and demanded Islamabad outlaw the organization.

If the Anjuman-e-Sahaba (ASS) was not banned, Pakistan-Iran relations would be

"adversely affected," visiting Iranian deputy foreign minister, Ali Muhammad Basharati, warned at a press conference here.

Even Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif's visit to Iran, scheduled for January 19, could be "reviewed," he said.

Mr. Basharati described the ASS as an "agent" of Wahabism, a Moslem religious sect of Saudi origin that he said had always strongly opposed the Islamic revolution in Iran.

Mr. Ganji, director general of the Iranian Cultural Centre, was shot dead here Wednesday outside the International Hotel as he got out of his car to attend a farewell dinner.

Police have arrested a number of suspects, one of whom was apparently an ASS activist, but the investigation into the murder has not yet been completed.

One of the detained men tried to shoot himself when police surrounded him near the hotel soon after the diplomat's killing.

Press reports have since named him as Haq Nawaz and said he is the key suspect in the case.

Mr. Basharati, who met President Ghulam Ishaq Khan and Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif in Islamabad, said the Iranian government was under "tremendous pressure" from the Iranian people who were deeply hurt by the murder of Mr. Ganji.

The ASS is based in Pakistan city of Jhang in Punjab province. The city has frequently witnessed tension and clashes between ASS activists and members of the minority Shiite community.

Current ASS leader, Maulana Ziaur Rehman Farooqi, said Friday his organization had no hand in the murder.

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#90358d6910 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MAPUTO (DEC. 24) - The Mozambique parliament has backed a law allowing a multiparty system in this southern African country.

The passing of the law at the weekend follows constitutional change which came into force on November 30 ending the monopoly of the ruling FRELIMO party.

Under the new law, all political parties must be nationally based and cannot adopt regionalist, secessionist, racist or religious platforms.

During debate here President Joaquim Chissano said this meant that for example

no party could call itself Christian Democrat.

All parties will have to be registered with the justice ministry and will have to open their rules and programmes to inspection, along with their leadership and organisation and a report of their inaugural meetings.

They must also provide a list of 1,100 members or backers, meaning 100 members for each of Mozambique's 11 provinces.

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#90358d6960 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 24) - Iraq's ambassadors to the United States and to the United Nations have been recalled to Baghdad for consultations, an Iraqi Embassy spokesman here said Monday.

The spokesman did not give a reason for the recall, nor did he say how long Ambassador Mohamed al Mashat and his U.N. colleague Abdul al Anbari would be away. He did not specify when they had left the United States.

The move came amid increasingly pessimistic talk by the United States and Iraq on the prospects of settling the Gulf crisis through diplomatic channels, and in the face of a stalemate over the holding of direct talks to avert war.

U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney warned in Egypt Sunday en route back from a visit to the Middle East that the use of force to drive Iraq out of Kuwait was becoming increasingly likely.

Mr. Cheney, and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Colin Powell, who accompanied him to the Middle East, were briefing President George Bush Monday at the presidential retreat in Camp David, Maryland.

Mr. Bush has proposed that Washington and Baghdad exchange visits by their foreign ministers, but the two countries have failed to agree on a date.

Iraq is insisting on January 12 as the date for Secretary of State James Baker to meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad, but Washington says that would be too close to the U.N. deadline of January 15 for Iraq to quit Kuwait. The U.N. resolution authorizes the use of force after that date.

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#90358d6970 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DOHA, (DEC 24) - King Fahd of Saudi Arabia on Monday told President Saddam Hussein there was still time to avoid war in the Gulf and appealed to the Iraqi leader for an "understanding" on the regional crisis.

"Let the one we have considered a brother, a friend and an ally know that the

curtain has not yet come down on a destructive war ... and that the horrors, of which he himself and his people will be the first victims, can be avoided," King Fahd declared in a message that appeared in the press here during a summit of Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) leaders.

"We are ready to show, as soon as he (President Hussein) takes a decision in favor of an understanding, that we on our side can make such a move," King Fahd stressed.

"A decision for peace in decisive historical circumstances is most often a bolder act than war," he said.

The king was speaking just three weeks before the expiry January 15 of a United Nations deadline for an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait, after which a U.S.-led multinational force will be authorized to launch a military strike to free the emirate.

"We have opted for neither war nor peace. We have adopted a decision on the liberation of Kuwait by peaceful means, as long as peace is possible, or by war, when war is the only way," the king asserted in his message.

The six-nation GCC, grouping Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates,

Bahrain, Oman amd Qatar, is still looking for a peaceful solution in the Gulf, according to King Fahd.

"We do not want to close the doors of hope," he added.

The king, who following the invasion on August 2 agreed to accept the deployment of thousands of U.S., British, French, Arab, Asian and African troops on Saudi soil, also urged the GCC to ensure that the Kuwaiti "catastrophe" never happen again.

In addition to political and economic cooperation within the council, Gulf states must establish a "common military and defense structure," he said.

King Fahd spoke of the failure of Arab political order in the Gulf crisis and called for reforms through "the mobilization of Arab material and human potential."

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#90358d7010 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 24) - Iraqi scientists have managed to produce artificial rain that fell recently on several provinces in the country, official television reported here Monday.

Three planes sprayed clouds with "chemical products" that triggered rainstorms

the television said, quoting experts at the Ministry of Industry and Military Industrialization.

The report said the operation was made possible despite the challenges currently facing the country, notably a United Nations trade embargo.

The ministry last month announced that it was conducting experiments on artificial rain in order to boost agricultural output to thwart the embargo.

The United Nations sanctions were imposed to protest the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

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#90358d7150 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NICOSIA (DEC. 24) - Libyan leader Colonel Moamer Kadhafi on Monday told the Pope and the U.N. Secretary General they should not celebrate Christmas as long as the fate of former Panamanian president Manuel Noriega remains uncertain.

Colonel Kadhafi, in a message to Pope John Paul II carried by the Libyan news agency monitored here, told the pontiff the family of General Noriega "will not share in the joy of Christmas because the Vatican last year turned over their father to a ferocious animal."

"You are responsible before God and Christ for this sin," Col. Kadhafi told the pope.

Gen. Noriega was overthrown in December 1989 in a U.S. military invasion of Panama, carried out after U.S. authorities charged the general with drug trafficking.

Gen. Noriega sought refuge in the residence of the papal nuncio in Panama City and was later arrested by U.S. forces after leaving the premises.

In another message, Col. Kadhafi called on United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar not "to celebrate Christmas as long as the fate of Gen. Noriega, the president of a member of the United States, is unknown."

Gen. Noriega is currently jailed in the United States awaiting trial on drug charges.

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#90358d7160 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (DEC. 24) - African diplomats said on Monday they were sure the ceasefire agreement between the three warring sides in the Liberian conflict "will continue to be observed by all sides."

The diplomats, basing their assessment on intelligence reports from Monrovia, said that Charles Taylor, the leader of the main rebel group, the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL) "still remains the man to do business with if an all round permanent peace settlement is to be achieved".

The diplomats acknowledged that Mr. Taylor was "still determined to restructure the set up of the interim government administration of Dr Amos Sawyer and that the presidency continues to remain the ultimate aim of the NPFL leader."

The diplomats said it was "not as clear cut" as before whether Mr. Taylor could win an outright victory if elections were held now.

The leader of the Independent National Patriotic Front of Liberia (INPFL) Prince Johnson remained "the least trusted of the three Liberian leaders", the diplomats added.

They all agreed that there was "a long term role" to be played by the Economic Community of West African States monitoring force "even when peace has come to Liberia in permanent form".

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#90358d7170 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 24) - The speaker of the Indian parliament Monday officially approved Lal Krishna Advani, president of the Hindu Indian People's Party (BJP) as leader of the opposition in the lower house.

Mr. Advani, 63, replaces former premier and Congress (I) leader Rajiv Gandhi, whose party is currently backing the minority government of Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar.

Speaker Rabi Ray recognised Mr. Advani as leader of the opposition, the parliament secretariat said in an official announcement here Monday, three days before the national legislature begins its next winter session.

Mr. Advani, whose party is the largest single opposition group in the lower house, is entitled to the same status and privileges as a cabinet minister.

The Congress (I), with 192 MPs compared to the BJP's 85, had wanted to retain its position as the main opposition in the lower house, but the BJP had successfully argued that Congress (I)'s support for the government meant it was no longer in opposition.

Mr. Advani's party toppled the five-party National Front headed by Vishwanath Pratap Singh by withdrawing its support for the coalition government, which was then voted out by parliament in November.

The BJP engineered the collapse to protest Mr. V.P. Singh's hardline stance against Hindu revivalist plans to raze a 16th century mosque in the northern town of Ayodhya and build a temple on its ruins.

Earlier, Mr. Advani said India's next general election would centre on the temple-mosque controversy.

"It has now become impossible for the issue not to affect any election," he said in a speech to his party workers here.

He said the government was postponing a snap election because it knew the BJP had become "politically stronger and ideologically acceptable to the people."

More than 600 people have died in the past two months in Hindu-Moslem clashes linked to the temple-mosque dispute.

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#90358d7180 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW, (DEC 24) - Iraq's ambassador to the Soviet Union, Ghafil Jassim, left Moscow for Baghdad on Sunday, staff at his home said.

It was announced in Washington on Monday that Iraq's ambassadors to the United States and to the United Nations had been recalled to Baghdad for consultations.

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#90358d7190 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 24) - Journalists on one of France's two public television stations, FR3, reached agreement with management on wage claims and career prospects Monday, putting an end to a month-long strike.

The journalists would return to work on Wednesday (Boxing Day), union sources said.

The agreement came five days after a new president, Herve Bourges was appointed to run both stations. France also has four private channels.

The 27-day strike was the longest ever staged by FR3 journalists.

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#90358d7200 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 24) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will be "very severely beaten" if he has to be driven from Kuwait by force, British Defence Secretary Tom King said here Monday.

In an interview with BBC radio, Mr. King said Iraqi forces would face a "very powerful onslaught" and there would be "no question about the outcome".

He said he had never considered the Iraqi president to be "a madman".

"I think he is an extremely cunning and calculating individual and he will push it as hard as he can. If the final crunch comes he knows he will be very severely beaten", he said.

Mr. King said sanctions had worked "to an extent" but sanctions alone could not deal with the problem caused by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90358d7240 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON, (DEC 24) - British writer Salman Rushdie announced that he had decided not to have his controversial novel "The Satanic Verses" published in paperback, in a statement released Monday after meetings with moderate Moslem leaders.

The Indian-born author also said for the first time that he repudiated all insulting remarks towards Islam made by characters in the novel.

In an interview with BBC Radio, Mr. Rushdie expressed hope that he would be able to emerge from hiding "quite soon" and return to a normal life.

"This isn't the end of it, but this is, I very strongly believe, the begining of the end," he added.

The pledge back drew a cool response from British Moslem leaders, who are still demanding a complete ban on the book.

Sher Azam, the president of the Bradford Council for Mosques, who represents his city's 75,000 Moslems, said that Mr. Rushdie's promise was "a step towards the right direction, but we must point out that the book is still being published in hardback ... Until the book is completely removed, our campaign goes on."

Iqbal Sacranie, the joint convenor of the U.K Committee on Islamic Affairs said that the committee was "pleased" that its campaign against the book had been acknowledged by Mr. Rushdie, but called for the cancellation of existing publishing agreements.

In his statement, issued through the Islamic Society for the Promotion of Religious Tolerance, Mr. Rushdie said "I undertake not to publish the paperback edition of "The Satanic Verses" or to permit any further agreements for translation into other languages while any risk of further offence exists."

Mr. Rushdie met on Monday at a secret location with several moderate Moslem leaders, including Egyptian Religious Affairs Minister Muhammed Ali Maghoub, an imam from the London mosque, and the president of the Islamic Society for the Promotion of Religious Tolerance, Dr. Hesham El Essawy, according to his spokeswoman.

Dr. El Essaway has campaigned among Moslems for Mr. Rushdie's rehabilitation.

Mr. Rushdie told BBC Radio that the meeting had been characterized by "openness and positive spirit."

He has been living in hiding under the protection of British police since the late Iranian spiritual leader Ayatollah Khomeiny issued a death sentence against him in February, 1989, following publication of "The Satanic Verses", which contained passages considered blasphemous by many Moslems.

The Rushdie affair caused Britain to break diplomatic relations with Iran in March, 1989. Ties were restored in September after Iran refused to back Iraq in the Gulf crisis.

In early December, Mr. Rushdie made his first public appearance since he went into hiding, at a London bookstore.

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#90358d7330 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 24) - President George Bush Monday got a briefing from his two top military advisors on the readiness of U.S. forces in the Gulf to do battle with Iraq.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Colin Powell, just back from a Middle East tour, flew by helicopter to the presidential retreat in Camp David, Maryland, to bring Mr. Bush up to the minute on U.S. troops now in the Gulf region.

Pentagon officials who travelled to Saudi Arabia with Mr. Cheney said the logistical problems of the massive U.S. troop deployment were being solved gradually.

They said U.S. troops appeared to be in good spirits, despite being placed on alert for the Christmas holiday.

The majority of the troop reinforcements whose deployment was ordered by Mr. Bush in early November still are en route to the Gulf region, with two armored divisions to be transferred from Germany and a mechanized infantry division to be sent from the United States.

Almost 300,000 U.S. troops now are deployed in the region, with at least another 100,000 troops due to arrive for deployment there in the next few weeks.

Analysts agree that these three fresh divisions will not be operational by the January 15 date after which the United Nations has authorized the use of allied force to drive Iraqi occupying forces from Kuwait, which Iraq has held since August 2.

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#90358d7370 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC. 24) - Israeli troops on Monday shot dead a Palestinian during a chase on the West Bank, Arab and Israeli sources reported.

They said the victim had been suspected of being an activist in the three-year old Palestinian uprising on the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

He and a companion, armed with knives, were being sought by an Israeli patrol in the village of Hirbet Safa, according to an army spokesman.

Troops opened fire when the pair refused an order to halt. One of the Palestinians was killed and the other was captured, the spokesman said.

The new death brings to 751 the number of Palestinians killed by Israeli gunfire in the occupied territories since the start of the uprising in December 1987, according to an unofficial toll compiled by AFP.

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#90358d7380 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 24) - The United States Monday accused rebel forces in El Salvador of preparing a new offensive, after the guerrillas declared a nine day truce Sunday.

"We have reliable information that the FMLN (Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front) plans new intensive military attacks to begin the New Year," State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

"Instead of negotiating to bring peace to El Salvador in 1990, the guerrillas have chosen to bring death and destruction to their country and its people. While professing to observe a 'truce', they are preparing for more war," Mr. Boucher added.

According to the spokesman, the most recent FMLN attacks left 16 civilians dead and 108 injured. Coffee and cotton plantations as well as banks and buses all have been attacked, although as targets they "have no conceivable military value."

The FMLN, which has waged an armed anti-government campaign since the late 1970's, announced Sunday a unilateral truce extending from December 24 through January 1.

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#90358d7390 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, (DEC 24) - The State Department Monday challenged as "completely unfounded" a Soviet charge that the West was seeking to subvert the Soviet economy by lacing food shipments with radioactivity.

Vladimir Kryuchkov, head of the Soviet secret service, the KGB, made the allegation in a speech to Soviet Congress on Saturday.

"The allegations of foreign subversion made by the KGB chairman are completely unfounded and inaccurate," said State Department spokesman Richard Boucher.

"We're concerned that such a senior Soviet official would return to this kind of outdated and inflammatory rhetoric which can only be described as inconsistent with the improvement that has taken place, in both the substance and the atmosphere, of U.S.-Soviet relations," he added.

"The Soviet Union's current internal difficulties, as senior Soviet officials have themselves readily admitted, are the result of policies adopted in the past by the country's leaders," Mr. Boucher said.

"They can only be solved through fundamental political and economic reforms," he added.

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#90358d7400 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 24) - The U.S. government Monday warned Thailand that unless Thai protection of U.S. copyrights is stepped up, the United States may resort to import tariffs as a penalty.

U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills said Monday she had launched an investigation of Thailand's international copyright defense system.

"We have repeatedly expressed our strong concern to Thai officials at all levels that the rights of U.S. copyright holders are not adequately safeguarded," Ms. Hills said.

"Unfortunately, we have seen no improvement in Thailand's willingness to shut down the considerable illegal copying of U.S. movies, music, books and computer software or to ensure that U.S. companies obtain prompt and effective redress through Thailand's legal system," Ms. Hills indicated in a statement.

Ms. Hills decided to investigate alleged Thai abuses after receiving a November 15 petition from the Motion Picture Association of America, the International Intellectual Property Alliance and the Recording Industry of America.

The trade representative said her office will commence talks with the Thai government promptly to resolve the dispute. If such talks do not bear fruit, the U.S. government could outline a list of Thai exports to slap with higher U.S. import duties.

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#90358d7420 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 24) - A decision by Britain to avoid holding a Christian service for its troops in Saudi Arabia over Christmas, so as to avoid offending the country's rulers, was "deplorable," the Anglican bishop of Norwich said on Monday.

Britain has opted to hold its ecumenical Christmas religious service at a base in the more tolerant Gulf state of Bahrain, even though the vast majority of its 15,000 troops in the Gulf are in Saudi Arabia.

"I appreciate that we have to be sensitive to the customs of a foreign country but the diplomats should have insisted on the freedom to worship, particularly as this is possible in other neighbouring Moslem countries," the Right Reverend Peter Nott said during his traditional Christmas service.

"After all, the men and women of our armed services are out in the Gulf to defend the country with their lives," he said, referring to Saudi Arabia.

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#90358d7460 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 23) - The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) said Monday it had removed a barrier to the sale of entertainment giant MCA to Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. of Japan.

The FCC approved the transfer of a New York-area television station, WWOR-TV, from MCA Inc. to MCA shareholders, partly clearing the way for Matsushita to acquire MCA, parent of Universal Studios.

Matsushita, as a foreign corporation, is barred from owning the radio station, which will be spun off to MCA shareholders as a separate company.

Last month, Matsushita agreed to acquire MCA for 6.6 billion dollars. It is the largest purchase of a U.S. company by one in Japan.

Under the FCC's decision, three MCA officials must resign their positions either with MCA or its subsidiary MCA Broadcasting Inc. and WWOR for MCA to complete the divestiture.

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#90358d7500 12/24/1990 ~French/German News Agency

VATICAN CITY, (DEC 25) - Pope John Paul II led some 5,000 worshippers from all over the world in a prayer for peace at the traditional Christmas mass celebrated here at midnight on Monday.

Nawal El-Hage, a 24-year-old Lebanese student in Rome, read out an appeal in Arabic: "Lord, enlighten the spirits of heads of state and government so that they may be builders of peace, and overlook nothing to build a peace based on justice and mutual respect."

The pope, who devoted his homily to the theme of "the mystery of the night at Bethlehem," was to celebrate a second mass at Saint Peter's basilica on Christmas day, before reading a message for peace and giving his traditional blessing.

Vatican sources said threat of war in the Gulf, the difficulties facing the Soviet Union as well as Eastern Europe and the Third World, were on the pope's mind as he composed his message.

It was estimated that 250 million people throughout the world followed the service on television.

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#90358e0007 12/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

RIYADH (DEC. 24) EFE - U.S. Vice President Dan Quayle will end the year by visiting American troops stationed in the Gulf and meeting in Saudi Arabia with King Fahd, authorities said Monday.

Quayle will arrive in Saudi Arabia on December 30 instead of December 29 as previously announced. He will depart January 1.

The Defense Department has announced all U.S. troops in the Gulf have been placed on maximum alert for a week in case Iraq launched a surprise Christmas attack.

The U.S. has about 280,000 troops deployed in the Gulf region in response to Iraq's August invasion of Kuwait.

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#90358e0014 12/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WARSAW (DEC. 24) EFE - Despite a request from the Soviet Union, Polish authorities have decided not to extradite 12 Soviet soldiers who have asked for political asylum in Poland, Interior Minister Kryszstof Kozlowski hassaid.

The soldiers deserted in November and signed a statement saying they wanted to leave the Soviet Army and to live in Poland for +political and ideological+ reasons.

An Interior Ministry spokesman said Poland did not wish to practice a policy that encouraged desertion for the Soviet Army, but would handle such requests on a case-by-case basis. The spokesman said Poland did not intend to offer residence to people who had committed crimes.

The Soviet Union earlier this year announced plans to withdraw by the end of the year about 10,000 of an estimated 58,000 troops stationed in Poland.

Polish authorities have said they are concerned other Soviet deserters might turn up in Poland as Red Army troops are withdrawn from other former Soviet Bloc countries.

The Polish government has expressed fears about a wave of Soviet refugees floodign the country if political and economic conditions in the Soviet Union continue to deteriorate.

According to estimates by the Interior Ministry, if martial law were imposed in the Soviet republics bordering Poland, several hundred thousand refugees could pour across the frontier.

Easier access to travel documents for Soviets and fewer restrictions on travel could also encourage a flow of refugees into Poland, authorities have said.

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#90358e0015 12/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

RABAT (DEC. 24) EFE - Mass trials began Monday of people detained 10 days ago during street disturbances in several Moroccan cities during which dozens were believed to have been killed in clashes with security forces.

Trials opened in Fez, Tangier, Rabat and Kenitra, cities where violence erupted on December 14 when a 24-hour general strike in Morocco turned violent.

More than 200 defendents were charged with civil disobedience, forming unlawful associations and causing public disorders.

In smaller trials last week the accused were convicted on similar charges and given sentences of up to five months in jail and fined up to dlrs 60.

Morroco's opposition press said Monday that trials had also opened in other

cities. The media protested about the conditions of the defendants and said some had appeared in court suffering from bullet wounds.

The daily L'Opinion said that 10 days after the riots, the government had still not kept promises to raise salaries and improve welfare programs, adding that unions were prepared to launch another strike.

The newspaper reported sporadic outbreaks of violence were continuing throughout the country.

Figures for the number of dead in the disturbances differed. The government denied that up to 50 people had been killed as claimed by trade unions and said only five had died.

The government also said those arrested were drug traffickers and common criminals and that the violence was not caused by popular unrest.

But witnesses said the majority of those involved in the demonstrations were unemployed youngsters and students. Many of them have also been charged with looting and setting fire to public buildings and cars.

Opposition parties and human rights groups have called for trials to be delayed until an independent inquiry into the rioting is completed.

Trouble broke out after trade unions called a general strike following the collapse of pay negotiations with the government Thursday.

The unions are demanding that the minimum monthly wage of dlrs 120 be tripled to make up for consumers' reduced purchasing power in the midst of soaring inflation.

They argue that Morocco's rigid adherence to World Bank and International Monetary Fund austerity programs have led to positive economic growth for Morocco but at the expense of the poor.

Union leaders estimate that 12 million of Morocco's 22 million people live in poverty.

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#90358e0017 12/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

DETROIT, Michigan (DEC. 24) EFE - A father and six of his nine children were killed when their Christmas tree caught fire and burned down their house, police said Monday.

Police said the accident happened in the northern U.S. city of Detroit on Sunday night.

When the fire broke out both parents managed to escape with one of the children but the badly-burned father retuned to the blazing building to rescue six more trapped inside.

Two more children were away from home at the time of the fire.

Police said all the dead children, including a twin brother and sister, were aged under 12.

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#90358e0019 12/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BONN (DEC. 24) EFE - German Roman Catholic bishops expressed outrage Monday over the cover of a weekly news magazine which depicted Pope John Paul holding a condom with a devil's head at its tip.

The illustration under the heading "The Pope and Desire" appeared on the front of Der Spiegel's Christmas edition.

Wilhelm Schaetzler, secretary of the German Episcopal Conference, deplored the drawing as an example of the magazine's "neurotic attitude" towards the Catholic Church.

He said the relevant article inside the magazine, which dealt with the Vatican's opposal to artificial birth control, was made up of half truths and lies and was not intended to inform but to scandalize.

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#90358e0021 12/24/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

PANAMA CITY (DEC 24) EFE - Toys worth dlrs 10,000 found in the many homes of former Panamanian strongman Gen. Manuel Noriega after the U.S. invasion a year ago have been distributed in the slums of Panama City, authorities said Monday.

The toys were handed over to the Central American nation's Rotary Club which gave them to poor children.

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#90358h0043 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 24) XINHUA - THE THAI GOVERNMENT DONATES 500 TONS OF RICE TO THE PHILIPPINES FOR THE VICTIMS OF SUPER TYPHOON "MIKE" WHICH DEVASTATED THE COUNTRY IN NOVEMBER, A VISITING THAI MILITARY OFFICIAL SAID TODAY.

IN AN INTERVIEW WITH REPORTERS AFTER CALLING ON PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO, GENERAL SUNDNARA KONGSOMPONG, THE SUPREME COMMANDER OF THE ROYAL THAI ARMED FORCES, SAID THAT HE PRESENTED A LETTER FROM THAI PRIME MINISTER GENERAL CHATICHAI CHOONHAVAN INFORMING HER OF THE THAI RICE DONATION.

THE THAI EMBASSY SAID THE FIRST SHIPMENT OF RICE IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE AT SOUTHERN PHILIPPINE PORT OF CEBU ON CHRISTMAS DAY.

THE RICE DONATION FOR THE VICTIMS OF TYPHOON "MIKE" IS THE SECOND EMERGENCY AID THAT THE THAI GOVERNMENT HAS PROVIDED TO THE PHILIPPINES THIS YEAR. THE FIRST WAS A SHIPMENT OF 500 TONS OF RICE FOR VICTIMS OF THE JULY 16 KILLER EARTHQUAKE.

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#90358h0046 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 24) XINHUA - THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF) IS EXPECTED TO TO SIGN A 700-MILLION U.S. DOLLARS LOAN AGREEMENT WITH THE PHILIPPINES IN JANUARY NEXT YEAR, LOCAL PRESS QUOTING FINANCIAL SOURCES SAID HERE TODAY.

"WE WILL COME TO A FULL AGREEMENT WITH THE IMF BY EARLY JANUARY," PHILIPPINE FINANCE SECRETARY JESUS ESTANISLAO TOLD REPORTERS.

THE WASHINGTON-BASED IMF SAID THAT IT WOULD SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR FRESH CREDITS WITH THE PHILIPPINES ONLY IF THE COUNTRY CHECKS ITS WIDENING BUDGET DEFICIT, WHICH HAS BEEN CAUSED LARGELY BY THE GOVERNMENT'S ANNUAL ONE BILLION U.S. DOLLARS OIL SUBSIDY.

THE PHILIPPINES COMPLIED WITH IMF IMPOSITION BY RAISING DOMESTIC OIL PRICES, SCRAPING THE OIL SUBSIDY AND ASKING THE CONGRESS TO PASS NEW TAX MEASURES.

A PREVIOUS THREE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH THE IMF COLLAPSED IN OCTOBER THIS YEAR AFTER THE COUNTRY'S DEFICITS TOPPED LEVELS SET IN THE AGREEMENT.

THIS LED TO THE FREEZING OF FOREIGN CREDIT PROGRAMS AND CONTRIBUTED TO A FOREIGN EXCHANGE SHORTAGE.

EVERYTHING HAS BEEN AGREED UPON AND THE PHILIPPINES WILL GET THE MONEY EARLY NEXT YEAR, ESTANISLAO SAID.

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#90358h0048 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (DEC. 24) XINHUA - THE GULF CRISIS HAS ENABLED EGYPT TO REAP 1 BILLION DOLLARS IN NET PROFIT FROM OIL EXPORTS IN THE PAST SIX MONTHS, ABOUT THREE TIMES AS MUCH AS THE BUDGET FORECAST, THE EGYPTIAN OIL MINISTER HAS SAID.

THE OIL MINISTRY'S BUDGET ESTIMATE OF EXPORT REVENUE FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, FROM JULY 1 TO NEXT JUNE 30, WAS 680 MILLION DOLLARS, OR ABOUT 340 MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31, ABDEL-HADY KANDIL SAID.

HOWEVER, BETWEEN JULY AND DECEMBER, EGYPT'S NET INCOME FROM OIL EXPORTS

REACHED 1 BILLION DOLLARS BECAUSE OF INCREASED OIL PRICES DRIVEN UP BY THE GULF CRISIS, CAIRO'S NEWSPAPERS TODAY QUOTED THE OIL MINISTER AS SAYING DURING A WEEKEND TOUR OF OIL INSTALLATIONS IN THE WESTERN DESERT.

A TOTAL OF 17 NEW AGREEMENTS FOR OIL AND GAS EXPLORATION BY FOREIGN COMPANIES WILL BE SIGNED IN 1991, KANDIL DISCLOSED.

EGYPT EXPORTS HALF OF ITS ABOUT 900,000 BARRELS OF OIL DAILY AND CONSUMES THE REST AT HOME. IT SETS ITS OIL PRICES IN LIGHT OF THE POLICIES OF THE ORGANIZATION OF PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES AND WORLD MARKET CONDITIONS ALTHOUGH IT IS NOT A MEMBER OF OPEC.

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#90358h0051 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (DEC. 24) XINHUA - A SENIOR PALESTINIAN OFFICIAL SAID TODAY THAT THE PLO WILL FIGHT ALONGSIDE IRAQ IF THE GULF WAR ERUPTS WITH THE U.S.-LED MULTINATIONAL FORCE, NEWS REPORTS SAID.

"WE HAVE COORDINATED OUR PLANS TO FIGHT WITH IRAQ IN ONE TRENCH," SAID HANI AL-HASSAN, PLO CHAIRMAN YASSER ARAFAT'S CHIEF POLITICAL ADVISER.

"(U.S.) PRESIDENT (GEORGE) BUSH SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT THE AGGRESSION AGINAST IRAQ WILL NOT BE A QUICK AND EASY BATTLE AS HE PLANS," AL-HASSAN TOLD THE IRAQI GOVERNMENT DAILY "AL-JUMHOURIYA" DURING A TRIP TO IRAQ HEADING A FATAH DELEGATION.

FATAH IS THE MAINSTREAM FACTION WITHIN THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION.

A WAR IN THE GULF "WILL BE A LONG AND FIERCE ONE," AL-HASSAN SAID. "IT WILL BE A DESTRUCTIVE WAR IN WHICH ALL THE ARABS WILL FIGHT SIDE BY SIDE WITH IRAQ."

"THE PALESTINIAN REVOLUTION WILL NOT BE A SPECTATOR WHEN THE AMERICANS LAUNCH THEIR AGGRESSION AGAINST IRAQ," HE SAID.

AL-HASSAN HAS MET WITH IRAQI FOREIGN MINISTER TARIQ AZIZ AND SENIOR BAATH PARTY OFFICIALS.

EVER SINCE THE GULF CRISIS ERUPTED IN AUGUST BECAUSE OF THE IRAQ INVASION OF KUWAIT, PLO FACTIONS HAVE MADE A CHAIN OF WARNINGS THAT THEY WOULD STRIKE U.S. INTERESTS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD IF IRAQ WAS ATTACKED.

ON SUNDAY, GEORGE HABASH, LEADER OF THE POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE, WARNED THAT HIS GROUP, THE SECOND-LARGEST PLO FACTION, WOULD ATTACK THE AMERICAN INTERESTS IF WAR STARTED.

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#90358h0054 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 24) XINHUA - AFFORESTATION PROJECTS IN CHINA DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS, WHICH COVER OVER 30 MILLION HECTARES, ARE EQUAL TO THE TOTAL OF TREES PLANTED IN THE 40 YEARS SINCE THE FOUNDING OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC.

THE MINISTRY OF FORESTRY REPORTS THAT THE COUNTRY HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN MASS AFFORESTATION. IN THE EFFORT AIRCRAFT HAS BEEN USED TO SOW SEEDS, AND HILLSIDES HAVE BEEN CLOSED TO ENABLE UNDISTURBED GROWTH.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE PERCENTAGE OF LOGGING OF FOREST RESOURCES HAS BEEN CONTROLLED AND THE NUMBER OF SHELTERBELT, FUEL ECONOMIC FORESTS HAVE BEEN INCREASED. HOWEVER, THE USE OF FOREST RELATED PRODUCTS HAS ALSO INCREASED.

CHINA BEGAN CONSTRUCTION OF SHELTERBELTS IN COASTAL AREAS AND ALONG THE YANGTZE RIVER, AFTER COMPLETING THE GREEN GREAT WALL PROJECTS IN THE NORTHERN CHINESE PROVINCES AND TAIHANG MOUNTAINS.

THE MINISTRY OFFICIAL SAID THAT CHINA HAS PLANTED OVER 5.3 MILLION HECTARES OF TREES IN THE NORTHERN PROVINCES DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS AS PART OF THE GREEN GREAT WALL PROJECT. THE PROJECT RESULTED IN AN INCREASE IN FOREST COVERAGE FROM 6.9 PERCENT IN 1985 TO THE PRESENT 7.09 PERCENT, AND SERVED TO GREATLY IMPROVE ECOLOGICAL CONDITIONS IN THE AREA.

EARLY THIS YEAR, CHINA COMMENCED CONSTRUCTION OF ANOTHER SHELTERBELT PROJECT IN 145 COUNTIES OF NINE PROVINCES ALONG THE YANGTZE RIVER AND, TO DATE, TREES HAVE BEEN PLANTED ON 670,000 HECTARES. IN ADDITION, 500 OUT OF 900 COUNTIES IN THE PLAINS AREAS HAVE ATTAINED THE "GREEN" GOALS SET BY THE MINISTRY OF FORESTRY BY INCREASING THEIR FOREST COVERAGE TO 12.8 PERCENT.

THE OFFICIAL SAID THAT IN THE PAST TWO YEARS THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE PARTICIPATING IN THE MASS AFFORESTATION PROJECT HAS INCREASED FROM 200 TO 300 MILLION AND THAT THE NUMBER OF TREES PLANTED HAS INCREASED FROM ONE BILLION TO 1.7 BILLION.

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#90358h0058 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

NANNING (DEC. 24) XINHUA - CONSTRUCTION ON THE RAILWAY LINKING NANNING, THE CAPITAL OF GUANGXI ZHUANG AUTONOMOUS REGION, AND KUNMING, THE CAPITAL OF YUNNAN PROVINCE, COMMENCED TODAY.

THE 874 KILOMETER RAILWAY, WHICH WILL RUN THROUGH GUANGXI, YUNNAN AND GUIZHOU PROVINCES, COSTS OVER FIVE BILLION YUAN (ONE BILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

A LOCAL OFFICIAL SAID THAT CONSTRUCTION OF THE RAILWAY WILL BE CONDUCIVE TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF SOUTHWEST CHINA.

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#90358h0062 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
LAGOS (DEC. 24) XINHUA - NIGERIAN MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS IKE NWACHUKWU VISITED LIBERIA LAST SATURDAY TO SEE HOW PEACE IS BEING RESTORED IN THE WAR-RAVAGED COUNTRY.

THE NIGERIAN MINISTER WAS MET AT THE AIRPORT BY VICE- PRESIDENT OF THE LIBERIAN INTERIM GOVERNMENT BISHOP DIGGS. HE WAS THE FIRST FOREIGN MINISTER OF WEST AFRICAN NATIONS TO VISIT LIBERIA SINCE THE OUTBREAK OF THE LIBERIAN CIVIL WAR ONE YEAR AGO.

DURING HIS VISIT NWACHUKWU ASSESSED THE DAMAGE DONE TO THE NIGERIAN EMBASSY IN MONROVIA DURING THE LIBERIAN CIVIL WAR.

HE ALSO VISITED THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE WEST AFRICAN PEACE- KEEPING FORCE KNOWN AS ECOMOG IN MONROVIA.

MR. NWACHUKWU WENT TO LIBERIA AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF A TWO-DAY MEETING OF THE STANDING MEDIATION COMMITTEE OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES IN GAMBIAN CAPITAL OF BANJUL.

NIGERIA HAS CONTRIBUTED THE BULK OF THE WEST AFRICAN PEACE- KEEPING FORCE SENT TO LIBERIA IN AUGUST THIS YEAR TO IMPOSE A CEASEFIRE BETWEEN LIBERIAN WARRING FACTIONS.

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#90358h0066 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (DEC. 24) XINHUA - A FINE ARTS EXHIBITION FEATURING DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF RELIGIOUS LIFE MADE ITS DEBUT HERE TODAY IN CELEBRATION OF THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY.

THE EXHIBITION, WHICH IS SPONSORED BY THE THE FINE ARTS RESEARCH INSTITUTE UNDER THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF BEIJING, DISPLAYS MORE THAN 50 OIL PAINTINGS, TRADITIONAL CHINESE PAINTINGS, WATERCOLORS, CALLIGRAPHY, AND CARVINGS AS WELL AS ARTS AND CRAFTS.

THE EXHIBITS MAINLY DEPICT FIGURES OF GREAT RELIGIOUS SIGNIFICANCE, PARTICULARLY JESUS CHRIST AND THE VIRGIN MARY.

THE INSTITUTE, WHICH WAS FOUNDED IN 1939 BUT SUSPENDED IN 1947, HAS RESUMED ITS ACTIVITIES SINCE 1985. NOW IT HAS OVER 40 MEMBERS.

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#90358h0068 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

COLOMBO (DEC. 24) XINHUA - AROUND 10,000 FAMILIES HAVE BEEN RENDERED HOMELESS BY FLOODS AFTER HEAVY INCESSANT RAINS IN AMPARA IN EASTERN PROVINCE OF SRI LANKA, OFFICIAL SOURCES SAID HERE TODAY.

THE SOURCES SAID OFFICIAL STATISTICS WERE NOT YET AVAILABLE BUT AT A ROUGH ESTIMATE ABOUT 40,000 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN DISPLACED AND ABOUT 1,400 HOUSES COMPLETELY OR PARTIALLY DESTROYED.

THEY SAID ALL DISPLACED PERSONS WILL BE PROVIDED WITH DRY RATIONS AND COOKED MEALS.

MORE THAN 7,000 ACRES OF PADDY FIELDS HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY THE HEAVY FLOODS WITHIN THE PAST FEW DAYS IN THE AREA.

MAIN ROADS ARE ALSO AFFECTED. THE POLLUTION OF WELLS AND OTHER WATER SOURCES HAS CAUSED A DRINKING WATER PROBLEM FOR RESIDENTS IN AND AROUND AMPARA, THE SOURCES SAID.

POLICE FROM AMPARA SAID THEY WERE ABLE TO PREVENT ANY DEATHS BY CAUTIONING THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE FLOOD THREAT AND EVACUATING PEOPLE IN LOW-LYING AREAS.

THE MET DEPARTMENT HERE TODAY SAID THE NORTHERN HALF OF THE COUNTRY IS OVERHUNG WITH CLOUDS AND THE NORTHERN AND EASTERN PROVINCES HAVE BEEN EXPERIENCING CONTINUOUS RAINS FOR THE PAST THREE DAYS.

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#90358h0071 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WUHAN (DEC. 24) XINHUA - SUN HELI, A TEACHER FROM THE WUHAN MAPPING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY UNIVERSITY (WMSTU), HAS SUCCESSFULLY TAKEN CONFIGURATION PHOTOS OF THE ANTARCTIC, WHICH HAVE BEEN A GREAT HELP FOR MAPPING THE CONTINENT.

SUN HELI, 26, ARRIVED IN THE ANTARCTIC IN JANUARY THIS YEAR, ALONG WITH AN CHINESE ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION TEAM. THE YOUNG MAN USED A HELICOPTER TO OVERFLY A 30 KILOMETER AREA SURROUNDING "ZHONGSHAN STATION," THE BASE ESTABLISHED BY THE CHINESE EXPEDITION. HE USED AN ORDINARY 120-MODEL CAMERA TO PHOTOGRAPH THE TERRAIN FROM ALTITUDES FROM 450 TO 3,250 METERS.

A MAP OF THE ZHONGSHAN STATION AREA BASED UPON THE PHOTOGRAPHS WAS RECENTLY COMPLETED AT WMSTU. THE MAP HAS PROVIDED SCIENTISTS WITH IDEAL CHARTS WHICH THEY CAN USE FOR SCIENTIFIC EXPLORATION IN THE ANTARCTIC. THE CONTINENT IS A NATURAL EXPERIMENTAL AREA, OF INTEREST TO SCIENTISTS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, BECAUSE OF ITS ABUNDANT MINERAL RESOURCES, SPECIAL CLIMATIC CONDITIONS, GEOGRAPHICAL POSITION.

AT PRESENT MAPPING EFFORTS IN THE ANTARCTIC ARE ACCOMPLISHED BY USES OF SATELLITES OR SPECIAL AIRCRAFT. IN MOST CASES, HOWEVER, AERIAL PHOTOS DO NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENT FOR MAP MAKING.

THUS FAR, ONLY A FEW COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD, INCLUDING CHINA, THE UNITED STATES, THE SOVIET UNION, GERMANY, AUSTRALIA AND CHILE HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY OF THE ANTARCTIC.

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#90358h0072 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (DEC. 24) XINHUA - THE ORGANIZATION OF ISLAMIC CONFERENCE TODAY CALLED FOR MORE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO HELP AFRICAN STATES GET OVER THEIR ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES, REPORTS RECEIVED HERE SAID.

"I APPEAL TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, PARTICULARLY DONOR STATES AND INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, TO GIVE PRIORITY CONSIDERATION TO THE NEEDS OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE AFRICAN STATES AND INCREASE SUBSTANTIALLY THEIR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ON CONCESSIONAL TERMS TO AFRICA," SAID OIC SECRETARY-GENERAL HAMID AL-GABID IN JEDDAH, SAUDI ARABIA.

THE OIC IS UMBRELLA FOR THE WORLD'S MOSLEM POPULATION OF MORE THAN 1 BILLION. MORE THAN HALF OF THE OIC 45 MEMBERS ARE AFRICAN STATES.

GABID JUST ENDED A TOUR OF 12 AFRICAN STATES WHICH INCLUDED CHAD, NIGER, GAMBIA, BENIN, GUINEA AND SIERRA LEONE.

"THE ECONOMIC CRISIS OF AFRICA HAS NOW ASSUMED AN ALARMING PROPORTION," HE WARNED.

AFRICAN DEBT IN EARLY 1990 AMOUNTED TO 240 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

THE PREDICAMENT OF AFRICA'S UNDER-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES HAS BEEN COMPOUNDED BY THE NEGATIVE REPERCUSSIONS OF THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT AND FAMINE IS ANOTHER FACTOR WORSENING THE AFRICAN ECONOMY, SAID THE OIC CHIEF.

HE URGED DONOR COUNTRIES AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO HELP AND CALLED FOR THE REALIZATION OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ORDER, SAYING, "IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT UNGENT AND EFFECTIVE STEPS BE TAKEN TO REMOVE THE MULTIPLE IMPEDIMENTS TO THEIR ECONOMIC RECOVERY."

GABID CALLED FOR FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF U.N. PROGRAMS FOR ACTION OF AFRICAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND AFFIRMED THAT THE OIC WOULD CONTINUE ITS OWN EFFORTS IN THIS RESPECT.

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#90358h0074 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 24) XINHUA - FOREIGN-FUNDED ENTERPRISES IN THE CHINESE CAPITAL, BEIJING, HAVE ACHIEVED BENEFICIAL RESULTS DURING THE PAST DECADE.

THEY PAID OVER THREE BILLION YUAN IN TAXES IN THE PERIOD UNDER REVIEW, FIRST AMONGST PROVINCES AND CITIES IN THE COUNTRY.

THE BEIJING FOREIGN TRADE AND ECONOMIC COMMISSION REPORTS THAT THE BEIJING MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT HAS APPROVED OVER 832 FOREIGN-FUNDED ENTERPRISES SINCE CHINA ADOPTED ITS OPENING POLICY TEN YEARS AGO.

THE 832 FOREIGN-FUNDED ENTERPRISES, WHICH ARE MADE UP OF JOINT VENTURES, AND CO-OPERATIVE MANAGEMENT OR SOLELY FOREIGN FUNDED VENTURES, REQUIRED A TOTAL INVESTMENT OF OVER 4.35 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS, OF WHICH 1.97 BILLION U.S. DOLLARS HAS ALREADY BEEN ABSORBED.

THE COMMISSION REPORTED THAT 611 OF THE 832 ENTERPRISES ARE ENGAGED IN MANUFACTURING.

ECONOMISTS SAY THAT THE BENEFICIAL RESULTS OF THE FOREIGN-FUNDED ENTERPRISES ARE DUE TO GOOD MANAGEMENT, ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY AND THE GOVERNMENT'S PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT POLICIES.

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#90358h0079 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

SHANGHAI (DEC. 24) XINHUA - SHANGHAI XINYI PHARMACEUTICAL FACTORY, AFTER FIVE YEARS EFFORT, HAS SUCCESSFULLY DEVELOPED A NEW DRUG REPUTED TO TREAT HEART DISEASE.

THE NEW DRUG, WHICH IS TAKEN ORALLY, RELEASES ITS EFFECTS SLOWLY OVER A PERIOD OF FOUR AND A HALF HOURS, THREE TO FOUR TIMES LONGER THAN CONVENTIONAL DRUGS.

CLINICIANS AT THE SHANGHAI NO. 1 PEOPLE'S HOSPITAL HAVE PROVEN THAT THE DRUG IS EFFECTIVE FOR ANGINA PECTORIS, AND HAVE RECORDED A 96.96 PERCENT OF EFFECTIVE RATE.

THE SUCCESSFUL DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW DRUG, A KEY STATE RESEARCH PROJECT DURING THE SEVENTH-FIVE YEAR PLAN (1986-1990), RECENTLY PASSED A STATE APPRAISAL.

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#90358h0080 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

BUENOS AIRES (DEC. 24) XINHUA - SEVEN PEOPLE AMONG WHOM THREE MINORS DIED IN THE CRASH OF A PRIVATE PLANE THAT WAS FLYING FROM THE RESORT OF SAN CARLOS DE BARILOCHE IN THE PROVINCE OF RIO NEGRO TO THE CAPITAL.

THE ACCIDENT TOOK PLACE LATE SUNDAY AFTERNOON 280 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF SANTA ROSA, THE CAPITAL OF THE PROVINCE OF LA PAMPA.

IT WAS INFORMED TODAY IN BUENOS AIRES THAT THE PILOT OF THE PLANE, PROPERTY OF

THE "LAGO BUENO DEL SUR ARGENTINO", WAS IDENTIFIED AS JUAN VARELA AND THAT THE AIRCRAFT WAS CARRYING SIX PASSENGERS.

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#90358h0083 12/24/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 24) XINHUA - PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO HAS ORDERED THE COUNTRY'S ALL FIVE GOVERNMENT FINANCING INSTITUTIONS TO BEEF UP THEIR LENDING PROGRAM FOR SMALL ENTREPRENEURS TO CREATE MORE JOB OPPORTUNITIES NEXT YEAR, LOCAL PRESS REPORTS SAID TODAY.

THE MOVE WAS RECOMMENDED BY ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OSCAR ORBOS TO OFFSET THE POSSIBLE DECREASE IN JOB OPPORTUNITIES RESULTING FROM THE RECENT OIL PRICE HIKE.

PHILIPPINE LABOR SECRETARY RUBEN TORRES RECENTLY SAID THAT A MASSIVE LAYOFF OF WORKERS IS EXPECTED STARTING NEXT MONTH WITH THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE HITTING 13.1 PERCENT OR ABOUT 3.4 MILLION WORKERS NEXT YEAR, IN A TOTAL WORKER FORCE OF SOME 24 MILLION IN THE COUNTRY.

THE FIVE FINANCING INSTITUTIONS ARE THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK (PNB), DEVELOPMENT BANKS OF THE PHILIPPINES (DBP), LAND BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES (LP), THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM (GSIS), AND THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM (SSS).

THE PRESIDENT SAID THAT THESE FINANCING INSTITUTIONS, WHICH USED TO BE IN THE STATE OF "BANKRUPTCY," HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY REHABILITATED BY HER ADMINISTRATION AND ARE BACK IN SHAPE TO HELP PEOPLE IN NEED OF LIVELIHOOD ASSISTANCE.

THE PRESIDENT STRESSED THAT IT IS THE GOVERNMENT'S GOAL TO ERADICATE POVERTY BY CREATING MORE JOB OPPORTUNITIES.

THE LEVEL OF POVERTY INCIDENCE IN THE PHILIPPINES WAS 59 PERCENT IN 1986 WHEN MRS. AQUINO ASSUMED OFFICE AND, THREE YEARS LATER, IT WENT DOWN TO 49.5 PERCENT, THE PRESIDENT ONCE TOLD MANILA-BASED FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS.

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HARARE (DEC. 24) XINHUA - ABOUT 1,000 ZIMBABWEAN TROOPS YESTERDAY WITHDREW FROM COMBAT POSITIONS IN CENTRAL MO- ZAMBIQUE, REPORTED THE ZIMBABWE INTER-AFRICA NEWS AGENCY (ZIANA) TODAY.

THE TROOPS MOVED TO BEIRA CORRIDOR IN LINE WITH A PARTIAL CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT SIGNED BETWEEN THE MOZAMBICAN GOVERNMENT AND THE REBELLING MOZAMBIQUE NATIONAL RESISTENCE (MNR), SAID ZIANA.

THE MOVEMENT OF THE 1,000 ZIMBABWEAN SOLDIERS TO BEIRA CORRDOR HAS BROUGHT TO 4,000 THE NUMBER OF ZIMBABWEAN TROOPS GUARDING THE CORRIDOR IN CENTRAL MOZAMBIQUE, WHICH LINKS LANDLOCKED ZIMBABWE TO THE MOZAMBICAN PORTS OF BEIRA AND MAPU- TO.

ZIMBABWE DISPATCHED THOUSANDS OF TROOPS EIGHT YEARS AGO INTO MOZAMBIQUE TO ASSIST THE MOZAMBICAN GOVERNMENT IN ITS WAR AGAINST MNR AND TO ENSURE A SMOOTH FLOW OF ZIMBABWE'S EX- OPORTS AND IMPORTS THROUGH THE CORRIDOR.

A CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED BETWEEN THE MOZAMBICAN GOVERNMENT AND THE MNR ON DECEMBER 1 DURING THE PEACE TALKS IN ITALIAN CAPITAL OF ROME, WHICH RESTRICTS THE MOVEMENTS OF THE ZIMBABWEAN TROOPS IN MOZAMBIQUE TO TWO RAIL CORRIDORS OF LIMPOPO AND BEIRA, RESPECTIVELY IN SOUTHERN AND CENTERAL MOZAMBIQUE.

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ACCRA (DEC. 24) XINHUA - A PRICE INCREASE FOR VARIOUS COMMODITIES HAS FORCED GHANAIANS TO CUT SPENDING FOR THIS YEAR'S CHRISTMAS.

WHILE TENS OF THOUSANDS OF GHANAIANS TODAY CONVERGED AT MAJOR DEPARTMENT STORES IN ACCRA TO MAKE THEIR LAST MINUTE SHOPPING FOR THE CHRISTAMS, FEW PEOPLE REALLY MADE PURCHASES.

OBSERVERS HERE NOTED THAT PURCHASES FOR THIS YEAR'S CHRIS- TMAS WERE FAR LESS THAN LAST YEAR.

ONE SALESMAN HERE SAID THAT PREVIOUSLY ONE CUSTOMER COULD BUY FOUR OR FIVE DOZENS OF BOTTLES OF BEER OR SOFT DRINKS FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS BUT NOW "THEY GO OUT WITH ONLY ABOUT SIX BOTTLES."

PRICE HIKES FOR COMMODITIES IN THE COUNTRY HAVE REDUCED THE PURCHASING POWER OF ORDINARY GHANAIANS.

LAST DECEMBER ONE EGG WAS SOLD AT ABOUT 30 CEDIS (ONE U.S. DOLLAR EQUALS TO 345 CEDIS) IN ACCRA, BUT NOW IT COSTS ABOUT 50 CEDIS.

GHANAIANS NOW HAVE TO PAY 1,000 CEDIS FOR ONE GALLON OF PETROL INSTEAD OF 280 CEDIS A YEAR AGO.

AS A RESULT, THE USUAL HUSTLING FOR VEHICLES ASSOCIATED WITH CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS AT THE LORRY AND TAXI PARKS IN ACCRA WAS ABSENT AND MUCH FEWER CARS ARE NOW RUNNING IN THE CAPITAL'S STREETS.

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BEIRUT (DEC. 24) XINHUA - ISRAELI TROOPS STARTED THIS MORNING SHELLING AN UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF VILLAGES IN SOUTH LEBANON FROM THEIR ARTILLERY POSITIONS WITHIN THE JEWISH STATE'S SELF-DESIGNATED "SECURITY ZONE," REPORTS REACHING HERE SAID.

ONE SHELL HIT THE VILLAGES IN AN AVERAGE OF EVERY THREE MINUTES, SAID THE REPORTS WHICH DID NOT SPECIFY THE CASUALTIES.

THE "ZONE," A 1,100-SQUARE-KILOMETER STRIP OF LAND NOW POLICED BY ISRAELI TROOPS AND THE RENEGADE SOUTH LEBANON ARMY (SLA), WAS UNILATERALLY SET UP BY ISRAEL IN 1985 ALLEGEDLY TO PROTECT ITS NORTHERN AREAS FROM CROSS-BORDER GUERRILLA ATTACKS.

CLASHES BETWEEN ISRAELI AND LEBANESE RESISTANCE FORCES HAVE INTENSIFIED IN AND NEAR THE ZONE SINCE THE LEBANESE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED COMPLETION OF THE "GREATER BEIRUT PLAN" ON DECEMBER 3.

THE PLAN CALLED FOR CREATING A REUNITED, MILITIA-FREE CAPITAL AND ITS COMPLETION REPRESENTED THE FIRST STEP FOR THE LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT TO DEPLOY ITS TROOPS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING SOUTH LEBANON.

OURI LOUBRANI, ISRAELI COORDINATOR IN SOUTH LEBANON, HAS SAID THAT ISRAELI TROOPS WILL REMAIN IN THE "SECURITY ZONE" "SO LONG AS A STRONG, ABLE LEBANON IS ABSENT."

ON SUNDAY, SLA COMMANDER ANTOINE LAHD SAID THAT HE WOULD NEVER ALLOW THE STATE TO TAKE ANY DECISION ON THE "SECURITY ZONE" WITHOUT COOPERATION AND COORDINATION WITH HIM PERSONALLY.

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SINGAPORE (DEC. 24) KYODO - SINGAPORE'S LARGEST LOCAL RETAILER, METRO HOLDINGS, SAID MONDAY IT HAS SIGNED A CONDITIONAL AGREEMENT TO LEASE ITS ENTIRE RETAIL SPACE IN A MEGA-SHOPPING COMPLEX BEING BUILT IN ORCHARD ROAD TO A COMPANY AFFILIATED WITH ITS JAPANESE RIVAL, TAKASHIMAYA.

THE CONDITIONAL AGREEMENT WITH TOSHIN DEVELOPMENT CO. WAS DESCRIBED ON MONDAY AS ''ONE OF THE MOST STUNNING CORPORATE DEALS OF THE YEAR'' BY THE BUSINESS TIMES NEWSPAPER.

METRO'S WITHDRAWAL FROM THE RETAIL SPACE IN THE NGEE ANN CITY PROJECT, SCHEDULED TO BE READY BY 1993, REFLECTS THE TOUGH COMPETITION POSED BY THE ADVENT OF JAPANESE DEPARTMENT STORES ON THE RETAIL SCENE.

UNDER THE CONDITIONAL AGREEMENT, METRO WILL SIGN A PACT IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO LEASE ITS 21,000 SQUARE METER RETAIL SPACE IN THE COMPLEX TO TAKASHIMAYA FOR 20 YEARS STARTING FROM THE END OF 1992.

THE PACT IS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL FROM THE GOVERNMENT. TAKASHIMAYA WILL PAY METRO AN ANNUAL RENTAL OF ABOUT 28 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS (16 MILLION DOLLARS) A YEAR FOR THE FIRST THREE YEARS. THE RENTAL IS SUBJECT TO REVIEW EVERY THREE YEARS.

METRO HAS A 27 PERCENT STAKE IN THE NGEE ANN CITY PROJECT, WHILE NGEE ANN KONGSI, A CLAN ASSOCIATION, ORIGINALLY HAD A 73 PERCENT STAKE BEFORE IT SOLD 30 PERCENT OF IT TO TAKASHIMAYA. IT ALSO LEASED OUT ALL ITS RETAIL SPACE TO THE JAPANESE STORE.

THE SIGNING OF THE DEAL MEANS THAT TAKASHIMAYA, WHICH ALREADY OCCUPIES 48,000 SQUARE METERS OF THE SHOPPING SPACE IN THE COMPLEX, WILL HAVE FULL CONTROL OF THE WHOLE RETAIL AREA.

THE ENTRY OF BIG JAPANESE DEPARTMENT STORES HAS CREATED COMPETITION AMONG LOCAL RETAILERS, AND RAISED THE PRICE OF PROPERTY IN THE ORCHARD ROAD SHOPPING DISTRICT.

TAKASHIMAYA HAD PLANNED TO MAKE ITS 48,000 SQUARE METER STORE, WHICH WILL OPEN BY 1993 INTO SOUTHEAST ASIA'S LARGEST DEPARTMENT STORE.

IT ALSO PLANS TO BRING A WHOLE NEW CONCEPT OF SHOPPING TO SINGAPORE BY BECOMING A COMBINED SHOPPING AND CIVIC CENTER.

METRO, WHICH WANTS TO CAPTURE A SHARE OF THE JAPANESE TOURIST MARKET, HAD WANTED TO TEAM UP WITH A JAPANESE STORE.

BUT LAST YEAR, SEIBU DEPARTMENT STORE ABANDONED A JOINT VENTURE TO OPEN A STORE WITH METRO BECAUSE LAND PRICES AND TENANT FEES WERE SURGING IN RESPONSE TO THE PRESENCE OF JAPANESE RETAILERS.

COMMENTING ON THE LATEST MOVE BY TAKASHIMAYA, METRO SAID IN A STATEMENT THAT ''THIS WILL CONTRIBUTE SIGNIFICANTLY TO THE IMAGE OF ... THE PROJECT AND TO THE ENHANCEMENT OF ITS VALUE.''

IT ADDED, ''METRO BELIEVES THAT THE LEASE OF THE RETAIL PREMISES IS ECONOMICALLY THE BEST OPTION CURRENTLY AVAILABLE.''

SINGAPORE ALREADY HAS SIX JAPANESE DEPARTMENT STORES AND SUPERMARKETS -- ISETAN, YAOHAN, DAIMARU, SOGO, TOKYU, AND MEITETSU.

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SEOUL (DEC. 24) KYODO - NORTH KOREA, APPARENTLY ANGERED BY UNWANTED PUBLICITY HAS REFUSED TO ACCEPT 800 TONS OF RICE DONATED BY A SOUTH KOREAN VOLUNTEER GROUP, A SOUTH KOREAN NEWSPAPER SAID SUNDAY.

THE JOONGANG ILBO QUOTED PARK KYONG YUN, A U.S.-BASED KOREAN BUSINESSMAN INVOLVED IN THE DONATION PROJECT, AS SAYING THAT NORTH KOREA WILL BE RETURNING THE RICE TO SOUTH KOREA IN THE NEW YEAR.

THE RICE WAS COLLECTED MOSTLY BY CHRISTIANS IN SOUTH KOREA UNDER THE ''RICE OF LOVE'' PROJECT.

ACCORDING TO PARK, NORTH KOREA HAD ORIGINALLY ACCEPTED THE RICE DONATION ON CONDITION THERE WAS NO PUBLICITY ABOUT THE GIFT, AND HAS DECIDED TO SEND IT BACK TO SOUTH KOREA BECAUSE THE SOUTH KOREAN SIDE HAD BROKEN THE PLEDGE.

PARK ALSO DENIED SOUTH KOREAN PRESS REPORTS THAT UNDERWEAR AND OTHER CONSUMER GOODS HAD BEEN SENT TO NORTH KOREA ALONG WITH THE 800 TONS OF RICE.

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TOKYO (DEC. 24) KYODO - THE FINANCE MINISTRY PRESENTED MONDAY A DRAFT BUDGET FOR THE COMING FISCAL YEAR THAT AIMS TO BRING JAPAN'S INFERIOR LIVING STANDARDS TO LEVELS COMMENSURATE WITH ITS ECONOMIC STRENGTH.

THE DRAFT BUDGET ALSO FEATURES CONTINUED EFFORTS TOWARD FISCAL RESTRUCTURING BY ACHIEVING SOME REDUCTION IN GOVERNMENT BOND ISSUES DESPITE SLUGGISH TAX REVENUE GROWTH AMID A SLOWDOWN IN THE JAPANESE ECONOMY.

THE DRAFT BUDGET, APPROVED AT A SPECIAL CABINET MEETING, ALLOCATED 70,347.4 BILLION YEN FOR ITS GENERAL ACCOUNT FOR FISCAL 1991, STARTING NEXT APRIL, A 6.2 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE INITIAL BUDGET FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.

OF THE SUM, THE GOVERNMENT WOULD SPEND 37,238.2 BILLION YEN, UP 5.3 PERCENT OVER FISCAL 1990. THE REMAINING AMOUNT WOULD BE SET ASIDE FOR DEBT-SERVICING COSTS AND FUNDS ALLOTTED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.

THE 5.3 PERCENT EXPANSION IN GENERAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES, THE BIGGEST SINCE A 5.1 PERCENT RISE IN FISCAL 1980, IS CHIEFLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO JAPAN'S 10-YEAR PROGRAM OF SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE SPENDING EMBODIED IN THE STRUCTURAL IMPEDIMENTS INITIATIVE (SII) TALKS WITH THE UNITED STATES.

IN LINE WITH THE FINAL SII AGREEMENT IN JUNE, WHICH OBLIGES JAPAN TO SPEND 430 TRILLION YEN OVER THE NEXT DECADE ON PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS, THE MINISTRY ESTABLISHED A NEW BUDGET ITEM WORTH 200 BILLION YEN FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE NATIONAL QUALITY OF LIFE.

MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID THE FISCAL 1991 BUDGET MARKS A FIRST STEP TOWARD IMPROVEMENT OF ITS POOR SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE, AN URGENT TASK FOR A COUNTRY FACED WITH A RAPIDLY AGING POPULATION.

DESPITE HAVING ONE OF THE HIGHEST PER CAPITA INCOMES IN THE WORLD, THE QUALITY OF JAPAN'S SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE IS BELIEVED TO BE BELOW EVEN THE 1965 STANDARDS IN THE UNITED STATES, GERMANY, AND FRANCE.

THE DRAFT BUDGET, WHICH PROVIDES THE BASIC FRAMEWORK FOR GOVERNMENT SPENDING IN THE NEW FISCAL YEAR, IS SUBJECT TO FURTHER NEGOTIATION AND SLIGHT MODIFICATION BEFORE THE GOVERNMENT ADOPTS ITS FINAL PROGRAM ON THE WEEKEND. THE BUDGET WILL THEN BE SENT TO THE DIET FOR APPROVAL IN LATE JANUARY.

DEBT-SERVICING EXPENSES, ANOTHER ITEM PUSHING UP GENERAL EXPENDITURES, WOULD RISE 10.8 PERCENT TO 15,834.3 BILLION YEN, ACCOUNTING FOR 22.5 PERCENT OF THE GENERAL-ACCOUNT OUTLAYS.

MINISTRY OFFICIALS ATTRIBUTED THE RISE MAINLY TO INCREASED INTEREST PAYMENTS ON GOVERNMENT BONDS OUTSTANDING. THE COUPON RATE ON SUCH BONDS HAS RISEN ABOUT 2 PERCENTAGE POINTS IN THE PAST YEAR.

THE DRAFT BUDGET IS BASED ON A GOVERNMENT ESTIMATE THAT THE JAPANESE ECONOMY WILL GROW 3.8 PERCENT IN THE COMING FISCAL YEAR, MODEST COMPARED WITH A REVISED 5.2 PERCENT EXPANSION FOR FISCAL 1990.

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE EXPECTED SLOWDOWN IN THE ECONOMY, THE DRAFT BUDGET CALLS FOR A 6.5 PERCENT GROWTH IN TAX REVENUE, TO 61,772.0 BILLION YEN, A SUBSTANTIAL DECLINE FROM THE 13.7 PERCENT INCREASE ORIGINALLY ENVISAGED IN THE FISCAL 1990 BUDGET.

THE LEVEL-OFF IN TAX REVENUE WOULD LEAD THE GOVERNMENT TO ISSUE LARGER-THAN-EXPECTED PUBLIC WORKS-FINANCING BONDS, OR CONSTRUCTION BONDS, TOTALING 5,343.0 BILLION YEN, BRINGING OUTSTANDING GOVERNMENT BONDS TO ABOUT 168 TRILLION YEN AT THE END OF FISCAL 1991.

THE TOTAL ISSUES, THOUGH SMALLER BY 250.2 BILLION YEN THAN FISCAL 1990, MEAN THAT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD FAIL TO ACHIEVE ITS ORIGINAL PLAN TO SLASH ITS BOND ISSUES BY 400 BILLION YEN IN THE NEW FISCAL YEAR UNDER ITS FISCAL RESTRUCTURING POLICY.

THE COMBINED SUM OF BOND ISSUES REPRESENTS 7.6 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL REVENUE, AGAINST AN 8.4 DEBT DEPENDENCE IN THE ORIGINAL FISCAL 1990 BUDGET.

UNDER THE RESTRUCTURING PROGRAM, THE GOVERNMENT IS SUPPOSED TO REDUCE THIS RATIO BELOW 5 PERCENT IN THE FIVE-YEAR PERIOD, BEGINNING NEXT YEAR.

THE MINISTRY OFFICIALS EXPRESSED REGRET OVER THE FAILURE TO CURB BOND ISSUES TO THE ORIGINALLY PLANNED LEVEL, BUT THEY SAID THIS IS INEVITABLE, GIVEN SLOWER TAX REVENUE GROWTH AND RISING INTEREST RATES.

''SHAVING 250 BILLION YEN WOULD BE A NEW MOVE TOWARD FISCAL RESTRUCTURING,'' A MINISTRY OFFICIAL SAID.

WITH TAX REVENUE AND BOND ISSUES FALLING FAR SHORT OF GENERAL EXPENDITURES, THE DRAFT BUDGET CALLS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE BANK OF JAPAN (BOJ) AND A TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM A SPECIAL ACCOUNT FOR FOREIGN EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS AS WELL AS PROCEEDS FROM SALES OF THE GOVERNMENT'S HOLDINGS IN NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP (NTT).

IN ADDITION, THE GOVERNMENT WOULD FREEZE A PORTION OF ITS TAX GRANTS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.

ALONG WITH THE 200 BILLION YEN SPECIAL OUTLAYS, PUBLIC WORKS SPENDING UNDER GENERAL EXPENDITURES WOULD INCREASE 6.0 PERCENT OVER FISCAL 1990 TO 6,589.7 BILLION YEN, A SHARP RISE FROM THE 0.3 PERCENT GROWTH IN THE FISCAL 1990 BUDGET.

THE MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID THESE EXPENDITURES, COMBINED WITH OTHER OUTLAYS FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS IN THE BUDGET, WILL ENABLE JAPAN TO ENSURE THE 6.3 PERCENT GROWTH IN PUBLIC SPENDING ENVISAGED UNDER THE SII AGREEMENT.

IN VIEW OF THE QUICKLY RELAXING TENSIONS BETWEEN THE EAST AND WEST, DEFENSE SPENDING WOULD BE GIVEN LESS IMPORTANCE, RISING 5.1 PERCENT TO 4,372.9 BILLION YEN, THE LOWEST GROWTH SINCE 1960.

THE GROWTH, WHICH COMPARES WITH A 6.1 PERCENT INCREASE IN THE FISCAL 1990 BUDGET, REPRESENTS 0.951 PERCENT OF THE NATION'S GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP), MAKING FISCAL 1991 THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR IN WHICH DEFENSE OUTLAYS ARE KEPT BELOW 1 PERCENT OF GNP.

JAPAN HAD KEPT THE RATIO BELOW 1 PERCENT FROM 1976 THROUGH 1987 AFTER WHICH THEN PRIME MINISTER YASUHIRO NAKASONE SCRAPPED THE CABINET-IMPOSED LIMIT UNDER PRESSURE FROM WASHINGTON TO SHARE MORE OF THE DEFENSE BURDEN.

THE DRAFT BUDGET ALSO EARMARKS ABOUT 865.0 BILLION YEN FOR OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE (ODA), OR AID TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, AN AROUND 5.8 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE FISCAL 1990 BUDGET.

THE INCREASE, COMPARED WITH 8.2 PERCENT GROWTH IN FISCAL 1990, IS FAR SMALLER THAN THE 9.7 PERCENT INCREASE THE FOREIGN MINISTRY CONTENDED IS NEEDED TO ACCOMPLISH JAPAN'S PLEDGE TO EXTEND 50 BILLION DOLLARS IN ODA OVER A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD STARTING IN 1988.

OF THE OUTLAYS, 302.5 BILLION YEN WOULD BE SET ASIDE FOR FUNDS GOING TO THE GOVERNMENTAL OVERSEAS ECONOMIC COOPERATION FUND (OECF) IN RELATION TO JAPAN'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE SO-CALLED FRONTLINE NATIONS -- EGYPT, JORDAN, AND TURKEY -- THAT HAVE BEEN HARDEST HIT BY THE CRISIS IN THE PERSIAN GULF.

THE ODA OUTLAYS WOULD CONFIRM JAPAN'S POSITION AS THE WORLD'S TOP DONOR OF ODA FUNDS ON A DOLLAR-BASIS FOR THE THIRD STRAIGHT YEAR.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE MINISTRY PROPOSED A MILD 5.2 PERCENT GROWTH IN THE FISCAL INVESTMENT AND LOANS PROGRAM TO 36,362.2 TRILLION YEN FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR.

THE PROGRAM, KNOWN AS THE SECOND BUDGET, DRAWS ON RESOURCES FROM POSTAL-SAVINGS ACCOUNTS AND OTHER NON-TAX REVENUE AND IS USED FOR SPENDING ON HOUSING LOANS, ROADS, AND OTHER ITEMS.

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TOKYO (DEC. 24) KYODO - THE FINANCE MINISTRY PROPOSED ON MONDAY A DRAFT DEFENSE BUDGET FOR FISCAL 1991 BEGINNING APRIL NEXT YEAR TOTALING 4,372.9 BILLION YEN, UP 5.1 PERCENT OVER THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR, BUT POSTING THE LOWEST INCREASE IN 31 YEARS.

THE 5.1 PERCENT INCREASE IS THE LOWEST SINCE 1961 WHEN THE FIGURE WAS 0.6 PERCENT, THE YEAR BEFORE A SUDDEN LEAP TO DOUBLE DIGIT FIGURE INCREASES WHICH WENT VIRTUALLY UNBROKEN UNTIL 1979.

THIS LATEST LOW IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO A RELAXATION IN TENSIONS BETWEEN THE SOVIET BLOC AND THE WEST'S CAPITALIST NATIONS, A FINANCE MINISTRY OFFICIAL SAID.

THE OFFICIAL SAID THE NEW AUSTERITY IN DEFENSE SPENDING IS IN LINE WITH THE 1991-1995 FIVE-YEAR MID-TERM DEFENSE SPENDING PROGRAM BEGINNING APRIL NEXT YEAR, APPROVED BY THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT ON DECEMBER 20.

THE MID-TERM DEFENSE PROGRAM WILL COST A TOTAL OF 22.75 TRILLION YEN. IT REPRESENTS AN AVERAGE ANNUAL INCREASE IN DEFENSE OUTLAYS OF 3 PERCENT, ABOUT HALF OF THE 5.4 PERCENT ANNUAL RATE OF INCREASE IN THE PREVIOUS 1986-1990 PLAN.

DESPITE A 3 PERCENT ANNUAL INCREASE ENVISAGED FOR THE NEXT FIVE-YEAR DEFENSE PLAN, A 5 PERCENT ANNUAL HIKE FOR DEFENSE SPENDING IN THE DRAFT FISCAL 1991 BUDGET IS CAUSED BY RISING PERSONNEL COSTS AT 1.75 TRILLION YEN AND PREVIOUS CONTRACT COSTS AT 1.7 TRILLION YEN SCHEDULED TO BE PAID DURING THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR.

THE DEFENSE AGENCY EARLIER REQUESTED THE MINISTRY ALLOCATE 4,402.3 BILLION YEN UP 5.8 PERCENT OVER THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.

THE FINANCE MINISTRY WILL FINALIZE DEFENSE SPENDING FOR FISCAL 1991 LATE THIS WEEK FOLLOWING BARGAINING WITH THE AGENCY.

IN ITS PROPOSAL, THE FINANCE MINISTRY REFUSED THE AGENCY'S FUNDING REQUESTS FOR 34 TYPE-90 TANKS FITTED WITH 125-MM GUNS AND ONE AEGIS SHIP, WHILE REDUCING FROM 11 TO SIX THE NUMBER OF F-15 FIGHTERS. ;;MORE NNNN R026 R CA15 R :BUDGET-DEFENSE 2 TOKYO:

DEFENSE EXPENDITURES WERE PUT AT 0.951 PERCENT OF THE NOMINAL GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP). THIS WOULD BE THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR SUCH SPENDING HAS BEEN KEPT BELOW 1 PERCENT. AN OUTLAY OF MORE THAN 1 PERCENT OF GNP WAS RECORDED FROM 1987 TO 1989.

THE RESTRICTION OF DEFENSE SPENDING TO 1 PERCENT OF THE NATION'S GNP WAS INITIATED BY PRIME MINISTER TAKEO MIKI'S CABINET IN 1976.

STANDARDIZED CALCULATIONS OF MILITARY STRENGTH USED BY THE NATO ALLIANCE HAVE MADE JAPAN THE THIRD HIGHEST DEFENSE SPENDER IN THE WORLD. DEFENSE EXPERTS POINT TO HIGH PERSONNEL SPENDING AND THE HIGH VALUE OF THE YEN AGAINST THE DOLLAR TO ACCOUNT FOR THE AMOUNT.

REFERRING TO ITEMS SET ASIDE BY THE MINISTRY, MILITARY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COSTS INCREASED FROM 103.2 BILLION YEN FOR FISCAL 1990 TO 104.4 BILLION YEN FOR FISCAL 1991.

THE MINISTRY ALSO ALLOCATED 46.6 BILLION YEN ON A CONTRACT BASIS FOR MILITARY BARRACKS AT 67 SITES AND 1,159 DEFENSE PERSONNEL FAMILY HOUSING UNITS. BARRACKS AT 43 OF 67 SITES WILL BE IMPROVED BY EXPANDING FLOOR SPACE AND BY ACCOMMODATING FEWER PERSONNEL PER ROOM IN EACH BARRACK.

THE MINISTRY ALSO INCREASED ITS ALLOCATION FOR THE COST OF SUPPORTING U.S. FORCES STATIONED IN JAPAN FROM 168 BILLION YEN IN FISCAL 1990 YEAR TO 177.5 BILLION YEN IN FISCAL 1991 YEAR.

OF THE 177.5 BILLION YEN, 10.2 BILLION YEN IS FOR HEATING AND WATER COSTS, WHICH JAPAN WILL PAY FOR THE FIRST TIME IN FROM FISCAL 1991.

ADDITIONAL DISBURSEMENT FOR HEATING AND WATER UTILITIES WILL REACH 84 BILLION YEN IN 1995, THE LAST YEAR OF THE FIVE-YEAR DEFENSE PLAN BEGINNING APRIL NEXT YEAR, BRINGING JAPAN'S TOTAL SPENDING TO 50 PERCENT OF TOTAL U.S. BASE SUPPORT COSTS.

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TOKYO (DEC. 24) KYODO - JAPAN'S BUSINESS CIRCLES ARE DOUBTFUL THAT THE COUNTRY'S WIDELY-TRUMPETED 10-YEAR PROGRAM OF GREATER SPENDING ON THE SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE WILL REALLY HELP IMPROVE NATIONAL LIVING STANDARDS.

IN THE WAKE OF THE FINANCE MINISTRY'S PRESENTATION OF ITS BUDGET DRAFT FOR THE NEW FISCAL YEAR, BUSINESS LEADERS EXPRESSED DISSATISFACTION THAT THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE NEW 200 BILLION YEN ALLOCATION FOR PUBLIC WORKS SPENDING IN THE DRAFT LACKS FLEXIBILITY.

''THE DRAFT BUDGET DEMONSTRATES THE DIFFICULTY OF CHANGING THE RIGID

DISTRIBUTION OF PUBLIC SPENDING THAT HAS LONG BEEN WEDDED TO ENTRENCHED INTERESTS,'' SAID TAKASHI ISHIHARA, PRESIDENT OF THE JAPAN ASSOCIATION OF CORPORATE EXECUTIVES.

THE 200 BILLION YEN OUTLAY, THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE DRAFT BUDGET FOR FISCAL 1991, STARTING NEXT APRIL, WAS ESTABLISHED IN LINE WITH JAPAN'S PLEDGE AT THE STRUCTURAL IMPEDIMENTS INITIATIVE (SII) TALKS WITH THE UNITED STATES TO SUBSTANTIALLY BOOST ITS PUBLIC WORKS SPENDING OVER THE NEXT DECADE.

DESPITE THE SPIRIT OF THE PLAN, HOWEVER, 25 BILLION YEN OF THE AMOUNT WOULD BE SET ASIDE FOR NONPUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS, APPARENTLY IN RESPONSE TO STRONG LOBBYING FROM VARIOUS MINISTRIES.

THIS DISAPPOINTED BUSINESS OFFICIALS, WHO HAVE HAILED THE PROGRAM AS BENEFICIAL TO THE IMPROVEMENT OF JAPAN'S STANDARD OF LIVING, WHICH IN MANY RESPECTS LAGS FAR BEHIND THOSE OF OTHER INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS.

ROKURO ISHIKAWA, PRESIDENT OF THE JAPAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, IS DISSATISFIED WITH THE TOTAL SUM OF PUBLIC WORKS OUTLAYS ENVISAGED IN THE BUDGET DRAFT, INCLUDING THE 200 BILLION YEN.

''THE AMOUNT IS TOO LOW FOR THE 10-YEAR PROGRAM TO BE ACCOMPLISHED,'' HE SAID.

THE 200 BILLION YEN WILL COME ON TOP OF ROUTINE PUBLIC WORKS SPENDING UNDER THE GENERAL ACCOUNT BUDGET, WHOSE GROWTH HAS BEEN STRICTLY LIMITED BY GOVERNMENT POLICY.

BUSINESS LEADERS, HOWEVER, HAILED THE REDUCED EMPHASIS ON DEFENSE EXPENSES IN THE BUDGET DRAFT, WHICH CALLS FOR A 5.1 PERCENT GROWTH IN SUCH OUTLAYS, THE LOWEST SINCE 1960.

''THIS REFLECTS REALISM TOWARD THE QUICKLY IMPROVING RELATIONS BETWEEN THE EAST AND THE WEST,'' SAID GAISHI HIRAIWA, NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS (KEIDANREN).

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TOKYO (DEC. 24) KYODO - THE FINANCE MINISTRY ANNOUNCED ON MONDAY IT WILL ALLOCATE 90 MILLION YEN FOR FISCAL 1991 TO PROMOTE LABOR-RELATED PROJECTS IN TWO EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, THE FIRST TIME IT HAS DONE SO IN THE POSTWAR PERIOD.

THE LABOR MINISTRY EARLIER ASKED THE FINANCE MINISTRY TO ALLOCATE 212 MILLION YEN FOR HUNGARY AND POLAND THROUGH THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATION (ILO) BECAUSE OF A NEED FOR TECHNICAL AND MANAGEMENT TRAINING ASSISTANCE TO THE COUNTRIES, A LABOR MINISTRY OFFICIAL SAID.

HUNGARY AND POLAND HOPE TO RECEIVE TECHNICAL AND MANAGEMENT TRAINING AID. THEIR GOVERNMENTS SAY THE AID WILL BE ONE WAY TO STOP A DETERIORATION IN THEIR ECONOMIES SINCE LATE LAST YEAR.

THE FINANCE MINISTRY ALSO PROPOSED ALLOCATING 3.3 BILLION YEN FOR A SHARE OF COSTS WHICH JAPAN WILL EXTEND TO THE ILO FOR FISCAL 1991, UP FROM 2.7 BILLION YEN FOR FISCAL 1990.

LABOR-RELATED AID TO THE TWO EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES AND SHARE COSTS FOR THE ILO ARE PART OF 13.87 BILLION YEN FOR INTERNATIONAL LABOR COOPERATION, WHICH THE LABOR MINISTRY EARLIER ASKED THE FINANCE MINISTRY TO ALLOCATE.

THE LABOR AND FINANCE MINISTRIES ARE EXPECTED TO ENTER A ROUND OF BARGAINING OVER THE LABOR BUDGET FOR FISCAL 1991 TO FINALIZE IT BY LATE THIS WEEK.

THE LABOR MINISTRY SOUGHT TO RECEIVE 544.5 BILLION YEN FOR FISCAL 1991 FROM THE FINANCE MINISTRY LAST AUGUST, UP 5.7 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR.

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TOKYO (DEC. 24) KYODO - THE GOVERNMENT PLANS TO SPEND 4 BILLION YEN FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW HOME FOR EMPEROR AKIHITO AT THE IMPERIAL PALACE, ACCORDING TO A DRAFT BUDGET ANNOUNCED BY THE FINANCE MINISTRY MONDAY.

THE RESIDENCE, A MODERN TWO-STORY FERROCONCRETE STRUCTURE, IS SLATED FOR COMPLETION IN THE SPRING OF 1993. AT PRESENT, EMPEROR AKIHITO, EMPRESS MICHIKO, AND THEIR DAUGHTER NORI LIVE AT THE AKASAKA PALACE, THE RESIDENCE THEY HAVE OCCUPIED SINCE THE EMPEROR WAS A CROWN PRINCE.

THE BUDGET OUTLINED BY THE FINANCE MINISTRY SETS ASIDE 2,065 MILLION YEN AS CONSTRUCTION COST FOR FISCAL 1991, PART OF A TWO-YEAR 3,825 MILLION YEN CONSTRUCTION BUDGET FOR THE NEW PALACE, KNOWN PROVISIONALLY AS THE NEW FUKIAGE PALACE.

TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST IS EXPECTED TO TOP 4 BILLION YEN, IF THE 134 MILLION YEN SPENT FOR DESIGN OF THE NEW IMPERIAL RESIDENCE AND ANCILLARY FACILITIES ARE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.

THE PLANNED BUILDING HAS A TOTAL FLOOR SPACE OF 4,500 SQUARE METERS, TO BE BUILT WITHIN THE FUKIAGE GARDENS INSIDE THE MOATED IMPERIAL PALACE.

UNLIKE THE SMALLER FUKIAGE PALACE ONCE OCCUPIED BY EMPEROR SHOWA AND NOW BY HIS WIDOW, DOWAGER NAGAKO, THE NEW IMPERIAL RESIDENCE WILL HAVE ACCOMMODATION FACILITIES FOR STATE GUESTS FROM OVERSEAS.

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TOKYO (DEC. 24) KYODO - THE FINANCE MINISTRY PROPOSED MONDAY TO ALLOCATE MORE FUNDS IN ITS DRAFT BUDGET FOR FISCAL 1991 TO ENCOURAGE COUPLES TO HAVE MORE CHILDREN AND STOP A DECLINE IN JAPAN'S BIRTHRATE.

THE MINISTRY SAID IT PLANS TO ALLOCATE 200 BILLION YEN, UP FROM 150 BILLION YEN IN THE CURRENT BUDGET, TO INCREASE GOVERNMENT CHILD-CARE ASSISTANCE.

A REPORT OF THE HEALTH AND WELFARE MINISTRY RELEASED IN JUNE SAID JAPAN'S BIRTHRATE FELL TO A RECORD LOW OF 1.57 CHILDREN PER WOMAN IN 1989.

ALARMED BY THE REPORT, THE HEALTH AND WELFARE MINISTRY AND THE RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY HAVE PRESSED THE GOVERNMENT TO BOLSTER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY FAMILIES.

UNDER THE FINANCE MINISTRY DRAFT BUDGET, THE GOVERNMENT WILL PROVIDE FAMILIES WITH A MONTHLY ALLOWANCE OF 5,000 YEN EACH FOR THEIR FIRST AND SECOND CHILDREN AND 10,000 YEN FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT CHILD.

AT PRESENT, ONLY FAMILIES WITH A SECOND CHILD ARE ENTITLED TO CHILD-CARE ASSISTANCE. THE AMOUNT IS 2,500 YEN PER MONTH FOR THE SECOND CHILD AND 5,000 YEN FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT CHILD.

THERE IS, HOWEVER, A CATCH UNDER THE PROPOSED SYSTEM. WHILE UNDER THE PRESENT SYSTEM FAMILIES ARE ENTITLED TO COLLECT CHILD ALLOWANCE UNTIL THEIR CHILDREN ENTER PRIMARY SCHOOL -- GENERALLY AT THE AGE OF SIX -- THE NEW CHILD-CARE ENTITLEMENT STOPS WHEN THE CHILD TURNS THREE YEARS OLD.

THE MINISTRY ALSO PROPOSED SUBSIDIES OF 5 MILLION YEN A YEAR FOR EVERY NURSERY IN THE COUNTRY TO ENABLE THE CHILD-CARE FACILITIES TO EXTEND THEIR NURSERY HOURS TO 10 P.M.

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TOKYO (DEC. 24) KYODO - THE FINANCE MINISTRY MONDAY WITHHELD GOVERNMENT FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN AIRPORT ON CORAL-RICH ISHIGAKI ISLAND IN OKINAWA PREFECTURE UNDER THE BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR THE NEW FISCAL YEAR.

THE TRANSPORT MINISTRY REQUESTED 360 MILLION YEN TO START THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE AIRPORT IN FISCAL 1991, BUT THE FINANCE MINISTRY REJECTED THE REQUEST, SAYING IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO START CONSTRUCTION BECAUSE THE OKINAWA PREFECTURAL GOVERNMENT PLANS TO RECONSIDER THE PROJECT.

INSTEAD, THE FINANCE MINISTRY ALLOCATED 9 MILLION YEN, OUT OF AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT FUNDS FOR OKINAWA, AS INVESTIGATING COSTS FOR THE PROJECT.

ENVIRONMENTALISTS CLAIM CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW AIRPORT WOULD THREATEN THE

EXISTENCE OF THE WORLD'S OLDEST BLUE CORAL REEF LOCATED OFF ISHIGAKI ISLAND, SOME 400 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF THE MAIN ISLAND OF OKINAWA.

APART FROM ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS, THE ISHIKAGI AIRPORT PROJECT HAS ALSO BEEN BOGGED DOWN IN CONTROVERSIES SURROUNDING LAND ACQUISITION AT THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION SITE.

POLICE IN OKINAWA ARE INVESTIGATING A COMPANY IN CONNECTION WITH AN ALLEGED SPECULATIVE LAND DEAL INVOLVING THE PLANNED SITE OF THE AIRPORT.

MASAHIDE OTA, WHO WAS ELECTED GOVERNOR OF OKINAWA LAST MONTH, HAS CALLED FOR A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION INTO THE SCANDAL AND FOR CONSERVATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT.

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#90358k0026 12/24/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SEOUL (DEC. 24) KYODO - PRESIDENT ROH TAE WOO INDICATED MONDAY THAT FORMER PRESIDENT CHUN DOO HWAN SHOULD RETURN FROM SELF-IMPOSED INTERNAL EXILE AT A MOUNTAIN MONASTERY BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR, YONHAP NEWS AGENCY REPORTED.

ROH WAS QUOTED AS SAYING CHUN AND HIS WIFE, LEE SOON JA, OUGHT TO END THEIR TWO YEARS OF SECLUSION AT THE PAEKDAM BUDDHIST TEMPLE AND RETURN TO SEOUL TO LIVE A NORMAL LIFE.

''THEY SHOULD END THEIR RECLUSIVE LIFE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IT SHOULD BE WITHIN THE YEAR,'' ROH REPORTEDLY SAID.

CHUN'S LEGAL COUNSEL LEE YANG U, HOWEVER, SAID HE HAD NOT HEARD THAT CHUN IS INTENDING TO END HIS SECLUSION. ''THIS IS NEWS TO ME,'' HE SAID.

THE FORMER PRESIDENT LEFT SEOUL IN NOVEMBER 1988 AND RETREATED TO THE TEMPLE EAST OF SEOUL AFTER PUBLICLY APOLOGIZING FOR ABUSES DURING HIS SEVEN-YEAR RULE FROM 1979 TO 1988.

CHUN PROMISED TO SURRENDER ALL HIS PERSONAL PROPERTY, INCLUDING HIS HOUSE, AND RETURN SOME 20 MILLION DOLLARS IN POLITICAL FUNDS TO THE STATE.

ROH SAID IT IS NOT APPROPRIATE FOR CHUN TO HAND OVER HIS OWN HOUSE, HIS ONLY PRIVATE RESIDENCE, TO THE GOVERNMENT.

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 24) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY &

ECONOMY.

British shares are lower, with the FTSE off 8 points in early afternoon trading ... Tokyo exchanges are closed. ... The dollar is higher and the long bond is priced to yield 8.28%. ... Brent crude is up 80 cents to $26.60. ... PAN AM CORP.'s board says it may accept a $375 million takeover offer from TRANS WORLD AIRLINES, but will need short-term financing to complete a deal. ... TEXAS INSTRUMENTS says it has reached an agreement with SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS for greatly increased semiconductor royalty payments from the Japanese company. bonds for stock, a move that would give them a 92% stake in the bank and reduce debt from $705 million to $100 million. Meanwhile, the bank has settled a civil fraud suit with the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION by neither denying or admitting guilt, but agreeing to correct its third-quarter 1989 financial statement.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

Most financial markets close today at 2 p.m. ... Tomorrow: MERRY CHRISTMAS. ... Automakers report mid-December sales on Wednesday and the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS reports on existing home sales for November. ... On Thursday, the COMMERCE DEPARTMENT issues durable goods statistics for November and THE CONFERENCE BOARD puts out its December consumer confidence index. On Friday, COMMERCE issues leading economic indicators for November and the LABOR DEPARTMENT puts out the November import and export price indexes. ... Japan's FINANCE MINISTRY has started an investigation into whether Japanese brokerage houses intimidated two Japanese companies into canceling an agreement to issue new bonds through SALOMON BROTHERS.

FROM THE BULLS:

"I think this market made a major bottom at its October low," says GENE SEAGLE at GRUNTAL & CO. "We've had a number of higher highs and higher lows confirmed by both averages which, to me, is a Dow theory signal that hasn't been talked about very much. The trend of the market has turned up out of a rather large-sized saucer bottom. The big Christmas present to the bulls was the move by the FEDERAL RESERVE. The one wild card is the Middle East, but a great deal of that is already in the market. ... But to my mind it [even a shooting war] isn't going to turn this market from a bull to a bear. I think we've got a return to the old highs of 3000 [on the Dow] probably some time in the first half of the new year." (CNBC "Market Wrap- Up", 12/21)

"We're more optimistic than we have been in a long time," says ROBERT CHESEK, manager of the PHOENIX GROWTH FUND. "People are talking about failures in the banking system and war in the Mideast. Nobody's looking past the next quarter. ... I think 1991 will be a pretty good year and it will continue through 1992. Then we'll probably overdo the damn thing and we'll have a correction." (WSJ,

12/24)

FRANK CAPPIELLO says stocks "probably are on a comeback trail for real. If you take a contrary view, everything is gloomy out there. This is the worst psychological depression in the economy I've ever seen. ... The recent survey of investment advisers indicated that 16 percent of them are bullish, as opposed to 31 percent last week. That's extraordinary. ... I would say that the majority is waiting for the market to top out in here and come down to 2100 or 2200. ... I would be worried about being out of the market at this stage -- very worried." ("Wall Street Week", 12/21)

"I think very short-term it might be tough to have a significant rally, but the overall rally that began in October is not complete," says STEVEN SHOBIN at MERRILL LYNCH. "I kind of look for a two-phase rally -- the first phase ending soon, somewhere around 2650-2660, then a little interim pullback and then possibly sometime in the first quarter of 1991 another good shot on the upside." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/21)

FROM THE BEARS:

None of the four market experts interviewed by "Barron's" for their 1991 outlook believes the bear market over -- but they differ on how far down it will work. JOE FESHBACH at SHEARSON LEHMAN sees the current rally ending in a slide toward about 2400 on the Dow and then a recovery next year to 2700-2800. STEVE LEUTHOLD of the LEUTHOLD GROUP also expects a recovery late next year, but only after the Dow goes down to 2100-2200. NED DAVIS of the research company that carries his name thinks the current rally could go to 2700, but looks for a slide below 2000 later in 1991. BOB FERRELL at MERRILL LYNCH expects the Dow to go down to 2000 or 1900, before launching a 1991 rise. He wants to be fully invested in stocks by the final quarter of 1991, but cautions that the Dow may do not better than bounce in a trading range between 2000 and 3000 for the next four or five years. ("Barron's", 12/24)

STOCK MARKET:

When concern about the Soviet Union caused stock prices to fall on Thursday, short arbs took advantage and bought back in at low prices. "That's why [triple witching Friday] didn't explode as it usually does, one way or the other," says PETER GRANDICH, chief strategist at AFM INVESTMENTS. He says stocks have been in a textbook bear market rally: "Momentum is waning, we're seeing less new highs. All indexes have only gone back to their previous major support levels -- they haven't gone any further." (CNBC "World Business", 12/24)

"I feel we'll be in a trading range type market for some time, perhaps for two years," says JOHN LEE, who heads PENSION MANAGEMENT CO. of Houston. "I don't believe are in a catastrophe-type market because a lot of bad news has been discounted. My guess is the Dow will trade between 2200 and 2900 the next few

years." He is optimistic longer term, saying the Dow could double to 5000 in the mid-1990s. ("Investor's Daily", 12/24)

"In the next six months I think we are going to see a very good market," says WILLIAM WATERS. "But I think long-term there are a lot of things that have to be shaken out before we make a new bottom. ... For example, price-to-book is about 1.8 and it's usually 1.2 at a bottom. ... Price-earnings ratios are now about 14 on the Dow and they're usually about 10 on the bottom and price-dividend ratios are around 22 now and they're usually around 16 or lower on the bottom. I think we are going to have a new bottom in 1991, but I think '92 and beyond will see a resumption of a real good bull market." He would hold cash and not get into the market until the Dow goes below 2350. ("Wall Street Week" 12/24)

RICHARD EAKLE at EAKLE ASSOCIATES thinks the stock market has been discounting a recession for at least a year. "The vast majority of stocks made their tops in August of 1989," he says. "The economic community is very late in calling a recession." He says the Dow

close of 2344.31 on Oct. 11 was "clearly the bottom." ("Investor's Daily", 12/24)

"I'm assuming the market will move [up] before the economy will move and I think, therefore, the market will start to move aggressively sometime toward the end of the second quarter into the early part of the third," says MONTE GORDON, who will continue to be a regular guest on "Wall Street Week" after retireing next week from DREYFUS CORP. "There has been a structural change in the economy, a weakening of some of the basic fundamentals, and as a consequence the recovery itself will be a little bit more labored and a little slower than we might have expected and might have hoped for. We are not going to respond significantly to the efforts of the Fed to reliquify and to lower rates as we might have done historically. ... That suggests that if you do begin to buy stocks here, where you come in is on the cyclical side." ("Wall Street Week", 12/21)

"If the economy is doing as poorly as some claim, then stock prices appear to be absurdly high at 15 times corporate earnings," says JOHN LONSKI, senior economist at MOODY'S. "That's simply too steep compared to the long-term average of 11.3 times earnings." ("Investor's Daily", 12/24)

Despite the heavy trading Friday, analysts say it was mostly because of the quarterly "triple witching" expiration of index futures and options and stock options. "It's been all expirations-related," observed TIM HELLMAN at DREYFUS. "Nobody did much of anything in the cash market." THOMAS GALLAGHER at OPPENHEIMER saw the same thing" "Nobody's doing anything heavy in the cash market right now." ("The Washington Post", 12/22)

MICHAEL LIPPER, president of LIPPER ANALYTICAL SERVICES, says the action of

mutual stock funds late last week show "a desire to be [invested] in North America" rather than Europe. "I think what we are seeing here is a flight ... out of Europe into North America because people are concerned that this [the resignation of SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDADZE] may be just the first of a number of unsettling events in Russia." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/21)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 24) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

FRANCIS SCOTLAND, managing editor of "International Bank Credit Analyst" in Montreal, says the Fed "will have to cut interest rates a lot more before the stock market and the economy can be expected to bottom out, let alone recover." ELLEN HARRIS, chief investment officer for PAINEWEBBER's domestic mutual funds, says that so far as interest rates and the Fed are concerned, "the [stock] market is very much into a 'What are you going to do for me today and tomorrow'" mood. ("The Washington Post", 12/23)

"The Fed can turn the economy around. The question is, 'Will they?'," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "They're afraid of inflation, they're afraid of the dollar, they're afraid of their own shadows. They have a long tradition of But they're going to have to move pretty hard before this is over. ... If it appears that these moves toward easing money don't have an effect, they will ease some more. ... Money will ease. Interest rates will go down. The economy will come out of the recession [but] it may be very difficult." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/21)

"The recent sell-off of bonds could delay another round of ease until more bearish news on the economy arrives," says JOHN LONSKI, senior economist at MOODY'S. "Most likely that will occur with the release of the December employment report in early January. Ultimately ... bonds will take direction from inflation. ... Bonds may yet get support from a stock market tailspin." ("Investor's Daily", 12/24)

"The working backdrop of the fixed-income market right now is one of a dealer community that doesn't want to own any paper at year-end and an investor community that is unwilling to add any new paper to their portfolios," says DAVID RESLER, chief economist at NOMURA SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL. "But as we move into 1991, the uncertainty in the Middle East and the Soviet Union adds to the arguments that the yield curve will steepen." (NYT, 12/24)

"In the near term, the [bond] market contains a little uncertainty because of

political issues, end-of-year pressures and because of supply," says DONALD FINE at CHASE MANHATTAN BANK. "But if you look further out, inflation is abating and the U.S. economy is weak -- and that is a prescription for lower bond yields." (WSJ, 12/24) THE ECONOMY:

"After eight years of economic growth, recessionary budget plans for at least the first half of 1991 are now a must," writes ROBERT EGGERT, editor of "Blue Chip Economic Indicators." ("Investor's Daily", 12/24)

"The outlook here is quite somber and frosty in most of the nation's retail chains, especially if they happen to be located in New England or the Northeastern U.S. or Southern California," says JANET MANGANO at JESUP JOSEPHTHAL & CO. "These regions have been the most negatively impacted by the frosty sentiments that consumers have this Christmas season." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/21)

IN WASHINGTON:

The SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION is preparing an overhaul of the regulations and laws governing the mutual fund business. "The goal is to allow for the development of new products without unnecessary impediments," says MARIANNE SMYTHE, director of the SEC investment management division. "But we also don't want to do anything that would diminish the protection that investors enjoy under the existing law." (NYT, 12/24)

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#90358p5966 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The carolers have stopped singing. The yule log has burnt to a cinder. And your living room floor is strewn with pine needles, empty boxes and strings of ribbon. If the go-go-go of the holidays has got you down, the following action tips from Dr. Peter Hanson -- stress management expert and best-selling author of "The Joy of Stress" and "Stress for Success" -- can get you on the road to recovery in no time:

-- Walk it off. Most people forget exercise just when they need it most. For many, a constant round of holiday parties, feasts and indulgences can result in depression or stress following the holidays. Schedule some time for your favorite recreational activity. If your schedule is too hectic, at least try walking or some other exercise for a half-hour each day. The result will reduce your stress and rejuvenate you for the new year.

-- Take a break. Even though it is grand to see a house full of relatives and friends together for the holidays, it can be wearing on the nerves. Try breaking away for a brief respite. Take your kids skiing, take in a museum, play or movie or even schedule a weekend away. Hilton Hotels offers a

BounceBack weekend especially designed to reduce stress.

-- A little moderation. A house full of leftovers can be a dieter's worst enemy. Overeating is a major cause of post-holiday stress. Avoid this by limiting yourself to a mere taste of the holiday goodies. If you can't "just say no" say "just one."

Holidays can be the most active, but also the most stressful of times. By following these tips, you can greet the new year in better health and with a wealth of good feelings.

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#90358p5976 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

ROCHESTER, NY (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - A $5,000 grant has been awarded to the School of Photography at the Rochester Institute of Technology by the Motion Picture and Television Products Division of Eastman Kodak Company (NYSE: EK).

The grant is intended to help students in film production courses make films they otherwise might not have had the opportunity to make. The award is one of several to film schools in the U.S. and Canada that will total more than $100,000 in 1990.

"We are happy to make it possible for R.I.T.'s film program to extend its reach beyond normally budgeted film production projects," said Joerg D. Agin, vice president and general manager of the Motion Picture and Television Products Division. "We are confident this grant will be used in ways that will do the most good for the largest number of students. In addition, we are pleased that this grant will help provide the motion picture industry with talented future filmmakers."

Worldwide revenues from U.S. feature film distribution are estimated to be more than $13 billion in 1990. In total revenues, the motion picture industry is the U.S.' second largest export, and films made in Hollywood account for more than 75 percent of box office receipts around the world.

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#90358p5980 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BOSTON (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Michael LeM. Kennedy, chairman of Citizens Energy Corporation, announced today the start-up of the non-profit energy company's Shelter Winter Assistance Program to provide free heating oil to homeless shelters throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Now in its fourth year, the Citizens program has delivered over 210,000 gallons of home heating oil to more than 35 shelters across the state since 1987. Local oil dealers deliver the fuel and agree to bill Citizens at their wholesale, rack price, thereby foregoing their profit-margin. The program covers deliveries made during the months of December, January and February.

"Last December's cold snap showed just how important homeless shelters really are," said Kennedy. "This year, the shelters are facing a double threat: the probability of severe weather and the possibility of rising oil prices due to the crisis in the Persian Gulf. We've had to increase our program budget by more than 60 percent this winter to provide the same level of service to our shelters. Citizens Energy remains committed to supporting these shelters and grateful to the local oil dealers for their generosity and cooperation in this effort to warm the lives of the homeless."

Homeless is the following cities will benefit from this program: Adams, Attleboro, Boston, Cambridge, Dorchester, East Boston, Fitchburg, Framingham, Gloucester, Greenfield, Halifax, Hingham, Holyoke, Ipswich, Jamaica Plain, Lowell, Lynn, Orange, Oxford, Pittsfield, Quincy, Roxbury, Salem, Springfield, Waltham, West Bridgewater, Worcester.

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#90358p5981 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) announced today that the Justice Department has completed its antitrust review of AT&T's cash tender offer for the shares of NCR Corporation (NYSE: NCR) without issuing a request for additional information.

Under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act, the Department had until midnight Dec. 21 to review the transaction, but could have extended the period by issuing a request for additional information.

On Dec. 5, AT&T announced a $90 per share cash tender offer for all outstanding common shares of NCR. Expiration date for the offer is midnight Tuesday, Jan. 15, 1991.

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#90358p5983 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BELLINGHAM, Wash. (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - V. Lawrence Evans, president of Horizon Bank (NASDAQ: HRZB), today announced that the bank's board of directors declared a $.075 per share cash dividend on the bank's common stock,

payable Jan. 25 to stockhoders of record Jan. 8, 1991.

Horizon is a state-chartered, FDIC-insured savings bank with eight offices serving Whatcom, Skagit and Snohomish counties.

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#90358p5988 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PORTLAND, OR (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Oregon Steel Mills Inc. (NYSE: OS) announced today that it filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a proposed public offering of 2,500,000 shares of common stock.

In addition to these shares, the Underwriters will be given the option of purchasing an additional 375,000 shares for covering over-allotments, if any. The offering will be managed by Merrill Lynch & Co. and Paine Webber Inc.

The company intends to use the net proceeds to repay short-term bank debt, fund capital expenditures and for other general corporate purposes, which may include working capital and acquisitions.

Oregon Steel is a producer of steel plate and large-diameter steel pipe with facilities in Portland, Ore., and Fontana and Napa, Calif.

A Registration Statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the Registration Statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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#90358p5990 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

DARIEN, CT (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Hundreds of cases of shampoo and hair conditioner will soon reach troops stationed in Saudi Arabia, Philip Voss Jr., president of Zotos International, announced today.

From the company's manufacturing facility in Geneva, N.Y., product has been trucked to the Picatinny Arsenal in Dover, N.J., where it's scheduled to be airlifted later this week to the troops in Operation: Desert Shield.

The contribution by Zotos is part of an industry-wide effort being mounted by

the Salon Development Corporation of East Hanover, N.J., an owner and operator of 46 hair salons in seven East Coast states.

Voss, a former Army lieutenant, hopes that the company's products, which are only sold in hair salons, will be of some small comfort to the troops. While the Zotos products are largely consumed by women, Voss hopes that the shipment will be appreciated by both sexes.

If troops don't have the time (or available water) to use hair conditioner, he said that the product can double as a waterless shaving preparation.

Zotos, which sells a variety of professional hair care products worldwide, invented the permanent cold wave nearly 60 years ago. The packaged solutions for hair perms, however, will not be included in the shipment to Saudi Arabia.

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#90358p5994 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BASKING RIDGE (DEC. 12) PR NEWSWIRE - AT&T (NYSE: T) announced today that it will provide a free High Seas Radiotelephone Service for U.S. Navy sailors and U.S. Marines stationed on ship in the Middle East from Christmas Eve through New Year's Eve.

Here's how the system works: A radio operator on a Navy ship selects a radio frequency monitored by an AT&T Coast Station. The caller's voice is transmitted in the from of high frequency radio signals and bounced off the ionosphere, a layer of the atmosphere about 210 miles about the surface of the earth.

After bouncing off the ionosphere, the radio signal is monitored at one of three AT&T Coast Stations: WOO is located in Manahawkin, N.J.; WOM near Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; and KMI near Inverness, Calif. The Coast Operator monitors the call, and tunes the antenna to optimize the radio circuit. The Coast Operator then turns the call over to a TSPS or OSPS operator to complete the call within the United States.

The Christmas week free offering follows two weeks of free calling in October and November for U.S. Military stationed in Saudi Arabia.

AT&T High Seas Radiotelephone Service is used primarily to communicate with ships, aircraft and oil rigs.

CONTACT: Rick Wallerstein, 201-644-7066, or at home: 201-771-9570, or Dave Bikle, 201-644-7052, or at home: 201-871-0047, both of AT&T.

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#90358p5996 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

BALTIMORE (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Atlanfed Bancorp, Inc., (NASDAQ-NMS: AFED) announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per share, to be paid on Jan. 15, 1991, to stockholders of record as of the close of business on Dec. 31, 1990. This is the 13th consecutive quarterly dividend paid to stockholders.

Atlanfed Bancorp, Inc., also announced that it is commencing a stock repurchase program to acquire up to 42,900 shares of the corporation's common stock, which represents approximately 5 percent of the outstanding common stock.

Funke stated that the board of directors considers the corporation's stock to be an attractive investment, particularly in view of the recent market price. Atlanfed's book value as of Sept. 30, 1990 was $20.05 per share. According to Chairman Funke, the repurchases generally would be effected through open market purchases, although he did not rule out the possibility of negotiated transactions.

The board of directors of Atlantic Federal Savings Bank, Atlanfed's primary subsidiary, continues to purchase Atlanfed Bancorp, Inc.'s stock as one of the investments of Atlantic Federal Savings Bank Pension Plan under a previously approved plan. The board considers the stock of Atlanfed Bancorp, Inc. to be an attractive investment for the pension plan.

Atlanfed's primary subsidiary Atlantic Federal Savings was founded in 1897 and currently operates 10 branches throughout the State of Maryland. Atlantic Home Mortgage Corporation, the bank's mortgage banking subsidiary, operates loan production offices in Towson, Columbia and Pasadena, Md., and in Newark, Del.

CONTACT: Richard E. Funke, chairman of the board and president, or Michael P. Gavin, executive vice president, both of Atlanfed Bancorp, Inc., 301-938-8610

-30- 1996

#90358p6002 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - McDonald & Company Investments, Inc. (NYSE: MDD) announced today that it expects to purchase $6,120,000 principal amount of its 8 percent Convertible Subordinated Debentures due March 1, 2011, tendered at or below $70 per $100 principal amount of Debentures under its previously announced "Dutch Auction" tender offer, which expired on Friday, Dec. 21, 1990. Each tendering debentureholder whose Debentures are to be acquired will receive a cash payment of $70 per $100 principal amount of Debentures tendered. The tender offer was oversubscribed by approximately $250,000 principal amount of debentures and proration will be required. It is

expected that approximately 96 percent of principal amount of the debentures tendered will be accepted.

Debentureholders were given the opportunity to tender their Debentures at prices between $62 and $70 per $100 principal amount of Debentures. The company determined a single price within that range based upon the principal amount of debentures tendered and the prices specified. The purchase price paid for the Debentures includes approximately $2 of accrued and unpaid interest.

McDonald & Company Investment, Inc., through its principal subsidiary, McDonald & Company Securities, Inc., operates a regional investment banking and brokerage business with 26 offices in seven states, including 16 cities throughout Ohio and 10 offices in Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Massachusetts, New Jersey and Texas.

CONTACT: Gordon Price of McDonald & Company Investments, Inc., 216-443-2795.

-30- 1760

#90358p6003 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

KERRVILLE, TX (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - LDB Corporation (NASDAQ: LDBC) today reported operating results for the three months ended Oct. 31, 1990. Net loss for the quarter was $4,609,000 on revenues of $16,551,000.

As previously announced, the company is continuing to negotiate with its major bank creditors to restructure its debt.

CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (LOSS)
(In thousands except per share data)

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	
	1990	1989
Revenue	$16,551	$16,306
Loss before income taxes	$(4,609)	$(5,542)
Provision for income taxes	--	9
Net loss	(4,609)	(5,551)
Preferred stock dividends - 1990 not declared or paid	113	113
Net loss to common shareholders	$(4,722)	$(5,664)
Net loss per common share	$(2.53)	$(2.98)
Weighted average shares outstanding	1,868,370	1,902,370

CONTACT: Byron C. Smith of LDB Corporation, 512-257-2000

-30- 1383
#90358p6006 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
ENGLEWOOD, NJ (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Switcho, Inc. today announced that it has executed a definitive agreement with Ericsson North America, Inc. under which Ericsson North America, Inc. will purchase 100 percent of the capital stock of Switcho's wholly owned subsidiary Spectrum Communications & Electronics Corp., for $6.5 million.

The closing of the transaction, scheduled for Jan. 31, 1991, is subject to approval of the agreement by the Switcho shareholders.

Switcho is a publicly held corporation consisting of two subsidiaries, including Spectrum, that manufacture telecommunications equipment. Graphic Scanning Corp. (NASDAQ: GSCC) owns approximately 79 percent of the common stock of Switcho and 100 percent of Switcho's outstanding preferred stock.

CONTACT: William S. Wheatley, Jr., of Switcho, 201-894-8000.

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#90358p6010 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
NEW YORK (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Pan American World Airways announced today that A.I. Leasing II, an affiliate of Airbus Industrie, had terminated Pan Am's operating leases on 21 Airbus A300 and A310 aircraft.

In connection with the termination of the leases, the two parties entered into a new lease agreement allowing Pan Am the continued right to use the aircraft until Jan. 20, 1991. Pan Am and A.I. Leasing II are negotiating to enter into new agreements to extend use of the aircraft beyond Jan. 20.

Pan Am said that A.I. Leasing II terminated the leases because, as previously reported, the airline had not paid monies due to A.I. Leasing II, principally as a result of the sale of Pan Am's Internal German routes to Lufthansa in late October.

CONTACT: Jeffrey Kriendler of Pan Am, 212-880-1421.

-30- 987
#90358p6013 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire
WILKES-BARRE, PA (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - At a meeting of the board of directors of Franklin First Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: FFFC) on Dec. 20, Thomas H. van Arsdale was elected a director of Franklin First Financial Corp.

Van Arsdale joined Franklin in November as president and chief executive officer of the company.

CONTACT: Robert H. Andrew of Franklin First Financial, 717-821-7135.

-30- 553

#90358p6014 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange today announced that Mid Maine Savings Bank of Auburn, Maine, becomes the only bank based in Maine and the second New England bank in a month to trade on the exchange. Trading under the ticker symbol MMS, the common stock opened on 200 shares at 4. The bank has previously traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol MMSB since it converted to stock ownership with an offering of 1,380,000 shares in December 1986.

Mid Maine Savings Bank is a federally chartered stock savings bank with assets of $222.8 million as of Sept. 30, 1990. It operates through its main office in Auburn and three branch offices in the surrounding areas of Lewiston, Lisbon Falls and Mechanic Falls; and through its subsidiary, Hampton Co-operative Bank of Hampton, New Hampshire.

The banks provide a full range of banking services for individual customers, as well as professional, commercial and industrial businesses in Androscoggin County, Maine, and the New Hampshire Seacoast Region.

Ralph L. Hodgkins, Jr., president of Mid Maine Savings Bank, commented, "Our listing on the American Stock Exchange is a significant step for the bank, and a positive reflection on our financial condition and outlook. Our shareholders should benefit from the greater visibility and liquidity the Amex provides."

Mid Maine Savings Bank reported unaudited net income of $720,000, or $.52 per share, on net interest income of $5,941,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 1990, compared with net income of $1,169,000, or $.85 per share, on net interest income of $5,266,000 for the comparable period in 1989. With a 9.25 percent equity-to-asset ratio at Sept. 30, 1990, Mid Maine Savings Bank believes it ranks well ahead of other publicly-traded New England thrifts.

ONTACT: Lisa Kravitz of the Amex, 212-306-1632

-30- 2045

#90358p6019 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLESTON, WVA (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Eagle Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: EBCI) and First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Morgantown announced jointly today the execution of a definitive agreement pursuant to which First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Morgantown will convert from the mutual to the stock form of organization and simultaneously merge with and into First Empire Federal Savings and Loan Association, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Eagle Bancorp, Inc. First Empire will be the surviving entity and will continue to operate under its existing name and will be managed by its

existing Board of Directors and management following consummation of the merger/conversion, with the assistance of an Advisory Board to be chosen from among First Federal's current directors.

The merger/conversion is subject to approval by First Federal's members and the receipt of all required regulatory approvals.

The merger/conversion will be accomplished through the offering of additional shares of Eagle Bancorp's common stock at a per share price which will be determined in accordance with a Plan of Merger Conversion which was adopted by the Boards of Directors of Eagle Bancorp, First Empire and First Federal.

J. Christopher Thomas, President and Chief Operating Officer of Eagle Bancorp and First Empire, and Jordan C. Pappas, Chairman of the Board of First Federal stated, "The combination of our companies provides franchise value, economies of scale and operating efficiencies that exceed those enjoyed by our respective institutions' on a stand alone basis. For these reasons together with the long standing close relationship between our companies, our proposed merger makes good business sense and provides for increased opportunity in the future."

First Federal is currently a federally chartered mutual savings and loan association which conducts its business from its office in Morgantown, West Virginia. At September 30, 1990, First Federal had total assets of $46,780,000 and total deposits of $43,790,000.

Eagle Bancorp is the unitary thrift holding company of First Empire which is currently a federally chartered stock savings and loan association which conducts its business from its headquarters and main office in Charleston, West Virginia and nine branch offices located in Aracoma, Beckley, Charleston, Danville, Dunbar, Fayetteville, Logan, Man and Summersville, West Virginia. At September 30, 1990, Eagle Bancorp had total assets of $180,052,000, total deposits of $145,556,000 and total stockholders equity of $31,116,000. The common stock of Eagle Bancorp is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "EBCI."

CONTACT: J. Christopher Thomas, President and Chief Operating Officer, or Cindy S. McGhee, Controller, 304-340-4632, both of Eagle Bancorp, Inc.

-30- 3034

#90358p6020 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - After sponsoring a party for patients' children Dec. 17 and 19, North Philadelphia Health System (NPHS) donated the remainder of the toys, donated by hospital employees, to the local Salvation Army chapter.

Approximately 250 toys were distributed. William L. Vazquez, president and

chief executive officer, said, "We thought about saving the toys for next year but realized that there are still children in our local community who need, and who would probably go without gifts this Christmas. This is NPHS's way of assuring that a few more children receive presents tomorrow."

Girard Medical Center, on 8th Street at Girard Avenue, and St. Joseph's Hospital, on 16th Street at Girard, are divisions of the North Philadelphia Health System. The two facilities consolidated in August of this year.

CONTACT: Katherine Sherk of North Philadelphia Health System, 215-787-2216

-30- 1089

#90358p6036 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Cypress Fund Inc. (AMEX: WJR) today announced the consideration to be paid to shareholders tendering their shares in the fund's previously announced self-tender offer. Tendering shareholders will receive, in exchange for their fund shares, a prorated portion of each of the fund's portfolio securities, and a prorated portion of the fund's other assets (payable in cash), determined as of the valuation date, Dec. 31, 1990.

Set forth below are the number of shares of portfolio securities which will be paid in exchange for each fund share tendered, determined as of the close of business on the valuation date. The fund's closing net asset value per share on the valuation date was $5.40.

Common stocks	Number of shares
American Precision Industries, Inc.	0.027487
Church & Dwight Co., Inc.	0.008851
J. M. Smucker Co.	0.006920
McCormick & Co., Inc.	0.011265
Medicine Shoppe International, Inc.	0.012231
Star Banc Corporation	0.020921
Tejon Ranch Company	0.013937
Tiffany & Company	0.008851
Tootsie Roll Industries, Inc.	0.007564
Williams-Sonoma Inc.	0.018990
Cash	$0.941680

Fractional shares of the portfolio securities will be paid by the fund in cash to tendering record holders and nominees, based on the closing prices of the portfolio securities on the valuation date. The cash paid may be adjusted to account for dividends paid on the portfolio securities after the expiration date.

The attached charts illustrate the total purchase price (valued as of the valuation date) that would be received in the offer by a shareholder tendering 100 fund shares and by a shareholder tendering 10,000 fund shares. The value

of the portfolio securities to be received by tendering shareholders will fluctuate after the valuation data, so that the aggregate market value on the payment date of the securities and cash received may be more or less than the fund's net asset value per share as of the valuation date.

The expiration date for the offer is Jan. 2, 1990.

CONTACT: Donald P. Spencer of Mitchell Hutchins Asset Management, 212-713-3510

-30- 2507

#90358p6040 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - Grey Advertising Inc. (NASDAQ: GREY) announced today that it had secured the agreement of Edward H. Meyer, its chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer, to extend his employment agreement through Dec. 31, 1997.

In addition to and concomitant with the extension, the company has expunged its obligations with respect to Meyer's pension pursuant to his longstanding employment agreements. This was done through the cancellation of a trust fund of approximately $20 million established a number of years previously. The trust fund has been separately administered by the United States Trust Company of New York. Grey has directly contributed approximately $9 million from its general corporate funds to discharge its obligation.

A Grey spokesperson said that the company was pleased to be able to secure the continued leadership of Meyer for this additional period.

The spokesperson continued that the company decided to retire these pension obligations at this time so as to eliminate the uncertainties relating to the dimension, duration and actuarial determinations of them. Moreover, the company expects this transaction will improve its liquidity with minimal earnings impact.

Grey is one of the world's leading independent advertising and communications companies. It is the 10th largest advertising agency (by income) in the United States and 11th worldwide. Its worldwide billings are in excess of $3.3 billion, supported by a network of 223 offices in 84 cities in 34 countries.

CONTACT: Steven G. Felsher, 212-546-2440, for Grey Advertising.

-30- 1812

#90358p6047 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHARLOTTE, NC (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - First Union National Bank is collecting donations for two young children whose parents were killed in a multi-vehicle accident at approximately 10:30 p.m. Sunday on Interstate 85 near the Gaston

County line.

The couple, Ken and Lacy Tippins of 8431 Knollbrook Drive, moved to Charlotte four months ago from Tennessee and were on their way home after a visit to Tennessee when the accident occurred. Their son, Julian, age 5, is in good condition at Gaston Memorial Hospital; daughter Elise, age 3, is in fair condition. No one else was seriously injured in the accident.

Neighbors of the family have set up a savings account for the children. Anyone wishing to donate may visit any First Union branch in Mecklenburg County. Donations also may be mailed to: First Union National Bank, 1607 N. Sardis Road, Charlotte, N.C., 28270. Checks should be made payable to "Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Tippins for Julian and Elise Tippins."

CONTACT: Sandy Deem, First Union Corporation, 704-374-2710, work, or 704-567-1176, home.

-30- 1239

#90358p6056 12/24/1990 ~PR Newswire

UNIVERSAL CITY, CA (DEC. 24) PR NEWSWIRE - MCA Inc. (NYSE: MCA) announced today that the Federal Communications Commission has issued an order consenting to the transfer of WWOR-TV's license to a company all of the outstanding stock of which will be spun off to MCA stockholders as a dividend immediately prior to (and subject to) consummation of the tender offer commenced by a subsidiary of Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd., (NYSE: MC). The tender offer is scheduled to expire at 12:01 a.m., New York City time on Saturday, Dec. 29, 1990, unless extended.

MCA also announced that on Dec. 21, 1990, the United States District Court for the Southern Division of New York denied the motion made by a plaintiff in a purported class action on behalf of all United States citizens who view, or in the future will view, motion pictures distributed by MCA, for a preliminary injunction against the acquisition by Matsushita of MCA. In addition, the court granted defendants' motion to dismiss the complaint.

Also on Dec. 21, 1990, Go-Video filed a motion in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit seeking an injunction pending appeal from the ruling of the Federal District Court in Arizona denying Go-Video's request for a temporary restraining order against Matsushita's acquisition of MCA.

CONTACT: Christine Hanson of MCA, 818-777-3591

-30- 1544

#90358t0317 12/24/1990 ~ts

CAIRO (DEC. 24) TASS - SIX PALESTINIANS WERE KILLED DURING CLASHES WITH ISRAELI SOLDIERS ON THE ISRAEL-OCCUPIED ARAB LANDS ON SUNDAY.

ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING HERE, ABOUT 70 ARABS WERE INJURED. RESISTANCE FIGHTERS SET FIRE TO 10 MILITARY VEHICLES AND 14 CARS BELONGING TO JEWISH SETTLERS. THREE ISRAELI SERVICEMEN WERE INJURED.

IN THE TOWN OF GAZA, PALESTINIAN WOMEN HELD A DEMONSTRATION OUTSIDE THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS COMMITTEE TO PROTEST TREATMENT OF AHMED HASUN -- A RESIDENT OF BUREIJ CAMP, WHOSE "ADMINISTRATIVE DETENTION" WAS EXTENDED WITHOUT EXPLANATION.

HASUN WENT ON A HUNGER STRIKE AND HAS NOW BEEN FASTED 27 DAYS. THE WOMEN DEMANDED MEASURES TO SAVE THE LIFE OF THE PALESTINIAN YOUTH.

THE ISRAELI AUTHORITIES RELEASED ABOUT 200 ARABS FROM KETSIOT PRISON IN THE NEGEV DESERT AHEAD OF TIME. THOSE RELEASED MAINTAIN THIS WAS DONE TO MAKE ROOM FOR ACTIVISTS OF THE ISLAMIC RESISTANCE MOVEMENT HAMAS THAU CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE KILLING OF THREE ISRAELIS IN TEL AVIV.

A MAYOR AND A CAPTAIN OF THE ISRAELI ARMY RESERVE WERE SENTENCED TO 28 DAYS OF IMPRISONMENT FOR THEIR REFUSAL TO SERVE IN THE WEST BANK. THEY STATED THEY CONSIDER IT A MATTER OF HONOUR NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN SUPPRESSING THE PALESTINIAN UPRISING. SINCE THE INTIFADA BEGAN, 131 ISRAELI RESERVISTS HAVE BEEN CONVICTED FOR THEIR REFUSAL TO SERVE IN THE OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES.

ISRAEL BANNED U.N. ORGANISATIONS ON THE OCCUPIED LANDS FROM MONITORING THE POSITION OF LOCAL RESIDENTS. U.N. SECRETARY-GENERAL JAVIER PEREZ DE CUELLAR IS KNOWN TO HAVE INSTRUCTED THAT REPORTS ON THE POSITION OF THE INDIGENOUS ARAB POPULATION IN THOSE AREAS BE PREPARED.

THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANISATION (PLO) HAS DESCRIBED AS INSUFFICIENT THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION ON THE PROTECTION OF THE PALESTINIAN POPULATION ON THE ISRAEL-OCCUPIED TERRITORIES. IT IS ESSENTIAL TO TAKE MORE EFFICIENT STEPS TO PROTECT THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE AND ENABLE THEM TO EXERCISE THEIR RIGHT OF SELF-DETERMINATION, A PLO STATEMENT SAYS.

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#90358t0319 12/24/1990 ~ts

TBILISI (DEC. 24) TASS - AN EARTQUAKE OF MAGNITUDE TWO ROCKED THE GEORGIAN CAPITAL AT 0:30 MOSCOW TIME TODAY.

THE EPICENTRE WAS NEAR THE MANGLISI RESORT, SOME 35-40 KILOMETERS WEST OF TBILISI, WHERE THE TREMORS MEASURED THREE TO FOUR.

NO DAMAGES WERE REPORTED.

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#90358t0331 12/24/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 24) TASS - LATVIAN COMMUNIST CHIEF ALFRED RUBIKS SAID THE INTRODUCTION OF THE PRESIDENTIAL RULE IN HIS REPUBLIC WAS HIGHLY PROBABLE.

ANTAGONISTIC FORCES IN THE REPUBLIC ARE WELL-NIGH EQUAL, HE SAID, AND IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO RECONCILE THE OPPOSING VIEWPOINTS. BUT ORDER MUST BE RESTORED: SOME PEOPLE WILL HAVE TO OBEY THE MAJORITY, RUBIKS INSISTED.

RUBIKS SAID HE REPRESENTED THE POLITICAL CIRCLES WHICH CALLED FOR A REFERENDUM AS SOON AS THE QUESTION OF LATVIA'S SECESSION FROM THE SOVIET UNION WAS FIRST FORMULATED.

"WE ALWAYS KNEW THAT A MAJORITY OF SIX DURING A VOTE IN THE LATVIAN PARLIAMENT WAS NOT ENOUGH FOR THE REPUBLIC TO SECEDE," HE SAID. "I BELIEVE THAT OUR GOVERNMENT WILL OPPOSE THE REFERENDUM BECAUSE IT UNDERSTANDS WHAT IT WILL RESULT IN."

"ALTHOUGH LATVIA'S MASS MEDIA, FULLY CONTROLLED BY THE POPULAR FRONT, ARE SPREADING THE VIEW THAT THE ENTIRE POPULATION OF THE REPUBLIC IS AGAINST REMAINING WITHIN THE UNION, THIS IS NOT SO," RUBIKS SAID.

"WE HAVE POLLED MORE THAN 10,000 PEOPLE AND DISCOVERED THAT THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY BELIEVE IN THE NECESSITY OF A UNION TREATY".

RUBIKS DESCRIBED AS "MISLEADING" THE POPULAR FRONT'S CLAIM THAT ONE MILLION PEOPLE HAD SIGNED THE STATEMENT OPPOSING LATVIA'S MEMBERSHIP IN THE UNION. "MANY OF THOSE WHO SIGNED," HE SAID, "WERE UNDER AGE".

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#90358t0335 12/24/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 24) TASS - JAPAN HAS STARTED THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ITS PLAN FOR HUMANITARIAN AID TO THE SOVIET UNION, ILLUSTRATING ITS GOOD- NEIGHBOURLY SINCERITY AND RESPONSIVENESS.

JAPAN'S GOVERNMENT PLANS TO DONATE ONE BILLION YENS (ABOUT 7.7 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS) TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS, INCLUDING THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS TO PAY FOR MEDICINES FOR SOVIET CLINICS.

JAPAN'S EXPORT-IMPORT BANK WILL ISSUE CREDITS WORTH 100 MILLION DOLLARS TO PAY FOR EXPORTS OF FOOD AND OTHER PRODUCTS TO THE SOVIET UNION.

MANY OTHER ORGANISATIONS AND FIRMS PLAN TO CONTRIBUTE AS WELL.

JAPAN'S EFFORT IS NOT A MERE FORMALITY. IT STEMS FROM THE WARM RESPONSE TO SOVIET PROBLEMS AND THE DESIRE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUCCESS OF PERESTROIKA IN THE SOVIET UNION. PEOPLE SHOW A DEEP UNDERSTANDING OF DIFFICULTIES CHARACTERISTIC OF TRANSITION PERIODS.

INHABITANTS OF KAWASAKI, FOR INSTANCE, HAVE DISPATCHED ALMOST A QUARTER-MILLION-DOLLARS WORTH OF MEDICINES TO MOSCOW, LENINGRAD AND ZELENOGRAD. THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTRY REPORTS THAT MANY PEOPLE TURN TO IT DAILY, ASKING FOR ADVICE ON WHAT AND WHERE TO SEND.

JAPAN'S GOVERNMENT SEES ITS MISSION IN SUPPORTING SUCH PRIVATE INITIATIVE. IT PLANS TO CONSIDER TAX RELIEF FOR ACTIONS OF THIS KIND.

JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO THE SOVIET UNION SUMIO EDAMURA MET SOVIET FIRST DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER LEV VORONIN IN THE KREMLIN ON SATURDAY TO DISCUSS THE PROMPT AND ACCURATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE JAPANESE PLAN TO SEND FOOD AND MEDICINE TO THE SOVIET UNION. HE SAID THAT A SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR URGENT HELP TO THE SOVIET PEOPLE WAS SET UP AT THE EMBASSY. IT WILL WORK IN CLOSE COOPERATION WITH THE SOVIET COMMISSION FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF HUMANITARIAN AID FROM OTHER COUNTRIES, HEADED BY LEV VORONIN.

THE JAPANESE PEOPLE ARE DEEPLY AWARE OF THE SUFFERINGS OF PEOPLE AFFECTED BY THE CHERNOBYL NUCLEAR POWER PLANT DISASTER. THIS IS WHY THE JAPANESE HUMANITARIAN AID PLAN ENVISAGES A 20- MILLION-DOLLAR GRANT BY THE GOVERNMENT TO PAY FOR MEDICAL EQUIPMENT TO TREAT THOSE WHOSE HEALTH WAS UNDERMINED BY THE CHERNOBYL BLAST.

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#90358t0341 12/24/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 24) TASS - HEAD OF THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT BORIS YELTSIN STATED TODAY THAT HE LAYS NO CLAIM TO THE POST OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE USSR, ALTHOUGH THE POSSIBILITY OF HIS PARTICIPATION IN ALTERNATIVE ELECTIONS TO THE THE COUNTRY'S HIGHEST POST WAS RAISED BY MIKHAIL GORBACHEV DURING ONE OF MEETINGS WITH HIM.

ADDRESSING USSR PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES FROM THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, YELTSIN SAID THAT HE "CATEGORICALLY DECLINED" SUCH A PROSPECT.

TOUCHING UPON THE PROBLEM OF SIGNING A NEW UNION TREATY, YELTSIN SAID THAT THE MOST IMPORTANT MATTER NOW IS TO PREVENT THE CENTRE'S CONFRONTATION WITH UNION REPUBLICS.

THE HEAD OF THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT EMPHASISED THAT A NEW UNION TREATY SHOULD BE BASED ON "HORIZONTAL TREATIES" BETWEEN UNION REPUBLICS.

"WE HAVE NEVER WANTED AND DO NOT WANT TO BE INITIATORS OF A BREAK-UP OF THE UNION. ON THE CONTRARY, WE ARE FOR A RENEWED UNION", YELTSIN EMPHASISED.

IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION BY A USSR PEOPLE'S DEPUTY ABOUT YELTSIN'S ATTITUDE TO AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION, THE RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT PRESIDENT EMPHASISED THAT HE IS AGAINST THE "ABSOLUTISATION OF POWER" UNDER WHICH REPUBLICS WOULD

REMAIN RIGHTLESS IN THE FACE OF A STRONG CENTRE.

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#90358t0349 12/24/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 25) TASS - NIKA IS THE ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL PRIZE AWARDED TO FILM-MAKERS BY THE USSR FILM-MAKERS' UNION. THE PRIZE ESTABLISHED TWO YEARS AGO IS CONSIDERED VERY PRESTIGIOUS BOTH BY FILM-MAKERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

SOON, 15 NEW WINNERS OF THE BRONZE WINGED FIGURINE RESEMBLING THE STATUE OF THE GREEK GODDESS OF VICTORY WILL BE ANNOUNCED.

THE AWARD PRESENTING CEREMONY WILL BE HELD ON DECEMBER 28, A NEWS CONFERENCE WAS TOLD HERE MONDAY. THE LIST OF CONTESTANTS -- PEOPLE WHO MADE THE MOST REMARKABLE FILMS RELEASED IN 1989 -- WAS COMPILED WITH THE HELP OF QUESTIONNAIRES FILLED OUT BY MOST OF THE UNION'S 7,000 MEMBERS.

IT INCLUDES THE PHILOSOPHIC TALE "ASHIK-KERIB" DIRECTED BY THE LATE SERGEI PARADZHANOV, VADIM ABDRASHITOV'S SOCIAL DRAMA "THE SERVANT" RELATING THE STORY OF HUMAN DEGRADATION UNDER THE PERNICIOUS STAGNATION EFFECTS, AND MARINA GOLDOVSKAYA'S "SOLOVIETSKAYA POWER" DEVOTED TO THE VICTIMS OF STALINIST REPRESSION.

DOCUMENTARY FILM-MAKERS FROM ARMENIA, MOSCOW AND RIGA ARE CONTESTING THEIR OWN NIKA AND ANIMATORS FROM MOSCOW AND TALLINN WILL VIE FOR THE PRIZE IN THEIR FIELD.

PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED TO SCRIPT WRITERS, DIRECTORS, DIRECTORS OF PHOTOGRAPHY, DESIGNERS, COMPOSERS AND AUDIO ENGINEERS. SERGEI PARADZHANOV HAS BEEN NOMINATED FOR BEST DIRECTING AND DESIGNING, AS WELL AS FOR THE BEST FILM.

FILM-FANS ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO BEST MALE AND FEMALE STAR AWARDS. THREE MEN CONTEST THE PRIZE -- OLEG BORISOV, VLADIMIR GOSTYUKHIN AND MAMUKA KIKALEISHVILI.

CRITICS ARE AT A LOSS TO FORECAST THE JURY CHOICE OF THE BEST FEMALE STAR. NATALYA ANDREICHENKO, MARIAN NEYELOVA AND YELENA YAKOVLEVA ARE EQUALLY POPULAR WITH THE SOVIET AUDIENCES.

THE BEST SUPPORTING ROLE PERFORMER WILL ALSO BE HARD TO DECIDE.

ONE AWARD HAS ALREADY BEEN DECIDED. A NIKA WILL BE AWARDED TO SCREENPLAY WRITER YEVGENI GABRILOVICH -- HIS MANY YEARS OF DEVOTED SERVICE TO THE FILM ART WILL BE CROWNED WITH THE SPECIAL "HONOUR AND DIGNITY PRIZE".

THE CEREMONY, DUE TO BE HELD AT THE CENTRAL FILM HOUSE, WILL BE ATTENDED BY THE LEADING FILM-MAKERS AND HIGHLIGHTED BY A DAZZLING REVIEW SHOW.

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#90358u0039 12/24/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 25) UPI - Team-by-team look at the NFL playoff situation of each contender:

AFC EAST

Buffalo (13-2) clinched AFC East title and home field throughout playoffs.

Miami (11-4) clinched wild-card berth. Dolphins will play home in wild-card game if they defeat Indianapolis Sunday.

AFC CENTRAL

Pittsburgh (9-6) wins division title by defeating Houston Sunday. Steelers can gain at least a wild-card berth if Cincinnati and Seattle lose.

Cincinnati (8-7) wins division title with victory over Cleveland Sunday if Houston defeats Pittsburgh. If Steelers win, Bengals earn wild-card berth with victory and one Seattle loss.

Houston (8-7) wins division with victory over Pittsburgh if Cincinnati loses to Cleveland. Oilers earn wild-card berth if they win, Cincinnati wins and Seattle loses.

AFC WEST

Los Angeles (11-4) clinched a playoff berth and will win division with victory against San Diego Sunday or Kansas City loss Saturday to Chicago.

Kansas City (10-5) clinched a playoff berth. Chiefs win division if they defeat Chicago Saturday and Raiders lose Sunday to San Diego.

Seattle (8-7) earns wild-card spot with victory over Detroit if Houston or Cincinnati loses.

NFC EAST

New York (12-3) clinched division title, first-round bye and home field in second-round game.

Philadelphia (9-6) clinched wild-card berth. Eagles will host wild- card game if they defeat Phoenix or Washington loses to Buffalo.

Washington (9-6) clinched wild-card berth. Redskins will host wild- card game if they defeat Buffalo and Philadelphia loses to Phoenix.

Dallas (7-8) clinches wild-card spot with victory over Atlanta Sunday, or New Orleans loss next Monday night to Los Angeles Rams.

NFC CENTRAL

Chicago (11-4) clinched division title. Bears will play home against Dallas or New Orleans in the first round of the playoffs.

NFC WEST

San Francisco (13-1) clinched division title and home field throughout playoffs.

New Orleans (7-8) clinches wild-card berth with victory over Los Angeles Rams next Monday night if Dallas loses to Atlanta.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney is warning Iraq's Saddam Hussein that ''the clock is ticking.'' At a news conference Sunday before leaving Saudi Arabia, Cheney said prospects for a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis are growing dimmer as the January 15th U-N deadline for use of force draws near.

In response, Iraq's minister of defense is quoted by the Iraqi news agency as saying that- in his words- ''Cheney will see how land burns under the feet of his troops and stooges, NOT in Iraq only, but it will be burnt by Saudi militants.''

Haiti's electoral council officially declared radical Catholic priest Jean-Bertrand Aristide president-elect of the Caribbean nation Sunday. In a speech aired Sunday afternoon over nationwide television, Aristide congratulated the Haitian people for their courage in supporting him over former World Bank economist Marc Bazin... the candidate backed by the U-S government.

Voters in the Yugoslavian republic of Slovenia overwhelmingly voted ''yes'' in Sunday's independence referendum. The vote authorizes the republic's nationalist government to secede from the Yugoslav federation. However, Slovenia's leaders say they DON'T plan immediately to declare independence.

In Serbia, an alliance of major opposition groups is claiming an early lead in returns Sunday from the final round of the largest Yugoslav republic's first post-war multi-party assembly elections. The opposition says it trounced the ruling communists in Belgrade and several other towns. But it declined to forecast whether it'll achieve its longshot goal of denying the communists a majority in the 250-seat Serbian Assembly.

Hospital officials in Dallas say one of six nursing home residents attacked late Saturday by a pipe-wielding man remains hospitalized for observation. The attacker- who also was carrying a Bible- broke into the facility and attacked the elderly residents... then sat down and waited for police to arrive. A former administrator of the nursing home, who witnessed the attack, says the attacker ''may have been deranged.''

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(DEC. 24) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
y-Buffalo	13	2	0	.867	414	234	7-1	W-4
y-Miami	11	4	0	.733	313	225	6-1	L-1
Indianapolis	7	8	0	.467	264	330	3-4	W-2
New York Jets	5	10	0	.333	279	331	2-6	W-1
New England	1	14	0	.067	171	433	1-8	L-13

CENTRAL

Pittsburgh	9	6	0	.600	278	206	2-3	W-3
Houston	8	7	0	.533	371	293	3-2	L-1
Cincinnati	8	7	0	.533	339	338	4-1	W-1
Cleveland	3	12	0	.200	214	441	1-4	L-1

WEST

y-LA Raiders	11	4	0	.732	320	256	5-2	W-4
y-Kansas City	10	5	0	.667	348	247	5-3	W-1
Seattle	8	7	0	.533	276	276	4-4	W-1
San Diego	6	8	0	.429	282	240	2-4	L-1
Denver	4	11	0	.267	309	361	3-5	L-1

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	Div.	Streak
x-New York Giants	12	3	0	.800	322	201	7-1	W-1
y-Washington	9	6	0	.600	352	287	4-4	L-1
y-Philadelphia	9	6	0	.600	373	278	4-3	W-2
Dallas	7	8	0	.467	237	282	2-6	L-1
Phoenix	5	10	0	.333	237	373	2-5	L-2

CENTRAL

x-Chicago	11	4	0	.733	338	259	6-2	W-1

Tampa Bay	6	9	0	.400	250	351	5-3	L-1
Minnesota	6	9	0	.400	334	306	3-5	L-3
Green Bay	6	9	0	.400	258	325	3-5	L-3
Detroit	6	9	0	.300	363	383	3-5	W-2
WEST								
x-San Francisco	13	2	0	.867	333	222	4-2	L-1
New Orleans	7	8	0	.467	254	258	3-2	W-1
Los Angeles Rams	5	10	0	.333	328	392	2-3	L-3
Atlanta	4	11	0	.267	322	358	2-4	W-1

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff berth

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(DEC. 24) UPI - The United States and Israel continue to investigate Friday's night ferry capsizing that killed 21 American sailors. The accident... off the Israeli coast and within sight of the U-S-S Saratoga... is the deadliest involving U-S service personnel taking part in Operation Desert Shield. On Sunday, a memorial service was held aboard the aircraft carrier. Sailors offered a 21-gun salute and dropped a wreath into the Mediterranean in tribute to their mates who drowned.

The four warring Cambodian factions, meeting in Paris, said Sunday that they've agreed on most of the key parts of a U-N-sponsored plan to end the 12-year civil war in the Southeast Asian country. The plan calls for a cease-fire and U-N supervision of the country in the period leading to free elections. But French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas says some major issues remained to be solved... including terms of the cease- fire.

A federal jury in New York has convicted a Brooklyn man of running a multi-Million-dollar drug operation that dominated the borough's heroin market in the late 1980's. Prosecutors say 28-year-old Ricardo Melendez. .. whose gang was directly linked to five drug-related murders and numerous kidnappings shootings, stabbings and beatings... faces a mandatory life sentence. He'll likely be sentenced in two months.

The increasing number of salmonella outbreaks nationwide may change the way American shoppers buy their eggs- pasteurized eggs in the carton instead of raw eggs in the shell. The federal Centers for Disease Control is urging the wider use of pasteurized eggs that are free of salmonella bacteria as a way of reducing outbreaks of the illness.

A doctor at Loyola University in Chicago says some people's claims that they are allergic to the holidays are NOTHING to sneeze at. Dr. Mary Tobin says runny nose, itchy eyes, coughing and wheezing are all common at Christmas

among people with allergies. She calls it the ''Christmas decoration syndrome.'' Tobin says live Christmas trees carry a lot of mold and dust... decorations collect dust while in storage... and smoke from the yule log can aggravate allergies.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	22	4	.846	-
Philadelphia	18	8	.692	4
New York	12	13	.480	9 1/2
New Jersey	10	15	.400	11 1/2
Washington	10	15	.400	11 1/2
Miami	6	19	.240	15 1/2

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	18	8	.692	-
Chicago	17	9	.654	1
Detroit	16	10	.615	2
Atlanta	12	13	.480	5 1/2
Cleveland	11	16	.407	7 1/2
Indiana	10	17	.370	8 1/2
Charlotte	8	16	.333	9

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	17	6	.739	-
Utah	17	10	.630	2
Houston	15	11	.577	3 1/2
Dallas	9	14	.391	8
Minnesota	7	18	.280	11
Denver	5	20	.200	13
Orlando	5	22	.185	14

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	24	3	.889	-
Phoenix	15	9	.625	7 1/2
LA Lakers	15	9	.625	7 1/2
Golden State	15	10	.600	8
Seattle	10	13	.435	11 1/2

LA Clippers	11	15	.423	12
Sacramento	6	18	.250	16

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CHICAGO (DEC. 24) UPI - The Chicago White Sox completed their Christmas shopping Sunday night, trading Ivan Calderon and Barry Jones to the Montreal Expos for outfielder Tim Raines and a minor league pitcher.

Although a White Sox spokesman would not confirm the deal, General Manager Ron Schueler said the trade was done. A Calderon-for-Raines deal was discussed during the winter meetings, but the hangup at that time was Expos General Manager Dave Dombrowski's insistence on getting more than Calderon.

The White Sox were expected to call a news conference Monday to announce the trade.

''Just looking back over the last few years, every club that has won or participated in the World Series has had a quality leadoff hitter that created a lot of things to happen,'' Schueler told the Chicago Tribune Sunday night. ''Rickey Henderson. Steve Sax. Brett Butler. Barry Larkin. And I think Tim Raines is that kind of player.''

Raines, 31, hit .287, with 49 stolen bases and 62 RBI. The switch- hitter, whose best season offensively was 1986 when he batted .334, will fill the White Sox's needs for a leadoff man.

He played in 130 games this season, his 10th in the majors and all with Montreal.

Raines will be reunited - sort of - with former Expos teammate and close friend Andre Dawson, who plays for the crosstown Chicago Cubs.

From 1984 to 1987, Raines became only the eighth player - and first since Ty Cobb - to hit .300 and steal 50 bases for four straight seasons. He didn't reach either plateau in 1988, batting .270 with 33 steals.

The trade fulfills the Expos' search for someone to drive in runs. Calderon, 28, batted .273 in 1990 with the White Sox, hitting 14 home runs and 74 RBI. He also stole 32 bases in his fourth season with the White Sox, and was a much improved defensive player once he switched to left field.

Jones appeared in 65 games for the White Sox, primarily as closer Bobby Thigpen's setup man. Jones, a right-hander, who was hampered in 1989 with elbow problems, compiled a 11-4 record with a 2.31 ERA in the just completed season.

It is the White Sox's third transaction since the end of the season. Chicago also acquired outfielder Cory Snyder from Cleveland for pitchers Eric King and Shawn Hillegas, and signed free agent knuckleballer Charlie Hough.

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TOKYO (DEC. 24) UPI - Christmas came to Japan a little early this year.

An unusual three-day weekend led some Christians to sing their hosannas early and many young people to celebrate with shopping sprees that left merchants ho-ho-hoeing ahead of schedule Monday.

In a land where only 1 percent of the citizens are Christian, Dec. 25th is just another workday.

That lead the Rev. Inoue to hold Christmas services Sunday at the tiny Tsutsujigaoka Apostolic Church.

''It's only two days before the day Jesus Christ was born,'' he told the dozen worshippers and their children who gathered in the unadorned wooden church in suburban Tokyo.

Christmas may not be an important religious holiday to many Japanese, but its secular aspects have a tremendous grip on the public imagination - one that businesses are pleased to exploit.

Piped-in Christmas carols filled the air from subway stations to roof-top restaurants. Wreaths, Christmas trees and holly were everywhere.

Merchants were helped this year by fair weather and a three-day weekend to mark the 57th birthday of Emperor Akihito, whose birthday became a holiday for this first time this year.

Armies of young people swarmed over department stores and shops in search of Christmas presents for their boyfriends or girlfriends.

'Young people prefer to give Christmas presents to their personal friends, rather than the traditional Japanese year-end gift, which has a business connotation,'' said Minoru Inoka, a spokesman for the trendy Parco department stores.

In Japan, where a strong economy and tight labor market have driven wages up quickly, youngsters are formidable consumers.

Some magazines advised young men that one month's salary was the correct amount to spend on a gift for their beloved.

Consquently, jeweled accessories for men or women were the hot items to give for Christmas this year, Inoka said.

Tiffany's Tokyo store was reportedly overrun for its open-heart silver pendant. There was a run on pearls at Mikimoto's, the originator of cultured pearls.

At Parco's Christmas ornaments section, a string of bells that play a carol - under the baton of a semiconductor - proved popular.

Figures for Parco's Christmas season were not yet compiled, but Inoka said sales were better than usual and appeared ready to peak Monday.

But not all Japanese were doing Christmas shopping over the weekend.

Some 175,000 of them poured into Tokyo Disneyland on Sunday and Monday to see the Christmas Fantasy parade there. The crowds were 60 percent larger than normal, a Disneyland spokesman said.

The parade, a rollicking melange of Santa's elves and Disney's favorites, drew an exceptionally high number of young couples, the spokesman said.

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(DEC. 24) UPI- The Montreal Canadiens found themselves in an early 4-0 hole against the Philadelphia Flyers.

But they peppered 49 shots on Philadelphia goaltender Ron Hextall and climbed back to record a 4-4 overtime tie with the Flyers in Philadelphia Sunday night.

The Flyers took a 4-0 lead in the first period, then saw backup goaltender J.C. Bergeron stop the rest of their 17 shots, including three in OT.

Hextall, meanwhile, faced 17 shots in the first period, 15 in the second and 17 more in the third before the Canadiens sagged and did not record a shot in overtime.

''Hexy was great,'' Montreal Coach Pat Burns said. ''No doubt about that. I think they went into cruise control after they got the lead and thought it would be easy. But we scored one, then two, then three and finally four.''

Flyers Coach Paul Holmgren agreed that Hextall made it possible for his team, which is 2-7-3 in its last 12 games, to escape with one point.

''Without Hextall, it could have been 4-4 or worse in the first period,'' Holmgren said. ''There were a lot of scoring chances at both ends early. Ours just went in.''

Hextall took no solace in surviving the barrage.

''We're extremely disappointed with the way we played,'' he said. ''We didn't play well. We got a four-goal lead in the first period and it seemed like we let down.''

Russ Courtnall capped the Canadiens' comeback when he scored his 10th goal of the season at 15:06 of the third period.

Philadelphia's Gord Murphy failed to get the puck out of his own end and Mike McPhee passed to a wide-open Courtnall in the center of the ice.

Courtnall skated in alone on Hextall and beat him to the right side.

Denis Savard scored his second power-play goal of the game at 9:48 of the third period to bring the Canadiens within 4-3. Hextall stopped a shot by Tom Chorske but was out of position when Savard snapped the rebound into the net.

Montreal outshot Philadelphia 15-6 in the second period and scored two goals to cut the Philadelphia lead in half.

The Canadiens drew within 4-1 on Savard's power-play goal at 12:46, his 11th goal of the year.

Philadelphia's Ron Sutter received a major penalty for butt ending Savard and a game misconduct and the Canadiens had a two-man advantage thanks to a minor assessed against Mike Ricci when Savard put the rebound of a Stephane Richer shot past Hextall.

Shayne Corson scored on a wrap-around shot that beat Hextall at 18:22 to cut the Flyers' lead to 4-2. It was Corson's seventh goal of the season.

''It was a good comeback,'' Savard said. ''We made some mistakes in the first period but I don't think we played that badly. We did get 17 shots on goal.''

The Flyers took a 4-0 lead in the first period as Murray Craven scored twice against starting goaltender Andre Racicot.

Craven tallied his eighth goal of the season at 13:26 when the Flyers were awarded a penalty shot because Montreal's Mathieu Schneider closed his hand on the puck in the goal crease.

Craven faked Racicot to his backhand, then slipped the puck through Racicot's legs for Philadelphia's seventh goal in 18 penalty-shot attempts in franchise history.

Craven added another goal at 18:37 of the first period when his slap shot from

above the right circle went over Racicot's arm.

Philadelphia took a 1-0 lead on Tony Horacek's third goal of the season 4:46 into the game. Horacek was alone at the right side of the net when he took a pass from Norm Lacombe, paused to get control of the puck, then scored into the open net.

The Flyers went ahead 4-0 on Rick Tocchet's 23rd goal of the season, 59 seconds after Craven had scored his second goal. Tocchet put the rebound of a Jiri Latal shot into the net.

In other games Sunday night, Buffalo pounded Quebec 10-3, Chicago nipped Detroit 3-2, New Jersey held off Toronto 4-2, the NY Rangers tied Boston 5-5, Edmonton edged Vancouver 4-3, the NY Islanders overcame Pittsburgh 4-3 in overtime, and Minnesota shot down Hartford 5-2.

-- AROUND THE NHL --

Sabres 10, Nordiques 3

At Buffalo, N.Y., Christian Ruuttu had two goals and two assists to lead the Sabres. Uwe Krupp had three assists and a goal for Buffalo.

Blackhawks 3, Red Wings 2

At Chicago, Steve Larmer and Jeremy Roenick each had a goal and an assist and goalie Jim Waite won his first NHL start, helping the Blackhawks snap the Red Wings' three-game winning streak.

Devils 4, Maple Leafs 2

At East Rutherford, N.J., Claude Lemieux scored twice and Brendan Shanahan added a goal and an assist to help the Devils extended their unbeaten streak to seven games. The loss snapped Toronto's unbeaten streak at three and was Toronto first road loss in six games.

Rangers 5, Bruins 5

At New York, Darren Turcotte capped the Rangers' three-goal third- period comeback, scoring the tying goal with 2:37 remaining. The late surge, with the Rangers scoring three times within 6:10, helped New York snap a two-game losing streak. Dave Christian scored two goals for the Bruins and Dave Poulin added a goal and an assist.

Oilers 4, Canucks 3

At Edmonton, Alberta, Esa Tikkanen scored on a power play at 12:07 of the third period to lift the Oilers, who snapped a three-game Vancouver winning

streak.

Islanders 4, Penguins 3

At Pittsburgh, Patrick Flatley's third goal of the game with 31 seconds left in overtime lifted the Islanders to the victory, snapping the Penguins' six-game winning streak.

North Stars 5, Whalers 2

At Hartford, Conn., Dave Gagner scored twice in a 65-second span of the second period and completed his third career hat trick with 2:22 to play to carry Minnesota.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - American forces were ready to attack Iraqi troops ''today'' to drive them out of Kuwait, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said, but Congress will debate the issue of who can declare war and troops prepared for Christmas in the desert.

Cheney was back in Washington after a five-day trip to the Gulf to review U.S. forces in Saudi Arabia and meet with troops who were homesick during the holidays but gung-ho for war.

''We would be prepared today if we were ordered today to undertake military action,'' Cheney said Sunday. ''If there was some clear provocation 10 minutes from now, the allied forces are ready to respond vigorously.''

Meanwhile sailors aboard the USS Saratoga tossed a wreath into the sea in a tribute to their 21 mates who were killed Friday when a ferry carrying them back to the aircraft carrier from the Israeli port city of Haifa capsized.

''We have suffered a very great tragedy. Every man on this mighty ship has had his heart in this throat, tears in his eyes and a knot in his stomach since the event,'' Capt. Joseph Mobley, commander of the USS Saratoga, told reporters after the memorial service. ''It is 21 lives lost. We still have the man whom we have not recovered. We have the utmost confidence that he did perish.

Divers brought up the 20th body Sunday morning and helicopters crisscrossed the water during the service in search of the last missing man in the worst accident involving servicemen participating in Operation Desert Shield.

Altogether, at least 78 American soldiers have died in accidents, including a serviceman killed Saturday when a truck overturned in eastern Saudi Arabia.

Cheney, who stopped in Cairo on his way home, said prospects were dim for a peaceful solution to the crisis because ''the clock is ticking'' on the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait.

Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell said in Washington that Congress will debate U.S. gulf policy when it convenes after Jan. 3, citing differences between some Congressional leaders and the Bush administration over who has the power to order using force in the gulf.

''The Constitution says that only the Congress can declare war,'' said Mitchell, D-Maine, speaking on the NBC program ''Meet the Press.' The president ''does have to come to Congress if he decides to make war and I believe offensive military action in the current circumstances in the Persian Gulf are self-evidently the making of war.

''So I think he would need the prior approval of Congress,'' Mitchell added. ''I told the president that many many times. I regret to say that it appears the adminstration doesn't agree.''

Troops in the Gulf region prepared for a very untraditional Christmas, but for Britain's famed ''Desert Rats,'' now deployed across one of the most barren expanses in Saudi Arabia, it is the way things must be this holiday and their commander expects his 250 soldiers to make the best of it.

''I always say to the lads, bearing in mind that we can't be with our nearest and dearest, the next best thing is to be with the regiment,'' Lt. Col. Andrew Denaro said.

Cheney's visit to Saudi Arabia came on the heels of a statement by Lt. Gen. Calvin Waller, who said certain armored tank divisions probably would not be ready for combat on Jan. 15 and could use another month of training. National security adviser Brent Scowcroft has also preached restraint.

But Cheney told reporters at a news conference in the port city of Dammam he was convinced his troops were prepared for a conflict.

Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, criss-crossed the desert trying to assure the nearly 300,000 troops deployed in the gulf region that the United States is ready for war and can deal Iraqi President Saddam Hussein a knockout punch.

At one stop, Powell was asked by a squadron of Air Force pilots how he liked their A-10 ''tank killer'' jets. ''It's gonna be fun if you get started,'' the top U.S. military commander kiddingly replied, evoking hoots and whistles.

Iraqi Minister of Defense Said Tuma Abbas was quoted by the Iraqi News Agency as saying in response to the defense secretary's statements ''Cheney will see how land burns under the feet of his troops and stooges, not in Iraq only, but

it be will burnt by Saudi militants.''

INA also quoted reputed terrorist George Habash, secretary general of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, as saying his forces would retaliate against any ''aggression to be perpetrated by the United States against Iraq.''

Another alleged terrorist, Abul Abbas - leader of the Palestine Liberation Front and accused of masterminding the 1985 Achille Lauro cruise ship hijacking - said two weeks ago that his followers had picked out U.S. targets for possible terrorist attacks in case war in the region erupts.

In Doha, Qatar, leaders of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council discussed the formation of a military defense network that would guard in the future against aggressive acts, such as the invasion of Kuwait, a member state.

Diplomatic sources said the leaders of the GCC, which is comprised of Saudi Arabia, Oman, Bahrain, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates and Qatar, were considering asking Iran to be included in the security arrangements.

The proposal is in sharp contrast to past policies of the GCC, which supported Iraq during the 1980-1988 Iran-Iraq war.

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#90358u0185 12/24/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 24) UPI - The maintenance crew came prepared as it should for any pregame at Boston Garden - practice balls, mops, electric fans.

These are all essential items when you play basketball at the Garden. You never know when the parquet floor will spring a leak.

The last time the Atlanta Hawks and the Celtics tried to play there Nov. 28, that's exactly what happened. The floor was unplayable because of condensation caused by heat at the Garden. It became so wet and slippery, the referees called the game with 10:30 to play in the second quarter.

They resumed the game Sunday with Boston leading 37-22 and the Celtics rolled over the Hawks by hitting their first 10 shots en route to a 132-104 victory.

Before play resumed, there was concern the game would be postponed for a second time. Unseasonably high temperatures, which caused the original problem with the floor last month, hit the Boston area Sunday. The thermometer reached the upper 60s in the afternoon and there were some slick spots on the Garden floor before the game.

The Celtics took extra maintenance precautions, including the use of electric fans before the game and during halftime to keep the surface dry. A different

type of insulation was used between the age-old parquet floor and the ice surface below. The playing surface was also swabbed by large brooms during all time-outs.

Larry Bird scored 14 points, grabbed 10 rebounds and handed out 10 assists for his second triple-double of the season (and 57th of his career) as the Celtics ran their winning streak to seven consecutive games. Kevin Gamble scored 25 points, Robert Parish 18 points and Brian Shaw 16.

The Celtics have won 18 of their last 20 and 12 in a row at home. For the Hawks, who had won eight of their previous 10 games, John Battle was the high man with 17 points, followed by rookie Duane Ferrell with 16.

Already leading by 15 when play resumed, the Celtics hit their first 10 shots in a span of 4:50, swelling the Boston lead to 57-28. Gamble had four baskets during the 20-6 run while Bird had three assists and four points.

About three minutes into the resumption, disgusted Hawks Coach Bob Weiss cleared his bench. Boston led 69-41 at halftime and increased its lead to 37 several times in the third quarter. The lead peaked at 120- 82.

''It looked like we were worried about the floor,'' said Weiss. ''They weren't and they hit their first couple of shots. Our guys just weren't ready.''

-- AROUND THE NBA --

In other games Sunday, Miami cooled down Utah 99-93, the LA Lakers routed Minnesota 118-94, Portland romped past Denver 132-101, and the LA Clippers overcame Sacramento 109-99.

HEAT 99, JAZZ 93

At Miami, Sherman Douglas scored six points in the final 3:24 to break the Heat's 10-game losing streak. Douglas finished the game with 23 points and 10 assists. Rony Seikaly scored 21 and Glen Rice added 20.

LAKERS 118, TIMBERWOLVES 94

At Inglewood, Calif., James Worthy scored 24 points to lead the Lakers. Magic Johnson scored 15 points and handed out 13 assists. A.C. Green came off the Laker bench to score a season high 20 points. Gerald Glass led the Timberwolves with a career-high 32 points.

BLAZERS 132, NUGGETS 101

At Portland, Ore., Jerome Kersey scored 23 points and grabbed 14 rebounds and Danny Young added a career-high 21 points, and the Blazers held Denver to its lowest point total of the season.

CLIPPERS 109, KINGS 99

At Los Angeles, Ken Norman scored 12 of his season-high 34 points in the fourth quarter and Charles Smith added 19 to help the Clippers snap a five-game losing streak. Wayman Tisdale paced the Kings with 27 points, but only two in the final quarter.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - Defense Secretary Cheney is back in Washington after a five-day trip to the Gulf to review U-S forces in Saudi Arabia and meet with troops. Cheney said prospects are dim for a peaceful solution to the crisis.

Prince Charles met Sunday in Saudi Arabia with members of the British contingent to the Persian Gulf forces. Most of the men were impressed at meeting the prince, but many expressed disappointment that Princess Diana had stayed home.

Members of the pro-Western Gulf Co-operation Council will issue a communique at the conclusion of their summit in Qatar today. Sources say the statement will call for the UNconditional withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait and might contain resolutions on a new defense network for the region.

Pro-democracy activists staged an UNsanctioned rally Sunday at Soviet Square in Moscow to urge the Congress of People's Deputies to reject Mikhail Gorbachev's bid for more presidential powers.

Officials in Yugoslavia say voters in Slovenia endorsed an independent state Sunday, authorizing the republic's nationalist government to secede from the Yugoslav federation. With 55 percent of the votes counted in Slovenia, 94 percent of voters endorsed independence.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - SPORTS CALENDAR

BASKETBALL

No games scheduled

FOOTBALL

No games scheduled

HOCKEY

No games scheduled

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(DEC. 24) UPI - NFL SCORING SUMMARIES:

Dallas	0	3	0	0-- 3
Philadelphia	7	3	0	7--17

FIRST QUARTER
Phil-C. Williams 18 pass from Byars (Ruzek kick), 9:17

SECOND QUARTER
Dall-FG Willis 46, 0:47
Phil-FG Ruzek 29, 7:24

THIRD QUARTER No Scoring.

	Dall	Phil
First downs	11	16
Rushes-yards	17--74	36--178
Passing yards	125	98
Sacked-yards lost	2--15	5--64
3rd down eff.	2--13--15.0	5--16--31.0
4th down eff.	1--2--50.0	1--1--100
Passes	13--37--4	17--29--2
Punts	6--45.8	4--48.5
Punt returns-yds	2--(-2)	4--24
KO returns-yds	2--40	2--53
Fumbles-lost	1--0	4--1
Penalties-yards	5--40	7--65
Time of possessin	24:29	35:31

Cleveland	0	0	0	0- 0
Pittsburgh	21	14	0	0-35

FIRST QUARTER
Pit-Mularkey 20 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 2:31
Pit-Calloway 20 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 4:56
Pit-Mularkey 2 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 8:40

SECOND QUARTER
Pit-Hoge 12 pass from Brister (Anderson kick), 0:52
Pit-W.Williams 1 run (Anderson kick), 11:52

THIRD QUARTER
No scoring.

FOURTH QUARTER

No scoring.

A-51,665

	Clev	Pitt
First downs	10	20
Rushes-yards	16--25	42--197
Passing yards	133	132
Sacked-yards lost	2--18	2--25
3rd down eff.	1--9--11.0	7--14--50.0
4th down eff.	1--1--100.0	0--0--0.0
Passes	14--31--1	12--22--1
Punts	6--40.3	6--35.2
Punt returns-yds	0--00	3--56
KO returns-yds	6--111	1--24
Fumbles-lost	9--8	2--1
Penalties-yards	5--53	5--31
Time of possessin	20:41	39:19

LA Rams	7	3	3	0	--13
Atlanta	10	10	0	0	--20

FIRST QUARTER
Atl-Case 36 pass interception (Davis kick), 1:45
Atl-FG Davis 21, 5:30
LA-Gary 7 run (Lansford kick), 14:38

SECOND QUARTER
Atl-Rozier 11 run (Davis kick), 2:06
LA-FG Lansford 19, 8:15
Atl-FG Davis 23, 14:30

THIRD QUARTER
LA-FG Lansford 25, 2:21

A-30,021

	Rams	Atl
First downs	18	16
Rushes-yards	26--73	35--111
Passing yards	155	170
Sacked-yards lost	2--16	2--8
3rd Down Effec.	2-13-15	3-11-27
4th Down Effec.	0--2--0	0--0--0
Passes	13-42-2	13-21-0
Punts	4--41.3	5--42.4
Punt return-yds	2--25	2--12
KO return-yds	3--42	4--119

Fumbles-lost	0--0	3--3
Penalties-yards	3--15	10--107
Time of possession	28:33	31:27

Tampa Bay	7	0	0	7--14
Chicago	0	14	10	3--27

FIRST QUARTER
TB-Carrier 5 pass from Testaverde (Christie kick), 7:17

SECOND QUARTER
Chi-Tomczak 1 run (Butler kick), 0:56
Chi-Davis 18 pass from Tomczak (Butler kick), 8:52

THIRD QUARTER
Chi-Thorton 12 pass from Tomczak (Butler kick), 8:10
Chi-FG Butler 46, 11:49

FOURTH QUARTER
Chi-FG Butler 43, 11:13
TB-Hill 4 pass from Testaverde (Christie kick), 13:09

A-46,456

	TB	Chi
First downs	13	24
Rushes-yards	26--99	35--119
Passing yards	110	249
Sacked-yards lost	4--25	2--12
3rd down eff.	3-12--25.0	6-16--38.0
4th down eff.	1-2--50.0	0-1--00.0
Passes	11--25--2	18--38--3
Punts	6--32.7	3--33.0
Punt returns-yds	1--8	2--36
KO returns-yds	5--75	2--46
Fumbles-lost	4--1	1--0
Penalties-yards	4--30	4--51
Time of possession	24:30	35:30

New England	0	7	0	0-- 7
NY Jets	7	14	14	7--42

FIRST QUARTER
NYJ-Hector 7 run (Leahy kick), 7:28

SECOND QUARTER
NE-Fryar 24 pass from Wilson (Staurovsky kick), 6:15
NYJ-Moore 6 pass from O'Brien (Leahy kick), 10:04

NYJ-McNeil 9 run (Leahy kick), 13:50

THIRD QUARTER
NYJ-McNeil 1 run (Leahy kick), 7:55
NYJ-Thomas 6 pass from O'Brien (Leahy kick), 14:02

FOURTH QUARTER
NYJ-Taylor 5 run (Leahy kick), 13:58

A-32,250

	NE	NYJ
First downs	18	29
Rushes-yards	18--91	42--239
Passing yards	210	226
Sacked-yards lost	6--49	1--2
3rd down eff.	7--13--53.8	2--5--40.0
4th down eff.	0--0--0.0	1--1-100
Passes	23--38--1	15--16--0
Punts	6--46.7	1--32.0
Punt returns-yds	1--0	3--39
KO returns-yds	7--159	2--46
Fumbles-lost	0--0	2--2
Penalties-yards	14--90	5--33
Time of possessin	25:51	34:09

Miami	0	0	7	7--14
Buffalo	0	7	10	7--24

SECOND QUARTER
Buf-Lofton 7 pass from Reich (Norwood kick) at 8:04.

THIRD QUARTER
Buf-Reed 11 pass from Reich (Norwood kick) at 3:09.
Mia-Duper 30 pass from Marino (Stoyanovich kick) at 4:16.
Buf-FG Norwood 21 at 8:35.

FOURTH QUARTER
Buf-Thomas 13 run (Norwood kick) at 1:48.
Mia-Clayton 11 pass from Marino (Stoyanovich kick) at 14:00.

A-80,235.

	Mia	Buf
First downs	20	25
Rushes-yards	12-35	47-206
Passing yards	274	223
Sacked-yards lost	3--13	1--11

3rd down eff.	5--12--42.0	8--13--62.0
4th down eff.	1--1--100.0	0--0--00.0
Passes	43--24--1	21--15--0
Punts	4--43.8	4--42.8
Punt returns-yds	2--8	2--5
KO returns-yds	5--64	2--41
Fumbles-lost	1--1	1--1
Penalties-yards	5--33	14--95
Time of posessin	23:19	36:41

New Orleans	7	3	0	3-13
San Francisco	7	0	0	3-10

FIRST QUARTER
SF-Rathman 1 run (Cofer kick), 7:46
NO-Scales 5 pass from Walsh (Andersen kick), 14:03

SECOND QUARTER
NO-FG Andersen 30, 4:08

THIRD QUARTER
No scoring.

FOURTH QUARTER
SF-FG Cofer 30, 5:24
NO-FG Andersen 40, 10:17

A-60,112

	NO	SF
First downs	12	21
Rushes-yards	25--84	29--159
Passing yards	110	175
Sacked-yards lost	1--10	4--33
3rd down eff.	2--12--17.0	7--15-47.0
4th down eff.	0--0--000	0--0--000
Passes	10--30--2	22--37--0
Punts	7--35.4	6--33.5
Punt returns-yds	4--29	7--36
KO returns-yds	3--62	2--38
Fumbles-lost	0--0	4--4
Penalties-yards	6--30	6--55
Time of possessin	28:27	31:33

Denver	3	7	2	0--12
Seattle	3	7	7	0--17

FIRST QUARTER

Den-FG Treadwell 49, 3:41
Sea-FG Johnson 21, 14:42

SECOND QUARTER
Den-Humprey 1 run (Treadwell kick), 12:11
Sea-Kane 5 pass from Krieg (Johnson kick), 14:18

THIRD QUARTER
Den-Safety, intentional grounding in end zone, 11:31
Sea-Fenner 1 run (Johnson kick), 14:49

FOURTH QUARTER
No scoring.

A-55,845

	Den	Sea
First downs	116	13
Rushes-yards	30--101	26--110
Passing yards	171	109
Sacked-yards lost	3--26	1--6
3rd down eff.	4--14--296	3--12--250
4th down eff.	1--1--1.000	0--0
Passes	18--35--2	14--26--1
Punts	5--41.4	7--39.0
Punt returns-yds	5--30	0-0
KO returns-yds	3--39	3-70
Fumbles-lost	0--0	1--0
Penalties-yards	8--42	7--52
Time of possessin	31:40	28:20

Houston	0	13	7	0	20
Cincinnati	0	13	14	13	40

FIRST QUARTER
No Scoring.

SECOND QUARTER
Hou-FG Garcia 29, 0:04
Hou-Jeffires 21 pass from Moon (Garcia kick), 3:34
Cin-Woods 1 run (kick blocked), 4:25
Hou-FG Garcia 36, 11:34
Cin-Brooks 56 run (Breech kick), 13:05

THIRD QUARTER
Hou-Moon 1 run (Garcia kick), 2:32
Cin-Jennings 1 run (Breech kick), 8:14
Cin-Woods 1 run (Breech kick), 13:14

FOURTH QUARTER
Cin-Kattus 16 pass from Esiason (Breech kick), 8:53
Cin-Kattus 22 pass from Esiason (kick blocked), 10:16

A-60,044

	Hou	Cin
First Downs	19	18
Rushes-Yards	11-22	35-222
Passing Yards	300	184
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-18	2-19
3rd Down Eff	7-14-50	3-11-27
4th Down Eff	0-0-000	2-2-100
Passes	26-54-2	11-21-0
Punts	3-46.0	6-36.6
Punt Returns-Yds	3-19	3-10
KO Returns-Yds	5-110	4-93
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards	7-64	11-121
Time of Poss.	29:31	30:29

Kansas City	7	14	0	3	--24
San Diego	7	0	7	7	--21

FIRST QUARTER
KC-Paige 8 pass from DeBerg (Lowery kick), 6:05
SD-A. Miller 5 pass from Tolliver (Carney kick), 13:22

SECOND QUARTER
KC-Word 11 run (Lowery kick), 3:47
KC-McNair 40 pass from DeBern (Lowery kick), 13:51

THIRD QUARTER
SD-Bernstine 3 run (Carney kick), 6:07

FOURTH QUARTER
SD- K. Taylor 55 punt return (Carney kick), :20
KC-FG Lowery 32, 12:13

A-45,135

	KC	SD
First downs	20	17
Rushes-yardsx	31-117	21-104
Passing yards	251	151
Sacked-yards lost	0-0	2-14
3rd down efficincy	7-12-58	5-9-56

4th down efficiency	0-0-00	0-0-00
Passes	19-27-0	18-27-165-2
Punts	4-36.7	4-41.3
Punt returns-yds	0-0	2-56
KO returns-yds	4-62	4-107
Fumbles-lost	0-0	1-0
Penalties-yards	6-35	4-21
Time of Possession	33:02	26:58

NY Giants	3	7	7	7--24
Phoenix	0	7	7	7--21

FIRST QUARTER
NYG-FG Bahr 27, 14:14

SECOND QUARTER
NYG-Hampton 2 run (Bahr kick), 11:45
Phx-Flagler 11 pass from Rosenbach (Del Greco kick), 14:15

THIRD QUARTER
NYG-Ingram 44 pass from Hostetler (Bahr kick), 7:29
Phx-Jones 68 pass from Rosenbach (Del Greco kick), 7:51

FOURTH QUARTER
NYG-Hostetler 4 run (Bahr kick), 6:50
Phx-Proehl 3 pass from Rosenbach (Del Greco kick), 12:51

A-31,885

	NYG	PHX
First downs	20	20
Rushes-yards	37--163	21--84
Passing yards	185	368
Sacked-yards lost	2--5	3--13
3rd down eff.	6--13-46.0	7--15--50.0
4th down eff.	0--0-0.0	0--1--00.0
Passes	13--23--0	23--41--2
Punts	6--46.5	4--43.0
Punt returns-yds	3--21	6--56
KO returns-yds	4-76	5-71
Fumbles-lost	1--1	1--0
Penalties-yards	5--40	6--39
Time of possessin	32:16	27:44

-30- 11630
#90358u0322 12/24/1990 ~United Press International
COLOMBO, SRI LANKA (DEC. 24) UPI - Fourteen government soldiers and three

civilian women were killed Monday when Tamil rebels detonated a land mine beneath a military truck that was taking sick troops for treatment at a hospital in the eastern part of the country.

Another five soldiers were critically wounded when the powerful land mine exploded 8:30 a.m. near the eastern port city of Trincomalee, 160 miles northeast of the capital, a senior military official said.

''Eighteen soldiers who were sick were being taken to the Horowapothana Hospital from the Diyatittewewa camp ... when the terrorists exploded the land mine under their vehicle,'' the official said.

He said the driver of the heavy military truck, which was carrying 18 sick soldiers, had also given a lift to three civilian women who wanted a ride to Horowapothana village. The three women and 14 of the soldiers were killed by the blast.

Security forces immediately cordoned off the area and launched a search for rebels belonging to the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, who are fighting for an independent Tamil homeland in the north and east of Sri Lanka.

The land mine attack came less than a week after Tiger rebels triggered an explosion beneath an army convoy in the Trincomalee area, killing Brigadier Lucky Wijeratne, a senior police official and six other soldiers.

Wijeratne was a leading strategist in the war against the Liberation Tigers. He was the top officer in the Trincomalee military district and the highest-ranking military official killed so far in seven years of fighting with the Tamil rebels.

His death led the government to renew its offensive against the Liberation Tigers. At least 92 rebels and 30 soldiers have been killed in the north and east of the country since Wijeratne was slain Dec. 18.

The Liberation Tigers have been fighting for an independent homeland off and on since 1983. The latest round of combat erupted in mid-June, when rebels launched simultaneous offensives against four military camps in the eastern part of the island nation.

Since then more than 3,600 rebels, soldiers and civilians have been killed in the fighting.

The Liberation Tigers claim that Sri Lanka's Tamil minority, which is predominantly Hindu, needs an independent homeland because of years of discrimination at the hands of the majority Sinhalese, who are mostly Buddhist.

#90358u0325 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

SOWETO, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 24) UPI - Black leader Nelson Mandela, recalling his tough prison life and preparing to celebrate his first Christmas in almost 30 years as a free man, called Monday on the black majority to vow never to spend ''another Christmas in chains.''

''The message we wish to convey to you all is one of hope. ... We have a right to be free, and we shall be free,'' the African National Congress deputy president said in a Christmas message to the country.

''Let us vow never to celebrate another Christmas in chains,'' Mandela said, speaking at his home in the nation's largest black township of Soweto, south of Johannesburg.

He noted ANC President Oliver Tambo, who returned to South Africa Dec. 13 after three decades in exile, would be meeting President Frederik de Klerk for the first time Monday on a ''courtesy visit.''

''The South Africa so many have sacrificed so much to achieve is within sight '' Mandela said, referring to the ANC's fight against white minority rule, de Klerk's 11 months of racial reforms, and preliminary talks between the ANC and Pretoria on ending apartheid.

''Together let us walk this last, long grueling mile to reach a non- racial, non-sexist society ... where all forms of racial discrimination are abolished '' he said.

The 72-year-old Mandela, released from prison Feb. 11 after more than 27 years said his own first Christmas in jail was ''very miserable.''

But Mandela said that despite a year of factional black violence which has killed some 3,000 people and threatened to derail the talks between the ANC and the government, he was confident of a peaceful future.

He also repeated ANC predictions that the splintered black opposition could soon begin the process of unification. ''Practical steps may be in the pipeline to deal with this situation,'' he said.

''We have confidence in the wisdom and good sense of the majority to share the hope with you that the New Year will bring all of us nearer to a situation of justice and peace for all the people of our country,'' Mandela noted, apparently seeking to play down a recent war of words between the ANC and the government.

De Klerk, facing a surge of black impatience over the pace of racial reform, last Tuesday in his own Christmas message attacked the ANC for fanning ''the flames of confrontation.''

The ANC had issued Pretoria an ultimatum two days before to push through certain reforms before the end of April 1991 or face a possible suspension of the preliminary talks on ending white rule.

Government sources have since leaked the news that de Klerk intends to meet a key ANC demand, the scrapping of segregationist laws, at his opening of parliament speech on Feb. 1, 1991.

Other demands, including the complete return of all of an estimated 20,000 political exiles by the end of April and the release of some 1, 500 prisoners held for politically motivated crimes, are also expected to be met.

-30- 3190

#90358u0342 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

CAIRO, EGYPT (DEC. 24) UPI - Two U.S. servicemen from the aircraft carrier USS Midway were killed and five others were injured when a vehicle taking them on an off-road tour of the United Arab Emirates overturned, the U.S. Embassy in Abu Dhabi said Monday.

The accident occurred at 11 a.m. Sunday about 50 miles south of the town of Al Dofra while the sailors were riding in off-road vehicles, said Lt. Dane La Joye, a Navy spokesman in Washington.

The names of the dead and injured were withheld, but La Joye said two people were seriously injured and helicopters from the Midway were used to evacuate the victims.

The cause of the accident, which occurred during a ship-sponsored liberty trip was under investigation.

The deaths bring to 79 the number of U.S. servicemen killed in Operation Desert Shield since troops were deployed to the region in the aftermath of the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

Twenty soldiers were killed over the weekend when a ferry carrying them back to their ship overturned off the coast of Haifa, Israel.

-30- 1255

#90358u0351 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, LEBANON (DEC. 24) UPI - Unidentified gunmen late Sunday shot dead an official of the conservative Christian Phalange Party in a second such incident in less than a week, dealing another blow to a month-old government plan to restore law and order in unified Beirut, police said Monday.

Police said two assailants, using silencer-equipped guns, opened fire at Elie Daou and his pregnant wife at their house in the Christian neighborhood of

Kfarshima.

Daou, a veteran leading figure of the Phalange Party, died instantly while his wife was critically wounded and taken to a nearby hospital, police said.

An Army communique said that following Daou's assassination Lebanese soldiers, entrusted to maintain law and order in unified Beirut, combed the area and arrested a number of suspects.

Lebanese Army troops have boosted their presence in and around Beirut after a Syrian-led force ousted renegade leader Gen. Michel Aoun on Oct. 13 and militias in the city began to formally disband.

But the government peace efforts in ''Greater Beirut'' have been marred with recurring violence.

On Tuesday, men using silencer-equipped guns killed Sami Abu Jawdeh, a Phalange official, in broad daylight in the Christian area of Zalka.

His assasination followed a series of night attacks on Phalange offices that wounded a number of people.

Phalange leader George Saadeh has repeatedly protested an increased presence of Syrian-backed militiamen in mainly-Christian areas.

-30- 1690

#90358u0398 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) UPI - The Soviet Congress of People's Deputies today approved largely symbolic resolutions calling for the Soviet Union to remain intact and to retain the name ''Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.''

Former national security adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski said yesterday it would be ''difficult to justify'' U- S economic aid to the financially troubled Soviet Union if a move toward dictatorship results in bloodshed.

In the Philippines today, UNidentified assassins shot and killed a top aide to a vice mayor and his bodyguard as they cruised along a highway outside the U-S Clark Air Base in a jeep. The mayor was from Angeles, 50 miles north of Manila.

The South Korean government paroled 470 prisoners, including 76 juveniles, today in a special pardon marking Christmas. Officials say those guilty of political offenses and heinous crimes were excluded from the pardon.

Australians in two major states continued Christmas preparations Monday night under threat of major loss of life and property from a cyclone and widsespread bushfires. Cyclone Joy is heading for the north Queensland State coast.

In New South Wales State, large bushfires which smouldered overnight again flared up. Officials say hundreds of firefighters were battling to contain them. More than 20 homes were destroyed and more than one thousand Sydney residents were forced to leave their homes.

-30- 1552

#90358u0518 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) UPI - The Soviet Congress of People's Deputies voted today to approve largely symbolic resolutions calling for the Soviet Union to remain intact and to retain the name ''Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.'' The votes to preserve the Soviet Union will have little practical effect, however, because the fate of a union treaty binding the 15 republics together still depends on the agreement of each republic.

South African black leader Nelson Mandela today recalled his tough prison life and prepared to celebrate his first Christmas as a free man in almost 30 years. Mandela urged the vote-less black majority to vow never to spend what he called ''another Christmas in chains.'' In a Christmas message to the country, Mandela said ''We have a right to be free, and we shall be free.''

In Beirut last night, UNidentified gunmen shot and killed an official of the conservative Christian Phalange Party, in the second such incident in less than a week. The killing deals another blow to a month- old government plan designed to restore law and order in unified Beirut. Police said two gunmen, using silencer-equipped guns, opened fire at the official and his pregnant wife at their house. The woman is in critical condition.

South Korean President Roh Tae-woo says he would like his predecessor, Chun Doo Hwan, to return to normal life in Seoul before the end of the year. Chun has been under more than two years of self- imposed internal exile at a remote Buddhist temple. Roh said it is not desirable to have the former president spend another winter at a temple in a mountain. Chun left Seoul on November 23rd 1988, after apologizing to the nation for his alleged wrongdoings during his eight-year rule which ended earlier that year.

In Sri Lanka today, 14 government soldiers and three civilian women were killed when Tamil rebels detonated a land mine beneath a military truck that was taking sick troops for treatment at a hospital in the eastern part of the country. Another five soldiers were critically wounded when the powerful land mine exploded 160 miles northeast of the capital city of Colombo.

Communist guerrillas in the Philippines claimed responsibility today for the hijacking of a delivery truck in Manila three days ago and distributing its contents of butter and cheese to delighted slum dwellers. The rebels of the communist New People's Army said their action was part of ''Operation Yuletide Seizure,'' a Robin Hood-style of robbing from the rich and giving to the poor.

-30- 2695
#90358u0592 12/24/1990 ~United Press International
LONDON (DEC. 24) UPI - Stock prices ended lower Monday in thin Christmas Eve trading on the London International Stock Exchange, with the Persian Gulf crisis occupying the minds of the few dealers who took part in the shortened session.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which added 5.6 points Friday, slipped back 8.1 points to 2,156.3. The narrower top 30 industrial average lost 9.5 points to 1,678.9.

Volume amounted to 103 million shares, compared with the 526 million that changed hands Friday.

Analysts said stocks eased as a result of sabre-rattling comments by U.S. government officials on the Persian Gulf crisis over the weekend, cutting down any hopes of a Christmas Eve rally.

Among widely traded stocks, only oil stocks had cause for celebration, with Enterprise gaining 20 cents to $11.59 and London & Scottish Marine Oil adding 19 cents to $7.37, reflecting slightly firmer crude oil prices.

The 12 newly privatized British electricity companies suffered a bout of profit taking, with the combined package falling $76 to $2,774.

Retail stores eased, as Boots slipped 10 cents to $6.06 and Marks and Spencer weakened 6 cents to $4.20.

Meanwhile, debt worries undermined News International, which lost 10 cents to $2.09.

Imperial Chemical Industries fell 18 cents to $16.70 as the effects of recent downgradings continued to hit the London market's bellwhether chemicals company.

Markets were closed in Frankfurt for the holidays.

-30- 1696
#90358u0603 12/24/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 24) UPI - NHL SCORING SUMMARIES

Montreal	0	2	2	0--4
Philadelphia	4	0	0	0--4

First period-1, Philadelphia, Horacek 3 (Lacombe, Sutter), 4:46. 2, Philadelphia, Craven 8 (penalty shot), 13:26. 3, Philadelphia, Craven 9

(Mellanby), 18:37. 4, Philadelphia, Tocchet 23 (Latal, Eklund), 19:36.

Penalties-Mellanby, Phi, 8:33; Carkner, Phi, 9:23.

Second period-5, Montreal, Savard 11 (Richer, Desjardins), pp, 12:46. 6, Montreal, Corson 7 (Skrudland, Svoboda), 18:22.

Penalties-Diduck, Mtl, 9:58; Ricci, Phi, 10:48; Sutter, Phi, major (butt ending)-game misconduct, served by Berube, 11:21; Diduck, Mtl, double-minor, served by Pederson, 19:07; Kushner, Phi, 19:07.

Third period-7, Montreal, Savard 12 (Chorske, Turgeon), pp, 9:48. 8, Montreal, Courtnall 10 (McPhee), 15:06.

Penalties- Savard, Mtl, 2:47; Craven, Phi, 4:18; Mellanby, Phi, 9:19.

Overtime period-No scoring.

Penalties- none.

Shots on goal-Montreal 17-15-17-0-49. Philadelphia 14-6-8-3-31.

Power-play conversions-Montreal 6-2. Philadelphia 3-0.

Goaltenders-Montreal, Racicot, Bergeron (0:00, 2nd). Philadelphia, Hextall. A-17,382.

Referee-Don Koharski.

Quebec	1	0	2--3
Buffalo	3	3	4--10

First period-1, Buffalo, Ruuttu 5 (unassisted), sh, 5:08. 2, Buffalo, Turgeon 13 (Ray, Andreychuk), 13:11. 3, Quebec, Hough 4 (Sakic, Sundin),15:37. 4, Buffalo, Krupp 6 (Ruuttu), 18:33.

Penalties-Finn, Que, double-minor, 1:29; Ray, Buf, double-minor, 1:29; Wells, Buf, 4:25; Nolan, Que, minor-major (fighting), 6:55; Kennedy, Buf, major (fighting), 6:55; Gillis, Que, 9:31.

Second period-5, Buffalo, Hogue 8 (Krupp, Mogilny), 13:52. 6, Buffalo, Hawerchuk 8 (Mogilny, Krupp), pp, 18:37. 7, Buffalo, Vaive 13 (Hogue, Bodger) pp, 19:48.

Penalties-Velischek, Que, 2:21; Vincelette, Que, major (fighting), 8:58; Kennedy, Buf, major (fighting), 8:58; Wolanin, Que, double-minor, 15:28; Leschyshyn, Que, major-game misconduct (high-sticking), 18:37.

Third period-8, Buffalo, Ruuttu 6 (Snuggerud), 1:22. 9, Buffalo, Bodger 3 (Krupp, Vaive), pp, 2:58. 10, Quebec, Morin 3 (Cirella, Gillis), 4:45. 11, Quebec, McKegney 15 (Wolanin, Fogarty), 5:22. 12, Buffalo, Turgeon 14 (Ray) 13:42. 13, Buffalo, Ramsey 3 (Ruuttu, Vaive), 15:55.

Penalties-Hogue, Buf, 1:08; Fogarty, Que, 2:02; Puppa, Buf, 16:01.

Shots on Goal-Quebec, 8-5-10-23. Buffalo, 11- 19-11-41.

Power-play conversions-Quebec 2-0. Buffalo 7-3.

Goaltenders-Quebec, Tugnutt (2:58, 3rd period), Gordon. Buffalo, Puppa. A-14,404.

Referee-Andy Van Hellemond.

Minnesota	0	2	3-5
Hartford	0	2	0-2

First period-No scoring.

Penalties - Zettler, Min, 5:20; Evason, Har, 11:24; Sinisalo, Min, 13:17; Jennings, Har, 13:17; Duchesne, Min, 14:29; Brown, Har, 14:29; Tinordi, Min, 18:13.

Second period-1, Hartford, Verbeek 18 (Brown, Francis), :30. 2, Hartford, Francis 11 (unassisted), sh, 3:49. 3, Minnesota, Gagner 17 (Bellows, Broten), pp, 9:06. 4, Minnesota, Gagner 18 (Dahlen), 10:11.

Penalties-Jennings, Har, 3:21; Verbeek, Har, 8:22; Holik, Har, 10:38; Johnson, Min, 12:48; Crossman, Har, 15:12; Wilkinson, Min, major (fighting), 17:43; Jennings, Har, major (fighting), 17:43.

Third period-5, Minnesota, Bellows 12 (Tinordi, Modano), pp, 14:04. 6, Minnesota, Gagner 19 (Zettler), 17:38. 7, Minnesota, Broten 10 (Duchesne), 18:14.

Penalties - Propp, Min, 3:01; Johnson, Min, 6:33; Evason, Har, 6:33; Crossman, Har, 7:58; Bellows, Min, 10:20; Propp, Min, 12:53; Burt, Har, double-minor, 12:53 (served by Holik); Hartford bench, 20:00.

Shots on goal-Minnesota 14-12-15-41. Hartford 10-9-7-26

Power-play conversions-Minnesota 7-2. Hartford 6-0.

Goaltenders-Minnesota, Casey. Hartford, Reaugh. A-11,525.

Referee-Lance Roberts.

NY Islanders	0	2	1	1--4
Pittsburgh	2	1	0	0--3

First period-1, Pittsburgh, Jagr 9 (Taglianetti, Hrdina), 5:50. 2, Pittsburgh, Recchi 18 (Coffey, Murphy), pp, 8:10.

Penalties-King, NYI, 2:00; Cullen, Pit, 2:00; Chynoweth, NYI, 7:34; Vukota, NYI, minor-major (fighting), 7:34; Tanti, Pit, 7:34; Loney, Pit, major (fighting), 7:34.

Second period-3, NY Islanders, Flatley 10 (King, Reekie), 14:10. 4, NY Islanders, Flatley 11 (Sutter, King), 18:01. 5, Pittsburgh, Gilhen 10 (Zalapski), sh, 19:17.

Penalties-Vukota, NYI, 4:14; Pietrangelo (served by Stevens), Pit, 4:14; Pilon NYI, misconduct, 9:35; Taglianetti, Pit, misconduct, 9:35; S.Young, Pit, 18:26.

Third period-6, NY Islanders, Berg 3 (Parks, Ludwig), 8:18.

Penalties-Zalapski, Pit, 8:51; Roberts, Pit, 10:25; Pilon, NYI, 15:10.

Overtime-7, NY Islanders, Flatley 12 (Sutter), 4:29. Penalties-none.

Shots on goal-NY Islanders 8-17-4-2-31. Pittsburgh 8-7-11-0-26.

Power-play conversions-NY Islanders 3-0. Pittsburgh 2-1.

Goaltenders-NY Islanders, Hackett. Pittsburgh, Pietrangelo. A-16,164.

Referee-Paul Stewart.

Vancouver	2	1	0	--3
Edmonton	1	2	1	--4

First period-1, Edmonton, Simpson 16 (Anderson, Lamb), pp, 4:52. 2, Vancouver, Capuano 12 (Lidster), pp, 8:21. 3, Vancouver, Sandlak 6 (Quinn, Capuano), 16:58.

Penalties-Quinn, Van, 4:28; Brown, Edm, 7:06; Bradley, Van, 14:30.

Second period-4, Edmonton, MacTavish 7 (Gelinas), 5:04. 5, Vancouver, Nordmark 2 (Bradley, Valk), 5:49. 6, Edmonton, Lowe 1 (Linseman, Gelinas), 17:26.

Penalties - Lidster, Van, 2:48; Capuano, Van, 6:43; Brown, Edm, major-fighting 9:51; Odjick, Van, major-fighting, 9:51; Murphy, Van, 13:19; Lamb, Edm, 13:19; Muni, Edm, 15:38; Odjick, Van, misconduct, 15:38; Plavsic, Van, 16:42.

Third period-7, Edmonton, Tikkanen 10 (Simpson, S. Smith), pp, 12:07.

Penalties - Nordmark, Van, 4:19; Linseman, Edm, 6:35; Odjick, Van, minor, major (fighting)-game misconduct, 10:54; Brown, Edm, major (fighting), 10:54; S. Smith, Edm, 19:50.

Shots on goal-Vancouver 6-8-4-18, Edmonton 14-17-10-41.

Power-play conversions-Vancouver 4-1, Edmonton 7-2.

Goaltenders-Edmonton, Ranford; Vancouver, McLean. A-17,348.

Referee-Rob Shick.

Boston	0	2	3	0-5
NY Rangers	1	1	3	0-5

First period-1, New York, Hull 2 (Miller Shaw), 11:34.

Penalties-Nilan, Bos, 1:10; Moller, NYR, 6:08; Patrick, NYR, 16:00; Moller, NYR, 16:25; Kisio, NYR, 18:42.

Second period-2, New York, Nicholls 15 (Ogrodnick, Shaw), 6:52. 3, Boston, Poulin 6 (Bourque), 13:14. 4, Boston, Christian 16 (Pedersen, Burridge), 19:21.

Penalties-D. Sweeney, Bos, 14:44; D. Sweeney, Bos, 18:27; Carter, Bos, 18:27; Turcotte, NYR, double-minor, 18:27.

Third period-5, Boston, Neely 20 (Janney, Nilan), 0:28. 6, Boston, Ruzicka 5 (Quintal, D. Sweeney), 1:35. 7, Boston, Christian 17 (Poulin, Bourque), 2:13. 8, New York, Gartner 18 (Leetch, Nicholls), pp, 11:13. 9, New York, Gartner 19 (Turcotte, Nicholls), 13:52. 10, New York, Turcotte 15 (Leetch, Patrick), pp, 17:23.

Penalties-Bourque, Bos, 10:10; Mallette, NYR, 14:35; Lazaro, Bos, 17:05.

Overtime-No scoring. Penalties-None.

Shots on goal-Boston 15-9-12-2-38. New York 7-13-10-0-30.

Power-play conversions-Boston 5-0. New York 4-2.

Goalies-Boston, Moog. New York, Vanbiesbrouck. A-16,792.

Referee-Kerry Fraser.

Toronto	1	0	1	-2

New Jersey 1 1 2--4

First period-1, Toronto, Reid 12 (Ellett), 6:36. 2, New Jersey, Lemieux 15 (Sundstrom), 17:01.

Penalties-Ramage, Tor, 3:08; Daneyko, NJ, 3:08; Maley, NJ, 3:08; Broten, Tor, 10:20; Broten, Tor, 12:54; Lemieux, NJ, 14:54; Krushelnyski, Tor, major (misconduct), 17:01; Ing, Tor, (served by Maguire), 17:33.

Second period-3, New Jersey, Conacher 5 (Brown, Maley) 7:01.

Penalties-Kasatonov, NJ, 9:30; Broten, Tor, 19:25; Lemieux, 19:25.

Third period-4, New Jersey, Lemieux 2 (Shanahan, Driver), pp, 2:39. 5, New Jersey, Shanahan 16 (McLean, Sundstrom), 12:10. 6, Toronto, Maguire 5 (Gill, Krushelnyski), 18:20.

Penalties-Deblois, Tor, double-minor, 2:06; Petit, Tor, 6:39; Boschman, NJ, 6:39; Stewart, NJ, 6:39; Plowder, NJ, misconduct, 6:39; Stewart, NJ, major (throwing stick), 19:27; Plowder, NJ, 20:00.

Shots on goal-Toronto 5-6-11-22. New Jersey 13-17-5-35.

Power-play conversions-Toronto 6-0, New Jersey 5-1.

Goaltenders-Toronto, Ing. New Jersey, Burke. A-12,101.

Referee-Hogarth.

Detroit 0 0 2--2
Chicago 1 2 0--3

First period-1, Chicago, Roenick 18 (Larmer), 8:11.

Penalties-Graham, Chi, 1:15; McKay, Det, 4:28; Yzerman, Det, 13:00; McGill, Chi, major (fighting), 16:20; Kocur, Det, major (fighting), 16:20; Gilbert, Chi, 16:20; Thomas, Chi, 19:38; McKay, Det, 19:38; Dollas, Det, 19:38; Burr, Det, 19:38; Larmer, Chi, 19:38.

Second period-2, Chicago, Manson 6 (unassisted), 7:08; 3, Chicago, Larmer 24 (Roenick, Wilson), 15:17.

Penalties- Konroyd, Chi, 2:57; Dollas, Det, 13:28; Detroit bench (served by Shank), 15:17; Peluso, Chi, 17:45.

Third period-4, Detroit, Racine 2 (Carson), 3:12. 5, Detroit, Barr 7 (Racine, Yzerman), 19:59.

Penalties-Peluso, Chi, 3:52; Federov, Det, 4:40; Graham, Chi, 7:56; Roenick, Chi, 14:12; McCrimm, Det, 17:48.

Shots on goal-Detroit 10-11-13-28. Chicago 4- 16-6-32.

Power-play conversions-Detroit 0-7. Chicago 1-6.

Goaltenders-Detroit, Hanlon. Chicago, Waite. A-18,472.

Referee-Terry Gregson.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - Two more Americans stationed in the Persian Gulf have been killed. The servicemen from the aircraft carrier U-S-S Midway were killed when a bus taking them on a tour of the United Arab Emirates overturned. Five other servicmen were injured, two of them seriously.

Sailors aboard the U-S-S Saratoga tossed a wreath into the sea yesterday in a tribute to their 21 mates who were killed Friday when a ferry carrying them back to the aircraft carrier from the Israeli port city of Haifa capsized.

The Soviet Congress of People's Deputies today considers constitutional ammendments that would give President Gorbachev wide new powers to directly control all government functions.

The Soviet Congress voted today to approve resolutions calling for the Soviet Union to remain intact and to retain the name ''Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.'' The votes are largely symbolic, since a union treaty binding the 15 republics together still depends on the agreement of each republic.

Soviet lawmakers and journalists say Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze may have resigned last week because of fears that he was to be the latest sacrificial victim of President Mikhail Gorbachev's politics.

Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell said yesterday that Congress will debate U-S gulf policy when it convenes after January 3rd. Mitchell cited differences between some Congressional leaders and the Bush administration over who has the power to order using force in the gulf.

Britain's Prince Charles yesterday shook hands with British troops stationed in the Persian Gulf. A British flyer said of the prince, ''He's just a normal bloke like you and me ... quite down to earth.''

A land mine explosion in Sri Lanka today killed 14 government soldiers and three civilian women. Another five soldiers were killed in the explosion beneath a military truck that was taking sick troops for treatment at a

hospital.

Temperatures will begin to fall in the east today after record warmth in many cities yesterday. The cold front that dropped wind chill factors to minus 60 degrees in several western states is moving to the East coast.

The Costa Rican government will begin repair and rescue operations today in areas hard hit by an earthquake on Saturday. The government plans to relocate families whose homes were damaged or destroyed. So far, there are NO reports of injuries.

Philadelphia yesterday became the latest U-S city to set a record for murders in one year. An woman in a South Philadelphia bar was shot three times in the chest and became the city's 502nd murder victim of the year. That surpassed last year's record 501 murders.

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Editors:

The New York Commodity Exchange was closed Monday for an extended Christmas holiday. Trading will resume Wednesday.
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Editors:

The Coffee, Sugar and Cocoa Exchange was closed Monday for an extended Christmas holiday. Trading will resume Wednesday.
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NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - The New York Cotton Exchange is closed Monday for an extended Christmas holiday.

Trading will resume Wednesday.

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CAIRO, Egypt (DEC. 24) UPI - Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak renewed a

warning Monday that Iraq would suffer massive numbers of casualities if war erupts in the Persian Gulf, and said the likelihood of war is increasing as the Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait draws near.

''Every day that passes is bringing Iraq closer to a war,'' Mubarak, a strong supporter of U.S.-led efforts to oust Iraq from the occupied emirate, told reporters in Cairo.

The U.N. Security Council has authorized multinational troops in the gulf region to use force against Iraq if it has not withdrawn from Kuwait by Jan. 15.

Mubarak's statements came one day after Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said during a visit to Cairo that there were no signs Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was going to pull out of the emirate, which he invaded Aug. 2.

''The Iraqi people will suffer severe casualties if a war erupted,'' Mubarak said.

The Egyptian president, who has sent 20,000 troops to join the U.S.- led force in the gulf, said the world was united against Saddam.

''When a leader of a state faces danger against his country, he should return to his senses and protect his people, even if he is forced to retract his word 500 times, so long as it is in the interest of his country,'' Mubarak said.

''The political solution does not mean a surrender,'' he added. ''We have to be realistic, but regretably some are still stubborn.''

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TEAM STATISTICS

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

OFFENSE

	tot.	rush	pass
Houston	5795	1222	4573
Buffalo	5003	1975	3028
Denver	4840	1687	3153
Kansas City	4832	1825	3007
Cincinnati	4761	1969	2792
Miami	4740	1420	3320
San Diego	4669	2077	2592
New York	4569	1972	2597

Los Angeles	4468	1914	2554
Pittsburgh	4226	1801	2425
Seattle	4223	1598	2625
Cleveland	4022	1059	2963
New England	3905	1258	2647
Indianapolis	3839	1159	2680

DEFENSE

	tot.	rush	pass
Pittsburgh	3688	1420	2268
Los Angeles	4142	1536	2606
San Diego	4177	1401	2776
Miami	4231	1708	2523
Buffalo	4308	1681	2627
Houston	4336	1496	2840
Seattle	4416	1518	2898
Kansas City	4705	1539	3166
Cleveland	4888	1954	2934
Denver	5049	1875	3174
New York	5217	1948	3269
Cincinnati	5260	1924	3336
Indianapolis	5307	2097	3210
New England	5373	2463	2910

NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

OFFENSE

	tot.	rush	pass
San Francisco	5493	1597	3896
Philadelphia	5306	2382	2924
Washington	5263	1956	3307
Los Angeles	5051	1508	3543
Atlanta	4812	1410	3402
Chicago	4804	2335	2469
Detroit	4784	1840	2944
Minnesota	4755	1769	2986
New York	4481	1836	2645
Phoenix	4408	1839	2569
Green Bay	4379	1281	3098
Tampa Bay	4237	1556	2681
New Orleans	4208	1756	2452
Dallas	3930	1453	2477

DEFENSE

	tot.	rush	pass
New York	3948	1319	2629
San Francisco	3994	1160	2834
Chicago	4109	1449	2660

Minnesota	4315	1953	2362
Philadelphia	4323	1096	3227
Dallas	4372	1792	2580
Washington	4457	1482	2975
New Orleans	4499	1455	3044
Phoenix	4822	2144	2678
Green Bay	5069	1874	3195
Atlanta	5119	1310	3809
Los Angeles	5143	1555	3588
Tampa Bay	5162	2068	3094
Detroit	5374	2237	3137

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

SCORING

TOUCHDOWNS	td	rush	rec	ret	pts
Fenner, Sea	13	12	1	0	78
Thomas, Buf	13	11	2	0	78
Allen, LA	12	11	1	0	72
White, Hou	11	7	4	0	66
Brooks, Cin	9	5	4	0	54
Brown, Cin	9	0	9	0	54
Butts, SD	8	8	0	0	48
Givins, Hou	8	0	8	0	48
Hoge, Pitt	8	5	3	0	48
Reed, Buf	8	0	8	0	48

KICKING	EP-A	FG-A	LG	PTS
Lowery, KC	37-37	29-32	48	124
Norwood, Buf	48-50	20-29	48	108
Treadwell, Den	32-34	23-32	49	101
Stoyanovich, Mia	34-34	21-24	53	97
Leahy, NY	31-31	20-23	47	91
Anderson, Pitt	30-30	20-24	48	90
Johnson, Sea	30-31	20-29	51	90
Breech, Cin	38-41	17-21	46	89
Jaeger, LA	38-40	14-19	50	80
Biasucci, Ind	30-31	16-22	54	78
Carney, SD	27-27	17-18	43	78

PASSING	ATT	CMP	PCT	YDS	TD	INT
Kelly, Buf	346	219	63.3	2829	24	9
Moon, Hou	584	362	62.0	4689	33	13
DeBerg, KC	412	233	56.6	3168	23	4
Schroeder, LA	312	171	54.8	2687	18	9

Brister, Pitt	361	208	57.6	2485	20	13
Marino, Mia	505	292	57.8	3371	20	11
Elway, Den	476	280	58.8	3366	14	14
O'Brien, NY	392	215	54.8	2753	13	10
Esiason, Cin	386	214	55.4	2877	22	20
Krieg, Sea	415	244	58.8	2969	15	18

PASS RECEIVERS

RECEPTIONS	no	yds	avg	td
Reed, Buf	71	945	13.3	8
Hill, Hou	70	995	14.2	4
Jeffires, Hou	69	959	13.9	7
Givins, Hou	69	943	13.7	8
Williams, Sea	69	649	9.4	0
Bentley, Ind	65	608	9.4	1
Paige, KC	63	969	15.4	5
Duncan, Hou	63	751	11.9	1
AMiller, SD	61	910	14.9	7
Toon, NY	57	757	13.3	6

YARDS	YDS	NO	AVG	TD
Hill, Hou	995	70	14.2	4
Paige, KC	969	63	15.4	5
Jeffires, Hou	959	69	13.9	7
Gault, LA	955	49	19.5	3
Reed, Buf	945	71	13.3	8
Givins, Hou	943	69	13.7	8
AMiller, SD	910	61	14.9	7
Jackson, Den	841	52	16.2	3
Hester, Ind	827	51	16.2	5
Fernandez, LA	802	49	16.4	5
Fryar, NE	802	51	15.7	3

INTERCEPTIONS	no	yds	lg	td
RJohnson, Hou	7	93	35	1
Byrd, SD	7	63	24	0
Ross, KC	5	97	40	0
Oliver, Mia	5	87	35	0
Lippett, NE	4	94	73	0
Griffin, Pitt	4	75	36	0
Kinard, Hou	4	75	47	0
McMillan, NY	4	67	24	0
Hurst, NE	4	61	36	0
Dishman, Hou	4	50	42	0
McKyer, Mia	4	40	21	0
Woodson, Pitt	4	33	29	0
Marion, NE	4	17	16	0

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Thomas, Buf	266	1297	4.9	t80	11
Butts, SD	265	1225	4.6	52	8
Humphrey, Den	275	1149	4.2	t37	6
Word, KC	186	942	5.1	t53	4
Brooks, Cin	178	920	5.2	t56	5
Fenner, Sea	197	784	4.0	36	12
Okoye, KC	228	751	3.3	32	6
Hoge, Pitt	194	735	3.8	t41	5
Stephens, NE	193	727	3.8	26	2
Smith, Mia	197	723	3.7	33	7

PUNTING	NO	LG	AVG	BLK	X-NET
Horan, Den	54	67	44.3	1	38.8
Stark, Ind	70	61	43.5	1	37.3
Johnson, Cin	59	70	42.1	0	34.5
Hansen, NE	85	69	41.6	2	33.4
Roby, Mia	67	62	41.5	0	35.7
Donnelly, Sea	66	54	40.8	0	34.5
Prokop, NY	57	58	40.5	0	34.9
Kidd, SD	59	59	40.2	1	36.7
Tuten, Buf	48	55	40.0	0	34.9
Barker, KC	61	56	39.0	0	34.9

x-net (team efficiency) - Total punt yards minus return yards, minus 20 yards for each punt over goal-line divided by total attempts including punts blocked.

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Verdin, Ind	28	352	12.6	36	0
Woodson, Pitt	37	381	10.3	t52	1
Warren, Sea	24	226	9.4	39	0
TBrown, LA	33	298	9.0	39	0
Price, Cin	27	237	8.8	t66	1
Clark, Den	19	157	8.3	32	0
Worthen, KC	25	180	7.2	37	0
McNeil, Hou	29	169	5.8	26	0
Martin, Mia	26	140	5.4	35	0
Fryar, NE	25	121	4.8	17	0

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Woodson, Pitt	30	678	22.6	49	0
Warren, Sea	22	468	21.3	71	0
Elder, SD	22	461	21.0	46	0
McNeil, Hou	26	536	20.6	64	0
Martin, NE	25	515	20.6	38	0
DSmith, Buf	30	617	20.6	38	0
Holland, LA	30	611	20.4	87	0

Metcalf, Cle	49	995	20.3	t101	2
Jennings, Cin	27	538	19.9	33	0
RBrown, LA	29	568	19.6	34	0

SACKS

BSmith, Buf 19.0
DThomas, KC 19.0
SJones, Hou 12.5
O'Neal, SD 12.5
Townsend, LA 12.5
Perry, Cle 11.5
Byrd, NY 11.0
Cross, Mia 10.5
Fletcher, Den 10.0
Grossman, SD 10.0

NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

SCORING

TOUCHDOWNS	TD	RUSH	REC	RET	PTS
Gary, LA	15	14	1	0	90
BSanders, Det	15	12	3	0	90
Anderson, Chi	13	10	3	0	78
Rice, SF	12	0	12	0	72
Anderson, NY	11	11	0	0	66
ESmith, Dal	11	11	0	0	66
Rison, Atl	10	0	10	0	60
ACarter, Min	8	0	8	0	48
Clark, Det	8	0	8	0	48
Clark, Was	8	0	8	0	48
Walker, Min	8	4	4	0	48
Williams, Phi	8	0	8	0	48

KICKING	EP-A	FG-A	LG	PTS
Lohmiller, Was	39-39	25-35	56	114
Butler, Chi	35-36	25-36	52	110
Cofer, SF	37-37	22-34	56	103
Ruzek, Phi	43-45	20-28	53	103
Davis, Atl	37-37	21-31	53	100
Christie, TB	25-25	23-27	54	94
Jacke, GB	27-28	21-28	53	90
Andersen, NO	27-27	19-23	52	84
Lansford, LA	40-41	14-22	46	82
Del Greco, Phx	28-28	17-27	50	79
Willis, Dal	25-25	18-23	49	79

PASSING	ATT	CMP	PCT	YDS	TD	INT
Simms, NY	311	184	59.2	2284	15	4
Montana, SF	500	311	62.2	3856	26	15
Cunningham, Phi	446	258	57.8	3294	27	12
Peete, Det	246	131	53.3	1839	13	7
Harbaugh, Chi	312	180	57.7	2178	10	6
Miller, Atl	388	222	57.2	2735	17	14
Rypien, Was	278	150	54.0	1898	15	10
Everett, LA	518	285	55.0	3699	21	17
Testaverde, TB	338	184	54.4	2614	16	16
Majkowski, GB	264	150	56.8	1925	10	12

PASS RECEIVERS

RECEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	TD
Rice, SF	91	1384	15.2	12
Rison, Atl	77	1159	15.1	10
Byars, Phi	76	779	10.3	3
Clark, Was	73	1106	15.2	8
Ellard, LA	71	1164	16.4	4
ACarter, Min	65	954	14.7	8
Johnson, Det	63	722	11.5	6
Sharpe, GB	62	1030	16.6	5
Monk, Was	62	709	11.4	5
EMartin, NO	59	833	14.1	5

YARDS	YDS	NO	AVG	TD
Rice, SF	1384	91	15.2	12
Ellard, LA	1164	71	16.4	4
Rison, Atl	1159	77	15.1	10
Clark, Was	1106	73	15.2	8
Sharpe, GB	1030	62	16.6	5
Anderson, LA	1008	47	21.4	3
ACarter, Min	954	65	14.7	8
Clark, Det	866	50	17.3	8
EMartin, NO	833	59	14.1	5
Byars, Phi	779	76	10.3	3

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	LG	TD
Carrier, Chi	10	39	14	0
Haddix, TB	7	231	t65	3
Browner, Min	7	103	31	1
Walls, NY	6	80	40	1
Stinson, Chi	6	66	30	0
Waymer, SF	6	50	24	0
Mayhew, Was	6	15	15	0

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD

BSanders, Det	246	1281	5.2	t45	12
Byner, Was	286	1185	4.1	22	6
Anderson, Chi	249	1010	4.1	52	10
ESmith, Dal	225	903	4.0	t48	11
Johnson, Phx	219	895	4.1	41	5
Cunningham, Phi	114	882	7.7	t52	5
Gary, LA	196	752	3.8	48	14
Anderson, NY	209	711	3.4	28	11
Walker, Min	171	707	4.1	t58	4
Sherman, Phi	160	668	4.2	36	1

PUNTING	NO	LG	AVG	BLK	X-NET
Landeta, NY	70	67	43.8	0	37.0
Saxon, Dal	73	60	43.4	0	35.5
Camarillo, Phx	64	63	42.9	0	37.4
Barnhardt, NO	64	65	42.6	1	35.8
Newsome, Min	71	61	42.4	1	32.9
Feagles, Phi	68	60	42.0	2	35.8
Fulhage, Atl	67	59	41.5	0	35.9
Royals, TB	69	62	40.6	0	34.6
Buford, Chi	72	59	40.4	2	33.4
Arnold, Det	58	59	40.4	0	35.4

x-net (team efficiency) - Total punt yards minus return yards, minus 20 yards for each punt over goal-line divided by total attempts including punts blocked.

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Meggett, NY	40	434	10.9	t68	1
Gray, Det	34	361	10.6	39	0
Query, GB	31	306	9.9	25	0
Sanders, Atl	25	232	9.3	t79	1
Bailey, Chi	35	304	8.7	36	0
Taylor, SF	25	211	8.4	30	0
Sikahema, Phx	33	277	8.4	20	0
RHarris, Dal	25	208	8.3	30	0
Drewrey, TB	22	182	8.3	16	0
VBuck, NO	32	241	7.5	19	0

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Meggett, NY	19	450	23.7	58	0
Gray, Det	39	913	23.4	65	0
Wilson, GB	33	744	22.5	36	0
Walker, Min	40	895	22.4	64	0
Sanders, Atl	38	836	22.0	50	0
Green, LA	22	469	21.3	t99	1
Dixon, Dal	34	709	20.9	47	0
Fenerty, NO	28	572	20.4	58	0
Sikahema, Phx	23	467	20.3	32	0

Delpino, LA 20 389 19.5 38 0

SACKS
Haley, SF 15.0
Greene, LA 13.0
White, Phi 13.0
Dent, Chi 12.0
Taylor, NY 10.5
Armstrong, Chi 10.0
Cofer, Det 10.0
Doleman, Min 10.0
Harvey, Phx 10.0
Swilling, NO 10.0

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NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Monday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Dec. 21: Purchases of 469,629 shares and sales of 852,620 shares including 44,023 shares sold short.

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#90358u0695 12/24/1990 ~United Press International
PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 24) UPI - Eight historic sites that closed this fall because of a federal budget crunch will reopen in 1991, federal officials said Monday.

A combination of public outcries and loosening federal budget strings made the openings possible, said Independence National Historic Park Superintendent Hobart Cawood.

''Because of the concern, not only in Philadelphia but across the country, and the real need that has been brought to the attention of those who could do something about it'' all the sites will be open by the spring, Cawood said.

The portrait gallery in the Second Bank of the U.S., which hosted 140,036 visitors last year, will reopen Feb. 17 and seven other tourist attractions in the vicinity of the Liberty Bell will reopen April 21, Cawood said.

The structures were shuttered in October when the federal government failed to provide enough money to keep them open. The Liberty Bell and Independence Hall the area's most popular tourist destinations, were not affected.

The bell and hall did close, however, for three days in October when the federal government temporarily ceased operating while Congress haggled over a new budget.

Cawood said the National Park Service, which oversees the historic sites, was able to free up some discretionary funds for Philadelphia and federal officials have promised increased funding in the next fiscal year.

He said the eight sites now have enough funding to remain open through the current fiscal year. In addition, other, unspecified, funding sources were being explored.

In October, U.S. Rep. Thomas Foglietta, D-Pa., was able to shake loose $650,000 for emergency repairs to the roof of Independence Hall.

Eight of the city's 19 historic federally run buildings closed to the public Oct. 1 amid an anticipated $483,000 budget shortfall for the current fiscal year.

Besides the Second Bank, the affected sites and their 1989 attendance figures are Old City Hall, 77,271; Graff House, 36,931; Pemberton House (Army/Navy Museum), 102,286; New Hall (Marine Corps Memorial Museum), 83,255; Todd House, 15,941; Bishop White House 12,869, and an architectural exhibit at 318 Market St., 93,658.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - Two U-S servicemen from the aircraft carrier U-S-S Midway were killed and five others were injured last night when a bus taking them on a tour of the United Arab Emirates overturned. Two of the injured are in serious condition. The deaths bring to 79 the number of U-S servicemen killed in Operation Desert Shield since troops were deployed to the region.

Sailors aboard the U-S-S Saratoga fired a 21-gun salute and tossed a wreath into the sea yesterday in tribute to their 21 mates who drowned in a ferry accident Friday in Israel. Divers brought up the 20th body yesterday morning, several hours before the memorial service for those killed. Another American serviceman is missing and presumed dead in the deadliest accident involving U-S servicemen participating in Operation Desert Shield.

Crews worked for eight hours yesterday to clean up 10-thousand gallons of acid that spilled after a tank truck skidded on icy Interstate 10 in Baytown, Texas. Department of Public Safety spokesman David Wells said the tanker was carrying 40-thousand gallons of hydrocholoric acid solution. The driver told officers the truck hit ice on the roadway and skidded into a guardrail. The tank ruptured before bouncing into a ditch and spilling about one fourth of its load.

Government troops and communist guerrillas in the Philippines silenced their guns today at the start of a Christmas holiday truce, allowing Filipinos a

brief respite from the bloody 21-year insurgency. But special combat units in Manila and strategic provinces have been placed on alert due to fresh rumors that right-wing soldiers are planning to stage a seventh coup attempt against President Corazon Aquino.

Former South Korean Deputy Premier-Economic Planning Minister Cho Soon delivered a letter from President Bush to President Roh Tae-woo today. Cho returned from the Untied States yesterday after a 12-day visit as a special presidential envoy. Seoul newspapers speculated that Bush hoped in the letter for active South Korean support for the establishment of a free world trade order.

In his annual Christmas message, Germany's president today called on all Germans in the east and west to overcome final divisions in the re- unified country, and to support European unity and peace throughout the world. President Richard von Weizsaecker said that citizens in former East and West Germany should meet each other half way to overcome the economic hardships endured by those living through the rehabilitation of the country's new eastern part.

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#90358u0739 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

BONN, Germany (DEC. 24) UPI - President Richard von Weizsaecker, in his annual Christmas message Monday, called on Germans to overcome remaining divisions in their reunified nation as well as support European unity and world peace.

Von Weizsaecker said Germans should meet each other half way to overcome hardships during the rehabilitation of the economically ailing former East Germany.

''We sincerely want to meet one another and become one,'' the 70- year-old president said in the nationally broadcast message. ''Nobody should wait until the other has arrived, but instead walk toward him.''

Von Weizsaecker, who recently toured the five new eastern states that once comprised communist East Germany, reminded his audience that ''freedom is full of chances, but also bears unusual challenges and risks.''

''The previous system under which so many suffered for so many years, has collapsed. But the new one will not grow over night,'' he said, referring to the fall of the East German communist system last year and German reunification on Oct. 3.

He appealed to the western German states to support the five new states in the east, emphasizing Germany's federalist system is ''a truly precious good.''

Alluding to Germany's Nazi past and Adolf Hitler's uniform and militaristic Third Reich, the president said definitely: ''There will not be a centralized unitary state.''

Von Weizsaecker, who has served as West Germany's president since 1984, said Germany owes its reunification to the peaceful revolution in Europe, and added many countries now need the help and support of Germany - particularly the Soviet Union amid its reform process.

Quoting Russian author Lev Kopelev, von Weizsaecker said, ''One burning room can destroy the European house. We will live together or die together.''

He also said while the end of the Cold War brought peace to Europe, peace must spread to other parts of the world - ''also to the (Persian) Gulf region.''

Cautioning all sides involved in the gulf conflict triggered by Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, he said ''we should bear in a mind the big picture, meet strangers with respect and tolerance, and turn toward one another without inner prejudice.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices for Monday are unavailable because of the extended Christmas Day holiday.

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#90358u0755 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 24) UPI - An agreement was announced Monday on a letter of intent regarding GLOBEX, the automated after-hours trading system for futures and options.

Representatives of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, the Chicago Board of Trade and Reuters Holdings PLC met last week in Chicago to finalize the details.

''This resolves all substantive issues toward the completion of a 20- year contract,'' said Robert Crooke, spokesman for Reuters America Inc.

The letter of intent is subject to execution of a final agreement among the parties, approval by the respective governing boards and ratification by the memberships of the CME and CBOT.

''Today's announcement of a letter of intent is a positive step toward the contract side,'' Crooke said. ''While it is not a contract, it is an outline of what it should look like and is a prelude to a contract.''

He said the key issues of a contract have been identified and predicted it

will soon be signed.

GLOBEX is scheduled for actual on-site testing in Chicago, New York, and London around the end of the first quarter of 1991. Several hundred terminals will be used in the test, which will involve scripted but realistic trading.

Based on the results of the test, officials will determine the date for the official launch of the ambitious GLOBEX system, much anticipated in the financial community.

Reuters has placed increased emphasis on on-line financial trading services in recent years.

The London-based news and information agency already runs Instinet, an electronic, off-exchange stock trading system, and Dealings 2000, a currency-trading service.

In addition, Reuters has plans to develop an after-hours stock and options trading system in conjunction with the Chicago Board of Options Exchange, the American Stock Exchange and the Cincinnati Stock Exchange.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has reportedly said the Israeli city of Tel Aviv would be one of his first targets if the United States battles Iraqi forces in an attempt to drive them out of Kuwait. The Spanish news agency reported that Saddam recently gave an interview to a Madrid television station, in which he expanded on earlier threats against Israel in the event war breaks out. He reportedly said he would attack Tel Aviv, even if Israel is NOT involved in fighting.

Two U-S servicemen from the aircraft carrier U-S-S Midway were killed and five others were injured last night when a vehicle taking them on an off-road tour of the United Arab Emirates overturned. A Navy spokesman in Washington said two of the injured are in serious condition. The cause of the accident, which occurred during a ship-sponsored liberty trip, is under investigation.

The Suez Canal Authority has stepped up security after warnings that a ship might try to block the waterway by dumping a load of cement if war breaks out in the Persian Gulf. Sources said the authority had intelligence reports that a ship would try to block the canal to prevent supplies and ammunition from reaching the multinational troops allied against Iraq.

Leaders of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council held closed meetings in Qatar today on the third day of their summit. There were reports that the leaders of the pro-western conservative alliance would develop a new security network to ward off future attacks on the oil- rich region. Diplomatic sources

said the creation of a new security network figured prominently in the talks.

The Soviet Congress of People's Deputies voted today to hold national referendums on whether the Soviet Union should remain intact, and on land ownership. President Mikhail Gorbachev pushed through his plan for the referendums at the beginning of the second week of the Congress, which still must vote on controversial new presidential powers.

African National Congress President Oliver Tambo, who returned to South Africa after 30 years in exile, met President Frederik de Klerk for the first time today. A government statement said the two leaders jointly expressed a hope for a peaceful resolution of South Africa's racial conflict. Tambo returned to South Africa December 13th.

A newspaper report in Seoul, South Korea, says North Korea is angry at broken secrecy and will return 880 tons of rice received from a church-affiliated charity group in South Korea. The report quoted a Korean resident in the United States who represented North Korea in the rice donation arrangement. He reportedly said the rice shipped to North Korea in July will be returned to the South either in January or February because promised secrecy for the deal was broken by South Korea.

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#90358u0830 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Monday:

Gold	
London	
Previous close fix	383.50 off 2.25
Morning fixing	382.00 off 1.50
Afternoon fixing	383.50 unchanged
Close	383.50 unchanged
Paris was closed	
Zurich	383.50 off 0.50
Hong Kong	384.50 up 1.40
New York	

The New York Commodity Exchange Inc., Republic Bank, Handy and Harman and Engelhard Corp. were closed for an extended holiday.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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DOHA, QATAR (DEC. 24) UPI - Leaders of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council met in closed sessions Monday on the third day of a summit amid

reports the pro-Western conservative alliance would set up a security network to ward off future attacks on the oil-rich region.

The summit, which began in the Qatari capital on Saturday, includes the leaders of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Oman.

Diplomatic sources said the creation of a new security network figured prominently in the talks, which were held in private Monday. They also said it was possible non-Arab Iran would be included in the plans, signaling a radical change in policy for the GCC, which backed Iraq during the 1980-1988 Iran-Iraq war.

The sources added the final communique, to be issued at the conclusion of the summit Tuesday, was likely to call for the upgrading of the defense capabilities of the member states, which already have a joint task force based in Hafr al-Batin in eastern Saudi Arabia.

The joint force, called Peninsula Shield, was inadequate to cope with the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait - a GCC member state.

Instead, Saudi Arabia called for the deployment of Arab and foreign troops in the kingdom to guard against further Iraqi agression, as did the UAE. The United States has deployed some 280,000 troops in the region along with troops from other nations.

The summit in Qatar is the first time the gulf leaders have met since the Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait showed how vulnerable the region was to attack.

''The Iraqi occupation of Kuwait and the proposed security arrangements are the pivotal points in the leaders' sessions,'' one conference source, who asked not to be identifed, said. ''Any future security or defense arrangements in the gulf region should involve Iran. ''

Iran's relations with Saudi Arabia have been tense since Saudi troops killed an estimated 400 Iranian pilgrims during riots in the holy city of Mecca four years ago.

But Tehran, Iraq's long-tim foe, has emerged as a key player in the gulf crisis, renewing links with some of the countries allied against Iraq, as well as with Iraq itself.

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#90358u0834 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) UPI - Temperatures along the East Coast began to fall, joining the western two-thirds of the nation in the Christmas Eve deep freeze.

The cold front, which dropped wind chill factors to minus 60 degrees in several Western states and made life difficult wherever it went, began pushing the mercury downward along the East Coast after a day of rain.

Temperatures in New York City, which tied a 99-year-old record with a high of 66 degrees Sunday, began dropping Monday.

''It looks like cold weather for Christmas and right on through, with lows in the 20s in the mornings to the 30s in the afternoons for the rest of the week '' said Tom Grant, a meteorologist for the National Weather Service in New York.

The warm weather caused snow to melt in northern New England, swelling rivers in New Hampshire and causing the Saco River in Maine to flood its banks. Police in North Conway said the river was 1 1/2 feet above flood stage but caused no damage. Colder weather and snow was on the way for the region.

Residents of Illinois awoke to wind chills factors as low as 36 degrees below zero Monday and there was a possibility it would get worse. At least two people died of exposure in Chicago, even though shelters for the homeless reported Monday hundreds of beds were going unused.

The National Weather Service reported the temperature fell to 8 below zero overnight in Springfield and a wind chill of 36 below was reported at Midway Airport in Chicago at 8 a.m.

''Today and tonight won't be so bad. But wait till tomorrow,'' NWS forecaster Paul Merzlock said.

Merzlock said Monday's cold, dry weather may give way to snow early Tuesday, dropping the temperature to well below zero all over the state because of the new snow cover. The low temperatures, coupled with northwesterly winds, may produce wind chills in the 40-below range.

The cold even marched through Atlanta, pushed by 25-mph winds that gusted to 40 mph. Temperatures early Monday were below freezing and the wind chill made it seem like 5 degrees.

Unstable weather lingered over the upper Midwest Monday, dumping several inches of snow on Ohio and Indiana and leaving rain and icy roads in its path in Kentucky and West Virginia.

''It's cold and it's blowing, we got about 3 inches and the roads are very slippery,'' said chief dispatcher Patricia Seetch of the Cleveland police, who said she was not thrilled with the prospect of a white Christmas. ''I would prefer it clean and dry.''

Ohio drivers apparently did well Monday morning as they faced their first

significant snowfall since last winter. Five inches of snow was on the ground near Russell east of Cleveland, 4 inches at Cleveland and Findlay, 3 at Akron-Canton, Mansfield and Toledo, and one-inch at Columbus, Cincinnati, Dayton, Youngstown and Zanesville.

Light traffic on Christmas Eve also helped the situation.

''We had a few accidents but I don't think we had any injuries,'' Seetch said. They were mostly fender benders.'' Asked what might have happened if there would have been normal Monday morning rush-hour ''

In Medina County, Ohio, however, there were two fatal accidents Sunday night.

The weather in a word for the rest of the nation was cold. The Rocky Mountain states continued to suffer through chilly temperatures made more brutal by winds that gusted to 60 mph in Colorado and Wyoming prompting high wind advisories. Temperatures were 10 degrees above zero.

The cold weather even chilled California, where a freeze warning was in effect for San Franciso with lows in the 20s and winds at 25 mph while in Southern California, cold weather caused major damage to citrus, lettuce and avocado crops.

''It's the most extensive damage I've seen, ever,'' said Clark Briggs of the California Farm Bureau Federation.

Produce prices will almost certainly increase because of the damage, he said.

Homeless people across the southern third of the country packed shelters as temperatures from California to Mississippi were well below normal.

The fast-moving storm over downeast Maine continued to produce a variety of winter weather across much of Vermont and northeast New York at mid-morning. Mooers, N.Y., in northern Clinton County, picked up over 8 inches of snow while the largest snow tallies in Vermont include 7 1/2 inches at St. Albans and 6 inches at Fairfield.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 24) UPI - The Congress of People's Deputies approved a symbolic resolution Monday calling for the Soviet Union to remain intact and ordered a national referendum to decide the issue.

President Mikhail Gorbachev pushed through his plans for a national vote on the future of the union and another referendum on land ownership at the beginning of the second week of the Congress, which still must vote on

controversial new presidential powers Gorbachev is seeking.

Earlier Monday deputies approved largely symbolic resolutions supporting the call for the country to remain intact, approving Gorbachev's draft of a new ''union treaty'' and retaining the country's name ''Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.''

But the congressional votes to preserve the Soviet Union will have little practical effect, however, because the fate of the union treaty binding the 15 republics together still depends on the agreement of each republic.

The resolution ordering a referendum on whether the Soviet Union should remain ''a single united state'' - approved by a vote of 1,678-32 with 65 abstaining - said the issue was ''the most vital problem of the life of the country.''

It called for the Supreme Soviet or standing Parliament to set a date for the vote ''to decide the question of maintaining a renewed union as a federation of sovereign Soviet socialist republics having equal rights, with a vote of each republic considered separately.''

The Baltic republics have already declared their independence from the Soviet Union and along with other separatists have opposed the idea of a referendum.

Even if the majority of a republic voted to secede, Gorbachev has said the republic would still need to follow a long and complicated process set by the central government before it would be allowed to leave the Soviet Union.

Details of the referendum were to be worked out by the Supreme Soviet. The country still does not have a final law governing referendums, and a bill earlier given preliminary approval by the Supreme Soviet prohibited a popular vote from changing the borders of the country.

Asked by a deputy why a referendum was necessary when the republics should be able to determine for themselves whether to remain in the Soviet Union, Gorbachev responded angrily, ''We are talking about the expression of the people's will on the core questions of the life of the country.''

A poll taken last week by an arm of the Congress found that 52.7 percent of those questioned supported keeping the Soviet Union intact, but the survey did not include Lithuania, Latvia and Georgia, republics where independence sentiment is high.

An earlier symbolic measure supporting ''the preservation in its entirety the country ... and the transformation of the multinational state into a voluntary union of sovereign equal republics'' was approved by an overwhelming 1,657-20 vote.

A proposal to accept ''in principle'' Gorbachev's draft of a new ''union

treaty'' won by a 1,491-88 vote.

But several republics have already said they will refuse to sign the treaty or indicated they will demand that it include provisions unacceptable to Gorbachev. The breakaway Baltic republics as well as Armenia and Georgia are at least partially boycotting the Congress.

The order for a referendum on land ownership, approved by a 1,553-83 vote with 70 abstaining, also faces a tough challenge. The huge Russian republic's legislature approved private ownership earlier this month and leaders of the republic have said a referendum is not needed on the issue.

The Congress, which entered the second week of its fourth session Monday, also voted 1,365-169 with 170 abstaining to maintain the name ''Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.''

The draft of the new union treaty dropped the word ''socialist'' from the name of the country, replacing it with ''sovereign,'' and Gorbachev has recently supported a change to ''Union of Sovereign Soviet Republics.''

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#90358u0868 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) UPI - Defense Secretary Dick Cheney reports chances of peacefully settling the Iraqi crisis are fading with each passing day. He offered that assessment today in Cairo on his way back to Washington from a tour of front line positions in Saudi Arabia. Cheney's comments come as Iraq's Saddam Hussein says he will strike first at Tel Aviv, Israel, if attacked- even if the Israelis are NOT involved in the conflict. Hussein has made vague threats before to drag Isral into the conflict but this new statement, made during an interview with a Spanish T-V station, is the first naming a specific Israeli target.

The very future of the Soviet Union will be decided by national referendum, a proposal backed by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev . He was able to get the Congress of People's Deputies to approve the idea as it began a second week of meetings that will have far reaching implications on future Soviet history. The delegates also approved referendum's on a prime tenant of Communism, the issue of who owns the land. Congress members must still vote on the controversial issue of giving Gorbachev wider ranging powers to battle the country's latest crisis.

The severe cold that sent temperatures plummeting througout the Midwest has finally arrive on the East Coast. New York City tied a 99- year-old record of 66 degrees yesterday but temperatures have been dropping ever since. Unstable weather remains hung up over the upper Midwest where wind chills of 60 degrees below zero have been common since late last week. And the cold helped chill Californians again. A freeze warning was posted for San Francisco as

temperatures headed into the 20's.

The Navy has yet to release the names of two servicemen from the aircraft carrier Midway who died yesterday in the Unied Arab Emirates. Five other Midway servicemen were injured when the vehicle taking them on an off-road tour overturned. They were on a ship-sponsored liberty trip at the time.

Australians are bracing for Cyclone Joy as it aims 124 mile-an-hour winds toward Queensland State on Austalia's northeast coast. Forecasters in Brisbane report the storm is moving southwestward towards land. They warn of the possibilty of major destruction if it makes landfall over any populated area of northeast Australia.

Boot prints and tire tracks left in the snow are enough to give authorities in Michigan a good idea of who let eight buffalo out of their pens in the state's eastern Upper Peninsula. But that doesN'T do much good when it comes to getting the buffalo back safely. They've been spotted from the air twice less than three miles from their pen near the community of Brimley, Michigan. And attempts to lure them back with bales of hay have proved unsuccessful.

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#90358u0880 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

SRINAGAR, India (DEC. 24) UPI - Moslem militants attacked paramilitary patrols in three places in the Kashmir Valley, triggering reprisal raids by security forces that killed nine people, including a 10-month-old baby, police said Monday.

At least 22 people, including three troopers from the Central Reserve Police Force, also were wounded in the incidents, which were part of the ongoing Moslem secessionist campaign in northern Jammu and Kashmir state, a police official said.

The revolt in Kashmir gained widespread popular support in mid- January when security forces opened fire on a peaceful protest, killing at least 35 people. More than 2,500 people have been killed in violence since then.

Moslem rebels are demanding a Kashmir free of India because of alleged discrimination practiced against the Moslem-majority state by the Hindu-dominated central government in New Delhi.

The worst of the incidents Sunday took place near the village of Pakharpora, 30 miles south of the state capital of Srinagar, after militants ambushed a convoy of 10 army vehicles, a police official said.

No soldiers were wounded in the attack, but 30 minutes later, military reinforcements arrived and stormed the nearby village of Pakharpora looking for the attackers, the official said.

The soldiers killed nine people, including a 10-month-old baby, and wounded 15 other people while conducting house-to-house searches in the village, the official said. The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, did not say why the villagers were killed. Most of the people were shot in their homes, he said.

The wounded were taken to Srinagar and admitted in Shri Maharaja Hari Singh hospital.

A state government spokesman denied the account given by the police official. The spokesman said the people killed and wounded in the incident had been caught in the crossfire when Moslem militants ambushed the army convoy.

Security forces angered by militant ambushes have repeatedly attacked villages in Kashmir, ransacking homes, shooting residents and setting houses on fire in retaliation.

Emergency regulations passed by the New Delhi-appointed governor allow authorities to destroy houses used by militants for planning or staging attacks on security forces. Authorities have cited the regulations as a rationale for the retaliatory raids.

Residents from nearby villages staged a strike Monday to protest the killings, the police official said.

Militants also ambushed security patrols at two places in downtown Srinagar Sunday, wounding three paramilitary policemen. The troopers opened fire at one place, wounding four bystanders, a state government official said. In both incidents, the militants escaped.

India has repeatedly accused neighboring Moslem Pakistan of arming and training the Kashmiri rebels. Islamabad denies the charges but acknowledges moral support for the Kashmiri secessionist movement.

Authorities said two rebels had been killed Monday while trying to cross the frontier into India from Pakistan.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Monday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 69.25-70.75 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 117.625-118.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 34.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 39.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $180.00-$195.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $410.00-$431.00; dealer-approx. , $421.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $104.00-$108.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 271.50 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - Team-by-team look at the NFL playoff situation of each contender:

AFC East

Buffalo (13-2) clinched AFC East title and home field throughout playoffs.

Miami (11-4) clinched wild-card berth. Dolphins will play home in wild-card game if they defeat Indianapolis Sunday.

AFC Central

Pittsburgh (9-6) wins division title by defeating Houston Sunday. Steelers can gain at least a wild-card berth if Cincinnati and Seattle lose.

Cincinnati (8-7) wins division title with victory over Cleveland Sunday if Houston defeats Pittsburgh. If Steelers win, Bengals earn wild-card berth with victory and Seattle loss to Detroit.

Houston (8-7) wins division with victory over Pittsburgh if Cincinnati loses to Cleveland. Oilers earn wild-card berth if they win, Cincinnati wins and Seattle loses.

AFC West

Los Angeles (11-4) clinched a playoff berth and will win division with victory against San Diego Sunday or Kansas City loss Saturday to Chicago.

Kansas City (10-5) clinched a playoff berth. Chiefs win division if they defeat Chicago Saturday and Raiders lose Sunday to San Diego.

Seattle (8-7) earns wild-card spot with victory over Detroit if Houston or Cincinnati loses.

NFC East

New York (12-3) clinched division title, first-round bye and home field in second-round game.

Philadelphia (9-6) clinched wild-card berth. Eagles will host wild- card game if they defeat Phoenix or Washington loses to Buffalo.

Washington (9-6) clinched wild-card berth. Redskins will host wild- card game if they defeat Buffalo and Philadelphia loses to Phoenix.

Dallas (7-8) clinches wild-card spot with victory over Atlanta Sunday, or New Orleans loss next Monday night to Los Angeles Rams.

NFC Central

Chicago (11-4) clinched division title. Bears will play home against Dallas or New Orleans in the first round of the playoffs.

NFC West

San Francisco (13-1) clinched division title and home field throughout playoffs.

New Orleans (7-8) clinches wild-card berth with victory over Los Angeles Rams next Monday night if Dallas loses to Atlanta.

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(All times EST)
Dec. 8
Raisin Bowl
At Fresno, Calif.
San Jose State 48, Central Michigan 24

Dec. 15
Independence Bowl
At Shreveport, La.
Louisiana Tech 34, Maryland 34

Dec. 25
Aloha Bowl
At Honolulu
Arizona vs. Syracuse, 3:30 p.m.

Dec. 27
Liberty Bowl
At Memphis, Tenn.
Air Force vs. Ohio State, 8 p.m.

Dec. 28
All-American Bowl
At Birmingham, Ala.
Southern Mississippi vs. N.C. State, 7:30 p. m.

Dec. 28
Blockbuster Bowl
At Miami
Florida State vs. Penn State, 8 p.m.

Dec. 29
Peach Bowl
At Atlanta
Indiana vs. Auburn, 12:30 p.m.

Dec. 29
Freedom Bowl
At Anaheim, Calif.
Colorado State vs. Oregon, 8 p.m.

Dec. 29
Holiday Bowl

At San Diego
Brigham Young vs. Texas A&M, 8 p.m.

Dec. 31
Hancock Bowl
At El Paso, Texas
Michigan State vs. Southern Cal, 2:30 p.m.

Dec. 31
Copper Bowl
At Tucson, Ariz.
California vs. Wyoming, 5 p.m.

Jan. 1
Gator Bowl
At Jacksonville, Fla.
Mississippi vs. Michigan, 11:30 a.m.

Jan. 1
Hall of Fame Bowl
At Tampa, Fla.
Clemson vs. Illinois, 1 p.m.

Jan. 1
Citrus Bowl
At Orlando, Fla.
Georgia Tech vs. Nebraska, 1:30 p.m.

Jan. 1
Cotton Bowl
At Dallas
Texas vs. Miami, 1:30 p.m.

Jan. 1
Fiesta Bowl
At Tempe, Ariz.
Alabama vs. Louisville, 4:30 p.m.

Jan. 1
Rose Bowl
At Pasadena, Calif.
Iowa vs. Washington, 5 p.m.

Jan. 1
Orange Bowl
At Miami
Colorado vs. Notre Dame, 8 p.m.

Jan. 1
Sugar Bowl
At New Orleans
Tennessee vs. Virginia, 8:30 p.m.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 24) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Monday.

Butter: (92 score A) 96 1/2-98 1/4; (93 score AA) 97 1/4-98 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 94-97; large 90-96; medium 78-84.

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OMAHA (DEC. 24) UPI - Livestock:
Cattle; not enough steers or heifers to establish a market.

Hogs 800; barrows and gilts 2.00 lower. U.S. 1-3 220-250 lbs 50.50-51.00; U.S. 2-3 250-280 lbs 48.00-49.50, some U.S. 1-3 250-260 lbs 50.50-51. 00. Sows steady. U.S. 1-3 350-500 lbs 39.00-39. 50, some 450-500 lbs 39.50-40.00; U.S. 2-3 500 650 lbs 43.50-44.00. Boars all weights 36.00-36. 50.

Sheep 25; not enough offered to establish a market.

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#90358u0928 12/24/1990 ~United Press International
ATHENS, Greece (DEC. 24) UPI - A special magistrate investigating a major embezzlement scandal issued a warrant Monday for the arrest of former Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou, court officials said.

Special Magistrate Spyros Spyrou, who was authorized by the Greek Parliament to probe a scandal involving the embezzlement of more than $200 million from the Bank of Crete, issued the warrant after Papandreou ignored a court summons to testify.

Spyrou summoned the former premier to appear in court after hearing testimony from three former ministers in Papandreou's Cabinet. Two were remanded to custody.

Papandreou, prime minister of Greece for two terms between 1981 and 1989, refused to obey the court summons, saying the case was politically motivated and he had already told Parliament whatever he had to say.

The scandal involved the former Bank of Crete President George Koskotas who allegedly embezzled $200 million from the bank and funneled part of the money into the campaign funds of Papandreou's Pan-Hellenic Socialist Movement.

Koskotas, who fled Greece in 1988 when the scandal began to unravel, was arrested in the United States on other charges weeks later, and is currently being held in a Massachusetts jail awaiting extradition to Greece.

The so-called ''Koskotas scandal,'' and other scandals involving Papandreou's personal life-style, were believed responsible for PASOK's defeat in the 1989 general elections, and Papandreou's fall from power.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings Per Share for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
AEP Industries (4th Q 10-31)	
$36,096,000	$31,339,000
$1,058,000 (.22)	$1,783,000 (.38)
Andal Corp (4th Q 9-30)	
$14,912,000	$19,332,000
d-$3,296,000	$95,000 (.01)
d-Deficit.	
Baltimore Gas & Elec (12 Mos 11-30)	
$2,145,234,000	$1,975,198,000
$240,698,000 (2.45)	$272,721,000 (3.02)
Dandees Enterprises (Year 8-31)	
$1,164,669	$874,699
d-$995,793	d-$287,836
d-Deficit.	
Engineered Support Sys (4th Q 10-31)	
$19,171,000	$20,396,000
$424,000 (.13)	$843,000 (.25)
Microscience Intl (3rd Q 9-30)	
$19,509,000	$13,974,000

d-$13,825,000 d-$7,970,000
d-Deficit.

Microsemi Corp (4th Q 9-30)
$23,524,000 $25,221,000
d-$11,509,000 d-$9,421,000
d-Deficit.

Nature's Bounty (Year 9-30)
$70,768,849 $62,662,895
$723,370 (.77) $287,384 (.29)

Prism Entertainment (3rd Q 10-31)
$3,627,000 $4,601,000
d-$582,000 $295,000 (.18)
d-Deficit.

Strodyn Inc (3rd Q 12-1)
$2,497,000 $2,889,000
d-$332,000 $124,000 (.05)
d-Deficit.

Solectron Corp (1st Q 11-30)
$53,587,000 $42,248,000
$1,778,000 (.28) $1,440,000 (.31)

V Band Corp (4th Q 10-31)
$4,584,000 $6,874,000
d-$3,475,000 d-$1,932,000
d-Deficit.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

.	Local	Temp	
City	Time	F	C
Aberdeen pc	1pm	38	03
Amsterdm cy	1pm	44	07
Ankara pc	3pm	31	00
Athens pc	2pm	46	07
Auckland cy	12m	67	19
Beijing c	8pm	28	02
Beirut c	2pm	-	-
Berlin c	1pm	35	02
Bonn cy	1pm	42	05
Brussels cy	1pm	43	06

Cairo pc	2pm	73	23
Casablanca pc	12n	62	17
Copenhagn cy	1pm	39	04
Dakar pc	12n	61	16
Dublin c	1pm	41	05
Geneva cy	1pm	37	03
Helsinki f	2pm	37	03
Hong Kong c	8pm	65	18
Jerusalem -	2pm	-	-
Karachi c	5pm	74	23
Lisbon cy	1pm	58	14
London cy	1pm	48	09
Madrid c	1pm	40	04
Malta c	1pm	61	16
Manila pc	8pm	79	26
Moscow cy	3pm	22	05
Nairobi cy	3pm	77	25
Nassau c	7am	59	15
New Delhi -	6pm	-	-
Nice cy	1pm	50	10
Oslo dz	1pm	43	06
Paris cy	1pm	38	03
Pretoria pc	2pm	86	30
Riyadh c	3pm	74	23
Rome r	1pm	49	09
Seoul c	9pm	30	b01
Sofia cy	2pm	32	00
Stockholm cy	1pm	41	05
Sydney pc	10pm	72	22
Taipei c	8pm	62	17
Tokyo c	9pm	47	08
Tunis pc	1pm	57	14
Vienna cy	1pm	27	02
Warsaw c	1pm	30	b01

Latin America

Buenos Aires pc	9am	74	23
Caracas c	8am	-	-
Havana c	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	68	20
Mexico City c	6am	-	-
Rio de Janeiro c	9am	80	26
Santiago c	8am	68	20

Canada

Calgary cy		27	02

Edmonton sn	25	04
Montreal sn	38	03
Ottawa sn	39	04
Regina -	--	-
Toronto sn	38	03
Vancouver sl	27	b02
Winnipeg -	--	-

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

-30- 2375
#90358u0956 12/24/1990 ~United Press International
MANILA, Philippines (DEC. 24) UPI - Government troops and communist guerrillas silenced their guns Monday at the start of a Christmas holiday truce, allowing Filipinos a brief respite from the bloody 21- year insurgency.

Special combat units in the capital and strategic provinces, however, have been placed on alert amid fresh rumors right-wing soldiers were planning to stage a seventh coup attempt against President Corazon Aquino.

Meanwhile, Aquino in a Christmas message called for peace in her troubled nation, hard hit by a series of natural calamities, threats from both left and right, and the impact of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Cardinal Jaime Sin, Manila archbishop and highest church leader in this predominantly Roman Catholic country, said in a message the holidays were a ''Christmas-in-crisis'' and said ''a climate of vague fears and gloom is before us.''

The government has declared a three-day Christmas cease-fire beginning Sunday, while the 17,000-strong communist New People's Army has said its members would halt hostilities for two days starting Monday.

Both forces also have agreed to observe a three-day truce during the New Year. The NPA has for 21 years waged a war to overthrow the government and set up a

Marxist state in the Philippines.

The armed forces joint operations center in the capital said reports from field commanders showed the truce appeared to be holding across the archipelago's 7,100 islands.

A military report showed the last insurgency-related incident occurred Saturday when guerrillas ambushed a car carrying a northern town mayor, killing one of his security escorts and wounding another.

Mayor Virgilio Herrero of Baggao town in Cagayan province, 240 miles north of Manila, was unhurt when the vehicle managed to speed away and elude the ambushers, the report said.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	18	01	...
Anchorage sn	31	19	...
Asheville w	62	31	2.09
Atlanta w	73	29	.44
Baltimore pc	69	48	.76
Billings cy	17	08	...
Birmingham mc	53	23	.81
Bismarck sn	12	07	...
Boston w	67	47	.41
Brownsville mc	39	33	...
Buffalo sn	46	24	.43
Burlington Vt. sn	58	29	1.32
Charleston S.C. cy	76	67	.01
Charlotte w	73	52	...
Chicago mc	11	00	...
Cincinnati cy	35	07	.08
Cleveland pc	38	17	.34
Columbus Ohio sn	38	15	.16
Dallas f	26	12	...
Denver sn	21	02	...
Des Moines pc	08	02	...
Detroit mc	30	12	.16
Duluth mc	-04	-17	...
El Paso f	40	21	...
Evansville sn	17	04	...
Fargo sn	-02	-13	...
Hartford w	61	47	.52
Honolulu sh	77	69	1.06

Houston pc	31	19	.01
Indianapolis sn	22	-02	.11
Jackson Miss. pc	38	23	.01
Jacksonville cy	83	69	.04
Kansas City sy	11	04	...
Las Vegas sy	33	15	...
Little Rock pc	19	11	...
Los Angeles f	55	39	...
Louisville pc	33	09	...
Memphis sy	20	13	...
Miami Beach pc	80	71	...
Milwaukee pc	10	00	...
Minneapolis pc	-04	-14	...
Nashville pc	33	12	.26
New Orleans cy	74	31	.67
New York pc	66	56	.54
Oklahoma City f	18	13	...
Omaha pc	10	04	...
Orlando mc	82	60	...
Philadelphia pc	66	54	...
Phoenix f	47	33	...
Pittsburgh sn	60	23	.22
Portland Me. r	66	43	.86
Portland Ore. pc	25	15	...
Providence w	62	50	1.15
Richmond pc	73	62	.15
St. Louis sy	09	00	.10
Salt Lake City c	09	-07	...
San Antonio sy	41	20	...
San Diego f	55	43	...
San Francisco sy	44	35	...
San Juan pc	82	70	.33
Seattle pc	30	22	...
Spokane cy	10	05	...
Tampa mc	82	67	...
Washington pc	71	57	.19
Wichita sy	17	03	.06

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain

sh-showers
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
sn-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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Editors:

International spot crude oil and spot product prices were unavailable Monday due to the holidays.
UPI-New York

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#90358u1002 12/24/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 24) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein reportedly says even if Israel is NOT involved, his first target will be the Israeli city of Tel Aviv if war erupts in the Persian Gulf. That's according to the Spanish news agency E-F-E which quotes Saddam's interview with spanish television.

Saddam has made vague threats against Israel in the event of war, but his vow to attack Tel Aviv appears to be the first time he's mentioned a specific Israeli target. The threat follows comments by Defense Secretary Cheney that U-S forces are ready to attack Iraqi troops ''today'' if necessary to drive them out of Kuwait.

Investigators want to find out why a vehicle overturned in the United Arab Emirates yesterday. The U-S embassy reports two American servicemen from the carrier Midway died and five others were injured. The deaths raise to 79 the number of U-S serivcemen killed by various accidents in Operation Desert Shield.

A referendum to be held at a date yet to be set will decide if the Soviet Union remains a federation, or if individual states go their separate ways. The Soviet Congress of People's Deputies approved the referendum idea in a clear 16-hundred-78 to 32 vote with 65 abstentions.

The carol about ''away in the manger'' might be changed to ''away from the manger'' this Christmas. Police barricades and security booths ring Manger Square in Bethlehem as armed solders and journalists far outnumber the few pilgrims who turned up in the Israeli-occupied West Bank.

Military officials in Sri Lanka say Tamil rebels today detonated a land mine beneath a military truck that was taking sick troops for treatment at a hospital in the eastern part of the country. The blast killed 14 soldiers and three civilian women. The attack comes a week after six soldiers and a senior police official died in a similar blast.

In the Philippines, a top aide to the vice mayor of the liberty city of Angeles and his bodyguard were gunned down by unidentified assassins as they cruised along a highway outside the U-S Clark Air Base in a jeep. Police sources say the assailants could be right-wig extremists or political opponents of the victims.

Lebanese Army troops have arrested a number of suspects in the killing of an official of the conservative Christian Phalange Party. Police say two assailants, using silencer-equipped guns, opened fire on Elie Daou and his pregnant wife late yesterday at their Beirut home. Daou died instantly while his wife was critically wounded.

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#90358u1012 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (DEC. 24) UPI - The ruling Communists retained control of Serbia's assembly, while the Communist Party chief in neighboring Montenegro won election as president, returns runoffs of the first post- war multi-party elections held by the two Yugoslav republics said Monday.

In a related development, officials in the Slovenian Republic said that final results from a plebiscite Sunday on independence showed that 88.2 percent of more than 1.35 million voters decided in favor of secession from the Yugoslav federation that was forged in the aftermath of World War I in 1918.

The decision will allow the ruling nationalists of the most economically developed republic to declare independence unless the leaders of the five other republics and the federal government agree within six months on a new Yugoslav constitution converting the multi- ethnic nation of 23 million into a loose confederation of independent states.

Slovenia and nationalist-ruled Croatia want to abandon the federal system because of fears of political and economic domination by Communist-governed Serbia, the largest republic.

In Belgrade, the Serbian Election Commission announced that according to incomplete returns, the Socialist Party of Serbia - the name adopted by the Communists in July - captured 44 out of the 154 seats in the unicameral assembly that were contested in second-round runoffs on Sunday.

Combined with the 87 places won in the Dec. 9 first round, Marxist President Slobodan Milosevic's party commanded 131 seats, five more than needed for a

working majority in the 250-member assembly, the commission said.

The commission said the 10-party United Opposition of Serbia coalition won at least 45 seats in the second round, establishing the first significant opposition bloc in the legislature of Yugoslavia's largest republic since the Communist takeover at the end of World War II in 1945.

The results, however, also dealt the coalition a major embarrassment as they contradicted opposition leaders' claims at a news conference late Sunday that their candidates had won all but one of the 30 assembly seats in Belgrade, which doubles as the Serbian and national capital.

The commission said that 16 opposition candidates - eight from the Serbian Renewal Movement, seven from the Democratic Party and one from the Party of Yugoslavia - and 10 Communist contestants won seats in the prestigious Belgrade area. Results in the remainder were awaited.

Second-round runoffs were required between the two top vote-getters from first-round contests in which no one won more than 50 percent of the ballots. Some 4.3 million of 6.8 million registered voters were eligible to participate. There was no official announcement on the turnout.

The Communist victory reinforces the mandate won by Milosevic in first-round balloting for president, raising serious concerns about the course he will now follow in the dispute over the future political structure of Yugoslavia.

Milosevic, 49, has rejected the confederation proposal by predominantly Roman Catholic Slovenia and Croatia unless Serbia's borders are enlarged to include Serbian enclaves in neighboring republics, a demand seen as an almost certain formula for civil war. He has refused to negotiate on his call for maintaining the federation, in which the more than 8 million Christian Orthodox Serbs form the majority.

That view is also embraced by Milosevic's Communist allies in Montenegro, where the party leader, Momir Bulatovic, was elected president with 186,150 second-round votes, said election commission in the capital, Titograd, 250 miles southwest of Belgrade.

It said 54,167 votes went to Ljubisha Stankovic of the Alliance of Reformist Forces, which favors Western-style political and economic reforms.

The two were forced into a runoff after the Dec. 9 first round because Bulatovic failed to get the votes of 51 percent of the votes.

The League of Communists of Montenegro won 83 seats in the Montenegro Assembly in the first round, while the reformists captured 17, the Democratic Coalition 13 and a nationalist party 12.

Serbia and Montenegro, many of whose 500,000 people claim to be ethnic Serbs, were the last two republics to hold multi-party polls following the breakup last January from ethinc rivalries of the Yugoslav Communist organization. Nationalists ousted Communists in the other four republics.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Northwest Airlines reportedly has arranged financing to buy the Northeast shuttle of struggling Pan Am Corp. for about $150 million.

The sale, if concluded, would ease the cash shortage at financially strapped Pan Am, with has opened talks about a possible merger with Trans World Airlines Inc.

The Wall Street Journal reported Monday that Northwest had arranged financing with PacifiCorp. of Portland, Ore. Northwest, a unit of NWA Inc., would operate the shuttle linking New York, Boston and Washington, with an option to buy it from PacifiCorp., the newspaper said.

Northwest spokesman Doug Miller declined comment on the report.

Northwest has not publicly expressed an interest in the shuttle, which Pan Am placed on the market earlier this year. However, the airline held talks with Pan Am in the fall, regarding a possible deal for unspecified assets.

''Nothing came of that,'' Miller said.

A spokesman for Pan Am in New York could not be reached for comment.

Meanwhile, representatives of Pan Am and TWA were exploring the possibility of a merger between the two carriers. The status of those talks Monday was not known.

Pan Am Chairman Thomas Plaskett opened the way for a possible merger Friday in a letter responding to an offer from TWA owner Carl Icahn. Plaskett said ''the time is right'' for the two airlines to explore a possible combination.

But, he added, ''Pan Am requires bridge financing to cover its financial needs during the several-month period - coinciding with our low traffic season - that we expect it will take to obtain necessary regulatory and shareholder approval.''

Icahn, who offered to buy Pan Am for $1.50 a share cash plus $1 in preferred stock or promissory notes, has said he would be willing loan Pan Am money only as part of bankrutpcy court proceeding that would give TWA a priority lien on unsecured Pan Am assets. Pan Am has 150 million shares outstanding.

Icahn is said to be willing to loan Pan Am between $75 million and $100 million, the Journal reported Monday.

Spokesman for Icahn could not be reached for comment.

Cash-strapped Pan Am, which has sought waivers from its creditors in recent months, reached a separate agreement in October to sell its five U.S-London routes and other assets to United Airlines for $400 million.

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#90358u1050 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 24) UPI - President Bush met for three hours Monday with his senior military advisers to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis and he delivered a televised Christmas Eve message to the troops deployed in the Middle East.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, met at Camp David with Bush from 9 a.m. EST until about noon, a White House spokesman said.

Cheney and Powell detailed the findings of their just-completed trip to the gulf region.

Neither the White House nor the Pentagon would discuss the assessment offered by Cheney and Powell, but it was believed they discussed the readiness of U.S. and allied forces to conduct offensive operations against Iraq after the United Nations-mandated Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to pull out of Kuwait.

It was the first meeting between Bush and his two top military advisers since last week's statement by a top U.S. commander in Saudi Arabia that American forces and equipment may not be in place by the mid-January deadline.

Bush has ordered the deployment of 430,000 American forces to the region and thousands of fresh troops are arriving in the desert every day. Cheney, Powell and other administration officials have said that all air force units and most ground operations will be in place and ready for combat by the Jan. 15 deadline.

Bush went to his presidential retreat in the western Maryland mountains Friday for the holidays. He took time for briefings on developments in the gulf where troops are on heightened alert.

So far, there has been no give on either side to arrange for an exchange of meetings with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz visiting Washington and Secretary of State James Baker going to Baghdad.

Other top administration officials were either out of town or leaving. Vice President Dan Quayle planned to ski with his family at Vail, Colo. before

leaving for Saudi Arabia Saturday. Secretary of State James Baker was vacationing and Cheney planned to fly home to Wyoming Monday afternoon.

In his holiday message, taped last week and broadcast Monday, Bush said:

''We're in the gulf because the world must not reward aggression, because our vital interests are at stake and because of the brutality and danger of Saddam Hussein. We're there backed by 12 United Nations resolutions and the forces of 25 other countries.

''The sacrifices you make will never be forgotten,'' he said. ''America is behind you. The world is behind you and history is behind you. When you come home, and we hope it's soon, you'll be welcomed as what you are - all-American heroes.''

Bush planned to conduct his official business from his hideaway in Catoctin National Park with a complex state-of-the-art communications at his disposal.

Meanwhile, members of the Bush clan converged to celebrate Christmas Day with the first family.

In addition to the gulf crisis, Bush closely monitored developments in Moscow where a domestic political upheaval threatens the government of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

On the domestic front, the president was culling ideas for his State of the Union address Jan. 29 and preparing a new federal budget for the 1992 fiscal year.

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#90358u1069 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon (DEC. 24) UPI - Relatives and friends of U.S. hostage Terry Anderson and British hostage John McCarthy sent them messages of support on Christmas eve urging them to keep morale high.

''John. The fifth Christmas without you, without your laughter and kindness. For a fifth time, our tidings of comfort and joy are diminished by your absence,'' said a message to be published McCarthy's loved ones.

''Again, we try to imagine your plight and hope you realize we all miss you,'' the message said. ''Stay as cheerful as you can and please be assured we all miss you and love you.''

The message was to be published by two leading Beirut newspapers, An- Nahar and As-Safir, Tuesday.

McCarthy was en route to Beirut airport April 17, 1986, after completing a

32-day assignment in Lebanon with Worldwide Television News when he was snatched by gunmen.

McCarthy had fallen victim of a wave of anti-Western abductions by pro-Iranian zealots that broke out in 1984.

The Beirut newspapers were also scheduled to publish two other statements, one signed by Anderson's sister Peggy Say, and the other by his wife Madeleine and his daughter Sulome.

''I hope you are staying strong and well, and like us, living in hope that this will be your last Christmas in captivity. Perhaps our miracle will happen and we'll welcome you home in time to share the beginning of the new year,'' Say said.

Say, who has relentlessly campaigned for the release of her brother, said: ''You and your fellow hostages have not been forgotten, Terry, and you will never be.

''For every day that you suffer, thousands of Americans agonize with you.''

Madeleine and Sulome urged him to maintain high morale, saying ''we are so near you and yet so far. But our hopes are always high for a bright future and reunion forever.''

Sulome was born shortly after her father was kidnapped March 16, 1984, in the mainly Moslem sector of Beirut.

Anderson and McCarthy are among 12 foreigners still held by pro- Iranian Moslem fundamentalists in secret hideouts in Lebanon.

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#90358u1070 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 24) UPI - Here are the names of victims of the Dec. 21 ferry boat accident near the USS Saratoga in Haifa, Israel. The bodies of 20 of the sailors have been recovered.

Missing is Aviation Ordinanceman Third Class Anthony J. Fleming, 25, Buffalo, N.Y., assigned to the Air Antisubmarine Squadron 30, Cecil Field, Fla.

-Aviation Electrician's Mate Third Class Michael L. Belliveau, 24, Lakewood, Colo, assigned to NAS Cecil Field, Fla., on temporary duty to the USS Saratoga.

-Aviation Storekeeper Gilbert A. Fontaine, 22, Spring Valley, N.Y., assigned to the Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron 132, Whidbey Island, Wash.

-Airman Apprentice Alexander Jones, 19, St. Louis, USS Saratoga.

-Mess Management Specialist Apprentice Nathaniel H. Kemp, 18, Greenwood, Fla., USS Saratoga.

-Aviation Boatswain's Mate Second Class Marvin J. Plummer, 27, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., USS Saratoga.

-Radioman Roderick T. Stewart, 20, Shreveport, La., USS Saratoga.

-Airman Apprentice Christopher B. Brown, 19, Leslie, Ga., USS Saratoga.

-Airman Apprentice Darrell K. Brown, 19, Memphis, Tenn., USS Saratoga.

-Seaman Monray C. Carrington, 22, North Braddock, Pa., USS Saratoga.

-Airman Larry M. Clark, 21, Decatur, Ga., USS Saratoga.

-Signalman 3rd Class Delwin Delgado, 26, Jacksonville, Fla., USS Saratoga.

-Fireman Wilton L. Huyghue, 20, St. Thomas, Virgin, Islands, USS Saratoga.

-Fire Control Technician 3rd Class Timothy J. Jackson, 20, Anniston, Ala., USS Saratoga.

-Airman Brent A. McCreight, 23, Eminence, Ky., USS Sarthe USS Saratoga.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 24) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Friday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Feb	76.50	76.88	76.47	76.78	76.57
Apr	76.47	76.55	76.32	76.45	76.38
Jun	74.25	74.60	74.25	74.50	74.30
Aug	72.70	73.00	72.70	72.85	72.68
Oct	72.95	73.05	72.75	72.75	72.82
Dec	73.60	73.90	73.60	73.60	73.80
Feb	....	....	....	74.25	74.25

Est. sales 4,584 contracts; Friday 7,204; open interest 69,632 up 974.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	88.70	88.85	88.63	88.82	88.63
Mar	86.05	86.30	86.00	86.25	86.05
Apr	84.63	84.85	84.63	84.80	84.55
May	83.60	83.70	83.60	83.65	83.55
Aug	83.40	83.43	83.40	83.35	83.22

Sep 82.90 82.90 82.90 82.70 82.70
Oct .... 82.75 .... 82.53 82.53
Nov .... 82.55 .... 82.50 82.50 Est. sales 363 contracts; Friday 1,053; open interest 12,001 off 23.
Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 49.15 49.45 48.75 48.78 49.08
Apr 47.35 47.75 47.20 47.38 47.50
Jun 51.45 51.95 51.45 51.65 51.55
Jul 51.60 51.95 51.60 51.92 51.75
Aug 50.00 50.35 50.00 50.20 49.95
Oct 44.80 45.10 44.75 44.85 44.65
Dec .... 45.25 .... 45.25 45.20 Est. sales 2,484 contracts; Friday 5,733; open interest 23,556 off 243.
Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 62.70 65.05 63.80 64.20 64.63
Mar 64.70 64.75 63.55 63.75 64.38
May 64.70 64.95 63.90 64.18 64.55
Jul 64.50 64.95 63.60 63.75 64.30
Aug .... 62.03 62.03 62.30 Est. sales 1,915 contracts; Friday 3,357; open interest 12,306 off 116.
CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - There will be no beef and pork report from Omaha Monday due to the Christmas holiday.

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#90358u1092 12/24/1990 ~United Press International
MANAGUA, NICARAGUA (DEC. 24) UPI - The government devalued the Nicaraguan currency by 9 percent Monday, despite citizens' hopes for Christmas relief from the regular devaluations.

The old codoba dropped to 2.73 million to the dollar from 2.48 million. The dollar is worth about 3 million cordobas on the black market.

The newspaper Barricada said the Nicaraguan people had falsely expected a Christmas break from the regular currency devaluations.

''This means Nicaraguans will have to pay out more money today (Christmas eve) '' Barricada said.

The Christmas eve devaluation brought immediate price hikes in gasoline, transport and basic products.

The cordoba oro, Nicaragua's alternate official currency that continues to have very limited circulation, remained on a par with the dollar.

Salaries have remained fixed since October, after the government signed an agreement designed to control inflation with certain private and labor sectors.

Nilo Salazar, a carpenters' union secretary general, said that after the first of the year workers will be out on the street demanding work and wage increases.

''The workers cannot survive with the rhythm of inflation, especially when we are unemployed,'' Salazar said. ''We are starving to death.''

Economists and labor leaders say some 10,000 contruction workers have been out of a job for months, while the government has put a ban on hiring.

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#90358u1096 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

MOUNT VERNON, MO (DEC. 24) UPI - A federal appeals court Monday refused to intervene in a court order that allowed Nancy Cruzan's parents to remove a feeding tube that has kept her alive in a vegetative state for nearly eight years.

A three-judge panel of the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals issued a one-page ruling Monday dismissing the motion for a temporary injunction filed on behalf of Cruzan by the Rev. Patrick Mahoney, director of the Center for Christian Activism in Boca Raton, Fla.

The ruling said Mahoney's motion was denied ''for failure to demonstrate a basis for a stay pending appeal.'' The panel also found Mahoney ''has no standing to bring this appeal and the appeal is hereby dismissed.''

Officials at the Missouri Rehabilitation Center in Mount Vernon continued to list her condition as deteriorating.

Only three protesters remained outside the hospital Monday to voice their opposition to the judge's ruling, a hospital spokeswoman said. Bitter cold weather and the approach of the holidays apparently helped reduce the number of demonstrators, which had been around 20 last week.

Leaders of four Protestant denominations urged prayers for Cruzan and her family but called on opponents to stop trying to force hospital officials to resume feeding her.

Last Friday, a federal judge in Kansas City and the Missouri Supreme Court both refused to order Nancy Cruzan's feeding tube reconnected.

Doctors have said Cruzan, 33, would die within two weeks without the feeding tube that has kept her alive since a 1983 car accident left her brain-damaged. The tube was removed Dec. 14.

In June, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the Missouri Supreme Court's ruling that the Cruzans could not remove their daughter's feeding tube without ''clear and convincing evidence'' of her wishes in the absence of a written statement.

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#90358u1107 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 24) UPI - Fear of recession may have put a dent in some retail sales this holiday season, but Americans won't do without a Christmas tree.

That's the word from the National Christmas Tree Association headquarters in Milwaukee which is expecting to wrap up a 5 percent jump in sales to a total of 36 million trees this season.

''We're hearing great reports'' on tree sales, association spokeswoman Jean Weiss said. ''The holidays usually aren't affected by any recession when it comes to Christmas trees.''

Weiss said while a few areas may have seen slighlty lower prices for Christmas trees this season, nationwide prices have remained stable for the past few years at $3.25 to $5.25 a foot.

The scotch pine has been the most popular Christmas tree choice for the last several years, followed by the Douglas fir. But Weiss says most people usually choose a tree based on family tradition.

The tradition of having a family tree may be helping to keep sales of live trees up as baby boomers raise their children, according to Weiss.

''The 1990s are going to be the decade of the family and going out and picking out a tree is a real family occasion,'' she said. ''You don't get that feeling when you crawl up to the attic and get out the artifical tree.''

Another area of growth for tree growers is mail order. Weiss says in the last couple of years mail order trees have become increasingly popular with major mail houses like L.L. Bean, Hammacher Schlemmer offering them in their catalogs.

''What's great about catalog trees is that trees shipped by mail are usually very fresh trees,'' Weiss said. ''They're often cut the same day they're shipped.

''They're also usually top of the crop because most catalogs have guarantees on their merchandise,'' she said.

So how do you mail a Christmas tree?

Weiss says most often in long cardboard boxes that keep trees nicer than those arriving in bulk for tree lots. Most mail-order trees are limited to about 7 feet in height to accomodate shipping.

She added mail-order Christmas trees are an especially attractive holiday option for those living in big cities where tree lots are far away, for the disabled or homebound, or for folks who just don't have the time to go out and pick the perfect tree.

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#90358u1111 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

BEREA, OH (DEC. 24) UPI - The Cleveland Browns will release their assistant coaches at the end of the season, allowing them to search for new jobs before the team hires a new coach.

While it is not surprising that the Browns, who fired Bud Carson Nov. 5, would release his assistants, it is unusual that the news has come out before the end of the year. The assistants were first made aware of the situation when a cable television station reported the news Saturday.

Browns' spokesman Kevin Byrne said Monday the club had planned to tell the coaches at the end of the year that they were free to seek other jobs. It also is possible one or two of the 11 assistants currently with the team will be retained by the new coach.

The assistants will be allowed to use their offices at the team's training headquarters until they either find a job or a new coach is hired by the Browns.

The names of the assistants will be put on an inter-office computer message system that goes to all the teams in the league on Dec. 31, the day after the 3-12 Browns end their season. If one of the assistants is hired by another team and is paid less than what the Browns are scheduled to pay him, Cleveland would have to make up the difference in salary.

''I think the greatest fear an assistant coach has, even if he's being paid, is to sit out a year,'' Byrne said. ''It's tough to get back into the loop.''

Shofner, who had been an NFL assistant for 20 years before taking over for Carson, said it was not surprising that the team would allow the coaches to become free agents.

''When Bud got fired, we all knew we'd be looking for a job at the end of the year,'' Shofner said.

Shofner will be retained by the Browns, taking an as-yet unspecified job in the front office. Joe Popp, special assistant to the head coach, was released along with Carson.

''I've been in these situations and the new head coach probably won't keep more than one or two (of the current staff),'' Shofner said. ''That's just the way it works.''

All the assistants were given two-year contracts after last season, which means the Browns not only have to pay Carson his $400,000 salary next year but must also fork out the money for his 12-man assistant coaching staff for another season.

Even though the assistants are guaranteed a salary next year, knowing they possibly will be out of coaching next season is difficult, Shofner said.

''It's not a good deal,'' he said. ''No question, it's not a good situation.''

It's not a good situation in Cleveland for anyone these days, with the Browns coming off a 35-0 loss at Pittsburgh in which they lost eight of nine fumbles, including losing fumbles on their first three plays from scrimmage.

''Obviously, the fumbles just took the game out of hand,'' Shofner said. ''I really don't know how to evaluate it after that. Obviously, we're so fragile that when we spotted them seven or 14 points it was difficult for us to come back. We were never in the ball game.''

Shofner said quarterback Bernie Kosar, who suffered a hairline fracture in his right thumb, would not play Sunday in Cincinnati.

''I think it would be very foolish,'' Shofner said of Kosar playing and risking further injury.

The only injury suffered in the Pittsburgh game were the sore ribs experienced by receiver Reggie Langhorne, although he said he was feeling better Monday and would be re-examined Wednesday.

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#90358u1116 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (DEC. 24) UPI - Despite reported threats by Saddam Hussein, Israeli leaders said Monday they did not believe Iraq would launch a pre-emptive strike but warned Israel's military would respond with great force if attacked.

While maintaining the possibility of war in the Persian Gulf was higher than at any other time since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir urged Israelis not to worry because the Israeli military was ''ready and prepared.''

Even before the Persian Gulf crisis erupted, the Iraqi president had threatened to wipe out half of Israel with chemical weapons if the Israeli military attacked any Arab country.

In an interview with independent Madrid television station Telecinco, Saddam for the first time mentioned a specific target within Israel when he said his first target would be the coastal city of Tel Aviv if war erupted in the Persian Gulf, the Spanish news agency, the Spanish news agency EFE reported.

The news agency said Telecinco broadcast part of the interview late Sunday as a preview to a full interview scheduled to be shown Wednesday.

''There are people who speak about the possibility that Saddam Hussein will launch a pre-emptive attack'' against Israel, Defense Minister Moshe Arens told Israeli high school students in Holon, a town slightly south of Tel Aviv. ''But I don't think it is very probable.

''But of course, with that man, one cannot know. Anything can happen, '' Arens said, adding Iraq had a ''very limited capability of reaching Israel with its missiles.

Israeli leaders have emphasized during the crisis that the country was maintaining a low profile. But at the same time Israeli officials also have repeatedly stated that the Israeli military could defend the country well in case of attack.

Israel has distributed gas masks and civil defense kits to large parts of the country since the Iraqi invasion.

''He (Saddam) knows that Israel does not participate in this confrontation,'' Shamir said. ''He wants to drag us into this confrontation in order to give it the character of an Israeli-Arab confrontation.''

Israel, however, takes such threats seriously, Shamir said, adding, ''whoever will dare to attack us, will be attacked seven times more.''

''We are ready for every possibility and the Israel Defense Force is on alert in anticipation of every danger,'' Shamir said.

Arens also said Jordan had held military maneuvers but the Jordanian army posed ''no serious challenge'' to Israel.

''I hope such a conflict will not happen,'' Arens said.

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#90358u1120 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) UPI - President Bush is to get an update today on the Iraqi crisis from his top military leaders, just back from a front-line tour in Saudi Arabia. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and General Colin Powell will brief the president at the Camp David retreat outside Washington. Powell is chairman of the joint Chiefs of Staff and both he and Cheney returned to Washington late yesterday. The two are expected to tell Bush that chances of using the diplomatic option are rapidly fading.

Iraq's Saddam Hussein is rattling sabres at Israel. The Iraqi leader says he will first launch an attack on Tel Aviv if he is attacked by allied forces in the Persian Gulf. The threat was made in an interview with an independent television station in Madrid, Spain. And Saddam told the Spanish interviewers he would attack Israel- even if it is NOT involved in any military moves against his country.

In Cairo, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said today the likelihood of war is increasing as the January 15th deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait draws near. Mubarak told reporters in the Egyptian capital- quote- ''Every day that passes is bringing Iraq closer to a war.'' And he renewed a warning that Baghdad will suffer massive numbers of casualities if war erupts in the Persian Gulf.

Two more American servicemen have died in Operation Desert Shield. The U-S Embassy in Abu Dhabi says the servicemen from the aircraft carrier U-S-S Midway were killed and five others injured when a vehicle overturned while taking them on an off-road tour of the United Arab Emirates. A Navy spokesman says the accident occurred yesterday about 50 miles south of the town of Al Dofra. The cause of the accident is under investigation. It comes two days after 21 American servicemen drowned in an Israeli ferry accident.

South African officials use the phrase ''useful'' in describing 60 minutes of talks today between President Frederick de Klerk and Oliver Tambo, president of the African National Congress. Tambo returned to South Africa December 13th after three decades of exile and met with de Klerk in Pretoria. A government statement said the two jointly expressed hopes that South Africa's long years of racial conflict could be ended peacefully.

British hostage John McCarthy is spending his fifth holiday season in captivity in Lebanon. Relatives and friends today sent McCarthy a Christmas Eve message urging him to keep his spirits up. The message is to be published by two leading Beirut newspapers tomorrow. McCarthy was en route to Beirut airport April 17th, 1986, after completing a 32-day assignment in Lebanon with Worldwide Television News when he was snatched by gunmen.

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#90358u1127 12/24/1990 ~United Press International
CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Monday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 100-102; large 97-100 and mediums 85-88.

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#90358u1131 12/24/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Money Rates Monday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 6.50
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.90

60 to 89 days 8.32

90 to 119 days 8.17

120 to 149 days 7.97

150 to 179 days 7.87

180 to 270 days 7.87

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 8.80 - 7.80

Issuers 30 days 7.88

Issuers 90 days 7.41

Issuers 270 days 6.73

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 8.75

60 to 89 days 8.21

90 to 119 days 7.97

120 to 149 days 7.79

150 to 179 days 7.53

180 days 7.52

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 7.375 - 7.50

1 month 8 13-16 - 8 15-16

3 month 8.125 - 8.25

6 month 7.75 - 7.875

Year 7.625 - 7.75

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 6.54 - 6.52

6 months 6.64 - 6.62

Year 6.56 - 6.54

Federal Funds: High 7 1/4, Low 7, Close 7

Telerate Interest Rate Index Monday: 7.624 up 0.048.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90358u1136 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein recalled key ambassadors to Baghdad for consultations and told a Spanish TV station the Israeli city of Tel Aviv

would be his first target if U.S.-led forces launched an offensive.

Turkey closed its border with Iraq Monday in preparation for war.

The Spanish news agency EFE reported Monday that Saddam told independent Madrid television station Telecinco he would order a strike on Tel Aviv first even if Israel was not part of the forces battling Iraq to recapture Kuwait.

Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney had said Sunday after inspecting American troops in Saudi Arabia that U.S.-led forces were ready to launch an immediate offensive against Iraq, and said the likelihood of war was increasing as a U.N.-imposed Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait draws near.

The United Nations has authorized the U.S.-led troops to use force against Iraq if the troops are not out by that date.

President Bush met three hours Monday at his Camp David mountain retreat with Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. It was believed Cheney and Powell - who spent five days in the gulf area before returning Sunday - were briefing Bush on the readiness of U.S. and allied forces to go to war after Jan. 15.

In other developments:

-Two U.S. servicemen participating in Operation Desert Shield were killed in a traffic accident, bringing to 79 those killed since the operation began.

-Sources in Cairo, Egypt said security had been tightened at the Suez Canal amid intelligence reports of a possible sabotage attempt if war erupts.

-Saudi Arabia's King Fahd, speaking at a summit of the six-member Gulf Cooperation Council in Doha, Qatar, said the kingdom had not decided whether Kuwait would be restored through peace or war.

Even before the crisis erupted over Baghdad's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, Saddam had threatened to wipe out half of Israel with chemical weapons if the Israeli military attacked any Arab country - and since then he has repeated the threats.

But Saddam's vow to attack the coastal city of Tel Aviv was his first mention of a specific Israeli target. Saddam, whose interview with Telecinco was to be broadcast in full Wednesday after a preview Sunday night, has tried to win sympathy from Arabs by linking his occupation of Kuwait with the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza strip.

EFE said Saddam also said in the Telecinco interview that the United States wants to control the Middle East's oil fields so it can dominate Europe, Japan and eventually the Soviet Union.

Israel has distributed gas masks and civil defense kits to much of the country since the Iraqi invasion.

But despite Saddam's latest threat, Defense Minister Moshe Arens said Monday, ''There are people who speak about the possibility that Saddam Hussein will launch a pre-emptive attack (against Israel), but I don't think it is very probable.''

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said Israel takes threats seriously, but urged Israelis not to worry because the military was ''ready and prepared'' and ''whoever will dare to attack us, will be attacked seven times more.''

In Washington, an Iraqi Embassy official said Saddam has recalled Iraqi ambassadors posted in key world capitals, including those posted in the United States, the United Nations and European capitals.

''They were summoned by the Foreign Ministry for normal consultations,'' said Khalid Schewayish, embassy charge d'affaires.

He said the ambassador to Washington, Mohammed al-Mashat, flew back to Baghdad Friday and was expected to stay a week.

first summit since the Iraqi invasion.

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#90358u1138 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Moody's Investors Service is closed for the Christmas Holiday.

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#90358u1144 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

BANGKOK, THAILAND (DEC. 24) UPI - Vietnam has set up a socioeconomic plan for 1991 that focuses on cutting the population growth and improving government efficiency in anticipation of a difficult new year, Official Radio Hanoi reported.

The radio, monitored late Sunday, said the plan has adopted several measures to contribute in the 1991 socioeconomic development.

''Our country's socioeconomic situation will be very difficult in 1991,'' the radio said. ''We must continue to restrain inflation, strengthen financial and currency management.''

The radio said the plan will improve government officials' efficiency and people' standard of living. It also said illegal activities and corruption are

on the target of tough crackdown.

In addition, the government wants to cut the population growth rate to 0.06 percent compared with 1990, the radio said.

The radio said the plan will ''firmly maintain political stability, secure national defense and security and create condition for further development in subsequent year.''

The broadcast came two days after Vietnamese Prime Minister Do Muoi expressed that Vietnam will face a difficult year because the Soviet Union has cut its assistance and the remaining U.S. embargo.

The radio said Vietnam expected the gross social product will increase by 4.3 percent while national income is expected at 4.5 percent.

It said new equipment and technology are also needed to assist productive manufactories.

''We must quickly increase the value of exports to ensure that demands for the import of important materials and new equipment and technology for the 1991 plan are met,'' it said.

It said the state budget will be at $322 million to meet the demand of capital construction.

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#90358u1182 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (DEC. 24) UPI - Israel in 1990 received the highest number of immigrants in one year since the country's foundation more than 40 years ago and expected new records to be set in 1991, immigration officials said Monday.

Approximately 187,000 immigrants, the majority of them Soviet Jews, have arrived in Israel since January 1990, immigration officials said.

Their number is expected to reach 200,000 by Dec. 31, the highest number since 1949 - a year after independence - when 239,964 Jews arrived in Israel in a one-year period, officials said. In 1989, approximately 12,000 newcomers arrived in Israel.

''Every month exceeded the previous month (in 1990). The trend is upwards all the time,'' said Gad Ben-Ari, spokesman for the quasi- governmental Jewish Agency.

Israeli officials have repeatedly underlined their belief that there is an urgency to bring as many Soviet Jews to Israel as soon as possible. Ben-Ari said a combination of growing political and economic instability and rising

anti-Semitism were driving Jews out of the Soviet Union.

Ben-Ari said the airlifting of Soviet Jews to Israel had entered a new phase in recent days with the arrival of approximately 1,500 immigrants daily instead of 800 as in previous months. Since Dec. 19, approximately 8,000 immigrants arrived at Israel's Ben Gurion airport.

Israeli absorption officials are preparing a new terminal at Ben Gurion airport that will be able to handle the absorption of an additional 1,000 immigrants daily.

''It's an increase of 30 percent to 40 percent. This is going to be the pace for immigration from now on,'' Ben-Ari said. He expected in 1991 at least 400,000 immigrants would arrive in Israel.

An editorial in the mass circulation Yediot Ahronot newspaper said Israel's wildest dreams had come true, but along with the dreams came the nightmare of housing shortages. The daily said more than 600,000 immigrants will have arrived in Israel by the end of 1991 but only 400 pre-fabricated housing was ready to house the immigrants.

The mass immigration has caused a major housing shortage while rents have skyrocketed 30 percent to 40 percent since 1989. The Israeli government has pledged to build 80,000 apartments starting in 1991 but so far only several thousands are ready to house the approximately 30, 000 immigrants expected to arrive each month.

More than 1 million Soviet Jews have received invitations to emigrate to Israel, immigration officials said. Soviet authorities require any Jew who wants to emigrate to Israel to present an invitation by a relative.

Experts in Israel estimate that approximately 3 million Jews live in the Soviet Union.

Ben-Ari said the Jewish Agency currently has the potential to airlift 50,000 immigrants a month to Israel and is working to increase its capacity but he did not want to disclose further details.

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#90358u1188 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Monday:

High 306.21, low 304.41, close 304.59, off 1.61.

There was a loss of 5 cents in the average share price.

Volume 4,670,000 shares, compared with 13, 746,640 Friday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	8
New Lows	25
Advances	194
Declines	276
Unchanged	264
Total Issues	734

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(DEC. 24) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	180.01	off	0.86
ASE Market Value Index	304.59	off	1.61
Dow-Jones Industrial	2621.29	off	12.37

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#90358u1205 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Following are 2 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	x67 1-4	unch	
AT&T Company	x30 1-4	off	3-8
BCE Inc	33 7-8	unch	
Bell Atlantic	55 3-8	off	3-8
BellSouth Corp	54 3-4	off	1-2
Exxon Corp	51 1-4	up	1-2
Ford Motor Co	26 1-2	up	1-8
Genl Electric	57 5-8	off	3-8
General Motors	34 7-8	up	1-8
GTE Corp	29 1-2	off	1-8
IBM Corp	114	up	1-8
Mobil Oil Corp	57 1-8	up	5-8
Nynex Corp	x71 3-4	off	1-8
Pac Gas & Elec	25 1-4	unch	
Pacific Telesis	x45 5-8	off	3-8
Phila Electric	17 7-8	off	1-8
Sears Roebuck	25 1-2	off	1-8
Southern Co	27 1-2	off	1-4
Sthwestern Bell	56 3-8	off	1-4
US West Inc	38 7-8	off	1-2

x-ex-dividend

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#90358u1210 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2621.29	off	12.37
20 Trans	920.91	off	3.00
15 Utils	210.70	off	0.69
65 Stocks	921.73	off	3.77

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#90358u1211 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) UPI - Gifts and family gatherings proved to be a partial distraction from the Persian Gulf crisis and the flagging economy but many Americans still spent Christmas Eve thinking about loved ones in the Middle East.

Shoppers made their traditional last-minute raids on stores to finish off their Christmas shopping before joining their families for presents, caroling, religious services or acts of holiday charity.

The needy huddled in bitter cold Monday morning waiting for the 15th annual holiday food giveway at the Paul Hall Community Center on Chicago's South Side. Volunteers like Torrence Green, 17, prepared packages of cereal, bread, canned soups, canned vegetables and butter.

''That's what Christmas is all about, helping people in need,'' he said.

Leslie Searcy, an Atlanta area resident, said the sick economy seemed to have made shoppers leery about making Christmas purchases.

''I saw a lot of people doing a lot of looking before actually buying, as in comparing prices before buying - like I did,'' Searcy said.

The possibility of war with Iraq also clouded Christmas for the family and friends of the 280,000 American military personnel stationed in the Persian Gulf region. Yellow ribbons - symbolizing the troops abroad - were as prevalent as red and green ones in some households.

In Texas, Uncle Sam, not Santa Claus, was the guiding figure for 300 members of a Texas Army National Guard unit who got a Christmas Eve call telling them to report for Operation Desert Shield duty.

''Whether it's Christmas Eve or the middle of May, we have to deal with it,'' said Capt. Henry Hamner, a spokesman for the 217th Evacuation Hospital guard unit based at San Antonio. ''Everyone is taking it as a matter of fact. That's what we've been trained to do for a good number of years. It shouldn't have been a surprise, considering the world situation.''

It was tougher for the family of Army Spec. Alyssa Mehl, who left behind three sons between the ages of 6 and 2 and her husband, Tom, when she shipped out for Saudi Arabia. The economic downturn of 1990 also compounded the problems

surrounding the Mehls' Christmas.

''Those guys (his stepsons) need somebody here,'' Tom Mehl said. ''I wanted to get them an electric train set but it was too expensive. They're not getting all the things I was going to give them. That does hurt.''

Christmas cheer also was low in Killeen, Texas, as the 67,000 residents struggled against the twin specters of a drooping economy and the Middle East. About 20,000 soldiers from Fort Hood have been shipped to the Middle East and some 3,500 were deactivated earlier.

The result has been the closure of more than 100 businesses since the first of the year, officials say, and sales are off 60 percent. Hundreds of homes have been repossessed and about 50 percent of the apartments are empty.

''We have been knocked on our knees,'' City Manager Dan Hobbs says. ''It's an incredibly bleak picture.''

Pat Gallager, a chef at the Red Lion Inn in Omaha, Neb., carved 12 4-foot-high blocks of ice into a nativity scene and hoped it would promote the Christmas spirit over the Persian Gulf.

Two-thirds of the nation shivered under a cold front, which made things more Christmas-like for Caye Robinson, a nurse in Nashville, Ga.

''It finally feels like Christmas,'' she said. ''Now I can light a fire and not have to turn on the air conditioner. It's cold and it's windy and it's wonderful because it's Christmastime.''

In Detroit, Margie Thompson, 53, and her daughter Margaret, 25, opened their presents Monday and had an even more important exchange scheduled for Wednesday, when doctors will transplant one of Margie's kidneys to Margaret. Margaret has had kidney disease for almost two years as the result of her 19-year battle with diabetes, which also has left her partially blind.

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#90358u1212 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 24) UPI - Grain and soybean futures were mixed in light pre-holiday trading Monday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

The market will be closed Christmas Day and reopen at the normal time Wednesday.

Soybeans were pressured by professional and commission house selling and made contract lows in the nearbys. January beans fell to $5.56 1/2, but rallied near the close and were only one-half cent lower on the day.

Soybean oil futures were virtually unchanged while soymeal was moderately lower and recorded a number of contract lows.

Traders attributed the bearish tone across the soybean complex to light trading overseas and the tension in the Persian Gulf and the Soviet Union.

Wheat closed higher on short-covering and continued worries over the possibility of cold weather damage to the winter wheat crop in the Plains. The sale of nearly 250,000 tons of wheat by exporters also was supportive.

Corn was narrowly mixed, pressured by steady selling and the lack of buying interest throughout the day.

Country movement was light and basis levels were unchanged.

At the close, corn was off 3/4 to up 3/4, soybeans down 1 3/4 to up 1 1/4, wheat up 1 3/4 to 5 and oats up 1/2 to 1 1/4.

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#90358u1217 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks - 4,670,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,284,195,805
Bonds - $1,080,000
1990 to date - $753,318,000

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#90358u1219 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Monday:

Stocks - 57,200,000 shares
1990 to date - 39,261,812,520
Warrants - 351,700
1990 to date - 256,801,000

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#90358u1230 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Monday:

Stock		$Volume	Close	Chg.
AppleC	(AAPL)	21,272,364	44	off 1
Micrsoft	(MSFT)	13,487,640	75 1/4	off 1/2
IntelCp	(INTC)	12,441,229	38 7/8	off 1 1/8
AdobeS	(ADBE)	10,968,428	30 5/8	up 3/4
MCI Com	(MCIC)	10,277,093	19 1/2	off 1/8

Price	(PCLB)	9,836,901	39 1/2	unch	
SciMedL	(SMLS)	9,508,450	31 3/4	up	1/4
Novell	(NOVL)	6,943,288	33	off	5/8
SunMicro	(SUNW)	6,672,838	22 5/8	unch	
TeleComA	(TCOM)	5,761,513	13 1/2	off	3/8

Composite Index 164.52 off 0.53
NMS volume 34,890,400 shares.

Advances	566
Declines	692
Unchanged	1,503
Total	2,761

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#90358u1240 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Monday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Manuf Hanover	2,078,700	23 7/8	off	1/8
So New Eng Tel	1,221,000	33 1/8	off	3/8
Morgan JP & Co	725,500	46 1/8	off	1/8
Niagara Share	654,000	12 1/8	unch	
Coca Cola Co	541,800	47 3/8	off	1 1/8
MCA Inc	519,000	67 1/2	up	1/4
BankAmerica Cp	499,900	27 3/8	off	1/8
Amer Express	478,100	21 1/8	up	1/8
Exxon Corp	467,600	51 1/4	up	1/2
Fedl Natl Mtge	467,400	35	off	1/8
Ford Motor Co	459,400	26 3/8	unch	
AT&T Company	434,500	30 1/4	off	3/8
Citicorp	422,300	13 1/4	off	1/4
Phila Electric	418,800	17 7/8	off	1/8
USF&G Corp	412,700	7 1/2	off	1/8

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#90358u1244 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Monday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Media General A	270,200	18 1/8	up	1/4
National Patent	236,000	2 1/4	off	1/8
OMI Corp	149,300	5 1/8	off	1/8
Cheyenne Softwr	141,000	7 7/8	up	3/8
Western Digital	136,600	4 1/2	unch	

Contl Air Hldgs	114,800	1 3/4	off	1/4
Echo Bay Mines	105,600	8 5/8	up	1/4
Wang Labs Inc B	104,400	2 1/2	off	1/8
Bolar Pharm Co	98,200	2 1/2	up	3/8
Carnival Cruise	95,400	14 3/8	off	3/4

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#90358u1246 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Monday	2621.29	off	12.37	920.91	off	3.00	210.70	off	0.69
Friday	2633.66	up	4.20	923.91	up	8.24	211.39	up	1.51
Week ago	2593.32	off	0.49	895.24	off	7.87	208.56	unchanged	
Month ago	2533.17	up	5.94	835.80	off	8.32	209.88	up	0.88
Year ago	Holiday.								
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90358u1251 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Monday:

Stock	Close	Net	Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6700	off	125
Coastal Cp pfB	121	off	9 1/2
Cap Cities ABC	462 3/4	off	6 1/8
Atl Richfld pfC	291 1/2	off	5 1/2
Wash Post Co	194	off	4
Ohio Edison pfD	45 1/2	off	3
Textron Inc pfB	45 1/2	up	1 3/4
Ore Steel Mills	22 1/4	off	1 3/4
Pioneer Electrn	57 3/4	off	1 3/4
Lennar Corp	17 1/4	up	1 5/8

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#90358u1260 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Monday - $17,640,000

1990 to date - $10,776,280,000

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(DEC. 24) UPI - Iraq has called back the ambassadors it has posted to key world capitals including the United States. They are being ordered back to Iraq for what are called ''normal consultations''. The recall orders cover the Iraqi ambassador to Washington, along with his counterparts in London and Paris.

In Jeruslem, Israeli leaders are saying they don't believe Iraq will launch a pre-emptive strike against Israel's coastal city of Tel Aviv, despite reported threats by Saddam Hussein. Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir today urged Israelis NOT to worry, saying the Israeli military is- quote- ''ready and prepared.'' Defense Minister Moshe Arens also said an Iraq attack is NOT ''very probable.'' But he adds that with a man like Saddam- quote- ''one canNOT know. Anything can happen.''

Saddam reportedly said in an interview that Tel Aviv would be his first target if U-S-led forces launch an attack. Spanish news reports quote Saddam as saying he would order such a strike even if Israel was NOT part of the forces battling Iraq to recapture Kuwait. The Iraqi president has threatened before to strike at Israel, but this appears to be the first time he's mentioned a specific target.

Meanwhile, Turkey reportedly closed its border with Iraq today in preparation for war. Egypt's Middle East News Agency reports Turkey sealed all crossings along its 125-mile border with Iraq because President Turgut Ozal is convinced chances of a peaceful settlement in the Gulf are slim. Turkey asked NATO last week for 50 military aircraft and one-thousand troops to help guard the border region.

Sources in Egypt report security has been increased along the Suez Canal on threats that a ship might try to block the vital waterway if war breaks out. Intelligence reports tell of a ship that might try to dump a load of cement into the canal, effectively blocking reinforcement or supply ships from reaching allied military positions in the Persian Gulf.

Authorities say at least nine people were killed and at least 22 others wounded in India's troubled Kashmir Valley. Police say Moslem militants attacked paramilitary patrols in three locations as part of the ongoing secessionist campaign in the state. The attacks triggered reprisal raids by security forces that left nine people dead, including a 10-month-old baby.

Authorities in Greece have issued an arrest warrant for former Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou after he ignored a court summons to testify in a growing political scandal. It involves embezzlement of over 200-Million dollars from the Bank of Crete. Some of the money reportedly made its way into campaign

funds for Papandreau's Pan-Hellenic Socialist Movement.

New York City police are looking for two teenage boys in the latest incident of people being shot for the jackets they wear. Five people have died in such incidents in New York City and on Long Island since the start of the month. Five others have been injured, including a 13- year-old girl shot last night. The girl was wounded after a ski-masked gunman and an accomplice demanded the jackets she and two friends were wearing.

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#90358u1279 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.55	off 0.15
10 Public Utils	93.49	off 0.17
10 Industrials	89.61	off 0.14

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 125.93 up 0.13.

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#90358u1281 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2629.46	2638.12	2609.65	2621.29	off 12. 37
20 Trans	923.35	928.41	913.79	920.91	off 3.00
15 Utils	210.39	211.39	209.19	210.70	off 0.69
65 Stock	923.74	927.55	916.41	921.73	off 3.77

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Monday	Friday
Indus	5,169,300	37,304,000
Trans	1,118,700	4,709,900
Utils	1,511,600	5,914,000
65 Stock	7,799,600	47,927,900

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.55	off 0.15
10 Public Utils	93.49	off 0.17
10 Industrials	89.61	off 0.14

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 125.93 up 0.13.

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#90358u1291 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 24) UPI - The State Department denounced Monday charges levied by the head of the KGB that western assistance and investment in the economically troubled Soviet Union amount to foreign interference.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher called last week's allegations by Vladimir Kryuchkov ''completely unfounded and inaccurate.

Kryuchkov said western economic advances were really foreign intelligence efforts to ''exert overt and covert pressure'' on the Soviet Union.

U.S. officials said the statement was reminiscent of Cold War sentiment and apparently reflected the deep divisions within the Soviet government.

''We're concerned that such a senior official would use such outdated and inflammatory rhetoric, which can only be described as inconsistent with the recent improvement in the substance and the atmosphere of U.S.- Soviet relations,'' said Boucher.

Soviet political turmoil led to last week's announcement by Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze that he would resign. He warned of the growing threat of dictatorship in the Soviet Union.

What was not clear was whether Kryuchkov was merely representing one of the factions within the split, or whether he was prompted by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to make the statement to illustrate to the West the dangers faced by his program of economic and political reform.

Generally, the KGB aligns itself with the military in the internal Soviet dispute, although Kryuchkov was chosen for his job by Gorbachev because he was willing to go along with political reforms.

One of Kryuchkov's deputies, Major General E.N. Yakovlev, admitted in an interview last week, published in the newspaper Pravda, that the KGB coninutes to gather information ''by covert means,'' about western political and economic plans.

Foreshadowing the KGB blast against the western intelligence agencies, Yakovlev said, ''Not all the forces in the world want the Soviet Union to become an economically strong and united state. Complex processes are taking place in the third world, and some of them could pose a direct threat to our state.''

He said the economic aid coming from the west ''is not a matter of indifference to us'' and therefore, ''There is going to be plenty of work for the intelligence service.''

The KGB statements suggest that there is great skepticism about prospects for

western aid and that not all of Gorbachev's deputies favor the prospect of the close relations with the the United States that were symbolized by the working partnership between Shevardnadze and U.S. Secretary of State James Baker.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	372.41	off	1.19	365.72	H
Industrial	403.59	off	1.69	395.84	O
Finance	359.96	up	0.04	356.23	L
Insurance	450.79	up	1.60	449.41	I
Utility	482.84	off	2.66	467.10	D
Bank	254.26	off	0.54	252.82	A
Transport	413.97	off	2.23	407.61	Y

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 164.52 off 0.53

Industrial Index 161.32 off 0.68

NASDAQ-100 Index 402.44 off 3.07

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#90358u1300 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	387.93	236.82	145.70	23.95	331.75
Opening	385.48	235.93	144.41	23.74	329.51
11 a.m.	385.63	235.52	144.43	23.73	329.60
Noon	385.85	235.30	144.67	23.67	329.84
1 p.m.	386.08	236.03	144.63	23.78	330.01
Close	385.94	235.87	144.57	23.78	329.90
Change	off 1.99	off 0.95	off 1.13	off 0.17	off 1. 85

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NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals

100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	373.60	371.22	372.41	off 1.19
Industrial	404.73	402.74	403.59	off 1.69
Finance	360.19	359.10	359.96	up 0.04
Insurance	451.35	447.52	450.79	up 1.60
Utility	484.67	480.78	482.84	off 2.26
Bank	255.19	253.87	254.26	off 0.54
Transport	416.89	413.42	413.97	off 2.23

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	164.52 off 0.53
Industrial Index	161.32 off 0.68
NASDAQ-100 Index	402.44 off 3.07
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.36 up 0.03
Volume	34,890,400 shares
Advances	566
Declines	692
Unchanged	1,503
Total	2,761

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(DEC. 24) UPI - Index Futures

By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Monday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	242.50	242.70	240.30	240.90	243.60
Jun	....	....	....	242.80	245.50
Sep	....	....	....	245.20	247.90

Estimated volume: 364 contracts.

Open interest: 1,127 off 407

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	333.60	333.75	330.90	331.20	334.75
Jun	335.50	336.25	334.00	334.10	337.70
Sep	....	337.00	336.45	336.60	339.90

Estimated volume: 14,256 contracts.
Open interest: 169,650 up 1,267

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	181.20	181.80	179.40	180.35	182.40
Jun	182.60	182.60	182.00	181.70	183.75
Sep	....	....	....	183.05	185.10

Open interest: 3,884 off 1,245
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Jan	551.75	551.75	548.75	549.10	553.00
Feb	551.00	551.00	549.00	549.00	552.85

Estimated volume: 10,364 contracts.
Open interest: 13,671 up 1,856

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NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Stocks closed lower Monday in a shortened Christmas Eve session that saw the lightest trading of the year, with the market pressured by concerns about the Mideast crisis.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 4.20 Friday, fell 12.37 to close at 2621.29.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 0.86 to 180.01 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index dipped 1.85 to 329.90. The price of an average share lost 15 cents.

Declines led advances 857-519 among the 1,921 issues crossing the NYSE tape. Volume amounted to 57,200,000 shares, a dramatic plunge from the 233,457,430 traded Friday, when ''triple-witching hour'' expirations of stock-index futures, options and options on individual stocks inflated volume.

The market closed at 2 p.m. EST Monday, and volume did not even match the paltry 63.4 million shares that changed hands on the day after Thanksgiving, which had been the thinnest trading thus far this year. Trading was the lightest since the day after Christmas of 1986, when 48. 86 million shares changed hands.

Activity was very light from the opening, began to fade even more by midday, and slowed to a trickle late in the day as traders started to wind up activity before Christmas, when the market will be closed.

Prices opened lower and drifted with modest losses all session. Analysts said some saber-rattling in comments about the Mideast crisis pressured stocks.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, seeking to dispel appearances of disunity in the Bush administration, echoed the president by asserting America was capable of striking ''today'' to drive Iraq from Kuwait.

During a news conference Sunday at Saudi King Fahd's Persian Gulf palace before flying to Cairo, Cheney also said prospects for a peaceful solution to the gulf crisis were growing dimmer as the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline for use of force draws near.

''We had some tough talk out of Cheney about the ramifications of the uncertainty in the Mideast,'' said Ron Doran, director of institutional trading at C.L. King & Associates in Albany, N.Y. ''I think ... people may want to cut down their positions a little bit.''

But all in all, he said, peace and quiet ruled the day. ''It was tough in here today, you didn't find a lot of customers around. We expected it to be quiet but this was even quieter than we expected,'' Doran said.

On the trading floor, Manufacturers Hanover was the most active issue, off 1/8 to 23 7/8 in dividend-related trading.

Southern New England Telecommunications followed, down 3/8 at 33 1/8, also in trading tied to the stock's dividend. J.P. Morgan was third, down 1/8 to 46 1/8.

Among the blue chips, AT&T lost 3/8 to 30 1/4, Coca-Cola fell 1 1/8 to 47 3/8, American Express was up 1/8 to 21 1/8 and Exxon was up 1/2 to 51 1/4.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 72,298,660 shares, compared with 271,827,680 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in very light trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index lost 1.61 to 304.59. Declines led advances 280-210 among the 756 issues traded. The price of an average share was down 5 cents. Composite volume totaled 6,191,360 shares vs. 17,342,800 traded Friday.

Media General led the Amex issues, up 1/4 to 18 1/8.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index lost 1.19 to 372.41.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Monday	Friday	Week ago
New highs	4	24	8
New lows	51	63	68

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	518	13,756,700
Declines	858	32,762,800
Unchanged	544	10,680,500
Total	1,920	57,200,000

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(DEC. 24) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Didl

New highs	8
New lows	25

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	209	1,553,200
Declines	281	1,732,300
Unchanged	264	1,384,500
Total	754	4,670,000

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NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	180.18	179.81	180.01	off 0.86
Industrial	222.45	222.12	222.41	off 0.98
Transport	142.00	141.47	141.89	off 0.55
Utility	91.60	91.47	91.56	off 0.52
Finance	122.92	122.75	122.90	off 0.73

Equivalent to a loss of 15 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 57,200,000 shares.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Monday	Friday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	6.96	7.06	N/A
91-day Treasury bills	6.73	6.79	N/A
182-day Treasury bills	6.96	6.92	N/A
1-year Treasury bills	7.00	6.94	N/A
3-year Treasury notes	7.51	7.45	N/a
7-year Treasury notes	8.11	8.02	N/A
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.36	8.28	N/A
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.67	8.67	N/A
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.60	9.60	N/A
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.71	8.97	N/A
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	9.01	8.69	N/A
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	8.86	9.14	N/A
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	8.86	9.13	N/A

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Mon	Fri	Mon	Fri
Argntn austral	.000205	.000206	4880.00	4851.00
Australia dlr	.7745	.7730	1.2912	1.2937
Austria schill	.0935	.0935	10.70	10.70
Belgium franc-c	.0314	.0317	31.85	31.54
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0064	.0065	156.85	154.23
Britain pound	1.8670	1.8850	.5356	.5305
Britain 1-mo	1.8577	1.9218	.5383	.5203
Britain 3-mo	1.8403	1.9043	.5434	.5251
Britain 6-mo	1.8180	1.8819	.5501	.5314
Canada dollar	.8623	.8621	1.1597	1.1600
Canada 1-mo	.8602	.8602	1.1625	1.1625
Canada 3-mo	.8551	.8561	1.1695	1.1681
Canada 6-mo	.8474	.8460	1.1801	1.1821

Chile peso-f	.003072	.003072	325.48	325.48
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001926	.001926	519.19	519.19
Denmark krne	.1703	.1703	5.8725	5.8725
Ecudr sucre-z	.001146	.001141	872.63	876.53
Egypt pound	.3527	.3564	2.8353	2.8062
Finlnd mrkka	.2717	.2717	3.6800	3.6800
France franc	.1906	.1924	5.2460	5.1985
France 1-mo	.1904	.1975	5.2530	5.0623
France 3-mo	.1900	.1967	5.2630	5.0847
France 6-mo	.1882	.1953	5.3140	5.1213
Greece drach	.006328	.006393	158.03	156.42
Hollnd guildr	.5780	.5795	1.7300	1.7255
HongKong dlr	.1281	.1281	7.8045	7.8035
India rupee	.0553	.0553	18.07	18.07
Indo'sa rupia	.000532	.000532	1880.00	1878.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7280	1.7395	0.5787	0.5749
Israel shekel	.4985	.5010	2.0060	1.9960
Italy lira	.000861	.000867	1162.00	1153.00
Japan yen	.007358	.007388	135.90	135.35
Japan 1-mo	.007396	.007389	135.20	135.34
Japan 3-mo	.007485	.007388	133.60	135.35
Japan 6-mo	.007570	.007388	132.10	135.35
Jordan dinar	1.5368	1.5437	.6507	.6478
Kuwait dinar	3.4247	3.4247	0.2920	0.2920
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000341	.000342	2930.00	2927.00
N.Zealand dlr	.5855	.5860	1.7079	1.7065
Norway krne	.1664	.1672	6.0100	5.9800
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	492,500	492,500
P'pnes peso-z	.0365	.0365	27.41	27.41
Portugl escud	.007365	.007481	135.77	133.68
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5737	.5747	1.7430	1.7400
S.Africa rand	.3886	.3926	2.5735	2.5471
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010199	.010246	98.05	97.60
Sweden krona	.1748	.1749	5.7220	5.7175
Switzrl franc	.7634	.7625	1.3100	1.3115
Switzrl 1-mo	.7628	.7567	1.3110	1.3215
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7620	.7410	1.3124	1.3495
Switzrl 6-mo	.7593	.7239	1.3170	1.3815
Taiwan dollar	.0376	.0375	26.62	26.64
Turkey lira	.000347	.000350	2885.00	2858.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6632	3.6632

Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0201	.0201	49.84	49.64
Germany mark	.6481	.6536	1.5430	1.5300
Germany 1-mo	.6474	.6515	1.5446	1.5350
Germany 3-mo	.6455	.6378	1.5493	1.5680
Germany 6-mo	.6425	.6668	1.5564	1.4997
Yugosl dinar	.0962	.0963	10.39	10.38

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - The next-to-last weekend of the NFL season showed all is not lost for the Houston Oilers and Dallas Cowboys, who must play their regular-season finales without their starting quarterbacks.

Seven teams started backups because of injuries to starters, and four of those clubs won, including playoff-bound Buffalo, Chicago and the New York Giants.

Four teams lost quarterbacks during the games, and all four lost. Houston, with Warren Moon, and Dallas, with Troy Aikman, were in that group.

So now the Oilers will send Cody Carlson against Pittsburgh with the AFC Central title on the line, and the Cowboys count on Babe Laufenberg to win a playoff-clinching victory in Atlanta.

''Next week is one we're going to have to win if we're going to have a shot at the playoffs,'' Carlson said. ''I'm going to go out there and do everything I can to beat Pittsburgh.''

Moon dislocated the thumb on his throwing hand in the final minutes of a 40-20 loss to Cincinnati. Aikman suffered a separated shoulder during the second series of a 17-3 loss to Philadelphia.

Carlson completed 1 of 6 passes while Laufenberg was 13 of 36 with four interceptions, including one at the Philadelphia 3 with the Eagles leading 10-3 in the second quarter. Eric Allen returned another interception 35 yards for a fourth-quarter score.

''I wasn't real precise,'' said Laufenberg, who threw 12 straight incompletions in one stretch.

The backups for the Bills, Bears and Giants earned high marks Sunday. Frank Reich passed for 234 yards and two touchdowns in place of Jim Kelly to lift

Buffalo to a 24-14 AFC East-clinching victory over Dan Marino and the Miami Dolphins. The victory improved Reich's career record as a starter to 4-0.

''Frank is a very intelligent person,'' Bills tackle will Wolford said. ''He studied long and hard this week to be able to go out there and do what he did. It's a real show of how good he really is.''

Mike Tomczak filled in for Jim Harbaugh for the Bears, and threw for 239 yards and two TDs in a 27-14 victory over Tampa Bay. Tomczak, who started 11 games in 1989, made his first start of the season against the Buccaneers.

Tomczak was rusty, throwing an interception on his second attempt and failing to complete any of his first five passes. After settling down, he finished 16-for-33.

Bears Coach Mike Ditka, a frequent critic of Tomczak in the past, had no complaints.

''I think Mike did a heck of a job,'' Ditka said. ''I like him. I'm going to have him over for Christmas dinner.''

The Giants edged Phoenix 24-21 with Jeff Hostetler playing in place of Phil Simms. Hostetler threw for just 190 yards and a TD, but ran for a score and threw no interceptions.

''I thought Hoss did a pretty good job,'' Giants Coach Bill Parcells said. ''He played error free. I can't think of a decision he made that was incorrect.''

The Atlanta Falcons defeated the Los Angeles Rams 20-13 with No. 3 quarterback Hugh Millen starting because of injuries to Chris Miller and Scott Campbell. San Francisco, Cleveland and Green Bay lost over the weekend with backups starting.

Besides Moon and Aikman, New England's Tommy Hodson and Minnesota's Wade Wilson were sidelined in losses.

The Browns, whose fell to 3-12 with a 35-0 loss to Pittsburgh, announced Monday all their assistant coaches would be released after the season. Interim head coach Jim Shofner had already announced he would move into the front office and a new coach will be brought in.

''No question,'' Shofner said, ''it's not a good situation.''

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WEST YELLOWSTONE, MO (DEC. 24) UPI - A minor earthquake struck in a remote

area about six miles northwest of West Yellowstone but caused no damage or injuries, seismologists said Monday.

The temblor, measuring 3.8 on the open-ended Richter scale, hit at 7:54 p.m. Sunday.

It was followed by a series of aftershocks ranging from 2.5 to 3.3, Sue Nava of the University of Utah's Seismograph Stations said.

Some of the quakes were felt by residents in the sparsely populated area, near the Wyoming-Idaho state lines, Nava said.

The quake occurred along the eastern end of the rupture zone of a 7.5 temblor that hit on Aug. 17, 1959 in the Hebgen Lake, Mont., area, Nava said.

Several people were killed in that earthquake, and it resulted in the creation of a body of water now called ''Earthquake Lake.''

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CHICAGO (DEC. 24) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Monday - 370,500

1990 to date - 2,807,968,000

The market closed lower.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	9.01	9.66
Anchor Fund Inv	14.39	15.27
Delaware Mutual	16.34	17.52
Fidelity Fund	16.25	16.25
Investor Mutual	10.68	11.25
Investor Stocks	17.16	18.06
Investor Select	8.45	8.89
IDS Equity Plus	8.57	9.02
MFS Growth Stk	9.02	9.73
Nicholas Income	3.09	3.09
Utd Accumulated	6.02	6.58
United Income	16.58	18.12
Vang Wellington	16.22	16.22

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(DEC. 25) - SPORTS DIGEST

BASEBALL

Tim Raines received a new team and a $10.2 million contract for Christmas, joining the Chicago White Sox in a multi-player deal with the Montreal Expos. In a deal completed Sunday night, the White Sox sent left fielder Ivan Calderon and reliever Barry Jones to Montreal for Raines, minor league pitcher Jeff Carter and a player to be named. Raines, also a left fielder, signed a 3-year deal with Chicago.

BASKETBALL

The Dallas Mavericks waived guard Kelvin Upshaw, who scored 8 points in eight minutes while playing four games since he was activated No. 12 to replace injured Roy Tarpley. ... Milt Newton scored 28 points and Barry Mitchell added 19 to lead the World Basketball League All-Stars to a 124-109 victory over the host Belgian team, Saun Air. The WBL stars have won three straight on their Europe tour, and will begin defense of their Haarlem Basetball Week Tournament title at Haarlem, Holland Wedensday.

HOCKEY

Detroit's Steve Yzerman was named the NHL Player of the Wek after scoring five goals and three assists to lead the Red Wings to a 3-1 mark last week. Yzerman scored his 11th career hat trick in a 3-1 victory over Winnipeg. Three Penguins, Mark Recchi, Paul Coffey and John Cullen were also nominated. ... Cape Breton center Shaun Van Allen was named the American Hockey League Player of the Week after socoring five goals and four assists in three games.

OLYMPICS

The Soviet Ukrainian republic has set up its own national Olympic Committee, but it was unclear if it would push to field a team independent of the Soviet Union. The Baltic republics of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia have also set up independent Olympic committees since they declared independence from the Soviet Union earlier this year, and they are pushing for recognition of separate teams at the next Olympic Games.

TENNIS

More than 3,500 Austrian fans are expected to travel to Prague to see their Davis Cup team meet Czechoslovakia Feb. 1-3 in a first-round match. The clay court specialist Austrians lost to the United States in the 1990 semifinals.

TRACK AND FIELD

Following the Austrian city of Linz, which holds a major track and field meet

each August, Vienna plans to hold a big name indoor meet in Feburary. The organizers say American sprinter Leroy Burrell, pole vault world record holder Sergei Bubka of the Soviet Union and German sprinter Katrin Krabbe will compete at the Vienna meeting.

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#90358u1393 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) UPI - Iraq has recalled its ambassadors to Washington, London, Paris and the United Nations for what are called ''normal consultations.'' The move comes ahead of the U-N's January 15th deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait. Officials of the Iraqi Embassy in Washington expect the ambassador will return by Friday.

Israeli officials may NOT think much of the latest blustery statements by Iraq's Saddam Hussein but they are taking NO chances. Saddam has threatened to attack Tel Aviv first if he is attacked, even if Israel is NOT involved. Israel says its military is ''ready and prepared.''

President Bush and his top military advisers huddled for three hours today at Camp David to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. Defense Secretary Cheney and Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman General Colin Powell detailed the findings of their just-completed trip to the gulf region. Neither the White House nor the Pentagon would discuss what was said.

In Yugoslavia, returns from runoffs of the first post-war multi-party elections show the ruling Communists retained control of Serbia's assembly. And the Communist Party chief in neighboring Montenegro won election as president. Also today, final results from yesterday's plebiscite on independence in the Slovenian Republic show 88 percent want to seceed from Yugoslavia.

This may NOT become a white Christmas for many areas of the nation but it will be a cold one. Cold, dry weather has settled down in many states for what could become a long winter's night and the chilly temperatues now reach deep into the south. Atlanta woke to temperatures of below freezing.

A federal appeals court today refused to intervene in a Missouri right-to-die case involving a 33-year-old comatose woman who's feeding tube was removed. The three-judge panel dismissed a motion for a temporary injunction filed by religious activists on behalf of Nancy Cruzan, who's being allowed to die after being kept alive in a vegetative state for nearly eight years.

The Grinch of Recession may be lurking somewhere around the corner but he apparently is NOT standing near where Christmas trees are sold. The National Christmas Tree Association expects sales will be up five percent this year to 36-Million trees.

South African black leader Nelson Mandela is preparing to celebrate his first Christmas in almost 30 years as a free man. The African National Congress deputy president today called on South Africa's black majority to vow NEVER to spend ''another Christmas in chains.'' The 72- year-old Mandela was released from prison February 11th after more than 27 years.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 24) UPI - The Bush administration said Monday it is reviewing the possibility of resuming military supplies to the Salvadoran army following intelligence reports that guerrilla forces are planning a new offensive.

Fifty percent of the $42.5 million in planned military aid for the Salvadoran army was withheld last October by a congressional order as incentive for the government and the Farabundo Marti Liberation Movement to end their long war.

The order stated that U.S. military aid could only be delivered if the rebels refused to participate in the peace process, killed civilians or government officials or received weapons from outside sources.

If intelligence reports about a forthcoming FMLN offensive are correct, it would automatically allow for a resumption of military deliveries.

''We have reliable information that the FMLN plans new intensive military attacks to begin the new year,'' said State Department spokesman Richard Boucher, who said the movement declared a nine-day truce for Christmas.

''We are reviewing the resumption of military aid,'' he said.

The self-declared truce by the FMLN ended a spate of violence which, according to the United States, caused 16 civilian deaths and 108 civilian casualties. Also, the violence damaged farms, public transportation and banks.

''As the government has made more concessions at the bargaining table, the FMLN has stepped up violence and militarism,'' said Boucher. ''The guerrillas have chosen to bring death and destruction to their country and its people. While professing to observe a truce, they are preparing for more war.''

Boucher also said U.S. officials want to interview two Salvadoran government prosecutors who plan to resign from the investigation of last year's murder of eight people, including six Jesuit priests.

Boucher said the prosecutors are resigning for personal and professional reasons, but the United States continues to press the Salvadoran government for progress on the case.

No formal charges have been brought in the case, but suspicion has fallen on Salvadoran military officers who, according to reports, used a FMLN urban offensive as a cover for the murder of the six priests.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Pan Am Corp. received a $20-million cash infusion Monday from United Airlines, but the cash-strapped airline declined to comment on a report that a $150-million deal for the Pan Am Shuttle could be in the offing.

United agreed to make the advance payment as part of a larger $400- million sale agreement for Pan Am's coveted U.S.-London routes and other assets.

A Pan Am spokesman said the money would help the carrier meet current obligations.

''It eases our crunch, obviously, but we have further obligations that we have to be thinking about,'' said Pan Am spokesman Jeffrey Kriendler.

Also Monday, The Wall Street Journal reported Northwest Airlines had arranged financing with PacifiCorp. of Portland, Ore. to buy the Pan Am shuttle linking New York, Boston and Washington.

Northwest, a unit of NWA Inc., would operate the shuttle, with an option to buy it from PacifiCorp., the newspaper said.

The sale, if concluded, would further ease the cash shortage at Pan Am, which has opened talks about a possible merger with Trans World Airlines Inc.

Northwest spokesman Doug Miller in Minneapolis declined comment on the report, as did Pan Am's Kriendler.

The severity of Pan Am's cash woes was underscored Monday, when the airline announced that A.I. Leasing II had terminated the airline's operating leases on 21 Airbus A300 and A310 aircraft.

The company, an affiliate of Airbus Industries, terminated the leases after Pan Am failed to make a $16 million payment, as promised, following the sale of its Internal German Service to Lufthansa in late October, Kriendler said.

Pan Am later obtained a waiver for the payment, after rising fuel costs and softening traffic further squeezed its finances. Kriendler said Pan Am made a partial payment to A.I. Leasing, but he declined to elaborate.

A.I. Leasing will allow Pan Am continued use of the planes until Jan. 20 under an interim lease agreement, while a new lease agreement is negotiated, the

airline said. Pan Am uses the planes on domestic, Caribbean and trans-Atlantic flights, Kriendler said.

Separately, Pan Am said the $20 million received from United was for certain airport leaseholds in San Francisco. Local approval of the transfer is not expected until next month, Pan Am said.

Kriendler said Pan Am expected to receive another $10 million from United later this week for spare parts. Both transactions are part of a larger deal in which Pan Am agreed to sell its five U.S.-London routes to United.

Meanwhile, representatives of Pan Am and TWA continued to explore the feasibility of a merger. An advisor to TWA owner Carl Icahn said no talks were held Monday, but he declined to comment further on the prospects of a deal.

''The situation is so fluid at this point, I really can't comment,'' said Mark Buckstein, general counsel at TWA.

Pan Am Chairman Thomas Plaskett opened the way for a possible merger Friday in a letter responding to an offer from Icahn. Plaskett said ''the time is right'' for the two airlines to explore a possible combination.

But, he added, ''Pan Am requires bridge financing to cover its financial needs during the several-month period - coinciding with our low traffic season - that we expect it will take to obtain necessary regulatory and shareholder approval.''

Icahn, who offered to buy Pan Am for $1.50 a share cash plus $1 in preferred stock or promissory notes, has said he would be willing loan Pan Am money only as part of bankrutpcy court proceeding that would give TWA a priority lien on unsecured Pan Am assets. Pan Am has 150 million shares outstanding.

Icahn is said to be willing to loan Pan Am between $75 million and $100 million, the Journal reported Monday. Buckstein declined to comment on the size of the loan under consideration.

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(DEC. 24) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Increased				
CVB Financial Corp	Q	.07	1-18	1-4
Initial				
Emerging Germany Fund	..	.20	1-18	12-31

Usual				
Atlanfed Bancorp Inc	Q	.10	1-15	12-31
Dover Regional FS	..	.07	1-23	12-31
Horizon Bank	..	.07 1/2	1-25	1-8

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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MIAMI (DEC. 24) UPI - Dade County tourism officials say convention bookings are on the rise, despite a five-month-old boycott organized by members of Miami's black community angry over the local reception given Nelson Mandela.

The Greater Miami Convention & Visitors Bureau said Monday that bookings during October and November - the first two months of the fiscal year - rose by a record amount.

The bureau said 45 conventions equal to 142,987 room nights were confirmed during those two months. Bureau officials said the bookings will have a direct economic impact of more than $54.1 million.

By comparison, 32 conventions equal to 90,652 room nights were booked during the same period last year, officials said.

Leaders of Miami's black community have urged convention organizers to boycott Dade because local officials failed to welcome Mandela during a June visit to Miami.

Mandela, a leader of the African National Congress who spent 27 years in a South African prison, came to the United States shortly after his release.

Although the bureau announcement Monday failed to make note of the controversy the boycott has cost the county an estimated $12 million in lost business.

''I am delighted with the way the year is beginning,'' bureau president Merrett Stierheim said in a statement.

The sales staff is doing ''an outstanding job at a time when we are facing a recession and economic uncertainties due to the conflict in the Persian Gulf. Greater Miami continues to show that even during a year of economic adversities we can compete with other major cities for convention business,'' he added.

Officials have sought but failed to mollify boycott organizers, who now want the mayors of Dade, Miami and Miami Beach to issue keys to their jurisdictions and proclamations welcoming the anti-apartheid leader.

Bureau officials also said Monday that tourism business in general is up. The occupancy rate at area hotels for the first two months of fiscal 1990-1991 is running about 4 percent above last year, officials said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 24) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has summoned some of his key ambassadors for ''normal consultations,'' the State Department said Monday.

The State Department confirmed that Mohamed al-Mashat flew to Baghdad last Friday and is expected to remain in Iraq for a week. Officials said the Iraqi ambassador to the United States is not carrying a special message to Saddam.

The Iraqi embassy said that ambassadors from the United Nations, London and Paris also returned to Iraq.

''They were summoned by the Foreign Ministry for normal consultations,'' an Iraqi diplomat said.

''I expect Ambassador Mashat to return at the end of the week,'' the diplomat said. Asked if he expected war, he said: ''We are hopeful of finding a peaceful solution.''

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EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (DEC. 24) UPI - He entered the tent wearing a white beard and red suit. He carried a sackful of presents and bellowed ho ho ho, but even in New York, you don't expect to see Santa Claus toting an M-16 rifle.

When he comes to Saudi Arabia, Santa doesn't leave home without it.

Inside tents like this one scattered across the Saudi desert, U.S. Army infantrymen, Air Force fighter pilots, Marine special forces and Coast Guard reservists celebrated Christmas Monday night, praying for peace, preparing for war and wishing they were home.

''It's the time of year I'm always with my family. I never dreamed how much I would miss them,'' said Coast Guard Petty Officer 3rd Class Lynn Oberkrieser, 28, of Buffalo, N.Y..

With nearly 100 fellow reservists from western New York, Oberkreiser tried to make the best of a situation she never dreamed could happen, helping to decorate the tree, barbecuing steaks and observing the holiday she loves best.

It isn't an easy task in Saudi Arabia, where the law prohibits public recognition of any religion but Islam. When members of an Army unit celebrated the Jewish festival of Hannukah two weeks ago, armed guards were posted outside the tent.

Things have been a little looser with Christmas and the Saudi government has not objected to such manifestations of the holiday as Christmas trees, multi-colored lights and snowy postcards as long as the cross is not shown. The U.S. armed forces have been issued guidelines by their central command on how to celebrate the holiday without offending their hosts. Rule No. 1 is be discreet.

''It takes coming here to understand the meaning of religious freedom that we take for granted at home,'' said Oberkreiser, who thought her reserve call-up would last only three months from Sept. 23 and she'd be home for Christmas. But she found out on Thanksgiving that the hitch was extended through February and fears it could be longer.

''I'll do what I have to do but I'm not thrilled to be here,'' she said.

Oberkreiser, called up on reserve duty in Operation Desert Shield for at least six months, works as a gunner on a small craft patroling a port on the Persian Gulf. At home, she's a police officer walking the streets of Buffalo so she's comfortable with weapons.

But even this lady cop turned soldier said it was the first time she had ever seen Santa Claus armed like Rambo, even if it really was only her comrade, Machinery Technician Bob Miller, of Rochester, N.Y.

Asked whether Santa had brought anything for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, the plump white-haired reindeer rider cocked his M-16 and issued a merry laugh.

''I've got one round reserved just for him,'' he said. ''Got his name on it.''

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NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Monday was 459.65, off 0.43 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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DALLAS (DEC. 24) UPI - Cliff Stoudt, a 12-year veteran who has spent most of his career on the bench, came to terms with the Dallas Cowboys Monday and will

serve as the team's backup quarterback for the rest of the season.

The Cowboys had been left with just one healthy quarterback after Troy Aikman suffered a separated shoulder Sunday in a loss to the Philadelphia Eagles.

Babe Laufenberg finished the Philadelphia game and will start Sunday against the Atlanta Falcons. A Dallas win or a New Orleans loss to the Los Angeles Rams next weekend will put the Cowboys in the playoffs for the first time in five years.

''All of our focus has to be on beating the Falcons,'' Dallas Coach Jimmy Johnson said Monday. ''We can't expect any help. If we want to get the job done, we will have to do it ourselves.''

New Orleans stayed alive in the playoff chase Sunday night by nipping San Francisco in a game that 49ers' quarterback Joe Montana sat out. Johnson said he had no problems with Montana's failure to play.

''San Francisco is doing everything it has to do to win its third straight Super Bowl,'' Johnson said. ''There is nothing wrong with that. ''

Stoudt spent seven years with the Pittsburgh Steelers beginning in 1977, but until his final year with the club he was used only sparingly. He started all 16 games of the 1983 season, however, guiding the Steelers to a division title.

He then moved on to the United States Football League, playing in Birmingham. After that league folded, Stoudt played three seasons with the St. Louis and then Phoenix Cardinals before spending 1989 with the guess who?

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BOSTON (DEC. 24) UPI - The Boston Celtics put some coal in Dave Popson's stocking Monday, announcing on Christmas Eve they were waiving the little-used forward for the second time.

Popson, a 6-foot-10 fourth-year pro, was first signed by Boston as a free agent before the 1989-90 season, but was waived less than two months later.

He was re-signed by Boston Aug. 17, playing in 11 games with Boston this season and scoring 25 points in 36 minutes. His best game came against Washington Nov. 30 when he scored 10 points in four minutes, hitting all four shots and both free throws.

Popson, a graduate of North Carolina who was drafted fourth by the Detroit Pistons in 1987, spent his first season playing in France. He saw action the following year with the Los Angeles Clippers and Miami Heat before being signed by Boston.

After being cut by the Celtics the the first time, Popson played briefly with the Albany Patroons of the Continental Basketball Association and finished the season in Europe.

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#90358u1525 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

DOVER, DE (DEC. 24) UPI - Twenty sailors from the USS Saratoga who were killed in a ferry boat accident off the coast of Israel were honored as ''peacemakers'' and ''the sons of God'' Monday as their bodies arrived at Dover Air Force Base.

The flag-draped coffins, carried from the C-141 transport plane one by one, were greeted by an honor guard, government officials, tearful family members and friends.

''They have honored their families. They have witnessed their fidelity to our nation,'' said Rear Adm. David White, deputy chief chaplain of the Navy. ''They have presented themselves before your grace in the pursuit of peace. Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the sons of God.''

Twenty-one sailors drowned early Saturday within sight of the aircraft carrier in the Mediterranean Sea when their ferry capsized off the coast of Haifa, Israel. Twenty bodies were recovered. Another American serviceman is missing and presumed dead. The search for that sailor has been called off.

The U.S. Navy Honor Guard and distinguished officials braved a chill wind under partly cloudy skies in 30-degree temperatures to receive the remains.

As solemn music was played, the coffins were removed. Removing the bodies took more than an hour.

Arrival of the transport plane was delayed by five hours because of high winds said Lt. Teresa Shacllock, a spokeswoman.

Dover AFB is the location of the tri-service mortuary and receives the remains of most decreased service members from the European Theater, which includes the Middle East.

The remains will be prepared at the mortuary before they are claimed by next-of-kin for burial.

About 100 sailors were on the ferry returning from Christmas shore leave when the accident occurred. The ship is on support of Operation Desert Shield.

American and Israeli officials are investigating the incident.

The two-tiered ferry Altuvia, under contract to the U.S. military to shuttle servicemen to the Israeli port city of Haifa from the USS Saratoga, sank in less than 20 seconds in about 60 feet of water as it waited to unload the servicemen onto the USS Saratoga.

The carrier, with more than 4,500 servicemen aboard, arrived outside the Haifa port Friday morning for a recreational stop away from its duties in the Red Sea as part of Operation Desert Shield. It is scheduled to return to the Red Sea Thursday.

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#90358u1541 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Arizona, despite two victories by Syracuse, jumped past the Orangemen Monday to the No. 3 spot in United Press International's college basketball ratings.

No. 1 Nevada-Las Vegas was a unanimous choice for the second straight week, earning all 27 first-place votes cast by the 42-member UPI Board of Coaches to finish with 405 points. Arkansas remained No. 2 with 348 points.

A lackluster 78-73 victory over Towson State apparently was enough to knock Syracuse from No. 3 position, as Arizona finished with 342 points and the Orangemen 338.

Syracuse's drop also comes following a week in which a newspaper report alleges current and former Orangemen players received cash, free merchandise and cut-rate rental cars from boosters.

''This isn't exactly the Christmas present we sought,'' Robert Hill, the school's vice president of community relations, said Thursday after the story appeared in the Syracuse Post-Standard.

Arizona beat Providence 99-87 Sunday in its only game of the week. The Wildcats saw a 13-point lead at home dwindle to three with 1:18 left, but made 9 of 10 free throws down the stretch to hold on.

''We know the kind of team we are - we're one of the best in the country and we were playing at home,'' Arizona forward Chris Mills said. ''We don't lose at McKale (Center) and we were't about to forget it.''

Arizona Coach Lute Olson said the finish ''was exactly the kind of game we needed at this point. We practice and practice what to do in late-game situations, but it's only when you're actually in one that you see how you react.''

Ironically, Syracuse faces Arizona Christmas Day - in football's Aloha Bowl in Honolulu.

No. 5 Indiana, No. 6 Ohio State, No. 7 North Carolina and No. 8 Duke all moved up one position in the wake of UCLA's 88-71 loss to Iowa, a game in which severe weather conditions diverted the Bruins' flight to Minneapolis and the team had to travel by bus to Iowa City.

''We just couldn't get over the hump,'' said UCLA Coach Jim Harrick, whose team dropped four places to ninth.

St. John's moved up four positions and into the Top 10 after running its record to 9-0 with a 74-62 victory over Fordham in its only game of the week. Fellow Big East member Pittsburgh improved five positions to 11th.

No. 12 South Carolina jumped five places and No. 13 Louisiana State slipped two spots following a 102-96 loss to Illinois. No. 14 Oklahoma also dropped two places after its 90-85 setback at home against Duke.

No. 15 Connecticut remained unchanged and No. 16 Georgetown plummeted six positions after its 71-60 loss to Ohio State on Saturday in Las Vegas, Nev. No. 17 Georgia fell four spots after losing in triple overtime to state rival Georgia Tech.

Michigan State jumped six positions into 18th. Nebraska, which at 10- 1 has matched its victory total for all of last season, tied with East Tennessee State for 19th.

No. 21 Iowa made the biggest entrance into the ratings this week, while New Mexico State and Southern Mississippi tied for 22nd. There was another tie for 24th between newcomers Virginia and Alabama.

Dropping out of the ratings this week were Princeton, the first ranked team from the Ivy League since 1979, Temple and DePaul.

The Big East dominated the ratings by placing five members in the Top 25, while the Big Ten was represented by four schools. The Atlantic Coast Conference and Southeastern Conference each placed three teams in the ratings.

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#90358u1563 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

BETHLEHEM, Israeli-occupied West Bank (DEC. 24) UPI - Bells pealed in the town of Jesus' birth for midnight mass on Christmas Eve while a smaller than usual crowd gathered to celebrate the holiday in the Church of the Nativity complex.

Latin Patriarch Michel Sabah told faithful that peace was absent in the town of Jesus' birth.

''This earth is tired, oversaturated with injustice,'' said Sabah, the spiritual leader of the 125,000 Roman Catholics living in Israel, Jordan and the Israeli-occupied territories.

While not mentioning the 3-year-old Palestinian uprising directly, Sabah talked of ''children thrown into the melee of violence.''

Born in Nazareth, Sabah is the first Arab prelate to occupy the high office in Jerusalem in 143 years. He has been outspoken during his 3 1/2- year tenure which has coincided with the Palestinian uprising.

''Here in Bethlehem, peace is absent,'' Sabah told those gathered in the Church of St. Katherine in the Church of the Nativity complex.

Despite travel advisories for the region issued by governments in the wake of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, visitors arrived from Germany, Canada, the United States and other countries to celebrate Christmas in Bethlehem.

But in comparison to years before the Palestinian uprising when thousands packed the complex, only several hundred people came Monday night to Manger Square.

Evelyn VandenBosch said she was not afraid to come to Bethlehem for Christmas Eve.

''You know what I feel when I come to Israel. I feel peace,'' said VandenBosch of Grand Haven, Mich. ''I do not feel fear at all.''

Manger Square was cordoned off with police barricades and security booths, where anyone wishing to enter the area was searched. At the entrance to the Church of the Nativity complex, visitors went through a second frisk by security forces while plainclothes security wandered nearby and along the roads leading off Manger Square.

The presence of Israeli security forces was greater during the day, when dozens of armed Israeli soldiers - as well as journalists - far outnumbered Christian pilgrims. The soldiers patrolled the narrow roads of Bethlehem and manned barricades along the main road to Manger Square.

Christian Palestinians from the town gathered in the wide square at midday, with few foreign visitors scattered among them, as they waited for the arrival of Latin Patriarch Michel Sabah to initiate Christmas Eve services.

''There are no people, look,'' said one Christian Bethlehem teenager as she stood inside the Church of the Nativity's enormous basilica.

''We are Christians and we must celebrate Christmas in our hearts and in our houses. Nobody can prevent me - no Jew, no Palestinian,'' said one of her friends, a 19-year-old resident of Bethlehem, who also declined to give his name.

Since the start of the Palestinian uprising, all non-religious Christmas celebrations have been cancelled. Few decorations adorned Manger Square, except for several strings of lights and a lone colorful star on a tree near the square's Christmas Tree cafe.

The uprising's underground leadership also called a general strike in Bethlehem Monday, forcing shopkeepers to keep their doors closed. City

officials said Bethlehem hotels were empty, except for some foreign reporters.

Before the uprising, roughly a dozen local and international choirs sang on Christmas Eve to a packed Manger Square. This year, only two choirs were scheduled to present their program, one from Jerusalem and the other from the First United Methodist Church in Oklahoma.

Inside the musty grottos below the Church of the Nativity complex earlier Monday, a few Christian pilgrims sat silently in meditation or bowed before the silver star commemorating the spot tradition holds was the place of Jesus' birth. The Latin inscription reads, ''Here Jesus Christ was born of the Virgin Mary.''

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#90358u1565 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

VATICAN CITY (DEC. 24) UPI - Pope John Paul II celebrated a joyous Christmas Eve midnight Mass before more than 20,000 worshipers in St. Peter's Basilica Monday and said an awareness of God's love is what the materialistic modern world most lacks.

Dressed in white and gold robes, the pope proclaimed the Gospel news that ''Christ has been born to us'' in a traditional ceremony televised to some 250 million people in 50 countries in five continents.

The midnight mass, celebrated in Christian churches all over the world, traditionally speaks of the spiritual meaning of the birth of Jesus Christ.

''The mystery of the night of Bethlehem has a universal meaning,'' the pope said in his homily. ''It is the first word of the Gospel, the Good News.''

John Paul said, ''God takes pleasure in every man and woman,'' and in God ''we become sons of the Son, the children whom God loves.''

''Is not this very fact the first and fundamental truth of the Good News?'' he asked. ''Is this not what the men and women of our time need, too, and perhaps in a special way? Amid all the achievements of the progress of material civilization, is not this what they most lack?'' he asked.

Attending the two-hour rites in the 16th century basilica were more than 20,000 worshipers, including cardinals, Vatican nobility and members of the diplomatic corps, along with thousands of ordinary pilgrims.

This year, the diplomats included ambassadors from the Soviet Union and East European countries, which this year followed the pope's native Poland in establishing diplomatic relations with the Holy See.

In following the traditional lines of the Christmas Eve Mass, the pope made no

specific reference to the Persian Gulf crisis or to other current events that have made Christmas 1990 an anxious time for much of the world.

But in one of his prayers, John Paul said, ''Free us, O Lord, from all evil and concede us peace in our days.''

During the midnight Mass, short prayers are traditionally recited in an array of languages by priests from the various countries. The prayer recited this Christmas in Arabic contained an apparent reference to the Gulf crisis.

''Father, you wanted your son Jesus to be the reconciler and peacemaker of heaven and Earth,'' the Arabic prayer said. ''Enlighten the minds of the leaders of nations that they may be builders of peace and leave nothing untried to build it in justice and reciprocal respect. ''

At noon Tuesday, following a solemn Mass in St. Peter's Basilica, the pope is to deliver his traditional Christmas message and impart his ''Urbi et Orbi'' (''To the city and the world'') blessing from the central balcony of the basilica.

Normally some 200,000 pilgrims and tourists throng St. Peter's Square to hear the pope. But heavy rain fell throughout Monday and was forecast to continue Christmas Day, possibly affecting the turnout.

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(DEC. 25) - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	22	4	.846	-
Philadelphia	18	8	.692	4
New York	12	13	.480	9 1/2
New Jersey	10	15	.400	11 1/2
Washington	10	15	.400	11 1/2
Miami	6	19	.240	15 1/2

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	18	8	.692	-
Chicago	17	9	.654	1
Detroit	16	10	.615	2
Atlanta	12	13	.480	5 1/2
Cleveland	11	16	.407	7 1/2
Indiana	10	17	.370	8 1/2
Charlotte	8	16	.333	9

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	17	6	.739	-
Utah	17	10	.630	2
Houston	15	11	.577	3 1/2
Dallas	9	14	.391	8
Minnesota	7	18	.280	11
Denver	5	20	.200	13
Orlando	5	22	.185	14

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	24	3	.889	-
Phoenix	15	9	.625	7 1/2
LA Lakers	15	9	.625	7 1/2
Golden State	15	10	.600	8
Seattle	10	13	.435	12
LA Clippers	11	15	.423	12 1/2
Sacramento	6	18	.250	16 1/2

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#90358u1609 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

MIAMI (DEC. 24) UPI - Colorado receiver Mike Pritchard has fractured a bone in his left hand, but Coach Bill McCartney said Monday he hopes the big- play specialist will be able to play in the Orange Bowl against Notre Dame New Year's night.

Trainer Dave Burton said Pritchard, who is left handed, was kicked in the hand during goal-line drills late in the Buffaloes' practice Sunday, but the fracture wasn't discovered until he returned to the hotel.

Burton said Pritchard fractured the third metacarpal on the back of his hand and was fitted with a plastic and fiberglass cast that did not cover the fingers.

Pritchard suited up for practice for conditioning purposes Sunday.

''I'm going to play with pain,'' Pritchard said. ''Right now it hurts, but I'm confident by game time it will be minimized by the trainers.''

Pritchard was voted the top-ranked Buffs' most valuable player after this season. He played a major part in top-Colorado's 10-1-1 season.

With running back Eric Bienemy suspended for the first game against Tennessee, Pritchard played in the backfield and ran for 217 yards.

The senior from Las Vegas set a Colorado receiving record of 73 yards and averaged 20 yards every time he touched the ball. He is averaging 48.8 yards on his 11 scoring plays.

McCartney said it would take six to eight weeks for the fracture to heal, but if the hand was protected Pritchard should be able to play.

''If he's in too much pain to play, we won't play him, but right now, we're planning on playing him,'' McCartney said. ''He can catch the ball. He might not catch it as well as he would normally.

''We didn't do much with him today because it's so tender right now. With each day the swelling ought to go out of there. When we get the swelling out of there the pain won't be intolerable. Right now, it's intolerable.''

Linebacker Alfred Williams, the Dick Butkus Award winner, had to skip his third straight practice. Williams missed the team flight from Denver Friday and by the time he arrived on his own the next day, he had become ill and developed bronchitis. He is expected to be ready when practice resumes Thursday.

McCartney already had given his team Christmas day off, and decided to extend that another day because the team was having trouble adjusting to the heat. Temperatures ranged into the 80s for the third straight day Monday.

''My feeling is we need a couple of days off after observing the toll the heat has taken,'' the coach said. ''We'll let them go to the beach for a couple of days.''

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(repeating)

NEW YORK (DEC. 24) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Monday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	44,210,900
Advances	641
Declines	822
Unchanged	2,722
Total	4,185

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#90358u1633 12/24/1990 ~United Press International
WASHINGTON (DEC. 24) UPI - President Bush declared Monday that a major disaster exists in Guam, making federal funds available to the Pacific island

territory as it struggles to recover from damage done last week by Typhoon Russ.

Bush's declaration will enable victims of the storm to obtain temporary housing grants, low-cost loans to cover uninsured property and other aid, said Stephen Hart, deputy White House press secretary.

Typhoon Russ swept across Guam Friday with winds of up to 150 mph, leaving about 5,000 people homeless, said Peg Malloy, a spokeswoman for the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

The agency said homeowners and businesses in Guam can apply for assistance by calling 1-800-462-9029 or 1-800-462-7585 (TDD). The latter number serves the hearing and speech impaired.

Wallace Stickney, FEMA director, named Alton Ray Jr. of FEMA's regional office in Denton, Texas, to coordinate recovery efforts.

Guam, southernmost and largest of the Mariana Islands with 209 square miles, lies 1,500 miles southeast of the Philippines and 3,000 miles west of Hawaii.

It was surrendered by Spain to the United States in 1898 after the Spanish-American War and became a U.S. territory in July 1950. Its people are American citizens but cannot vote for president.

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#90358u1680 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

ROANOKE, VA (DEC. 24) UPI - An infant found in a trash bin last week died Monday, and authorities say if they find the boy's mother, they will charge her with first-degree murder.

''I'm in total shock. I feel I've lost something out of me,'' said Lewis Williams, the unemployed construction worker who found the baby last Wednesday morning while hunting aluminum cans.

''I braced myself for the worst, but no matter how much you brace yourself, you can't get over the shock. It's just there.''

The infant, dubbed Isaiah by Roanoke Memorial Hospital intensive care unit nurses who decided he needed a name, was declared brain dead at 9:45 a.m. EST, Dr. Robert Allen said.

Allen said the two to fours hours Isaiah spent in a plastic trash bag in 40-degree weather after his birth caused hypothermia, resulting in decreased blood and oxygen flow to his brain, Allen said.

From the time he was found morning until Friday night, Isaiah appeared to be

improving, prompting adoption offers and donations of cash and baby items.

But Isaiah suffered a repeat of the seizures doctors thought they had brought under control Wednesday, and by Saturday physicians were warning Isaiah probably had little time left to live.

Roanoke police still had not located the infant's mother by Monday. Roanoke Commonwealth's Attorney Don Caldwell said if the baby died, the mother would be charged with first-degree murder.

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#90358u1739 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) UPI - President Bush and his top military advisers met for three hours today at Camp David to discuss the Persian Gulf crisis. Defense Secretary Cheney and General Colin Powell, head of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, detailed the findings of their just-ended trip to the Gulf region.

In Baghdad, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein recalled his ambassadors in Washington, at the United Nations and key European capitals to Baghdad for consultations. Saddam also threatened to attack Tel Aviv, Israel, if Iraq is attacked by U-S-led forces in the gulf.

The Bush administration is reviewing the possibility of resuming military supplies to the Salvadoran army. A State Department spokesman made the announcement following intelligence reports that rebel forces are planning a new offensive.

U-S officials today responded to charges levied by the head of the Soviet K-G-B that western aid and investment in the economically troubled Soviet Union amount to foreign interference. A State Department spokesman called the charges ''completely unfounded and inaccurate.''

The State Department today denied charges it's interfering in Chinese internal affairs by pressing human rights issues. But spokesman Richard Boucher warned Beijing that continued abuses of its citizens could have economic consequences.

A minor earthquake rattled a remote area of Montana today. Seismologists at the University of Utah say the tremor struck about six miles northwest of West Yellowstone but caused NO damage or injuries. It measured three-point-eight on the Richter scale.

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#90358u1847 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) UPI - The bodies of 20 sailors who drowned in a ferry boat accident off Haifa, Israel, arrived at Dover Air Force Base in Delaware today. The servicemen were honored as ''peacemakers'' and ''the sons of God.'' Their

flag-draped coffins were removed from a C-141 transport plane one at a time and greeted by an honor guard, government officials, tearful family members and friends.

The State Department confirms that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has summoned some of his key ambassadors back to Baghdad for ''normal consultations.'' The State Department says the ambassador to Washington flew home Friday. And the Iraqi embassy says the ambassadors from the United Nations, London and Paris also returned to Iraq.

Christmas preparations continue tonight in two major states in Australia, despite the threat of major loss of life and property from a cyclone and widsespread bushfires. Meteorologists say cyclone Joy, packing 125 mile-an-hour winds, is heading for the north Queensland State coast near Cairns.

In New South Wales State, scores of bushfires are still smouldering after one of the worst bushfire disasters in years. More than 20 homes were destroyed and more than one-thousand people in Sydney left their homes yesterday when temperatures rose to 105 degrees, sparking many fire outbreaks. At one point, 500 bushfires were estimated to be burning in the state.

In Lebanon, Prime Minister Omar Karami formed a new Cabinet today after a day of deliberations. The mostly pro-Syrian, 30- member Cabinet includes rival militia leaders in a bid to prevent the country's bloody 15-year civil war from flaring up again. He says he included militia figures to facilitate the dissolving of militia infrastructures.

Israeli immigration officials say the Jewish State received the highest number of immigrants in one year in 1990 since the country's foundation more than 40 years ago. And officials say they expect new records to be set in 1991. Approximately 187-thousand immigrants, mostly Soviet Jews, have arrived in Israel since January 1990.

Guatemalan President Vinicio Cerezo says an army officer and two civilians will be extradited to the United States to stand trial on drug trafficking charges. The officer was given a dishonorable discharge for involvement in the drug trade Thursday... one day before Washington said it would cut military aid to Guatemala because of its poor human rights record.

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#90358u1922 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) UPI - The flag-draped coffins of 20 sailors killed in a ferry boat accident off the coast of Israel were returned home today in a tearful ceremony at Dover Air Force Base in Delaware. The coffins were carried from a military transport plane one by one as solemn music was played. Rear Admiral David White, deputy chief chaplain of the Navy, honored the servicemen as

''peacemakers'' and ''the sons of God.'' The sailors drowned early Saturday within sight of the U-S-S Saratoga aircraft carrier in the Mediterranean Sea when their ferry capsized.

President Bush is spending the holidays at his presidential retreat in the western Maryland mountains. And members of the Bush clan are converging on Camp David to celebrate Christmas Day with the first family. The president took time out today for briefings on developments in the Persian Gulf where troops are on heightened alert. He met for three hours with his senior military advisers to discuss the situation. But there's NO word on what assessment was offered.

In his holiday message broadcast today, Bush said American forces are in the Persian Gulf because- quote- ''the world must NOT reward aggression.'' Again quoting Bush... ''our vital interests are at stake and because of the brutality and danger of Saddam Hussein.'' He told U-S troops in the desert- ''The sacrifices you make will NEVER be forgotten. America is behind you. The world is behind you and history is behind you.''

Bells pealed in Bethlehem, the town of Jesus' birth, for midnight mass Christmas Eve. But a smaller than usual crowd gathered to celebrate the holiday in the Church of the Nativity complex. Only several hundred people went to Manger Square, which in the years before the gulf crisis and the three-year-old Palestinian uprising had been packed with visitors.

In Beirut, relatives and friends of American hostage Terry Anderson and British hostage John McCarthy sent them Christmas messages of support. The messages urging them to keep morale high are to be published by two leading Beirut newspapers tomorrow. Anderson and McCarthy are among 12 foreigners still held hostage by pro-Iranian Moslem fundamentalists in secret hideouts in Lebanon.

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#90358u2151 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) UPI - Diplomats from the Soviet Union and East European countries joined the celebrants in St. Peter's basilica for Christmas Eve mass. The East Bloc nations established diplomatic relations with the Holy See this year.

The National Christmas Tree Association sees NO sign of recession. The Christmas tree industry group predicts sales will be five percent higher than last year... a total of 36-Million trees this Christmas.

A federal appeals court WON'T stop the death of a woman in Missouri. The court refused today to get involved in the case of Nancy Cruzan, whose feeding tube was moved last week. She has been comatose for eight years... since a car accident.

President Bush has declared Guam a major disaster area. The declaration makes federal money available to Guam, which was damaged by Typhoon Russ last week. The typhoon left about five-thousand people homeless on the Pacific island.

Former Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou is a wanted man. A special magistrate investigating a 200-Million dollar Crete bank scandal issued a warrant for Papandreou's arrest because he ignored a summons to testify.

Guatemalan President Cerezo says an army officer and two civilians will be extradited to the U-S to stand trial on drug charges. The announcement comes after the U-S said it would cut aid to Guatemala because of its rights record.

Vietnamese officials anticipate an economically tough year ahead. As a result, Vietnam has set up a socio-economic plan for 1991 that focuses on cutting population growth and improving government efficiency.

A baby boy found in a trash bin in Roanoke, Virginia, last week, died in a hospital today. Police say if they find the baby's mother, they will charge her with murder. Doctors say the baby died from the 40- degree cold.

Soul singer James Brown plans his first show in two years on Christmas Day. Brown will sing to troops at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. He's living in a half-way house after spending about two years in prison.

Two grinches are accused of trying to steal Christmas in Boston. Two men are charged with stealing nearly 100 presents from cars parked at shopping malls. Most gifts have been reclaimed by their owners at a police station.

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#90358u2219 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) UPI - Several sailors wanted hamburgers more than they wanted to return to their ship. And Milwaukee sailor says he owes his life to his rumbling stomach. Jay Rockhill says he was supposed to have been on the ferry that sank off the coast of Israel... drowning 21 sailors. But he stopped to get a hamburger. Rockhill says... ''My life was determined by 20 minutes.'' A Grand Forks, North Dakota, sailor... James McDonald... was in line to board the ill-fated ferry. But he... too... wanted a hamburger and left the line.

Homeless people in Tucson, Arizona, and their supporters are having a Christmas campout at the Tucson federal building. They are protesting the U-S military build-up in the Persian Gulf. The Southern Arizona Coalition for the Homeless says the money for the deployment would be better spent at home on low income housing.

The results are in from the first multi-party elections in two republics of Yugoslavia since World War Two. The ruling Communists won an absolute majority in the Serbian assembly. And the Communist Party chief was elected president

in Montenegro. In Slovenia, 88 percent of the voters favored secession from the Yugoslav federation formed after World War One.

A new step has been taken to try to bring about peace in Lebanon after 15 years of civil war. The new prime minister, Omar Karami, formed a largely pro-Syrian cabinet. The cabinet includes rival militia leaders. Karami says he wants them to feel secure about disbanding their forces. The Christian Lebanese forces and the Iranian-backed Hezbollah Party oppose the cabinet.

Author Salman Rushdie is trying to make peace with Moslem leaders. He released a statement today saying ''There is NO God but Allah and Mohammed was his last prophet.'' The author of ''The Satanic Verses'' also said the book that got him a death threat WON'T be published in paperback or be translated into any additional languages.

Actress Hope Sansberry is dead at the age of 94. Friends revealed today that the character actress died on December 14th at the Leisure World retirement village in Laguna Hills. Hope Sansberry is probably best known for her long-running portrayal of the colonel's wife on ''The Phil Silvers Show'' on television.

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#90358u2263 12/24/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 24) UPI - Christmas Day began quietly in the Persian Gulf, despite the latest pronouncement from Iraq. Saddam Hussein said Tel Aviv would be his first target if Iraq is attacked by U-S-led forces. Saddam also called home his key ambassadors- including the one posted in Washington.

Almost all of the nation is in a deep freeze for Christmas. The East Coast is the last area to get frigid temperatures. Temperatures in New York City set a record of 63, then dropped to freezing. Record lows were set in 35 communities in the western states.

Six people died in a head-on collision between two vans on Interstate 94 in Indiana near the Michigan state line. Police say one van careened across the median of the interstate.

Slick roads caused a seven-car pile-up on Interstate highway 35 near the University of Minnesota. NO was seriously hurt. But it was so cold that an ambulance took several people to a restaurant to warm up.

The cold snap is being blamed for a rash of car thefts in Minneapolis and St. Paul. At least 10 autos were stolen during the weekend. Most of the cars were stolen while their owners left them running and UNattended while warming them up.

Australia celebrated Christmas with more joy than usual. Cyclone Joy has

dissipated to an extent and NO longer threatens North Queensland State. Brushfires have died down in New South Wales State after three days of major damage.

The school district in Corpus Christi, Texas, may add uniformed city police officers to its private security force. Administrators are trying to stop an increase in gang activity.

Christmas is the last day of ammunition sales in Los Angeles this year. The week-long city-wide ban on ammo sales in L-A is designed to put a muzzle on the dangerous practice of shooting into the air to celebrate New Year's Eve.

A 10-week-old strike by members of the United Food and Commercial Workers union against Safeway stores in eastern Washington and Oregon is over. The last of the employees voted yesterday to end their walkout.

Border Patrol agents stopping tractor-trailer rigs for routine inspections on the Texas border hit the jackpot. They seized nearly three-thousand pounds of marijuana after searching two vehicles.

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#90358x1231 12/24/1990 ~Comtex

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 24) UPI - Independent movie maker Carolco Pictures Inc., trying to regain credibility after its chairman was slapped with a court order limiting his operating abilities, denied Monday that it had done anything wrong.

Los Angeles-based Carolco, which released ''Total Recall'' and ''Jacob's Ladder'' this year, also said the court order would have no effect on its operations.

The order, issued last week by Los Angeles Superior Court John Zerbrowski, froze 2.2 million Carolco shares owned by Mario Kassar and told the company not to approve any loans or financial transactions with Kassar without court approval.

Zerbrowski took the action at a hearing of a shareholder's suit alleging self-dealing by Kassar in a $45 million stock transaction with the company last September. In that deal, Carolco bought back about 3.4 million shares from Kassar for $13 a share at a time when the stock was trading at about $7.25 a share on the New York Stock Exchange.

The company did not explain why it had agreed to the transaction at the time or in Monday's announcement.

''Management has believed, and continues to believe, that when all of the facts are reviewed in the appropriate forum, the actions of the board of

directors will be seen as appropriate, fair and in the best interest of the company,'' the company said Monday.

''The transaction at issue was negotiated on an arm's length basis with the independent committee of the board of directors of Carolco and was ultimately approved by the unanimous vote of the disinterested members of the board,'' Carolco said.

The company also said it has received support for its position from institutional investors and other large stockholders representing shares not controlled by Kassar, who has control of 15.1 million shares, or 57 percent of the stock.

Carolco also brushed off the impact of the Zerbrowski's action, saying, ''The order has no effect on the business, assets, capital or activities of the company or its subsidiaries.''

Kassar founded Carolco in 1976 with Andrew Vajna, then bought out his 36 percent stake for about $108 million about a year ago for a price of about $9.60 a share.

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#90359d0110 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 25) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein slammed what he said was Washington's unfair campaign against him and called for a new dialogue with the United States, the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported Tuesday.

"Our people in Iraq have been subjected to an unfair campaign launched by President George Bush with the help of international zionism and to an economic embargo depriving them of medicines and milk for infants," he said in a message addressed to a hitherto unknown peace group.

The Iraqi leader said Mr. Bush had "deployed troops on our borders . . . equipped with technology aimed at killing, destroying and defeating the will of a people determined to protect their legitimate rights."

He said injustice created wars and that peace could not be achieved without a fair and just dialogue.

"Why all this evil deployment? Is it to defend the oil sheikhs?" he asked.

He was referring to the U.S.-led multinational force massed against Iraq in the Gulf since Baghdad's troops invaded Kuwait on August 2.

"These oil sheikhs, who belong to the era of decadence, were charged by their evil masters to protect the oil wells so that they (masters) can control and amass (riches) of the world," President Hussein said in his message.

The Iraqi leader added: "We are at the end of the 20th century while thousands of Palestinians have been dispersed for more than 40 years because of the United States' injustice and with the complicity of the zionists."

He said earlier that the Middle East would remain unstable so long as the Palestinian problem remained unsolved.

"The Palestinian cause is the center of the Arab struggle," he was quoted by Jordan's official Petra news agency as saying, adding that if the problem is unresolved "the region will know no peace."

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#90359d0160 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC. 25) - The last three members of a Jewish terrorist organization jailed for anti-Arab attacks between June 1980 and May 1984 are to be freed Wednesday after President Chaim Herzog commuted their sentences, court sources said here Tuesday.

Menahem Livni, former head of the 28-member group, Uri Sharvav and Shaul Nir, were initially given life sentences for organizing, carrying out or planning bloody attacks against Palestinians.

The were charged with attacking the Palestinian mayors of Nablus, Ramallah and El Bireh in the occupied West Bank in 1980.

They killed three Palestinian students and wounded 30 others in a shooting spree at Hebron's Islamic high school. The group had planned to blow up the Omar and Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem "to hasten the arrival of the Messiah."

In 1987, President Herzog commuted the sentences of the three defendants to 24 years and reduced the term to 15 years in 1988.

In all, the extremists group's leaders will have served only seven years in jail.

Mr. Herzog said the inmates had behaved well and shown their sincere remorse.

On Sunday, the trial of a 21-year-old Israeli charged with the cold-blooded killings of seven Palestinians last May opened at a court in Tel Aviv.

The lawyers of Ami Popper were planning to argue that the defendant was "mentally unbalanced," as a result of having once been sexually assaulted, and that the killings were not premeditated.

He was charged in June with the May 20 killings of seven Arab workers in Rishon Le Zion near Tel Aviv and with the attempted murder of 10 other

Palestinians, all of whom were shot and wounded.

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#90359d0470 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (DEC. 26) - Hong Kong's inflation remained high in November, with prices 10.9 per cent higher than the same month last year, the government said Wednesday.

The hike was logged in the government's Consumer Price Index "A" covering 50 per cent of urban households, the Census and Statistics Department said in a statement.

The government attributed the rates of increase during the month to a combination of higher costs for food and the increasing cost of private sector housing rentals.

The private-sector Hang Seng Consumer Index put November prices at 12 per cent higher than November 1989. The index covers 10 per cent of urban households of higher-income families.

A weak economic showing in the first three-quarters of the year coupled with oil price hikes caused by the Gulf crisis led the government to trim its forecast of gross domestic product (GDP) growth for the year to 2.3 per cent from an initial estimate of three per cent.

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#90359d0510 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 26) - Japan's cut flower imports, mainly from Taiwan and the Netherlands, will likely fall in 1991 from 1990 because of the weak yen and growing domestic production, the Nihon Keizai Shimbun said Wednesday.

The leading financial newspaper, quoting industry sources, said Japan's cut flower imports totaled 10,800 tonnes between January and November, down 10 per cent from the same period last year.

During the period, imports from Taiwan, the biggest supplier to Japan, fell 41 per cent to 2,600 tonnes, and imports from the Netherlands declined 15 per cent to 1,700 tonnes.

Total cut flower imports in 1990 were estimated to decline 10 to 15 per cent from the previous year as Japanese flower growers were shifting to mass production of uncommon varieties of flowers, which dominate Japan's flower market, the sources said.

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#90359d8820 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

THE HAGUE (DEC. 25) - The Netherlands Tuesday suspended economic aid to Suriname to protest the military coup that toppled the elected government in the former Dutch colony, the foreign ministry said.

The Hague condemned Monday's "anti-democratic seizure of power by the military in Suriname and deeply regrets that such a severe blow has been dealt to the consolidation of democracy" in that nation on the northeastern tip of South America, a ministry spokesman said.

Suriname, which gained independence in 1975, remains heavily dependent on Dutch economic aid. The government here had alloted the equivalent of 120 million dollars a year for Suriname, disbursing the funds on a case-by-case basis.

The Netherlands suspended aid to Suriname in 1982 after 15 opposition leaders died while in custody under the military regime of Lieutenant Colonel Desi Bouterse, who had seized power in 1980.

That regime surrendered power in 1988 to an elected government led by President Ramsewak Shankar, who was toppled in Tuesday's apparently bloodless putsch, but Lt. Col. Bouterse remained a powerful figure in his capacity as military chief.

Lt. Col. Bouterse, who resigned Sunday from his military post, had blasted Mr. Shankar for failing to stick up for him during run-ins he had with Dutch authorities during recent stopovers at Amsterdam airport.

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#90359d8830 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 25) - The private sector made a slight comeback this year, after being hit by China's austerity program over the last two years, the New China News Agency (NCNA) reported.

An official of the State Administration for Industry and Commerce told NCNA there were now 20.24 million registered private business people, up 4.7 per cent from last year.

According to administration figures, 19.32 million people were engaged in private businesses last year, a drop of 16.44 per cent compared with 1988.

The number of private businesses grew quickly under reforms of the 1980s but were hit hard after the central government implemented an austerity program in late 1988.

Many were forced to close due to lack of credit, much of which was put aside for inefficient and loss-making state-run enterprises.

Beijing eased up in its loan restrictions from late last year.

The official also told NCNA the central government would encourage the private sector to develop further.

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#90359d8840 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (DEC. 25) - Cambodian resistance guerrillas and Phnom Penh government troops Tuesday exchanged mortar and artillery fire near a northwestern border town, a Thai military source said.

It was the first outbreak of fighting in northwestern Cambodia since the conclusion Sunday in Paris of discussions aimed at settling the 12-year Cambodian conflict, the source said.

The battle, which could be heard on the Thai side of the border in Aranyaprathet township, occurred around 9:00 a.m. (0200 GMT) Tuesday along Highway 5, a strategic road linking northwestern Cambodia with Phnom Penh, the source said.

Guerrillas belonging to the non-communist Khmer People's National Liberation Front attacked government troops in Ban Bakchan, Ban Koke-kow and Ban Sing north of Highway 5, the source said.

The Khmer Rouge also launched an offensive aimed at seizing a stretch of highway some 15 kilometres (nine miles) to the south.

Casualty figures were not immediately known.

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#90359d8870 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU (DEC. 25) - Amid concern that the general election might be delayed if constituencies are not mapped out in time, Nepal's King Birendra on Tuesday announced the appointment of a three-member commission for the purpose.

An announcement by Radio Nepal said that the three-member constituency delineation commission was being formed with the advice and approval of the interim government.

It said the three-member commission comprises Jogendra Prasad Shrivasta, who heads the panel, Chandra Bahadur Shrestha, a member of Nepal's National Planning Commission, and Yogendra Nath Ojha, a joint secretary in Nepalese Interior Ministry.

The composition of the panel indicates that it will meet with the approval of

the Nepalese of Indian origin who live in the kingdom's southern Terai Belt as two of the three members belong to that community.

The delay in the formation of the commission, which is to sumbit its report by January 28, had fuelled fears here that the general election might not be able to be held in April or May next year as originally planned.

The election will be Nepal's first multi-party poll in 32 years.

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#90359d8910 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 25) - All Nippon Airways Co. Ltd. (ANA) and Japan Air System Co. Ltd. (JAS) said Tuesday they had applied for Japanese Transport Ministry permission to start new passenger services to New York and Honolulu next year.

ANA, the country's second-biggest airline and its largest domestic carrier, said it wanted to offer three round-trip flights a week between Tokyo and New York from March 9, using Boeing 747-200 aircraft.

The number of weekly flights would later be increased to five, the airline said in a statement.

JAS, the country's third-biggest carrier, is proposing two flights a week between Tokyo and Honolulu from June 3, using DC-10 aircraft, a spokesman said.

ANA began international services in 1986 and now flies to 17 foreign destinations including Los Angeles and Washington. JAS began international services in 1988 and currently flies to Seoul and Singapore.

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#90359d9090 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 25) - Japan's Sumitomo Chemical Co. Ltd. said Tuesday it had agreed to form a joint venture with Nippon Shokubai Kagaku Kogyo Ltd. and South Korea's Lucky Ltd. to make industrial adhesives in South Korea.

The new company, capitalised at 24 billion won (34 million dollars), is to be 50 per cent owned by Lucky, the parent of South Korea's third-biggest conglomerate and the country's largest chemical concern.

The two Japanese companies will hold 25 per cent each, Sumitomo added.

The joint venture plans to complete a plant at Lucky-Goldstar's existing petrochemical complex in Yeochun in early 1993, producing up to 40,000 tonnes of methylmethacrylate (MMA) monomer and 30,000 tonnes of isobutylene a year.

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#90359d9270 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
JERUSALEM (DEC. 25) - Diplomatic relations between Israel and the Soviet Union moved a step closer Tuesday when the level of the Soviet representation in Israel was raised from that of interest section to consulate general.

Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy used the occasion to appeal to his Soviet counterpart Eduard Shevardnadze to retract his decision to resign. ''My hope joins that of very many in the Ussr to reverse his decision,'' Levy said.

Levy accepted the credentials of Soviet consul general Alexei Chesnakov, who voiced hope that the setting up of the consulate general would promote the dialogue between the countries to ''help the achievement of peace in the Middle East''.

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#90359d9280 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BOGOTA (DEC. 25) - Violence marred Christmas Eve celebrations in Colombia as 40 people died in the capital city, police said Tuesday.

Street fights, holiday party accidents and suicides accounted for the majority of the fatalities, police said.

The other six victims were killed in traffic accidents, caused mainly by speeding or drunken driving.

Police said another 22 people were injured in automobile accidents.

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#90359d9360 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency
EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (DEC. 25) - After his troops finished serenading him with Marine versions of Christmas carols, Lieutenant Colonel Tom Jones' thoughts turned to war.

He feared his men would suffer heavy casualties because he said the Iraqis are skilled at laying mines and building defensive positions.

This war would also last longer than many think and would be more intense than his own experience in Vietnam, he said on Christmas Eve as he stood outside the camouflage netting that served as his home in the desert.

His troops, who had just sung modified carols like "silent night, we're going to fight," trudged back to camp.

"In Vietnam, regardless of what you think, it was a low-intensity to mid-intensity conflict," he said. "This here is almost the opposite. We're

talking mid-intensity to high intensity."

As if to reinforce his concern, his battalion had upgraded security in the previous 48 hours, one of his officers said. It reflected a general security alert for multinational forces that had been imposed for the holidays.

(Back in the United States, President George Bush was told by Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and the chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, General Colin Powell, that U.S. forces they had just visited in the Gulf would not be ready to fight Iraq until mid-February.

(The New York Times reported Tuesday Mr. Bush was told by his two senior defense aides that officers in the field said they would not be ready by January 15, the deadline imposed on Iraq by the United Nations to withdraw from Kuwait which it invaded August 2.)

But despite what is widely perceived as an increasing risk of war, U.S. troops opened presents, ate Christmas dinner, played sports and heard entertainer Bob Hope crack jokes.

In Col. Jones' battalion, Marines huddled in their makeshift chapel to sing carols, recite prayers, and share in communion -- their faces lit up by the red glow of the occasional flashlight.

Asked about the importance of the service, Lance Corporal William Jackson, Jr. of Connecticut said: "It's just keeping up on our religion, just giving us that extra little bit to go on -- some more strength."

Marines also said their morale was bolstered by the continuous flow of food and presents from friends, family and people they had never met.

Under scores of camouflage nets in the desert were miniature Christmas trees, candy canes, stacks of presents, and the occasionnal red Santa sock.

"Lots of people have missed holidays before, but this is kind of a special one because of the extra threat," said Lt. Daniel Egge, 29, from Rapid City, North Dakota. "My wife's never sent me so many 'care' packages.'"

While some Marines dug an air raid shelter in the desert sand and helicopters hovered nearby, Corporal Tony Amezcua held a megaphone over a tape recorder playing Bing Crosby's "Silver Bells."

He aimed it in different directions, grinning and dancing to the music.

Although Col. Jones said he was concerned for the fate of his men, he said they have matured quickly in difficult circumstances.

Whereas they first arrived in Saudi Arabia with false bravado, they now have a

kind of "calm assurance," he said.

"None of them want to go to war, but they realize if they have to, they're pretty well prepared.

As for Christmas, he said it is "the holiday that reminds you about your family. That brings the stark reality of the separation ... to the young Marines. It's much more poignant in an environment like this."

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#90359d9380 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (DEC. 25) - A turk was sentenced here Tuesday to 12 years and six months in prison for spying for Iraq.

The military court found Ahmet Alver, an unemployed former oil industry official, guilty of providing information on military bases and facilities in south-eastern Turkey to his Iraqi controllers.

Alver told the court that he had been recruited when he applied to the Iraqi embassy for a visa earlier this year. He said all that he provided his controllers was information gathered from the newspapers and television.

The Iraqi military attache, Brigadier-General Fadhil Ahmed Septi, was withdrawn by Baghdad last month, apparently at Turkey's request, after he was named in the espionage trial.

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#90359d9450 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 25) - The United States Tuesday condemned the coup that toppled the elected government in Suriname and called for the restoration of civilian rule in the former Dutch colony in South America.

"We condemn this violation of constitutional order in Suriname," the State Department said of Monday's apparently bloodless putsch.

"This action at a time when the entire hemisphere is moving toward democracy will only further isolate Suriname from the international community to the detriment of the Surinamese people," the department said in a statement read by a spokeswoman.

"We call on the Surinamese military to restore power immediately to the democratically elected authorities of that country," the communique added.

President Ramsewak Shankar, who was ousted in the coup, had taken power as the head of an elected government in 1988 after nearly eight years of rule by military strongman Lieutenant Colonel Desi Bouterse.

Lt. Col. Bouterse resigned Sunday as commander of the armed forces.

The coup was led by the acting military chief, Lieutenant Iwan Graanoogst, who had been Lt. Col. Bouterse's second-in-command.

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#90359d9480 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRO (DEC. 25) - Egypt and Romania Tuesday announced agreement on increasing cooperation, setting up a committee at ministry level to discuss details at twice-yearly meetings.

The agreement was announced here by Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid and his Romanian counterpart Adrian Nastase, who was making his first visit to an Arab country.

Meguid said they also discussed the democratisation process in Romania and the Gulf crisis. Nastase earlier delivered a message to President Hosny Mubarak from Romanian President Ion Iliescu.

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#90359d9490 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 25) - Japan's crude oil imports rose 9.6 per cent from a year earlier to 129 million barrels last month for the 10th increase in a row, the international trade and industry ministry said Tuesday.

Imports from the Middle East rose 5.7 per cent to 95.3 million barrels, accounting for 73.6 per cent of the November total, the ministry said.

Japanese purchases of crude oil from Iran soared 119.9 per cent, while those from Saudi Arabia jumped 77.7 per cent in November, it said without specifying the volumes.

There were no imports from Iraq with which Japan suspended all trade following its invasion of Kuwait on August 2.

Domestic sales of oil products in Japan in November dropped 1.1 per cent from the 1989 level to 112 million barrels, with kerosene plunging 17.7 per cent to 13 million barrels, the ministry said.

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#90359d9520 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DOHA (DEC. 25) - Leaders of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) ended a three-day summit here late Tuesday after a series of snags on bilateral and defense issues and resolution of the Gulf crisis, officials said.

The leaders were expected to approve and release their final resolutions after a formal closing and plenary session following a series of bilateral contacts, they said.

Heads of state from Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Baharain, Oman and Qatar were meeting to discuss Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait and what action to take as a regional body.

Conference sources earlier said that the council was divided on how to confront the Iraqi invasion but senior delegation officials denied the claim.

King Fahd of Saudi Arabia on Monday asserted that the GCC wanted to liberate Kuwait by peaceful means, "as long as peace is possible, or by war, when war is the only way."

In a final communique, the council called on Iraq to withdraw its troops "immediately and without preconditions" from Kuwait before the United Nations Security Council-mandated deadline of January 15.

"The six nation members of the Gulf Cooperation Council urge the Iraqi regime to immediately and without precondition pull out its troops from Kuwait before January 15, 1991," the statement ending the council's 11th summit said.

The GCC also voiced support for all the U.N. resolutions, notably those sanctioning the use of force against Iraq if it refused to withdraw from the emirate.

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#90359d9540 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (DEC. 25) - The Serbian Socialist Party won a landslide victory in the Yugoslavian republic of Serbia's parliamentary election, winning 194 of the chamber's 250 seats, according to final results released Tuesday.

The nationalist Serbian party led by writer Vuk Draskovic won only 19 seats and the Democratic Party won seven. Pro-Yugoslav parties, notably Prime Minister Ante Markovic's reformists and the associaton for a Yugoslav initiative won only three seats.

Serbia, with a population of 9.9 million, is the only Yugoslav republic to be governed by former Communists. The tiny republic of Montenegro, population 600,000, is still governed by Communists, who unlike the party in Serbia, decided not to reform.

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#90359d9770 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KHARTOUM (DEC. 25) - Sudan's foreign debt has reached 13 billion dollars, the governor of the central bank told the official news agency SUNA on Tuesday.

Al Sheikh Sid Ahmed El Sheikh said Sudan had been badly hit by the Gulf crisis. It had suffered a sharp cut in income from Sudanese workers in the Gulf who sent part of their pay home. He also said work on several construction projects in Sudan paid for by Arab or Kuwaiti development aid funds had ended.

Mr. El Cheikh said some international commercial banks had proposed a freeze on part of the Sudanese debt if the government reimbursed the other part. These banks' debts, he said, made up 16 per cent of the nation's total foreign debt.

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#90359d9790 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 25) - Romanian President Ion Iliescu will visit China from January 14-19, the New China News Agency (NCNA) said Tuesday.

Mr. Iliescu's visit was at the invitation of Chinese President Yang Shangkun, NCNA said without giving any further details.

During his visit to China in October, Romanian Foreign Minister Adrian Nastase spoke of Beijing and Bucharest's mutual desire to promote "long term friendly relations" and bilateral cooperation.

Mr. Nastase's visit was the first by a member of the Romanian government since the overthrow of former leader Nicolae Ceausescu in October 1989.

It was followed by a visit from Defence Minister General Victor Stanculescu in late October.

In November, China and Romania signed an agreement on scientific and technilogical cooperation.

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#90359d9800 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (DEC. 25) - Former King Michael of Romania arrived late Tuesday in Bucharest but the interior ministry said he was in the country illegally.

He had come to "pray on the tomb of his ancestors" at Curtea de Arges in central Romania, his daughter Princess Margareta said. The former king, accompanied by his wife, Princess Anne of Bourbon Parme and his youngest daughter Sofia are to leave Romania on Wednesday afternoon, she said.

The Romanian interior ministry said the royal family had entered the country "fraudulently."

In a communique issued Tuesday evening, the ministry said the family had "no entry visas." It said that when the family arrived "at the border (at the airport) they deposited their passports and crossed the border without waiting for the legal decision of the border police."

"This has put them in an illegal situation," the communique said.

Princess Margareta arrived last Thursday in Bucharest and will leave on January 4.

The former king, who lives in exile in western Switzerland, tried to return to Romania on April 12 for Easter but was refused entry at the last minute although he had an entry visa.

Romanian authorities at the time said they were concerned with the effect the ex-king's visit could have on the country's stability just before elections on May 20. Prime Minister Petre Roman said the former monarch's proposed visit would be "a political act."

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#90359d9900 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (DEC. 25) - Striking miners in the Ljubovija lead and zinc mines in western Serbia threatened to blow up pit facilities if Serbian authorities continued to shun talks on a pay dispute and the mine's future status, the Yugoslav Tanjug news agency reported Tuesday.

The 60 Ljubovija miners who walked out Monday were not paid last month and have yet to receive arrears of their September and August pay.

Meanwhile, 200 miners and employees of the Pljevlja coal mine in northwestern Montenegro went on strike Tuesday when the mine management failed to pay out their November salary.

Strikers said they would discuss the industrial dispute with Montenegran authorities.

The strike came two days after Montenegran Communist Party leader Momir Bulatovic was elected president of the smallest Yugoslav republic in a second round of voting.

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#90359d9920 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (DEC. 25) - One hundred militants and sympathizers of the Moslem Annahda movement have been arrested since Saturday in Tunis and several other cities, an Annahda press release said here Tuesday.

Three members of Annahda's managing committee, Ziad Doulatli, Jalaleddin Roueiss, and Mohamed Ben Salem as well as its spokesman Ali Laaridh were also detained.

Most of the arrested Moslems were teachers and civil servants, according to the movement.

The interior ministry would not comment on the arrests, the largest in number since President Zine El Abidine ben Ali took office in November 1987.

According to unofficial sources, the arrests were related to a probe into the activities of a Moslem terrorist group smashed earlier this month.

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#90359d9940 12/25/1990 ~French/German News Agency

DOHA (DEC. 25) - Leaders of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) meeting here on Tuesday condemed Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and called for an immediate withdrawal of Iraqi troops from the emirate before the United Nations Security Council-mandated deadline of January 15.

"The six member nations of the Gulf Cooperation Council urge the Iraqi regime to immediately and without precondition pull out its troops from Kuwait before January 15, 1991," Secretary General Abdallah Bishara, a Kuwaiti, said as he read the final communique.

The council reaffirmed its "complete condemnation of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait," and pledged its "complete support for the Kuwaiti people in their struggle to end the occupation of their country and restoration of the legitimate government," of the ousted emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Sabah.

The GCC also voiced support for all the U.N. resolutions, notably those sanctioning the use of force against Iraq if it refused to withdraw from the emirate, which it invaded on August 2.

The council will dispatch a delegation to the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council to discuss the Gulf crisis, the final communique of the GCC's 11th summit said.

The leaders will send the same delegation to several Arab countries to brief officials there on the GCC's views, it said.

Conference sources earlier said the council was divided on how to confront the Iraqi invasion but senior delegation officials denied the claim.

King Fahd of Saudi Arabia on Monday asserted that the GCC wanted to liberate Kuwait by peaceful means, "as long as peace is possible, or by war, when war is the only way."

The GCC states also thanked Arab, Moslem and friendly countries participating in the U.S.-led multinational force massed against Iraq in the Gulf and said the troops would be repatriated as soon as reasons for their deployment no longer existed.

The summit voiced the hope to speed up the process of integration between GCC members in a bid to create economic interdependence and a Gulf common market.

On the Arab front, the summiteers noted that the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait had "weakened Arab solidarity" and called for the establishment of Arab ties based on "respect for good neighborliness and non-interference in the internal affairs of others."

The summit also decided to create an aid program to support development efforts in Arab and Moslem countries "to encourage the opening of market economies," with the GCC providing the necessary funds, Mr. Bishara said.

The statement did not specify the amount to be disbursed but conference sources said the program could be funded at 15 billion dollars.

In other developments, the GCC leaders expressed concern about the adverse effects of the Gulf crisis on the Palestinian question and reiterated their complete support for the anti-Israeli uprising in the occupied territories.

The summit called for the convocation of an international peace conference on the Middle East with participation of all the parties concerned, but it failed to mention the PLO, which Gulf states had traditionally said was the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people.

GCC leaders gave their suport for the Lebanese government and praised President Elias Hrawi for reuniting the country. They added their support for the creation of an international fund to rebuild Lebanon.

Heads of state from Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Baharain, Oman and Qatar also said they wished to establish special ties with Iran.

"The GCC welcomes Iran's wish to improve its relations with the council's members" and wishes to establish "special and privileged ties with Iran, based on good neighborliness, peaceful coexistence, and common religion and heritage " the communique said.

The GCC was established in 1981 after the Gulf war broke out, to counter what its members considered the Iranian threat against them and Iraq.

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#90359e0010 12/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

ALGIERS (DEC. 25) EFE - Algerian President Chadli Benjedid will undertake a "third phase" of his search to find a peaceful settlement to the Gulf crisis, official sources in the Algerian capital said Tuesday.

Sources said Chadli will begin his new peace tour before the end of the year that will include the Saudi Arabian capital of Riyadh and other unspecified capitals.

Chadli has visited more than a dozen nations this month, primarly in the Middle East and Europe, in quest of a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

One of Chadli's main objectives has been to organize a meeting between Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and Saudi Arabian King Fahd.

Fahd has so far rejected a meeting unless Iraq withdraws from Kuwait, which it invaded August 2.

European-Iraqi talks to solve the crisis are possible "although talks between Baghdad and Washington have not taken place", Algerian Foreign Minister Sid Ahmed Ghozali said in a radio interview.

The Algerian foreign minister said Iraq wants to find a peaceful solution to the crisis but is ready to go to war if it does not find one.

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#90359e0013 12/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

BOGOTA (DEC. 25) EFE - Leftist guerrillas destroyed two naval vessels in separate attacks in the Amazon region of Colombia on Tuesday, the Defense Ministry said.

Rebels of the Colombian Revolutionary Armed Forces (FARC) and the National Liberation Army (ELN) set fire to one launch on the River Guaviare in a joint operation.

The boat was carrying telecommunication equipment for the Amazon town of San Jose, 380 km south of Bogota.

In another FARC-ELN action a vessel transporting food and livestock was destroyed on the River Orteguaza.

A policeman and a rebel were killed when guerrillas attacked a police column Tuesday in the district of Miraflores, 350 km south of Bogota, a ministry statement added.

The FARC and ELN are the two largest guerrilla groups in Colombia and recently joined forces to negotiate peace terms with the government.

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#90359e0014 12/25/1990 ~Latin America New Agency
PUERTO DE LA CRUZ, SPAIN (DEC. 25) EFE - A giant wave swept a group of French tourists from a pier in the Spanish Canary Island of Tenerife on Tuesday and police said three of them drowned after being battered against the harbour wall.

Three more in the group were being treated in hospital for injuries.

Police said the tourists were photographing Atlantic rollers when they were surprised by a huge wave which dragged them into the interior of the harbour.

The dead were identified as Jean Claude Thibault, 45, Pierre Rene Hee, 46, and his son Rene Denis, 18.

Thibault's wife Cristianne, 40, and his daughter Aurelia, 12, were rescued and taken to hospital. The other injured person was Ingrid Papin, 12, police said.

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#90359k0072 12/25/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 25) KYODO - NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. (NTT) SAID TUESDAY IT WILL REPLACE ITS CROSSBAR SWITCH, AN OUTDATED MECHANICAL CABLE TYPE OF SWITCHBOARD, WITH THE LATEST DIGITAL TYPE AT THE END OF FISCAL 1994, A YEAR-AND-A-HALF SOONER THAN IT HAD PLANNED.

THE NEW SYSTEM WILL MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR NTT TO ISSUE DETAILED BILLS TO SUBSCRIBERS ANYWHERE IN THE COUNTRY BY FISCAL 1995.

APPROXIMATELY HALF OF NTT'S SUBSCRIBERS USE THE CROSSBAR SWITCH. UNDER THE ORIGINAL PLANS DRAWN UP IN SEPTEMBER OF LAST YEAR, NTT PLANNED TO COMPLETE THE REPLACEMENT PROCESS BY 1996 BY SWITCHING 5-6 MILLION ANNUALLY.

BUT THE FIRM WILL INCREASE THAT NUMBER TO ABOUT SEVEN MILLION ANNUALLY TO SPEED UP THE PROCESS AT THE GOVERNMENT'S URGING.

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#90359u0001 12/25/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 25) UPI - The nation's largest food bank says the amount of food being distributed has leveled off. Linda Saran of Second Harvest in Chicago says food banks have reached a natural plateau. But another reason is that the food industry has become more efficient, reducing its waste. There are 183 food banks across the nation.

Activist-comedian Dick Gregory had a solitary Christmas morning. Gregory spent it picketing and praying in front of the White House. Gregory was

demonstrating for peace in the Middle East. He is in the 34th day of his fast for peace.

About 25 homeless people set out from Springfield, Massachusetts, today... heading to Boston. They plan to demonstrate at the inauguration of Governor-elect William Weld. They will stay in church basements and soup kitchens on the way to Boston, where they expect to arrive January 3rd.

Chicago Department of Human Services crews spent Christmas canvassing the for the homeless who may want shelter from the bitter cold. Department spokeswoman Linda Hackett-Bradley said of the four-thousand shelter beds available for the homeless, 642 were empty last night.

The grinch is keeping holiday lights dark at public housing in Everett, Massachusetts. The city housing department barred outside lights... saying they might NOT be safe. Tenants threaten to go to court before next Christmas.

In New Jersey for the next week, people who are behind in their rent DON'T have to worry about ending up on the street. During the last week of the year, New Jersey court officers put evictions on hold.

Police in New York City have arrested two brothers in the killing of a man in Queens in a holdup attempt. The victim was shot as he returned home last night with Christmas presents for his wife. He died today. Police say the robbers panicked after they shot the man, and fled without the presents.

Two homeless men trying to keep warm died in a Christmas Eve fire in a vacant garage in South Los Angeles. In another L-A area fire, a Van Nuys home was gutted by a blaze ignited by Christmas tree lights.

Paying Christmas bills may be especially hard for some out-of-work people in California. A malfunctioning computer is delaying 13-thousand unemployment checks in California. State officials say the checks may arrive as much as two weeks late.

The Irish Republican Army for the first time in 16 years called a cease-fire against the British Army. But the truce is only for 72 hours. The last truce, which was in 1974, lasted for eight months.

A proposal to kill coyotes by air in the Dixie National Forest in Utah is on hold. The Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance says the group's appeal to the Forest Service resulted in a stay on the aerial coyote kill.

Looters raided a Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services office in Miami during the weekend. They stole hundreds of toys. The Marines went to the rescue Christmas Eve. They collected toys and took them to the office.

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(DEC. 25) UPI - Americans celebrated Christmas this year with gift giving and good works accompanied by concerns for the ''all-American heroes'' spending the holiday away from home in the Persian Gulf.

''The sacrifices you make will never be forgotten,'' President Bush said in a holiday message to the 280,000 troops in Operation Desert Shield, taped last week and broadcast Christmas Eve.

''America is behind you. The world is behind you and history is behind you. When you come home, and we hope it's soon, you'll be welcomed as what you are - all-American heroes,'' Bush said.

Yellow ribbons - symbolizing the troops abroad - were as prevalent as red and green ones in some households as the threat of war with Iraq loomed.

In Texas, Uncle Sam, not Santa Claus, was the guiding figure for 300 members of a Texas Army National Guard unit who got a Christmas Eve call telling them to report for Operation Desert Shield duty.

''Whether it's Christmas Eve or the middle of May, we have to deal with it,'' said Capt. Henry Hamner, a spokesman for the 217th Evacuation Hospital guard unit based at San Antonio.

''Everyone is taking it as a matter of fact. That's what we've been trained to do for a good number of years. It shouldn't have been a surprise, considering the world situation.''

It was tougher for the family of Army Spec. Alyssa Mehl, who left behind three sons ages 2 to 6 and her husband, Tom, when she shipped out for Saudi Arabia. The economic downturn of 1990 compounded their problems.

''Those guys (his stepsons) need somebody here,'' Tom Mehl said. ''I wanted to get them an electric train set but it was too expensive. They're not getting all the things I was going to give them. That does hurt.''

Christmas cheer also was low in Killeen, Texas, as the 67,000 residents struggled against the twin specters of war and a drooping economy. About 20,000 soldiers from Fort Hood have been shipped to the Middle East and some 3,500 were deactivated earlier.

The result has been the closing of more than 100 businesses this year, officials say, and sales are off 60 percent. Hundreds of homes have been repossessed and about 50 percent of the apartments are empty.

''We have been knocked on our knees,'' City Manager Dan Hobbs says. ''It's an incredibly bleak picture.''

Pat Gallager, a chef at the Red Lion Inn in Omaha, Neb., carved 12 4-foot-high blocks of ice into a nativity scene and hoped it would promote the Christmas spirit over the Persian Gulf.

In Chicago, Torrence Green, 17, a volunteer, helped prepare packages of cereal bread, canned soups, canned vegetables and butter for the 15th annual holiday food giveway at the Paul Hall Community Center on the South Side.

''That's what Christmas is all about, helping people in need,'' Green said.

Shoppers, meanwhile, made their traditional last-minute raids on stores Christmas Eve to finish off their shopping before joining their families for presents, caroling, religious services or acts of holiday charity.

Leslie Searcy, an Atlanta area resident, said the sick economy seemed to have made shoppers leery about making Christmas purchases.

''I saw a lot of people doing a lot of looking before actually buying, as in comparing prices before buying - like I did,'' Searcy said.

In Detroit, Margie Thompson, 53, and her daughter Margaret, 25, opened their presents Monday and had an even more important exchange scheduled for Wednesday, when doctors will transplant one of Margie's kidneys to Margaret.

Margaret has had kidney disease for almost two years as the result of her 19-year battle with diabetes, which also has left her partially blind.

Two grinches were caught trying to steal Christmas in Boston. Steven O'Neil, 25, and George McNelley, 32, allegedly stole nearly 100 Christmas presents from cars parked at shopping malls.

The stolen gifts were taken to the state police headquarters in Peabody where most were reclaimed by their owners.

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(DEC. 25) - TUESDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Chicago (AL) - Traded outfielder Ivan Calderon and pitcher Barry Jones to Montreal for outfielder Tim Raines, minor- league pitcher Jeff Carter and a player to be named.

BASKETBALL

Boston - Waived forward Dave Popson.

Dallas - Waived guard Kelvin Upshaw.

Denver - Waived guards T.R. Dunn and Avery Johnson; activated forward Jerome Lane from injured list.

Philadelphia - Waived guard Jim Farmer.

FOOTBALL

Dallas - Agreed to contract terms with quarterback Cliff Stoudt.

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(DEC. 25) UPI - President Bush sent a Christmas tmessage to the 280-thousand troops in Operation Desert Shield. Bush told the troops... ''When you come home, and we hope it's soon, you'll be welcomed as what you are- all- American heros.'' This Christmas in the United States, yellow ribbons that symbolize the troops abroad are almost as prevalent as red and green in some homes.

A Seattle church is offering sanctuary to soldiers who refuse to serve in the Persian Gulf. The University Baptist Church council passed a resolution offering sanctuary to members of the military... and will send it to the congregation's 100 members for a final vote January 13th. The Reverend Donovan Cook calls the move a ''genuine Christmas statement.''

A new Wisconsin lawmaker will be absent for the beginning of his term. Steve Naas of Whitewater will become a state legislator on Wednesday and a soldier on Friday. Naas... a Republican... was elected to the State Assembly on November 6th. But he's a staff sergeant in the Wisconsin Air National Guard and has been called to duty in the Persian Gulf.

Pan Am received a 20-Million-dollar cash infusion from United Airlines. But cash-strapped Pan Am declined to comment on a report that a deal for the Pan Am Shuttle could be in the offing. The report is that PacificCorp will buy Pan Am's shuttle routes for about 150-Million dollars.

El Salvador's rebels have declared a Christmas truce. But their declaration came after the government announced it would step up activity against the rebels during the holiday season. The Bush administration says it may resume military aid to the army of El Salvador because of intelligence reports that Salvadoran guerrillas are planning a new offensive.

A Christmas truce is under way in the Philippines. Government troops and communist guerrillas silenced their guns Christmas Eve. The insurgency in the Philippines is in its 21st year. Reports from army field commanders say the

truce appears to be holding across the 71- hundred islands in the Philippines.

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TOKYO (DEC. 25) UPI - Share prices drifted lower Tuesday in light Christmas trading. An absence of foreign investors and concern over Soviet and Middle East situations and the yen's weakness allowed the market to fall prey to arbitrage, brokers said.

The 225-share Nikkei average, the market's key indicator, dropped 351.72 points to finish at 23,767.88. The Nikkei had lost 405.34 points in the Tokyo market's last trading session Friday. Monday was a national holiday in Japan.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index, which lost 30.55 points Friday, slid another 39.65 points. TOPIX ended the day at 1,725.17.

Volume was extremely thin at an estimated 210 million shares. By comparison, trading Friday amounted to 351 million shares.

Foreign investors were largely absent due to the Christmas holiday, brokers said, while domestic investors were loathe to buy.

''The Soviet situation and the Middle East look more threatening now, '' said broker Yoichi Sasaki of Jardine Fleming (Securities).

''In addition, the dollar was slightly stronger today, discouraging buying,'' he said.

Trading was so light that the market was dominated by arbitraguers, who sold against futures contracts, brokers said.

Exchange-rate-sensitive shares such as energy-importing utilities lost.

Tokyo Electric Power fell 100 yen to 3,530.

Electronics exporters, who ordinarily benefit from the yen's weakness, also dropped. Sony lost 100 yen to end at 6,000, while TDK plunged 150 yen to 4,490.

Overall, declining shares outnumbered advancing ones by nearly 7:1.

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(DEC. 25) UPI - The nation's first family is at Camp David to celebrate Christmas. And across the country, families are gathering for celebrations. Despite being gathered with his family... President Bush met Monday with Defense Secretary Cheney and General Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint

Chiefs of Staff to hear what they learned during their just-completed trip to the Persian Gulf. Bush also had Christmas greetings broadcast to American troops.

Fire is raging through two companies in Canton, Ohio. Officials say the fire began Christmas Eve in the Ohio Bus Sales company, and spread to the United States Chemical and Plastics company. One fireman has a case of frostbite... but NO other injuries are reported.

Navy officials say an accident involving a plane and an aircraft- towing vehicle killed an airman at Whidbey Island Naval Air Station in Washington state. Military officials say the airman was pinned between the plane and towing vehicle.

Police in Dallas say a 22-year-old man who attacked six elderly people in a nursing home while carrying a Bible is believed to be a drug addict and possibly mentally ill. William Dudrow is being held on a burglary charge... and authorities say they may file more charges against him.

An accountant found guilty of taking about 100-thousand-dollars from Seattle's Valley View Christian Church has been sentenced to two years in prison. Pastors had to take pay cuts and monthly obligations to missionaries were curbed by the theft... which nearly caused the church to go bankrupt.

A resident of death row in Illinois wants to give taxpayers a Christmas present. Lloyd Wayne Hampton wants to be executed as soon as possible. The convicted killer of an elderly man in Troy says the automatic appeal process in Illinois requires taxpayers to support him for several years.

Children who attend a school where a lot of the latest Arnold Schwarzenegger movie was filmed WON'T get to preview the film. School officials who saw the film nixed taking all the children from Oregon's Astoria School to the movie because they say it includes UNnecessary nudity... excessive violence... and bad language. The movie title... ''Kindergarten Cop.''

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#90359u0098 12/25/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 25) UPI - Pope John Paul celebrated a joyous Christmas Eve midnight mass before more than 20-thousand worshipers in St. Peter's Basilica. The pope said an awareness of God's love is what the materialistic modern world most lacks.

President Bush is at his presidential retreat in the western Maryland mountains for the holidays. He is taking time out for briefings on developments in the Persian gulf where troops are on heightened alert.

Relatives and friends of U-S hostage Terry Anderson and British hostage John

McCarthy sent them messages of support on Christmas Eve urging them to keep morale high. The message was to be published by two leading Beirut newspapers.

Lebanese Prime Minister Omar Karami has formed a largely pro-Syrian 30-member Cabinet that includes rival militia leaders in an effort to prevent Lebanon's bloody 15-year civil war from starting anew.

The B-B-C says author Salman Rushdie has decided that his controversial novel ''The Satanic Verses'' will not be published in a paperback edition. Rushdie has been in hiding for nearly two years because of death threats due his his book.

The National Christmas Tree Association headquarters in Milwaukee expects a five percent jump in sales of Christmas treets this year, to a total of 36 Million trees. The scotch pine has been the most popular Christmas tree choice for the last several years.

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#90359u0135 12/25/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 25) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

It's a white Christmas for much of the nation. And a cold one. The frigid temperatures in the western two-thirds of the nation pushed through to the East Coast yesterday. At least two people died of exposure in Chicago, even though shelters for the homeless reported that hundreds of beds went UNused. Temperatures in Atlanta combined with high winds to make the wind-chill five degrees.

The cold weather even chilled California, where a freeze warning is in effect for San Franciso with lows in the 20's. The cold in Southern California caused major damage to the citrus, lettuce and avocado crops. Clark Briggs of the California Farm Bureau says it's the most extensive damage he's ever seen. He says produce prices will almost certainly increase because of the damage. A mountaineer climbed Bridal Veil Falls near Provo, Utah- the first time in anyone's memory that the falls have frozen solid.

President Bush and his family are at Camp David for Christmas. Bush took time out yesterday for briefings on developments in the Persian Gulf. A message he taped earlier was broadcast to the troops. Bush told the G-I's... ''We're in the gulf because the world must NOT reward aggression, because our vital interests are at stake and because of the brutality and danger of Saddam Hussein.''

Pope John Paul celebrated Christmas Eve midnight mass by proclaiming. .. ''Christ has been born to us.'' The pope was dressed in white and gold robes for the traditional mass. In Bethlehem, Latin Patriarch Michel Sabah told

faithful that peace was absent in the town of Jesus' birth. He was referring to the three-year-old Palestinian uprising.

A mother and daughter in Los Angeles are having their first Christmas together in eight years. Rosemary Levi's ex-husband kidnapped their daughter in a custody battle eight years ago. They reunited after a viewer who saw a television feature on the girl called officials.

An increase in thefts at service stations around Akron, Ohio, is being blamed on the higher gasoline prices that followed Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. In Bath Township, authorities say reports of gasoline being stolen are up four-fold.

The San Diego Zoo has lost one of its eldest residents. A 51-year-old elephant Maya, died last night after falling into a moat. Maya had been the matriarch of the San Diego zoo's five-elephant herd.

A woman in Rockford, Illinois, says what's fair for dogs is fair for cats. Laurie McClain wants Rockford to pass a law requiring cat owners to inoculate and license their pets. A kitten bit her daughter outside a day care center.

A tavern in Lakewood, Ohio, used a new gimmick to attract drinkers. Customers at the White Door Saloon were offered free gift wrapping during the weekend. Patrons were invited to sit down for a beer while bar employees wrapped their Christmas gifts.

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#90359u0156 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 25) UPI - The popular Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin said Tuesday he would vote against giving Mikhail Gorbachev the additional presidential powers he is seeking.

Yeltsin told reporters before Tuesday's meeting of the Congress of People's Deputies that he would oppose a government reorganization plan to give Gorbachev direct control of ministries because he feared ''the absolutization of power.''

''I feel that the center (central government) is anxious to leave the republics without rights as before,'' Yeltsin said. ''However, today orders and decrees from the center are landing on different soil, a democratic system.''

Yeltsin is currently the most popular politician in the Soviet Union, but it was unclear how much effect his opposition would have on a potential vote on constitutional amendments to give Gorbachev the new power.

Gorbachev's government reorganization plan has already been approved by the Supreme Soviet, the standing Parliament that meets between the Congress of

People's Deputies biannual sessions. Under current rules the Congress must also sanction all constitutional amendments.

A vote on the amendments was possible at the Tuesday afternoon session of the Congress, but there was a chance the issue would be once again postponed.

Rules of the Congress, set up by Gorbachev under perestroika as the supreme legislative body in the country, require two-thirds of the entire 2,250 members to approve amendments, a difficult threshold because of partial boycotts of the session by deputies from breakaway republics.

The registration of blocs of deputies at the Congress Tuesday gave some idea of the breakdown of sentiment. The conservative Soyuz bloc claimed 561 deputies, a coalition of centrist Communists had 730 members and the radical Interregional group said it had 229 deputies.

On Monday Gorbachev won easy approval for his plans for a national referendum on whether the country should remain intact and another popular vote on land ownership.

Earlier Monday deputies approved largely symbolic resolutions supporting the call for the country to remain intact, approving Gorbachev's idea for a new ''union treaty'' and retaining the country's name ''Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.''

On Tuesday the Congress reaffirmed its support for Gorbachev's draft of a union treaty, and defeated by a 933-419 vote with 266 abstentions a proposal to add a clause recognizing the declarations of sovereignty by nearly all of the Soviet republics.

The Congress ordered the Supreme Soviet to set a date for the vote ''to decide the question of maintaining a renewed union as a federation of sovereign Soviet socialist republics having equal rights, with a vote of each republic considered separately.''

The Baltic republics have already declared their independence from the Soviet Union and along with other separatists have opposed the idea of a referendum.

Even if the majority of a republic voted to secede, Gorbachev has said the republic would still need to follow a long and complicated process set by the central government before it would be allowed to leave the Soviet Union.

A poll taken last week by an arm of the Congress found that 52.7 percent of those questioned supported keeping the Soviet Union intact, but the survey did not include Lithuania, Latvia and Georgia, republics where independence sentiment is high.

The vote by the Congress to support Gorbachev's idea for a new union treaty

binding the 15 republics together and outlining significant powers for the central government still depends, however, on the agreement of each republic.

Several republics have already said they will refuse to sign the treaty or indicated they will demand that it include provisions unacceptable to Gorbachev. The breakaway Baltic republics as well as Armenia and Georgia are at least partially boycotting the Congress.

The order for a referendum on land ownership also faced a tough challenge. The huge Russian republic's legislature approved private ownership earlier this month and Yeltsin said the central government's call for a referendum ''brought into collision'' the Russian and central parliaments.

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BEIRUT (DEC. 25) UPI - Lebanon's hardcore Christian forces intended to form an opposition block against the newly-formed pro-Syrian cabinet and threatened to boycott the ''puppet'' government, political sources said Tuesday.

Samir Geagea's Christian Lebanese Forces militia and the Phalange Party of George Saadeh exerted behind-the-scene efforts to persuade Christian figures who were appointed cabinet members to boycott the ministerial council, the sources said.

The campaign started immediately after Prime Minister Omar Karami formed a cabinet of 15 Christians and 15 Moslems late Monday, the sources said. The majority of the appointed ministers were staunch pro- Syrian figures.

''We don't recognize this puppet cabinet,'' an official Lebanese Forces militia spokesman said, adding that Geagea would declare a formal stand against the new government at a news conference.

Geagea's organization and the Phalange were seeking to establish an opposition block against the government, the sources said.

The Beirut Ad-Diyar newspaper reported that Geagea recently told President Elias Hrawi that the new cabinet ''was a government of war.'' Geagea made the stand after receiving a draft of the cabinet formation, it said.

Geagea was named a minister of state, while Saadeh was appointed minister of telecommunications.

The mainly-Christian Maronite Phalange Party engaged in confrontations against Palestinian-backed Moslem forces when the civil war broke out in 1975. The Lebanese Forces militia, which originally emerged as the military wing of the Phalange, became stronger and rallied all Phalange fighters.

Losing the military manpower as a result of inter-Christian power struggles, the Phalange became a political gathering, while the Lebanese Forces militia grouped 10,000 armed supporters.

''The Phalange Party and the Lebanese Forces will not take part in the new cabinet,'' said Alfred Madi, a Phalange politburo member. ''We will find ways to express our opposition.''

Political observers said the Lebanese Forces militia was dismayed partly because it failed to win a larger share in the cabinet, and noted that the majority of the cabinet members were staunch pro-Syrian politicians.

Christian political sources said the Patriarch Nasrallah Sfair, Lebanon's highest Maronite authority, had also expressed dismay at the formation of the new cabinet. Both Geagea and Saadeh are Maronites.

On Monday, Karami said he included militia figures in the ministerial council to facilitate the dissolving of militia infrastructures.

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BEIJING (DEC. 25) UPI - The Chinese Communist Party's ruling central committee convened in private session Tuesday, striving to meet a Dec. 31 deadline to approve an fiscal blueprint that will guide China's economy through the end of the century.

The so-called plenary session apparently was convened during a formal - but secret - opening ceremony at the Great Hall of the People, the seat of China's government on central Tiananmen Square.

The party's leadership traveled Monday afternoon to an official retreat west of Beijing to continue the meeting, Western observers and Chinese sources said.

The state-run press carried no mention of the Communist Party plenum and Chinese officials would not comment on the meeting.

The meeting was expected to conclude Thursday with a speech by Communist Party General Secretary Jiang Zemin.

Plenary sessions, which typically go unreported until they conclude, are held on an as-needed basis to allow top communist leaders to approve promotions, firings and changes in government and party policies.

Premier Li Peng disclosed earlier this month that the plenum would be held in the latter half of December and said there would be only one topic on the agenda: China's economy.

The party and government face a pressing deadline for enacting a new economic plan, since China's so-called Seventh Five-Year Plan for economic development expires Dec. 31.

The Eighth Five-Year Plan has been hammered out in recent weeks and by unofficial accounts appears to be a a compromise between hard-line advocates of strict central planning and reformists who believe in pushing the frontiers of China's booming but ever-less-socialist market economy.

Most Western observers say the plan will offer little new and will hew closely to senior leader Deng Xiaoping's formula of gradual economic reform coupled with tight controls on political liberalization.

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#90359u0218 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

VATICAN CITY (DEC. 25) UPI - Pope John Paul II Tuesday made an emotional plea for the ''tormented nations of the Middle East'' and prayed for a peaceful solution to the dangerous Gulf crisis as he addressed the world from the Vatican's central balcony on Christmas Day.

Speaking to a crowd of up to 100,000 on a chilly, rainy morning in the Eternal City, the Polish pontiff also delivered a message of hope to the newly democratic nations of the former communist Eastern Europe, defended the rights of Palestinians and sent the world holiday greetings in 52 languages.

Aside from its traditional religious content concerning the ancient story of the birth of Christ, John Paul's ''Urbi et Orbi'' message (To the City and the World) dwelled on the deepening crisis in the Gulf following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait last August, which has brought the world to the brink of war.

''The light of Christ is with the tormented nations of the Middle East,'' John Paul said as he spoke from the central balcony of St. Peter's. ''For the area of the Gulf we await with trepidation for the threat of conflict to disappear.

''May leaders be convinced that war is an adventure with no return.''

Dressed in gold and white robes, the pope formulated his own recipe for saving the region from a bloody conflict between Iraq and the coalition of nations led by the United States which is determined to force Iraqi troops out of occupied Kuwait by Jan. 15.

''By reasoning, patience and dialogue, with the respect for the inalienable rights of peoples and nations, it is possible to identify and travel the paths of understanding and peace,'' John Paul said.

The pope said that the Holy Land ''has been awaiting this peace for years: a

peaceful solution to the whole question which concerns it, a solution which takes into account the legitimate expectations of the Palestinian people and of the people who live in the state of Israel.''

Pilgrims from all over the globe who gathered in St. Peter's Square for the Christmas morning message stood around a life-sized Nativity scene depicting the birth of Christ almost 2,000 years ago. Nearby stood a 60-foot tall decorated Christmas tree, its ornaments dripping from two days of steady rain.

In his message, John Paul said that the light of Christ ''is with the people of Europe above the tumbled walls,'' a reference to the Berlin Wall, which fell in autumn 1989, as the winds of freedom swept across Eastern Europe.

''Europe's future will be filled with wonderful spiritual vitality, if hedonism and practical materialism are overcome,'' the pope said, ''and also if the barriers which divide the followers of the redeemer are broken down.''

The pope, a frequent visitor to Africa, offered a special prayer for the continent, but warned that ''freedom is compromised because of underdevelopment, peace and harmony between different people and traditions are disrupted by fratricidal struggles.''

In a message which he has often repeated, John Paul made a plea for the planet and its delicate ecosystem. ''I call once again for a more just sharing of the earth's resources, a new and more just world ethical and economic order.''

The pope said he is seeking ''effective and repectful cooperation between the rich countries and the emerging peoples.''

''(Only this) can prevent the contrast between North and South from becoming a widening abyss which will increase the already vast and disturbing archipelago of poverty and death.''

John Paul uttered holiday greetings in languages including Bengali, Urdu, Senagalese, Georgian and Burundi.

Earlier Sunday, the pope celebrated holy mass inside St. Peter's, the largest church in the Christian world, before delivering his message from the balcony.

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#90359u0267 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 25) UPI - Christmas shoppers made their traditional last-minute raids on stores Christmas Eve to finish off their shopping before joining their families for presents, caroling, religious services or acts of holiday charity.

Saudi Arabia's King Fahd said in a speech yesterday that the kingdom has NOT decided whether Kuwait will be restored through peace or by war. Fahd said

it's possible that there will be a war, but only if there is NO other alternative.

20 sailors from the U-S-S Saratoga who were killed in a ferry boat accident off the coast of Israel were honored as ''peacemakers'' and ''the sons of God'' yesterday as their bodies arrived at Dover Air Force Base in Delaware.

Japan's National Police Agency says the death toll from traffic accidents in Japan is expected to hit a 15-year high of about 11- thousand-170 in 1990. The agency said deaths in traffic accidents stood at 10-thousand-943 as of yesterday... an increase of 82 over last year.

President Bush has declared that a major disaster exists in Guam, making federal funds available to the Pacific island territory as it struggles to recover from damage done last week by Typhoon Russ.

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(DEC. 25) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque pc	21	03	....
Anchorage sn	34	30	.13
Asheville sy	62	14	....
Atlanta sy	43	20	....
Baltimore sy	65	19	.02
Billings pc	25	-5	.15
Birmingham pc	32	18	....
Bismarck pc	23	-15	....
Boston sy	60	23	.08
Brownsville cy	49	41	....
Buffalo snsh	28	12	.04
Burlingtn Vt. pc	36	13	.12
Charlestn S.C. sy	70	38	....
Charlotte sy	65	24	....
Chicago sn	16	12	....
Cincinnati pc	21	11	....
Cleveland mc	27	03	....
Columbus Oh pc	23	09	....
Dallas pc	40	25	....
Denver pc	37	05	....
Des Moines sn	25	19	....
Detroit mc	18	03	....
Duluth w	04	-9	.02
El Paso sy	43	18	....
Evansville pc	20	06	....
Fargo pc	14	-14	.03

Hartford sy	59	19	.29
Honolulu sh	79	63	.09
Houston pc	41	26	....
Indianapolis pc	13	04	....
Jackson Mss. pc	34	19	....
Jacksonville sy	71	31	....
Kansas City pc	29	17	....
Las Vegas sy	39	18	....
Little Rock pc	31	20	....
Los Angeles sy	65	43	....
Louisville sy	19	12	....
Memphis pc	28	17	....
Miami Beach pc	78	68	....
Milwaukee sn	17	11	....
Minneapolis w	154	00	....
Nashville pc	25	11	....
New Orleans pc	34	30	....
New York sy	63	22	.44
Oklahoma City f	39	22	....
Omaha cy	26	13	...
Orlando sy	76	42	...
Philadelphia sy	64	20	.01
Phoenix f	57	34	....
Pittsburgh pc	34	08	.01
Portland Me. sy	46	20	.69
Portland Or. cy	26	19	.03
Providence sy	60	21	.16
Richmond sy	67	22	....
St. Louis pc	19	14	....
Salt Lak Cty sn	11	06	.03
San Antonio mc	43	26	....
San Diego sy	62	41	....
San Francisc sy	51	36	....
San Juan sy	81	66	....
Seattle sn	31	29	....
Spokane sn	14	-2	.04
Tampa sy	72	40	.10
Washington sy	65	20	....
Wichita sn	26	04	....

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(DEC. 25) UPI - Inside tents scattered across the Saudi desert, U-S Army

infantrymen, Air Force fighter pilots, Marine special forces and Coast Guard reservists are celebrating Christmas today. Coast Guard Petty Officer 3rd Class Lynn Oberkrieser of Buffalo, New York, summed of the feelings of the men and women serving in the Gulf by saying ''It's the time of year I'm always with my family. I never dreamed how much I would miss them.''

Two dozen National Guard members from Minnesota received their marching orders in their Christmas stockings yesterday. Eight members of the 109th Aeromedical Evacuation Flight will go on active duty tomorrow. .. and will be deployed in Saudi Arabia by January 2nd. The remaining 20 members of the unit are slated to be activated January 2nd... with deployment scheduled one week later. The guard members will staff ground hospitals for patients flown in from the front lines.

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#90359u0307 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (DEC. 25) UPI - A fugitive coup leader vowed Tuesday that mutinous soldiers would ''vigorously pursue'' their quest to topple President Corazon Aquino and appealed for the support of the Filipino people.

Former army Col. Gregorio Honasan made his statement four days after government troops foiled a rebel attempt to blow up fighter jets at a major air base supposedly to signal the start of a seventh coup try.

Authorities placed special combat units in the capital and strategic provinces

north and south of Manila on heightened alert to thwart a possible uprising. Coup rumors have swept the capital since last week.

Military sources, who declined to be named, said Tuesday that Honasan, a key figure in the Dec. 1-9, 1989, coup attempt that nearly ousted Aquino, was sighted three times this month in the capital's financial district. The government has posted a $178,000 for his capture.

''You have sustained and nurtured us over the past years with your unyielding support and your unceasing prayers,'' said Honasan in a statement sent to news agencies. Honasan also led a failed coup attempt in August 1987.

''In return, we have consistently renewed and pursued our commitment to you, our people, to vigorously pursue the unfinished revolution of our forefathers to swiftly avert further violence inflicted on you through vindictiveness, infefficiency, ignorance and injustice.''

The elusive Honasan offered to ''serve as an instrument in our long delayed quest for good government.''

Honasan apparently was attempting to rally the support of Filipinos suffering from a series of natural calamities, left-wing and right-wing threats and the impact of the Persian Gulf crisis.

Critics have accused Aquino of ''lack of leadership and incompetence'' in dealing with the crises.

Honasan said Filipinos were paying the price for not having supported the previous attempts to overthrow Aquino and instead ''chose to heed and lay our hopes on empty promises, grand deceptions and outright lies.''

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MOSCOW (DEC. 25) UPI - The Congress of People's Deputies gave preliminary approval Tuesday to parts of Mikhail Gorbachev's government reorganization, but the president was forced to abandon plans for a new super agency to ensure his decrees were carried out.

The Congress went through Gorbachev's proposed constitutional amendments article by article at its Tuesday afternoon session, agreeing by overwhelming votes to plans for a vice president and a streamlined Cabinet.

But by early evening there had been no action on the most controversial items, those that would give Gorbachev direct control over the new Cabinet of Ministers and other substantial new direct powers.

In one concession to fears of abuse of the new powers, Gorbachev said because

of opposition he was withdrawing his proposal to create a ''Supreme Control Chamber,'' an agency that would have placed representatives around the country to ensure that presidential decrees are fulfilled.

''The president will consult with his constitutional advisers and come up with another organ of control,'' Gorbachev said with a smile on his face when he withdrew the proposal.

Popular Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin said before the debate Tuesday he opposed giving Gorbachev additional presidential control, saying the Soviet leader may already have too much power.

Gorbachev defended his request for the reoganization and its additional powers as necessary to get the country out of its current crisis.

''Life is so rocky now, we see that power must be made more effective or else processes can take on a destructive character,'' Gorbachev told reporters outside the Congress of People's Deputies, which he set up under perestroika as the government's supreme legislative body.

Yeltsin said before Tuesday's meeting of the Congress that he would vote against Gorbachev's proposed reorganization because he feared ''the absolutization of power.''

''One man already has enough powers, what he has today is already risky,'' Yeltsin told a correspondent for the independent Interfax news agency.

''I feel that the center (central government) is anxious to leave the republics without rights as before,'' Yeltsin said. ''However, today orders and decrees from the center are landing on different soil, a democratic system.''

Gorbachev's government reorganization plan had already been approved by the Supreme Soviet, the standing Parliament that meets between the Congress of People's Deputies biannual sessions. Under current rules the Congress must also sanction all constitutional amendments.

The registration of blocs of deputies at the Congress Tuesday gave some idea of the breakdown of sentiment. The conservative Soyuz bloc claimed 561 deputies, a coalition of centrist Communists had 730 members and the radical Interregional group said it had 229 deputies.

On Monday Gorbachev won easy approval for his plans for a national referendum on whether the country should remain intact and another popular vote on land ownership.

Earlier Monday deputies approved largely symbolic resolutions supporting the call for the country to remain intact, approving Gorbachev's idea for a new

''union treaty'' and retaining the country's name ''Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.''

On Tuesday the Congress reaffirmed its support for Gorbachev's draft of a union treaty, and defeated by a 933-419 vote with 266 abstentions a proposal to add a clause recognizing the declarations of sovereignty by nearly all of the Soviet republics.

The Congress ordered the Supreme Soviet to set a date for the vote ''to decide the question of maintaining a renewed union as a federation of sovereign Soviet socialist republics having equal rights, with a vote of each republic considered separately.''

The Baltic republics have already declared their independence from the Soviet Union and along with other separatists have opposed the idea of a referendum.

Even if the majority of a republic voted to secede, Gorbachev has said the republic would still need to follow a long and complicated process set by the central government before it would be allowed to leave the Soviet Union.

A poll taken last week by an arm of the Congress found that 52.7 percent of those questioned supported keeping the Soviet Union intact, but the survey did not include Lithuania, Latvia and Georgia, republics where independence sentiment is high.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 25) UPI - A man returning home with holiday presents for his wife was shot by two robbers on Christmas Eve and died Christmas day authorities said.

Berhane Waldermarian, 31, was accosted outside his building shortly before 11 p.m. Monday as he was returning with Christmas packages.

Waldermarian put down the packages and as he was doing so, one of the robbers, armed with a shotgun, shot him in the stomach, said spokesman Fred Weiner said. The robbers fled without taking any of the presents, authorities said.

Waldermarian, who was married but childless, died at 12:35 a.m. Christmas Day at St. John's Hospital.

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DUBLIN, TEXAS (UPI)) - Two lively babies adopted four months ago in stark Romanian orphanages made Christmas a new experience for a Texas couple.

''I used to say, 'Maybe we'll have a baby next Christmas,''' Stacey Disney said, recalling the loneliness of some past holidays.

The two new arrivals, an 11-month-old son and a 7-month-old daughter, have changed all that this holiday season.

The babies also received a special gift. A notebook with an account of how their parents rescued them and videotapes of their homecomings and the ABC news program that first brought the Disneys' attention to their plight.

''We're putting everything in there, so when they're older, they'll know everything about where they came from,'' Ben Disney said.

When Cameron Garrett Nicolae Disney arrived in the United States on Oct. 8, he weighed 18 pounds. He now is a sturdily built, blue-eyed blond who weighs 26 pounds.

Laura, who weighed only 2 1/2 pounds at birth, is up to 16 pounds - 4 pounds more than when she arrived in Texas. Then, the dark-haired, brown-eyed girl couldn't sit up, couldn't grasp things and didn't smile. Before the adoption, Laura had never been turned onto her stomach in her crib, Stacey Disney said.

Laura sat in front of the family's Christmas tree, chattering, grabbing blocks and laughing at a tickling from her mother.

''Laura's the one I'm most proud of, as far as progress. She's changed dramatically. In a matter of days, we could see a difference. I think it's been due to diet, attention and a steady routine,'' Ben Disney said.

Disney is minister of First United Methodist Church of Dublin, a town of 2,850 about 75 miles southwest of Fort Worth.

The couple, both 33, had been trying to adopt locally but changed their minds after they saw an ABC 20/20 report early this year. It reported the plight of the Romanian babies, many in orphanages. Several of the babies gazed glassy-eyed into the news cameras, suffering from malnutrition, disease and neglect.

Many of the babies were born during the reign of Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu, who was executed in December 1989. In an effort to increase his nation's population, Ceausescu had halted birth control and abortions while ordering women of childbearing age to have at least five children. A 20/20 story that aired Friday said that about 1,000 of the estimated 130,000 babies and children in Romanian institutions have been adopted by Americans.

Ben Disney found Cameron in one of the better-maintained orphanages, which had 300 babies and about 10 staff workers.

Laura, whose Romanian name is Alina, was in an orphanage where staff members did not allow Disney inside the nursery, so he couldn't tell what conditions there were like.

''Every once in a while, you look at them and remember where they came from and what you went through to get them,'' Ben Disney said. ''I don't want to hurry them, but I want to see them grow up and see how they turn out.''

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MOSCOW (DEC. 25) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev said Tuesday Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze had the right to speak out as he did in his resignation speech and said the two men remained friends and would likely continue to work together.

Gorbachev, speaking to reporters during a break at the Congress of People's Deputies, said that while he was stunned and upset by Shevardnadze's surprise announcement at the conclave last week, it ''does not change anything in our relations.''

''I consider Mr. Shevardnadze a person who has done a lot for perestroika and will still do a lot,'' Gorbachev said. ''The question of where and how still remains.

''For the time being I told him to fulfill his obligations (as foreign minister). While the Congress is still going on, we will sort everything out.''

Gorbachev did not elaborate on any possible plans he might have for Shevardnadze. The Congress is scheduled to end Thursday.

Shevardnadze shocked Gorbachev and the world last week by announcing at the Congress that he was resigning to protest against reactionary conservative forces he said were pushing the country toward a dictatorship.

''Mr. Shevardnadze has the right to react to all these processes,'' Gorbachev said. ''Now we all have the right to speak out. Before (glasnost) we did not have this right ... he could have kept quiet but he spoke up.''

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 25) UPI - Defense Minister Moshe Arens denied Tuesday the Israeli military had heightened its state of alert in recent days and advised Israelis to view the Persian Gulf crisis in a proper perspective.

Arens' comments came in reaction to reports on Army Radio and in Israeli newspapers Tuesday. During an early morning Army Radio program, one

commentator described the state of alert of the Israeli army and air force as the closest thing to pre-war preparations the country had seen in a long time.

''We didnt receive any significant signs which would lead us to conclude that the situation changed,'' Arens said. ''There is a crisis, there is a possibility if you want of danger of war in the region.

''But in this stage in the last few days we don't have any change,'' Arens said after meeting with the parliament's defense and foreign affairs committee.

Arens denied Israel had increased its readiness in recent days, saying ''we are ready since the start of the crisis.'' Army Radio reported he told the parliamentary committee there was no need to panic and ''one has to see the crisis in its right proportion.''

''We believe these reports (by the Israeli media) are being vastly exaggerated and even blown out of proportion,'' one Israeli military source said. ''It's clear that these types of reports can create an atmosphere which is misleading for Israel because everything here is business as usual.

''The Israeli air force all year round is on a certain state of alert for potential enemies. Since the beginning of the crisis, it has heightened its state of alert,'' the military source said, but added no other changes had occurred recently.

On Monday, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said he believed the possibility of war in the Persian Gulf was higher than at any other time since Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2. But Shamir urged Israelis not to worry, saying the Israeli military was ''ready and prepared.''

In an oft-repeated statement by Israeli leaders, Shamir also warned that if Israel were attacked, its military would respond with greater force than that used against the country.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said on Spanish television this weekend that Tel Aviv would be his first target if Iraq were attacked, even if Israel was not part of the U.S.-led military coalition against him.

The military source played down the report and said the military did not ''feel any need to press the panic button.'' He said he believed the media reports arose Tuesday because of anticipation and tension in advance of the Jan. 15 deadline set by the U.N. Security Council for Saddam Hussein to remove his Iraqi troops from Kuwait or face military force by the U.S.-led coalition.

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(DEC. 25) UPI - 250 Million people in 50 countries on five continents watched

on television as Pope John Paul celebrated a joyous Christmas Eve midnight Mass. Today, in his traditional Christmas message, the pope made an emotional plea for what he called the ''tormented nations of the Middle East'' and prayed for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

Russian republic leader Boris Yeltsin is opposing Mikhail Gorbachev's attempts to get more power. Yeltsin told reporters today before a meeting of the Congress of People's Deputies that-in his words- ''orders and decrees from the center are landing on different soil, a democratic system.''

Australians celebrated Christmas Day free of fear of natural disasters. Officials say Cyclone Joy has weakened and is moving away from the coast, allowing thousands of people to travel today.

In New South Wales State where bushfires have raged for three days, firefighters are now in control and are mopping up the fires, or allowing them to burn out. Police say there will be NO traditional barbecues for Christmas.

Fugitive Philippine coup leader ex-army Colonel Gregorio Honasan vowed today that mutinous soldiers will ''vigorously pursue'' their quest to topple President Corazon Aquino. He appealed for the support of the Filipino people.

An earthquake measured at four-point-eight on the Richter scale struck Manila and nearby provinces today, but caused no damage or injuries.

In Singapore today, disc jockeys interspered Christmas carols and rock tunes with the newest hit on the charts- an AIDS song asking, ''Do you really want to cast your life in danger?'' The song titled ''Save the Day,'' has reached number-four on the city's pop charts.

Snow covered the ground this Christmas day in most of the northern third of the nation and more was falling in the upper Midwest and Plains states. An arctic cold front sent the wind chill as low as minus 60 in some areas.

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VATICAN CITY (DEC. 25) UPI - A small bomb exploded early Tuesday within sight of St Peter's Basilica just hours before the pope delivered his Christmas Day message and caused minor damage to an American military club and Vatican radio headquarters, police said.

Officials said that the rudimentary black powder device, believed by experts to be composed mainly of gunpowder, went off around 2 a.m. on Christmas Day.

Bomb squad investigators said that the explosion broke two plate glass windows at the United Services Organization, a social club open only to American military personnel, and caused minor damage at the offices of nearby Vatican

radio.

No injuries were reported.

Scene of the blast was the Via di Conciliazione, the broad, Mussolini-designed avenue that runs from the River Tiber to St. Peter's.

The attack, for which police said Tuesday that they still have no clues, came less than 12 hours before Pope John Paul II delivered his Christmas ''Urbi et Orbi'' message to the world from the central Vatican balcony, 1,500 feet away.

Investigators said that they believed that the USO was the prime target, but that the attackers placed the device nearby in the doorway of a music hall when positioning it at the American club's front door proved too difficult.

A 1988 car bomb attack in Naples outside another USO club by a Japanese terrorist gang killed five people and injured several passers- by.

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(DEC. 25) UPI - Pope John Paul delivered his annual Christmas message and blessing today to a crowd of 100-thousand people gathered on a chilly, rainy morning in Vatican City. The pope made a plea for a peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis, saying ''May leaders be convinced that war is an adventure with NO return.'' He also said ''The light of Christ is with the tormented nations of the Middle East.''

A pre-dawn Christmas fire swept a single-family house in Columbus, Ohio, today killing at least five people, including two children. Officials say two women one man and a girl were found dead at the scene, and the fifth, a boy, was pronounced dead at the hospital. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

The Dutch news agency says military forces have seized power in the South American nation of Suriname, ousting an 18-month- old civilian government in a bloodless coup. The acting commander of Suriname's armed forces announced the military takeover on television, saying an interim government will be formed to lead the country until free elections sometime before April 1991.

President Bush may NOT have heard what he wanted to during a three- hour meeting yesterday with Secretary of Defense Cheney and General Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The two have just returned from five days in the Gulf. A published report today says Cheney and Powell told Bush that American troops would not be ready to attack Iraq until at least mid-February.

The Christmas Eve telephone calls came from Uncle Sam... not Santa Claus... when 300 members of a Texas Army National Guard unit based at San Antonio were

told to get ready to report for Operation Desert Shield duty. The notice from the governor's office yesterday said the 217th Evacuation Hospital guard unit would be mobilized for active duty two days after Christmas in response to the continued U-S military buildup in the Persian Gulf.

The New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans in Boston will serve Christmas dinner for 200 vets today. Shelter spokesman Ken Smith says there will be a present for each of the guests at the early afternoon meal. President Bush cited the shelter earlier this year as one of his ''points of light'' ... for its volunteer efforts to help the homeless.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 25) UPI - Findings released Tuesday cast doubt on the much-publicized discovery of a gene linked to severe alcoholism, but scientists who conducted the original research insist their discovery is solid.

Government researchers said their study of 40 alcoholics and 127 other patients did not find widespread or consistent ties between alcoholism and a type of gene known as the dopamine-2, or D-2, receptor gene.

''Even though we have not found a linkage to this particular gene, it is wrong to conclude that there is not a genetic influence in alcoholism. What this tells us is that we may have a long way to go to identify the specific gene or genes,'' said Dr. David Goldman of the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, who led the study.

Pinpointing the gene or genes associated with alcoholism could lead to better ways to identify people at risk of becoming alcoholics, as well as a greater understanding of the underlying causes of the disease, which in turn could lead to new treatments and preventive measures.

In April, a team headed by Dr. Ernest Noble, director of the University of California-Los Angeles Alcohol Research Center, reported that the D-2 receptor gene was present in the brains of nearly 70 percent of 35 people who died of alcohol-related illness, compared to just 20 percent of deceased non-alcoholics.

That finding, published in the Journal of the American Medical Association, represented the first reported link between a particular gene and alcoholism, although there has been a growing body of evidence suggesting that heredity plays a role in the disorder.

Scientists think dopamine - a brain chemical - could be associated with ''pleasure seeking'' that allows alcohol to stimulate brain cells in a way that results in a sense of enjoyment. A defect in the D-2 receptor gene may interfere with the dopamine response so people who have the gene need to drink

more alcohol than other people to get the same pleasurable effect.

However, Goldman and his colleagues said their work failed to uncover any strong tie between the D-2 receptor gene and susceptibility to alcoholism.

''Close linkage of the (dopamine) gene to alcoholism was ruled out,'' the NIAAA researchers wrote in their study, also published in JAMA.

The conflicting results indicate ''there is either a subgroup of alcoholics that have mutation in the D-2 receptor gene'' or that Noble's finding represents a statistical fluke, Goldman said.

However, Noble said some of results of the new study could be interpreted to support his original findings.

The new study showed the type of D-2 receptor gene that Nobel identified was more common in severe alcoholics, with about 45 percent having the gene, he said. In contrast, only about 30 percent of moderate alcoholics had the gene. That supports the likelihood that the gene plays a role in severe alcoholism, he said.

Goldman countered that the difference between the two groups was insignificant but added it did provide ''a hint of hope'' that the gene may be somehow tied to alcoholism.

Noble also objected to the government scientists' method of screening for alcoholics. The researchers used a ''very crude'' test, consisting of yes-or-no questionnaire, to determine if a person was an alcoholic and how severe the problem was, he said. Many severe alcoholics deny their problem on such tests, he noted. Furthermore, patients with severe alcohol-related disease - like cirrhosis of the liver - were excluded from the study.

To back up his conviction that the D-2 receptor gene plays a role in severe alcoholism, Noble noted that his recent tests of living, severe alcoholics ''have confirmed our original findings.''

Although most of the estimated 18 million alcoholics in America are not the severe type, Noble said such alcoholics make up a disproportionate share of patients suffering from severe alcohol-related disease or undergoing alcoholism treatment.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 25) UPI - Programs aimed at preventing teenage suicides may be ineffective or may even make the problem worse, researchers reported Tuesday.

A study involving 973 ninth- and 10th-graders found suicide- prevention

programs in schools appeared often to produce negative reactions, especially among those most prone to suicide - the students who had attempted suicide.

''The attempters' reactions to the programs were generally more negative than those of the non-attempters,'' wrote researchers led by David Shaffer of Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York.

''Attempters exposed to programs were significantly less likely to recommend that the programs be presented to other students and significantly more likely to indicate that talking about suicide in classroom makes some kids more likely to kill themselevs,'' they said in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

The study involved 524 students who were exposed to a program at school aimed at preventing suicide, including 35 students who said they had made at least one suicide attempt, and 449 students who did not go through such a program, including 28 who had attempted suicide.

Of those who attempted suicide, 74 percent thought other students should participate in the programs, compared to 89 percent of those who had not attempted suicide.

About 27 percent of those who had attempted suicide thought the program would actually increase the chance that some students would kill themselves, compared to only about 11 percent of those who had not attempted suicide.

When the researchers compared 35 students who had attempted suicide and were exposed to the program to 28 students who had attempted suicide but had not been exposed to the program, they found that ''program exposure did not significantly influence attempters' deviant attitudes.''

In an editorial accompanying the study, Dr. Susan Blumenthal of the National Institutes of Mental Health said the findings were ''an important contribution'' to research evaluating suicide prevention programs, and indicated more study was needed.

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#90359u0398 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA (DEC. 25) UPI - Troops from 27 nations allied against Iraq celebrated Christmas with muted merriment Tuesday, singing carols, feasting on turkey and lining up for phone calls home, but keeping their guns loaded.

Mindful of Saudi Arabia's acute sensitivity to public displays of worship by all other religions but Islam, military leaders ordered all Christmas lights, Bibles and even Santa kept inside mess tents and canvas chapels.

Comedian Bob Hope said nobody could stop him from showing up for Christmas after 41 years of entertaining the troops, but the Saudi authorities were not shy about refusing visas to actress Brooke Shields and singers Janet Jackson and Paula Abdul.

Christmas trees, flown over from the United States, were acceptable as long as their trimmings were not overtly religious. In several base camps where U.S. and Saudi troops serve side by side, the gaily decorated shrubs tended to attract curiosity of Arab soldiers who had lived in the desert all their lives.

''They came up and asked us if there really are trees like that in the United States? We told them that's what's known as a conifer'' said Coast Guard Cmdr. Scott McComb, whose port security unit from Buffalo, N.Y., patrols the Saudi shores of the Persian Gulf.

The lessons were kept suitably vague, however, when it came to theological discussions.

''We don't talk about our God or Christ,'' said McComb. ''But we do tell them it's a celebration. It's a family time and a time to celebrate. We shared some Christmas cookies with them.''

Inside the tents, however, U.S. troops attended midnight mass, held Gospel readings, sang carols and ate traditional Christmas meals, which resembled, but did not exactly taste like back home.

''It's a nice try, but I sure miss my mom's cooking,'' said Pfc. Benjamin Lima 19, working on a plate piled high with turkey, potatoes, gravy, cranberry sauce, pecan pie and Snickers bars. The egg nog, in keeping with Moslem restrictions, was non-alcoholic and few soldiers were interested.

Lima, who comes from the Bensonhurst section of Brooklyn, N.Y., said he planned to tell his parents ''how weird this place is. I never understood why freedom of religion was so important before.''

Scattered across the desert, troops scattered across the barren Saudi terrain from more than two dozen nations celebrated Christmas in their own style.

British troops performed skits satirizing their commanding officers, while French soldiers stewed over the absence of wine and the cancellation of their singing star, Eddy Mitchell, whose visa denial created a diplomatic row.

Spaniards, Canadians, Egyptians, Australians and thousands of other troops from the allied armies all managed to celebrate Christmas, but thoughts tended to drift towards home and holidays past.

Wherever possible, the U.S. military tried to give soldiers access to telephones to speak with their wives and families, with lines backing up for

hours in hotel lobbies and military compounds.

But despite the holiday, whether in combat fatigues or shorts and T- shirts, the soldiers wore their chemical suits folded in little pouches hanging from their belts and kept their weapons loaded.

''You never know when Saddam Hussein is going to strike.'' said Lima. ''It could even happen on Christmas.''

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#90359u0419 12/25/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 25) UPI - Many of the multinational troops deployed in the Gulf celebrated Christmas in the Moslem region today. The recognition of any religion other than Islam in Saudi Arabia is forbidden, but the country has been tolerant of such holiday manifestations as Christmas trees and Santa Clauses for the foreign troops, celebrating the Christian holiday far from home.

Leaders of the conservative Gulf Co-operation Council conclude their four-day summit in Qatar today. Gulf sources say the leaders of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates and Oman are still trying to agree whether to hold talks with Iraq on its occupation of Kuwait, a member state. The council is expected to release a final communique today, renewing the call for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

The Chinese Communist Party's ruling central committee convened in private session today. Members are working to meet a December 31st deadline to approve a fiscal blueprint that will guide China's economy through the end of the century. The meeting is expected to conclude Thursday with a speech by Communist Party General Secretary Jiang Zemin .

10-thousand supporters of Taiwan's main opposition party marched through Taipei today to call for a package of reforms including independence from China. Earlier, President Lee Teng Hui announced that he wuuld lift an emergency decree which he said would pave the way for unification. Lee said the decreee would be lifted by the end of May.

Two Boston men have been ordered held on five-thousand dollars bail each on charges of stealing nearly 100 Christmas presents from cars parked at shopping malls. Steven O'Neil and George McNelley of Boston's Charlestown section were arrested Saturday night. Police say they found more than three-thousand dollars worth of merchandise in their van, including stereos, toys and golf clubs. Many of the gifts were already wrapped. State police say most of the presents have already been reclaimed by their owners.

A Pittsburgh expert on child behavior says many of today's toys give children the message that it's fun to kill and injure the human body. Doctor Joseph

Strayhorn of Allegheny General Hospital says such toys have become the norm. He says there is evidence that children engage in more acts of aggression when they play with toys linked with violence.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 25) UPI - KGB chairman Vladimir Kryuchkov said Tuesday his weekend speech warning of foreign economic sabotage had been misunderstood and vowed the Soviet Union will not return to the Cold War era of denunciations.

''It is impossible to return to the past, in the Soviet Union or abroad,'' Kryuchkov said at a news conference. ''If someone wanted to try to return to the past in the Soviet Union he would fail miserably.''

''We have entered a new stage of life in the U.S.S.R, and we are not going to reverse it. Our course is only forward toward renewal and development.''

Kryuchkov, whose speech Saturday to the Congress of People's Deputies was widely seen as a return to Cold War rhetoric, all but conceded the news conference was called because of the denunciation of his remarks in the West.

''They did not understand me correctly,'' Kryuchkov said. ''They should analyze the core of my speech.''

In the KGB chief's speech Saturday, he warned that the CIA and other unspecified foreign forces were trying to ''impose doubtful ideas and plans'' on the Soviet Union and charged that some foreign businessmen take actions ''that are in essence similar to economic sabotage.''

The U.S. State Department Monday denounced Kryuchkov's charges as ''completely unfounded and inaccurate'' and said the United States was concerned ''that such a senior official would use such outdated and inflammatory rhetoric.''

''As for the reaction to my speech, it would be strange if everybody received it in the same way: with stormy applause,'' he said. ''There is different understanding in Western countries of the processes of our country. There is apprehension, there is hope and we understand it well.''

Asked about the charge that foreign businessmen were sabotaging the Soviet economy, Kryuchkov simply responded, ''Look, there are (foreign) firms and there are firms, there are joint ventures and there are joint ventures.''

''There are some firms that I would recommend against having anything to do with.''

Kryuchkov did not explain the remark but seemed to be implying that some foreign firms doing business in the Soviet Union are connected with foreign

intelligence services.

He was asked whether ''it was not strange'' that while foreign aid was pouring into the country, he spoke of foreign interference and economic sabotage. ''Paradoxical rather than strange,'' he said.

Kryuchkov said that in the event of the declaration direct rule from Moscow in various region, the KGB would carry out its role within the limits of the constitution.

Asked about the large numbers of Soviet citizens emigrating from the country, Kryuchkov called it ''anguishing'' and said some 440,000 left in 1990. ''I don't believe the number will be less in 1991,'' he said.

He said in answer to a question that Eduard Shevardnadze's resignation as foreign minister ''suprised him.'' He said he was on good terms with Shevardnadze and worked with him in Afghanistan on the pullout of Soviet troops two years ago.

Asked about Shevardnadze's charges that a right-wing dictatorship looms, he said the KGB is of course concerned about developments, and and has worked out various scenarios. ''Our task is not to allow any of them to happen,'' he said.

When asked if he thought Mikhail Gorbachev might be moving to the right in his politics, Kryuchkov said, ''Gorbachev is always moving in the right direction.'' He seemed pleased when the remark brought laughs.

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(DEC. 25) UPI - Military forces seized power in the South American nation of Suriname, ousting an 18-month-old civilian government in a bloodless coup.

In Washington, the State Department said the American Embassy in Paramaribo confirmed the military takeover. State Department spokeswoman Sondra McCarty issued a statement condemning ''this violation of constitutional order in Suriname.''

Radio reports in neighboring Brazil said all communiations with Suriname were cut after Gen. Ivan Graanoogst, acting commander of Suriname's armed forces, announced the coup over the government owned television station Monday night.

The government apparently offered no resistance to Graanoogst's action and there was no bloodshed.

Graanoogst announced that an interim government would be formed to run the country until national elections could be held within the next 100 days.

The overthrow came one week after the head of the armed forces and former military ruler of the former Dutch colony, Desi Bouterse, resigned his post in protest over his temporary detention in Amsterdam.

The coup overthrew the 18-month-old civilian government of President Rameswak Shankar, of the Hindu-backed Progressive Reform Party, who was elected by the National Assembly Jan. 12, 1988. Shankar's whereabouts were unknown.

Shankar's administration had replaced the military government led by the Bouterse, a Netherlands-trained lieutenant colonel who seized power Feb. 25, 1980 to depose the civilian regime of Prime Minister Henck Arron.

Bouterse lost an election to Shankar in 1987.

Ongoing friction between the two men came to a head last week when Dutch police temporarily detained Bouterse in Amsterdam during an airline stop en route to Ghana, and Shankar, who was on the same plane, refused to intervene.

Bouterse subsequently resigned as chief of the armed forces in protest.

The State Department said it saw no immediate threat or danger to American citizens.

''We condemn this violation of constitutional order in surinam,'' the statement said. ''This action at a time when the entire hemisphere is moving toward democracy will only further isolate Suriname from the international community to the detriment of the Surinamese people. We call on the Surinamese military to restore power immediately to the democratically elected authorities of that country.''

Although Bouterse has not headed the government in 18 months, he has continued to exert a strong influence over developments in the country.

Graanoogst's position remained unclear, but observers said he appeared to be acting in the interests of Bouterse.

Bouterse and Shankar had been locked in a dispute over the terms of a 1989 peace treaty with Surinamese Bushnegro rebels, which gave the ethnic group semi-police powers and permitted them to carry weapons.

Until 1989, the Bushnegro Jungle Command, under the leadership of defected army officer Ronny Brunswijk, had been engaged in a war with Bouterse's forces that lasted three years and claimed more than 500 lives.

Communications with Suriname following the reported coup Monday night appeared to have been cut off, and repeated attempts to contact the Paramaribo, the capital of the former Dutch colony, were unsuccessful.

The tiny tropical nation, which gained its independence from the Netherlands on Nov. 25, 1975, lies on the coast of South America's Atlantic shoulder, bordered by Guyana to the west, French Guiana to the east and Brazil to the south.

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#90359u0497 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 25) UPI - Americans celebrated Christmas with traditional feasts and festivies across the nation Tuesday while in Saudi Arabia their menfolk struggled to preserve the holiday spirit midst war preparations in the desert sands.

A slow Christmas shopping season did not dampen the spirit of most Americans as they joined their families for holiday meals, caroling, religious services and acts of charity, but thousands of others, needy and hungry huddled in the bitter cold gripping most of the country.

The possibility of war with Iraq clouded Christmas for the family and friends of the 280,000 American military personnel in the Persian Gulf. Yellow ribbons - symbolizing the troops abroad - were mingled with red and green ones in some households.

In the sands of eastern Saudo Arabia, American troops dug in against Iraq celebrated Christmas with quiet merriment, singing carols, feasting on turkey, lining up for the all-important phone calls home - and keeping their guns loaded.

Because of Saudi Arabia's sensitivity to public displays of worship by all other religions but Islam, military leaders ordered all Christmas lights, Bibles and even Santa kept inside mess tents and canvas chapels.

Comedian Bob Hope said nobody could stop him from showing up for Christmas after 41 years of entertaining the troops and show up he did.

Troops attended midnight mass inside tents and ate traditional Christmas meals which resembled, but did not exactly taste like back home.

''It's a nice try, but I sure miss my mom's cooking,'' said Pfc. Benjamin Lima 19, of Brooklyn, N.Y., working on a plate of turkey, potatoes, gravy, cranberry sauce, pecan pie and candy. And thoughts of war were never far away.

''You never know when Saddam Hussein is going to strike.'' said Lima. ''It could even happen on Christmas.''

It was Christmas as usual for President Bush, a spokesman said, ''He's spending it with his family.''

In New York City, where the holidays were overshadowed by a growing regional recession, more than 1,000 homless people turned out in a hotel in midtown Manhattan for free meals of turkey and stuffing.

Eating the same meal in a downtown jail cell was reputed mob boss John Gotti, who spent his 10th straight day in the Metropolitan Correctional Center awaiting trial on racketeering charges. Prison officials said he would receive the same traditonal Christmas fare as his fellow prisoners.

And Mafia buffs and filmgoers throughout the city packed movie matinee showings to see the premiere showing of ''The Godfather, Part III.'' Movie houses in midtown reported they were sold out for the first public showings of the long-awaited film.

At midnight, Cardinal John O'Connor celebrated his traditional mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral, which was packed with worshippers and broadcast live to the city's faithful.

In Chicago, Department of Human Services crews canvassed in search of the homeless in 20 degree temperatures.

Hundreds of parishoners of Holy Angels Catholic Church in Chicago gathered early Christmas morning to celebrate the holiday and pray for U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf.

''I'd hate to see us go to war,'' said Kathy Gavin, 52, suburban Flossmoor. ''My heart goes out to those people whose family is over there. It makes me a little sad and a little worried.''

Greg Ervin, 25, who became homeless two weeks ago when his family split up and left their South Side apartment, has been sleeping on old carpeting outdoors.

''Even though I'm homeless, Christmas is still the same,'' Ervin said. ''I'm going to see my family.''

A mob of looters raided a Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services office in Miami on Christmas Eve and hauled off hundreds of toys intended for Dade County's needy.

''It was chaotic,'' HRS supervisor Jacob Bery said. ''People were just walking out with boxes of toys, bags of toys. There were loads of people, 25 to 30 of them. It was like a mob. From children to grownups - old, middle-aged, young, you name it.''

But Christmas came for the needy nonetheless when the 4th Marine Division, 8th Tank Battalion, loaded a van with goodies they had received from a car dealership and took them to HRS protection services supervisor Linda Griskin.

''I was looking around for another needy organization to donate them to and that's when Linda called,'' said Staff Sgt. John Ferguson.

In Washington, some 200 volunteers served up a traditional holiday meal for 3,000 homeless men and women on the U.S. Capitol grounds.

''We want to be a reminder that while the savings and loan crisis continues and we pay those folks off and while the Middle East crisis continues and we spend billions over there, there are people who are homeless and hungry and destitute in this country right now,'' said Carol Fennelly, a spokeswoman for the Community for Creative Non- Violence homeless shelter.

More than $20,000 was donated to the Dell'Orco family, which was devastated by a weekend fire at its home in the Detroit suburb of Canton Township.

''It's more than just caring,'' said Wayne Swanson, a neighbor. ''It's coming from so deep down in the heart, it's unbelievable.''

The fire, which apparently began in the family's Christmas tree, claimed the life of Martin Dell'Orco and six of his nine children late Saturday night.

Dell'Orco's widow Debbie has been overwhelmed by the response, said her brother-in-law. ''She said she never knew so much love existed.'

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#90359u0508 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 25) UPI - Members of the multi-national forces deployed in the Persian Gulf are discreetly celebrating the Christian holiday of Christmas in the Moslem region. The recognition of any religion other than Islam in Saudi Arabia is forbidden. But the country has been tolerant of such holiday manifestations as Christmas trees and Santa Claus for the foreign troops, celebrating the holiday far from home.

In Baghdad, Iraq continued its preparations for war by announcing it would set up training camps for civil defense. The official Iraqi news agency INA says Baghdad has decided to open further training centers on rescue, first aid and evacuation and to hold a symposium on the importance of civil defense exercises. Iraq has already staged air raid and blackout drills.

Pope John Paul today made an emotional plea for what he called the ''tormented nations of the Middle East.'' In his Christmas Day message from the Vatican's central balcony, the pontiff prayed for a peaceful solution to the dangerous crisis in the Persian Gulf. The pope spoke to a crowd of up to 100-thousand on a chilly, rainy morning in the Eternal City... and sent the world holiday greetings in 52 languages.

Christmas is a new holiday in some Soviet republics. For the first time in a

half century of Soviet rule, the Baltic republics of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia are officially observing Christmas. But in addition to church services and family gatherings, the holiday is marked by increased tension and unverified rumors that Moscow is preparing a crackdown against the republics for trying to break from the Soviet Union.

At least five people were killed in a pre-dawn Christmas fire in their home in Columbus, Ohio. Authorities say the blaze gutted the single-family house. The cause of the fire is under investigation, but police say that at this point they have NO reason to believe it was anything other than accidental. The victims included two children and some are believed to be related.

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#90359u0520 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

ITHACA, N.Y. (DEC. 25) UPI - A burglar got a case of the old Christmas spirit and returned goods he had stolen from his landlady during a weekend break-in, it was reported Tuesday.

A remorseful Jose Rodriguez broke into his landlady's apartment a second time during the weekend to return a VCR he had stolen from her, the Syracuse Post Standard reported. He then phoned police and confessed.

''The Lord was talking to me. He was telling me, 'Knucklehead put the stuff back and turn yourself in','' Rodriguez told the newspaper.

When Ithaca Police responded to his call, they were initially skeptical. But Rodriguez allegedly produced a Timex watch and two rings to demonstrate his guilt.

Rodriguez was arraigned on a first-degree burglary charge Sunday and released in the custody of his minister, Michael Corriero of the Bible Agate Church in the city of Ithaca, some 50 miles south of Syracuse.

Corriero said ''this thing has gone far enough'' and would not otherwise comment.

Rodriguez, who lived upstairs from his landlady, said he broke in through the woman's back door. Police declined to identify the landlady.

Rodriguez also confessed to polishing off a pumpkin pie during the burglary.

He goes to court Jan. 2 when, he said, he plans to plead guilty and take his punishment.

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#90359u0521 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 25) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein called Tuesday for peaceful dialogue to resolve the Persian Gulf standoff, but blamed the crisis on American aggression and not his refusal to withdraw from Kuwait.

Many of the hundreds of thousands of multinational troops deployed in the gulf celebrated the Christian holiday in the Moslem region, but the festivities were overshadowed by increasing indications there will be a military confrontation if Iraq does not pull out of Kuwait by the Jan. 15 deadline, only 21 days away.

Leaders of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council issued a joint communique at the conclusion of a summit in Qatar Tuesday calling for the Iraqi withdrawal, as well as a solution to the Palestinian problem, which they said remained the Arab world's number one concern.

Israel, meanwhile, played down reports that the country's military was on a state of high alert Tuesday, following reports that Saddam had said in an interview that the Israeli city of Tel Aviv would be his first target if war were to eruprt in the region.

In his message, distributed by the official Iraqi news agency INA, Saddam said he ''hoped all people of conscience in the world will remember that injustice leads to war and that peace is made through equitable dialogue aimed at acheiving justice.''

Iraq and the United States had planned to hold high-level talks before Jan. 15 but, with time running out, the two countries have not been able to agree on dates.

The United Nations has authorized the U.S.-led multinational troops in the region to use force if Iraq has not withdrawn by that date from Kuwait, which it occupied Aug. 2.

Saddam's message, to an unidentified international conference on peace, blamed the conflict on American and Jewish aggression and made no mention of his occupation of the emirate. He has said in recent interviews that he will not withdraw by the crucial date.

Troops from around the world celebrated Christmas with parties and thoughts of home Tuesday.

The expression of religions other than Islam in Saudi Arabia is forbidden, but the country has been tolerant of such holiday manifestations as Christmas trees and Santa Clauses for the foreign troops.

The bulk of the U.S.-led force, which includes close to 300,000 U.S. troops along with Arab and European soldiers, has been deployed to the desert kingdom.

President Bush, who has said the United States is ready to go to war if Iraq has not pulled out of occupied Kuwait by Jan. 15, sent a Christmas message to the troops that was broadcast Christmas Eve.

''The sacrifices you make will never be forgotten. America is behind you,'' Bush said.

In another Christmas message, Pope John Paul II, in an annual address to a crowd of 100,000 at the Vatican, made an emotional plea for the ''tormented nations of the Middle East'' and prayed for a peaceful solution to the crisis.

Iraq has stepped up civil defense programs in preparations for a possible war, saying Tuesday it would open civilian training centers.

''It has been decided to open more training centers on rescue, first aid and evacuation and to hold a symposium on the importance of civil defense exercises,'' INA said.

The leaders of the conservative six-member Gulf Cooperation Council, in their first meeting since the invasion of member-state Kuwait, called for the withdrawal of Iraq and the restoration of the emirate's former ruling Al Sabah family.

But at the same time the summit's final communique - issued by Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Oman, Bahrain, the United Arab Emriates and Kuwait - called for a solution to the Palestinian problem, saying that despite the occupation it remained the foremost of Arab concerns.

The gulf countries have rejected Saddam's claim his occupation of Kuwait is linked to the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza strip. But the communique seemed to make clear the Arab states are not ready to neglect the Palestinian cause in the wake of the gulf crisis.

The GCC communique also touched briefly on the creation of a permanent security network to protect the oil-rich region in the future.

Sources close to the talks said non-Arab Iran may be involved in the network, although the communique mentioned no details of the plan.

Israeli military officials played down reports in the Israeli press Tuesday that its army and airforce were on a high state of alert.

Saddam reiterated in a weekend interview with Spanish television that he would strike at Israel if a war to erupt over Kuwait, even if Israel is not part of the multinational force allied against him.

''The Israeli air force all year round is on a certain state of alert for potential enemies,'' an official military source in Jerusalem said. ''Since

the beginning of the crisis, it has heightened its state of alert.''

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#90359u0559 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (DEC. 25) UPI - Cary Blanchard of Oklahoma State kicked a 24-yard field goal with 8:02 left to give the Blue a 17-14 victory over the Gray Christmas Day in the All-Star college football game.

Midway through the fourth quarter, with the score 14-14, the Blue put together an eight-play 75-yard drive to set up Blanchard's winning kick. The Gray had a chance to tie but John Kasay of Georgia missed a 40-yard field goal with 1:36 left.

The Blue broke head 14-0 after one period. The Blue capitalized on a fumble by Gray quarterback Scott Zolak of Maryland at his 36, leading to a 7-yard scoring run by Sheldon Canley of San Jose State.

Later in the quarter, Bob Christian of Northwestern ran 15 yards to make it 14-0.

The Blue defense answered the call at the end of the quarter. The Gray went for the touchdown on fourth-and-goal from the 1, but Chuck Weatherspoon of Houston was droped for a 1-yard loss.

In the second quarter, the Gray drew within 14-7 on Zolak's 39-yard scoring pass to Kentucky's Phil Logan. The Gray's Kasay missed a field goal from 50 yards just before halftime.

Midway through the third quarter, the Gray drove to the Blue's 1, but was stopped on third-and-one and fourth-and-one. After the Blue failed to convert on fourth-and-one from its 22, the Gray scored in two plays - a 21-yard pass from Zolack to Kirk Kirkpatrick of Florida and a 1-yard sneak by Zolak.

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In the fourth quarter, Zolak hit Logan with an apparent 8-yard scoring pass, but the play was called back for offensive pass interference.

Scott Evans, a defensive lineman from Oklahoma, was named the Blue's Most Valuable Player. Larry Brown, a defensive back from Texas Christian, was the Gray MVP.

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#90359u0575 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

MONTGOMERY, AL (DEC. 25) UPI - Frank Blevins will be bringing home something extra this Christmas.

Blevins bolstered a defense that twice stopped the Gray on the 1-yard line to help the Blue post a 17-14 triumph in the Christmas Day All-Star college football game. The Oklahoma linebacker was named the Blue squad's defensive player of the game.

''I feel good about my play today,'' Blevins said. ''I thought about the possibilities of winning an award before the game and thought it might make a good Christmas present to take back home. I think that players on both side of the ball showed great pride, that is what makes this a good game.''

Cary Blanchard of Oklahoma State kicked a 24-yard field goal with 8:02 left to give the Blue the final margin. Midway through the fourth quarter, with the score 14-14, the Blue put together an eight-play 75- yard drive to set up Blanchard's winning kick.

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''My receivers all ran great routes for me today,'' said Zolack, the Gray offensive player of the game. ''They were some of the finest players I've been with. I went out today just to have fun and be around a great bunch of guys.''

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(DEC. 26) UPI - LAS VEGAS SUPER BOWL ODDS:

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (DEC. 25) UPI - Odds to win Super Bowl:

	Open	Current
San Francisco	5-1	4-5
LA Rams	7-1	XX-XX
Denver	7-1	XX-XX
NY Giants	8-1	6-1
Philadelphia	10-1	25-1
Minnesota	10-1	XX-XX
Cleveland	12-1	XX-XX
Buffalo	12-1	4-1
Cincinnati	15-1	35-1
LA Raiders	15-1	5-1
Washington	15-1	25-1
New Orleans	15-1	500-1
Green Bay	18-1	XX-XX
Houston	18-1	100-1
Chicago	20-1	20-1
Kansas City	22-1	12-1
Indianapolis	25-1	1000-1
Pittsburgh	25-1	35-1
Miami	25-1	15-1
New England	30-1	XX-XX
Detroit	40-1	XX-XX
Seattle	40-1	100-1
San Diego	40-1	1000-1
Tampa Bay	100-1	2500-1
NY Jets	100-1	XX-XX
Phoenix	100-1	XX-XX
Atlanta	200-1	XX-XX
Dallas	200-1	300-1

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(DEC. 26) UPI - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

PATRICK DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NY Rangers	20	13	6	46	147	121

New Jersey	19	13	6	44	149	126
Philadelphia	19	17	5	43	134	130
Pittsburgh	18	17	3	39	157	142
Washington	18	19	1	37	124	119
NY Islanders	13	18	4	30	100	123

ADAMS DIVISION

Boston	20	11	6	46	129	117
Montreal	17	16	5	39	119	119
Hartford	15	18	4	34	102	122
Buffalo	12	16	7	31	113	118
Quebec	8	23	7	23	105	168

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

NORRIS DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Chicago	25	12	2	52	128	100
St. Louis	21	9	5	47	124	93
Detroit	19	15	4	42	138	130
Minnesota	11	21	6	28	111	128
Toronto	10	26	2	22	103	153

SMYTHE DIVISION

Calgary	20	13	4	44	150	119
Los Angeles	18	11	5	41	140	113
Vancouver	17	18	3	37	121	131
Edmonton	15	17	2	32	112	111
Winnipeg	10	22	7	27	123	146

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(DEC. 26) UPI - NFL STANDINGS:

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
x-Buffalo	13	2	0	.867	414	234
y-Miami	11	4	0	.733	313	225
Indianapolis	7	8	0	.467	264	330
NY Jets	5	10	0	.333	279	331
New England	1	14	0	.067	171	433

CENTRAL

Pittsburgh	9	6	0	.600	278	206
Cincinnati	8	7	0	.533	339	338

Houston	8	7	0	.533	371	293
Cleveland	3	12	0	.200	214	441

WEST

y-LA Raiders	11	4	0	.733	320	256
y-Kansas City	10	5	0	.667	348	247
Seattle	8	7	0	.533	276	276
San Diego	6	9	0	.400	303	264
Denver	4	11	0	.267	309	361

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
x-NY Giants	12	3	0	.800	322	201
y-Philadelphia	9	6	0	.600	373	278
y-Washington	9	6	0	.600	352	287
Dallas	7	8	0	.467	237	282
Phoenix	5	10	0	.333	237	373

CENTRAL

x-Chicago	11	4	0	.733	338	259
Tampa Bay	6	9	0	.400	250	351
Minnesota	6	9	0	.400	334	306
Green Bay	6	9	0	.400	258	325
Detroit	6	9	0	.300	363	383

WEST

x-San Fran.	13	2	0	.867	333	222
New Orleans	7	8	0	.467	254	258
LA Rams	5	10	0	.333	328	392
Atlanta	4	11	0	.267	322	358

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff berth

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(DEC. 26) UPI - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	22	4	.846	-
Philadelphia	18	8	.692	4
New York	12	13	.480	9 1/2

New Jersey	10	15	.400	11 1/2
Washington	10	15	.400	11 1/2
Miami	5	19	.208	16

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	18	8	.692	-
Chicago	18	9	.666	1/2
Detroit	16	11	.593	2 1/2
Atlanta	12	13	.480	5 1/2
Cleveland	11	16	.407	7 1/2
Indiana	10	17	.370	8 1/2
Charlotte	8	16	.333	9

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	17	6	.739	-
Utah	17	9	.654	1 1/2
Houston	15	11	.577	3 1/2
Dallas	9	14	.391	8
Minnesota	7	17	.292	10 1/2
Denver	5	19	.208	12 1/2
Orlando	5	22	.185	14

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	23	3	.885	-
Phoenix	15	9	.625	7
LA Lakers	14	9	.609	7 1/2
Golden State	15	10	.600	7 1/2
Seattle	10	13	.435	11 1/2
LA Clippers	10	15	.400	12 1/2
Sacramento	6	17	.261	15 1/2

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(DEC. 26) UPI - NBA BOX SCORES:

DETROIT (98)

Rodman 0-3 1-2 1, Edwards 2-9 6-8 10, Laimbeer 4-8 0-0 8, Dumars 7-14 10-10 24, Thomas 10-20 3-4 23, Aguirre 3-9 3-4 9, Salley 1-2 1-2 3, Johnson 1-4 0-0 2, Rollins 1-1 0-0 2, Bedford 1-1 2-2 4. Totals 30-71 26-32 86.

CHICAGO (86)

Pippen 7-13 0-1 14, King 2-7 2-2 6, Cartwright 4-9 4-6 12, Paxson 6-12 2-2 15,

Jordan 14-23 8-10 37, Grant 4-4 0-0 8, Armstrong 1-3 0-0 2, Hopson 0-1 0-0 0, Levingston 2-5 0-0 4, Hodges 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-77 16-21 98.

Detroit	26	24	14	22--86
Chicago	23	22	28	25--98

Three-point goals-Paxson, Jordan. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Detroit 22, Chicago 24. Rebounds-Detroit 38 (Rodman 10), Chicago 35 (Cartwright 10). Assists-Detroit 19 (Thomas 10), Chicago 22 (Paxson 8). Technicals-Detroit Coach Daly; Chicago, illegal defense (2); Detroit, illegal defense; Grant (ejected). A-18,676.

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#90359u0669 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

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Iraq continues to give NO indication it is willing to give up Kuwait. Baghdad said today it will continue its civil defense activities in preparation for a fight. The United Nations has authorized the use of force against Iraq if it does not withdraw its troops from Kuwait on January 15th, only 21 days away. The official Iraqi news agency INA says Baghdad has decided to open further training centers on rescue, first aid and evacuation and to hold a symposium on the importance of civil defense exercises.

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The Congress of People's Deputies today gave Mikhail Gorbachev significant new powers as president. The Congress voted to put the Cabinet and all government ministries under Gorbachev's direct control. The Congress also agreed by an overwhelming vote to his plans for a new vice president. The action means the position of premier becomes practicallty obsolete.

A bloodless military coup has ousted the 18-month-old civilian government in the South American nation of Suriname. The State Department in Washington says the U-S Embassy in the capital of Paramaribo confirms the military takeover. State Department spokeswoman Sondra McCarty issued a statement condemning what she called- ''this violation of constitutional order in Suriname.''

In the Philippines, fugitive coup leader Gregorio Honasan is vowing that mutinous soldiers will ''vigorously pursue'' their quest to topple President Corazon Aquino . The former army colonel's statement comes four days after government troops foiled a rebel attempt to blow up fighter jets at a major air base supposedly to signal the start of a seventh coup try.

Police say a small bomb exploded early today within sight of St Peter's Basilica just hours before Pope John Paul the Second delivered his Christmas Day message. The blast caused NO injuries, but slightly damaged an American military club and Vatican radio headquarters. Police say they have NO clues on who's behind the attack, but believe the U-S-O was the prime target.

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(DEC. 26) UPI - SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASKETBALL

San Antonio - Waived guards Pete Myers and Reggie Williams; activated forward Sidney Green.

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#90359u0686 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 25) UPI - Soviet President Gorbachev today won significant new presidential powers. The Congress of People's Deputies agreed to give Gorbachev direct control of the Cabinet and all government ministries. And it agreed to his plans for a new vice president.

The 18-month-old civilian government of Suriname has been ousted in a bloodless coup staged by the military. The overthrow comes one week after the head of the armed forces and former military ruler Desi Bouterse resigned.

In Washington, the State Department issued a statement condemning- quote- ''this violation of constitutional order in Suriname.'' The State Department says it sees NO immediate threat or danger to American citizens in the South American nation.

Leaders of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council are expected to conclude their summit today in Doha, Qatar, amid reports the states are split over whether they should hold talks with Iraq. The G-C-C is expected to release a final communique renewing the call for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

President Bush is spending Christmas at the Camp David presidential retreat in Maryland. Bush, who has indicated in recent weeks he's ready to go to war with Iraq, sent a Christmas message to the 300-thousand U-S troops in the Gulf region, saying ''America is behind you.''

In the Saudi desert, troops from 27 nations allied against Iraq celebrated a Christmas with muted merriment today. The troops sang Christmas carols, feasted on traditional Christmas meals of turkey and lined up for phone calls home.

But despite the holiday, the soldiers- whether in combat fatigues or shorts and t-shirts- kept their weapons loaded and wore their chemical suits folded in little pouches hanging from their belts. One soldier remarked- ''You never know when Saddam Hussein is going to strike.''

Pope John Paul the Second delivered his annual Christmas message to a crowd of 100-thousand people today at the Vatican. The pontiff made an emotional plea for what he described as the ''tormented nations of the Middle East'' and he prayed for a peaceful solution to the crisis.

A small bomb exploded near St Peter's Basilica today just hours before the pope delivered his Christmas message. No one was hurt, but police say the blast caused minor damage to an American military club and Vatican radio headquarters.

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(DEC. 25) UPI - Leaders of the conservative six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council today ended a four-day meeting in Qatar with a call for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. The leaders also called for a just solution to the Palestinian problem, which they said remains the most important issue in the Arab world.

Bob Hope says nothing could keep him from entertaining the troops in Saudi Arabia this Christmas. Hope will perform three shows for the troops in the Saudi desert. The comedian had to make it an all-male show after the Saudis refused to grant visas to actress Brooke Shields, or singers Janet Jackson, Marie Osmond and the Pointer Sisters.

Soviet President Gorbachev was given a significant widening of presidential power today by the Congress of People's Deputies. The Congress agreed to give Gorbachev direct control of the Cabinet and all government ministries... and it agreed to his plans for a new vice president. Gorbachev withdrew his proposal to create a ''Supreme Control Chamber.''

The State Department today condemned a military coup in the South American nation of Suriname, calling it a ''violation of constitutional order.'' Military forces seized power last night in a bloodless takeover that ousted Suriname's 18-month-old civilian government.

In another development, Soviet K-G-B chief Vladimir Kryuchkov vowed today the

Soviet Union will NOT return to the Cold War era of denunciations. Kryuchkov said his weekend speech warning of foreign economic sabotage was misunderstood. The speech was widely seen as a return to Cold War rhetoric.

Much of the northern third of the nation is celebrating a white Christmas. Snow covered the ground in most of nation's northern tier and more fell in the Rockies, Plains states and the Great Lakes today as the arctic cold front pushed its deadly, bone-chilling temperatures eastward.

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(DEC. 25) UPI - California is beginning to thaw from a freeze that may have damaged up to 50 percent of the state's citrus crop. Officials estimate a 200-Million-dollar loss in this year's orange harvest in northern California's Tulare County, where the bulk of the state's navel oranges are grown. About 20 percent of the state's avocado crop also was lost.

Elsewhere, much of the northern third of the nation is enjoying a white Christmas thanks to an arctic cold front that spread sub-zero temperatures from the Rockies to the Great Lakes. Florida boasted the balmiest temperatures in the lower 48 states today, with a 72-degree reading in Miami.

Researchers say cancer has overtaken heart disease as the leading killer of middle-aged Americans. The researchers at the Southern Illinois School of Medicine say more could be done to reduce the death rate by reducing smoking and alcohol use. The researchers reported their finding in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

More than 200 history buffs today re-enacted General George Washington's crossing of the Delaware on Christmas morning in 1776 during the Revolutionary War. The crossing marked the 38th time enthusiasts equipped with colonial military regalia climbed into a quartet of 40-foot boats to duplicate the crossing.

Former Romanian King Michael secretly returned to his native land today. The deposed monarch, who now lives in Geneva, arrived at the Bucharest airport along with one of his seven daughters for a 24-hour private visit. The return of the former king comes one year to the day after the execution of Communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu.

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(DEC. 25) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein today called for peaceful dialogue to resolve the crisis in the Persian Gulf. But Saddam says his refusal to withdraw from Kuwait is NOT to blame for the crisis. He says American aggression is responsible for the standoff.

Soviet lawmakers today approved constitutional amendments granting Mikhail Gorbachev broad new presidential powers. The Kremlin leader gained direct control of all government ministries and a new post for vice president.

The Congress of People's Deputies approved 19 of 36 amendments proposed by Gorbachev in his sweeping overhaul of the Soviet government structure. The remaining constitutional changes are expected to be taken up tomorrow.

Pilgrims packed into the Grotto of the Nativity in Bethlehem today to kneel before the silver star marking the spot where tradition holds Jesus was born. One day earlier, the mayor of Bethlehem had described the place of Jesus' birth as a ''ghost town.''

Soul singer James Brown today gave his first performance in two years. Brown entertained nearly 10-thousand troops in training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina for Christmas. Brown was imprisoned two years ago for leading police on a chase across two states.

Government researchers are casting doubt on the discovery of a gene linked to severe alcoholism. The National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism says its study found NO consistent ties between alcoholism and a type of gene known as the dopamine2, receptor gene.

But scientists who conducted the original research insist their discovery is solid... noting that recent tests of living, severe alcoholics ''have confirmed our original findings.''

In another study, researchers say programs aimed at preventing teen- age suicides may be ineffective or may even make the problem worse. A study involving 973 ninth- and 10th-graders found the programs appeared often to produce negative reactions, especially among those most prone to suicide.

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#90359u1042 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 25) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says the standoff in the Persian Gulf is about American aggression- NOT his refusal to withdraw from Kuwait. In a message carried today by the official Iraqi news agency, Saddam called for peaceful dialogue to resolve the gulf crisis. Saddam said that peace is made through ''equitable dialogue aimed at acheiving justice.''

In Qatar, leaders of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council issued a joint call for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. The conservative G-C-C also called for the restoration of the emirate's former ruling Al Sabah family. It also called for a solution to the Palestinian problem, saying that despite the occupation it remains the Arab world's number one concern.

Soviet President Gorbachev argued for more executive powers to stem the Soviet Union's slide toward anarchy... and he got them. The Congress of People's Deputies today agreed to give the Kremlin leader broad new powers by putting all government ministries under Gorbachev's direct control. The lawmakers also agreed to Gorbachev's plans for a new post for vice president.

There's NO word on the whereabouts of Suriname's president following a bloodless military coup that ousted his 18- month-old civilian government. The government apparently offered NO resistance as military forces led by the acting armed forces chief seized power in the South American nation. The State Department in Washington condemned what it called ''this violation of constitutional order in Suriname.''

It was Christmas as usual for President Bush, spending today with his family. Across the nation Americans celebrated Christmas with traditional feasts and festivities while their loved ones in Saudi Arabia struggled to preserve the holiday spirit amid war preparations in the desert sands. American troops dug in against Iraq celebrated Christmas with quiet merriment, singing carols, feasting on turkey, lining up for phone calls home... and keeping their guns loaded.

A remorseful burglar reportedly got a case of the old Christmas spirit and returned goods he had stolen from his landlady during a weekend break-in. The Syracuse, New York, Post Standard reports Jose Rodriguez broke into his landlady's apartment a second time to return a V-C-R he had stolen from her. He then phoned police and confessed. Rodriguez told the newspaper- quote- ''The Lord was talking to me. He was telling me, 'Knucklehead put the stuff back and turn yourself in'.''

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(DEC. 25) UPI - American forces in Saudi Arabia celebrated Christmas quietly today. G-I's attended religious services and sang carols in tents in the desert. The expression of religions other than Islam is forbidden in Saudi Arabia. But the Saudis have been tolerant of holiday traditions such as Santa Claus and Christmas trees. Christmas trees were flown to Saudi Arabia from the United States.

Snow covers the ground in most of the nation's norther tier this Christmas Day. More snow fell in the Rockies, Plains and Great Lakes states. An arctic cold front is chilling most of the nation. Wind-chill factors in Minnesota hit as low as 60 below zero. Temperatures this morning in North Dakota dropped to almost 30 below. The low in Atlanta was about 15.

Radio reports from Brazil say all communications in Suriname SUHR'- uh-nam were cut after the acting commander of Suriname's armed forces announced he'd taken over the government. The government in the South American nation

apparently did NOT resist the insurrection. NO bloodshed has been reported. Just a week ago, the head of the armed forces and former military ruler resigned.

Researchers have a discouraging report on suicide prevention programs for teenagers. The researchers say programs aimed at preventing teenage suicides may either NOT work or may make the potential for suicide worse. Columbia University researchers studied 973 ninth and 10th graders. An editorial accompanying the report in the Journal of the American Medical Association says more study is needed.

A judge in Milwaukee tried to change the calendar... but the governor would NOT let him. Two Navy chief petty officers exchanged wedding vows Christmas Eve. But a Wisconsin law forces them to wait until tomorrow for the wedding to be legal. That's when Michael Aschauer is under orders to report for duty. He and his bride say they never considered asking the Navy for a few day's extension.

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#90359u1220 12/25/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 25) UPI - The more than quarter-Million troops massed in the Persian Gulf had a quiet although tense Christmas. They carried their guns as they attended services. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein called for peaceful dialogue to resolve the crisis, which he blamed on U-S and Israeli aggression.

Blizzard-like conditions made travel difficult in some of the north- central states. And it was cold across the country. It did warm up a little in California, where a freeze may have damaged half the citrus crop. And Florida was pleasant, with temperatures in the 70's.

Violent weather battered much of Britain on Christmas Day. Hurricane- force winds toppled a church spire in a village, slightly hurting three people. Stormy seas capsized a boat delivering Christmas presents and mail to off-shore oil rigs in the North Sea. All the crewmen were rescued.

The Baltic republics declared Christmas Eve and Christmas Day official holidays for the first time in a half-century of Soviet rule. There are rumors that Moscow is preparing a crackdown against the republics.

The Soviet Congrewss of People's Deputies gave Mikhail Gorbachev new presidential powers today. Gorbachev won control of all government ministries and a new post for vice president.

Fire killed at least five people in a house in Columbus, Ohio, today. Officials say two women, a man and two children died in the blaze that apparently was touched off by a smoldering cigarette.

A Christmas Day fire killed three people in a three-story tenement in Lowell, Massachusetts. The fire killed two girls and their mother, who ran into the blazing building to try to save them.

A New York man died today from a shotgun wound in the stomach inflicted by one of two robbers. He was returning home with Christmas presents for his wife last night when he was accosted outside his building.

A sledding accident has killed a teenager in Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin. The 15-year-old was on a sled that raced down a driveway and onto a highway, where it was hit by a passing vehicle.

Police in Rome say they DON'T have any clues to the identity of whoever detonated a small bomb today. The bomb slightly damaged a U-S-O club and the Vatican radio headquarters.

Former Romanian King Michael was home for Christmas. The deposed monarch secretly flew to his native land last night, for a 24-hour visit. Michael fled Romania in 1945.

A Dublin, Texas, woman used to say ''Maybe we'll have a baby next Christmas.'' Stacey and Ben Disney have two this year... an 11-month-old son and seven-month-old daughter. The couple adopted the two children from Romanian orphanages.

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#90359u1293 12/25/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 25) UPI - American troops involved in the watchful wait in the Persian Gulf celebrated Christmas quietly. Services in Saudi Arabia were in tents to avoid antagonizing the Saudis, who are Moslem. Leaders of six conservative gulf states issued a call for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. However, the Gulf Cooperation Council said the Palestinian problem remains the Arab world's number one concern.

The governor-elect of Illinois donated a 238-pound pig from his farm to the needy of his state. Jim Edgar and his wife served part of the pig at the St. John's Breadline in Springfield on Christmas Day. The rest was served at a food pantry in Chicago. The pig had been a 75-hundred- dollar grand champion at the Illinois State Fair.

A Milwaukee-area man worked Christmas Eve at a convenience store. 72- year-old Albert Rosen spent his 21st consecutive Christmas Eve doing other peoples' work so they could get the night off. Rosen is Jewish. The store he worked in had an UNexpected appearance from Santa Claus, in the midst of visits with children at 18 hospitals.

Dozens of Jewish volunteers filled in at the soup kitchens in Virginia's

Hampton Roads today so Christian workers could celebrate Christmas with their families. They are part of Project Ahava- ahava is Hebrew for love. The project is an effort aimed at fostering cooperation between the religious faiths.

More than 200 people wearing colonial costumes re-enacted the precursor of one of the nation's first military victories... General George Washington's crossing of the Delaware. The crossing was the 38th time enthusiasts have climbed into a quartet of 40-foot boats to duplicate the Christmas morning 1776 crossing that led to the first Battle of Trenton during the Revolutionary War.

Manwatchers Incorporated has released its annual list of Most Watchable Men for 1990. The winners for 1990 are... Heisman Trophy Winning quarterback Ty Detmer from Brigham Young University, operatic tenor Placido Domingo, actor John Forsythe... talk show host Aresnio Hall, actor-director Kevin Costner, actor Ray Liotta, broadcast journalist John McLaughlin, actor Robert Redford, actor Tom Selleck... and soap opera heartthrob Michael Swan.

A Detroit man has designated December 26th ''National Whiners Day.'' Kevin Zaborney has announced his annual list of whiners since 1986. His 1990 list is topped by 2 Live Crew because they whined about being banned at concerts due to their lyrics. NASA is second for its problems with the Hubble telescope and space shuttles. Washington Mayor Marion Barry came in third... then the rock group Milli Vanilli, followed by comedian Andrew Dice Clay.

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SALT LAKE CITY (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Knowledge Data Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:KDSI) announced its results of operations for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Revenues for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $12,821,000 vs. $8,949,000 for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1989, an increase of 43 percent. Net income for the year ended Sept. 30, 1990, was $377,000, or 1 cent per share. This compares to a net loss for the year ended Sept. 30, 1989, of $1,738,000, or 7 cents per share.

The above figures utilize a weighted average of 27,619,000 and 26,355,000 shares outstanding for the years ended Sept. 30, 1990 and 1989, respectively.

Knowledge Data Systems provides integrated, multi-application data processing systems and related services to healthcare institutions and independent medical laboratories throughout the United States. The company's stock is listed for trading on the NASDAQ Over-the-Counter Exchange and identified by the symbol KDSI.

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MIAMI (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - An investor group led by Roger Koch, president of Aircraft Modular Proudcts Inc. (''AMP'') and other members of management and employees of AMP, Wednesday announced that it had completed the purchase of all the outstanding capital stock of AMP from Jetborne International Inc. (''Jetborne'') for a purchase price of $9.5 million.

The purchase price was paid by a combination of cash, assumption of certain Jetborne debt owed to Banco Exterior de Espana S.A., and a delivery of a long-term purchase money note to Jetborne.

AMP, which is based in Miami, manufactures and sells seating, galleys and other interior structural components and repairs flight controls for corporate and commercial aircraft. AMP's customers include both aircraft manufacturers and major airlines. During its most recent fiscal year ended April 30, AMP had pre-tax income of approximately $1.5 million on revenues of approximately $8.5 million.

Koch stated, ''The recent purchase transaction clearly demonstrates the personal and financial commitment of AMP's employees to the future expansion and growth of its business. We believe that as an independent, largely employee-owned concern, AMP will continue to grow in its selected niche markets.''

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KANSAS CITY, MO (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - US Sprint Wednesday announced a transpacific cable agreement that will give the company an international fiber-optic network with fully redundant connectivity from Europe to Japan through the United States.

A milestone supporting the company's commitment to build a global fiber-optic highway, this agreement more than doubles US Sprint's fiber capacity in the Pacific region.

US Sprint has purchased an ownership interest in North Pacific Cable (NPC), a transpacific fiber-optic cable project of Pacific Telecom Cable Inc., of the United States, Cable and Wireless plc of the United Kingdom and International Digital Communications Inc., of Japan.

This new cable capacity, scheduled to be operational by March 1991, enhances the US Sprint fiber-optic network with a completely diverse route, survivability and improved reliability.

''Sprint's ownership interest in the NPC is another sign of our commitment to the rapidly growing Asia Pacific region,'' said Martin Tate, director of international facilities development for Sprint International, US Sprint's global telecommunications and private networks subsidiary. ''NPC is also an important link in our plans to build a global digital fiber-optic highway.''

''Traffic growth in the Pacific Rim is outpacing every other region in the world,'' said Michael Robinson, US Sprint's director of international network and capacity management. ''This new cable capacity expands US Sprint's fiber technology to the Far East and complements our existing fiber capabilities to Europe, advancing US Sprint's network quality on a global basis.''

NPC will be the first direct link between the United States and Japan and is the highest capacity fiber-optic cable authorized for the Pacific region. Construction is slated for completion in December 1990. NPC connects the United States to Japan via a 5,200-mile great circle route.

On the United States end, NPC will interconnect with Sprint's domestic digital network and to Sprint's PTAT-1 and other transatlantic cables. In Japan, interconnections will be with the domestic Japanese networks and to expanding digital facilities serving the growing economies of Southeast Asia.

Pacific Telecom Cable Inc., based in Vancouver, Wash., is a majority-owned subsidiary of Pacific Telecom Inc., a PacifiCorp company.

US Sprint is a unit of United Telecommuncations Inc., a diversified international telecommunications company with $7.5 billion in revenues. US Sprint provides a comprehensive array of voice, data and video communications products and services on the only nationwide all-digital, all fiber-optic network.

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SANTA ANA, CA (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - California Commercial Bankshares, holding company for National Bank of Southern California, has announced that its rights offering to shareholders for 309,861 shares of common stock has been fully subscribed.

The offering for rights to purchase shares in the bank holding company at $13

per share provided $4,028,193 of new capital to the holding company. The rights offering was fully subscribed less than 60 days from the original offering date. Mesirow Capital Ventures V, an investment partnership, subscribed to 100,000 of the total shares which constitutes slightly less than 5 percent of shares outstanding after the offering.

William Jacoby, president of California Commercial Bankshares, stated: ''We are extremely pleased about the enthusiastic response of our shareholders for this new offering and to have Mesirow Capital as a new shareholder.

''The additional capital will all be contributed to the company's primary subsidiary, National Bank of Southern California. The new capital will enable the bank to enter 1991 in the enviable position of being able to increase its asset base while still maintaining very solid capital ratios. We believe 1991 will provide many opportunities for strong locally owned banks which provide superior service and enduring long-term relationships with business and professional clients. The need for that kind of personal banking relationship is more evident today than ever before.''

California Commercial Bankshares is a publicly traded bank holding company which owns 100 percent of National Bank of Southern California. The bank is one of the largest independent banks with headquarters in Orange County and, as of Sept. 30, 1990, had total assets of $329,723,000.

The bank maintains regional offices in Santa Ana, El Toro and Orange and specializes in serving business and professional communities.

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FREMONT, CALIF (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Lam Research Corp. (NASDAQ:LRCX) reported Wednesday that the company's president and chief operating officer passed away on Dec. 24, following a brief bout with cancer.

At the onset of Kountz' illness several months ago, Lam's Chief Executive Officer Roger Emerick assumed all presidential responsibilities. He will continue in this capacity in the near term. The company will seek an executive outside the firm to fill Kountz' seat on Lam's board of directors.

Lam is a leading supplier of wafer processing equipment for the worldwide semiconductor industry and the leading supplier of single wafer etchers.

The company's broad product offerings are focused on etch and deposition, two of the most vital areas in the fabrication of current and future integrated circuits. Serving as the foundation for this focus, Lam has developed core

technologies encompassing etch and CVD disciplines.

Headquartered in Fremont, Lam maintains customer support centers throughout the United States, Europe and the Pacific Rim to support its global customer base. Founded in 1980, Lam Research is publicly held and listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol LRCX.

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SEATTLE (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Olympia Broadcasting Corp. announced Wednesday that it has reached agreement on the terms of a definitive agreement to sell radio stations KTRW-AM and KZZU-FM in Spokane, Wash.; KYAK-AM and KGOT-FM in Anchorage, Alaska; and KIAK-AM/FM in Fairbanks, Alaska, to Harbor Broadcasting Corp.

Harbor is owned by Arcus Communications Inc. of Bend, Ore., and by Pacific Harbor Capital Inc., a subsidiary of PacifiCorp Financial Services Inc., a Portland, Ore.-based financial services company. The purchase price is based upon an adjusted cash flow formula and is expected to range between $3.1 and $3.5 million, subject to various adjustments and escrow conditions. Elliot Evers of Media Venture Partners served as broker for the transaction.

The sale which, among other things, is subject to approval of the bankruptcy court, execution by all parties of the definitive agreement, FCC approvals, and lender consents, is expected to close in the spring of 1991. Net proceeds are expected to be applied primarily to repayment of indebtedness pursuant to Olympia's pending Chapter 11 filing.

Olympia Broadcasting is a publicly held group broadcaster which owns and operates eight radio stations in Kansas City, Fresno, Spokane, Anchorage and Fairbanks. Through its Olympia Broadcasting Networks subsidiary, the company produces and distributes sports, entertainment and information radio network programming to over 1,700 stations. The company previously announced that it is seeking offers for the purchase of its radio broadcasting stations and that on June 8, 1990, it executed a definitive agreement to sell its radio station KRZR-FM serving Fresno, Calif. On June 13, 1990, Olympia Broadcasting filed a Chapter 11 bankruptcy petition with the United States Bankruptcy Court in Seattle.

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SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Telesis Group (NYSE:PAC) Wednesday announced it is placing a 15 cents per share reserve of $60 million after tax dollars against its fourth-quarter earnings to offset anticipated losses connected with the divestment of its real estate holdings.

In March PacTel Corp., a Telesis subsidiary, announced its decision to no longer invest new capital in PacTel Properties, its real estate subsidiary.

Sam Ginn, chairman and chief executive officer of Pacific Telesis Group, said: ''Our decision to exit the real estate business is prompted by two factors. We want to be in a position to take advantage of international wireless and home entertainment investment opportunities, as well as to center our diversified businesses more closely around our key area of expertise -- telecommunications services.''

The corporation also recently announced a major reorganization to substantially reduce staff overhead in its domestic cellular operations and to enable it to respond more readily to wireless communication and home entertainment opportunities around the world.

The divestment of PacTel Properties' portfolio -- consisting of properties in California and Florida -- is part of this ongoing strategy and will be accomplished over the next few years.

Pacific Telesis Group is a worldwide telecommunications corporation headquartered in San Francisco. PacTel Corp. oversees subsidiaries including PacTel Cellular, PacTel Paging, PacTel Teletrac, Pacific Telesis International and PacTel Cable.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Hotel Investors Trust, a real estate investment trust, and Hotel Investors Corp., a hotel management company, whose shares are paired and trade together (NYSE:HOT), Wednesday announced that the companies have received an offer from shareholder Leonard M. Ross to acquire all of Hotel Investors' outstanding paired shares.

Pursuant to the offer, Hotel Investors would be merged with a Ross-controlled entity and the shareholders of Hotel Investors (other than Ross and his affiliates) would receive cash in the amount of $1.25 per paired share and the stock of a newly formed subsidiary into which Hotel Investors' two hotel/casinos in Las Vegas, would be placed.

The Ross offer is subject to a number of conditions, including due diligence, execution of a definitive merger agreement, approval of the Nevada Gaming Control Board and other governmental authorities and the agreement of Hotel Investors Trust's current lenders to continue and/or restructure the Trust's current credit facilities in a manner satisfactory to Ross. If not accepted by Hotel Investors, the offer will expire Jan. 15, 1991.

The Ross offer is being reviewed by Hotel Investors' board of trustees and board of directors.

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SANTA BARBARA, CALIF (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - County Bank (NASDAQ:CNBA) announced a year-end corporate reorganization and the successful completion of its converson of $22.15 million of subordinated debt to new core capital, according to Roy G. Green, president.

Green stated that William J. Levy, the bank's largest shareholder, and his longtime business partner Roy Millender, also a major County shareholder, have stepped down from the board of directors and intend to return full time to their other business activities, including management of their significant local real estate holdings. Both men intend to keep their major ownership interests in the bank and plan to increase that stake by purchasing shares in the forthcoming preferred stock issue.

As part of the reorganization, Green was unanimously selected to be the new chairman by the board of directors and will continue to serve as president and chief executive officer.

Green also announced that County Bank just completed a conversion of long-term subordinated debt to core capital. ''We have succeeded in exchanging $22.15 million of debt for an equal amount of preferred stock,'' Green said, a move which significantly improved the bank's current core capital position to 2.3 percent. Additional capital is expected to be raised through a separate new issue of preferred stock which is expected to be completed by June 30, 1991.

Levy and Millender both cited recent changes in the financial industry brought about by 1989 federal legislation and the increasingly difficult financial environment. ''I have been an entrepreneur, investor and developer all my life,'' Levy said. ''While those skills were important in the bank's early years, the nature of the industry has changed dramatically since 1988.

County's reorganization comes during a period of widespread changes in the

financial services industry brought about by the enactment of FIRREA in 1989. Many financial institutions, including County, are pursuing plans to raise the capital necessary to meet the new higher federal standards. The conversion of subordinated debt to core capital and the proposed new preferred stock issue have long been part of County's plan, Green said.

County has over $1.2 billion in assets and has 10 branches located throughout Ventura, Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties.

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GLENDALE, CA (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Software Central Inc., a nine-year-old microcomputer reseller headquartered in Glendale, has announced a new name and modified corporate identity for its dba subsidiary UNIVAR.

Effective immediately the regional software/hardware reseller will begin doing business as OMNIVAR.

According to company President, David Wegman, the new name better reflects OMNIVAR's future direction in the microcomputer marketplace.

''We've made dramatic changes within our organization during the last two months with product lines and marketing strategies,'' stated Wegman. ''The name OMNIVAR is a direct statement and clearer communication of our encompassing commitment to value-added products and services.''

OMNIVAR provides multi-platform hardware, software and networking solutions in DOS, Macintosh and UNIX operating environments, and focuses its sales efforts into corporate, government and educational markets.

OMINVAR maintains principal sales offices and corporate headquarters in Glendale, with a regional distribution hub and sales center in San Jose. Additional outbound sales offices and service centers are located in Sacramento, San Ramon and Denver.

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STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Nycom Information Services Inc. (NASDAQ:NYCM) announced that the arbitration process, regarding the dismissal of Boland Jones as president of NYCOM's Amnex subsidiary was concluded.

The arbitrators found that Jones was discharged for cause and denied all of his claims.

Nycom Information Services Inc. is a telecommunications company which offers long distance network capabilities, including a broad spectrum of standard and enhanced information and operator services features and products to meet the needs of the transient telephone user.

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#90360b0627 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire

WALTHAM, MA (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - IPL Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:IPLSA) and Decision Data Inc. Wednesday announced a three-year agreement for distribution of IPL's direct access storage device (DASD) for IBM midrange computers.

This agreement is in addition to the 1988 three-year agreement between IPL and the Horsham, Pa., firm for distribution of IPL tape products. The first product to be delivered under the latest agreement is IPL's disk array for IBM's popular AS/400 computers.

The IPL 7636 Disk Array provides up to an additional 1.8 GB of storage, as well as an improved price/performance alternative to IBM's newly announced 9336 disk product. Delivery of the IPL Disk Array began in September, with volume shipments scheduled for the first quarter of 1991.

IPL Systems Inc., designs, manufactures, markets and services a broad range of storage products for IBM midrange computers, including DASD and tape subsystems, plus memory upgrades. The company was founded in 1973.

Other Decision Data products include IBM System/3X and AS/400 minicomputers; personal computers; intelligent workstations; terminals; matrix, serial, laser and IPDS printers; communications controllers; tape backup systems; main memory expansion; uninterruptible and intelligent power systems; computer supplies; and a broad range of financing alternatives.

Decision Data also services and maintains more than 1,000 diverse models of computer equipment from 125 field service offices.

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#90360b0628 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire
WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Nycal Corp. (NASDAQ:NYCL) Wednesday announced its intention to honor Shephard Insurance Group Limited (VSE:SHR) common share purchase warrants as part of its upcoming share exchange offer for Shephard.

Nycal acquired a controlling interest (50.7 percent) in Shephard through a private exchange of Shephard shares for Nycal shares in August 1990. Nycal further announced at that time its intention to acquire the remaining outstanding shares of the common stock of Shephard in exchange for common stock of Nycal as soon as the necessary regulatory approvals were obtained.

Nycal is pursuing the filing of its Registration Statement and Prospectus for the exchange offer in accordance with U.S. security regulations and simultaneously seeking necessary Canadian regulatory approval to extend the same offer to Canadian shareholders.

Upon receipt of all regulatory approvals, Nycal will exchange its common stock for Shephard stock on the ratio of .64 of a Nycal share for each Shephard share.

Nycal announced Wednesday that its forthcoming exchange offer to U.S. shareholders of Shephard will honor the Shephard warrants to permit the purchase of Nycal common stock on the same general terms and conditions provided for in the original Shephard warrant indenture, subject only to adjustment for the exchange ratio and extension of the warrant expiration date from Dec. 31, 1990 to June 30, 1991.

Canadian regulators have to date denied Nycal's requests to extend the same warrant offer to Canadian shareholders.

It should be noted that warrant certificates originally issued to holders of Shephard common shares, whose recorded address on the books of the Shephard was the United States, were not delivered to U.S shareholders due to restrictions on distribution of the warrants in the United States. Subsequent to Dec. 31, warrant certificates held in escrow will be distributed to U.S shareholders.

CONTACT: Nycal, Washington
John Herring, 202/944-4424

-30- 2218
#90360b0631 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire
FEASTERVILLE, PA (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Theodore A. Schwartz, chief executive officer announced that Berger Holdings Ltd. (NASDAQ:BRGR, BRGRW and

BRGRP) raised net equity proceeds in excess of $3 million in its recently completed public offering of preferred stock and warrants.

This enabled Berger Holdings Ltd. to restructure its financial arrangements with its bank to terms that are significantly more favorable to Berger.

Schwartz further stated that, despite the general weakened economy, Berger will report growth in revenue of between 14 percent and 18 percent for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1990. In fiscal year 1989, Berger had reported revenue of $17.3 million.

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Theodore A. Schwartz, 215/545-3414
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L.G. Zangani Inc., Flemington, N.J.
Leonardo G. Zangani, 201/788-9660

-30- 1061

#90360b0642 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire

BASKING RIDGE, NJ (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Starting on Jan. 1, callers to Tokyo will have to add the number 3 to the beginning of all seven-digit numbers in the 03 area.

The 03 area includes the 23 wards of central Tokyo and parts of cities within the Tokyo area such as Mitaka, Komae and Chofu.

Nippon Telegraph and Telephone initiated the change from seven- to eight-digit numbers to accommodate increased demand for communications services.

The change will take place at 2 a.m. on Jan. 1, Tokyo time, which is noon EST on Dec. 31.

Under the new plan, dialing a call from the United States to Tokyo changes as follows:

Old number: 011-81-3-123-4567

New number: 011-81-3-3-123-4567

There will be no change for calling to existing eight-digit numbers.

AT&T will use a recorded announcement, in Japanese and English, to advise callers of the change.

Businesses with telecommunications or computer equipment that store and dial Tokyo numbers will need to reprogram their equipment with the new codes. The equipment includes telephones, modems, facsimile machines and PBXs.

According to the 1989 edition of The World's Telephones, an annual directory of global telecommunications statistics published by AT&T, Japan is the fifth most called country from the United States.

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Lynn Newman, 201/644-7041 (office) or,
201/993-8033 (home)
or
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201/771-9570 (home)

-30- 1691

#90360b0650 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire

KINGSTON, NY (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - National Micronetics Inc. (NASDAQ: NMIC) announced that the sale to Newmax Co. Ltd., a Korean Company, of 10.5 million shares of common stock of NMI for $4.2 million was consummated on Dec. 24, 1990.

Robert C. Ristagno, president and CEO of NMI, stated that the bridge loans of $2 million previously extended to NMI by an affiliate of Newmax have been repaid.

National Micronetics Inc. is an independent magnetic recording head manufacturer for the disk drive industry.

CONTACT: National Micronetics Inc., Kingston
Robert C. Ristagno, 914/338-0333

-30- 777

#90360b0653 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire

LEXINGTON, MA (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Grace Specialty Chemicals Co., the largest operating unit of W.R. Grace & Co., Wednesday announced that it has acquired Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company's Premier(TM) Product Line, used by the flexographic printing and newspaper industries.

Grace is a major supplier of graphic arts products and equipment, with worldwide sales in this market of more than $200 million.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

The company's acquired product line includes a foam substrate used in liquid photopolymers for commercial printing. Also as a result of the acquisition, Grace will market a cushion used by newspapers during the printing process that is designed to reduce vibration.

The Premier graphic arts business will operate as part of the company's Polyfibron Division headquartered in Lexington, Massachusetts. Grace will produce the new products at an expanded facility in Morristown, Tenn., where it manufactures other graphic arts supplies. Grace will continue to market the products under the Premier trademark.

Grace Specialty Chemicals Co. is the world's largest specialty chemicals company, with sales of more than $3 billion. It is a unit of W.R. Grace & Co. an international specialty chemicals company with interests in energy, manufacturing and service businesses with sales of $6.2 billion.

CONTACT: W.R. Grace & Co., New York
Chris Tofalli, 212/819-6000

-30- 1622
#90360b0656 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - March 30, 1991 has been set by Japan Airlines for the inauguration of three-times-weekly roundtrip service between Washington D.C. and Tokyo, subject to government approval.

JAL plans to serve the 6,869-mile route with a specially configured 268-seat Boeing 747-200 aircraft flying nonstop between Dulles International Airport outside Washington and the New Tokyo International Airport at Narita.

JAL's new flights will leave Tokyo every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, arriving in Washington the same days. Following a two-hour turnaround, the return flights will arrive back in Tokyo on the following days -- Wednesday's, Friday's and Sunday's.

The flight schedules are as follows:

JL026 departs Tokyo 1 p.m., arrives Washington 12:20 p.m.

JL025 departs Washington 2:20 p.m, arrives Tokyo 5:10 p.m. Airfares are the same as listed for New York/Tokyo:

First class roundtrip -- $5,520

Business class roundtrip -- $3,024

Economy class roundtrip -- $2,558

In addition there are a variety of roundtrip APEX fares that range between $1,156 and $1,477 depending on time of year and day of the week.

With the new Washington, D.C. service, JAL will serve nine cities in the United States. Existing gateways are New York, Atlanta, Chicago, Los Angeles,

San Francisco, Seattle, Anchorage and Honolulu.

CONTACT: Japan Airlines Public Relations Dept., New York
Morris G. Simoncelli, 212/310-1221 or Fax: 212/310-1230

-30- 1672

#90360b0662 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Tiffany & Co. Chairman William R. Chaney announced Wednesday that worldwide net sales for the eight-week holiday period from Nov. 1 to Dec. 25 increased 8 percent over the similar 1989 period.

Sales in the United States increased modestly but were below expectations, reflecting consumer concern about the economy. However, International Retail sales growth continued to be strong.

Sales results in Tiffany's three channels of distribution were as follows: International Retail sales rose 28 percent; United States Retail sales increased 2 percent; and Direct Marketing sales increased 1 percent. All results are based on preliminary unaudited sales.

Chaney noted that Tiffany's sales in the United States for the period were sufficiently below targeted increases to justify a downward revision in earnings estimates for the current quarter ending Jan. 31, 1991. He indicated however, that fourth quarter earnings could still reach approximately the level of last year when Tiffany earned $1.02 per share. The company expects to report its fourth quarter and full year 1990 in early-March.

''Tiffany will enjoy a record level of sales and earnings in 1990,'' Chaney said. ''Although we are disappointed with the results of the holiday period in the U.S., we recognize that widespread economic concerns have affected consumer spending at every level. We are encouraged, however, that the number of customer purchases in Tiffany's U.S. stores increased over the 1989 level, although the average customer purchase declined somewhat. It demonstrated continued strong customer loyalty.''

Chaney reemphasized his commitment to Tiffany's worldwide growth strategies, ''which have worked so successfully for us.'' He pointed out that, ''Tiffany's strong financial position will enable the company to aggressively pursue its expansion plans in 1991. While the current U.S. consumer spending slowdown is no doubt, affecting us, we believe our longer term opportunities are as bright as ever.''

''Tiffany enters 1991 with many new promising expansion opportunities,'' Chaney added. ''In the U.S., Tiffany's plans include opening new stores in Palm Beach and San Diego, expanding our Houston store and relocating and expanding our San Francisco store to Union Square. Internationally, our plans include opening a Tiffany store in Frankfurt on the Goethestrasse, entering

Canada with Tiffany's largest international store, on Toronto's Bloor Street West, and expanding our presence with new locations in the Far East.''

Tiffany and Co. is an internationally renowned retailer with locations in the United States, the Far East and Europe. The company's merchandise offerings include an extensive selection of fine jewelry, sterling silverware, china, crystal, watches, clocks, stationery, leather goods, scarves and fragrances.

In addition to its flagship New York store, Tiffany & Co. retail stores serve the markets of Atlanta, Beverly Hills, Boston, Chicago, Costa Mesa, Dallas, Houston, Philadelphia, San Francisco and the Washington D.C. area.

Exclusive Tiffany & Co. merchandise is also offered through a select group of prestigious jewelers and specialty retailers in other cities. Direct Marketing is carried out through the Corporate Division and the Selections catalog. International Retail sales are made in Japan through Tiffany & Co. boutiques in Mitsukoshi department stores and a wholesale distributor as well as through Tiffany & Co stores in London, Munich, Zurich, Hong Kong, and Taipei and Faraone stores in Milan and Florence.

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or
Mark L. Aaron, 212/605-4016
by
Booke & Co., New York
Marilynn Meek, 212/490-9095

-30- 4028

#90360b0668 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire

FRAMINGHAM, MA (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Perini Investment Properties Inc. announced Wednesday that it has retained Lazard Freres & Co. to act as financial adviser in connection with a possible restructuring and/or recapitalization of the company including a merger or sale.

CONTACT: Perini Investment Properties Inc., Framingham
Laurence F. Mulhern, 508/875-6975

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#90360b0680 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire

SCOTTSDALE, AZ (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Go-Video Inc. (AMEX:VCR) announced that it filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering a proposed public offering of 1.5 million shares of common stock (plus an additional 225,000 shares of common stock to cover over-allotments).

The proposed offering is expected to become effective in late January or early February 1991. H.J. Meyers & Co. Inc. will be the managing underwriter of the offering.

Copies of the prospectus can be obtained from H.J. Meyers & Co. Inc., 356 North Camden Drive, Beverly Hills, Calif. 90210 or from one's own broker. The prospectus contains financial and other information about Go-Video and about the offering.

Proceeds from the offering will be used for research and development, marketing, working capital and other general corporate purposes.

Go-Video designs, develops, markets and licenses electronic video communication products for the consumer market. The company's current primary emphasis is the marketing of a dual-deck videocassette recorder known as the VCR-2. In 1989, the VCR-2 was selected as ''one of the year's 100 most significant products and achievements'' by Popular Science magazine; in 1990, was named by Popular Electronics magazine as ''one of the best new products of the year;'' and was recently awarded by Video Magazine its VIVA award as ''one of the best new innovations of the year.''

The patented VCR-2, which incorporates proprietary circuitry and company-developed software, accomplishes in a single unit duplicating, recording and editing functions that cannot be performed by a single-deck vieocassette recorder.

The price of the new shares will be determined based upon the closing price of the shares on the American Stock Exchange on the day preceeding the sale.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective.

These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy to accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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Eric J. Schedeler, 602/998-3400
or
H.J. Meyers, Beverly Hills
Richard Rappaport, 213/278-7880
or
Strategic Growth International, New York
Richard Cooper, 212/826-9622

-30- 2890
#90360b0689 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire
NEW YORK (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - ASARCO Incorporated (NYSE:AR) Wednesday announced a two-cent increase in the domestic spot selling price of electrolytic copper.

Its new price, effective immediately, is $1.17 per pound for cathodes on a delivered basis.

ASARCO Incorporated, headquartered in New York City, is one of the world's leading integrated producers of nonferrous metals, principally copper, silver, lead, zinc and gold. Asarco also produces specialty chemicals, minerals and other industrial products and provides environmental services. Asarco had 1989 sales of $2.2 billion.

CONTACT: ASARCO Incorporated, New York
Gerard F. Corbett, 212/510-1810

-30- 847
#90360b0691 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire
TINTON FALLS, N.J. (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - December 26, 1990--Concurrent Computer Corporation announced today that it has entered into an agreement with the majority of its bank group to work towards a restructuring of its senior debt. In addition, the Company is in active negotiations with its bondholders to restructure its subordinated debt.

As a result of an agreement reached Monday, Concurrent has reduced the principal amount owed to the bank group by $1.9 million. The reduction was part of a payment due in September. That payment was delayed until a new business plan could be developed. As part of the agreement, the banks will not take any action to enforce payment of debt owed by Concurrent prior to February 1, 1991. The banks have committed to working closely with Concurrent to achieve a debt restructuring arrangement prior to February 1st.

Concurrent Computer Corporation, headquartered in Tinton Falls, New Jersey, is the leading supplier of high-performance, real-time computer systems worldwide. The company's products, marketed through the Commercial Markets, Simulation/Training and Real-Time Technical Systems Groups, provide real-time solutions to the financial, communications, public sector, technical, aerospace and simulations markets. Its common stock trades on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol CCURC.

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-30- 1658
#90360b0692 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire
STAMFORD, CONN (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Geo International Corp. announced Wednesday that it had signed a definitive agreement to sell the assets of its subsidiary, Geo Churchill Inc., to Lufkin Industries Inc.

John E. McConnaughy Jr., chairman and CEO of Geo, said in fiscal 1990 Chruchill generated revenues of approximately $5.2 million and incurred an operating loss of $700,000. Churchill manufactures pumping units for the oil and gas industry.

Lufkin, who had been a leader in oilfield pumping units since the late 1920's, plans to manufacture other products in addition to the existing product line at the Churchill facility, McConnaughy continued.

Proceeds from the sale, approximating $7.5 million in cash and cash equivalents will substantially improve Geo's liquidity. Results for 1990 included the adjustment to Geo's investment in Churchill, so no gain or loss will be recognized upon completion of the transaction. McConnaughy concluded by stating the closing is expected to occur next month.

Geo International Corp. provides equipment, inks and supplies to the graphic arts industry, production equipment and supplies to the oil and gas industry and non-destructive testing services to assure quality to many industries. Geo trades on the New York Stock Exchange and the Pacific Stock Exchange under the symbol GX.

CONTACT: Geo International Corp., Stamford W.J. Garry, 312/829-1400 (in Chicago)

-30- 1616
#90360b0696 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire
WESTPORT, CT (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Garner W. Lester, executive vice president of MECA Software Inc., announced Wednesday that consumers purchasing Version 6.0 of MANAGING YOUR MONEY after Nov. 1, 1990 will automatically be ''buyer protected'' to receive version 7.0 of the program, which is currently shipping and will be available in all outlets in January, at no additional charge.

''We have spent additional time developing what will be the most substantial update in MANAGING YOUR MONEY's history. By offering buyer protection, consumers can get started on their financial planning and be guaranteed that no matter which version of MANAGING YOUR MONEY they purchase from their retailer during the buyer protection period, MECA will ship them the updated

version free,'' said Lester.

Consumer's who wish to take advantage of MECA'S buyer protection policy must: 1) send a copy of their sales receipt dated 11/1/90 or later, 2) complete the MANAGING YOUR MONEY product registration, 3) send their registration card and sales receipt to MECA.

MECA Software Inc. is a publicly held company and is listed on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol, MECA. For more information on MECA products or to obtain a prospectus or annual report, contact MECA at 327D Riverside Ave., Westport, CT 06880. The company's telephone number is 203/222-9150.

CONTACT: HWH Enterprises Inc., New York
Bob Rinklin or Chris Wailes, 212/355-5049

-30- 1644
#90360b0702 12/26/1990 ~Business Wire

SHREWSBURY, NJ (DEC. 26) BUSINESS WIRE - Wellman Inc. (NYSE: WLM) has recently renegotiated the bank credit facility with which it financed the acquisition of Fiber Industries Inc. (FI) on Nov. 1, 1989.

The new facility provides for more liberalized financial covenants and substantially lower borrowing rates (initially 1 percent lower). The company currently has approximately $320 million of borrowings outstanding under this facility. This favorable refinancing will result in interest savings for Wellman.

As reported during the past year, cash flow from operations has permitted Wellman to make substantial repayments of its bank debt. ''Continued debt repayment, especially with the lower interest rates, will further improve Wellman's balance sheet and capitalization,'' noted Clifford J. Christenson, vice president and chief financial officer. ''Achieving such improved financing terms during the current difficult banking and economic environment demonstrates the support Wellman's commercial bankers have for the company.''

Wellman, Inc., the nation's largest recycler of post-consumer plastic soft drink bottles, fiber and film wastes, manufactures and distributes high-quailty polyester textile fibres under the Fortrel brandname and produces polyester and nylon fibres and plastic resins from its recycling operations.

Contact: Wellman Inc., Shrewsbury
Jill M. Rea, 908/542-7300

-30- 1600
#90360c0002 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 6, 1990, W.R. MACALONEY, DIR. OF CERTIFIED GROCERS OF CALIFORNIA LTD. BOUGHT 233 SHARES AT $181.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,445.

-30- 332
#90360c0003 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 6, 1990, M. NOTRICA, DIR. OF CERTIFIED GROCERS OF CALIFORNIA LTD. BOUGHT 786 SHARES AT $181.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,228.

-30- 326
#90360c0005 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, E.J. KENNEDY JR, DIR. OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 446 SHARES AT $60.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 546.

-30- 306
#90360c0006 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 29, 1990, F.W. WEBER, DIR. OF SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES CORP. BOUGHT 133 SHARES AT $50.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,731.

-30- 300
#90360c0007 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 10, 1990, P.M. LIMBERT, VP OF WESBANCO INC.(TICKER: WSBC) BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $27.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,502.

-30- 289
#90360c0008 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 15, 1990, R.H. MADSEN, PRES. OF ZION'S COOPERATIVE MERCANTILE INSTITUTION (TICKER: ZNCO) BOUGHT 1,100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,136.

-30- 371
#90360c0009 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 26, 1990, J.E. BRENNAN, PRES. OF METRO MOBILE COURTS INC. (TICKER: MMZ), BOUGHT 1,000 CLASS A SHARES AT $9.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,371,200.

-30- 339
#90360c0010 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 7, 1990, S.A. HUCKVALE, VP OF MOOG INC. (TICKER: MOG), BOUGHT 400 CLASS A SHARES AT $5.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 648.

-30- 289
#90360c0011 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 30, 1990, D.H. POWELL, OFFICER AND DIR. OF MOD U KRAF HOMES INC. (TICKER: MODU) BOUGHT 132 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 45,402.

-30- 335
#90360c0013 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT. 16, 1990, D.H. GWYNN, DIR. OF PRINCE GEORGE'S FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK (MD) BOUGHT 578 SHARES AT $20.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 578.

-30- 328
#90360c0014 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 14, 1990, A.P. LINTON, VP OF FCNB CORP SOLD 100 SHARES AT $24.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 19,306.

-30- 265
#90360c0015 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 02, 1990 TO NOV 20, 1990, FREDERICK M POSES, VP OF ALLIED SIGNAL INC. (TICKER: ALD), SOLD 11,074 SHARES FROM $26.13 TO $27.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 303
#90360c0016 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC 10, 1990 TO DEC 12, 1990, ALAN M WARREN, PRES. OF ARKLA EXPLORATION CO. (TICKER: ARK), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES FROM $12.63 TO $13.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 17,000.

-30- 351
#90360c0017 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, MARK H BOROFSKY, OFFICER OF BECTON, DICKINSON & CO. (TICKER: BDX), SOLD 332 SHARES AT $72.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,381.

-30- 326
#90360c0018 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, HERBERT D WEISS, PRES. OF BALCHEM CORP. (TICKER: BLCC), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 43,647.

-30- 298
#90360c0019 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, BURTON N NOAH, DIR. OF BMC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: BMC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,000.

-30- 300
#90360c0021 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, LAWRENCE M LIEBMAN, DIR. OF BNH BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: BNHB), BOUGHT 1,076 SHARES AT $2.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,836.

-30- 319
#90360c0022 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 03, 1990, FREDERIC W YOCUM, DIR. OF BRENCO INC. (TICKER: BREN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 297
#90360c0023 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, JAMES F LYONS, DIR. OF BIO VASCULAR INC. (TICKER: BVAS), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 305
#90360c0024 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 28, 1990, RICHARD E INGRAM, DIR. OF CAROLINA FIRST CORP. (TICKER: CAFC), BOUGHT 10,268 SHARES FROM $9.75 TO $10.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,250.

-30- 350
#90360c0025 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 12, 1990 TO NOV 14, 1990, WILLIAM R TIMMONS JR, DIR. OF CAROLINA FIRST CORP. (TICKER: CAFC), BOUGHT 3,483 SHARES FROM $9.75 TO $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 63,917.

-30- 351
#90360c0026 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, DONATO F PIZZUTI, DIR. OF CAPITOL BANCORP LTD. (TICKER: CBCL), SOLD 27,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 91,800.

-30- 353
#90360c0027 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 21, 1990 TO NOV 30, 1990, DONATO F PIZZUTI, DIR. OF CAPITOL

BANCORP LTD. (TICKER: CBCL), SOLD 13,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,000.

-30- 354
#90360c0029 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, DENNIS W CARROLL, VP OF COLONIAL GAS CO. (TICKER: CGES), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $22.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 302
#90360c0030 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 08, 1990 TO NOV 26, 1990, KATHRYN A REAVIS, OFFICER OF COMPRESSION LABORATORY INC. (TICKER: CLIX), SOLD 14,000 SHARES FROM $14.00 TO $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,986.

-30- 370
#90360c0031 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOHN P COLGLAZIER, VP OF CTS CORP. (TICKER: CTS), SOLD 1,370 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1.

-30- 302
#90360c0032 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, RAY L HUNT, DIR. OF CENTEX CORP. (TICKER: CTX), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $20.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 291
#90360c0033 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 02, 1990, CALVIN A CAMPBELL JR, DIR. OF CYPRUS MINERALS CO. (TICKER: CYM), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $14.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 321
#90360c0034 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 17, 1990, LOUIS B HORWITZ, CHAIRMAN OF DATUM INC. (TICKER: DATM), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 167,100.

-30- 308
#90360c0035 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, ALECK M MACKINNON, DIR. OF ENZON INC. (TICKER: ENZN), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $7.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 300
#90360c0037 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAY 23, 1990 TO SEP 12, 1990, WILLIAM C SHANLEY, DIR. OF FIRST EMPIRE STATE CORP. (TICKER: FES), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES FROM $54.05 TO $66.40 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,100.

-30- 356
#90360c0038 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 17, 1990, RONALD L WALLS, DIR. OF FIRST FIDELITY BANCORPORATION (NJ) (TICKER: FFB), BOUGHT 182 SHARES AT $8.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,177.

-30- 331
#90360c0039 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUL 12, 1990 TO NOV 07, 1990, ARTHUR W BIDWELL, DIR. OF FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP. (TICKER: FFBC), BOUGHT 1,650 SHARES FROM $27.00 TO $45.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,450.

-30- 362
#90360c0040 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 13, 1990, RICHARD L JOUTRAS, DIR. OF FNW BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FNWB), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $8.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 262,400.

-30- 310
#90360c0041 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, THOMAS A MCMANMON, DIR. OF GRIFFITH CONSUMERS CO. (TICKER: FUEL), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $4.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 110,000.

-30- 328
#90360c0042 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ALFRED A SLIFKA, DIR. OF GRIFFITH CONSUMERS CO. (TICKER: FUEL), BOUGHT 6,250 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 525,250.

-30- 325
#90360c0043 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, RICHARD SLIFKA, DIR. OF GRIFFITH CONSUMERS CO. (TICKER: FUEL), BOUGHT 6,250 SHARES AT $4.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 525,250.

-30- 323
#90360c0045 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 01, 1990, GEORGE F PATTERSON, DIR. OF FULTON FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: FULT), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $14.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,833.

-30- 330
#90360c0046 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 10, 1990, ALLAN WEISSGLASS, DIR. OF GATEWAY BANCORP INC. (TICKER: GBAN), BOUGHT 987 SHARES AT $9.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 42,281.

-30- 317

#90360c0047 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, ROBERT B MCDONALD, VP OF GREAT LAKES CHEMICAL CORP. (TICKER: GLK), SOLD 5,000 SHARES FROM $56.13 TO $57.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 12,760.

-30- 340
#90360c0048 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, JOHN S GODFREY, PRES. OF GOLDEN NORTH RESOURCES CORP. (TICKER: GNOX), BOUGHT 190,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 827,914.

-30- 356
#90360c0049 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 01, 1990 TO AUG 17, 1990, LAWRENCE OLECK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF INFOPAGE INC. (TICKER: CTEK), SOLD 7,500 SHARES FROM $37.50 TO $43.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600,955.

-30- 362
#90360c0050 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 29, 1990, LAWRENCE OLECK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF INFOPAGE INC. (TICKER: CTEK), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $37.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 150,000.

-30- 333
#90360c0051 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM AUG 01, 1990 TO AUG 17, 1990, THEODORE S OLECK, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF INFOPAGE INC. (TICKER: CTEK), SOLD 7,500 SHARES FROM $37.50 TO $43.43 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,600,955.

-30- 367
#90360c0053 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM OCT 29, 1990 TO NOV 05, 1990, LEE E GRAY, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF HMG COURTLAND PROPERTIES INC. (TICKER: HMG), BOUGHT 900 SHARES FROM $4.88 TO $5.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,100.

-30- 383
#90360c0054 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 31, 1990, KRUMBEIN FOUNDATION, BEN. OWNER OF HEILIG-MEYERS CO. (TICKER: HMY), BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $16.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,000.

-30- 332
#90360c0055 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1990, DOUGLASS W LIST, DIR. OF HARMON INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: HRMN), BOUGHT 800 SHARES AT $3.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,100.

-30- 305
#90360c0056 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 12, 1990, LEWIS G LYNCH JR, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL FLAVORS & FRAG"R"ANCES INC. (TICKER: IFF), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $71.06 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,312.

-30- 350
#90360c0057 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 16, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, DAVID E KAPLAN, DIR. OF INTERNATIONAL MOBILE MACHINE CORP. (TICKER: IMMC), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 71,400.

-30- 353
#90360c0058 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, J PHILLIP SAMPER, DIR. OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $32.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 200.

-30- 326
#90360c0059 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 04, 1990, JAMES S BECKWITH III, DIR. OF INTEGRA FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: ITGR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $16.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 331
#90360c0061 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, HENRY E GONZALEZ, OFFICER OF MCDONALD'S CORP. (TICKER: MCD), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $28.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,430.

-30- 313
#90360c0062 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 10, 1990, DAVID G MUSGROVE, VP OF MEDEX INC. (TICKER: MDEX), SOLD 1,000 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 18,006.

-30- 295
#90360c0063 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM MAR 20, 1990 TO MAR 21, 1990, RALPH W PRIES, VP OF MEDIQ INC. (TICKER: MED), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $3.13 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 38,750.

-30- 310
#90360c0064 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, RUSSELL VINCENT CORSINI JR, VP OF NEW ENGLAND BUSINESS SERVICE INC. (TICKER: NEBS), SOLD 2,700 SHARES AT $11.25 PER SHARE.

-30- 306
#90360c0065 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 13, 1990, RAYMOND A MASON, CHAIRMAN OF ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS CORP. (TICKER: NLCO), SOLD 12,000 SHARES AT $16.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 238,500.

-30- 343
#90360c0066 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, WILLIAM TRAW, OFFICER AND DIR. OF NATIONAL TECHNICAL SYSTEM INC. (TICKER: NTSC), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 31,862.

-30- 366
#90360c0067 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, PAUL E POTTER, DIR. OF ORBIT GAS CO (TICKER: OGHS), BOUGHT 1,050 SHARES AT $2.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,052.

-30- 302
#90360c0069 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, LOUIS A GOSSETT, VP OF PICCADILLY CAFETERIAS INC. (TICKER: PICC), BOUGHT 1,150 SHARES AT $8.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,853.

-30- 326
#90360c0070 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, DONALD I MORITZ, DIR. OF PNC FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PNC), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $24.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 939.

-30- 306
#90360c0071 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 18, 1990, EVERETT H MAYER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF PROGRESSIVE BANK INC. (TICKER: PSBK), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $2.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 21,000.

-30- 339
#90360c0072 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 09, 1990, WILLIAM T NIGHTINGALE III, VP OF PACER TECHNOLOGY (TICKER: PTCH), BOUGHT 2,666 SHARES AT $0.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 39,166.

-30- 325
#90360c0073 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, RONALD D FISHER, PRES. OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,000.

-30- 330
#90360c0074 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 06, 1990 TO NOV 19, 1990, JACK KAY, DIV. OFFICER OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,000.

-30- 352
#90360c0075 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON AUG 17, 1990, WILLIAM R HENNESSEY, DIR. OF RESPIRONICS INC. (TICKER: RESP), SOLD 310 SHARES AT $17.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 8,400.

-30- 310
#90360c0077 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 11, 1988 TO NOV 29, 1990, VICTOR SIEGEL, DIR. OF REPUBLIC SAVINGS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RSFC), BOUGHT 26,780 SHARES FROM $1.63 TO $3.78 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 44,380.

-30- 370
#90360c0078 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 29, 1990, JULIUS MARKS, DIR. OF REPUBLIC CAPITAL GROUP INC. (TICKER: RSLA), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 24,456.

-30- 327
#90360c0079 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 12, 1990, JOHN W DAVIS III, DIR. OF SALEM CARPET MILLS INC. (TICKER: SLCR), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $3.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,186.

-30- 324
#90360c0080 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1990, DANIEL R KULIK, VP OF SARA LEE CORP. (TICKER: SLE), SOLD 11,525 SHARES AT $32.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 26,243.

-30- 297
#90360c0081 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 28, 1990, KENNETH A ANDERSON, VP OF SUNRISE BANCORP INC.(KY) (TICKER: SRSL), SOLD 500 SHARES AT $11.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 40,000.

-30- 323
#90360c0082 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC 03, 1990 TO DEC 06, 1990, AVERY J STONE, DIR. OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), SOLD 113,100 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 957,394.

-30- 352
#90360c0083 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, JEROME H STONE, BEN. OWNER OF STONE CONTAINER CORP. (TICKER: STO), SOLD 1,500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,392,903.

-30- 333
#90360c0085 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, JOHN L BOYLE, VP OF ST IVES LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: SWIS), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,900.

-30- 312
#90360c0086 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 11, 1990, RONALD P MARCONET, VP OF ST IVES LABORATORIES INC. (TICKER: SWIS), BOUGHT 1,900 SHARES AT $7.44 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 6,900.

-30- 327
#90360c0087 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 28, 1990 TO NOV 29, 1990, WILLIAM MCCULLOCH, OFFICER OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS), SOLD 10,000 SHARES FROM $15.13 TO $16.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 322
#90360c0088 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 03, 1990, ERIC J SCHEDELER, PRES. OF GO VIDEO INC. (TICKER: VCR), SOLD 21,800 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 307,296.

-30- 309
#90360c0089 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 05, 1990, JERROLD B HARRIS, PRES. OF VWR CORP. (TICKER: VWRX), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $13.65 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 37,549.

-30- 293
#90360c0090 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 29, 1990, R DAVID THOMAS, CHAIRMAN OF WENDY'S INTERNATIONAL INC.

(TICKER: WEN), BOUGHT 200 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 885,731.

-30- 326
#90360c0091 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, HENRY L DIAMOND, DIR. OF WESTON (ROY F.) INC. (TICKER: WSTN), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $5.53 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,000.

-30- 318
#90360c0093 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - URCARO Inc. (CARS) was deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 20. It is now listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

The following issues were deleted from NASDAQ effective Dec. 19:

Berger Holdings Ltd. - Units 11/28/95 (BRGRU); Company request
Dallas Oil & Minerals Inc. (DOIL); Acquired by Lomak Petroleum Inc.
Firecom Inc. (FRCM); Capital and surplus below minimum
Mizlou Communications Co. - Wts B (MZLUZ); Insuff. No. of active market makers
Overmyer Corp. (OMCOQ); Capital & surplus below minimum
Raytech Corp. - Wts 1994 (RYWQC); Insuff. No. of active market makers

Spectrum Information Technologies Inc. (SPCLC); Capital & Surplus below minimum

World Container Corp. (WLRD); Same as above

-30- 874
#90360c0094 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 20:

Infinite Graphics Inc. (INFG) to (INFGC)
International Bankcard Services Corp. (IBSCC) to (IBSC)
Oak Tree Construction Computers Inc. (AOAK) to (AOAKC)
Pavichevich Brewing Co. (BRAUC) to (BRAU)
Silverside Resources Inc. (SVSFE) to (SVSRF)

The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 19:

Agrolife Corp. (FICO) to (FICOE)
Bayly Corp. (BAYL) to (BAYLQ)

Temtex Industries Inc. (TMTX) to (TMTXE)
Utilitech Inc. (UTLL) to (UTLLE)

-30- 702
#90360c0095 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 19, 1990, Meadow Group Inc.(TICKER: MDOW) appointed Richard A. Eisner & Co. as its independent accountants, replacing KPMG Peat Marwick .

KPMG Peat Marwick's report for the transition period ended Jan. 31, 1990 and the year ended July 31, 1989 contained no adverse opinion, disclaimer or qualification of opinion.

-30- 550
#90360c0096 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Nov. 30, 1990, HQ Office Supplies Warehouse Inc.(TICKER: HQOS) and Global America Inc. agreed to extend the termination date of the company's overseas private offering of units.

The termination date of the offering was extended to the earlier of i) Dec. 31 1990, or ii) the date which all remaining units have been sold.

As of the 8-K filing, dated Nov. 30, 1990, HQ Office Supplies reports it has sold 91 units for aggregate gross proceeds of $9.1 million.

-30- 716
#90360c0097 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 13, 1990, Corporate Management Group (TICKER: KORP) engaged Ernst & Young as its independent accountants, replacing Deloitte & Touche.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

The company also reports it has voted to change its fiscal year end to Dec. 31 from Jan. 31.

-30- 987
#90360c0098 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 6-K report filed at the NASD by Amertek Inc.(TICKER: ATEK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,989,291	$25,924,677
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,068,773)	$(3,621,686)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.94)	$(1.12)

NOTE: All amounts in Canadian dollars.

-30- 803
#90360c0099 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Perpetual Financial Corp.(TICKER: PFCP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Sept. 30, 1990	Three Months Ended July 31, 1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(32,485,000)	$5,010,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(2.42)	$0.29

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,238,940,000	$5,944,537,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$220,046,000	$305,898,000

-30- 860
#90360c0101 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following issues began trading on the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 20:

N.S. Bancorp Inc. (NSBI)
Wetterau Inc. - Dbs 2000 (WETTG)

-30- 283

#90360c0102 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following issues were deleted from the NASDAQ system effective Dec. 21:

ATC Environmental Inc. - Units 12/28/90 (ATCEU), Wts 12/28/90 (ATCEW); Warrants expire 12/28/90

Ciati's Inc. - Wts 1990 (CIATW); Insuff. No. of active market makers
Mizlou Communications Co. Inc. (MZLU); Same as above
Vindicator of Florida Inc. (VIFL); Issue postponed, security never quoted

-30- 527

#90360c0103 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following issues underwent name and/or symbol changes effective Dec. 21:

Financial News Network Inc. (FNNIE) to (FNNIC)
Zymos Corp. (APPN) to Appian Technology Inc. (APPN)

-30- 328

#90360c0104 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Nov. 28, 1990, Regal Communications Corp.(TICKER: RCCM) entered into a corporate finance consulting agreement with Ladenburg Thalmann & Co. under which Ladenburg was engaged as Regal's investment banker.

The agreement also provides that Ladenburg will assist Regal in arranging from the exercise of up to 944,620 redeemable common stock purchase warrants that that were issued in conjunction with Regal's initial public offering and which are due to expire on March 31, 1990.

Ladenberg will receive a fee of $25,000 plus up to an additional $50,000 in the event all of the warrants are exercised.

-30- 823

#90360c0105 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Cosmetic & Fragrance Concepts Inc.(TICKER: COSF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 28,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$75,981,000	$64,811,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,599,000	$861,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.52	$0.28
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	3,100,000	3,100,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 28, 1990	Sept. 28, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$38,243,000	$33,640,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$15,146,000	$13,547,000

-30- 1114

#90360c0106 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Frenchtex Inc.(TICKER: FRCH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended July 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,047,726	$1,014,943
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(100,707)	$127,521
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$0.10
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,851,563	1,217,926

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	July 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$22,709,965	$4,048,438
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,485,895	$3,720,602

-30- 985

#90360c0107 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 1 1990, Consolidated American Industries Inc.9TICKER: COAM) entered into an agreement with the shareholders of American Liberty Mining Corp.

Pursuant to the agreement Consolidated American will acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of American Liberty Mining in exchange for 1,008,333 shares of Consolidated American common stock (restricted under SEC rule 144) and $10,000.

American Liberty Mining is the holder of 21 unpatented mining claims in Stevens County, state of Washington, known locally as the Schumaker Mine.

-30- 786

#90360c0109 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 26) COMTEX - Framingham, Mass.-based IG Laboratories Inc. (TICKER: IGLI) has acquired Odyssey Biomedical Corp., a clinical laboratory, in a stock swap valued at $1.3 million and the assumption of $1.3 million in debt, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 24, 1990.

-30- 520

#90360c0110 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Lyric Energy Inc.(TICKER: LYRC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended July 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$44,851	$70,160
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(80,865)	$(73,893)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	July 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,032,090	$3,233,735
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(2,258,600)	$(2,177,735)

-30- 952

#90360c0111 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Highlander International Corp.(TICKER: HGHR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$464,048	$397,441

EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(30,900)	$12,088
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$9,166,666	$9,337,038
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$7,626,267	$7,657,167

-30- 974

#90360c0112 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Gold Coin Mining Inc.(TICKER: GLCN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Oct. 31, 1990	Six Months Ended Oct. 31 1990
REVENUES	$881,002	$1,910,274
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$48,351	$80,160
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,997,826	3,218,423

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$3,786,904	$1,919,008
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,794,640	$1,315,487

-30- 1112

#90360c0113 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Doctors Rehabilitation Corporation of America (TICKER: DRRC) appointed Price Waterhouse as its independent accountants effective Dec. 14.

-30- 356

#90360c0114 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Larry's Ice Cream Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$497,732	$532,468
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(234,168)	$(144,269)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.02)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,897,427	9,787,384

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,754,795	$1,986,830
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$422,043	$166,243

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#90360c0115 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest annual report filed at the NASD by Pulse Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: PULS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,944,000	$4,279,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.00	$2.20

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$315,042,000	$305,185,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$36,970,000	$36,902,000

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#90360c0117 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Partech Holdings Corp.(TICKER: APHC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$25,542,786	$32,913,984
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$226,054
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(319,984)	$999,147
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.05)	$0.18
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,931,741	5,448,926

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$473,095,997	$545,349,886
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,281,701	$6,944,544

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#90360c0118 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Oncogene Science Inc.(TICKER: ONCS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$5,638,294	$4,789,010
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(3,478,516)	$(2,395,406)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.38)	$(0.26)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,171,000	9,178,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$17,820,567	$21,375,245
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$17,311,577	$20,786,677

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#90360c0119 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Solar Financial Services Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Aug. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$508,728	$450,538
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$72,596	$71,885
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.01

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,457,431	$7,163,371
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,932,498	$1,191,995

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#90360c0120 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 14, 1990, Central Jersey Bancorp (TICKER: CJER) announced it was taking a special fourth quarter 1990 provision for loan losses of approximately $25 million.

Central Jersey anticipates that this provision will result in a loss for the fourth quarter and the full year.

Net loan charge-offs during the fourth quarter will approach $9.5 million bringing total net charge-offs for the entire year to approximately $14 million.

Central Jersey reports it anticipates its allowance for loan losses will amount to approximately $33 million at Dec. 31, 1990.

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#90360c0121 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Amacan Resources Corp.(TICKER: AMCN).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$101,065	$52,945
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$42,173	$2,783
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.02	$0.00

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,723,714	2,723,714

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$853,122	$836,904
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$765,941	$729,797

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#90360c0122 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Medical Depot Inc.(TICKER: MEDD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$179,972	$110,002
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(66,746)	$(61,794)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	17,231,707	10,944,052

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	April 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$2,100,020	$1,658,763
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$717,888	$180,685

-30- 1036

#90360c0123 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by International Cablecasting Technologies Inc. (TICKER: ICCT).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$107,045	$49,430
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(6,316,853)	$(2,859,855)

NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.32)	$(0.25)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	19,518,314	11,289,262

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,032,738	$641,218
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,253,911	$(1,832,139)

-30- 1094

#90360c0125 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Eselco Inc.(TICKER: EDSE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$6,630,416	$6,124,624
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$355,546	$323,859
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.46	$0.43
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	767,360	745,097

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$39,260,355	$39,350,447
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$27,587,505	$26,880,699

-30- 1032

#90360c0126 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest annual report filed at the NASD by Peoples Federal Savings Bank of Dekalb County. (TICKER: PFDC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$2,115,652	$2,068,771
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$2.16	$1.90
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,106,058	1,100,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$216,246,370	$210,147,131
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$29,338,585	$26,997,984

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#90360c0127 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Tabor Environmental Services Inc.(TICKER: TABR) has announced it has formed a joint venture insurance agency called National Assurance Corp.

The joint venture agency involves two London insurance companies who are members of lloyd's insurance syndicate. Headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, the agency sells underground storage tank indemnity policies to petroleum jobbers and service stations.

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#90360c0128 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Nova Natural Resources Corp.(TICKER: NOVA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$617,753	$762,642
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$36,554	$(195,572)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,404,834	5,343,946

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,642,535	$1,589,089
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,550,794	$1,504,097

-30- 1034

#90360c0129 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q

report filed at the NASD by Alco International Group Inc.(TICKER: ALIG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$3,355,017	$2,921,266
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$648,400
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(965,968)	$(755,057)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.09)	$(0.07)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	11,019,764	10,752,500

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,572,460	$2,286,813
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$792,269	$1,719,528

-30- 1085

#90360c0130 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 11, 1990, Digital Transmission Inc.(TICKER: DTIA) filed a voluntary petition under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy code.

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#90360c0131 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Rapitech System Inc.(TICKER: RPSY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$43,333	$385,750
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(357,642)	$121,573
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$0.03
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	5,191,116	3,725,995

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	July 31, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$463,168	$692,296
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$110,213	$367,855

-30- 1032
#90360c0133 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY STAHEL HARDMEYER AG OWNS 1,374,501 SHARES (11.10%) OF RATNERS GROUP PLC (TICKER: RATN) OF LONDON, ENGLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The convertible preference shares of the company were acquired pursuant to an amended and restated agreement and plan of merger, dated as of July 1, 1990, among Kay Jewelers Inc., KJ Acquisition Inc. and the Company pursuant to which merger sub was merged with and into Kay and each share of common stock was converted into the right to receive one convertible preference share with a liquidation preference of $17 per share, represented by one convertible preferred American Depositary Share. Accordingly, the 1,374,501 shares of common stock beneficially owned by Mr. Stahel were automatically converted into 1,374,501 convertible preference shares.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of beneficial shares.

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#90360c0134 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY FIRST BOSTON INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 6,177,590 SHARES (12.30%) OF AMERICAN MEDICAL HOLDINGS INC.(TICKER: AMI) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 14, 1990 MII contributed 3,899,291 shares to the capital of FB Partner by delivery of the stock certificates and stock powers executed in blank; FB Partner and MII executed an assumption agreement dated as of Dec. 14, 1990, whereby FB Partner assumed the obligations of MII with respect to the shares under the stockholders agreement; FB Partner contributed 3,899,291 shares to the capital of MBLP, and they executed an assumption agreement dated as of Dec. 14, 1990, whereby MBLP assumed the obligations of FB Partner with respect

to the shares under the stockholders agreement; MII contributed 1,567,786 shares to the capital of MBLP and the two parties executed an assumption agreement whereby MBLP assumed the obligations of MII with respect to the shares under the stockholders agreement; and, pursuant to an Indenture dated Dec. 14, 1990, between MBLP and State Street Bank and Trust Co., MBLP pledged as collateral security to the indenture trustee the 5,467,077 shares MBLP received from MII and FB Partner to secure MBLP's obligations under the Indenture and the debt securities issued.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1525
#90360c0135 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY FIRST BOSTON SECURITIES CORP. OWNS 13,604,059 SHARES (62.90%) OF FIRST BRANDS CORP.(TICKER: FBR) OF DANBURY, CONNECTICUT.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Pursuant to a proxy executed on Dec. 14, 1990, by MGP, MGP transferred to FB Partner voting rights in respect of the 4,465,432 shares registered in the name of MGP. FB Partner transferred the proxy to MBLP. Pursuant to a proxy executed on Dec. 14, 1990, by MLBO, MLBO transferred to FB Partner voting rights for 63,900 shares registered in the name of MLBO and FB Partner, pursuant to an express provision in such proxy permitting assignment to MBLP, transferred the proxy to MBLP. Pursuant to a collateral management agreement between MBLP and CSFBMB, MBLP grated to CSFBMB the power to vote and dispose of 4,529,332 shares subject to certain restrictions contained in the Indenture and which shares have been pledged pursuant to the Indenture.

PURPOSE:

Transfer of shares.

-30- 1173
#90360c0136 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

SINGAPORE TELECOM OWNS 1,000,000 SHARES (14.30%) OF EXECUTIVE TELECARD LTD.

(TICKER: EXTL) OF NANUET, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 6, 1990, Singapore Telecom purchased 1,000,000 shares of Executive Telecard LTD. in a private placement at a purchase price of $5 per share, or aggregately $5,000,000.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 558
#90360c0137 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

AZIMUTH CAPITAL CORP. OWNS 3,002,000 SHARES (42.60%) OF CLARK MELVIN SECURITIES CORP.(TICKER: CLML) OF ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Clark Melvin Securities Corp. and Azimuth have entered into a stock exchange agreement as of Aug. 27, 1990, whereby Clark Melvin Securities Corp. will exchange 18,000,000 shares of its common stock in exchange for all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Azimuth. Mr. Lawrence T. Lewis, III, current President and Chief Executive Office of Clark Melvin Securities Corp., has agreed to vote his shares of common stock of Clark Melvin Securities Corp. in favor of the amendment to the Clark Melvin Securities Corp.'s charter increasing the number of authorized shares of common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

At an undisclosed date, Azimuth Capital Corp. purchased an additional 1,000,000 shares of Clark Melvin Securities Corp.'s common stock for an aggregate purchase price of $165,000.

PURPOSE:

Preliminaries to consummation of stock exchange agreement.

-30- 1252
#90360c0138 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On or about Dec. 18, 1990, Jane Rockford, as trustee of the Michael J. Rockford Trust, filed a purported class action on behalf of public stockholders of the Company in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California entitled Rockford v. MCA Inc.(TICKER: MCA), Matsushita Acquisition Corp., Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd., Matsushita Holding Corp., and Lew R. Wasserman, Dkt. No. 90-6774, seeking preliminary and permanent injunctive relief and other relief against the Parent, Holding and the Purchaser. Also, Maurice Karlin, Ruth Karlin, Beth Ann Karlin and Bert P. Karlin filed a purported class action on behalf of public stockholders of the Company in the U.S. District Court of the Central District of California entitled Karlin v. MCA Inc., Matsushita Acquisition Corp., Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd., Matsushita Holding Corp. and Lew R. Wasserman, Dkt. No. 90-6775, seeking preliminary and permanent injunctive relief and other relief against the Parent, Holding and the Purchaser. In a press release dated Dec. 20, 1990, MCA Inc. and Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. jointly announced that the federal district court in Arizona has, after a hearing, denied GO-Video's request for a temporary restraining order against the acquisition of MCA by Matsushita.

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#90360c0139 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Dec. 24, 1990, AT&T announced that the Justice Department has completed its antitrust review of AT&T's cash tender offer for the shares of NCR Corp.(TICKER: NCR) without issuing a request for additional information and on Dec. 21, 1990, the waiting period expired for the acquisition of shares pursuant to the offer under the Hart-Scott-rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976. On Dec. 19, 1990, Louis V. Gerstner Jr., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of RJR Nabisco Inc., became a director of AT&T.

-30- 764
#90360c0142 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

M. HOWARD OWNS 310,800 SHARES (9.50%) OF EHRLICH BOBER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: EB) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Dec. 10-21, 1990, M. Howard purchased 310,800 shares for $.10 to $.44 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 461
#90360c0143 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY COMMONWEALTH ASSOCIATES OWNS 570,782 SHARES (20.50%) OF AMERICAN BODY ARMOR & EQUIPMENT INC.(TICKER: ABAE) OF YULEE, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Dec. 15, 1990, the common shares of the American Body Armor & Equipment Inc. became registered with the SEC. The Commonwealth Associates acquired 470,782 common shares on Mar. 12, 1990 from StanChart Business Credit Inc. and Unifast Industries Inc. The Commonwealth Associates have entered into various agreements limiting the disposition or transfer of such shares. The company has granted an option to Commonwealth to purchase 25,000 shares for four years from Nov. 21, 1991 at $5.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 927
#90360c0144 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY E.R. DOWNE JR. OWNS 1,674,250 SHARES (62.40%) OF AMERICAN BODY ARMOR & EQUIPMENT INC.(TICKER: ABAE) OF YULEE, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Effective Dec. 15, 1990, the American Body Armor & Equipment Inc.'s common stock became registered with the SEC. The E.R. Downe Jr.s acquired 1,386,250 common shares on Mar. 12, 1990 from StanChart Business Credit Inc. and Unifast Industries Inc. for $2,957,733. The E.R. Downe Jr.s have entered into various agreements limiting the disposition or transfer of such shares. The company issued 75,000 shares to Edward Downe in Nov. 1990 in consideration for services rendered to the company.

PURPOSE:

For investment and to acquire control.

-30- 922
#90360c0145 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

S. STROBER OWNS 1,277,668 SHARES (25.10%) OF STROBER ORGANIZATION INC. (TICKER: STRB) OF BROOKLYN, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 14, 1990, the company granted to Ms. Strober a warrant to purchase 300,000 shares exercisable at $3.25 per share pursuant to an agreement dated Nov. 8, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 535
#90360c0146 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 14

GABELLI PERFORMANCE PARTNERSHIP OWNS 209,900 SHARES (31.55%) OF LVI GROUP INC. (TICKER: LVI) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Gabelli Performance Partnership sold 16,000 shares on Dec. 20, 1990 for $.165 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 479
#90360c0147 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

RHONE-POULENC SA OWNS 45,834,731 SHARES (67.00%) OF RHONE-POULENC RORER INC. (TICKER: RPR).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The stake of Rhone-Poulenc SA has decreased due to the issuance and sale by the company on Dec. 20, 1990 of an additional 1,610,880 common shares.

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#90360c0148 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 24, 1990, Pharmacia AB (TICKER: PHAB) filed a certification of termination of registration with the SEC with respect to its unrestricted B shares, the only class of shares registered.

PURPOSE:

Termination of registration.

-30- 467
#90360c0150 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY J. DURBETAKI OWNS 642,900 SHARES (8.50%) OF INTELLIGENT SYSTEMS MASTER LP (TICKER: INP) OF NORCROSS, GEORGIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Durbateki and Tanous are senior executives of OrCad, an operating company

controlled by Intelligent Systems Master LP. They have become troubled with the management policies of Intelligent Systems Master LP with respect to OrCad and have engaged in discussions with Intelligent Systems Master LP concerning such policies and a possible management led buyout of OrCad.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J. Durbetaki, et al. purchased 611,400 units from Nov. 16 to Dec. 20, 1990 for $1 to $1.50 per unit.

PURPOSE:

For investment and possible management-led buyout.

-30- 924
#90360c0151 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

EY HOLDINGS INC. OWNS 2,522,800 SHARES (80.10%) OF CROWN BRANDS INC. (TICKER: CRON) OF MAYWOOD, NEW JERSEY.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

EY Holding Inc. holds 80 percent of H.H.R. Food Industries Inc., who in turn holds 2,522,800 shares of Crown Brands Inc.. The shares were acquired pursuant to an asset purchase agreement dated Mar. 26, 1990, between EY and AP Industries Inc., but the shares were not transferred until Dec. 13, 1990 because of a subsequent filing of an involuntary chapter 7 bankruptcy petition against Industries, which was superseded by the voluntary commencement of a chapter 11 case.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 838
#90360c0152 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

J.M. POSS OWNS 25,640 SHARES (.40%) OF AMTECH CORP.(TICKER: AMTC) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

J.M. Poss is a member of a group that holds from .4 to 10 percent each of Amtech Corp. shares each.

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#90360c0153 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

H.R. PEROT OWNS 270,419 SHARES (4.20%) OF AMTECH CORP.(TICKER: AMTC) OF DALLAS TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

H.R. Perot is a member of a group that holds from .4 to 10 percent each of Amtech Corp. shares each.

-30- 398
#90360c0154 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

H.R. PEROT OWNS 78,480 SHARES (1.20%) OF AMTECH CORP.(TICKER: AMTC) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

H.R. Perot is a member of a group that holds from .4 to 10 percent each of Amtech Corp. shares each.

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#90360c0155 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.W. ANDERSON OWNS 30,663 SHARES (6.70%) OF FIRSTSOUTH BANCORP. INC. OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

J.W. Anderson purchased 30,663 shares for $5.40 per share in the initial

public offering held on Dec. 13, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

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#90360c0156 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

H. RADCLIFFE OWNS 35,998 SHARES (7.80%) OF FIRSTSOUTH BANCORP. INC. OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

H. Radcliffe purchased 35,998 shares for $5.40 per share in the initial public offering held on Dec. 13, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 474
#90360c0158 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The purchase of 2,051,212 shares was reported Dec. 28, 1989. Ratliff attempted to transfer the shares on the books of the corporation in Oct. 1990. The corporation informed Ratliff that the shares are subject to a buy-sell agreement, and that the corporation is interpreting the agreement to prevent sales of the shares to Ratliff. Ratliff and the original owner, Blackburn & Co., agreed to void the transaction of Dec. 1989.

-30- 663
#90360c0159 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

MOBLEY ADVISORS INC. OWNS 2,010,750 SHARES (50.00%) OF EXECUTIVE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORP. OF LAKELAND, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mobley Advisors Inc. received the shares on Dec. 15, 1990 in settlement of an obligation due, with a settlement price of $20,000, from Blackburn & Co.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 532
#90360c0160 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

B. MANTEL OWNS 1,039,700 SHARES (16.98%) OF LODGISTIX INC.(TICKER: LDGX) OF WICHITA, KANSAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 15, 1990, Mr. Mantel entered into agreements with Frank Morrisroe, Paul Hammar, both of Wichita, Kansas, and NCBC, a California partnership, pursuant to which 250,000, 250,000 and 500,000 shares of Mantel's Lodgistix common stock are to be sold to Messrs. Morrissroe, Hammar, and NCB for $125,000, $125,000 and $240,000, respectively, payable on or before Dec. 31, 1990 and in the case of NCBC, payable within 15 days after the consummation of the merger by and between Lodgistix and Sulcus Systems Inc., which merger is anticipated to be effective prior to March 31, 1991. The shares to be purchased by NCBC Partnership are subject to an irrevocable proxy, date Dec. 15, 1990, give by Mantel to Paul Hammar for the purpose of voting in favor of the proposed merger between Lodgistix and Sulcus Systems Inc. The irrevocable proxy, the three agreements, and 1,000,000 of Lodgistix common stock owned by Mr. Mantel have been placed in escrow, pursuant to an escrow agreement dated Dec. 15, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 1355
#90360c0161 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY CP HOLDINGS LTD. OF WATFORD, ENGLAND OWNS 780,533 SHARES (54.84%) OF IIC INDUSTRIES INC.(TICKER: IICR) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Keyon has decided to implement the proposal adopted at a special meeting of IIC shareholders on Sept. 29, 1982 to deregister IIC as an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended. As a result, IIC filed a deregistration application with the SEC on Nov. 23, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 1, 1990 through Nov. 29, 1990, CP Holdings LTD. purchased 32,700 shares at a price of $16.50 to $20 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 852
#90360c0162 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 16

GROUP LED BY GABELLI FUNDS INC. OWNS 659,903 SHARES (5.01%) OF LAMSON & SESSIONS CO.(TICKER: LMS) OF CLEVELAND, OHIO.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 5, 1990 through Dec. 20, 1990, Gabelli Funds, et al. purchased 70,800 at a price of $3.75 to $4.50 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 505
#90360c0163 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.G. BUCHERER OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA OWNS 1,622,901 SHARES (13.10%) OF

RATNERS GROUP PLC.(TICKER: RATN) OF LONDON, ENGLAND.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The convertible preference shares of the company were acquired pursuant to an amended and restated agreement and plan of merger, dated as of July 1, 1990, among Kay Jewelers Inc. , KJ Acquisition Inc. and the Company pursuant to which merger sub was merged with and into Kay and each share of common stock was converted into the right to receive one convertible preference share with a liquidation preference of $17 per share, represented by one convertible preferred American Depositary Share. Accordingly, as a result of the merger the 1,622,901 shares of common stock beneficially owned by Mr. Bucherer were automatically converted into 1,622,901 convertible preference shares.

PURPOSE:

Stock conversion pursuant to merger agreement.

-30- 1108
#90360c0164 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 787,385 CLASS A SHARES (12.02%) OF OUTLET COMMUNICATIONS INC.(TICKER: OCOM) OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 14, 1990 through Dec. 20, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc. purchased 115,800 shares at a price of $8.75 to $9.75 per share; sold 4,500 shares at a price of $8.19 to $10 per share and disposed the beneficial ownership of 26,500 shares.

-30- 633
#90360c0166 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEHRMAN CHARLOTTE F EST OF P.O. BOX 1804, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20013, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 CLASS A SHARES OF GIANT FOOD INC. (TICKER: GFS) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 20, 1990.

(GIANT FOOD INC. TEL: 301 341-4100)

-30- 429
#90360c0167 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERNEST V JARVIS OF 1831 WEST SEQUOIA, ORANGE, CA 92668, HAS FILED TO SELL 27,000 SHARES OF BIRTCHER MEDICAL SYS INC. (TICKER: BIRT) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(BIRTCHER MEDICAL SYS INC. TEL: 714 753-9400)

-30- 433
#90360c0168 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHELE A FREEDMAN OF 12455 SPRING CREEK RD, PARKER, CO 80135, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF WILLIAMS CONTROLS INC. (TICKER: WMCO) THROUGH WILLIAM BARTON FINL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(WILLIAMS CONTROLS INC. TEL: 303 841-5018)

-30- 436
#90360c0169 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRADLEY D GOLDEN OF 9680 WOODHENGE CT, BURKE, VA 22015, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,877 SHARES OF CONVERGENT SOLUTIONS INC. (TICKER: CSOL) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CONVERGENT SOLUTIONS INC. TEL: 201 290-0090)

-30- 435
#90360c0170 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK L KRAMER OF 12543 A EAST PACIFIC CR IRCLE, AURORA, CO 80014, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000,000 SHARES OF FI-TEK III INC. (TICKER: VSIT) THROUGH WILLIAM BARTON FINL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(FI-TEK III INC. TEL: 404 242-7566)

-30- 421
#90360c0171 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALBERT D KERN OF 3488 LADY HILL RD, SAN DIEGO, CA 92130, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF MYCOGEN CORP (TICKER: MYCO) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(MYCOGEN CORP TEL: 619 453-8030)

-30- 386
#90360c0172 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL T PESCHEL OF 28 INDIAN ORCHARD RD, LAKEVILLE, CT 06039, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF HIPOTRONICS INC. (TICKER: HIP) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(HIPOTRONICS INC. TEL: 914 279-8091)

-30- 414
#90360c0174 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - O Q QUICK OF 19838 CREEKROUND AVE, BATON ROUGE, LA 70817, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF HIBERNIA CORP. (TICKER: HIB) THROUGH HIBERNIA INVSTMNT SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(HIBERNIA CORP. TEL: 504 586-5356)

-30- 403
#90360c0175 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD WUNDERLICH OF 135 E BALTIMORE ST, BALTIMORE, MD 21202, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF BROWN (ALEX) INC. (TICKER: ABSB) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(BROWN (ALEX) INC. TEL: 301 727-1700)

-30- 415
#90360c0176 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER N YIANILOS OF 2648 N E 37 DR, FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33308, HAS FILED TO SELL 21,243 SHARES OF FRANKLIN ELECTRONIC PUBLISHERS I (TICKER: FPUB) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(FRANKLIN ELECTRONIC PUBLISHERS I TEL: 609 261-4800)

-30- 460
#90360c0177 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LESTER A WARD OF 19930 STONY POINT WAY, GERMANTOWN, MD 20874, HAS FILED TO SELL 86,825 SHARES OF AGRIPOST INC. (TICKER: AGRI) THROUGH G K SCOTT CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(AGRIPOST INC. TEL: 305 971-9167)

-30- 396
#90360c0178 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAROL L KELLER OF 9911 LA VINE ST, ALTA LOMA, CA 91701, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,750 SHARES OF AKORN INC. (TICKER: AKRN) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(AKORN INC. TEL: 504 893-9300)

-30- 391
#90360c0179 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GENERAL ATLANTIC GRP LTD OF 8615 WESTWOOD CENTER DR, VIENNA, VA 22182, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF LEGENT CORP. (TICKER: LGNT) THROUGH WERTHEIM SCHRODER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 20, 1990.

(LEGENT CORP. TEL: 703 734-9494)

-30- 423
#90360c0180 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WARBURG PINCUS CAP CO LP OF 466 LEXINGTON AVE, 0, NEW YORK, NY 10017, HAS FILED TO SELL 250,000 SHARES OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. (TICKER: UNIH) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 20, 1990.

(UNITED HEALTHCARE CORP. TEL: 612 936-1200)

-30- 454

#90360c0182 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CHARLES MARTIN SIEGEL OF 207 BLUFF GARDEN CIRCLE, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78216, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF 50-OFF STORES INC. (TICKER: FOFF) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 19, 1990.

(50-OFF STORES INC. TEL: 512 653-8000)

-30- 432
#90360c0183 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES R HAYS OF 3878 HIGHGATE, MUSKEGON, MI 49441, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF KAYDON CORP. (TICKER: KDON) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 20, 1990.

(KAYDON CORP. TEL: 616 755-3741)

-30- 384
#90360c0184 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HERBERT J BELLUCCI OF 859 CARNATION COURT, LOS ALTOS, CA 94022, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF LASERSCOPE (TICKER: LSCP) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 19, 1990.

(LASERSCOPE TEL: 408 943-0636)

-30- 401
#90360c0185 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER G ALLEN OF 1129 NORTH EDISON ST, MILWAUKEE, WI 53202, HAS FILED TO SELL 36,000 SHARES OF PACIFICORP (TICKER: PPW) THROUGH ROBERT W BAIRD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 20, 1990.

(PACIFICORP TEL: 503 731-2000)

-30- 396
#90360c0186 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VINCENT L KONTNY OF 10255 OVERHILL DR, SANTA ANA, CA 92705, HAS FILED TO

SELL 18,000 SHARES OF FLUOR CORP. (TICKER: FLR) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 20, 1990.

(FLUOR CORP. TEL: 714 975-6995)

-30- 396
#90360c0187 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EXECUTIVE LIFE INS CO NY OF 390 NORTH BROADWAY, JERICHO, NY 11753, HAS FILED TO SELL 108,013 SHARES OF IDEX CORP. (TICKER: IEX) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 20, 1990.

(IDEX CORP. TEL: 312 498-7070)

-30- 411
#90360c0188 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EDWARD R KOEPFLER OF 315 WILMINGTON CT, WOODSTOCK, IL 60098, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,624 SHARES OF SYSTEM SOFTWARE ASSOCS INC. (TICKER: SSAX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 20, 1990.

(SYSTEM SOFTWARE ASSOCS INC. TEL: 312 641-2900)

-30- 450
#90360c0190 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT P LUCIANO OF P O BOX 605, NEW VERNON, NJ 07976, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF SCHERING-PLOUGH CORP. (TICKER: SGP) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 20, 1990.

(SCHERING-PLOUGH CORP. TEL: 201 882-7000)

-30- 415
#90360c0191 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAMERON ASSOCIATES INC OF ONE MADISON AVE 18, A-TOWER, NEW YORK, NY 10010, HAS FILED TO SELL 18,000 SHARES OF SGI INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SGII) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(SGI INTERNATIONAL TEL: 619 452-0841)

-30- 434
#90360c0192 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANLEY CORP OF 4426 TYNE BLVD, NASHVILLE, TN 37215, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF REN CORP. USA (TICKER: RENL) THROUGH EQUITABLE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(REN CORP. USA TEL: 615 352-7991)

-30- 382
#90360c0193 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HENRY M HELGEN III OF 2630 NIGHTENGALE CIRCLE, CHASKA, MN 55318, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS INC. (TICKER: EBPI) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS INC. TEL: 612 546-4353)

-30- 445
#90360c0194 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FINANCIERE DESUEZ COMPAGNIE OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,253 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 424
#90360c0195 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID S BOYER OF 306 LAUREL LN, HAVERFORD, PA 19041, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF TELEFLEX INC. (TICKER: TFX) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(TELEFLEX INC. TEL: 215 948-5100)

-30- 395

#90360c0196 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD F SHERMAN OF P O BOX 23146, 0, ANCHORAGE, KY 40223, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF RALLY'S INC. (TICKER: RLLY) THROUGH SAN JACINTO SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 14, 1990.

(RALLY'S INC. TEL: 502 245-8900)

-30- 401
#90360c0198 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PENROSE LULETA TTEE OF 1220 CHARLESTON RD, MTN VIEW, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

-30- 406
#90360c0199 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARILYN TSAPIS OF 1113 TAUGHANNOCK BLVD, ITHACA, NY 14850, HAS FILED TO SELL 38,246 SHARES OF DIVI HOTELS N.V. (TICKER: DVH) THROUGH ADVEST INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(DIVI HOTELS N.V. TEL: 607 277-3484)

-30- 402
#90360c0200 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GORDON J MCLENITHAN OF 3920 PARK AVE, EDISON, NJ 08820, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF DATAFLEX CORP. (TICKER: DFLX) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(DATAFLEX CORP. TEL: 201 321-1100)

-30- 403
#90360c0201 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MARTIN C SHAPIRO OF 140 OX HILL RD, NORWICH, CT 06360, HAS FILED TO SELL

14,457 SHARES OF NORWICH FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: NSSB) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(NORWICH FINANCIAL CORP. TEL: 203 889-2621)

-30- 429
#90360c0202 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - YANG S TAN OF 1209 ORANGE ST, WILMINGTON, DE 19801, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,200 SHARES OF ADVANCED LOGIC RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: AALR) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 14, 1990.

(ADVANCED LOGIC RESEARCH INC. TEL: 714 581-6770)

-30- 428
#90360c0203 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL J TERRA OF 990 SKOKIE BLVD, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: LAW) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(LAWTER INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 312 498-4700)

-30- 420
#90360c0204 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RALPH WHITAKER VOORHEES OF 316 LINCOLN AVE, HIGHLAND PARK, NJ 08904, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES INC. (TICKER: ASAI) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES INC. TEL: 404 996-4562)

-30- 465
#90360c0206 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GREG RIKER OF 14800 164TH PLACE NE, WOODINVILLE, WA 98072, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,563 SHARES OF ELECTRONIC ARTS (TICKER: ERTS) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(ELECTRONIC ARTS TEL: 415 571-7171)

-30- 405
#90360c0207 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BRIAN L ADDISON OF 6534 NOVAK WOODS COURT, BURKE, VA 22015, HAS FILED TO SELL 53,890 SHARES OF CONVERGENT SOLUTIONS INC. (TICKER: CSOL) THROUGH CHARLES SCHWAB & CO.. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CONVERGENT SOLUTIONS INC. TEL: 201 290-0090)

-30- 440
#90360c0208 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GLORIA LANDY OF 20 TUXEDO RD, RUMSON, NJ 07760, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,000 SHARES OF MONMOUTH REAL ESTATE INV CORP. (TICKER: MNRT) THROUGH SMITH BARNEY. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(MONMOUTH REAL ESTATE INV CORP. TEL: 201 542-4927)

-30- 431
#90360c0209 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MURPHY DAVID L CHILDRENS TRUST OF 4060 WHITTER BLVD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90023, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF CENTURY MEDICORP. (TICKER: CEMC) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CENTURY MEDICORP. TEL: 213 266-1254)

-30- 455
#90360c0210 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARIS NEWTON OF 505 EAST JACKSON ST, TAMPA, FL 33602, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF ASSIX INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: ASIX) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(ASSIX INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 813 224-0228)

-30- 420

#90360c0211 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R G KITTRELL JR OF P O BOX 139, 0, HENDERSON, NC 27536, HAS FILED TO SELL 68,113 SHARES OF ROSE'S STORES INC. (TICKER: RSTO) THROUGH INTERSTATE JOHNSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(ROSE'S STORES INC. TEL: 919 430-2600)

-30- 414
#90360c0212 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - R G KITTRELL JR OF P O BOX 139, 0, HENDERSON, NC 27536, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,567 SHARES OF ROSE'S STORES INC. (TICKER: RSTO) THROUGH INTERSTATE JOHNSON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(ROSE'S STORES INC. TEL: 919 430-2600)

-30- 414
#90360c0214 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL P GEISBERG OF 80 DORCAR ST, NEWTON, MA 02159, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,000 SHARES OF PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: PMTC) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(PARAMETRIC TECHNOLOGY CORP. TEL: 617 894-7111)

-30- 434
#90360c0215 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THOMAS S KENAN III OF P O BOX 2729, 0, CHAPEL HILL, NC 27514, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,540 SHARES OF KENAN TRANSPORT CO. (TICKER: KTCO) THROUGH MCDANIEL LEWIS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(KENAN TRANSPORT CO. TEL: 919 967-0618)

-30- 420
#90360c0216 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN L ROGLIERI OF 16 PARK ST, TENAFLY, NJ 07670, HAS FILED TO SELL

70,000 SHARES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. (TICKER: AARC) THROUGH ROBERT TODD FINANCIAL. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 20, 1990.

(AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CORP. TEL: 213 595-0701)

-30- 425
#90360c0217 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT C DALESIO OF 1251 WEST KY AVE, DENVER, CO 80223, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF RYAN-MURPHY INC. (TICKER: RMII) THROUGH VENTURE TRADING INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 20, 1990.

(RYAN-MURPHY INC. TEL: 303 293-3835)

-30- 408
#90360c0218 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - FRANK J KIRCHNER OF 297 PEARL AVE, ROCHESTER, NY 14622, HAS FILED TO SELL 7,799 SHARES OF MOSCOM CORP. (TICKER: MSCM) THROUGH BRIGHTON SECS CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 20, 1990.

(MOSCOM CORP. TEL: 716 385-6440)

-30- 394
#90360c0219 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - KENILWORTH TR OF 245 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10167, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. (TICKER: BSC) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. TEL: 212 272-2000)

-30- 434
#90360c0220 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - NORTHWOOD VENTURES OF C/O DELPHI ASSET MNGMT, 485 MADISON AVE, 20TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10022, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. (TICKER: MAWS) THROUGH REYNOLDS DEWITT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 18, 1990.

(MID-AMERICAN WASTE SYS INC. TEL: 614 833-9155)

-30- 486
#90360c0222 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JAMES SHANAHAN OF 14 MAPLE PARKWAY, SPARTA, NJ 07871, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,303 SHARES OF FOOTE CONE & BELDING COMMUNICATI (TICKER: FCB) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 20, 1990.

(FOOTE CONE & BELDING COMMUNICATI TEL: 312 751-7000)

-30- 454
#90360c0223 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JULIE M BAUGHN OF 10045 41ST AVE NE, SEATTLE, WA 98115, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,200 SHARES OF NORDSTROM INC. (TICKER: NOBE) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 20, 1990.

(NORDSTROM INC. TEL: 206 628-2111)

-30- 393
#90360c0224 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVE L HUI OF 48431 MILMONT DR, FREMONT, CA 94538, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: EVRX) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 20, 1990.

(EVEREX SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 498-1111)

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#90360c0225 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PETER G IMPERIALE OF C/O NAZEM & CO, 600 MADISON AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10022 HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF CIRRUS LOGIC INC. (TICKER: CRUS) THROUGH DONALDSON LUFKIN. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 17, 1990.

(CIRRUS LOGIC INC. TEL: 408 945-8300)

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#90360c0226 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - THEODORE M FUJIOKA OF 215 N W 78TH ST, VANCOUVER, WA 98665, HAS FILED TO SELL 56,250 SHARES OF PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: PSIX) THROUGH NELSON SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(PERIPHERAL SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 503 275-6438)

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#90360c0227 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID W BRENNER OF 1500 LAND TITLE BLDG, BROAD ST, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19110, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. (TICKER: FXBC) THROUGH LEGG MASON WOOD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(EXECUFIRST BANCORP INC. TEL: 215 564-3300)

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#90360c0228 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - GRAHAM BETSY S REV TRUST OF 100 GREAT MEADOW RD, PUTNAM PARK, SUITE 104, WETHERFIELD, CT 06109, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,750 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH J W GARRETT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2409)

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#90360c0230 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - EUGENE J MEYER OF P O BOX 1827, SHOW LOW, AZ 85901, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF MACLAND INC. (TICKER: MACL) THROUGH WESTOK SECURITIES INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(MACLAND INC. TEL: 602 820-5802)

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#90360c0231 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELLEN LIEBERMAN OF 1641 THIRD AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10128, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,667 SHARES OF MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. (TICKER: MSCX) THROUGH FAHNESTOCK & CO INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(MEMBERS SERVICE CORP. TEL: 000 000-0000)

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#90360c0232 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HUGH W GORDON OF 930 BRIAR RIDGE, 0, HOUSTON, TX 77057, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF O.I. CORP. (TICKER: OICO) THROUGH ROTAN MOSLE INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 11, 1990.

(O.I. CORP. TEL: 409 690-1711)

-30- 382
#90360c0233 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 11, 1990, WILLIAM R TIMMONS JR, DIR. OF CAROLINA FIRST CORP. (TICKER: CAFC), BOUGHT 2,653 SHARES AT $10.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 60,434.

-30- 324
#90360c0234 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 23, 1990, JOSEPH E DANDREA, VP OF HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC. (TICKER: HBAN), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $11.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 11,414.

-30- 324
#90360c0235 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, FRANK R JONES, OFFICER AND DIR. OF IMRE CORP. (TICKER: IMRE), BOUGHT 8,677 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 863,363.

-30- 319
#90360c0236 12/26/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 20, 1990, LOIS H YOSHIDA, VP OF IMRE CORP. (TICKER: IMRE), BOUGHT 12,770 SHARES AT $0.30 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 361,170.

-30- 296
#90360c0238 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, ROCKWELL INTL CORP ESP, BEN. OWNER OF ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORP. (TICKER: ROK), BOUGHT 687 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 25,212,839.

-30- 362
#90360c0239 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

L.M. ROSS OWNS 1,190,400 SHARES (9.80%) OF HOTEL INVESTORS (TICKER: HOT) OF WOODLAND HILLS, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a letter dated Dec. 21, 1990, L.M. Ross made a proposal to Hotel Investors which would result in the acquisition of all of the Hotel Investors's shares by an existing or new affiliate corporation of L.M. Ross. Pursuant to the offer, the Hotel Investors would be merged with one of the Ross Entities, and the Hotel Investors's shareholders would receive cash in the amount of $1.25 per share and the stock of a newly formed subsidiary into which all of the assets associated with the Bourbon Street and King 8 Hotel and Gambling Hall will have been placed free and clear of mortgage debt and the shares of such newly formed corporation would be registered. The offer expires Jan. 15, 1990 and is not subject to any financing contingency.

PURPOSE:

Offer to purchase.

-30- 1109
#90360c0240 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 32

GROUP LED BY AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP. OF CINCINNATI, OHIO OWNS 2,723,918 SHARES (42.30%) OF THE PENN CENTRAL CORP.(TICKER: PC) OF CINCINNATI, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Dec. 18, 1990, American Financial Corp. announced that its board has approved an offer to purchase up to 5 million shares of the company's common stock at a price of $21 per share in cash. The offer will be commenced as promptly as practicable by a mailing to shareholders and will not be contingent upon any minimum number of shares being tendered. The company will reserve the right to purchase up to an additional 1 million shares of common stock if the offer is oversubscribed. American Financial Corp. has indicated that it does not intend to tender any of its Penn Central shares.

PURPOSE:

Approval of offer to purchase.

-30- 1049
#90360c0241 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

D.A. STRAZ JR. OWNS 342,749 SHARES (8.79%) OF CENVEST INC.(TICKER: CBCT) OF MERIDEN, CONNECTICUT.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 30, 1990 through Dec. 12, 1990, D.A. Straz Jr. disposed of 30,000 shares at a price of $1.44 to $1.51 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 471
#90360c0242 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

A.J. SALAMAN OF CHERRY HILL, NEW JERSEY OWNS 216,003 SHARES (1.90%) OF NATIONAL MEDIA CORP.(TICKER: NM) OF PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

A previously reported option to purchase 68,250 shares of common stock expired on Nov. 22, 1990.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 8, 1990 through Dec. 6, 1990, A.J. Salaman has sold 812,273 shares at undisclosed prices.

PURPOSE:

Disposition of shares.

-30- 619
#90360c0243 12/26/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 9

STOREBRAND AMERICA INC. OWNS 2,963,100 SHARES (49.90%) OF BELVEDERE CORP. (TICKER: BLV) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Dec. 20, 1990, Storebrand America Inc. announced that it will buy up to 290,000 additional shares of the common stock of Belvedere Corp. Storebrand currently owns 49.9 percent of Belvedere's common stock, and pursuant to a 1989 agreement with Belvedere is authorized to purchase up to an additional 5 percent. Storebrand America is a subsidiary of the Storebrand Companies based in Oslo, Norway.

-30- 758
#90360d0840 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 26) - A Soviet university student has gone on trial on charges of slandering President Mikhail Gorbachev, Tass news agency has reported here.

Tamara Tselikova, from Tver (formely Kalinin) 150 kms north of Moscow, was arrested on September 29 for pasting leaflets which said that "Gorbachev has smeared his hands in blood in Baku and Tbilisi and is a fascist criminal, just like Lenin, Stalin or Krushchev".

About 100 people were killed last January when troops forced their way into Baku, Azerbaijan, to prevent the collapse of Soviet power and some 20 died in Tbilisi, Georgia, in the spring of 1989 when troops broke up a nationalist demonstration.

Ms. Tselikova, who is a member of the opposition Democratic Union, was freed after interrogation and appeared before a magistrate in Tver Tuesday.

The trial was expected to last until Thursday, Tass said.

-30- 1055

#90360d1050 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 26) AFP - India's state radio and television, bowing to threats from Sikh separatists in Punjab have stopped calling them "terrorists" in line with a "press code" issued by the militants early this month, authorities said Wednesday.

All India Radio (AIR) and Doordarshan television have told their announcers to describe the separatists as "militants" as laid down by the code, AIR and television officials said.

The AIR officials said instructions to abide by the code were issued first to their station in the northern state of Punjab, and had now been extended to all broadcasts to reduce risks to journalists.

Doordarshan officials said they had "advised" executive programme makers in Punjab and New Delhi to avoid words like terrorist and extremist, and use their own safety as a guideline for reporting.

On December 2, the Panthic Committee, a shadowy Sikh organisation directing the Sikh separatist campaign in Punjab, banned the use of the words "extremists" and "terrorists" to describe militants, and warned that those defying the code would be killed.

On December 6, Sikh militants murdered Mr. Rajindra Kumar Talib, AIR station chief of Punjab state capital Chandigarh, for not complying with the code.

-30- 1430

#90360d1060 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HONG KONG (DEC. 26) - The Roman Catholic church authorities in Hong Kong have invited Pope John Paul II to visit the British colony in October to mark the 150th year of the Church's establishment in the territory, a spokesman said Wednesday.

Other features of the 150th anniversary celebrations which commence Friday include a three-day conference with church officials from China, Taiwan, and the Portuguese enclave of Macau, starting on April 11, he said.

Catholic church officials in the state-sanctioned Chinese Patriotic Association, which has no official link with Rome, in eastern coastal China's Fuzhou have already agreed to attend the meeting, while others have not yet

confirmed their acceptance, the spokesman said.

He said the invitation for the Pope's visit had been sent, but no official reply has yet come from the Vatican.

The Pope skipped the colony during his Asian visit which included South Korea, Malaysia and Indonesia in October last year.

At the press conference announcing the 150th anniversary celebrations here,

Father Louis Ha said the Catholic church would remain in Hong Kong to build a better future after 1997 when the territory reverts to Chinese rule.

He said that barring a possible change in China's current political situation before 1997 the Catholic diocese here would retain its link with the Vatican in accordance with the Basic Law, a mini-constitution that will govern the territory after 1997, which grants the territory's 260,000 Catholics the right to continue practising their religion.

-30- 1750

#90360d1070 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 26) - The Philippines and Iran have signed an agreement to cooperate more closely in various areas including the fight against drug trafficking, a Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) statement said here Wednesday.

The agreement was signed last week by the visiting deputy foreign minister of Iran, Alaeddin Boroujerdi, and Philippine foreign undersecretary Manuel Yan.

Copies of the memorandum of understanding, released here Wednesday, said that the two countires would "take appropriate measures to effect cooperation... and strengthen relations especially in the economic, commercial, industrial, technical, agricultural and scientific fields."

The two countries were also bound to "assist each other by the exchange of information on their respective anti-drug campaign efforts," the statement said.

Iranian officials earlier this week said they would provide oil on concessional terms to the Philippines.

-30- 1118

#90360d1120 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 26) - Indian Commerce Minister Subramaniam Swamy will visit Kabul on December 30 for talks with the Soviet-backed government of President Najibullah, a ministerial aide said Wednesday.

Mr. Swamy will be the first member of the new government of Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar to visit Afghanistan and will be carrying a message from Mr. Shekhar to the Afghan leader, press reports said.

Talks during his three-day stay are expected to centre on the Gulf crisis and its ramifications for the region.

India has been a long time friend of the Afghan government and has recently signed several concessionary aid pacts with Kabul.

-30- 833

#90360d1130 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KATHMANDU, Dec 26 (AFP) - In an apparent bid to bridge the country's trade gap the Nepalese government has set up a high level committee under Industry and Commerce Minister Sahan Pradhan on establishing an Export Processing Zone (EPZ) in Kathmandu, sources said Wednesday.

The proposed EPZ is expected to provide direct employment to 15,300 people and help export of industrial goods worth about 84 million dollars every year.

A joint feasibility study carried out by the United Nations Development Program and the Nepalese government has already stressed the need of an EPZ and urged that one should be set up.

An EPZ boosts exports and employment by giving fiscal and other advantages to export-oriented companies operating within it.

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#90360d1160 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 26) - An ancient underground network of channels in far west China's forbidding Turpan depression is being renovated and put back into use, the New China News Agency (NCNA) reported Wednesday.

The irrigation network dates back to the Han dynasty (206 B.C.-220 A.D.) and was made up of 1,200 wells connected by more than 5,000 kilometers (3,100 miles) of tunnel. It carried water to the oases dotting the depression.

Along with the Great Wall and the Grand Canal, the channel network is considered one of China's ancient construction wonders.

People living in the depression began repairs in late 1989 because modern water conservancy facilities were unable to supply adequate amounts of water. They have so far reopened more than two-thirds of the wells, NCNA said.

Turpan, located in the largely Moslem region of Xinjiang, was once an

important stage on the Silk Road.

The depression is 150 meters (495 feet) below sea level and contains large areas of desert where the summer temperature can reach a blistering 70-80 degrees centigrade (160-175 fahrenheit). It is the lowest and hottest landmass in China.

Rainfall is minimal and the underground water is generated mainly from vaporization of glaciers located in the northern Tianshan mountains, NCNA said.

-30- 1487

#90360d1230 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BOGOTA (DEC. 26) - Three people were killed and six were kidnapped in attacks over Christmas by leftist insurgents in Colombia, officials here said.

Troops combed the provinces of Antioquia, Norte de Santander and Tolima Tuesday for about 500 rebels who carried out raids Monday that left one policeman and two rebels dead.

Members of the umbrella organization Simon Bolivar Guerrilla Coordinator,

which includes the Colombian Revolutionary Armed Forces (FARC) and the National Liberation Army (ELF), fought Monday with police in San Carlos, a town in northwestern Antioquia province.

The guerrillas killed one police officer and kidnapped five others, as well as a priest, before fleeing into nearby mountainous areas, authorities said. It was not known whether there were rebel casualties.

Meanwhile, in the eastern port of Elvira on the Guaviare River, a band of rebels intercepted and burned two navy ships. One of the vessels was carrying rural telephone equipment worth an estimated two million dollars, officials said.

Other guerrilla groups attempted to capture the towns of Fortul and Miraflores in the east, Nueva Granada and Guavata in the northeast, and a magistrate's office near Corinto, in the southwest.

Authorities said the clash in Miraflores left one rebel dead, while in Corinto one guerrilla was killed and three others arrested after they burned two collectively owned vehicles.

About 70 ELN rebels unsuccessfully tried to take the town of Santiago in Norte de Santander, on the Venezuelan border.

In the northern province of Cesar, insurgents bombed an asphalt processing plant and set fire to an intercity bus. Police found and deactivated explosives

hidden in the supports of three bridges.

Authorities said the escalating rebel violence was in response to the army's December 9 bombing and occupation of FARC's main headquarters, Casa Verde,

located in the eastern province of Meta. More than 50 rebels and about 20 soldiers were killed in that military operation.

-30- 2226

#90360d1320 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 26) - Philippine President Corazon Aquino said Wednesday she hoped a forecast recession next year would be of short duration, and said the government will set an example in austerity.

The government has forecast that growth will slow to about three per cent this year and to between 2.5 and 3.9 per cent next year, from an average of five per cent in the past three years, owing to high oil prices, natural calamities the budget deficit, and failure to secure new foreign loans.

"I am confident that given our economic reform measures, we will be able to reverse the decline in growth and start on higher growth rates towards the second half of 1991," Mrs. Aquino said in a statement.

She pledged to work for passage next month of several revenue-generating measures which the Senate failed to pass during a special session last week.

Mrs. Aquino said proposed budget cuts have left government agencies "really pruned to the bone, but we have endeavored throughout to spare basic services. There will have to be tightening of expenditures in all offices, and government must -- and will -- lead the way in austerity."

The Philippines, dependent on imported oil for 65 per cent of energy needs,

earlier announced it would enforce rationing and other contingency measures in the event war broke out in the Gulf to force Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

"While we still hope that peace will hold through, we as a people must be prepared to face any Gulf scenario with fortitude, discipline, and unity," Mrs. Aquino said.

-30- 1756

#90360d1330 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 26) - Japan's Nishho Iwai Corp. and Obayashi Corp. have joined forces with an Indonesian firm to build a 21-storey office tower in Jakarta for around 37 million dollars, a Nissho Iwai spokesman said Wednesday.

The joint venture, capitalised at some 10 million dollars, is 60 per cent owned by Ircobumi, a private investment company owned by the president of Indonesia's PT Bank Central Dagang, the spokesman said.

Nissho Iwai, an affiliate of Sanwa Bank Ltd. and Japan's sixth-biggest trading company, holds 30 per cent of the venture while Obayashi, one of Japan's five major contractors, holds the remaining 10 per cent.

The joint venture aims to complete the building in February, 1993.

-30- 884

#90360d1350 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 26) - Ethiopian rebels claimed Wednesday that they had killed 118 government troops in a Christmas Eve attack on a military convoy in the western province of Wollega.

Another 36 government soldiers were wounded, according to the radio of the rebel Oromo Liberation Front (OLF), monitored here which gave no details of rebel losses.

The radio said OLF guerrillas had ambushed the convoy near the town of Bambesi more than 400 kilometres (250 miles) west of the capital, Addis Ababa.

Last week the OLF claimed to have killed 95 government troops in Wollega.

The OLF, founded in 1974, is fighting for an independent homeland for the Oromos, Ethiopia's biggest ethnic group, inhabiting a U-shaped band of western, southern and eastern Ethiopia. Its military operations have been sporadic.

-30- 985

#90360d1360 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 26) - Japan's Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. plans to start making television sets in Germany next year after buying 25.1 per cent of German electronics firm Loewe Opta AG, a company spokesman said Wednesday.

The spokesman said that the acquisition, announced in June, would be finalised in January or February, but refused to disclose the price. Loewe Opta's future production capacity for Matsushita televisions has not yet been decided, he said, denying a report it would reach up to 300,000 a year

European production of Matsushita televisions is currently limited to Britain.

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#90360d1410 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKOZA, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 26) - Black activists in one of the worst

troublespots in South Africa called an indefinite boycott of white businesses Wednesday, in spite of warnings that boycotts are a major cause of violence.

The boycott, effective immediately, means shoppers in Tokoza black township southeast of here, who can get next to nothing close to home, will be dissuaded from buying in the neighbouring white town of Alberton -- and dissuasion often becomes intimidation.

The pro-African National Congress (ANC) Tokoza Civic Association (TCA) has called the boycott to put pressure on Alberton town council to restore electricity cut off on November 30.

In the resulting darkness close to 150 people have been killed, as mainly Zulu migrant workers from single-sex hostels, generally aligned to Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom Party, have clashed with pro-ANC squatters in the nearby Phola Park camp.

TCA chairman Sam Ntuli said residents were happy to pay for electricity, but that they were in dispute with Alberton about how much was owing and about what had happened to payments made in September and October. There would be no more talk until the lights were restored, he said.

Asked if the boycott might fuel violence, his colleague Duma Nkosi said: "If you do something they'll kill you, if you don't do something they'll kill you all the same. So rather do something before they kill you."

-30- 1634

#90360d1420 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIRUT (DEC. 26) - Right-wing Christian forces on Wednesday stepped up efforts to mobilize opposition to a newly named Lebanese cabinet, as parts of Christian Lebanon observed a strike.

Shops, banks and public institutions were closed in the Kesrouan and Jubal regions north of here, both strongholds of the Lebanese Forces (LF) militia.

The action was partially observed in the Ashrafiyeh district of Beirut and in the Metn region, which is under Lebanese and Syrian military control.

The strike was called by the LF's political ally, the Kataeb, or Phalangist, party, to protest attacks on its leaders and offices.

Two party officials have been assassinated in the Metn region in under a week and several Kataeb offices have been attacked.

Both the party and the LF have rejected a 30-man cabinet announced Monday by Prime Minister Omar Karami, charging that it has too many pro-Syrian ministers.

Syria is a major political force in Lebanon, where it has stationed some 30,000 troops and actively backs President Elias Hrawi.

The LF, which has opposed Syrian influence in Lebanon, accused a pro-Damascus Christian militia led by Elie Hobeika of the attacks in the Metn, while the Kataeb called on "the state to assume its responsibilities".

But Prime Minister Karami retorted Wednesday that "the security situation that some people complain of cannot be assured unless the state is able to extend its authority over the entire country."

He said his government wanted to include representatives of all political persuasions in Lebanon to ensure "national reconciliation".

Despite Mr. Karami's appeal, the leaders of the LF and the Kataeb, Samir Geagea and Georges Saade, met in Kesroun late Tuesday with other Christian figures opposed to the new government.

The group plans to call a larger inter-Christian congress.

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#90360d1430 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (DEC. 26) - Romanian President Ion Iliescu will make a state visit to China from January 14 to 19, the Romanian news agency Rompres reported here Wednesday.

The visit was at the invitation of Chinese President Yang Shangkun, Rompres added.

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#90360d1510 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JOHANNESBURG (DEC. 26) - At least 11 people were killed over the Christmas holiday period in clashes between black South Africans, police said here Wednesday.

Ten of them, including a five-year-old girl, died in separate incidents in Natal province, the centre of a power struggle between between members of the African National Congress (Anc) and the Zulu Inkatha party.

Meanwhile, four people died in a fire which destroyed about 150 homes at a black slum area south of Cape Town Wednesday.

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#90360d1580 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 26) - Three trucks loaded with 40 tonnes of donated Western

medicines and baby-food arrived in the Soviet capital Wednesday.

Members of the French-based humanitarian organisation Medecins du Monde (Doctors of the World) who travelled with the supplies will distribute them to 11 children's hospitals in and around Moscow, Dr. Bernard Benedetti said.

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#90360d1600 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MADRID (DEC. 26) - The Bank of Spain increased its money market intervention rate from 14.65 to 14.70 per cent on Monday, marking a slight hardening of its policy aimed at restricting demand to help combat inflation, operators said on Wednesday at the stock exchange here.

Analysts said the move was aimed at countering the effect of abolitions on loans imposed more than a year and a half ago to combat inflation. That abolition will become effective on January 1.

The money market rate intervention rate is watched as a general sign of the direction of the central bank's monetary policy.

The stock exchange sources expressed concern about the peseta appreciation that could result from higher Spanish interest rates. A rise in the currency's value could harm Spanish exports.

-30- 987

#90360d1650 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AVIGNON, FRANCE (DEC. 26) - French Communist Party leader Georges Marchais, 70, suffered a minor heart attack early Wednesday and was taken to hospital in the southern city of Avignon where his condition was satisfactory, hospital sources said.

Doctors said his life was not in danger, and given his earlier medical record, Wednesday's attack was "not unusual".

Mr. Marchais, who was celebrating Christmas in his country home in Robion near Avignon, was Saturday re-elected party general secretary at the end of the 27th party congress during which he had to deal with an unprecedented challenge from party reformers.

Mr. Marchais, who has headed his hardline party for 20 years, has a history of heart trouble. He was taken to hospital in early December last year with a similar complaint. He also had a serious heart attack in January 1975.

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#90360d1660 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC. 26) - Bank employees stopped work throughout Pakistan Wednesday for two hours to protest the new government's policy of disinvesting public sector concerns.

Their protest coincided with a reportedly enthusiastic response by private investors to the government's offer to sell 51 per cent shares of the Muslim Commercial Bank (Mcb), one of the five banks nationalised in 1974.

Bankers in Karachi, Pakistan's commercial centre, however fear the government would retain a hold over the management of the Mcb even after it is disinvested because it would reserve a certain proportion of the shares offered to the general public for the government-controlled National Investment Trust.

Mcb's disinvestment is to set pace for the government's plan of unloading other nationalised financial institutions and industries.

-30- 1019

#90360d1680 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 26) - Euro-Disneyland, the future amusement park outside Paris, is going to raise up to five billion francs (960 million dollars) on the market to refinance part of the first phase of the planned theme park or to finance other developments, Disney Group financial sources said on Wednesday.

Euro-Disneyland will submit several resolutions along this line to a stockholders' meeting to be held in early February, the sources said.

The park is to open in 1992, and the group wants to issue convertible bonds or other convertible securities whenever market conditions are favorable, up to maximum of five billion francs.

The funds raised will be used to refinance part of the first project phase, entailing investments of around 22 billion francs, or to help finance the second phase (hotels and a second theme park at the same site in Marne-la-Vallee, near Paris).

Some 10 billion francs of the initial 22 billion in investments have been financed by long-term borrowings, five billion from Caisse des depots et consignations, and the rest from equity capital.

-30- 1285

#90360d1710 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 26) - France called on the Surinamese Army chief who led a bloodless Christmas Eve coup to restore the rule of law and abide by human rights, a spokesman for the foreign ministry said here Wednesday.

"The French government condemns the overthrow of the civilian authorities by

the army and calls for the restoration of the rule of law", spokesman Daniel Bernard said.

The military toppled the elected government of President Ramsewak Shankar on Monday and his ministers submitted their resignations Tuesday at the behest of Army Chief Lieutenant Ivan Graanoogst, according to Dutch press reports.

"Only compliance with human rights and the freely expressed will of the people will facilitate a return to civil peace and economic and social development", the spokesman said.

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#90360d1850 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 26) - The Bank of France added 11 billion francs (2.1 billion dollars) in liquidity to the banking system on Wednesday, while maintaining its key interest rates unchanged, the central bank said.

The money market intervention rate remains at 9.25 per cent, and the rate on securities repurchase agreements at 10 per cent. Those two rates set the range within which the bank wants interest rates generally to be.

In a tender offer, the bank allocated 33.7 billion francs to banks, while only 22.7 billion francs were expiring.

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#90360d1860 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (DEC. 26) - Some 115,000 Turkish metal and automobile industry workers went on strike Wednesday to back wage rise demands exceeding 300 percent.

Chairman Mustafa Oezbek of the Turkish Metal Workers Union said most workers were getting the equivalent of about 101 U.S. dollars a month and they had refused the employers' offer of a 150-percent pay rise.

48,000 miners at state-operated coal mines at the Black Sea port of Zonguldak have already been on strike for nearly a month, demanding rises of over 500 percent.

The government, rejecting the miners' demands, is threatening to close down the mines on the grounds that they are uneconomical and constitute a heavy burden.

The government is bracing for bigger trouble, since the Turkish Trade Union Confederation (Turk-Is), the country's biggest labour organisation with over 1.5 million members, has scheduled a one-day general strike for January 3,

threatening to bring industrial production to a standstill and paralyse the

cities.

Turk-Is officials said they would defy a constitutional ban on general strikes to assert the workers' rights.

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NAIROBI (DEC. 26) - Somali rebels on Wednesday rejected the government's call for multi-party elections next year, the radio of the rebel Somali National Movement (SNM), monitored here, said.

The government of President Mohamed Siad Barre on Tuesday urged the Somalis to form political parties and prepare for elections, the official Radio Mogadishu reported.

The SNM, which controls much of northern Somalia, said the government "was crumbling slowly", and urged Somalis "to shun Siad Barre's call for political parties".

The SNM dismissed the government proposal as "the kicks of a dying horse".

The government also faces insurrections in central and southern Somalia.

Rebels of the United Somali Congress fighting in the centre of the country are only 50 kilometres (30 miles) from the capital, Mogadishu, an Agence France-Presse correspondent who recently visited the area said.

In the south, another rebel group, the Somali Patriotic Movement, has recently claimed advances against government forces.

A spate of armed attacks has struck terror into residents of Mogadishu, where gunfire is reportedly heard every night.

Many foreigners, including non-essential United States diplomatic staff and United Nations personnel, have left this month.

Efforts to start peace talks in Cairo on Dec. 12 between the rebels and the government failed after the authorities arrested several leading opposition figures a few days before the proposed talks.

Egypt and Italy had sponsored the attempt to bring the warring factions to the negotiating table.

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PARIS (DEC. 26) - Stockholders of Banque de l'Union Europeenne (BUE, CIC

Group) and of Compagnie financiere de CIC have approved a merger of the two banks, BUE announced here Wednesday.

The merger, which was announced last April, is aimed at enabling the two banks to improve competitiveness in the light of the future unified European Community domestic market and to "rationalize group activities," BUE said.

The new firm will be headed by Francois Caries as president, Paul Alibert as vice-president and managing director, and Gilles Guitto as managing director, the announcement said.

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#90360d1910 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 26) - Sudanese President Omar el-Beshir will on Thursday begin a two-day official visit to Nigeria, an official source stated here Wednesday.

General Beshir, who ousted a civilian government in a coup in June last year, will be received at the airport in Kano in northern Nigeria by President Ibrahim Babangida, the source added.

The two leaders are to discuss bilateral issues as well as international matters such as the Gulf crisis and developments in Chad.

An estimated five million Nigerians live in Sudan, where some of them run flourishing businesses.

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#90360d1960 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 26) - Algerian President Chadli Bendjedid, soon to begin a new Gulf peace mission, will promote a compromise formula on an Iraqi demand that the Palestinian and Gulf crises be resolved simultaneously, Arab sources said here Wednesday.

The formula would require a pledge by the international community that the Palestinian issue will be considered according to the same criteria and with the same degree of urgency as the Gulf crisis.

Similar reports emerged this week in Jordanian and Israeli newspapers after Iraq called home several of its key ambassadors for consultations.

(In Israel the independent Maariv, indirectly citing U.S. diplomats, said Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will soon tell his parliament he wants "to link an Iraqi withdrawal from Kuweit to a commitment by the (United Nations) Security Council on a settlement to the Palestinian question."

(The paper said that as a result of secret U.S.-Iraqi contacts Secretary of

State James Baker will arrive in Baghdad January 9 for talks with Mr. Hussein.)

The Jordan newspaper Sawt Al-Sha'ab quoted a senior Arab diplomatic source as saying Iraq itself would call on the Security Council "to approve a resolution pledging to solve the Palestinian crisis and other outstanding Middle East issues in return for Iraqi concessions in Kuwait."

President Hussein, 10 days after his August 2 seizure of the emirate, proposed that the Gulf crisis be addressed at the same time as other Middle East questions, notably the fate of Palestinians living under Israeli occupation.

The proposal has been repeatedly rejected by an anti-Iraqi coalition of Western and Arab nations seeking an unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Arab sources here said Mr. Chadli's compromise would require an international commitment that the Palestinian and Gulf issues would at least be discussed according to the same criteria, although not necessarily in the same forum.

Several Arab leaders have accused the West -- and the United States in particular -- of hypocrisy in the Middle East for opposing the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait while accepting Israel's occupation of Arab and Palestinian territory.

Palestinian sources here now beleive President Hussein could be satisfied with an international pledge to treat the Palestinian and Gulf crises on an equal basis.

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#90360d2000 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 26) - The Soviet Congress of People's Deputies gave overwhelming approval Wednesday to a wide-reaching package of constitutional amendments sealing the presidential form of government in the Soviet Union.

Approval came on a vote of 1,555 to 110, with 80 abstentions, according to Tass.

Prior to the vote, a number of proposed articles were deleted from the draft package, including one provision for creation of a supreme state inspectorate to monitor implementation of laws.

The constitutional amendments, which take effect immediately, eliminate the council of ministers, replacing it with a premier-led cabinet answerable to the president and congress. Provision is also made for election of a vice president, although the method of choosing the first vice president is not spelled out.

In a session overshadowed by news of Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov's heart attack,

deputies also gave approval to plans for holding general elections in four years.

The day's deliberations opened with an announcement by President Mikhail Gorbachev that Ryzhkov had been stricken overnight and was now resting comfortable. He was later said to be out of danger.

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#90360d2110 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TIRANA (DEC. 26) - Albania's first opposition party has called for a referendum on the postponement of elections scheduled for February 10 and told the communists that a rejection of the request would be an "outright provocation".

The challenge was thrown down by Democratic Party (ADP) chief Sali Berisha at a first meeting here late on Tuesday after a parliamentary leader said that there was no objective reason to justify a postponement.

Sihat Tozaj, secretary of the parliamentary presidium, said that putting the elections back would require a complicated legal procedure. Elections should be held as scheduled so that parliament could meet to adopt a new constitution "as soon as possible", he added.

But Mr. Berisha, a 46-year-old cardiologist, told AFP that a refusal to delay the election by three months "would be an obstruction of the democratic process and an outright provocation".

"The people must decide on a date", he added.

Due to a power failure Tuesday's meeting of 15 ADP militants took place by candlelight in an unheated centrally located three-storey villa -- its headquarters -- in an atmosphere reminiscent of a clandestine gathering under a dictatorship.

"It is like being underground but we are free now," Mr. Berisha beamed.

The Albanian Democratic Party was created on December 12 only hours after President Ramiz Alia gave in to public calls for a multi-party system in so far staunchly Stalinist Albania. No other parties have been founded as yet.

On Tuesday 20,000 people voiced support for the ADP in the eastern town of Kavaje. Party branches have reportedly also been set up in Shkoder, Durres, Elbasan, and Vlore.

"Our first priority is to get ourselves organised," said Mr. Berisha adding that "all peaceful means will be used to get the election postponed."

The ADP does not face an easy task. There have been incidents at several public meetings outside the capital when police and communist party militants have seized ADP leaflets and programs and threatened supporters, according to party aides.

"The Albanian bureaucracy is terrible and will go out of its way to attack the Democratic Party", Mr. Berisha said.

The police and the army have so far not tried to impede the democratization, process according to the ADP leader who said "Many soldiers would prefer the army to be neutral and non-political."

On Tuesday, the ADP named Fruc Shoupi as chief editor of Albania's first independent newspaper Rilindja Demokratika (Democratic Renewal) which was prevented from going to press this week by bureacratic red-tape, Mr. Berisha added.

The government granted a one-million lek (100,000-dollar) loan to the eight-page paper which aims to be independent but close to Democratic Party ideas. It will be published twice a week and is to become a daily at a later date.

Even communist party members have pledged support.

"We are are ready to help", said Briseda Nema, a communist party militant and editor of Brita, the official newspaper of the artists' union.

Before Christmas Mrs. Nema published the first article ever to hit Albanian newsstands criticizing Stalin.

"I could not write it earlier because I was afraid", she said, wishing the Democratic Party good luck.

ADP leaders are also confident that political prisoners will ultimately be amnestied despite a statement by Mr. Tozaj that no such step was planned. Still "measures of leniency will be taken from time to time," he was quoted as saying.

The ADP is still Albania's only opposition party, for several other parties rumoured to be emerging like the Green ecology party and Christian and Moslem confessional parties have so far failed to materialise.

But despite its pioneer role, some dissident intellectuals are reticent about supporting the ADP because of the communist past of some of its leaders.

"With some of its officials members of the communist party until recently, this party lacks legitimacy, and all the leaders are from the north", author Hysen Sinai said.

At this moment in the reform process anything was possible in Tirana, he said, adding: "You could even walk the streets with a portrait of Hitler."

Under pressure from dissidents the writers' union has already split into four sections with no remaining links to the communist party, according to Mr. Sinai.

Some 10,000 Albanian Catholics on Tuesday attended the first open celebration of midnight Christmas mass in their country in 45 years.

But a Democratic Party spokesman warned that Christians and Moslems who make up 40 and 60 per cent of the total population must not create separate parties and should instead join the new movement. "Otherwise this will be another Lebanon", he added.

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#90360d2170 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 26) - Snow storms have blanketed the Soviet far east, including Vladivostok, where authorities have closed schools and soldiers have been drafted to keep bakeries, hospitals and the heating plant working, TASS news agency reported Wednesday.

High winds brought down power and telephone lines and dozens of truck drivers have been stranded on snow-choked motorways. Makeshift reception centres have been set up to provide emergency assistance.

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#90360d2190 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 26) - CMB Packaging said Wednesday that it expects a 10 percent decline in its net result this year by comparison with 1989, to around a billion francs (190 million dollars).

That would follow a 46 percent jump in the net result scored in 1989 by comparison with the 1988 level.

CMB said this year's anticipated drop is due to an increase in interest payments and in exceptional and extraordinary restructuring costs, particularly in the health and beauty sector.

CMB is the result of a merger last year of France's Carnaud packaging firm and Britain's Metal Box.

Since that merger, CMB has closed six loss-making factories in Britain and the United States. Restructuring costs amount to 900 million francs this year, some 150 million to 200 million of which will be taken from the extraordinary

gain from sale of the CMB steel business to Sollac (a subsidiary of Usinor-Sacilor).

The higher interest costs are due to debt run up in connection with the merger restructuring costs, higher interest rates, and a slight increase in needs for operating capital.

The group estimates 1990 sales at about 24 billion francs, against 24.1 billion last year.

The operating result should be up this year by comparison with 1989 thanks to a higher operating margin in packaging, up by nine percent.

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#90360d2280 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LEIPZIG, GERMANY (DEC. 26) - Every evening Liepzig station is invaded by a hitherto unknown breed: the homeless, who by the dozens fill waiting rooms and benches seeking a safe spot to spend the night.

In former East Germany, there was officially no homelessness. Cradle-to-grave benefits meant that few citizens were ever turned out onto the streets.

Following economic and political union with West Germany, however, many eastern Germans have sunk to the ranks of the down and out.

Spiralling inflation, and above all, an end to what was once a constitutional right to housing has hit this eastern German city particularly hard.

The cradle of the anti-communist revolution only a year ago, Liepzig is now winning notoriety for its homeless problem.

The Protestant Church here has already counted up to 400 cases, out of a population of half a million.

"This is just the start, and municipal authorities are already overwhelmed," said Klaus Hinze, a city official in charge of the homeless.

As rents here, heavily subsidized by the state until recently, reach levels prevailing in western Germany, many more inhabitants here are likely to lose the roof over their heads.

Humanitarian organizations have put the total number of homeless in Germany at one million. But in eastern Germany, there are nearly no facilities to cope with the phenomenon.

Mr. Hinze said that the handful of homeless under the former communist regime were taken care of by the churches.

Liepzig is planning to inaugurate the first homeless shelter in all of former East Germany early next year. The 48-bed shelter will be located in a decrepit building that was once an orphanage.

But plans for the center have roused the anger of people in the neighborhood who have petitioned the town hall in protest. The homeless are regarded by many as no-goods and even criminals.

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#90360d2310 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (DEC. 26) - Pakistan granted a three-year oil exploration license Wednesday to British firm Lasmo Oil, officials said.

Lasmo Oil will prospect in the Punjab's Mianwali, Muzaffargarh and Dera Ghazi Khan districts, and in Dera Isamil Khan in the North-West Frontier Province.

The exploration will cover a total area of 6,800 square kilometres (2,720 square miles), the officials said. It will include a seismic survey and an exploratory well.

Lasmo general manager Tony Bryan and Aslam Iqbal, Secretary of the Pakistani Petroleum and Natural Resources Ministry, signed the agreement.

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#90360d2330 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (DEC. 26) - Pakistan's electricity authority said Wednesday it would enforce cuts in industrial power consumption throughout the country.

All industries will cut their load by 25 per cent daily in a specified six-hour period, the state-run Water and Power Development Authority (WAPDA) said in a statement.

The cuts are due to reduced hydroelectric power generation, and units defying the restrictions will have their power cut off, it said.

Shopping centres must also minimise lighting use and close by 7:00 p.m., WAPDA said.

Street lighting on major roads will be halved and neon signs are prohibited until power generation is back to normal, it said.

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#90360d2380 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ANKARA (DEC. 26) - Experts from Germany and Belgium are expected to arrive

here Thursday for ''technical talks'' on Turkey's recent request for North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato) planes to deter an Iraqi attack, foreign ministry spokesman Murat Sungar said Wednesday.

He did not elaborate on the composition of the delegations and their programme but voiced Ankara's displeasure over the ''leak'' of the request to the press in Brussels before a decision was taken.

Ankara has requested 42 planes and 576 personnel attached to the Nato allied Mobile Force (Amf) based in Heidelberg, Germany.

The call brought the government under attack from the opposition which feared it would increase Turkey's involvement in a Gulf war.

Despite official denials, reports claimed Germany and Belgium, contributing planes to the Amf together with Italy, were themselves ''reticent'' about getting involved.

Sungar said there should be no ''political'' reasons to deny the request, since it was Nato which had pledged, on August 10, to rush to the assistance of Turkey if it was attacked, renewing its committment earlier this month.

Turkish officials said the Nato planes, to be based at Erhac air base near Malatya, eastern Turkey, were to be on display as ''concrete proof'' of Nato's resolve to defend Turkey.

Some 60 American F-111 tactical bombers, F-16 fighter-bombers and F-15 fighters are already ''exercising'' at another air base in southern Turkey under a bilateral defence agreement.

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#90360d2830 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC 26) - Three Sikh political parties authorized one of their leaders Wednesday to hold talks with New Delhi on the situation in Punjab, as the northern state's separatist campaign claimed nine more lives.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) said Sikh gunmen shot dead six people, including a policeman killed during a bank robbery, while security forces killed three militants.

Leaders of three Sikh political parties at a joint meeting authorised Simranjit Singh Mann to hold talks with Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar's government over the eight-year-old militant campaign, PTI said.

Mr. Mann, a former police officer, heads the Akali Dal (Mann faction), one of the Sikh parties represented at the meeting at Punjab's Patiala town.

Their decision was in response to repeated offers by Mr. Shekhar's less than two-month-old government to open a dialogue with the Sikhs.

Mr. Shekhar said New Delhi was willing to work with the Sikhs to reach an accord within the Indian constitutional framework.

The two other parties took part in the Patiala deliberations were of moderate Sikhs' Akali Dal (Badal) and Akali Dal (Longowal) groups, PTI said.

Mr. Mann, who was fired from police service for alleged links with militants fighting for independence, was quoted as saying at the meeting that Sikhs would not be satisfied with anything less than the right of self-determination.

A half-dozen major Sikh militant groups continue to refuse dialogue with New Delhi.

Sikh militants shot dead Assistant Sub-inspector Gurjant Singh before robbing a branch of Indian government-owned Punjab and Sind Bank of more than 200,000 rupees (11,000 dollars) Wednesday in Faridkot district, PTI said.

The four gunmen stormed the bank after over-powering the security guard and shot dead the police officer when he happened to appear at the spot during a routine patrol, the agency said.

Sikh militants also shot dead five civilians in various parts of Punjab in the last 24 hours while three militants were killed in a gunfight with security forces in Gurdaspur district, PTI said.

More than 3,000 people have died so far in violence linked to the campaign for a Sikh homeland called Khalistan, or land of the pure, in Punjab so far this year.

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#90360d2900 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
By IMTIAZ GUL

ISLAMABAD (DEC. 26) - Extreme poverty, economic disparities and exploitation have led thousands of innocent girls and women from the poor South Asian nations of Bangladesh, India and Burma to believe brokers' promises of a ''bright future'' and ultimately end up either as prostitutes or as cheap bonded labour in Karachi and some other Pakistani cities.

According to estimates by human rights activists, 200 to 400 young women and children are smuggled every month, particularly from Bangladesh into Pakistan, and the numbers have been on the rise since the mid-1980s.

The network of traffickers and brokers, mostly Pakistanis and Indians with

links in the other South Asian countries, extends from Bangladesh, one of the poorest countries in the world, through India into Pakistan where the corrosive practice of slave trade goes unchecked.

These traffickers recruit girls and women through their ''regional offices'' promising them highly paid jobs but handing them over to clients in Karachi who sell them on to interested individuals or groups running prostitution dens.

Several women also try to enter on their own and, if unable to bribe immigration officials at the borders, are either raped or sent to jails for illegal entry.

According to Zia Awan, president of the Lawyers for Human Rights Legal Aid Association (Lhrla), about 40 such women, some pregnant are or even with infants, are currently incarcerated in the Karachi Central Jail under the illegal entry and-or the Hudood Ordinance, an Islamic law for punishing those involved in rape and theft cases.

''I have seen young girls even of 11 and 12 years who conceived after being raped either by the brokers themselves or by the border police personnel,'' says another leading human rights activist, Ansar Burney, who heads a welfare trust named after him, the Ansar Burney Welfare Trust (Abwt).

Prices for the women, says Burney, range from 1,000 to 2,000 dllars, depending on the health and perceived desirability of the women.

The problem was also highlighted at an Inernational Seminar on Trafficking of Women and Children held last month in Karachi which drew delegates from the Philippines, Thailand, Malaysia, Nepal, Bangladesh, India, Sri Lanka and Pakistan.

Participants of the seminar, which had been organised by a local Ngo shirkat Gah, an organisation looking after destitute women and children, and the Asian Cultural Forum on Development, unanimously held that the criminal trafficking in poor and disadvantaged women across South-East Asia had increased so much over the last 25 years that only involvement of governments concerned could put an end to it.

But most conceded that, despite promises of justice and welfare, governments appeared indifferent to the problem since, as one participant said, ''They don't want to contradict their acclaimed achievements for the poor and helpless by acknowledging the existence of slave trade in this age.''

Only the government of former Pakistani Premier Benazir Bhutto set up a committee last July comprising the then-law minister, Ansar Burney, and another woman lawyer, Asma Jillani, to look into the smuggling of women and children from neighbouring countries. But the initiative was cut short after the fall of the Bhutto government a month later.

According to Ansar Burney, whose Organisation over the past 10 years secured release of over 52,000 prisoners including women and children some of whom were born in jails, the number of Bengali women smuggled so far into Pakistan is at least 500,000. Most of them are living in slums and shanty towns in Karachi and some other parts of Pakistan.

These illegal settlements, and the prostitution dens there are well-known to police, who receive a monthly ''Bhatta'' (protection money) from the den-owners who, if desired, also provide the officials with women.

But the plight of these women, always living in fear of being caught for illegal stay or arrested under the Islamic Hudood Ordinance for prostitution, also toil at factories in urban areas during the daytime for one-third of the normal wages.

Besides being employed as cheap labour force and forced into protstitution many of the Bangladeshi women are purchased by bachelors or aging persons who keep them either as wives or ''housemaids''.

Several dozen Bengali women have so far been sent back to Bangladesh after the Lhrla and Abwt obtained their release. But several hundred Bangladeshis, mostly women and children, are still sitting in lockups awaiting legal and monetary assistance for release and repatriation to their country.

The Bangladesh High Commission in Islamabad received a list in July last year of some 1,100 Bangladesh nationals detained in Pakistani jails, and more than 150 of were reportedly sent back to Dhaka.

''I must say the political will to stop the women trafficking isn't there,'' says Burney. ''You may have political differences with other countries, but this is a tragic human problem which calls for concerted efforts on the part of the governments to halt the smuggling of innocent souls.''

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#90360d2910 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 26) - The Soviet Union has received over 16,000 tons of emergency aid from 25 countries, Foreign Ministry spokesman Vitaly Churkin said Wednesday.

The 16,423 tons of humanitarian aid includes 9,947 tons of food and 307 tons of medecine, Tass news agency said, quoting Mr. Churkin.

The main bulk of aid has come from Germany, he added.

Three trucks loaded with 40 tons of donated Western medicines and baby-food arrived in the Soviet capital Wednesday.

Members of the French-based humanitarian organisation Medecins du Monde (Doctors of the World) who travelled with the supplies will distribute them to 11 children's hospitals in and around Moscow, Dr. Bernard Benedetti said.

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#90360d2960 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA (DEC. 26) - Some 200 armed prospectors invaded one of Brazil's few remaining indigenous peoples' reservations this weekend, the National Indian Foundation (FUNAI) announced Wednesday.

FUNAI President Cantidio Guimaraes reported to federal police officials the invasion by gold and gem prospecting "garimpeiros" of the reserve's territory in Rondonia state, in the country's Amazonian region.

The reserve is home to the Uru-Eu Wau-Wau tribe, one of the country's most primitive indigenous communities. The tribe in the past has been involved in conflicts with farmers who trespassed on their lands.

FUNAI officials said heavily armed prospectors tore down all of the tribal reserve's border markers in an apparent first step towards trying to mine in the zone.

Officials said they feared that the same problems which have faced Brazil's Yanomami tribe would be repeated with the Uru-Eu Wau-Wau.

The Yanomami tribe which dwells in the state of Roraima near Brazil's frontier with Venezuela is being "harshly punished by malaria and tuberculosis due to prolonged direct contact with prospectors invading their lands," they said.

Sidney Possuelo, head of the FUNAI's Remote Indigenous Peoples' Directorate, described the situation in the newly invaded reserve as serious.

Mr. Possuelo said FUNAI lacks the resources to protect the primitive tribe's reserve more effectively from both prospectors and woodcutters. He added that 11 subgroups of the tribe live on the reserve in total isolation, and that possibly fatal contact with the trespassers must be staved off immediately.

The same official noted that offenders' unauthorized presence on the tribe's land would "cause irrevocable damage to its native tropical forest, with the felling of valuable trees and the pollution of its rivers with mercury," which is used routinely in gold prospecting.

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#90360d2990 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 26) - The Paris Bourse reopened on Wednesday after a four-day

Christmas break, but investors were not interested and stocks fell by 1.73 per cent in very light trading.

The index opened 0.69 per cent down and managed to work its way into the plus column in early afternoon before weakening suddenly toward the end of the day.

Operators said it is normal for volume to be light during the end-of-the-year holidays, but business was even lower than usual because of the extreme caution forced by the continuing Gulf crisis.

Late-afternoon announcement of a 0.5 per cent rise in French unemployment in November from October tended to confirm a widespread view that France is suffering an economic slowdown, and it led to some stock selling that depressed prices.

Big losers included Erap-Elf, off 6.8 per cent, Bic and CSEE, 5.8 per cent, and Hutchinson, 4.2 per cent. Bail Equipement jumped by 11.2 per cent, and CDME by five per cent. Hachette and Scoa were both up by more than three per cent.

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#90360d3010 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

THONON, France (DEC. 26) - Four Italians were arrested near the border town of Annemasse on Saturday as they tried to cross into France from Switzerland with 540,000 dollars in counterfeit one hundred dollar bills, judiciary sources said Wednesday.

The men, whose identities were not released, were imprisoned after being charged with smuggling counterfeit foreign currency into France.

The four Italians, riding in two cars, were arrested after customs officials carrying out a routine check discovered the false bills wrapped in newspaper and plastic under the back seat of one of the two cars.

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#90360d3060 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ISLAMABAD (DEC. 26) - Pakistani Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif has said he will not yield to any pressure aimed at obstructing his policy to privatize public sector industries.

Denationalization has been started beacause of the "huge losses" in public sector undertakings, the Associated Press of Pakistan (APP) quoted him Wednesday as saying in a speech at Lahore.

The opposition, led by former premier Benazir Bhutto, has criticized the government's plan while employees of the state-owned banks are protesting against their intended privatization.

As a first step, the government has decided to privatize the Moslem Commercial Bank (MCB) and has invited bids from private parties.

MCB was nationalized in 1973 by the late premier Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, along with Allied Bank, Habib Bank and United Bank.

"A few thousand people cannot be allowed to sabotage the process of denationalization which will bring rapid development, generate jobs and put the country on the path of progess and self-reliance," Mr. Sharif said.

Pakistan's public sector comprises nine corporations with manufacturing units in the spheres of steel, textile machinery, chemicals, fertlizer, cement, automobiles, engineering goods and petrochemicals.

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#90360d3180 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 26) - A day after appealing for an ''equal dialogue'' with the United States, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein hosted a flurry of unexplained consultations with senior aides here Wednesday.

In another development, the United States announced a further beefing up of its Gulf naval forces with two aircraft carriers as the U.N. Security Council's January 15 deadline to quit Iraq approaches.

Western navies Wednesday stopped an Iraq-bound freighter carrying sugar and 250 mostly female peace activists.

The Kremlin meanwhile said it was rushing its evacuation of Soviet citizens from Iraq, and would have all the remaining 1,700 out by January 10 instead of January 15 as earlier planned. A plane carrying 400 arrived Tuesday night in Moscow.

A deputy Soviet prime minister, Igor Belousov, who chairs a Soviet task force on the evacuation, flew Wednesday to Baghdad to iron out lingering disputes with the Iraqis on the evacuation, foreign ministry spokesman Vitali Churkin said.

The Iraqis have insisted the Soviets declare all their unperformed contractual obligations before the evacuation is complete. Most of the Soviet citizens were in Iraq on contract.

Saddam chaired a joint meeting, the second in less than a week, of Iraq's two highest policy-making bodies, the Revolutionary Command Council and the Regional Command of the Arab Baath Socialist Party, Baghdad Radio said. It gave no details.

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#90360d3220 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW DELHI (DEC. 26) - Sikh militants abducted a leading Indian industrialist in the northern state of Punjab Wednesday, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said.

Satish Thapar, was returning home when two Sikh gunmen ordered his car to a halt outside Punjab's industrial town of Ludhiana late Wednesday.

The gunmen threw the driver out, fired a few shots in the air and drove away with Mr. Thapar, chairman of Thapar Agro Industries Ltd., in his own car, PTI said.

It was the first incident of a prominent industrialist being kidnapped by Sikh militants fighting for an independent homeland in Punjab, the only Sikh-majority Indian state.

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#90360d3250 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ISLAMABAD (DEC. 26) - Former Pakistani prime minister Benazir Bhutto said Wednesday the law and order situation in her home province Sindh had worsened to an alarming level.

"An atmosphere of fear and insecurity is prevailing in the province," Ms. Bhutto told reporters here.

The opposition leader said bandits were on the rampage in Sindh while the provincial government headed by Chief Minister Jam Sadiq Ali was "victimizing and jailing" her supporters.

Ms. Bhutto said the armed robberies and kidnappings in Sindh since her dismissal in August exceeded the total of such incidents during her entire 20-month rule.

She said "Sindh is on fire" due to the "vindictiveness" of Mr. Ali, and demanded his removal from the chief ministership.

In reply to a question, Ms. Bhutto said she had plans to undertake brief visits abroad but under no circumstances would she go into self-exile.

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#90360d3300 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency
VIENNA (DEC. 26) - Austrian President Kurt Waldheim has no plans to visit Iraq or Saudi Arabia to try to mediate a settlement to the Gulf crisis, Austrian officials said Wednesday, denying an Iraqi newspaper report.

The Iraqi Army newspaper, Al-Qadissiah, said Tuesday that Mr. Waldheim may visit Iraq and Saudi Arabia in early January to try to prevent a war between Iraq and the multi-national force massed in the Gulf following the August 2 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

An Austrian presidential spokesman said here Wednesday that Mr. Waldheim planned to make an official three-day visit to Oman starting January 12 but that he had no plans to visit Saudi Arabia or Iraq.

The Iraqi Army newspaper, citing Austrian sources in an article headlined "Will Waldheim succeed where others have failed?" said that a visit to Iraq and Saudi Arabia by the former United Nations secretary general "at the request of the United States and the West" could not be ruled out.

Mr. Waldheim, following the December 24 announcement that he planned to visit Oman, did not specifically rule out stops in other countries in the region.

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#90360d3330 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARAMARIBO (DEC. 26) - The Surinamese army officials who seized power in a bloodless Christmas Eve coup pledged Wednesday to respect the country's constitution and to convene the National Assembly in the near future.

Paramaribo was quiet on Wednesday, a national holiday in this former Dutch colony on South America's northeastern coast, and there were no reports of public opposition to the military coup.

The military overthrew the elected government of President Ramsewak Shankar on Monday, and his ministers submitted their resignations Tuesday at the behest of the coup leader, Army Chief Lieutenant Ivan Graanoogst.

In a five-point declaration issued Wednesday the Military Authority, a supreme council headed by Lt. Graanoogst, suggested a convening of the 51-seat National Assembly -- which elected Mr. Shankar in November 1987 -- to recognize the president's resignation and possibly create a new government.

The official Suriname News Agency said Mr. Shankar and his vice-president, Henck Aaron, met Wednesday to prepare their formal resignations.

In its statement, the ruling Military Authority said that "the constitution and the resulting rights of the Surinamese people will be respected uncurtailed" and that the "democratic constitutional state ... will be a guideline for the Military Authority in its actions."

It also pledged to recognize the legislative role of the National Assembly and to convene the body "in the shortest possible time" so that it can carry out its mandate "as far as possible."

The military also said that the national media was free to operate normally, but added that "the Military Authority ... strongly urges the press to fulfil its tasks with national responsibility."

Wednesday's declaration made no mention of national elections, which Lt. Graanoogst pledged on Tuesday to hold within 100 days.

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#90360d3400 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRASILIA, Dec 26 (AFP) - Brazil announced Wednesday a 10-year, three-billion-dollar initiative to reforest a large part of the Amazon region and to protect much of the area from further damage by mining interests.

Minister for Infrastructure Ozires Silva said the government plan envisaged the reforestation of some one million hectares (2.5 million acres) and would also protect some 300,000 hectares (750,000 acres) in the Carajas region from further encroachment by mining.

Mr. Silva insisted the government program was two-pronged. "Not only will we cease deforestation," he promised, "but we will preserve what we have."

The minister said the project would be financed by private national and multinational companies.

He added that any company granted mining rights in the Carajas region, which still has nearly 10 million hectares (25 million acres) of virgin forest, will be obliged to replenish any damaged forestry.

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#90360d3430 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FREETOWN (DEC. 26) - About 100 children have been abruptly discharged from the main children's hospital in the Sierra Leone capital due to a strike by utility workers, medical and labour union officials said Wednesday.

The children, some of them bandaged after surgery, were sent home on Monday because "the workers went on the offensive against nurses and doctors who refused to join them in the protest", one doctor said.

A spokesman for the strikers, Tamba Moriba, said they were protesting against short payment of their November wages. He said that instead of 2,500 leones a month (14 dollars), they were only paid 1,800 leones.

One nurse said the strikers were "violent and went from ward to ward, trying to get the nurses to walk out and join them in their protest."

At the main Cannaught Hospital in Freetown, the second to be affected by the strike, the utility workers manhandled doctors to prevent them from discharging their duties to the sick, an executive member of the Sierra Leone Medical and Dental association told Agence France-Presse on Wednesday.

He said his association had also had reports of "workers refusing to allow relatives of patients to attend to them or bring in food to the sick, some of them in critical condition."

No deaths have been reported, one medical source said.

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#90360d3540 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRINDISI, Italy (DEC. 26) - Two Albanian fishermen have hijacked a boat in which they were workers to this southeastern Italian port and asked for political asylum, local officials said here Wednesday.

Aqif Haruni, 32, and Wladimir Milo, 29, locked up their four fellow crewmen and took control of the vessel to sail here. The other crew were waiting for the weather to improve before returning to Albania, the officials added.

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#90360d3560 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BUCHAREST (DEC. 26) - Three opposition formations, including Romania's only monarchist party, protested on Wednesday against the Romanian government's expulsion of former King Michael.

The National Agrarian Party, in a statement published by the news agency Rompres, said: "After 43 years of exile imposed by the communist dictatorship,

King Michael, who retained his Romanian citizenship with dignity, has the right to return to his homeland."

The Free Monarchist Party, Romania's only openly monarchist party, criticized the expulsion of the former king as an act of "blasphemy."

The non-parliamentary opposition Timisoara Association asked: "Why are authorities afraid of King Michael," and protested against "this latest arbitrary and flagrant violation of human rights."

The former king was flown to Switzerland on Wednesday aboard a Romanian government jet, less than 12 hours after he arrived back unannounced from exile.

-30- 1137

#90360d3670 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TUNIS (DEC. 26) - A Tunisian diplomat with more than 30 years' service has been sentenced to death for "secret dealings with a foreign country," court sources and his family said here Wednesday.

They said Lamari Dali, 58, arrested in October, was sentenced here by the Court of Appeal late Tuesday after a closed-doors trial.

Mr. Dali's lawyer stated on Wednesday that the case would go to the Supreme Court. If the verdict was confirmed, the "last resort for clemency" lay with the head of state, defence counsel Mohamed Salah Ksouri added.

The embassy in Brussels said at the time of Mr. Dali's arrest here that he was being investigated for passing confidential information to foreign diplomats based in the Tunisian capital. Some of Mr. Dali's family live in Belgium.

Family members said that he had been picked up while at home entertaining a couple of American diplomats.

The foreign country concerned has not been named. A career diplomat for 32 years, Mr. Dali has served in Madrid, Berlin and Bonn.

While still legal in Tunisia, the death penalty has not been applied since President Zine el Abidine Ben Ali came to power in 1987, except in the case of the "monster of Nabeul", Nasser Damergi, who was executed on November 18 for the murder of 13 children.

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#90360d3690 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PARIS (DEC. 26) - French people are worried about economic prospects and foresee rising joblessness, according to an opinion poll by the official national statistics institute INSEE published Wednesday.

More than 20 per cent of householders polled in October and November thought prices had risen quickly in the previous six months, as against 16 per cent of those asked in May.

An increased inflation rate was predicted by 25 per cent of those polled.

Unemployment was also on the increase, according to more than half of respondents, the highest percentage since late 1988.

Householders were generally less confident about their own financial future than they were six months ago, particularly self-employed workers and those without jobs.

Savings power was dropping off, said 38 per cent of those polled, but high

rates of return notably in investment in real estate had contributed to a "slightly" higher trend to save than in the previous six months, INSEE said.

The number of people planning major purchases was down except where large household goods were concerned, with firm commitments to buy new automobiles down 6.7 per cent in a year.

INSEE attributed the latest trends to fears of inflation and "the impact of international political tensions on oil prices". The poll, carried out between October 15 and November 5, covered 6,908 households representative of people living in France.

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#90360d3760 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RABAT (DEC. 26) - Moroccan courts on Wednesday handed down prison sentences ranging from three months to one year on 47 people arrested during rioting which broke out during a general strike on December 14.

A court in the northern city of Tangiers sentenced 40 people arrested in connection with the disturbances to prison terms ranging from three months to one year, and acquitted one person.

In Meknes, central Morocco, another court handed down jail terms on seven people arrested in nearby El-Hajab during the rioting, ranging from six months to one year.

Among the charges against the defendants were disturbing public order, rebellion and illegal gathering.

In Fez, the court of appeal decided to postpone until January 3 the trials of 85 people also arrested during rioting on December 14.

The prisoners are variously charged with crimes including arson, looting, theft and assault.

On Tuesday, another court in Fez sentenced 40 people to prison terms of between one and seven years.

Meanwhile, a consultative committee on human rights set up by Morocco's King Hassan II asked him on Wednesday to halve the time for which suspected criminals may be held without trial.

A committee report to the king recommended that the detention period be cut to two months, renewable five times at most before trial. Under the penal code, suspects can currently be held for indefinitely renewable four-month stretches.

There are some 32,000 prisoners in Morocco, two-thirds of whom are still

awaiting trial, according to one member of the committee which drew up the recommendations.

The committee also recommended that close surveillance on people suspected of breaching state security should not be allowed without criminal proceedings for more than 48 hours, renewable by 24 hours.

Surveillance currently runs to six days.

If the king accepts the recommendations, they will be put to parliament as a bill. King Hassan set up the committee in May to advise him on all aspects of human rights in the north African nation.

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#90360d3960 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 26) - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein may decide to take the military initiative by attacking the forces deployed against him before the January 15 U.N. deadline, according to General Peter de la Billiere, commander of British forces in the Gulf.

"There is nothing sacrosanct about the 15 January," General de la Billiere said, in remarks made in Saudi Arabia and reported here. The United Nations has given Iraq until January 15 to end its occupation of Kuwait, or face force from a U.S.-led coalition positioned in the Gulf region.

"If Saddam Hussein decides to take a military initiatve, it could well come before," the general told British journalists in Saudi Arabia.

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#90360d4040 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIYADH (DEC. 26) - Multinational naval forces implementing an economic embargo against Iraq had intercepted a total of 5,833 ships by late Wednesday, U.S. military officials said in a press briefing here.

The forces had intercepted 67 ships in the previous 24 hours and boarded three to inspect their cargo, Lieutenant Colonel Greg Pepin of the army said.

One was the Iraqi-flagged Ibn Khaldoon, which had civilians on a peace mission aboard, officials said.

A total of 713 ships have been boarded since the United Nations embargo was imposed against Iraq in August.

Most interceptions have taken place in the Northern Red Sea or the Arabian Sea Lt.-Col. Pepin added.

Thirty ships have been diverted and 10, including the Ibn Khaldoon, have received warning shots to allow multinational forces to come aboard, he said.

The interceptions are causing Iraq to lose an estimated 100 million dollars in revenue daily, or about three billion dollars a month.

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#90360d4220 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON, Dec 26 (AFP) - U.S. President George Bush will interrupt his holiday at the Camp David, Maryland, presidential retreat Thursday to return to Washington for what officials said was routine work, the White House said Wednesday.

Mr. Bush has no plans for staff consultations and he is not rushing back to the White House to deal with anything related to the Gulf crisis, said spokesman Steve Hart.

However, Mr. Bush will likely meet with National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft as he does daily while in Washington, Mr. Hart said.

One White House source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Mr. Bush,

who is regarded as a workaholic, was "bored to tears" midway through his 12-day stay at the retreat in Western Maryland.

Mr. Bush is scheduled to return to Washington January 1.

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#90360d4250 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK, (DEC 26) - The world will increasingly look to the United Nations in times of crisis in the coming year, Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar said Wednesday.

"The year 1990 brought to the United Nations broadened vistas and new and profound challenges," Mr. Perez de Cuellar said in his end of the year message to the United Nations.

"The organization's perspectives have widened and deepened as statesmen the world over have re-identified and confirmed the central role of the U.N. in advancing international cooperation," he added.

He said that "the world now looks to the U.N. with increased expectations."

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#90360d4300 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BAGHDAD (DEC. 26) - Iraq is ready for "serious and constructive dialogue, on the basis of mutual respect," with the United States and other parties to the Gulf crisis, President Saddam Hussein said Wednesday.

In a speech to six Iraqi ambassadors to key countries involved in the conflict who were recalled to the capital earlier this week, Mr. Hussein said that it was Iraq which had first called for talks with the United States and other concerned parties.

Cited by the Iraqi news agency INA, Mr. Hussein also reiterated his demand for any talks to be based on proposals he made on August 12, and which link the Kuwait crisis to other problems of the Middle East, notably the Palestinian issue.

The Iraqi leader also said that Iraq's people were "ready to make sacrifices and certain of victory" in the "battle being waged by Iraq against evil and aggressive forces led by the government of the United States."

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#90360d4340 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) - The U.S. State Department Wednesday advised U.S. citizens to defer all non-essential travel to Suriname in the wake of Monday's military coup in that South American nation.

"American citizens currently in Suriname are advised to remain indoors," said the travel advisory. "International airports and harbors remain open."

The advisory, effective through January 15, did not cite any specific danger. It gave the U.S. Embassy's telephone number in Paramaribo as 77881.

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#90360d4360 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (DEC. 26) - The Iranian foreign ministry on Wednesday reacted favorably to the final declaration Tuesday of a meeting of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), which condemed Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and called for special relations with Iran.

In a statement on official Teheran Radio, ministry spokesman Morteza Sarmadi said: "Iran greets favorable the postive points of the final declaration of the GCC and considers that they constitute a step towards the development of relations with member states."

The council's members are Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar and Bahrain.

"Iran believes firmly that regional relations must be developed on the

principles of mutual respect and understanding," Mr. Sarmadi said.

"Iran hopes that this gesture of the council will be a beginning in the development of cooperation between the states of the Persian gulf region, to defend Moslem countries of this vital waterway and to put an end to the presence of foreign forces," he added.

He said Iraq "must better understand the danger to the region of the presence of foreign forces and get out of Kuwait as rapidly as possible to remove the pretext for these forces and to stymie their expansionist plans."

Mr. Sarmadi said Iran "is disposed to consult these neighboring countries and to collaborate with them towards building the foundations of cooperation and deepening multilateral relations and to maintain the security of the region free from any foreign interference."

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#90360d4380 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SEOUL, Dec 27 (AFP) - South Korean President Roh Tae-Woo was expected to drastically reshuffle his government Thursday, changing the heads of at least 10 ministries.

The prime minister, foreign minister and head of trade and industry were to all to lose their jobs, state-run television KBS reported.

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#90360d4590 12/26/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) - Hong Kong is violating international law by keeping Vietnamese refugees in detention camps for "prolongued" periods of time while they await screening for asylum, a U.S.-based human rights group charges.

The Lawyers Committee for Human Rights recently sent a letters to Hong Kong Governor Sir David Wilson calling for release of the Vietnamese asylum seekers in the camps.

"The woefully inadequate living conditions now prevalent in Hong Kong's detention centers reflect a conscious government policy to deprive Vietnamese asylum seekers of such basic dignity," said Arthur Helton, director of the committee's refugee project, in his letter to Mr. Wilson.

A copy of the letter was sent to U.S. Secretary of State James Baker with a request for U.S. intervention with the Hong Kong authorities.

Last year the group recommended that the detention policy -- which was implemented with the screening process in 1988 after 13 years of Vietnamese refugees fleeing to Hong Kong -- be ended.

The committee has again called for an end to the policy, underscoring long periods of detention.

"The duration itself is one important difference," said Mr. Helton Wednesday. "It was questionable before and now it is clearly a violation of international law due to the prolongued and arbitrary character of the detention."

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#90360e0028 12/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC. 26) EFE - A Palestinian was shot dead Wednesday after stabbing three Israeli soldiers in the occupied Gaza strip, according to military sources.

Palestianian sources said another 28 Palestinians were wounded in demonstrations in the Israeli-occupied region during celebrations to mark the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Al Fatah guerrilla group.

The latest victim in the wave of violence that has followed the October 8 slaying of 17 Palestinians by police in Jerusalem, was named as Alah Abdul Latif, a 30-year-old carpenter.

Two of the soldiers he attacked in a Gaza street were said to be in a serious condition in a Tel Aviv hospital, according to state radio.

The Palestinian sources said 20 of the 28 Palestinians were wounded when Israeli security forces opened fire on a Palestinian march near the Rafah refugee camp on the Egyptian border.

The other eight were wounded in a separate demonstration in nearby Khan Yunis. All had been taken to local hospitals, they said.

Leaders of the Palestinian intifada, or uprising, against Israeli rule had declared Wednesday the start of celebrations to mark the founding of Al Fatah, which was formed on January 1, 1965.

Al Fatah is the main guerrilla group within the Palestine Liberation Organization and headed by PLO chairman Yasser Arafat.

Since the intifada began three years ago some 780 Palestinians have been killed by Israelis in the Gaza Strip and West Bank, both seized by Israeli during the Six Day War of 1967.

Another 322 Palestinians have been killed by their own people, accused of being Israeli collaborators, and 57 Israelis have been killed by Arabs.

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#90360e0032 12/26/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NICOSIA (DEC. 26) EFE - Interior Minister Muhammad Abd al-Wahab on Wednesday praised Iraq's defense units for an emergency drill which evacuated a million people from Baghdad five days ago, the official Iraqi news agency INA reported.

Abd al-Wahab, who is also High Commission President for the Civil Defense, told a news conference in Baghdad that the results of Friday's exercise were "positive and precise".

The minister said it was vital to take measures to protect the population in the event of war.

Abd al-Wahab added that 4,238 instruction centers had been opened throughout the country and that 314 more would open next week.

The centers are instructing Iraqis in basic first aid as well as showing them how to use gas masks and what to do during air raids.

The United Nations Security Council has set Iraq a January 15 deadline to withdraw from Kuwait or face possible attack by U.S.-led multinational forces stationed in the Gulf region following Baghdad's August invasion of Kuwait.

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#90360h0045 12/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

COLOMBO (DEC. 26) XINHUA - PETROLEUM PRICE WILL BE REDUCED BY ABOUT 15 PERCENT FROM TONIGHT, THE SRI LANKA PETROLEUM CORPORATION ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE NEW PRICE OF PETROL WILL BE 30 RUPEES (75 U.S. CENTS) PER LITER -- A REDUCTION OF FIVE RUPEES, AND DIESEL 11 RUPEES -- DOWN FROM 13 RUPEES.

THE PRICE REDUCTION OF PETROL AND DIESEL WAS ANNOUNCED EARLIER AND SCHEDULED TO BECOME EFFECTIVE FROM JANUARY 1, 1991, BUT NOW THE PRICE CUT WILL BE INTRODUCED TONIGHT.

PETROLEUM CORPORATION CHAIRMAN S. THALPAHEWA SAID THAT THE SHIPMENT OF CRUDE OIL PURCHASED AT THE REDUCED PRICE OF 23 U.S. DOLLARS A BARREL IS BEING DISCHARGED AND THAT IS THE REASON FOR THE EARLY PRICE CUT TONIGHT.

"IF THERE ARE FURTHER REDUCTION IT WILL BE PASSED ON TO THE CONSUMER," HE ADDED.

THE SRI LANKAN GOVERNMENT HAS RAISED THE PRICES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS TWICE BY 65 PERCENT SINCE THE GULF CRISIS BROKE OUT ON AUGUST 2 THIS YEAR.

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#90360h0049 12/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (DEC. 26) XINHUA - A CONTRACT FOR IMPORTING TWO SETS OF 300-MW ELECTRIC GENERATORS FROM THE SOVIET UNION FOR THE YINGKOU POWER PLANT IN NORTHEAST CHINA WAS SIGNED BY CHINESE AND SOVIET CORPORATIONS HERE TODAY

THE DEAL WAS CLOSED BY THE CHINESE HUANENG INTERNATIONAL POWER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND THE USSR POWER EQUIPMENT EXPORT CORPORATION.

THE CHINESE FIRM WILL REPAY 80 PERCENT OF THE LOAN TO BE USED TO PURCHASE THE EQUIPMENT IN THE FORM OF DEFERRED PAYMENTS AND BARTER TRADE. THE REST WILL BE RETURNED BY SELLING DAILY NECESSITIES AND LIGHT, TEXTILE, AND ELECTRONICS PRODUCTS.

UNDER THE CONTRACT, THE YINGKOU POWER PLANT WILL GO INTO OPERATION IN FEBRUARY OF 1994. ENDITEM 26/12/90 14:03 GMT

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#90360h0063 12/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
BEIJING (DEC. 26) XINHUA- THE SHANGHAI BROADCASTING AND TELEVISION DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION HAS DECIDED TO BUILD A 450-METER TV TOWER IN THE LUJIAJU DISTRICT OF THE PUDONG AREA IN SHANGHAI MUNICIPALITY, ACCORDING TO TODAY'S "ECONOMIC REFERENCE" NEWSPAPER.

THE TOWER WILL BE THE HIGHEST OF ITS KIND IN ASIA AND THE THIRD HIGHEST IN THE WORLD. THE TOTAL INVESTMENT IN THE TOWER WILL BE AROUND 200 MILLION YUAN (NEARLY 40 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS).

CONSTRUCTION OF THE TOWER WILL START IN JUNE, 1991 AND BE COMPLETED BEFORE THE END OF 1993.

TWO DOMESTIC BANKS IN SHANGHAI HAVE BEEN ENTRUSTED TO COLLECT FUNDS TO BE USED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE TOWER.

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#90360h0069 12/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
MEXICO CITY (DEC. 25) XINHUA - MEXICO WILL INVEST 2.5 BILLION DOLLARS IN ITS PETROLEUM SECTOR TO EXPAND ITS OIL AND NATURAL GAS OUTPUT CAPACITY WHILE MAINTAINING ITS PROVED RESERVES.

ACCORDING TO THE 1991 FEDERAL BUDGET, THE FUNDS WILL BE USED TO DEVELOP OIL EXPLORATION, WELL DRILLING AND INDUSTRIAL HYDRO- CARBON PROCESSING AND COMMERCIALIZATION.

60 PERCENT OF INVESTMENTS WILL BE CHANNELED INTO THE SECTORS OF GEOLOGICAL AND GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION, MAINLY IN OFFSHORE OILFIELDS LIKE CAMPECHE, TABASCO AND ABKATUN.

IN 1990, MEXICO INVESTED MORE THAN THREE BILLON DOLLARS TO GUARANTEE SUPPLIES FOR THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MARKETS, IT WAS INFORMED.

MEXICO'S INVESTMENTS ARE AIMED AT RAISING ITS CURRENT PROVED OIL RESERVES THAT AVERAGE 66,500 MILLION BARRELS.

THE COUNTRY'S CRUDE OIL OUTPUT COULD REACH 977.105 MILLION BARRELS THIS YEAR, AN AVERAGE OF 2.677 MILLION BARRELS A DAY.

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#90360h0073 12/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

LUANDA (DEC. 26) XINHUA - FRANCE WILL EXTEND ANGOLA AN AID OF 81 MILLION FRENCH FRANCS UNDER TWO AGREEMENTS CONCLUDED RECENTLY BETWEEN THE NATIONAL BANK OF ANGOLA AND THE FRENCH CENTRAL SAVINGS BANK FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION.

UNDER THE AGREEMENTS, 71 MILLION FRENCH FRANCS WILL BE USED TO REPAIR DIESEL GENERATOR PLANTS IN NAMIBE AND LOBITO CITIES, WHILE THE REMAINING 10 MILLION WILL FINANCE TECHNICAL CONSUL- TATION SERVICE, THE ANGOLA NATIONAL PRESS AGENCY REPORTED TO- DAY.

UP TO NOW, THE FRENCH BANK HAS PROVIDED 606 MILLION FRENCH FRANCS TO ANGOLA TO FINANCE THE COUNTRY'S INFRASTRUCTURE DE- VELOPMENT AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING.

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#90360h0094 12/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) (XINHUA) -- AS THE JANUARY 15 DEADLINE FOR IRAQI WITHDRAWAL FROM KUWAIT IS GETTING CLOSER, THE STATE DEPARTMENT TODAY ORDERED ALL NON-ESSENTIAL U.S. GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL TO LEAVE JORDAN, YEMEN AND SUDAN.

UNDER THE ORDER ISSUED TODAY, "ALL NON-ESSENTIAL U.S. GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES AND DEPENDENTS OF UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL" WILL HAVE TO LEAVE THE THREE COUNTRIES "WELL BEFORE JANUARY 15."

U.S. CITIZENS WERE ALSO WARNED TO LEAVE BAHRAIN, THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, QATAR, THE EASTERN PROVINCE OF SAUDI ARABIA AND MAURITANIA.

THE ORDERS AND WARNINGS WERE LINKED TO THE "UNSTABLE CONDITIONS" AND THE INCREASING ANTI-AMERICAN SENTIMENT IN THOSE SEVEN COUNTRIES.

RICHARD BOUCHER, DEPUTY SPOKESMAN OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT, SAID THE ORDERS AND WARNINGS WERE NOT TRIGGERED BY ANY SPECIFIC EVENT, BUT "THE UNSTABLE CONDITIONS IN THE REGION CREATED BY THE IRAQI INVASION AND OCCUPATION OF KUWAIT HAVE INTENSIFIED FOLLOWING THE UNITED NATIONS DECISION TO SET A DEADLINE FOR THE IRAQI WITHDRAWAL."

IN JORDAN, ACCORDING TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT, THERE ARE ABOUT 165 U.S. GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES AND DEPENDENTS PLUS ABOUT 6,000 PRIVATE U.S. CITIZENS, MOST OF THEM THE SPOUSES AND CHILDREN OF U.S. CITIZENS.

IN SUDAN, THERE ARE 70 U.S. GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, 50 DEPENDENTS OF U.S. EMPLOYEES AND BETWEEN 200 AND 250 PRIVATE AMERICANS, MOST OF THEM INVOLVED WITH HUMANITARIAN AID PROJECTS.

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#90360h0096 12/26/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

CAIRO (DEC. 26) XINHUA - EGYPT TODAY EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR THE DEMAND OF THE GULF ARAB LEADERS FOR UNCONDITIONAL IRAQI WITHDRAWAL FROM KUWAIT BY JANUARY 15, ACCORDING TO THE MIDDLE EAST NEWS AGENCY.

FOREIGN MINISTER ESMAT ABDUL-MEGUID, COMMENTING ON THE 11TH GULF COOPERATION COUNCIL (GCC) SUMMIT WHICH ENDED TUESDAY, SAID THE RESULT OF THE SUMMIT SERVED AS "A NEW EVIDENCE TO THE ORIGINAL POSITION OF THE GCC MEMBER COUNTRIES" ON THE GULF CRISIS.

THE GCC SUMMIT HELD IN DOHA OF QATAR ISSUED A COMMUNIQUE DEMANDING IRAQ'S UNCONDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL AND PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION FOR ALL THE DAMAGE CAUSED BY IRAQ'S AUGUST 2 INVASION OF KUWAIT.

ABDUL-MEGUID SAID THE OUTCOME OF THE DOHA SUMMIT REFLECTED THE "SINCERE ASPIRATIONS OF THE ARAB PEOPLE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF LEGITIMACY, SECURITY AND PEACE" IN THE REGION.

"THE DOHA SUMMIT UNDERLINED THE RESOLVE OF THE GCC MEMBER COUNTRIES TO CONFRONT IRAQI AGGRESSION AGAINST KUWAIT ON THE BASIS OF THE ARAB AND INTERNATIONAL LEGITIMACY," HE ADDED. THE GCC GROUPS KUWAIT, SAUDI ARABIA, QATAR, BAHRAIN, THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES AND OMAN.

THE FOREIGN MINISTER ALSO SAID THE GCC'S CALL UPON IRAQ TO WITHDRAW FROM KUWAIT ECHOED AN APPEAL BY PRESIDENT HOSNI MUBARAK URGING IRAQI LEADERSHIP TO "MAKE COURAGEOUS DECISION TO QUIT KUWAIT."

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#90360k0016 12/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 26) KYODO - SALES AT DEPARTMENT STORES AND SUPERMARKETS IN NOVEMBER ROSE 6.6 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER TO 1,712.4 BILLION YEN, THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) REPORTED WEDNESDAY.

THE NOVEMBER UPSWING FOLLOWED A 4.8 PERCENT YEAR-ON-YEAR GAIN IN OCTOBER AND 9.1 PERCENT RISE IN SEPTEMBER.

SALES OF FOODSTUFFS ADVANCED 10.1 PERCENT DUE TO STRONG DEMAND FOR FRESH FOODS

AND GIFT PRODUCTS.

BUT SALES OF SEASONAL PRODUCTS LIKE HEATING EQUIPMENT AND WINTER CLOTHES WERE SLIGHTLY SLOWER THAN USUAL BECAUSE OF THE RECORD-BREAKING WARM WEATHER, MITI OFFICIALS SAID.

SALES AT 378 DEPARTMENT STORES NATIONWIDE PICKED UP 6.7 PERCENT TO 948.9 BILLION YEN IN NOVEMBER, WHILE THOSE AT 1,978 SUPERMARKETS CLIMBED 6.5 PERCENT TO 763.5 BILLION YEN, MITI SAID.

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#90360k0021 12/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

SINGAPORE (DEC. 26) KYODO - TAIWANESE PREMIER HAU PEI-TSUN ARRIVED IN SINGAPORE ON WEDNESDAY ON A FOUR-DAY VISIT DESCRIBED AS PRIVATE.

HAU ARRIVED AT THE AIRPORT WITH HIS WIFE AND SENIOR OFFICIALS, INCLUDING THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION OFFICE, SHAW YU-MING, AND THE VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL FOR ECONOMIC PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, CHANG LUNG-SHENG.

THE VISIT IS THE FIRST BY A HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL FROM TAIPEI SINCE SINGAPORE AND BEIJING ESTABLISHED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS IN OCTOBER.

TAIWANESE SOURCES SAID HAU IS LIKELY TO MEET SINGAPORE PRIME MINISTER GOH CHOK TONG, FORMER PREMIER LEE KUAN YEW, WHO IS NOW A SENIOR CABINET MINISTER, AND PRESIDENT WEE KIM WEE.

SINGAPORE AND TAIWAN MAINTAIN FRIENDLY CONTACTS ALTHOUGH THEY DO NOT HAVE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS.

SINGAPORE SENDS ITS ARMED FORCES TO TAIWAN FOR TRAINING, WHILE ITS OFFICIALS REGULARLY VISIT THE COUNTRY ON PRIVATE VISITS.

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OSAKA (DEC. 26) KYODO - NIKKO CO., A JAPANESE FIRM SPECIALIZING IN CIVIL ENGINEERING AND PLANT CONSTRUCTION PLANTS, SAID WEDNESDAY IT HAS SIGNED A CAPITAL AFFILIATION AGREEMENT WITH OTTO BENNINGHOVEN OF GERMANY.

NIKKO, BASED IN AKASHI, HYOGO PREFECTURE IN WESTERN JAPAN, WILL ACQUIRE A 30 PERCENT STAKE IN THE MAJOR GERMAN CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY MAKER UNDER THE AGREEMENT. IT WILL ALSO PURCHASE 30 PERCENT OF THE SHARES TO BE ISSUED BY THE GERMAN COMPANY TO INCREASE ITS CAPITAL.

THE AGREEMENT WILL ENABLE NIKKO TO ESTABLISH A PRODUCTION AND MARKETING FOOTHOLD IN EUROPE AHEAD OF THE INTEGRATION OF THE COMMON MARKET SCHEDULED FOR

1992.

THE TWO COMPANIES WILL ALSO EXCHANGE NEW TECHNOLOGY, NIKKO SAID.

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TOKYO (DEC. 26) KYODO - JAPAN'S MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD SPENDING LAST YEAR AVERAGED 305,196 YEN, UP AN INFLATION-ADJUSTED 9.8 PERCENT FROM FIVE YEARS AGO FOR AN ANNUAL GROWTH RATE OF 1.9 PERCENT OVER THE PERIOD, A GOVERNMENT REPORT SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE SURVEY, TAKEN EVERY FIVE YEARS BY THE ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY, COMPARED THE REAL GROWTH RATE WITH THE 0.2 PERCENT GAIN FIVE YEARS AGO AND THE 10.1 PERCENT GROWTH 10 YEARS AGO.

EXPENDITURES ON FOOD WAS HIGHEST AT 80,983 YEN, ACCOUNTING FOR 26.5 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL, FOLLOWED BY ''MISCELLANEOUS'' SPENDING WHICH TOOK A 25.9 PERCENT SHARE AT 79,044 YEN.

THIRD WAS SPENDING ON TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS, 10.5 PERCENT AT 31,929 YEN FOLLOWED BY CULTURE AND LEISURE, 8.8 PERCENT AT 26,763 YEN.

COMPARED WITH FIVE YEARS AGO, THE SHARE OF SPENDING ON FOOD DECLINED 3.8 PERCENTAGE POINTS, WHILE A 1.3 POINT RISE WAS SEEN EACH IN THE SHARES OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION, AND EDUCATION, THE REPORT SAID.

PRETAX MONTHLY INCOME FOR EACH HOUSEHOLD ROSE 13.1 PERCENT TO 446,828 YEN DURING THE FIVE-YEAR PERIOD, SUBSTANTIALLY HIGHER THAN THE 5.7 PERCENT GROWTH IN THE PREVIOUS SURVEY IN 1984.

THE HEAD OF THE HOUSEHOLD EARNED 77.3 PERCENT OF TOTAL INCOME, COMPARED WITH 81-82 PERCENT IN THE YEARS FROM 1959 TO 1971, AS INCOME EARNED BY THE SPOUSE GRADUALLY INCREASED WITH THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN. THE SPOUSE EARNED 9.2 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL, COMPARED WITH ONLY 3.0 PERCENT IN 1959.

HOUSEHOLDS WHERE THE SPOUSE HAD AN INCOME SAW A 14.5 PERCENT INCOME GROWTH IN FIVE YEARS, UP MORE THAN 4 POINTS ON THE 10.8 PERCENT GROWTH POSTED BY SINGLE-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS.

OF THE DOUBLE INCOME HOUSEHOLDS, INCOME BY THE HEAD OF THE HOUSEHOLD ACCOUNTED FOR 67.9 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL AT 335,266 YEN, WHILE THAT OF THE SPOUSE ACCOUNTED FOR 21.1 PERCENT AT 103,958 YEN.

HOUSEHOLDS WHERE SPOUSES WORKED FULL-TIME HAD THE BEST INCOME AMONG DOUBLE-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS AT 581,074 YEN, COMPARED WITH THOSE WITH PART-TIME WORKING SPOUSES WHOSE INCOME RANGED FROM 440,000 TO 480,000 YEN.

TWO-INCOME FAMILIES SPENT MORE ON ''MISCELLANEOUS'' ITEMS, CULTURE AND LEISURE CLOTHES, AND TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS.

IN CONTRAST, HOUSEHOLDS WHERE THE SPOUSE WORKED PART-TIME SPENT MORE ON FOOD AND EDUCATION.

HOUSEHOLDS INCLUDING NON-INCOME-EARNING ELDERLY HAD 1.1 TIMES MORE INCOME THAN THE AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD, AND 94.8 PERCENT OF SUCH HOUSEHOLDS WERE HOME OWNERS.

THEY ALSO HAD MORE SAVINGS AT 12.14 MILLION YEN, COMPARED WITH THE AVERAGE OF 8.72 MILLION YEN, AND FEWER LIABILITIES AT 2.98 MILLION YEN, COMPARED WITH THE AVERAGE OF 3.53 MILLION.

HOUSEHOLDS WITH HOUSING LOANS HAD 20.1 PERCENT MORE INCOME THAN THOSE WITHOUT HOUSING LOANS AND DEPENDED MORE ON INCOME BY THE SPOUSE.

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#90360k0066 12/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

NAGASAKI (DEC. 26) KYODO - MITSUBISHI HEAVY INDUSTRIES, LTD. SAID WEDNESDAY IT WILL BUILD A PLANT SPECIALIZING IN THE PRODUCTION OF AEROSPACE-RELATED EQUIPMENT AT ITS DOCKYARD IN NAGASAKI PREFECTURE.

THE NEW FACILITY AT THE ISAHAYA PLANT IN THE WESTERN JAPAN PREFECTURE WILL BE THE FIRST OF ITS KIND FOR THE COMPANY. INVESTMENT IS ESTIMATED AT 1 BILLION YEN.

THE NEW PLANT, EQUIPPED WITH BOTH PRODUCTION AND TESTING FACILITIES COVERING TOTAL SPACE OF 1,522 SQUARE METERS, IS SCHEDULED TO START OPERATION IN AUGUST NEXT YEAR. CONSTRUCTION IS TO BEGIN IN JANUARY.

THE COMPANY SAID THE NEW PLANT WILL DEVELOP AND MANUFACTURE POSITION CONTROL SYSTEMS FOR ROCKETS AND ARTIFICIAL SATELLITES, MAINLY FOR THE EDUCATION MINISTRY'S INSTITUTE OF SPACE AND ASTRONAUTICAL SCIENCE.

THE TESTING FACILITY WILL COOPERATE WITH THE INSTITUTE IN DEVELOPING CONTROL EQUIPMENT FOR A PLANETARY PROBE PLANNED BY THE MINISTRY.

THE PLANT WILL HAVE A STAFF OF ABOUT 10 INITIALLY. THE PROJECT IS IN LINE WITH THE COMPANY'S STRATEGY AIMED AT CONSOLIDATING ITS STANDING AS A LEADING AEROSPACE EQUIPMENT MAKER.

MITSUBISHI HAS SO FAR PRODUCED ROCKETS AND SPACE-RELATED EQUIPMENT FOR THE NATIONAL SPACE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY IN ITS PLANT AT NAGOYA IN CENTRAL JAPAN.

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#90360k0076 12/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 26) KYODO- FOREIGN MINISTER TARO NAKAYAMA HAS DECIDED TO POSTPONE HIS VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION SLATED FOR EARLY JANUARY, FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID WEDNESDAY.

OFFICIALS SAID THE DECISION WAS MADE AFTER CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS, CITING THE CURRENT POLITICAL SITUATION IN THE SOVIET UNION AS THE REASON.

LAST WEEK, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNAZE WARNED THAT THE SOVIET UNION WAS HEADED FOR DICTATORSHIP AND ANNOUNCED HIS INTENTION TO RESIGN.

EARLY IN THE DAY, NAKAYAMA SAID HE WAS STILL WAITING FOR MOSCOW'S REPLY TO HIS PROPOSAL FOR HOLDING REGULAR CONSULTATIONS WITH SHEVARDNADZE TO PAVE THE WAY FOR THE APRIL VISIT TO JAPAN BY PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV.

THE MINISTRY WILL NEGOTIATE WITH THE SOVIET UNION ON NAKAYAMA'S VISIT TO MOSCOW THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90360k0077 12/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 26) KYODO - JAPAN ON WEDNESDAY EXTENDED A 403 MILLION YEN GRANT-IN-AID TO BANGLADESH TO PROMOTE AGRICULTURE IN THE WEST ASIAN COUNTRY, JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

THE OFFICIALS SAID JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO BANGLADESH TAKEO IGUCHI EXCHANGED NOTES COVERING THE GRANT WITH BANGLADESH FINANCE MINISTRY OFFICIAL A.M.M. SHAWKATALI THE SAME DAY IN DHAKA.

THE MONEY WILL BE USED TO EXPAND FACILITIES OF A STATE-RUN GRADUATE SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE, THE INSTITUTE OF POST GRADUATE STUDIES, IN THE NORTHERN SUBURBS OF DHAKA. THE FACILITIES WILL INCLUDE A LIBRARY AND LABORATORIES.

THE AID IS INTENDED TO PROMOTE TRAINING A LARGE NUMBER OF EXPERTS IN AGRICULTURE, THE MAINSTAY INDUSTRY IN THE COUNTRY, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90360k0080 12/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

HANOI (DEC. 26) KYODO - THE VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT WILL OPEN PART OF HAIPHONG HARBOR TO CHINESE SHIPS IN JANUARY, INFORMED SOURCES IN HANOI SAID WEDNESDAY.

THIS WOULD BE THE FIRST TIME THAT CHINESE SHIPS ARE ALLOWED TO CALL FOR SUPPLIES AT A VIETNAMESE PORT SINCE THE FEBRUARY 1979 SINO-VIETNAM BATTLE THAT OCCURRED AFTER HANOI SENT ITS TROOPS TO CAMBODIA.

HAIPHONG, THE LARGEST PORT IN NORTHERN VIETNAM, EXTENDS OVER 1.7 KILOMETERS AND HAS 11 PIERS SERVING VESSELS WEIGHING UP TO 30,000 TONS.

THE HARBOR, ABOUT 100 KILOMETERS EAST OF HANOI, IS CLOSE ENOUGH TO SOUTHERN CHINA THAT IT MIGHT BE ABLE TO PLAY A ROLE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHINA'S YUNNAN PROVINCE.

THE EXPECTED OPENING OF THE VIETNAMESE PORT TO CHINA SHOWS THAT NEGOTIATIONS ON NORMALIZING RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, STRAINED SINCE 1979, HAVE BEEN MAKING PROGRESS.

IN SEPTEMBER, VIETNAM'S COMMUNIST PARTY GENERAL SECRETARY NGUYEN VAN LINH MADE A SECRET VISIT TO CHINA TO MEET HIS CHINESE COUNTERPART, JIANG ZEMIN. IN THE SAME MONTH, VIETNAMESE VICE PREMIER VO NGUYEN GIAP WAS INVITED BY THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT TO ATTEND THE ASIAN GAMES IN BEIJING, AND VIETNAMESE ATHLETES COMPETED IN THE EVENT.

CHINA HAS INSISTED THE CAMBODIAN PROBLEM MUST BE SOLVED BEFORE IT NORMALIZES RELATIONS WITH VIETNAM, BUT IT AGREED IN SEPTEMBER TO PROCEED QUICKLY WITH NORMALIZATION TALKS ONCE THE CAMBODIAN ISSUE IS RESOLVED.

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#90360k0081 12/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

YOKOHAMA (DEC. 26) KYODO - POLICE HAVE REARRESTED A MAN FOR ALLEGEDLY POSSESSING MORPHINE SMUGGLED FROM NORTH KOREA, POLICE SAID WEDNESDAY.

THE ARRESTED MAN, MIN YONG KIL, 48, OF TOKYO, HAD BEEN EARLIER INDICTED AND DETAINED FOR ANOTHER STIMULANT CASE.

MIN WAS SUSPECTED OF HAVING 11.5 KILOGRAMS OF A PASTE CONTAINING 20 PERCENT MORPHINE IN 10 TIN CANS AT HIS HOUSE ON SEPTEMBER 27, POLICE SAID.

HE LEFT THE PORT OF NIIGATA IN OCTOBER 1986 FOR NORTH KOREA, WITH 24 TIN CANS AND A CANNING MACHINE, POLICE SAID.

MIN DECLARED 10 TINS WHEN HE RETURNED TO THE PORT IN THE FOLLOWING MONTH.

POLICE SUSPECT MIN SMUGGLED THE DRUGS IN THE TIN CANS. HE ALLEGEDLY TOLD POLICE THAT HE HAD BEEN TOLD BY AN ACQUAINTANCE IN NORTH KOREA THAT IF HE SOLD THE DRUGS IN JAPAN, HE WOULD MAKE A BIG PROFIT.

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#90360k0082 12/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

KATHMANDU (DEC. 26) KYODO - NEPALESE COMMUNISTS HELD A RALLY HERE WEDNESDAY TO COMMEMORATE THE 97TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF CHINA'S FORMER LEADER, MAO ZEDONG.

IT WAS THE FIRST TIME THAT NEPALESE HAD EVER DARED TO OPENLY SHOW THEIR

SYMPATHIES FOR THE LATE CHAIRMAN OF CHINA'S COMMUNIST PARTY.

SPEAKERS AT THE RALLY ORGANIZED BY FIVE MARXIST POLITICAL GROUPS, CALLED FOR USHERING IN WHAT THEY CALLED ''NEW DEMOCRACY'' THROUGH CLASS STRUGGLE IN THE KINGDOM OF 19 MILLION PEOPLE.

PARTICIPANTS IN A PROCESSION ESTIMATED AT 10,000 STRONG RAISED SLOGANS SUCH AS ''WORKERS OF THE WORLD UNITE,'' ''DOWN WITH IMPERIALISM,'' AND ''DOWN WITH REACTIONARIES.''

UNTIL LAST YEAR, MAO'S BIRTHDAY WAS TREATED AS A CLANDESTINE AFFAIR. MAO RULED COMMUNIST CHINA FOR MORE THAN A QUARTER CENTURY UNTIL HIS DEATH IN 1976.

NEPALESE COMMUNISTS HAD ALSO OBSERVED THE BIRTHDAY OF SOVIET LEADER JOSEF STALIN IN THE ADJOINING CITY OF KIRTIPUR LAST WEEK.

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#90360k0094 12/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) KYODO - POLICE ON WEDNESDAY WARNED THAT ILLEGAL DRUGS ARE SPREADING IN JAPAN, WITH COCAINE SEIZURES SHOWING ESPECIALLY RAPID GROWTH.

THE 64 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE SEIZED IN THE JANUARY-NOVEMBER PERIOD WAS 4.7 TIMES AS MUCH AS THE 13.7 KILOGRAMS SEIZED DURING ALL OF 1989, THE PREVIOUS JAPANESE RECORD, THE NATIONAL POLICE AGENCY SAID IN A REPORT. THE AGENCY PUT THE STREET VALUE OF THE COCAINE AT 4.49 BILLION YEN.

LARGE-SCALE SEIZURES, INCLUDING THE HAUL OF 33.4 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE FROM A COLOMBIAN-REGISTERED SHIP IN YOKOHAMA IN MAY, CONTRIBUTED HEAVILY TO THE SURGE THE REPORT SAID.

ABOUT ONE OUT OF EVERY THREE PEOPLE CHARGED IN COCAINE CASES BELONGED TO AN ORGANIZED CRIME GROUP, IT SAID.

POLICE SEIZED 274 KILOGRAMS OF STIMULANTS, UP 57 KILOGRAMS FROM ALL OF LAST YEAR, WORTH 46.58 BILLION YEN ON THE STREET. THEY CHARGED 14,000 PEOPLE IN STIMULANT-RELATED CASES, 44 PERCENT OF WHOM WERE MEMBERS OF ORGANIZED CRIME GROUPS.

OFFICIALS SUSPECT 90 PERCENT OF THE SEIZED STIMULANTS WERE FROM TAIWAN. POLICE CHARGED 1,467 MARIJUANA AND HASHISH USERS, UP 17 PERCENT FROM 1989.

MARIJUANA SEIZURES DECLINED TO SOME 108 KILOGRAMS FROM 588 KILOGRAMS FOR THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, BUT HASHISH SEIZURES SOARED TO 14 KILOGRAMS FROM 2.55 KILOGRAMS. THE STREET VALUE OF SEIZURES OF THE TWO DRUGS WAS A COMBINED 680 MILLION YEN.

THE REPORT ALSO SAID HEROIN CONTINUES TO BE ROUTED TO OTHER NATIONS THROUGH

JAPAN. POLICE SEIZED 9.4 KILOGRAMS IN THE 11-MONTH PERIOD, UP 3.5 KILOGRAMS FROM THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

TURNING TO LSD, POLICE SEIZED 579 TABLETS, WORTH 2.32 MILLION YEN ON THE STREET.

THE AGENCY ALSO WARNED THAT NEW DRUGS FROM EUROPE AND THE UNITED STATES SHOW SIGNS OF SPREADING IN JAPAN, INCLUDING ''ECSTASY,'' A SYNTHETIC HALLUCINOGEN.

THE NATIONAL POLICE AGENCY OFFICIALS SAID THEY ARE MAKING FINAL PREPARATIONS WITH OTHER MINISTRIES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ANTI-DRUG TREATY, WHICH TOOK EFFECT IN NOVEMBER, TO CURB DRUG SMUGGLING INVOLVING JAPANESE AND FOREIGN ORGANIZED CRIME SYNDICATES.

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#90360k0117 12/26/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

HIROSHIMA (DEC. 27) KYODO - RESEARCHERS AT THE RADIATION EFFECTS RESEARCH FOUNDATION (RERF) IN HIROSHIMA SAY THEY HAVE DEVELOPED A QUICK METHOD TO DETECT CELL MUTATION IN PEOPLE EXPOSED TO EXCESSIVE RADIATION.

USING THE TECHNIQUE IT TAKES LESS THAN FIVE HOURS TO MEASURE MUTANT FREQUENCY, WHICH COMPARES WITH MORE THAN TWO WEEKS BY THE CONVENTIONAL PROCESS.

THE RESEARCHERS SAID THEY EXPECT THEIR TECHNIQUE TO BE WIDELY ADOPTED FOR CHECKING THE LEVELS OF RADIOACTIVITY PRESENT IN THE VICTIMS OF NUCLEAR ACCIDENTS.

A FURTHER BENEFIT IS THAT ONLY ONE C.C. OF BLOOD IS REQUIRED FOR THE ASSAYING PROCESS USED TO DETERMINE THE FREQUENCY OF MUTANT T LYMPHOCYTES, CAUSED BY RADIATION, INSTEAD OF THE 20 C.C. REQUIRED USING PRESENT METHODS.

MITOSHI AKIYAMA, 46, CHIEF OF RADIOBIOLOGY AT RERF, SAID THE RERF RESEARCH GROUP DISCOVERED THAT THE T-CELL RECEPTOR, WHICH PLAYS A CENTRAL ROLE IN ANTIGEN RECOGNITION AND CELL ACTIVATION, IS PRONE TO MUTATION IF EXPOSED TO RADIATION.

THE RESEARCHERS SUCCEEDED IN MEASURING THE FREQUENCY OF MUTANT T-LYMPHOCYTES DEFECTIVE IN T-CELL RECEPTORS USING THE TWO-COLOR FLOW CYTOMETRIC TECHNIQUE.

USING THIS METHOD, THE AKIYAMA GROUP CHECKED THE BLOOD OF 228 PEOPLE OVER A TWO-YEAR PERIOD FROM MAY 1988 TO THIS MONTH.

THE PEOPLE WHO UNDERTOOK THE BLOOD TEST INCLUDED 203 ATOMIC BOMB SURVIVORS FROM HIROSHIMA AND A SOVIET FIRE FIGHTER WHO WAS HEAVILY EXPOSED TO RADIATION DURING THE 1986 CHERNOBYL ACCIDENT.

THE EXPERIMENTS REVEALED THAT THE LYMPHOCYTES FROM THE SOVIET TEST SUBJECT

CONTAINED A LEVEL OF MUTANT FREQUENCY SIX TIMES HIGHER THAN THAT OF HIROSHIMA ATOMIC BOMB SURVIVORS WHO HAD BEEN WITHIN A RADIUS OF 2,000 METERS FROM THE HYPOCENTER.

AKIYAMA SAID THAT THE NEW METHOD IS EXPECTED TO PROVE VERY USEFUL WITHIN THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) PROGRAM THAT AIMS TO MEASURE THE RADIATION LEVELS OF LOCAL RESIDENTS AFFECTED BY THE CHERNOBYL ACCIDENT.

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#90360m0002 12/26/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 26) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

MARY INGRASSIA, customer dealer at BANK OF TOKYO in New York, says that since the U.S. currency broke and remained above 1.50 marks, participants in the currency market have been viewing 1.55 marks as the next objective. (WSJ, 12/26)

The SHEVARDNADZE resignation "tacked on a minimum of five pfennigs," or 0.05 mark, to the dollar's trading range, says JERRY EGAN, chief dealer at BANK OF BOSTON. The question now is whether that boost will serve as a catalyst for a larger dollar rally once the market returns to normal after the year-end holidays. (WSJ, 12/26)

Japanese interest rates are headed lower, says NICHOLAS REITENBACH, director of international investment at PINNACLE ASSOCIATES. "Interest rates in the long term sector have come down considerably from their peaks of a few months ago. It is just in the short term sector where rates are still up," says Reitenbach. "It's just a matter of time before short term rates also start coming down in Japan." (CNBC "World Business", 12/26)

KEVIN FLANAGAN, a money market economist at DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS INC., says bond prices weakened Monday as investors sold bonds to try to capture profits. "It's the end of the year, so people have closed out their books," say Mr. Flanagan. "They want to cash in and take a portion of the profits" generated during the market's recent 13-week rally. (WSJ, 12/26)

THE ECONOMY:

"We're looking for [a recession] to be short and shallow," says RONALD SOLBERG economist at SECURITY PACIFIC NATIONAL BANK. ("USA Today", 12/26)

The final retail tallies for the Christmas season are expected to be the worst in many years. KURT BARNARD, a retail trade newsletter publisher who surveyed

60 executives of chains and independent retailers, says, "For most people, it was a struggle just to stay even with last year. ... In many cases, retailers have fallen below last year by as much as 10% or 12%." KENNETH MACKE, chairman and chief executive officer of DAYTON HUDSON CORP., says, "It's been difficult to get business. Consumer confidence is as low as I've ever seen it." (WSJ, 12/26)

"I think that just as the real estate market led the economy down, it will lead it up," says BILL WOLMAN, chief economist at "BusinessWeek" and "CNBC." "We already have lower mortgage rates. ... They will fall some more. The real estate market will turn around. It might not be much of a turnaround, but there will be a turnaround. And I think the real estate market will be among the leading sectors on the way back up." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/24)

"Come the cold winds of January, the consumer will find the most extraordinary clearance sales since the end of World War II," says ALAN MILLSTEIN, editor of "Fashion Network Report." "There is no lack of merchandise in any store." ("USA Today", 12/26)

"There will be wide deflation this time, but the American economy is far more resilient than it was in the 1930s," says HARVARD economist JOHN KENNETH GALBRAITH. "And if things get bad enough, there is an inescapable obligation on the part of the government that did not exist before to step in and reverse the trend." (NYT, 12/25)

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#90360p6079 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSON, MI (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Consumers Power Company's employees pledged almost $1 million in contributions to their local United Way organizations during this past fall's annual fund-raising campaign, the utility announced today.

The company's employees throughout Michigan pledged $967,986 in 1991 donations to more than 52 local United Way organizations around the state. The Consumers Power Foundation will make a matching contribution at 30 percent of total employee giving.

"We're proud of our employees' willingness to support their local communities by giving to the United Way," said David V. Voigt, the utility's vice president of electric distribution and co-chairman of its Jackson general office United Way campaign. "Through payroll-deducted pledges collected automatically throughout the coming year, the various United Way member agencies will be able to continue providing the help that they give to people locally," added David P. Hoffman, Consumers Power's vice president of nuclear operations and Voigt's fellow co-chairman.

The utility's general office employees, including those in Adrian, Jackson district and Jonesville, pledged $374,099 in contributions.

Employees in Northwestern Region, which includes Grand Rapids, Greenville, Hastings, Muskegon, Zeeland, Allegan, Big Rapids, Cadillac, Traverse City, Boyne City, Cheboygan, Gaylord and Manistee, donated $204,164.

Workers at Consumers Power's energy supply plants and facilities, including the Campbell plant near Port Sheldon, Cobb plant at Muskegon, Karn-Weadock plant near Essexville, Whiting plant at Luna Pier, Ludington plant, Marysville facility, Midland Training Center, Palisades plant near South Haven, Big Rock Point plant near Charlevoix and hydroelectric dams and combustion turbines throughout the state pledged $157,875 in contributions.

The utility's Central Region employees in Saginaw, Caro, Gladwin, Prudenville, Rose City, Midland, Bay City, Standish, Bad Axe, Alma, Flint and Lapeer contributed $89,088 in United Way pledges.

Consumers Power Southern Region employees in Kalamazoo, Battle Creek, Bronson, Lansing, Eaton Rapids, Charlotte, Williamston and Owosso pledged $86,414 in United Way contributions.

The company's Metro Region employees in Royal Oak, Livonia, Pontiac and Mount Clemens contributed $57,346 in United Way pledges.

Consumers Power Company, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation (NYSE: CMS), is Michigan's largest utility serving almost 6 million of the state's 9 million residents in 67 of the 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

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#90360p6082 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Windmill Corporation announced today that the Federal Trade Commission had approved its pending acquisition of White Lily Foods Company from Archer-Daniels- Midland (NYSE: ADM) and that it expected the transaction to close in January. "White Lily's products and strong brand will fit extremely well with our other branded consumer baking products," according to Ian R. Wilson, chairman and chief executive of Windmill. "The White Lily acquisition represents another step in our long-term strategy of becoming the leading specialty miller of branded consumer products on a national scale."

White Lily Foods, based in Knoxville, Tenn., is a leading supplier of branded consumer flour, cornmeal and other consumer baking products in the southeastern United States. Windmill Corporation is a specialty miller of

branded consumer baking products which are sold nationally under a variety of labels. Windmill Corporation was formed in November, 1989 by Wilson and a group of equity investors and has annual sales in excess of $300 million.

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#90360p6083 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

JACKSONVILLE, FL (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - When customers of Winn-Dixie Stores, Inc. (NYSE: WIN) say "Even It Up" at checkout, they are actually requesting that the small change from their grocery purchases help to feed the hungry.

The cashier at checkout rounds off the customers' total food purchase to the next dollar, and diverts the change into The Salvation Army fund in the war against hunger.

The EVEN IT UP program was set up in January l989 by Winn-Dixie and The Salvation Army, and has grown to $262,014 which has been diverted into food certificates for needy families across the Sunbelt.

The food certificates are disbursed by The Salvation Army to households with the greatest needs, focusing on the children and the elderly. They are redeemable at all Winn-Dixie stores for nutritional perishables such as produce, dairy products, fresh and smoked meats which cannot be distributed from food banks equipped to handle only non-refrigerated foods.

Participating Winn-Dixie store locations throughout Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi and the Carolinas are identified by the EVEN IT UP sign at checkout.

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#90360p6086 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Furon Co. (NASDAQ: FCBN) announced today that it has agreed to sell its 45 percent interest in a Japanese joint venture, NTN-Rulon, to its joint venture partner, NTN Corp., for the sum of 2,263,140,000 (Japanese yen) which currently approximates $16,500,000 U.S. The transaction is scheduled to close in late January 1991.

Both the parties have also agreed to maintain a close relationship after the dissolution of the joint venture by continuing mutual sales of products and materials, as well as continued exchange of information on new products and new technologies developed by both companies.

"Furon and NTN Corp. are delighted with the proposed transaction," said

Furon's chairman, Peter Churm. "We will use the proceeds to pay down our debt which is one of our long term goals, while NTN will make NTN-Rulon a wholly owned subsidiary which meets their own objective of having complete control over the production and sales of the business."

Furon's long-term debt was at $153,000,000 in March of 1989 when the company purchased three companies from Bundy. Furon's net worth at the time was about $57,000,000. After the closing of this transaction, long-term debt will be about $62,000,000 compared to a net worth of over $97,000,000. Churm added , "We are way ahead of schedule on our debt reduction campaign, and we are very pleased with that."

Furon (formerly the Fluorocarbon Co.), headquartered in Laguna Niguel, is a producer of quality polymer products for the industrial market. The company serves a wide range of industries including petrochemical, aerospace, medical, transportation, pollution control and fluid power.

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HOLLYWOOD, FL (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Columbia Laboratories, Inc. (AMEX: COB) and Sterling Drug Inc. today jointly announced that they have signed a letter of intent, under which Sterling would become the exclusive marketer of Columbia's Replens(R) vaginal moisturizer in Australia, New Zealand and other Pacific Rim nations. This is the second letter of intent signed by Columbia and Sterling. Last month, Columbia signed a similar letter of intent with Sterling to manufacture and market Replens in Latin America and the Caribbean. Both letters of intent are subject to the parties entering into definitive contracts.

The letter of intent covering Australia, New Zealand and Pacific Rim nations contemplates a license agreement under which Columbia would receive a royalty on Sterling sales of Replens. Depending on future circumstances, further expansion of business arrangements between the two companies on Replens may be contemplated.

"This marks another milestone towards the worldwide marketing of Replens," said Norman M. Meier, Columbia president and chief executive officer. "We look forward to solidifying Columbia's relationship with Sterling Drug, a leader in the marketing of women's health care products in Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Rim."

Replens, currently on the market in England and Ireland as well as in the United States, is available to consumers without a prescription. It is the only non-hormonal product that successfully addresses the problem of vaginal

dryness with a sustained release moisturizer. Vaginal dryness is estimated to affect more than 70 million women in the United States and Europe.

Sterling Drug Inc. is leading marketer of ethical pharmaceuticals and consumer health products in Australia, New Zealand and other Pacific Rim nations. Sterling Drugs has a strong market position in female health care with Danazol a leading prescription product in the treatment of endometriosis, benign breast disease and menorrhagia. "Replens will further strengthen our presence our presence in the female health sector," said Raymond Hannigan, president of Sterling's Latin America, Canada and Asia Division.

Columbia Laboratories, Inc. is a U.S.-based international pharmaceutical company, established in 1987, dedicated primarily to developing and marketing women's health care products based on its patented bioadhesive drug delivery system. Replens, introduced to U.S. consumers during the first quarter 1990, is Columbia's first proprietary product based on this system.

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MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - GV Medical, Inc. (NASDAQ: GVMI) announced today that it has signed a distribution agreement for Japan with Itoman & Co., Ltd., a Japanese trading company with 1989 sales of U.S. $4 billion.

"We are delighted to be associated with a company of Itoman's strength in the Japanese market," James R. Grabek, president of GV Medical, said. "We believe their involvement will increase our presence in Japan and help us to move forward with Japanese regulatory approvals."

Grabek said Itoman's initial order, which will be shipped in the current quarter, is for two of the company's LASTAC laser angioplasty systems and associated disposable items. Additional orders are subject to receipt of Japanese regulatory approvals.

Itoman is a diversified trading company which has built a substantial presence in medical equipment in Japan. It has an extensive network of subsidiaries and affiliates in Japan and offices and branches in 22 other countries.

GV Medical, based in Minneapolis, produces the LASTAC(R) System, which uses direct laser energy to vaporize arterial plaque, creating a channel into which a balloon catheter can be inflated to complete the opening of the vessel. The system has been approved by the FDA for use in leg arteries, and has been under clinical evaluation in coronary arteries since March of 1988.

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#90360p6105 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Theodore P. Adams has been named president of Angeion Corporation's (NASDAQ: ANGN) new subsidiary, AngeMed, Inc., effective immediately. AngeMed, Inc. is a research-and-development company which is developing products for the automatic implantable defibrillator market.

The newly acquired AngeMed will continue efforts on developing a new concept in external temporary pacemakers, an external automatic bedside defibrillator and an automatic implantable defibrillator.

Adams was a founder and executive vice president for AudioScience, Inc. (formerly called AudioSpectrum), a Minneapolis start-up company which applies pacing-related technologies to the hearing device industry.

Adams has more than two decades of medical industry experience including senior management positions at Medtronic, St. Jude Medical and Cardiac Pacemakers. He holds five cardiovascular patents in his name with two patents pending.

"Ted Adams is recognized worldwide for his expertise in the cardiovascular field," said Wendell L. King, Angeion chairman and chief executive officer. "We're delighted to have him join our management team and head our new subsidiary, AngeMed. Under Ted's direction we look to have AngeMed's first product, an external temporary pacemaker in clinical trials within the next year."

Prior to AudioScience, Adams was vice president of research and development for Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc., an Eli Lilly subsidiary, from 1985 to 1989. He joined the company at a critical period and has been credited with the development and execution of a strategic plan which led to the turnaround of Cardiac Pacemakers after five consecutive years of declining sales. Adams' contributions included an organizational restructuring which increased effectiveness and efficiency in operations and resulted in increased sales per employee tripling.

From 1983 to 1985, Adams was vice president of research and development at St. Jude Medical, where he was responsible for successfully establishing the technical capability and manufacturing facility for producing pyrolytic carbon parts for use in heart valves; new product development in vascular graft and tissue valve technology; and business acquisitions.

Adams was director of product development for Medtronic from 1977 to 1983. He

managed several product design groups, including the development of the Spectax family of pacemakers, which became the industry's leading product for seven years.

From 1970 to 1977, Adams was engineering project leader at General Electric Company in their Medical Systems Division. Adams began his career in 1966 at General Motors Corporation as a project engineer.

Adams serves on the board of directors for Cherne Enterprises Inc. and AudioScience, Inc.

Adams earned a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from GMI Engineering and Management Institute. He holds a master of science in electrical engineering from the University of Minnesota.

Minneapolis-based Angeion Corporation is a manufacturer of cardiovascular products with current focus on the angioplasty accessory market. Angeion's subsidiary, AngeLase, Inc. is currently developing a catheter which would provide a nonsurgical cure for arrythmia.

Angeion is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol ANGN and on the Boston Stock Exchange under the symbol ANI.

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HOUSTON (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Tenneco Inc. (NYSE: TGT) announced today that Stephen B. Clarkson has been named vice president, secretary and general counsel for its Newport News Shipbuilding subsidiary in Newport News, Va., effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Clarkson, 53, replaces Carl E. Whitman, who retires July 1, 1991. Whitman will act as an advisor/consultant to Newport News Shipbuilding through the end of 1991.

Clarkson was previously employed at the Washington, D.C., office of Gardner, Carton & Douglas where he represented Newport News Shipbuilding as outside counsel on special projects for nearly 20 years.

Whitman joined the shipyard in 1983 after working at Tenneco's J I Case farm and construction equipment unit in Racine, Wis., where he was senior vice president, secretary and general counsel. Before joining Case in 1974, Whitman worked at Tenneco's Packaging Corporation of America. Whitman has worked for Tenneco for a total of almost 35 years.

Tenneco Inc. is a Houston-based, diversified industrial corporation with major business interests in natural gas pipelines, farm and construction equipment, automotive parts, shipbuilding, packaging, chemicals and minerals.

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DEARBORN, MI (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Magic Touch(tm), the on- line debit point-of-sale system from Magic Line, Inc. will now be available at all Farmer Jack and A&P stores in Michigan. The announcement was made by Magic Line President James L. Outland.

Magic Touch, a service of Magic Line, allows holders of bank cards that display the wiggly ML to use their cards to pay for purchases. With Magic Touch, the amount of a customer's purchase is automatically deducted from his or her bank account at the time of purchase. To date, more than 500 retail locations in Michigan, including gas stations, gift stores and consumer goods retailers offer Magic Touch.

"The addition of Farmer Jack and A&P stores represents a significant step forward for Magic Touch," said Outland. "Now we can offer the convenience of an on-line debit point-of-sale service to customers where they shop for food and packaged goods, where they buy their gifts and luxury items and where they put gasoline in their cars. To us, that's progress."

Michigan National Bank is the sponsor for the Magic Touch network at the 124 Farmer Jack and A&P stores in Michigan.

"The key word here is convenience," said Gilbert Borman, Farmer Jack/A&P director of public relations. "Today's consumers want a convenient alternative to carrying a lot of cash or having to stop at the bank every time they need to purchase bread and milk. Magic Touch is that alternative."

"The same bank card they use for making deposits or withdrawals at ATMs in the Magic Line network is used to access their account when making purchases."

Magic Line, headquartered in Dearborn, is the largest electronic funds transfer service in Michigan and is the only network in Michigan to offer on-line debit point-of-sale services.

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#90360p6113 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CLEVELAND (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - NACCO Industries, Inc. (NYSE: NC) announced

today that it anticipates a nonrecurring charge to net income in the fourth quarter of approximately $10.3 million, or $1.16 per share. The majority of the charge relates to restructuring and plant close-down charges in connection with recently acquired businesses. As a result of these charges, NACCO expects to report only a modest profit for the fourth quarter of 1990.

Approximately $7.6 million of the charges reflect restructuring at NACCO's 97 percent-owned subsidiary, Hyster-Yale Materials Handling, Inc. Hyster-Yale, one of the world's leading manufacturers of forklift trucks, acquired Hyster Company in mid-1989 and is also the parent of Yale Materials Handling Corporation. A portion of the charge relates to Hyster-Yale's previously announced closing of its plant in Brunswick, Georgia, and the relocation of certain manufacturing operations to the Greenville, North Carolina, facility. Hyster-Yale anticipates that the restructuring will result in lower fixed costs and enhanced economies of scale in design, manufacturing and purchasing. The restructuring program, which results from a comprehensive review of the Hyster and Yale operations, is consistent with the plan developed by NACCO prior to the merger, and will be implemented during 1991 and 1992.

The remaining charges are attributable to NACCO's 80 percent-owned subsidiary, Hamilton Beach/Proctor- Silex, Inc. These charges include approximately $1.7 million of nonrecurring charges, consisting of the write- off of deferred financing costs stemming from NACCO's acquisition of Proctor-Silex in 1988, a reserve for environmental clean-up at a sold facility and other nonrecurring charges. In addition, Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex will recognize a charge of approximately $1.0 million for restructuring of operations. Proctor-Silex was merged with Hamilton Beach in October 1990. The restructuring plan is consistent with the plans and strategies developed by NACCO prior to the merger. Hamilton Beach/Proctor Silex is a leading manufacturer of small electric appliances.

The restructurings in both companies are anticipated to result in cost savings through the consolidation of various operating activities. Significant savings are expected to be achieved contemporaneously with the expenditure of funds to accomplish the restructuring programs.

NACCO Industries is a holding company that, in addition to owning Hyster-Yale and Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex, owns The North American Coal Corporation, which mines and markets lignite coal for use primarily as fuel in power generation by electric utilities.

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PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - An extensive annual assessment by the

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has given Philadelphia Electric Co.'s (NYSE: PE) Limerick Generating Station top marks in five of seven areas evaluated, and has upgraded the plant's mark for emergency preparedness.

The emergency preparedness rating advanced from a 3 a year ago, the lowest passing mark, to a 2 and Improving.

In its assessment of emergency preparedness at Limerick, the NRC said: "PECo has committed substantial resources to improving Emergency Preparedness and responded to significant weaknesses in their program by initiating a long term improvement plan. Improvements were noted throughout this period and showed on-going management involvement and commitment to quality."

The evaluation, a Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP), covered 3,963 hours of NRC inspection at both Limerick units from Sept. 1, 1989, to Oct. 15, 1990.

The SALP found continued strong operating performance at the plant keyed by management involvement. PECo management, it said, continued to demonstrate a commitment to safe, quality operation at Limerick.

The report added that early in the assessment period the plant's operator requalification program was deemed to be unsatisfactory, but PECo took "prompt thorough and complete corrective action" that generated "significant improvements" by the end of the assessment period.

Limerick retained its rating of 1 in this category, Plant Operations. Dickinson M. Smith, PE senior vice president, nuclear, said the company was pleased with the plant's improving performance, particularly in the area of emergency preparedness.

"We obviously are pleased both with our five category one ratings and with our improved performance in the two other categories assessed," he said. "The staff at Limerick and the Nuclear Engineering and Support staff worked hard on improving performance in emergency preparedness and in engineering and technical support, and these ratings reflect their efforts."

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#90360p6128 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARSON, CALIF (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Nissan Motor Corp. in U.S.A. has announced a price increase of 3.5 percent (sales weighted) for its line of cars and trucks, effective January 1.

According to Robert J. Thomas, vice president, general manager, Nissan Division, the pricing increase is due to current and projected adverse

domestic and international economic factors.

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#90360p6129 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

CARSON, CALIF (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The Infiniti Division of Nissan Motor Corp. in U.S.A. has announced Q45 and G20 price increases of 1.5 percent (sales weighted) or an average of $435, effective January 1.

In addition, the standard dealer destination charge on all Infiniti cars will increase from $350 to $385.

According to William R. Bruce, Infiniti's vice president, general manager, the increase is a result of fluctuating international economic conditions.

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#90360p6148 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TROY, MI (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Troy-based United Satellite/America, Inc. (NASDAQ: SAMI) (US/A) announced that it has received a cable franchise to service the City of Key West, Fla. The Key West City Council passed an ordinance conditionally granting the franchise in a public hearing on Dec. 17. US/A, a publicly traded Delaware corporation which acquires, operates and syndicates cable television systems nationwide, becomes the second cable franchise operating in Key West and the first which will offer a state-of-the-art, 550 MHz cable system, with pay-per-view capability.

The franchise in Key West, the southernmost city in the contiguous 48 states, presents a number of unique opportunities, according to Gary Rasmussen, chairman of US/A. Rasmussen pointed out that the approximately 150 miles between Key West and the nearest broadcast television signal in Miami encourages a cable penetration in the city of approximately 90 percent, as compared to the industry average of slightly over 50 percent. Also, the population density of Key West offers the opportunity to construct the cable system less expensively than other cable systems of comparable size in terms of the number of homes passed (potential subscribers).

Rasmussen also announced that an agreement in principle to finance the construction of US/A's Key West franchise has been reached. The main backer in the financing of the estimated $3.2 million construction is noted treasure hunter and adventurer Mel Fisher. A south Florida native, Fisher is best known for his success in discovering treasure located in shipwrecks in the

Caribbean. Fisher's best-known discovery was of the Spanish galleon Atocha, which contained materials rumored to be valued in excess of $100 million. The agreement presently foresees Fisher retaining a 20-percent interest in the to-be-formed subsidiary of US/A which will build and operate the system.

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#90360p6150 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

MIAMI (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Southeast Bank announced today that it is negotiating an agreement with IBM to manage the bank's data processing operations. Under the agreement, IBM will equip Southeast with a fully integrated, state-of-the-art technological platform within a year with a significant reduction in the bank's data processing costs.

A fully implemented branch automation system in 1991 is a major part of the agreement. It will give Southeast's statewide customer service personnel immediate access to all customer and product information through IBM Personal System/2 computers.

"Our customers will see Southeast service levels improve even more significantly within the year," said Douglas E. Ebert, president and chief operating officer. "Nearly every bank transaction -- from loan applications and address and account changes to simplified direct methods of responding to customers' questions and problems -- will be able to be completed on the spot by our local bankers.

The two-pronged agreement -- full branch automation and outsourcing of the data processing functions -- is to be effective Jan. 1, 1991. Southeast expects that the definitive agreement will be executed by Jan. 31, 1991.

Southeast Banking Corporation (NYSE: STB) is the parent company of Southeast Bank, N.A. Southeast Bank, N.A. has total assets of $14.6 billion and total deposits of $11.7 billion as of Sept. 30, 1990. Southeast provides financial services from more than 230 locations throughout Florida.

CONTACT: Ida Roberts, 305-375-6397 (media), or Donae Ceja, 305-375-7981 (analysts), both of Southeast Bank

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#90360p6151 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Seven members of the Brae Group have reached agreement with British Gas PLC for the sale of over 700 billion cubic feet of Brae fields gas, Marathon Oil U.K. Ltd., Brae fields operator, has announced.

Natural gas from the fields, located offshore Scotland in the U.K. North Sea, will be delivered to British Gas at St. Fergus, Scotland, via the SAGE gas transportation system, which is 50 percent owned by the Brae Group. The main sources of gas for delivery under the contract will be from the South, North, Central and East Brae fields which are located about 155 miles northeast of Aberdeen.

The supply contract to British Gas requires the sale of over 130 million cubic feet per day over a 15-year period with first gas delivery in 1994. Discussions are continuing with several other potential purchasers for the remaining Brae field gas reserves.

Companies involved in the agreement with British Gas are: Marathon Oil U.K., Ltd., a subsidiary of USX Corp. (NYSE: X); Bow Valley Petroleum (U.K.) Limited; Kerr-McGee Oil (U.K.) PLC; Gas Council (Exploration) Ltd.; LL and E (U.K.) Inc.; Sovereign Oil and Gas PLC and Norsk Hydro Oil and Gas Limited.

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SALT LAKE CITY (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Dynatronics Laser Corp. (NASDAQ: DYNT) today announced the introduction of a new, full line of medical rehabilitation exercise equipment and software package called the Dynatron 5000. This new system is designed to automate and enhance the manner in which physical rehabilitation is performed.

The Dynatron 5000 incorporates the advantages of computer technology with proven methoods of rehabilitation resulting in the most versatile and easy-to-use rehab program available today.

In addition, a new, enhanced version of the Dynatron 2000 was introduced which improves upon many of its features and increases its simplicity and serviceability.

It had been anticipated that these new products would by ready for shipment in the second quarter of the fiscal year which ends Dec. 31. However, due to delays in the receipt of component parts along with extended laboratory and field testing, shipments of these new products will be delayed until the first of January.

Kelvyn H. Cullimore, president of Dynatronics, stated: "The delay in the shipment of the new Dynatron 5000 System and enhanced Dynatron 2000 and the costs associated with their development will result in a reduction in sales revenue and an increase in expenses for the quarter. In addition, the creation of a new sales division for the medical and industrial medicine makets has added to the selling and marketing expense. Because of this, the

second quarter of fiscal 1991 which ends Dec. 31, 1990 is projected to be a break-even quarter. However, going forward, the sales from these new products and from the new medical and industrial division, which will begin next quarter, will benefit both sales and earnings throughout the balance of the fiscal year."

Dynatronics designs, manufactures and markets advanced-technology medical devices.

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#90360p6153 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Unocal (NYSE: UCL) has discovered natural gas in a wildcat well on its Hanson Prospect in Kalkaska County, Michigan.

In a test, the No. 1-8 State Garfield well produced at a rate of about 9 million cubic feet of gas per day through an 18/64-inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 4,145 pounds per square inch. Unocal calculated an absolute open flow (AOF) rate of 91 million cubic feet per day from test data. Perforations were between depths of 10,890 and 10,950 feet in the Lower Prairie du Chien sandstone.

A drillstem test of a second interval in an Upper Prairie du Chien zone between depths of 9,843 and 9,903 feet produced gas at a maximum rate of 3.6 million cubic feet per day on a 1/2-inch choke with 560 pounds of flowing drill pipe pressure.

Production will begin when facilities have been installed and well-head connection permits have been issued by the Michigan Public Service Commission.

Unocal operates the well, in which it holds a 39.3 percent working interest. Shell Western Exploration and Production, Inc., a subsidiary of Shell Oil Company, holds the remaining 60.7 percent interest. Unocal holds a net 4,700 acres on the prospect.

In 1989, Unocal had found natural gas in a test of the Prairie du Chien formation in the Beaver Creek field, four miles east of the current discovery.

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#90360p6156 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HIGHLAND CITY, FL (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Robert H. Gagne, president of Caribbean Select, Inc. (NASDAQ: CSEL, CSELU, CSELW) announced the layoff of 75 employees or approximately 54 percent of its work force in a move to

strengthen its cash flow position.

Gagne expressed concern about the layoffs in the middle of the holiday season, but noted that market conditions gave the company no choice.

The company markets its products under the trade names Caribbean Select, Allsun, and Sunshine Groves.

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#90360p6157 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK, (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The tender offer to purchase 100,000 shares of common stock of Radix Ventures, Inc. (formerly Lewis Total Marketing Group, Inc.) at $4.50 per share net by John Radziwill, Pierre L. Schoenheimer and Matthew P. Sheppard, all directors of the corporation, terminated at 3:30 p.m. New York City time, on Dec. 24, 1990, in accordance with the terms of the offer to purchase dated Oct. 26, 1990, as amended. 95,357 shares were tendered and accepted in the tender offer. In accordance with the terms of the offer to purchase, the group has instructed the exchange agent, Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, to commence distribution of payment for tendered shares on or before Jan. 4, 1991.

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#90360p6161 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

LAPORTE, TX (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Under terms of an agreement between ENAF of Bolivia and Laurel Industries, Inc., the first shipment of Bolivian crude antimony oxide was delivered to Laurel Industries' antimony trioxide plant in LaPorte, Texas, on Nov. 30, 1990.

A joint technology transfer agreement was signed by Gonzalo Martinez, president of ENAF, and G. Carlos Tejada, vice president- operations for Laurel Industries in February, 1990. The agreement committed Laurel and ENAF to bringing production capability to a plant that had been idle since 1985. After completing a variety of equipment modifications, crude antimony oxide production began on Aug. 13, 1990.

This is the first time that Bolivia has entered into an agreement of this type with a U.S. corporation, according to Martinez. "Laurel's ability to process Bolivian raw materials gives us the opportunity to put what was an idle investment to productive use," Martinez said.

ENAF operates two of the world's largest tin smelters in Vinto, Oruro, 120 miles south of La Paz. The antimony plant is in the same metallurgical complex in Oruro.

The ENAF antimony smelter was built in 1975 by Skoda Export of Czechoslovakia and KHD of West Germany, and ceased operations in 1985, largely as a result of China's pricing of antimony metal and reduced requirements for antimony lead alloys.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Mines, Bolivia is one of the world's largest antimony producers. Recent statistics indicate that the majority of antimony raw materials exported from Bolivia is in the form of antimony concentrates and antimony ores.

In addition to Bolivia, China and South Africa are the other major source countries for antimony. Laurel is one of the largest consumers of Chinese and South African raw materials. Because of potential political and social unrest in the major producing countries, Laurel's strategy has been to balance raw material risk by having a significant position with quality producers in each source country.

Laurel Industries, Inc. is one of the world's largest producers of antimony trioxide. Laurel focuses on the high performance end of the flame retardant market, where antimony trioxide is used as a synergist in halogen based systems. Laurel has also become the leading supplier to polyester fiber producers where special grades of antimony trioxide are used as polymerization catalysts.

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#90360p6164 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Pennzoil Co. (NYSE: PZL) announced that its application for an extension of time had been granted by the Internal Revenue Service, thereby extending for five months until May 31, 1991, the period during which Pennzoil may invest proceeds from its 1988 Texaco litigation settlement in shares of common stock of Chevron Corp. Pennzoil has sought to qualify its Chevron investment as property "similar or related in service or use to" Pennzoil's contractural interest in Getty Oil Co., which was the subject of Pennzoil's litigation with Texaco.

During 1989, Pennzoil invested approximately $2.1 billion of net Texaco settlement proceeds to purchase 31,524,500 common shares (approximately nine percent) of Chevron Corp. In July 1990, Pennzoil filed a notification under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of its intent to increase its

ownership level to slightly under 10 percent by purchasing additional Chevron shares. Because of delays in obtaining clearance from the Federal Trade Commission for such purchases, Pennzoil sought the extension of time from the IRS.

On its 1988 federal income tax return, Pennzoil reported the amount of the Texaco litigation settlement as proceeds received for the involuntary conversion of property. Such proceeds would be excludable from Pennzoil's taxable income to the extent that Pennzoil acquires property similar or related to Pennzoil's interest in Getty Oil Co.

The IRS action extends from Dec. 31, 1990, until May 31, 1991, the period of time within which Chevron stock may be purchased. Pennzoil's tax position will be subject to review by the IRS in due course, and the granting of the extension does not otherwise affect any issue related to Pennzoil's tax position.

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#90360p6168 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) today announced collection of penalties totaling $26,000 from Baker Pacific Corp., Long Beach, Calif., for failure to notify EPA before beginning asbestos removal at six locations in southern California.

Baker Pacific Corp. is an asbestos abatement contractor. The company was cited by EPA for violations of federal notification requirements prior to work performed in the cities of Lancaster, Los Angeles, Oxnard, Torrance and Whittier.

Federal regulations require that EPA be notified of friable asbestos removal from commercial, institutional or industrial facilities, as well as some larger residential buildings. They also direct that the work be conducted under specified safety procedures.

Friable asbestos can be crumbled or reduced to powder by hand pressure. When inhaled, these fibers may cause life-threatening diseases, including lung cancer, mesothelioma and asbestosis.

The penalties were collected under terms of a consent decree between Baker Pacific and EPA, which was entered in U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California.

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#90360p6173 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

EATONTOWN, NJ (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Roberts Pharmaceutical Corporation (NASDAQ: RPCX) reported today that it has successfully negotiated and completed the repurchase of all its outstanding shares of redeemable Class A preferred stock for a total purchase price of $625,000. Under the terms of the original preferred stock agreement, the company would have been obligated to redeem the two million shares of Class A preferred stock during the years 1993 through 1997 for a total payment of $2 million.

In connection with the repurchase of the preferred stock, the holder of the preferred stock agreed to an amendment of a warrant to purchase Roberts common stock which changes the expiration date of the warrant from Jan. 30, 1993 to Jan. 30, 1992. The warrant is exercisable to purchase 115,840 shares of Roberts common stock at a price of $17.27 per share.

Commenting on the repurchase transaction, Robert A. Vukovich stated, "The redemption of the preferred stock at this time improves Roberts financial position and results in certain important long term benefits for the company."

Roberts Pharmaceutical Corporation, founded in 1983, is engaged in the business of acquiring, developing and marketing human pharmaceuticals in the United States and abroad for the treatment of cancer, respiratory disorders, cardiovascular diseases, endocrine and metabolic disorders, acute and chronic pain and urologic conditions. Roberts has a portfolio of pharmaceutical products in late stages of development which have significant therapeutic and commercial potential. In addition, the company has a range of products which it sells in the United States and abroad.

CONTACT: Anthony P. Maris, vice president and chief financial officer of Roberts Pharmaceutical, 908-389-1182

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CLEVELAND, (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Construction of the Ameritrust Center on the northwest corner of downtown Cleveland's Public Square has been delayed by Richard E. Jacobs and David H. Jacobs, the project developers and owners.

Revised projections call for completion of the complex in 1996, with construction to begin sometime in 1993. The new building, a 60-story office tower with a 484-room Hyatt Regency Hotel, had been expected to open in 1994.

"At a time like this, when there is a lot of uncertainty in the global economy a prudent developer is going to move carefully, and that's what we're doing," explained Martin J. Cleary, president of Jacobs, Visconsi & Jacobs Co. "We've approached Ameritrust, and they've agreed to give us some latitude on the completion date."

"We are very anxious to get into the new building, but we fully understand the Jacobs' position, and are willing to wait until 1996 to take occupancy," said Craig R. Smith, chairman and chief executive officer of Ameritrust Corporation.

"Given the current environment, we can appreciate the decision to delay," said Nicholas J. Pritzker, president of Hyatt Development Corporation. "We continue to look forward to our presence in Ameritrust Center and the downtown Cleveland market."

Cleary pointed out that the current pace of downtown development is quite healthy, citing the heavy volume of pre-leasing activity at the Jacobs brothers' 57-story Society Center, also on Public Square, as evidence of the local market's strength. Currently under construction, Society Center is already almost 60 percent leased. Major tenants are Society Corporation; Squire, Sanders & Dempsey; and Deloitte & Touche.

Upon completion, Ameritrust Center will provide more than one million square feet of office space, with Ameritrust Corporation as the major tenant. Almost 900 feet high, the skyscraper will be the tallest building in Ohio and one of the 25 tallest in the world.

Richard and David Jacobs are owners of Jacobs, Visconsi & Jacobs Co., a Cleveland-based national real estate development and management firm which owns and/or manages 42 enclosed shopping malls in 16 states, among other projects. In Cleveland, the Jacobs brothers own Society Center, The Galleria at Erieview, several downtown office buildings and the Cleveland Indians baseball team.

CONTACT: Richard E. Jacobs and David H. Jacobs of Jacobs, Visconsi & Jacobs Company, 216-871-4800, or Henry F. Eaton of Dix & Eaton Inc., 216-241-0405 for Jacobs, Visconsi & Jacobs Company

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CHARLESTON, W.VA (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Lewis N. McManus has been named an associate vice president of Charles Ryan Associates Inc., it was announced today.

McManus, a former speaker of the West Virginia House of Delegates and a former president of the University of Charleston, will provide public relations counsel to clients of the Ryan firm, the third largest in the Southeast and the 27th largest independent public relations firm in the United States.

"We are extremely proud to have an individual of the stature of Lew McManus join our firm. He is, without question, a unique expert on government and education as well as the social and economic aspects of West Virginia,"

Charles Ryan, president of Charles Ryan Associates, said.

McManus served as the 24th president of the University of Charleston in 1988-1989. Prior to that, he was special assistant to the president of West Virginia University from 1984-1988.

"I'm especially pleased to enter this new phase of my professional life. I have, essentially, been counseling those with whom I have worked during the last six years, and, prior to that, I had the good fortune to learn state government, education, real estate and a number of disciplines that will serve our clients well at Charles Ryan Associates," McManus said.

McManus will work in the counselor's role at Charles Ryan Associates and will not be a lobbyist for the firm or any interest. "Lew will, however, provide counseling to a wide variety of clients. His expertise runs across a wide spectrum of interests in West Virginia and the region," Ryan said.

He is a graduate magna cum laude of Morris Harvey College and has an honorary LLD from Beckley College, and an honorary doctorate in public administration from the University of Charleston.

Charles Ryan Associates is one of West Virginia's largest advertising and public relations firms. It was founded in 1974 and has offices in Huntington, W.Va., and two subsidiaries in Charleston, W.Va. It is affiliated with the Washington firm of Ryan-McGinn Inc.

CONTACT: Charles Ryan, president, Charles Ryan Associates, 304-342-0161

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FLINT, MI (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - This morning, Citizens Banking Corporation (NASDAQ-NMS: CBCF) received a copy of the notice from the board of governors of the Federal Reserve System that permits CenTra, Inc., Warren, Mich., to acquire up to 24.9 percent of the outstanding voting shares of Citizens Banking Corporation.

Charles R. Weeks, president and chief executive officer, stated, "This ruling permits a passive investment by CenTra and with the conditions assures that full control of the company and its business operations remains in the hands of the management and the board of directors of Citizens." In particular, CenTra has committed not to:

(1) exercise or attempt to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of Citizens or its bank subsidiaries;

(2) have or seek to have any employees or representative serve as an officer, agent or employee of Citizens or its bank subsidiaries;

(3) take any action causing Citizens or its bank subsidiaries to become a subsidiary of CenTra;

(4) acquire or retain shares that would cause the combined interest of CenTra and its officers, directors and affiliates to equal or exceed 25 percent of the outstanding voting shares of Citizens;

(5) propose a director or slate of directors in opposition to a nominee or slate of nominees proposed by the management or board of directors of Citizens;

(6) attempt to influence the dividend policies or practices of Citizens or its bank subsidiaries;

(7) solicit or participate in soliciting proxies with respect to any matter presented to the shareholders of Citizens;

(8) attempt to influence the loan and credit decisions or policies of Citizens and its bank subsidiaries, the pricing of services, any personnel decision, the location of any offices, branching, the hours of operation, or similar activities of Citizens and its bank subsidiaries;

(9) dispose or threaten to dispose of shares of Citizens in any manner as a condition of specific action or non-action by Citizens;

(10) enter into any other banking or non-banking transactions with Citizens, except that CenTra may establish and maintain deposit accounts with bank subsidiaries of Citizens, provided that the aggregate balances of all such accounts do not exceed $500,000 and that the accounts are maintained on substantially the same terms as those prevailing for comparable accounts of persons unaffiliated with Citizens; or

(11) seek or accept representation on the board of directors of Citizens.

This order clarifies the terms of CenTra's ownership and eliminates the usual concerns associated with significant ownership of a large block of stock outside the normal control group represented by a board of directors.

Last July, the board of directors approved a Shareholders Rights Plan as part of its overall corporate governance program which is designed to ensure that all shareholders receive fair and equal treatment in realizing the long-term value of their investment in Citizens Banking Corporation.

Citizens Banking Corporation is the eighth-largest bank holding company headquartered in Michigan. The corporation's stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System (symbol CBCF).

CONTACT: Nicholas J. Cilfone of Citizens Banking Corporation, 313-257-2514

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#90360p6190 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Diversification does not by itself guarantee success in high yield bond investing, according to a new study by Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc. This study notes that individual security selection greatly affects performance even when a portfolio is spread out among many issuers and industries.

The findings are reported in an article entitled "The Limits of Diversification" in Merrill Lynch's monthly publication, "Extra Credit -- The Journal of High Yield Bond Research." Co-authors of the article are Martin S. Fridson, managing director in charge of high yield research, and Michael A. Cherry, an analyst in the high yield new product area.

Fridson and Cherry note that, "Over the past year, company-specific credit factors have produced wide variances among the returns on the bonds within each industry. Surveying 18 industries in the 12 months ending Sept. 30, 1990 we find that a majority display ranges of over 4,000 basis points in total return between the best-performing and worst-performing issue."

Fridson adds, "During the past year many portfolio managers have had a disappointing experience despite following the well-established formula of diversifying their portfolios. Because of the pronounced intra-industry dispersion of returns, it is possible to meet strict diversification requirements yet substantially underperform the high yield sector." As a demonstration, the authors construct a portfolio of 40 better-than-average quality issues in 23 industries that underperformed an index of the high yield market by more than 50 percent during 1990s first half. This result is at variance with conventional wisdom about the ability to eliminate so-called unsystematic risk through diversification.

While not disputing the necessity of spreading risk across industries, Fridson and Cherry conclude that diversification may prove ineffective unless accompanied by detailed credit analysis of individual issues.

CONTACT: Martin S. Fridson, 212-449-1102, or Monica Prihoda, 212-449-7293, both of Merrill Lynch

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#90360p6191 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ST. PAUL, MN (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - ZEOS International, Ltd. (NASDAQ: ZEOS) today announced it has begun shipping its recently announced 80386SX-based notebook computer system.

The new notebook is the 80386SX version of the company's popular 80286-based

notebook which has been shipping since September. Weighing less than seven pounds, the new ZEOS notebook computer sells for $2,295. The price includes a hard disk drive, a built-in floppy disk drive, one megabyte of memory and a black-and-white VGA compatible display.

According to Greg Herrick, president of ZEOS International, "This new 80386SX-based notebook is a natural addition to our growing notebook product line. Our recently introduced ZEOS Notebook '286, based on the Intel's 80286 processor, has proven to be extremely popular and has been receiving rave reviews in industry publications. The new ZEOS Notebook '386 offers customers the opportunity to purchase the increased processing power afforded by the '386SX. Both ZEOS notebooks are priced well below the competition and feature-for-feature offer our customers outstanding values.

"Both the '286-based and '386SX-based ZEOS Notebooks offer a combination of features not commonly found in notebook systems now on the market including a hard disk drive, plus a built-in 1.44 megabyte floppy drive and VGA display. The addition of the floppy drive enables ZEOS notebook owners to easily load and transfer programs and files using industry standard 3.5-inch diskettes. In addition, the fluorescent backlit VGA display offers easy-to-read high resolution graphics capability while conserving battery life."

According to ZEOS, the new notebook includes a snap-in, snap-out battery which will "quick charge" in one hour and "trickle charge" while the system is being used. Under typical use, the battery will provide two or more hours of operation between charges, longer if programmable power-savings features are used. Other features include an 82-key keyboard with full 101-key emulation and industry standard I/O port connectors for the operation of external devices such as printers and color VGA monitors.

Optional items include a 2400 Baud MNP Class 5 modem, memory up to five megabytes, math co-processor, extra batteries, a battery charging station and a carrying case.

"The unique features combined with the $1,995 price for the '286-based product and the $2,295 price for the '386SX notebook offers ZEOS customers two of the very best values in the notebook product category," Herrick said.

The ZEOS notebooks are available directly from the company by calling the ZEOS 24-hour-a-day order line. The toll-free number is 800-423-5891. The company also provides purchasers of its notebook system with a 24-hour-a-day toll-free help line should they have any questions once they have received their system. In addition, purchasers receive a 30-day money-back guarantee and a one-full-year limited warranty.

Commentaries on the ZEOS Notebook system may be found in the Nov. 27, and Dec. 25, 1990 issues of PC Magazine, the November issue of Portable Office, the December issue of PC Sources, the Nov. 12 issue of InfoWorld and the Oct. 29

issue of PC Week. Other reviews of the ZEOS Notebook will be forthcoming in various trade publications.

ZEOS International, Ltd., manufactures and markets, direct to end users, ISA and EISA (Industry and Extended Industry Standard Architecture) personal computer systems and workstations based on the Intel 80286, 80386 and 80486 microprocessor world wide under the ZEOS name. The company also provides contract manufacturing services under the name NPC Electronics and distributes passive electronic components through its Parts1 distribution division.

For more information contact ZEOS International, Ltd., Sales Department, 800-423-5891 (toll free), or outside the U.S./Canada, 612-633-6131.

CONTACT: Rick Apple of ZEOS, 612-633-5877

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#90360p6193 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

WEST GREENWICH, RI (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - GTECH Corporation, the leading supplier worldwide of on-line computerized lottery networks, today announced that the company has been selected by the Missouri State Lottery to provide and operate that state's on-line lottery network. The value of the contract to GTECH was not reported. the selction of GTECH by the Missouri State Lottery increases the number of GTECH's domestic lottery customers to 18, nine of which are in the Midwest.

The initial term of the contract technically expires June 30, 1991 and the Lottery has five one-year extension options. On-line sales are expected to commence in July 1991, with a data center operating in Jefferson City. An initial complement of 1,500 retailer terminals are to be installed during July 1991. GTECH expects to employ 35 people in Missouri to operate the system in conjunction with the Missouri State Lottery. In announcing the contract, Guy B. Snowden, GTECH's co-chairman, president and CEO commented, "We are excited by the opportunity to provide and operate the on-line network for the Missouri State Lottery. GTECH will provide the same high level of service to Missouri that we provide to all of our customers."

GTECH Corporation designs, produces and implements computerized on-line networks, principally for government-sponsored or licensed lottery jurisdictions. Typically, GTECH operates, supplies and/or otherwise services these networks after installation. Currently, GTECH serves 43 on-line lottery and wagering customers worldwide on five continents.

GTECH Corporation employs approximately 600 people in Rhode Island and 2,000 worldwide.

CONTACT: Guy B. Snowden, co-chairman, president and CEO of GTECH, 401-392-1000

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#90360p6198 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
SANTA BARBARA, CALIF. (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Mentor Corp. (NASDAQ: MNTR) announced today that its board of directors has declared its regular quarterly cash dividend of four cents per share. The dividend is payable on Jan. 25, 1991, to shareholders as of Jan. 4, 1991.

CONTACT: Chris Conway, CEO, of Mentor Corp., 805-967-3451

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#90360p6205 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI, (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines today announced that it has been awarded a large contract by the federal government to be the official air carrier for U.S. government employee travel on official business in 1991, on more than 345 domestic and international city pair routes.

Eastern Trustee Martin R. Shugrue said that Eastern was "pleased that the government recognizes our fine record in providing safe, reliable transportation at a good value." The contract award, having an estimated value of between $82 and $100 million, represents a tremendous increase over the 220 city pair contract that Eastern received in 1990.

Shugrue added "this contract represents an important step for the new Eastern in its drive to regain market share and to demonstrate to the public that today's Eastern is this country's best airline."

CONTACT: Eastern Airlines corporate communications, 305-873-3773

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#90360p6207 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire
MIAMI, (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Eastern Airlines today said it will put weekend travel to and from 13 Florida cities on sale during January and February for $79 each way. Weekend travel to Denver, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Portland, San Francisco and Seattle is $149.

Eastern said the $79 weekend sale prices are good for southbound travel to Florida Jan. 2, 1991, through Feb. 13, and Jan 9. through Feb. 20 for northbound flights from Florida.

Fares from Florida to the west coast travel are offered Jan. 9, 1991 through Feb. 13; from the west coast to non-Florida markets Jan. 9 through Feb. 20; and from non-Florida markets to the west Jan. 2 through Feb. 13.

"To those who are ready for a break from the cold, we're offering long weekends in Florida at very affordable prices," said George Brennan, senior

vice president-marketing. "To those who already enjoy Florida year-round, we've got the same great prices for flights to the north and the west coast."

The airline said fares are based on a round trip, with a seven day advance purchase. Customers must depart Wednesday through Saturday, and return the following Sunday through Wednesday with a maximum stay of eight days. All Eastern tickets are fully refundable, with no penalty for change.

Eastern said the following destinations are included in the long weekend fare sale:

Akron/Canton, Albany, Allentown, Atlanta, Baltimore, Birmingham, Boston, Buffalo, Charleston, Charlotte, Chicago, Cleveland, Columbia, Columbus, Dallas/Fort Worth, Detroit, Greensboro, Greenville/Spartanburg, Harrisburg, Hartford, Houston (Hobby), Hunstville, Indianapolis, Islip-NY, Kansas City, Louisville, Milwaukee, Nashville, Newark, New Orleans, New York, Norfolk, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Providence, Raleigh/Durham, Richmond, St. Louis, Washington, D.C., Wilkes Barre/Scranton.

Eastern's 13 Florida cities are: Daytona Beach, Fort Lauderdale, Fort Myers, Gainesville, Jacksonville, Melbourne, Miami, Orlando, Pensacola, Sarasota, Tallahassee, Tampa and West Palm Beach.

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#90360p6209 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Intermet Corporation (NASDAQ: INMT) today announced that Carl I. Gable, its vice chairman and chief financial officer, has resigned effective Dec. 31, 1990, to pursue other interests. He will continue to serve as a consultant to the corporation.

The Intermet board of directors expressed its appreciation to Gable for his years of service and its sincere regret that he has decided to leave the company.

John D. Ernst, Intermet secretary-treasurer, will assume Gable's duties on an interim basis. Under its previously announced share repurchase plan, Intermet will acquire the 529,369 shares of Intermet common stock owned by Gable.

Atlanta-based Intermet Corporation and its subsidiaries, with foundries in six states and three foreign countries, manufacture precision iron parts for automotive and industrial customers in North America, Europe and Asia. Intermet is the world's leading independent manufacturer of iron castings.

CONTACT: John D. Ernst, secretary-treasurer of Intermet Corporation,

404-431-6000; or Janice J. Kuntz of Cameron Associates, 404-804-7970 for Intermet Corporation

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#90360p6230 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

TULSA, (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Tulsa-based ONEOK Inc. (NYSE: OKE) announced today that it has settled three more take-or-pay lawsuits out of court.

Two of the lawsuits were filed in the U.S. District Court in Pittsburg County for wells in that county. One of those was filed by Floyd Bergen and the other by W.P. Leblance, et al. The third lawsuit was filed by North American Royalties in the U.S. District Court in Carter County for wells and area contracts in Carter and Love Counties.

Terms of the settlements were not disclosed.

CONTACT: Weldon Watson, Charlene Bassett or Perry Wimpey, all of ONEOK Inc., 918-588-7000

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#90360p6237 12/26/1990 ~PR Newswire

IRVINE, CA. (DEC. 26) PR NEWSWIRE - Fashion retailer The Wet Seal Inc. (NASDAQ: WTSLA) announced that its plan to build 20 new stores during 1991 will continue as scheduled despite disappointing holiday sales, according to Ken Chilvers, president.

Chilvers said lackluster sales, particularly in Southern California, required the company to mark down merchandise earlier than originally planned in order to bring inventories to proper levels.

"We think that Wall Street's earning estimate of 80 cents per share may be overly optimistic by as much as 10 to 12 cents," said Chilvers. "We believe that our strong, debt-free financial position will be integral to our long-term growth and vitality."

Wet Seal's positive outlook for the long term allows the company to take advantage of the better deals being offered by landlords during the current real estate market. "Our stores are long-term investments, particularly with the 10- to 15-year leases we are looking for," said Chilvers.

The company's five Florida stores, which opened during 1990, have continued to exceed sales projections and have validated Wet Seal's plans to expand in that market, according to Chilvers. The majority of the new stores on Wet Seal's 1991 expansion schedule will be in Florida.

Wet Seal, which opened 20 new stores and remodeled three during 1990, is a

specialty retailer of moderately priced fashionable apparel for women. It was founded in 1962 as a one-location beachwear store on Balboa Island.

When Chilvers and Executive Vice President Kathy Bronstein took over the helm in 1984, the company had just 18 stores in Southern California. The two partners have engineered Wet Seal's growth and expansion, which currently includes 93 stores in regional malls throughout California, Arizona, Nevada, Hawaii and Florida.

In July 1990, Wet Seal completed an initial public stock offering that raised $43 million. It is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the "WTSLA" symbol.

CONTACT: Alan Weinstein or E. Lesly Martin of Wet Seal Inc., 714-583-9029

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#90360t0444 12/26/1990 ~ts

VLADIVOSTOK (DECEMBER 26) TASS - A POWERFUL CYCLONE HAS BEEN RAGING IN VLADIVOSTOK FOR 24 HOURS. THE WHIRLWIND DAMAGED POWER TRANSMISSION LINES, BLOCKED ROADS AND FORCED AUTHORITIES TO CLOSE SCHOOLS.

LORRY DRIVERS WERE STRANDED IN THEIR CABS ON SNOW-CHOKED MOTORWAYS. DOZENS OF ROAD INCIDENTS WERE REPORTED. MAKESHIFT RECEPTION CENTRES ARE BESEIGED WITH ANXIOUS PEOPLE.

SOLDIERS FROM THE VLADIVOSTOK GARRISON JOINED EFFORTS TO DEAL WITH THE EFFECTS OF THE CALAMITY. ALL EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE IN THE CITY WAS COMMITTED TO CLEARING ROADS. SPECIAL TEAMS WERE SET UP TO CONTROL THE CITY'S VITAL POINTS: THE HEATING PLANT, BAKERIES AND HOSPITALS.

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#90360t0445 12/26/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DECEMBER 26) TASS - "THE NEW LEBANESE GOVERNMENT HEADED BY OMAR KARAME, COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MOSLEM AND CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES, WILL CERTAINLY HELP THE COUNTRY TO END THE CIVIL WAR," SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN VITALY CHURKIN SAID HERE TODAY.

"THE SOVIET UNION SINCERELY WISHES THE NEW CABINET OF MINISTERS IN LEBANON SUCCESS IN IMPLEMENTING THE CHARTER OF NATIONAL ACCORD, ADOPTED IN TAIF. CONSISTENTLY TRANSLATING THE CHARTER INTO LIFE WILL GIVE THE LEBANESE PEOPLE AN OPPORTUNITY TO RESTORE PEACE AND UNITY IN THEIR COUNTRY, ENSURE ITS SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY."

"THE USSR CALLS UPON ALL LEBANESE PARTIES TO GIVE ENERGETIC ASSISTANCE TO THE GOVERNMENT'S EFFORTS AIMED TO ATTAIN THESE GOALS," CHURKIN SAID.

"FOR ITS PART, THE SOVIET UNION WILL CONTINUE VIGOROUSLY TO SUPPORT THE LEBANESE LEADERSHIP'S STEPS TO ACHIEVE AN INTERNAL SETTLEMENT IN LEBANON ON THE BASIS OF THE TAIF ACCORDS," CHURKIN NOTED.

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#90360t0447 12/26/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DECEMBER 26) TASS - FOUR HUNDRED SOVIET CITIZENS ARRIVED IN MOSCOW LAST NIGHT BY A CHARTER FLIGHT FROM BAGHDAD, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN VITALI CHURKIN TOLD A BRIEFING HERE TODAY.

A TOTAL OF 1,634 SOVIET CITIZENS HAVE LEFT IRAQ SINCE THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER REPORTED ON THE MATTER IN NEW YORK. SOME 1,700 SOVIET SPECIALISTS NOW REMAIN IN THAT COUNTRY. THE SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT UNDER A DRAFTED SCHEDULE, THEIR EVACUATION WOULD BE COMPLETED BY JANUARY 10.

AS FOR THE ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF SUSPENDED WORK AT PROJECTS BEING BUILT WITH SOVIET ASSISTANCE, CHURKIN SAID THAT THE TWO SIDES HAVE REACHED AGREEMENT.

HOWEVER, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE IRAQI SIDE'S INSISTENCE THAT THE SOVIET SIDE SHOULD CLEARLY SPECIFY ITS OBLIGATIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE SUSPENSION OF CONTRACTS, IT WAS FOUND EXPEDIENT TO HOLD TOP-LEVEL TALKS AND FORMALISE UNDERSTANDINGS IN AN APPROPRIATE WAY.

FOR THIS PURPOSE, SOVIET DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER IGOR BELOUSOV, HEADING A SPECIAL GROUP SET UP ON THE INSTRUCTION OF PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV, DEPARTED FOR BAGHDAD TODAY.

HE IS ACCOMPANIED BY VASILI KOLOTUSHA, HEAD OF THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA DEPARTMENT OF THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT BELOUSOV WILL MEET IRAQI FIRST DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER TAHA YASSIN RAMADAN, FOREIGN MINISTER TAREQ AZIZ AND DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER SAADOUN HAMMADI, THE SPOKESMAN NOTED.

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#90360t0449 12/26/1990 ~ts

AINI (DECEMBER 26) TASS - EIGHT PEOPLE FELL VICTIM TO A LANDSLIDE, WHICH HIT A HIGHWAY NEAR AINI, A SETTLEMENT IN NORTHERN TADZHIKISTAN.

A PASSENGER BUS WITH ROAD WORKERS WAS THROWN DOWN INTO A RAVINE FROM THE HEIGHT OF 200 METERS. TWO WORKERS SURVIVED AND WERE TAKEN TO HOSPITAL.

TADZHIK PRESIDENT KAKHAR MAKHKAMOV HAS SENT CONDOLENCES TO THE VICTIMS' FAMILIES. A REPUBLICAN COMMISSION HAS BEGUN AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE REASONS OF THE CATASTROPHE.

AVALANCHES AND LANDSLIDES, USUALLY CAUSED BY SHARP TEMPERATURE CHANGES, ARE REGULAR IN TADZHIKISTAN. THEY INFLICT CONSIDERABLE MATERIAL DAMAGE TO THE REPUBLIC EVERY YEAR AND RESULT IN LOSS OF LIFE.

USUALLY THE REPUBLICAN METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE WARNS PEOPLE ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF LANDSLIDES AND OTHER NATURAL PHENOMENA. BUT FAR FROM ALL RESIDENTS OF THE REPUBLIC TAKE ACCOUNT OF THESE WARNINGS, A SERVICE SPOKESMAN TOLD TASS.

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#90360t0453 12/26/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DECEMBER 26) TASS - THE ESTONIAN GOVERNMENT NOTED WITH SATISFACTION FOUR SOVIET PEACEMAKING ORGANIZATIONS' READINESS TO MEDIATE IN DIALOGUE TOWARDS PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE BALTIC CRISIS, SAYS A TELEGRAM SENT ON DECEMBER 25 BY ESTONIAN PREMIER EDGAR SAVISAAR TO THE SOVIET PEACE COMMITTEE, THE SOVIET PEACE FUND, THE RUSSIAN PEACE FUND AND THE SOVIET U.N. ASSOCIATION.

ON DECEMBER 24, THESE ORGANIZATIONS ISSUED AN APPEAL TO THE BALTIC PEOPLES, OFFERING "MEDIATION EFFORTS TO ALL THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A REAL CONTRIBUTION TO FOSTERING A DIALOGUE" BETWEEN THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT AND THE BALTIC REPUBLICS.

IN SAVISAAR'S VIEW, "THE SOVIET UNION'S LEADERSHIP SHUNS OPEN AND EQUITABLE TALKS AND THREATENS THE USE OF WEAPONS AGAINST THE BALTIC REPUBLICS" IN THE JOINT EFFORTS TO DEFINE THEIR LEGAL STATUS.

SAVISAAR CALLED UPON THE PEACEMAKING ORGANIZATIONS "TO USE ALL AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITIES TO PREVENT THE UNION AUTHORITIES FROM COMMITTTING THE FATAL MISTAKE OF USING FORCE AGAINST SOVEREIGN REPUBLICS".

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#90360t0459 12/26/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 26) TASS - THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF FRANCE AND INDONESIA, CO-CHAIRMEN OF THE PARIS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CAMBODIA, MET IN PARIS ON DECEMBER 21-22. IT WAS AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARDS CONVENING THE FINAL STAGE OF THE PARIS CONFERENCE ON CAMBODIAN SETTLEMENT, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN VITALY CHURKIN TOLD A BRIEFING HERE TODAY.

THE SOVIET UNION BELIEVES THAT THE ADOPTION BY CAMBODIA OF A SETTLEMENT PLAN HELPS FILL THE GAP IN THE RATE OF THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS ON THE INTERNATIONAL AND INTER-KHMER LEVELS AND SPEEDS PROGRESS TOWARD FINAL SETTLEMENT OF THE CAMBODIAN ISSUE, CHURKIN SAID.

THE SOVIET UNION FAVOURS CONVENING A PARIS CONFERENCE ON CAMBODIA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, CHURKIN SAID. "THIS FULLY CORRESPONDS WITH THE TASK TO STRENGTHEN

PEACE, SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION, PUT FORWARD IN OUR VLADIVOSTOK AND KRASNOYARSK INITIATIVES," HE SAID.

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KABUL (DEC. 26) TASS - AFGHAN ARMY UNITS ON TUESDAY ATTACKED REBEL UNITS NEAR THE TOWN OF QALAT IN ZABUL PROVINCE.

ACCORDING TO THE BAKHTAR NEWS AGENCY, GOVERNMENT FORCES DESTROYED FIVE TRUCKS WITH ARMS, THREE ROCKET LAUNCHERS, SEVERAL CASHES OF AMMUNITION AND EQUIPMENT AND TRANSPORT FACILITIES.

TWENTY-FIVE AFGHAN REFUGEES RETURNED TO FARAH PROVINCE FROM ABROAD. LOCAL AUTHORITIES GAVE THEM NECESSARY ASSISTANCE, BAKHTAR REPORTS.

THE AFGHAN FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS LODGED A PROTEST WITH THE U.N. SECRETARY-GENERAL'S REPRESENTATIVE IN AFGHANISTAN IN CONNECTION WITH VIOLATIONS OF THE GENEVA ACCORDS BY PAKISTAN.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 26) TASS - THE SOVIET CONGRESS OF PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES TODAY BEGAN DISCUSSING ROTATION IN THE COUNTRY'S PARLIAMENT. DEPUTIES ARE EXPECTED TO CREATE A PRECEDENT IN THE FORMATION AND ACTIVITIES OF SUPREME BODIES OF STATE POWER IN THE COUNTRY.

ACCORDING TO THE CONSTITUTION, UP TO 20 PERCENT OF MEMBERS OF THE TWO PARLIAMENT CHAMBERS SHOULD BE RENEWED EVERY YEAR. PARLIAMENT MEMBERS ARE ELECTED FROM AMONG USSR PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES, WHO IN TURN ARE ELECTED EVERY FIVE YEARS.

SOME 18 MONTHS AGO, THE FIRST CONGRESS OF USSR PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES ELECTED 542 PARLIAMENT MEMBERS. A TOTAL OF 108 PARLIAMENT MEMBERS ARE NOW DUE TO BE ROTATED. ACCORDING TO LEGISLATION, ROTATION SHOULD BE BASED ON A TERRITORIAL PRINCIPLE, AND NOT ON A GROUP OR FACTIONAL PRINCIPLE.

ADDRESSING THE CONGRESS WITH A REPORT ON ROTATION, COUNCIL OF THE UNION HEAD IVAN LAPTEV SAID 183 DEPUTIES, INCLUDING 98 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE UNION AND 85 IN THE COUNCIL OF NATIONALITIES, HAVE APPLIED TO LEAVE THE PARLIAMENT.

EIGHT MORE VACANCIES RESULTED FROM DEPUTIES' RESIGNATION OR DEATH. THIS MEANS ROTATION WILL BE CONSIDERABLY GREATER THAN THE CONSTITUTION DEMANDS, I.E. ALMOST 40 PERCENT INSTEAD OF 20 PER CENT, LAPTEV SAID.

AFTER SEVERAL HOURS OF DEBATES, 206 PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES WERE NOMINATED FOR 197 PLACES IN THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT, INCLUDING 105 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE UNION AND

92 IN THE COUNCIL OF NATIONALITIES. THE PLACES WERE FREED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ROTATION.

ELECTIONS OF PARLIAMENT MEMBERS AND SOVIET VICE-PRESIDENT WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY AT 9:00.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 26) TASS - A GIFT FROM THE JAPANESE RED CROSS -- MEDICINES AND DISPOSABLE BLOOD TRANSFUSION SYSTEMS -- WAS HANDED OVER TO THE MOSCOW PEDIATRICS INSTITUTE TODAY. THE GIFT WAS PRESENTED TO SOVIET DOCTORS BY TADATERU KONOE, DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICE OF THE ORGANISATION.

HE COMPLETED TALKS HERE ON JAPAN'S PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AID TO THE USSR.

THE CHARITY MISSION LAUNCHED AN EXTENSIVE PROGRAMME BY THE JAPANESE RED CROSS, PROVIDING FOR REGULAR SHIPMENTS OF MEDICINES AND FOODSTUFFS TO FAR EASTERN AREAS AND SAKHALIN FOR SIX MONTHS.

THESE PLANS ARE RECORDED IN A MEMORANDUM SIGNED HERE BY THE JAPANESE GUESTS AND THEIR COUNTERPARTS FROM THE SOVIET RED CROSS.

PARTICIPATION BY THE JAPANESE IN "ASSISTANCE TO CHERNOBYL", A MAJOR PROGRAMME BY THE SOVIET RED CROSS, WILL BE ANOTHER IMPORTANT AREA OF COOPERATION.

THE JAPANESE WILL ASSIST IN PROVIDING MEDICINES, MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND FOODSTUFFS TO RESIDENTS ON TERRITORIES CONTAMINATED WITH RADIATION OR WHO WERE OTHERWISE AFFECTED BY THE DISASTER.

UNDERSTANDING THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS PROGRAMME, THE JAPANESE GUESTS EXPRESSED INTENTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAMME FOR THREE YEARS.

THEY ALSO SAID THAT THEY ARE READY TO RECEIVE CHILDREN, WHO WERE AFFECTED BY THE CHERNOBYL DISASTER, FOR MEDICAL CHECKUPS AND TREATMENT.

JAPANESE MEDICS, WHO HAVE EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE TREATING RADIATION DISEASES, EXPRESSED READINESS TO SHARE IT WITH SOVIET DOCTORS. SOVIET DOCTORS PLAN TO GO TO JAPAN FOR THIS PURPOSE.

SOVIET RED CROSS PRESIDENT DMITRI VENEDIKTOV CALLED PLANS OF THE JAPANESE RED CROSS A GESTURE OF GENUINE HUMAN KINDNESS AND CHARITY. "WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE EFFICIENCY OF OUR LONG-STANDING COOPERATION," HE SAID.

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MOSCOW (DEC. 26) TASS - THE PLENARY MEETING OF THE FEDERATION OF RUSSIAN INDEPENDENT TRADE UNIONS (FRITU), WHICH WAS HELD IN MOSCOW TODAY, EXAMINED ITS PRIORITIES IN LIGHT OF A FORTHCOMING MARKET ECONOMY.

"RISKING TO BE ACCUSED OF POPULISM ANOTHER TIME, WE NEVERTHELESS DECLARE IT URGENT FOR RUSSIAN TRADE UNIONS TO INFLUENCE LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE BODIES AT ALL LEVELS TOWARD RELIABLE PROTECTION OF WORKING PEOPLE IN THE COMING MARKET ECONOMY," FRITU CHAIRMAN IGOR KLOCHKOV TOLD THE PLENARY MEETING.

HE FOCUSED ON THE DETERIORATING SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC SITUATION IN THE USSR AND IN RUSSIA, THE LARGEST REPUBLIC IN THE COUNTRY, WHICH IS FRAUGHT WITH MASS ACTIONS AND STRIKES BY WORKING PEOPLE.

"IT IS INDICATIVE THAT 53 PER CENT OF THOSE POLLED BY THE ALL-UNION PUBLIC POLL CENTRE IN NOVEMBER DO NOT KNOW THE PRINCIPLES, AIMS AND POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF REFORMS WHICH ARE SO HEATEDLY DEBATED BY OUR LEGISLATORS," KLOCHKOV NOTED.

"UNAWARE WHICH OF THE LATEST ECONOMIC PROGRAMMES WILL BE ADOPTED, PEOPLE ARE LOST IN GUESSWORK AND LOSE CONFIDENCE IN THE FUTURE."

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE PRESENT SITUATION, THE PLENUM TOOK A DECISION INSISTING ON AN OFFICIAL APPROVAL AND PUBLICATION OF LISTS OF GOODS TO BE INCLUDED IN A "CONSUMER BASKET" BY THE ZONES OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AND THE SIZE OF A MINIMUM CONSUMER BUDGET BY SOCIAL AND DEMOGRAPHIC GROUPS.

THE DECISION ALSO INSISTS THE POPULATION BE REGULARLY INFORMED OF CHANGES IN THE INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES AND ON THE SETTING OF A SUBSISTANCE WAGE IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION.

THE FRITU LEADERSHIP IS INSTRUCTED TO ORGANISE SEVERAL MEETINGS AND ROUNDTABLES OF UNION ACTIVISTS WITH GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES, LEGISLATORS AND WITH AUTHORS OF THE PROGRAMME TO STABILISE THE ECONOMY AND SWITCH TO MARKET RELATIONS IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE ROUNDTABLES WILL DISCUSS AND EXPLAIN THE PROGRAMME'S MAIN IDEAS, ABOVE ALL THE MECHANISM OF SOCIAL PROTECTION.

THE PLENUM INSISTS THAT THE FRITU COUNCIL AND THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT SHOULD CONCLUDE AN AGREEMENT FOR 1991 RECORDING MUTUAL OBLIGATIONS ON SETTLING SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS.

PLENUM PARTICIPANTS ARE DETERMINED TO PROTEST ATTEMPTS TO IMPOSE A MORATORIUM ON STRIKES IN ALL INDUSTRIES IN 1991. THEY DESCRIBED SUCH PROPOSALS VOICED AT THE CURRENT USSR CONGRESS OF PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES AS AN OFFENSIVE ON THE WORKING PEOPLE'S LEGITIMATE RIGHTS.

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#90360t0473 12/26/1990 ~ts
TOKYO (DEC. 26) TASS - JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER TARO NAKAYAMA DECIDED TO POSTPONE HIS OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION PLANNED FOR EARLY JANUARY.

A JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY THAT THE DECISION WAS MADE IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST BY THE SOVIET SIDE WHICH REFERRED TO "DOMESTIC CIRCUMSTANCES".

NAKAYAMA PLANNED TO DISCUSS WITH SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER EDUARD SHEVARDNADZE PREPARATIONS FOR THE FORTHCOMING VISIT BY PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV TO JAPAN SCHEDULED FOR THE NEXT SPRING.

THE NEW DATE FOR THE SOVIET OFFICIAL VISIT BY THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER WILL BE AGREED THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS. THE JAPANESE SIDE PLANS TO REACH AN APPROPRIATE UNDERSTANDING BEFORE A REGULAR SESSION OF THE COUNTRY'S PARLIAMENT OPENS LATE IN JANUARY, THE KYODO TSUSHIN NEWS AGENCY REPORTS.

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#90360t0477 12/26/1990 ~ts
MADRID (DECEMBER 26) TASS - UNESCO DIRECTOR-GENERAL FEDERICO MAYOR EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT A PEACEFUL SOLUTION WOULD BE FOUND FOR THE GULF CONFLICT IN COMPLIANCE WITH U.N. RESOLUTIONS AND THERE WOULD BE NO NEED TO USE FORCE. "IT IS A LIE THAT WAR IS INEVITABLE," HE STRESSED.

IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE SPANISH "INTERVIEW" WEEKLY PUBLISHED TODAY, MAYOR NOTED THAT A SETTLEMENT OF THE GULF CRISIS WOULD BE FOLLOWED BY A SEARCH FOR WAYS OF DEMILITARISING THE REGION AND SETTLING OTHER ISSUES: THE LEBANESE PROBLEM AND THE OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES ISSUE.

THE REMOVAL OF THE SEAT OF TENSION IN THE MIDDLE EAST WILL ENABLE WORLD NATIONS TO TURN TO GIVING AID TO THE DEVELOPING NATIONS WHICH ARE IN A DISASTROUS STATE. MAYOR FAVORED "RESOLUTE MEASURES" AIMED AT CURBING INTERNATIONAL ARMS TRADE AND NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING.

HE PRAISED POSITIVE CHANGES IN THE WORLD IN THE OUTGOING YEAR 1990. AFTER REMOVING THE NUCLEAR THREAT, WE MUST RESOLVE THE ECOLOGICAL THREAT AND THE THREAT OF INTOLERENCE AND VIOLENCE, HE EMPHASISED.

THIS IS A SERIOUS PROBLEM IN THE WORLD WHERE WE MUST ENSURE AN INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL DIALOGUE AND A PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE OF NATIONS, MAYOR NOTED.

MAYOR REJECTED ALLEGATIONS ABOUT A THREAT OF IMMIGRANTS SWARMING INTO WESTERN EUROPE FROM EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. "WE SHOULD NOT FEAR THAT WE ARE THREATENED WITH THEIR INVASION, SINCE EACH COUNTRY HAS ITS OWN MECHANISMS AND LAWS REGULATING THE ENTRY OF FOREIGNERS," HE SAID.

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#90360t0483 12/26/1990 ~ts
WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) TASS - THE UNITED STATES TODAY DENOUNCED REPORTS ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF A MEETING BETWEEN U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES BAKER AND IRAQI PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN ON JANUARY 9.

THE DATE WAS MENTIONED BY THE ISRAELI MA'ARIV NEWSPAPER, WHICH QUOTED ISRAELI DIPLOMATS.

A STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN TOLD TASS THAT AN AGREEMENT WITH THE IRAQI SIDE ON THE DATE FOR TALKS ON A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE GULF CRISIS HAS NOT BEEN AGREED UPON.

THE U.S. EMBASSY IN BAGHDAD CONTACTS THE IRAQI FOREIGN MINISTRY EVERY DAY, BUT THE SIDES FAILED TO REACH PROGRESS ON THE DATE FOR SUCH A MEETING, HE SAID. THE SPOKESMAN REFUSED TO GO INTO DETAILS OF THE ISSUE.

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#90360u0002 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 26) UPI - U-S military leaders in Saudi Arabia say they think they will have to force Iraq's troops out of Kuwait. Lieutenant Colonel Tom Coury says if Saddam Hussein feels he is cornered, he probably will attack Israel in an effort to win over Arab countries who have joined the 28-nation coalition against him.

South Korea has a new cabinet... including a new prime minister. President Roh Tae-woo appointed 11 new cabinet members including the prime minister. He's a former college professor who has been the presidential chief of staff the past year.

The South Korean president also appointed the former president of the Seoul Olympic Organizing Committee mayor of Seoul.

A federal judge tonight ordered American Airlines pilots who called in sick to return to work. American accuses the pilots of staging a ''sickout'' because of their negotiations over a new contract. 11 percent of the pilots were out today.

California is going to get seven more seats in the House of Representatives while New York is going to lose three. Those are some results of a census report that shows the largest population increases in the West and South.

The Yugoslavian republic of Slovenia declared itself an ''automonous state'' today. The declaration follows a weekend independence plebicite. 88 percent of the Slovenian voters cast ballots for independence.

Temperatures are still frigid across the northern states. And California had more record-breaking lows today. Snow fell from New England over much of the Midwest again today.

''Godfather Three'' blew away most of its cinematic rivals Christmas Day. The third installation of ''The Godfather'' set a one-day box- office record and also posted the third-highest gross of any movie during the five-day holiday weekend.

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#90360u0010 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 26) UPI - COLLEGE BOWL RESULTS:

Dec. 8
Raisin Bowl
At Fresno, Calif.

San Jose State 48, Central Michigan 24

Dec. 15
Independence Bowl
At Shreveport, La.

Louisiana Tech 34, Maryland 34

Dec. 25
Aloha Bowl
At Honolulu

Syracuse 28, Arizona 0

Dec. 27
Liberty Bowl
At Memphis, Tenn.

Air Force vs. Ohio State, 8 p.m.

Dec. 28
All-American Bowl
At Birmingham, Ala.

Southern Mississippi vs. N.C. State, 7:30 p. m.

Dec. 28
Blockbuster Bowl
At Miami

Florida State vs. Penn State, 8 p.m.

Dec. 29
Peach Bowl
At Atlanta

Indiana vs. Auburn, 12:30 p.m.

Dec. 29
Freedom Bowl
At Anaheim, Calif.

Colorado State vs. Oregon, 8 p.m.

Dec. 29
Holiday Bowl
At San Diego

Brigham Young vs. Texas A&M, 8 p.m.

Dec. 31
Hancock Bowl
At El Paso, Texas

Michigan State vs. Southern Cal, 2:30 p.m.

Dec. 31
Copper Bowl
At Tucson, Ariz.

California vs. Wyoming, 5 p.m.

Jan. 1
Gator Bowl
At Jacksonville, Fla.

Mississippi vs. Michigan, 11:30 a.m.

Jan. 1
Hall of Fame Bowl
At Tampa, Fla.

Clemson vs. Illinois, 1 p.m.
Jan. 1
Citrus Bowl
At Orlando, Fla.

Georgia Tech vs. Nebraska, 1:30 p.m.

Jan. 1
Cotton Bowl
At Dallas

Texas vs. Miami, 1:30 p.m.

Jan. 1
Fiesta Bowl
At Tempe, Ariz.

Alabama vs. Louisville, 4:30 p.m.

Jan. 1
Rose Bowl
At Pasadena, Calif.

Iowa vs. Washington, 5 p.m.

Jan. 1
Orange Bowl
At Miami

Colorado vs. Notre Dame, 8 p.m.

Jan. 1
Sugar Bowl
At New Orleans

Tennessee vs. Virginia, 8:30 p.m.

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#90360u0043 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 26) UPI - Thermometers reached 50 in only four states Christmas Day... California, Texas, Arizona and Florida. Elsewhere, the weather was typical for Christmastime. Most northern states had snow on the ground.. . and most were bitterly cold.

Oranges and lemons are almost sure to start costing more. California's record-shattering cold wave heavily damaged the citrus crop. Some growers say up to 100 percent of their crops were damaged... particularly oranges, lemons and tangerines.

Arizona's citrus crop may have escaped this week's cold snap with very little damage. Agricultural experts also say vegetable crops such as lettuce, broccoli and cauliflower escaped serious damage.

A cold spell in Florida last Christmas devastated its citrus crop. But the story is different this year. Florida is about the warmest state in the nation.

A 70-year-old Wisconsin farmer froze to death in the half-mile lane between his mailbox and his home. Officials say the man apparently fell Thursday after picking up his mail, and could NOT get up. A meal on wheels volunteer found his body yesterday.

Floods, snowstorms and a bridge collapse are taking their toll on Seattle's reputation. Three magazines have removed Seattle from the top of their lists as the nation's most liveable city. The magazines are Voyager... Mom and Pop... and Big Bucks.

A man arrested while driving his car naked in North Plainfield, New Jersey, faces charges of eluding police and resisting arrest. Police say the man led them on a chase through two towns and caused two accidents on the way.

A laid-off truck driver in California won four Million 300-thousand dollars in California's lottery. Last year, he won 215-thousand dollars. John Benton of Torrance says he's numb. He adds- ''It's hard to believe. ''

The U-S-S Constitution... the Navy's oldest commissioned warship... may sail once again. Navy officials are discussing plans to fit the 192- year-old battleship with new canvas and sail it on its 200th birthday in 1998.

Environmentalists are advising... save all that used holiday gift paper. Most wrapping can't be re-used next year. But it can be used to pack away ornaments... make book covers... even make thank you notes.

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#90360u0085 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 26) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein made an appeal to what he termed ''people of conscience'' on Christmas Day. Saddam called for a peaceful dialogue to resolve the Persian Gulf crisis. In a message to a peace conference, Saddam blamed the crisis on American and Israeli aggression. .. and did NOT even mention Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. NOR did he say he is willing to negotiate before the January 15th deadline the United Nations gave him for withdrawing from Kuwait.

American Airlines reports some of its pilots called in sick during the busy Christmas holiday period as a protest. American officials say the pilot's union is trying to force the company to accept its terms in contract talks. The pilots' union denies any organized sickout. American and the union have been negotiating on a new contract for 14 months.

Miami's Department of Internal Audits and Reviews has cleared Police Chief

Perry Anderson of allegations he discriminates against Hispanic officers. Anderson also faces a federal investigation. The president of the Miami Police Hispanic Officers Association, Martin Garcia, says he is disappointed with the local investigation but is more concerned about the results of the federal probe.

A member of the San Diego City Council wants an investigation into allegations of police misconduct in the probe into the unsolved murders of 44 prostitutes and transients. There are allegations that San Diego police officials associated with prostitutes and that an unofficial code of silence has obstructed the efforts of a special task force to uncover the truth.

Seattle police are getting a reputation for being Scrooges. Santa got tagged with a 150-dollar ticket for illegally parking in front of an apartment building to deliver toys, clothes and food to needy families. One official says... ''Just because it's Santa Claus doesn't mean he can park anywhere.''

The tax collector in Boonton, New Jersey, says his faith in Santa has been restored. Robert Kapral found a mound of presents for a boy whose illness is jeopardizing his family's finances. The presents were beneath the town Christmas tree inside the locked municipal building. Someone else gave the family a turkey.

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#90360u0098 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (DEC. 26) UPI - The Tokyo stock market hitched its wagon to the bond market Wednesday to stage a mild recovery in light trading.

The key 225-share Nikkei average reversed course from a 352-point loss Tuesday and gained 119.68 points to end at 23,887.56.

The Tokyo Stock Price Index of all major shares, which plummeted 39. 65 points Tuesday, inched ahead by 4.64 points. TOPIX closed at 1,729. 81.

Trading remained extremely thin, with an estimated 220 million shares barely exceeding Tueday's 210 million.

The market finished the morning slightly down but was spurred on in the afternoon by a rally in the bond market, where yields fell by about 7 basis points, brokers said.

Bond buyers were making up for overselling the market after Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze's resignation announcement Thursday, they said.

New investment trusts led the way in the stock market with selective buying. But their purchases prompted margin selling of almost equal force. ''It was rather quiet, choppy trading,'' said a broker with Nomura Securities, who

spoke on condition of anonymity. ''There were 20 to 22 new investments trusts buying out there, but it was not very aggressive buying.''

Some index-linked arbitrage buying gave the Nikkei a lift, brokers said.

Institutional investors went after bank shares, despite the banks' continuing woes, on the belief that portfolios are now underweighted in the banking sector, the Nomura broker said.

Fuji Bank jumped 50 yen to end at 2,350, while Sumitomo Bank moved up 20 yen to close at 1,980.

Construction shares and some retailers such as Marui eased.

Honshu Paper, for months the target of speculators, lost 10 percent of its value as Toshiyuki Inamura, a prominent politician, resigned from the ruling Liberal Democratic Party after being implicated in a stock speculation and tax evasion scandal.

Overall, the market was virtually deadlocked, with rising and falling stocks almost evenly matched.

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#90360u0099 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 26) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein blamed the confrontation in the Gulf on United States and Israeli aggression, calling for negotiations but ignoring the latest demand by his Arab neighbors to leave Kuwait.

Leaders of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council issued a joint communique at the conclusion of a summit in Qatar Tuesday calling for the Iraqi withdrawal, as well as a solution to the Palestinian problem, which they said remained the Arab world's number one concern.

They said Oman wanted to keep the door open for future contacts with Iraq while the remaining states, particularly Saudi Arabia, rejected any dialogue with Baghdad until Iraqi troops were withdrawn from the oil- rich emriate.

''But the six member states are trying to minimize the size of the differences through insisting on the necessity of the complete implementation of the Arab and international resolutions calling for the Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait and restoration of its legitimate government,'' one source close to the negotiations said.

Israel, meanwhile, played down reports the country's military was on a state of high alert Tuesday, following statements by Saddam that the Israeli city of

Tel Aviv would be his first target if war were to eruprt in the region.

Many of the hundreds of thousands of multinational troops deployed in the gulf celebrated the Christian holiday in the Moslem region, but the festivities were overshadowed by increasing indications there will be a military confrontation if Iraq does not pull out of Kuwait by the Jan. 15 deadline, only 20 days away.

In his message, distributed by the official Iraqi news agency, Saddam said he ''hoped all people of conscience in the world will remember that injustice leads to war and that peace is made through equitable dialogue aimed at acheiving justice.''

Iraq and the United States had planned to hold high-level talks before Jan. 15 but, with time running out, the two countries have not been able to agree on dates.

Saddam's message, to an unidentified international conference on peace, blamed the conflict on American and Jewish aggression and made no mention of his occupation of the emirate. He has said in recent interviews that he will not withdraw by the crucial date.

Troops from around the world celebrated Christmas with parties and thoughts of home.

The expression of religions other than Islam in Saudi Arabia is forbidden, but the country has been tolerant of such holiday manifestations as Christmas trees and Santa Clauses for the foreign troops.

The bulk of the U.S.-led force, which includes close to 300,000 U.S. troops along with Arab and European soldiers, has been deployed to the desert kingdom.

Pope John Paul II, in his annual address at the Vatican, made an emotional plea for the ''tormented nations of the Middle East'' and prayed for a peaceful solution to the crisis.

Iraq has stepped up civil defense programs in preparation for a possible war, saying it would open civilian training centers.

''It has been decided to open more training centers on rescue, first aid and evacuation and to hold a symposium on the importance of civil defense exercises,'' INA said.

The Gulf Cooperation Council's final communique - issued by Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Oman, Bahrain, the United Arab Emriates and Kuwait - also called for a solution to the Palestinian problem, saying that despite the occupation it remained the foremost of Arab concerns.

The gulf countries have rejected Saddam's claim his occupation of Kuwait is linked to the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza strip. But the communique seemed to make clear the Arab states are not ready to neglect the Palestinian cause in the wake of the gulf crisis.

The GCC communique also touched briefly on the creation of a permanent security network to protect the oil-rich region in the future.

Sources close to the talks said non-Arab Iran may be involved in the network, although the communique mentioned no details of the plan.

Israeli military officials played down reports in the Israeli press Tuesday that its army and airforce were on a high state of alert.

Saddam reiterated in a weekend interview with Spanish television that he would strike at Israel if a war to erupt over Kuwait, even if Israel is not part of the multinational force allied against him.

''The Israeli air force all year round is on a certain state of alert for potential enemies,'' an official military source in Jerusalem said. ''Since the beginning of the crisis, it has heightened its state of alert.''

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#90360u0111 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 26) UPI - In eastern Saudi Arabia yesteday, American troops celebrated Christmas with quiet merriment, singing carols, feasting on turkey, lining up for the all-important phone calls home- and keeping their guns loaded.

Former Romanian King Michael secretly returned to his native land last night, one year after the execution of communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu. It was the former monarch's first visit since he fled Romania in 1945.

On New Year's Day, Americans will face tax increases on beer, wine and distilled spirits. The excise tax will double from 16 cents to 32 cents on a six-pack of beer, soar to 21 cents for a bottle of table wine now taxed at three cents, and increase from two-dollars, to two-16 on a fifth of 80-proof liquor.

Researchers in New York say programs aimed at preventing teen-age suicides may be ineffective, or may even make the problem worse. A study found that suicide-prevention programs in schools appeared often to produce negative reactions.

Christmas Day temperatures remained below freezing from the northern mountains of the West to the northern half of the Atlantic Coast. The only places where the mercury reached 50 degrees were in California, Texas, Arizona and Florida.

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#90360u0114 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 26) UPI - African National Congress President Oliver Tambo, recently returned to South Africa from exile, arrived in the nominally independent tribal territory of Transkei Wednesday to visit his birthplace for the first time in more than 30 years.

''He was naturally very excited to be leaving (Johannesburg), especially to see his home village again,'' ANC Deputy President Nelson Mandela said. An official in the office of Transkei military ruler Maj. Gen. Bantu Holomisa said Tambo had flown in before midday.

The ailing Tambo, who returned to South Africa Dec. 13 after fleeing in 1960 ahead of certain arrest for anti-apartheid activities, would visit the place of his birth, the tiny rural town of Bizana, on Thursday, Mandela said in a telephone interview.

Tambo, 73, ''still has plenty of family there ... it will be a big moment for them all, they last saw him just before he went abroad,'' said Mandela, himself originally from Transkei and born to be a chieftain of the roughly 3 million Xhosa people who live in the three- part territory on the east coast.

Mandela, 72, said he would join Tambo in Transkei Thursday and they would jointly address a rally in the capital of Umtata Sunday.

''We will talk about progress made by the ANC,'' Mandela said. Tambo returned from exile to attend the movement's first national conference in the country - held over three days to Dec. 16 - since the ANC was legalized after 30 years in February at the launch of President Frederik de Klerk's racial reforms.

But he is frail and partially paralyzed from a stroke suffered in August last year and ANC sources have said he has has been deferring on matters of policy to Mandela, who has run the ANC locally since being released from prison after more than 27 years on Feb. 11.

The ANC has said the dismantling of the four nominally independent tribal areas, home to more than 10 million of South Africa's 25 million blacks, should be part of de Klerk's plan to end the white minority rule imposed in 1948.

Transkei was in 1976 the first of the four territories to gain ''independence'' from Pretoria, but their status was designed as part of an apartheid strategy to segregate tribes as well as races and is not recognized outside South Africa.

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#90360u0117 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 26) UPI - The bitter cold that gripped the nation through Christmas began to ease in some regions Wednesday as clear skies gave way to clouds in the South and Northwest, while residents of the Midwest and Plains still felt the chill.

Rain fell on Washington and Oregon as Portland went above the freezing mark for the first time in a week, but snow fell on the Cascade and Olympic mountains in Washington and another cold blast was on the way for the region.

Residents of the northern Plains and Midwest woke up to another bitterly cold day, with record lows in Minnesota and North Dakota, snow reported in Michigan and wind chills as low as 30 below zero across the region.

It took just 15 minutes Wednesday for International Falls, Minn., to tie a record of minus 29 degrees, while in Duluth, a minus 22 degree reading broke a record and the minus 31 degree reading in Williston, N. D., broke a 54-year-old record by 1 degree.

Wind moving at 10 to 15 mph pushed wind chills to minus 30 degrees in Michigan where up to 4 inches of blowing snow fell across the state.

Authorities in Chicago and New York City responded to the cold weather by searching for homeless people spending the night on the street and bringing them inside to city shelters.

Ironically, Kodiak Island, off the southern coast of Alaska, recorded the warmest Christmas on record when temperatures soared to 47 degrees.

Along the East coast, cold weather continued while strong southwesterly winds brought clouds to the South as temperatures rose into the 40s.

Clear, cold weather stretched from the Middle Atlantic states into New England with temperatures in the 30s along the coast and in the teens inland, where snow flurries were reported.

Florida, stung by a severe Christmas freeze last year, boasted the balmiest temperatures Tuesday - 83 degrees in Naples and 75 degrees in Miami.

''We're nowhere close to record temperatures, but this is the only place in the continental United States where it's this warm,'' said forecaster Noel Risnychok of the National Weather Service.

The freeze danger was over in Southern California but temperatures remained cool, with lows in Los Angeles in the upper 30s under mostly clear skies and light winds.

The state was recovering from a freeze that may have damaged up to 50 percent

of the state's citrus crop, according to preliminarly estimates by Sunkist Growers, Inc.

In northern California's Tulare County, where the bulk of the state's navel oranges are grown, officials estimated a $200 million loss.

About 20 percent of California's avocado crop also was lost, along with frost damage to artichokes, cauliflower, lettus, broccoli and collard greens.

The cold burst water pipes in numerous homes and businesses in California, including a Pacific Bell computer switching system in Point Reyes that left 1,500 customers without service.

Widespread fog along with light rain stretched along the Texas coast and visibility in Beeville was down to half a mile, while to the west, San Angelo, Texas had lows in the upper 20s and light winds.

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#90360u0132 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

VATICAN CITY (DEC. 26) UPI - Pope John Paul II greeted holiday pilgrims Wednesday from his Vatican balcony as Christmas celebrations continued on the feast day of St. Stephen, the church's first martyr.

''Brothers and sisters, while the spiritual echoes of the extraordinary event which we celebrated yesterday are still alive in all of us, I give an affectionate salute to everyone,'' the Polish-born pope told a crowd of several thousand gathered under partly cloudy skies in St. Peter's Square.

A day after addressing the world in his traditional ''Urbi et Orbi'' message (''To the City and the World''), John Paul delivered words of good cheer to visitors who have come from around the globe to celebrate the holiday in the Eternal City.

''I wish you all - Romans and pilgrims - a peaceful holiday and I hope that you can spend these days of rest in serenity with your families,'' the pope said.

St. Stephen's day, a holiday in Italy, honors a Christian martyr who was stoned to death in 33 A.D.

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#90360u0143 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 26) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

The hundreds of thousands of troops deployed in the Persian Gulf are back on

routine duty after half-secret Christmas celebrations in the Moslem region. Christmas in both the gulf and elsehwere was overshadowed by increasing indications that a military confrontation will occur if Iraq does NOT withdraw its troops from Kuwait by the January 15th deadline.

It's another bitterly cold night for most of the nation. Cold arctic air hovers from the Rocky Mountains to the East Coast. The temperature was below zero all day yesterday from eastern Montana to Minnesota. Records were set from coast to coast. Most northern states have ground- covering snow, and the upper Great Lakes region is getting more snow during the night.

Plans for a new landfill in Virginia are facing opposition. The reason being given... environmental racism. An attorney who is an activist in Richmond says he will file a lawsuit today to block the landfill. He says the location chosen for the landfill is a historically black part of King and Queen County.

Construction of a garbage incinerator in Passaic, New Jersey, has a go-ahead. A New Jersey appeals court ruled that the state acted legally when it issued a permit to the company that will build and run the incinerator. Opponents claim trucks using a highway ramp to the facility would violate New Jersey's noise law.

Florida officials say migrants are being targeted by robbers. Many of the migrants DON'T trust banks with their money and are afraid to report robberies for fear of being deported. In addition, many migrants live in communities that have high crime rates.

Motorists in Tucson, Arizona, who failed to show up in court to answer drunken driving charges will get a one-time offer next month. To reduce a backlog of cases... failure-to-appear warrants may be dropped if defendants agree voluntarily to go to court and enter a plea to D-U-I charges.

People trying to raise money to preserve the home of General George C. Marshall say the Europeans are contributing more than the Americans. The soldier-turned-statesman is credited with rebuilding Europe after World War Two with his Marshall Plan. Backers have until March to collect about four-Million dollars to turn Marshall's mansion in Leesburg, Virginia, into a museum and conference center.

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#90360u0170 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

MANILA, PHILIPPINES (DEC. 26) UPI - Flames ignited by a firecracker explosion ripped through a public market in the northern Philippines on Christmas Day, killing seven people including three nuns, police said Wednesday.

The two-hour fire gutted a row of stores selling pyrotechnics for New Year's

Eve in Binalonan, Pangasinan, 100 miles north of Manila, police said.

Seven people, including three Catholic nuns who had just finished shopping, were killed in the fire.

Also on Christmas day, police said fires razed two apartments in the residential district of Sampaloc in the capital, killing one woman. The incidents were under investigation, police said.

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#90360u0231 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

PEMBROKE, NH (DEC. 26) UPI - Pembroke's police chief is defending the arrest and handcuffing of Santa Claus on a traffic violation as he was on his way to deliver Christmas trees to the needy, a published report said Wednesday.

Santa Claus, who is known without his red suit and white beard as Paul Dubois of Manchester, was arrested on Dec. 20 because Pembroke police believed the 1,610 lights that decorated his truck constituted a traffic hazard.

''He did a good job on the truck; that truck looked beautiful,'' Chief Lucien Bouffard told the Union Leader of Manchester newspaper. ''But he's not coming down Route 3 at 35-40 miles an hour with a ball of lights - this guy could cause an accident.''

Dubois was arrested for improper lighting and operating after suspension. He was released on $300 personal recognizance pending a court hearing on Jan. 21.

When the story appeared in area newspapers, Bouffard said ''his phone began ringing off the hook'' with people complaining about the arrest of Santa Claus.

He said Dubois was arrested and handcuffed after an officer ran a motor vehicle check and determined that his license had been suspended for an outstanding $25 traffic fine.

Bouffard said handcuffing prisoners is standard procedure.

''When we transport in our vehicle, we have to cuff regardless of who it is. That's policy,'' Bouffard said.

Dubois and one of his elves, Skip Sullivan of Hooksett, were in custody for nearly two hours.

Bouffard said police will press that charge of driving under revocation, but ''we'll have to see what we'll do'' about the improper lighting charge.

The well-lighted truck was welcomed in Manchester, Hooksett and Milford before being stopped in Pembroke.

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#90360u0289 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 26) UPI - Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov suffered a heart attack last night. President Mikhail Gorbachev announced the news to the Congress of People's Deputies this morning. Ryzhkov was stricken shortly after the Congress of People's Deputies voted to make his job practically obsolete.

Gorbachev said that there is NO danger to Ryzhkov's life, adding ''We wish him a speedy recovery, we hope he gets well.'' Ryzhkov was appointed chairman of the Council of Ministers as part of Gorbachev's original perestroika team in 1985.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has blamed the confrontation in the Gulf on United States and Israeli aggression. In a message to an UNidentified international conference on peace, Saddam called for negotiations, but ignored the latest demand by his Arab neighbors to leave Kuwait.

Millions of Chinese citizens are participating in local elections today. Apathetic citizens trooped to the polls to cast mandatory votes for representatives to local people's congresses.

The New York Times says New York City consistently awards the most expensive school bus contracts in the nation without competitive bidding, and many have been given to companies with alleged mob ties.

In Valley Stream, New York, last night, at least one gunman opened fire in a packed movie theater during an opening night showing of ''Godfather III,'' wounding four bystanders. Police say the shootings following an argument over noise.

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#90360u0316 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (DEC. 26) UPI - Japan's top telecommunications companies said Wednesday they will speed up plans to modernize and expand their computerized digital networks and enhance service quality in a move designed to meet the growing and diversifying needs of customers at home and abroad.

KDD (Overseas Communications Japan), leader of Japan's international telecommunications service, said it will expand its store and forward facsimile service, known as ''the F-Port,'' to cover regions of Europe and the Pacific Rim starting Jan. 1.

The new areas to be covered will be South Korea, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Malaysia, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Germany, Britain, Belgium, Italy, the Netherlands, Spain and Switzerland.

The service currently is available to the U.S. mainland, excluding Alaska andHawaii, and to the Philippines, France, Singapore, Thailand and Taiwan.

The F-Port service offers such features as automatic fax retransmission, multi-address transmission, non-delivery notice and time designation.

Communications charges are calculated by the number of sheets transmitted, and special discount rates are available for late night and early morning calls and for weekend and holiday calls, the company said.

The service will soon be available to the 21 countries and to ships in the Pacific and Indian oceans via telecommunications satellite, the company said.

The company recently launched a data-transmission service in the Pacific region via satellite, linking airliners flying over the Pacific region and the ground.

The service will be expanded to include telephone calls between aircraft flying over the Pacific region and the ground, starting next spring.

In addition, Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp. said it will speed up digitalization of Japan's domestic telephone network in line with the company's medium- and long-term business consolidation program.

Among other things, NTT said the program also is aimed at constructing a reliable and stable telecommunications network.

According to the buildup plan, the giant domestic telecommunications company will complete construction of Japan's nationwide network using digital and electronic stored program control system technology by the end of fiscal 1994, a year ahead of schedule, the company said.

The company said all subscriber telephones will also be digitalized by fiscal 1997, two years earlier than scheduled.

NTT said it will expand its integrated services digital network service as well.

Masashi Kojima, president of the company, said NTT is taking these ambitious steps to boost the company's competitiveness on the domestic market against growing competition from its rivals.

Kojima said he will try to keep the company's annual profits above $3.1 billion through improving its services and rebalancing local and long-distance telephone rates.

On another front, Japan's finance ministry, which owns a majority stake in the

company, will soon revise the governing law to allow foreign investors to acquire NTT shares on the market, he said.

Separately, Moody's Investors Service, a major U.S. credit-rating agency, said it has assigned an Aaa rating to NTT's $385 million bond offering due 2001.

The company said the rating is based on NTT's dominant market position and solid financial profile, noting the company has acted to become increasingly competitive through rate reductions, network modernization and cost control.

''During the intermediate term, NTT will maintain a strong balance sheet, generate improved earnings and increase its coverage of fixed charges,'' although profitability is expected to decline because of competition, Moody'ssaid.

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#90360u0368 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 26) UPI - Recent pressure to resign and the loss of most of his duties apparently have taken a heavy toll on Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov . The Soviet official suffered a heart attack and was hospitalized last night shortly after the Congress of People's Deputies approved a plan that strips him of his job. Soviet President Gorbachev said that Ryzhkov is NOT in danger of dying.

The Soviet Congress of People's Deputies today gave final approval to a complete package of significant new presidential powers requested by Mikhail Gorbachev. The government re-organization places a Cabinet and all government ministries under the president's direct control and establishes a new post of vice president. Gorbachev overcame opposition from liberal deputies and from Russian Federation leader Boris Yeltsin to win the broadened powers.

A teen was shot in the eye and another was seriously wounded in a Christmas night shooting in Valley Stream, New York. Police say the shootings occurred when two groups clashed over noise at a packed Long Island movie theater where ''Godfather III'' was showing. A shouting match interrupted the film's showing about 20 minutes after it began and sent a packed theater holding about 700 moviegoers scampering for safety in the cold outdoors.

A published report today says officials in New York City consistently award the most expensive school bus contracts in the nation without competitive bidding. The report said many of the contracts have been given to companies with alleged mob ties. One of the companies given a lucrative city contract to transport handicapped children in Brooklyn reportedly was run by a professional mob killer.

Although he was limited by Moslem law, Bob Hope said nobody could keep him from entertaining the troops on Christmas. NO reporters were allowed to watch

Hope shake hands with the troops or to attend any of the three shows he performing in Saudi Arabia. The Saudis refused to grant visas to actress Brooke Shields, or singers Janet Jackson, Marie Osmond and the Pointer Sisters.

African National Congress President Oliver Tambo, who recently returned to South Africa from exile, traveled to the nominally independent tribal territory of Transkei today. Tambo planned to visit his birthplace for the first time in more than 30 years. Black leader Nelson Mandela said he will join Tambo tomorrow, and they will jointly address a rally.

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#90360u0383 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

OSAKA, JAPAN (DEC. 26) UPI - Hitachi Zosen Corp., a major Japanese shipbuilding company, has announced a restructuring program, including diversification and a gradual downscaling of shipbuilding operations.

The company, which faces financial difficulties, is being aided in the restructuring by major investors Sanwa Bank and Hitachi Ltd., a leading electronics firm.

The moves are designed to position Hitachi Zosen to better do business in the next century, the company said.

Specifically, the company said, the program is aimed at developing Hitachi Zosen into a company with annual sales of $6.15 billion by the year 2001.

Under the program, Hitachi Zosen will gradually reduce shipbuilding's share of its total sales from 30 percent in the 1993 business year to 25 percent in 1995 and to 20 percent in 2001, the company said.

Hitachi Zosen will invest between $231 billion and $385 million over the next three years to branch out into several different areas, including production and transport systems, environmental protection and resources and energy.

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#90360u0392 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (DEC. 26) UPI - Japan's crude steel output in the first quarter of 1991 is expected to rise 2.6 percent over a year ago to 27.3 million tons, a record for the three-month period, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry said Wednesday.

The ministry said total production for fiscal 1990 ending March 31, is projected at 110.99 million tons. This would be 2.6 percent higher than a year ago and the fourth-largest annual output on record.

Production for the 1990 calendar year is estimated at 110.31 million tons, up

2.2 percent over the preceding year, the ministry said.

Domestic steel consumption in fiscal 1990 was estimated at a record 80.34 million tons, buoyed by strong demand from the shipbuilding and industrial machinery markets. The previous record of 75.1 million tons was set in 1989, the ministry said.

The ministry said exports during the January-March period are estimated at 3.23 million tons, up 11.8 percent over a year ago.

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#90360u0393 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Wednesday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Dec. 24: Purchases of 175,227 shares and sales of 290,140 shares including 2,218 shares sold short.

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#90360u0398 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 26) UPI - A body exhumed from a pauper's grave earlier this month is not that of missing candy heiress Helen Vorhees Brach, Cook County Medical Examiner Robert Stein said Wednesday.

Federal officials who ordered the exhumation, however, said they still are awaiting results of tests before they make up their minds about the case.

Brach disappeared in February 1977 after a visit to Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. No trace of the wealthy Brach has been found and her estate was settled several years ago after she was declared legally dead.

The body exhumed Dec. 11 from the Mount Glenwood Cemetery was found in a forest preserve in early 1978. Stein said at the time the body was discovered that it was not Brach's remains, although it was mutilated, decomposed and never positively identified.

The Southtown Economist newspaper reported in its Wednesday editions Stein said his examinations and those of other experts, including another medical examiner and an anthropologist, support his original conclusions.

Family members earlier said the body appeared to be too short to have been Brach's.

''It's silly,'' Stein said. ''It's definitely not Helen Brach. As far as we're concerned, the case is closed.''

He did not elaborate on how the determination was made.

Federal officials said they do not yet accept Stein's findings and are waiting for the results of DNA tests comparing the exhumed body with samples of genetic material recovered from Brach's home after her death.

''It's still an open investigation,'' Jerry Singer, spokesman for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, told the Economist. ''We have to refrain from commenting because all the tests have not been finished and there's no timetable as to when the examinations will be completed.''

ATF and state police investigators, pursuing leads indicating Brach may have been killed because she was about to expose a horse race swindle, developed information leading to the exhumation.

Brach was 65 when she disappeared.

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#90360u0414 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

BEIRUT, LEBANON (DEC. 26) UPI - An official of the Palestine Liberation Organization threatened Wednesday to stage suicide terrorist attacks against U.S. targets worldwide in the event of war against Iraq.

''American interests in the world will be targetted and suicidal attacks will be launched in and outside the gulf and Palestine,'' said Zeid Wehbeh, PLO representative in Lebanon.

Wehbeh made the threat in an interview with the Lebanese communist- run Voice of the People radio station at the Ein El Helweh refugee camp on the outskirts of the southern port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut.

The PLO official also called on Arabs to ''mobilize their forces to confront an American-Israeli agression (against Iraq) that will take place in the beginning of next year.''

PLO chief Yasser Arafat has advocated a pro-Iraqi stand since Baghdad invaded the neighboring oil-rich emirate of Kuwait Aug. 2, prompting the West and some Arab nations to deploy a large military force in Saudi Arabia.

The U.N. Security Council has authorized the use of military force to dislodge Iraq from Kuwait after Jan. 15, but Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has shown no signs of a willingness to withdraw.

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#90360u0415 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (DEC. 26) UPI - Hong Kong Electric Co. has ordered a flue gas desulfurization plant and took options on two additional facilities from

Mitsubishi Heavy Industries for installation at its Lamma power station, Mitsubishi said Wednesday.

The Tokyo-based company said the plant will be installed for a coal- fired, 350-megawatt power generating unit at the station. If the options are exercised, they will be paired with other 350-megawatt Lamma units.

Under the contract, Mitsubishi will dispatch experts to supervise installation of the plants, the company said.

The first is scheduled to be delivered in October 1993, the company said.

A similar plant was ordered by Huaneng International Power Development Corp. of China in 1988, the company said.

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#90360u0424 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NORFOLK, Va. (DEC. 26) UPI - The aircraft carriers USS America and USS Theodore Roosevelt and close to 16,000 Atlantic Fleet personnel will leave Friday for the Persian Gulf region as part of Operation Desert Shield, the Navy said.

The crewmen deployed with the second wave of the U.S. military buildup will come from ports all along the East Coast. About 10,500 of the sailors scheduled to leave are stationed in Norfolk.

The Navy has been in what is known as its pre-overseas movement period during the past month, working to give sailors military leave before they deploy, said Lt. Gordon Hume, a spokesman for the Atlantic Fleet in Norfolk.

''With Christmas they were trying to get as many people as they could (on leave) and at the same time keep enough people on board to keep the supplies coming on,'' Hume said.

The carrier battle groups are tentatively scheduled to leave after noon Friday he said.

The deployment will leave the piers at Norfolk Naval Station, the nation's largest naval installation, virtually empty. Shortly after Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2, a steady stream of ships began leaving for the Middle East, as the United States sought to bolster its Navy presence in the troubled region.

More than 35,000 military personnel from southeastern Virginia have been deployed with Operation Desert Shield. Their departure has hurt the region's economy, taking away a large segment of customers from area businesses.

Virginia's military installations and their personnel have played a major role

in the U.S. military buildup. In addition to Navy ships, a large number of supply vessels have left the port of Hampton Roads, packed with logistical supplies.

Not since Vietnam has Norfolk Naval Station experienced such a mobilization, according to military officials.

''It's been busy,'' Hume said. ''A lot of loading, getting supplies ready. At the same time, trying to give the sailors time to spend with their families.''

Military personnel assigned to the carriers and their support ships will also be leaving from Jacksonville and Mayport, Fla., Charleston, S. C., Earle, N.J. the New York City area, and Whidbey Island, Wash.

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#90360u0426 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $384.90, silver base of $4.10 and platinum price of $411.20:

	Wednesday	Monday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$400.60	399.20
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	205.50	204.80
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.50	105.20
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.60	43.40
Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	400.60	399.20
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	205.50	204.80
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	106.00	105.70
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.60	43.40
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	406.70	405.60
China Panda .50 troy oz.	209.50	209.00
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.70	108.40
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.90	46.80
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.00	28.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	400.30	399.30
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	204.60	204.00
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.30	103.10
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.50	44.40
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	398.40	397.80
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	206.20	205.90
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	105.00	105.70
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.90	44.80
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	398.50	397.60
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	204.90	204.50
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	87.90	87.70

Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	N.A.	N.A.
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.20	24.40
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.49	$5.57
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,070	$3,120
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,350	$1,375
Platinum		
Australian Koala	426.00	437.00
Isle of Man Noble	423.00	434.00
Canada Maple Leaf	N.A.	N.A.

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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#90360u0433 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 26) UPI - U.S. and Australian naval forces raided an Iraqi cargo ship carrying a group of women on a self-declared relief mission Wednesday, and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein insisted he is willing to ''discuss all issues'' once the Palestinian question is settled.

An Israeli newspaper reported Wednesday Saddam would meet with Secretary of State James Baker on Jan. 9 for high-level talks that have been delayed while the two countries bicker over appropriate dates, but the State Department denied the report.

Although there has been ''almost daily contact with the Iraqi Foreign Ministry ... there has been no movement'' on the selection of a date for a meeting between Baker and Saddam, a State Department spokeswoman said in Washington.

Also Wednesday, an official of the Palestine Liberation Organization threatened to stage terrorist attacks against U.S. targets worldwide in the event of war against Iraq.

''American interests in the world will be targetted and suicidal attacks will be launched in and outside the gulf and Palestine,'' said Zeid Wehbeh, PLO representative in Lebanon.

Wehbeh made the threat in an interview with the Lebanese communist- run Voice of the People radio station at the Ein El Helweh refugee camp on the outskirts of the southern port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut.

In the Persian Gulf off the coast of Oman, a boarding party from American and Australian warships forcibly stopped and boarded an Iraqi cargo ship Wednesday according to a U.S. Navy spokesman in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

The vessel was intercepted after its captain had refused repeated orders to halt for an inspection, said the Navy spokesman, Lt. Cmdr. John Tull.

The ship, the Ibn Khaldoun, was carrying 153 Western and Arab women and children, who told reporters earlier they were carrying medicine to the children of Iraq suffering from a U.N.-imposed economic embargo.

The embargo, ordered by the United Nations in an attempt to pressure Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, allows the shipment of medicine but prohibits food except in emergencies.

Tull said the boarding party discovered the ship was carrying tons of sugar in violation of the embargo and it was diverted from its intended port of Basra, Iraq.

Saddam, facing a U.N.-imposed Jan. 15 deadline to withdraw from Kuwait or be forced out by U.S.-led multinational troops in the region, was quoted Wednesday by the official Iraqi news agency INA as saying the Palestinian question would have to be on the agenda of any meeting he held on the gulf crisis.

''The Palestinian issue is our first priority,'' he said. ''We will liberate Palestine, after that we will be ready to discuss all issues. This is our policy and we will not retract it.''

The United States and Iraq had agreed to hold high-level talks before Jan. 15, but with the clock ticking toward the crucial date, the two countries have failed to agree when the meetings will take place.

The Israeli newspaper Maariv, in a report based on sources in Washington, said Baker was planning to go to Baghdad Jan. 9, about midway between the Jan. 3 date Washington had proposed and the Jan. 12 date Baghdad had favored.

Saddam, in a speech reported by INA Tuesday, blamed the gulf crisis on American aggression and called for negotiations, but ignored demands he withdraw from Kuwait.

The Iraqi president has said in television interviews that he will not withdraw his troops from Kuwait by Jan. 15, only 20 days away. He invaded the oil-rich emirate on Aug. 2 and declared it as an historic part of Iraq.

Saddam has repeatedly tried to link his occupation of Kuwait with the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and the Gaza strip, but the United States and

other nations allied against him have rejected such a connection.

However, the conservative pro-Western Gulf Cooperation Council, which includes Saudi Arabia, Oman, Qatar, Bahrain, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates, issued a joint call Tuesday for the withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait and a solution to the Palestinian problem.

The leaders of the countries said in the joint communique issued at the end of a summit in Qatar that the Palestinian problem remained the number one issue in the Arab world, despite the Gulf crisis.

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#90360u0448 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

BUCHAREST, ROMANIA (DEC. 26) UPI - The former king of Romania returned to his homeland for the first time since he fled in 1945 but government officials forced him to leave after less than 12 hours.

The Romanian Ministry of Interior said King Michael, 69, his queen, and daughter Princess Sophie did not have the proper papers to visit and never should have been allowed across the border.

The king and his entourage were ordered to board a military plane back to Switzerland after being stopped by police on the road to their ancestral home.

The former monarch's surprise 24-hour private visit on Christmas Day was cut short because the Romanian Ministry of Interior said his entry was illegal. Michael's visit coincided with the first anniversary of the overthrow and execution of communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu on Christmas Day 1989.

Col. Vasile Tolontan, chief of Otopeni International Airport border police, said the king needed to obtain a visa at the Romanian Embassy in Geneva, and that border guards erred by allowing the royal entourage into the country.

The king had smiled and waved his passport with a visa stamp at reporters Tuesday night, apparently believing his entry papers were valid. But shortly afterward, state television broadcast an Interior Ministry statement saying Michael had entered the country illegally and could face criminal charges.

The royal party of six left Bucharest Wednesday, leaving their baggage behind. A seventh member of the entourage remained to accompany the baggage back in the private jet in which the former leader arrived.

Michael arrived in Bucharest about 6 a.m. on Christmas Day but was forced out before daylight. It was Michael's first visit to his native land since he fled in 1947 as communist forces seized the country.

The royal party, which was traveling in a Romanian jeep, was stopped on the

road to the ancestral home and burial grounds at Curtea de Arges, more than 90 miles north of Bucharest. It was not clear how their vehicle was stopped, but there were signs the royal party may have been forcibly halted.

Michael also had tried to visit Romania in April but the government refused him permission, claiming his visa was not valid. Michael was turned away from the airport and Romanian authorities said his visit was untimely because of the impending elections in May.

Crowned at age 5, Michael was forced from the throne as a teenager and fled the country after the communist takeover in 1945.

Some Romanians believe the king never properly abdicated. There is widespread support for a return to a monarchy but the post-revolutionary government has so far refused to hold a referendum on the matter, called for by the six main opposition parties and student unions.

Defense Minister Gen. Victor Stanculescu reportedly visited the king in Geneva recently amid rumors the army could stage a coup to install Michael as head of state. Stanculescu has denied he met with the king, who said the talks were strictly about the Romanian army.

Most Romanians know little about the former monarchy, which fills only a few paragraphs in school textbooks. It is not commonly known, for example, that the monarchy was instrumental in uniting Transylvania with Romania in 1918. During recent celebrations of that day this year, no mention was made of the part played by Queen Marie in the negotiations between the two states.

The ruling party newspaper recently published an article titled, ''The Truth about the King,'' attacking the royal family as foreigners who cannot speak Romanian and who were never elected or wanted by the Romanian people.

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#90360u0449 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 26) UPI - 12 days after her feeding tube was removed, Nancy Cruzan died today in a Mount Vernon, Missouri, hospital today. Her tube was removed December 14th after a court granted her parent's request to end her eight-year coma.

Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov suffered a heart attack last night, but is reported to be out of danger. Soviet President Gorbachev told the Congress of People's Deputies today that Ryzhkov is hospitalized, but there is NO danger to his life.

Police in Vatican City have ruled out an American military club as the target of a Christmas Day bomb blast which damaged the club, as well as nearby offices of Vatican Radio. Anarchists have claimed responsibility for the blast.

Christian areas of Beirut observed a general strike today to protest last week's assassination of two officials of the conservative Christian Phalange Party. Shops, schools and bussinesses were shut down in some areas of Beirut.

The Pilots Association says there was NO organized sickout against American Airlines during the Christmas holiday period. But the airline contends that some pilots called in sick hoping to force it to accept union terms in current contract talks.

A fire sparked by a firecracker explosion ripped through a public market in the northern Philippines on Christmas Day, killing seven people, including three nuns. Police say the blaze gutted a row of stores selling fireworks 100 miles north of Manila.

Taxpayers snowed over with Christmas bills will get holiday greetings from the government soon. The Internal Revenue service today mails out tax packets and postcards to 108 Million people nationwide.

Researchers at the Southern Illinois School of Medicine say cancer has overtaken heart disease as the leading killer of middle-aged Americans. The overall death rate among Americans dropped 35-point-six percent between 1950 and 1986.

News reports say the Albanian State Bank and a Swiss financial institution have signed an agreement, creating the first joint venture bank established between the Marxist nation and a foreign company.

A veterinarian is warning that dogs and cats received as Christmas gifts need lots of care. Texas A-and-M Dr. Alice Wolf says to give the animals time to adjust and get them to a vet soon for a checkup and shots.

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BEIJING (DEC. 26) UPI - Senior leader Deng Xiaoping ended a five-month public absence Wednesday with an appearance to cast his ballot in local elections, quelling reports he had not recovered from a serious illness last fall.

The 86-year-old patriarch's televised appearance also came at a crucial moment in China, coinciding with a meeting of the ruling Communist Party central committee that is expected to extend Deng's economic reform polices through the end of the century.

Deng appeared at his local polling place inside the walled Zhongnanhai leadership compound in Beijing, according to the official Xinhua news agency and state-run Chinese Central Television, which broadcast videotape of the rare event.

Deng's eyes appeared sunken and red and his right hand trembled visibly as he marked his ballot, but he smiled confidently and shuffled unassisted to the ballot box to cast his vote.

Dozens of aides doted on the elderly leader as he paused to smile for Chinese television cameras and photographers, sporting a well-tailored blue tunic of the style favored by the late Chairman Mao Tse-tung.

The ostensibly retired leader's appearance was the lead item on the CCTV national newscast. Western reporters were not invited to the highly restricted and unannounced event.

Until Wednesday, the architect of China's decade-old economic and political reforms had not appeared in public since mid-July.

Deng, who gave up his last official post early this year, has repeatedly expressed his wish to step back and let younger leaders take center stage, saying he would meet only with ''old friends.''

He appeared fit in mid-1989 after ordering the Beijing massacre that crushed China's massive pro-democracy movement, but his sight appeared to decline after that until he dropped from sight altogether.

Questions about Deng's health arose last fall when Deng failed to meet several visiting leaders from Singapore, Indonesia and Britain.

The true state of Deng's health is one of China's most closely guarded secrets.

Chinese sources in Beijing and Hong Kong said Deng suffered a major health setback in September, most likely a stroke, but has largely recovered since then. Wednesday's broadcast of a relatively vigorous Deng appeared to corroborate reports of a health comeback.

The Chinese press has sought in recent weeks to demonstrate Deng's vitality with reports that he had written two calligraphic inscriptions. There was no way to verify his penmanship.

Deng's symbolic re-emergence bolsters reports that the communist leadership this week will sanction a 10-year extension of his economic liberalization program.

Deng is believed to have prevailed in a top-level party struggle with more orthodox Marxists who had sought to roll back some of his highly successful reforms, which brought a decade of prosperity to China but which depart sharply from communist doctrine.

The central committee's unpublicized plenary session was expected to continue

through Thursday, with its results published soon thereafter.

Deng is known to be hard of hearing and suffers from ailments associated with advanced age, and there have been persistent, unconfirmed reports he has been diagnosed as suffering from a form of cancer.

Four of Deng's five children, daughters Deng Lin and Deng Rong and sons Deng Pufang and Deng Zhifang, have traveled abroad in recent months, lending credence to reports their father was recovering and out of danger.

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#90360u0475 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 26) UPI - All Soviet citizens will be evacuated from Iraq by Jan. 10 if they want to leave, Foreign Ministry spokesman Vitaly Churkin said Wednesday.

Churkin also said that two high-level Soviet officials have left for Baghdad to discuss the evacuation and ''a variety of meetings'' in the Iraqi capital.

Churkin said 1,700 Soviets remain in Iraq and that the necessary aircraft will be available to have them all out by Jan. 10, or five days before the U.N. deadline for Iraq to withdraw its forces from Kuwait without war.

''All Soviet citizens will have an opportunity to leave and will be able to return to the Soviet Union,'' Churkin said. He repeated his earlier explanations that ''we cannot force them to leave.''

Recent television shows have aired interviews with the Soviet contractors in which they expressed an unwillingness to depart, saying the Iraqis treat them well.

Churkin said Igor Belousov, deputy chairman of the U.S.S.R. Council of Ministers before Wednesday's government reorganization, and Vasily Kolotusha, head of the Middle East and North African division of the Foreign Ministry, had left for Baghdad.

''They will have a variety of meetings,'' Churkin said.

Churkin did not say whether they would be meeting with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, or what the two officials would talk about besides the evacuation of the Soviet workers.

''They will discuss a variety of other things,'' he said.

In October, Yevgeny Primakov, a close adviser to Gorbachev, met Hussein twice in an attempt to negotiate a way out of the crisis.

The presence of the Soviet workers in Iraq stems from the long friendship betwen the two countries in which Moscow was Iraq's main weapons supplier.

The Soviet Union has supported the United States at the United Nations in demanding that Iraq pull its forces out of Kuwait.

Moscow has supported all Security Council resolutions including economic sanctions against Baghdad and imposing the Jan. 15 deadline to pull out.

In his resignation speech as foreign minister, Eduard Shevardnadze lashed out at critics who said the minister was planning to send Soviet forces to the Persian Gulf.

Shevardnadze said that no plans had been made anywhere that he knew of to send even one Soviet soldier to the area in event of war.

But he also said a nation should never reconcile to a small state, like Kuwait being swallowed by a larger neighbor, Iraq.

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(DEC. 26) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Omitted				
BNH Bancshares				
Usual				
Peopls Fed Svg Dekalb	Q	.16	1-16	1-2
Zions Bancorp	Q	.36	1-25	1-2

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) UPI - Sales of previously owned homes gained momentum during November as a steady decline in mortgage rates brought prospective buyers back to the market, the National Association of Realtors said Wednesday.

The association reported a seasonally adjusted annual sales rate of 3.14 million existing single-family homes last month, 3 percent above the October rate of 3.05 million units.

November's favorable rates had a stabilizing effect on most markets, the association said.

Many buyers ''scared off'' by disruptions caused in the financial markets in August and September by the Mideast crisis resumed their home search later in the fall as a pattern of declining mortgage rates became evident, said Harley E. Rouda, president of the trade group.

''Once mortgage rates settled down, consumers felt more at ease about buying a home,'' said Rouda.

Mortgage interest rates have continued to drift downward, following an initial hike that occurred immediately after Iraq invaded Kuwait.

The Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. reported the national average commitment rate for conventional, fixed-rate mortgages running 30 years dropped from Ocotber's 10.13 percent to 9.90 percent during November.

The national median existing single-family home price was $91,300 in November, down by 1.9 percent from a year earlier and by 1.7 percent from October, the association said. Half the homes sell for more than the median price and half sell for less.

The decline in November's median price indicates that a greater number of homes are selling in a lower price range.

The year-to-year and month-to-month declines in the national price reflect lower prices and ''buyer's market'' conditions in many areas, particularly in the Northeast and on the West Coast, Rouda noted.

''Home buying conditions are the best we've seen in more than a decade. The savvy will make their move now. The doom-and-gloomers will miss out,'' he said.

Significantly, the decline in prices has opened homeownership to modest-income first-time buyers who previously were shut out by steep price increases, Rouda said.

''Greater access for entry-level buyers spurs sales in the trade-up markets as well. Periods of soaring prices are not conducive to a healthy housing market '' he said.

While prices in some markets, notably high-cost areas, have fallen in recent months, John Tuccillo, the association's chief economist, said he expected this movement to be temporary.

''Rates and prices generally don't move in the same direction for long,'' Tuccillo said, predicting that increased demand resulting from falling mortgage rates will boost prices in the months ahead.

Overall, home prices have risen significantly over the past few years. The national median price in November was 21.9 percent higher than that for the

same month in 1985, the realtors said.

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#90360u0521 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 26) UPI - Hospital officials in Mount Vernon, Missouri, report the death of Nancy Cruzan, whose feeding tube was removed December 14th. The parents of the 33-year-old comatose woman were granted a court order to let her die. Cruzan has been in a persistant vegetative state since a car accident in 1983. She had been steadily deteriorating since she was removed from the tube that was bringing her food and water.

Mikhail Gorbachev is a more powerful man at home today. The Congress of People's Deputies gave final approval to a complete package of significant new presidential powers requested by Gorbachev. As the Congress opened today, Gorbachev announced that Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov suffered a heart attack last night and was hospitalized, but apparently is out of danger. His position was stripped of much of its power under the plan adopted by the Congress.

Georges Marchais, the French Communist Party Secretary General who was re-elected to his post just last week, suffered an apparent heart attack today. Sources say the 70-year-old Marchais was resting at his country home in southern France when he suffered the heart attack. He is being treated at a hospital in Avignon.

Senior Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping made a rare venture into public today to vote in local elections. Deng had NOT been seen in public for five-months, and there were reports that he had not recovered from serious illness last fall. The 86-year-old former leader's televised appearance also came at a crucial moment in China, coinciding with a meeting of the ruling Communist Party central committee. Deng's economic reform polices are expected to be extended through the century.

Members of the Texas Army National Guard's 217th Evacuation Hospital will report for active duty today in San Antonio. The 300 men and women were notified on Christmas Eve they were being called up because of the Persian Gulf crisis. Captain Henry Hamner said the troops were prepared and it was no surprise with the continuing activation of guard and reserve units around the country. As he says, ''Whether it's Christmas Eve or the middle of May, we have to deal with it.''

It's bitter cold in much of the nation today. There were record lows in Minnesota and North Dakota, snow reported in Michigan, and wind chills as low as 30 below zero across the region. It took just 15 minutes today for International Falls, Minnesota, to tie a record of minus 29 degrees. In Duluth a minus 22 degree reading broke a record and the minus 31 degree reading in Williston, North Dakota, broke a 54- year-old record by one degree.

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#90360u0549 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Trans World Airlines owner Carl Icahn says he is ''troubled and confused'' by the attitude of Pan Am Corp.'s management, raising doubts about the likelihood of a merger between the two carriers.

In a letter to Pan Am Chairman Thomas Plaskett released Tuesday, Icahn questioned whether Pan Am is serious about a possible merger.

''The conflicting attitudes and signals that we have received from you and other representatives cause us to wonder whether you are serious,'' Icahn said adding he was ''troubled and confused by the attitude'' of Pan Am.

Pan Am officials reportedly called off a meeting Monday with their counterparts at TWA. Icahn also expressed concern about reports that Pan Am may be poised to sell its lucrative Northeast shuttle operation.

Cash-strapped Pan Am has shed some assets in recent years to cover mounting losses.

''If you genuinely believe that a sale of the shuttle is the right answer for Pan Am, then why wouldn't you offer to TWA, as part of a merger, the right to compete for the shuttle on the same terms as another buyer?'' Icahn asked.

''At this stage in our discussions, for Pan Am to sell assets to third parties without discussing the same with TWA demonstrates your lack of a good-faith interest in negotiating the merger of our airlines.

''I urge you and your board to carefully consider your next step before you destroy the possibility of a Pan Am-TWA combination which might well be your airline's only hope of survival,'' Icahn wrote.

Pan Am did not immediately respond to the letter.

Icahn offered last week to acquire Pan Am for $1.50 a share cash and $1 in preferred stock or promissory notes, a deal that would be worth $375 million at the most.

Although airlines analysts at first expressed skepticism about the likelihood of such a deal, Pan Am's Plaskett opened the way for a merger Friday in a letter to Icahn saying ''the time is right'' to explore the possibility.

But Plaskett said Pan Am would need a bridge loan from TWA to meet its financial needs while seeking approval for any merger agreement.

Icahn said he would be willing to loan Pan Am money, but only as part of bankruptcy proceedings that would give TWA a priority lien on unsecured Pan Am

assets. Plaskett is said to oppose that condition.

The Wall Street Journal reported Monday that Northwest Airlines had arranged financing with PacifiCorp of Portland, Ore., to buy the Pan Am Shuttle linking New York, Boston and Washington for $150 million.

Spokesmen for Northwest and Pan Am declined to comment on the report.

Such a sale would further ease the cash shortage at Pan Am. On Monday, Pan Am received $20 million from United Airlines for its San Francisco facilities, sold as part of a larger $400 million deal including Pan Am's five U.S.-London routes.

Pan Am needs cash to survive the slow winter travel season while awaitinggovernmental approval of the London route transfer.

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BY MARK HUBAND - UPI

ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST (DEC. 26) UPI - Following a year of unrest and calls for political change, West Africa remains almost as far as ever from democracy despite promises from old leaders and a few tentative steps toward reform.

Inspired by the revolutions in eastern Europe, millions of Africans began to look at their own countries and to demand fundamental reforms. At first their leaders said no - no change, no democracy, no elections.

But massive demonstrations and strikes in some countries, such as the Ivory Coast, and widespread riots in others, such as Gabon, combined with pressure from France, the former colonial ruler, forced the region's leaders to bend to the prevailing winds.

Yet a year later the old leaders are still in power, and there has been little genuine change. The main difference is that many of the rulers, having adeptly exploited the system to give themselves democratic mandates, can now claim a certain legitimacy they previously lacked.

In Gabon, the ruling Gabonese Democratic Party of President Omar Bongo won a majority of the seats in the country's first multiparty national assembly elections since independence from France in 1960.

In the Ivory Coast, President Felix Houphouet-Boigny threw himself into the political fray by standing as a presidential candidate and winning with more than 60 percent of the vote. Few believe the victory was achieved without ballot-rigging and electoral fraud on a grand scale.

Cameroon's move toward political change has been equally ambiguous. In late December the government approved legislation for multiparty politics, but reserved for itself the power to ban political parties if it decided they were threatening the stability of the state. In addition, registering the parties was made a complicated affair.

In Benin, President Mathieu Kerekou gave up his hard-line Marxist ideology and his executive powers in order to remain head of state, but he is now busily undermining the reforms by dragging-out his new function - that of signing legislation once it has been passed.

And in neighboring Togo, the government announced this month that political pluralism would have to wait until the new constitution had been adopted in 1992.

The French government, which uses military and economic aid to keep its former colonies in line, began to insist on fundamenatal reforms about a year ago.

At a meeting in France last spring, President Francois Mitterrand, addressing the African leaders seated beside him much as a school master might address his unruly pupils, made it clear that future French aid would depend on their willingness to create mulitparty political systems in their respective countries.

Human rights abuses and the lack of democracy suddenly became the central concerns of French politicians who deal with Africa. Unless progress was made in these areas, it would be "difficult" for France to support unreconstructed regimes, warned French Minister of Cooperation Jacques Pelletier.

While it is generally acknowledged that France wishes to reduce the cost of its presence in Africa, Paris considered that maintaining stability in the region was essential.

But that stability could only be assured if the old leaders reformed rather than resigned.

And in fact stability has been assured by the surprising adeptness of many of France's longtime friends and allies among the leaders of West Africa at sidestepping the real motives behind the calls for democratic change.

Most of the democratic movements that have sprung up in the last year have been the result of popular dislike of the incumbent leaders themselves. But showing finely tuned political skills, many of the presidents were able to cling to power by associating themselves with the very political changes they had initially rejected.

Except for Nigerian President Ibrahim Babangida, the West African heads of state have not shown themselves truly committed to democratic rule. All the

others have had democracy forced upon them to varying degrees.

The lack of experience among opposition movements across West Africa has proved a major stumbling block for reformers seeking change in countries where all but those selected by the one-party rulers have been deprived of political and administrative experience.

As with Mobutu Sese Seko, the president of Zaire, Bongo has skirted around the democratic process and safe-guarded his own position by ''rising above'' party politics. He now acts as head of state without apparent political allegiances of his own, and Gabon now has a prime minister who can take the political heat off the president.

Cameroon's independent media, censorship of which is overt and can be seen when articles are blacked out on the printed pages of the newspapers, is also subject to close scrutiny as a result of new legislation.

While it was initially pressure from France that forced consideration of how to best turn West African dictatorships into budding democracies, many of the leaders have proved to be more concerned about satisfying the former but still powerful colonial ruler rather than really meeting the demands of their own people.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - The United Press International Board of Coaches' Top 25 college basketball ratings, with first-place votes and records through Dec. 23 in parentheses, total points (based on 15 points for first place, 14 for second, etc.) and previous week's ranking:

1. UNLV (27) (5-0)	405	1
2. Arkansas (9-1)	348	2
3. Arizona (8-1)	342	4
4. Syracuse (11-0)	338	3
5. Indiana (10-1)	268	6
6. Ohio State (8-0)	264	7
7. North Carolina (7-1)	240	8
8. Duke (8-2)	210	9
9. UCLA (8-1)	161	5
10. St. John's (9-0)	148	14
11. Pittsburgh (9-1)	97	16
12. South Carolina (8-1)	76	17
13. Louisiana State (6-2)	70	11
14. Oklahoma (8-2)	45	12
15. Connecticut (6-1)	44	15
16. Georgetown (6-2)	40	10
17. Georgia (7-2)	34	13

18.	Michigan State (5-3)	21	24
19.	(tie) Nebraska (10-1)	17	21
19.	(tie) East Tenn. St. (7-1)	17	19
21.	Iowa (9-1)	13	NR
22.	(tie) New Mexico St. (7-1)	10	20
22.	(tie) S. Mississippi (3-1)	10	18
24.	(tie) Virginia (6-2)	7	NR
24.	(tie) Alabama (4-3)	7	NR

NR - not ranked

Others receiving votes: Georgia Tech, Louisville, Temple, Washington.

Note: By agreement with the National Association of Basketball Coaches of the United States, teams on probation by the NCAA and ineligible for the NCAA Tournament are ineligible for Top 25 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches. Those schools are Illinois, Kentucky, Marshall, Maryland, Missouri, Northwest Louisiana and Robert Morris.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Wednesday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - steady.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 100-102; large 97-100 and mediums 85-88.

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OMAHA (DEC. 26) UPI - Livestock:

Cattle 250; small number of steers and heifers fully 1.00 lower. Slaughter steers select to mostly choice 2-4 1050-1300 lbs. 79. 50-80.50, shipment around 1200 lbs. 81.00. Slaughter heifers select to mostly choice 2-4 950-1050 lbs. 79.50-80.00, part load 1050 lbs. 81. 00.

Hogs 1,000; barrows and gilts 1.00 lower. U. S. 1-3 220-250 lbs. 49.50-50.00.Sows firm undertone noted, not fully established.

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#90360u0654 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

CINCINNATI (DEC. 26) UPI - Ozzie Newsome, a standout 13-year veteran tight end for the Cleveland Browns, said Wednesday he probably will retire Sunday,

but may stay with the Browns in the front office or as an assistant coach.

Asked in a conference call with Cincinnati reporters if Sunday's season finale against the Cincinnati Bengals would be his last game, Newsome said, ''It looks that way. I haven't made a firm decision because I don't like to approach a game in a negative frame of mind. But, it looks that way.''

Newsome, 34, was on the verge of retiring a year ago, but decided to play this season because he thought he might have a chance to be on the first Browns' team to go to a Super Bowl.

However, the 3-12 Browns have been a huge disappointment this season and Newsome said that's one reason he's leaning toward calling it quits now.

''Last year I came back because I thought we were real close to the Super Bowl '' he said. ''But after this year, I think the team is going to rebuild or start over.''

Asked what he would do if he retires, Newsome said the Browns' front office or an assistant coaching job were possibilities.

''I might move up to the front office,'' he said. ''There are two or three opportunities there, but there's been no assignment yet.

''I haven't ruled out becoming an assistant coach,'' added Newsome. ''But that would only come about if I'm compatible with the new Browns' head coach.''

Cleveland is searching for a new head coach after Bud Carson departed at mid-season and after interim head coach Jim Shofner recently said he won't continue next season.

''For me, I don't see any difference in working in the front office or being an assistant coach,'' said Newsome. ''The main duty of each job is to bring a Super Bowl to this organization.''

Newsome, who will play in his 198th game Sunday, needs just 26 receiving yards to become the 15th player in NFL history to reach the 8, 000-yard mark. He hasn't fumbled in a decade, catching 550 straight passes without fumbling.

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#90360u0657 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

DENVER (DEC. 26) UPI - Total beef production and the average price of beef in 1991 is expected to be equal to or better than 1990, the National Cattlemen's Association said Wednesday.

''After declining for several years, consumer demand for beef appears to have stabilized or strengthened,'' said John Lacey, president of the trade group.

Lacey said the industry's brighter prospects reflected increased exports of beef - from less than half a percent of U.S. output in 1980 to 5 percent in 1990 - and promotion programs that have helped overcome what the cattlemen call misconceptions about beef.

''The net result of all of this has been improved profitability for most beef cattle producers. That profitability, in turn, is beginning to trigger an expansion in the size of the nation's cattle herd for the first time since 1982,'' Lacey said.

''In 1991, total beef production will likely be equal to or greater than 1990 production, and average per capita supplies for domestic consumption will be about the same as in 1990. Average prices of cattle and beef in 1991 should be similar to 1990 price levels,'' he continued.

Lacey attributed the improvement in beef prices to the reduction in supply, to the increase in exports and to product improvements, such as closer trimming of fat by retailers.

The average retail price of choice beef was an estimated $2.79 per pound in 1990, up from $2.60 in 1989, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

''The situation and outlook are generally positive,'' said Tommy Beall, director of research for Cattle-Fax, a market information service. ''Domestic demand improvement should continue. Exports are expected to decline a little in 1991, but they still will be substantial.''

Poultry and pork output will increase again in 1991, Beall said, and that will tend to keep pressure on beef prices. However, cattle and retail beef prices are likely to average slightly higher.

The improvement in beef demand has come mostly in rib and loin cuts, which supply the more desirable steaks and roasts, the association said.

Chuck and round cuts, which are generally less tender and less convenient to prepare, have not shown the same improvements.

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#90360u0658 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 26) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev named a career Communist official who climbed through the party apparatus to join the Politburo as his surprise choice for the new post of vice president Wednesday.

Gennady Yanayev, 53, an ethnic Russian who previously headed the Young Communist League and the official trade union, was criticized by some deputies as an old-style conservative who would slow reform.

But Gorbachev defended his candidate as ''an active defender of and participant in perestroika'' and Yanayev said he supports Gorbachev's reforms although he called for caution in the move toward a market economy.

No other names were placed in nomination. Voting for vice president was to be by secret ballot Wednesday night with results to be announced Thursday. More than half the voting deputies would have to cast ballots against Yanayev to force another nomination.

Several deputies objected to the fact that there were no alternative candidates, but others said Gorbachev should have the right to choose his own Cabinet and vice president.

The nomination came shortly after the Congress gave final approval to a government reorganization that created the vice presidency and places the Cabinet and all government ministries under the president's direct control.

Embattled Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov, whose position was stripped of much of its power under the plan, suffered a heart attack Tuesday night and was hospitalized but apparently out of danger.

Yanayev, a historian by profession, is a longtime Communist Party official who earlier this year was made a full member of the party's ruling Politburo. He was formerly head of the party's youth organization, the Komsomol, and briefly served as head of the official trade union organization.

''I imagine that the vice president will be involved with a large range of questions tied to the realization of domestic and foreign affairs,'' Gorbachev said in his nomination speech.

Yanayev came under heavy criticism from liberal deputies who saw the nomination as another sign Gorbachev was returning to the old style of rule by Communist Party functionaries.

''It is a bad time for the republics,'' said Algimantas Chekuolis, a Lithuanian deputy and newspaper editor who was observing but not participating in the Congress because of his republic's independence declaration and boycott of the central legislature.

''We got another Gorbachev, a complete apparachik a la Gorbachev,'' Chekuolis said.

Deputy Alexei Kazannik went even further, saying Yanayev was ''far to the right of Gorbachev,'' but Gorbachev adviser Alexander Yakovlev disputed the assessment and described Yanayev as a ''moderate.''

Gorbachev, in his nominating speech, called Yanayev ''an appropriate person''

for the post. ''He is a man with firm principles, an active defender of and participant in perestroika,'' Gorbachev said.

The nomination of a Russian as vice president was a surprise partly because of the widespread belief that Gorbachev would choose an official from one of the other 14 republics to offset charges the central government was unsympathetic to ethnic minorities.

''Comrade Yanayev is an appropriate person to recommend for the position of vice president,'' Gorbachev said in his nomination speech. ''He is a man with firm principles, an active defender of and participant in perestroika.''

Yanayev said in his acceptance speech he ''supports the ideas of perestroika '' but he cautioned against a quick move to a market economy.

''We have no right to pursue an unpredictable, convulsive policy in a country with 300 million people," he said. ''If we accept a version of 'shock therapy' we could have tens of millions of unemployed already in the first year.''

Gorbachev, who said last week he was ready to nominate popular Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze for vice president before Shevardnadze resigned, was asked by Deputy Alexander Minzhurenko why he could now propose someone with ''diametrically opposite politics.''

Gorbachev countered that Yanayev, a member of the Supreme Soviet foreign affairs committee, had cooperated closely with Shevardnadze and added, ''their positions are practically, if not the same, then very close on the main issues of foreign and domestic policy.''

On Tuesday the Congress approved 19 of 36 constitutional amendments proposed by Gorbachev in his sweeping overhaul of the Soviet government structure.

The remaining amendments were approved Wednesday and the entire package was adopted as a whole on a 1,551-110 vote, with 83 abstentions, overcoming opposition from liberal deputies and Gorbachev's arch rival, Russian Federation leader Boris Yeltsin.

The change from the Council of Ministers to the Cabinet of Ministers leaves much less power for the prime minister, who had run the government's everyday affairs. Ryzhkov has faced widespread criticism for his cautious approach to economic reforms.

Ryzhkov, 61, sat through the first week and a half of the Congress looking tired and pale and did not speak.

Gorbachev told the conclave Wednesday that Ryzhkov had suffered the heart attack Tuesday night. He gave few details but said the prime minister's life was not in danger and wished him a speedy recovery.

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#90360u0703 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

PARAMARIBO, SURINAME (DEC. 26) UPI - The military government that seized power this week in a bloodless coup announced Wednesday it would name an interim Cabinet within the week and hold elections in 100 days.

A spokesman for the new military government said on national television that coup-leader Gen. Ivan Graanoogst, acting commander of the armed forces, would name a Cabinet within seven days.

The spokesman said the country's National Assembly had not been dissolved and that Graanoogst has every intention of working within the established parliamentary structure.

He also said the military government planned to hold elections in 100 days in the former Dutch colony.

On Monday, military forces led by Graanoogst took over the presidential house and claimed control of Suriname. The government apparently offered no resistance to Graanoogst's action and there was no bloodshed.

The coup overthrew the civilian government of President Rameswak Shankar, of the Hindu-backed Progressive Reform Party, who was elected by the National Assembly Jan. 12, 1988.

Graanoogst's spokesman said Shankar was sent home after the coup and told to remain calm and not create panic. He added that Shankar and his Cabinet were not under house arrest.

Activity in the capital continued as normal, with people crowding stores to take advantage of after-Christmas sales. All communication with Suriname was open and no curfews or limits on movement were imposed.

The Christmas eve ouster came one week after the head of the armed forces and former military ruler of Suriname, Desi Bouterse, resigned his post in protest over his temporary detention in Amsterdam.

Although Bouterse has not headed the government in 18 months, he has continued to exert a strong influence over developments in the country as chief of the armed forces.

Graanoogst's position remained unclear, but observers said he appeared to be acting in the interests of Bouterse.

Shankar's administration had replaced the military government led by the Bouterse, a Netherlands-trained lieutenant colonel who seized power Feb. 25,

1980, deposing the civilian regime of Prime Minister Henck Arron.

Bouterse's party lost an election for the National Assembly to an opposition coalition led by Shankar in November 1987.

Ongoing friction between the two men came to a head last week when Dutch police temporarily detained Bouterse in Amsterdam during an airline stop en route to Ghana, and Shankar, who was on the same plane, refused to intervene.

Bouterse subsequently resigned as chief of the armed forces in protest.

The tiny tropical nation, which gained its independence from the Netherlands Nov. 25, 1975, lies on the coast of South America's Atlantic shoulder, bordered by Guyana to the west, French Guiana to the east and Brazil to the south.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) UPI - By the year 2001, women will earn more doctorate degrees than men for the first time, there will be more high school graduates than the 1977 peak and the ranks of classroom teachers will swell, the Education Department projected Wednesday.

In a separate report, the American Council on Education said higher education enrollment increased during the 1980s, with the most growth found at community colleges.

The trends for the next 10 years are included in the Education Department's publication, ''Projections of Education Statistics to 2001. ''

''This should be very helpful for local school districts and colleges and universities for their planning purposes,'' said Assistant Education Secretary Christopher Cross.

For the federal government, ''The information will help us try and determine where the growth is and where our investment should be, for scholarships, student loans, etc.,'' Cross said.

A precedent expected to be set by 2001 is that women will earn more doctorate degrees than men, the department said.

In 1976, women earned 7,800 doctor's degrees, while men earned 26, 300, the department said. Trends now indicate the ratio will flip. By 2001, women are expected to earn 18,900 doctor's degrees, while men will earn just 17,300.

''There's more opportunity for them (women),'' Cross explained. ''Professions are opening up for them in math and science and there's a lot of encouragement

for them to enter these fields.''

David Merkowitz, spokesman for the American Council on Education, which represents colleges and universities, added, ''There is more of an impetus for women to go on and get graduate education because of the way the credential will open up an increasing number of job opportunities for them.''

However, the Education Department said men will continue to earn more professional degrees than women in such fields as medicine and law.

Higher education enrollment is expected to increase by about 1 million students by 2001 - from 13.4 million in 1989 to 14.4 million, mostly at public institutions, the department said.

The American Council on Education's survey also anticipated an increase, mostly at community colleges, based on 1980s data.

Increases in enrollment at community colleges between fall 1989 and fall 1990 ranged between 2 percent and 6 percent, compared with increases of 1 percent to 3 percent at four-year colleges and universities.

Community colleges are less expensive and offer occupational training courses that can lead to immediate employment, the council said.

Highlights of the Education Department's report for elementary and secondary grades:

-Total enrollment, now at 46.2 million, will continue to increase during the 1990s. By 1998, it is expected to reach 50.1 million but will decline after 1998 to 49.8 million in 2001.

-Enrollment will vary during the 1990s, with sizeable increases expected in New Mexico (39 percent), Arizona and New Hampshire (33 percent), Colorado and Florida (24 percent) and Georgia and New Jersey (22 percent). Decreases are expected in West Virginia (13 percent) and Washington, D.C. (10 percent).

-In the early 1990s, the number of high school graduates will decline, as it has almost steadily since the peak year of 1977, when nearly 3.2 million students graduated. But by 2001, the number is expected to be more than 3.2 million. Cross said this reflects the ''echo of the baby boom'' - children of baby boomers.

As for the teaching profession:

-There will be more public and private classroom teachers during the 1990s, from about 2.7 million in 1989 to 3.2 million in 2001. Cross attributed this to better teacher salaries and more people entering the field after cutbacks in the defense industry and other areas.

-By 2001, the average public school teacher will earn 16.8 percent more than in the 1990-91 school year. The national average currently is $33,300 annually.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 26) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Wednesday.

Butter: (92 score A) 96 1/2-98 1/4; (93 score AA) 97 1/4-98 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 94-97; large 90-96; medium 78-84.

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#90360u0726 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 26) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein says he's willing to talk about the Persian Gulf crisis as long as the Palestinian question is also included in the discussions. An Israeli newspaper reports Saddam would meet with U-S Secretary of State Baker on January 9th for high-level talks. The report could NOT be immediately confirmed. The talks, proposed by President Bush, have been delayed while Iraq and the United States argue over appropriate dates.

Two more U-S aircraft carriers head for the Persian Gulf this week as part of Operation Desert Shield. The Navy says the U-S-S America and the U-S-S Theodore Roosevelt and close to 16-thousand Atlantic Fleet personnel will leave Friday for the Gulf region. The crewmen deployed with the second wave of the U-S military buildup will come from ports all along the East Coast.

Israel today released the last three members of a Jewish underground. The settlers were sentenced in 1985 to life in prison for taking part in a three-year campaign of terror against Arabs in the occupied West bank. They were freed after serving only seven years. The three were convicted for the murders of three Arab students... the attempted assasination of two Arab mayors... and plans to blow up the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem, the third holiest site in Islam.

Nominations are possible from the floor today in Moscow as the Congress of People's Deputies work over a short list of candidates for the new post of vice president. It is all part of sweeping government reorganization proposed by Mikhail Gorbachev and approved by an overwhelming 15110 with 83 absentations. The changes give Gorbachev more control of the government,

placing a Cabinet and all government ministries under his direct control.

Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov is reported out of danger after suffering a heart attack. Government officials say the ''psychological pressure'' of critics was a contributing factor to Ryzhkov being hospitalized. He was sticken shortly after the Congress of People's Deputies adopted a resolution that dilutes some of his powers. It dismantles the Council of Ministers headed by the premier, replacing it with a smaller Cabinet of Ministers that reoports directly to President Mikhail Gorbachev.

Doctors in Mount Vernon, Missouri, have planned a news conference, after the death early this morning of Nancy Cruzan. The 33- year-old woman had been in a persistant vegetative state since a car accident in 1983. A three-year court battle ended earlier this month when a county probate judge agreed to the family request and allowed doctors to remove the tubes that had provided her with nourishment. Activist groups unsuccessfully tried to mount a last minute legal challenge to that order.

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(DEC. 26) UPI - U.S. and Australian navy boarding parties clashed Wednesday with the crew of an Iraqi cargo ship carrying a group of women on a self-declared relief mission, and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein insisted he is willing to ''discuss all issues'' once the Palestinian question is settled.

An Israeli newspaper reported Wednesday that Secretary of State James Baker would meet with Saddam in Baghdad on Jan. 9 for high-level talks that have been delayed while the two countries bicker over appropriate dates, but the State Department denied the report.

''There have been daily contacts with the Iraqis, but there has been no movement on their part for the choice of dates'' for a meeting between Baker and Saddam, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

Saddam himself appeared to rule out the reported compromise, saying in an interview on Mexican television that no date but the one he proposed - Jan. 12 - would be acceptable. The United States has said it wants the meeting held on Jan. 3.

President Bush first proposed the talks last month, saying he wanted to ''go the extra mile'' to avoid the use of military force threatened by the United States and its allies to reverse Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

Bush originally said the talks should be held by the Jan. 15 deadline set by the United Nations for an Iraqi withdrawal, but later insisted the Baghdad meeting take place in early January.

The State Department Wednesday ordered all non-essential U.S. personnel to leave Jordan and Sudan ''well before Jan. 15,'' citing ''unstable conditions'' and the growing threat to Americans in the Persian Gulf.

U.S. citizens were warned in previous travel advisories to leave Yemen, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and the eastern province of Saudi Arabia.

In other developments Wednesday, the Kremlin said all of the remaining 1,700 Soviet citizens in Iraq who wish to leave will be evacuated by Jan. 10, and a Palestine Liberation Organization official threatened terrorist attacks against U.S. targets worldwide in the event of war against Iraq.

''American interests in the world will be targetted and suicidal attacks will be launched in and outside the gulf and Palestine,'' said Zeid Wehbeh, PLO representative in Lebanon.

Wehbeh made the threat in an interview with the Lebanese communist- run Voice of the People radio station at the Ein El Helweh refugee camp on the outskirts of the southern port city of Sidon, 24 miles south of Beirut.

In the Persian Gulf off the coast of Oman, boarding parties from American and Australian warships forcibly stopped and boarded an Iraqi cargo ship Wednesday according to a U.S. military officials in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

Warning shots were fired after the ship's captain refused repeated orders to halt for an inspection, and the boarding parties used smoke grenades in a scuffle with crew members who tried to resist the inspection, Army Lt. Col. Greg Pepin said.

The ship, the Ibn Khaldoun, was carrying 153 Western and Arab women and children, who told reporters earlier they were brining medicine to the children of Iraq suffering under a U.N.-imposed economic embargo.

The embargo, ordered by the United Nations in an attempt to pressure Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, allows the shipment of medicine but prohibits food except in emergencies.

U.S. military officials said the boarding party discovered the ship was carrying tons of sugar in violation of the embargo and it was diverted from its intended port of Basra, Iraq.

Saddam, facing the Jan. 15 deadline to withdraw from Kuwait or be forced out by U.S.-led multinational troops in the region, was quoted Wednesday by the official Iraqi news agency INA as saying the Palestinian question would have to be on the agenda of any meeting he held on the gulf crisis.

''The Palestinian issue is our first priority,'' he said. ''We will liberate

Palestine, after that we will be ready to discuss all issues. This is our policy and we will not retract it.''

The United States and Iraq had agreed to hold high-level talks before Jan. 15, but with the clock ticking toward the crucial date, the two countries have failed to agree when the meetings will take place.

The Israeli newspaper Maariv, in a report based on sources in Washington, said Baker was planning to go to Baghdad Jan. 9, about midway between the Jan. 3 date Washington had proposed and the Jan. 12 date Baghdad had favored.

Saddam, in a speech reported by INA Tuesday, blamed the gulf crisis on American aggression and called for negotiations, but ignored demands he withdraw from Kuwait.

The Iraqi president has said in television interviews that he will not withdraw his troops from Kuwait by Jan. 15, only 20 days away. He invaded the oil-rich emirate on Aug. 2 and declared it as an historic part of Iraq.

Saddam has repeatedly tried to link his occupation of Kuwait with the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and the Gaza strip, but the United States and other nations allied against him have rejected such a connection.

However, the conservative pro-Western Gulf Cooperation Council, which includes Saudi Arabia, Oman, Qatar, Bahrain, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates, issued a joint call Tuesday for the withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait and a solution to the Palestinian problem.

The leaders of the countries said in the joint communique issued at the end of a summit in Qatar that the Palestinian problem remained the number one issue in the Arab world, despite the Gulf crisis.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 26) UPI - Iraq's fuel-air explosives, sometimes known as ''a poor man's nuclear weapons,'' are based partly on technology sold to Iraqi agents by Honeywell Inc., a major U.S. defense contractor, it was reported Wednesday.

The deadly explosives spread fuel - usually propane or ethylene oxide - through the air and then ignite the mixture in a blast that can cause 10 times the damage of conventional weapons.

The Los Angeles Times quoted Pentagon sources as saying they do not know if Baghdad has developed a dependable fuel-air warhead for missiles, which would be a major threat because superior American air power is expected to keep most Iraqi aircraft on the ground in the event of war.

Missiles, it said, would be harder to defend against.

Along with design data for a missile warhead armed with fuel-air explosives, a 300-page Honeywell study obtained by Iraq describes ways to inflict the maximum damage and listed the most vulnerable targets - personnel, air bases, planes, naval ports, oil refineries and ships, the Los Angeles Times said.

A Honeywell physicist who wrote the report and retired five months ago, said company insiders objected when the report was to be sold to a Swiss company claiming to represent Egypt. Ultimately, it was determined IFAT Corp. was acting on behalf of Iraq rather than Egypt, the Times said.

''That it could be aimed at our soldiers is my worst nightmare come true,'' said physicist Louis Lavoie.

Honeywell hired an outside law firm to conduct its own inquiry into whether the technology was transferred improperly. The Minneapolis company's chairman, James Renier, said information that Honeywell's technology was provided to Iraq, first reported by NBC news, was ''very disturbing.''

A preliminary Pentagon review determined that no laws were violated because the Honeywell material was not classified or restricted under export laws.

The Times said the report was sold to the Swiss firm for about $200, 000.

The study given to Iraq says the weapons are capable of ''100 percent fatalities across a wide area, with injuries decreasing to lung and eardrum damage in outlying areas.

Major structural damage to refineries, aircraft and ships was predicted for a large area, and a map of an airfield lists the potential damage to its various components.

The Times article centered on Honeywell and the fuel bombs, but the company's actions were apparently legal. It also cited a study by the Simon Wisenthal Center in Los Angeles that names 86 German firms and 18 American companies that have sold equipment to Iraq that could be used to develop nuclear, chemical and biological weapons.

Critics say the role played by Honeywell in Iraq's development of the fuel-air weapons illustrates a laxity in U.S. export controls.

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JERUSALEM (DEC. 26) UPI - Israel released Wednesday the last three members of a Jewish underground sentenced in 1985 to life in prison for participating in

a three-year campaign of terror against Arabs in the occupied West Bank.

Menachem Livni, Shaul Nir and Uzi Sharbaf, were freed after nearly seven years of incarceration, including time spent in jail after their 1984 arrests and during their yearlong trial.

The three originally were sentenced to life terms for the murders of three Arab students at the Islamic College in Hebron, the attempted assasination of the Arab mayors of the West bank cities of Nablus and Ramallah and plans to blow up the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem, the third holiest site in Islam.

The settlers' life sentences had been reduced three times in five years by President Chaim Herzog to 10 years of imprisonment. Two weeks ago, a judicial committee decided to further reduce their prison terms by one third and allow their release despite opposition from government prosecutors.

Menachem Livni, who reportedly led the 27-member Jewish terrorism underground, showed no signs of remorse upon his release from Ayalon prison, where he was greeted by jubilant Jewish settlers who threw candy at him.

''I am an innocent citizen who has fulfilled his obligations under extreme circumstances and worst of all was arrested and made a victim in prison,'' Livni said.

Israeli parliamentarian Yossi Sarid, member of the Citizens Rights Movement, condemned the release of the three settlers.

''This is a dark day for Israeli democracy,'' Sarid said. ''I have realized that in order to commit murder and get off free after only a short period, you ... have to wear a skull-cap, to become religious, to have an open door at the president's, to have friends in Parliament.''

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MADISON, WI (DEC. 26) UPI - Newly elected state Rep. Steve Nass was sworn into office Wednesday, three days before he leaves for duty in Saudi Arabia.

Naas, Republican of Whitewater, began his first term as state representative more than a week before his colleagues because he has been ordered to leave Friday to join his Wisconsin Air National Guard unit, the 128th Air Refueling Group, in Operation Desert Shield.

Naas was flanked by members of his family as he took the oath of office from County Circuit Judge James Carlson. The rest of the legislature will be sworn in Jan. 7.

A former payroll and benefits analyst with the Wisconsin Department of Health

and Social Services, Naas is a staff sergeant with the Air Guard and will be part of the ground crew maintaining hydraulics on tanker planes. He expects to be in the Middle East for three to six months.

Officials at the National Guard Bureau in Washington said they know of only two other elected state officials in the United States called for active duty in Operation Desert Shield.

Naas said he believes he can perform both jobs, as legislator and as National Guardsman. ''I will meet my obligation to my constituents while also meeting my obligation to my country,'' he said.

''I'll be in contact with my Madison office at least once a week, and will have access to a fax machine,'' he said.

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#90360u0848 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) UPI - The average yield on the federal government's two-year notes fell to 7.32 percent in the latest auction from 7.49 percent at the previous auction Nov. 27, the Treasury reported Wednesday.

The latest yield was the lowest since the 7.16 percent average at the Treasury's Feb. 24, 1988, auction.

Bids were accepted by the Treasury on a total of $12.51 billion of the notes offered in Wednesday's auction. Bids received totaled $38.88 billion.

Most of the bids accepted were from investors in the New York Federal Reserve District.

In addition, the Treasury sold another $750 million to Federal Reserve banks serving as agents for foreign monetary institutions and $900 million to government accounts and Federal Reserve banks for their own accounts in exchange for maturing securities.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 26) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Feb	77.00	77.65	76.95	77.57	76.78
Apr	76.60	76.93	76.55	76.90	76.45
Jun	74.60	75.03	74.60	74.95	74.50
Aug	73.10	73.38	73.10	73.30	72.85

Oct 73.10 73.40 73.00 73.00 72.75
Dec 74.00 74.30 74.00 74.00 73.60
Feb 74.45 74.45 74.00 74.00 74.25 Est. sales 11,721 contracts; Monday 4,485; open interest 69,925 up 293.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb
Jan 88.88 89.63 88.88 89.50 88.82
Mar 86.30 86.90 86.30 86.88 86.25
Apr 84.95 85.45 84.95 85.35 84.80
May 83.90 84.25 83.80 84.22 83.65
Aug 83.70 83.80 83.65 83.65 83.35
Sep 82.90 83.10 82.90 83.10 82.70
Oct 82.90 82.90 82.90 82.93 82.53
Nov 83.00 83.00 83.00 83.00 82.50 Est. sales 1,270 contracts; Monday 314; open interest 12,072 up 71.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 48.65 49.05 48.53 48.72 48.78
Apr 47.30 47.55 46.95 47.40 47.38
Jun 51.65 52.10 51.40 51.95 51.65
Jul 51.85 52.15 51.55 52.00 51.92
Aug 50.15 50.40 49.75 50.22 50.20
Oct 45.00 45.03 44.75 44.80 44.85
Dec 45.35 45.50 45.35 45.42 45.25 Est. sales 3,704 contracts; Monday 2,893; open interest 23,766 up 210.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb
Feb 63.90 65.25 63.80 64.80 64.20
Mar 63.60 64.90 63.60 64.40 63.75
May 64.40 65.20 63.95 65.15 64.18
Jul 64.20 65.10 63.90 64.60 63.75
Aug 62.10 63.10 62.00 62.75 62.03 Est. sales 2,741 contracts; Monday 1,793; open interest 12,320 up 14.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Wednesday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lb 129.51 unchanged, 700- 850 lb 128.69 unchanged; select 1-3 550-700 lb 119.36 up 6 cents, 700-850 lb 118.79 up 4 cents.

Pork carlot trading moderate; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins not well established; Boston butts weak to 1.00 lower; skinned hams steady to weak; seedless bellies mostly 1.00 higher; pork loins 18-22 lb 102.00; Boston butts 4-8 lb 79.00-84.00; hams 14-17 lb 72.00, 17-20 lb 68.50-70.00, 20-26 lb 69. 00; bellies 12-14 lb 59.00, 14-16 lb 59.00, 16-18 lb 54.00-55.00, 18-20 lb 51.00, 20-25 lb 45.00.

#90360u0858 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 26) UPI - The State Department denies reports that January 9th has been set as the date for meetings between Secretary of State Baker and Iraq's Saddam Hussein. Iraq continues demanding a January 12th date, one that Washington says is too close the the U-N's January 15th date for Iraq to leave Kuwait.

U-S interests around the world could become targets of suicide attackers if the Persian Gulf crisis becomes a shooting war. That warning is being made by P-L-O officials in Lebanon. And they are calling on Arabs to ''mobilize their forces'' for a possible outbreak of hostilities.

The Soviet Foreign Ministry says Moscow is evacuating all Soviet citizens from Iraq by January 10th if they want to leave. Spokesman Vitaly Churkin says 17-hundred Soviets remain in Iraq.

Churkin also said today that two high-level Soviet officials have left for Baghdad to discuss the evacuation and- quote- ''a variety of meetings'' in the Iraqi capital. Churkin did NOT say whether they would be meeting with Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein or if they would discuss the Persian Gulf standoff.

Politburo member Gennady Yanayev is the choice of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev to become his country's first vice president. The post is one Gorbachev has succeeded in creating as he gains more power. The nomination is expected to be approved later today.

Israeli soldiers shot and killed a 25-year-old Palestinian today after he stabbed and wounded three soldiers on patrol in the Israeli- occupied Gaza Strip. The attack is the latest in a series of stabbings against Israelis since October 8th, when Israeli police shot to death 17 Palestinians at the Temple Mount.

Iran's spiritual leader today ruled the death sentence issued last year against British author Salman Rushdie remains in force. The statement by Ayatollah Ali Khamenei comes two days after Rushdie renounced his novel ''The Satanic Verses,'' which many Moslems believe is blasphemous.

The Cook County Medical Examiner in Chicago, Robert Stein, says the body taken December 11th from a pauper's grave is NOT that of missing candy heiress Helen Vorhees Brach. But federal officials, who ordered the exhumation, are still waiting for results of their tests and they doN'T back the Stein ruling.

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#90360u0863 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (DEC. 26) UPI - Slovenia Wednesday declared itself an ''autonomous state'' in formalizing results of a weekend independence plebiscite a day before a crucial meeting between all of Yugoslavia's

political leaders on resolving the fate of the crisis-ridden multi-ethic federation.

Slovenian Assembly President France Bucar presented to a joint session of the three-chamber legislature the results of Sunday's plebiscite in which 88.5 percent of the republic's 1.46 million registered voters cast ballots empowering the nationalist government to declare independence.

''In the plebiscite a decision was taken that the Republic of Slovenia should become an autonomous state. In accordance with the law, on behalf of the delegates of all chambers of the Republic of Slovenia's Assembly, in front of the Slovenian, Yugoslav and world public, I solemnly declare that the Republic of Slovenia has become an autonomous state,'' Bucar said.

The immediate implications of his declaration were hazy, however, because Slovenian leaders have been emphasizing that they would opt for secession only if they fail in the next six months to obtain a new political arrangement under which the six-republic Yugoslav federation would become a loose confederation of independent states linked by a common market.

Slovenian President Milan Kucan reiterated the point, telling lawmakers in the capital of Ljubljana, 350 miles west of Belgrade, that they have six months in which to draft a new constitution and new guidelines on economic and political relations with the rest of the country.

Slovenia and Croatia are demanding confederation because of renewed historic fears of political and economic domination by the largest republic, Serbia, whose Communist government won re-election this month largely by fanning Serbian nationalism through its control of the media.

Croatia and Slovenia elected nationalist parties in April, ousting Communists in the first free elections held in Yugoslavia since the end of World War II in 1945.

Slovenia and Croatia, the most financially secure republics, also object to having to provide development funds to Serbia, which has resisted reforms and is believed to be close to bankruptcy.

Serbia's Marxist president, Slobodan Milosevic, wants to preserve the federal system and has refused invitations to negotiate a settlement to the dispute, which has fueled fears of a violent dissolution of the nation of 23 million or intervention by the Serbian-dominated, Communist-led military.

Milosevic has said he would only agree to confederation if Serbia's borders are enlarged to encompass Serbian-habitated areas now in other republics.

The leaders of all six republics and the Cabinet of federal Prime Minister Ante Markovic were summoned to a meeting in Belgrade Thursday by the country's

eight-man collective head of state to discuss the federation-confederation dispute.

Also to be reviewed was Markovic's year-old program of Western-style political and economic reforms, which the republic leaderships have been trying to undermine because it threatens to end the financial patronage system from which they derive much of their power.

Among other actions, the republics have violated provisions of the federal constitution, enacted measures that contradict federal statutes and flaunted economic directives of the central government that have accelerated inflation.

An official statement said that Markovic met Wednesday with the prime ministers of the republics, who were told that their governments must agree to observe federal government decisions until a new political arrangement for the country is worked out.

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#90360u0891 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) UPI - President Bush will interrupt his holiday stay at Camp David, Md., for a few hours of ''routine paperwork'' at the White House on Thursday, a spokesman said Wednesday.

Steve Hart, a White House deputy press secretary, said Bush will travel to Washington at 8 a.m. EST and return to the mountain retreat at 2 p.m.

Bush is returning to handle ''routine paperwork,'' Hart said.

The president flew to Camp David Friday where he met with British Prime Minister John Major. On Monday, Bush met with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Bush spent Christmas with his famly at Camp David and plans to stay there until New Year's Day.

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#90360u0901 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (DEC. 26) UPI - Asthma sufferers who find themselves wheezing and coughing might look to their toothpaste as a possible cause of their problems, two doctors said Wednesday.

An artificial mint flavoring found in a brand of toothpaste made from an opaque paste instead of a gel apparently triggered breathing problems in a 21-year-old woman with a history of asthma.

Even though the woman's chest X-rays were normal and she took various drugs

for six weeks, the woman had persistent asthma symptoms, including a dry cough according to a letter published in The New England Journal of Medicine.

Then, she switched toothpastes. She had been using Crest Tartar Control toothpaste, ''but when she switched to a gel-based toothpaste her wheezing resolved dramatically,'' wrote Drs. Bruce Spurlock and Thomas Dailey of Kaiser Permanente Medical Center in Santa Clara, Calif.

When the woman subsequently used any paste-based toothpaste, she started wheezing again within 10 minutes, they said.

After the Procter and Gamble Co. of Cincinatti, which makes Crest, provided Spurlock and Dailey with a list of ingredients in the paste and gel toothpastes, the doctors found the only ''absolute difference'' between the products was the type of artificial flavoring used.

The gel included a ''spice-blend flavoring'' while the paste had spice-mint or wintergreen flavoring, the doctors found.

The doctors also discovered that the woman began wheezing when she chewed gum containing wintergreen or peppermint flavoring.

Terry Glover, a spokeswoman for Procter and Gamble, said she was unaware of any other cases in which toothpaste apparently induced asthma symptoms.

But Spurlock and Dailey said doctors who treat patients with such symptoms, especially if they do not respond to drugs, should consider toothpaste exposure as a possible cause.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 26) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Mar	2.64 1/2	1.66	2.64 1/2	1.66	2.64 1/4
May	2.71 3/4	2.73	2.71 3/4	2.73	2.70 3/4
Jly	2.76 1/2	2.77	2.76	2.77	2.74 1/2
Sep	2.83	2.83 1/4	2.82 3/4	2.83 1/4	2.83
Dec	2.95	2.95	2.94 1/4	2.94 1/2	2.93
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Mar	2.34	2.35	2.33 1/4	2.35	2.33 1/4
May	2.41 1/2	2.42 3/4	2.41	2.42 3/4	2.41
Jly	2.47 3/4	2.49 1/2	2.47 3/4	2.49 1/4	2.47 1/2

Sep	2.49 1/2	2.50 3/4	2.49 1/4	2.50 3/4	2.48 3/4
Dec	2.50 1/4	2.52 1/4	2.50 1/4	2.52 1/4	2.50 1/4
Mar	2.56 3/4	2.58 1/2	2.56 3/4	2.58 1/4	2.57
May	2.61	2.62	2.61	2.62	2.61

Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Mar	1.13 1/2	1.15	1.12 3/4	1.14 3/4	1.12 1/2
May	1.19 3/4	1.20 1/2	1.18 3/4	1.20 1/2	1.18 1/4
Jly	1.25 1/4	1.26 1/2	1.24 1/2	1.26 1/2	1.24 1/4
Sep	1.30	1.31 1/4	1.30	1.31 1/4	1.29
Dec	....	....	....	1.39 3/4	1.37 1/2

Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)

Jan	5.67	5.67 3/4	5.64 3/4	5.66 1/2	5.62 1/4
Mar	5.80	5.83	5.80	5.82 1/2	5.77 3/4
May	5.95	5.97 1/2	5.95	5.96 1/2	5.92 1/4
Jly	6.09	6.12	6.09	6.10 3/4	6.06 1/4
Aug	6.15	6.15	6.12	6.13	6.09 1/4
Sep	6.12	6.12	6.09	6.09 1/4	6.10 3/4
Nov	6.13	6.14 1/2	6.12	6.12 1/4	6.10 3/4
Jan	....	....	....	6.23	6.22
Mar	6.37	6.37	6.36	6.36	6.33 1/2

Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)

Jan	20.82	21.00	20.82	20.94	20.77
Mar	21.25	21.41	21.25	21.34	21.18
May	21.70	21.78	21.67	21.70	21.56
Jul	21.99	22.02	21.92	21.92	21.83
Aug	21.95	22.00	21.85	21.85	21.70
Sep	21.95	22.00	21.80	21.80	21.65
Oct	....	....	....	21.95	21.75
Dec	21.95	21.95	21.90	21.90	21.70
Jan	....	....	....	21.62	21.35

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Jan	165.30	166.30	165.20	165.90	164.60
Mar	170.80	171.60	170.40	170.90	170.10
May	175.50	176.30	175.00	175.20	174.70
Jul	179.50	180.40	179.00	179.40	178.60
Aug	181.50	181.80	181.00	181.00	179.50
Sep	181.90	181.90	180.70	180.70	179.70
Oct	179.50	179.70	....	179.60	179.50
Dec	182.50	182.70	182.50	182.70	182.50
Jan	180.50	181.00	....	180.70	181.00

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NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Wednesday 12 to 23 points higher.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.66	9.90	9.65	9.90	9.67
May	9.74	9.94	9.73	9.93	9.76
Jly	9.80	10.00	9.80	10.00	9.80
Oct	9.80	10.00	9.80	9.98	9.83
Mar	9.97	9.97	9.97	9.97	9.85

Estimated sales: 10,107 contracts

Open interest: 107,407 up 56

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.86

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Wednesday unchanged to 7 points higher.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	22.35	22.40	22.35	22.36	22.36
May	22.47	22.49	22.47	22.49	22.47
Jly	22.61	22.61	22.60	22.61	22.58
Sep	22.58	22.59	22.58	22.59	22.58
Nov	22.55	....	....	22.60	22.58
Jan	....	....	....	22.69	22.69
Mar	....	....	....	22.70	22.63

Estimated sales: 106 contracts

Open interest: 12,547 up 468

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NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Wednesday:

Gold

London, Zurich and Hong Kong were closed for an extended holiday.

Paris	388.26	up 5.05
New York		
Comex spot close	385.60	up 3.10
Republic cash	384.50	up 3.00
Handy and Harman	384.25	up 0.50

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 385.50 up 0.45 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 404.83 up 0.53 per troy ounce.

Silver

Comex spot close	4.095	up 0.07

Republic cash 4.12 up 0.085

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.07 per fine ounce up 0.04.

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.08 up 0.05 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.366 up 0.054

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 410.50 off 7.50 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 510.50 off 7.50.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 87.75 off 1.75 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 102.75 off 1.75.

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#90360u0936 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 26) UPI - Grain and soybean futures were higher at the close Wednesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

The volume was relatively light following the Christmas break, and the activity was expected to remain quiet the rest of the week.

Weather conditions over much of the central United States were supportive. There was concern that sub-zero temperatures could damage the winter wheat crop where there is little snow cover.

Soybean meal was firm on the probability that farmers will have to supplement the rations of their livestock because of the cold weather.

Soybeans rallied on short-covering in the wake of contract lows Monday. Additional support came on news that U.S. and Soviet officials will meet again Jan. 4 to discuss terms of the credit package to the USSR.

Grain futures were higher on spillover from the firm tone in the soybean complex and hopes of near-term export business.

Taiwan was in the market for a small amount of corn and Morocco and Algeria were expected to bid for wheat in the next few days.

Country movement was light and interior and Gulf basis levels were steady.

At the close, corn was up 1 to 2, soybeans up 1 1/2 to 4 3/4, wheat up 1/4 to 2 1/2 and oats up 2 1/4 cents across the board.

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(DEC. 26) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE
By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Higher in light trading.

Bonds - Higher.

American Stocks - Higher in dull trading.

London Stocks - Closed for Boxing Day holiday.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed slightly higher in thin trading.

Dollar - Slightly lower against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Higher.

Cotton - Higher.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed up 1 to 2, soybeans up 1 1/2 to 4 3/4, wheat up 1/4 to 2 1/2 and oats up 2 1/4 cents across the board.

Cattle trade - Steers and heifers fully $1 lower; top $81.00.

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#90360u0944 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	385.94	235.87	144.57	23.78	329.90
Opening	386.64	236.06	144.70	23.80	330.43
11 a.m.	386.48	236.42	144.81	23.81	330.37
Noon	386.96	237.02	144.87	23.84	330.76
1 p.m.	387.16	236.84	144.79	23.87	330.89
2 p.m.	387.73	236.75	145.05	23.95	331.43
3 p.m.	387.41	236.51	144.91	23.91	331.13

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#90360u0979 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 26) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein reportedly says he'll NEVER allow members of Kuwait's former ruling Al Sabah family to control the oil-rich emirate again. Cairo radio quotes Saddam as saying in an interview

with Mexican television that the ruling family will only be allowed back into Kuwait when they have died and are ready to be buried.

Saddam also reportedly says in the interview that the January 12th date he had picked for a meeting in Baghdad with U-S Secretary of State Baker can NOT be changed. The United States has rejected the date as falling too close to the January 15th deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait or be forced out by military action. Another report has Saddam saying he'll meet with Baker on January 9th. But the State Department in Washington denies the report.

In another development, U-S and Australian naval personnel raided an Iraqi ship loaded with sugar off the coast of Oman. The Navy says the vessel was intercepted after its captain refused orders to halt for an inspection. The ship carrying a group of women and children on a self- declared relief mission was supposed to have been taking medicine to the needy children of Iraq.

Mikhail Gorbachev continues winning approval of his efforts to consolidate more power within the Soviet Union. The Congress of People's Deputies yesterday accepted 19 of the 36 constitutional amendments he wants. One sets up the new post of vice president. Another takes more power away from the office of prime minister. The current holder of that job, Nikolai Ryzhkov, suffered a heart attack yesterday but his life is NOT said to be in danger. Ryzhkov had been criticized recently for a cautious approach on the economic reforms that Gorbachev wants.

Senior Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping ended his five-month public absence today... quelling reports he had NOT recovered from a serious illness last fall. The 86-year-old patriarch reportedly appeared at his local polling place inside the walled leadership compound in Beijing to cast his ballot in local elections. Deng gave up his last official post early this year and has repeatedly expressed his wish to step back and let younger leaders take center stage.

The former king of Romania spent less than 12 hours yesterday in the homeland he has NOT visited since 1947. Than he was expelled by the new government, along with his queen and his daughter. All three were put aboard a military flight to Switzerland after the Romanian government decided they shouldN'T have been allowed back into the country in the first place.

The family of 33-year-old Nancy Cruzan issued a statement this morning just hours after her death in Missouri. They thanked all of those who supported them in what became a lengthy court battle during the almost eight years she remained in a vegetative state following a 1983 automobile accident. A Missouri court finally agreed earlier this month with her parents and gave doctors the right to disconnect feeding tubes. But opponents to that court ruling expressed disappointment at her death and bitterness toward her family.

New Year's revelers who have more than they need to drink this year are going

to wake up with more than a hangover. They will face the prospects of paying higher federal taxes when they replace whatever it was they drank to usher the new year in. Excise taxes on a six-pack of beer double to 32 cents and they go up 16 cents on a fifth of 80 proof liquor to two dollars 16 cents. Wine lovers will pay an even higher percentage increase as the current three cent tax on a bottle of wine jumps to 21 cents.

Folks in the Midwest shivered today under temperatures as cold as 29 below zero. It took just 15 minutes for International Falls, Minnesota, to tie a record of minus 29 degrees. Along the East coast, the Christmas cold front continued while strong southwesterly winds brought clouds to the South as temperatures rose into the 40s. The freeze danger is over in Southern California but temperatures remain cool. And Florida is boasting the balmiest temperatures.

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(DEC. 26) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $11 higher to $3 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 1.50 cent to 2.00 cents a pound lower for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.15 to 1.05 cent a pound higher for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - unchanged to 0.68 cent a pound higher for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $3.10 to $3.80 an ounce higher for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $0.20 to $1.50 an ounce higher for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 1.70 cent to 2.05 cents a pound higher for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 7 to 7.7 cents an ounce higher for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.012 to 0.023 cent a pound higher for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90360u1014 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (DEC. 26) UPI - Two Marine reservists who refused active duty in Operation Desert Shield due to moral and ethical objections surrendered to military authorities Wednesday to face possible charges of

desertion.

A federal warrant was issued for James E. Summers, 20, and Demetrio R. Perez, 21, after they refused to report Nov. 29 with the rest of their unit, Company B of the 4th Assault Division, when it left for Camp LeJeune, N.C., for training pre-deployment to the Persian Gulf.

''We see going to Saudi Arabia as supporting a war machine,'' the two said in a statement. ''We oppose war in any form. This action would conflict with our religious, moral and ethical beliefs. We cannot participate in the exchange of body bags for cheaper oil prices.''

They surrendered at the Mayport Naval Air Station about 1:30 p.m. and were transferred to Camp LeJeune. Their applications for conscientious objector status were accepted and they were expected to be given a hearing within the next few weeks.

They said they decided to surrender after Marine officials told them they could not be considered for conscientious objector status until they reported for duty. Each faces a maximum jail term of five years.

Marines seeking to be classified as conscientious objectors are interviewed by a member of the clergy, a psychiatrist and an investigating officer.

The Marine Corps then decides whether they should receive a dishonorable discharge or assigned non-combatant duties, or be punished for being AWOL and then sent to Saudi Arabia. Lawyer Ellis Rubin, who is representing the two longtime best friends, said they would refuse a transfer to the Middle East.

''They will not go under any circumstances, and then they would be jailed for desertion and there would be a trial,'' he said.

Perez and and Summers are roommates and students at Santa Fe Community College in Gainesville.

They went to high school together in Homestead and were recruited after graduation.

Summers' conscientious objector application said he was promised 30 hours of credit for his reserve training, but only received four hours.

It said that when he went to Parris Island, S.C., for boot camp, he was offended by the constant use of derogatory terms such as ''commie'' and ''raghead.''

''That's when I realized that the Marines did not value human life like I did '' he wrote. ''I was looking at people as individuals and the Marine Corps was looking at us as 'bodies' and 'war machines.'''

Perez' application says he was prevented from joining an Amish- Mennonite church in Sarasota because he is a Marine. He called warfare ''the most greivous sin against God.''

''Basic warrior training exposed me to darkness, death, killing and the reality of war,'' he wrote. ''This is when I realized that my conscience would not allow me to participate or be in any war.''

The fact that both men enlisted in the Marine reserves should have no bearing on their applications, Rubin said.

''There is a sentence in the enlistment papers you sign that says you don't have any objection to war, but case law shows there are some recruits who become acquainted with the Marine Corps after they get in and then learn what war and life is about and they don't want it from a moral or ethical standpoint,'' Rubin said.

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#90360u1035 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 26) UPI - Wednesday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.46-2.51 up 1 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.63 1/2- 5.66 1/2 up 5 1/4 to off 6 1/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.25-2.30 up 1 3/4 to off 3 3/4.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.39-2.39 1/2 up 1 3/4 to off 2 1/4.

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#90360u1050 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

UPI - Two wild cards and some jokers played important roles in shaping the NFL's 71st season.

Paul Tagliabue, in his first full year as commissioner, established his presence quickly in 1990 by approving an expanded playoff format and adding a week to the regular season, eliminating the traditional two- week gap between the conference title games and silver anniversary Super Bowl scheduled for Tampa Stadium Jan. 27, 1991.

Beginning in 1992, the regular season will be stretched over 18 weeks, with

each of the 28 clubs receiving two weeks off.

One additional wild card playoff team was added in each conference, ensuring 12 clubs in postseason play. One division winner in each conference will be forced to meet a wild card qualifier in an opening- round game, eliminating a bye week for the AFC and NFC division champions with the worst record.

''We expect the two new first-round playoff games to create added competition and excitement around the league,'' said Tagliabue. ''This new schedule format allows us to expand our share of the annual sports calendar. Television revenue was an obvious factor, but we also are sensitive to possible overexposure of our sport.''

The networks and cable television obviously don't share Tagliabue's concern, forking over an estimated $3.6 billion to bring the NFL into our living rooms for the next four years. Each NFL franchise opened the 1990 season with $26 million already in the register, thanks to the largesse of ABC, CBS, NBC, TBS and ESPN.

The Super Bowl hype may be reduced next month without the two-week buildup, but the game will assuredly be more competitive than the debacle in New Orleans 11 months ago. The San Francisco 49ers built a 27-3 halftime bulge and cruised past Denver 55-10 for their fourth NFL title in nine years. Joe Montana threw for 297 yards and five touchdowns to earn his third Super Bowl MVP trophy as Coach George Seifert led the 49ers to a repeat championship in his first season succeeding Bill Walsh.

Tagliabue reacted forcefully after Arizona voters rejected a proposal to make a holiday of Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, recommending the 1993 Super Bowl be pulled from Phoenix. Approximately 60 percent of the NFL's players are black, but there are no black owners or general managers and only one black coach, Art Shell of the Raiders.

''I can't imagine that people won't go along with the commissioner,'' said Norman Braman, owner of the Philadelphia Eagles and head of the Super Bowl site selection committee. ''I think it would be an affront to our public and our players if the game is played in Phoenix.''

New England owner Victor Kiam suffered through a regrettable campaign as the Patriots saved their offensiveness for the locker room. In an incident that may prompt changes in locker room policies, Boston Herald reporter Lisa Olson alleged several Patriot players sexually harassed her Sept. 17 while she was attempting to interview cornerback Maurice Hurst.

Ten weeks later, a 60-page report prepared by Harvard Law School professor Philip Heymann concluded Olson was, ''degraded and humiliated, '' in a tawdry locker room episode that led Tagliabue to fine tight end Zeke Mowatt $12,500 and two other players $5,000 apiece. The Patriots were fined $50,000 for not

handling the incident properly and Kiam's image took a beating despite hiring a public relations firm to minimize the public damage.

Cincinnati Coach Sam Wyche soon added a clown's touch to the circus atmosphere by barring a female reporter from his club's locker room, claiming he was protecting the privacy interests of his players and their wives. Wyche was fined almost $28,000 for his antics and Bengals quarterback Boomer Esiason moaned about injustice ... NFL style.

''It was kind of like Sam is being charged with murder when all he's committed is a misdemeanor,'' said Esiason.

Wyche atypically refrained from public criticism.

''I'm not going to say anything,'' he said. ''I'm waiting for the book to come out.''

Despite a dismal ground game, San Francisco has remained the league's dominant franchise during the 1990 regular season. The 49ers won their first 10 games and edged the New York Giants 7-3 in a Dec. 3 matchup of 10-1 clubs. Chicago resumed its traditional spot atop the NFC Central Division behind versatile running back Neal Anderson and a revived defense sparked by rookie safety Mark Carrier.

In the AFC, Buffalo answered its September skeptics by developing into an Eastern Division juggernaut. Quarterback Jim Kelly and running back Thurman Thomas triggered the league's highest-scoring attack and defensive end Bruce Smith threatened the NFL sack record of 22 set by Mark Gastineau in 1984. Second-year linebacker Derrick Thomas sparked Kansas City's surge in the West while the Central Division featured a three-way scramble between Cincinnati, Pittsburgh and Houston.

The Dolphins and Raiders enjoyed surprising AFC success while the Patriots, Browns and Broncos faded. The NFC's most startling comeback story was written in Dallas, where the Cowboys hardly resembled last year's 1-15 disaster. NFC disappointments included Minnesota, the Rams and the Falcons.

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#90360u1052 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA (DEC. 26) UPI - U.S. military leaders now believe Iraqi troops are too deeply dug into Kuwait to withdraw before Jan. 15 and will most likely have to be removed by force, an intelligence officer with the U.S. Central Command said Wednesday.

Lt. Col. Tom Coury also told reporters at a briefing that if Iraqi President Saddam Hussein feels completely cornered, odds are he will launch a ''provocation'' against Israel in an attempt to peel Arab countries from the

28-nation coalition aligned against him.

''We presently assess that Saddam Hussein intends to remain in Kuwait for the long haul,'' said Coury, an intelligence officer on the staff of Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, commander of all U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf. ''He continues to pour both men and materiel into the country.''

Asked if that means Iraq will have to be forced out of Kuwait, Coury responded ''Well, it's looking in that direction.''

Coury, speaking at the first of a series of weekly military briefings by the U.S. Central Command in Riyadh, said Iraq has strongly fortified its position in Kuwait and has pulled troops from the Iranian border to reinforce its western flank.

In Washington, a Pentagon spokesman said Iraqi forces launched another surface-to-surface ballistic missile Wednesday. He said it took off from Iraq and landed within Iraq and ''appeared to be part of additional testing or training'' for Iraqi forces.

About two weeks ago published reports said the Pentagon's network of spy satellites failed to spot preparations for the launch of several short range Scud missiles until the liquid-fueled motors were ignited, giving forces within Saudi Arabia just minutes of warning that rockets were being launched. Those missiles were not fired toward Saudi Arabia and also landed within Iraq.

Coury said at the Riyadh briefing the Kuwait border with Saudi Arabia has been seeded with minefields, barbed wire, trenches, mortars and anti-aircraft artillery, including Scud-B surface-to-air missiles.

He said the Iraqi Air Force's Russian-made MiG-29 Fulcrum fighter jets with ''look-down, shoot-down, all aspects capability'' present the greatest threat to U.S. and allied forces, but can still be defended against. French-made Mirage F-1 jet armed with Exocet missiles can perform strikes on shipping and gulf oil facilities, he added.

''While Iraq has a large and relatively capable air force, they are no match for the combined strength of coalition air power,'' Coury said.

The briefing on intelligence data came in the wake of mixed signals from Washington and commanders in Saudi Arabia on whether U.S. forces will be ready to fight a war in mid-January, when the United Nations has said force may be used to oust Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

During a five-day trip to meet Schwarzkopf and review the troops in Saudi Arabia, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney sought to convey the impression that the United States is ready to launch a massive attack against Iraq if Saddam does not withdraw.

But Schwarzkopf's deputy, Lt. Gen. Calvin Waller, said that many of the troops that arrive in Saudi Arabia by Jan. 15 will not be ready to fight for at least another month. The briefing Wednesday night included Maj. Gen. J. Dane Starling, the logistical chief for Operation Desert Shield, who said the 430,000 U.S. troops expected by mid-January will have all the supplies, food and ammunition they need, but he would not say whether they would all be ready for combat. About 300,000 U.S. troops are already in the gulf region.

Coury said Saddam's continued threats to attack Tel Aviv, Israel's most populous city, should be taken seriously.

''As a last resort if he feels war is inevitable, he could initiate open conflict, which may include a provocation with Israel in an attempt to decouple coalition forces,'' Coury said. The intelligence officer said there had been ''discussions'' about how that would affect Saudi Arabia's resolve and whether it would leave U.S. troops marooned in the desert kingdom, but would not elaborate.

Coury said Saddam ''miscalculated'' in invading Kuwait, and did not expect a strong U.S. response. ''For the immediate future we believe he will attempt to avoid conflicts and attempt to erode both U.S. public support and allied cooperation,'' he said.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Money Rates Wednesday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 6.50

Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 9.75

60 to 89 days 8.50

90 to 119 days 8.25

120 to 149 days 7.90

150 to 179 days 7.80

180 to 270 days 7.52

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 9.25 - 7.75

Issuers 30 days 7.88

Issuers 90 days 7.41

Issuers 270 days 6.73

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 9.90

60 to 89 days 9.20

90 to 119 days 8.45

120 to 149 days 8.25

150 to 179 days 8.10

180 days 8.10

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 6.75 - 7.25

1 month 9.875 - 10.00

3 month 8.375 - 8.625

6 month 7.875 - 8.25

Year 7.75 - 8.00

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 6.49 - 6.47

6 months 6.58 - 6.56

Year 6.52 - 6.50

Federal Funds: High 7 1/4, Low 6 1/2, Close 7

Telerate Interest Rate Index Wednesday: 7. 764 up 0.140.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90360u1082 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - The dollar slipped almost across the board in thin post-holiday currency trading Wednesday, as Persian Gulf developments lent it no fresh support and fears of a Soviet political crisis diminished.

Currency traders in New York said holiday quiet calmed investors who scrambled to buy the U.S. unit last week after Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze gave his boss, President Mikhail Gorbachev, notice he was quitting.

The dollar's price slipped down from the heights it reached Monday, when such political doubts combined with a thin market to lift it. Soviet instability is seen as casting a shadow over Germany's economy and currency.

Harris Bank currency adviser Terri Reid reported ''a slightly more favorable attitude that things could stabilize for the U.S.S.R.'' after the Soviet Congress's decision to grant Gorbachev wider executive powers.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.5360 German marks, down from 1.5450 marks Monday, and at 136.20 Japanese yen, up from 136.10.

Chemical Bank trader Radhika Rajan said it was very possible the dollar would lose its current premium when full market liquidity returned. ''All this might be just a lot of year-end (position) covering,'' she said.

The British pound rose to $1.8815 from $1.8675.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3125 Swiss francs, down from 1.3150; 5.2125 French francs, down from 5.2470; and 1,155 Italian lire, down from 1,161.

The main European exchanges closed for post-Christmas observations ranging from Britain's Boxing Day to Italy's Feast of St. Stephen.

In Frankfurt, the last price at which the dollar was traded Friday was 1.5205 German marks. In Zurich, the dollar stood at Monday's 1.3185 Swiss francs.

In London, the dollar was at its Monday close of $1.8740.

In Paris, Brussels and Milan, the dollar was left at 5.1620 French francs, 31.90 Belgian francs and 1,159.40 Italian lire, respectively.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar rose on continued jitters about the Soviet Union and about Mideast war risks, closing at 136.25 yen vs. 135. 95 Monday.

''The dollar kept its strength on the Shevardnadze resignation shock and the upcoming Jan. 15 deadline for the Middle East problem,'' said Katsunobu Motohashi, currency manager at Yasuda Trust & Banking Co.

Dollar purchases by importers contributed to the U.S. unit's rise. But volume was extremely light because of the holidays overseas.

In Zurich, gold stood at $383.50 an ounce. London gold held at $383. 50 an ounce when trading halted before the holidays.

The price of silver in both Zurich and London was $4.06 an ounce.

On U.S. commodities markets, Republic National Bank in New York closed cash gold Wednesday at $384.50 an ounce, up from $381.50 Friday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled gold at $385.60 an ounce, up from $382.50.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.12 an ounce, up from $4.035 Friday. The Comex closed silver at $4.095 an ounce, up from $4.025.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Wed	Mon	Wed	Mon
Argntn austral	.000205	.000205	4880.00	4880.00
Australia dlr	.7734	.7745	1.2930	1.2912
Austria schill	.0935	.0935	10.70	10.70
Belgium franc-c	.0314	.0314	31.85	31.85
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0063	.0064	157.63	156.85
Britain pound	1.8810	1.8670	.5316	.5356
Britain 1-mo	1.8577	1.8577	.5383	.5383
Britain 3-mo	1.8403	1.8403	.5434	.5434
Britain 6-mo	1.8180	1.8180	.5501	.5501
Canada dollar	.8627	.8623	1.1592	1.1597

Canada 1-mo	.8602	.8602	1.1625	1.1625
Canada 3-mo	.8551	.8551	1.1695	1.1695
Canada 6-mo	.8474	.8474	1.1801	1.1801
Chile peso-f	.003068	.003072	325.91	325.48
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001926	.001926	519.19	519.19
Denmark krne	.1703	.1703	5.8725	5.8725
Ecudr sucre-z	.001146	.001146	872.63	872.63
Egypt pound	.3526	.3527	2.8357	2.8353
Finlnd mrkka	.2717	.2717	3.6800	3.6800
France franc	.1920	.1906	5.2075	5.2460
France 1-mo	.1904	.1904	5.2530	5.2530
France 3-mo	.1900	.1900	5.2630	5.2630
France 6-mo	.1882	.1882	5.3140	5.3140
Greece drach	.006365	.006328	157.11	158.03
Hollnd guildr	.5782	.5780	1.7295	1.7300
HongKong dlr	.1281	.1281	7.8045	7.8045
India rupee	.0553	.0553	18.09	18.07
Indo'sa rupia	.000532	.000532	1880.00	1880.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7365	1.7280	0.5759	0.5787
Israel shekel	.4931	.4985	2.0280	2.0060
Italy lira	.000865	.000861	1155.50	1162.00
Japan yen	.007348	.007358	136.10	135.90
Japan 1-mo	.007349	.007396	136.08	135.20
Japan 3-mo	.007349	.007485	136.07	133.60
Japan 6-mo	.007349	.007570	136.08	132.10
Jordan dinar	1.5368	1.5368	.6507	.6507
Kuwait dinar	3.4247	3.4247	0.2920	0.2920
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000341	.000341	2929.00	2930.00
N.Zealand dlr	.5860	.5855	1.7065	1.7079
Norway krne	.1664	.1664	6.0100	6.0100
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	492,500	492,500
P'pnes peso-z	.0365	.0365	27.41	27.41
Portugl escud	.007395	.007365	135.22	135.77
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5718	.5737	1.7490	1.7430
S.Africa rand	.3905	.3886	2.5610	2.5735
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010277	.010199	97.30	98.05
Sweden krona	.1748	.1748	5.7220	5.7220
Switzrl franc	.7637	.7634	1.3095	1.3100
Switzrl 1-mo	.7584	.7628	1.3185	1.3110
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7432	.7620	1.3455	1.3124
Switzrl 6-mo	.7239	.7593	1.3815	1.3170

Taiwan dollar	.0375	.0376	26.64	26.62
Turkey lira	.000341	.000347	2930.00	2885.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6632	3.6632
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0201	.0201	49.74	49.84
Germany mark	.6517	.6481	1.5345	1.5430
Germany 1-mo	.6462	.6474	1.5475	1.5446
Germany 3-mo	.6268	.6455	1.5955	1.5493
Germany 6-mo	.6425	.6425	1.5564	1.5564
Yugosl dinar	.0951	.0962	10.51	10.39

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90360u1088 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	67 3-8	up	1-4
AT&T Company	30 1-8	off	1-8
BCE Inc	33 7-8	off	1-8
Bell Atlantic	55 3-8	unch	
BellSouth Corp	54 7-8	unch	
Exxon Corp	52	up	3-4
Ford Motor Co	26 3-4	up	3-8
Genl Electric	57 3-8	off	1-4
General Motors	34 7-8	up	1-8
GTE Corp	29 3-4	up	3-8
IBM Corp	113 5-8	off	1-4
Mobil Oil Corp	58 1-4	up	1 1-8
Nynex Corp	71 5-8	unch	
Pac Gas & Elec	25 1-4	unch	
Pacific Telesis	45 7-8	up	1-4
Phila Electric	18	up	1-8
Sears Roebuck	25 7-8	up	3-8
Southern Co	27 7-8	up	3-8
Sthwestern Bell	56 3-8	unch	
US West Inc	39	up	1-8

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#90360u1093 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

LYON, FRANCE (DEC. 26) UPI - Garry Kasparov retained his world chess championship title Wednesday by playing to a draw with challenger Anatoly

Karpov in the 22nd match of the 24-game series.

The draw gave the 27-year-old Kasparov the 12 points needed against 10 for Karpov in the series.

In recapturing the title, Kasparov wins $1.7 million of the $3 million in total prize money.

Kasparov, 27, began play at Lyon's Palais des Congres convention center with the advantage of the white pieces and the first move. He had never lost in the series playing whites.

Karpov's hopes were dashed when, playing whites in the 20th match, he was forced to accept a draw after 86 moves last Thursday. The half-point from the draw gave Kasparov 11.5 points, just a half-point short of the 12 points needed to retain the championship.

Karpov needed an improbable three consecutive victories to win the crown.

The battle between the two Soviet grandmasters was one of the classics in the game in the last decade.

The two Ks have been at the pinnacle of chess since they first met for the title in 1984. Under previous rules, requiring a victor to win six matches outright, the pair played 48 times before chess authorities called off the series, leaving defending titleholder Karpov with his crown.

The pair met again in 1985 under new rules, and Kasparov won 13-11. In 1986 Kasparov repeated the feat, and he fought back from the brink of defeat in 1987 to defend the title against Karpov one more time.

The first 12 matches in the current series in New York resulted in a score of 6-6, and the series then moved to Lyon. The turning point appeared to have come in the 16th match, after eight straight draws, in which Kasparov prevailed after 102 moves. The 12-hour game played over three days was the fourth longest in chess championship history.

A controversy erupted after the match when critics claimed that Kasparov used his rest time to analyze possibilities with a computer. The champion denied the charge.

Karpov came back to win the next game. But Kasparov, despite needing only a 12-12 score to retain his title, came back in spectacular fashion. He won the 18th match after 57 moves and the 20th after 41 moves to build his current margin.

Karpov, 39, fought desperately in the 21st match for a victory, refusing to accept an apparent draw after 51 moves. But by the 86th move, Kasparov's

manuvers forced the challenger to accept the draw.

Karpov took his final ''time out'' on Saturday to gain additional time to work on his strategy. The series was to have resumed Monday, but chess federation officials postponed the match because of Christmas.

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#90360u1102 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) UPI - Iraqi forces launched another surface-to-surface ballistic missile Wednesday, Pentagon officials said, and sources said the flight path did not threaten coalition forces.

Lt. Col. Stu Wagner, a Pentagon spokesman, said the missile took off from Iraq and landed within Iraq and ''appeared to be part of additional testing or training'' for Iraqi forces.

He declined to say whether the launch and preparations for the launch were spotted ahead of the actual missile ignition and would not discuss whether U.S. forces were placed on a higher alert status as a result of the launch from an unspecified location within Iraq.

Wagner declined to discuss where the missile was launched from. Defense sources said, however, its trajectory was from east to west.

About two weeks ago, published reports said the Pentagon's network of spy satellites failed to spot preparations for the launch of several short-range SCUD missiles until the liquid-fueled motors were ignited, giving forces within Saudi Arabia just minutes of warning that rockets were being launched. Those missiles were not fired toward Saudi Arabia and also landed within Iraq.

At a briefing in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, headquarters of the U.S. Central Command, which is running operation Desert Shield, Air Force Lt. Col. Tom Courey, a senior official on the command's intelligence staff, gave a rundown of Iraqi missile strengths.

''Iraq ... has a potent short-range ballistic missile capability. Currently, Iraq has three short-range ballistic missile variants: the SCUD-B and the indigenously produced Al-Hussein and Al-Abbas. All of Iraq's fixed SRBM launchers are west of Baghdad, but they also have a number of mobile transporter erector launchers that can be dispersed throughout Iraq and the Kuwaiti theatre,'' said Coury.

The missiles have the ability to hurl conventional and chemical warheads several hundred kilometers, meaning some major Saudi civilian population centers and concentrations of U.S. and allied troops are within range of missiles launched from southern Iraq or Kuwait.

Wagner said he could not discuss how the missile launch was spotted: it could have been seen by satellite or by radar surviellance planes flying near a border area or even detected by electronic eavesdropping. And he could not discuss what variety of Iraqi missile was launched.

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#90360u1105 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2637.13	up	15.84
20 Trans	922.23	up	1.32
15 Utils	211.33	up	0.63
65 Stocks	925.69	up	3.96

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#90360u1106 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages:

	30 Indus			20 Trans			15 Utils		
Wednesday	2637.13	up	15.84	922.23	up	1.32	211. 33	up	0.63
Monday	2621.29	off	12.37	920.91	off	3.00	210.70	off	0.69
Week ago	2626.73	unchanged		916.98	up	9.93	211.58	up	0.50
Month ago	2535.15	off	8.66	831.18	off	7.95	209. 26	up	0.13
Year ago	2724.40	up	15.14	1172.30	up	4.45	234. 78	up	0.69
1990 High	2999.75			1212.77			236.23		
1990 Low	2365.10			821.93			190.96		
1989 High	2791.41			1532.01			235.98		
1989 Low	2144.64			887.94			181.84		

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#90360u1111 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 26) UPI - A self-declared Iraqi ''mercy'' ship is under armed escort after being boarded by U-S and Australian sailors earlier in the day. They were transported to the cargo vessel by helicopter after the ship refused to let an inspection party go aboard. The sailors found 253 women and children on the vessel, along with tons of sugar banned under the U-N's economic embargo of Iraq. The ship will be allowed to sail to any neutral port the captain requests.

Israel today released the last three members of the Jewish underground who were sentenced to life prison terms in 1985 for a three- year campaign of terror against Arabs in the occupied West Bank. The three served nearly seven years. Israeli parliamentarian Yossi Sarid condemned the release of the three settlers, calling the move ''a dark day for Israeli democracy.''

Also today, Israeli soldiers shot to death a 25-year-old Palestinian after he stabbed and wounded three soldiers on patrol in the occupied Gaza Strip. Two of the soldiers are in serious condition and the third received light wounds. Today's attack is the latest in a series of stabbings against Israelis following the Temple Mount slayings in October, when Israeli police shot and killed at least 17 Palestinians.

African National Congress President Oliver Tambo will visit the place where he was born 73 years ago, the first time he's been allowed to do that since 1960. That was the year Tambo fled South Africa just one step ahead of authorities who wanted to arrest him for his anti-apartheid activities. Tambo ended 30 years of exile on December 13th.

Last night's opening of the movie ''Godfather III'' proved to be more realistic than anyone in a suburban New York City theater wanted. Four movie goers were injured when they were caught in a shooting match between two groups of men arguing over loud talking in the theater. Two teenagers are in ''critical'' condition with head wounds. A married couple is listed in ''stable'' condition.

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#90360u1115 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks - 7,970,000 shares
1990 to date - 3,292,165,805
Bonds - $3,000,000
1990 to date - $756,318,000

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#90360u1128 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - New York Stock Exchange bond sales:

Wednesday - $29,370,000
1990 to date - $10,805,650,000

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#90360u1130 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Wednesday:

High 305.01, low 304.23, close 304.99, up 0.40.

There was a gain of 2 cents in the average share price.

Volume 7,970,000 shares, compared with 4, 670,000 Monday.

What the AMEX Market Did

New Highs	8
New Lows	34
Advances	231
Declines	286
Unchanged	317
Total Issues	834

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#90360u1137 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 26) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:

Wednesday -	6,614,000
1990 to date -	2,837,382,000

The market closed higher.

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#90360u1142 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Wednesday	1026.0
Tuesday	holiday
Week ago	1018.3
Month ago	1020.6
Year ago	1051.6
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1007.8

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#90360u1145 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Wednesday:

Stocks -	78,730,000 shares
1990 to date -	39,340,542,520
Warrants -	627,600
1990 to date -	257,428,600

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#90360u1153 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.40	off 0.15
10 Public Utils	93.24	off 0.25
10 Industrials	89.56	off 0.05

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#90360u1154 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2624.50	2653.96	2613.37	2637.13	up 15.84
20 Trans	920.54	932.35	916.60	922.23	up 1.32
15 Utils	210.64	212.34	209.88	211.33	up 0.63
65 Stock	922.22	932.44	918.41	925.69	up 3.96

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

	Wednesday	Monday
Indus	8,314,200	5,169,300
Trans	1,734,600	1,118,700
Utils	1,401,800	1,511,600
65 Stock	11,450,600	7,799,600

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.40	off 0.15
10 Public Utils	93.24	off 0.25
10 Industrials	89.56	off 0.05

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 126.33 up 0.40.

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#90360u1162 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - American Stock Exchange indexes Wednesday:

Market Value	304.90	up 0.40
High Technology	329.55	up 0.69
Capital Goods	333.09	off 0.41
Consumer Goods	396.59	up 1.19
Service	719.07	off 0.47
Retail	1000.87	up 10.80
Financial	352.08	off 0.17
Natural Resources	211.12	off 0.19
Housing-Const-Land	230.14	off 0.11

There was a gain of 2 cents in the price of an Amex share.

REGIONALS

New England	412.24	up 1.21
Mid Atlantic	425.27	up 1.33
No Central	396.88	up 1.84
So Atlantic	884.51	up 2.66

So Central	300.67	up	0.26
Mountain	108.55	up	0.72
Pacific	354.89	off	0.41
Foreign	209.08	off	0.24

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#90360u1164 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Wednesday:

Stock		Volume	Close	Chg.	
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	37,396,308	43 3/4	off	1/4
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	31,469,392	19 1/2	unch	
Intel Corp	(INTC)	25,607,040	37 1/2	off	1 3/8
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	16,454,727	75	off	1/4
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	15,231,089	61	off	1
Sun Microsys	(SUNW)	8,505,838	22 7/8	up	1/4
Cisco Systems	(CSCO)	8,428,900	42	off	1 1/2
Novell Inc	(NOVL)	7,898,450	33	unch	
Quantum Corp	(QNTM)	7,841,938	17 7/8	up	3/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	7,657,800	37 3/4	up	1/2

Composite Index 164.53 up 0.01

NMS volume 57,636,100 shares.

Advances	718
Declines	703
Unchanged	1,340
Total	2,761

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#90360u1180 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Wednesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Philip Morris	883,400	51 3/8	up	1/2
Toys R Us Inc	791,600	22 1/2	off	5/8
Exxon Corp	681,600	52	up	3/4
Mesa Ltd Ptnrs	638,500	2 3/4	unch	
Citicorp	623,000	13 1/4	unch	
MCA Inc	616,500	67 3/4	up	1/4
Texaco Inc	615,900	60 3/4	up	2
AT&T Company	574,500	30 1/8	off	1/8
Fedl Natl Mtge	573,700	35 5/8	up	5/8
Wal-Mart Stores	560,700	31	off	1/2

Ford Motor Co	559,100	26 3/4	up	3/8
Amer Express	493,000	21 3/8	up	1/4
Phila Electric	485,300	18	up	1/8
Limited Inc	462,400	17 7/8	up	1/8
Pfizer Inc	461,500	81 1/8	up	3/8

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NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Wednesday	Friday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	23.60-23.65	22.75-22.85
North Sea Brent	27.80-27.90	26.90-26.95
West Texas Intermed	27.20-27.25	25.90-25.95
Light Louisiana Sweet	28.25-28.35	27.70-28.85
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	67.55-67.75	65.65-65.90
No. 2 Heating oil	81.00-81.25	78.85-79.05
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	64.90-65.15	62.85-63.05
No. 2 Heating oil	77.75-78.25	75.45-75.70

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#90360u1185 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Wednesday:

Stock	Sales	Last	Net	Chg.
Energy Service	389,000	2 1/2	up	1/8
Western Digital	231,900	4 5/8	up	1/8
Contl Air Hldgs	200,600	1 7/8	up	1/8
Wang Labs Inc B	161,500	2 1/2	unch	
Dow Chemical rt	147,200	5 1/4	unch	
Echo Bay Mines	139,300	8 5/8	unch	
Carnival Cruise	136,200	14 1/2	up	1/8
Fruit of Loom	101,400	8 1/8	off	1/8
New York TimesA	100,200	20 1/4	up	1/8
Cheyenne Softwr	98,300	8	up	1/8

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(DEC. 26) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Wednesday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	241.50	243.80	241.20	243.15	240.90
Jun	....	....	....	245.05	242.80
Sep	....	....	....	247.45	245.20

Estimated volume: 44 contracts.
Open interest: 1,107 off 20

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	332.00	334.75	332.00	333.75	331.20
Jun	335.20	337.70	335.05	336.70	334.10
Sep	....	340.00	338.00	339.25	336.60

Estimated volume: 22,282 contracts.
Open interest: 138,131 off 31,519

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	180.90	182.45	180.80	181.90	180.35
Jun	182.40	183.50	182.40	183.30	181.70
Sep	183.80	184.60	183.80	184.70	183.05

Open interest: 3,859 off 25
CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Jan	551.00	554.00	550.00	552.60	549.10
Feb	550.70	553.50	550.25	552.45	549.00

Estimated volume: 669 contracts.
Open interest: 9,155 off 4,516

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#90360u1192 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 26) UPI - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Wednesday:

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6750	up 50
Cap Cities ABC	470	up 7 1/4
Wash Post Co	200	up 6
Tiffany & Co	37 1/4	off 4 3/8
Occid Pet pfH	112 1/2	off 2 1/2

Phila Elec pfA	42 1/2	up	2 1/2
Cin Gs & El pfA	42 1/2	off	2
Great Lake Chem	63 1/2	up	2
Chevron Corp	73 1/4	up	2
Niagara Mo pfG	49 1/2	off	2

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#90360u1203 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	385.94	235.87	144.57	23.78	329.90
Opening	386.64	236.06	144.70	23.80	330.43
11 a.m.	386.48	236.42	144.81	23.81	330.37
Noon	386.96	237.02	144.87	23.84	330.76
1 p.m.	387.16	236.84	144.79	23.87	330.89
2 p.m.	387.73	236.75	145.05	23.95	331.43
3 p.m.	387.41	236.51	144.91	23.91	331.13
Close	387.09	235.91	144.84	23.88	330.85
Change	up 1.15	up 0.04	up 0.27	up 0.10	up 0.95

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#90360u1217 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	372.40	off	0.01	371.22	448.81
Industrial	403.44	off	0.15	401.96	442.03
Finance	359.88	off	0.08	359.25	501.19
Insurance	452.11	up	1.32	450.00	536.19
Utility	483.64	up	0.80	481.02	725.43
Bank	253.37	off	0.89	255.05	388.49
Transport	413.41	off	0.56	415.62	487.27

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 164.53 up 0.01

Industrial Index 161.28 off 0.04

NASDAQ-100 Index 401.14 off 1.30

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#90360u1219 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Wednesday 401.14 off 1.30.

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(DEC. 26) UPI - All NON-essential U-S personnel in Jordan and Sudan are being ordered out of the two countries by the State Department. The action comes ahead of the U-N's January 15th deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait. The State Department says its orders do NOT come because of any specific event.

U-S forces in the Persian Gulf are about to be increased by two aircraft carriers and the 16-thousand personnel attached to the carrier groups. The carriers America and Theodore Roosevelt leave Norfolk, Virginia, on Friday to join Operation Desert Shield forces already drawn up against Iraq.

A career Communist who came up through the party ranks is Soviet President Gorbachev's surprise pick as the Soviet Union's first vice president. The name of Gennady Yanayev is the only one placed for nomination. Critics say Yanayev, who once headed the Young Communist League, is far to the right of Gorbachev.

The new military government in control of Suriname promises elections within 100 days for the South American nation. And it will name an interim Cabinet within the week. There were NO deaths reported in Monday's coup that ousted Suriname's 18-month-old civilian government.

In Chicago, the Cook County Medical Examiner says the body exhumed from a pauper's grave earlier this month is ''definitely NOT'' that of missing candy heiress Helen Vorhees Brach, who disappeared in February 1977. And Robert Stein says as far as he's concerned the case is closed.

But federal officials who ordered the exhumation say they don't yet accept Stein's findings and are waiting for the results of D-N-A tests comparing the exhumed body with samples of genetic material recovered from Brach's home.Family members earlier said the body appeared to be too short to have been Brach's.

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(DEC. 26) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record

Special				
Lord Abbett Global Fd	..	.19	1-2	12-26
Usual				
ACM Govt Spectrum Fd	..	.0145	1-18	1-4
Affiliated Fund	..	.05	12-31	12-26
Lord Abbett Equity Fd	..	.25	12-27	12-26
Lord Abbett Fundmtl VF	..	.14	12-31	12-26
Lord Abbett Global Fd	..	.12	1-2	12-26
Lord Abbett T-F IF Nat	..	.02 1/4	1-2	12-26
Lord Abbett T-F IF NY	..	.03 1/2	1-2	12-26
Mentor Corp	Q	.04	1-25	1-4

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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(DEC. 26) UPI - Reading down: Sales, Earnings, Earnings, Earnings Per for latest period vs. year earlier.

Latest Period	Year Earlier
Pioneer Fed Bancorp (4th Q 11-30)	
....	....
$1,456,000 (.62)	a-$618,000

a-No per share figure reported.

Waters Instruments (3rd Q 10-31)	
$2,707,000	$2,773,000
d-$94,000	d-$46,000

d-Deficit.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - The stock market closed higher Wednesday in moribund post-Christmas trading, bolstered by strong Treasury bonds and some minor portfolio adjustments.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which lost 12.37 Monday, closed up 15.84 at 2637.13.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index rose 0.59 to 180.60 and Standard & Poor's 500-stock index added 0. 95 to 330.85. The price of an average share added 10 cents.

Advances led declines 780-622 among the 1,952 NYSE issues traded. Big Board

volume totaled 78,730,000 shares, compared with the 57,200,000 traded Monday in a shortened session.

Stocks drifted higher in the second lightest full session of the year, as very few players apparently went back to Wall Street the day after the Christmas holiday. The thinnest full trading day came on the day after Thanksgiving, when only 63 million shares changed hands.

Analysts said higher Treasury bond prices boosted stocks at the opening, with the market unable to take cues from overseas trading since many other markets were closed for national holidays.

Bonds were up about 3/4 point in late trading after an Israeli newspaper reported Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein would meet with Secretary of State James Baker Jan. 9 for critical high-level talks that have been delayed while the two countries have bickered over appropriate dates, analysts said.

The Bush administration denied the report. ''There have been daily contacts with the Iraqis, but there has been no movement on their part for the choice of dates'' for a meeting between Baker and Saddam, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

Saddam himself appeared to rule out the reported compromise, saying in an interview on Mexican television that no date but the one he proposed - Jan. 12 - would be acceptable. The United States has said it wants the meeting held on Jan. 3.

Analysts also said seasonal factors may have played a part in the rise.

''There may have been some seasonality factor,'' said Sid Dorr, vice president of institutional trading at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco.

''New money may be coming in to start the new year (in terms of trading). But other than that, I don't see any reason for the market's gains other than people just looking at their portfolios and seeing if they can find a little value out there.''

The thin trading was expected to continue for the rest of the week. ''Very few of the desks are fully manned this week,'' said Dorr. ''Most portfolio managers have skeleton crews this week.''

On the trading floor, Philip Morris was the most active issue, up 1/2 to 51 3/8.

Toys 'R' Us followed, down 5/8 to 22 1/2. Exxon was third, up 3/4 to 52.

Among the other blue chips, AT&T was down 1/8 to 30 1/8, Texaco was up 2 to 60 3/4, American Express was up 1/4 to 21 3/8 and General Electric was down 1/4

to 57 3/8.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 99,928,970 shares, compared with the 72,298,660 traded in the previous session.

Prices were mixed in dull trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index gained 0.40 to close at 304.99. Declines led advances 282-241 among the 841 issues traded. The price of an average share rose 2 cents. Composite volume totaled 9,831,400 shares vs. 6,191,360 traded Monday.

Energy Service led the Amex issues, up 1/8 to 2 1/2.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index lost 0.01 to close at 372.40.

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(DEC. 26) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	8
New lows	35

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	231	2,423,500
Declines	286	2,560,100
Unchanged	317	2,986,400
Total	834	7,970,000

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(DEC. 26) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Wednesday	Monday	Week ago
New highs	11	4	30
New lows	58	51	52

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	751	37,145,500
Declines	624	22,300,600
Unchanged	571	19,283,900
Total	1,946	78,730,000

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NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	180.90	180.16	180.60	up 0.59
Industrial	223.51	222.75	223.23	up 0.82
Transport	142.50	141.73	141.73	off 0.16
Utility	91.81	91.60	91.75	up 0.19
Finance	123.43	122.96	123.23	up 0.33

Equivalent to a gain of 10 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 78,730,000 shares.

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#90360u1256 12/26/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 26) - Iraqi forces launched another surface-to-surface ballistic missile Wednesday, the Pentagon said, and U.S. military leaders in Saudi Arabia now believe Iraqi troops will have to be removed from Kuwait by force.

U.S. and Australian navy boarding parties clashed Wednesday with the crew of an Iraqi cargo ship carrying a group of women on a self-declared relief mission.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein insisted Wednesday that the Palestinian question would have to be on the agenda of any meeting he held on the gulf crisis.

''The Palestinian issue is our first priority,'' he was quoted by the Iraqi news agency INA as saying. ''We will liberate Palestine, after that we will be ready to discuss all issues. This is our policy and we will not retract it.''

And in a television interview, taped last Saturday and broadcast Wednesday night on Spain's independent television network Telecinco, Saddam said if war broke out Iraq would attack Tel Aviv. He also defended Iraq's possession and possible use of chemical weapons.

''Those who accuse us should also take into consideration that nuclear weapons are more dangerous than chemical ones. The United States used nuclear weapons in Japan. Israel, as all the world knows has nuclear weapons,'' Saddam said.

''Therefore Iraq has a right to possess the same weapons that its enemy has or those which can neutralize the arms of its enemy. This question is not for

discussion by us,'' he added.

''Chemical weapons have been used in Vietnam and Afghanistan by the United States and the Soviet Union. We think the discussion of this issue is hypocrisy and we do not respect hypocrites,'' Saddam continued.

Saddam denied he feared for his life.

''To speak of my personal liquidation seems ridiculous to me. A leader never feels fear. It would be embarrassing if he did. The man on the street in Iraq does not feel afraid, so how am I going to feel it?'' Saddam said.

In Washington, the State Department denied a report published in an Israeli newspaper that Secretary of State James Baker would meet Saddam in Baghdad Jan. 9 for talks on the Persian Gulf standoff.

Saddam himself appeared to rule out the reported compromise, saying in an interview on Mexican television that no date but the one he proposed - Jan. 12 - would be acceptable. The United States has said it wants the meeting held on Jan. 3.

President Bush first proposed the talks last month, saying he wanted to ''go the extra mile'' to avoid the use of military force threatened by the United States and its allies to reverse Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

The State Department Wednesday ordered all non-essential U.S. personnel to leave Jordan and Sudan ''well before Jan. 15,'' citing ''unstable conditions'' and the growing threat to Americans in the Persian Gulf.

U.S. citizens were warned in previous travel advisories to leave Yemen, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and the eastern province of Saudi Arabia.

In another development Wednesday, a Palestine Liberation Organization official threatened terrorist attacks against U.S. targets worldwide in the event of war against Iraq.

''American interests in the world will be targetted and suicidal attacks will be launched in and outside the gulf and Palestine,'' said Zeid Wehbeh, PLO representative in Lebanon.

Wehbeh made the threat in an interview with the Lebanese communist- run Voice of the People radio station.

In Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Lt. Col. Tom Coury, a U.S. Army intelligence officer, told reporters at a briefing that military experts feel the Iraqis are too deeply dug into Kuwait to withdraw before Jan. 15 and most likely will have to be removed by force.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	373.35	371.62	372.40	off 0.01
Industrial	404.91	402.34	403.44	off 0.15
Finance	360.05	358.93	359.88	off 0.08
Insurance	453.40	450.95	452.11	up 1.32
Utility	484.63	481.65	483.64	up 0.80
Bank	255.35	252.48	253.37	off 0.89
Transport	416.52	412.28	413.41	off 0.56

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	164.53	up 0.01
Industrial Index	161.28	off 0.04
NASDAQ-100 Index	401.14	off 1.30

(largest non-fin'cl)

Average price per share 8.37 up 0.01

Volume	57,636,100 shares
Advances	718
Declines	703
Unchanged	1,340
Total	2,761

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NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - Market trend for all issues traded over the counter Wednesday as supplied by NASD.

Volume	72,374,000
Advances	846
Declines	826
Unchanged	2,509
Total	4,181

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VATICAN CITY (DEC. 26) UPI - Police said Wednesday an American military club was not the target of a Christmas Day bomb blast that damaged the club as well as nearby offices of Vatican Radio.

Officials said they are taking seriously an anonymous telephone claim made Tuesday night to an Italian news agency in Rome in which a man aged said, ''We are the anarchists who planted the bomb against Vatican Radio.

''We celebrated the Holy Christmas in our own way, dynamiting Vatican Radio, an organization which pushes ideological drugs.''

The blast, which occurred early Tuesday within sight of St. Peter's Basilica, came just hours before Pope John Paul II delivered his Christmas Day message from the central balcony of the largest church in the Christian world, located just 1,500 feet away from blast scene.

The explosion, believed by experts to have been caused by black powder and not dynamite, caused minor damage to an American military social club, the United Services Organization, Vatican Radio headquarters and a music hall, police said.

No injuries were reported.

The blast site was located on the Mussolini-designed boulevard, the Via di Conciliazione, which runs from the Tiber river to St. Peter's.

According to the news agency ANSA, the anonymous caller told them that the bomb was made up of nine feet of fuse and nine sticks of explosives, all wrapped in a plastic shopping bag.

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(DEC. 27) - SPORTS DIGEST

BASEBALL

Veteran outfielder Phil Bradley, last with the Chicago White Sox, has agreed to play for Tokyo's Yomiuri Giants next year for an estimated $1. 5 million. Bradley, 31, played eight years in the majors. In 117 games last season, he batted.256 with four home runs and 31 RBI.

BOXING

Sugar Ray Leonard will spend most of January training in Safety Harbor, Fla., for his Feb. 9 bout against Terry Norris in New York. He begins workouts Friday. Leonard, 34, has won five titles in five weight classes. He will be fighting for Norris's WBC super welterweight crown.

EQUESTRIAN

Desert Orchid, the 9-4 favorite ridden by Richard Dunworthy and trained by David Elsworth, won the $140,000 King George VI Steeplechase for a record fourth time in five years at Kempton Park, England.

FOOTBALL

Ozzie Newsome, a standout tight end for the Cleveland Browns for 13 years, says he probably will retire after Sunday's game with the Bengals, but may stay with the Browns in the front office or as an assistant coach. Newsome, 34 considered retirement last year but thought the Browns might have a shot at the Super Bowl. Cleveland is 3- 12 this season. ... James Conway, who served as a key NFL adviser during the 1987 players' strike, is leaving the league's Managament Council to practice law in Washington.

GOLF

Heather Farr has suffered a recurrence of cancer. The 25-year-old Phoenix golfer underwent a mastectomy in 1989. The LPGA, quoting the golfer's mother, said the latest cancer was found in the back of the skull and vertebrae. Farr is to undergo further chemotherapy and probably a bone marrow transplant.

HOCKEY

Stu Barnes picked up a stray pass and scored with 1:39 left, sending Canada over Spartak Moscow 3-2 in the opener of the Spengler Cup in Davos, Switzerland. ... Canada blanked Switzerland 6-0 and the Soviet Union defeated the United States 4-2 on the opening day of the World Junior Hockey Championships at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

HONORS

Giants quarterback Jeff Hostetler and Falcons safety Scott Case are the NFC Players of the Week. Bengals running bnack James Brooks and Bills linebacker Darryl Talley won AFC honors. ... Michael Jordan, who averaged 34 points a game in leading the Bulls to a 4-1 record, was named the NBA Player of the Week.

SOCCER

The St. Louis Storm of the MSL leave for Zurich Saturday for a five- nation indoor tournament. Teams from Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland and Germany will take part. The two-day round-robin tournament begins Tuesday.

SWIMMING

Germany's Michael Gross left for Perth, Australia, Wednesday aiming to become the first swimmer to win a gold medal at three consecutive World Championships. Gross will swim in the 100- and 200-meter butterfly.

Competition begins Jan. 3.

TENNIS

Germany will stage a record 14 top tournaments in 1991. The big addition is a $3 million women's tournament similar to the men's $6 million Grand Slam Cup in Munich.

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NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	9.01	9.66
Anchor Fund Inv	14.39	14.39
Delaware Mutual	16.34	16.34
Fidelity Fund	16.25	16.25
Investor Mutual	10.68	11.25
Investor Stocks	17.16	18.06
Investor Select	8.45	8.89
IDS Equity Plus	8.57	9.02
MFS Growth Stk	9.02	9.02
Nicholas Income	3.09	3.09
Utd Accumulated	6.01	6.57
United Income	16.47	18.00
Vang Wellington	16.15	16.15

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NEW YORK (DEC. 26) UPI - The Lipper Analytical Services index of the 30 largest growth mutual funds Wednesday was 461.12, up 0.31 percent.

This index is net asset value weighted and adjusted for capital gains distributions and income dividends. It is based at 100 on Dec. 31, 1968.

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(DEC. 26) - Prices of world crude oil, home heating oil and gasoline all jumped Wednesday in quiet post-Christmas trading driven by snippets of war rhetoric in the Middle East and sharply dropping temperatures in much of the United States.

Futures contracts for February delivery of West Texas Intermediate, the key U.S. crude, climbed $1.30 from Friday, the last previous day of trading, to $27.22 a barrel on subdued New York Mercantile Exchange trading.

Home heating oil gained 2.32 cents a gallon from Friday's Merc trading to

settle at 81.26 cents a gallon. Unleaded gasoline was up 1.9 cents to 68.14 cents a gallon.

''Crude oil prices were a little bit led by the product complex'' of heating oil and gasoline, which in turn responded to the cold weather sweeping across the United States, said Albert Helmig of Energex, a floor brokerage.

Another broker at the Merc, Rodeny Dow of Dow International Energy, said ''This cold weather coming in has everyone excited. The initial reaction (to cold weather) is always for prices to go up.''

While there was little news from the Middle East, crude oil futures traders said bellicose declarations from Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein over the long Christmas holiday pushed crude prices up sharply at the opening Wednesday morning.

''Then prices just stayed there all day long,'' Helmig said. ''Basically, it settled within five or ten points of the opening, a very lackluster day,'' he added.

Another broker, Stephen Piasio of the internatioanl energy trading department at Lehman Brothers in New York, said, ''What helped push (crude futures) overnight was the story that Hussein would send missiles to Israel in case of war.''

''Crude waited for the next news and it never came,'' Piasio said.

Prices for oil in the sport market for immediate delivery also were up worldwide. On the U.S. Gulf Coast, West Texas Intermediate rose $1.30 to $27.20 a barrel. United Arab Emirates' Dubai light, the main OPEC crude from the Persian Gulf, climbed 85 cents in trading there. In European trading, Britain's North Sea Brent, the world's most widely- traded crude, closed the day at $27.80 a barrel, up 90 cents from the previous trading day.

The volume of trades, particularly in crude futures, was depressed by the hangover from the Christmas holiday and the Boxing Day holiday in London. Only about 31,000 contracts changed hands or about half the normal volume.

Dow of Dow International Energy, said crude prices rose too sharply on Friday. After the early-morning jump, he said, ''I think they corrected it'' by leaving prices fairly stable.

''I expect crude to trade in the $26- to $29-a-barrel level between now and Jan. 15, until something happens and we resolve something on the Persian Gulf (military standoff) in which case it will be either look- out-below time and this market crashes and burns or there is an outbreak of war and prices go way up.''

Marathon Petroleum Co. of Findlay, Ohio; Conoco Inc., the Du Pont subsidy in Wilmington, Del., and Sun Co., of Radnor, Pa., all said they raised the posted price they will pay for WTI. Conoco and Marathon said they raised their posted prices they will pay to $1.25 to $26 a barrel, and Sun said it raised the price it will pay 75 cents to $25.75.

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#90360u1420 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (DEC. 26) UPI - Senior League Baseball officials suspended play for the rest of the season Wednesday after their Fort Myers Sun-Socks defaulted and withdrew from the league.

League officials considered several options for the five remaining teams and decided to shut down operations and begin preparing for next season.

Four of the league's teams, including the Sun-Socks, were headquartered in Florida. California and Arizona each housed a team.

League officials in Daytona Beach, which is home to the Explorers, said efforts were underway to reorganize so some form of senior league baseball action can take place next year. They said emphasis would be placed on drafting policies to ensure each team's financial commitment for the next season.

To be eligible to play in the two-year-old league, players must be at least 34 years old. Catchers can be 32. This year's season was scheduled to end in the spring.

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(DEC. 26) UPI - Retailers Wednesday confirmed what many industry analysts had projected months ago: the Christmas season was not very merry - at least not at the cash registers of major department stores.

Many retailers said preliminary sales figures for the Christmas season, which traditionally runs from the day after Thanksgiving through Christmas Eve, were about what they expected.

But expectations were rather bleak to begin with as a result of the deteriorating economy and uncertainty spawned by the crisis in the Mideast.

Sears Roebuck & Co., the nation's largest retailer, said sales for the holiday season were below expectations, but that sales in the weekend before Christmas were ''much better than expected.''

Sears spokesman Perry Chlan attributed the late surge to the Chicago- based

retailer's decision to begin its traditional post-Christmas sale several weeks early, slashing prices 20 percent to 40 percent on winter apparel and other merchandise.

Dayton Hudson Corp. said it expects Christmas sales will equal last year's results, if not improve on them by one or two percentage points.

The Minnealpolis-based retailer said the strongest results were posted by its Target division, a chain of 400 ''upscale discount'' stores, which is expected to finish the season up a percentage point or two.

Dayton Hudson's Mervyn's division, a moderate-priced department-store chain, is expected to post flat results for the season, while the department store division - which includes Dayton's, Husdon's and Marshall Field's - is expected to end the season down one or two percentage points from last season.

Most retailers agreed that Christmas shoppers focused on practical products, rather than luxury goods, this season.

Several retailers reported better-than anticipated sales of Christmas -related items, such as tree trimmings and other holiday decorations.

K Mart, the nation's second-largest retailer, said it expects to post slightly higher sales this Christmas season, largely because of a last- minute surge in holiday shopping.

Knauer said one reason K Mart fared better than higher-bracket retailers is that in periods of economic contraction, ''customers find their dollars go further'' at discount stores.

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(DEC. 26) UPI - 33-year-old comatose patient Nancy Cruzan died today after surviving nearly eight years in a vegetative state.

Cruzan's death comes 12 days after doctors removed her feeding tube, ending a legal right-to-die battle that reached the U-S Supreme Court.

The feeding tube was removed after a county probate judge said there was clear evidence Cruzan would have asked that the tube be removed.

About 20 people protesting the removal of the feeding tube remained outside the hospital in Mount Vernon, Missouri, where Cruzan died. Her family was at her bedside.

The family released a statement saying Cruzan showed no sign of discomfort or distress in any way when she died.

Opponents of the court ruling that allowed the Cruzan family to withhold food and water from the woman expressed disappointment at her death and bitterness toward her family.

David O'Steen, executive director of the National Right to Life Committee of Washington, D-C, said the decision to allow Cruzan to die by starvation and dehydration ''diminishes hope for thousands of medically dependent people nationwide.''

However, Father Kevin O'Rourke of St. Louis University, an expert on medical ethics, said the family did the right thing.

Cruzan was 25 on the night of January 11th, 1983, when she was thrown from her car in a crash near her home in Cartersville, Missouri. The accident left her severely brain damaged.

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#90360u1511 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 26) UPI - New York authorities say two groups of youths opened fire on each other in a packed Long Island movie theater during the premier of ''Godfather III.''

Nassau County Detective Sergeant William Cocks says one moviegoer was killed and three wounded as the panicked audience fled for their lives.

According to Cocks- ''There was bedlam inside the theater ... a stampede in which people left their coats and shoes behind in their rush to get out.''

He says ''12 to 25 shots'' were fired during the Christmas melee.

The shooting broke out in the Sunrise Cinema just before midnight, fatally wounding a 15-year-old boy. Another 17-year-old youth and a young married couple were wounded, two of them critically.

The violence-plagued suburban theater near the New York City border was the scene of another shooting in 1988.

Cocks said yesterday's shooting was triggered by an argument between two groups of young men, possibly over who was talking the loudest.

The movie had been playing to an audience of about 600 for about 20 minutes when the shooting erupted.

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(DEC. 26) UPI - The Pentagon says Iraq today launched a surface-to-surface ballistic missile inside Iraqi territory. A spokesman says the weapon took off from Iraq and landed within Iraq. Sources said the missile's flight path did NOT threaten the U-S-led multi-national force.

A U-S Central Command intelligence official in Saudi Arabia says Iraqi troops are too deeply dug into Kuwait to withdraw before the U-N deadline of January 15th and will most likely have to be removed by force.

Lieutenant Colonel Tom Coury told reporters that if Iraqi President Saddam Hussein feels cornered, the odds are he'll launch a ''provocation'' against Israel. Coury says U-S military officials believe Saddam ''intends to remain in Kuwait for the long haul.''

Two Marine reservists who refused active duty in Operation Desert Shield surrendered today at the Mayport Naval Air Station in Florida to face possible charges of desertion. James Summers and Demetrio Perez cite moral and ethical objections for NOT reporting for duty.

Authorities say a firecracker explosion is to blame for a deadly Christmas Day fire that swept through a public market in the northern Philippines. Seven people, including three nuns, were killed in the blaze that gutted a row of stores selling pyrotechnics of New Year's Eve.

In San Francisco, Mayor Art Agnos is expected to sign into law the nation's toughest safety ordinance for computer workers. Agnos says he'll sign the law tomorrow. It requires employers with 15 or more workers to provide user-adjustable work stations for employees who spend more than four hours per shift working at a computer.

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#90360u1580 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (UPI)- U.S. officials are studying a detailed analysis of the Soviet Union which confirms what any Moscow shopper or visitor suspected: the Soviet economy is a basket-case and President Gorbachev's perestroika reforms have so far succeeded only in making the problem worse.

The report suggests that outside help may not be possible or effective.

The summary of a six-month study by the International Monetary Fund, which will be released in full in early January, will be an important element in decisions now being made within the U.S. government and the other six leading industrial nations.

Those decisions revolve around how - and if - the West can help the Soviet government survive long enough to incorporate far-reaching economic reforms.

Given the description of the disastrous state of the Soviet economy, the IMF report to the seven nations attending the annual economic summits is not encouraging.

The exhaustive report says that the Soviet Union was saved from earlier collapse only because of the dramatic increase in world oil prices in the 1970s. The Soviet Union is the world's second largest oil exporter, following Saudi Arabia.

But, the report says, in the current situation, with oil prices again going through the roof, Soviet oil and gas production and exports are actually falling because of a breakdown in the production facilities, pipelines and transportation system.

Thus, the Soviet Union cannot take advantage of the current price bubble.

The report says the Gorbachev reforms sometimes had a negative effect because they were introduced in piecemeal fashion, thus introducing the factors of confusion and inconsistency.

As a result of the partial reforms, according to the report, inflation and unemployment began to creep into the Soviet economy. The report puts the current annual rate of inflation at about 12 percent and unemployment at about 1.5 percent.

One result is that the Soviet economy is now partly a primitive barter system where consumers trade potatoes for shoes. Also, black- market U.S. dollars and packs of cigarettes have become important units of currency.

Should consumer goods become more easily available, the report says, that would probably increase inflation since there is now a huge amount of personal savings - estimated at 250 billion rubles - which remain unspent because there is nothing in the stores to buy.

The IMF report confirms an earlier analysis by the CIA which said that the Soviet national railroad system is close to a complete breakdown and that the agricultural industry, despite a good harvest year, was a serious drag on the economy because of storage and distribution problems.

Despite Gorbachev's intention of cutting back on defense spending and the size of the army, the IMF report says that the military burden on the economy remains significant, possibly as high as 18 percent of the GNP. The equivalent figure for the United States would be about 7 percent.

The IMF report says that, ''The traditional centrally planned system has largely collapsed but has not been replaced by a functioning market system.''

In its recommendations for how the outside world can help the Gorbachev

experiement, the IMF report urges caution.

Until there is a firm legal underpinning for private property and a basis for a market economy, the report says, there is no assurance that economic reform would even get started. But those legal reforms can't be put into place until the political turmoil, involving rival ethnic and national interests, are settled, and there has been so sign that those difficulties will disappear.

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#90360u1629 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 26) UPI - There are 249.6 million people living in the United States, census officials said Wednesday in releasing the 1990 count that showed a 10.2 percent increase in population during the last decade.

The Census Bureau said the West and South experienced big population increases and will gain extra congressional seats in two years. Officials said the final total ''came surprisingly'' close to the projection of 250 million.

The decennial census is required by the Constitution and is used to determine the size of each state's congressional delegation as well as the makeup of state legislatures. In addition, census figures are used to allocate money from federal agencies for education, health and welfare programs.

''The dramatic part of this decade is the change by region that the West is the big population gainer,'' said Census Bureau Director Barbara Bryant.

All four geographic regions of the country experienced growth, according to the 1990 count, which cost roughly $2.6 billion to conduct. The exact population figure reported by the Census Bureau is 249,632, 692.

Figures showed that the West grew by 22.3 percent and the South by 13.5 percent. The Northeast grew by 3.4 percent and the Midwest by 1.3 percent.

The bureau did not release demographic statistics in its count, which included the population of all 50 states as well as overseas military and federal personnel and their dependents.

The reapportionment of congressional seats will affect 21 states as eight will gain seats on Capitol Hill and 13 will lose them. There are 435 seats in the House of Representatives and the average size of a congressional district under the new census figures will be 572,466 people.

California will gain seven seats; Florida, four; Texas, three; Arizona, Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia, and Washington will gain one seat.

New York will lose three seats; Illinois, Michigan, Ohio and Pennsylvania will lose two and Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Lousiana, Massachusetts, Montana, New

Jersey and West Virginia will lose one.

The bureau makes annual population estimates for states, towns and counties using previous census data and factoring in births, deaths and migration.

The population has grown by roughly 10 percent each decade this century except between 1930-1940 when growth was 7.2 percent, census figures showed.

Census officials said they had no information on the federal money programs that might be affected by the new count, saying the complete data will be sent to state officials within three months.

Some cities have complained that the 1990 census, touted as the most comprehensive in history, would result in an undercount as the bureau would miss hard-to-reach populations like the poor and illegal immigrants.

There was an estimated total population undercount of 1 percent in 1980, but census officials and other experts have said that the count was off by as much as 6 percent for minorities and the poor.

Several state and city governments filed suit last spring alleging the census historically undercounted minorities and the poor. But the coalition agreed not to proceed until the final figures were issued and a decision was made on whether there was an undercount and, if so, whether corrections are warranted.

The Commerce Department, which oversees the Census Bureau, has promised a decision on those questions by July 15.

Two Northeast mayors delivered scathing assessments of the census results.

''At the Commerce Department, statistical grand larceny has become a way of life. And, the inevitable undercounting, underfunding and underrepresentation have become as certain as death and taxes,'' said New York Mayor David Dinkins.

Boston Mayor Raymond Flynn said that the federal government has underfunded cities for a decade. ''Today, Washington has undercounted us as well.''

New York Gov. Mario Cuomo assessed the impact of the new census.

''The potential loss of three congressional seats would have a significant impact on New York and the undercount would result in the loss of billions in federal fund allocations,'' Cuomo said.

Last spring, the Census Bureau mailed 90 million forms to roughly 100 million housing units. Following that effort, 250,000 census takers canvased the main streets and back roads of America in attempt to find those who did not respond to the mailing and confirm and recheck data. The 1990 census also included the first official count of the homeless.

The most populous state was California with 29 million people, while the least populous was Wyoming with 455,975 residents, the census figures showed.

The geographic regions broke down this way:

South - Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia, Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida and the District of Columbia.

Northeast - Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, Rhode Island, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

West - Alaska, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, Nevada, California, Oregon Washington, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and Hawaii.

Midwest - North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Minnesota, Iowa Missouri, Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana, Michigan and Ohio.

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(DEC. 26) UPI - U-S military leaders say they believe Iraqi President Saddam Hussein intends to remain in Kuwait for the long haul. Officials say Iraqi troops are too deeply dug into Kuwait to withdraw before the January 15th deadline... and will most likely have to be removed by force.

In Washington, a Pentagon spokesman says Iraqi forces launched another surface-to-surface ballistic missile today. The spokesman says the missile took off from Iraq and landed within Iraq and- quote- ''appeared to be part of additional testing or training'' for Iraqi forces.

Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov is reported out of danger after suffering a heart attack. The 61-year-old Ryzhkov was hospitalized shortly after the Congress of People's Deputies yesterday approved a plan that strips the prime minister of most power.

In another development, Soviet President Gorbachev today named a career Communist official as his surprise choice for the new post of vice president. 53-year-old Gennady Yanayev, an ethnic Russian, has been criticized by some deputies as an old-style conservative who would slow reform.

In Yugoslavia, the republic of Slovenia today declared itself an ''autonomous state'' in formalizing results of a weekend independence plebiscite. The move comes one day before a crucial meeting between all of Yugoslavia's political leaders on resolving the fate of the crisis- ridden multi-ethic federation.

One of the few buildings to survive the Chicago Fire of 1871 is now facing a

wrecker's ball. Supporters say they'll hold prayer vigils in front of the Holy Family Church near downtown each night until they raise the last 125-thousand dollars of the one-Million needed for renovation. They say if they don't reach the goal by New Year's Eve, the church will come down.

Illinois Lottery officials say some almost-Millionaire missed out on a great opportunity to have a green Christmas. Officials say a lottery ticket worth two-point-sixMillion dollars expired on Christmas Eve without being claimed. It was sold in the Chicago suburb of Lansing for the December 23rd, 1989, drawing but NO one stepped forward to claim it in time.

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#90360u1830 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 26) UPI - U-S military leaders in Saudi Arabia say they believe Iraqi troops will have to be removed from Kuwait by force. Lieutenant Colonel Tom Coury, a U-S Army intelligence officer, told reporters in Riyadh that the Iraqis are too deeply dug into Kuwait to pull out before January 15th. And Coury says Saddam Hussein continues to pour men and material into the oil-rich emirate. Adds Coury- ''We presently assess that Saddam Hussein intends to remain in Kuwait for the long haul.''

In Baghdad, Saddam insisted today that the Palestinian question will have to be on the agenda of any meeting he holds on the gulf crisis. The Iraqi news agency quotes Saddam as saying- ''The Palestinian issue is our first priority. We will liberate Palestine. After that we will be ready to discuss all issues.'' But Saddam appeared to rule out a reported compromise on a date for high-level peace talks with the United States. He told Mexican television that NO date but the one he proposed. .. January 12th... would be acceptable. And that date is unacceptable to Washington.

Two California doctors say toothpaste may trigger breathing problems in some asthma sufferers. Doctors Bruce Spurlock and Thomas Dailey of Kaiser Permanente Medical Center in Santa Clara reported their finding in a letter published in The New England Journal of Medicine. They say an artificial mint flavoring found in a brand of toothpaste made from an opaque paste instead of a gel apparently caused wheezing and coughing in a 21-year-old woman with a history of asthma.

The Education Department reports women will earn more doctorate degrees than men by the year 2001. The department noted that in 1976, women earned 78-hundred doctor's degrees, while men earned 26-thousand- 300. But it says trends now indicate the ratio will flip. By 2001, women are expected to earn 18-thousand-900 doctor's degrees, while men will earn just 17-thousand-300.

The Census Department today released its 1990 count on the U-S population. Officials say there are 249-point-six Million people living in the United States, a 10-point-two percent increase in population during the last decade.

Officials say that while all four geographic regions of the country experienced growth, the West and South experienced big population increases and will gain additional congressional seats in two years.

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#90360u1930 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 26) UPI - A group of women on a self-declared mercy mission to Iraq were exposed either as dupes or would-be embargo violators today. U-S and Australian vessels intercepted the cargo ship the women were sailing on. Officials say they found tons of sugar on the ship- NOT just the medicine and milk the women said they were taking to Iraq. The sugar violates the economic embargo the United Nations imposed on Iraq. The Iraqi crew of the ship resisted the boarding... but were subdued in a scuffle.

Austrian President Kurt Waldheim denies Iraqi reports that he plans a January Gulf mission as a peace emissary from the United States and Europe. Waldheim does plan a trip to Oman next month.

NATO military experts plan to visit Turkey tomorrow. They will inspect facilities before the arrival of three squadrons of fighter planes near Turkey's border with Iraq.

Police in Rome say an anonymous telephone caller claims anarchists planted a bomb near the Vatican Christmas Day. The bomb damaged the offices of the Vatican radio station and also a U-S-O club. The phone caller said Vatican Radio was the target- NOT the American military club. The caller said the Vatican station... in these words... ''pushes ideological drugs.''

President Bush plans to interupt his holiday vacation at Camp David tomorrow. A presidential spokesman says Bush will return to the White House to do a few hours of routine paperwork. For the most part, Bush plans to stay at the mountain retreat until New Year's Day.

The third installation of ''The Godfather'' set a record for ticket sales. ''Godfather Three'' opened Christmas Day with six-Million 400- thousand dollars in ticket sales. In addition to setting the record for the day, Godfather Three posted the third-highest gross of any movie during the five-day weekend.

World chess champion Gary Kasparov retained his title today. Kasparov played to a draw in the 22nd match of his series with challenger Anatoly Karpov. It's the fourth time in a row Kasparov has defeated Karpov for the title. Their latest series was in Lyon, France.

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#90360u2178 12/26/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 26) UPI - Iraq's president says he WON'T be ready to discuss Kuwait until Palestine is liberated. Saddam Hussein made the statement today as the U-S forces said his troop strength is still increasing in Kuwait. Lieutenant Colonel Tom Coury said it looks like Saddam intends to occupy the emirate after the January 15th deadline for withdrawal.

A federal judge issued a temporary restraining order tonight against American Airlines pilots. American sought the order to force pilots who called in sick to return to work. Federal Judge John McBryde issued the order in Fort Worth. The airline says sick calls were 70 percent higher than usual today... apparently because of a dispute over a new contract.

A report today says Iraq's fuel-air explosives are based partly on technology sold to Iraqi agents by Honeywell, a major U-S defense contractor. The explosives spread fuel through the air and then ignite the mixture in a blast that can cause 10 times the damage of conventional weapons. The fuel-air explosives are sometimes known as ''a poor man's nuclear weapons.''

American retailers say the Christmas season was NOT very merry at the cash registers of major department stores. Sears Roebuck, the nation's largest retailer, says sales for the Thanksgiving to Christmas period were below expectations. But Sears says sales in the weekend before Christmas were ''much better than expected''- largely due to sales that began before Christmas.

The trend away from red meat may be over. The National Cattlemen's Association said today total beef production is expected to be equal to or better than 1990... after declining for several years. Average prices for beef and cattle also will be the same or a little better.

A special early swearing-in ceremony was held in Madison, Wisconsin, today. Newly elected state Representative Steve Nass took the oath of office. He's due to leave for Saudi Arabia in three days. The rest of the Wisconsin legislature will be sworn in January 7th.

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VALLEY STREAM, NY (DEC. 26) UPI - Two groups of youths opened fire on each other in a packed Long Island movie theater premiering ''Godfather III,'' killing one innocent patron and wounding three others as the panicked audience fled for their lives.

''There was bedlam inside the theater - a stampede in which people left their coats and shoes behind in their rush to get out,'' said Nassau County Detective Sgt. William Cocks.

He said ''12 to 25 shots'' were fired during the Christmas melee.

The shooting broke out in the Sunrise Cinema just before midnight Tuesday, fatally wounding a 15-year-old boy. Another 17-year-old youth and a young married couple were wounded, two of them critically.

The violence-plagued suburban theater near the New York City border was the scene of another shooting in 1988.

Cocks said the Tuesday's shooting was triggered by an argument between two groups of young black men, possibly over who was talking the loudest.

The movie had been playing to an audience of about 600 for about 20 minutes when the shooting erupted, and ''it never went off the screen until the theater was almost empty,'' the detective said. All the youths involved fled in the ensuing panic.

One of the two groups, consisting of about 10 young men, were seated in the first row of seats between the two aisles.

The other group, made up of about five young men, was seated in the sixth row of seats on the left side of the theater, he said.

''We haven't been able to locate anyone who could give us the specific words that were exchanged before the shooting, so we don't know the exact nature of the argument,'' Cocks said.

''After the argument, about half of the young men in the front row approached the other group on the left side of the theater, and the other half walked to the rear of the theater and approached the second group from the rear,'' Cocks said.

''The altercation escalated into almost a physical battle before the shooting began,'' he said. ''During the ensuing shootout, each of the groups used at least two guns.''

The victims were all seated in the first four rows on the left side of the theater, and were lying on the floor when police arrived.

Tremaine Hall, 15, of New York City, was shot in the head, and died after surgery at Mercy Hospital in nearby Rockville Centre.

Turaine Baines, 17, of New York City was shot in the left eye and was listed in critical condition at Mary Immaculate Hospital in Queens.

Patrice Candelaria, 23, of Island Park, was hit by a bullet in the right shoulder and was listed in critical but stable condition at South Nassau Communities Hospital in Oceanside.

Her Husband, Marco, 23, was wounded in the upper arm and was listed in stable

condition at Franklin General Hospital in North Valley Stream.

In 1988, two persons were shot and wounded following a dispute which began in the theater's lobby.

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#90361b0012 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire

PHOENIX (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - In honor of its 20th anniversary, Southwest Airlines (NYSE:LUV) Thursday announced it is offering unprecedented $20 unrestricted airfares between Phoenix and Las Vegas and eight cities.

For $20, a traveler can fly between Phoenix and Los Angeles; San Diego; Las Vegas; El Paso; Albuquerque; Ontario, Calif.; and Oakland. The airline is also offering a $20 airfare between Las Vegas and Reno, Phoenix or San Diego.

''In the Phoenix promotion, travelers can combine flights for longer distances. For instance, a customer could fly between Albuquerque or El Paso and Oakland or Ontario, Calif., via Phoenix for $40,'' said Don Valentine, Southwest's vice president of marketing. ''All flight combinations must include a Phoenix stop/connection,'' Valentine said.

''In the Las Vegas promotion, a $40 combination is available on flights including a Las Vegas stop/connection. That means a person can fly between Reno and Phoenix via Las Vegas for $40,'' Valentine said.

Tickets can be purchased through Jan. 20, 1991, for travel between Jan. 3 and April 5, 1991, and are available at travel agencies, Southwest ticket counters by mail, or by phoning Southwest Airlines.

''In typical Southwest Airlines fashion, this special fare is easy to buy and easy to use,'' Valentine said. ''There are no restrictions and no need to wait in long lines.

''There are no blackout dates, no limit to the number of tickets a customer can purchase, and advance reservations are not required. Our customers can receive full refunds and make flight changes.''

Valentine added that travel on the $20 fare announced Thursday is ''eligible for Southwest's recently announced 'Double Company Club Credits' on trips taken before March 25, 1991.''

Southwest Airlines provides air service to 33 airports in 31 cities. As the nation's eighth-largest independent airline, the carrier operates a fleet of 106 Boeing 737s with an average age of six years -- the youngest pure jet fleet in the airline industry.

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#90361b0020 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire

PHOENIX (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Southwest Airlines (NYSE:LUV) Thursday announced it is offering unprecedented $20 unrestricted airfares between Phoenix and seven cities in honor of its 20th anniversary.

For $20 each way, a traveler can fly between Phoenix and Los Angeles; San Diego; Las Vegas; El Paso; Albuquerque; Ontario, Calif.; and Oakland.

The $20 unrestricted one-way fare is the market's lowest and, in constant dollars, the lowest unrestricted fare in the Valley's history.

Tickets can be purchased through Jan. 20, 1991, for travel between Jan. 3 and April 5, 1991, according to Don Valentine, Southwest's vice president of marketing.

Valentine said that by using a combination of flights, a traveler could fly from Albuquerque or El Paso, stop in Phoenix and travel on to Oakland or several points in Southern California, for $40. ''The only requirement is that flight combinations must stop in or connect through Phoenix,'' Valentine said.

Tickets may be purchased at travel agencies, Southwest ticket counters, by mail, or by calling Southwest Airlines.

''In typical Southwest Airlines fashion, this special fare is easy to buy and easy to use,'' Valentine said. ''There are no restrictions and no need to wait in long lines.

''There are no blackout dates, no limit to the number of tickets a customer can purchase, and advance reservations are not required. Our customers can receive full refunds and make flight changes.''

Southwest also announced a similar 20th Anniversary/$20 promotion for its Las Vegas market. The airline is offering $20 one-way airfares between Las Vegas and Reno, Phoenix or San Diego.

''A combination is also available for a $40 one-way fare that stops in or connects through Las Vegas. That means a person could fly between Reno and Phoenix via Las Vegas for just $40,'' Valentine said.

Valentine added that travel on the $20 fare announced Thursday is ''eligible for Southwest's recently announced 'Double Company Club Credits' on trips taken before March 25, 1991.''

''Because of Southwest Airlines' financial strength, we are able to say 'thanks' to our customers in such a big way through this special fare. During the last two decades, we've provided millions of travelers affordable airfares. We look forward to continuing this tradition for the next 20 years.''

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SAN DIEGO (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Cubic Corp. (ASE:CUB), a high-technology company based in San Diego, reported sales and profits for the fiscal year 1990 ended Sept. 30.

The firm also announced results of the company's fourth-quarter financial performance.

Sales in fiscal 1990 were $352,773,000 compared with $349,397,000 for the prior year.

Net income for the year was $23,032,000, equal to $3.32 per share of common stock, versus $21,076,000, or $2.92 per share, reported for the like period one year ago. Figures for 1989 included 48 cents per share from discontinued operations, which reflected the sale of a subsidiary, G. S. Parsons Co., in fiscal 1989.

Sales for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 ended Sept. 30 were $85,843,000 versus $100,421,000 for the comparable period in fiscal 1989.

Net income for the quarter was $3,914,000, or 58 cents per share, compared with $6,470,000, equal to 91 cents per share, a year ago.

Walter J. Zable, the firm's chief executive officer, said: ''All three major business segments of the corporation, defense electronics, automatic revenue collection systems for transit as well as passenger elevator products, were profitable.''

The executive continued his statement saying settlement negotiations are proceeding on a long-standing Justice Department investigation at Cubic

Defense Systems Inc., a subsidiary of Cubic Corp. Earnings for the fourth quarter and fiscal year end reflect the impact of a provision for anticipated costs to resolve the matter.

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#90361b0096 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire

INDIANAPOLIS (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE--MSA Realty Corp. (AMEX:SSS) announced Thursday the completion and funding of a First Deed of Trust Loan in the amount of $63 million for Crossroads Shopping Center, Omaha, Neb.

An institutional investor provided the funds for this 7-year, fixed rate, interest only mortgage. In addition, Crossroads joint venture (of which the company is a 50 percent partner) entered into a purchase option with the lender wherein the lender can acquire the property at any time during 1993 at a price of $78 million.

The joint venture received $2.5 million in consideration for this option. Jay Rosenfeld, president of MSA Realty Corp., said the current funding of this transaction returned to the company all of its equity in the joint venture and after payment of certain other corporate obligations, will leave the company with approximately $10 million of excess funds to be used for general corporate purposes.

The balance of the company's refinancing is expected to be completed in January, 1991.

MSA Realty Corp.'s shares are traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol ''SSS.''

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#90361b0110 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Bank of America Thursday announced that Executive Vice President Charles L. (Chuck) Bell has been named head of Credit Risk Management in the Commercial Banking Division.

In his new position, Bell, 45, is the division's senior credit officer and is responsible for establishing credit policy for the division, as well as portfolio management. In addition, Bell's group provides credit risk management support to the commercial banking operations in the recently

acquired out-of-state banking subsidiaries.

Units that report to Bell include Credit Policy and Portfolio Analysis; Asset-based Lending; Commercial and Private Banking Credit

Administration; and Real Estate Specialty Units. Bell, who will be based in San Francisco, reports directly to Executive Vice President Jack L. Meyers, head of the Commercial Banking Division. Bell assumed the position held by Meyers, who was named head of Commercial Banking in October.

Previously, Bell was division manager of Northern California Commercial Banking. In this capacity, he directed the bank's commercial banking operations throughout Northern California, including the San

Francisco Bay Area and the San Joaquin and Sacramento Valleys. Seven regional vice presidents reported to him. In addition, he also was responsible for managing the bank's overall agribusiness activities in California.

''Chuck has 23 years of extensive experience in all facets of lending within the bank's Consumer and Commercial Banking Divisions,'' Meyers said. ''His strong leadership skills and high standards of performance make him the right person to maintain credit quality and manage portfolio growth for Commercial Banking in the challenging years ahead,'' Meyers stated.

Bell joined the bank in 1967 and has served in positions of increasing responsibility in Northern California. He was appointed a credit administrator for the Sacramento Region in 1975, and the next year was named assistant manager of the Downtown Plaza Branch in Sacramento. Bell was named a vice president in 1979 and reassigned to the Sacramento Region as a senior credit administrator.

Bell and his family will reside in Mill Valley.

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FORT SMITH, AK (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Beverly Enterprises Inc. (NYSE:BEV) announced Thursday that it had completed a $413 million refinancing of all of its remaining debt covered by its 1988 Restructuring Agreement.

The refinancing completed Thursday consists of a bank credit facility led by Morgan Guaranty Trust Co., a senior secured note offering placed by Merrill Lynch & Co. and Stephens Inc. and a commercial paper program placed by J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.

The components of the refinancing have maturities ranging from three to seven

years.

''With this last piece, the task of refinancing about $700 million of restructured debt begun in the spring of 1989 when the new management team took over has now been completed,'' said David Banks, Beverly's chairman and chief executive officer.

''The lengthened debt maturities, coupled with the company's improved operating performance and the excellent strides we have made in the quality of our care, position the company very favorably for the future.''

Beverly Enterprises is a long-term health care company operating nursing facilities, institutional pharmacies, retirement living centers and Home Health Care Centers. The company's mission is to be the provider of choice in the communities where it operates, by delivering high-quality health care services that meet the unique needs of each of these communities.

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PURCHASE, NY (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Fund American Companies Inc. (NYSE/PSE:FFC) announced Thursday that it has relocated it's principal offices from Greenwich, Conn. to Purchase, N.Y., effective Dec. 24, 1990.

Fund American's new address is Harrison Executive Park, 3000 Westchester Avenue, Second Floor, Purchase, New York, 10577. Fund American's new main phone number is 914/251-0237.

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SANTA ANA, CA (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Alpha Microsystems (NASDAQ:ALMI) Thursday reported a net loss for the third quarter ended Nov. 25, 1990, of $868,000, or 31 cents per share, on net sales of $13.66 million.

During the same quarter of the prior year, the company reported a profit of $60,000, or 2 cents per share, on net sales of $13,642,000.

For the nine months ended Nov. 25, 1990, Alpha Microsystems reported a net loss of $4.51 million, or $1.59 per share, on net sales of $40,719,000. This compares with net income of $752,000, or 24 cents per share, on net sales of $40,798,000 in the same period last year.

Robert B. Hitchcock, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, stated: ''Alpha Microsystems' third-quarter sales and earnings were below management's expectations. The general softness of the computer industry continued to impact our traditional business.

''While revenue was up slightly on a quarter-to-quarter basis, products sold have reflected a reduced margin contribution. Service revenue has continued to increase and we are confident new product introductions will provide an expanded base in the future.''

With headquarters in Santa Ana, Alpha Microsystems, along with its RBM and AMS Products Groups, designs, manufactures, markets and services multiuser, multitasking computer hardware and software products.

Operating software environments are provided for Alpha Microsystems' AMOS and RBM's RECAP proprietary, multiuser business-oriented operating systems, as well as industry-standard software, including XENIX, PICK OA and R83, Microshare, Thoroughbred Basic and MS-DOS.

Distributed worldwide, the company's family of high-performance systems provides cost-effective multiuser computer solutions for a wide range of businesses.

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#90361b0610 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Acuson Corp. (NYSE:ACN) announced that a private arbitrator has ordered it to pay Advanced Technology Laboratories $6.3 million, plus attorneys' fees and costs, in a dispute regarding marketing activities.

Acuson believes part or all of this will be covered by insurance. The arbitrator also enjoined both parties from making certain representations in connection with marketing their products.

Acuson believes that the award is unjustified, the terms of the injunction are not balanced and the award and the injunction are not supported by facts or law. Acuson is investigating its options for seeking reversal or modification of the arbitrator's decision.

Acuson Corp. designs, manufactures and markets premium-quality diagnostic ultrasound equipment. Acuson, headquartered in Mountain View, realized sales of $227.3 million and net profits of $38 million in 1989.

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HONOLULU (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Pacific Resources Inc. (PRI), a wholly owned Hawaii-based energy subsidiary of The Broken Hill Proprietary Co. Ltd. (BHP) of Australia, and Chinese Petroleum Corp. (CPC) of Taiwan today confirmed that they have signed a letter of intent to explore building a joint venture refinery at a site to be determined in the Asia-Pacific region.

The refinery is projected to run approximately 150,000 barrels per day and would focus on producing light transportation fuels and products as an export refinery whose target market would be the growing Asia-Pacific region.

Initial feasibility cost estimates for building the refinery are being prepared by the companies. The project is subject to BHP and CPC board and various government approvals and a mutually acceptable definitive agreement.

Interests in the joint venture will be determined in the future. PRI and CPC have had a long time business relationship over the years, including CPC purchasing crude oil and refined products from PRI.

It is estimated that the new refinery could be fully operational in about three years depending on location and any approvals required for the sites under consideration.

PRI is a wholly owned BHP subsidiary and a member of the BHP Petroleum international group of companies. PRI is BHP Petroleum's refining, marketing and trading division. On the basis of proven reserves of oil and gas, BHP Petroleum ranks 12th among the world's listed oil companies and has exploration and production activities in more than 20 nations. PRI is based in Hawaii with other offices and activities in the U.S. West and Gulf Coasts, Guam, American Samoa, Tokyo, Singapore and Melbourne.

CPC is the government-owned Petroleum company of Taiwan.

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#90361b0621 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire

BAKERSFIELD, CALIF. (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Cal Rep Bancorp Inc. (NASDAQ:CRBI) Thursday announced that it will provide an additional provision to the allowance for possible loan losses of $2 million.

This additional provision, when added to the regular provision, will result in a total provision of $5 million for 1990. This compares with a 1989 provision of $3,237,000. The addition will increase the allowance for possible loan losses to approximately 2.30 percent of loans outstanding compared with 1.26 percent at the end of 1989.

Thomas H. Shaffer, chief executive officer of California Republic Bank, the holding company's subsidiary, stated, ''The economic downturn being experienced in some of our market areas has resulted in increased delinquencies, particularly on loans in the Antelope Valley of northern Los Angeles County.

''Our decision to add to our reserves in 1990 will place California Republic Bank in a strong position going forward into the recessionary environment anticipated in 1991,'' Shaffer continued. ''1990 will be a profitable year, albeit reduced from the record 1989 level.''

The additional provision will result in net income for the fourth- quarter 1990 of approximately one-third of the fourth-quarter 1989.

Net income for the full year will also be reduced. Net income for the first three quarters of 1990 totaled $4,911,115 which represented a decrease of 6.7 percent over the comparable period in 1989. It is anticipated the reduced fourth-quarter earnings will result in a decrease approximating 22 percent in 1990 net income from the 1989 level.

Non-performing assets, which at Dec. 31, 1989 were 0.73 percent of total assets will approximate 1.65 percent of total assets at Dec. 31, 1990. The increase in non-performing assets warrants a conservative approach and thus justifies the increased provision and additional reserves. The allowance for possible loan losses will approximate 115 percent of the non-performing loans at year end.

Cal Rep Bancorp Inc. is the one bank holding company of California Republic Bank. The Bank operates 16 branches, 12 in the Bakersfield metropolitan area and in the communities of Frazier Park and Tehachapi, and four in northern Los Angeles County in the communities of Lancaster, Palmdale and Quartz Hill.

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DENVER (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Schield Management Co. (NASDAQ:SMCC) is pleased to announce that a Registration Statement covering 1,800 units at a price of $1,000 per unit was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission at 1 p.m. Eastern time on Tuesday, Dec. 18.

Each unit consists of 300 shares of common stock, two year warrants for 300 shares of common stock at $2.75 per share, and 200 shares of $0.325 Cumulative Convertible Series A preferred stock which is convertible into shares of common stock at $2.50 per share. Cohig and Associates Inc. of Denver managed the underwriting.

The net proceeds of the offering will be used to, among other things, retire short-term debt, expand marketing and product development, to finance mergers, acquisitions, bridge loans, and venture capital opportunities.

Schield Management Co. has been in business as an investment advisor since 1972. Its principal lines of business include providing market timing services, individual management of accounts, the Schield Portfolios Series of mutual funds, publishing and marketing ''Institech,'' an institutional investment advisory publication, and providing bridge loans and equity financing.

Schield Management Co. securities are listed in the additional over-the-counter market under the following NASDAQ symbols: SMCC (common stock), SMCCU (units), SMCCW (warrants), SMCCP (preferred).

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PHOENIX (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - America West Airlines (NASDAQ:AWAL; PSE:AWA) Thursday announced that its board of directors has elected John W. Timmons to the newly created position of vice president of government affairs.

Timmons will be responsible for establishing a Washington office and representing America West in the nation's capitol.

''This is a very exciting opportunity,'' said Timmons. ''I believe that teamwork from top to bottom will dictate who succeeds in the '90s. America West's corporate philosophy reflects that belief.''

In joining the airline, Timmons leaves the post of Senior Minority Counsel for the United States Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, where he developed a reputation for expertise in aviation issues.

Timmons is a native of Kalamazoo, Mich. He received his B.A. from Albion College and graduated from the Washington & Lee University School of Law. He has held positions in Washington with the Department of Transportation and as aide to Arizona Senator John McCain.

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WOODBURY, NY (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Millfeld Trading Company Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: SHOE, SHOEW, SHOEZ) will commence an exchange offer Thursday for the exchange of all outstanding warrants, otherwise exercisable at a price of $6 per share of common stock.

The exchange will be based on a ratio of one share of common stock for each two warrants. The exchange offer will remain open from Dec. 27, 1990, through Jan. 31, 1991.

The exchange offer does not require that warrants be exchanged and warrant holders may continue to hold such warrants and exercise them up until their expiration date on Jan. 31, 1994. The exchange offer does not relate to Millfeld's Class A warrants which are exercisable at $10 per share.

In a related matter, Millfeld agreed to modify the arrangement with the underwriter of its initial public offering to provide for an exchange of up to 425,000 shares of Millfeld common stock for up to 850,000 warrants currently held by the underwriter and certain of its customers, also based on an exchange of one share of common stock for each two warrants. Futhermore, the period for the exchange has been extended through Jan. 31, 1991.

Millfeld Trading Co. Inc. designs, markets and distributes a wide variety of footwear including a product line bearing the ''No Excuses'' label and the recently introduced Team Sport Footwear line bearing the logos of various NFL, NHL and college sports teams.

Bright Star Footwear Inc., a Millfeld subsidiary, designs, markets and distributes a wide variety of workboots, hiking shoes and men's leisure shoes.

The company recently concluded an agreement with Kenner Products to act as exclusive footwear licensee for Kenner's Play-Doh brand name and announced that it had been selected by Fila Athletic Footwear to supply footwear from

the Far East. The company also owns Parigi, an established brand of cold weather footwear.

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TOLEDO, OH (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Dana Corporation announced today that it will seek to sell its Diamond Savings and Loan subsidiary, and has retained Goldman, Sachs & Co. to act as its advisor in connection with the proposed transaction.

Southwood J. Morcott, Dana's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, stated: ''Diamond, which is based in Findlay, Ohio, is healthy, has over $900 million in assets, and ranks among the best-capitalized savings and loans of comparable size in Ohio. With 27 branch locations concentrated in northern and central Ohio, Diamond is a leader in most of the markets in which it operates.''

Morcott continued, ''Diamond has been a good investment for Dana and has grown stronger since we acquired it in 1980. Its people are skilled financial managers, and have played an important role in the growth of Dana's Financial Services group during the past ten years. However, given Dana's emphasis on growing our distribution and international activities each to 50 percent of total sales during the next decade while continuing to expand in our other markets, we feel that the interests of Diamond's customers, depositors, and employees would best be served by affiliation with a strong parent which is committed to growth and expansion in the thrift or banking industries. Naturally, any prospective purchaser will have to be very sound financially and meet the approval of the regulatory agencies involved.''

Dana has set no timetable for the completion of this proposed transaction.

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Don Decker, 419/535-4601.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Nycal Thursday announced that it has made a written offer to Australian Consolidated Investments Ltd., acting on

behalf of Weeks Petroleum Ltd., as vendor, to purchase 55.1 percent of a royalty owned by Weeks Petroleum Ltd. on hydrocarbon production in the Bass Strait off the southeastern coast of Australia.

The offer price is Aus$210 million (approximately US$163 million) payable entirely in cash. It is Nycal's intention to finance the purchase through term-loan financing.

The offer has been presented to the board of directors of Australian Consolidated for acceptance by close of business on Jan. 4, 1991.

The offer, if and when accepted, is intended to constitute a binding agreement between Nycal and Weeks, subject to certain conditions, including necessary regulatory and other approvals, replacement of the resource excise tax structure with a Rent Resource Tax as contemplated by the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia and completion of definitive documentation.

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LATHAM, NY (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Mechanical Technology Inc. (OTC:MTIX) Thursday reported a net loss of $1.3 million for fiscal 1990 (ended Sept. 30), a 55 percent decrease from the $3.0 million loss recorded in 1989.

Sales held steady at $72 million versus $73 million in 1989. Loss per share was $.38, compared to $.84 in 1989.

''1990 showed considerable improvement over 1989 in many respects,'' commented Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Harry Apkarian in a letter to shareowners. ''We reduced net loss through improved operations management and stringent cost-control measures. By year end, we saw a 25 percent increase in new orders to $85 million and a 20 percent increase in backlog to $75 million.''

The company recorded a net loss of $494,000 for the fourth quarter of 1990, compared to a net loss of $2,515,000 in the fourth quarter of 1989. Loss per share for the quarter was $.14 versus $.71 in 1989.

Apkarian announced the company's annual meeting will be held on Feb. 15, 1991 at the Mohawk Golf Club in Schenectady, N.Y.

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-30- 1298

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SOUTH GATE, CA (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Sharp Wire Wheels Inc. (SWW), a leader in manufacturing and sales of wire wheels to the automotive aftermarket and its Chief Executive Officer Kurt Lohmeyer, who is well known as ''Mr. Wire Wheels'' because he has developed and patented numerous wheel items over the past 20 years, announced that it has been acquired by Antaeus Acquisitions Inc. (OTC:ATAAU).

Under the terms of acquisition Antaeus has acquired 100 percent of issued and outstanding shares of Sharp Wire Wheels for 85 percent of Antaeus; furthermore Lohmeyer acquired 30 million shares of restricted Antaeus common stock from the principals of Antaeus.

Antaeus and SWW are now preparing a post effective amendment to Antaeus Form S-18 Registration Statement. SWW is qualified to be traded on NASDAQ and will apply at once.

The merger will contribute to SWW's expansion whereby it expects to do $19 million in sales between now and 1993. The units are now structured with A and B warrants which, when exercised, could net SWW an additional $4.2 million in expansion funds.

MARKET MAKERS:	William Barton, Paragon	
CURRENT PRICE:	$.01 - $.02	
CUSIP NO. UNITS:	03662L205	
COMMON:	.01	
A WARRANT:	$.004	03662L114
B WARRANT:	$.007	03662L122

CONTACT: American Century Financial Relations, Newport Beach, Calif.

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COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Expenditures in calendar year 1991 for research and development (R&D) in the United States are expected to reach $155.2 billion, according to the annual Battelle forecast.

This represents an increase of $5.2 billion (3.5 percent) over the $150 billion the National Science Foundation estimates actually was to be spent for R&D in 1990.

While part of the increase will be absorbed by continued inflation as it affects the R&D industry (estimated to be 2.4 percent for 1991), Battelle forecasts a real increase in R&D expenditures of approximately 1 percent. This is considerably smaller than the 10-year average rate of 4 percent in real R&D effort experienced since 1980.

Commenting on the forecast, Battelle President and Chief Executive Officer Dr. Douglas E. Olesen said, ''The slowdown in the rate of growth of R&D expenditures is not surprising, given the situation with the federal budget and the general slowdown in business activity. We have been anticipating this for the past few years. However, we do not expect this to be a long-term trend.

''Both government and industry recognize major needs that must be addressed if we are to maintain the vitality of our economy and prepare to meet the challenges of both the near and long-term future.'' He added, ''It is up to all of us to assure that the basic strength of U.S. science and technology serves us well as global changes occur.'' Sources of Funds

Industrial funding for R&D will account for 48.9 percent of the total. Industrial support is forecast to be $75.9 billion, up 2.2 percent from 1990.

Battelle sees an increase of 4.3 percent in federal support for R&D, with funding expected to be $72.2 billion. This is 46.5 percent of total expenditures for 1991.

Funding by academic institutions is expected to be $4.7 billion (3 percent of the total), and other non-profit organizations will provide nearly $2.5 billion (1.6 percent).

Over the past few years, industry and government have switched roles as the primary source of R&D support. Government was the principal funder before 1980; since then, industrial support has been dominant, and that trend is expected to continue in 1991. Performers of Research

According to the Battelle report industry will remain the dominant performer of R&D, as it has been since detailed records have been kept. In 1991, performance by industry is expected to rise to $111 billion, or 71.5 percent of all research performed. This compares with $17.5 billion (11.3 percent) by federal government laboratories, nearly $22.4 billion (14.4 percent) by academic institutions, and $4.3 billion (2.8 percent) by other non-profit organizations.

Federal funding supports research performance in all four sectors. Currently, almost one-fourth goes to support R&D conducted by the government itself; slightly more than half goes to industry; one-fifth goes to colleges and universities; and the rest, about one twenty-fifth, goes to other non-profits.

Industry absorbs almost all of its own funds, either performing the R&D itself or contracting with other industrial performers. Contracts and grants to non-profit organizations are a little more than half as large as those to colleges and universities, although this figure does not include the support of long-range ''endowed research'' programs in academia. The non-profit

organizations finance both themselves and the academic institutions about equally, and colleges and universities consume all of the funds they originate.

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#90361b0664 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire

DFW AIRPORT, TEXAS (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - American Airlines (NYSE:AMR) announced Thursday it has obtained a temporary restraining order against an illegal job action being waged against the company by the Allied Pilots Association and company pilots engaging in illegal job action.

The airline also announced that it would reduce its schedules by about four percent as a means of assuring its passengers reliable service.

American obtained the court order late Wednesday.

''An illegal pilot slowdown which has been underway for some months intensified during the Christmas and New Year's holiday period, thus inconveniencing many of our customers and damaging our company's reputation,'' said Robert W. Baker, American's executive vice president for operations.

''We have therefore taken both legal and management actions to protect the interests of our customers, employees and stockholders.''

More than 500 pilots -- about 65 percent above normal -- called in sick during the holidays. Additionally, the airline has continued to be the victim of other pilot actions including unnecessary maintenance write ups, slow taxiing and deliberate efforts to consume extra fuel.

''All of this is completely unnecessary,'' said Baker, ''because we have been trying to negotiate in good faith since October 1989, and have a very generous offer on the table.'' American has offered its pilots a five-year contract which will increase the airline's costs by at least $840 million and, if Variable Compensation provisions linked to the company's profits are activated as much as $1.4 billion.

''Our proposal will provide every pilot with substantially better pay and benefits and, in conjunction with promotional increases, will increase some pilots' compensation by as much as 200 percent,'' said Baker.

''American's contract proposal compares favorable with the best in the industry, with the single exception of Delta, which recently signed a contract more generous than Americn believes affordable at current levels of profitability. In profitable years, the Variable Compensation portion of our

proposal will, in fact, allow

''American's Captains to be compensated at rates higher than Delta's. Our offer will increase average pilot pay at American to over $100,000, exclusive of Variable Compensation, and will increase American's maximum pay for Captains to $166,000, again exclusive of Variable Compensation. Including Variable Compensation, the average will rise to over $111,000 and the maximum to over $185,000.

''The proposal will also provide our pilots with a retirement income equal to approximately 80 percent of their pay during the five highest paying years of their career -- a benefit which often translates into a lump sum payment of over $1 million. Altogether, our offer will increase American's cockpit costs per flying hour, relative to the present contract, by more than 21 percent without Variable Compensation and by nearly 35 percent including Variable Compensation.

''Overall, the compensation and working conditions we offer our pilots represent an outstanding opportunity by any standard.

''Unfortunately, the APA's negotiators are seeking pay, benefit and work rule changes that will make the airline perpetually unprofitable,'' Baker said.

''The union's work rules alone would require American to hire more than 1,000 new pilots just to fly today's schedule and would increase costs by approximately $900 million during the term of the contract; the APA's proposals, in total, would increase the company's costs by more than $3 billion.

''American cannot and will not accept the APA's proposals and is unwilling to allow an illegal slowdown to inconvenience our customers. Thus, despite the fact that reducing our schedules will force us to lay off employees, we feel we must take the actions necessary to give our customers the reliable service they deserve.

''It is deplorable that because America will not agree to the Union's proposals, some of our pilots are engaging in an illegal job action which penalizes both our customers and our other employees. These actions are wholly inconsistent with the professional stature and responsibilties of airline pilots," Baker said.

''The only word that describes our feelings is 'outraged,''' said Baker. ''We have and will continue to treat our pilots with the respect to which their professional skills and responsibilities entitle them. In return, we expect each pilot--and the union which represents them -- to behave in the same professional and respectful way towards the company, our customers and our other employees.''

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VALENCIA, CALIF. (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Airvision has signed an agreement with Mexicana Airlines for full-plane installation of their multi-channel personal video system on Mexicana's Boeing 727 fleet, announced Charles A. Bucks, CEO of Airvision.

The agreement, negotiated over the past several months, calls for immediate installation of Airvision's individual seatback monitors in Coach, and six-inch center console units in First Class, with a launch flight slated for early January.

Airvision, a North American Philips company based in Valencia, is the pioneer of multi-channel inflight entertainment systems, having begun business in 1982. Airvision's sophisticated entertainment system will offer each passenger six channels of programming on technically advanced full-color LCD screens.

Mexicana's commitment to install personal video is part of an extensive plan to offer a high quality in-flight service package and to promote a new image for the airline. The installation of individual video will make them the first spanish-speaking carrier in the world to offer such advanced inflight entertainment.

''We are very pleased to be a part of Mexicana's new corporate image and service program that will launch them into the future as an innovative and creative force in the airline industry,'' said Bucks.

North American Philips Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of N.V. Philips of the Netherlands, is one of the 100 largest industrial companies in the U.S. with operations in consumer products, lighting products, electrical and electronic components, medical diagnostic imaging systems and other professional equipment marketed under many well known brands, including Philips, Magnavox, Norelco, Philco and Sylvania audio-video.

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#90361b0677 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire
ATLANTA (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Advanced Telecommunications Corp. (NASDAQ/NMS:ATEL) (ATC), the nation's largest regional long distance company, will utilize its fiber optic network to bring U.S. service men and women a

little closer to home for the holidays by providing domestic long distance service from Desert Shield Phonecenters installed by MCC Communications in Saudi Arabia.

Minnesota-based MCC Communications has completed installation of two of three Desert Shield Phonecenters providing 288 telephones for use by the U.S. Service personnel stationed in Saudi Arabia. The Phonecenters are self-contained and powered, mobile satellite transmission units capable of providing service in remote forward ares where telephone lines and facilities do not exist.

Calls from the troops to their families and friends will be carried over a high speed digital private network to Atlanta. ATC Long Distance will then route the calls over its' fiber optic network to the callers' ultimate destination in the United States. America's service personnel may place operator-assisted, collect, calling card, and credit card calls around the clock.

ATC Long Distance and its Desert Shield operator services contractor, US Teledata Corp., began completing calls on Sunday, Dec. 23, and have handled more than 37,000 calls from Saudi Arabia in the first three days of operation. When installation of all three MCC Desert Shield Phonecenters is completed next week, the network will be capable of handling more than 30,000 telephone calls daily.

ATC Long Distance serves business and residential customers in eight southern states. Atlanta-based ATC operates a nationwide digital fiber optic network providing a full range of telecommunications services including 1 + dialing, WATS, inbound 800 services, international calling, video teleconferencing, operator services, calling card, private channel service capable of voice video and data transmission.

ATC also develops and markets voice mail and voice messaging services through ATC MessageCentre. The company's common stock is traded on the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol ATEL.

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#90361b0691 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire
WILLOUGHBY, OH (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Figgie International Inc. has announced the appointment of William R. Burton as president of its Hartman Electrical Manufacturing division, Mansfield, Ohio.

Hartman Electrical manufactures power relays, circuit breakers, automatic control panels and related equipment which are used in aircraft, missiles and

space vehicles.

Burton previously was corporate vice president of sales for Richardson Electronics, LaFox, Illinois, a manufacturer and distributor of vacuum tubes, semiconductors and closed-circuit TV equipment. From 1986 to 1988 he was senior vice president - operations with Magnetek, Incorporated, Los Angeles.

From 1963 to 1986 Burton was with Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Pittsburgh, in various managerial positions, including general manager of the control division; strategic planning manager of the industrial control business unit; and general manager, marketing operations for the air conditioning division.

Burton received his bachelor's degree in engineering physics from the University of Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 1963.

Figgie International Inc. is a diversified Fortune 500 operating company serving consumer, industrial, technical and service markets worldwide.

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#90361b0696 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire

CORAL GABLES, FL (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - BLOC Development Corp. (NASDAQ:BDEV) and Uarco Inc. announced Thursday that they have entered into definitive corporate licensing and reseller agreements relating to BLOC's F3 Forms Automation System.

The F3 Forms Automation System is a line of professional, advanced software products for complete business forms composition, automation and processing.

''We are excited to be entering into a relationship with such a significant player in the business forms arena,'' said Frank Millman, BLOC's chairman and CEO.

''BLOC's F3 software is marketed through large forms manufacturers, so, corporations such as Uarco are an important link to our marketplace,'' Millman continued.

''Uarco views the F3 Forms Automation System as a key element in bringing emerging electronic forms design and electronic forms systems technologies to its customers,'' stated D. William McGrath, Uarco's senior vice president for marketing.

''The agreements allow Uarco to use and market BLOC's advanced forms design software which provides an electronic composition link between a customer's

office and Uarco's manufacturing facilities. The BLOC software also provides us a base for future expansion into forms fill and data merge.''

Uarco, headquartered in Barrington, Ill., is the one of the three largest business forms manufacturers in North America. Uarco's products include business forms, forms design and management services, forms processing equipment and various other lines of related products and services.

Based in Coral Gables, BLOC develops, publishes and markets business, personal productivity and information management software products for the MS-DOS, Microsoft Windows and Apple Macintosh markets. In addition, the company provides business automation services to small and mid-sized businesses.

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TUCSON, AZ (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Sierra Tucson Companies Inc. (NASDAQ: STSN) announced that the German Association of Insurance Cos. accredited the German facility in Garmisch for admitting and treating state-insured patients suffering from chemical dependency and mental health problems.

The German facility has over two hundred state-insured patients awaiting admission for treatment. Counselors are evaluating these patients for suitability and assignment of admission dates.

William T. O'Donnell Jr., president and chairman of the board of Sierra Tucson Cos. said, ''The use of the family systems approach to treatment in Germany, while not new, is responsible for a great deal of interest and excitement in the medical community there. This treatment approach and treatments utilizing a shorter length of stay have positive implications for Sierra Garmisch.'' Consistent with earlier corporate announcements, the German facility is expected to break-even in the first quarter, 1991.

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#90361b0708 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire
PROVIDENCE, RI (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - David E. Henderson, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Outlet Communications Inc., died of a fatal heart attack Thursday at 10 a.m. while celebrating the holidays at home with his family.

Henderson, a 42-year veteran of the broadcasting industry, is survived by his wife, Joan; his children, David E. Henderson Jr., Susan E. Henderson, Jonathon C. Henderson and Jeffrey J. Henderson; his daughter-in-law, Tami Henderson; and his grandson, David E. Henderson III.

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John Sawhill, 401/455-9540

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#90361b0710 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire
MAPLEWOOD, NJ (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - First World Cheese Inc. (NASDAQ:FWCH) announced a major new 1991 national advertising campaign which will premiere with two commercials on Sixty Minutes this Sunday.

The company's 1991 advertising budget will be between $4 million and $7 million in 1991 depending upon market conditions. This represents up to 270 percent of 1990's advertising expenditures.

The TV campaign will feature the company's leading products and will be seen an average of 15 times in over 80 percent of USA households.

The company's Pre Monde Alpine Lace (R) national TV campaign is its first time on national prime TV and will be seen on such programs as Sixty Minutes, CBS Evening News with Dan Rather, NBC Evening News with Tom Brokaw, Good Morning America, The Today Show, CBS This Morning, and Sunday Morning with Charles Kuralt.

The company believes that although economic conditions are weak, there is room for significant market growth for its line of Pre Monde Alpine Lace (R) low sodium, low cholesterol, and lower in fat cheeses.

First World Cheese Inc. is a developer and marketer of a growing line of low salt and low cholesterol cheeses sold under the Pre Monde Alpine Lace (R) label. The company's primary product lines are designed to meet consumer taste expectations while providing the dietary benefits of lower sodium, fat and cholesterol.

Through its Mountain Farms Inc. and Marolf Dakota Farms Cheese Inc. subsidiaries, the company also packages and converts bulk cheeses into consumer retail packages and manufactures a small portion of the cheese sold

under the company's brand names. In addition, the company engages in the cheese commodity trading business.

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KCS&A Public Relations, New York
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#90361b0715 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire

OMAHA, NE (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Data Transmission Network Corp. (NASDAQ:DTLN) announced Thursday that it has entered into an agreement with Warren Petroleum Co., a division of Chevron USA Inc., to provide satellite-delivered communication and price notification services over DTNergysm.

Warren Petroleum, one of the largest wholesalers of propane to dealers in the United States, will utilize DTN's newly developed DTNergy service to inform their dealers of price changes and market information related to propane beginning in early 1991. In addition, DTN will provide each Warren propane dealer, as a part of the DTNergy service, energy futures and options quotations and financial news.

Warren Petroleum is the fourth company to sign an agreement with DTN to utilize DTNergy, joining Phillips 66 Co., Koch Refining Co., and Valero Refining & Marketing Co. Eighteen other refiners are currently conducting their own tests of DTNergy. The company estimates that the four agreements will add approximately 3,500 subscribers to DTNergy and increase fiscal 1991 revenues by seven to nine percent.

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or
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Mark Trinske, 303/494-5472

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#90361b0718 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Millicom Inc. (NASDAQ:MILL) announced Thrusday that it had entered into a letter of intent with the Ministry of Communications of the Soviet government to provide cellular telephone service in the Soviet Union, beginning in Moscow, with service to be provided in other cities and regions upon execution of additional agreements.

The letter of intent was entered into by a group consisting of Millicom

International Cellular S.A.R.L., an affiliate of Millicom Inc., Fyodorov's Eye Microsurgery Science and Technology Complex, based in Moscow and US WEST International Holdings Inc.

The NMT 450 MHz cellular system will initially be deployed in Moscow, with operations contemplated to begin in the third quarter of 1991. The Millicom group will be one of two cellular telephone system operators in Moscow. The letter of intent also contemplates development by the Millicom group of GSM cellular and PCN systems.

The catalyst in Millicom's effort was a team led by Professor Fyodorov, from the Eye Microsurgery Science and Technology Complex. According to Fyodorov, ''This cooperative effort affirms that our nations can work together successfully and will be the wave of the future for further Soviet-American cooperation to the benefit of both nations in terms of economic, political and social relations.''

J. Shelby Bryan, chairman and chief executive officer of Millicom Inc., comments, ''The Millicom group, as part of the operation, will transfer American management and telecommunications marketing techniques to the USSR and will build an organization with its Soviet partners that will be international in content and vision.

''The Soviet government has been highly receptive to foreign investment in this area. We recognize that there are vast economic opportunities for Soviet and American enterprises who are willing to expend the effort and resources.

Millicom Inc. is a diversified international telecommunications company with primary interests in radio telephony, alphanumeric paging and satellite television. The company, through its affiliate, Millicom International Cellular, S.A.R.L., currently holds interests in cellular telephone licenses in Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Hong Kong, Mauritius, Mexico, Pakistan, the Philippines, Sri Lanka and Sweden.

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or
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-30- 2671

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BOSTON (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Thursday, December 27, 1990, the board of directors of Dreyfus Strategic Municipal Bond Fund, Inc. (NYSE, Symbol:DSM) declared from net investment income its monthly cash dividend of $0.0595 per share of common stock, payable on January 23, 1991 to shareholders of record at the close of business on January 9, 1991.

The previous cash dividend paid in December was $0.0595 per share of common stock.

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53 State Street
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Louise O'Leary (617) 573-1799

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INGLEWOOD, CA (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Hollywood Park Operating Company Thursday confirmed that consents solicited by R.D. Hubbard, once executed, will, if not revoked, remain effective through Dec. 31, 1990, correcting a different date that appeared in Operating Company's recent proxy materials.

Operating Company also confirmed that the date of its annual meeting has been rescheduled to Feb. 18, 1991, and that the date of the annual meeting for Hollywood Park Realty Enterprises Inc., is, to the knowledge of Operating Company, still scheduled for Jan. 28, 1991.

CONTACT: Sawyer/Miller Group, New York
Charlie Perkins, 212/303-2532

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BRAINTREE, MA (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Grossman's Inc. (NASDAQ:GROS) -- Thomas R. Schwarz, chairman and chief executive officer of Grossman's Inc., issued the following statement to clarify the report of the negotiations with the Shidler/Holman Group for representation on Grossman's board of directors contained in yesterday's filing by the Shidler/Holman Group with the Securities and Exchange Commission:

''Grossman's had sought to avoid the distraction of the Company's management, employees, customers and suppliers and the expense to the Company that would be caused by another Shidler/Holman consent solicitation or proxy fight by offering the Shidler/Holman Group representation on the Grossman's Board of Directors in connection with an appropriate standstill agreement. Shidler/Holman refused to enter into any such agreement unless Grossman's gave them two Board seats (or approximately 20 percent of Grossman's Board) and paid them up to $1.35 million for the expenses incurred by the Shidler/Holman Group in connection with their unsuccessful consent solicitation. The Grossman's Board of Directors determined that these two demands were not in the best interests of Grossman's shareholders.''

Grossman's, a major retailer of lumber and building materials, operates 155 stores in nine Northeastern states and in California.

CONTACT: Grossman's Inc., Braintree
  Sydney L. Katz, 617/848-0100, ext. 2348

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WEST BEND, WI (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Gehl Co., a leading manufacturer of agricultural and light industrial/construction equipment, announced Thursday that it has acquired the forklift product line and inventories of Champ Corp. for approximately $3 million.

The acquisition is part of Gehl Co.'s ongoing strategy to broaden its product lines and enhance distribution in key geographic areas.

Champ Corp. is a 40-year-old manufacturer of rough-terrain straight-mast forklifts based in Los Angeles. The Champ forklifts will expand the product offering of Gehl Co.'s Industrial/Construction Division which includes rough-terrain telescoping-boom forklifts, skid steer loaders and attachments, a special purpose road grader and mini-excavators. By providing both straight-mast and telescoping-boom forklifts, Gehl will give its dealers and customers one of the broadest offerings in the industry for both rental and sale.

''Our purchase of Champ Corp.'s product line strengthens Gehl's position in the $260 million rough-terrain forklift market in North America, one of the fastest growing segments in the light industrial/construction equipment market and one with worldwide significance,'' said Bernard L. Nielsen, president and chief executive officer of the 131-year-old niche capital goods manufacturer.

Straight-mast forklifts represent the larger, more traditional segment of the rough-terrain forklift market and offer dealers a lower cost option to complement the more versatile telescoping-boom machines. Quick and compact straight-mast machines are used in industrial and construction applications to move and lift materials vertically up to two stories.

In contrast, telescoping-boom equipment can place loads both horizontally and vertically at the three and four story levels using a wide variety of attachments to move lumber, steel, concrete, shingles, and other materials.

''Champ forklifts have enjoyed strong sales success, especially on the West Coast and in Hawaii,'' said Robert L. Hartsock, vice president and general manager of Gehl's Industrial/Construction Division. ''We will build on that reputation to increase the products' use in the construction and equipment rental markets throughout North America. The machines will be sold through our Industrial/Construction dealers in North America and will be manufactured by

our people in Yankton, S.D.

The acquisition is being financed through Gehl Co.'s new three-year revolving loan agreement completed on Dec. 20 with Bank One-Milwaukee, Norwest Bank and Rabobank-Nederlands as participating banks.

Gehl Co. (NASDAQ:GEHL) produces a broad line of niche capital goods equipment used worldwide in the light industrial/construction and agricultural markets. Founded in 1859, the company is headquartered in West Bend, with manufacturing facilities in West Bend; Yankton and Madison, S.D.; and Myerstown, Pa.

CONTACT: Gehl Co., West Bend
Mary Brevard, 414/334-6663

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SAN JOSE, CALIF (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Worth Corp. (NASDAQ:WRTH) Thursday announced that its subsidiary, Keegan Management Co., (NASDAQ:KMCI) has entered into agreements to sell its nine Nutri/System weight loss centers in the states of Indiana and Michigan.

The contemplated sales transactions are expected to close by Dec. 31, 1990, and are subject to certain conditions. The sales include Keegan Management Co.'s five centers in Indiana and four centers in Michigan.

The purchasers will assume all of Keegan Management Co.'s client service and lease obligations and will pay nominal purchase prices for the centers and franchise territories.

After provision for minority interest and income taxes Worth Corp. anticipates recording a loss from the sales of approximately $930,000, or 16 cents per share.

Worth Corp. is a holding company that owns 18.7 percent of Mr. Coffee Inc. (NASDAQ:JAVA) and 67.4 percent of Keegan Management Co.

CONTACT: Worth Corp., San Jose Robert G. Sharpe, 408/436-7467

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TAMPA, FL (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Silk Greenhouse Inc. (NASDAQ:SGHI) announced Thursday that the company sustained a net loss of approximately $15.0 million for the quarter ended Oct. 31, or a net loss of $1.57 per share, as compared to net earnings of $1.1 million during the third quarter of the prior fiscal year, or net earnings of 12 cents per share.

Net sales for the quarter ended Oct. 31, were $24.0 million, as compared to $21.9 million for the comparable period of the prior fiscal year. For the nine months ended Oct. 31, sales were $75.8 million compared to $53.8 million for the comparable period, with a cumulative loss of $33.6 million ($3.54 per share) compared to earnings of $1.7 million (17 cents per share) for the comparable period last year.

The net losses are the result of relative increases in all major categories of expenses during the nine months ended Oct. 31 as well as additional inventory reserves recorded during the third quarter of fiscal year 1991.

As previously announced, the company, on Nov. 30, filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the federal Bankruptcy laws. The company has been approved by the Court to continue to operate the business. The company is meeting obligations as they come due with funds provided from continuing operations.

As part of the company's efforts to reduce costs, it has closed 40 under-performing stores. Fifty-eight stores remain open throughout the country, primarily in the eastern United States.

Silk Greenhouse, through its 58 retail stores, sells silk and other artificial trees, flowers and plants, paper and party products and wedding supplies, Christmas trim-a-tree and floral supplies.

CONTACT: Silk Greenhouse Inc., Tampa
L. Duane Cheek, 813/622-7886

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WAYNE, PA (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Laurentian Capital Corp., a life insurance holding company based in Philadelphia, announced that at a special meeting held on Dec. 27, the company's stockholders approved an amendment to the company's certificate of incorporation to effect a one-for-two reverse split of the company's issued and outstanding 5-cents par value common stock.

The stock split will become effective on Jan. 1, 1991. In lieu of issuing any fractional shares resulting from the reverse split, the company will pay stockholders cash for fractional shares based on the average of the daily closing prices per share for the stock for the 10 business days preceding the effective date.

After the effective date of the reverse split, the transfer agent for the company's common stock, Pittsburgh National Bank, will transmit replacement stock certificates and cash in lieu of fractional shares, if any, to holders of record of the company's common stock, without further action by stockholders.

Laurentian Capital Corp. (ASE:LQ) has assets in excess of $875 million and total life insurance in force in excess of $7 billion. Laurentian's primary life insurance subsidiaries are Loyal American Life Insurance Co., of Mobile, Ala.; Prairie States Life Insurance Co., of Rapid City, S.D. and American Defender Life Insurance Co., of Raleigh, N.C.

CONTACT: Laurentian Capital Corp., Wayne
G. Alan Lansdell, 215/889-7400

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WASHINGTON, DC (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - The Riggs National Bank of Washington, D.C. has reached an agreement in principle to ''outsource'' to IBM operational responsibility for Riggs' data center, data communications and voice communications under a long-term systems operations agreement, the two companies announced Thursday.

Riggs is the largest bank based in the District of Columbia. Riggs and IBM said they expect a definitive agreement to be signed in January.

Riggs officials said the agreement would improve service to their customers, provide the benefits of technological changes as they occur and allow the bank to accurately forecast future technology costs. The bank said it also expects to reduce expenses as a result of the relationship.

Riggs officials said the bank has been examining outsourcing certain operations and communications functions for the past eighteen months as part of an ongoing effort to improve efficiency and reduce costs. The agreement with IBM calls for transferring operational responsibility for computer and telecommunication systems to IBM while Riggs would retain its programming staff, which supports retail and cash management products and services.

Some 75 employees at Riggs will be affected by the agreement, the majority of whom will have the opportunity to be part of the new operation. All affected employees will remain with the bank during a transition period estimated to be approximately 90 days.

CONTACT: Riggs National Bank of Washington, D.C., Washington, D.C.
David Palombi, 202/835-5156
or
IBM Corp., White Plains
Ray Meurer, 914/642-4644.

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SYDNEY, Australia (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - Westpac Banking Corp. (NYSE:WBK)

announced Thursday that it has agreed to acquire Southland Building and Investment Society (SBIS), subject to approval by the society's membership.

The terms of the agreement provide for the Society to convert to a company and sell all its shares to Westpac.

The terms of the agreement will be recommended to members by the board of SBIS for ratification at an extraordinary meeting in February.

Westpac's General Manager for New Zealand, George Stoopin welcomed the link with New Zealand's largest building society.

''SBIS has a proud record spanning well over 100 years. We value that record and intend that the Society will continue to operate, under our ownership, as a separate entity,'' Stoopin said. ''The Society has assets of about $NZ400 million and over 50,000 members.

''Application to the Reserve Bank of New Zealand for a full banking license will be made,'' Stoopin said.

''The Southland Building and Investment Society is an efficient provider of financial services. We wish to preserve the society's existing business and strong market position. We believe that the Society's customers will benefit from the strength of the Westpac Group and its wide range of banking products and electronic banking services,'' Stoopin added.

Westpac Banking Corp. is an international financial services group headquartered in Australia with operations extending offshore to 29 countries.

In its home markets of Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, and the South West Pacific, Westpac offers a full range of banking and financial services.

Specialized services are provided through the Westpac offices in Asia, Europe and the United States.

CONTACT: Westpac Banking Corp., New York
Elaine Svensson, 212/551-2775.

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EL PASO, TX (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - El Paso Electric Co. (EPE) announced Thursday that it will file Friday for its fourth increase under the terms of the Rate Moderation Plan ordered by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) in 1988 (Docket No. 7460), and for the recovery -- through a similar rate moderation plan involving three annual cash increases -- of the Texas portion of the company's investment in Palo Verde Unit 3.

Both plans provide for the phase-in of the costs associated with the company's investment in the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station by restricting cash increases in early years and deferring revenue requirements over those cash increases for future recovery.

The total amount of the company's requested cash increase in this filing, net of fuel, is approximately $34.2 million (a 12.1 percent increase). The cash increase includes approximately $7.6 million for the fourth step of the Rate Moderation Plan for Units 1 and 2, and approximately $30.4 million for the first step for inclusion of Unit 3 in base rates.

The requested $34.2 million cash increase reflects fuel savings of approximately $3.8 million. El Paso Electric is requesting that its current fixed fuel factor be decreased from $0.01746 to $0.01560 per kilowatt-hour, which will keep EPE's fuel rate among the lowest in the state of Texas. New rates resulting from PUCT action on the filing are expected by mid- to late-1991.

The Unit 3 part of the filing requests additional cash increases of two 11.5 percent increases in 1992 and 1993, respectively. The Rate Moderation Plan for Units 1 and 2 runs through 1997. The Unit 3 plan is expected to last until 1999. The company anticipates a consolidation of the two plans into a single set of rates in this case and subsequent Commission proceedings.

The company is engaged in negotiations with the city of El Paso concerning the proposed rate increase and inclusion of Unit 3 in base rates. EPE President and Chairman of the Board Davis H. Wiggs Jr. reiterated the company's commitment to pursuing a settlement at the local level, and stressed this filing does not indicate an end to these negotiations.

As allowed under the terms of the Units 1 and 2 Rate Moderation Plan (Docket No. 7460), the company's filing includes the 3.5 percent increase ($7.6 million) in cash base rates, excluding fuel costs.

Docket No. 7460 also provided EPE with the opportunity to file for reasonable expenses and a fair return on Palo Verde Unit 3, which has previously not been included in the company's Texas rate base structure. This filing is in conformance with that provision.

Based on EPE's filing, including fuel costs, EPE's average residential bill of 500 kilowatt-hours of electricity would increase to $51.14. Currently, the average residential bill of 500 kilowatt-hours is $45.92. In comparison, the average residential bill in 1983 was $52.01 for 500 kilowatt-hours.

CONTACT: El Paso Electic Co., El Paso
Alan Lee Bunnell, 915/543-5823.

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#90361b0797 12/27/1990 ~Business Wire
LAGUNA HILLS, CA (DEC. 27) BUSINESS WIRE - William and Clarissa Inc. Thursday announced that Scott Paper Co. has terminated discussions relating to the recently announced proposal for Scott to market the company's principal products, the Kids William and Clarissa line.

The company is continuing to explore alternatives through its investment banker but, in light of this latest development, the company is currently cutting back its staff and is considering other measures to conserve its assets.

CONTACT: William and Clarissa Inc., Laguna Hills
William A. Meyer, 415/677-9777

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Vital Sign Inc.(TICKER: VITL).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$38,465,000	$30,198,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$4,900,000	$3,490,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.53	$0.37
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	9,314,000	$9,311,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$41,131,000	$16,142,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$28,454,000	$12,540,000

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#90361c0004 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 12, 1990, the shareholders of AFN Inc.(TICKER: AMFN) voted in favor of the recapitalization of the company by a reverse split of the company's common stock.

The reverse split is on the basis of an exchange of 2 shares for 11 shares of

common stock.

This recapitalization shall be effective Jan. 4, 1991.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Ultimap International Corp.(TICKER: UMAP).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,606,405	$1,417,922
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(289,074)	$18,523
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.03)	$0.01
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,425,169	5,127,089

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,203,185	2,935,569
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,905,078	$96,463

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Normandy Oil and Gas Co. Inc.(TICKER: NMDY).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$924,541	$824,555
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(353,788)	$(251,418)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,454,610	5,039,985

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990

TOTAL ASSETS	$9,408,674	$10,303,918
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,476,150	$3,816,286

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Auto-Trol Technology Corp.(TICKER: ATTC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$79,453,000	$77,396,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,318,000)	$(2,444,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.19)	$(0.36)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	6,813,000	6,773,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$40,556,000	$44,328,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$25,229,000	$25,709,000

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Asha Corp.(TICKER: ASHA).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$696,282	$818,946
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(680,726)	$(457,464)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	550,339,115	546,640,609

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$1,965,552	$2,643,161
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,943,001	$2,566,854

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#90361c0009 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 21, 1990, Tabor Environmental Services Inc.(TICKER: TABR) consummated the purchase of a 40 percent interest in Drummaster Corp.

Drummaster Corp. was formed in Oct. 1990 for the purpose of acquiring the Drummaster solvent recovery product line.

The cost of the purchase was 40,000 shares of Tabor common stock and guarantee of a $150,000 bank loan.

Tabor has the right to acquire 100 percent of Drummaster at any time over a five-year period.

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#90361c0011 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 13, 1990, Vermont Financial Services Corp.(TICKER: VFSC) declared a dividend of $0.15 per share payable on Jan. 25, 1991 to holders of record on Dec. 27, 1990.

This dividend represents a $0.10 per share reduction from the quarterly dividend of $0.25 per share paid for the prior seven quarters.

At the same time, the company's wholly owned subsidiary, Vermont National Bank established a provision of approximately $8 million to the reserve for loan losses for the fourth quarter.

This provision will result in a fourth quarter loss for Vermont Financial and is expected to substantially reduce Vermont Financial's net income for the year from approximately $3.3 million previously reported for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

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#90361c0012 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that Schwerman Trucking Co.(TICKER: SRTR) was recently notified that one of its principal shippers, Lone Star Industries Inc.(TICKER: LCE), filed a Chapter 11 petition on Dec. 10, 1990 for reorganization under the Federal bankruptcy laws.

Lone Star had accounted for motor carrier operating revenues of approximately $9 million in fiscal 1990 out of total company revenues of $52.2 million in that same time period.

Schwerman reports it has approximately $750,000 of receivables due and payable which were stayed by the filing of Lone Star's bankruptcy petition.

Schwerman believes these monies will eventually be paid after reorganization efforts take place.

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#90361c0013 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest annual report filed at the NASD by Standard Federal Savings and Loan Association (TICKER:STFD).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$1,623,000	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(5,861,000)	$(6,048,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(5.33)	$(5.50)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$329,206,000	$430,442,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,239,000	$5,519,000

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#90361c0014 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Eico Electronic Instrument Co. Inc.(TICKER: EICO).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$778,656	$767,168
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$143,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$307,769	$297,455
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.51	$0.73
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	604,450	604,478

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,928,075	$1,692,576
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,592,254	$1,435,598

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#90361c0015 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that Tenneco Minerals Co. has advised the Nome Gold Joint Venture that it is withdrawing from the Anvil Creek I, Anvil Creek II, Rock Creek I and Rock Creek II mining venture agreements effective immediately.

Aspen Exploration (TICKER: ASPN) hold a 70 percent interest in the Nome Gold Joint Venture and Northern Gold Co. has a 30 percent share.

As a result, Tenneco Minerals will not make the payments required to Nome Gold Joint Venture in Feb. 1991 nor any payments thereafter.

Aspen Exploration is seeking to identify other possible joint venture partners to continue development of the properties.

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#90361c0016 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 13, 1990, Execufirst Bancorp (TICKER: FXBC) appointed Coopers & Lybrand as its independent accountants, replacing Laventhol & Horwath which filed for bankruptcy under Chapter 11.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

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#90361c0017 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - Levon Resources Ltd.(TICKER: LVNV) filed a form 6-K with the NASD stating on Dec. 12, 1990 Levon terminated its subsidiary's option on the Carbonate Hill mineral property located at Cripple Creek,

Colorado.

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#90361c0019 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Pharmakinetics Labs Inc.(TICKER: PKLB).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$4,466,577	$6,663,978
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(768,778)	$(393,493)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.08)	$(0.04)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	10,085,314	9,197,307

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	June 30, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$23,959,868	$26,197,321
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$5,978,772	$6,693,163

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#90361c0020 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 27) COMTEX - FPL Group Inc.(TICKER: FPL), the Jupiter Beach, Fla., parent of Florida Power & Light Co., has sold 9.3 percent or 12.4 million common shares to its employee thrift plan for $29 a share or $360 million, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 26, 1990.

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#90361c0021 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 27) COMTEX - RJR Nabisco Holdings (TICKER: RN) has filed suit in state court in North Carolina to block the release of an auditing report calling for the reduction of the price RJR Nabisco received in the sale of its Brazilian operations to Dibrell Brothers Inc. of Danville, Va.

In a suit filed Nov. 9 in Forsyth County Superior Court, RJR is seeking to block the release of an audit report by Ernst & Young that would result in the reduction in the price paid by Dibrell Brothers on April 19 for R.J. Reynolds

Tobaccos do Brazil Ltd. from $50 million to $16 million, Details of the suit were contained in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

RJR claims that the release of the report would force the company to repay the difference with interest within five business days.

The court has granted RJR an injunction barring release of the audit.

RJR claims Ernst & Young's valuation is inconsistent with the accounting method required by the purchase agreement and that Ernst & Young acted improperly in its audit.

The suit seeks damages from Ernst & Young, claiming Dibrell Brothers encouraged the accounting firm to favor it.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 26, 1990.

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#90361c0022 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 27) COMTEX - Timonium, Md.-based Kirschner Medical Corp. (TICKER: KMDC) has completed the sale of its Chick Surgical Systems Division to CSS Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Midmark Corp., for $6.1 million and the assumption of $727,000 in liabilities, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 26, 1990.

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#90361c0023 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 27) COMTEX - Spokane, Wash.-based Washington Water Power Corp.(TICKER: WWP) has agreed to acquire the natural-gas distribution assets of CP National Corp., a subsidiary of ALLTEL Corp., for $85 million.

CP National's gas-distribution system serves about 43,000 customers in Oregon, California and Nevada, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

The deal is subject to approval by utility regulators in those states.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 26, 1990.

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#90361c0024 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 27) COMTEX - Beverly Hills, Calif.-based MSR Exploration Ltd.(TICKER: MSR) has acquired Houston Petroleum Corp., an oil and gas exploration company that operates mainly in the upper Texas Gulf Coast, in a stock swap, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 26, 1990.

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#90361c0025 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - Starstream Communications Group Inc. (TICKER: SCGI) filed a registration statement with the NASD in which it proposes to offer one unit to an investor priced at $300,000.

The unit consists of 300,000 shares of Starstream common stock and a common stock purchase warrant to purchase 120,000 shares of common stock on or before Nov. 30, 1993 at $0.50 per share.

In addition, the company is registering i) the resale of 1,289,283 shares of common stock presently outstanding, ii) the resale of outstanding common stock purchase warrants to purchase an aggregate of 1,660,000 shares of common stock at $0..50 per share, 100,000 shares of common stock at $0.80 per share, and 20,000 shares of common stock at $1.00 per share, on or prior to Nov. 30, 1993.

Starstream is engaged primarily in the production and distribution of national sponsored radio promotions, customized music and audio cassettes, LPs and compact discs in Poland.

-30- 1132

#90361c0027 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 19, 1990, American Life Holding Co. issued $20 million of 11.5% non-convertible subordinated debentures due Dec. 31, 2002 in a private placement transaction.

American Life is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Statesman Group.

Proceeds from the debenture issue were invested in preferred stock and surplus notes of American Life & Casualty Insurance Co., The Stateman Group's primary life insurance subsidiary.

-30- 665

#90361c0028 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - Elron Electronic Industries Ltd.(TICKER: ELRN)

filed a Form 6-K with the NASD stating on Dec. 7, 1990, its affiliate, Optrotech Ltd.(TICKER: OPTK), announced it signed an agreement wiht Orbot Systems Ltd.

The agreement provides for the merger of Optrotech and Orbot.

Elron says the purpose of the merger is to form a joint company that will become a world leader in the manufacture and sale of inspection eqiupment and a producer of CAD/CAM systems, for the electronics industry, as well as for other industries.

-30- 719

#90361c0029 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Temtex Industries Inc.(TICKER: TMTX).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Aug. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$26,473,000	$36,206,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(2,023,000)	$(2,116,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.82)	$(0.86)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$15,263,000	$16,586,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,084,000	$5,107,000

-30- 993

#90361c0030 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows that Thomas J. Jahl and Willem F.P. de Vogel were elected directors of Interfund Corp.(TICKER: IFND) effective July 2, 1990.

Effective Oct. 23, 1990, Messrs. Jahl and Vogel resigned from their positions as directors of the company and from all other company positions.

Their successors have not yet been elected. In the interim, Clarence A. McGowan is serving as the company's acting chief executive officer.

On Sept. 21, 1990, a creditor's petition for involuntary bankruptcy Chapter 7

was filed by on eof the company's creditors with respect to a contingent liability in the amount of $38,459.

The creditor and the company filed a joint motion to dismiss the involuntary bankruptcy proceeding on Nov. 2, 1990.

On Dec. 6, 1990, the court ordered that the joint motion to dismiss the case be granted, and that the contested involuntary petition is dismissed by agreement of the parties.

-30- 1159

#90361c0031 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by DCX Inc.(TICKER: DCXI).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$2,176,811	3,090,705
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$4,701	$121,162
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$7,833	$324,024
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.12
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,809,452	2,809,452

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$6,046,788	$6,285,989
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$2,930,161	$2,922,328

-30- 1027

#90361c0032 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Stuarts Department Stores.(TICKER: STUS).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended Nov. 2, 1990	Three Months Ended Oct. 28, 1989
REVENUES	$38,084,123	$27,802,763
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(295,992)	$(39,380)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.07)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,301,435	4,301,585

BALANCE SHEET

	Nov. 3, 1990	Feb. 3, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$60,056,056	$48,037,562
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$16,389,127	$16,985,499

-30- 1136

#90361c0033 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 11, 1990, Firstbank of Illinois Co.(TICKER: FBIC) announced the signing of a definitive agreement to acquire PBM Bancorp Inc.

PBM operates two southern Illinois subsidiaries, Peoples Bank of Marion and Rend Lake Bank of Christopher.

PBM, headquartered in Marion, Illinois, had consolidated assets of approximately $76 million at Sept. 30, 1990.

-30- 574

#90361c0035 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

T. KINNEY OWNS 2,404,732 SHARES (17.00%) OF TELLUS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TLLS).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Kinney acquired 560,006 shares and 1,844,727 shares in Kinney's name were placed in escrow, to be released over a four-year period, according to an agreement through which Professional Marketing Inc. was acquired by the company in a stock-for-stock exchange.

PURPOSE:

To acquire a controlling interest.

-30- 621

#90361c0036 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 20

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Maxxam Inc., et al. is no longer interested in the company's restructuring proposal since the FDIC is no longer willing to pursue settlement of claims it has alleged against the company.

-30- 420
#90361c0037 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY TIGER MANAGEMENT CORP. OWNS 315,500 SHARES (6.00%) OF GOOD GUYS INC.(TICKER: GGUY) OF SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 15 to Dec. 14, 1990, Tiger Management Corp., et al. bought 255,500 shares at $12.87 to $15.75 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 501
#90361c0038 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP. OWNS 281,620 SHARES (7.80%) OF CAPITAL SOUTHWEST CORP.(TICKER: CSWC) OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 30, 1990 to Dec. 14, 1990, Harris Associates LP., et al. sold 28,400 shares at $17.51 to $19.76 each.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 495
#90361c0039 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

J.B. HAWKINS OWNS 255,292 SHARES (11.50%) OF SENSOR CONTROL CORP. (TICKER: SNCO) OF FREMONT, CALIFORNIA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Dec. 17, 1990, J.B. Hawkins bought 100,000 shares for $125,000 from Pillar Corp.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 448
#90361c0040 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

GROUP LED BY R.M. HEARIN OWNS 1,368,179 SHARES (13.90%) OF TRUSTMARK CORP. (TICKER: TRMK) OF JACKSON, MICHIGAN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Hearin died on Nov. 28, 1990. The filers qualified as executors on Dec. 7.

a -- Letters testamentary. b -- Power of attorney of Robert M. Hearin Jr. to E.E. Laird Jr.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Robert Hearin, deceased, bought 29,376 shares between Oct. 16 and Nov. 1, 1990 at $17.20 to $17.50 each.

PURPOSE:

Change in number of shares held as a result of the death of Robert Hearin.

-30- 724

#90361c0041 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY NORTHLAKE INVESTMENTS BVI LTD. OWNS 10,561,091 SHARES (35.80%) OF NIAGARA CORP.(TICKER: NIAG) OF FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Northlake Investments BVI, et al. acquired 2,333,335 shares at $.43 to $.75 each on June 30, 1990.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 511

#90361c0043 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

UNILABS HOLDINGS SA OF GENEVA, SWITZERLAND OWNS 12,556,947 SHARES (47.00%) OF UNILAB CORP.(TICKER: ULAB) OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 18, 1990, a wholly owned subsidiary of Unilab Holdings SA, MetPath Inc. and certain other of Unilab Holdings SA's shareholders entered into a stock acquisition agreement through which MetPath acquired 1,592,500 Unilabs common shares for Unilab Holdings SA's subsidiary for 9,100 of Unilab Holdings SA's bearer shares. The entire exchange of shares in which Unilab Holdings SA would exchange the balance of its 12.5 million company common shares is expected to be completed on Jan. 11, 1991.

PURPOSE:

Stock acquisition agreement.

-30- 901

#90361c0044 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

C. LYNCH OWNS 251,887 SHARES (12.36%) OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPERS CO. OF HINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

C. Lynch acquired her shares pursuant to a divorce settlement on June 4, 1990. Ms. Lynch entered into a voting trust agreement on the same date that gives voting power to her former husband, Bruce Lynch, but she retains the power to sell or transfer the shares.

PURPOSE:

For investment and resale.

-30- 623
#90361c0045 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 3

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 19, 1990, the court modified the order entered on Dec. 17, 1990. The parties agreed that the payment of salaries to employees of the company or the sale of securities of the company by individuals would not violate the modified order.

-30- 473
#90361c0046 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

GROUP LED BY NOEL GROUP INC. OWNS 5,873,700 SHARES (25.02%) OF GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES INC.(TICKER: GNR) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Noel Group Inc., et al. purchased 120,000 shares on Dec. 7, 1990 in a private transaction for $810,000 and an additional 558,700 shares from Oct. 19 to Dec. 6, 1990 for $6.13 to $7 per share.

PURPOSE:

To achieve previously stated goal of obtaining at least a 25 percent ownership in Global Natural Resources Inc.

-30- 691
#90361c0047 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY PURNENDU CHATTERJEE OWNS 1,026,800 SHARES (5.70%) OF PANSOPHIC SYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: PNS) OF LISLE, ILLINOIS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Purnendu Chatterjee, et al. purchased 806,800 shares from Oct. 29 to Dec. 20, 1990 for $7 to $8.25 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 512
#90361c0048 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 11

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 585,962 SHARES (13.26%) OF COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: CSII).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Oct. 24 to Dec. 20, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc., et al. purchased 6,050 shares for $5.13 to $5.88 per share and sold 134,541 shares for $5.25 to $6.13 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment

-30- 564
#90361c0049 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

R.E. COOK OF RESTON, VIRGINIA OWNS 1,591,151 SHARES (15.56%) OF SYSTEMS CENTER

INC.(TICKER: SMX) OF RESTON, VIRGINIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.E. Cook acquired 126,548 shares on Dec. 21, 1990 pursuant to a merger agreement dated Aug. 9, 1990 in which UNITECH Software Inc. became a subsidiary of Systems Center Inc.

PURPOSE:

Acquisition of shares pursuant to merger agreement.

-30- 581
#90361c0051 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA OWNS 11,159,773 SHARES (29.70%) OF SHL SYSTEMHOUSE INC. (TICKER: SHKI) OF OTTOWA, CANADA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Royal Bank of Canada ultimate objective is to dispose of the pledged securities as soon as reasonably possible and to maximize the realizable value of such shares. Royal Bank of Canada sent notice on Dec. 20, 1990 to the Royal Trust Co. exercising its right of the KTC Trust Indenture to exchange the $15 million KTC debenture and the $5,325,000 KTC debenture for 756,279 SHL common shares.

-30- 736
#90361c0052 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 10

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 21, 1990, Balfour Maclaine Corp. sold their equity and debt interests in American Vision Center to AVC Equity LP and AVC Debt LP.

PURPOSE:

Sale of shares.

-30- 401
#90361c0053 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The NASD announced at 13:06 that trade in Progressive Bank Inc.(NASDAQ: PSBK) has been resumed. The first sale was 3 1/8; up 1/8 point from the halt, and up 1/4 point from the previous close.

-30- 366
#90361c0054 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

ANNOUNCEMENT:

NCR Corp.(TICKER: NCR) issued an employee newsletter on Dec. 21, 1990.

-30- 255
#90361c0056 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

L.L. SCHOENBRUN OF DALLAS, TEXAS OWNS 723,340 SHARES (13.50%) OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN) OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On an unspecified date, L.L. Schoenbrun acquired 605,052 shares in exchange for 28,900 preferred shares and the exercise of a warrant to purchase 272,702 shares at $.40 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 555
#90361c0057 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

E.W. ROSE III OF DALLAS, TEXAS OWNS 1,897,146 SHARES (35.30%) OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN) OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On an unspecified date, E.W. Rose III acquired 1,542,750 shares in exchange for 59,300 preferred shares and the exercise of a warrant to purchase 860,800 shares at $.40 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 553
#90361c0058 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

M.B. PAYNE OF DALLAS, TEXAS OWNS 643,906 SHARES (12.00%) OF RUBICON CORP. (TICKER: RBCN) OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On an unspecified date, M.B. Payne acquired 451,700 shares in exchange for 59,300 preferred shares and the exercise of a warrant to purchase 329,800 shares at $.40 per share.

PURPOSE:

For investment.

-30- 540
#90361c0060 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY GLOBAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES LTD. OWNS 9,555,318 SHARES (56.30%) OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: NPSI) OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The November transaction between GFR and the Company was for the purpose of meeting the working capital needs of the Company and to be able to continue operation.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 20, 1990, Global Financial Resources Ltd. purchased 2,000,000 shares

of common stock pursuant to the common stock purchase agreement for an aggregate purchase price of $100,000.

-30- 770
#90361c0061 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 12

PENNZOIL CO. OF HOUSTON, TEXAS OWNS 32,799,900 SHARES (9.40%) OF CHEVRON CORP. (TICKER: CHV) OF SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 24, 1990, the Internal Revenue Service granted Pennzoil's application for an extension of the time period during which Pennzoil may invest proceeds from the Texaco settlement in Shares for the purposes of qualifying such investment in Shares as property "similar or related in service or use to" property involuntarily converted by Texaco. The IRS action extends from Dec. 31, 1990 until May 31, 1991 the period of time within which Shares may be purchased for such purposes. On Nov. 16, 1990 a District Judge, denied the Chevron Corp.'s motion for reconsideration in Chevron Corp. v. Pennzoil Co., pending in U.S. District Court. On Nov. 30, 1990, Judge Conti entered the judgment granting Pennzoil's motion for summary judgment in accordance with the Court's previous order re motion for summary judgment of Sept. 19, 1990. On Dec. 14, 1990, Chevron Corp. filed a notice of appeal.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Dec. 3 through Dec. 19, 1990, Pennzoil Co. purchased 1,275,400 shares at a price of $69.06 to $70.97 per share.

PURPOSE:

Extension of investment time period.

-30- 1451
#90361c0062 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D9

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Dec. 24, 1990, MCA Inc.(TICKER: MCA) announced that the Federal Communications Commission has issued an order consenting to the

transfer of WWOR-TV's license to a company all of the outstanding stock of which will be spun off to MCA stockholders as a dividend immediately prior to consummation of the tender offer commenced by a subsidiary of Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. On Dec. 21, 1990, the U.S. District court for the Southern District of New York denied the motion made by a plaintiff in a purported class action for a preliminary injunction against the acquisition by Matsushita of MCA. The Court also granted defendants' motion to dismiss the complaint. On Dec. 21, 1990, Go-Video filed a motion in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit seeking an injunction pending appeal from the ruling of the Federal District Court in Arizona denying Go-Video's request for a temporary restraining order against Matsushita's acquisition of MCA.

-30- 1205
#90361c0063 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

C.I. FEURZEIG OWNS 248,535 SHARES (17.50%) OF SDNB FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: SDNB) OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

A Form 4 for November 1990 is being filed with the SEC.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 413
#90361c0064 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

IMETAL OWNS 7,023,040 SHARES (28.63%) OF CSC INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: CPSL) OF WARREN, OHIO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 20, 1990, the exchange of the Imetal Note for 2,400,000 shares of common stock pursuant to the First Amendment was consummated by the parties thereto.

PURPOSE:

Securities exchange.

-30- 506
#90361c0065 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY CORNING INC. CORNING, NEW YORK OWNS 8,819,993 SHARES (30.40%) OF UNILAB CORP.(TICKER: ULAB) OF IRVING, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 19, 1990, pursuant to a stock acquisition agreement of Dec. 17, 1990 between Coronaut, certain shareholders of Unilabs Holdings, and MetPath, MetPath purchased 1,592,500 shares of common stock from Coronaut A.V.V., which acquired such shares on Dec. 18, 1990 from Unilabs Holdings S.A. in exchange for 9100 bearer shares of Unilabs Holdings S.A. capital stock owned by MetPath.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

Pursuant to an amendment agreement dated s of Oct. 22, 1990 between MetWest Inc., Unilab Corp., MetPath and David J. Bush, MetPath acquired on Nov. 1, 1990 from Mr. Bush an additional 333,333 shares of common stock for purchase consideration of $1,666,666, of which $666,666 was paid directly to Unilab Corp. by MetPath in connection with Mr. Bush's exercise of his options.

PURPOSE:

Share exchange.

-30- 1169
#90361c0066 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

G. BURKE OWNS 4,852,468 SHARES (35.00%) OF TELLUS INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TLLS).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Professional Marketing Inc. was acquired in a stock for stock exchange by Tellus Industries Inc. Under the agreement, Mr. Burke received 1,130,004 shares of common stock in Tellus and 3,722,364 shares in Mr. Burke's name were placed in escrow. The escrowed stock will be released over a four-year period

based upon an earn out formula.

PURPOSE:

To acquire controlling interest in Tellus Industries Inc.

-30- 719
#90361c0068 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 2

GROUP LED BY SMITHFIELD FOODS INC. OWNS 276,300 SHARES (9.20%) OF THORN APPLE VALLEY INC.(TICKER: TAVI) OF SOUTHFIELD, MICHIGAN.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 7, 1990, Smithfield purchased 12,500 shares at a price of $7.88 to $8.88 per share.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 494
#90361c0069 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 4

GROUP LED BY A. BERGVALL OWNS 974,200 SHARES (23.88%) OF B&H OCEAN CARRIERS LTD.(TICKER: BHO) OF HAMILTON, BERMUDA.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 5, 1990 through Dec. 19, 1990, A. Bergvall, et al. purchased 90,000 shares at a price of $9.25 to $11 per share.

-30- 477
#90361c0070 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

MITCHELL CORP. OF OWOSSO, MICHIGAN OWNS 522,174 SHARES (16.06%) OF NEWCOR INC.

(TICKER: NEW) OF TROY, MICHIGAN.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 11, 1990, Mitchell Corp. granted to William A. Lawson an option to acquire all of the corporation's Newcor Inc. common stock of 522,174 shares. The option period is for two years beginning Dec. 11, 1990 with an exercise price of $10.28 per share the first year, and $11.02 if exercised in the second year. The option shares and the exercise price is subject to adjustment for stock splits, stock dividends or other capital reorganizations that may occur during the option period.

-30- 836
#90361c0071 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 6

FMR CORP. OF BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OWNS 1,538,328 SHARES (4.96%) OF KANSAS GAS & ELECTRIC (TICKER: KGE) OF WICHITA, KANSAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

FMR is no longer the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the shares outstanding and has no further reporting obligation to the SEC.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Dec. 10, through 17, 1990, FMR Corp. sold 74,100 shares at a price of $26.71 to $26.79 per share.

-30- 615
#90361c0072 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

P.N. TEMPLE OWNS 3,450,000 SHARES (5.77%) OF ENERCAP CORP. (TICKER: ENCP) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From April 16, 1990 through Nov. 16, 1990, P.N. Temple sold 5,592,435 shares at a price of $0.19 to $1.38 per share and gifted 160,000 shares.

-30- 455
#90361c0073 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 18

PENTANE PARTNERS LP OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS (5.00%) OF TESORO PETROLEUM CORP.(TICKER: TSO) OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Dec. 14, 1990, Pentane commenced a distribution to the partners of Pentane, in proportion to their individual partnership interests in Pentane, of a sufficient number of shares of common stock of Tesoro Petroleum Corp., so as to result in Pentane being the beneficial owner of less than five percent of the outstanding shares of common stock.

PURPOSE:

Stock distribution.

-30- 737
#90361c0074 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 23, 1990, Troy Partners LP tendered 2,713 shares at a price per share of $800.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 336
#90361c0076 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 7

GLB HARCOURT BRACE JOVANOVICH INC. RETIREMENT PLAN OWNS 14,077,547 SHARES (19.31%) OF HARCOURT BRACE JOVANOVICH INC.(TICKER: HBJ) OF ORLANDO, FLORIDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As the result of the engagement by the Company of Marine Midland Bank, N.A. to serve as institutional trustee of the retirement plan trust and the adoption of certain amendments to the retirement plan modifying the voting rights of the retirement plan trust with respect to shares of common stock held by the retirement plan, the retirement plan and the retirement plan trust are eligible to report information concerning the shares of common stock beneficially owned by them by filing a short form statement on schedule 13G. Accordingly, this amendment no. 7, upon its filing with the Commission, terminates the schedule 13D to which this amendment relates.

-30- 1052
#90361c0077 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

HALLWOOD CONSOLIDATED PARTNERS LP. OWNS 657,341 SHARES (7.70%) OF HALLWOOD ENERGY PARTNERS LP.(TICKER: HEP) OF DENVER, COLORADO.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

HCP acquired 328,731 units from HEP unitholders on Dec. 17, 1990 through an odd lot repurchase program sponsored by HEP. HEP unitholders owning 99 or fewer units as of Nov. 5, 1990 were eligible to participate in the repurchase program. HCP paid the average closing price for the units on the American Stock Exchange from Nov. 8 through Dec. 7, 1990, which was $9.262 per unit. HEP paid all other costs of the repurchase program which was extended to Dec. 24, 1990. HCP will acquire any additional units tendered by HEP unitholders at a price equal to the average closing price on the American Stock Exchange from Dec. 10, 1990 to Dec. 24, 1990.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

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SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 5

GROUP LED BY GAMCO INVESTORS INC. OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK OWNS 1,927,200 SHARES (11.37%) OF GEO INTERNATIONAL CORP.(TICKER: GX).

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Dec. 19 through Dec. 21, 1990, Gamco Investors Inc., et al. purchased 184,400 shares at a price of $1.13 to $1.50 per share, and sold 10,000 shares at a price of $1.13 to $1.38 per share.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Interface Systems Inc.(TICKER: INTF).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$37,083,032	$32,274,927
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,866,534	$2,844,140
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.44	$0.67

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$30,956,632	$29,088,620
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$22,755,874	$21,210,025

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#90361c0080 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Consolidated Equities Corp.(TICKER: CNEG).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$487,500	$683,577
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$(41,539)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(655,853)	$(248,451)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(1.00)	$(0.37)

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Dec. 31, 1989

TOTAL ASSETS	$11,669,395	$13,272,257
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(366,456)	$2,420,102

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#90361c0081 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows Eastern Bancorp Inc.(TICKER: VFBK) has appointed KPMG Peat Marwick as its independent accountants, replacing Ernst & Young.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

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#90361c0082 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Bishop Inc.(TICKER: BISH).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$10,520,000	$10,217,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,022,000)	$(355,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.43)	$(0.15)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	2,370,000	2,370,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$4,208,000	$4,086,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,456,000	$2,478,000

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#90361c0084 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Churchill Technology Inc.(TICKER: CHUR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,393,961	$924,309
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$374,000	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$201,887	$(687,336)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	60,713,475	51,316,418

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,553,608	$5,989,117
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,820,572	$2,130,640

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#90361c0085 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by American Plastics & Chemicals Inc.(TICKER: APAC).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Aug. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$242	$55,016
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(454,910)	$18,848
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(1,402,717)	$(329,055)

BALANCE SHEET

	Aug. 31, 1990	Aug. 31, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$5,496,322	$5,274,223
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(2,196,010)	$(810,210)

The company is a development stage firm which intends to engage in the business of developing, licensing, and exploiting certain proprietary technology which it has optioned in the field of cost-effective co-production of calcium carbide and sulfur-free gases from raw coal and raw limestone.

The company's executive office is located at 9841 Airport Blvd., Suite 714, Los Angeles, California 90045 and its telephone number is (213) 641-7771.

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#90361c0086 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10KQ report filed at the NASD by Twin Creek Exploration Co. Inc.(TICKER: TWCE).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$30,086	$49,775
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(68,247)	$(91,627)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.00	$0.00

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$171,507	$237,843
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$157,493	$225,740

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#90361c0087 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Apparel America Inc.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Oct. 31,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$15,782,000	$21,769,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(7,090,000)	$(568,000)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.98)	$(0.17)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	7,389,503	6,410,130

BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1990	Jan. 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$49,139,000	$59,864,000

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$(27,832,000)	$(27,832,000)

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#90361c0088 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 20, 1990, Applied Technology Systems Inc. extended the expiration period of its Class A warrants through May 11, 1992.

The warrants had been due to expire on Dec. 31, 1990.

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#90361c0089 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Northland Bank of Wisconsin.(TICKER: NLBW).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(200,000)	$334,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.40)	$0.68

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$130,825,000	$130,571,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$9,984,000	$10,555,000

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#90361c0090 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Good Times Restaurants Inc.(TICKER: GTIM).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$1,627,700	$1,235,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(425,700)	$(618,100)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.36)	$(1.12)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	1,194,244	550,000

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,528,300	$1,077,700
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$1,011,500	$(369,600)

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#90361c0092 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Black Industries Inc.(TICKER: BLAK).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$12,775,000	$12,905,554
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$1,297,520	$912,291
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$1.57	$0.98
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	826,222	830,500

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,984,034	$9,892,254
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$6,262,092	$5,670,461

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#90361c0093 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Alanco Resources Corp.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended Nov. 30,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$16,300	$18,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$(10,500)	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$(206,294)	$(117,475)
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$(0.01)	$(0.01)
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	21,441,240	$12,387,137

BALANCE SHEET

	Nov. 30, 1990	May 31, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,145,890	$10,264,011
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$8,375,421	$8,528,920

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#90361c0094 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Dec. 20, 1990, Lance Inc.(TICKER: LNCE) apppointed KPMG Peat Marwick as its independent accountants, replacing Deloitte & Touche.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

The former accountant's report on the financial statements for the past two years contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

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#90361c0095 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 7 1990, Simmons First National Bank entered into an agreement with the Resolution Trust Corp. wherein the bank, along with nine other financial institutions, would acquire the 16 offices located in 13 cities of First America Savings Bank of Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Simmons First National Bank assumed approximately $78 million in deposits and purchased loans through the Fort Smith South, Bella Vista, Rogers, and Springdale, Arkansas offices.

Simmons First National Bank is a wholly owned subsidiary and lead bank of Simmons First National Corp.

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#90361c0096 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-K report filed at the NASD by Library Bureau Inc.(TICKER: LBUR).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Years Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989

REVENUES	$15,397,895	$16,882,058
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$199,000
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$290,651	$450,907
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.12	$0.19

BALANCE SHEET

	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
TOTAL ASSETS	$8,135,046	$7,557,693
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$3,001,110	$2,710,459

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#90361c0097 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 1 1990, Jack's Inc. further extended the expiration period of its Class A warrants to June 30, 1991.

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#90361c0098 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The following is a summary of the latest 10-Q report filed at the NASD by Southwest Cafes Inc.(TICKER: TXMX) (formerly El Chico Corp.).

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

12 Weeks Ended Nov. 12,	1990	1989
REVENUES	$18,686,000	$18,871,000
EXTRAORDINARY GAIN (LOSS)	$0.00	$0.00
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	$0.00	$0.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	$57,000	$121,000
NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE	$0.01	$0.02
TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING	4,363,299	4,649,981

BALANCE SHEET

	Nov. 12, 1990	May 28, 1990
TOTAL ASSETS	$32,271,000	$33,791,000
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	$22,694,000	$23,139,000

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#90361c0100 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows effective Dec. 21, 1990, Science Dynamics Corp.(TICKER: SIDY) engaged Nemiroff, Cosmas, Titus and Colchamiro as its independent accountants, replacing Coopers & Lybrand.

In connection with the audits of the two most recent fiscal years and the subsequent interim period, there were no disagreements with the former accountant on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, or auditing scope or procedure.

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#90361c0101 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) COMTEX - The 8-K report filed at the SEC shows on Dec. 18, 1990, Sunlite International Inc.(TICKER: SNLT) purchased all of the outstanding stock of States Petroleum Inc.

The purchase price was $197,713 in cash.

Sunlite International is a subsidiary of Sunlite Inc.

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#90361c0102 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ADVENT INDUSTRIAL LP OF 45 MILK STREET, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02109, HAS FILED TO SELL 19,716 SHARES OF ALIAS RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: ADDD) THROUGH WESSELS ARNOLD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 24, 1990.

(ALIAS RESEARCH INC. TEL: 416 362-9181)

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#90361c0103 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - CAPITAL INTL CHESTNUT II OF 45 MILK STREET, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02109, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,315 SHARES OF ALIAS RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: ADDD) THROUGH WESSELS ARNOLD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 24, 1990.

(ALIAS RESEARCH INC. TEL: 416 362-9181)

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#90361c0104 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ADVENT CHESTNUT II LTD PRTNRSHP OF 45 MILK STREET, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02109, HAS FILED TO SELL 34,196 SHARES OF ALIAS RESEARCH INC. (TICKER: ADDD) THROUGH WESSELS ARNOLD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 24, 1990.

(ALIAS RESEARCH INC. TEL: 416 362-9181)

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#90361c0105 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DESIFTA LTD OF 45 MILK STREET, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02109, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,773 SHARES OF ALIAS RESEARCH INC.(TICKER: ADDD) THROUGH WESSELS ARNOLD. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 24, 1990.

(ALIAS RESEARCH INC. TEL: 416 362-9181)

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#90361c0106 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - D.R. HENNINGS OF 190 WELCOME RD, NEWCASTLE, CALIFORNIA 95658, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SUNRISE TECHNOLOGIES INC.(TICKER: SNRS) THROUGH THOMAS JAMES ASSOCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 21, 1990.

(SUNRISE TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 408 747-1690)

-30- 443
#90361c0108 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ARTHUR OIL CORP. OF 910 TRAVIS ST STE 1400, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002, HAS FILED TO SELL 400,000 SHARES OF BRODIE EXPLORATION CORP. THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC. 13, 1990.

(BRODIE EXPLORATION CORP. TEL: 713 739-0073)

-30- 426
#90361c0109 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL H MASLAK OF 1220 CHARLESTON ROAD, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,500 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 21, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

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#90361c0110 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SAMUEL H MASLAK OF 1220 CHARLESTON ROAD, MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043, HAS FILED TO SELL 32,500 SHARES OF ACUSON CORP. (TICKER: ACN) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 21, 1990.

(ACUSON CORP. TEL: 415 969-9112)

-30- 403
#90361c0111 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MORTON WYMAN OF 5 ASHLEY CT, WEST HAMPTON COURTS, ROCKY RIVER, OH 44116, HAS FILED TO SELL 22,771 SHARES OF AMERICAN GREETINGS CORP. (TICKER: AGRE) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 21, 1990.

(AMERICAN GREETINGS CORP. TEL: 216 252-7300)

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#90361c0112 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEROME M LEWINE OF 620 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10020, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SENSORMATIC ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SNSR) THROUGH JONATHAN R FOSTER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 21, 1990.

(SENSORMATIC ELECTRONICS CORP. TEL: 305 427-9700)

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#90361c0113 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PACIFIC PARTNERS OF 355 SOUTH GRAND, LOS ANGELES, CA 90071, HAS FILED TO SELL 93,130 SHARES OF XOMA CORP. (TICKER: XOMA) THROUGH CANTOR FITZGERALD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(XOMA CORP. TEL: 415 644-1170)

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#90361c0114 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEROLD O GUTMAN OF 14352 BAKER ST, WESTMINISTER, CA 92683, HAS FILED TO SELL 14,351 SHARES OF BERGEN BRUNSWIG CORP. (TICKER: BBC) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(BERGEN BRUNSWIG CORP. TEL: 714 385-4000)

-30- 426
#90361c0116 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DAVID S LEAVENWORTH OF 6526 IVYGLEN, 0, DALLAS, TX 75240, HAS FILED TO SELL 9,000 SHARES OF ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. (TICKER: BUD) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS. TEL: 314 577-3314)

-30- 419
#90361c0117 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BREWER C M REINSTATED PEN PLAN OF 100 GREAT MEADOW RD, STE#104, PUTNAM P WETHERFIELD, CT 06109, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH J W GARRETT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2409)

-30- 490
#90361c0118 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MICHAEL L KRANDA OF 12429 68TH AVE NE, KIRKLAND, WA 98034, HAS FILED TO SELL 6,589 SHARES OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX) THROUGH DAIN BOSWORTH INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(IMMUNEX CORP. TEL: 206 587-0430)

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#90361c0119 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEPHEN A DUZAN OF 51 UNIVERSITY ST, STE 600, SEATTLE, WA 98101, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF IMMUNEX CORP. (TICKER: IMNX) THROUGH KIDDER PEABODY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(IMMUNEX CORP. TEL: 206 587-0430)

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#90361c0120 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN H REMER OF C/O PACKAGE MACHINERY CO, 24 WEST STREET, STAFFORD SPRINGS, CT 06000, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF TELEFLEX INC. (TICKER: TFX) THROUGH ALEX BROWN & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(TELEFLEX INC. TEL: 215 948-5100)

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#90361c0121 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEROME M LEWINE OF 620 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10020, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF SENSORMATIC ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SNSR) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(SENSORMATIC ELECTRONICS CORP. TEL: 305 427-9700)

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#90361c0122 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHN P WIRNOWSKI OF 149 COMMONWEALTH DR, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF FAILURE GROUP INC. (TICKER: FAIL) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(FAILURE GROUP INC. TEL: 415 326-9400)

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#90361c0124 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DANIEL C BROWN OF 1515 E CALIFORNIA BLVD, PASADENA, CA 91106, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,722 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH EDWARD D

JONES & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

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#90361c0125 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOSEPH F SIVEL OF 41 CHAPMAN RD, 0, DOYLESTOWN, PA 18901, HAS FILED TO SELL 4,000 SHARES OF SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: SLTI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(SURGICAL LASER TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 647-8277)

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#90361c0126 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEROME M LEWINE OF 620 FIFTH AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10020, HAS FILED TO SELL 17,100 SHARES OF SENSORMATIC ELECTRONICS CORP. (TICKER: SNSR) THROUGH JONATHAN R FOSTER & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(SENSORMATIC ELECTRONICS CORP. TEL: 305 427-9700)

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#90361c0127 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD H TORAL OF 12522 VISTA PANORAMA, SANTA ANA, CA 92703, HAS FILED TO SELL 500,000 SHARES OF ADMAR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ADMR) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(ADMAR GROUP INC. TEL: 714 953-9600)

-30- 413
#90361c0128 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ISSIE KROLL OF 291 HILLSIDE AVE, CHATHAM, NJ 07928, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF VITAL SIGNS INC. (TICKER: VITL) THROUGH SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(VITAL SIGNS INC. TEL: 201 790-1330)

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#90361c0129 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALVIN L JOHNSON OF 46 ALTON CIRCLE, ROGERS, AR 72756, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,128 SHARES OF WAL-MART STORES INC. (TICKER: WMT) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(WAL-MART STORES INC. TEL: 501 273-4000)

-30- 411
#90361c0130 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - LEONARD BOSACK OF 590 THIAN WAY, PALO ALTO, CA 94306, HAS FILED TO SELL 37,500 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 409
#90361c0132 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ALFRED J NUCIFORA OF 3201 RILMAN RD, ATLANTA, GA 30327, HAS FILED TO SELL 33,951 SHARES OF THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. (TICKER: IPG) THROUGH DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS. TEL: 212 399-8000)

-30- 445
#90361c0133 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DEAN L BUNTROCK OF 3003 BUTTERFIELD RD, OAK BROOK, IL 60521, HAS FILED TO SELL 60,000 SHARES OF WASTE MANAGEMENT INC. (TICKER: WMX) THROUGH CHICAGO CORP. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(WASTE MANAGEMENT INC. TEL: 312 572-8800)

-30- 421
#90361c0134 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VENCAP INVESTMENT PTE LTD OF 2500 WALSH AVE, SANTA CLARA, CA 95051, HAS FILED TO SELL 50,000 SHARES OF RASTEROPS (TICKER: ROPS) THROUGH ROBERTSON STEPHENS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(RASTEROPS TEL: 408 562-4200)

-30- 411
#90361c0135 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JEAN P BOESPFLUG OF 1525 OBRIEN, MENLO PARK, CA 94025, HAS FILED TO SELL 40,000 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 415
#90361c0136 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DALE H BALLARD OF 2325 COTTONWOOD LANE, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84117, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF BALLARD MEDICAL PRODUCT (TICKER: BMED) THROUGH BEAR STEARNS & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(BALLARD MEDICAL PRODUCT TEL: 801 566-4693)

-30- 443
#90361c0137 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERNEST V JARVIS OF 1831 WEST SEQUOIA, ORANGE, CA 92668, HAS FILED TO SELL 20,000 SHARES OF BIRTCHER MEDICAL SYS INC. (TICKER: BIRT) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 21, 1990.

(BIRTCHER MEDICAL SYS INC. TEL: 714 753-9400)

-30- 433
#90361c0138 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - HOWARD O IRA WOLFE OF 10920 W LINCOLN AVE, WEST ALLIS, WI 53227, HAS FILED TO SELL 30,000 SHARES OF SULLIVAN DENTAL PRODUCTS INC. (TICKER: SULL) THROUGH CLEARY GULL REILAND. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 21,

1990.

(SULLIVAN DENTAL PRODUCTS INC. TEL: 414 321-8881)

-30- 448
#90361c0140 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - PHILIP SCHEIN OF 605 OLD GULPH RD, 0, BRYN MAWR, PA 19019, HAS FILED TO SELL 100,000 SHARES OF U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. (TICKER: UBS) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 21, 1990.

(U.S. BIOSCIENCE INC. TEL: 215 832-0570)

-30- 423
#90361c0141 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ROBERT M SHANAHAN OF 1550 KENSINGTON RD, SAN MARINO, CA 91108, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,216 SHARES OF CISCO SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CSCO) THROUGH MORGAN STANLEY & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 21, 1990.

(CISCO SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 415 326-1941)

-30- 420
#90361c0142 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - JOHNSON ERNIE & SON MP PLAN OF 100 GREAT MEADOW RD, PUTNAM PARK, SUITE 104 WETHERFIELD, CT 06109, HAS FILED TO SELL 15,000 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH J W GARRETT & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 21, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2400)

-30- 487
#90361c0143 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - MILTON OLSHAN OF 3400 GALT OCEAN DR, APT #1105 S, FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33308, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,000 SHARES OF NOVA PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. (TICKER: NOVX) THROUGH PRUDENTIAL-BACHE SECS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(NOVA PHARMACEUTICAL CORP. TEL: 301 522-7000)

-30- 453
#90361c0144 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ANTHONY D AUTORINO OF 91 ROBETH LANE, WETHERSFIELD, CT 06109, HAS FILED TO SELL 25,000 SHARES OF SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: STCH) THROUGH OAKES FITZWILLIAMS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(SHARED TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 203 258-2400)

-30- 438
#90361c0145 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - DOUGLAS HAAS OF 414 EAGLE ROCK AVE, WEST ORANGE, NJ 07052, HAS FILED TO SELL 5,000 SHARES OF MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: MCHS) THROUGH PAINE WEBBER INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(MICRO HEALTHSYSTEMS INC. TEL: 201 731-9252)

-30- 425
#90361c0146 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - VIRGINIA PASCUAL OF 2307 NORTH TOWNER, SANTA ANA, CA 92706, HAS FILED TO SELL 200,000 SHARES OF ADMAR GROUP INC. (TICKER: ADMR) THROUGH COHIG & ASSOCS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 24, 1990.

(ADMAR GROUP INC. TEL: 714 953-9600)

-30- 411
#90361c0148 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - BURTON C JENSEN OF 1265 DRUMMERS LN STE 108, WAYNE, PA 19087, HAS FILED TO SELL 2,500 SHARES OF AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. (TICKER: AFTI) THROUGH MERRILL LYNCH. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(AMERICAN FILM TECHNOLOGIES INC. TEL: 215 688-1322)

-30- 450

#90361c0149 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - STEVEN M DARDICK OF 3805 BELLOWS DR, CAMPHILL, PA 17011, HAS FILED TO SELL 55,000 SHARES OF TROUND INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: TROU) THROUGH ANNANDALE SECURITIES. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 13, 1990.

(TROUND INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 201 859-6295)

-30- 429
#90361c0150 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - B D HUNTER OF 14323 SOUTH OUTER FORTY RD, CHESTERFIELD, MO 63017, HAS FILED TO SELL 29,132 SHARES OF SERVICE CORP. INTERNATIONAL (TICKER: SRV) THROUGH OSCAR GRUSS & SON INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(SERVICE CORP. INTERNATIONAL TEL: 713 522-5141)

-30- 434
#90361c0151 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - RICHARD H WALTER OF 9876 HAMPSTEAD CT, CINCINNATI, OH 45241, HAS FILED TO SELL 13,000 SHARES OF MERIDIAN DIAGNOSTICS INC. (TICKER: KITS) THROUGH GRADISON FNCL SVCS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(MERIDIAN DIAGNOSTICS INC. TEL: 513 271-3700)

-30- 438
#90361c0152 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - SCHATTEN THREE LTD OF 1617 HAYES STREET, NASHVILLE, TN 37203, HAS FILED TO SELL 10,000 SHARES OF REN CORP. USA (TICKER: RENL) THROUGH J C BRADFORD & CO. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(REN CORP. USA TEL: 615 352-7991)

-30- 403
#90361c0153 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ELMER B STAATS OF 5011 OVERLOOK RD NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20016, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. (TICKER: CPTD) THROUGH FOLGER NOLAN FLEMING. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(COMPUTER DATA SYSTEMS INC. TEL: 301 921-7000)

-30- 441
#90361c0154 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - ERNIE B PIERCE OF P O BOX 409, 0, CHANDLER, OK 74834, HAS FILED TO SELL 3,000 SHARES OF CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. (TICKER: CHAN) THROUGH SOUTHWEST SECS INC. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(CHANDLER INSURANCE CO. TEL: 809 949-7823)

-30- 421
#90361c0156 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 144

SEC - WILLIAM E RAPP OF P.O.BOX 139, DUMONT, CO 80436, HAS FILED TO SELL 8,333 SHARES OF CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. (TICKER: CFER) THROUGH A G EDWARDS & SONS. THE FILING WAS RECEIVED BY THE SEC ON DEC 12, 1990.

(CONFERTECH INTERNATIONAL INC. TEL: 303 237-5151)

-30- 426
#90361c0157 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

GROUP LED BY R.W. HOLMAN JR. OWNS 1,313,600 SHARES (5.03%) OF GROSSMANS INC. (TICKER: GROS) OF BRAINTREE, MASSACHUSETTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

R.W. Holman Jr. have held discussions with senior management of the Grossmans Inc. and also Grossmans Inc.'s board, submitting references and other information to the nominating committee concerning R.W. Holman Jr.' qualifications for appointment to the board of directors of the Grossmans Inc. Grossmans Inc.'s board has indicated that it would agree to one representative of R.W. Holman Jr. being appointed to the board, in return for R.W. Holman Jr.'s agreement to enter into a long-term standstill agreement with the Grossmans Inc.. R.W. Holman Jr. do not feel that the board has taken a

reasonable stance, and are currently examining their available options with respect to their investment in the Grossmans Inc. These options include proposing nominees of R.W. Holman Jr. for election as directors of the Grossmans Inc. in opposition to the board's nominees at the Grossmans Inc.'s 1991 annual meeting of stockholders, anticipated to be held in April 1991, and advancing appropriate stockholder proposals for adoption at such meeting.

-30- 1406
#90361c0158 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

L.A. GAY OWNS 257,167 SHARES (5.20%) OF BUILDERS TRANSPORT INC. (TICKER: TRUK) OF CAMDEN, SOUTH CAROLINA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

On Nov. 30, 1990, Gay was advised that the company's board had concluded that it would not provide the advance approval of the acquisition by Gay, or an entity he controls, of fifteen percent or more of the voting stock of Builders Transport Inc. Gay has requested that Builders Transport Inc.'s board reconsider its denial of advance approval.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Dec. 14 to Dec. 21, 1990, L.A. Gay bought 20,000 shares at $4.37 each.

-30- 777
#90361c0159 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD OWNS (5.00%) OF HENLEY GROUP INC. (TICKER: HENG) OF HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

PURPOSE:

Decrease in the number of shares held

-30- 370
#90361c0160 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 1

C.J. MCCORMICK OWNS 35,000 SHARES (8.78%) OF 1ST BANCORP. INC.(TICKER: FBCV) OF VINCENNES, INDIANA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The nonqualified stock options for 10,000 shares of common stock are exercisable on Dec. 26, 1990 and have a five-year term which expires June 25, 1995. During this period, McCormick may exercise the options and purchase 10,000 shares of common stock at a price of $7.50 per share, which was the market price of the stock at the time the options were granted.

PURPOSE:

Granting of stock options.

-30- 730
#90361c0161 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

GROUP LED BY F.S. GREENE JR. OWNS 2,505,804 SHARES (14.70%) OF NETWORKED PICTURE SYSTEMS INC.(TICKER: NPSI) OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The beneficially-owned shares include warrants to purchase 16,796 shares and options to purchase 432,500 shares of company common stock.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

On Nov. 20, 1990, Greene purchased 1,075,469 shares at a purchase price of $0.05 per shares.

PURPOSE:

To meet company's capital needs in order to continue operations.

-30- 711
#90361c0162 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 14D1

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 8

ANNOUNCEMENT:

In a press release dated Dec. 26, 1990, Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd. announced that the European Economic Community will take no action to extend the three-week suspension period to its subsidiary's tender offer for MCA Inc.(TICKER: MCA); the suspension period will expire on or before Dec. 26, 1990. The FCC has issued an order consenting to the transfer of WWOR-TV's license to the spinoff company. On Dec. 21, 1990, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York in the Young action denied plaintiffs' motion for a preliminary injunction against the acquisition of the company by the parent and the Court dismissed the Young action. On Dec. 21, 1990, plaintiffs in the Go-Video action filed a motion in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit seeking an injunction pending appeal from a ruling of the Federal district Court in Arizona denying Go-video's request for a temporary restraining order against the acquisition of the company by the parent.

-30- 1242
#90361c0164 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 15

GROUP LED BY HARRIS ASSOCIATES LP. OWNS 1,059,200 SHARES (12.32%) OF EVANS & SUTHERLAND COMPUTER CORP.(TICKER: ESCC) OF SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Dec. 4 to Dec. 13, 1990, Harris Associates LP., et al. bought 95,300 shares at $18.38 to $19.38 each and transferred 1,700 shares out of a customer account.

PURPOSE:

Purchase of shares.

-30- 587
#90361c0165 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

W.D. WAMPLER OWNS 680,991 SHARES (6.50%) OF WLR FOODS INC.(TICKER: WLRF) OF HINTON, VIRGINIA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

No other significant information was included.

-30- 357
#90361c0166 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: NONE

ORKLA BORREGAARD AS OWNS 949,200 SHARES (16.30%) OF NOREX AMERICA INC. (TICKER: NXA) OF HAMILTON, BERMUDA.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Orkla Borregaard AS also has an option to purchase another 625,000 shares by Feb. 15, 1991 at $8 a share. In addition, Norex granted Orkla Borregaard AS another option to buy 625,000 shares at $8 each by March 1991.

PURPOSE:

Investment.

-30- 584
#90361c0167 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
SCHEDULE 13D

SEC - AMENDMENT NUMBER: 16

HARRIS ASSOCIATES INC. OWNS 780,900 SHARES (7.38%) OF VISTA CHEMICAL CO. (TICKER: VC) OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.

LATEST TRANSACTION:

From Nov. 27 to Dec. 14, 1990, Harris Associates Inc. bought 3,100 shares at $22.38 to $25.76 each and sold 659,200 shares at $22.42 to $53.99 each.

-30- 485
#90361c0168 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 18, 1990, J.A. PUCKETT, DIR. OF CB&T FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: CBTF) BOUGHT 146 SHARES AT $28.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 3,194.

-30- 312

#90361c0169 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 7, 1990, R.E. WENDT, VP OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS INSURANCE GROUP LTD.(TICKER: FIIG), BOUGHT 100 SHARES AT $8.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 100.

-30- 347
#90361c0170 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 12, 1990, Z.M. THOMAS SR, DIR. OF ANCHOR FINANCIAL CORP. BOUGHT 6,000 SHARES AT $19.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,450.

-30- 304
#90361c0172 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC. 17, 1990, W.H. LAMBERT, CHAIRMAN OF TEXSCAN CORP. (TICKER: TXCN) BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $3.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 305
#90361c0173 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 14, 1989, C. ANDERSON, DIR. AND BEN. OWNER OF VALLEY FORGE SCIENTIFIC CORP. (TICKER: VLFG), BOUGHT 59,400 SHARES AT AN UNREPORTED PRICE PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,386,000.

-30- 379
#90361c0174 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV. 20, 1990, G.A. BLONDER, DIR. OF CHATTAHOOCHEE BANCORP. INC. BOUGHT 3,000 SHARES AT $5.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,940.

-30- 313
#90361c0175 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 17, 1990, MORTON WYMAN, DIR. OF AMERICAN GREETINGS CORP. (TICKER: AGRE), SOLD 22,771 SHARES FROM $32.88 TO $33.13 PER SHARE.

-30- 295
#90361c0176 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 17, 1990, MORTON WYMAN, DIR. OF AMERICAN GREETINGS CORP. (TICKER: AGRE), SOLD 4,500 SHARES AT $33.38 PER SHARE.

-30- 281
#90361c0177 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, EDWARD G HUGHES, VP OF CAMBEX CORP. (TICKER: CBEX), BOUGHT 4,000 SHARES AT $1.17 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 295
#90361c0178 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1990, JAMES H STEWART, DIR. OF CRACKER BARREL OLD COUNTRY STORE INC. (TICKER: CBRL), SOLD 5,000 SHARES AT $27.75 PER SHARE.

-30- 315
#90361c0180 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 13, 1990, ROMAN T PLASKACZ, OFFICER OF COGNOS INC. (TICKER: COGN), SOLD 1,875 SHARES AT $8.50 PER SHARE.

-30- 269
#90361c0181 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 16, 1990, THOMAS D HOULIHAN, OFFICER OF DAHLBERG INC. (TICKER: DAHL), SOLD 2,000 SHARES FROM $12.25 TO $12.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,500.

-30- 326
#90361c0182 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, GEORGE S NUGENT, VP OF FIRST OF AMERICA BANK CORP. (TICKER: FOA), BOUGHT 175 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT

HOLDINGS TO 12,916.

-30- 325
#90361c0183 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 11, 1990, DON P RUNDLE, DIR. OF FIRST FEDERAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: FTFC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 9,200.

-30- 323
#90361c0184 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 06, 1990, THOMAS W SCHINI, PRES. OF FIRST FEDERAL CAPITAL CORP. (TICKER: FTFC), BOUGHT 1,300 SHARES AT $5.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 23,850.

-30- 333
#90361c0185 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 07, 1990, ROBERT J BUTLER, DIR. OF GULF CANADA RESOURCES LTD. (TICKER: GOU), BOUGHT 400 SHARES AT $11.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 666.

-30- 325
#90361c0186 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 05, 1990, ROBERT J HIGGINS, DIR. OF GANTOS INC. (TICKER: GTOS), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 50,000.

-30- 302
#90361c0188 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 16, 1990, KENNETH T NEILSON, PRES. OF HUBCO INC. (TICKER: HCO), BOUGHT 224 SHARES AT $4.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 10,000.

-30- 296
#90361c0189 12/27/1990 ~Comtex

FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, BEVERLY A RIDDER, OFFICER OF IOWA NATIONAL BANKSHARES CORP. (TICKER: INBS), SOLD 150 SHARES AT $34.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,100.

-30- 336
#90361c0190 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 06, 1990, KAREN MATHIASEN, SHAREHOLDER OF INDEX TECHNOLOGY CORP. (TICKER: INDX), BOUGHT 150 SHARES AT $6.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,150.

-30- 334
#90361c0191 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM JUL 11, 1990 TO SEP 28, 1990, BIOENGINEERING INTERNATIONAL BV, BEN. OWNER OF INCSTAR CORP. (TICKER: ISR), BOUGHT 739,642 SHARES AT $4.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,539,956.

-30- 350
#90361c0192 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM SEP 28, 1990 TO OCT 01, 1990, DANIEL DROR, PRES. OF KLEER-VU INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: KVU), SOLD 1,500 SHARES FROM $7.13 TO $7.25 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 336
#90361c0193 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 07, 1990, MCKESSON CORP PSIP, BEN. OWNER OF MCKESSON CORP. (TICKER: MCK), SOLD 18,265 SHARES AT $27.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 7,844,100.

-30- 321
#90361c0194 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 30, 1990, MERRILL GAPPMAYER, DIR. OF NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS

INC. (TICKER: NATR), BOUGHT 5,000 SHARES AT $6.63 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 5,180.

-30- 333
#90361c0196 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON MAR 20, 1990, JOSEPH C MILLER, OFFICER AND DIR. OF OIL-DRI CORP. OF AMERICA (TICKER: OILC), BOUGHT 500 SHARES AT $20.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 500.

-30- 342
#90361c0197 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM NOV 07, 1990 TO NOV 27, 1990, JACK J GOLDSTEIN, PRES. OF OMI CORP. (TICKER: OMM), BOUGHT 20,500 SHARES FROM $4.63 TO $5.38 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 73,285.

-30- 331
#90361c0198 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 05, 1990, ALBERT E MCCANTS III, VP OF PIONEER FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: PION), SOLD 125 SHARES AT $6.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 250.

-30- 316
#90361c0199 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 27, 1990, LAWRENCE G FINCH, DIR. OF PHOENIX TECHNOLOGIES LTD. (TICKER: PTEC), BOUGHT 10,000 SHARES AT $2.18 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 35,000.

-30- 330
#90361c0200 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON JUN 20, 1990, DAVID G DAVIDSON, DIR. OF PETROMINERALS CORP. (TICKER: PTRO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $1.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,000.

-30- 317
#90361c0201 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 05, 1990, HOMER W CLAPPER, DIR. OF RAMAPO FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RMPO), BOUGHT 1,000 SHARES AT $5.75 PER SHARE, BRINGING INDIRECT HOLDINGS TO 16,092.

-30- 323
#90361c0202 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON SEP 14, 1990, RICHARD J HASKINS, OFFICER AND DIR. OF REPUBLIC SAVINGS FINANCIAL CORP. (TICKER: RSFC), BOUGHT 250 SHARES AT $1.88 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 13,020.

-30- 364
#90361c0204 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON NOV 20, 1990, JOHN G RANSFORD, OFFICER OF SAVIN CORP. (TICKER: SVB), SOLD 2,000 SHARES AT $0.09 PER SHARE.

-30- 267
#90361c0205 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 01, 1990, WILLIAM V CAVENEY, CHAIRMAN OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WATER CO. (TICKER: SWTR), BOUGHT 142 SHARES AT $29.11 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,858.

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#90361c0206 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - FROM DEC 31, 1987 TO DEC 31, 1989, TALLEY SAVINGS PLUS IRC 401, BEN. OWNER OF TALLEY INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TAL), BOUGHT 167,363 SHARES FROM $13.90 TO $20.29 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 289,022.

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#90361c0207 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 25, 1990, JAMES F HEALEY, DIR. OF TECH DATA CORP. (TICKER: TECD), SOLD 7,300 SHARES AT $4.25 PER SHARE.

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#90361c0208 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 04, 1990, JAMES E UPFIELD, CHAIRMAN OF TEMTEX INDUSTRIES INC. (TICKER: TMTX), BOUGHT 2,000 SHARES AT $1.31 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 1,127,100.

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#90361c0209 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON DEC 13, 1990, ROBERT A PETERSON, VP OF THE TORO CO. (TICKER: TTC), SOLD 6,047 SHARES AT $15.50 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 2,119.

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#90361c0210 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
FORM 4

SEC - ON OCT 18, 1990, WILLIAM E ALLAUN JR, DIR. OF TVX BROADCAST GROUP INC. (TICKER: TVXG), SOLD 25,000 SHARES AT $9.00 PER SHARE, BRINGING DIRECT HOLDINGS TO 74,078.

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#90361c0212 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 28) COMTEX - Lone Star Industries Inc.(TICKER: LCE), a Greenwich, Conn., cement manufacturer that filed for bankruptcy earlier this month, owes Milwaukee-based Schwerman Trucking Co. about $750,000.

As a result, Jack F. Schwerman, Schwerman Trucking's president, was named to the creditor's committee overseeing the bankruptcy.

Lone Star was one of Schwerman's principal shippers, accounting for more than $9 million of Schwerman's $52.2 million in revenues for 1990, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 27, 1990.

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#90361c0213 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 28) COMTEX - Lakewood, Colo.-based Caspen Oil Inc. (TICKER: CNO) has sold its interest in oil and gas properties in Caldwell and Ouachita Parishes, Louisiana, to Swift Energy Co., for $5.22 million cash, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 27, 1990.

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#90361c0214 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 28) COMTEX - International Mercantile Corp., a Jefferson City, Mo., real estate and insurance company, is exploring various strategic alternatives, including the possible sale of some or all of its assets, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 27, 1990.

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#90361c0215 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
STAMFORD, CT (DEC. 28) COMTEX - Steinberg A. Jacques Lou, a Zenith National Insurance Corp.(TICKER: ZNT) shareholder, has filed suit against Zenith National Chairman Stanley R. Zax, convicted securities trader Michael Milken, New York financier Saul Steinberg and others, charging that the group schemed to waste the Woodland Hills, Calif., insurer's corporate assets, and mismanaged its finances by trading junk bonds.

The suit, filed in Los Angeles County Superior Court, charges breach of fiduciary duty, unjust enrichment, gross mismanagement and waste of corporate assets.

The suit seeks unspecified damages, according to a Securities and Exchange Commission filing.

Lou has asked the court to grant class-action status for the suit.

This 8-k Filing was submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Dec. 27, 1990.

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#90361d5930 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 27) - Japan's current account surplus shrank 57.4 per cent from a year earlier to 1.75 billion dollars in November as trade in services swung

from a rare surplus to a deficit, the Finance Ministry said Thursday.

The surplus in the current account -- which measures trade in both goods and services plus certain financial transactions such as gifts and grants -- was also down sharply from 2.7 billion dollars in October.

But the trade surplus alone grew 9.2 per cent from a year earlier to 4.5 billion dollars, the ministry said. Exports rose 16.8 per cent to reach 25 billion dollars, the sharpest increase in two years, while imports advanced 18.6 per cent to 20.5 billion dollars, the steepest rise since February.

Exports were fuelled by strong sales of motor vehicles and audio-visual equipment, a ministry official said, adding that the growth in imports maninly reflected increased purchases of foreign cars and aircraft.

But the biggest factor behind the smaller current account surplus was the balance in invisible trade comprising services such as shipping and tourism.

The balance swung from a rare surplus of 261 million dollars in November last year, mainly influenced by an unusually large surplus of investment and dividend income, to a deficit of 2.5 billion dollars this November.

Japan's trade balance in services is usually one to three billion dollars in in the red every month due to the country's big deficits in transport and travel transactions.

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#90361d5950 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CORTINA D'AMPEZZO, ITALY (DEC. 27) - The Italian minister of nationalised industries and state share-holding, Franco Piga, died of a heart attack late Wednesday while on Christmas holiday at home in this northern Italian city, informed sources said Thursday.

The minister, 63, an attorney and former judge known for his expertise in economy and state administration, was appointed to the ministerial post only six months ago, after several years as president of the stock exchange control commission.

He held several other key economic and administrative posts, including that as the chief of staff of the Italian cabinet from 1969 to 1974.

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#90361d5960 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (DEC. 27) - Thailand and Burma have agreed to reopen a border crossing point closed last month following a spate of bomb attacks, a Thai military official said Thursday.

He said the Thai checkpoint at Mae Sot, 500 kilometers (300 miles) northwest of here, would reopen Friday.

The Burmese crossing point at Myawaddy, opposite Mae Sot across the Moei river was closed to traffic late last month after a bomb exploded at the customs checkpoint, seriously wounding eight Burmese traders.

It was the fourth successive bombing incident since November last year.

Myawaddy is the gateway to Burma's Karen State, homeland of the Karen National Union (KNU), an insurgent group which has been fighting Rangoon for autonomy since Burma gained independence from Britain in 1948.

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#90361d6010 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 27) - Rice production fell by 11 per cent in the first nine months of 1990 due to natural calamities such as typhoons and a killer earthquake in July, the official Philippine News Agency (PNA) said Thursday.

PNA, quoting the Agriculture Department, said production of unmilled rice fell to 4.7 million tonnes from 5.3 million in the same period last year.

Although average yield per hectare remained constant at about 2.7 tonnes, the area planted with rice fell to about 1.8 million hectares (4.45 million acres) from about two million hectares (4.9 million acres) last year due to various natural calamities.

Rice is the staple food for the largely agricultural Philippines.

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#90361d6020 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MANILA (DEC. 27) - The Philippine government on Thursday defended plans to impose a nine per cent levy on all imports, saying it was preferable to domestic borrowing as congress failed to pass new tax measures to trim the budget deficit.

Manila imposed a seven per cent levy on all imports early this month along with steep domestic oil price hikes in a bid to trim the ballooning budget deficit -- currently running at 1.07 billion dollars compared with an original target of 643 million dollars.

Finance Secretary Jesus Estanislao said Thursday he had proposed to President Corazon Aquino that the import levy be raised to nine per cent after congress failed to pass several new tax measures suggested by the government last week.

He said the import levies will be temporary, under an agreement with congress that "after congress passes those (new revenue) measures, then maybe we can go back to seven and eventually to five" per cent.

The measures proposed included new taxes and oil price deregulation. Congress reconvenes next month.

"I am against these import levies but we have no choice now," Mr. Estanislao said, conceding that the levy "will affect all Filipinos."

"If we implement the measures that we have proposed, inflation will be 15 per cent. But if we do not do anything, our inflation rate will hit 25 per cent," he added.

Mr. Estanislao said that while tax collections were forecast to reach 104 billion pesos (3.7 billion dollars) this year or 27 per cent more than last year, customs collections will be six per cent or two billion pesos (71.4 million dollars) below target.

The less attractive alternative would be to increase domestic borrowing, but the resulting increase in the money supply would push up inflation, he added.

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#90361d6060 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 27) - China's foreign ministry ordered Vietnam on Thursday to withdraw its forces from the disputed Spratly islands in the South China Sea although it not say what the consequences would be if Vietnam ignored the warning.

"Vietnam must withdraw from the islands and reefs of China's Nansha islands it has illegally occupied," ministry spokesman Li Zhaoxing told reporters.

Mr. Li said the Vietnamese presence on the islands, also called the Spratlys, was "blatant encroachment" upon China's sovereignty, adding: "The Vietnam position is totally unacceptable to us."

The warning was in response to a claim made by Vietnam's foreign ministry last week that the Spratlys and the neighboring Paracel islands belonged to Hanoi.

Chinese naval forces seized several of the Spratly islands from Vietnam in a brief clash in 1988 and have since expanded their military occupation to include several small atolls.

The Spratlys are strategically important because they straddle vital sea lanes from the Indian Ocean and the area is said to have promising oil and natural gas reserves.

The Spratlys are claimed, in whole or in part, by China, Vietnam, the Philippines, Taiwan and Malaysia.

The Paracels were seized from Vietnam by China in 1974.

It is unlikely that China will resort to force to take the Spratlys. Chinese Premier Li Peng said on a recent tour of southeast Asia that an "appropriate solution" to the problem could be found at an "appropriate time."

"I think we can set this issue aside and not let it interfere in bilateral relations between China and other parties concerned," the premier said.

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#90361d6150 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) - Japanese companies spent some 5,000 billion yen (37 billion dollars) -- more than the country's defence budget -- on business lunches, golf and gifts last year, tax authorities said here Thursday.

Between February 1989 and January 1990, Japanese executives' and salaried workers' total business expenses rose 10 per cent, the biggest increase since 1979, they said.

Each day of the year, they charged an average 100 million dollars to their firms in bars, restaurants and clubs in Japan or overseas.

The most extravagant spenders were in the distribution sector with 6.6 billion dollars in expenses, followed by construction with 6.4 billion dollars and service industries with 3.7 billion, the authorities said.

They also valued Japanese firms' financial reserves -- profits after tax, dividends and bonuses -- at 134 billion dollars at the end of January 1990.

Japanese companies also made donations worth 3.1 billion dollars, most of which came under a category including gifts to political parties.

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#90361d6170 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) - Japan is to grant Mongolia up to 450 million yen (3.3 million dollars) for medical equipment, the Foreign Ministry said Thursday.

The ministry said the aid would be used by urban and local hospitals.

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#90361d6190 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) - Japan's industrial output in November fell one per cent

from October but grew 6.6 per cent from a year earlier, the International Trade and Industry Ministry said Thursday.

The ministry said in a preliminary report that its index of mining and manufacturing stood at 128.7 points in November compared with 100 for the base year of 1985. Production was sluggish in the transport, machinery and precision instrument sectors, it said.

Shipments by producers fell 1.7 per cent from the preceding month but rose six per cent from November last year.

A ministry official predicted that the Japanese economy would remain strong for at least another two months, with industrial output in January and February expected to post increases from the previous months.

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#90361d6210 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BRUSSELS (DEC. 27) - The Belgian government on Thursday advised Belgians in the Gulf region to leave in the run-up to a United Nations January 15 deadline for the possible use of force against Iraq.

The Belgian Foreign Affairs Ministry advised tourists to keep away because of the "persistent tension" in the area, adding that businessmen and other Belgians should also leave unless their presence was strictly necessary.

The ministry said all Belgian nationals in Gulf countries should notify their nearest diplomatic representatives of their whereabouts.

The U.N. Security Council has set January 15 as the deadline after which force can be used to expel Iraq from Kuwait. Nearly half a million troops, mainly American, are currently based in Saudi Arabia ready to attack.

The Belgian statement said the ministry's warning was a precautionary common-sense measure, since "it would be fair to say that being in countries in an area of potential conflict is not without risk".

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#90361d6260 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) - Japanese computer giant NEC Corp. has reached a licensing agreement to use semiconductor technology developed by Dutch electronics group NV Philips, a newspaper reported Thursday.

The Yomiuri Shimbun said the agreement would enable NEC to produce semiconductors using the Dutch company's bus system, parallel conductors in a computer system forming a main transmission path.

NEC plans to start selling 11 kinds of semiconductors produced with the technology in Europe next month, company officials were quoted as saying.

Neither company was immediately available to comment on the report.

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#90361d6320 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) - Japanese investors resumed buying foreign securities in November after two months of record selling, largely prompted by more attractive interest rates in Japan, the Finance Ministry said Thursday.

Net purchases of foreign securities came to 2.15 billion dollars in November compared with record net sales of 2.74 billion dollars in October. The turnaround reflected renewed buying of bonds issued by foreign borrowers.

"This was due to the prospects for lower interest rates in the United States," a ministry official said, referring to market expectations last month towards increased prices for U.S. Treasury bonds.

Japanese buying of foreign bonds amounted to 1.76 billion dollars, reversing sales of 1.94 billion dollars the previous month. Purchases of yen-denominated bonds issued in Japan by foreign borrowers -- such as samurai and daimyo bonds -- meanwhile jumped from 370 million dollars to 599 million dollars.

Investors remained net sellers of foreign stocks, although the amount sold fell from 1.17 billion dollars in October to 212 million dollars in November.

Foreign purchases of Japanese securities meanwhile continued but fell sharply from 5.39 billion dollars to 1.91 billion, reflecting increased selling of Japanese stocks and renewed selling of bonds, the ministry said.

Net sales of Japanese stocks jumped from 54 million dollars to 223 million dollars while transactions in Japanese bonds swung from purchases of 1.89 billion dollars in October to sales of 794 million dollars in November.

But foreign buying of Japanese bonds issued abroad continued, albeit at a slower pace with net purchases falling from 3.56 billion dollars the previous month to 2.92 billion, the ministry said.

Japan's overall outflow of long-term capital -- which includes direct investment, certain trade credits and loans in addition to securities transactions -- came to 8.67 billion dollars. That compared with inflows of 5.82 billion dollars and left an overall deficit of 2.85 billion dollars.

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#90361d6340 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (DEC. 27) - Taiwan approved on Thursday opening the volatile local stock market to direct investment by foreign insititutions, sending share prices up nearly six per cent on the last trading day of a very bearish year.

Under the long-awaited measure, a maximum 2.5 billion U.S. dollars from no more than 25 foreign institutions including banks, insurance firms and mutual fund managers, will be allowed into the local bourse.

Taiwan has permitted indirect foreign holdings since 1983 through four mutual funds with investments worth 156 million U.S. dollars, Deputy Government spokesman Liao Chen-hao said.

He said the authorities hoped the latest move, effective from January, would improve the capital structure and operations of the local stock market through direct participation of professional institutional investors, he said.

To ensure stability and protect domestic enterprises from foreign manipulation a foreign institution will be allowed to take a maximum five per cent stake in a listed firm while no more than 10 per cent of its shares can be owned by foreigners, Mr. Liao said.

The stock exchange's benchmark 216-issue weighted price index closed the trading year Thursday at 4,530.16 points, 250.83 points up on Wednesday -- and 53 per cent down from the last trading day of 1989.

The volatile bourse soared to 12,495.34 points on February 10 before nosediving to 2,560.47 points on October 1 for a loss of 80 per cent amid an economic slowdown on the island made worse by the Gulf crisis.

Analyst Tseng Ping-ou at Pacific Securities Co. Ltd. said the bourse looked to have the worst behind it and should trade at between 6,000 and 7,000 points next year, buoyed by projected economic growth of 6.14 per cent next year and the injection of foreign capital.

The finance ministry in September appropriated 8.6 billion Taiwan dollars (318.5 million U.S.) from the labor pension fund to help revive the sagging stock market, once a gold-mine for speculators.

The government then agreed in October to allow qualified private brokerages to finance stock purchases, breaking the monopoly on margin lending by Fu Hwa Securities Finance Co. which is controlled by the ruling Kuomintang.

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#90361d6490 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND (DEC. 27) - Some 500 million dollars salted away in Switzerland by former Philippines president Ferdinand Marcos will be available to the Manila government once it goes through appropriate formalities,

Switzerland's highest court announced Thursday.

The ruling by the Federal Tribunal put an end to five years of wrangling over the Swiss bank accounts set up by the late Mr. Marcos, who died in exile in the United States after popular unrest forced him from power.

The tribunal said a Philippines court would have to award the money to claimants or confiscate it on behalf of the state before it could be handed over.

Mr. Marcos's widow Imelda was among those who laid unsuccessful claim to the funds here.

The government of President Corazon Aquino charges that Mr. Marcos and his family and friends diverted billions of dollars from the Philippines Treasury during the late president's 20-year tenure.

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#90361d6510 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TAIPEI (DEC. 27) - The Council for Economic Planning and Development (CEPD) proposed Thursday an 8.58 trillion dollar (316.5 billion U.S. dollars) plan to make Taiwan a developed country in six years, CEPD Chairmwoman Shirley Kuo said.

"In the short term, substantial investment by the government called for in the development plan will keep our economy humming and in the long run, various projects are expected to improve the domestic living environment and consolidate the base of local manufacturers," Mrs. Kuo said.

The 1991-96 economic construction package, targetting seven per cent annual economic growth, is intended to increase personal income, accelerate industrial development, balance regional expansion on the island and improve the quality of life, she said.

The 779 projects outlined include highway and subway systems, petrochemical plants, industrial zones for heavy industries, the country's fourth nuclear power plant and sophisticated pollution control facilities.

According to the development plan, Taiwan's gross national product should reach 298.5 billion U.S. dollars by 1996, up from 161.5 billion this year.

Per capita income should rise from 7,990 U.S. dollars to 13,975 U.S. dollars by 1996, it added.

Some 32.3 per cent of the total budget of 8.58 trillion Taiwan dollars will be spent on transportation and communications, Mrs. Kuo said, adding that housing would take 14 per cent and energy exploration 11.6 per cent.

The authorities planned to issue government bonds to raise 46.1 per cent of the capital for the plan while the rest would come from the annual budget, she said.

The planned investment, which is in turn expected to encourage private capital spending, should add about two percentage points to annual economic growth rates during the six years, analysts said.

The plan has yet to be approved by the cabinet.

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#90361d6530 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANOI (DEC. 27) - The Soviet Union was able to supply Vietnam with only 80 to 85 per cent of targets set under bilateral accords, Soviet Ambassador Rashid Khamidouline said on Thursday.

Mr. Khamidouline also said Vietnam had supplied the Soviet Union with only about half the amount of rice agreed under the 1990 plan -- 150,000 tonnes against 300,000.

He said Soviet targets for petrol and other primary materials to Vietnam had been met but there had been shortfalls in cotton and fertilisers.

He did not give precise figures but noted that the volume of economic cooperation between the two countries in 1990 represented 40 per cent of Vietnam's external economic relations.

There also had been shortfalls in supplies from Vietnam of other agricultural food products.

But he added that exchanges between the two countries during the past year were "acceptable."

Boris Melnik, economic counsellor at the Soviet Embassy here, said projects in Vietnam for next year had not been decided and Soviet investment was being examined, adding that concrete figures were not available.

The economic relationship between Moscow and Hanoi is expected to change immensely with the end of the current five-year pact up to December 31, with future payments to be made in foreign exchange.

He said talks were necessary to resolve problems in all areas and Vietnamese and Soviet suppliers and receivers should seek to establish greater mutual understanding to ensure no drop in cooperation volume.

The two sides are expected to hold talks on cooperation during the transitory

stage and were due to sign major documents including a new accord on the new trade and economic mechanism between the two countries.

Accords on commerce and banking cooperation are also to be signed in the future.

The Soviet Union has long been Vietnam's top trade partner, but the picture could change with Moscow trying to redress its massive economic problems.

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#90361d6540 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) - Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu plans to reshuffle his cabinet and the leadership of the ruling Liberal-Democratic Party (LDP) late next week, political sources said Thursday.

Mr. Kaifu was to meet LDP Secretary General Ichiro Ozawa on Friday to make a final decision on the timing of the planned changes, the sources said.

Sentiment was growing within the ruling party for an early cabinet and LDP leadership reshuffle, they said.

Mr. Ozawa, Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto, and LDP Policy Affairs Research Council Chairman Mutsuki Kato are expected to retain their posts, political sources said.

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#90361d6750 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WIESBADEN, GERMANY (DEC. 27) - Consumer prices in former West Germany were unchanged in December from the November level, the Federal Statistics Office here announced on Thursday on the basis of provisional figures.

It said prices in December were 2.7 per cent above the level of the same month last year.

In November, consumer prices in western Germany dipped by 0.2 per cent from October, while the year-on-year rise was 3.0 per cent.

The provisional figures were gathered from four states (Laender), and the final results will be released in about 10 days.

In 1989, consumer prices in what was then West Germany rose by 2.8 per cent from the 1988 level.

Separately, the Bundesbank (central bank) announced in Frankfurt on Thursday that the first government borrowing for 1991, for three billion Deutsche marks (two billion dollars), will have a nominal interest rate of nine per cent per

annum and an actuarial yield of 8.89 per cent.

The issue price will be 100.70 per cent of par, the 10-year issue will be redeemable on January 22, 2001, and coupon payment will take place every January 22. The subscription is open until next January 3.

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#90361d6780 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BANGKOK (DEC. 27) - Thailand and Iran have agreed to boost economic cooperation, with Teheran to supply 20,000 barrels of crude oil a day throughout 1991, a Thai Foreign Ministry official said Thursday.

The crude oil supply agreement was reached in a meeting between Thai Foreign Minister Arthit Urairat and visiting Iranian counterpart Alaeddin Broujardi at the Thai Foreign Ministry on Wednesday, the official said.

Iran offered barter deals including crude oil for rice, marble for raw rubber and apples for bananas and pineapples, he said, adding that details on trade and economic cooperation were to be worked out at the first meeting of the Thai-Iranian Joint Commission May 1-10 in Teheran.

"They also proposed cooperation in fishing in the Persian Gulf as well as in civil aviation," the official said.

Mr. Broujardi, commenting on the Gulf crisis, told Thai authorities that his government thinks a peaceful solution is still possible, even after the January 15 deadline set by the United Nations for Iraqi forces to withdraw from occupied Kuwait.

Mr. Arthit is to leave here early Saturday for an official visit to Saudi Arabia, where he will meet with Saudi leaders to map out a contingency plan for evacuating some 6,000 Thai workers there in the event war breaks out in the region. He is expected to return home Wednesday.

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#90361d6880 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RABAT (DEC. 27) - Courts in the Moroccan cities of Tangier, Meknes and Kenitra have sentenced a total of 107 people to jail terms of between three months and two years for their part in demonstrations during a general strike earlier this month.

The defendants were accused of public order offences including armed riotous assembly and civil disobedience in connection with bloody clashes between rioters and police during a general strike on December 14. Four people were cleared of the charges.

Fines of up to 600 dirham (100 dollars) were also imposed in some cases.

In Fez, where the worst violence was reported, 40 people were given jail terms of up to seven years in a trial Tuesday. Further proceedings are pending against trade unionists, journalists and other demonstrators at Fez, Rabat, Tangier and Meknes.

The government, trade union organisations and employees' representatives have resumed talks in Rabat on union wage demands and calls for increased state help for the socially worse off.

A government commission is to study the causes of the strike clashes during which, according to official reports, five people died. Unofficial reports said more than 50 people had been killed.

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#90361d6940 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) - Wako Koeki Co., a Tokyo-based firm specializing in trade with communist countries, has virtually gone bankrupt, a private credit research institute said Thursday.

The medium-sized Japanese trading house sought court protection Wednesday after incurring debts of an estimated 15 billion yen (110 million dollars), Teikoku Data Bank Ltd. said.

It said that Wako, with capital of 160 million yen (1.2 million dollars), had suffered heavily from a sharp drop in trade with China.

Japan and other countries imposed economic and other sanctions against China following its bloody military crackdown on pro-democracy protesters in Beijing in June last year.

The sanctions have now been largely lifted.

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#90361d6990 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELGRADE (DEC. 27) - Yugoslavia could slide into anarchy and chaos, Prime Minister Ante Markovic warned after Slovenia declared itself an independent state.

The prime minister's comments came as he prepared to meet with members of Yugoslavia's collegial presidency -- representing each republic -- to discuss what he called the serious erosion of the country's legal and economic system.

Deep differences have long opposed the country's patchwork of six republics and have troubled the search for a political model to succeed the single-party

regime imposed by the late Josip Broz Tito after World War II.

But the Slovenian declaration of independence Wednesday was the most daring of the breaches of the constitution and federal laws that have become commonplace in all the republics since Yugoslavia renounced the primacy of communism.

Friday, Mr. Markovic is to present a report of Thursday's talks to parliament. His report is expected to contain an outline -- based on his political and economic reform program -- for some sort of political consensus to hold the country together.

But a recent round of free elections in each republic only enhanced discrepancies. While four republics opted for a non-communist leadership,

Serbia, the largest republic, where Belgrade is located, and tiny Montenegro confirmed the ascendancy of the communists.

The Serbian Socialist Party won by a landslide victory in parliamentary elections, according to final results Tuesday.

At the other end of the political spectrum, Slovenia gave an overwhelming 88.2 per cent vote in favor of independence in a referendum Sunday. Three days later, it declared itself an independent state. Under electoral law, it has six months to put the result of the referendum into effect.

In the middle, the republic of Croatia, also non-communist, has adopted a new constitution giving it the right of self-determination and eventually secession if talks on redrawing relations with the other republics break down.

Slovenian Prime Miniter Lojze Peterle said that the republic would not secede from the Yugoslav federation, but would rather seek "gradual detachment."

Slovenian President Milan Kucan, meanwhile, insisted that the result was "not a matter of a final break with Yugoslavia." But he said the show of Slovene determination could relaunch negotiations on transforming Yugoslavia into a confederation of sovereign states.

Whatever the outcome, Slovenia's parliamentary speaker France Bucar said the republic's proclamation showed that "Yugoslavia, as a unified state, is a creation now incapable of continuing."

Mr. Markovic, however, insisted that the people of Yugoslavia "must and can" agree on some minimal common legal structue to allow the state to continue functioning before tackling the final question of "whether they want to live together and how."

Though the differences appeared irreconcilable, analysts said that the mere fact that Mr. Markovic managed to convene the meeting Thursday of the

representatives from the different republics was a key achievement.

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#90361d7120 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
MADRID (DEC. 27) - King Juan Carlos of Spain veered off an ice-covered mountainous road while on his way to his home in the Pyrenees for a skiing holiday and ploughed his Porsche into a crash-barrier, palace sources said Thursday.

The king and his daughter Princess Cristina, who was accompanying himduring Wednesday's trip, remained unscathed. They were able to continue their journey after their body guards pulled the sports car back onto the road.

The monarch, who turns 53 on January 5, was on his way to Baqueira Beret in the Catalan Pyrenees where Spanish royals traditionally pass their winter skiing holidays.

Juan Carlos, a passionate sportsman who pilots his owns aircraft, rides a motorbike and likes sailing and skiing, decided to go by car rather than by helicopter.

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#90361d7150 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHDAD (DEC. 27) - Soviet Deputy Prime Minister Igor Belussov met here Thursday with President Saddam Hussein to discuss bilateral relations and the situation in the Gulf, the Iraqi News Agency reported.

It said the talks took place "within the framework of friendly relations between the two countries."

Mr. Belussov arrived here Wednesday and hailed a recent decision by Baghdad to allow all Soviet experts working in Iraq to leave the country.

The Soviet Foreign Ministry has said some 1,700 Soviet citizens are still in Iraq and that Mr. Belussov would try to negotiate their repatriation.

Iraqi authorities are reportedly demanding compensation from Moscow for broken contracts.

But a spokesman for the ministry said all Soviet nationals who wanted to leave should be out of Iraq by January 10.

Once close political allies, Iraq and the Soviet Union have been sharply at odds over the Gulf crisis.

Moscow has backed international condemnation of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait,

including a U.N. Security Council resolution that authorizes the use of force to remove Iraqi troops from the emirate.

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#90361d7170 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TEHERAN (DEC. 27) - The Iranian Foreign Ministry reaffirmed Thursday its intention not to re-establish diplomatic relations with the United States, adding that Iran's policy toward Washington was unchanged.

Ministry spokesman Morteza Sarmadi dismissed a statement by a former Japanese ambassador to Washington, Nobuo Matsunaga, who said Iranian officials would welcome resumption of normal ties with the United States.

Mr. Sarmadi, cited by the official IRNA news agency, said "such matters were never raised on the part of Iran during Matsunaga's meetings with the president and foreign minister."

The former Japanese envoy met President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani and Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati in October but recently commented on a possible resumption of relations in a U.S. press interview.

Mr. Sarmadi meanwhile said Iranian policy toward the United States "will stay unchanged so long as that country continues to block Iranian assets, supports the Zionist regime and refuses to apply pressure to secure the release of Palestinian and Lebanese Moslem prisoners held in Israeli jails."

The United States, following the seziure of U.S. diplomats in Teheran in 1979, imposed economic sanctions on Iran, notably by seizing Iranian bank assets and confiscating military hardware that Iran had ordered and paid for.

On Monday, a senior Iranian Oil Ministry official said his country was prepared to resume oil sales to U.S. companies after a three-year suspension.

Mehdi Hosseini, the ministry's international affairs expert, was responding to an announcement by the U.S. State Department on Saturday that U.S. companies had been authorized to import limited quantities of Iranian oil.

But the department said the firms would have to deposit earnings from such imports in an escrow account to finance U.S. claims against Iran now being adjudicated by a special tribunal in the The Hague.

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#90361d7200 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

SIENNA, Italy (DEC. 27) - An Italian military plane on a training flight crashed Thursday near Sienna in Tuscany, killing both crewmen aboard, informed sources said.

The plane, which came down on a farm near the hamlet of Sant'Angelo Scalo, was an MB 326 of the type which crashed on a Bologna school on December 6, killing 12 people after the pilot ejected.

In Thursday's accident, both crewmen remained aboard the plane, which took off from the Grosseto military base on the Tuscan coast.

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#90361d7210 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RAWALPINDI, Pakistan (DEC. 27) - Pakistani police said here Thursday they would start prosecuting the alleged killers of Iranian diplomat Sadiq Ganji in a special anti-terrorist court within three days.

The investigation into the December 19 murder of Mr. Ganji, head of the Iranian Cultural Centre in Lahore, was almost complete, Punjab Police Chief Chaudhry Manzoor Hussain told a news conference.

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif had ordered authorities to start legal proceedings in the case within a week, he said.

Some of the eight suspects in police custody belonged to the Anjuman-e-Sipah-Sahaba (ASS), a Pakistani religious group which Iran blamed for the assassination, the police official said. But it was not yet established whether any organization was behind the killing, he said.

Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister Ali Muhammad Basharati said Monday in Lahore that Pakistan-Iranian relations would be adversely affected if Islamabad failed to ban the organization.

The Pakistani premier is scheduled to pay an official visit to Iran from January 19.

The suspects, aged between 22 and 28, planned the murder for a month and two of them met Mr. Ganji at the cultural centre on the day of the killing to obtain details of his engagements, Mr. Hussain charged.

In statements recorded during interrogation, the suspects said they plotted to kill Mr. Ganji to "avenge" the murder of ASS leader Haq Nawaz Jhangvi early this year at Jhang, the ASS base in Punjab, Mr. Hussain said.

The police chief quoted them as saying the Iranian diplomat and an unnamed leader of the Pakistani minority Shiite community were "involved" in the slaying of Mr. Jhangvi. The case has remained unsolved to date.

"We regard the killing of Sadiq Ganji as a pious act," Mr. Hussain quoted the suspects as saying.

Investigators had not yet recorded the statement of the main suspect, Haq Nawaz, who was seriously wounded when he tried to commit suicide by shooting himself when he was surrounded by the police soon after the murder, he said.

Doctors expect him to be able to speak in a couple of days, Mr. Hussain said.

Haq Nawaz allegedly fired bursts from a Kalashnikov rifle at the diplomat as he got out of his car outside the International hotel and then fled on a motorbike.

ASS chief, Maulana Ziaur Rehman Farooqi, in a statement published Thursday, said his organization had no link with the murder and demanded a probe into the killing by a high court judge.

He accused Iran of interfering in the internal affairs and said Iran, a Shia Moslem majority state, wanted to bring about an "Iran-type revolution" in Pakistan.

Mr. Basharati described ASS Monday as an "agent" of Wahabism, a Sunni Moslem religious sect of Saudi origin.

ASS, which literally means soldiers of companions of the Prophet Mohammad, and the Shiite community have been at loggerheads over religious issues.

Shiites constitute about 20 per cent of Pakistan's 110 million people, most of whom are Sunni Moslems.

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#90361d7240 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LISBON (DEC. 27) - Rebels in Mozambique killed two civilians on Christmas Day in an attack on Marera in the Beira corridor, where a ceasefire is supposed to be in force, the state news agency AIM said in a report received here Thursday.

The rebels set fire to 25 houses in the village, which lies between Chimoio, the capital of Manica province, and the Rovue hydroelectric dam.

At the beginning of the month, the government and the Mozambique National Resistance (RENAMO) rebels agreed at talks in Italy to observe a partial ceasefire in their 15-year war. The ceasefire was to apply to the Beira corridor which provides landlocked Zimbabwe with road and rail outlets to the Indian Ocean.

Under the agreement, Zimbabwe's troops stationed in Mozambique are being redeployed from combat areas in the centre to the corridor to join other troops guarding the vital links, which include an oil pipeline.

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#90361d7330 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ROME (DEC. 27) - Most Italians want a strong, elected presidency in place of the current parliamentary regime but are less certain as to who should get the job, a poll published here Thursday disclosed.

More than two-thirds of those polled by the daily Corriere della Serra (67.1 percent) said they favoured a president elected by universal suffrage, leading the paper to comment that "Italians are ready for the second republic".

But an almost equally large majority of 65.1 percent said they did not know whom they would put in the post.

Of those who could make up their minds, 7.1 percent voted for the Christian Democrat (DC) Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, 7.1 percent for incumbent head of state Francesco Cossiga (also DC), 5.6 percent for Socialist Party leader Bettino Craxi, 0.3 percent for DC secretary-general Arnaldo Forlani.

One percent apiece voted for Fiat auto company boss Gianni Agnelli, television baron Silvio Berlusconi, and Italian Communist Party chief Achille Occhetto.

Under the current constitution, which buried Mussolini's Fascism in 1946,

the president is elected by parliament and is largely responsible only for the designation of prime ministers after consultation with parliamentary political parties.

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#90361d7360 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
RASHAYA, LEBANON (DEC. 27) - The Israeli army shelled bases of the pro-Iranian Hezbollah Shiite militia in south Lebanon early Thursday but caused no casualties, Lebanese police said.

The six-hour artillery barrage from the Marjayoun region of the Israeli-imposed "security zone" targeted several Hezbollah positions in the southern Bekaa Valley, police said.

It is the third time in two days that the Israeli army has attacked bases operated by the Islamic Resistance movement, Hezbollah's military arm.

The group regularly claims responsibility for anti-Israeli attacks in south Lebanon.

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#90361d7370 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

FRANKFURT (DEC. 27) - Deutsche Bundesbahn, the German Federal Railway, plans to invest a total of 5.8 billion marks (3.8 billion dollars) in modernizing its facilities and trains in 1991, the railway said here Thursday.

The highlight of the new year will be the introduction starting next summer of its new high-speed Intercity Express (Ice) services starting out with 26 Ice trains.

The Bundesbahn said it planned to build or remodel some 170 cars for its Interregio rail network service, while nearly 1,000 new freight cars will be added to cope with rising demand.

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#90361d7450 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) - Japanese credit and trust banks said Thursday that they would cut the long-term prime lending rate by 0.3 percentage points to 7.8 per cent a year on January 4.

Among the banks were Industrial Bank of Japan Ltd., Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan Ltd. and Nippon Credit Bank Ltd..

They also include Mitsui Trust and Banking Co., Mitsubishi Trust and Banking Co., Sumitomo Trust and Banking Co., Yasuda Trust and Banking Co., Nippon Trust Bank Ltd., Toyo Trust and Banking Co. and Japan Securities Finance Co.

The long-term prime rate is the interest on loans of more than one year to the most creditworthy customers.

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#90361d7480 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) - Japan's steel exports dropped 5.7 per cent from a year earlier to 1.356 million metric tonnes in November, the Japan Iron and Steel Federation said Thursday.

Exports to the United States rose 8.2 per cent to 237,000 tonnes but shipments to China nose-dived 49.0 per cent to 139,000 tonnes, the federation said.

Shipments to South Korea jumped 45.1 per cent to 168,000 tonnes, while those to the Soviet Union rose 4.1 per cent to 40,000 tonnes, it said.

The federation also announced that Japan's steel imports declined 8.3 per cent from the year-before level to 575,000 tonnes in November.

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#90361d7500 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANKO, FINLAND (DEC. 27) - A tug pushing a barge to the Finnish port of Koverhar capsized Thursday in high seas off this southern coast town, leaving the pilot and nine crew feared drowned, the FNB-STT news agency said.

Coastguard vessels and rescue tugs were at 3 p.m. (1300 GMT) on the spot searching for the missing crew and awaiting helicopter support, but the operation was hampered by strong winds and a snowstorm.

In another incident, the German roll-on roll-off ferry Transgermania ran aground Thursday near the island of Utoe, some 100 kilometres (more than 60 miles) west of this port.

The ferry, with 16 crewmembers and six passengers, was able to refloat, but was taking on water faster than the pumps could clear it out. Ten of those aboard have been taken to Utoe and three Finnish tugs were participating in the rescue operation.

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#90361d7550 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BEIJING (DEC. 27) - Fears of an overheating economy and resurgent inflation have prompted Chinese economists to warn that the rise in industrial output should not pass six percent in 1991, the China Daily said Thursday.

"Some indicators clearly point to a speeding up of the economy," the official English-language newspaper said.

China's industrial production surged by 15 percent in November compared to the same month in 1989. The State Statistics Bureau (SSB) had forecast the figure might approach 13 percent in December "in contrast to the five percent to seven percent favoured by economists," China Daily said.

The target for 1990 was fixed at six percent.

An overheating economy in 1988 caused the worst inflation in almost 40 years, the newspaper said. The official inflation figure for the year was 18.5 percent.

"Growth has become too rapid," it quoted economist Lu Chunheng as saying.

"The country can't continue like this for three more months without sacrificing the health of its economy," said Mr. Lu, a senior SSB economist.

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#90361d7560 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAIRNS (DEC. 27) - A japan-bound jumbo jet lost part of a wing over the Pacific Ocean on Thursday and was forced to make an unscheduled landing in

northern Australia, officials said.

None of the 270 persons aboard the Australian Qantas airliner was injured in the incident. The Boeing 747 landed safely at Cairns airport in Queensland with a gaping hole in its starboard wing.

The pilot told airport officials the plane lost part of its wing casing over the Pacific.

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#90361d7600 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NEW DELHI (DEC. 27) - Finance Minister Yashwant Sinha said on Thursday that India's staggering economy could be put back on the rails despite rising inflation and announced tax changes to bring in some 450 million dollars.

Mr. Sinha told the Lok Sabha, the lower house of parliament, that the cash-strapped economy was facing a grave crisis, but with better management and revenue collection it could bounce back.

"The task before us is indeed difficult but it is manageable," he said, adding: "What we need is firm resolve on the part of the government, combined with the support of the parliament and the people."

Mr. Sinha also said in a statement that "much needed fiscal consolidation would enable us to ease the inflationary pressure on the economy and manage the difficult balance-of-payments situation."

At the same time, the minister announced tax changes to generate an additional 450 million dollars to offset severe financial problems caused by the Gulf crisis.

An income tax surcharge on non-corporate tax payers earning over 75,000 rupees (4,160 dollars) per year will be increased from eight to 12 percent, he said, while tax allowances for depreciation costs will be cut back.

The Gulf crisis, triggered by Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait, is estimated to have cost India about 2.9 billion dollars due to higher oil bills and reduced remittances from workers in the Middle East.

Inflation has risen above 10 percent a year, against eight percent last year, and is expected to increase further.

The government has asked the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for some 1.68 billion dollars to shore up India's foreign exchange reserves, which have plunged to an all-time low of 1.5 billion dollars.

Mr. Sinha said the Indian economy had the resilience and strength for

sustained growth in both the agricultural and industrial sectors, "supported by our physical infrastructure and human resources.

"The basic strength is there to overcome the crisis," he added.

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#90361d7700 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 27) - Soviet deputies have elected 194 new members to the Supreme Soviet in the first annual vote to renew the standing legislature's membership, the president of the electoral commission, Yuri Osipian, said Thursday.

The 542-member body, set up under a reorganization of parliament last year, is divided into two chambers, the Soviet of Nationalities and the Soviet of the Union.

One-fifth of its overall membership is to be voted on each year, though more were actually involved in Thursday's ballot after several deputies left the Supreme Soviet on their own accord, according to Mr. Osipian.

He said 13 candidates, mostly reformers including Ukrainian economist Vladimir Cherniak, failed to win election to the Supreme Soviet.

The 2,250 members of the enlarged parliament, the Congress of People's Deputies, can attend Supreme Soviet debates but do not have the right to vote there.

The next session of the Supreme Soviet will start on January 8, according to the legislature's chairman, Anatoli Lukyanov.

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#90361d7760 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PESHAWAR, Pakistan (DEC. 27) - An Afghan mujahedin leader condemned Saudi Arabia Thursday for providing Moscow with financial assistance, saying some of the money would go to help prop up the Soviet-backed government in Kabul.

Prime Minister Abdul Rab Rasool Sayaf, of the Pakistan-based Afghan Interim Government (Aig), said four billion dollars provided by Saudi Arabia ''to sustain'' Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev would partly help President Najibullah in Afghanistan against ''the mujahedin starved of food and arms''.

Sayaf's comments were made at a rally at his headquarters at Pabbi on the 11th anniversary of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, apparently unaware that his cabinet colleagues had received Wednesday about 1.5 million dollars from the Saudi ambassador in Islamabad.

Sayaf also accused the exiled Kuwaiti government and other Arab governments of aligning themselves with ''the conspiracy of U.S., Ussr and the U.N. to block the establishment of an Islamic government by the mujahedin in Afghanistan''.

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#90361d7790 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

JERUSALEM (DEC. 27) - Police Thursday banned a march to the Temple Mount by Jewish zealots on the grounds that it could have raised tensions among Jerusalem's large Moslem population.

The Temple Mount Faithful had planned the provocative demonstration for Thursday morning but were stopped in the Western Wall piazza by police before they could enter the disputed holy site.

Earlier, Palestinian youths congregated around the Dome of the Rock and Al Aqsa mosque on the Temple Mount and pelted border police with stones, causing the temporary closure of the area.

A march planned by the Temple Mount Faithful for October 8 helped sparked a clash in which police shot dead at least 17 Palestnians.

Police also banned a different march planned for Saturday by the left wing Women for Peace movement along the road which divides Jewish west Jerusalem from the Arab eastern sector.

Police said they could not vouch for the safety of the demonstrators. The march was planned two days prior to the January 1 annniversary of the establishment of the Fatah faction of the Palestine Liberation Organisation when disruptions are expected.

In the West Bank and Gaza Strip, security forces continued with their crackdown of Palestinian activists, arresting some 20 alleged members of the Islamic fundamntalist Hammas movement near Tulkarm.

More than 130,000 Palestinians wer confined to their homes in Nablus where a curfew was imposed after demonstaations.

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#90361d7860 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CAMPO GRANDE, Brazil (DEC. 27) - Brazilian authorities are gathering a team of psychologists, sociologists and anthropologists to probe a rash of suicides that has taken the lives of more than 20 young Indians living on a reservation near here, officials said Thursday.

Manuel Alves de Paula, an official of the state National Indian Foundation (FUNAI) in Mato Grosso do Sur state, said 23 Kaiowa Indians between the ages

of 14 and 18 had hanged themselves this year from trees on a reservation created for the Guarani Indian community, to which the Kaiowas belong.

Twenty other Kaiowa youths unsuccessfully attempted suicide but have so far refused to explain their actions, he said.

Mr. Alves de Paula said the investigators would begin next week examining several possible explanations for the suicides, including desperation fostered by the extreme poverty of the Kaiowas.

"The Indians are prey to alcoholism, are becoming beggars and can see in the city's markets a world which is not theirs and which is unattainable," he told reporters.

Some observers, Mr. Alves de Paula added, viewed the suicides as "an heroic act by Guaranies faced with the difficulties of living in the world of white people."

The official said police were also investigating the possibility that the supposed suicides were actually killings designed to eliminate the Indians from "valuable lands" that are coveted by ranchers and lumber concerns. But he said the police had uncovered no evidence to back up such speculation.

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#90361d7870 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (DEC. 27) - The Brazilian Government has launched an attack on alleged abuses of economic power by quasi monopolies in the private sector.

Targeted for the first government probes are the Autolatina car firm, a jointly operated subsidiary of Germany's Volkswagen and the U.S. Ford Motor Co., and the country's pharmaceutical sector.

Autolatina, which controls 60 per cent of the protected Brazilian automobile market, incurred government wrath by increasing its retail prices 50 per cent last month.

A government hearing into the price hikes began Wednesday.

But the company said it was not prepared to back down.

The vice chairman of Autolatina, Miguel Jorge, rejected any notion of coming to a deal with regulators.

But representatives of the pharmaceutical sector said, after a separate hearing Wednesday into allegations of abusive use of monopolistic powers, they were freezing prices on prescriptions for 45 days and would then adjust them only once a month.

The apparent backdown by the pharmaceuticals industry followed a government threat to postpone indefinitely the recognition of pharmaceutical patents which the major companies -- supported by the United States -- have been demanding for a decade.

The government had accused the pharmaceutical firms of increasing their prescription prices by more than 1,000 per cent since March.

Meanwhile, the battle with the automobile sector appears to be hotting up.

The government approved a new law Wednesday that would dismantle an automobile retail cartel which allowed manufacturers to fine retail outlets that sold vehicles at lower than the manufacturers' recommended prices. The cartel also restricted retailers to specific geographical operations.

The new law will, the government says, make it easier for newcomers to set up shop in the automobile retail sector.

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#90361d7940 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

KARACHI (DEC. 27) - The chief minister of Pakistan's southern Sindh province, Jam Sadiq Ali, accused the opposition Thursday led by former prime minister Benazir Bhutto of financing terrorist activities in the province.

Mr. Jam told a news conference here, "I have proof that ... (2.5 million dollars) was given to terrorists at Bilalwal house (Ms. Bhutto's seaside villa here) recently and the matter was being investigated."

The accusations came after Ms. Bhutto charged in Islamabad on Tuesday that top leaders of the Sindh government were involved in drug trafficking and were adopting a vindictive attitude towards political opponents.

While denying these charges as "baseless," Mr. Jam said: "We respect law, but the opposition respects terrorists and supplies arms to them."

Ms. Bhutto in her statement had alleged that drug abuse and drug trafficking had increased during the past few months and kidnapping was also on the rise.

The Sindh chief minister noted a successful operation Thursday by Sindh police against bandits in the interior of the province, long in the grip of ethnic and political violence.

He said 70 bandits had been killed in operations and 229 had been arrested since August 6.

Mr. Jam said there were no political prisoners in Sindh and that such

allegations were baseless and malicious. He said the arrest of Manzoor Wassan, a deputy of Ms. Bhutto's party in the Sindh assembly, was not politically motivated.

He said the Sindh government under Ms. Bhutto had arrested 54,190 people under preventive laws.

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#90361d7950 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RABAT (DEC. 27) - At least 670 people face trial in Morocco following a banned general strike this month which led to widespread violence and the number is likely to rise, informed sources said here Thursday.

In the northern town of Fez, where five people were killed and 127 hurt in the clashes, according to official figures, at least 401 people have been charged in connection with the violence, according to a provisional count by Agence France-Presse.

A court in Fez had up to Thursday handed down the most severe sentences in a series of jailings across the country, with 12 people being put behind bars for seven years for "rebellion, armed gathering in a public place and breach of the peace," among other charges.

The December 14 strike was called by two trade union federations - the CGTM and the CDT - which were on Thursday engaged in the country's first ever three-way talks with the government and industrial management.

The unions called the strike because they argued that the government was not making progress in meeting their wage demands, but the authorities declared it "a non-conformist act inadmissible by custom and tradition in democratic countries".

Trials on breach of the peace charges and others including "voluntary arson,

theft and the formation of gangs of lawbreakers" have also been under way notably in Rabat, Tangiers, Kenitra, Sidi Kacem, Beni Mellal and Meknes.

Records of court proceedings indicate that lawyers have been disallowed bail requests on behalf of defendants as well as on grounds of wrongful prosecution procedures.

Opposition newspapers on Thursday again spoke out against the pursuit of the court action, while a promised official commission to look into the riots had yet to be formed.

The unions have rejected the membership of the commission proposed by Prime Minister Azeddine Laraki. Its task would be to establish a definitive toll

from the violence across the country.

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#90361d7960 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BAGHAD (DEC. 27) - Iraq on Thursday asked Oman to help secure the release of an Iraqi-flagged cargo ship carrying provisions and some 250 Arab and foreign women that was seized by multinational naval forces in the Gulf.

A communique from the decision-making Revolutionary Command Council and the ruling Baath party also appealed to Arabs and Moslems to denounce the "ignoble crime" committed by U.S., British and Australian naval units who intercepted and boarded the Ibn Khaldoun.

The vessel, described here as a "peace ship," was stopped in Omani waters of the Arabian Sea as it was travelling from the Yemeni port of Aden to southern Iraq.

A warning shot was fired when it initially refused to stop and a scuffle broke out with some the crew as the ship was boarded, according to U.S. military officials.

The vessel was later directed to the United Arab Emirate port of Fujeirah, escorted by nine warships and an aircraft carrier.

The Iraqi communique appealed for help from authorities in Muscat because "the ship was intercepted in Omani territorial waters."

It called on "all Arabs and Moslems, at both official and popular levels, to denounce loudly and clearly ... this odious crime."

Iraqi authorities also urged passengers aboard the Ibn Khaldoun "not to give in to the invaders and to carry on, so that the ship and its cargo can continue on its journey to the port of Oum Qasr (southeastern Iraq)."

Passengers insisted the vessel was carrying medicine and powdered milk for infants as part of a mission organized by the General Union of Arab Women, representing 21 governmental and non-governmental groups.

But U.S. military officials said the cargo included food and supplies of sugar that are banned from reaching Iraq by terms of a United Nations Security Council trade embargo.

The restrictions were imposed to protest Iraq's August 2 invasion of Kuwait.

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#90361d8000 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ALGIERS (DEC. 27) - Half a million people, according to reliable estimates, marched Thursday through the centre of Algiers to protest against religious and political intolerance, the rising cost of living and the Arabisation of the country "on the cheap."

The march came less than 24 hours after parliament passed a new law which will make Arabic Algeria's official language by 1997.

Demonstrators were responding to a call from Hocine Ait-Ahmed's Socialist Forces' Front (FFS) whose leaders erected a tent outside President Chadli Bendjedid's residence as its "social headquarters".

The FFS claimed that the authorities have so far refused the front its own headquarters in Algiers, unlike other political parties.

Demonstrators chanted slogans like "Stop the massacre of the economy", "FFS in power" and "Hands off our language" and "Tamazight (Berber) in schools."

The marchers wound their way from the centre of the city to the presidential residence. They waved national flags and carried portraits of Mr. Ait-Ahmed.

Crowds outside the president's residence reserved their biggest cheers for Mr. Ait-Ahmed and louldy booed Prime Minister Mouloud Hamrouche and members of the country's former unique party, the National Liberation Front.

The march was initially planned, according to Mr. Ait-Ahmed, to show that there were democratic forces in Algeria and that there was an alternative policy to that of the more fundamentalist Islamic Salvation Front.

Mr. Ait-Ahmed criticised the Arabisation law and said it was a threat to civic harmony and threatened to stifle free expression.

The Arabisation law, approved by parliament Wednesday, calls for all official documents and correspondence in Algeria, including those produced by private companies, shops and political parties, to be henceforth produced in Arabic on pain of heavy fines.

The law stipulates that documents produced in languages other than Arabic -- the main ones used are French and Berber -- could bring fines of up to 5,000 dinars (just over 500 dollars).

The fines are much steeper in the case of political parties producing literature in other languages -- up to 100,000 dinars (over 10,000 dollars).

Although specialist publications and those aimed specifically at foreign readers are exempted, as are the country's existing French-language newspapers, the law stipulates that general interest print media, and all films or scientific and cultural programmes shown on television, have to be in Arabic.

The new law was adopted by 173 votes for and eight against, with 13 abstentions.

Some five million of Algeria's 22 million inhabitants are Berber. French is the language of the former colonial power.

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#90361d8060 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO (DEC. 27) - City police Thursday said they suspected federal police agents of murdering a Greek shipping magnate found slain near the Rio de Janeiro airport December 21.

His death came just a day after he arrived in the country carrying 80,000 dollars in cash.

A police spokesman said the superintendant of Federal Police in Rio de Janeiro Fabio Calheiros, had been ordered to turn over the names of all federal agents stationed at the airport when Konstadinos Petichakis arrived Thursday evening.

Mr. Petichakis, 47, was seen by a local policeman getting into a Federal Police car outside the airport with three federal agents, according to Police Commissioner Jorge da Crus Barros, who is leading the investigation.

The shipowner was found shot to death the following day near the airport.

Mr. Petichakis had flown in from Montevideo with 80,000 dollars in cash to pay the crew of a ship that his company, Tsakos Shipping and Trading, charters to Petrobas, the Brazilian state oil company.

He made the payroll trip once each month, said a business associate, Nicolaos Farnavos.

The Federal Police have made no public statements concerning the affair.

-30- 1392

#90361d8080 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 27) - Lawmakers and other ranking officials in Equatorial Guinea have been jailed for advocating the introduction of a multi-party system in the west African nation, Amnesty International (AI) reported Thursday.

Antonio Ebang Mbele, vice-president of the Chamber of People's Representatives was put under house arrest in his home town of Micomeseng after "proposing a debate about introducing a multi-party political system", the human rights organization said.

He was reportedly stripped of his parliamentary privileges late last month.

Some 30 other people, including Francisco Boddien Ngalo, president of the Chamber of People's Representatives, Julio Ela Mangue, president of the Supreme Court, and Commander Melanio Ebendeng Nsomo, minister delegate for defence, were arrested on December 6, according to an AI communique.

They were being detained in the capital Malabo or in Bata, capital of the Rio Muni province, "either on suspicion that they had been in contact with political opposition groups outside the country or because they were thought to favour a multi-party political system".

Amnesty International said it was "concerned they may be imprisoned solely for expressing their political opinions", and relayed reports that they were being ill-treated.

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#90361d8090 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

MOSCOW (DEC. 27) - Four bombs exploded in Riga, capital of the Soviet republic of Latvia, overnight Wednesday but nobody was injured, the Baltic News Service agency reported Thursday.

Explosive devices went off near a kindergarten, a hospital, an apartment building and a school for Russian-speaking students, the agency said.

Since December 5 a total 14 blasts have rocked the Latvian capital, some targeting communist party, army and KGB police buildings.

No one has claimed responsibility and no arrests have been made.

Alexander Mirlin, spokesman for the Latvian parliament, said the attacks were aimed at destabilizing the Baltic republic which is seeking independence from Kremlin rule.

A Congress of People's Deputies committee created Wednesday to examine the situation in the Baltic republics of Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia, which all wish to be sovereign units, could lead to direct rule by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in Latvia, Mr. Mirlin added.

President Mikhail Gorbachev's sweeping powers allow for direct rule of any of the country's 15 republics by Moscow and a suspension of their legal authorities if necessary.

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#90361d8110 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OSLO (DEC. 27) - Norsk Hydro (oil, petrochemicals and fertilizers) announced on Thursday that it has concluded an agreement to buy a fertilizer plant in Rostock, Germany (formerly in East Germany).

The agreement was signed with the Treuhandanstalt, the holding company responsible for managing government-owned property of the former East Germnay.

The Rostock plant has a production capacity of 1.5 million tonnes of fertilizer a year, and will be Norsk Hydro's third most important plant in the fertilizer sector, after the Sluiskil installation in The Netherlands and the Porsgrunn facility in Norway.

The Rostock factory will be attached to the Hydro Agri Europe subsidiary, and Norsk Hydro says it has a good technological level.

Norsk Hydro also says that the acquisition will enable it to enhance its penetration of the German fertilizer market, the second-biggest in Europe.

The deal is subject to approval by German authorities.

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BRASILIA (DEC. 27) - Attorney General Carlos Eduardo Vasconcelos said Thursday he was suspending use of DDT against malaria-carrying mosquitoes in the Amazon region pending a probe into whether the government's use of the toxic insecticide was legal.

Under orders from President Fernando Collor de Mello, the Health Ministry has already begun reducing use of DDT (dichloro diphenyl trichloro-ethane) in the Amazon basin, Mr. Vasconcelos said.

"It is very difficult to change old habits, but we know that DDT is very dangerous to health and our aim is to reduce its use," said Health Minister Alceni Guerra.

DDT is known to have toxic effects on humans and other vertebrate animals and tends to accumulate in ecosystems.

The ministry's anti-malaria program took delivery last November of 3,000 tonnes of DDT from Indonesia. This delivery was supposed to have been used in a four-year program to rid some six million Amazonian residences of mosquitoes.

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#90361d8130 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ANKARA (DEC. 27) - A belgian military delegation arrived here Thursday in connection with Turkey's request for North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Nato)

planes to deter a possible Iraqi attack.

Turkey requested 42 planes and 576 personnel from Nato's Allied Mobile Force (Amf) as ''concrete proof'' of the support announced for Turkey at the start of the Gulf crisis in August.

The request was reportedly met with reservations in Germany and Belgium, which provide planes for the Amf together with Italy. A german mission is due to arrive Friday to survey an air base at the southeastern Turkish town of Diyarbakir.

The arrival of the Belgians was accompanied by press reports of increased activity on both sides of the 331-kilometre Turkish-Iraqi border where Turkey and Iraq each have 100,000 troops.

Reports said Turkey moved new commando and paratrooper units to the area as well as large numbers of guns, armoured vehicles and tanks.

Turkish government officials have dismissed speculation of a ''second front'' against Iraq. But about 60 American F-111 tactical bombers, F-16 fighter-bombers and F-15 fighters are ''exercising'' at a Turkish air base an hour's flight from Iraq.

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#90361d8190 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
BEIJING (DEC. 27) - Kuwait's exiled deputy premier and foreign minister said Thursday it was ''too late'' for a peaceful resolution of the Gulf conflict, while his Chinese hosts supported moves to achieve a diplomatic solution.

Deputy Premier Sabah al-Ahmed al-Jaber said new diplomatic initiatives would now be of ''no use''.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Li Zhaoxing said efforts to resolve the crisis should continue ''as long as there is a glimmer of hope''. Such a course of action ''might require some time'' and no deadline should be imposed he said.

China, one of the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council, abstained recently from voting on a resolution authorizing the use of force against Iraq if it did not pull its army out of Kuwait by January 15.

Chinese leader Yang Shangkun reiterated Beijing's call for increased international pressure on Iraq to withdraw its forces from Kuwait immediately and unconditionally.

Yang earlier met with Kuwait's exiled emir, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, who arrived in China with his deputy premier on Wednesday for a three-day

visit.

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#90361d8220 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
TEHERAN (DEC. 27) - Iran has lost 30 to 60 billion dollars in the Gulf crisis and should be compensated by the West and the Gulf sheikhdoms, a senior foreign ministry official said here.

"Most investment contracts in Iran have been put off until after the crisis," Mohammad Javad Larijani contended in an article published Thursday in the newspaper Ettelaat.

"The Gulf has been transformed into a region in crisis, where the future appears somber and uncertain," wrote Mr. Larijani, a political advisor at the foreign ministry.

As a result, he said, "the crisis in the Persian Gulf has cost Iran between 30 and 60 billion dollars."

"The Islamic Republic condemned the Iraqi aggression in Kuwait, supported and applied sanctions against Iraq and has done nothing that could exacerbate the crisis," he stressed.

Mr. Larijani said "the United States and the sheikhs of the region have profited the most from Iran's principled position.

"The West and the sheikhs in the region should now do something to compensate the damages suffered by Iran," he added.

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#90361d8250 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NAIROBI (DEC. 27) - A Kenyan archbishop has been excommunicated for having two wives, press reports said here Monday.

Archbishop Joseph Kimani, spiritual leader and founder of the Kenya National Evangelism Fellowship (KNEF), was excommunicated by a vote of members of his church, which boasts 7,500 followers.

But the ex-priest was unrepentant. "Polygamy has never become a spiritual death," he was quoted as saying. "God used David and Solomon, who were both polygamists."

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#90361d8270 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
KATHMANDU (DEC. 27) - Nepal and Austria signed an agreement here Thursday

under which Vienna has provided an interest-free loan of 5.83 million dollars to Kathmandu, the finance ministry reported.

The loan will be used to import goods in the areas of infrastructure and health as well as paper products, pharmaceuticals and enginering goods.

The repayment schedule for the loan is 30 years, including a grace period of 10 years.

Austria had already extended a five million dollar loan to Nepal under an agreement signed during Austrian Foreign Minister Alois Mock's visit to Kathmandu in February.

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#90361d8310 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

COPENHAGEN (DEC. 27) - Denmark's conservative minority government was set for a first parliamentary defeat since general elections earlier this month after submitting a largely unchanged eight-billion kroner (1.4 billion dollar) tax cut program Thursday, parliament sources said.

Centre-left parties have already rejected the cuts leaving Prime Minister Poul Schlueter without a majority.

Mr. Schlueter's coalition government of conservative and liberal parties has only 59 seats in the 179-seat parliament.

Mr. Schlueter called early elections last month after the opposition Social Democrats rejected his tax cut projects. The new tax bill retains a six-per-cent tax for annual salaries of more than 200,000 kroner (34,500 dollars).

The Social Democratic Party, which gained 10 more seats in the general election further consolidating its role as biggest party in parliament, said Mr. Schlueter's proposed tax cuts needed financing.

Parliament will discuss the plan on January 8.

Striking a conciliatory note, Mr. Schlueter pledged Thursday to "listen to suggestions wherever they come from" to adopt a responsible economic policy before the end of wage negotiations due early next year.

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#90361d8380 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

AMMAN (DEC. 27) - Jordan has deployed more troops along its ceasefire line with Israel as a protective measure against a possible Israeli incursion against Iraq over Jordanian territories, official sources confirmed Thursday.

One official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Jordan was ''preparing for the worst-case scenario, including a possible Israeli land attack against Iraq over Jordanian territories''.

He said that beefing up troops on the ceasefire line with the Israeli-occupied West Bank ''comes as part of preparing for the worst and the fact that Israel has also put its forces on alert''.

Another official said that Amman ''cannot guarantee that a possible Israeli involvement will be limited to air strikes''.

''We have to guard against the possibility of the Israelis trying to engage Iraqi forces through the eastern part of the country (Jordan).''

Jordan has Israel to its west, Iraq to its east, and Saudi Arabia to its south.

King Hussein said recently that his army ''will not allow anybody to use Jordan as a passage for military aggression''.

Eyewitnesses said they saw a buildup of mechanised forces and troops in the Jordan Valley area, 30 kilometres west of Amman and along the 350-kilometre ceasefire line with Israel.

A jordanian military analyst ruled out an Israeli attack against Jordan through the Jordan Valley and the kingdom's population centres. He explained: ''If the Israelis attacked by land, they would want to cross through the southern part of Jordan.''

''My interpretation of why Jordan is massing troops near the Jordan Valley rather than the south is that it (Jordan) wants to send a signal to Israel that, if it attacked Iraq through Jordan, the Jordanian army would attack the West Bank and Israel.''

Senior Israeli legislator Eliahu Ben-Elissar declared Wednesday that Israel had sent a warning to Jordan because it is ''in such a close alliance with Iraq''.

He said Iraq's missiles and combat jets ''cannot do much against Israel without Jordan''.

Parliamentary sources said that Jordan's Prime Minister Mudar Badran, during a visit to Damascus last week, discussed coordinating defences with Syria in the event of an Israeli attack.

Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, faced with a countdown towards the January 15 deadline to withdraw from Kuwait or face a possible attack from U.S.-led forces in the Gulf, has said Israel would be his first target if war broke out.

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#90361d8470 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HELSINKI (DEC. 27) - Finland and the Soviet Union on Thursday signed an agreement to end barter trade at the end of this year and to switch to convertible currencies.

The agreement was signed here by Finnish Minister of Trade and Industry Ilkka Suominen, who only last month said the two sides agreed that there would be a 12-month transition period.

The Soviet Union, however, later announced that this was not feasible. Moscow has long been an important trade partner for Finland but its share of Finland's total trade has fallen over past decade.

Trade has been bilateral via a rouble-based clearing system, which means that in the long run imports and exports have to be balanced.

During last year's state visit here by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, Finland and the Soviet Union signed a new five-year agreement on the exchange of goods and payments during 1991-1995, but due to the economic turmoil in the Soviet Union Moscow never ratified the deal.

Now the two sides have signed a similar five-year agreement but noted that it is only "course-giving".

Some 90 percent of Finnish imports from the Soviet Union have been in energy and raw materials, while Finland has exported higly industrialized products as well as textiles and foodstuffs.

The Soviet Union's share of Finnish foreign trade has dropped to about 10 percent during the past few years. In 1983 it was about 26 percent.

According to the most pessimistic forecasts here, Finnish exports to the Soviet Union next year will drop to about half of this year's, or to 6 billion Finnish marks (about 1.7 billion dollars) from 12 billion marks.

Finnish state-run oil company Neste has already announced that its oil imports from the Soviet Union will fall at least 30 percent this year due to Soviet difficulties.

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#90361d8600 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) - President George Bush received a message from Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev Thursday during a meeting at the White House with Soviet Ambassador Alexander Bessmertnykh.

The meeting, which had not been previously announced, took place after Mr. Bush interrupted a holiday vacation at the Camp David presidential retreat outside Washington to return to the White House.

In a brief appearance before the White House press corps, Mr. Bush refused to answer questions about the message from Mr. Gorbachev. "I assume this is confidential," he said. "Otherwise I would share it.

He said he was visiting the press briefing room "only to wish a happy new year" to the journalists.

White House spokesman Doug Davidson also declined to provide details of Mr. Bush's half-hour meeting with Mr. Bessmertnykh.

Their talks and Mr. Gorbachev's message came at a time of great political uncertainty within the Soviet Union as the Soviet president struggles to maintain his program of political and economic change amid growing criticism from both reactionaries and radical reformers.

Washington has also expressed grave concern with last week's surprise resignation by Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, a key architect of improved U.S.-Soviet relations whose successor has not yet been named.

At Thursday's White House meeting, Mr. Bush and Mr. Bessmertnykh were joined by Mr. Bush's National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft.

The president was due to return to Camp David later Thursday to continue a vacation originally scheduled to last until January 1.

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#90361d8670 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

PRAGUE (DEC. 27) - Czechoslovakia's currency, the koruna or Czechoslovak crown, is to become freely convertible in practice as of Friday, the government here announced.

The opening rate will be 28 crowns to the dollar, said the government Thursday. Previously Czechoslovakia had an artificial system of separate rates for trade, services and cash for tourists.

For trade purposes, the unified rate amounts to a 15 percent devaluation. For visitors, the crown will be 15 percent dearer.

For Czechoslovak citizens, the final step to full convertibility has yet to be taken. Though their rate of exchange will be the same as for anyone else, they will be limited to an annual foreign-currency allocation per person equivalent to 5,000 crowns.

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#90361d8780 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

NAIROBI (DEC. 27) - Thirty-two of more than 1,500 suspected Rwandan rebels and sympathisers including some Ugandans are to stand trial Friday, Rwandan state radio said Thursday.

The radio, monitored here, said those to stand trial included an unspecified number of Ugandan nationals who had entered Rwanda illegally when the rebel Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) invaded Rwanda from neighbouring Uganda on October 1 in a bid to topple the government of President Juvenal Habyarimana.

The charges against them were not specified.

Many of the RPF fighters were Rwandan exiles who deserted from the Ugandan army to join the rebel invasion.

Rwandan Justice Minister Theoneste Mujyanama said last week that 1,566 suspects were in custody. He promised them a public trial.

Earlier, the radio said Rwandan troops had killed 540 rebels in the north-eastern district of Byumba, on the Ugandan border.

It accused the rebels of atrocities against civilians, saying they had "brutally castrated old men and cut off women's breasts."

(The International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) in Geneva expressed "serious concern" Thursday at Mr. Mujyanama's trial announcement and called on Major-General Habyarimana to postpone the court proceedings to allow the alleged rebels and sympathisers to prepare their cases.

(ICJ secretary-general Adama Dieng said in a statement that it was apparent the defendants "could not call upon the lawyers of their choice" and charged that the authorities were acting in "blatant violation" of international conventions and Rwandan law itself.

(In Brussels, meanwhile, Rwandan Ambassador Francois Ngarukiyintwali charged Ugandan soldiers on the frontier with "connivance" in cross-border operations by the rebels and expressed his government's concern.

(The ambassador told Agence France-Presse he hoped an "intervention force" would be formed as soon as possible, but was not more specific.

(He also denied RPF claims that the Rwandan government had received arms from France, Egypt and South Africa to put down the rebellion.)

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#90361d8880 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
ANKARA (DEC. 27) - Fifteen people were injured, two critically, when a helicopter crashed Thursday in heavy fog at a ski resort in northwest Turkey, police said.

The helicopter, which was carrying 17 people, went down in the mountains near the ski resort of Uludag, located near Bursa about 250 kilometers (150 miles) south of Istanbul, police said.

According to the Turkish news agency Anatolie, the Soviet co-pilot of the helicopter and a two-year-old girl are in critical condition while one of the injured is in serious condition.

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#90361d8940 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
NEW YORK, (DEC 27) - The hectic days of leveraged buyouts financed by junk bonds which dominated Wall Street in the 1980's came to an abrupt halt in 1990 according to a report released Thursday.

The U.S. research firm, Securities Data, said company mergers and takeovers fell by nearly one third throughout the world and by nearly a half in the United States.

Worldwide, the value of company mergers and acquisitions tumbled by 31 per cent to 441.6 billion dollars, from the 1989 level of 643.6 billion dollars.

In the United States, the value of these transactions plummeted 47 per cent to 199.9 billion dollars from the 1989 level of 377.9 billion dollars.

The biggest mergers and acquisitions in the United States in the past year included the takeover of U.S. entertainment giant MCA by Japan's Matsushita for 6.6 billion dollars, the merger of GTE and Contel in a 6.2 billion dollar deal, and the takeover of Great Northern Nekoosa for 3.6 billion dollars by Georgia-Pacific.

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#90361d9160 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency
HERZOGENAURACH, GERMANY (DEC. 27) - German sportswear giant Adidas Thursday announced that it sold all rights to its brand names Le Coq Sportif and Arena in Japan and southeast Asia to the Japanese Descente Ltd. group as of December 23.

Le Cq Sportif and Arena are brands of the Swiss-based Sarragan SA company, an Adidas subsidiary.

"Thanks to a sale that is limited to one region considerable funds will be transferred to Adidas and boost the group's assets", chairman Rene Jaeggi said in a statement.

Last year Le Coq Sportif contributed about six per cent and Arena three per cent to Adidas's consolidated turnover of 3.2 billion Deutsche mark (2.1 billion dollars).

The sale was announced as Adidas is trying to replenish company coffers in a restructuring bid.

The French Bernard Tapie Finance group bought an 80-percent share of Adidas last August.

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#90361d9190 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LAGOS (DEC. 27) - A man carrying a freshly-severed human head meant for ritual sacrifice has been arrested at Iyi-Owe Odakpe in Nigeria's eastern Anambra state, official News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) reported here Thursday.

The police arrested the 19-year-old labourer carrying the head in a polythene bag, Nan said.

The man told the police that a herbalist (withcraft doctor), based in neighbouring Bendel state engaged him to provide the head for ritual purpose.

The suspect entered the police net when he was looking for a market for the human head after he failed to locate the withcraft doctor, a police source said.

Plainsclothe policemen, acting on a tip-off, arranged to pay him 88,000 naira (8,800 dollars) for the human head. He was subsequently arrested while trying to collect the money from these detectives, the source added.

Three persons were arrested recently in Bendel state for allegedly being in possession of fresh human fingers, ostensibly for ritual purposes, a source recalled.

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#90361d9250 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

WARSAW (DEC. 27) - Polish President Lech Walesa named Jan Krzysztof Bielecki, 39, a leader of the Liberals in Gdansk, as candidate for the post of prime minister, radio reports said here Thursday quoting well-informed sources.

Mr. Walesa's spokesman Andrzej Drzycimski would not comment on the report.

"The name of the new prime minister will be officially known by the end of the year", Mr. Drzycimski said.

Candidates for the post of prime minister must be confirmed by parliament.

On Thursday Mr. Walesa met with Mr. Bielecki and outgoing Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki in political consultations aimed at forming a new government, the news agency PAP reported.

Mr. Walesa has been in a political impasse since his first choice to replace Mr. Mazowiecki as premier, Jan Olszewski, withdrew from the post due to "major differences" over policy with the president.

With legislative elections due to be held next spring, few politicians have shown interest in joining what would essentially be a lame-duck government.

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#90361d9290 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

HANKO, Finland (DEC. 27) - Eight people are feared to have died when a Finnish pushtug capsized in a snow storm near this southern seaport on Thursday.

The boat Finn-Baltic, which had a crew of nine and a sea pilot, was pushing a huge barge from Luleaa, Sweden, to the Finnish port of Koverhar when it capsized.

Some nine hours after the accident the rescue crews found two men alive and managed to get them through a hole they made in the bottom of the ship.

In another shipwreck German roll-on, roll-off ship Transgermania ran aground near the island of Utoe, some 100 kms (62 miles) west of Hanko.

The ship with six passangers and a crew of 16 managed to get loose but it took in more water than its pumps could get out and was sinking.

Ten people were taken to Utoe.

Later Thursday evening it was reported that the pumps taken to the ship in the last minute by Finnish rescue crews are working well and there is no immediate danger any more.

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#90361d9370 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

ATHENS (DEC. 27) - Greece said Thursday 241 refugees had fled to its side of the border with Albania in recent days despite the fact that Albanian guards were still shooting escapers on sight.

Greek police said that in one incident on Tuesday, two Albanians were shot dead while trying to flee but three others made it to safety on the Greek side of the frontier.

On the Ionian Sea island of Corfu, the Greek coastguard said a 22-year-old Albanian had swum across the strait from the Albanian mainland. He said he had started out with four friends and swum for ten hours. The others had drowned, he said late Wednesday.

The refugee identified a body found floating three miles offshore Thursday afternoon as that of one of his 22-year-old friends.

The foreign ministry said in Athens that 152 of the 241 who had arrived safely were ethnic Greeks. Greek diplomats said there was a real risk that many of the estimated 150,000 Greek-speaking community in Albania would head across the border if it were opened.

Caring for so many would strain Greece's budget. Athens Foreign Minister Antonis Samaras appealed Thursday to Albanians to stay home, saying Greece would come to their aid with investment instead.

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#90361d9440 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec 27 (AFP) - When two men boarded a bus here the day after Christmas and ordered the driver to pull over, the passengers, accustomed to highway robberies, readied their wallets and valuables.

But they were mistaken.

"We robbed a gringo and now we're loaded," said one of the robbers.

They passed out cash -- the equivalent of about three dollars to each passenger -- and wished each a Happy New Year.

To the bus guard they gave six dollars, explaining: "Because you are struggling like us."

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#90361d9460 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

BELFAST (DEC. 27) - An Ulster policeman was slightly injured in a bomb attack at a Belfast police station Thursday -- the first terrorist casualty in northern Ireland since the ending of the IRA (Irish Republican Army) Christmas ceasefire at midnight on Wednesday.

The policeman was on duty at the police station at Mountpottinger, close to

the republican area of the city, when an explosive device was thrown at the station front gate.

The bomb attack happened as police revealed details of a gun attack on troops earlier in the day.

The IRA later claimed responsibility for the gun attack in which it said 500 rounds of ammunition were fired by seven gunmen at troops at a border crossing checkpoint near the village of Rosslea, County Fermanagh.

None of the troops was injured but police said that two of five civilian cars at the checkpoint were hit by the gunfire.

Political violence in northern Ireland has killed 75 people since the start of the year, 44 of them slain by the IRA.

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#90361d9690 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

CINCINNATI, OH (DEC. 27) - A 35-year-old Italian-American Thursday pleaded guilty here to sexually assaulting two women after sedating them with drug-laced spaghetti, court officials said.

Nicola Iannone was held without bail pending January 24 sentencing. He could receive up to 10 years in prison and a 2,500 dollar fine on each of two counts of gross sexual imposition.

The charges resulted from a plea bargain between the prosecution and Mr. Iannone's lawyer and not opposed by the victims.

The two women who pressed charges said they passed out after Mr. Iannone fed them a pasta dinner at their Cincinnati apartment, adding that they awoke the following morning with no clothes on, court sources said.

Police said laboratory analysis found traces of codeine and two other sedatives in the leftover spaghetti.

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#90361d9740 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

OTTAWA (DEC. 27) - Canada has sold a 700-megawatt, one billion dollar (US) nuclear reactor to South Korea, the second Seoul has purchased from Canada, Canadian Minister for Energy, Mines and Resources Jake Epp announced Thursday.

The deal between the Korea Electric Power Corporation (KEPCO) and Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd. (AECL), two publicly-held companies was to be signed in Seoul shortly after the announcement here.

The heavy water Wolsong 2 reactor will be the ninth nuclear reactor for South Korea, the world's sixth largest importer of energy. It's consumption of electricity increased by 15 per cent in 1990.

Unlike the Wolsong 1, delivered in 1983 assembled and ready to go on line, Canada will supply the parts and technology for Wolsong 2 and the South Koreans will handle the assembly.

Wolsong 2 will be built next to Wolsong 1 on a site suitable for four reactors. Canada is hoping to supply the other two, AECL officials said.

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#90361d9870 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 28) - Japan's seasonally adjusted jobless rate fell 0.1 per- cent from October to 2.1 percent in November, the Management and Coordination Agency said Friday.

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#90361d9910 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

STOCKHOLM (DEC. 28) - The Swedish state arms manufacturer FFV and Nobel Industries on Thursday announced plans to form a joint firm, to be called Swedish Ordnance - FFVBofors AB.

In a joint communique, the two firms said cooperation had become necessary because of a reduction in orders from the Swedish army and the weakening of export markets.

Both companies will have a 50 percent stake in the new firm which is to employ 6,000 people for an expected turnover of five billion kronor (890 million dollars). Start up is planned for January.

FFVBofors AB will combine Nobel's and its subsidiary Bofors' manufacture of artillery pieces, ammunition, missiles and explosives with the production of light arms, torpedoes and ammunition by FFV.

Bofors' factories in Karlskoda and Lindesberg are to be included in the new firm but Bofors Electronics and FFV Ordnance GF Komponenter, a maker of electronic components, will be unaffected.

The board will be headed by Nobel Industries chief executive Anders Carlberg.

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#90361d9920 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 28) - Consumer prices in Japan jumped 4.2 percent in November from a year earlier, the largest increase since December 1981, the Management

and Coordination Agency said Friday.

The price index, with the 1985 base figure of 100, fell 0.4 percent from the previous month to 108.9, the agency said.

Agency officials attributed the sharp year-on-year rise to an increase in prices of fresh vegetables reflecting bad weather.

"Prices are heading towards stabilization," they said. "Yearly rises will be the highest in November."

The agency also said the Tokyo consumer price index surged 3.6 percent from a year earlier to 109.9 in December against the 1985 base figure.

The index, an indicator of nationwide trends, fell 0.1 percent from the previous month, the agency said in a preliminary report.

For the full year, the Tokyo index advanced three percent from 1989 to 108.3 in the highest rise since 1982, spurred by domestic economic expansion and higher crude oil prices.

Higher vegetable prices boosted food prices by 4.3 percent in Tokyo this year, while education prices soared 4.3 percent and entertainment prices jumped 4.1 percent.

Clothing and shoes rose 3.8 percent and houses advanced three percent.

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#90361d9940 12/27/1990 ~French/German News Agency

LONDON (DEC. 28) - Four British servicemen were attacked and one was wounded by a knife-wielding civilian in a market in Manama, capital of Bahrain, on Thursday, a defence ministry spokesman said.

The wounded soldier, a corporal in the Scots Dragoon Guards, suffered only slight wounds to his hand, leg and stomach, the spokesman added.

The four servicemen were in Bahrain on rest and recuperation from duties in the Gulf as part of Operation Granby, the spokesman said.

Witnesses in nearby shops said that the attacker was in his mid-fifties and shouting incoherently.

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#90361e0026 12/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NICOSIA (DEC. 27) EFE - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Thursday met Soviet Deputy Premier Igor Belousov in Baghdad for talks on bilateral relations and

the Gulf crisis, the Iraqi official news agency INA reported.

Belousov, who arrived Wednesday in Baghdad, said the Soviet Union supported peaceful initiatives to solve the Gulf crisis.

INA, monitored in Cyprus, said Deputy Premier Saadoun Hammadi, Information Minister Latif Nassif al-Jassem and Oil Minister Hussein Kamel Hassan were also at the meeting.

Belousov thanked Saddam for freeing thousands of Soviet technicians contracted for work in Baghdad before Saddam's August invasion of Kuwait.

The Iraqi leader had previously said the technicians could not leave the country until the terms of their contracts had expired.

The Soviet Foreign Ministry Wednesday said almost 1,700 Soviet citizens still in Iraq were to be brought home by January 10, five days before the United Nations Security Council deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

The Soviet Union, one of the five permanent members of the Security Council, has backed U.N. resolutions against Iraq including the possible use of military force against Baghdad by U.S.-led forces in the Gulf if it does not pullout by January 15.

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#90361e0037 12/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

NICOSIA (DEC. 27) EFE - An earthquake Thursday rocked a northwestern Iranian city where thousands of people died in a tremor six months ago, the official Iranian news agency IRNA reported.

No injuries or damages were reported from the quake in Rudbar, 200 km northwest of the capital.

Monitored ore than 40,000 people died in the quake that devastated the same region.

A spokesman from the Geophysics Institute of Tehran University said some 76 tremors had been registered in the area during the last week.

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#90361e0049 12/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

SAN SEBASTIAN, SPAIN (DEC. 27) EFE - Police Thursday defused a parcel bomb addressed to a security firm guarding a motorway under construction in Spain's northern Basque region.

The device was hidden in a book and detected by a scanner at San Sebastian

post office.

Police believed the package was sent by the armed Basque separatist group ETA which has threatened to kill anyone working on the 45-km road linking San Sebastian with the city of Pamplona in the province of Navarre.

ETA claims that construction of the motorway is harming the environment and has staged more than 30 attacks on firms connected with the project since January.

A Spanish woman was seriously injured December 18 when she opened a letter bomb stolen by her mailman husband. The letter was addressed to the Madrid office of the same security firm.

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#90361e0055 12/27/1990 ~Latin America New Agency

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) EFE - U.S. President George Bush avoided direct answers to questions on the readiness of U.S. forces in the Gulf at a news conference at the White House on Thursday.

Journalists repeatedly asked Bush to comment on reports that top military advisers, including Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman Colin Powell, had told the president that all U.S. forces would not be prepared for war against Iraq until mid-February.

"I am very comfortable .. The briefing I had is very different from the stories ... the situation is exactly as we had foreseen it would be at this moment," Bush said.

The president was speaking on the lawn of the White House shortly before departing for his Camp David retreat where he is spending the New Year holiday.

U.S. Defense Secretary Richard Cheney and Powell visited the U.S.-led multinational forces confronting Iraq in the Gulf earlier this month.

Cheney said during his five-day tour of the area that the force would be ready to attack Iraq by January 15, the deadline set by the United Nations Security Council for Baghdad's withdrawal for Kuwait which it occupied in August.

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CAIRO (DEC. 27) XINHUA - ARGENTINA'S DEFENSE MINISTER HUMBERTO ROMERO TODAY HELD TALKS IN SAUDI ARABIA WITH SAUDI AND KUWAITI OFFICIALS ON THE GULF CRISIS, REPORTS REACHING HERE SAID.

THE REPORTS QUOTED SAUDI PRESS AGENCY AS SAYING THAT ROMERO, WHO

ARRIVED WEDNESDAY FROM THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (UAE), MET WITH SAUDI CROWN PRINCE ABDULLAH BIN ABDEL-AZIZ, KUWAITI CROWN PRINCE AND PRIME MINISTER SHEIKH SAAD AL-ABDULLAH AL-SALIM AL-SABAH.

KUWAITI RADIO IN EXILE REPORTED THAT ROMERO ALSO MET WITH KUWAITI DEFENSE MINISTER NAWAF AL-AHMED AL-JABER AL-SABAH ON MILITARY MATTERS AND BILATERAL TIES.

THE RADIO GAVE NO DETAILS BUT SAID VIEWS ON ALL MATTERS DISCUSSED WERE "IDENTICAL."

NO DETAILS ON THE PURPOSE OF ROMERO'S GULF TOUR HAVE BEEN DISCLOSED.

ARGENTINA HAS SENT TWO DESTROYERS TO JOIN THE MULTINATIONAL FORCES IN THE GULF IN RESPONSE TO IRAQ'S AUGUST 2 INVASION OF KUWAIT.

ROMERO WAS IN THE UAE FOR TWO DAYS DURING WHICH HE HAD TALKS WITH CHIEF OF STAFF MOHAMMED SAEED AL-BADI ON MILITARY COOPERATION AND SITUATION IN THE GULF.

SHORTLY AFTER HIS ARRIVAL IN SAUDI ARABIA, ROMERO CONFERRED WITH LT. GENERAL PRINCE KHALED BIN SULTAN, COMMANDER OF THE ARAB AND ISLAMIC FORCES IN THE MULTINATIONAL BUILDUP.

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#90361h0127 12/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency

MOGADISHU (DECEMBER 27) XINHUA - SOMALI SECURITY FORCES TODAY SEARCHED THE CAPITAL MOGADISHU FOR ARMS AND AMMUNITION AFTER THE CITY EXPERIENCED A SERIES OF ATTACKS BY REBEL GROUPS RECENTLY.

RELIABLE SOURCES HERE SAID THAT THE SECURITY MEN ARRESTED SEVERAL PEOPLE AND SEIZED SOME WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION DURING THE SEARCH.

THE SEARCH FOLLOWED A WAVE OF VIOLENCE AND KILLINGS IN THE CAPITAL CITY, DURING WHICH SEVERAL POLICEMEN WERE KILLED.

ON SUNDAY NIGHT, GOVERNMENT FORCES AND REBELS WERE ENGAGED IN A HEAVY FIGHTING IN THE SUBURBS OF MOGADISHU, WHERE THE REBELS ATTACKED A CATTLE MARKET.

FIVE REBEL GROUPS, GROUPED TOGETHER IN A LOOSE ALLIANCE, CONTROL A LARGE PART OF THE COUNTRY. THEY REJECTED ALL PEACE TALKS WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

WESTERN COUNTRIES HAVE EVACUATED MOST OF THEIR EMBASSY STAFF FROM SOMALIA AND URGED THEIR NATIONALS TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY BECAUSE OF FIGHTINGS BETWEEN GOVERNMENT FORCES AND REBELS.

IN THE PAST MONTH, ABOUT 200 PEOPLE WERE KILLED IN THE COUNTRY BY THE REBEL

GROUPS.

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#90361h0151 12/27/1990 ~Chinese News Agency
MOSCOW (DEC. 27) XINHUA -- SOVIET PRESIDENT MIKHAIL GORBACHEV TOLD THE 4TH SOVIET CONGRESS OF PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES THIS MORNING THAT NIKOLAI RYZHKOV'S STATE IS "SERIOUS BUT IT HAS NOT WORSENED," THE NATIONAL NEWS AGENCY TASS REPORTED.

THE SOVIET PRIME MINISTER HAD A HEART SEIZURE ON DECEMBER 25. THE PRESIDENT SAID THAT THE MOST COMPETENT SPECIALISTS WERE ENLISTED TO TREAT RYZHKOV AND THEY ARE "ENGAGED IN THAT WORK ROUND THE CLOCK."

GORBACHEV ADDED THAT HE TALKED TO RYZHKOV YESTERDAY.

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#90361k0060 12/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 27) KYODO - MONTHLY WAGES EARNED BY JAPANESE WORKERS IN NOVEMBER AVERAGED 293,700 YEN, UP 4.4 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER, ACCORDING TO A REPORT RELEASED BY THE LABOR MINISTRY ON THURSDAY.

MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID THEY ATTRIBUTED THE REAL WAGE INCREASE CHIEFLY TO JAPAN'S BUSINESS BOOM SINCE FISCAL 1987.

THE WAGE SURVEY COVERED ABOUT 22.9 MILLION WORKERS IN MINING, CONSTRUCTION, MANUFACTURING, POWER AND GAS, TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION, COMMERCE, FINANCE, REAL ESTATE, AND SERVICE INDUSTRIES.

THE REPORT SAID WORKERS' HOURS AVERAGED 174.4 HOURS A MONTH IN NOVEMBER, DOWN 0.8 PERCENT FROM A YEAR BEFORE.

OF MONTHLY WORKING HOURS, WORKERS IN THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY HAD AN AVERAGE OF 20.8 HOURS OF OVERWORK IN NOVEMBER.

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#90361k0072 12/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency
TOKYO (DEC. 27) KYODO - JAPAN ON THURSDAY EXTENDED A GRANT OF ABOUT 197 MILLION YEN IN AID TO UGANDA TO HELP THE DEBT-RIDDEN COUNTRY IN CENTRAL AFRICA REPAY INTEREST ON PREVIOUS LOANS, JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID THURSDAY.

THE OFFICIALS SAID JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO KENYA NAOHIRO KUMAGAI, CONCURRENTLY AMBASSADOR TO UGANDA, EXCHANGED NOTES ON THE GRANT WITH UGANDA'S ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER, JOTHAN ATWOKI KANANYIRE, THE SAME DAY IN THE KENYAN CAPITAL OF NAIROBI.

THE MONEY WILL BE USED TO HELP REPAY ACCUMULATED INTEREST ON OTHER LOANS FROM JAPAN, COMPLETED IN 1982, WHICH WERE GRANTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A 1978 RESOLUTION BY THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT (UNCTAD), THEY SAID.

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#90361k0075 12/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) KYODO - BRIDGESTONE CORP. SAID THURSDAY IT HAS SET UP A JOINT FIRM WITH MITSUBISHI CORP. IN THAILAND TO MARKET TIRES AND RELATED PRODUCTS.

BRIDGESTONE SALES (THAILAND) CO., WHICH WILL BEGIN OPERATING IN JANUARY, WAS FORMED BY JOINING MITSUBISHI (THAILAND) CO.'S TIRE SALES DEPARTMENT AND THAI BRIDGESTONE CO.'S PRODUCTION AND MARKETING DIVISIONS, OFFICIALS SAID.

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#90361k0078 12/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) KYODO - THE FINANCE MINISTRY THURSDAY AGREED TO ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR TWO MORE F-15 FIGHTERS AND A MISSILE-CARRYING AEGIS SHIP DURING WORKING-LEVEL TALKS WITH DEFENSE AGENCY OFFICIALS FOR THE FISCAL 1991 BUDGET BEGINNING NEXT APRIL, MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAID.

THIS BRINGS THE YEAR-ON-YEAR INCREASE RATE FOR THE DEFENSE BUDGET TO 5.5 PERCENT FROM THE 5.L PERCENT GROWTH IN THE ORIGINAL 4,372.9 BILLION YEN DEFENSE BUDGET DRAFT, WHICH WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE FINANCE MINISTRY ON MONDAY, THE OFFICIALS SAID.

THE DEFENSE AGENCY HAD ORIGINALLY MADE BUDGET REQUESTS FOR, AMONG OTHERS, A TOTAL OF 11 F-15S AND AN AEGIS SHIP FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR, BUT THE FINANCE MINISTRY SLASHED TO SIX F-15S AND REFUSED TO APPROPRIATE FOR THE SHIP UNDER ITS ORIGINAL BUDGET DRAFT.

THE MINISTRY'S ACCEPTANCE FOR MORE DEFENSE BUDGET FOLLOWED ITS ACCORD ON WEDNESDAY TO FUND 28 OUT OF THE ORIGINALLY REQUESTED 34 60-TYPE TANKS.

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#90361k0079 12/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) KYODO - SHISEIDO CO. SAID THURSDAY IT IS RECALLING SIX TYPES OF ITS PRODUCTS FOR SKIN CARE SOLD IN AUSTRALIA AND SINGAPORE FOLLOWING A REPORT SUGGESTING A LINK BETWEEN AMINO ACID USED IN THE COSMETICS AND SKIN CANCER.

THE MOVE CAME AT THE REQUEST OF THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT, WHICH EARLIER RELEASED DATA SUGGESTING UROCANIC ACID, A KIND OF AMINO ACID WIDELY USED IN COSMETICS, HELPED TO CAUSE SKIN CANCER.

KENZO MORISHIMA, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE TOP JAPANESE COSMETIC MANUFACTURER, SAID HIS COMPANY HAS NO PLANS TO TAKE SIMILAR ACTION IN JAPAN, HOWEVER.

''UROCANIC ACID IS A MATERIAL APPROVED AS SAFE BY THE JAPANESE HEALTH AND WELFARE MINISTRY AND THE U.S. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS ELSEWHERE. IT'S BEEN WIDELY USED IN COSMETICS IN AND OUTSIDE JAPAN FOR SOME TIME,'' HE SAID.

ACCORDING TO THE JAPAN COSMETIC INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION (JCIA), UROCANIC ACID IS A NATURAL MATERIAL FOUND IN THE SKIN AND HUMAN PERSPIRATION, AND ABSORBS ULTRAVIOLET RAYS.

KANEBO CO., ANOTHER MAJOR JAPANESE COSMETIC MAKER, IS ALSO PRODUCING COSMETICS USING UROCANIC ACID AND SELLING THEM IN JAPAN AND ABROAD. KANEBO IS REPORTEDLY CONSIDERING WHAT MEASURES SHOULD BE TAKEN ON THE ISSUE.

JCIA MANAGING DIRECTOR KAORU MIYAZAWA SAID HIS ASSOCIATION IS PLANNING TO GATHER INFORMATION FROM AUSTRALIA TO CONDUCT TESTS ON THE MATERIAL.

''AUSTRALIA APPEARS TOO NERVOUS BECAUSE THERE ARE MANY CASES OF SKIN CANCER IN CERTAIN AREAS. SO FAR I'M SURE THAT THERE IS NO RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN UROCANIC ACID AND SKIN CANCER,'' HE SAID.

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#90361k0081 12/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) KYODO - JAPAN'S OVERALL FOOD SELF-SUFFICIENCY RATE IN FISCAL 1989, ENDED IN MARCH, FELL TO 48 PERCENT, THE GOVERNMENT SAID THURSDAY.

THE FISCAL 1989 RATE, COMPUTED IN TERMS OF CALORIC CONTENT, WAS DOWN 1 PERCENTAGE POINT FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR, REFLECTING CONTINUING LIBERALIZATION OF FARM PRODUCT IMPORTS AND A FURTHER DECLINE IN CONSUMPTION OF RICE, THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, AND FISHERIES SAID.

THIS WAS THE THIRD CONSECUTIVE YEAR THE RATE WAS BELOW 50 PERCENT. THE SELF-SUFFICIENCY RATE, OR THE RATIO OF FOOD PRODUCED DOMESTICALLY TO THE TOTAL CONSUMED, WAS 30 PERCENT IN FISCAL 1989 FOR GRAIN, INCLUDING BOTH THAT USED FOR HUMAN FOOD AND FOR ANIMAL FEED, THE SAME AS THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

THE SELF-SUFFICIENCY RATE FOR RICE REMAINED UNCHANGED AT 100 PERCENT, NOT SURPRISING CONSIDERING JAPAN'S IMPORT BAN.

THE RATES FOR BEANS, VEGETABLES, AND FRESH MILK AND DAIRY PRODUCTS WERE UP BY FROM 1 TO 5 PERCENTAGE POINTS. BY CONTRAST, THE SELF-SUFFICIENCY RATES FOR WHEAT AND MEAT WERE DOWN SLIGHTLY.

PER-CAPITA RICE CONSUMPTION DROPPED ANOTHER 1.3 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR TO 70.1 KILOGRAMS IN FISCAL 1989. THE AVERAGE JAPANESE ATE 118.3 KILOGRAMS OF

RICE IN 1962, BUT CONSUMPTION HAS BEEN STEADILY DROPPING SINCE THEN.

THE CONSUMPTION OF FRESH MILK AND DAIRY PRODUCTS DWINDLED 0.9 PERCENT IN FISCAL 1989. MEAT CONSUMPTION GREW, BUT BY A SLOW 0.7 PERCENT.

VEGETABLE CONSUMPTION ROSE 0.3 PERCENT, WHILE FRUIT CONSUMPTION DECLINED 2.1 PERCENT.

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#90361k0084 12/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) KYODO - CONSERVATIVE POLITICIAN SHINTARO ISHIHARA SAID THURSDAY THAT U.S. INVOLVEMENT IN JAPAN'S TERRITORIAL DISPUTES WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND CHINA HAS MADE IT DIFFICULT FOR JAPAN TO RESOLVE THESE ISSUES.

ISHIHARA, KNOWN FOR HIS CONTROVERSIAL BOOK ''THE JAPAN THAT CAN SAY NO'' AND FOR HIS RECENT CLAIM THAT THE 1937 NANJING MASSACRE BY THE JAPANESE IMPERIAL ARMY NEVER TOOK PLACE, MADE THE REMARK AT A MEETING OF THE RULING LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY FACTION TO WHICH HE BELONGS, WHICH WAS ALSO ATTENDED BY THE PRESS.

ISHIHARA, A HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES MEMBER AND FORMER TRANSPORT MINISTER, MENTIONED THE PROCESS OF NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE 1956 JAPAN-SOVIET JOINT DECLARATION AND SAID THE THEN U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE JOHN FOSTER DULLES TOOK JAPAN'S FOREIGN MINISTER MAMORU SHIGEMITSU, WHO WAS IN CHARGE OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH MOSCOW, OFF TO LONDON FOR A MEETING.

ISHIHARA SAID JAPAN AND THE SOVIET UNION HAD ALMOST REACHED AN AGREEMENT WHEREBY MOSCOW WOULD RETURN TWO OF THE FOUR NORTHERN ISLANDS IT STILL OCCUPIES -- THE HABOMAI GROUP AND SHIKOTAN -- BUT THE NEWS WAS LEAKED IN TOKYO AND CAUSED GREAT CONSTERNATION.

JAPAN RETURNED TO ITS PREVIOUS CLAIM TO ALL FOUR ISLANDS AFTER DULLES THREATENED THE JAPANESE DELEGATION AT THE U.S. EMBASSY IN LONDON THAT IF JAPAN AGREED ON THE RETURN OF THE TWO ISLANDS, THE U.S. WOULD NEVER RETURN OKINAWA, WHICH IT WAS THEN ADMINISTERING, ISHIHARA SAID.

THE SOVIET UNION ENTERED INTO A STATE OF WAR WITH JAPAN SHORTLY BEFORE THE END OF WORLD WAR II AND OCCUPIED THE FOUR ISLANDS -- KUNASHIRI, ETOROFU, SHIKOTAN AND THE HABOMAI GROUP -- OFF HOKKAIDO.

THE JOINT DECLARATION STIPULATED THAT THE SOVIETS WOULD RETURN SHIKOTAN AND THE HABOMAI GROUP AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF A PEACE TREATY.

IN 1960 THE SOVIET UNION REACTED TO THE REVISION OF THE U.S.-JAPAN SECURITY TREATY AND DECLARED THAT THE TWO ISLANDS WOULD NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO JAPAN.

ISHIHARA ALSO DISCUSSED THE DISPUTE BETWEEN JAPAN, CHINA AND TAIWAN OVER THE

SENKAKU ISLANDS IN THE EAST CHINA SEA AND SAID JAPAN HAD URGED THE U.S. TO EXPLAIN TO CHINA AND TAIWAN THAT WASHINGTON RECOGNIZES JAPANESE SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE ISLANDS, BUT THAT THE U.S. HAD FAILED TO DO SO BECAUSE IT WISHED TO IMPROVE ITS RELATIONS WITH BEIJING.

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#90361k0086 12/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) KYODO - TAISHO MARINE AND FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF JAPAN WILL OPEN A NEW OFFICE IN SINGAPORE ON JANUARY 1 AS A BASE FOR BOOSTING BUSINESS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, THE COMPANY ANNOUNCED THURSDAY.

THE OFFICE WILL SERVE AS A HEADQUARTERS FOR ALL TAISHO'S BRANCHES AND SUBSIDIARIES IN ASIAN COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THAILAND, SINGAPORE, AND TAIWAN.

TAISHO ALSO SAID IT WILL CHANGE ITS SINGAPORE BRANCH INTO A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY IN SINGAPORE ON JANUARY 1 WITH A CAPITAL OF 25 MILLION SINGAPORE DOLLARS, OR ABOUT 2 BILLION YEN.

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#90361k0088 12/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) KYODO - NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORP. (NTT) ON THURSDAY FILED FOR PERMISSION TO LOWER CALL RATES TO AREAS BEYOND 160 KILOMETERS TO A UNIFORM 240 YEN FOR A THREE-MINUTE DAYTIME CALL FROM NEXT MARCH 19, THE COMPANY ANNOUNCED.

NTT ALSO APPLIED TO MINISTER OF POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS TAKASHI FUKAYA FOR PERMISSION TO CUT THE CHARGE FOR A THREE-MINUTE DAYTIME CALL TO AREAS BETWEEN 20 AND 30 KILOMETERS BY 10 YEN TO 40 YEN ALSO FROM MARCH 19.

THE JAPANESE DOMESTIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS GIANT ALSO SOUGHT APPROVAL OF A PLAN TO EXTEND THE LATE NIGHT AND EARLY MORNING DISCOUNT TIME, CURRENTLY 11 P.M. TO 6 A.M., BY TWO HOURS TO 11 P.M. TO 8 A.M. FROM MARCH 19.

IN ADDITION, NTT IS SEEKING TO LOWER THE BASIC CHARGE FOR MOBILE PHONES TO 13,000 YEN PER MONTH FROM THE PRESENT 15,000 YEN AND THAT FOR PORTABLE PHONES TO 14,000 YEN FROM THE CURRENT 19,000 YEN FROM MARCH 1.

THE COMPANY IS FURTHER APPLYING TO LOWER THE POCKET PAGER (SOUND ONLY) MONTHLY CHARGE TO 2,000 YEN FROM THE PRESENT 2,200 YEN FROM MARCH 1.

OTHER TELEPHONE COMPANIES, INCLUDING LONG-DISTANCE AND CELLULAR PHONE COMPANIES, AND POCKET PAGER SERVICE FIRMS ARE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW THE LEAD TAKEN BY NTT IN LOWERING CHARGES EARLY IN 1991.

NTT ALSO SOUGHT APPROVAL FOR A TELEGRAM SERVICE REVISION PLAN FEATURING NO LATE NIGHT OR EARLY MORNING DELIVERY OF TELEGRAMS BETWEEN 10 P.M. AND 6 A.M.

THE PLAN ALSO CALLS FOR NO ACCEPTANCE OF REQUESTS FOR SENDING TELEGRAMS EXCEPT EMERGENCY FIXED-SENTENCE TELEGRAMS BETWEEN 10 P.M. AND 8 A.M.

THE FIRM HOPES THAT THE REVISION WILL GO INTO EFFECT FROM NEXT MARCH.

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#90361k0089 12/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) KYODO - NIPPON STEEL CORP. PRESIDENT HIROSHI SAITO SAID THURSDAY THE FIRM HAS NO INTENTION OF RENEWING ITS SO-CALLED ''MOVIELAND'' CONSTRUCTION PROJECT CONTRACT WITH THE U.S. ENTERTAINMENT GIANT MCA INC., DUE TO EXPIRE AT THE END OF DECEMBER.

SAITO SAID AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HIS FIRM REACHED THE DECISION ON THE BASIS OF FEASIBILITY STUDIES CONDUCTED ON THE PROJECT.

HE SAID THE DECISION HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO.'S RECENT ACQUISITION OF MCA.

IN LINE WITH THE NIPPON STEEL-MCA CONTRACT OF JANUARY 1988, BOTH FIRMS HAVE BEEN JOINTLY ASSESSING THE ECONOMIC FEASIBILITY OF THE PROJECT.

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#90361k0094 12/27/1990 ~Japanese News Agency

TOKYO (DEC. 27) KYODO - TOYOHIRO AKIYAMA, JAPAN'S FIRST MAN IN SPACE, WAS FLOWN TO TOKYO ON FRIDAY AND TOLD REPORTERS HE WAS STRUCK BY THE LACK OF GREENERY IN THE METROPOLIS.

AKIYAMA, 48, A REPORTER WITH THE TOKYO BROADCASTING SYSTEM (TBS), SPENT FIVE DAYS ON BOARD THE MIR SPACE STATION EARLIER THIS MONTH AFTER FIRST ORBITING THE EARTH WITH TWO SOVIET ASTRONAUTS IN THE SOYUZ SPACE CAPSULE.

HE MET REPORTERS AFTER BEING FLOWN TO HIS TELEVISION NETWORK STATION IN CENTRAL TOKYO BY HELICOPTER FROM NARITA AIRPORT, AND SAID THAT THE SCARCITY OF GREENERY HE HAD OBSERVED FROM THE AIR HAD GIVEN HIM A STRONG IMPRESSION OF HOW REGULATED SOCIETY HAD BECOME.

AKIYAMA SAID THAT FROM SPACE THE EARTH IS A STAR OF WATER AND CLOUDS, AND EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT CONCERN FOR ITS NATURAL ENVIRONMENT WOULD BE PASSED ON TO THE YOUNGER GENERATIONS. HE SAID HE HOPED THAT CHILDREN OFTEN LOOKED UP TO THE SKIES AND ASKED THEMSELVES WHAT THEY COULD DO TO PROTECT THE GLOBE.

HE SAID HE HAD NO HEALTH PROBLEMS OTHER THAN A LINGERING PAIN IN HIS HIPS CAUSED BY BODILY CONTORTIONS DURING THE MIR DOCKING PROCEDURE.

THE NEW YEAR IS EXPECTED TO BE A BUSY ONE FOR AKIYAMA SINCE HE HAS ALREADY

RECEIVED AS MANY AS 50 INVITATIONS TO SPEAK ABOUT HIS EXPERIENCES IN SPACE FROM VARIOUS AUTONOMOUS BODIES AND SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE.

AKIYAMA WAS DRIVEN THROUGH THE STREETS TO HIS OFFICE IN AN OPEN CAR AND WAS GREETED WITH CHEERS FROM THE PUBLIC AND SHOWERS OF CONFETTI THROWN FROM OFFICE WINDOWS.

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#90361m0002 12/27/1990 ~Market Consensus Surveys

FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 27) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

IN THE NEWS:

November durable goods orders are down a steep 10.5%. This is far worse than analysts expectations of a 2.2% decline.

Opening of the New York Stock Exchange and the American Stock Exchange has been delayed indefinitely due to an explosion on Water Street in New York. ... There is light volume in the overseas markets: ... The Nikkei is marginally higher, adding 53 points ... In London, the FTSE is up 9 points in early afternoon trading. ... The dollar is mixed. ... The long bond is priced to yield 8.27% in overnight trading. ... After yesterday's gains, Brent crude is little changed at $26.75, up 5 cents. ... The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS says existing home sales rose 3% in November, the first monthly increase since August. ... Merger activity fell 47% from 1989 to 1990, according to a report by SECURITIES DATA CO. ... A bankruptcy judge has barred the NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE from seeking a record $50 million fine from DREXEL BURNHAM LAMBERT. ... AMERICAN AIRLINES had to cancel flights yesterday because more than 500 pilots called in sick to protest stalled contract talks.

WHAT'S AHEAD:

MOBIL says it might eventually form an oil exploration and production venture with the SOVIET UNION and VIETNAM when the 15-year U.S. trade embargo against Vietnam is ended. ... U.S. beer sales are expected to rise 2.3% to a record 190 million barrels when 1990 figures are tallied.

FROM THE BULLS:

Intermediate and long term indicators continue to signal buy for DON WOLANCHUK of the "Wolanchuk Hotline." "The Middle East has got investors sitting on their hands while stocks climb higher," says Wolanchuk who sees the market eventually discounting news events and "going to 3000 and much higher" in the weeks ahead. While the large degree of skepticism and fear is a big plus, he warns of possible sharp declines at any time -- "they should be used for

buying." (CNBC "World Business", 12/27)

FROM THE BEARS:

"We don't think [the rally will] last very long," says ERICH HEINEMANN at LADENBURG, THALMANN & CO. "We're pretty cautious and we see it as a bear-market rally." ("USA Today", 12/27)

STOCK MARKET:

"It's a holiday market," says KENNETH GERBINO, who manages a $40 million fund from Beverly Hills, Calif. "It's tough to have any faith in anything that's happening. ... My feeling right now is that the market is probably going to trend a little higher. But I have a feeling that the poor fundamentals for companies and the anticipated slow-growth economy over the next few years are going to keep the buying enthusiasm at a low rate." Gerbino expects the Dow to trade in a range of 2000 and 2750 for the next two years. ("Investor's Daily", 12/27)

Some analysts say stocks have already discounted a war and will be little affected if fighting breaks out. "I tend to doubt that. I suspect the initial emotional reaction would probably be down 50-100 Dow points," says ARNOLD MOSKOWITZ of MOSKOWITZ CAPITAL CONSULTING. "For the most part, I don't think [the effect] will be long lasting." Moskowitz says portfolios should not be structured on whether we will or will not have war. "One should pick value in the market and buy around those value levels." (CNBC "World Business", 12/27)

"My guess is that 1991 is what we call an 'inside year'," says OPPENHEIMER's MICHAEL METZ. "The market will trade within the boundaries of 1990 ... between 2400 and 3000." Going against the market will be the lack of earnings momentum caused by a recession Metz sees lasting almost all of next year. The positives are interest rates which Metz sees headed lower, inflation which is "going much lower," and a stimulative monetary policy. The bottom line: "A slight upward bias, but no great thrills in 1991." (CNBC "Business View", 12/26)

"I think we've seen the [bear market's] low," says WILLIAM LeFEVRE, market strategist at ADVEST INC. He notes that the market is close to having retraced half the drop from its July highs to its October lows. He says stocks may pull back once they have reached that level, but he doubts that the Dow Jones Industrial Average will fall further than the low 2500s. He adds that many money managers missed the rally from the October lows and now are waiting for share prices to drop so they can get back into the market. Eager money will cushion any market declines and keep sell-offs shallow. (WSJ, 12/27)

"We think stocks and bonds are relatively equal, but the risk is that earnings

could be revised" lower still, says MICHAEL LEAVY, investment analyst at QUANTILOGIC ASSET MANAGEMENT CO. (WSJ, 12/27)

Lacking positive underpinnings, the market's technical background is rated neutral to negative by BOB NUROCK of "Bob Nurock's Advisory." However, Nurock says, There are "some signs of improvement that point to a better environment in the future." Fed easing should somewhat buoy investor optimism in the short term which, along with normal year-end influences, should give the market a positive bias. But Nurock warns, "We remain cautious and concerned that the bear market has not ended." (CNBC "World Business", 12/27)

"The main support of the day [yesterday] was bonds and the main feature was strong oil stocks," says JON GROVEMAN at LADENBURG, THALMANN. "But the light volume means a lot of people didn't come in ... It means that they didn't really care about the market." ("The Washington Post", 12/27)

"A lot of people are clinging to the sidelines and taking a wait-and- see attitude" toward the stock market, says A. MARSHALL ACUFF, strategist at SMITH BARNEY. "Most people are anticipating a number of poor" fourth-quarter earnings reports in January. (WSJ, 12/27)

STOCK TIPS:

ARNOLD MOSKOWITZ, head of MOSKOWITZ CAPITAL CONSULTANTS, says the industrial and technology sectors look like the best moves in the current environment of a "short, but severe recession lasting until midyear." He also likes export-related stocks because of the weak dollar, and some banks stocks as interest rates fall. Specific stocks he likes include INTERNATIONAL PAPER, DOW, MONSANTO, AMEX, ALCOA and, among banks, NCNB, FIRST WACHOVIA, WELLS FARGO and BANKAMERICA. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/26)

GEORGE GASPAR of ROBERT W. BAIRD says higher earnings will allow oil companies to focus more on drilling, which should help them increase reserves. He recommends stock in WESTERN COMPANY OF NORTH AMERICA and BAROID CORP. ("USA Today", 12/27)

1991 will be a year for stock pickers, according to OPPENHEIMER's chief market strategist MICHAEL METZ. Growth stocks will benefit from favorable trends in interest rates and inflation, and Metz likes PHILIP MORRIS in the group. Now near its low of the past two years is XEROX which Metz picks as a "phoenix stock." Metz hopes the company will move out of it's disastrous financial services foray which is depressing the value of its strong copier business. DIGITAL is a "quasi-speculative," very cheap, "value stock" with lots of excess cash. Rounding out his 1991 top five are REYNOLDS METALS and INTERNATIONAL PAPER. (CNBC "Business View", 12/26)

NOMURA RESEARCH INSTITUTE, the research arm of NOMURA SECURITIES suggests that the Japanese are once again bullish on corporate America. "After we finished

our research, we found potential in the U.S.," says MAKOTO HIRANUMA, manager at NRI's U.S. affiliate, NOMURA RESEARCH INSTITUTE AMERICA, INC. ISAO YAMAMOTO, a securities analyst with NRI says, "We see a turning around in U.S. industry competitiveness since the mid-1980s." Through the first half of the decade, the research firm projects that the net earnings of 265 non- financial U.S. companies will grow an average of 13%, outpacing the 7% rate projected for 400 companies in Japan. Among NRI's top picks: COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP., CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC., ELI LILLY & CO., BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB CO., WAL-MART STORES INC., DOW CHEMICAL CO., TOYS R US INC., MERCK & CO. INC. and BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP. ("Investor's Daily", 12/27)

DAVID BOSTIAN, chief economist and market strategist at JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL, has reduced cash from 40% in July to 10% now. He's got 40% in Treasury bonds, 10% in gold, 10% in utilities and 30% in multinational growth stocks such as IBM, MERCK, MOTOROLA, BRISTOL- MYERS and GENERAL ELECTRIC. ("USA Today", 12/27)

Oil shares advanced strongly yesterday after GEORGE FRIESEN, oil analyst for the DEUTSCHE BANK CAPITAL GROUP in New York, was quoted as forecasting that fourth-quarter profits at CHEVRON, BRITISH PETROLEUM, PHILLIPS PETROLEUM, TEXACO and UNOCAL would "more than double." Texaco jumped 2 1/4 at one point during the day and CONSTANTINE FLIAKOS, oil analyst at MERRILL LYNCH, said he thought the profit forecast for Texaco was "very conservative." (NYT, 12/27)

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FALLS CHURCH, VA (DEC. 27) MCS -- A SAMPLING OF TODAY'S COMMENTARY COMPILED BY MARKET CONSENSUS SURVEYS, INC. IN TWO SECTIONS (1) STOCKS (2) MONEY & ECONOMY.

MONEY & CREDIT:

"Tensions in the Soviet Union and the Middle East continue to provide support for the dollar," says EARL JOHNSON, vice president and trader at HARRIS TRUST & CO. in Chicago. (NYT, 12/27)

"I think we will see that it's going to take larger declines in interest rates in this particular cycle to restart the economy than might have been the case under more favorable circumstances" in the domestic banking industry, says CHARLES LIEBERMAN at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER SECURITIES. (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up" 12/26)

"Despite the precipitous declines in both the economy and interest rates recently, we believe rates are about to level off because the recession should be bottoming out by early spring," says EUGENE SHERMAN, senior vice president and chief economist at the FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK of New York. "Nor do we

think the yield on the long bond will break below 8 percent, except perhaps briefly during intraday trading in the next few weeks." Mr. Sherman expects the economy to begin its recovery in early spring, but says that it will be "a painfully slow recovery, but a recovery nevertheless." (NYT, 12/27)

"Recession gives the bond market a positive tone," says CAROL STONE, senior economist at NOMURA SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL INC. She says the bond market also reacted positively to "one rumor after another" out of the Middle East. ("Investor's Daily", 12/27)

"The possibility of war now seems a little less likely because it seems we may be a little closer to negotiating with Iraq, and that is what lifted bond prices," says STUART HOFFMAN, a vice president at PNC FINANCIAL CORP. in Pittsburgh. (WSJ, 12/27)

THE ECONOMY:

"I think this recession is going to be fairly deep, and the normal response [in the economy] to interest-rate cuts may be more muted this time. That means it will take longer to get things moving again and thus deeper rate cuts than you might expect," says BRIAN FABBRI, chief economist at MIDLAND MONTAGUE in New York. He says the fed funds rate could drop to 6% by July from the current 7%. But the Fed will reduce rates further because of surprising weakness in the economy. (WSJ, 12/27)

"It appears likely that the committee will identify a month between June and September 1990 as the peak of activity in the economy and the onset of a recession," reports a panel of private economists used by the government to decide whether the economy is officially in a recession. "However, because many data are still preliminary, the committee has not made a definite determination of the turning point," adds the panel. ("Investor's Daily", 12/27)

"The first quarter is likely to be very weak just on the basis of momentum," says CHARLES LIEBERMAN at MANUFACTURERS HANOVER SECURITIES. "We're likely to get more losses in jobs. A lot of people don't like to lay off workers at the end of the year around the holidays. That implies that a lot of layoffs are probably coming in January. I suspect that is true, certainly, in the securities industry and I suspect it's true in retailing. ... We're clearly still heading lower." (CNBC "Market Wrap-Up", 12/26)

"There's still a possibility the recession will be very mild -- unless, of course, you're in real estate, which is somewhere between deep recession and mild depression," says DAVID BOSTIAN, chief economist and market strategist at JESUP, JOSEPHTHAL. "My economic indicators have not signaled a new expansion. But they suggest the economy is reaching a trough." ("USA Today", 12/27)

"A majority of U.S. manufacturers believe the nation's economy is in a

recession, but 75% say their companies' 1991 profits will equal or exceed current levels, according to the GRANT THORNTON SURVEY OF AMERICAN MANUFACTURERS. In the random survey of 250 U.S. manufacturers with annual sales between $10 million and $500 million, more than one-fifth of those surveyed said the country is not in a recession, but will enter one in 1991. Only 8% believe a recession will not occur in the next 12 months. As for inflation, four out of ten say inflation will increase, and nearly half believe the rate will remain flat over the next year. Only 13% believe lower inflation is in the works. ("Investor's Daily", 12/27)

"Even if we come out of recession, home prices are still likely to be flat," says LAWRENCE BACOW, director of the MIT CENTER FOR REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT. "They can't keep rising -- otherwise, people won't qualify for mortgages." BILL DUNKELBERG, dean of the TEMPLE UNIVERSITY business school, lists another reason he thinks the home real estate market won't snap back quickly: "We had eight years to overbuild. Usually we have only four years. The industry will be weak for a while." ("USA Today", 12/27)

"Although the worst is probably over for the housing sector, it's going to be a long bottom," says DAVID WYSS at DRI-McGRAW HILL. "Mortgage rates have not come down that much and with home prices still declining, people are afraid to buy." ("USA Today", 12/27)

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#90361p6211 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of Cagle's Inc. (AMEX: CGLA) has authorized a plan to make a tender offer to repurchase its shares of Class A common stock held by shareholders owning less than 100 shares for a purchase price of $8.00 per share.

Only those shareholders who owned fewer than 100 shares on Oct. 31, 1990, may participate in the tender offer. The tender offer shall commence on Jan. 2, 1991, and shall terminate on Feb. 15, 1991. The company intends to hold the stock it reacquires in treasury for general corporate purposes. Currently, the company has 2,246,538 shares outstanding and entitled to vote.

CONTACT: Kenneth R. Barkley, secretary-treasurer of Cagle's, 404-355-2820

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#90361p6214 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WATERTOWN, CT (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The MC400 Mobile Computer, manufactured by the London, England-based PSION PLC., has been named the Laptop Computer of The Year by a panel of international computer journalists. The computer emerged with the highest overall score of the competition, beating out global contenders, including several Japanese entries.

According to the panelists, representatives of trade journals of seven European countries and Japan, the MC400 represents "the most significant realization of the truly portable computer with a 60 hour battery life and the use of Solid State Disks (SSDs) for data storage."

The MC400 captured the laptop division title and the highest overall score based on a decisive edge in technological innovation. Incorporating a number of ground-breaking technologies, including the pioneering use of Flash EPROM Memory and a high contrast, reverse retardation film screen, the MC400 owns the longest battery life in the industry.

Among the lightest full-featured computers in the competition at 4.5 lbs., the MC400 was also praised for its intuitive, graphic user interface and complete multi-tasking capabilities. MC400 users can run up to 23 applications simultaneously.

In this, the 10th annual competition sponsored by the German computer magazine CHIP, the highest ranking computers in five different categories were awarded the prestigious title. Judges made their selections based on the following criteria: particular significance for market development; technical innovation; and complete product development and market availability.

Antony Revis, president of PSION INC., U.S. subsidiary of PSION PLC., said, "PSION is honored to receive the recognition of some of the leading authorities in the field. PSION has a definitive market focus -- that is manufacturing completely portable, full-featured computers. This formula has produced a tradition of award winning products from hand-held to notebook computers."

CONTACT: Alfred Balasco of PSION INC., 617-237-8538.

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#90361p6217 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HECTOR, MN (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Hector Communications Corporation (HCC) announced today that its common stock will be included in the next expansion of the NASDAQ National Market System (NMS) which will take place Jan. 2, 1991.

Curtis A. Sampson, chairman and chief executive officer, pointed out that HCC's entry into NMS provides investors with the best of both worlds -- the continuous transaction data of the exchanges and vigorous competition among multiple market makers that is the hallmark of the NASDAQ. Stockbrokers will be able to provide last-sale prices and up-to-the-second volume information on the company's common stock for their customers throughout the trading day.

HCC will be included in the NMS newspaper stock table which shows high, low and closing prices for the most active and prominent NASDAQ securities. The quotation symbol for HCC is HCCO.

HCC owns and operates five rural telephone companies, a cable TV system, has investments in five cellular rural service areas and is the general partner of the cellular telephone system in Rochester, Minn.

CONTACT: Curtis A. Sampson, Paul N. Hanson or Avis J. Johnson, of Hector Communications Corporation, 612-848-6231.

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#90361p6219 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HARRISBURG, PA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Attorney General Ernie Preate Jr. today sued a Pittsburgh publishing company over its alleged failure to produce promised local business directories or refund the advertising revenue.

Named as defendants in the suit filed in Allegheny County Common Pleas Court are Area Directory Publishers Inc., 421 Cochran Road, Pittsburgh, and its president, Alvin Ullman, of 117 Dillon Drive, Pittsburgh.

The suit was filed by Deputy Attorney General Caren L. Mariani, attorney-in-charge of the Pittsburgh office of Preate's Bureau of Consumer Protection.

The suit alleges that the defendants have sold ads in the promised directories dating back at least to 1986 but have never produced the directories or refunded advertisers' money.

The following complaints from consumers are listed in the suit: -- An $837 ad purchased in January 1988 for an Upper St. Clair directory the defendants were to publish in September 1988;

-- A $613 ad purchased in May 1986 for a Mount Lebanon directory the defendants were to publish in April 1987; and

-- A $252 ad purchased in July 1986 for a Bethel Park directory the defendants were to publish in March 1987.

"We allege that consumers' repeated demands for refunds have been ignored by the defendants," Preate said.

The suit asks the court to order the defendants to make restitution to affected consumers and to pay civil penalties.

CONTACT: Jack J. Lewis of the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office, 717-787-5211, or home at 717-657-9840.

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#90361p6223 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

DALTON, GA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - CrownAmerica, Inc. (NASDAQ: CRNA), a major processor of filament yarn for U.S. and international carpet manufacturers, today reported operating results for the first quarter of its 1991 fiscal year.

Lane Hamilton, president of the Dalton-based firm, said revenues for the quarter ended Dec. 1, 1990, reached $18,768,000, up from $18,341,000 posted in the first quarter a year ago. Net income for the most recent quarter was $1,158,000, or $1.10 per share, an increase over the $403,000, or $.38 per share, recorded in the comparable quarter of the previous year.

First quarter net income for fiscal 1991 included an after tax profit of $900,000, or $.85 per share, from the sale of a plant in Valdosta, Ga., and also an exchange loss of $35,000, or $.03 per share. First quarter net income for fiscal 1990 included approximately $89,000, or $.08 per share, in foreign exchange gains and proceeds from the disposal of surplus equipment.

"Our results for the first quarter of fiscal 1991 were in line with our expectations," Hamilton said. "Income generated from operations at both our U.S. and overseas plants was satisfactory, particularly in light of a sluggish enconomic environment."

Hamilton said the Company's expansion program at its Dalton, Ga. plant is continuing on schedule, with full production slated for March 1991. The expansion will virtually double the size and capacity of the facility.

"This expanded plant will enable us to be more efficient in our processing of filament yarn," he continued. "We will be in a strong position to capitalize on new business opportunities once economic conditions improve," he added.

CrownAmerica, Inc. is engaged chiefly in the processing of heat-set filament yarn for the carpet industry through its Texture-Tex subsidiaries, which operate plants in Dalton, Ga., and near Heerlen in The Netherlands.

CONTACT: Lane Hamilton, President, CrownAmerica, Inc., 404-278-1422.

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#90361p6224 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WILMINGTON, DE (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Du Pont Merck today reported that the Food and Drug Administration has cleared for use the first non-surgical cardiac imaging agent that pinpoints heart attack damage, evaluates perfusion (blood flow) and determines pumping efficiency in a single study. Known as "Cardiolite" (technetium Tc-99m Sestamibi), the imaging agent will help physicians determine treatment possibilities.

The agent allows imaging of the heart up to four hours after injection, enabling doctors to first stabilize heart attack patients in hospital

emergency rooms, and then to acquire images that show the heart as it appeared during the heart attack. Following treatment with clot-dissolving drugs, "Cardiolite" can be injected again. Comparison of the original and follow-up images identifies heart tissue saved by the initial therapy.

"Cardiolite" was discovered and developed by researchers at Du Pont, Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. It has been studied worldwide in clinical trials involving more than 2,100 patients to determine safety and efficacy.

"Cardiolite" is a non-radioactive preparation that can be stocked in hospitals to make it convenient for emergency and routine examinations. It is transformed into a tracer when combined with technetium, a widely used radioisotope available in hospitals around the clock.

Injected into the bloodstream, "Cardiolite" travels to the heart muscle, where it becomes fixed in cell tissue. Using imaging cameras available in most hospitals, physicians can see heart-pumping action and detect scar tissue. "Cardiolite" is suitable for two-dimensional (planar) and three-dimensional (SPECT) imaging camera systems.

"Cardiolite" offers distinct advantages over thallium, the widely used cardiac imaging radioisotope introduced by Du Pont in 1977. While "Cardiolite" can be stocked, thallium doses are radioactive when shipped and must be ordered for each study, thus requiring advanced scheduling of patients. "Cardiolite" also allows imaging of the heart up to four hours after injection -- more than 15 times longer than thallium -- allowing more time for imaging.

Besides imaging, physicians sometimes require an in-hospital test called cardiac catheterization. Doctors insert a small tube into the groin or arm and "snake" it through the blood vessels and into the heart. Through this procedure they can examine the arteries for blockage. Advancements in cardiac imaging may reduce the number of invasive cardiac catheterizations performed.

"Cardiolite" has been evaluated extensively in worldwide clinical trials. It is approved in the United States as a myocardial perfusion agent, useful in distinguishing normal from abnormal myocardium (heart tissue) and in localizing the abnormality in patients with suspected myocardial infarction (heart attack). It is also useful in the assessment of ventricular function (cardiac pumping action). This agent also is being studied for other applications. Already completed are studies to determine the efficacy of "Cardiolite" in detecting areas at risk of permanent damage. Worldwide clinical trials are under way to monitor its use in assessing the effectiveness of blood clot-dissolving therapies in coronary artery disease.

The company manufactures products for healthcare and life sciences research. Worldwide sales for medical products were $1.6 billion in 1989.

CONTACT: Roger Morris of Du Pont Merck, 302-992-4747, or home, 215-274-8027; George Beller, M.D., chief of cardiology, University of Virginia School of Medicine, 804-924-2134; or Daniel S. Berman, M.D., director of nuclear cardiology of Cedar-Sinai Medical Center, 213-855-4224.

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#90361p6225 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

BINGHAMTON, NY (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - New York State Electric & Gas Corporation (NYSE: NGE) has elected to redeem on Feb. 1, 1991, $18,924,000 principal amount of its First Mortgage Bonds, 10 5/8 percent series due 2016. The redemption price will be 100 percent of the principal amount of the bonds together with accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. Funds for the redemption will be provided out of cash deposited pursuant to the sinking fund in the company's First Mortgage. Currently $125,000,000 of this series is outstanding.

CONTACT: K.B. Hooper of New York State Electric & Gas, 607-729-2551.

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#90361p6227 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Joseph J. Whiteside, a 24-year veteran of the banking industry, joined Equimark Corp. (NYSE: EQK) today as executive vice president and chief financial officer, according to Gary W. Fiedler, chairman and chief executive officer.

He replaces Michael Jehle who lef the position last week. Whiteside joins Equimark from Bank of New England where he had been chief financial officer from October 1982 until June 1989 when he was tapped to become president and chief executive officer of BancNewEngland Mortgage Co. He held that position for one year and is credited with rebuilding the residential mortgage operation.

Most recently Whiteside has been part of the strategic recovery team at Bank of New England where he was in charge of the cost reduction effort that is being conducted as part of the down sizing of that company.

"We are fortunate to have a person of Mr. Whiteside's caliber, knowledge and experience join this organization," said Fiedler. "He is very highly regarded in the industry, especially his problem-solving abilities and the level of integrity he brings to the financial function."

Whiteside, a native of Pittsburgh, spent 16 years with Mellon Bank here in a variety of assignments including credit, cash management, mergers and acquisitions and finance. He received a bachelor of science degree from the University of Notre Dame and M.S. and M.B.A. degrees from the University of Pittsburgh.

Equimark Corp. is a diversified financial services institution with total assets of approximately $3.5 billion. Equimark's principal subsidiaries are Equibank, The Liberty Financial Group Inc., EquiManagement Inc. and Treasure Valley Bancorp Inc. Equibank, with assets of approximately $2.8 billion, operates 55 offices in southwestern Pennsylvania. Liberty is the parent of Liberty Savings Bank, a Philadelphia-based, FDIC-insured savings bank with 21 offices and assets of approximately $652 million. EquiManagement provides management consulting services, primarily to financial institutions. Treasure Valley Bancorp Inc. is the parent of Treasure Valley Bank, an FDIC-insured bank with assets of approximately $87 million and 10 offices in southwestern Idaho.

CONTACT: Joyce Stump of Equimark, 412-288-5932.

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#90361p6229 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PHILADELPHIA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Philadelphia Electric Co. (NYSE: PE) said today that contract awards through its Minority Business Development Program increased by 50 percent to $30 million in 1990.

According to Earl K. Parker, program director, PE's program to develop and use minority vendors within its service territory has become the most successful such utility program in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, increasing 30-fold over the past decade.

When the program began in 1981, he said, PE awarded 47 contracts, valued at $1.2 million, to firms controlled by minorities and women.

After one year, that number jumped to 106 contracts valued at $5.5 million, and by 1989 the company awarded 1,212 minority contracts valued at $20.6 million.

In 1990, there have been 1,050 contracts valued at about $30 million. "We are very pleased with the growth of our minority business development effort and Earl Parker has played a key role in that growth," said Joseph F. Paquette Jr. PE chairman and chief executive officer.

"Philadelphia Electric is committed to expanding the program further," he said "to make sure we continue to provide growth opportunities for minority vendors. It represents good business for PE and for the region."

Parker, who is retiring from PE this month after a 30-year career with the company, recalled that at the beginning of the program "there weren't many minority suppliers approaching our company. They thought it would be impossible to do business with us."

Parker noted the awards PE has received for its work with the minority business community, including the Minority Business Development Award, presented to PE in 1988 by the Edison Electric Institute; the Corporation of the Year Award, presented to the company by the New Penn Del Regional Minority Purchasing Council, and the Business Award of the Coalition of Minority Contractors, presented in 1982.

Parker also has received many individual awards for his work, including the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce Small Business Council Minority Advocate of the Year Award in 1985; the Edison Electric Institute's Minority Business Development Task Force Chairman's Award in 1987, and the U.S. Small Business Administration Small Business Advocate of the Year Award in 1986.

For further information about PE's Minority Business Development Program, contractors may call 215-841-5531.

CONTACT: Lou Perri of Philadelphia Electric, 215-841-4133.

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#90361p6231 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

GOLDEN, CO (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Canyon Resources Corp. (NASDAQ: CYNR), a Colorado-based mining company, announced today that Kennecott Exploration Co. has entered into farm-in and stock purchase agreements with Canyon and its wholly owned subsidiary, CR Briggs, whereby Kennecott will fund $25 million of expenditures on the Briggs property in the Panamint Range, Calif., and purchase 4 million shares of Canyon stock for $10 million (at $2.50 per share) in order to earn a 51 percent interest in the property. Kennecott has the right to withdraw from the farm-in joint venture at any time.

Kennecott has paid Canyon $5 million for 2 million shares of Canyon stock and has committed to expend $1 million on the property during a six month period from Dec. 1, 1990. Kennecott may withdraw from the farm-in agreement by May 31, 1991 and require Canyon to repurchase 1 million shares of its stock by April 1, 1994. The repurchase price is $2.50 per share if completed by June 1 1993, or $3 per share if after June 1, 1993.

In order to continue with the project, Kennecott must expend an additional $1 million on the property prior to Dec. 1, 1991. If Kennecott elects to take over operatorship from Canyon and proceed into the second year, Kennecott will pay Canyon $5 million for an additional 2 million shares of Canyon common stock by Dec. 15, 1991. Upon purchase of the second 2 million shares and so long as Kennecott owns 10 percent or more of Canyon's common stock, Kennecott will have the right to nominate a director for Canyon's board of directors.

Kennecott must expend an additional $3 million on the project (a total of $5 million) by June 1, 1993. If Kennecott drops out of the joint venture without having expended the full $5 million on the property, it will have no retained

ownership interest in the project.

Kennecott obtains its full 51 percent ownership through the expenditure of an additional $20 million on the property. At that point, Kennecott will have the optional right to acquire an additional 9 percent ownership in the Briggs property by payment of $10 million or the return of the 4 million shares of Canyon common stock to Canyon.

Canyon Resources acquired the 24,000 acre Briggs property in January 1990 when it purchased Addwest Gold Inc. The Briggs property contains one drill-defined gold mineralized occurrence of 17.2 million tons of rock with an average grade of 0.035 ounce of gold per ton. "This joint venture agreement and purchase of Canyon stock by Kennecott conveys Kennecott's enthusiasm for the potential of the Briggs property to contain several such gold deposits," stated Richard H. De Voto, president of Canyon Resources.

Kennecott Exploration is a wholly owned subsidiary of Kennecott Corp., a large U.S. copper and precious metal mining company. Kennecott Corp. is itself a wholly owned subsidiary of London-based RTZ Corp. PLC., the world's largest international mining company.

Canyon Resources currently produces gold and silver from the Kendall Mine in Montana and also produces and sells industrial mineral products from a Nevada plant.

CONTACT: Linda J. Engel of Canyon Resources Corp., 303-278-8464.

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#90361p6232 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Padilla Speer Beardsley Inc. public relations today announced the expansion of its international consulting practice with the formation of a wholly owned subsidiary, Padilla Speer Beardsley International. Managing director of PSBI will be David J. Speer, now serving as commissioner of Trade and Economic Development for Minnesota.

PSBI will provide consulting services in the increasingly important areas of strategic public relations, economic development and trade brokering for clients doing business across regional and national boundaries, said John Beardsley, chairman and chief executive officer of Padilla Speer Beardsley. Start-up date for the enterprise is Feb. 1.

The new subsidiary represents the second phase of Padilla Speer Beardsley's outreach to meet changing client needs in transnational markets. Two years ago, the company was a founding partner of The WORLDCOM Group, Inc., now the world's largest independent public relations organization, and the firm's New York office serves as secretariat for the more than 100 WORLDCOM offices on six continents.

Speer, whose four-year term as commissioner expires in January, has been on leave from Padilla Speer Beardsley, of which he is a founding partner.

Joining Speer at PSBI, as directors, will be P. Richard Bohr, presently executive director of the Minnesota Trade Office, and Gregory Peterson, vice president in the Public Affairs Group of Padilla Speer Beardsley.

PSBI will work closely with other WORLDCOM partner firms to implement programs for U.S. clients in other nations, and it will utilize the experience of its principals and the resources of Padilla Speer Beardsley to manage programs for businesses, organizations and units of government that want to reach publics in the U.S.

Padilla Speer Beardsley is a full-service public relations counseling firm with offices in Minneapolis, St. Paul and New York and affiliations with companies around the world through The WORLDCOM Group.

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#90361p6241 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation today announced that its proprietary technologies will be employed at an ethylene plant to be built in Malaysia.

The Total Petrochemicals Sdn. Bhd. plant, located in Pasir Gudang, Johor Bahry Malaysia, will use Stone & Webster's Advanced Recovery System (ARS) and its Ultra Selective Cracking (USC) pyrolysis technology to produce some 230,000 metric tons of ethylene and 115,000 metric tons of propylene annually. Feedstocks will be naptha and liquefied petroleum gas. In addition, Titan will use Stone & Webster's proprietary advanced control software to oversee plant operations.

The plant, scheduled to be operational by 1993, is the second grass- roots facility to use the recently introduced ARS technology. USC technology is used in numerous process facilities worldwide.

Besides providing the process design package, Stone & Webster will assist the client with start up and commissioning.

Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation, a subsidiary of Stone & Webster, Incorporated (NYSE: SW), has its world headquarters for process work in Houston. In addition to engineering and building oil/gas processing, petrochemical and refining facilities, Stone & Webster undertakes environmental, electric power, transportation, pulp and paper and other industrial projects around the world. The firm has major process affiliates

in the United Kingdom and Canada.

CONTACT: Martin Reynolds of Stone & Webster, 617-589-1905.

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#90361p6245 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TRENTON, NJ (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Myles M. Kranzler, president and chairman of Base Ten Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: BASEA), announced today that fiscal 1990 produced a net profit of $1.76 million on revenues of $47.6 million, or $0.50 per share, and predicted that after a slow start, 1991 will be profitable but with revenues in the $30 to $35 million range. "Our forecasts show 1992 sales of over $40 million with better than $.80 per share net earnings and a continuation of growth in both sales and profits in 1993.

"The forecast financial performance over the next three years depends on our ability to book available sales in the weapons control business and the contract manufacturing market while trying to expand new business opportunities in the secure communications (privacy of information) and environmental control fields.

"Our long-term purpose is to make the defense business subordinate to other areas where our electronic design and development skills can generate growth. The short-term objective is to maintain present revenues while we define the growth business in which we can be successful. We are exploring environmental control markets because we believe they are very long term and will grow in size and importance over the next decade. Our historical successes in the data acquisition market gives us a good place to start since all environmental controls begin with data acquisition.

"Base Ten has already achieved measurable success in secure communications applications and we expect expansion. To accelerate growth in this business, we have hired an experienced manager, Mr. Frank Newdeck, who comes to us from Unisys where he achieved an outstanding record of performance.

"Of course, the biggest challenge we have to overcome is our long dependence on the Tornado program which has accounted for a large portion of our revenues over the past 14 years. In 1990, we derived $28 million from our Tornado products. In 1991, we are forecasting about $14 million in Tornado revenues with several million more in 1992. We have found new customers and products to begin to replace Tornado revenues and we are looking for others.

"The reduction of Tornado business prompted us to reexamine our basic strengths and adopt a business course of broader scope and longevity.

"Acquiring new business takes longer now than in prior years. We have many real bidding opportunities but the government is slower to respond because of increased scrutiny and intense competition. By and large, however, our skills

and creativity will continue to bring us success as we adjust to a market driven economy.

"We have completed half of the restructuring of our U.K. subsidiary, Base Ten Systems, Ltd., and intend to finish by the spring at which time we will have reduced our costs to a minimum and our staff to a small engineering and service group. This action, along with the 'right sizing' of our Trenton facility in August, has cut our operating costs by almost $3 million annually and improved our competitiveness while retaining a very strong technical and management team.

"By cost control and increased productivity we have generated cash to begin the meaningful payback of outstanding loans. In 1991 we will produce additional cash to continue this process. Our banking relationships remain sound and we have an adequate revolving credit line. Our current ratio improved from 2.18 to 2.64. In addition, our net worth increased from $10.7 million to $13 million or from $3.05 per share to $3.70 per share and our retained earnings have risen from a ($908,000) deficit to a surplus of $850,000. The last year has helped us focus on cash accumulation and debt reduction and it is from this base that we plan to increase shareholder values.

"Our annual report covering new opportunities in secure communications and environmental controls will contain a copy of our 10-K and be mailed to all shareholders in early February."

CONTACT: William M. Errickson of Base Ten Systems, 609-586-7010.

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RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Kaiser Steel Resources Inc. (NASDAQ: KSRI) announced today that Browning-Ferris Industries (NYSE: BFI) has purchased a 50 percent interest in Mine Reclamation Corp., the company developing a state-of-the-art rail-haul municipal landfill at Eagle Mountain, Kaiser's closed iron ore pits east of Los Angeles.

BFI, the second largest waste disposal firm in the nation, paid $10 million for the equity position. The money will be used to continue the permitting and marketing activities for the Eagle Mountain rail-haul project. BFI also committed back stop financing for the eventual development and operation of the landfill.

Richard E. Stoddard, Kaiser's chairman and chief executive officer, said, "We are very pleased with the finalization of the BFI/MRC contract and the involvement of BFI in the Eagle Mountain project. BFI's expertise in landfill permitting, development and operations will be of great benefit to the overall completion and success of the Eagle Mountain project."

Stoddard said that Kaiser's lease with MRC was modified as part of the BFI deal. Kaiser will receive a royalty payment calculated for each ton of trash deposited at the landfill rather than at the transfer stations. As volume increases, the percentage royalty will increase significantly. At the startup of the landfill operation, assuming one train per day of 3,500 tons, Kaiser expects to receive approximately $2 million per year, at current rates. At the expected permitted capacity of 20,000 tons per day, the Eagle Mountain project will have capacity well in excess of 100 years.

Kaiser, under the original lease, receives a minimum of $1.2 million annually beginning in December 1991, increasing to $2.4 million in December 1993. As part of the BFI transaction, this minimum payment will be further increased to $3.6 million annually in December 1995.

Kaiser has also formed a joint venture with EDCO Disposal to permit and develop a municipal solid waste transfer station and materials recycling facility on its redevelopment site in Fontana, Calif. Kaiser Steel Resources is developing businesses that address vital environmental issues in Southern California, including waste management, land remediation and development, and water resources.

CONTACT: Richard E. Stoddard of Kaiser Steel Resources Inc., 714-944-4155; or Scott A. Brooks of Carl Thompson Associates Inc., 303-494-5472, for Kaiser Steel Resources Inc.

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Caesars World Inc. (NYSE: CAW) today announced it has completed the acquisition of the publicly held shares of common stock of Caesars New Jersey Inc. (AMEX: CJN) it did not already own, through the merger of a wholly owned subsidiary with and into Caesars New Jersey Inc. As a result of the merger, Caesars New Jersey is now a wholly owned subsidiary of Caesars World.

The merger follows the recently completed tender offer by Caesars World for any and all outstanding shares of common stock of Caesars New Jersey it did not already own. As a result of the tender offer, Caesars World increased its holdings of Caesars New Jersey shares to approximately 99.1 percent of the shares outstanding.

Caesars World said the merger was effected under the terms of the previously announced settlement of certain lawsuits relating to the tender offer. Pursuant to the merger, the former public shareholders of Caesars New Jersey are entitled to receive $22.25 per share in cash, without interest, subject to the right of such former public shareholders to dissent from the merger in accordance with New Jersey law.

Caesars World said it is today mailing to former shareholders of Caesars New Jersey instructions to follow in order to obtain the cash payments they are entitled to as a result of the merger.

As a result of the merger, the listing of Caesars New Jersey's shares on the American Stock Exchange will be discontinued and registration of such shares under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 will be terminated.

CONTACT: Jack Leone of Caesars World Inc., 213-552-2711, ext. 263

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COLUMBIA, MD (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - RAC Income Fund, Inc. (NYSE: RMF) today announced net investment income of $12.2 million, or $1.21 per share, for the year ended Oct. 31, 1990. This compares to the previous year's $8.9 million, or $0.89 per share (the fund's start-up year, which was a 10-month period).

During the year, the company paid dividends totaling $1.27 per share. The monthly dividend was increased in May 1990 to $0.105 per share, up from $0.10 per share paid since August 1989. Based upon this current dividend level and the closing price of $10.75 for the fund's shares on Oct. 31, 1990, RAC Income Fund provided a yield of 11.7 percent on a bond-equivalent basis.

For the past nine consecutive months, RAC Income Fund's performance has been rated in the top 10 among 143 closed-end bond funds in the United States by Lipper Analytical Services, Inc., a nationally recognized mutual fund evaluation service. This ranking is based on the portfolio's total rate of return for the trailing 12 months.

As of Oct. 31, 1990, the fund's portfolio consisted of 31.8 percent of fixed-rate mortgage-backed securities, 21.9 percent of floating-rate mortgage-backed securities, 17.6 percent of fixed-rate collateralized mortgage obligations, 15.6 percent of residual interests, 8.3 percent of interest-only securities and 3 percent of principal-only securities.

RAC Income Fund, a closed-end investment fund, primarily invests in fixed-income mortgage-backed securities that are rated either "AAA" or "AA" by a nationally recognized rating agency, or are issued or guaranteed by U.S. government agencies. To a lesser degree, the fund also may invest in mortgage securities deemed to have an equivalent rating by the fund manager. The fund's goal is to distribute monthly income that is 150 to 200 basis points greater than the rate obtainable from intermediate-term U.S. Treasury securities.

RAC Income Fund is managed by Ryland Acceptance Advisers, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Ryland Acceptance Corporation. Ryland Acceptance Corporation is an indirect subsidiary of The Ryland Group, Inc.

CONTACT: Jennifer K. Collins of RAC Income Fund, 301-730-6851.

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#90361p6258 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Pattern Processing Technologies, Inc. (PPT) (NASDAQ: PPRO) today reported a net profit of $6,980 or 1 cent per share for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1990 compared with a net loss of $817,406 or 90 cents per share in fiscal year 1989. Gross revenues in fiscal year 1990 totaled $2,594,505, an increase of 75 percent compared with gross revenues of $1,477,612 in the prior fiscal year.

In the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990, the company realized a net profit of $22,713 or 2 cents per share compared with a net loss of $199,870 or 21 cents per share in the prior year's fourth quarter. Revenues in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 totaled $729,169, an increase of 42 percent compared with gross revenues of $510,586 in the prior year's fourth quarter.

The company shipped 16 vision systems in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 1990 compared with 12 vision systems in the prior year's fourth quarter. For fiscal year 1990, the company shipped 58 vision systems compared with 34 vision systems in fiscal year 1989. This increases the total number of vision systems sold since inception to 187.

Fiscal year 1990 represents the company's second consecutive year of revenue growth and the first full fiscal year of profitability. The company believes this performance is part of a long-term trend towards increasing revenues and increasing acceptance by industry of the company's machine vision products. The company had a backlog of approximately $550,000 entering into fiscal year 1991. Based on these factors, the company expects revenue results in fiscal year 1991 to exceed those of fiscal year 1990.

Pattern Processing Technologies, Inc. is engaged in designing, manufacturing, marketing and integrating machine vision-based automated inspection systems for manufacturing applications such as assembly verification, surface flaw detection, character verification and measurement tasks.

Pattern Processing Technologies, Inc.'s common stock is traded on the NASDAQ system under the symbol PPRO.

PATTERN PROCESSING TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Fourth Quarter Ended		Year-to-Date	
	1990	1989	1990	1989
Net revenues	$729,169	$444,073	$2,594,505	$1,477,612
Cost of sales	345,127	244,955	1,251,314	769,515
Gross profit	384,042	199,118	1,343,191	641,584

Operating expenses	359,744	387,591	1,320,428	1,435,324
Profit (loss) from operations	24,298	(188,473)	22,763	(793,740)
Interest income	3,178	2,925	8,757	18,764
Interest expense	(4,764)	(4,901)	(19,306)	(23,209)
Other income/expense	--	(9,421)	(5,243)	(19,221)
Net profit (loss)	$22,712	$(199,870)	$6,980	$(817,406)
Weighted average shares:				
Number outstanding	1,095,595	963,537	1,021,549	906,248
Profit/(loss) per share (A)	$.02	$(.21)	$.01	$(.90)

(A) Per-share results reflect the company's 1 for 20 reverse stock split effective June 30, 1989.

PATTERN PROCESSING TECHNOLOGIES, INC. BALANCE SHEET

	Oct. 31, 1989	Oct. 31, 1990 (Unaudited)
Current assets:		
Cash and investments	$208,979	$161,601
Receivables	335,647	626,779
Inventories	361,101	381,855
Other current assets	20,483	28,183
Total current assets	$926,210	$1,198,418
Property, plant and equipment (net)	254,266	211,645
Other assets (net)	29,680	35,365
Total assets	$1,210,156	$1,445,428
Liabilities and shareholders' equity:		
Current liabilities	$348,089	$499,711
Convertible debentures	182,000	182,000
Convertible preferred stock	475,342	475,342
Common stock	96,354	109,559
Additional paid-in capital	8,697,099	8,760,565
Accumulated (deficit)	(8,588,728)	(8,581,749)
Total shareholders' equity	680,067	763,717
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	$1,210,156	$1,445,428

CONTACT: Joseph C. Christenson of Pattern Processing Technologies, 612-942-5747.

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COLUMBUS, OH (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Clinton Gas Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ/NMS: CGAS) ("CGAS"), a natural gas producer and marketer, announced today that it has purchased a 42-mile natural gas pipeline system in Ashtabula County, Ohio,

which will be connected to a 16-mile system already owned by CGAS in the area.

The system will allow CGAS to serve a new industrial gas customer in conjunction with a public utility already serving the area. CGAS also announced the signing of a five-year industrial gas sales agreement with the industry.

Jerry D. Jordan, chairman of CGAS, stated, "CGAS is pleased to be able to expand its system in northeastern Ohio, to provide reliable local gas supplies to area industries. We will be able to provide expanded gas volumes to our existing customer as well as serving our new customer."

CGAS also reported that the company will implement a stock repurchase program to purchase in the open market up to 5 percent (308,000 shares) of the company's currently outstanding common shares. The program was authorized by the board of directors in October, with the timing to be set by management. Jordan said that the board considered the improving economic climate for natural gas companies, and the current price range of CGAS stock in relation to book value, in making its decision. Jordan added that natural gas producers should benefit from recent public attention focused on reducing United States reliance on foreign oil, and the enactment of the new Federal Clean Air Act.

The company also reported that it was negotiating along with other gas producers in an attempt to settle the class action lawsuit against Columbia Gas Transmission Corp. presently pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio. Don Nay, chief financial officer of CGAS stated that some progress toward settlement has been made, but it is too early to tell whether a full settlement can be reached.

Clinton Gas Systems, Inc., an Ohio corporation, is engaged in the business of natural gas and oil exploration, development, production, marketing and industrial energy management. All business is conducted through CGAS subsidiaries. The company's principal offices are located at 4770 Indianola Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43214, and its shares are traded on NASDAQ's National Market System under the symbol "CGAS."

CONTACT: Jerry D. Jordan, chairman of Clinton Gas Systems, Inc., 614-888-9588.

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MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Barbers(R), Hairstyling for Men & Women, Inc. (local OTC), the Minneapolis-based franchisor of full-service hair care salons known as "City Looks(R)" and "Cost Cutters Family Hair Care Shops(R)" offering value-priced hair care services, announced the appointment of Kenneth Lessall as vice president.

Lessall joins The Barbers with extensive experience in the hair care industry. After graduating from Trinity College and Cornell Law School, Lessall joined Glemby International, a leading operator of leased beauty salons and retail stores. As vice president for Africa and Europe, he moved to London where he undertook the task of developing these markets, resulting in the establishment of Glemby as a major presence in Europe and Africa. After six years abroad, he returned to the United States as corporate senior vice president responsible for a major salon division.

In 1986, Lessall established his own consulting firm specializing in offering solutions to service-oriented companies such as Elizabeth Arden and Phyto Products (France) in the areas of administration, marketing and consumer relations. In 1989, he joined the Regis Corporation as vice president and director responsible for over 200 individual beauty salons of a national retail store group.

At The Barbers, Lessall will be responsible for positioning City Looks as a premier full-service hair care salon. He will provide operational, marketing and educational support to franchise owners of City Looks salons to ensure their success and future growth.

Currently, The Barbers operates over 500 City Looks and Cost Cutters salons. The company projects an additional 85 combined units in 1991 and another 126 in fiscal 1992. The company also distributes beauty supplies and its own private label hair care products to its franchise salons.

The common stock of The Barbers, Hairstyling for Men & Women, Inc. is traded on the local over-the-counter market in Minneapolis, under the symbol "Barber Hair".

CONTACT: Joe Francis of The Barbers, 612-331-8500, ext. 125

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#90361p6266 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Alliance New Europe Fund, Inc. (NYSE: ANE) adjourned until Jan. 10, 1991, its first meeting of stockholders which convened today.

The meeting will reconvene on that date in order to vote on management's proposal that the fund convert into an open-end investment company. A stockholder vote on this proposal was postponed so that additional time would be available to receive proxies from stockholders. Approval of this proposal requires the affirmative vote of holders of 75 percent or more of the fund's outstanding shares, present in person or represented by proxy.

In proposing that the meeting be adjourned, David H. Dievler, chairman of the fund, stated that holders of 65 percent of the fund's shares outstanding on

the record date have voted thus far on the proposed conversion and that of these shares 62 percent were voted in favor.

CONTACT: Dave Dievler, chairman of Alliance New Europe Fund, 212-969-1090

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#90361p6270 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Unit Investment Trusts, investment companies that purchase fixed portfolios of selected bonds or stocks, increased their deposits through offerings in November of $715.0 million for a year-to-date total of $6.86 billion in 1990 compared to $8.96 billion through November 1989, according to statistics compiled by the Investment Company Institute.

Tax-free bond trusts issued shares in November with deposits of $556.1 million for a year-to-date total of $5.13 billion compared to $6.33 billion year-to-date in 1989. Taxable bond trusts totaled $138.3 million in November for a 1990 total of $1.27 billion compared to $1.65 billion for the prior year-to-date. Deposits to equity trusts totaled $20.6 million in November bringing the year-to-date total to $458.7 million compared to $982.7 million for the previous year-to-date.

There were 89 new tax-free bond trusts issuing shares in November, three new taxable bond trusts, and one new equity trust.

In terms of maturity, long-term bond trusts with an average weighted maturity of more than 15 years were the most commonly offered in November with $584.2 million in shareholder deposits.

Year end 1989 data on the total market value of unit trusts issued and outstanding through December 1989 indicates a total of 11,527 unit trusts with a market value as of December 1989 of $108.77 billion. According to responses of 17 sponsors, there were a total of 10,475 tax free bond trusts representing a year-end 1989 market value of $92.28 billion, 886 taxable bond trusts representing year-end 1989 market value of $11.63 billion, and 166 equity unit trusts reporting year-end 1989 market value of $4.87 billion.

The Investment Company Institute is the national association of the U.S. investment company industry.

CONTACT: Betty K. Hart of the Investment Company Institute, 202-955-3532

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CALGARY, ALBERTA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Texaco Canada Petroleum Inc. (TexCan) announced today that it jointly with Mission Energy Company (Mission)

has reached an agreement with Esso Resources Canada Limited (Esso Resources) on a proposal to acquire selected producing properties from Esso Resources in British Columbia. The contemplated transaction is subject to the finalization and execution of a definitive purchase and sale agreement and to securing necessary consents and approvals from government agencies, and other parties. Under the proposal TexCan and Mission will form a 50/50 partnership to acquire and operate the properties.

The cash purchase price of the contemplated transaction is $100 million for the acquisition of reserves estimated by a firm of independent petroleum consultants to be in excess 200 billion cubic feet of proved reserves and in excess of 100 billion cubic feet of probable reserves of natural gas and 4 million barrels of proved reserves and 2 million barrels of probable reserves of crude oil and natural gas liquids. The acquisition does not include tax pools associated with the intangible components of the properties. TexCan will operate the properties on behalf of the partnership and plans to offer employment to Esso Resources' personnel involved in the operation of the properties.

In a separate cash transaction, TexCan will acquire for $6 million Esso Resources' petroleum and natural gas rights in 21 exploration properties covering approximately 29,600 net hectares (74,000 net acres) of underdeveloped land, together with an option to drill four defined additional exploration prospects and earn rights in a further 7,600 net hectares (19,000 net acres), all in British Columbia. The acquisition does not include tax pools associates with the properties. This ransaction is also subject to the finalization and execution of a definitive purchase and sale agreement and other consents and approvals.

TexCan is owned 78 percent directly and indirectly by Texaco Inc. (NYSE: TX) of White Plains, N.Y., and 22 percent by other shareholders, primarily Canadian. The company is headquartered in Calgary, Alberta, and is listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Mission Energy Company is a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of SCEcorp (NYSE: SCE), the parent corporation of Southern California Edison Company, headquartered in Rosemead, Calif. Subsidiaries of Texaco Inc. and Mission Energy Company have formed partnerships in the U.S. for the operation of cogeneration plants which generate electricity using natural gas as a primary fuel.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The American Stock Exchange today announced

that Tolland Bank of Tolland, Conn., became the third New England bank in a month to trade on the exchange. Trading under ticker symbol TBK, the common stock opened on 300 shares at 4-1/2. The bank, which began trading 1,150,000 common shares, previously traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol TOBK.

Tolland Bank, with assets of $189.2 million as of Sept. 30, 1990, is a state-chartered stock savings bank. The bank provides a range of banking services for individual customers, as well as professional, commercial and industrial businesses throughout Tolland County.

Tolland Bank is the fifth oldest savings bank in Connecticut, and operates through its main office in Tolland, and six branch offices in the surrounding towns of Vernon, Ellington, Coventry, Stafford Springs and Willington, plus a loan production office in Vernon.

Tolland Bank reported unaudited net income of $357,000, or $.31 per share, on net interest income of $4,682,000 for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990, compared with net income of $784,000, or $.68 per share, on net interest income of $4,680,000 for the comparable period in 1989. At Sept. 30, 1990, the bank had shareholders' equity equal to 8.38 percent of total assets of $189.3 million, a ratio well in excess of regulatory requirements.

CONTACT: Lisa Kravitz American Stock Exchange, 212-306-1632

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#90361p6280 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Best Buy Co., Inc. (NYSE: BBY) today reported financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended Dec. 1, 1990.

According to Richard M. Schulze, president and chairman, third quarter net income increased 47 percent to $1,307,000, or 16 cents per share, from $888,000, or 11 cents per share, for the comparable three month period in 1989. Revenues increased 29 percent to 171 million from $133 million a year ago. Four new stores were opened during the third quarter, three in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area and one in Madison, Wis.

Net income for the nine month period was $928,000, or 11 cents per share, as compared to a net loss of $246,000, or 3 cents per share, for the comparable period last year. Revenues for the nine month period increased 26 percent to $449 million, from $355 million for the comparable period last year.

The improvement in operating results for both reporting periods was mainly due to sales from eight new stores opened this year, a full period of operations from eight new stores opened in the third quarter last year, and a lower SG&A expense percentage due to increased productivity and lower operating expenses

in the new concept stores. Sales from comparable stores declined by 1 percent in the third quarter and increased by 3 percent for the nine month period. Gross profit margin declined in both periods mainly due to competitive conditions in the third quarter, a higher mix of new concept stores which generate a lower gross margin percentage, and a company-wide focus on reducing discontinued inventory levels during the first six months of this year.

On Dec. 17, 1990, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Technical Bulletin No. 90-I requiring all companies to defer the initial recognition of revenue from the sale of extended service plans. Revenue will be recognized in income on a straight-line basis over the contract period unless another systematic method is justified based on the timing of when service costs are incurred. Expenses directly related to the sale of the contract are also deferred and charged to expense in proportion to the revenue recognized. All other costs, mainly servicing, are charged to expense as incurred. This Bulletin is effective for service plans sold in fiscal years beginning after Dec. 15, 1990, with earlier application permitted.

CONTACT: Richard M. Schulze, 612-896-2448, or Allen Lenzmeier, 612-896-2454, both of Best Buy

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Isramco, Inc. (NASDAQ: ISRL) reported today that the Negev Venture 2 participants (excluding H.E.I. Group) had approved a request by H.E.I. for an extension until Feb. 24, 1991 of the date for repayment of a loan of $1.49 million owed by the H.E.I Oil and Gas Limited Partnership. The interest of H.E.I. in the venture will remain intact during this time period.

H.E.I., which had been led by Dr. Armand Hammer until his death on Dec. 10, made the request in order to have more time to sort out its debt position which arises from a disputed grant from the Israeli government.

CONTACT: Dr. Joseph Elmaleh, chairman of Isramco, 212-888-0200, or John Swanson of Swanson Communications, Inc., 212-683-4890, for Isramco

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#90361p6290 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CHICAGO (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - FMC Corp. (NYSE: FMC) today announced that its board of directors has elected Frank A. Riddick III as treasurer of the corporation. He succeeds William H. Schumann III, who was appointed executive director, corporate development.

Riddick, 34, joined FMC from Merrill Lynch, where he held successive management positions in investment banking and treasury operations since 1987.

His most recent position there was as vice president, mergers and acquisitions. From 1981 to 1987 Riddick held several positions with General Motors Corp., including director of new business development and investor relations. His last position there was as regional treasurer- Europe, based in Brussels.

Riddick received a bachelor of arts degree in mathematics and economics from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn., and a master's degree in business administration from Duke University in Durham, N.C.

Riddick and his wife, Carol, have one child and are relocating to the Chicago area from Ridgewood, N.J.

FMC Corp., headquartered in Chicago, is one of the world's leading producers of machinery and chemicals for industry, government and agriculture. The company operates 88 manufacturing and mine facilities in 24 states and 21 foreign countries. The company divides its businesses into five major segments: industrial chemicals, performance chemicals, precious metals, defense systems, and machinery and equipment.

CONTACT: Pat Brozowski of FMC, 312-861-6104.

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ATLANTA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Coca-Cola Foundation today announced a series of grants totaling more than $2.8 million to educational institutions and programs.

Last year, The Coca-Cola Company announced that education will be its philanthropic focus for the decade of the '90s and committed at least $50 million to be distributed over the next 10 years through the Foundation to help enrich colleges and universities and secondary and elementary educational programs, both public and private.

Grants announced today include: -- A $300,000 grant to Hahnemman University in Philadelphia for its Faculty Development Program in Health Sciences.

-- A $300,000 grant to New York University for its mentoring program in New York City high schools for students with an interest in teaching.

-- A $300,000 grant to Benedict College in Columbia, S.C., for the implementation of its Armed Forces Teacher Education for Retirees (AFTER) Program, which focuses on increasing the number of African-American male teachers in public elementary schools, with an emphasis on the math and science curricula.

-- A $300,000 grant to the University of Alabama at Birmingham for a Coca-Cola

Internship/Scholarship Program in math and science.

-- A $150,000 grant to Baylor College of Medicine for the continuation and expansion of its Houston Elementary Science Alliance program to improve the quality of science education in Houston's public secondary schools.

-- A $122,100 grant for the United States Peace Corps Fellows Program at Auburn University (Ala.) and Tulane University in New Orleans. This program allows returned Fellows to attend evening classes to earn Master's degrees in education while also serving as full-time teachers in public schools.

-- A $100,000 grant to the University of Houston for its Master of Business Administration program.

-- A $100,000 grant to the Texas Southern University Foundation in Houston for the establishment of the Mickey Leland Center on World Hunger and Peace.

-- A $100,000 grant to the University of Toronto toward the establishment of the Graduate and Undergraduate Center and the Business Information Center of the Faculty of Management.

-- A $100,000 grant to The Bradley Center for an in-service training program for teachers and student crisis support in Muscogee County, Ga., and surrounding school districts in Georgia and Alabama.

-- A $100,000 grant to the American Assembly (Columbia University, New York City) for the Eisenhower Program Development Fund.

-- A $70,000 grant to the University of Tennessee in Knoxville for its minority engineering and business programs.

-- A $60,000 grant to Temple University in Philadelphia for its Future Faculty Fellows Program.

-- A $60,000 grant to the Greater Augusta (Ga.) Arts Council for its A+ Program, a model arts education program in public elementary schools in Georgia and South Carolina.

-- A $50,000 grant to Elizabeth City State University in North Carolina for scholarship funds.

-- $50,000 grant to Lincoln University (Mo.) Foundation for its Scholarship Endowment Fund.

-- A $50,000 grant to Tennessee State University Foundation in Nashville toward the establishment of a Chair of Excellence in Teacher Education.

-- A $45,000 grant to Vanderbilt University in Nashville for the "Jasper"

interactive computer video project developed by Peabody College, designed to enhance elementary students' problem-solving abilities.

-- A $25,000 grant to the American Graduate School of International Management in Phoenix for support of scholarships.

-- A $25,000 grant to the American Indian College Fund to assist American Indians attending college.

-- A $25,000 grant to Georgia Southern University toward the establishment of a regional center for language skill development.

-- A $25,000 grant to support the Nanjing University Center for Chinese and American Studies, through Johns Hopkins University.

-- A $25,000 grant to Literacy Volunteers of America for its national literacy programs.

-- A $25,000 grant to the Norfolk State University Foundation in Virginia.

-- A $22,500 grant to 70001 for its Work Achievement and Values in Education (WAVE) program to expand the program into Boston, Baltimore and Washington, D.C.

-- A $20,000 grant to the California State Summer School Arts Foundation for scholarship funds.

-- A $15,000 grant to Teach for America for its programs to recruit and train teachers in order to meet the needs of both inner-city and rural school districts.

-- A $15,000 grant to Marva Collins' Westside Preparatory School in Chicago.

-- A $15,000 grant to the Georgia Council on Economic Education to help ensure that every school child in Georgia learns the fundamentals of economics in a free society.

-- A $10,000 grant to the National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering for its programs to increase the number of minorities who receive degrees in engineering.

-- A $10,000 grant to The National Faculty for general support of its work in urban school districts.

-- A $10,000 grant to Rogers College Foundation in Claremore, Okla., for its University Preparatory Academy.

-- A $10,000 grant to the University of Puerto Rico for the upgrading of its

College of Engineering, Chemical Engineering Department.

-- A $10,000 grant to A Better Chance, which assists academically talented African-American, Hispanic, Asian-American and Native American children in attending college preparatory schools and programs.

CONTACT: Randy Donaldson of The Coca-Cola Company, 404-676-3853.

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TEL-AVIV, ISRAEL (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Galagraph Limited (NASDAQ: units - GALUF, shares - GALAF) (Bulletin Board: warrants - GALWF), developer of graphics and video add-on systems for PC platforms, real-time systems and public transportation systems, today reported results of operations for the third quarter and nine months ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for the nine months ended at Sept. 30, 1990, amounted to $721,908 compared with $1,113,508 for the same period last year. The company had a net loss for the nine months ended at Sept. 30, 1990, of $800,810 ($0.111 per share) compared with a net loss of $372,292 ($0.052 per share) for the same period last year.

Net sales for the third quarter amounted to $186,851 compared with $230,444 for the same quarter a year ago. Net loss for the quarter came to $310,290 ($0.03 per share) compared with a net loss of $213,077 ($0.02 per share) in the same quarter a year ago.

Israel Ofen, chief financial officer of the company, stated that the increase in the net loss was primarily due to reduction in sales.

Galagraph Limited designs and develops high-performance high- resolution graphics controllers. The products are integrated as add-on systems in XT, AT MCA and EISA PC platforms.

The company's products are designed to provide high-resolution graphics performance and speed, allowing PCs to be used as multipurpose graphics workstations for CAD, CAM, CAE, DTP and OEM applications. Galagraph also designs and develops graphics integrated with video and video digitization controllers for the same platforms. These products are used especially in OEM applications.

Galagraph is involved in the development of special real-time display recording, simulation and test systems as a subcontractor of some Israeli industries.

Galagraph develops a project for public transportation which involves computization of buses, depots, roadside stations and final stations.

CONTACT: Shlomo Ostersetzer, chairman of Galagraph, (in Israel) 972-3-455-565

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FALLS CHURCH, VA. (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - QuesTech, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: QTEC) announced today that it has been awarded a 52-month contract valued at $5.1 million to provide engineering and technical support services to the Avionics Laboratory, Wrights Research and Development Center, AFSC, WPAFB, Ohio.

CONTACT: Vincent L. Salvatori, president and CEO, QuesTech, Inc., 703-760-1005

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UNIVERSAL CITY, CA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - MCA. Inc. (NYSE: MCA) announced today that a Form 10 registration statement relating to Pinelands Inc. has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Pinelands Inc. owns MCA's entire interest in the television station WWOR-TV, and is the corporation that will be spun off to MCA stockholders immediately prior to (and subject to) consummation of the tender offer by a subsidiary of Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. Ltd (NYSE: MC). MCA stated that no other filings with or other action by the Securities and Exchange Commission is required to effect the distribution.

MCA also stated that it is in the process of distributing to its stockholders an information statement relating to Pinelands.

CONTACT: Christine Hanson of MCA Inc., 818-777-3591.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Waterhouse Investor Services, Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: WHOO) today reported net income for the three-month period ended Nov. 30, 1990 (first quarter FY 1991), of $193,500 vs. $313,400 for the same period the previous year.

WATERHOUSE INVESTOR SERVICES, INC.

Quarter to November	1990	1991
Revenues	$5,414,300	$5,455,600
Net income (loss)	313,400	193,500
Share earnings (loss)	$.13	$.08
Average shares outstanding	2,438,952	2,383,644

The company stated that the decrease in earnings was due to a slight decrease in commission revenues during the quarter while expenses increased 4 percent primarily as a result of additional personnel and branch offices.

The company also stated that it continues to attract new customers and that it recently opened an office at 230 Park Ave. in New York.

Waterhouse Investor Services, Inc. is holding company engaged, through its principal subsidiary, Waterhouse Securities, Inc., in providing discount brokerage services primarily to retail customers throughout the United States.

CONTACT: Lawrence M. Waterhouse Jr., chairman of the board of Waterhouse Investor Services, 212-344-7500, or (in New York), 800-522-7500, or (nationwide) 800-327-7500.

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NEW YORK, (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Alliance New Europe Fund, Inc. (NYSE: ANE) today clarified its press release (NY013), moved earlier today, regarding the adjourned stockholders meeting by noting that holders of 65 percent of the fund's shares outstanding on the record date have voted thus far on the proposed conversion and that 62 percent of the shares outstanding were voted in favor of this proposal.

CONTACT: David H. Dievler of Alliance New Europe Fund, 212-969-1090

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CORTLAND, NY (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Marietta Corporation (NASDAQ: MRTA) announced today financial results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990.

Net sales for fiscal 1990 increased by approximately 33 percent to $61,410,062 compared to $46,247,977 in fiscal 1989. Net income for the year was $2,562,859 vs. $2,946,506 in 1989. Earnings per share for the period were $.71 in 1990 based on 3,595,091 weighted average shares compared to $1.29 in 1989 based on 2,283,231 weighted average shares.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1990 net sales were $15,976,326 compared to $16,733,239 in the fourth quarter of 1989. The net loss for the period amounted to $575,421 vs. net income of $904,302 in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1989. The loss per share was $.15 based on 3,730,001 weighted average shares compared to earnings per share of $.36 based on 2,528,571 weighted average shares in fiscal 1989.

Marietta president John Nadolski commented on the financial results. "Sales

and earnings for the fourth quarter did not meet our growth expectations due to a slowdown in the travel and lodging industry and changes made in the last six months of the fiscal year at Marietta to enhance our long term growth. These changes included the transition to a new sales force and a computer conversion to upgrade our inventory control system. These changes temporarily impacted the company's production scheduling abilities, resulting in shorter, more costly production runs, effecting gross margins. Selling, general and administrative costs were greater as a percentage of sales for the quarter and the year due to lower than anticipated sales in the guest amenities area."

Nadolski continued, "Marietta has been working on new markets and areas into which to leverage our expertise. We have in-house capabilities for a new product to package retail size products in a flexible stand-up pouch for consumer goods companies. This type of packaging is more environmentally friendly than a rigid plastic container. The stand-up pouch allows consumer goods products companies a source reduction in their packaging and the packaging materials may be recycled. We have seen positive interest from many of our customers, have scheduled test runs, and have booked our first order on our new equipment."

"Additionally, our capital expenditures in upgrading our quality assurance department at our soap manufacturing facility are being rewarded. We recently received a large order from one of our custom packaging customers to produce retail soap as an extension of a cosmetic line. We will continue to pursue custom packaging of soap as a growth opportunity for Marietta."

Nadolski concluded, "Although the investments we have made in refining our sales strategy and in upgrading our inventory control system were initiated during the third fiscal quarter, and we feel the benefits will be apparent during 1991. We feel these changes and the growth opportunities we are pursuing will have long term benefits for our company."

Marietta Corporation specializes in the design, manufacture, packaging, marketing and distribution of guest amenity programs to the travel and lodging industry in the United States and abroad, and provides customized "sample-size" and "unit-of-use" packaging products and services to major consumer products companies in the toiletries, cosmetics and pharmaceutical industries.

MARIETTA CORPORATION
Summary of Earnings

Fourth Fiscal Quarter Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
Net sales	$15,976,326	$16,733,239
Net income (loss)	(575,421)	904,302
Earnings (loss) per share	($.15)	$.36
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,730,001	2,528,571

Fiscal Year Ended Sept. 30,	1990	1989
Net sales	$61,410,062	$46,247,977
Net income	2,562,859	2,946,506
Earnings per share	$.71	$1.29
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,595,091	2,283,231

CONTACT: Heather Nichols of Marietta Corporation, 607-753-6746.

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#90361p6309 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TOKYO, (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Mitsubishi Motors Corporation (MMC) will sponsor an unprecedented tour of an American Kabuki company, marking the first time ever American Kabuki theater will be performed in Japan, it was announced today by Toshiaki Ariga, general manager of MMC's public relations and advertising department.

The history-making production will feature The Illinois Kabuki Theater, in residence at the University of Illinois' Krannert Center for the Performing Arts, in a dramatic adaption of a western literary classic, "Achilles," performed in Kabuki style.

The MMC-sponsored Japanese tour will take place from Feb. 6 to 17, 1991, with two performances in two major cities Nagoya and Tokyo, as well as one performance in Damine, a village near Nagoya where residents have performed Kabuki as a religious offering to a Shinot Shrine for 300 years.

Shozo Sato, artist in residence at Krannert Center since 1969 and professor in the School of Art and Design at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign will direct the production.

Members of the Kabuki Theater Class at the University of Illinois -- which includes students in theater and other performing arts as well as those in pre-medical and engineering courses -- will perform the adapted work which blends Japanese and Western cultures.

"Mitsubishi Motors Corporation is very proud to be part of this historic event " Ariga said. "Cultural exchange between the U.S. and Japan is an extremely important ingredient in promoting international understanding and friendship between our two countries."

Furthering its commitment to good corporate citizenship and to enhance mutual understanding between Japan and the United States, MMC sponsors an international student exchange program under the supervision of Youth for Understanding, a Washington-based not-for-profit educational institution. MMC also sponsors a similar exchange program for teachers from Bloomington-Normal, Ill., the home of the Diamond-Star Motor Corporation.

Diamond-Star Motors (DSM), a state-of-the-art automobile manufacturing plant, is a 50/50 joint business venture with Chrysler Motors in the United States. DSM has been cited as an "Outstanding Engineering Achievement," by the National Society of Professional Engineers.

CONTACT: Junzo Ishino of Mitsubishi Motors, Japan, 011-81-3-5232-7164; or Rich Jachetti of Lobsenz-Stevens, 212-684-6300, for Mitsubishi Motors

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#90361p6316 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Craig Corp. (NYSE: CRG) announced that the net earnings for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1990, were $8,722,000 or $1.65 per share, compared with $9,109,000 or $2.07 per share for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1989.

Craig's earnings in 1989 included a one time gain on the sale of fixed assets of $2,426,000 or 55 cents per share. Excluding this gain, earnings for 1989 would have been $6,683,000 compared to $8,722,000 in 1990, an increase of 31 percent for the current year.

Earnings per share were affected by a larger number of shares outstanding due to the issuance of a total of 1,645,000 shares of Class A Common Preference Stock in May and June, 1990.

Craig's net earnings include the earnings of Stater Bros. Holdings Inc. and Reading Co. on the equity method of accounting. Income from these affiliates increased to $7,809,000 in 1990 from $5,876,000 in 1989.

CRAIG CORP.

	Fiscal year ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Net earnings before extraordinary item	$8,431,000	$7,488,000
Extraordinary item	291,000	1,621,000
Net earnings	$8,722,000	$9,109,000
Per share earnings before extraordinary item	$1.59	$1.70
Extraordinary item	.06	.37
Net earnings	$1.65	$2.07
Average shares outstanding	5,293,000	4,400,000

	3 Months Ended	
	Sept. 30, 1990	Sept. 30, 1989
Net earnings before		

extraordinary item	$1,852,000	$862,000
Extraordinary item	101,000	580,000
Net earnings	$1,953,000	$1,442,000
Per share earnings before extraordinary item	$0.29	$0.19
Extraordinary item	.02	.13
Net earnings	$0.31	$0.32
Average shares outstanding	6,286,000	4,581,000

CONTACT: Robert L. Woolheater of Craig Corp., 213-659-6641.

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#90361p6317 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Sunbeam-Oster paid its top business unit managers Christmas bonuses totaling approximately $1.8 million, it was announced today.

The Christmas bonuses were paid to approximately 50 core management team members at the company's operating business units. Chairman Paul B. Kazarian stated that the bonuses were paid, in part, "to prime our operating managers for the performance we expect from them in 1991," Certain management team members have also been selected to receive stock ownership in Sunbeam-Oster.

The company also has begun planning for a profit pool of up to $25 million to be allocated to core business unit team members over a three-year period. The allocations will be based on value added to Sunbeam-Oster. Kazarian stated that he is actively seeking to augment his senior operating management team and that new managers would be eligible to participate in the profit pool.

Sunbeam-Oster is an American-owned consumer products company with approximately a billion dollars in revenues whose best-known offerings include Sunbeam barbecue grills; Sunbeam warming blankets, throws and heating pads; Sunbeam casual furniture; Oster-Stewart professional hair and body care products; Sunbeam-Oster Housewares; Sunbeam-Springfield weather and time measurement instruments; and Sunbeam-Hanson weight and health-related products. Sunbeam-Oster has operations throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, Central and South America as well as Europe and the Far East.

Separately, Sunbeam-Oster also reported that distributions to creditors and interest holders of the predecessor company were made and as a result a partnership formed by Japonica Partners will own approximately 99.5 percent of the company stock. The board of Sunbeam-Oster Company, Inc. has declared a three-for-one stock split payable on Jan. 31, 1991, to shareholders of record as of Jan. 15.

CONTACT: Leslie Uweda of Kekst, 212-593-2655, for Sunbeam-Oster.

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#90361p6320 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HORSHAM, PA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Decision Data Inc. today announced an agreement with IPL systems Inc. (NASDAQ: IPLSA) of Waltham, Mass., to market IPL direct access storage device (DASD) technology to IBM AS/400 users.

"This agreement further enhances a business and marketing relationship that began with an agreement in 1988 for Decision Data to market IPL tape products " said Joe Kroger, Decision Data president and chief operating officer. "We feel that IPL's technologically superior products enhance our ability to offer our customers the most comprehensive selection of IBM midrange compatibles available anywhere."

"Decision Data is the world's largest supplier of IBM midrange computer peripherals," said Robert W. Norton, president and chief executive officer of IPL. "The combination of IPL product quality and performance with Decision Data marketing, sales and service will produce an attractive offering for the IBM midrange customer."

The first disk arrays Decision Data will market will be available in three capacities: 600 megabytes, 1.2 gigabytes (GB) and 1.8GB, priced at $14,200, $22,800 and $30,600 respectively.

The storage products offer greater access speeds at a lower cost per megabyte than any others currently available, and their compact size allows for three times the storage in the same physical space as comparable units. They also are totally compatible with IBM error, diagnostic and recovery routines.

Other Decision Data products include IBM System/3X and AS/400 minicomputers, personal computers, intelligent workstations, terminals, matrix, serial, laser and IPDS printers, communications controllers, tape backup systems, main memory expansion, uninterruptible and intelligent power systems; computer supplies, and a broad range of financing alternatives. Decision Data also services and maintains more than 1,000 diverse models of computer equipment from 125 field service offices.

IPL Systems Inc. designs, manufactures, markets and services a broad range of storage products for IBM midrange computers, including DASD and tape subsystems, plus memory upgrades. The company was founded in 1973.

CONTACT: Len Milchuk of Decision Data, 800-523-5357, or Judy Sparrow of IPL Systems, 617-890-6620.

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#90361p6324 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Barbara Harding, chairman of Phillipsburg National Bank and Trust Co., Phillipsburg, N.J., today was elected a director of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Harding, chosen by member banks in the Second Federal Reserve District that have capital and surplus of less than $30 million, will serve a three-year term on the board of directors beginning Jan. 1, 1991. She succeeds J. Kirby Fowler, president and chief executive of Flemington National Bank and Trust Co., Flemington, N.J., as a Class A director.

Six of the nine directors of the New York Fed, as at the other 11 Federal Reserve Banks, are elected by the district's member banks. Three, the Class A directors, are bankers. Three are Class B directors elected by the member banks and three are Class C directors appointed by the board of governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Earlier, the board of governors reappointed Ellen V. Futter, president of Columbia University's Barnard College, to a second three-year term as a Class C director of the New York Fed, beginning January 1. She also was renamed deputy chairman of the New York Fed board by the board of governors.

Cyrus R. Vance, presiding partner of the New York law firm of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett and currently a Class C director, was renamed by the board of governors as the chairman of the New York Fed board for 1991.

Harding, who ran unopposed for the Class A directorship, is also the president and chief executive officer of Vista Bancorp, Inc., the parent holding company of Phillipsburg National Bank. She joined the bank in 1965, becoming president and chief executive officer in 1985 and chairman of the board in 1990.

She is vice president of the Community Bankers Association of New Jersey, an advisory member of the American Bankers Association's Community Bankers Council, and an executive committee member of the New Jersey Bankers Association. Among her civic activities, she is a member of the Phillipsburg Economic Development Committee, a vice- chairperson of the Phillipsburg Citizens' Advisory Committee, president of the Phillipsburg Area Chamber of Commerce and a director of the New Jersey State Chamber of Commerce. She is treasurer of the 200 Club of Warren County, chairperson of the Northwest New Jersey Regional Women's Center, a director of the American Cancer Society and the Karen Ann Quinlan Clinic of Hope and an advisory member of the Warren County Commission for Women.

CONTACT: Bart Sotnick of The New York Federal Reserve Bank, 212-720-6143

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#90361p6328 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
CAMBRIDGE, MA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - At its meeting on Monday, Dec. 17, 1990 the board of directors of LeMessurier Consultants Inc. elected Mysore V. Ravindra president of the firm. He previously served as executive vice president and principal in the structural division. Peter J. Cheever, formerly a structural division associate, was elected a vice president. Richard H. Sweeney was elected to the board of directors. He will continue as principal in charge of the facilities management group. All appointments are effective on Jan. 1 ,1991.

Employee-owned LeMessurier Consultants, founded in 1961, offers to architects, developers and owners structural engineering design services and CADD facilities management services for buildings of all types.

CONTACT: William J. LeMessurier, chairman of LeMessurier Consultants, 617-868-1200

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#90361p6334 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
MALVERN, PA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Aloette Cosmetics Inc. (NASDAQ: ALET), a franchisor, direct marketer and manufacturer of skin care products and cosmetics, declared a quarterly dividend of $.08 per share, payable on Feb. 15 1991, to stock of record Jan. 25.

CONTACT: Jean M. Lewis of Aloette Cosmetics, 215-644-8200

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#90361p6336 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
SIKESTON, MO (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Galaxy Cablevision, L.P. (AMEX: GTV) announced today that it would make a cash distribution in the amount of $.35 per unit on or about Feb. 15, 1991 to unitholders of record as of Dec. 31, 1990.

Galaxy Cablevision, L.P. engages in the business of acquiring, owning and operating cable television systems and currently serves approximately 54,650 basic subscribers in six states.

CONTACT: Tommy L. Gleason, Jr., president of Galaxy Cablevision, 314-471-3080

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#90361p6340 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire
CINCINNATI (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) today announced the establishment of a new Eastern Europe Division, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

In line with this announcement, the board of directors elected Herbert Schmitz currently vice president-Central Europe, Health and Beauty Care, as vice president-Eastern Europe, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

Schmitz was born in Stolberg, West Germany, graduated from the University of Cologne in West Germany and holds a doctorate in economics. He joined P&G in 1964 as a brand manager in the company's operations in Germany. He progressed through a variety of international assignments before being named division manager-Blendax in 1987. He was elected to his current position in 1988.

At the same time, the company is separating its European Health and Beauty Care organization into three divisions. The following executives are being appointed to new positions, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

-- Michael A. Thompson, currently division manager-Western Europe, Health and Beauty Care, is appointed to the newly established position of division manager-Northern Europe, Health and Beauty Care with responsibility for business in Belgium, Holland, Scandinavia, the United Kingdom, and the European Noxell and Shulton operations. -- Bernd E. Beetz, currently general manager, Procter & Gamble Germany, is appointed to the newly established position of division manager-Southern Europe, Health and Beauty Care with responsibility for business in Italy, France, Spain and Portugal. -- Hans J. Honigfort, currently general manager-Health and Beauty Care, Germany, is appointed to the newly-established position of division manager-Central Europe, Health and Beauty Care with responsibility for business in Austria, Germany and Switzerland. Thompson, a native of Evansville, Ind. and a graduate of Michigan State University, joined P&G in 1965 as a brand assistant. He progressed through a variety of positions of increasing responsibility in advertising before being named advertising manager, Beauty Care Division in 1986. In 1987, he was appointed general manager, hair care products, Beauty Care Division. He was assigned to his current position in 1989.

CONTACT: Terry E. Loftus, 513-983-9789, or Sydney L. McHugh, 513-983-4185, both of The Procter & Gamble Company

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#90361p6344 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ENGLEWOOD, COLO (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - U S WEST International Holdings Inc., Millicom Inc. and four Soviet partners have entered into a letter of intent with the Soviet Union Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications (MPT) to provide cellular telephone service in Moscow.

The letter of intent was entered into by a group consisting of: U S WEST International Holdings; Millicom International Cellular, S.A.R.L., an affiliate of Millicom Inc.; the Moscow Territorial Operational Center for Long Distance and International Circuits (MTOC); Voronezh Research-Production Association; the Moscow Local Telephone Network, and Fyodorov's Eye Microsurgery Science and Technology Complex.

The NMT 450 MHz cellular system will initially be deployed in Moscow with operations contemplated to begin in the third quarter of 1991. The U S WEST/Millicom group will be one of two cellular telephone system operators in Moscow. U S WEST and Millicom will negotiate with the Soviet MPT for cellular telephone opportunities in other cities in the Soviet Union.

"The Moscow cellular system will be used for mobile communications services and it will also be beneficial for high-volume communications users such as businesses and government entities that need access to national and international communications," said Dick Callahan, president of the U S WEST Diversified Group and executive vice president of U S WEST Inc. "This cellular system will provide additional capacity for emergency services, business communications services and areas where communications needs arise quickly."

J. Shelby Bryan, chairman and chief executive officer of Millicom Inc. said, "Millicom is convinced that the availability of high quality cellular service in the Soviet Union will play a significant role in the evolution of a market economy. It will also aid in the development of western business ties to Soviet enterprises."

This is U S WEST's second cellular telephone venture in the USSR. The company recently signed a joint venture agreement to provide cellular service in Leningrad. The company also is providing cellular service in Hungary and has a contract to provide service in Czechoslovakia.

CONTACT: Ed Mattix of U S WEST International, 303-649-4676; or Andrea Van Raalte of Millicom Inc., 212-475-8200

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#90361p6345 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (DEC. 27) PRNEWSWIRE - LL&E Royalty Trust (NYSE: LRT) announced today that its monthly distribution to unit holders will be made on Jan. 17, 1991, to unit holders of record on Jan. 7, 1991. This distribution represents amounts payable to the trust with respect to production for the month of October 1990.

The total amount of the January distribution will be $1,858,636 or approximately $.09786 per unit. Due to the nature and timing of other

operating and capital projects along with fluctuation in monthly production as well as the price of crude oil, this distribution is not necessarily indicative of future monthly distributions.

As previously announced, the working interest owner has begun to escrow amounts for the Fort Worth Basin property in connection with the issue of recapture of intangible drilling and development costs under Section 1254 of the Internal Revenue Code. The trust's interest in the amount escrowed from the current month's distribution and the cumulative balance of such are $8,920 and $541,031 respectively. As stated last month, pending the possible appeal by the IRS of the previously announced favorable ruling rendered by the United States Tax Court on the Section 1254 issue, the working interest owner has made no decision on whether and when these amounts will be released from escrow.

The working interest owner has determined under the terms of the trust documents that it is eligible to escrow funds from all trust properties for the 1254 recapture issue. However, it has advised the trustee that it does not intend to exercise its rights to escrow funds, other than for the Fort Worth Basin, for this issue for the January 1991 distribution. However, the working interest owner intends to continue to monitor its estimates of relevant factors in order to evaluate the necessity of escrowing funds for this issue on an ongoing basis. The working interest owner is under no obligation to give any advance notice to the trustee or the unit holders in the event it determines that funds should be escrowed. If the working interest owner does begin to escrow such funds with respect to the productive properties, other than Fort Worth Basin, the effect on royalties paid to the trust would be significant, and in certain circumstances could eliminate distributions for a period of time.

CONTACT: Roark Ashie of First City, Texas-Houston, N.A., as trustee, 713-658-7639

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ST. PAUL, MN. (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Deluxe Corporation (NYSE: DLX) announced that it completed the acquisition of Electronic Transaction Corporation (ETC), a national check authorization service.

ETC, which is based in Seattle, Wash., operates SCAN (Shared Check Authorization Network), a network of retailers who share information on dishonored checks and closed accounts. ETC's clients include 25 of the nation's top 50 department stores, including Sears, JC Penney, and Montgomery Ward.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed. ETC's 1990 revenues are expected to be approximately $5,000,000.

Deluxe Corporation is an industry leader in providing products and services to the financial payment systems industry. The company is the nation's largest check printer and also provides electronic funds transfer (EFT) software and processing services, ATM card services, new-account verification services, and sales development services to financial institutions. Deluxe's Business Systems Division produces a variety of computer and business forms and related products for small businesses and professional practices. The company's Consumer Specialty Products Division markets greeting cards, gift wrap, stationery, and a variety of related products to households.

CONTACT: Stuart Alexander, 612-483-7358, or Charles M. Osborne, 612-493-7355, both of Deluxe Corporation

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#90361p6349 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

VALLEY FORGE, PA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The board of directors of the following members of The Vanguard Group of Investment Companies has declared the following distributions:

Vanguard Index Trust/500 Portfolio -- a quarterly distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.63 per share and an annual distribution from realized capital gains in the amount of $.05 (long term) per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

Vanguard Index Trust/Extended Market Portfolio -- an annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.31 per share and an annual distribution from realized capital gains in the amount of $.10 (long term) per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

Vanguard Institutional Equity Index Fund -- a quarterly distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.52 per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

Vanguard Quantitative Portfolios -- a semi-annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.32 per share and an annual distribution from realized capital gains in the amount of $.04 (long term) per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

Vanguard International Equity Index Fund/European Portfolio -- an annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.14 per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

Vanguard International Equity Index Fund/Pacific Portfolio -- an annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.03 per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

Vanguard Star Fund -- a semi-annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.48 per share and an annual distribution from realized capital gains in the amount of $.16 (one cent, short term and 15 cents, long term) per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

Vanguard Explorer Fund -- an annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.34 per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

Vanguard Small Capitalization Stock Fund -- an annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.18 per share and an annual distribution from realized capital gains in the amount of $.14 (13 cents, short term and one cent, long term) per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

Vanguard Specialized Portfolios/Energy -- an annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.43 per share and an annual distribution from realized capital gains in the amount of $.77 (10 cents, short term and 67 cents, long term) per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

Vanguard Specialized Portfolios/Health Care -- an annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.51 per share and an annual distribution from realized capital gains in the amount of $.82 (five cents, short term and 77 cents, long term) per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

Vanguard Specialized Portfolios/Gold & Precious Metals -- an annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.32 per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

Vanguard Specialized Portfolios/Service Economy -- an annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.33 per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

Vanguard Specialized Portfolios/Technology -- an annual distribution from ordinary net income in the amount of $.22 per share, payable on Jan. 2, 1991, to shareholders of record on Dec. 26, 1990.

CONTACT: Richard F. Hyland, treasurer of The Vanguard Group, 215-648-6310.

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#90361p6361 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

ATLANTA, (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Subsidiaries of The Southern Company (NYSE: SO) have finalized an agreement with Gulf States Utilities Company to settle a four-year dispute over major power sales contracts between the utility systems.

The settlement -- which is subject to several contingencies, including approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Securities and Exchange Commission -- will terminate the contracts and end litigation between the parties.

Terms of the settlement call for Gulf States to provide the Southern subsidiaries with a financial package -- including cash, common stock, and deferred payments -- that has a net present value of up to $300 million, before taxes.

Specifically, Southern will receive: -- $75 million in cash, including approximately $68 million that Gulf States accrued in escrow in lieu of payment for capacity and energy under the contracts. The money will be paid after regulatory and court approval of the settlement.

-- Six million new shares of Gulf States common stock. In accepting these previously unissued shares, Southern has agreed to remain a passive holder for the entire period that it owns the stock

-- exercising the voting rights that accompany these shares only in very limited circumstances.

-- If the highest price of Gulf States common stock does not average $18.25 a share for five consecutive days between the settlement date and Jan. 1, 1993, Gulf States will pay Southern an amount equal to the difference between the average highest price during that period and $18.25 a share. Yesterday, the closing price of Gulf States common stock was $10.25 a share.

-- Promissory notes for $160 million.

-- All cash amounts that Gulf States will owe Southern -- with the exception of the initial $75 million -- must be paid by Jan. 1, 1999. However, beginning Jan. 1, 1993, Gulf States is required to make payments to the extent that Gulf States has adequate cash available. Interest at the prime rate plus 1 percent will begin accruing on all unpaid amounts after Jan. 1, 1993.

As collateral for all future payments, Gulf States has pledged the Lewis Creek Generating Plant -- a 520-megawatt gas-fired facility near the city of Willis in eastern Texas.

In announcing today's development, Southern Company President Ed Addison said, "This final agreement carries essentially the same terms and value as the tentative settlement between the parties that was announced in June of this year. We're pleased that this contract dispute has been resolved in a manner that protects the long-term interests of our companies."

In 1982, Southern Company subsidiaries agreed to provide Gulf States with electricity from specific coal-fired generating units. Deliveries were

scheduled to begin with 500,000 kilowatts of capacity in June 1984, rising to 600,000 kilowatts in 1987, and 700,000 kilowatts annually from 1988 through May 1992. In addition, the contracts called for Southern to provide various amounts of interruptible power over this period. Total value of the contracts was estimated at approximately $1 billion.

In 1985, Gulf States asked the Southern electric system to consider eliminating or suspending sales because the energy needs of its customers had fallen below forecasted levels. In late 1986, Gulf States discontinued most of the payments owed under the contracts. The Southern electric system -- with FERC approval -- suspended all transactions called for by the contracts in July 1988.

The disupte has been the subject of legal action before the FERC, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, and the U.S. Supreme Court. A separate suit still pending in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas will also be terminated with this settlement.

The Southern Company is the parent firm of five electric utilties: Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power, and Savannah Electric. (At the time the contracts with Gulf States were signed, Savannah Electric was not a member of the Southern electric system.) The Southern Company's common stock is one of the 20 most widely held corporate stocks in America.

CONTACT: Gale Klappa or Donna Norris, of The Southern Company, 404-455-1077

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#90361p6367 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

CALGARY, Alberta (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - TransCanada Pipelines has set a new daily record for natural gas shipments, reflecting the fact that all pipeline constructed in 1990 is now in service, Chief Operating Officer George Hugh announced today.

"Total volumes of 5.15 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas entered the system on Dec. 24. Prior to this month, the record had been 4.9 Bcf," Hugh said.

Demand levels triggered by the current cold winter weather all across North America have been an important factor in gas transportation volumes. The key to the new record, however, is the additional capacity created by the construction of 423 kilometres of pipeline loop and unit additions to three compressor stations during 1990, Hugh explained. Work has now begun on 1991 facilities expansion, so the record is expected to be short-lived.

In the past two years, TransCanada has invested more than one billion dollars to increase its capacity by about 575 million cubic feet (Mmcf) per day, mostly for the domestic market.

Major facilities expansion during 1991/1992 will see the company increase capacity by 830 Mmcf per day to service further increases in Canadian demand plus the United States northeast.

Competitive prices, secure supplies of gas and the environmental advantages of natural gas are all factors in the growth in gas demand in North America. TransCanada will continue to play a key role in expansion of markets, for the benefit of all Canadians.

CONTACT: Frank Dabbs of TransCanada Pipelines, 403-267-8525.

-30- 1732

#90361p6372 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

PITTSBURGH, (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - SmithKline Beecham (NYSE: SBH) Consumer Brands today announced a voluntary recall of its Orafix Special and Brace denture adhesives from retailers' shelves effective immediately due to minute amounts of benzene in the products. All other products marketed under the Orafix name are unaffected by this action.

The company was notified last week by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that the New York State Consumer Protection Board and FDA found levels of benzene, measured in parts per million, in the products. The FDA and SmithKline Beecham both agree that benzene at the levels measured should not be in these products.

In consideration of the FDA's product review, SmithKline Beecham is voluntarily recalling Orafix Special and Brace.

A consumer hotline (1-800-422-4263) has been established to handle consumer calls.

SmithKline Beecham is developing a formula modification, and will have a reformulated product on the market shortly.

SmithKline Beecham became the marketer of Orafix Special and Brace in December 1985, when it acquired Norcliff Thayer.

CONTACT: Wendy Chazan, 212-704-8196, or Susan Schack, 212-704-8201, both for SmithKline Beecham

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#90361p6373 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - BankAtlantic (NASDAQ-NMS: ASAL) today announced that the rights offering previously announced on Nov. 30, 1990 has been extended until Jan. 31, 1991.

The rights offering provides that BankAtlantic shareholders of record on Nov. 19, 1990, are entitled to purchase, on a prorata basis, BankAtlantic's 1990 14 percent subordinated debentures, as well as the right to purchase additional shares of BankAtlantic common stock.

Furthermore, the cost to exercise the right to purchase one share of BankAtlantic Common Stock for every two shares owned on Nov. 19, 1990 (the record date) has been reduced from $2.50 per share to $2.00 per share -- a per share price that more closely conforms to the current price of BankAtlantic Common Stock on the NASDAQ National Market System.

This offering is available only to common shareholders of record on Nov. 19, 1990, and not to depositors, capital note holders or preferred shareholders. This offering is only being made pursuant to an offering circular dated Nov. 14, 1990.

CONTACT: Alan B. Levan, chairman of BankAtlantic, A Federal Savings Bank, 305-760-5317

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#90361p6374 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - International Mobile Machines Corp. (NASDAQ: IMMCC) announced today that it has met the requirements of its temporary exception to the capital and surplus requirements of the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System (NASDAQ).

Accordingly, the NASDAQ symbol will revert back to IMMC. The company has also announced that M/A-Com Inc. has converted approximately $4 million of its $7.7 million convertible note into 728,598 shares of the company's common stock at a conversion price of $5.49 per share. A registration statement covering the shares into which the promissory note is convertible has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and the conversion of the remaining principal amount of the note is expected to occur upon the effective date of the registration statement.

CONTACT: John Goetz of International Mobile Machines, 215-278-7800.

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#90361p6377 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

RALEIGH, N.C. (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - RS Financial Corp. (NASDAQ-NMS: RFBK), the holding company for Raleigh Federal Savings Bank, today announced Management's decision to increase general loan and real estate reserves. During the fourth quarter, the Bank expects to add $3.0 to $3.5 million to reserves.

According the Stanley E. Wright, President and Chief Executive Officer, "Although building general loss reserves will negatively impact fourth quarter and 1990 earnings, given the worsening national economic outlook and uncertain regional real estate markets, we believe establishing additional reserves is a prudent measure and protects future earnings from the impact of possible loan losses."

At September 30, 1990, total assets were $784.7 million and shareholder's equity $65.0 million. After the anticipated fourth quarter addition to loss reserves, Raleigh Federal will continue to exceed the most stringent regulatory capital requirement by $22.0 million.

RS Financial Corp.'s common stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol RFBK.

CONTACT: Stanley E. Wright, President, RS Financial Corp., 919-833-7511

-30- 1327

#90361p6382 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Cherne Medical, Inc. (NASDAQ: CHNE), a Minneapolis-based company, announced today the appointment of two new directors -- Catherine M. Hapka and John L. Kordash -- to its board. Hapka is currently president of data services at Control Data Corp., the Minneapolis-based computer products manufacturer. Kordash is president and chief executive officer of MediQual Systems, Inc., a clinical software and information systems developer and marketer with headquarters in Boston, Mass.

"Both appointments are key to the continued strategic realignment of Cherne Medical; as the medical business transforms from research and development into sales and marketing," said David L. Printy, chairman, president and CEO.

Prior to her current appointment, Hapka was with GE Medical Systems Group from 1984 to 1988. During that time, she served in various managerial positions in Nuclear Medicine, Ultrasound, PACS (Picture, Archiving Communication Services) and Radiation Therapy businesses. Before becoming directly involved in the medical field, Hapka was an engagement manager with McKinsey & Co., a world wide management consulting firm. Hapka received a bachelor's degree in business from the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, and an M.B.A. from the University of Chicago. "Her knowledge in medical technology distribution channeling will strengthen our marketing and sales strategy," said Printy.

"Mr. Kordash brings a high-level of financial management expertise to the board. His work with MediQual in analyzing the appropriateness, effectiveness and efficiency of healthcare services will assist in the proper utilization of the Cherne System," said Printy. Before joining MediQual, Kordash was responsible for all decision support computer products at HBO. He also spent 14 years with Baxter Healthcare Corporation, first as a manager in information

systems and most recently as chief financial officer. Kordash received a bachelor's degree in mathematics from Rockford College in Illinois and an M.B.A. in finance from the University of Chicago.

Cherne Medical manufactures and markets the Cherne System, a non-invasive, stress-free test designed to aid in the detection of coronary artery disease. Recent placements of the Cherne System include: Methodist Hospital, Peoria, Ill., and Cardiac Consultants Medical Group in Walnut Creek, Calif.

CONTACT: David Printy of Cherne Medical, 612-933-2838.

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#90361p6393 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MINNEAPOLIS, (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Norwest Corporation (NYSE: NOB) has received approval from the Federal Reserve Board to complete the acquisition of Wyoming National Bancorporation.

Agreement was announced in May for Norwest to acquire Wyoming National. The transaction is expected to close in January.

Wyoming National has assets of $450 million and owns six banks in Casper, Cheyenne, Gillette, Kemmerer, Lovell and Wheatland. Wyoming National recently agreed to sell its bank in Kemmerer to First McKinley Corporation, which owns First National Bank in Evanston, Wyo.

Norwest said the Wyoming National banks will be converted to Norwest banks at some time in 1991.

Norwest Corporation is a $29.6 billion diversified financial services organization providing banking, banking-related and specialized financial services through 1,386 offices in 47 states and internationally.

CONTACT: Larry Haeg of Norwest, 612-667-7043

-30- 1109

#90361p6395 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

LOS ANGELES, (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Veronex Resources Ltd.'s (AMEX: VX; VSE: VEO) wholly owned subsidiary, Nordell International Resources Ltd., filed a motion on Dec. 26, 1990 to vacate the arbitration award issued on Dec. 13, 1990. The motion was filed in the United States District Court of the Central District of California in Los Angeles.

The arbitration award resulted from an arbitration initiated against Triton in January 1990, to resolve disagreements regarding certain cash obligations, accounting procedures and other matters. Subsequently, Triton made certain counterclaims in the arbitration.

The American Arbitration Association Panel's award purports to reduce the interest of Nordell to a 5 percent net profits interest in the Enim Oil Project in Indonesia and to award damages of approximately $1,000,000 to Triton Indonesia, Inc.

As reported earlier the panel's award appears to be inconsistent with the facts and evidence as presented in the testimony during the arbitration hearing. Further, the panel's award, in certain aspects, is unclear and it appears that the arbitration panel acted beyond the scope of its authority as well as outside the terms of the issues presented.

CONTACT: Sandra Milligan of the Vancouver, B.C. office of Veronex Resources Ltd., 604-669-5650

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#90361p6396 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WASHINGTON, (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - The Student Loan Marketing Association (Sallie Mae) (NYSE: SLM) today announced an applicable dividend rate of 5.00 percent per annum on its adjustable rate cumulative preferred stock, Series A, for the period Jan. 1, 1991, through March 31, 1991.

At Sept. 30, 1990, Sallie Mae had 4,277,650 shares of such stock outstanding. Dividends are computed quarterly, at 4.50 percentage points below the highest yield on certain long-term and short-term U.S. Treasury obligations, but they are never less than 5.00 percent nor more than 14.00 percent per annum. The stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

Sallie Mae, a federally chartered, stockholder-owned corporation, is the major financial intermediary serving the education finance market. By buying insured student loans and providing other financial services to financial and educational institutions, Sallie Mae replenishes local supplies of student credit. The corporation owns about 30 percent of all guaranteed student loans outstanding today.

CONTACT: Gisela Vallandigham, 202-298-3147, or Ross Kleinman, 202-298-3013, both of Sallie Mae

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#90361p6402 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

TORONTO (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited (NASDAQ: AEAGF) has announced that Paul Penna informed the bard of directors at its meeting today that he is being treated for cancer. He further advised the board that the prognosis for his complete recovery is excellent. He is carrying on with his full duties and responsibilities as chief executive officer and, accordingly, there will be no change in the management, operation or direction

of the company.

Penna heads a strong management, resource and development team at Agnico-Eagle which owns and operates producing gold mines in Quebec. The company is also active in precious metal exploration throughout Canada and the United States.

CONTACT: Paul Penna, president and chairman of the board, or Barry Landen, secretary, 416-947-1212, both of Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited.

-30- 1011

#90361p6409 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SAN FRANCISCO, (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Chevron U.S.A. Inc. today announced an increase in the posted prices it will pay for all grades of crude oil in its Eastern Region (U.S. areas outside of California and Alaska).

The increase of $0.75/bbl was effective Thursday, Dec. 27, at 7 a.m. Chevron will now pay:

$26.00 for West Texas Intermediate $24.00 for West Texas Sour $26.50 for South Louisiana Sweet (Onshore) New prices for all grades other than those from California and Alaska are reflected in Chevron's Eastern Region Crude Oil Price Bulletin 90-E79. Bulletins are issued periodically reflecting price increases or decreases as market conditions change.

CONTACT: Mike Libbey, 415-894-4440; or Bonnie Chaikind, 415-894-1200; both of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

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#90361p6411 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

SEATTLE (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Westmark International Inc. (NASDAQ-NMS: WMRK) announced today the approval of the Arbitrator's binding Award and Judgment in litigation by Westmark subsidiary Advanced Technology Laboratories Inc. (ATL) against Acuson Corp. ATL alleged in its lawsuit that Acuson had engaged in systematic false and deceptive advertising in connection with sales of medical diagnostic ultrasound systems.

In documents prepared by the Arbitrator and approved by the United States District Court in Seattle, judgment was awarded in favor of ATL and against Acuson for $6.3 million. The Arbitrator further held that ATL is the prevailing party in the lawsuit and is entitled to an award of attorney's fees and costs against Acuson in an amount to be determined. The Arbitrator also found that Acuson is not entitled to any monetary relief against ATL and is not entitled to any award of attorneys' fees or costs.

The papers issued by the Arbitrator also include findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law with respect to an injunction in relation to conduct in the

sale or promotion of ultrasound products.

Westmark and ATL are extremely pleased with the result of this litigation and believe that the Arbitrator's award and judgment strongly support ATL's position that it has been subjected to extensive false and deceptive sales tactics by Acuson. Westmark and ATL also expressed the hope and desire that the results in this case will promote ethical and truthful conduct and representations between suppliers of diagnostic ultrasound instruments and the medical community they serve.

Allen Guisinger, president of ATL, stated that "both parties entered this arbitration with the agreements that its results would be binding. We can now put this dispute behind us and concentrate on representing the merits of our respective products in the marketplace."

Westmark, with headquarters in Seattle, is a worldwide developer, manufacturer and distributor of diagnostic ultrasound systems and electronic patient monitoring systems through its subsidaries, Advanced Technology Laboratories Inc., Bothell, Wash. and SpaceLabs Inc. in Redmond, Wash.

Westmark's common stock is quoted on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol WMRK.

CONTACT: Allen W. Guisinger of Westmark, 206-487-7255.

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#90361p6412 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

HOUSTON, (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - Blue Dolphin Energy Co. (NASDAQ: BDCO) announced that it has acquired certain of the assets of its majority shareholder, Dolphin Pipeline Inc. (DPI), which consist primarily of DPI's holdings in the company. DPI has transferred to the company $3,500,000 of the company's debt held by DPI and a small amount of cash in exchange for the issuance of approximately 6,263,000 shares of the company's common stock. Immediately following the exchange, DPI distributed its holdings of the company's common and preferred shares, totaling approximately 13,293,000 common shares and 15 million preferred shares, to the shareholders of DPI. The distribution results in a deconcentration of the company's ownership, with there now being no majority shareholder of the company. The company expects to recognize an extraordinary gain of approximately $1 million resulting from the acquisition of its debt and an annual reduction of interest expense of $262,500.

In an unrelated transaction, the company is offering for sale up to an aggregate of six million shares of its common stock, $0.01 par value per share (offered securities) at $0.50 per share to certain prospective purchasers in an "offshore transaction," as such term is defined in Regulation S of the Rules and Regulations under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The

company announced the execution of a subscription agreement which provides for the sale of 3,450,000 shares of the offered securities. Subject to the terms and conditions of the agreement, sale of the offered securities so subscribed is expected to occur on or before Feb. 15, 1991. Net proceeds from the sale of the 3,450,000 shares, expected to be approximately $1,510,000, will be used for general corporate purposes. Discussions with other potential subscribers are continuing.

Blue Dolphin Energy Co. is engaged in the exploration, acquisition, development and operation of oil and gas properties and in oil and gas transportation, processing and marketing.

CONTACT: Michael J. Jacobson of Blue Dolphin Energy Co., 713-621-3993

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#90361p6416 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

WALTHAM, MA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - MaxCom USA, Inc. announced today that its products and services will be marketed in France by Eurofax S.A., a leading provider of high-end facsimile equipment based in Paris.

Eurofax will market MaxCom's Maxlink International electronic mail, fax, and telex service to customers who require more than simple fax-to-fax capabilities.

By subscribing to Maxlink, French customers can use their fax machines to broadcast hundreds of faxes simultaneously, and to correspond with electronic mail and telex users worldwide.

"There's a good fit," said Andre de Fusco, MaxCom's president, "Our goal is to expand our customer base in Europe, and Eurofax will bundle our Maxlink service with their hardware products to increase their offerings."

MaxCom is establishing a network of local distributors to substantially increase the marketing of its Maxlink service in view of the liberalization of the European telecommunications market in 1992.

MaxCom develops electronic messaging systems for Digital Equipment Corp. (DEC) environments, and operates Maxlink International, a global electronic messaging service available on a subscription basis from over 700 cities worldwide.

CONTACT: Andre de Fusco, presidet of MaxCom, 617-890-8822.

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#90361p6432 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MILPITAS, CA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - LSI Logic (NYSE: LSI) and its subsidiary,

Headland Technology Inc., today announced the appointment of Frederick Brown IV to vice president/Asia-Pacific sales. He reports to Jack Ordway, vice president, sales, Headland Technology; and Robert M. Skinner, vice president of sales for LSI Logic.

In his new position, Brown is responsible for sales throughout the Asia-Pacific area. He will represent product lines that include ASICs, RISC microprocessors and PC chip sets, making his headquarters in Taipei, Taiwan after the beginning of 1991.

"Brown's proven track record in the Asia-Pacific marketplace provides us with the management expertise to be powerfully represented in this vital and competitive marketplace," said Ordway and Skinner.

Brown is a graduate of Carnegie Institute of Technology in Pittsburgh and has over 20 years of experience in the semiconductor industry. He began his career in product planning with Fairchild Semiconductor. After holding a variety of marketing and sales positions in computer-related businesses, he joined LSI Logic in 1982.

Headland Technology Inc. of Fremont, Calif. provides highly integrated graphics and logic products used in IBM-compatible personal computers. It is a privately-held company owned by its employees and LSI Logic Corp.

LSI Logic is a leading supplier of high-performance semiconductors including HCMOS application-specific integrated circuits (ASICs), and MIPS and SPARC architecture RISC microprocessors. The company also has a growing line of digital signal-processing circuits. LSI Logic is headquartered at 1551 McCarthy Blvd., Milpitas, 95035

CONTACT: Russell Castronovo of Miller Communications, 415-962-9550, for Headland Technology; or Laura Griswald of Headland Technology, 415-623-2636.

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#90361p6435 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

MENLO PARK, CA (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - MEDIAGENIC (NASDAQ: MGNC) today announced that it has completed the sale of its Atlanta-based subsidiary, ZSoft Corp., to an investor group led by EGL Holdings. ZSoft is a leading publisher of IBM-compatible graphics and image-processing software for MS-DOS and Windows, including PC Paintbrush IV Plus and Publisher's Paintbrush, and was a wholly-owned subsidiary of MEDIAGENIC.

The purchaser acquired the business of ZSoft, including substantially all of its assets and certain of its liabilities for approximately $3.8 million in cash.

Bruce Davis, chairman and chief executive officer of MEDIAGENIC, stated that

he was pleased that the transaction had closed and looked forward to a smooth transition, working in close cooperation with the ZSoft management. He further noted that the "divestiture will provide the company with additional working capital as it completes its restructuring to focus on Nintendo and IBM PC compatible entertainment software development and marketing."

In order to provide uninterrupted high quality service to ZSoft's trade customers, MEDIAGENIC will continue to manufacture ZSoft products for a period of six months from the date of completion of the sale and will serve as master distributor for such products for a period of three months from the date of sale. Mark Zachmann, ZSoft's founder and president, has dismissed his lawsuit against MEDIAGENIC which was filed earlier this year. Zachmann is a participant in the buying group and will continue as president of ZSoft.

Headquartered in Menlo Park, MEDIAGENIC is an international developer and publisher of entertainment software for IBM-compatible computers and Nintendo video game systems. The company publishes its cartridge, floppy-disk and CD-ROM titles under the Activision, Electric Dreams and Infocom brands.

CONTACT: Michelle M. Bowman of MEDIAGENIC, 415-329-0800, ext. 5024.

-30- 2112

#90361p6442 12/27/1990 ~PR Newswire

GALESBURG, IL (DEC. 27) PR NEWSWIRE - United Federal Bank today acquired the assets and liabilities of Illinois-based Enterprise Savings Bank, F.A., it was announced.

United Federal's parent company, Westinghouse Savings Corp., invested capital to assure the combined institution complies with 1994 government requirements.

The government-assisted purchase was under a new federal program designed to preserve the franchise value of thrift institutions that, in the view of the Office of Thrift Supervision, have "acceptable management and stable operations," but do not meet the capital requirements of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989.

Richard Conte, president of Westinghouse Savings Corp., said, "United Federal will continue to look at opportunities to acquire branches within its service region, but this completes our immediate plans to acquire thrift institutions."

A division of Westinghouse Federal Savings Bank, FSB, United Federal has 20 Illinois offices with more than $800 million in assets.

CONTACT: Brad Hemstreet of Westinghouse Credit, 309-671-3500

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#90361t0544 12/27/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 27) TASS - THE USSR CONGRESS OF PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES, SUPREME LEGISLATURE IN THE USSR, EXPRESSED SERIOUS CONCERN OVER DANGEROUS DEVELOPMENTS IN THE GULF.

A DECISION ON THIS ISSUE ADOPTED TODAY, THE LAST DAY OF THE CONGRESS'S WORK, CONFIRMS "SUPPORT FOR RELEVANT U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS WHICH WERE ADOPTED AFTER IRAQ'S INVASION OF KUWAIT".

THE CONGRESS STRESSED ITS COMMITMENT TO A PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF THE CRISIS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THESE RESOLUTIONS.

LEGISLATORS CALLED ON THE IRAQI LEADERSHIP AND PEOPLE "TO DISPLAY HIGH RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE DESTINY OF THEIR HOMELAND AND INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND TO FULFILL DEMANDS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY BASED ON THE RULES OF CIVILISED LIFE AND LEGALITY".

"IRAQ MUST LEAVE KUWAIT, AND THAT COUNTRY'S INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGNTY MUST BE RESTORED," THE DOCUMENT STATES.

THE DECISION APPROVES THE POLICY AND MOVES BY THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP IN CONNECTION WITH THE GULF CRISIS AND MEASURES TO ENSURE THE SECURITY AND THE RETURN OF SOVIET CITIZENS FROM IRAQ TO THE USSR.

THE CONGRESS SPOKE OUT "TO CONTINUE CONSISTENT EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE A POLITICAL SETTLEMENT OF THE GULF CRISIS".

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#90361t0545 12/27/1990 ~ts

MOSCOW (DEC. 27) TASS - THE SOVIET UNION SUPPORTS THE APPEAL FOR THE RESTORATION OF PEACE AND SECURITY IN THE GULF REGION, ISSUED IN DOHA DURING THE 11TH CONFERENCE OF THE COOPERATION COUNCIL FOR THE ARAB STATES OF THE GULF, SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN VITALY CHURKIN SAID AT A BRIEFING HERE TODAY.

LEADERS OF SIX COUNTRIES -- QATAR, SAUDI ARABIA, KUWAIT, BAHRAIN, OMAN AND THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES -- DISCUSSED PROBLEMS FACING THIS REGIONAL ORGANISATION, PRIMARILY THE CRISIS CREATED BY THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT. THEY EMPHATICALLY REITERATED THEIR DEMAND FOR THE UNCONDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL OF IRAQI TROOPS FROM KUWAIT AND RETURN TO THE SITUATION THAT EXISTED BEFORE THE INVASION.

CHURKIN SAID THE ARAB STATES OF THE GULF PREFERRED A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE CRISIS, BUT ARE READY, IN PRINCIPLE, TO RESORT TO EXTREME MEASURES. IT TOTALLY DEPENDS ON THE IRAQI LEADERSHIP IF THEY GO THAT FAR, THE SOVIET SPOKESMAN SAID.

CHURKIN NOTED THAT PARTICIPANTS IN THE CONFERENCE DID NOT CONFINE DISCUSSION

TO CURRENT PROBLEMS. THEY ANALYSED ISSUES DEALING WITH THE FUTURE OF THE REGION, SPECIFICALLY, WAYS OF PREVENTING SITUATIONS SIMILAR TO THE IRAQI INVASION OF KUWAIT. CHURKIN SAID THIS LOOKING TO THE FUTURE "DESERVES CREDIBILITY". HE SAID THAT THE SOVIET UNION IS READY "TO PARTICIPATE EFFECTIVELY" IN THE CREATION OF A RELIABLE SECURITY SYSTEM IN THE GULF REGION.

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#90361u0057 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) - WEDNESDAY'S SPORTS TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Milwaukee - Named Fred Stanley infield coach.

Pittsburgh - Named Jack Zduriencik director of scouting.

Senior Professional Baseball Association - Ceased operation for rest of the season following failure of Fort Myers franchise.

Yomiuri (Japan Central League) - Signed outfielder Phil Bradley to 1-year contract.

BASKETBALL

LA Clippers - Wavied Greg Butler; claimed Mike Smrek on waivers.

Phoenix - Placed forward Kenny Battle on injured list; activated center Andrew Lang.

COLLEGE

Alcorn State - Named Cardell Jones football coach.

Georgetown - Announced reserve guard Antoine Stoudamire has left the team.

FOOTBALL

Chicago - Signed free-agent quarterback Brent Snyder to practice squad.

Cleveland - Waived running back Brent Fullwood; activated wide receiver Eugene Rowell.

Miami - Signed running back Tony Collins; placed running back Troy Stradford on injured reserve; placed defensive back Bobby Harden on practice squad.

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(DEC. 27) - NHL STANDINGS:

WALES CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
PATRICK DIVISION						
NY Rangers	20	13	6	46	147	121
New Jersey	19	13	6	44	149	126
Philadelphia	19	17	5	43	134	130
Pittsburgh	19	17	3	51	164	145
Washington	18	20	1	37	127	126
NY Islanders	13	18	4	30	100	123
ADAMS DIVISION						
Boston	20	11	7	47	132	120
Montreal	17	16	5	39	119	119
Hartford	16	18	4	36	106	123
Buffalo	12	16	8	32	116	121
Quebec	8	24	7	23	106	172

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
NORRIS DIVISION						
Chicago	25	12	3	53	134	106
St. Louis	21	9	6	48	130	99
Detroit	19	15	4	42	138	130
Minnesota	11	22	6	28	115	134
Toronto	10	26	2	22	103	153
SMYTHE DIVISION						
Calgary	20	13	4	44	150	119
Los Angeles	18	11	5	41	140	113
Vancouver	17	18	3	37	121	131
Edmonton	15	17	2	32	112	111
Winnipeg	11	22	7	29	129	150

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(DEC. 27) - THURSDAY'S SPORTS CALENDAR:

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Liberty Bowl - Ohio St. vs. Air Force at Memphis, Tenn., 8 p.m.

BASKETBALL

Portland at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.

Seattle at Washington, 7:30 p.m.

Golden State at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

Miami at Denver, 9:30 p.m.

Dallas at Utah, 9:30 p.m.

HOCKEY

St. Louis at Toronto, 7:35 p.m.

NY Islanders at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.

Calgary at Edmonton, 9:35 p.m.

Montreal at Vancouver, 10:35 p.m.

Philadelphia at Los Angeles, 10:35 p.m.

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(DEC. 27) UPI - The New York Times says President Bush is NOT likely to listen to warnings from some U-S Army leaders that American troops WON't be ready for war by January 15th- if Bush decides military action in the Persian Gulf is necessary on that date. The Times cites two UNnamed senior members of the Bush administration as its sources. The sources say military leaders are always comfortable with more time.

South Korean President Roh Tae-woo has appointed 11 new cabinet members. Included in the reorganization is the prime minister. The new P-M has been Roh's chief of staff for nearly one year and is a former college professor. A presidential spokesman says the cabinet overhaul is aimed at actively coping with what he termed ''the internal and external situations and pushing government policies efficiently and vigorously.''

South Korea's main opposition says the cabinet shuffle is NOT likely to help democracy because many of the new appointees have a ''Cold War'' philosopy. The opposition party also said the economic team of the cabinet should have been replaced.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has given operators of the Seabrook plant mostly ''good'' marks for their management. The highest marks were for emergency preparedness and plant security at the controversial reactor in New Hampshire. New Hampshire Yankee has been sharply criticized by anti-nuclear groups and state officials in neighboring Massachusetts for its emergency

evacuation plans.

Philadelphia Electric's Limerick nuclear plant has received top marks in five of seven areas in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's annual evaluation of the facility.

In Singapore, a police department advertisement shows a corpse on a stretcher in a pool of blood to discourage drunken driving during the holiday season. The full-page newspaper ad carries the headline... ''Is this how you'll be going home?'' An ad depicting an emergency ward in a hospital will appear in newspapers New Year's Eve.

A house that caught fire in Los Angeles Wednesday had security bars on the windows... and people trapped inside. But the ending was a happy one. Sheriff's deputies and neighbors managed to pry open the security bars. They rescued eight people from the house. Six occupants of the house and three deputies were injured. Officials believe the blaze began from defective lights on the Christmas tree.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - The New York Mets reached agreement Wednesday on a contract extension with Kevin McReynolds that would pay the outfielder some $10 million over the next three years.

McReynolds, who batted .269 with 24 home runs and 84 RBI in 147 games last season, had one year remaining on his former contract that paid him some $1.26 million in 1990.

Mets officials have called a news conference for Thursday afternoon, but would not disclose the reason.

McReynolds, 31, is a career .270 hitter in seven full major-league seasons with 167 homers and 621 RBI. He has hit at least 20 homers in each of his last four years, all with the Mets.

McReynolds was acquired by the Mets prior to the 1987 season from San Diego along with pitcher Gene Walter and infielder Adam Ging for outfielders Kevin Mitchell, Shawn Abner and Stanley Jefferson and pitcher Kevin Brown.

He has been a left fielder in his career with the Mets, but may move back to his former position in center after New York acquired both Hubie Brooks and Vince Coleman during the off-season.

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TOKYO (DEC. 27) UPI - Share prices posted a slight gain Thursday in Tokyo as a seesaw battle between new money coming into the market and old money trying to get out ended in the black.

The Nikkei average of 225 selected stocks rose 53.14 points to close at 23,940.70. The Nikkei, the market's main barometer, had gained 120 points the day before.

The broader Tokyo Stock Price Index of all major shares advanced 10. 74 points as broad buying carried most sectors higher. TOPIX ended the day at 1,740.55.

Trading quickened from Wednesday's negligible pace of 220 million shares, but remained low at an estimated 330 million shares.

New investment trusts with a cache of funds estimated at 500 billion yen (U.S dlrs 3.7 billion) started to enter the market this week, brokers said.

Institutional purchases drove the Nikkei up 375 points by midafternoon. But then profit-taking and margin-selling combined to batter the Nikkei back down to finish with only a very modest gain, they said.

Most of the funds are earmarked for entry into the market in the new year, said broker Brian Tobin of S.G. Warburg (Securities).

But a considerable amount of margin-selling remains in the offing, brokers said.

Despite Thursday's advance, brokers viewed the low volume as evidence that the market's energy has fizzled for the year.

With only a half-day session Friday to go in the trading year, prospects for a real rally were considered slim.

''I expect the year to end with a thud,'' Tobin remarked.

The bond market continued to advance on expectations of easier money in the new year. That gave a lift to banking stocks, brokers said.

Fuji Bank gained 50 yen to 2,400, while the Industrial Bank of Japan shot up 90 yen to close at 3,270.

Marine transport and oil stocks were weaker.

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(DEC. 27) - NBA STANDINGS:

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	23	4	.852	-
Philadelphia	19	8	.704	4
New York	12	14	.461	10 1/2
New Jersey	10	16	.385	12 1/2
Washington	10	16	.385	12 1/2
Miami	5	20	.200	16 1/2

CENTRAL DIVISION

Milwaukee	19	8	.704	-
Chicago	18	9	.667	1
Detroit	17	11	.607	2 1/2
Atlanta	13	13	.500	5 1/2
Cleveland	11	17	.393	8 1/2
Indiana	10	18	.357	9 1/2
Charlotte	8	17	.320	10

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	18	6	.750	-
Utah	17	9	.654	2
Houston	15	12	.555	4 1/2
Dallas	9	15	.375	9
Minnesota	7	17	.292	11
Denver	6	19	.240	12 1/2
Orlando	6	22	.214	14

PACIFIC DIVISION

Portland	25	3	.893	-
Phoenix	16	9	.640	7 1/2
LA Lakers	15	9	.625	8
Golden State	15	11	.577	9
Seattle	11	13	.458	12
LA Clippers	10	16	.385	14
Sacramento	6	18	.250	17

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Prospects for a merger between Pan Am Corp. and Trans World Airlines appeared to dim as representatives for each airline raised questions about the other's intentions.

''We still remain optimistic, but Pan Am doesn't seem to be interested in talking with us,'' said Mark Buckstein, general counsel at TWA. ''We have not had any conversations with them.''

Pan Am spokesman Jeffrey Kriendler said Wednesday TWA failed to supply a more detailed merger proposal, as requested by Pan Am on Friday. ''We are still awaiting their response, still waiting to hear from them,'' he said.

Merger talks between the two airlines stalled Monday after Pan Am officials cancelled an 11 a.m. meeting with their counterparts at TWA, Buckstein said.

Buckstein said Pan Am officials informed him early Monday that they would not come to the meeting and asked instead that TWA send over a copy of its buyout proposal. As of midday Wednesday, TWA had not done so, Buckstein said.

But Kriendler said no meeting had been scheduled, because Pan Am officials were prepared to meet only after seeing TWA's more detailed proposal.

''They have not come back and responded to our letter of Dec. 21, therein requesting that they provide us with a detailed term sheet of the proposal - in other words, the financial aspects of their offer,'' Kriendler said.

TWA owner Carl Icahn offered last week to acquire Pan Am for $1.50 a share cash and $1 in preferred stock or promissory notes, in a deal that would be worth $375 million at the most.

The price of Pan Am stock closed up $0.125 to $1.375 a share on the New York Stock Exchange.

Asked if TWA's offer was still on the table, Buckstein said: ''I guess you could say that, yes.'' He said TWA officials were awaiting Pan Am's next move.

In a letter to Pan Am Chairman Thomas Plaskett released Tuesday, Icahn questioned whether Pan Am was serious about a possible merger.

''The conflicting attitudes and signals that we have received from you and other representatives cause us to wonder whether you are serious,'' Icahn said.

Icahn also expressed concern about reports that Pan Am may be poised to sell its lucrative Northeast shuttle operation. Cash-strapped Pan Am has shed some assets in recent years to cover mounting losses.

''If you genuinely believe that a sale of the shuttle is the right answer for Pan Am, then why wouldn't you offer to TWA, as part of a merger, the right to compete for the shuttle on the same terms as another buyer?'' Icahn asked.

''At this stage in our discussions, for Pan Am to sell assets to third parties without discussing the same with TWA demonstrates your lack of a good-faith

interest in negotiating the merger of our airlines.

''I urge you and your board to carefully consider your next step before you destroy the possibility of a Pan Am-TWA combination which might well be your airline's only hope of survival,'' Icahn wrote.

Pan Am did not immediately respond to the letter.

Plaskett opened the way for a merger Friday in a letter to Icahn saying ''the time is right'' to explore the possibility. But Plaskett also said Pan Am would need a loan from TWA while awaiting approval of any merger agreement.

Icahn said he would be willing to loan Pan Am money, but only as part of bankruptcy proceedings that would give TWA a priority lien on unsecured Pan Am assets. Plaskett is said to oppose that condition.

The Wall Street Journal reported Monday that Northwest Airlines had arranged financing with PacifiCorp of Portland, Ore., to buy the Pan Am Shuttle linking New York, Boston and Washington for $150 million.

Spokesmen for Northwest and Pan Am declined to comment on the report.

Such a sale would further ease the cash shortage at Pan Am.

On Monday, Pan Am received $20 million from United Airlines for its San Francisco facilities, sold as part of a larger $400 million deal including Pan Am's five U.S.-London routes.

Pan Am needs cash to survive the slow winter travel season while awaiting governmental approval of the London route transfer.

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(DEC. 27) UPI - U.S. military leaders believe Iraqi troops are so deeply dug into Kuwait they most likely will have to be removed by force and President Bush reportedly will not be deterred from attacking Iraq by military preparedness.

Japan's prime minister Thursday sent a letter to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein urging him to withdraw his forces from Kuwait.

Recalling Japan's bitter experience of war and its long, hard recovery, Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu urged Saddam to avoid conflict, according to a summary of the contents released by the Foreign Ministry.

The New York Times reported Thursday that President Bush knew when the United Nations voted for the deadline to authorize the use of force against Iraq that

American troops might not be ready to attack by Jan. 15.

Two unnamed senior administration sources quoted by the newspaper said the official position is that Jan. 15 is not the date on which the United States is committed to begin military activity, but merely an ''authorization date,'' after which Bush will enjoy a United Nations sanction should he decide to go to war.

''The military are always more comfortable with more time, but I would not take that to mean that we are expanding our timetable,'' the newspaper quoted one official as saying.

Saddam insisted Wednesday that the Palestinian question would have to be on the agenda of any meeting he held on the Gulf crisis.

''The Palestinian issue is our first priority,'' he was quoted by the Iraqi News Agency as saying. ''We will liberate Palestine, after that we will be ready to discuss all issues. This is our policy and we will not retract it.''

And in a television interview, taped last Saturday and broadcast Wednesday night on Spain's independent television network Telecinco, Saddam said if war broke out Iraq would attack Tel Aviv. He also defended Iraq's possession and possible use of chemical weapons.

''Those who accuse us should also take into consideration that nuclear weapons are more dangerous than chemical ones. The United States used nuclear weapons in Japan. Israel, as all the world knows has nuclear weapons,'' Saddam said.

''Therefore Iraq has a right to possess the same weapons that its enemy has or those which can neutralize the arms of its enemy. This question is not for discussion by us,'' he added.

''Chemical weapons have been used in Vietnam and Afghanistan by the United States and the Soviet Union. We think the discussion of this issue is hypocrisy and we do not respect hypocrites,'' Saddam continued.

Two high-level Soviet officials left Moscow for Baghdad to discuss the evacuation of 1,700 Soviets remaining in Iraq and for ''a variety of meetings'' in the Iraqi capital, a Soviet Foreign Ministry official said.

In Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Lt. Col. Tom Coury, a U.S. Army intelligence officer, told reporters at a briefing that military experts feel the Iraqis are too deeply dug into Kuwait to withdraw before Jan. 15 and most likely will have to be removed by force.

''We presently assess that Saddam Hussein intends to remain in Kuwait for the long haul,'' said Coury. ''He continues to pour both men and materiel into the country.''

Asked if that means Iraq will have to be forced out of Kuwait, Coury responded ''Well, it's looking in that direction.''

In Washington, a Pentagon spokesman said an Iraqi missile took off from Iraq and landed within Iraq and ''appeared to be part of additional testing or training'' for Iraqi forces. The missile was not aimed at the multinational forces arrayed against Iraq.

In Washington, the State Department denied a report published in an Israeli newspaper that Secretary of State James Baker would meet Saddam in Baghdad Jan. 9 for talks on the Persian Gulf standoff.

Saddam himself appeared to rule out the reported compromise, saying in an interview on Mexican television that no date but the one he proposed - Jan. 12 - would be acceptable. The United States has said it wants the meeting held on Jan. 3.

The State Department Wednesday ordered all non-essential U.S. personnel to leave Jordan and Sudan ''well before Jan. 15,'' citing ''unstable conditions'' and the growing threat to Americans in the Persian Gulf.

U.S. citizens were warned in previous travel advisories to leave Yemen, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and the eastern province of Saudi Arabia.

In another development Wednesday, a Palestine Liberation Organization official threatened terrorist attacks against U.S. targets worldwide in the event of war against Iraq.

''American interests in the world will be targeted and suicidal attacks will be launched in and outside the gulf and Palestine,'' said Zeid Wehbeh, PLO representative in Lebanon.

Wehbeh made the threat in an interview with the Lebanese communist- run Voice of the People radio station.

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(DEC. 27) UPI - St. Louis ran its unbeaten string to nine games with a late goal Wednesday night against Chicago, but it was the Blues who were disappointed and the Blackhawks who came away encouraged.

Jeff Brown scored an unassisted goal at 15:17 of the third period and assisted on three others to thwart a Chicago rally, giving the Blues a 6-6 tie.

Chicago had overcome a 3-0 deficit, taking a 6-5 lead on third-period goals by

Steve Larmer, Adam Creighton and Wayne Presley, the latter two scoring just 13 seconds apart.

''We were able to pick up a huge point (in the standings) considering the hole we were in,'' Chicago Coach Mike Keenan said.

The Blackhawks missed on four shots in the overtime period, while the Blues did not have an attempt against goaltender Ed Belfour.

With the tie, St. Louis remained unbeaten in its last nine games at 6-0-3. That was not good enough for Blues Coach Brian Sutter.

''All I can say is I'm disappointed,'' Sutter said. ''You have a 5-3 lead in the third period, you should win the hockey game.''

Trailing 5-3 after two periods, Chicago started its rally with Larmer's 25th goal of the season. He flipped the puck over goaltender Vincent Riendeau's stick from close range at 6:08 of the third to pull the Blackhawks within 5-4.

Creighton then notched his second goal of the game and 12th of the season, hitting Steve Thomas's pass in the air into the net at 11:27. Just 13 seconds later, Presley jabbed a rebound into the net for his seventh goal and a 6-5 Chicago lead.

The Blackhawks, who have the NHL's best record at 25-12-3, now have outscored opponents 54-36 in the third period.

Despite the comeback, Keenan wasn't completely happy with his team's slow start. He benched forwards Dirk Graham, Mike Hudson, Presley and Jeremy Roenick for about nine minutes in the second period.

''It's simply a matter of preparation and remembering how we got to be a first-place club,'' Keenan said. ''It's that consistency that made us a first-place club. You don't get 53 points by playing half a game.''

The Blues opened a 3-0 first period lead, outshooting Chicago 10-3. Ron Wilson notched his sixth goal of the season off a rebound at 3:01 and just 1:07 later Oates made the score 2-0 with an unassisted goal. Oates, who had two goals and an assist in St. Louis' 5-0 win Saturday, connected on a screened shot from the slot for his sixth of the season.

St. Louis capitalized on a 4-on-3 situation when Cliff Ronning scored a power-play goal at 6:21 off a rebound of Oates' missed attempt to open a 3-0 lead.

''I think we came out flat and it's been like that all year,'' Creighton said. ''We showed we could battle back. We were lucky we got it going.''

-- AROUND THE NHL --

In other NHL games Wednesday night, Buffalo tied Boston 3-3, Hartford thumped Quebec 4-1, Pittsburgh ripped Washington 7-3 and Winnipeg beat Minnesota 6-4.

SABRES 3, BRUINS 3

At Buffalo, N.Y., Benoit Hogue scored a power-play goal at 18:40 of the third period to lift the Sabres into the tie. Hogue's 15-foot wrist shot from the slot deflected in off Don Sweeney. Vladimir Ruzicka scored two goals to lead the Bruins.

WHALERS 4, NORDIQUES 1

At Quebec, linemates Ron Francis, Pat Verbeek and Rob Brown scored one goal each to lead the Whalers. Hartford's Peter Sidorkiewicz registered 32 saves as the Whalers recorded their first victory over the Nordiques this season.

PENGUINS 7, CAPITALS 3

At Landover, Md., Paul Coffey scored twice in a span of 39 seconds and Bryan Trottier and Barry Pederson followed with first-period goals less than two minutes later for the Penguins. The five goals came on the Penguins' first seven shots.

JETS 6, NORTH STARS 4

At Bloomington, Minn., Paul MacDermid scored a goal and assisted on three others, including a pair by Ed Olcyzk, to help the Jets snap a four-game losing streak. Winnipeg's victory was only its second in its last 11 games.

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(DEC. 27) - THURSDAY'S NBA BOX SCORES:

INDIANA (132)

Sanders 8-12 2-2 18, Person 5-10 0-0 10, Smits 7-13 1-1 15, Fleming 7-15 4-4 18, Miller 7-16 6-7 20, Schrempf 6-17 5-5 17, M.Williams 4-5 6-6 15, Thompson 2-5 1-2 5, McCloud 3-5 0-0 8, Wittman 2-4 0-0 4, Dreiling 0-1 0-0 0, K. Williams 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 52-105 25-27 132.

BOSTON (152)

Bird 8-16 4-5 22, Gamble 8-10 3-3 19, Parish 7- 10 2-3 16, Shaw 9-15 7-8 26, Lewis 8-17 3-4 19, McHale 7-12 4-4 19, Pinckney 4-6 6-6 14, Brown 4-10 3-3 11, Kleine 1-1 2-2 4, M.Smith 1- 2 0-0 2, Vrankovic 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 57-100 34-38

152.

Indiana	40	23	36	33-132
Boston	40	35	40	37-152

Three-point goals-M.Williams, McCloud 2; Bird 2, Shaw, McHale. Fouled out-Sanders. Total fouls-Indiana 24, Boston 19. Rebounds-Indiana 39 (Smits 8), Boston 54 (McHale 10). Assists-Indiana 29 (Smits, M. Williams 5), Boston 36 (Bird 12). Technicals-Person; Boston (illegal defense). A-14,890.

PORTLAND (108)

Kersey 4-7 0-0 8, Williams 4-7 0-0 8, Duckworth 11-22 2-2 24, Drexler 11-19 3-4 27, Porter 7-11 0-0 15, Ainge 4-6 2-2 10, Robinson 2-7 0-0 4, Young 2-4 0-0 4, Bryant 1-5 2-2 4, Cooper 0-2 0-0 0, Petrovic 1-2 0-2 2, Abdelnaby 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 48-93 9-12 108.

NEW YORK (92)

Oakley 3-6 5-6 11, Vandeweghe 7-17 2-2 17, Ewing 9-19 6-8 24, Jackson 2-10 2-2 6, G. Wilkins 5-11 4-4 14, E. Wilkins 2-5 0-0 4, Walker 2-4 0-0 4, John Starks 1-4 1-2 4, Tucker 2-5 0-0 6, Mustaf 0-3 0-0 0, Grant 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 34-86 20-24 92.

Portland	26	22	28	32-108
New York	20	24	19	24- 92

Three-point goals-Drexler 2, Porter; Vandeweghe, Starks, Tucker 2. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Portland 20, New York 14. Rebounds-Portland 44 (Drexler 9), New York 43 (Oakley 14). Assists-Portland 23 (Kersey, Drexler, Porter 5), New York (Jackson 9). Technicals-None. A-19,081.

ATLANTA (113)

Wilkins 7-22 4-6 18, Willis 12-21 2-4 26, Koncak 4-7 2-4 10, Rivers 3-12 7-8 13, Webb 5-10 5-5 15, Battle 5-15 9-11 19, Moncrief 1-3 3-3 5, Malone 2-6 1-2 5, McCormick 1-3 0-1 2. Totals 40-99 33- 44 113.

NEW JERSEY (111)

Coleman 1-5 2-2 4, Gervin 13-23 8-9 34, Bowie 5-13 3-4 13, Blaylock 5-15 4-6 14, Theus 12-21 6- 6 30, Haley 2-8 1-2 5, Lee 1-1 0-0 3, Dudley 3-9 0-0 6, Buechler 0-0 0-0 0, George 1-1 0-0 2, Conner 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 43-96 24-29 111.

Atlanta	24	30	37	22-113
New Jersey	20	32	34	25-111

Three-point goals-Lee. Fouled out-Bowie. Total fouls-Atlanta 21, New Jersey 30.

Rebounds-Atlanta 59 (Willis 15), New Jersey 54 (Dudley 13). Assists-Atlanta 14 (Wilkins, Battle 4), New Jersey 17 (Bowie, Battle 4). Technicals-Atlanta assistant coach Loughery. A-11,445.

PHILADELPHIA (106)

Barkley 13-20 7-12 35, Mahorn 1-5 2-2 4, Gminski 2-8 0-0 4, Green 8-14 0-0 16, Hawkins 7-15 12-12 26, Anderson 7-15 0-2 14, Bol 0-3 0-0 0, Turner 2-4 0-0 5, Oliver 0-2 0-0 0, Williams 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 41-87 21-28 106.

WASHINGTON (105)

Grant 8-16 2-2 18, King 16-29 3-6 35, Jones 2-2 0-0 4, Walker 4-13 0-1 8, Workman 4-6 0-0 8, Ellison 3-7 3-4 9, Eackles 5-9 7-8 17, Alarie 3-8 0-0 6. Totals 45-90 15-21 105.

Philadelphia	25	29	25	21	6-106
Washington	22	29	23	26	5-105

Three-point goals-Barkley 2, Turner. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Philadelpha 22, Washington 23. Rebounds-Philadelphia 39 (Mahorn 11), Washington 45 (Ellison 13). Assists-Philadelphia 23 (Turner 6), Washington 31 (Walker 12). Technicals- None. A-12,066.

HOUSTON (103)

Johnson 5-13 7-8 17, Thorpe 6-10 2-2 14, Olajuwon 9-25 7-8 25, Maxwell 8-17 0-0 20, K. Smith 5-11 0-0 10, Feitl 0-2 2-2 2, Floyd 3-8 0-0 7, Winchester 0-2 0-0 0, Wood 0-1 2-2 2, L. Smith 3-5 0-0 6, Caldwell 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-94 20-22 103.

ORLANDO (109)

Scott 1-6 0-0 3, Catledge 6-13 8-9 20, Kite 0-1 0-0 0, Skiles 3-12 4-5 10, Anderson 11-18 9-11 31, Reynolds 9-19 6-6 24, Acres 2-4 3-6 7, Ansley 2- 2 0-0 4, Vincent 1-2 0-0 2, O.Smith 4-7 0-0 8. Totals 39-84 30-37 109.

Houston	30	21	28	24-103	Orlando	21	30	28	30-109

Three-point goals-Maxwell 4, Floyd; Scott. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Houston 32, Orlando 18. Rebounds-Houston 49 (Olajuwon 20), Orlando 41 (Anderson 9). Assists-Houston 27 (K.Smith 14), Orlando 15 (Skiles 5). Technicals-None. A-15,077.

CHARLOTTE (94)

Newman 3-6 3-3 10, Gilliam 9-13 9-11 27, Reid 4-8 3-4 11, Chapman 4-13 5-5 13, Bogues 2-3 0-0 4, Curry 6-9 0-0 13, Gattison 0-2 0-2 0, Tripucka 1-4 2-2 4,

Gill 3-11 4-6 10, Keys 1-2 0-0 2, Hoppen 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 33-72 26-33 94.

DETROIT (102)

Rodman 4-6 2-3 10, Edwards 2-6 6-8 10, Laimbeer 3-6 0-0 6, Dumars 8-15 3-4 19, Thomas 3-9 8-8 14, Bedford 7-10 2-2 16, Johnson 3-6 1-2 7, Aguirre 5-12 1-2 11 Salley 3- 4 3-5 9. Totals 38-74 26-34 102.

Charlotte	17	25	26	26- 94
Detroit	32	20	30	20-102

Three-point goals-Newman, Curry. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Charlotte 26, Detroit 28. Rebounds-Charlotte 36 (Gilliam 7), Detroit 37 (Rodman 10). Assists-Charlotte 20 (Gill 9), Detroit 28 (Thomas 11). Technicals-None. A-21,454.

SEATTLE (99)

Kemp 7-12 5-8 19, McKey 5-8 3-3 13, Cage 3-7 4-6 10, Ellis 5-12 2-2 14, Payton 4-7 4-4 12, Threatt 6-7 0-2 12, Johnson 1-6 8-8 10, McMillan 0-2 0-0 0, Polynice 0-2 2-2 2, Barros 3-5 0-0 7. Totals 34-68 28-35 99.

CLEVELAND (97)

Nance 10-19 8-10 28, Brown 3-9 2-4 8, Daugherty 9-15 5-8 23, Ehlo 7-11 0-0 15, Kerr 2-5 3-3 9, Valentine 5-9 0-0 10, Ferry 0-6 2-2 2, Morton 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 37-77 20-27 97.

Seattle	26	21	24	28-99
Cleveland	22	22	35	18-97

Three-point goals-Ellis 2, Barros; Ehlo, Kerr 2. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-Seattle 25, Cleveland 25. Rebounds-Seattle 35 (Cage 8), Cleveland 34 (Daugherty 11). Assists-Seattle 18 (Payton 7), Cleveland 30 (Ehlo 8). Technicals-Seattle (illegal defense 3). A-14,839.

GOLDEN STATE (119)

Hill 3-6 2-4 8, Mullin 10-14 8-9 29, Johnson 1-1 0-0 2, Hardaway 12-20 2-2 27, Richmond 7-21 9-9 23, Higgins 4-9 1-2 9, Lister 1-2 0-0 2, Marciulionis 4-4 4-4 12, Tolbert 2-8 3-4 7, Pritchard 0-4 0-0 0. Totals 44-89 29-35 119.

MILWAUKEE (126)

Brickowski 7-12 3-6 17, Roberts 3-4 3-6 9, Sikma 3-11 3-3 9, Humphries 9-14 7-10 28, Robertson 11-17 3-6 25, Pierce 9-14 10-11 28, Schayes 1-4 2-2 4, Grayer 1-3 2-4 4, Henson 0-1 2-2 2, Lohaus 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 44-81 35-50 126.

Golden State	32	29	19	39-119
Milwaukee	30	32	24	40-126

Three-point goals-Humphries 3, Mullin, Hardaway. Fouled out-Marciulionis. Total fouls-Golden State 37, Milwaukee 25. Rebounds-Golden State 37 (Higgins 7), Milwaukee 47 (Robertson 16). Assists- Golden State 20 (Hardaway 8), Milwaukee 27 (Robertson 12). Technical-Marciulionis. A-18,633.

MIAMI (97)

Long 3-6 2-2 8, Thompson 2-4 1-2 5, Seikaly 11- 19 4-8 26, Douglas 4-11 3-4 11 Rice 5-17 2-2 13, Edwards 2-13 1-2 5, Kessler 2-9 2-2 6, Burton 2-6 7-8 11, Coles 1-5 0-0 2, Davis 2-3 0-0 4, Sundvold 2-5 0-0 4, Askins 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 37- 100 22-30 97.

SAN ANTONIO (111)

Elliott 5-7 4-4 16, Cummings 6-13 0-0 12, Robinson 4-15 7-7 15, Strickland 8-11 4-4 21, Anderson 9-21 6-7 24, Schintzius 3-10 0-0 6, Higgins 2-6 0-0 4, Pressey 4-7 4-4 12, Massenburg 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 41-91 26-28 111.

Miami	26	32	19	20- 97
San Antonio	28	23	34	26-111

Three-point goals-Rice, Askins; Elliott 2, Strickland. Fouled out-none. Total fouls- Miami 24, San Antonio 23. Rebounds-Miami 51 (Seikaly 13), San Antonio 51 (Robinson 18). Assists-Miami 20 (Douglas 7), San Antonio 25 (Strickland 8). Technicals-None. A-15,908.

DALLAS (88)

English 8-14 2-2 18, McCray 4-10 0-0 8, Donaldson 4-6 0-0 8, Blackman 5-14 3-3 13, Harper 7-14 3-3 19, White 3-8 0-0 6, Davis 0-4 0- 0 0, Shasky 1-3 2-2 4, Alford 4-6 2-2 10, Grandholm 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 37-82 12-12 88.

PHOENIX (115)

Chambers 8-15 8-10 24, McDaniel 7-17 0-0 14, West 5-7 2-2 12, Hornacek 5-10 3-3 13, Johnson 8-13 3-3 19, Rambis 1-6 1-2 3, Majerle 5-10 0-0 10, Lang 3-5 1-2 7, Knight 3-4 2-4 8, Perry 0-0 0-0 0, Nealy 0-0 0-0 0, Ceballos 2-3 1-2 5. Totals 47-90 21-28 115.

Dallas	23	18	24	23- 88
Phoenix	26	21	34	34-115

Three-point goals-Harper 2. Fouled out- None. Total fouls-Dallas 24, Phoenix 12. Rebounds-Dallas 28 (White 8), Phoenix 49 (Chambers 12). Assists-Dallas 26 (Harper 6), Phoenix 34 (Johnson 9). Technicals- Phoenix (illegal defense).

A-14,487.

DENVER (128)

Liberty 4-9 3-4 12, Cook 0-2 0-0 0, Rasmussen 10-17 1-2 21, Jackson 10-21 0-0 22, Adams 17-26 3-4 44, Mills 3-8 2-2 8, Davis 6-13 0-0 12, Wolf 4- 7 1-1 9. Totals 54-103 10-13 128.

SACRAMENTO (112)

Simmons 7-23 10-11 24, Tisdale 8-22 3-3 19, Sampson 1-2 0-0 2, Sparrow 6-13 2-2 14, Mays 11-18 12-17 36, Carr 5-12 1-1 11, Causwell 0-0 0- 0 0, Calloway 0-1 1-2 1, Bonner 2-2 1-2 5. Totals 40-97 30-38 112.

Denver	30	34	29	35-128
Sacramento	31	34	27	20-112

Three-point goals-Adams 7, Jackson 2, Liberty; Mays 2. Fouled out-Carr. Total fouls-Denver 28, Sacramento 26. Rebounds-Denver 51 (Rasmussen 12), Sacramento 52 (Simmons 15). Assists- Denver 33 (Adams 10), Sacramento 26 (Sparrow, Mays 7). Technicals-None. A- 17,014.

LA LAKERS (108)

Perkins 7-8 3-3 17, Worthy 14-21 2-2 31, Divac 1-2 6-8 8, Scott 7-15 0-0 14, Johnson 6-16, 5-5 19, Green 5-7 4-4 15, Thompson 1-2 0-0 2, Drew 1-2 0-0 2, Teagle 0-4 0-0 0. Totals 42-77 20-22 108.

LA CLIPPERS (99)

Norman 10-19 1-2 21, Manning 9-17 0-0 18, C. Smith 9-16 2-3 20, Grant 7-17 0-0 14, Martin 0-2 0-0 0, Garland 1-4 1-2 3, Benjamin 4-9 1-2 9, Vaught 2-5 1-1 5, Kimble 4-10 0-0 9. Totals 46- 99 6-10 99.

LA Lakers	31	22	32	23-108	LA Clippers	23	23	26	27- 99

Three-point goals-Johnson 2, Green, Worthy; Kimble. Fouled out-None. Total fouls-LA Lakers 14, LA Clippers 20. Rebounds-LA Lakers 39 (Green 16), LA Clippers 45 (Smith 11). Assists-LA Lakers 27 (Johnson 13), LA Clippers 29 (Grant 10). Technicals-None. A-15,350.

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#90361u0203 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (DEC. 27) UPI - President Roh Tae-woo named a new prime minister and a new presidential chief of staff in a major overhaul of his government Thursday.

Roh retained his defense and home affairs ministers as well as most cabinet members in charge of economic affairs in the shakeup, which his spokesman said was aimed at more efficient implementation of government policies.

Named to head the 26-member cabinet was Ro Jai-bong, 54, who had been the presidential chief of staff since March. A former college professor, Ro first joined government service in 1988 as a special assistant to the president for political affairs.

Ro, the presidential chief of staff, replaced Kang Young-hoon who asked the leave the prime minister's post, which he has held since December 1988.

''I respect President Roh for placing trust in me despite my lack of experience,'' Ro said. ''Personally this is a great honor. It is significant, I think, that a presidential chief of staff became the prime minister for the first time in our history.''

Presidential spokesman Lee Soo-jung said ''the cabinet overhaul aims at actively coping with the internal and external situations and pushing government policies efficiently and vigorously.''

Park Hee-tae, spokesman for the ruling Democratic Liberal Party, welcomed the changes. ''We think this is a best cabinet lineup to implement President Roh's ruling philosophy as he enters the second half of his (five-year) term of office,'' Park said.

The opposition Party for Peace and Democracy led by Kim Dae Jung said through a spokesman the reshuffling was disappointing. ''It is not likely to help democracy because many of the new appointees are personalities with a cold war philosopy.''

Deputy Premier for Economic Planning Minister Lee Seung-yoon was retained in the shakeup along with Defense Minister Lee Jong-koo and Home Minister Ahn Eung-mo.

Choi Ho-joong was promoted from the foreign minister's post to be the deputy premier, unification minister. Lee Sang-ock, ambassador to Switzerland, was ordered to head the foreign ministry succedding Choi.

Appointed presidential chief of staff succeeding Ro Jai-bong was Chung Hae-chang, 53, a former justice minister.

Political analysts said the new prime minister fully understands President Roh and therefore the cabinet will follow Roh's wishes more closely. They, however said Ro Jai-bong's capabilities as the head of the cabinet have yet to be tested.

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#90361u0206 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
JAKARTA, INDONESIA (DEC. 27) UPI - Two elephant trainers from Thailand were called in to drive away rampaging elephants angry with people encroaching on their habitat in northern Suamtra, the Kompas newspaper said Thursday.

The operation by a team of 15 people - including two Thai elephant trainers - is underway in North Aceh district, where a herd of 16 elephants destroyed more than 49 acres of palm oil trees this month, an official said told Kompas.

Andi Basrul, head of an elephant school in the province, said that ''should efforts to push away (the elephants) become fruitless, the elephants would be rounded up and sent into an elephant training center in Lhokseumawe.''

Sumatra, 140 miles west of Jakarta, is home to an estimated 3,000 to 4,800 wild elephants, but due to their limited habitat, the elephants go into plantations and resettlement centers, causing widespread crop damage.

An official said Sumatra's jungle only has the potential to provide for some 1,500 wild elephants.

Elephant stampedes occur regularly in Sumatra because the animals have been left with less and less space and food as land is developed, the official said.

Indonesia's policy of moving millions of people from crowded parts of Java to Sumatra to relieve population pressures has encroached on traditional elephant habitats.

At least four people have been killed by rampaging elephants in Sumatra this year.

-30- 1605
#90361u0207 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
TOKYO (DEC. 27) UPI - Politician Toshiyuki Inamura was charged Thursday with massive tax evasion, a day after he resigned from the ruling Liberal Democratic party amid allegations of financial improprieties, news reports said.

The Tokyo Regional Tax Bureau reportedly charged Inamura, a former Cabinet member, with failing to pay $12.5 million in taxes on profits of nearly $21 million he made from secret stock and property transactions.

Officials of the bureau refused to confirm or comment on the case.

Inamura faces tax penalties of up to $23.5 million, the news reports said.

The tax office passed along its charges to the public prosecutor's office,

which is reportedly considering a criminal indictment.

Prosecutors questioned Inamura last week and searched his property.

Inamura allegedly made a fortune through his dealings with Mitsuhiro Kotani, a wealthy speculator now facing charges of stock manipulation.

A former chief of Japan's Environment Agency, Inamura became the first major politician to become embroiled in scandal this year.

The Liberal Democratic Party has been struggling to clean up its image since the Recruit stock scandal tarnished virtually the entire party leadership and forced the resignation of Prime Minister Noboru Takeshita in June 1989.

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#90361u0208 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA (DEC. 27) UPI - Police said Thursday 53 students including nine who are serving military duty have been arrested for leftist activity and 30 others are being sought.

A police spokesman said the youths were members of an underground organization called the National Students Alliance for Democracy formed on Nov. 3. Police did not say when the students were arrested.

The group staged more than 30 violent demonstrations and set fire to public offices on 10 occasions, according to the spokesman. The students were charged with forming a pro-communist organization in violation of the National Security Law, the spokesman said.

Police have seized nearly 4,000 pieces of evidence including communist booklets, gas guns, pagers, word processors, computer diskettes and placards, the spokesman said.

More than 900 students are believed to be affiliated with the organization and an investigation continues into the case, the spokesman added.

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#90361u0229 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) UPI - A record cold spell in California has destroyed food crops and fields of marigolds. The Midwest got stinging temperatures too. Wind chill factors were as low as minus 30 degrees.

A federal judge in Fort Worth, Texas, has ordered American Airlines pilots to end a ''sickout.'' 11 percent of American's pilots called in sick Wednesday. Negotiations on a new contract have been going on for 14 months.

The Census Bureau says the 1990 census shows 249-Millionthousand people lived in the United States. This was a 10-point-two percent increase in the last decade.

A federal jury in Los Angeles has convicted four men of laundering 350-Million dollars in drug profits through jewelry firms. The jurors were unable to agree on a fifth defendant.

Senior Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping has made his first public appearance in five months, ending speculation he had NOT recovered from a serious illness. The 86-year-old Deng appeared at a polling place in Beijing to cast his ballot.

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#90361u0235 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

RANGOON, BURMA (DEC. 27) UPI - The election commission said Wednesday it has struck off the names of eight deputies from the list of elected parliamentary representatives because they set up a parallel government at a jungle hideout and established links with rebel groups.

The deputies have violated the elections law and thereby forfeited their right to continue as parliamentary representatives, the commission said in its announcement.

Of the eight, six belong to the National League for Democracy - the main opposition party, which captured 392 of 485 seats contested in the May 27 multiparty elections.

Of the remaining two, one is chairman of the Party For National Democracy and the other is an independent.

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#90361u0250 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) UPI - U.S. officials are studying a detailed analysis of the Soviet Union that confirms what any Moscow shopper or visitor suspected: The Soviet economy is a basket-case and President Mikhail Gorbachev's perestroika reforms have so far succeeded only in making the problem worse.

The report suggests that outside help may not be possible or effective.

The summary of a six-month study by the International Monetary Fund, which will be released in full in early January, will be an important element in decisions now being made within the U.S. government and the other six leading industrial nations.

Those decisions revolve around how - and if - the West can help the Soviet government survive long enough to incorporate far-reaching economic reforms.

Given the description of the disastrous state of the Soviet economy, the IMF report to the seven nations attending the annual economic summits is not encouraging.

The exhaustive report says that the Soviet Union was saved from earlier collapse only because of the dramatic increase in world oil prices in the 1970s. The Soviet Union is the world's second largest oil exporter, following Saudi Arabia.

But, the report says, in the current situation, with oil prices again going through the roof, Soviet oil and gas production and exports are actually falling because of a breakdown in the production facilities, pipelines and transportation system.

Thus, the Soviet Union cannot take advantage of the current price bubble.

The report says the Gorbachev reforms sometimes had a negative effect because they were introduced in piecemeal fashion, thus introducing the factors of confusion and inconsistency.

As a result of the partial reforms, according to the report, inflation and unemployment began to creep into the Soviet economy. The report puts the current annual rate of inflation at about 12 percent and unemployment at about 1.5 percent.

One result is that the Soviet economy is now partly a primitive barter system where consumers trade potatoes for shoes. Also, black- market U.S. dollars and packs of cigarettes have become important units of currency.

Should consumer goods become more easily available, the report says, that would probably increase inflation since there is now a huge amount of personal savings - estimated at 250 billion rubles - which remain unspent because there is nothing in the stores to buy.

The IMF report confirms an earlier analysis by the CIA that said the Soviet national railroad system is close to a complete breakdown and that the agricultural industry, despite a good harvest year, was a serious drag on the economy because of storage and distribution problems.

Despite Gorbachev's intention of cutting back on defense spending and the size of the army, the IMF report says that the military burden on the economy remains significant, possibly as high as 18 percent of the GNP. The equivalent figure for the United States would be about 7 percent.

The IMF report says, ''The traditional centrally planned system has largely collapsed but has not been replaced by a functioning market system.''

In its recommendations for how the outside world can help the Gorbachev experiment, the IMF report urges caution.

Until there is a firm legal underpinning for private property and a basis for a market economy, the report says, there is no assurance that economic reform would even get started. But those legal reforms can't be put into place until the political turmoil, involving rival ethnic and national interests, are settled, and there has been so sign that those difficulties will disappear.

The IMF recommends a new system of taxation, in the short run, a sharp reduction of price subsidies and cutting expenditures on excess state enterprises and the military budget.

But those reforms, if instituted, would probably put Gorbachev in conflict with some of his conservative allies in the Soviet political system. That was one reason, according to U.S. officials, for the dramatic resignation last week of Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, who warned of an approaching dictatorship.

Shevardnadze, who had been outspoken in his support for liberalization of the economy, had been under heavy attack from those conservatives, including those in the military services.

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#90361u0257 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

KATMANDU, NEPAL (DEC. 27) UPI - Two American climbers have scaled the 22,349-foot Himalayan peak of Ama Dablan, the Ministry of Tourism said Thursday.

Expedition leader Christopher Warner, 26, a mountaineering instructor from Elicott City, N.Y., and Glenn Gunmire, 29, a mountain guide from Estes Park, Colo., reached the summit of Ama Dablam on Dec. 21.

The pair covered the final stage of their climb from their last camp in just two hours, following a route up the west face of the peak, the ministry said.

Warner and Gunmire became the second American team to scale Ama Dablam this winter.

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#90361u0277 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) UPI - Around the world... around the clock... the latest news from U-P-I.

Two senior officials in the Bush administration say the president is NOT likely to listen too well when his military leaders say their troops WON'T be ready for war by January 15th. The two officials told the New York Times Bush

WON'T be influenced by those reports if he decides military action should be used to rout Iraq's soldiers from Kuwait.

Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu has sent a letter to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein... calling on him to withdraw his forces from Kuwait. Japan's Foreign Ministry says Japan's ambassador to Baghdad handed the letter to Iraq's deputy premier yesterday.

American Airlines pilots are under a court order to get healthy. A federal judge in Fort Worth has ordered American Airlines pilots to return to work. 11 percent of the pilots called in sick yesterday... apparently to protest stalled contract negotiations that began 14 months ago.

Officials in the District of Columbia say an UNusually large number of ambulance crew members called in sick on Christmas. Officials say a lot of sick calls are NOT unusual on major holidays. But the calls burden the fire department, which used off-duty firefighters to fill in.

South Korea has a new prime minister... Ro Jai-bong. President Roh Tae-woo appointed 11 new cabinet members including the prime minister today in a major reorganization of his administration. The prime minister has been the presidential chief of staff for nearly a year.

The Soviet legislature plans to vote today on the Soviet Union's first vice president. Mikhail Gorbachev nominated a career Communist official... Gennady Yanayev. NO one else was nominated. Yanayev will get the job unless more than half the deputies vote against him.

A bus jumped a curb in Manhattan yesterday... and crashed into scaffolding on the sidewalk. Then the scaffolding fell onto the bus. Police say nine people were hurt- including the bus driver. Eight people were taken to hospitals, and one was treated by an ambulance crew.

The people who decorate floats for the Rose Parade in Pasadena, California, are scouting around for orange flowers. California's record- breaking cold ruined fields of marigolds. But even if the weather is normal, flowers used on the floats are flown in from around the world.

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#90361u0311 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW DELHI, INDIA (DEC. 27) UPI - Parliament opened its winter session Thursday with debate over whether the Congress (I) Party of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi could lead the opposition while propping up the current government.

Gandhi's party supported Prime Minister Chandra Shekhar during a vote of confidence last month, allowing him to form a new government and avoid a

mid-term election that Congress (I) feared it would lose.

Debate on the opposition issue came during a stormy opening session of the lower house, with supporters of recently toppled Prime Minister V.P. Singh staging a shouting match and sit-down strike challenging the legitimacy of Shekhar's government.

Both Singh and Shekhar belonged to the Janata Dal Party, which split following the collapse of the Singh government in November. The formation of the Shekhar government with the aid of the Congress (I) drove a bitter wedge between the two Janata factions.

Dinesh Singh, a senior Congress (I) leader in the Lok Sabha, or lower house, insisted that while his party would continue to support the Shekhar administration on some issues, ''we are not an appendage of the government.''

Members of Gandhi's Congress (I) also contend they deserve to lead the opposition because they comprise largest opposition party in Parliament. Congress (I) has so far overcome challenges to remain leader of the opposition in the Raj Sabha, or upper house.

But L.K. Advani, whose Hindu-backed Bharatiya Janata Party brought down the Singh government, said his organization never claimed to be in opposition while propping up the previous administration.

''The Congress (I) wants to have the cake and eat it too,'' said Advani, who assumed the mantle of opposition leader in the lower house.

The strike in the well of the Lok Sabha was joined by Communist lawmakers noisily protesting on another issue and prompted house Speaker Rabi Ray to adjourn the session for 15 minutes so order could be restored.

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#90361u0466 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 27) UPI - A U-S army intelligence officer says more Iraqi men and equipment are being sent to Kuwait. He says Iraq is too involved in Kuwait to be out by the U-N deadline for withdrawal... January 15th.

Federal officials say they will wait for lab tests before deciding whether a body exhumed in Chicago is that of Helen Vorhees Brach, a missing heiress who disappeared in 1977. But a medical examiner says the remains are NOT Brach.

Cattle raisers are hopeful for 1991. The National Cattlemen's Association says demand and exports for beef are growing. It predicts 1991 production and prices will be as great or greater than this year's.

Representatives of T-W-A and Pan Am are questioning the other's intentions in

negotiations to merge the two airlines. Prospects for the merger apparently are dimming.

South Korean police have arrested 53 students for leftist activity. A spokesman says they belonged to an underground group that staged violent demonstrations.

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#90361u0477 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) UPI - Durable goods orders dropped 10.5 percent, or $13.5 billion, in November, matching a 32-year record decline set earlier this year in January, the Commerce Department said Thursday.

Orders for durable goods, those big-ticket items designed to last three or more years, totaled $115.9 billion last month, the lowest level since $115.3 billion in May 1988.

Durable goods orders totaled $129.5 billion in October, the high for the year.

The government said declines in orders were widespread throughout most major industry sectors. The largest decrease was in transportation equipment, which fell 27.4 percent - or $10.3 billion - to $27.4 billion.

Orders for aircraft and parts dropped 38.8 percent and more than offset a 20.4 percent increase in October.

The remainder of the decline was concentrated in the volatile motor vehicles and parts industries.

Orders for primary metals dropped 9.8 percent, or $1.2 billion, to $10.8 billion, the largest one-month decline since a 14.1 percent drop in January 1988.

Electrical machinery orders declined 7.6 percent, or $1.5 billion, to $18.4 billion, the lowest level since March 1989.

Shipments of durable goods declined 3.6 percent, or $4.5 billion, to $121.7 billion, the lowest monthly volume since last January.

Most of the decline was concentrated in transportation equipment, which dropped 10.6 percent, or $3.5 billion, to $29.6 billion. Nearly all of this decline was in shipments of motor vehicles and parts.

Shipments of primary metals slipped 4.1 percent - or $500 million - to $11.2 billion. Small increases were posted in shipments of electrical and non-electrical shipments.

Unfilled orders for durable goods dropped 1.1 percent, or $5.7 billion, to $497.5 billion, the largest monthly decline in more than five years. Transportation and electrical machinery accounted for more than 75 percent of the decline.

Orders for non-defense related capital goods fell 16.4 percent - or $6.8 billion - to $34.8 billion. Most of this decrease came from commercial aircraft and parts orders. Excluding aircraft, the decline was 6 percent.

Shipments of non-defense goods slipped 1.3 percent - or $500 million - to $36.1 billion.

New orders for defense-related goods dropped 24.5 percent - or $1.8 billion - to $5.4 billion. Shipments of defense goods increased 4.6 percent - or $400 million - to $9.2 billion.

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(DEC. 27) UPI - U.S.A. WEATHER:

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque sy	37	15	....
Anchorage sy	15	05	....
Asheville r	35	34	....
Atlanta r	42	38	....
Baltimore sn	33	30	....
Billings w	36	05	....
Birmingham r	50	47	.03
Bismarck cy	29	09	....
Boston mc	29	25	....
Brownsville cy	62	58	.01
Buffalo pc	24	20	....
Burlington Vt. pc	18	09	....
Charleston S.C. cy	55	48	....
Charlotte r	40	36	....
Chicago cy	24	20	....
Cincinnati sn	34	33	....
Cleveland sn	25	25	....
Columbus Ohio sn	30	29	....
Dallas r	42	37	.35
Denver sy	45	22	....
Des Moines sy	28	21	....
Detroit pc	23	20	....
Duluth cy	18	16	....
El Paso pc	54	30	....
Evansville sn	31	31	....
Fargo cy	21	08	....

Hartford mc	25	21	....
Honolulu pc	79	69	....
Houston cy	52	50	1.23
Indianapolis sn	26	25	....
Jackson Miss. r	55	53	....
Kansas City cy	30	25	....
Las Vegas sy	51	28	....
Little Rock r	38	35	.53
Los Angeles sy	68	48	....
Louisville sn	35	35	....
Memphis r	43	40	.82
Miami Beach pc	81	72	.05
Milwaukee pc	27	27	....
Minneapolis cy	23	19	.02
Nashville r	42	40	.26
New Orleans pc	69	58	....
New York mc	29	26	....
Oklahoma City sn	40	28	.02
Omaha sy	30	18	....
Orlando pc	80	64	....
Philadelphia cy	32	28	....
Phoenix sy	58	35	....
Pittsburgh sn	28	26	....
Portland Me. pc	23	13	....
Portland Ore. sh	45	32	.06
Providence mc	29	23	....
Richmond sn	35	32	....
St. Louis sn	32	30	....
Salt Lake City mc	25	17	.02
San Antonio cy	50	45	.06
San Diego sy	68	45	....
San Francisco sy	56	43	....
San Juan pc	84	72	.21
Seattle r	44	30	.02
Spokane sn	30	16	....
Tampa pc	80	65	....
Washington sn	34	31	....
Wichita pc	33	20	....

c-clear
cl-clearing
cy-cloudy
f-fair
fy-foggy
hz-haze
m-missing
mc-mostly cloudy
pc-partly cloudy

r-rain
sh-showers
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
n-snow
sy-sunny
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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#90361u0521 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) UPI - Stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange posted slight gains Thursday on a seesaw battle between institutional buying and a combination of profit taking and margin selling.

The blue-chip Nikkei Average of 225 selected stocks, which gained 119.68 points Wednesday, rose 53.14 points to 23,940.70.

The broader-based Tokyo Stock Exchange Price Index of all major shares gained 10.74 points to 1,740.55 as broad buying carried most sectors higher.

Advances outpaced declines 599 to 345, while 153 issues remained unchanged.

Trading quickened from Wednesday's negligible pace of 220 million shares, but remained low at an estimated 330 million shares.

Analysts said new investment trusts with a cache of funds estimated at $3.7 billion started to enter the market this week.

Institutional purchases drove the Nikkei up 375 points by midday. But profit taking and margin selling battered the index down to only a very modest gain, market watchers said.

Most of the funds are earmarked for entry into the market in the new year, said Brian Tobin of S.G. Warburg Securities.

But a considerable amount of margin selling remains in the offing, the analyst said.

Despite Thursday's advance, market watchers viewed the low volume as evidence the market's energy has fizzled for the year.

With only a half-day session Friday left in the trading year, prospects for a real rally are considered slim.

''I expect the year to end with a thud,'' Tobin said.

The bond market continued to advance on expectations of easier money in the new year, boosting banking stocks as well.

Fuji Bank and Industrial Bank of Japan both ended higher.

Marine transport and oil stocks weakened.

Elsewhere in Asia, stock prices closed higher in light trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as many investors waited for the new year.

The benchmark Hang Seng Index inched up 5.76 points to close at 3, 066.71. The gain follows Monday's 18-point loss.

Markets in Hong Kong were closed Wednesday and Thursday for the holidays.

Among the narrower indexes, financials eased 14.63 points, utilities gained 35.75, properties climbed 34.11 and industrials shed 7.95 points.

Turnover was an extremely thin 341 million shares.

Analysts said they expected the market to continue crawling as investors wait for fresh news from the Persian Gulf.

Veit Schuhen of Hypobank said, ''It's pretty quiet, now, but if something substantial happens in the Middle East, the action will pick up very quickly.''

In Singapore, stock prices firmed in light trading on the Singapore Stock Exchange on reports U.S. Secretary of State James Baker is due in Baghdad Jan. 9 for talks aimed at averting war in the Gulf.

The Straits Times Industrial Index rose 5.65 points to 1,160.54. The broader-based All Singapore Index rose 2.61 points to 321.60.

Turnover amounted to 17.5 million shares, compared with 17.6 million Wednesday.

Analysts said the market was expected to drift sideways for the rest of the holiday shortened week.

Prices rose on an account in a Jerusalem newspaper that Baker will meet with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for last-ditch talks Jan. 9 although the U.S. State Department has denied the report.

Gains in Tokyo's and Hong Kong also bolstered prices, analysts said.

On the trading floor, Hotel Malaysia paced the advancing issues followed by Central Properties and Hong Leong Credit.

Uniphone led the declining stocks followed by Metro Holdings and Shell.

Elsewhere around the region, in Bangkok, stock prices closed slightly higher in thin trading on the Thailand Stock Exchange.

The Securities Exchange of Thailand Index rose 2.93 points to 603.81.

Volume remained light at an estimated 60 million Thai shares, almost unchanged from Wednesday.

''Investors are still waiting for the development in the Middle East crisis,'' a broker from Phatra Thanakit Co., Ltd. said.

In Australia, stock prices closed higher in light trading on the Sydney Sharemarket as bargain hunters and small investors helped push prices higher.

The All Ordinaries Index gained 10.0 points to 1,280.7 while the All Industrial index rose 16.4 points to 1,931.3 and the All Resources Index gained 4.6 points to 763.4.

Turnover amounted to 60.6 million shares but analysts noted the total was distorted by heavy options related to Westpac Bank.

Analysts said trading was dominated by ''mums-and-dads bargain hunting'' in high yielding banks and selected blue chips.

Institutions were absent because most had taken an extended Christmas-New Years Eve break.

In the banking sector, ANZ Bank rose 8 cents to $3.40, NAB Bank added 4 cents to $5.12.

Westpac Bank, whose December option contract expired after going ex- dividend last Monday, rose 2 cents to $3.37 on turnover, option holders taking up their shares, of 25 million shares.

Elsewhere, News Corp. rose 13 cents to $5.08.

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LONDON (DEC. 27) UPI - Stock prices were slightly higher in thin trading at midday Thursday on the London International Stock Exchange.

The blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which eased 8.1 points Monday in holiday-shortened trading, was up 8.5 points to 2,164.8. The narrower top 30 industrial average was up 6.8 points to 1,685.7.

Volume amounted to around 88 million shares.

Analysts said stocks drifted slightly higher in thin trading, reflecting an absence of news and market participants.

Market watchers said local investors took their initial lead from the Wall Street, where the Dow Jones Average gained 15.84 points Wednesday.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Glaxo Holdings gained 18 cents to $16.30, British Aerospace eased 5 cents to $9.95.

Among some international issues, Imperial Chemical Industries slipped 2 cents to $16.68, Barclays Bank added 3 cents to $6.85 and British Petroleum slipped 1 cent to $10.22.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices closed lower in thin holiday trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 5.62 points last Friday, slipped 4.01 points to 1,410.87.

Traders said many participants remained on holiday as most institutional investors have already closed their books for the year.

The exchange, which was closed Monday through Wednesday for the Christmas holidays, will also be closed Monday and Tuesday next week.

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JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (DEC. 27) UPI - Police, alarmed by a holiday wave of violence that left at least 22 dead and hundreds injured, announced plans Thursday to launch South Africa's most sweeping anti-crime campaign in years.

''We've just reached the end of our tether, a senior police official ''

Officers declined to detail their anti-crime effort, saying the crackdown was still under discussion by Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok and his generals.

''It will address the whole spectrum of crime, every angle, every possibility, every facet,'' Law and Order Ministry spokesman Capt. Craig Kotze said. ''This will be the biggest anti-crime drive in years.''

Police were particularly concerned over the proliferation of assault rifles among criminals, Kotze said. Security analysts said they believe the weapons are smuggled into the country, most of them purchased from rebel forces in neighboring Mozambique.

The senior police official also expressed fears that law enforcement officers were increasingly becoming targets of violence. At least seven policemen were attacked and wounded with guns or knives since the beginning of the holiday season on Monday.

''Everyone's become a target. ... It's got to end,'' he said.

Police said violent crime tends to peak every December, but this year's surge coincides with increased factional fighting in black townships that has claimed 3,000 lives this year.

Military and police forces already are thinly stretched in the townships, and authorities fear the recent crime wave could exacerbate political tensions.

''The last thing the forces on the ground need is a fresh outburst of common crime to top that all,'' security consultant Mark McGregor said.

Since Monday, hospitals reported treating more than 430 assault victims in the Cape Province, some 200 in Natal and more than 150 in the Orange Free State and Transvaal provinces.

At least 22 murders were reported in the same period, including 16 people in various black townships, four inner-city residents, and a couple slain at their home in a posh suburb of Pretoria Wednesday, police spokesman said.

The death of the couple, personal friends of Vlok, prompted him to express his ''shock'' at the nationwide violence.

''We will examine this violence in depth and possible solutions,'' he said Wednesday.

Independent crime monitors have calculated that every person in South Africa is assaulted or robbed at least once in the nation's major cities.

Many psychologists have said they believe the country's 42-year-old system of white-minority rule, racial segregation and the resulting racial conflict have bred unnatural aggression, leading to heightened crime.

But the country's ailing economy and a flood of rural residents to urban areas also has been associated with increased crime.

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MILWAUKEE (DEC. 27) UPI - Two elderly brothers have again proven that they will go to great lengths to protect their jewelry store.

Police said two 20-year-old men tried to rob George and Roy Becker's jewelry

store Wednesday and hit Roy, 64, on the head with a tire iron and tried to steal items from a display case. That's when George, 70, opened fire with a double-barreled shotgun, wounding one of the bandits in the face, chest and neck. Both suspects were later arrested.

''I think they just wanted the easy money and don't want to work for it,'' said Roy, who is a World War II veteran like his brother. ''We'll give them right back what they give everybody else.'' They hit him (Roy) ''

Roy Becker had to have 12 stitches in his head.

''We always protect ourselves,'' Roy said. ''The law says you can protect yourself and your property. That's what we fought for in World War II.''

The Beckers have run the jewelry store since 1947 when they returned from the war and it is the second shooting incident they have been involved in. The first was in 1968 when two suspects hit Roy in the head and both brothers retaliated with guns, wounding one of the suspects.

''That one was a shootout,'' George said. ''It's worse when somebody's shooting at you.''

The Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office Thursday will review the latest shooting and the case against the two robbery suspects, who were arrested in an apartment building after an ambulance was called there.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) UPI - Although Christmas is over, there are only four shopping days left for connoisseurs of expensive cars and luxury furs, as well as for devotees of booze and beer.

On Tuesday, Jan. 1, a set of new excise taxes, enacted as part of the budget agreement last fall, go into effect with a sting that will be felt by Joe Sixpack as well as the jet set.

And many merchants, using newspapers, radio and television, are letting the public know that prices are going up, up and up.

Signs on liquor store windows scream out ''Prices Go Up Jan. 1, Buy Now'' and a Cadillac ad blares ''Beat the Luxury Tax - you have until Dec. 31, 1990, to save thousands.''

The fancier liquor store owners report the well-to-do stocking up on some of the high-priced items, such as expensive wines and liquers, but few report a run on everyday beer.

High-priced car dealers report a jump in sales in the last couple of months but aren't that sure it can be attributed to the new tax.

''There is some of this tax thing but not as much as you might think, '' Mike Krichiro, a sales representative at Jim Coleman Cadillac in suburban Maryland said. He attributed more to a Cadillac program under which a person trading in a 1985-86-87 model gets a $4,000 rebate.

Stephen Smythe, executive vice president of Euro Motors in Bethesda, Md., which sells Mercedes-Benz that range in price from $28,000 to $90, 000, said that initially there was no response to the prospect of an increased tax.

But Smythe said, ''Since November, we've enjoyed a little bit of an increase '' adding that sales are running about 20 percent above the comparable period in 1989.

Two of the taxes, the gasoline tax and the aviation tax, went into effect Dec. 1.

The fuels tax is 5 cents a gallon, raising the federal gasoline tax to 14 cents a gallon and the diesel fuel to 20 cents a gallon. The aviation tax increases the tax on a ticket from 8 percent to 10 percent.

The taxes that go into effect Jan. 1 are on alcoholic beverages, tobacco, gas guzzlers, telephones and luxury items.

The luxury tax imposes a 10 percent surtax on the portion of the retail price above $30,000 for cars, $100,000 for boats and yachts, $250,000 for private planes and $10,000 for jewelry and furs.

As an example, on a car that retails for $50,000, the surtax is 10 percent of $20,000 or $2,000.

Boats and cars used exclusively in business are generally exempt and planes used at least 80 percent of the time in trade or business are not covered by the surtax.

The tax on alcoholic beverages covers beer, table wine and hard liquors.

The tax on a six-pack of beer will increase from 16 cents to 32 cents and the tax on wines and liquors will climb with the alcoholic content.

On wine, the increase ranges from 17 cents a gallon, up to $1.07, for a wine with an alcoholic content of 14 percent to an increase of 90 cents a gallon, up to $3.15, for wines with 24 percent alcoholic content.

The tax on liquor is increased from $12.50 per proof gallon to $13.50 per

proof gallon. For example, a 1.7 liter bottle of 80 proof liquor will have an added tax of 37 cents.

The tobacco tax will go up by 25 percent this Jan. 1 and by the same dollar amount Jan. 1, 1993. The tax on a pack of small cigarettes will go from 16 to 20 cents in January and to 24 cents in 1993.

As of Jan. 1, the tax on gas guzzlers doubles. The tax begins at $1, 000 for cars that do not meet the 22.5 miles-per-gallon standard set in law and rises to $7,700 for vehicles that get less than 12.5 miles per gallon.

The 3 percent tax, due to expire, was permanently extended.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Opening of trading at the New York Stock Exchange and American Stock Exchange was delayed Thursday due to a transformer fire outside the building containing key computer systems for both exchanges, officials said.

A transformer exploded about 12:44 a.m. EST beneath the sidewalk outside 55 Water St. in the financial district, shooting flames about eight stories into the air, breaking windows and possibly spewing dangerous PCBs around the area, Fire Department officials said.

Officials said a possible 40 people were exposed to PCBs.

The start of trading at the NYSE was expected to be delayed at least a few hours after Securities Industry Automation Corp. personnel were allowed back into the building, a NYSE statement said.

American Stock Exchange spokesman Bob Shabazian said, ''We're subject to an opening delay, but don't know for how long.''

Both the NYSE and the Amex usually open trading at 9:30 a.m. EST.

The National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System, or NASDAQ, was expected to begin trading at 9:30 a.m. as usual, a NASD spokeman said.

However, the Securities and Exchange Commission asked all outside stock exchanges to delay opening until SIAC computers are back in service.

An SEC spokesman said the agency asked for the delay to assure that all ''market participants have access to the same information.''

A NYSE spokeswoman said she expected the Big Board to ''begin trading by noon

EST or sooner, if possible.''

Michael Metz, an analyst at Oppenheimer & Co., said the indefinite delay would not have any significant effect on the market other than that ''intraday trading is eliminated, the people who were just trying to scalp eighths and quarters (of a point).

''The serious investors who have things to do will be in there,'' he said. ''But the stock exchange is fortunate in that this has happened when interest is at an all-time low,'' said Metz, referring to the extremely light trading during the holiday week. Wednesday's session was the second-lightest full session of the year.

The Boston Stock Exchange said it will delay trading until the primary exchanges on which trades are listed - the NYSE and Amex - begin operations, a spokesman for the exchange said.

The Cincinnati Stock Exchange also said it would delay trading until the NYSE opens.

Linda Hopwood, a spokeswoman for the Kansas City Board of Trade said ''trading will be delayed on Kansas City Board of Trade's Value Line and Mini-Value Line Futures contracts because of (the) fire.''

Representatives of the Midwest Stock Exchange had said they planned to open for trading at the usual 9:30 a.m. EST.

Fire leaped eight stories high when the transformer exploded about 12:44 a.m. in front of the Water St. office tower, said Lt. Jim Powell, a Fire Department spokesman.

''One transformer exploded in the street,'' Powell said. ''The flames shot up eight stories on the southside of the building.''

Windows on the fifth, sixth and seventh floors were blown out and also caused a small fire on the sixth floor, he said.

Thirty firefighters battling were possibly exposed to PCBs. Four were sent to hospitals for treated and the others were treated at the scene, Powell said.

In addition, 14 other people were believed to have been exposed to the cancer-causing chemical and were being decontaminated, he said.

''We are concerned about possible PCB contamination,'' he said. ''We have 26 firefighters being decontaminated.''

The explosion forced officials to close the building, which houses offices for Shearson Lehman Hutton Inc., Chemical Bank and other financial firms, as well

as surrounding streets, affecting pedestrians and traffic throughout the financial district.

''The (city) Department of Environmental Protection is on the scene and has isolated the area, the building and the street around it,'' Powell said.

Officials were checking the building to see if it is safe.

''We cannot allow people into the area due to possible PCB contamination. This is going to have a direct affect on the financial district and banking,'' Powell said.

PCBs, the chemicals manufactured to insulate high-voltage transformers, are classified among the deadliest manmade substances on the planet. Laboratory tests on animals show PCBs can harm reproduction and growth and can cause skin lesions and tumors.

When PCBs burn, they create even more deadly materials, including dioxin, once described by the Environmental Protection Agency as ''the most toxic chemical known to man.''

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MIAMI (DEC. 27) UPI - Getting deposed Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega to and from the federal courthouse from his jail cell 24 miles away has cost taxpayers $363,694 since January when he arrived in south Florida from Panama.

U.S. Marshal Service officials attributed the high tab to the ''extraordinary costs of security details'' needed to safely move Noriega from his suite at the Metropolitan Correctional Center to the downtown U.S. District courthouse.

The $363,000 plus transportation bill, which was obtained by The Miami Herald through a Freedom of Information Act request, included the cost of Noriega's removal from Panama to Homestead Air Force Base aboard a C-130 military airplane.

The Marshal's Service also employed decoy vehicles and other ''special operations'' when it moved the general from Homestead to a basement cell in the courthouse where he was held until an MCC cell could be prepared for him.

The transportation figure does not include the expense of housing, feeding or clothing the former dictator, who was brought to Florida to stand trial on drug-trafficking and money-laundering charges after the December 1989 U.S. invasion of Panama.

Steve Boyle, chief of congressional and public affairs for the Marshal's Service in Washington, refused to release the exact cost of each trip to the

courthouse, saying, ''We don't want to give any one the basis to calculate the level of security he gets.''

''It's not cheap, but it's not unique,'' Boyle said. ''In situations where there's high potential for media interest or security concerns, the costs are quite extraordinary.''

Despite the numerous legal skirmishes triggered by his prosecution, Noriega has only appeared in court on five occasions since Jan. 3.

The last time Noriega was present at a hearing he made an impassioned plea for a fair trial to U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler in an effort to help his attorneys obtain money from frozen European bank accounts to finance his defense.

Boyle noted that the Marshal's Service has run up similar costs in other high-profile cases, such as the prosecution of Medellin Cartel drug kingpin Carlos Lehder Rivas, who was tried in Jacksonville and is now serving a life sentence.

Shuttling Lehder about Jacksonville ''exceeded $1 million'' Boyle said.

The amount spent to date on moving Noriega about is equivalent to the cost of five BMW 750ils or three bullet-proof vehicles outfitted with mounted rifles and pistols.

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(DEC. 27) UPI - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein told ambassadors he recalled from Washington and Europe that he is ready for ''serious'' talks with the United States, but Kuwait's exiled foreign minister said Thursday it already was ''too late'' for a peace initiative.

In discussions with his ambassadors, recalled to Baghdad for consultations last week, Saddam again insisted that talks on the Persian Gulf crisis include the Palestinian question, the official Iraqi news agency INA said Thursday.

It was the second time in a week Saddam reportedly called for talks, telling a Spanish television station in an interview that ''dialogue is always able to find solutions among people and make up for the use of arms.''

Meanwhile, thousands of women and children demonstrated outside of the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad to protest the raid Wednesday by U.S. and Australian naval forces of an Iraqi cargo vessel off the coast of Oman.

The ship, the Ibn Khaldoun, was supposed to be carrying medicine to the needy children of Iraq, but a U.S.-led boarding party that inspected the hold after

a scuffle with the crew discovered it was loaded with tons of sugar in violation of U.N.-imposed economic sanctions.

Saddam's latest overture for dialogue was seen by some Mideast diplomats as a new initiative to end the almost 5-month-old crisis and by others as yet another tactic to stall for time.

Iraq faces a U.N.-imposed Jan. 15 deadline to either voluntarily withdraw from Kuwait, which it occupied Aug. 2, or be forced out by multinational troops assembled in the region.

U.S. military officials said Wednesday they believe Iraqi troops are so deeply dug into Kuwait they will not be removed except by force, and an American newspaper reported Thursday that Washington sought the Jan. 15 deadline knowing that U.S. troops in the region may not be prepared to attack by the crucial date.

Iraq has responded to indications the United States is prepared to go to war over Kuwait by stepping up its civil defense programs. While maintaining he would prevail in any armed confrontation, Saddam also has repeated his call for talks.

''Iraq is ready for serious and constructive discussions with the U. S.,'' INA quoted Saddam as telling his ambassadors at a meeting late Wednesday. ''It was the Americans who rejected our call for talks.''

Washington and Baghdad had agreed to hold high-level, face-to-face talks before the Jan. 15 deadline, but the two sides have been unable to agree on dates for the proposed meetings.

Iraq chose Jan. 12 for a meeting in Baghdad between Saddam and Secretary of State James Baker, but Washington rejected the date as falling too close to the deadline, proposing instead that the meeting take place Jan. 3.

Saddam, in the meeting with the ambassadors, accused the United States of ''trying to impose its will on Iraq,'' INA said.

It said the Iraqi president was still interested in holding talks, as long as the Palestinian issue could also be discussed. Saddam has tried repeatedly to link his occupation of Kuwait with the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, but most of the countries allied against him have rejected any such connection.

In China, Kuwait's exiled foreign minister Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed Al Sabah, who accompanied the exiled emir on a visit to Beijing, said new peace initiatives were of ''no use'' and that the only way to avoid a war in the region was for Iraq to withdraw from the tiny, oil-rich emirate.

''Such initiatives, whether they are from the Arab world, a friendly country or even the big powers are already too late and will be of no use,'' he said. He said an armed conflict was ''inevitable'' unless Iraq withdrew from Kuwait.

The emirate's former ruling Al Sabah family, which has set up a government-in-exile in Saudi Arabia, has made clear it wants its rule over Kuwait restored as quickly as possible.

Saddam said in an interview reported by Cairo radio Wednesday that the only way he would allow a member of the Al Sabah family to return to Kuwait was if they were dead and ready to be buried.

The New York Times reported Thursday that President Bush knew when the United Nations voted for the Jan. 15 deadline authorizing the use of force against Iraq that American troops might not be ready by the crucial date.

Two unnamed senior administration sources quoted by the newspaper said the United States is not committed to going to war exactly on Jan. 15, but that it was merely an ''authorization date.''

A senior U.S. defense official said in Saudi Arabia earlier this month that many of the U.S. ground forces would not be ready to launch an offensive by the deadline. The United States plans to deploy over 400,000 troops to the region by mid-January.

In other developments Thursday, Japan's prime minister sent a letter to Saddam urging him to withdraw from the emriate, evoking memories of Japan's devastating defeat at the end of World War II.

And Syria's highest Moslem religious leader, Sheikh Ahmad Kaftaro, told Bush in a letter that he would be responsible for bloodshed if war erupts.

''One day, you will die, and then you will stand before God without air, sea fleets or intercontinental missiles,'' said Kaftaro in a message that he gave to U.S. church representatives in Damascus.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Selected gold, silver and platinum coin prices based on a gold base price of $384.00, silver base of $4.08 and platinum price of $407.40:

	Thursday	Wednesday
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$399.80	400.60
U.S. Eagle .50 troy oz.	205.10	205.50
U.S. Eagle .25 troy oz.	105.30	105.50
U.S. Eagle 1-10 troy oz.	43.50	43.60

Canada Maple Leaf, 1 troy oz.	399.80	400.60
Canada Maple Leaf, .50 troy oz.	205.10	205.50
Canada Maple Leaf .25 troy oz.	105.80	106.00
Canada Maple Leaf 1-10 oz.	43.50	43.60
China Panda, 1 troy oz.	406.30	406.70
China Panda .50 troy oz.	208.30	209.50
China Panda .25 troy oz.	108.60	108.70
China panda 1-10 troy oz.	46.90	46.90
China panda 1-20 troy oz.	28.00	28.00
British Britannia, 1 troy oz.	399.90	400.30
British Britannia, .50 troy oz	204.40	204.60
British Britannia, .25 troy oz.	103.20	103.30
British Britannia, 1-10 troy oz.	44.50	44.50
Australian nugget, 1 troy oz.	398.90	398.40
Australian nugget, .50 troy oz.	206.50	206.20
Australian nugget, .25 troy oz.	106.00	105.00
Australian nugget, 1-10 troy oz.	45.10	45.90
Persian Cat, 1 troy oz.	398.80	398.50
Persian Cat, .50 troy oz.	205.10	204.90
Persian Cat, 1-5 troy oz.	88.00	87.90
Persian Cat, 1-10 troy oz.	N.A.	N.A.
Persian Cat, 1-25 troy oz.	24.20	24.20
N.A. - No Quote.		
Silver		
U.S. Eagle 1 troy oz.	$5.50	$5.49
90 percent silver bags $1,000 face value pre-1965 circulated U.S. coinage:	$3,050	$3,070
40 percent silver bags $1,000 face value 1965-70 John F. Kennedy half dollars:	$1,375	$1,350
Platinum		
Australian Koala	425.00	426.00
Isle of Man Noble	422.00	423.00
Canada Maple Leaf	N.A.	N.A.

These quotes represent wholesale selling prices as quoted by M.T.B. Banking Corp. New York. Retail prices are higher and may vary from dealer to dealer and depending on market conditions.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - The New York Stock Exchange reported Thursday these odd lot transactions by principal dealers through NYSE facilities for Dec. 26: Purchases of 221,405 shares and sales of 424,941 shares including 5,109 shares sold short.

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#90361u0600 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Four people died Thursday in a raging fire that swept through a two-story residence being heated by illegal kerosene heaters in winter's first sub-freezing temperatures.

Some of the dead, who were not immediately identified, were children. Two survivors were taken to hospitals and a firefighter was treated for smoke inhalation, the Fire Department said. Two pregnant women escaped from the building unharmed.

There were no smoke detectors in the house, officials said. Firefighters found three kerosene heaters, which are illegal in New York City, and several cans of kerosene in the house.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Latest metal market prices as quoted Thursday by the American Metal Market, authoritative metals publication:

Aluminum, New York Merchants, 99.7 percent pure ingots 70.25-71.75 c- lb.

Antimony, domestic, refined in alloy, $2.00 lb.

Copper, electrolytic wirebars, delivered U.S. (Warrenton Refining Co.) 117.625-118.00 c-lb.

Lead, common, U.S. primary producers 34.00-45.00 c-lb.; U.S. non- primary (secondary) producers 37.00-45.00 c-lb.

Magnesium, 99.8 percent, ingot 163.00 c-lb.

Manganese, 99.9 percent, boxed regular 91.00-95.00 c-lb.

Mercury, $180.00-$195.00 76-lb. flask.

Nickel, briquettes delivered to customers, merchant, N.Y., $4.50-4.75 per pound.

Palladium, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. dealer $94.00-$96.50 per troy ounce.

Platinum, soft, 99.5 fine, producer - $410.00-$430.00; dealer-approx. , $414.00-$450.00 per troy ounce.

Steel, No. 1 heavy melt scrap - Pittsburgh $104.00-$108.00 per gross ton (consumer buying price); Am. Met. Mkt. composite scrap price $105.67 per ton.

Tin, N.Y. Am. Met. Mkt. ex-dock - 266.75 c lb.

Titanium, aircraft quality, 8 1/8 inch round rotating billet, f.o.b. shipping point $7.80-9.59 lbs., domestic sponge 99.3 percent, domestic and imported duty-paid $5.00-5.50 lb.

Tungsten powder (H-Red), 99.9 percent minimum pure $10.00 per lb.

Zinc, prime western, U.S. 80.00 c-lb.

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(DEC. 27) UPI - NFL STANDINGS

American Conference
East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
x-Buffalo	13	2	0	.867	414	234
y-Miami	11	4	0	.733	313	225
Indianapolis	7	8	0	.467	264	330
NY Jets	5	10	0	.333	279	331
New England	1	14	0	.067	171	433

Central

Pittsburgh	9	6	0	.600	278	206
Cincinnati	8	7	0	.533	339	338
Houston	8	7	0	.533	371	293
Cleveland	3	12	0	.200	214	441

West

y-LA Raiders	11	4	0	.733	320	256
y-Kansas City	10	5	0	.667	348	247
Seattle	8	7	0	.533	276	276
San Diego	6	9	0	.400	303	264
Denver	4	11	0	.267	309	361

National Conference
East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
x-NY Giants	12	3	0	.800	322	201
y-Philadelphia	9	6	0	.600	373	278
y-Washington	9	6	0	.600	352	287
Dallas	7	8	0	.467	237	282
Phoenix	5	10	0	.333	237	373

Central

x-Chicago	11	4	0	.733	338	259
Tampa Bay	6	9	0	.400	250	351
Minnesota	6	9	0	.400	334	306
Green Bay	6	9	0	.400	258	325
Detroit	6	9	0	.300	363	383
West						
x-San Fran.	13	2	0	.867	333	222
New Orleans	7	8	0	.467	254	258
LA Rams	5	10	0	.333	328	392
Atlanta	4	11	0	.267	322	358

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff berth

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(DEC. 27) UPI - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's choice for vice president, Gennady Yanayev, failed to get enough votes in the Congress of People's Deputies today, even though he was the only candidate. It was a stunning blow for Gorbachev's attempt to increase the power of presidential rule. Gorbachev immediately renominated Yanayev for a second ballot. It is NOT known when another vote will take place.

Icy rain fell across the South this morning, making driving treacherous in Tennessee. Power was knocked out out in the Texarkana and Hope areas of southwest Arkansas.

Retail stores report that Christmas season sales were disappointing, as expected. An exception is K Mart, the second-largest retailer. The chain says that during economic downturns people turn to discount sellers like K Mart.

The Census Bureau says 249-Millionthousand people lived in the United States when the 1990 census was taken... a 10 percent increase from 1980. The West and South had the most growth and will gain the most seats in Congress.

A former Japanese cabinet member, Toshiyuki Inamura, was charged today with evading 12-Million dollars in taxes. He resigned from the ruling Liberal Democratic party yesterday because of charges of improprieties.

South Korean police say 53 students have been arrested for leftist activity. A police spokesman says they believed to an underground organization that staged violent demonstrations and burned public buildings.

Prospects for the merger between Pan Am and T-W-A appear to be dimming. Representatives of the two airlines are questioning the other's intentions. T-W-A owner Carl Icahn offered last week to acquire Pan Am.

Nancy Cruzan, whose feeding tube was removed 12 days ago, died yesterday in Mount Vernon, Missouri. She had been in a vegetative state for eight years. Her parents won a legal fight to remove the tube that kept her alive.

A spokesman for Tom Cruise says the 28-year-old actor was married on Christmas Eve to actress Nicole Kidman. The wedding took place in Colorado. Members of both families attended.

Illinois lottery officials say somebody let more than two-Million dollars slip through his fingers. A winning ticket was sold a year ago in Lansing, Illinois. Nobody claimed the prize and the ticket expired on Christmas Eve.

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DANVILLE, IN (DEC. 27) UPI - A woman convicted of biting her child has received a year's suspended sentence and a year's probation but she must finish high school, get counseling, and keep her children away from her husband.

Wendy Carpenter, 19, of Plainfield was convicted in November of a misdemeanor battery charge for biting her 19-month-old son, Austin Carter, on his back.

Circuit Judge Henry Boles imposed the minimum sentenced Wednesday - provided Carpenter earns a general equivalency diploma and attends counseling sessions. Boles also ordered Carpenter to keep her children away from her estranged husband, Dennis Carpenter, 20.

The couple had been charged with multiple counts earlier this year after their 2-month-old daughter, Cassandra, suffered two broken legs, a fractured arm, 12 broken ribs and a possible jaw fracture. The infant and her brother at the time also appeared to have several human bite marks on their bodies.

Carpenter is expecting her third child, which she said was conceived before she separated from her husband.

Dennis Carpenter faces felony charges of neglect and battery in connection with the attacks on the children. His trial is set for Jan. 22. If convicted, he could be sentenced to 36 years in prison.

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(DEC. 27) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record

Usual				
Evergreen Total Ret	Q	.27	12-31	12-26
Peoples Svgs Fincl	Q	.17	1-30	1-4

a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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(DEC. 27) UPI - GLOBAL WEATHER:

. City	Local Time	Temp F	C
Aberdeen c	1pm	36	02
Amsterdam r	1pm	45	07
Ankara c	3pm	35	01
Athens cy	2pm	56	13
Auckland cy	12m	64	18
Beijing cy	8pm	25	--03
Beirut	2pm	-	-
Berlin pc	1pm	45	07
Bonn cy	1pm	46	07
Brussels cy	1pm	41	05
Cairo d	2pm	66	18
Casablanca pc	12n	63	17
Copenhagen pc	1pm	43	06
Dakar d	12n	68	20
Dublin r	1pm	38	03
Geneva cy	1pm	49	09
Helsinki cy	2pm	32	00
Hong Kong pc	8pm	64	18
Jerusalem pc	2pm	49	09
Karachi c	5pm	77	25
Lisbon dr	1pm	60	16
London cy	1pm	44	07
Madrid cy	1pm	49	09
Malta pc	1pm	56	13
Manila c	8pm	81	27
Moscow c	3pm	24	-03
Nairobi cy	3pm	81	27
Nassau pc	7am	74	23
New Delhi	6pm	-	-
Nice c	1pm	55	13
Oslo r	1pm	35	01
Paris r	1pm	46	08
Pretoria cy	2pm	71	22
Riyadh	3pm	61	16
Rome cy	1pm	57	13

Seoul c	9pm	20	-06
Sofia cy	2pm	38	03
Stockholm r	1pm	40	04
Sydney c	10pm	76	24
Taipei cy	8pm	60	15
Tokyo c	9pm	45	07
Tunis cy	1pm	57	14
Vienna dr	1pm	38	03
Warsaw pc	1pm	37	03

Latin America

Buenos Aires r	9am	72	22
Caracas pc	8am	69	20
Havana	7am	-	-
Lima cy	7am	68	20
Mexico City hz	6am	44	06
Rio de Janeiro	9am	-	-
Santiago pc	8am	65	18

Canada

Calgary cy		34	01
Edmonton s		35	01
Montreal pc		28	-02
Ottawa cy		26	-03
Regina s		04	-15
Toronto pc		21	-06
Vancouver r		41	05
Winnipeg s		-10	-23

c-clear
cy-cloudy
d-dust
dr-drizzle
fy-foggy
hz-haze
pc-partly cloudy
r-rain
sl-sleet
sm-smoke
s-snow
ts-thunderstorms
w-windy

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TIRANA, ALBANIA (DEC. 27) UPI - Members of Albania's first legally sanctioned opposition party threatened Thursday to call mass demonstrations to press

demands for an election delay that would allow more time for campaigning.

At a stormy meeting of the Democratic Party, speaker after speaker angrily denounced Marxist President Ramiz Alia for his refusal to postpone multi-party parliamentary elections from Feb. 10 until May 2.

Opposition activists complained they have insufficient time before Feb. 10 to prepare and launch a national campaign against Alia's Albanian Party of Labor, which faces its first real electoral test since seizing power in 1944 and creating what was Europe's most repressive communist state.

The crowded meeting was held in the National Library in central Tirana a day after Alia disclosed at a special ruling party conference that he would not postpone the Peoples Assembly elections.

Analysts believe Alia is anxious to hold the elections as quickly as possible because of growing dissatisfaction with his regime and the tiny nation's dire economic problems, as evidenced by violent anti-government riots that erupted in major towns Dec. 15-16.

In addition, a shorter campaign period would limit the ability of the new opposition party to take its message to the countryside, where the bulk of Albania's 3.2 million people live.

Speakers pointed out that under a new constitutional amendment on elections, parliamentary contests can be held up to three months after the final session of the current legislature, which is set to end Feb. 2.

Gramoz Pashko, a key organizer of the Democratic Party, warned that the opposition group would resort to mass protests and petitions in its effort to get the elections rescheduled.

''Ramiz Alia wants Albania to be integrated with Europe, but his attitude is closing the door of Europe to all Albania,'' said Pashko, an economics professor at Tirana's Enver Hoxha University.

Other speakers also called for protests, reminding the gathering that Alia's agreement Dec. 10 to permit independent political parties came after three days of demonstrations by university students.

Critics of Alia's government have demanded an acceleration of what has been a cautious, limited program of economic and political reforms enacted after the fall of Marxist regimes across Eastern Europe in 1989.

''The reforms so far came from the student protests. Let us use the same force again. The Party of Labor will never give in without that,'' said Edi Rama, an author.

The new party has pledged itself to transforming Albania from one of Eastern Europe's last Marxist-ruled nations into a Western-style democracy with a mixed economy.

In his speech on Wednesday, Alia acknowleged that the ruling party faced a challenge in the elections and he called for ''fresh thought, a new concept for the realization of its socialist ideal.''

At the same time, he reaffirmed that the party ''does not intend to abandon its Marxist ideology.''

Alia acknowleged that the party had committed ''mistakes'' in the past. But he staunchly defended its ''historic achievements'' and urged members not to dwell on history, but to ''look ahead.''

He said his reform program was introduced ''not because we followed a fashion, nor out of someone's fear, nor because anyone forced us to do it,'' but that it was ''the fruit of an all-sided analysis of the situations at home and abroad.''

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#90361u0717 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) UPI - The federal government boasted Thursday it has sent states nearly $4.5 billion in anti-drug block grants since 1987 and claimed victory in unplugging obstacles that have delayed the flow of money to states.

However, the U.S. Conference of Mayors was unimpressed with the report by the Office of National Drug Control Policy, contending the money is not making its way to local governments, which are bearing the violent brunt of the drug crisis.

John Walters, acting director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy presented the results of a eight-month examination of the federal government's three large anti-drug block grants to states. The grants are for law enforcement efforts, distributed by the Justice Department; treatment, distributed by the Department of Health and Human Services; and prevention, distributed by the Departments of Education and Health and Human Services.

The report said the three grant programs have provided nearly $4.5 billion to state and local anti-drug efforts since 1987 and that the annual funding level has more than tripled since 1988 to $1.4 billion in 1991.

It also said federal block grants to local projects ''has become significantly more efficient and timely'' in recent years.

Twelve to 18 months could go by between the president's budget request to

Congress and actual awards to states. And delays also are caused by state legal and fiscal requirements, the report said. ''And by far the longest delay in the process of block grant expenditure involves congressional appropriations,'' it said.

''Nonetheless ... delays in block grant funding transfers have been sharply reduced since 1987,'' the report said, adding states have improved their delivery of funds to local projects.

''This report demonstrates that more federal resources are reaching more local anti-drug programs, more quickly, each year. The federal- state-local partnership created by these programs is working,'' Walters said.

But Patrick Murphy of the U.S. Conference of Mayors argued block grants ''are not being allocated in the most effective, most efficient way'' because the money is not trickling down to the cities. The conference has urged the federal government to funnel anti-drug money directly to cities.

''The states get the money and they use it for state purposes and to establish some regional programs, but very little gets to where the worst aspects of the drug problem is,'' Murphy said.

''I don't know of any indicator of how well we're doing other than the murder rate, and murder is worsening in the inner city. That's what the mayors are saying,'' he said.

The drug control office said it ''cautions against'' proposals that remove state governments from the block grant funding process.

Bypassing states ''would add significant federal administrative overhead to the block grant budgets, would undermine necessary state efforts to coordinate their law enforcement, treatment and prevention programs and would provide no guarantee of more efficiently distributed funds,'' the report said.

The report's preliminary estimates show that for fiscal year 1991, California will reap the most from the three block grants - $160.5 million, and Wyoming will receive the least amount among the 50 states - $4.7 million.

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(DEC. 27) UPI - Several streets in lower Manhattan's financial district were closed this morning after an explosion in an electrical transformer. Traffic was snarled. Officials said some offices might be unable to open. The explosion caused a fire that leaped eight stories into the air. Fire officials said 40 people may have been exposed to dangerous P-C-B's.

A powerful new storm with winds of nearly 50 miles an hour has swept into the

Northwest. Gale warnings are posted in Puget Sound. The storm is moving toward California where severe cold already has damaged crops. Icy rain fell in the South today. Power blackouts were reported in Arkansas. Some Tennessee mountain roads were dangerous.

The State Department urges Americans to leave Jordan and Sudan. The department said conditions are unstable and anti-American demonstrations may break out as the January 15th deadline for Iraq approaches. The State Department is ordering its NON-essential U-S government employees to leave before January 15th.

U-S intelligence officers believe Iraqi troops will NOT leave Kuwait voluntarily. Army Lieutenant Colonel Tom Coury said he believes Saddam Hussein intends to remain ''for the long haul.'' Coury said it is looking as if the Iraqi troops in Kuwait will have to be forced out.

Gennady Yanayev, the only candidate for vice president of the Soviet Union, lost today in voting in the Congress of People's Deputies. Largely because of boycotts by delegates from rebelling republics, Yanayev did NOT get enough a majority vote. President Gorbachev immediately renominated him for a second ballot, but it is NOT known when the vote will be.

11 percent of American Airlines' pilots reported sick yesterday... about 70 percent more than usual. American accused them of staging a ''sickout'' to press for a new contract and got a court order forcing them back to work. Pilots for American have been negotiating a new contract for 14 months.

The Education Department predicts that by 2001, most people getting doctorate degrees will be women. This will be the result of fields such as math and science opening to women. But men will continue to earn most of the professional degrees in fields like medicine and law.

Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis has signed legislation designed to protect victims of domestic abuse. It requires arrests for abusers who violate restraining orders and also requires victims to be notified when people who abused them are released from jail.

The plant where Rocky worked out in his first movie burned down this morning. The meat packing plant is in North Philadelphia. Firefighters worked for five hours to bring the blaze under control. In the film, Rocky perfected his punching technique by pounding a side of beef at the packing plant.

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HONG KONG (DEC. 27) UPI - The U.S. Consulate advised impatient Hong Kong millionaires Thursday how to start lining up to receive immigrant visas to the United States in return for $1 million investments in U.S. ventures.

The trade-off policy was contained in the immigration law that became effective in November and applied to not only to potential Hong Kong immigrants but to any aliens with $1 million to invest, a consulate spokesman said.

Tens of thousands of Hong Kong Chinese have sought immigration papers to the United States, Canada, Australia, the United Kingdom and other countries in the face of the British colony's scheduled 1997 return to Chinese sovereignty. A number of other countries have announced policies granting visas in return for a minimum amount of investment.

The consulate announced potential investors must file a form entitled ''Request for Determination that Prospective Immigrant is an Investor'' with the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service Center responsible for the area into which the money will go. The form will help determine the priority in which the investor will receive a visa, which will not be issued until the start of the 1992 fiscal year next October.

The consulate said the investment must be in a U.S. venture that employs 10 or more American workers. The spokesman said the priority was required because the number of visas were limited.

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CARTON EGGS

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Carton eggs selling prices as reported by the USDA Thursday:

Prices paid and delivered to New York store door - higher.

Prices paid and delivered to retailers: Extra large 101-103; large 98-101 and mediums 86-89.

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BUTTER AND EGGS

CHICAGO (DEC. 27) UPI - Bulk selling prices of butter and eggs as reported by USDA Thursday.

Butter: (92 score A) 96 1/4-98 1/4; (93 score AA) 97 1/4-98 1/4.

Eggs: prices to retailers (Grade A, in cartons, delivered):

Extra large 94-97; large 90-96; medium 78-84.

Major potato markets: FOB shipping points, per hundredweight unless otherwise stated:

Round reds (100 lb sacks) Colorado 7.00-9.00. Minnesota-North Dakota 8.50-9.50.

Norkotahs and Burbanks (100 lb sacks, non- size A) Colorado 6.00-6.50, Idaho 6.75-7.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) Wisconsin 12.00- 12.50, Washington 13.00-14.00, Colorado 12.00- 15.00, Idaho 14.00-15.00, Oregon 14.00-15.00; (50 lb cartons, 100 count) Wisconsin 9.00-9.50, Washington 10.00-12.00, Colorado 10.00-11.00, Idaho 10.00, Oregon 10.00-12.00.

Round whites (100 lb sacks) Wisconsin too few to quote.

Colorado centennials (100 lb sacks, non-size A) 5.50-6.00; (50 lb cartons, 70-80 count) 9.00- 12.00, (100 count) 7.00-10.00.

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#90361u0762 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) UPI - The Dallas Cowboys and Houston Oilers Sunday will try to follow a trend nobody in the NFL set by design. That trend is to enter the playoffs with a backup quarterback starting.

The Buffalo Bills, New York Giants and Chicago Bears will be doing that, although those clubs clinched while they still had their starters healthy. The Cowboys will call on Babe Laufenberg and the Oilers on Cody Carlson Sunday with playoff berths on the line.

Dallas will clinch the final NFC wild-card spot with a victory in Atlanta. If the Cowboys lose, they can still get in with a 7-9 mark if the New Orleans Saints lose Monday night against the Los Angeles Rams.

The Oilers are assured of making the playoffs with a home victory against Pittsburgh.

''We'd rather lock it up ourselves,'' says Laufenberg, who has only six previous starts in as many NFL seasons. ''I view it as an opportunity, but it's a misnomer to say I'm going to take this team to the playoffs. Everybody is going to have to take up the slack.''

Laufenberg became a starter when Troy Aikman suffered a separated shoulder last week in Philadelphia.

Carlson, in his fourth season, has thrown just 26 passes all season. He takes over for Warren Moon, who suffered a dislocated thumb last week in Cincinnati.

''I've always felt I could compete in the NFL,'' Carlson said. ''But just being in the league, you hope for games like this. It's a great challenge with the playoffs at stake and we're going against the best defense in the league. I'm excited about it.''

Dallas would become the first team in NFL history to follow a one- victory season with a trip to the playoffs the next year. The Cowboys also would have the worst record of any wild-card team in NFL history, and could become the first team with a losing record to make the playoffs if they and New Orleans lose.

If the Cowboys fall, the Saints, 7-8, will earn the last NFC postseason spot with a home victory Monday night.

The other NFC playoff spots are sealed - San Francisco, New York and Chicago are division champions and Philadelphia and Washington are wild cards.

In the AFC, Buffalo has the East title, Miami is a wild card and either the Los Angeles Raiders or Kansas City will win the AFC West with the runner-up settling for a wild-card spot.

That leaves the AFC Central and the third AFC wild-card spot to be settled Sunday.

Pittsburgh, 9-6, leads the AFC Central by one game over Houston and Cincinnati. Seattle joins the Oilers and Bengals at 8-7 and remains in contention for the wild-card spot.

Houston, with Carlson replacing injured Warren Moon, plays home against the Steelers Sunday night. Pittsburgh clinches the division with a victory. If the Oilers win, Cincinnati finishes first in the AFC Central if the Bengals win at home against Cleveland.

''We've got it right in front of us,'' Steelers quarterback Bubby Brister said. ''All we've got to do is take it.''

For the Oilers to take the division, they must win and Cincinnati must lose to the 3-12 Browns. However, Houston clinches at least the wild-card berth with a victory over Pittsburgh.

The Bengals are heavily favored, but the Browns, 3-12, can take some of the sting out of a lost season by knocking off their Ohio rivals.

''It would be gratifying to knock the Bengals out of the playoffs,'' Browns defensive tackle Michael Dean Perry said. ''We're not able to go any further, so to spoil someone else's season would be nice, especially Cincinnati.''

The Seahawks can make the playoffs if they win at home over Detroit and either Cincinnati or Houston loses. Seattle also makes it if Cincinnati and Houston lose.

In other games Sunday, it's Buffalo at Washington, Indianapolis at Miami, San Diego at the Raiders, San Francisco at Minnesota, the Giants at New England, the New York Jets at Tampa Bay, and Green Bay at Denver.

The Bills, Giants and Bears can use the final game to give their new starting quarterbacks - Frank Reich of Buffalo, Jeff Hostetler of New York and Mike Tomczak of Chicago - more work.

The NFL rushing title will also be decided Sunday. Buffalo's Thurman Thomas leads his former Oklahoma State teammate Barry Sanders of Detroit by 16 yards - 1,297 to 1,281. Thomas also leads in total yards from scrimmage with 1,810. Sanders has 1,746 total yards.

Cleveland tight end Ozzie Newsome is expected to end his 13-year career after Sunday's game. Newsome, 34, leads all tight ends and places fourth among all receivers with 661 career receptions.

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TOKYO (DEC. 27) UPI - Major Japanese automaker Nissan Motor Co. Ltd. said Thursday it will carry out a major reorganization Jan. 1, aimed at improving services to customers and streamline its operations at home and overseas.

Nissan - Japan's second-largest carmaker and the world's fifth- largest overall - said its operation groups in North America and Europe and overseas planning department will be reorganized into a new International Operations Coordination Group.

The new unit will be responsible for mapping out medium- and long- range market strategy and coodinating Nissan's local operations in the North American and European markets, the company said.

The company said a quality information center will be inaugurated in the Quality Assurance Department to facilitate quick acquisition of sufficient information on quality matters and to effect prompt implemention of whatever action or improvement is needed.

The company said a new transportation research center will be established to engage in comprehensive study on transportation and traffic issues and two new branches will be set up in western and southwestern Japan.

Nissan operates assembly and production facilities in Japan and 21 other countries, including the United States, where it builds cars and trucks in

Smyrna, Tenn. Its U.S. headquarters are in Carson, Calif.

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#90361u0773 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
WARSAW, POLAND (DEC. 27) UPI - President Lech Walesa called outgoing Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki to a meeting Thursday but neither would say later whether Walesa asked him to remained as head of government.

Following the hourlong meeting at Belweder Palace, Walesa declined to say what was discussed.

''One cannot speak about concrete results of this talk,'' Walesa said. ''Knowing the premier's patriotism, I can't imagine Tadeusz Mazowiecki's absence from affairs of state.''

Mazowiecki said he and Walesa discussed conditions in the country.

''We talked mainly about the future,'' he told reporters. ''It was a preliminary talk.''

The meeting followed reports that outgoing Finance Minster Leszek Balcerowicz, architect of Poland's economic stabilization plan, turned down the premiership.

Gazeta Wyborcza, an independent daily that supports Mazowiecki over Walesa, quoted Walesa's spokesman, Andrzej Drzycimnski, as saying there are still several candidates for prime minister.

''It is still not known who will head the government,'' Drzycimski said.

Among those said to be in the running were Zdzislaw Gil, the chairman of the Solidarity parliamentary caucus, and Interior Minister Krzysztof Kozlowski.

Trybuna, the former Communist paper, castigated Walesa for criticizing Finance Minister Balcerowicz during the presidential campaign, but wooing him now in an effort to keep him in the Cabinet.

''After the campaign, the awakening has come,'' Trybuna said, noting that Walesa had criticized Balcerowicz's economic austerity measures for producing high unemployment.

But Walesa's promise of full employment generated fears in the West that dropping the plan might mean a return to hyperinflation and economic instability.

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#90361u0787 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

ARLINGTON, TX (DEC. 27) UPI - In a pensive moment, while riding a horse somewhere on one of his three cattle ranches along the coastal plains of Texas it would seem logical that Lynn Nolan Ryan Jr., might stop and reminisce about his amazing career.

After all, the numbers are staggering. The acclaim has been universal. The achievements have been historic.

Ryan is the consummate family man, devoting much of his energy to his wife and children. He tends to his business interests. He is a physical fitness fanatic. And when it comes time to pitch, he pitches.

But, surely, there are times that require a little reflection on what he has accomplished over all these years.

So, what about it, Nolan? Are you a reflective kind of person?

''Nope,'' Ryan said not long ago in the deserted clubhouse of the Texas Rangers. ''Never have been. I don't guess I ever think back on what I've done.''

Oh. Well, if you did, what would you think about? Of all the things that you have achieved, what is it that makes you most proud?

Almost as if he were being asked to submit to a root canal, Ryan thought for a moment.

''I guess,'' he finally said, ''that when you put it all together it is the fact that I have had the longevity I have had, the fact that I have been able to maintain the level I have for as long as I have. After all, I thought I would be out of baseball 10 years ago.''

Ryan, however, is not out of baseball. He will enter his 24th major- league season in 1991 and will be 44 years old when he takes the mound for the Rangers next April.

He was 43 when he threw the sixth no-hitter of his career, two more than anybody else. He was 43 when he posted his 300th victory, becoming the 20th pitcher to do so. He was 43 when he ran his career strikeout record total to 5,308.

For all those things, and many more, Ryan, the oldest active player in the majors, is United Press International's Male Athlete of the Year.

Among other things last season:

-He held the opposition to a batting average of .188, the lowest of any of the 74 major-league pitchers qualifying for the ERA title.

-He became the oldest pitcher to throw a no-hitter, became the first to throw a no-hitter in three different decades and became the first to throw a no-hitter with three different teams.

-He went over 100 strikeouts for the 22nd season, a major-league record.

-He struck out 10 or more batters eight times to increase his career total to 207. That is 109 more times than any other pitcher.

He did all of that despite spending time on the disabled list with back spasms. And he is coming back to torture hitters some more.

Ryan will earn $3.3 million in 1991, which he feels will be his last in baseball. But he has said that before.

''I guess I still pitch because I just like the competition,'' Ryan said. ''I think at this stage of my life I still enjoy the competition as much as anyone.''

And he does it because so many people get a kick out of watching him pitch.

''I have really been accepted in Arlington,'' he said. ''I didn't realize there would be so much fan support. My family has enjoyed the experience since I came to the Rangers and everything seems to have worked out for the best.

''And I have remained relatively healthy. So, putting it all together, I decided to pitch some more.''

The fact that Ryan has done the things he has done, of course, is not as stunning as the age at which he is still doing them.

After each game he pitches, he meets the media while peddling a stationary bicycle in the Rangers' clubhouse. He studies the physics of exercise, tries to get his hands on any videotape that discusses new physical therapy techniques and generally is a walking encyclopedia on fitness.

''I don't think there is any question that the advancements in physical fitness have helped prolong my career,'' he said. ''When I first started you were pretty much on your own. Now there are all sorts of breakthroughs that help people like me.''

The reality of the situation, however, is that there is no one in baseball like Ryan. After a quick start last year, the assumption was that time had finally caught up with him.

He pitched in pain for several outings before finally going on the disabled list and there was brief speculation Ryan might not make it back from that

injury, much less stay around for another season.

In his second start back from the disabled list, however, he no-hit the Oakland A's.

And again Ryan baffled fans who marvel at how a man who has thrown so many fastballs over a quarter century can continue to do so. He will most likely be the starting pitcher when the Rangers open their season in 1991, and the way he has performed over the past few years, it would be foolish to wager he will not repeat that assignment in 1992.

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ST. LOUIS (DEC. 27) UPI - Texas Rangers' ageless hurler Nolan Ryan, who won his 300th victory, pitched his sixth career no-hitter and led the American League in strikeouts during 1990, Thursday was named the Sporting News ''Man of the Year.''

''Nolan Ryan is a superb athlete who never puts himself ahead of his teammates or the game,'' said John D. Rawlings, editor of the Sporting News. ''What he has accomplished this year - and throughout his career - is truly remarkable.''

Ryan's sixth no-hitter extended his own record for a career and gave him the distinction of being the oldest pitcher to pitch a no-no. His July 31 victory over Milwaukee made him only the 20th pitcher in major league history to notch 300 wins.

His 232 strikeouts gave him four consecutive league-leading years in that category.

''Ryan represents the quintessential sports role model - a uniquely talented athlete who has accomplished extraordinary feats and demonstrated a responsible understanding of his role as a public figure, '' said Thomas G. Osenton, Sporting News publisher.

He is the 22nd winner of the award, which will be marked with a special Waterford Crystal trophy.

Detroit Tigers pitcher Denny McClain won the first award in 1968. Other recipients include Lou Brock, George Brett, Whitey Herzog, Jackie Joiner-Kersee, Tom Seaver, Steve Cauthen and Joe Montana. Pete Rose won the honor in 1985.

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LONDON (DEC. 27) UPI - Stock prices closed higher in thin holiday trading

Thursday on the London International Stock Exchange.

Stocks ended slightly lower in sluggish trading in Frankfurt.

London's blue-chip Financial Times 100-stock index, which eased 8.1 points Monday in holiday-shortened trading, gained 11.5 points to 2,167. 8. The narrower top 30 industrial average added 8.9 points to 1,687.8.

Volume amounted to around a meager 177 million shares.

Analysts said the low trading activity tarnished equity firmness, with dealers describing the mainly futures-led support as technical.

Investors were opening few fresh positions ahead of the New Year, keeping trading volume in the holiday doldrums, analysts said.

Stocks drifted slightly higher in thin trading early, reflecting an absence of news and market participants.

Among the most widely traded stocks, Reuters gained 42 cents to $13. 01 on word that agreement was close for the use of the Globex dealing system on the Chicago's futures exchange.

Oil and related issues were overshadowed by a gloomy forecast on crude prices by investment house Kleinwort Benson, which predicted oil prices would drop in the future.

Retail issues improved slightly with the start of the sales and reports of late Christmas spending. Boots added 10 cents to $6.16.

New Year share tipping (forecasts) by the tabloid press began with the Daily Mail, whose choices included Trafalgar House, De la Rue, Grand Met and Trusthouse Forte, which all rose on speculation over the favorable comments.

Elsewhere in Europe, stock prices closed lower in thin holiday trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The closely watched German Stock Index, which gained 5.62 points last Friday, slipped 4.01 points to 1,410.87.

Traders said many participants remained on holiday as most institutional investors have already closed their books for the year.

The exchange, which was closed Monday through Wednesday for the Christmas holidays, will also be closed Monday and Tuesday next week.

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ARLINGTON, VA (DEC. 27) UPI - Police are investigating the case of a maintenance worker who was bilked out of his life savings when he asked a fortune teller to remove a curse on him.

Police want to speak with other people who may have been victims of the scam two months ago, police detective James Griswold said.

Griswold told The Arlington Journal on Wednesday that a Spanish- speaking woman between 35 and 40 set up a fortune teller's shop in Arlington.

A maintenance worker at an apartment building believed he was having bad luck so he went to the fortune teller two or three times, Griswold said. The man, who was not identified by police, had been told ''someone had put the evil spirit in him.'' The fortune teller lit candles, told the man to strip to his underwear and rubbed his body with raw eggs.

She then told him that to remove the curse she would have to bless his money overnight. She asked him for $20,000 so the man came up with $6,000 of his own money and borrowed $10,000 from friends, which was close enough for the fortune teller.

The victim left the money with the woman and went home.

''He came back at noon the next day and she was gone,'' said Griswold, who works in the police department's white collar crime unit. ''She had disappeared. That was his life savings and probably the life savings of several other people.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) UPI - Here is a state-by-state list of the total amount of federal anti-drug grants provided by the Departments of Justice, Health and Human Services and Education between fiscal years 1989-91, according to the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

The amounts listed, respectively, are for 1989, 1990, a preliminary estimate for 1991 and the percentage change over the three-year period.

-Alabama: $10.2 million, $20.3 million, $22.1 million, 117 percent.

-Alaska: $3.3 million, $5.1 million, $5.4 million, 63 percent.

-Arizona: $9.7 million, $18.2 million, $19.6 million, 103 percent.

-Arkansas: $5.9 million, $11.1 million, $12 million, 103 percent.

-California: $74.7 million, $145.9 million, $160.5 million, 115 percent.

-Colorado: $9.2 million, $17.3 million, $18.8 million, 104 percent.

-Connecticut: $9.1 million. $17 million, $18.1 million, 100 percent.

-Delaware: $3.2 million, $5.5 million, $6.1 million, 90 percent.

-District of Columbia: $3.8 million, $6.3 million, $6.7 million, 77 percent.

-Florida: $28.6 million, $58.2 million, $63.5 million, 122 percent.

-Georgia: $14.8 million, $29.8 million; $32.6 million, 121 percent.

-Hawaii: $3.6 million, $6.8 million, $7.4 million, 105 percent.

-Idaho: $3.2 million, $5.5 million, $6.1 million, 90 percent.

-Illinois: $29 million, $58.5 million, $64.3 million, 122 percent.

-Indiana: $12.6 million, $25.1 million, $26.9 million, 113 percent.

-Iowa: $7.2 million, $13.3 million, $14.6 million, 104 percent.

-Kansas: $5.9 million, $11.2 million, $12.2 million, 105 percent.

-Kentucky: $9.3 million, $18.1 million, $19.8 million, 113 percent.

-Louisiana: $12.4 million, $23.5 million, $26.2 million, 111 percent.

-Maine: $3.8 million, $6.2 million, $6.7 million, 76 percent.

-Maryland: $12.7 million, $25 million, $27.4 million, 115 percent.

-Massachusetts: $15.8 million, $30.5 million, $32.6 million, 107 percent.

-Michigan: $25.8 million, $48.9 million, $53.3 million, 107 percent.

-Minnesota: $10.8 million, $20.7 million, $22.7 million, 111 percent.

-Mississippi: $6.7 million, $12.6 million, $13.8 million, 107 percent.

-Missouri: $12.4 million, $24.3 million, $26.4 million, 114 percent.

-Montana: $3.2 million, $5.2 million, $5.7 million, 77 percent.

-Nebraska: $4.3 million, $8 million, $8.7 million, 100 percent.

-Nevada: $3.6 million, $6.6 million, $7.2 million, 102 percent.

-New Hampshire: $3.3 million, $5.6 million, $6.1 million, 85 percent.

-New Jersey: $21 million, $40.8 million, $43.9 million, 109 percent.

-New Mexico: $4.9 million, $8.1 million, $8.7 million, 77 percent.

-New York: $53.7 million, $100.5 million, $109.6 million, 104 percent.

-North Carolina: $14.3 million, $28.2 million, $30.7 million, 116 percent.

-North Dakota: $2.9 million, $4.8 million, $5.3 million, 87 percent.

-Ohio: $26.2 million, $50.2 million, $56.4 million, 116 percent.

-Oklahoma: $7.6 million, $14.8 million, $16 million, 110 percent.

-Oregon: $7.4 million, $14 million, $15.1 million, 104 percent.

-Pennsylvania: $29.8 million, $58.6 million, $63.3 million, 113 percent.

-Rhode Island: $3.9 million, $6.9 million, $7.4 million, 93 percent.

-South Carolina: $8.4 million, $16.7 million, $18.3 million, 118 percent.

-South Dakota: $3.1 million, $5 million, $5.5 million, 76 percent.

-Tennessee: $11.1 million, $22.8 million, $25 million, 124 percent.

-Texas: $42.8 million, $83.1 million, $92.2 million, 115 percent.

-Utah: $5.8 million, $10.4 million, $11.3 million, 96 percent.

-Vermont: $3.1 million, $4.8 million, $5.3 million, 72 percent.

-Virginia: $14.4 million, $28.6 million, $31.2 million, 117 percent.

-Washington: $11.8 million, $23 million, $25.1 million, 112 percent.

-West Virginia: $5.1 million, $8.7 million, $9.5 million, 86 percent.

-Wisconsin: $12.8 million, $24.2 million, $26.5 million, 108 percent.

-Wyoming: $2.6 million, $4.2 million, $4.7 million, 80 percent.

-Puerto Rico: $10.4 million, $20.6 million, $23 million, 122 percent.

-Virgin Islands: $2.1 million, $2.7 million, $3.6 million, 75 percent.

-Guam: $1.7 million, $2.6 million, $3.6 million, 106 percent.

-Other insular areas: $1.4 million, $2.4 million, $3 million, 118 percent.

-HHS research grants: $20.6 million, $29.2 million, $29.6 million, 44 percent.

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#90361u0823 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) UPI - The Commerce Department reports another sign of a falling economy. Orders for durable goods fell 10 and one-half percent in November. This matches the January drop which was the largest in 32 years. Most industries suffered declines in orders for big-ticket items. Worst hit was transportation equipment which declined 27 percent. The price tag for the orders slipped to 116-BILLION dollars, the lowest since May 1988.

An explosion in an electrical transformer and a fire in lower Manhattan have disrupted Wall Street. Trading on the New York and American stock exchanges will be delayed because of the fire near the building containing a computer used by both exchanges. Flames shot eight stories into the air and windows were broken by the explosion. Officials fear dangerous P-C-B's may have been spewed into the air.

A new storm on the Pacific Coast is threatening California. It has brought winds approaching 50 miles an hour to the Northwest. Gale warnings are posted for Puget Sound. The storm is moving toward California where severe cold already has damaged citrus and other fruits and vegetables. Also threatened are marigolds to be used in next week's Rose Parade in Pasadena.

Eight states will get more congressional seats in two years while 13 will get fewer. This is the result of the 1990 census. The Census Bureau has put the 1990 population at 249-Millionthousand. California has the most peopleMillion. California will gain the most congressional seats- seven. New York gets a three-seat reduction to make it the biggest loser.

The cattle industry expects a good year in 1991. John Lacey, president of the National Cattlemen's Association, says production should equal or outdo that for 1990. The average price should be up too. Lacey said exports of beef are improving and U-S demand is increasing. He said ranchers are increasing production of beef because of the improved outlook.

At least 22 people were killed over the Christmas holiday in a wave of crime across South Africa. There were more than 750 injuries. Police today announced plans for the biggest anti-crime operation in years. A special concern is the use of A-K-47 assault rifles by criminals who smuggle them in from Mozambique.

Comedian Jackie Mason has saved New Year's Eve. NO corporate sponsors were found to pay the costs for lowering the giant ball on Times Square. Lawyer Raoul Felder brought together Mason and Steve Israel, the owner of the building where the ball is dropped. Mason agreed to foot the bill. The cost is NOT known.

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#90361u0828 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 27) UPI - The family of Hank Gathers has accused a prominent Loyola Marymount booster of giving money and gifts to the late basketball star, the Los Angeles Times reported Thursday.

Albert Gersten, who helped finance construction of Loyola's arena, Gersten Pavilion, is the booster named in depositions taken in connection with the wrongful-death suit filed by Gathers' mother and brother against Loyola and 13 other defendants.

The Times said Gathers' family testified in depositions that Gersten gave cash to Gathers while the player was on a scholarship at Loyola. Lucille Gathers said her son gave her $2,000 and gifts with the money he received.

Such gifts to a player are violations of NCAA rules. If the accusations are true, Loyola could face penalties by the NCAA and the West Coast Conference.

Gersten, a real estate developer who is the largest of about 20 boosters who financed construction of Gersten Pavilion denied the accusations.

''It's not true,'' he told the Times. ''I didn't help Hank. I gave him meals occasionally. He would be over at the house and we would have dinner and he would eat. But that's it. The lawyer (for Loyola) said they are saying this to prove Hank supported his mother for the lawsuit. ''

Gathers collapsed March 4 at Gersten Pavilion while playing in a West Coast Conference tournament game and was pronounced dead 1 hour and 40 minutes later at Daniel Freeman Marina Hospital. An autopsy determined the cause of death to be cardiomyopathy, a heart disorder.

Gathers' mother, his two brothers and an aunt have filed a $32.5 million suit against the university and 13 other defendants, claiming negligence, conspiracy and wrongful death.

Loyola Athletic Director Brian Quinn said he notified the conference as soon as he was told about the allegations in the depositions, which are taken under oath.

''We didn't believe it, but we followed the procedure and reported it to the conference and then they report to the NCAA,'' Quinn told the Times. ''I'm

pretty close to the athletes. I used to talk with Hank a lot, and I have met with Gersten many times and I have no reason to believe that these allegations are true.''

Bob Minnix, assistant director of enforcement for the NCAA, would not comment on whether the NCAA is reviewing the allegations.

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#90361u0855 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (DEC. 27) UPI - The man who won the Mr. USA bodybuilding competition in 1988 has pleaded guilty to smuggling anabolic steroids into the country from France and said he used the drug for 11 years to promote muscle growth.

John Defendis, 32, faces a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a $250,000 fine when he is sentenced Feb. 27. He entered his plea Wednesday before U.S. District Judge James Paine.

''I used steroids, not to get an edge on the competition, but just to compete with the competition,'' he said after court.

Defendis said he underwent withdrawal from steroids after he was arrested by federal agents in May. He founded a support group called Steroid Use Rehabilitation and Education. He said the group has helped four people attempting to get off steroids.

The use of anabolic steroids has been linked to liver, heart and kidney damage and other health problems. Defendis said his primary problem with the drugs has been hair loss. He said he has had hair transplants since his arrest.

The U.S. Customs Service began investigating Defendis for importation of steroids in April, when a customs agent in Atlanta called the West Palm Beach office with a tip about a package containing steroids from France that was addressed to Defendis, assistant U.S. attorney Jeff Levenson said.

A postal inspector delivered the package to Defendis May 2. Defendis signed for it and agents obtained a search warrant and seized the package at the home.

The package came from a French bodybuilder. The man won a Mr. France title after staying with Defendis while training, Levenson said.

Defendis said the man, whom he knew only as Paul, offered him money for his stay, but Defendis turned him down.

''Then he said he would send some steroids,'' Defendis said. ''I said, 'No, that's not necessary.' Then the package came.''

He told Paine he wasn't sure what was in the package.

''I had an idea it was steroids, but I wasn't exactly positive,'' he said.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) UPI - Mayor-elect Sharon Pratt Dixon will face a financial emergency greater than the gloomy projections for the city offered by Mayor Marion Barry's administration, one of her top financial advisers has told her.

In a memo to Dixon, Franklin Raines, chairman of Dixon's Transition Financial Management Committee, wrote ''The nation's capital is at serious risk. Its problems are as big as those that faced New York City in the 1970s but despite the lessons of New York and other big cities which experienced financial crisis all the major actors in Washington have avoided their responsibility for many years.''

A copy of the Dec. 21 memo was obtained by The Washington Post.

''In five or six months the district will run out of cash and be unable to meet payrolls or pay its bills unless drastic actions are taken immediately,'' Raines wrote.

The administration of Mayor Marion Barry and an advisory commission have projected the city's deficit for the current fiscal year will be about $200 million, but Raines estimates that the deficit for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1991, will be between $275 million and $300 million.

The increase will come from ''additional unbudgeted spending and a further deterioration of tax revenues due to the recession,'' Raines wrote Dixon.

He noted that ''in my 11 years of working with governments in financial difficulty, I do not believe I have every encountered a situation as potentially disastrous as this one.''

Raines estimated the deficit for the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30 will approach $100. In the past four years, the city has spent more than $400 million more than it took in, he said.

''Such overspending has been possible for a period of time because cash balances have been depleted, vendor and other payments delayed, and funds borrowed from other internal sources,'' he said.

In conclusion, Raines told Dixon, ''Let me simply say you have inherited a mess.''

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) UPI - Marines who spend most of their time performing ceremonial duties and entertaining tourists in the nation's capital by twirling rifles with razor-sharp bayonets began their journey Thursday to the Persian Gulf.

Company A from the Marine Barracks is commanded by Capt. Bryan McCoy, 28, of Papillion, Neb. It left for Camp Lejeune, N.C., and will be assigned to the 2nd Marine Division. Company A will be headed overseas within a week.

The gulf deployment is the first for a barracks detachment since a unit was sent to Cuba in 1906 for pacification duty.

The barracks is home to about 1,000 Marines and its duties include entertaining tourists, providing guards for the White House, the presidential retreat at Camp David, Md., and the Washington Navy Yard.

Capt. Kathy Engels, a spokeswoman for the barracks, said although best known for its precision marching and twirling at military ceremonies, the company has two years of infantry training.

Marines from the barracks served most notably in 1837 against the Seminole Indians in Florida and in 1859 at Harper's Ferry, W.Va., where they retook the U.S. Arsenal and captured rebel John Brown. They also helped defend the U.S. Capitol during the War of 1812 and served in the war with Mexico and the Spanish-American War.

Also Thursday, elements of ''The Big Red One,'' a tank unit of the 1st Infantry Division, began leaving Fort Riley, Kansas. The unit will supplement armored forces massing in the desert kingdom for a possible assault on Iraqi positions in Kuwait.

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#90361u0872 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
HOLLYWOOD (DEC. 27) UPI - Moviegoers plunked down more than $4.71 billion for tickets this year through Christmas Day, less than 2 percent behind last year's record-setting pace of $4.79 billion at the same juncture.

Last year's final total hit $5.03 billion, while this year's - bolstered by the recent successes of ''The Godfather Part III'' and ''Home Alone'' - will probably close at more than $4.9 billion.

The third installment of the ''Godfather'' saga set a Christmas record with a $6.4 million gross in its debut.

The top 10 films pulled in a total of $66.8 million over the five-day Christmas weekend, up a sharp 78 percent from last year's four-day weekend total of $37.6 million. This year's Christmas weekend was also up 40 percent over the $47.6 million taken in during the previous three- day weekend.

For the week, films grossed $93.4 million, up from $83.4 million for the year-ago week, Daily Variety reported Thursday. The same week in 1988 saw a $95 million gross.

Twentieth Century Fox's ''Home Alone'' remained at the top of the nation's box office for the sixth consecutive week and has sold $118.6 million of tickets, making it the fifth-highest grossing film of the year.

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DHAKA, Bangladesh (DEC. 27) UPI - Fire swept a garment factory outside the capital Thursday, killing 25 people trapped behind locked doors left unattended by gatekeepers, officials and state-run television said.

About 100 others, including four firefighters, were injured in the blaze, which apparently was ignited by an electrical short circuit just after the morning shift had reported for work, authorities said.

The work shift consisted of about 150 employees, most of the women.

One survivor said the blaze began when a worker hit an electrical line with an iron rod. The high-voltage spark touched off a massive fire that engulfed the third and fourth floors of the factory, where garments are sewn and cut.

Workers tried flee, but were trapped inside because the factory gates were locked and the gatekeepers had left their post, firefighters told reporters.

The dead included the factory owner, 16 teenage girls and eight other people trapped in the building as the fire raged for three hours, authorities said.

''We asked for help from all fire brigade stations,'' one fire official said. ''This was the biggest fire in the garment industries.''

The factory that burned, located in Mirpur about 3 miles from Dhaka, is one of about 500 garment plants in Bangladesh that employ some 300, 000 people altogether.

The garment trade has flourished in Bangladesh over the past decade, becoming the country's second-largest export industry behind the jute trade. Thousands of women from poor families work in the factories at very low wages.

Government officials said they would form a commission to investigate the

cause of the factory fire and assess the losses.

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BY GERALD NADLER - UPI

MOSCOW (DEC. 27) UPI - The Congress of People's Deputies, a key piece in Mikhail Gorbachev's marionette democracy, is a legislature as unique as Russia is a land - sprawling, raucous, disorderly and brutal.

In its two years of existence comprising four dramatic sessions, the compliant Congress has delivered Gorbachev ever broader powers, including his executive presidency last March.

On Thursday the legislators briefly tugged back on the strings, initially rejecting Gorbachev's hand-picked candidate for vice president, Communist functionary Gennady Yanayev, whose name was alone on the ballot.

But Gorbachev insisted Yanayev was the only man he could work with and resubmitted his candidacy. The deputies voted again, this time approving Yanayev, former chief of the docile trade unions and Communist Youth League, or Komsomol.

New votes are normal in the raucous Congress, as are the arbitrary rulings by Congress Chairman Anatoly Lukyanov and the switching off of speakers' microphones.

On Thursday, one deputy defended his right to pocket the single-name Yanayev ballot and not turn it in. When he said he did not want to be part of the ''same spectacle that elected Gorbachev president'' last March, Lukyanov fairly shot out of his presidium chair.

''Cut off his microphone, cut it off, you don't call the election of the president a spectacle, go sit down, sit down,'' Lukyanov said, scowling.

The Congress, elected two years ago in multiparty balloting to serve as a bridge to a real parliamentary system, is so large with 2,250 members (should they all attend) that it requires a score card to know who's who.

A new scorecard was provided for the just concluded Fourth Congress of People's Deputies - a glossy 563-page book selling at $10 with the names, pictures and biographies of each deputy.

Some deputies bought as many as eight copies. As soon as breaks in the proceedings were announced, the legislators trotted up to Gorbachev asking that he autograph their copy.

During the first Congress in May 1989, the hall lacked electronic voting, and the ballots were tallied by monitors. Now electronic voting machines have been installed. The deputies carry their multi-colored voting cards in their pockets.

But that has not solved all problems. Several deputies, perhaps ashamed at their votes that go into the record under their name, said the machine had erred, or that they put the card in the wrong slot, and demanded corrections.

''Fine,'' Lukyanov said, ''but you can't wait three days, and must do it immediately by a letter request.''

Deputies don't always make it back in time from the breaks, and one speaker upbraided his colleagues for ''wandering around outside in the halls or smoking in the toilet area.''

The proceedings can be brutal, reflecting the Russian propensity to flay those with whom they disagree.

Andrei Sakharov, the former dissident who became the liberal voice of the Parliament, was pilloried at one session by conservatives for criticizing the army's actions in Afghanistan. Sakharov died during the December 1989 Congress.

In his dramatic resignation speech at this Congress, Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze called some of his army opponents ''boys in colonel's stripes,'' while deputy Alis Adamovich branded some of the colonels ''bastards.''

Army Col. Viktor Alksnis took the floor later that day, and said, ''Before you stands a reactionary, before you stands a bastard.'' He then demanded that Shevardnadze go and visit the tents where Soviet soldiers departing Eastern Europe must now live in Russia.

The next day, right-wing deputies demanded that Adamovich be brought to trial for slander.

Pale and gaunt Nikolai Ryzhkov, whose job was eliminated in Gorbachev's latest power grab, sat through the first seven days of the Congress until the Tuesday vote that all but cut him out of the power structure.

The next morning, Wednesday, Gorbachev announced to the Congress that Ryzhkov had suffered a heart attack the night before, that his life was not in danger and ''we wish him a speedy recovery.''

The Congress, the sole body that can change the Constitution, has benefitted Gorbachev, electing his smaller standing Parliament of 542 members, creating Gorbachev's executive presidency and finally giving him direct control of all ministries.

After this vast delegation of power, the deputies on Thursday initially denied Gorbachev his choice of vice president.

But lest there be any concern that Gorbachev was losing control of the session reporters in the press gallery could occasionally hear whispered exchanges over the leader's microphone at the front of the hall as he assured Lukyanov: ''It's OK, it's going to be OK.''

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PITTSBURGH (DEC. 27) UPI - The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette reported Thursday that the morning PG and afternoon Pittsburgh Press will raise newsstand prices by 10 cents effective New Year's Day.

That would take both papers from 25 cents to 35 cents per single issue.

The Post-Gazette bases its report on several news dealers saying they had been informed in writing of the PG's price hike and verbally about the plans to increase the price of The Press.

Officially, though, Post-Gazette management is saying it will make an announcement regarding prices soon. A Press spokesman said any price increase will be announced in the newspaper.

The Post-Gazette and Press operate under a joint operating agreement, sharing advertising departments but maintaining separate editorial departments.

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PHOENIX (DEC. 27) UPI - Discounter Southwest Airlines said Thursday it will cut one-way unrestricted fares to $20 on 11 of its Phoenix and Las Vegas routes.

Dallas-based Southwest said the offer, part of its 20th anniversary celebration, is good for tickets purchased through Jan. 20 for travel between Jan. 3 and April 5.

The promotion covers Phoenix routes to the following cities: Los Angeles; San Diego, Calif.; Las Vegas, Nev.; El Paso, Texas; Albuquerque, N.M.; Ontario, Calif., and Oakland, Calif. The $20 fare is also being offered between Las Vegas and Reno, Nev., Phoenix or San Diego.

Southwest spokeswoman Ginger Shearburn said the one-way fares on the 11 routes in the promotion typically range between $24 and $48.

Southwest's major competitor in the region, Phoenix-based America West

Airlines, has not decided whether to match Southwest's fare cuts.

''We are still studying the implications of Southwest's moves,'' said spokesman Michael Mitchell.

Southwest, which said it is the nation's eighth-largest independent airline, has been partly responsible for starting several fare wars in the highly competitive corridor between Los Angeles and the San Francisco Bay Area.

Two weeks ago, Southwest announced a $20 fare for flights between Oakland and the Los Angeles suburbs of Burbank and Ontario with a 21-day advance purchase for travel between Jan. 3 and Feb. 28. Other carriers on the routes - American Delta, United and USAir - matched the fare cuts.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) UPI - Yields fell on 4-year T-notes Thursday to an average of 7.66 percent, the lowest since 7.65 percent on Dec. 20, 1989, the Treasury Department announced.

The government said it auctioned $8.56 billion of the 7 5/8 percent interest rate notes at an average of $99.881. At the last auction Sept. 26, the average yield was 8.53 percent.

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#90361u0929 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) UPI - The nation's major stock exchanges will be opening late today following a spectacular accident early this morning in lower Manhattan. A below-ground electrical transformer exploded, sending flames eight stories high and igniting a fire. The blast occurred outside a Water Steet building housing the computer-clearing system that serves both the New York and the American stock exchanges. Employees have been allowed back into the building but authorities have NO timetable, yet, on when the exchanges can open.

Fewer orders last month for airplanes and automobiles helped produce a 10-point-five percent drop in orders for the durable goods produced by American factories. And that matches the 32-year record drop set in January. The Commerce Department report shows orders were down throughout most industries last month. Durable goods are those designed to last three or more years.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein told his ambassadors in Baghdad today that he wants to hold- quote- ''serious'' talks with the United States on the Persian Gulf crisis. Saddam recalled the ambassadors home from Washington and Europe earlier this week for consultations. The official Iraqi news agency INA quotes Saddam as saying he wants the talks, but that they must also include the

Palestinian question. It's the second time in a week Saddam reportedly has called for U-S-Iraqi talks.

Algeria, once a French colony, has a new law on the books that makes Arabic the official language for government, industry and commerce. The Algerian Parliament voted, 173-8, to forbid the use of any foreign language in the country. But parliament members say the real idea is to limit- and eventually end- the widespread use of French within Algeria.

Soviet lawmakers are fast studies when it comes to learning Western ways of how legislatures should work. Delegates at the Soviet Parliament have rejected Mikhail Gorbachev's personal choice to become the first vice president to ever serve in the Soviet Union. But the name of Gennady Yanayev was quickly put out as the only candidate for a second round of balloting. Yanayev fell 31 votes short of what was needed in the first round.

Gale warnings are up on the Puget Sound area of Washington as a powerful winter storm moves into the region, bringing winds of 50 miles per hour and four inches of snow. And that means the system will eventually move east to pound other areas of the country. California is just now recovering from unseasonably cold weather that may have already damaged half of the state's citrus crop.

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#90361u0942 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 27) UPI - President Mikhail Gorbachev said Thursday that a decision by the Russian republic to slash its contribution to the central budget could lead to ''the destruction of not only the economy but the entire union.''

Gorbachev's castigation of the Russian republic's action was the opening shot in a looming struggle over the budget that could define the future of the country.

''We will follow the path of forming the budget in accordance with the laws of the Soviet Union,'' Gorbachev told the U.S.S.R. Congress of People's Deputies. ''No one has annulled them, and no one has the right to annul them. I will proceed from this (principle) as president.''

The Russian Parliament decided Wednesday to cut its contribution to the central government next year from the 1990 level of about $242 billion at the official exchange rate to $39.8 billion - a loss of nearly 40 percent of the current national budget.

In forming its own 1991 budget, Russia's legislature reserved most of what was previously given to the Soviet government for programs it will control within the republic, which covers three-quarters of the Soviet Union and is home to

half its population.

The move was part of efforts by Russia and the other Soviet republics to assert their sovereignty.

Russia's Parliament, in the giant republic's latest challenge under the aggressive leadership of Boris Yeltsin, said it was giving the central government what was necessary for national defense and other powers ''delegated to the center.''

The standing Soviet Parliament, which meets between biannual sessions of the larger Congress, has been unable to form a national budget for next year because of the disagreements over distribution of resources.

Faced with the new rebellion from the dominant Russian republic, the Soviet Congress passed a resolution Thursday directing Gorbachev and the Council of the Federation, which includes the heads of the 15 republics, to complete a 1991 budget by Jan. 10.

The national legislature approved a separate measure earlier in the week, freezing all economic relations between the central government and the republics at their 1990 levels for the first three months of the new year.

Soviet Finance Minister Valentin Pavlov said at the Congress of People's Deputies that the Russian Parliament's decision would endanger ''the entire system of all-union programs,'' including social payments and science and education.

Gorbachev denounced the action as a dangerous escalation of what has been called the ''war of laws'' between the republics and the central government, with each side claiming its actions should take precedence.

''Everything that we have done before will be destroyed, because every republic will then try to save as much of its resources as it can, '' Gorbachev said. ''This would be the destruction not only of the economy but of the entire union.

''This is more than a war of laws, this is destruction not only of the economy but of the country.''

Some deputies demanded that Yeltsin, who is also a member of the Congress, be called to the session to explain the action, but he was on a previously scheduled trip to the Yakutia region of Siberia.

Pavlov said that about 90 percent of the national budget came from three republics - Russia, Byelorussia and the Ukraine - but he did not give a specific percentage for Russia.

The Soviet finance minister added that the Russian action would also lead to a ''war of prices'' as each republic raised prices and taxes to protect its own budget.

The Russian budget approved Wednesday calls for a new sales tax, an income tax and levies on profits by enterprises, the official Communist Party newspaper Pravda said.

The budget entails massive spending on the revival of Russian agriculture and villages and the construction of schools, roads and other infrastructure. It also includes funding for science, culture, education and medicine - areas the Russian government considers its domain, not the central government's.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) UPI - After weeks of almost daily contacts between Iraq and the United States, the State Department reported no progress Thursday on the search for an acceptable date for direct high-level talks.

Mark Dillen, a State Department spokesman, said there will be no new U.S. propposals for another set of dates for the talks. ''The ball's in Iraq's court,'' Dillen said.

Dillen said there has been no substantive progress and no Iraqi counter-proposal for a mutually acceptable date for a trip to Baghdad by Secretary of State James Baker.

The meetings have been taking place in Baghdad and involve almost daily sessions between Iraqi deputy Foreign Minister Nizar Hamdoun and Joseph Wilson the acting U.S. ambassador.

President Bush, speaking briefly to reporters Thursday about the exchanges, said, ''There's nothing going on.''

The United States proposed that the meeting between Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein take place between Dec. 20 and Jan. 3.

Iraq appears to be sticking to its proposal of Jan. 12, a date rejected by the United States because it would not leave enough time for Iraq to comply with the U.N. resolution demanding its withdrawl from Kuwait by Jan. 15.

Reports from Baghdad indicate that Saddam has lost interest in meeting Baker because of the Bush administration's position that it will not negotiate around the U.N. mandate.

Saddam has been quoted as telling his ambassadors that he is trying to move the discussion into ''a serious exchange'' with the United States that would

involve other issues, including the Palestinian question.

Last week, Saddam recalled his key ambassadors - including the envoy to the United States - for ''consultations.''

Baker predicted last week that Saddam would try to devise a dramatic attempt to circumvent the U.N. dealdine and asked allies to stand united behind the demand for unconditional withdrawl.

The statements by Saddam, as reported by the Iraqi News Agency, appeared to mean that his tactic will be to press for a diplomatic compromise, while at the same time making public preparations for war.

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CHICAGO (DEC. 27) UPI - Closing range of meat futures prices traded on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Thursday.

Live Beef Cattle - 40,000 lbs; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Feb	77.68	77.70	77.20	77.25	77.57
Apr	76.97	76.97	76.47	76.50	76.90
Jun	74.95	75.05	74.72	74.80	74.95
Aug	73.30	73.38	73.10	73.10	73.30
Oct	73.30	73.30	73.00	73.00	73.00
Dec	74.00	74.00	74.00	73.80	74.00
Feb	....	....	....	73.80	74.00

Est. sales 8,287 contracts; Wednesday 12,241; open interest: 70,074 up 149.

Feeder Cattle - 44,000 lbs; cents per lb

Jan	89.45	89.45	89.15	89.20	89.50
Mar	86.93	87.00	86.70	86.85	86.88
Apr	85.32	85.32	85.05	85.15	85.35
May	84.10	84.15	83.95	84.13	84.22
Aug	83.85	83.85	83.60	83.65	83.65
Sep	83.13	83.13	83.13	83.13	83.10
Oct	82.90	82.95	82.80	82.80	82.93
Nov	....	....	....	83.00	83.00

Est. sales 1,035 contracts; Wednesday 1,011; open interest: 12,128 up 56.

Live Hogs - 30,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb	48.90	49.17	48.75	48.83	48.72
Apr	47.35	47.67	47.15	47.20	47.40
Jun	51.85	52.15	51.60	51.72	51.95
Jul	51.90	52.10	51.72	51.78	52.00
Aug	50.15	50.35	50.00	50.08	50.22
Oct	....	44.90	44.88	44.88	44.80
Dec	....	....	....	45.42	45.42

Est. sales 5,948 contracts; Wednesday 3,835; open interest: 24,065 up 299.

Frozen Pork Bellies - 38,000 lbs; cents per lb

Feb 64.50 64.95 62.85 62.88 64.80
Mar 64.15 64.55 62.50 62.63 64.40
May 64.65 65.25 63.15 63.35 65.15
Jul 64.45 64.95 63.00 63.13 64.60
Aug 62.75 62.80 60.95 60.97 62.75 Est. sales 3,590 contracts; Wednesday 1,808; open interest: 12,170 off 150.

CARLOTS

DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) - Midwest carlot fresh cut meat trade Thursday:

Estimated composite of boxed beef cut-out values based on carlot prices of fabricated beef cuts and industry yields, including change from previous day.

Choice 1-3 550-700 lbs. 128.70 down 17 cents, 700-850 lbs. 127.72 down 37 cents; select 1-3 550-700 lbs. 119.16 down 8 cents, 700-850 lbs. 118.42 down 4 cents.

Pork carlot trading slow; demand light to moderate; fresh pork loins lower; Boston butts not tested; skinned hams and seedless bellies steady to lower; pork loins 14-18 lbs. 100.50-102.00; hams 17-20 lbs. 70.00, 20-26 lbs. 63.00-67.00; bellies 12-14 lbs. 57.00, 14-16 lbs. 57.00, 16-18 lbs. 56.00.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - A few months before her 32nd birthday, and three years after she had won her last tournament, Beth Daniel was struck down with mononucleosis.

For the woman who once had been touted as golf's next superstar, it was a time for serious reflection and soul-searching, a time to determine if she still wanted a future in the game she loved.

During the 13 weeks of recuperation in that summer of 1988, Daniel went home and considered her situation. To her mind, she returned to the LPGA Tour a different woman and a more competent competitor.

''There were a series of things troubling me,'' she said. ''I had some back problems, I had mono, and it was easy to fall back on injuries and illnesses to explain what happened with my golf game. I know that had something to do with my game not being what it should be. It got to a point where I was playing bad golf, and I didn't have the desire.

''I decided I didn't want to leave the sport on a sour note, and what it (the illness) did for me was refuel my fire and make me have a lot of desire to come back and prove I was one of the best players on the LPGA Tour. I had something to prove, which has always been a real motivating force for me.''

It wasn't until August 1989 that Daniel won again, capturing the Greater

Washington Open. She then captured three of her next seven tournaments, and has lost very little since then.

In 1990 Daniel enjoyed a year of unparallelled success. She won seven tournaments, including her first major, the Mazda LPGA Championship, led the LPGA money list with a record $863,578, was the Player of the Year and won the Vare Trophy with a scoring average of 70.54.

As a result, Daniel was chosen by United Press International as the Female Athlete of the Year.

''Obviously I think it's wonderful, especially to be named Female Athlete of the Year when you consider the top athletes in other sports,'' Daniel said from her home in Delray Beach, Fla. ''It makes my year stand out more.''

In addition to her individual victories, Daniel also helped the LPGA crush a European team in the first Solheim Cup and she teamed with Davis Love III to capture the mixed team championship.

''This year definitely fulfilled a lot of dreams and even went beyond that,'' said the 34-year-old Daniel. ''It was by far my best year on tour. I had a lot of great things happen to me and it's been a fabulous year. The last three years I've played really well. Even though I didn't win when I came back in 1988, I played extremely good golf and carried confidence from that.

''There's been a building of confidence, so when I'm in contention I feel I should win a golf tournament.''

The big kick for Daniel was winning the Mazda LPGA Championship in July. That was the 22nd victory of her career, but her first major.

''That was something that was missing in my career,'' she said. ''Here I've won over 20 events but not a major. It was like a void, and to win that really meant a lot.''

Daniel had come close before to capturing a major, and her failures had crushed her. In the 1981 U.S. Open she lost by one shot to Pat Bradley despite a final-round 68, and she was the leader for three rounds at the 1983 Nabisco Dinah Shore before losing to Amy Alcott.

The Open defeat was probably the single biggest disappointment of her career. She remembers thinking, ''I just played as good as I'm capable of playing and I lost. Therefore I'll never be the best.''

After enjoying a month of leisure at her new home, Daniel planned to begin serious practice for a new campaign just after Christmas. Her first start of the new year will be the Jamaica Classic the second week of January.

''I don't know if I can surpass 1990,'' she said. ''That was a phenomenal year. Basically my goals for 1991 are going to be pretty simple. Sure, I want to be in the winner's circle, and I can say I want to be Player of the Year again and win the Vare again, but you can't set goals like that and I've never done it.

''I want to go out and enjoy playing, to work hard so I can stay at top form, and try to win some golf tournaments. It's not fair to myself to go out in '91 and expect to do the same things I did in '90. If that happens, that would be great, but if not, it won't be the end of the world. I'm in a position now where I just want to enjoy the game.''

Following her collegiate career at Wake Forest, where one teammate was Betsy King - now her most persistent rival on the Tour - Daniel turned pro in 1979. She admits to being cocky, and her early performance bore out her own expectations. Daniel won a tournament in her first year, the Patty Berg Classic, and was named Rookie of the Year.

In 1980 Daniel soared to the top, winning four tournaments, earning a then-record $231,000 and being chosen Player of the Year. She won twice the following year and was a five-time winner in 1982, but managed only two more victories before re-emerging to the top in 1989.

Through it all, she has learned a lesson that complements well her natural ability to play the game.

''You have to keep working at golf,'' she says, ''because it can turn around on you at any time.''

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#90361u1027 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 27) UPI - Steady selling throughout the day pressured grain and soybean futures Thursday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Closing prices were lower, although the volume was light as many traders were taking an extended holiday.

Cold weather the past few days in the nation's midsection has raised concern over possible winterkill of the wheat crop and has resulted in supplemental feeding of livestock.

Although moderating temperatures were expected through Saturday, the extended outlook called for the return of cold weather early next week.

Scattered export sales limited the losses. Algeria and South Korea bought a small quantity of wheat and Taiwan was in the market for corn and soybeans.

Soybean oil was pressured by indications that Pakistan may buy soyoil from South America rather than the United States.

Country movement was light and basis levels were steady to firm.

At the close, corn was unchanged to off 2, soybeans down 1 3/4 to 5 1/4, wheat off 1/2 to 3 3/4 and oats down 3/4 to 1 3/4.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Foreign and domestic gold, silver, platinum and palladium prices quoted in dollars per troy ounce Thursday:

Gold		
London		
Previous close fix	383.50	unchanged
Morning fixing	383.75	up 0.25
Afternoon fixing	382.80	off 0.70
Close	382.50	off 1.00
Paris	383.98	up 0.72
Zurich	383.50	unchanged
Hong Kong	384.65	up 0.40
New York		
Comex spot close	385.30	off 0.30
Republic cash	384.75	up 0.25
Handy and Harman	382.80	off 1.45

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for refining, settling and unfabricated gold of 384.10 off 1.40 per troy ounce. Selling price, fabricated gold 403.31 off 1.52 per troy ounce.

Silver		
Comex spot close	4.093	off 0.002
Republic cash	4.105	off 0.015

Handy and Harman quoted silver at 4.075 per fine ounce up 0.005

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for industrial silver of 4.07 off 0.01 and a price for fabricated silver products of 4.355 off 0. 011

Platinum

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion platinum of 406.75 off 3.75 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated platinum of 506.75 off 3.75.

Palladium

Engelhard Corp. quoted a base price for bullion palladium of 84.00 off 3.75 per troy ounce and a price for fabricated palladium of 99.00 off 3.75.

(London price fixing changes are based on the previous day's closing price.)

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#90361u1045 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 27) UPI - Closing grain futures range on the Chicago Board of Trade Thursday:

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Wheat (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Mar	2.66 1/4	2.66 1/2	2.61 1/2	2.62 1/4	2.66
May	2.73 1/2	2.73 1/2	2.69	2.69 1/2	2.73
Jly	2.77 1/2	2.77 1/2	2.73	2.74 1/4	2.77
Sep	2.83 1/4	2.83 1/4	2.80 1/4	2.80 1/4	2.83 1/4
Dec	2.95 1/2	2.95 1/2	2.94	2.94	2.94 1/2
Mar	3.00	3.00	2.99	2.99	....
Corn (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Mar	2.34 3/4	2.35	2.32 3/4	2.33	2.35
May	2.42 1/4	2.42 1/2	2.40 1/2	2.40 3/4	2.42 3/4
Jly	2.48 3/4	2.49 1/4	2.47 1/2	3.47 3/4	2.49 1/4
Sep	2.50 1/2	2.51 1/2	2.49 1/4	2.49 1/4	2.50 3/4
Dec	2.51 3/4	2.53	2.51	2.51 1/4	2.52 1/4
Mar	2.59	2.59	2.58	2.58	2.58 1/4
May	2.62	2.62	2.62	2.62	2.62
Oats (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Mar	1.14 1/4	1.15 3/4	1.13	1.13	1.14 3/4
May	1.20 1/4	1.21 1/4	1.19	1.19	1.20 1/2
Jly	1.27	1.28 1/4	1.25 1/2	1.25 1/2	1.26 1/2
Sep	1.30 1/4	1.30 1/2	1.30 1/4	1.30 1/2	1.31 1/4
Dec	1.38 3/4	1.38 3/4	1.38 3/4	1.38 3/4	1.39 3/4
Soybeans (5,000 bu; $ per bu)					
Jan	5.66	5.68	5.61 1/4	5.61 3/4	5.66 1/2
Mar	5.82 1/2	5.83 1/4	5.77	5.77 1/4	5.82 1/2
May	5.96 1/2	5.97 1/4	5.91	5.91 1/4	5.96 1/2
Jly	6.11	6.11 1/2	6.05	6.05 1/2	6.10 3/4
Aug	6.13 1/2	6.13 3/4	6.08	6.08	6.13
Sep	6.08 1/2	6.10	6.06 1/2	6.07	6.09 1/4
Nov	6.12 1/2	6.15	6.09 1/2	6.09 3/4	6.12 1/4
Jan	6.21	6.21 1/2	....	6.21 1/4	6.23
Mar	6.36	6.36	6.34	6.34	6.36
Soyoil (60,000 lb; cents per lb)					
Jan	20.93	20.96	20.78	20.86	20.94
Mar	21.34	21.37	21.19	21.24	21.34
May	21.70	21.73	21.54	21.57	21.70
Jul	21.95	21.97	21.76	21.79	21.92
Aug	21.80	21.80	21.72	21.72	21.85

Sep	21.84	21.84	21.70	21.70	21.80
Oct	21.80	21.80	21.80	21.80	21.95
Dec	21.90	21.90	21.77	21.77	21.90
Jan	21.30	21.50	....	21.40	21.62

Soymeal (100 tons; $ per ton)

Jan	166.10	166.30	163.20	163.30	165.90
Mar	171.50	171.50	168.30	168.40	170.90
May	175.50	175.90	172.20	172.30	175.20
Jul	179.70	180.20	176.30	176.40	179.40
Aug	181.50	181.50	177.80	177.80	181.00
Sep	181.50	181.50	177.50	177.50	180.70
Oct	180.00	180.00	178.50	178.50	179.60
Dec	182.50	183.50	181.00	181.00	182.70
Jan	178.00	179.00	....	178.50	180.70

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(DEC. 27) UPI - The Securities and Exchange Commission asked all of the nation's stock exchanges to delay their openings until the computers serving the New York and American stock exchanges were back in service. The exchanges were up and running again by midday. The delay followed an early morning explosion and fire at a building housing the computers.

The Congress of People's Deputies today elected President Gorbachev's nominee for the Soviet Union's first vice president. But Gennady Yanayev's election came only after opposition forced a second uncontested ballot for the post. In the first round, he fell 31 votes short of a majority.

The exiled foreign minister of occupied Kuwait says it is ''too late'' for Iraq to talk its way out of the Persian Gulf crisis. That word comes as Iraq's Saddam Hussein tells recalled ambassadors to Washington and Europe that he wants to hold ''serious'' talks with the United States about the crisis.

Two senior but unnamed administration sources are quoted as saying President Bush will be ready to exercise military options against Iraq January 15th even if U-S troops areN'T completely up to the task. Some Army leaders worry the troops woN'T be ready by the U-N's deadline.

South African authorities today announced plans to launch the nation's most sweeping anti-crime campaign in years. The move follows a holiday wave of violence that left at least 22 people dead and hundreds injured. A senior police official says- ''We've just reached the end of our tether.''

Anyone wanting to buy alcohol or beer, fur coats or luxury automobiles had better do so before the end of the year. Federal taxes on all those items go up January 1st. The auto tax includes NOT only one on any vehicle costing more

than 30-thousand dollars but a doubling of the gas guzzler tax as well.

The government has spent nearly 364-thousand dollars on transporting deposed Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega from his jail cell to and from the Miami federal courthouse 24 miles away. The U- S Marshall Service attributes the high tab to the ''extraordinary costs of security details'' for the former dictator.

In New York, police say there were NO smoke detectors in a Brooklyn house where four people died today in a raging fire that swept through the two-story residence. Authorities say the house was being heated by illegal kerosene heaters in the sub-freezing temperatures. Two pregnant women escaped from the building unharmed.

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#90361u1076 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Standard & Poor's hourly stock indexes (1982 average equals 100 for transportation; all others 1941-43 equals 10):

	400 Ind	20 Trns	40 Util	40 Fncl	500 Stocks
Previous	387.09	235.91	144.84	23.88	330.85
Opening	387.08	236.03	144.84	23.89	330.85
11 a.m.	387.04	235.91	144.84	23.89	330.82
Noon	387.27	235.43	145.05	23.86	331.01
1 p.m.	387.15	235.44	145.04	23.85	330.90
2 p.m.	386.47	234.82	144.91	23.74	330.29
3 p.m.	384.54	234.38	144.18	23.57	328.60

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#90361u1079 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - World sugar No. 11 futures closed Thursday 14 to 21 points lower.

SUGAR No. 11

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	9.89	10.01	9.68	9.70	9.90
May	9.93	10.04	9.74	9.75	9.93
Jly	9.98	10.05	9.78	9.79	10.00
Oct	9.97	10.05	9.78	9.79	9.98
Mar	9.97	10.06	9.95	9.83	9.97

Estimated sales: 22,910 contracts

Open interest: 108,117 up 710

World sugar No. 11 spot price: 9.78

NEW YORK (UPI) - Domestic sugar No. 14 futures closed Thursday unchanged to 5 points lower.

SUGAR No. 14

CS&CE - 112,000 lbs.; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev
Mar	22.36	22.36	22.33	22.33	22.36
May	22.50	22.50	22.46	22.46	22.49
Jly	22.60	22.60	22.56	22.57	22.61
Sep	22.59	22.59	22.59	22.59	22.59
Nov	22.55	22.55	22.55	22.55	22.60
Jan	22.75	....	....	22.67	22.69
Mar	22.75	....	....	22.67	22.70

Estimated sales: 736 contracts

Open interest: 12,643 up 96

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#90361u1086 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

SEA GIRT, N.J. (DEC. 27) UPI - Investigators were trying Thursday to determine the source - or the destination - of 65 kilograms of high- grade cocaine worth $1.8 million that washed up on a beach two blocks from the New Jersey State Police Academy.

The cocaine, which might bring up to $15 million on the street, apparently went astray en route to distributors in the New York metropolitan area.

Employees of the Sea Girt Department of Public Works found a 4-foot by 1-foot fiberglass container last Friday as they cleaned up debris from a winter storm. Sea Girt Mayor William MacInnes said they turned the container over to borough police without examining the contents because they feared it might hold explosives or a harmful substance.

Don Peppler, head of the Monmouth County Narcotics Strike Force, said authorities did not publicize the find immediately because investigators wanted to try to trace the cocaine without whoever lost it knowing it had been found.

''This is by far the largest quantity of cocaine to have washed up in Monmouth County,'' Peppler said.

The container, which was reinforced with wood, could have been carried on board a boat, dropped from a plane or towed behind or under a boat.

''Obviously it was meant to be transported by ship,'' MacInnes said. ''You could never smuggle something like that - it was too big. It had to be put on a boat.''

The cocaine would bring $1.8 million wholesale or close to $15 million if cut

for street sale, Peppler said.

Investigators at first considered that someone might be using Monmouth County beaches to land drugs. But police found no indications of other containers on the beaches or offshore.

Peppler said that bales of marijuana and small quantities of cocaine have occasionally washed up in Monmouth County, but nothing the size of the shipment.

The Drug Enforcement Administration and Coast Guard have occasionally seized large quantities offshore. A DEA spokesman said that drug importers have been using boats for transport, towing the drugs and that tow ropes sometimes break accidentally or lines are cut when crew members see the Coast Guard approaching.

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#90361u1110 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 27) UPI - Thursday's truck and rail bids for grain delivered to Chicago, including delivery time, price and change from previous business day:

No. 2 soft wheat: up to 30 days, 2.42 1/4-2.47 1/4 off 3 3/4.

No. 1 yellow soybeans: up to 15 days, 5.58 3/4- 5.61 3/4 off 4 3/4.

Terminal elevator bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.23-2.26 off 2.

Processor bids: No. 2 yellow corn, up to 15 days, 2.37-2.37 1/2 off 2.

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#90361u1118 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Kevin McReynolds signed a 3-year contract extension with the New York Mets that will pay the outfielder $8.75 million through 1994 the club announced Thursday.

McReynolds, who batted .269 with 24 home runs and 84 RBI in 147 games last season, had one year remaining on his contract.

He will earn $2.1 million in 1991. Under his extension, the Mets will pay him $3 million in 1992, $3.25 million in '93 and $2.5 million '94. The contract includes an option for 1995 worth $3.6 million.

McReynolds, 31, is a career .270 hitter in seven seasons with 167 homers and 621 RBI. He has hit at least 20 homers in each of his last four years, all with the Mets.

''The front office likes McReynolds' consistency,'' said Al Harazin, the Mets' senior vice president. ''He will give you between .270 and . 280, 20 and 30 homers and between 85 and 100 RBI.''

He has been a left fielder with the Mets, but may move to center next season because New York acquired right fielder Hubie Brooks and left fielder Vince Coleman during the off-season.

''I have played and can play any of the three of posistions,'' McReynolds said. ''It's up to Buddy (Harrelson, the manager), but I do want everyone to understand that there is an adjustment should I play center or right and there could be a couple of mistakes while I adjust.''

McReynolds, quiet in the clubhouse, has been criticized for his low profile.

''What this management likes about McReynolds is his substance,'' Harazin said. ''He comes to play and he plays hard. He has talent. It's his style that is criticized here in New York and we don't think that means much.''

He says he will not change his style, even with Darryl Strawberry gone to Los Angeles.

''I am not taking Darryl Strawberry's place,'' McReynolds said. ''This was not Darryl's team and it's not going to be Kevin McReynolds' team. Darryl is where he wants to be, but this is a team game and the Mets are consistently there at the finish and figure to be favored again this year.''

McReynolds was acquired by the Mets before the 1987 season from San Diego along with pitcher Gene Walter and infielder Adam Ging for outfielders Kevin Mitchell, Shawn Abner and Stanley Jefferson and pitcher Kevin Brown.

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(DEC. 27) UPI - MARKETS AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

NYSE Stocks - Lower in dull trading.

Bonds - Slightly lower.

American Stocks - Lower in thin trading.

London Stocks - Closed higher in light trading.

Tokyo Stocks - Closed slightly higher in thin trading.

Dollar - Mixed against key foreign currencies.

Gold Futures - Mixed.

Cotton - Lower.

Chicago Grain Futures - Corn closed unchanged to off 2, soybeans down 1 3/4 to 5 1/4, wheat off 1/2 to 3 3/4 and oats down 3/4 to 1 3/4.

Cattle trade - Sales insufficient to establish a market trend.

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#90361u1129 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) UPI - COMMODITY FUTURES AT A GLANCE

By United Press International

Cocoa - $22 to $31 a ton lower for a 10 metric ton contract.

Coffee - 0.30 to 0.90 cent a pound higher for a 37,500-pound contract.

Copper - 0.80 cent higher to 0.65 cent a pound lower for a 25,000-pound contract.

Cotton - 0.33 to 0.38 cent a pound lower for a 50,000-pound contract.

Gold - On the Comex $0.20 higher to $1.20 an ounce lower for a 100-troy-ounce contract.

Platinum - $3.30 to $3.80 an ounce lower for a 50-troy-ounce contract.

Orange Juice - 0.35 cent to 1.60 cent a pound lower for a 15,000-pound contract.

Silver - On the Comex 0.2 to 0.8 cent an ounce lower for a 5,000-troy-ounce contract.

World Sugar - 0.014 to 0.021 cent a pound lower for a 112,000-pound contract.

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#90361u1141 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

BOSTON (DEC. 27) UPI - Legislation giving Massachusetts some of the nation's toughest curbs on smog-causing automobile tailpipe emissions was signed Thursday by Gov. Michael S. Dukakis.

''For the first time in 20 years, we have a fighting chance of cleaning up the air we breathe,'' said Democratic state Rep. David Cohen, the chief House

sponsor the bill.

''It also has enormous national implications because the action Massachusetts has taken will be a catalyst to spur other states to adopt stricter standards '' he said.

The regulations will require manufacturers to reduce tailpipe hydrocarbon emissions by 75 percent and nitrogen oxide tailpipe emissions by 50 percent through the mid-1990s.

As approved by the Legislature, the regulations were to be phased in beginning in 1993, but that is expected to be postponed for two years because of last-minute negotiations between environmentalists and representatives of the auto industry.

Industry officials objected to the measure - which imposes restrictions far tougher than those contained in the federal Clean Air Act signed by President Bush in the fall - saying it would damage car dealerships already struggling with the economic recession.

The delay until 1995 is supposed to give neighboring states time to enact their own auto emissions laws, reducing the impact on Massachusetts dealers.

The state's air quality has deteriorated to the point where it violated federal health standards on at least 40 days over the past three summers, according to the Massachusetts Public Interest Research Group, a prime supporter of the measure.

Dukakis also signed a bill Thursday granting state protection to an estimated 400 species of animals and plants considered to be endangered. Among those on the list are the common barn owl, the short-eared owl, the piping plover, the water shrew and several varieties of orchids.

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#90361u1163 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (DEC. 27) UPI - Yugoslavia's vice president said a critical meeting Thursday of the crisis-ridden country's senior political leaders was not likely to resolve the nation's growing financial morass because of major disagreements over economic policy.

Vice President Stipe Mesic said at a news conference Thursday serious differences over economic policy would pit the four republics with nationalist governments against Communist-ruled Serbia, Montenegro and the province of Vojvodina, and the Marxist-led military.

''I expect no results from this meeting,'' said Mesic, Croatia's representative on the collective head of state. He is due to assume the

nation's annual rotating presidentship in May.

He specifically targeted recommendations by experts commissioned by the current president, Borisav Jovic of Serbia's Communist Party, calling for keeping Yugoslavia's unique Marxist-variant economic system of social ownership, under which enterprises and property are managed by users and workers, but have no clear owners.

The meeting was called by the eight-man collective head of state to review federal economic plans for 1991 and the severe problems created for the national budget by the withholding of $1 billion in contributions by the governments of the republics because of their own precarious finances.

The session included the eight members of the state presidency, the presidents of five of the six republics, federal Prime Minister Ante Markovic and members of his Cabinet, an official statement said. It convened in the early afternoon and there was no word on when it would conclude.

The meeting was also expected to discuss the festering dispute over the future political framework of Yugoslavia, which Croatia and Slovenia are demanding be converted from a federation into a confederation of independent states because of fears of economic and political domination by Serbia, the largest republic. Slovenia on Sunday approved a plebliscite on secession and said it will declare independence in six months if confederation is not approved.

Serbia's ruling Communists oppose confederation unless its borders are expanded to include Serbian enclaves in other republics.

Markovic was scheduled to present the results of the conference to a joint session of the federal Parliament on Friday afternoon.

Until the federation-confederation dispute is resolved, he wants the republics to end their violations of federal fiscal directives and other actions that have undermined his year-old program of reforms aimed at turning Yugoslavia into a Western-style democracy after 45 years of communist rule.

Among other acts, the six republics spent $16 billion more than the amount set in Markovic's anti-inflation policy, a key to his reform program.

Nationalists who ousted communists in Croatia, Slovenia, Macedonia and Bosnia-Hercegovina earlier in the year support Markovic's moves to privatize large portions of socially owned properties, although they object to other parts of his program, particularly plans to boost the central government's monetary and taxation powers.

''The general disagreement is over the parts about social ownership and reprivatization. That is the part of greatest discord,'' contended Mesic, who said that Yugoslavia would be excluded from the economic fruits of European

integration if it maintained the social ownership system.

Social ownership is regarded by Western experts as a major cause of the republics' fiscal woes because it was used by their leaderships to maintain their power bases, with politically controlled banks for years financing inefficient and unprofitable enterprises through the unrestricted printing of money, which resulted in 1989 in hyperinflation.

Markovic has sought to uproot the system by restricting the money supply and other measures, forcing the closure of hundreds of failing firms and banks and depriving the republics of revenues.

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#90361u1176 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Money Rates Thursday as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

Prime Rate: 10.00

Discount Rate: 6.50
Bankers Acceptance:

30 to 59 days 8.99

60 to 89 days 8.18

90 to 119 days 7.97

120 to 149 days 7.80

150 to 179 days 7.30

180 to 270 days 7.47

Commercial Paper (range):

Dealer's 30 to 180 days 9.00 - 7.60

Issuers 30 days 7.70

Issuers 90 days 7.23

Issuers 270 days 6.65

Secondary Certificates of Deposit:

30 to 59 days 9.15

60 to 89 days 8.35

90 to 119 days 8.20

120 to 149 days 8.10

150 to 179 days 7.90

180 days 7.85

Broker Call Loan Rate: 9.00

Eurodollar Rates:

(Interest rates in secondary market

Bid and Offered)

Overnight 10.00 - 12.00

1 month 9.125 - 9.25

3 month 8 3-16 - 8 5-16

6 month 8.75 - 8.875

Year 7 9-16 - 7 13-16

U.S. Treasury Bills:

(Secondary market discount rate:

Bid and Offered)

3 months 6.47 - 6.45

6 months 6.57 - 6.55

Year 6.51 - 6.49

Federal Funds: High 10, Low 7 1/4, Close 9

Telerate Interest Rate Index Thursday: 7.70 off 0.064.
(Source: Telerate Systems Inc.)

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#90361u1188 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

MOSCOW (DEC. 27) UPI - The Congress of People's Deputies elected Mikhail Gorbachev's choice as the first Soviet vice president Thursday, but only after opposition forced a second uncontested ballot for the post.

Gennady Yanayev, a career Communist Party official, received 1,237 votes on the second ballot, 148 votes more than in the first vote and well above the 1,120-vote threshold he needed for a majority of the legislature's 2,239 members.

Yanayev, 53, overcame resistance from liberal deputies who accused him of being a party functionary with few credentials for helping to chart the country's rocky course toward a market economy.

Algimantas Chekuolis, a deputy from the rebellious Baltic republic of Lithuania, branded Yanayev as ''a carbon copy of other high-level apparatchiks - sleek, brilliant and out of touch with reality.''

Yanayev, however, told reporters several minutes after his election: ''The most difficult task will be recognizing human pain and suffering, and taking quick and adequate steps to alleviate it.''

Yanayev, filling a post created only Tuesday in Gorbachev's government overhaul, becomes the first vice president of the Soviet Union since the country's formation after the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution.

The nation's supreme legislature adjourned Thursday evening, ending a 10-day session overshadowed in large measure by Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze's suprise resignation announcement last week.

There were 563 votes against Yanayev, 23 ballots were invalid and other deputies were either boycotting the session or did not vote.

''In accordance with the constitution and the election rules of the Congress, Deputy Yanayev has been elected vice president of the Soviet Union,'' said Yuri Osipoyan, chairman of the official election commission. Deputies responded with brief, mild applause.

The first-ballot setback for Yanayev, who fell 31 votes short on the first poll while running unopposed at the Congress, was seen as a blow for Gorbachev and his attempt to bolster presidential rule in the country.

But Gorbachev immediately nominated Yanayev for a second ballot, telling deputies he felt they would vote for his candidate once they ''get aquainted with him.''

''I want to work next to a person whom I trust completely,'' Gorbachev said in his second nomination speech.

There were no other nominations, and deputies voted in a second secret ballot Thursday afternoon, shortly after the results of Wednesday's vote were announced.

Yanayev expressed confidence even before the second round's outcome was known.

''Of course, it would have been better to have been elected in the first round '' he said. ''But I think that the more difficult the victory, the more satisfying the result.''

Ganayev said that he had planned to withdraw his candidacy after the first round of voting, but that Gorbachev had convinced him to run again.

Deputies from five defiant republics observed full or partial boycotts of the conclave to show their independence from Moscow, depleting the pool of lawmakers who participated in the vote and making the majority of the total membership more difficult to obtain.

In another blow to Gorbachev's plans to reassert strong central power under the president, the huge Russian republic's Parliament voted Wednesday to slash its contribution to the national budget by $202 billion.

The action by Russia, the most recent defiant move under the aggressive leadership of Boris Yeltsin, was another attempt to assert its sovereignty and control its own spending.

Gorbachev denouced the move Thursday at the Congress, saying it could lead to ''the destruction not only of the economy but of the whole union.''

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#90361u1196 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Moody's Investors Service index of 15 staple commodities (Dec. 31, 1931 average equals 100; 1926 average equals 230.):

Thursday	1025.7
Wednesday	1026.0
Week ago	1021.4
Month ago	1014.4
Year ago	1052.7
1990 High	1209.9
1990 Low	1007.8

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#90361u1206 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) UPI - President Bush, playing down reports U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf will not be ready for combat by Jan. 15, said Thursday ''the situation is just right.''

He also restated that the United States will not compromise with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and that he is prepared to implement ''without conditions'' the U.N. resolution authorizing military force to remove Iraq from Kuwait after Jan. 15.

The president made the comments at two off-the-cuff encounters with reporters at the White House. Bush flew to Washington from Camp David, Md., for a half-day of work at the Oval Office and then returned to the presidential retreat where he is scheduled to spend the remainder of the holiday period.

At the White House, Bush received Soviet Ambassador Alexander Bessmertynykh who delivered a ''confidential,'' but ''friendly'' New Year's message from Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

The president would not elaborate on the message, saying he and Bessmertynykhdiscussed political and economic difficulties facing the Soviet Union. ''I think they can sort it out,'' Bush said.

The president was asked about reports in recent days that Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney and Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, had told him their inspection tour of U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf showed that they would not be prepared for combat until mid- February.

''Where did they get that stuff,'' Bush said of the media reports, adding, ''I had a very good briefing from Dick and Colin and the situation is just right.''

Asked if U.S. troops would be prepared to go to war, Bush declined to answer, saying it was ''too provocative.''

But asked if he would not send troops into battle if they were unprepared, Bush said: ''Exactly. It's under control. I've got total confidence in the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the secretary of defense, and the commanders out there with whom I talked over the holidays.''

Asked if a compromise was possible, Bush complained ''That's the problem.''

''Everybody wants me to compromise. There's not going to be a compromise with this man. That would be the worst signal to send to the people around the world that are together...''

Bush said the message to Saddam remains - ''that we're going to fully implement the United Nations resolutions, that's all. And so are the other countries.''

He told reporters he did not believe that Saddam has gotten the message ''that we are serious we are serious and our allies are serious'' in carrying out the U.N. resolution.

''I read the comments he makes about war, and I find it difficult to believe that he believes about what will happen to him,'' Bush said. ''I still am hopeful he will get the message and get out of Kuwait by the fifteenth of January totally without conditions.

''The world community has called on him to do that. It's enshrined in international law by the Security Council. I am sure he can do that. I'm not sure I believe he will,'' Bush said.

Bush also called a report in an Israeli newspaper that Secretary of State James Baker would meet with Saddam on Jan. 9 ''fully fallacious,'' adding, ''There's nothing going on on that front.'' Bush said, ''When there's any news on that, I'll be putting it out myself. I am staying directly in touch.''

In response to a question, he said his New Year's message to the American people, ''particularly at this time of the year is that we hope we'll have a peaceful resolution ... we hope the brutality that's going on in Kuwait this very minute will cease and I can guarantee to the families of those kids overseas that I will do everything in my power to see that their safety is maximized and they get the full support from the American people that they deserve.''

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#90361u1207 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - Following are 4 p.m. EST composite prices for the 20 most widely held stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange:

Ameritech	67	off 1-2
AT&T Company	30	off 1-4
BCE Inc	33 3-4	unch
Bell Atlantic	54 1-4	off 1
BellSouth Corp	54 1-2	off 3-8
Exxon Corp	51 3-8	off 3-8
Ford Motor Co	26 3-4	up 1-8
Genl Electric	57 1-4	off 1-8
General Motors	34 3-8	off 3-8
GTE Corp	29 3-8	off 1-4
IBM Corp	113 3-4	up 1-4
Mobil Oil Corp	58 1-4	unch
Nynex Corp	70 3-4	off 3-4
Pac Gas & Elec	25 3-8	up 1-8
Pacific Telesis	45 1-2	off 1-4
Phila Electric	18	unch

Sears Roebuck	25 1-4	off 3-8
Southern Co	27 1-2	off 1-4
Sthwestern Bell	55 7-8	off 1-2
US West Inc	38 5-8	off 1-4

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Foreign Exchange interbank buyer rates and foreign currency equivalents, provided by American Security Bank, Washington, D.C. Retail transactions provide fewer units of foreign currency per dollar.

	U.S.$ Equivalent		Currency per U.S.$	
	Thu	Wed	Thu	Wed
Argntn austral	.000205	.000205	4880.00	4880.00
Australia dlr	.7675	.7734	1.3029	1.2930
Austria schill	.0929	.0935	10.77	10.70
Belgium franc-c	.0316	.0314	31.62	31.85
Belgium franc-f	.0284	.0284	35.26	35.26
Brazil cruzado	.0063	.0063	157.63	157.63
Britain pound	1.8870	1.8810	.5299	.5316
Britain 1-mo	1.8010	1.8577	.5552	.5383
Britain 3-mo	1.8403	1.8403	.5434	.5434
Britain 6-mo	1.8180	1.8180	.5501	.5501
Canada dollar	.8615	.8627	1.1608	1.1592
Canada 1-mo	.8462	.8602	1.1818	1.1625
Canada 3-mo	.8551	.8551	1.1695	1.1695
Canada 6-mo	.8474	.8474	1.1801	1.1801
Chile peso-f	.003068	.003068	325.91	325.91
China yuan	.2107	.2107	4.7463	4.7463
Colombia peso	.001926	.001926	519.19	519.19
Denmark krne	.1695	.1703	5.9000	5.8725
Ecudr sucre-z	.001146	.001146	872.63	876.63
Egypt pound	.3526	.3526	2.8357	2.8357
Finlnd mrkka	.2713	.2717	3.6860	3.6800
France franc	.1923	.1920	5.1990	5.2075
France 1-mo	.1904	.1904	5.2530	5.2530
France 3-mo	.1900	.1900	5.2630	5.2630
France 6-mo	.1882	.1882	5.3140	5.3140
Greece drach	.006365	.006365	157.11	157.11
Hollnd guildr	.5790	.5782	1.7270	1.7295
HongKong dlr	.1282	.1281	7.8030	7.8045
India rupee	.0553	.0553	18.09	18.09
Indo'sa rupia	.000532	.000532	1880.00	1880.00
Iran rial	.0142	.0142	70.30	70.30
Iraq dinar	3.2446	3.2446	0.3082	0.3082
Ireland punt	1.7400	1.7365	0.5747	0.5759

Israel shekel	.4931	.4931	2.0280	2.0280
Italy lira	.000867	.000865	1153.00	1155.50
Japan yen	.007330	.007348	136.42	136.10
Japan 1-mo	.007331	.007349	136.40	136.08
Japan 3-mo	.007331	.007349	136.41	136.07
Japan 6-mo	.007331	.007349	136.41	136.08
Jordan dinar	1.5368	1.5368	.6507	.6507
Kuwait dinar	3.4247	3.4247	0.2920	0.2920
Lebanon pnd	.001837	.001837	544.35	544.35
Mexico peso-z	.000341	.000341	2929.00	2929.00
N.Zealand dlr	.5850	.5860	1.7094	1.7065
Norway krne	.1668	.1664	5.9950	6.0100
Pakistn rupee	.0463	.0463	21.61	21.61
Peru inti	.000002	.000002	492,500	492,500
P'pnes peso-z	.0365	.0365	27.41	27.41
Portugl escud	.007395	.007395	135.22	135.22
Saudi riyal	.2673	.2673	3.7406	3.7406
Singapore dlr	.5705	.5718	1.7530	1.7490
S.Africa rand	.3905	.3905	2.5610	2.5610
S.Korea won	.001398	.001398	715.50	715.50
Spain peseta	.010225	.010277	97.80	97.30
Sweden krona	.1745	.1748	5.7310	5.7220
Switzrl franc	.7666	.7637	1.3045	1.3095
Switzrl 1-mo	.7607	.7584	1.3145	1.3185
Swirzrl 3-mo	.7465	.7432	1.3395	1.3455
Switzrl 6-mo	.7302	.7239	1.3695	1.3815
Taiwan dollar	.0375	.0375	26.64	26.64
Turkey lira	.000341	.000341	2930.00	2930.00
UAE dirham	.2730	.2730	3.6632	3.6632
Urug'y peso-z	.000733	.000733	1365.00	1365.00
Venez bolivr-z	.0201	.0201	49.74	49.74
Germany mark	.6541	.6517	1.5288	1.5345
Germany 1-mo	.6482	.6462	1.5428	1.5475
Germany 3-mo	.6282	.6268	1.5918	1.5955
Germany 6-mo	.6425	.6425	1.5564	1.5564
Yugosl dinar	.0951	.0951	10.51	10.51

c-Commercial; f-Financial; z-Floating; x-N. Y. Money Market.

Interbank Buyers Rates
Source: American Security Bank, Washington, D.C.

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#90361u1211 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 27) UPI - Declaring it as the worker safety issue of the 1990s, Mayor Art Agnos Thursday signed into law the nation's toughest video display terminal safety legislation.

Union leaders promised they now would turn the battle for regulation of computers in the workplace to the state and federal arenas.

The San Francisco measure, which will take effect in 30 days, affects 56,250 San Francisco workers in private businesses that employ more than 15 people. The figure does not include city workers, who are also affected.

The law is intended to reduce the risk of ailments caused by prolonged use of a computer terminal. Medical problems have included eye strain, muscle fatigue and carpal tunnel syndrome, an injury that can incapacitate the hand and that often requires surgery.

Agnos agreed to sign the measure after prodding labor and business leaders to compromise on amendments that will make the ordinance less costly for businesses and extend to four years, from two, the time they would have to fully comply.

''This legislation, and the accompanying amendments, will insure that San Francisco's workers are protected from painful injuries in a way that won't drive business out of the city,'' Agnos said.

VDT safety regulation ''is the worker safety issue of the 1990s,'' Agnos said.

Paul Viracelli, a Service Employees International Union spokesman who pushed for the law, said it is estimated the changes mandated by the ordinance will cost private business $14 million over the next 30 months and increase to $19 million to fully comply in 42 months.

The cost to the city is expected to be $231,550, he said.

The legislation protects employees in San Francisco who spend more than 50 percent of their work hours in one week working at a VDT.

It requires employers to provide adjustable workstations and chairs; sets minimum design standards such as lighting and use of anti-glare screens; requires 15-minute alternative work breaks after two hours of continuous VDT work, and requires that workers are trained on health and safety concerns associated with VDT use.

The law has attracted national attention because it is the country's only municipal ordinance regulating the use of computer terminals in private business.

A 1988 law enacted by Suffolk County, N.Y., was struck down by a state court, which ruled such regulation was the business of state or federal governments.

San Francisco City Attorney Louise Renne said she is ''not worried'' about

possible legal challenges to the measure.

Under the proposed amendments, to be reviewed by city supervisors Jan. 3, the two-year deadline for compliance would be replaced with a three-step process that could take as long as four years to complete.

One year from the effective date of the ordinance, any new equipment would have to comply with the ordinance.

Within two and one half years, companies would have to upgrade old equipment to comply with the law. However, they would not have to spend more than $250 per work station.

Full compliance, regardless of cost, would have to be completed in four years. The amendments also exempt certain workers, such as architects, who use computer-assisted design terminals, and stockbrokers, who use terminals to check stock prices.

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#90361u1224 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) UPI - Trade by the major stock exchanges finally got off to a delayed start this morning following an earlier electrical transformer explosion in lower Manhattan. It occurred outside a 54-story office tower that houses the back-room computer operations of the New York and American stock exchanges. Witnesses say the explosion, in a below street level vault, sent flames 80 feet into the air. It blew out windows on the fifth, sixth and seventh floors and started a small fire on the sixth floor that was put out by firefighters.

Iraq's Saddam Hussein has, for a second time, raised the idea of ''serious'' talks with the United States on the Persian Gulf crisis. His latest attempt comes in comments to the Iraqi ambassadors he recalled from their posts last week in Washington and in Europe. Other diplomats in the Mideast say Saddam may actually want to begin talks to end the almost five-month-old crisis. Others see it as a ploy to win him more time. And Kuwait's exiled foreign minister says the time for talking has already past.

In Washington, one of the must-see tourist attractions is the retreat ceremony at the Marine barracks... a historic post that is home to the Marine Corps commandant. Now the barracks is contributing troops to Operation Desert Shield. Company ''A'' headed out this morning for Camp Lejeune in North Carolina, where they'll ship out for Saudi Arabia. It's the first time since 1906 that a company from the barracks has been sent out on military duty. The marines who usually perform some scary bayonet and rifle twirling are also trained as infantrymen.

And in a major deployment for Operation Desert Shield, the first infantry

division from Fort Riley, Kansas, has started deploying to the Saudi desert. The ''Big Red One'' as the division is called from its shoulder patch is a tank unit equipped with the powerful MA-1 tank.

Mikhail Gorbachev finally got his way when it comes to naming the first vice president ever to serve in a Soviet government. But it took him two tries. The Soviet legislature finally approved Gorbachev's nominee, Gennady Yanayev, but NOT without some harsh words. The career Communist Party official was called a throwback to the old days that the lawmakers are hoping to guide the Soviet Union out of. He came up just 31 votes shy of what was needed on the first ballot but he won the second tally, unopposed, by 148 votes.

The growing independence of the various Soviet republics is drawing fire from Soviet President Gorbachev. The latest example is a decision by the Russian Republic to dramatically cut its contributions to the central government. The Russian Parliament voted yesterday to slash its central government contribution from 242-BILLION dollars this year to just under 40-BILLION dollars next year. Gorbachev says that could lead NOT only to destruction of the Soviet economy but to its political union as well.

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#90361u1253 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - American Stock Exchange market value index Thursday:

High 304.99, low 303.35, close 303.67, off 1.32.

There was a loss of 5 cents in the average share price.

Volume 9,350,000 shares, compared with 7, 970,000 Wednesday.

What the AMEX Market Did	
New Highs	4
New Lows	32
Advances	240
Declines	335
Unchanged	297
Total Issues	872

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - American Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks -	9,350,000 shares
1990 to date -	3,301,515,805
Bonds -	$4,120,000
1990 to date -	$760,438,000

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#90361u1255 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - The 10 top dollar volume issues traded on the National Market System Thursday:

Stock	Volume	Close	Chg.
MCI Commun	(MCIC)	52,023,752	19 off 1/2
Intel Corp	(INTL)	44,773,548	37 off 1/2
Apple Computr	(AAPL)	36,265,276	43 1/2 off 1/4
Amgen Inc	(AMGN)	34,347,044	60 1/2 off 1/2
Core StateF	(CSFN)	24,587,932	31 5/8 up 1/4
Microsoft Cp	(MSFT)	22,433,128	74 3/4 off 1/4
US Healthcr	(USHC)	14,997,845	28 5/8 up 3/8
Price Co	(PCLB)	14,273,928	40 1/8 up 3/8
Reuters Hldg	(RTRS)	13,713,744	39 1/8 up 1 3/8
AST Research	12,710,828	34 3/4 up 5/8	

Composite Index 163.92 off 0.61

NMS volume 83,837,104 shares.

Advances	710
Declines	792
Unchanged	1,258
Total	2,760

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(DEC. 27) UPI - UPI MARKET INDEXES

NYSE Composite Index	179.48	off 1.12
ASE Market Value Index	303.67	off 1.32
Dow-Jones Industrial	2625.50	off 11.63

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#90361u1262 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - New York Stock Exchange sales Thursday:

Stocks -	102,900,000 shares
1990 to date -	39,443,442,520
Warrants -	732,200
1990 to date -	258,160,800

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#90361u1264 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Cotton futures closed Thursday 3 to 63 points lower.

Cotton Exch - 50,000 lb; cents per lb

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	77.25	77.30	76.57	76.69	77.25
May	76.20	76.30	75.45	75.57	76.20
Jly	75.40	75.45	74.85	74.87	75.41
Oct	68.45	68.45	68.30	68.10	68.43
Dec	65.46	65.46	65.25	65.32	65.45
Mar	66.15	....	....	66.12	66.15
May	66.50	....	....	66.55	66.65

Estimated sales: 3,500 contracts
Open interest: 41,928 off 58
The World spot average: unavailable

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CHICAGO (DEC. 27) UPI - Midwest Stock Exchange sales:
Thursday - 7,013,000
1990 to date - 2,844,395,000

The market closed lower.

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WASHINGTON (DEC. 27) UPI - The government next year will begin a nationwide program of testing milk for traces of drugs that farmers use to treat sick cows, the Food and Drug Administration announced Thursday.

The agency will randomly select five of 250 target locations in major ''dairy states'' to test unpasteurized milk, the FDA said. Initially, testers will look for the presence of eight so-called ''sulfa drugs'' and three tetracycline drugs.

''These drugs are of most concern because they have been widely misused,'' the FDA said in a statement. ''As newer analytical methods become available, milk will be monitored for additional drugs.''

While the FDA did not specify which drugs it is targeting, most such drugs are not approved for use in dairy cows and health officials and consumer groups have raised concerns about the effect residues of the drugs might have on humans.

Lisa Lefferts, a staff scientist at the Center for Science in the Public Interest, a Washington consumer group, criticized the limited scope of the FDA program.

''Some testing is better than no testing,'' Lefferts said, ''but testing five

samples of milk each week from five locations isn't enough. That's like staunching a flood by handing out boxes of Kleenex.''

Allergic reactions to drug residues in milk are the major concern for humans, Lefferts said.

''Milk is the most common cause of food allergy and in some cases the reaction might not be the milk itself, but some residue found in it,'' she said.

Tests have also shown that one sulfa drug, sulfamethazine, can cause cancer in laboratory rats and mice. Sulfonamides can cause allergic reactions in some humans. Experts are also concerned that exposure to antibiotics, such as tetracyclines, may cause humans to become resistant to the drugs, rendering the medicines ineffective.

''We don't think the risk is large enough to urge consumers not to drink milk '' Lefferts said, ''but we think it's an unnecessary risk'' to allow any use of the unapproved drugs.

While criticizing the scope of the FDA program, Lefferts said even more thorough testing would be ineffective unless the FDA phases out its ''extra label drug policy,'' which allows veterinarians to prescribe unapproved drugs under some conditions.

One of those conditions is a determination that no residues of the drug be found in the milk of treated cows, but Lefferts said tests have not even been developed to detect many of the drugs.

The FDA said it plans to widen its random testing to include other drugs as technologies become available to do so.

The FDA in April said tests of milk samples collected in 14 cities found trace levels of sulfamethazine in three of 70 samples while 58 samples had traces of other unidentified sulfa drugs.

While the levels were too low to pose a health hazard and indicate abuse by dairy farmers is rare, the findings ''nevertheless show that a few dairy farmers or veterinarians have improperly used the drug,'' the FDA said at the time.

The FDA statement said the new testing program will ''add another layer of protection for consumers'' of milk products.

The new program, called the National Drug Residue Milk Monitoring Program, will supplement the customary, routine tests of raw and processed milk carried out by the states through the National Conference on Interstate Milk Shipments for penicillin and penicillin-related drug products, the FDA said.

Although the FDA has monitored that testing and has conducted its own

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#90361u1282 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Dow Jones closing bond averages:

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.54	up 0.14
10 Public Utils	93.44	up 0.20
10 Industrials	89.64	up 0.08

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#90361u1286 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - The 15 most active stocks in New York Stock Exchange composite trading on Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
MCA Inc	1,696,600	68 1/2	up 5/8
Chemical Bank	1,031,400	11 1/8	off 1/4
Toys R Us Inc	1,002,700	22 1/8	off 1/2
Chase Manhattan	916,900	10 1/8	off 1/2
Occidntl Petrol	897,700	19	off 5/8
Navistar Intl	877,300	2	unch
AT&T Company	868,700	30 1/8	off 1/8
Temple Glbl Inc	856,000	8 3/8	up 1/4
Tiffany & Co	788,300	35	off 2 1/4
Genl Electric	783,900	57 1/4	off 1/8
Service Merch	744,700	5 5/8	up 3/4
Citicorp	742,500	13	off 1/4
Champion Intl	719,400	25 1/2	off 1/2
IBM Corp	714,100	113 5/8	up 1/8
Exxon Corp	712,900	51 1/4	off 1/2

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#90361u1288 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - The ten most active stocks in American Stock Exchange composite trading Thursday.

Stock	Sales	Last	Net Chg.
Energy Service	340,900	2 1/2	unch
Contl Air Hldgs	274,200	1 7/8	unch
Western Digital	253,500	4 5/8	unch
Wang Labs Inc B	248,500	2 3/8	off 1/8
Echo Bay Mines	203,900	8 1/8	off 1/2
Dow Chemical rt	198,100	5 3/8	up 1/8

Inneficient Mkt	185,200	8 1/2	off 1/8
Fruit of Loom	176,200	8 1/4	up 1/8
Americus T2 sc	165,000	4 3/8	off 3/8
Amdahl Corp	141,200	14	off 1/2

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - The dollar mainly weakened in a holiday-thin New York market Thursday as players focused on fresh evidence of U.S. economic decline in the absence of any strong new cause for concern in world affairs.

''Today, for whatever reason, the dollar was sold off,'' said Audrey McNiff, a Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp. vice president and corporate trader.

Though a Mideast war seems increasingly likely, McNiff said, participants had ''no news to keep the fire burning on the Gulf front. So the market was taking a look at the (U.S. economic) numbers that came out today.''

In late New York dealings, the dollar was quoted at 1.5250 German marks, down from 1.5360 Wednesday, and at 136.35 Japanese yen, up from 136.20 yen.

The British pound rose to $1.8900 from $1.8815.

Other New York dollar rates: 1.3035 Swiss francs, off from 1.3125; 5. 1925 French francs, down from 5.2125; and 1,151 Italian lire, off from 1,155.

Players sold the dollar after the Commerce Department reported a 10.5 percent plunge in November durable goods orders. The drop in orders for longer-lasting products matched a 32-year record decline seen in January.

Currency dealers said news that Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev obtained a confirming vote from his Congress for his vice presidential nominee, Gennadi Yannayev, also undercut the dollar's relatively strong position.

McNiff said the German mark and other European currencies were lifted against the dollar by Yannayev's confirmation. ''If Gorbachev wants something and he gets it, that's got to be seen favorably,'' she said.

A week ago, the dollar soared after Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet foreign minister, said he would resign. The German economy and currency is seen as the most vulnerable to Soviet political instability.

In European sessions, the dollar closed mixed in directionless dealings.

But Persian Gulf fears continued to underpin the dollar. Remarks by a Kuwaiti official, saying war was inevitable, boosted it at midday.

In Frankfurt, the dollar ended at 1.5285 German marks, up from 1.5205 at the end of business Friday. The German mark was undermined by Gorbachev's choice of vice president, seen as a move to political retrenchment.

The dollar fell in Zurich to 1.3080 Swiss francs vs. 1.3185 Monday.

In London, the pound recovered to $1.8870 from $1.8740 Monday.

In Paris, the dollar moved up to 5.2125 French francs from 5.1620 on Friday, the last time the French market had official prices.

In Brussels, the U.S. currency declined to 31.67 Belgian francs against 31.90 Monday. In Milan it fell to 1,155.40 Italian lire from 1, 159.40.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar posted its eighth straight gain against the yen amid continued concern over the Mideast crisis. The U.S. unit ended at 136.65 yen, a gain of 0.40 yen from 136.25 yen Wednesday.

In Zurich, gold closed at $383.50 an ounce, unchanged from Monday. In London, gold closed lower at $382.50 an ounce vs. $383.50 Monday.

Silver finished higher in Zurich at $4.10 an ounce from $4.06. London silver closed higher at $4.09 an ounce from $4.06.

In New York, Republic National Bank closed cash gold at $384.75, up slightly from $384.50 Wednesday. The New York Commodity Exchange settled contract gold at $385.30 an ounce, down from $385.60.

Republic closed cash silver at $4.105 an ounce, off from $4.12. Comex trading left silver at $4.093 an ounce, barely off from $4.095.

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#90361u1297 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) - Largest net changes among NYSE-listed stocks on the exchange and in regional markets Thursday.

Stock	Close	Net Chg.
Berkshire Hath	6650	off 100
Hall Frank pfB	58 3/4	up 12 1/4
Cap Cities ABC	462 1/4	off 7 3/4
Am Brands pfA	165	up 7 1/8
Atl Richfld pfC	297 1/2	up 6
Occid Pet pfH	106 3/4	off 5 3/4
Lincoln Natl pf	165	up 3 1/2
Textron Inc pfA	57	up 3
Newscorp pf	37	up 2 3/4
Tiffany & Co	35	off 2 1/4

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#90361u1303 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - International spot crude oil and spot product prices as provided by Telerate Systems, Inc.

.	Thursday	Wednesday
Key crude prices		
($ per bbl fob)		
UAE's Dubai light	23.10-23.15	23.60-23.65
North Sea Brent	27.35-27.45	27.80-27.90
West Texas Intermed	27.00-27.05	27.20-27.25
Light Louisiana Sweet	28.05-28.20	28.25-28.35
New York Harbor spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	67.90-68.15	67.55-67.75
No. 2 Heating oil	80.90-81.15	81.00-81.25
U.S. Gulf Coast spot products		
(cents per gallon)		
Unleaded gasoline	65.65-65.90	64.90-65.15
No. 2 Heating oil	77.40-77.55	77.75-78.25

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(DEC. 27) UPI - Index Futures
By United Press International

Closing range of index futures traded on the Kansas City Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, New York Futures Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade Thursday.

KCBT Value Line Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	242.70	243.15	242.00	242.30	243.15
Jun	....	....	....	244.20	245.05
Sep	....	....	....	246.40	247.45

Estimated volume: 54 contracts.
Open interest: 1,130 up 23

CME S&P Stock Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	332.90	333.90	329.90	330.80	333.75
Jun	336.30	336.70	332.90	333.75	336.70
Sep	....	336.00	335.40	336.25	339.25

Estimated volume: 24,176 contracts.
Open interest: 140,483 up 2,352

NYFE NYSE Composite Index - 500 units measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Mar	181.30	181.90	179.80	180.10	181.90
Jun	183.00	183.00	181.20	181.50	183.30
Sep	184.40	184.40	183.10	182.90	184.70

Open interest: 4,050 up 191

CBT Major Market Index - 250 times index measured in dlrs

	Open	High	Low	Settle	Prev.
Jan	552.25	554.00	548.90	549.60	552.60
Feb	551.80	553.70	549.00	549.35	552.45

Estimated volume: 1,023 contracts.

Open interest: 9,125 off 30

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - NASDAQ over-the- counter price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100:

Index	Close	Net	Chg.	Week ago	Year ago
Composite	371.05	off	1.35	372.30	449.98
Industrial	402.27	off	1.17	403.45	442.34
Finance	358.86	off	1.02	359.91	503.46
Insurance	450.63	off	1.48	449.00	540.06
Utility	478.43	off	5.21	483.59	729.28
Bank	252.76	off	0.61	253.51	389.57
Transport	414.14	up	0.73	414.07	489.47

Composite 1990 High 469.60

1990 Low 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes (NMS)

NASDAQ indexes (Composite and Industrial July 10, 1985 average equals 100; Nasdaq-100 average Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250):

Composite Index 163.92 off 0.61

Industrial Index 160.81 off 0.47

NASDAQ-100 Index 398.32 off 2.82

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#90361u1315 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - NASDAQ-100 index of the 100 largest non-financial issues in the National Market System (Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250).

Thursday 398.32 off 2.82.

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(DEC. 27) UPI - UPI CREDIT MARKET YIELDS

Source: Salomon Brothers Inc.

Security	Thursday	Wednesday	Year ago
Federal funds rate	8.76	8.86	9.45
91-day Treasury bills	6.69	6.66	7.68
182-day Treasury bills	6.91	6.90	7.55
1-year Treasury bills	6.94	6.94	7.25
3-year Treasury notes	7.44	7.45	7.87
7-year Treasury notes	8.01	8.04	7.97
30-year Treasury bond-(new)	8.24	8.29	7.97
10-year US West Corp -(new)	8.70	8.67	8.80
30-year Bell Telephone bond	9.50	9.55	9.17
GNMA 8.5 15-year mortgage	8.65	8.70	8.85
GNMA 8 30-year mortgage	8.94	8.99	8.92
FNMA 8.5 30-year mortgage	9.14	9.18	9.16
Freddie Mac30-year mortgage	9.12	9.16	9.17

Quotations are representative of all sectors and maturities of the credit markets: Treasuries; top-rated corporates as represented by telephone issues; quality municipal AA- and A-rated bonds and the increasingly important government-backed mortgage bonds.

Municipal General Obligation year-ago yields are weekly averages.

Government mortgage yields are corporate bond equivalents.

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#90361u1329 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Assets of the nation's 533 money market mutual funds fell by $1.11 billion to $427.90 billion in the week ended Wednesday, according to the Investment Company Institute, a research arm of the U. S. mutual fund industry.

Elsewhere, two other financial reporting organizations said average yields on money-market mutual funds were lower, while deposit and lending rates at U.S. savings and loan institutions mostly descended in the period.

The Investment Company Institute said broker-dealer fund assets declined by $251.9 million to $$166.02 billion, assets of general purpose funds fell by $226.3 million to $150.41 billion, and institutional fund assets decreased by $627.6 million to $$111.47 billion.

The institute's vice president and chief economist, Jacob Dreyer, said asset levels in the general purpose and broker/dealer categories ''barely changed'' as a recent pattern of ''small and erratic movements'' continued.

Added Dreyer, ''Institutional assets, after five consecutive weeks of large increases, fell moderately, probably in response to some firming of short-term

interest rates.''

The Investment Company Institute, a national association of the American investment company industry, reports the assets of money market funds to the Federal Reserve Board each week. It is located in Washington, D.C.

The Donoghue Organization, of Holliston, Mass., said average seven- day simple yields were 7.16 percent, down from 7.17 percent, while 30- day simple yields were also lower at 7.21 percent, vs. 7.23 percent last week.

The average maturity of fund portfolios fell to 51 days from 52 days.

The Bank Rate Monitor in North Palm Beach, Fla., gave average rates as follows: money-market deposit accounts, 5.75 percent, down from 5.79 percent; Super-Now accounts, 4.92 percent, off from 4.93 percent; six- month certificates of deposit, 7.08 percent, off from 7.14 percent; 1- year CDs, 7.14 percent, down from 7.19 percent; 2 1/2-year CDs, 7.26 percent, off from 7.31 percent; and five-year CDs, 7.48 percent, off from 7.53 percent.

The average rate for a one-year, adjustable-rate mortgage was 7.90 percent, off from 7.92 percent.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage was unchanged at 9.21 percent. The average rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage moved up to 9.50 percent from 9.48 percent the previous week.

The average rate for a four-year automobile loan was unchanged at 12. 26 percent.

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#90361u1330 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - NASDAQ price indexes (Feb. 5, 1971 average equals 100) - daily range:

Index	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	372.99	370.28	371.05	off 1.35
Industrial	404.41	401.57	402.27	off 1.17
Finance	361.38	358.25	358.86	off 1.02
Insurance	453.49	448.99	450.63	off 1.48
Utility	483.84	476.23	478.43	off 5.21
Bank	253.44	250.71	252.76	off 0.61
Transport	416.07	412.24	414.14	up 0.73

Composite 1990 High (6-13) 469.60

1990 Low (10-16) 325.44

NASDAQ National Market System indexes

(Composite and Industrial July 10, 1984 equals 100; Nasdaq-100 Feb. 1, 1985 equals 250)

Composite Index	163.92 off 0.61
Industrial Index	160.81 off 0.47
NASDAQ-100 Index	398.32 off 2.82
(largest non-fin'cl)	
Average price per share	8.34 off 0.03
Volume	83,837,104 shares
Advances	710
Declines	792
Unchanged	1,258
Total	2,760

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(DEC. 27) UPI - New York Stock Exchange Composite - Close:

	Thursday	Wednesday	Week ago
New highs	12	11	24
New lows	51	58	57

NYSE	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	593	27,691,000
Declines	901	57,148,800
Unchanged	509	18,060,200
Total	2,003	102,900,000

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#90361u1342 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Stocks fell in very slow holiday week trading Thursday after getting off to a late start because of a fire outside a building that houses one of the exchange's key computer systems.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 15.84 Wednesday, lost 11.63 to close at 2625.50.

Among broader market gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index lost 1.12 to 179.88. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 2.56 to 328.29. The price of an average share fell 19 cents.

Declines led advances 904-590 among the 2,003 issues crossing the Big Board tape. Volume totaled 102,900,000 shares, compared with the 78,730, 000 traded Wednesday.

The opening of trading was delayed an hour and a half when an electrical transformer exploded in the Wall Street district and set off a fire.

Trading usually opens at 9:30 a.m. EST, but did not begin until 11 a. m. after

preliminary test results found no signs of PCB contamination in the building housing the Securities Industry Automation Corp. - the computer center serving both exchanges. PCBs, or polychlorinated biphenyl, chemicals manufactured to insulate high-voltage transformers, are classified among the deadliest manmade substances.

Analysts said the episode had no effect on trading and when the market finally opened, prices were virtually unchanged. They drifted at mixed levels for much of the day, and then turned lower in late trading.

Ricky Harrington, director of investment policy and asset management at Marion Bass Securities in Charlotte, N.C., said bad economic news and Mideast tensions were behind the decline.

Durable goods orders dropped a sharp 10.5 percent, or $13.5 billion, in November, matching a record monthly decline set last January, the Commerce Department said.

''That was a major shock to analysts since orders were estimated to be down about 2.2 percent,'' he said. ''Stocks opened weaker, then came under pressure later in the day when Bush said Saddam did not seem to be giving any ground, that he still was not responding to initiatives.''

President Bush restated that the United States will not compromise with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and that he is prepared to implement ''without conditions'' the U.N. resolution authorizing military force to remove Iraq from Kuwait after Jan. 15.

''But really there was not much of a trend and very low volume,'' said Harrington. ''It wasn't really any different from what we've seen over the last 4 or 5 days.''

On the trading floor, MCA was the most active issue, up 5/8 to 68 1/2.

Chemical Banking followed, off 1/4 to 11 1/8. Toys 'R' Us was third, off 1/2 to 22 1/8.

Tiffany was also active, down 2 1/4 to 35. The jeweler said Wednesday earnings estimates for the current quarter were too high and some analysts were said to cut earnings estimates for the company.

Among the blue chips, AT&T lost 1/8 to 30 1/8, IBM fell 1/8 to 113 5/8 and Exxon eased 1/2 to 51 1/4.

Volume of NYSE-listed issues, including trades in stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 128,877,690 shares, compared with 99,928,970 shares traded in the previous session.

Prices fell in light trading on the American Stock Exchange.

The Amex Market Value index lost 1.32 to close at 303.67. Declines led advances 331-246 among the 876 issues traded. The price of an average share fell 5 cents. Composite volume totaled 11,541,525 shares vs. 9,831,400 traded Wednesday.

Energy Service led the Amex issues, unchanged at 2 1/2.

The National Association of Securities Dealers composite index fell 1.35 to 371.05.

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(DEC. 27) UPI - What The AMEX Composite Market Did:

New highs	4
New lows	32

AMEX	Issues	Share Volume
Advances	240	2,941,700
Declines	335	3,953,600
Unchanged	297	2,454,700
Total	872	9,350,000

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#90361u1347 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 27) UPI - (Dow Jones has revised the close)

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Dow Jones closing stock averages.

30 Indus	2625.50	off	11.63
20 Trans	913.42	off	8.81
15 Utils	210.45	off	0.88
65 Stocks	920.41	off	5.28

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#90361u1348 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
(DEC. 27) UPI - The official Tass news agency reports that Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Igor Belousov met with Iraq's Saddam Hussein for three hours in Baghdad today. But there are NO details of what they discussed. Belousov is in Baghdad to finalize plans to get the last 17-hundred Soviet citizens out of Iraq by January 10th.

Iraq's Saddam Hussein is again trying to link the Palestinian question to his occupation of Kuwait as he tries to set up ''serious'' talks with the United

States. It is an argument Washington has rejected in the past. Saddam outlined his latest try in discussions with the Iraqi ambassadors he recalled from Washington and other European capitals last week. The Bush administration has said it will talk with Iraq only about Kuwait, NOT other subjects.

President Bush today brushed off reports U-S troops in the Persian Gulf won't be ready for combat by the January 15th deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. Speaking to reporters at the White House, Bush said- ''Where did they get that stuff.'' The president says he was briefed by Defense Secretary Cheney and Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman Colin Powell, who told him- quoting- ''the situation is just right.''

Bush also denied other reports that a date has been set for a meeting between Secretary of State Baker and Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad. The president spoke briefly with reporters after his return from Camp David. Bush arranged to return to the presidential retreat in Maryland this afternoon to resume his holiday stay with family members.

The nation's output of durable goods continues to fall. The Commerce Department reports November orders were down 10-point-five percent to match the record set in January. Durable goods are those designed to last three or more years and their orders keep the nation's factories busy. Much of the November loss came on few orders for aircraft and automobiles.

Authorities in Rockford, Illinois, are considering whether the mother of a two-year-old girl should be charged for leaving the child in a car for 17 hours in temperatures that dropped to nine below zero. The child's mother said her daughter was left in the car ''by mistake.'' And police investigators believe the abandonment was NOT intentional. Kandy Shoulders is hospitalized with severe frostbite to her feet. A spokeswoman at Rockford Memorial Hospital says officials are optimistic the toddler will fully recover.

Cold wintery weather stretches right across the top half of the nation, from Washington's Puget Sound to New England and the Middle Atlantic states where inland temperatures hit single digit marks. Roads in southern Illinois were glazed by a combination of snow, sleet and freezing rain and one person died in a seven vehicle accident on Interstate 64 near Mount Vernon, Illinois. Freezing rain has coated trees and power lines in southwest Arkansas while sleet iced roads in higher elevations of Tennessee's Cumberland plateau.

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#90361u1351 12/27/1990 ~United Press International
(Dow Jones has revised the close)

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Dow Jones closing averages:

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
30 Indus	2637.62	2652.23	2616.58	2625.50	off 11. 63

20 Trans	918.48	923.16	910.79	913.42	off 8.81
15 Utils	211.14	212.27	209.70	210.45	off 0.88
65 Stock	924.67	929.65	917.38	920.41	off 5.28

Transactions in stocks used in averages:

Thursday	Wednesday
Indus 9,967,300	8,314,200
Trans 1,871,700	1,734,600
Utils 2,428,000	1,401,800
65 Stock 14,267,000	11,450,600

Bonds	Close	Net Chg.
20 Bonds	91.54	up 0.14
10 Public Utils	93.44	up 0.20
10 Industrials	89.64	up 0.08

Dow Jones commodity futures index (Dec. 31, 1974 average equals 100) closed at 126.39 up 0.06.

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#90361u1352 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

CHESTNUT HILL, MA (DEC. 27) UPI - Tom Coughlin, an assistant coach with the NFC East champion New York Giants, was chosen Thursday as the next head football coach at Boston College, apparently ending a bizarre search for a successor to fired Jack Bicknell.

Coughlin, 44, a sixth-year NFL coach who has trained the Giants receivers since 1988, was one of Bicknell's original assistants when he came to Boston College in 1980.

Bicknell was dismissed last month after the Eagles finished their fourth straight losing season.

Coughlin is BC's third choice for the post. Virginia Tech's Frank Beamer, the Eagles top choice, withdrew his name from consideration on Dec. 17. Then, Jimmye Laycock of William and Mary rejected the job Dec. 20, one day after accepting it.

BC Athletic Director Chet Gladchuk praised Coughlin as a ''highly dedicated and respected professional'' and predicted he would bring the Eagles ''to new levels of accomplishment.''

''I am especially impressed with the profesional intensity he has displayed, and the results he has achieved, at every level of competition throughout his career,'' said Gladchuk, who made no reference to Beamer or Laycock.

Giants' head coach Bill Parcells echoed Gladchuck's assessment, saying Coughlin ''has meant a great to our offense.''

''He has certainly been one of the top assistant coaches I have ever had on my staff,'' Parcells said.

Coughlin, a former running back for Syracuse and team captain who played alongside Larry Csonka and Floyd Little in the mid 1960s, began his coaching career as an assistant at the Rochester Institute of Technology in 1970 and became the school's head coach the following year.

He returned to Syracuse in 1974 as an assistant and later offensive coordinator under Frank Maloney. He joined Bicknell at BC in 1980, where he served as quarterback coach, training Doug Flutie, the 1984 Heisman Trophy winner.

Coughlin began his NFL career that same year as receivers coach with the Philadelphia Eagles. He joined the Green Bay Packers in the same capacity in 1986 and moved to the Giants in 1988.

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#90361u1353 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

CHICAGO (DEC. 27) UPI - A former professor of English composition at the University of Chicago has developed software programs for universities and high schools to help reduce or eliminate plagiarism.

Barbara Glatt said Thursday the Glatt Plagiarism Screening Program is the first reliable and valid test developed for determining original authorship.

Based on the student's own writing sample, the program substitutes every fifth word with a standard-sized blank.

Based on research in cognitive psychology, determinations of plagiarism innocence or guilt are established according to how well an individual can reproduce his or her own writing.

''We all have a unique style of writing that acts as a fingerprint as to who we are,'' Glatt said. ''Furthermore, we know and can remember our own writing style better than anyone else.''

The Glatt Plagiarism Teaching Program is an interactive tutorial designed to provide instruction for students on what constitutes plagiarism and how to avoid it. The software includes examples, exercises and competency testing.

The tutorial also provides the schools with accountability that information on plagiarism has been presented, thus avoiding any blame later that the student was not informed about how to avoid committing plagiarism.

The three programs will be on display at the Modern Language Association

convention opening Friday at the Hyatt Regency Chicago Hotel.

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#90361u1372 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - New York Stock Exchange closing indexes:

	High	Low	Close	Net Chg.
Composite	180.69	179.48	179.48	off 1.12
Industrial	223.35	221.88	221.88	off 1.35
Transport	141.70	141.04	141.04	off 0.69
Utility	91.92	91.38	91.38	off 0.37
Finance	123.16	121.98	121.98	off 1.25

Equivalent to a loss of 19 cents in the average price of a N.Y.S.E. common share.

Volume 102,900,000 shares.

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#90361u1379 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

FORT WORTH, Texas (DEC. 27) UPI - More than 500 of American Airlines' 8,700 pilots again called in sick Thursday, some of them continuing a protest in defiance of a temporary restraining order, the company said.

U.S. District Judge John McBryde issued the order sought by American to halt what the company termed ''an illegal job'' action designed to force it to accept the pilot union's terms in contract talks.

American spokesman Tim Smith said Thursday the number of pilots calling in sick had not changed since the order was approved Wednesday night.

''The absentee rate today is very similar overall to what we've seen over the last three or four days,'' he said.

American said 530 pilots were out sick Thursday, which is about 65 to 70 percent more than normal at this time of year. The airline said 24 flights were canceled, 13 of them because of illness. American flies an average of 2,300 flights daily.

American also announced it was planning to reduce its flight schedules by 4 percent in early January as a means of assuring its passengers reliable service. Any ticketholders affected would be contacted by the reservations office and accommodated on another flight, Smith said.

Capt. Tom Hunt, an American pilot and spokesman for the Allied Pilots Association, denied there was any organized sickout, but the union said it could not speak for individual pilots.

The statement issued by the APA office said a check of pilot bases indicated ''no substantial increase in sick calls over normal.''

American said it was forced to cancel less than 1 percent of its flights due to the sickout. But because of the wintry weather and the holiday season, the cancellation of flights has had more of an impact, officials said.

''It becomes a rather large inconvenience to our customers and one they remember when you let them down during the holiday period,'' said Bob Baker, another American spokesman.

The Fort Worth-based airline canceled about one in 11 of its approximately 2,300 daily flights nationwide last weekend. On Christmas Day, 40 flights were canceled, 23 of them due to crew sickness, an official said.

American is also seeking damages of $1 million a day from the union for each day of disruption.

A hearing is scheduled Jan. 3 before the judge to determine if the restraining order will be made permanent.

Negotiations between American and the APA on a new contract have been under way for 14 months.

About 230 American pilots also are serving in Operation Desert Shield, Baker said.

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#90361u1380 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - The nation's home-heating oil and gasoline supplies declined slightly last week as crude oil inventories crept higher, the American Petroleum Institute reported Thursday.

In the week ending Dec. 21, U.S. refinery operations remained unchanged from the previous week, the oil industry trade group said.

Stocks of distillate, used primarily for home-heating oil and diesel fuel, moved down to 131.5 million barrels last week from 132.6 million barrels in the preceding week but were substantially above the 112.2 million barrels on hand in the same week last year.

Distillate production held steady at 2.9 million barrels a day, unchanged from the previous week but below the year-ago rate of 3.5 million barrels a day.

Distillate imports shot up to 268,000 barrels a day from 162,000 barrels a day the week before but were eclipsed by the 433,000 barrel-a- day pace at the same time last year when the nation was gripped by bitter cold.

Gasoline inventories slipped to 223.7 million barrels from 224.6 million barrels in the prior week but still were ahead of the 221.7 million barrels in storage in the corresponding 1989 week.

Gasoline production picked up to 7.1 million barrels a day from 6.8 million barrels daily in the previous week and 6.9 million barrels a day in the year-earlier week.

Gasoline imports plummeted to 241,000 barrels a day from 474,000 barrels a day the week before and 378,000 barrels a day in the comparable week last year.

Crude oil inventories rose to 334.7 million barrels from 331.5 million barrels in the prior week but failed to match the year-ago level of 342 million barrels.

U.S. refineries operated at 83.8 percent of capacity, unchanged from the previous week but below the 89.8 percent level recorded a year ago.

Crude oil imports jumped to 5.6 million barrels a day from 5.1 million barrels a day a week earlier but lagged behind the 6.2 million barrels a day reaching U.S. shores last year.

Imports of refined petroleum products fell to 1.5 million barrels a day from 2.1 million barrels a day in the preceding week but still exceeded the 1.8 million barrels a day turned out in the same 1989 week.

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#90361u1394 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

ALBANY, N.Y. (DEC. 27) UPI - New York's consumer watchdog and the federal government Thursday teamed up to warn denture wearers that their adhesive may contain excessive amounts of a cancer-causing chemical.

Richard Kessel, executive director of the state Consumer Protection Board, said testing of denture adhesives showed three brands with high levels of the chemical benzene, a known carcinogen.

The federal Food and Drug Administration took the state tests and concluded that three brands - Orafix Special, Brace and, to a lesser degree, Cushion Grip - have unacceptable amounts of benzene.

All three products are being recalled by their manufacturers.

''While this is not believed to be an acute health hazard, it could pose a danger to denture adhesive users over many years,'' Kessel said.

Other Denture holding products shown to contain low levels of benzene are Fasteeth and Fixodent, he said.

Five other brands tested, CVS, Confident, Effergrip, Orafix Original and Super Poli Grip showed no detectable amounts of benzene, Kessel said.

Kessel originally requested that the state Department of Health test 10 different brands, and when benzene was discovered in numerous samples the FDA was notified.

''The findings of this study are particularly disturbing because the adhesives are in direct contact with the gums and have quick access to the circulatory system,'' Kessel said.

The FDA said it will now test all denture adhesives on the market to determine the extent of the problem.

Those who have any of the contaminated products in their home are asked to discard them or return them to the manufacturer for a refund.

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#90361u1417 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) - Selected Mutual Funds:

Affiliated Fund	8.94	9.59
Anchor Fund Inv	14.31	15.18
Delaware Mutual	16.38	17.57
Fidelity Fund	16.24	16.24
Investor Mutual	10.68	11.24
Investor Stocks	17.09	17.99
Investor Select	8.49	8.94
IDS Equity Plus	8.56	9.01
MFS Growth Stk	8.95	9.65
Nicholas Income	3.09	3.09
Utd Accumulated	5.99	6.55
United Income	16.38	17.90
Vang Wellington	16.19	16.19

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#90361u1419 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) - The eastern-most parts of the mid-Atlantic region received their first taste of snow this winter, icy rain fall across the South, more cold weather headed toward the West Coast and temperatures warmed slightly in the Midwest.

Clouds moved in and temperatures hovered near 30 as rain mixed with snow moved through Tennessee, the Carolinas and Virginia, hitting Washington, D.C., at the evening rush hour. Moderate accumulation was expected before the snow changed to rain. Forecasters predicted unseasonably warm temperatures in the East for the weekend.

The severe weather continued along the West Coast, and things were expected to get worse.

Gale warnings were posted in Puget Sound as a storm carrying winds near 50 mph swept into the region, bringing up to 4 inches of snow in the northeast and central parts of the state.

The storm was moving toward California threatening crops already damaged by unseasonably cold weather. Lows in the 30s were reported in San Francisco Thursday with warmer temperatures to the south.

California was recovering from a freeze that may have damaged up to 50 percent of the state's citrus crop, according to preliminarly estimates by Sunkist Growers Inc.

In northern California's Tulare County, where the bulk of the state's navel oranges are grown, officials estimated a $200 million loss.

The record cold also ruined marigolds and other decorations for blossom-laden floats for the 1991 Tournament of Roses Parade.

''A few of the field crops that we count on, flowers with bright orange color, got wiped out,'' said Rick Chapman, who is overseeing decorations and construction of floats for the Jan. 1 event. ''We're looking for substitutes.''

A winter storm belted Southern Illinois and touched off a rash of traffic accidents. Law enforcement agencies reported ''going nuts'' responding to weather-related traffic calls.

On Interstate 64 northwest of Mount Vernon, Ill., seven vehicles were involved in a chain-reaction collision. A spokesman for the Jefferson County sheriff's department said one person was killed in the wreck and various reports placed the number of injured between three and 10.

The eastbound lanes of Interstate 64, which links St. Louis and Louisville, Ky., were closed for hours because of the wreck.

Freezing rain coated trees and power lines across southwest Arkansas knocking down mature pines in Ashdown and Foreman and causing blackouts in the Texarkana and Hope areas.

A winter weather advisory was posted for southeast Oklahoma and northeast Texas as light to moderate rain fell across the entire region while between 1 and 2 inches of rain swamped area around Shreveport, La.

In the Plains states, where high temperatures well below zero have been the norm over the past few days, lows were above zero and highs in Illinois and North Dakota reached the 20s.

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#90361u1434 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) UPI - CORPORATE DIVIDENDS:

Company	Period	Amount	Payable	Record
Initial				
NAIC Growth Fund	..	.22	1-28	12-31
Special				
World Income Fund	..	.23	1-15	12-31
Distribution				
Galaxy Cablevision	..	.35	2-15	12-31
LL&E Royalty Trust	M	.0978	1-17	1-7
Usual				
Aloette Cosmetics Inc	Q	.08	2-15	1-25
Dreyfus Strategic Muni	M	.06 1/2	1-23	1-9
Dreyfus Strat Muni Bd	M	.0595	1-23	1-9
Gold Resources Fund	S	.02 1/2	1-7	12-27
Intl Investors Inc	Q	.06	1-7	12-27
Putnam Utils Grw Incm	Q	x-.05	1-10	12-31
World Income Fund	M	.08	1-15	12-31
World Trends Fund	S	.30	1-7	12-27

x-Company corrected amount. a-annual; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi- annual

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#90361u1454 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - Mike Tyson filed suit against the World Boxing Association and the International Boxing Federation Thursday asking for $50 million in damages and to be given the right to fight for those organization's heavyweight championship belts.

Tyson brought the suit in U.S. District Court in Manhattan against the WBA, IBF, the presidents of those organizations, Gilberto Mendoza and Robert W. Lee and WBA attorney James Binns. The former heavyweight champion asked for $10

million from each of those parties.

Tyson wants to prevent the championship bout between Evander Holyfield and George Foreman April 19 in Atlantic City. Tyson claims the organizations should have allowed him to fight the winner of the Buster Douglas-Holyfield championship bout last October.

Tyson lost the world heavywieght championship to Douglas last February. The World Boxing Council as ruled Holyfield should fight Tyson in his next bout.

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#90361u1456 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) UPI - Crude oil prices eased slightly Thursday in very slow holiday week trading.

Futures contracts for February delivery of West Texas Intermediate, the key U.S. crude, slipped 21 cents to $27.01 a barrel in New York Mercantile Exchange trading.

Only about 30,000 trades were made on the Merc and brokers said market activity suffered from the absence of many major players who have all but closed out their books for the year.

Following crude's lead, heating oil dipped 0.38 cent to 80.88 cents a gallon. But unleaded gasoline resisted the downward trend, climbing half a cent to settle at 68.44 cents a gallon.

One broker on the Merc, Raymond Mazzeo, a futures specialist with Lehman Brothers' intenational energy desk, said the slight upward pressure on gasoline likely was due to speculators ''unwinding their gas-to-heating oil spreads,'' in other words, buying gasoline futures to cover positions sold previously when they had expected heating oil prices to rise faster than the gasoline.

Around the world, spot market prices on crude for immediate delivery also eased slightly in a day that provided very little news from either the White House or the Middle East to alter a nervous market's assessment of the likelihood of a war in the oil-rich Arabian Peninsula that might disrupt supplies.

On the U.S. Gulf Coast, West Texas Intermediate fell 20 cents to $27 a barrel from Wednesday. United Arab Emirates' Dubai light from the Persian Gulf, the main OPEC crude, was off 50 cents to $23.10 a barrel. And in European trading, Britain's North Sea Brent, the world's most widely-traded crude, closed the day down 45 cents to $27.35 a barrel.

The very light trading did not indicate any trend in prices, said Thomas

Blakeslee, an analyst at Pegasus Econometric Group of Hoboken, N. J. ''The move was purely technical and will not carry much substance when you see major players return to the market,'' Blakeslee predicted. ''Most of (the big traders such as major oil companies) have cleared off their books and won't be back until next week. That's the main reason you're seeing 30,000 trades instead of 80,000.''

''Crude should move higher after the first of the year. People will realize we're just two weeks away from a deadline on a major war in the biggest oil fields in the world.... Crude prices should drift a little higher. Gasoline should follow them a little because, of course, refineries have to pay for that crude oil. But weak demand in the products should keep a lid on product prices.''

In the meantime, heating oil prices are under pressure because of unusually high heating oil stocks. The unseasonably warm weather enjoyed in the Northeastern United States for much of December contrasted sharply with the extremely cold December last year, analysts said.

''You're seeing demand over the past 13 weeks almost 7 percent lower than the same quarter last year,'' said Pegasus Econometric Group's Blakeslee. ''People compare stock levels from the year before so that will put psychological pressure on people ... so that's one reason it's tough to be bullish on heating oil at this stage.''

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#90361u1459 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) UPI - President Bush is playing down reports U-S troops in the Persian Gulf aren't quite ready for combat, if war breaks out with Iraq. Bush says his top military advisers briefed him on the situation and said it's ''just right.'' But Bush declined to say whether U-S troops would be prepared to go to war on January 15th, saying it was ''too provocative.''

In another development, President Bush held an unannounced meeting with the Soviet ambassador, who slipped into the White House through a back door this morning. The envoy delivered a message to Bush from Soviet President Gorbachev but Bush declined to reveal its contents... saying it was ''confidential.'' But he added it was a ''very, very good'' letter.

In Bangladesh, authorities say 25 people were killed and 100 others injured today when a fire swept a garment factory outside the capital of Dhaka. Officials and state-run television say the victims became trapped behind locked doors left unattended by gatekeepers. Authorities say the blaze apparently was ignited by an electrical short circuit.

The Soviet Union's first vice president is a career Communist Party official. The 53-year-old Gennady Yanayev was elected today after a narrow first-ballot

defeat by the Congress of People's Deputies. Some liberal lawmakers charge Yenayev is an old-style conservative who would slow government reform.

Israel's high court today issued an injunction blocking the deportation of four Palestinians from the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip. A lawyer for the Palestinians appealed the expulsions one hour before the deadline set this week by a military panel. The four deny they pose a threat to Israel's security and call the deportation decision politically inspired.

The federal government is claiming victory in unplugging obstacles that have delayed the flow of money to states to battle the drug crisis. The government reported today it has sent states nearly four-point-five BILLION dollars in anti-drug block grants since 1987. But the U-S Conference of Mayors says the money is NOT trickling down to the cities.

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#90361u1500 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

LOS ANGELES (DEC. 27) UPI - Hotel-casino concern Caesars World Inc. said Thursday it has completed the final part of a two-step acquisition of Caesars New Jersey Inc. in a $3.3 million transaction for 0.9 percent of Caesars New Jersey stock.

As a result of the deal, Caesars New Jersey is now a wholly owned subsidiary of Caesars World. The listing of Caesars New Jersey's shares on the American Stock Exchange will be discontinued.

The merger follows the recently completed $45.8 million tender offer by Caesars World for the 14 percent of Caesars New Jersey stock it did not already own. The $22.25 a share tender offer boosted Caesars World holdings of Caesars New Jersey shares to approximately 99.1 percent.

Caesars World, which operates two Nevada and one New Jersey casino, earned $36.8 million, or $1.52 a share, for the fiscal year ended July 31, with revenues of $870.2 million.

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#90361u1548 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

EL PASO, Texas (DEC. 27) UPI - The question of who will be Southern Cal's starting quarterback against Michigan State in the John Hancock Bowl remained unanswered Thursday.

Todd Marinovich, the Trojans' starting quarterback in 1989 and for eight games this season, is questionable to start the New Year's Eve contest because of a nagging ear ailment.

His backup Shane Foley, who started two games this year, was arrested at 2

a.m. last Monday on charges of drunk and disorderly conduct after an incident involving a cab driver in Orange County, Calif.

Foley made the trip to El Paso and practiced with the team during its first workout Thursday in the Sun Bowl Stadium.

Coach Larry Smith said Foley, a 6-foot-2, 200- pound fifth-year senior from Newport Beach, Calif., has been restricted to the team's hotel and can only leave the facility for practice and team functions. Smith said if Foley breaks any of these rules, he will be sent home immediately.

''He's just like the rest of us, he's human,'' Smith said. ''This doesn't mean his crud, scum or a bad person. He brought dishonor upon himself and his team, and he has to live with it.''

Smith said Foley will not start against the Spartans, but would be available to play.

The game on Monday matches the 18th- ranked Trojans, 8-3-1, against the 20th-ranked Spartans, 7-3-1. Both teams are making their first appearance in the El Paso bowl game.

Marinovich and Foley worked with the first team during Thursday's practice and it is likely Marinovich will be ready by Monday.

Foley would still be the top backup and he said he did not think his being arrested would affect the team's preparations for the game.

''I think it was just an unfortunate situation,'' he said in a brief statement after practice. ''I used poor judgment and I feel badly about it. I feel like I let my family down, myself down, and the team, so to speak, as well.

''Coach Smith talked it over with my family and it jeapordized the possiblity of me starting the football game, but I'm still going to have the opportunity to play. Right now I'm just going to put that behind me and go on with the game.''

Foley started games against Arizona State and California, and completed 26 of 38 passes for 313 yards and two touchdowns.

His start against Arizona State came after Marinovich has been benched for skipping class. Marinovich started against Oregon State, but Foley played all but five series in the game, including the entire second half.

Marinovich, UPI's Freshman of the Year in 1989, played in 11 games this season, completing 178 of 292 passes for 2,249 yards and 12 touchdowns.

If Marinovich or Foley do not start, Smith has several options.

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#90361u1557 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

IRVINE, Calif. (DEC. 27) UPI - Entrepreneur Magazine said Thursday it has named the Subway sandwich chain as the No. 1 franchise in North America for the fourth year in a row.

Entrepreneur said Subway, which has 4,760 franchise outlets, was selected from a total of 1,111 U.S. and Canadian franchises. The rankings are based on start-up costs, growth rate, amount of time in business and number of years of franchising.

Subway, based in Milford, Ct., has been expanding quickly, with 2,415 outlets in 1988 and 3,586 last year. It also led the ''fastest growing'' franchise list.

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#90361u1562 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

JERUSALEM (DEC. 27) UPI - Israel's high court issued an injunction Thursday blocking the deportation of four Palestinians from the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip.

The Palestinians' lawyer appealed the expulsions Thursday, one hour before the deportation deadline set this week by a military panel.

In their appeal, the Palestinians denied posing a threat to Israel's security and called the decision to deport them politically inspired. They also said the deportation orders violated international conventions.

High Court Justice Shoshana Netanyahu issued the injunction prohibiting the deportations until the case is heard, most likely next week, by a panel of three high court judges.

The four Gaza Strip residents were arrested and immediately ordered deported Dec. 15 during a crackdown on hundreds of Palestinians suspected of taking part in an outlawed Islamic Resistance Movement.

Israel's high court has ruled that mass expulsions are prohibited under Article 49 of the Fourth Geneva convention, but the deportation of individuals as security measures is permitted.

Since the start of the 3-year-old Palestinian uprising, Israel has deported 58 Palestinians from the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

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#90361u1645 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

CHESTNUT HILL, Mass. (DEC. 27) UPI - Tom Coughlin, an assistant coach with the NFC East champion New York Giants, was chosen Thursday as the next head football coach at Boston College, apparently ending a bizarre search for a successor to fired Jack Bicknell.

Coughlin, 44, a seventh-year NFL coach who has trained the Giants receivers since 1988, was one of Bicknell's original assistants when he came to Boston College in 1981.

Bicknell was dismissed last month after the Eagles finished their fourth straight losing season.

Coughlin is BC's third choice for the post. Virginia Tech's Frank Beamer, the Eagles' first pick, withdrew his name from consideration on Dec. 17. Then, Jimmye Laycock of William & Mary rejected the job Dec. 20, one day after accepting it.

BC Athletic Director Chet Gladchuk praised Coughlin as a ''highly dedicated and respected professional'' and predicted he would bring the Eagles ''to new levels of accomplishment.''

''I am especially impressed with the profesional intensity he has displayed, and the results he has achieved, at every level of competition throughout his career,'' said Gladchuk, who made no reference to Beamer or Laycock.

Giants' head coach Bill Parcells echoed Gladchuck's assessment, saying Coughlin ''has meant a great deal to our offense.''

''He has certainly been one of the top assistant coaches I have ever had on my staff,'' Parcells said.

Coughlin, a former running back for Syracuse and team captain who played alongside Larry Csonka and Floyd Little in the mid 1960s, began his coaching career as an assistant at the Rochester Institute of Technology in 1970 and became the school's head coach the following year.

He returned to Syracuse in 1974 as an assistant and later offensive coordinator under Frank Maloney. He went to BC in 1980, where he served as quarterback coach for four seasons, training Doug Flutie, the 1984 Heisman Trophy winner.

Coughlin began his NFL career that same year as receivers coach with the Philadelphia Eagles. He joined the Green Bay Packers in the same capacity in 1986 and moved to the Giants in 1988.

Bicknell, who was fired Nov. 27, had a 59-55-1 record in his 10 years atBoston College, but was only 14-30 in the last four seasons, including 4-7 in 1990.

After Beamer withdrew from consideration, Boston College reportedly offered Laycock $160,000 a year to coach the Eagles, compared to his estimated $70,000 salary at William & Mary, where Laycock compiled an 11-year mark of 68-56-2, the best in the school's history.

Laycock accepted, but called Gladchuk early the next morning, Dec. 20, to tell him he had changed his mind ''purely on personal grounds.''

In Coughlin's three seasons with New York, the Giants have gone 10-6, 12-4 and are 12-3 with one game left - against New England - this season. New York, a strong running team, was seventh in the NFL in passing yardage in 1989 and is 10th this season.

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#90361u1743 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

TOKYO (DEC. 27) UPI - The Tokyo Stock Exchange Friday closed out one of its worst years ever with a mild downturn in an abbreviated session.

The key Nikkei average of 225 selected stocks slid 91.99 points to end the year at 23,848.71, down 15,067.16 points, or 38.7 percent, from its 1989 close.

The Nikkei had gained 53.14 points Thursday, but any hopes of a true rally were dashed by exceedingly thin volume.

The broad-based Tokyo Stock Price Index fell 6.73 points to 1,733.83. TOPIX had climbed 10.74 points the day before.

Volume in Friday's two-hour session was estimated at an anemic 180 million shares. Trading in Thursday's full-day session amounted to a light 330 million shares.

The last session of the year began with a surge, as the Nikkei moved up 96 points in the first 15 minutes of trading. But the market reversed course within the first hour as profit-taking set in.

''The last hope for a mini-rally didn't really materialize,'' said Brad Bauer of Barclay's de Zoete Wedd. ''There were clearly people waiting to sell on any rise.''

With many investors already on holiday, trading was lethargic and formless, brokers said.

Those who were left opted for liquidity over the holidays, they said.

The stock market will be closed until a half-day session on Friday, Jan. 4.

Among the losers were blue chip electronics exporters like TDK, which dropped 100 yen to end at 4,200.

Financial stocks bucked the trend and rose. The Bank of Tokyo gained 20 yen to close at 1,080, while Fuji Bank jumped 40 yen to 2,440.

Overall, declining shares outnumbered rising ones by nearly 3:1.

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#90361u1863 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) UPI - President Bush is ruling out any compromise with Iraq's Saddam Hussein on the Persian Gulf crisis. The president told reporters at the White House today that the United States is prepared to implement the U-N resolutions- quote- ''totally without conditions.''

Bush declared there will be ''NO compromise on anything,'' expecially on the January 15th U-N-imposed deadline for Iraqi troops to leave Kuwait. Earlier, Bush played down reports U-S troops in the Gulf won't be ready for combat by the deadline, saying ''the situation is just right.''

In another development, Jordanian troops reportedly are massing at the Israeli border in anticipation that Israel might cross over its territory to strike Iraq should war erupt in the Gulf. Cairo radio says Jordan has deployed troops along the Jordan river.

The report conincides with reports that Israeli troops have been put on a heightened state of alert in the wake of threats by Saddam Hussein that the Israeli city of Tel Aviv will be his first target if he's attacked by U-S-led forces.

The Congress of People's Deputies wrapped up their 10-day conclave by electing the Soviet Union's first vice president. But the lawmakers approved Soviet President Gorbachev's choice of Gennady Yanayev only after opposition forced a second uncontested ballot for the post.

San Francisco Mayor Art Agnos today signed into law the nation's toughest video display terminal safety legislation. Agnos declared the regulation of v-d-t's is the worker safety issue of the 1990's. The measure takes effect in 30 days.

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#90361u2047 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) UPI - President Bush says the situation is ''just right'' for U-S troops to go to war in the Persian Gulf. Bush's remarks were in response to reports American forces won't be ready for combat by January 15th, the U-N deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait. Bush also reiterated that the United

States won't compromise with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein in the standoff. He says he's prepared to implement- quote- ''without conditions'' the U-N resolution authorizing military force to remove Iraq from Kuwait.

Two aircraft carriers and 15 support ships carrying some 16-thousand sailors are gearing up for duty in the Persian Gulf region... in one of the largest Navy deployments since Vietnam. The carriers U-S-S America and U-S-S Theodore Roosevelt... leading two battle groups... will head for the Gulf tomorrow. The warships are expected to reach region by mid- January and will bring the number of U-S carrier battle groups in the region to six.

A budget battle is looming in the Soviet Union that could define the future of the country. Soviet President Gorbachev said today that a decision by the Russian republic to slash its contribution to the central budget could lead to- quote- ''the destruction of NOT only the economy but the entire union.'' Gorbachev's castigation of the republic's action was the opening shot in the budget fight. The Russian Parliament decided to cut its contribution from about 242-BILLION dollars at about 40-BILLION.

American Airlines says more than 500 of its 87-hundred pilots called in sick again today... in defiance of court order to end what the airline termed ''an illegal job action.'' A federal judge in Fort Worth, Texas, issued a temporary restraining order last night. The airline says 24 flights were canceled, 13 of them because of illness. American says the four-day ''sick out'' is designed to force it to accept the pilot union's terms in contract talks.

The federal Food and Drug Administration says it will begin a nationwide program of testing milk for traces of drugs that farmers use to treat sick cows. The F-D-A says it will randomly select five of 250 target locations in major ''dairy states'' to test unpasteurized milk... looking for the presence of eight so-called ''sulfa drugs'' and three tetracycline drugs.

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#90361u2124 12/27/1990 ~United Press International

(DEC. 27) UPI - The State Department reports NO significant progress in the search for an acceptable date for direct high-level talks between the United States and Iraq. State Department spokesman Mark Dillen says after weeks of almost daily contacts, there will be NO new U-S proposals for another set of dates for the talks. Dillen adds- ''The ball's in Iraq's court.'' But reports from Baghdad indicate Iraq has lost interest in the talks because of Washington's position NOT to negotiate around the U-N mandate.

In Baghdad, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is again calling for ''serious'' talks with the United States as long as the Palestinian issue is on the agenda. But President Bush said today in Washington he won't compromise on the Persian Gulf crisis. And Kuwait's exiled foreign minister says it's ''already too late'' to head off a military confrontation.

Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis today signed legislation giving the state some of the nation's toughest curbs on smog-causing automobile tailpipe emissions. The chief House sponsor of the bill said- ''For the first time in 20 years, we have a fighting chance of cleaning up the air we breathe.'' Democratic state Representative David Cohen predicts the action may spur other states to adopt stricter standards.

25 people died today when fire swept a garment factory outside the capital of Dhaka in Bangladesh. Officials and state-run television say the victims became trapped behind locked doors left unattended by gatekeepers. About 100 others were injured, including four firefighters. Authorities say the blaze apparently was ignited by an electrical short circuit just after the morning shift had reported for work.

The chairman of the Senate Banking Committee wants the Treasury Department to conduct a comprehensive examination of the nation's insurance industry. Senator Donald Riegle of Michigan said in a letter to Treasury Secretary Brady that there has been a steady stream of reports of distress in America's insurance industry in recent months. The federal government does NOT regulate the industry. But Riegle says the recent collapse of the thrift industry and the trouble facing several commercial banks makes clear that the federal government canNOT afford to ignore the serious problems in the insurance industry.

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(DEC. 27) UPI - Cairo radio says Jordan has deployed troops along the Jordan River in case Israel tries to cross through Jordan to attack Iraq. The report quoting unmanned military sources in Jordan could NOT be immediately confirmed. The report comes along with another report- this one denied by Israeli officials- that Israeli troops are on a heightened state of alert.

The Soviet Union's first vice president says the most difficult task he faces will be ''recognizing human pain and suffering''... and taking steps to alleviate it. Gennady Yanayev was elected today by the Congress of People's Deputies... who approved of Mikhail Gorbachev's choice on a second ballot. The nation's supreme legislature adjourned tonight, ending a 10-day session overshadowed in large part by Eduard Shevardnadze's resignation as foreign minister last week.

The federal government says it has sent states nearly four-and-a- half-BILLION dollars in anti-drug block grants since 1987. The Office of National Drug Control Policy is also claiming victory in unplugging obstacles that have delayed the flow of money to states. But the U-S Conference of Mayors was NOT impressed with today's report... saying the money is NOT getting to local governments, which it says is bearing the brunt of the drug crisis.

The makers of three denture products are recalling brands found to contain a cancer-causing chemical. New York's consumer watchdog and the federal government say three brands... Orafix Special, Brace and Cushion Grip... have unacceptable amounts of benzene. People with any of the contaminated products are urged to discard them or return them to the manufacturer for a refund.

Forecasters say things will get worse before they get better on the West Coast where severe weather continued today. A storm moved toward California... threatening crops already damaged by unseasonably cold weather. California is still recovering from a freeze that may have damaged as much as half of the state's citrus crop.

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(DEC. 27) UPI - Two aircraft carriers and 15 support ships from all along the East Coast are preparing to leave tomorrow for the Persian Gulf. The deployments involving about 16-thousand Americans will be one of the Navy's biggest since Vietnam.

U-S officials are studying a detailed analysis of the Soviet economy that suggests outside help may NOT be effective. The study by the International Monetary Fund will be released in full early next month.

An AIDS patient pursuing a potentially groundbreaking lawsuit in Houston federal court has died- throwing the future of the case into doubt. Cathy Goodwin was trying to get her health insurance benefits reinstated.

The National Weather Service has posted weather advisories and warnings against travel in northwest Kentucky and southern Illinois and Indiana. Law agencies in the region spent the day answering weather- related traffic calls.

A probationary police officer is getting credit for saving about a dozen lives in Indianapolis. Fire officials say John Bell roused sleeping residents and helped them out of an apartment building that caught fire early today.

Police in Arlington, Virginia, are investigating the case of a maintenance man bilked out of 16-thousand dollars. Police say the man left the cash with a fortune teller to bless overnight. The cash and woman were gone the next day.

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NEW YORK (DEC. 27) UPI - ABC edged out NBC in the ratings race last week, with Dolly Parton's Christmas special and Monday Night Football giving some holiday cheer to the network.

Although NBC had the highest rated show with ''Cheers,'' ABC's Monday Night Football took second place for the week of Dec. 17-23. ABC also had the fourth and fifth-highest rated shows with the Dolly Parton special and ''Roseanne.''

For the week, ABC posted an 12.6 rating and a 22 share, while NBC posted an 11.9 rating and a 20 share. CBS was slightly behind, with an 11.7 rating and a 20 share.

Ratings watchers said ABC's ratings were boosted by a special Saturday night playing of ''Monday Night Football,'' which came in 47th place for the week. Despite its ranking near the middle of the pack, the game still outperformed ABC's traditional Saturday night fare of ''Twin Peaks'' and ''The Young Riders '' helping to push the network's weekly numbers to the top.

NBC, however, could take some credit for the continued strong performance of ''Cheers.'' The show, a repeat, came in first with a 19.0 rating and a 32 share. It marked the 10th time in the 14-week season the show has placed first.

The NBC Monday night movie, ''A Mom for Christmas,'' came in seventh in the ratings, with a 17.0 rating and a 27 share.

The network also had three other shows in the top 10: ''A Different World,'' which came in sixth, ''Golden Girls,'' which came in eighth, and ''Unsolved Mysteries,'' the 10th-highest rated show of the week.

Fox Television came in fourth in the weekly tally, with a 6.4 rating and an 11 share. It's best-rated show, ''The Simpsons,'' was ranked 34th, with 12.9 rating and a 21 share.

Each ratings point represents about 921,000 households. A share is the percentage of TV sets in use that are tuned to a particular show or network.

The top 10 programs for the week ending Sunday, Dec. 16, according to the A.C. Nielsen Co., were:

1. Cheers (NBC)

2. NFL Monday Night Football (ABC)

3. 60 Minutes (CBS)

4. Dolly Parton Christmas special (ABC)

5. Roseanne (ABC)

6. A Different World (NBC)

7. NBC Monday Night Movie ''A Mom for Christmas'' (NBC)

8. Golden Girls (NBC)

9. Designing Women (CBS)

10. Unsolved Mysterires (NBC)

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#90361x0854 12/27/1990 ~Comtex
HOLLYWOOD (DEC. 27) UPI - Moviegoers plunked down more than $4.71 billion for tickets this year through Christmas Day, less than 2 percent behind last year's record-setting pace of $4.79 billion at the same juncture.

Last year's final total hit $5.03 billion, while this year's _ bolstered by the recent successes of ''The Godfather Part III'' and ''Home Alone'' _ will probably close at more than $4.9 billion.

The third installment of the ''Godfather'' saga set a Christmas record with a $6.4 million gross in its debut.

The top 10 films pulled in a total of $66.8 million over the five-day Christmas weekend, up a sharp 78 percent from last year's four-day weekend total of $37.6 million. This year's Christmas weekend was also up 40 percent over the $47.6 million taken in during the previous three- day weekend.

For the week, films grossed $93.4 million, up from $83.4 million for the year-ago week, Daily Variety reported Thursday. The same week in 1988 saw a $95 million gross.

Twentieth Century Fox's ''Home Alone'' remained at the top of the nation's box office for the sixth consecutive week and has sold $118.6 million of tickets, making it the fifth-highest grossing film of the year.

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HOLLYWOOD (UPI) _ ''The Godfather Part III'' outgunned its competition, garnering seven nominations Thursday for the 48th annual Golden Globe Awards including best picture, best director and best supporting actor.

The runner-up in number of nominations was Kevin Costners's ''Dances With Wolves,'' which received six, including best picture, best director, best actor and best supporting actress.

Golden Globes are voted in 24 categories by 86 members of The Hollywood Foreign Press Association, representing 48 countries.

In addition to motion picture categories, the association ballots include nominations for television series, TV mini-series and films.

The Golden Globe Awards are considered by some as precursers of the prestigious Oscars of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, whose nominations will be announced in February.

This year's Golden Globes will be awarded at a Beverly Hills banquet Jan. 19.

Al Pacino had the distinction of being nominated twice for his performances; for best actor in ''The Godfather Part III,'' and for best supporting actor in ''Dick Tracy.'' Costner also was a double nominee, for best director and best actor in ''Dances With Wolves.''

Following are this year's nominees:

Film, drama: ''Avalon,'' ''Dances With Wolves,'' ''The Godfather Part III,'' ''GoodFellas,'' ''Reversal of Fortune.''

Film or comedy: ''Dick Tracy,'' ''Ghost,'' ''Green Card,'' ''Home Alone,'' ''Pretty Woman.''

Director: Bernardo Bertolucci, ''The Sheltering Sky''; Francis Ford Coppola, ''The Godfather Part III''; Kevin Costner, ''Dances With Wolves''; Barbet Schroeder, ''Reversal of Fortune''; Martin Scorsese, ''GoodFellas.''

Actress, drama: Kathy Bates, ''Misery''; Anjelica Huston, ''The Grifters''; Michelle Pfeiffer, ''The Russia House''; Susan Sarandon, ''White Palace''; Joanne Woodward, ''Mr. & Mrs. Bridge.''

Actor, drama: Kevin Costner, ''Dances With Wolves''; Richard Harris, ''The Field''; Jeremy Irons, ''Reversal of Fortune''; Al Pacino, ''The Godfather Part III''; Robin Williams, ''Awakenings.''

Actress, comedy: Mia Farrow, ''Alice''; Andie MacDowell, ''Green Card''; Demi Moore, ''Ghost''; Julia Roberts, ''Pretty Woman''; Meryl Streep, ''Postcards from the Edge.''

Actor, comedy: Macaulay Culkin, ''Home Alone''; Gerard Depardieu, ''Green Card''; Johnny Depp, ''Edward Scissorhands''; Richard Gere, ''Pretty Woman''; Patrick Swayze, ''Ghost.''

Foreign language film: ''Cyrano de Bergerac,'' France; ''Akira Kurosawa's Dreams,'' Japan; ''The Nasty Girl,'' Germany; ''Requiem for Dominci,'' Austria.

Supporting actress: Lorraine Bracco, ''GoodFellas''; Whoopi Goldberg, ''Ghost''; Diane Ladd, ''Wild at Heart''; Shirley MacLaine, ''Postcards from the Edge''; Mary McConnell, ''Dances With Wolves''; Winona Ryder, ''Mermaids.''

Supporting actor: Armand Assante, ''Q&A''; Bruce Davison, ''Longtime Companion''; Hector Elizondo, ''Pretty Woman''; Andy Garcia, ''The ''

Screenplay: Michael Blake, ''Dances With Wolves''; Nicholas Kazan, ''Reversal of Fortune''; Barry Levinson, ''Avalon''; Nicholas Pileggi & Martin Scorsese, ''GoodFellas''; Mario Puzo & Francis Ford Coppola, ''The Godfather Part III.''

Original score: Randy Newman, ''Avalon''; John Barry, ''Dances With Wolves''; Carmine Coppola, ''The Godfather Part III''; Dave Grusin, ''Havana''; Ryuichi Sakamoto & Richard Horowitz, ''The Sheltering Sky.''

Original song: Jon Bon Jovi, ''Blaze of Glory'' from ''Young Guns II''; Shel Silverstein, ''I'm Checking Out'' from ''Postcards from the Edge''; Carmine Coppola & John Bettis, ''Promise Me You'll Remember'' from ''The Godfather Part III''; Stephen Sondheim, ''Sooner or Later'' from ''Dick Tracy''; Stephen Sondheim, ''What Can You Lose'' from ''Dick Tracy.''

Television nominees were as follows:

Drama series: ''China Beach,'' ''In the Heat of the Night,'' ''L.A. Law,'' ''thirtysomething,'' ''Twin Peaks.''

Comedy series: ''Cheers,'' ''Designing Women,'' ''The Golden Girls,'' ''Married ... With Children,'' ''Murphy Brown.''

Actress, drama: Dana Delany, ''China Beach''; Susan Dey, ''L.A. Law''; Jill Eikenberry, ''L.A. Law''; Sharon Gless, ''The Trials of Rosie O'Neill''; Angela Lansbury, ''Murder, She Wrote''; Patricia Wettig, ''thirtysomething.''

' ''Roseanne''; Candice Bergen, ''Murphy Brown''; Carol Burnett, ''Carol & Company''; Katey Sagal, ''Married ... With Children.''

Actor, drama: Scott Bakula, ''Quantum Leap''; Peter Falk, ''Saturday Night Mystery Series''; James Earl Jones, ''Gabriel's Fire''; Kyle Maclachlan, ''Twin Peaks''; Carroll O'Connor, ''In the Heat of the Night.''

Actor, comedy: Ted Danson, ''Cheers''; John Goodman, ''Roseanne''; Richard Mulligan, ''Empty Nest''; Burt Reynolds, ''Evening Shade''; Fred Savage, ''The Wonder Years.''

Mini-series or TV film: ''Caroline?'' ''Decoration Day,'' Family of ''

Actress, mini-series or TV film: Barbara Hershey, ''A Killing in a Small Town''; Annette O'Toole, ''The Kennedys of Massachusetts''; Suzanne Pleshette,

''Leona Helmsley: The Queen of Mean''; Lesley Ann Warren, ''Family of Spies''; Stephanie Zimbalist, ''Caroline?''

Actor, mini-series or TV film: Steven Bauer, ''Drug Wars: The Camarena Story''; Michael Caine, ''Jekyll & Hyde''; James Garner, ''Decoration Day''; Tom Hulce, ''Murder in Mississippi''; Burt Lancaster, ''The Phantom of the Opera''; Rick Schroder, ''The Stranger Within.''

Supporting actress, series or TV film: Sherilyn Fenn, ''Twin Peaks''; Faith Ford, ''Murphy Brown''; Marg Helgenberger, ''China Beach''; Piper Laurie, ''Twin Peaks''; Park Overall, ''Empty Nest.''

Supporting actor, series or TV film: Charles Durning, ''The Kennedys of Massachusetts''; Barry Miller, ''Equal Justice''; Jimmy Smits, ''L.A. Law''; Dean Stockwell, ''Quantum Leap''; Blair Underwood, ''L.A. Law.''

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LOS ANGELES (DEC. 27) UPI - Entertainment giant MCA Inc. took some of the final steps Thursday toward completing Matsushita Electric Industrial Co.'s $6.6 billion buyout of the company.

The deal, the largest acquisition of an American company by a Japanese concern could be finalized as early as next week. It will give Matsushita, the world's largest consumer electronics company, an impressive array of American assets, including Universal Studios theme parks, Universal Pictures, MCA Television, G.P. Putnam's Sons publishing and 420 acres in Hollywood.

MCA said Thursday that it had filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the spin-off of its WWOR-TV station to shareholders, as had been planned.

Shareholders will receive stock in the new publicly traded company called Pinelands Inc., with its shares traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

MCA also said it was in the process of notifying the holders of its 92.8 million shares of the Pinelands distribution.

Matsushita, as a foreign company, is barred from owning more than 20 percent of a U.S. television station. MCA bought WWOR, an independent TV-cable ''superstation'' based in Seacaucus, N.J., for $387 million in 1987.

The spin-off of the station will take place immediately prior to consummation of Matsushita's $66-a-share cash tender offer for MCA. Analysts had said WWOR would be worth between $3 and $5 a share and could be sold to another major media-entertainment company such as Walt Disney Co. or Paramount Communications.

In a separate announcement, Matsushita said Thursday that it would not extend the tender offer, which is scheduled to expire on Saturday at 12:01 a.m., New York time.

MCA spokeswoman Christine Hanson said the new Pinelands Inc. stock could begin trading without certificates _ also known as a ''when- issued'' basis _ as early as next Monday.

MCA's stock has been gaining this week as investors become more assured the deal will go through. That confidence was bolstered by disclosures that the Federal Communications Commission had approved the spin-off and the European Economic Community announcement that it would not extend a deadline to investigate the deal.

MCA gained 25 cents Monday and 37.5 cents Wednesday, then rose $0.625 to close at $68.50 a share Thursday on the New York Stock Exchange.

One analyst said that the stock could rise even further before the deal is completed.

''Now that the deal seems likely to go through, it appears that people are trying to value the television station at about $3 to $3.50 a share,'' said entertainment analyst Jeffrey Logsdon of Seidler Amdec Securities in Los Angeles.

MCA has settled all but one of a half-dozen shareholder suits filed in opposition to the deal, and a hearing has been set for Friday in Los Angeles on the remaining litigation.

There is one other potential roadblock to closing the deal _ the disposition of MCA's Yosemite Park & Curry Co. concession. Matsushita has pledged to sell the unit within a year, but Secretary of the Interior Manuel Lujan has asked that it be donated, despite its price tag of $100 million to $200 million.

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SALT LAKE CITY (DEC. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Research Industries Corp. (NASDAQ:REIC) Friday confirmed that it has been invited to present at the upcoming Hambrecht & Quist Life Sciences Conference on Jan. 8 in San Francisco.

The presentation will focus on the firm's rapid expanding participation in the Cardioplegia (heart cooling) product line, as well as the recently approved open heart surgery circuitry catheters that will be introduced to the market in the second half of this fiscal year.

Also to be reviewed is the progress of the firm's proprietary Heparin Removal

Filter device and the ongoing progress in the FDA review
of its New Drug Application for the Herpid tropical antiviral.

Given higher than projected revenue growth in the second quarter just ending, a corporate spokesperson indicated the firm anticipates a record earnings performance in the second quarter.

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SALT LAKE CITY (DEC. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - At the annual shareholders' meeting of the S.N.L. Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: SNFCA) held in Salt Lake City on Dec. 27, the shareholders elected George R. Quist, William C. Sargent, R.A.F. McCormick, Charles L. Crittenden, Sherman B. Lowe, Richard E. Myers, Scott M. Quist, W. Lowell Steen and Nathan H. Wagstaff as Directors to serve until the next annual shareholders' meeting or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Additionally, the shareholders approved the Amendment of the Articles of Incorporation of the company to change the name from S.N.L. Financial Corp. to Security National Financial Corp. The new stock symbol is SNFCA on NASDAQ.

The shareholders ratified the selection of KPMG Peat Marwick & Co. as certified public accountants for the company for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31.

Following the annual shareholders meeting, at the board of directors meeting a 5 percent stock dividend was declared for both the Class A and Class C shares with a record date of Jan. 31 and a payable date of Feb. 20.

If there are any questions, please contact William L. Sargent or Scott M. Quist at Security National Financial Corp., P.O. Box 57220, Salt Lake City 84157. Phone 801/264-1060. Fax 801/265-9882.

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#90362b0329 12/28/1990 ~Business Wire
SAN FRANCISCO (DEC. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - A new cold wave settling on California this weekend, combined with earlier record low December temperatures, has sent natural gas and electricity usage to record levels, setting the stage for higher PG&E bills in the days ahead, Pacific Gas and Electric Co. said Friday.

PG&E's 3.4 million natural gas customers used almost 4.1 billion cubic feet of natural gas on Friday, Dec. 21, breaking a record that had stood for almost 19 years. Residential gas use for the month of December is expected to be the heaviest for any month in PG&E history, and twice as high as December 1989.

Electric use has also been heavy. On Dec. 20, peak electric demand hit 15.1 million kilowatts, an all-time fall-winter season record for PG&E's northern and central California service area.

''Each year, our customers' bills for December are among the highest of the year because of cold weather and the extra energy that is used for cooking, lighting and other purposes during the holiday season,'' said John Keyser, PG&E vice president - marketing and customer services. ''For this December, they will be substantially higher than usual, due to the weather.''

Should any customers need to make special arrangements to pay their bills, Keyser advised them to contact their local PG&E offices. The telephone number of the office to call is on each customer's bill.

Actual bills will vary widely, depending on the size of the residence, the type of insulation installed, the number of people in the household, thermostat settings, and other factors.

Special PG&E programs to assist customers include these:

-- Project REACH provides financial assistance for customers unable to pay their bills because of low income or disability. REACH is funded by PG&E shareholders and voluntary customer and employee contributions. Call either PG&E or the Salvation Army for information.

-- Medical Baseline: Customers can apply for increased baseline quantities if they are suffering from a medical disability.

-- Low-income customers who qualify for PG&E's Low-Income Rate Assistance Program (LIRA) can get a 15 percent discount on their monthly energy bill.

Customers can limit the impact of cold weather on their bills by practicing energy efficiency at every opportunity, Keyser said. Customers can save as much as 20 percent on heating bills by keeping thermostats at 68 degrees during the day and turning them to 55 or off at night, if health and comfort permit.

PG&E has always offered assistance in managing energy use, and the company has recently stepped up its energy efficiency programs. All PG&E customers -- residential, commercial, industrial and agricultural -- can benefit because there are programs tailored for each segment.

PG&E assistance to residential customers includes advice for do-it-yourself efforts, such as:

-- Ask your local PG&E office for a Do-It-Yourself Home Energy Survey. Fill it out and return it to PG&E and a customized report will be sent showing exactly where energy and money can be saved.

-- Heating costs can be cut by up to 25 percent by installing ceiling insulation if not already installed, or by increasing the insulation if there is not enough.

-- Heating bills can also be trimmed by as much as 10 percent if the homwowner weatherstrips doors and windows and caulks windows, door frames, pipes and ducts.

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NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA (DEC. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Ventura Entertainment Group Ltd. (NASDAQ:VEGG) announced a final extension for the time in which its B Warrants can be exercised at the adjusted price of $2 per Warrant.

The B Warrants are now exercisable at the adjusted price through Feb. 15 and this time will not be extended.

Ventura Entertainment Group Ltd. is a fully integrated entertainment production company which, directly and through its subsidiaries, produces television commercials, develops and produces network, cable and syndicated TV series, mini-series, MOWs, theatrical motion pictures, music/variety specials and live events for the domestic and international marketplace.

The company also produces and publishes music, and owns the Ventura Media Center in Orem, Utah, one of the largest production facilities outside of Los Angeles.

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PENNSAUKEN, NJ (DEC. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Brian R. Esher, president and chief executive officer of Environmental Control Group Inc. (NASDAQ:ECGI) has informed the company's board of directors of his intention to leave the company early in 1991.

When Esher joined ECG in the fall of 1989, it was experiencing losses, and he began a complete reorganization of the company. The company posted losses of $5.7 million that year, which caused technical defaults under its loan agreement with its banks. In 1990, the company has reported profits for each of the first three quarters, and the technical defaults in the loan have been eliminated.

Esher said, ''The company's balance sheet has been strengthened, and we have had good relations with the banks. In December, for instance, we reached a new low in our level of bank debt, which is now below $5 million.

''Fourteen months ago when I joined ECG, it was almost $16 million.'' Esher said he would now like to move on to explore other opportunities.

''The fact that the company has been able to operate profitably and maintain positive cash flow during the first three quarters of 1990, a time of industry downturn and general economic recession, reflects well on the ECG management team,'' Esher said. ''I believe this team will move through this orderly transition with the same competence and dedication they have demonstrated so far this year.''

Esher's announcement comes after the company's earlier announcement that its chief financial officer, Anthony J. Gurley, had also been named chief operating officer and assumed responsibility for the daily planning and administrative operations of all ECG subsidiaries. The board of directors is currently seeking a new CEO.

ECG provides a broad range of products and services related to the control and abatement of solid hazardous wastes in commercial, industrial and public buildings.

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NORTHBROOK, IL and FREMONT, CA (DEC. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - General Binding Corp. (NASDAQ:GBND) and VeloBind Inc. (NASDAQ:VBND), announced Friday the postponement of the planned Dec. 28, 1990, closing of the merger of VeloBind and a wholly owned GBC subsidiary.

The parties were informed by the Justice Department that if they were to proceed with their planned merger at this time, that based upon the Department's review to date, it had been determined that it would seek an injunction to prevent consummation of the transaction. The parties expressed

puzzlement at the Justice Department's determination and expressed their intention to engage in further discussions with the Department to reach an acceptable resolution of the Department's concerns.

The two companies had previously announced on Sept. 24, 1990, that they had entered into a merger agreement under which GBND would acquire VBND for an aggregate consideration of $50 million, or $9.77 per VBND share.

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NEW CASTLE, IN (DEC. 4) BUSINESS WIRE - Paul W. Prior, chairman of the board of Ameriana Bancorp (NASDAQ/NMS:ASBI), Friday announced that he will retire as chief executive officer of Ameriana Bancorp and its subsidiaries effective Dec. 31, 1990.

Prior, who is 69 years of age, has served as chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Ameriana Savings Bank since Jan. 1, 1973, and has held similar positions with Ameriana Bancorp, the holding company for Ameriana Savings Bank, since its formation in 1989.

Prior will continue to serve as chairman of Ameriana's board of directors. In addition, Prior has been retained by Ameriana Bancorp as a consultant to assist the company with its strategic planning efforts.

As a result of Prior's retirement, Ameriana's board of directors has appointed Harry J. Bailey, currently president and chief operating officer of the company, to the additional post of chief executive officer.

Bailey, an attorney, joined Ameriana Savings Bank in 1984 as executive vice president and chief operating officer after having served as a consultant to financial institutions and as an operations officer for a Chicago-area savings institution.

He was appointed to the board of directors of Ameriana Savings Bank and Ameriana Bancorp in 1987 and 1989, respectively. In May 1990, Bailey became president of Ameriana Bancorp and its subsidiaries.

Bailey received both his undergraduate and law degrees from DePaul University. He is a director and a member of the executive committee of the New Castle/Henry County Economic Development Corp. and is a trustee and vice chairman of the Henry County Academy for Community Leadership.

Additionally, Bailey holds leadership positions with the New Castle Area Chamber of Commerce and the New Castle Heritage in Progress Corp., and is a member of the New Castle Rotary Club.

In the past he has served as a committee chairman for the Illinois Savings and Loan League and has been active in local civic organizations.

Ameriana Bancorp, through its wholly owned subsidiary, Ameriana Savings Bank, offers an extensive line of banking services to the east central Indiana area through offices in New Castle, Knightstown, Middletown and Greenfield.

In addition to banking services, Ameriana, through Ameriana Financial Services Inc., has an interest in a life insurance company headquartered in New Orleans, owns Thalls-Ameriana, a full-service insurance agency in New Castle, and provides a full line of investments and securities products in its brokerage center.

The common stock of Ameriana Bancorp is traded in the National Market System under the NASDAQ symbol ASBI.

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#90362b0637 12/28/1990 ~Business Wire

CHATTANOOGA, TN (DEC. 28) BUSINESS WIRE - Vernon W. Cox, chairman of the board of Inter Federal Savings Bank (NASDAQ/NMS:IFED), Friday announced the election of W. Allan Jones to the board of directors of the bank.

Jones, of Cleveland, Tenn., is the owner of Credit Bureau Services Inc., with offices in Chattanooga, Cleveland, Nashville, Memphis, Tullahoma, Murfreesboro and Cookeville, Tenn., as well as Dalton, Ga.

Jones serves as a trustee of Cleveland State Community College Foundation and is a director of the Cleveland Family YMCA. He is president and a director of Mainstreet-Cleveland, which promotes the conservation and revitalization of downtown Cleveland.

He has long been active in civic endeavors, including the United Way and the Kiwanis Club. He is a memober of the Broad Street Methodist Church. Jones operates a 400-acre farm in Bradley County and resides in Cleveland with his wife, Janie and their three children.

Inter Federal operates nine full-service offices, including locations in Chattanooga, Signal Mountain, Rossville and South Pittsburg, Tenn., and Summerville, Ga.

Other members of Inter Fed's board of directors, in addition to Cox, are Earl A. Marler, Marble J. Hensley, Walter D. Schultz, Don W. Bowman and C.A. Parks.

The bank's stock is traded in the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol IFED.

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